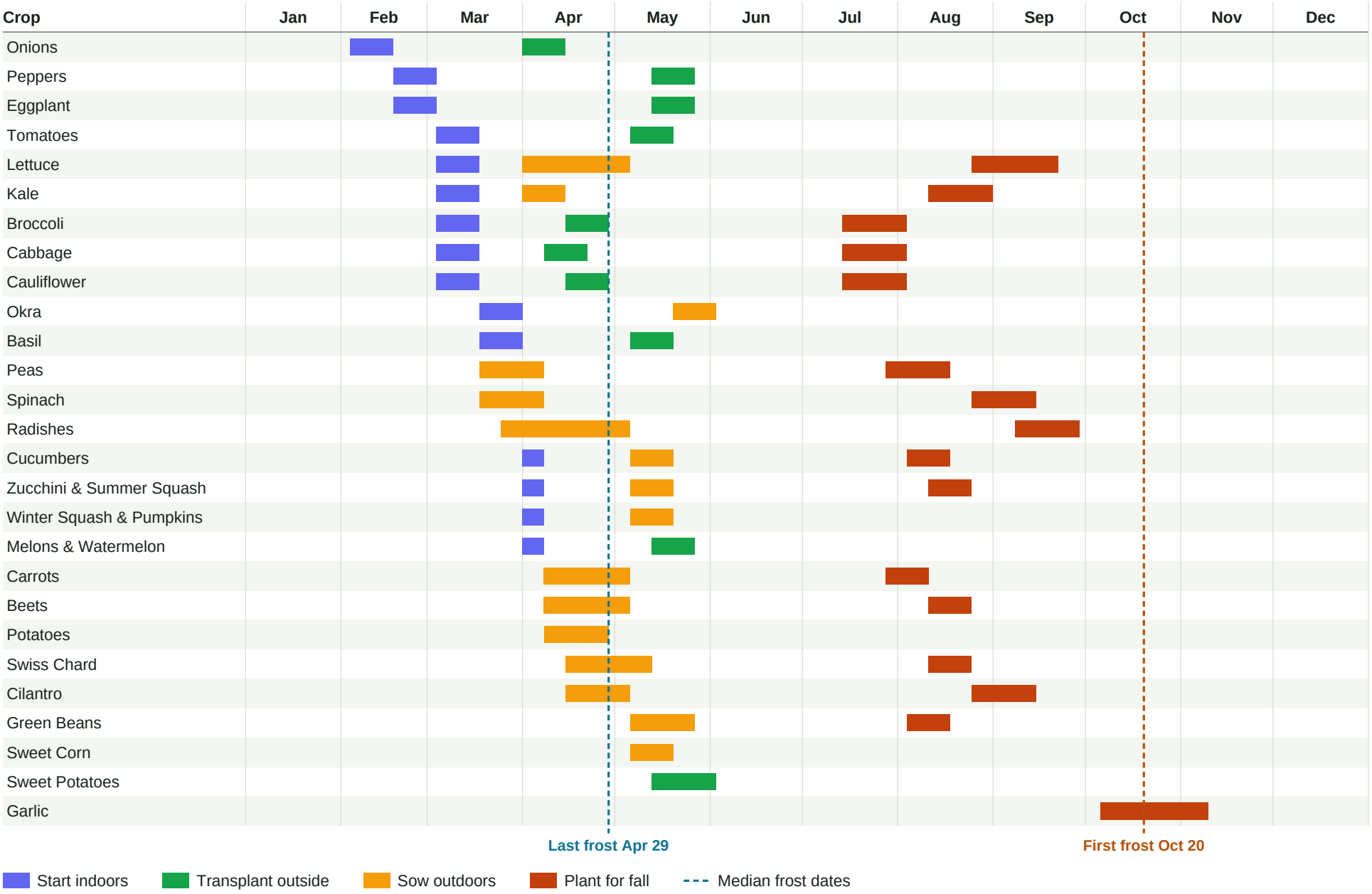
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Crop	Start indoors	Transplant outside	Sow outdoors	Plant for fall
Onions	Feb 4 – Feb 18	Apr 1 – Apr 15	—	—
Peppers	Feb 18 – Mar 4	May 13 – May 27	—	—
Eggplant	Feb 18 – Mar 4	May 13 – May 27	—	—
Tomatoes	Mar 4 – Mar 18	May 6 – May 20	—	—
Lettuce	Mar 4 – Mar 18	Apr 8 – Apr 22	Apr 1 – May 6	Aug 25 – Sep 22
Kale	Mar 4 – Mar 18	Apr 1 – Apr 15	Apr 1 – Apr 15	Aug 11 – Sep 1
Broccoli	Mar 4 – Mar 18	Apr 15 – Apr 29	—	Jul 14 – Aug 4
Cabbage	Mar 4 – Mar 18	Apr 8 – Apr 22	—	Jul 14 – Aug 4
Cauliflower	Mar 4 – Mar 18	Apr 15 – Apr 29	—	Jul 14 – Aug 4
Okra	Mar 18 – Apr 1	May 20 – Jun 3	May 20 – Jun 3	—
Basil	Mar 18 – Apr 1	May 6 – May 20	—	—
Peas	—	—	Mar 18 – Apr 8	Jul 28 – Aug 18
Spinach	—	—	Mar 18 – Apr 8	Aug 25 – Sep 15
Radishes	—	—	Mar 25 – May 6	Sep 8 – Sep 29
Cucumbers	Apr 1 – Apr 8	May 13 – May 20	May 6 – May 20	Aug 4 – Aug 18
Zucchini & Summer Squash	Apr 1 – Apr 8	—	May 6 – May 20	Aug 11 – Aug 25
Winter Squash & Pumpkins	Apr 1 – Apr 8	—	May 6 – May 20	—
Melons & Watermelon	Apr 1 – Apr 8	May 13 – May 27	—	—
Carrots	—	—	Apr 8 – May 6	Jul 28 – Aug 11
Beets	—	—	Apr 8 – May 6	Aug 11 – Aug 25
Potatoes	—	—	Apr 8 – Apr 29	—
Swiss Chard	—	—	Apr 15 – May 13	Aug 11 – Aug 25
Cilantro	—	—	Apr 15 – May 6	Aug 25 – Sep 15
Green Beans	—	—	May 6 – May 27	Aug 4 – Aug 18
Sweet Corn	—	—	May 6 – May 20	—
Sweet Potatoes	—	May 13 – Jun 3	—	—
Garlic	—	—	—	Oct 6 – Nov 10

Wait until after May 15 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.