

County Distribution Maps of Iowa  
Butterflies and Skippers

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The following maps represent the known county distribution information for all authenticated butterfly and skipper species which have been observed within the state of Iowa, based upon a dataset of almost 11,000 individual records. In all of these maps:

open circles represent counties in which the most recent collection predates 1960

gray circles represent counties in which the most recent collection was made between 1960 and 1979

black circles represent counties in which the most recent collection was made since 1980.

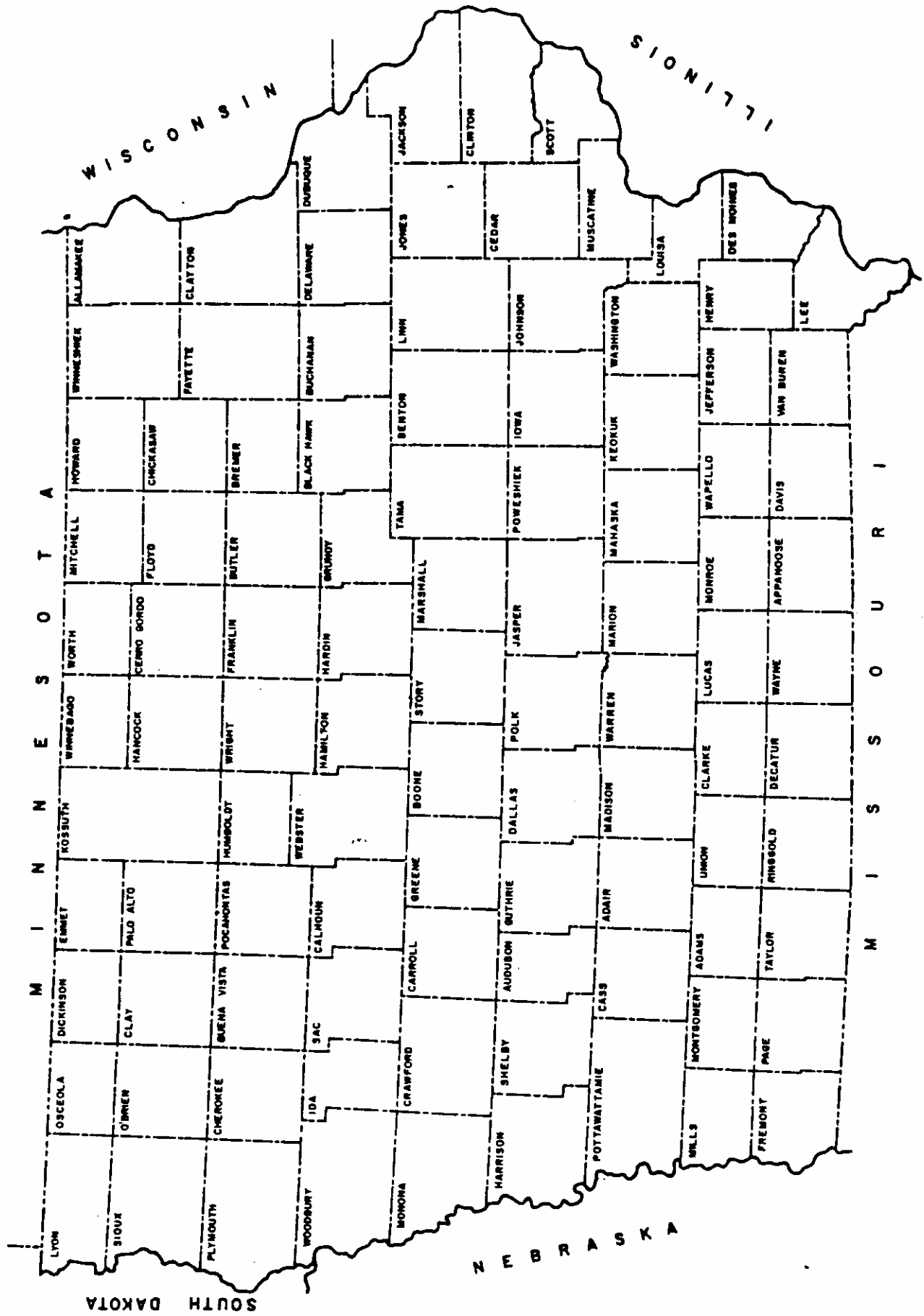
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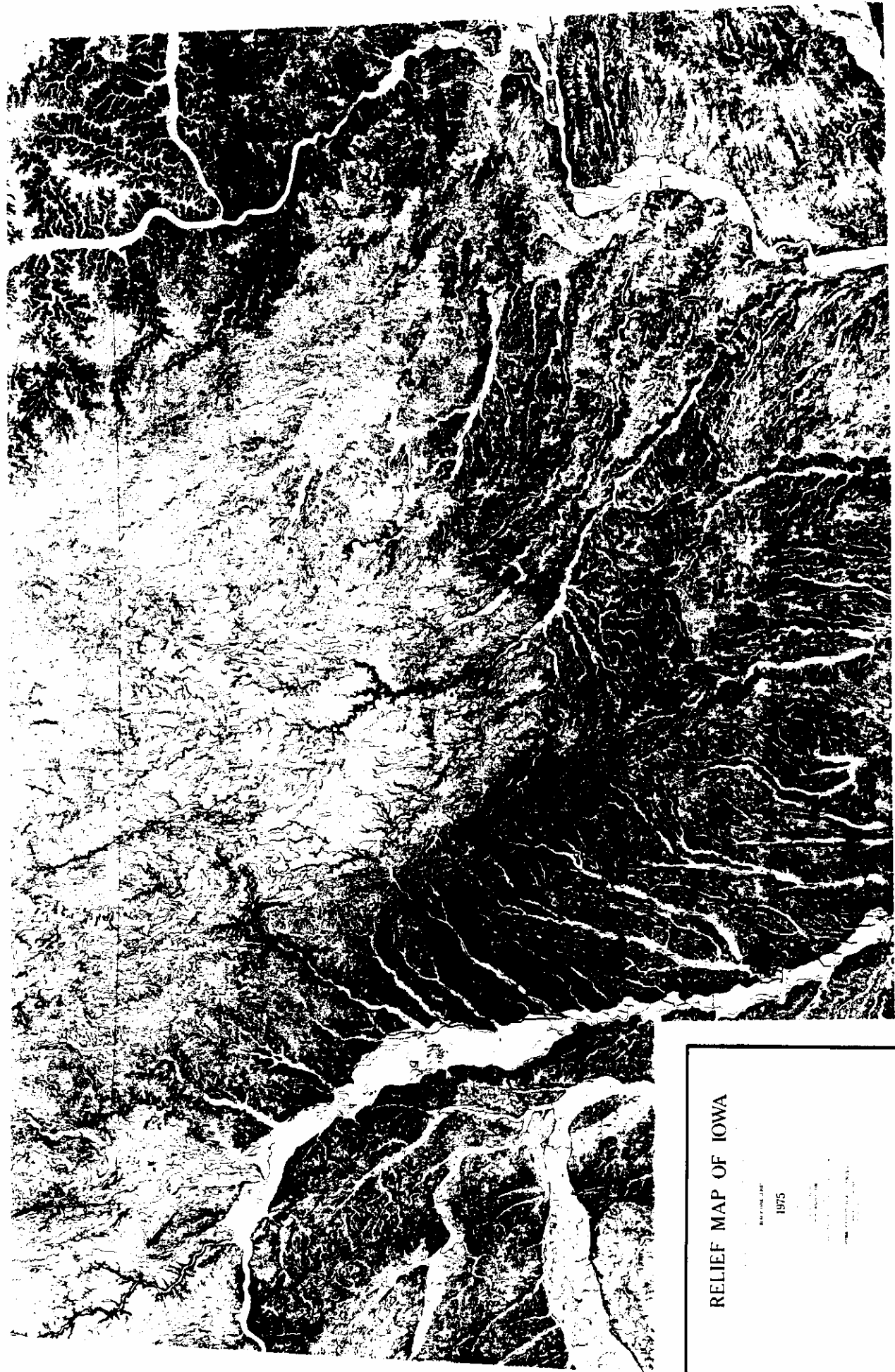
- 1) Notebook of John Downey, who recorded all published Iowa butterfly records until his retirement in 1987 from the Graduate School of the University of Northern Iowa. This dataset includes all records reported by M.C. Christenson from his 1972 master's thesis on Iowa butterflies.
- 2) Notebook of Dennis Schlicht, which contains all Iowa specimens within his collection, as well as correspondence from other active Iowa collectors.

A number of other important collections have certainly been missed. As such, these maps should be considered only a first iteration. As additional information becomes available, it will be entered into the database. We hope to update these maps in four years.

We have not included records from those data sources which are based solely upon sight information, such as the published July 4<sup>th</sup> Butterfly Counts. We have made this decision as it is not possible to verify such reports, and as we cannot control for observer experience.

This project would not have been possible were it not for the efforts of a large number of collectors in the state. As they were willing to share their information with John Downey and Dennis Schlicht, it was possible to create this dataset and the following maps upon which they were based. While it is not possible to mention all persons who contributed, we would in particular like to thank the following individuals who have contributed the most data: Brian Blevins, Bob Cecil, Dennis Cuthrell, Mike Christenson, John Fleckenstein, Ed Freese, Michael Hafner, Ray Hamilton, Ron Harms, Robert Howe, Steve Milne, John Nehnevaj, Judy Pooler, Frank Olsen, Tim Orwig, Brian Scholtens, and Jerry Selby.

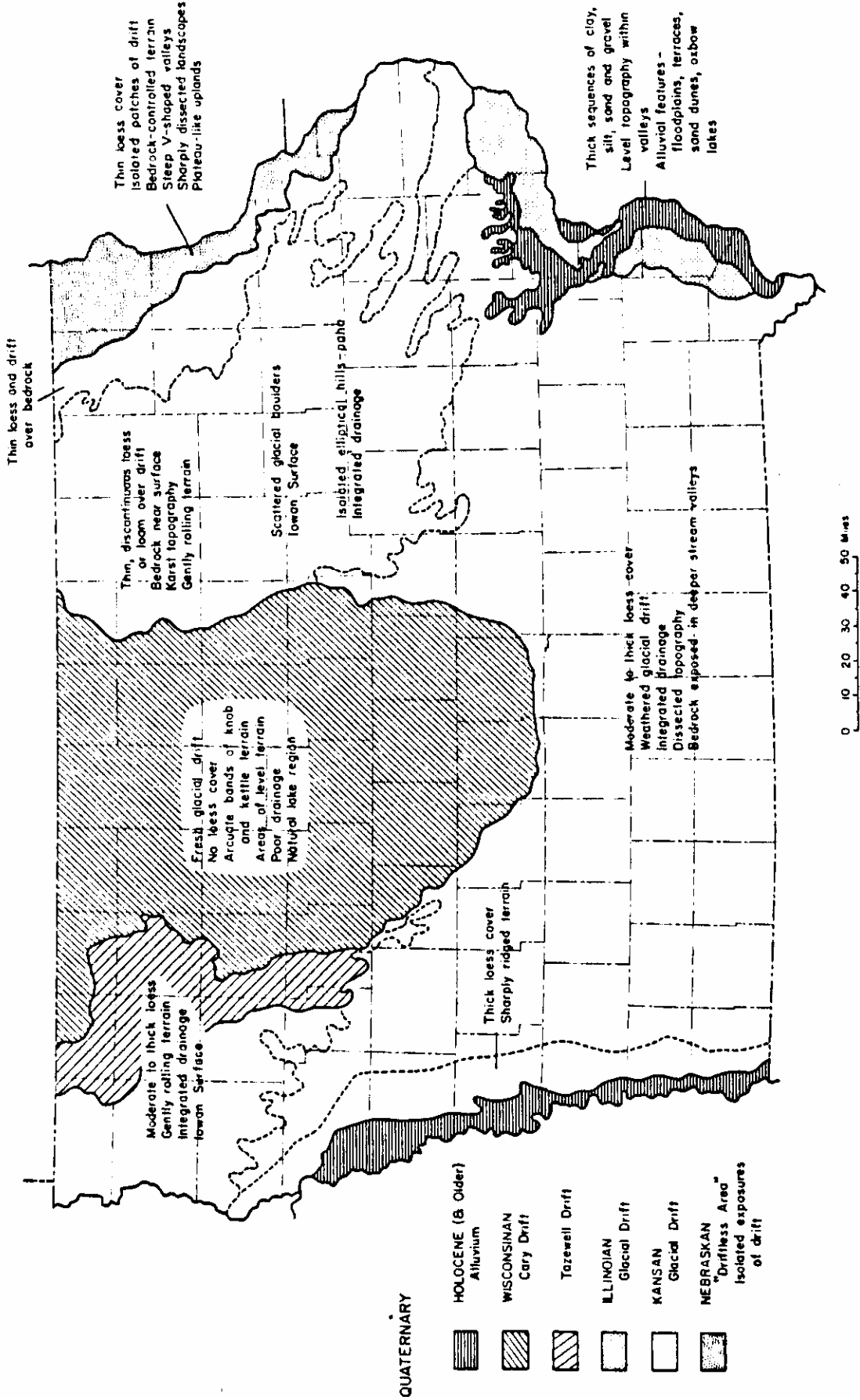




RELIEF MAP OF IOWA

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STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY  
DES MOINES, IOWA

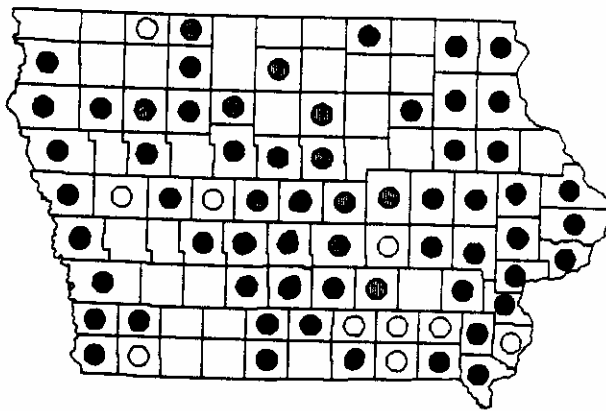


Iowa Geological Survey  
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**QUATERNARY TERRAIN AND MATERIALS IN IOWA.**  
(From: Prior, J.C., 1976)

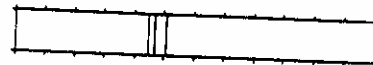
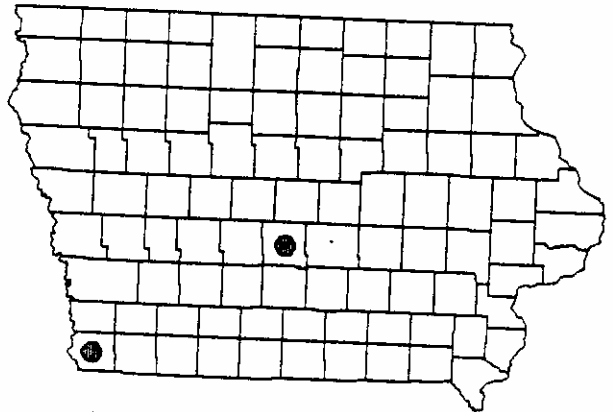
SKIPPERS Family Hesperiidae

