

Total vegetation cover soil protection

Region:NRM Wimmera VIC

Date: June 2002

This report describes vegetation protecting the soil surface from erosion during a chosen month compared to previous years. This report has been generated using MODIS fractional vegetation cover information available in Rangelands and Pasture Productivity (RAPP) map tool <https://map.geo-rapp.org/#australia>. The report is based on 500 metre pixel data on monthly time steps.

Land use forest cover:

Results can be shown for the whole region (polygon), and separated by land use and forest cover classes which are likely to show different cover patterns and targets. Land use is divided into four broad classes: Conservation and natural environments, Agriculture, production native forests and plantation forests (no report), and other (no report). Agriculture is divided into grazing, crops and horticulture which are sub-divided into non-irrigated and irrigated. If forest is present land use is further divided into: non-forest, woodland forest and non-woodland forest. The area of each land use and forest class are shown as a map and chart. The report content is repeated for each land use and forest cover class that covers at least 1% of the area of the chosen region.

Total vegetation Cover:

The total vegetation cover indicates where soil is likely to be protected from wind and or water hillslope erosion. Total vegetation cover for this month is shown on a map and chart classified into 4 classes.

- 71-100% High cover – protected from wind and usually water erosion (high rainfall, steep slopes, and erodible soils may need greater than 80, 90, 95 and up to 100% cover)
- 51-70% Moderate cover – protected from wind erosion
- 31-50% Low cover – not protected
- 0-30% Very Low cover – not protected

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

The vegetation cover threshold required to prevent soil erosion is usually 50% to reduce wind erosion, 70% or 80% to reduce water (hillslope) erosion depending on the steepness and rainfall. Areas protected from erosion for the month:

- Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares.
- Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares.

Comparison with previous years:

- Map: anomaly comparing this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years.
- Map: deciles rank of month against the same month in previous years.

Anomalies and deciles until September 2019 are calculated comparing to the same months 2001 to 2019. Extra monthly data will be used to calculate anomalies and deciles post September 2019 as they become available.

Time series monthly from January 2001 to current:

Erosion protection

- Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month (orange lines). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.
- Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month (blue line). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.

Rainfall

- Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

Each time series is also stacked by year. The black line shows the current year of data.

Water erosion protection for higher rainfall and steeper slopes:

Water erosion protection on higher slopes. As slope increases, more cover is required to control water erosion. The thresholds reported are:

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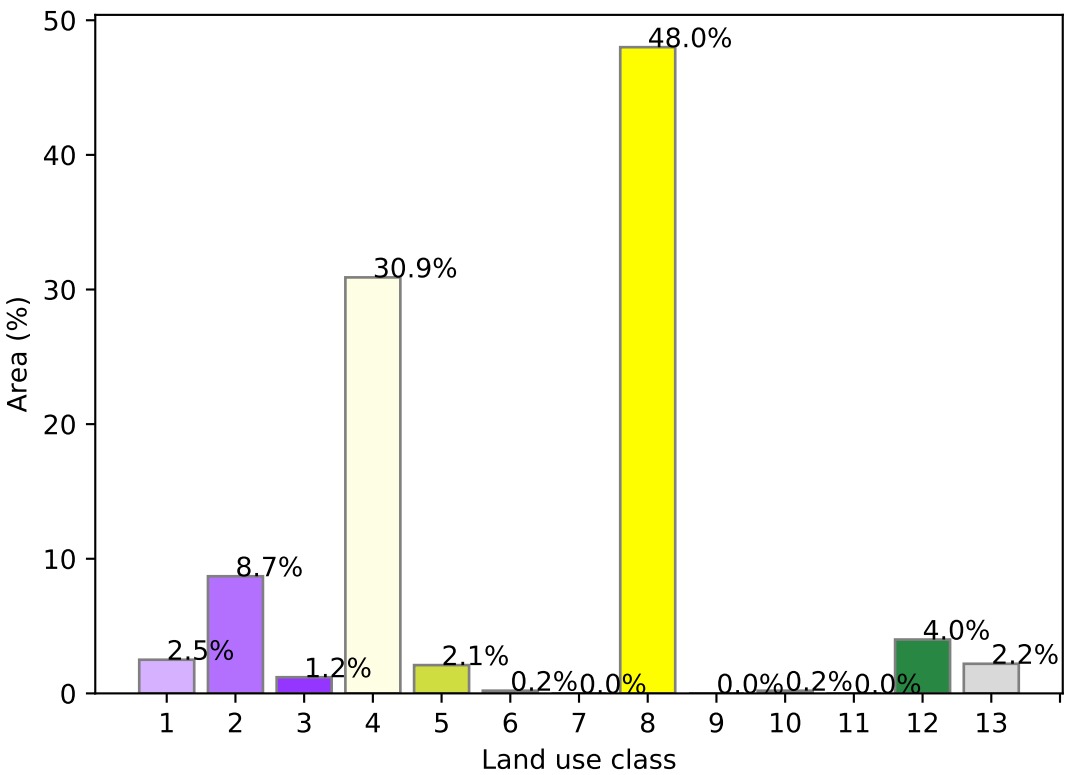


Vegetation Cover Jun 2002

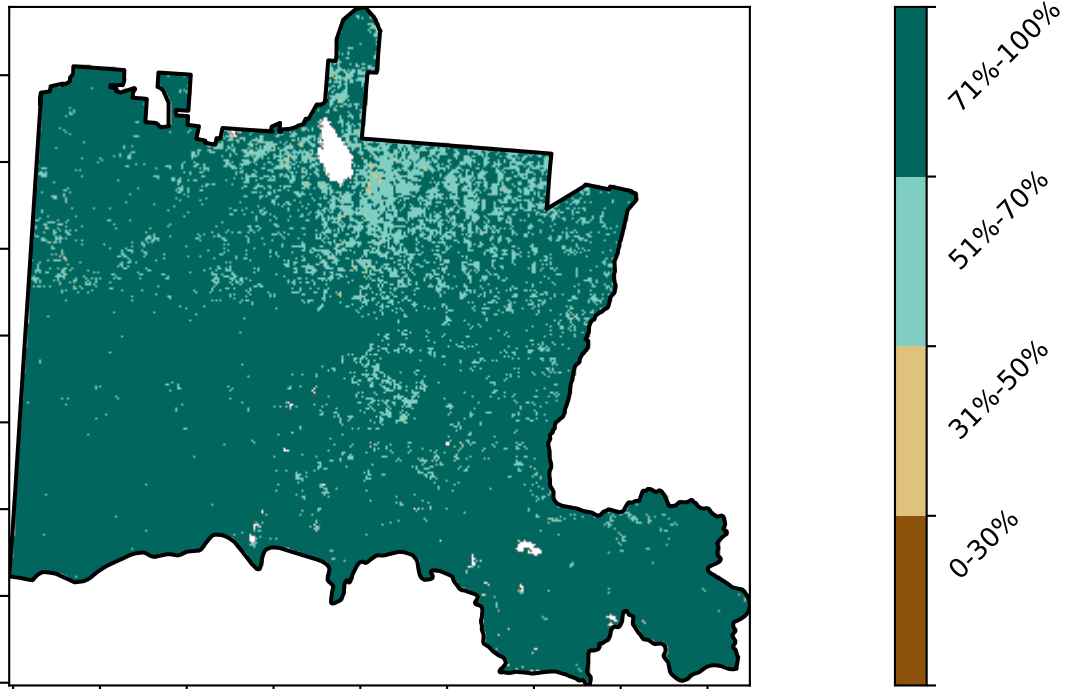
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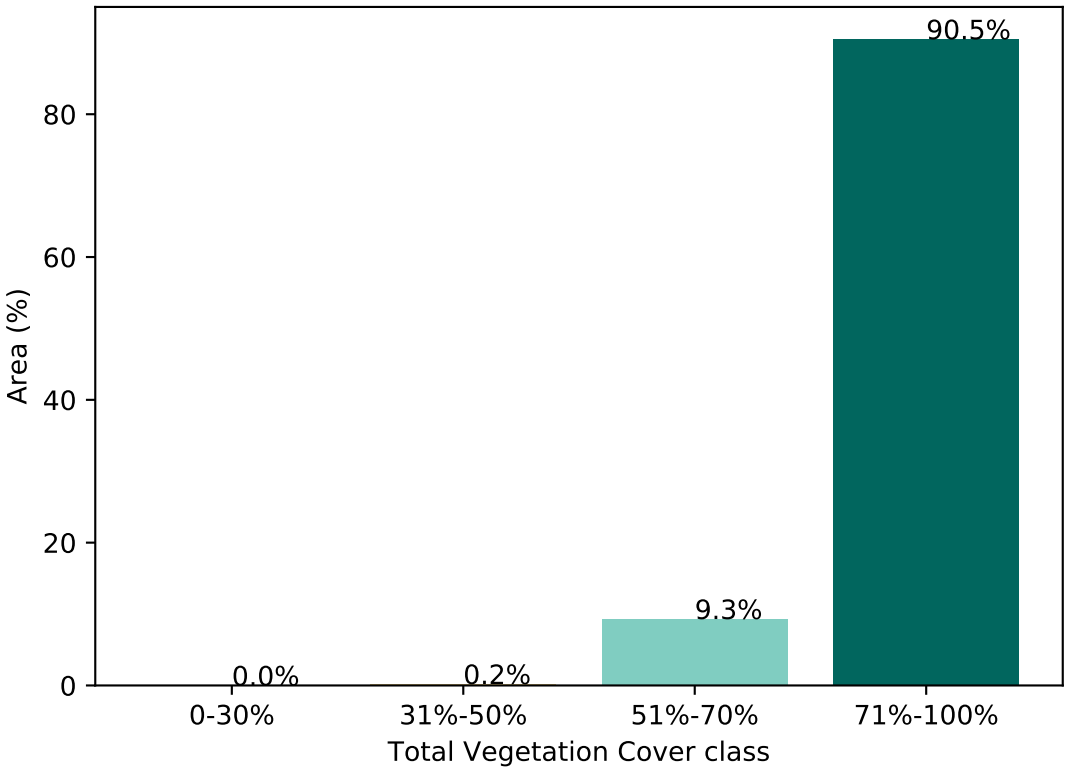
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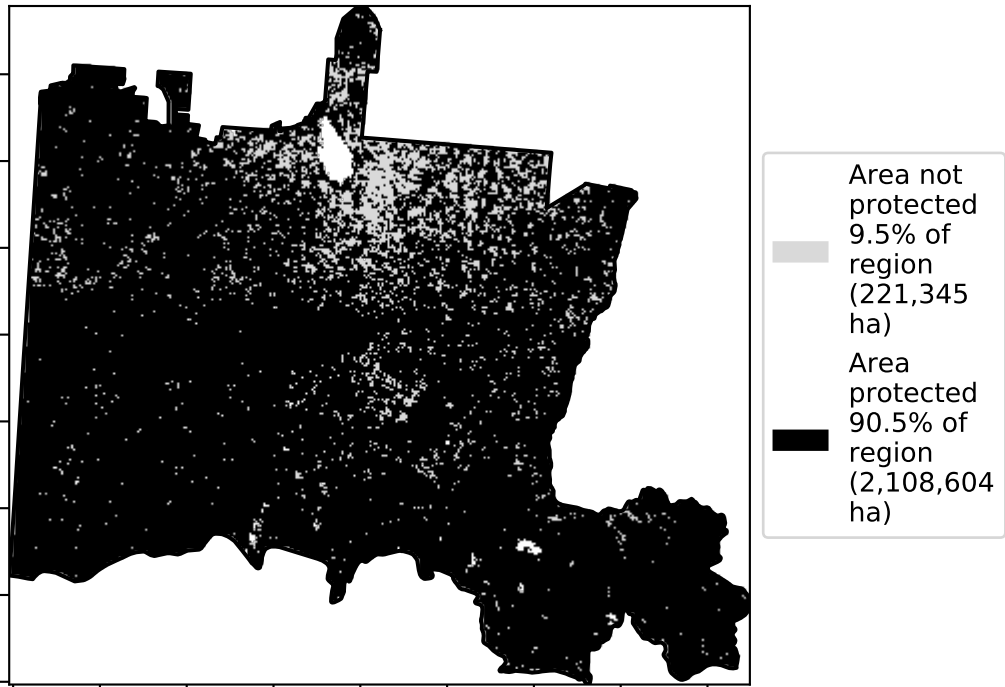
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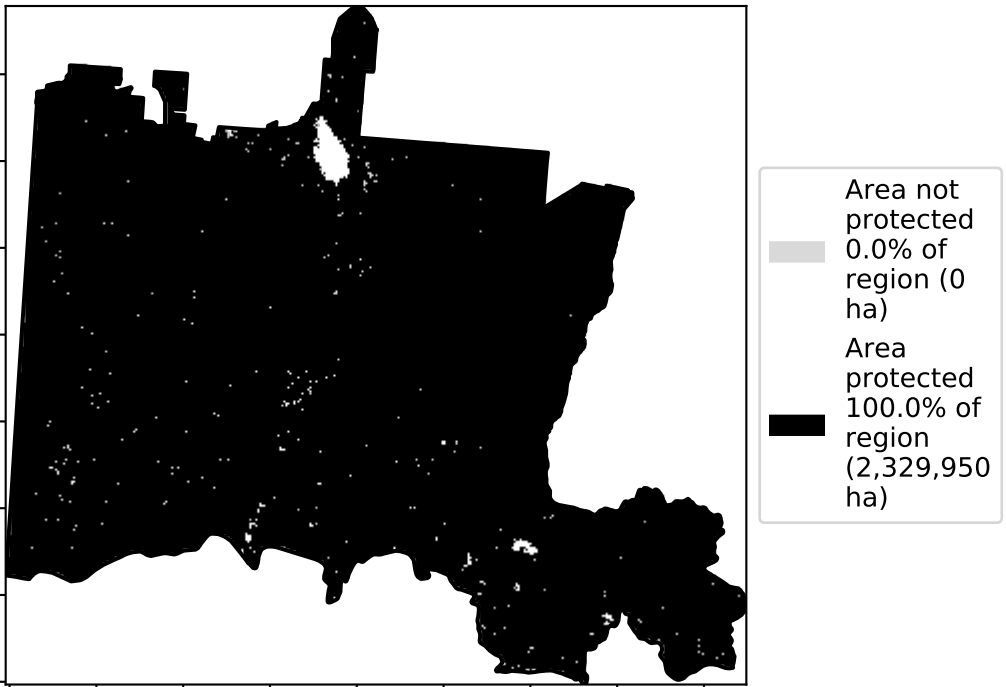
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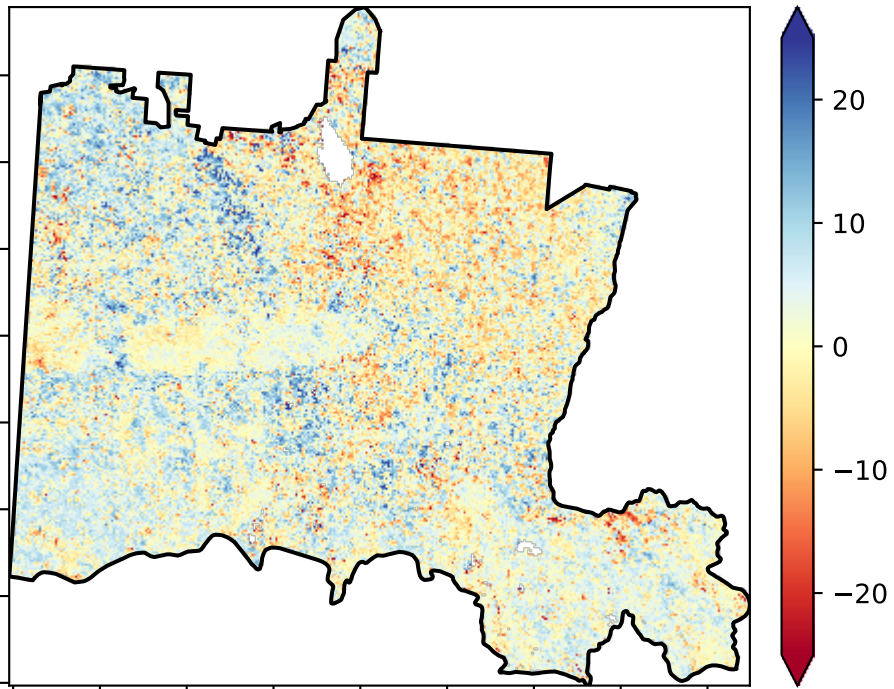
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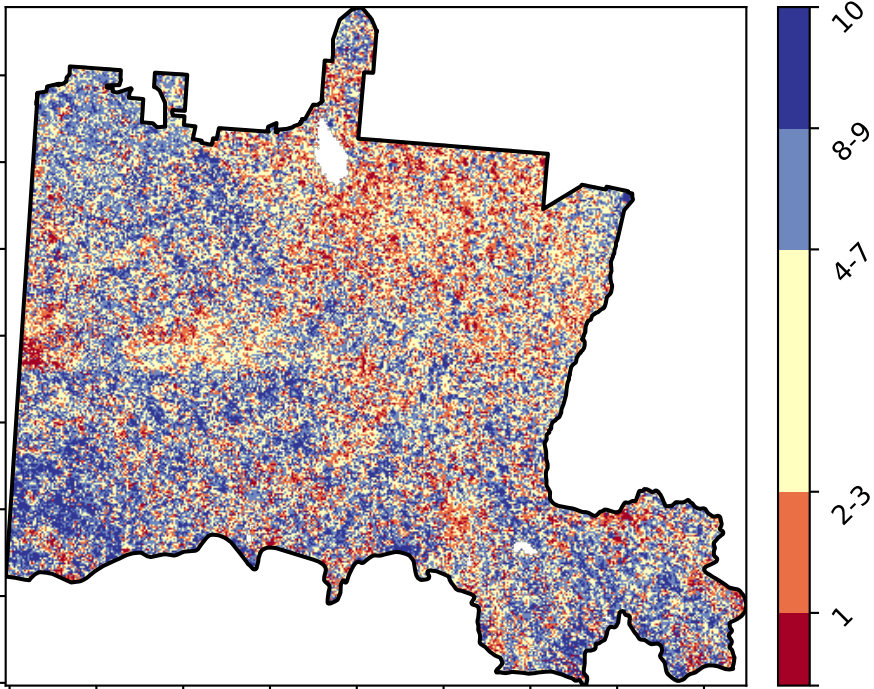


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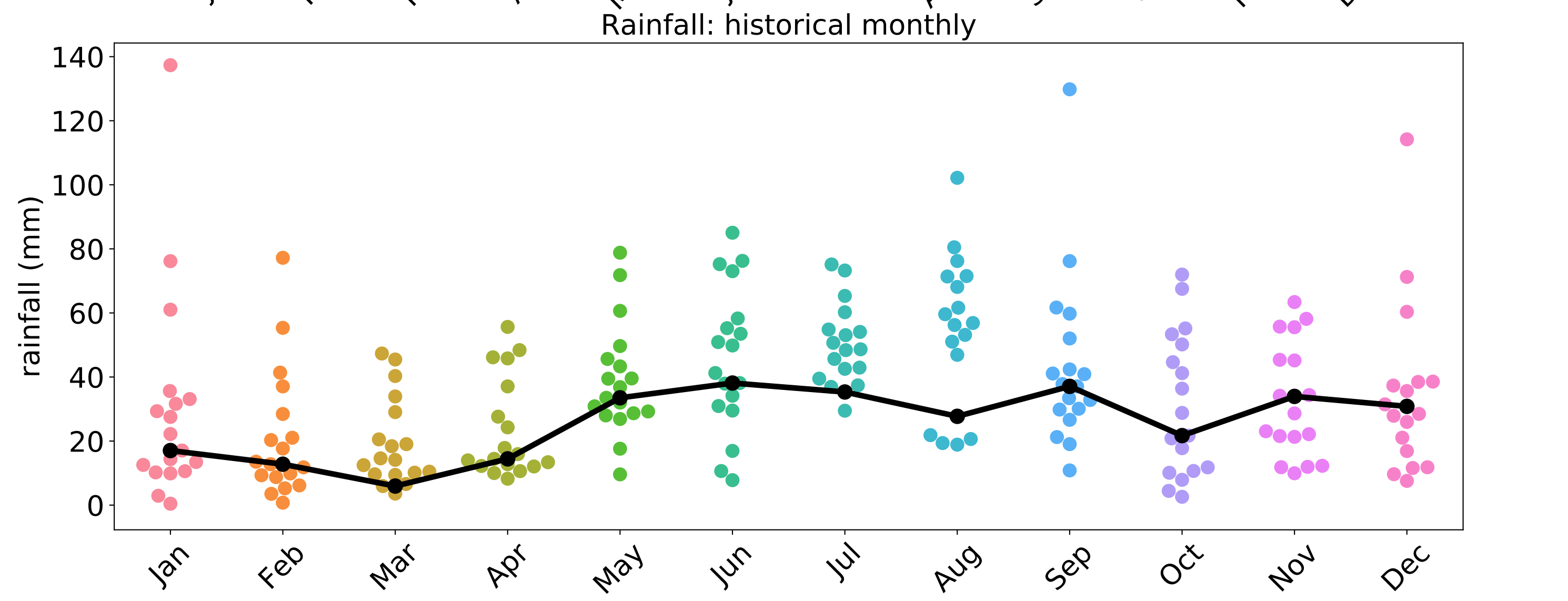
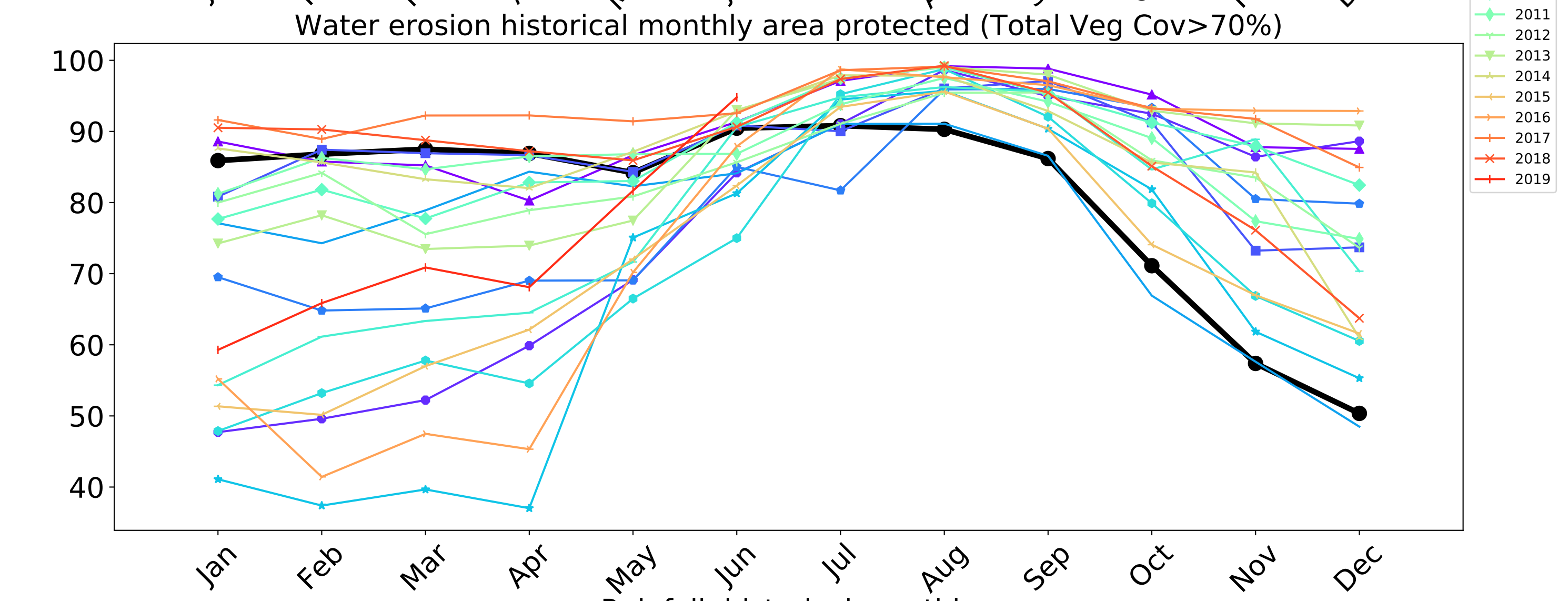
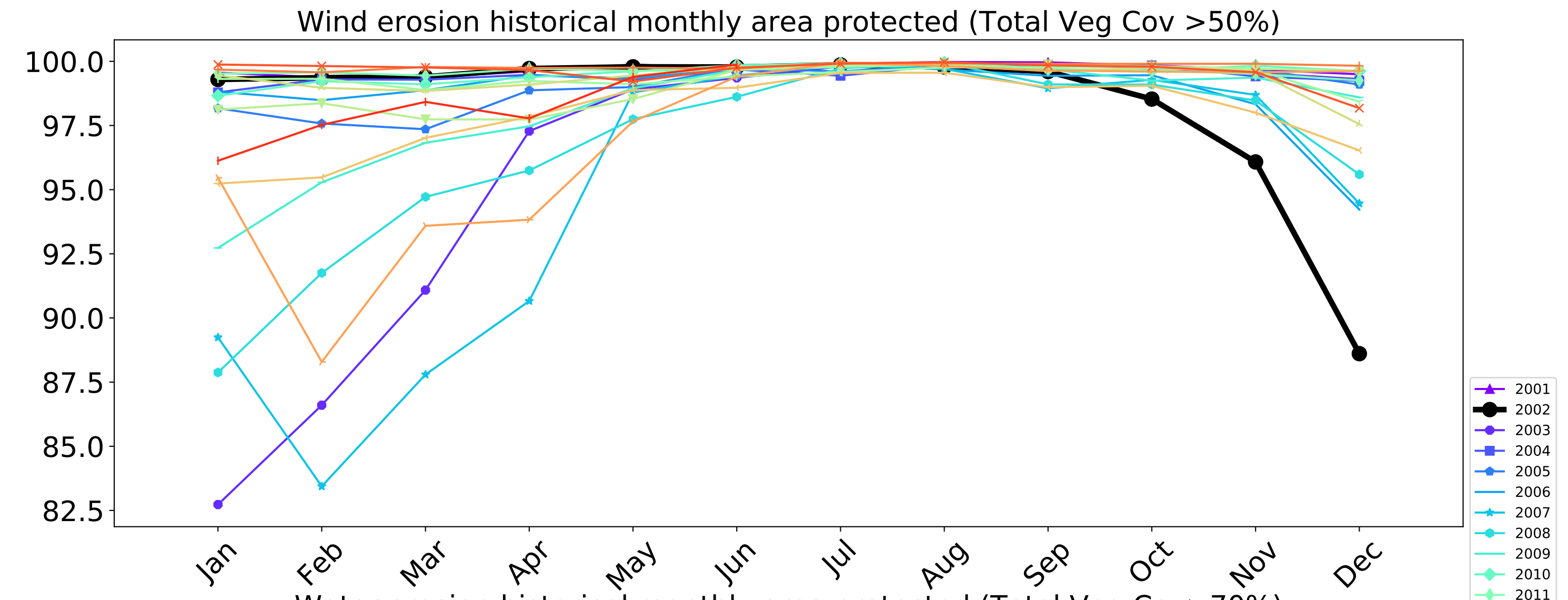
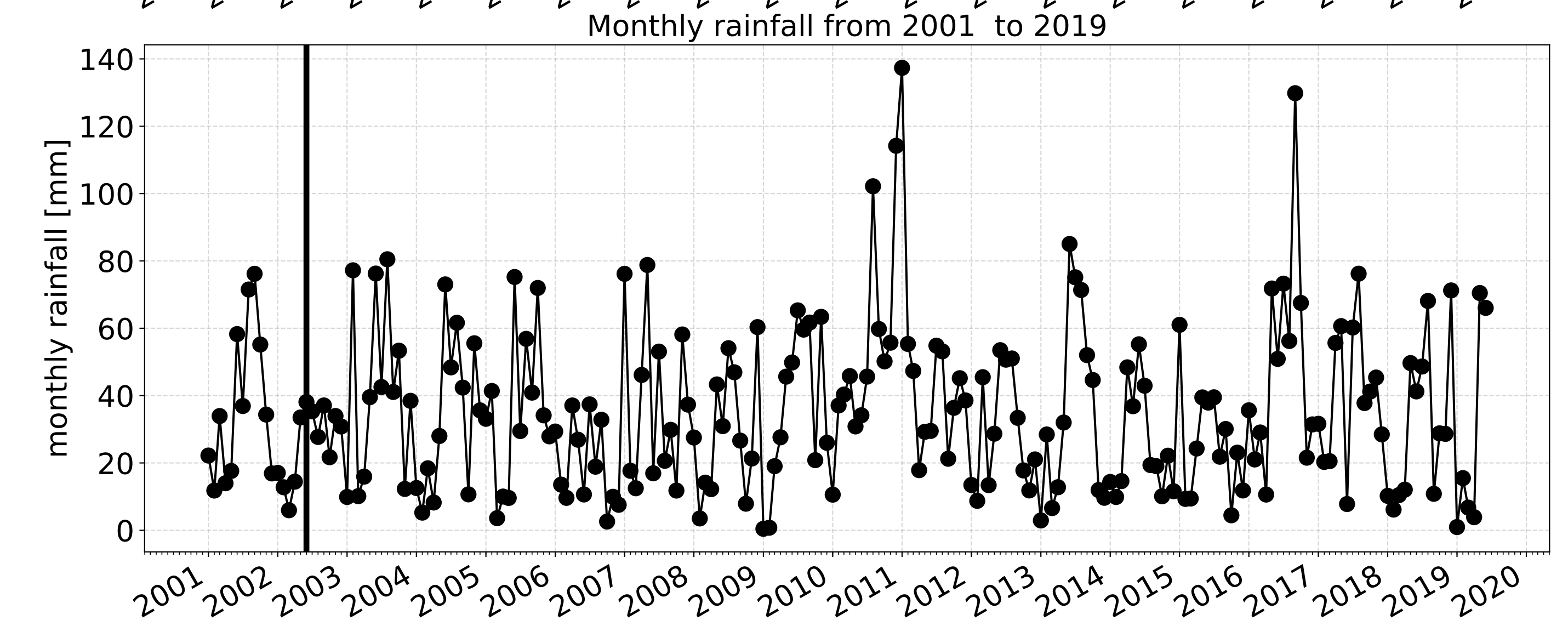
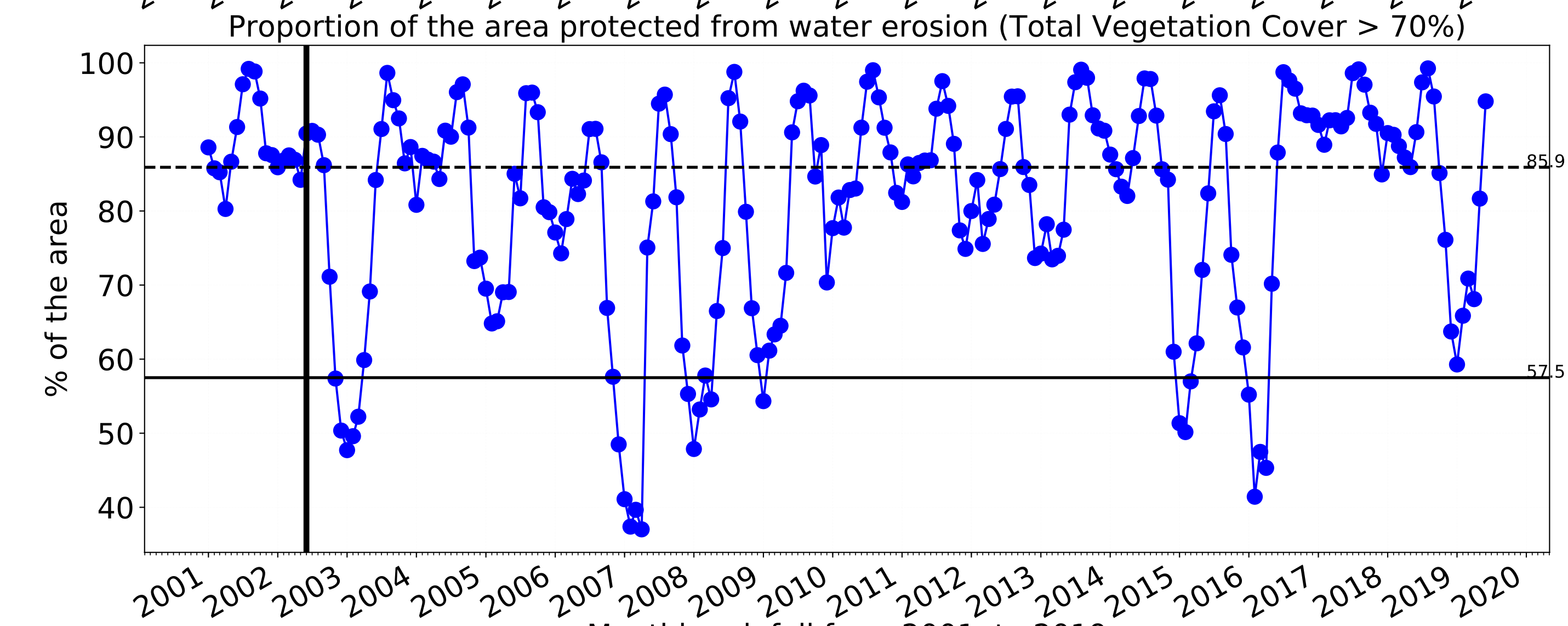
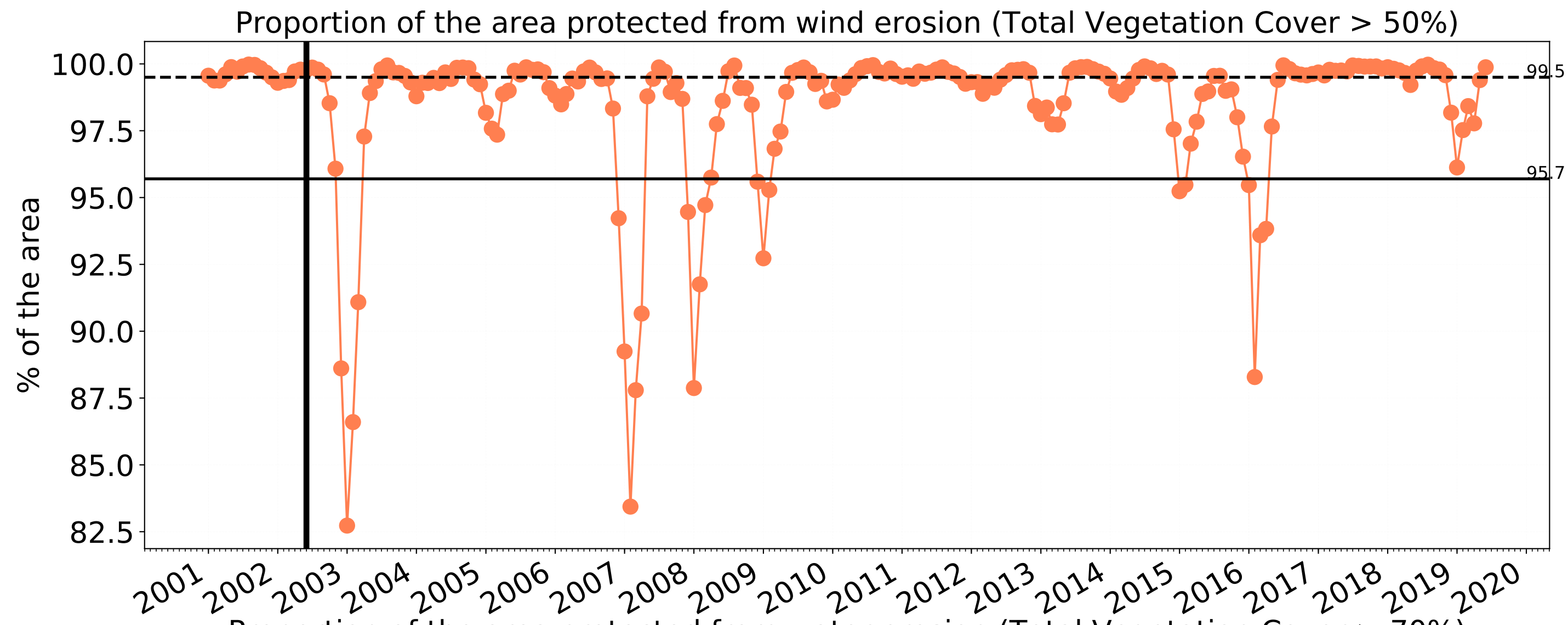
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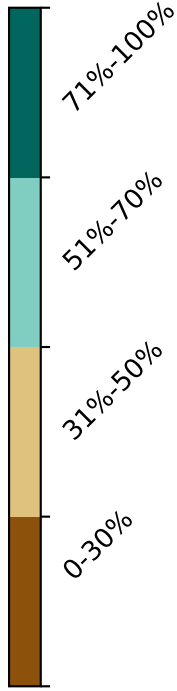
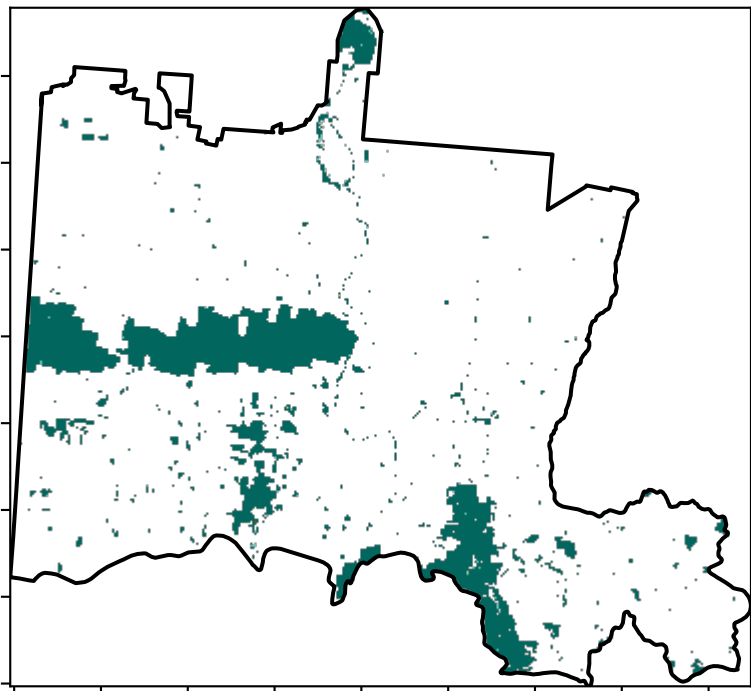


