

# Total vegetation cover soil protection

## Region:NRM Peel-Harvey Region WA

**Date: April 2010**

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.

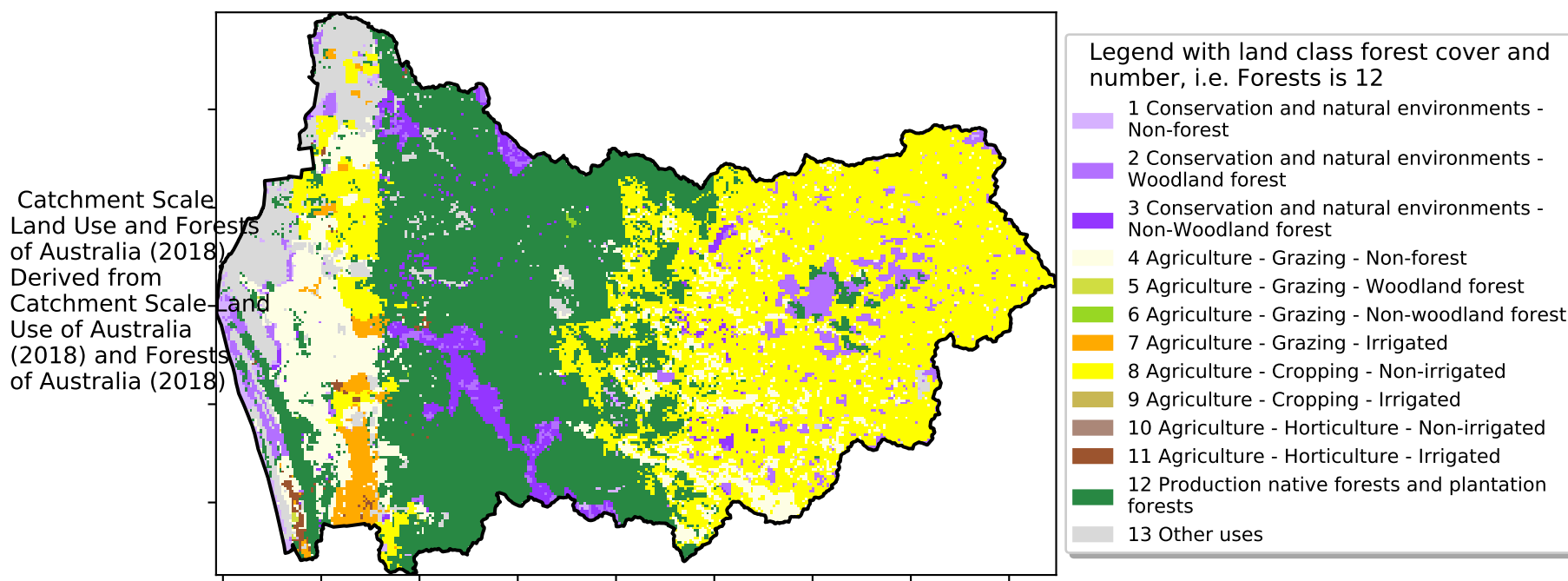
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1. <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/aclump/land-use/alum-classification>
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4. MODIS Fractional cover algorithm:  
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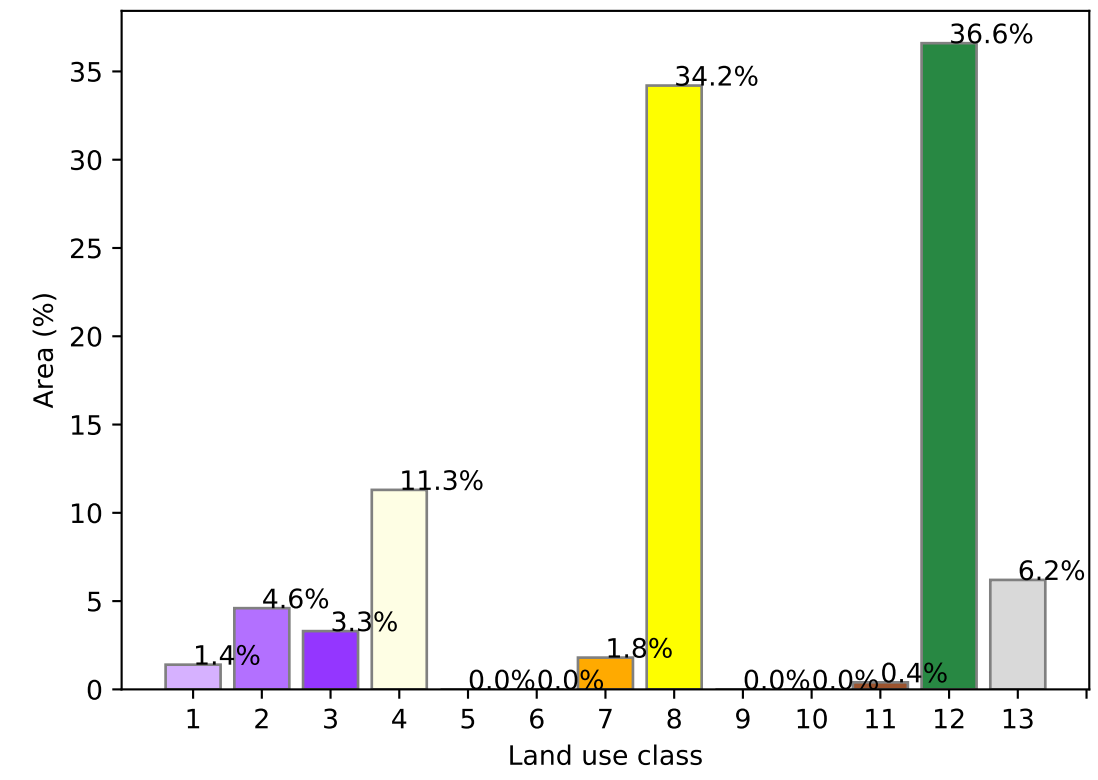


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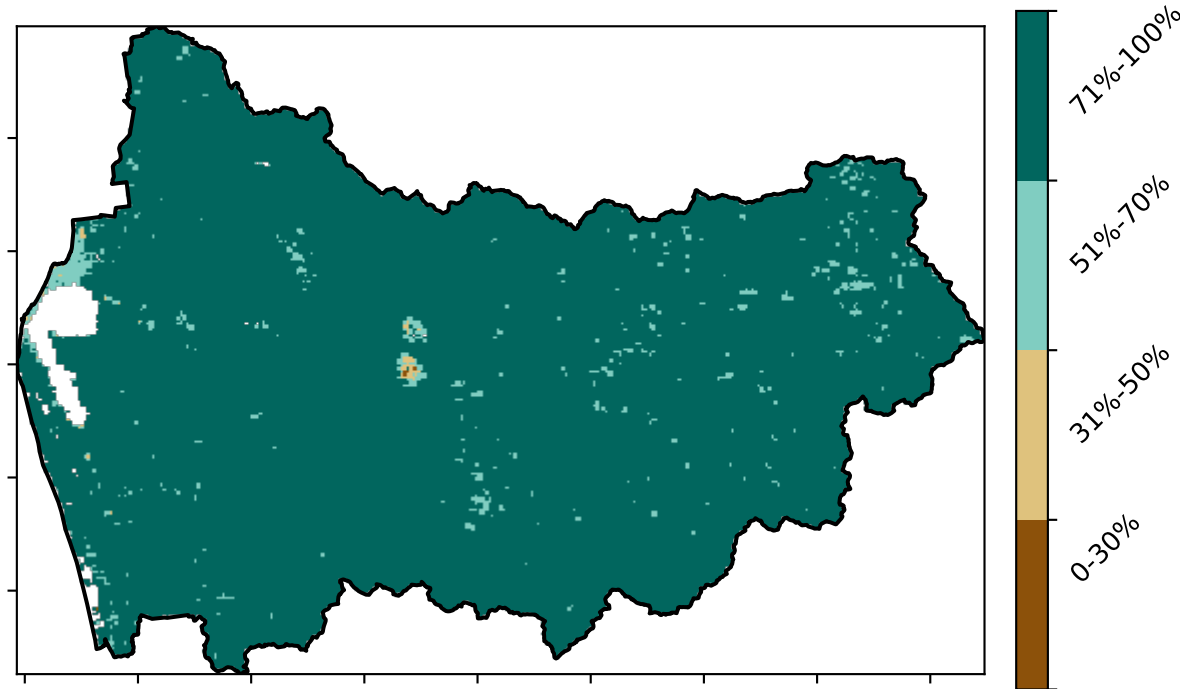
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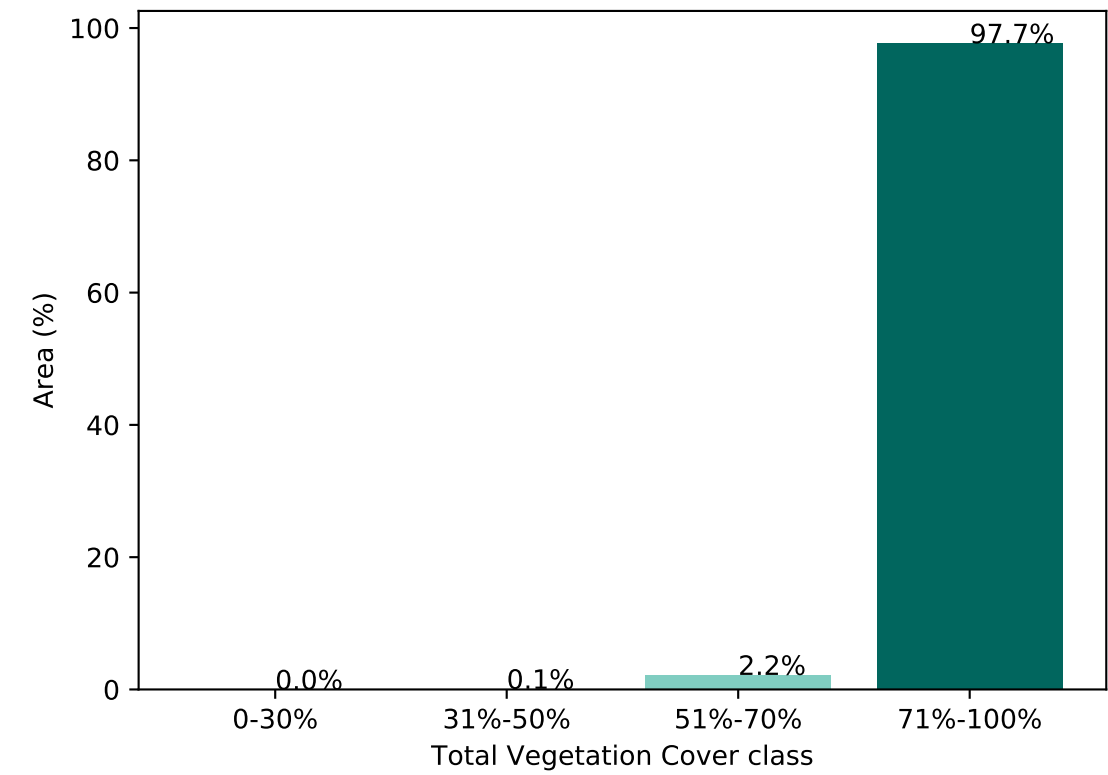
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Total Vegetation Cover [%]



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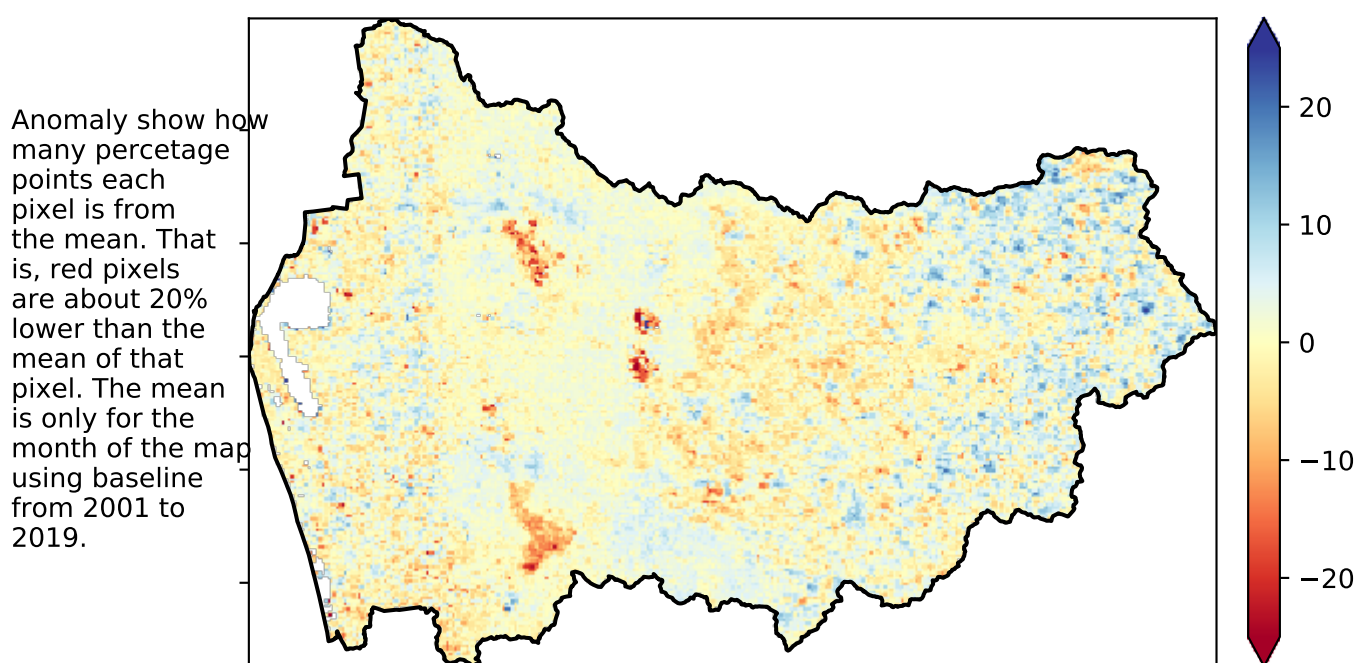
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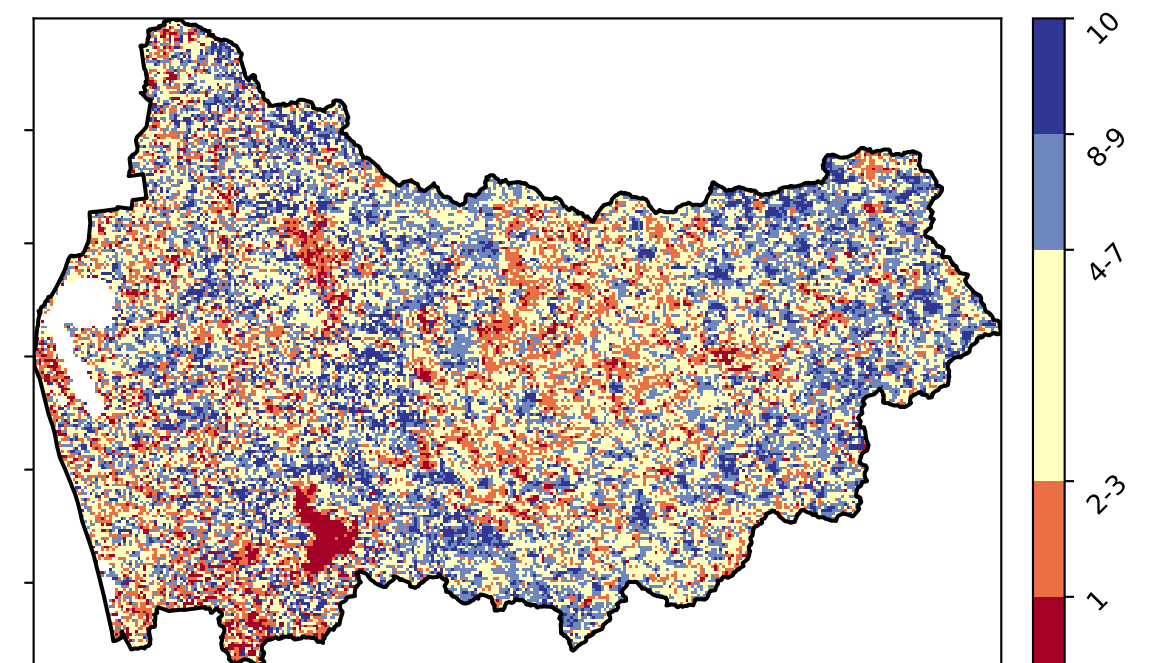


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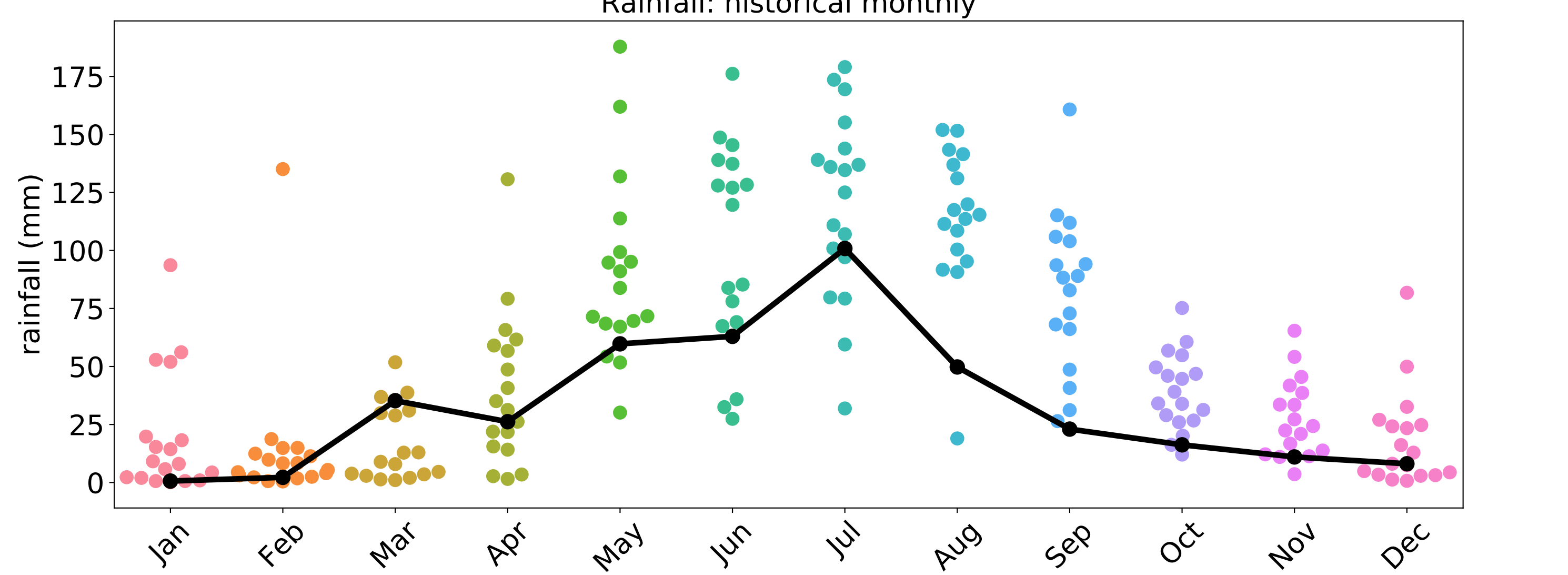
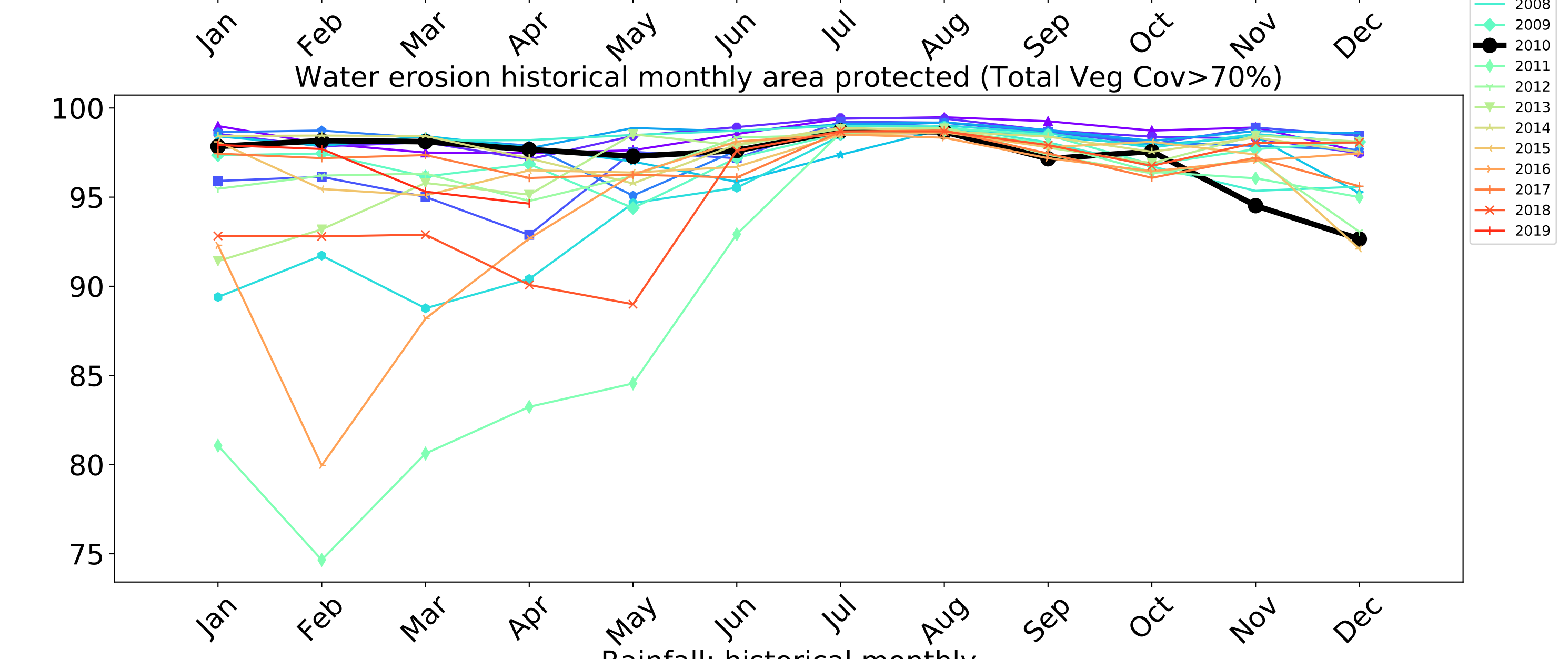
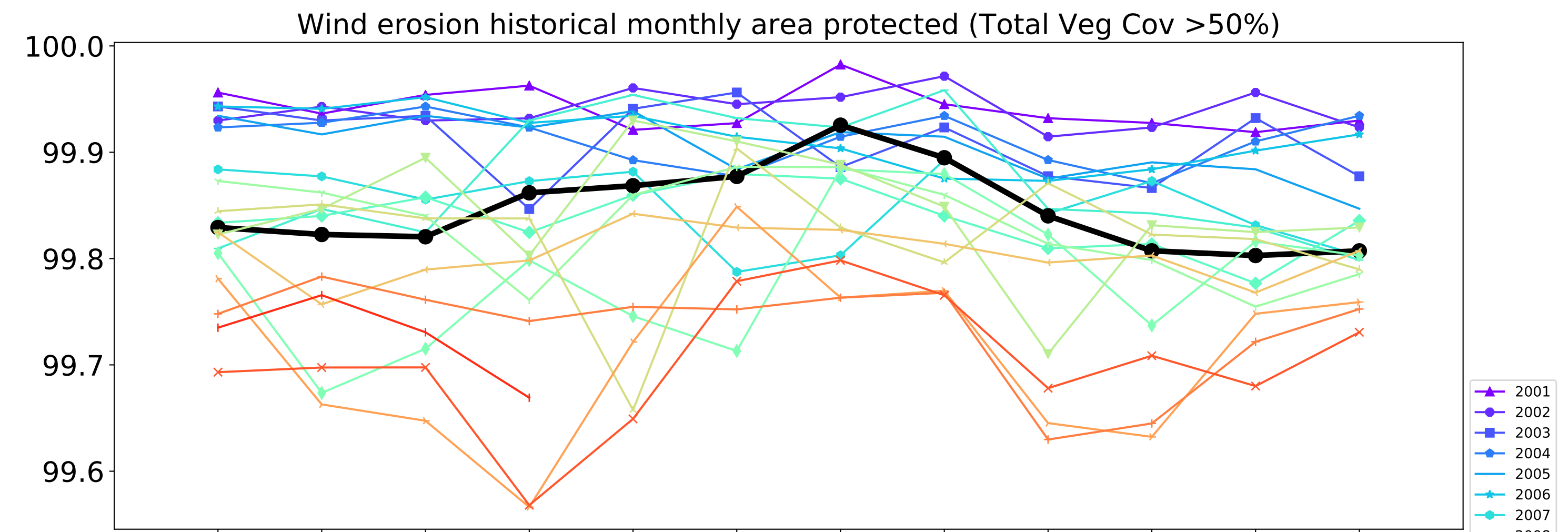
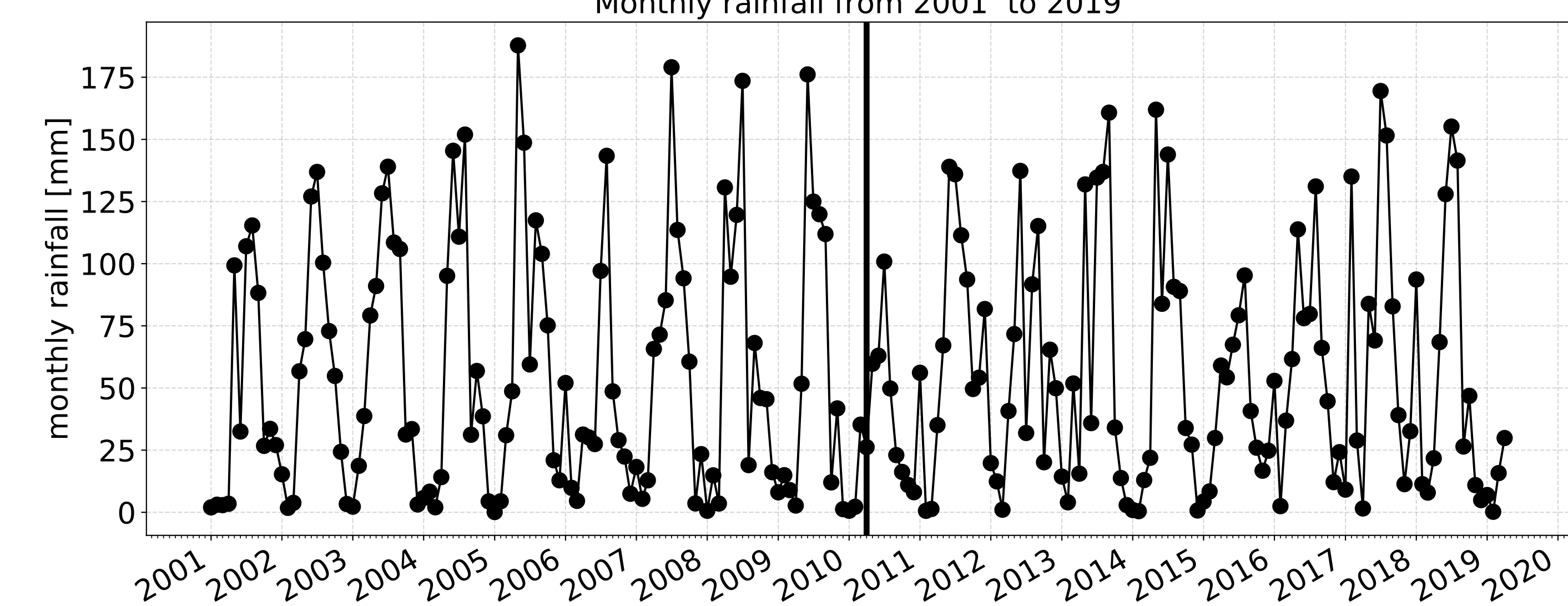
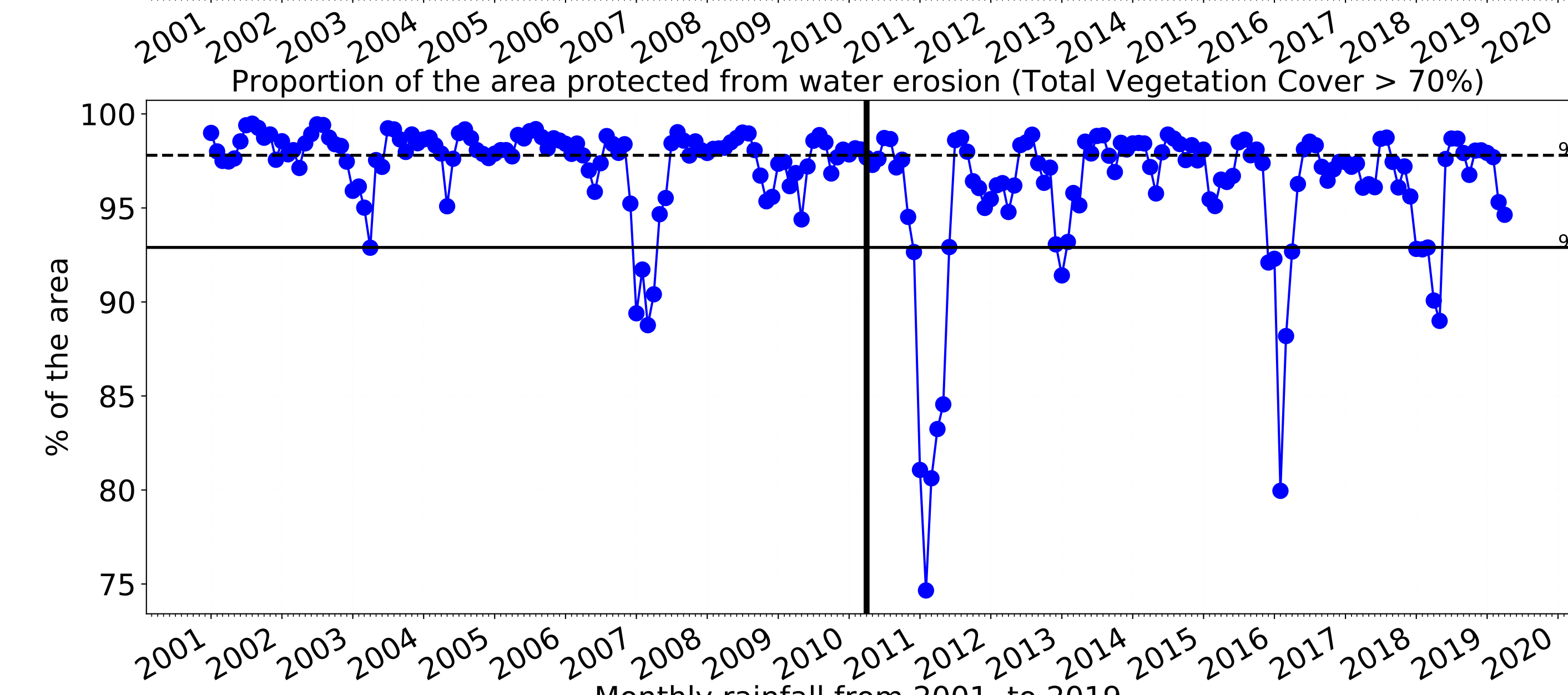
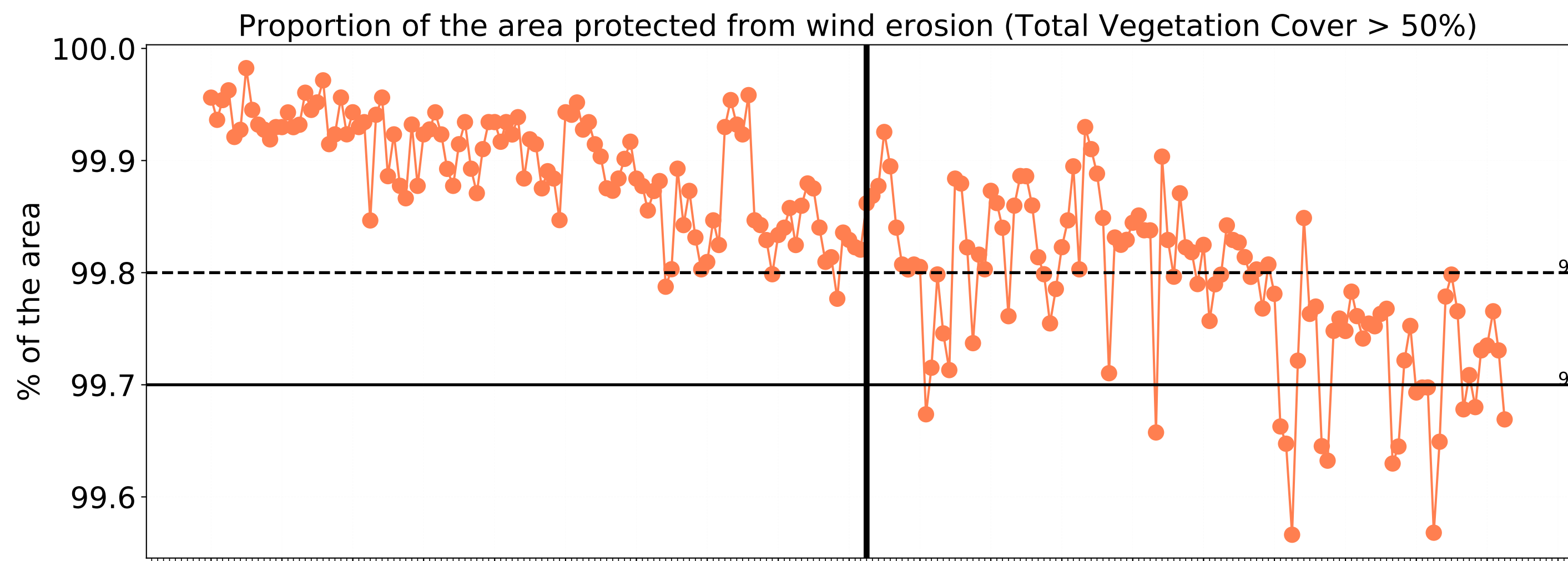


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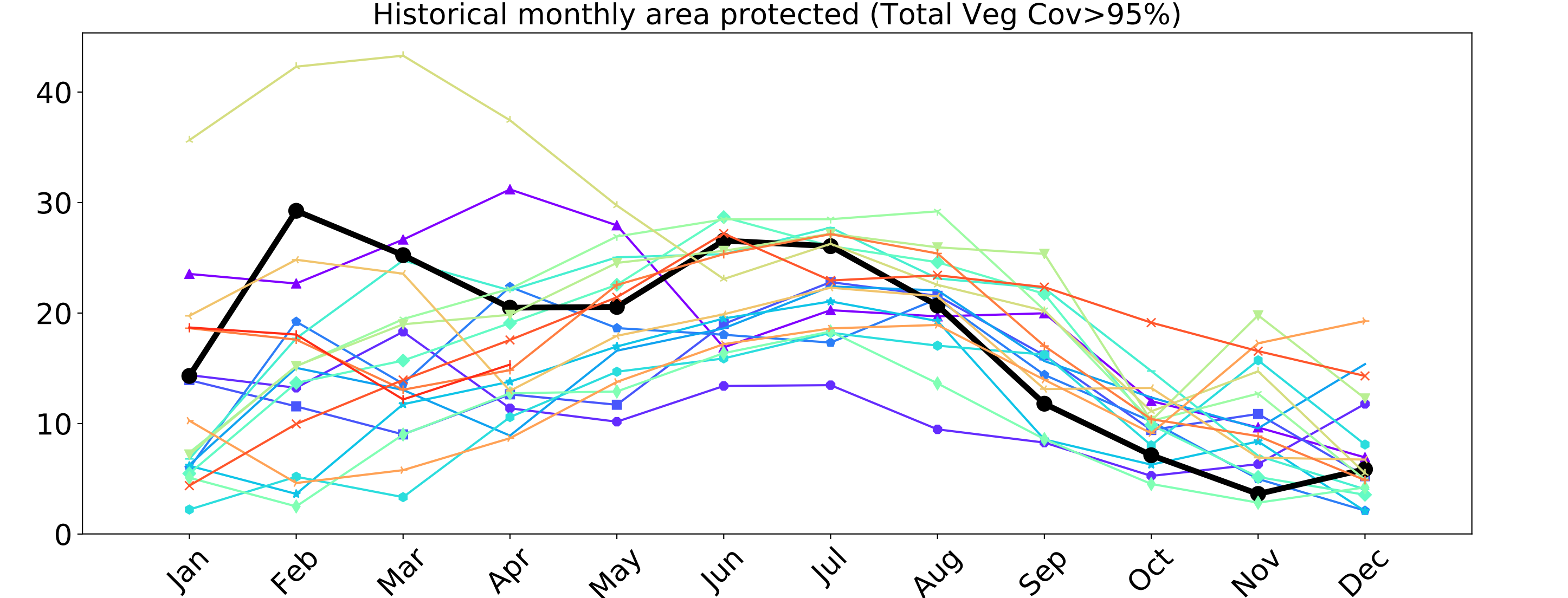
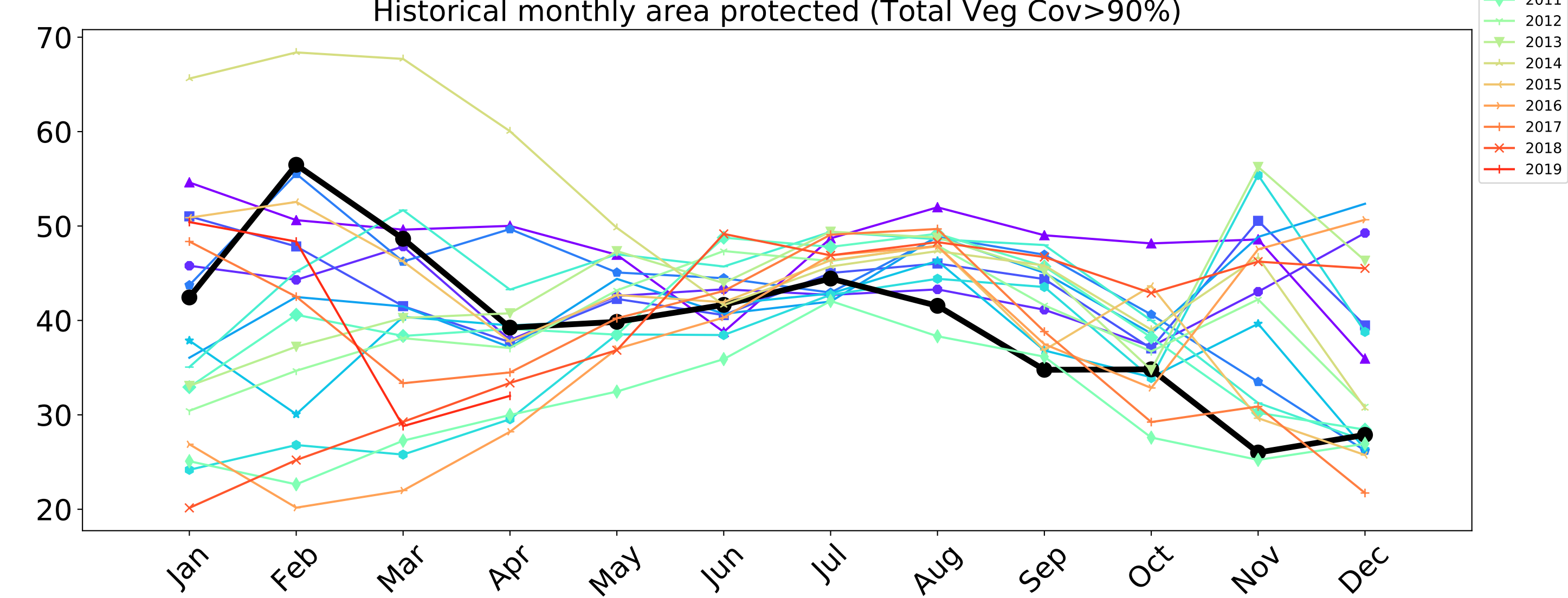
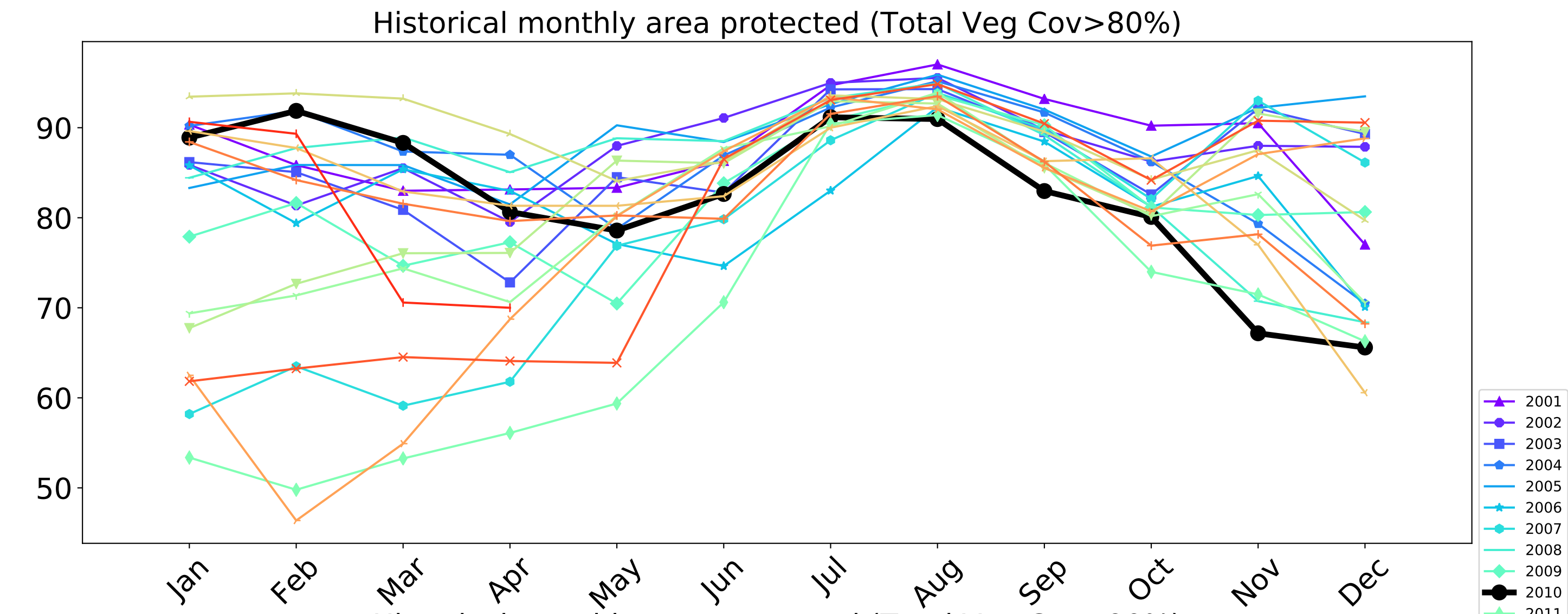
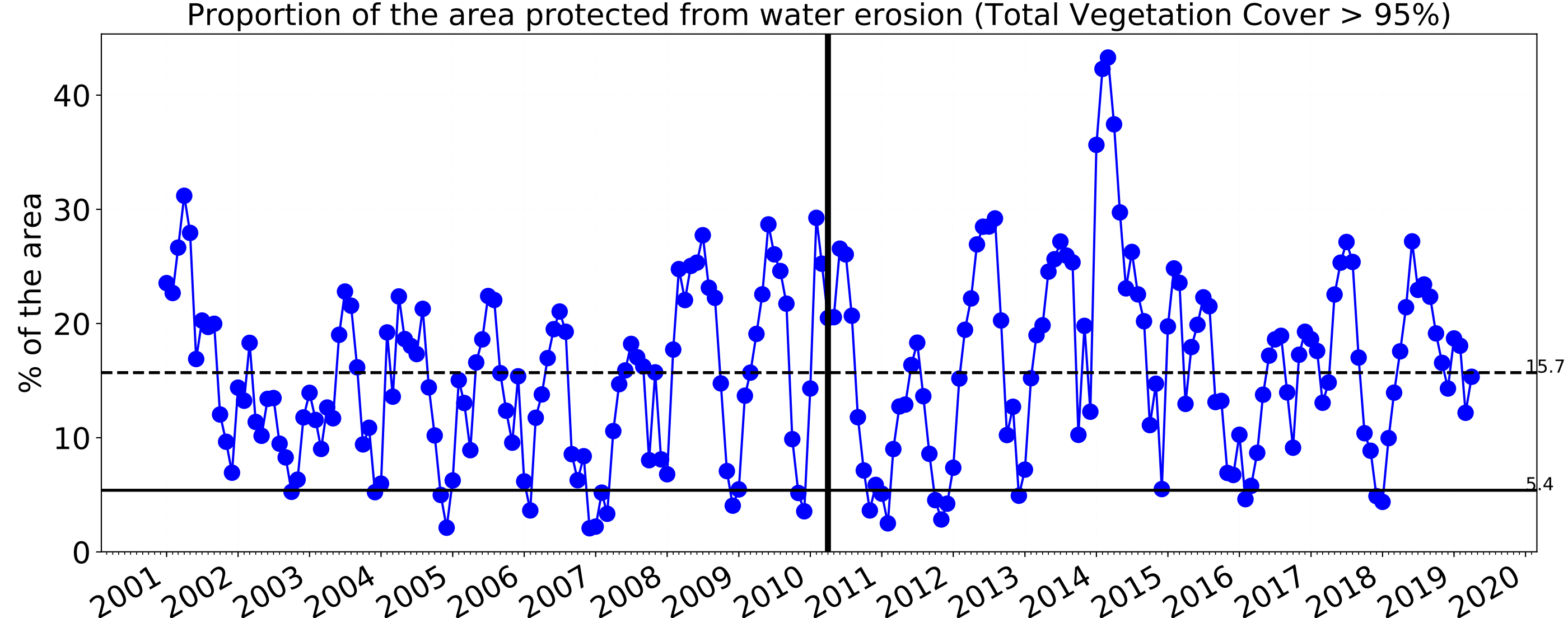
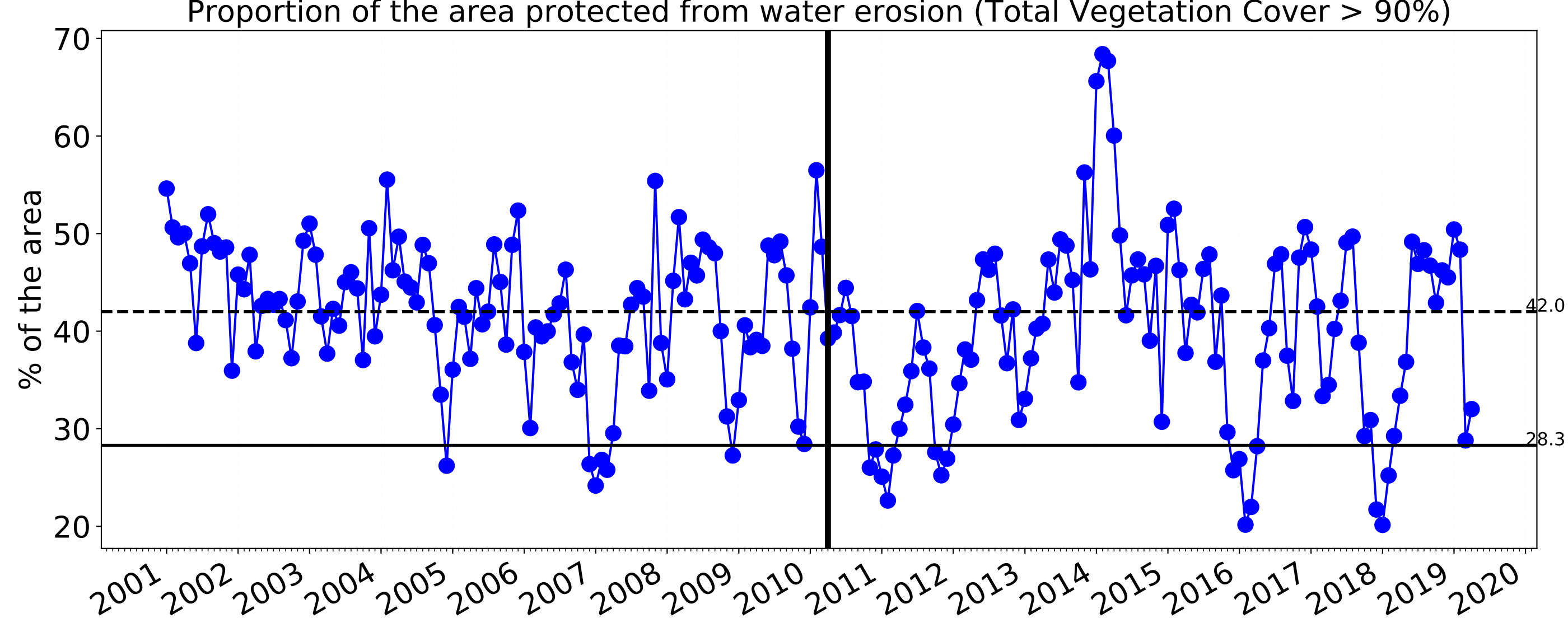
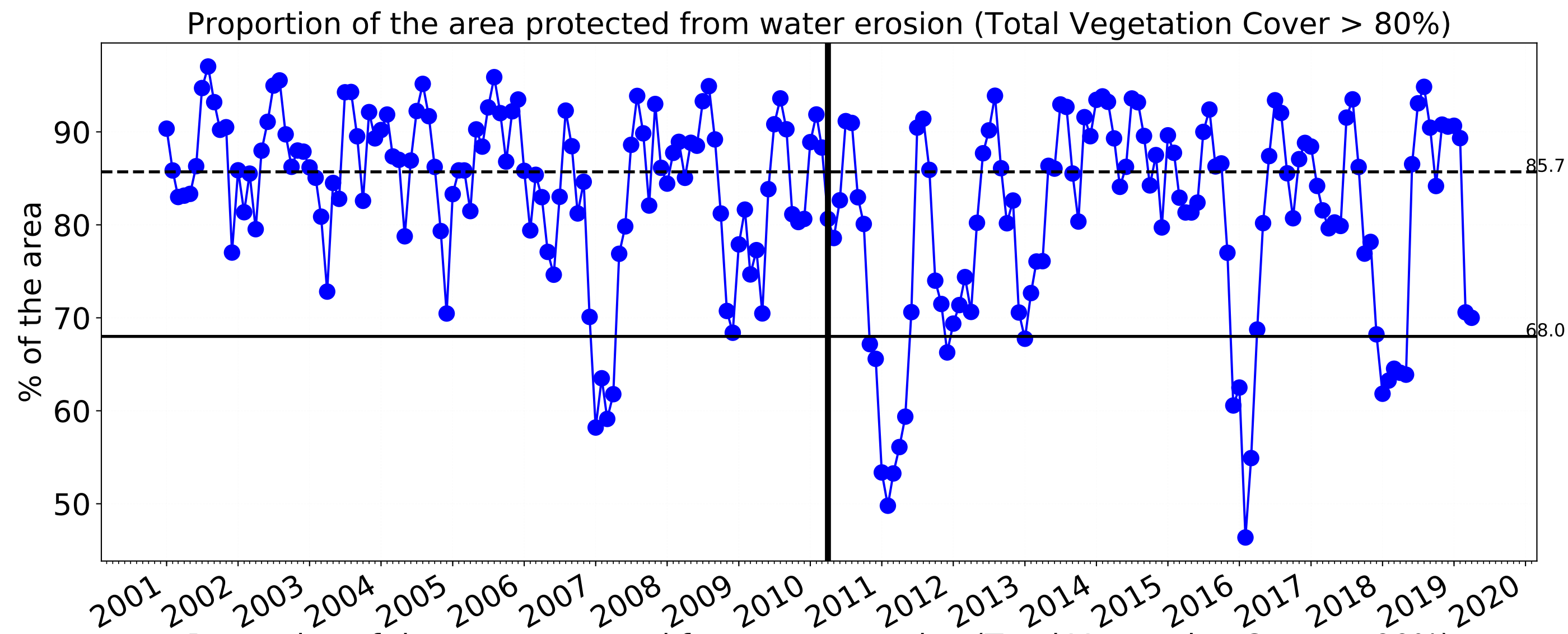


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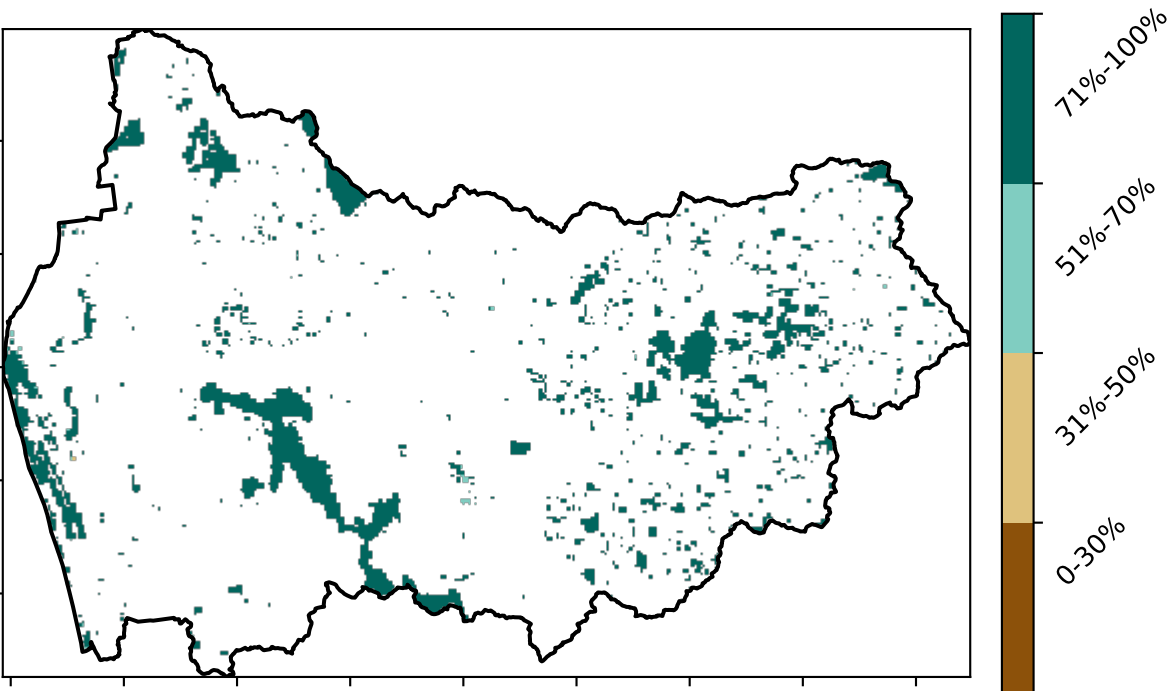
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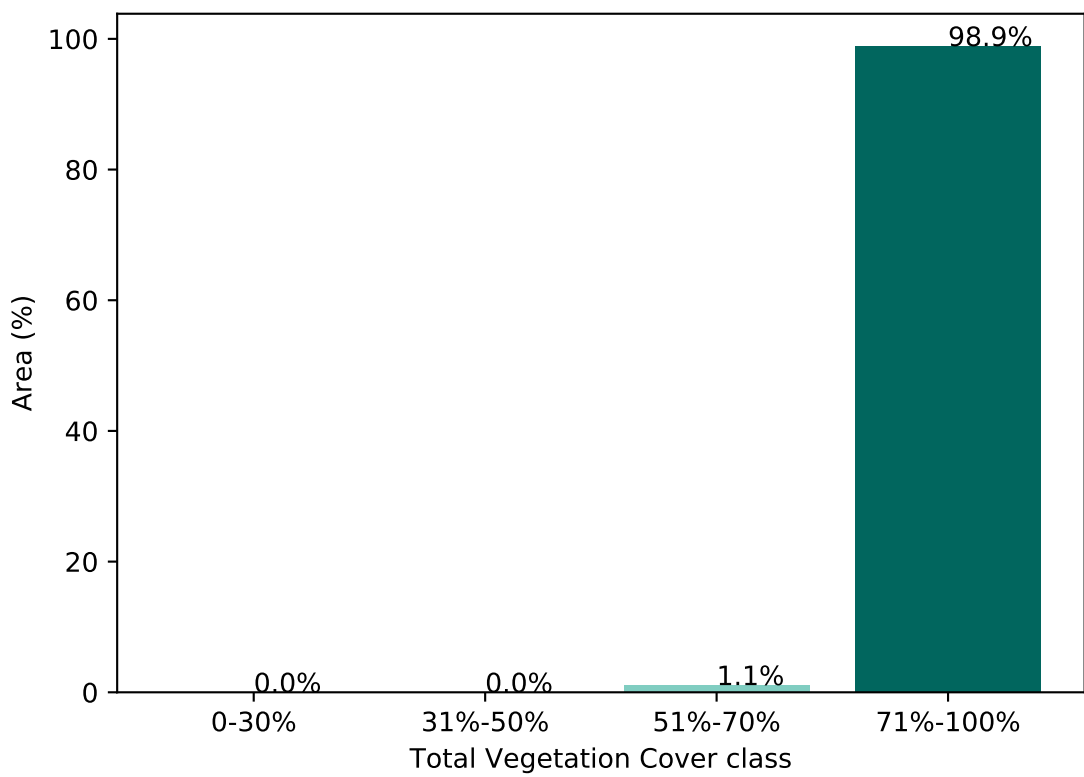
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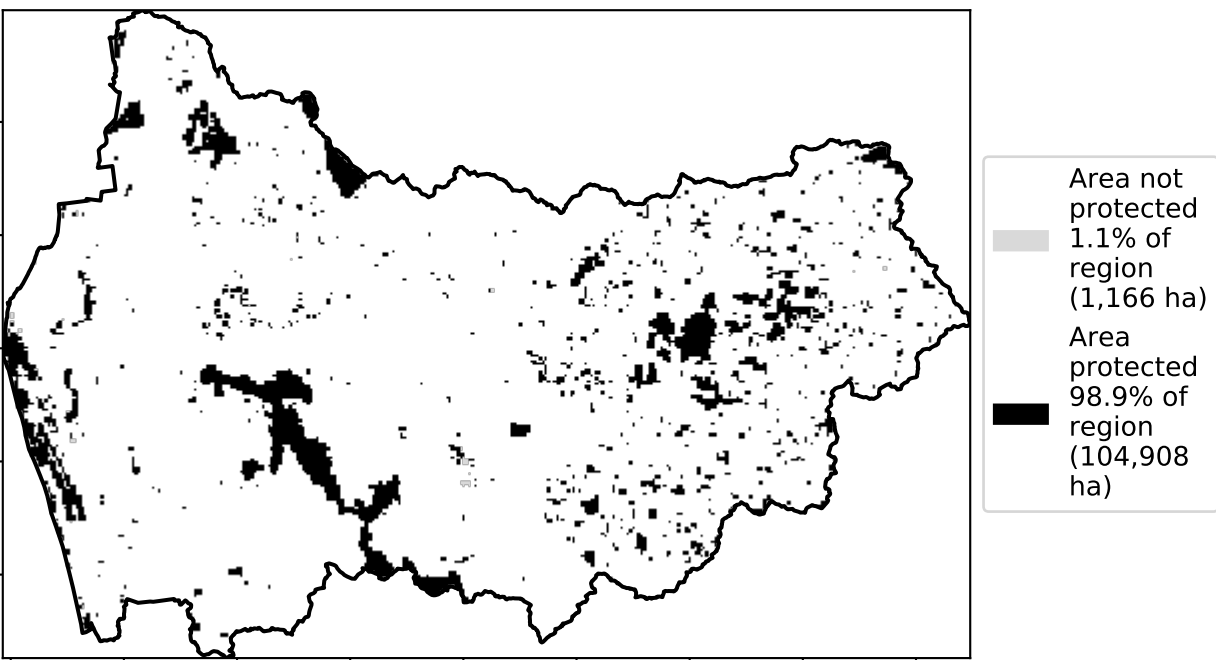
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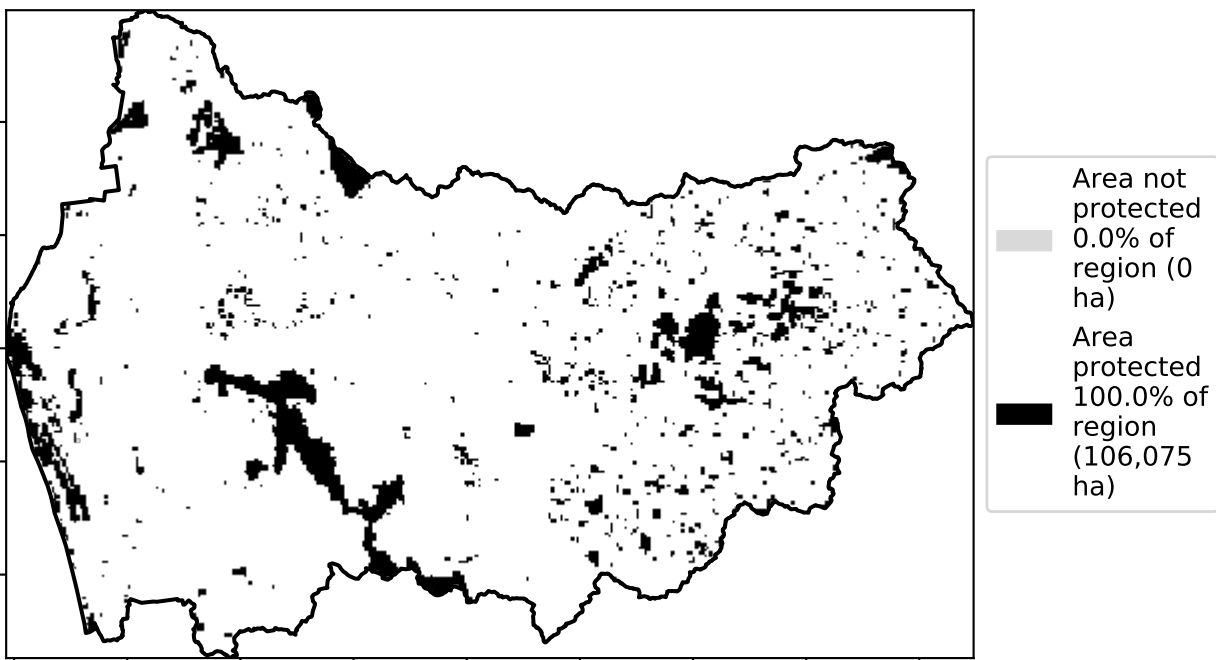
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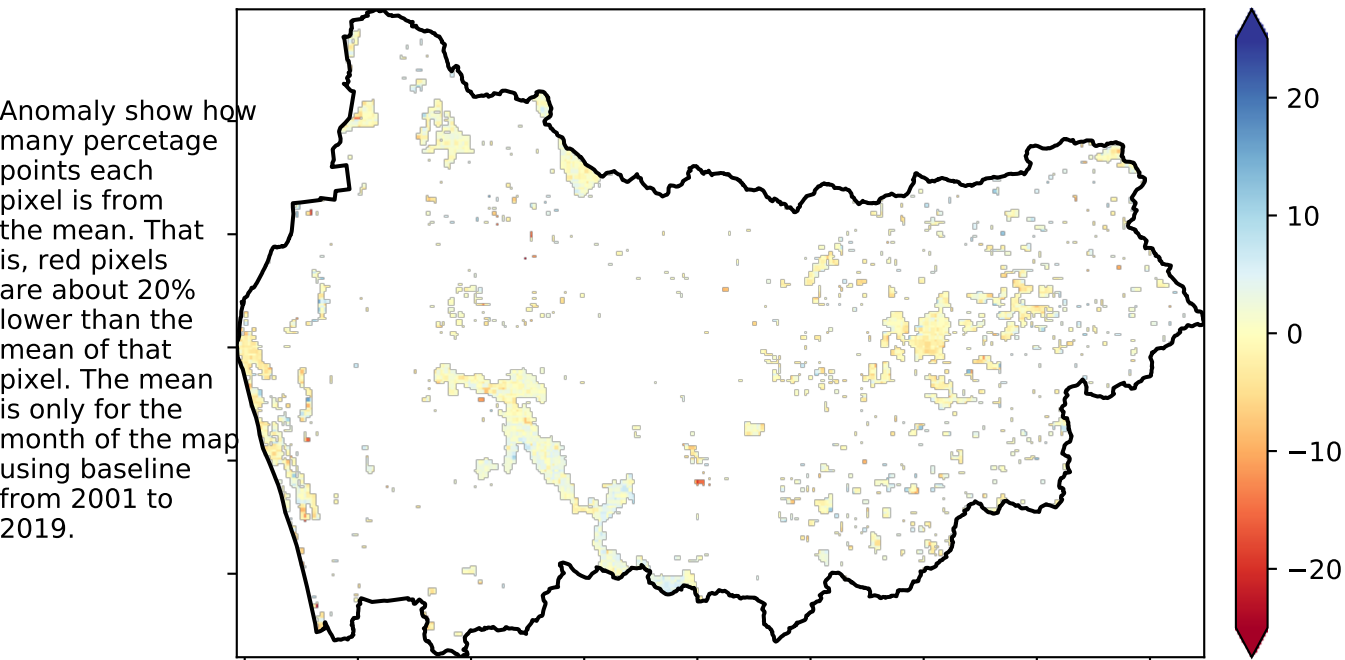
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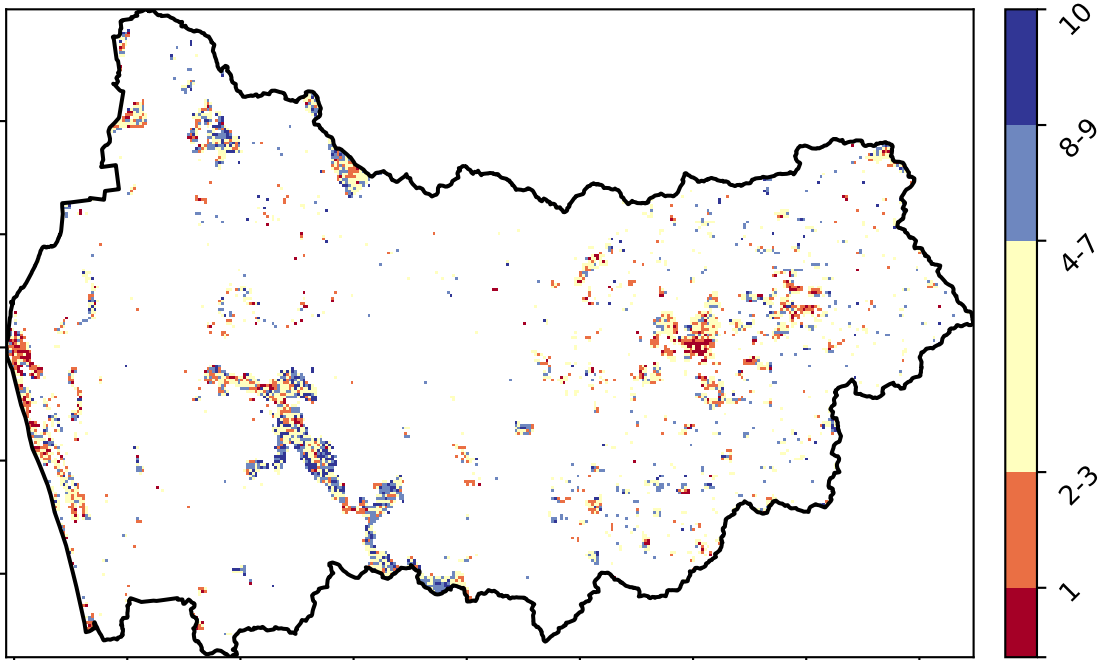


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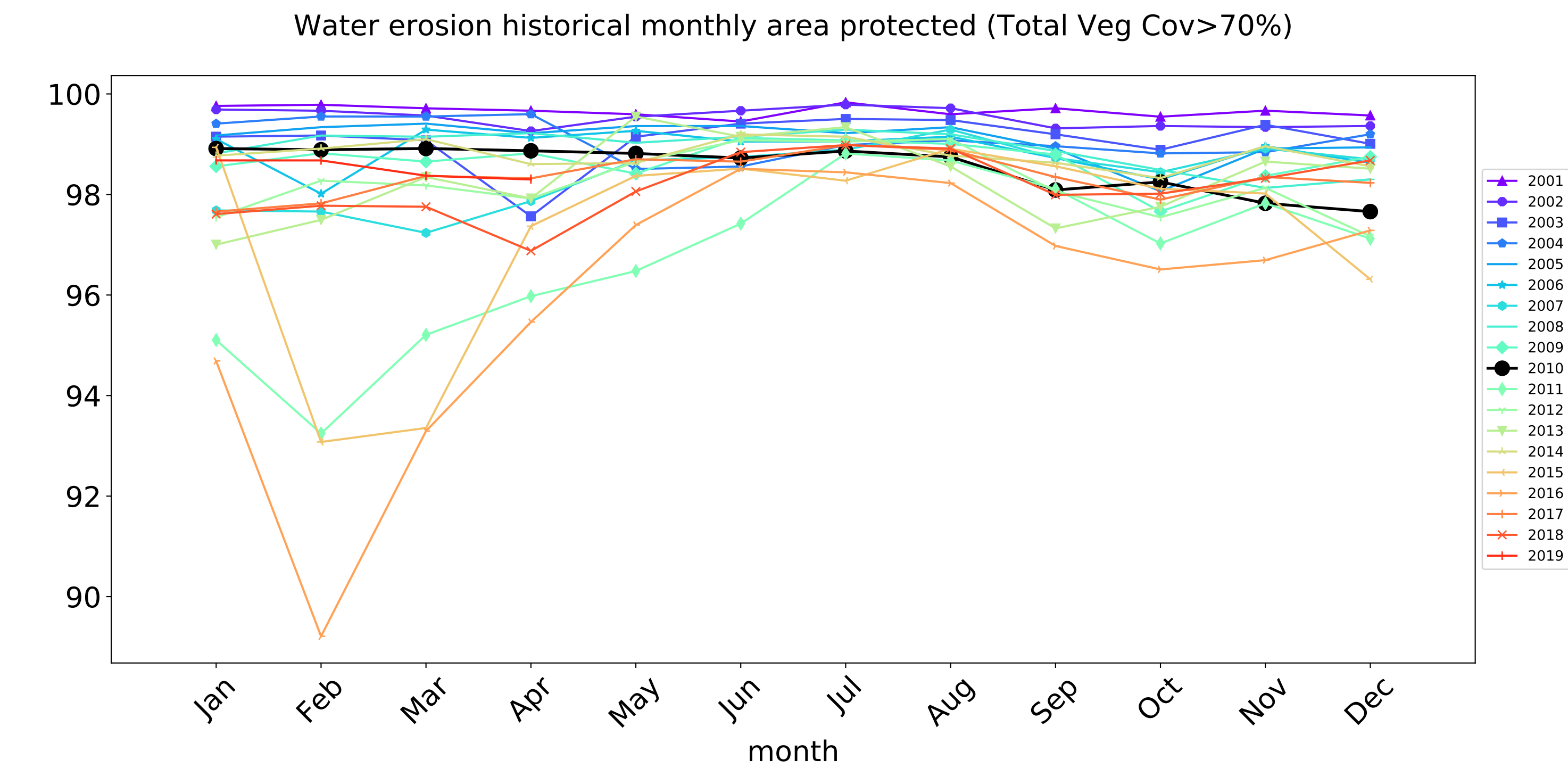
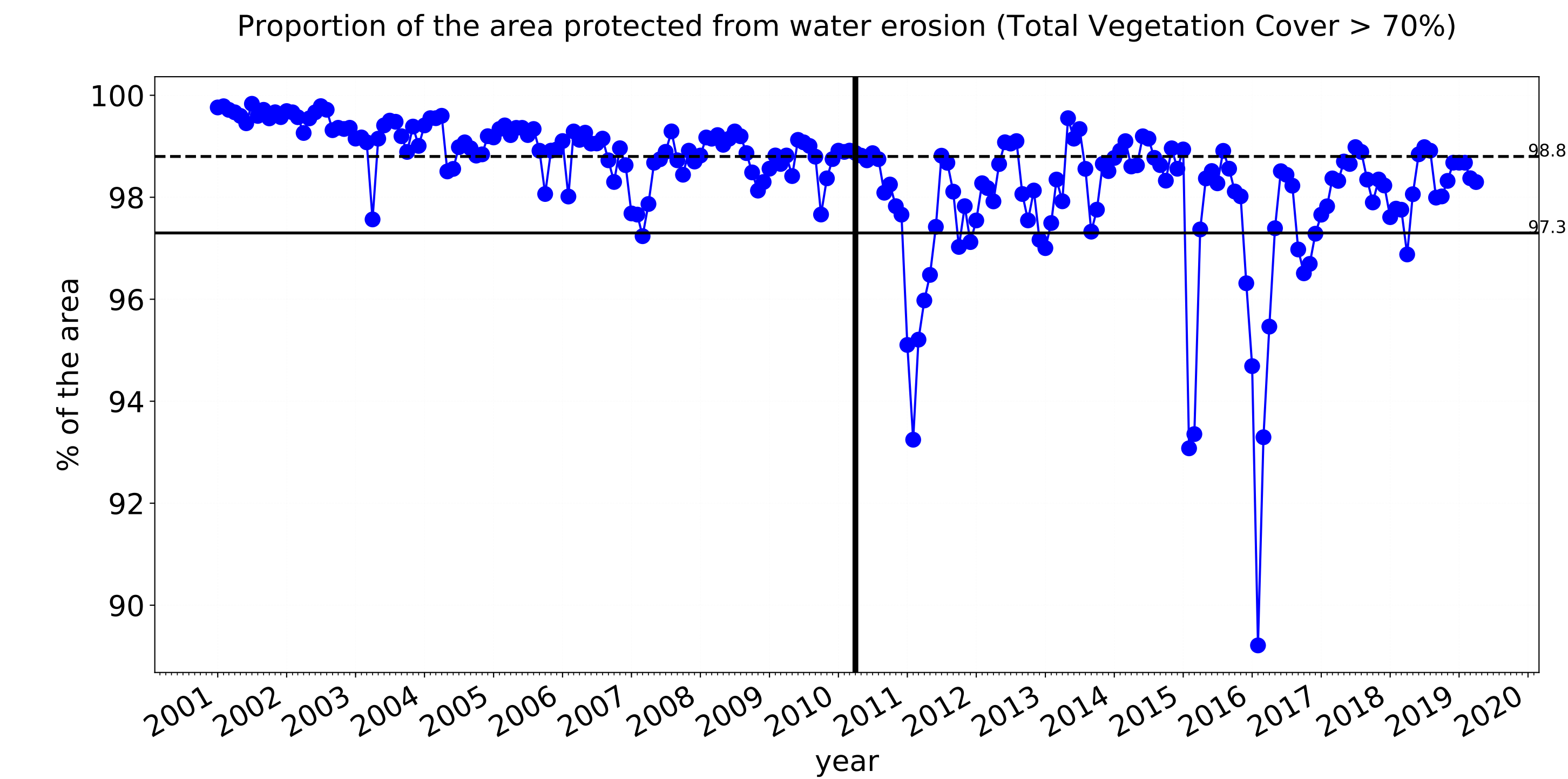
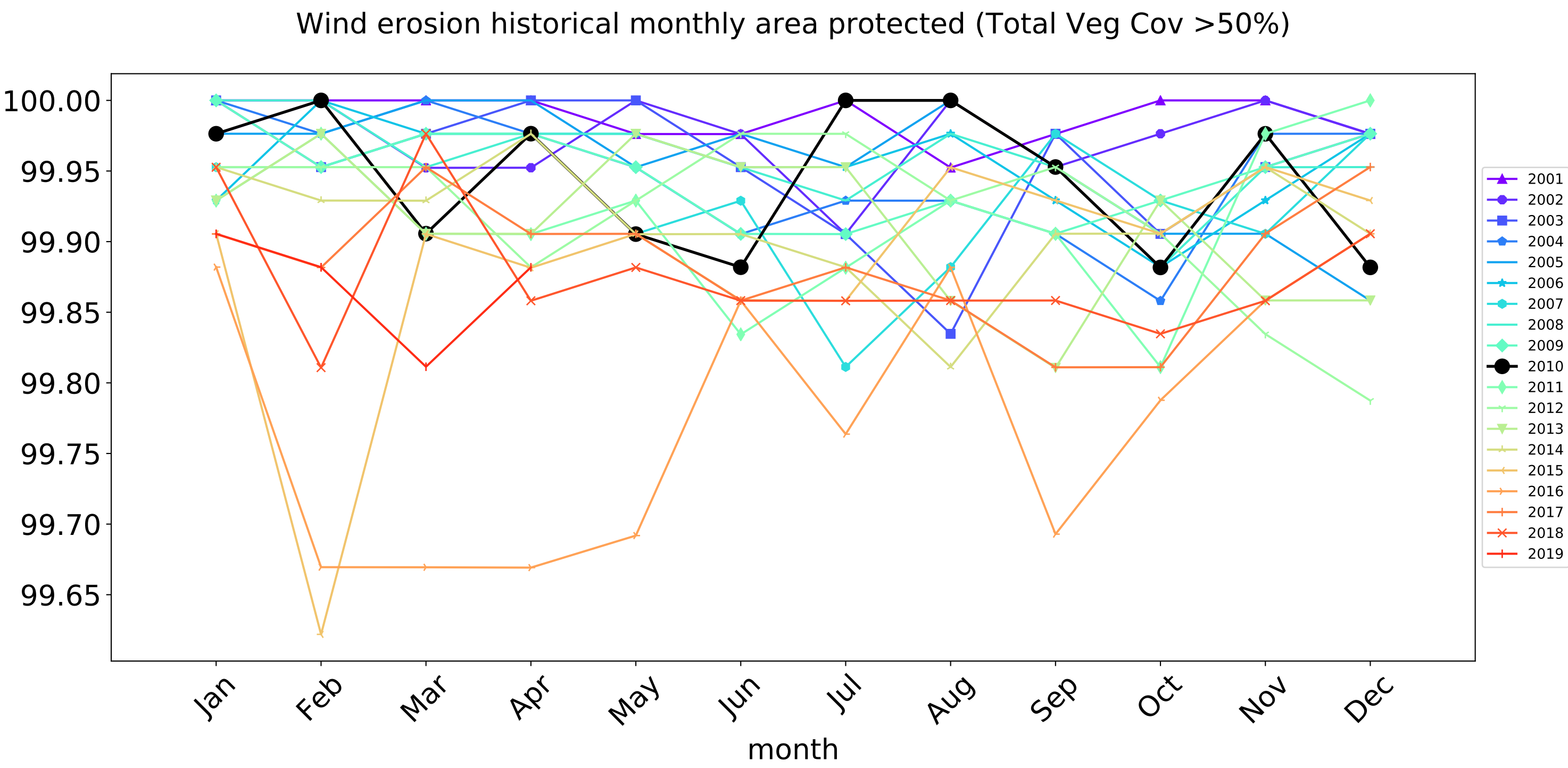
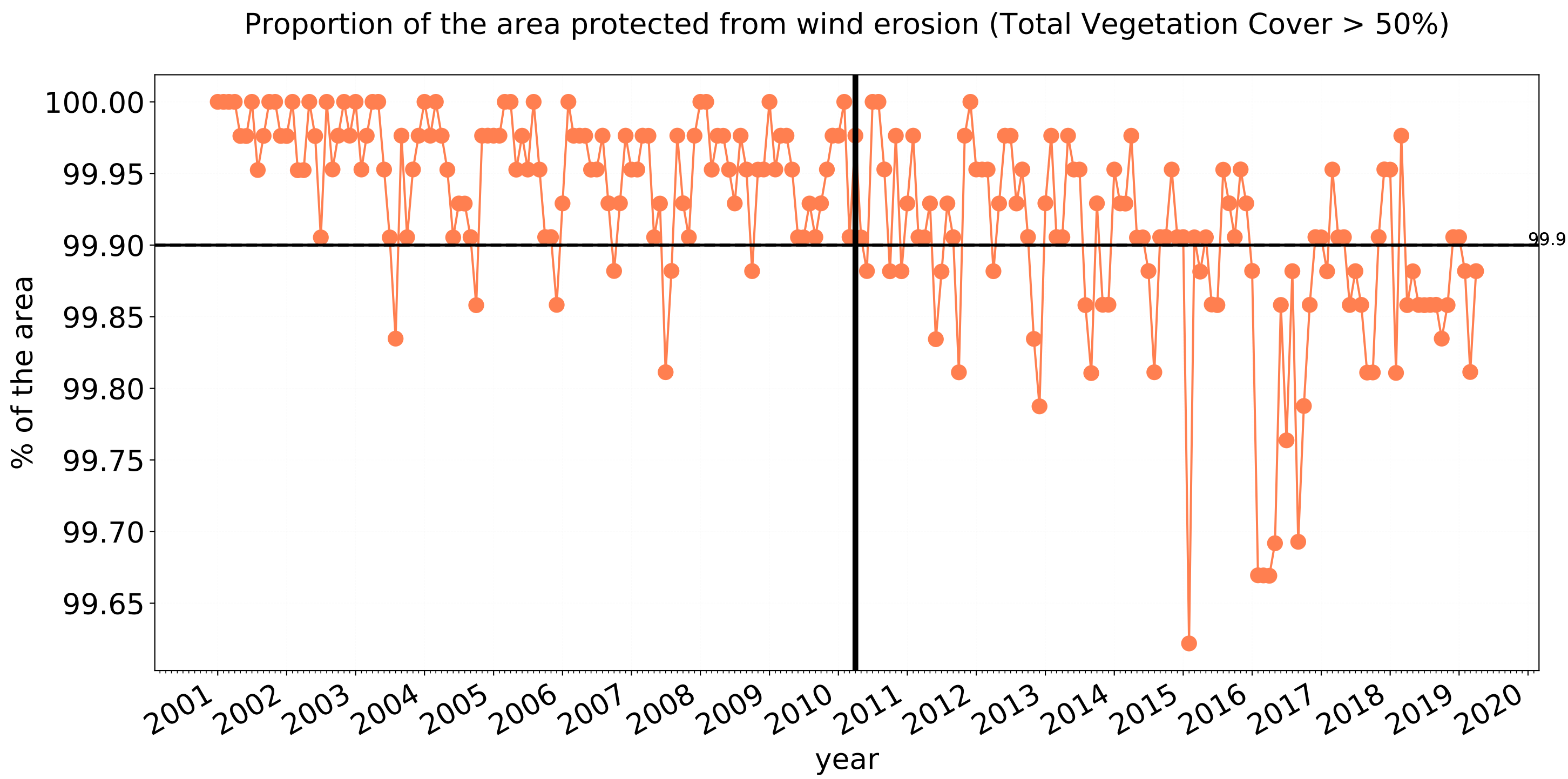


