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The <u>Culex</u> complex is the most abundant mosquito group in the state in every region except the Passaic Valley. <u>Culex</u> species have increased since the last report in regions A, C, and D. <u>Culex</u> species have decreased slightly in region E and have decreased markedly in region F, since the last report.

Aedes vexans is the most abundant species in only one region, Passaic Valley. This is due to the flooding which occurred on August 2 (not late July as mentioned in last report). A. vexans has declined in this region since the last report. A. vexans has decreased to low levels in all other regions.

In region E, <u>Culiseta melanura</u> remained second most abundant, although it had decreased from the last report. This species appeared in region D at 0.1/t-n. It was recorded in only two traps in region D. In region F, <u>C</u>. melanura declined to one half the level reported in the last report.

A. sollicitans in region F has decreased to less than one half the level in the previous report, bringing it below nuisance level.

Counties submitting data for this report: Atlantic, Bergen, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Essex, Gloucester, Hudson, Hunterdon, Mercer, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Union and Warren.

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REGIONAL LIGHT TRAP SUMMARY

Average mosquitoes per trap-night Aug. 17-23, 1973

Predominant Other important species Region Species Culex complex A. vexans An. punctipennis M. perturbans Region A Northern 5.0 5.7 3.2 0.2 Rural 90* A. vexans Culex complex M. perturbans An. punctipennis Region B Passaic. 26.5 1.9 0.4 0.1 Valley 75 Region C Culex complex A. vexans An. punctipennis An. quadrimaculatus Rural 2.8 2.4 1.2 0.3 42 Culex complex A. vexans M. perturbans A. sollicitans Region D An. punctipennis Irban C. melanura 33.2 0.2 Corridor 8.9 0.1 102 Region E C. melanura Culex complex A. vexans M. perturbans Coastal 7.1 3.1 0.9 0.6 Plain 61 A. sollicitans C. melanura Culex complex An. bradleyi Region F Coastai 23.2 8.6 5.1 2.7 Wetlands 89

^{*}Number of trap-nights per region.