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Suggested Vegetable Planting Dates For the Wasatch Front

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Listed below are suggested vegetable planting dates for an average year along the Wasatch Front. Of course, each season has its own unique weather conditions. The "Average Planting Date" is for the initial planting. With crops such as broccoli, radish, carrot, sweet corn, and Swiss chard, several plantings can be made a few weeks apart and later than the average planting date.

The average date of the last spring frost will vary with location and elevation. Listed below are the 30-year average last frost dates for various cities.

City	Average Last Frost*
Bountiful - Val Verda	April 17
Farmington	May 5
Midvale	May 13
Ogden	<i>May 3</i>
Provo - Airport	May 21
Provo - BYU	May 1
Salt Lake City – Airport	April 26
Salt Lake City – U of U	May 1
Salt Lake County –	
Cottonwood Weir	April 30
Tooele	May 7
Tremonton	May 3

^{*}For more information on freeze dates and Utah's climate, go to http://climate.usu.edu

Group A: Hardy

(Plant as soon as the soil dries out in the spring.)

Average Planting Date: March 1 – April 15

Artichoke Cabbage Radish
Asparagus Kohlrabi Rhubarb
Broccoli Onions Spinach
Brussels Sprouts Peas Turnip

Group B: Semi-Hardy

(Plant a week or two after "A" group or about two weeks before average last spring frost.)

Average Planting Date: March 20 – May 1

Beet Lettuce Potato

Carrot Parsley Salsify

Cauliflower Parsnip Swiss Chard

Endive

Group C: Tender

(Plant on the average date of the last spring frost—about when first apples reach full bloom.)

Average Planting Date: May 5 – June 1

Celery Snap Bean Cucumber Spinach

Dry Bean Summer Squash
New Zealand Sweet Corn

Group D: Very Tender

(Plant when the soil is warm, about two weeks after "C" group.)

Average Planting Date: May 20 -June 10

Cantaloupe Pumpkin
Eggplant Tomato
Lima Bean Watermelon
Pepper Winter Squash

Group E: Special Plants for Fall Harvest

Average Planting Date **Beets** July 1 – August 1 Cabbage May 1 – July 15 Kale July 1 – August 15 Lettuce June 1 – August 1 Onion August 1 – August 10 Rutabaga June 15 – July 1 Spinach July 1 – August 15 Turnip July 1 – August 1

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