

This report provides information about vegetation covering the soil surface for a region during a single month with comparison to previous years. The total vegetation cover indicates where soil is likely to be protected from wind ($\geq 50\%$ total vegetation cover) and water/hillslope ($\geq 70\%$ total vegetation cover) erosion. Results are shown for the whole region (polygon) and also separated by land use and forest cover class. This is because different land use / forest cover classes are likely to have different cover patterns and targets.

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The six maps and two graphs provide a report for the month with:

- Land use and forest cover information for the area:
 - o Map: Land use and forest cover
 - o Chart: Land use and forest cover area
- Total vegetation cover for this month:
 - o Map: total vegetation cover classified into 4 classes
 - o Chart: total vegetation cover percentage area classified into 4 classes
- Areas protected from erosion for the month:
 - o Map: water erosion protection ($>70\%$ cover) percentage area and hectares
 - o Map: wind erosion protection ($>50\%$ cover) percentage area and hectares
- Comparison with previous years:
 - o Map: anomaly – compare this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years
 - o Map: deciles – rank this month against the same month in previous years
- Time series from January 2001 to current:
 - o Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month since January 2001 (orange line): Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles. Vertical line is month of report.
 - o Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month since January 2001 (blue line): Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles. Vertical line is month of report.
 - o Rainfall: millimetres rainfall each month (black line). Vertical line is month of report.
- Time series for each month stacked by year
 - o Same data as time series from January 2001 to current month, grouped by month. Black line is current year of data.
- Water erosion protection on higher slopes. As slope increases, more cover is required to control water erosion.

The thresholds reported are:

- o the percentage area with pixels greater than 80% total cover
- o the percentage area with pixels greater than 90% total cover
- o the percentage area with pixels greater than 95% total cover

The following pages repeat the above sequence for each land use and forest cover class. For example

- All agricultural lands, that is grazing, cropping plus Horticulture (depending on what land use is present)
- Grazing lands by forest classes if present
- Cropping lands
- Irrigation lands
- Protected areas by forest classes if present

The following pages repeat the above sequence for each land use and forest cover class if 1% or more of area makes up a land use and forest cover class. Four land uses are reported: Conservation and natural environments, Agriculture, production native forests and plantation forests, and other. Agriculture is further divided into grazing, crops and horticulture are then divided into non-irrigated and irrigated. Land use is further divided by forest class if present: non-forest, woodland forest and non-woodland forest.

Explanatory notes:

This report has been generated using MODIS fractional vegetation cover information available in Rangelands and Pasture Productivity (RAPP) map tool. The report is based on an analysis of 500 metre pixel data on monthly time steps. Report uses baseline from January 2001 to September 2019 for each month to generate anomalies and deciles. Post September 2019 all similar months are used to calculate anomalies and deciles.

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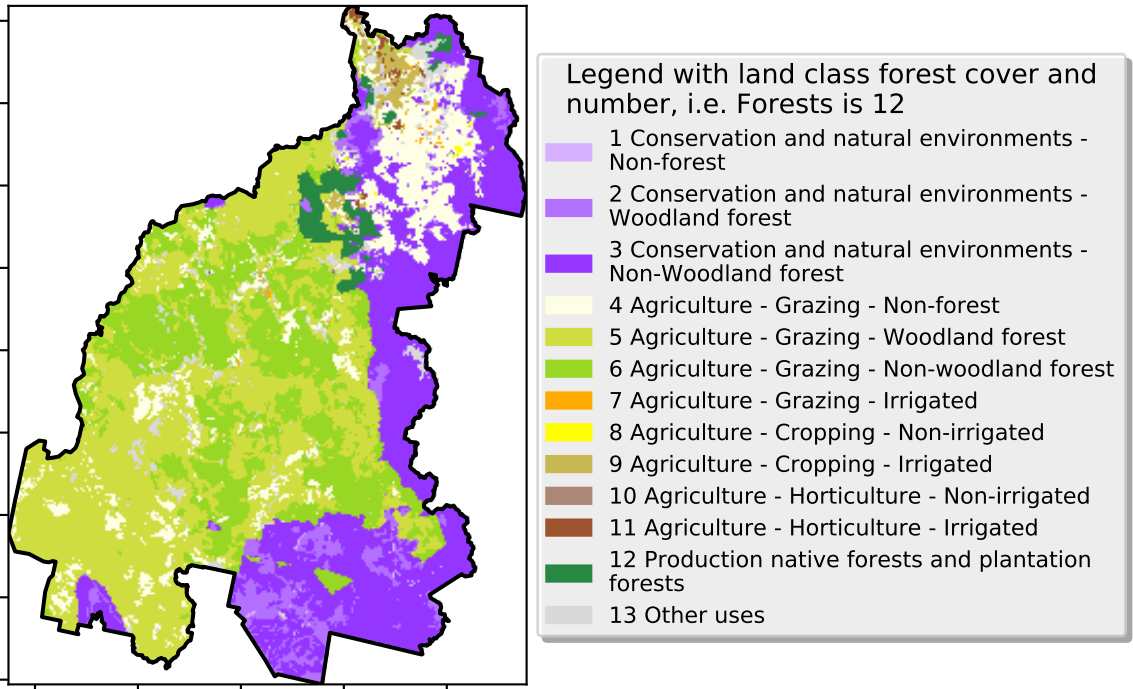
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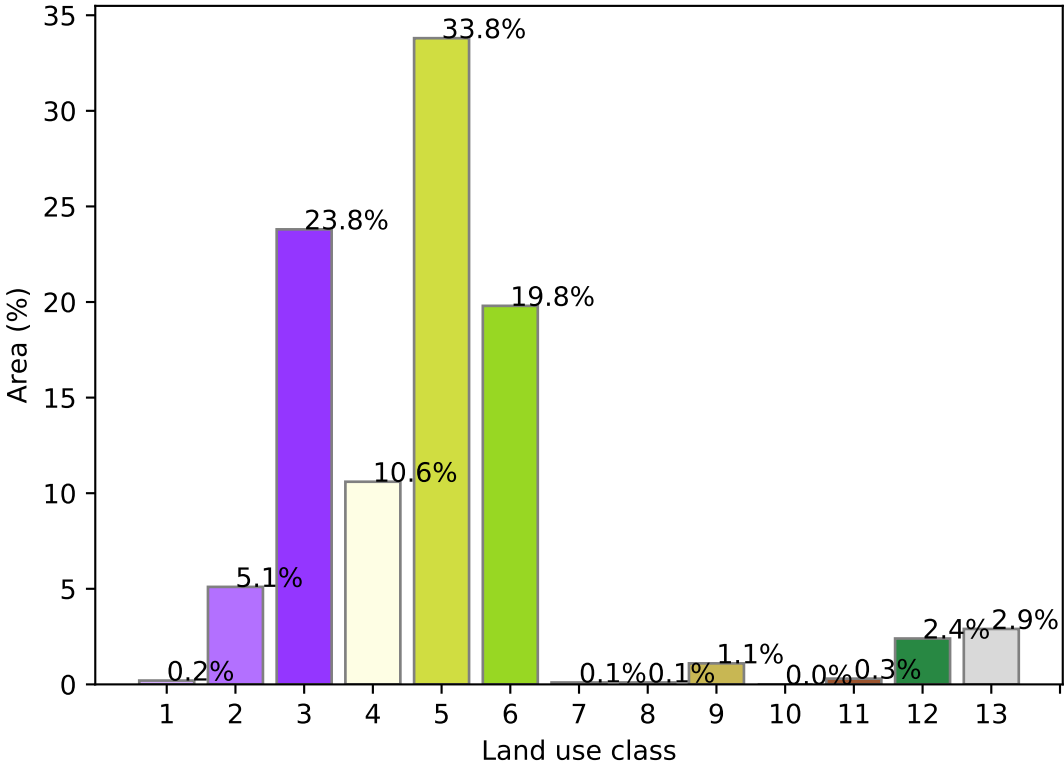
Vegetation Cover Sep 2019

Land use and forest cover

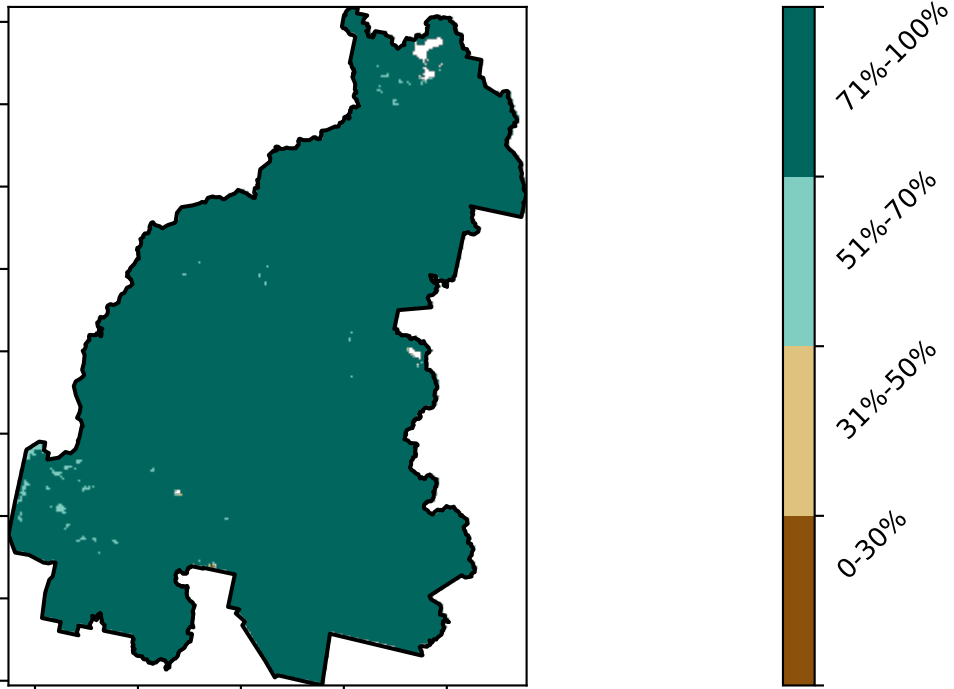
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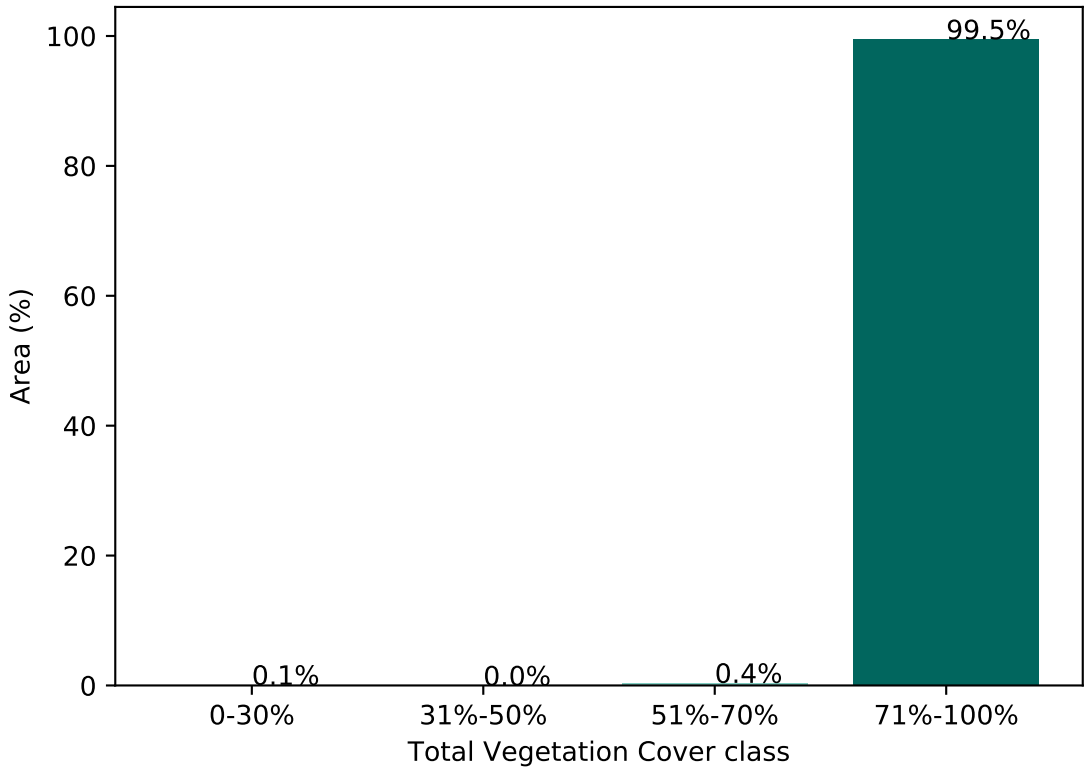
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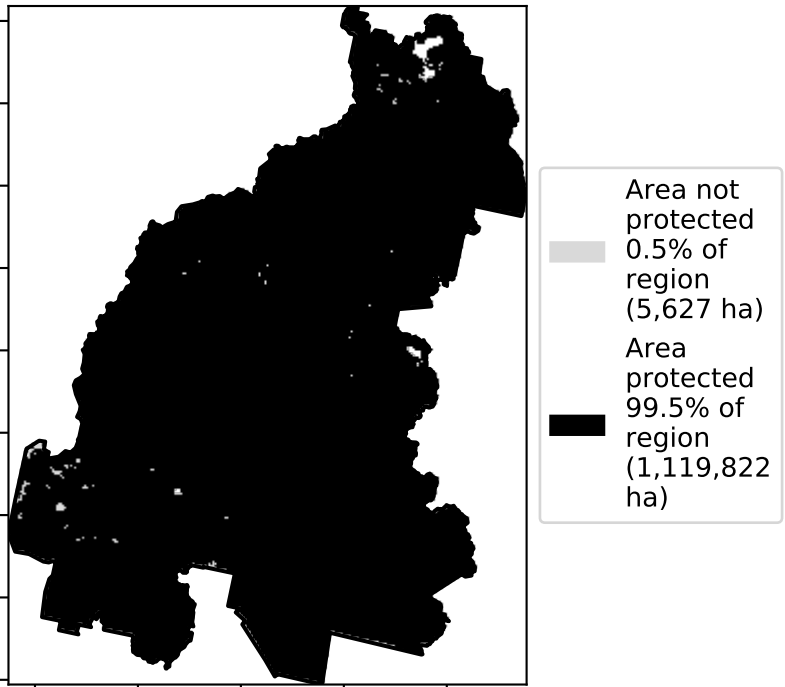
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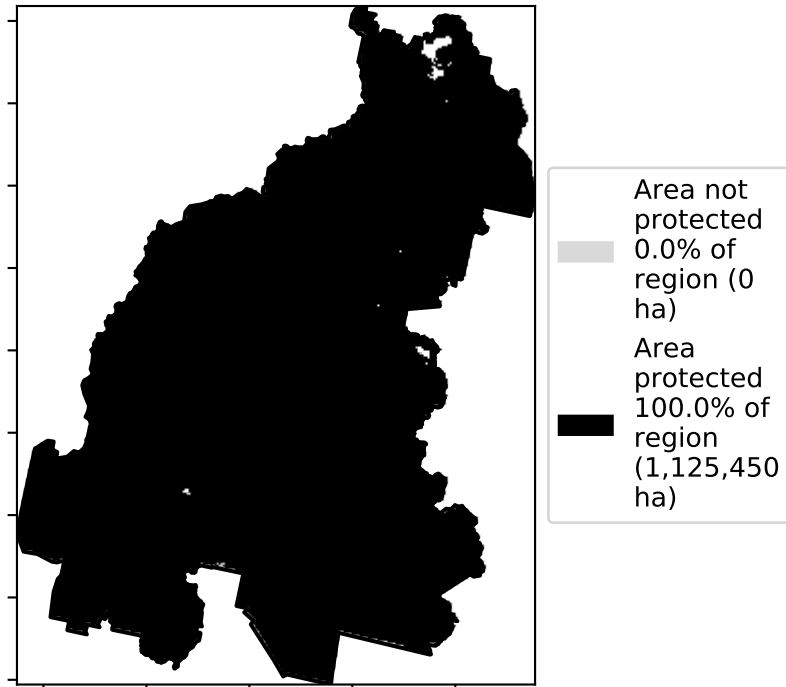
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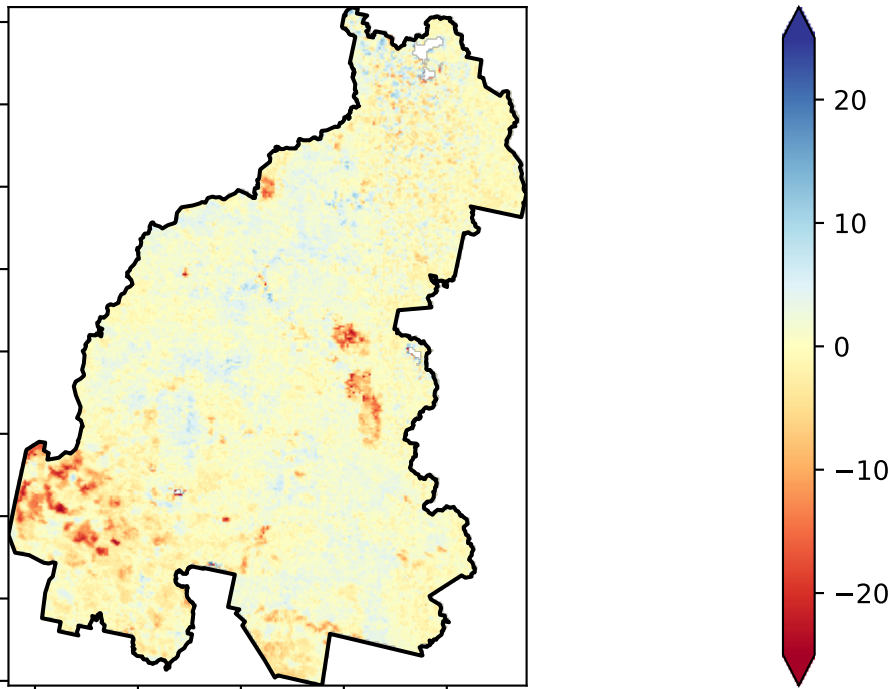


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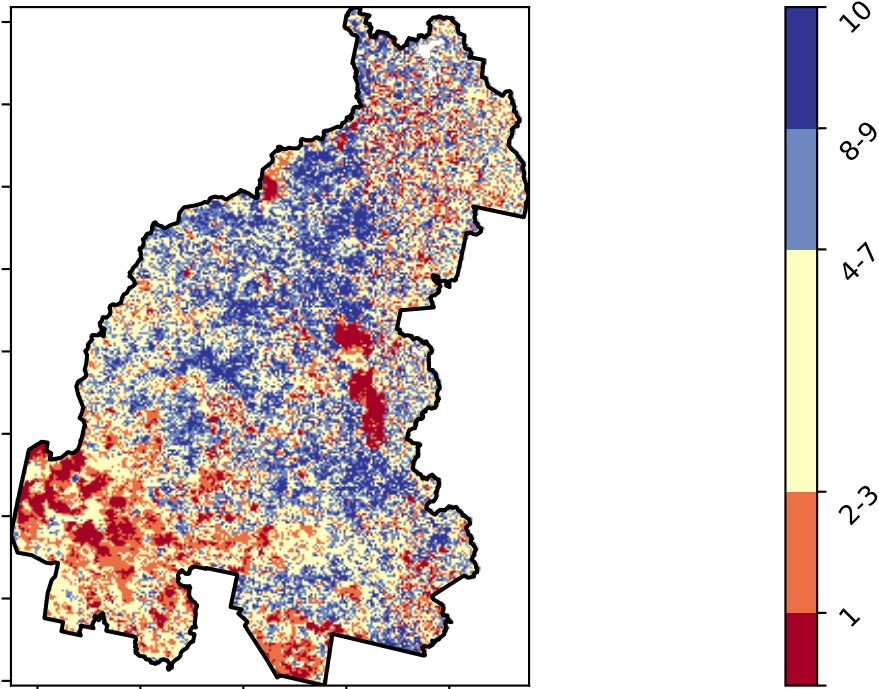
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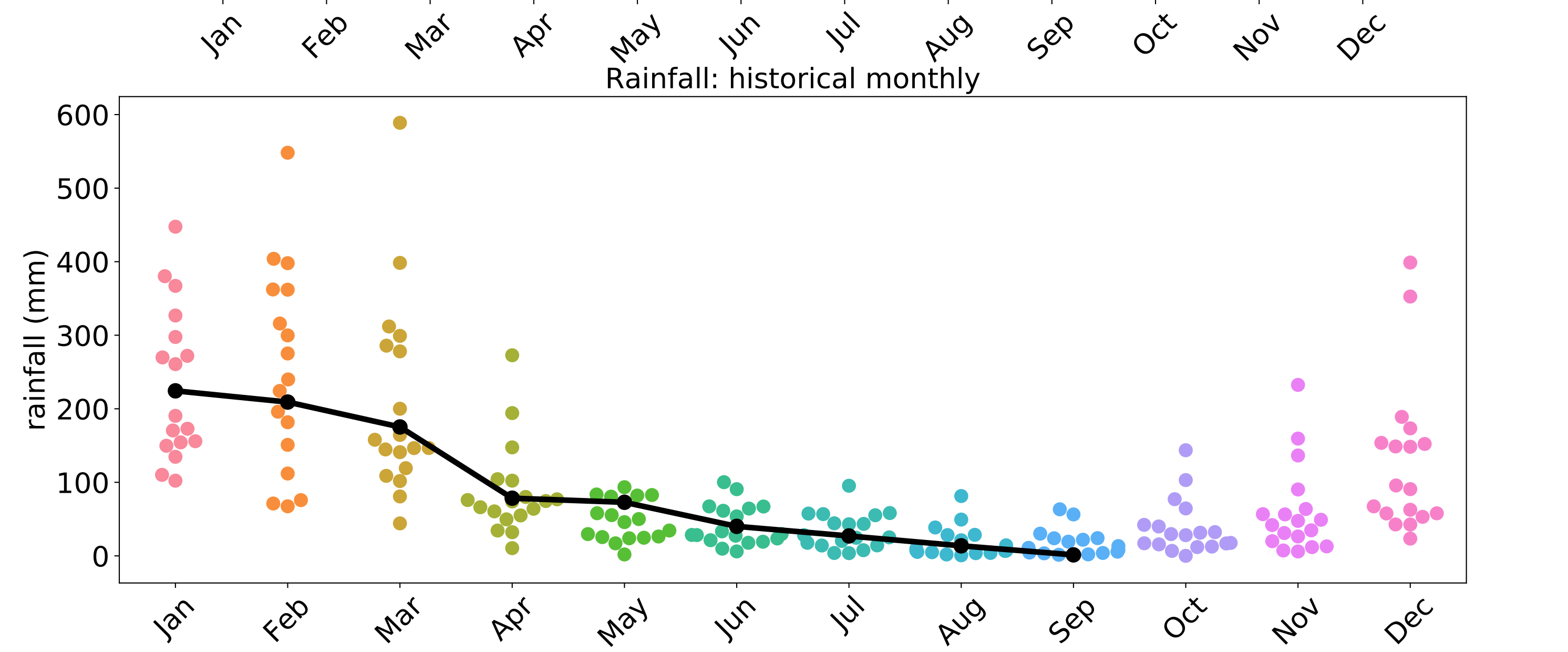
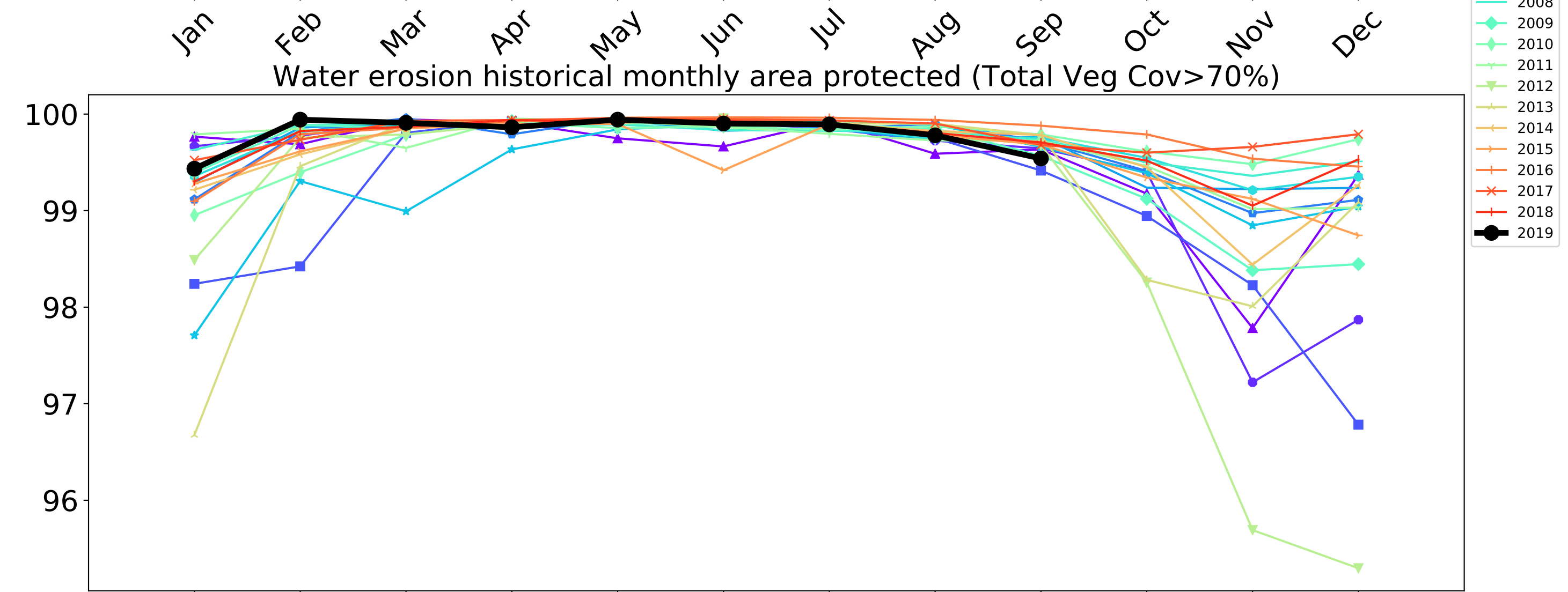
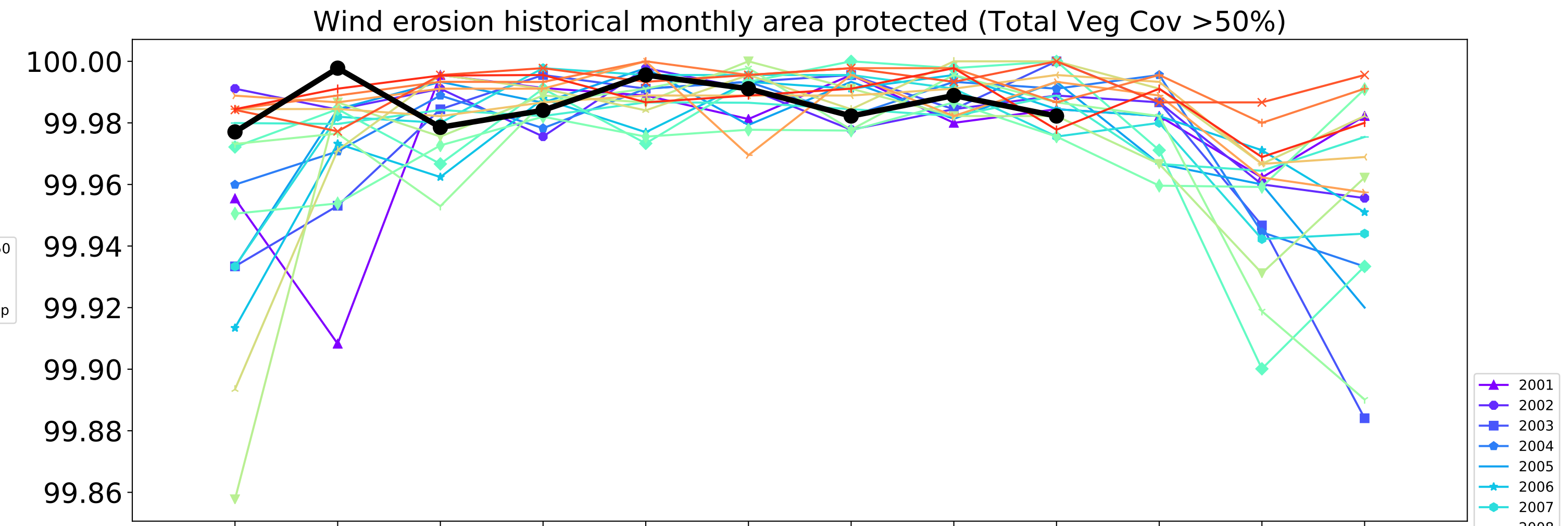
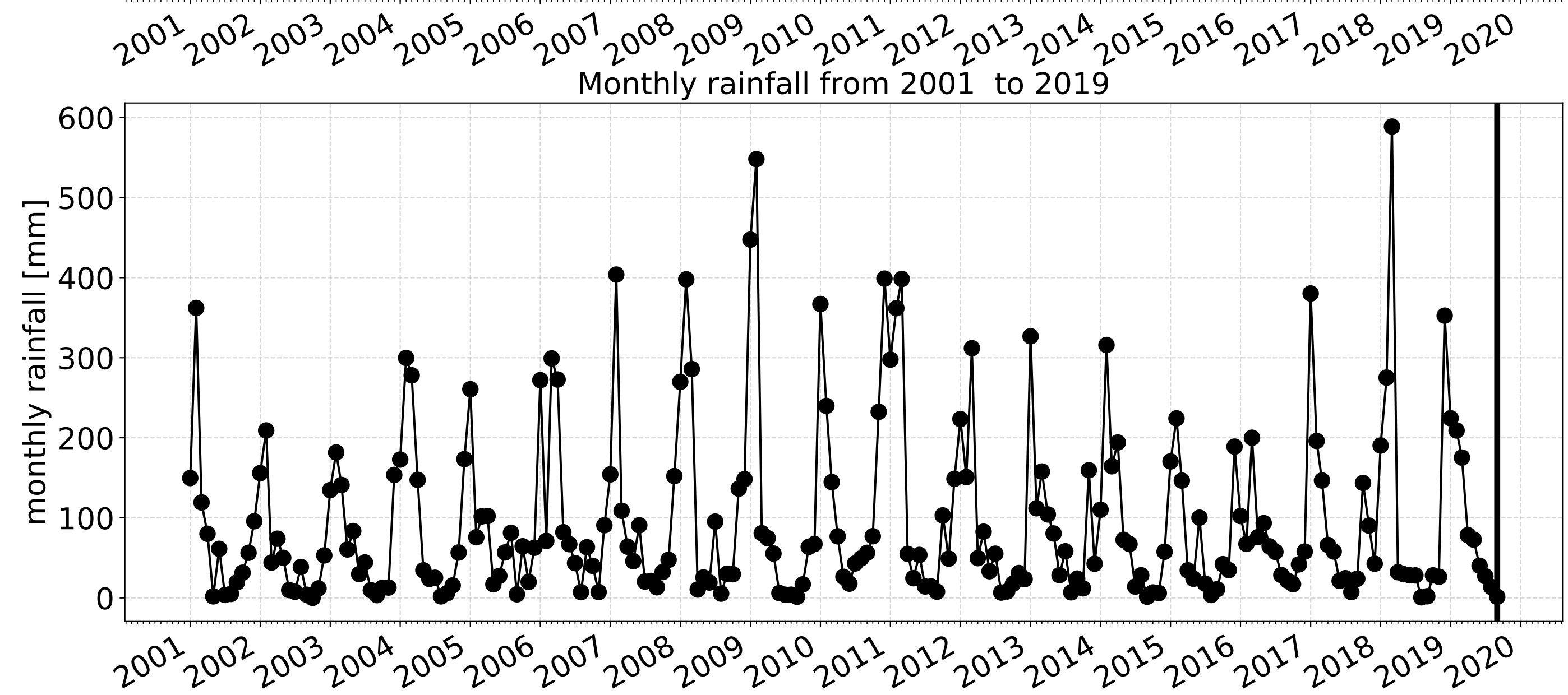
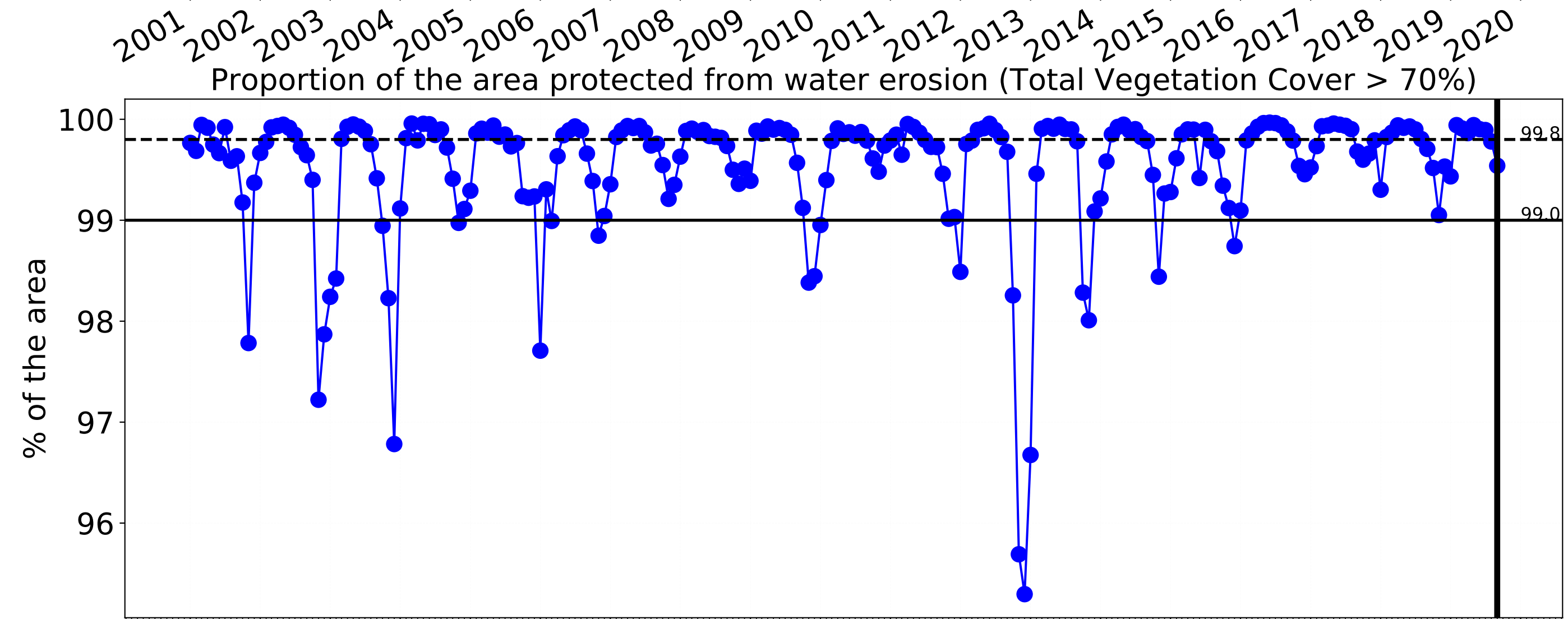
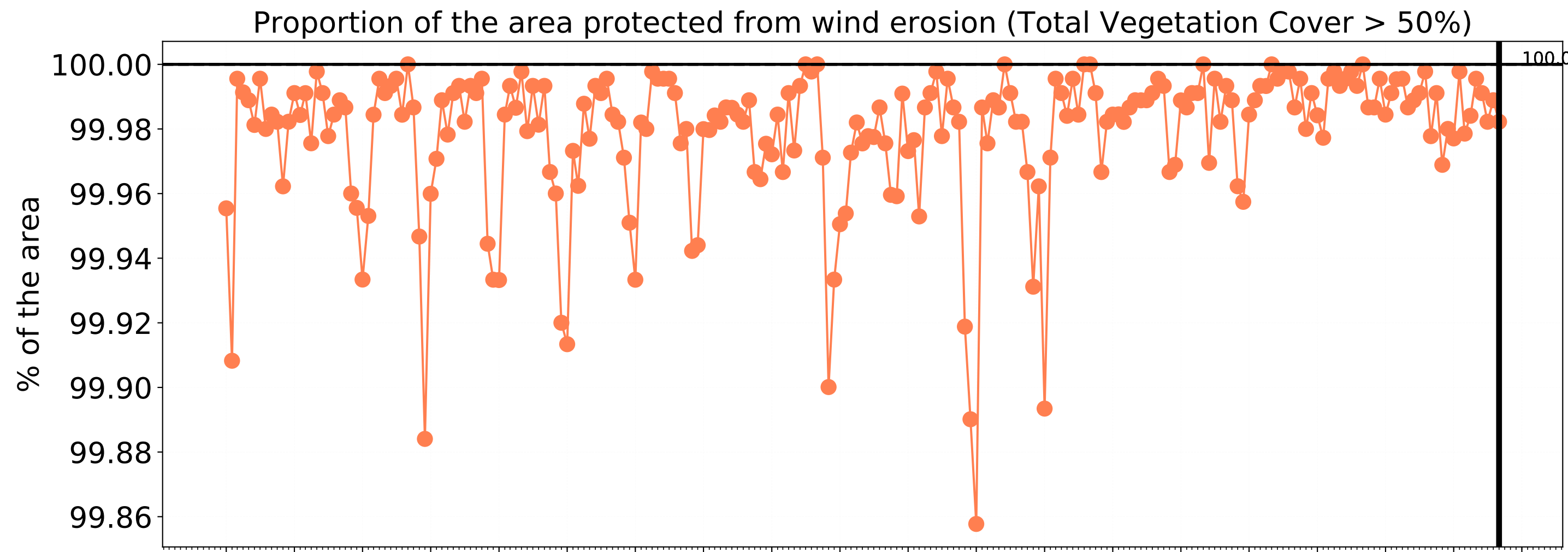
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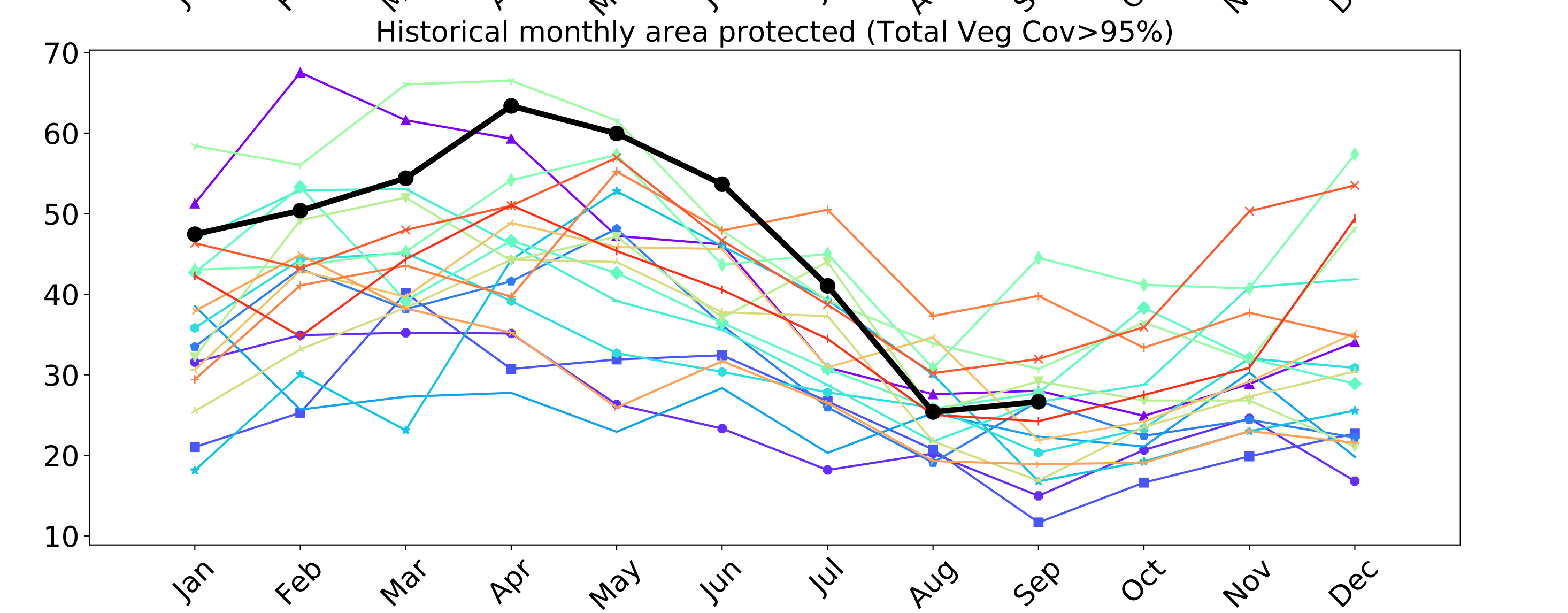
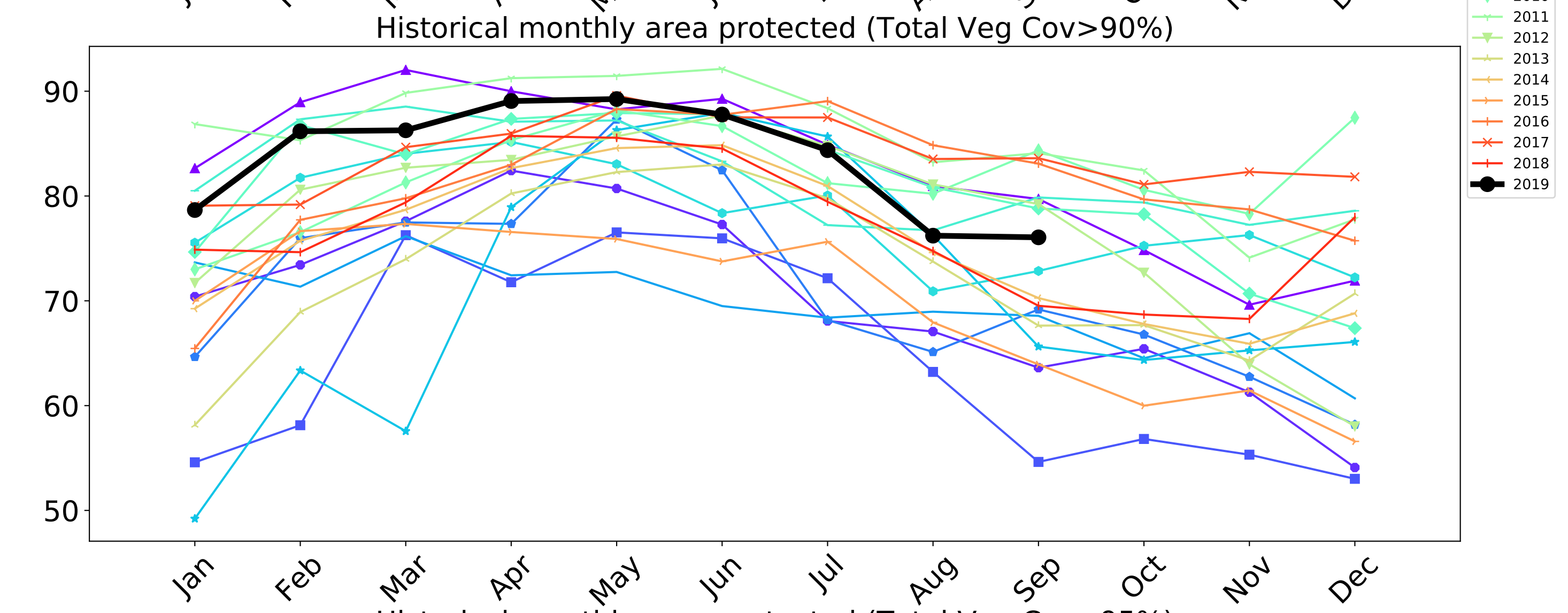
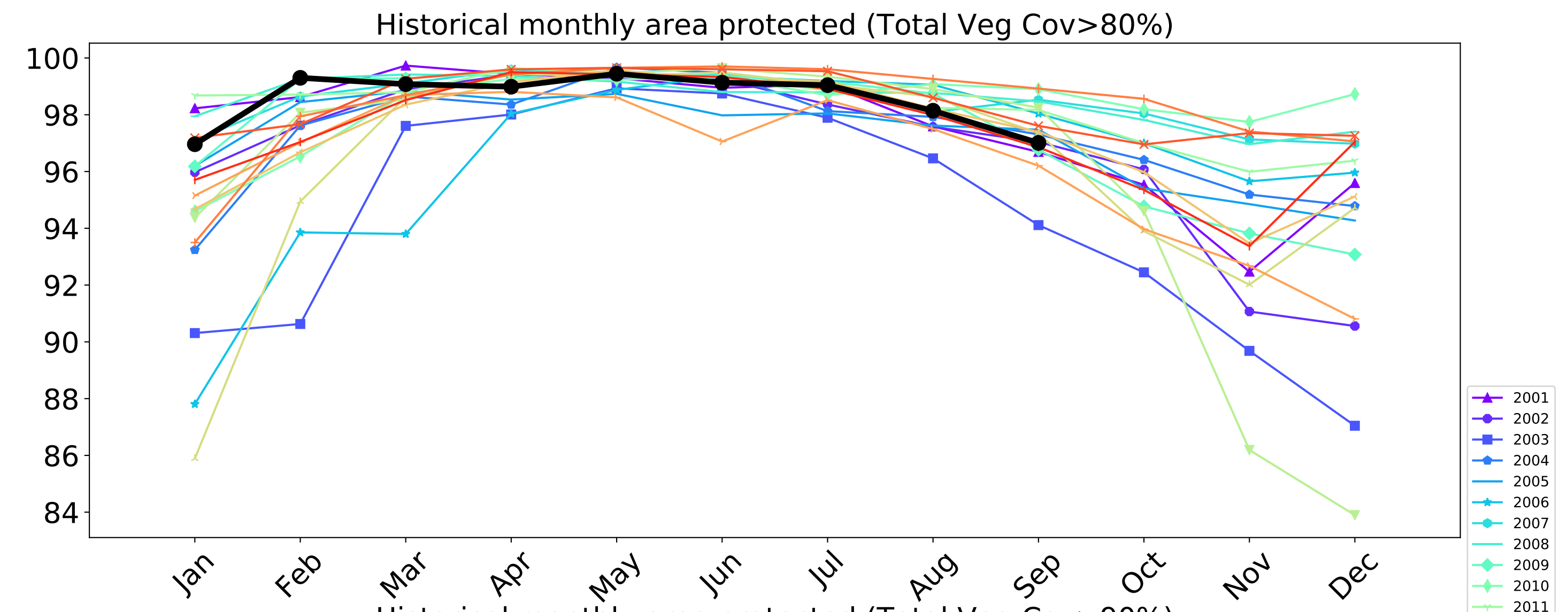
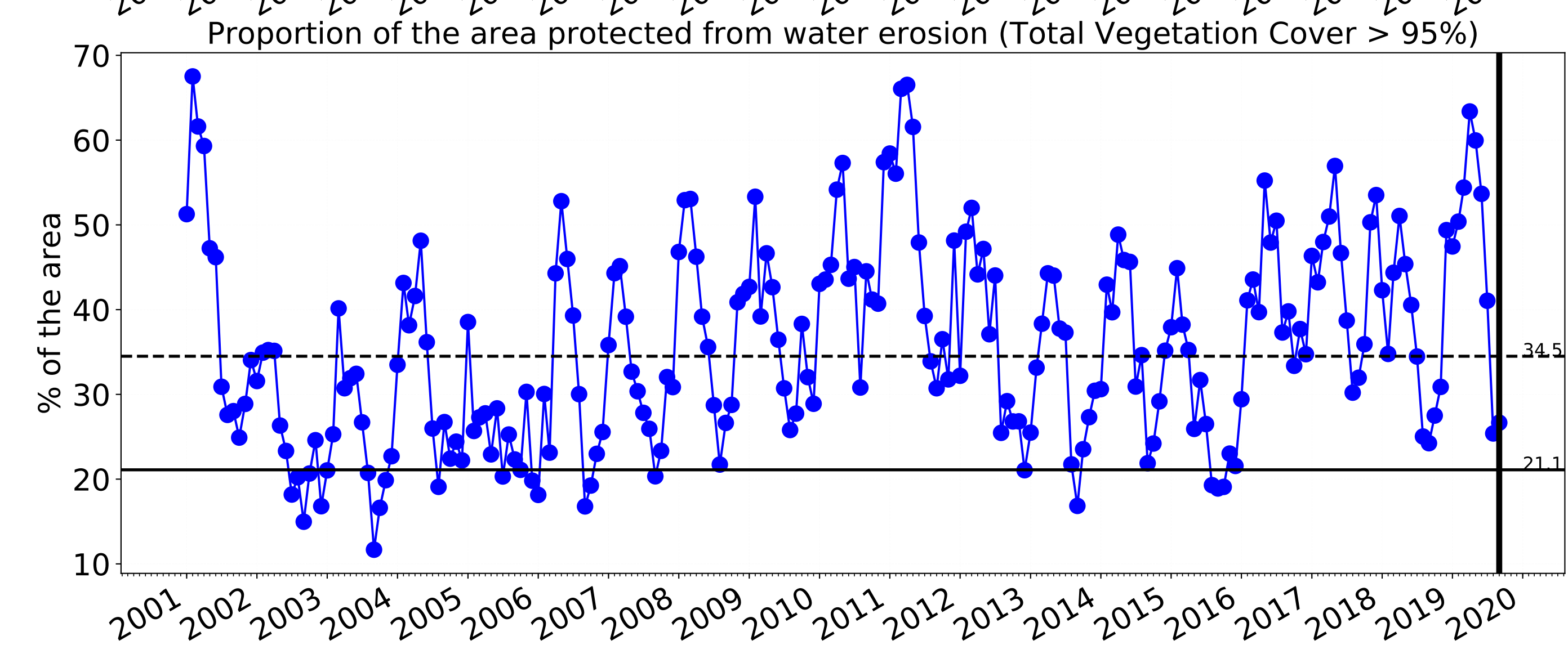
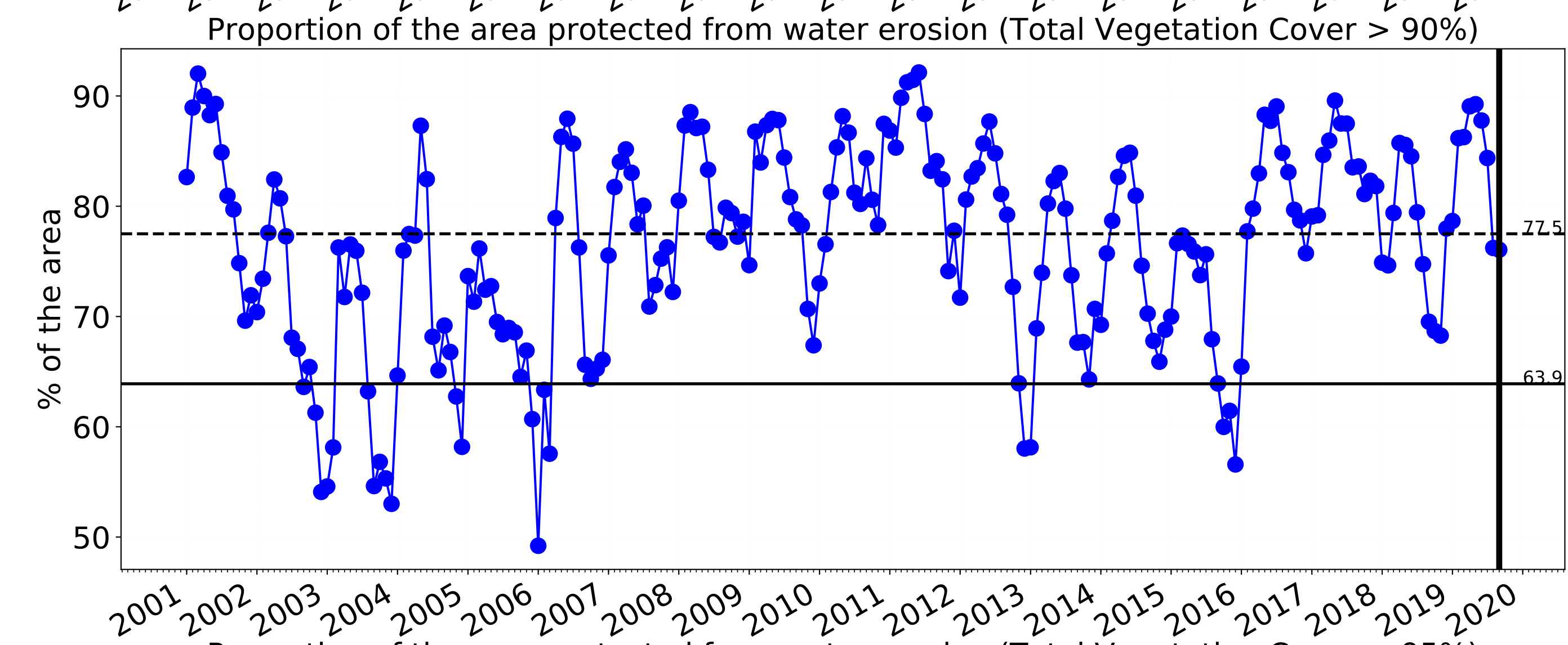
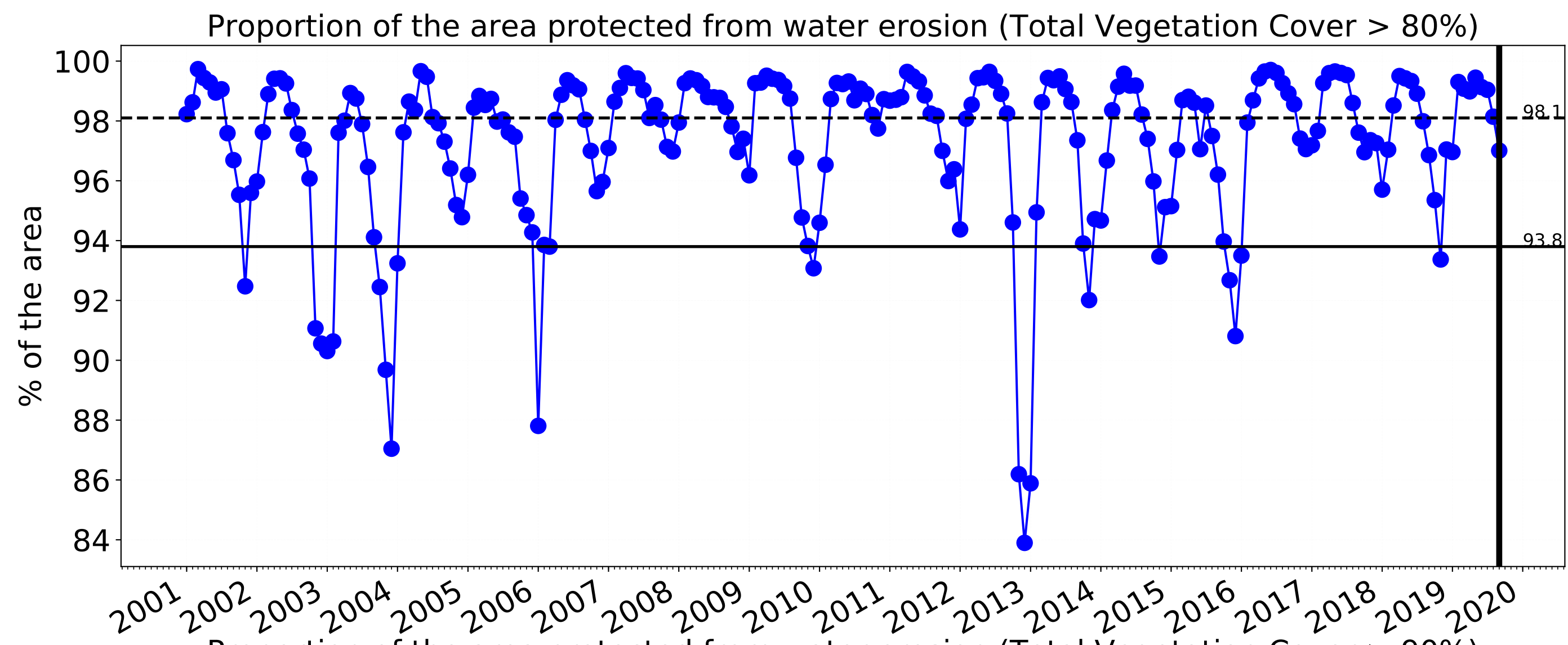


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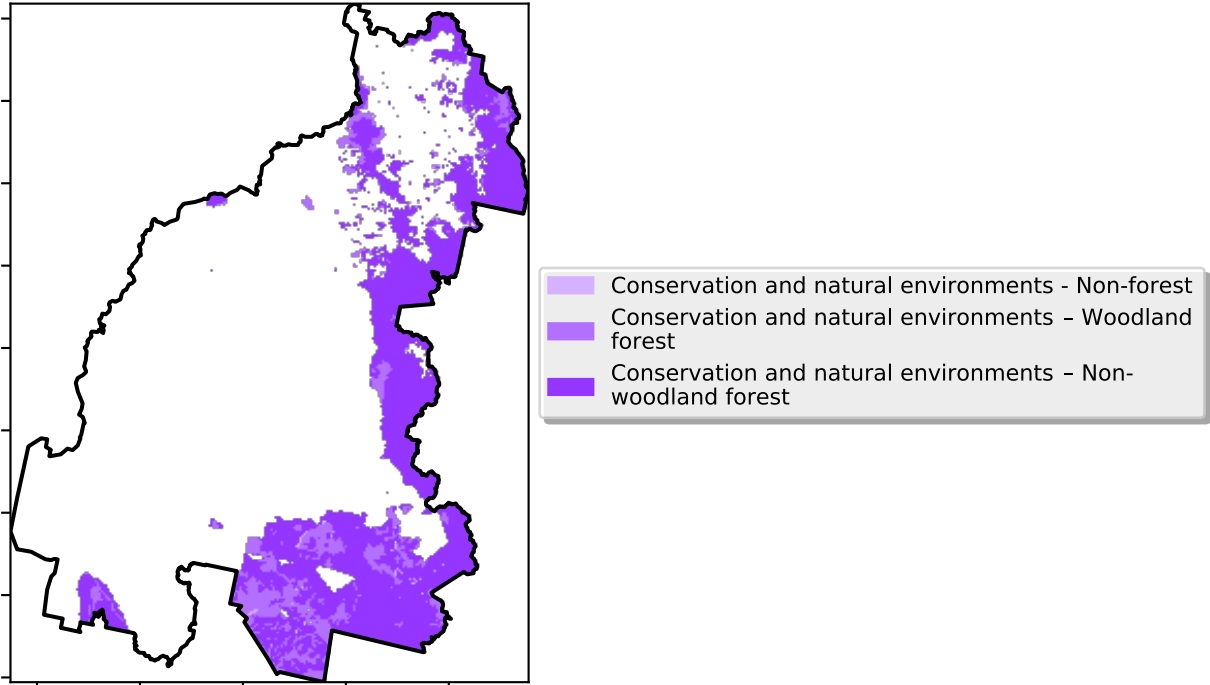




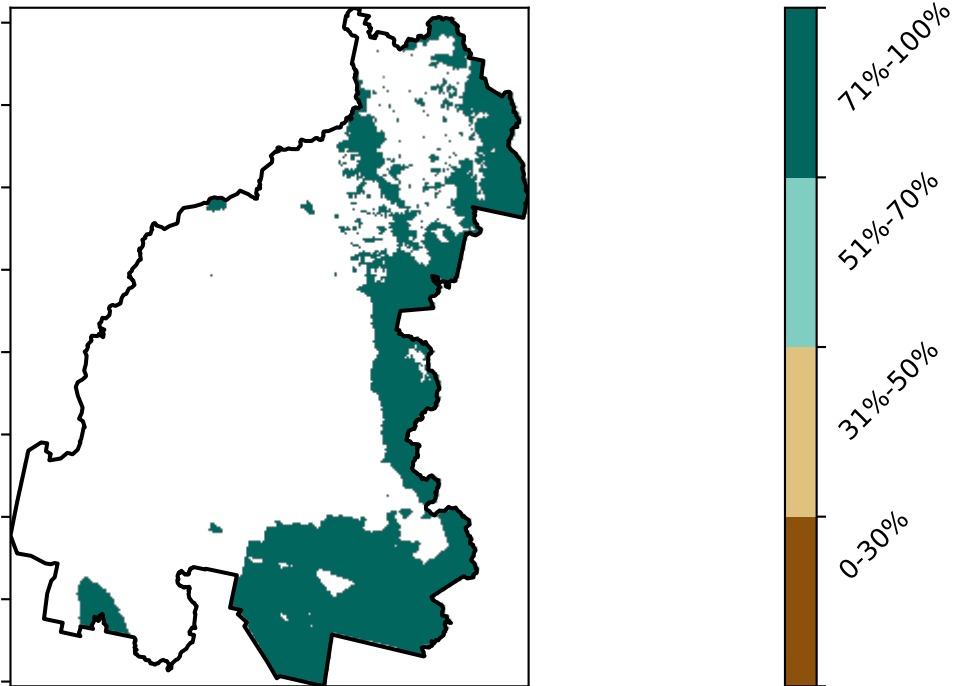
Conservation and natural environments

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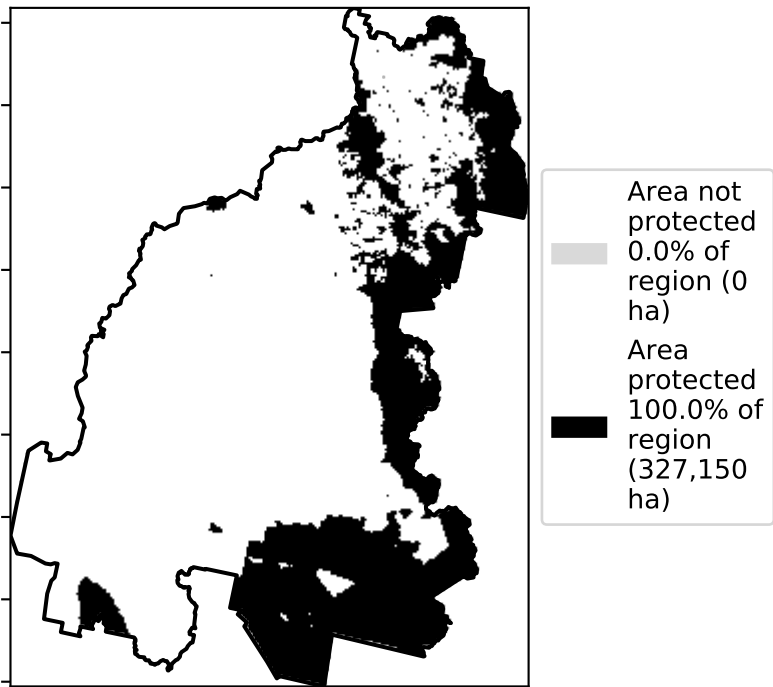
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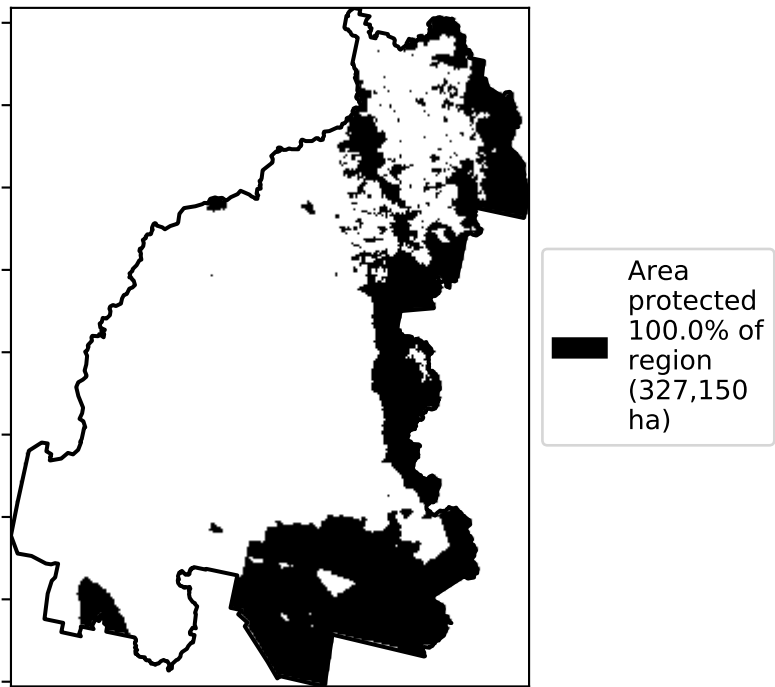
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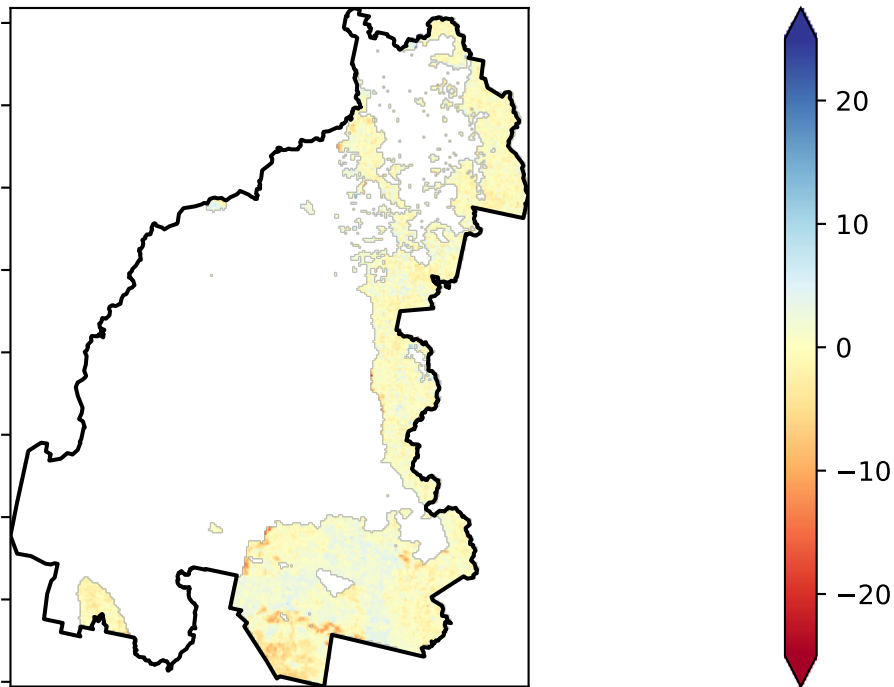


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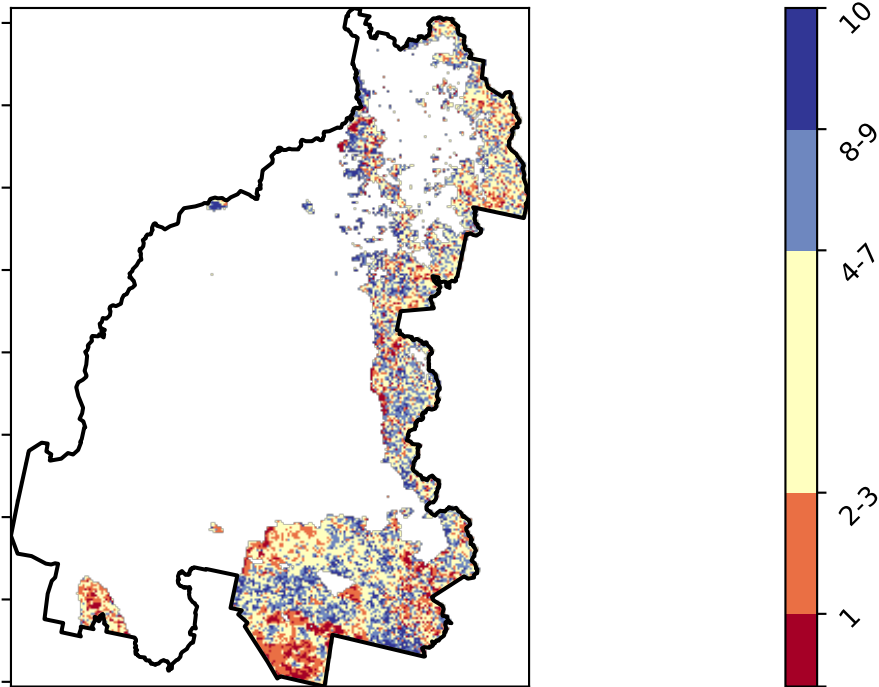
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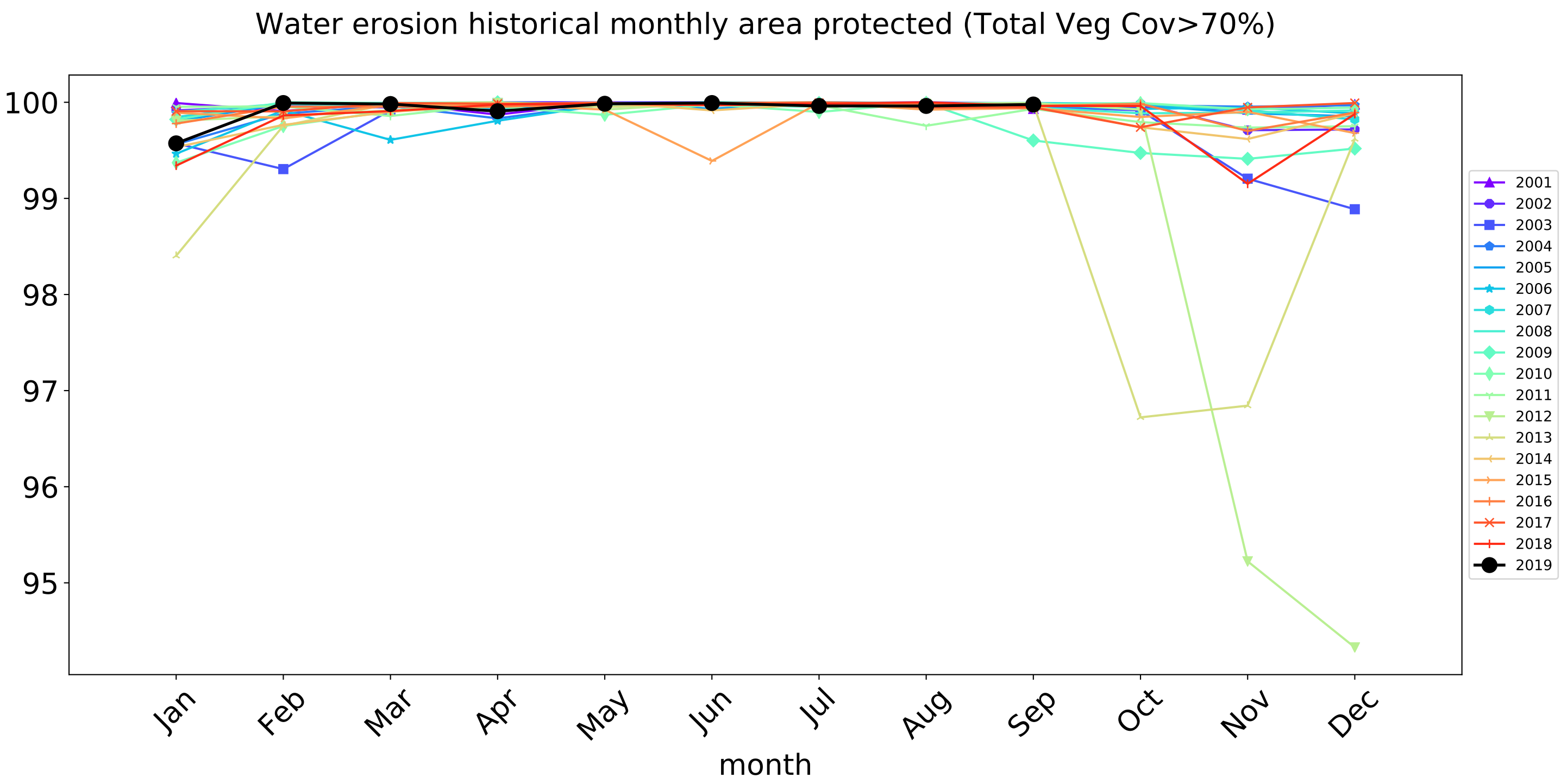
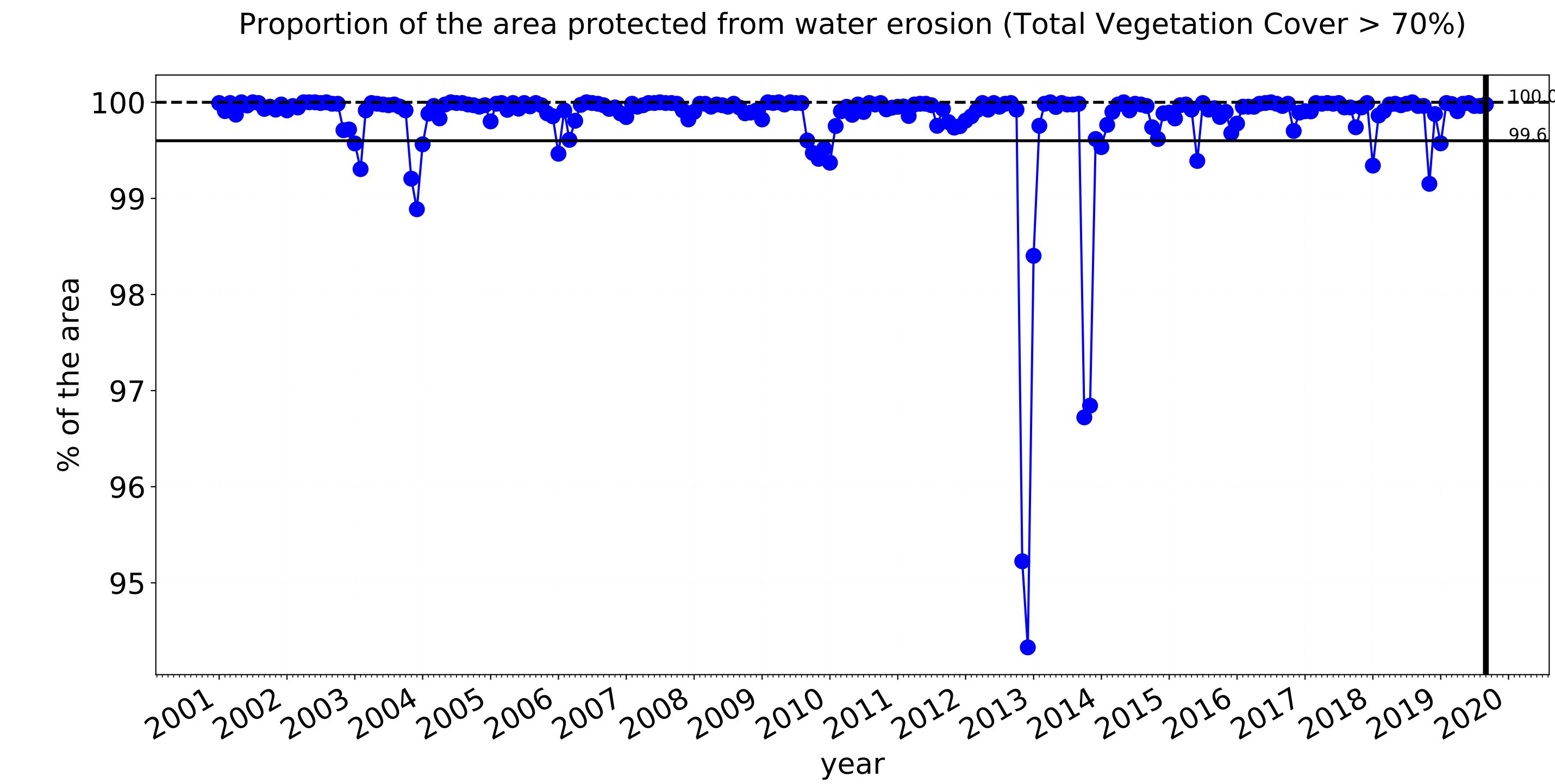
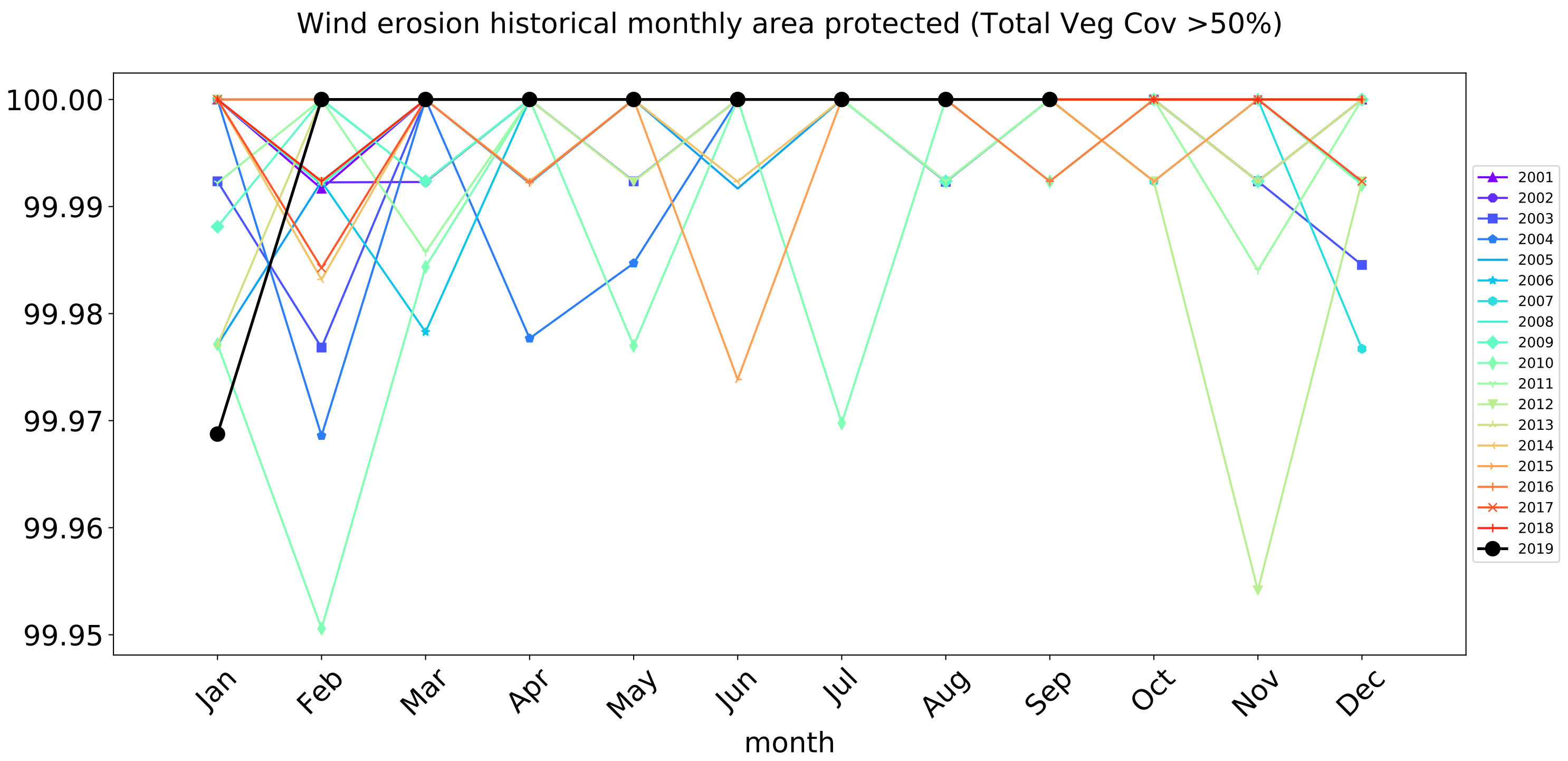
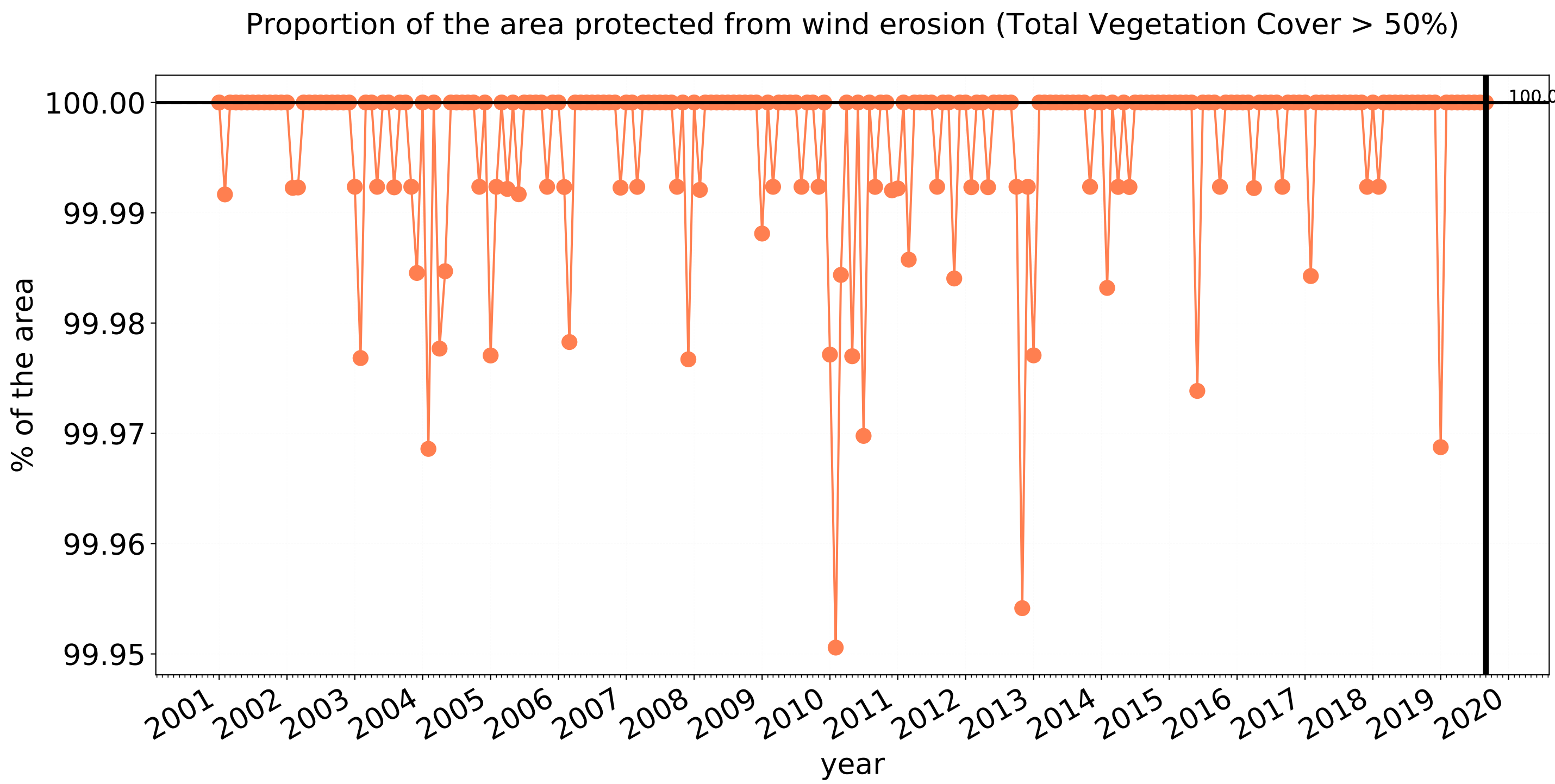


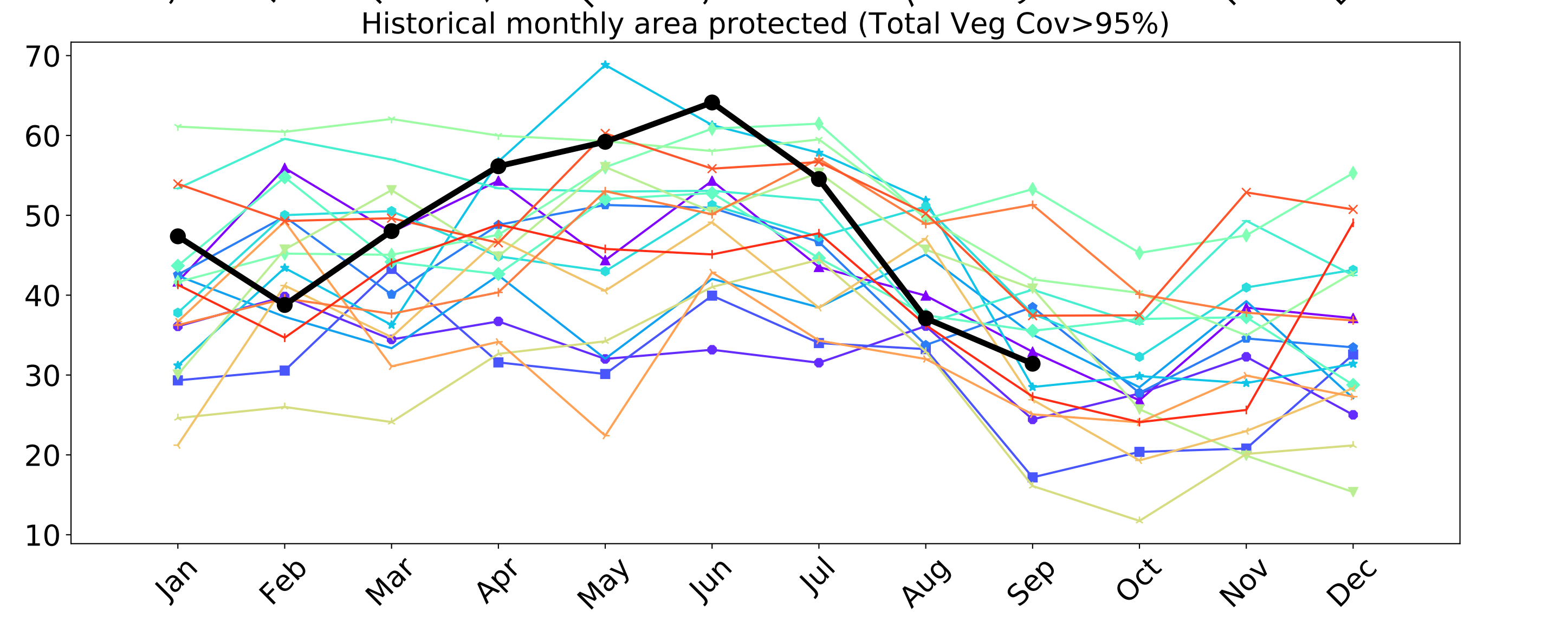
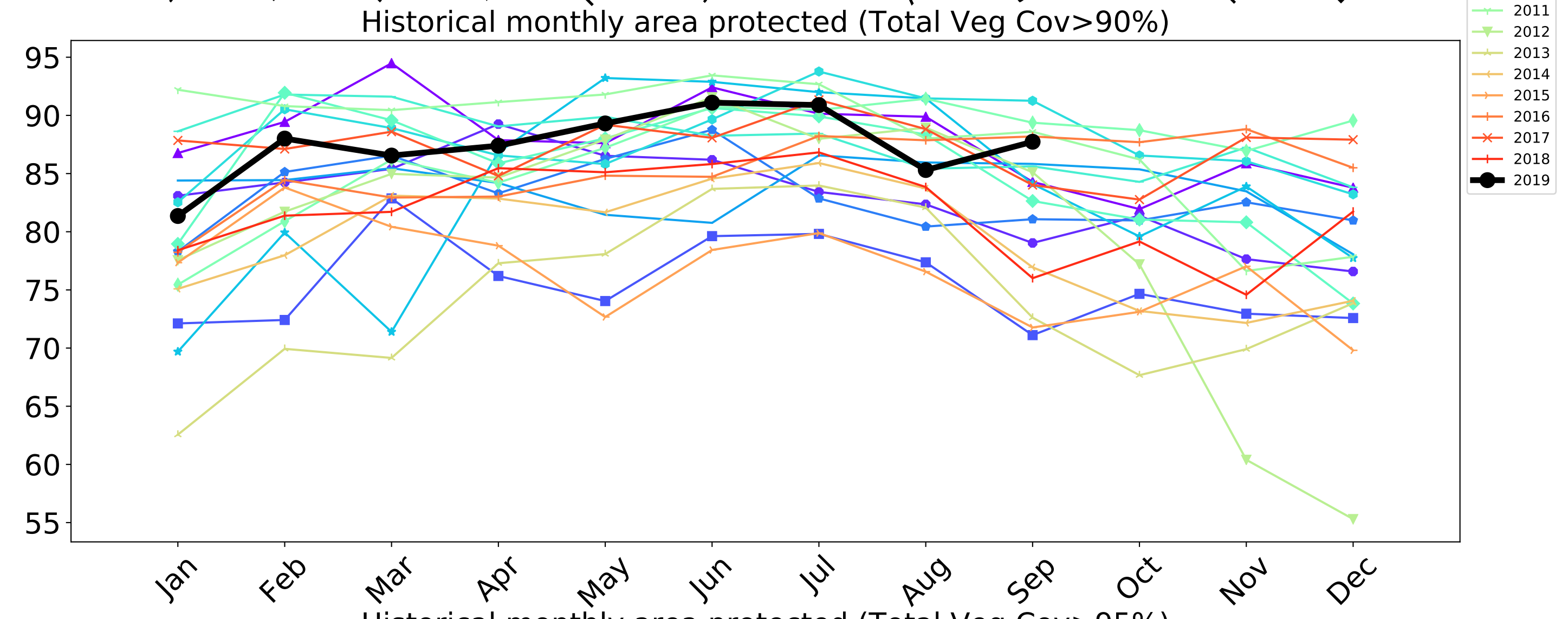
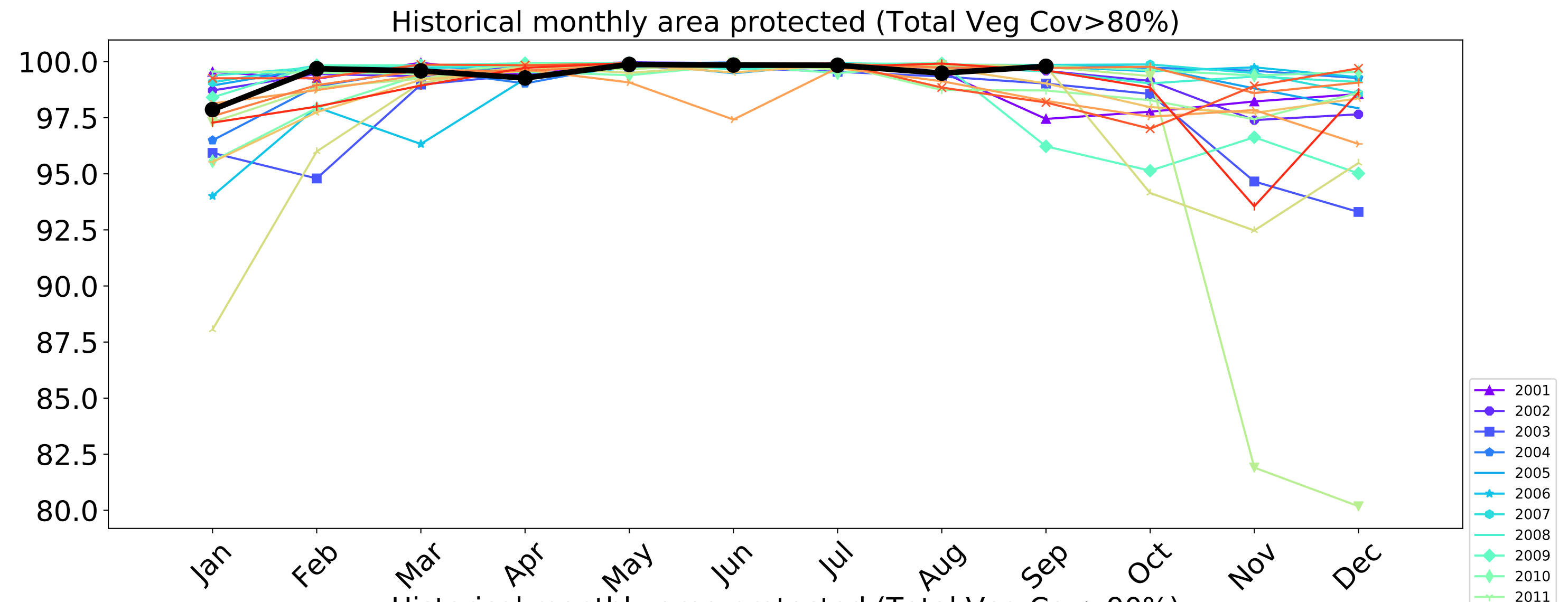
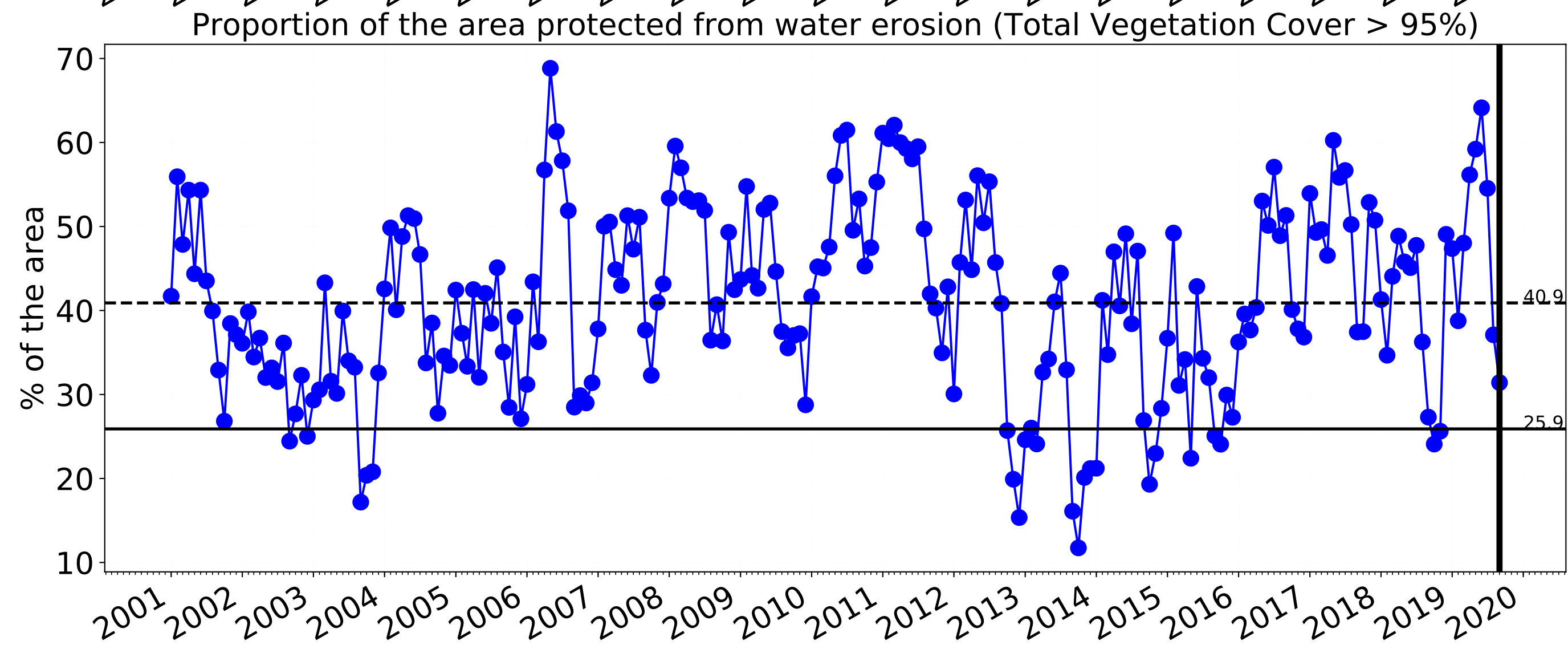
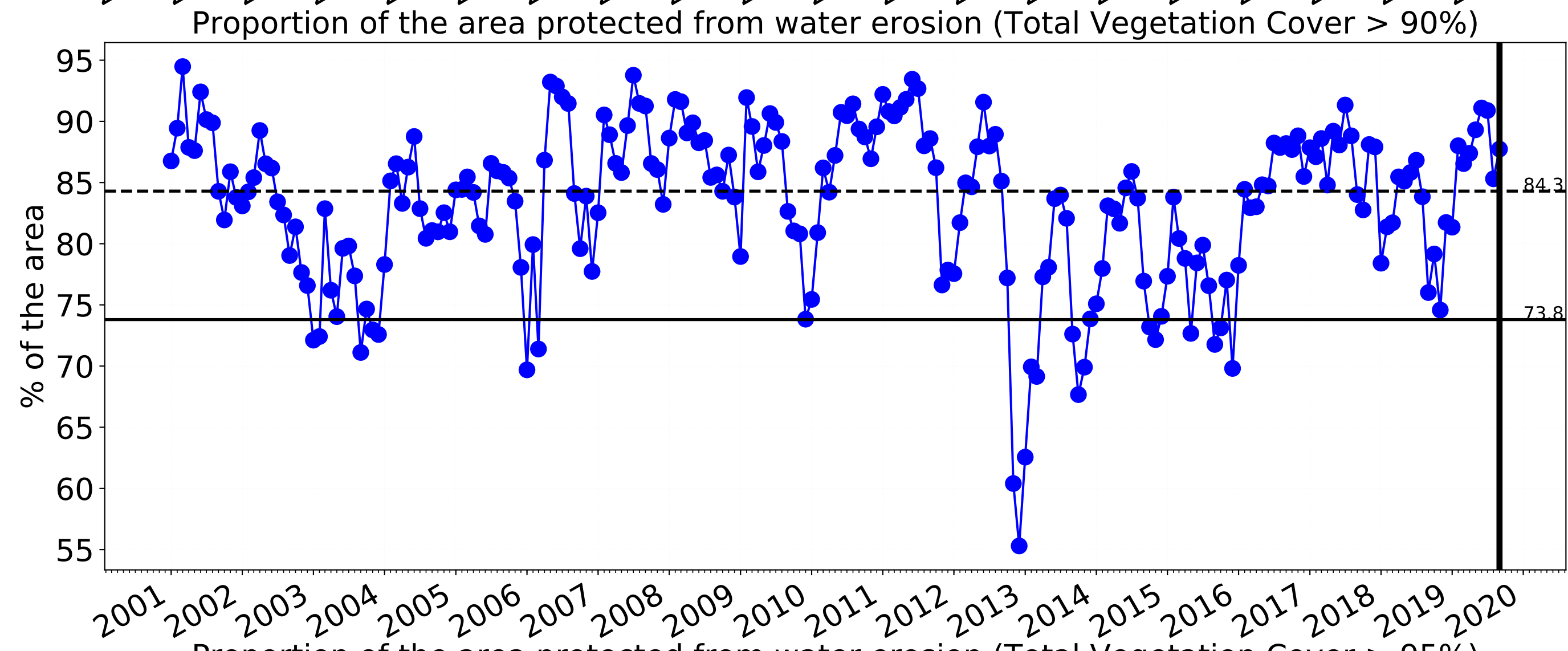
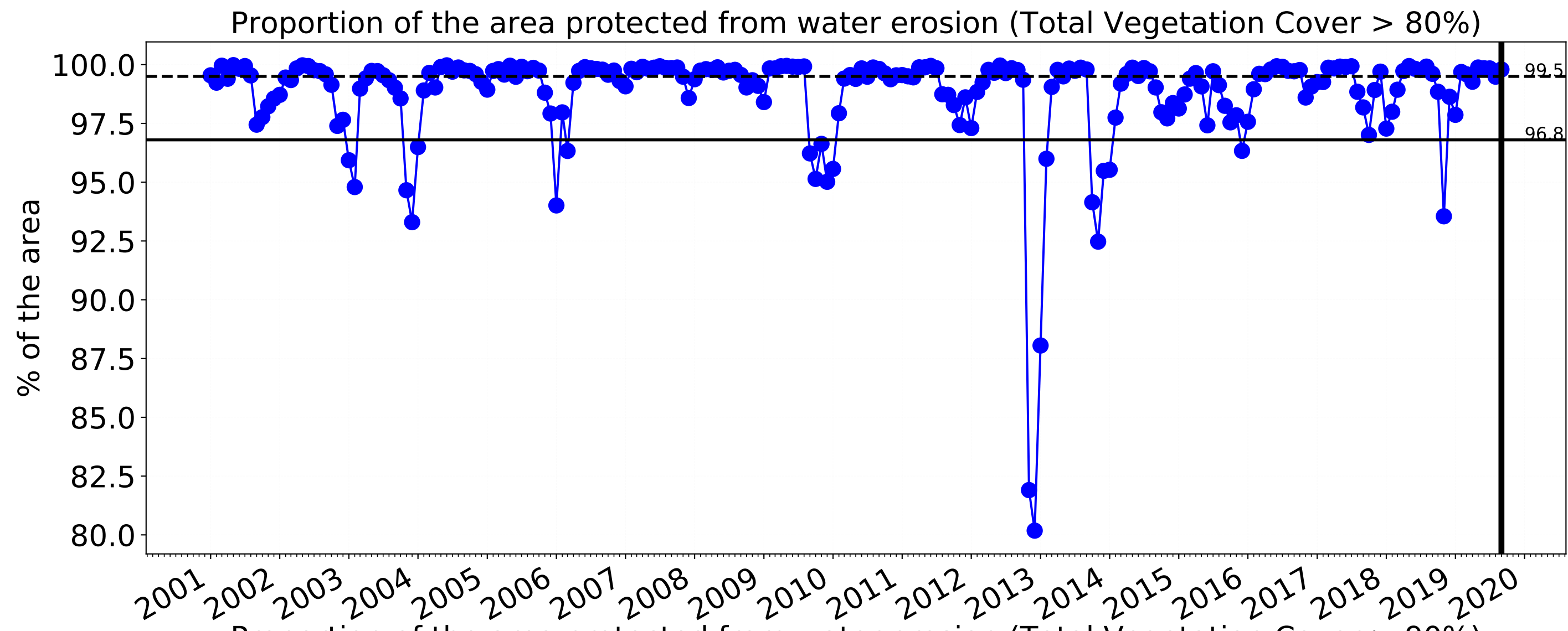
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Conservation and natural environments timeseries

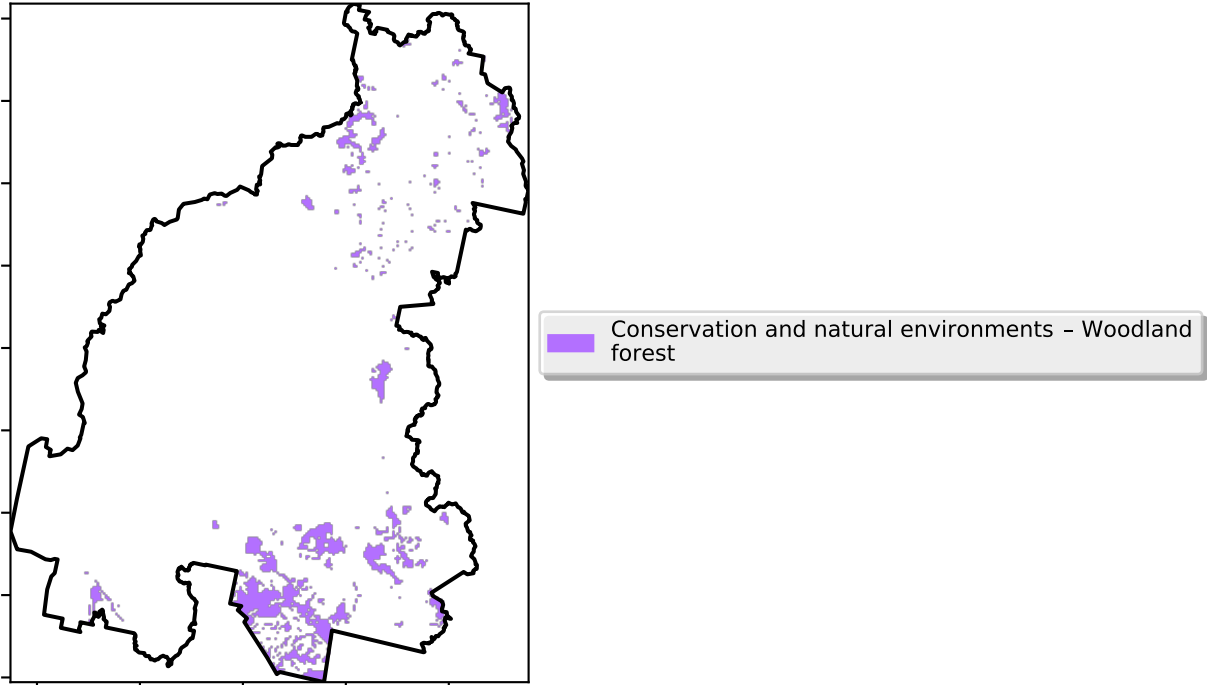




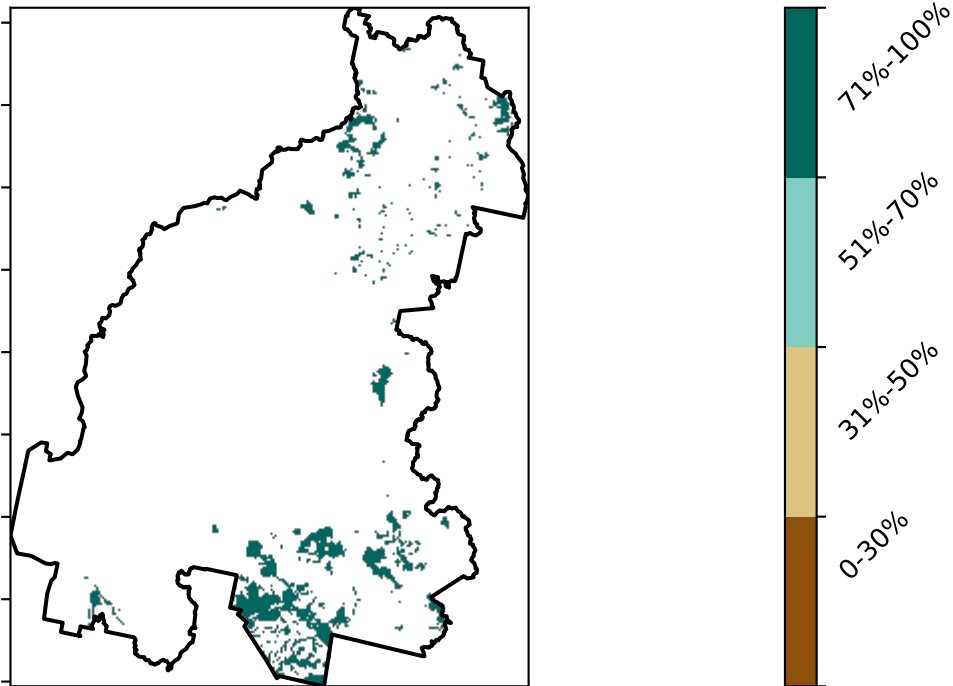
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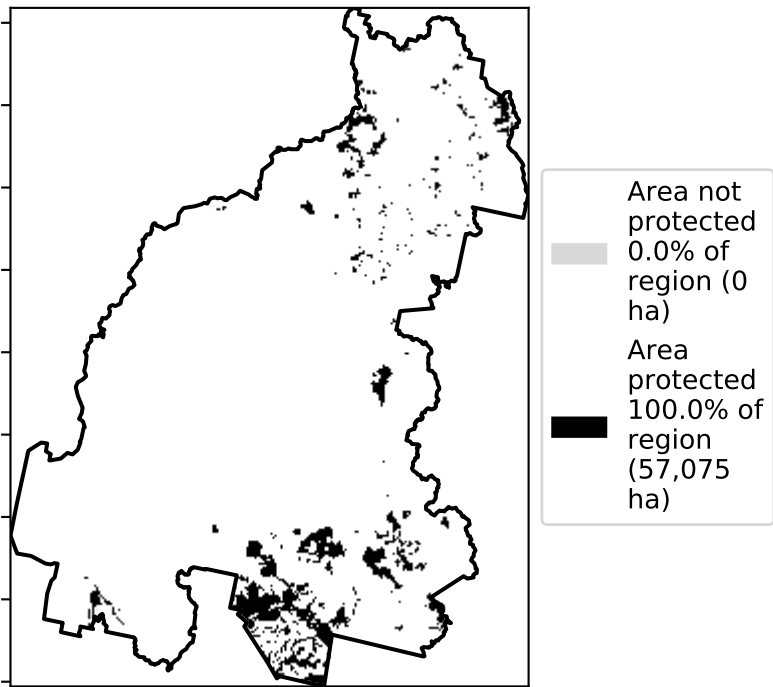
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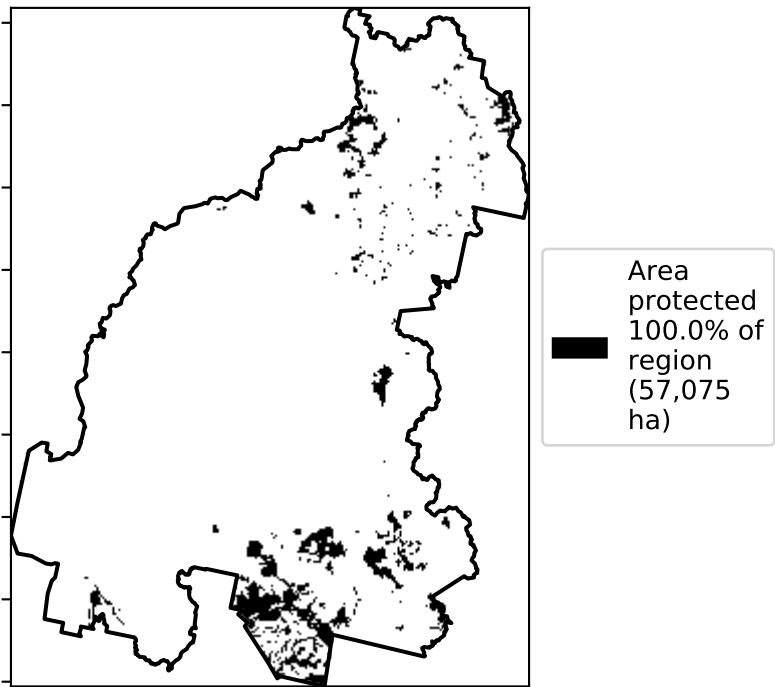
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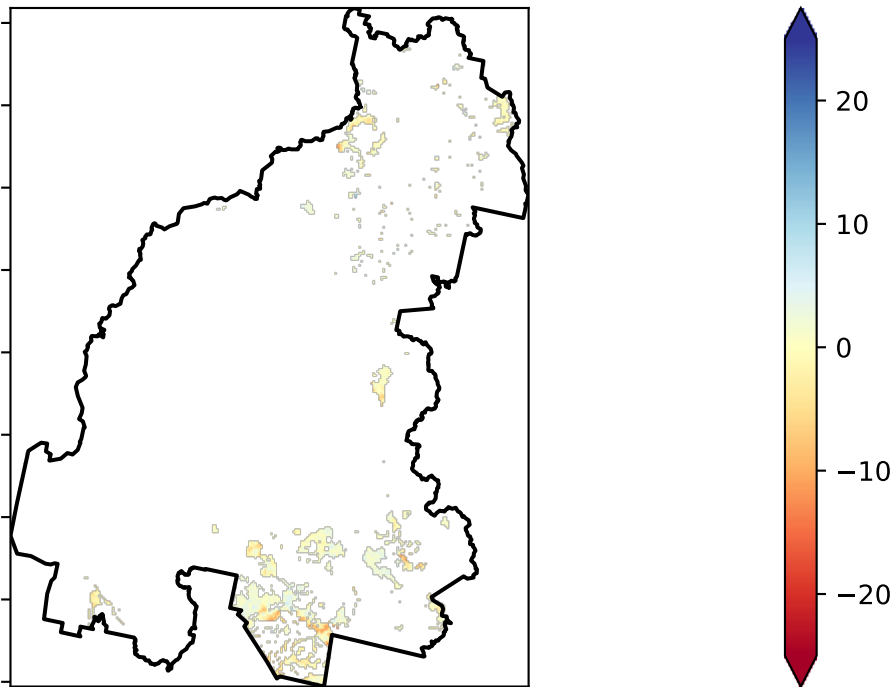


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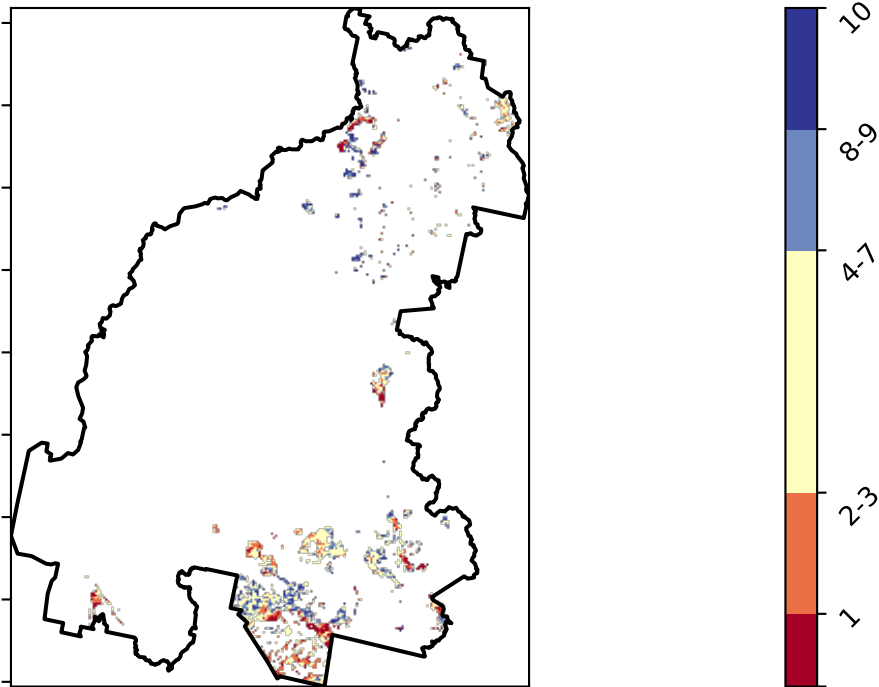
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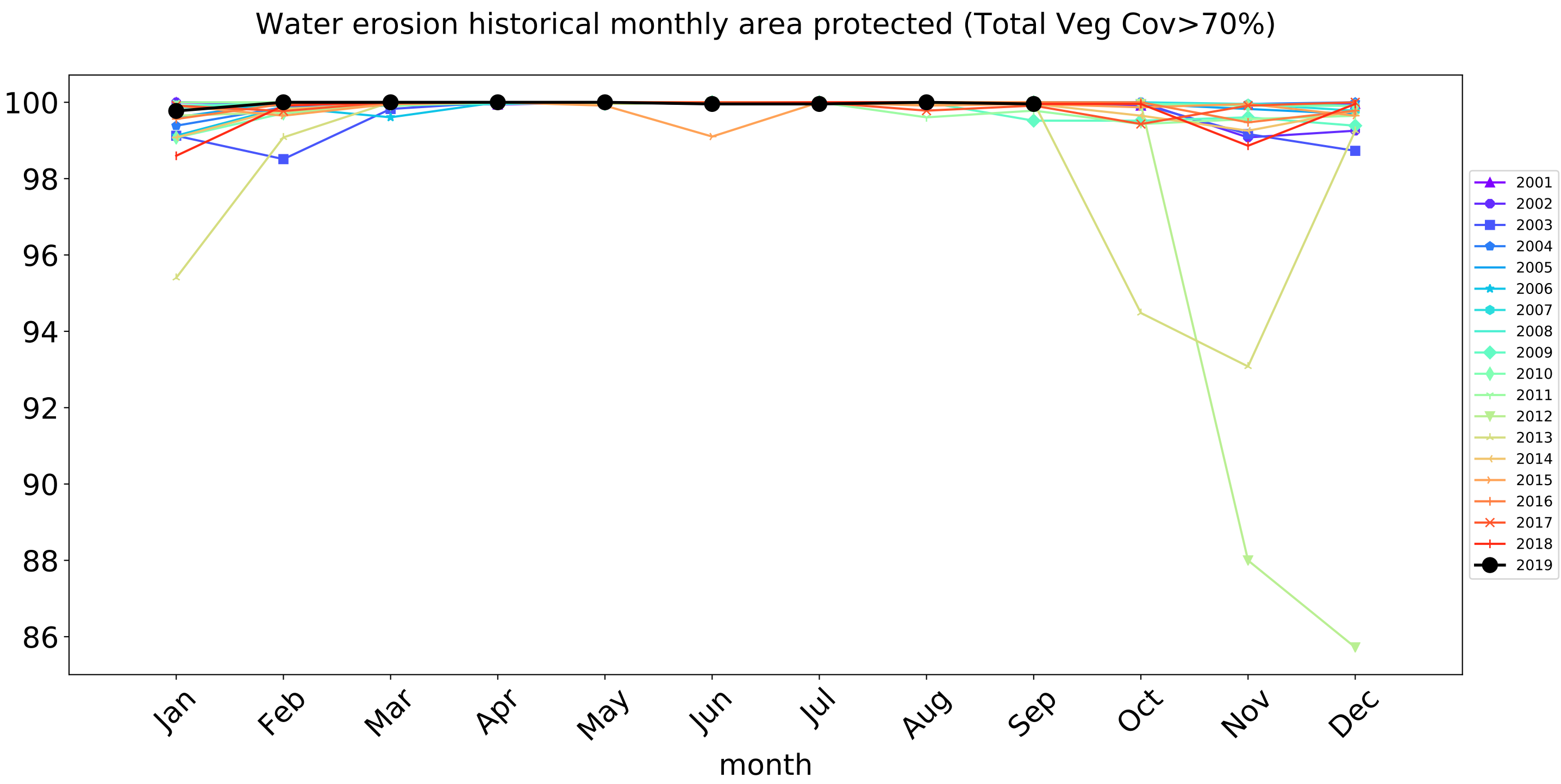
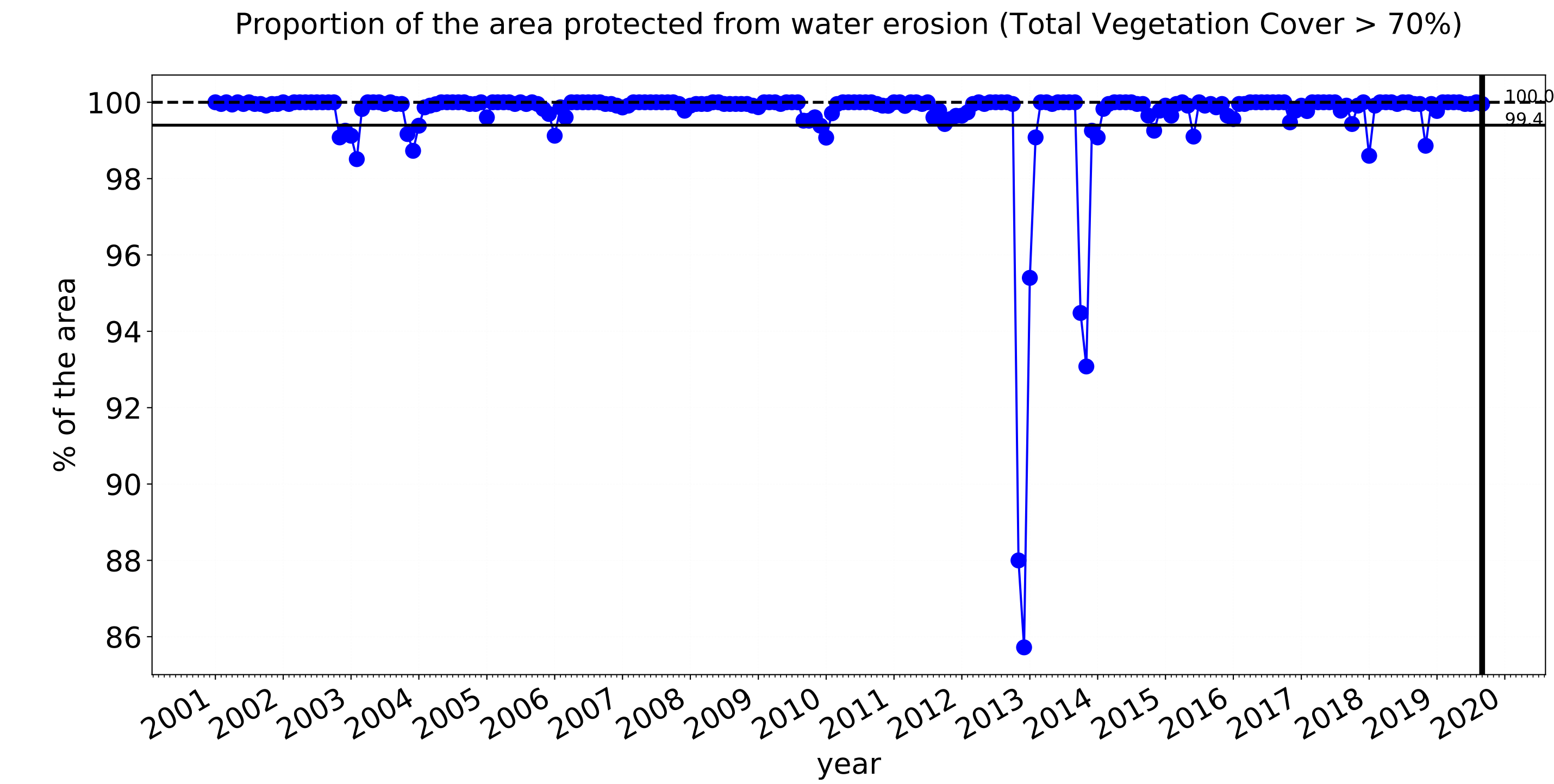
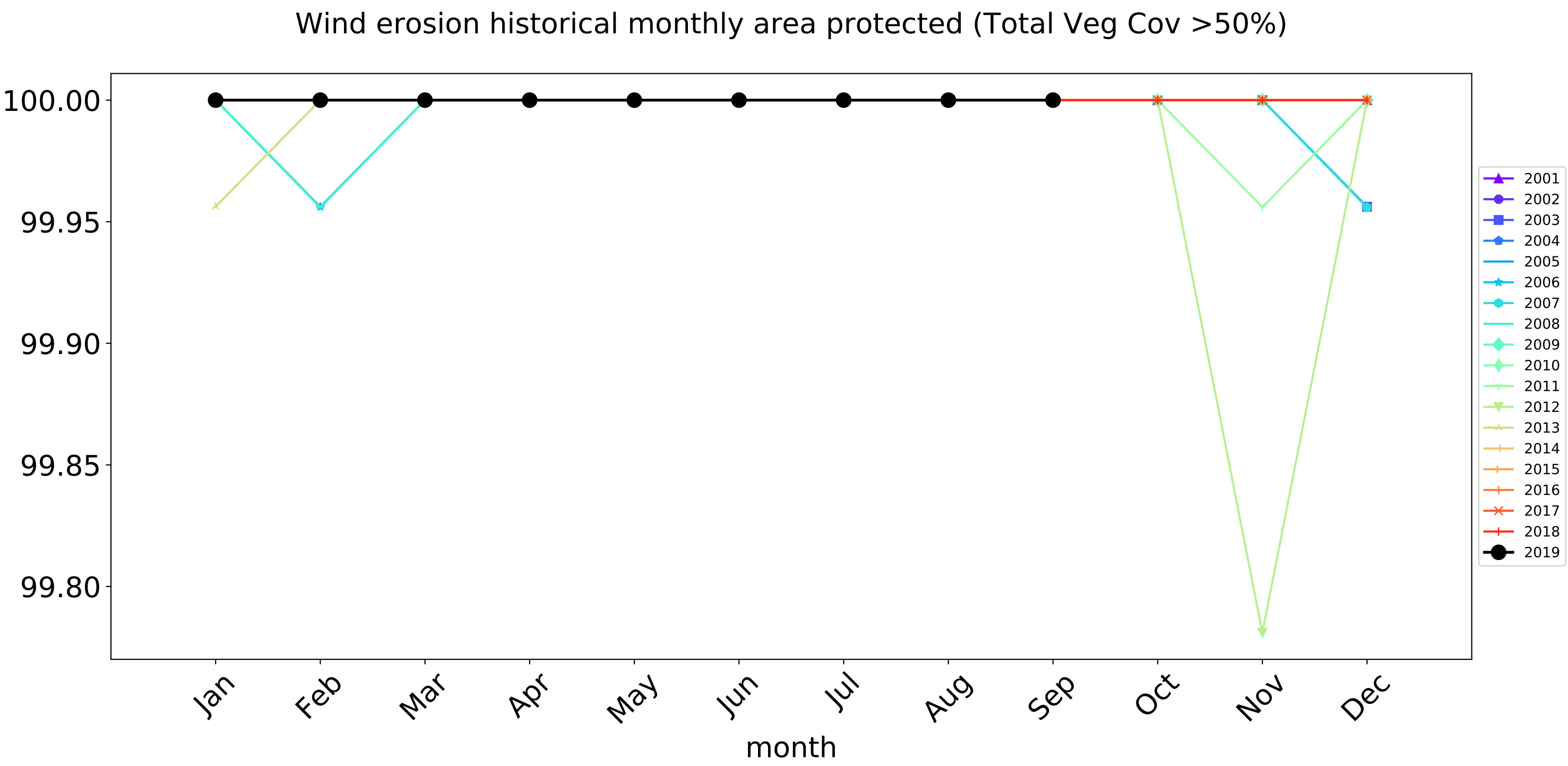
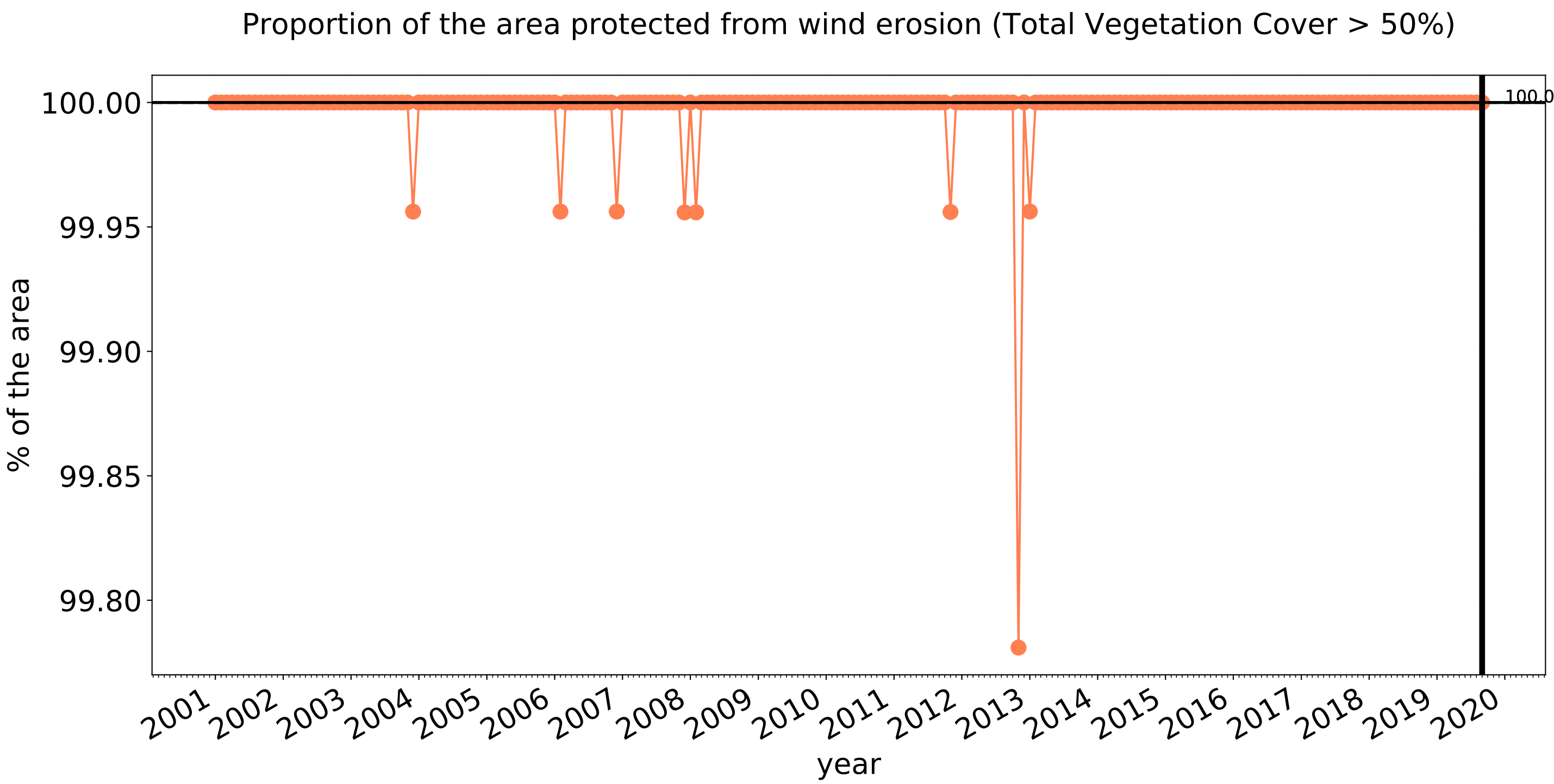


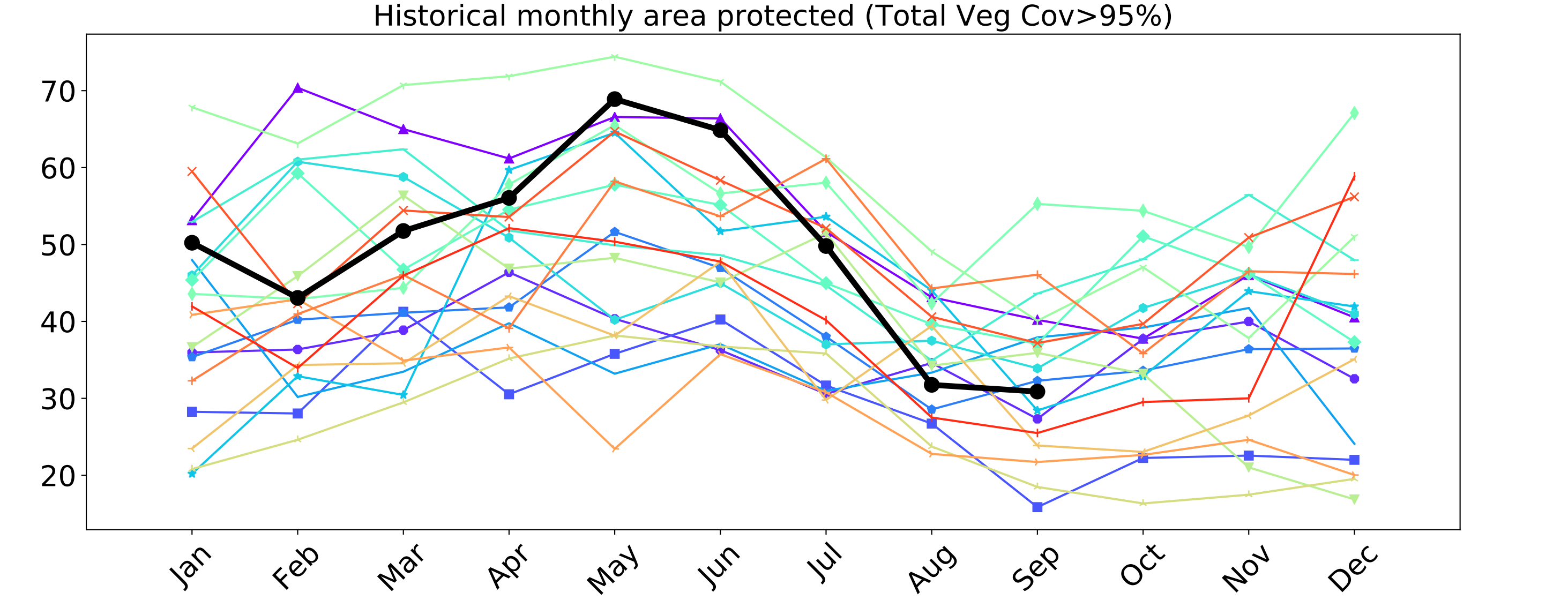
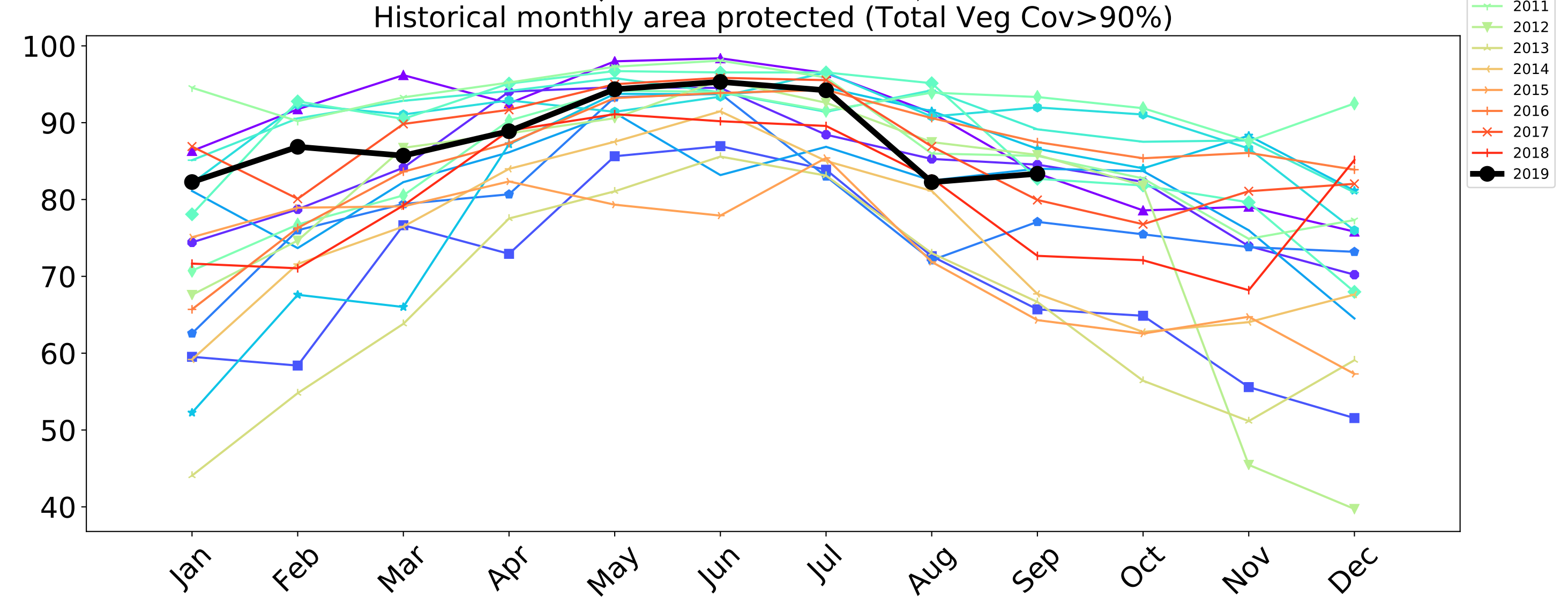
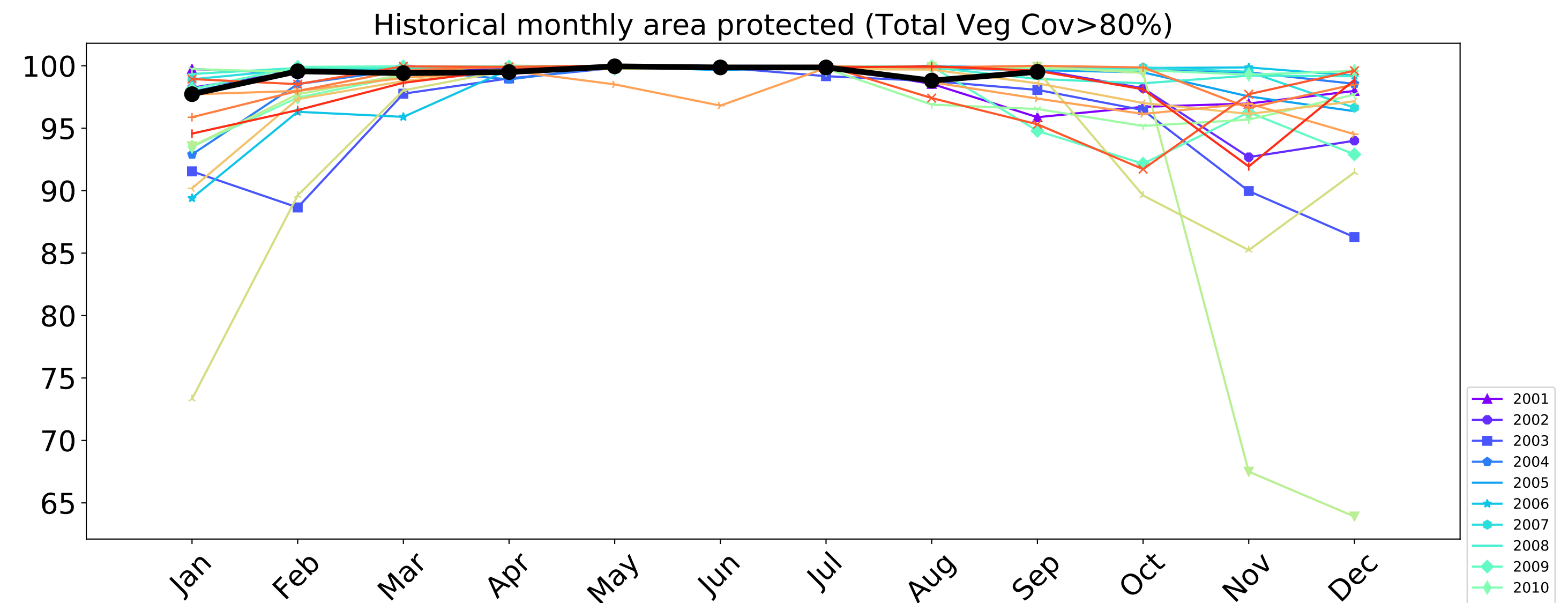
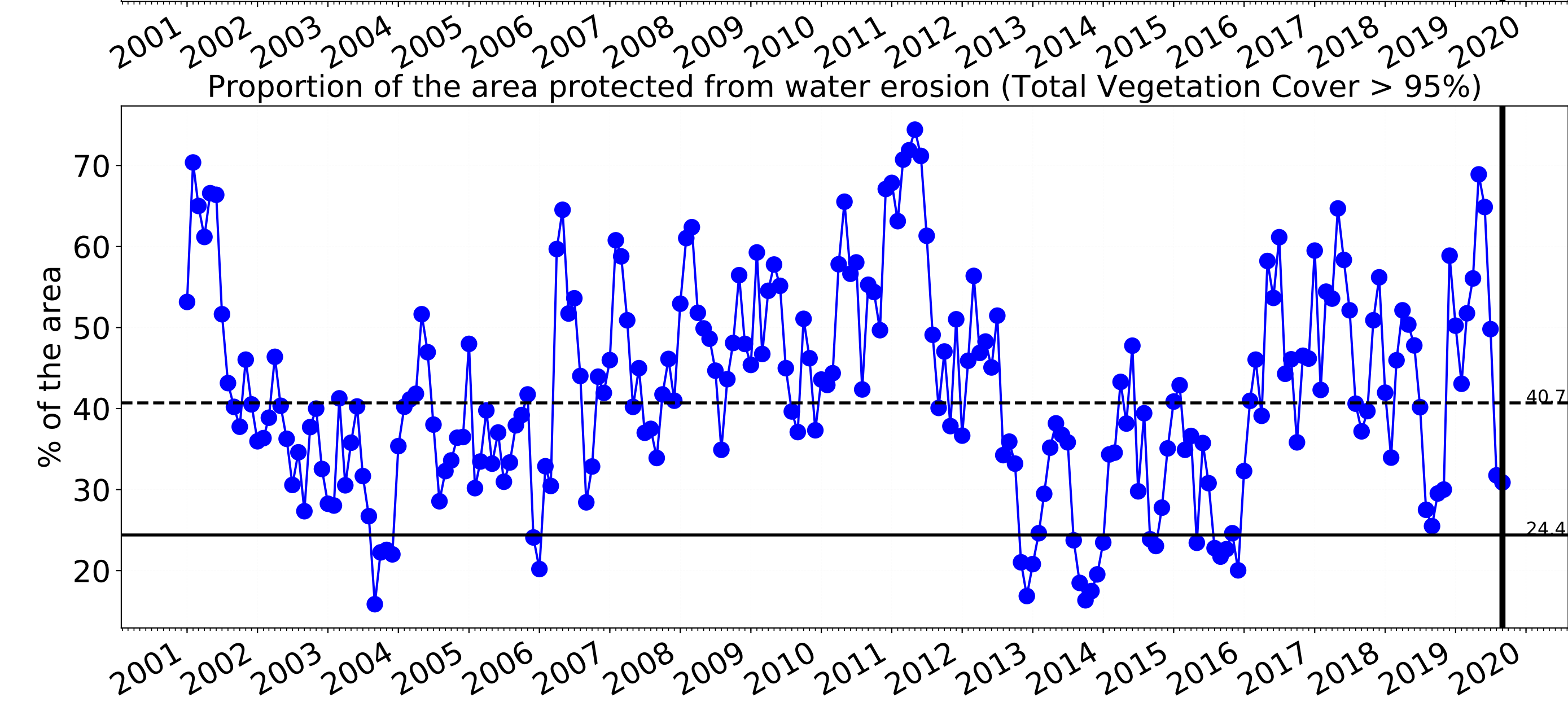
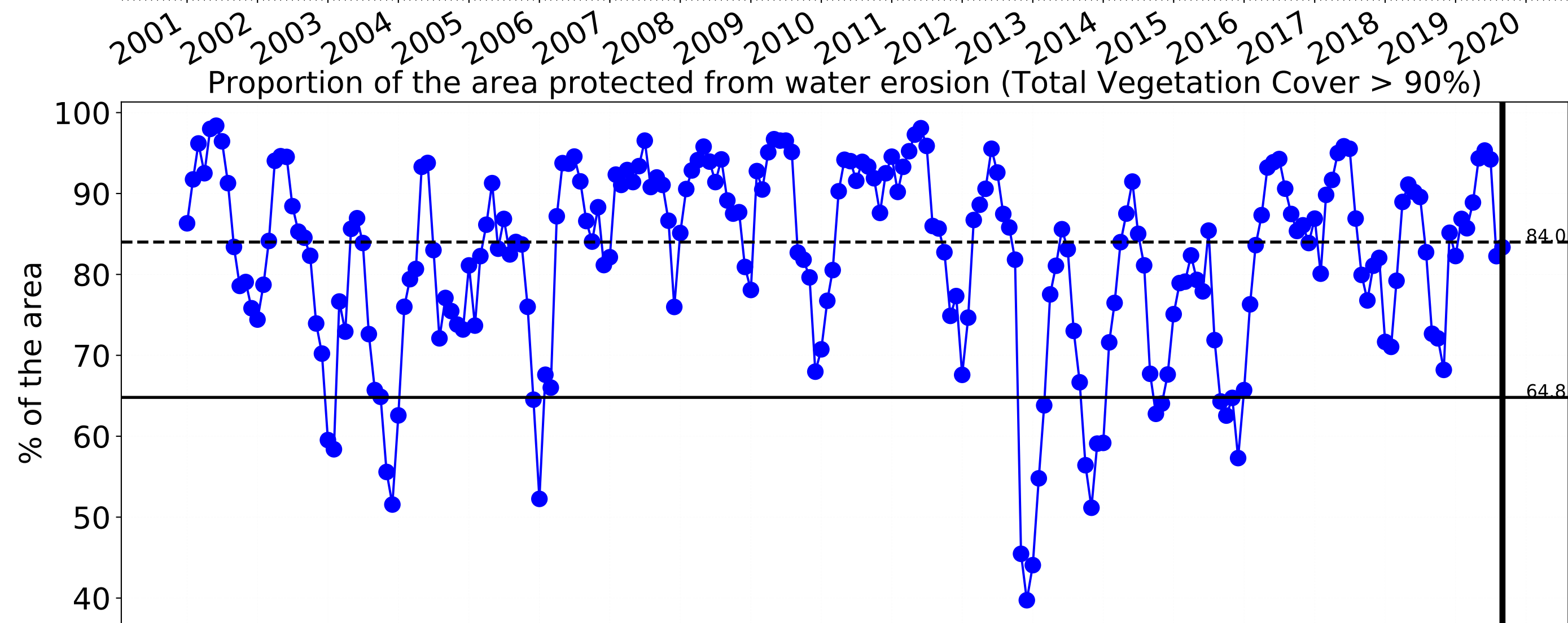
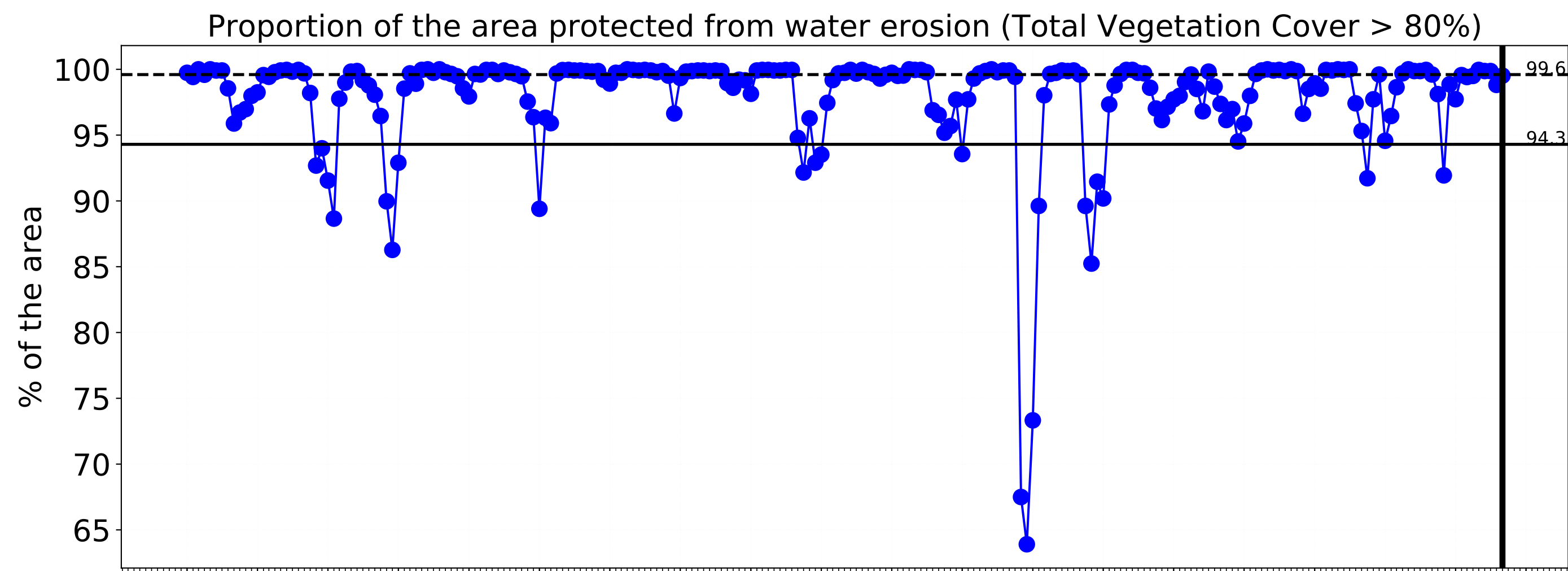
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Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries

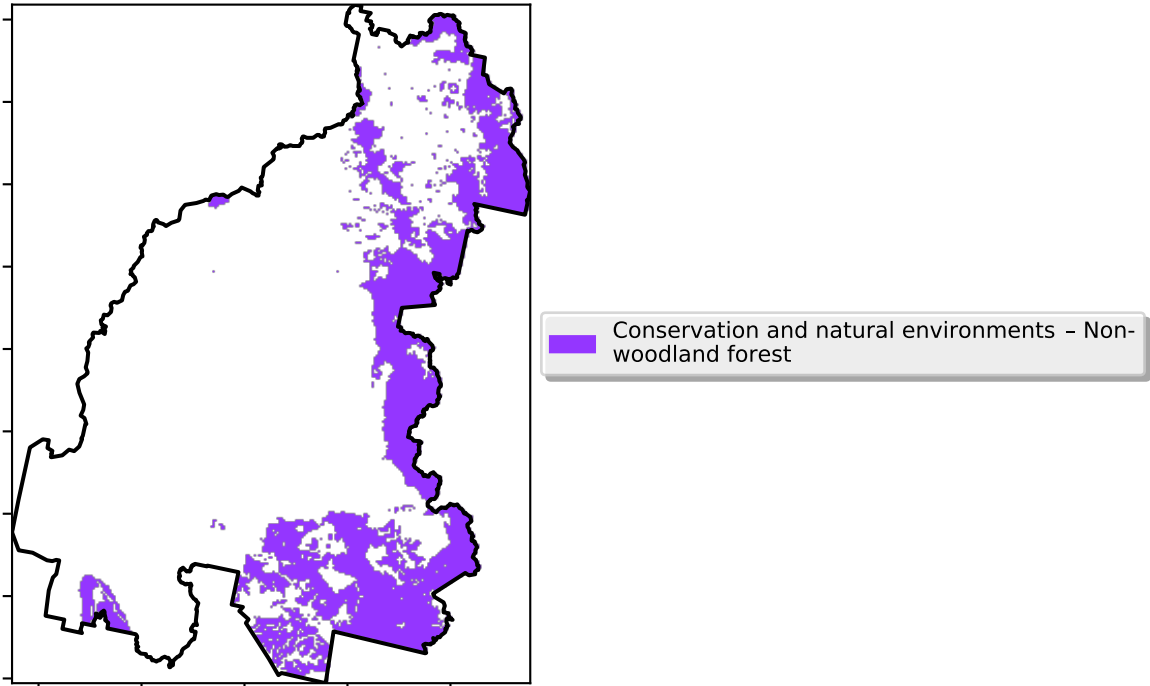




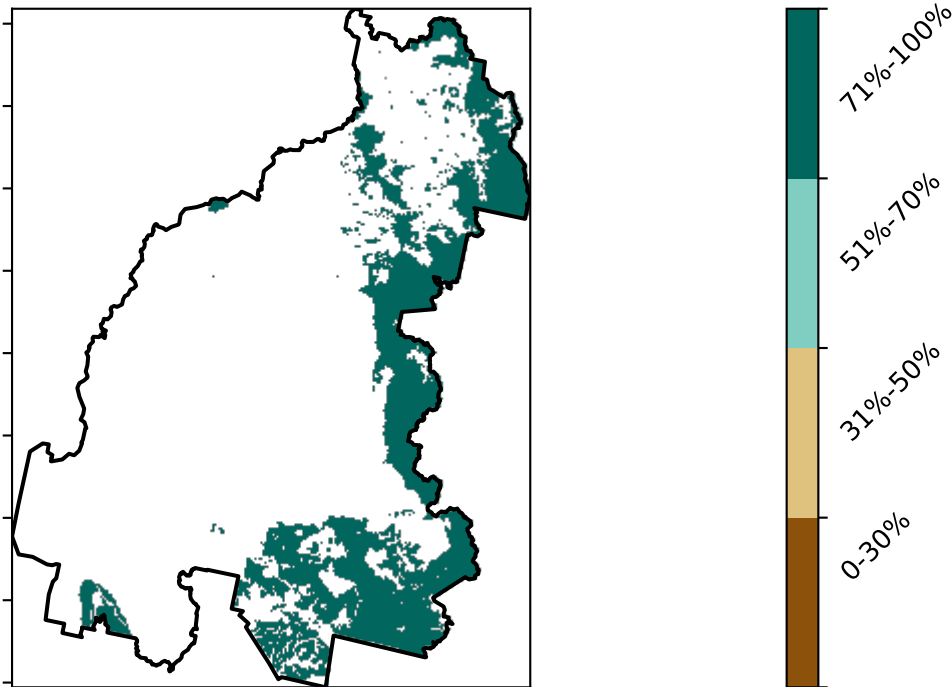
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)

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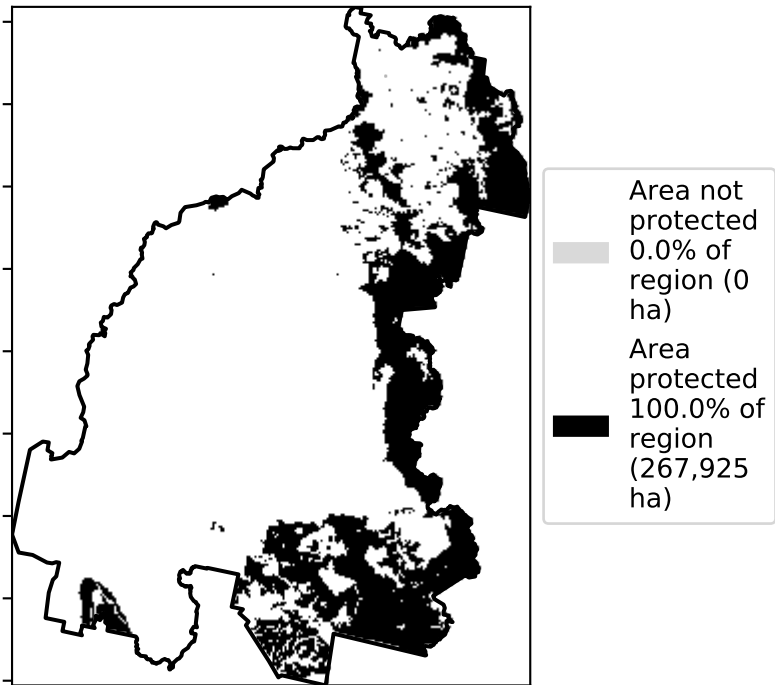
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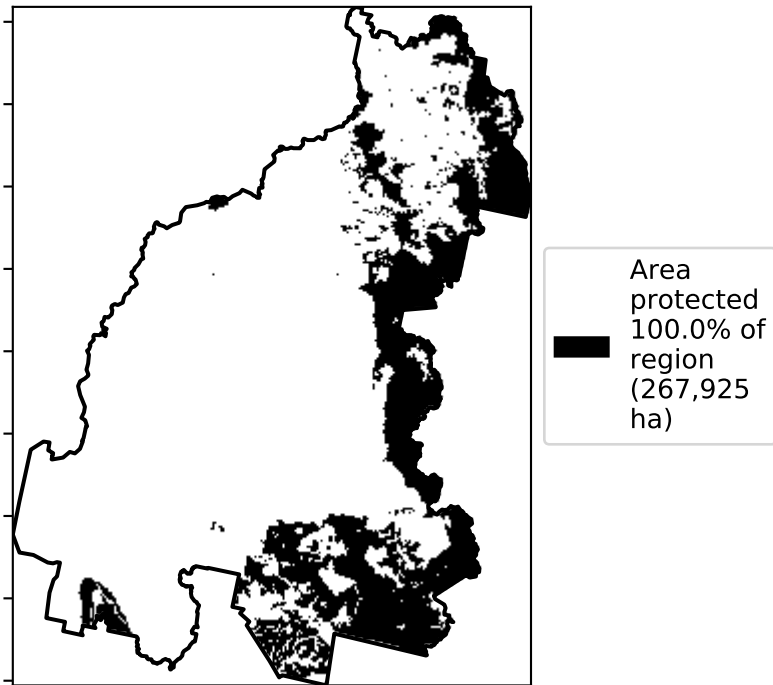
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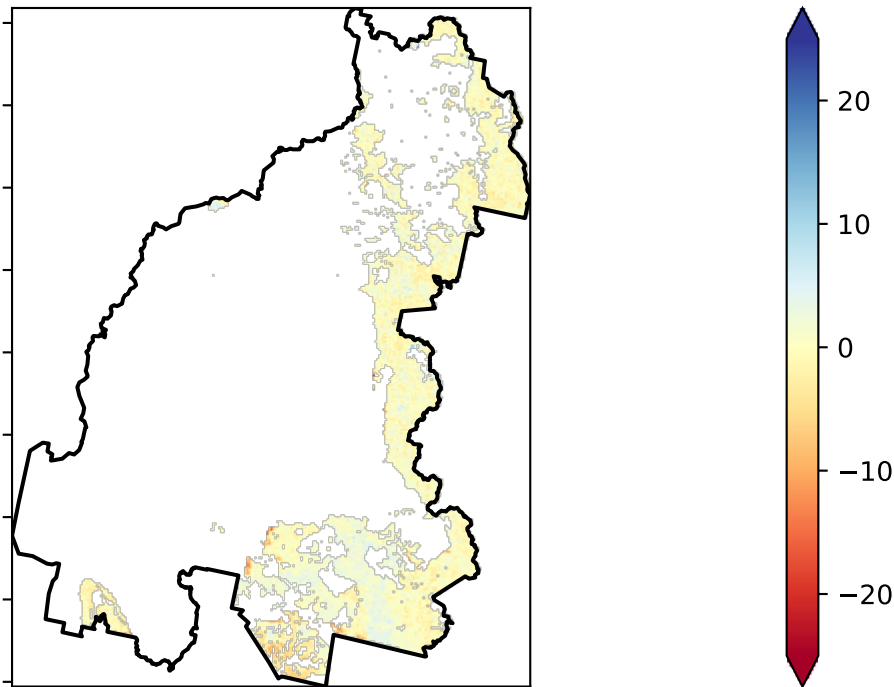


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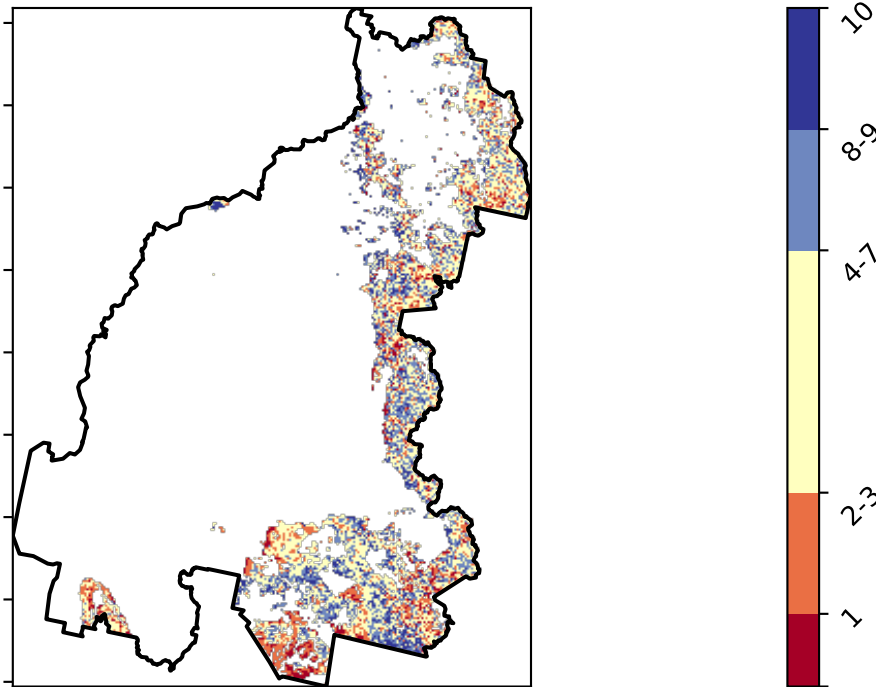
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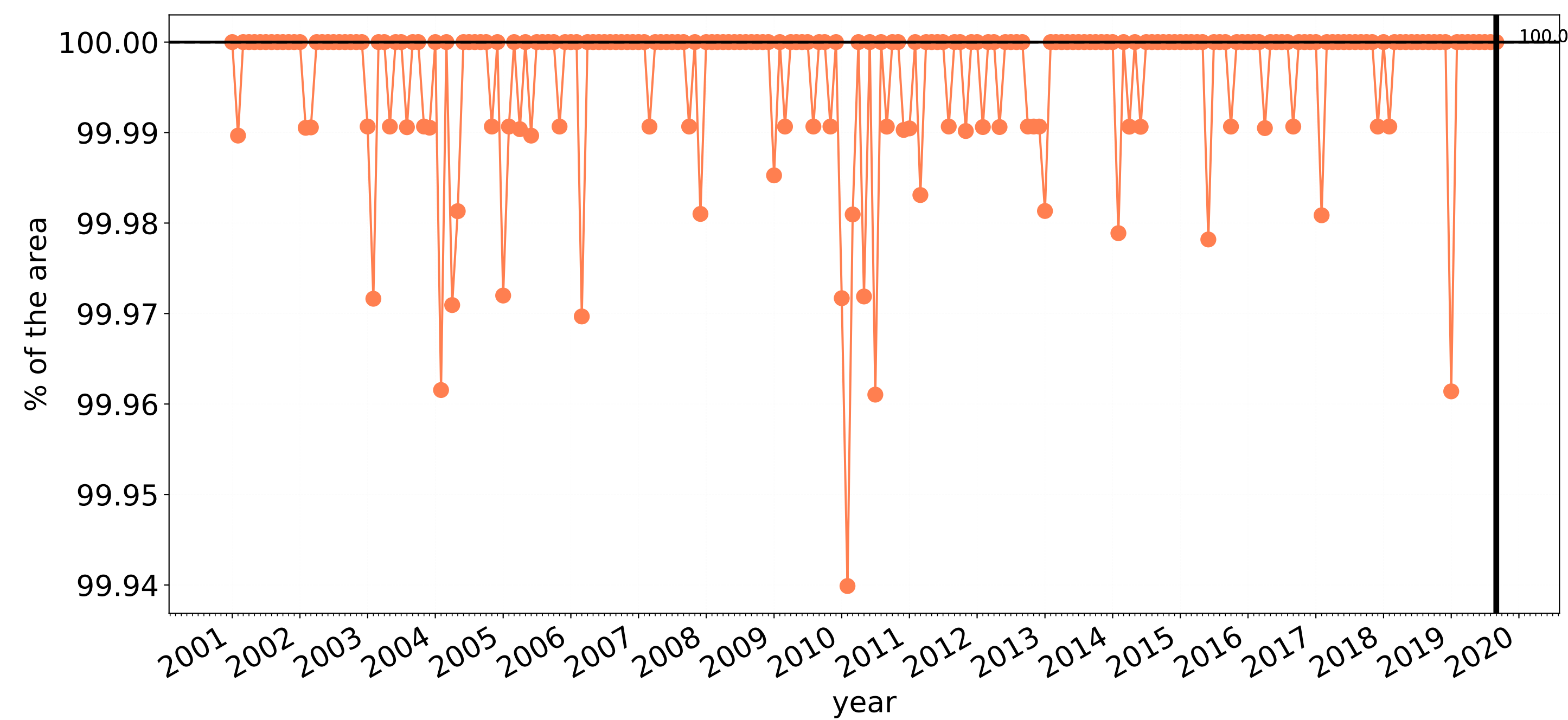
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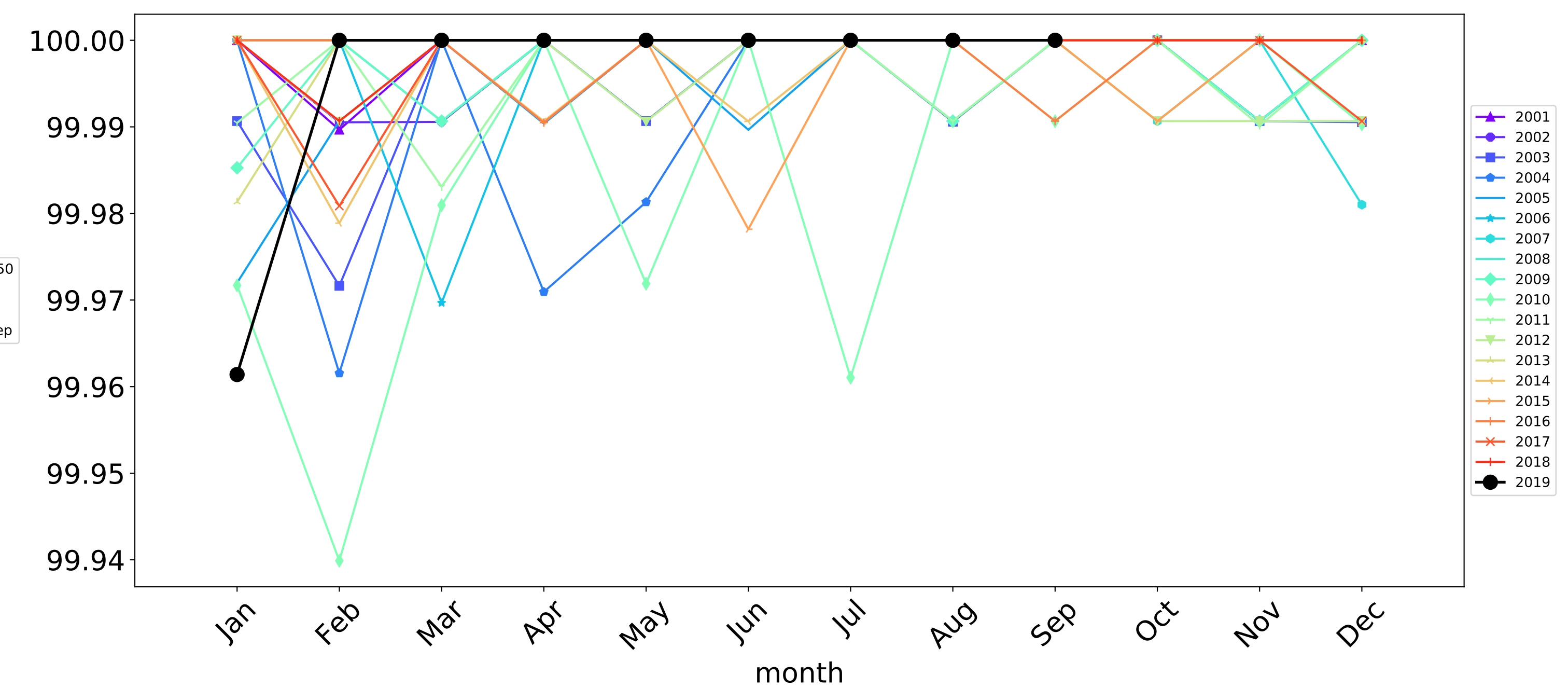
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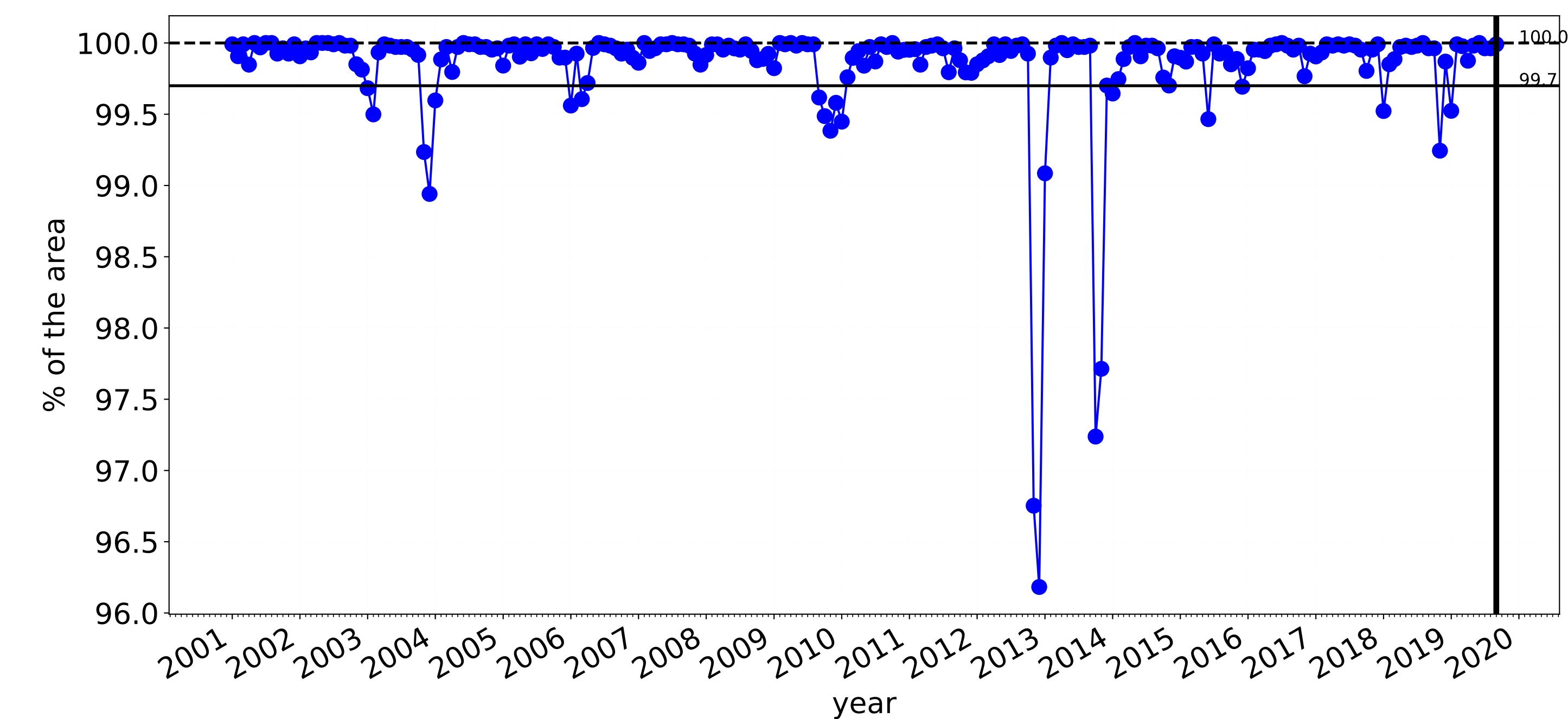
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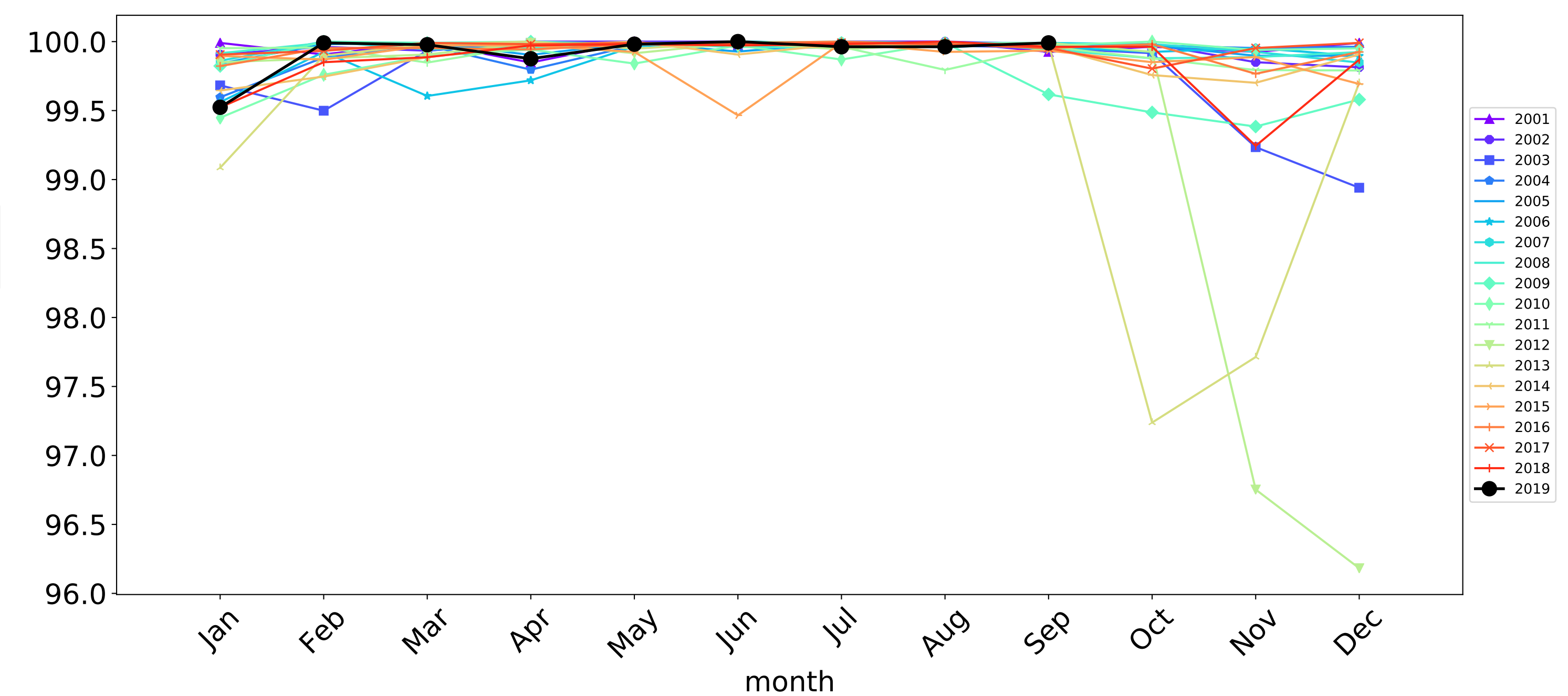
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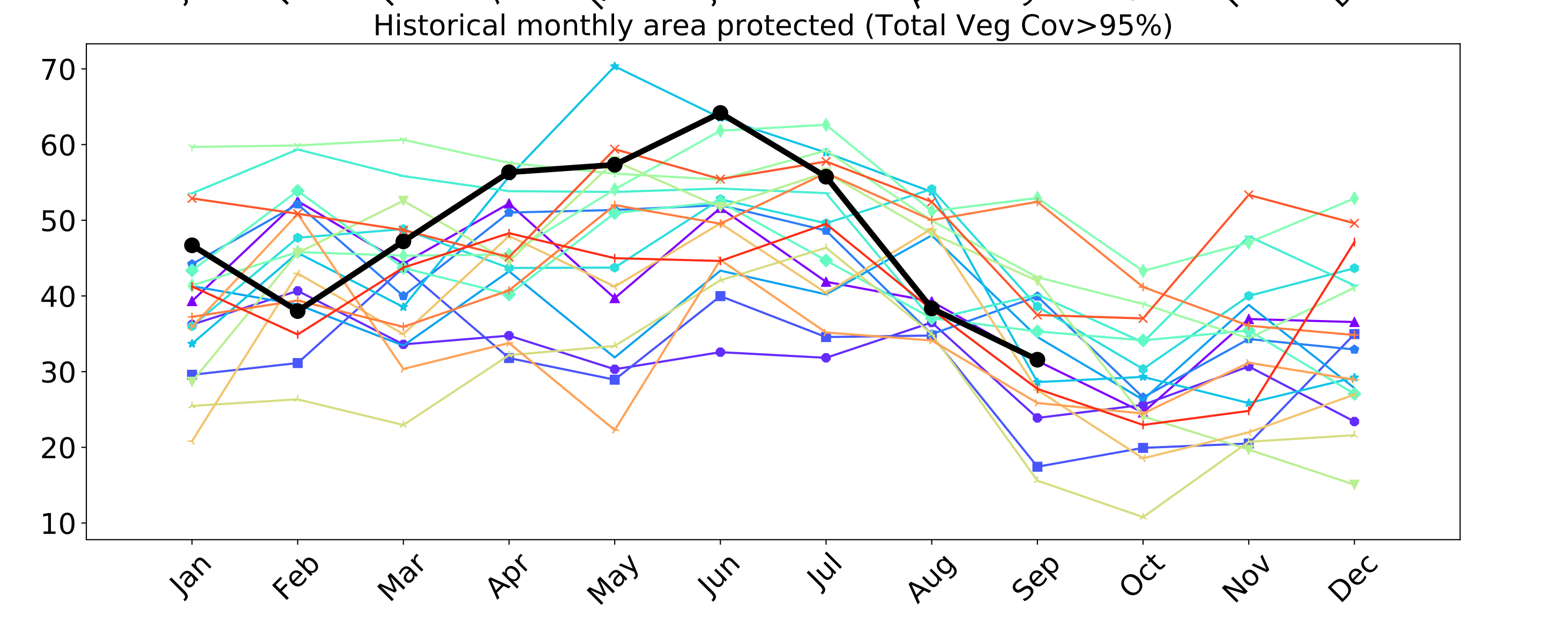
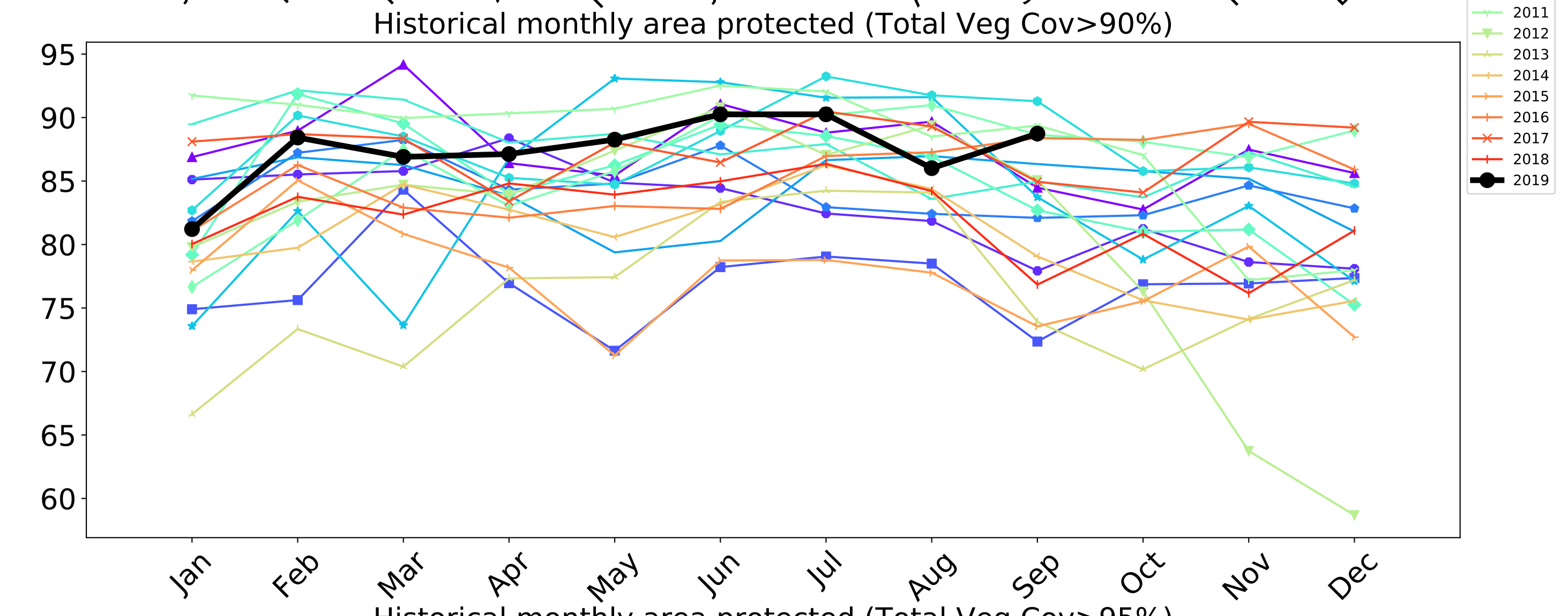
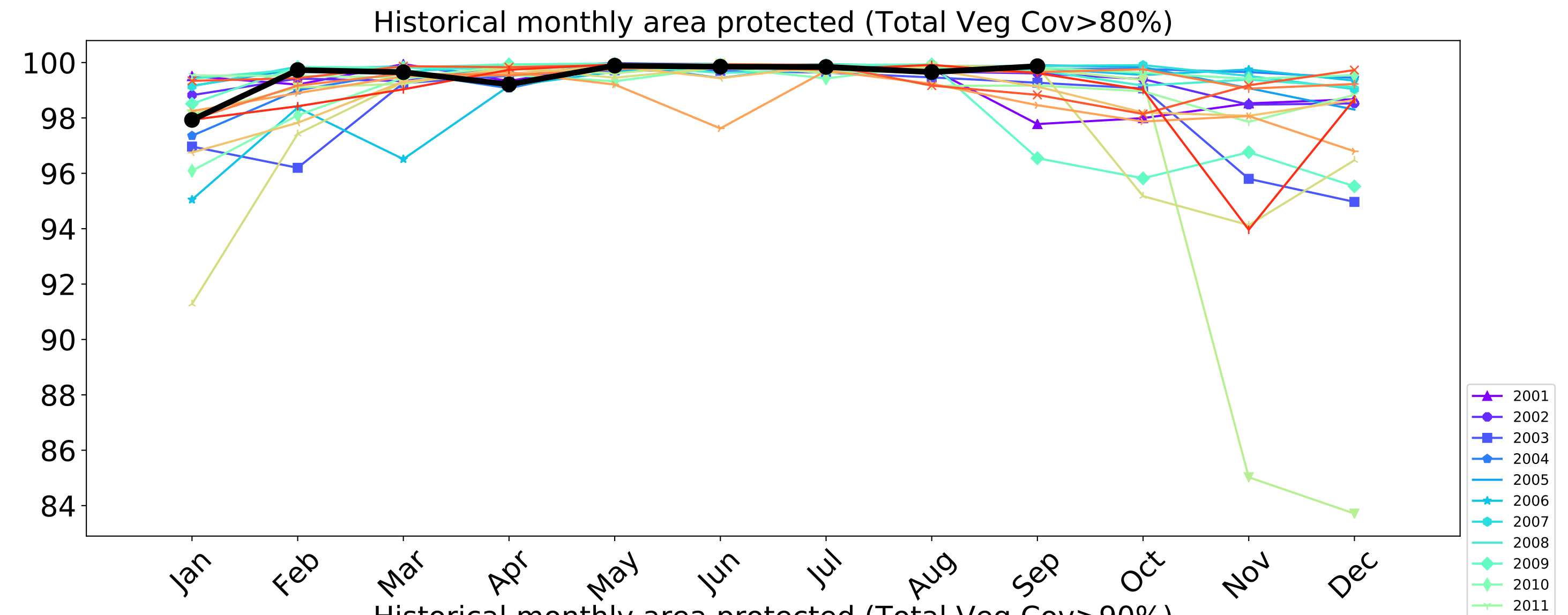
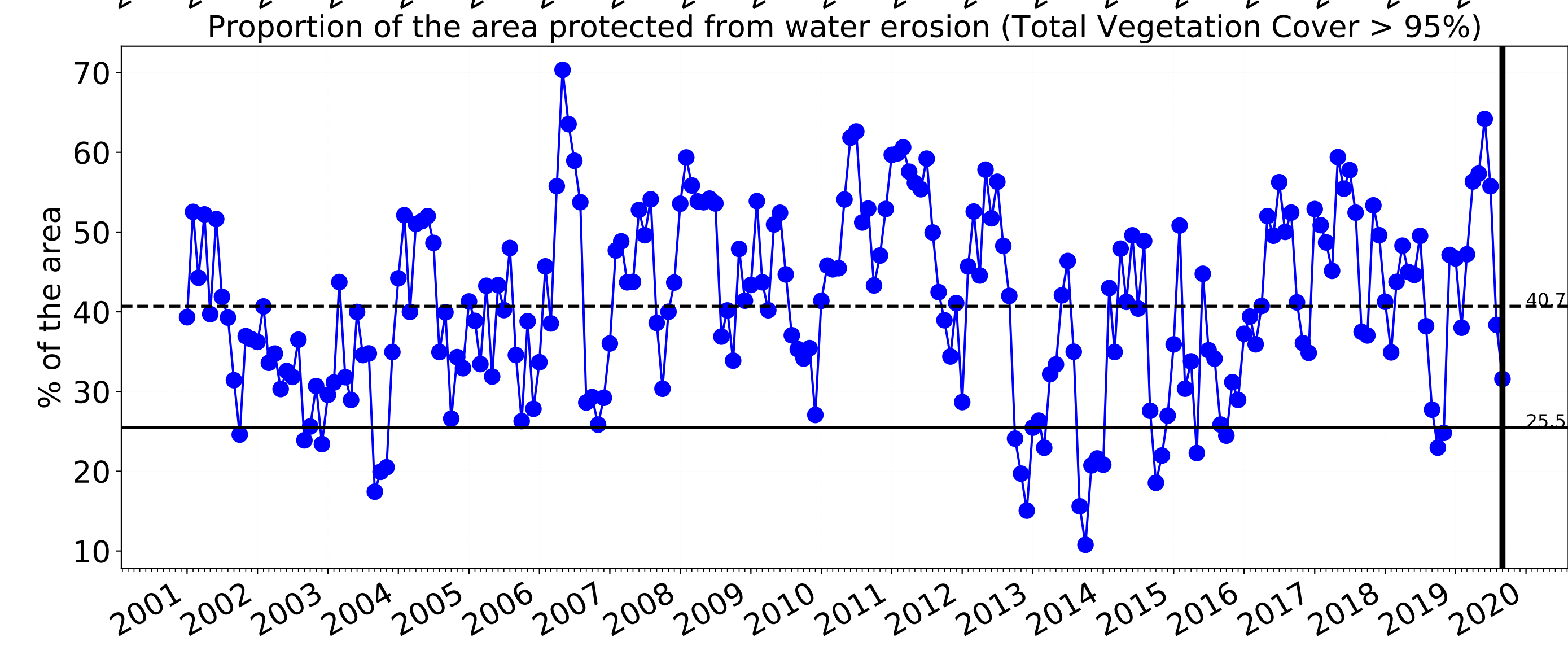
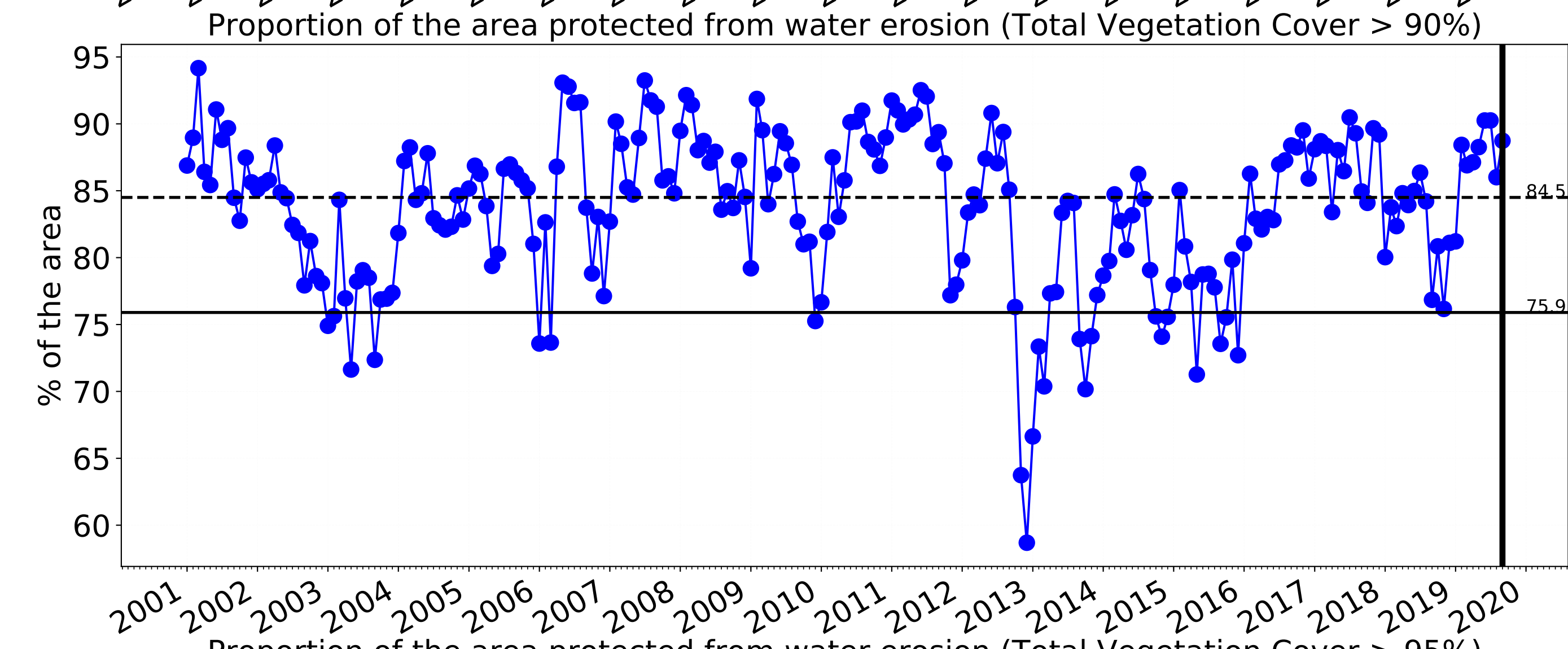
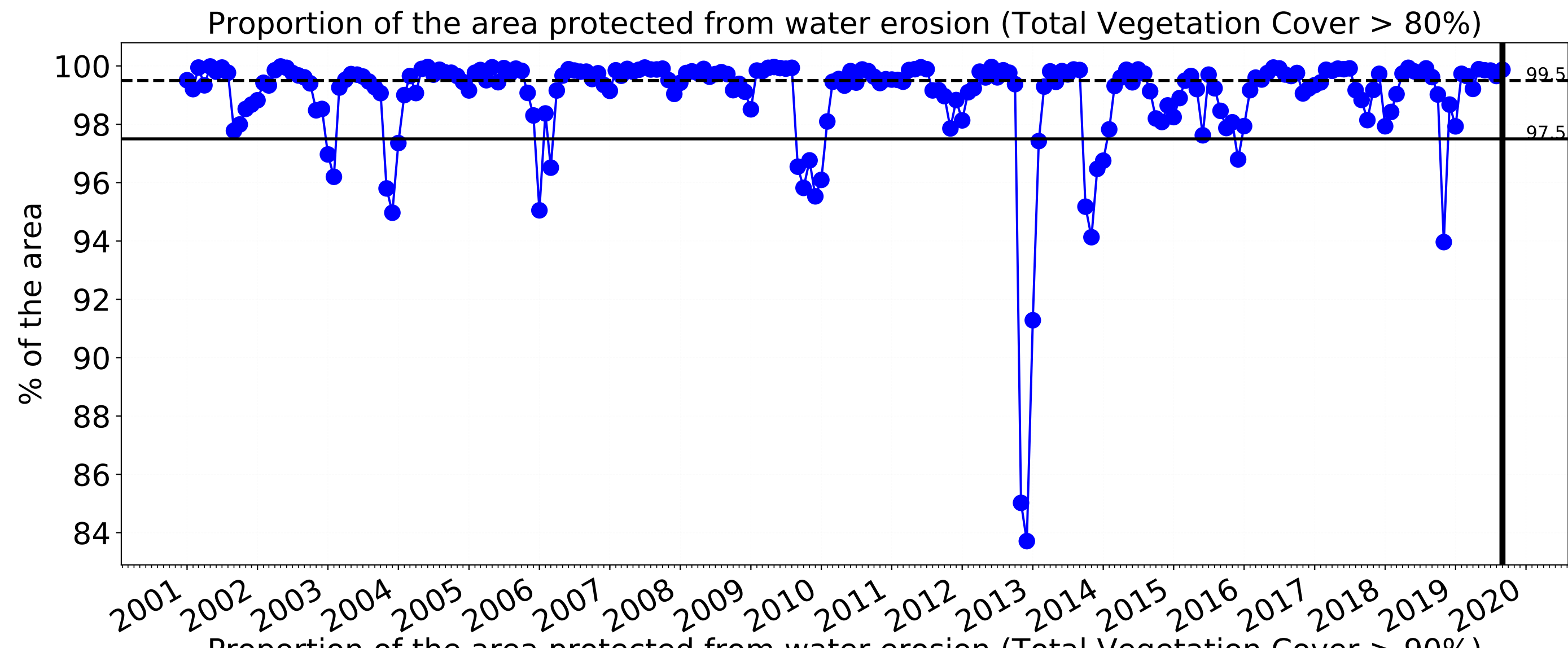


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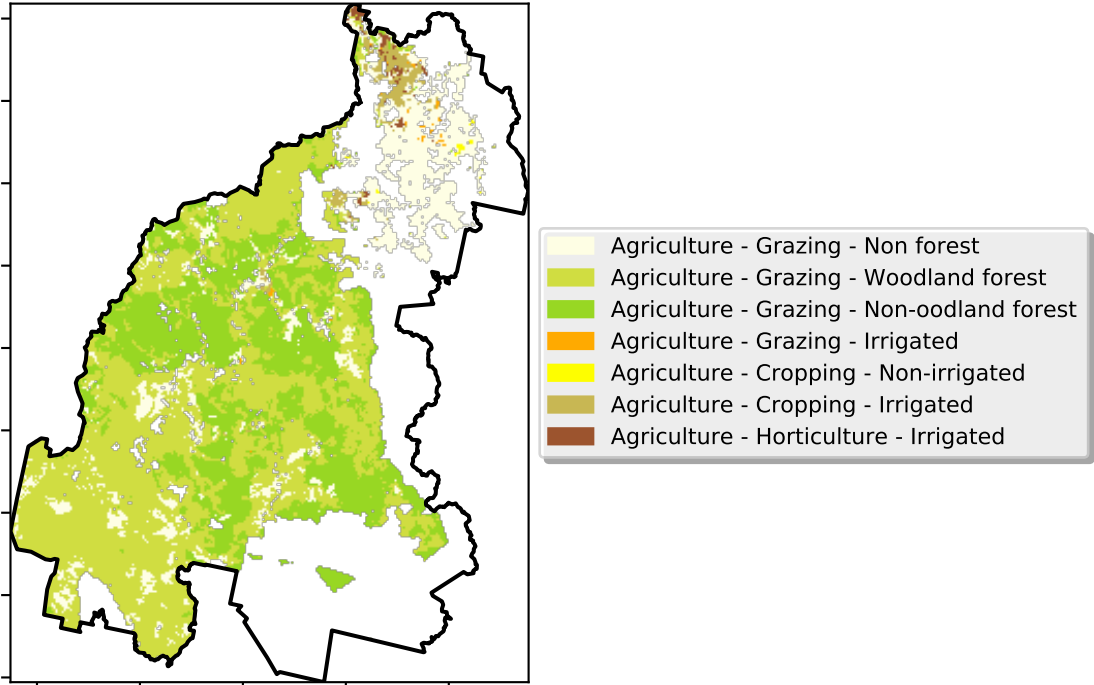