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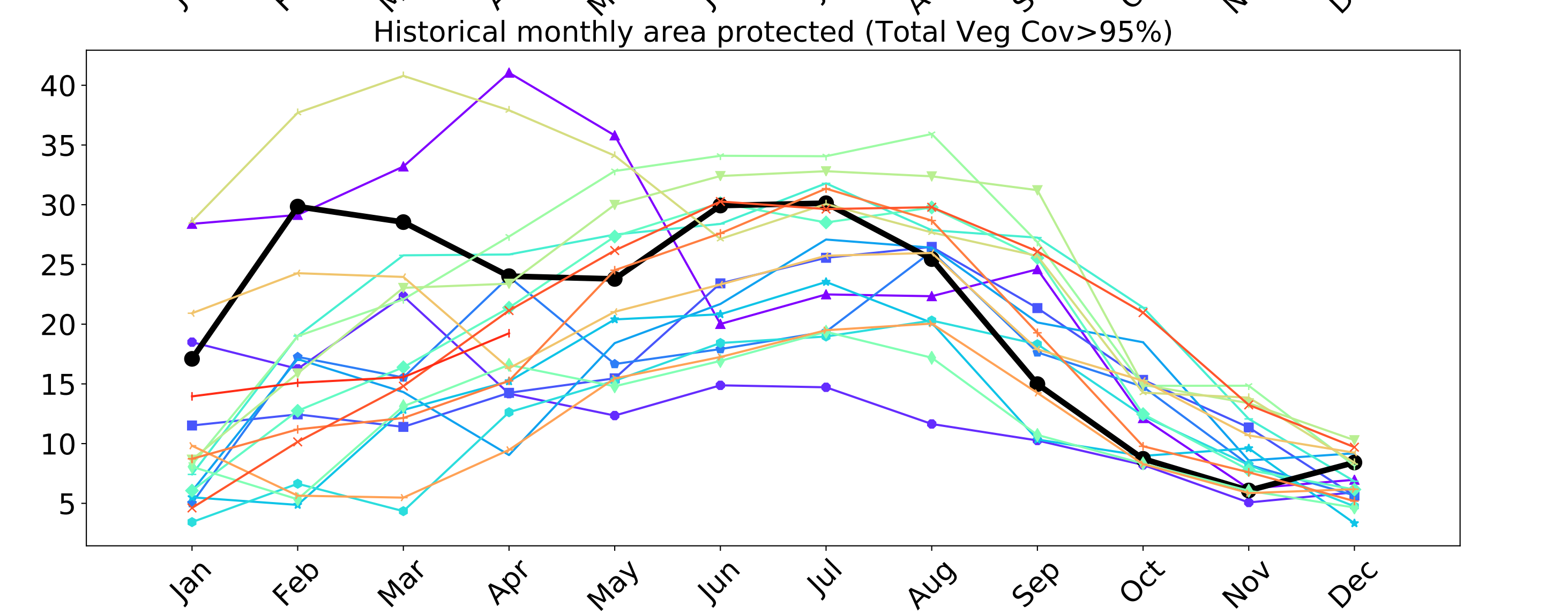
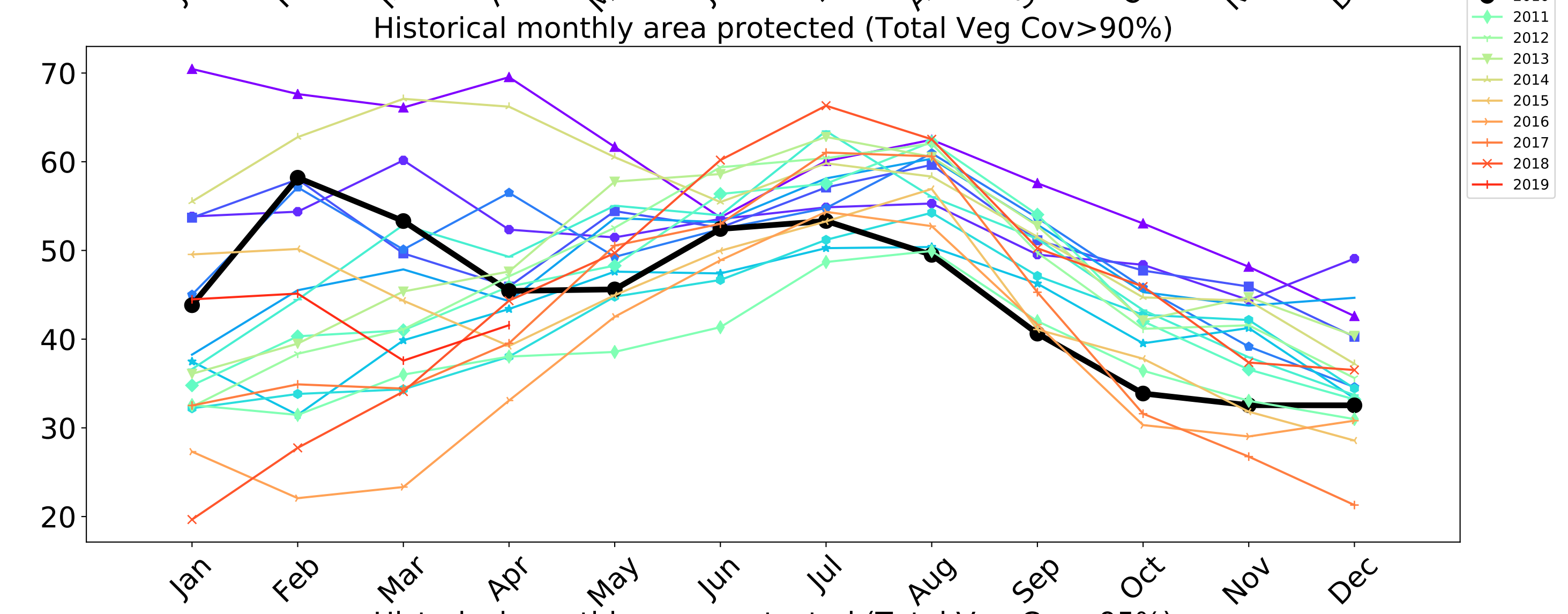
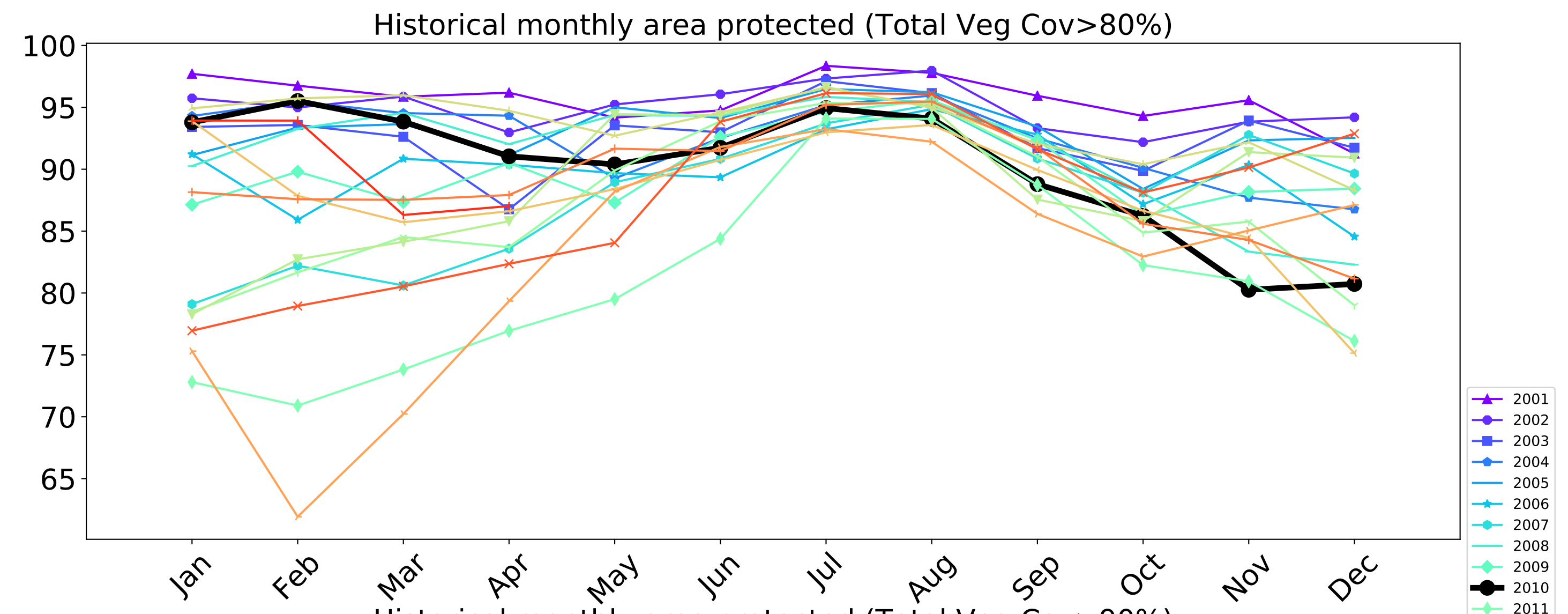
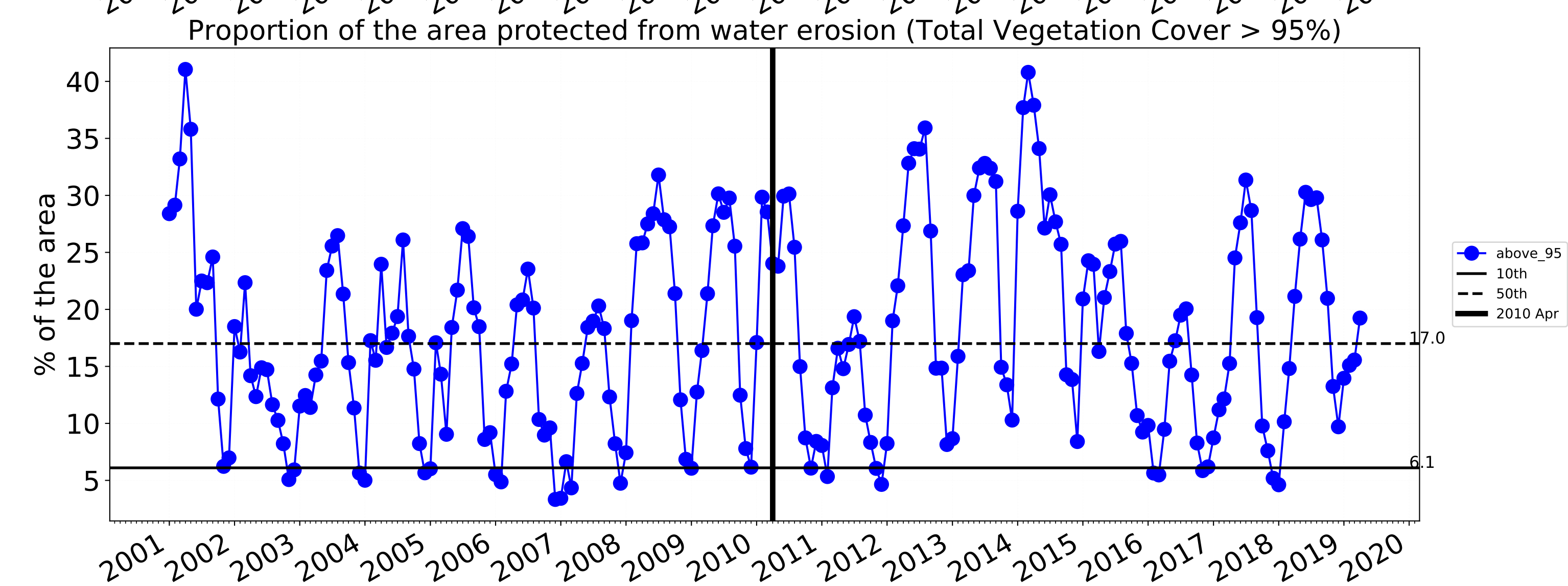
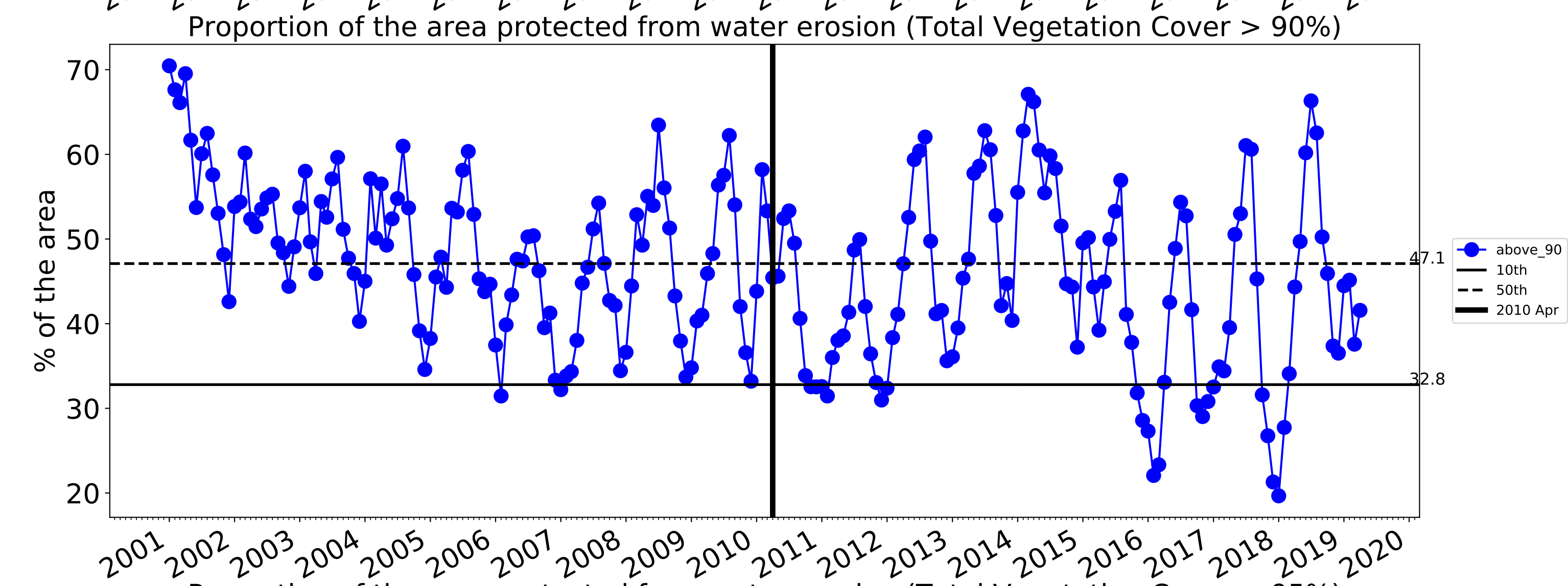
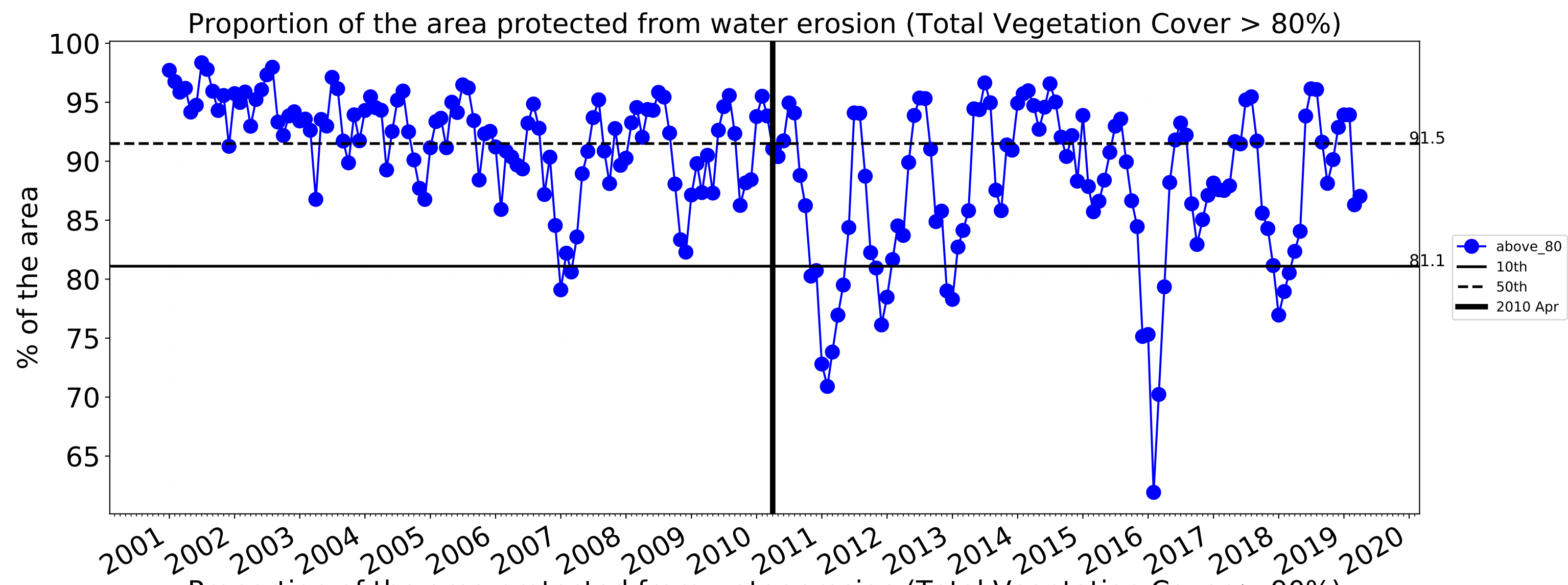


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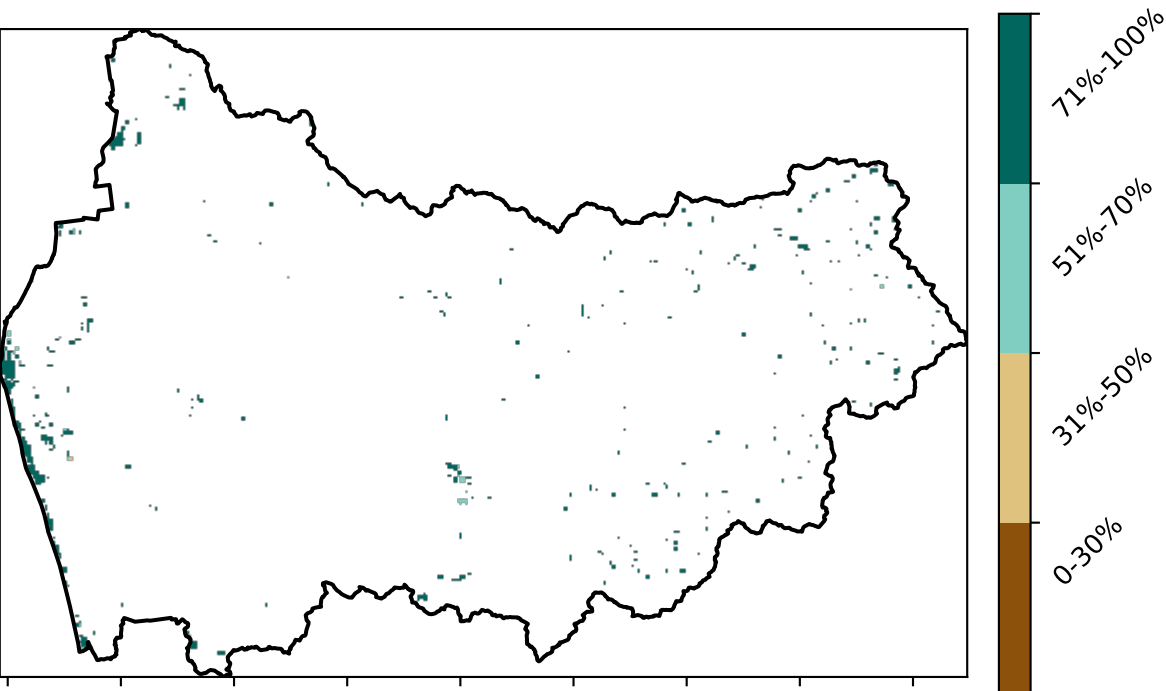


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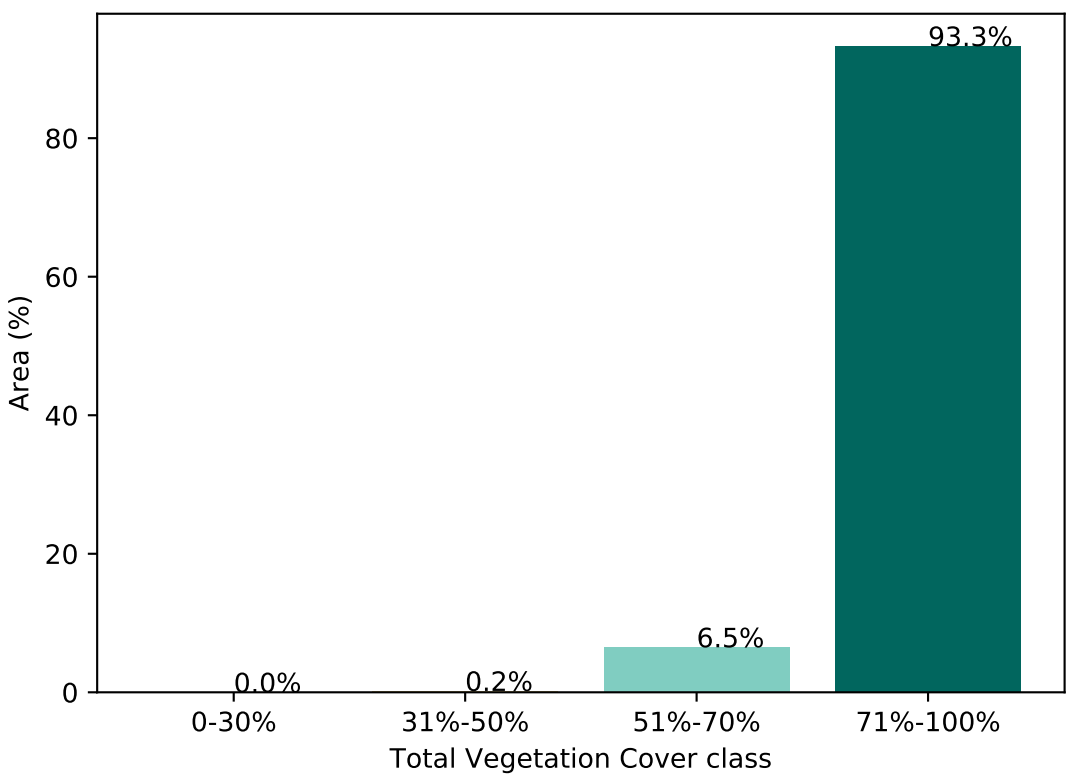
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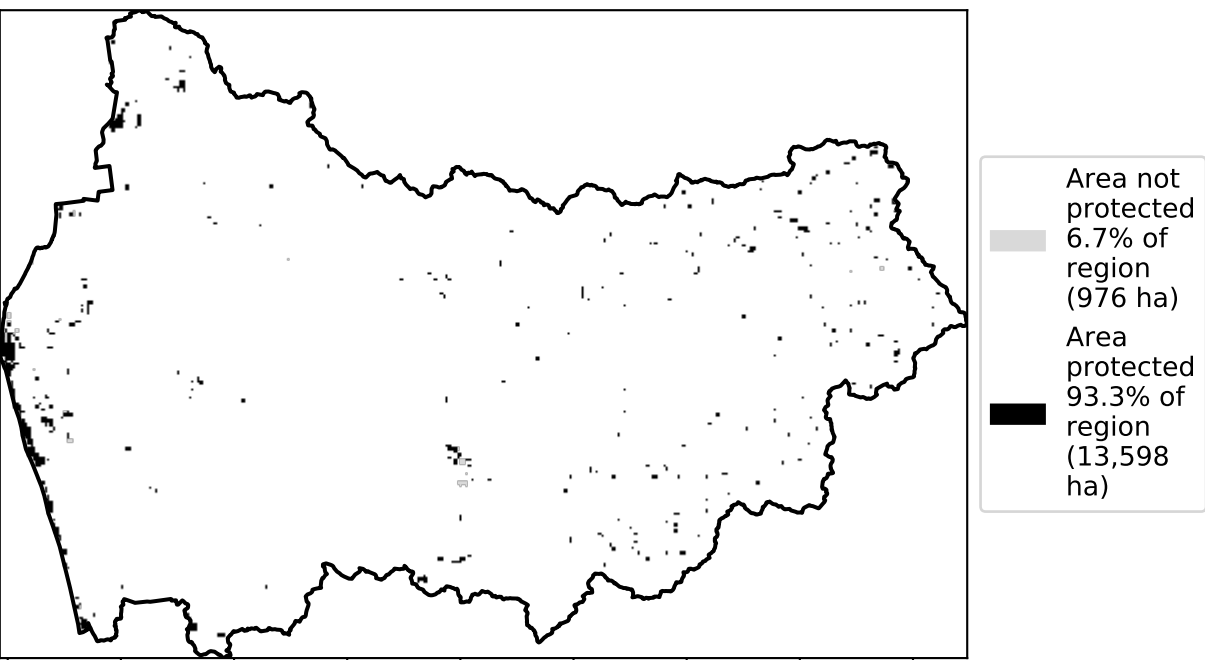
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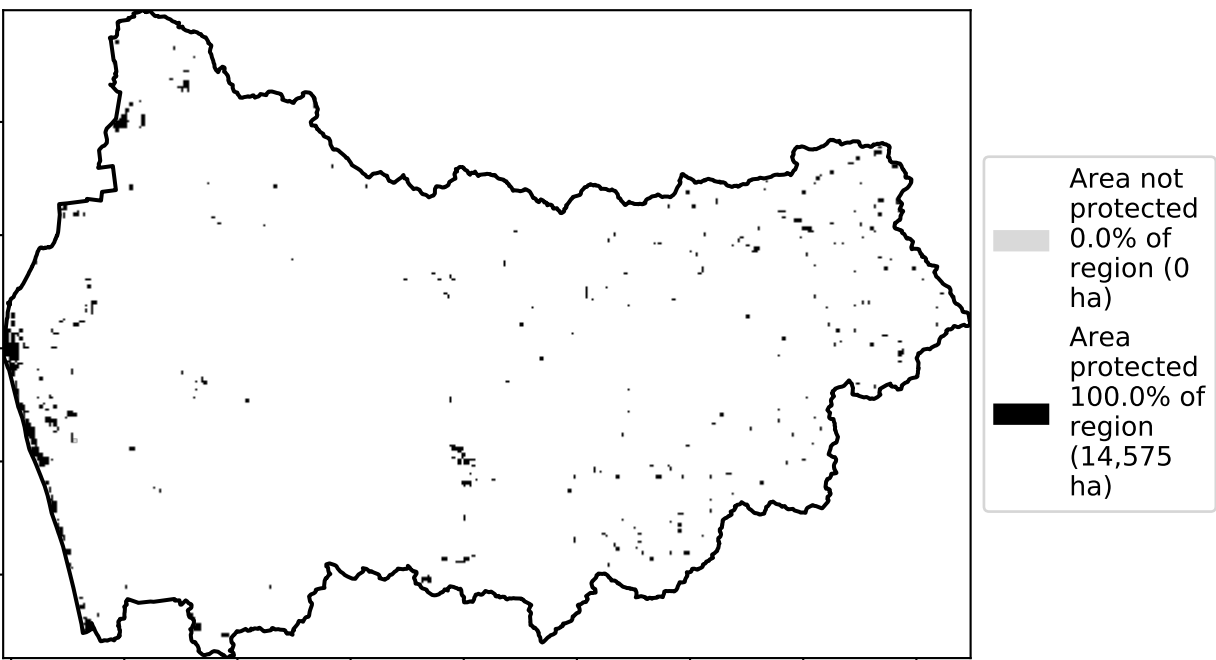
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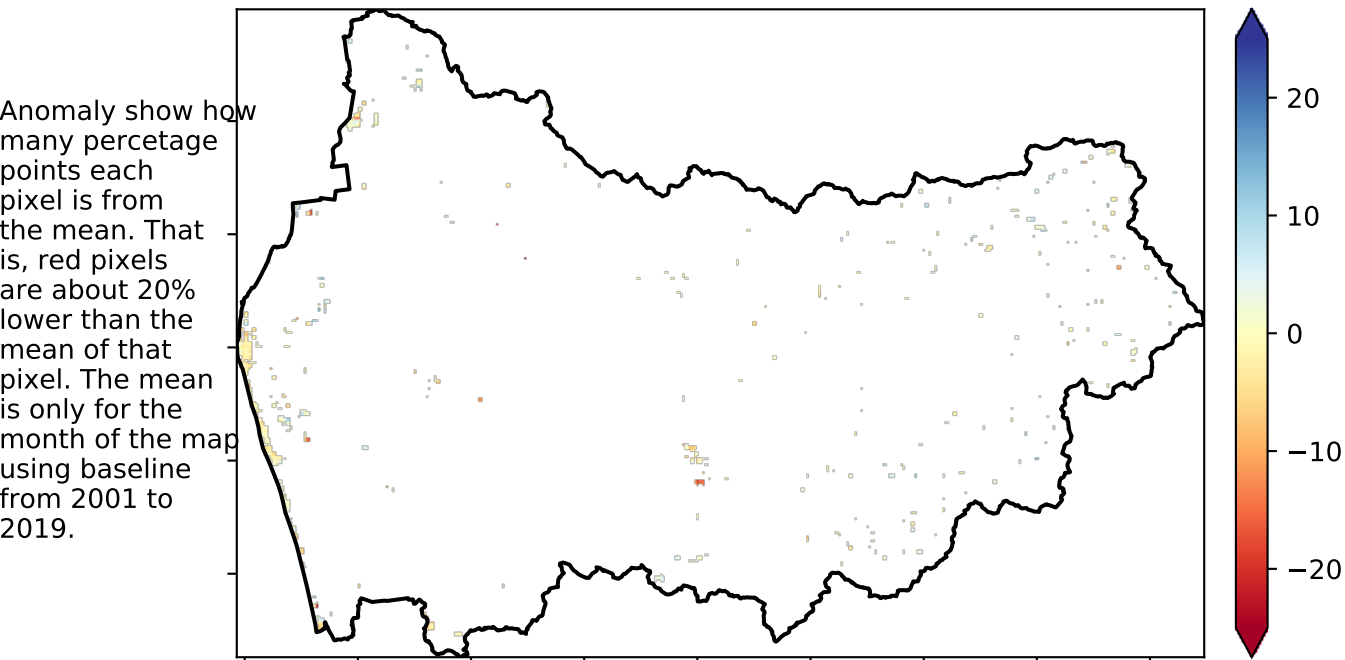
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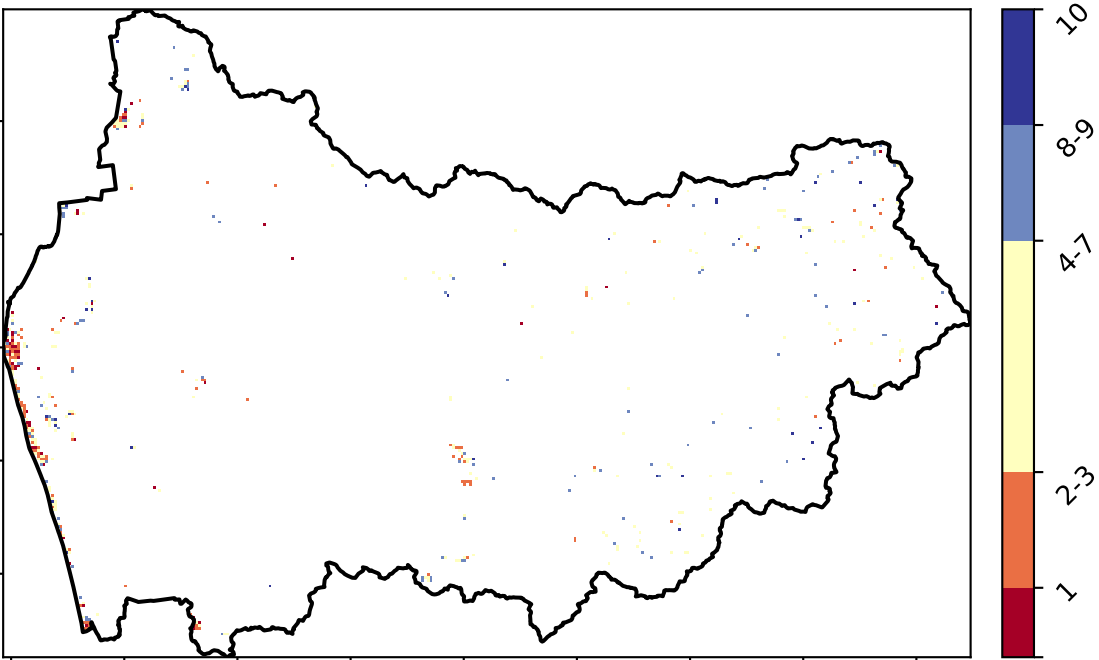


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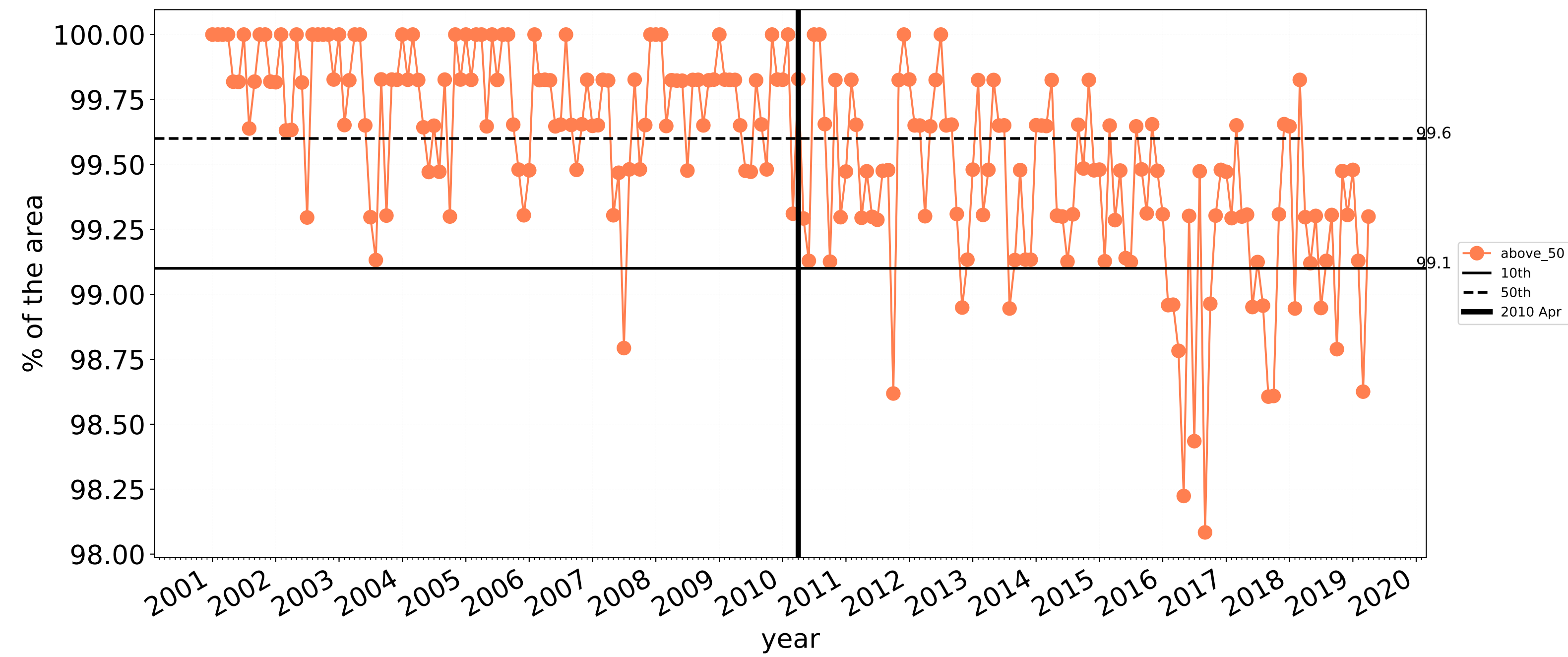