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- 2 Conservation and natural environments - Woodland forest
- 3 Conservation and natural environments - Non-woodland forest

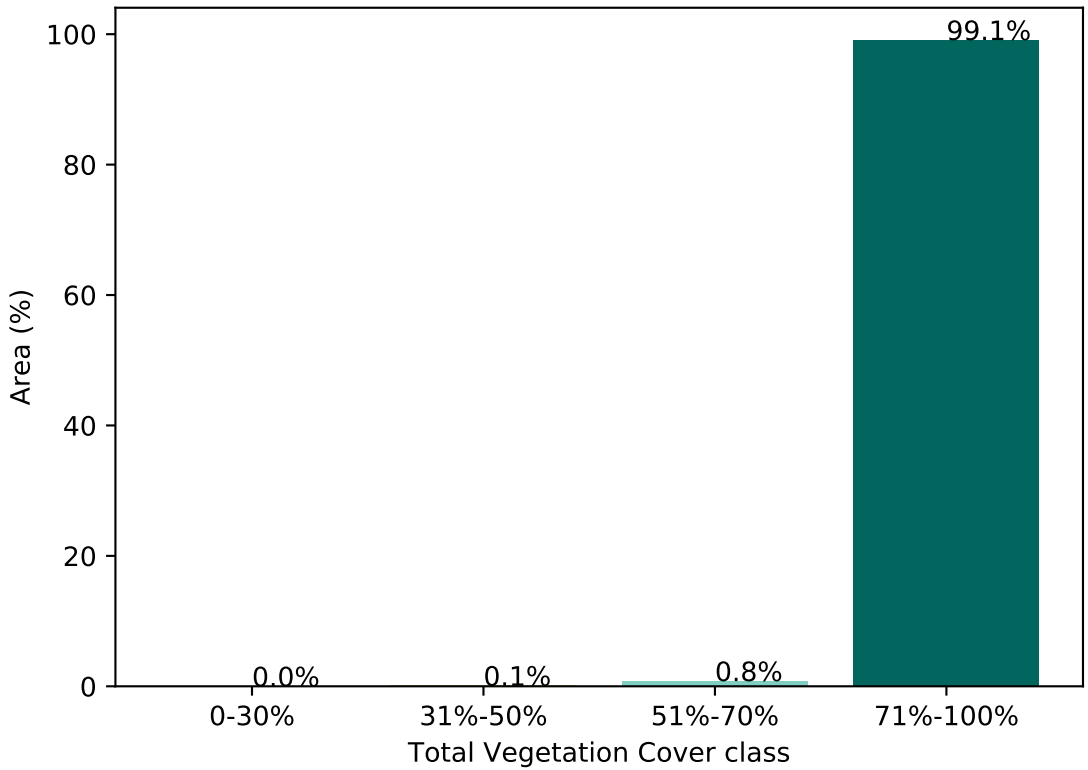
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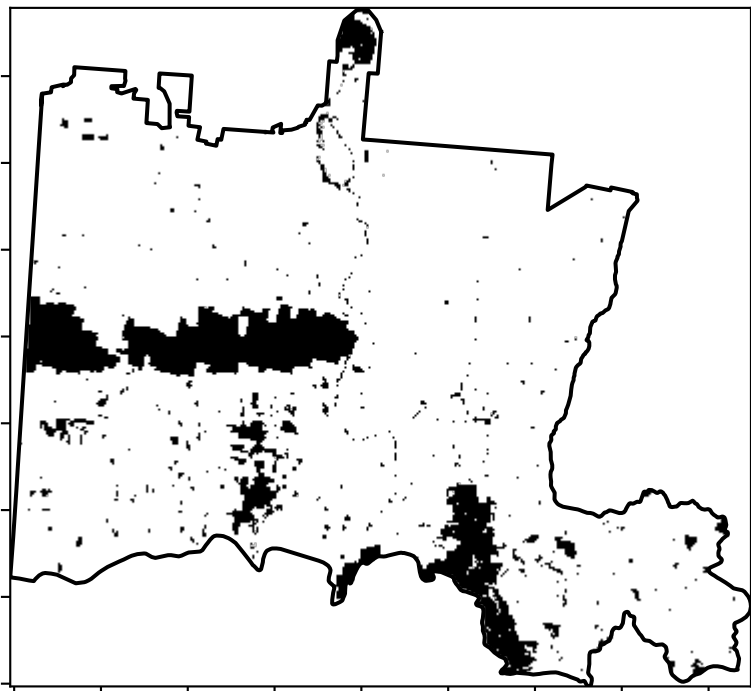
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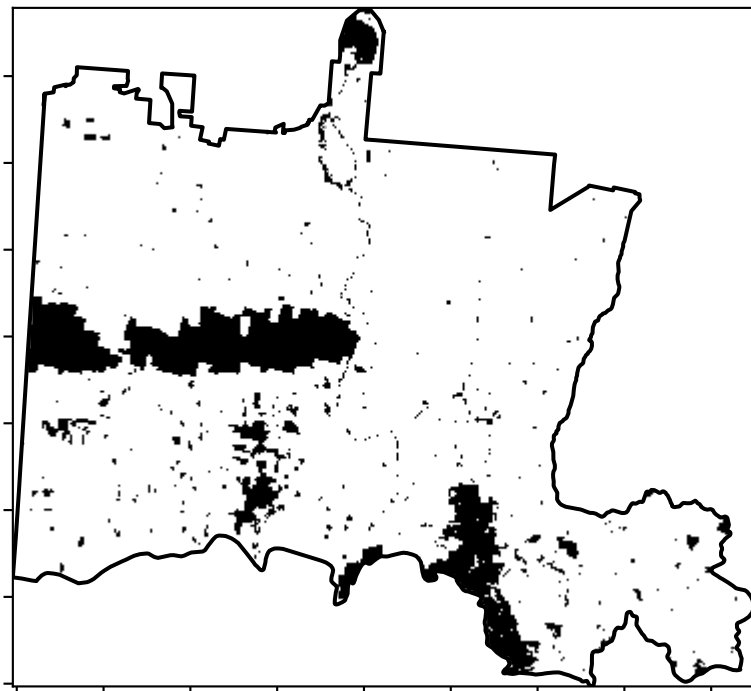


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



- Area not protected
0.9% of region
(2,487 ha)
- Area protected
99.1% of region
(273,912 ha)

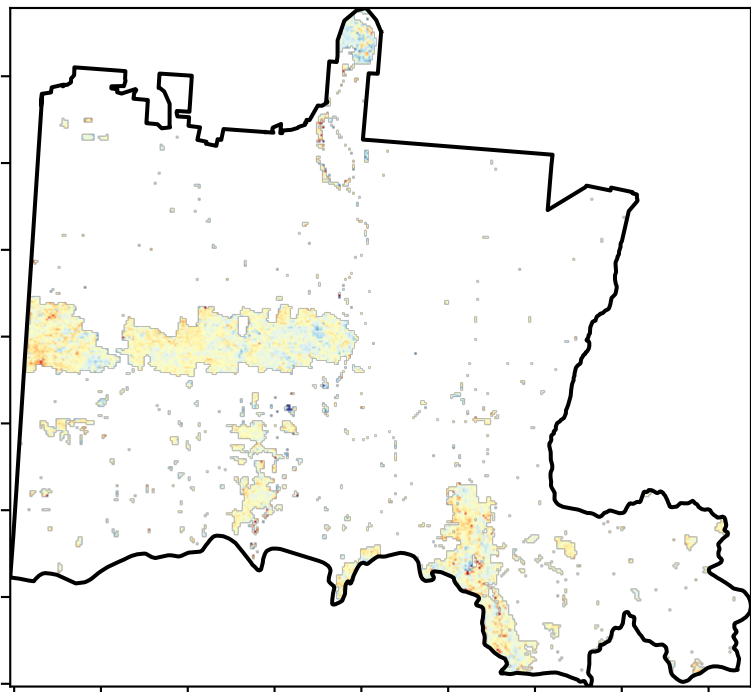
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



- Area not protected
0.0% of region
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- Area protected
100.0% of region
(276,400 ha)

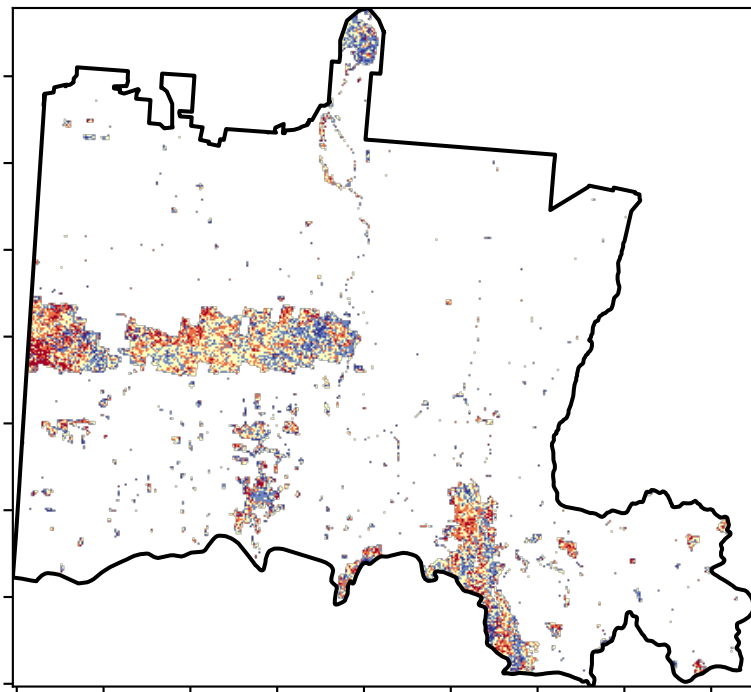
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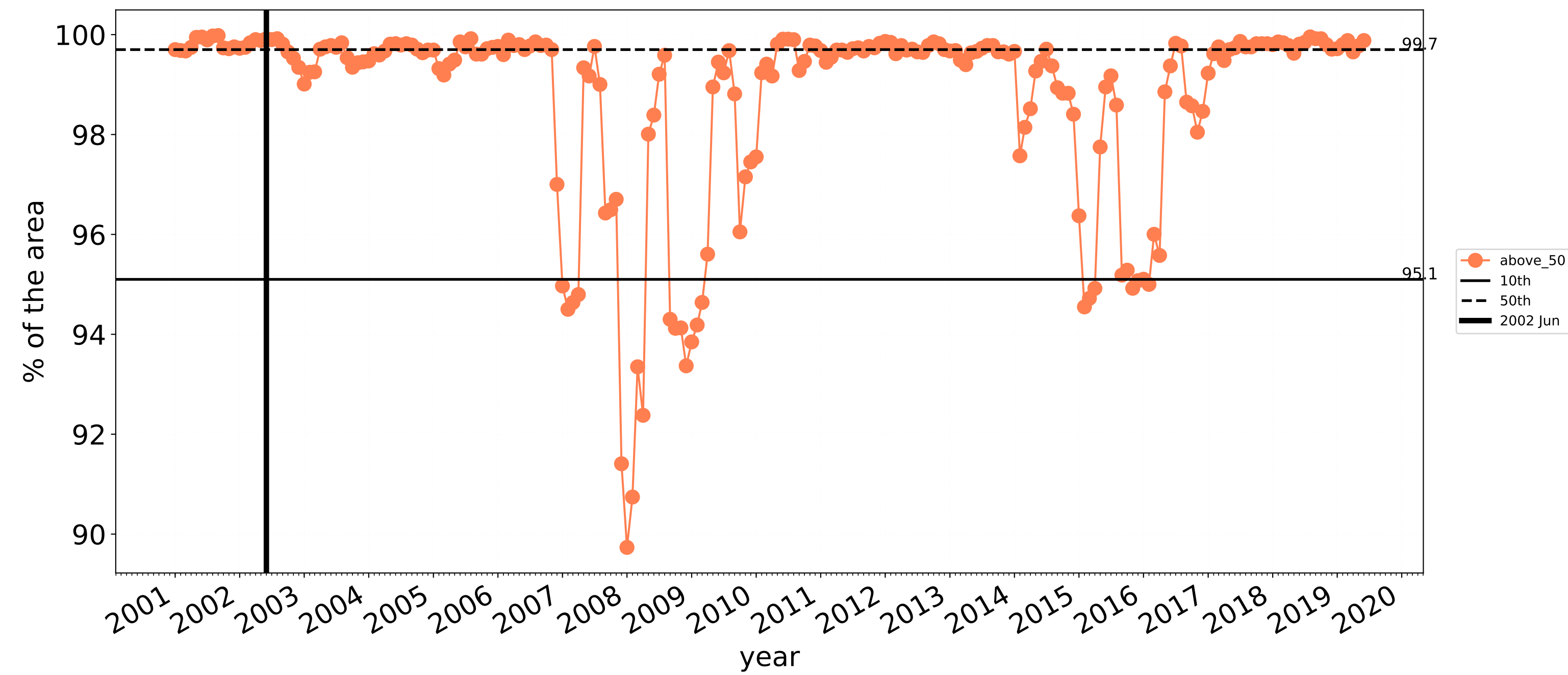
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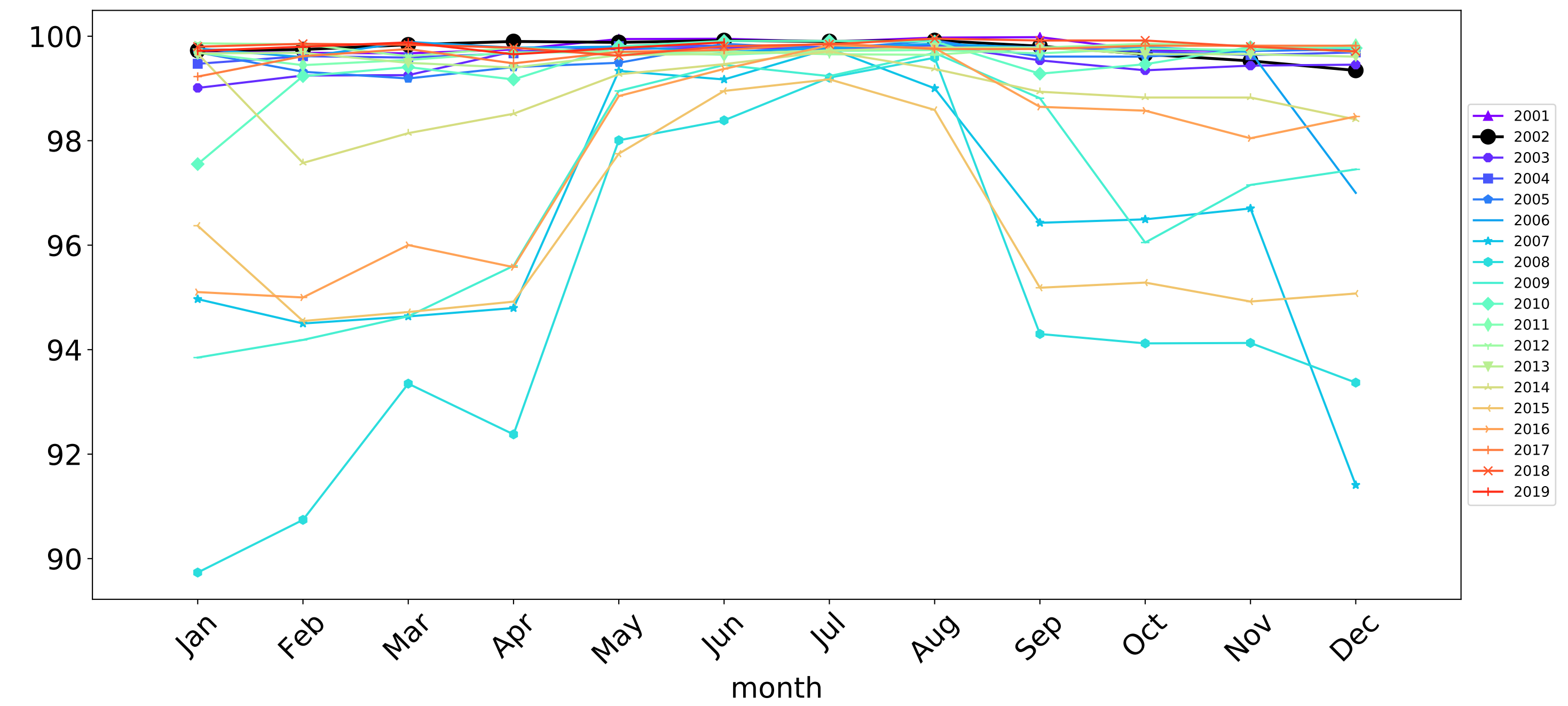
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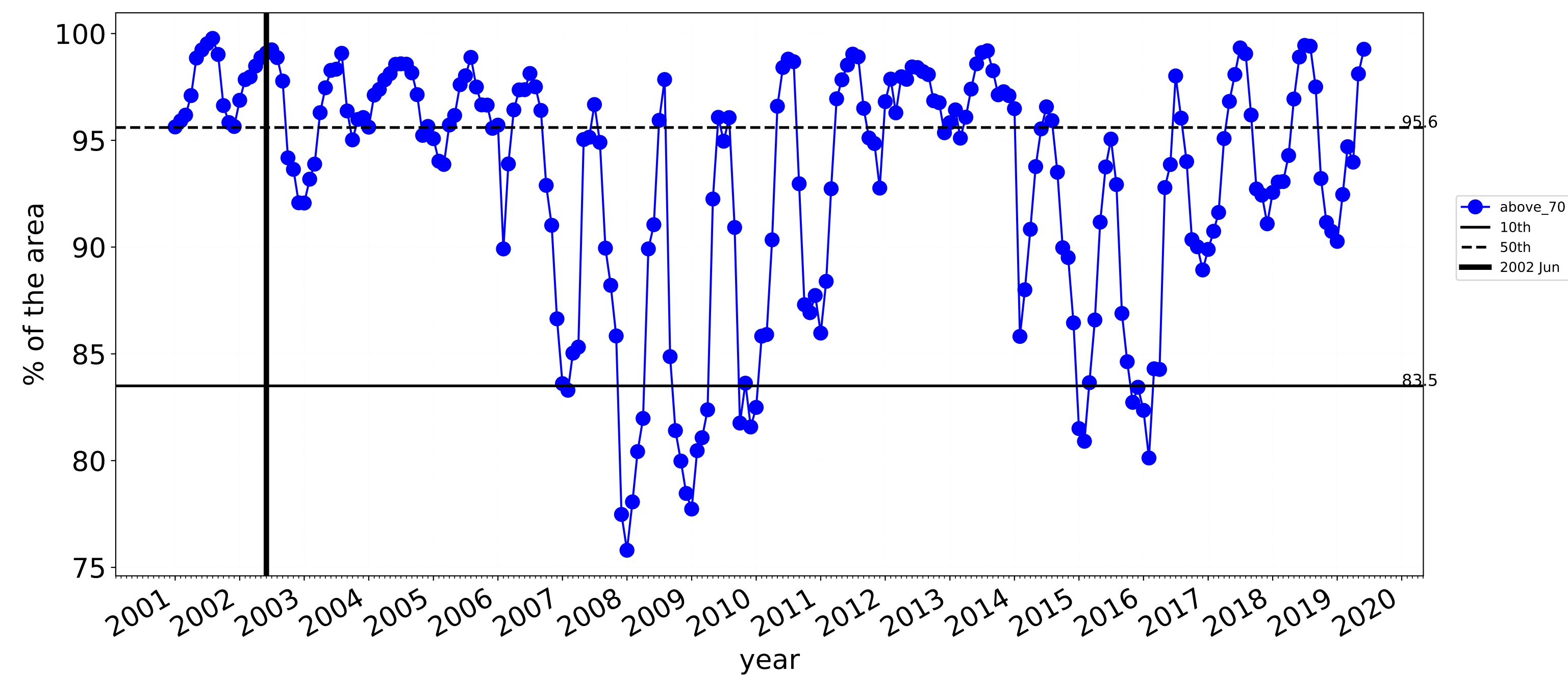
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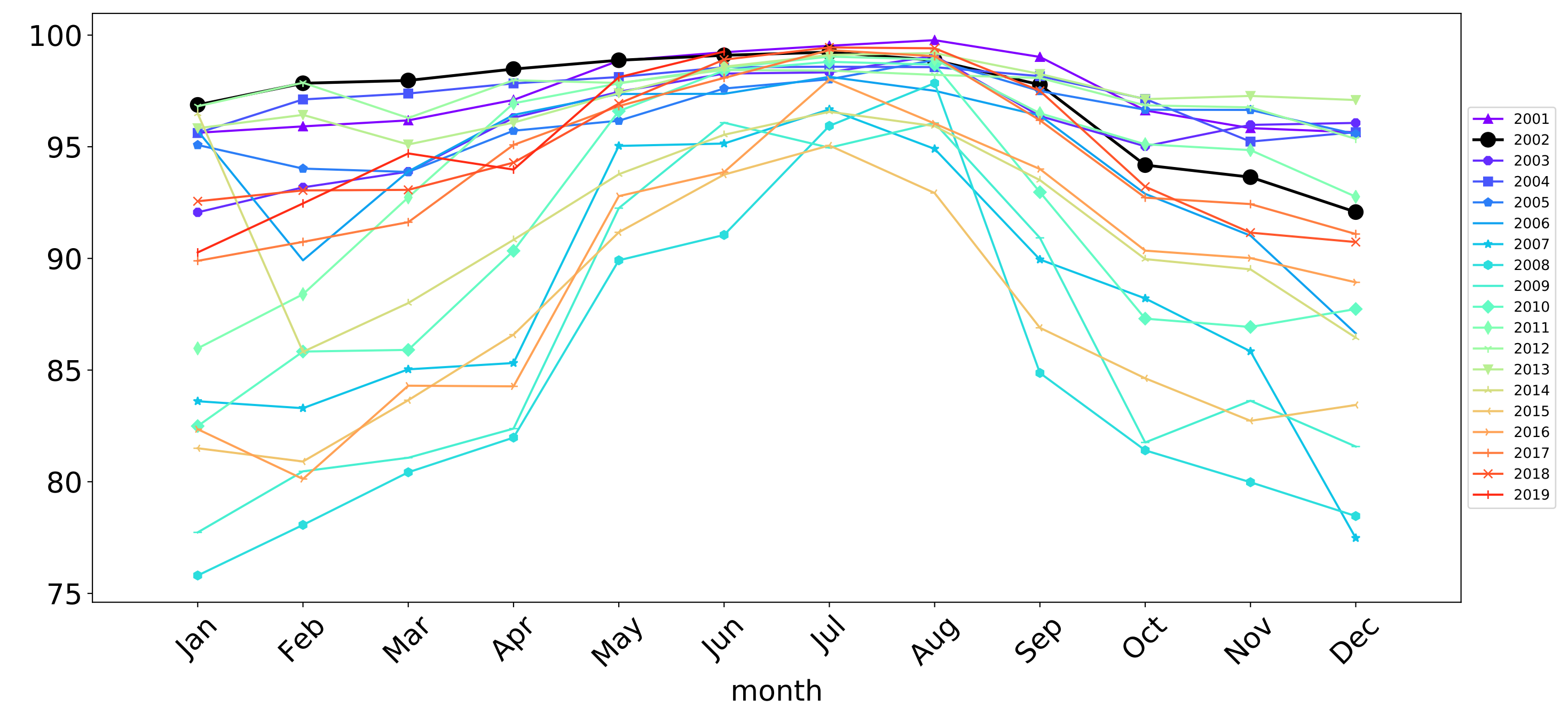
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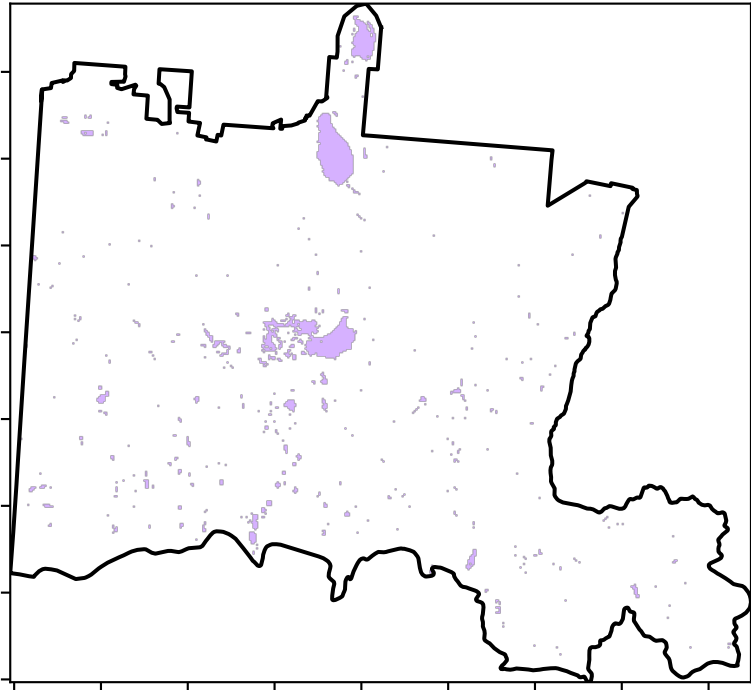
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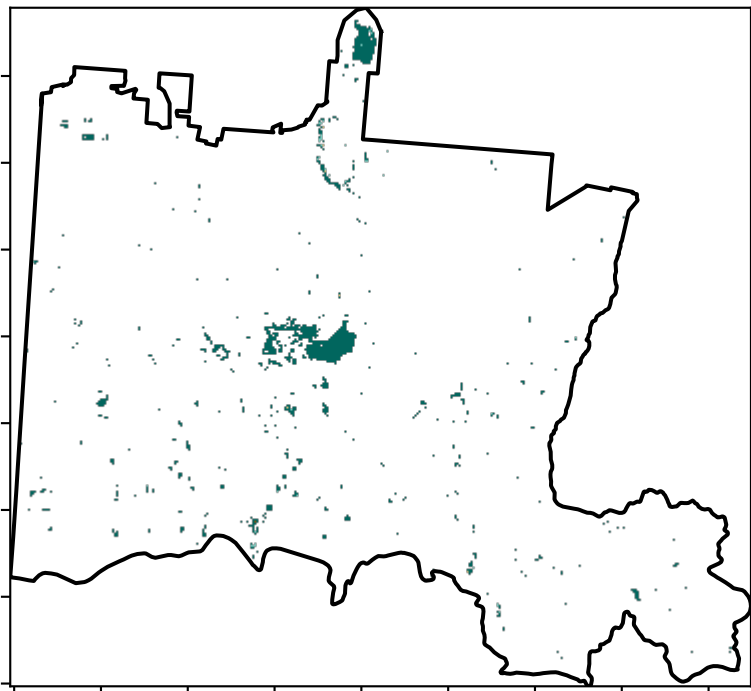
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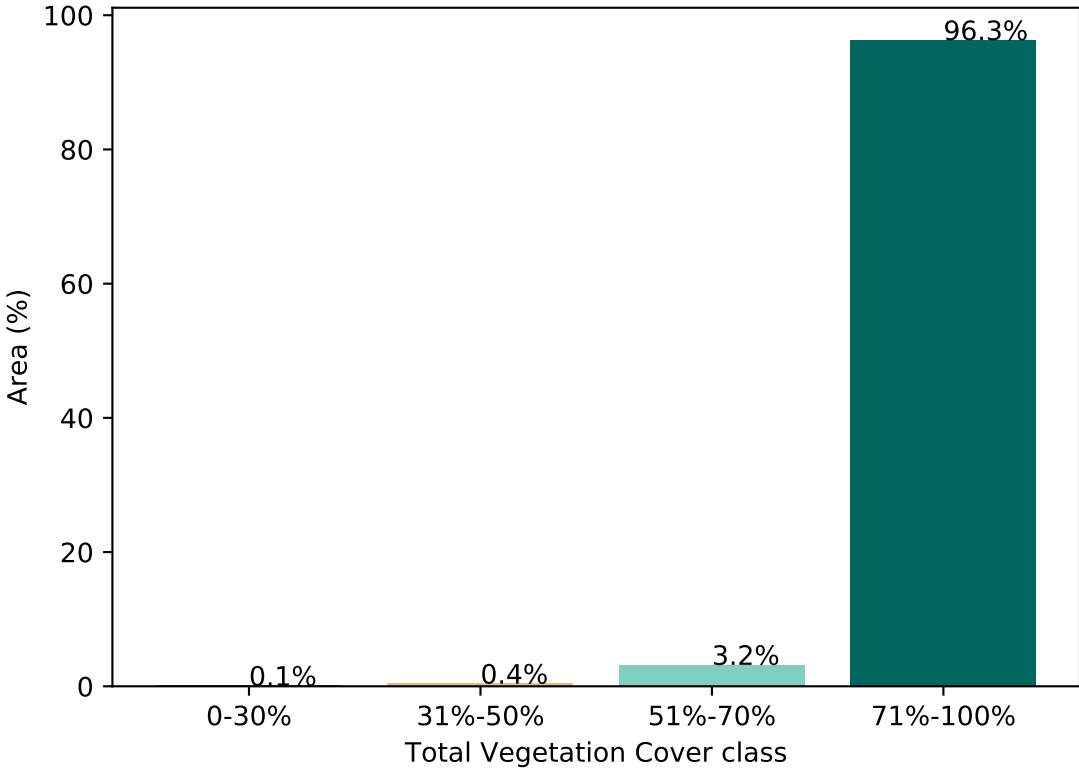


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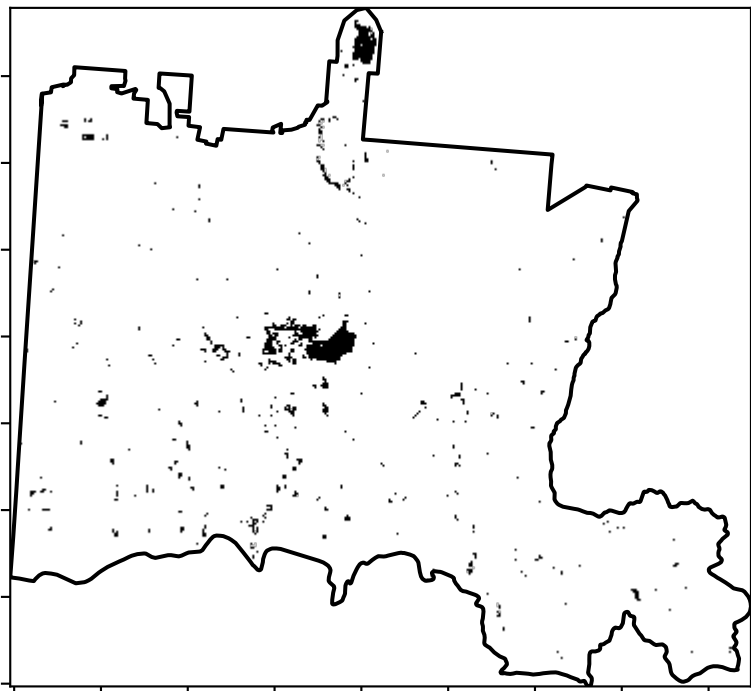
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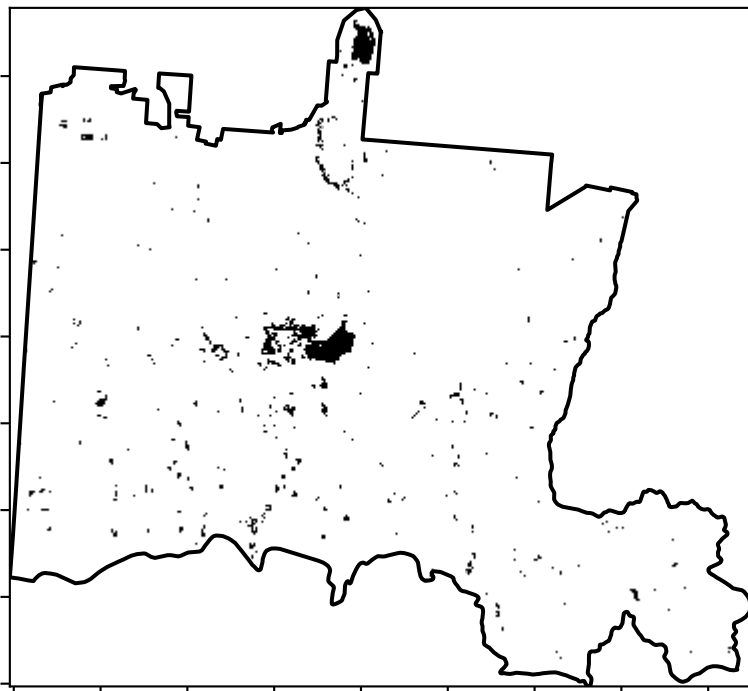


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



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3.7% of region
(1,732 ha)
Area protected
96.3% of region
(45,092 ha)