5 Silver-spotted Skipper Epargyreus clarus



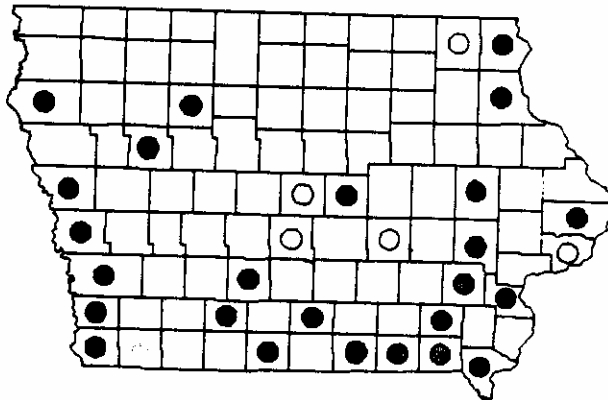
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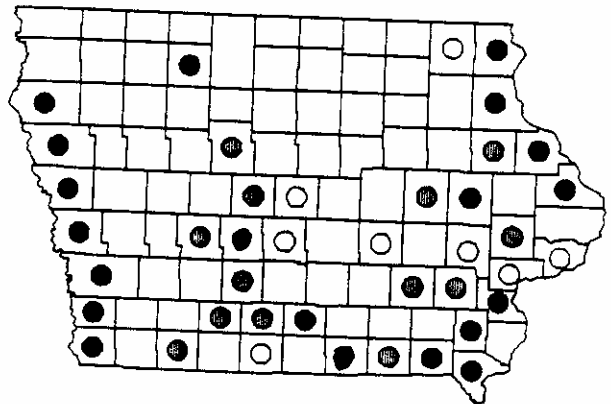
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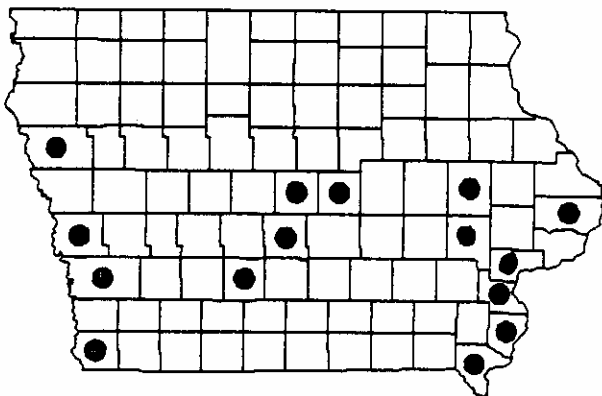
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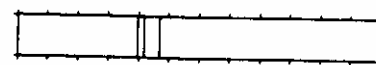
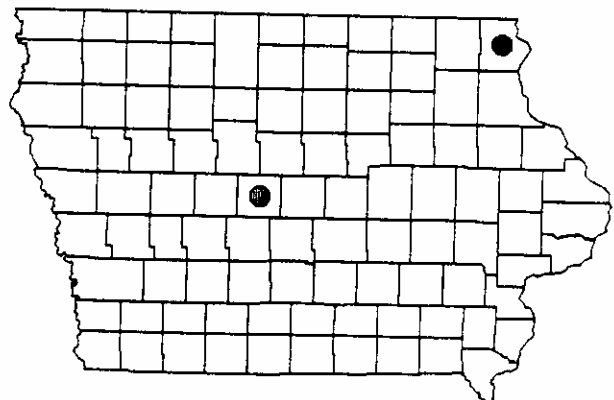
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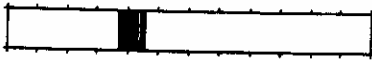
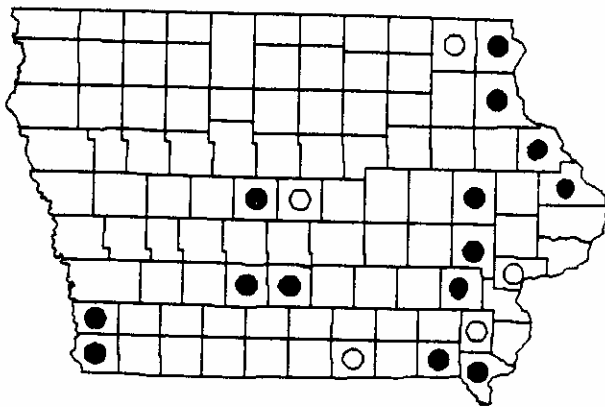
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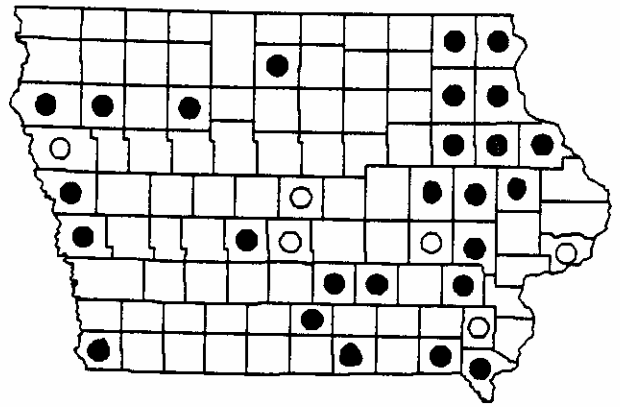
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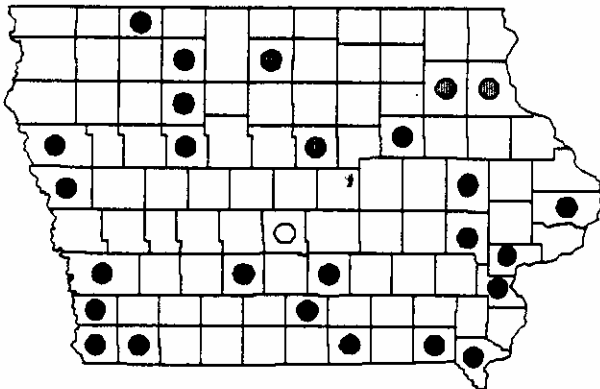
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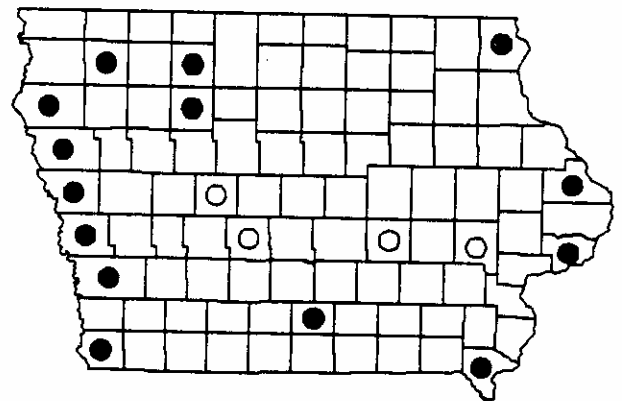
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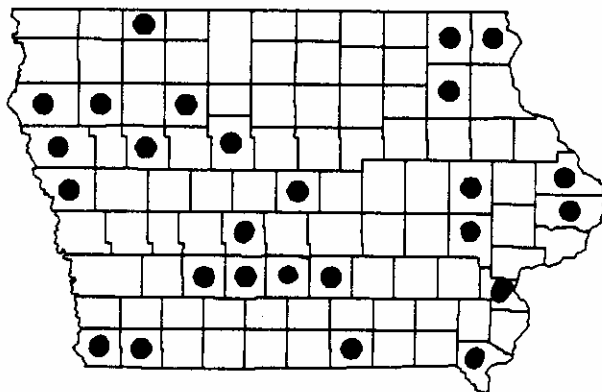
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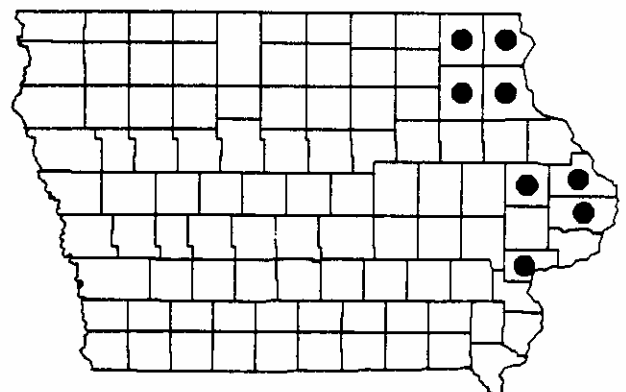
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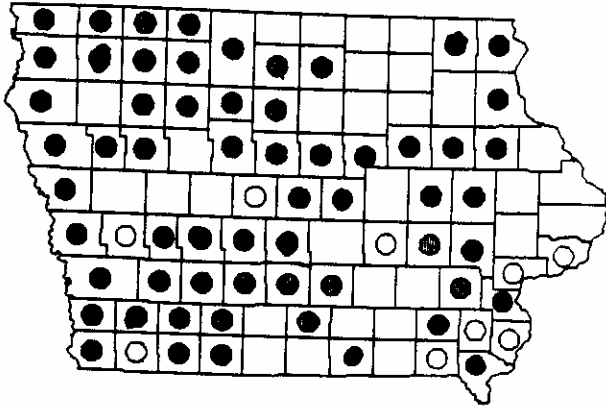
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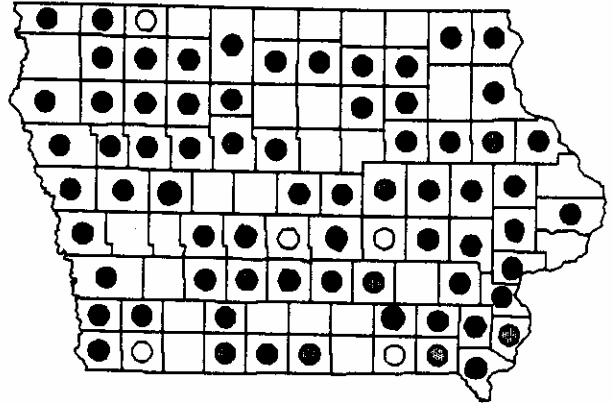
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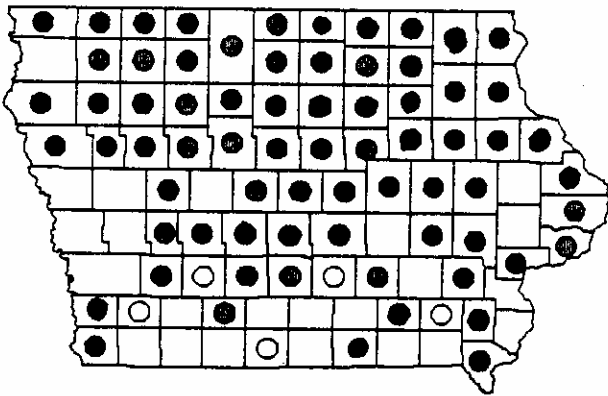
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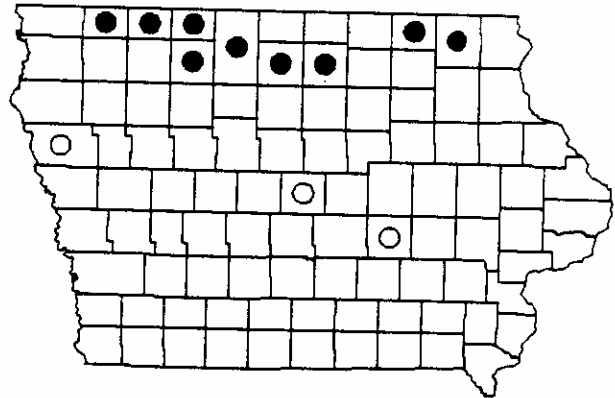
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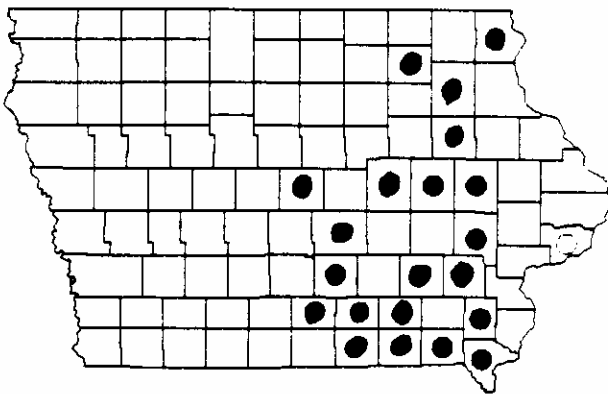
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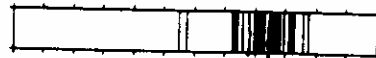
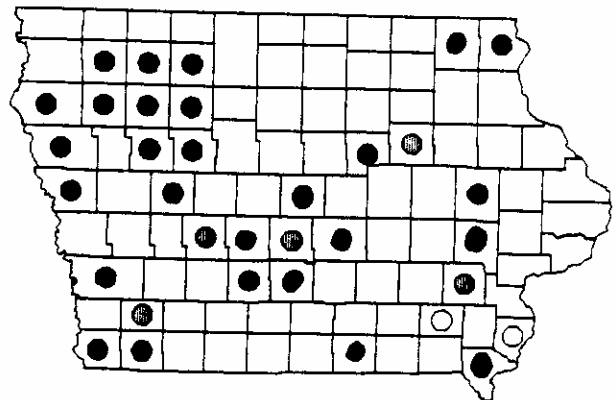
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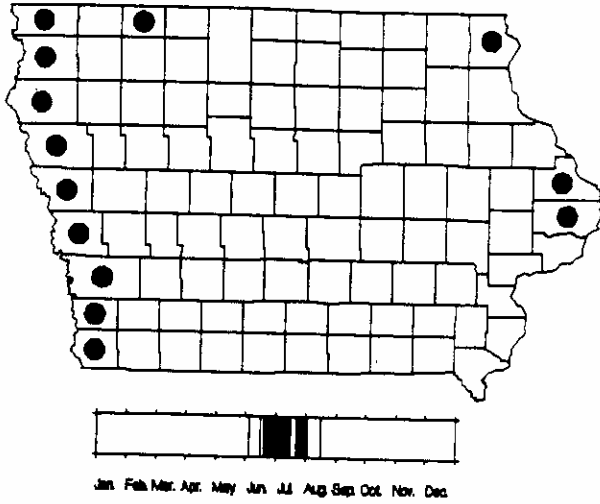