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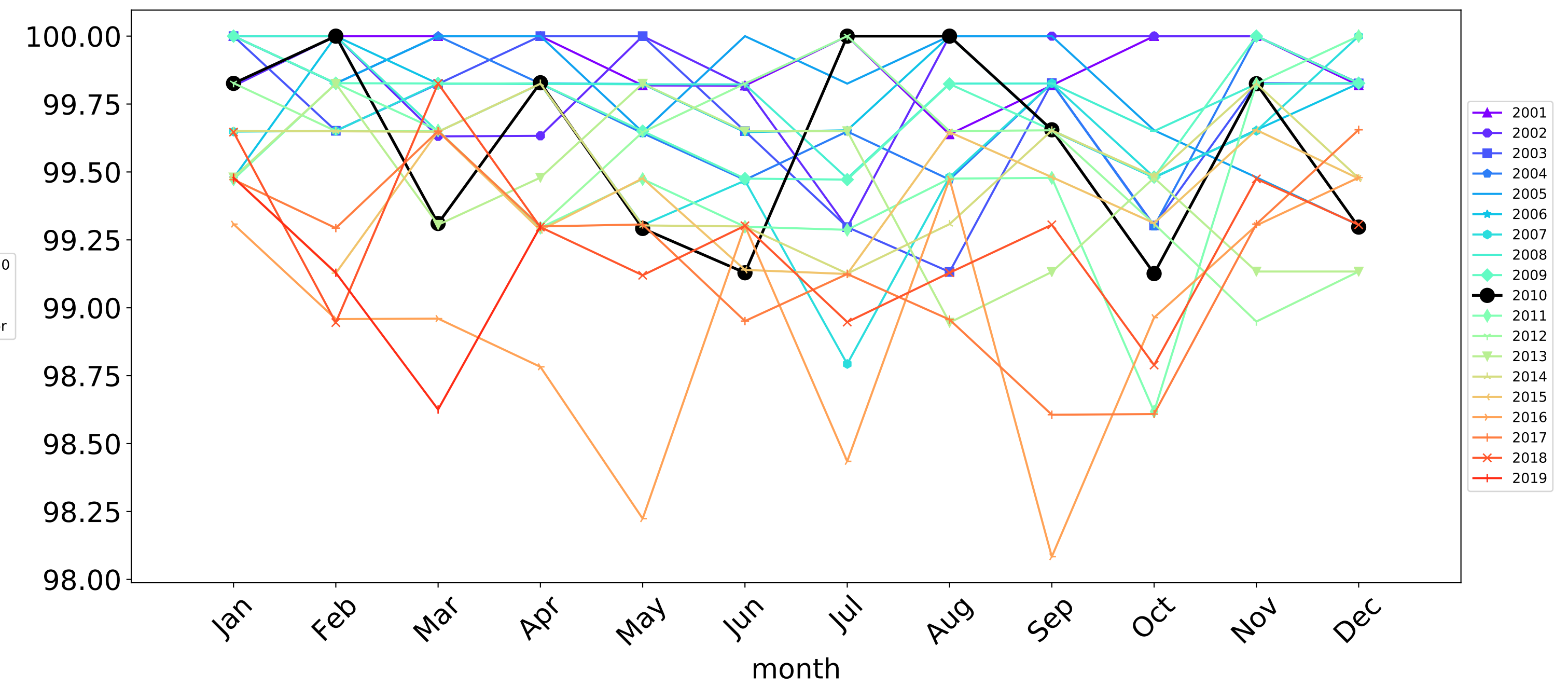


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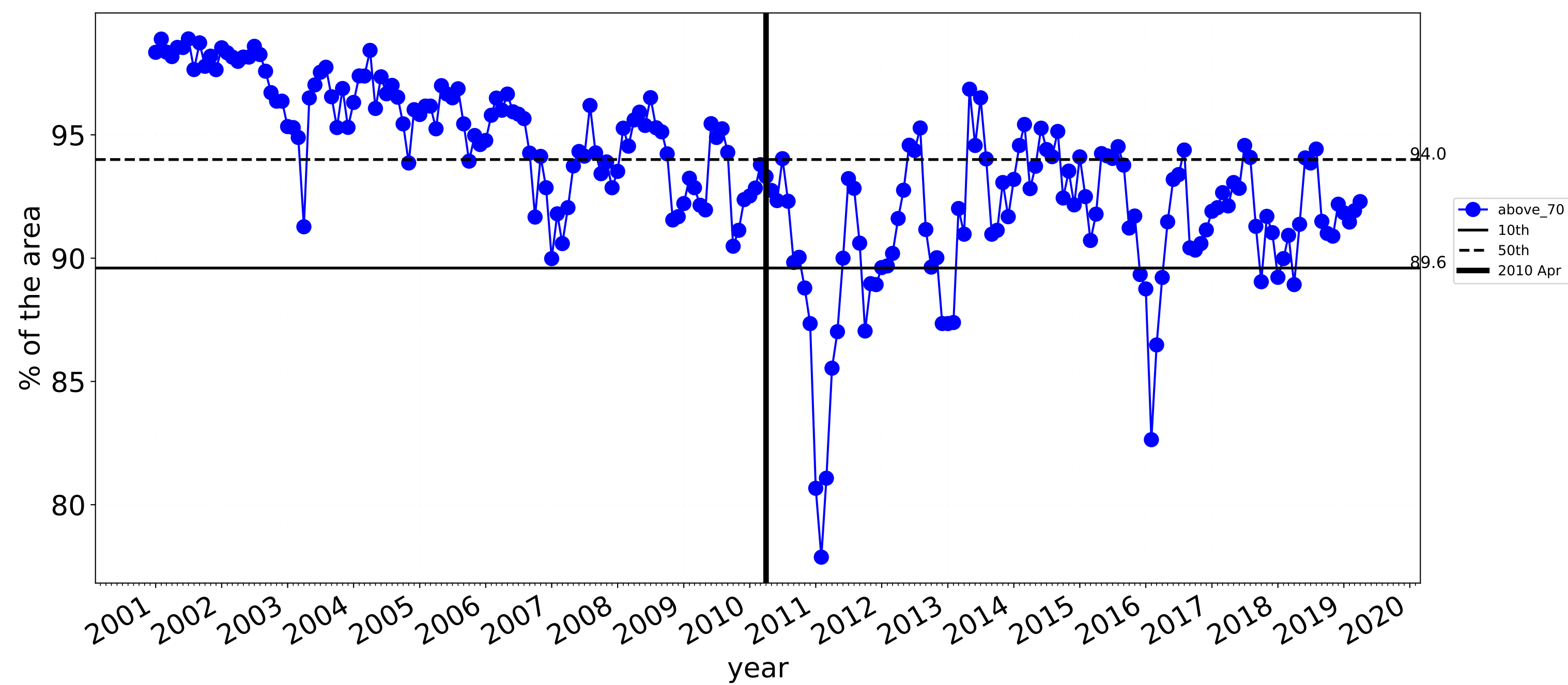
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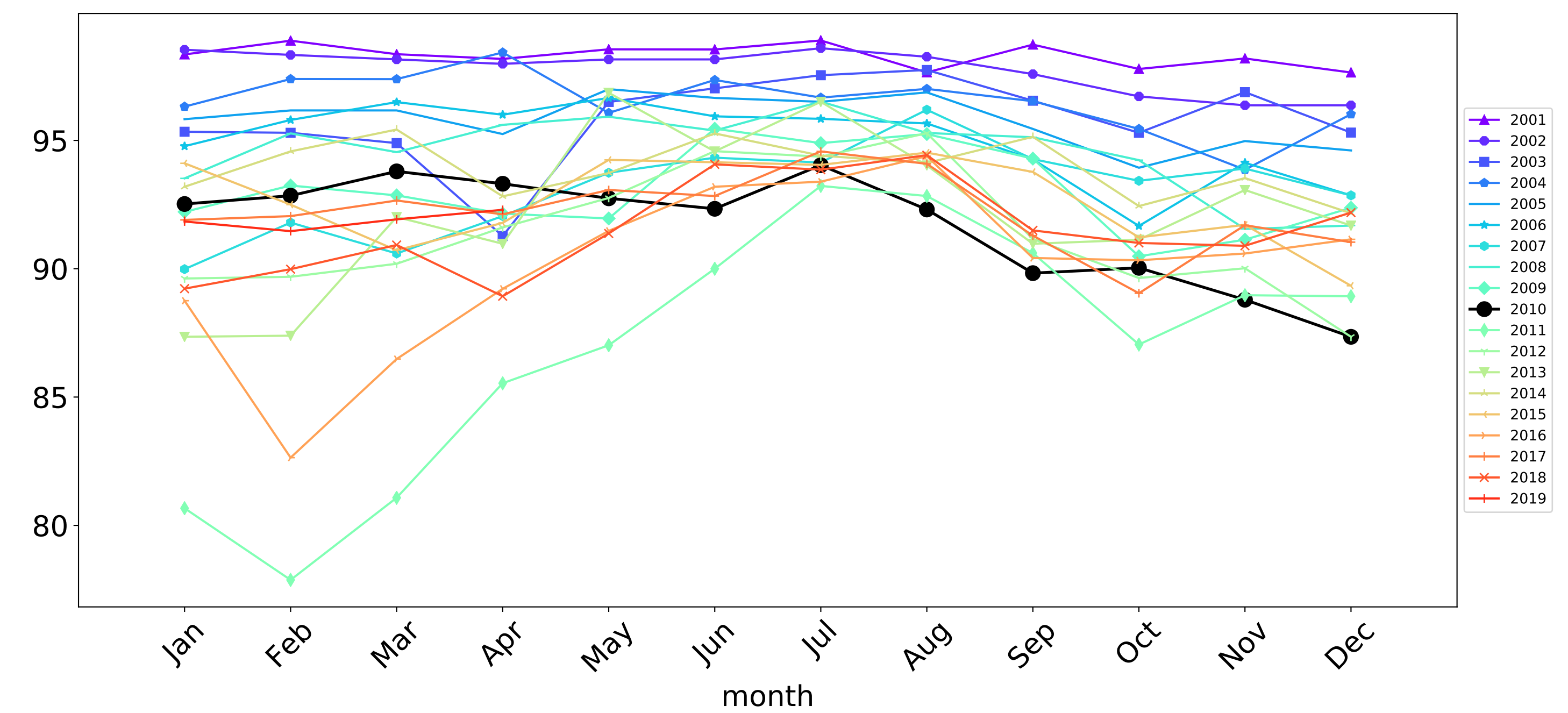
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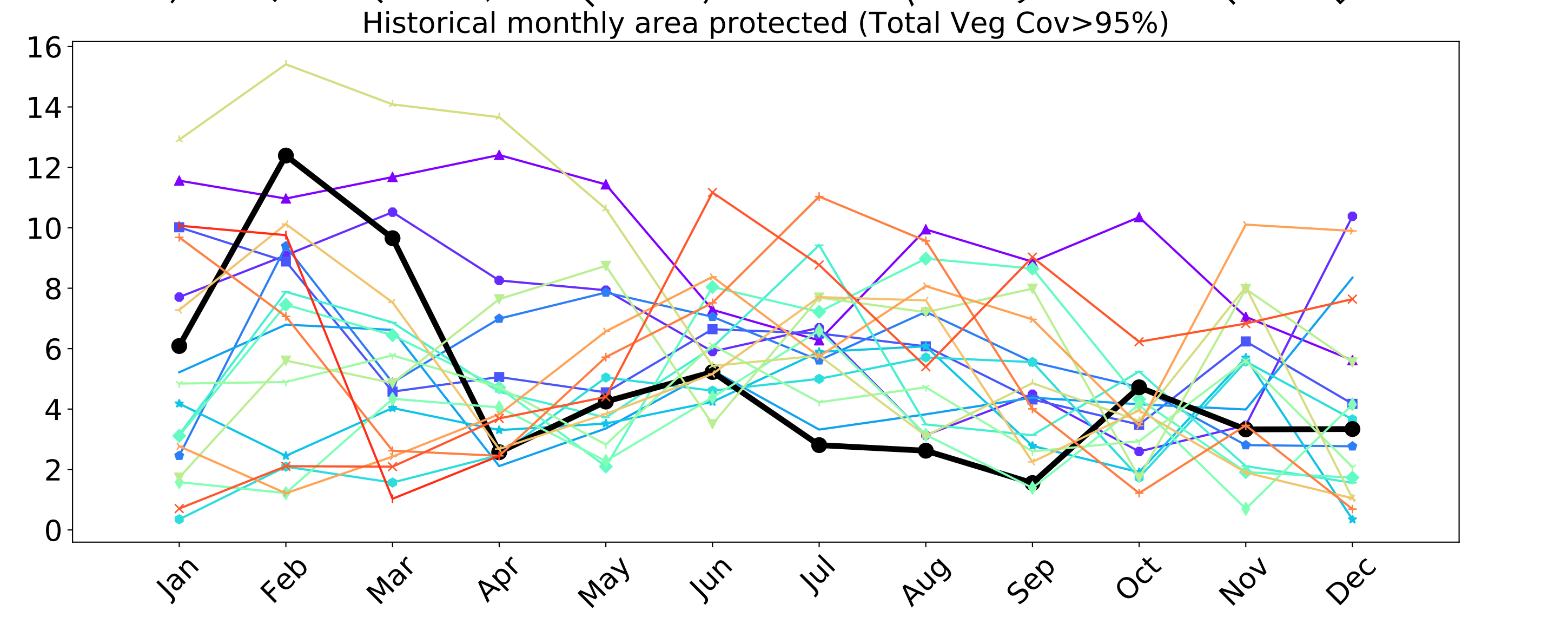
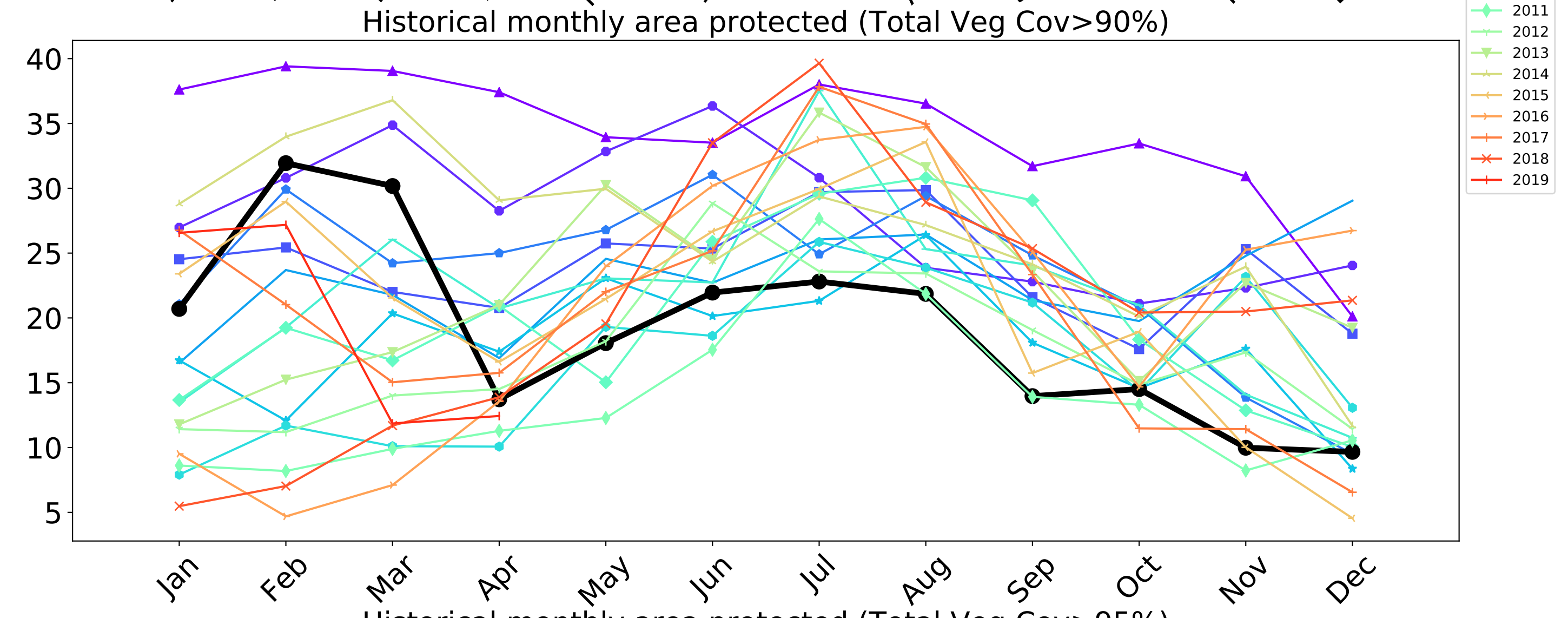
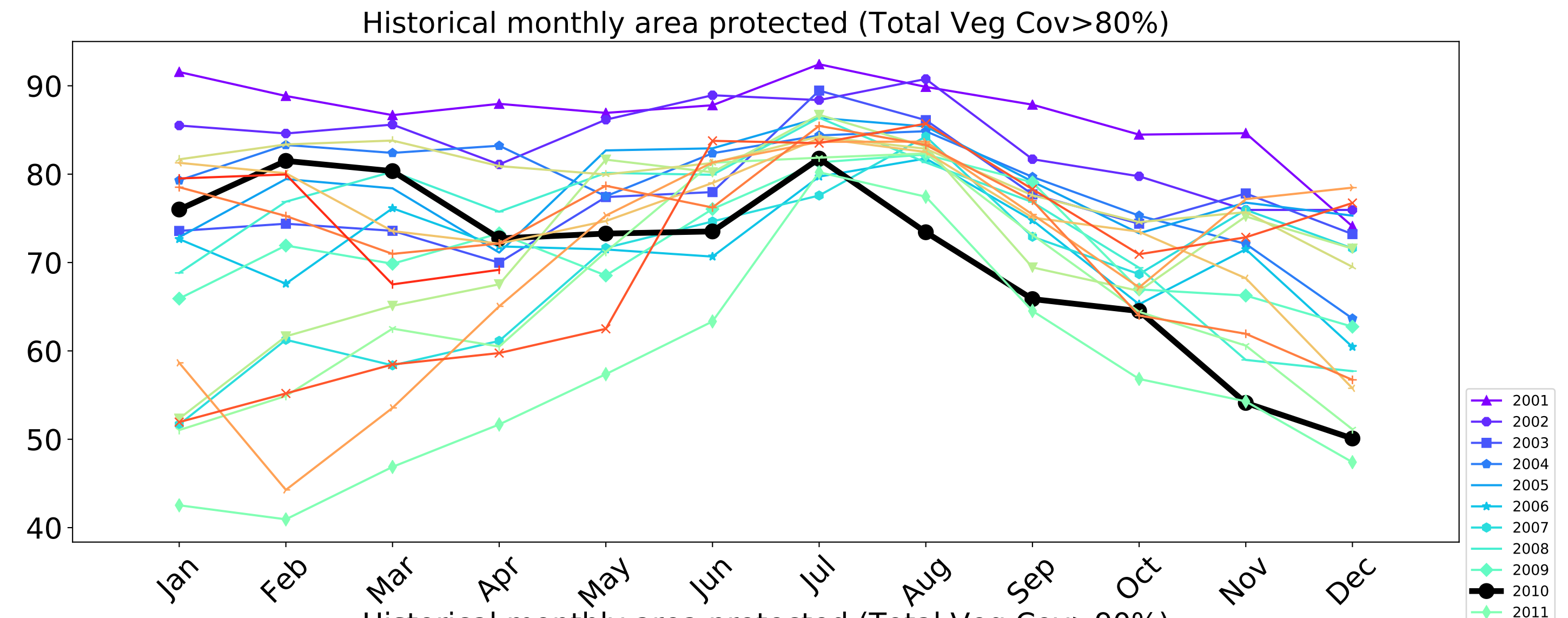
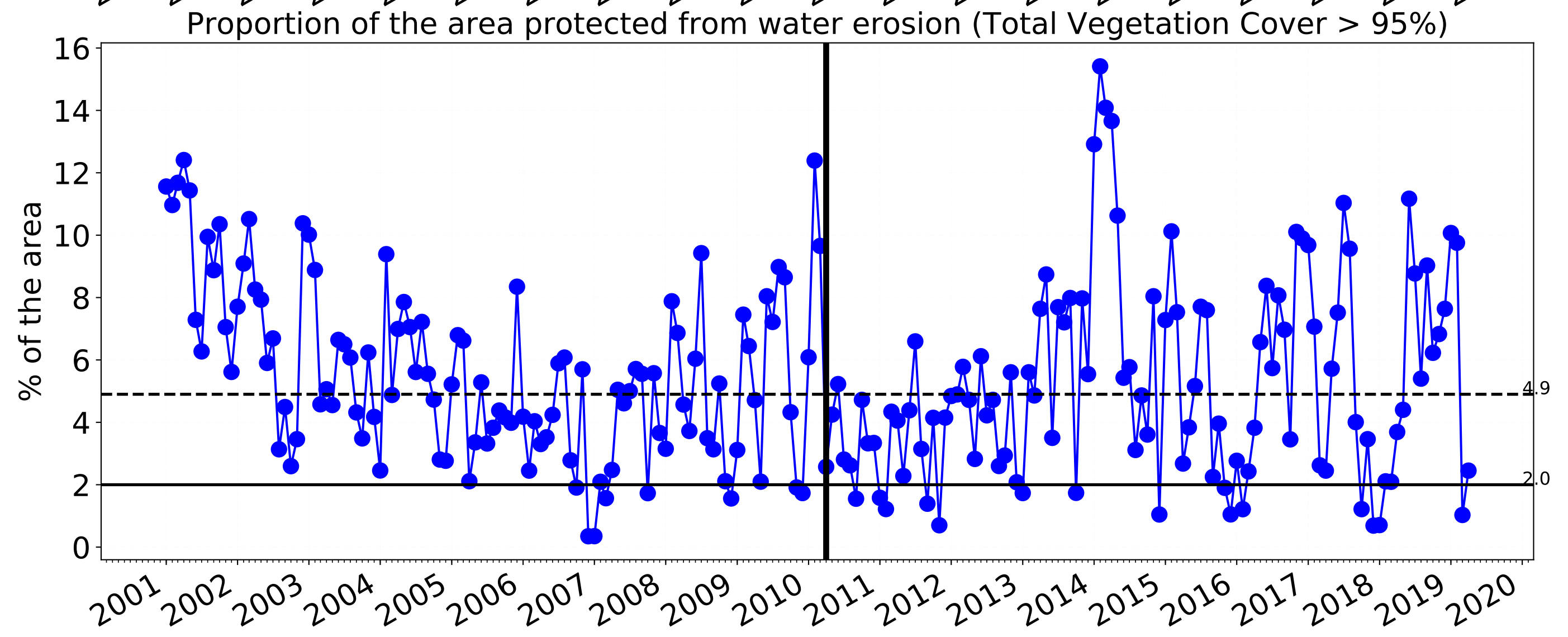
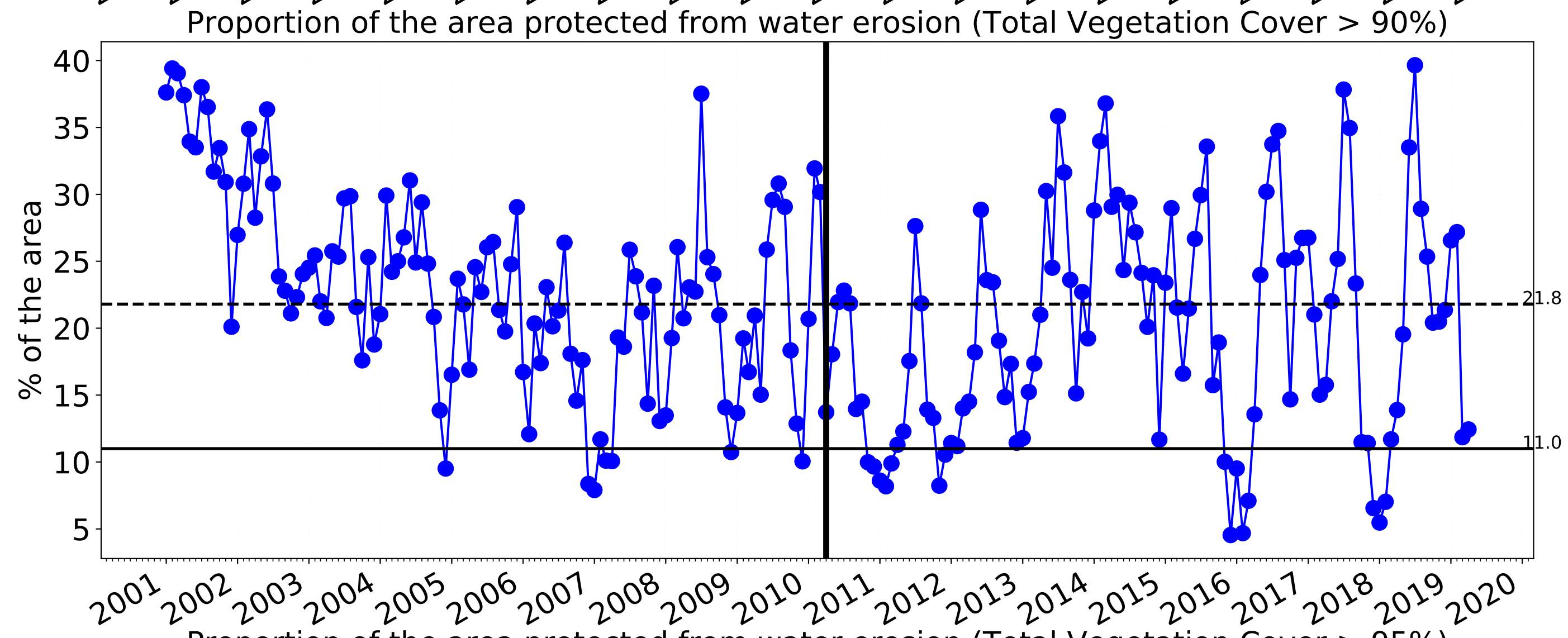
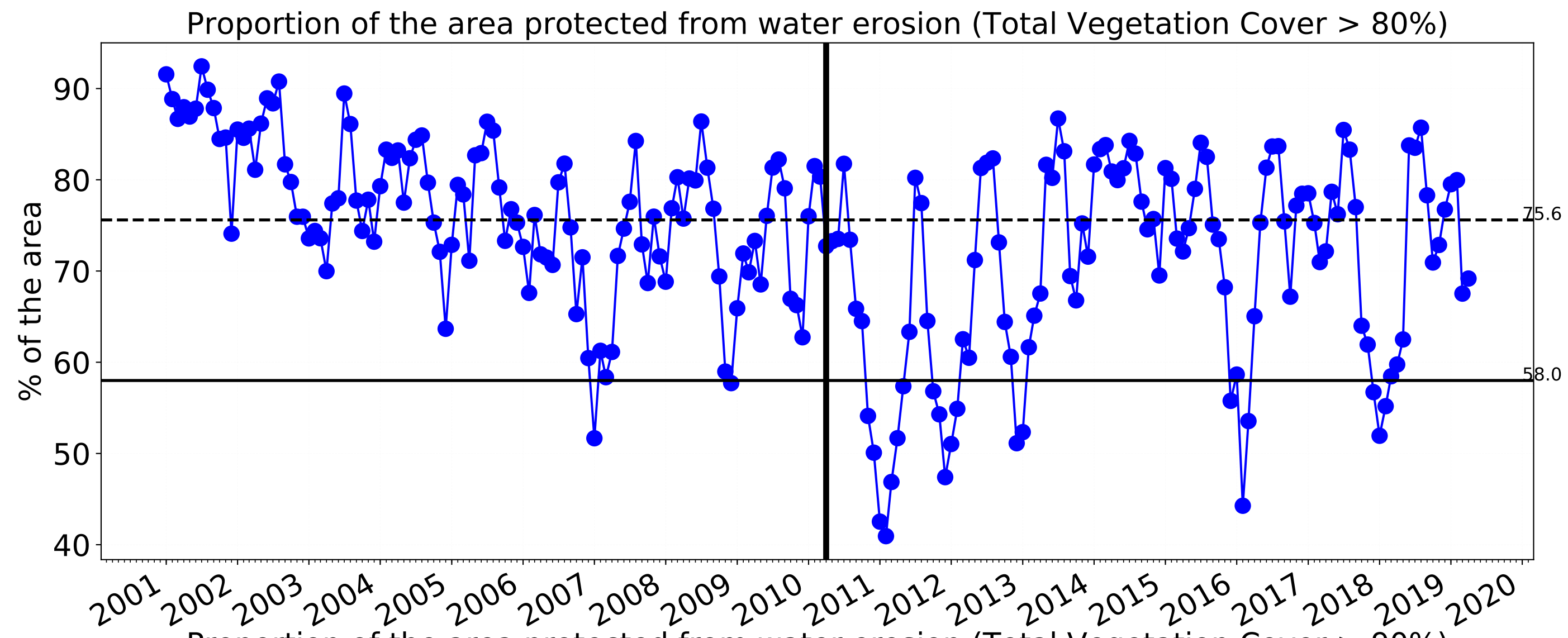
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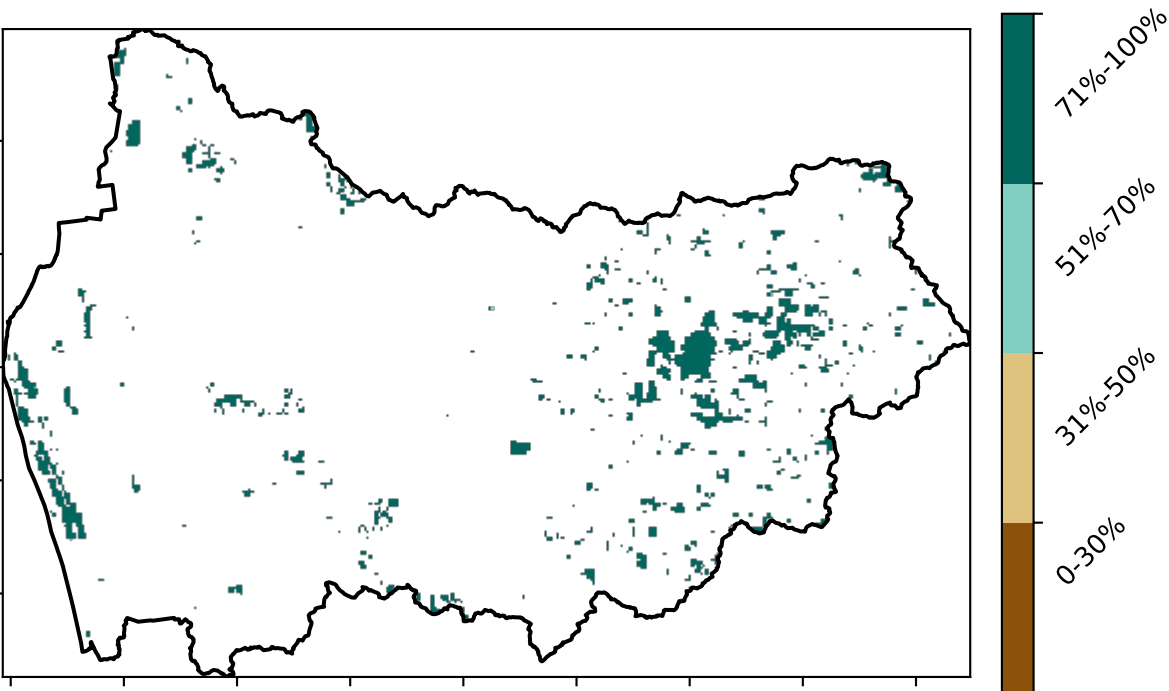


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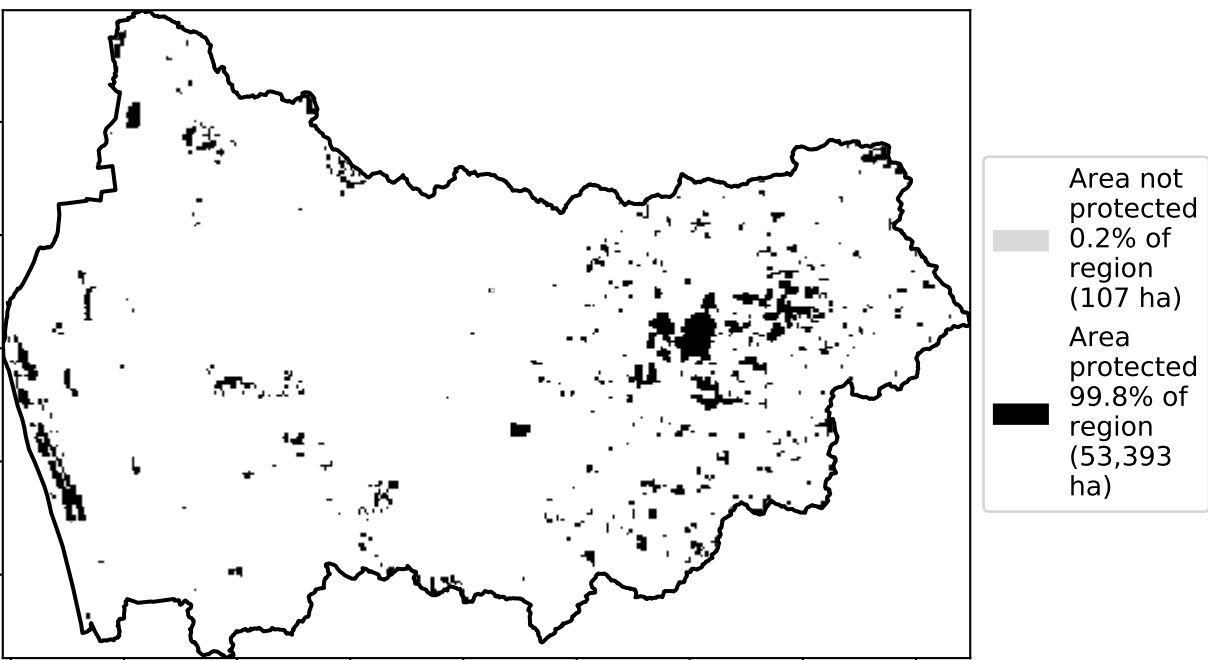
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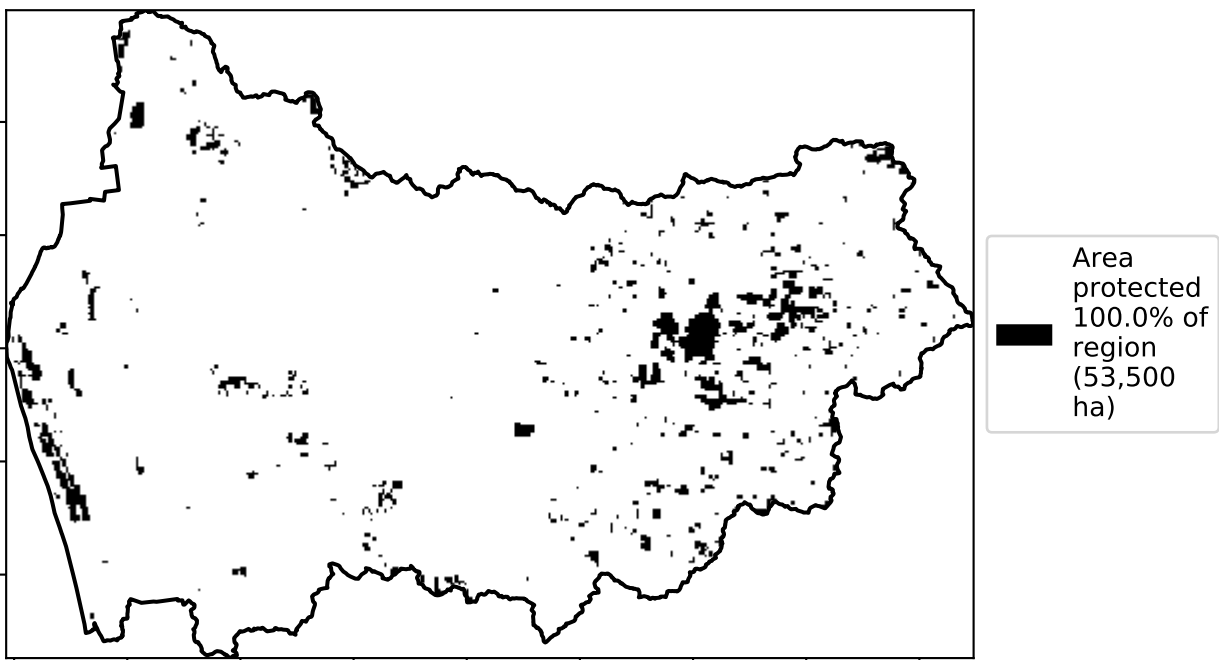
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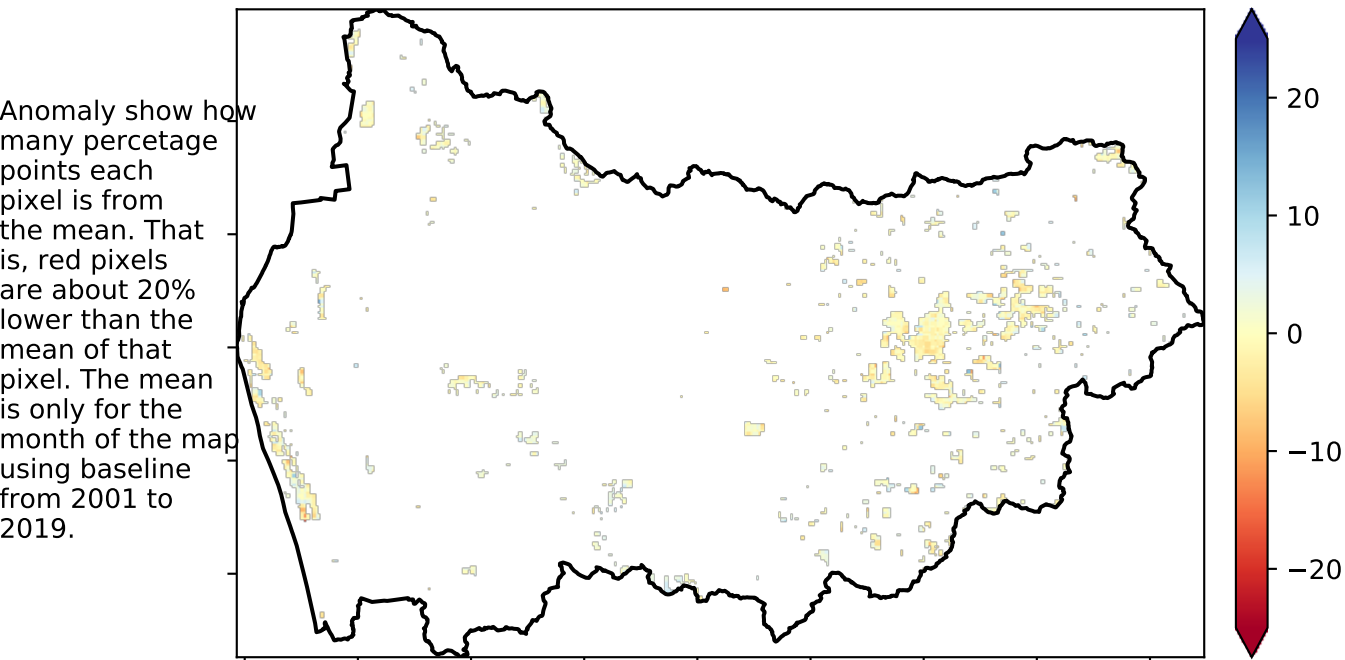
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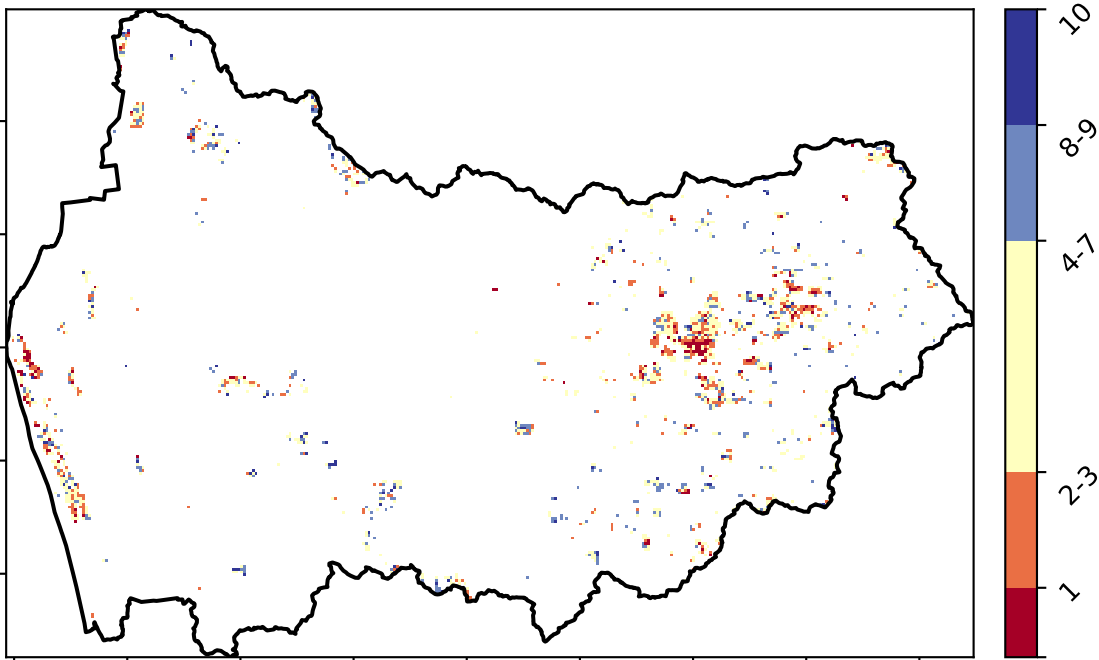


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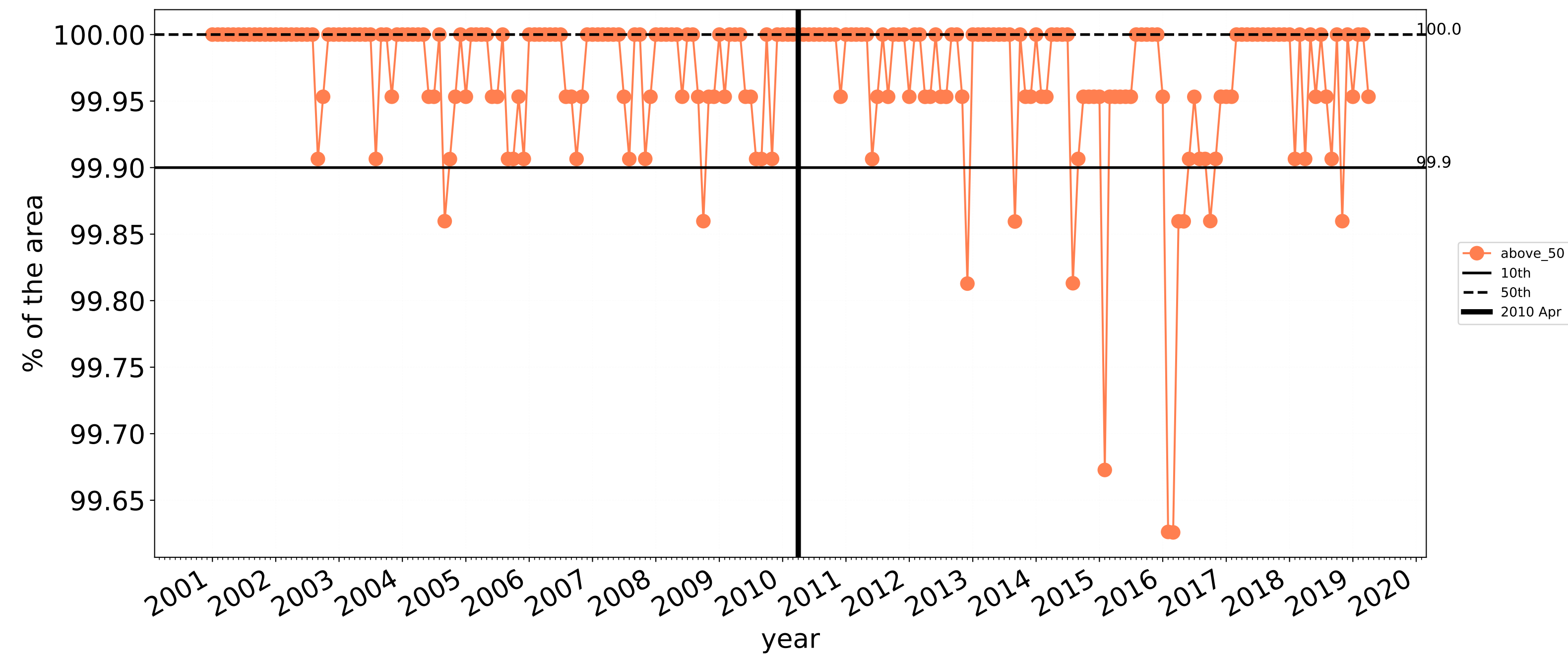


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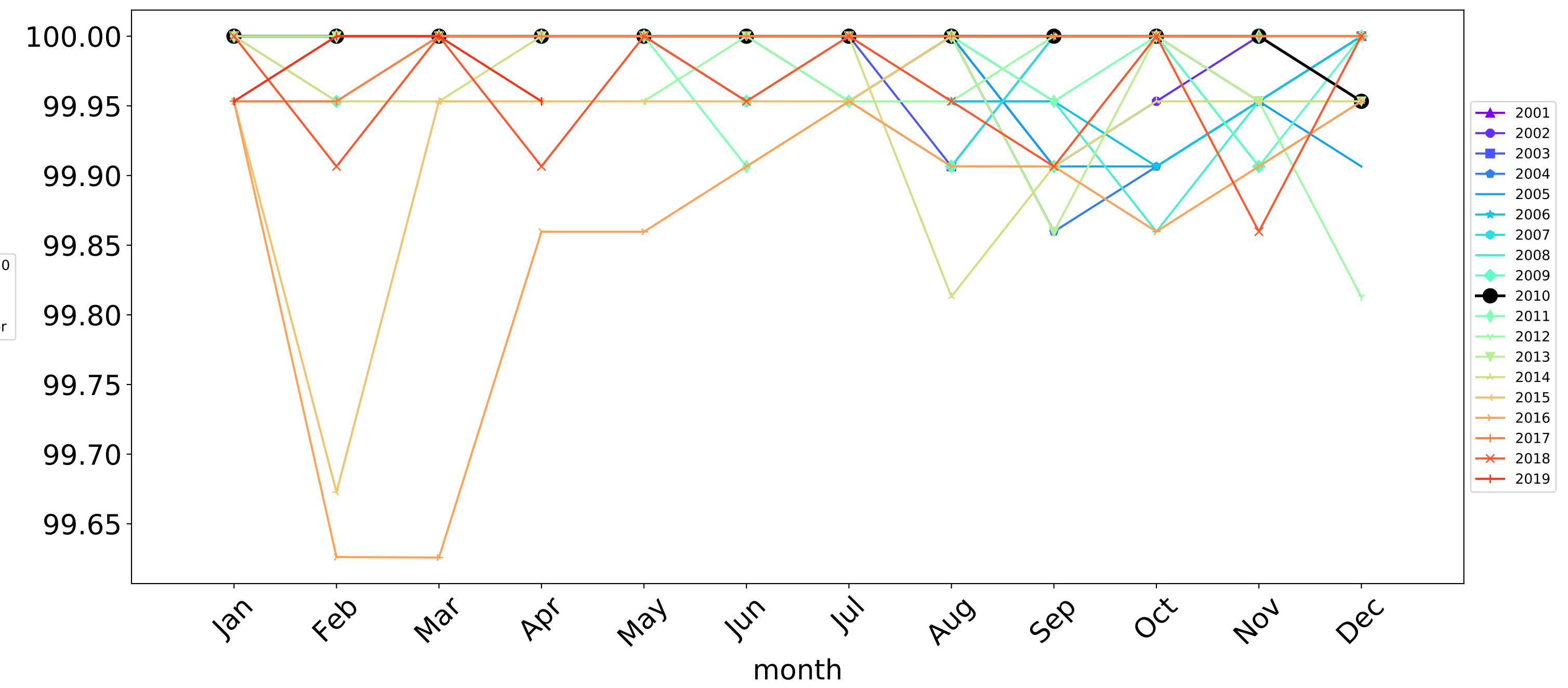


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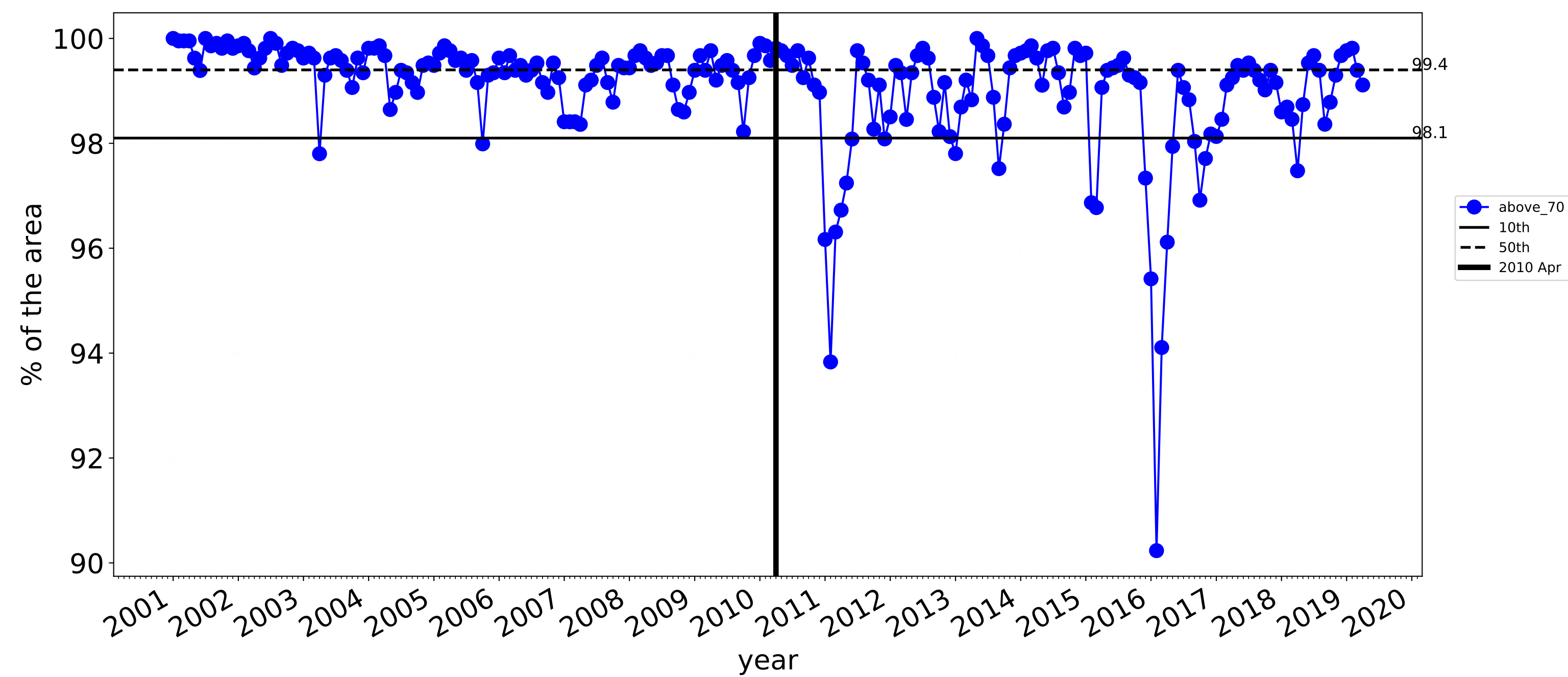
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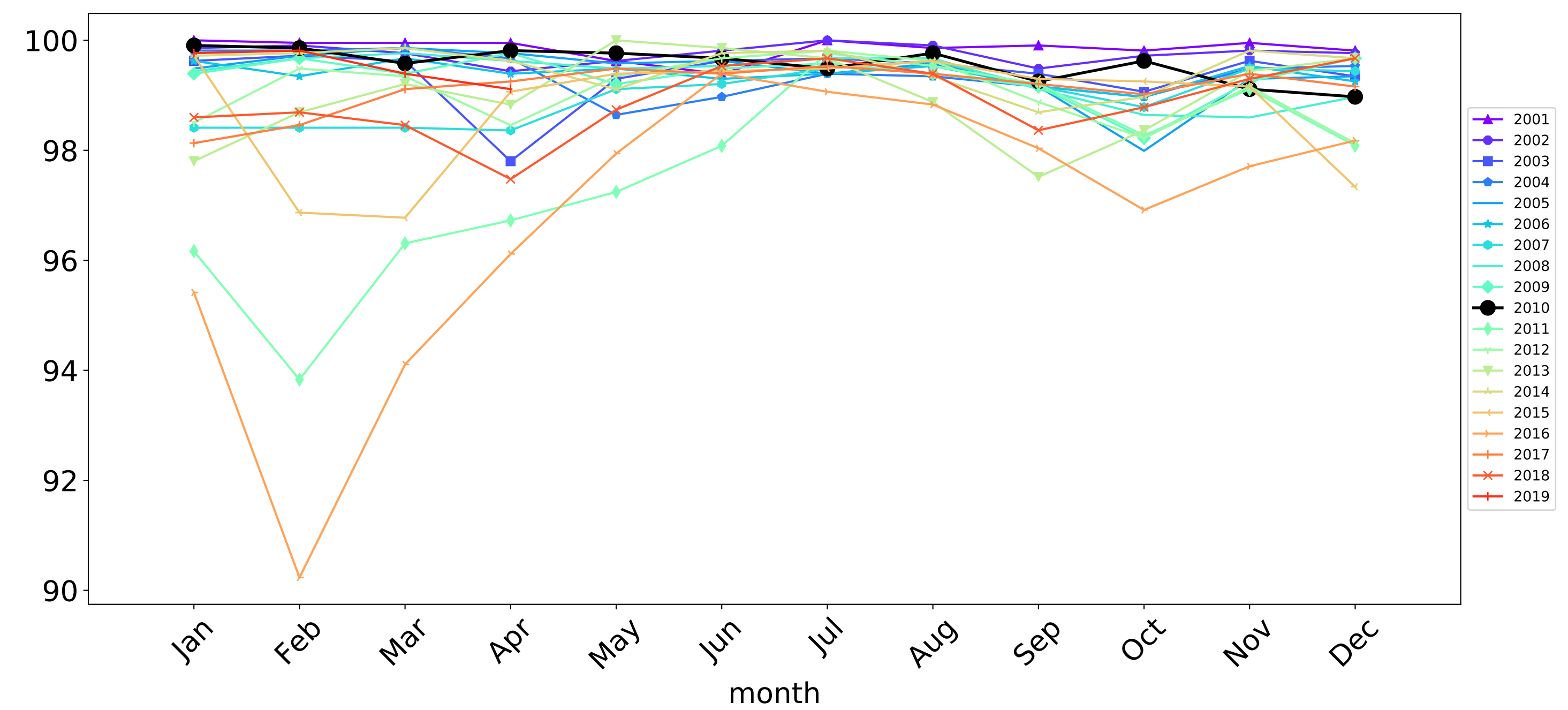
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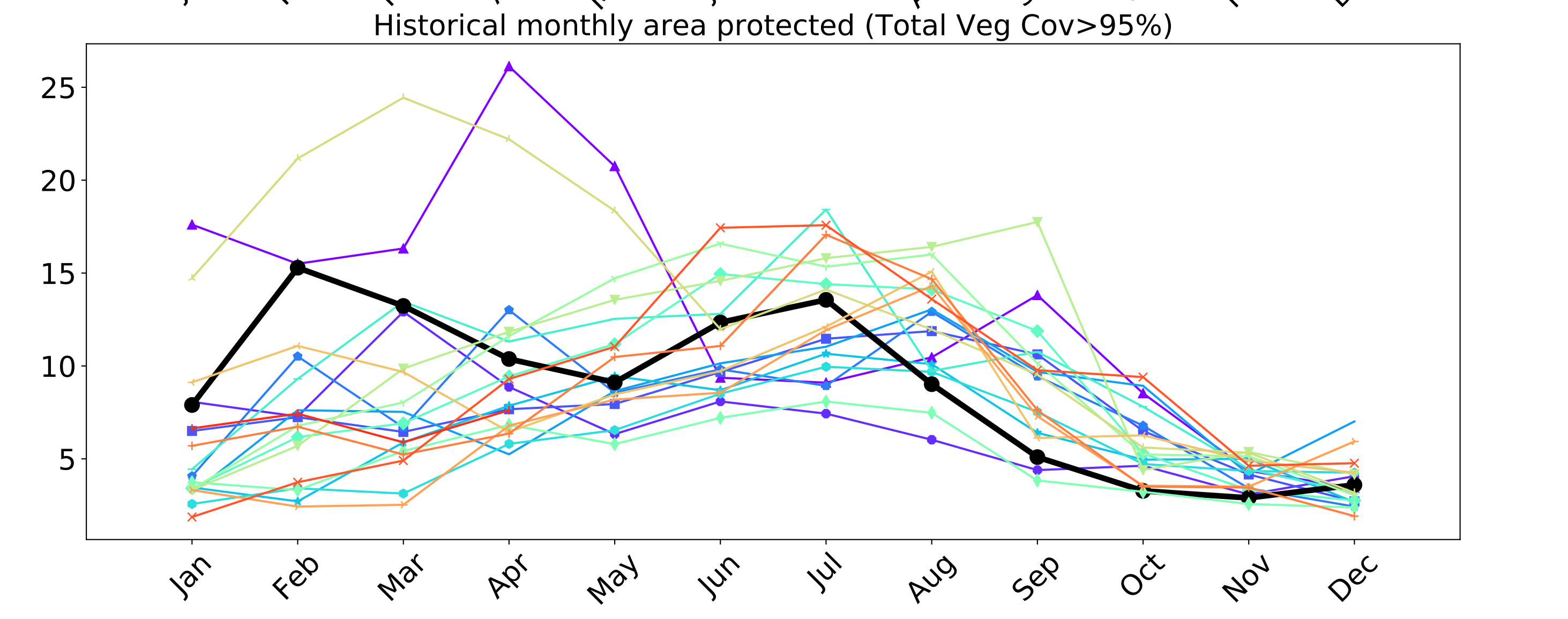
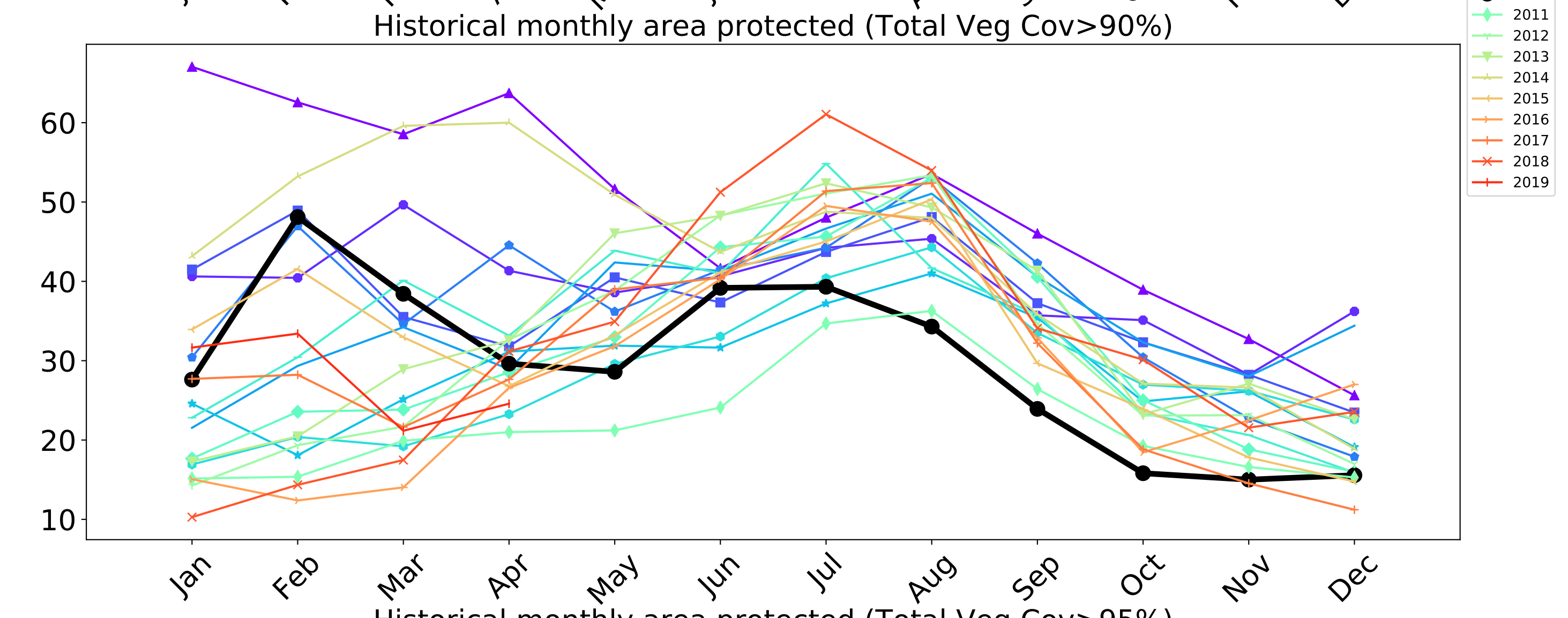
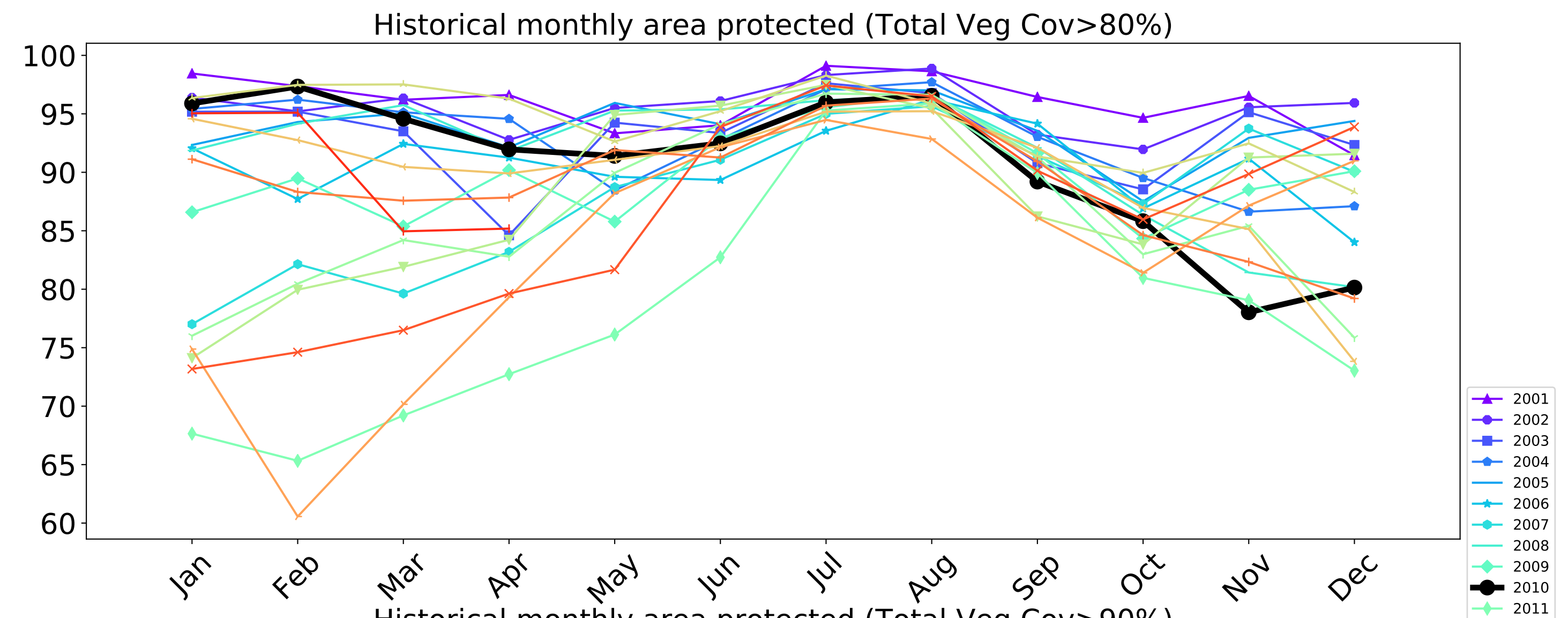
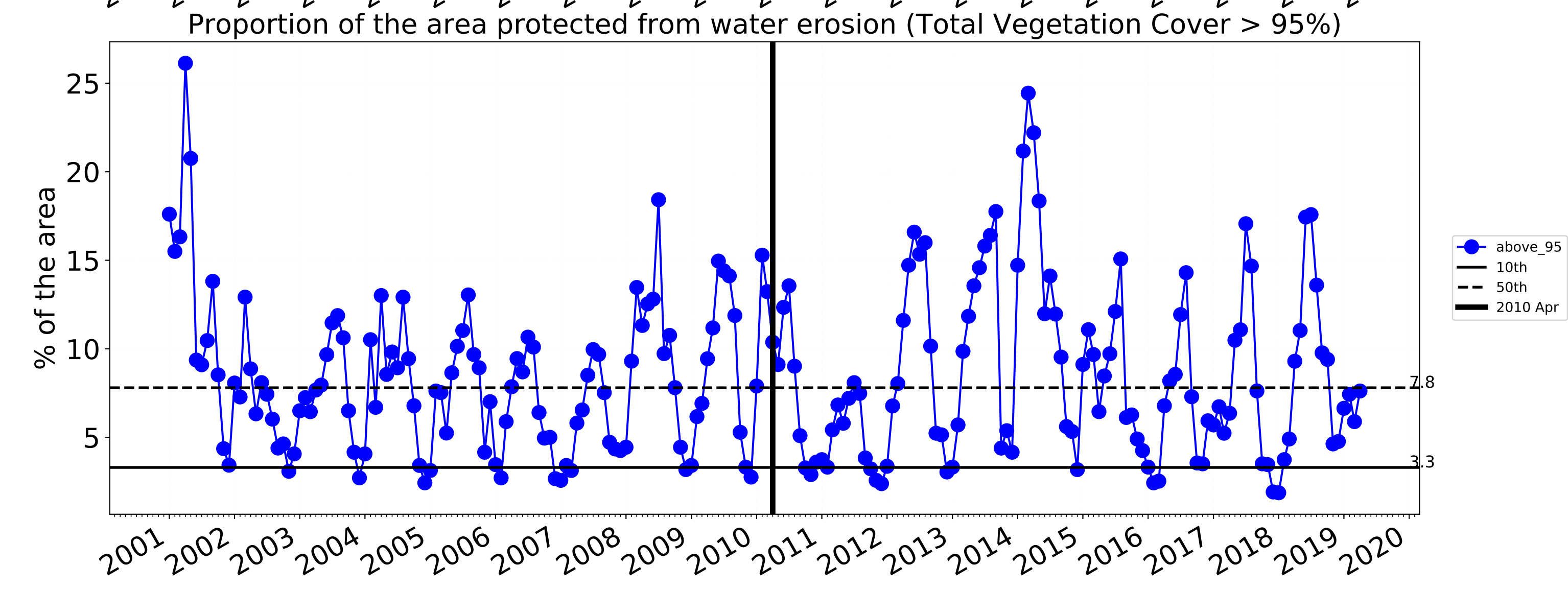
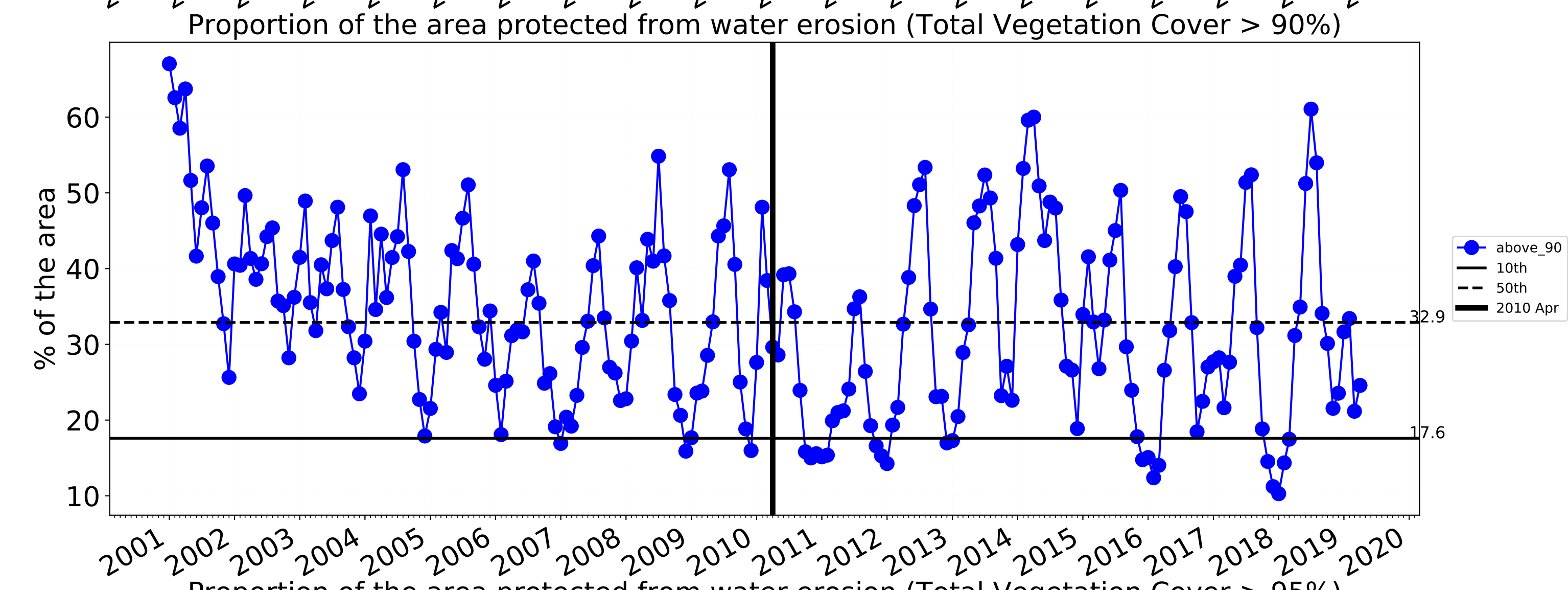
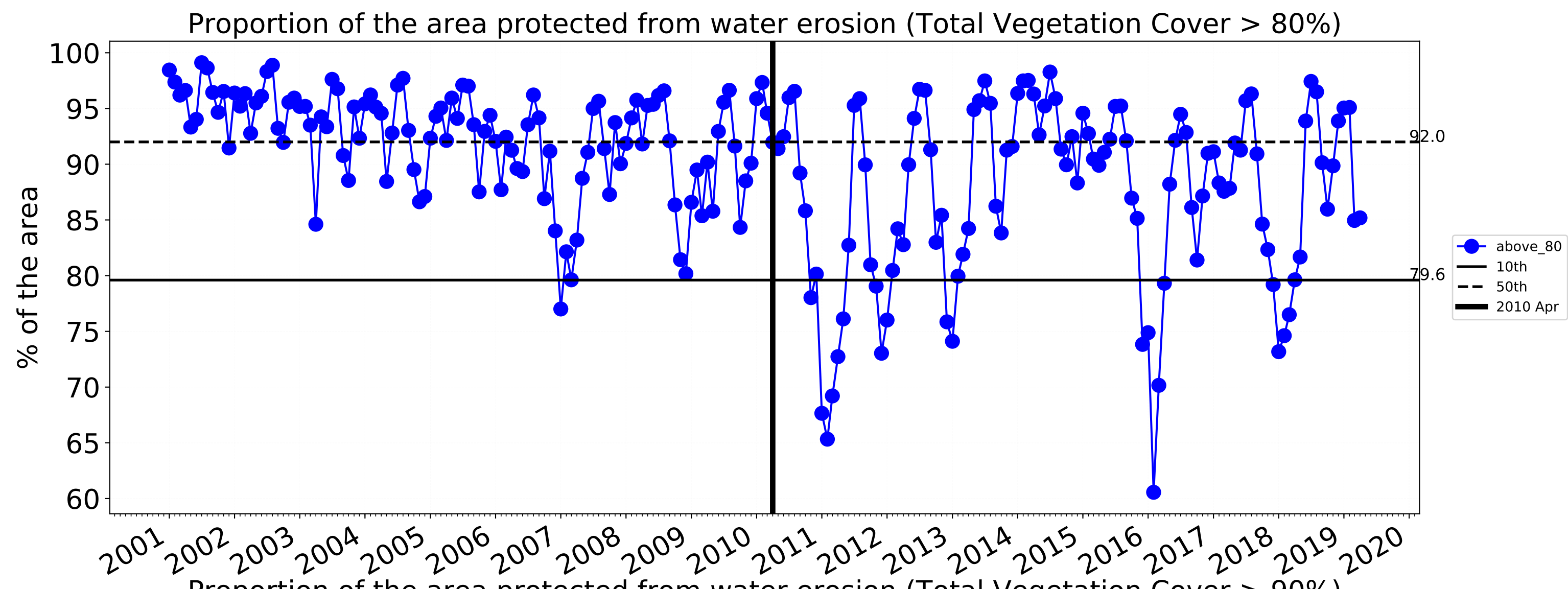
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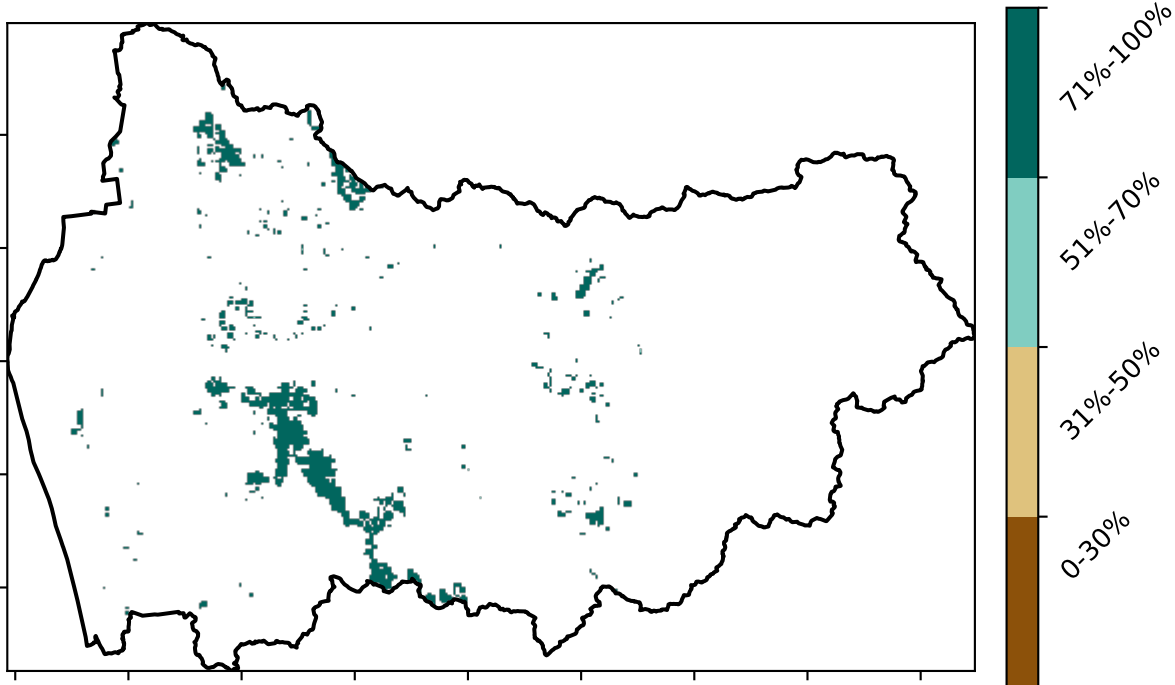


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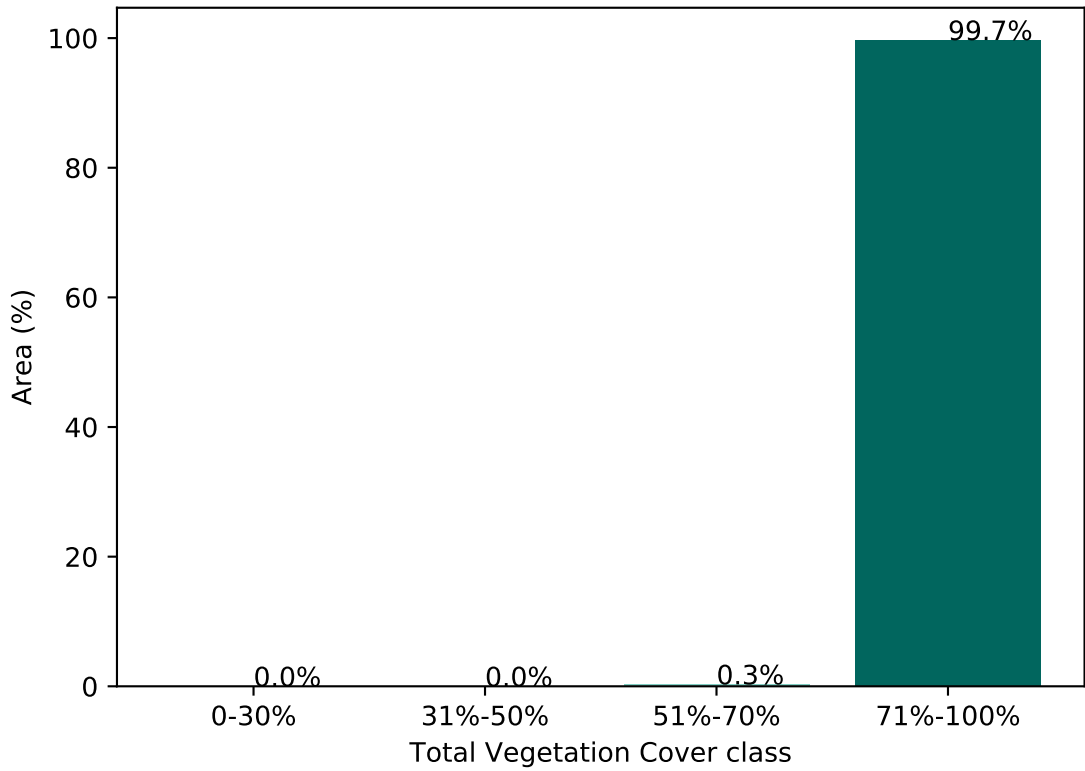
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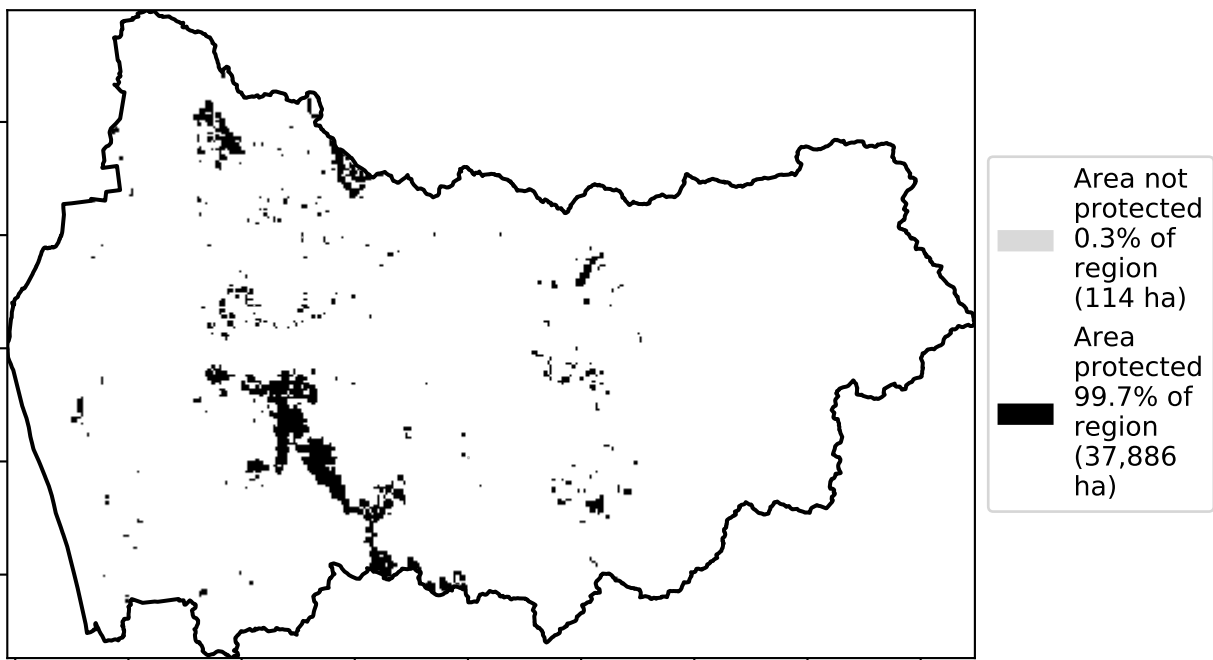
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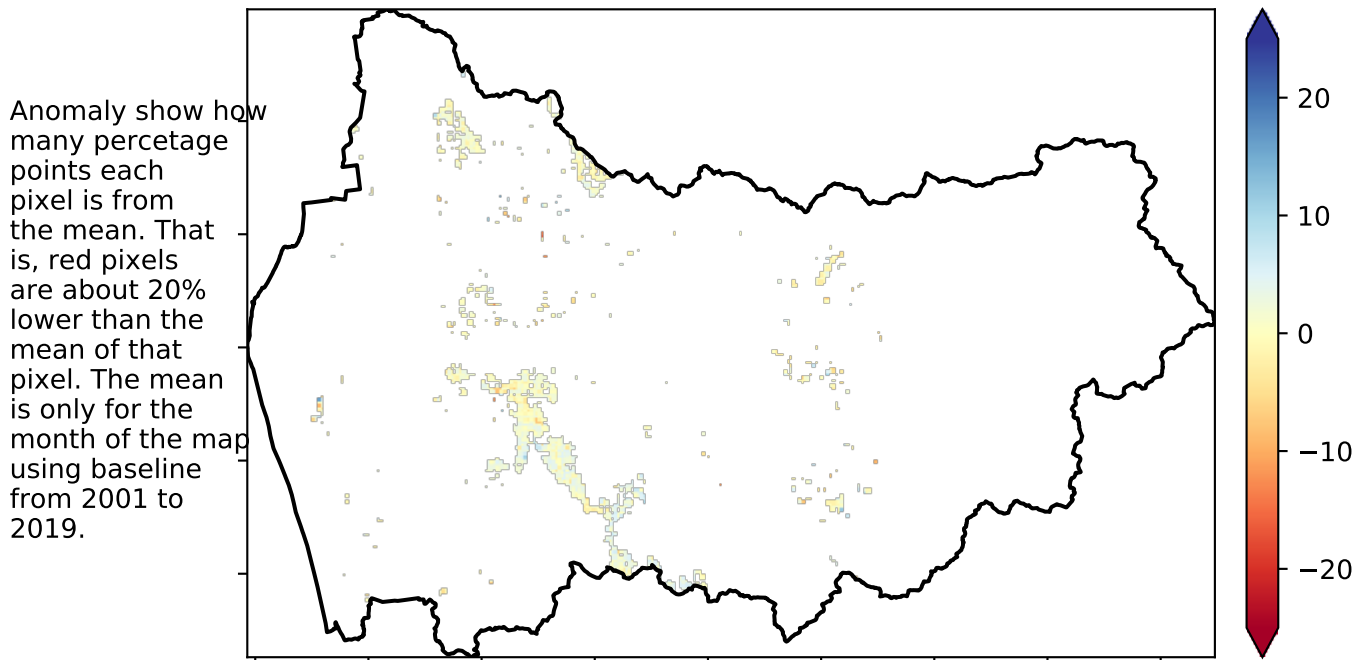
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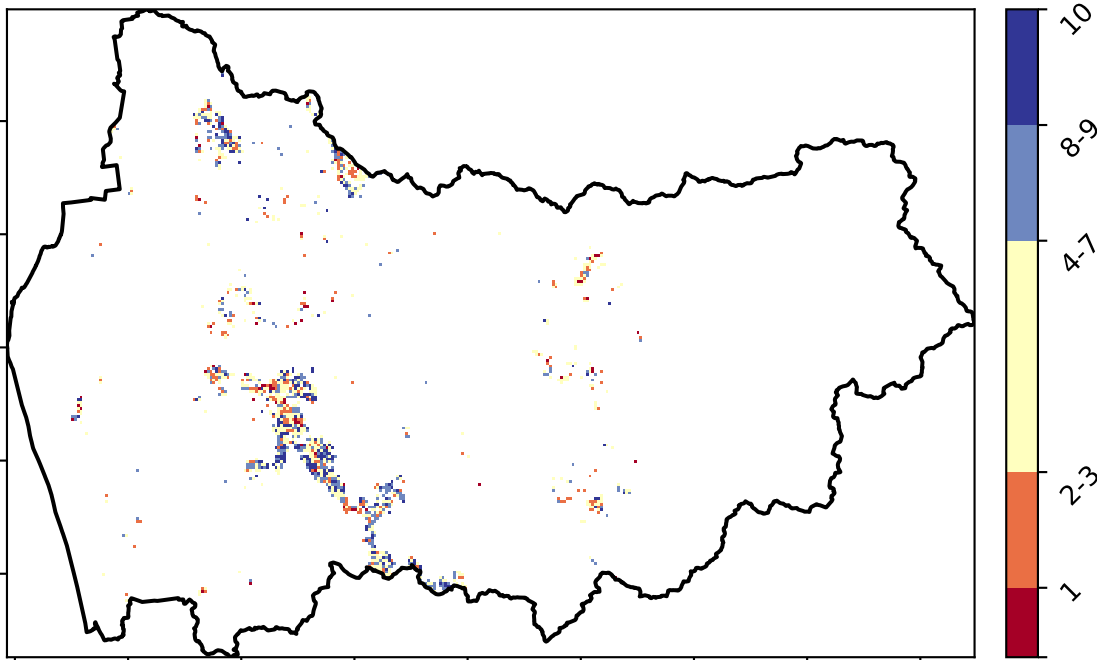


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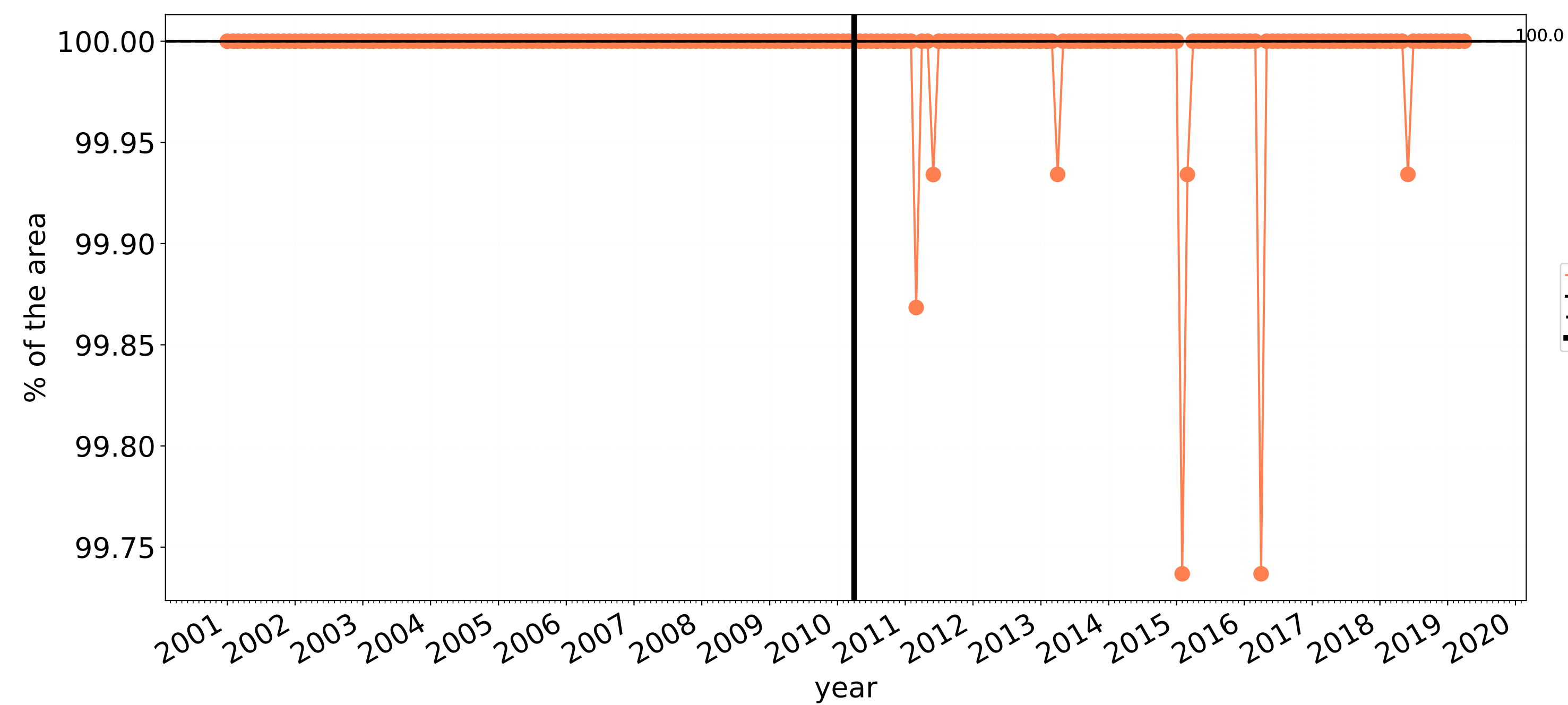
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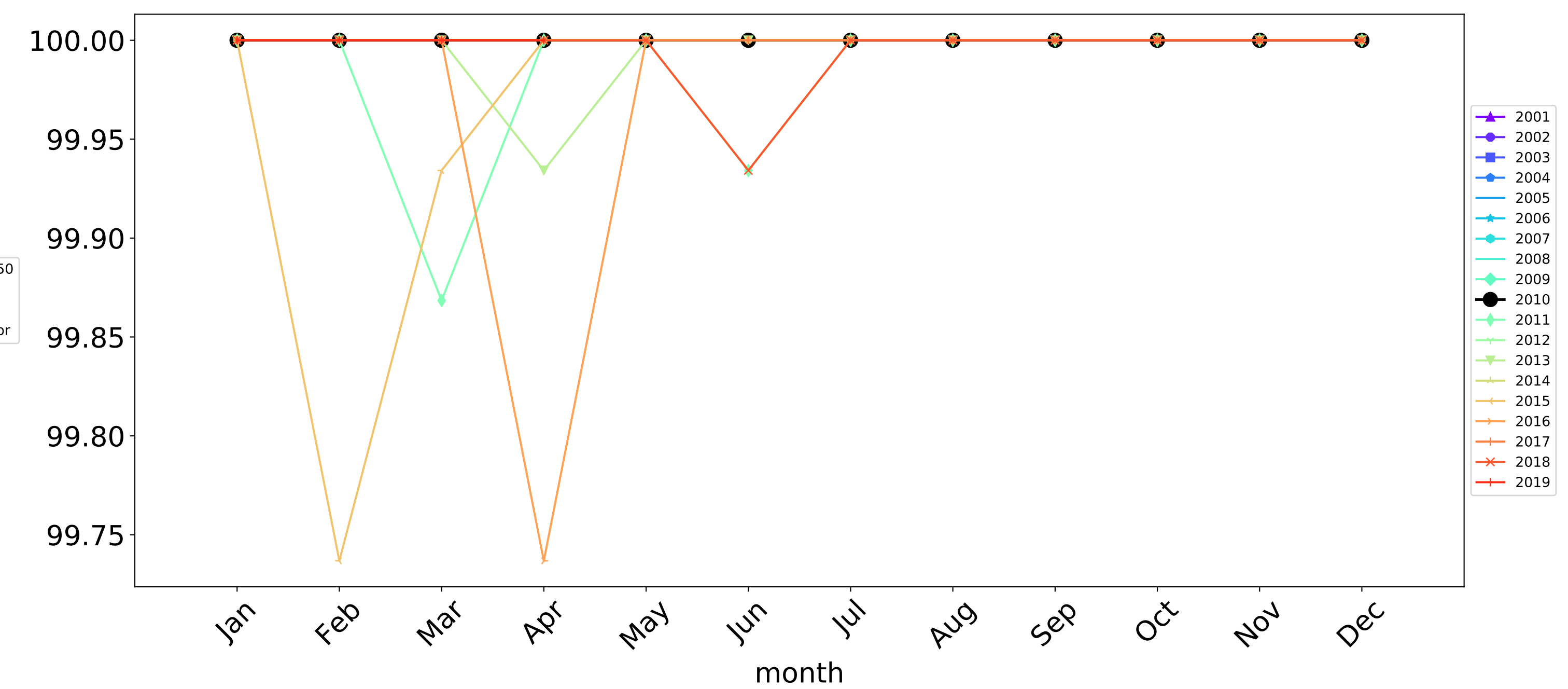


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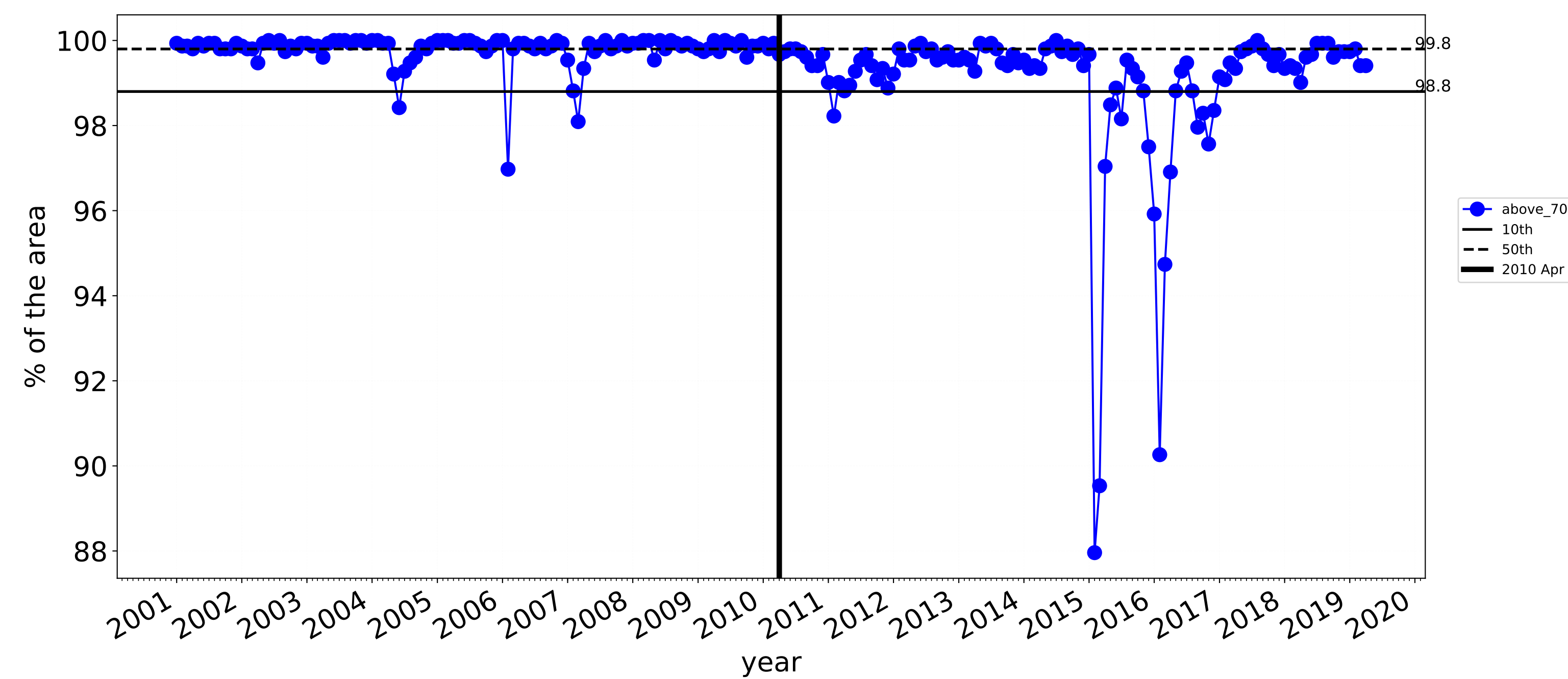
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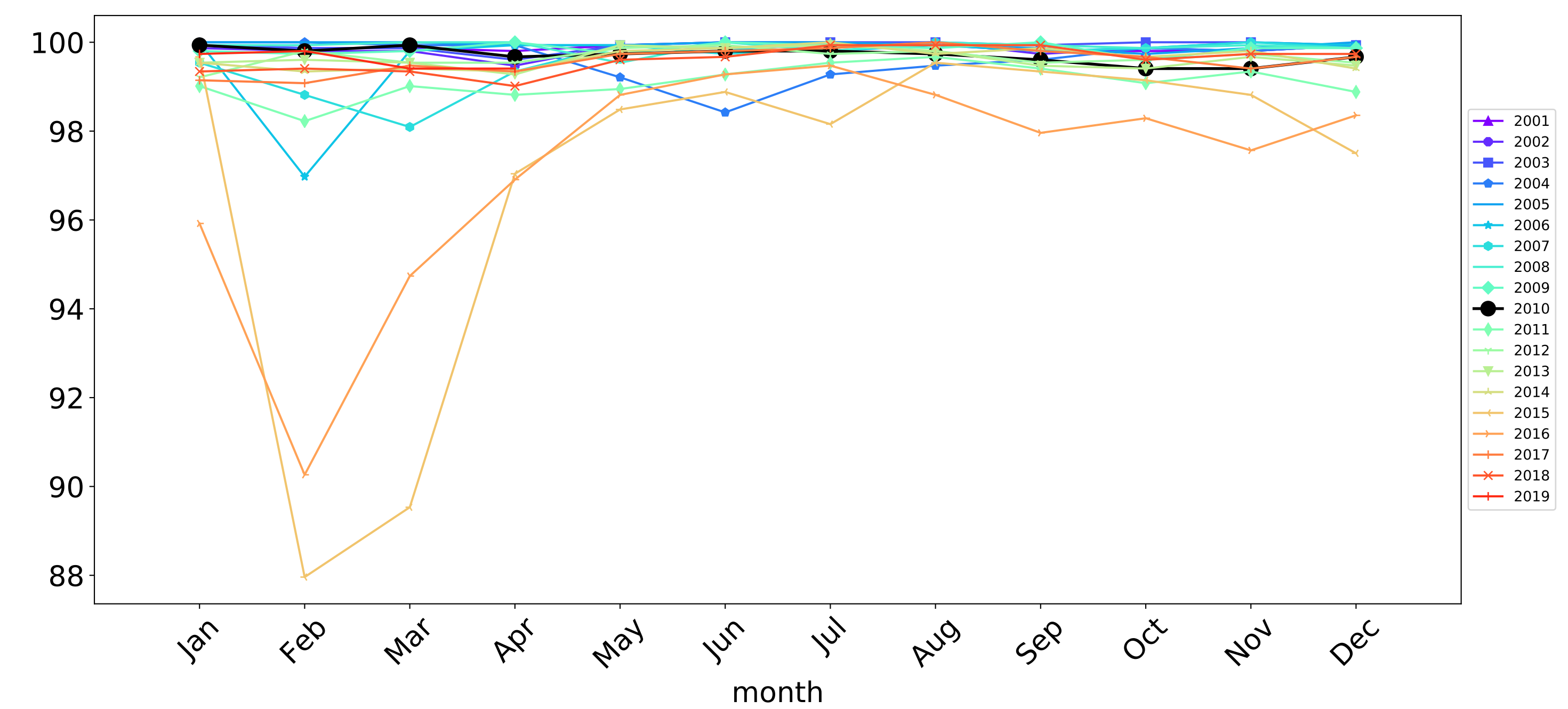
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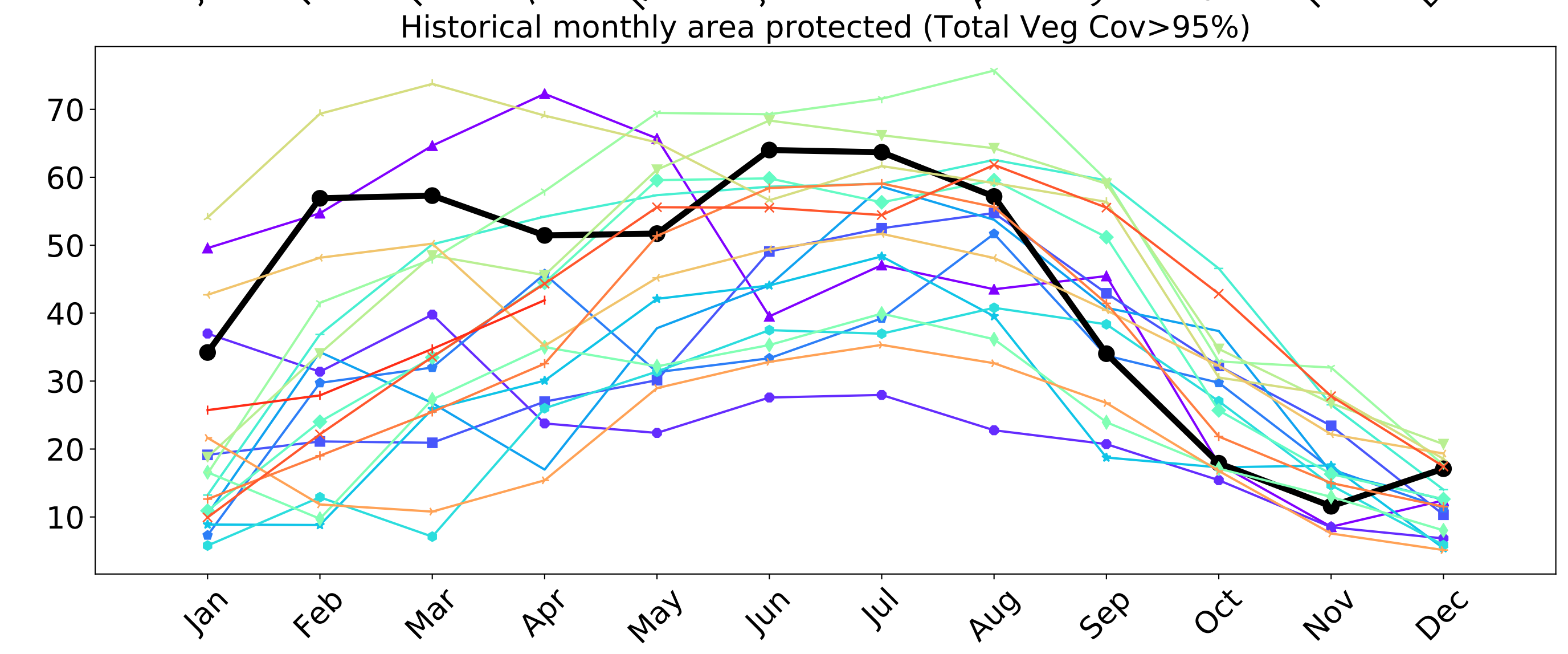
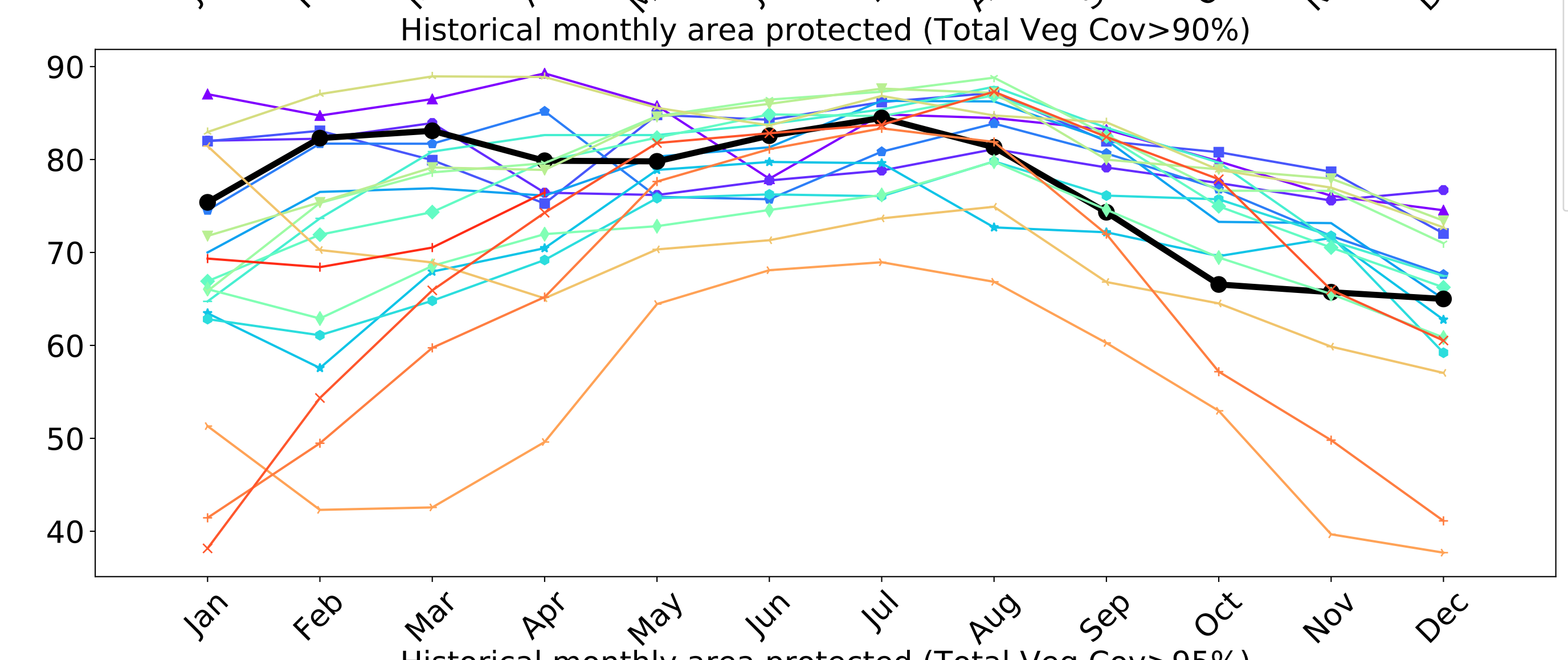
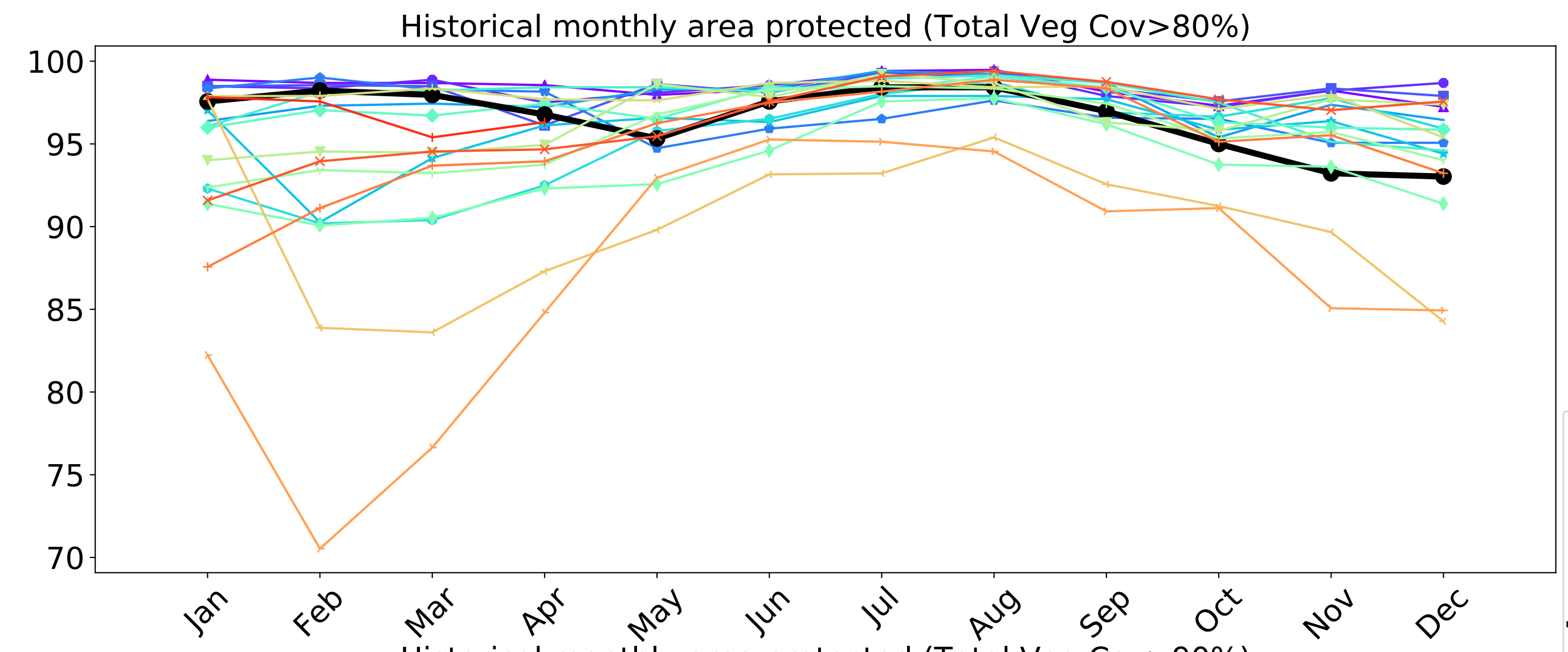
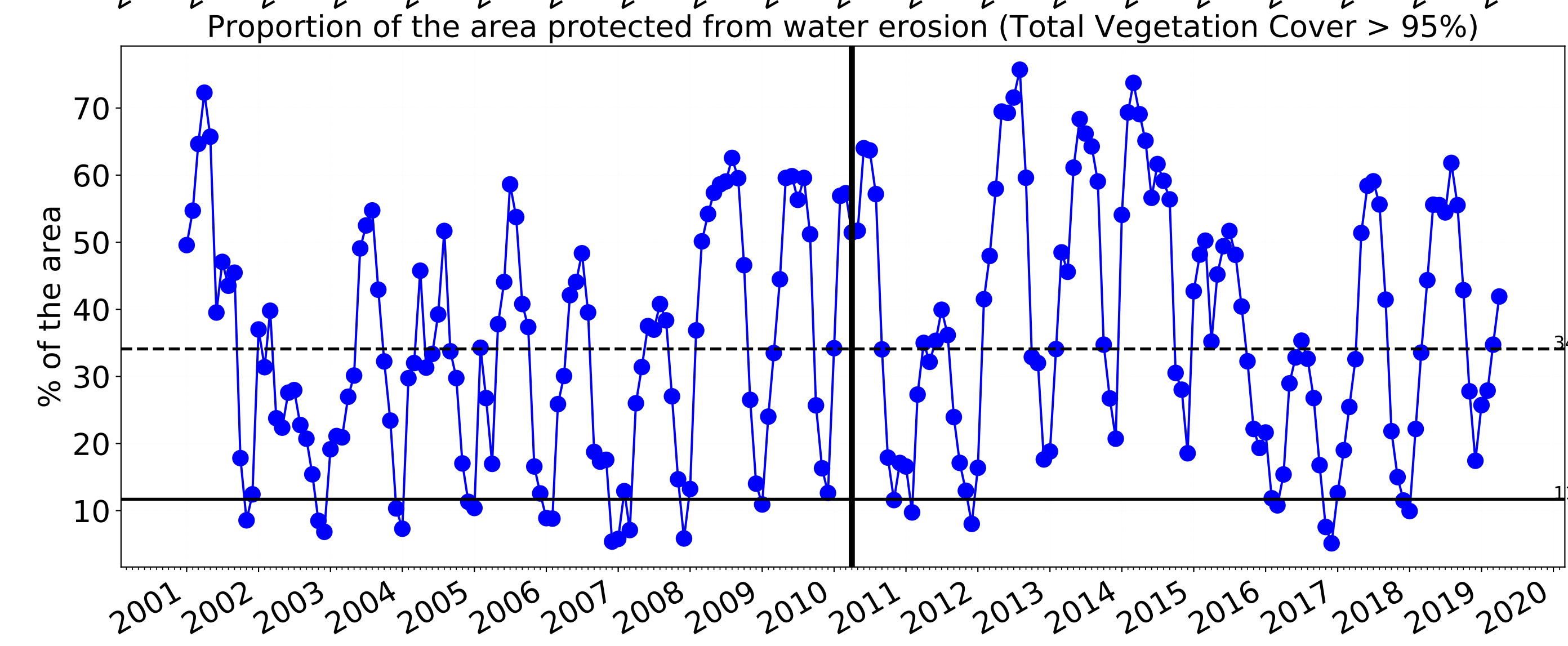
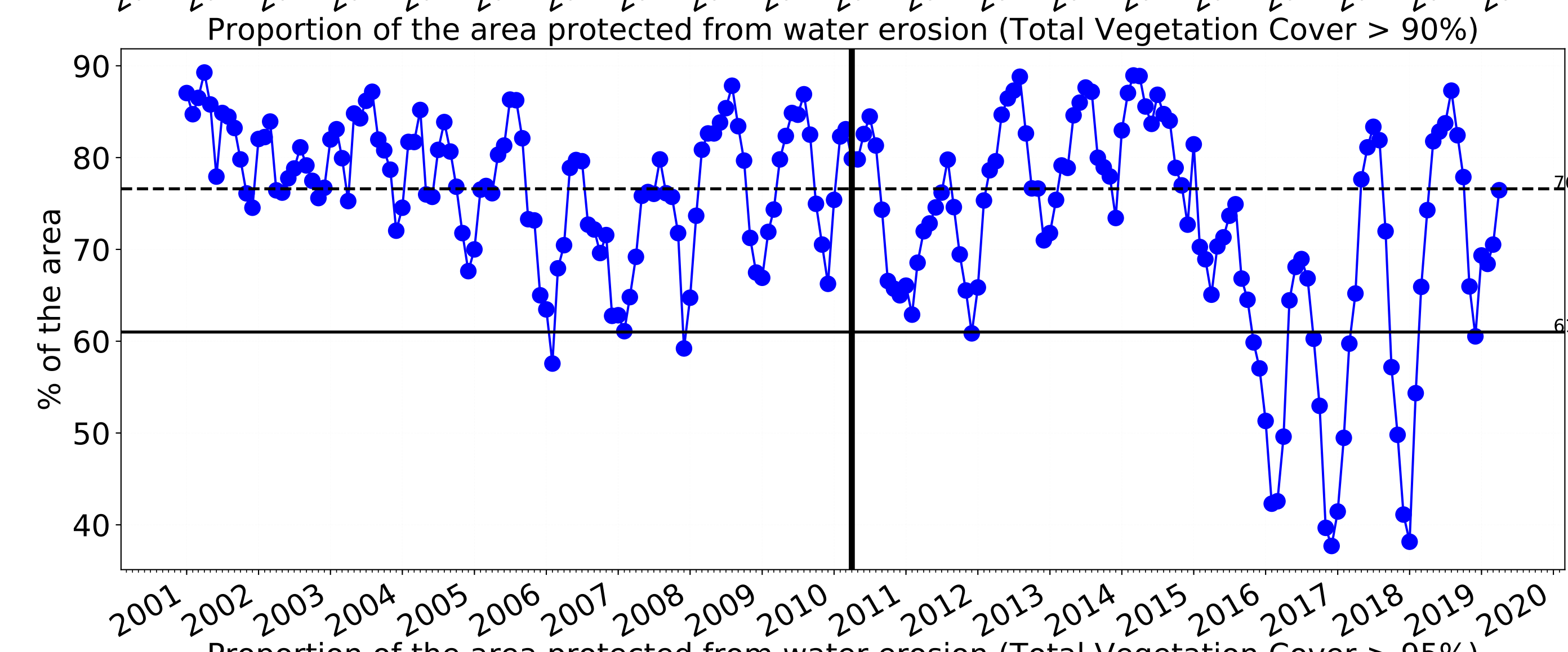
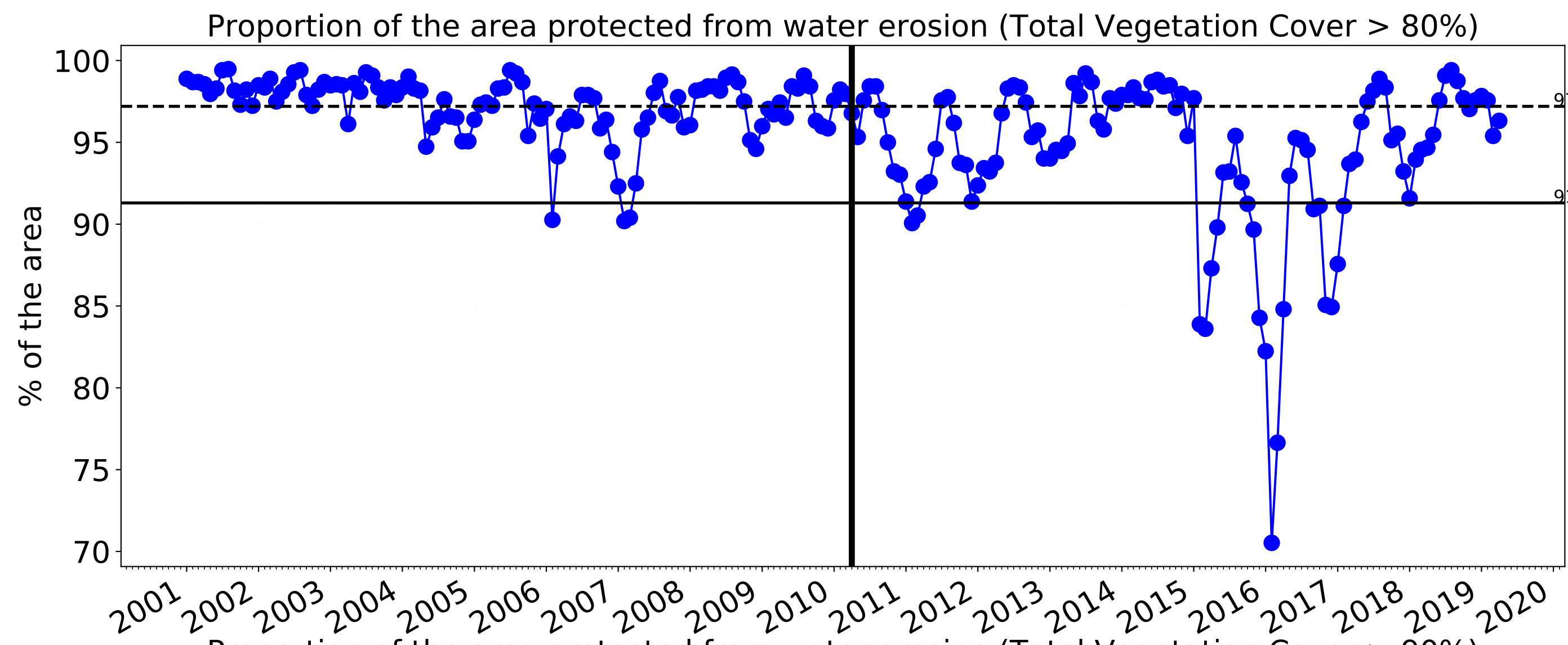
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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









