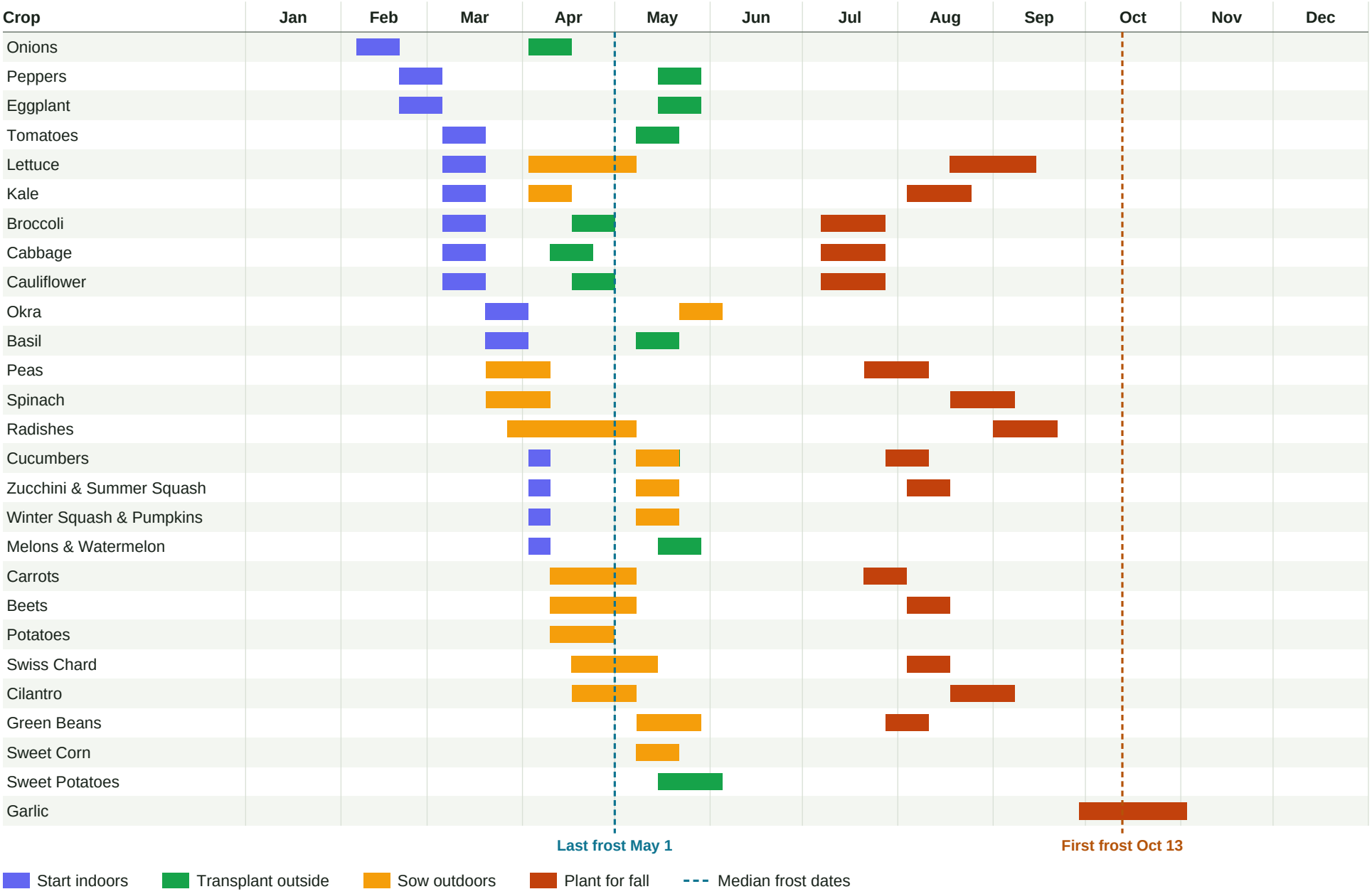
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Crop	Start indoors	Transplant outside	Sow outdoors	Plant for fall
Onions	Feb 6 – Feb 20	Apr 3 – Apr 17	—	—
Peppers	Feb 20 – Mar 6	May 15 – May 29	—	—
Eggplant	Feb 20 – Mar 6	May 15 – May 29	—	—
Tomatoes	Mar 6 – Mar 20	May 8 – May 22	—	—
Lettuce	Mar 6 – Mar 20	Apr 10 – Apr 24	Apr 3 – May 8	Aug 18 – Sep 15
Kale	Mar 6 – Mar 20	Apr 3 – Apr 17	Apr 3 – Apr 17	Aug 4 – Aug 25
Broccoli	Mar 6 – Mar 20	Apr 17 – May 1	—	Jul 7 – Jul 28
Cabbage	Mar 6 – Mar 20	Apr 10 – Apr 24	—	Jul 7 – Jul 28
Cauliflower	Mar 6 – Mar 20	Apr 17 – May 1	—	Jul 7 – Jul 28
Okra	Mar 20 – Apr 3	May 22 – Jun 5	May 22 – Jun 5	—
Basil	Mar 20 – Apr 3	May 8 – May 22	—	—
Peas	—	—	Mar 20 – Apr 10	Jul 21 – Aug 11
Spinach	—	—	Mar 20 – Apr 10	Aug 18 – Sep 8
Radishes	—	—	Mar 27 – May 8	Sep 1 – Sep 22
Cucumbers	Apr 3 – Apr 10	May 15 – May 22	May 8 – May 22	Jul 28 – Aug 11
Zucchini & Summer Squash	Apr 3 – Apr 10	—	May 8 – May 22	Aug 4 – Aug 18
Winter Squash & Pumpkins	Apr 3 – Apr 10	—	May 8 – May 22	—
Melons & Watermelon	Apr 3 – Apr 10	May 15 – May 29	—	—
Carrots	—	—	Apr 10 – May 8	Jul 21 – Aug 4
Beets	—	—	Apr 10 – May 8	Aug 4 – Aug 18
Potatoes	—	—	Apr 10 – May 1	—
Swiss Chard	—	—	Apr 17 – May 15	Aug 4 – Aug 18
Cilantro	—	—	Apr 17 – May 8	Aug 18 – Sep 8
Green Beans	—	—	May 8 – May 29	Jul 28 – Aug 11
Sweet Corn	—	—	May 8 – May 22	—
Sweet Potatoes	—	May 15 – Jun 5	—	—
Garlic	—	—	—	Sep 29 – Nov 3

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