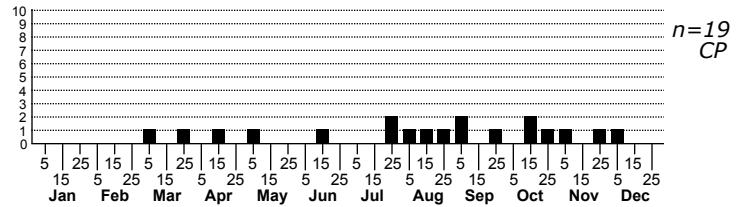
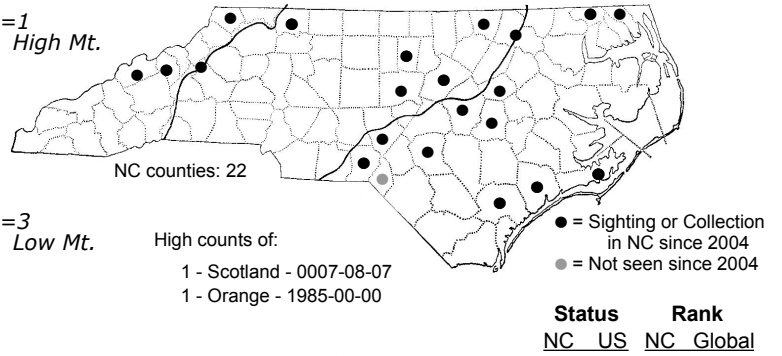
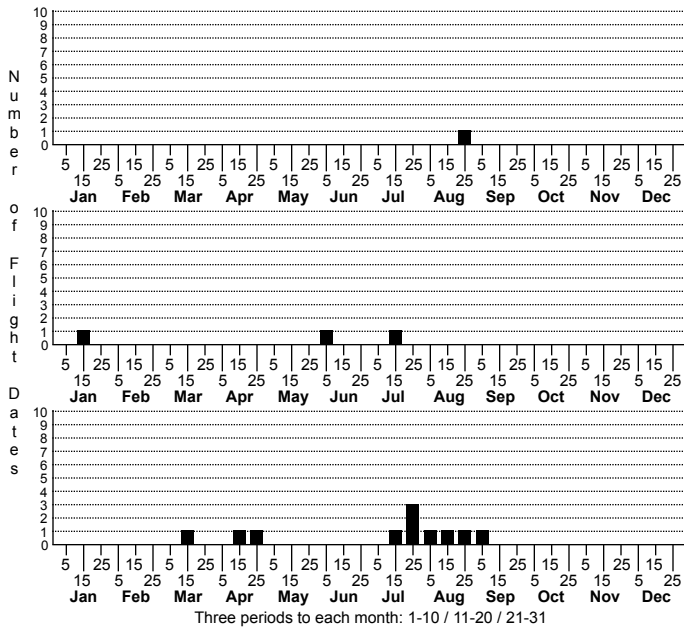


Acanthepeira stellata Star-bellied orb weaver



ORDER:ARANEAE INFRAORDER:Araneomorphae
FAMILY:Araneidae

ONLINE_PHOTOS: <https://bugguide.net/node/view/1994>

DISTRIBUTION_COMMENTS: Found throughout North Carolina and the eastern United States. Eggs hatch in late summer, sub adults overwinter and mature in spring and early summer.

HABITAT: old fields, grasslands, sand dune vegetation, meadows, forest under story, structures and occasionally in trees.

OBSERVATION_METHODS: Collected by sweep netting or visual surveys.