

# *Catocala lincolnana* Brower and *Catocala texarkana* Brower in Louisiana

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The rarely encountered noctuid moth *Catocala lincolnana* Brower (Fig. 1a) has been captured in two Louisiana parishes (Fig. 2). The little known species *Catocala texarkana* Brower (Fig. 1b) is recorded for Louisiana by a series of several dozen specimens taken at ultraviolet light in northwest Louisiana (Fig.2) taken



Fig. 1. a. *Catocala lincolnana* male, b. *Catocala texarkana* female.



Fig. 2. Parish localities by this author *lincolnana* ●, *texarkana* ★.

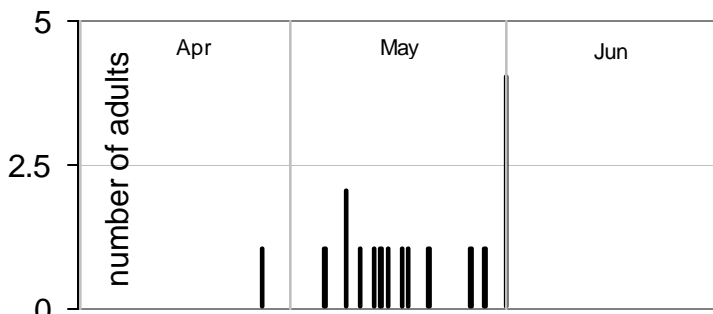


Fig. 3. *Catocala lincolnana* captured at sec.24T6SR12E, 4.2 mi. NE Abita Springs, Louisiana. n = 17

over two nights in late May. More specimens of *lincolnana* were captured at fermenting fruit bait (apples, granulated sugar and beer) than at ultraviolet light. The dates of capture for *lincolnana* are shown in Fig. 3. Neither *lincolnana* nor *texarkana* are illustrated by Covell (1984), though both are listed under similar species to *Catocala crataegi* Saunders. Both *lincolnana* and *texarkana* are listed to occur from Arkansas/Texas to Georgia/Florida by Heppner (2003)

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