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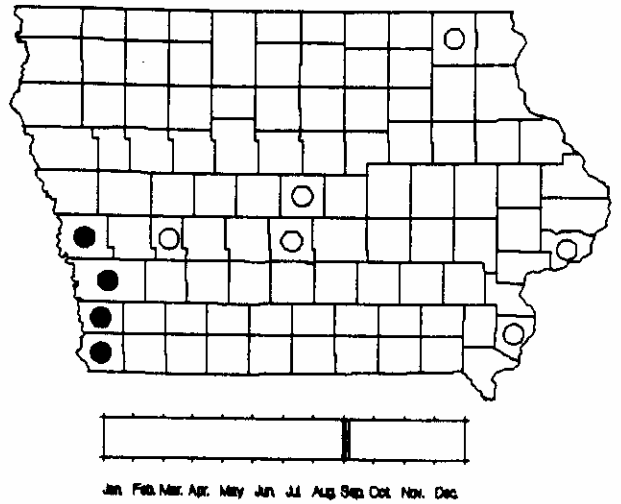
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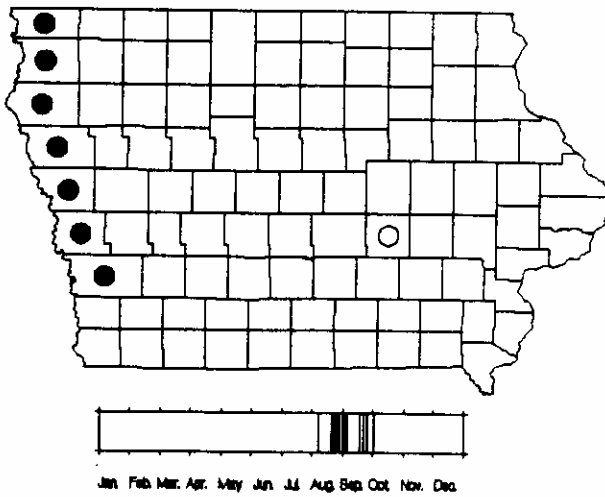


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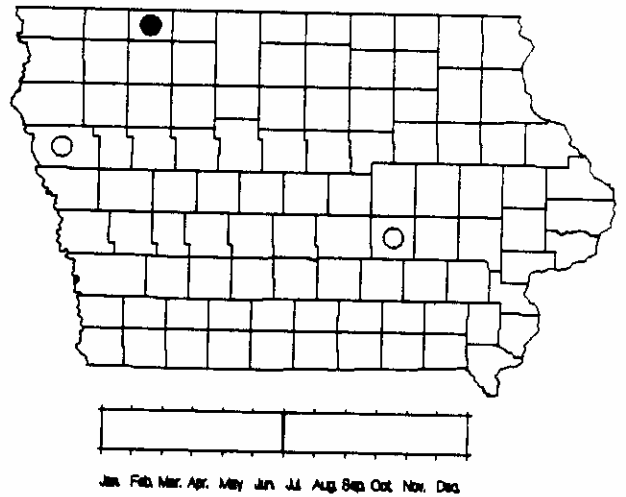


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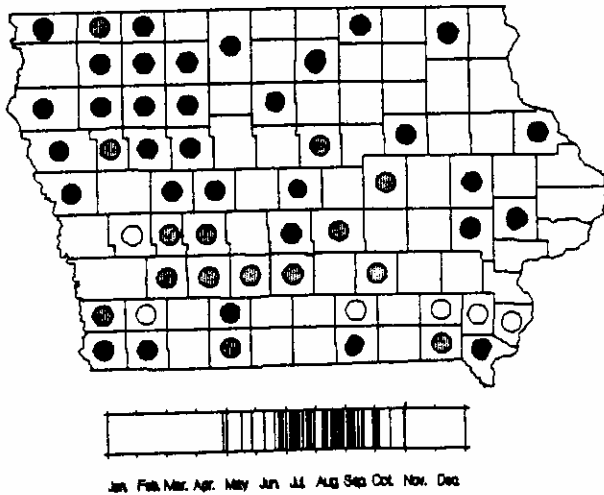
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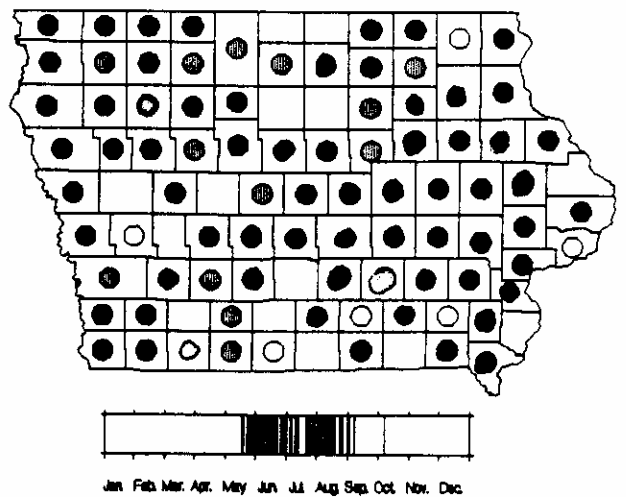
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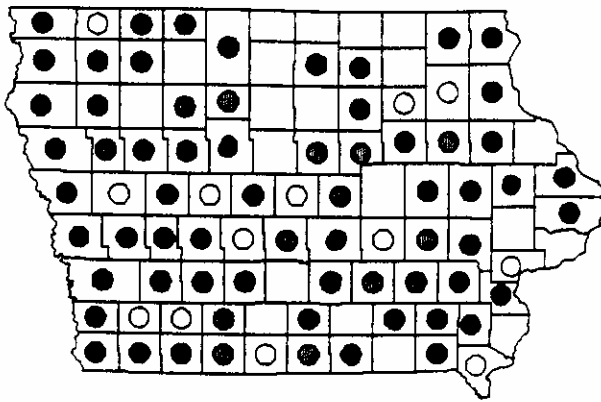


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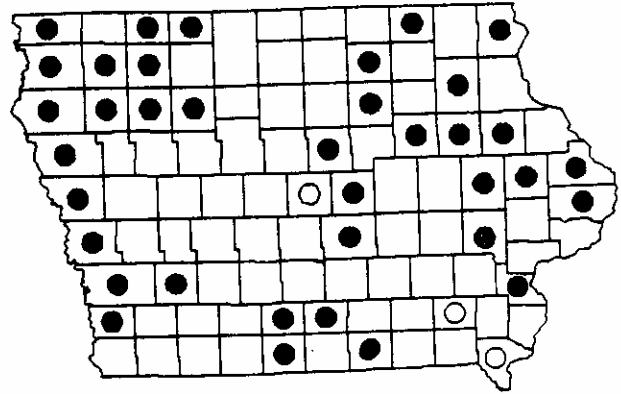
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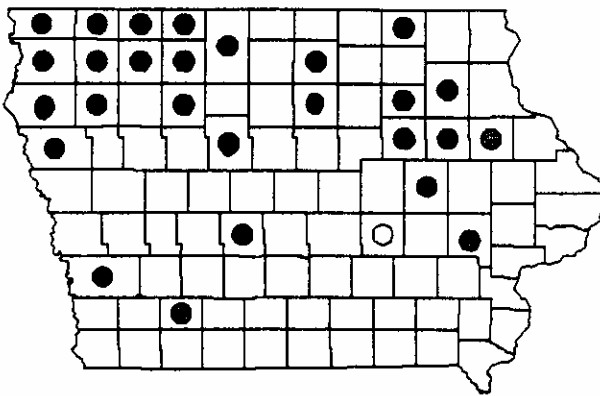
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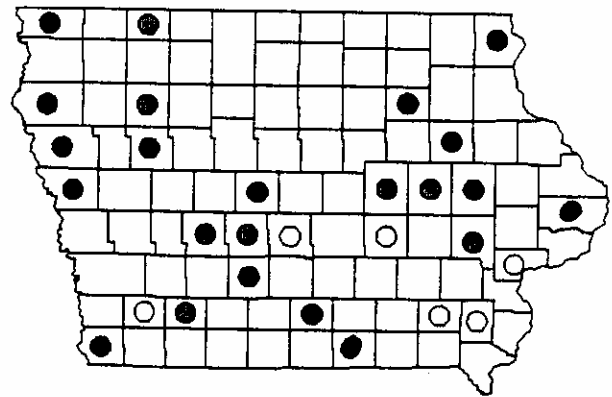
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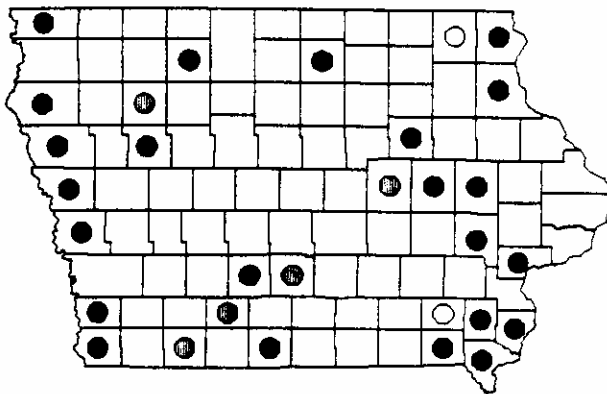
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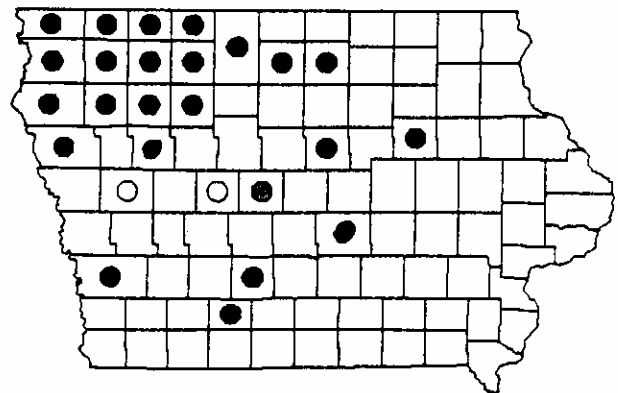
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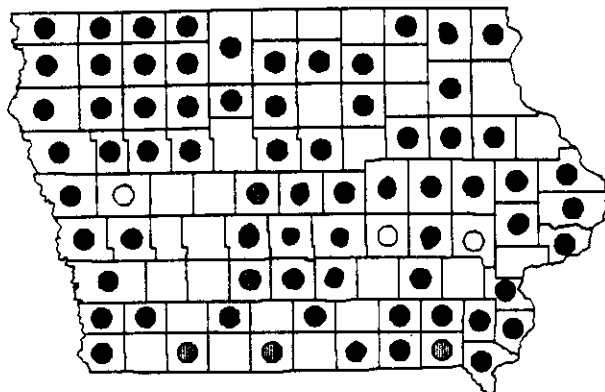
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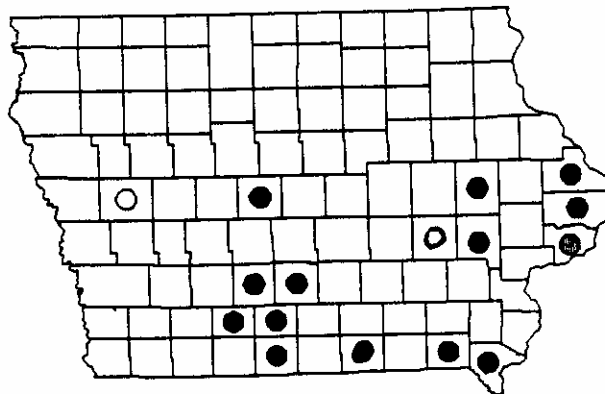
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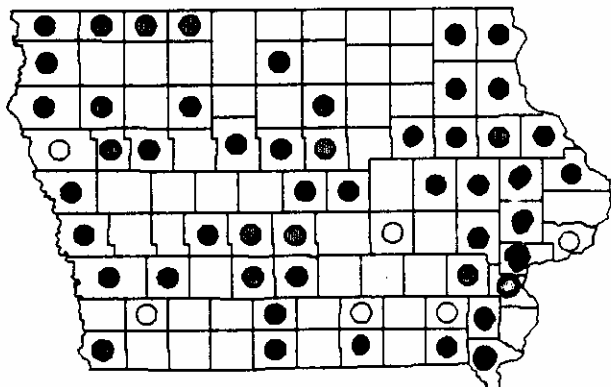
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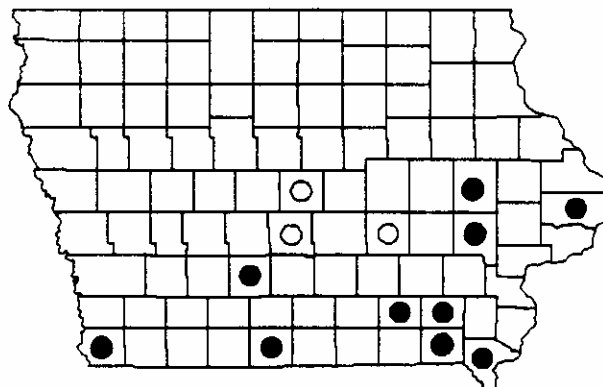
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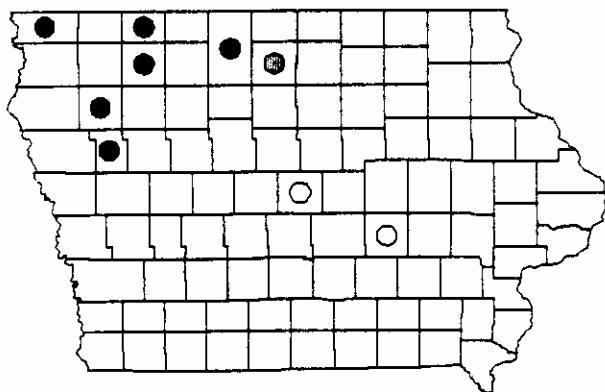
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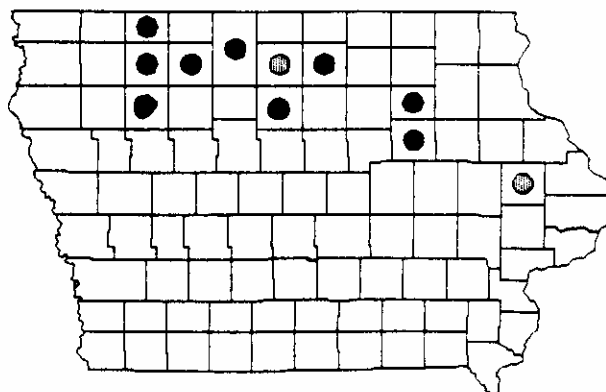
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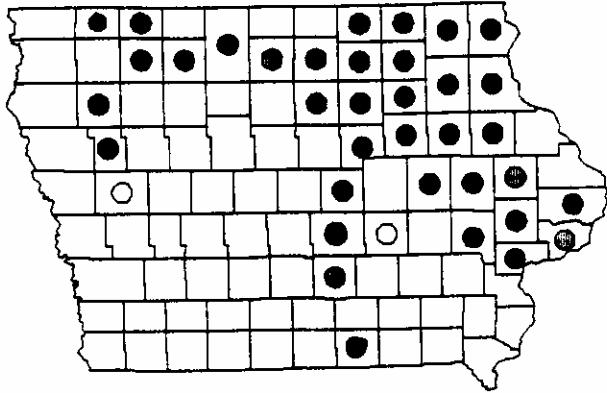
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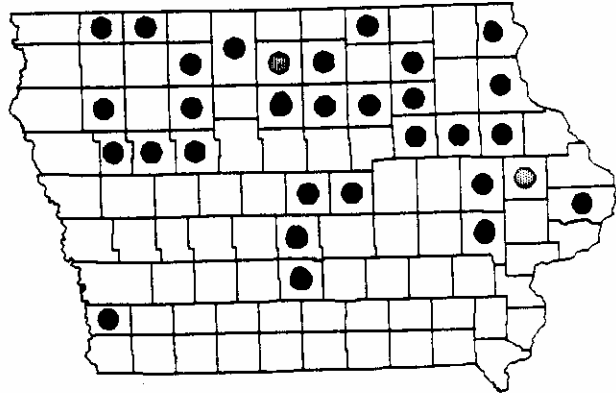
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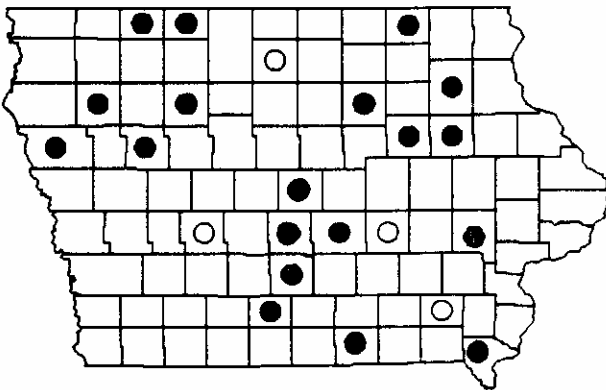
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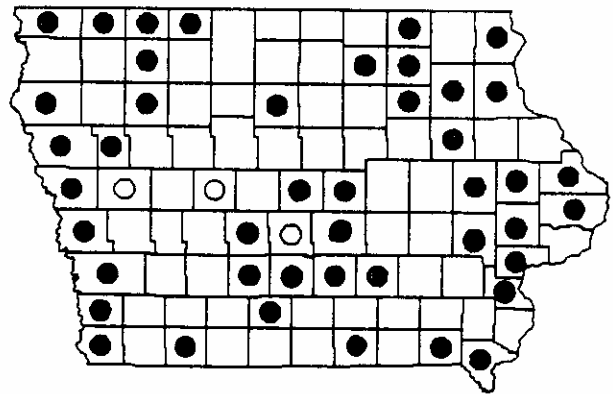
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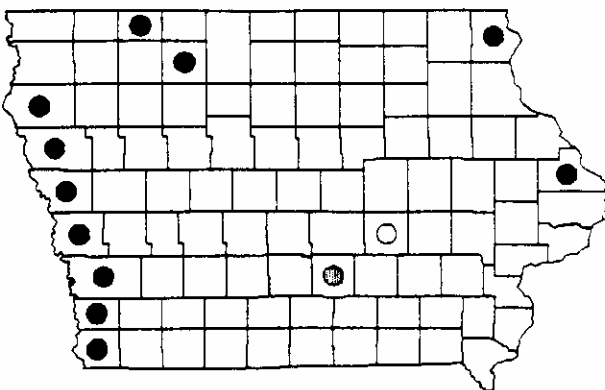
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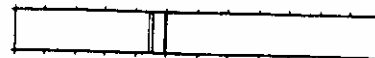
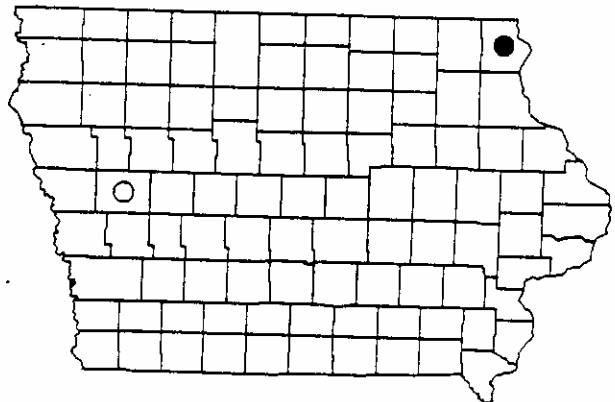
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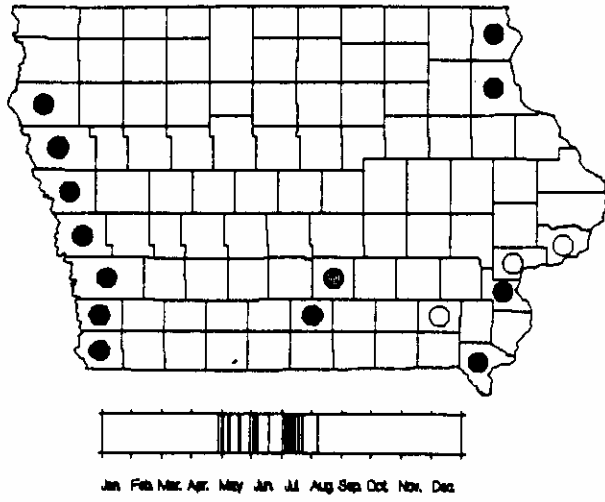
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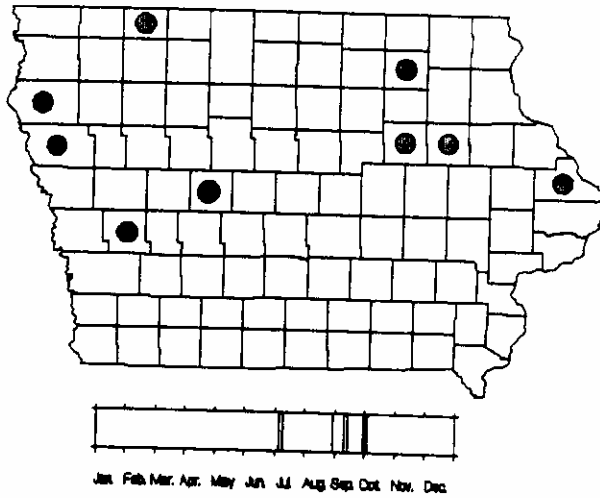
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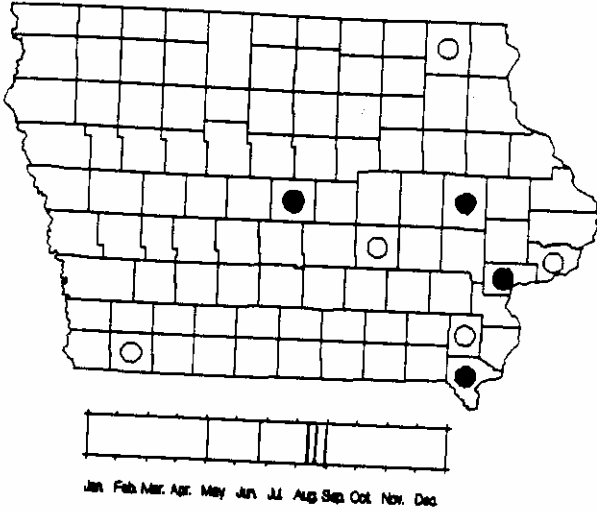
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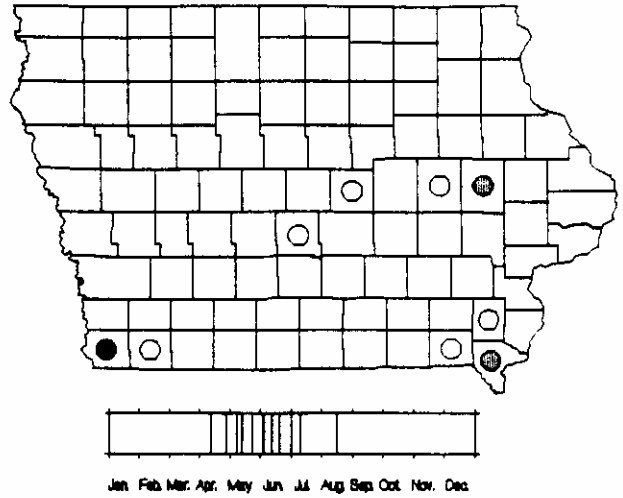