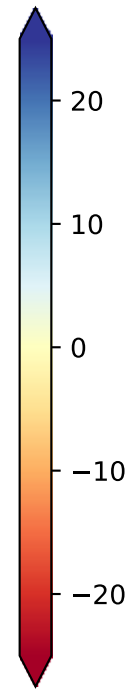
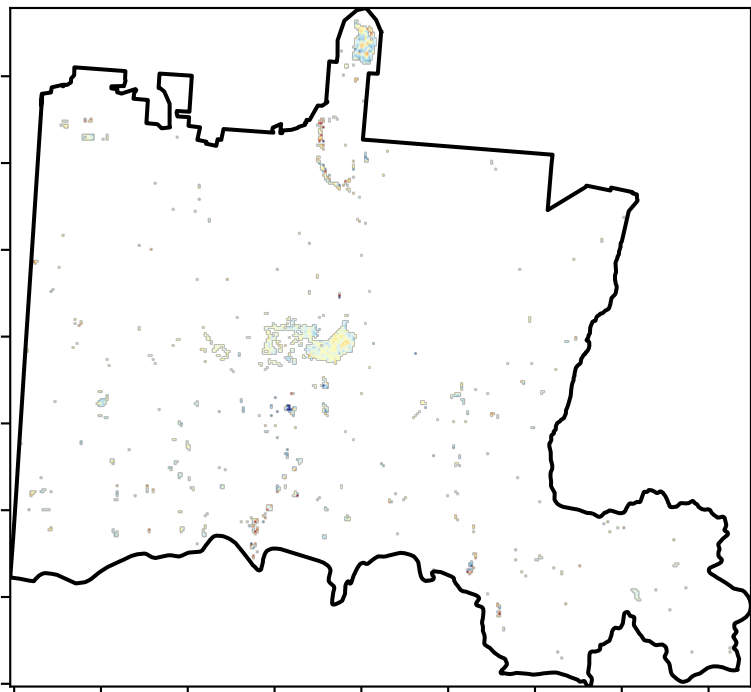
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Area protected
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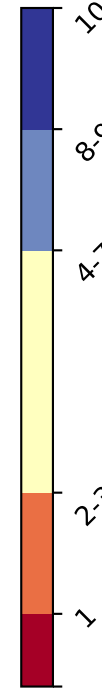
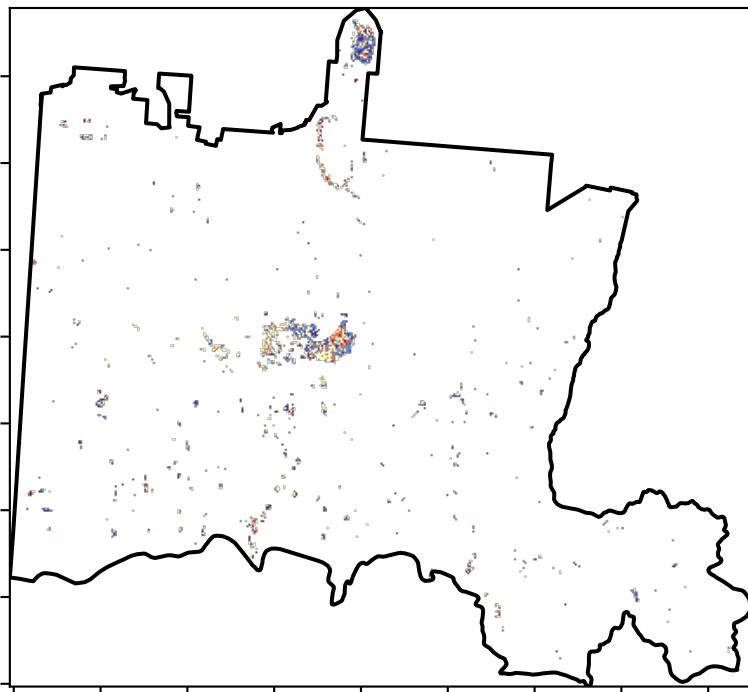
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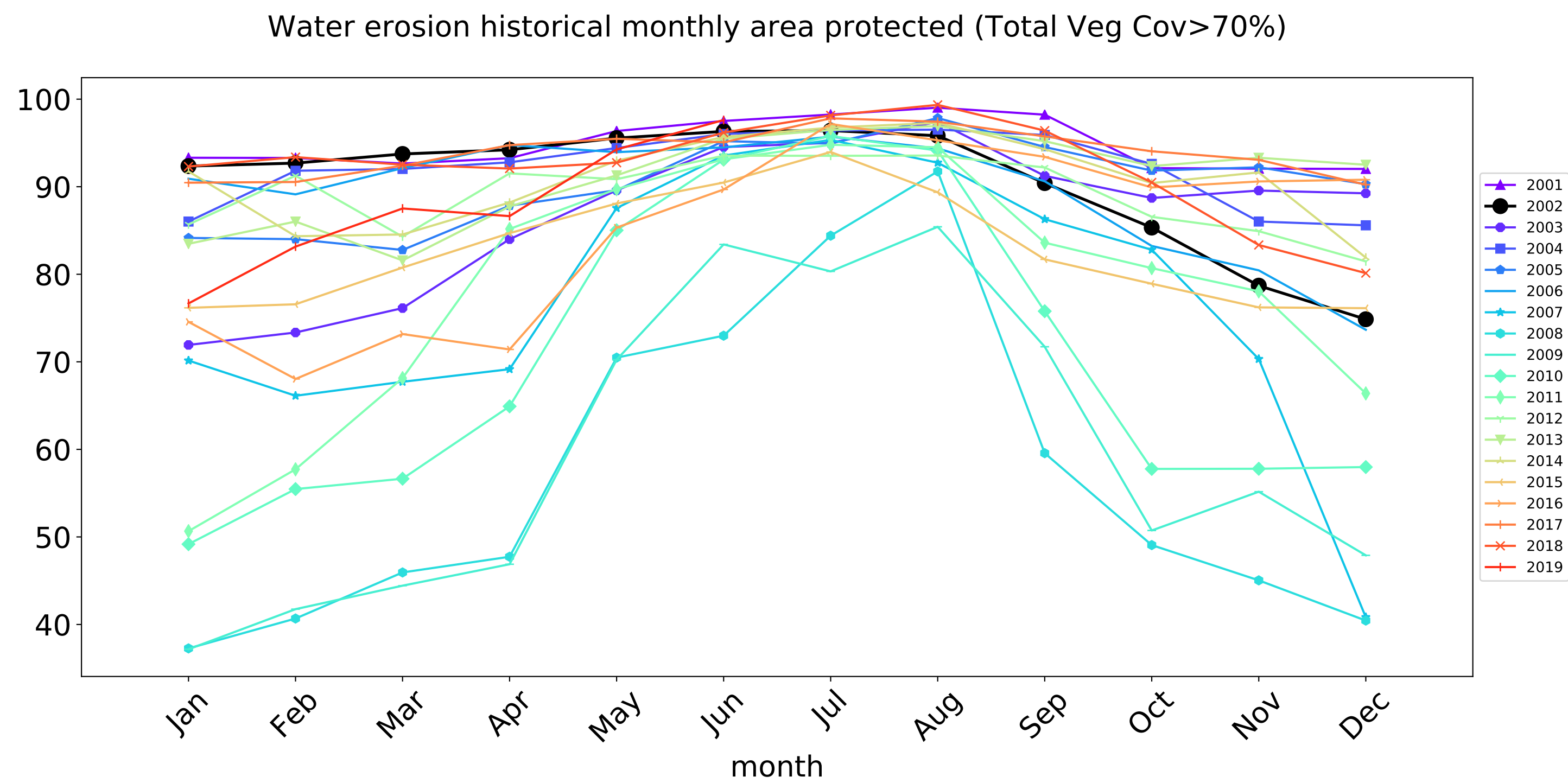
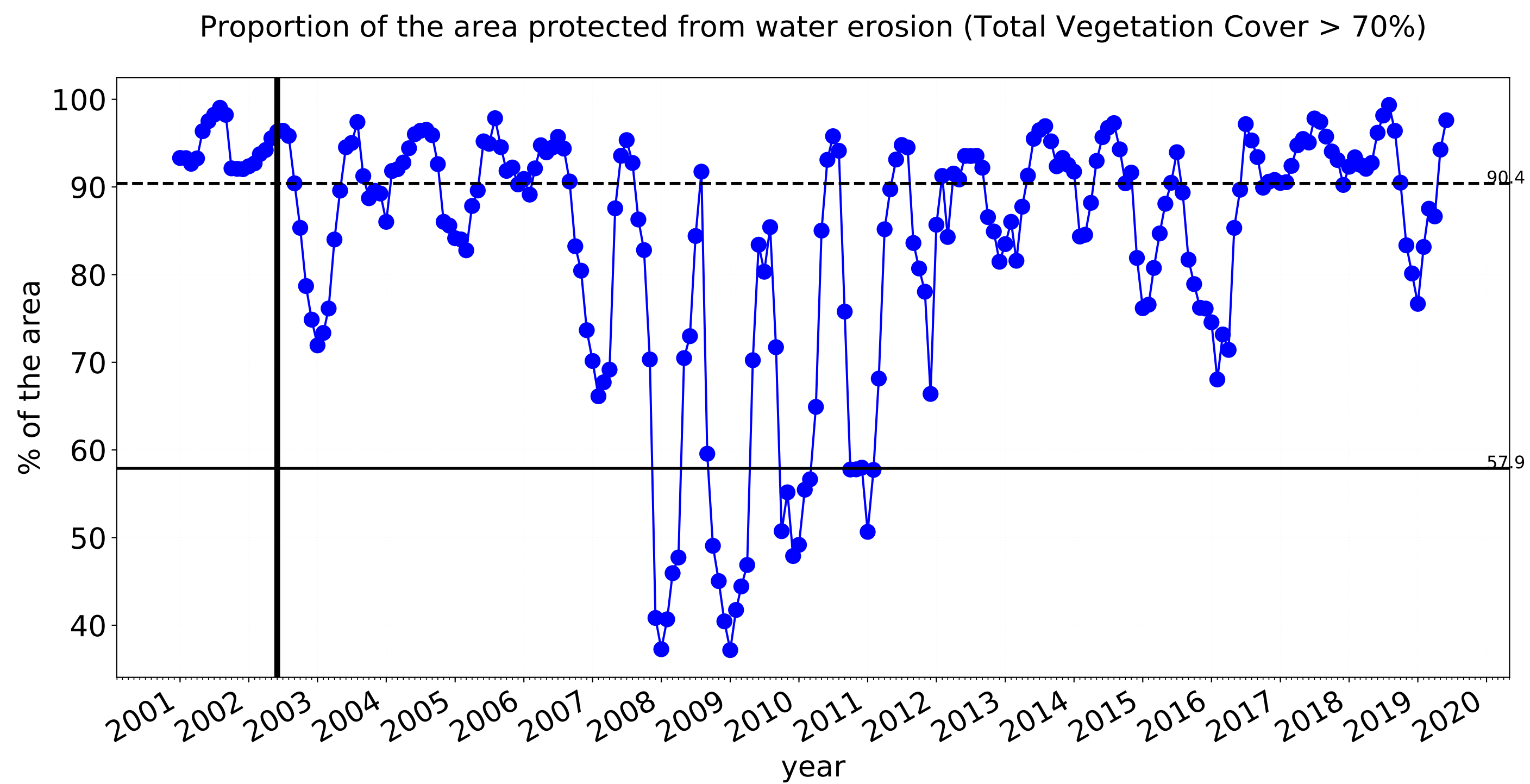
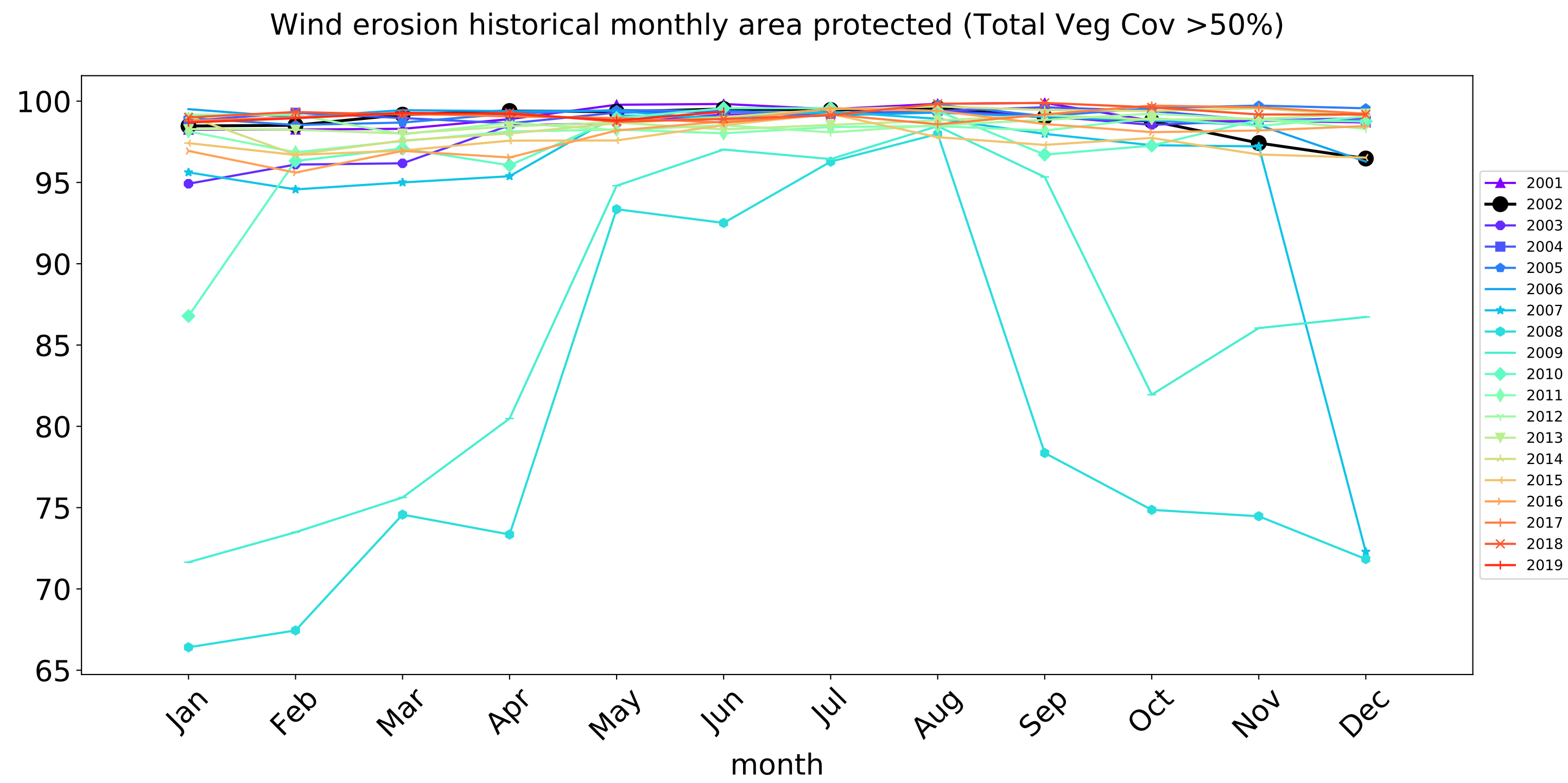
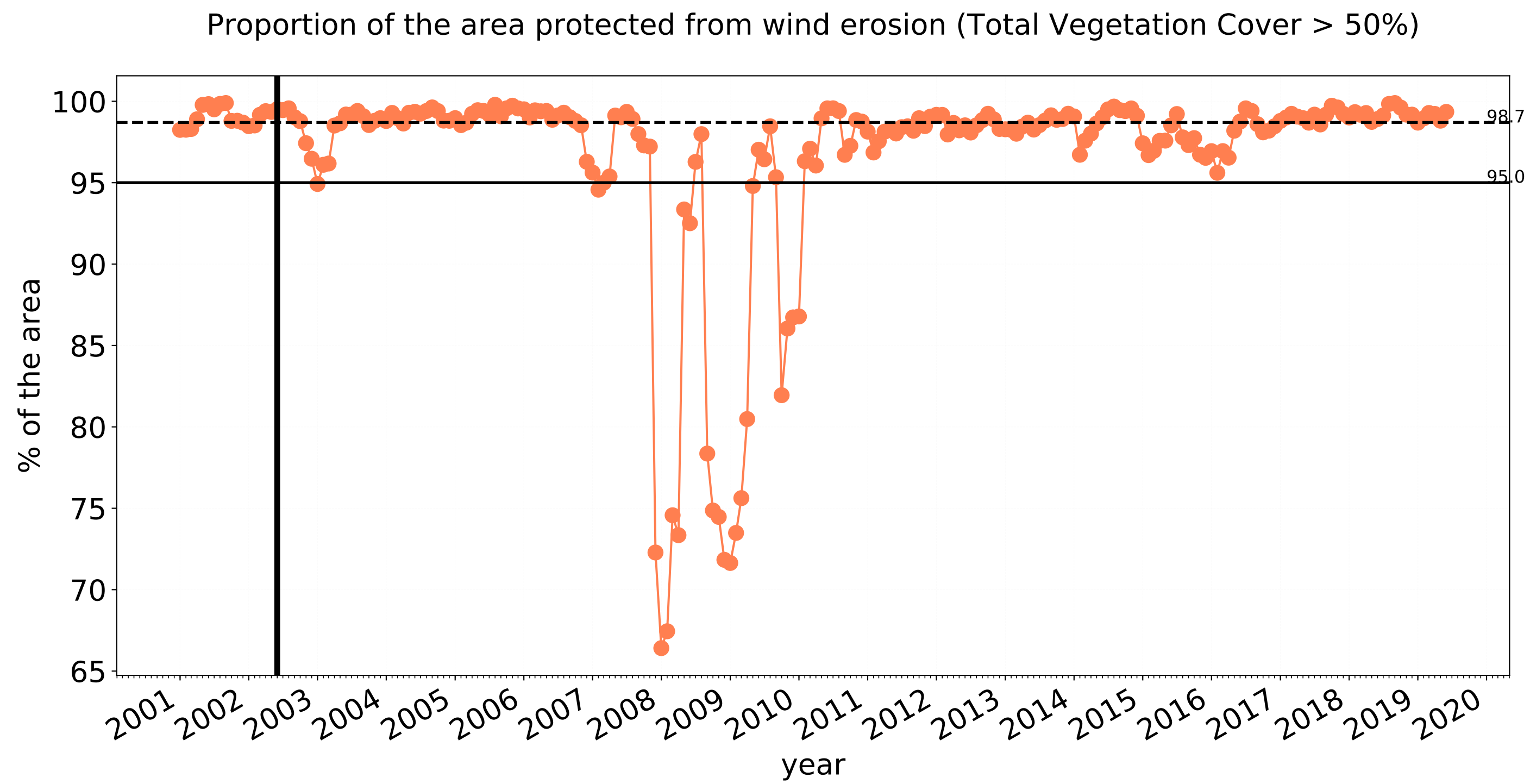


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Conservation and natural environments non forest timeseries



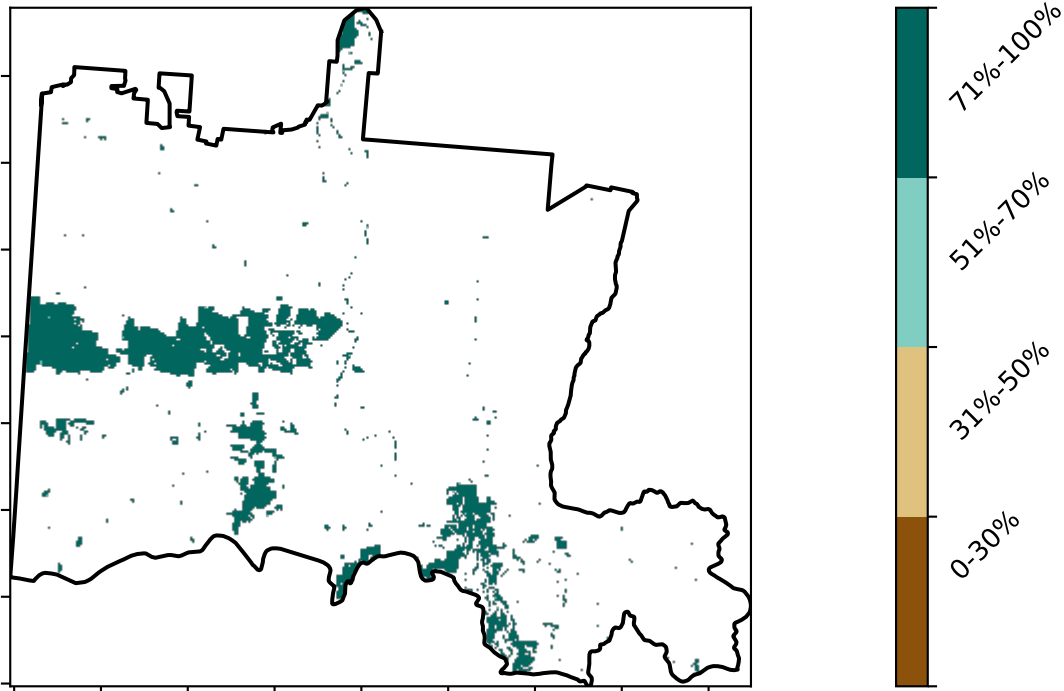
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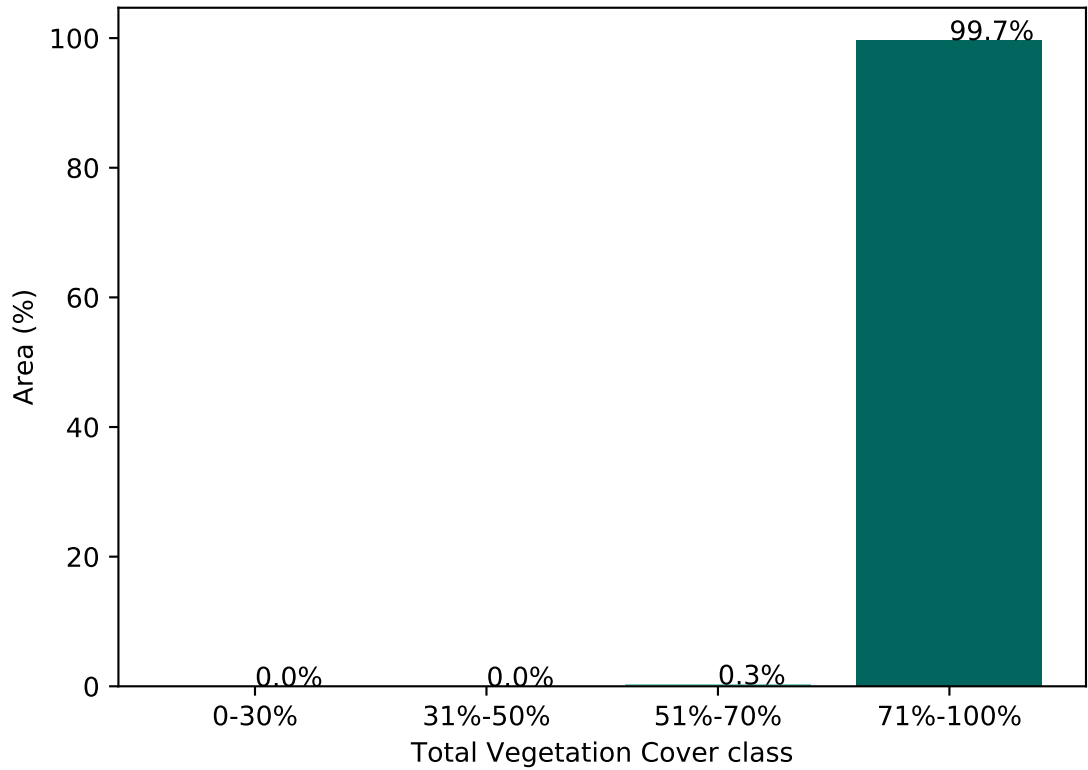
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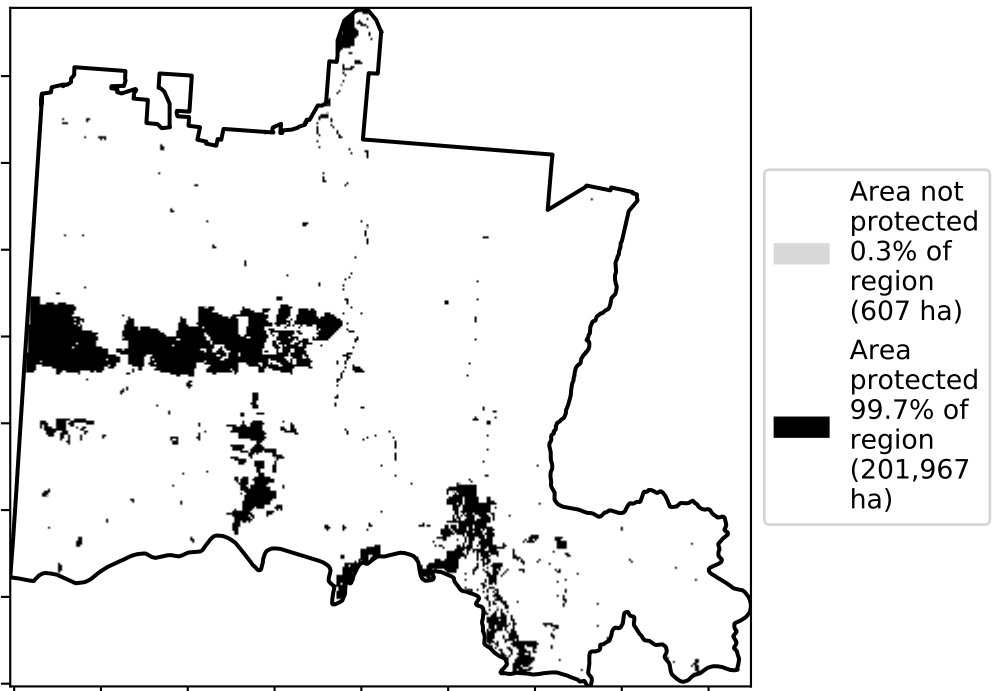
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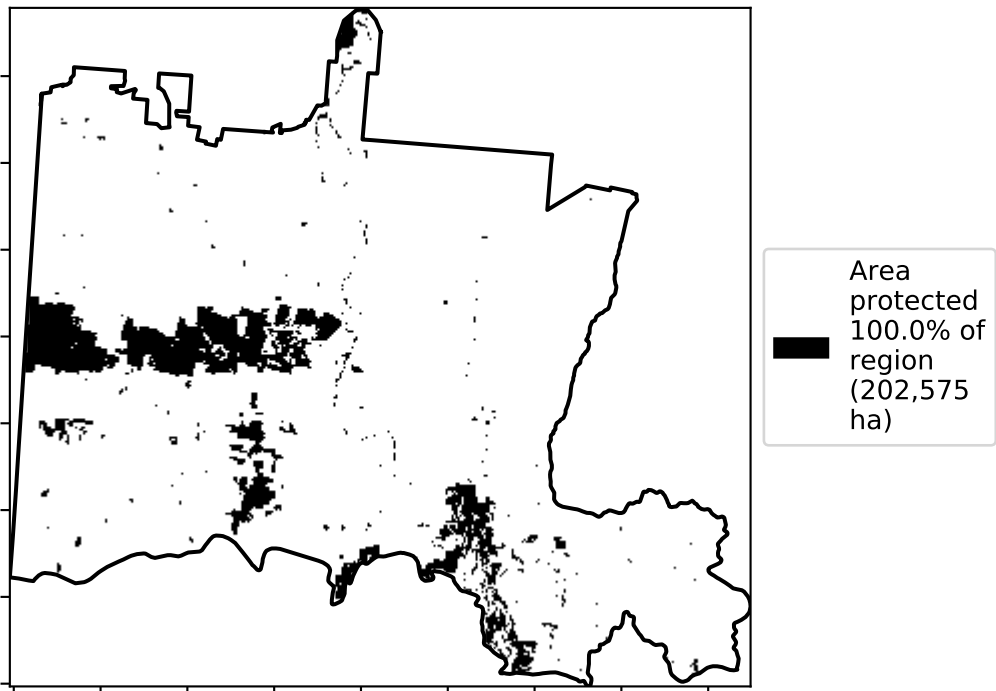
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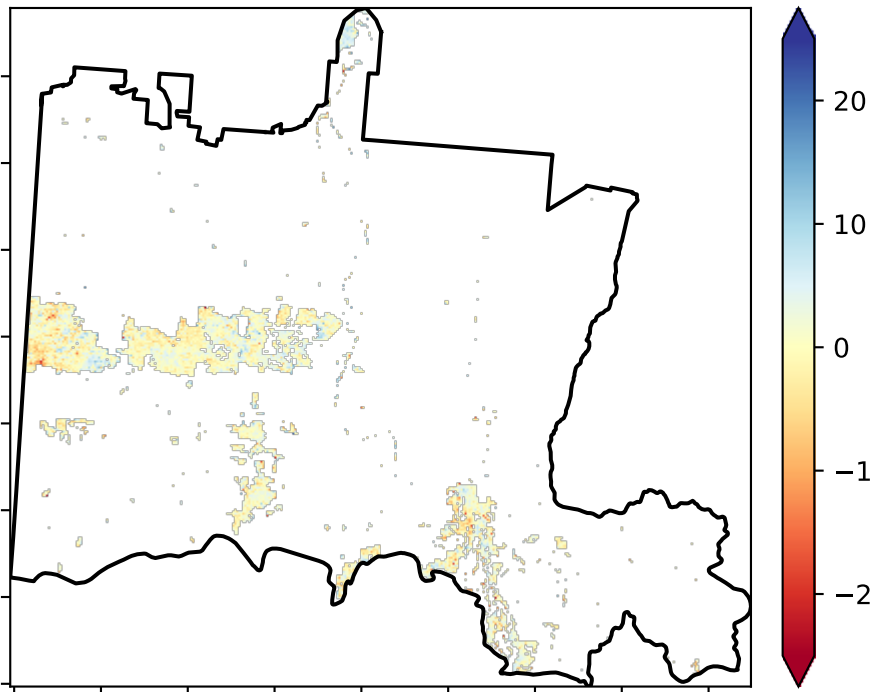


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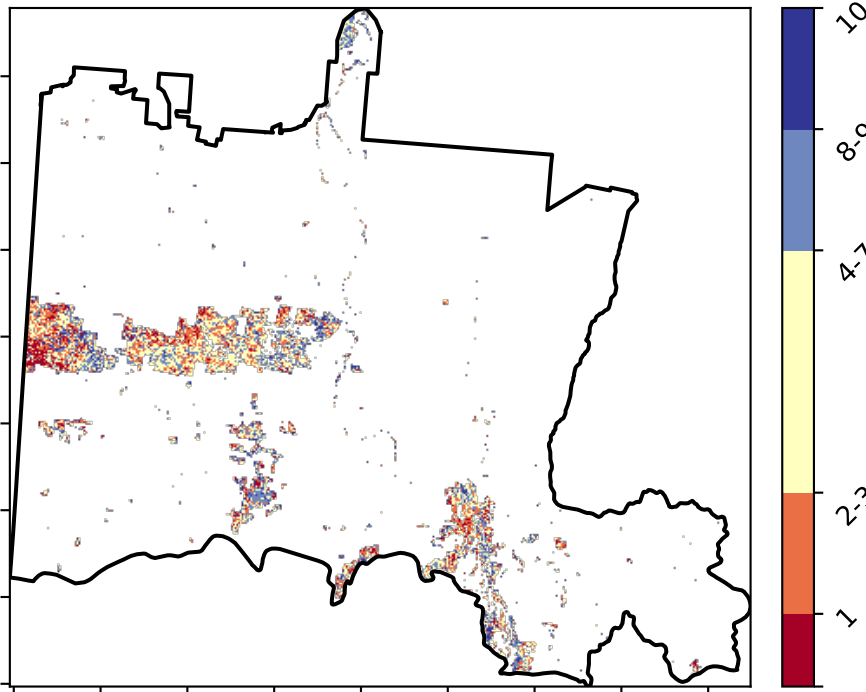
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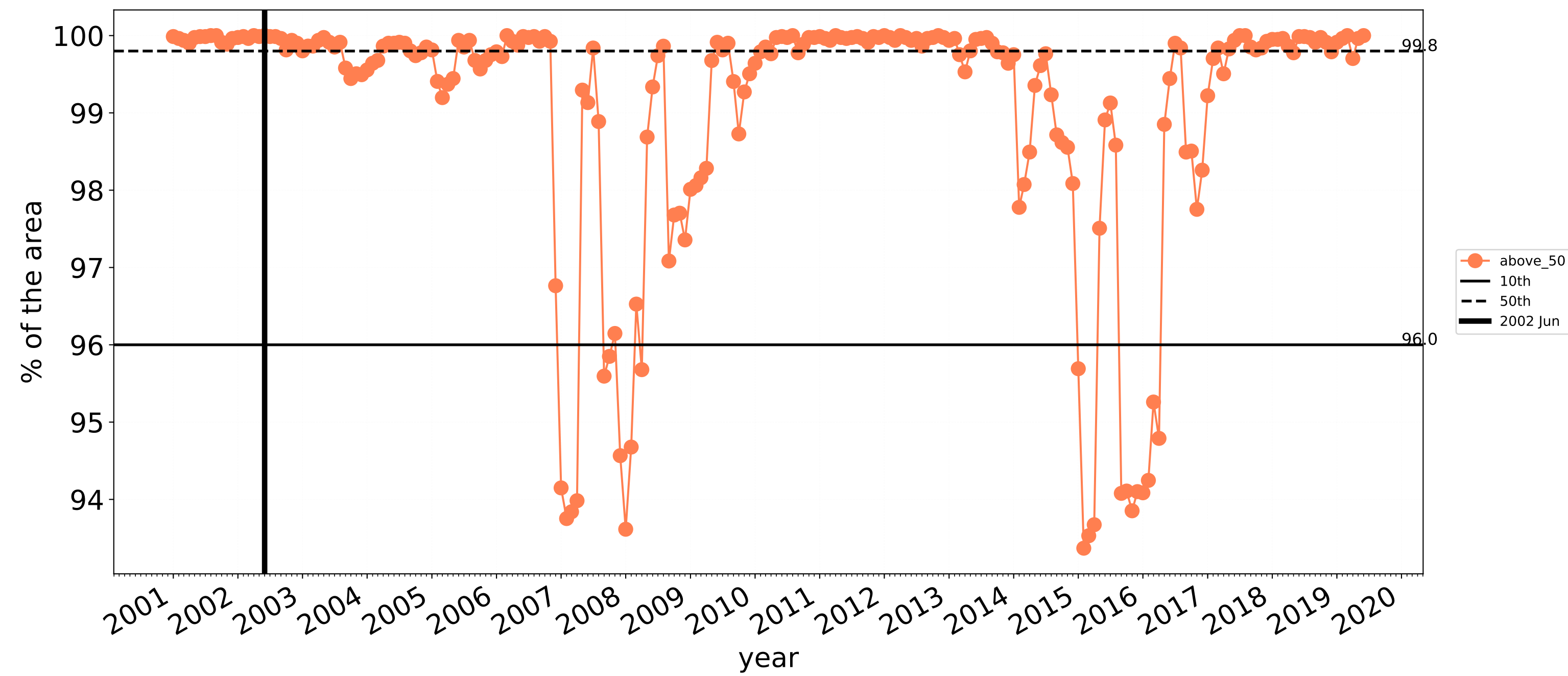
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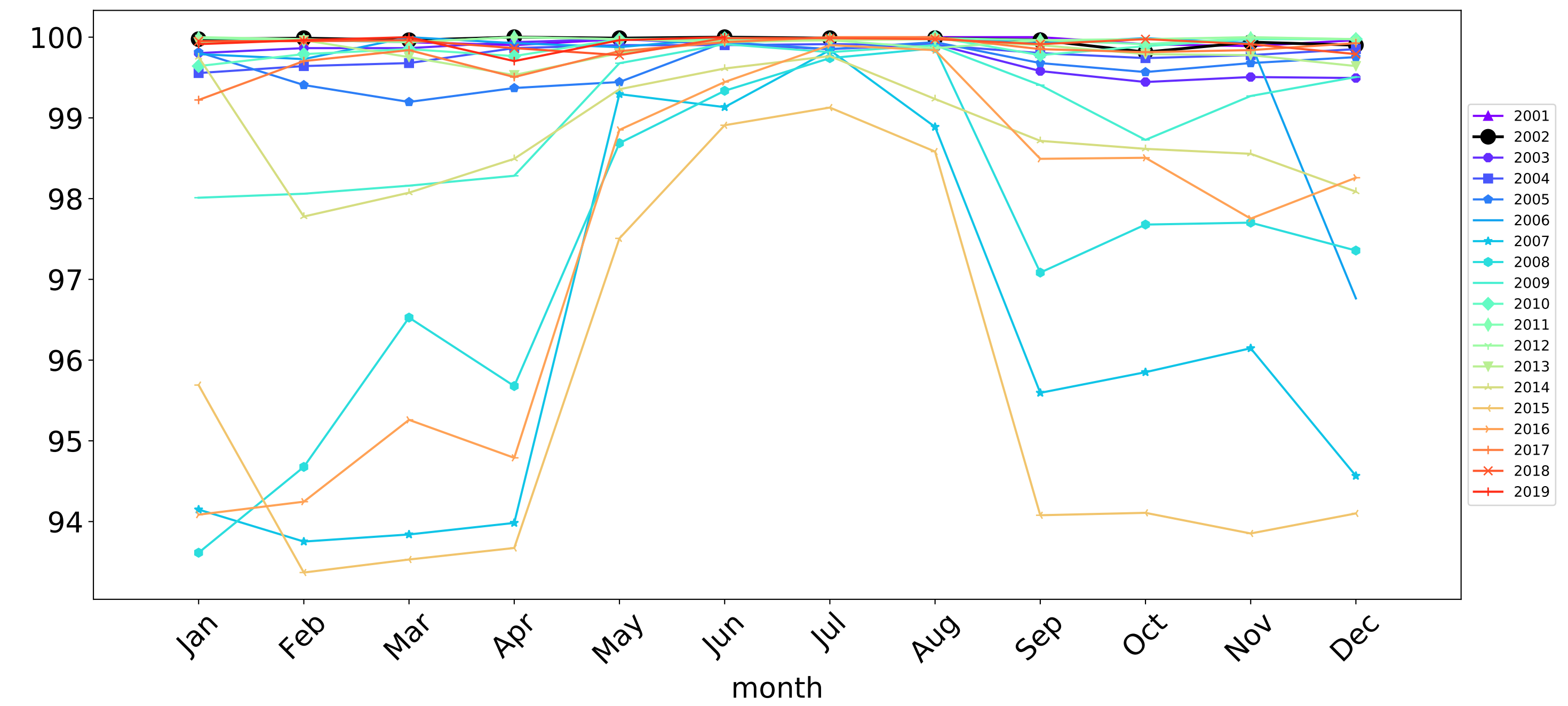
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Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries

