



#### **Plant diversity**

- Flower shape and size
- Seasonality
  - 3-5 plant species flowering in each season
- Color
- Reward: pollen and nectar
- Native and ornamental



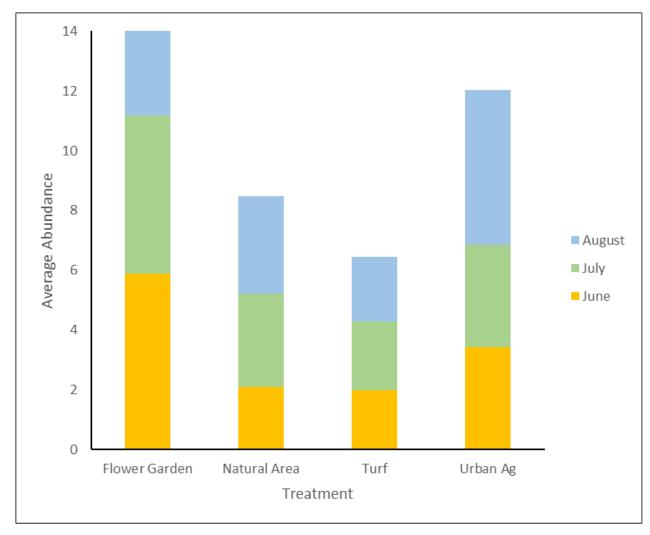
#### **Peak Bee Activity**

Family	Genus	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov
Colletidae	Colletes				*	*	*				
Colletidae	Hylaeus					*	*				
Andrenidae	Andrena			*	*	*					
Andrenidae	Perdita				*	*	*				
Melittidae	Melitta			*							
Halictidae	Halictus					*	*				
Halictidae	Lasioglossum				*	*	*				
Halictidae	Augochlorella				*	*	*	*			
Megachilidae	Osmia			*	*	*					
Megachilidae	Megachile				*	*					
Apidae	Anthophora				*	*	*				
Apidae	Bombus				*	*	*				
Apidae	Ceratina				*	*	*				
Apidae	Melissodes							*	*		
Apidae	Xylocopa				*	*	*				

