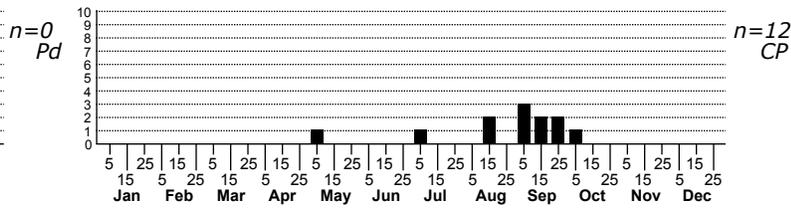
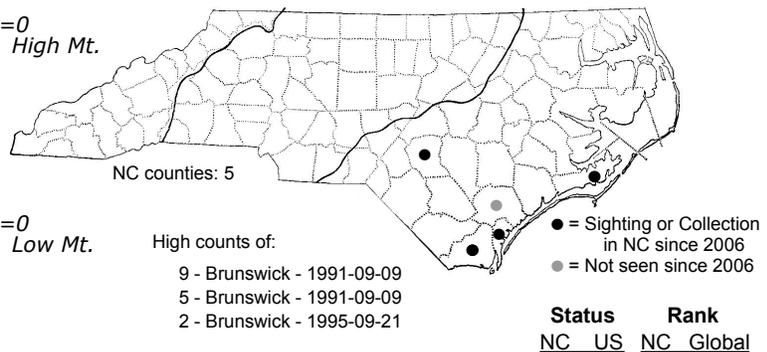


# *Diphthera festiva* Hieroglyphic Moth



FAMILY: Noctuidae SUBFAMILY: Diphtherinae TRIBE:  
 TAXONOMIC\_COMMENTS:

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

ONLINE PHOTOS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS:

DISTRIBUTION: Please refer to the dot map.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT: We have records from several Longleaf Pine savannas, where they may only be strays.

FOOD: Larvae are polyphagous, feeding on herbaceous species in several plant families, including Soybean, Mimosa, and Lespedeza in the Leguminosae. Reports from Pecan and other trees may represent secondary use by wandering individuals following defoliation of their normal hosts (Wagner et al., 2011).

OBSERVATION\_METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G5 SNR [S2S3]

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

COMMENTS: