Vegetable Seed Starting Chart Zone 2B-3 - The Prairies

The following are general recommendations based on a first frost free day of May 24. It's best to follow recommendations on seed pack (if provided) for how many weeks prior to May 24 seeds should be started. Visit www.gettystewart.com for more detailed planting information.

Vegetable	Start Indoors	Plant Outdoors
Basil	April 20	June 1
Beans – Bush & Pole	xx	May 24
Beans – Broad	xx	May 15
Beets	xx	May 15
Broccoli	April 15	May 15
Brussel Sprouts	March 25	May 15
Cabbage	April 15	May 15
Cantaloupe	May 5	June 1
Carrot	xx	May 10
Cauliflower	April 20	May 24
Corn	XX	May 24
Cucumber	May 5	June 1
Garlic	xx	Autumn
Kale	xx	May 15
Leeks	March 20	May 10
Lettuce	March 20	May 10
Onion (sets)	xx	May 10
Parsley	April 5	May 15
Parsnips	XX	May 10
Peas	XX	May 10
Peppers (hot)	March 5	June 1
Peppers (sweet)	March 15	June 1
Potatoes	XX	May 15
Pumpkins	May 1	June 1
Radish	XX	May 10
Spinach	XX	May 10
Swiss Chard	XX	May 15
Tomatoes	March 15	June 1
Watermelon	May 1	June 1
Zucchini	XX	May 24

Starting seeds indoors too early may lead to leggy or hard to manage plants. Planting outdoors in soil that is too cool can set transplants back, cause poor germination or risk frost damage.