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Abstract: In studies carried out from January 2001 to December 2002 in Ankara-Gölbaşı district, 9 mosquito species (Anopheles sacharovi, An. maculipennis, An. claviger, Culex mimeticus, Cx. pipiens, Cx. theileri, Culiseta annulata, Cs. longiareolata and Ochlerotatus caspius) were determined. The population estimations of immature stages were performed in 15 breeding habitats such as lake edge, swamp, wet pasture, canal and pond. The species that had the most sampled immature stages was Cx. pipiens (29.30%); An. sacharovi (18.93%) and An. maculipennis (17.47%) followed it. The samplings of adult mosquitoes were performed in 5 stables and 5 light traps. The most abundant species collected from the stables were An. maculipennis (24.67%), followed by An. sacharovi (24.17%) and Cx. pipiens (18.78%). On the other hand, the most abundant species trapped in the light traps were Cx. pipiens (29.05%) and Cs. annulata (18.46%). Generally, an increase was observed in the population dynamics of the all mosquito species in the July- September period.

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