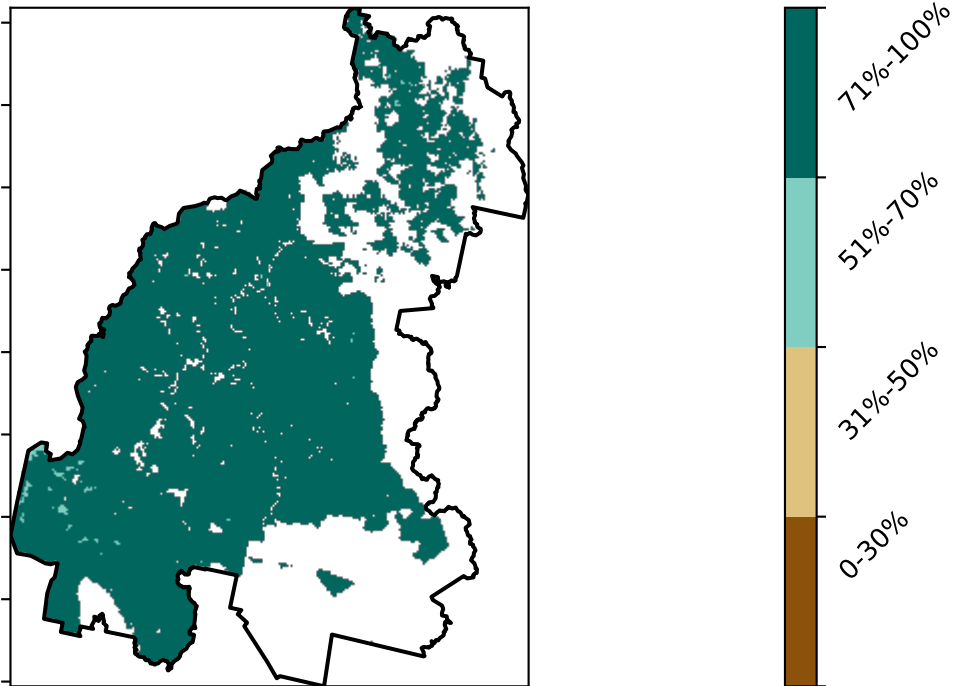
Agriculture

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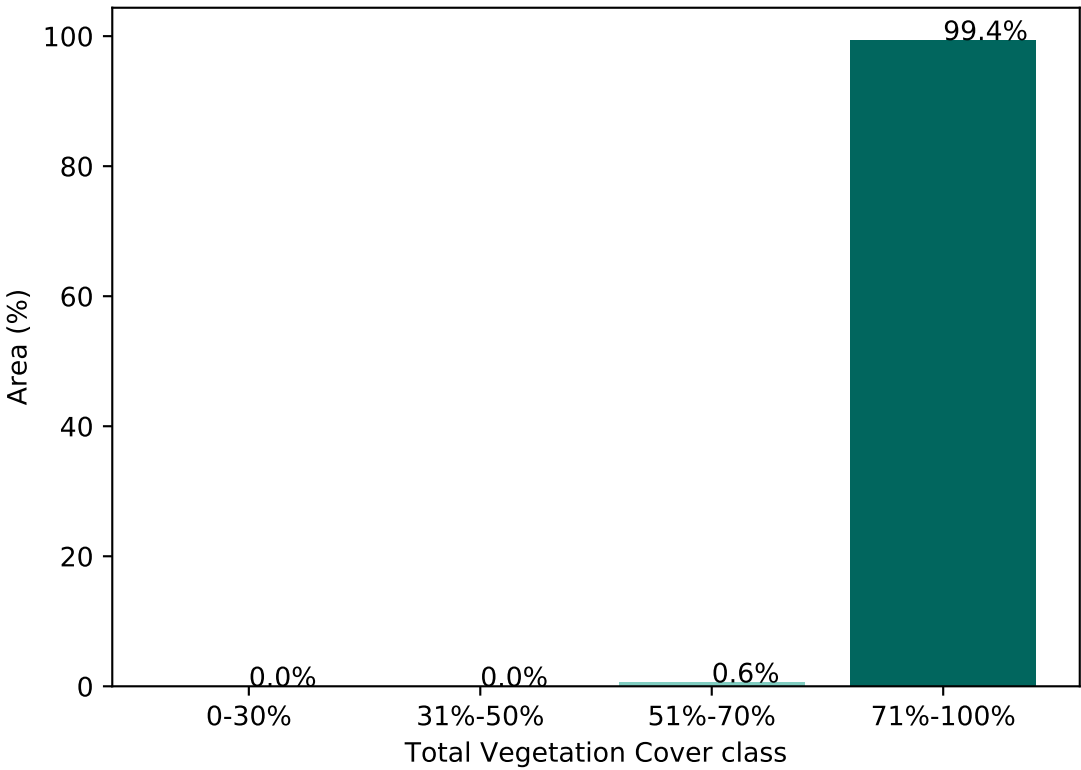
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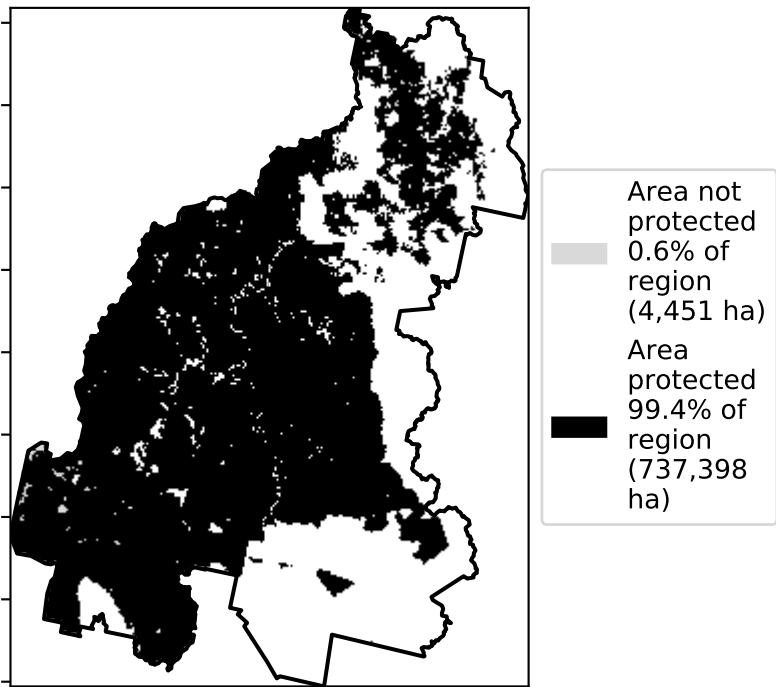
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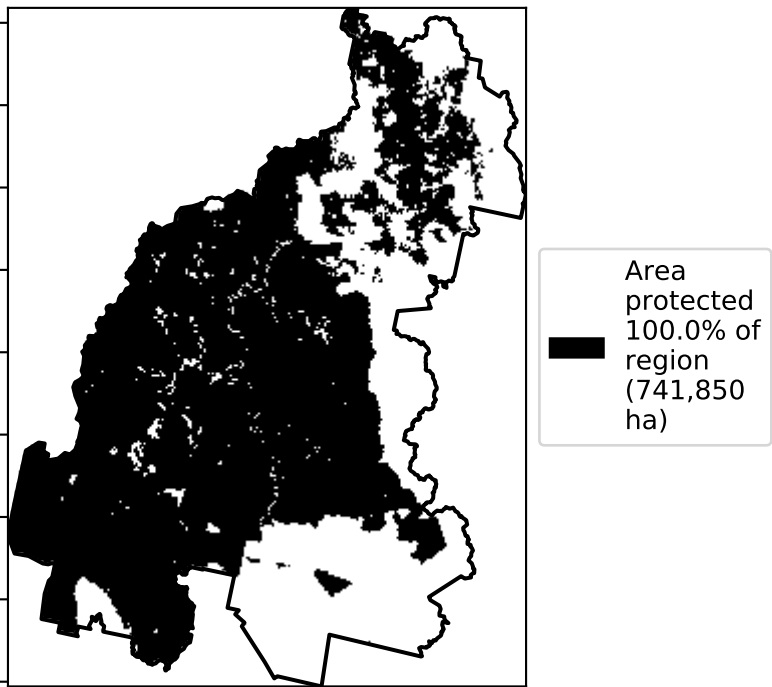
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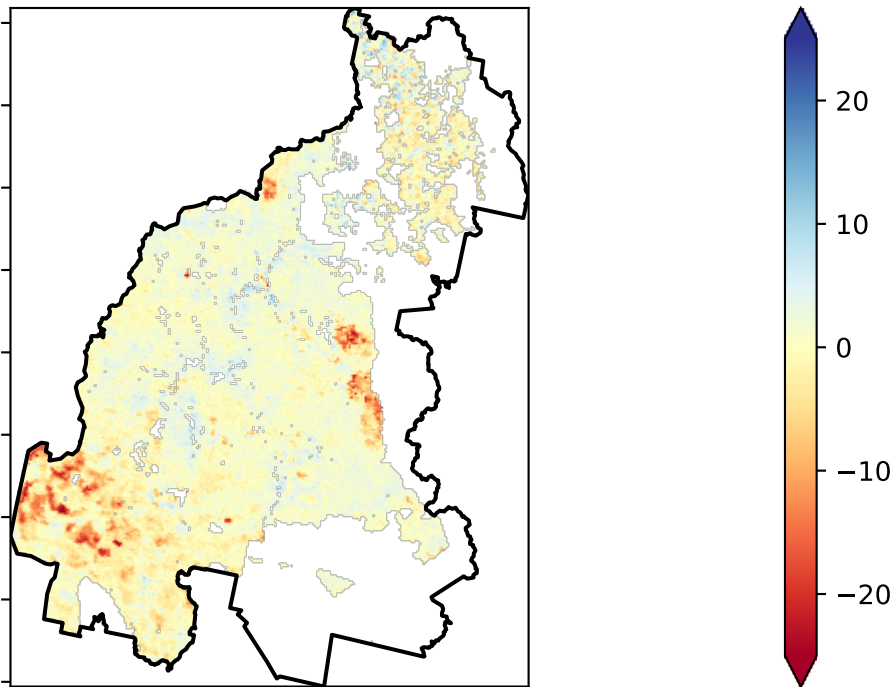


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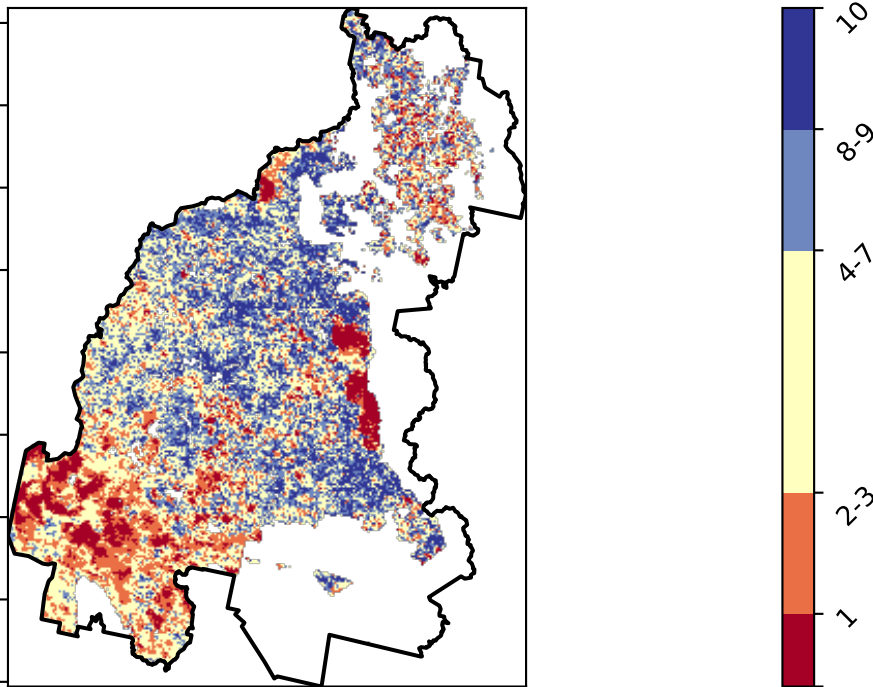
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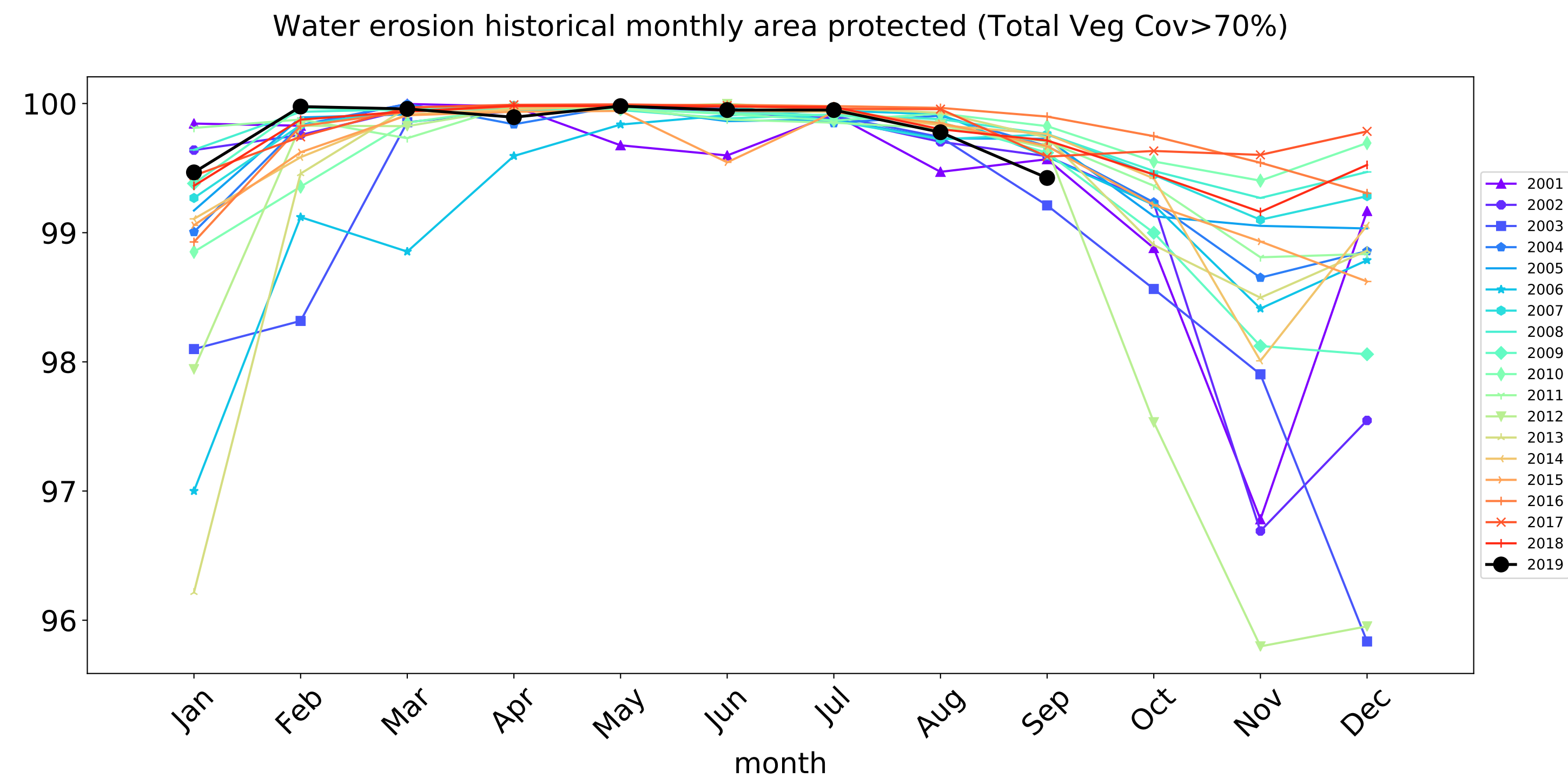
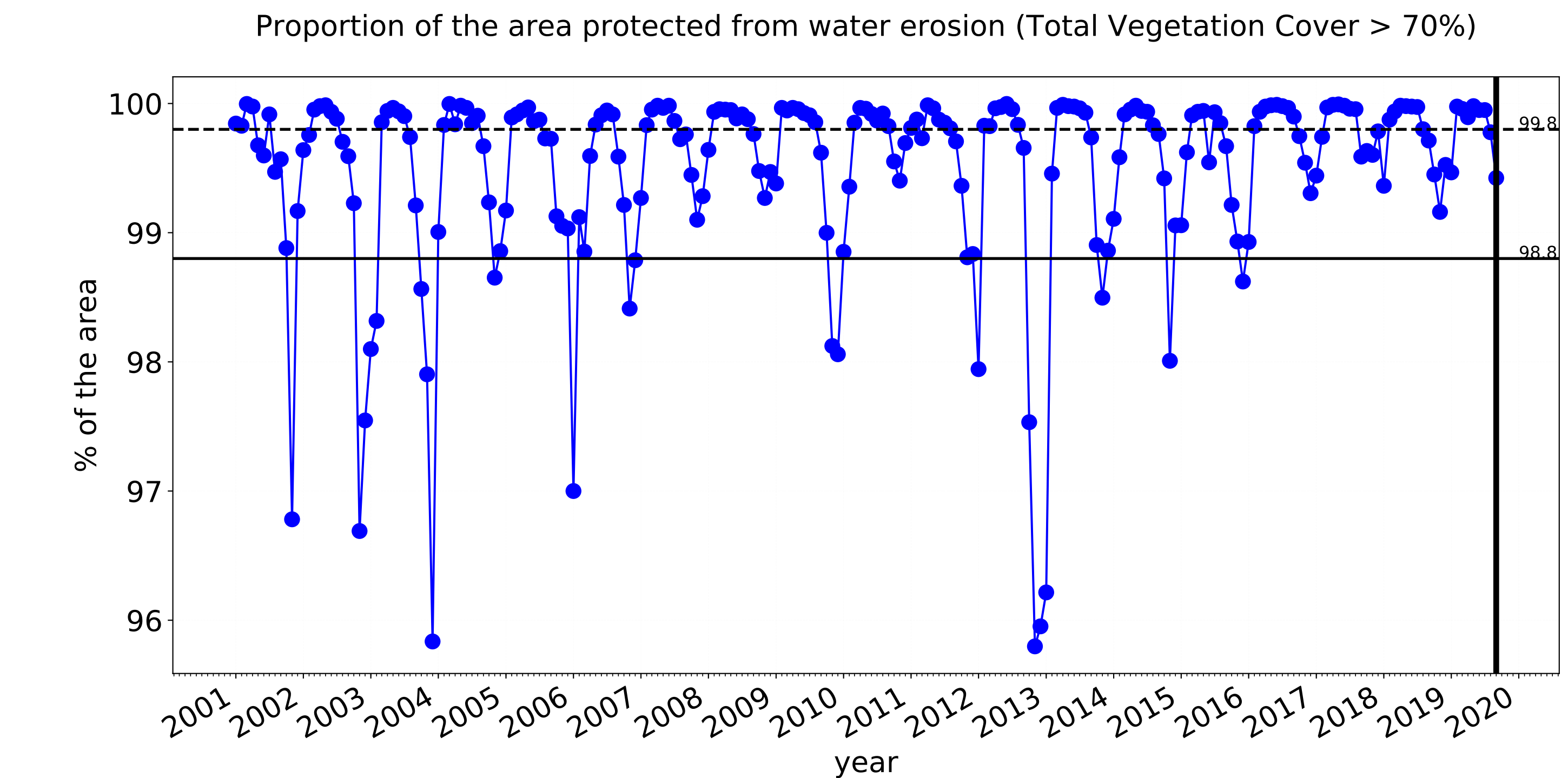
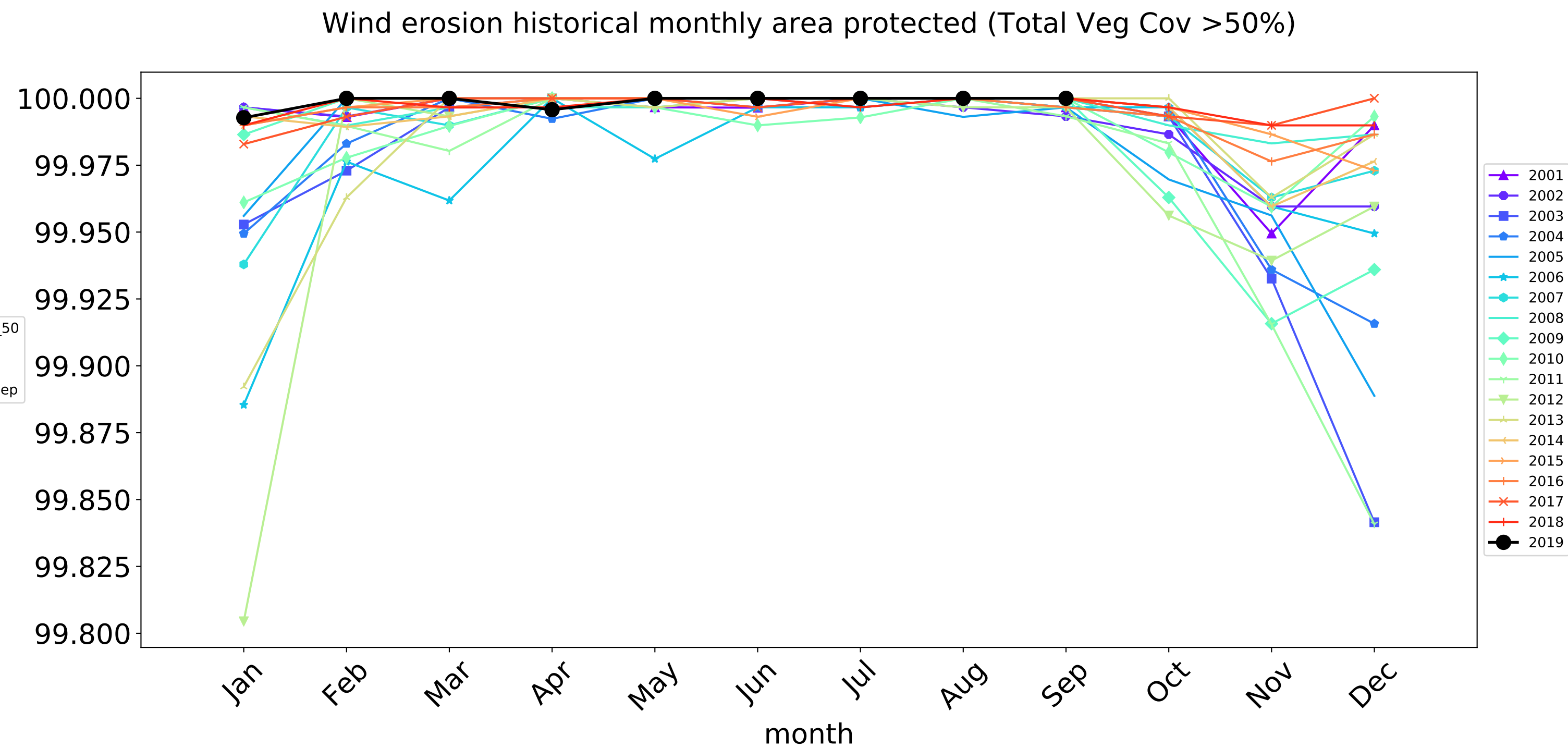
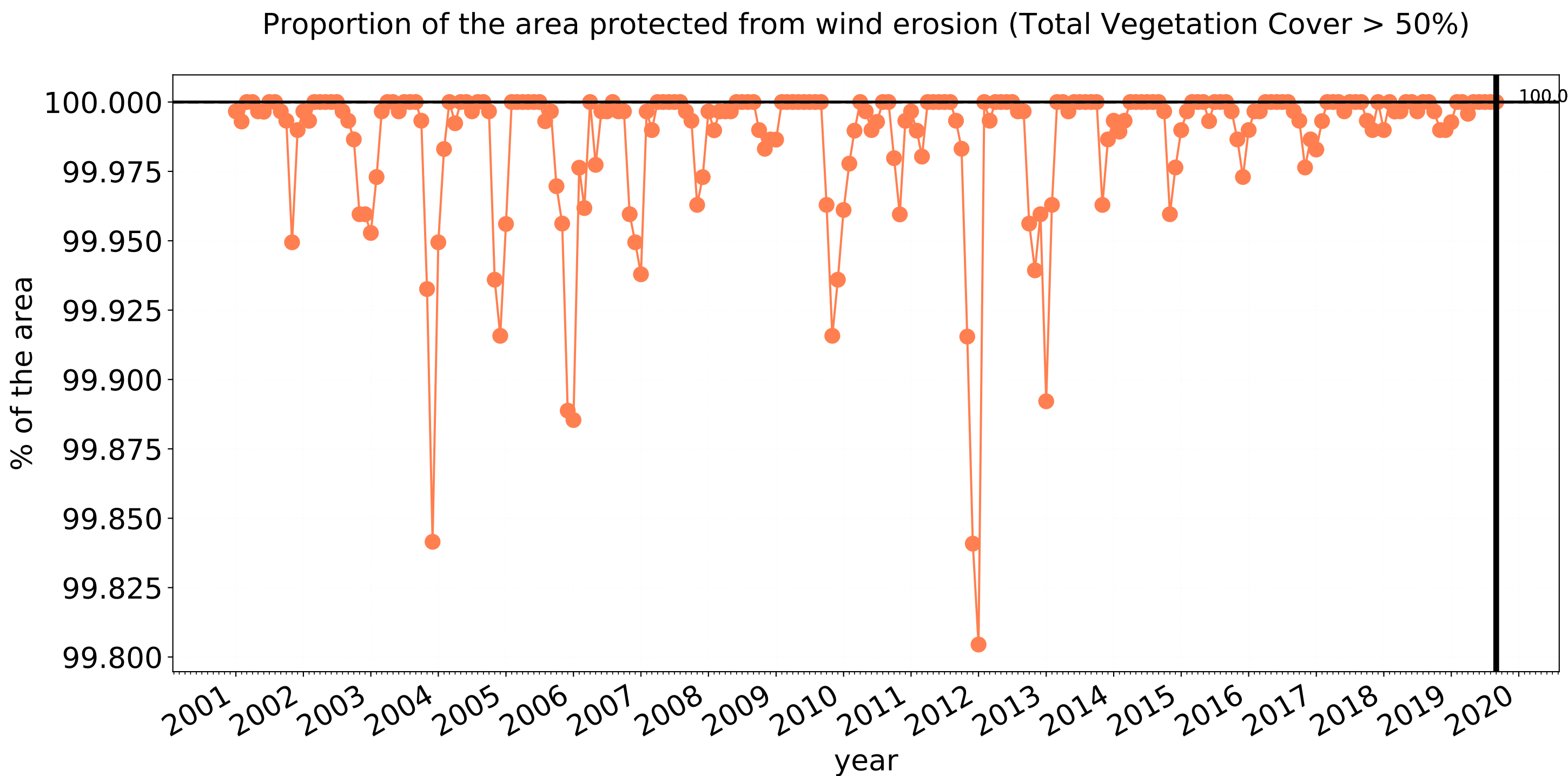


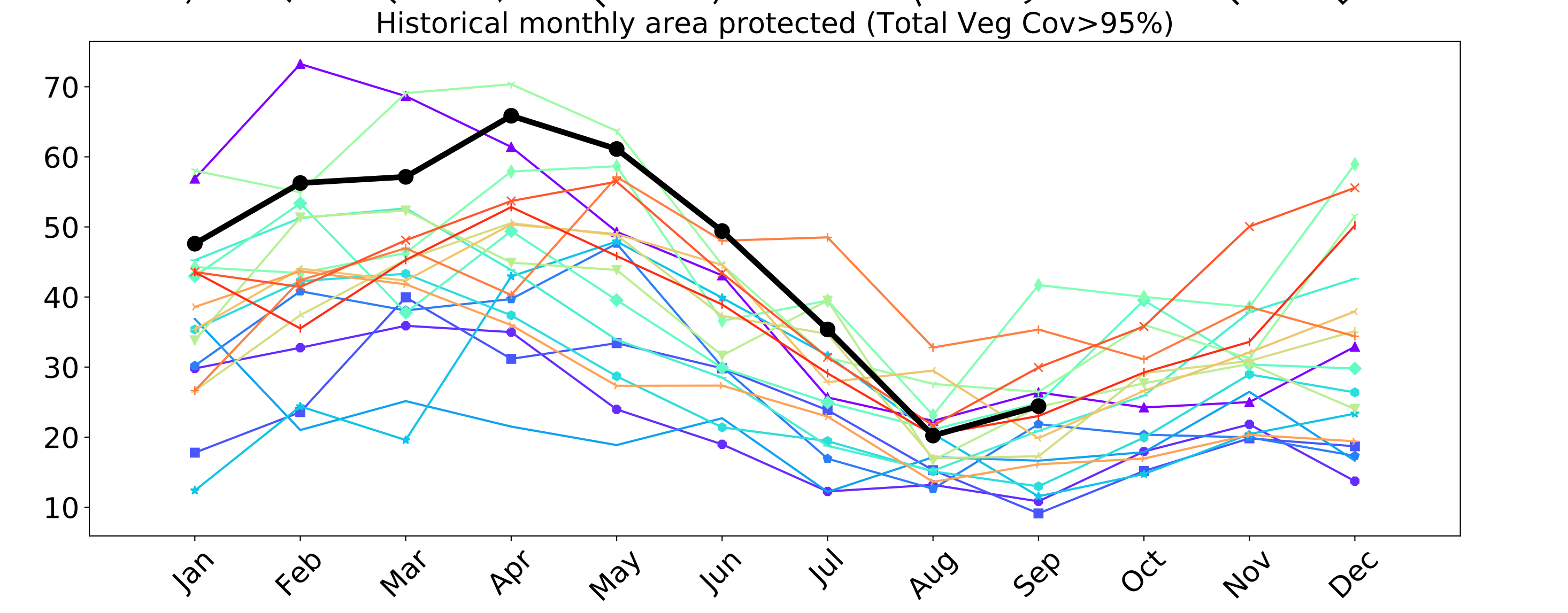
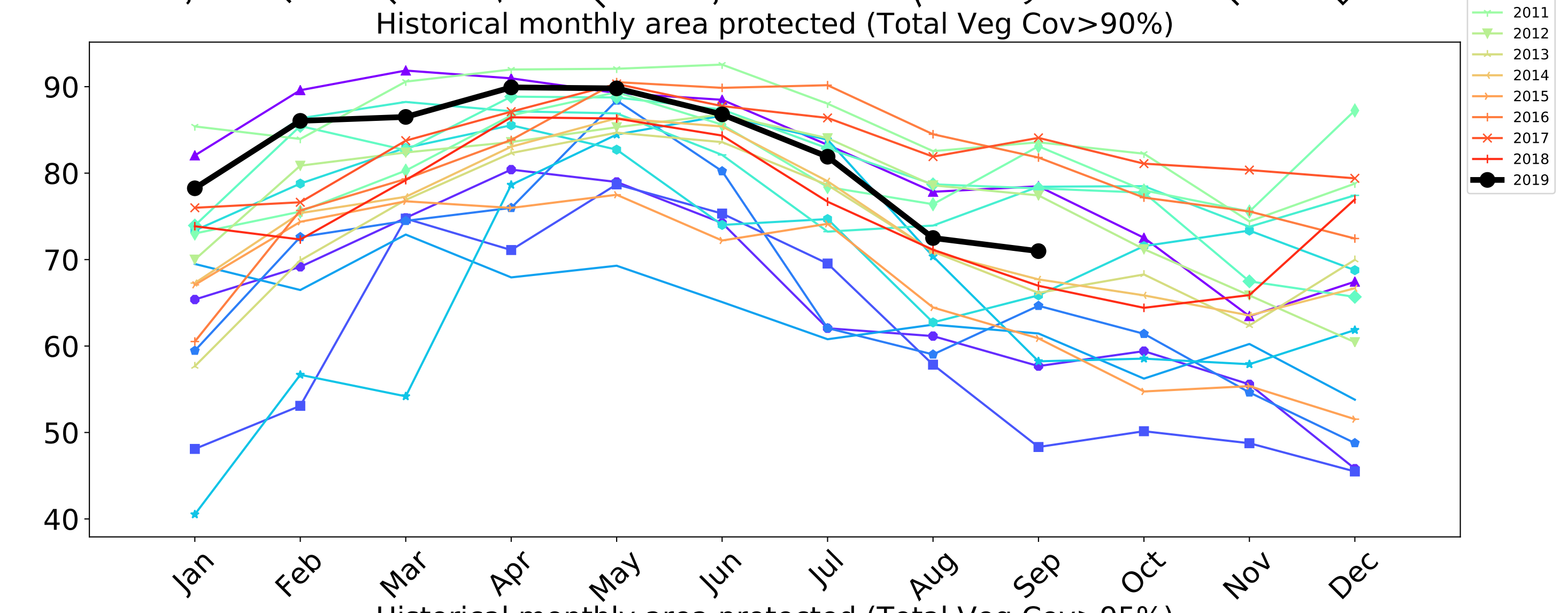
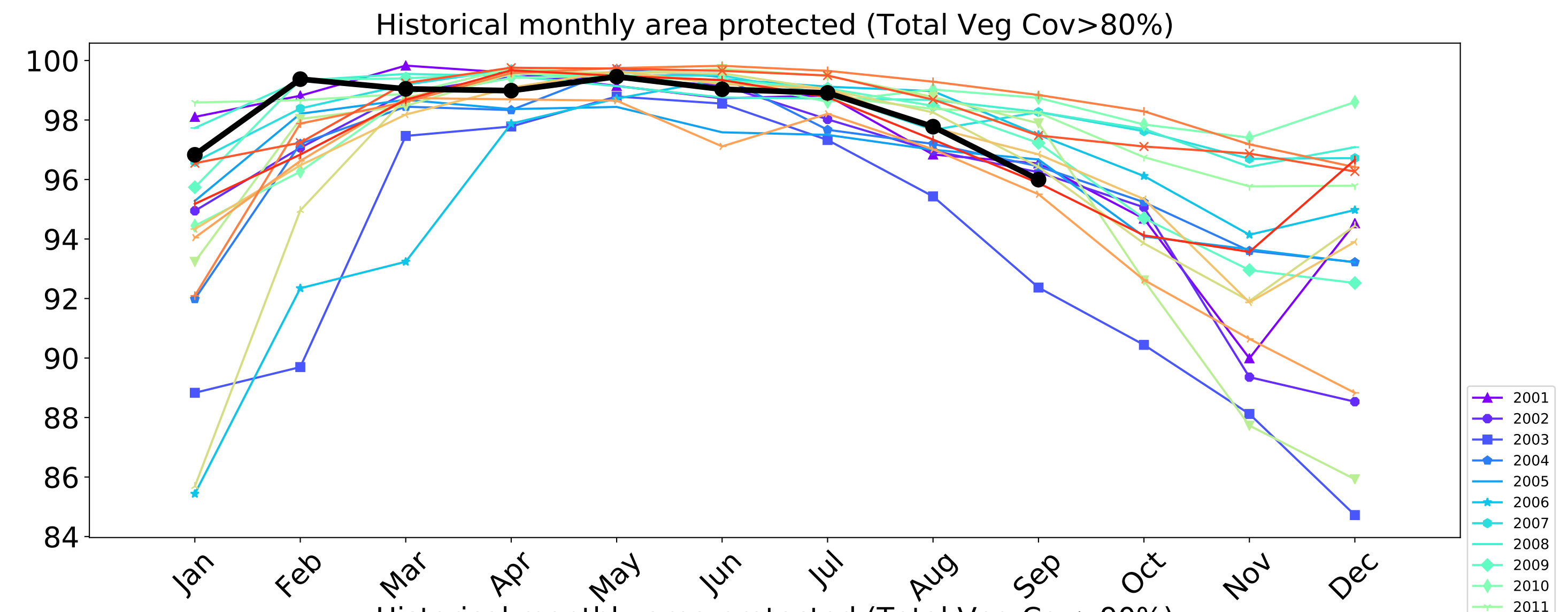
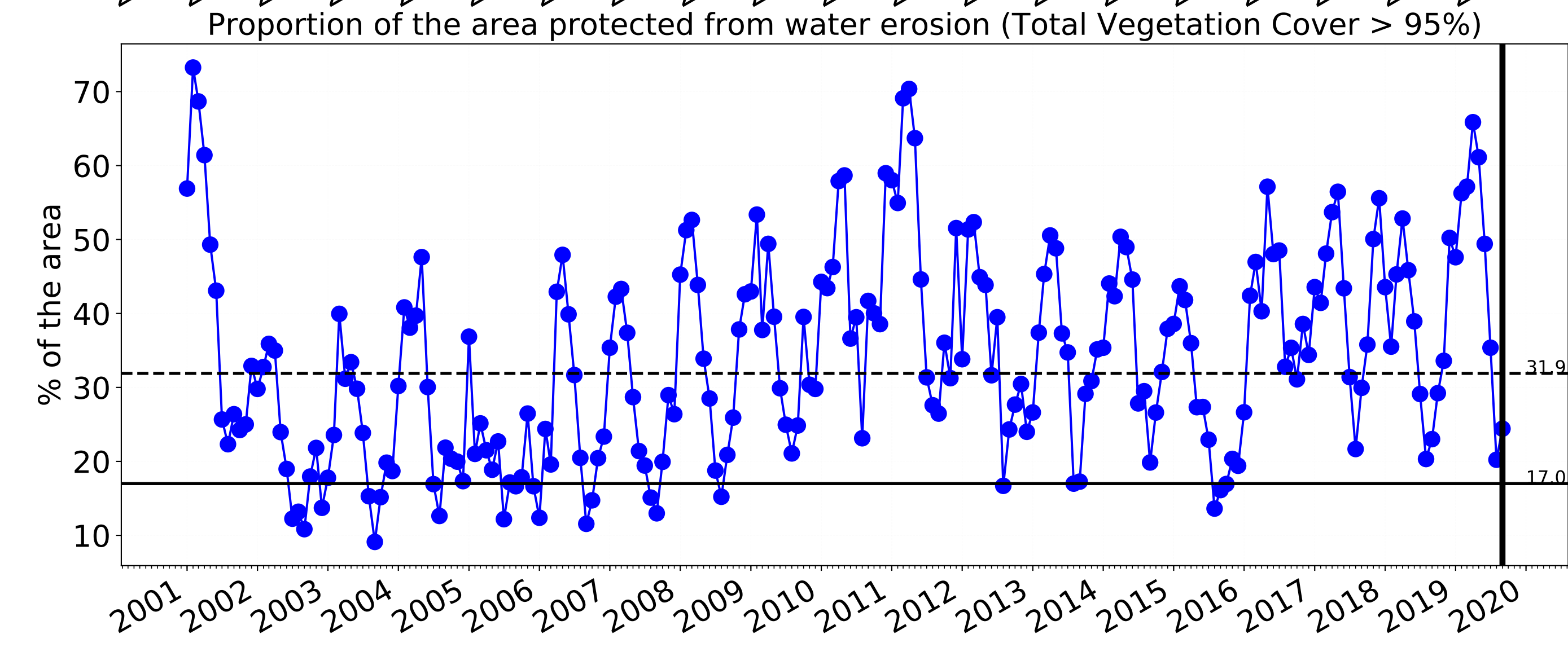
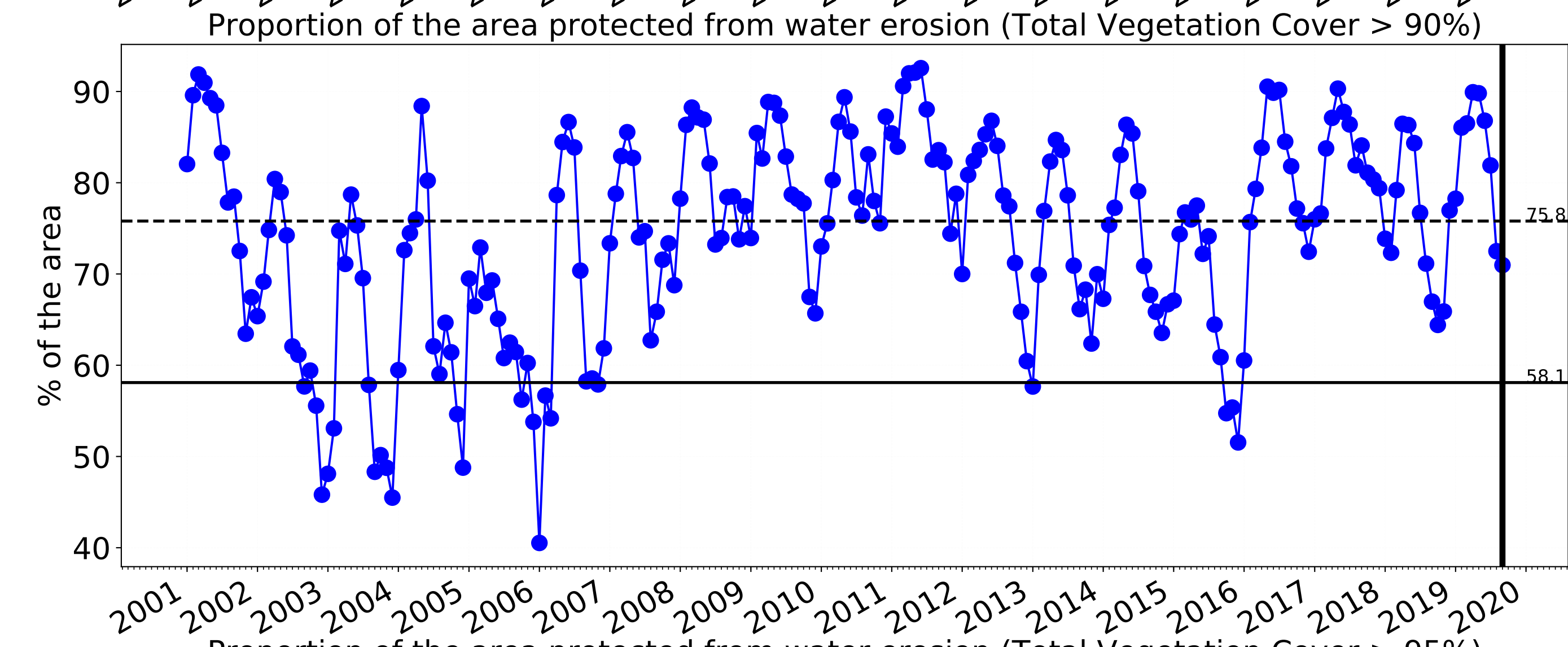
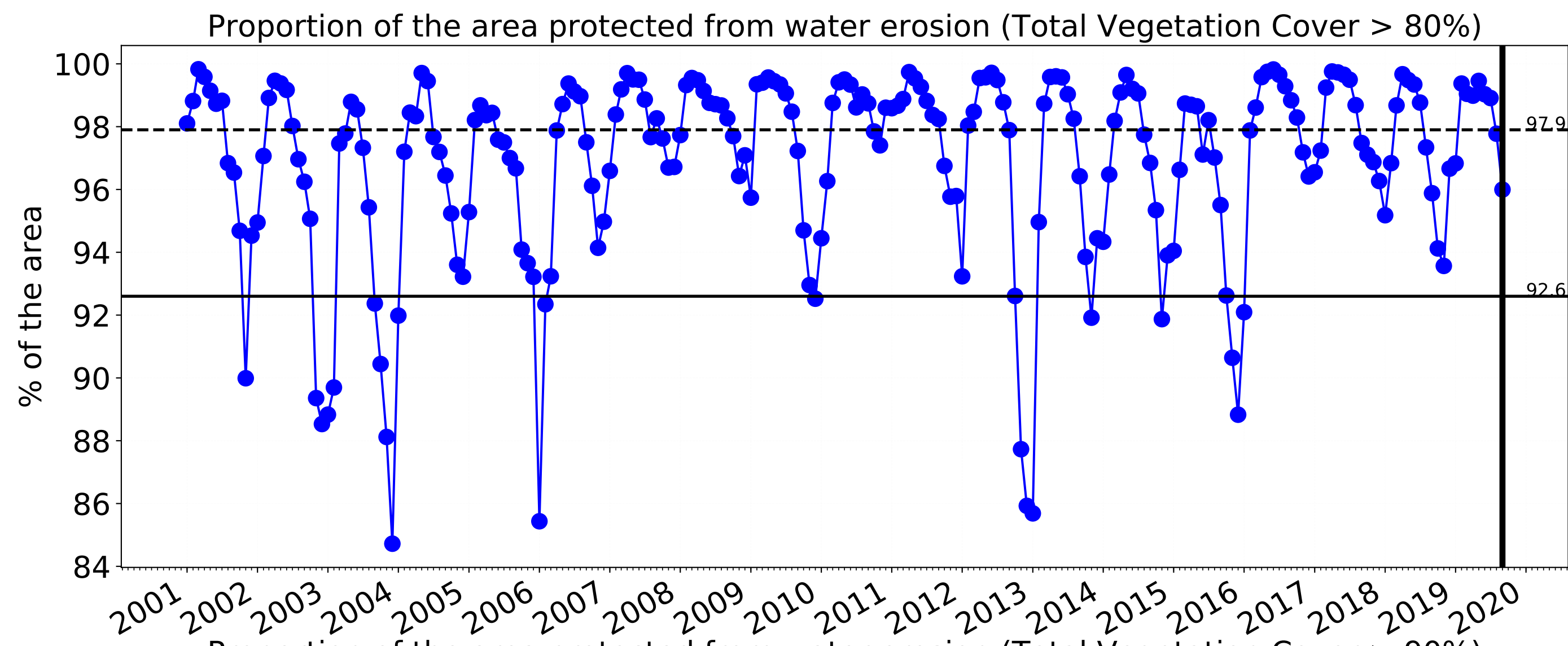
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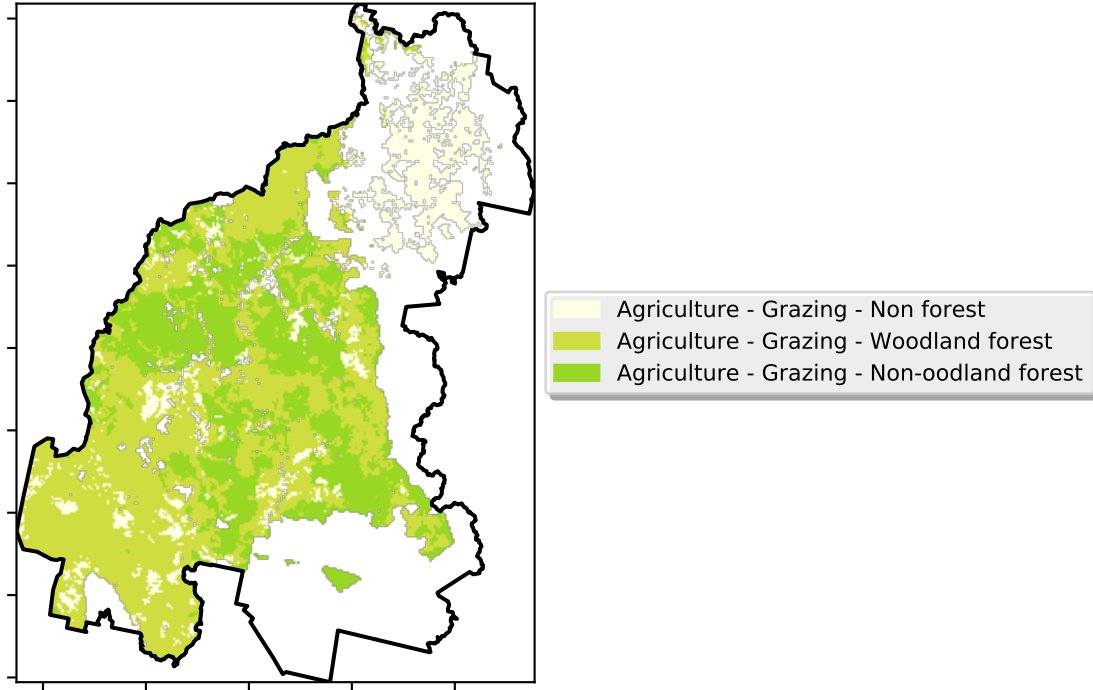




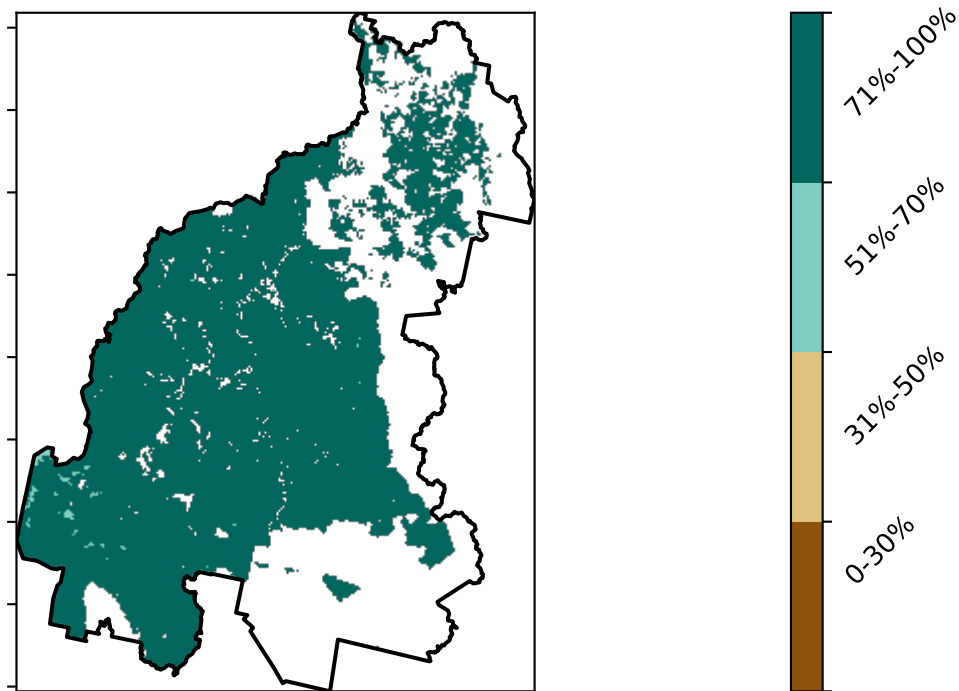
Grazing

Land use and forest cover

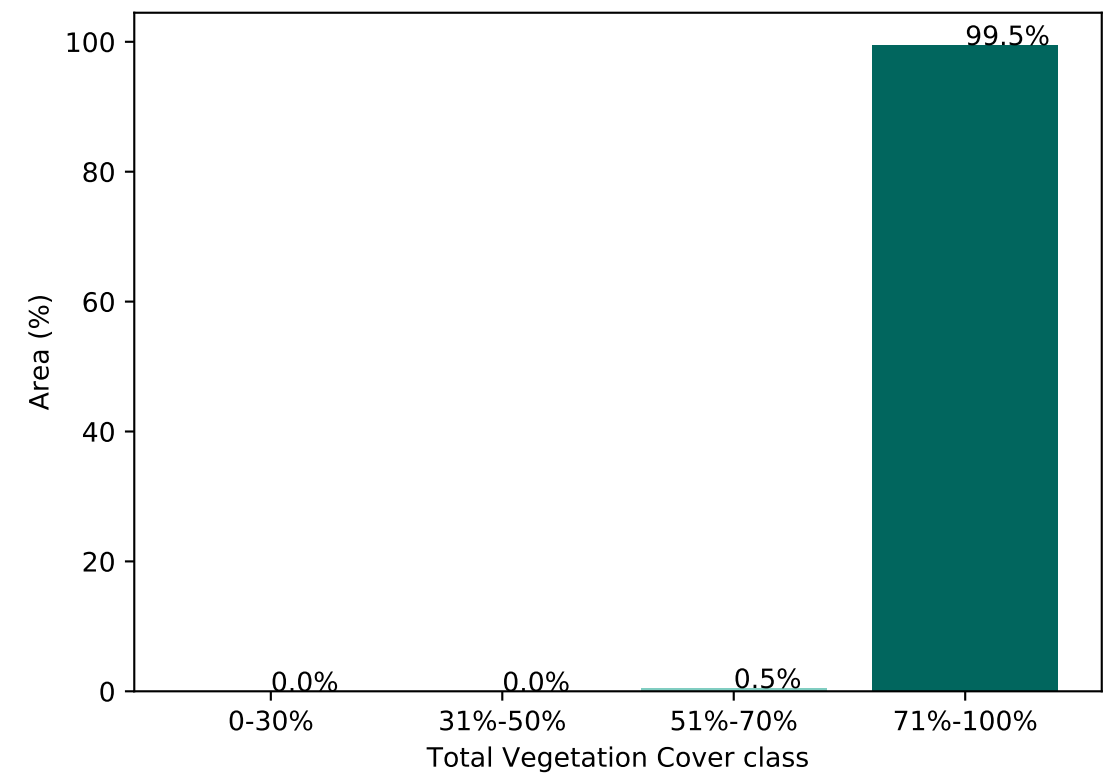
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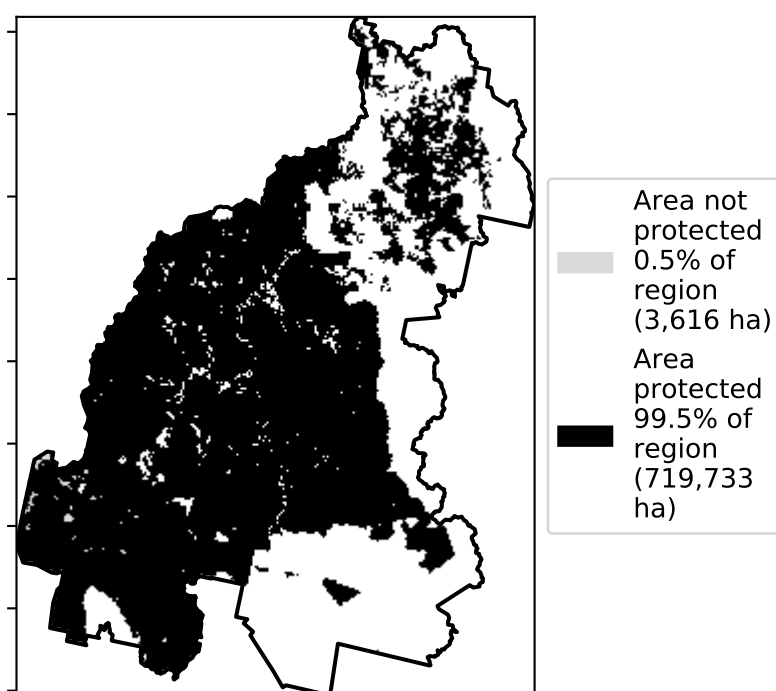
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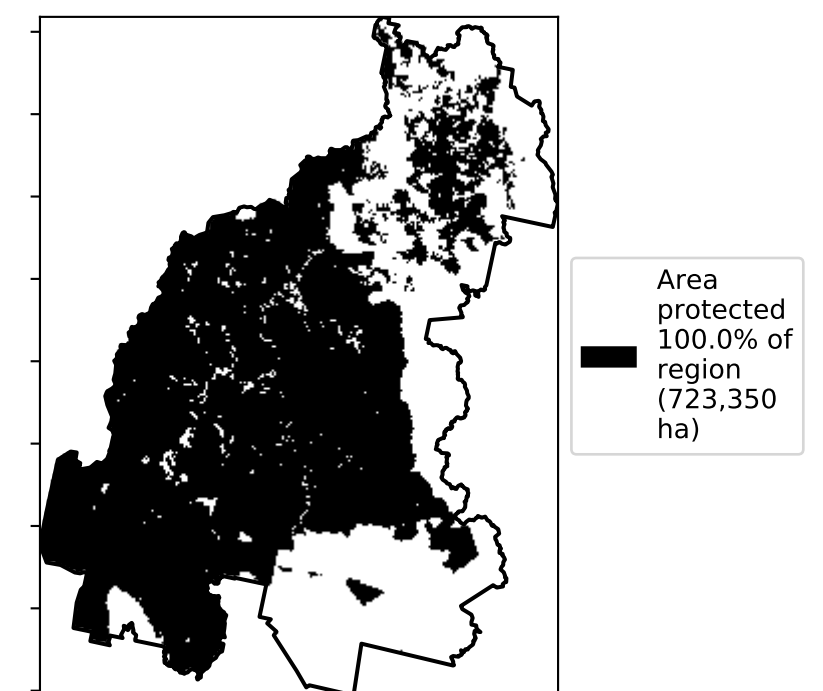
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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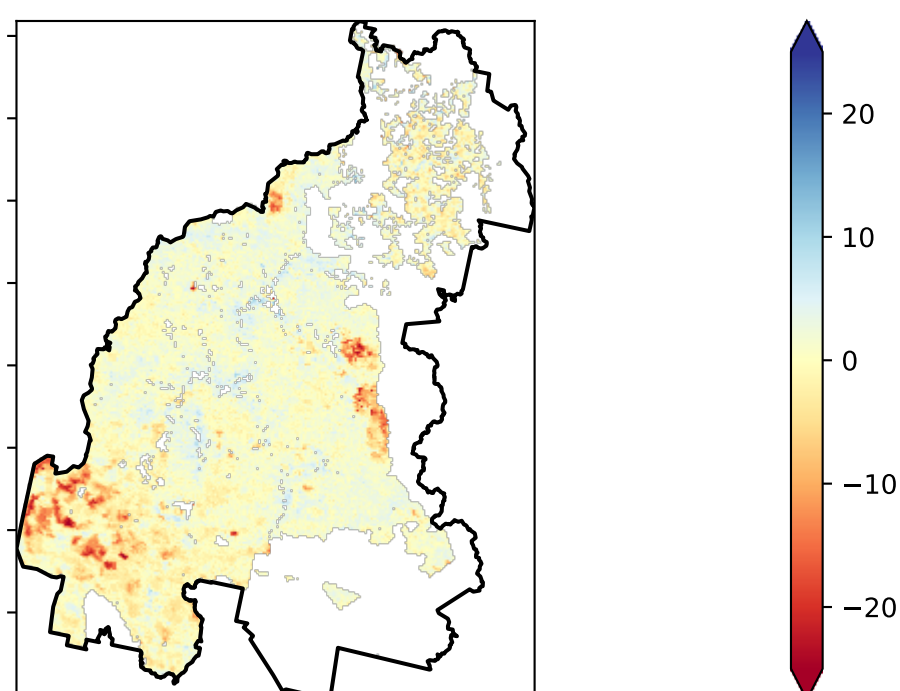


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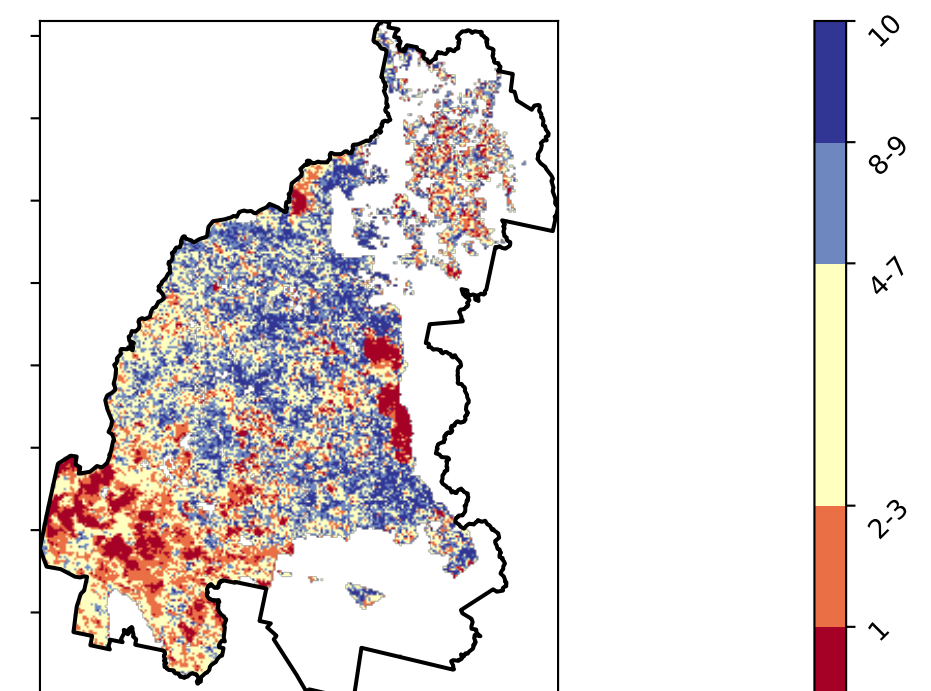
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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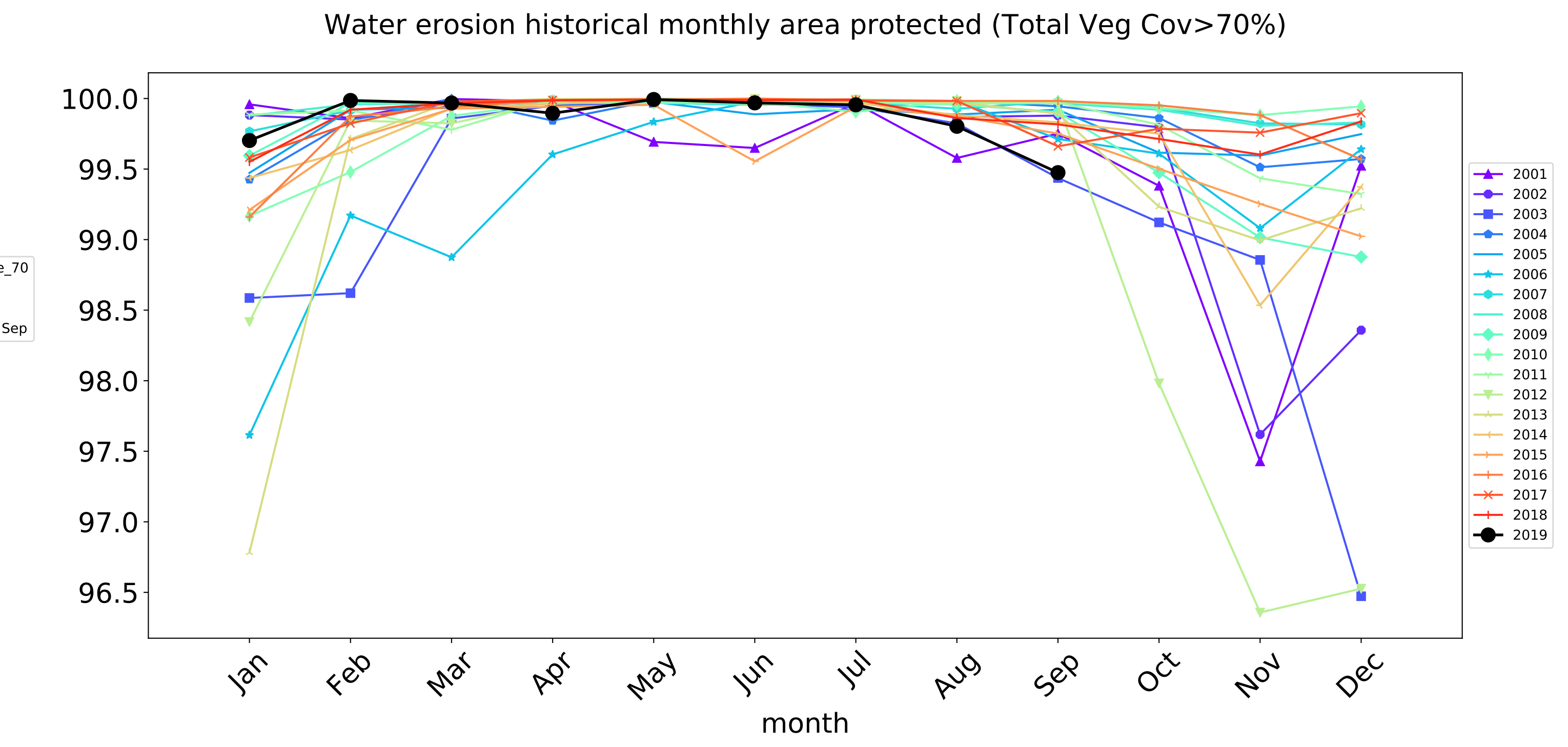
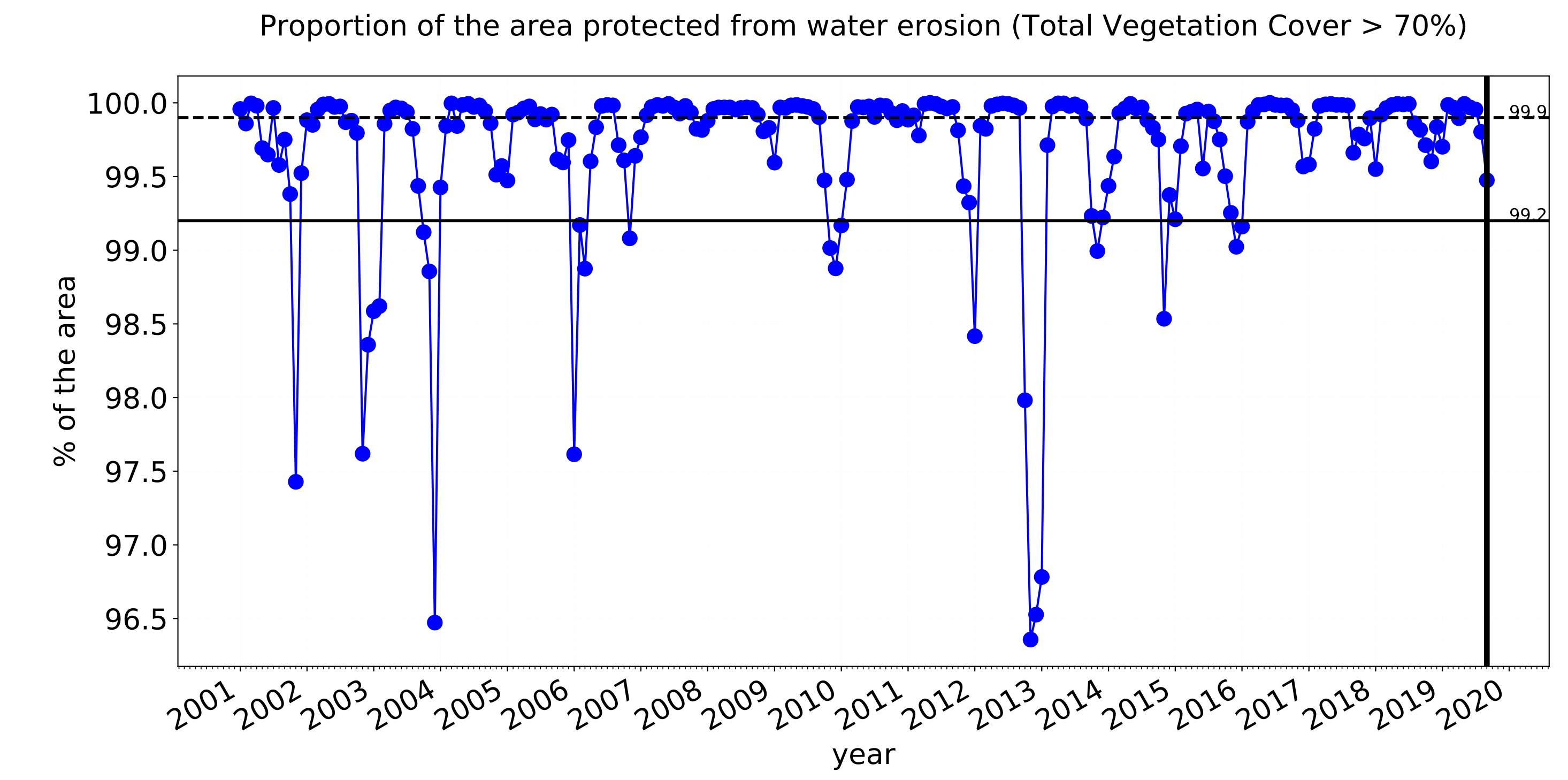
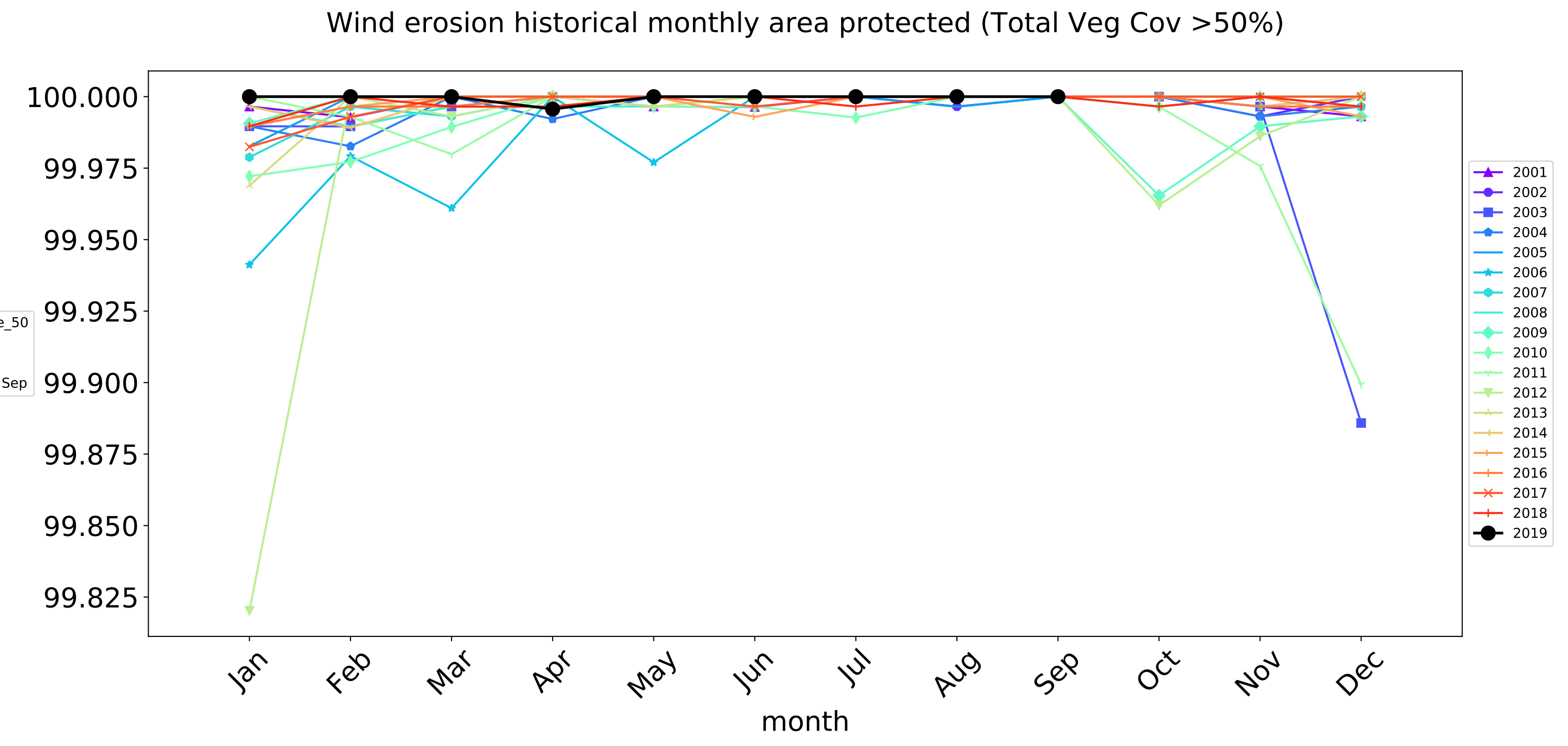
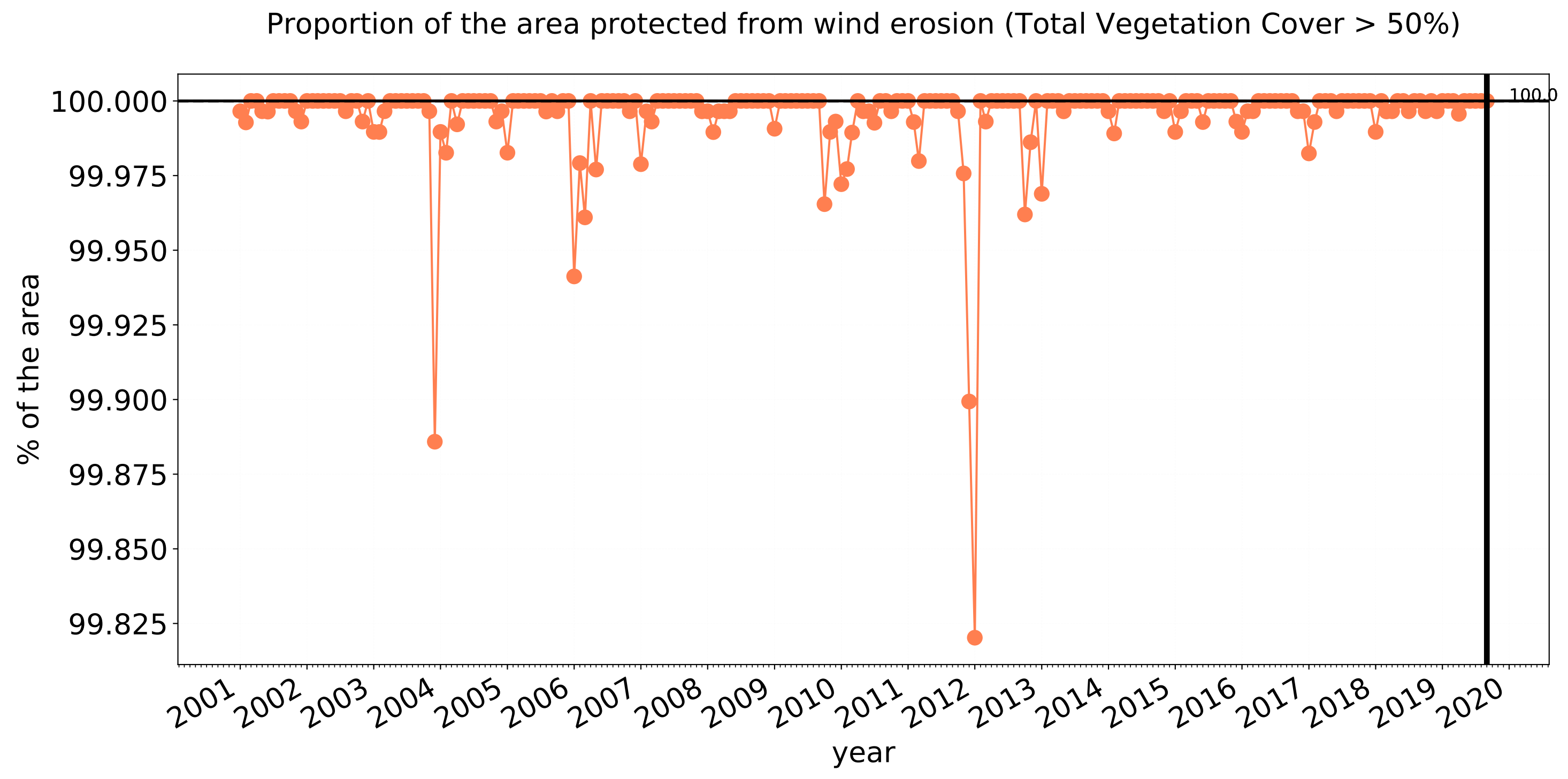


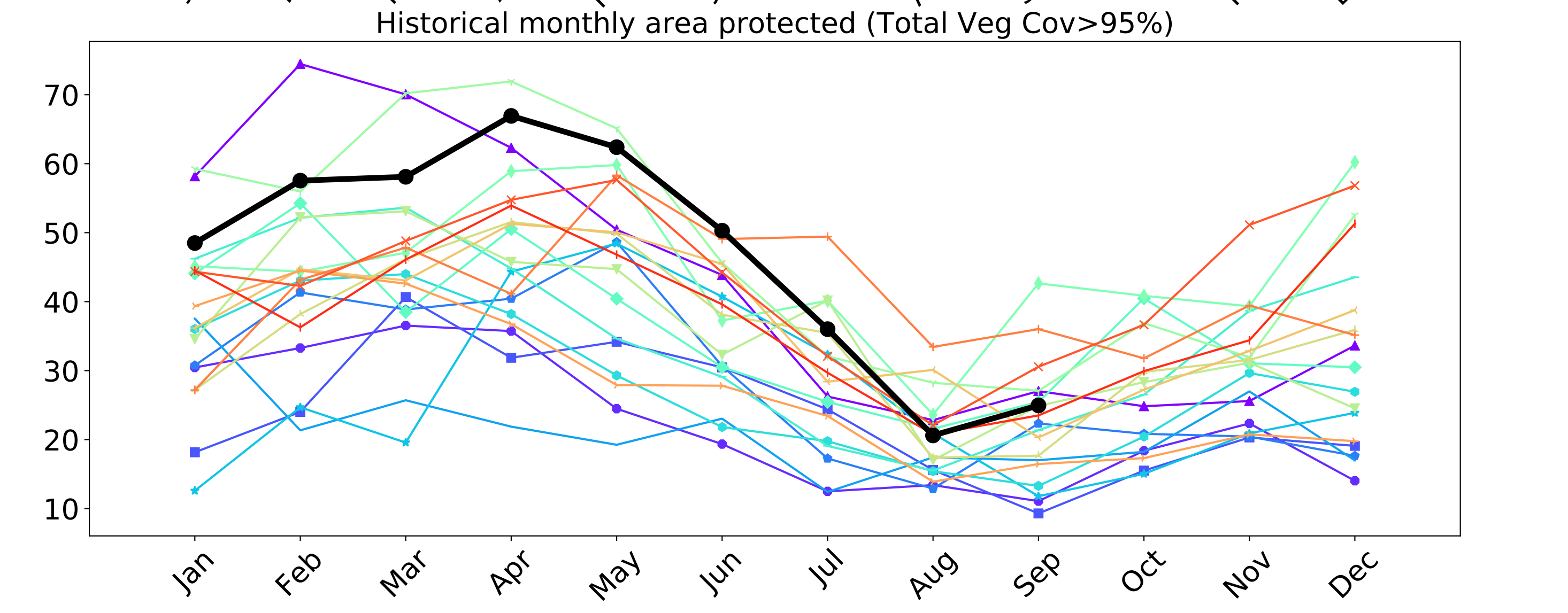
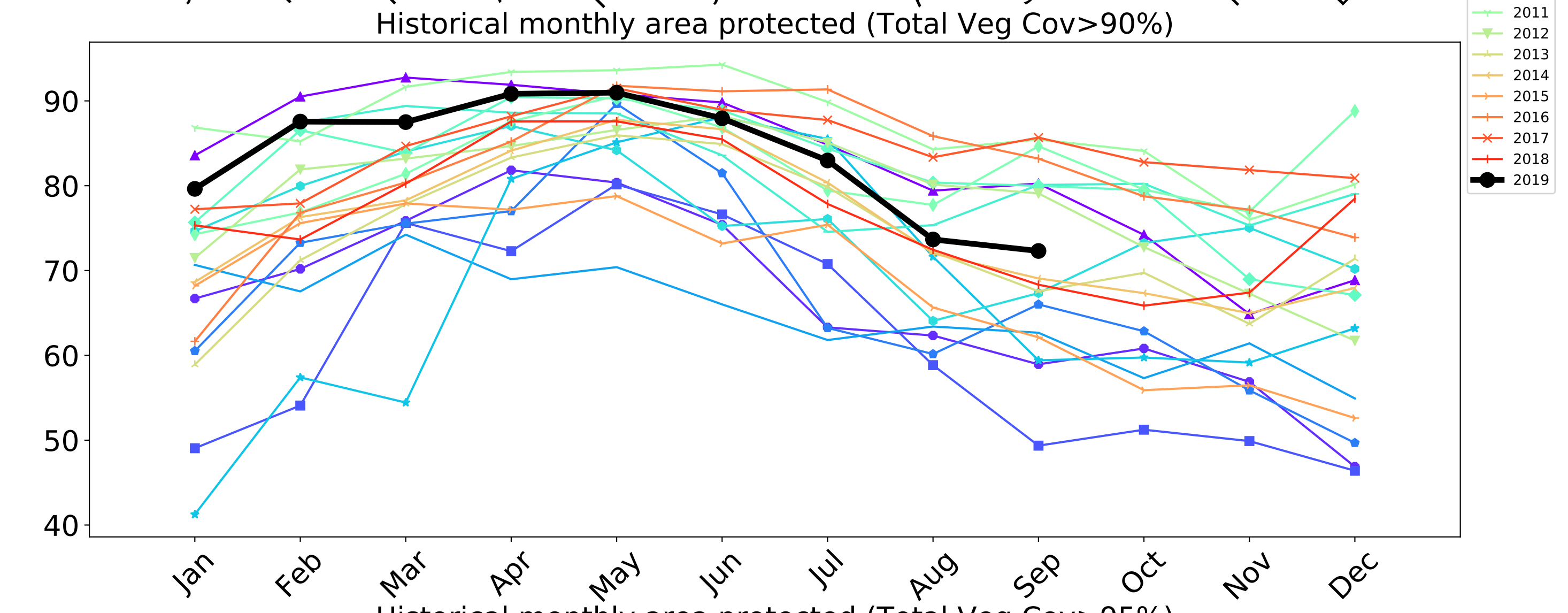
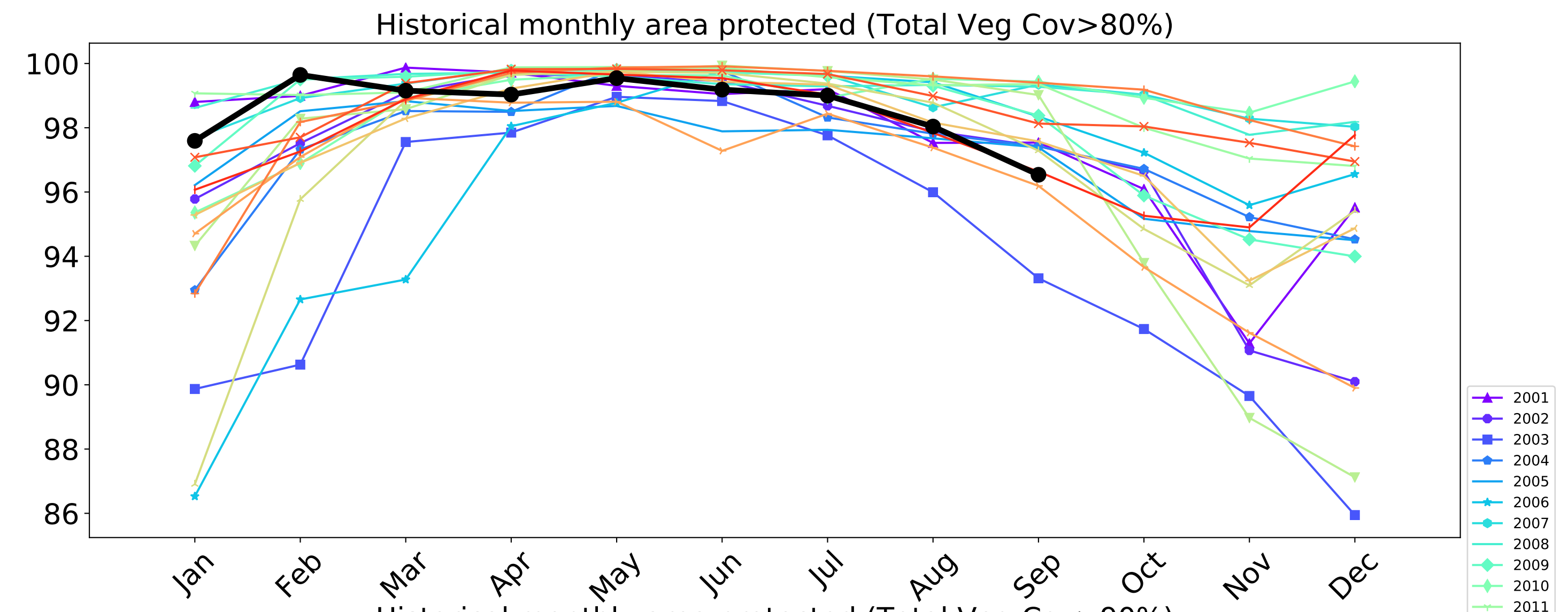
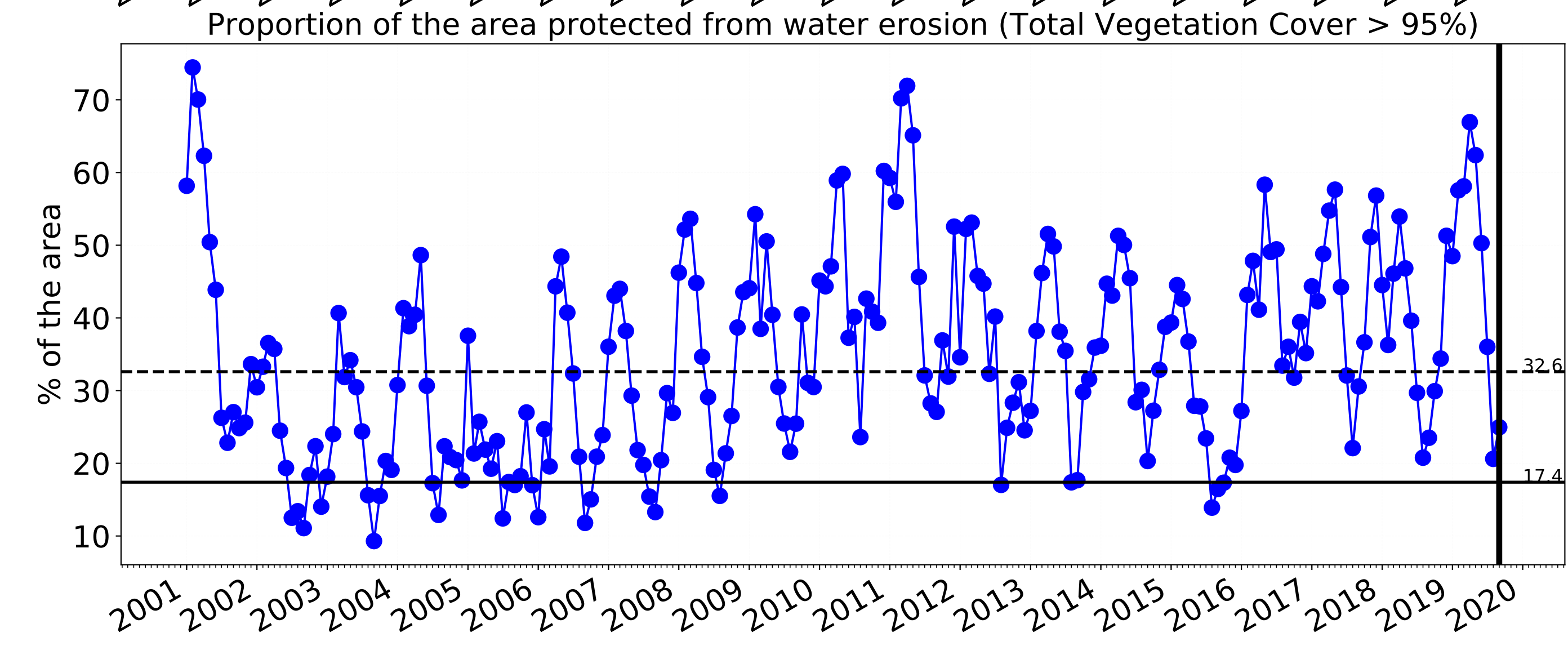
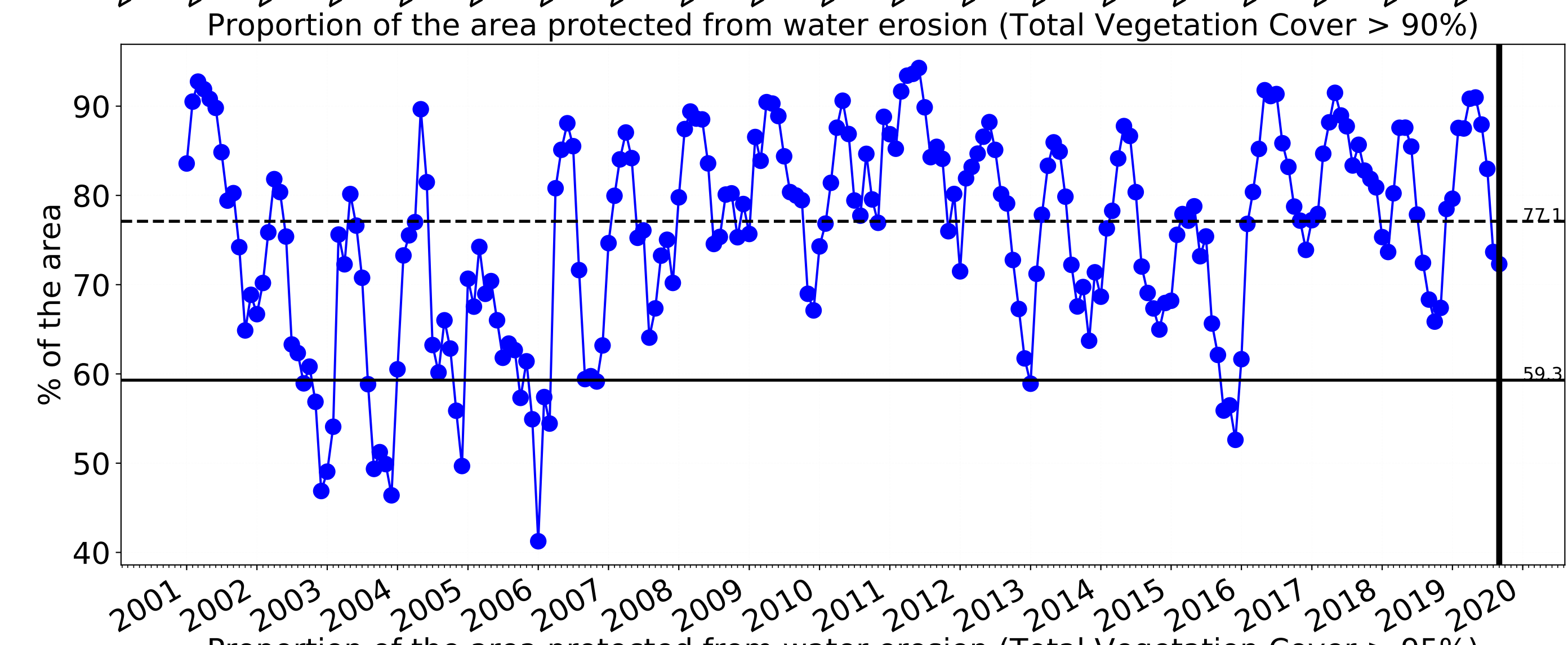
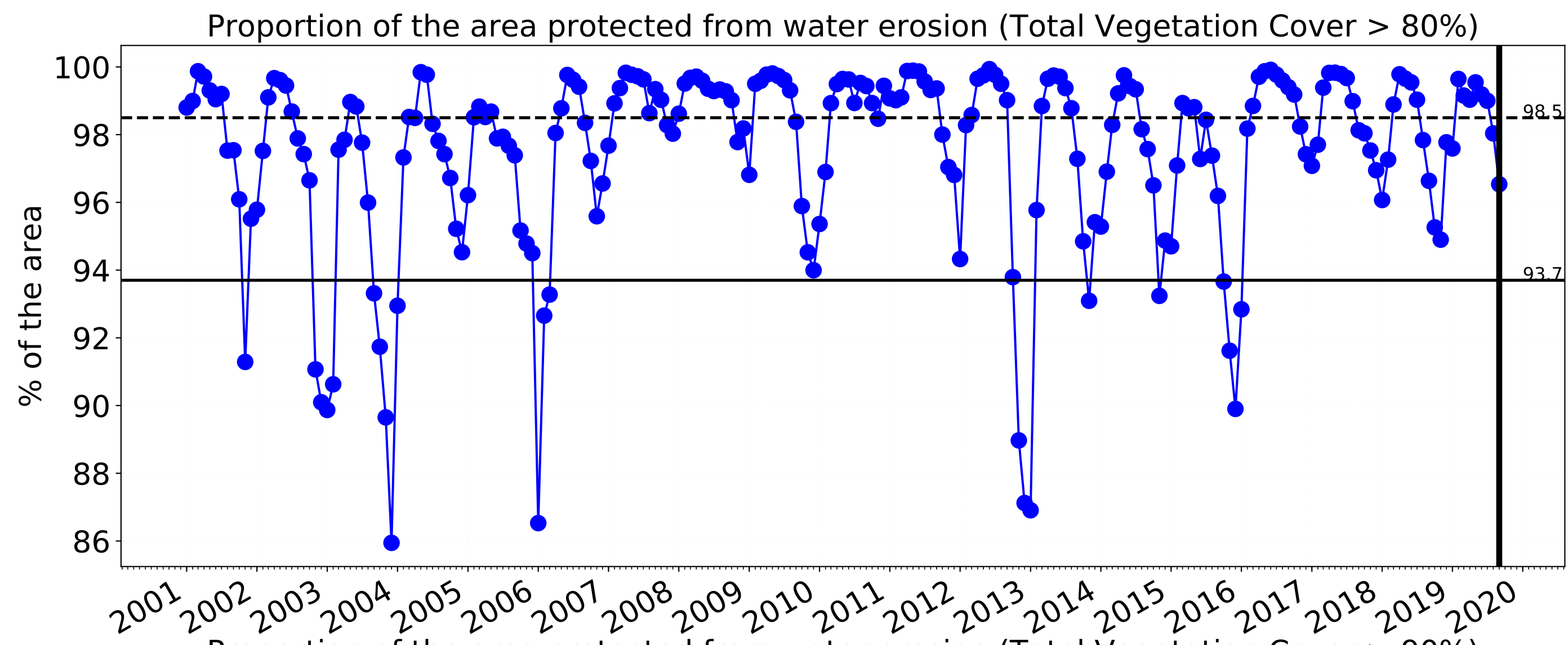
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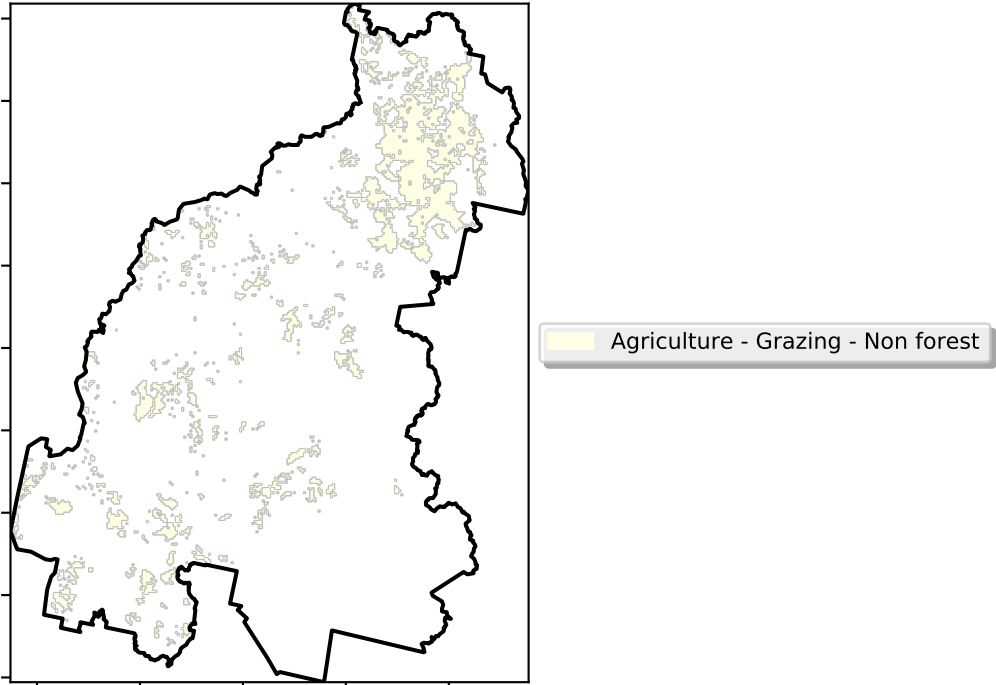




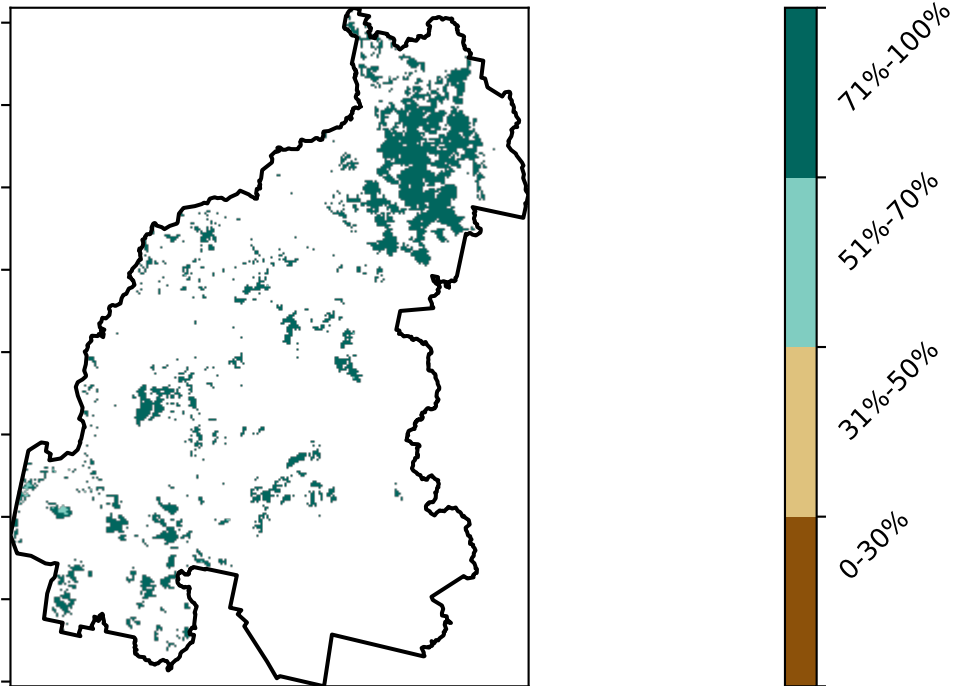
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Land use and forest cover

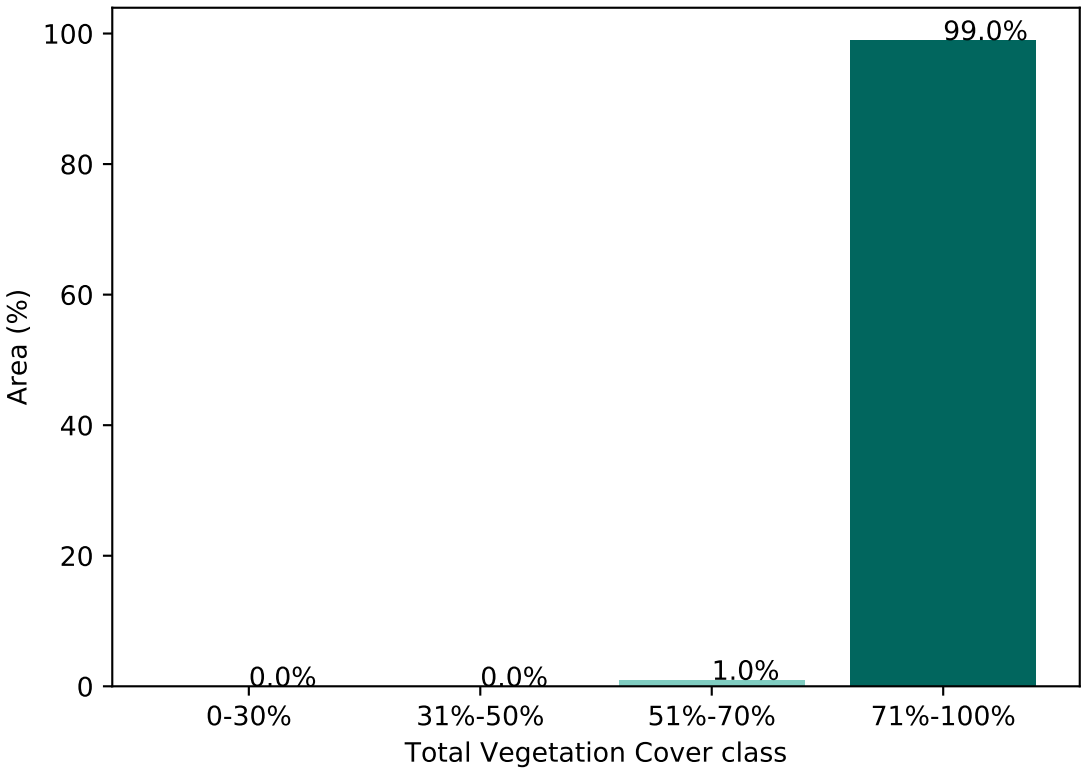
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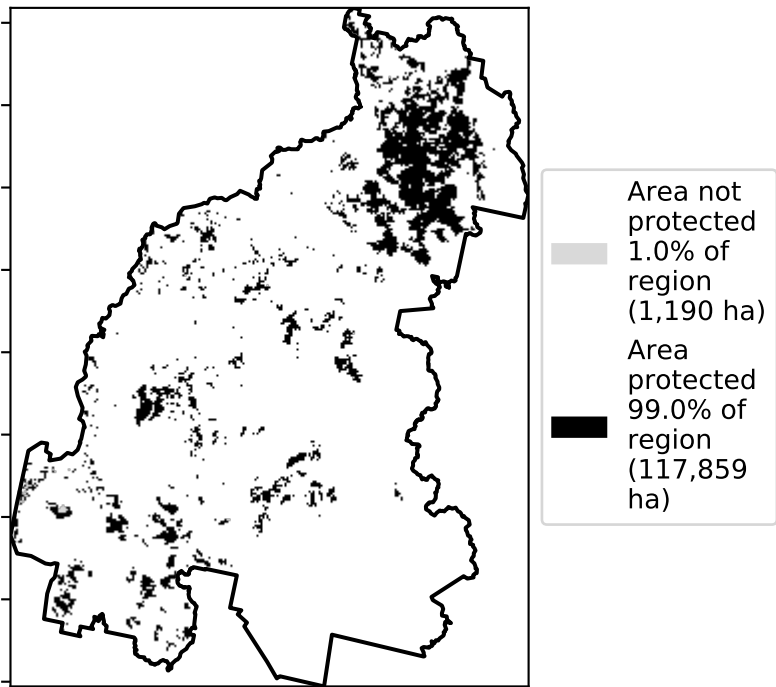
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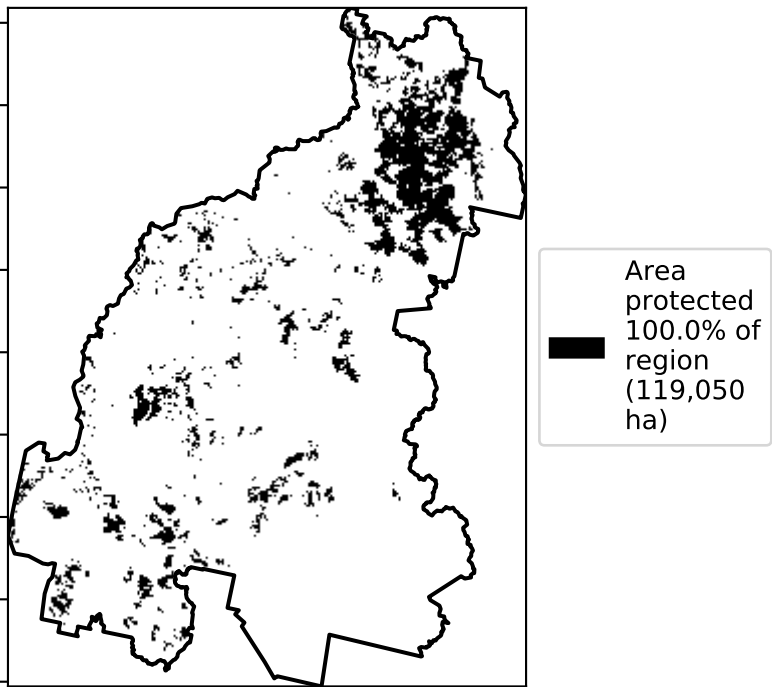
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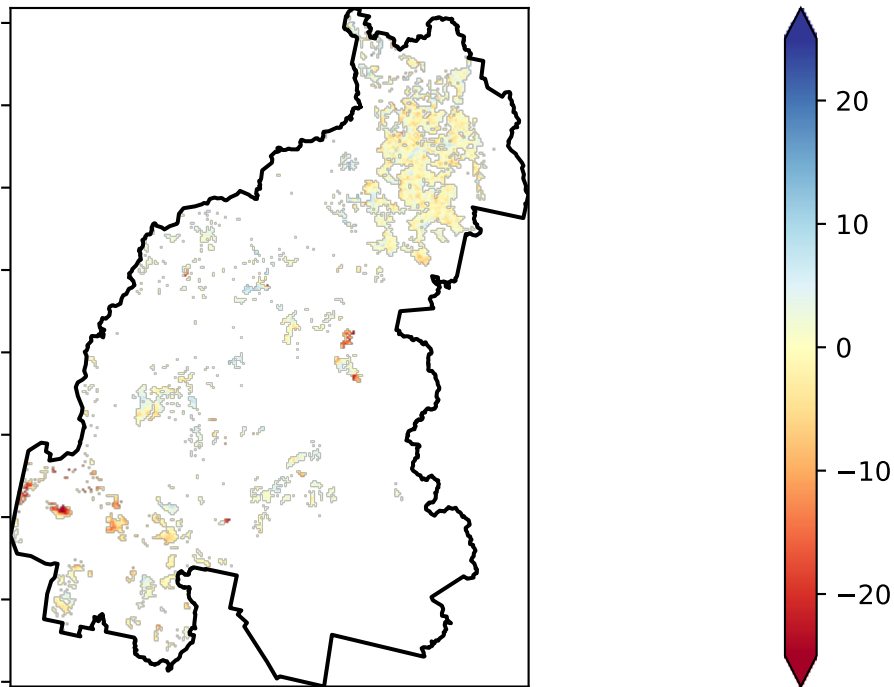


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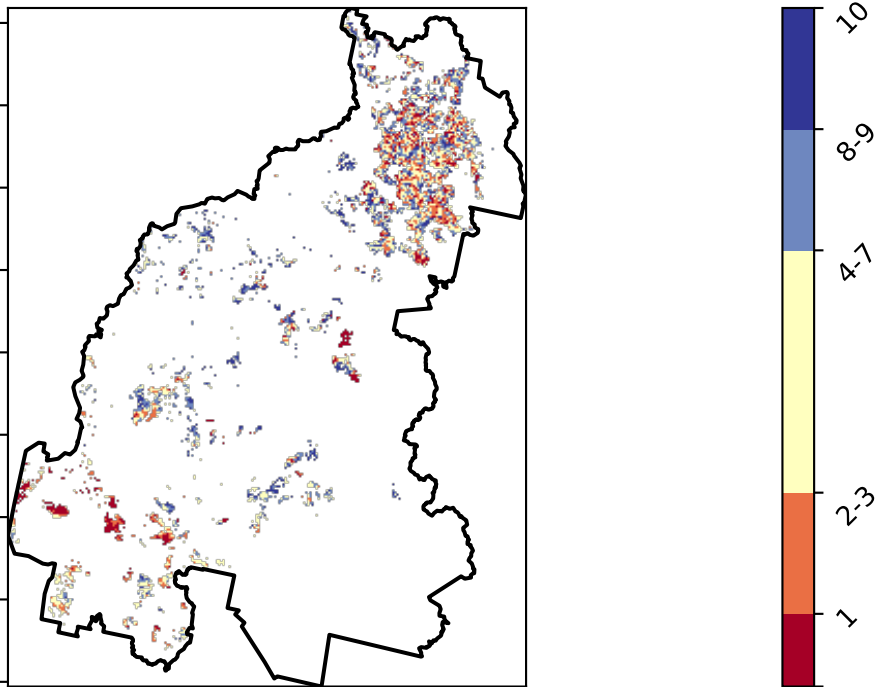
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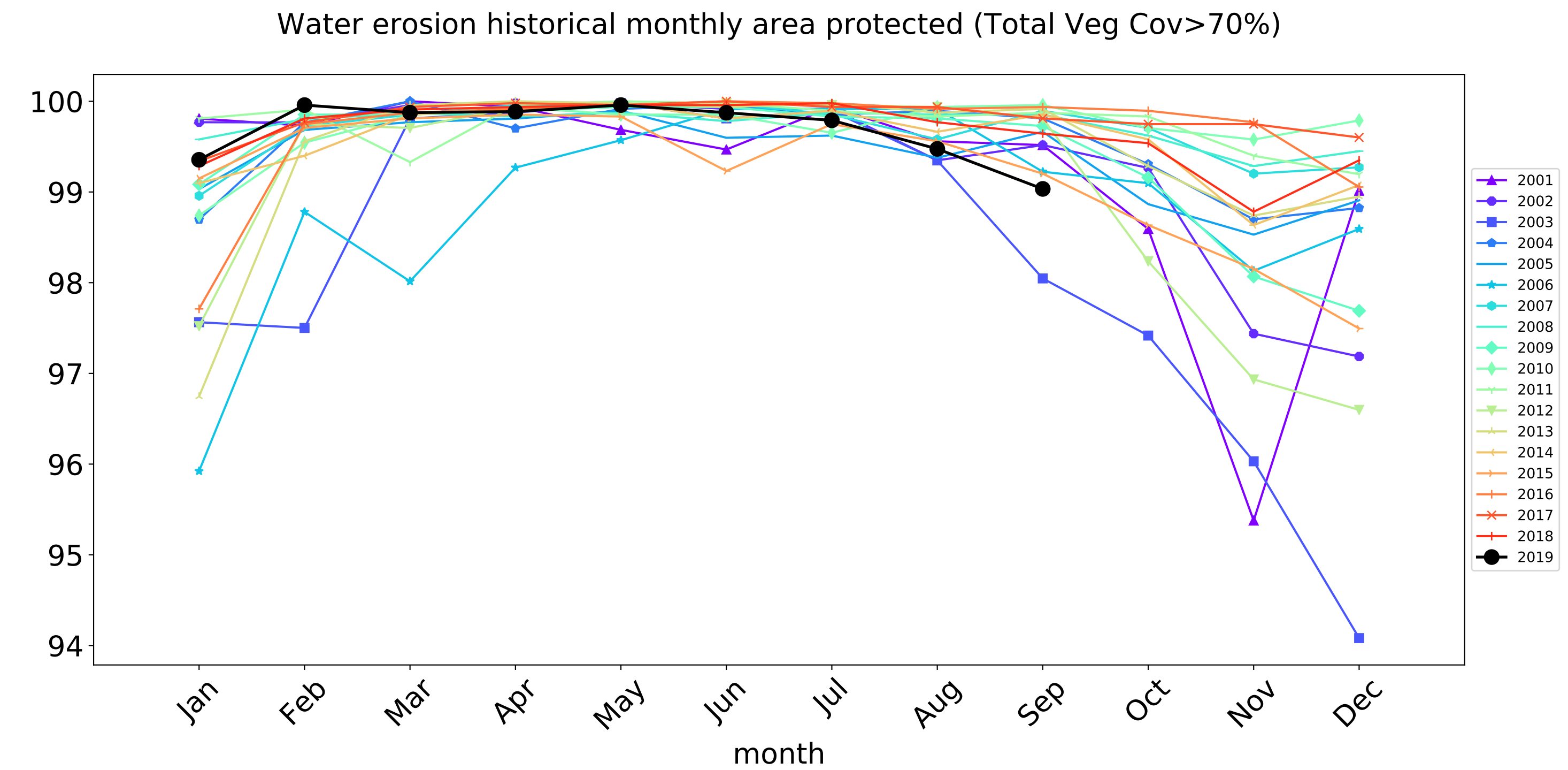
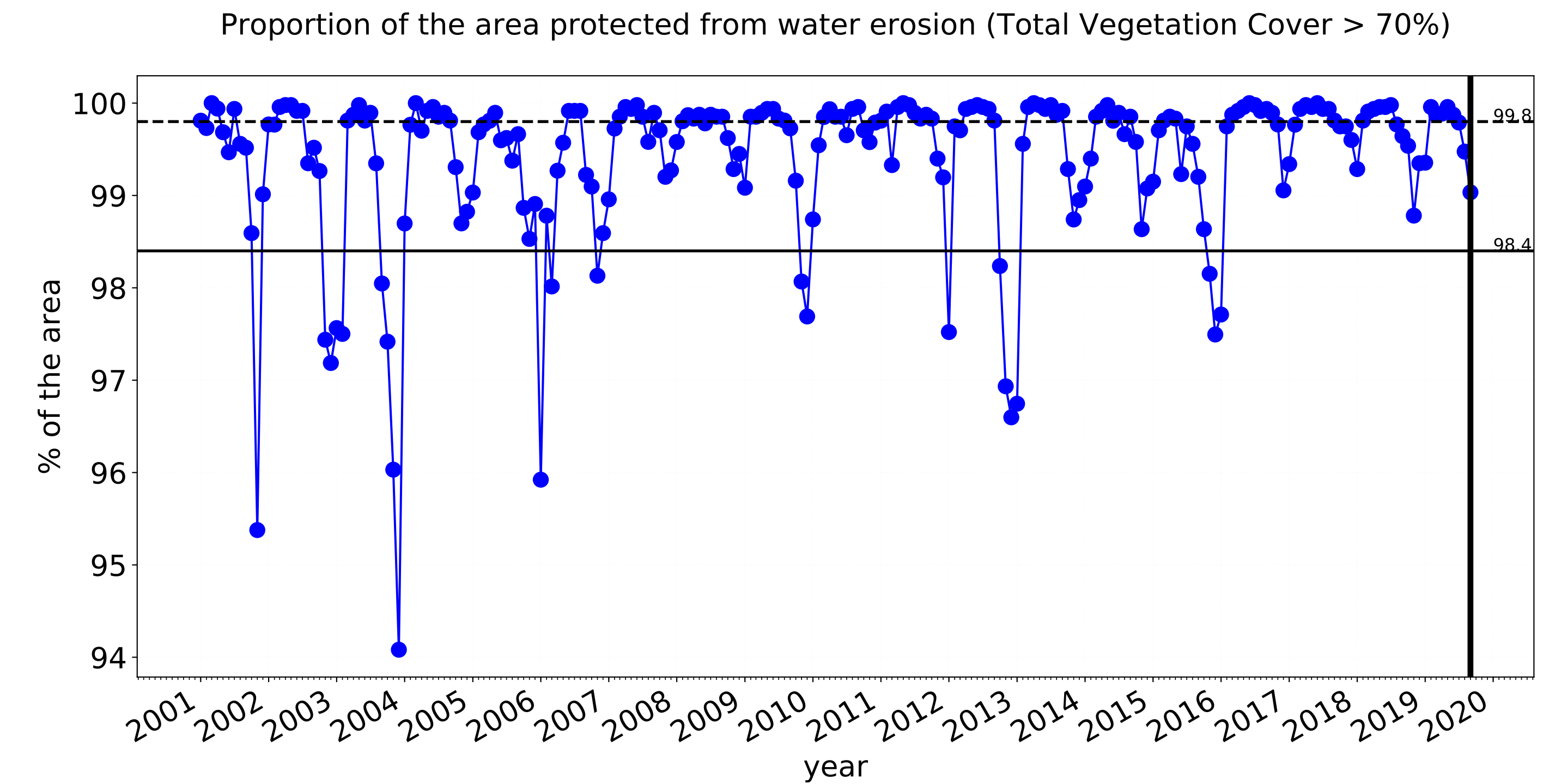
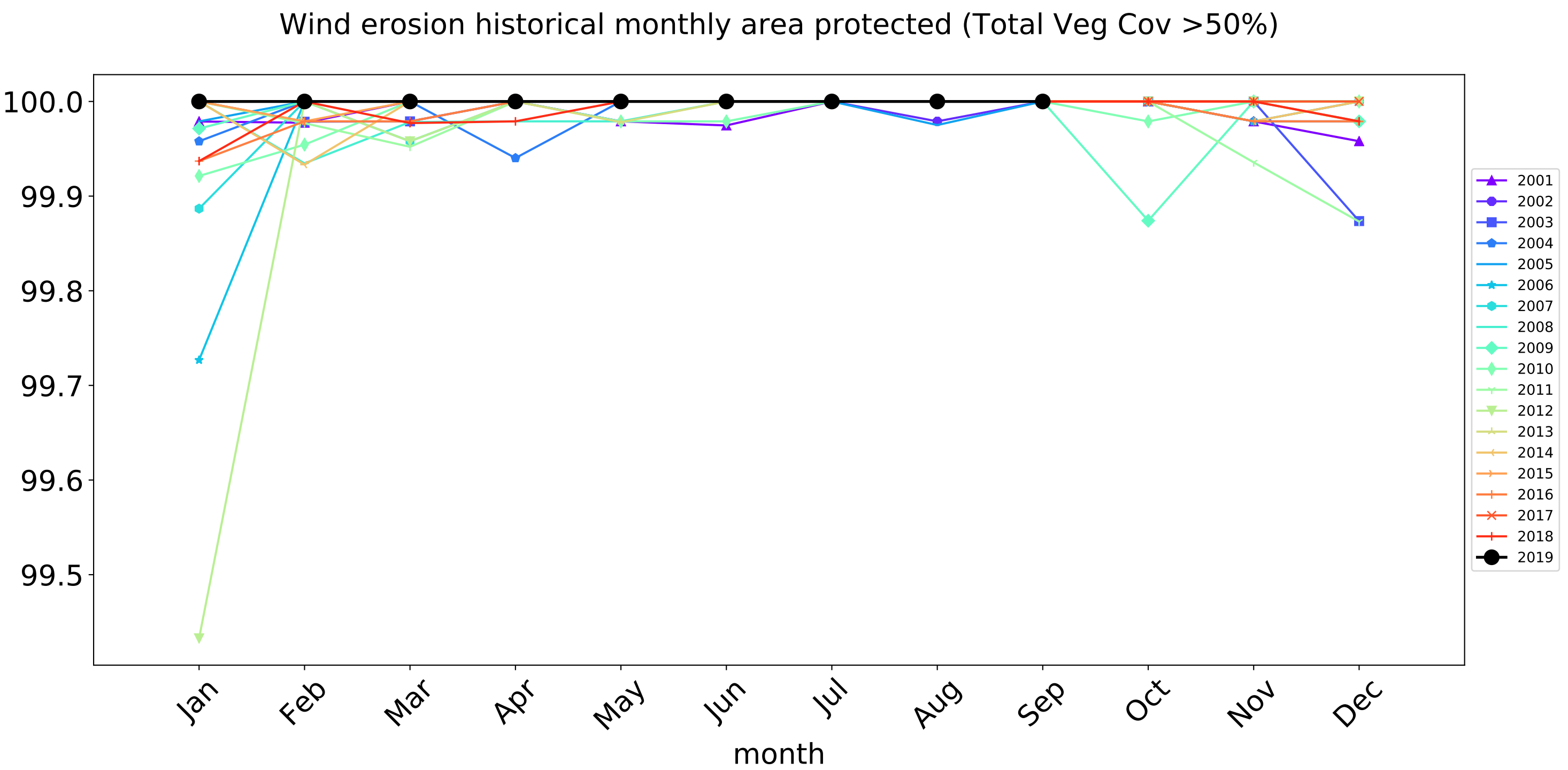
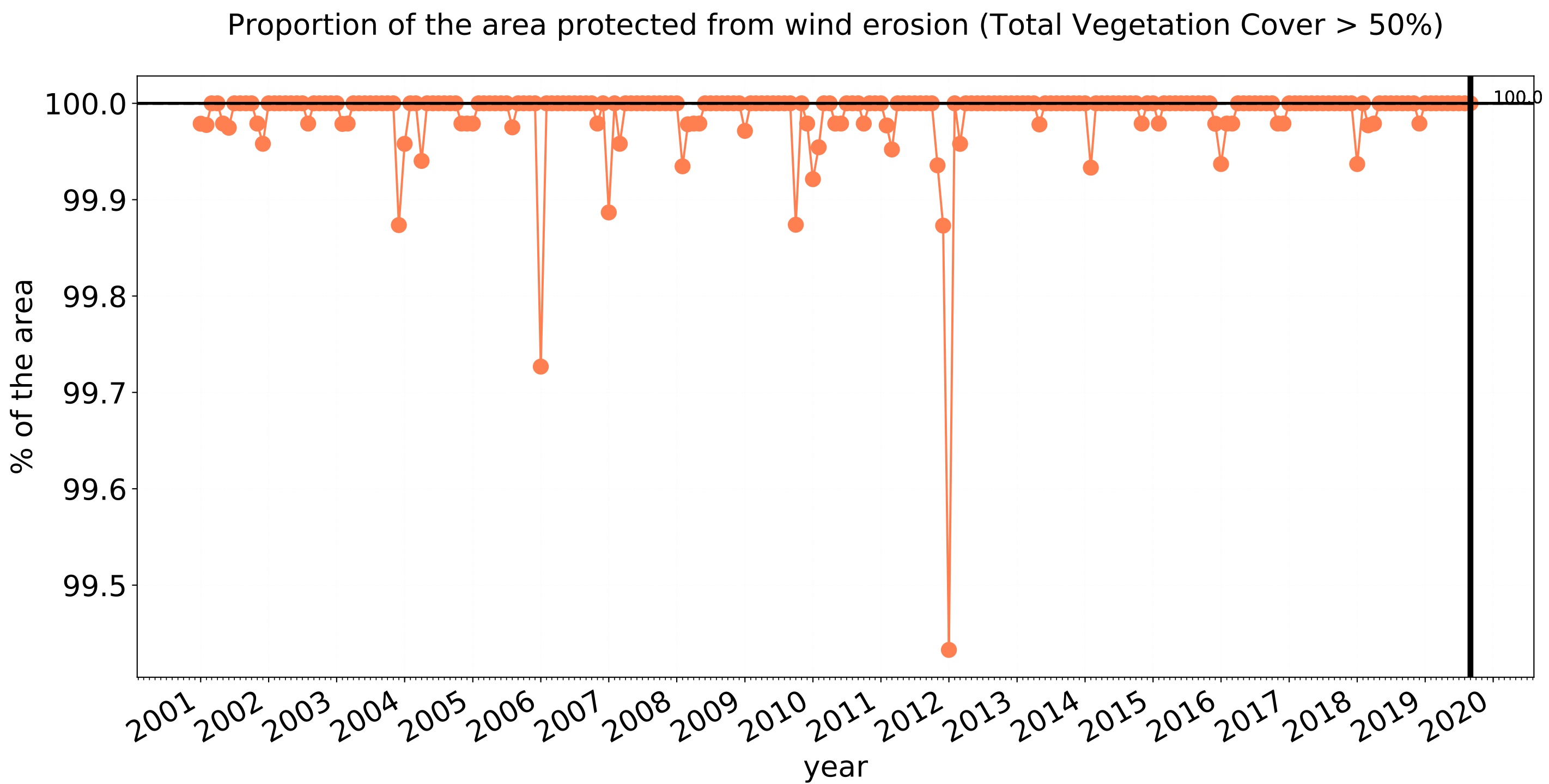


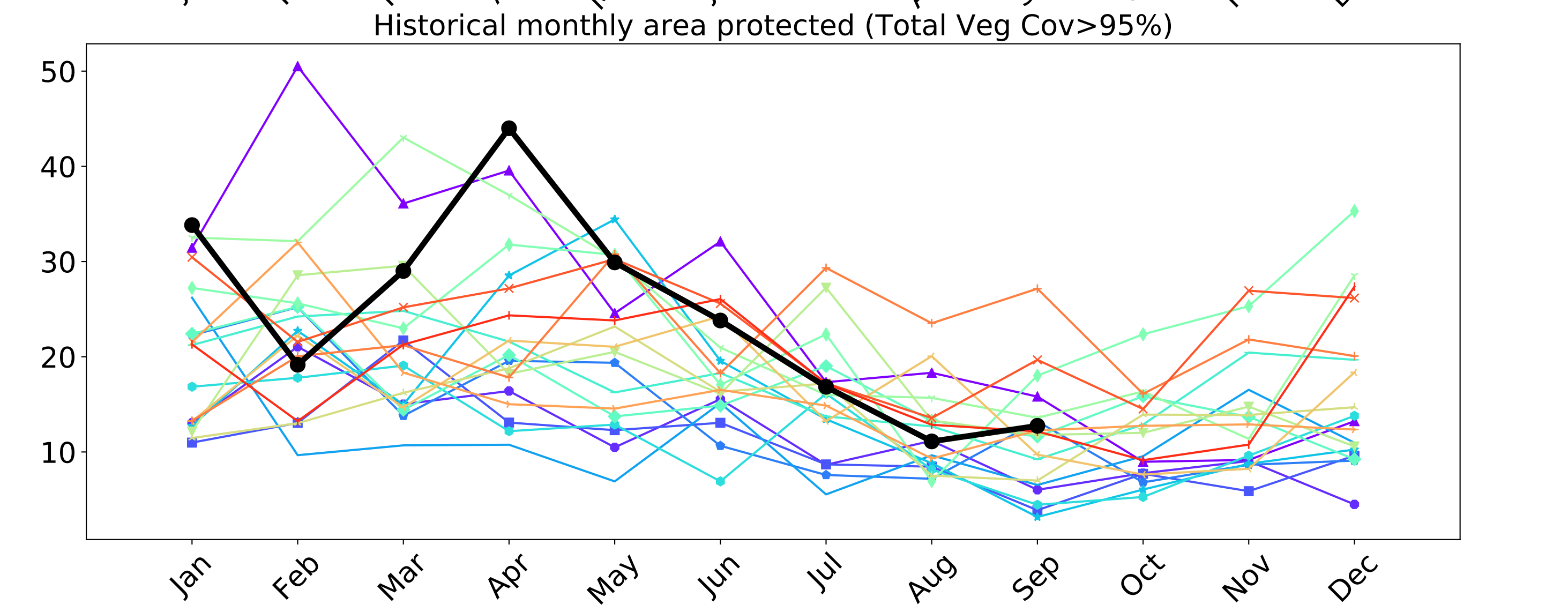
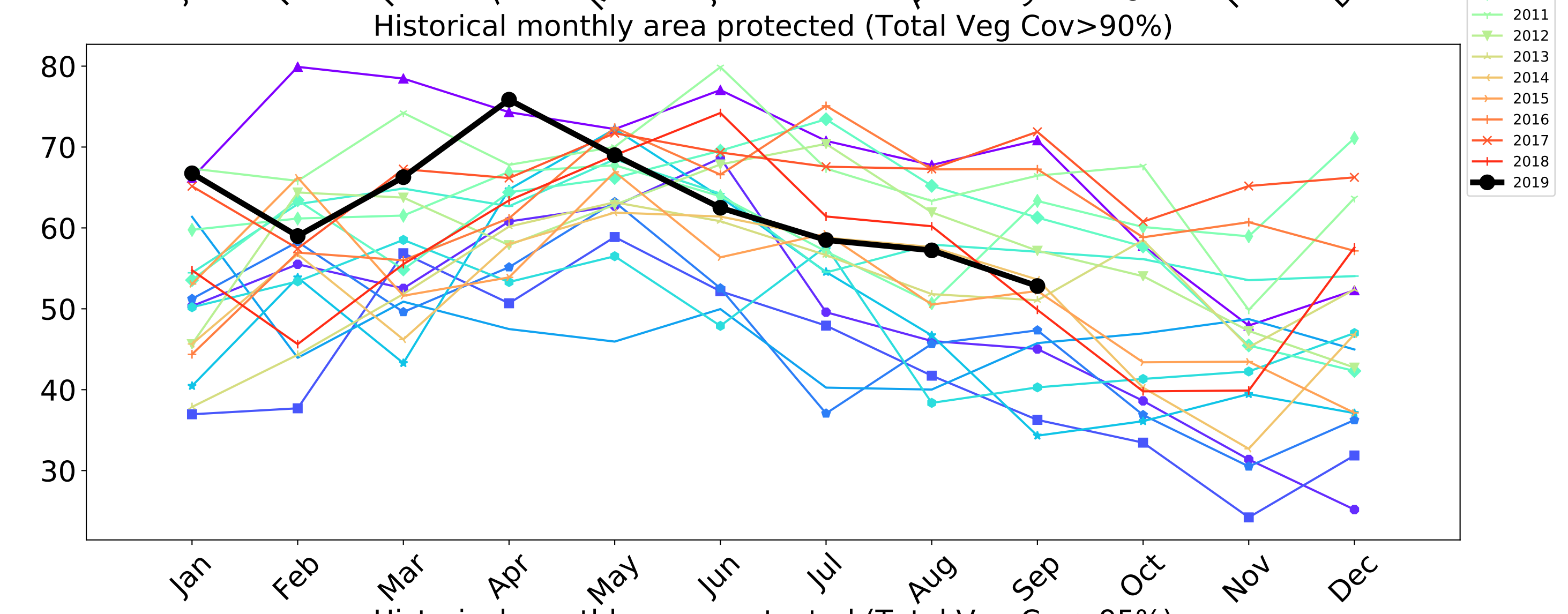
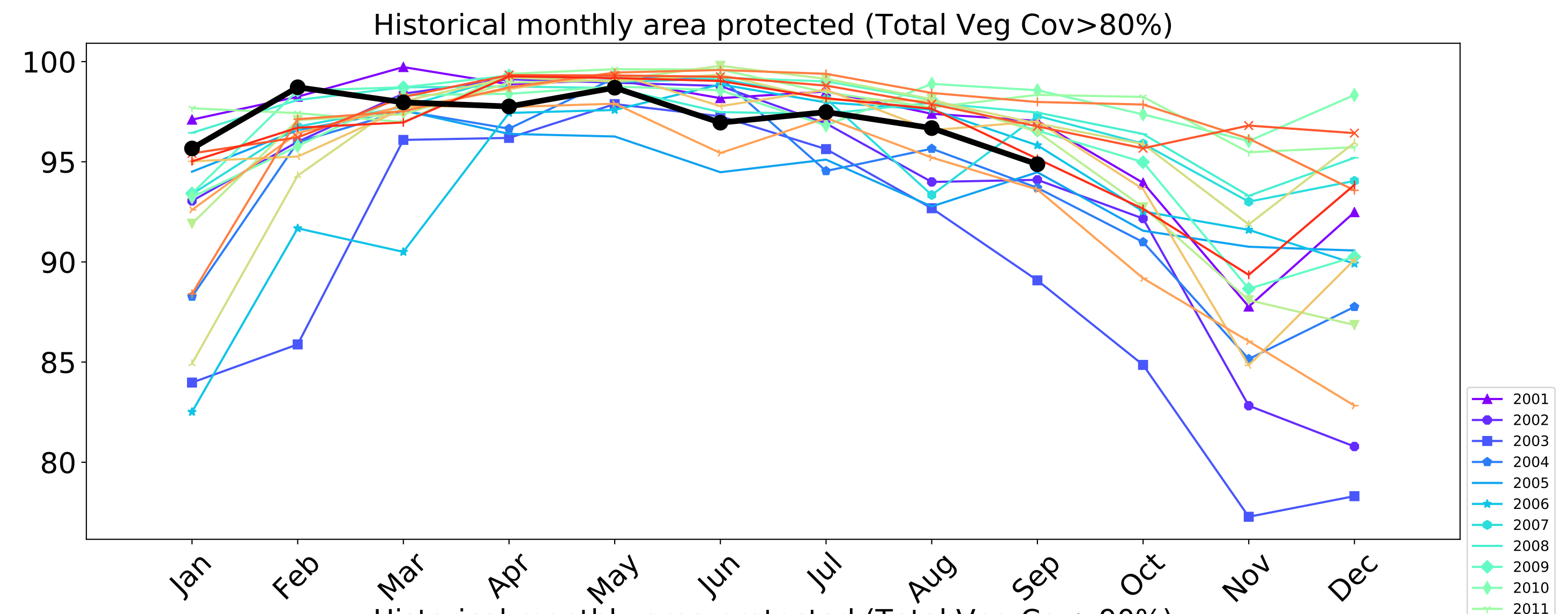
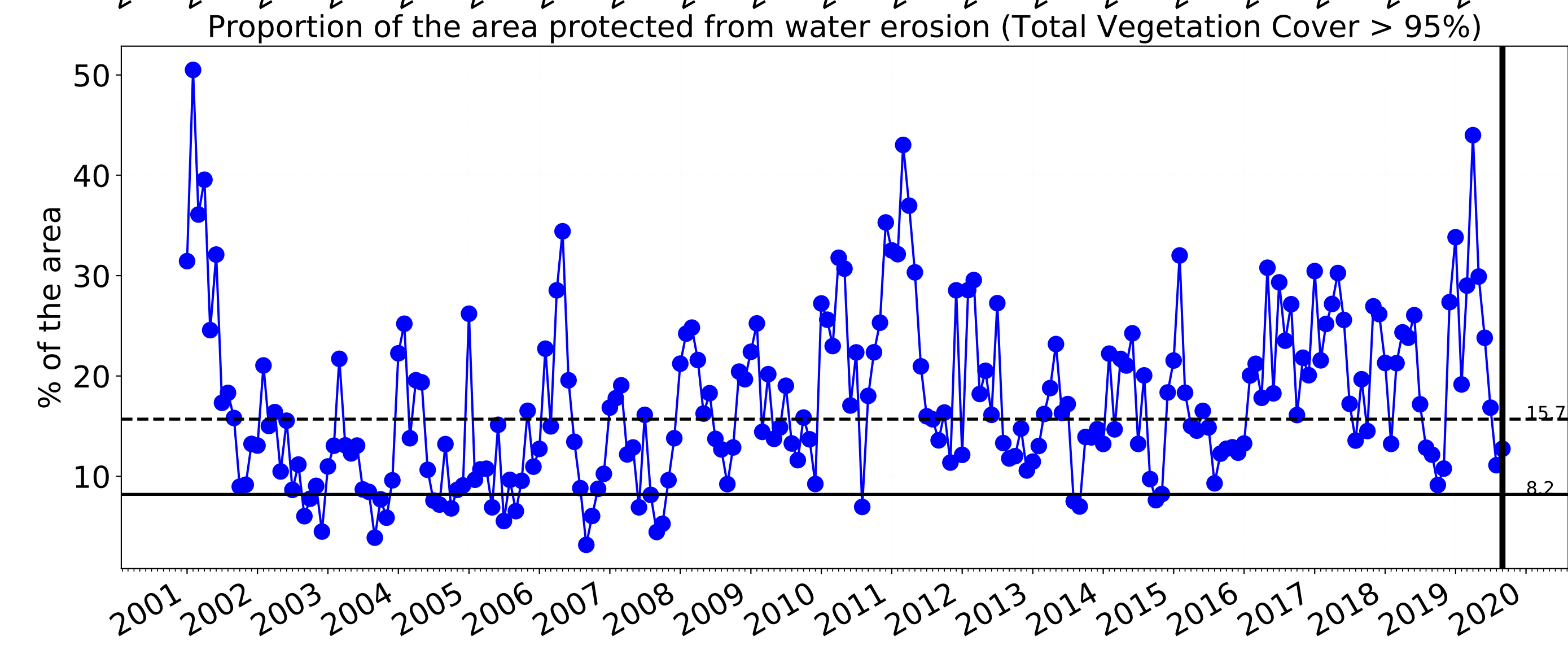
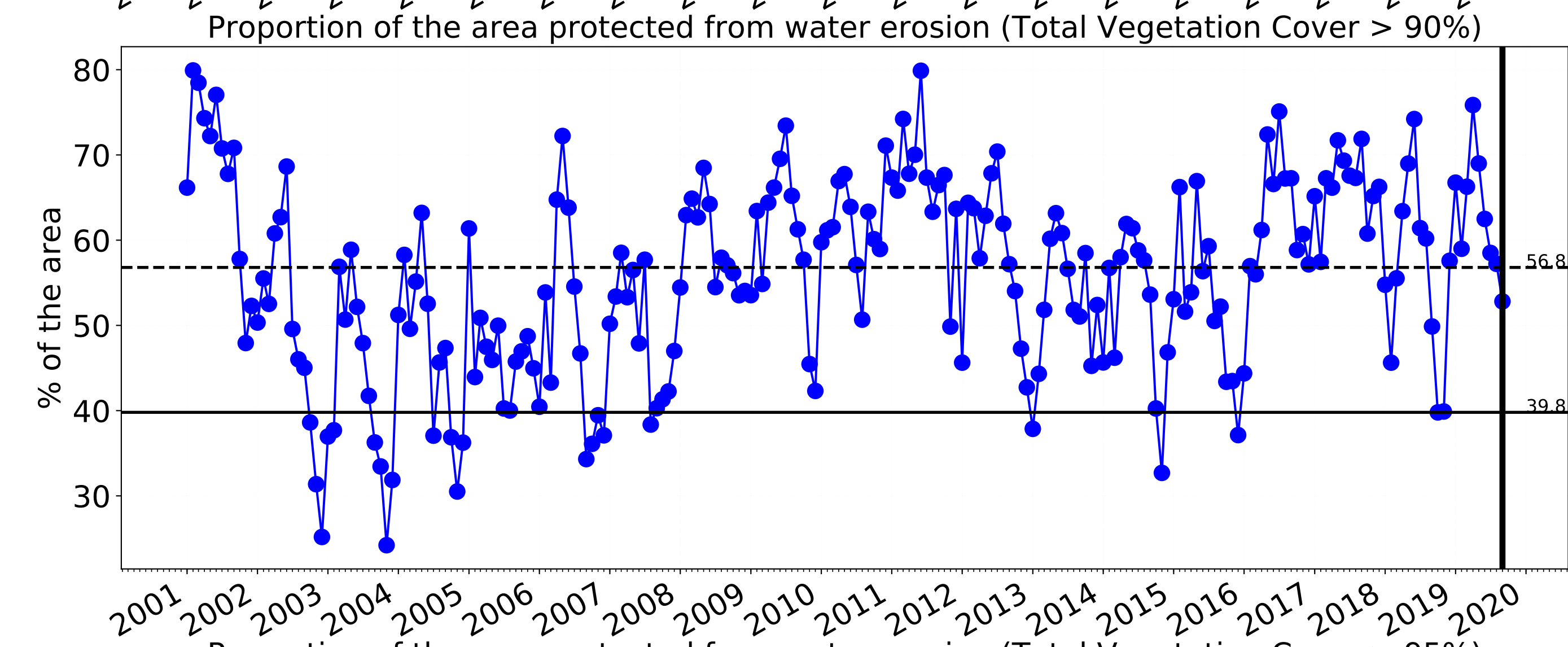
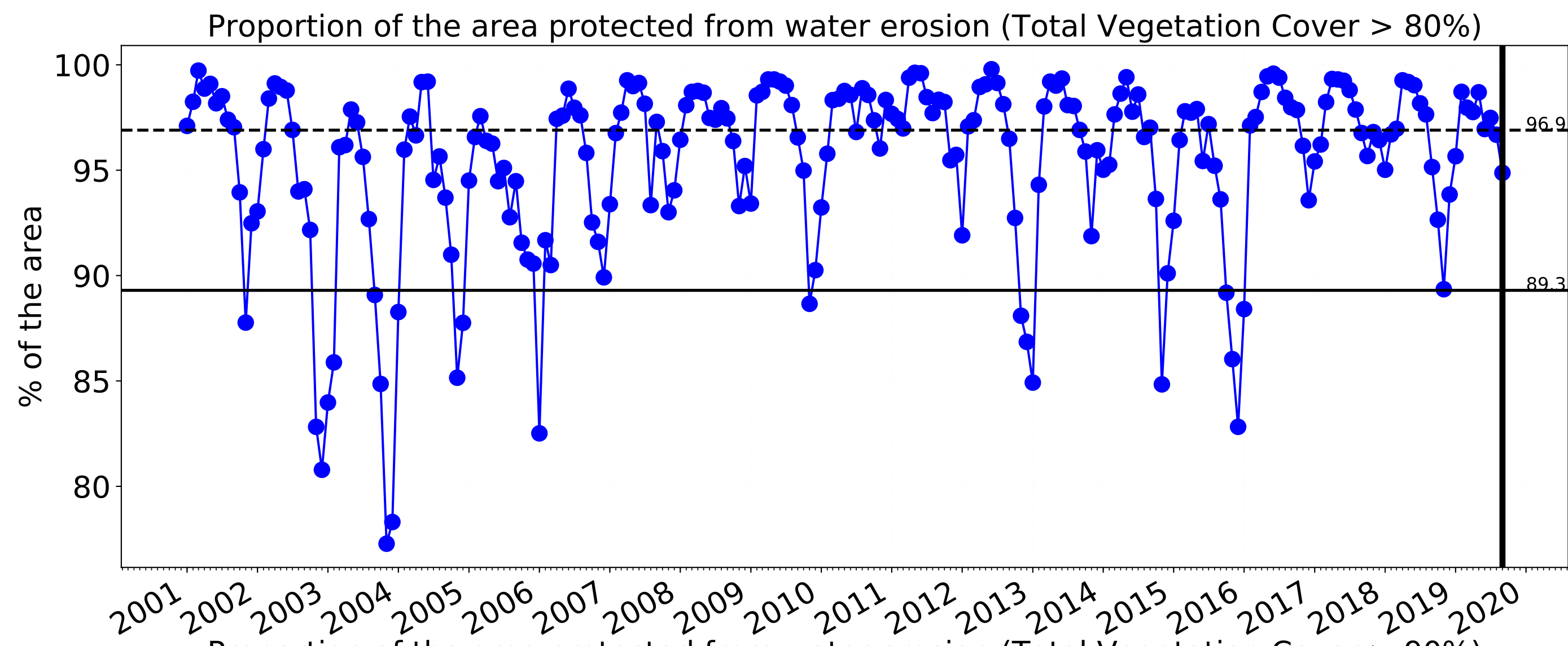
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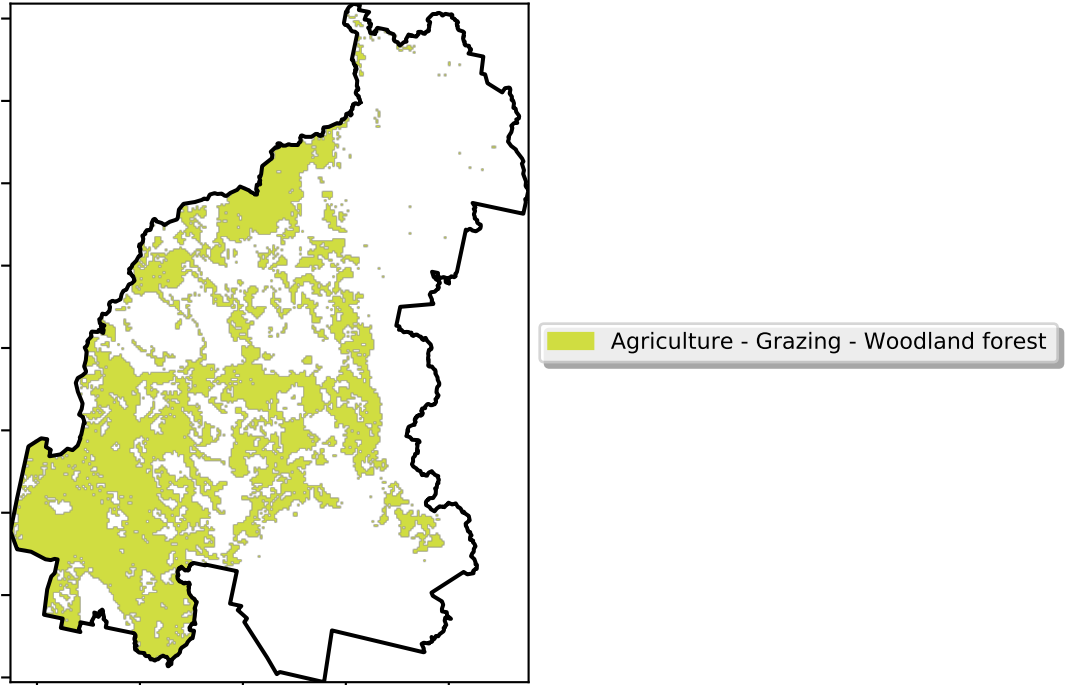




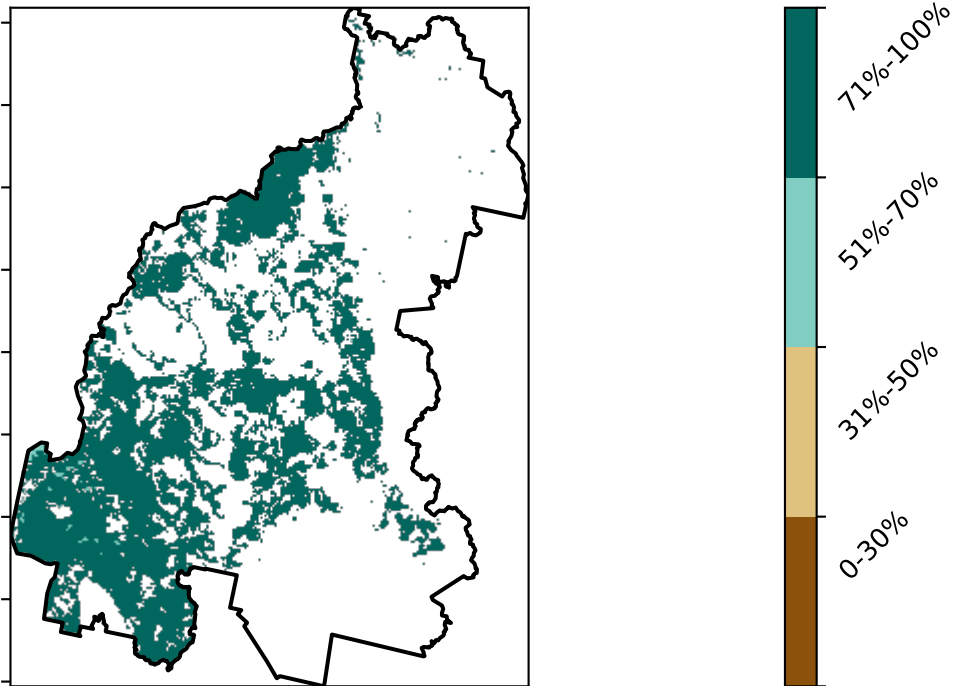
Grazing Woodland forest

Land use and forest cover

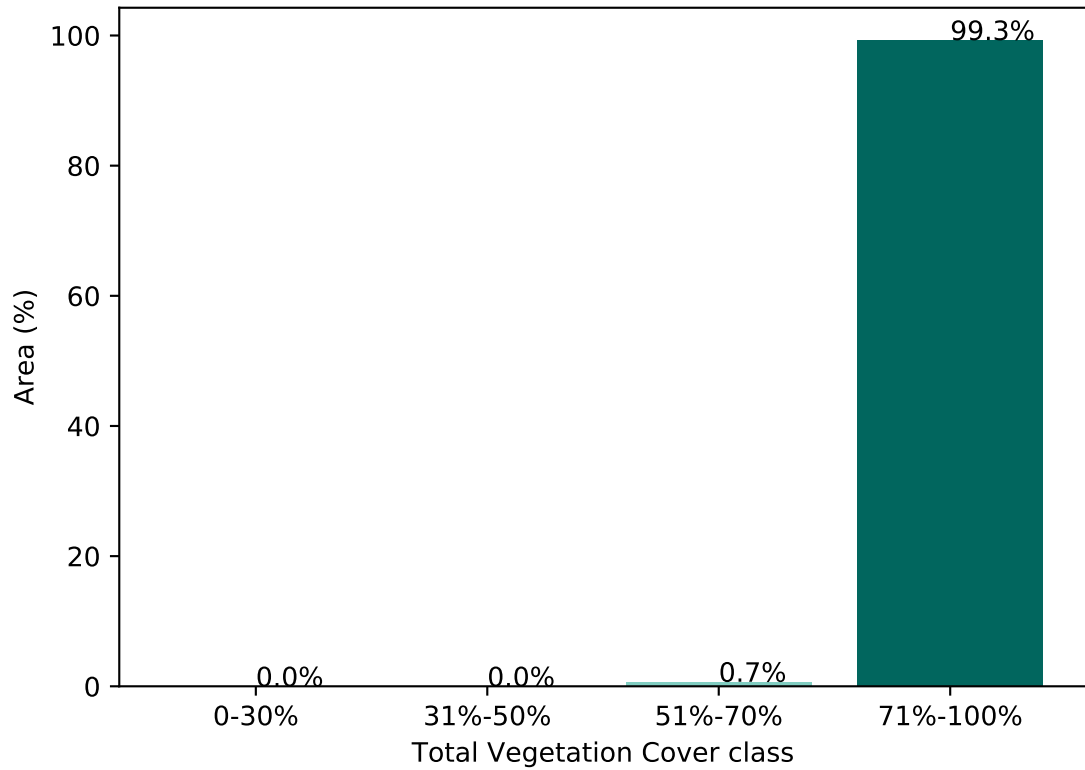
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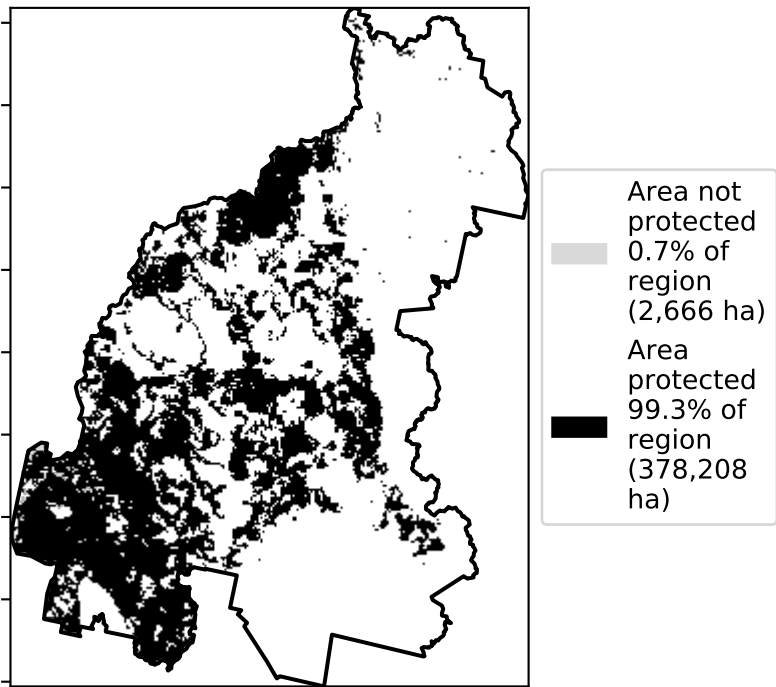
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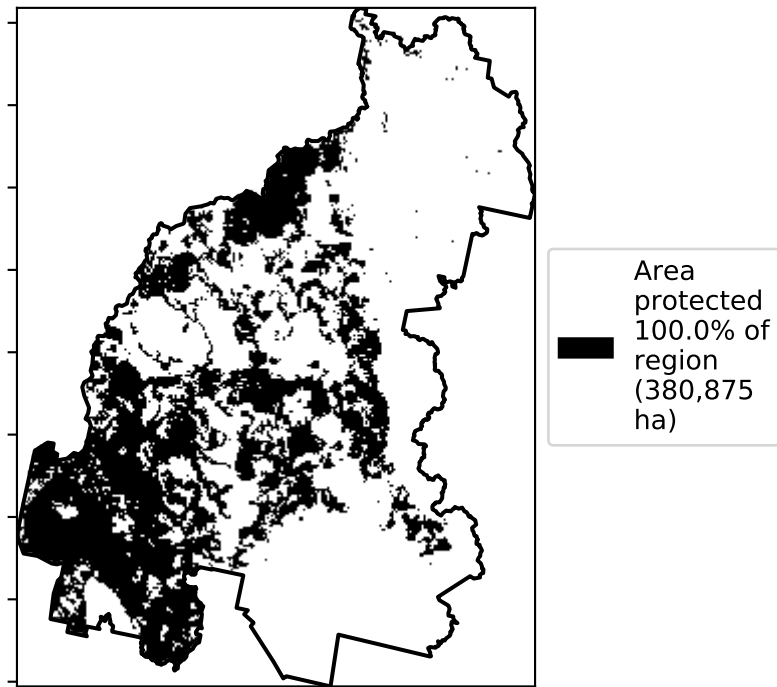
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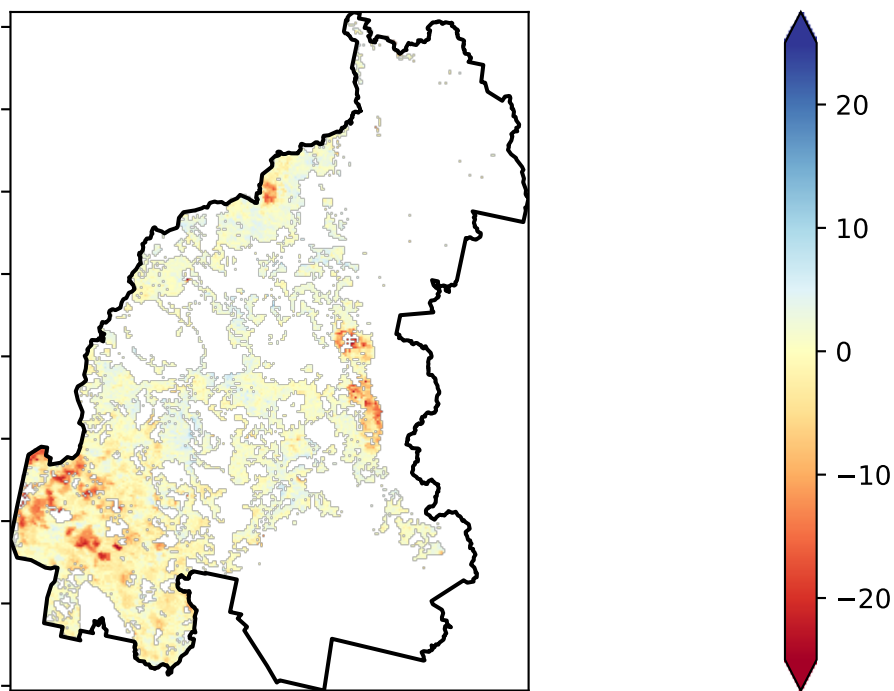


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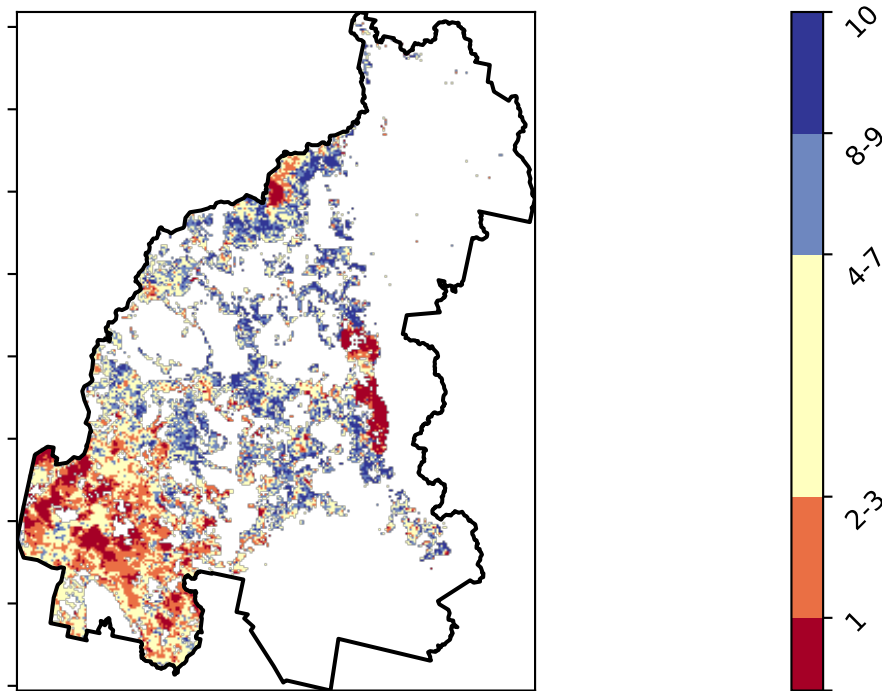
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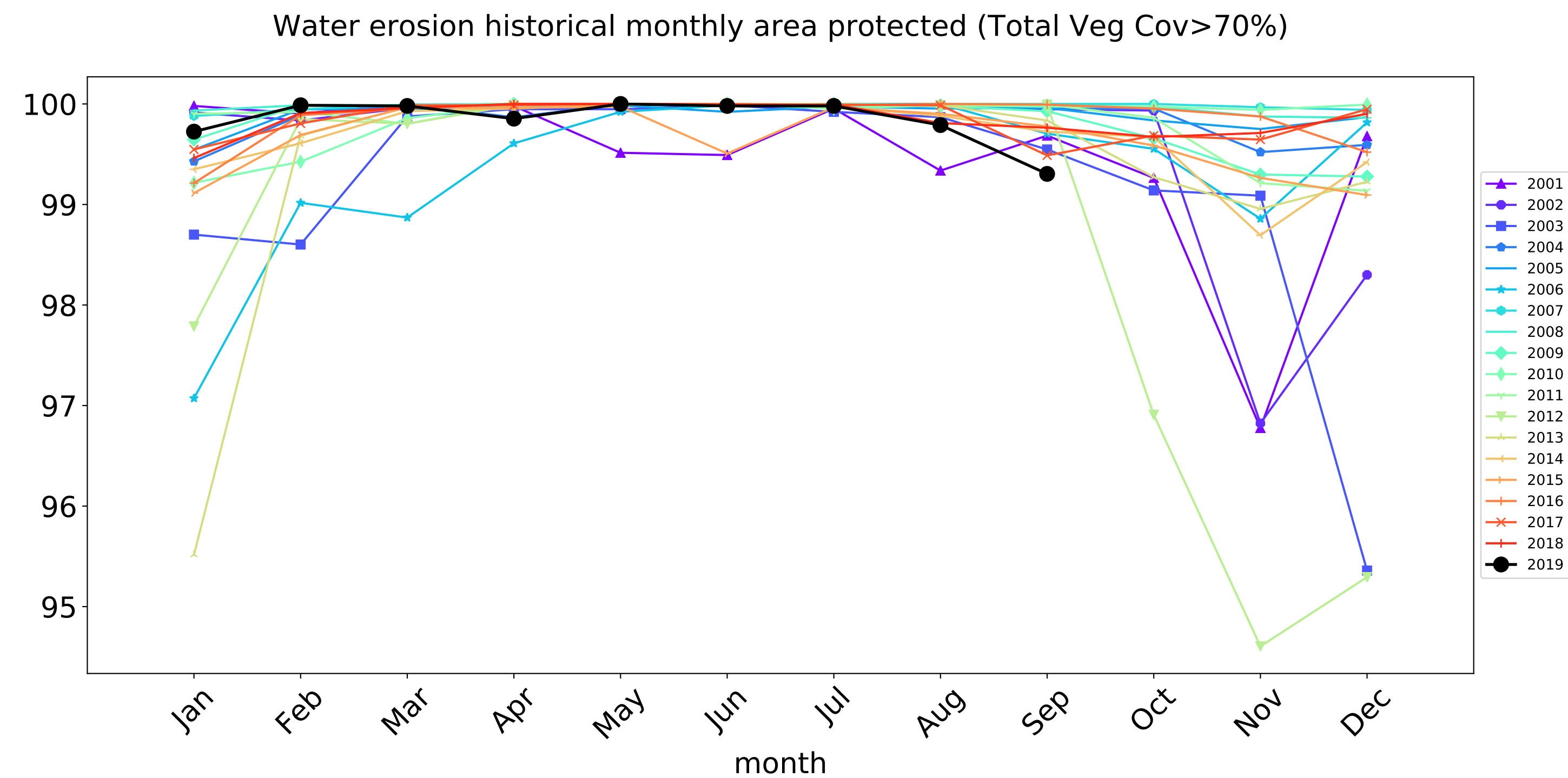
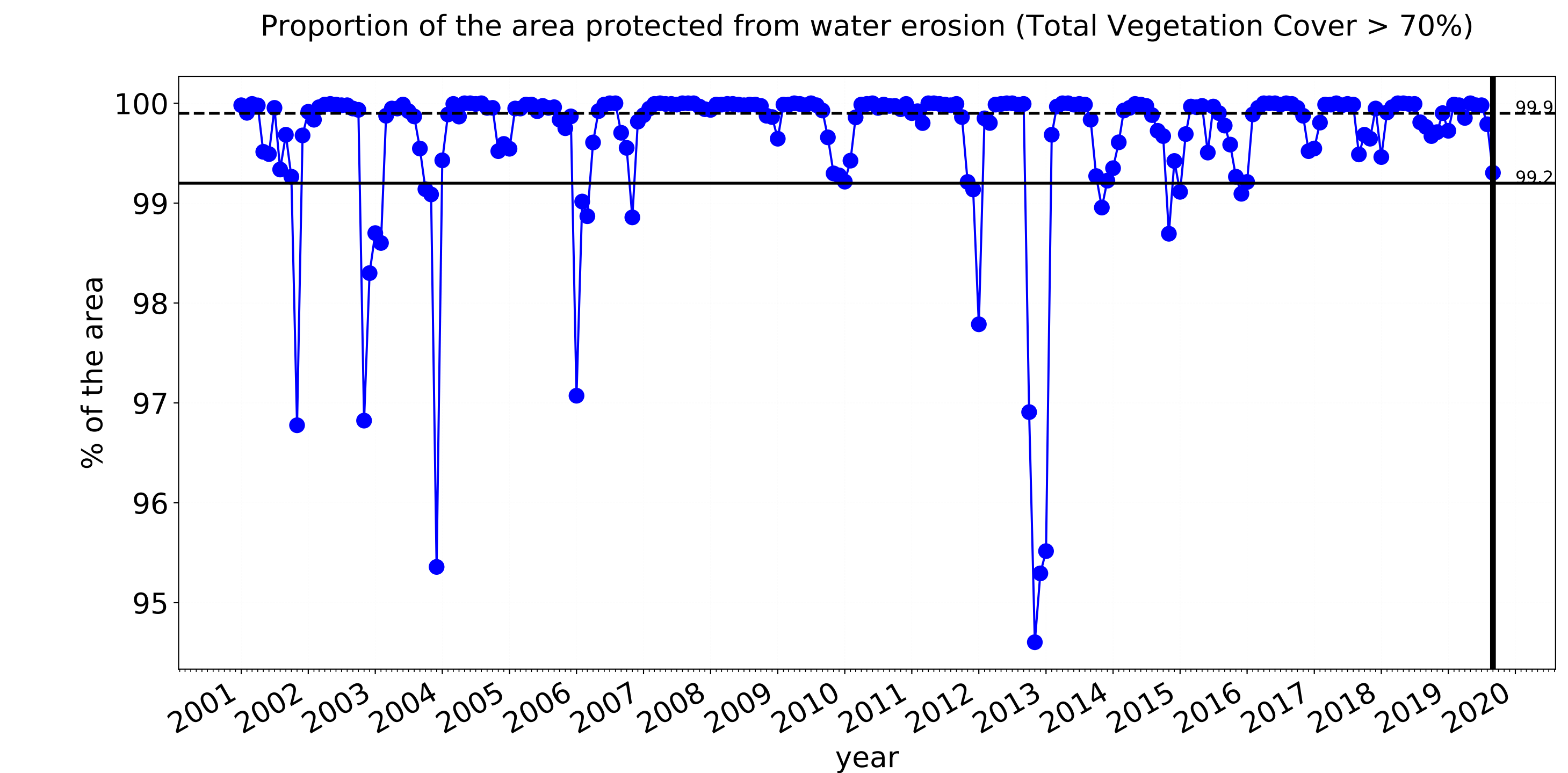
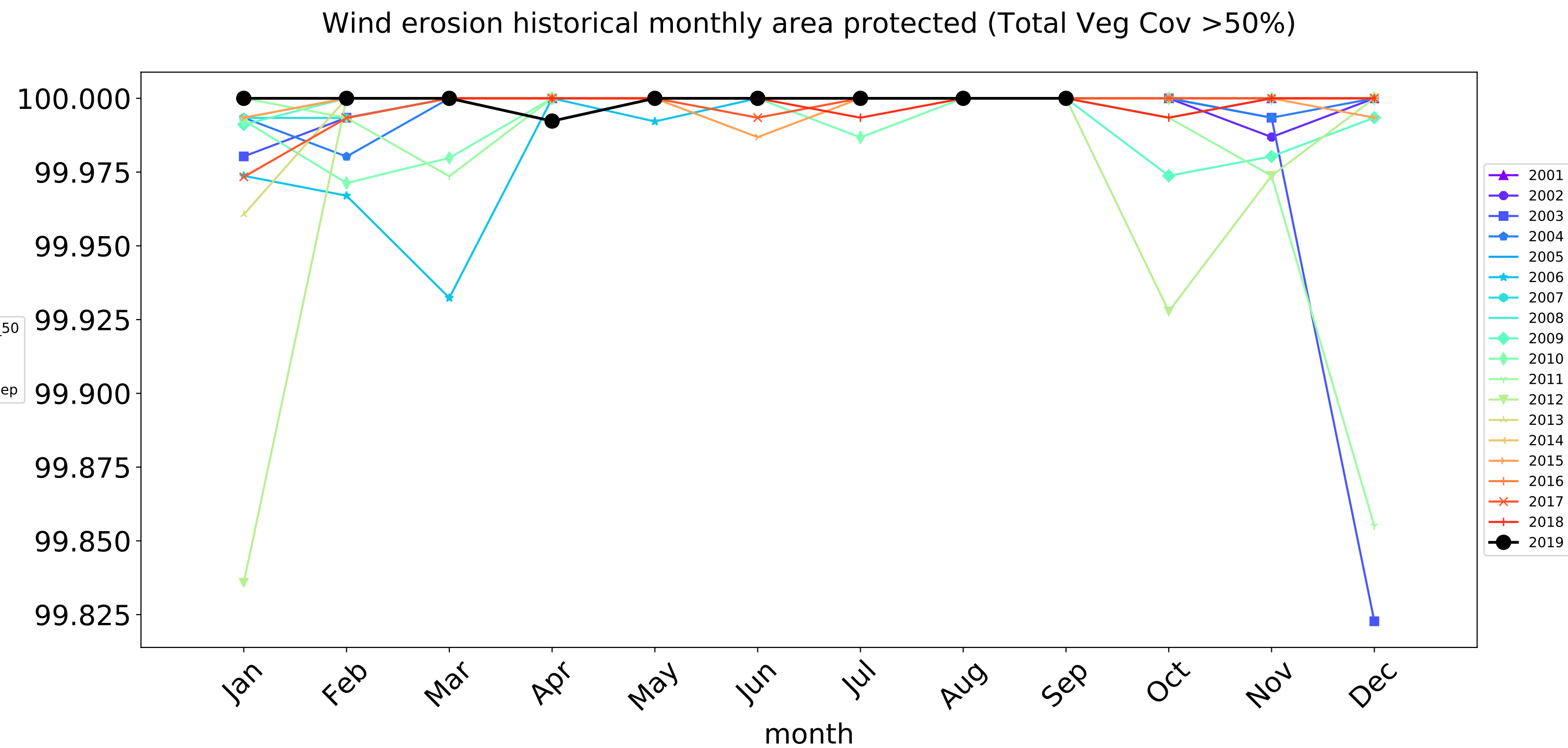
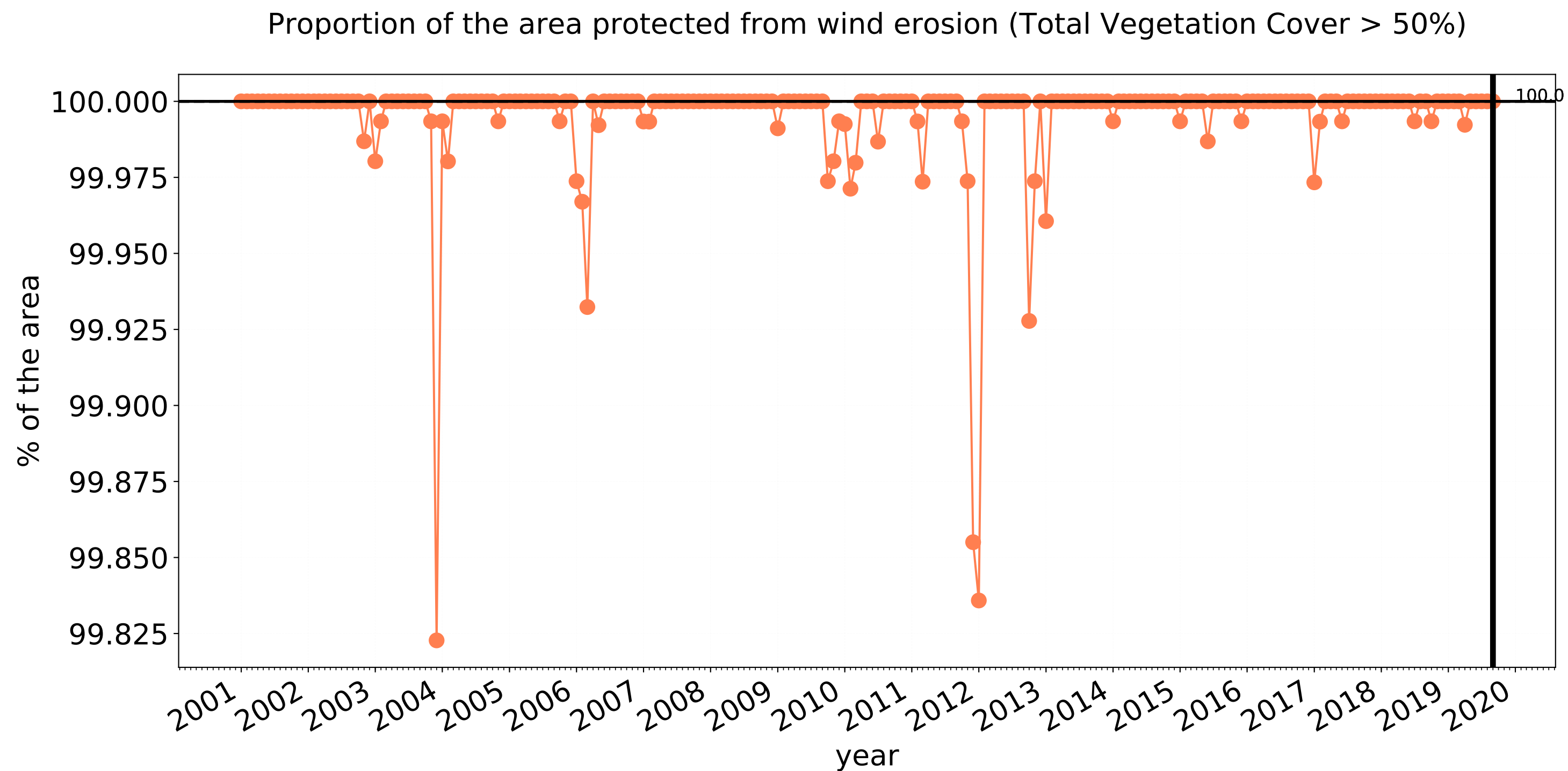


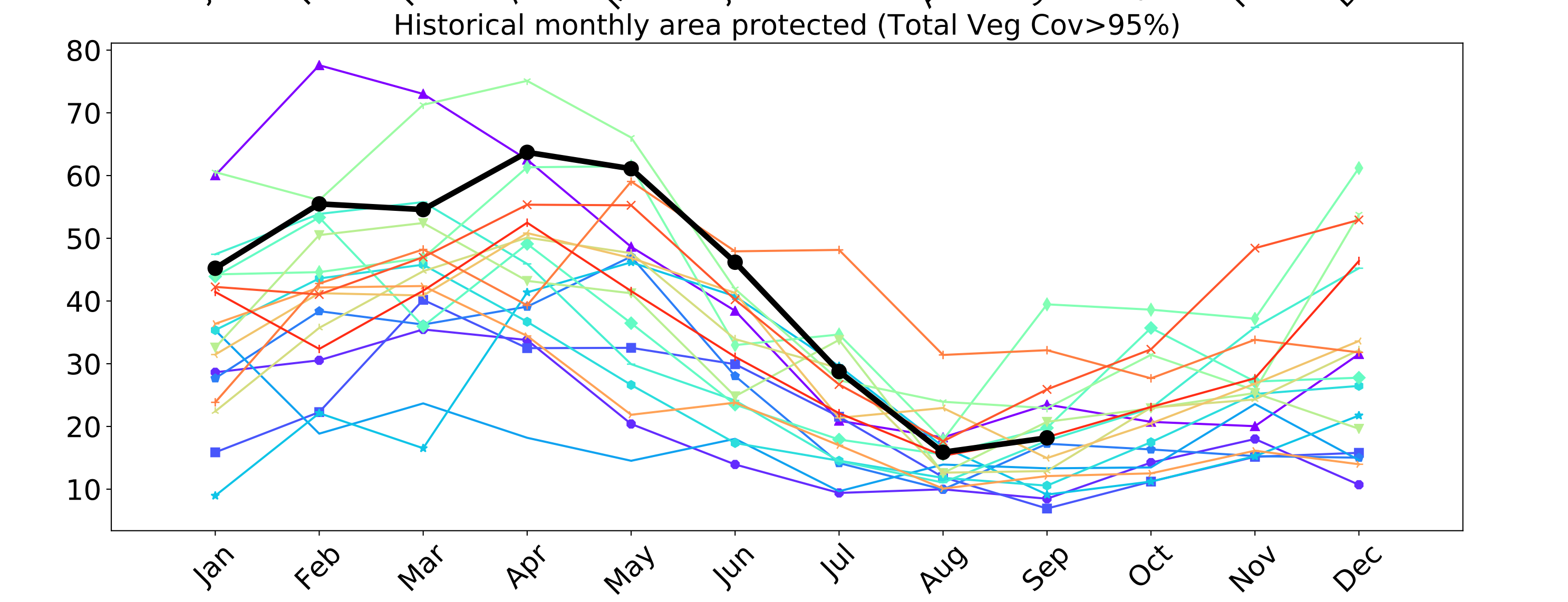
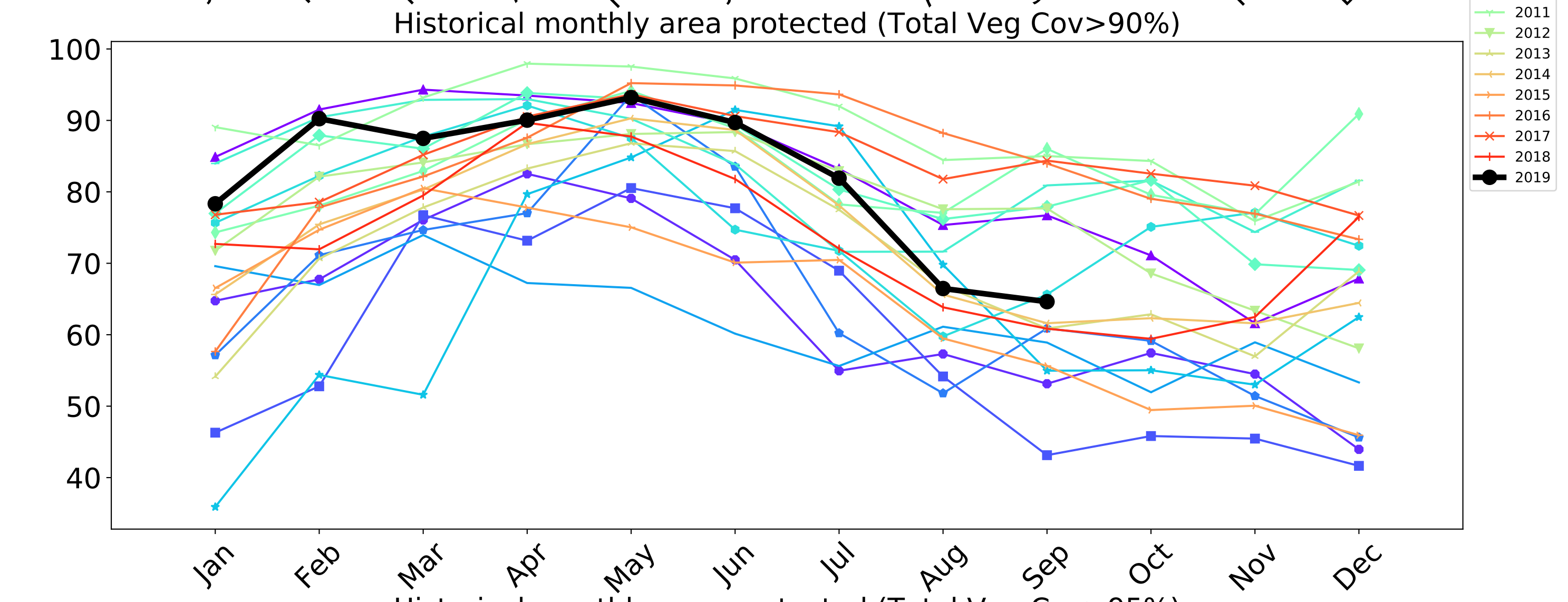
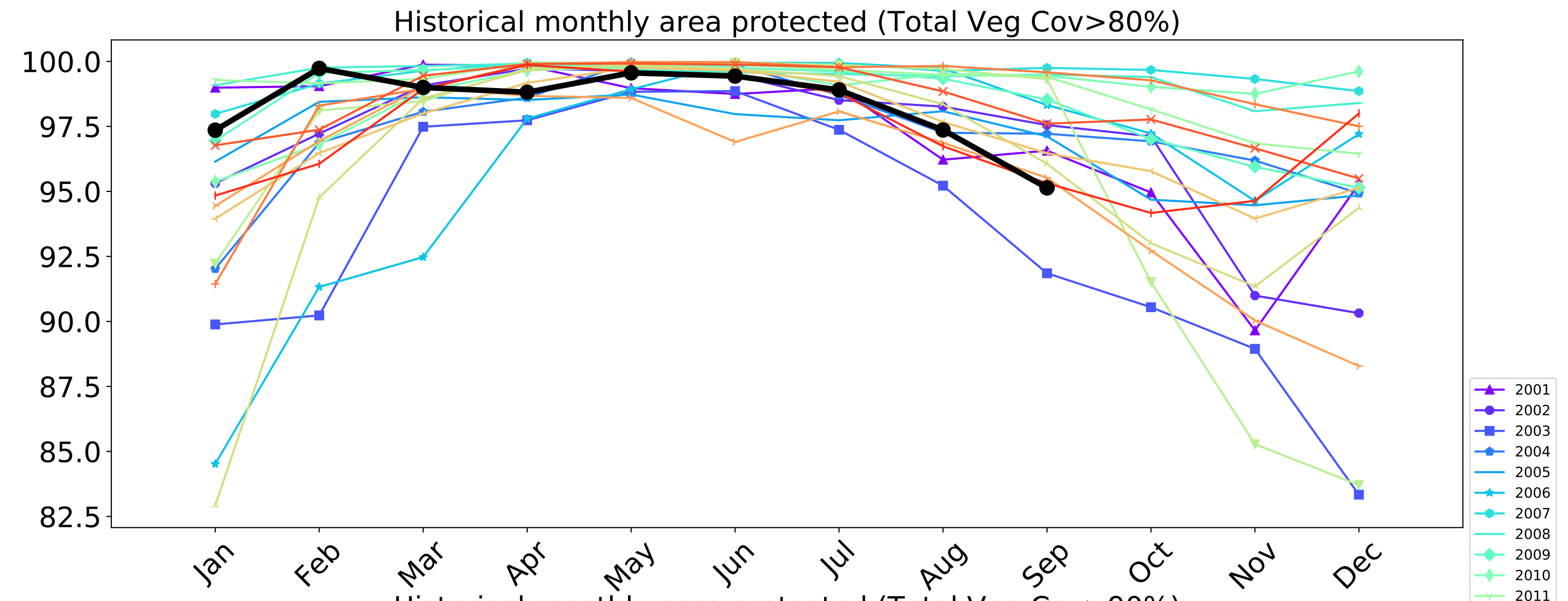
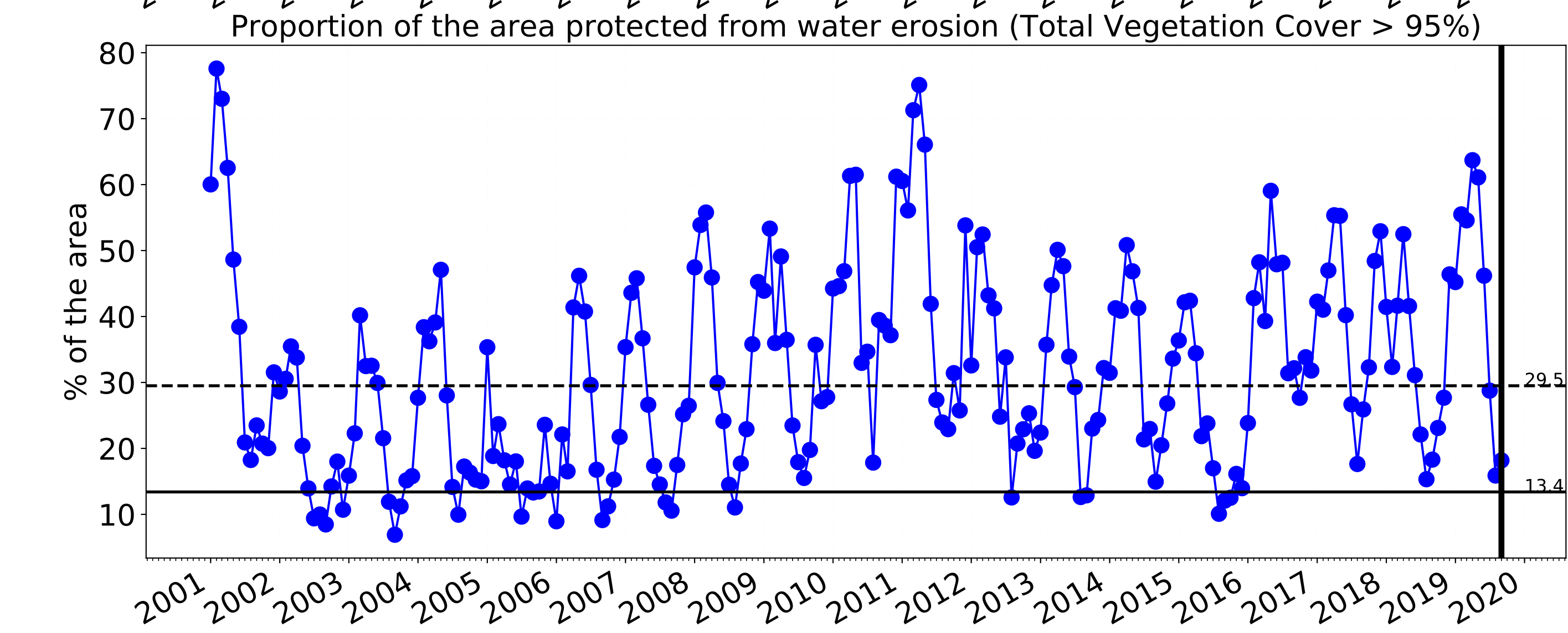
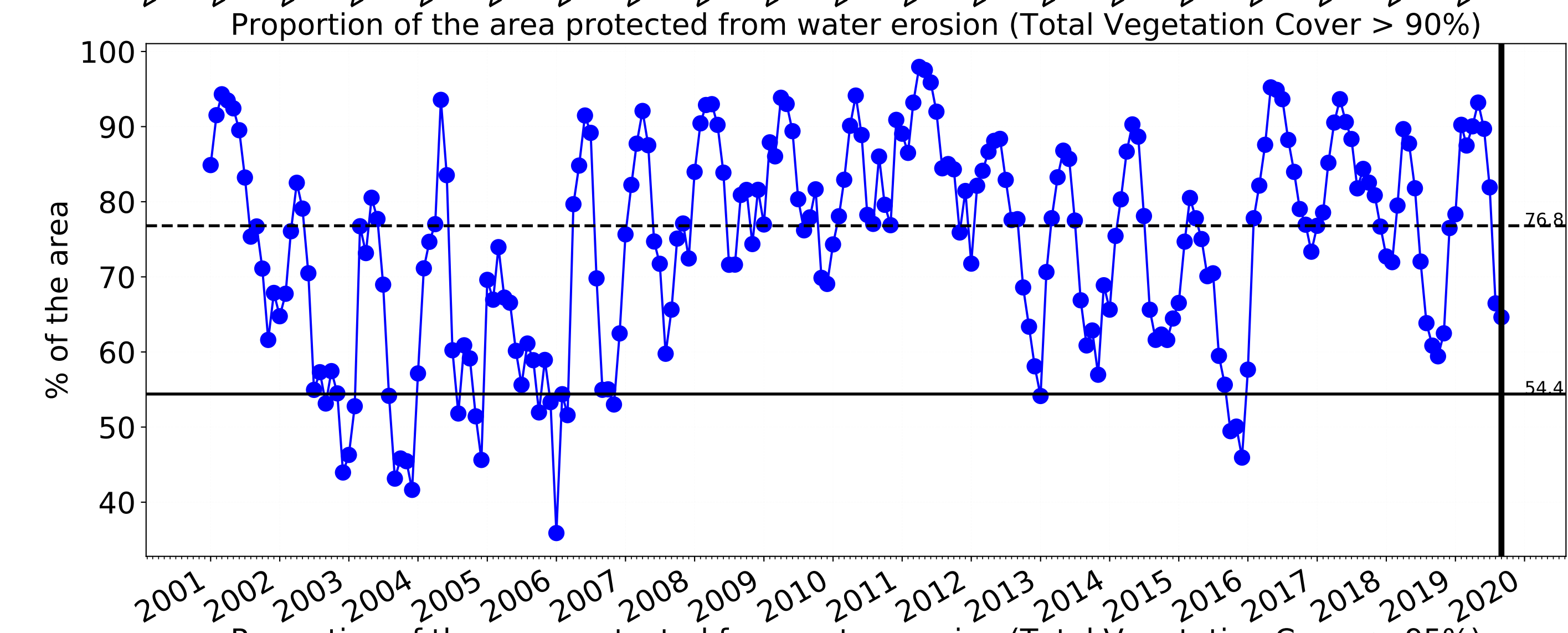
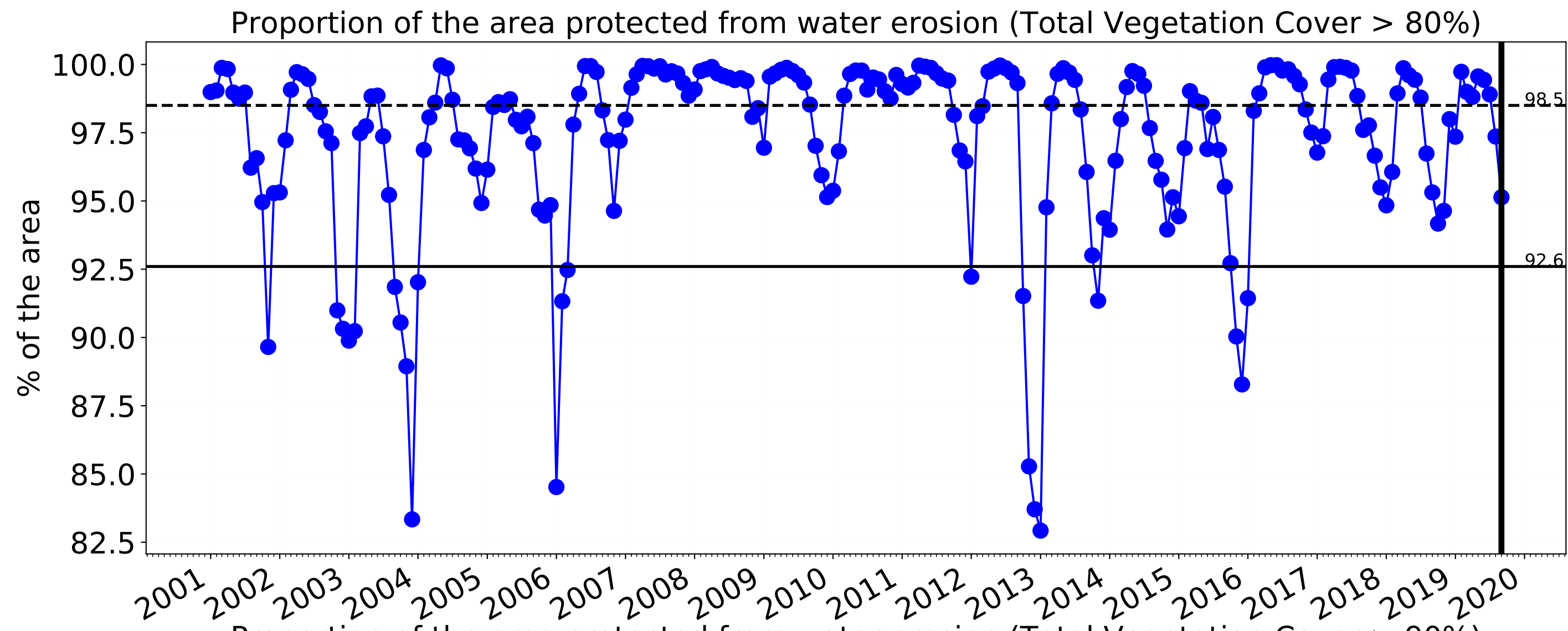
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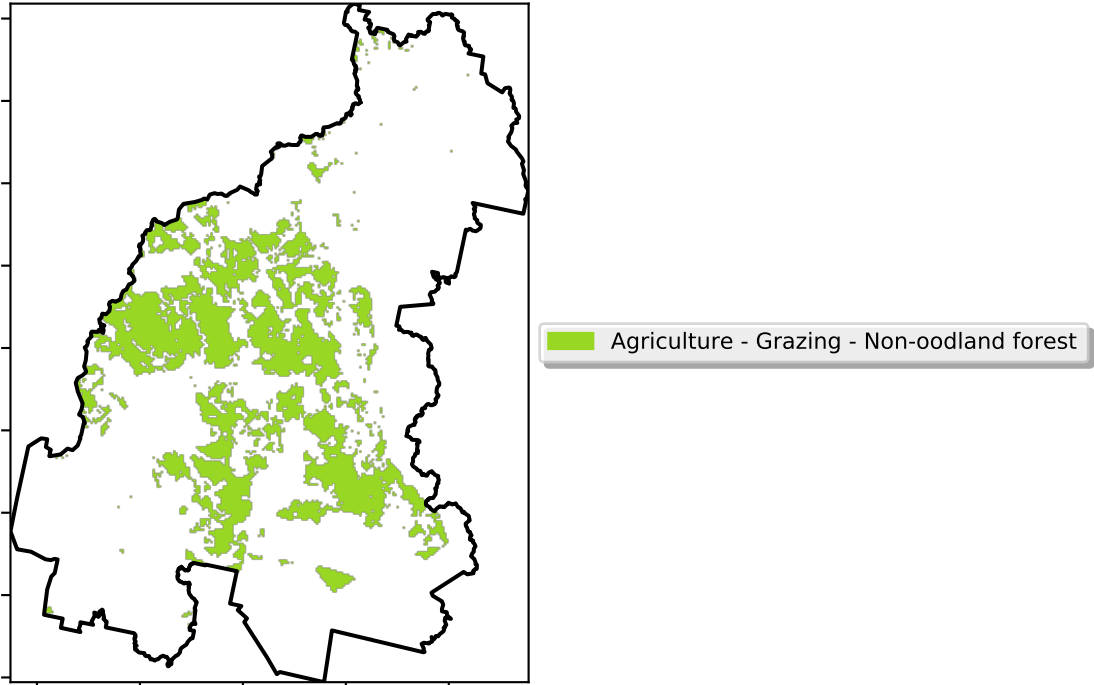




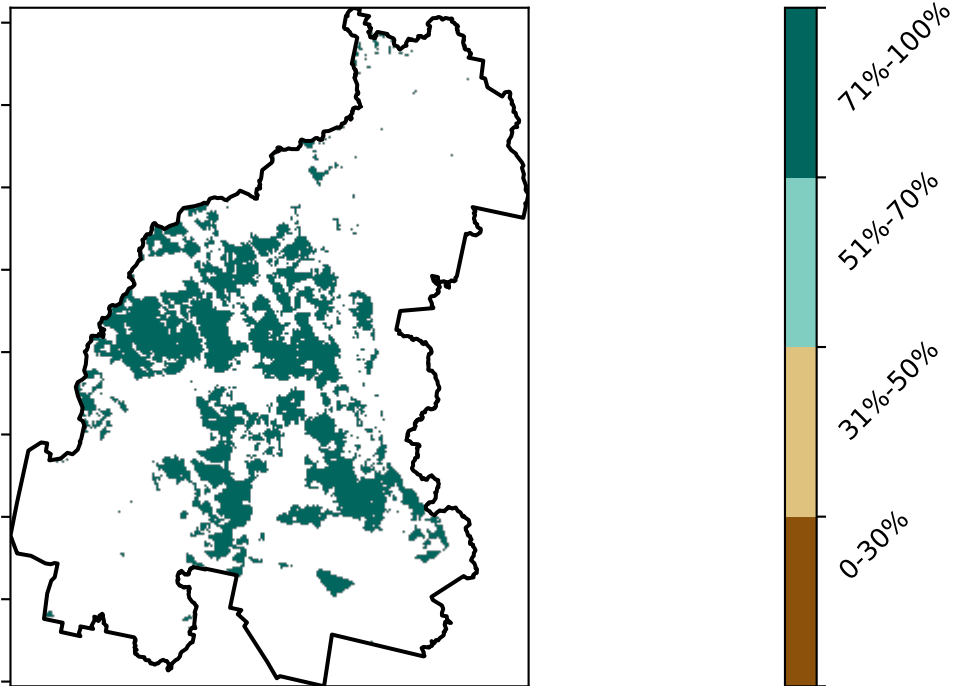
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover

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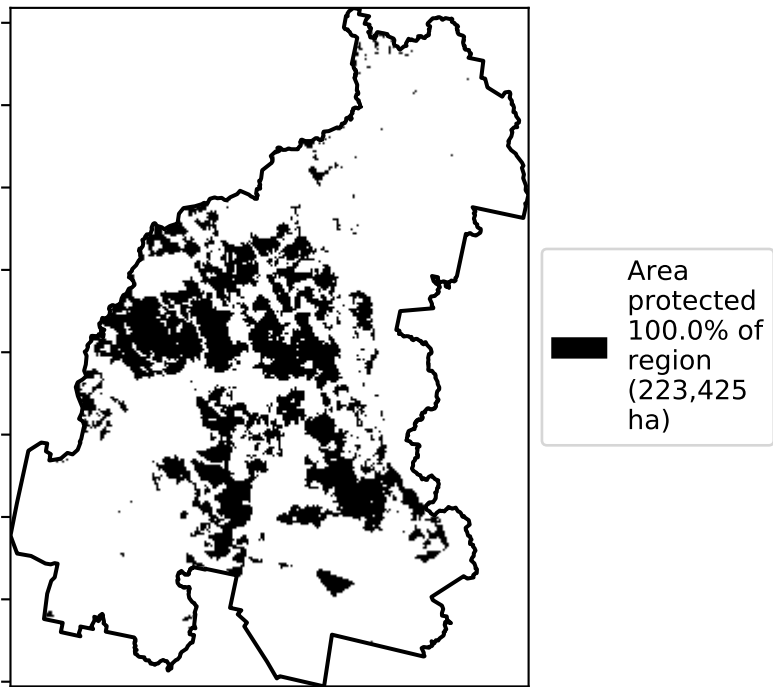
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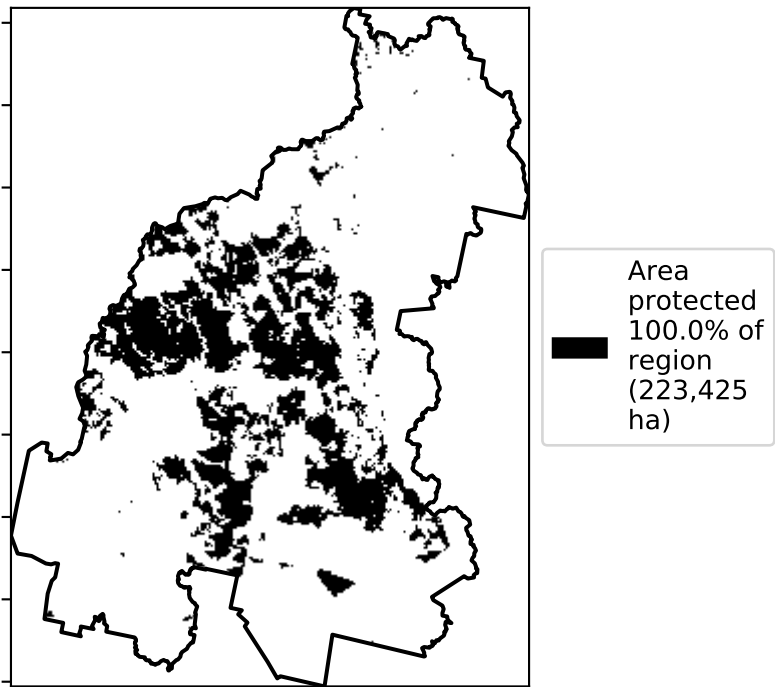
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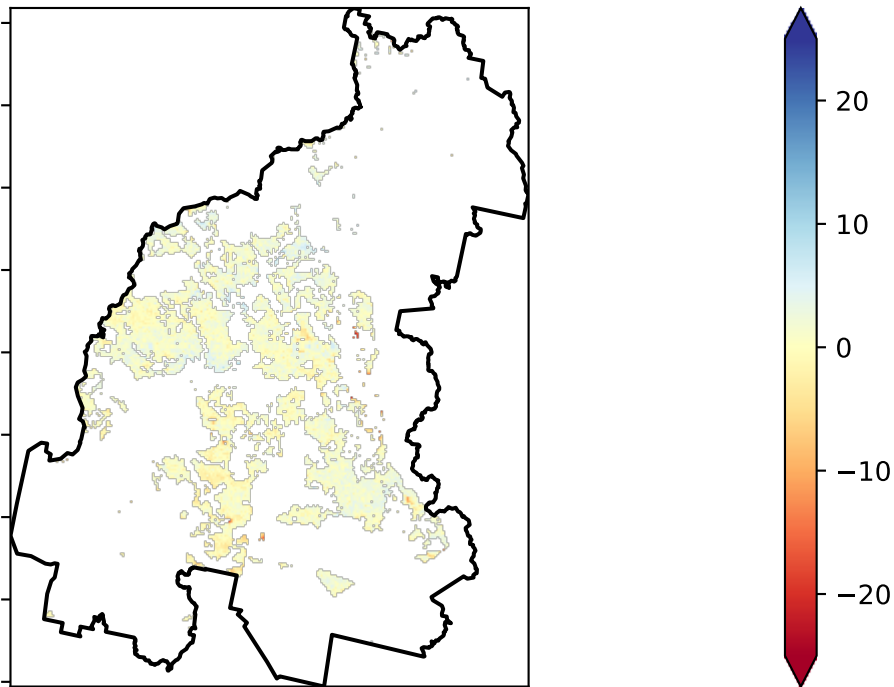


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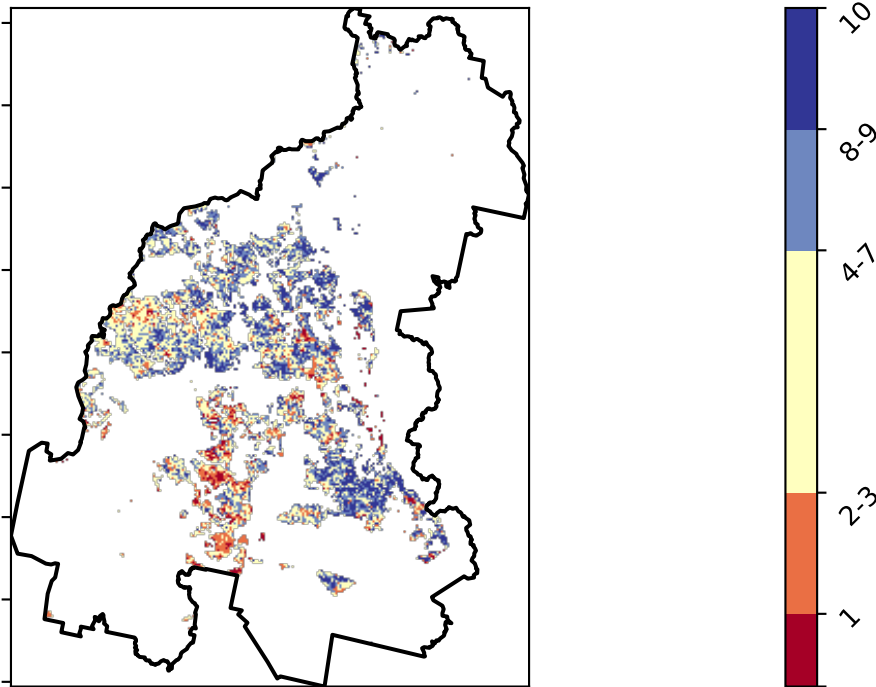
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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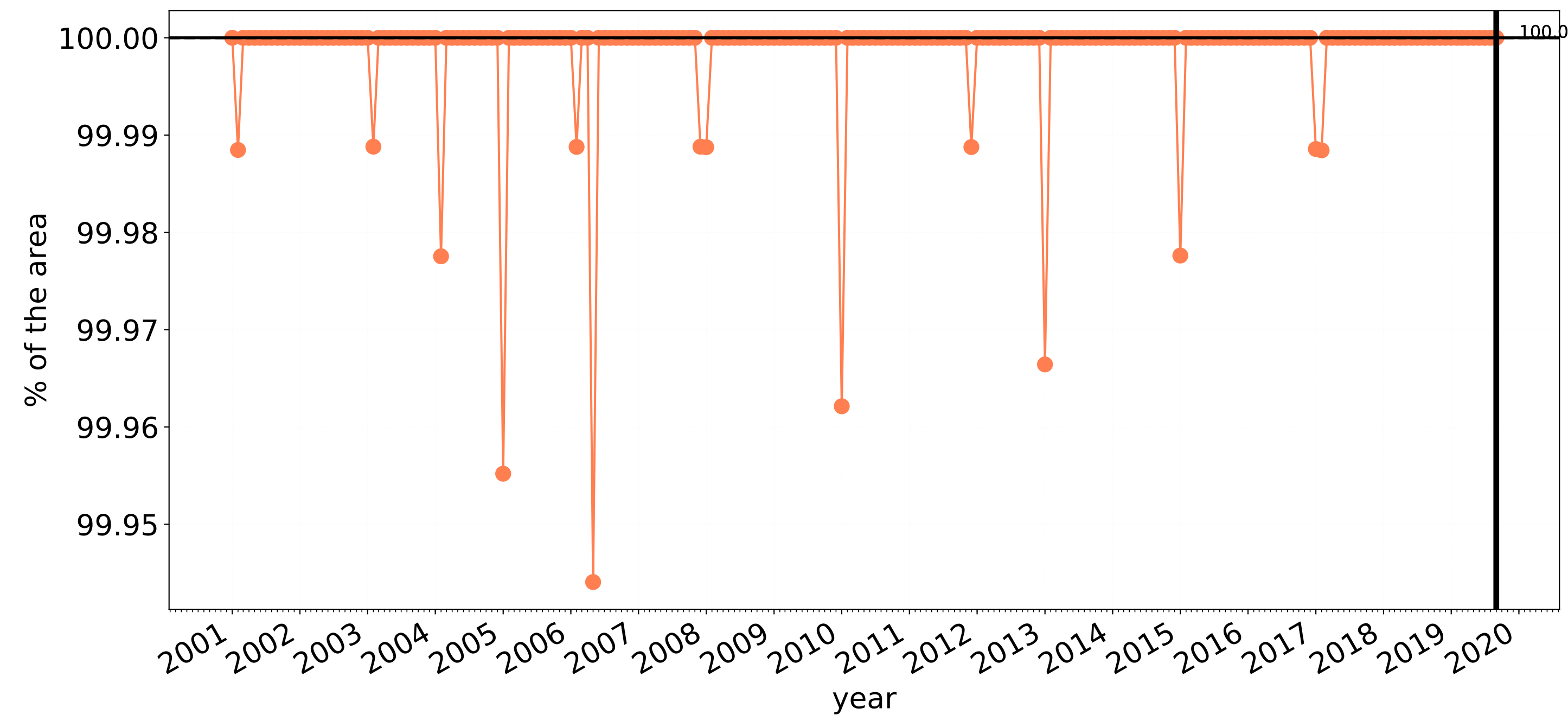
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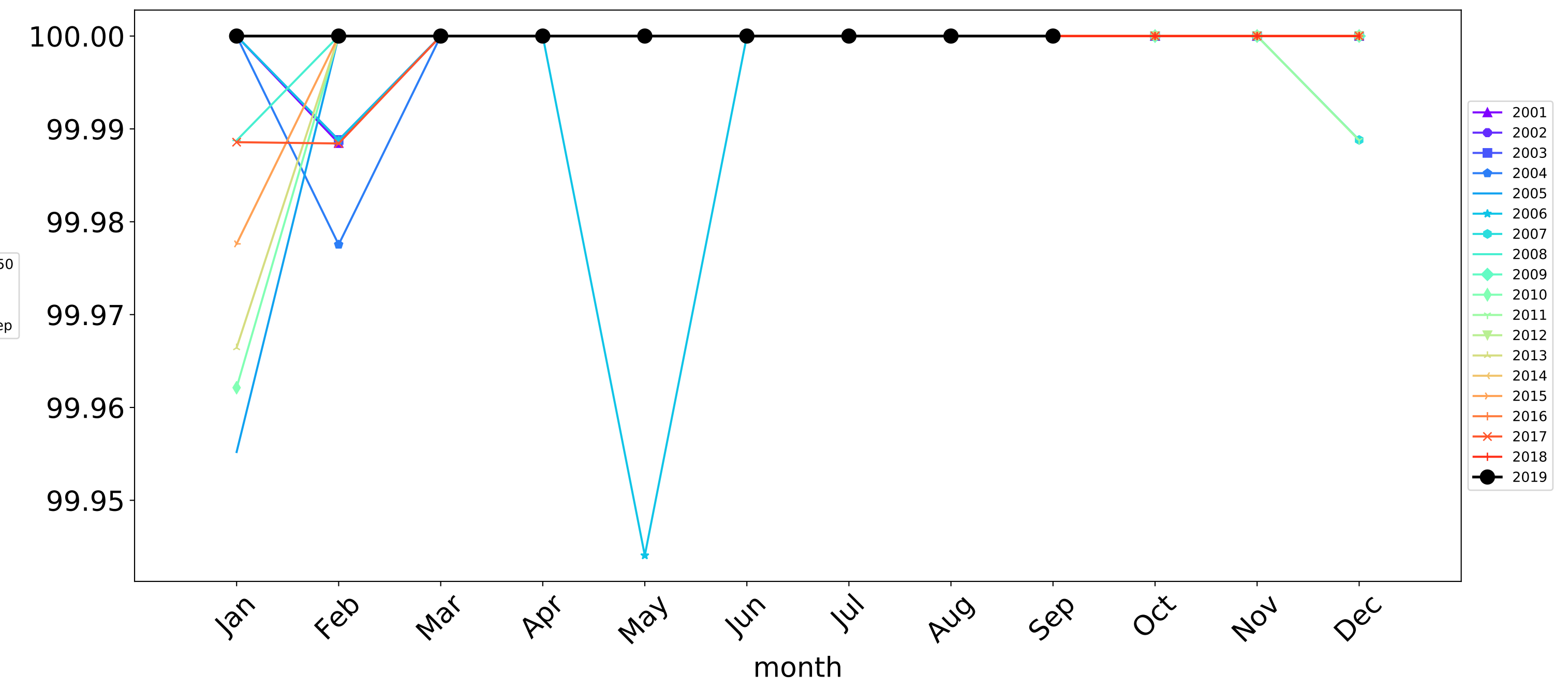
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Grazing - Forest (non woodland) timeseries

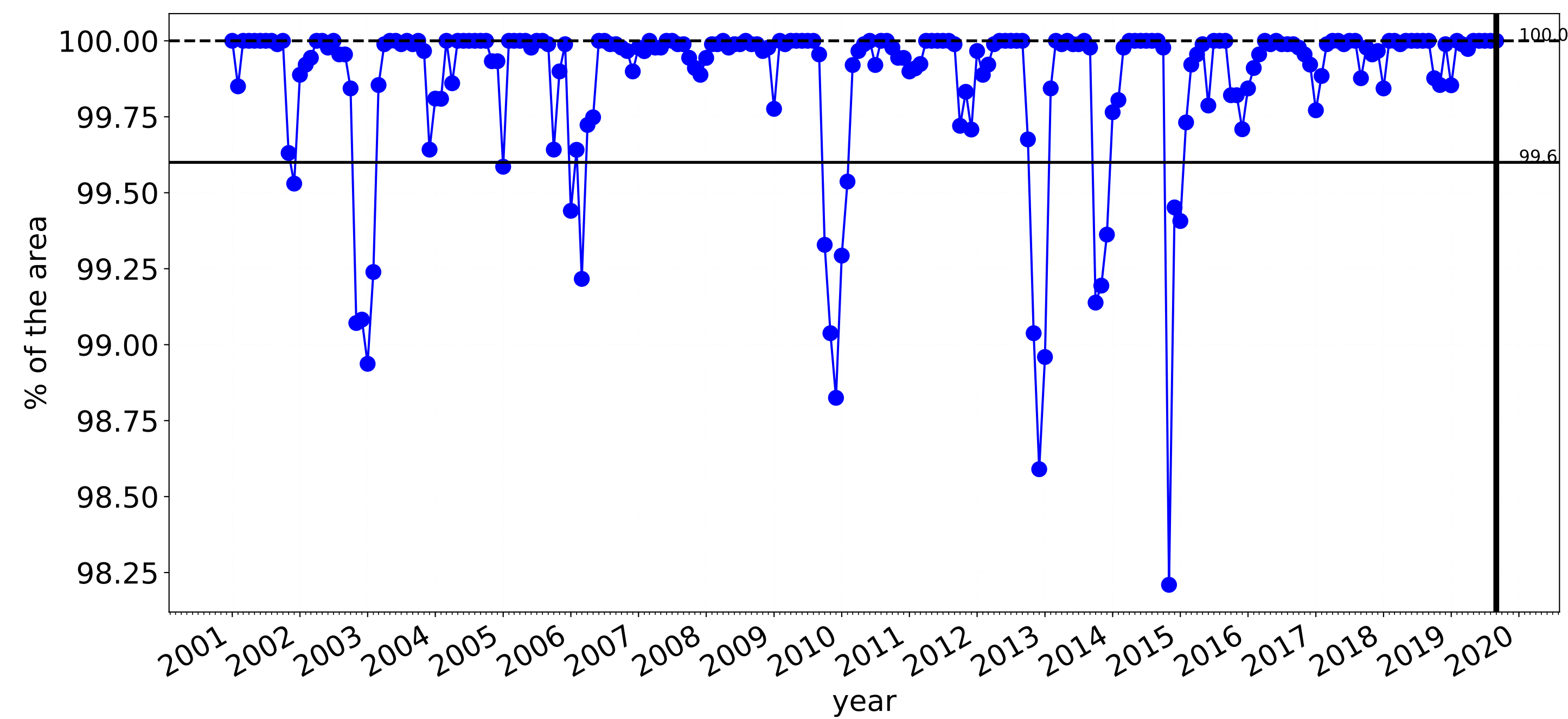
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



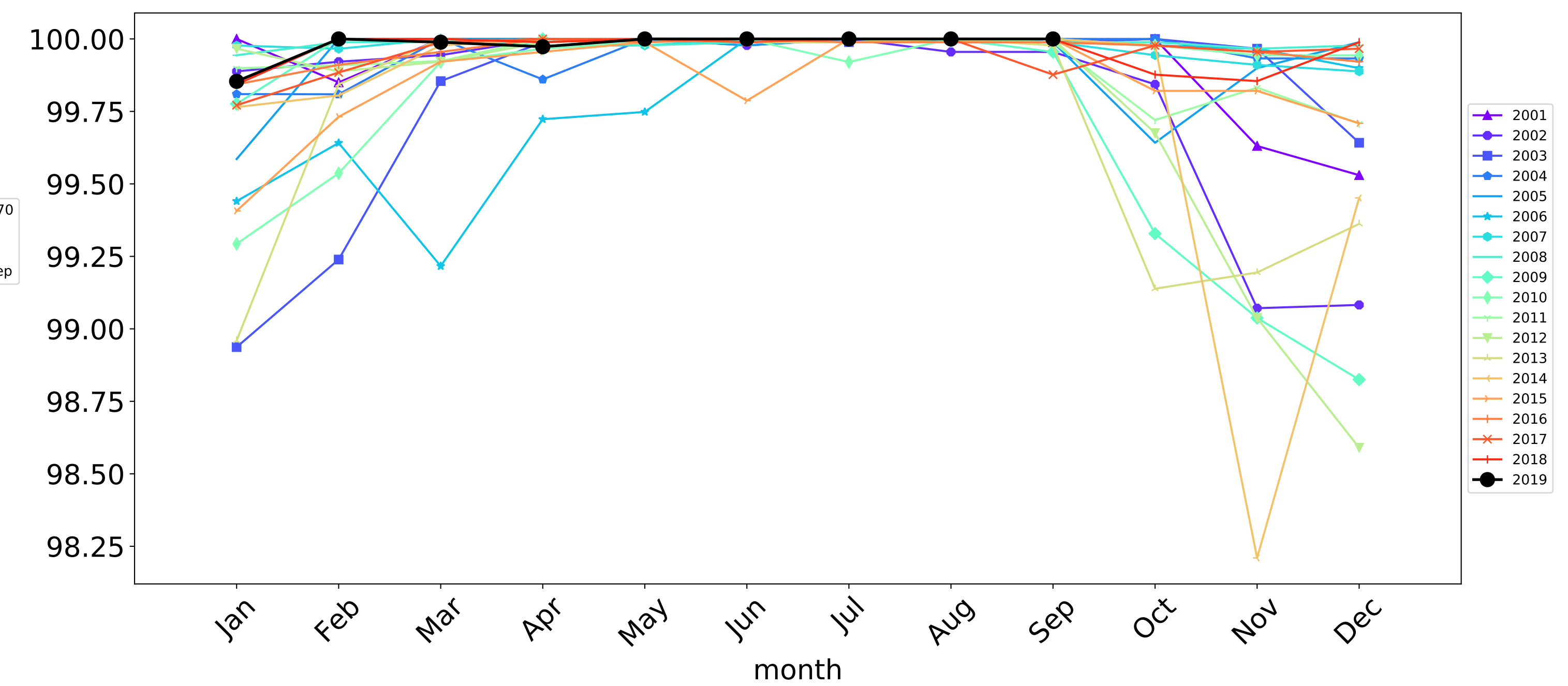
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

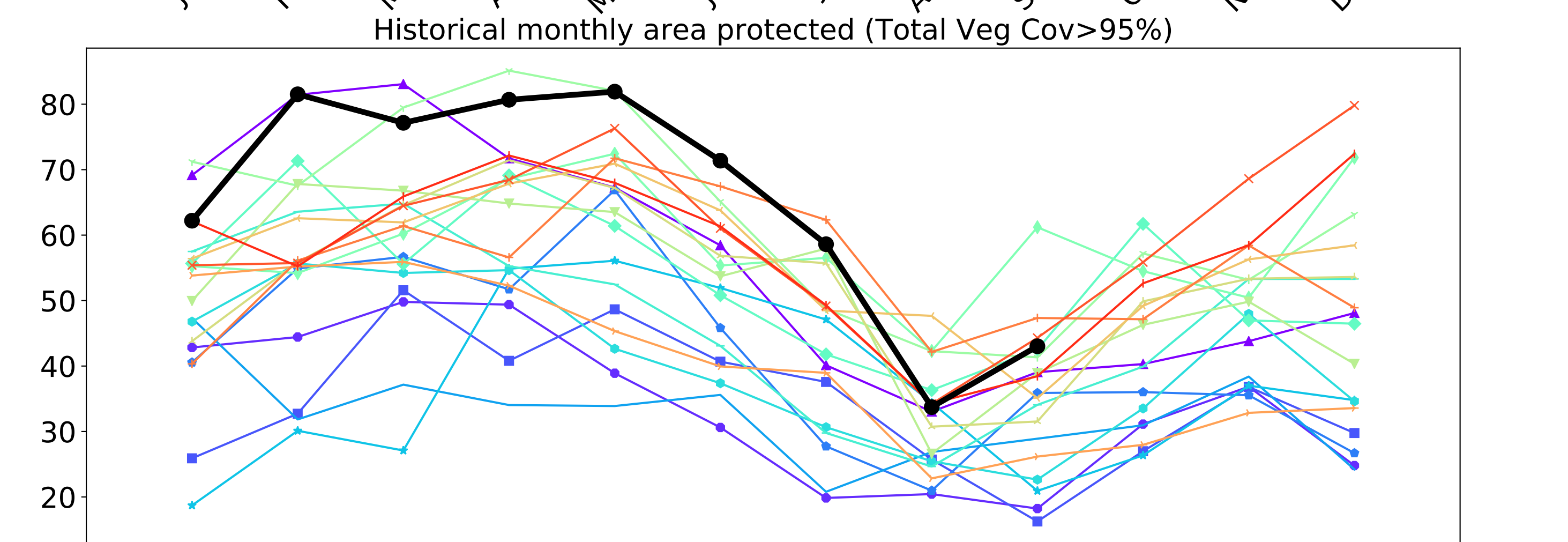
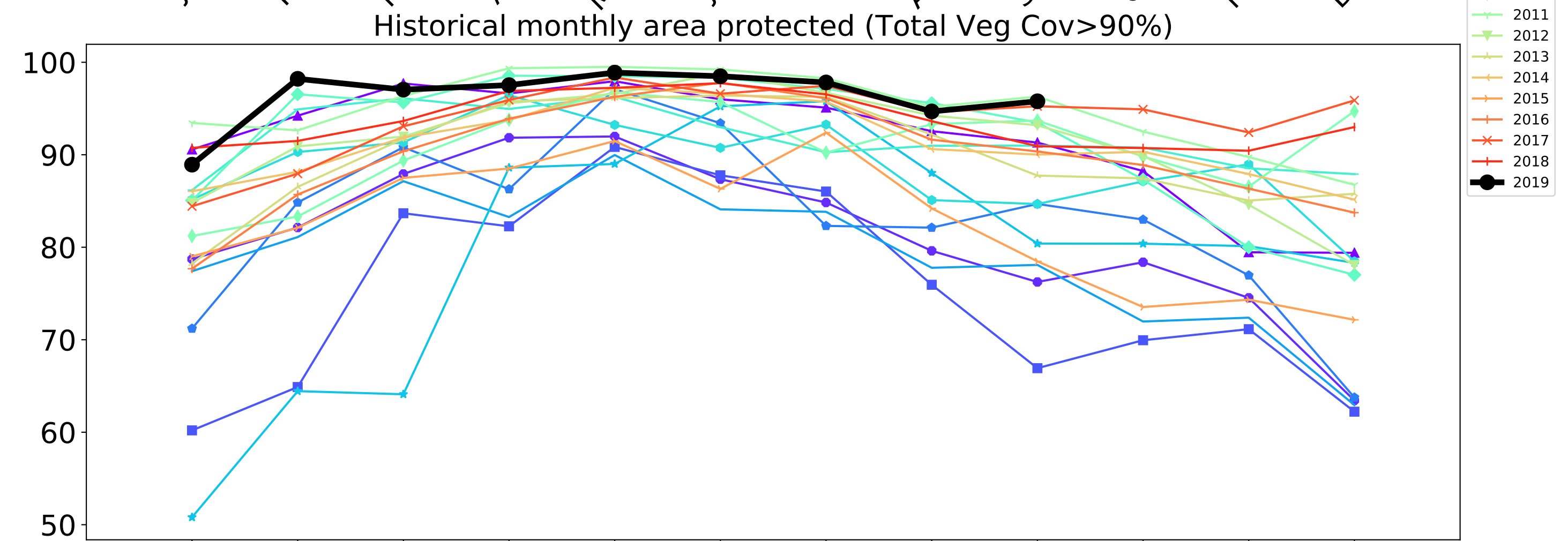
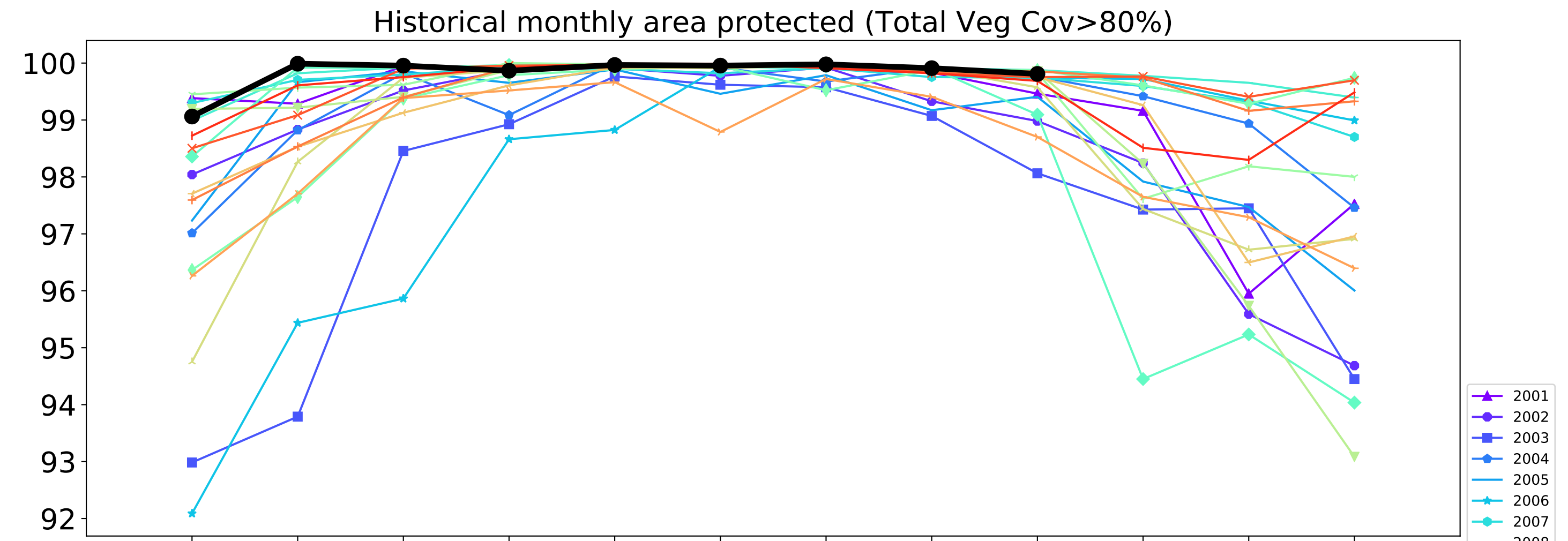
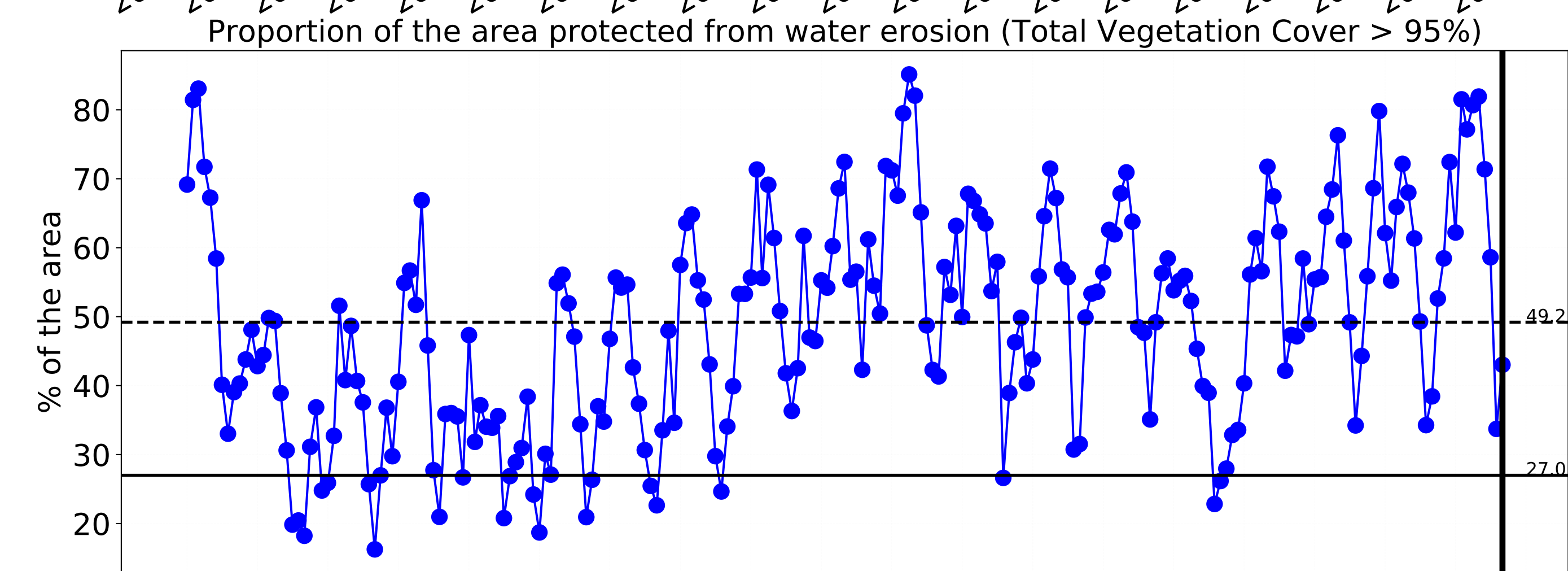
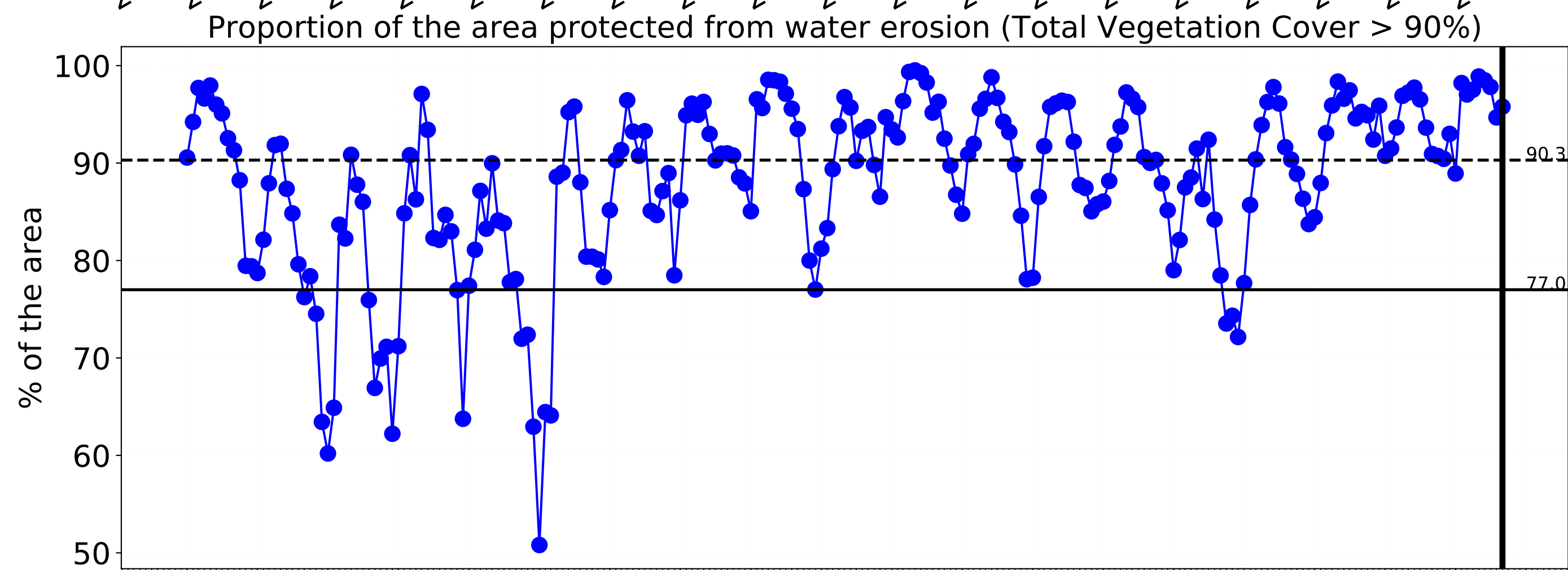
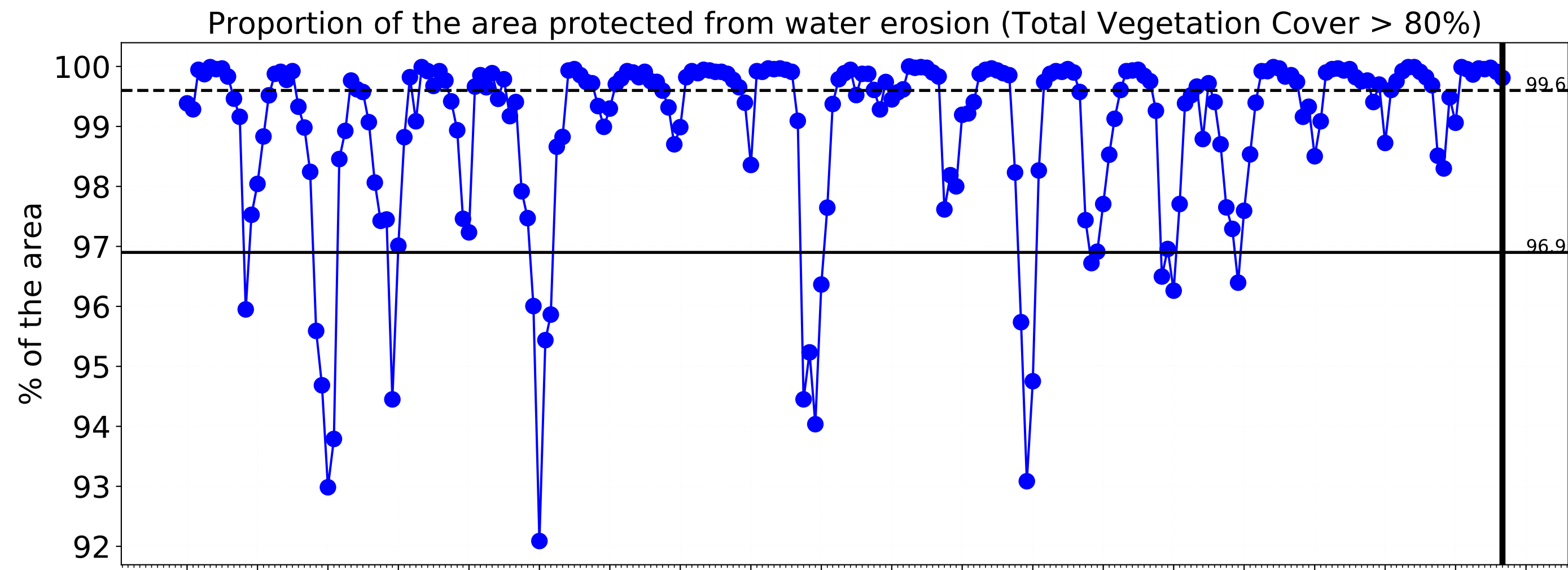


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

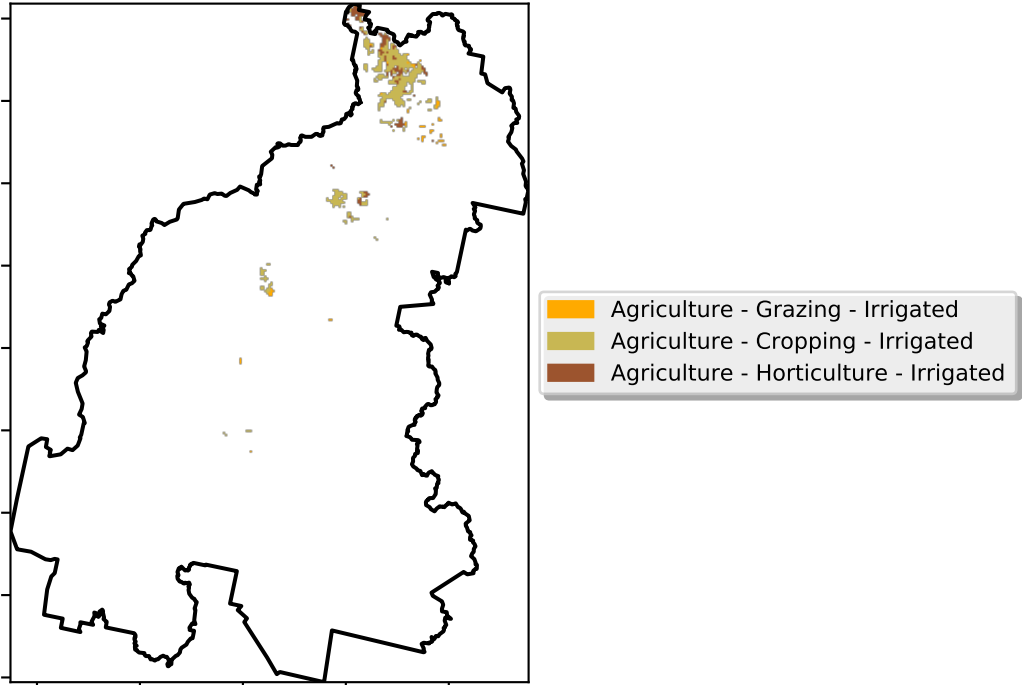




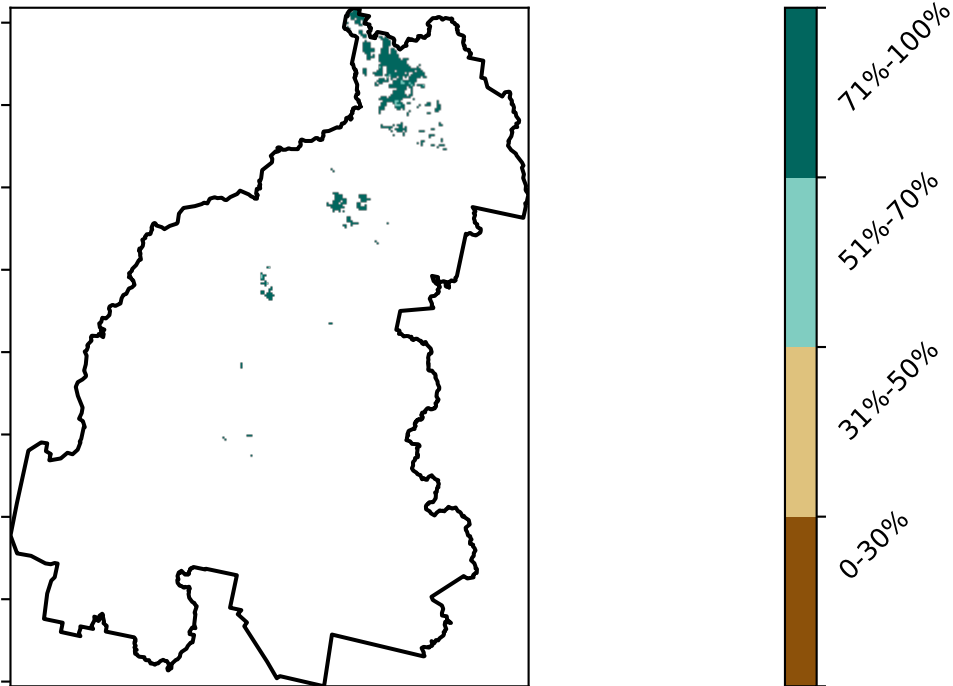
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Land use and forest cover

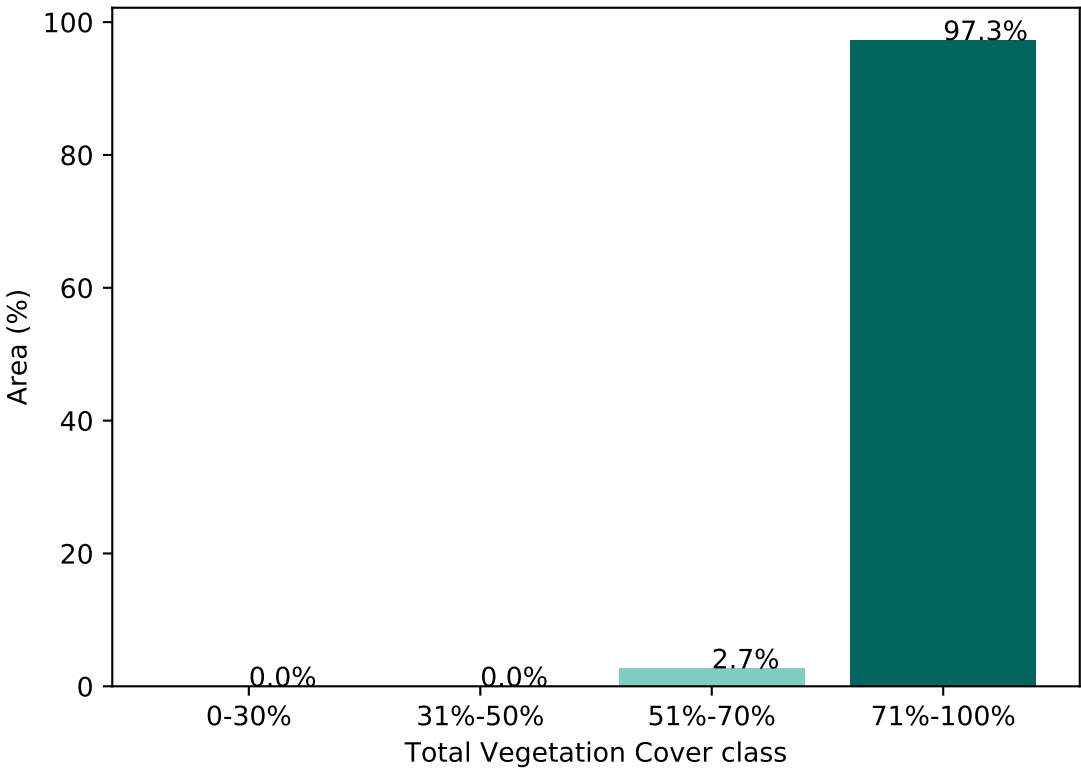
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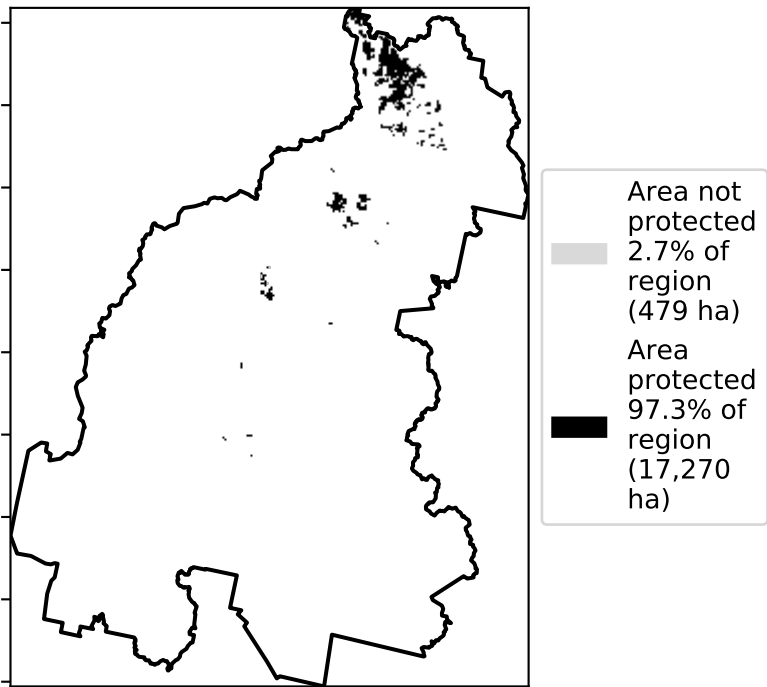
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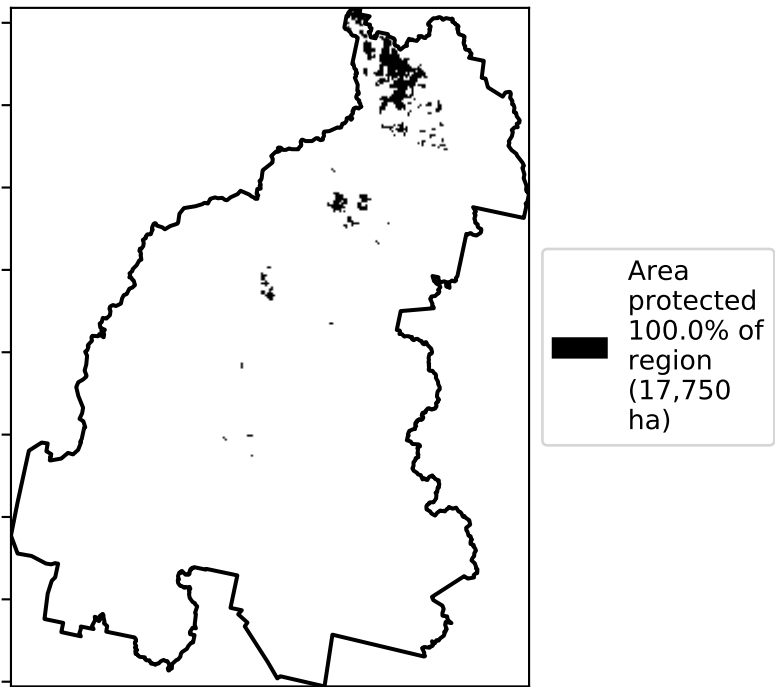
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

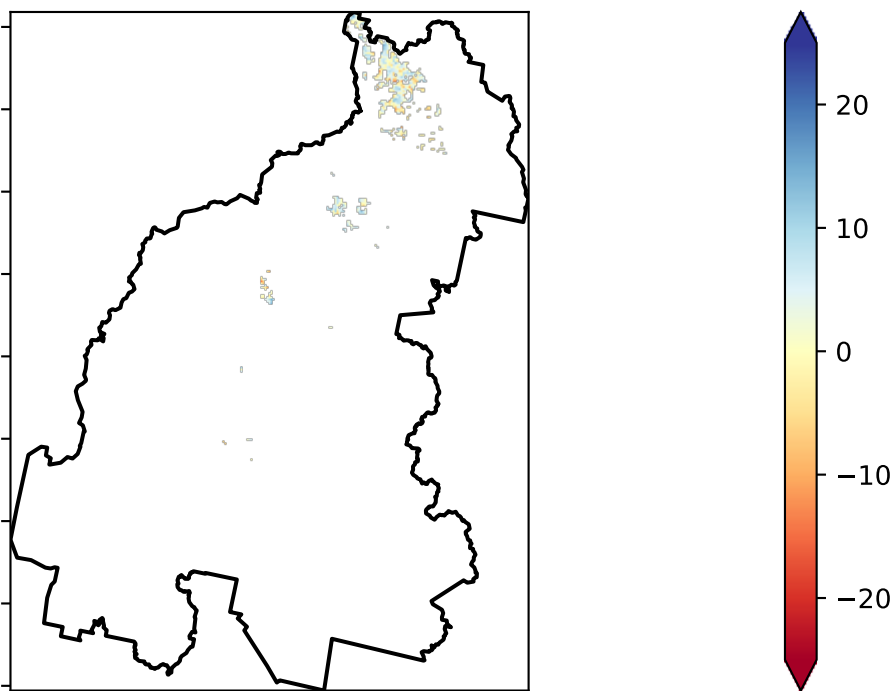


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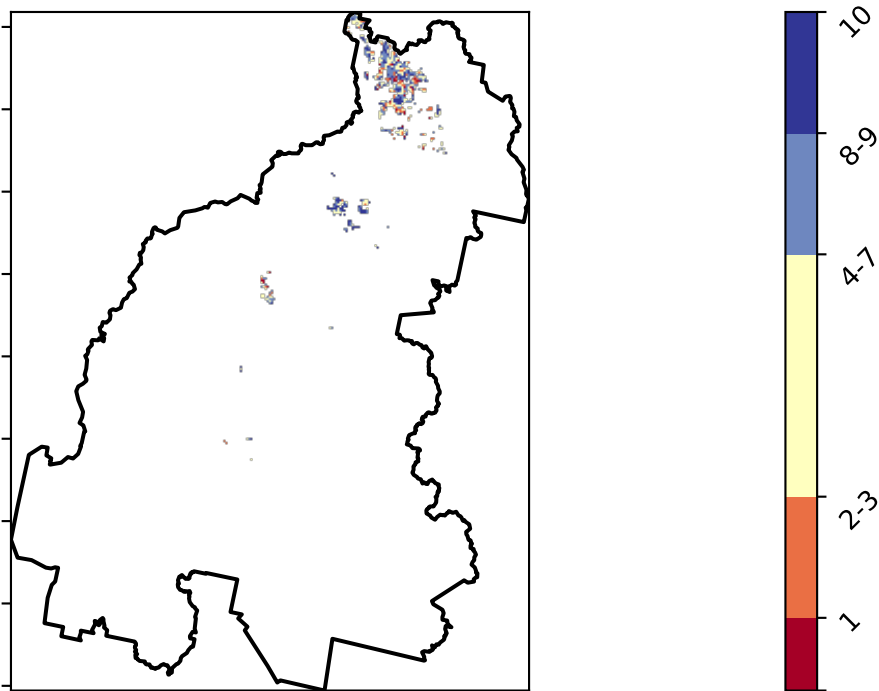
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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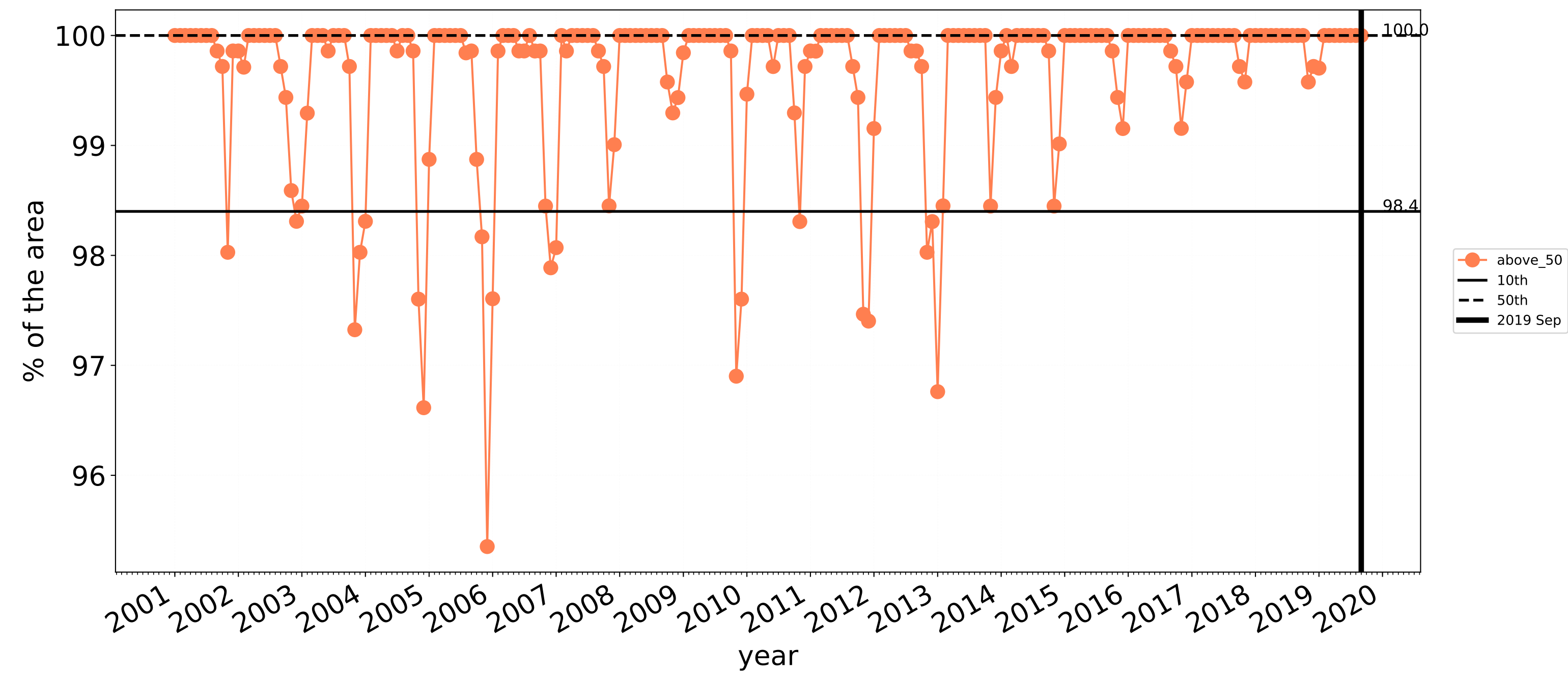
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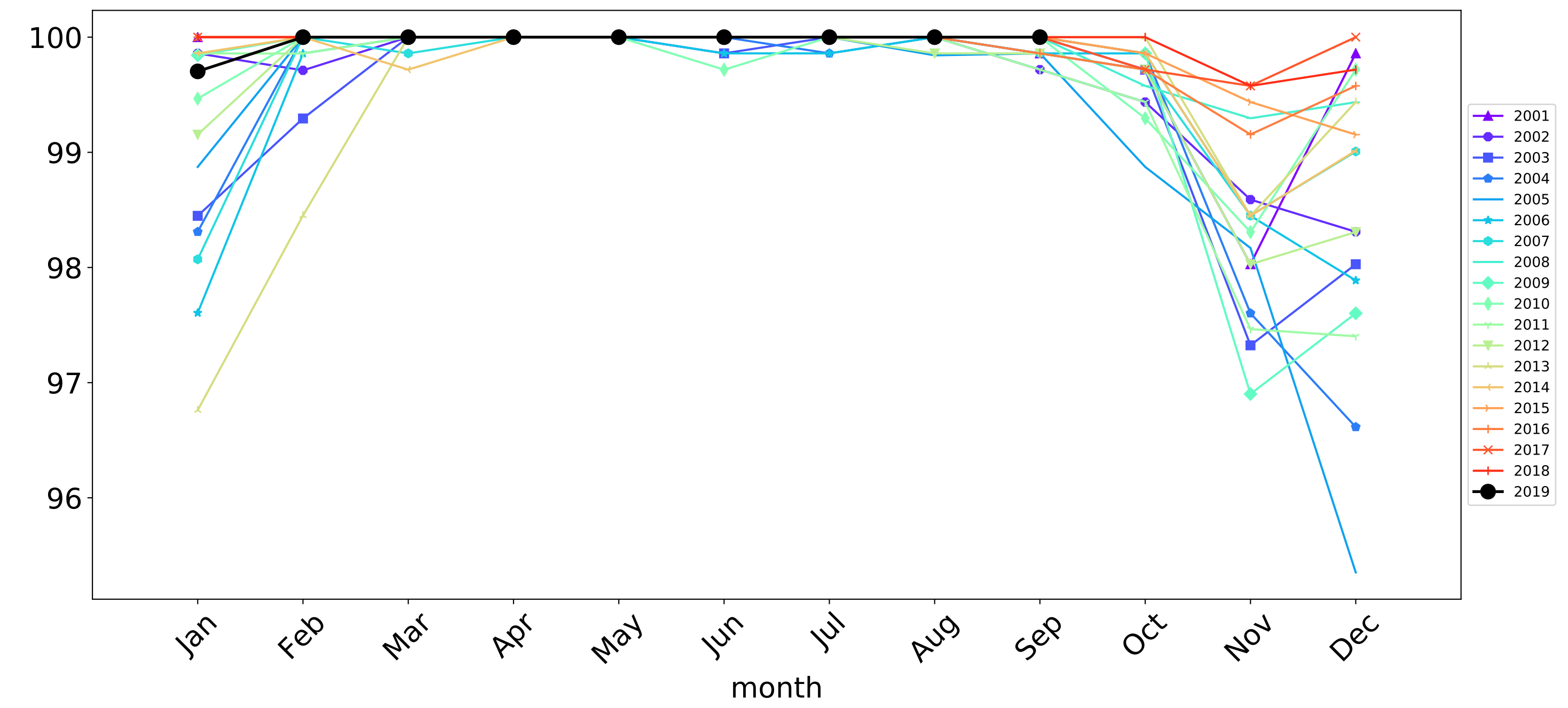
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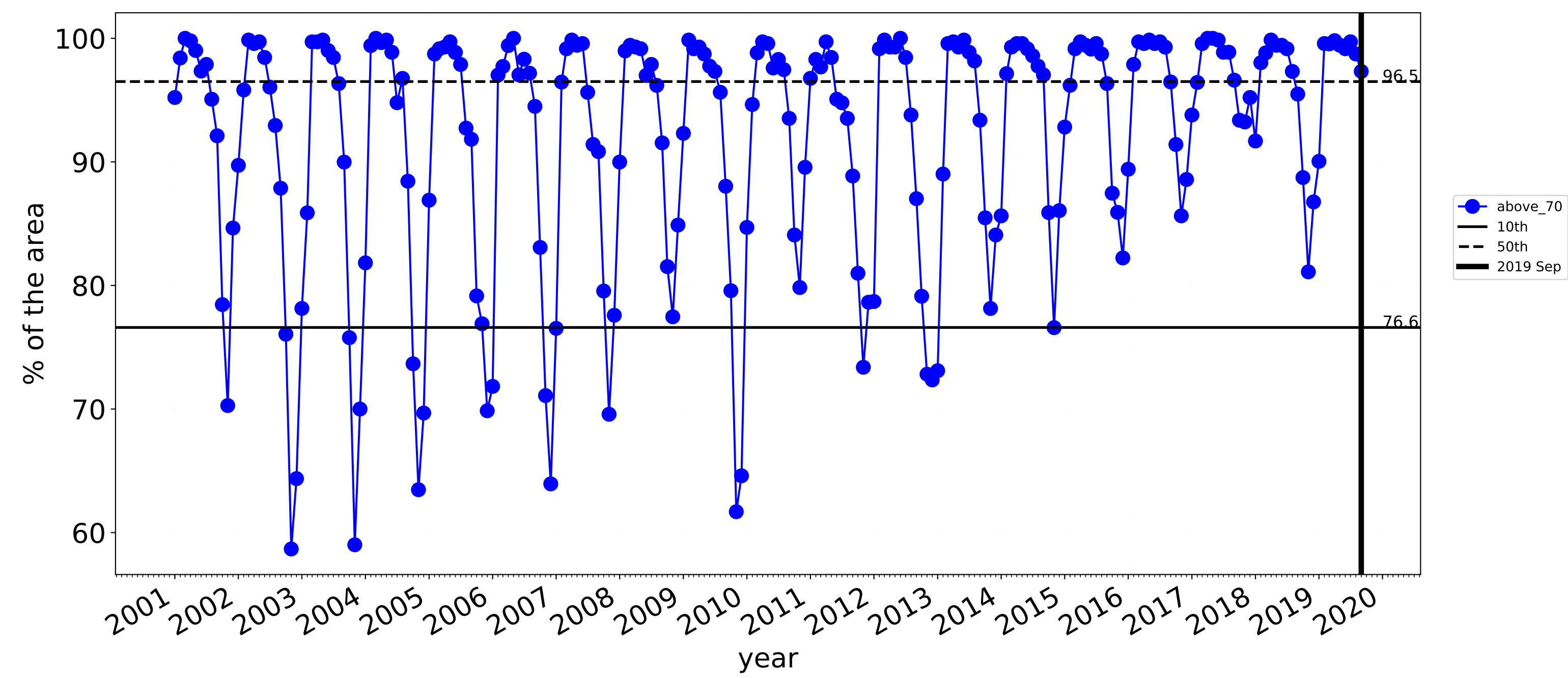
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



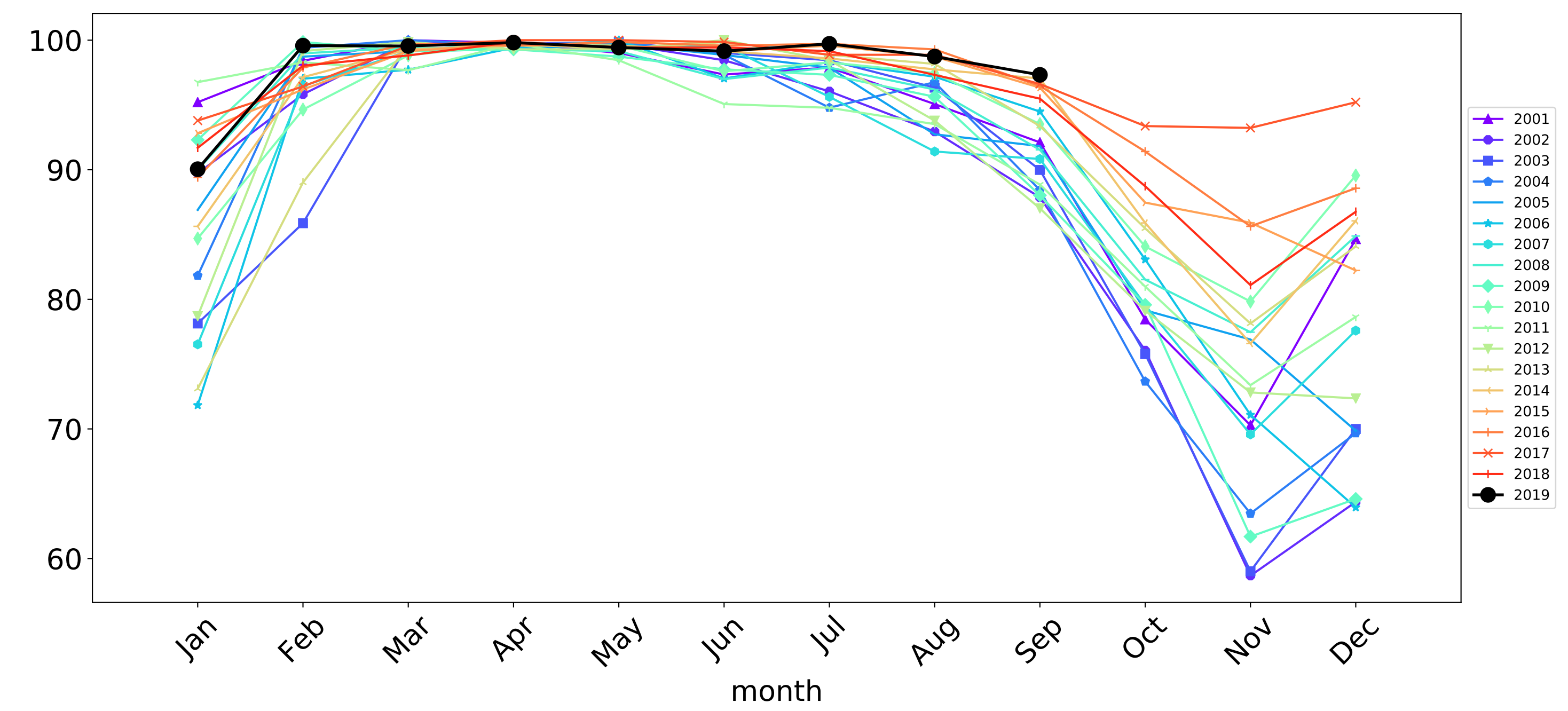
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

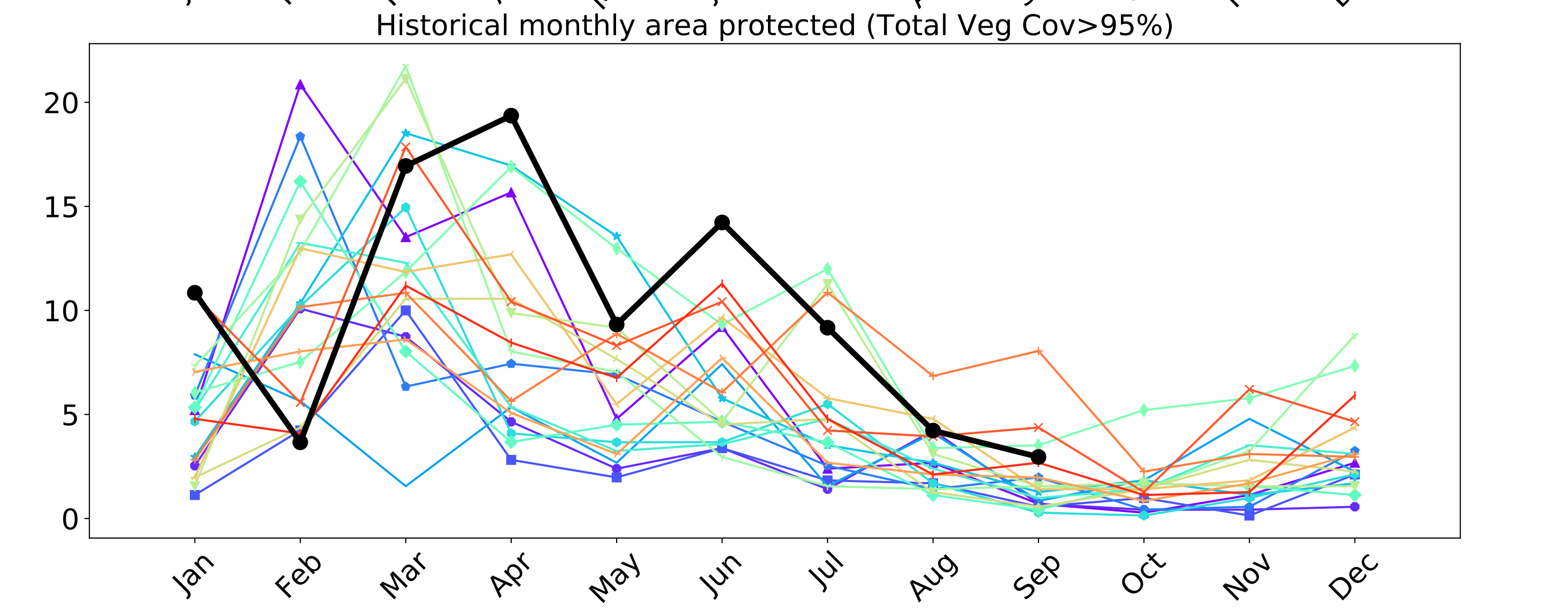
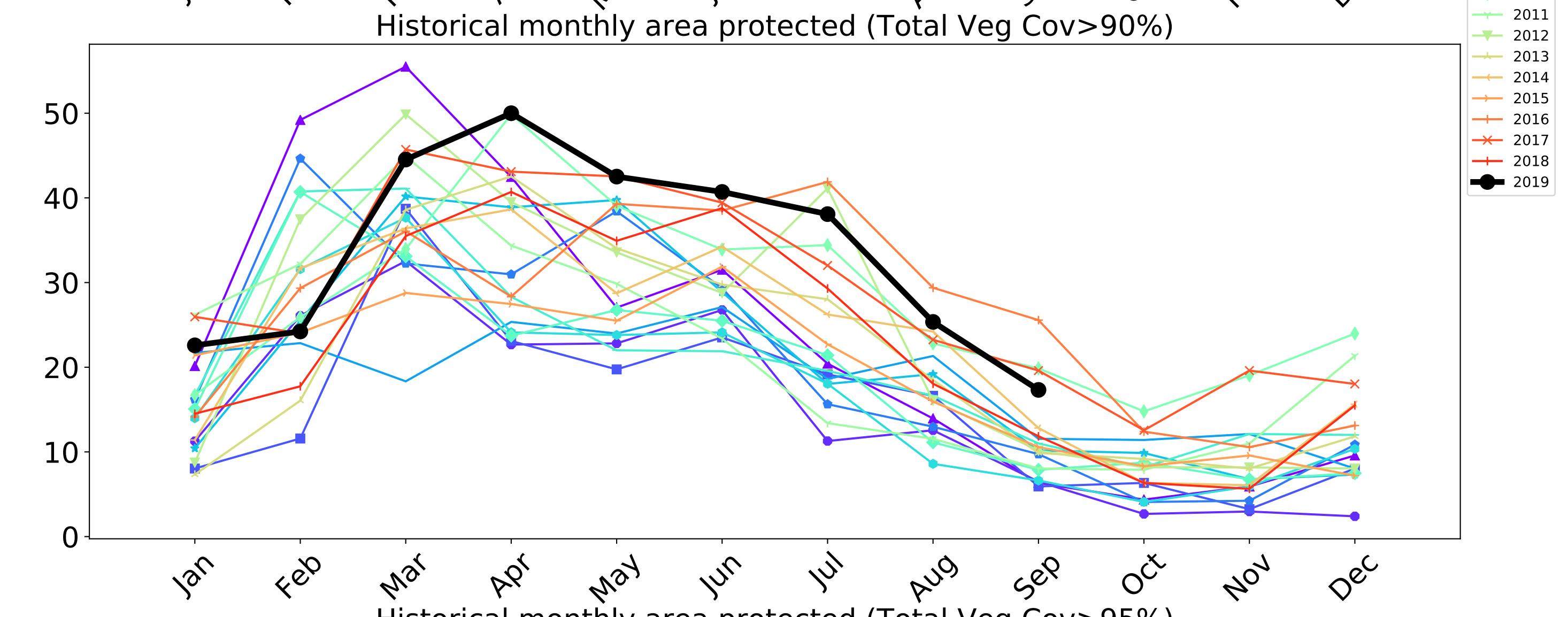
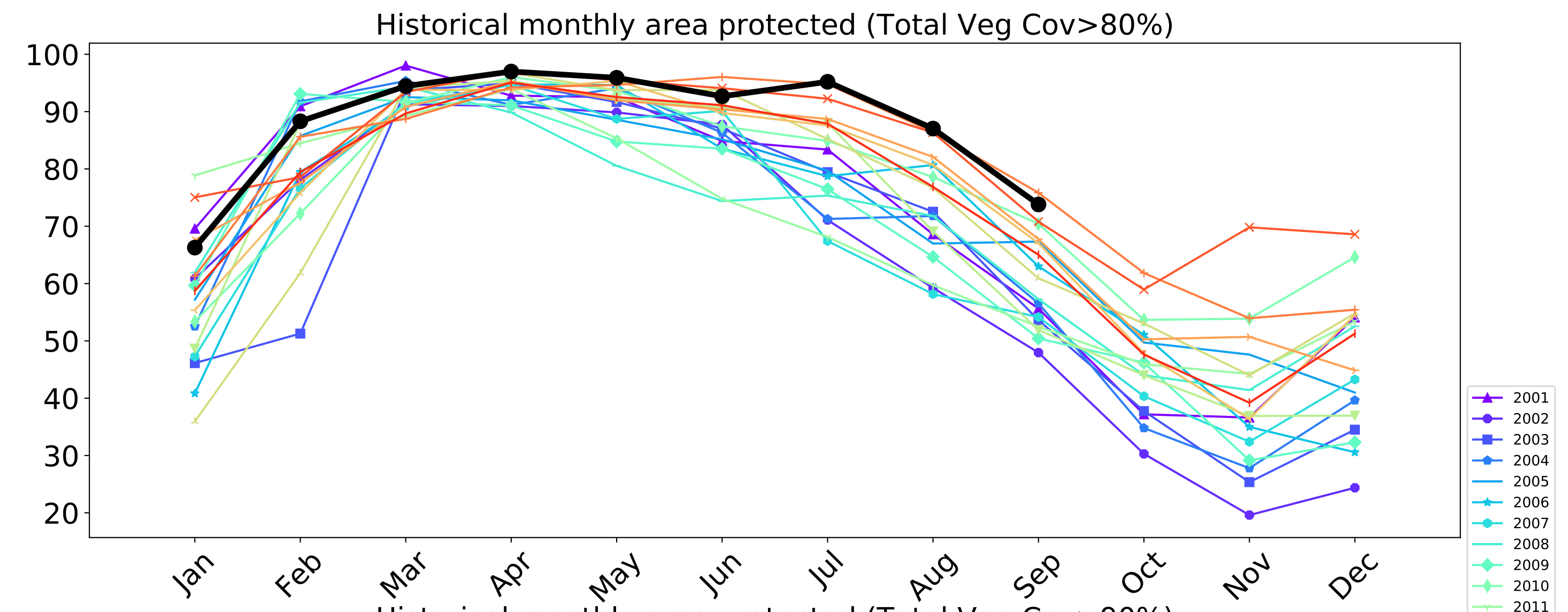
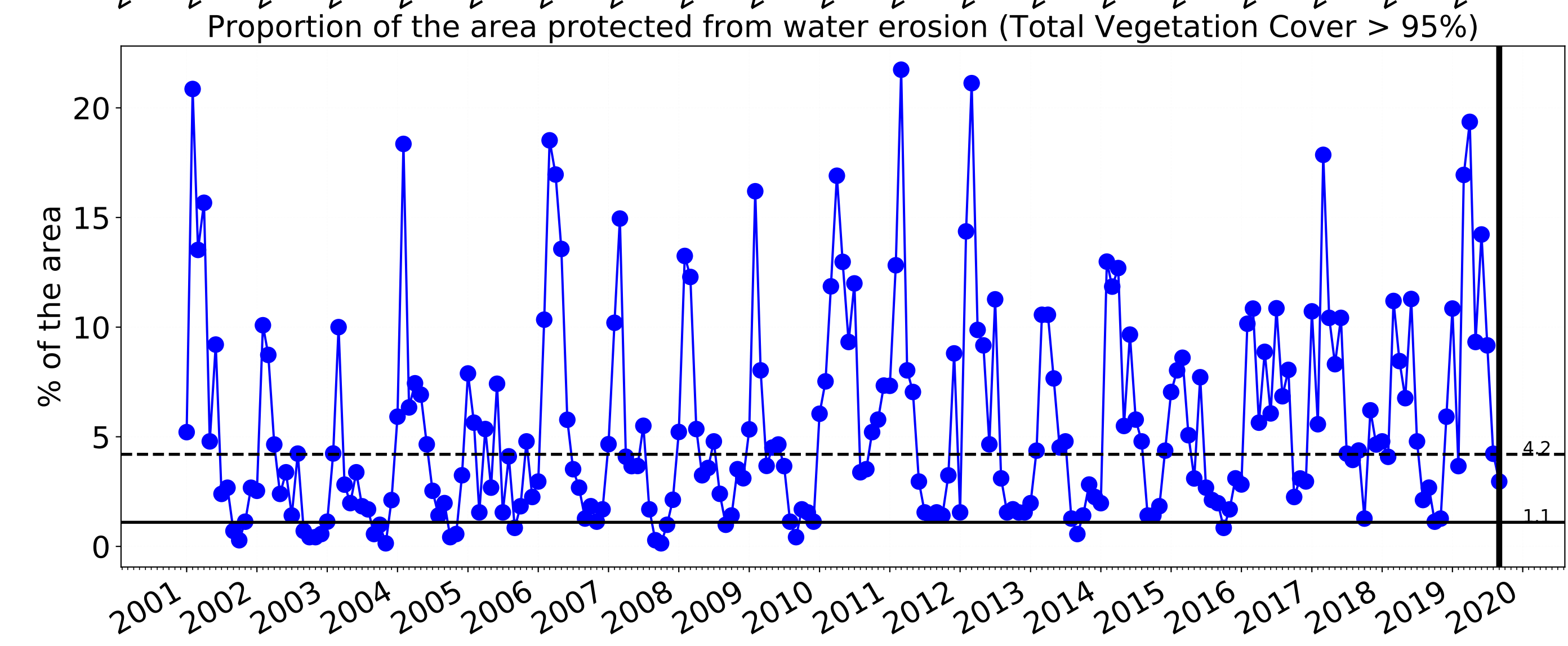
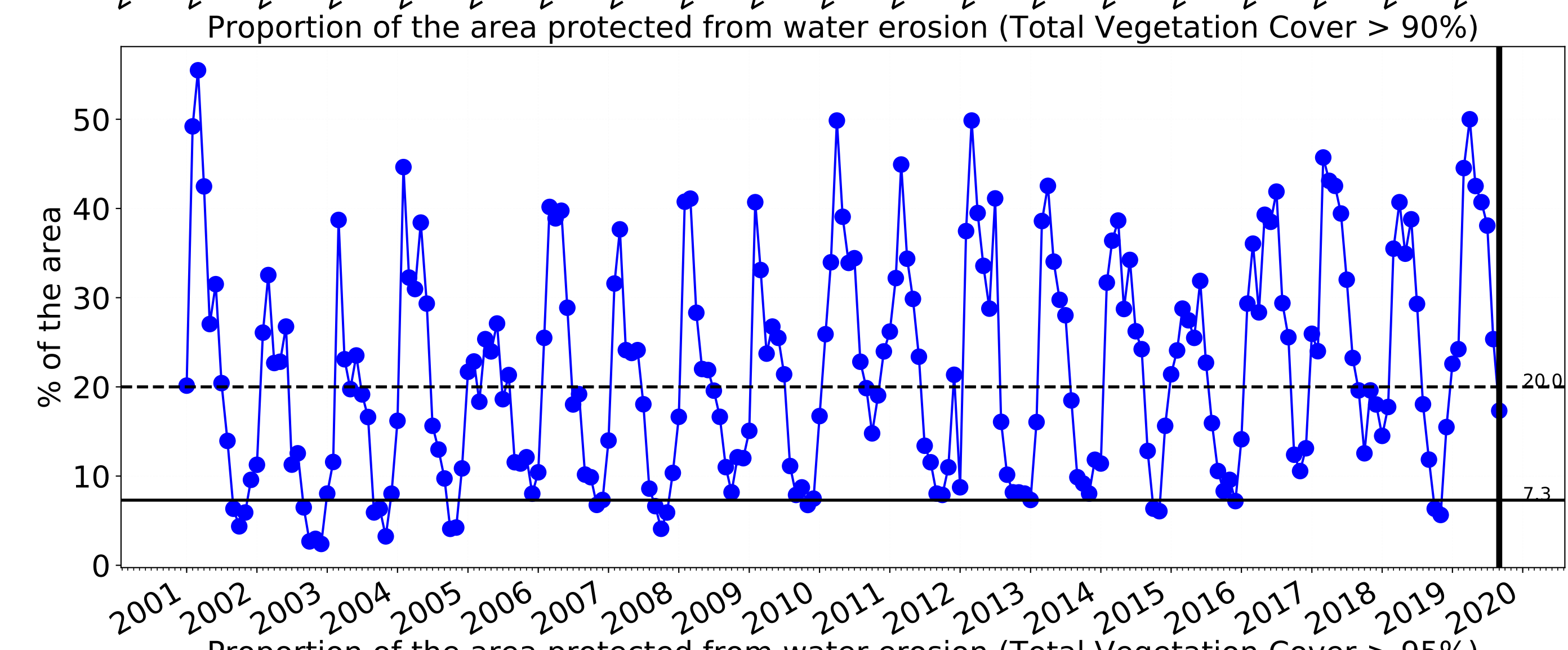
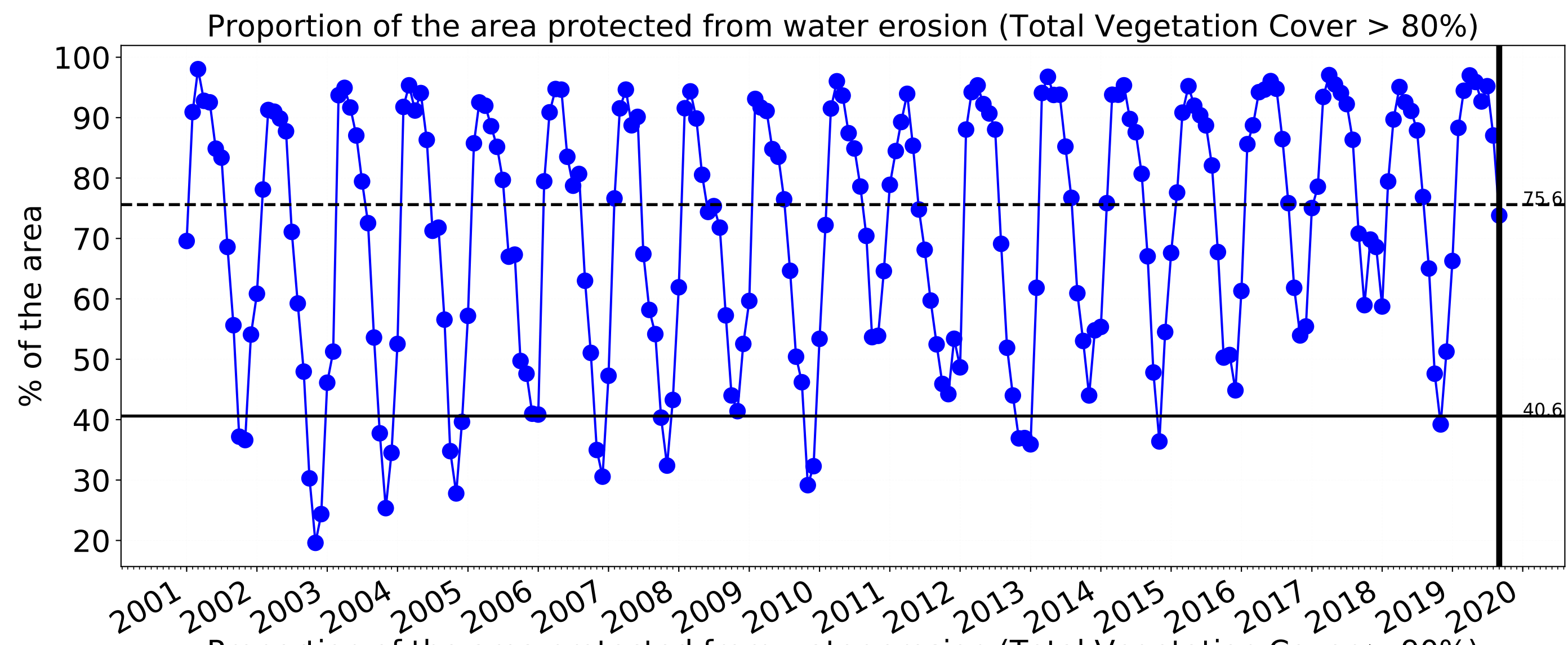


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

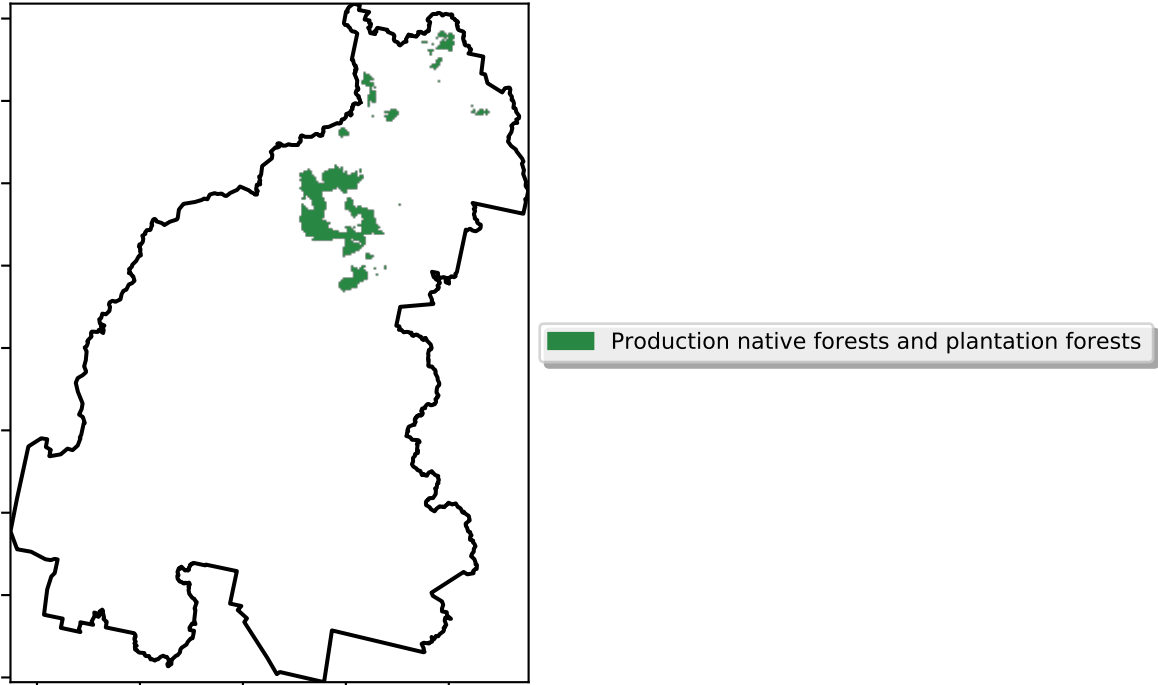




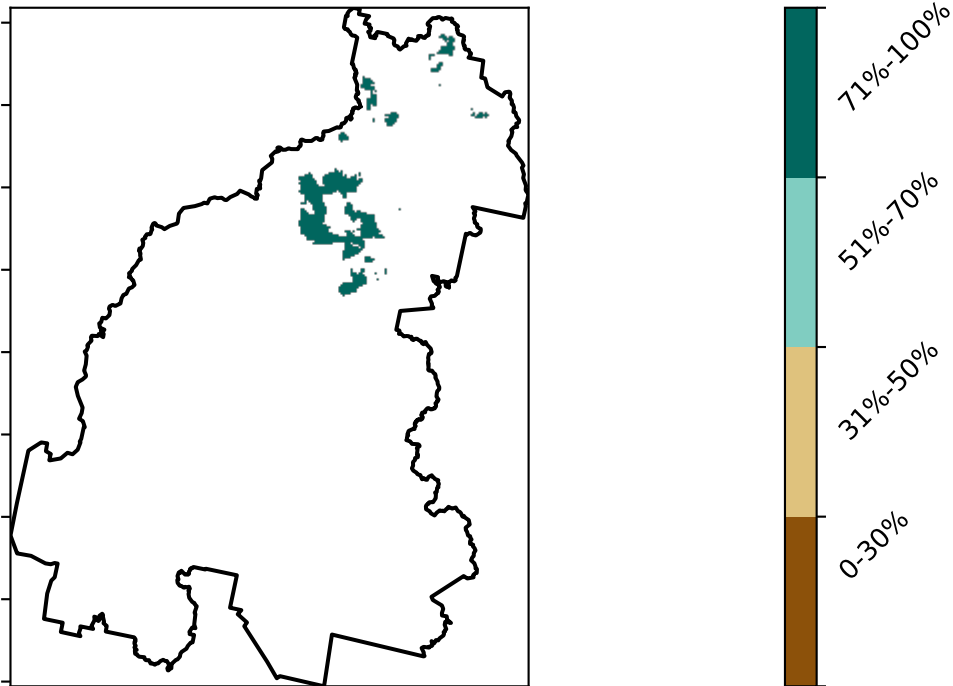
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Land use and forest cover

Landuse map of area based on 2015 catchment scale landuse and Australia's National Forest Inventory, where no forest is < 20% tree cover, sparse is 20 to 50% and dense > 50% tree cover.



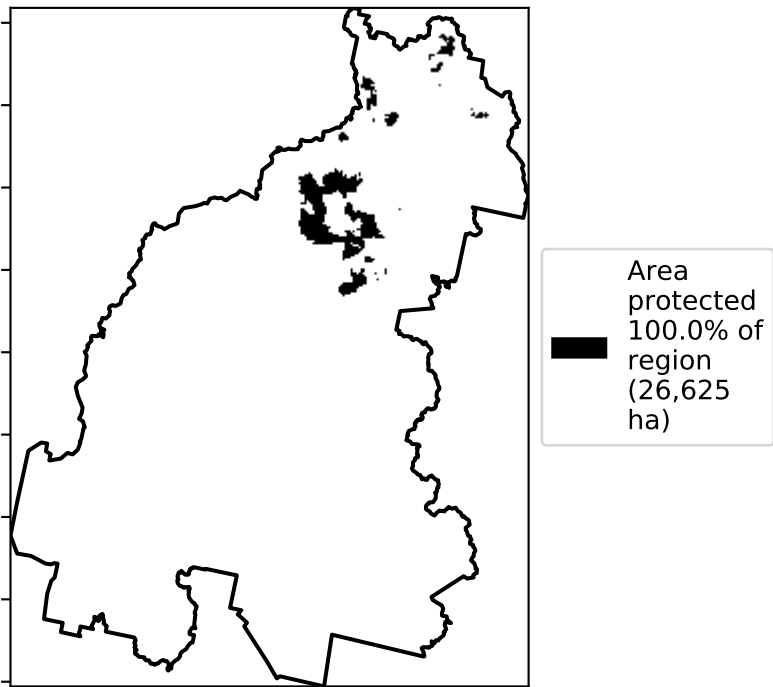
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



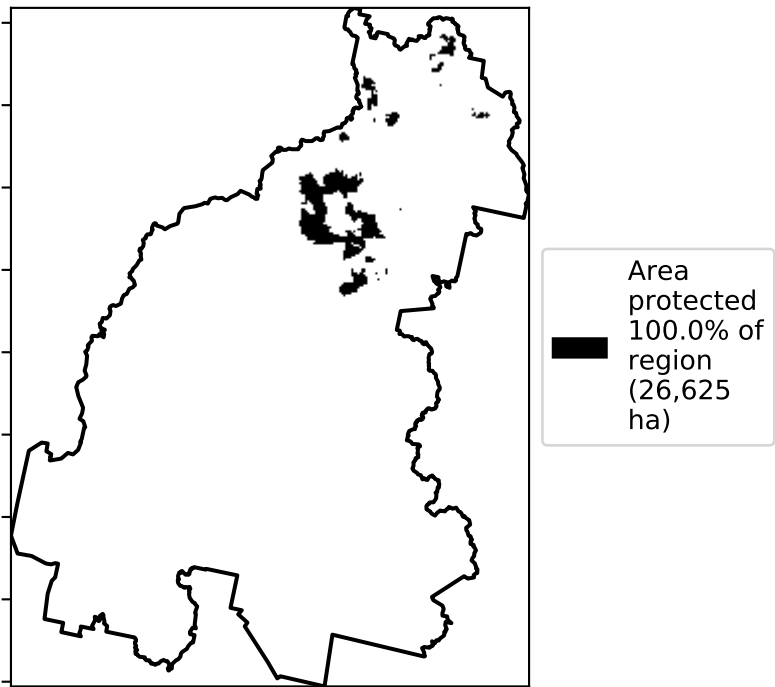
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

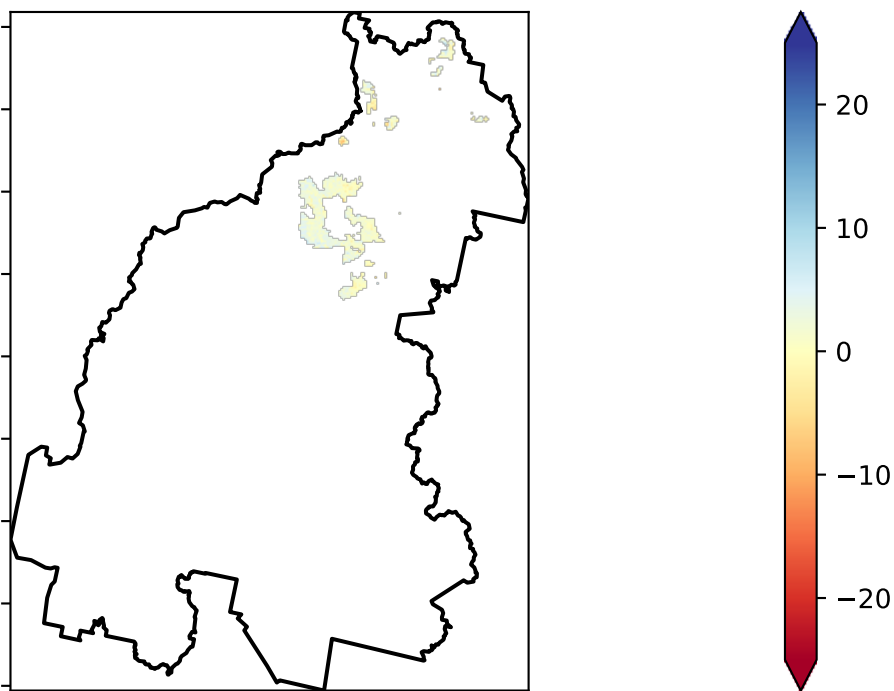


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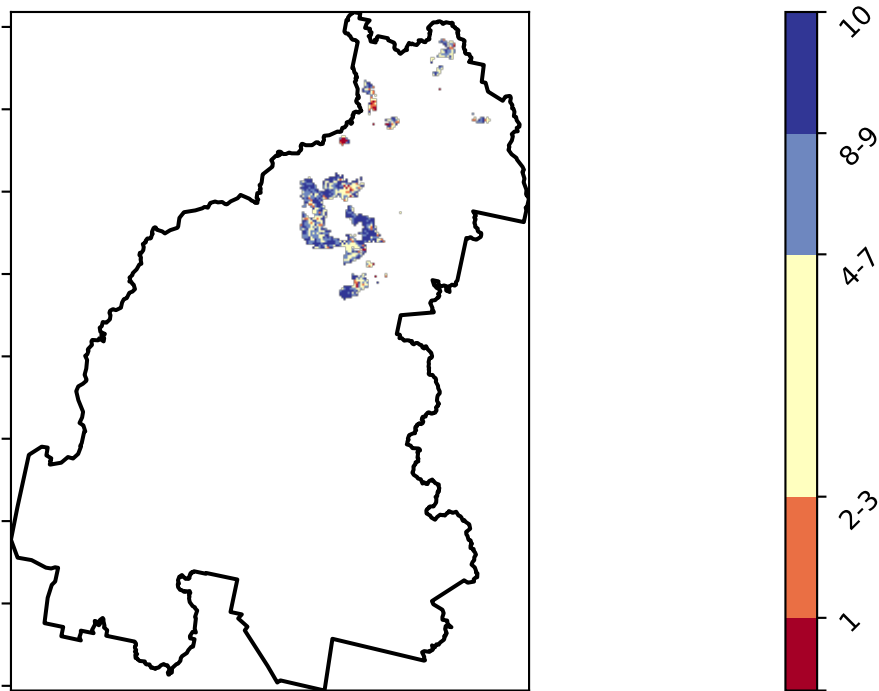
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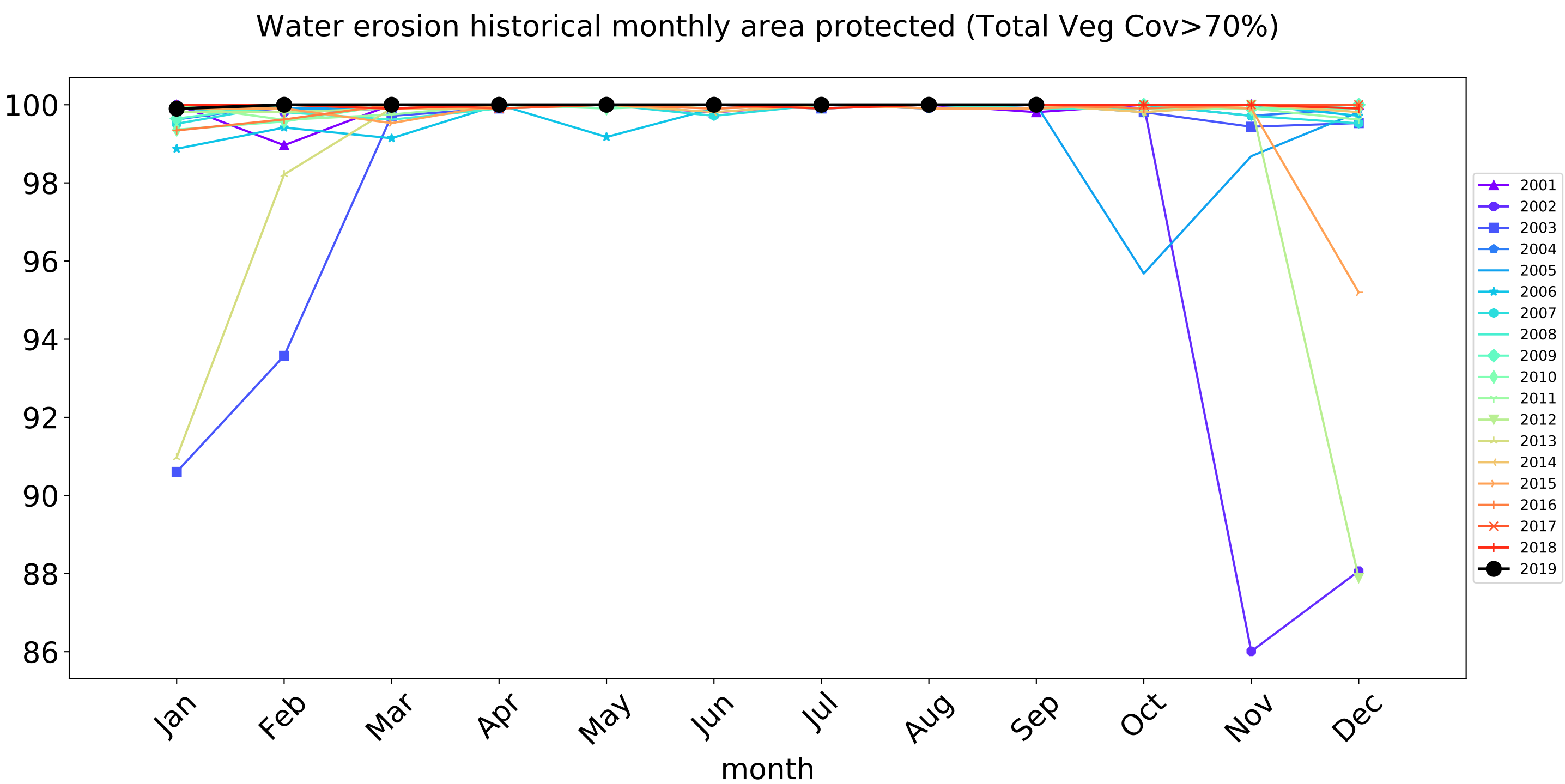
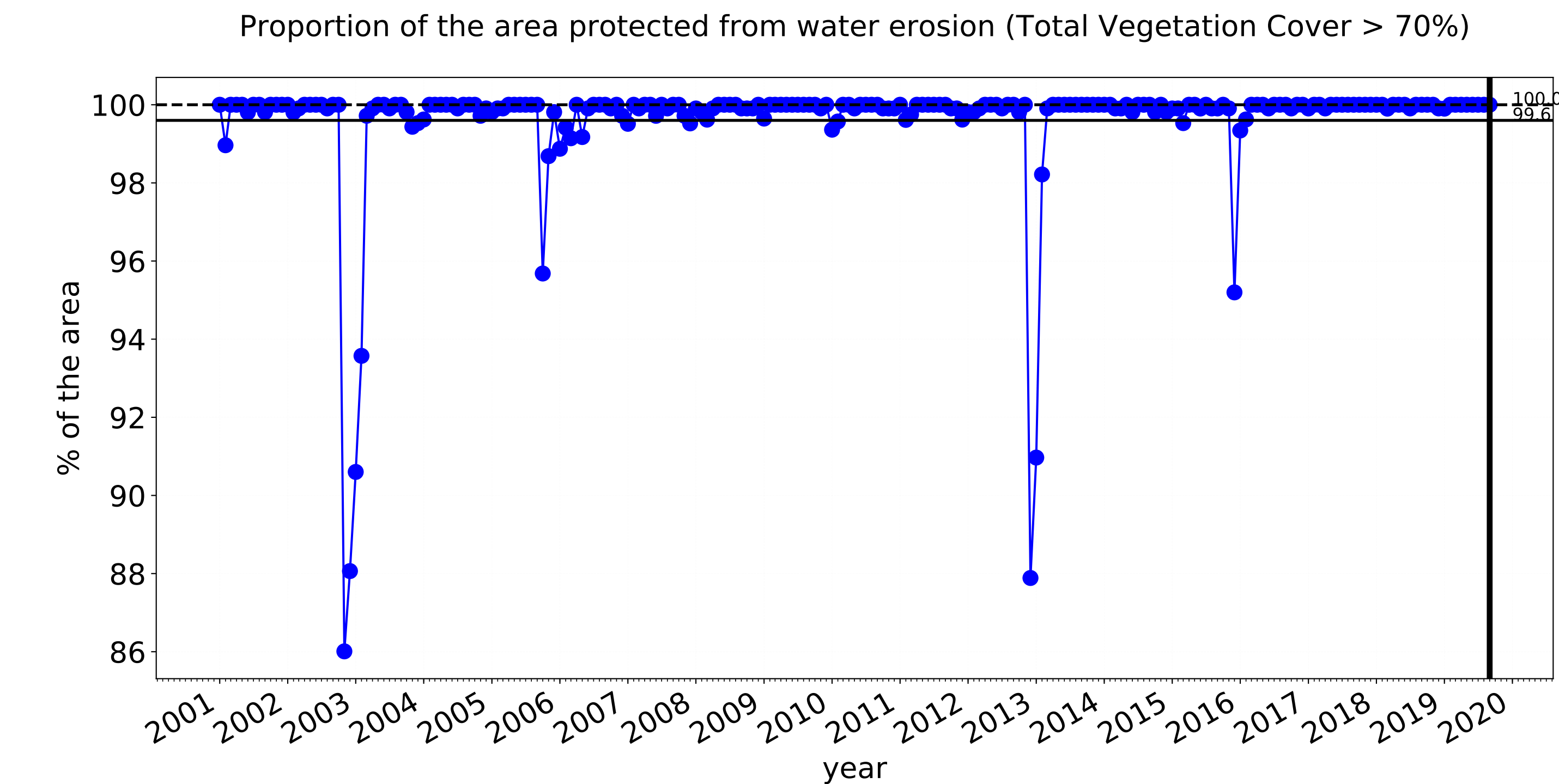
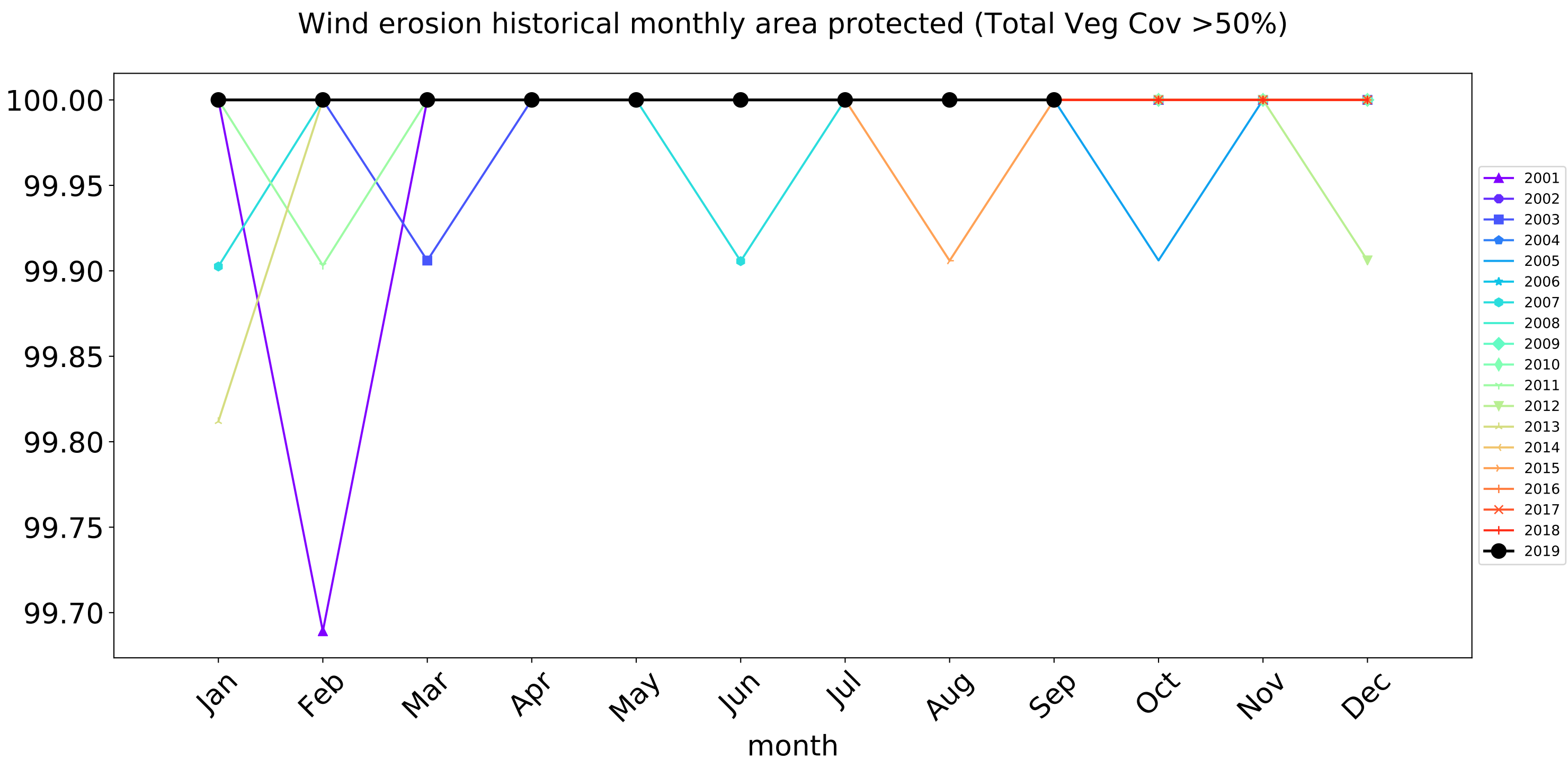
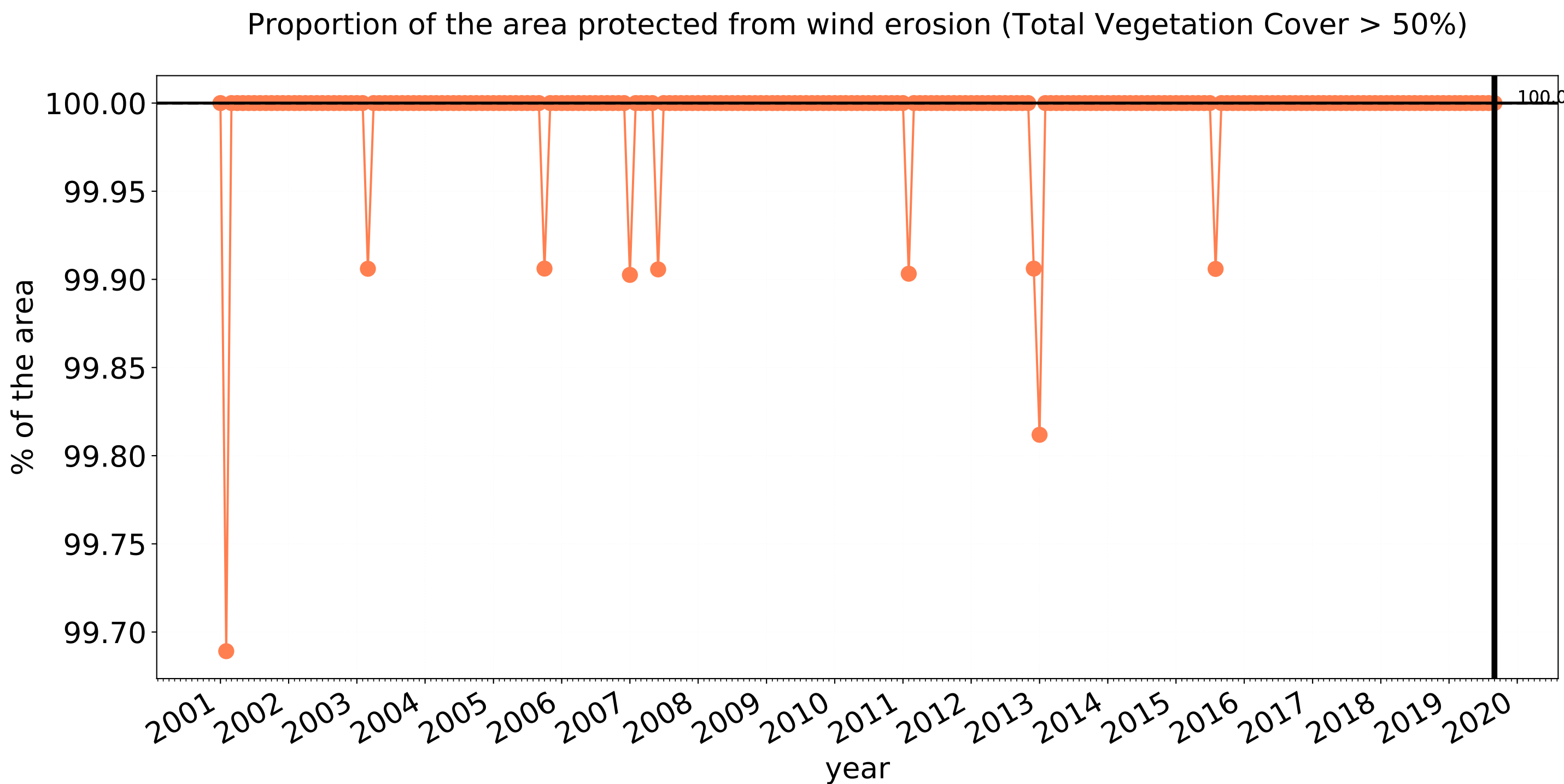


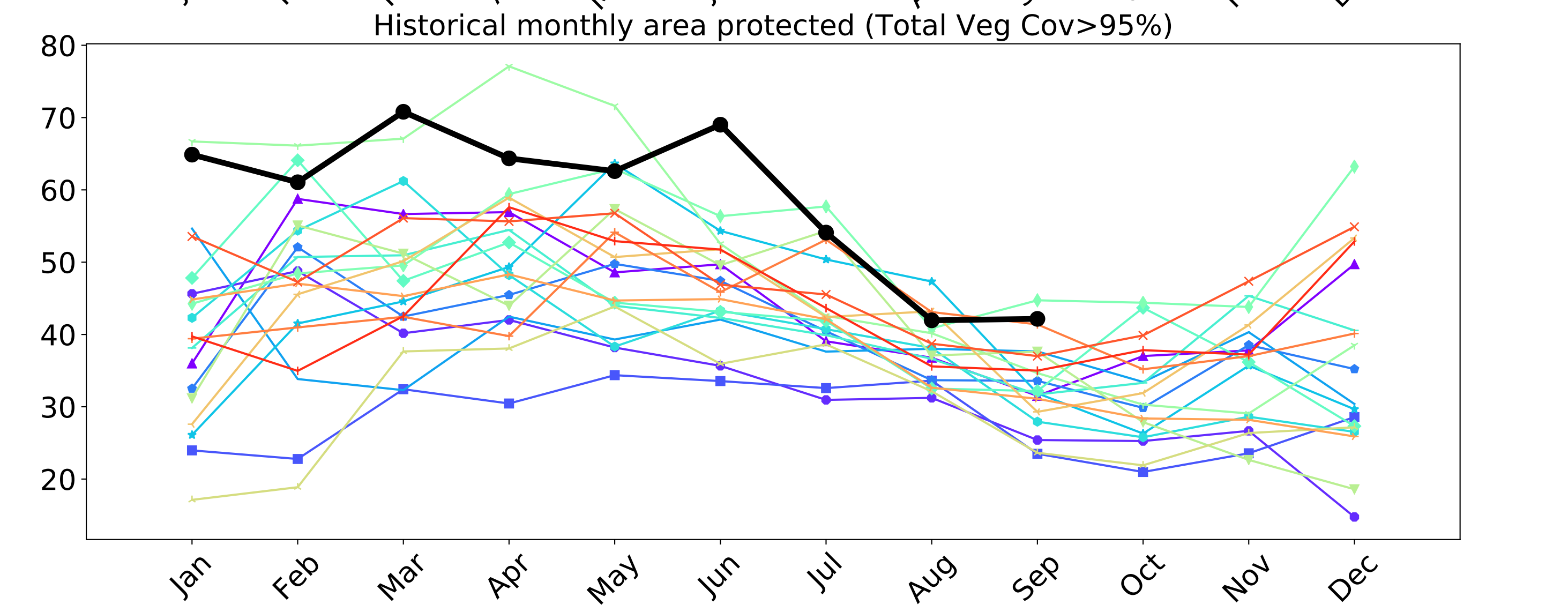
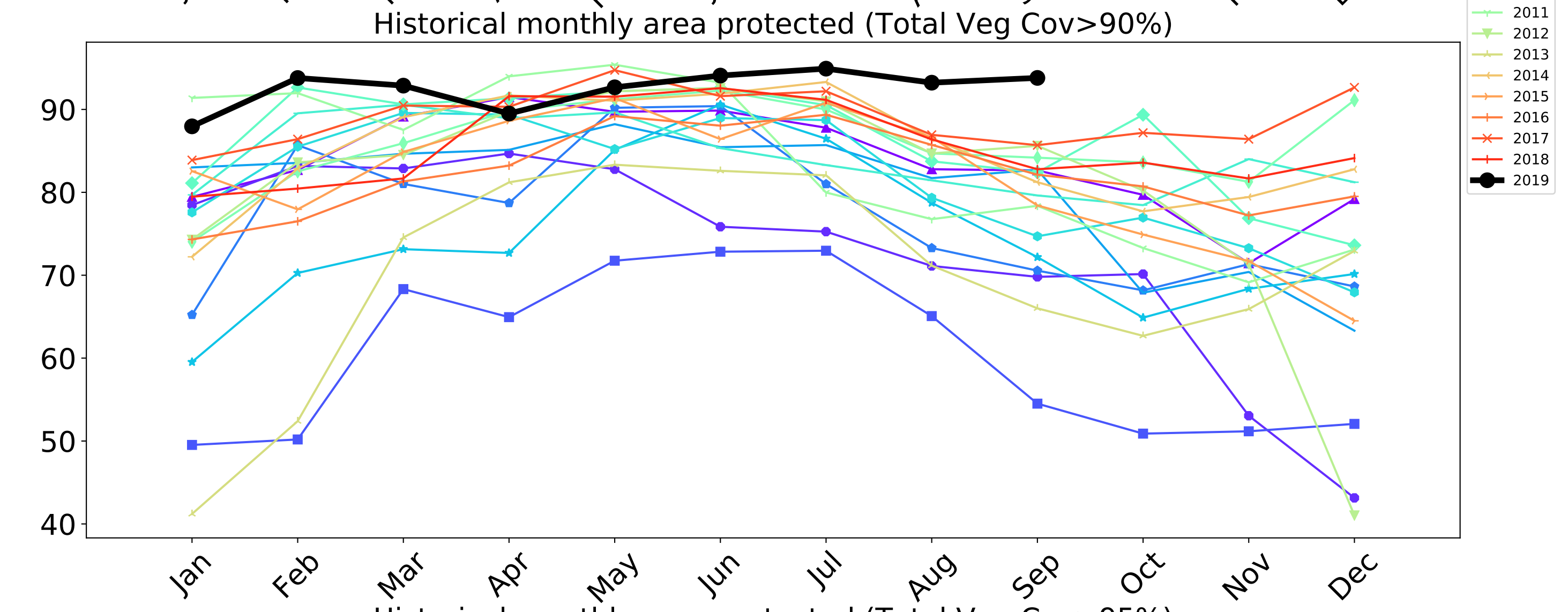
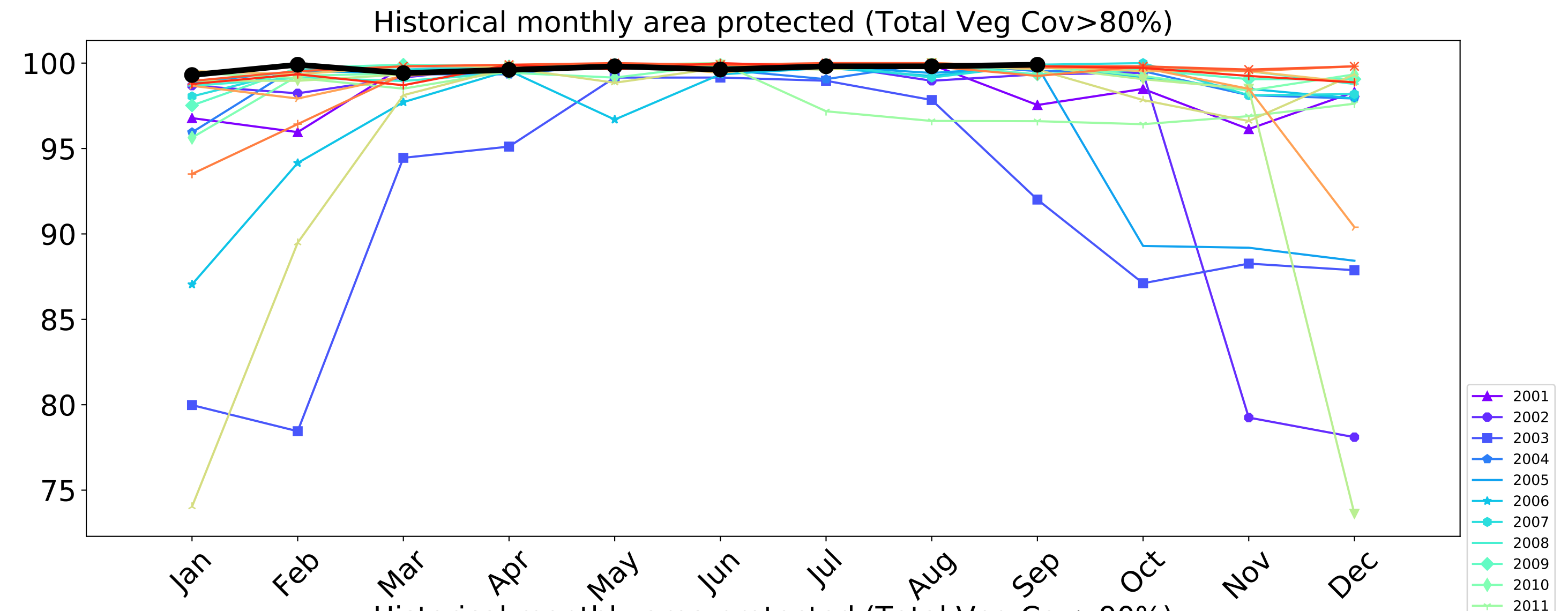
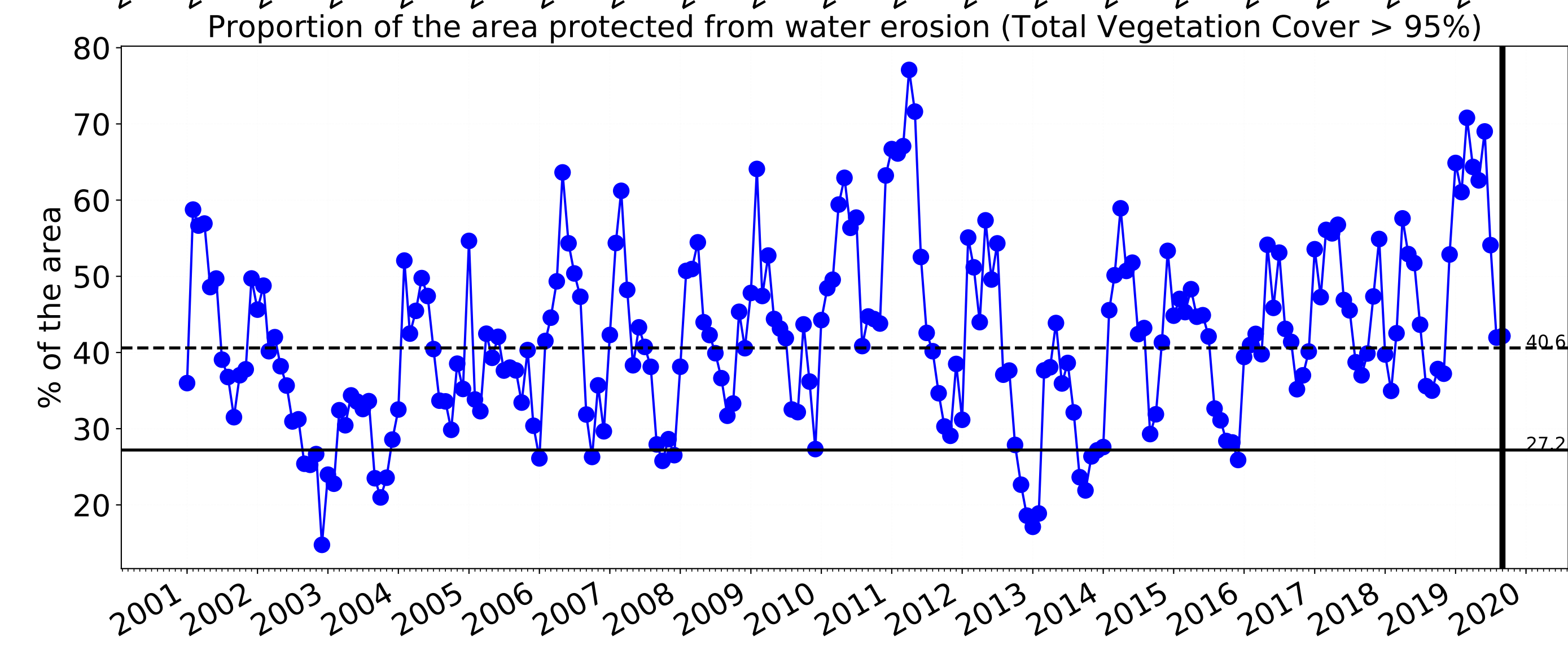
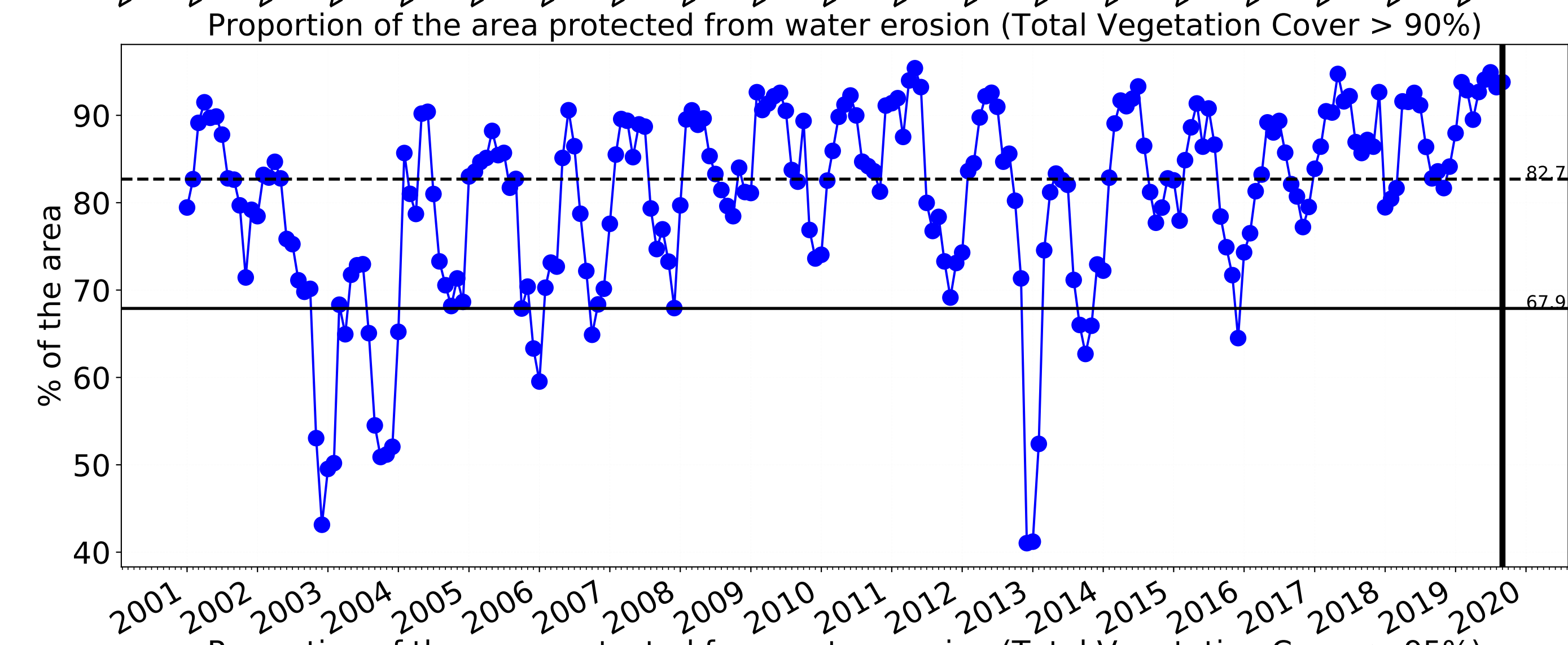
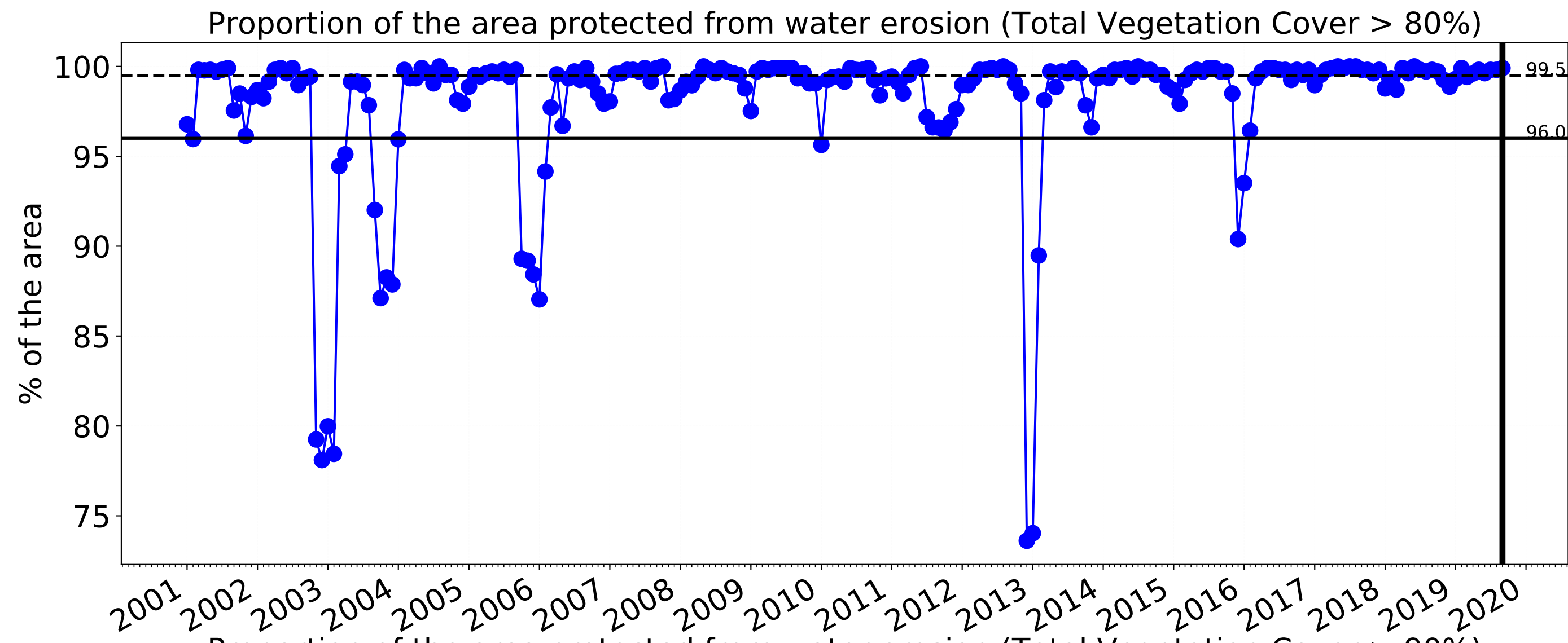
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Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries





Tablelands_(R) (1,125,450 ha and no data 2,836 ha) Percentage area and hectares protected with TVC threshold 30,50,70,80,90 and 95%

Land use and forest cover Class	area(ha)	above_30	above_50	above_70	above_80	above_90	above_95
Entire region	1,125,450	100.0% 1,125,400	100.0% 1,125,250	99.5% 1,120,275	97.0% 1,091,775	76.1% 855,975	26.7% 300,050
Conservation and natural environments	327,505	100.0% 327,505	100.0% 327,505	100.0% 327,430	99.8% 326,830	87.7% 287,337	31.4% 102,886
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	57,397	100.0% 57,397	100.0% 57,397	100.0% 57,372	99.5% 57,121	83.4% 47,844	30.9% 17,724
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	267,857	100.0% 267,857	100.0% 267,857	100.0% 267,832	99.9% 267,507	88.7% 237,689	31.6% 84,578
Agriculture	743,922	100.0% 743,922	100.0% 743,922	99.4% 739,635	96.0% 714,139	71.0% 528,020	24.4% 181,681
Grazing	722,538	100.0% 722,538	100.0% 722,538	99.5% 718,743	96.5% 697,516	72.3% 522,438	25.0% 180,347
Grazing non forest	119,297	100.0% 119,297	100.0% 119,297	99.0% 118,145	94.9% 113,185	52.8% 63,005	12.7% 15,206
Grazing Woodland forest	380,402	100.0% 380,402	100.0% 380,402	99.3% 377,755	95.1% 361,900	64.6% 245,844	18.2% 69,164
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	222,839	100.0% 222,839	100.0% 222,839	100.0% 222,839	99.8% 222,415	95.8% 213,438	43.0% 95,872
Irrigation	16,881	100.0% 16,881	100.0% 16,881	97.3% 16,429	73.8% 12,459	17.3% 2,924	3.0% 499
Production native forests and plantation forests	27,010	100.0% 27,010	100.0% 27,010	100.0% 27,010	99.9% 26,985	93.8% 25,336	42.2% 11,387



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