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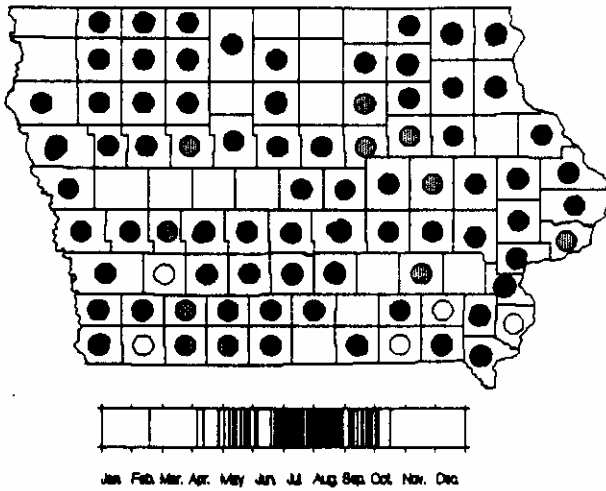
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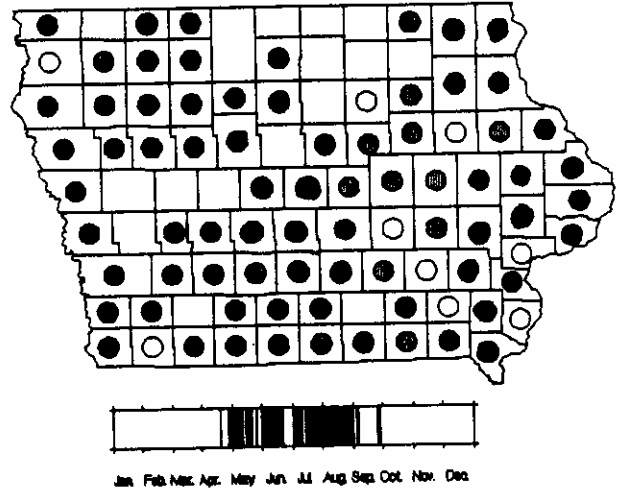
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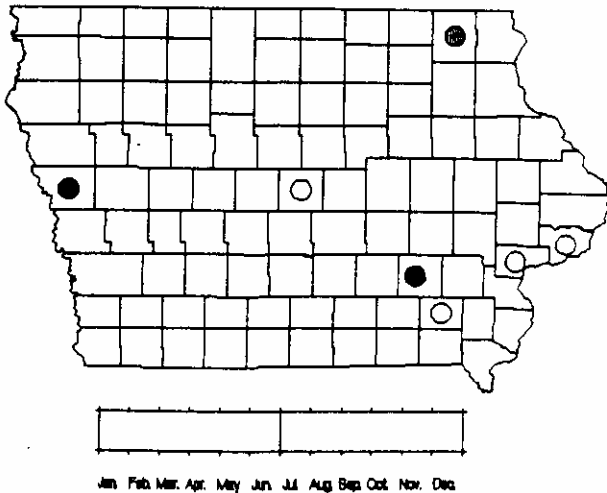
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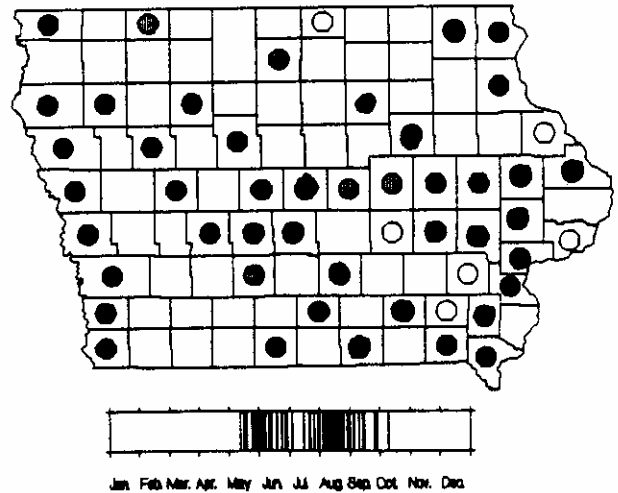
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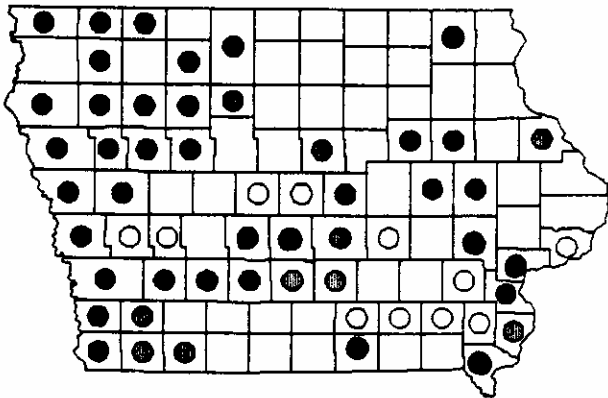


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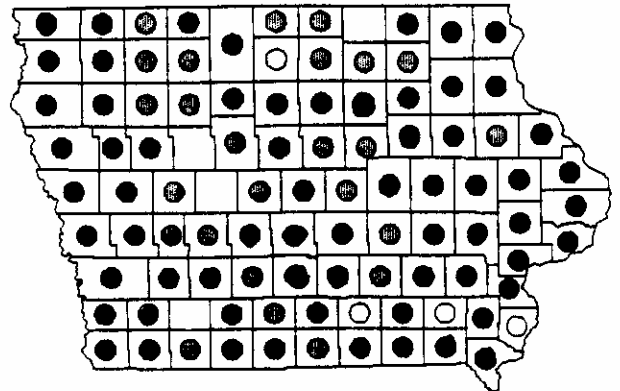
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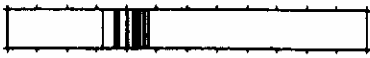
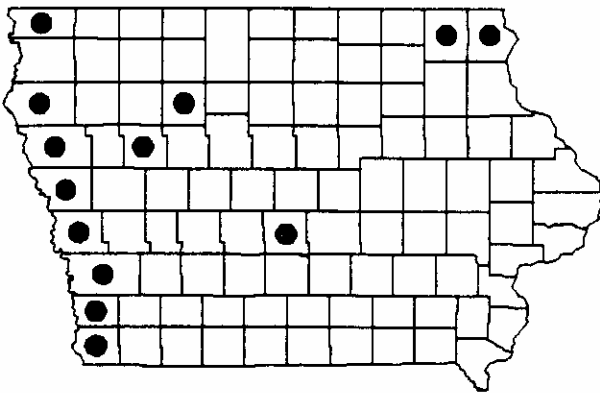
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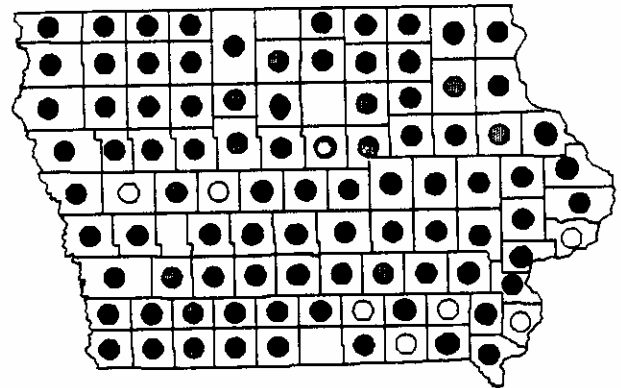
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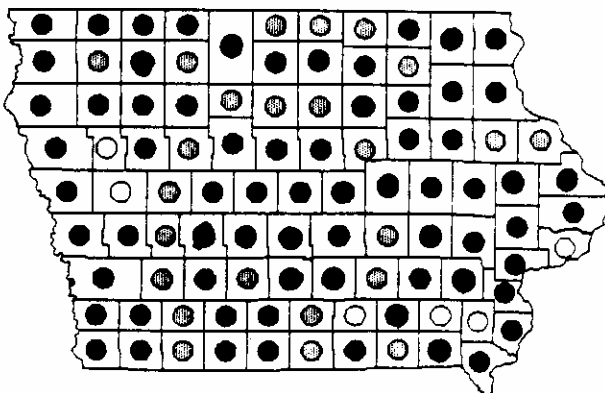
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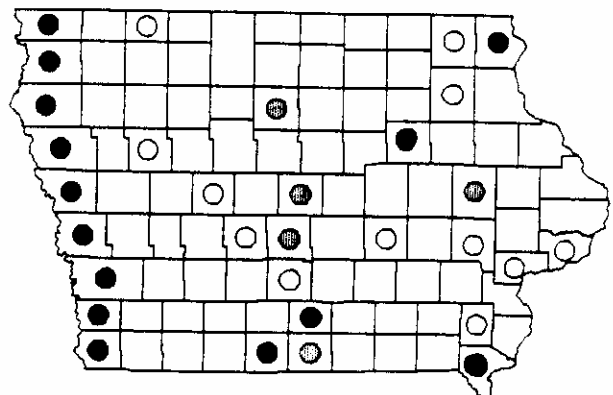
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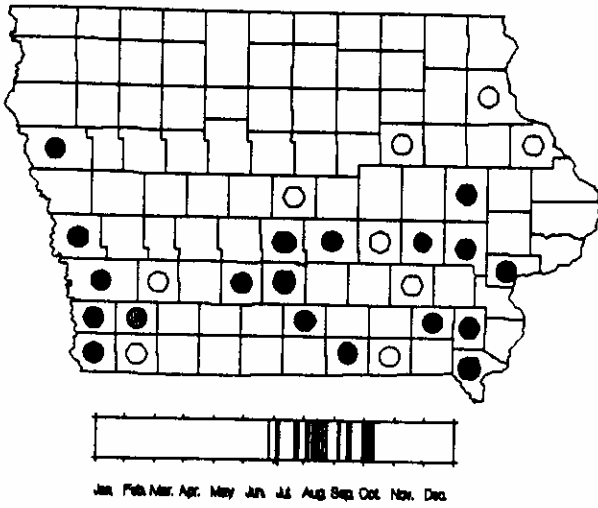
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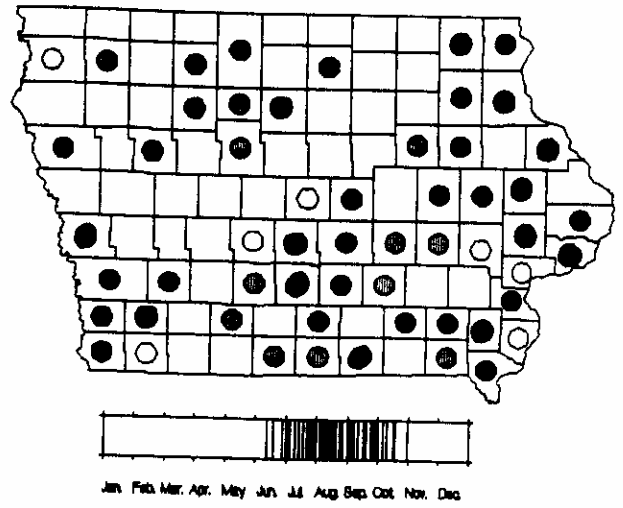


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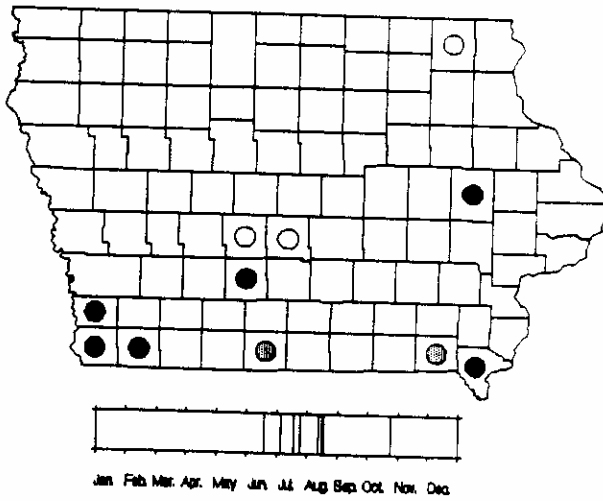
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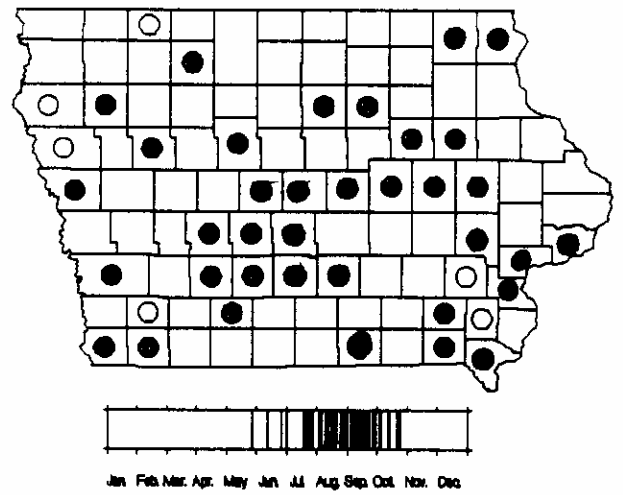
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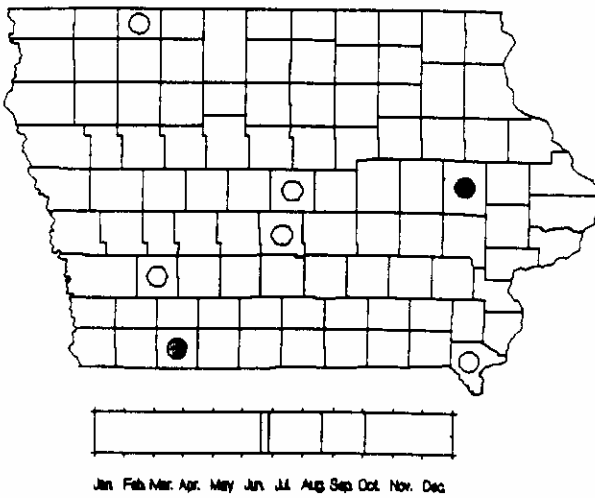
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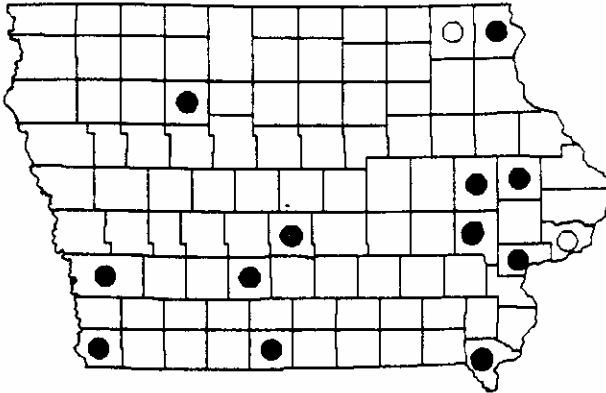
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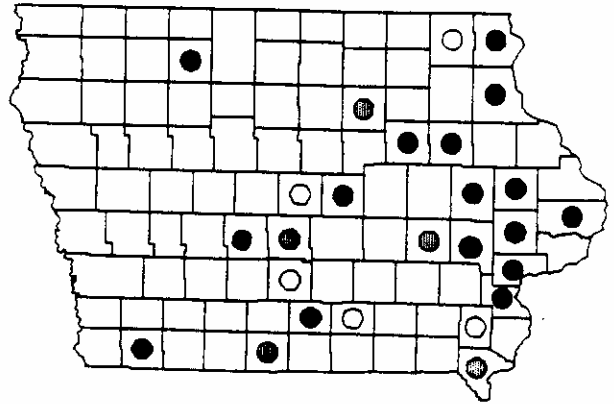


