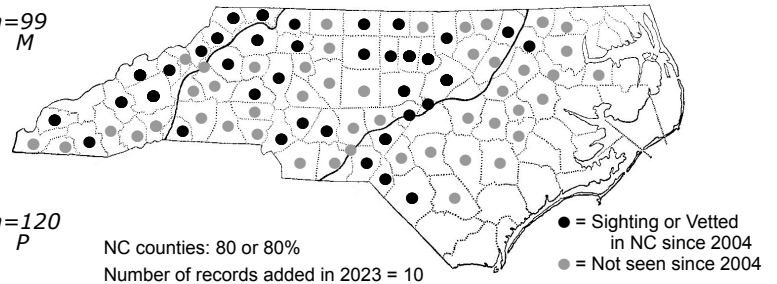
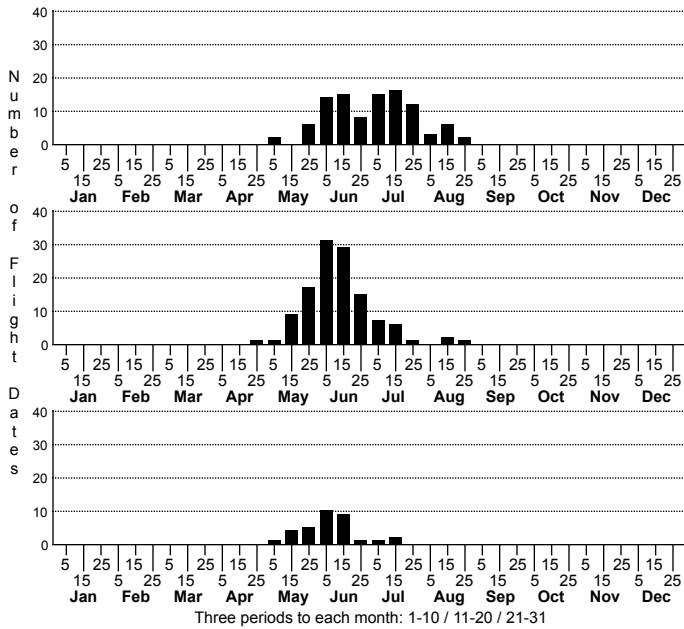


Enallagma traviatum Slender Bluet



High counts of:
105 - Wilkes; P - 2018-06-07
100 - Orange - 2009-06-11
75 - Orange - 2010-06-05

Earliest date: Alamance 2024-04-27
Latest date: Wake 2017-08-26

Status		Rank	
NC	US	NC	Global
-	-	S5	G5

DISTRIBUTION: Throughout the mountains and Piedmont, and over the western half of the Coastal Plain, barely reaching the counties along the western part of Albemarle Sound.

ABUNDANCE: Fairly common, to very locally common, over the mountains and Piedmont; rare to uncommon (at least formerly) in the Coastal Plain, with but one recent report. More numerous in the mountains than downstate.

FLIGHT: Early or mid-May to late August in the mountains and Piedmont, but the Coastal Plain records extend only to mid-July (though should occur to the end of August).

HABITAT: A variety of lakes and ponds, typically with emergent vegetation.

BEHAVIOR: Males often perch on stubs or twigs low over the water, well out from shore. Thus, it is more readily visible -- in full sun -- than a number of other bluet species. Of course, females tend to stay close to shore in thick vegetation, as with other bluets.

COMMENTS: As with so many of our damselflies, there are few people looking for them in recent years in the upper half of the Coastal Plain; thus, it is no surprise that there is but a single recent flight date record from this large region. (Most odonate field work in the Coastal Plain occurs in the Sandhills and eastward to the southern half of the coast.)