



Ontario Crops Research Centre – Bradford (Muck Station) IPM Forecasting 2026

Forecasting, weather and degree day information as of June 18

Standard Growing Degree Day Model (starting 1 April):

MODELS	CUMULATIVE DEGREE DAYS	DEGREE DAYS SINCE LAST REPORT
Growing degree days (DD base 5)	570	39

Insect Degree Day Models:

MODELS	CUMULATIVE DEGREE DAYS	THRESHOLD ONE	THRESHOLD TWO	COMMENTS:
CARROT RUST FLY (DD base 3)	702	Emergence at 329-395 DD (1 st gen)	Emergence at 1399-1711 DD (2 nd gen)	1 st gen activity
ONION MAGGOT (DD base 4)	634	Emergence at 210 DD (1 st gen)	Emergence at 1025 DD (2 nd gen)	1 st gen activity. Damage observed
CARROT WEEVIL (DD base 7)	449	Egg laying starts at 138-156 DD	Egg laying 90% complete at 455 DD	Activity. Nearing end of egg laying period.
ASTER LEAFHOPPER (DD base 9)	343	Nymphs emerge at 128 DD	Adults emerge at 390 DD	Activity
TARNISHED PLANT BUG (DD base 12)	210	Activity can start at 40 DD		Activity expected
CABBAGE MAGGOT (DD base 6)	508	Emergence at 314 DD (1 st gen)	Emergence at 847 DD (2 nd gen)	Activity
SEEDCORN MAGGOT (DD base 4)	634	Emergence at 200 DD (1 st gen)	Emergence at 600 DD (2 nd gen)	Activity



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Disease Forecasting:

Disease model	Cumulative DSI	Change since last report	Comments
BOTCAST (Botrytis leaf blight)	43	+6	Low risk
DOWNCAST (Onion downy mildew)	No sporulation-infection periods	-	Low risk
BSPCAST (Stemphylium leaf blight)	Conditions have been favourable on 2/3 days	Increase	Moderate risk
White Rot on Onions	5	+2	Moderate risk
Sclerotinia (White Mold) on Carrot	0	-	Low risk
TOMCAST (General conditions for disease)	46	+6	Moderate risk
BREMCAS (Lettuce downy mildew)	Sporulation-infection periods on 3/3 days	Increase	High risk

Daily Weather

Date (June)	Max temperature (°C)	Min temperature (°C)	Rain (mm)
15	20.7	8.1	0.0
16	24.4	10.4	5.0
17	22.9	13.8	0.8

Soil Temperature over the last 24 hours (°C): 5cm: 17.4



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