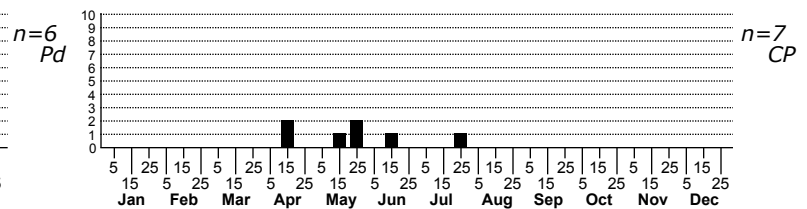
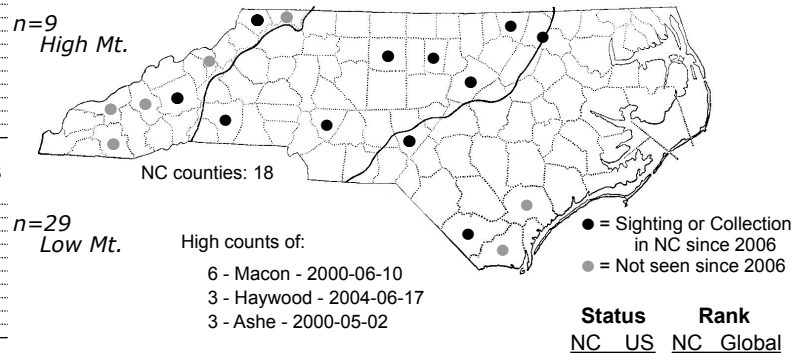
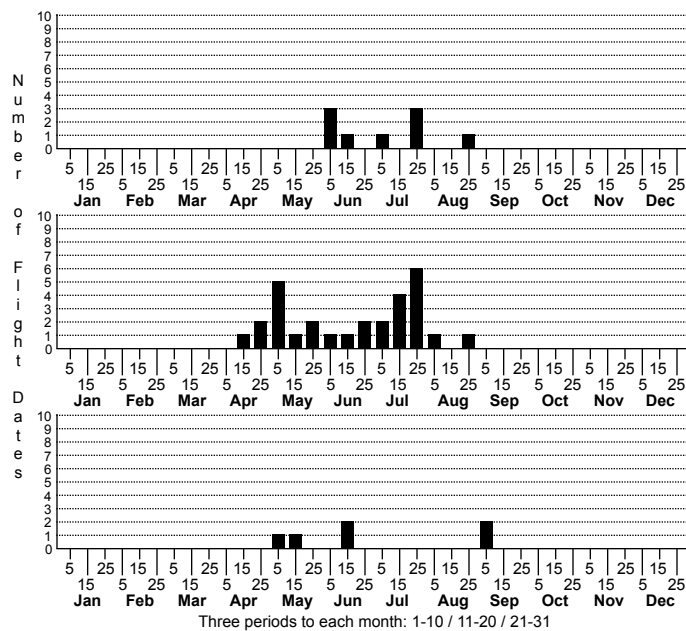


Balsa malana Many-dotted Appleworm Moth



FAMILY: Noctuidae SUBFAMILY: Balsinae 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: Our records come from both riparian and upland hardwood forests.

FOOD: Larvae feed primarily on apple and crabapple (*Malus* spp.) but have also been reported from serviceberry (*Amelanchier*), and cherry and plum (*Prunus* spp.); reports from other hosts such as elm (*Ulmus*) are probably in error. (Wagner et al., 2011). We do not have any feeding records in North Carolina.

OBSERVATION_METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G5 SNR [S3S4]

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

COMMENTS: