Acronicta sinescripta Ferguson in Louisiana

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Ferguson (1988) described *Acronicta sinescripta* (Fig. 1) and designated the holotype, allotype and some paratypes from 4.2 mi. NE Abita Springs, St. Tammany Parish collected by this author. He listed the distribution of *sinescripta* to be South Carolina to Highlands County, Florida and westward through the Gulf States to Louisiana. In Louisiana, *sinescripta* has been taken only at the type locality (Fig. 2) where there appears to be four annual broods, the second through fourth broods peaking at about 35-day intervals (Fig.3).

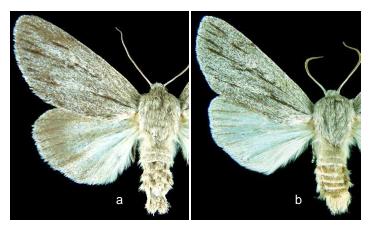


Fig. 1. Acronicta sinescripta: a. male, b. female.

Fig. 2. Parish records.

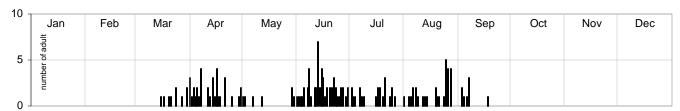


Fig. 3. *Acronicta sinescripta* captured at sec.24T6SR12E, 4.2 mi NE Abita Springs, Louisiana. n = 162 Literature cited

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