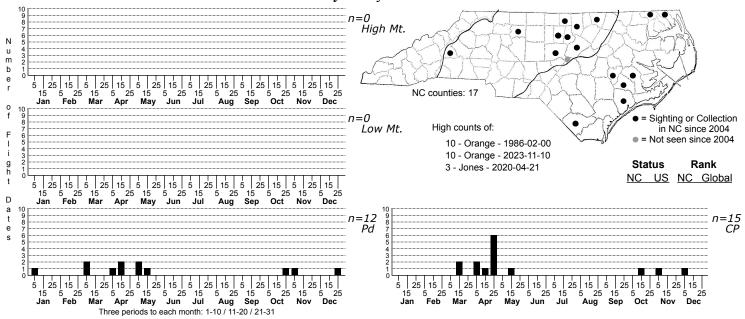
Libitioides sayi Say's Armored Harvestman



ORDER:OPILIONES SUBORDER:Laniatores SUPERFAMILY:Travunioidea FAMILY:Cosmetidae

TAXONOMIC_COMMENTS: <i>Libiotodes sayi</i> is one of two species in this genus that occur in North America north of Mexico (Kury, 2003), both of which occur in North Carolina.

DISTRIBUTION_COMMENTS: This species will probably be found across the Piedmont and Coastal Plain. Its presence in the mountains needs to be investigated.

HABITAT: Found under logs and rocks on the ground and under the bark of standing snags. In the Piedmont, observations come primarily from wet to mesic hardwood forests.

OBSERVATION_METHODS: This species may be found mainly in the spring and fall by searching under logs and boards.

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STATE_PROTECTION: Arachnids are not protected under state law, although permits are needed to collect them in State Parks and other public and private nature preserves

STATUS_COMMENTS: This species appears to be associated with mesic forests. More information needs to be obtained about its overall distribution, population sizes, and habitat associations before its conservation status can be accurately determined.