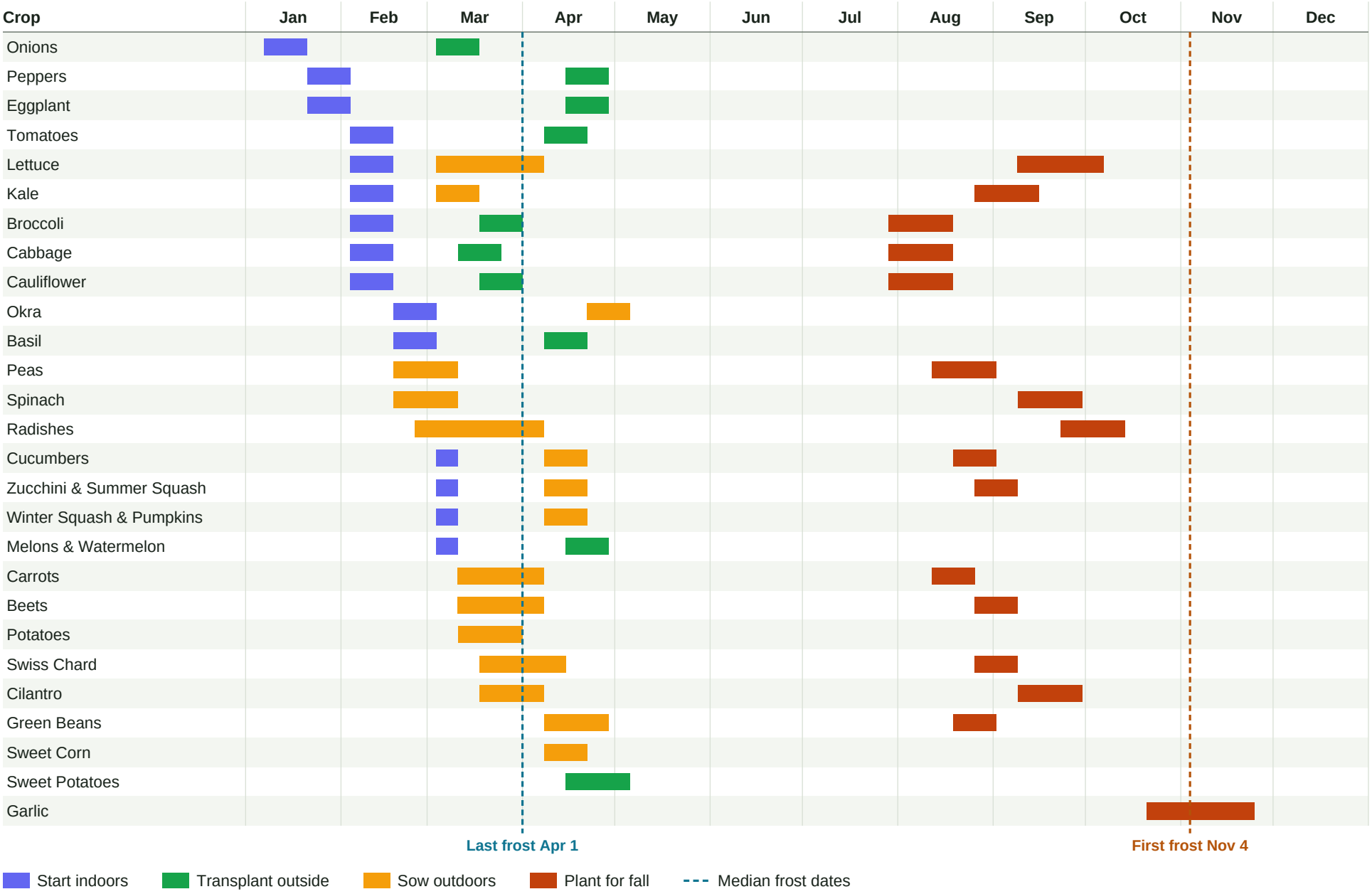
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Crop	Start indoors	Transplant outside	Sow outdoors	Plant for fall
Onions	Jan 7 – Jan 21	Mar 4 – Mar 18	—	—
Peppers	Jan 21 – Feb 4	Apr 15 – Apr 29	—	—
Eggplant	Jan 21 – Feb 4	Apr 15 – Apr 29	—	—
Tomatoes	Feb 4 – Feb 18	Apr 8 – Apr 22	—	—
Lettuce	Feb 4 – Feb 18	Mar 11 – Mar 25	Mar 4 – Apr 8	Sep 9 – Oct 7
Kale	Feb 4 – Feb 18	Mar 4 – Mar 18	Mar 4 – Mar 18	Aug 26 – Sep 16
Broccoli	Feb 4 – Feb 18	Mar 18 – Apr 1	—	Jul 29 – Aug 19
Cabbage	Feb 4 – Feb 18	Mar 11 – Mar 25	—	Jul 29 – Aug 19
Cauliflower	Feb 4 – Feb 18	Mar 18 – Apr 1	—	Jul 29 – Aug 19
Okra	Feb 18 – Mar 4	Apr 22 – May 6	Apr 22 – May 6	—
Basil	Feb 18 – Mar 4	Apr 8 – Apr 22	—	—
Peas	—	—	Feb 18 – Mar 11	Aug 12 – Sep 2
Spinach	—	—	Feb 18 – Mar 11	Sep 9 – Sep 30
Radishes	—	—	Feb 25 – Apr 8	Sep 23 – Oct 14
Cucumbers	Mar 4 – Mar 11	Apr 15 – Apr 22	Apr 8 – Apr 22	Aug 19 – Sep 2
Zucchini & Summer Squash	Mar 4 – Mar 11	—	Apr 8 – Apr 22	Aug 26 – Sep 9
Winter Squash & Pumpkins	Mar 4 – Mar 11	—	Apr 8 – Apr 22	—
Melons & Watermelon	Mar 4 – Mar 11	Apr 15 – Apr 29	—	—
Carrots	—	—	Mar 11 – Apr 8	Aug 12 – Aug 26
Beets	—	—	Mar 11 – Apr 8	Aug 26 – Sep 9
Potatoes	—	—	Mar 11 – Apr 1	—
Swiss Chard	—	—	Mar 18 – Apr 15	Aug 26 – Sep 9
Cilantro	—	—	Mar 18 – Apr 8	Sep 9 – Sep 30
Green Beans	—	—	Apr 8 – Apr 29	Aug 19 – Sep 2
Sweet Corn	—	—	Apr 8 – Apr 22	—
Sweet Potatoes	—	Apr 15 – May 6	—	—
Garlic	—	—	—	Oct 21 – Nov 25

Wait until after Apr 18 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.