





Diagnostic characters:

Elongate head capsules with constricted collar; broad, flat, recessed teeth; pointed mandibles.

Ecology:

Subfossil: Insufficient data

Organism: These are biting midges (no-see-ums). Little is known about the aquatic stages in New Zealand; frequently found in still or slow water (Winterbourn et al. 2006).

Lakes containing taxon: Found in low abundance in just a few sites.

Simuliidae Non-Chironomid





Diagnostic characters:

Thin, pointy teeth on a projecting plate; generally hairy.

Ecology:

Subfossil: Insufficient data.

Organism: These are sand flies (known in northern North America as black flies), nasty little

blighters.

Lakes containing taxon: Found only occasionally.

Culicidae Non-Chironomid

Diagnostic characters:

Very thin, fine teeth on a projecting plate.

Ecology:

Subfossil: Insufficient data. Organism: Mosquitoes

Lakes containing taxon: Not found in any of our sites; occasionally found with Chironomids in Northern Hemisphere studies.