

LGA Irwin_(S) (WA) - Vegetation cover soil protection report Aug 2019

This report provides information about vegetation covering the soil surface for a region during a single month with comparison to previous years. Vegetation cover indicates where soil is likely to be protected from wind and or water (hillslope) erosion. Results are shown for the whole region (polygon) and also separated by land use and tree cover. Different land uses are likely to have different cover patterns and targets. Reporting is most reliable with less than 20% tree cover.

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- Context
 - o Map: Land use and forest cover
 - o Chart: Land use and forest cover area
- Total vegetation cover for this month
 - o Map: vegetation cover classified into 4 classes
 - o Chart: vegetation cover area classified into 4 classes
- Areas protected from erosion for the month
 - o Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover)
 - o Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover)
- 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
 - o Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month in the archive (orange lines)
 - o Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month of the archive (blue lines).
 - o Rainfall: millimetres rainfall each month (black lines)
- Time series stacked by year
 - o Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month in the archive (orange lines)
in case of 5th percentile is less than 80
 - o Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month of the archive (blue lines).
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- 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

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 pixels. Pixels with greater than or equal to 50% vegetation cover are generally considered to be protected from or have reduced soil loss by wind erosion, and pixels with greater than or equal to 70% vegetation cover are generally considered to also be protected from or have reduced soil loss from water (hillslope) erosion. Report used baseline from 2001 to 2019 for each month to generate anomalies and deciles. And it used threshold of 1% to create land use forest cover reports. Higher cover thresholds may be required for erosion protection in some regions. This report will be less applicable in areas with sparse forest (20-50% tree cover) or dense forest (> 50% tree cover). Therefore land use classes are divided by tree cover: 1) No forest is when there is less than 20% tree cover 2) Sparse forest, is when there is less than 20 to 50 % tree cover 3) Dense forest is greater than 50% tree cover

Acknowledgment of data:

1. <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/aclump/land-use/alum-classification>
2. <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/forestsaustralia/sofr/sofr-2018>
3. <https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pastures-and-rangelands/establishment-mgmt/production-management2/groundcover>
4. MODIS Fractional cover algorithm:
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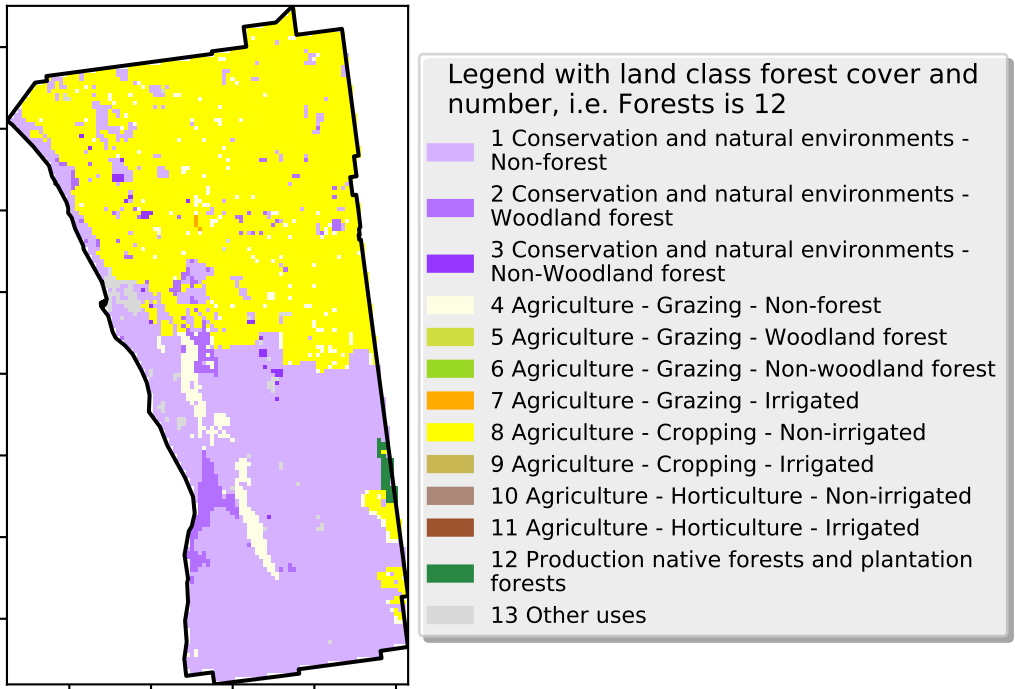


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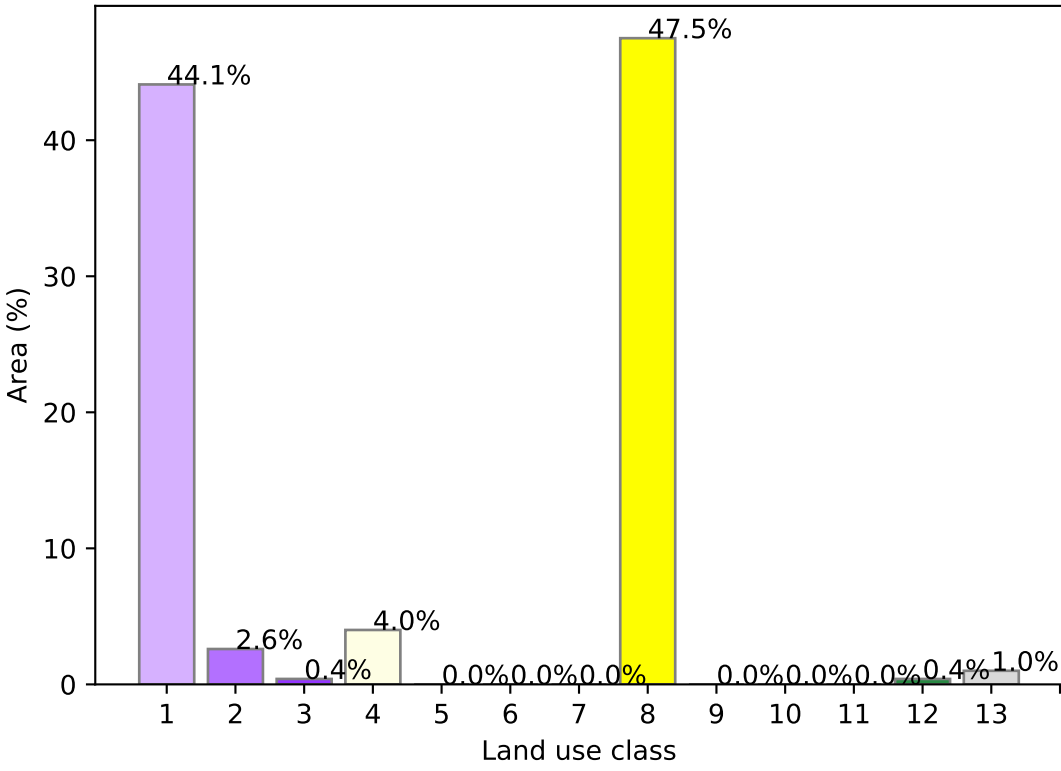
Vegetation Cover Aug 2019

Land use and forest cover

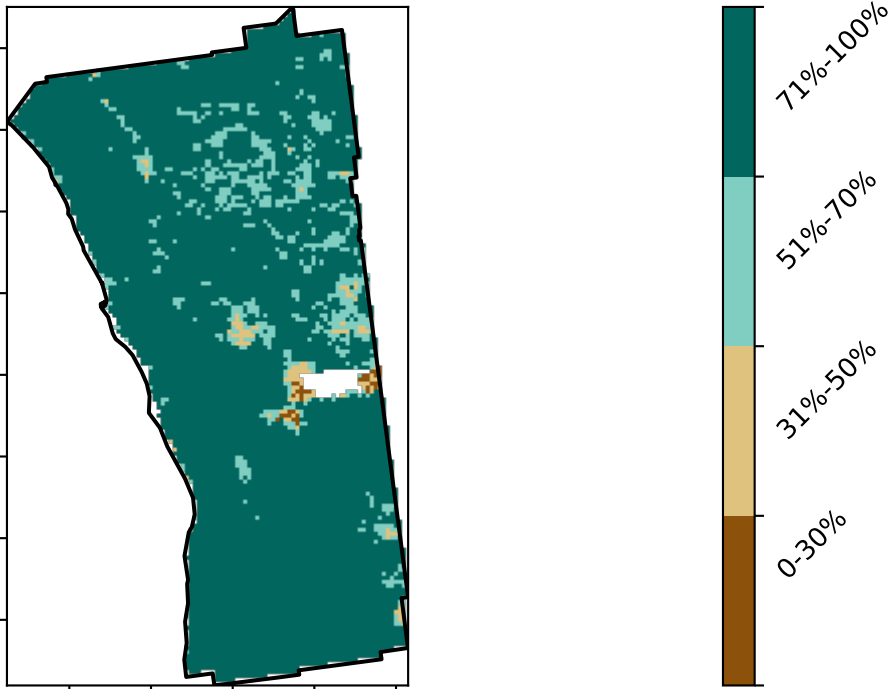
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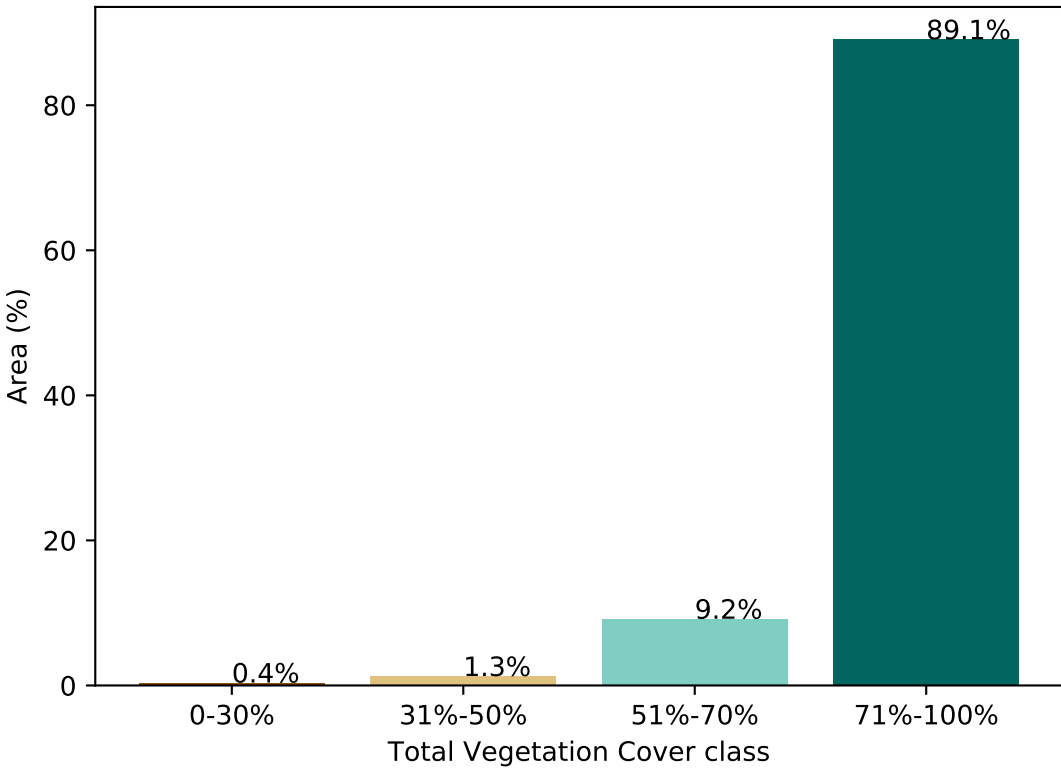
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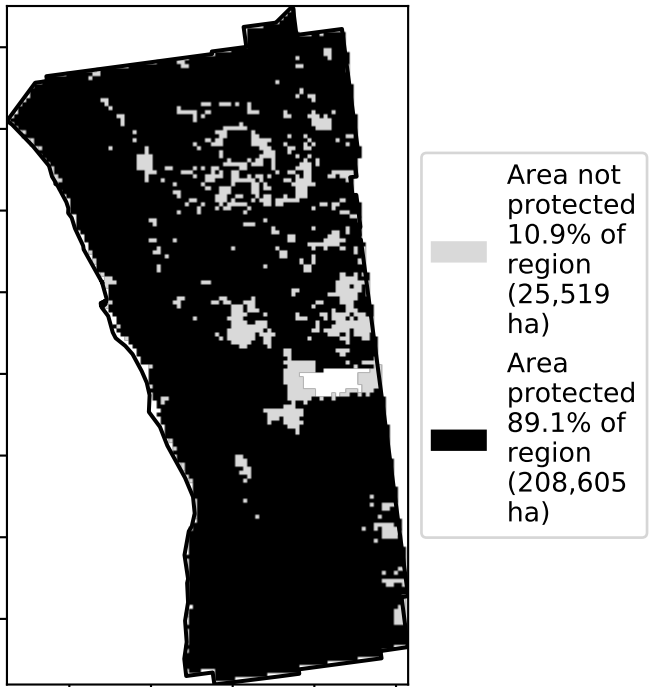
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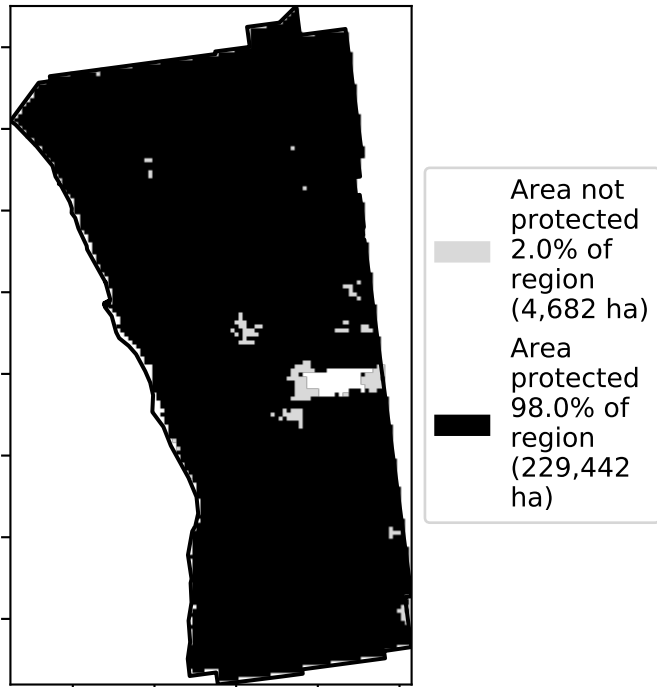
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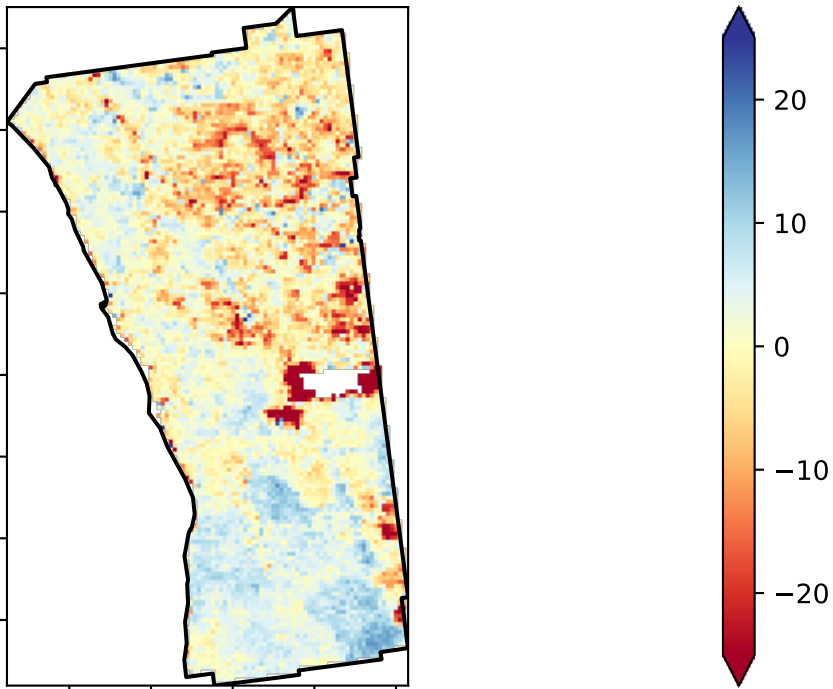


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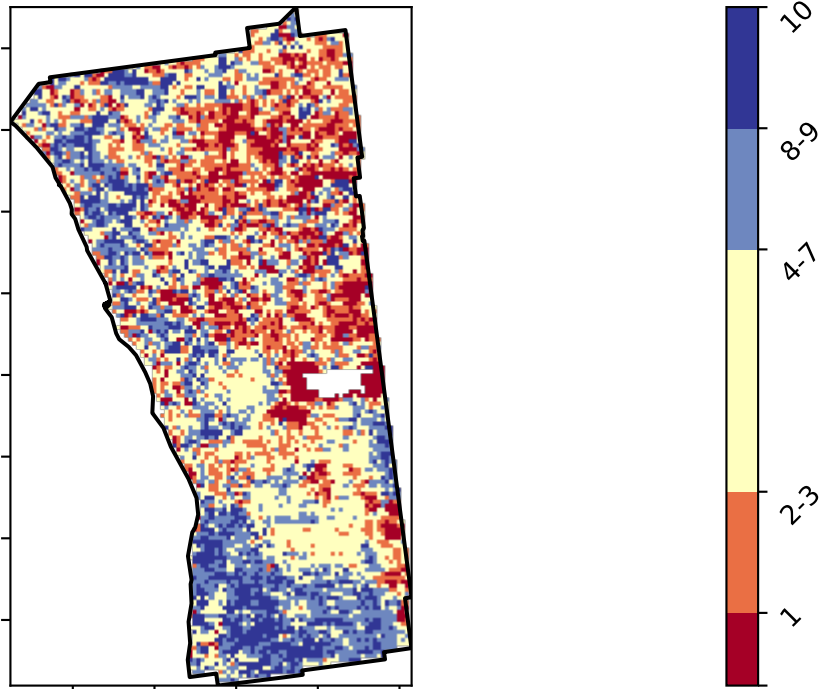
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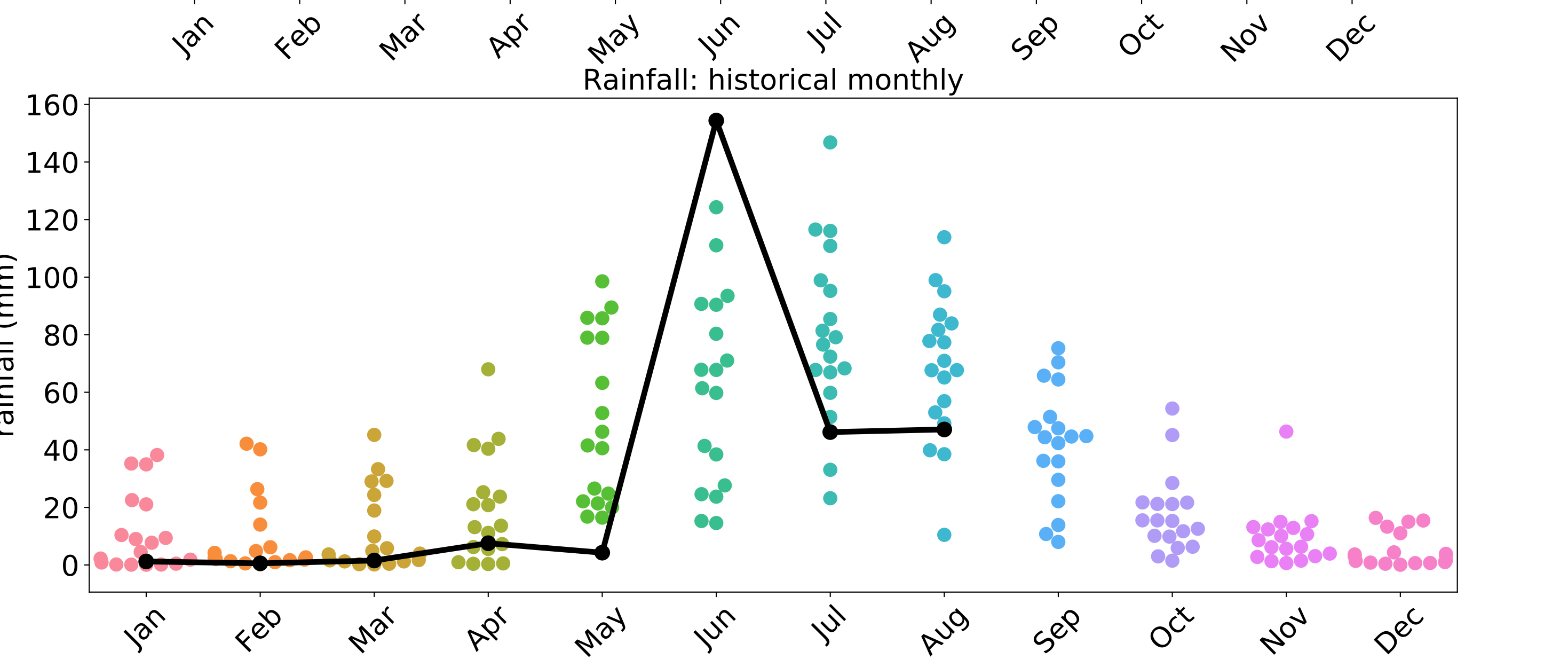
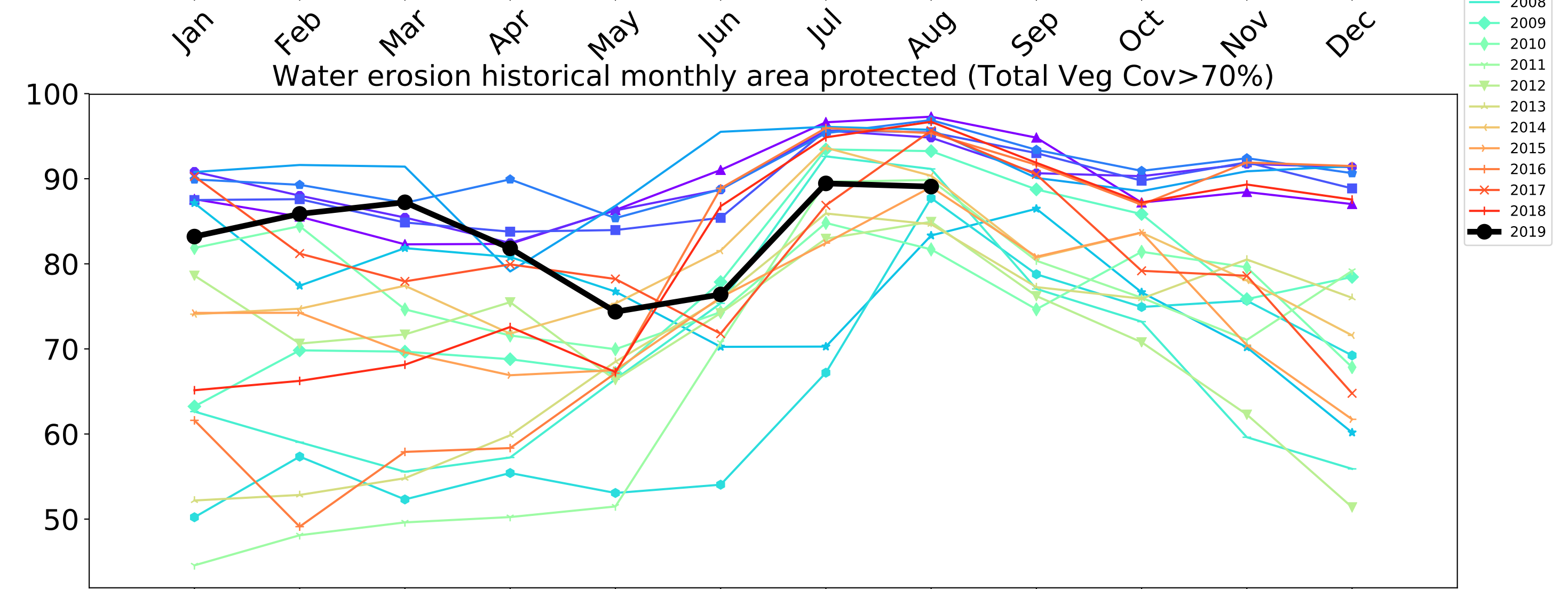
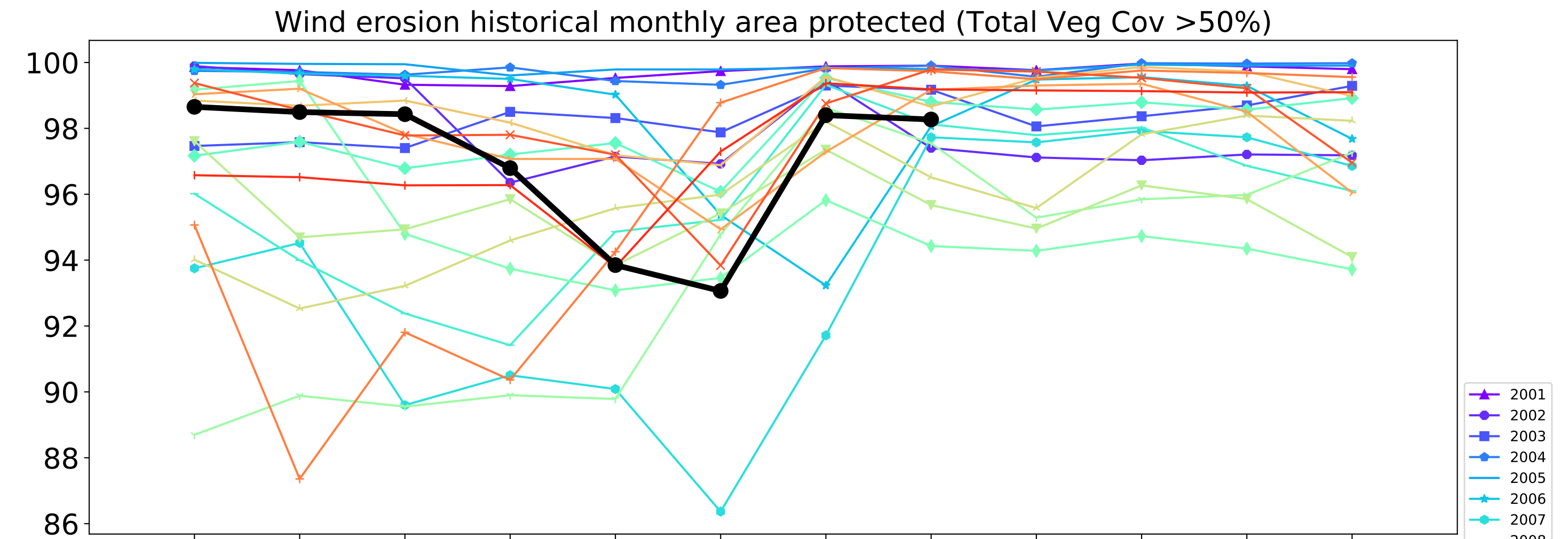
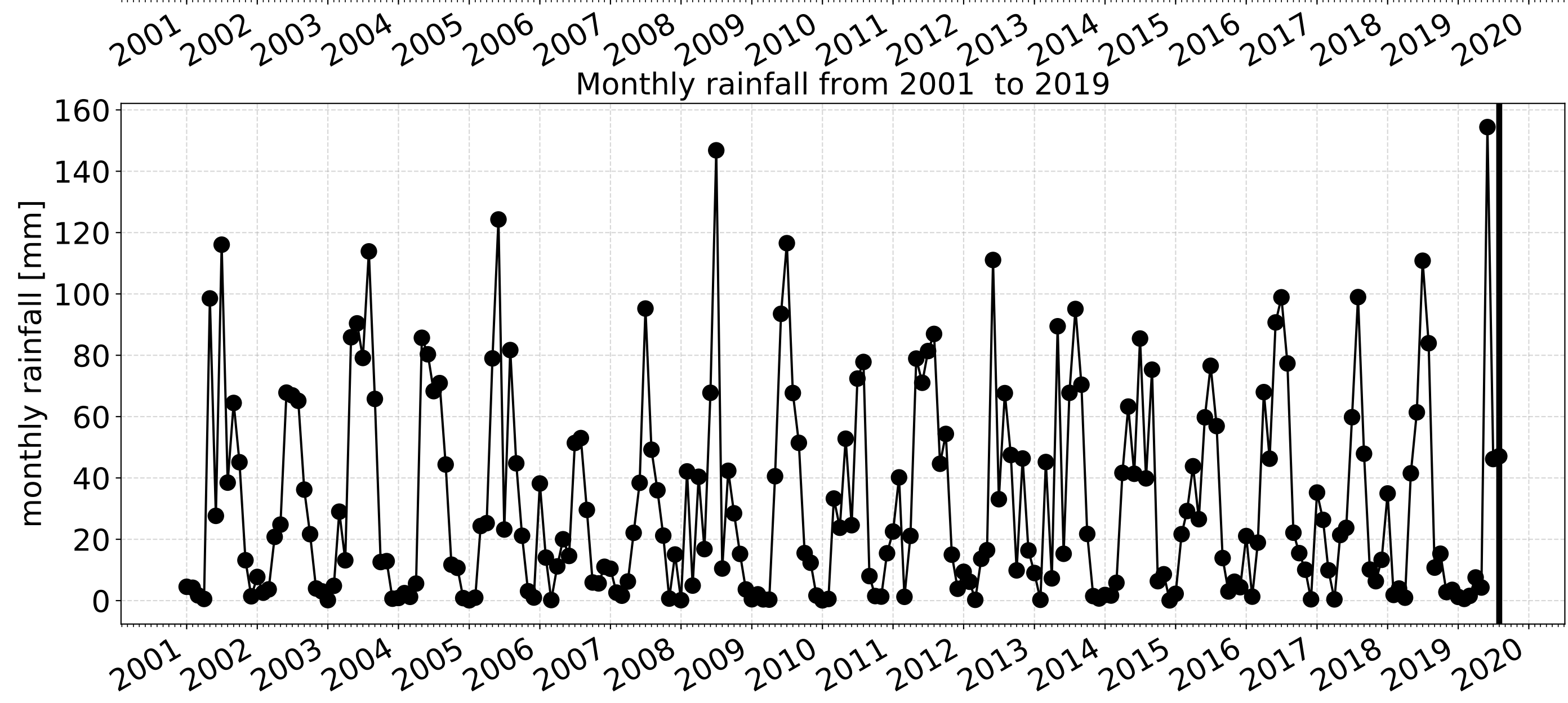
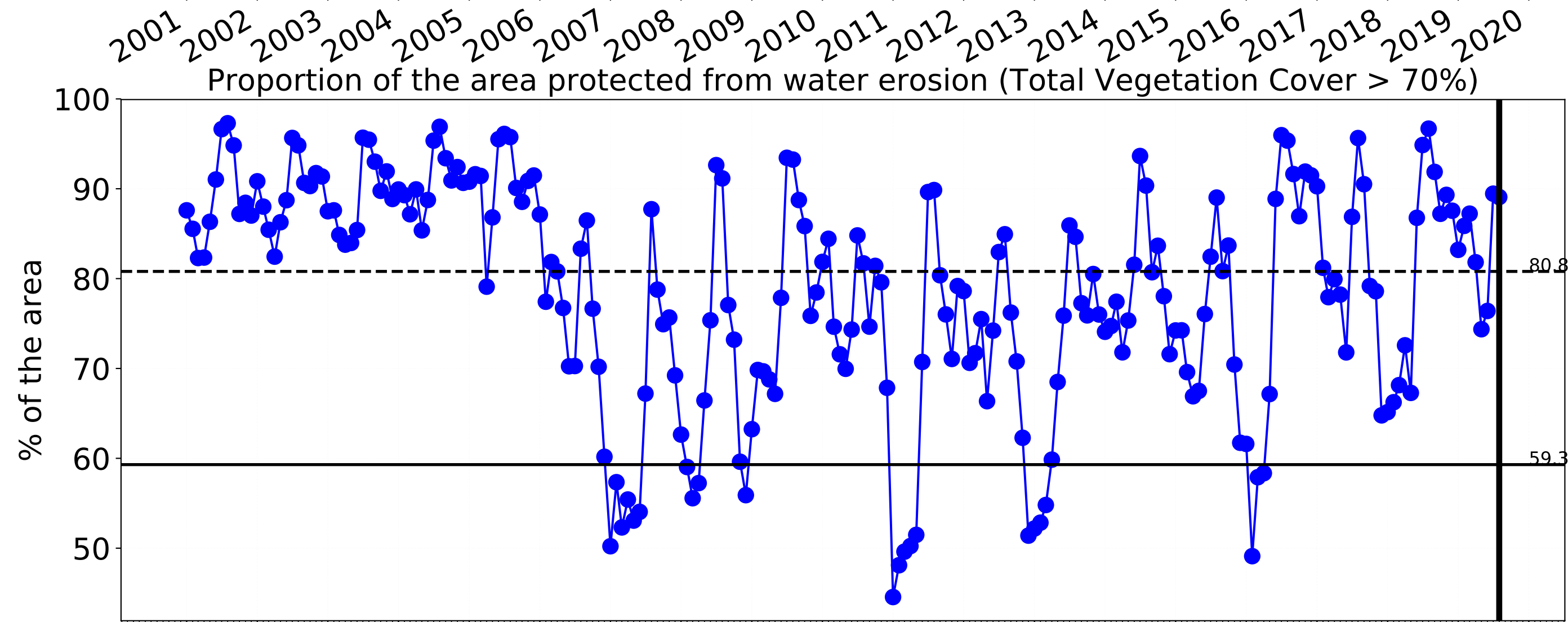
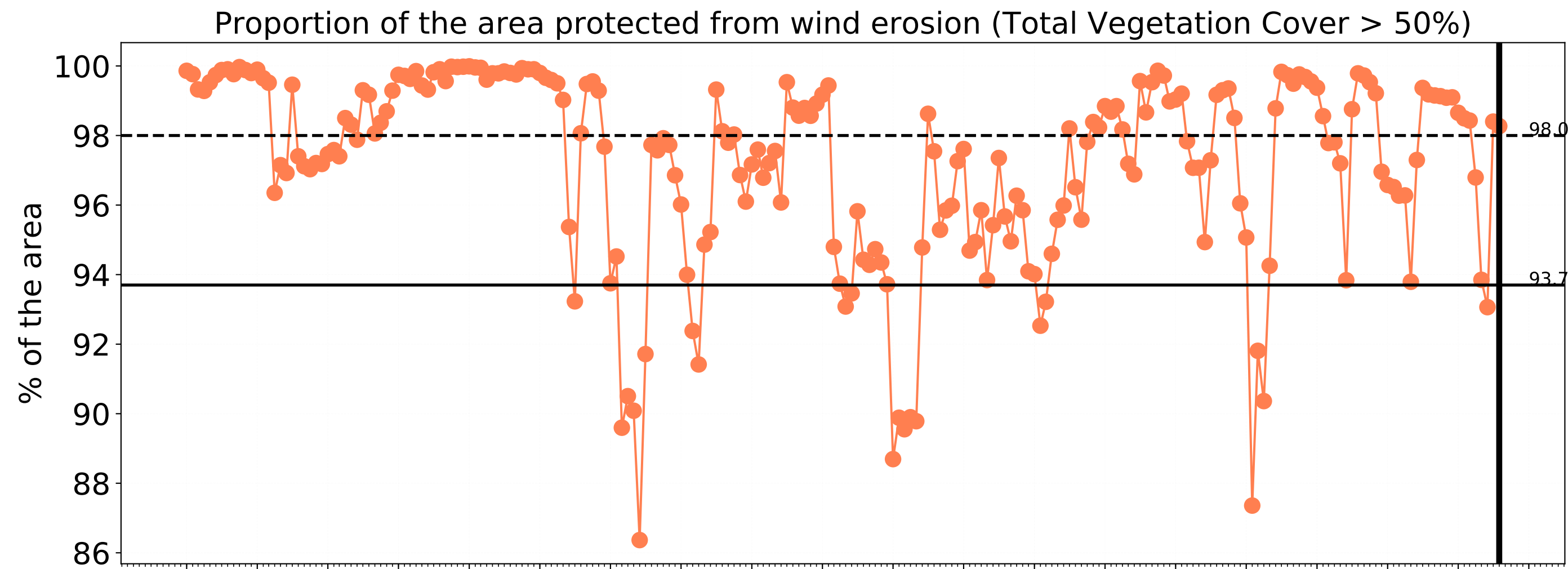
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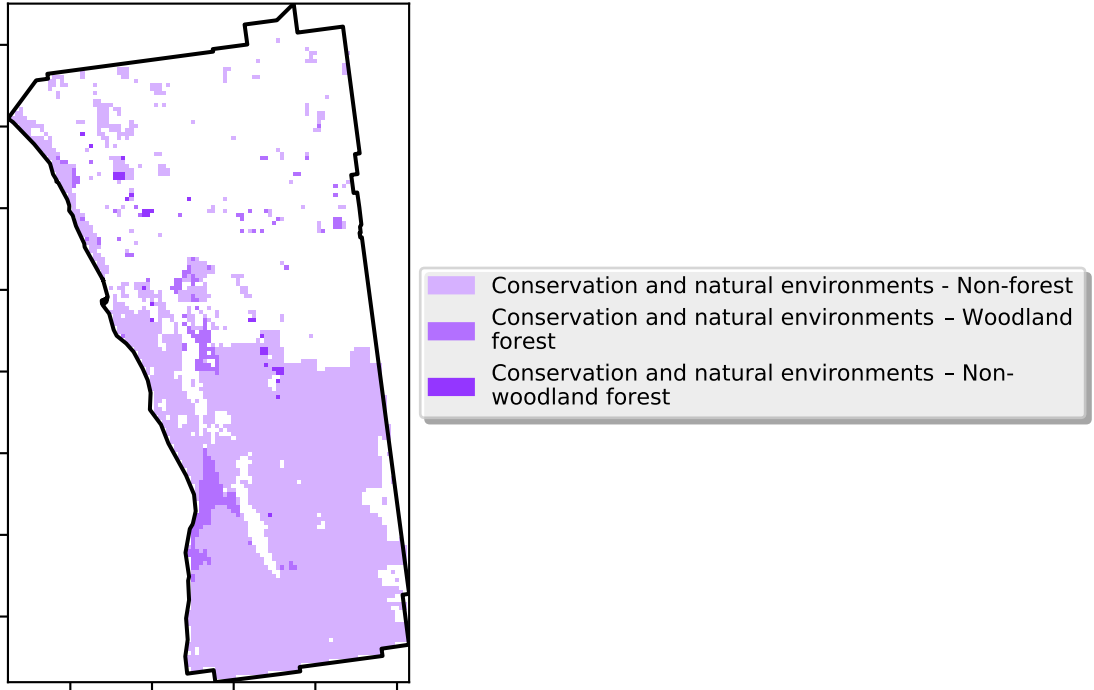
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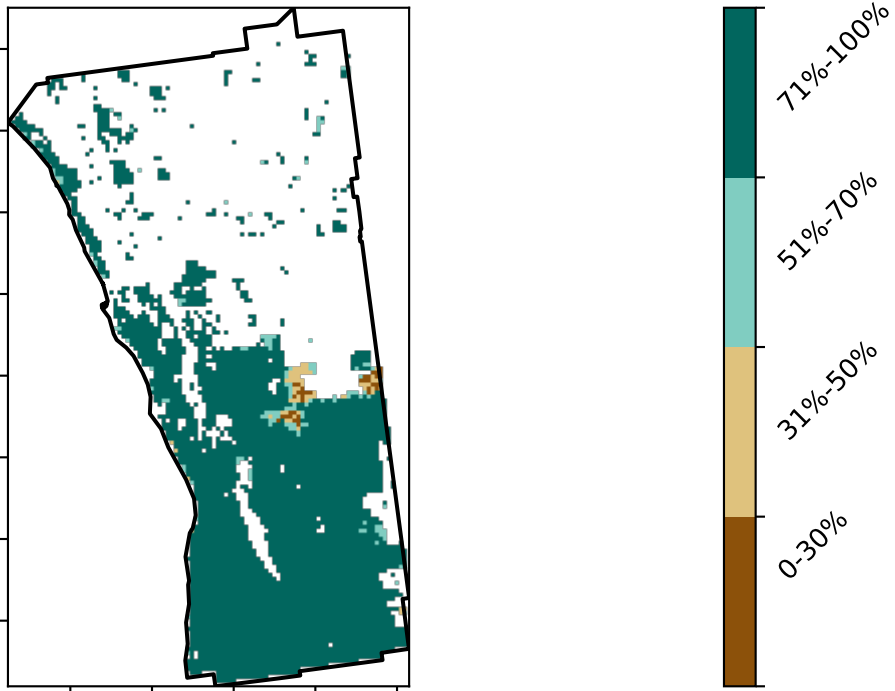
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Land use and forest cover

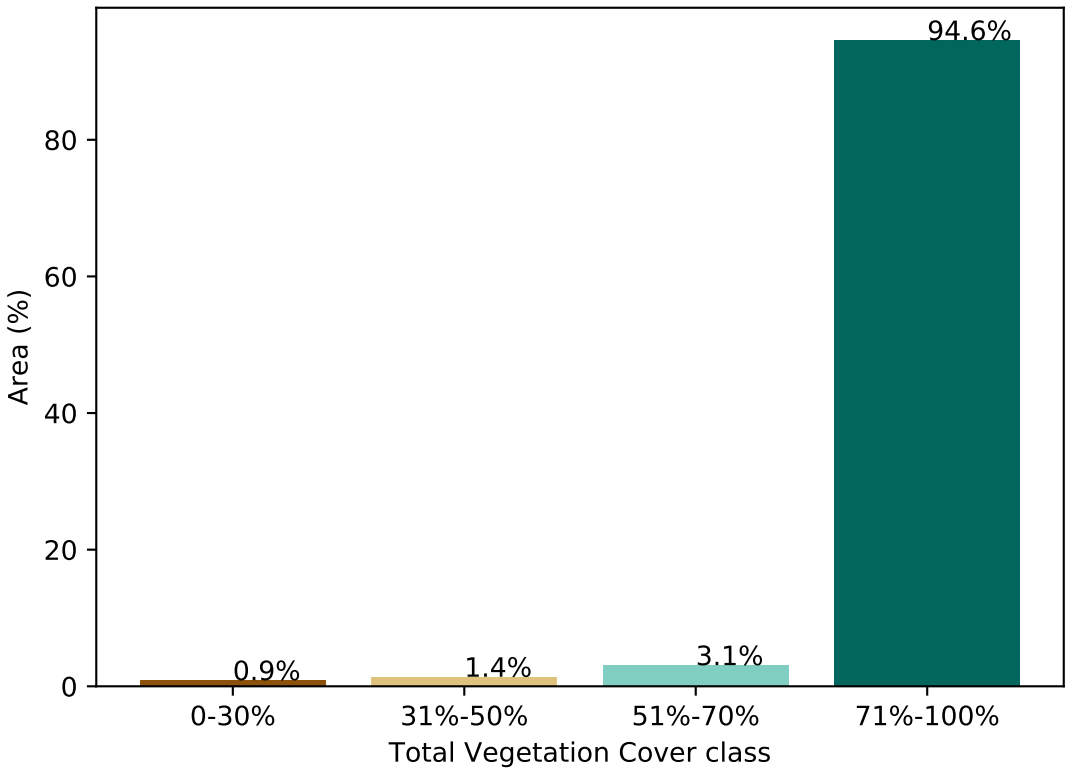
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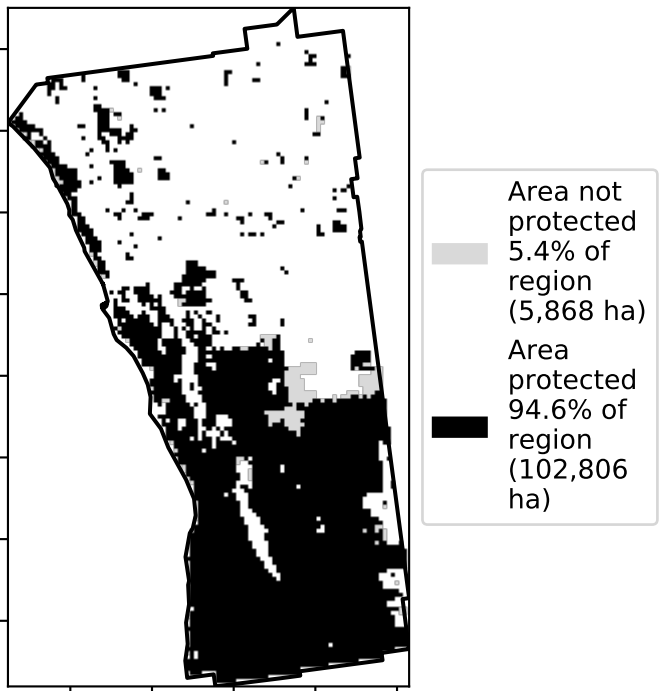
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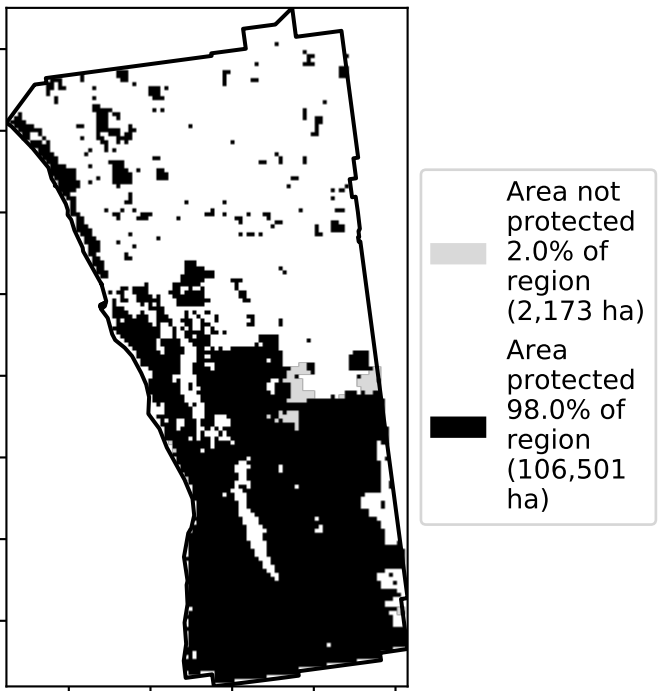
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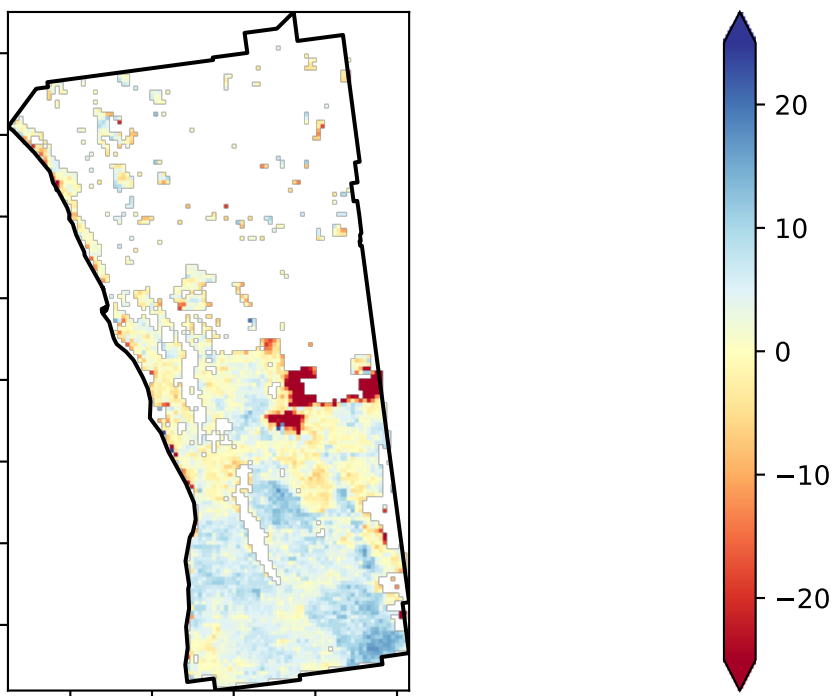


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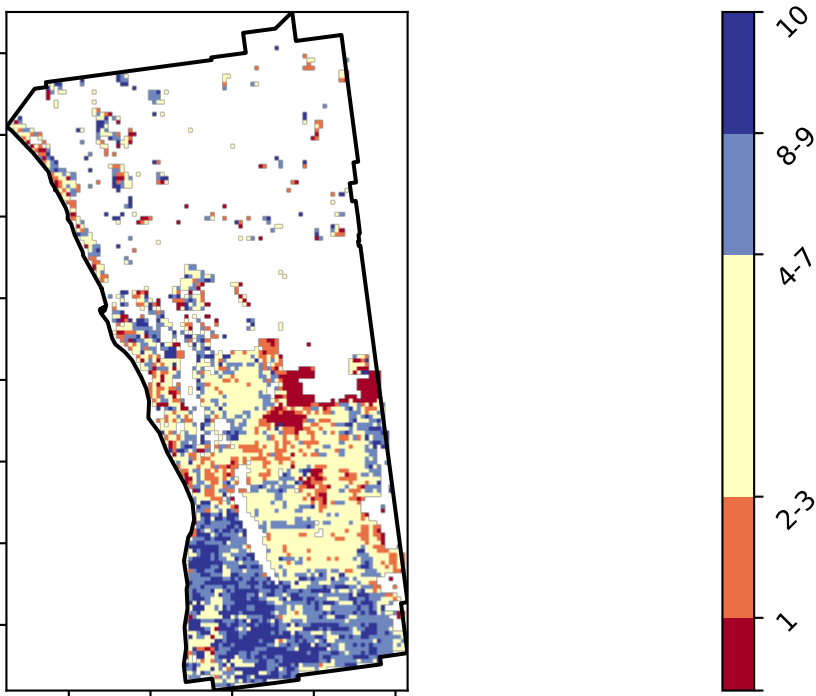
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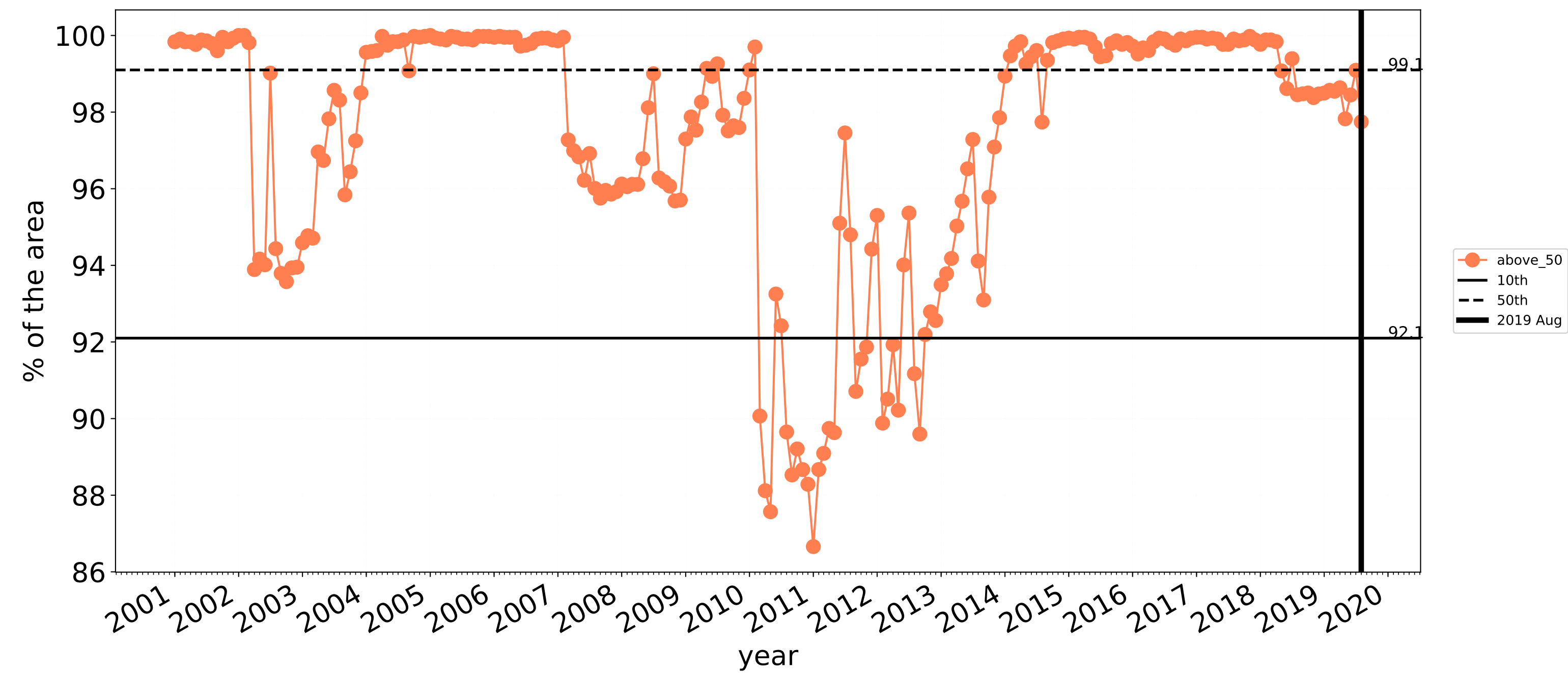
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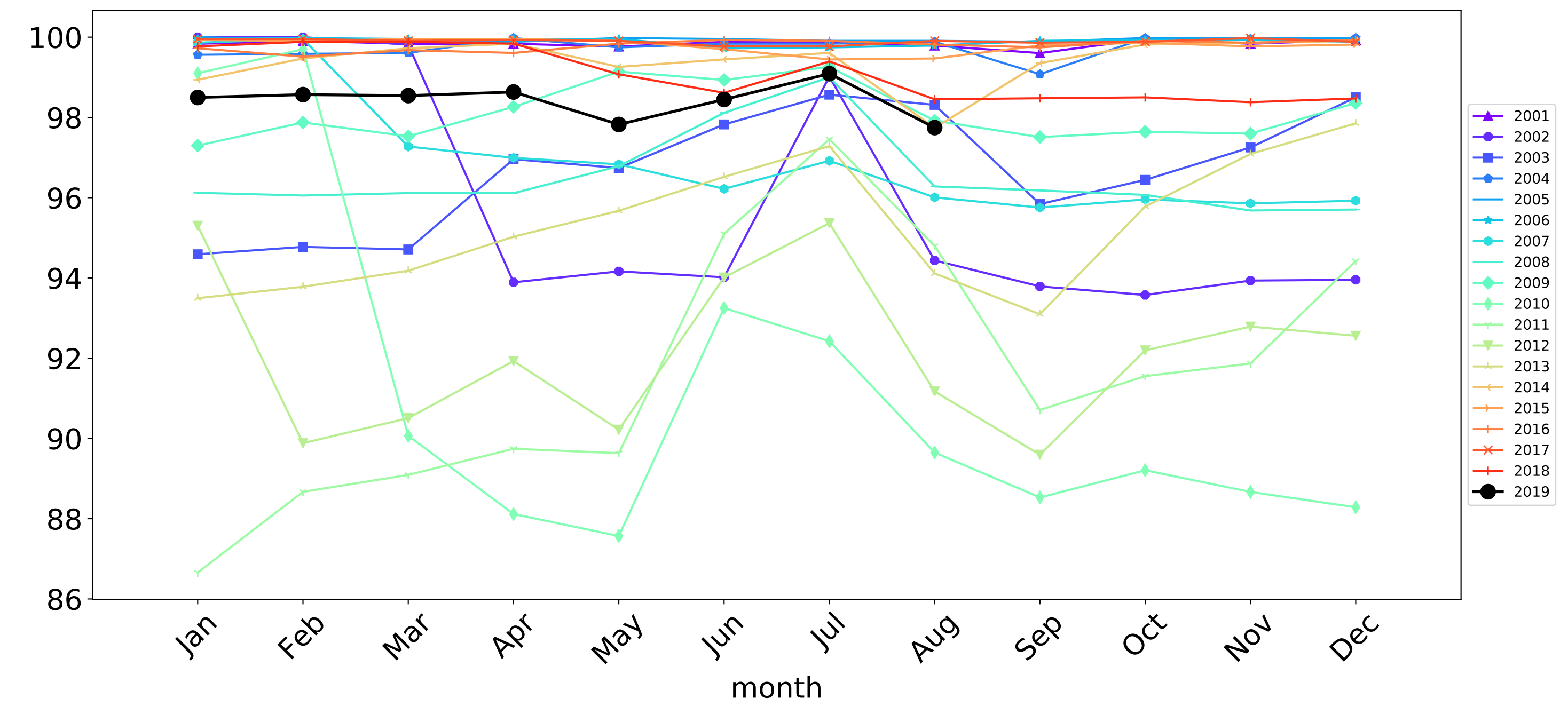
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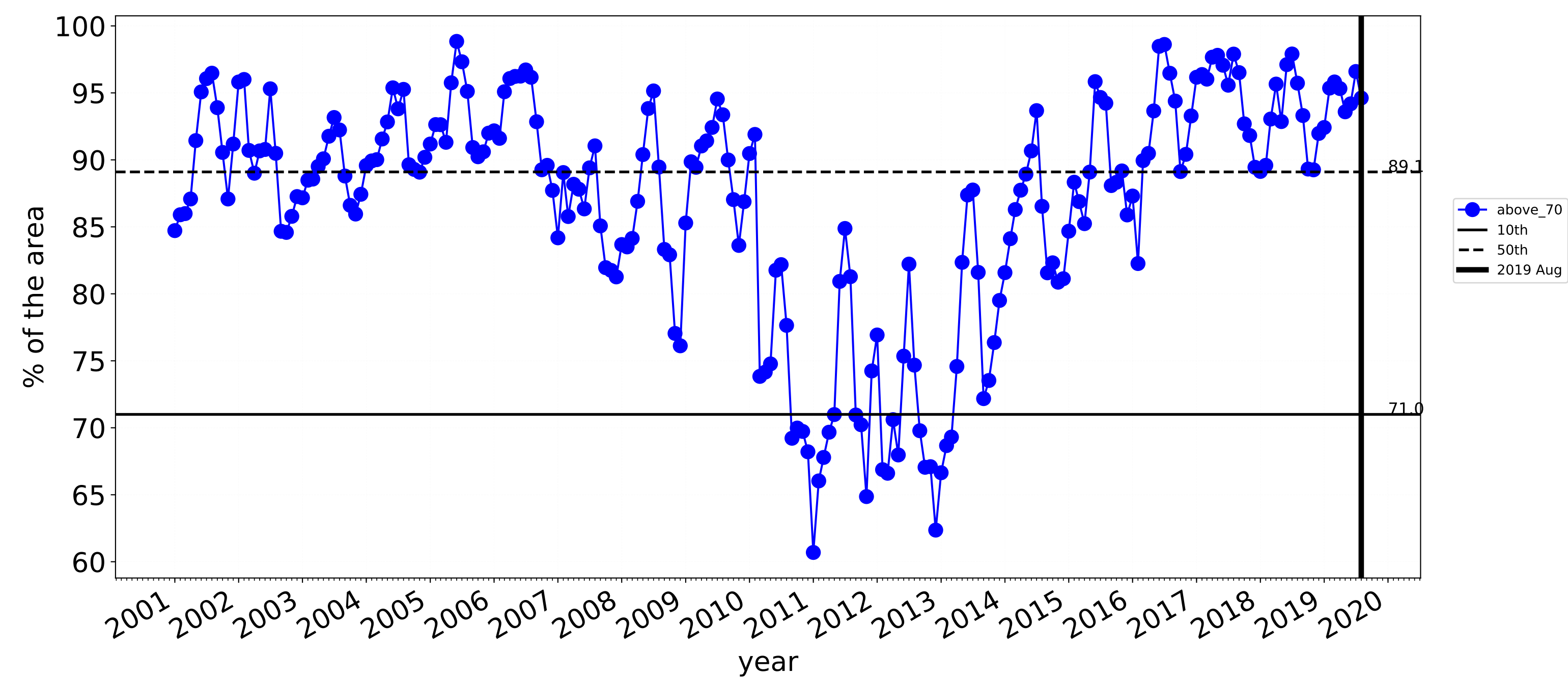
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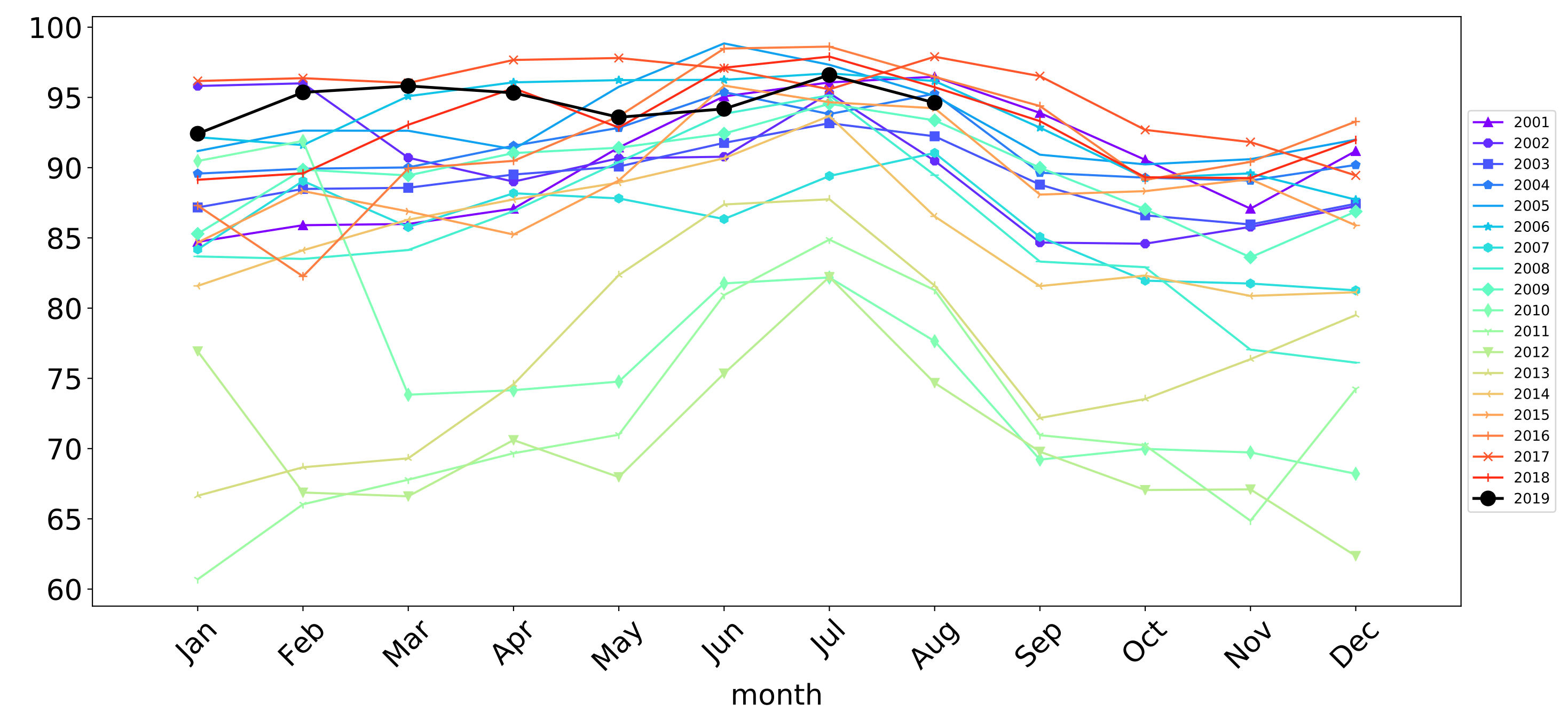
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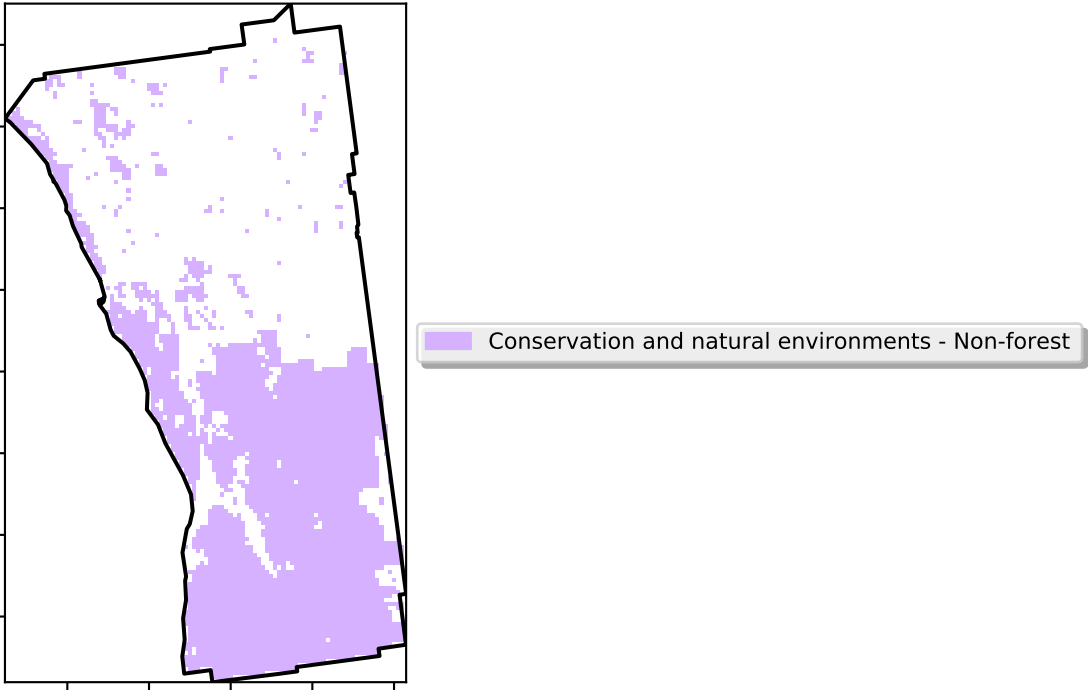
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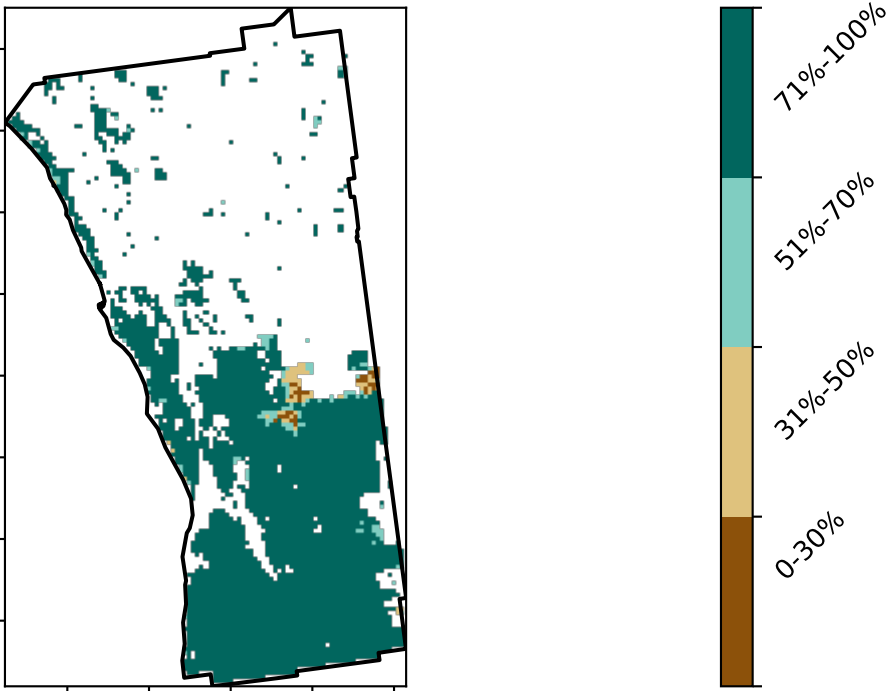
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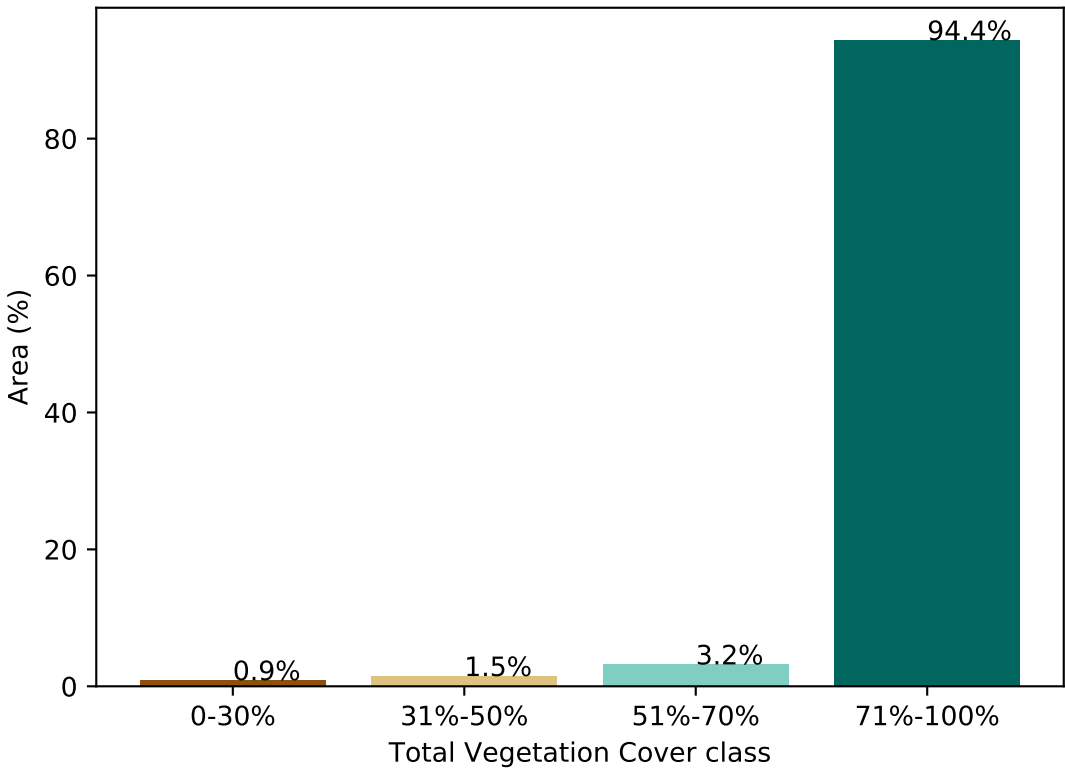
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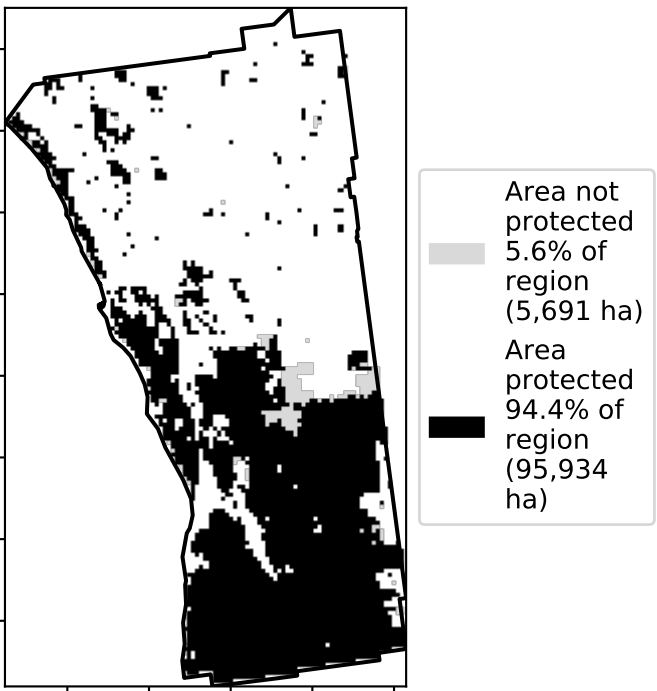
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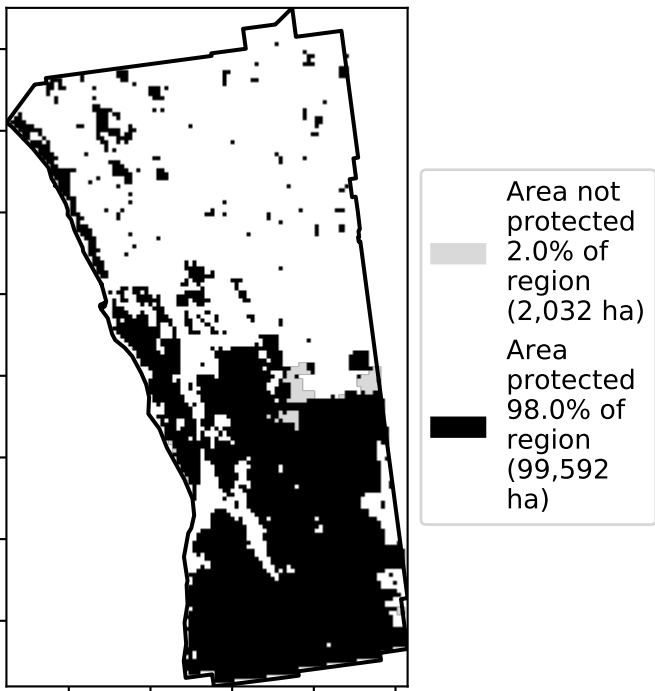
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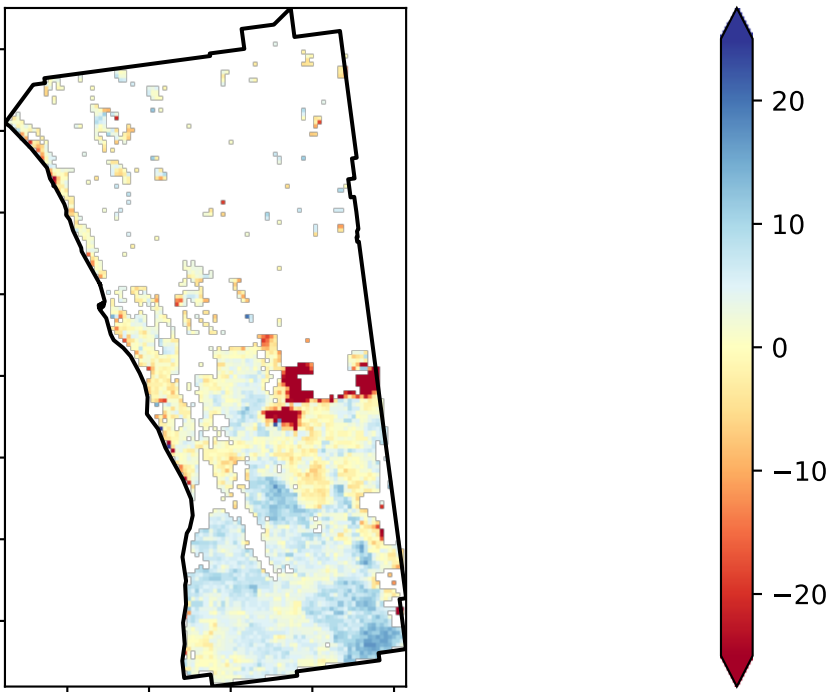


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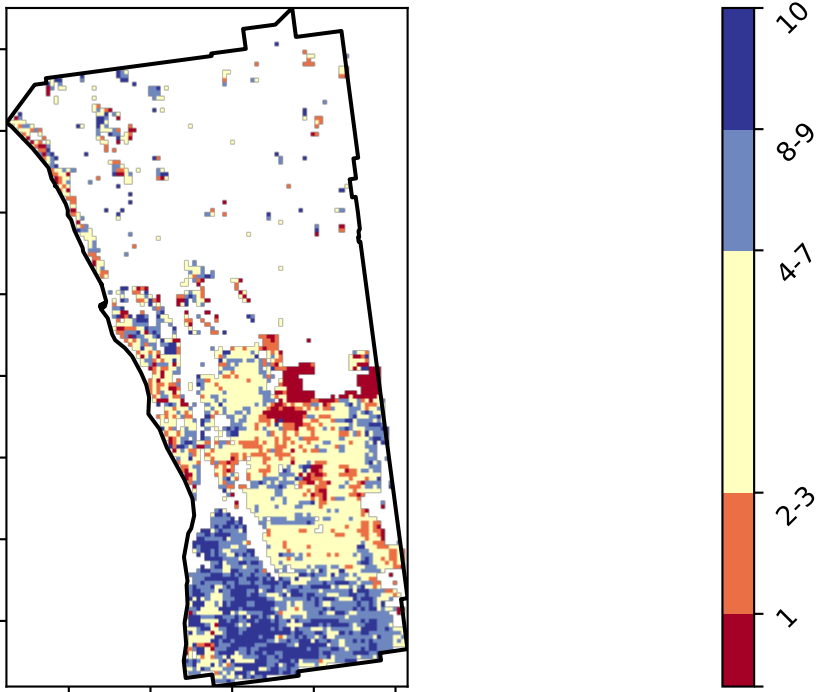
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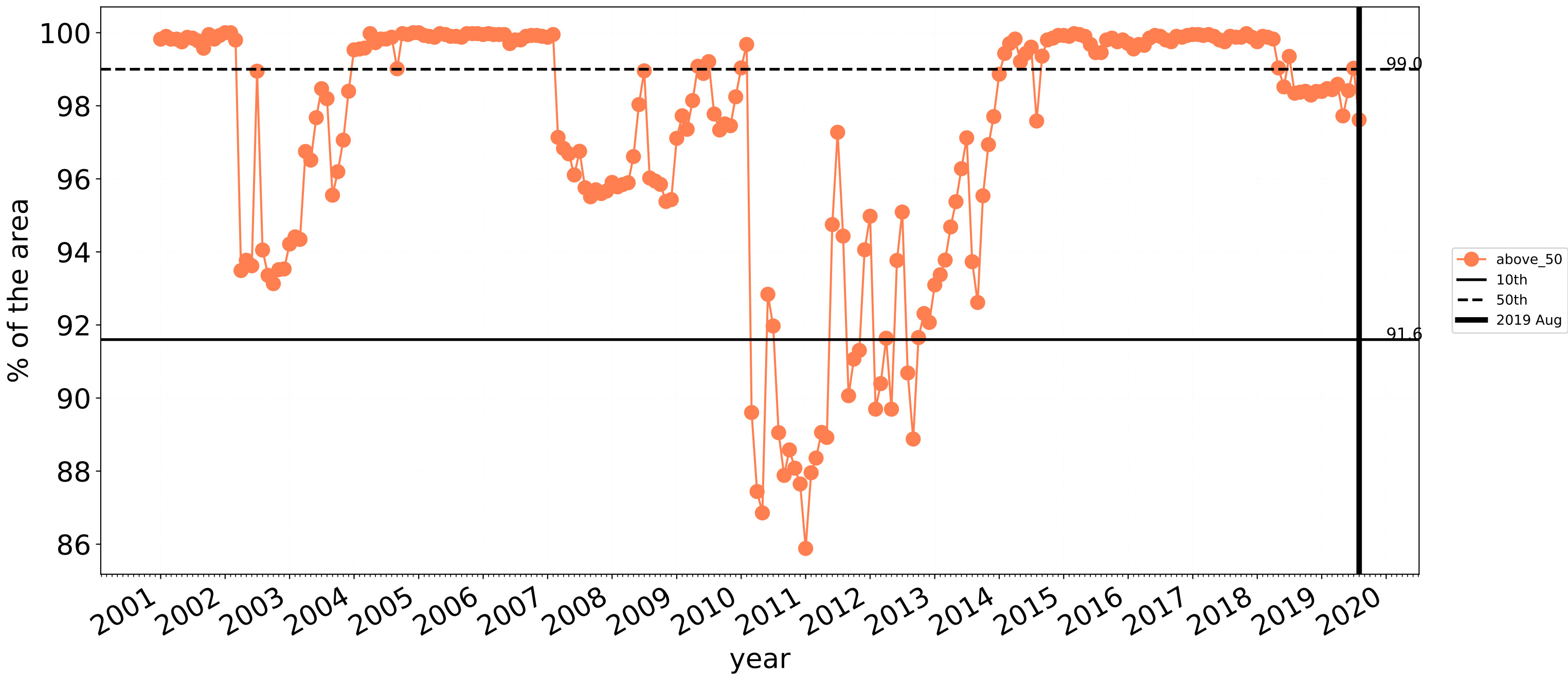
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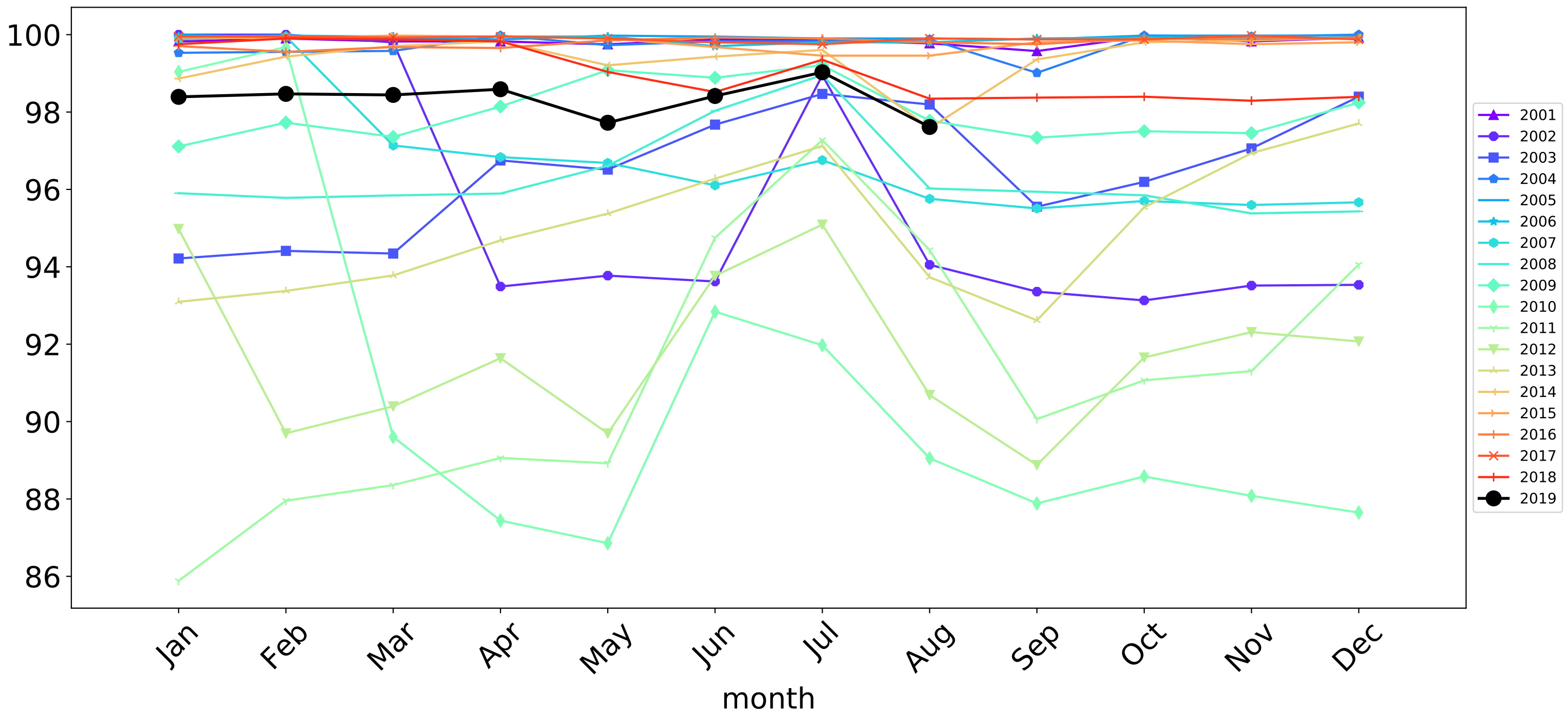
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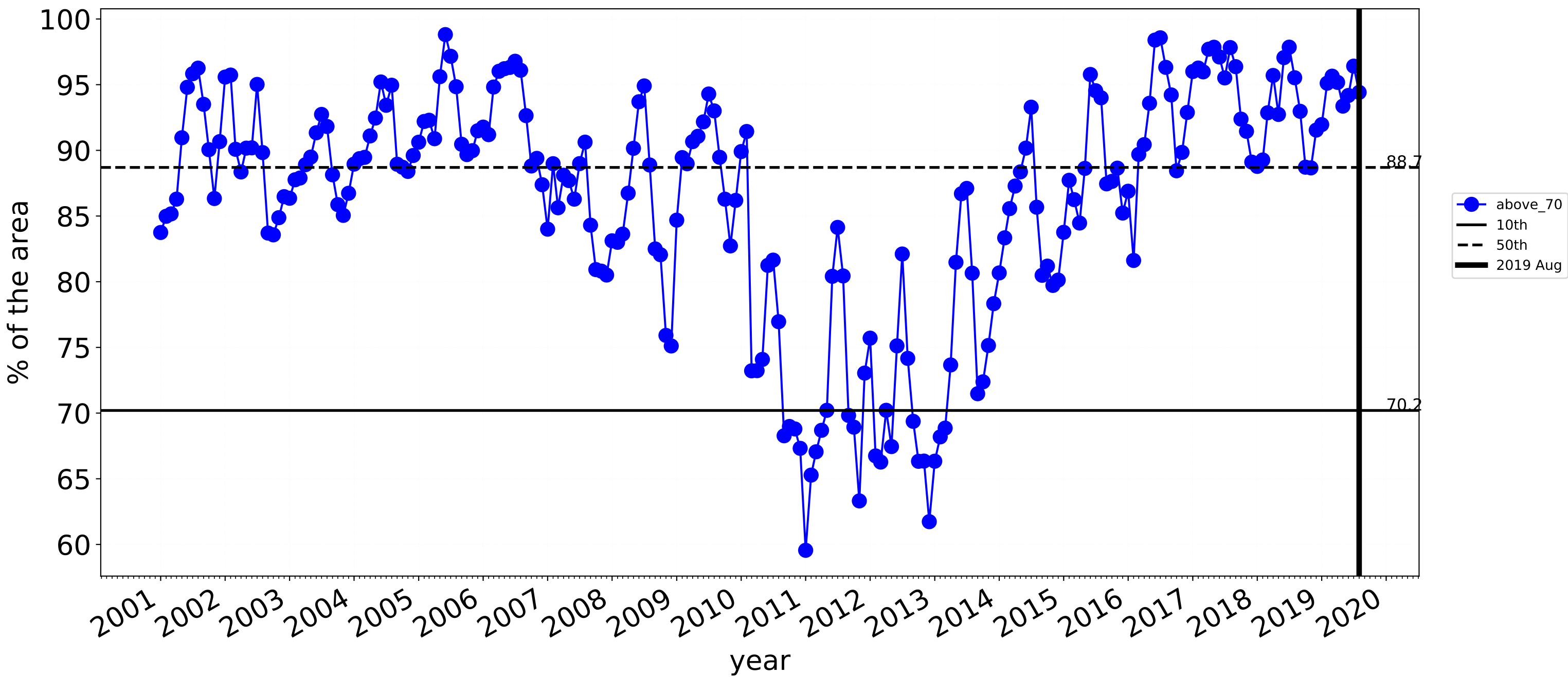
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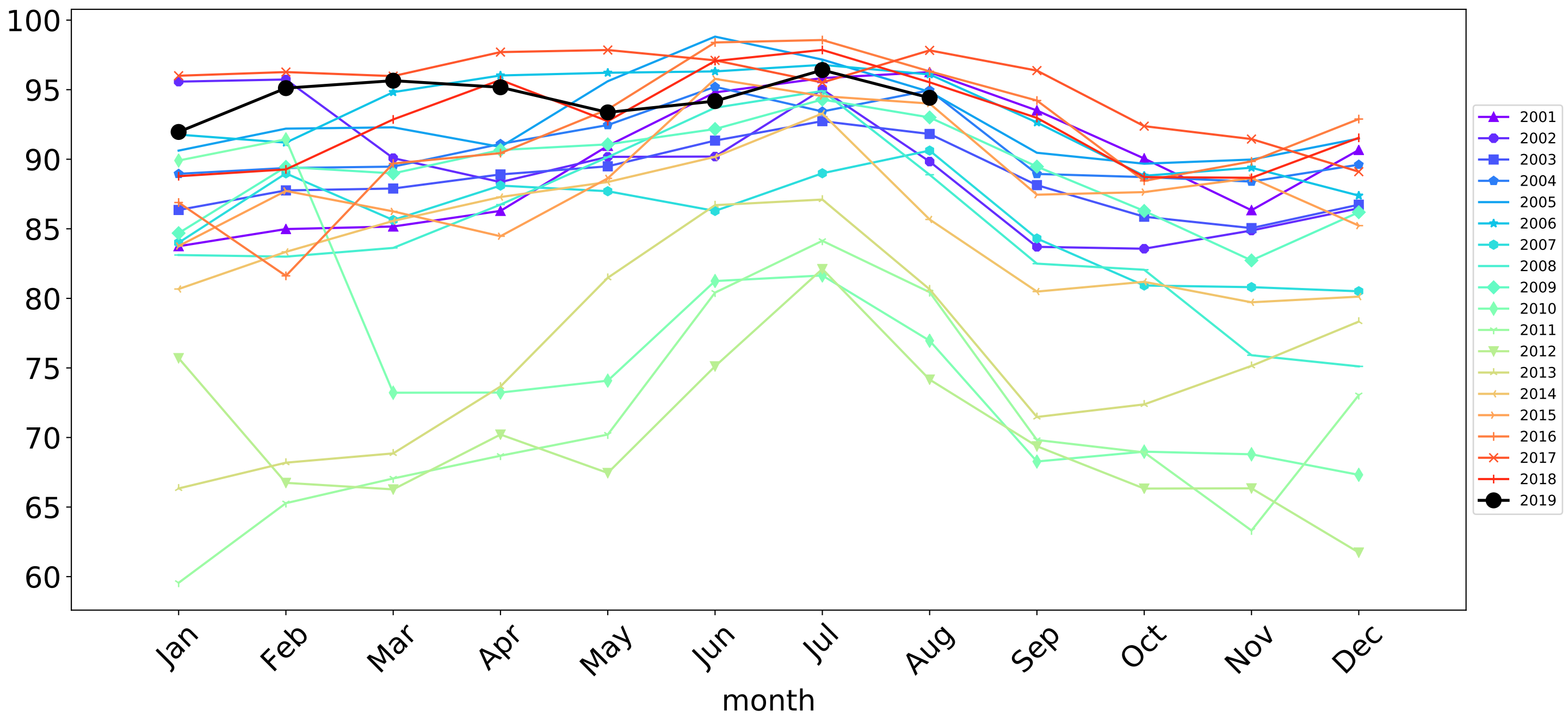
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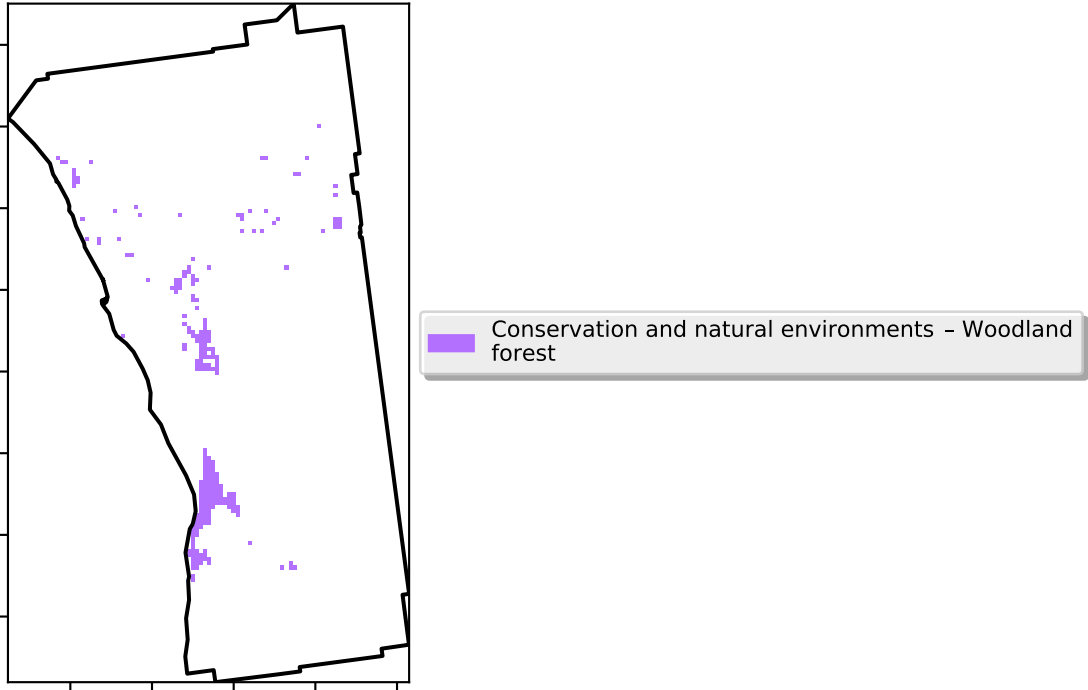
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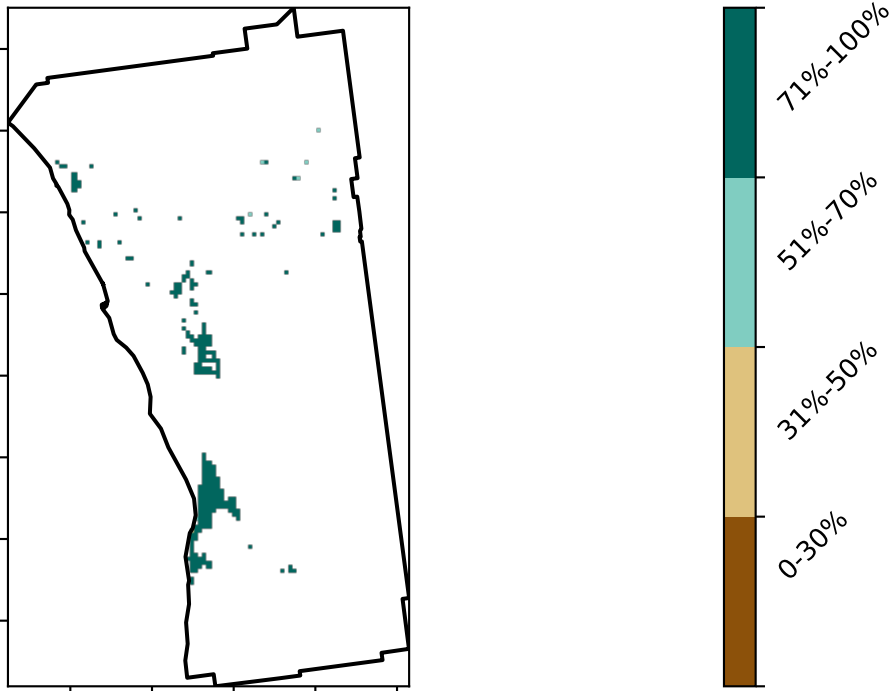
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Land use and forest cover

