



# *Culex erraticus* Biology

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*Culex erraticus* larvae are found in the grassy shallow margins of ponds, lakes, marshes, and streams where they are frequently associated with the larvae of Anopheles mosquito species. The immature stages can be found from about May to October in Brunswick County.

The adults are occasionally seen in large numbers in Brunswick County but are not considered troublesome biters. This mosquito's production excels during drought conditions. This mosquito is the primary *Culex* species during the hot summer months in the county. The females may attack man at night in outdoor situations but that they seem to prefer the blood of fowl. This mosquito has been implicated in disease transmission, so we consider it to of medium importance to our citizens.

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