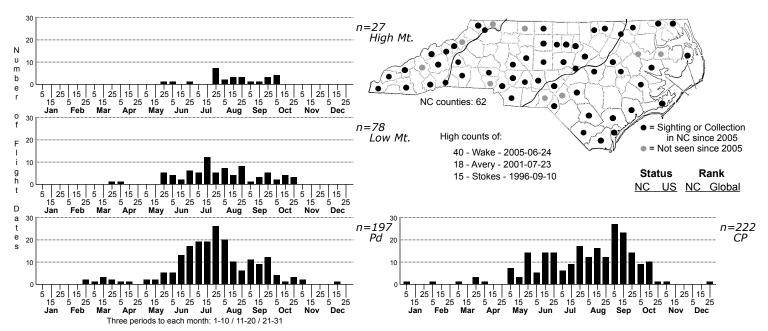
Spodoptera ornithogalli Yellow-striped Armyworm Moth



FAMILY: Noctuidae SUBFAMILY: Noctuinae TRIBE: Prodeniini 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: Habitats include fields and other open habitats (Wagner et al., 2011). Our records include a number of open, natural habitats, including maritime dunes, coastal savannas, marshes, sandhill seeps, sand ridges, and lakeshores. We also have a large number of records from forests, woodlands, and residential areas.

FOOD: Larvae are polyphagous, feeding on both herbaceous and woody plants, including many crop species (Wagner et al., 2011). In North Carolina, larvae have been recorded feeding on thistle (<i>Cirsium</i>) and garden tomato.

OBSERVATION METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G5 SNR [S5]

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

COMMENTS: