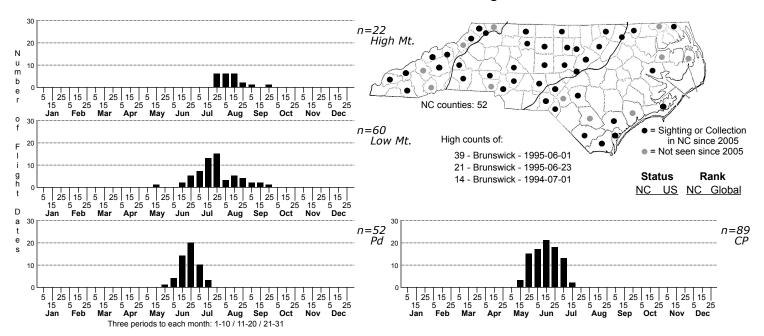
Catocala ultronia Ultronia Underwing



FAMILY: Erebidae SUBFAMILY: Erebinae TRIBE: Catocalini TAXONOMIC_COMMENTS: One of 103 species in this genus that occur in North America (Lafontaine and Schmidt, 2010, 2015), 67 of which have been recorded in North Carolina. Included by Barnes and McDunnough (1918) in their Group XVII (also adopted by Forbes, 1954), which feed mainly on members of the Rosaceae; 12 other members of this group (as redefined by Kons and Borth, 2015b) also occur in North Carolina.

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:

FOOD: Larvae are oligophagous, feeding on several members of the Rosaceae. Wagner et al. (2011) state that <i>Prunus</i> species are the main host plants but that they also use apple (<i>Malus</i>) and hawthorn (<i>Crataegus</i>) to some extent. In North Carolina, we have feeding records for Chickasaw Plum (<i>Prunus angustifolia</i>) and Black Cherry (<i>P. serotina</i>).

OBSERVATION METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G5 SNR [S4S5]

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

COMMENTS: