

## Nectar Flows continue in SE

Thanks and welcome to Rob, in Pella, Iowa, who got their hive, Raspberry Hive, on-line last weekend.

Good nectar flows continue in parts of the Southeast. Lexington, SC and Athens, GA registered the highest gains last week.

Location	Weight Gain
Lexington, SC	24 lbs
Athens, GA	20 lbs

Newnan and Rabun Gap, GA, and Aiken and Walhalla, SC all recorded smaller gains. The gains in Walhalla were probably mostly pollen. Notice there is little loss due to evaporation at night.

In Sharpsburg and Newnan GA, a lull appeared last week. Rain and cooler temperatures on April 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> possibly interrupted the nectar flow. In Sharpsburg, the lull continued but Newnan (GA005) started gaining weight again.

Both Sharpsburg and Newman had secondary swarms on April 24<sup>th</sup>. Sharpsburg's swarm weighed about 3.5 lbs. and Newnan's swarm weighed about 5.5 lbs.

Hives in Asheville, NC mostly lost weight

In Northern California, it appears that the current nectar flow is winding down.

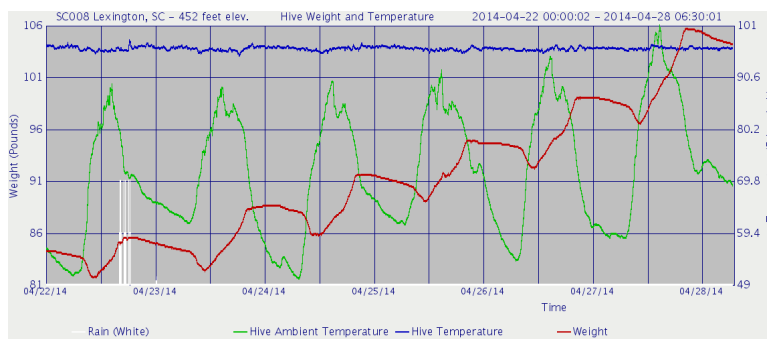


Illustration 1: Lexington, SC gained about 25 lbs last week.

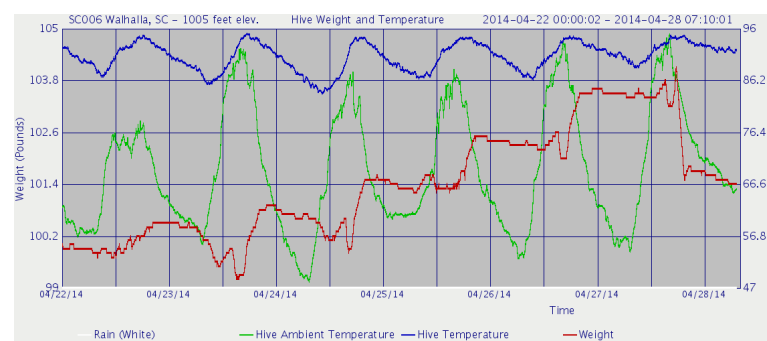


Illustration 2: Walhalla (SC006) gains appear to be pollen.

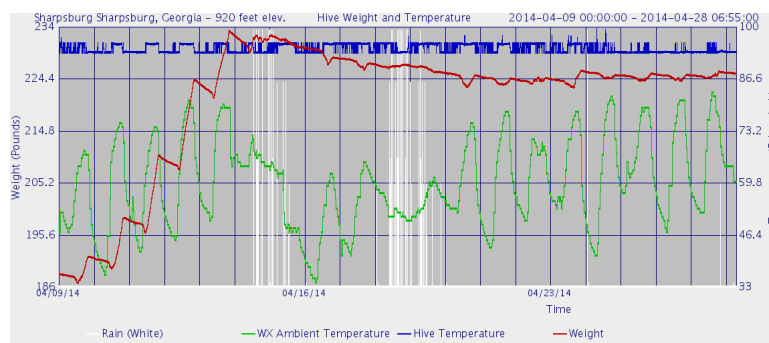


Illustration 3: Sharpsburg, GA (GA004) Last 3 weeks.

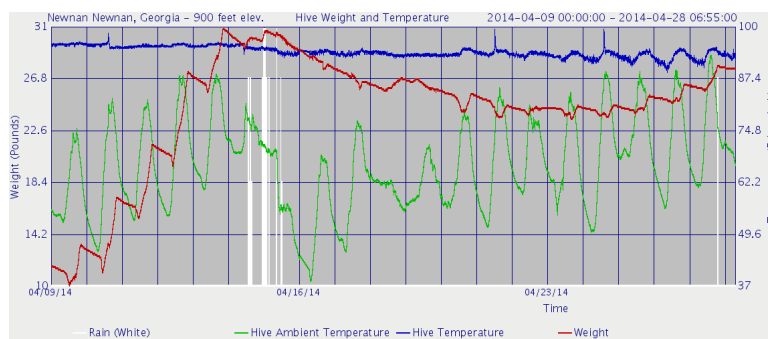


Illustration 4: Newnan, GA (GA005) last three weeks.