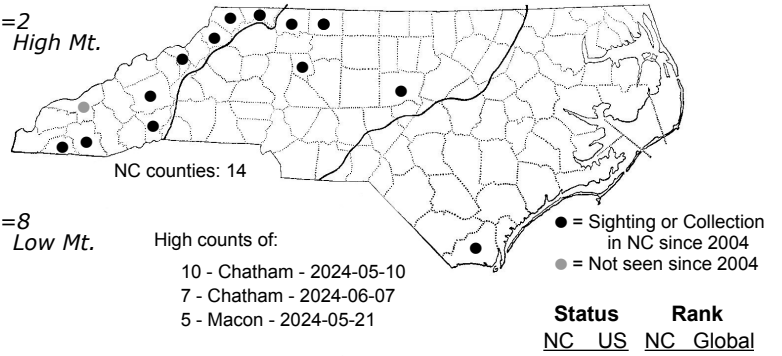
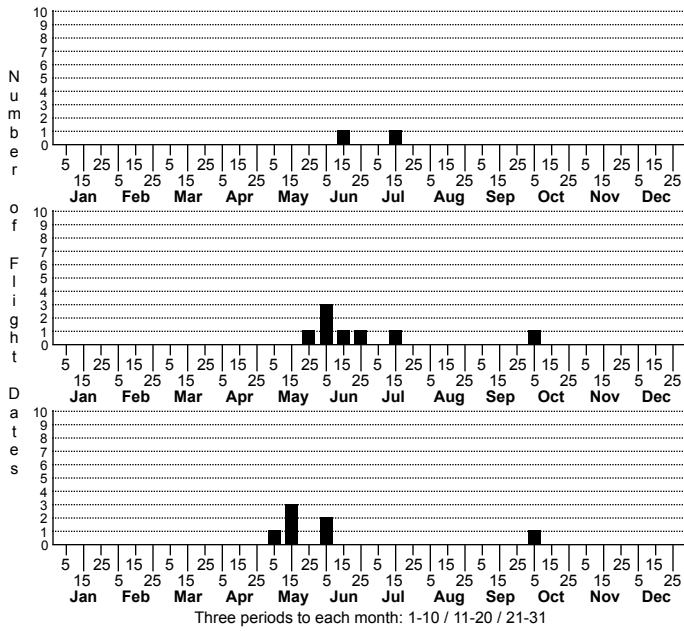


Araniella displicata Sixspotted orbweaver



ORDER:ARANEAE INFRAORDER:Araneomorphae
 FAMILY:Araneidae

DISTRIBUTION COMMENTS: Found throughout North Carolina, US and Canada. One of the most widespread spiders in all of North America. Overwinter as subadults and mature in spring and early summer when mating occurs. Egg sac contains an average of 80 eggs and is covered in loose fluffy, yellowish silk. Egg sac is placed in a curled leaf that also serves as the mother's retreat at the end of the web.

HABITAT: tall grasses, shrubs, old fields, under story and low shrubs in forests.

OBSERVATION METHODS: Visual surveys, sweep nets or beat sheets.