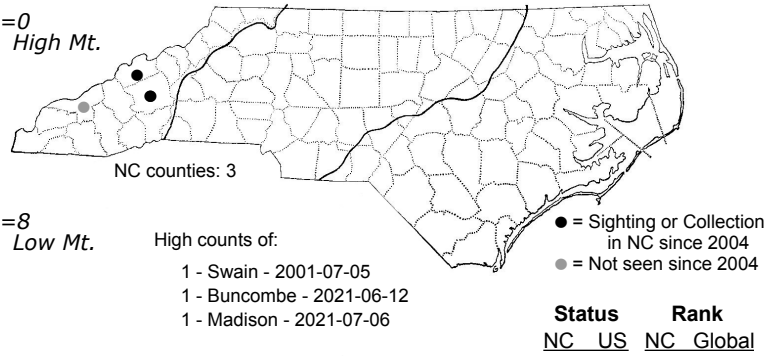
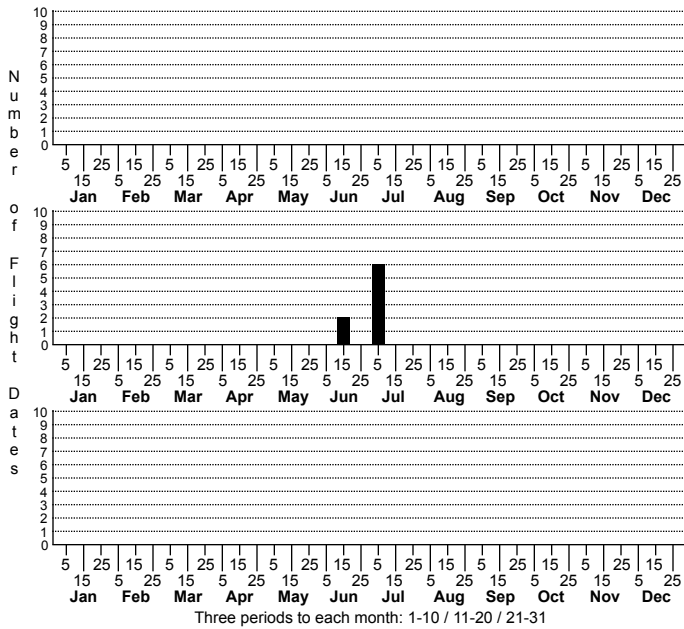


*Pseudeva purpurigera* Straight-lined Looper



FAMILY: Noctuidae SUBFAMILY: Plusiinae TRIBE: Plusiini

TAXONOMIC\_COMMENTS: One of two species in this genus, only one of which occurs in North Carolina and the East; the other is Western (Lafontaine and Poole, 1991)

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

ONLINE PHOTOS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS: Forbes (1954; as *Plusia purpurigera*); Lafontaine and Poole (1991)

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS: A medium-sized, dull orange or yellow Looper with pink shading, flecked with brown, and with a bronzy sheen in the subterminal area (Forbes, 1948). No stigma is present and the other spots are often obscure. The most conspicuous marking is the pale postmedian line. Hindwings are pale fuscous.

DISTRIBUTION: Please refer to the dot map.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT: Our sole record for this species comes from a cove forest

FOOD: Larvae feed on Meadow Rue, including both *Thalictrum dioicum* and *T. pubescens* (=polygamum) (Lafontaine and Poole, 1991), both of which occur in mesic to wet forests in the Mountains and Piedmont

OBSERVATION\_METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G5 S1S2

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

COMMENTS: