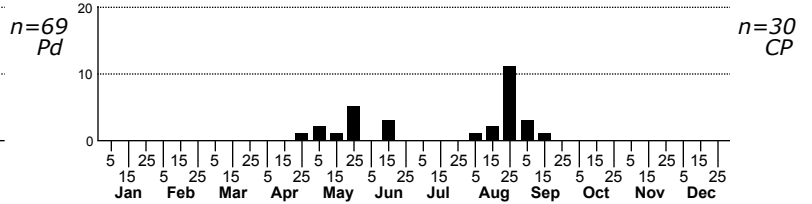
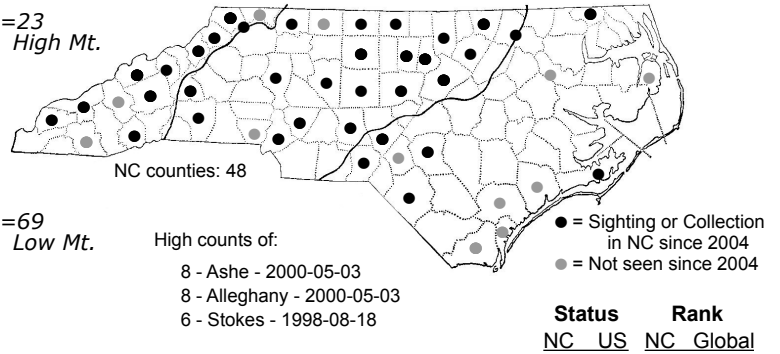
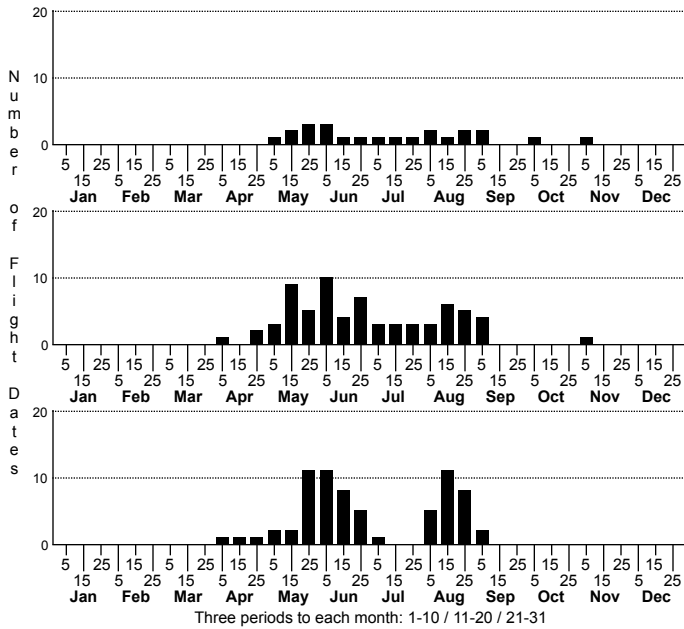


Charadra deridens Laughter Moth



FAMILY: Noctuidae SUBFAMILY: Pantheinae 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: Wagner et al. (2011) list barrens, woodland, and forests as habitats used by this species. Our records span the entire range of hardwoods in North Carolina, ranging from dry-xeric maritime forests to cool mesic Northern Hardwoods on our highest peaks.

FOOD: Larvae feed primarily on beech and oak but have also been reported on birch, elm, and maple (Wagner et al., 2011). In North Carolina, larvae have been feeding on Cherrybark Oak (*Quercus pagoda*), Willow Oak (*Q. phellos*), and Winged Elm (*Ulmus alata*).

OBSERVATION_METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G5 S5

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

COMMENTS: