



Potato leafhopper arrival dates

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PLH generally arrives in Michigan in May. PLH does not overwinter in Michigan, so it is not dependent on degree-day accumulation across the state. Instead, adults are carried north on wind currents, often associated with rain events. Bottom line - remember to think about scouting for PLH after first cutting alfalfa.

Date of first report of PLH:

1994 - April 28	1999 - May 27
1995 - May 18	2000 - May 18
1996 - May 23	2001 - May 17
1997 - May 22	2002 - May 22
1998 - May 14	2003 - May 13