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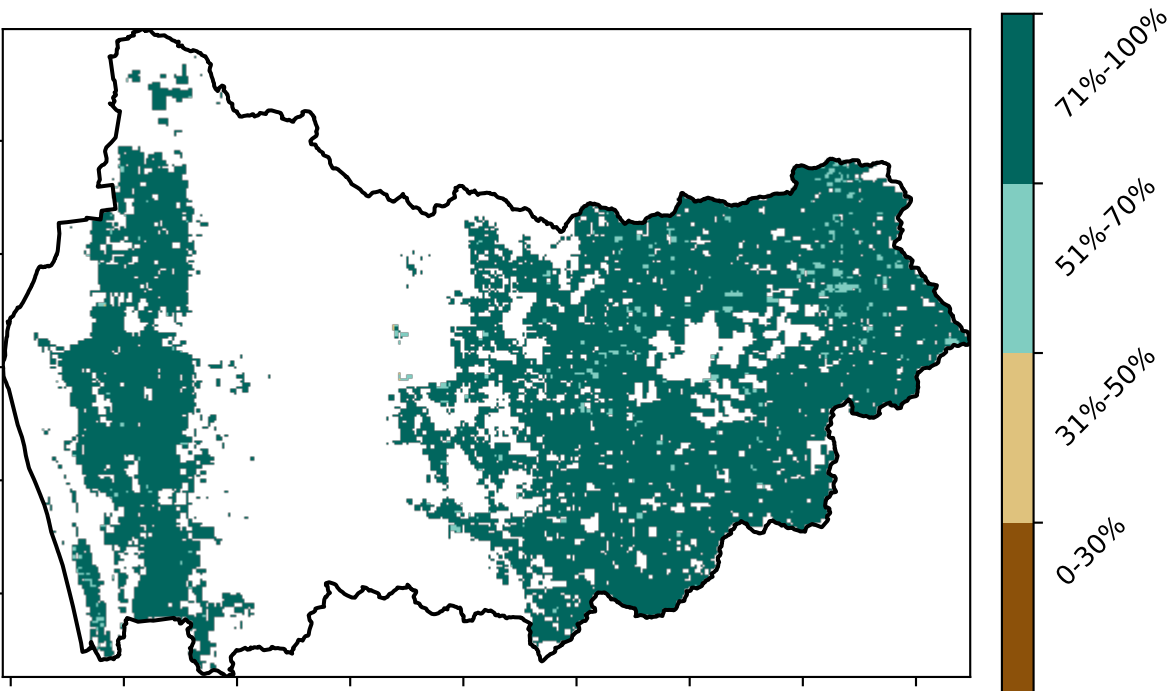
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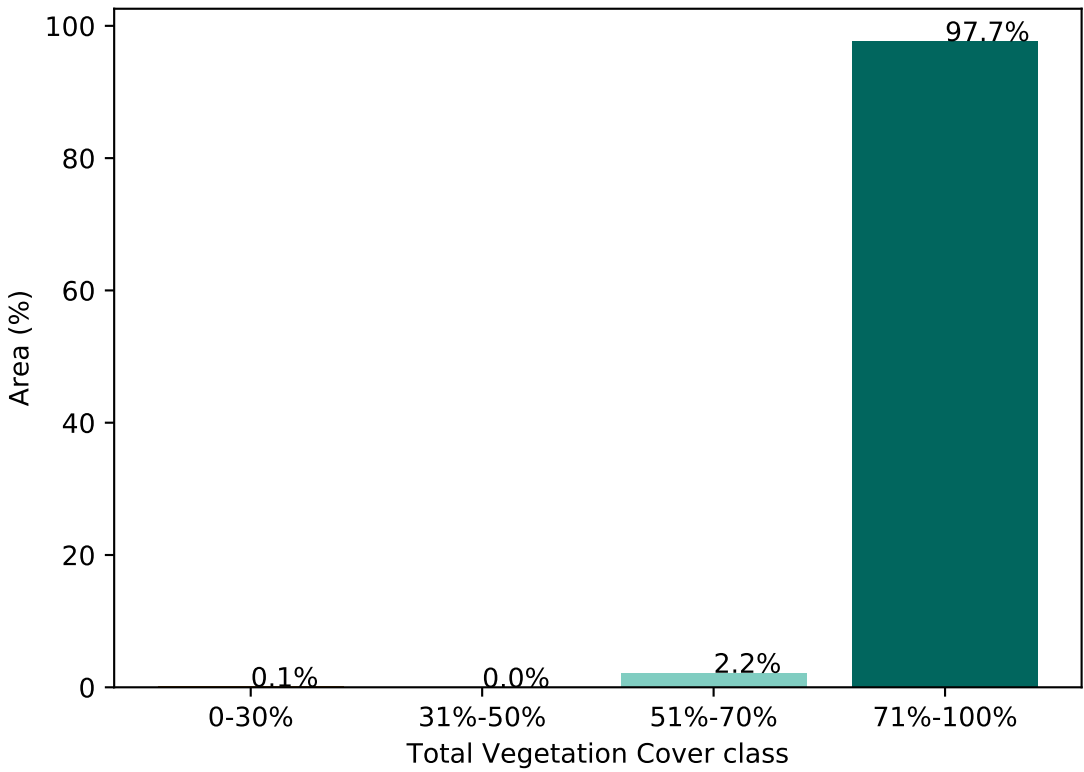
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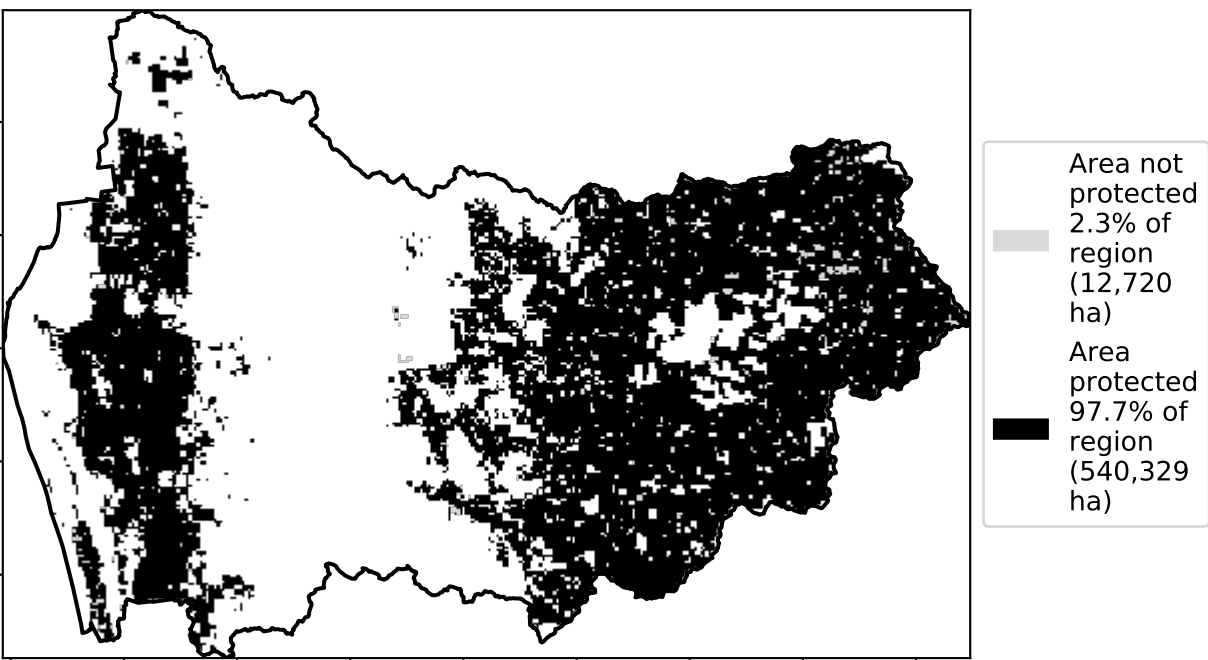
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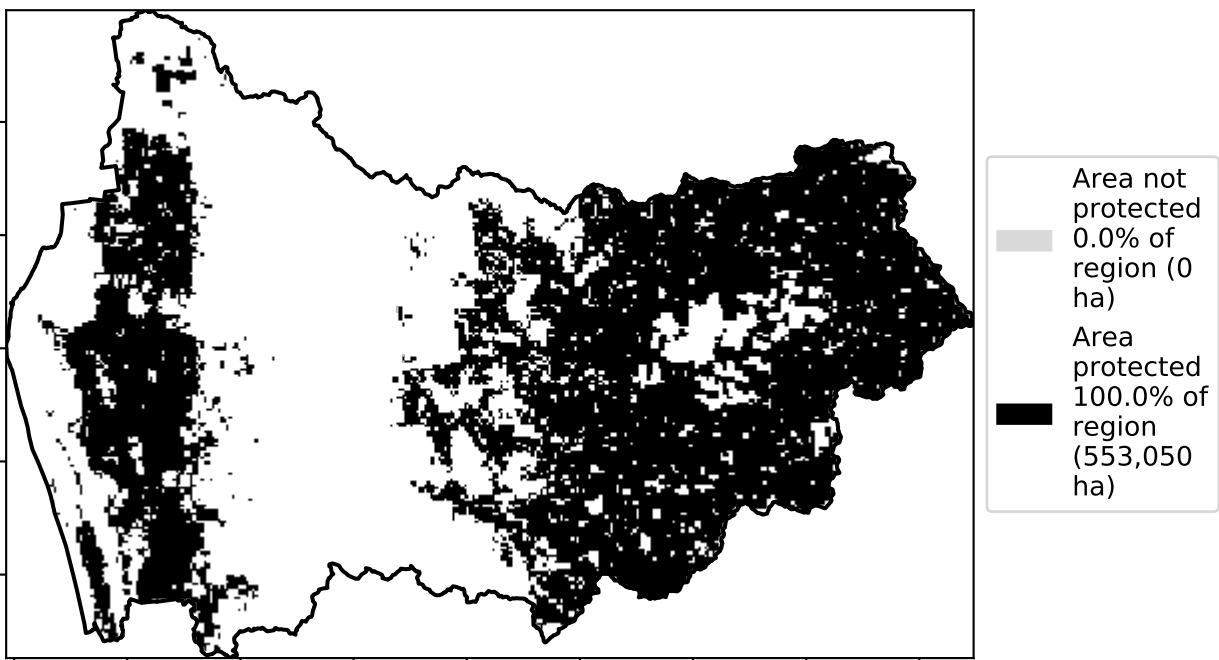
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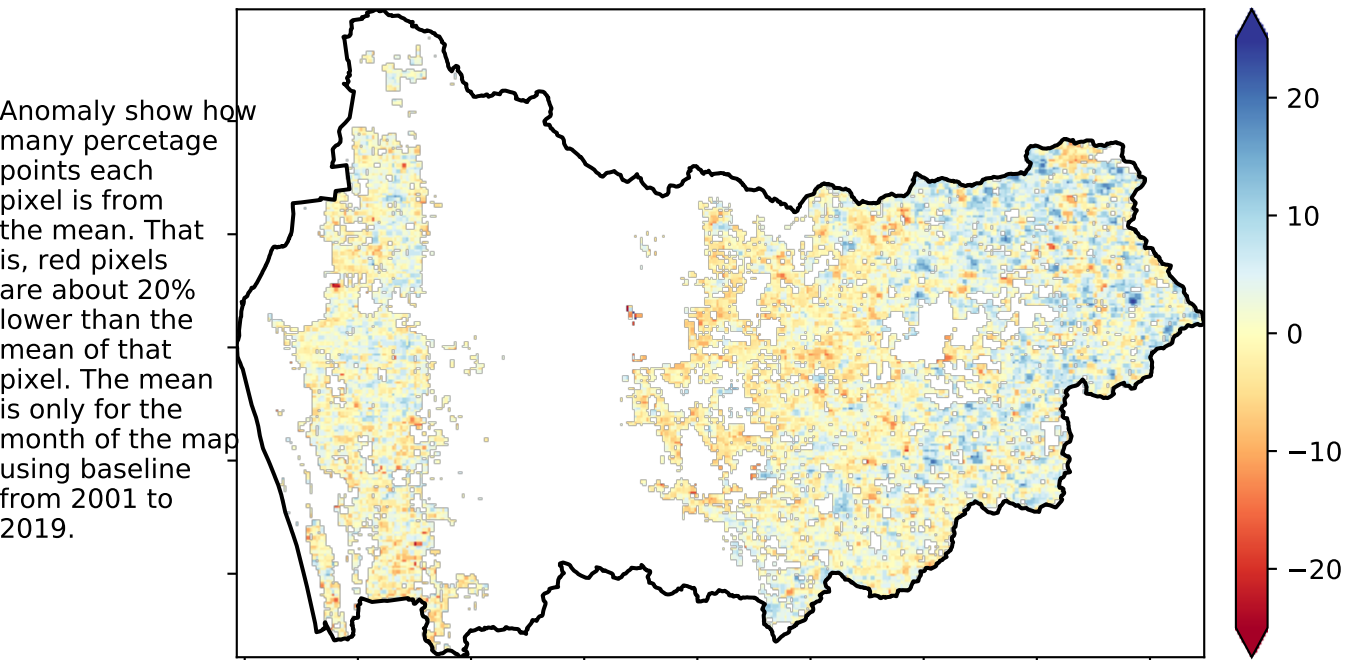
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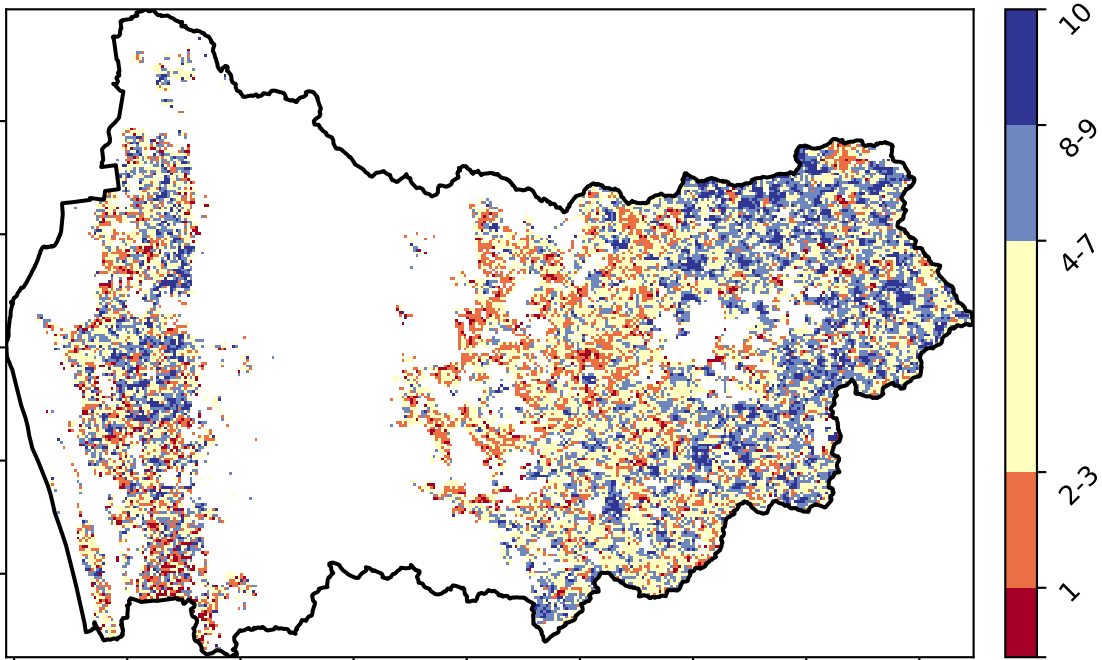


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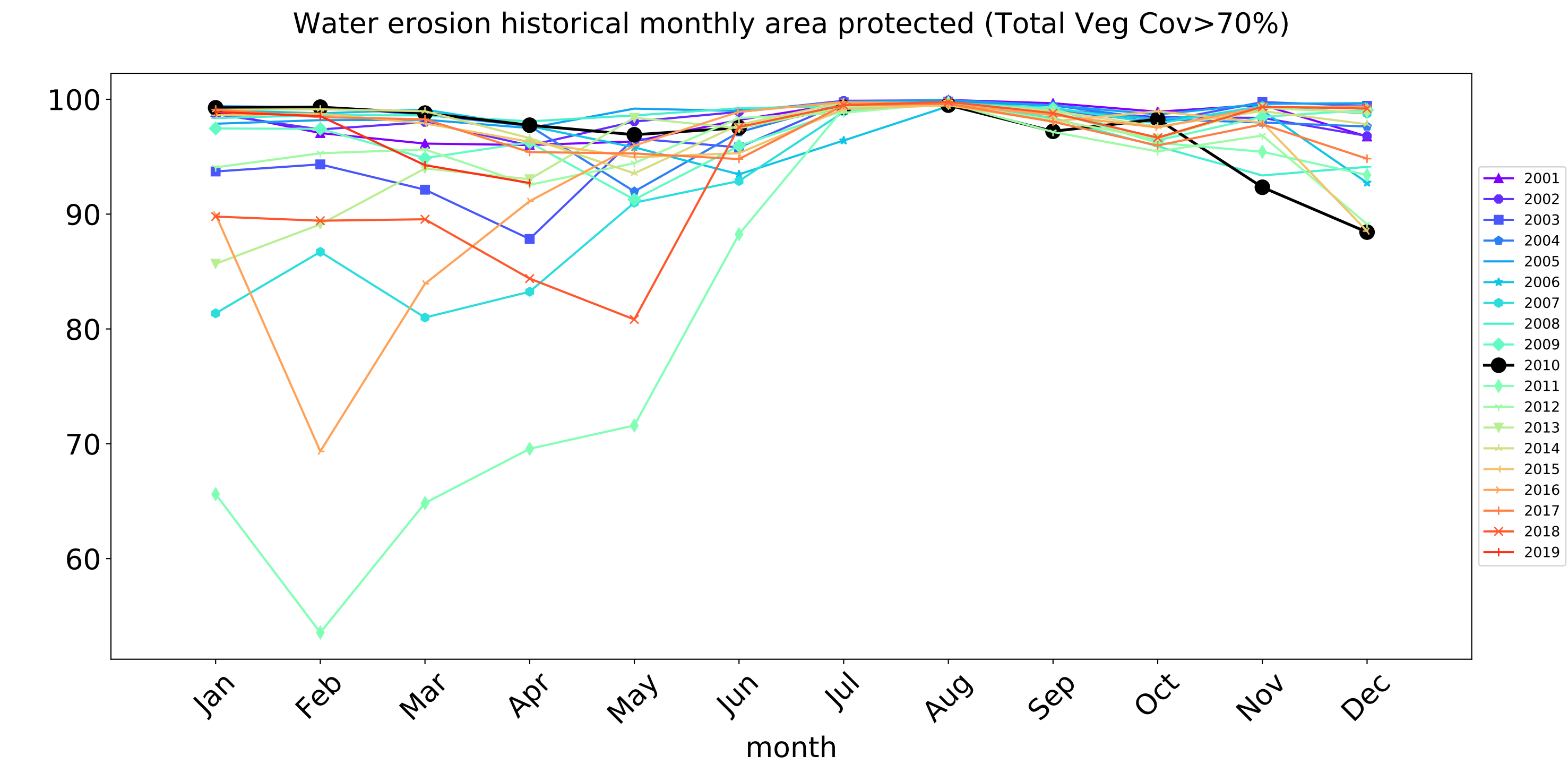
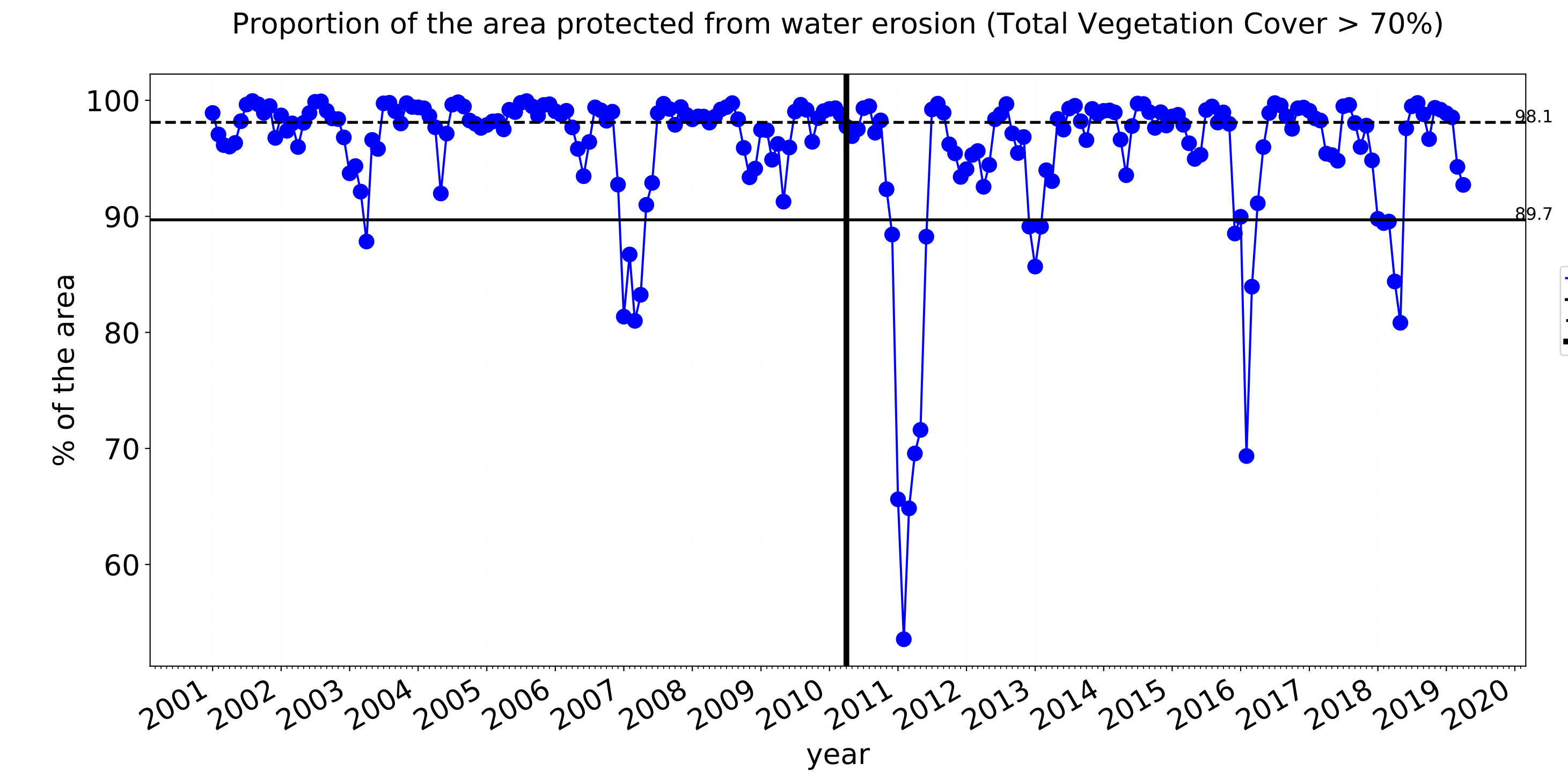
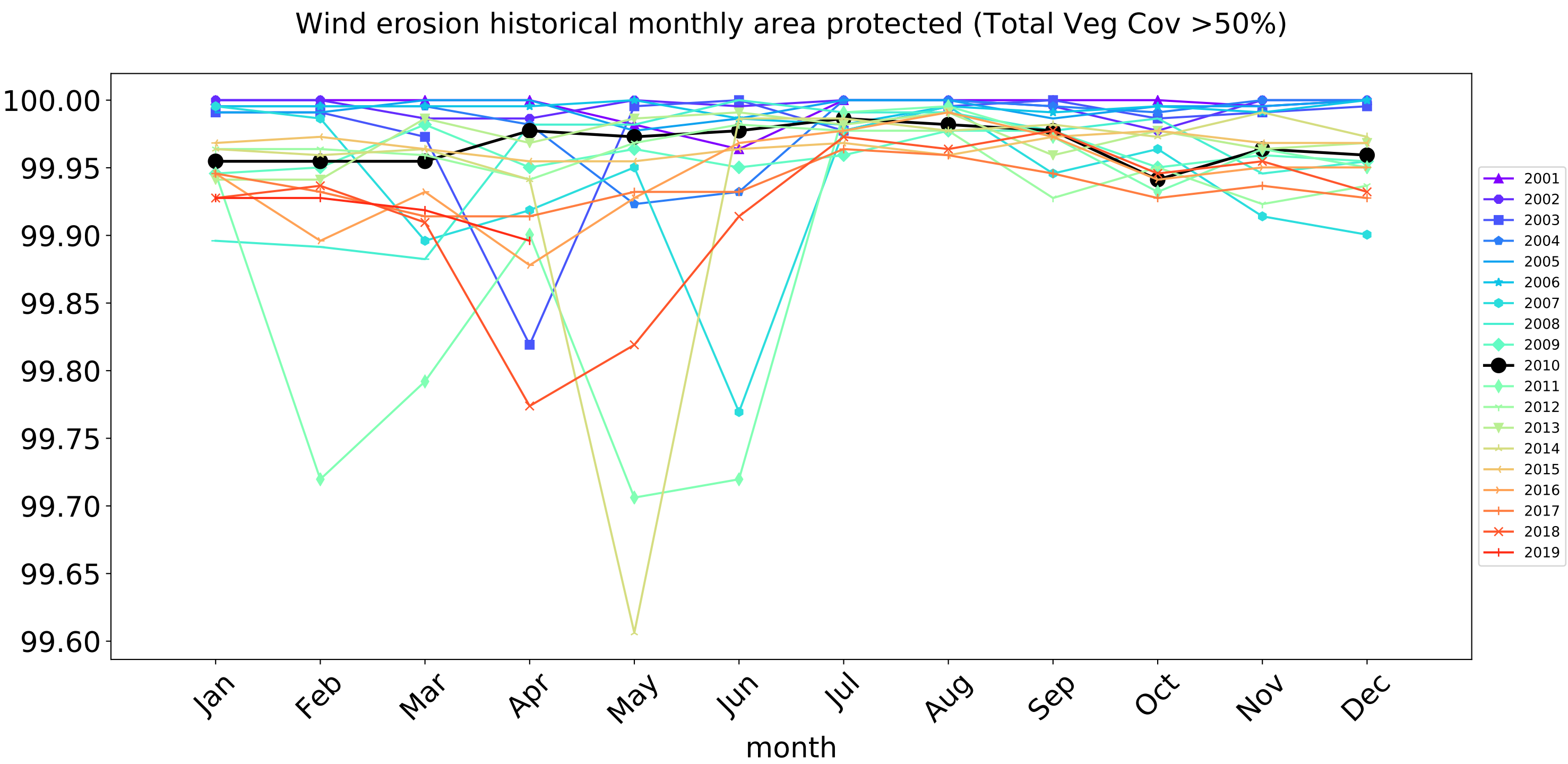
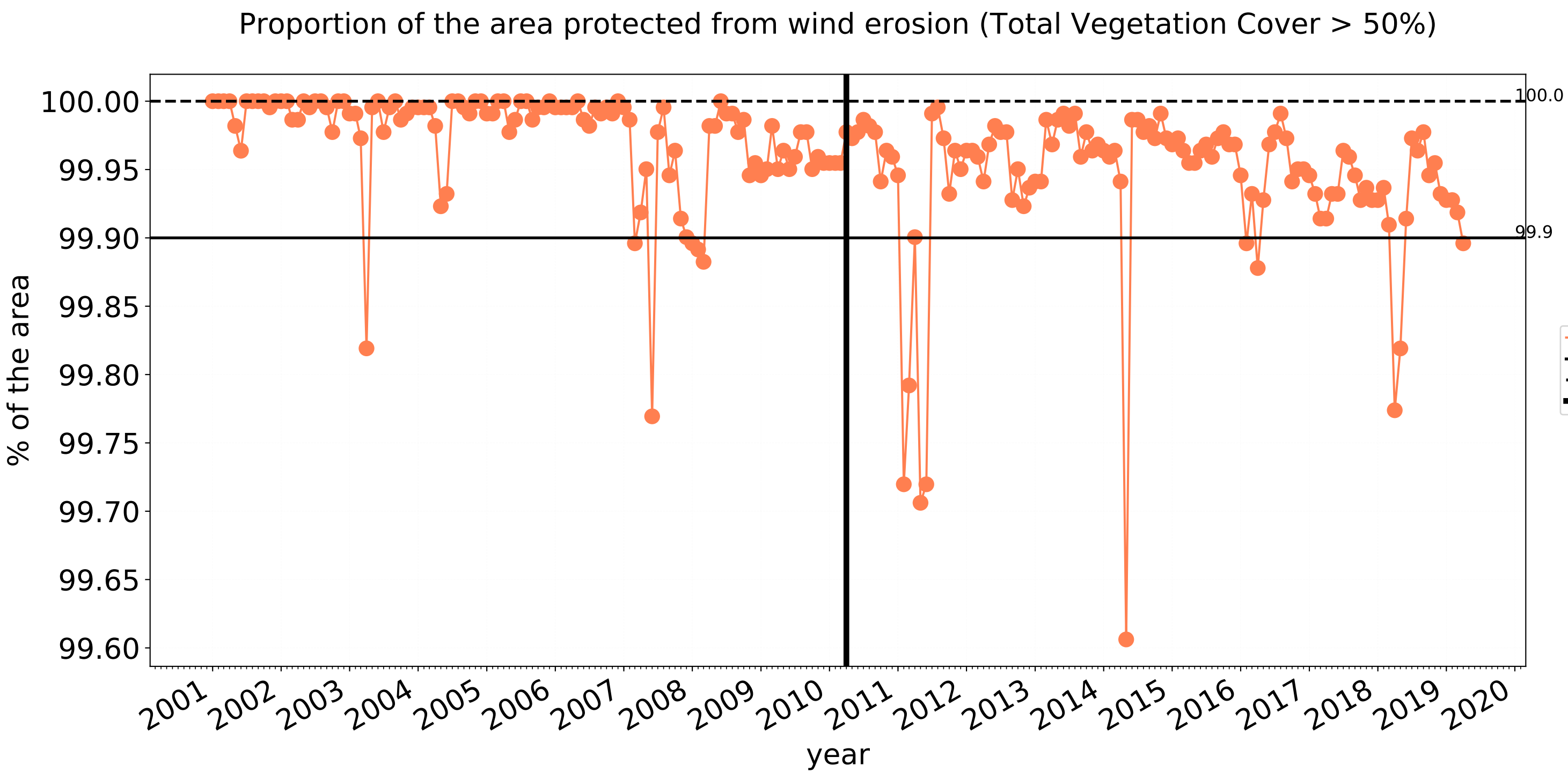
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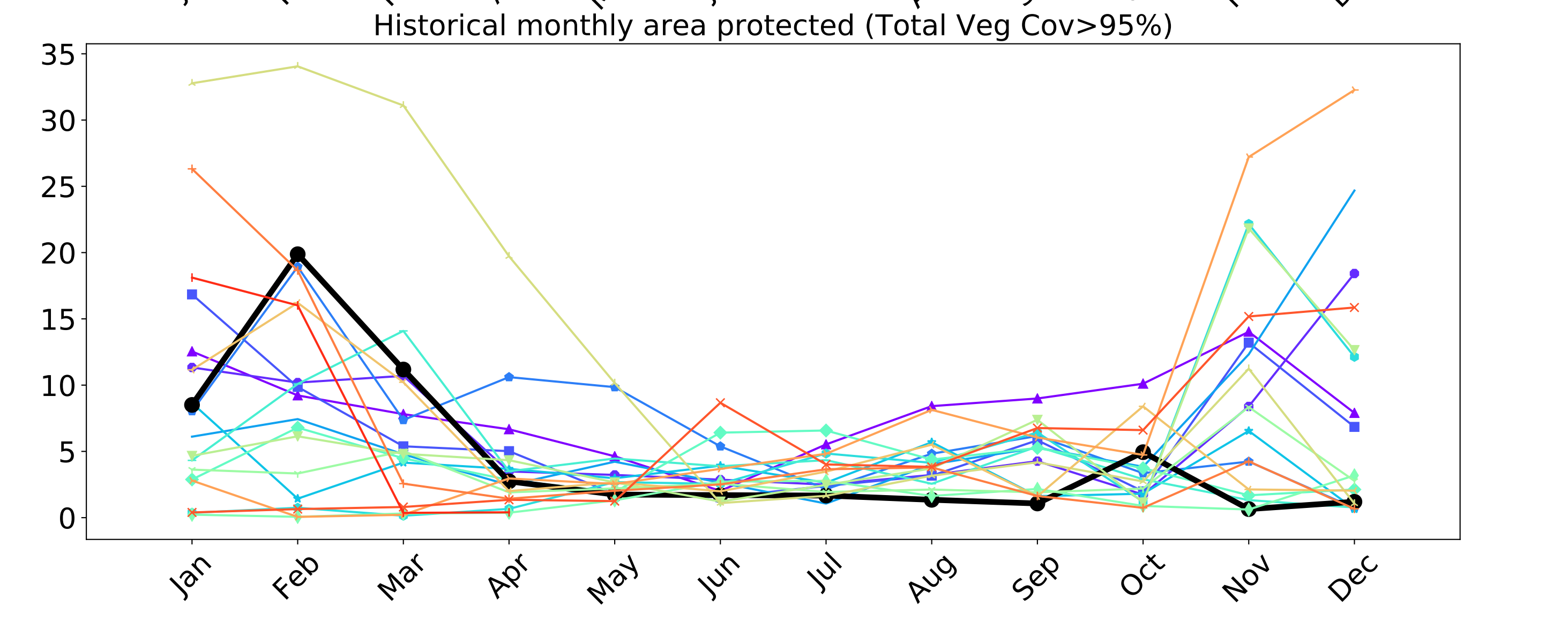
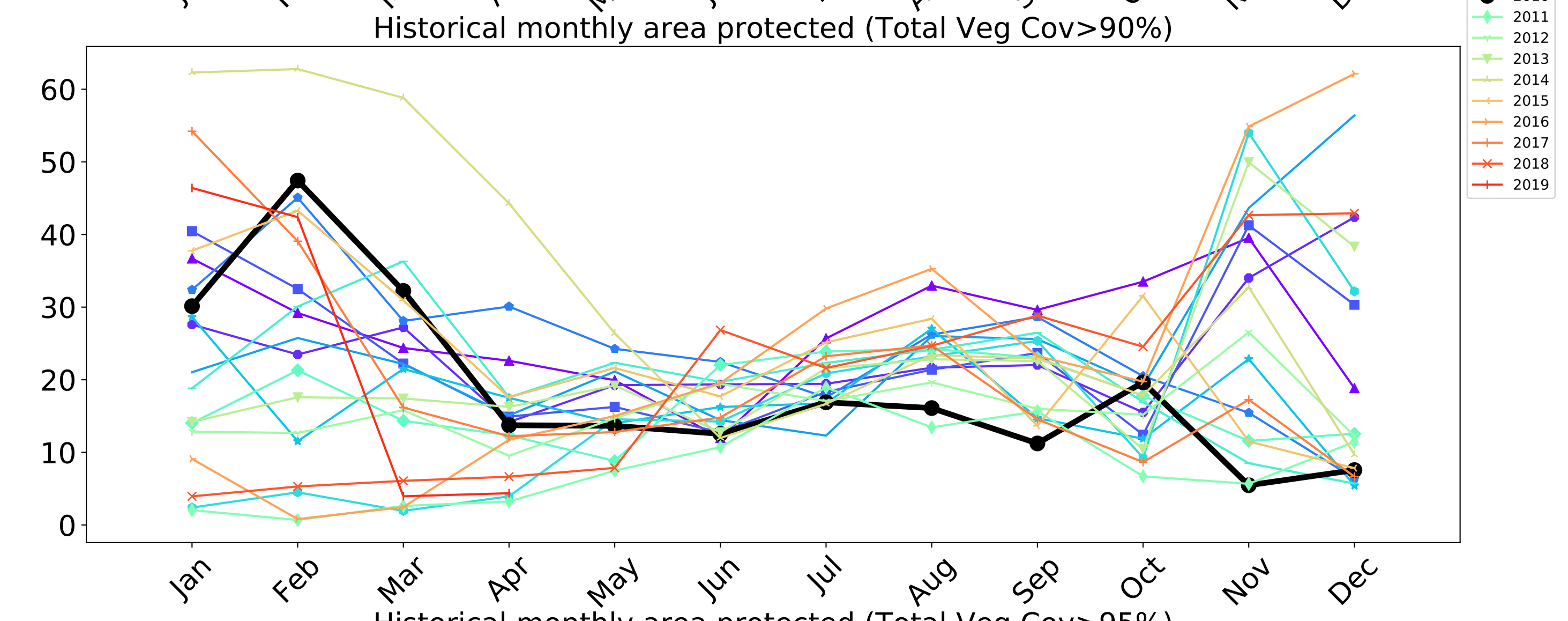
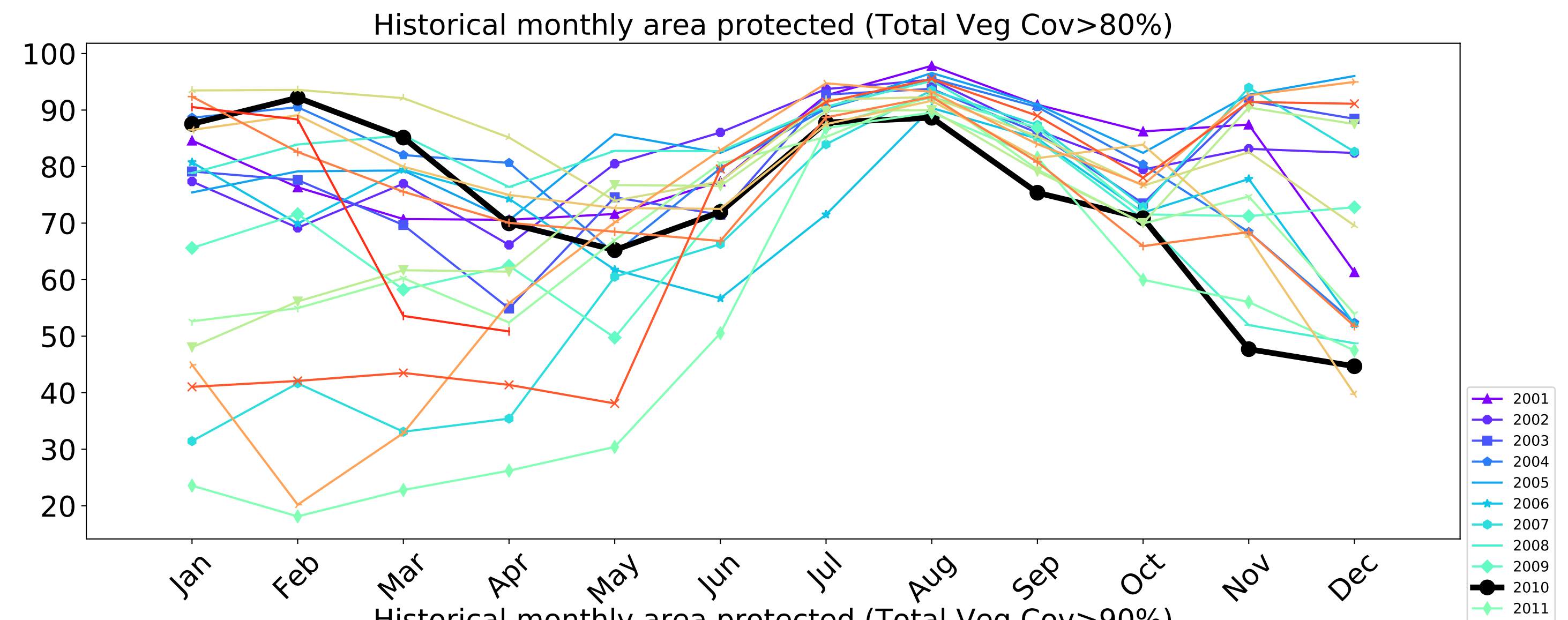
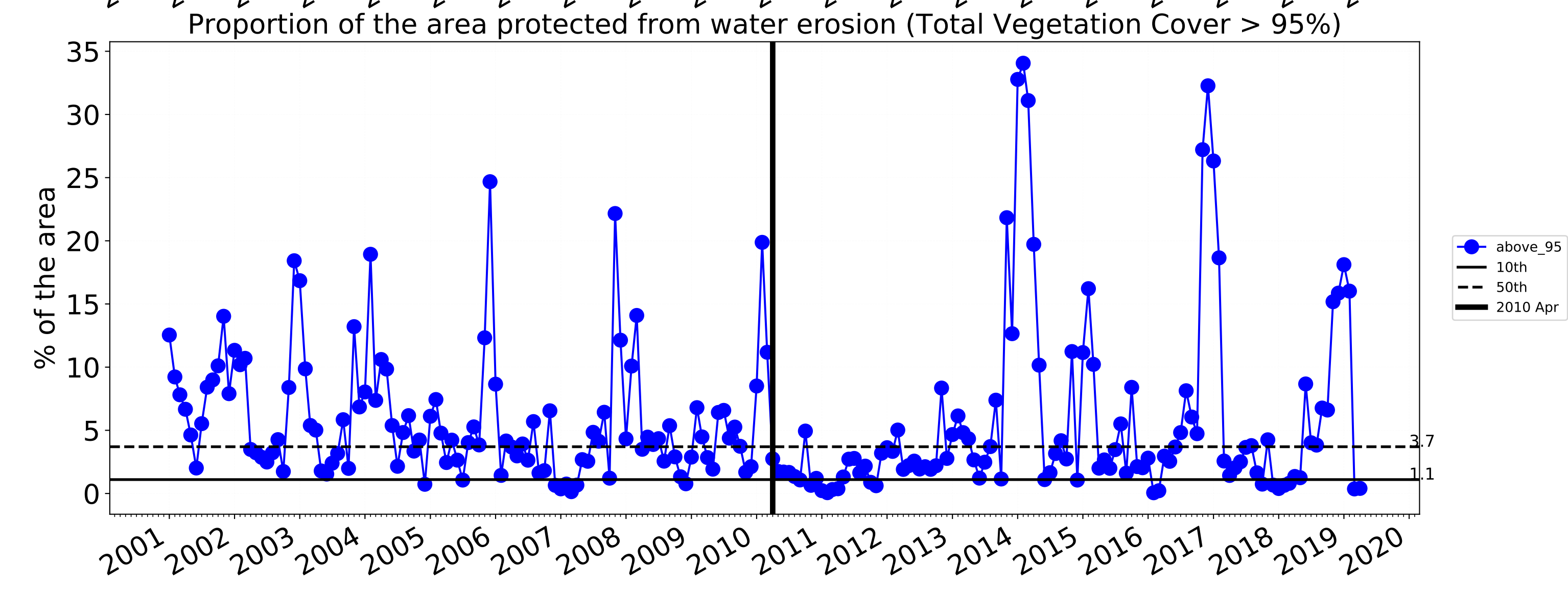
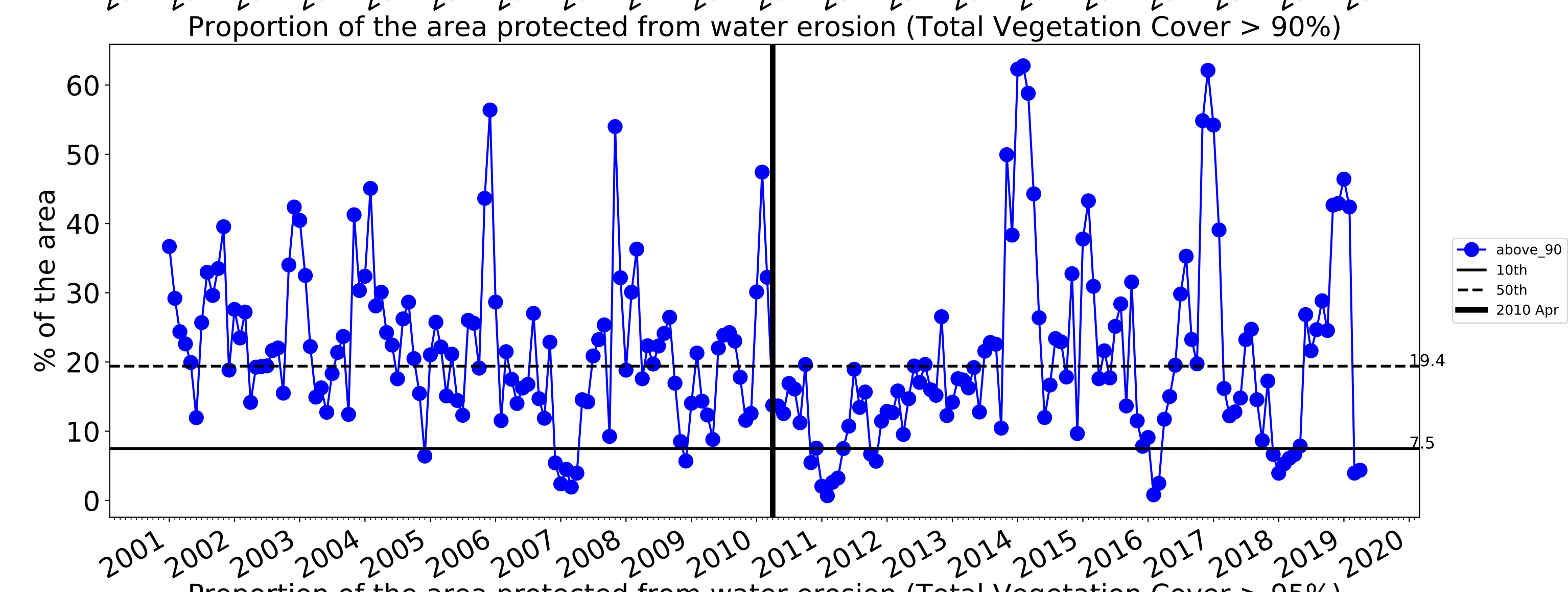
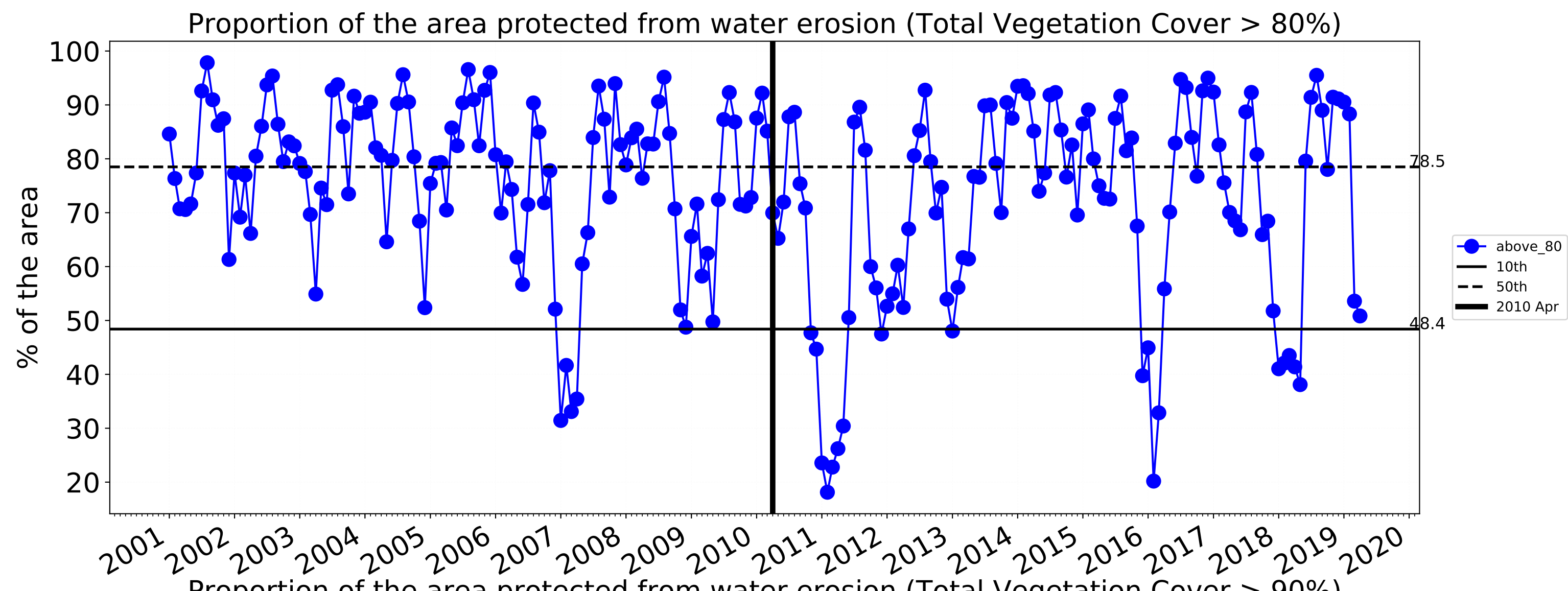
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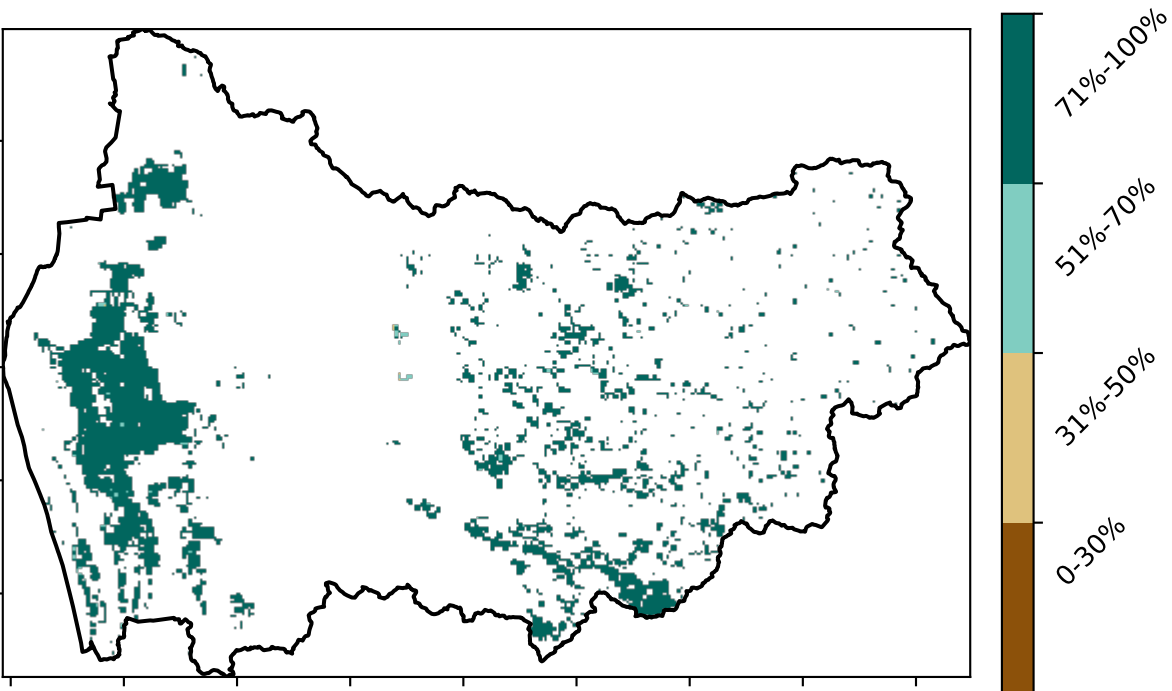
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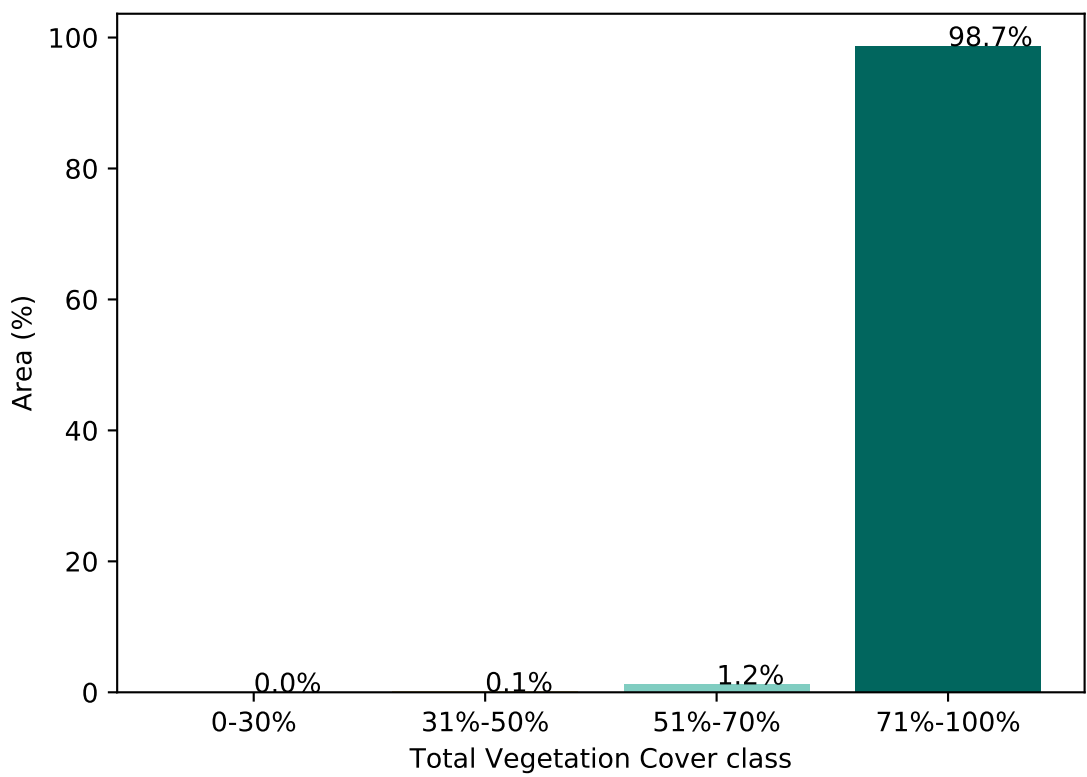
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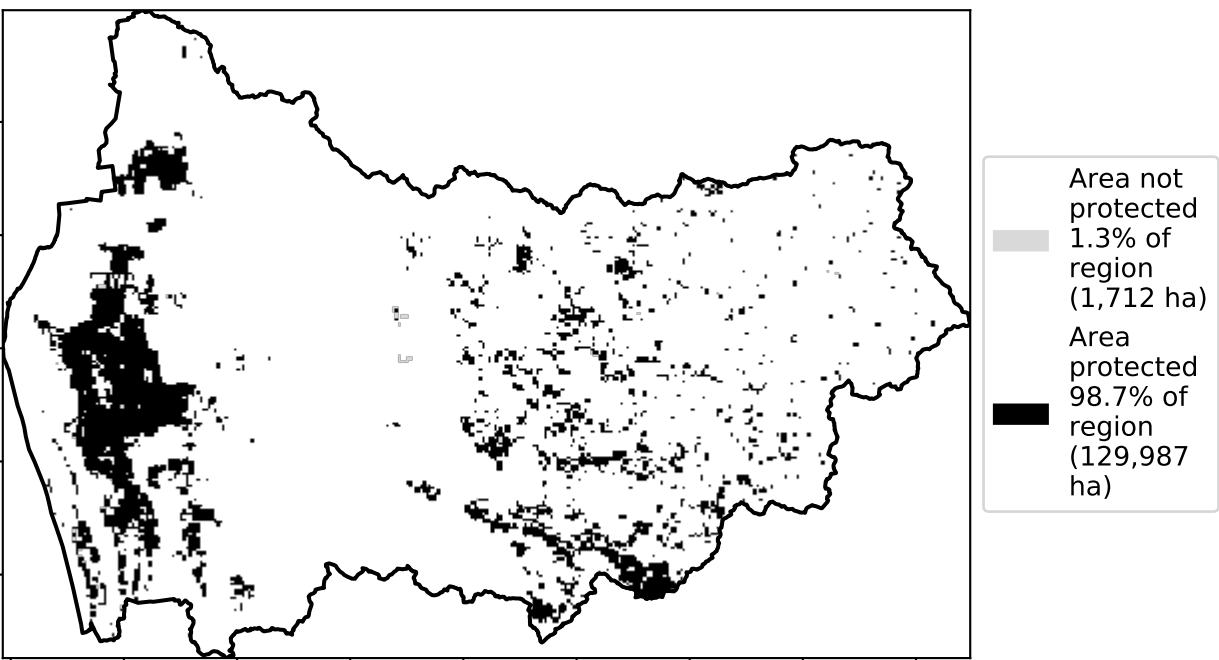
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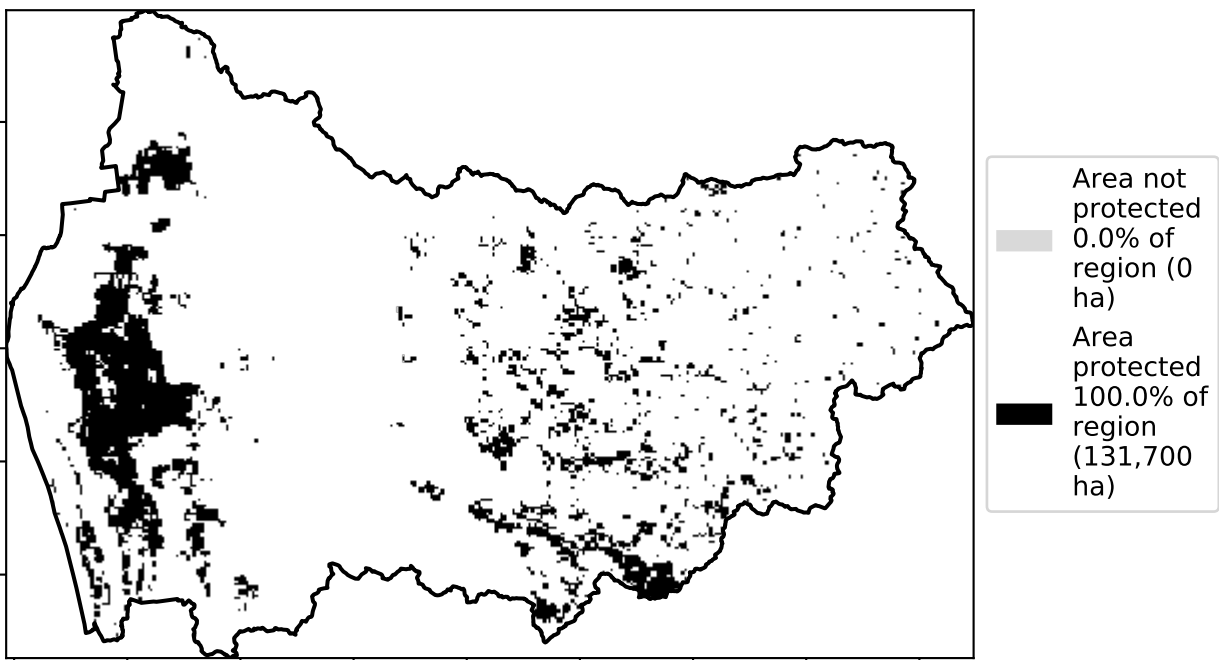
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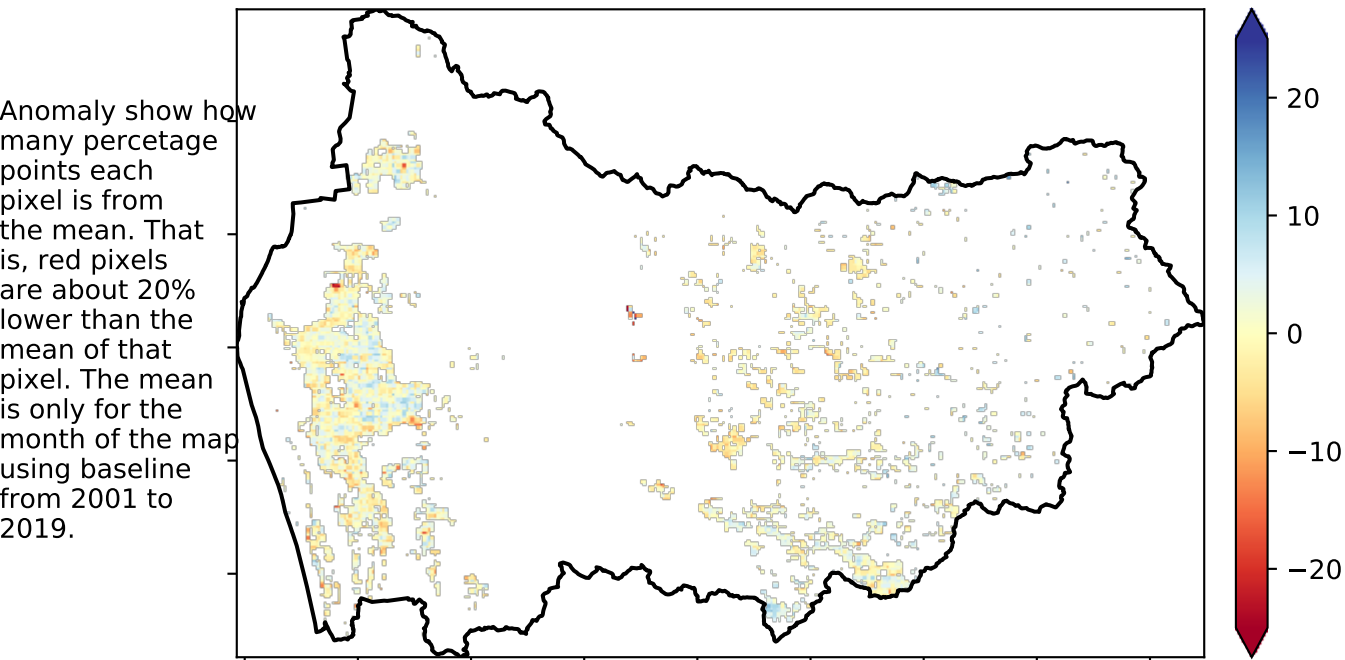
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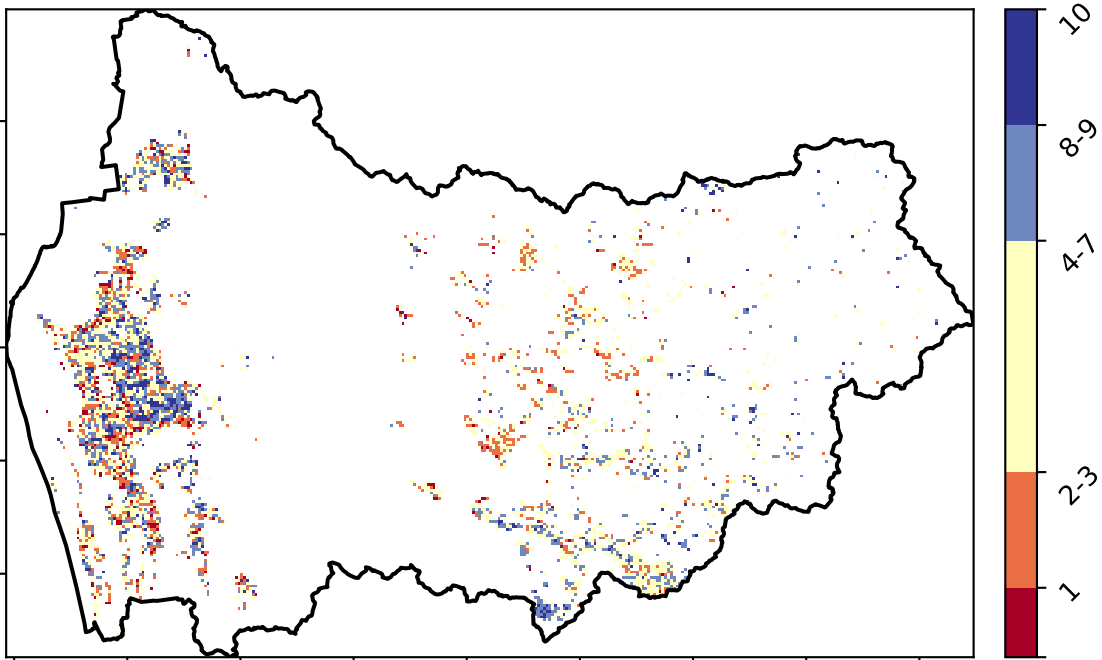