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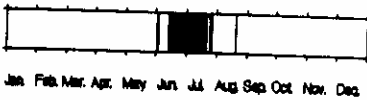
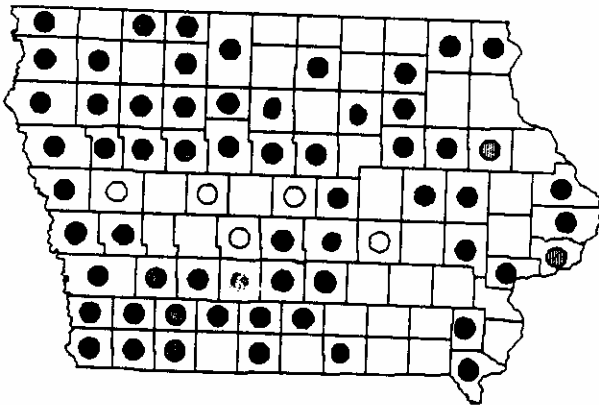
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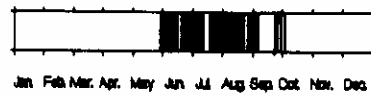
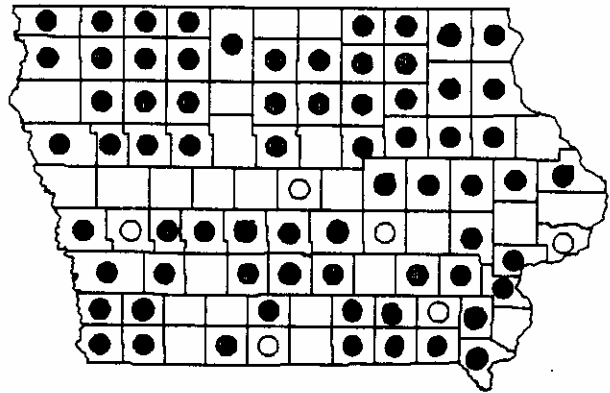
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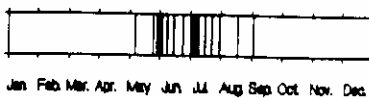
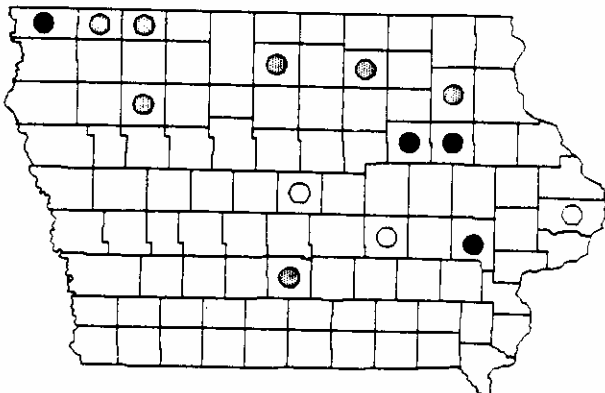
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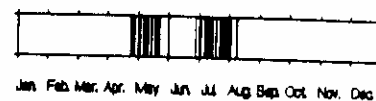
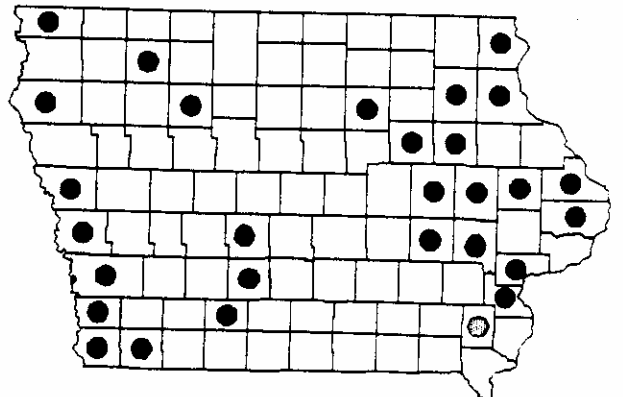
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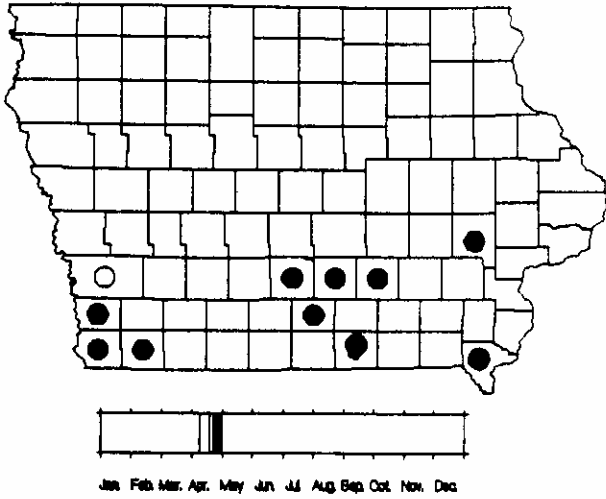
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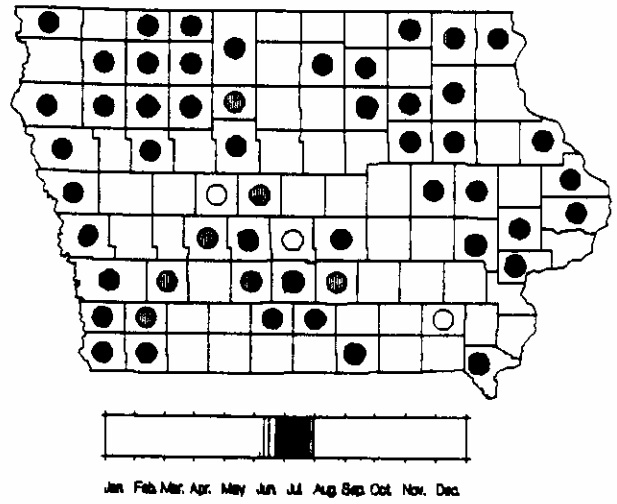
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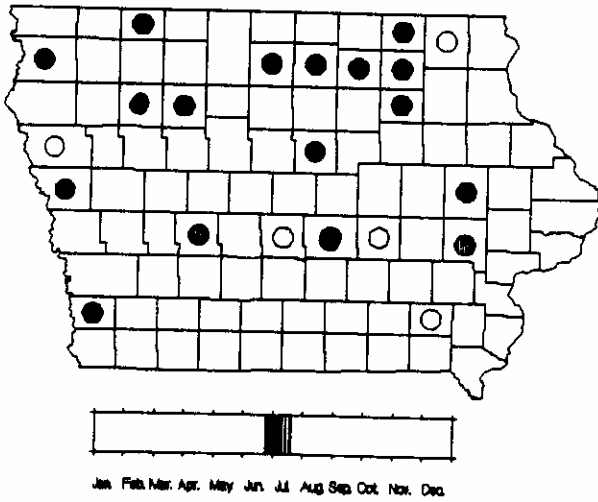
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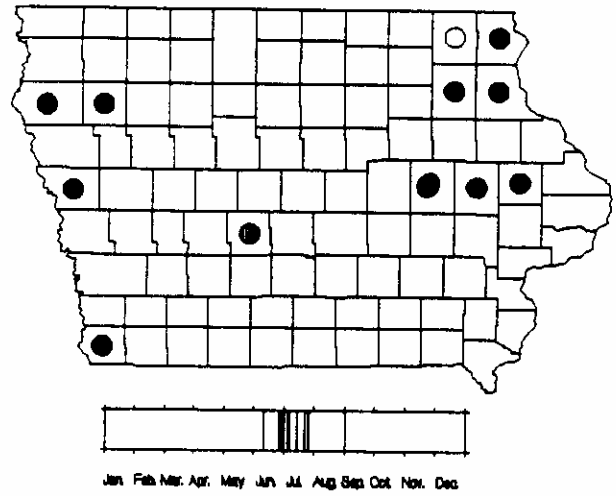
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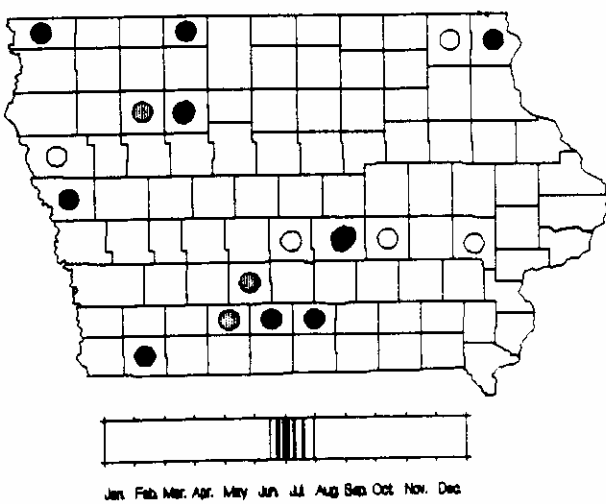
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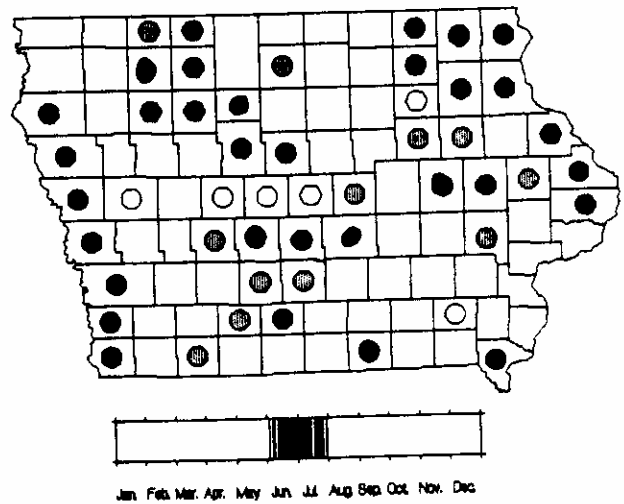
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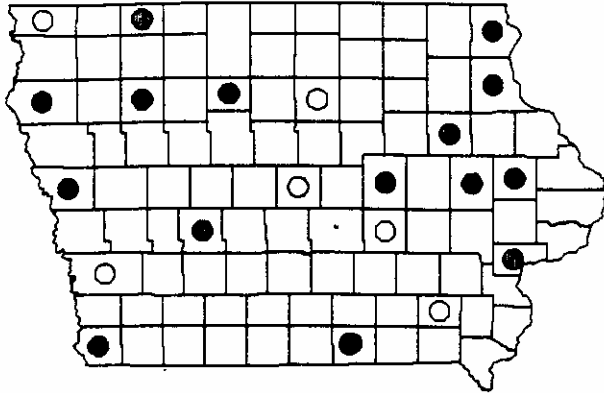
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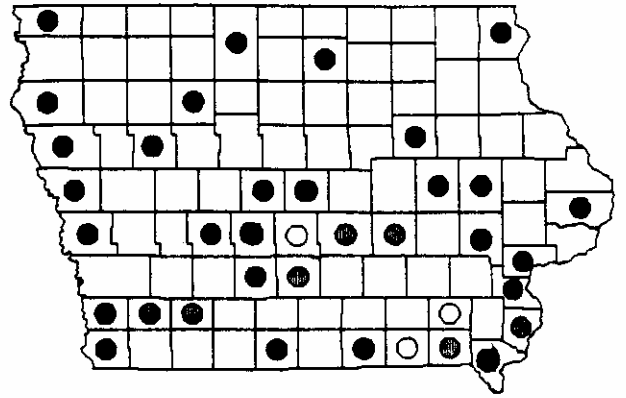
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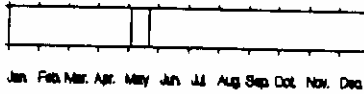
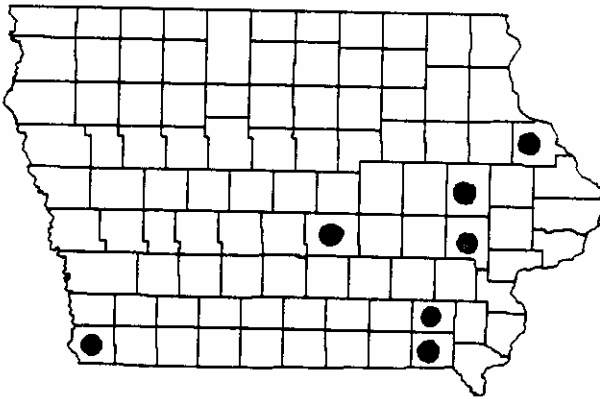
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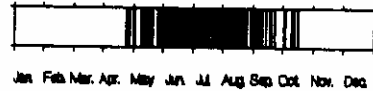
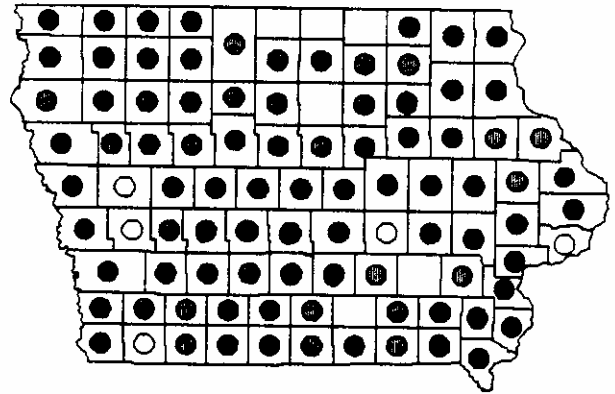
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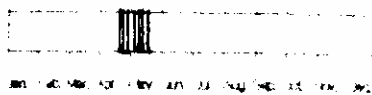
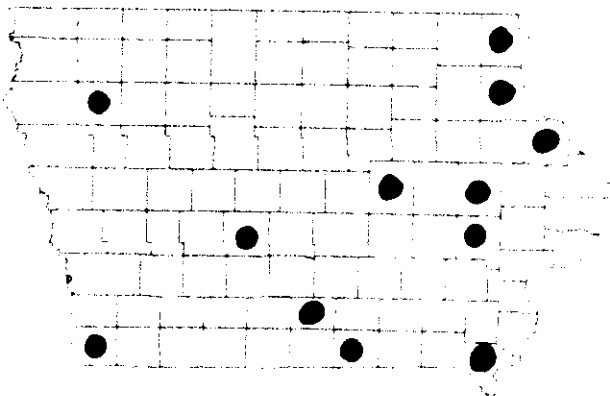
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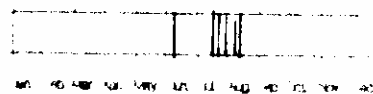
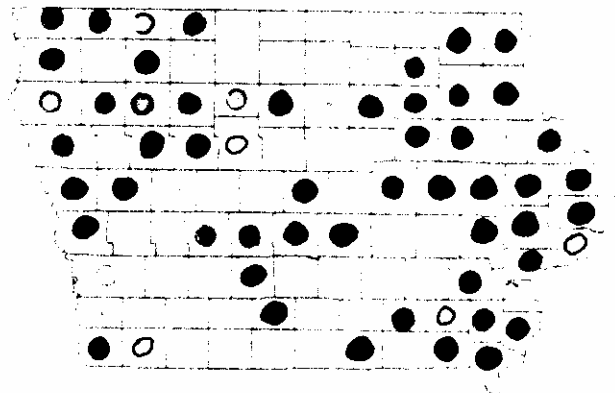
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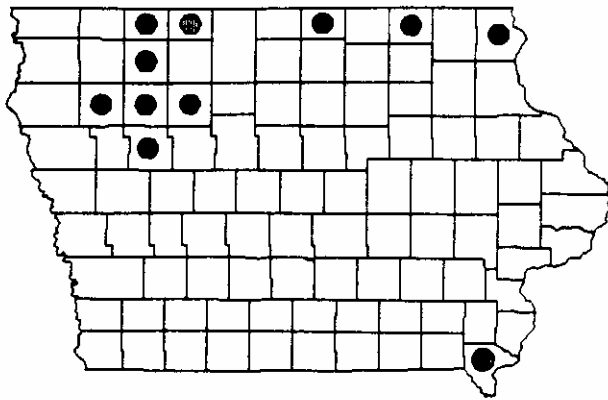


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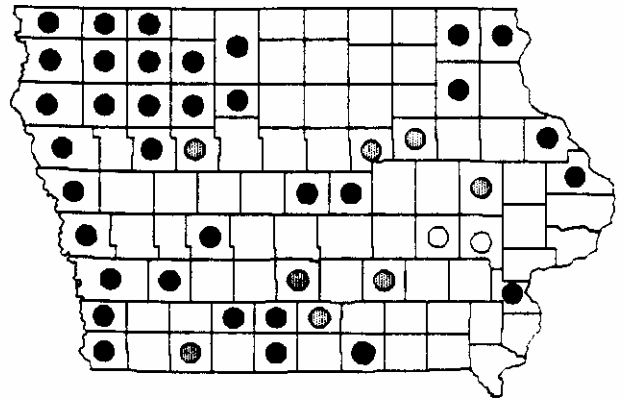
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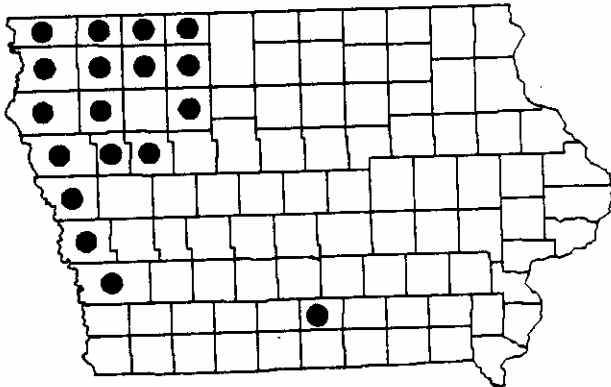
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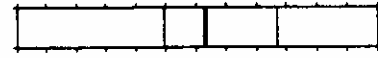
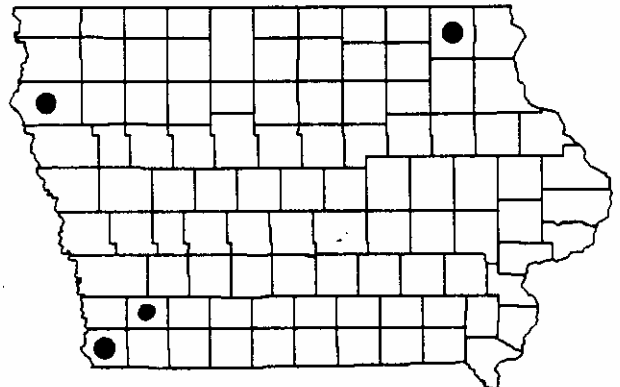
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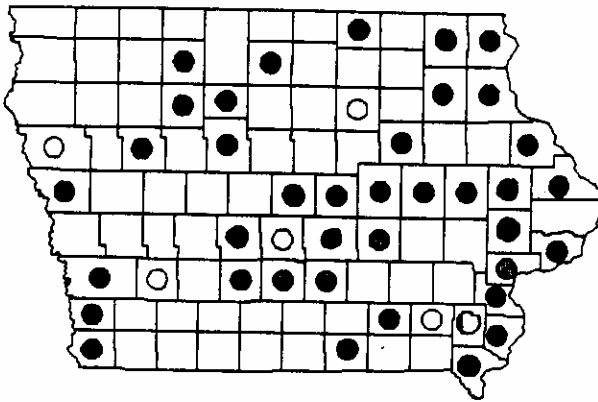


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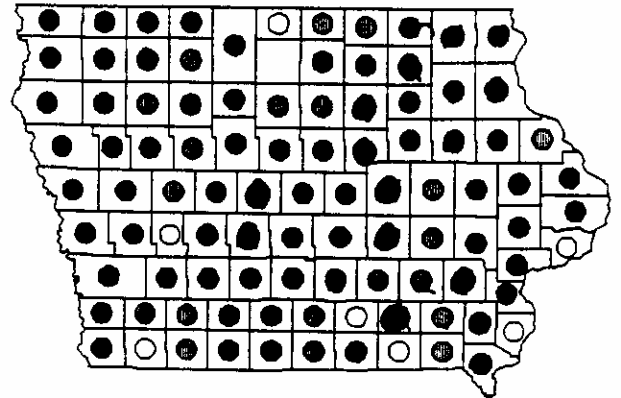
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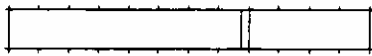
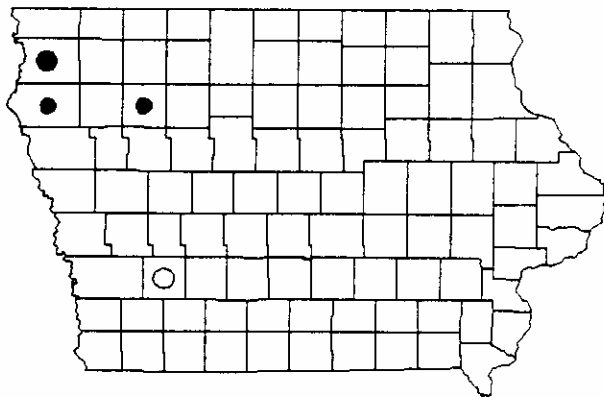
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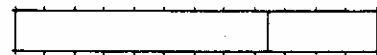
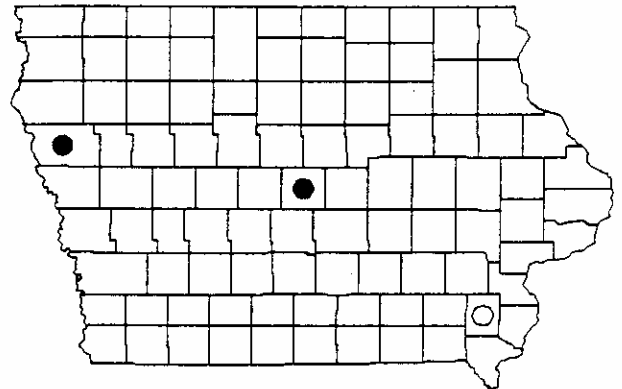
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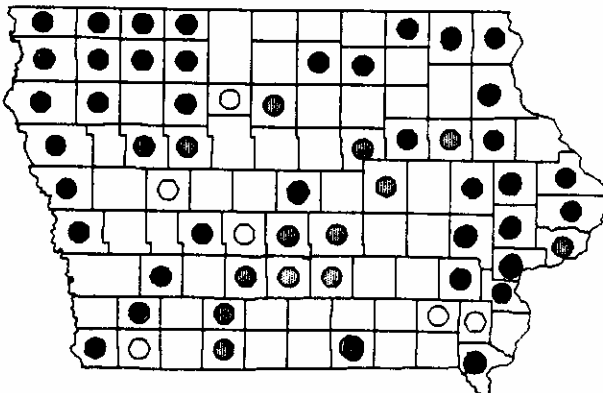
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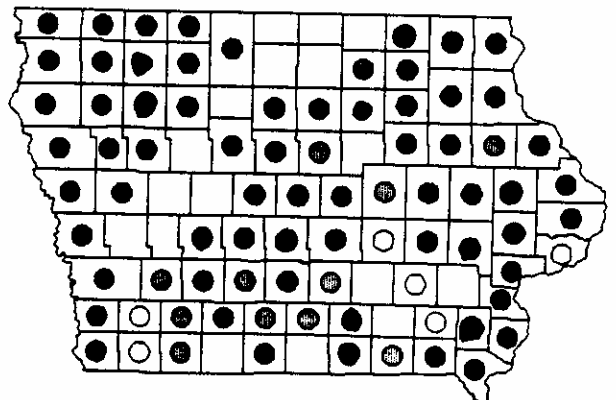
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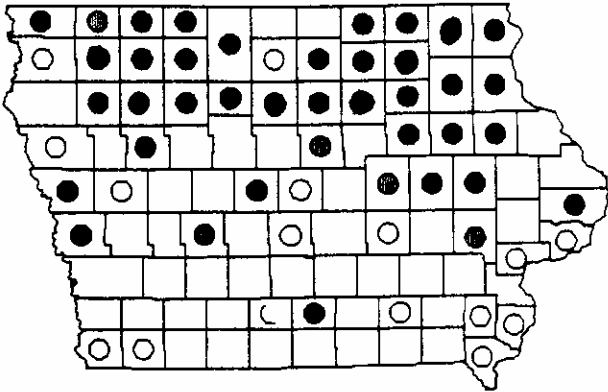
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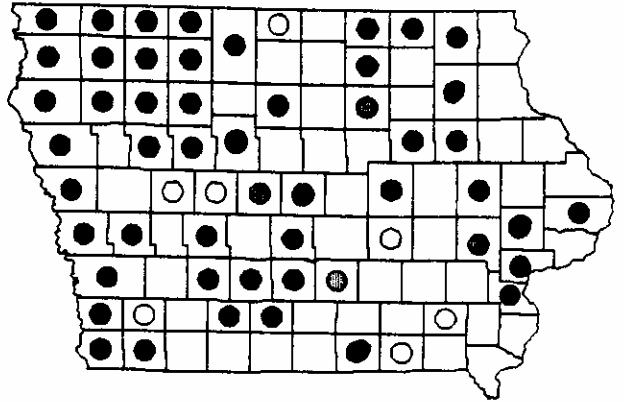
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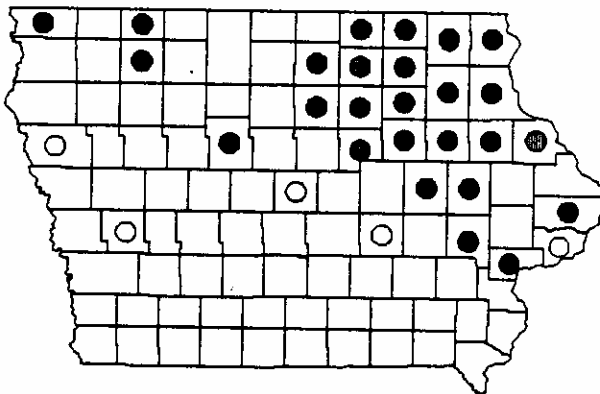


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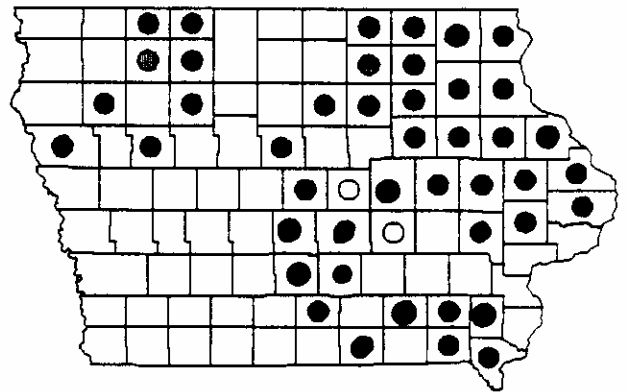
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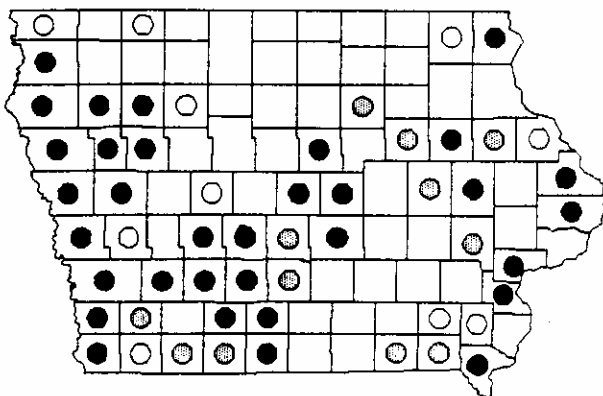
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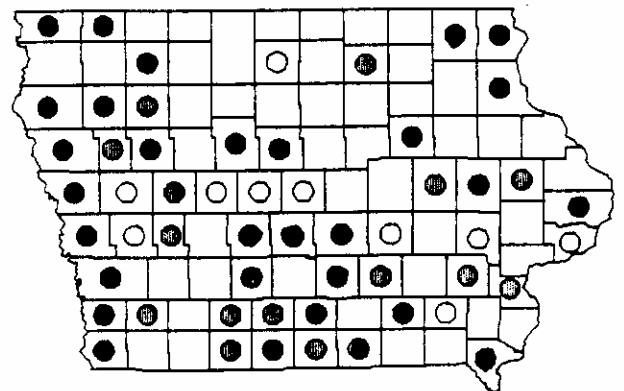
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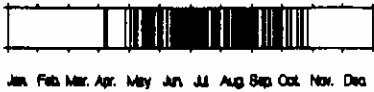
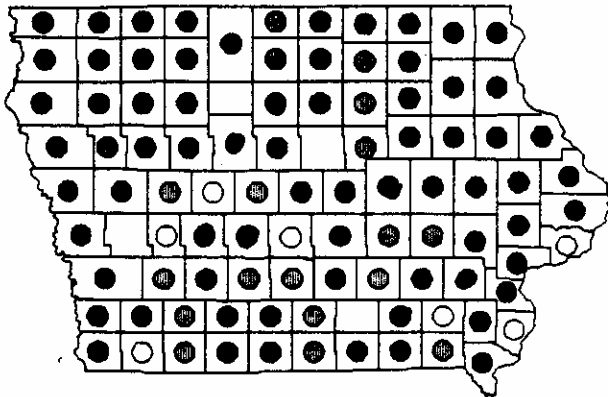


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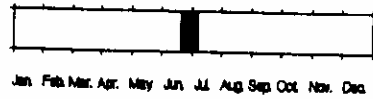
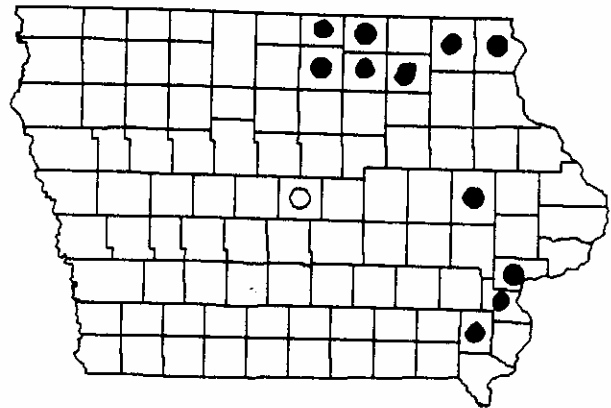


