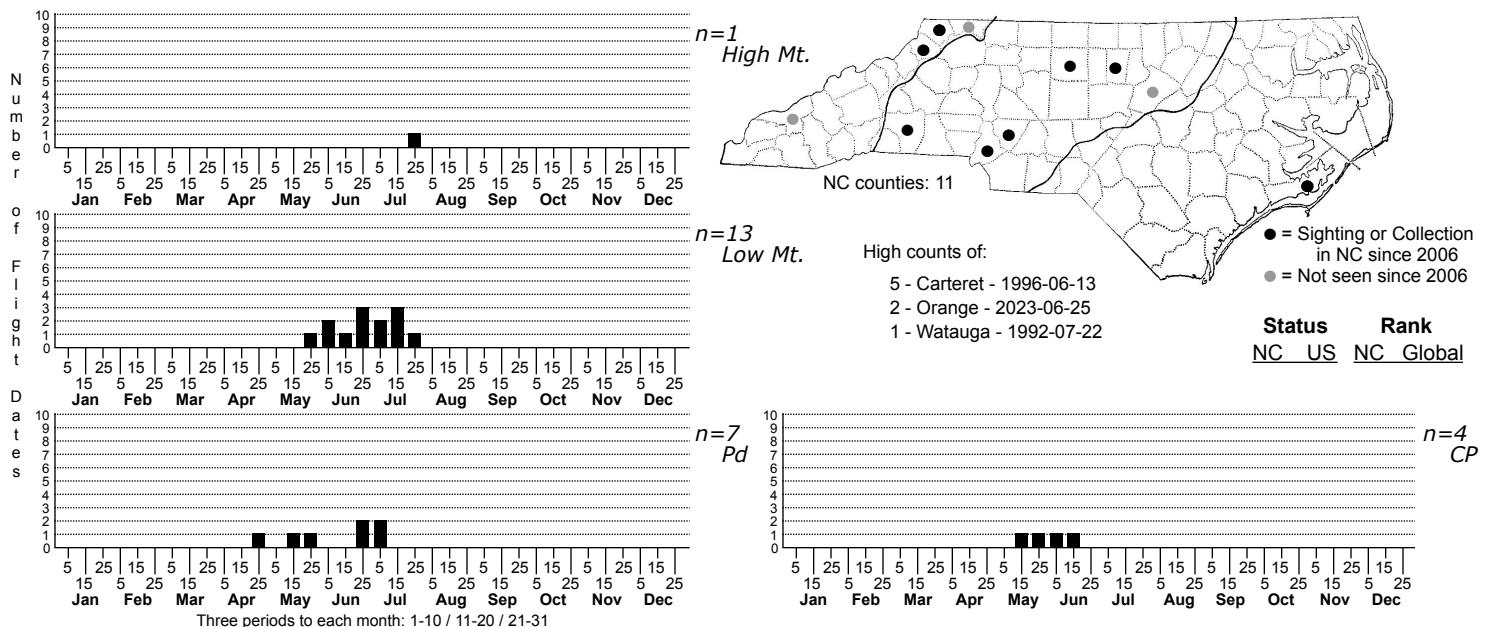


Apamea cariosa None



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:

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: This species uses a variety of different habitats across the state. In the Coastal Plain, we have records from dry-xeric dune grasslands on barrier islands. In the Piedmont, we have records from wet-to-mesic hardwood forests. In the Mountains, records come from Mountain Bogs, wet meadows, cove forests, and high elevation semi-natural grasslands.

FOOD: Larvae feed on grasses but have been reared on dead oak leaves in captivity (Mikkola et al., 2009). We do not have any feeding records in North Carolina.

OBSERVATION METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G4 SNR [S2S4]

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

COMMENTS: