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Elevations for Washington County

City	Elevation	Spring Freeze Date	Fall Freeze Date	City	Elevation	Spring Freeze Date	Fall Freeze Date
Apple Valley	4695	5/5	10/1	*New Harmony	5310	5/11	10/10
Beaver Dam	2450	3/26	11/5	Pine Valley	6527	6/12	9/5
Bloomington	2575	3/30	11/1	Pinto	6052	6/5	9/10
Central	5304	5/11	10/10	Pintura	4100	4/15	11/4
Colorado City, AZ	5041	5/8	10/5	Rockville	3729	4/15	11/4
Dameron Valley	4625	5/5	10/1	*St. George	2624	3/30	11/1
*Enterprise	5346	6/8	9/14	Santa Clara	2788	4/5	10/28
Gunlock	3595	4/15	10/22	Springdale	4100	4/15	11/4
Hildale	5047	5/1	10/15	Toquerville	3333	4/10	10/25
Hurricane	3287	4/12	10/25	Veyo	4475	5/5	10/1
Ivins	2959	4/5	10/28	Virgin	3550	4/12	10/25
*La Verkin	3287	4/12	10/25	Washington	2624	3/30	11/1
Leeds	3500	4/12	10/25	Winchester Hills	3815	4/25	10/20
				*Zion Nation Park	3850	4/15	11/1

The above chart is a list of most of the towns within Washington County. The average freeze dates for spring and fall as well as their elevations are listed. Dates are approximate (unless noted with an asterisk) and based on the information from nearby towns as well as their elevation.

*Date taken from actual records provided by the Utah Climate Center.

- 1. Locate your town or the one that is nearest where you live.
- 2. Note the average Spring and Fall freeze dates for your area. (Ex. March 30th=Spring and November 1st=Fall freeze date).
- 3. The number of days between these two dates is your <u>frost-free growing season</u>. The example shows the frost-free dates for St. George. The frost-free season is approximately 210 days; however, it is often over 100 degrees in June, July, and August!
- 4. Note: Areas of high elevation such as Apple Valley, Central, Colorado City, etc. have a shorter frost-free growing season than St. George. Ex. Apple Valley's frost-free growing season is May 5 to October 1, or 145 days.
- 5. Getting to know which vegetables prefer cool temperatures as well as which ones cannot tolerate frost will help you decide when to plant specific vegetables.

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