

Issue 1 – April 22, 2026

Vegetable Crop Report



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Provincial Overview

To date there are no reports of vegetable crop seeding or field work in commercial vegetable fields in Manitoba.

In most vegetable production areas of Manitoba, the Percent Normal Precipitation this winter (November 1, 2025 to April 19, 2026) was below normal, while the Mean Temperature Difference (November 1, 2025 to April 19, 2026) was mostly between 1°C above and below normal (Figure 1).

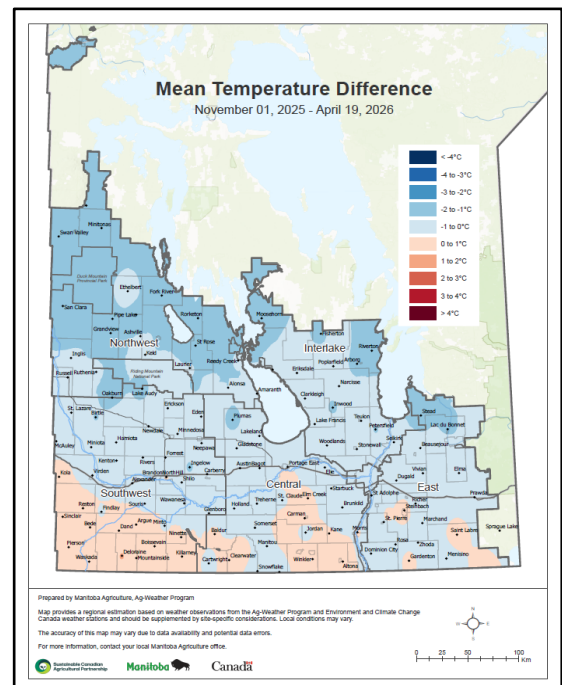
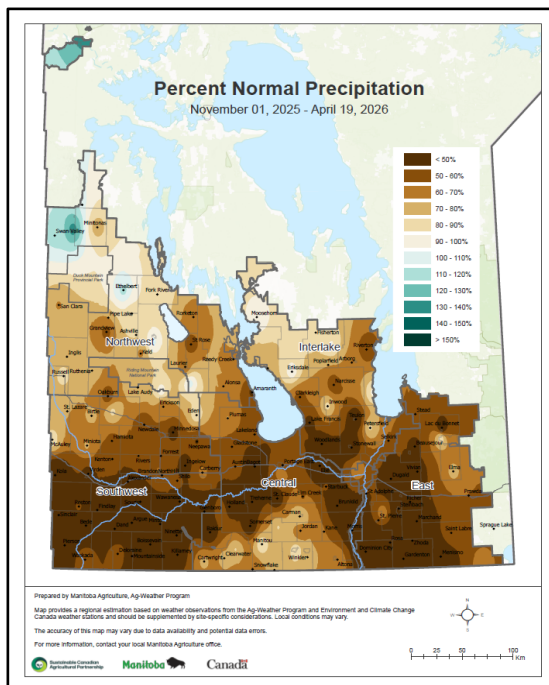


Figure 1. Percent Normal Precipitation and Mean Temperature Difference (November 1, 2025 to April 19, 2026)

For more detailed information on weather conditions within the province, see: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/weather/weather-conditions-and-reports.html>

Greenhouse seedling production, for transplanting to the field, began earlier this year. Dates of greenhouse seeding depends on the specific vegetable crop to be transplanted and the intended transplanting dates.

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Figure 2 and 3: Greenhouse Pepper and Cabbage Seedlings (April 16, 2026)

2026 Horticulture School – Save the Date

The 2026 Horticulture School will be held Thursday July 30, 2026 at Assiniboine College Brandon campus. Manitoba Agriculture and Assiniboine College staff will present hands-on training sessions in the field for vegetable and fruit crop production. For additional information please contact Tom Gonsalves at tom.gonsalves@gov.mb.ca or 204-750-1630. More details on registration to follow.

Agronomic & Production Information

Agronomic and production information for the more common field vegetable crops grown in Manitoba are on the [Manitoba Agriculture Vegetable Crop Webpage](#).

Manitoba Agriculture's Crop Diagnostic Lab

Samples of vegetable crop plants, weeds and/or insects can be submitted to the Manitoba Agriculture Crop Diagnostic Lab for analysis and identification. The lab is located at 201-545 University Crescent on the University of Manitoba campus in Winnipeg.

For **disease, insect damage, environmental stresses or pesticide drift** - complete the following form and submit along with the sample; <https://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/crops/crop-diagnostic-services/pubs/cds-disease-general-diagnostic-form.pdf>

For **insect or weed identification** – complete the following form and submit along with the sample; <https://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/crops/crop-diagnostic-services/pubs/cds-insect-weed-id-form.pdf>

This video outlines the protocols for collecting, packaging and submitting samples to Manitoba Agriculture's Crop Diagnostic Lab [Crop Diagnostic Lab Protocols](#)

Upcoming MASC Deadlines

Seeding/transplanting deadlines for insurable vegetable crops vary by vegetable crop type. Deadlines are listed in Figure 3 and found online at [MASC - Seeding Deadlines](#).

Figure 3: 2026 MASC Seeding/Transplanting Deadline Dates – Insurable Vegetable Crops		
Crop	Seeding Deadline	Extended Seeding Period
Beets (Small Farm Acreage Loss)	Planting: June 25	Planting: none
	Transplant: July 20	Transplant: none
Garlic (Small Farm Acreage Loss)	Planting: October 25	Planting: none
Lettuce (Small Farm Acreage Loss)	Planting: July 10	Transplant: July 30
Potatoes (Small Farm Acreage Loss)	Planting: June 15	Planting: June 20
Broccoli (V.A.L.)	Planting: June 30	Planting: none
	Transplant: July 15	Transplant: none
Cabbage (V.A.L.)	Planting: June 6	Planting: June 7 - June 11
	Transplant: July 15	Transplant: none
Carrots (V.A.L. and A.I.)	15-Jun	June 16 - June 20
Cauliflower (V.A.L.)	Planting: May 25	Planting: May 26 - May 30
	Transplant: July 15	Transplant: none
Onions - Cooking (A.I.) and Other (V.A.L.)	06-Jun	June 7 - June 11
Parsnips (V.A.L. and A.I.)	06-Jun	June 7 - June 11
Rutabagas (V.A.L. and A.I.)	20-Jun	none
Sweet Corn (V.A.L.)	10-Jun	June 11 - June 15
Peppers (V.A.L.)	Transplant: June 10	none
Leeks (V.A.L.)	Transplant: June 15	none
Pumpkins (V.A.L.)	Planting: June 6	June 7 - June 11
	Transplant: June 20	
Winter Squash (V.A.L.)	Planting: June 6	June 7 - June 11
	Transplant: June 20	

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