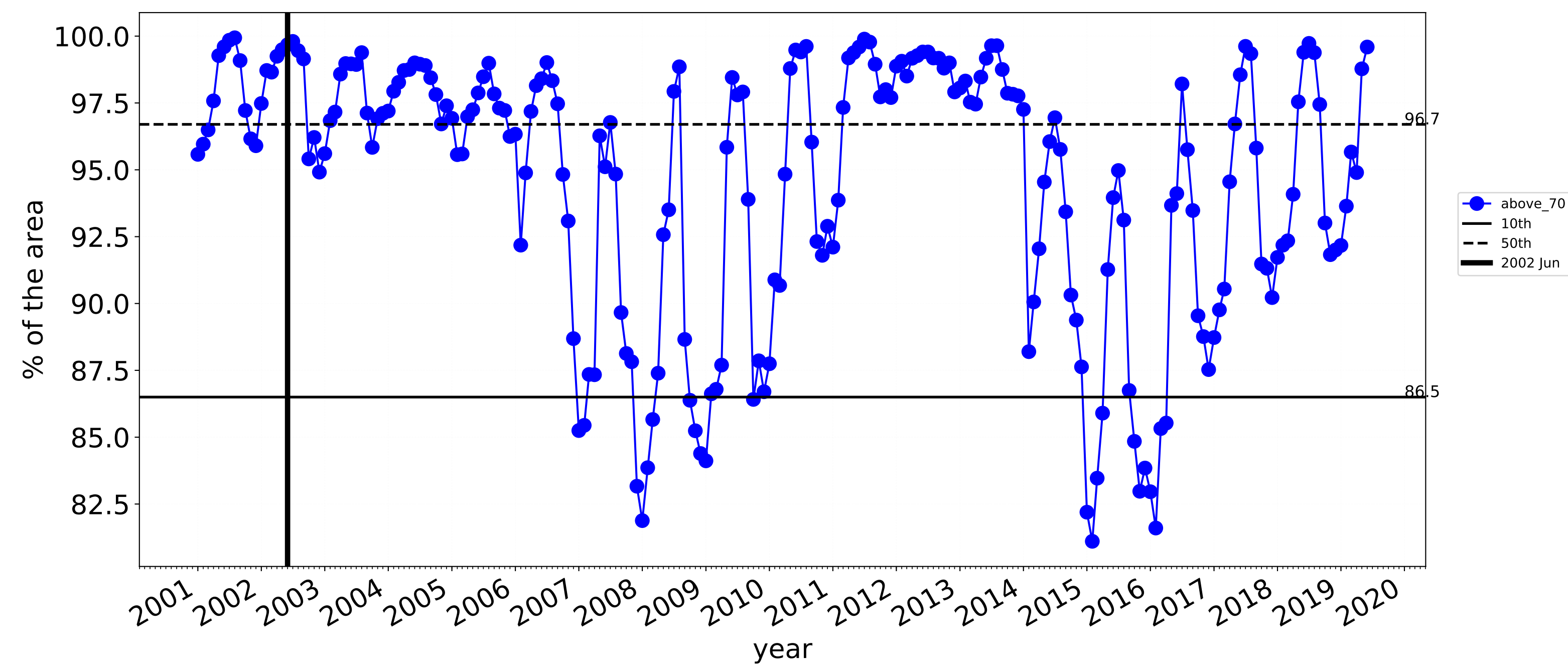
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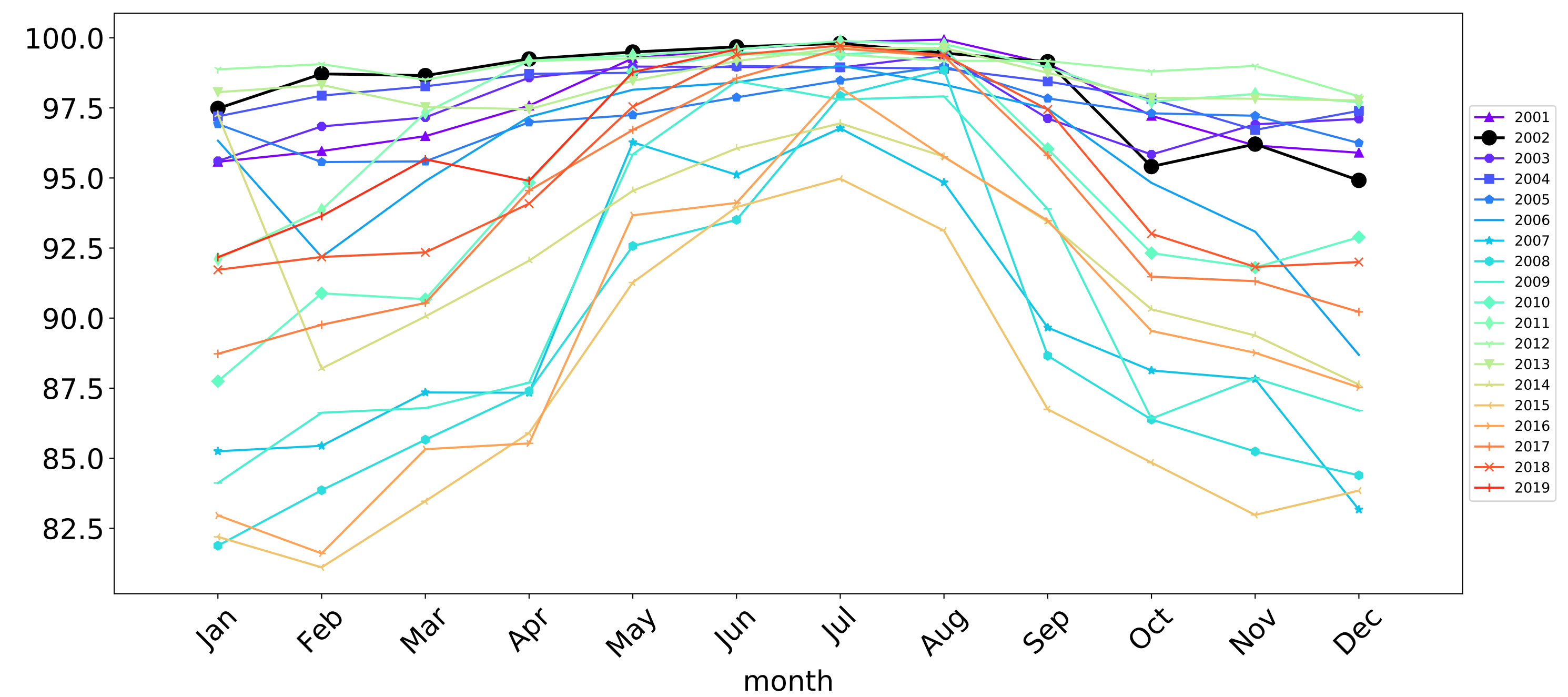
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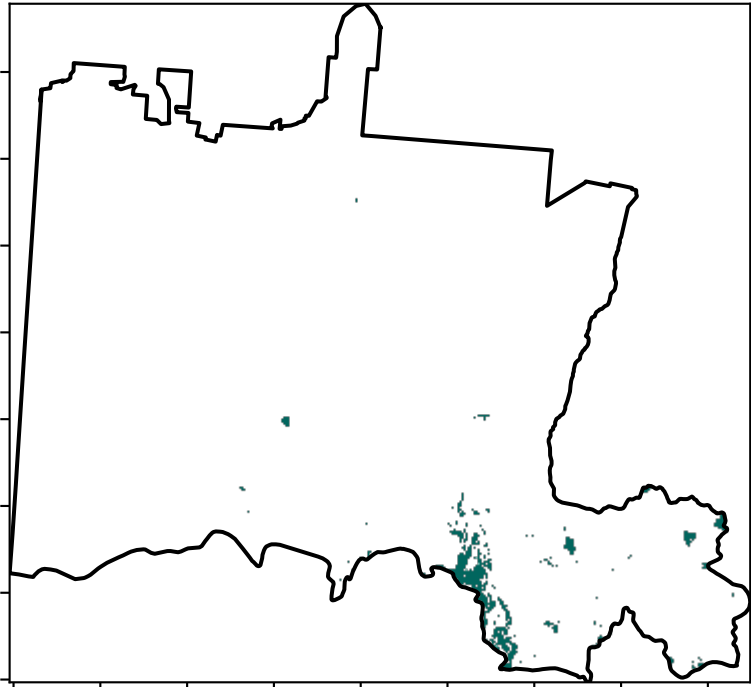
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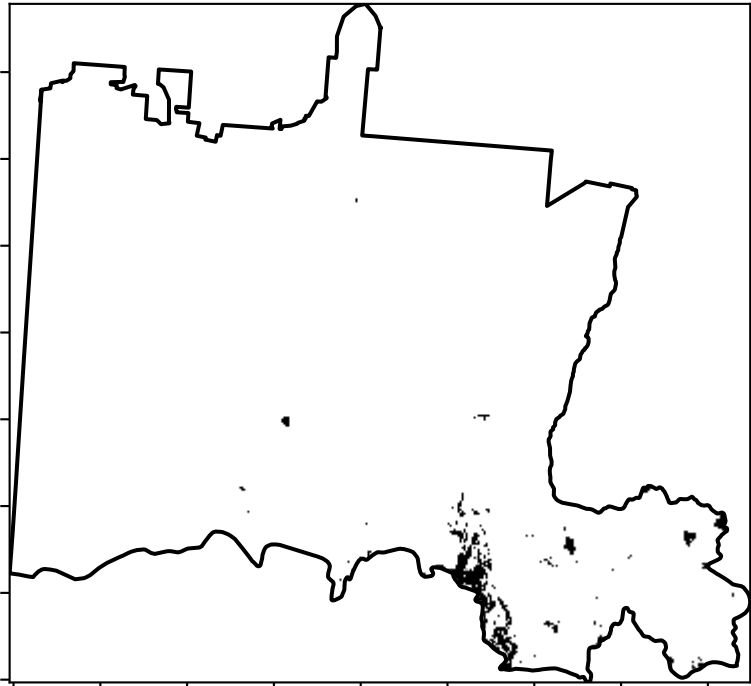
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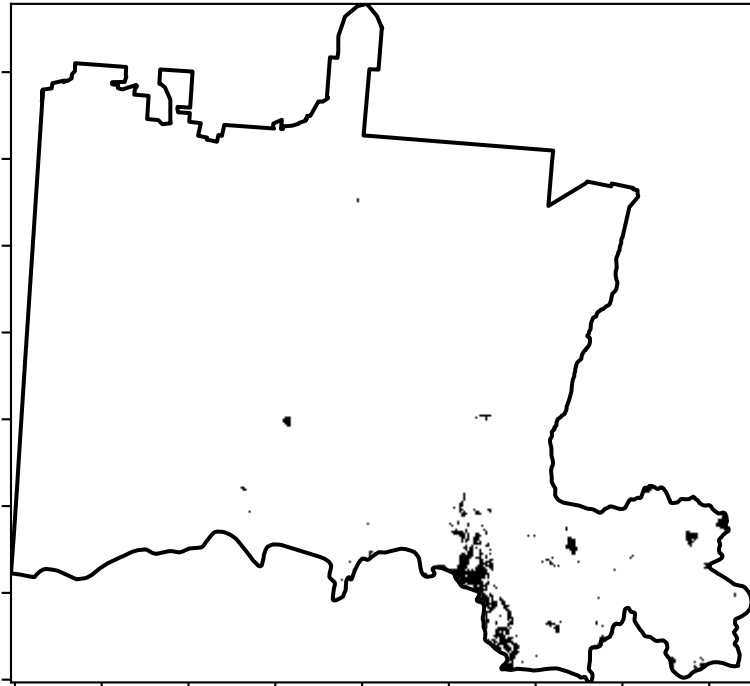
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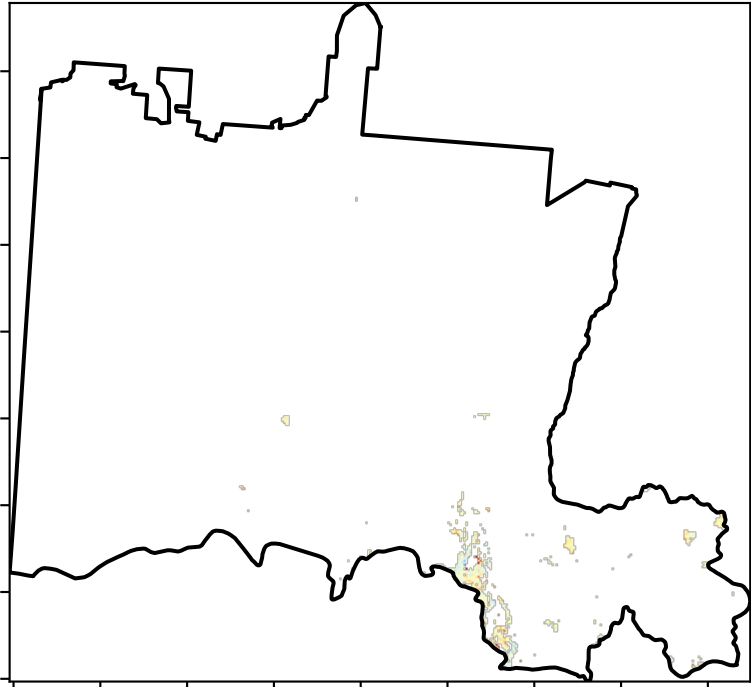


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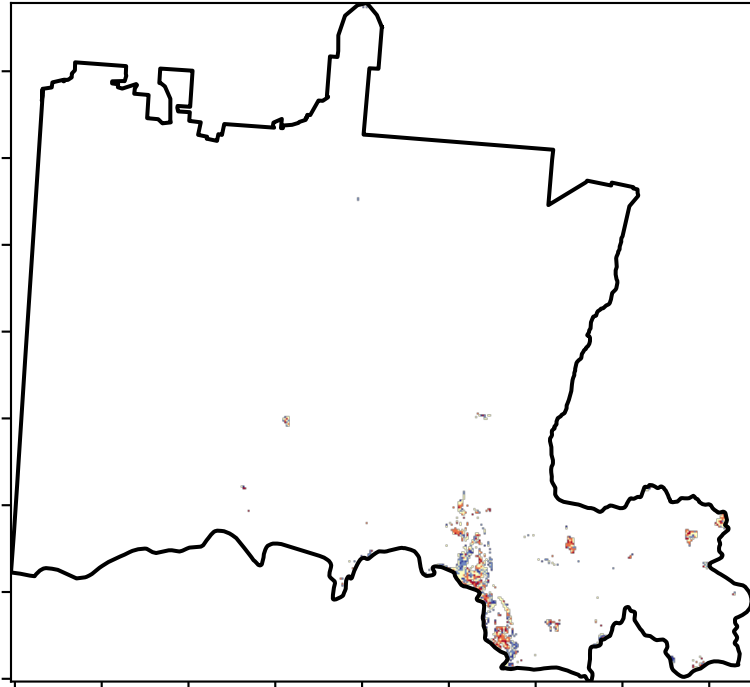
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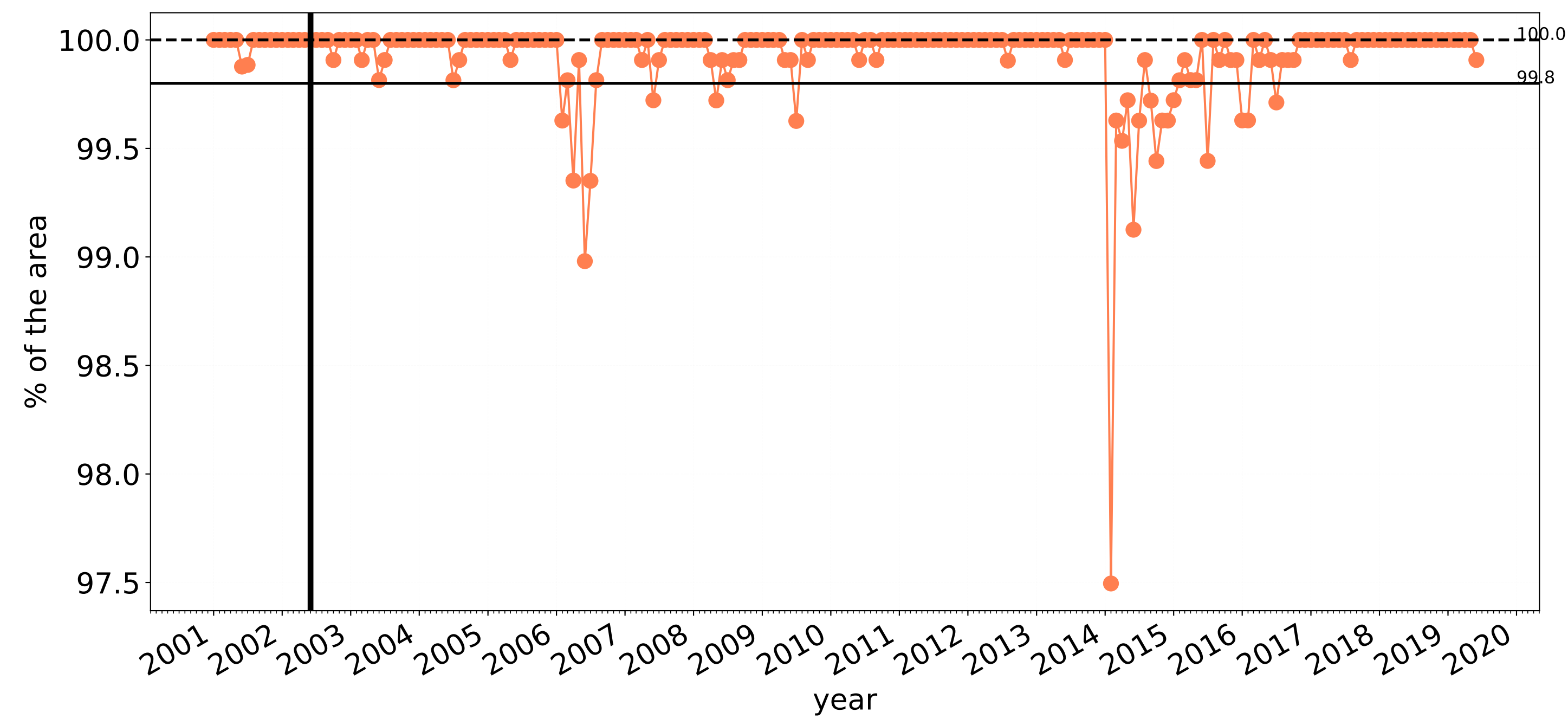
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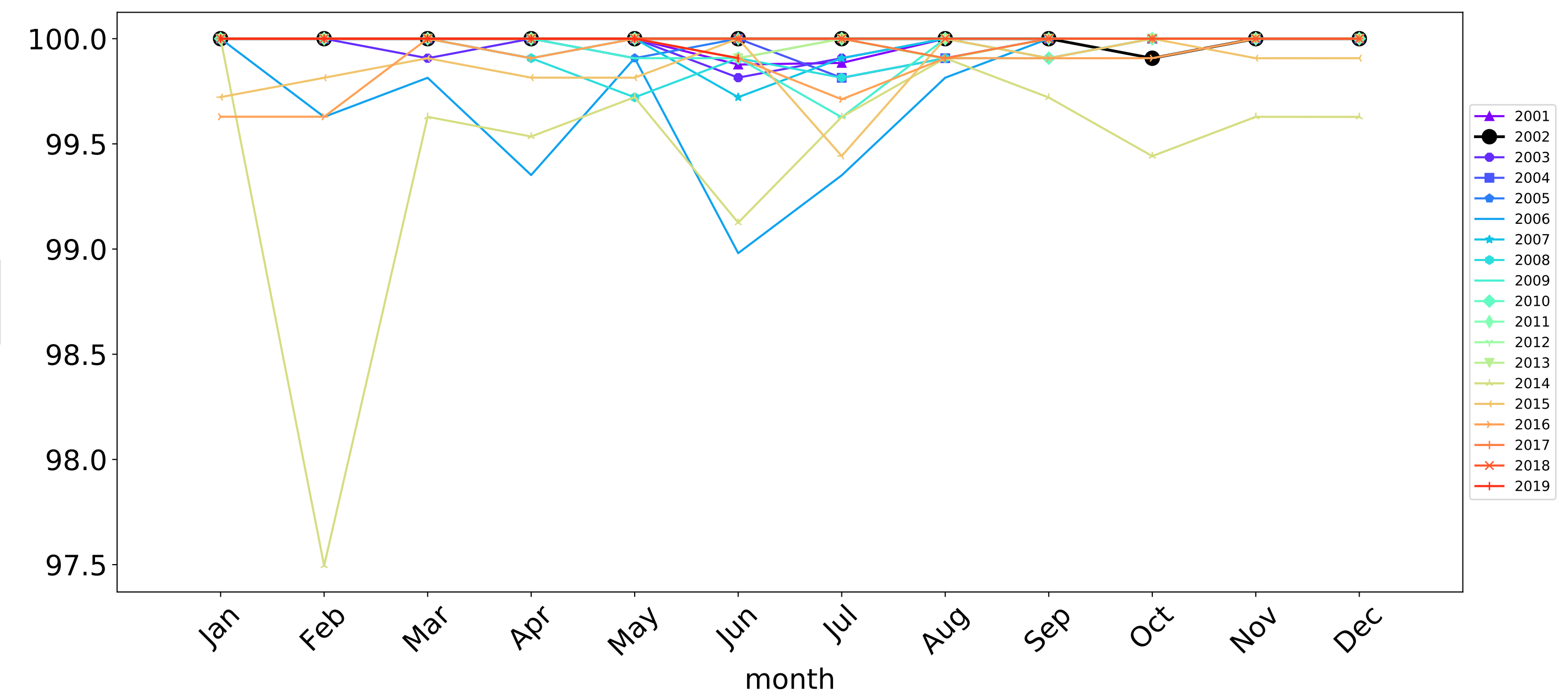
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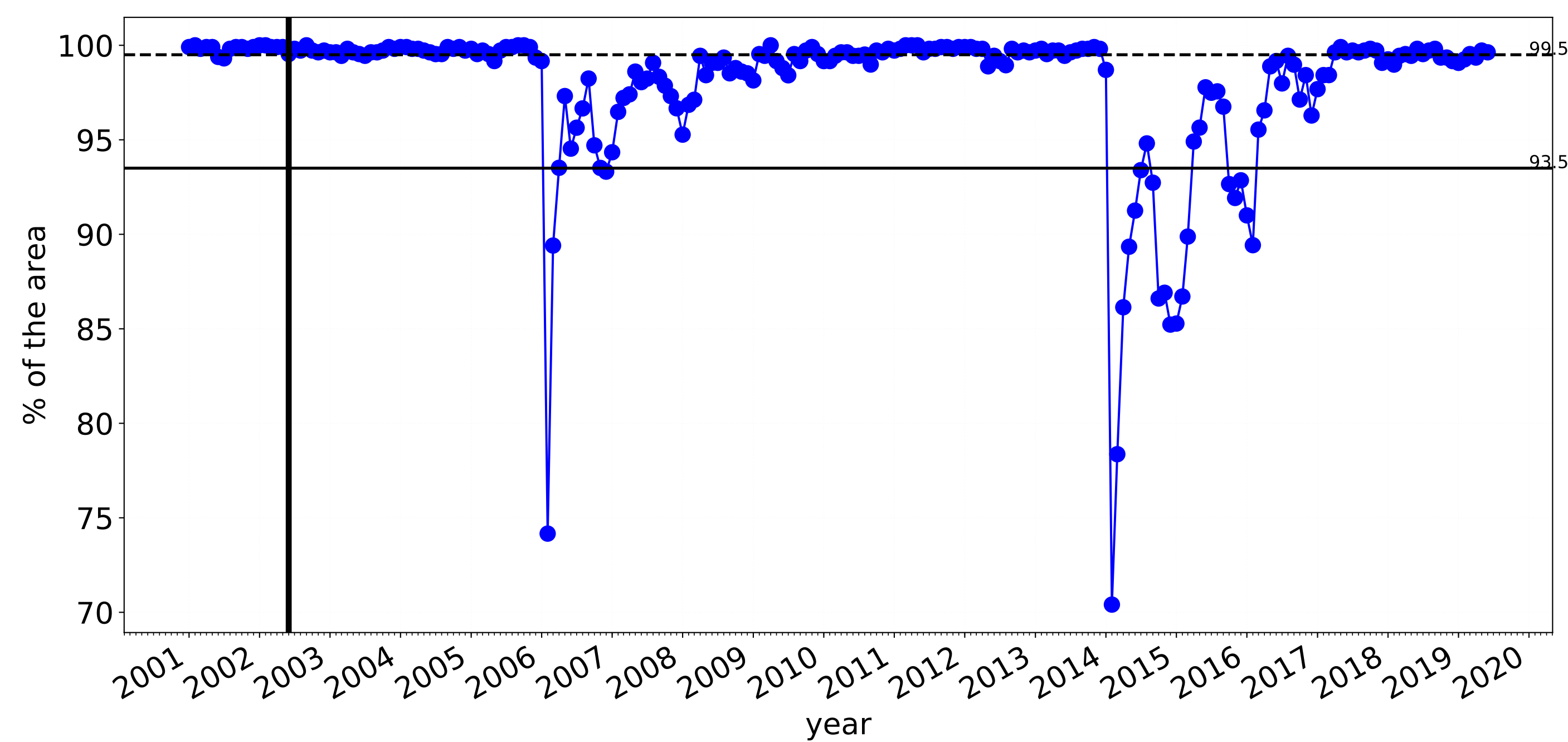
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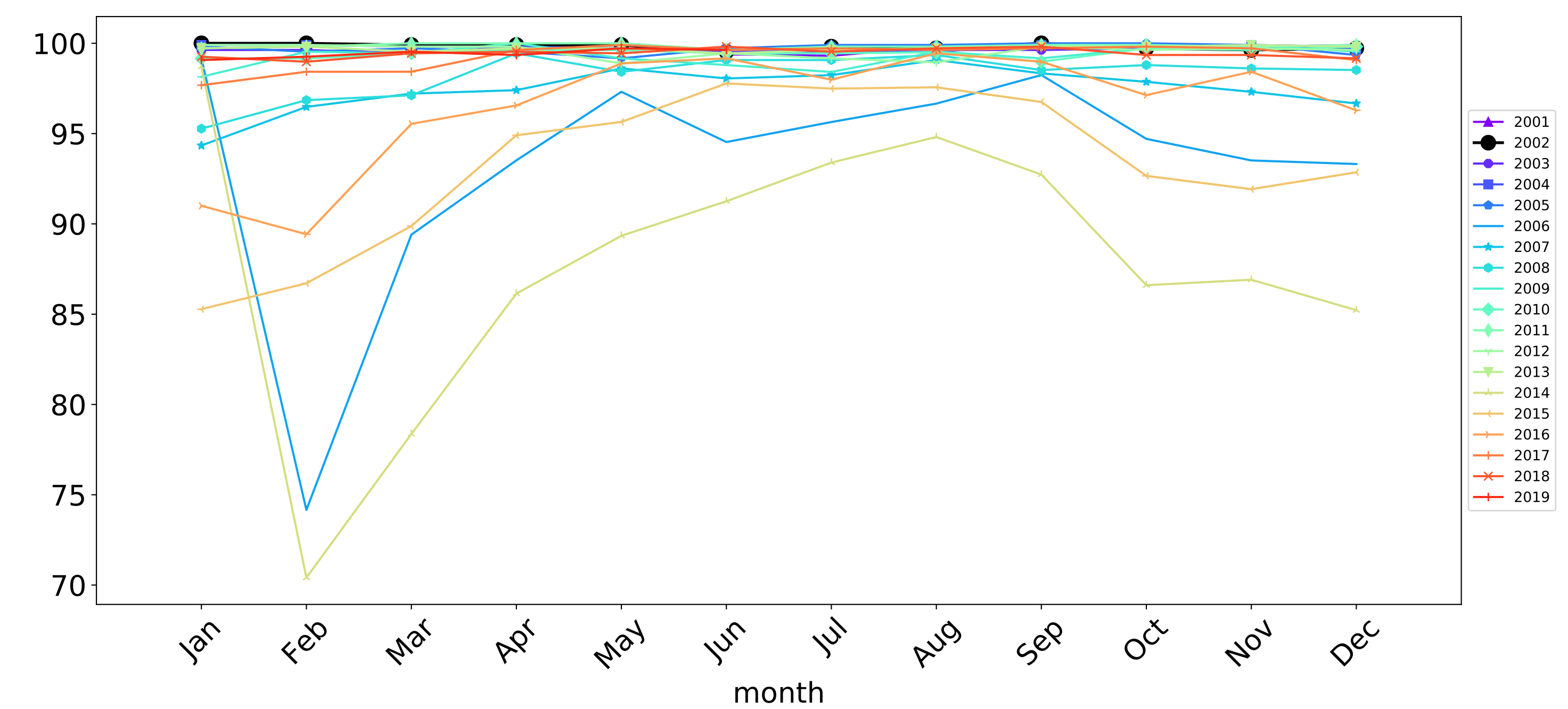
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Agriculture

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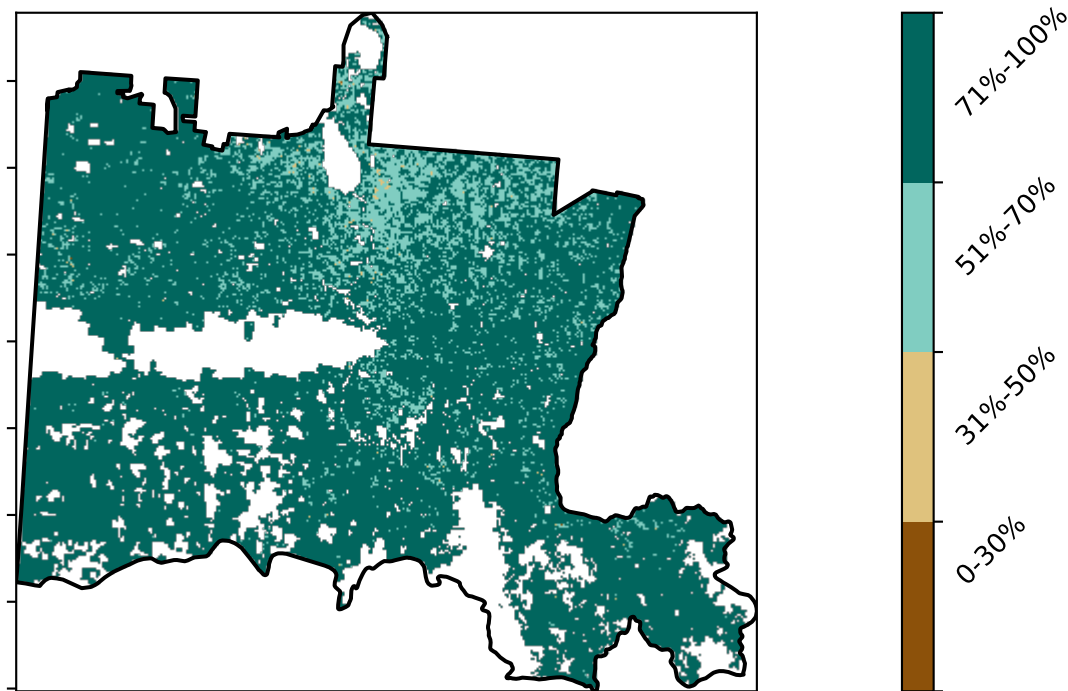
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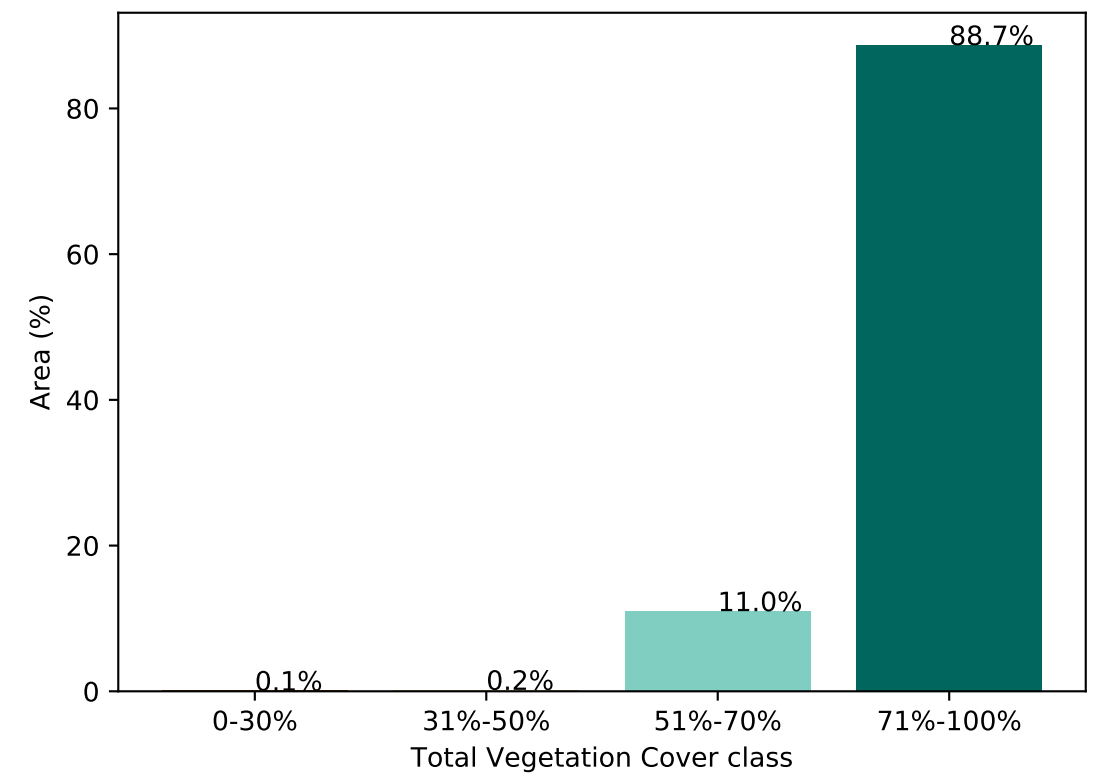
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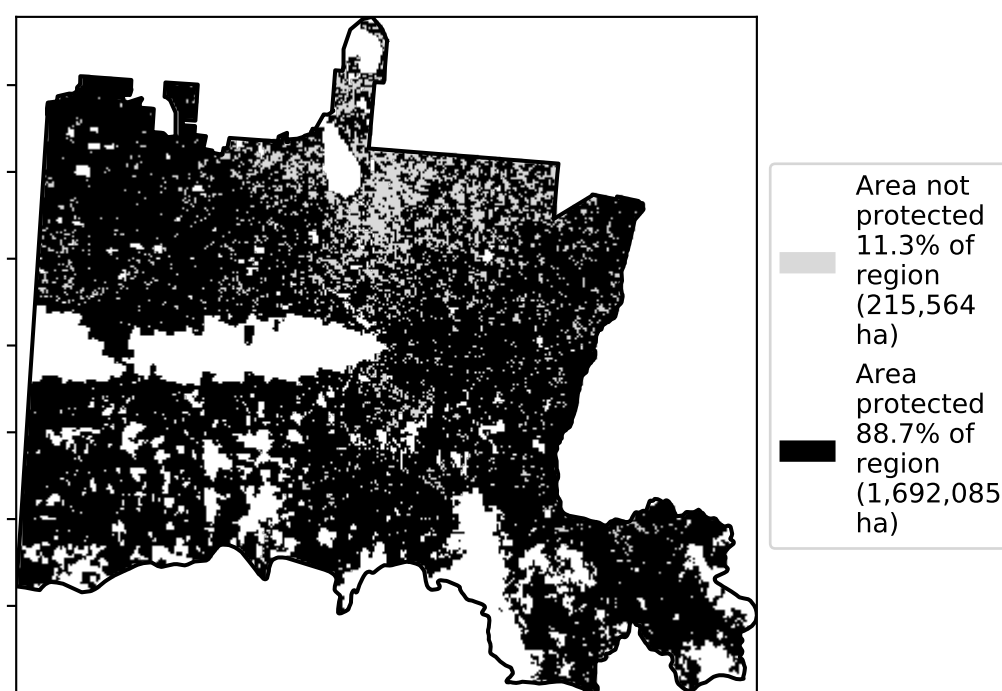
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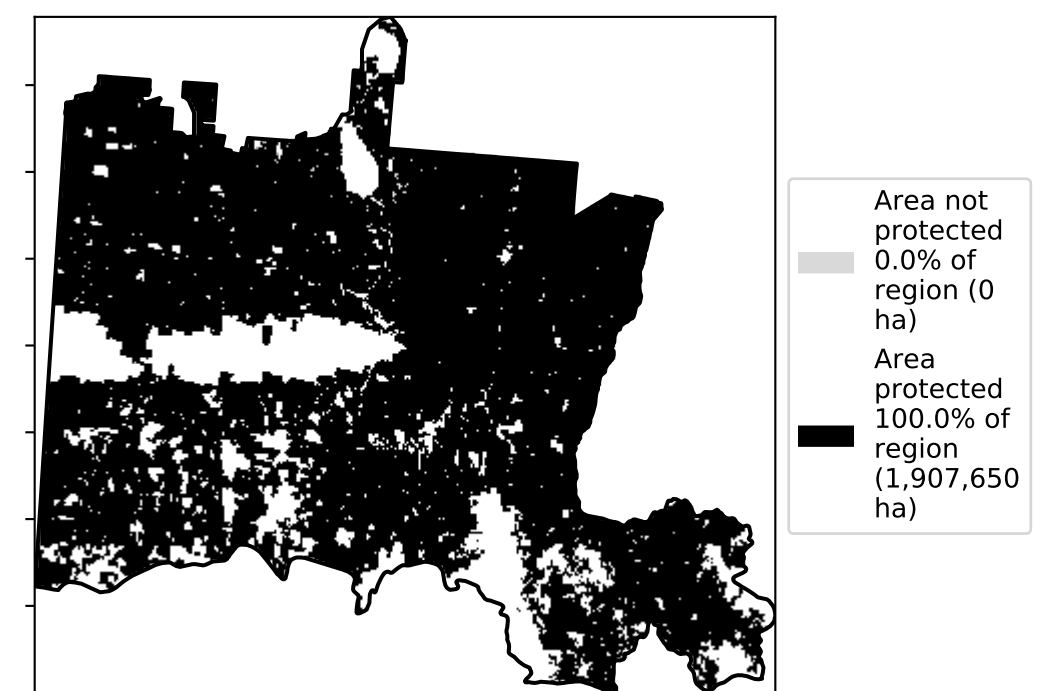
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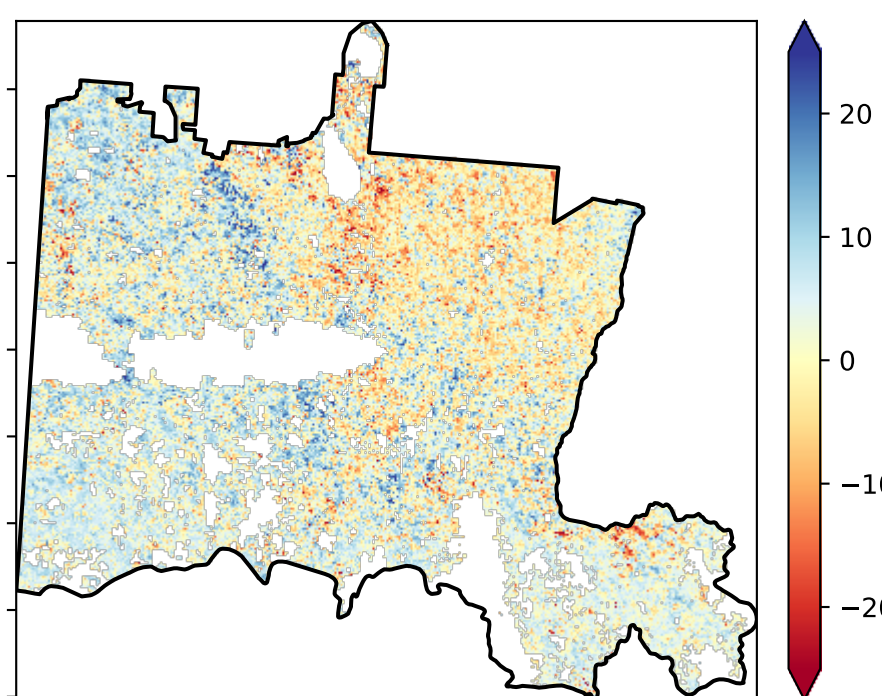


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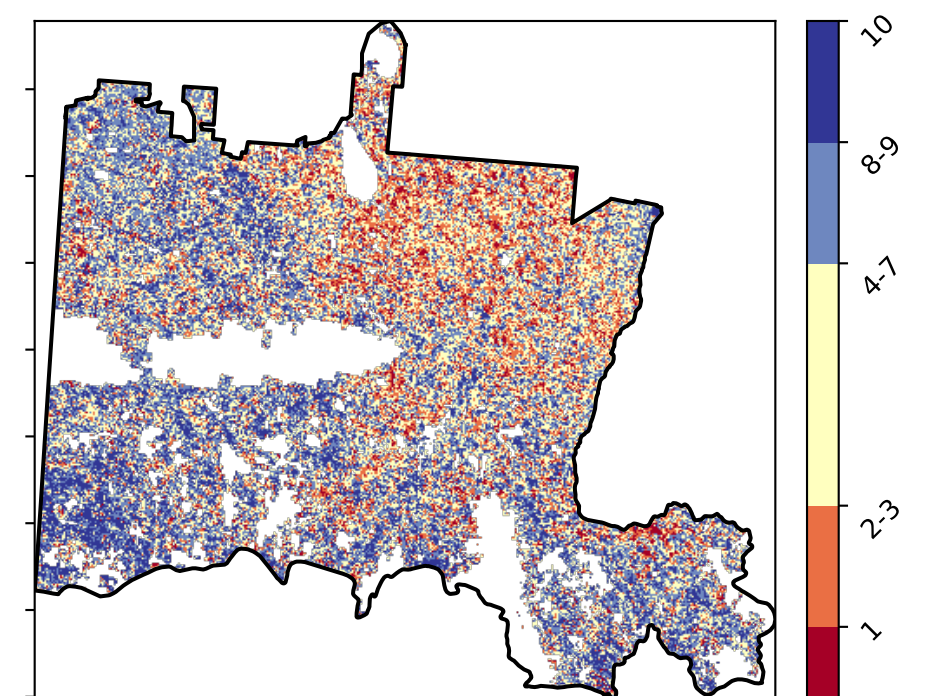
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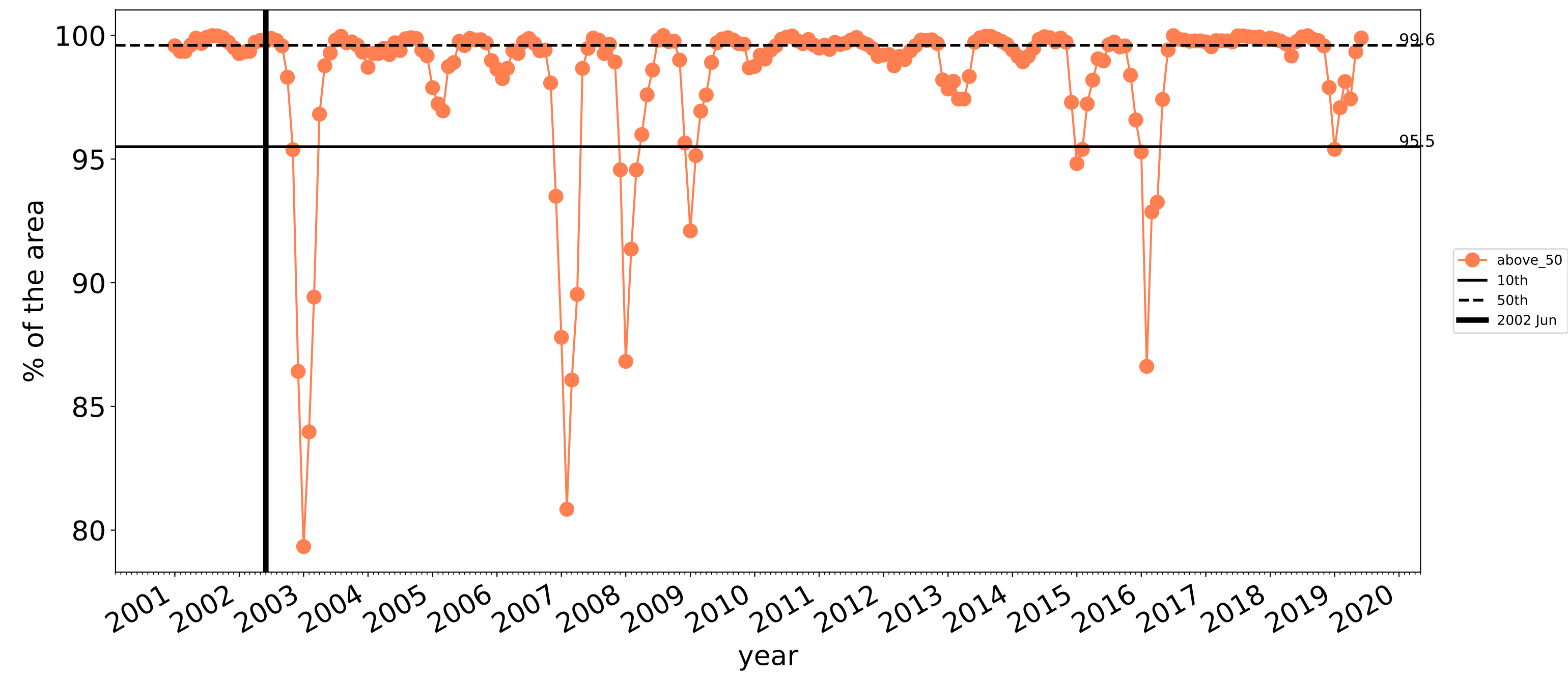
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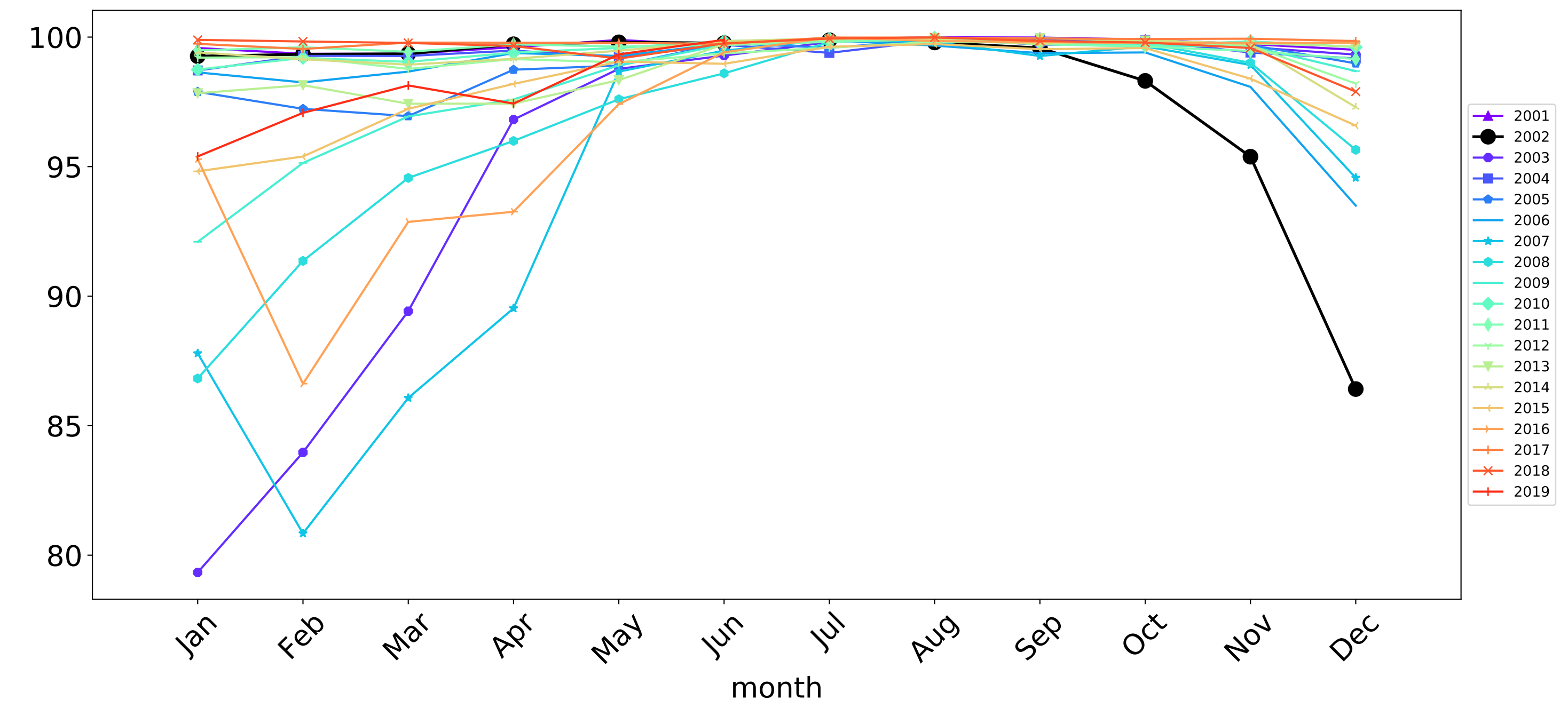


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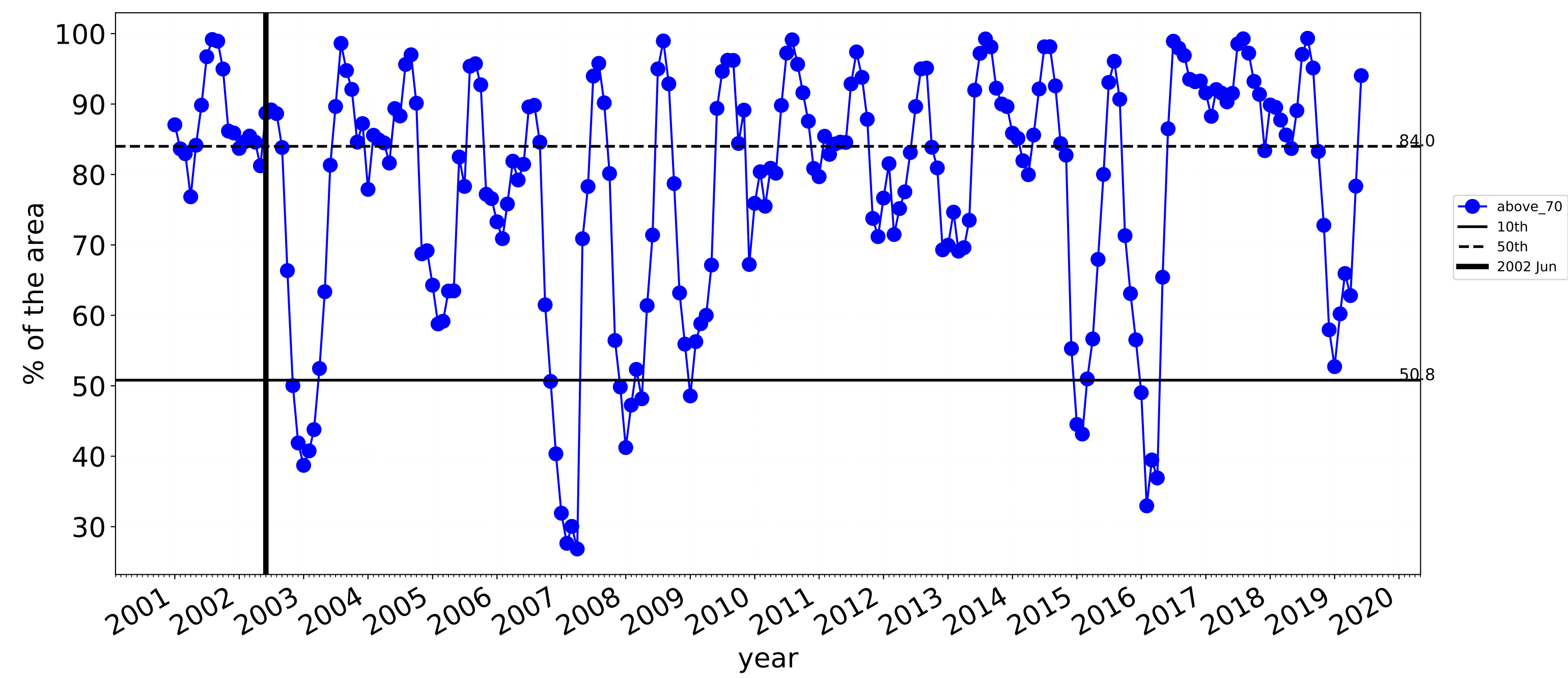
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



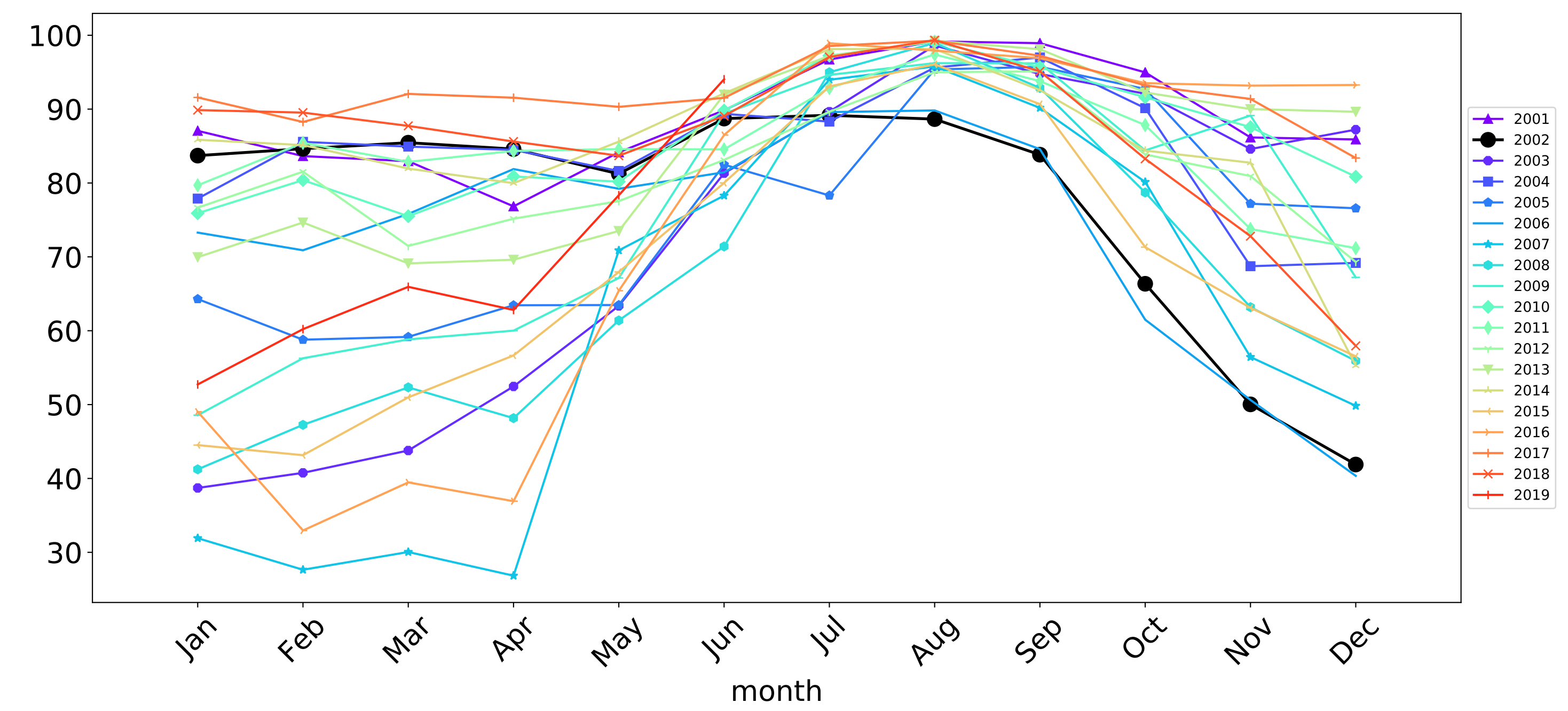
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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



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



Grazing

Land use and forest cover

Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018)
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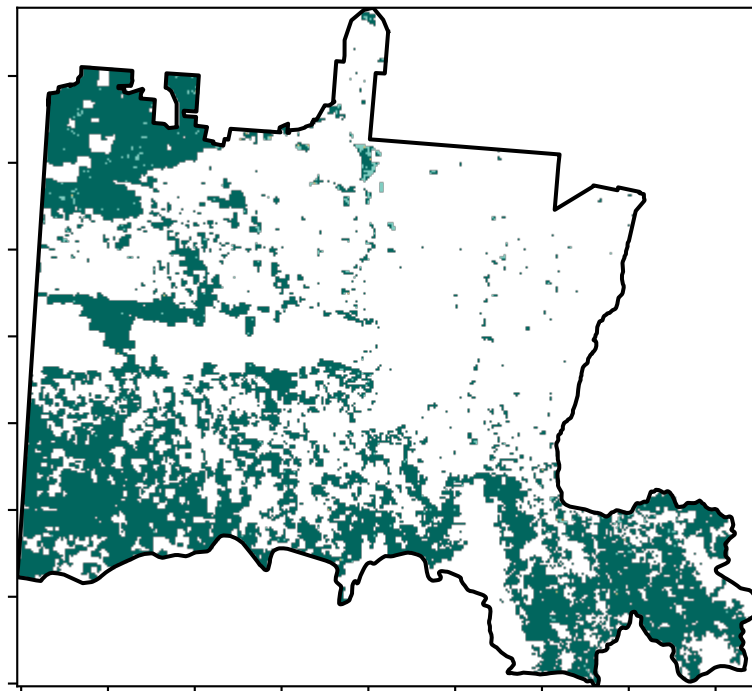


1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest
2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest
3 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest

Proportion of each land class in area

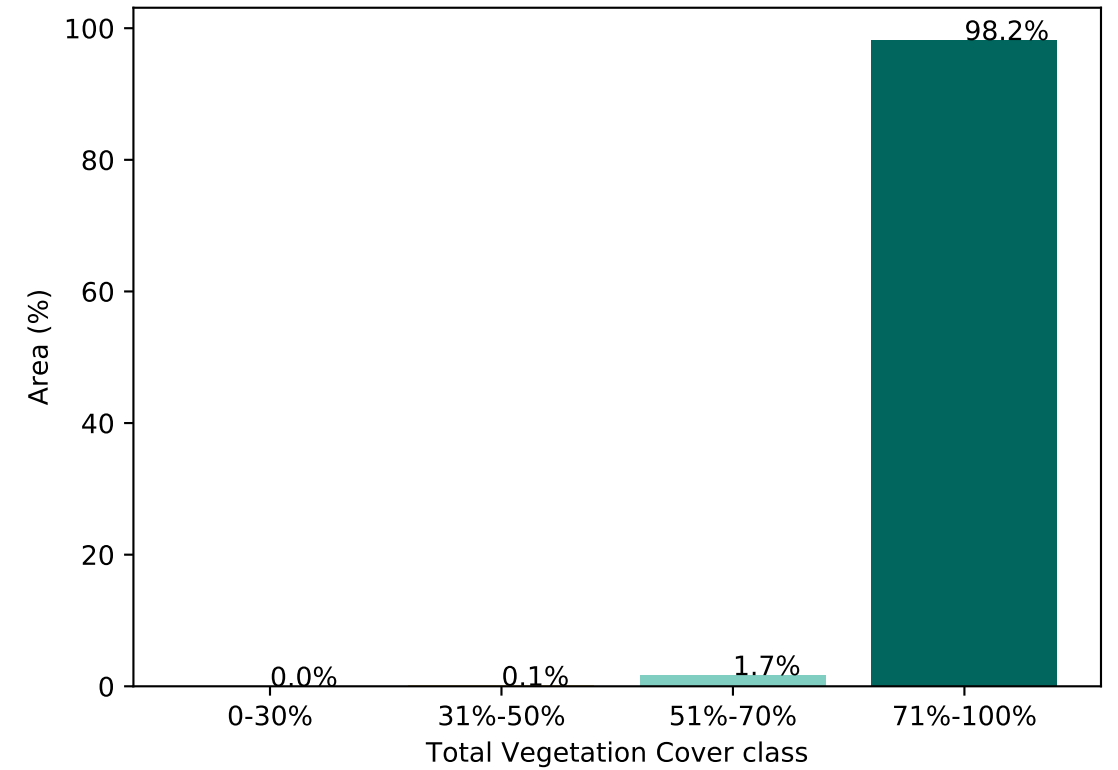


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

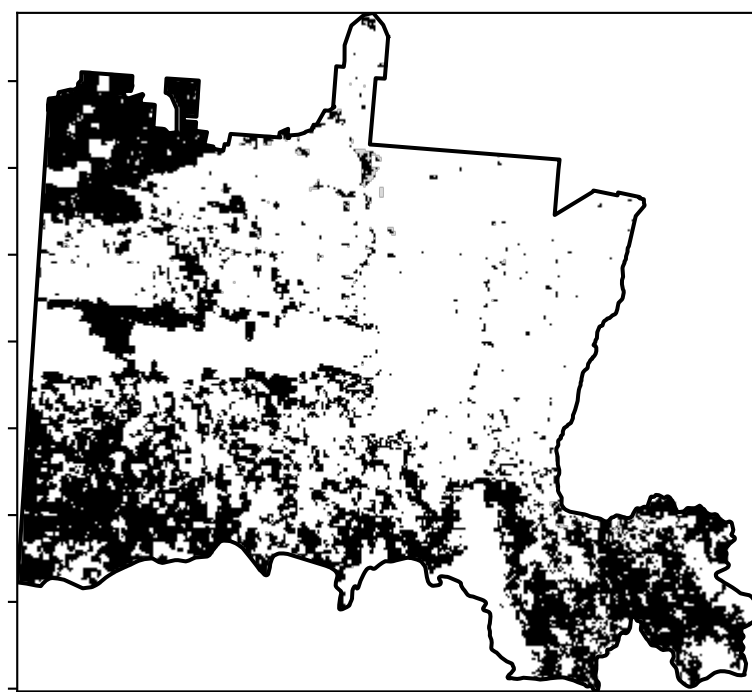


71%-100%
51%-70%
31%-50%
0-30%

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

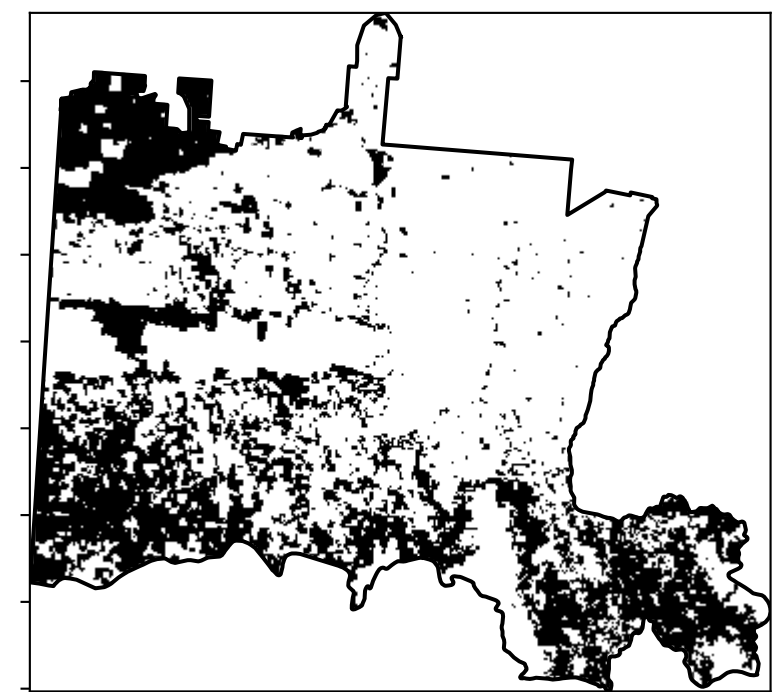


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Area not protected
1.8% of region
(13,982 ha)
Area protected
98.2% of region
(762,842 ha)

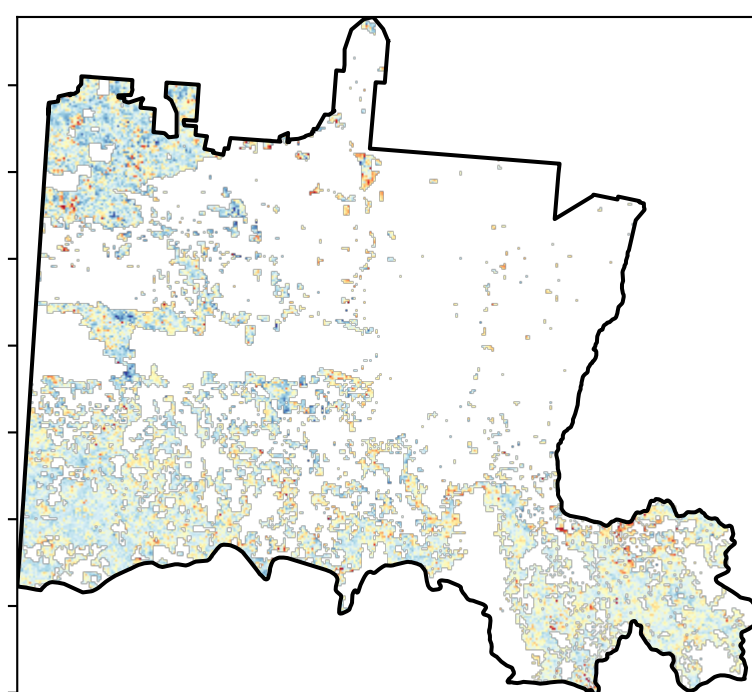
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Area not protected
0.0% of region
(0 ha)
Area protected
100.0% of region
(776,825 ha)

Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

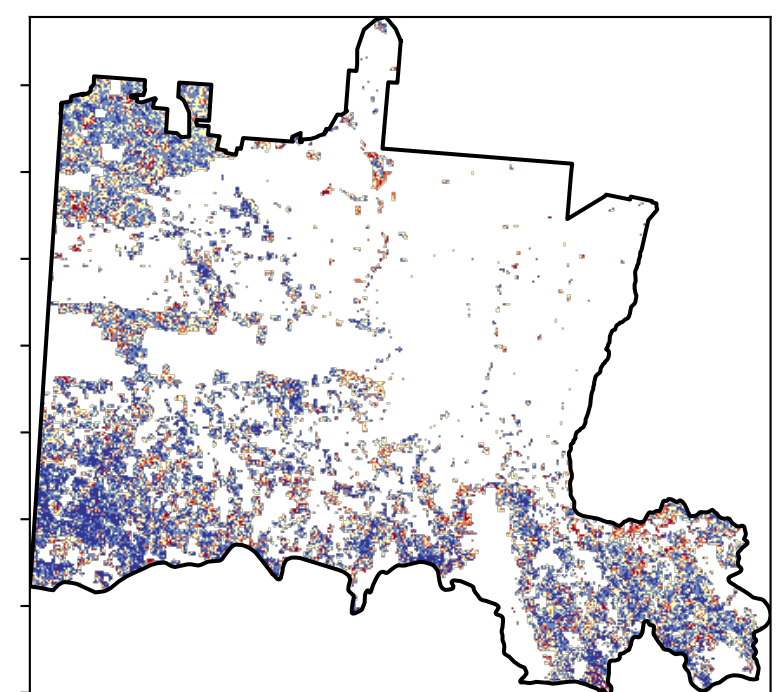
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-10
-20

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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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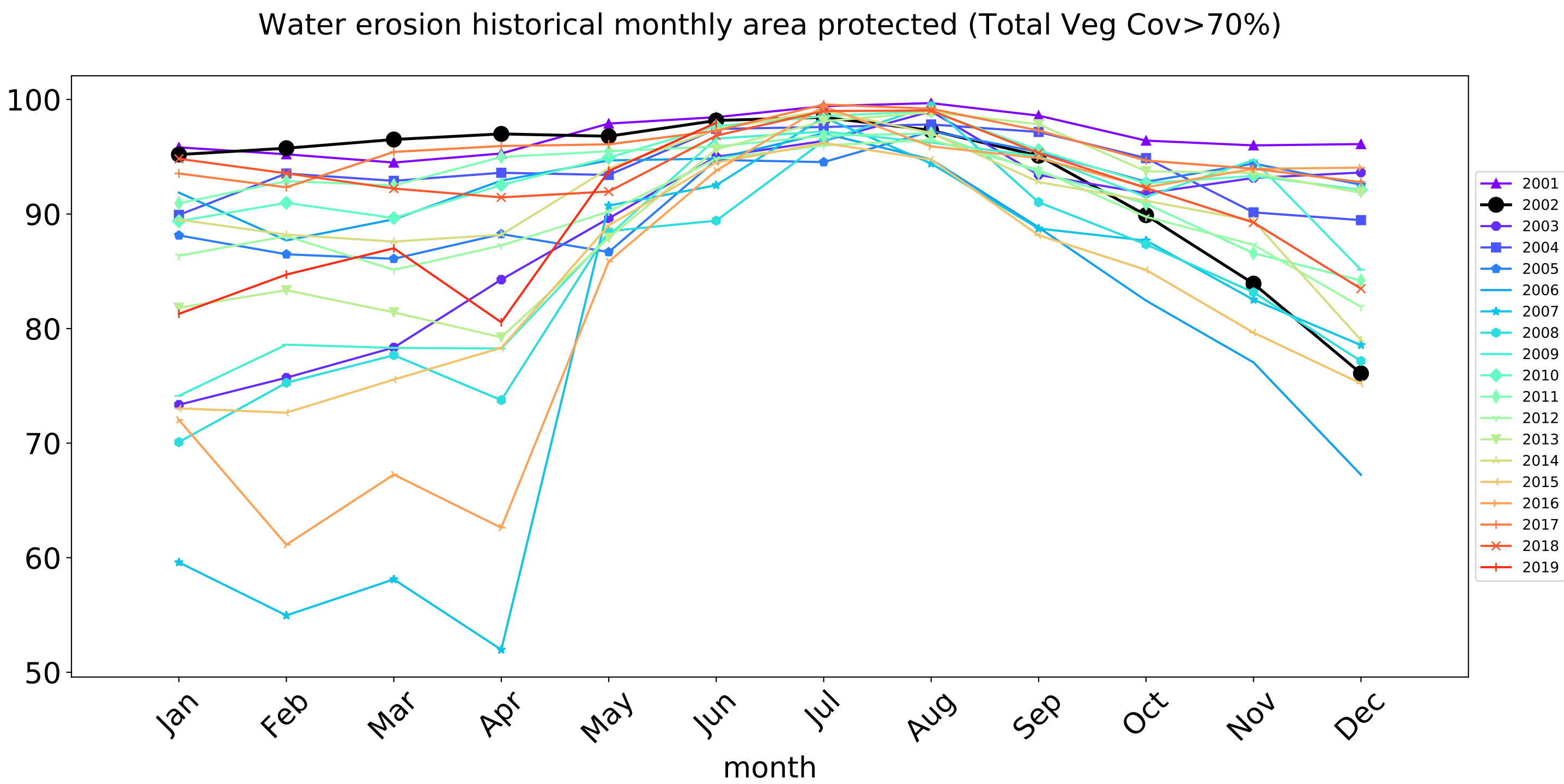
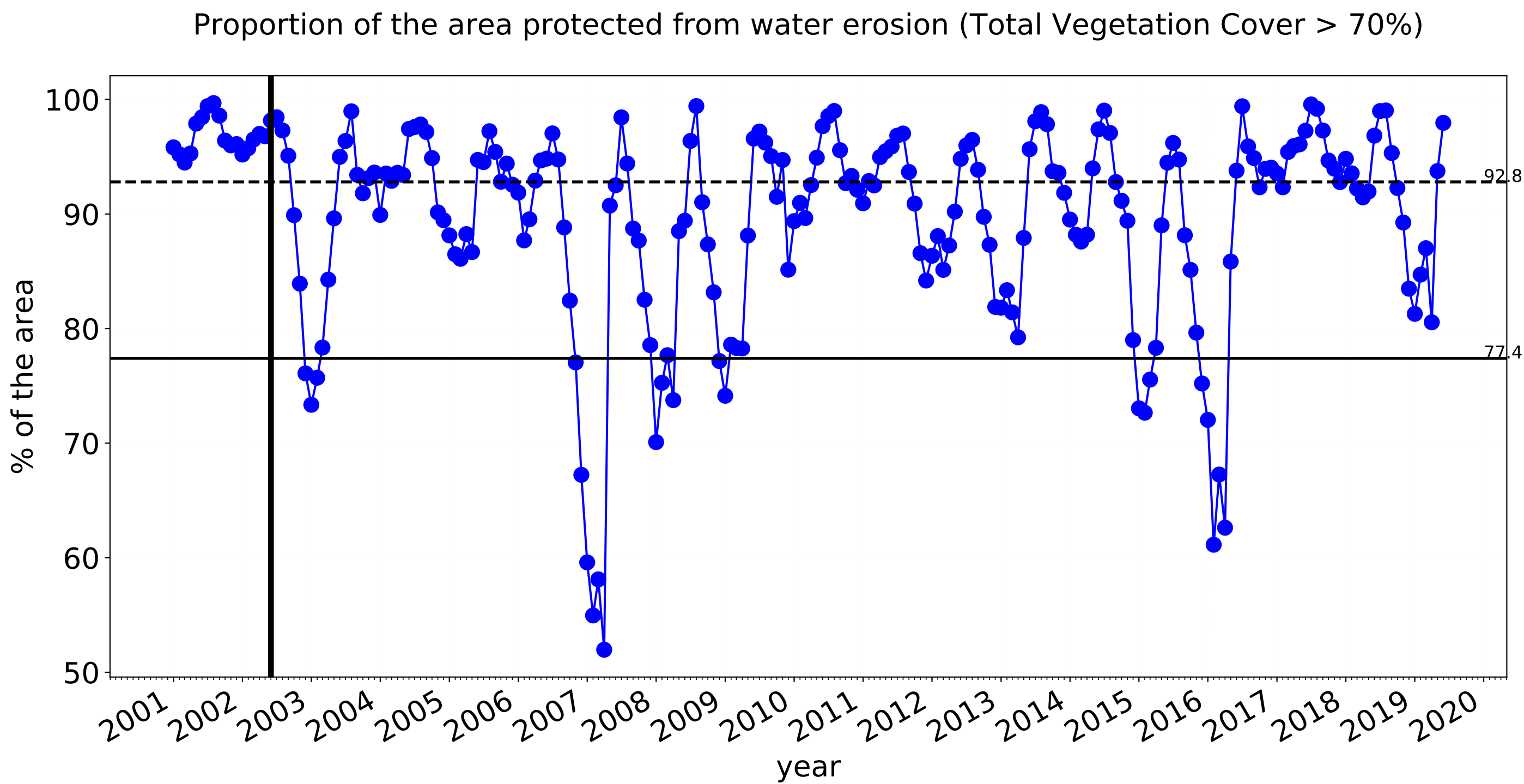
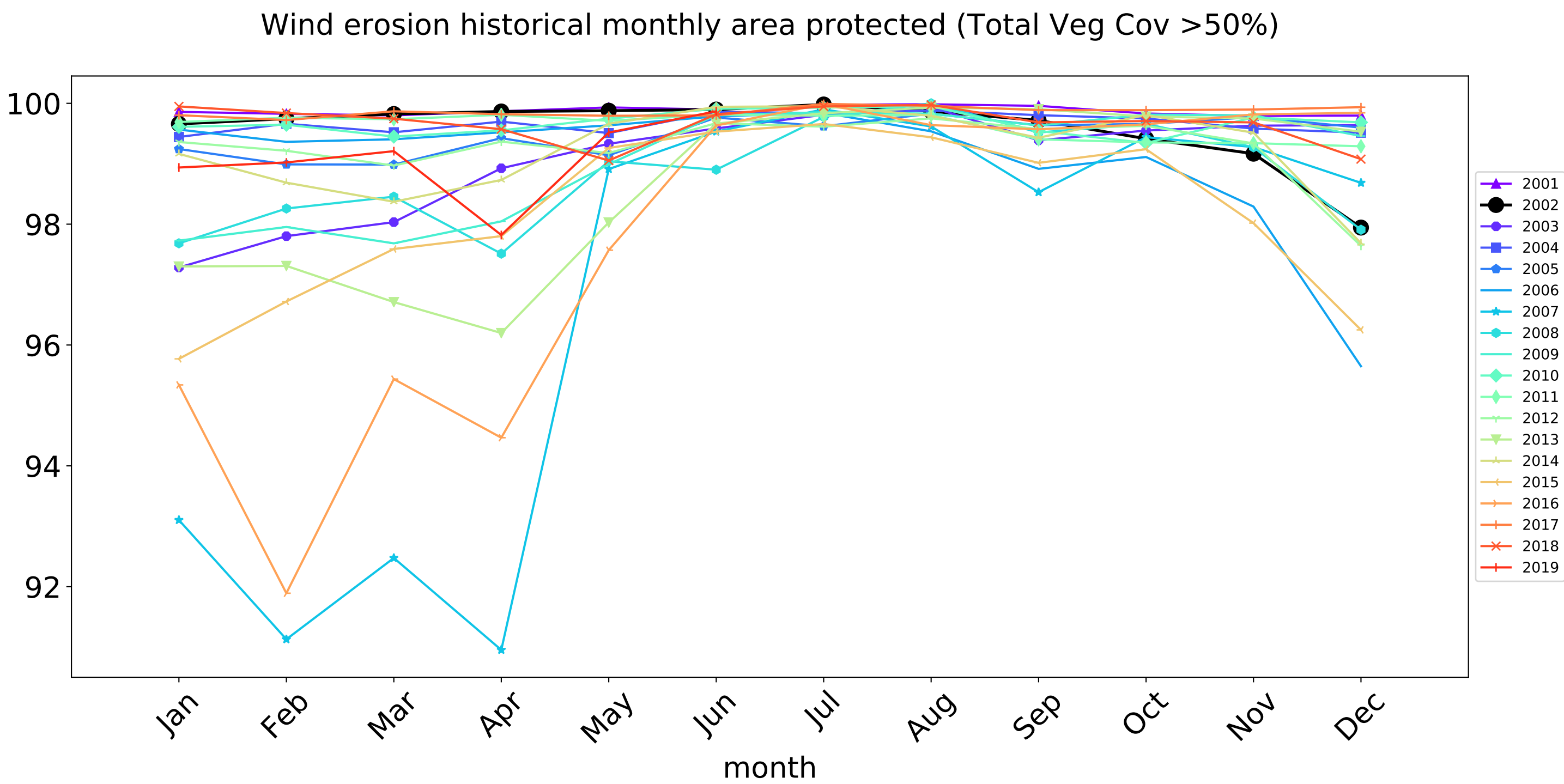
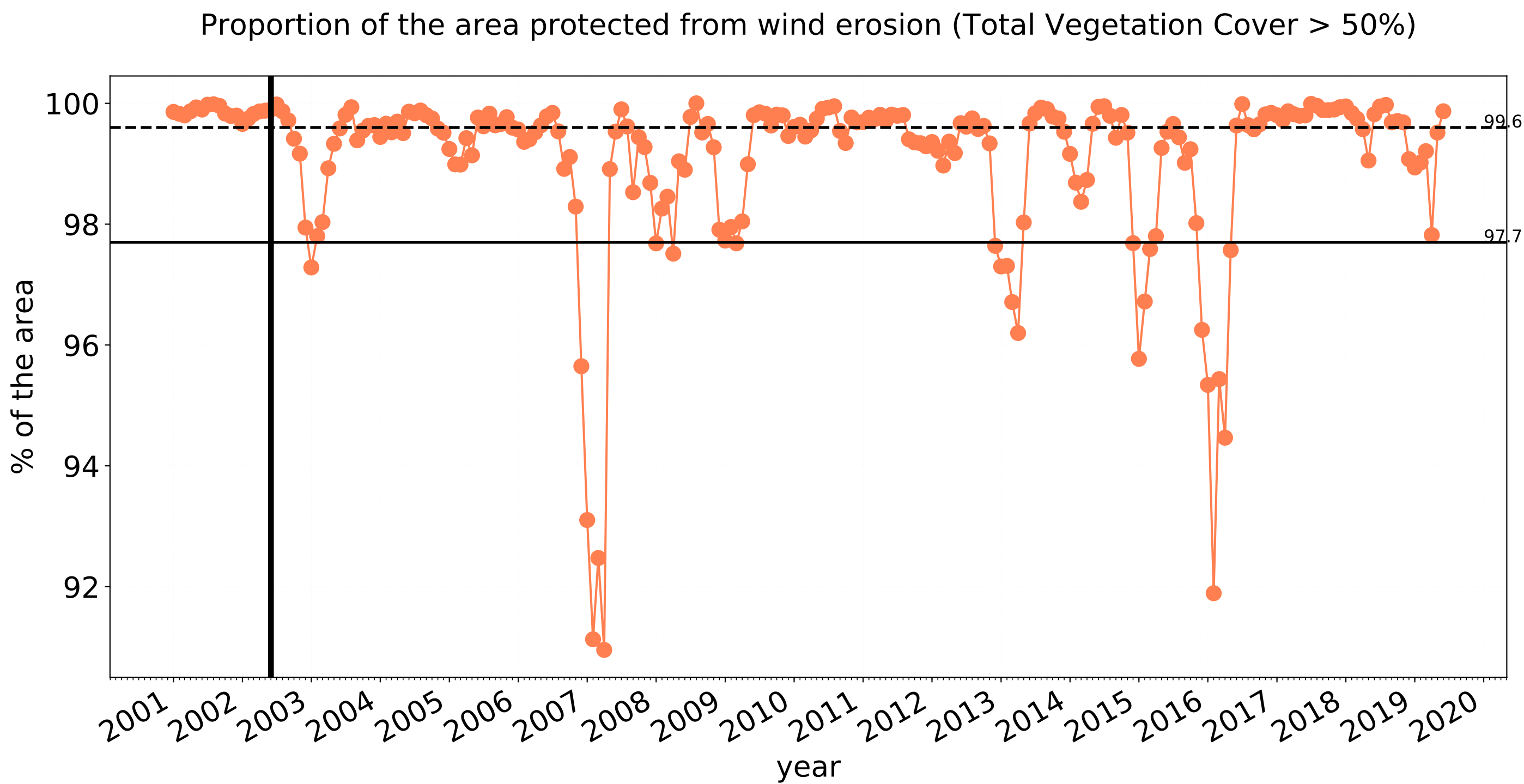


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Grazing non forest

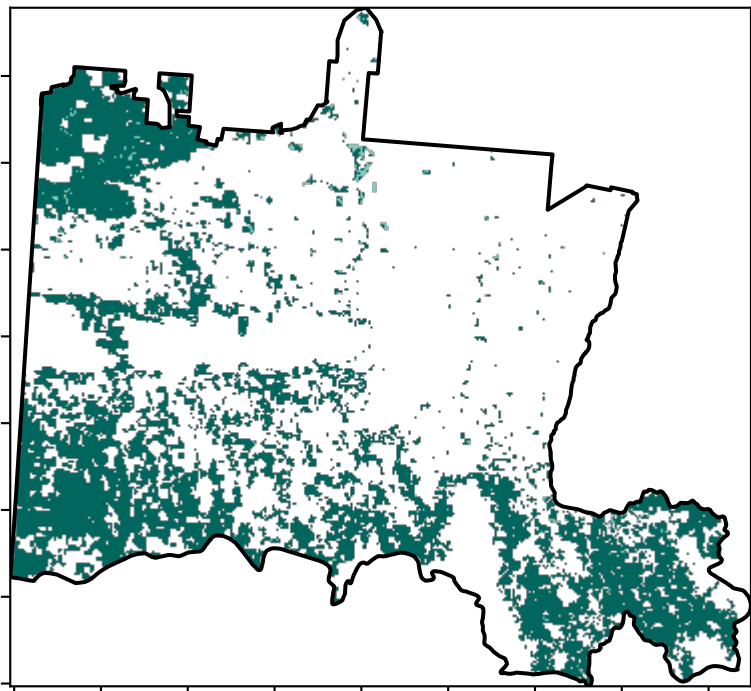
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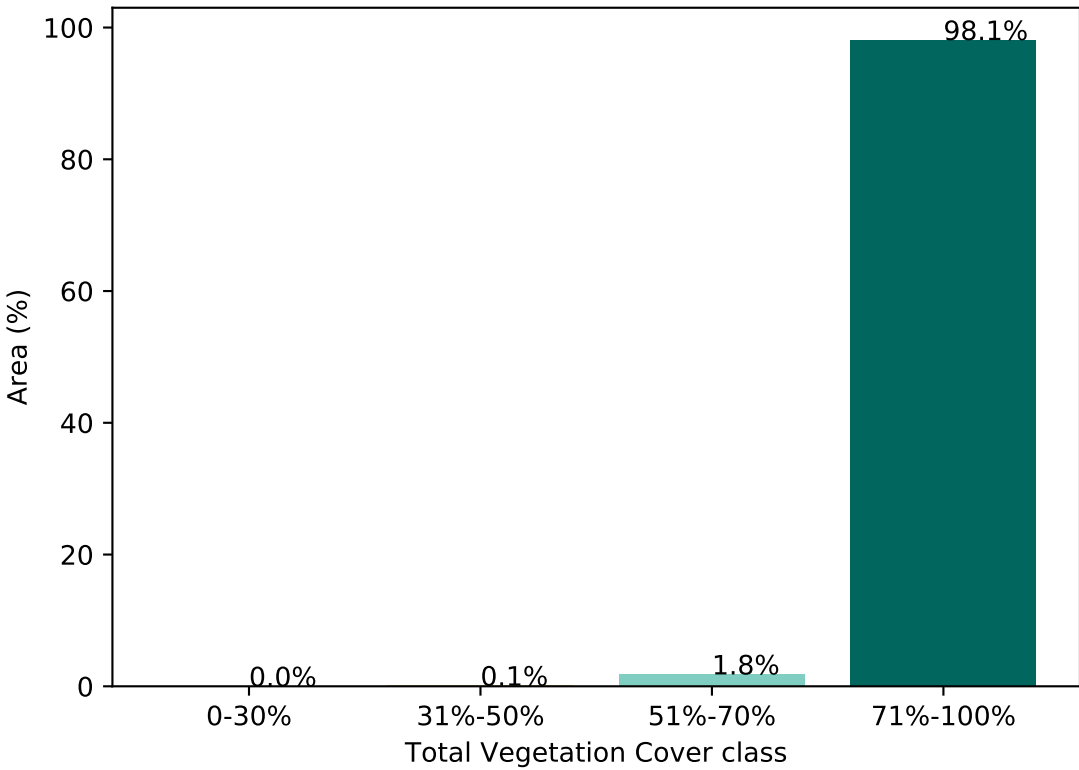


1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest

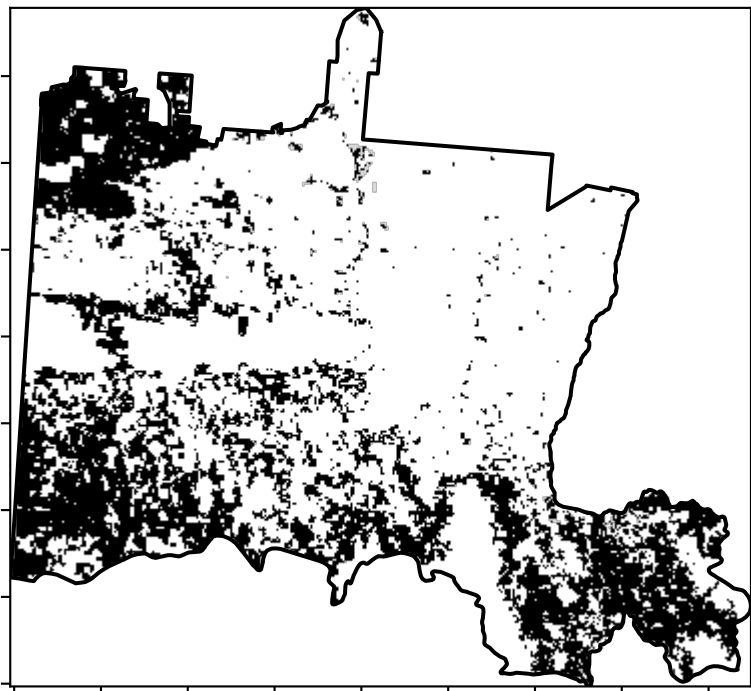
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

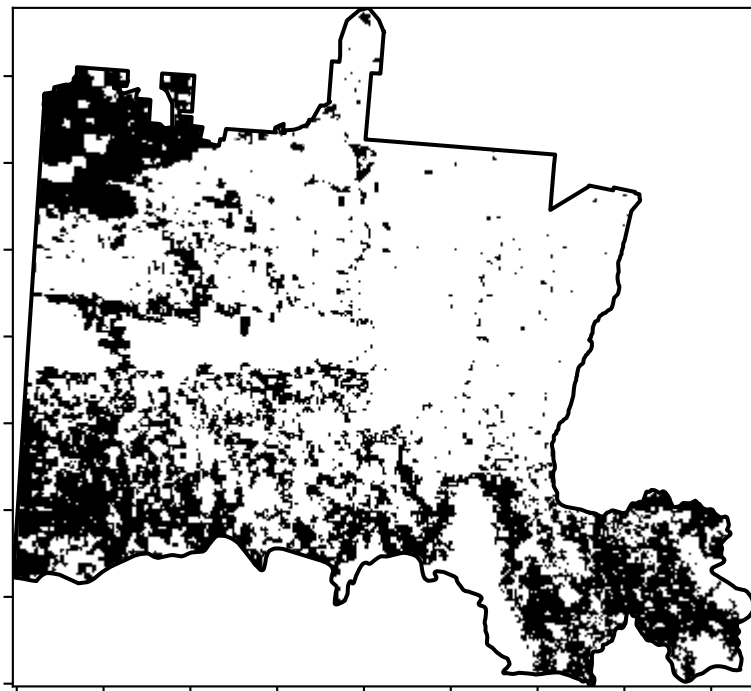


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Area not protected
1.9% of region
(13,744 ha)
Area protected
98.1% of region
(709,655 ha)

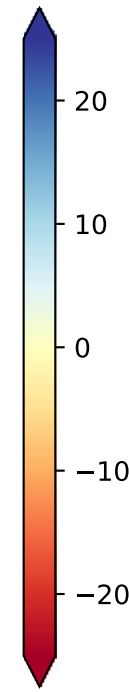
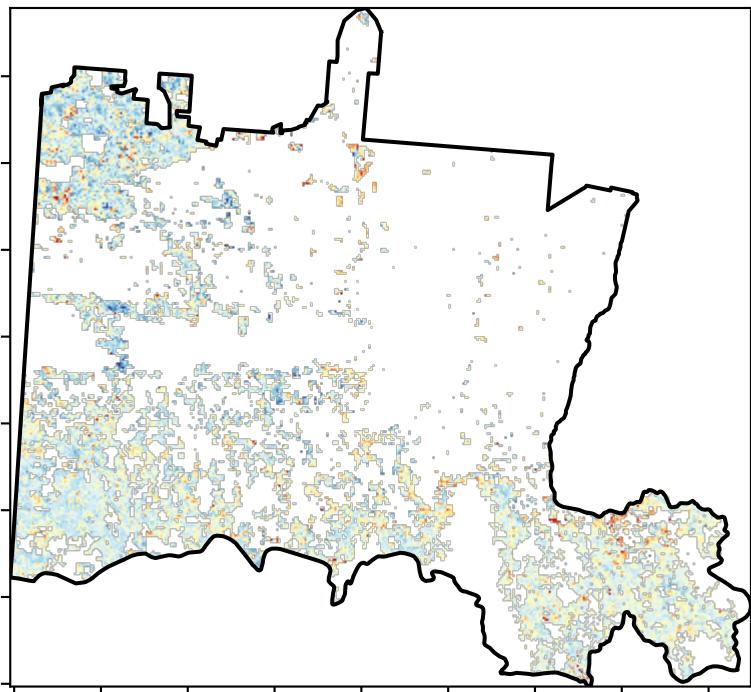
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Area not protected
0.0% of region
(0 ha)
Area protected
100.0% of region
(723,400 ha)

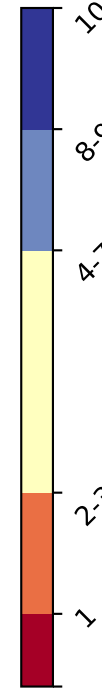
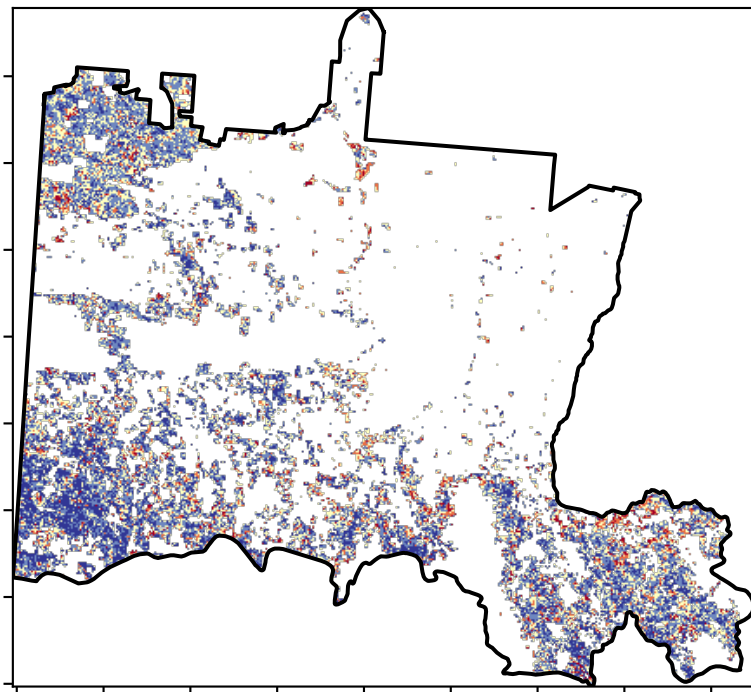
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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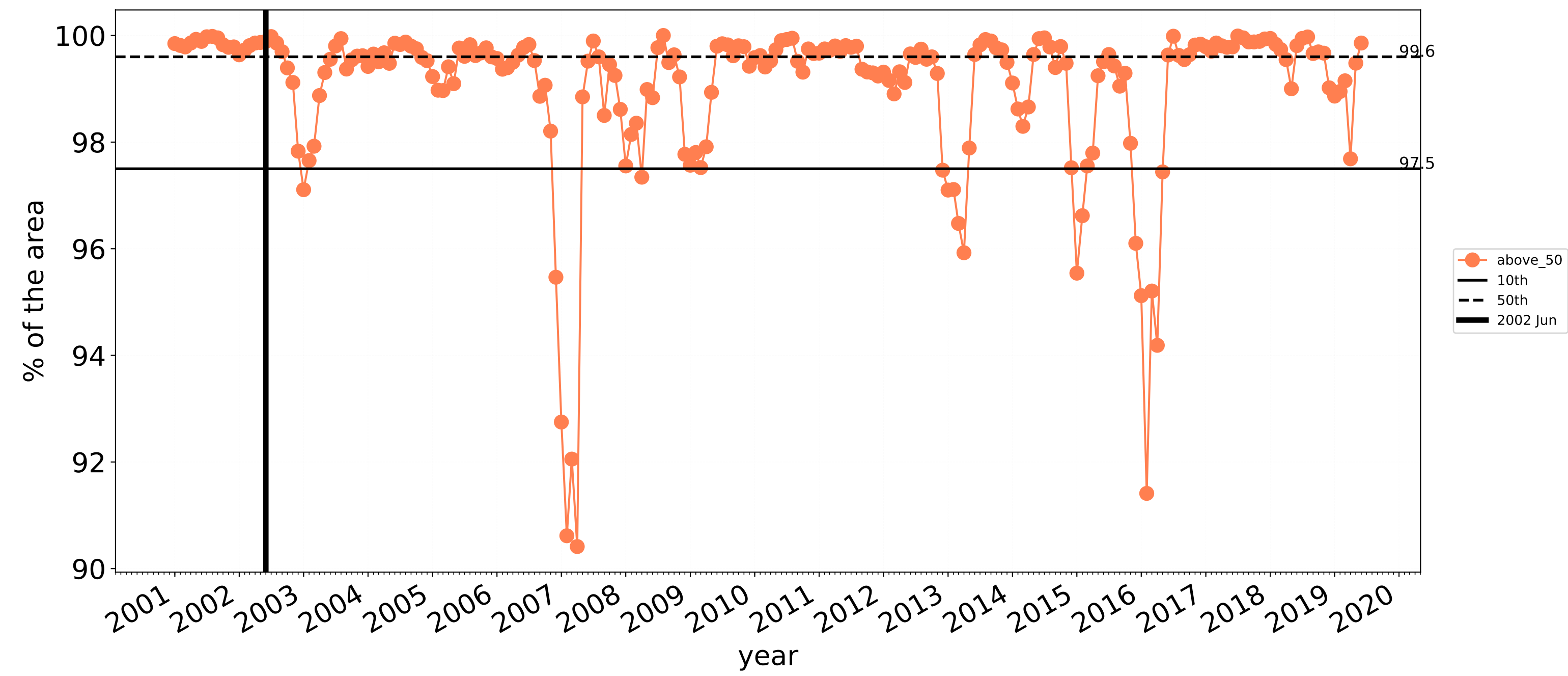
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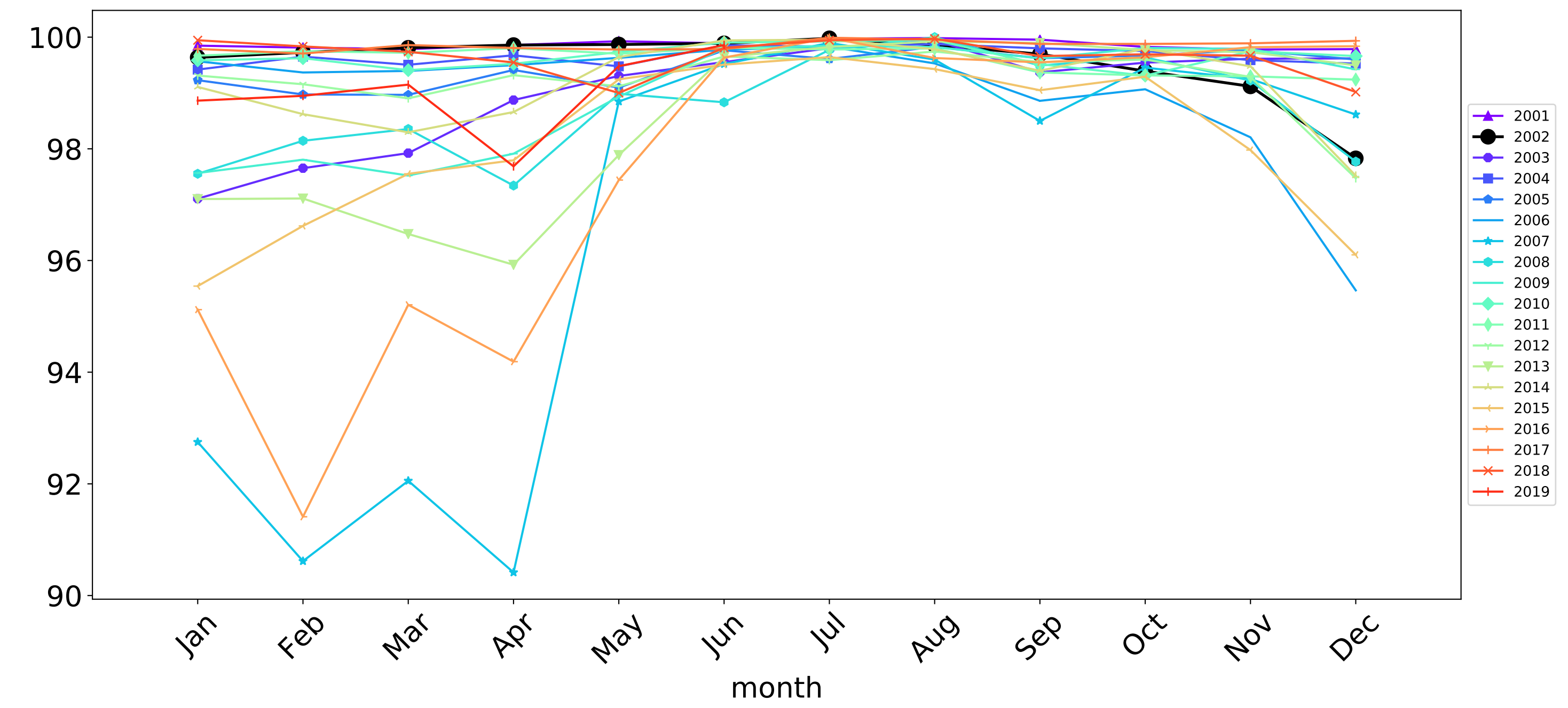
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Grazing non forest timeseries

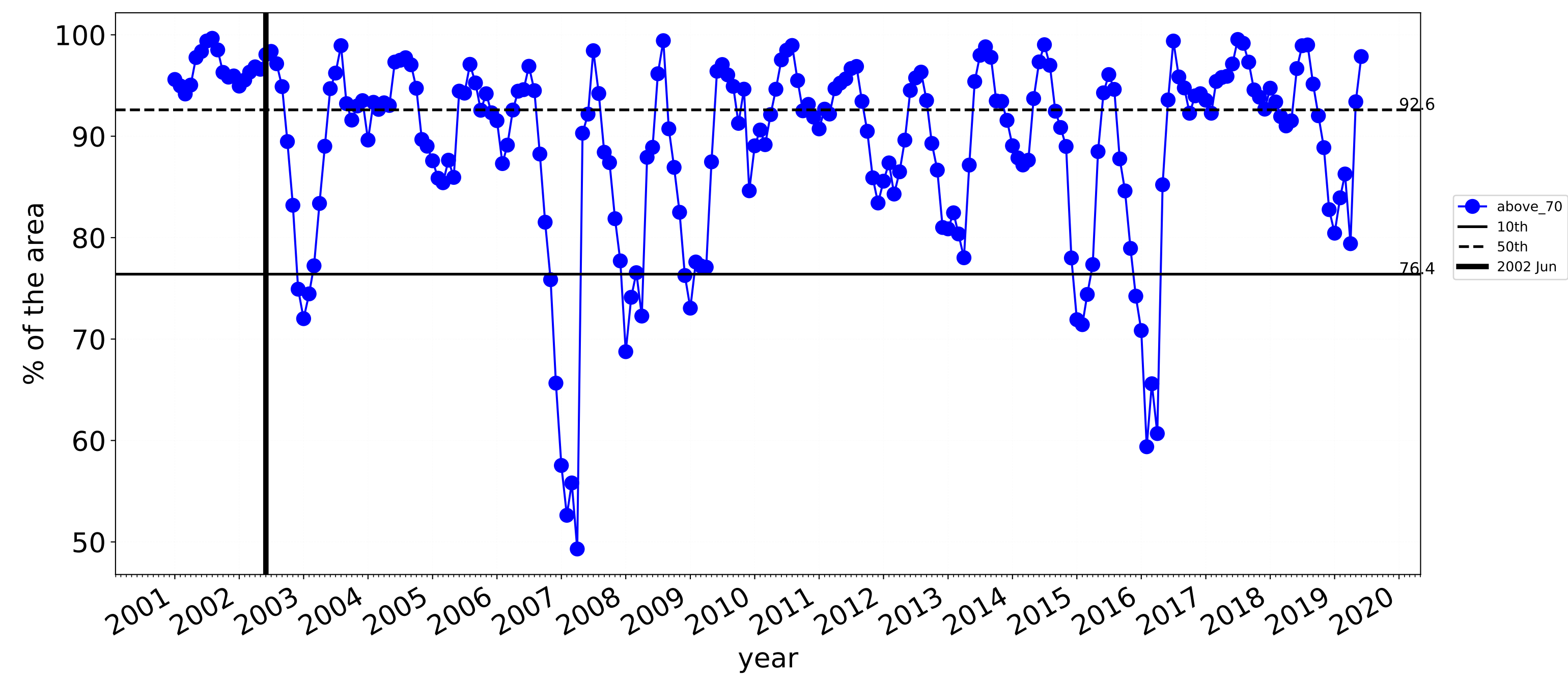
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



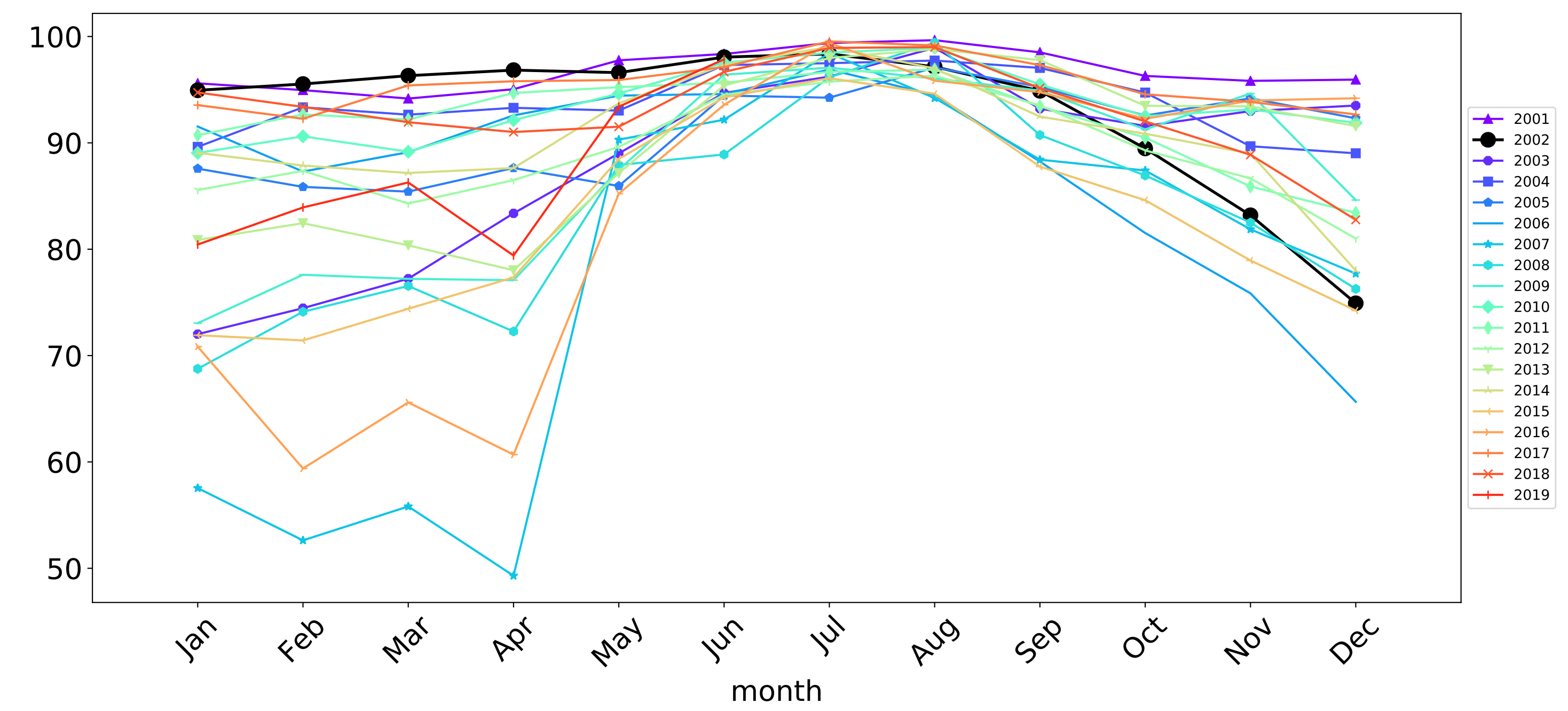
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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



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

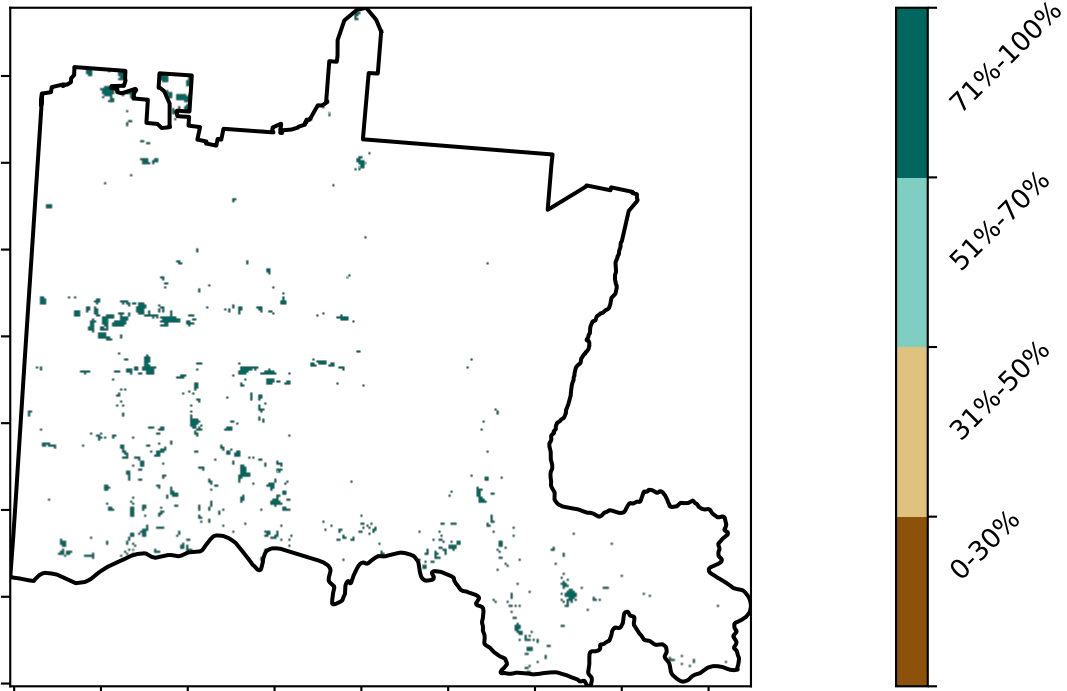


Grazing Woodland forest

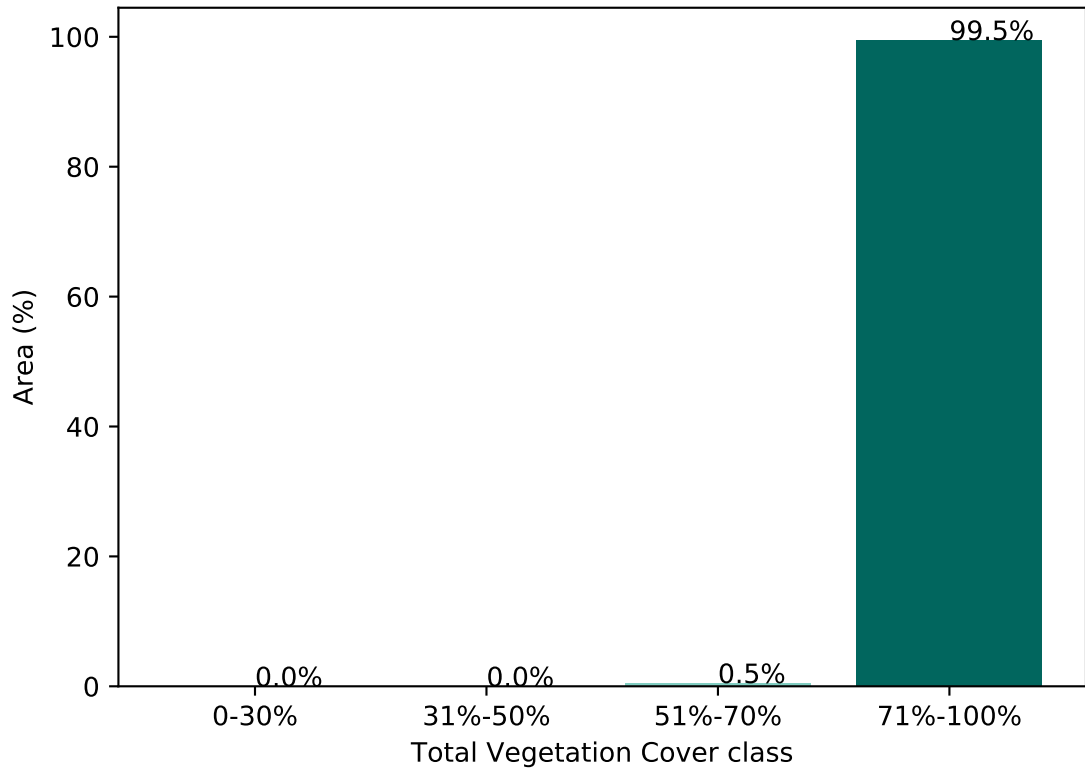
Land use and forest cover



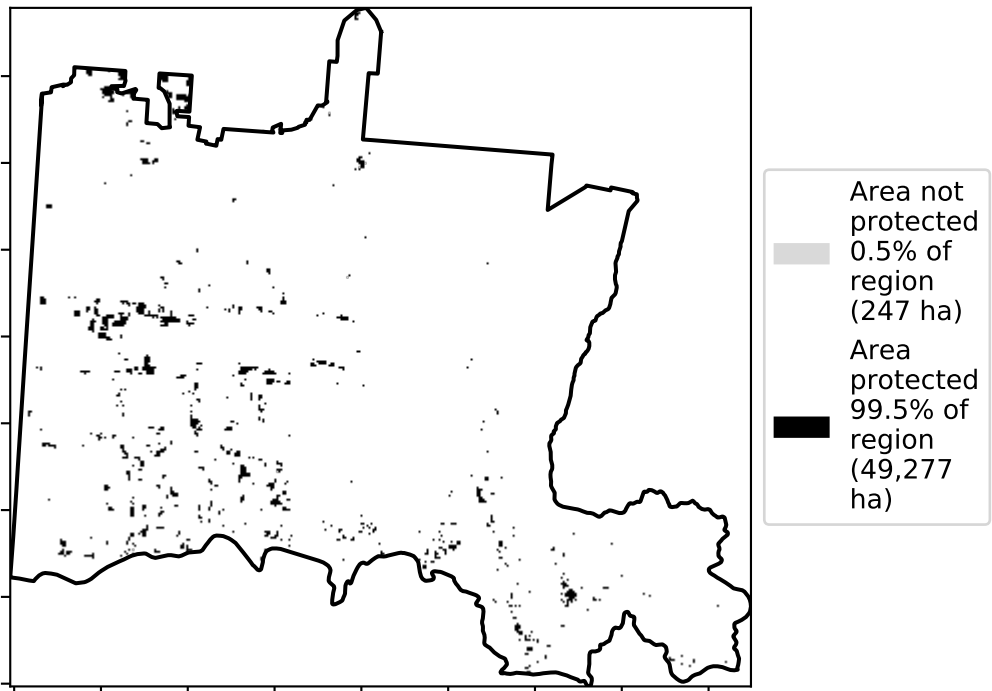
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



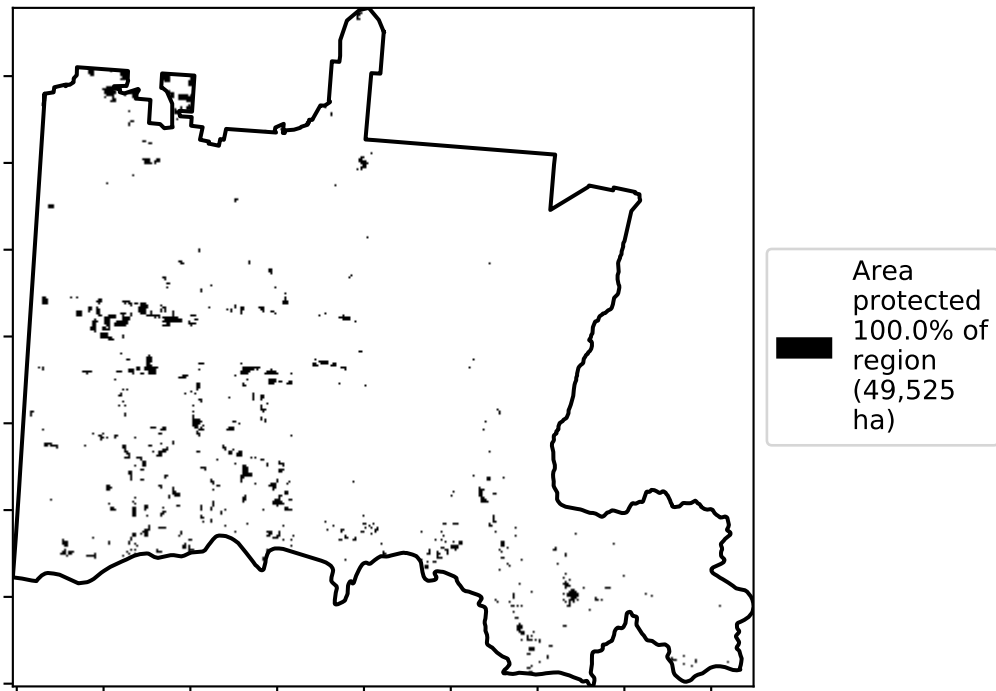
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