Source: Bees in Your Backyard

#### **Pollinators in Urban Green**

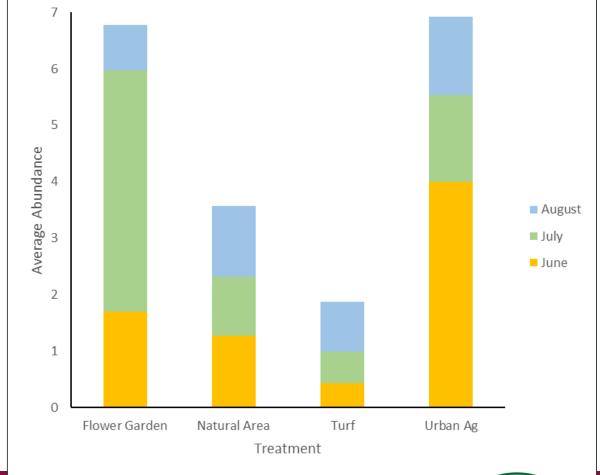
**Spaces** 







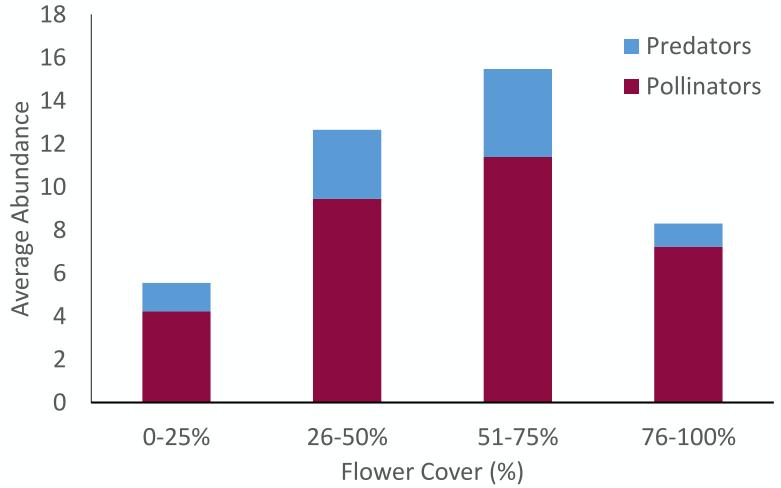
Natural Enemies in Urban Green Spaces







#### Flower coverage matters







#### **Perennial Plants Research**

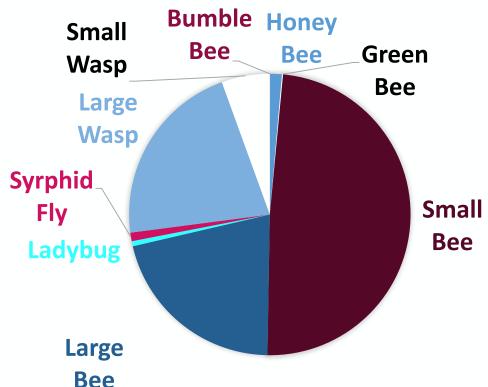
#### **Pollinators**

- Large Bees
- Small Bees
- Green Bees
- Bumble Bees
- Honey Bees

#### **Natural Enemies**

- Large Wasps
- Small Wasps
- Ladybugs
- Syrphid Flies

#### **Upright prairie coneflower** (*Ratibida columnifera*)

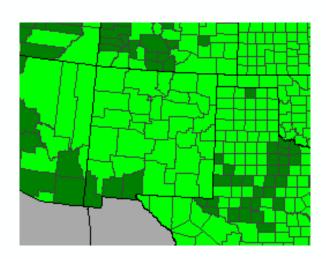




**TOTAL VISITS: 3266** 

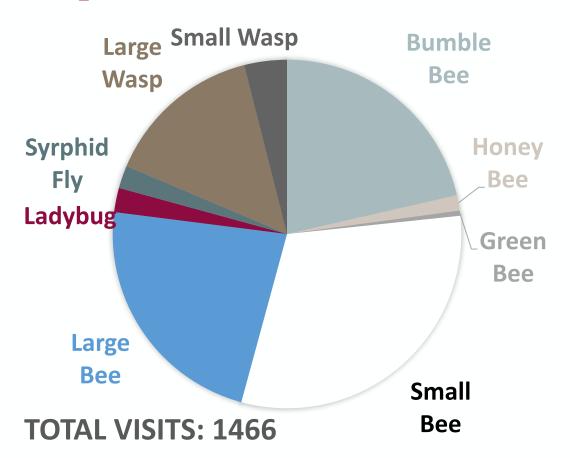
#### **Upright prairie coneflower** (*Ratibida columnifera*)

	_	_		_	_		Aug- late	_	_	
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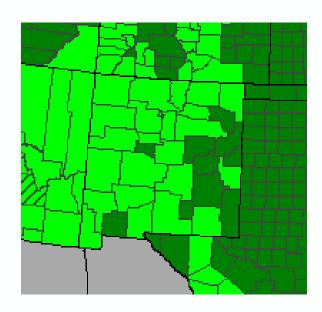
## Wild bergamont (Monarda fistulosa)





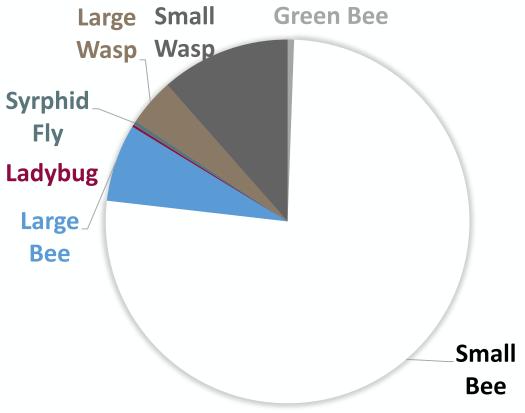
## Wild bergamont (Monarda fistulosa)

May- early	May- late		_	_	_	_	_	Oct- early





#### Butterfly milkweed (Asclepias tuberosa)



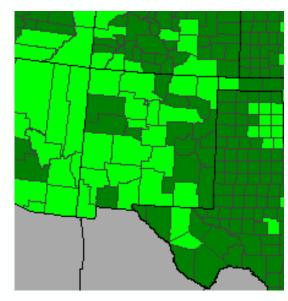


**TOTAL VISITS: 522** 

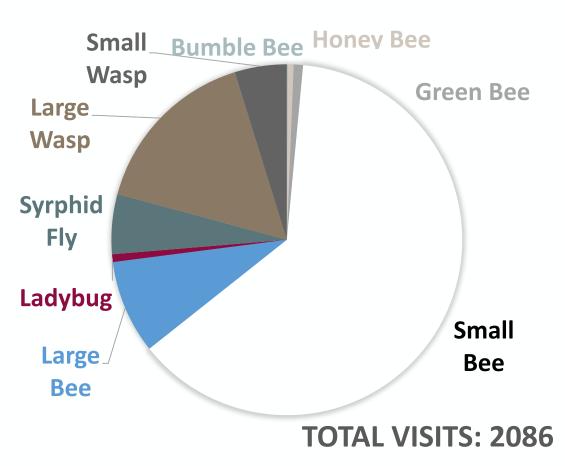
### Butterfly milkweed (Asclepias tuberosa)

