

MOTH TRAP CATCH REPORT FOR THE SECOND WEEK OF JULY 2016

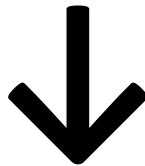
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Cotton Bollworm (CBW) moth trap catches remained very high in Baldwin and Elmore counties and were high in Autauga county. CBW moth trap catches increased to moderate levels in Macon county. CBW moth trap catches increased slightly at the Escambia county site where CBW larvae were reported to be infesting grain sorghum heads at the Brewton Ag Research Unit the week of July 18. The worms were feeding on the heads which were in the soft-dough stage and required treatment. Despite a low trap catch of CBW moths in Henry county at the Wiregrass Research Station during the 2nd week of July, conventional cotton plots had 15 to 20% CBW feeding damage to squares and blooms the week of July 18. No CBW larvae were found in conventional cotton plots at the Prattville Ag Research Unit during the 3rd week of July.

Tobacco Budworm (TBW) moth trap catches increased to a high level at the Gulf Coast Research Station in Baldwin county the 2nd week of July and remained at moderate levels in the Henry county trap. TBW moths were reported to be common in one peanut field in Lawrence county.

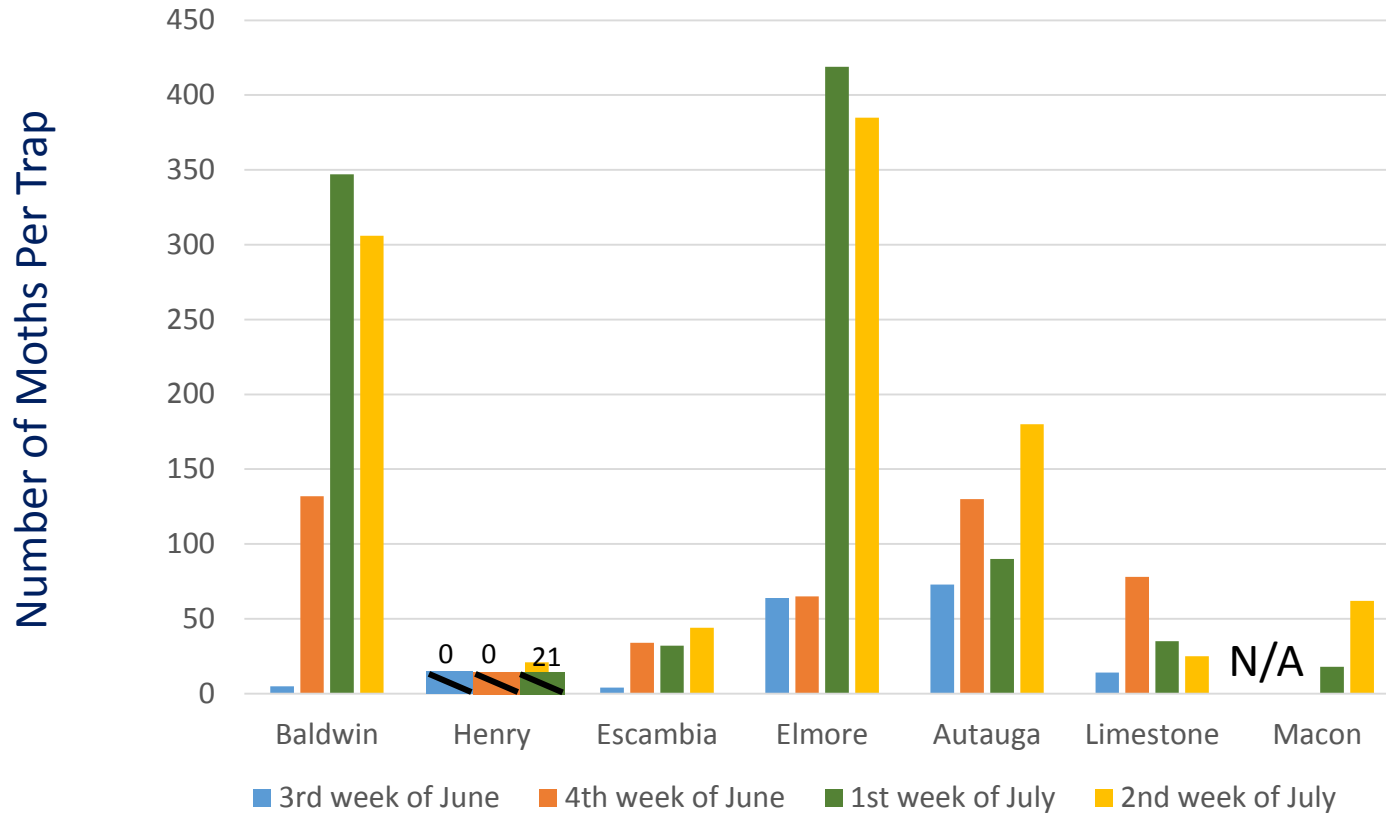
Soybean Looper (SBL) moth trap catches were extremely high in Baldwin county. SBL larvae however are present at very low levels in soybeans at the Fairhope Station. SBL moth trap catches remained moderate in the Elmore county trap. More SBL traps have recently been placed in Dallas, Wilcox, Perry, Hale and Tuscaloosa counties and thus far these traps have yielded either zero or very low numbers of SBL moths. Sweep net samples taken in 36 inch tall R3 soybeans at the Prattville Ag Research Unit on July 21 failed to yield more than 2 looper larvae per 10 sweeps.