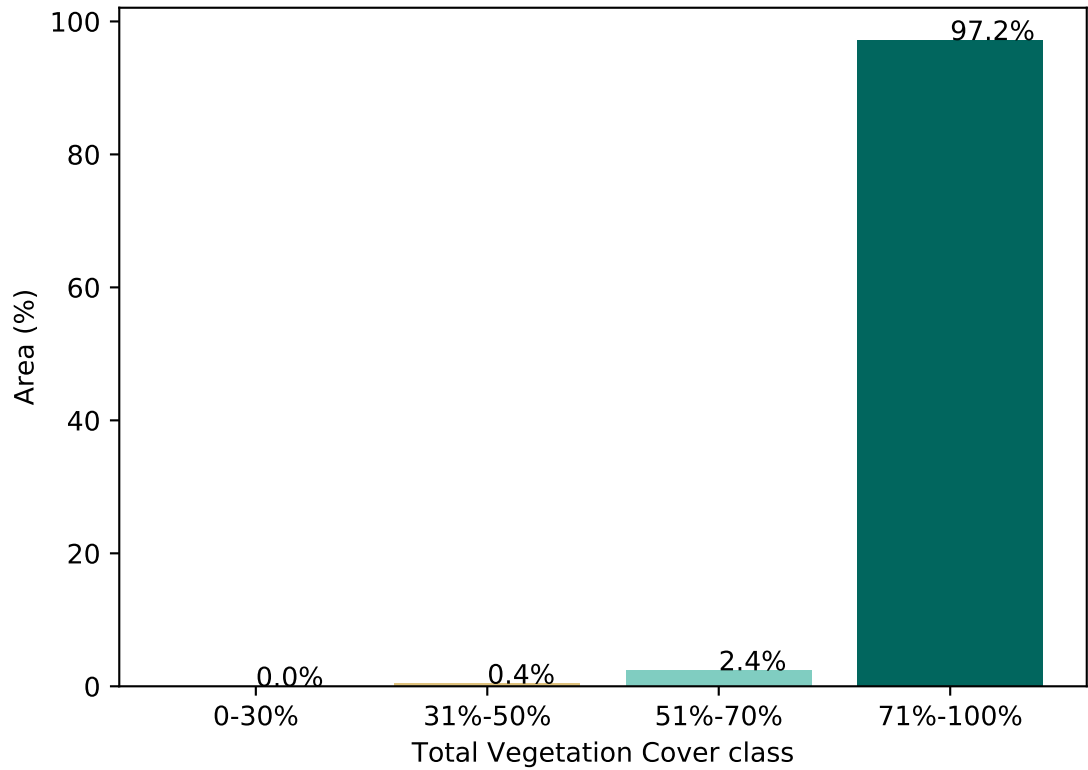
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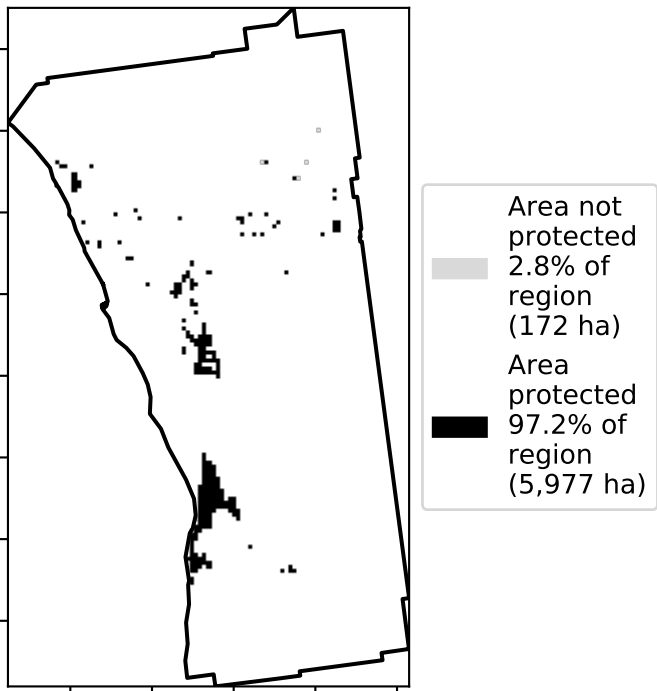
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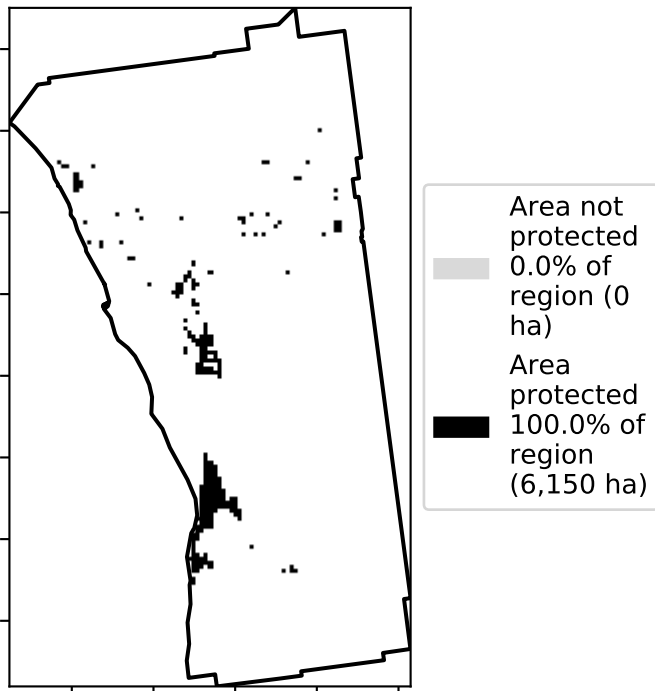
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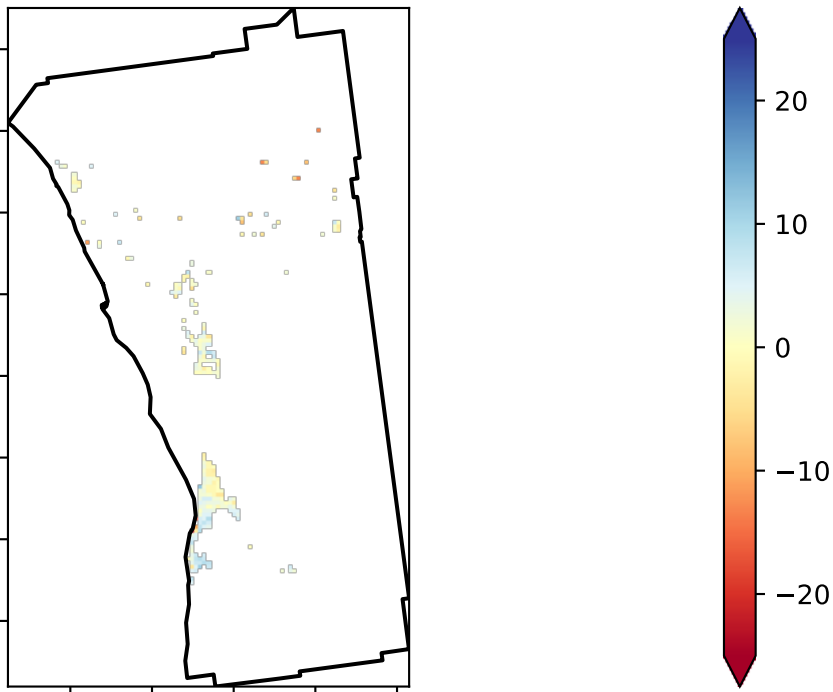


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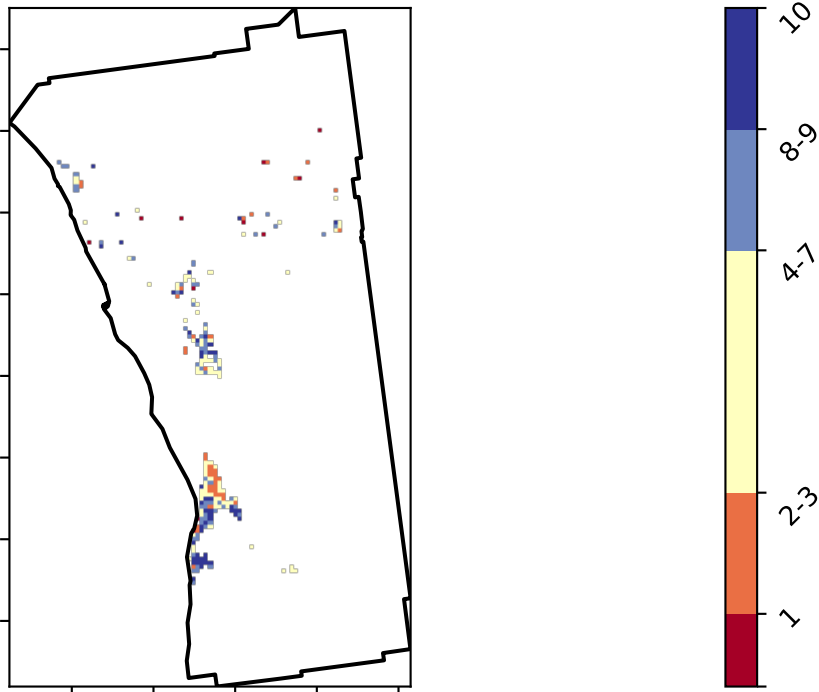
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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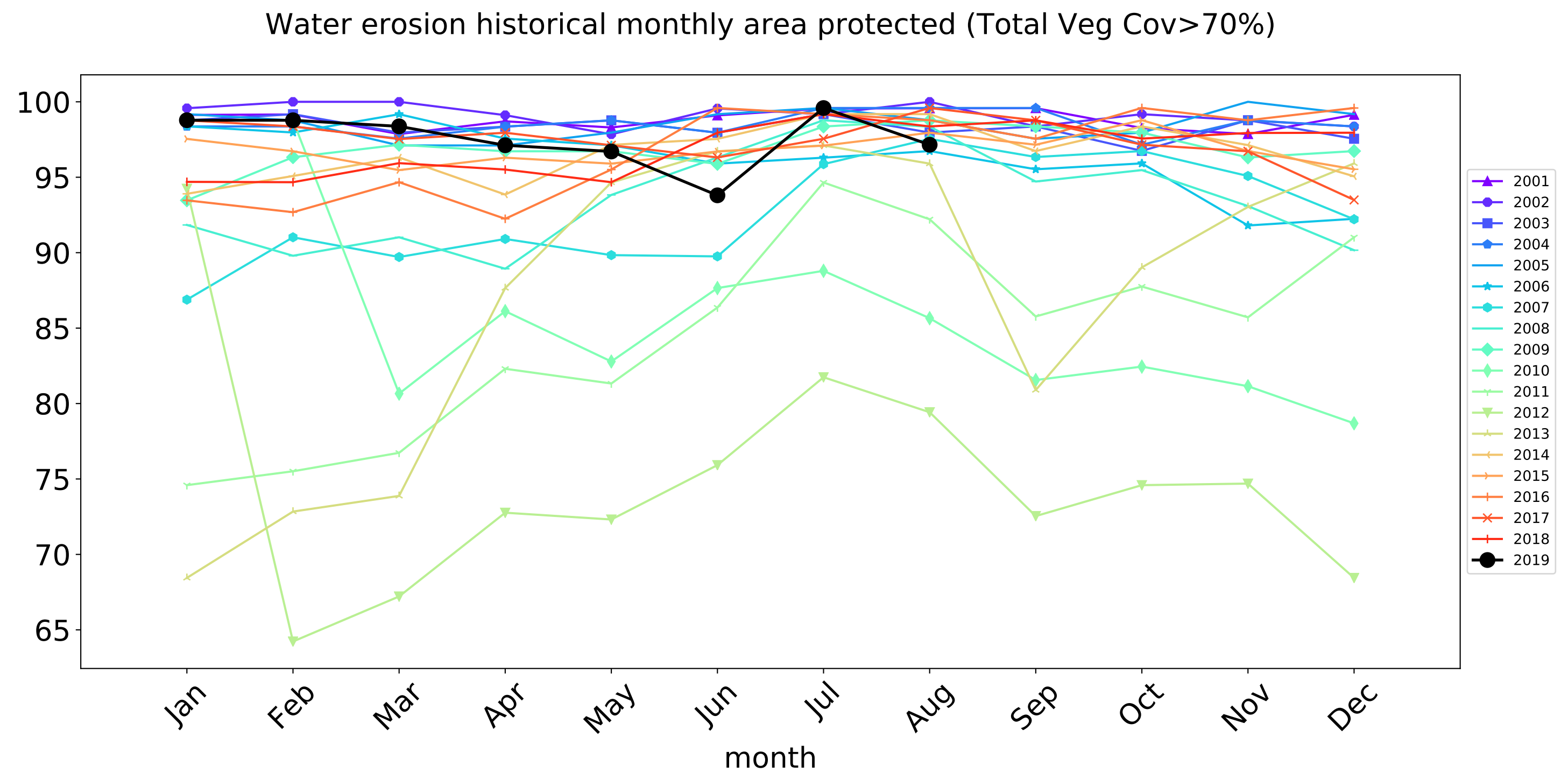
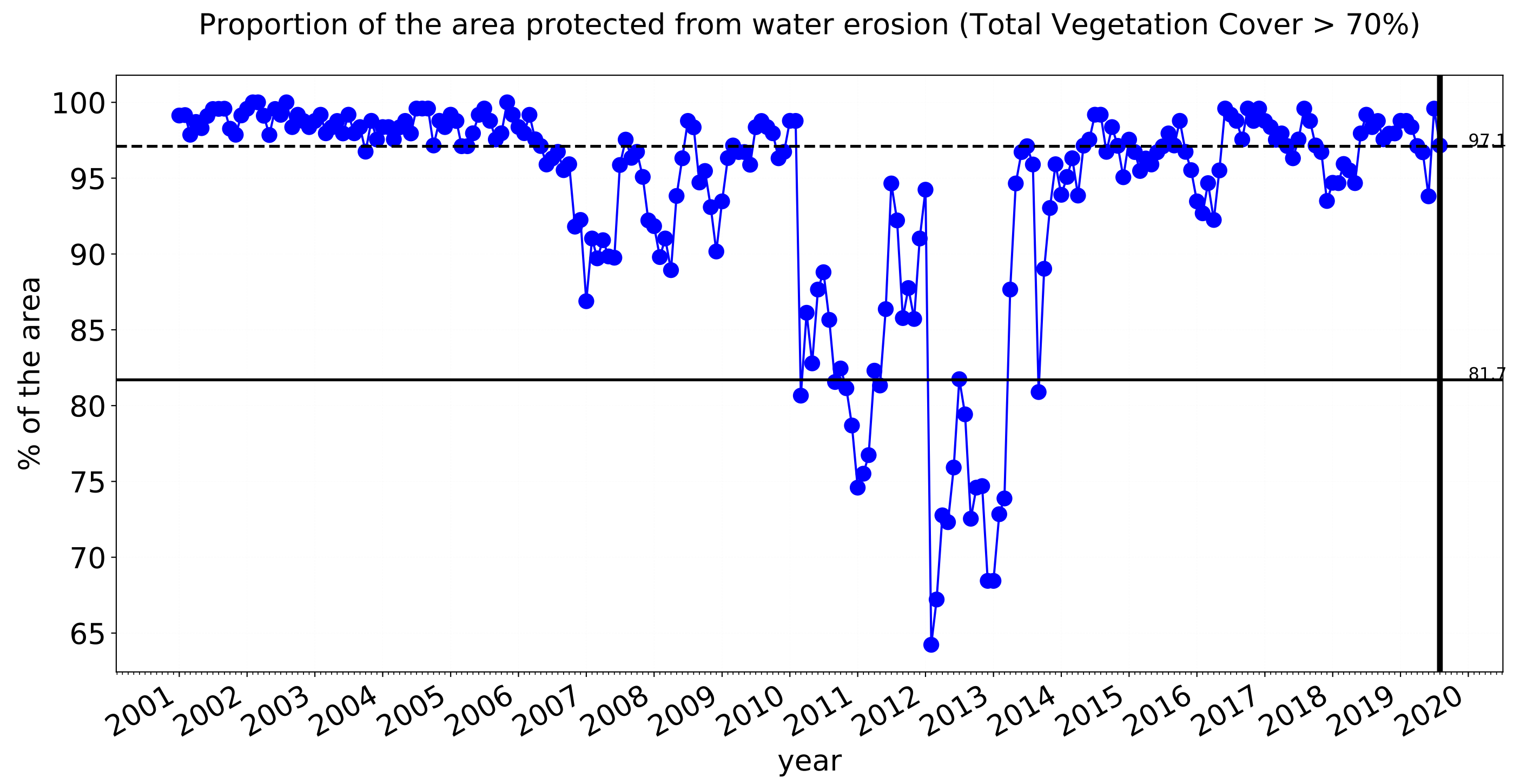
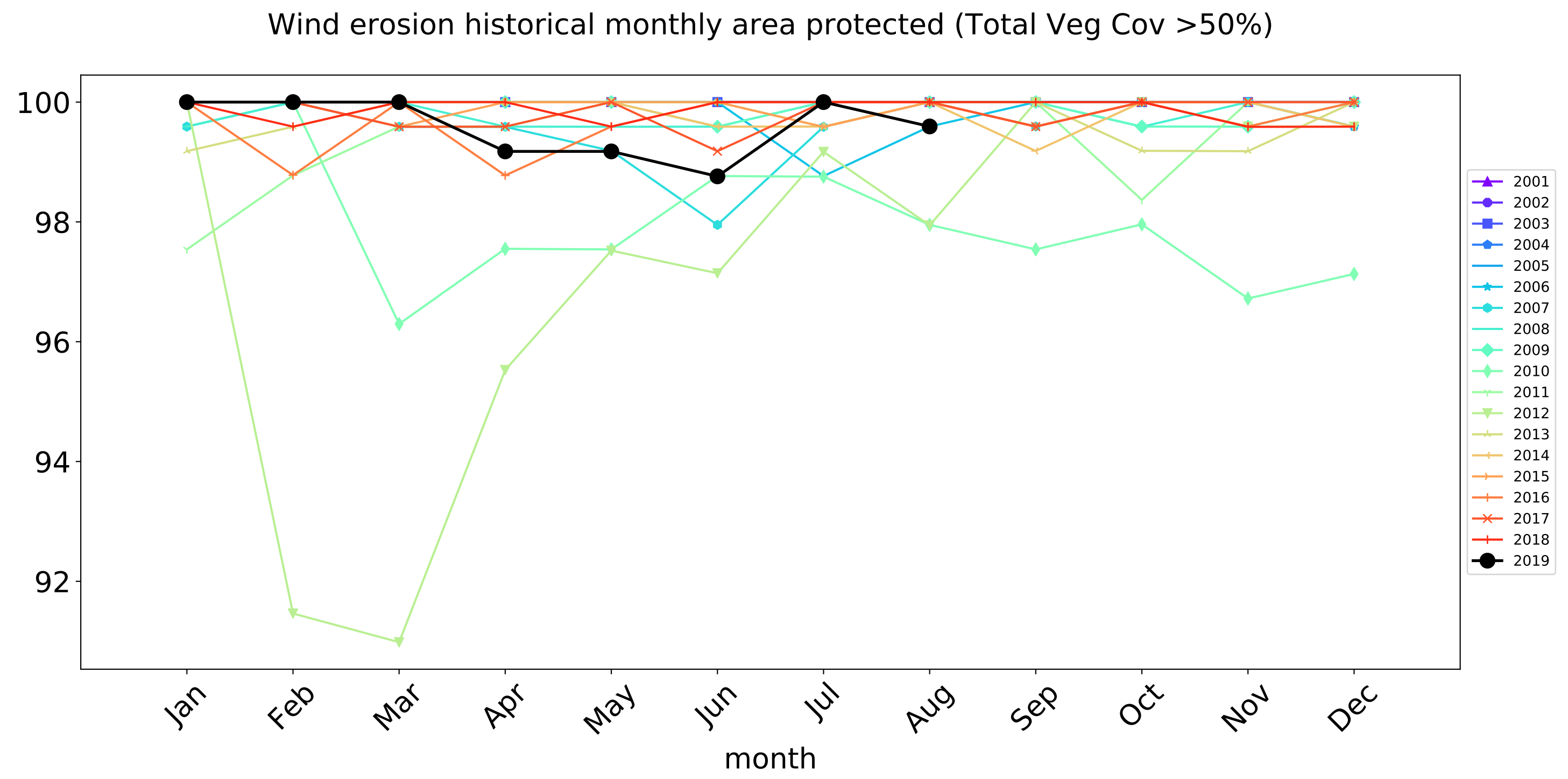
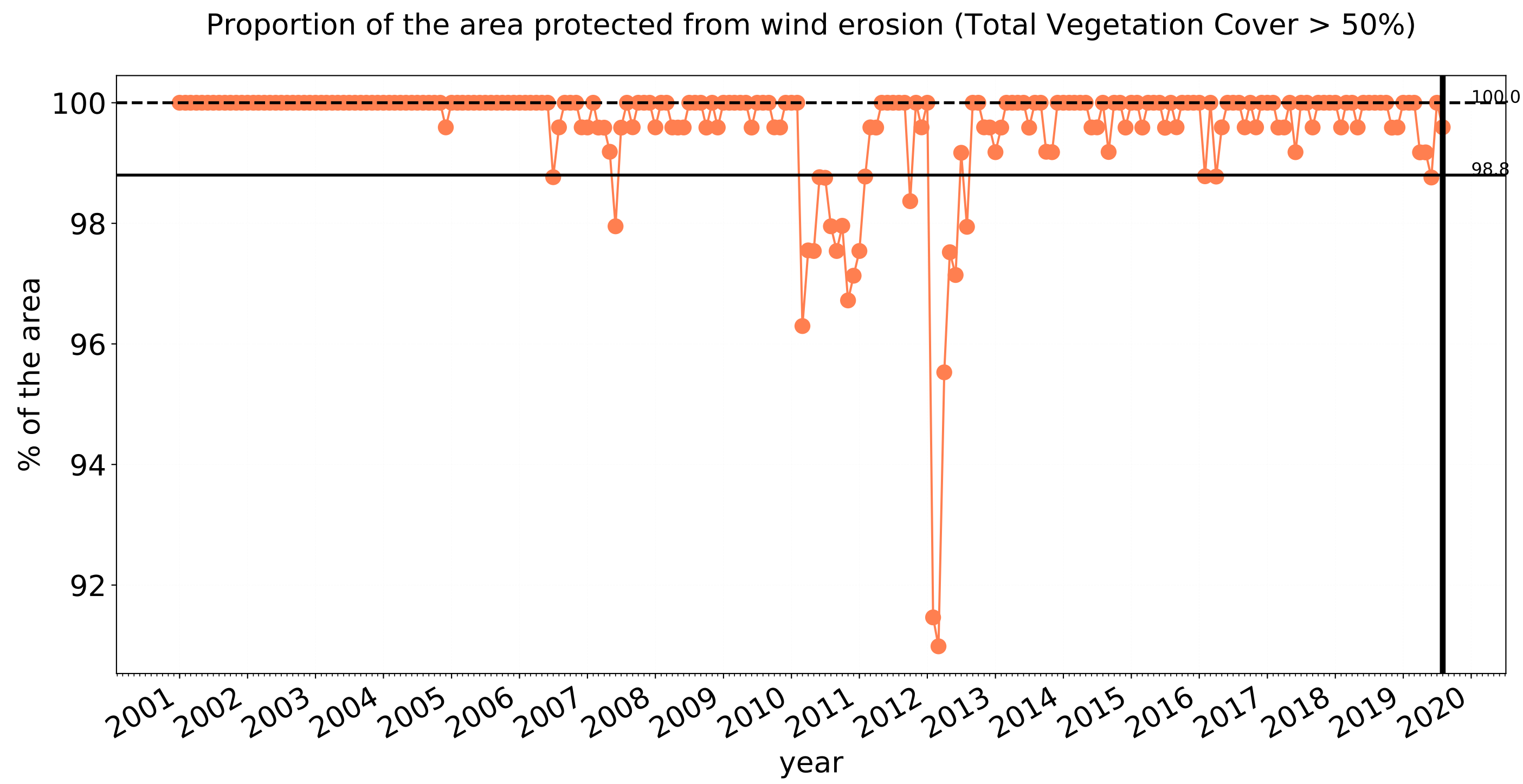


