

## Chewing pests

# Grasshoppers



Grasshoppers have long hind legs that are adapted for jumping. They tend to feed during the day, creating large, ragged holes in plant leaves.

Adult grasshoppers are typically 2 to 5 cm long, and they vary in color from brown, green and red to yellow, depending on the species.



High numbers of grasshoppers can cause extensive plant damage within a short period of time. They overwinter as eggs in the growing medium.

### Management:

Grasshoppers are difficult to control with spray applications of contact insecticides



because they are strong fliers and highly mobile. One option is to place a covering over plants until adults are no longer present. Remove weeds from adjacent areas.