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FIRST SEEDING AND TRANSPLANTING DATES FOR VEGETABLES IN NEW YORK

As early as garden may be worked in	After the date of the last average frost in	After the soil has become warm in Spring	
Spring or about April 15.	Ithaca area May 14.	June 1.	
Beets	Beans	Basil	
Broccoli (x)	Eggplant*	Cucumber	
Brussels Sprouts (x)	Pepper*	Muskmelon*	
Cabbage(x)	Popcorn	Okra*	
Carrots	Potatoes	Pumpkins*	
Cauliflower (x)	Sweet Corn	Squashes, Summer	
Celery (x)	Tomatoes*	Squashes, Winter*	
Endive		Watermelon*	
Kale			
Kohlrabi			
Leeks			
Lettuce			
Mustard			
Onions +			
Parsley			
Peas			
Radish			
Swiss Chard			
Spinach			
Turnips			
Rutabagas			

- * Indicates variety is transplanted.
- (x) Indicates may be transplanted or seeded. If transplanted probably, should be transplanted later than date given.
- Indicates may be transplants, sets or seed.

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LAST SEEDING AND TRANSPLANTING DATES FOR VEGETABLES IN NEW YORK

Average First Fall Frost October 1

Questions often arise on how late a vegetable can be planted in the garden in New York State and still reach maturity or usable size before frost or cold weather stops growth. The last dates listed below for each crop are based on observations at Ithaca, NY. Most years the crop will reach the harvestable stage if planted by the date indicated, but yields of crops requiring multiple harvesting (tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, etc.) likely will be rather light unless the fall weather is warmer than normal, and first frosts are unusually late. In parts of New York where the fall weather averages milder than in Ithaca, planting a week to ten days later might be possible; for cooler areas move the dates 7-10 days earlier.

June 10	June 30	July 15	July 31	August 10	September 10
Beans, lima	Beans, pole snap	Beans, snap	Beets	Broccoli (early)*	Radish
Edible cowpeas	Brussels sprouts	Cabbage (medium)*	Broccoli (late)*	Cauliflower (early) *	
Herbs, most	Cabbage (late)	Carrots	Cabbage (early)*	Lettuce, leaf	
Muskmelons*	Celeriac	Cauliflower (late) *	Collards	Spinach	
Okra*	Celery*	Chinese cabbage	Endive	Turnip	
Popcorn	Eggplant*	Cucumbers	Kale		
Edible Soybeans	Leeks	Lettuce, head	Kohlrabi		
Tomatoes (late) *	Peppers	Lettuce, romaine	Lettuce, Bibb		
Watermelon*	Sweet corn (medium)	Onions, green	Mustard		
	Tomatoes (early)	Parsley	Peas		
		Parsnip	Radishes, Chinese		
		Rutabagas	Swiss chard		
		Squash, summer			
		Sweet corn (early)			

^{*} Indicates the crop normally is transplanted and the date is for setting transplants in the garden.

Notes:

- 1. Success at these last dates will vary for the district and the year.
- 2. Onions should be seeded by April 30 or transplanted by May 15.
- 3. Many crops normally transplanted can be seeded directly in the garden. These include broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, muskmelons and tomatoes. The last safe seeding is 2-3 weeks earlier than the transplant date shown above.
- 4. The early, medium, late in parenthesis refer to the variety. Early maturing varieties can be seeded later than slower growing late varieties.