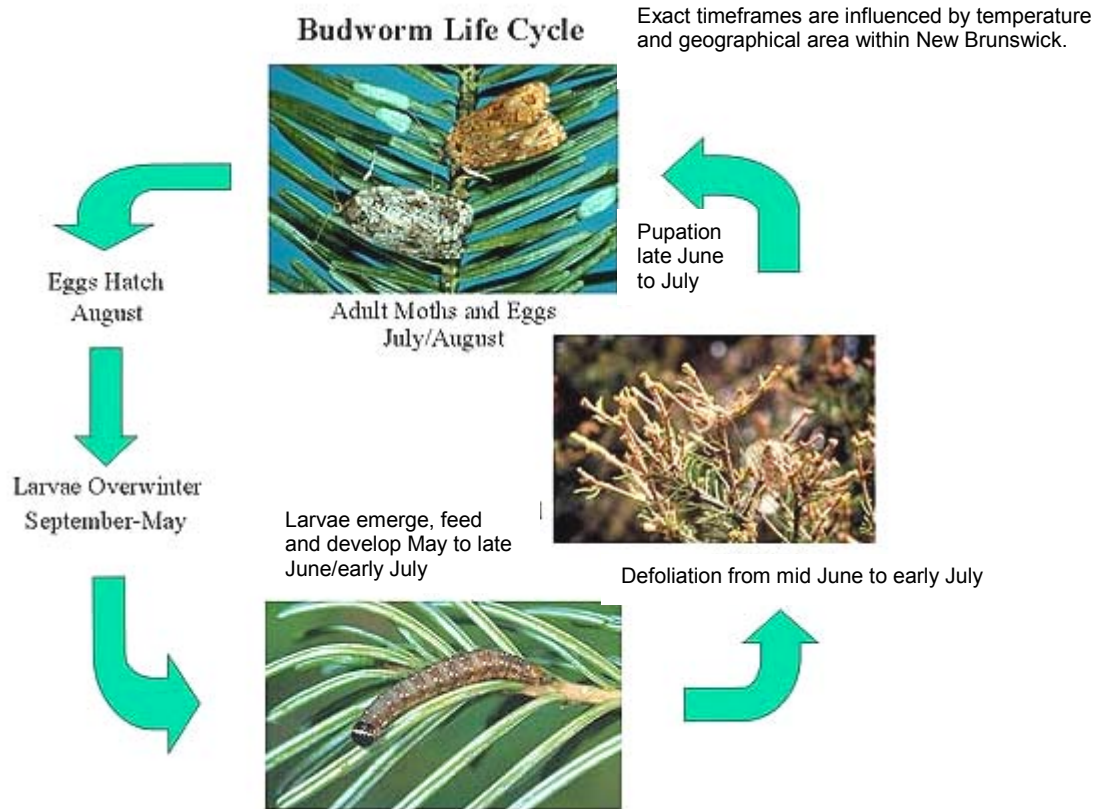


Did you find spruce budworm?



Spruce budworm easiest to see from mid-June to early July.

(Exact timeframes are influenced by temperature and geographical area within New Brunswick)

Mature larvae may be seen mid-June to early July.



Pupae seen late June to mid July.



A moth emerges from its pupal case. Empty pupal cases can be seen from mid-July to fall.

If you think you have found spruce budworm, please contact Forest Pest Management Group, New Brunswick Natural Resources at 506-453-7930

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Budworm defoliation easiest to see from mid-June to mid July.

Spruce budworm larvae mainly feed on new-growth needles of fir and spruce. Reddish, partially chewed needles (and missing needles) are most evident at this time of year. Soon the wind and rain knock off the damaged needles.

Severe defoliation on spruce



Defoliation on balsam fir



Red needles and insect droppings (frass) on spruce branch



Healthy shoots (left) and severe defoliation (right)



Defoliated trees on hillside



Defoliation as seen from aircraft



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