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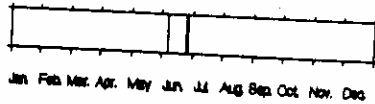
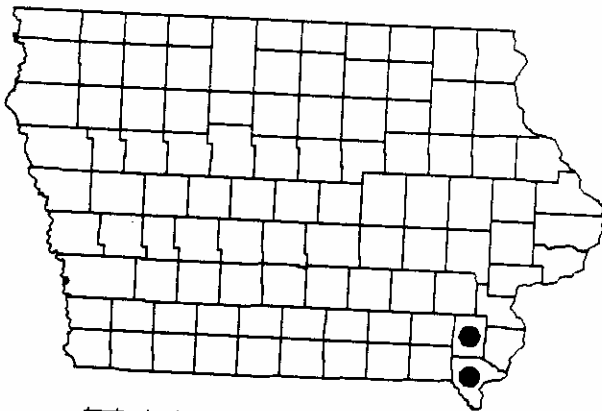
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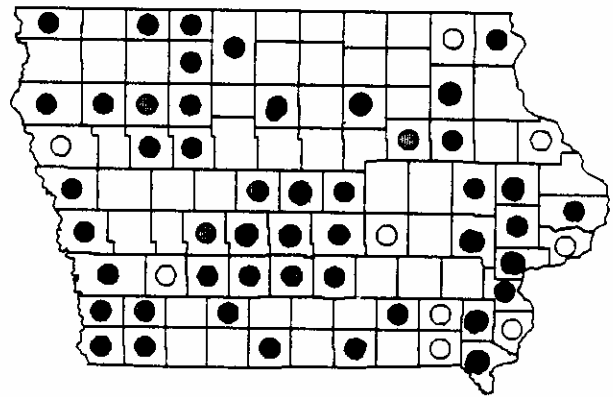
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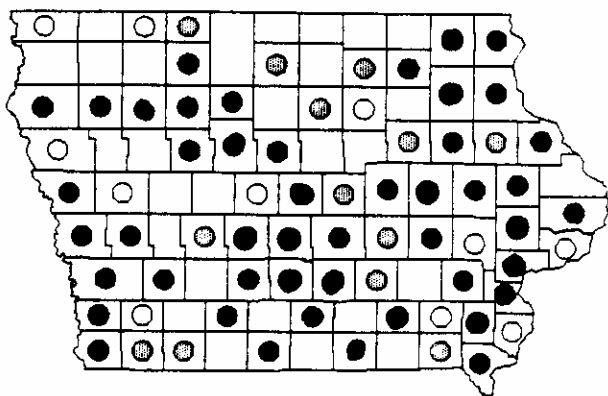
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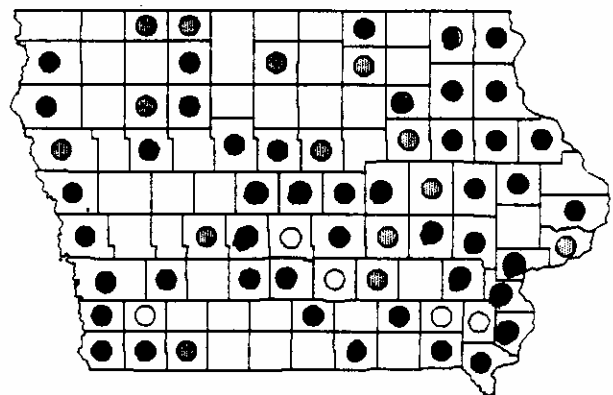
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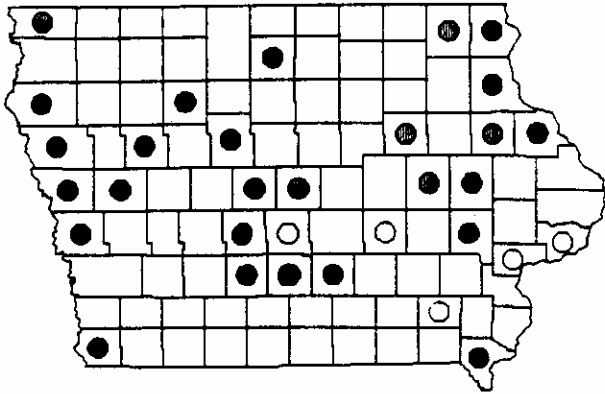
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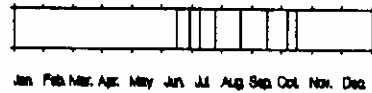
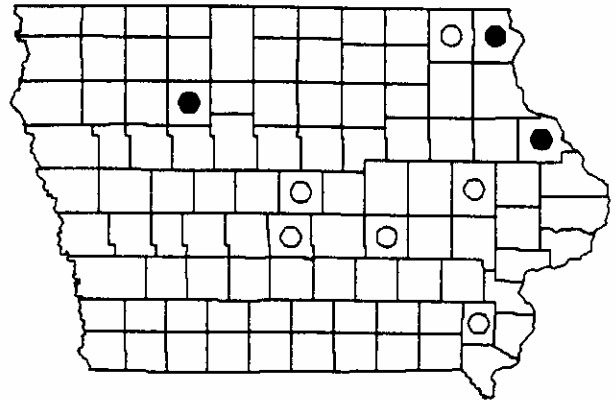
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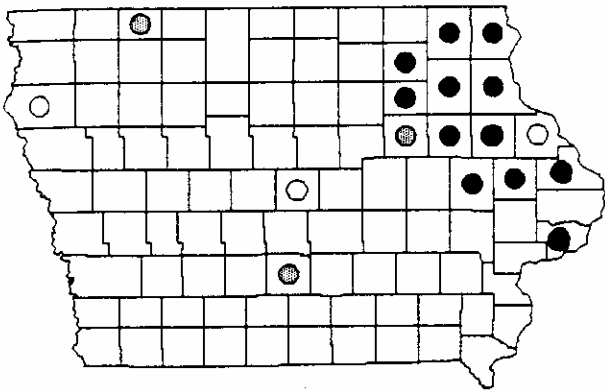
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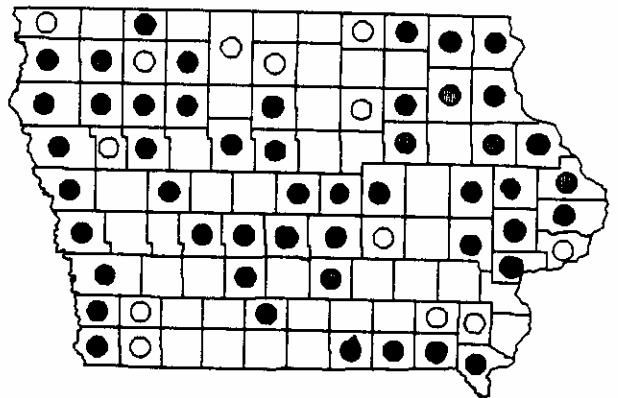
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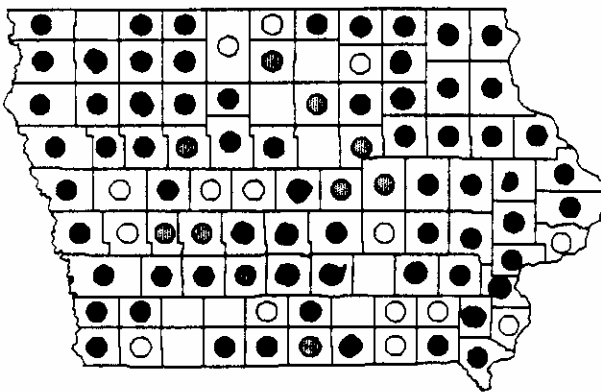
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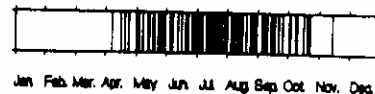
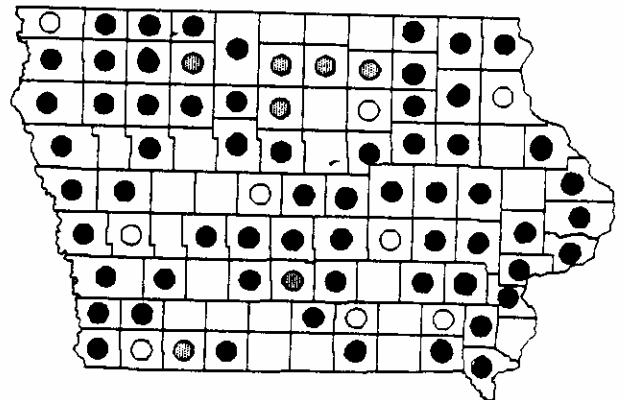
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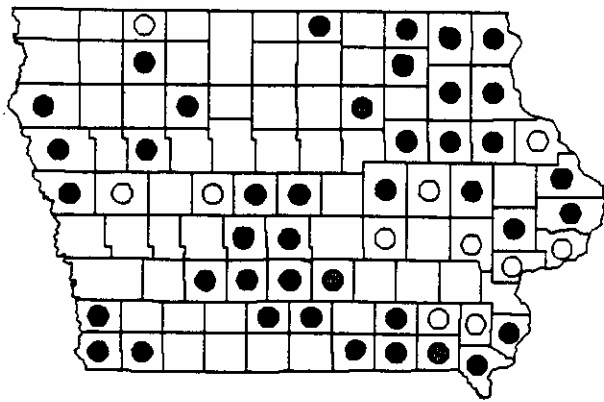


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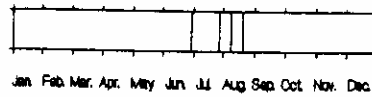
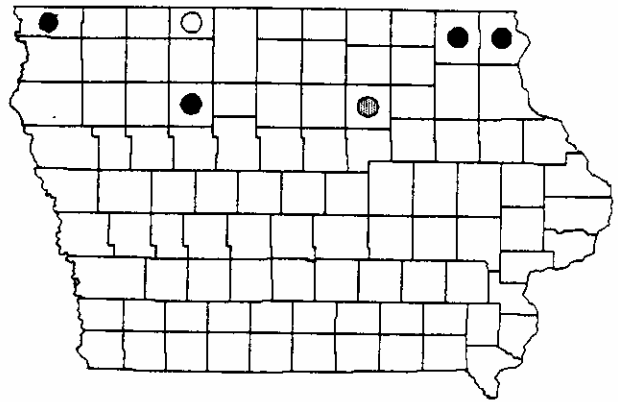




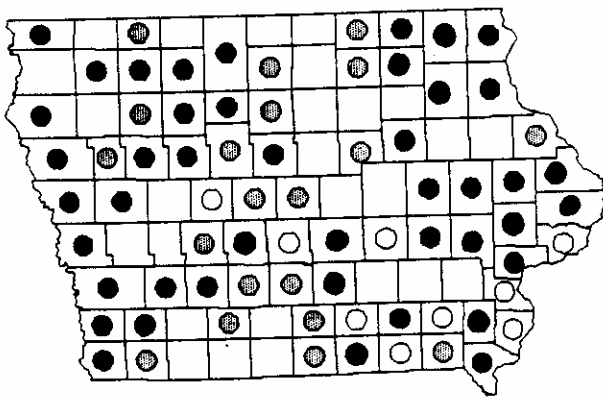
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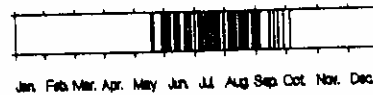
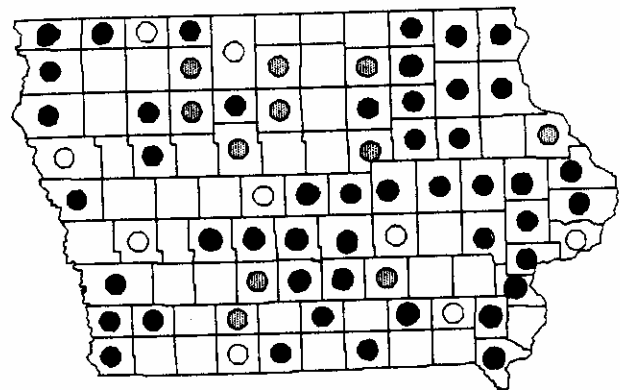
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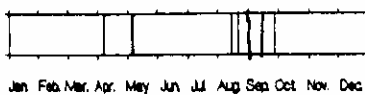
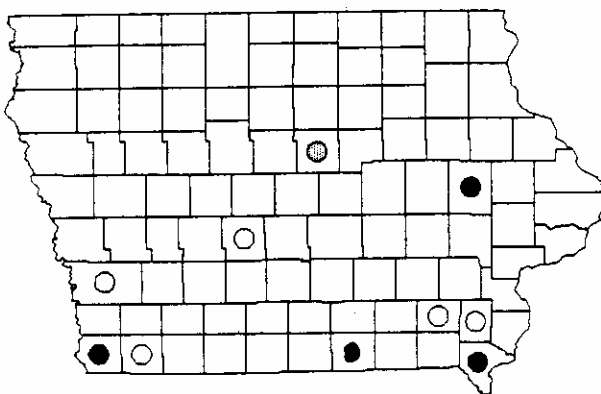
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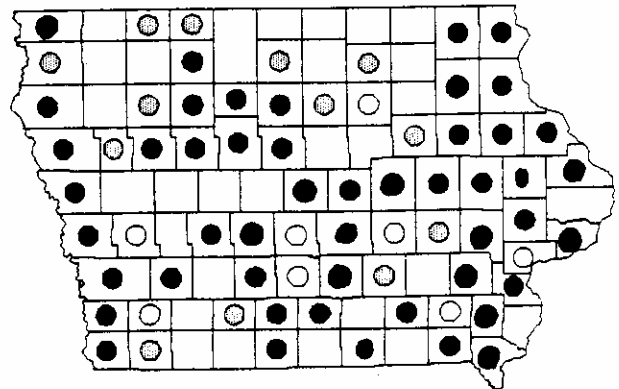
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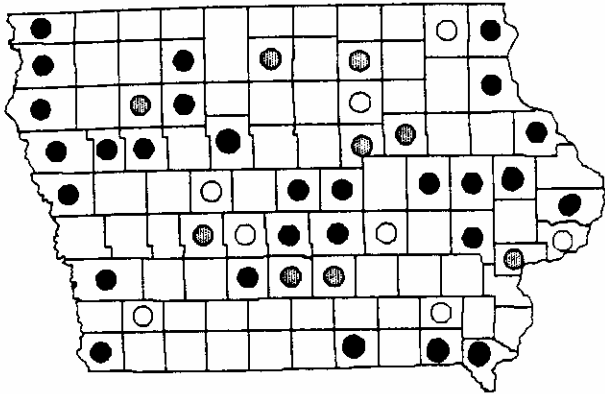


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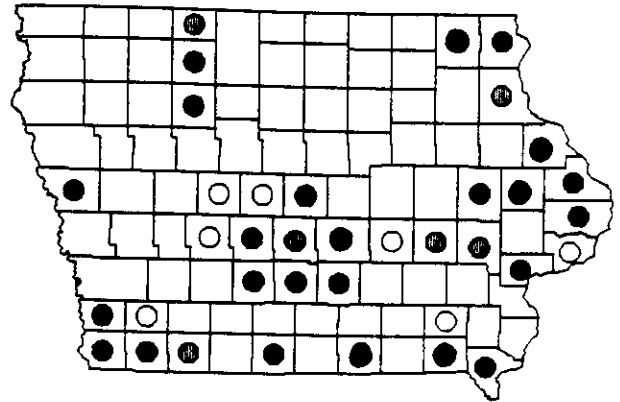
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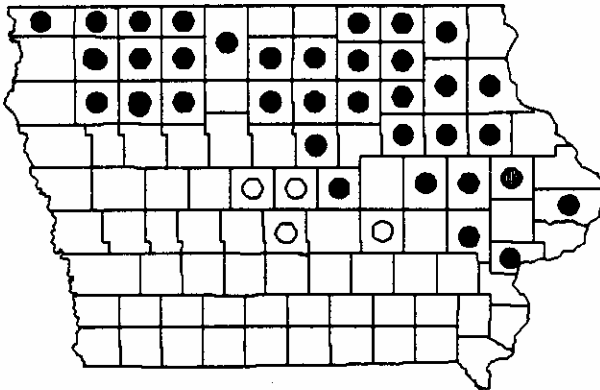
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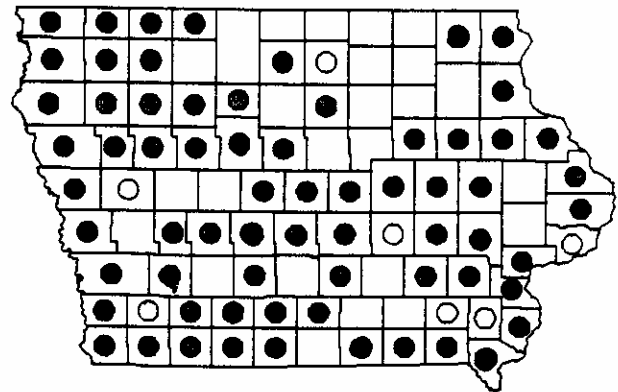
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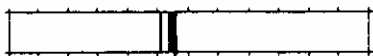
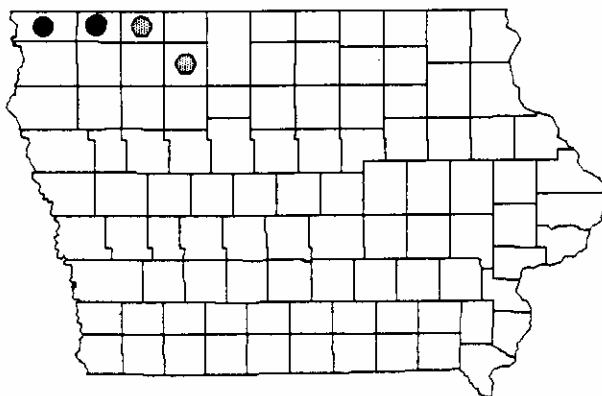
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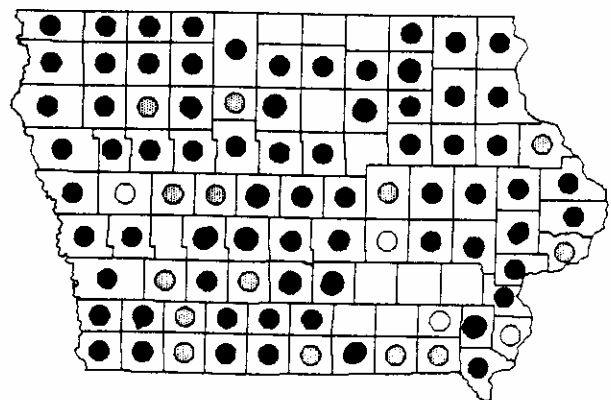
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