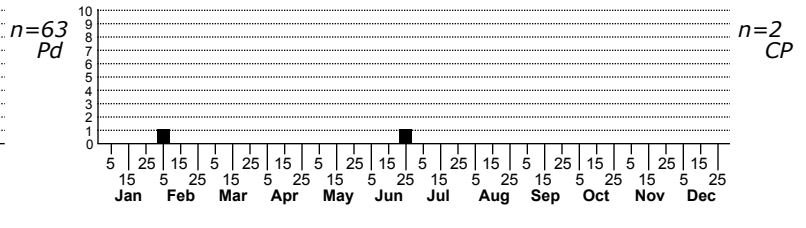
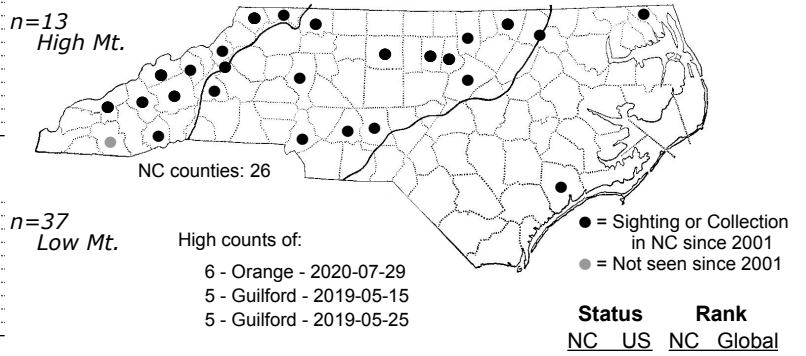
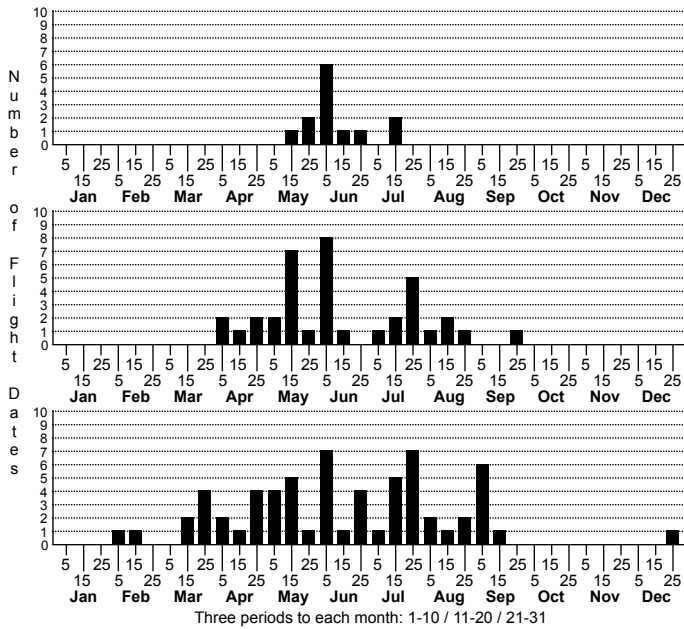


Palpita magniferalis Splendid Palpita Moth



FAMILY: Crambidae SUBFAMILY: Pyraustinae TRIBE: Spilomelini
 TAXONOMIC_COMMENTS:

FIELD GUIDE DESCRIPTIONS: Covell (1984); Beadle and Leckie (2012)

ONLINE PHOTOS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS: A small, gray and brown blotched Pyraustine. The forewings are marked with extensive areas of pale gray; the abdomen is also pale gray and irregularly marked with fuscous. The orbicular and reniform are contrastingly black, and large fuscous patch is often present beyond the reniform and a brown postmedian patch may also be present (Munroe, 1952). Most of the forewing is marked with fuscous speckling. Hind wings are translucent pale gray with light fuscous speckling. Scholtens (2017) notes: "there is plenty of possibility for confusion in these species. There are general trends in each, but a great deal of variation."

DISTRIBUTION: Please refer to the dot map.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT:

FOOD:

OBSERVATION_METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: GNR S4S5

STATE PROTECTION: Has no legal protection, although permits are required to collect it on state parks and other public lands.

COMMENTS: