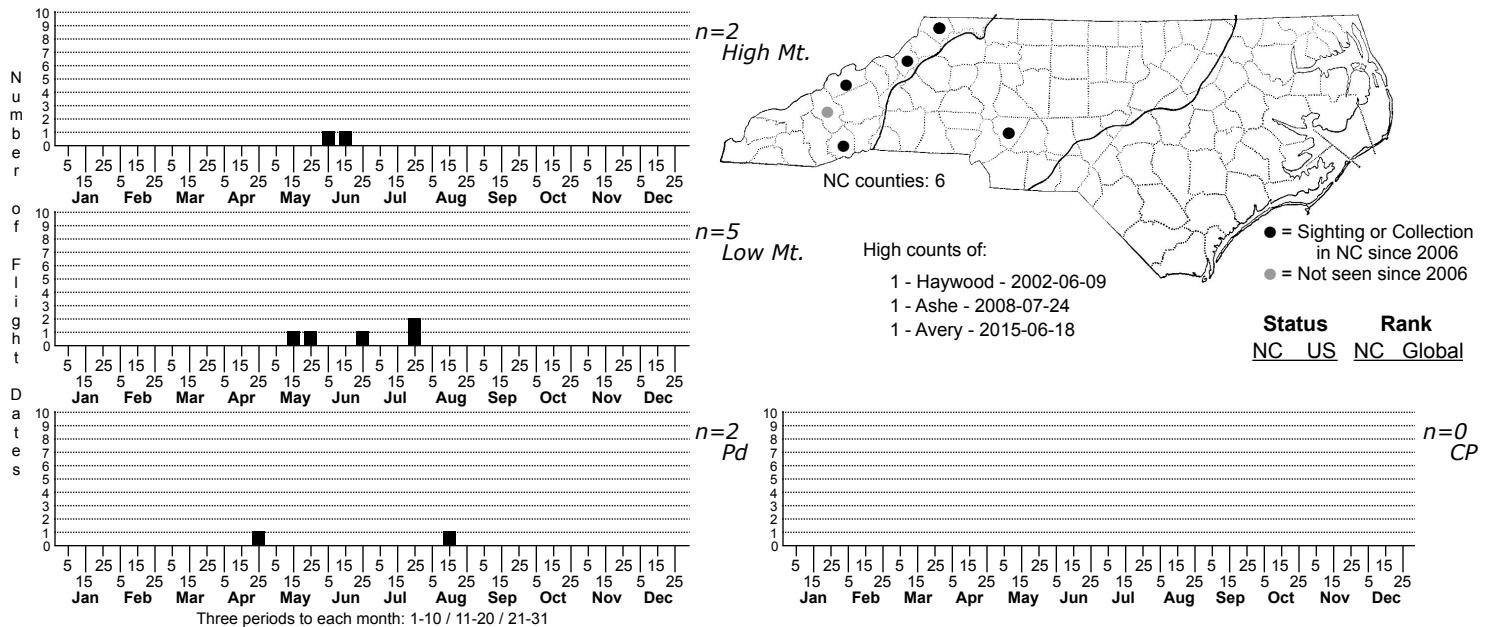


Apamea nigrior Black-dashed Apamea



FAMILY: Noctuidae SUBFAMILY: Noctuinae TRIBE: Apameini

TAXONOMIC COMMENTS: A Holarctic genus of about 140 species, with 63 recorded in North America, mostly from boreal or montane habitats (Mikkola et al., 2009). Seventeen species occur in North Carolina with the majority of records coming from the mountains.

FIELD GUIDE DESCRIPTIONS: Beadle and Leckie (2012)

ONLINE PHOTOS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS:

DISTRIBUTION: This species is mainly northern in its distribution but extends down the Appalachians to North Carolina. The two Piedmont records are likely to represent strays from the mountains.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT: Our records come from both high and low elevations in the Mountains. Habitat information is not well-documented but includes sites located in or near grassy balds, wet meadows, pastures, and cove forests

FOOD: Host plants are unknown, but members of this genus typically feed on grasses and sedges (Mikkola et al., 2009).

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: