

Issue 2 – June 3, 2026

Vegetable Crop Report



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Provincial Overview

Vegetable transplanting and seeding continues. Most vegetable producers surveyed reported that seeding and transplanting was delayed by three to nine days versus their original planned starting dates. Most vegetable producers also reported that as of the end of May, their seeding and transplanting is either on schedule or is one to two days behind schedule. As of the end of May, vegetable producers surveyed have reported that they have completed between 70% and 90% of their planting. Vegetable producers surveyed reported that transplanting of large-scale fields of warm season crops, such as peppers and tomatoes, began in earnest the last week of May and is progressing well.



Figure 1. Carrot Planting May 29, 2026

The majority of the vegetable production areas of Manitoba have experienced under 50% of normal precipitation during the 2026 growing season from May 1 to May 31 (Figure 2). Vegetable producers surveyed reported that overnight on June 2 through June 3, there was extreme weather (heavy rain and wind) in some vegetable production areas of the province. Vegetable producers reported rainfall varied between approximately 0.5” to 1.5”. However, it is too early to quantify any effects from the rainfall and wind after this weather event. The percent of normal growing degree days (GDD) rose due to the high temperatures in the last week of May and there has now been between 100% and 115% of the normal number of GDD recorded in the majority of the vegetable production areas of the province from May 1 to May 31 (Figure 3). For more detailed information on the weather conditions within the province, please see [crop weather conditions and reports](#)

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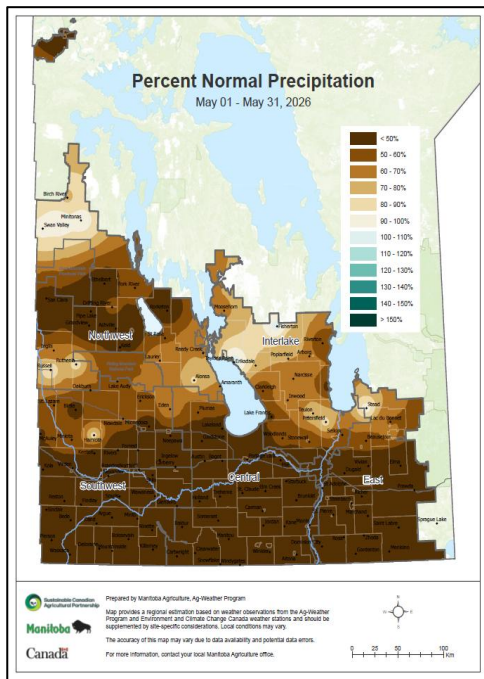


Figure 2. [Percent Normal Precipitation](#)
May 1 to May 31, 2026

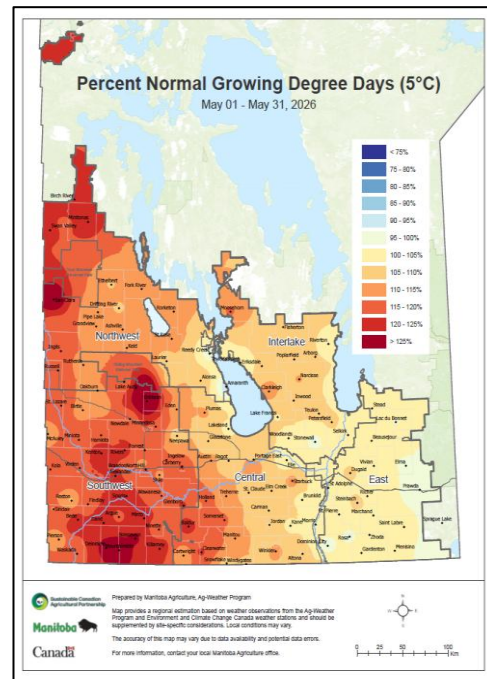


Figure 3. [Percent Normal Growing Degree Days](#)
May 1 to May 31, 2026

Asparagus producers reported that the start date of their first harvest in 2026 began slightly later than average. One asparagus producer reported wind damage to the spears in early to mid-May. A few asparagus producers reported there was localized frost damage in mid to late May that slowed up harvesting. With the elevated temperatures experienced in late May, several producers have reported that they have had to put in more hours to keep up with harvesting and one producer reported they added additional workers to keep up with the number of harvestable spears.



Figure 4. Asparagus Harvesting
May 29, 2026



Figure 5. Asparagus Spears
May 29, 2026

2026 Horticulture School

The 2026 Horticulture School will be held Thursday July 30, 2026 at Assiniboine College in Brandon on the North Hill campus. Manitoba Agriculture and Assiniboine College staff will present hands-on training sessions in the field for vegetable and fruit crop production.

Registration fee is \$40 and can be paid by cash, cheque or eTransfer.

Session topics include; Insect Pests & Diseases of Apples, Apple Pruning / Production, High Tunnel Fertility and Field Scouting for Insects.

To register, please email carmela.samaniego@gov.mb.ca

Detailed information can be found at: [Horticulture-School-2026](#) (Figure 6).

Horticulture School 2026

Thursday July 30, 2026
9:30 am to 2:30 pm
Assiniboine College, North Hill Campus
Greenhouse & Grow Plot Area
Brandon, MB

AGENDA

9:30 am - 10:00 am - Registration
10:00 am - 11:30 am - Morning Sessions
11:30 am - 12:30 pm - Lunch
12:30 pm - 2:15 pm - Afternoon Sessions
2:15 pm - 2:30 pm - Wrap-up & evaluation.

Sessions include: Insect Pests & Diseases of Apples
Apple Pruning / Production
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Field Scouting for Insects

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Cost to attend \$40 (includes lunch and refreshments).
Payment will be accepted by etransfer (payable to pfga@ccol@gmail.com), cash (on the day of event) or cheque (payable to PFGA).

CCA Credits Available

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Manitoba

Figure 6. 2026 Horticulture School

The 2026 Census of Agriculture

Every five years, the Census of Agriculture gives a statistical overview of Canada's agriculture sector. Farmers and farm operators were sent an invitation letter in May of 2026 with instructions on how to complete the 2026 Census of Agriculture questionnaire online. Responses from vegetable producers are important to provide an accurate assessment of Manitoba's vegetable industry. Please take the time to complete the questionnaire to support the vegetable crops segment of Manitoba's and Canada's agricultural industry. [2026 Census of Agriculture](#).

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