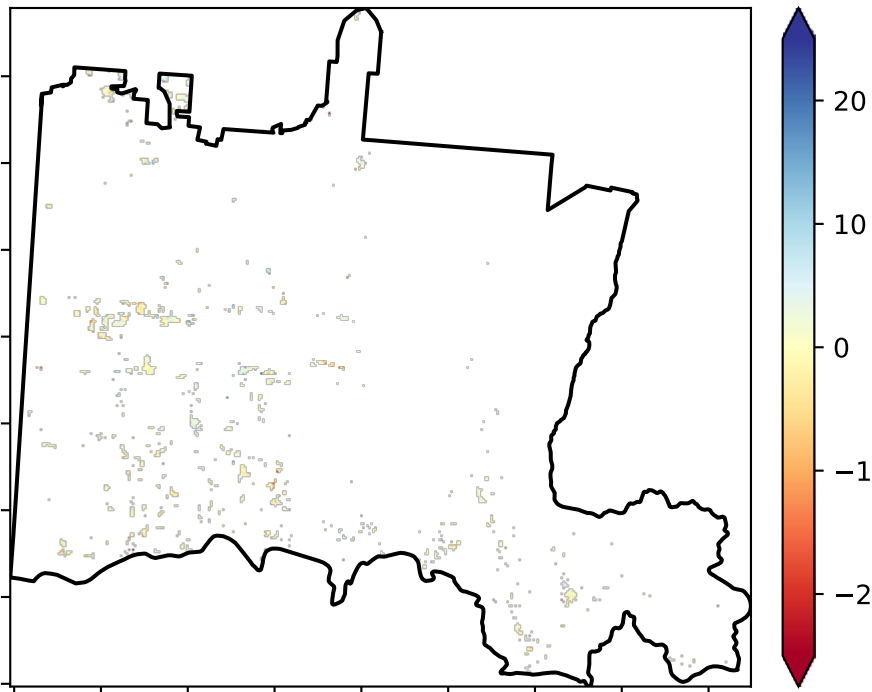
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



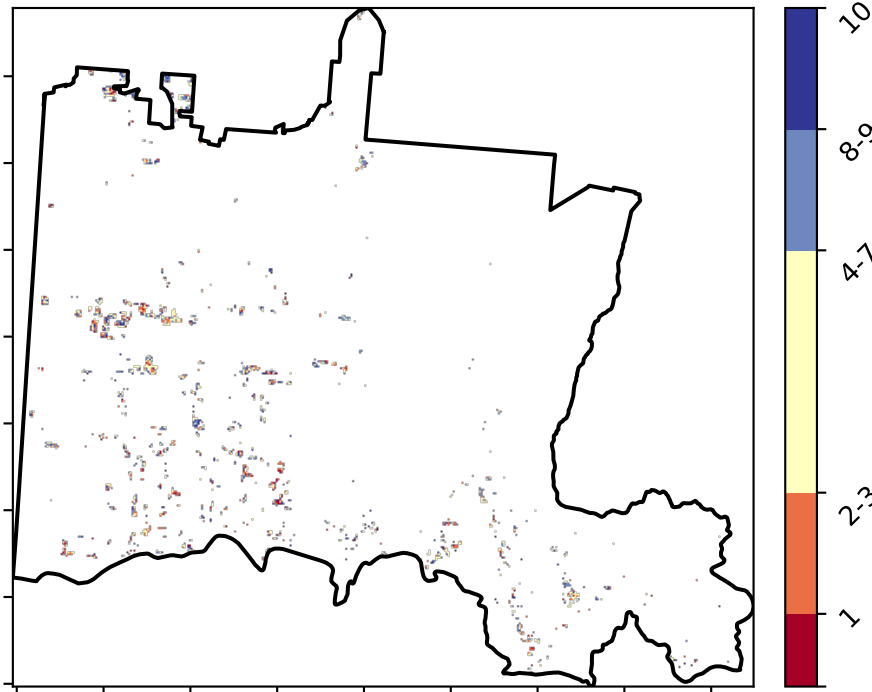
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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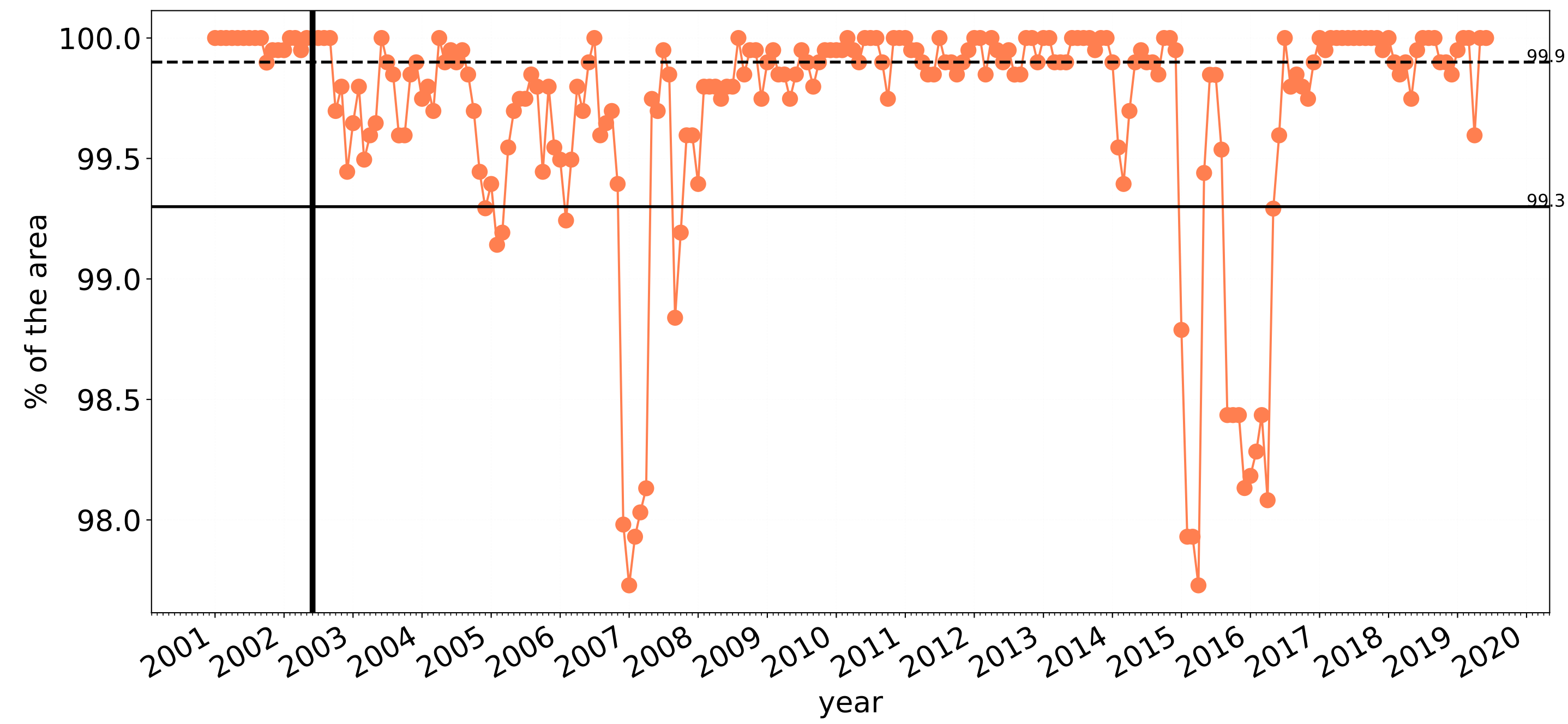
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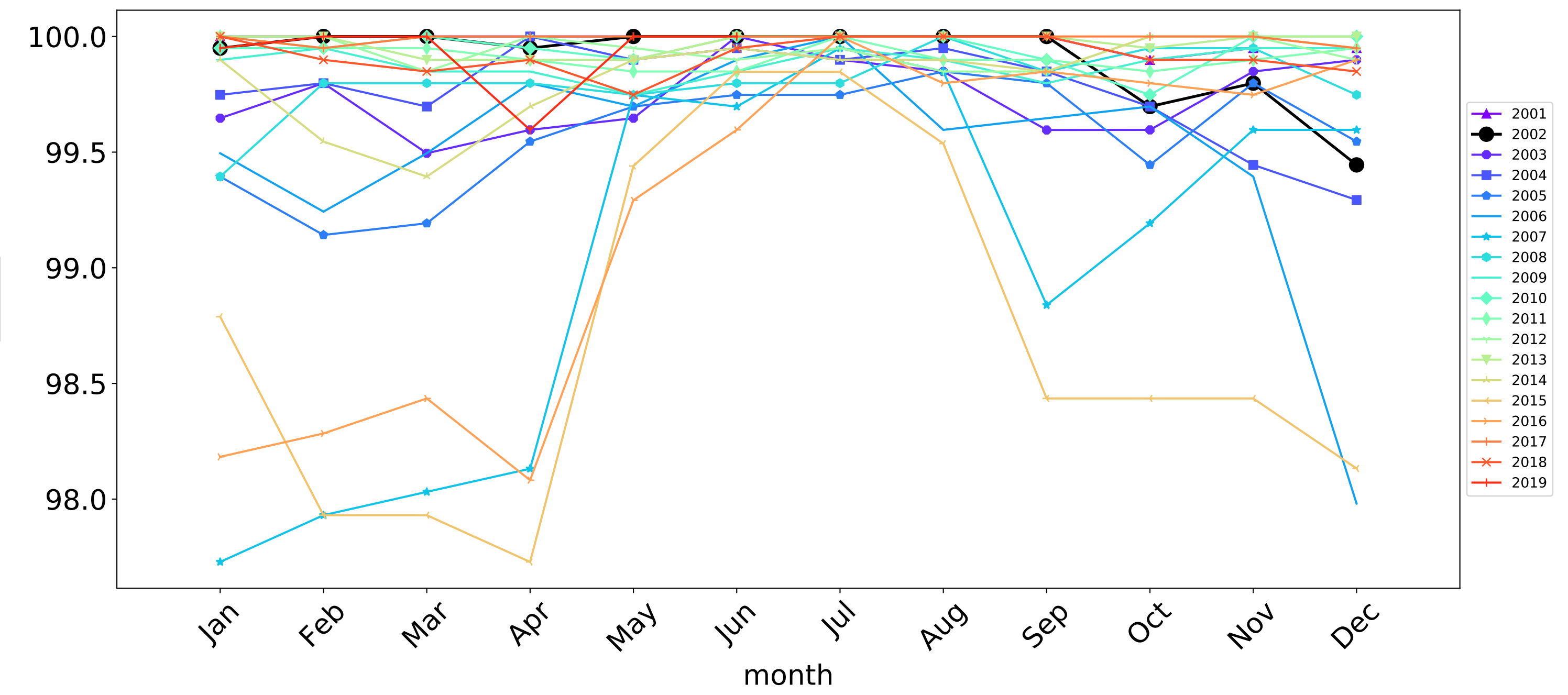
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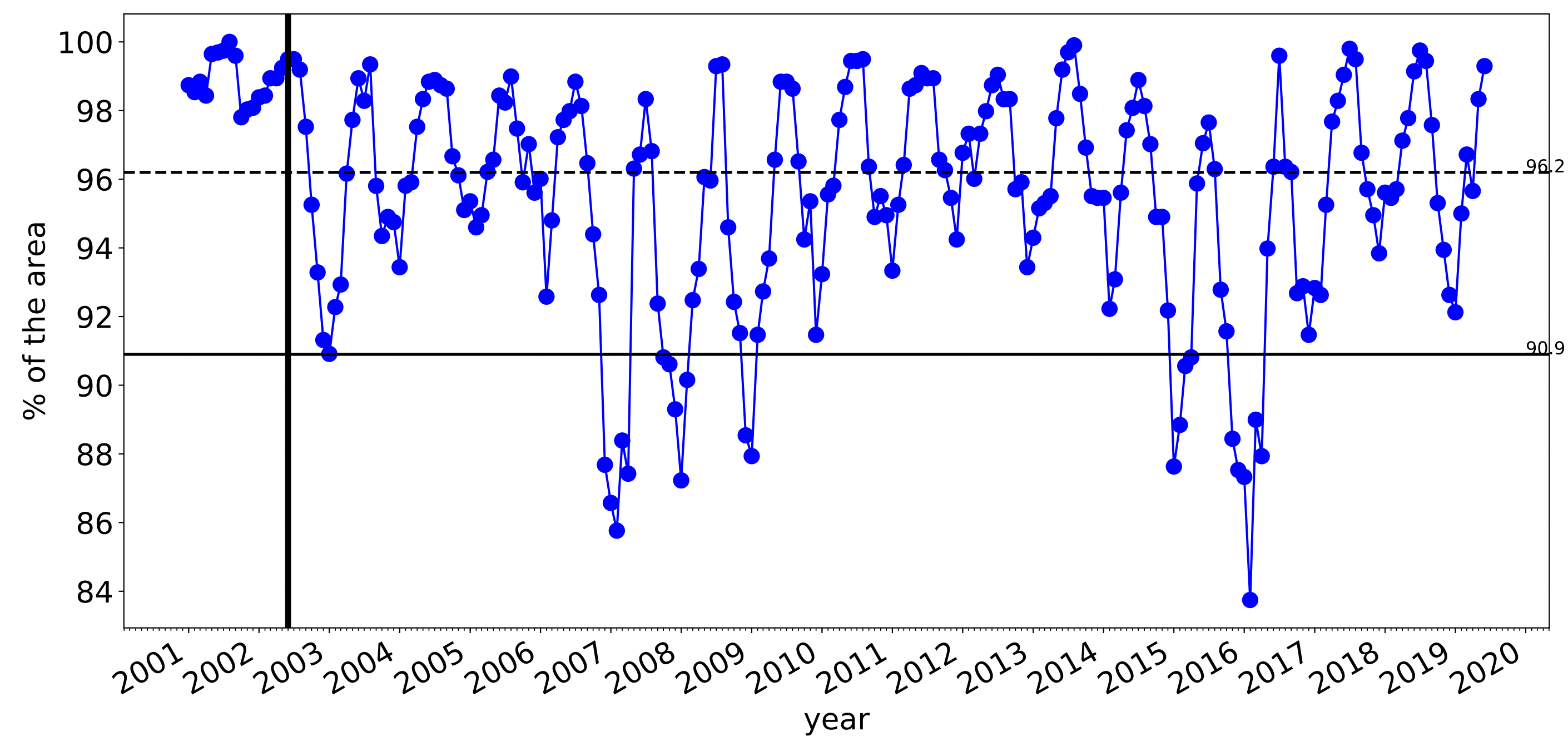
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



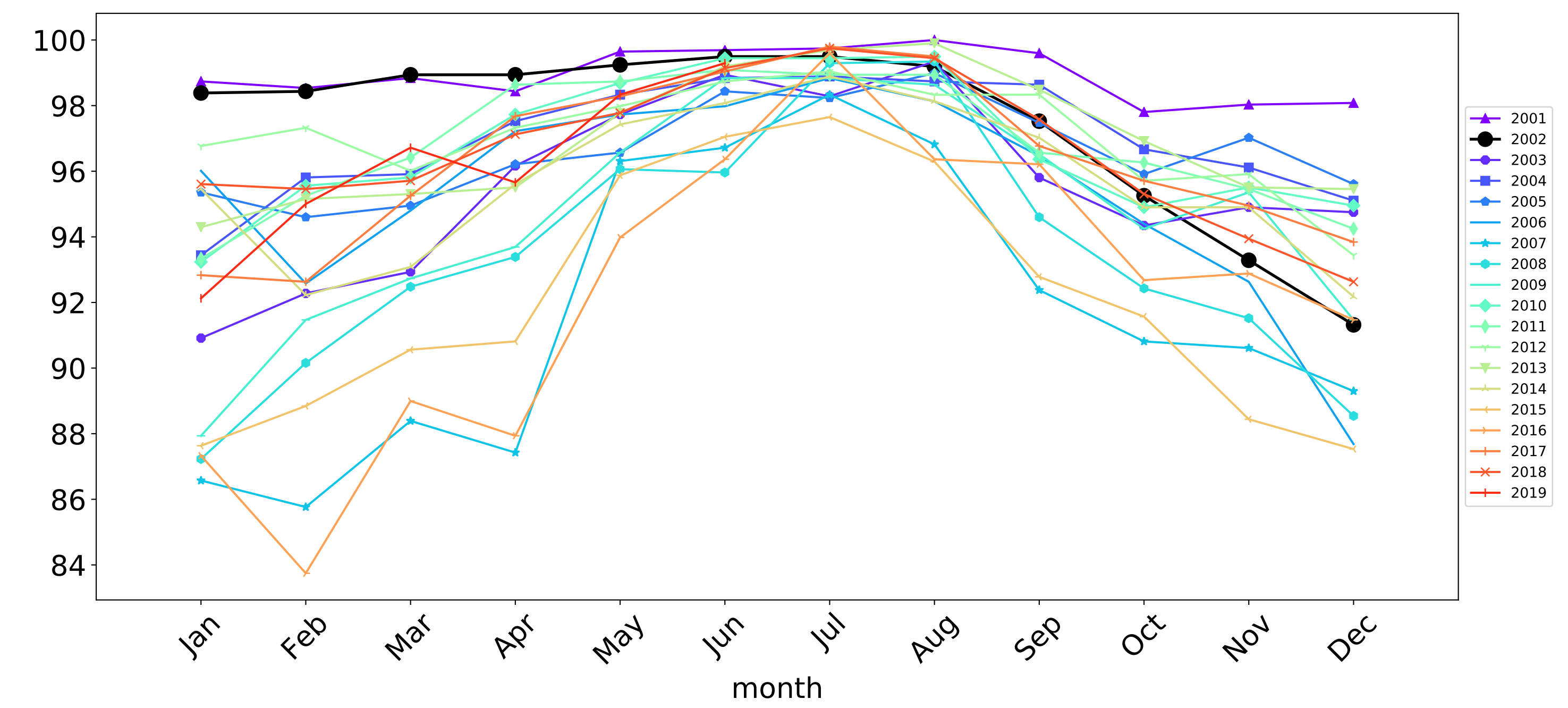
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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



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



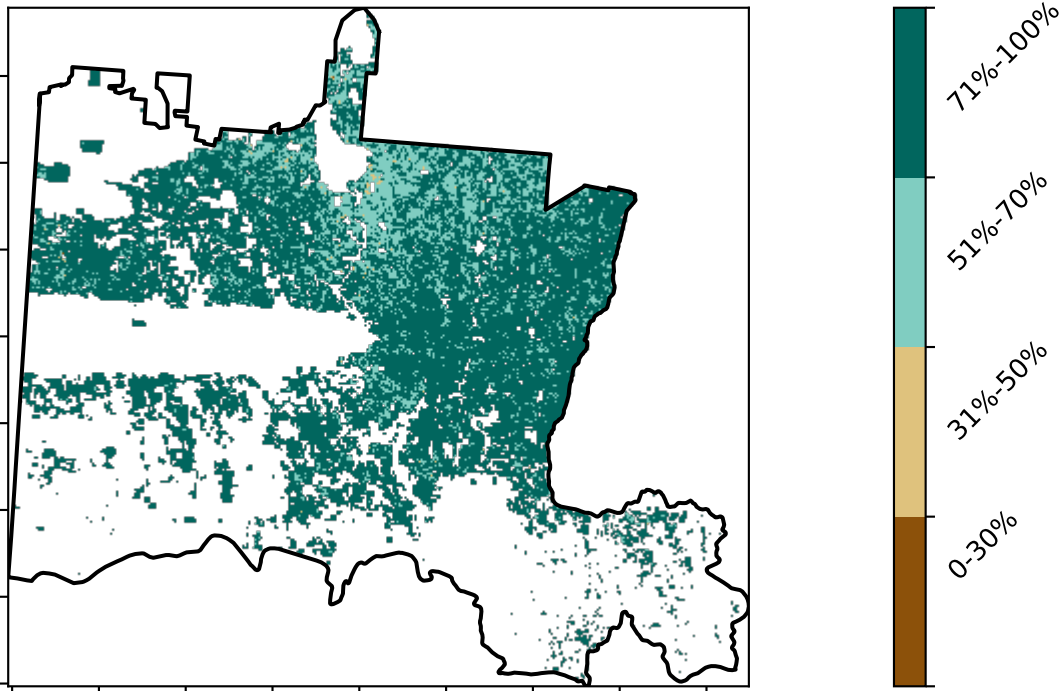
Cropping

Land use and forest cover

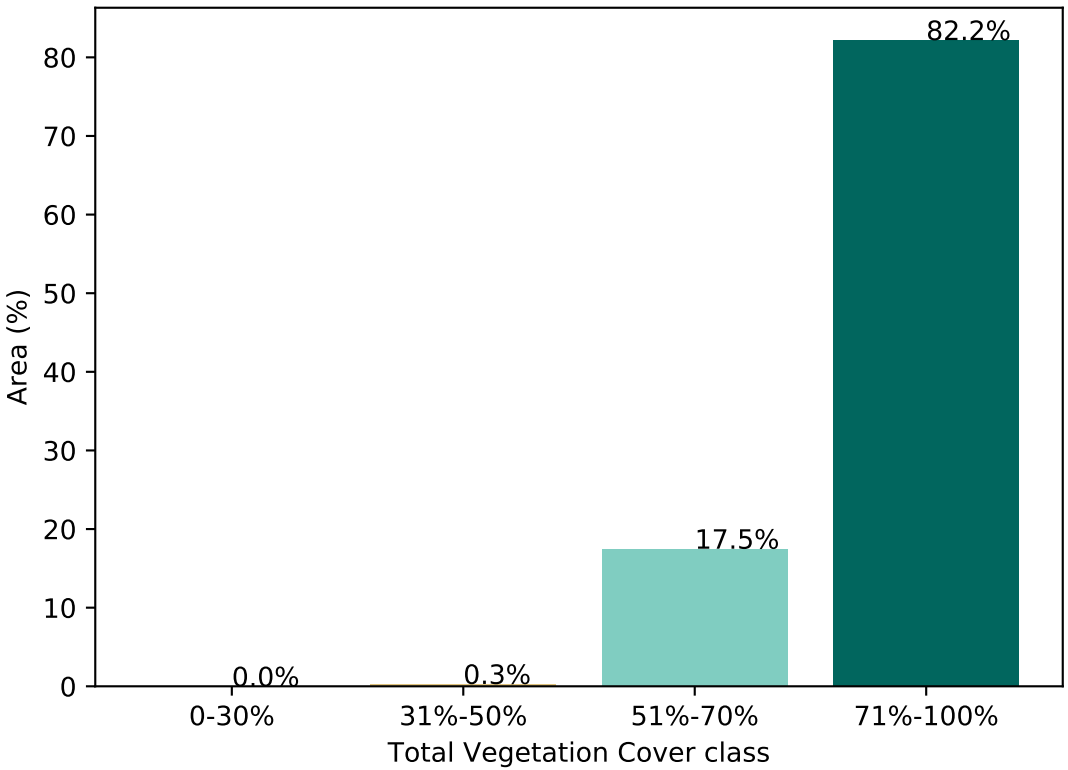
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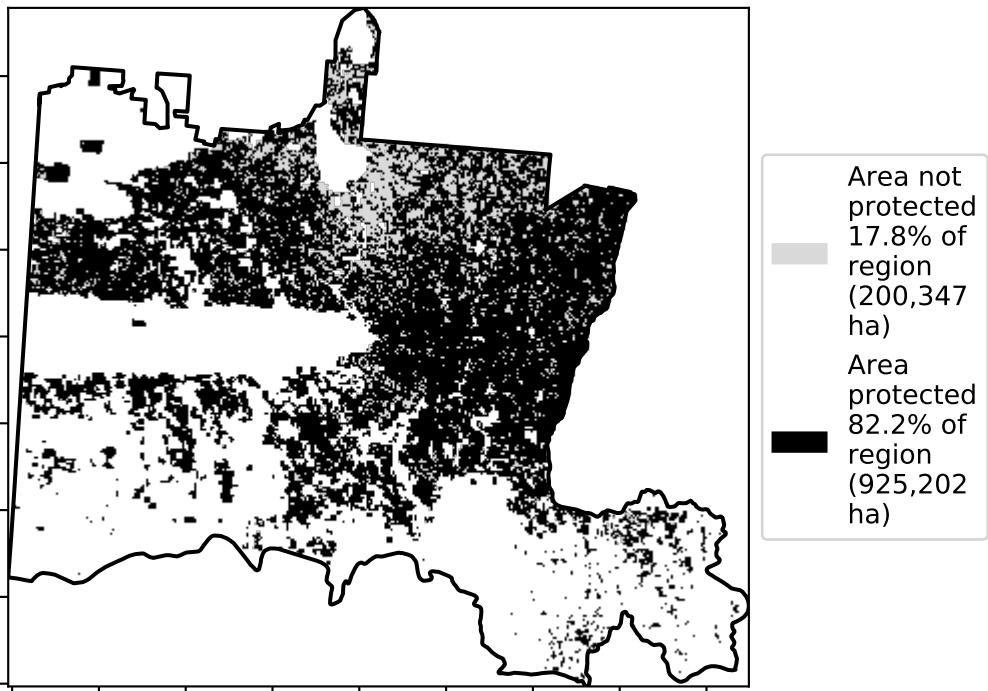
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



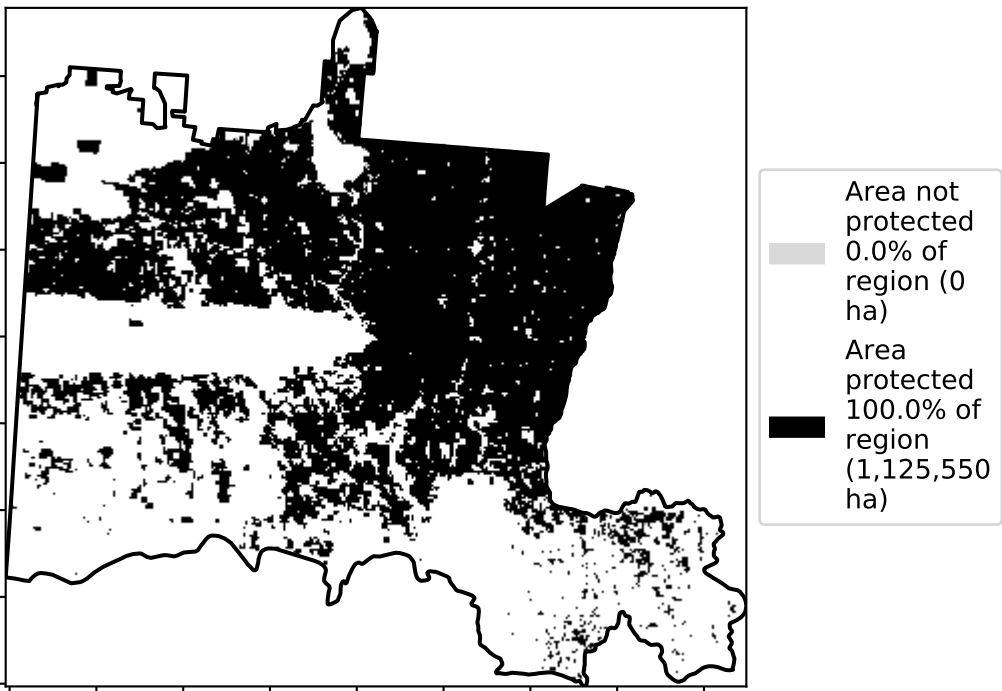
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

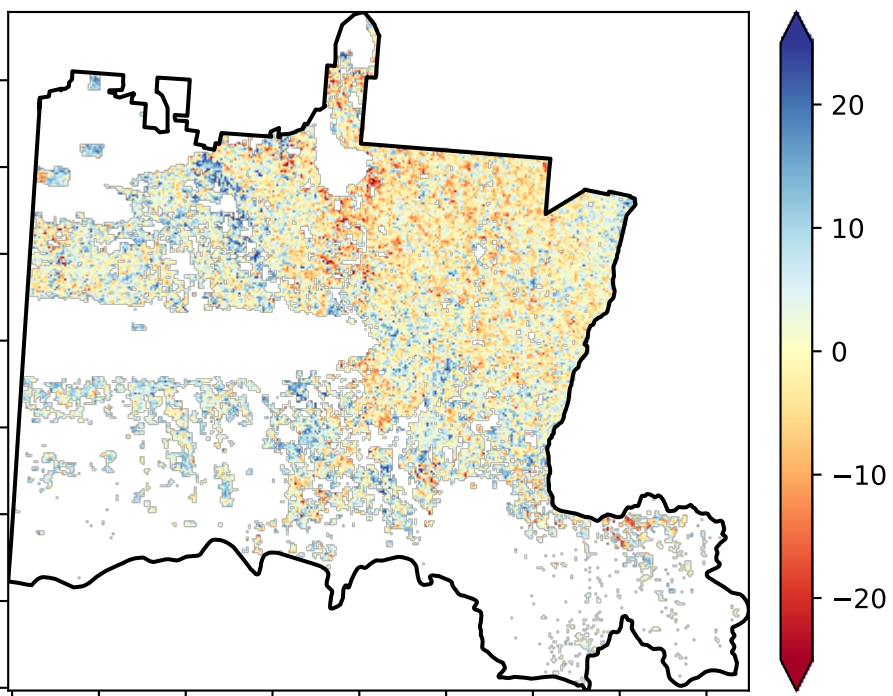


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



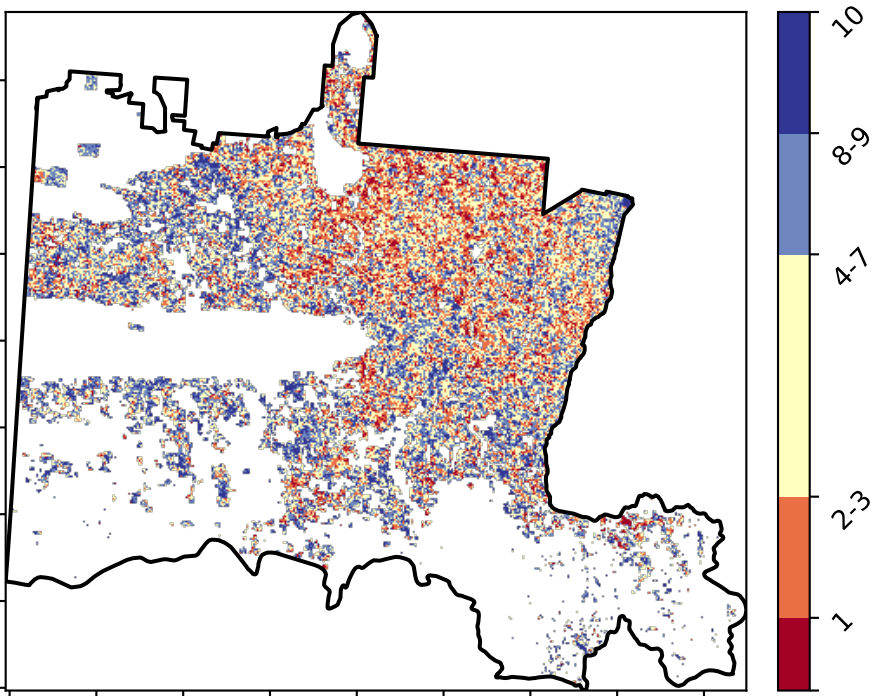
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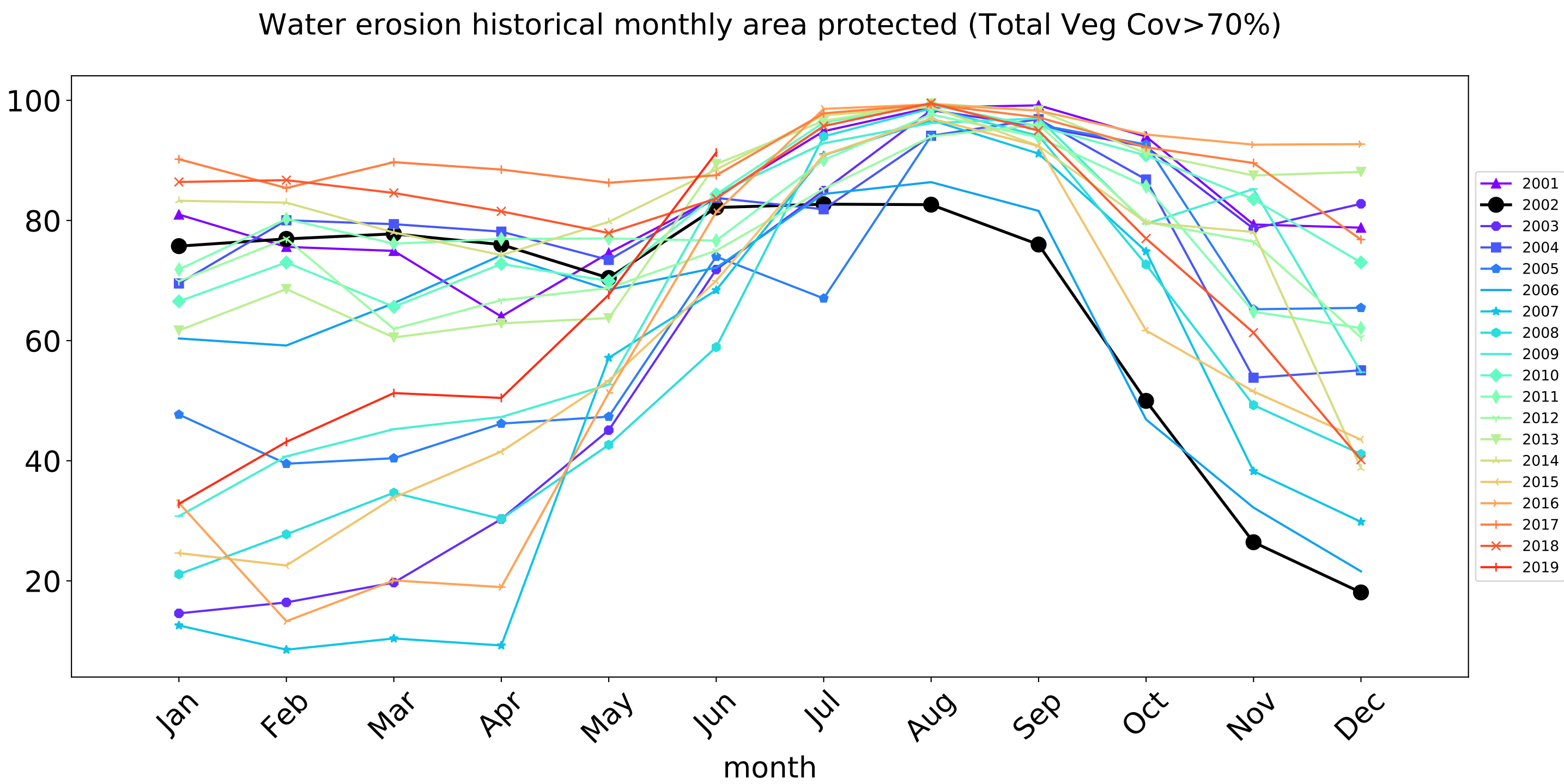
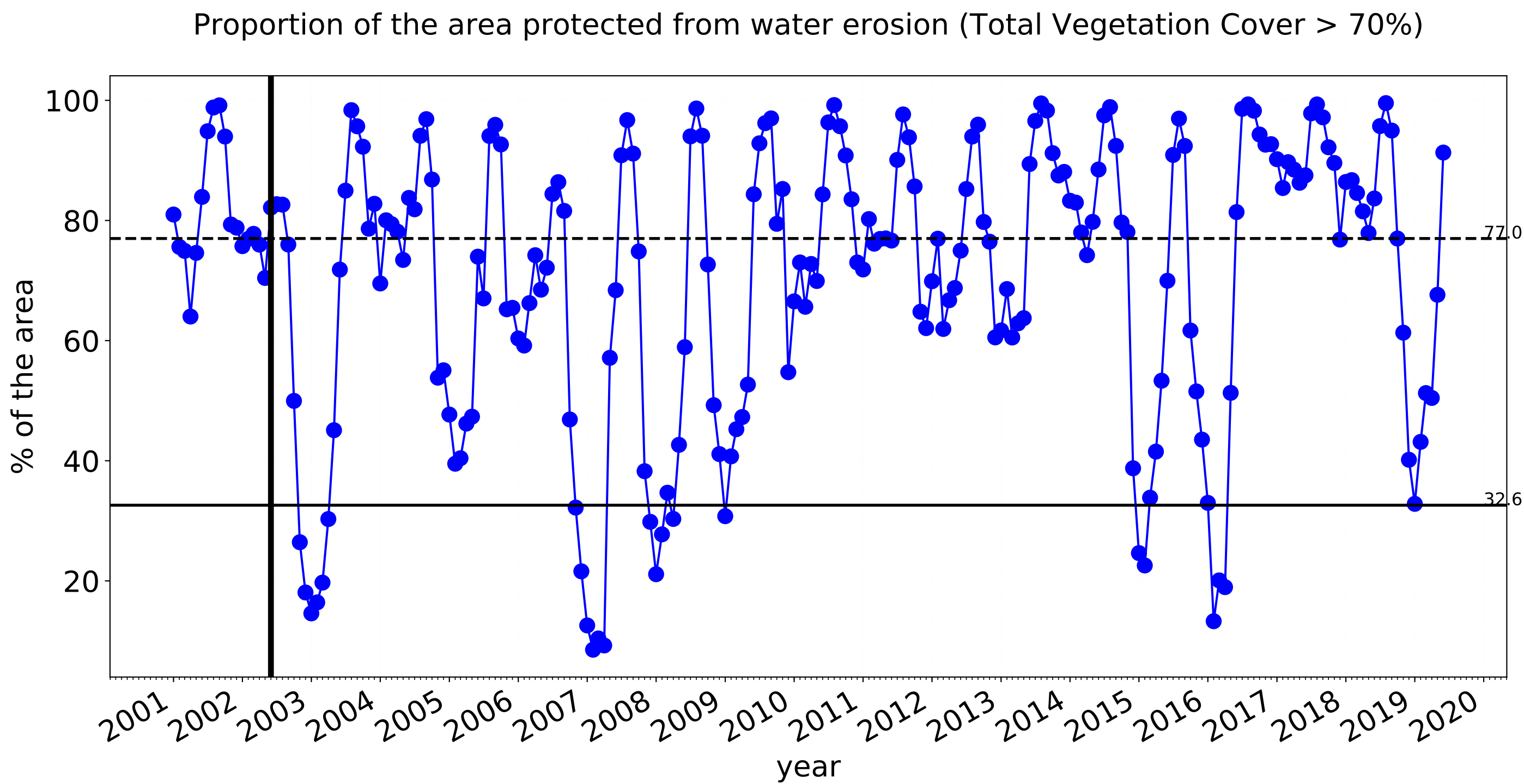
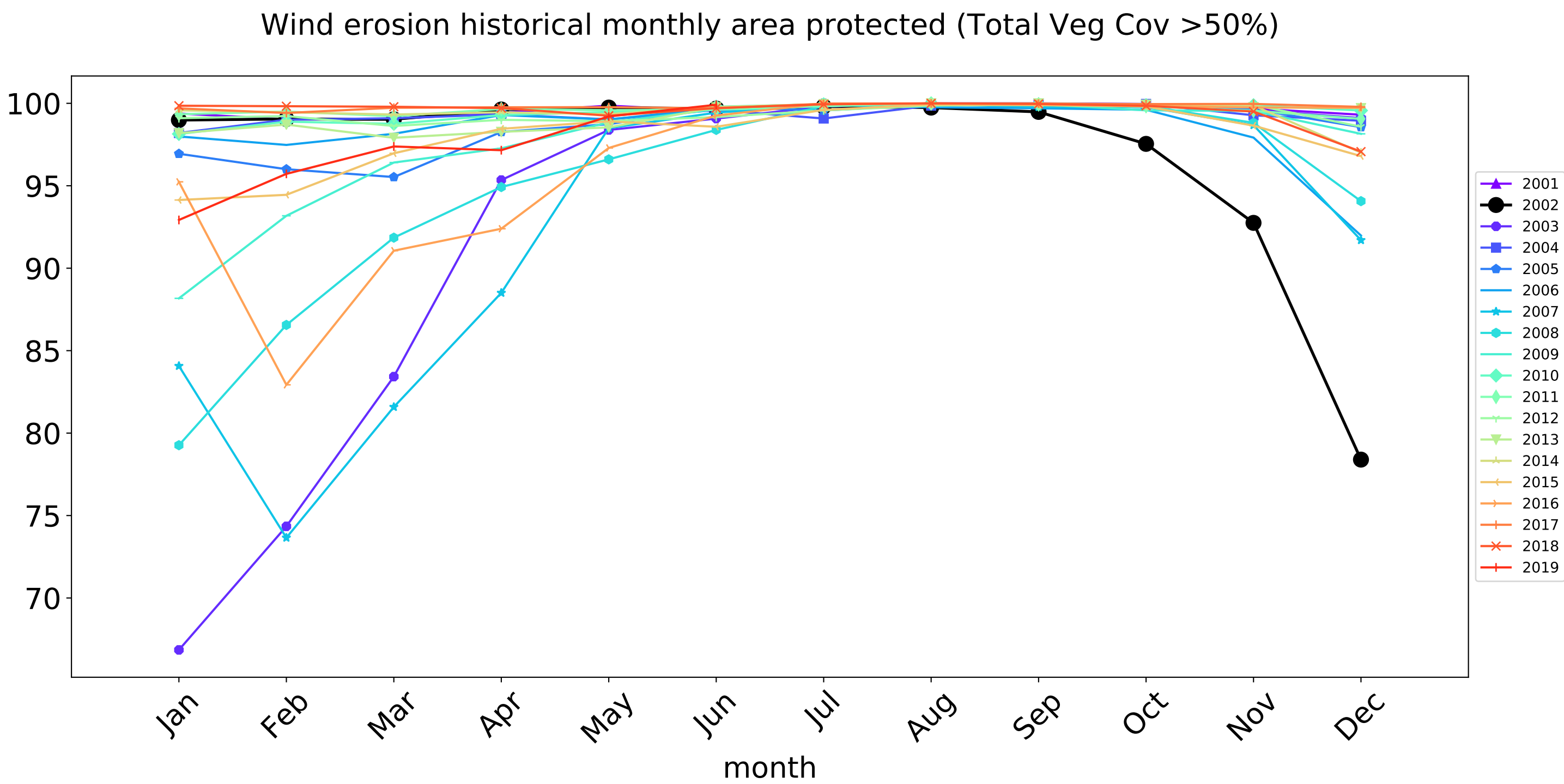
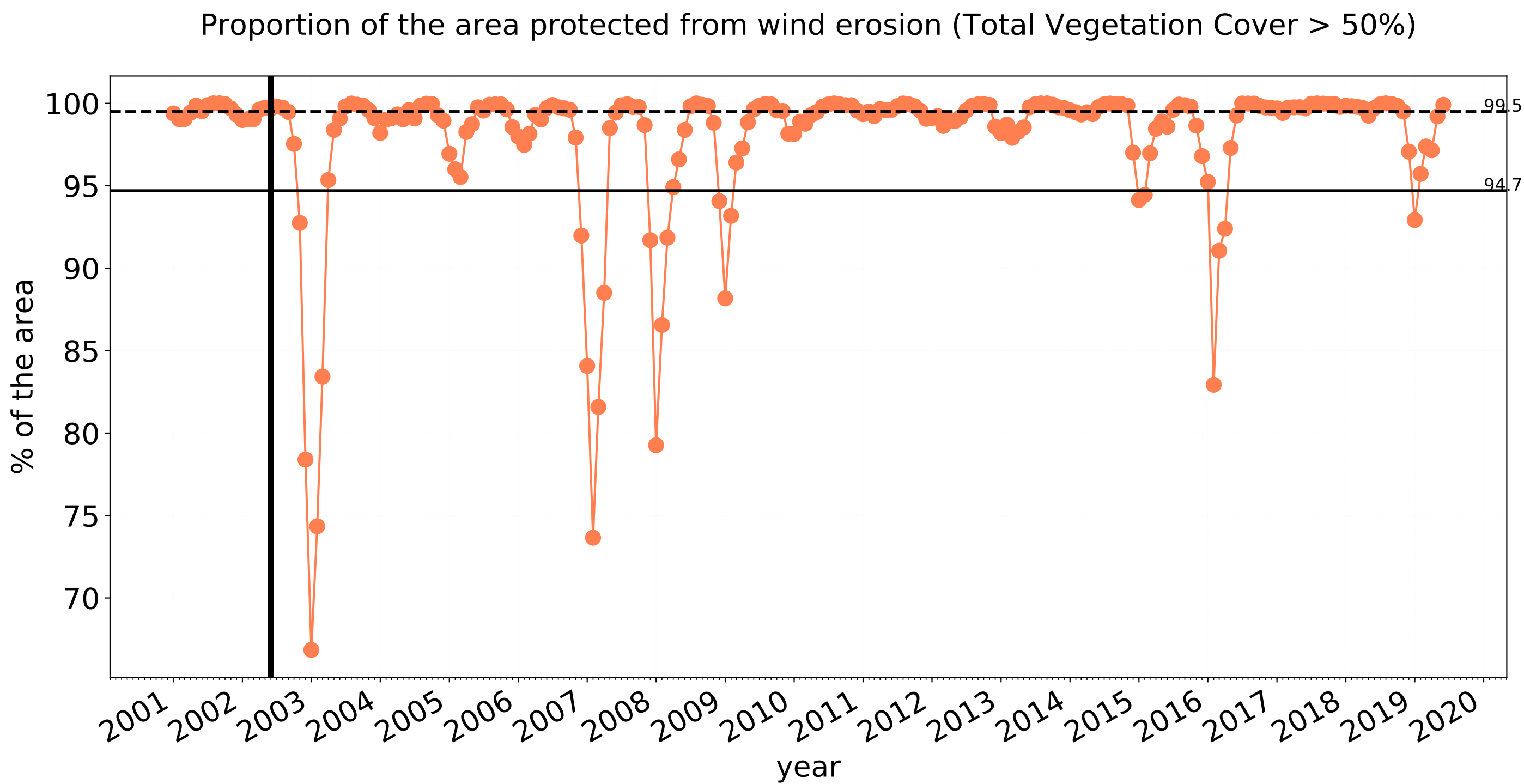


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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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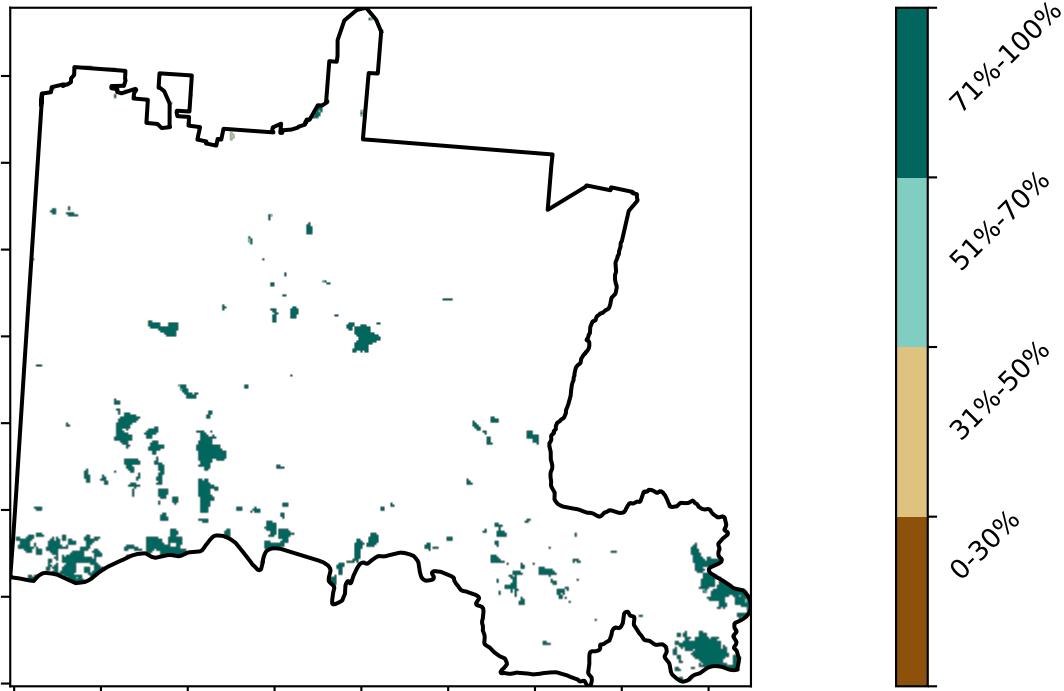
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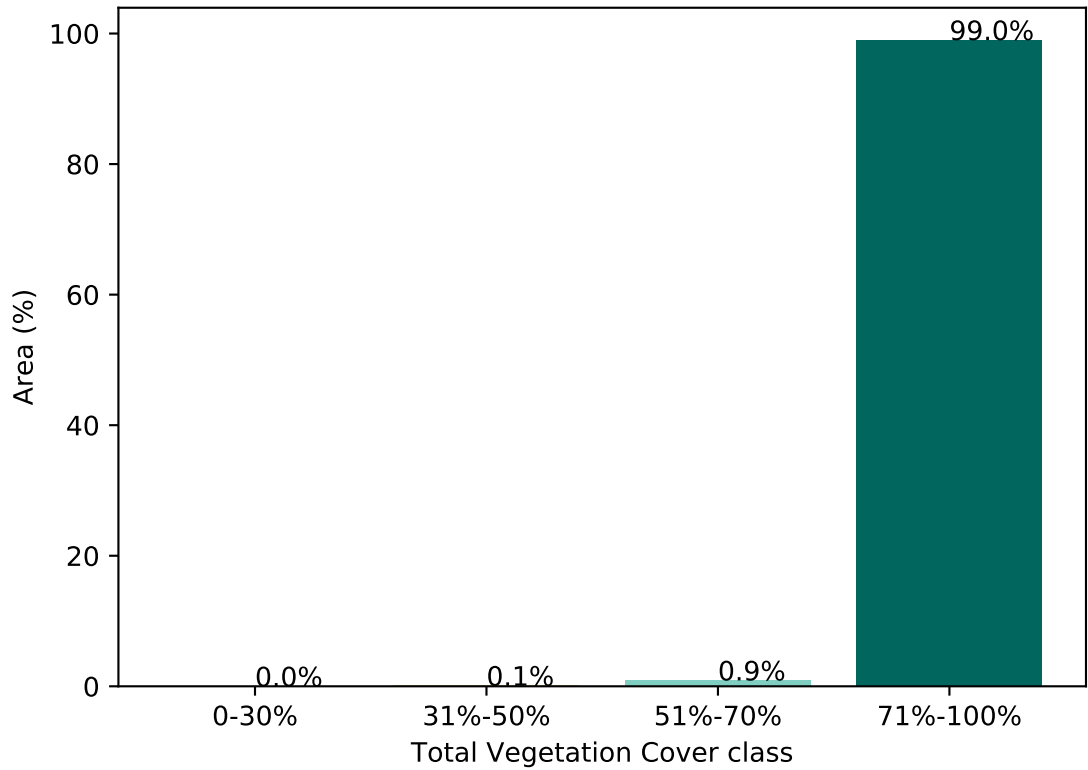
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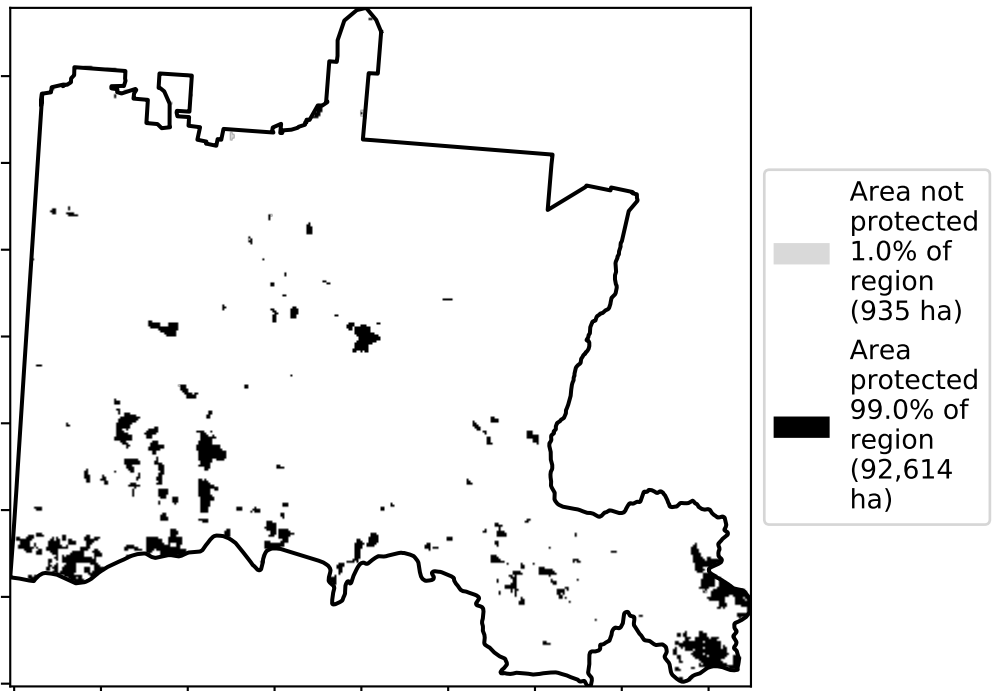
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



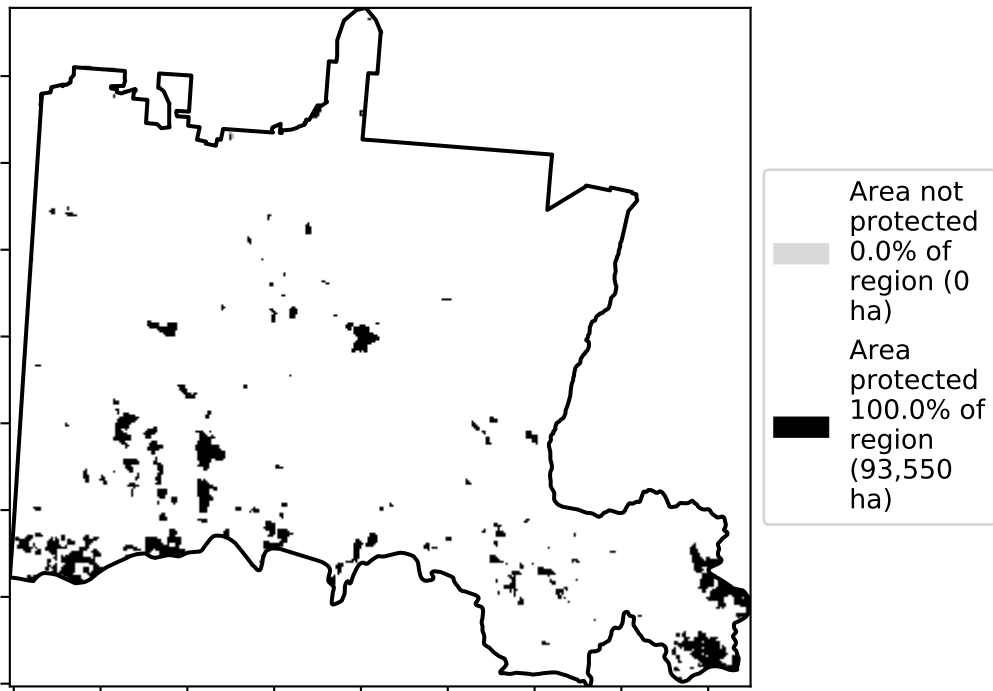
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

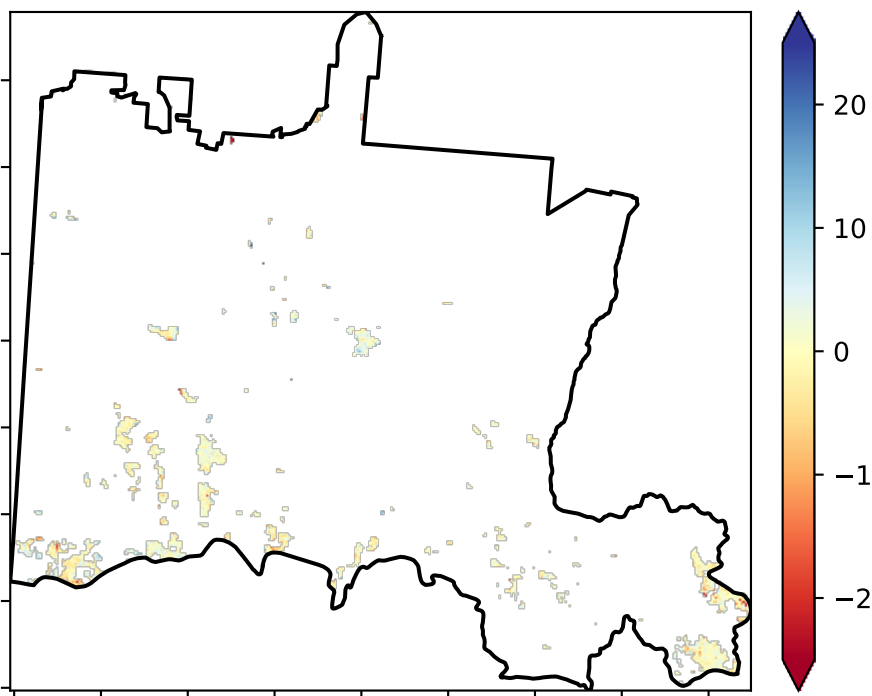


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



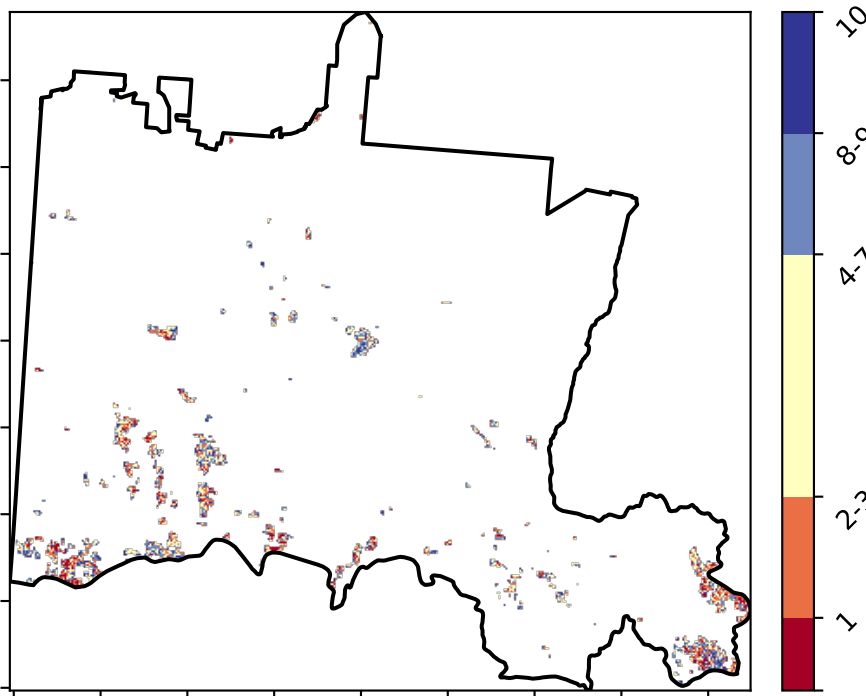
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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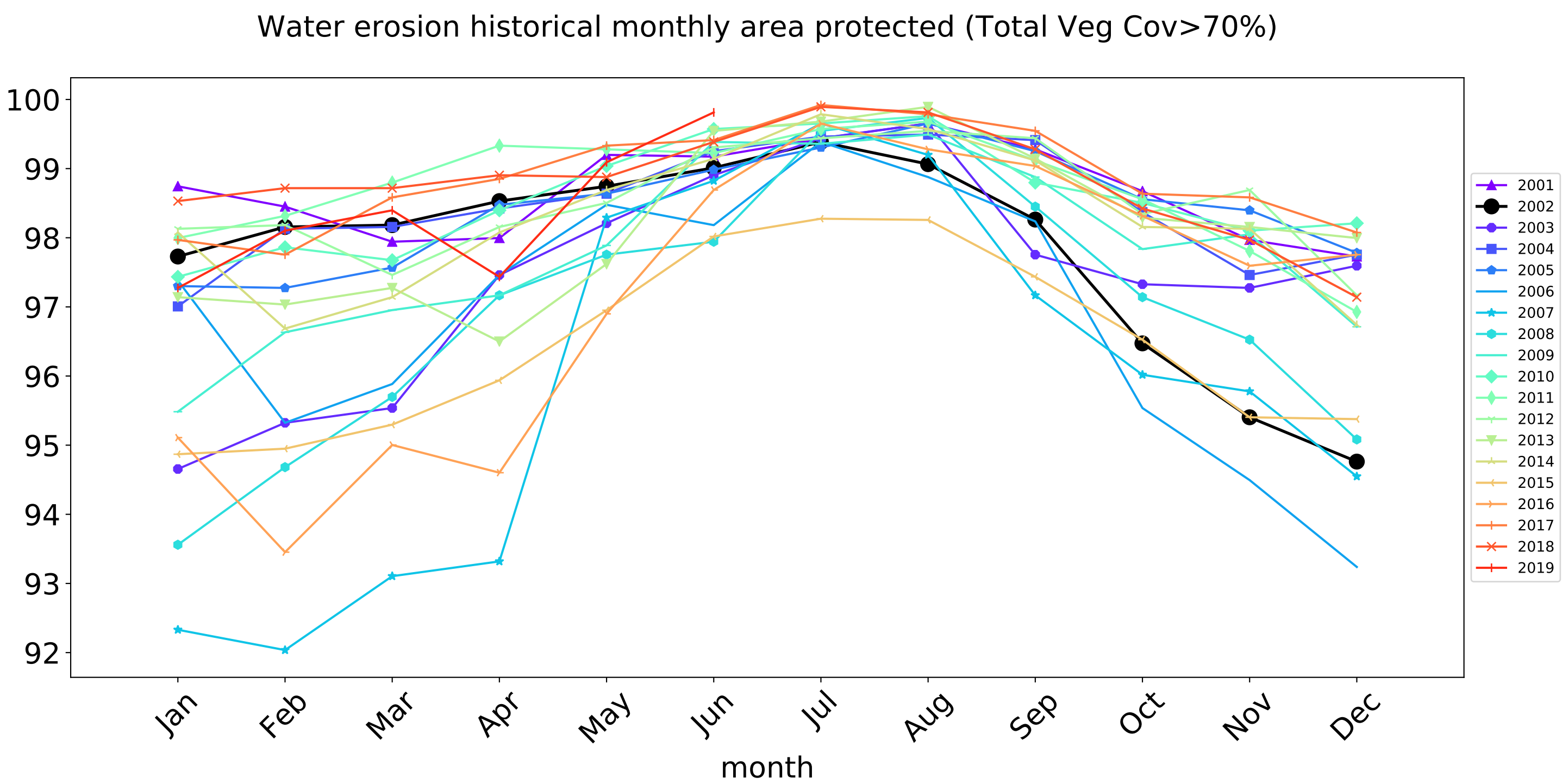
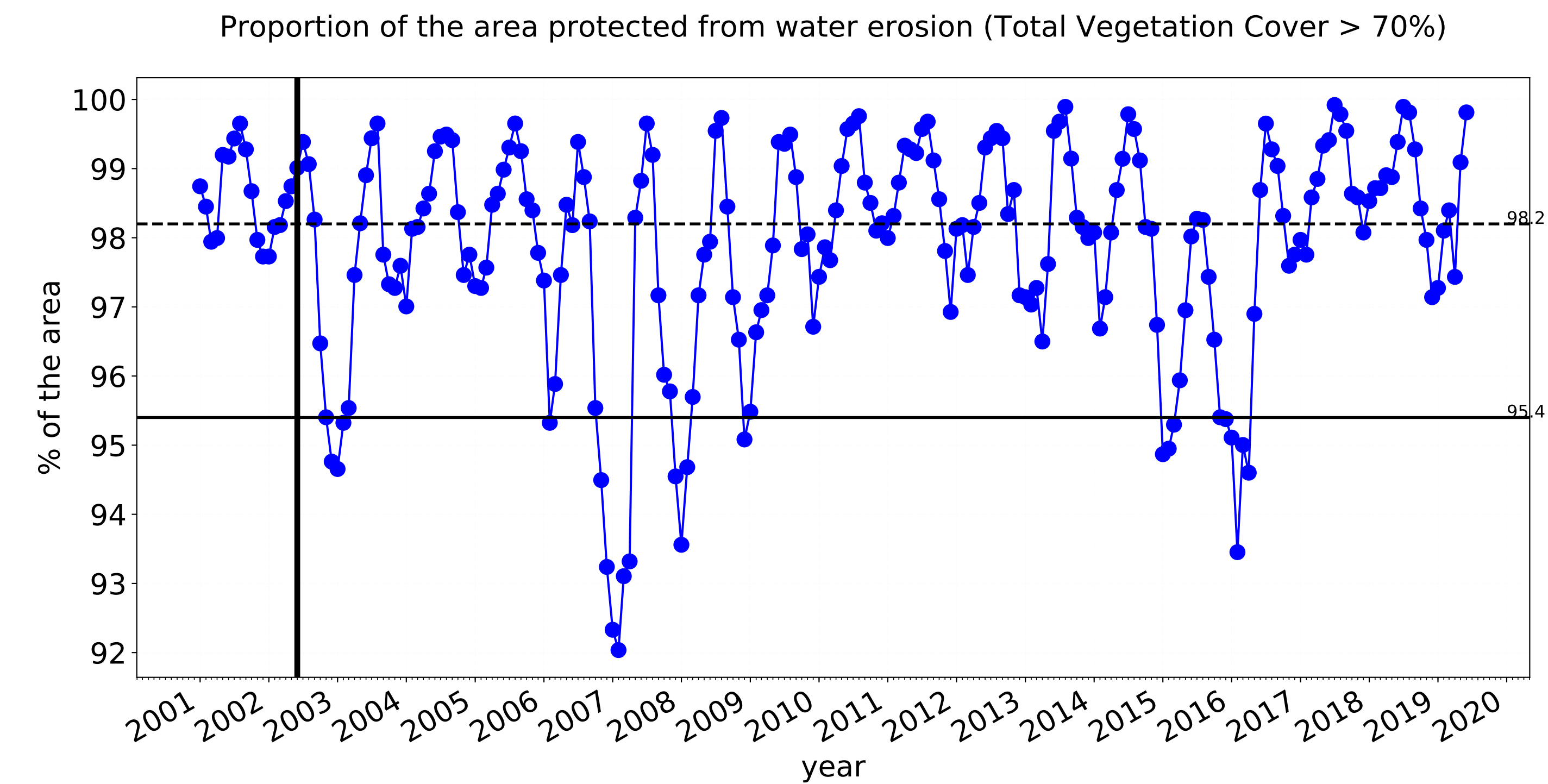
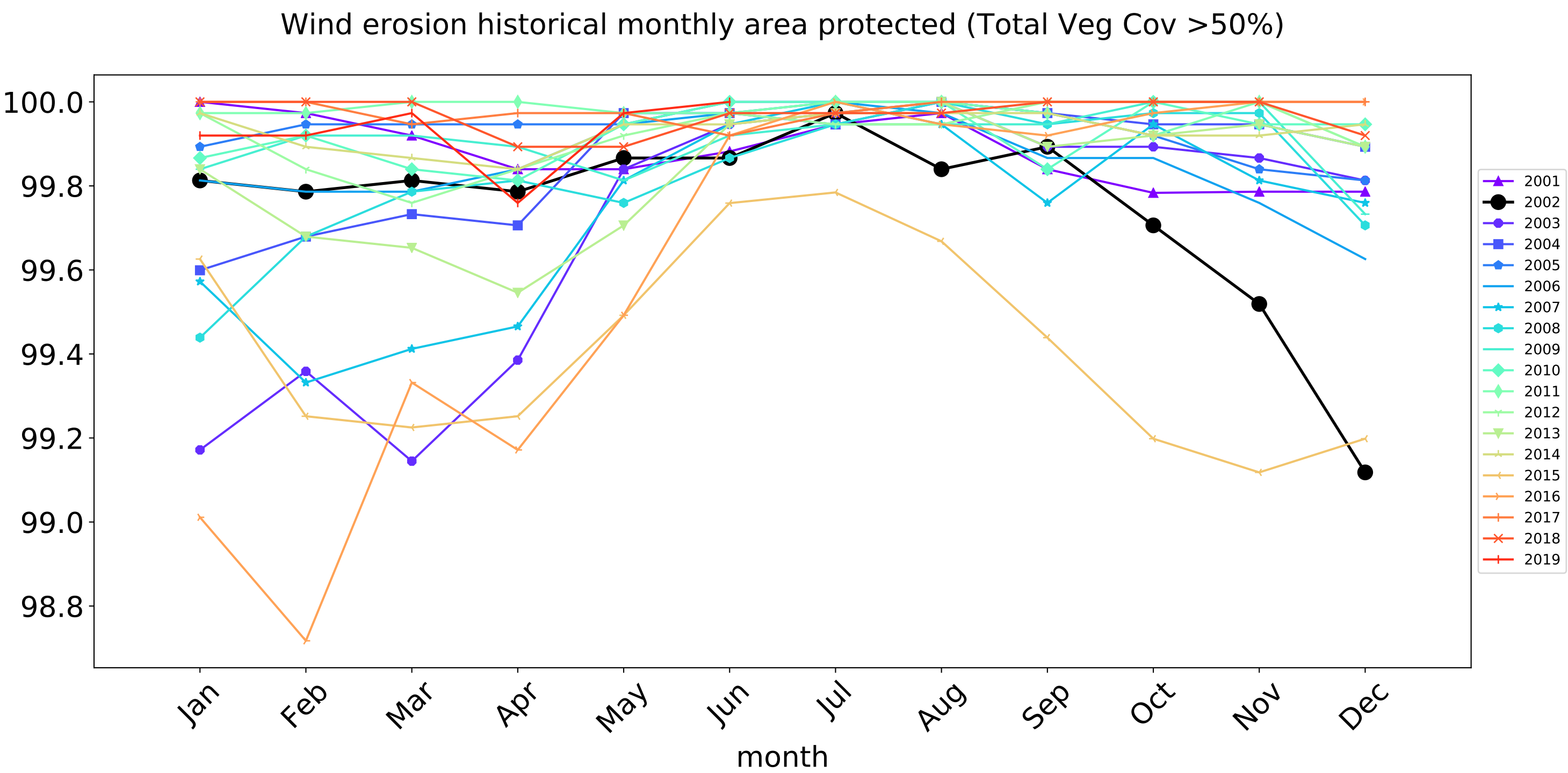
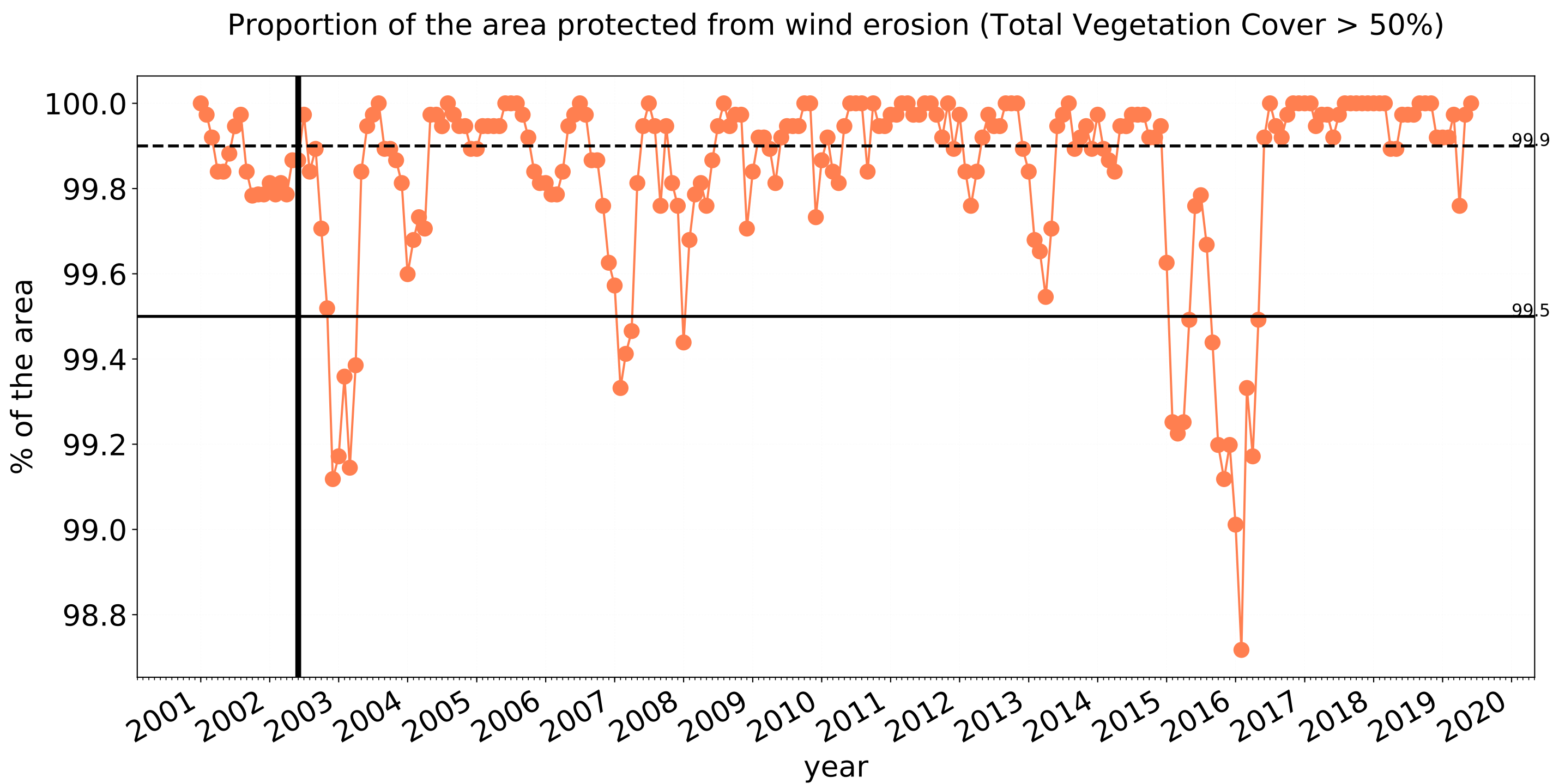


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Wimmera (2,329,950 ha and no data 15,562 ha) Percentage area and hectares protected with TVC threshold 30,50,70,80,90 and 95%

Land use and forest cover Class	area(ha)	above_30	above_50	above_70	above_80	above_90	above_95
Entire region	2,329,950	100.0% 2,329,549	99.8% 2,324,769	90.5% 2,107,634	68.2% 1,589,222	35.3% 821,865	16.1% 374,856
Conservation and natural environments	276,400	100.0% 276,350	99.9% 276,175	99.1% 273,900	95.5% 264,050	39.7% 109,650	12.1% 33,325
Conservation and natural environments non forest	46,825	99.9% 46,775	99.5% 46,600	96.3% 45,100	87.2% 40,825	35.4% 16,575	11.8% 5,525
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	202,575	100.0% 202,575	100.0% 202,575	99.7% 201,925	97.2% 196,975	36.4% 73,825	9.3% 18,825
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	27,000	100.0% 27,000	100.0% 27,000	99.5% 26,875	97.2% 26,250	71.3% 19,250	33.2% 8,975
Agriculture	1,907,650	100.0% 1,907,525	99.8% 1,903,250	88.7% 1,692,475	62.7% 1,195,250	33.2% 633,250	16.3% 310,775
Grazing	776,825	100.0% 776,775	99.9% 776,025	98.2% 762,525	91.3% 709,475	60.9% 472,700	30.8% 239,125
Grazing non forest	723,400	100.0% 723,350	99.9% 722,600	98.1% 709,375	91.0% 658,150	61.4% 444,450	31.8% 230,350
Grazing Woodland forest	49,525	100.0% 49,525	100.0% 49,525	99.5% 49,275	95.9% 47,500	51.2% 25,350	15.1% 7,500
Cropping	1,125,550	100.0% 1,125,475	99.7% 1,121,950	82.2% 924,675	42.7% 480,875	14.0% 157,600	6.3% 70,400
Production native forests and plantation forests	93,550	100.0% 93,525	99.9% 93,425	99.0% 92,625	96.5% 90,250	61.5% 57,500	23.8% 22,250



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