# Caterpillars Count!

# 2018 End of Season Summary

#### **CawCaw Interpretive Center**

Thanks for participating in **Caterpillars Count!** this year! Here we provide a summary of what was found at your site this year. For a more in depth exploration of the data check out our Maps & Graphs page. The raw data from your site, or any site, can be downloaded here!

#### **Site Statistics**

**CawCaw Interpretive Center** joined **Caterpillars Count!** in **2018** and has **50** survey branches spread across **10** survey circles. This season (as of 29 September):

- 12 unique participant(s) at your site
- conducted 508 visual and 16 beat sheet surveys
- · on 17 different dates
- observing a total of 508 arthropods
- including 105 caterpillars (present on 5.92% of surveys).
- Across all years, 12 unique participants have conducted 524 total surveys.

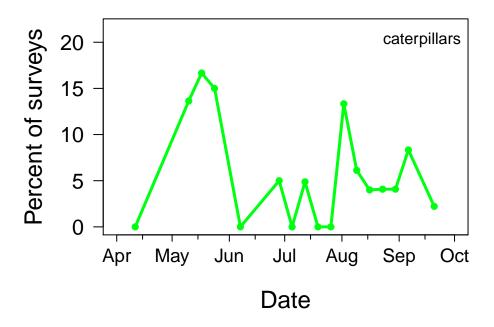
The **524** total surveys conducted at **CawCaw Interpretive Center** this year ranks **6th** out of the **30** sites that participated in 2018.

# **Top Participants of 2018**

User	Surveys	Arthropods	Caterpillars	% Caterpillars
D Seabrook	252	372	95	9.13
R Brouillet	160	29	3	1.25
W Twomey	37	23	1	2.70
T Hartnett	21	41	3	14.29
J Lee	20	10	3	10.00
G Mitrick	9	4	0	0.00
J Sherry	8	7	0	0.00
C Murren	6	3	0	0.00

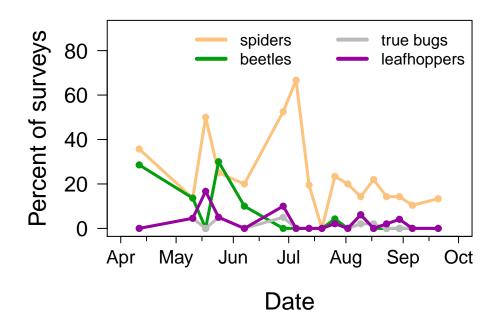
# **Caterpillar Phenology**

As a major source of food for nestlings of migratory birds, we are especially interested in the timing of caterpillar availability. At **CawCaw Interpretive Center**, caterpillar occurrence peaked at **16.67%** of surveys on **17 May**. Do you see other peaks as well?



# **Other Arthropod Phenology**

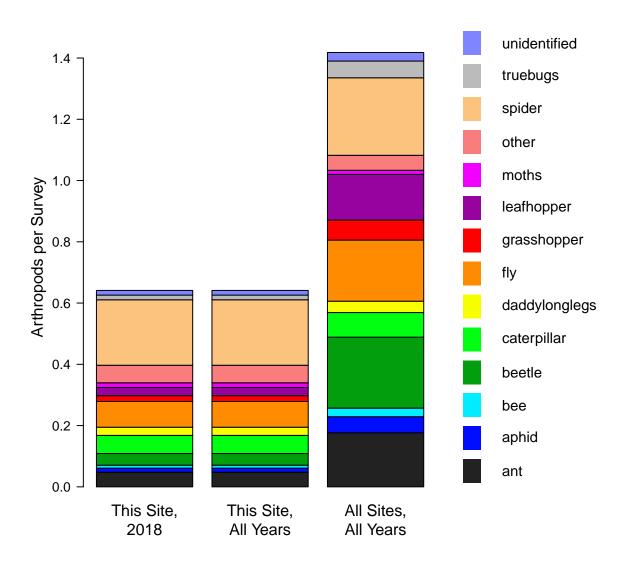
While caterpillars tend to have pronounced seasonal peaks, other groups are more variable. What patterns do you see below? You can explore the phenology of other groups on the Caterpillars Count! website.



### **Site Arthropod Composition**

Some arthropods are more commonly encountered than others. See how what was found *this* year (*left bar*) compares to the breakdown for all years at your site (*middle bar*; it will be identical if you've only collected data for 1 year), and compared to what has been found across all sites in the **Caterpillars Count!** network (*right bar*).

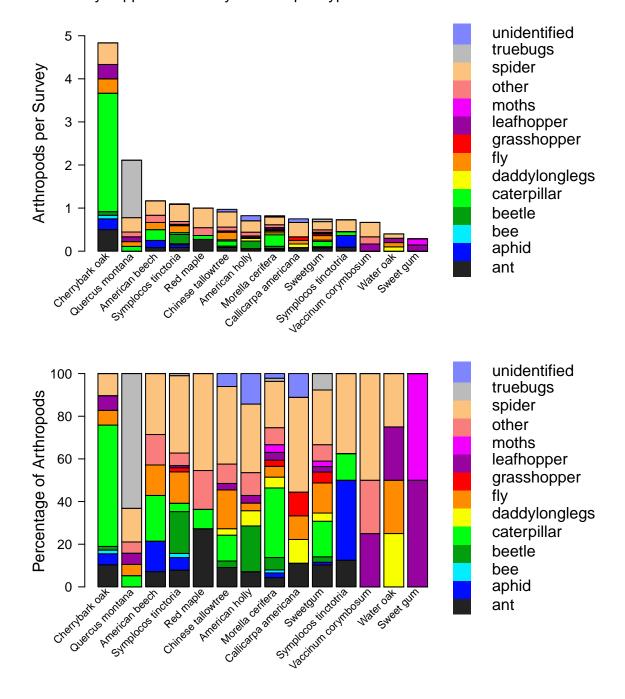
- · What are the most common arthropod groups found at your site?
- Has that varied by year?
- Is anything noticeably different about CawCaw Interpretive Center compared to all other participating sites?



# **Arthropod Composition by Plant Species**

For some arthropods like spiders, trees and leaves are merely habitat—a place where they live, hide, and hunt. For others like caterpillars, the leaves are not just habitat, but also food.

- Which plant species supports the most arthropods per survey? the most caterpillars?
- Are any plant species dominated by just one or two types of arthropods?
- Or do they support a diversity of arthropod types?



Thank you for participating in Caterpillars Count! Can't wait to see what you find next year!

EXPLORE YOUR DATA FURTHER ON THE CATERPILLARS COUNT! WEBSITE!