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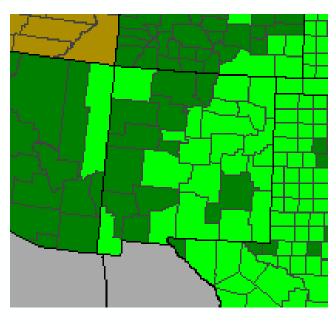
## Englemann's daisy (Engelmannia peristemia)





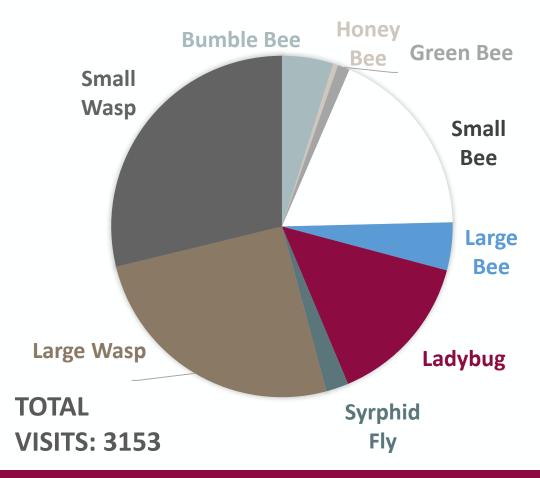
# Englemann's daisy (Engelmannia peristemia)

May-										
early	late	early								





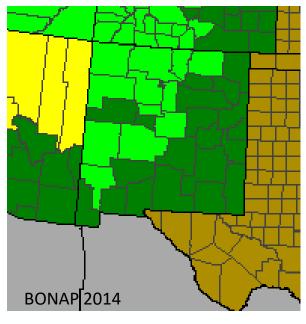
## Rocky Mountain penstemon (Penstemon strictus)





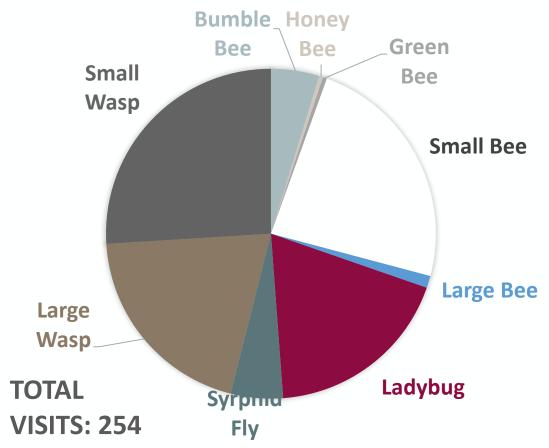
## Rocky Mountain penstemon (Penstemon strictus)

May- late		1		Aug- late		Oct- early





## Palmers penstemon (*Penstemon palmeri*)

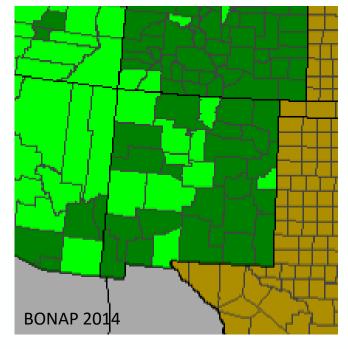




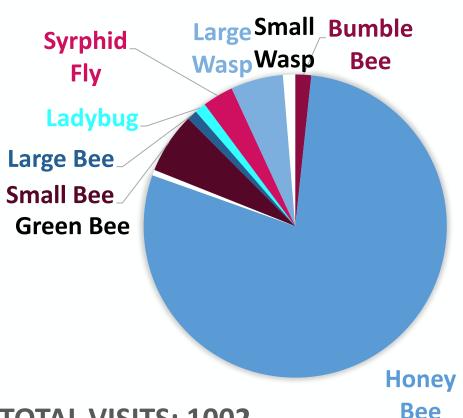
## Palmers penstemon (Penstemon palmeri)

May-	May-	June-	June-	July-	July-	Aug-	Aug-	Sept-	Sept-	Oct-
early	late	early	late	early	late	early	late	early	late	early





## Riddells ragwort (Senecio riddelli)





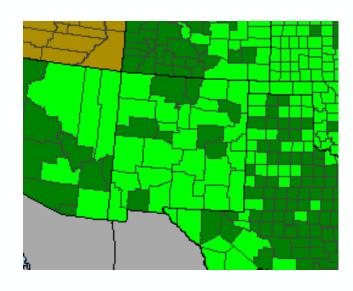
**TOTAL VISITS: 1002** 



# Riddells ragwort (Senecio riddelli)



	May- late					Oct- early
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#### **Observe flower visitors**











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