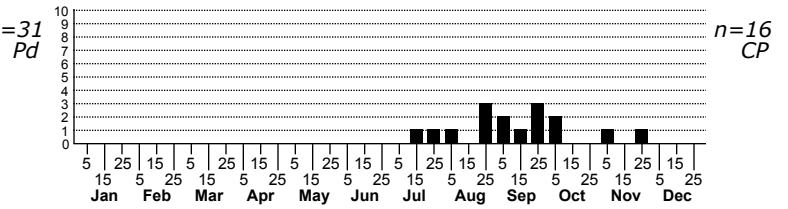
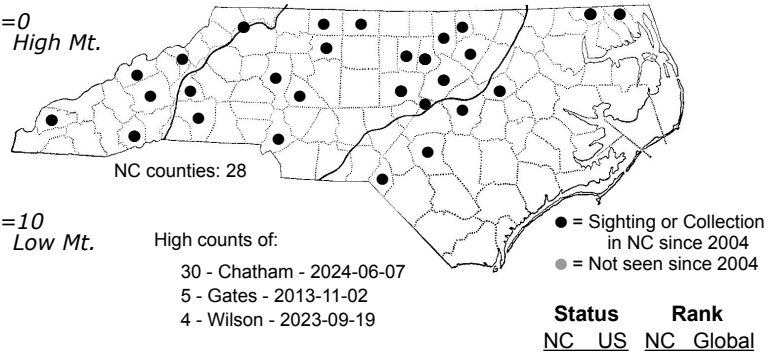
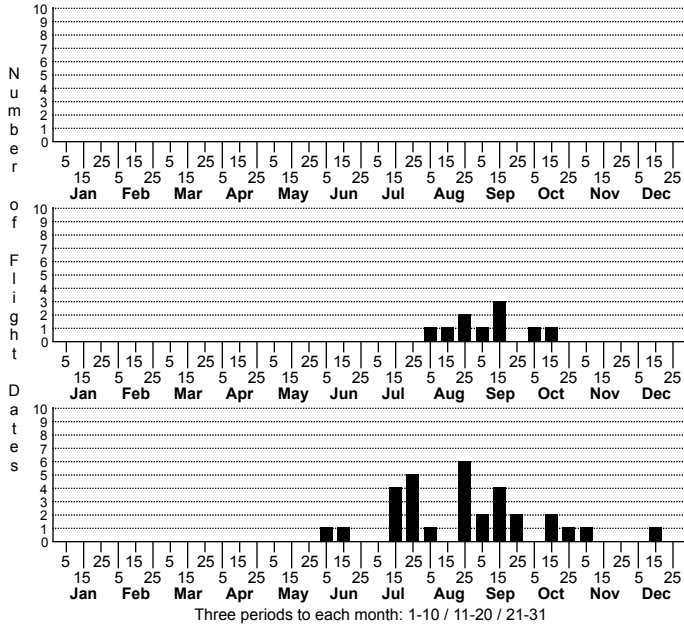


Verrucosa arenata an orb weaver



ORDER:ARANEAE INFRAORDER:Araneomorphae
 FAMILY:Araneidae

TAXONOMIC_COMMENTS: First described in 1833 as *Epeira mexicana* by Lucas, that name was sunk as nomen oblitum in 1976, so it took the specific epithet from Walckenaer in 1841, when he described it as *E. arenata*. It was moved to the genus *Verrucosa* by McCook in 1888.

DISTRIBUTION_COMMENTS: Eastern deciduous forests, gardens, suburban plantings.

HABITAT: forest edge, forest