The large number of CBW and SBL moths being collected at some trapping sites in the state demonstrate the need for farmers to diligently scout their row crops for caterpillars during the next 30 days. Soybeans planted behind wheat will need to be closely watched for a longer period.

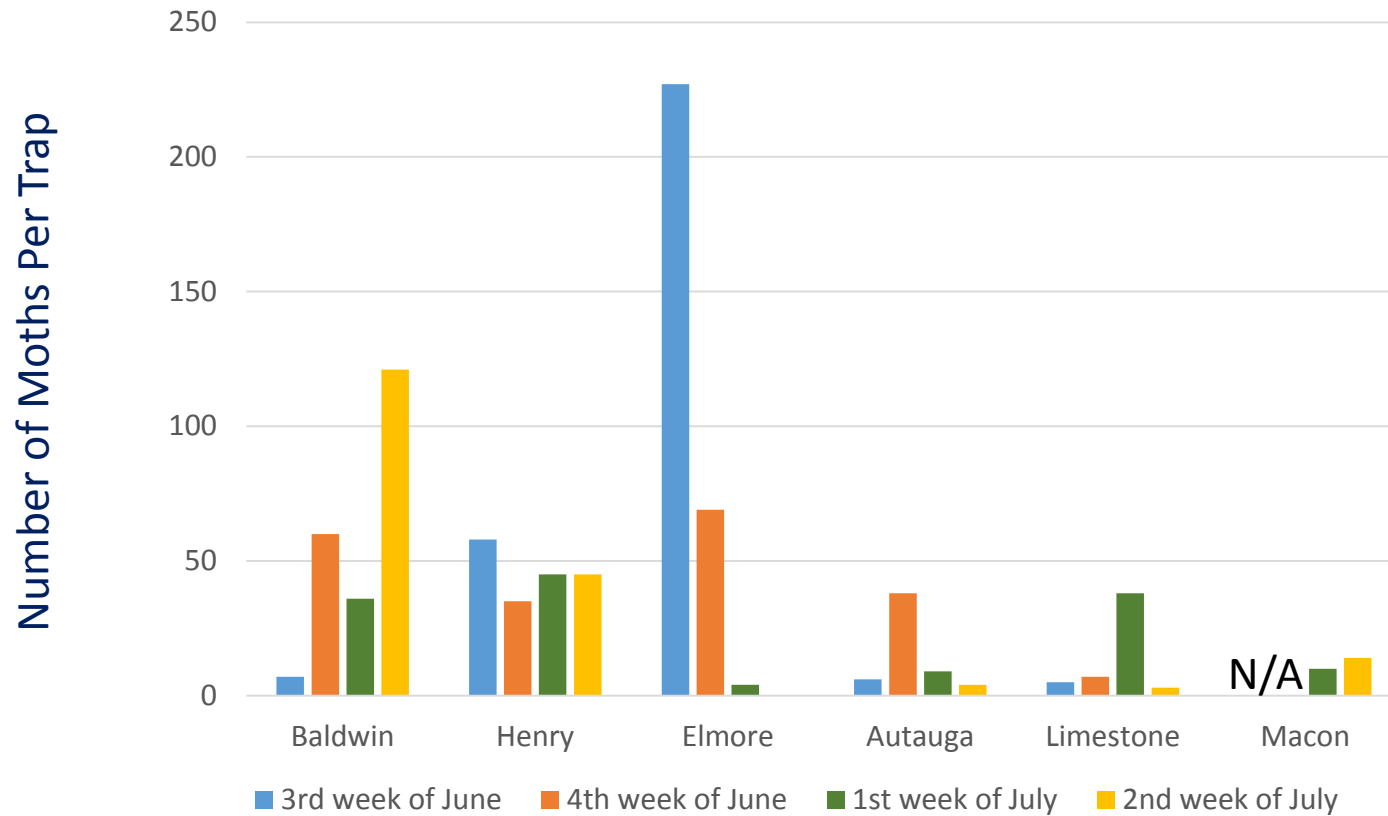


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Cotton Bollworm Moths per Trap by Location, 2016



Tobacco Budworm Moths per Trap by Location, 2016



Soybean Looper Moths per Trap by Location, 2016