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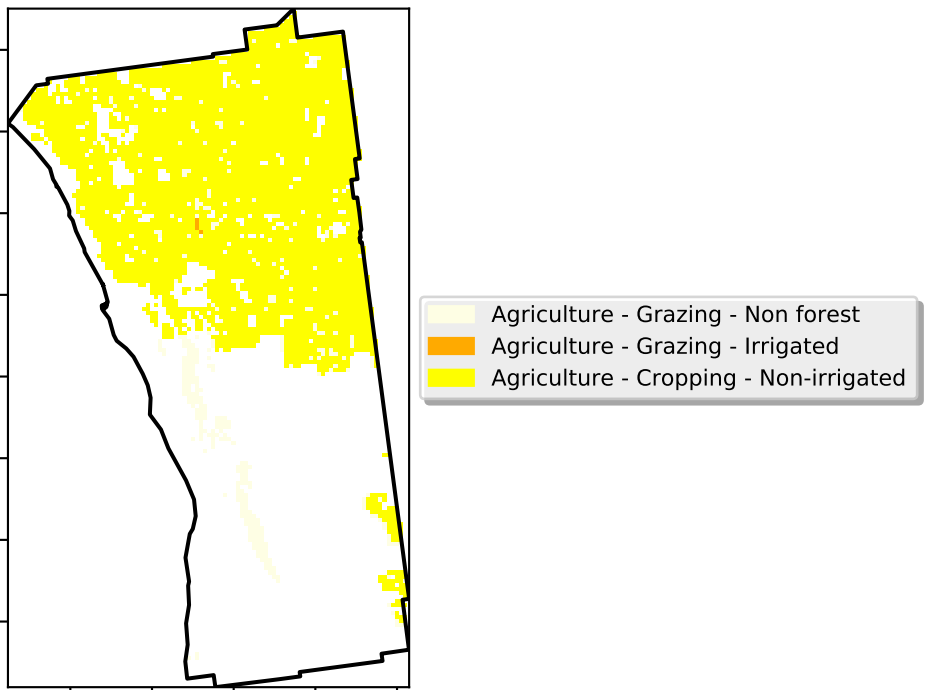
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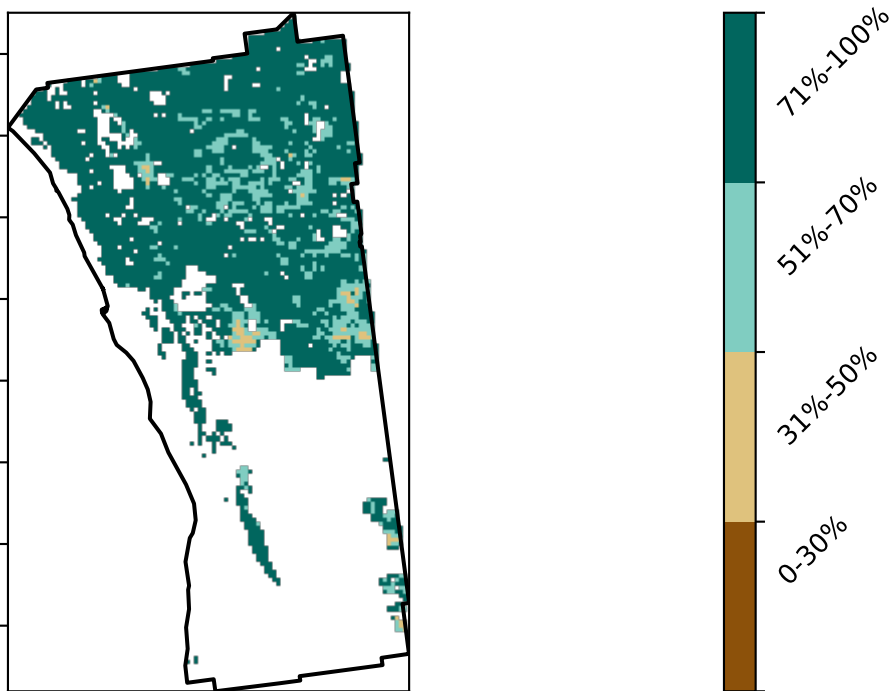
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Land use and forest cover

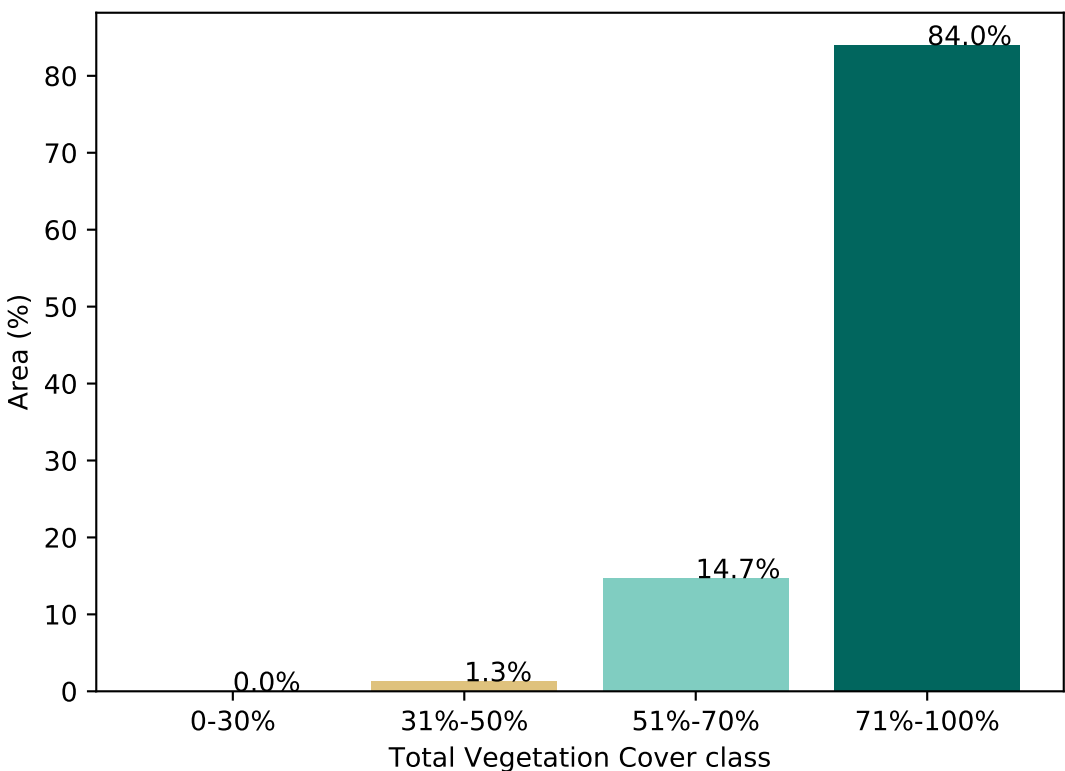
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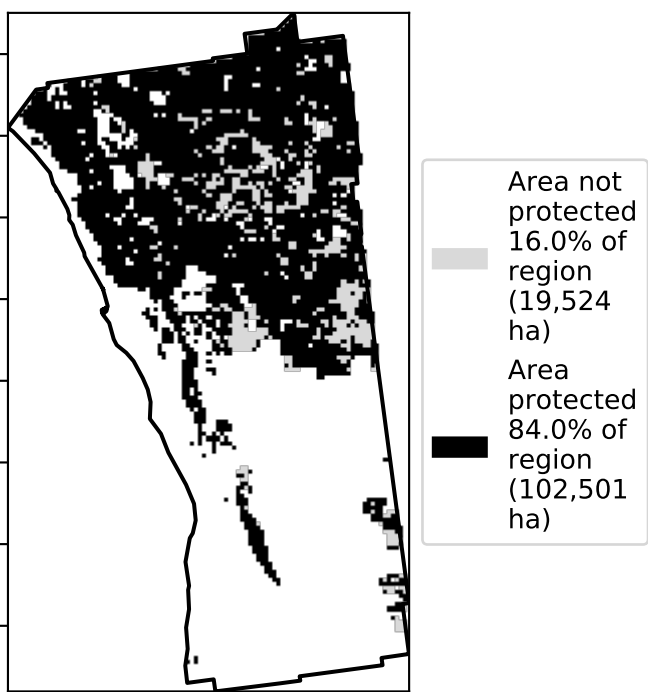
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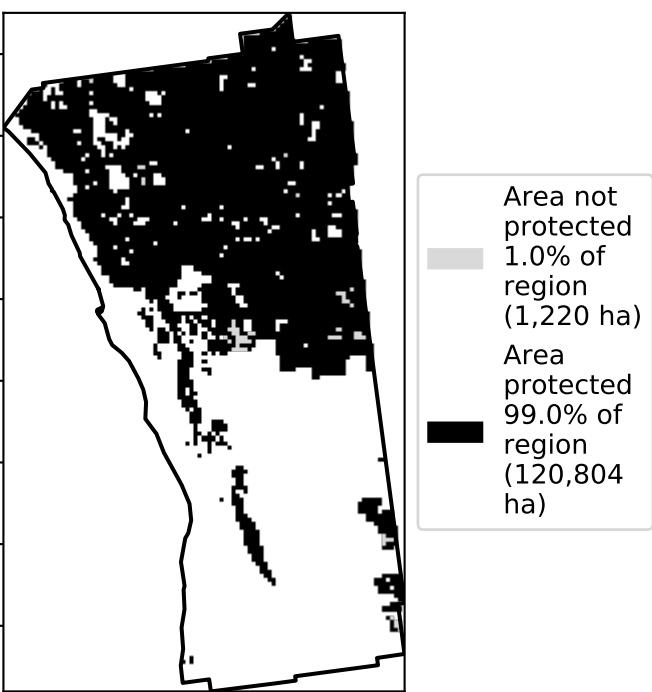
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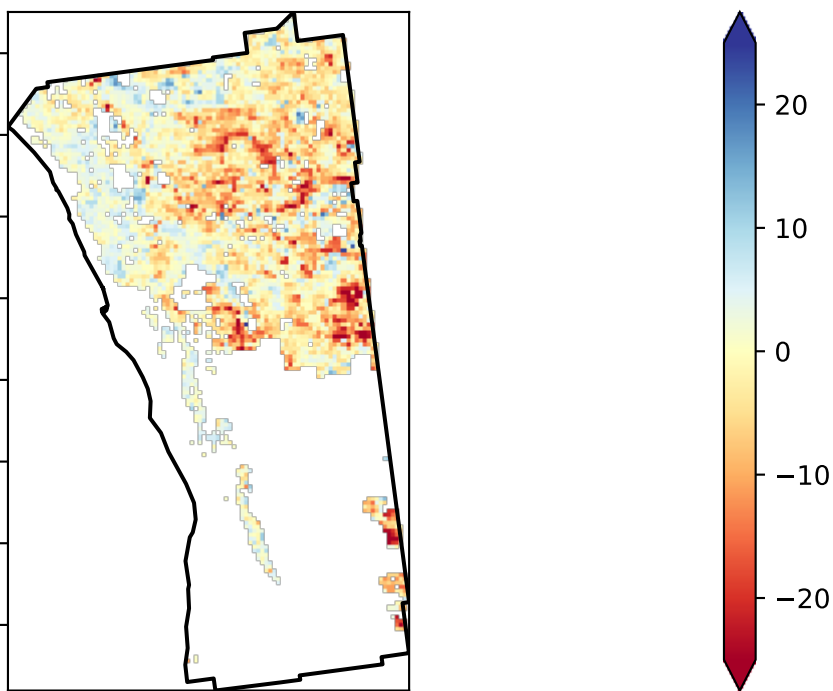


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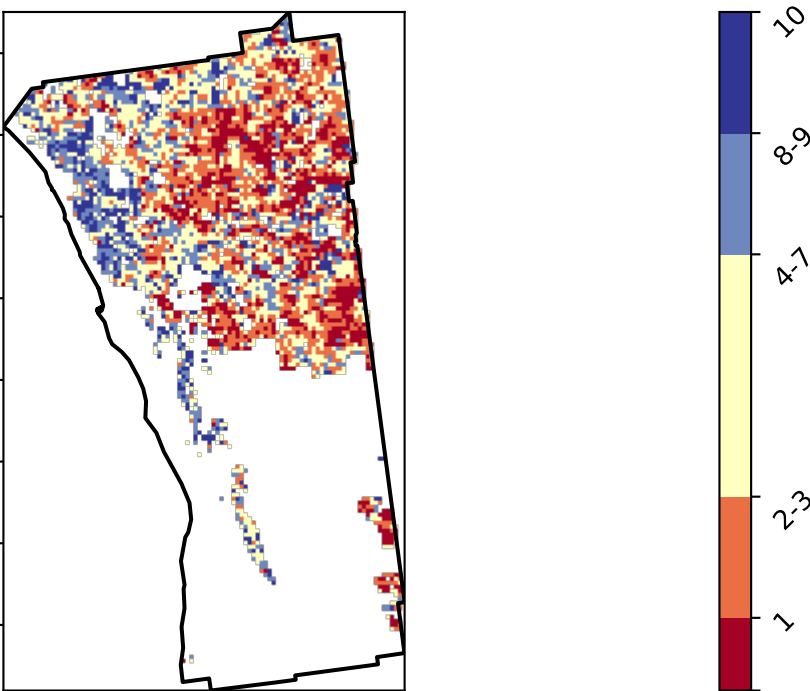
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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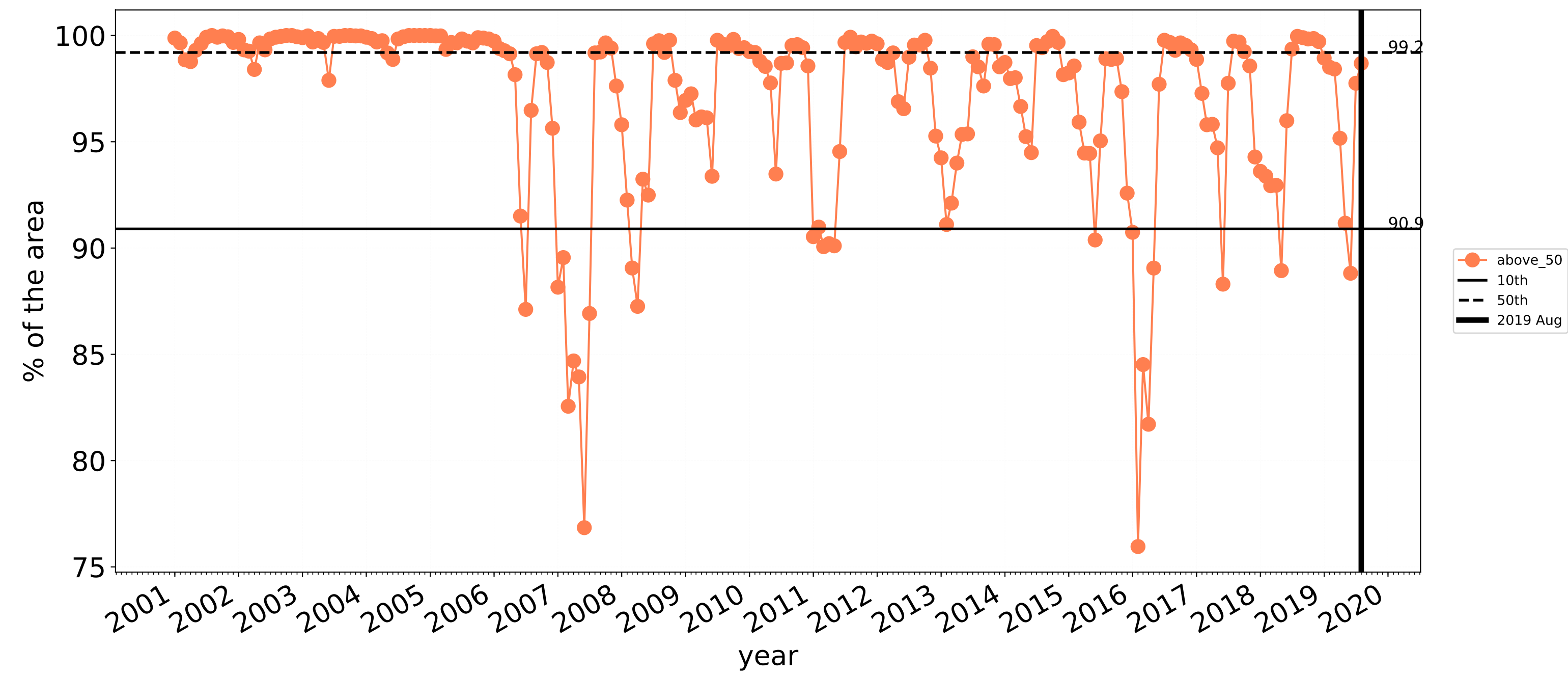
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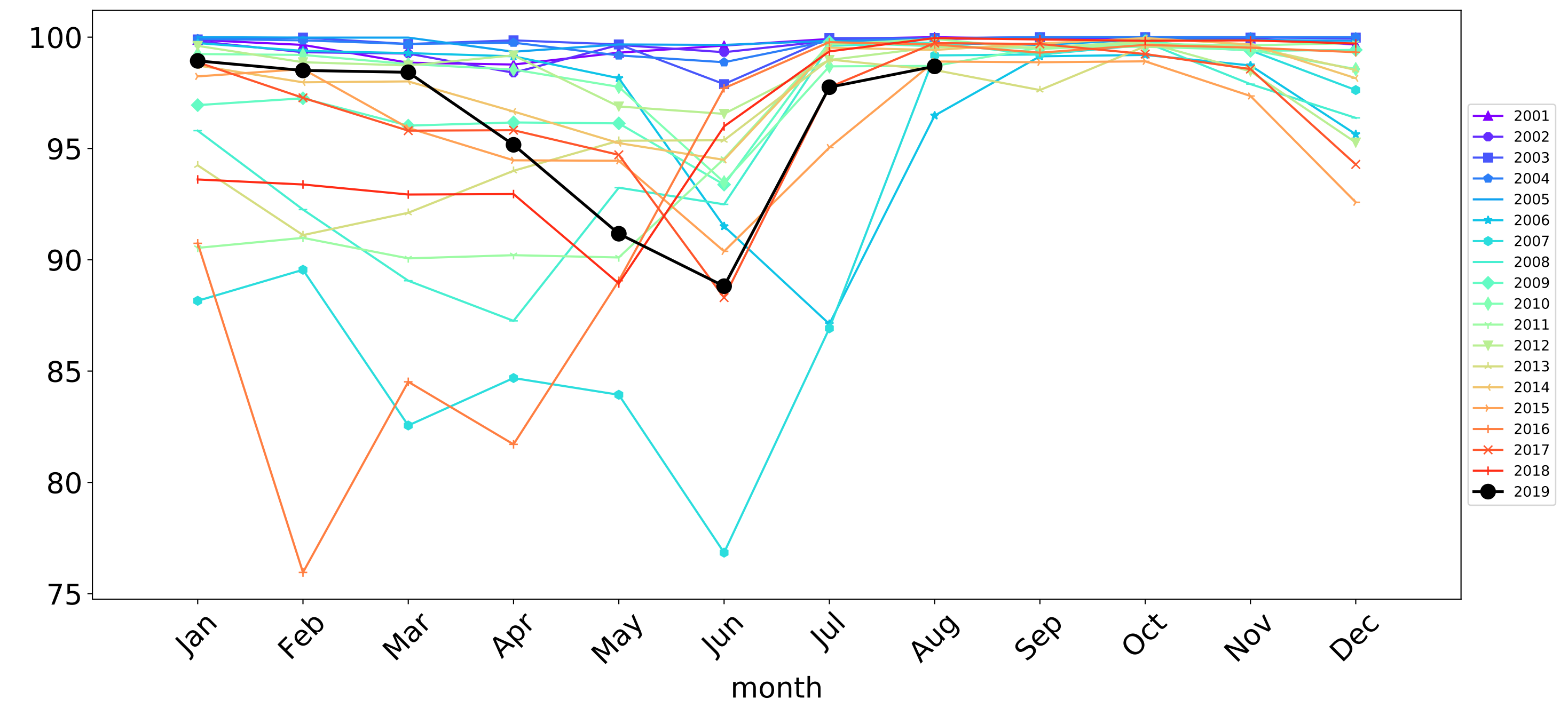
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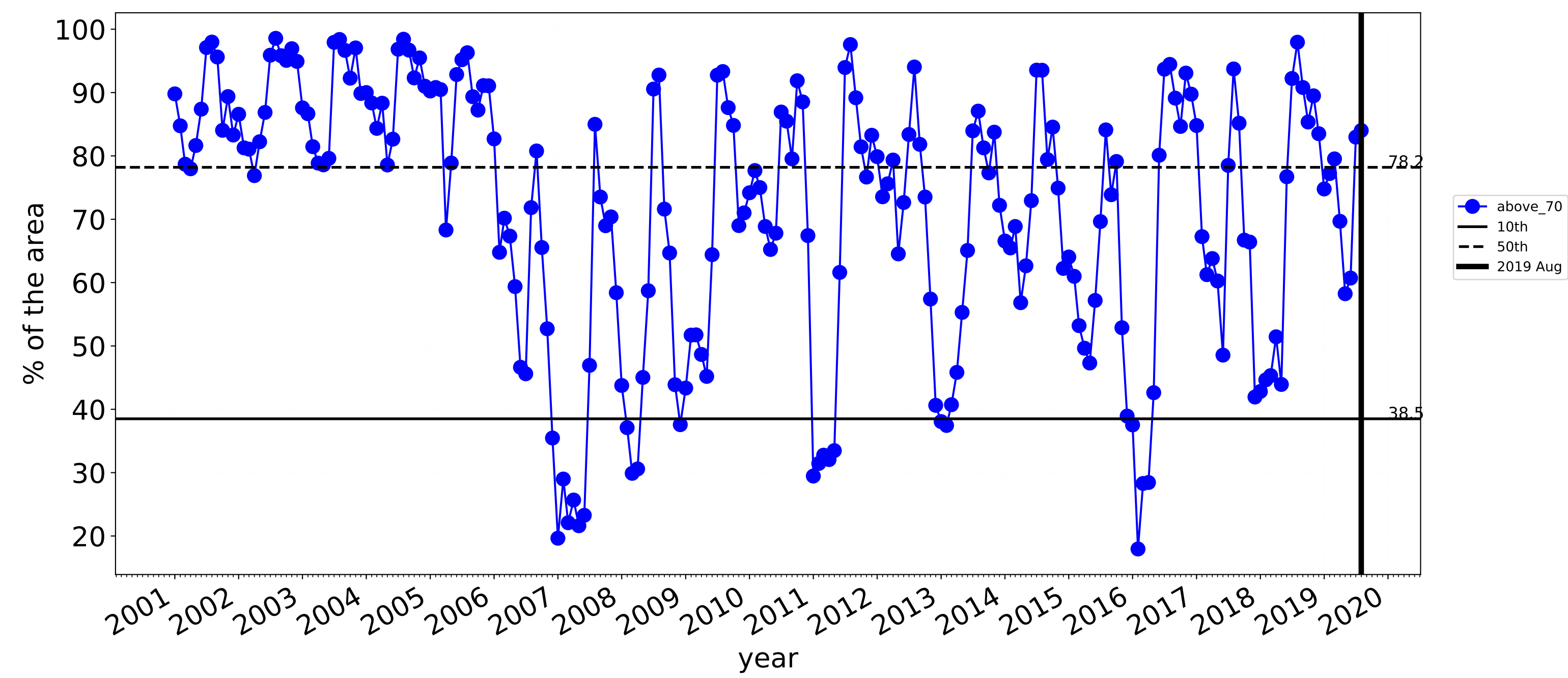
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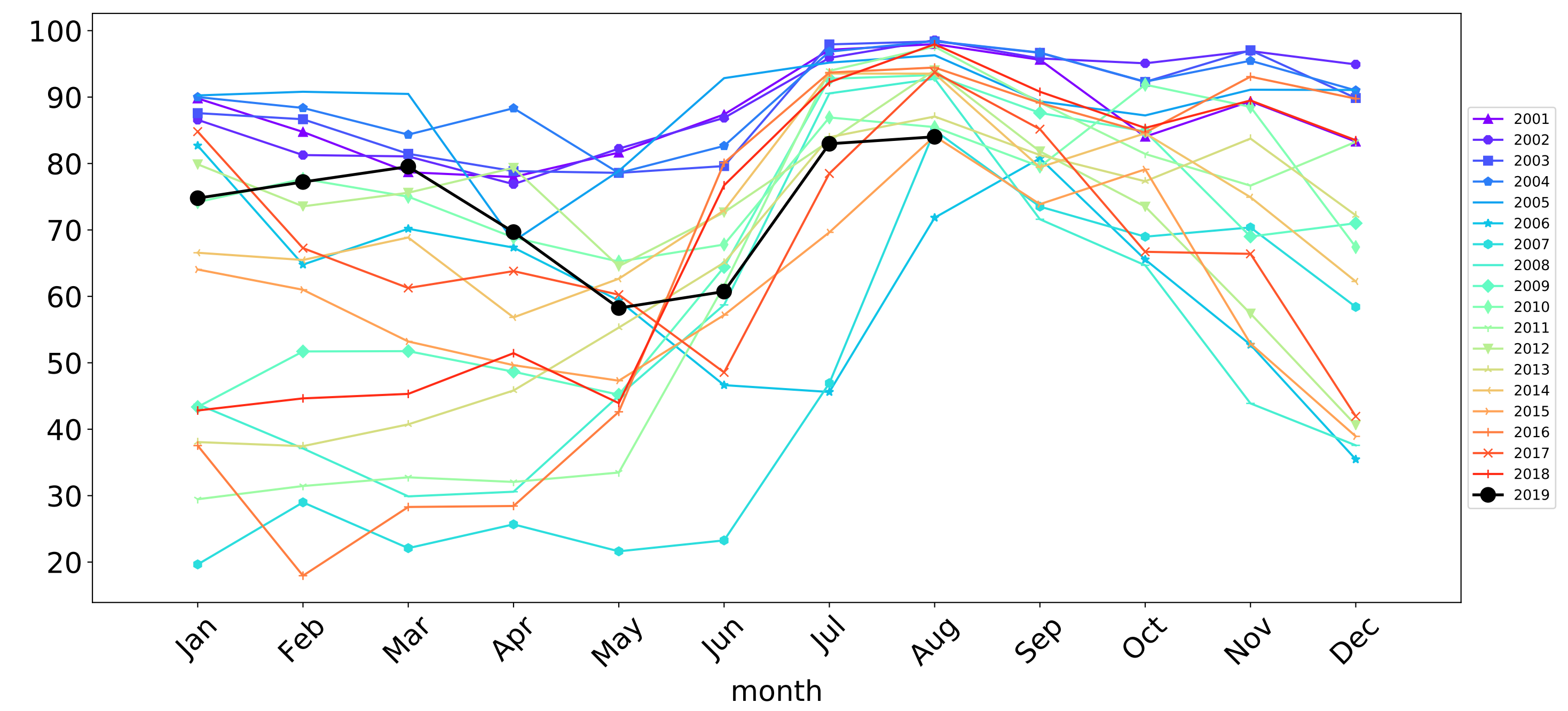
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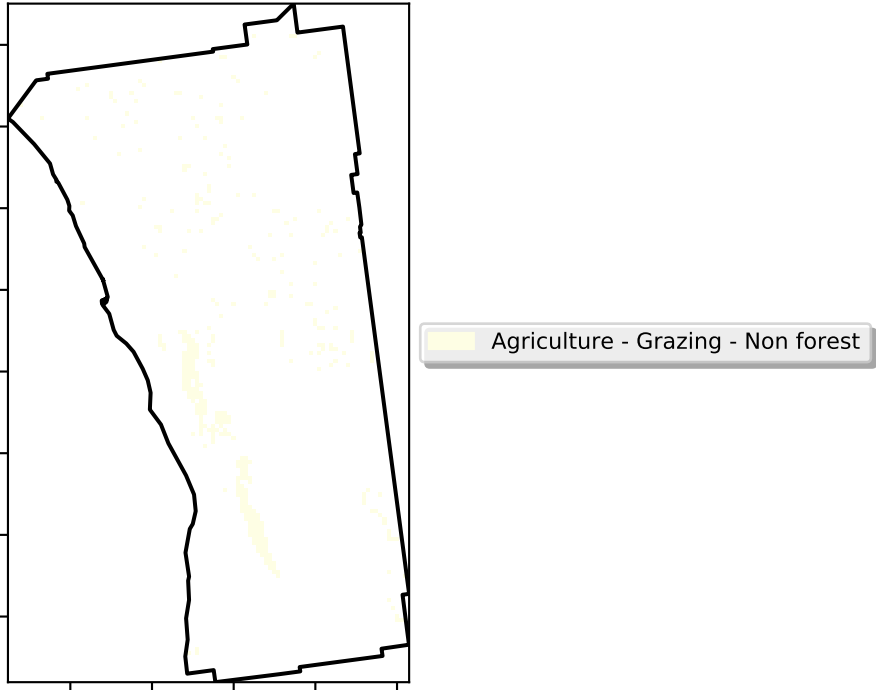
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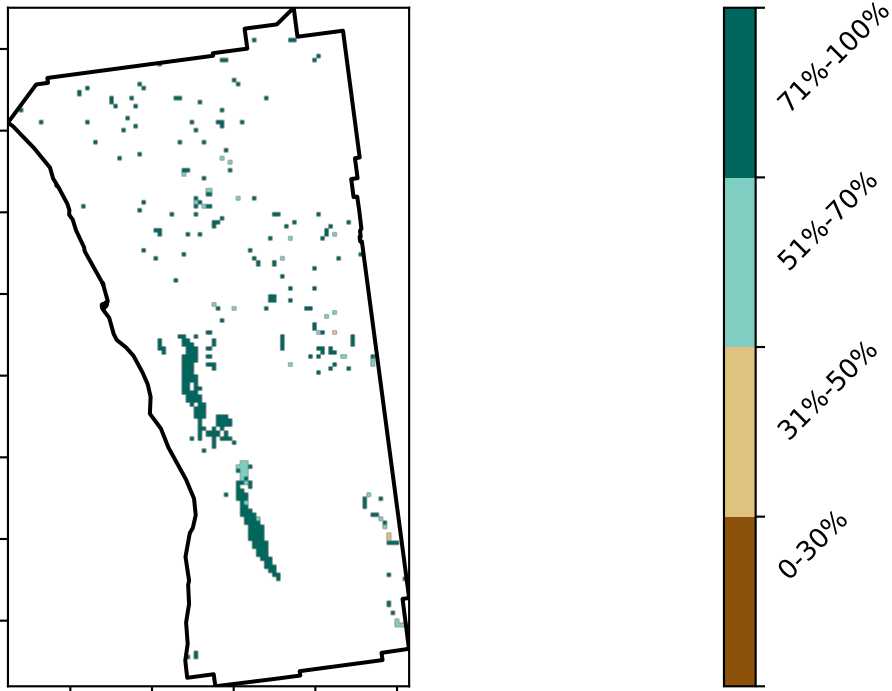
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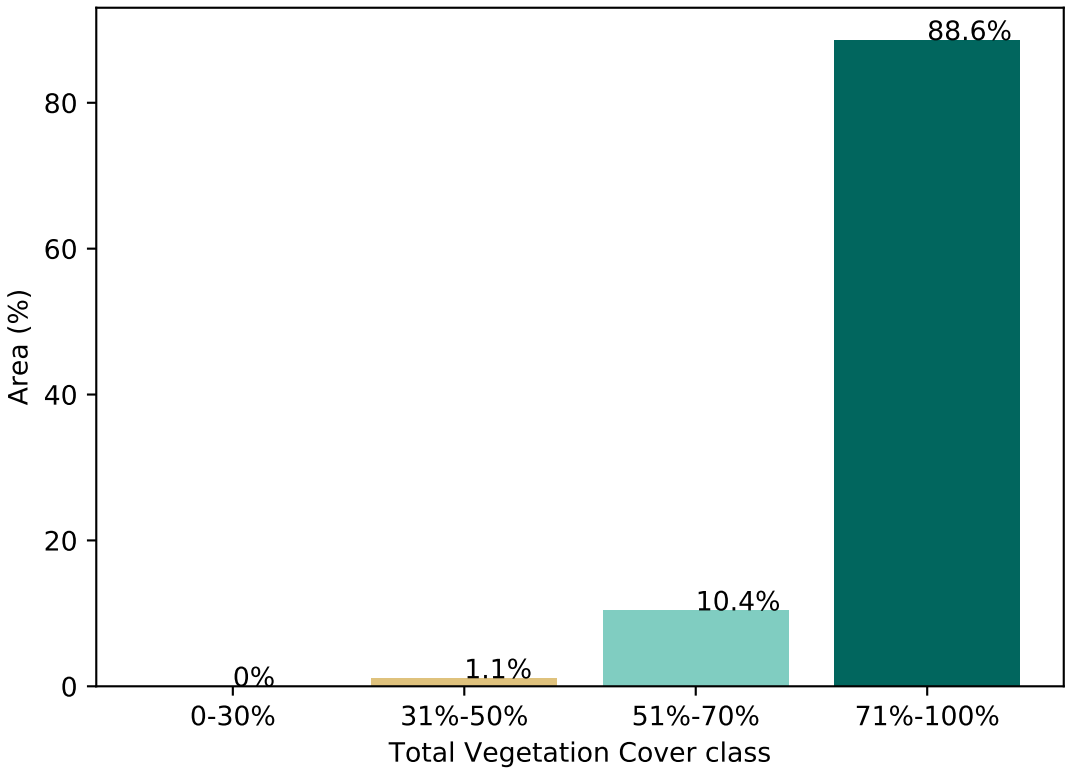
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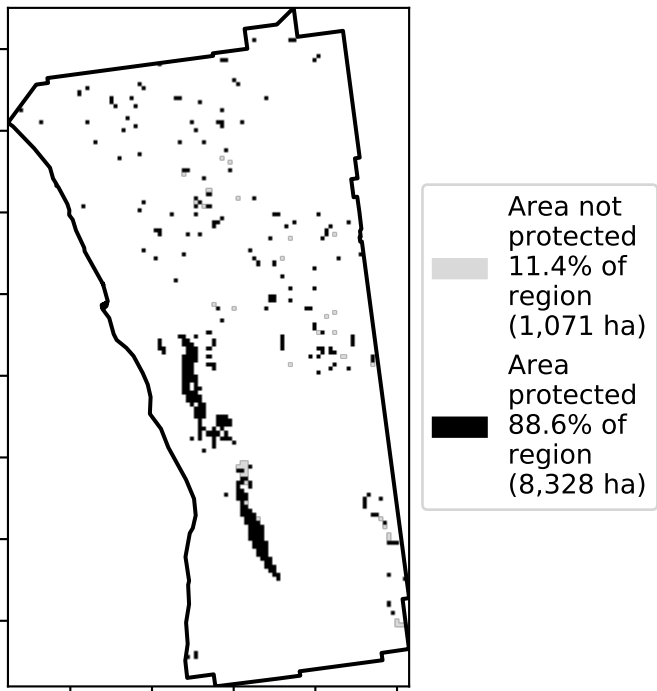
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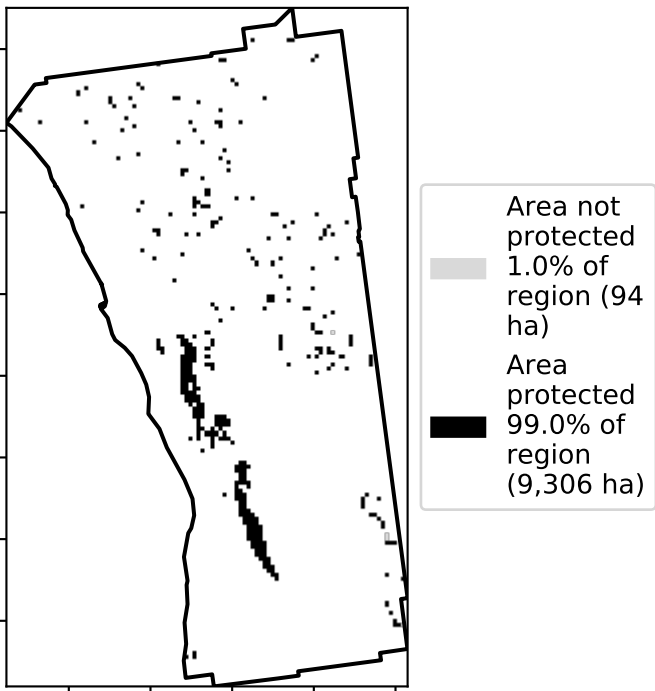
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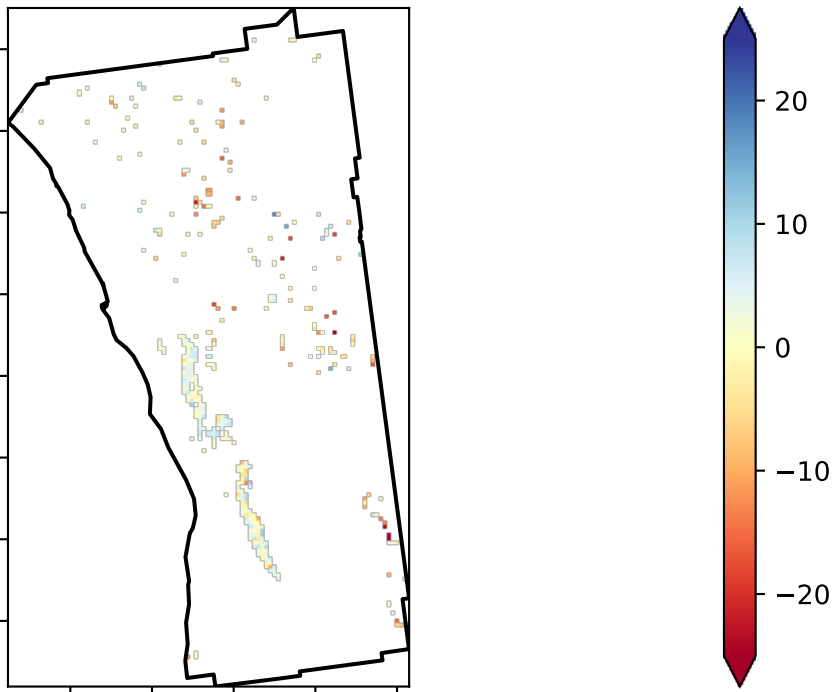


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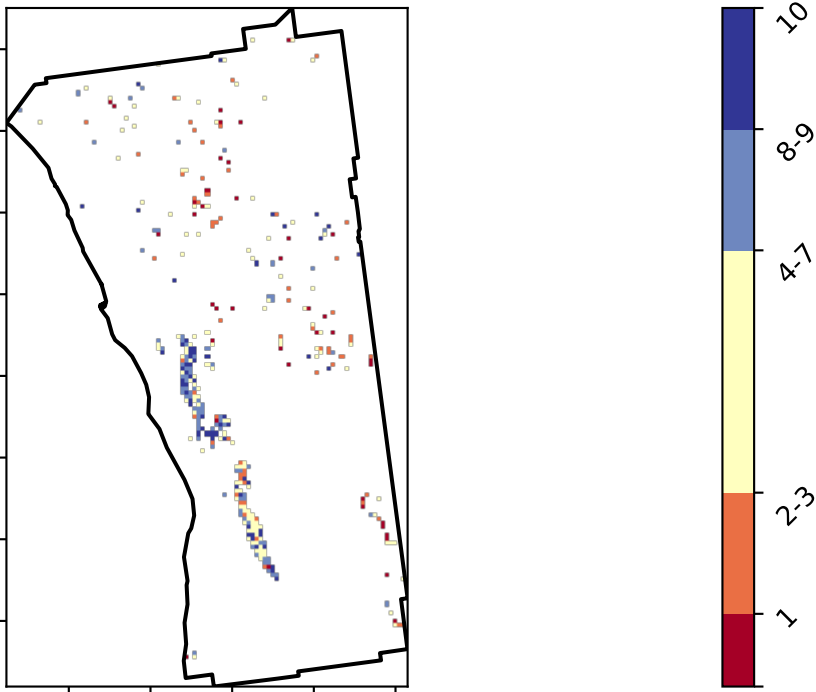
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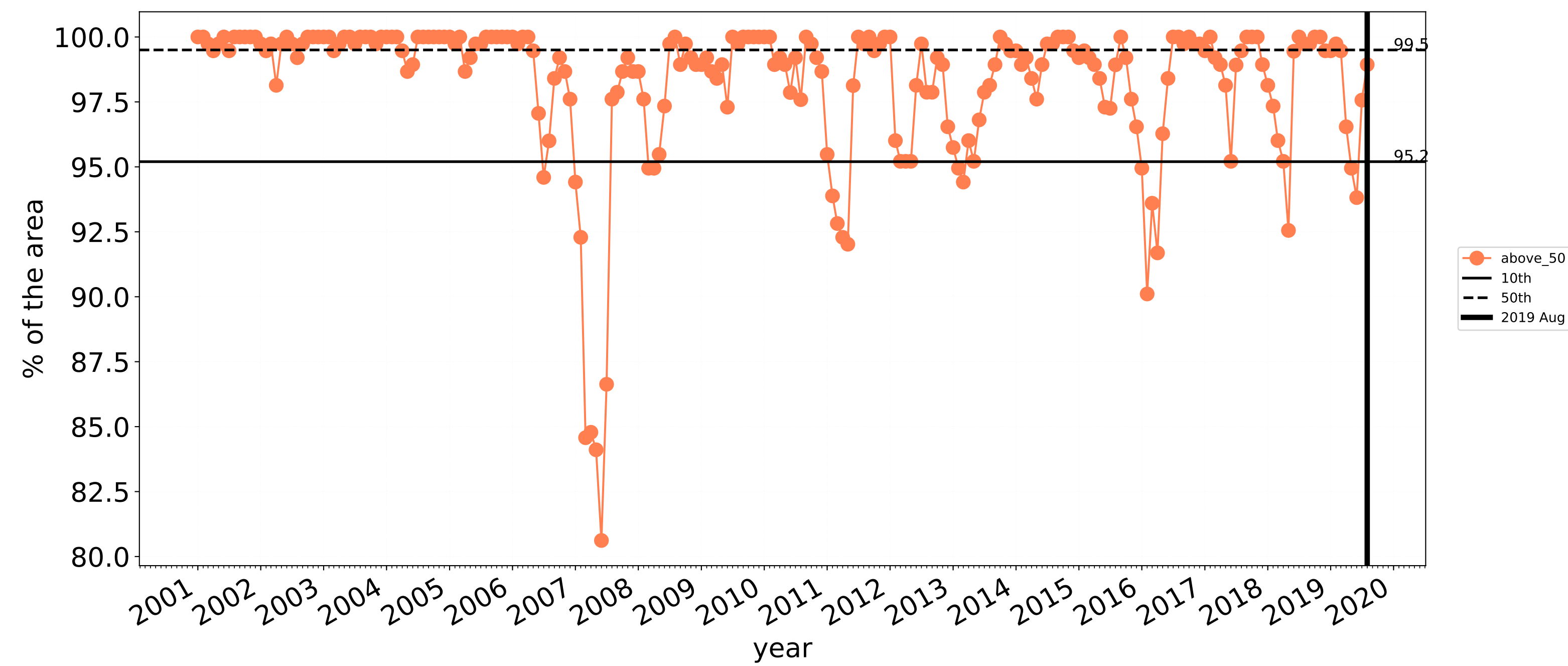
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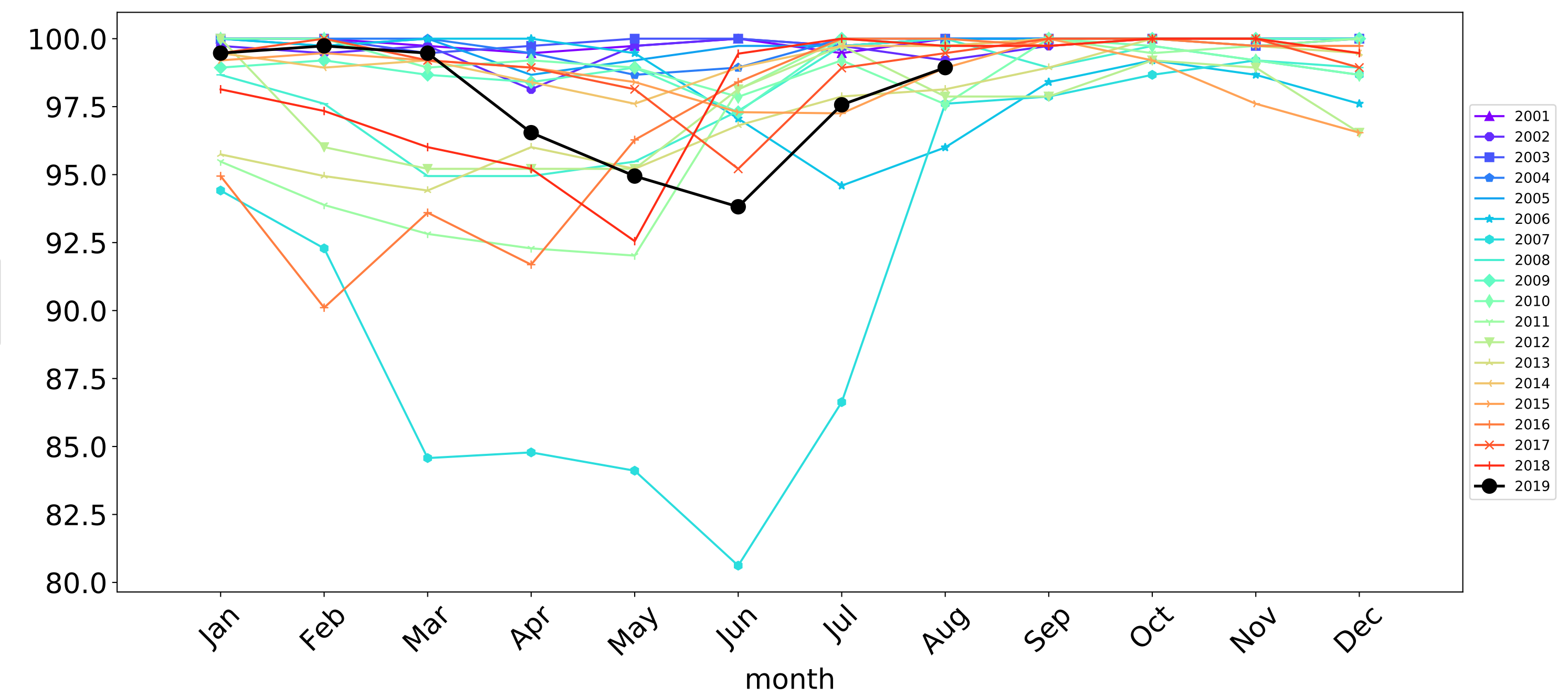
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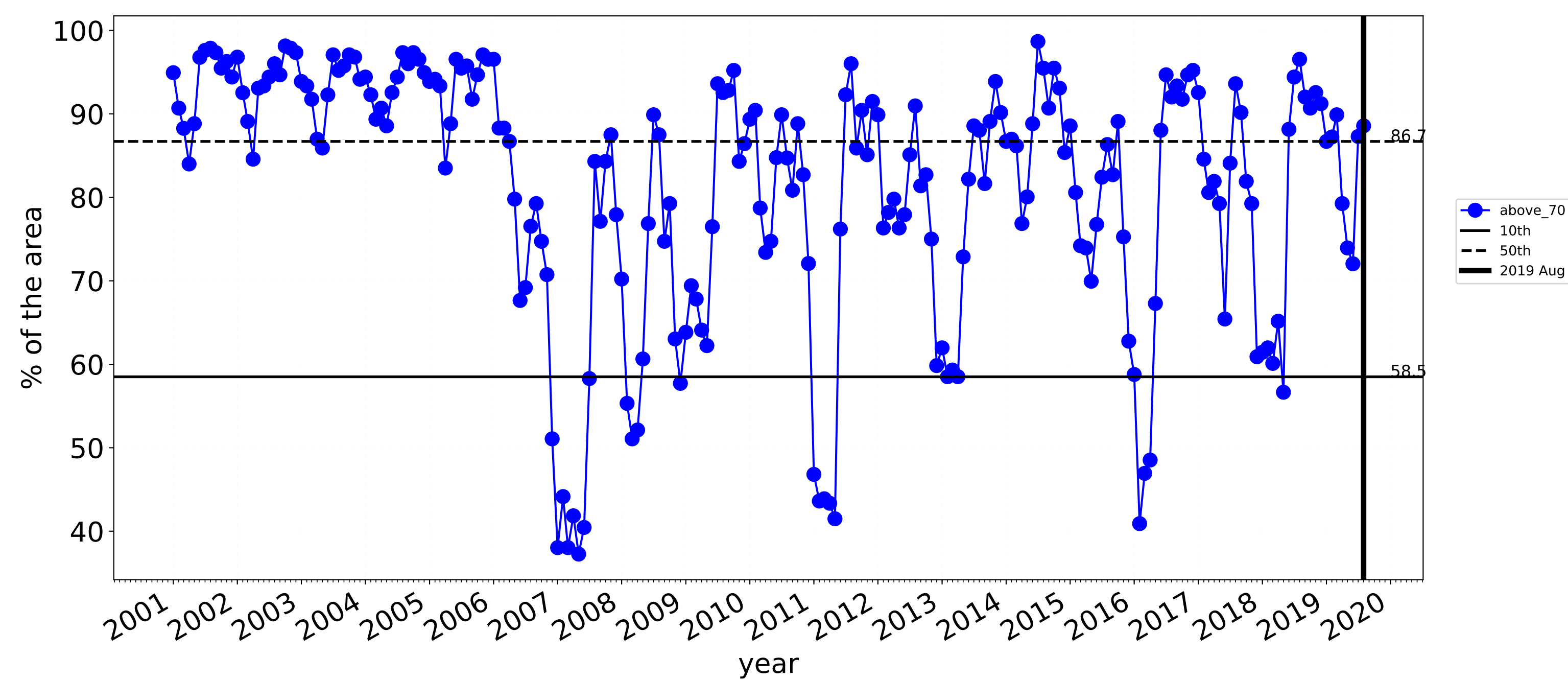
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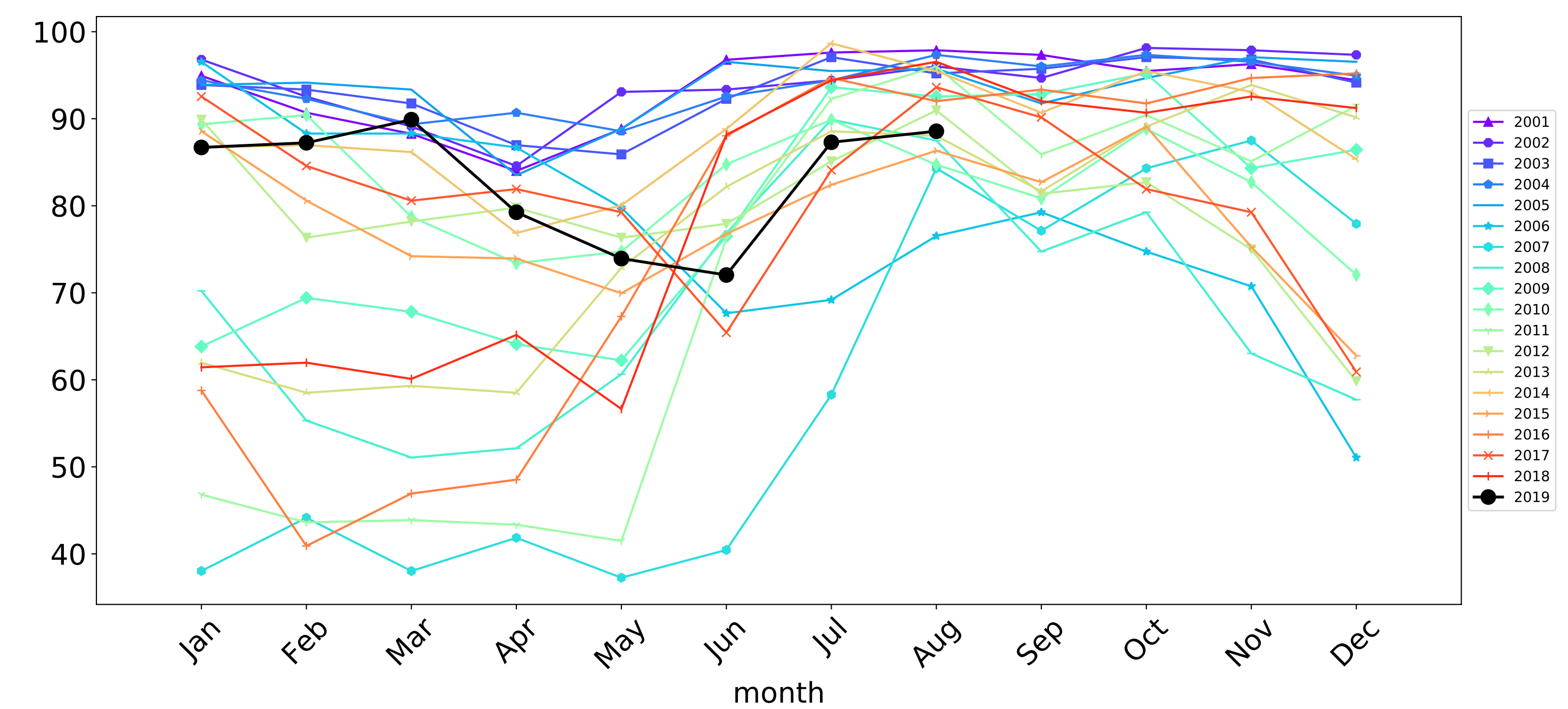
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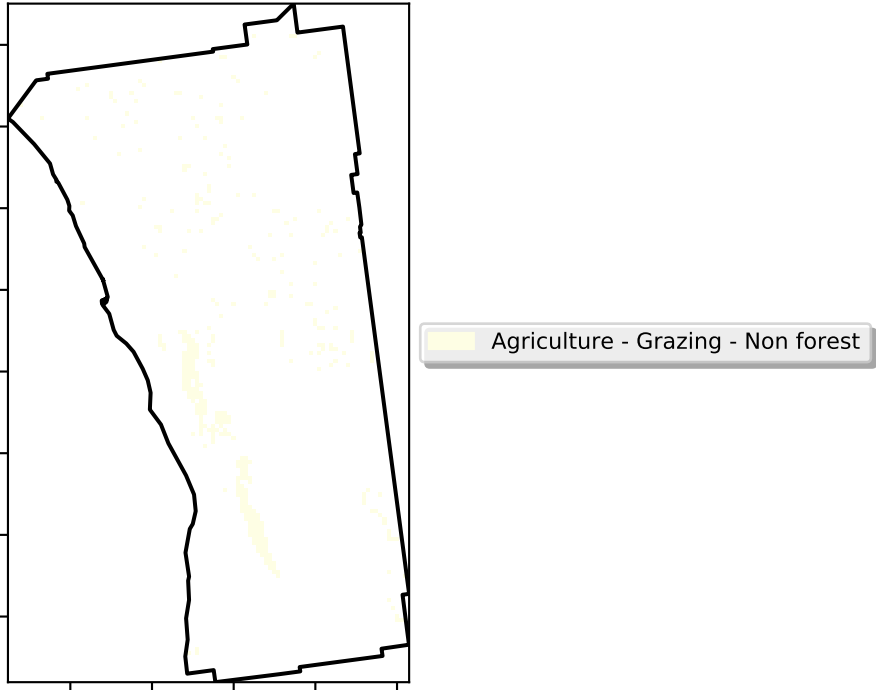
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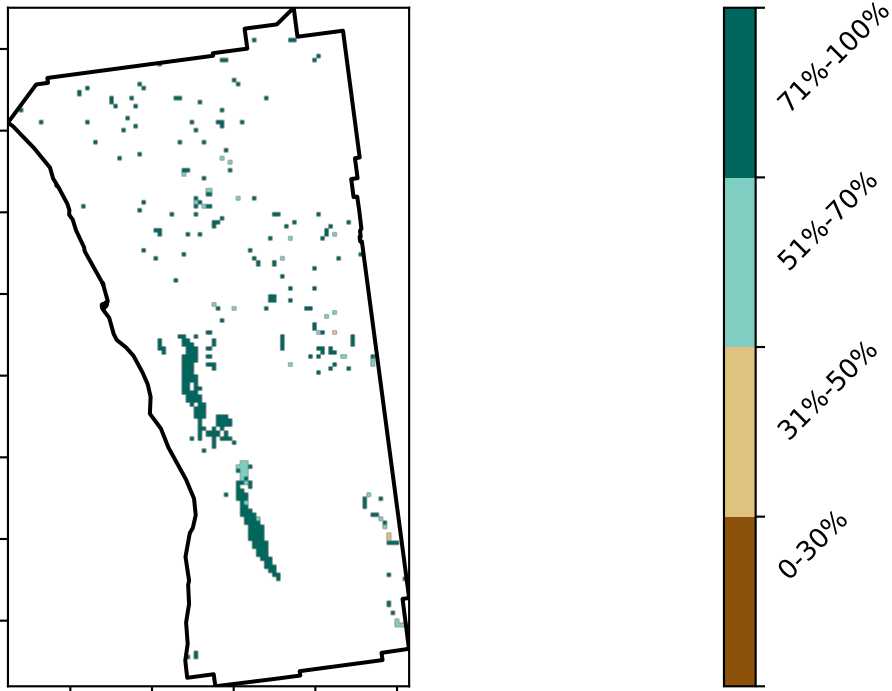
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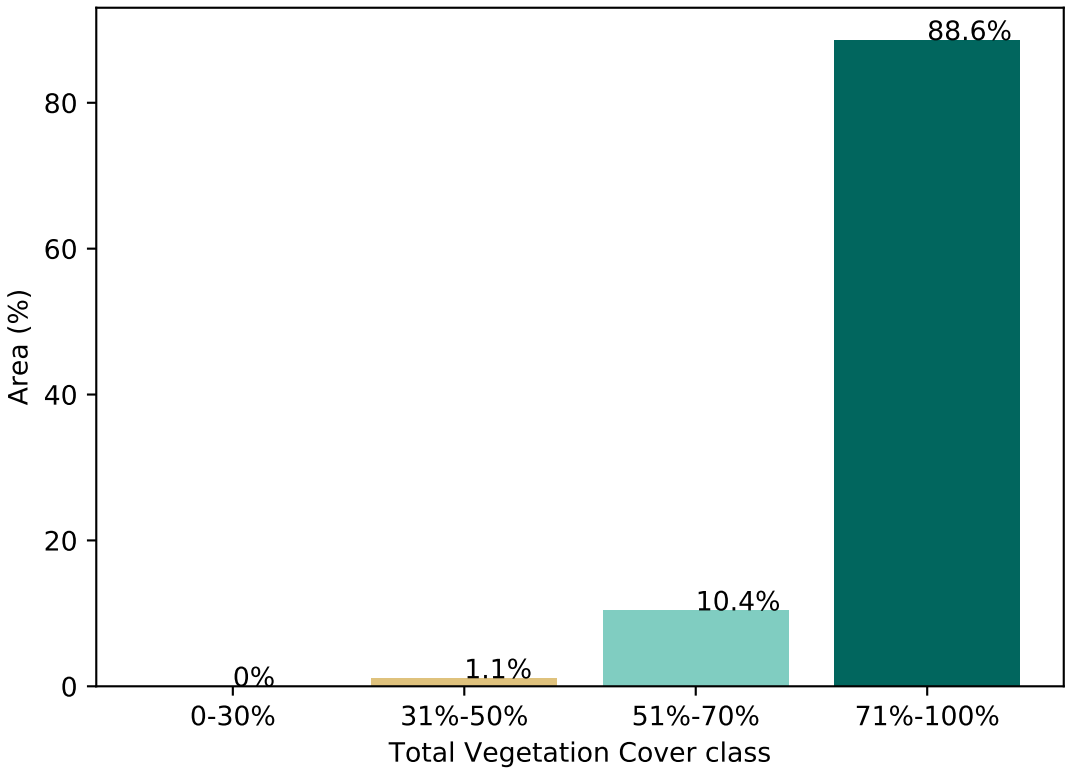
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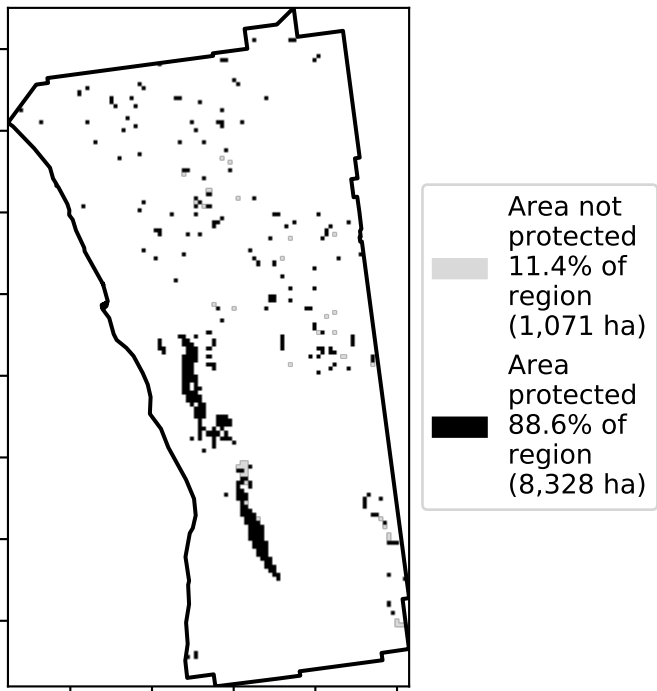
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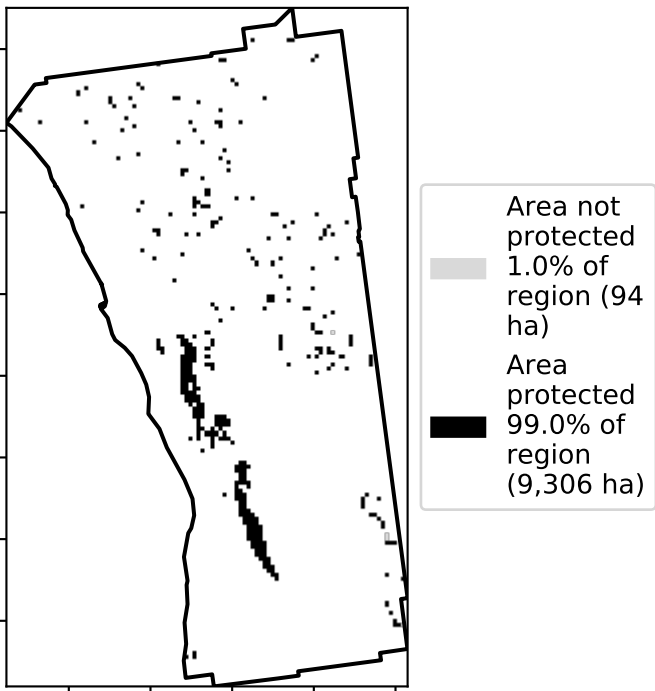
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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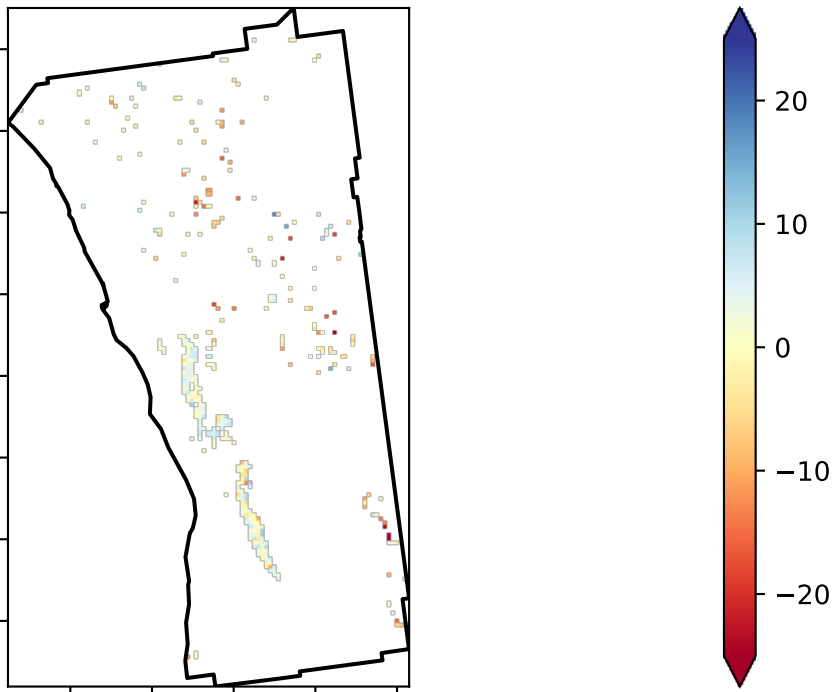


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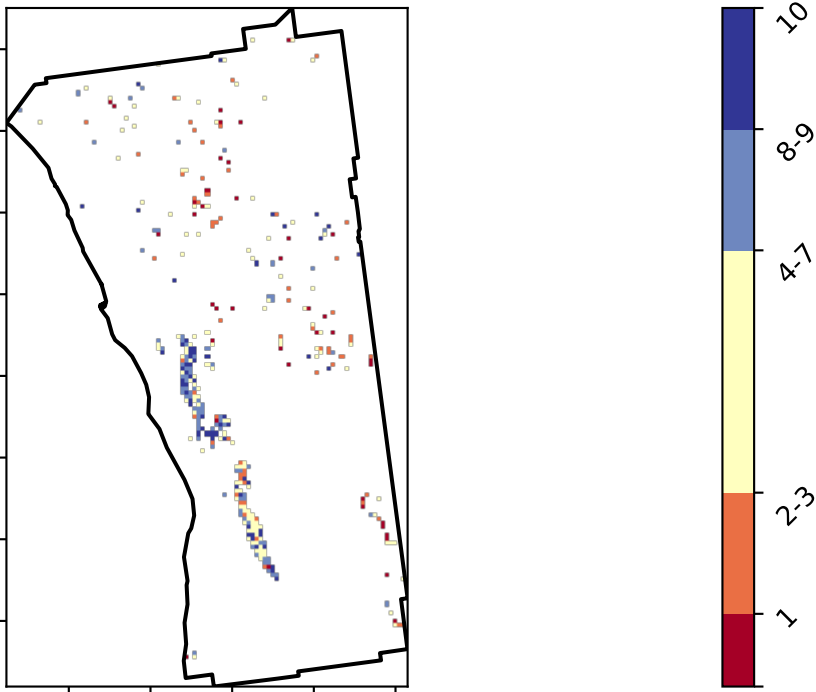
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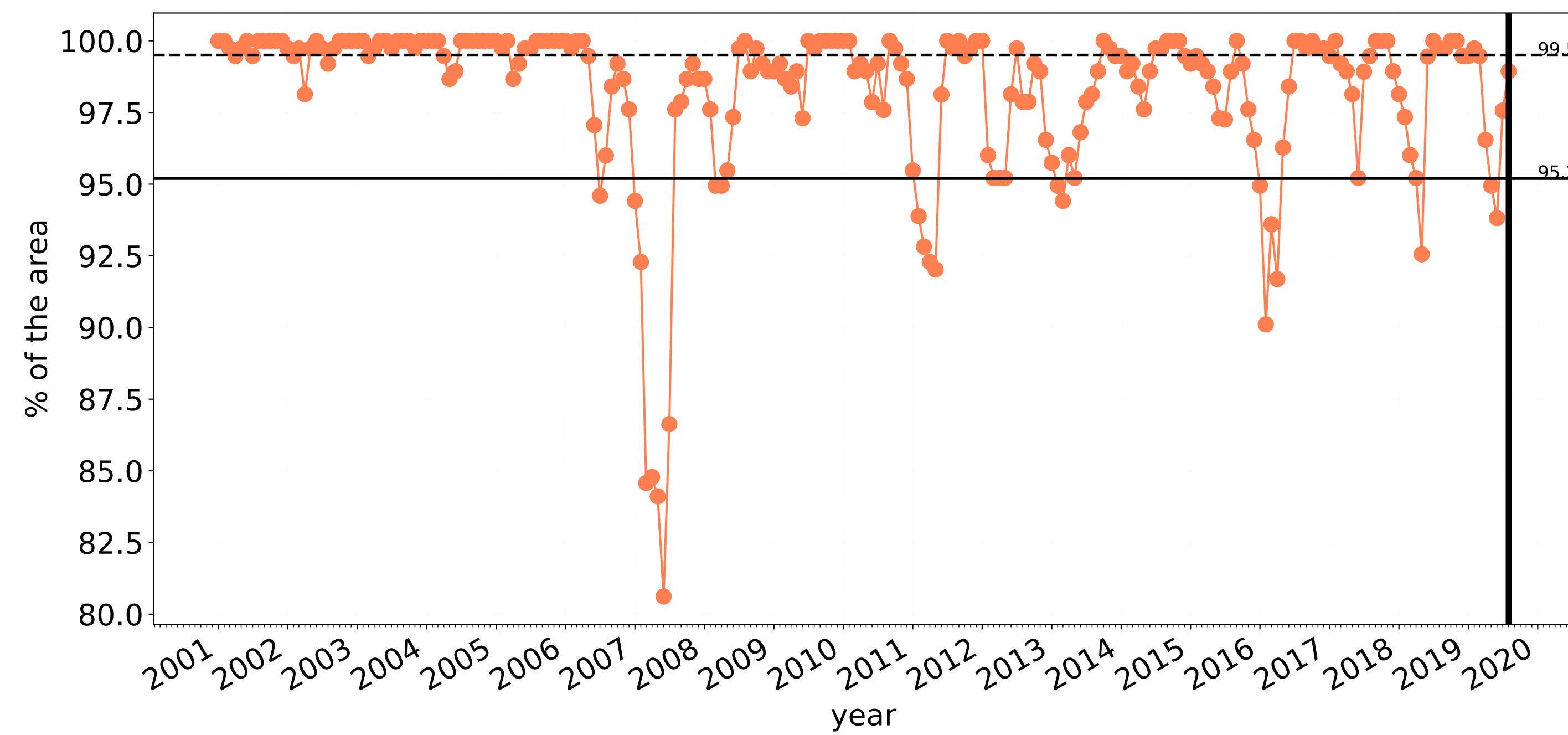
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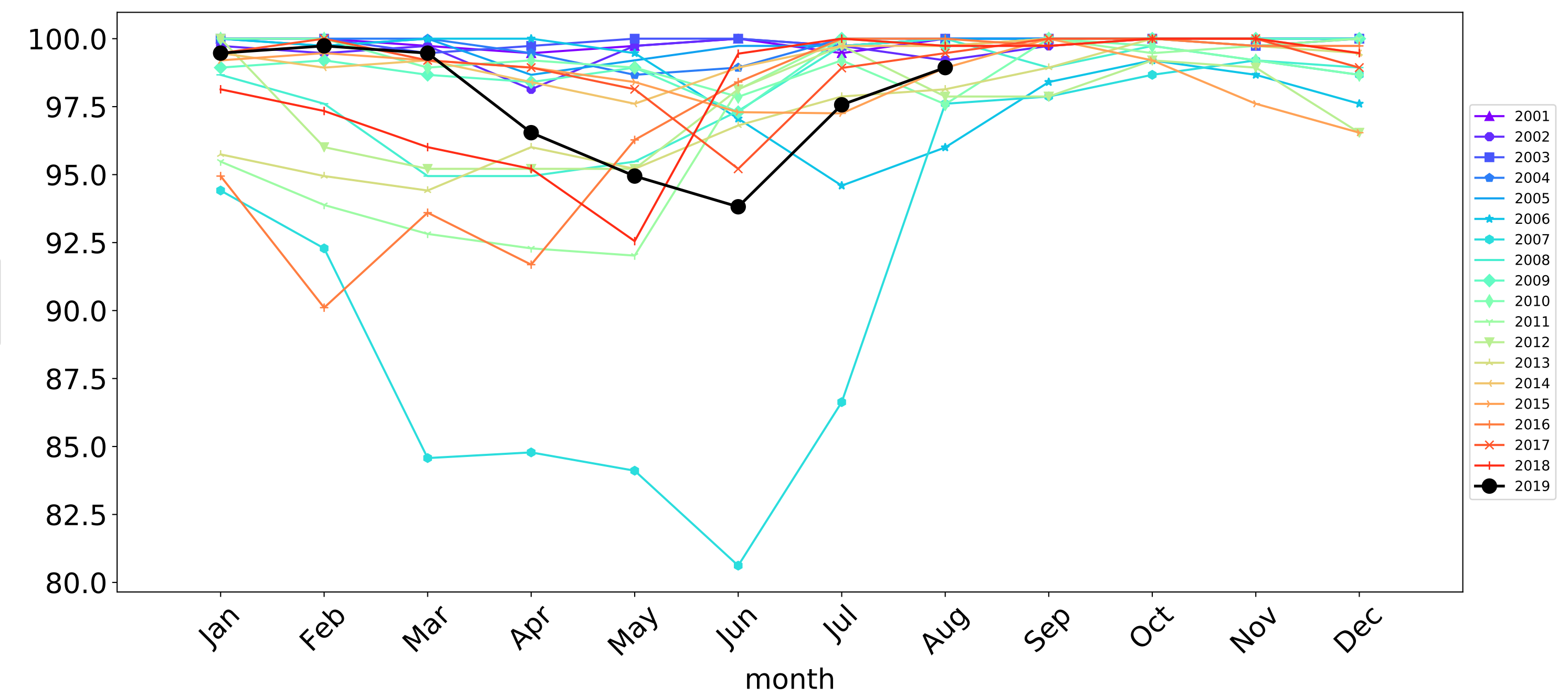
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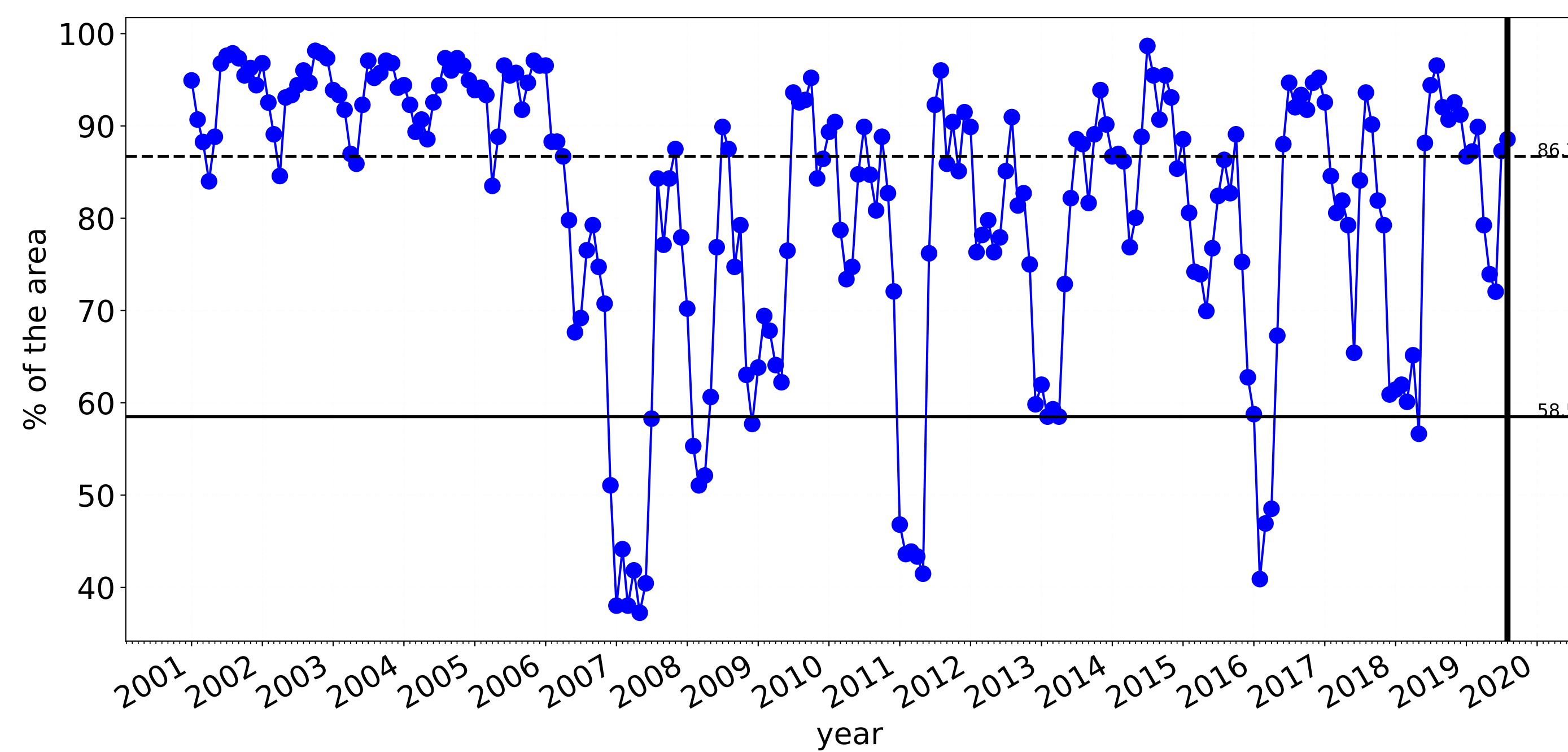
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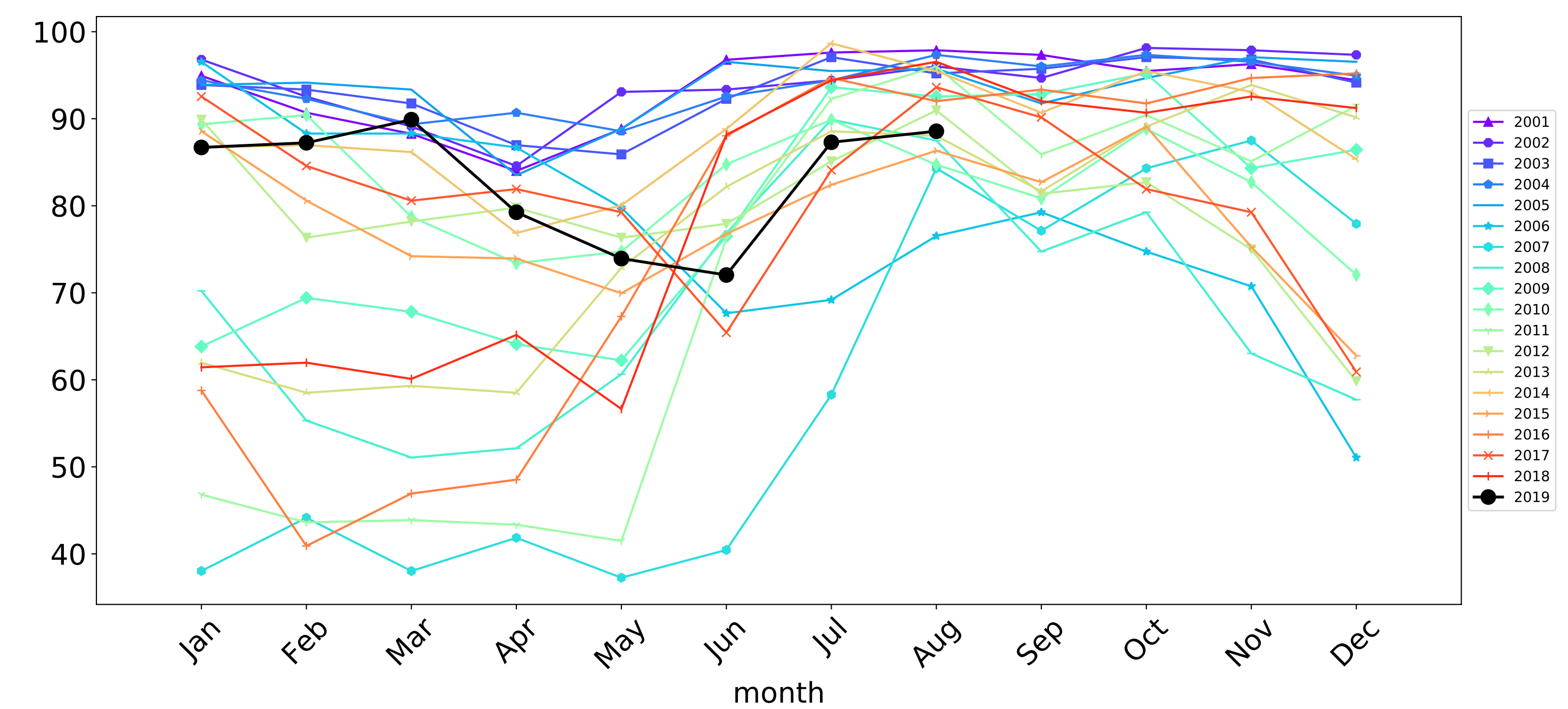
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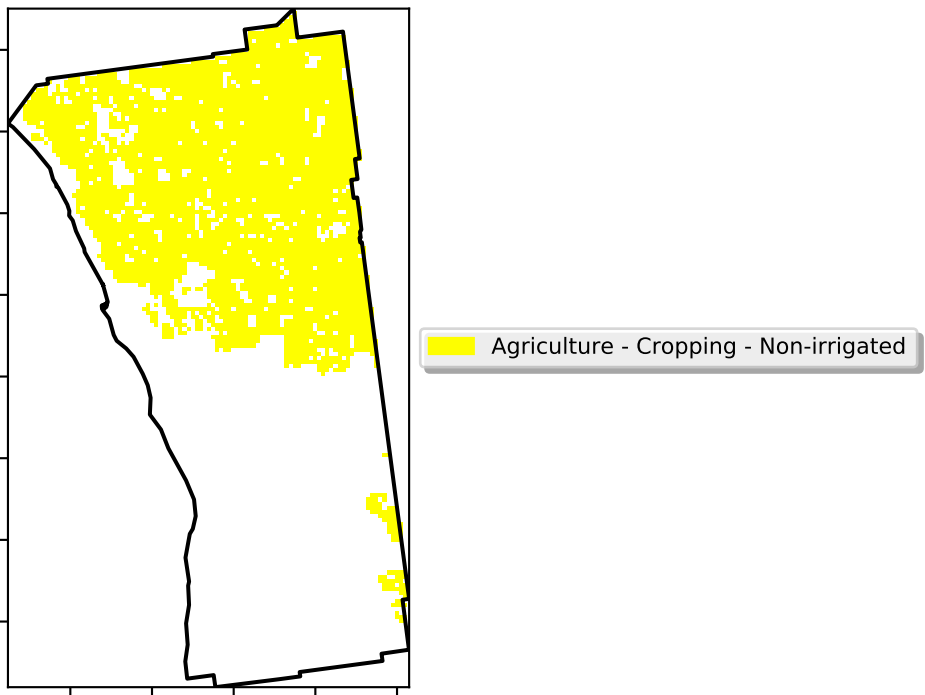
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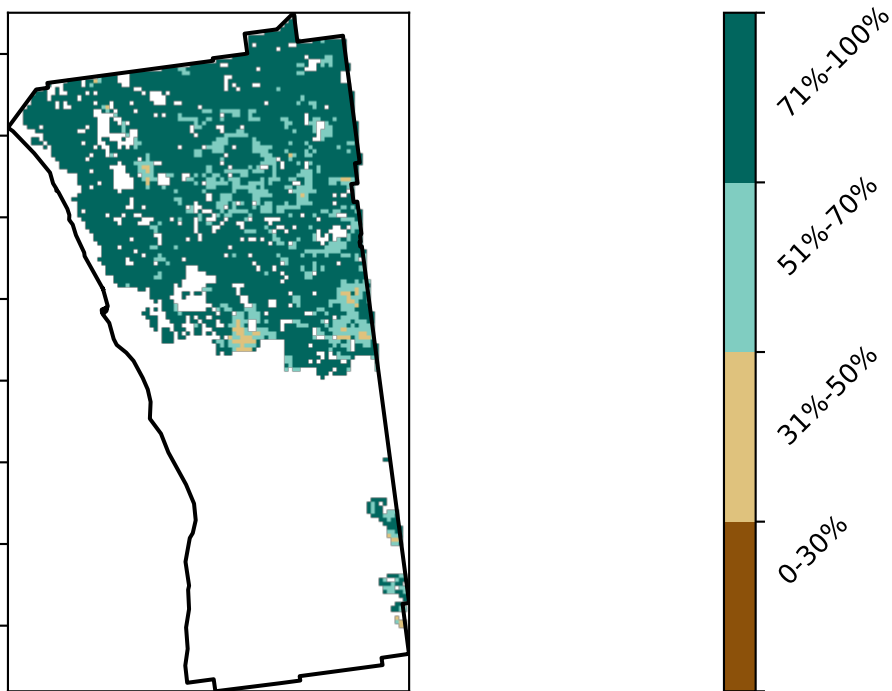
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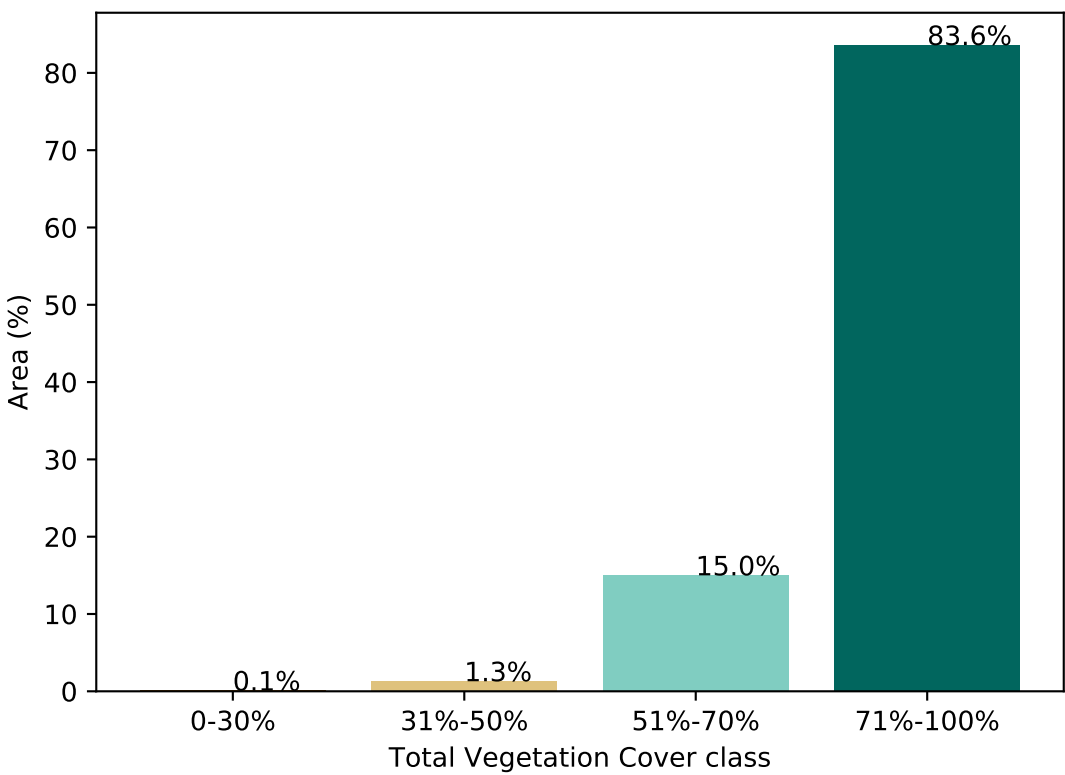
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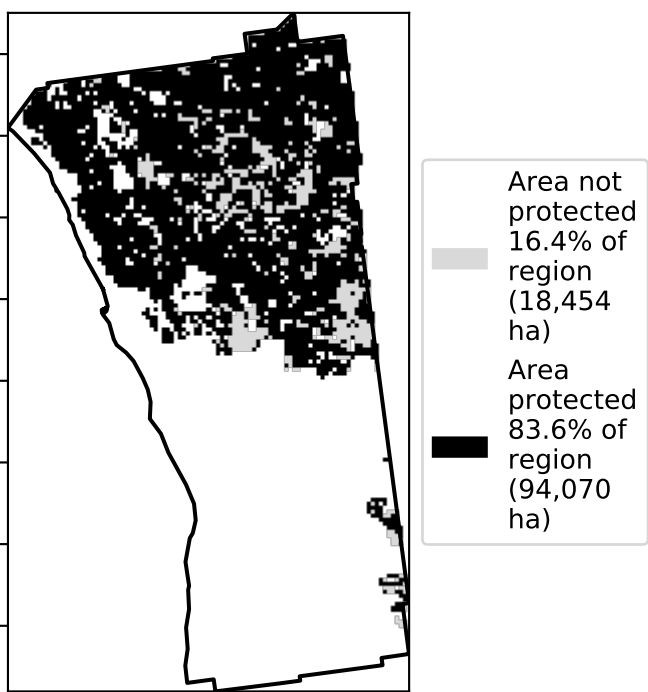
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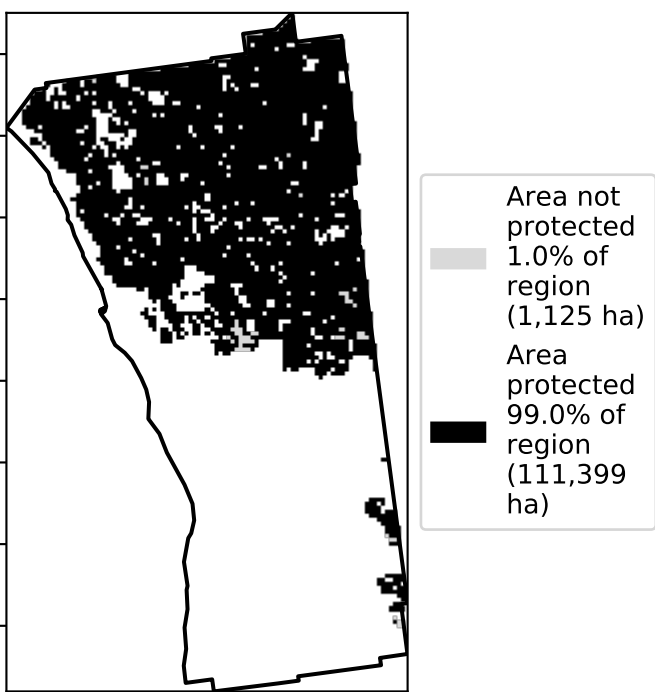
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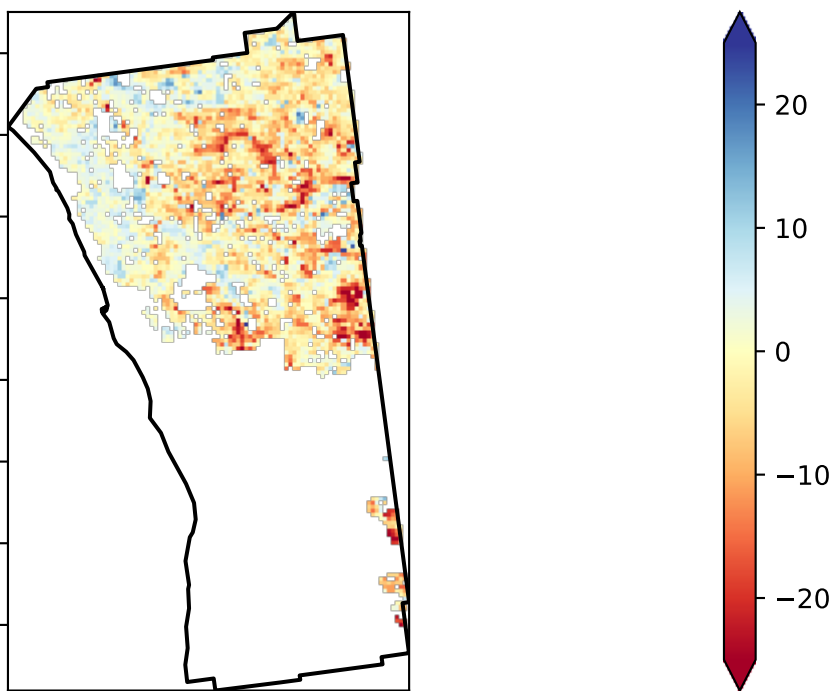


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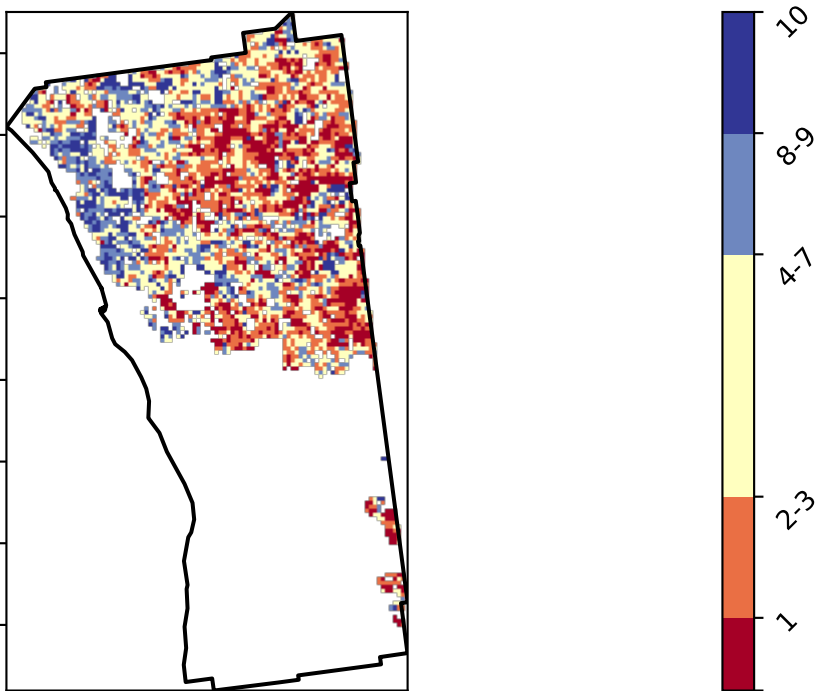
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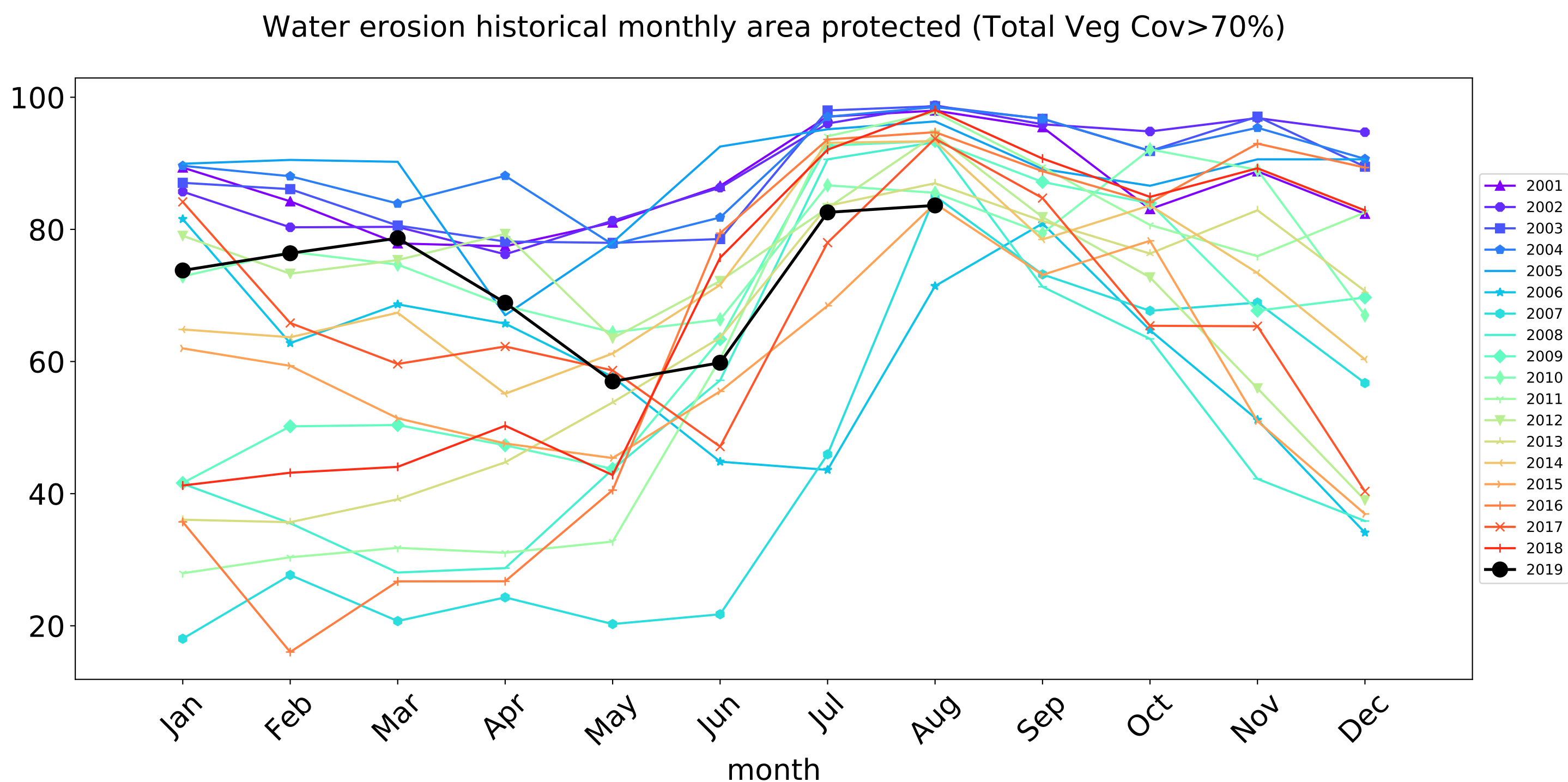
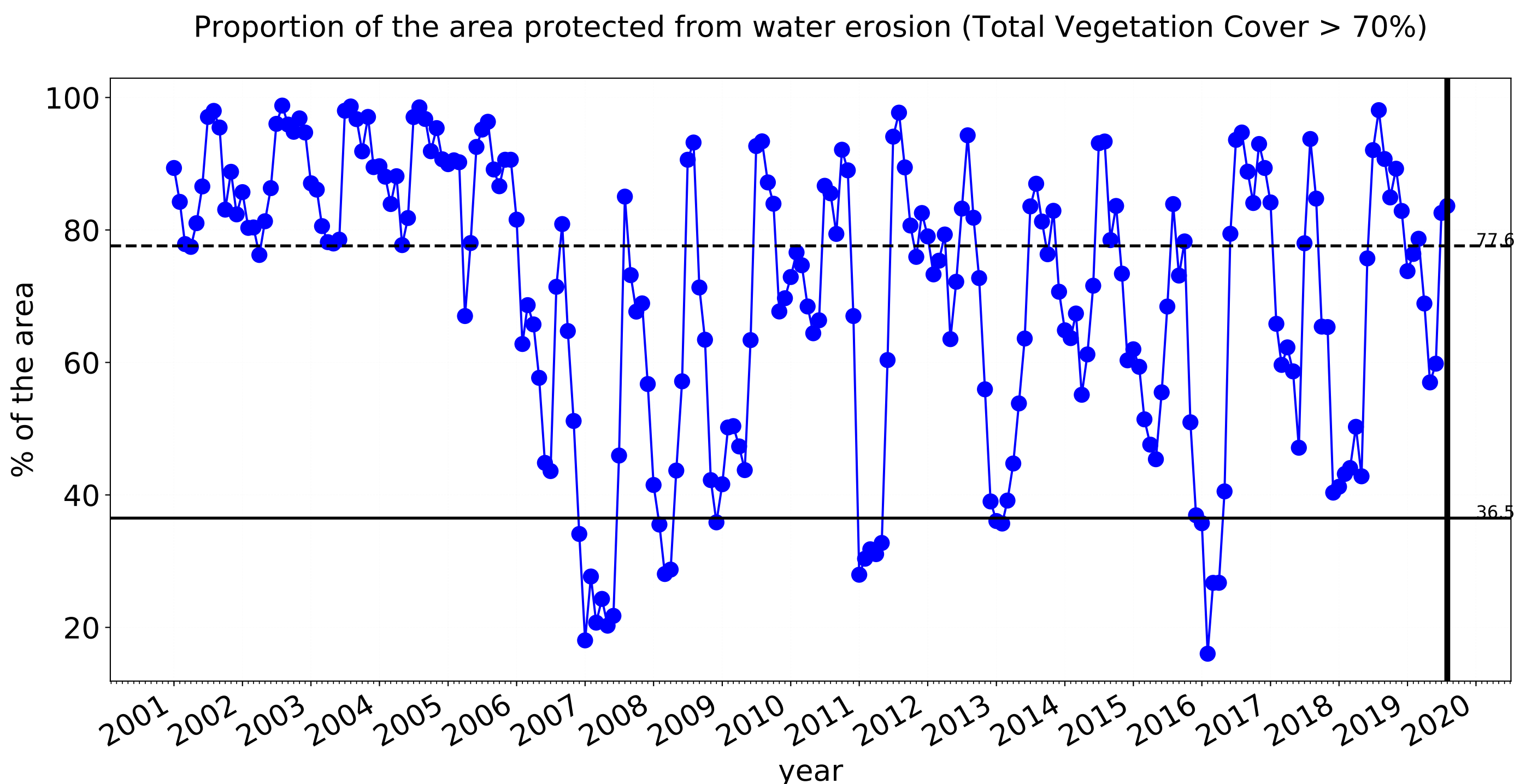
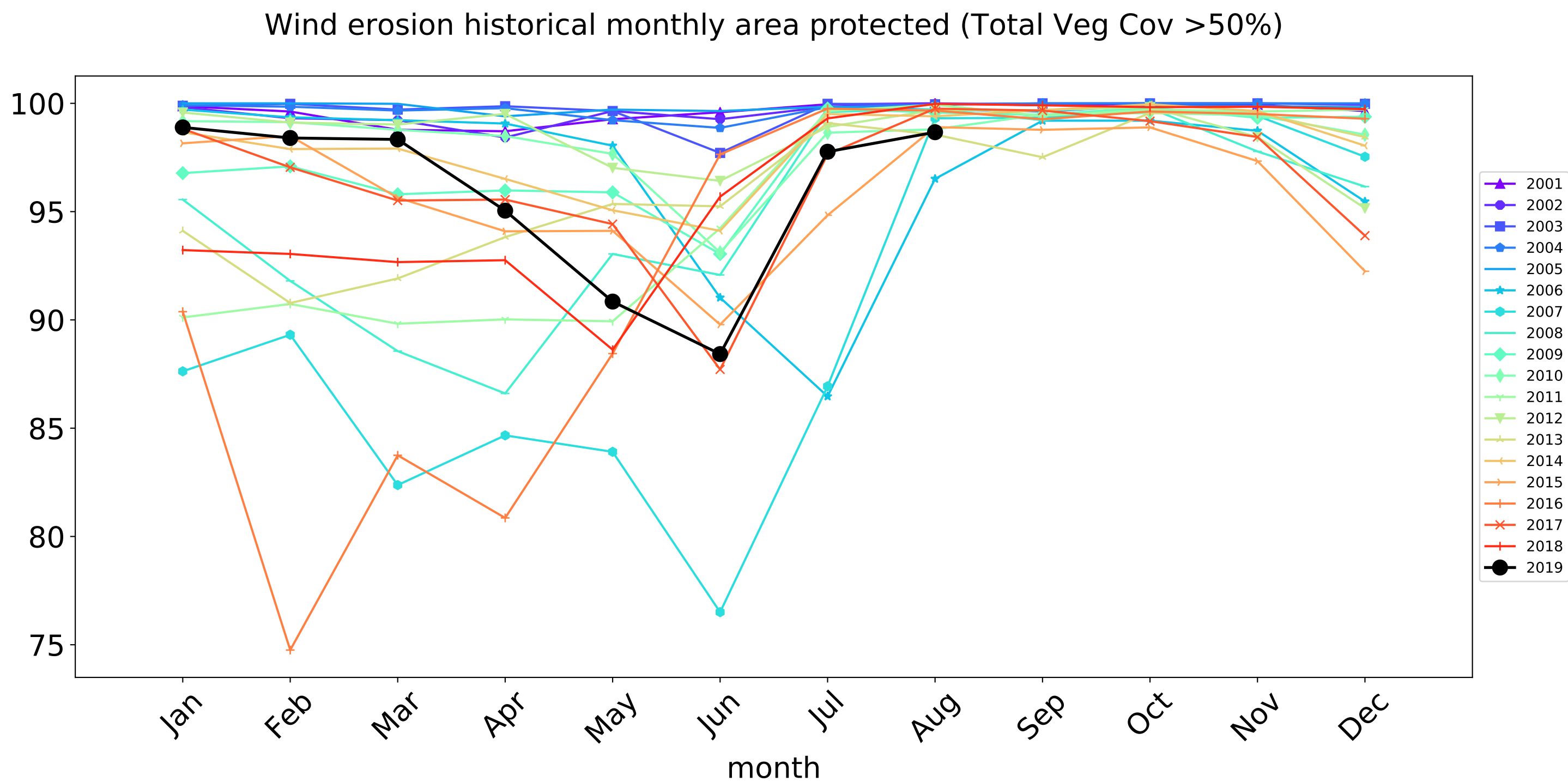
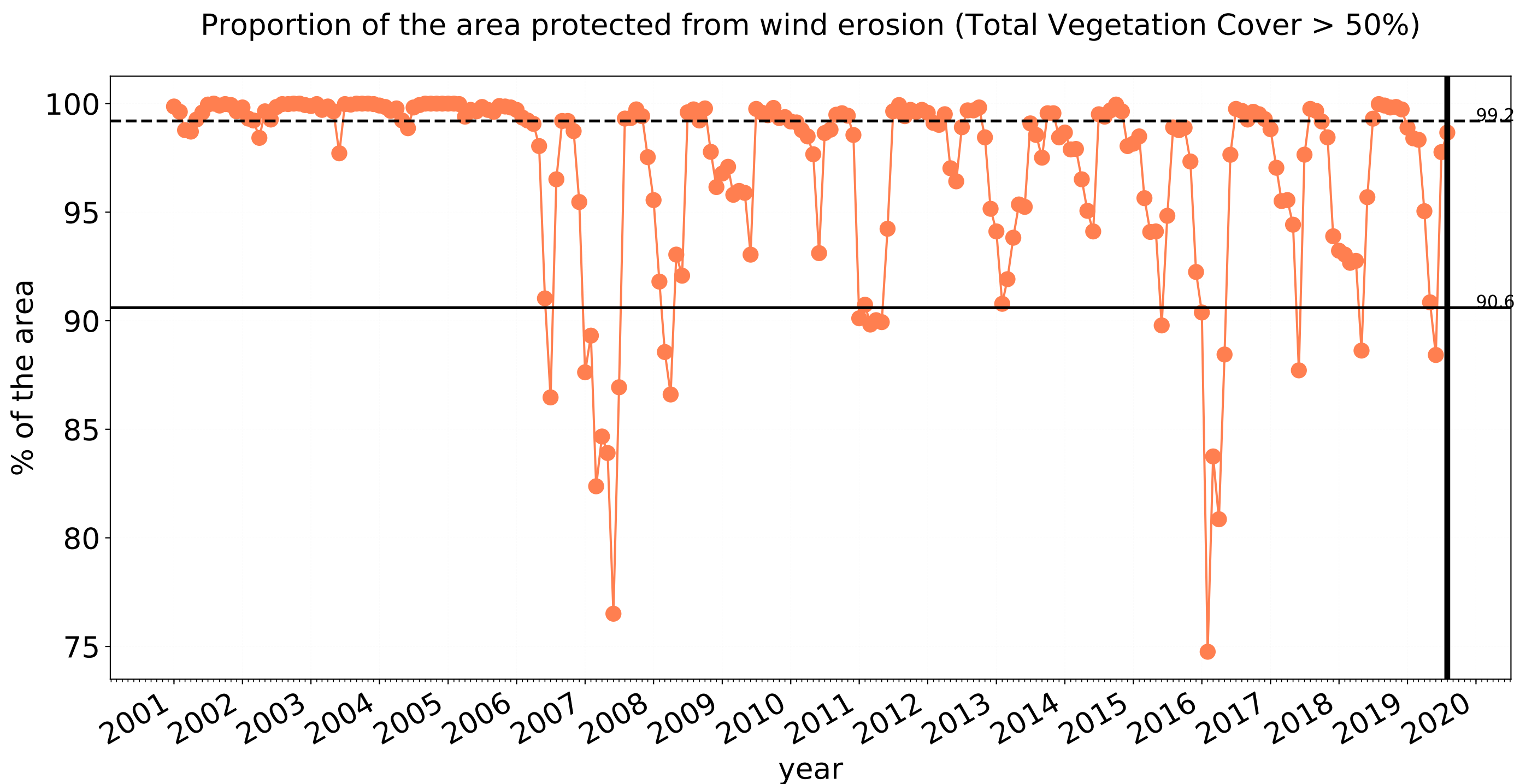


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Irwin_(S) (234,125 ha and no data 2,849 ha) Percentage area and hectares protected with TVC threshold 30,50,70,80,90 and 95%

Land use and forest cover Class	area(ha)	above_30	above_50	above_70	above_80	above_90	above_95
Entire region	234,125	99.6% 233,200	98.3% 230,075	89.1% 208,550	62.4% 146,000	7.3% 17,025	0.7% 1,750
Conservation and natural environments	110,272	99.1% 109,334	97.7% 107,786	94.6% 104,336	75.4% 83,154	7.0% 7,686	0.3% 380
Conservation and natural environments non forest	103,249	99.1% 102,309	97.6% 100,785	94.4% 97,483	74.4% 76,833	6.6% 6,781	0.3% 330
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	6,087	100.0% 6,087	99.6% 6,062	97.2% 5,914	91.1% 5,542	12.6% 767	0.4% 24
Agriculture	120,574	100.0% 120,574	98.7% 118,993	84.0% 101,306	50.6% 60,991	7.5% 9,090	1.1% 1,309
Grazing	9,365	100.0% 9,365	98.9% 9,265	88.6% 8,294	62.0% 5,803	13.3% 1,245	1.6% 149
Grazing non forest	9,365	100.0% 9,365	98.9% 9,265	88.6% 8,294	62.0% 5,803	13.3% 1,245	1.6% 149
Cropping	111,209	100.0% 111,209	98.7% 109,726	83.6% 92,999	49.6% 55,147	7.1% 7,857	1.0% 1,161



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