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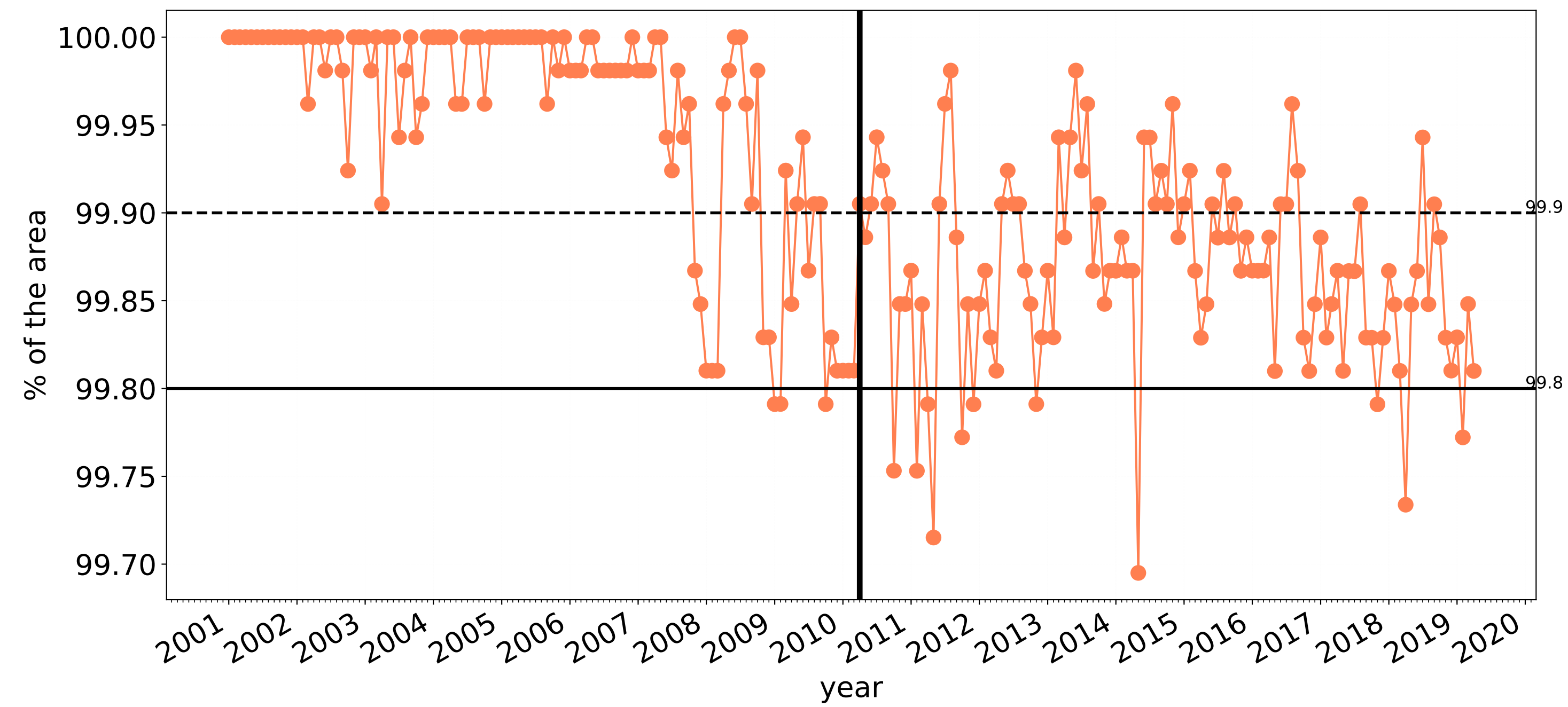
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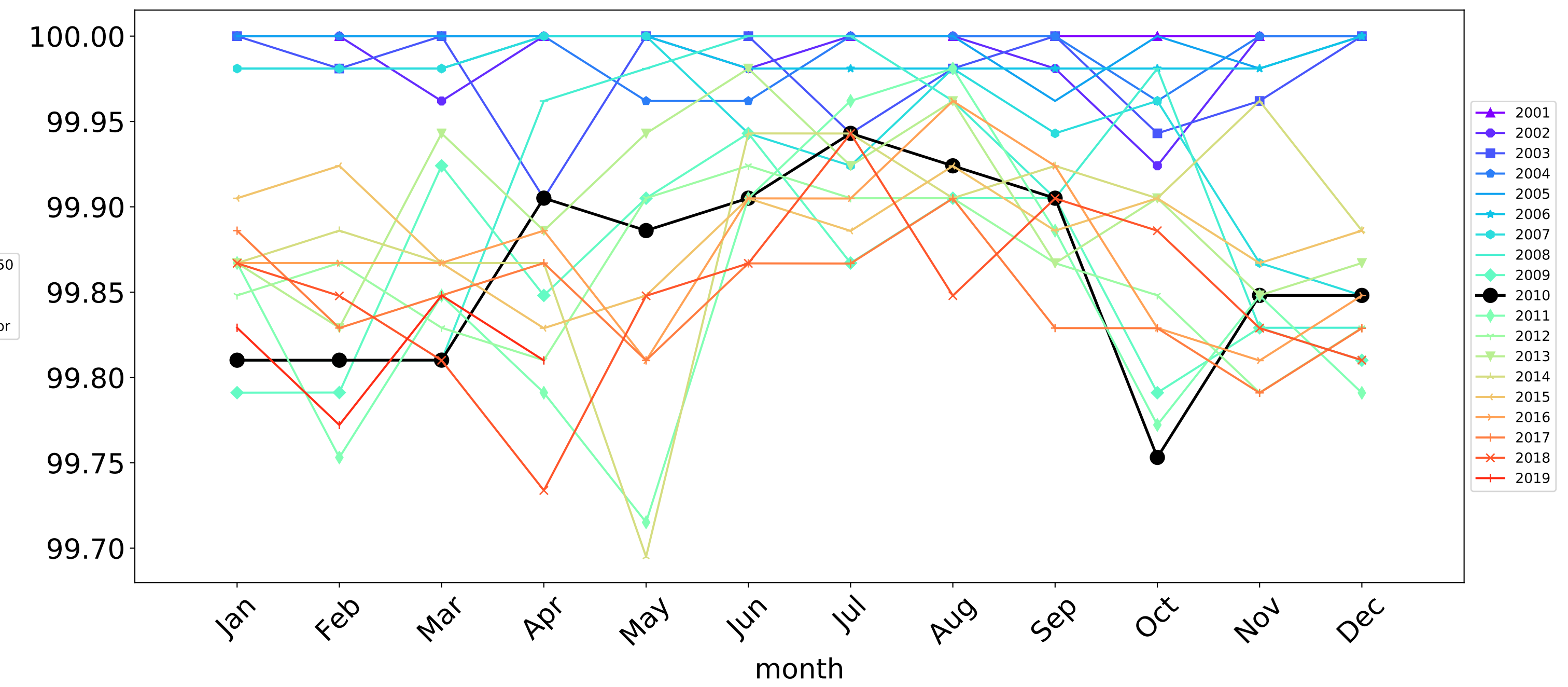
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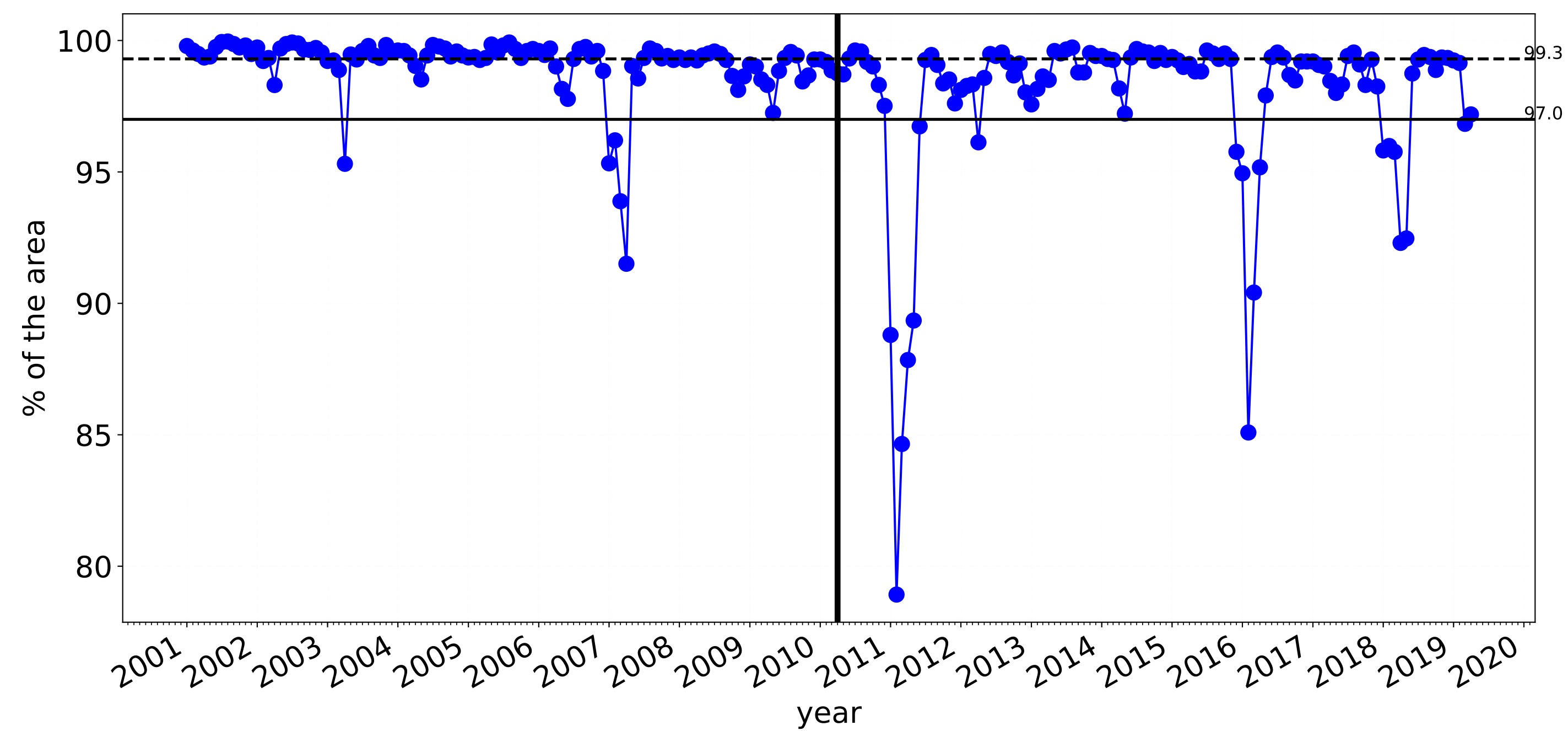
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



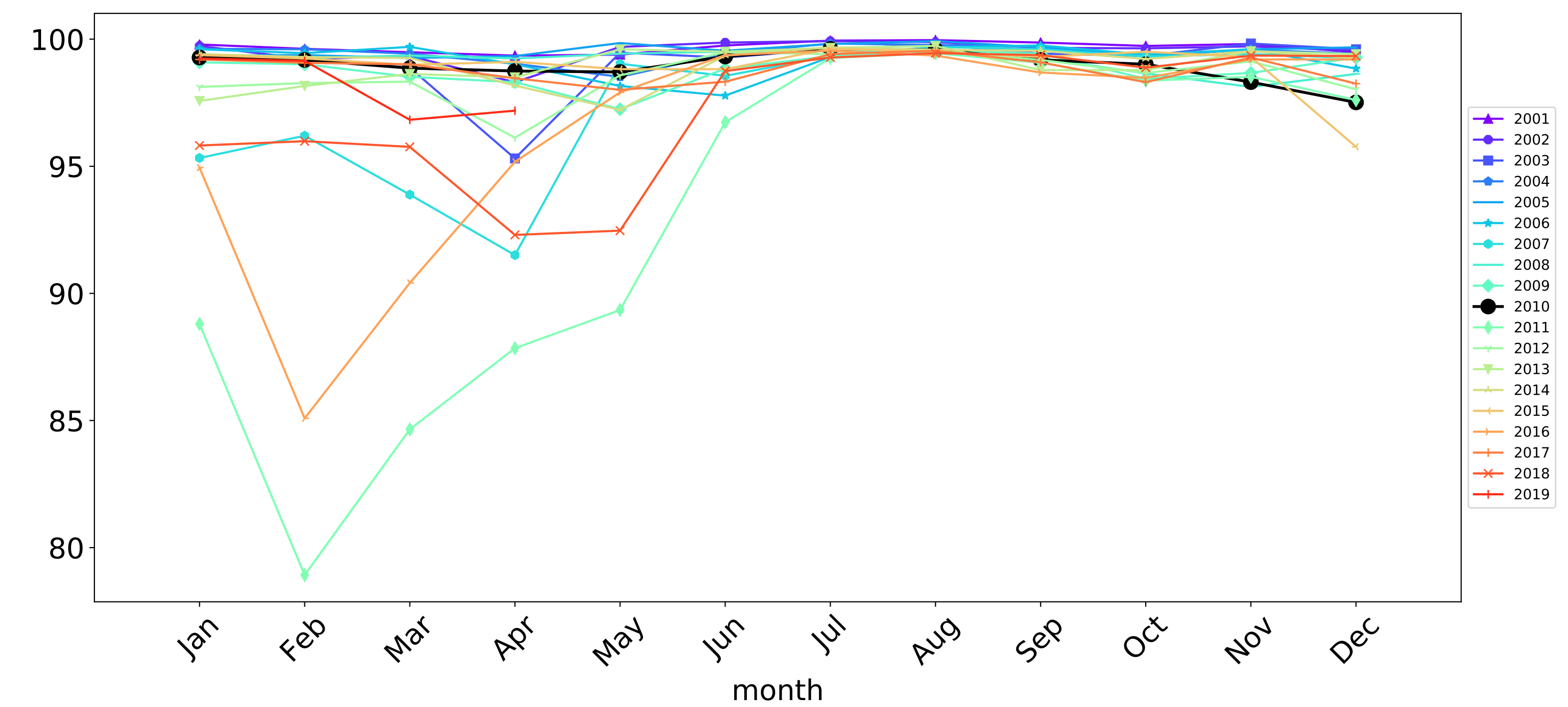
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



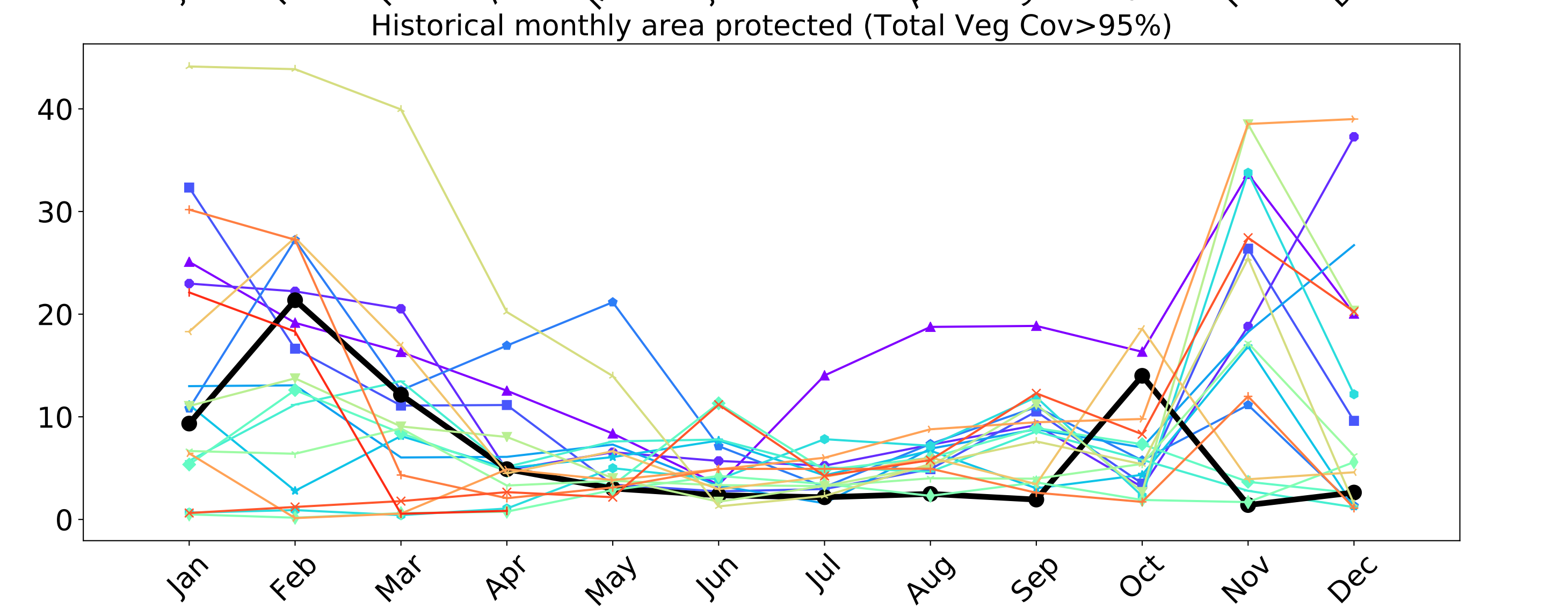
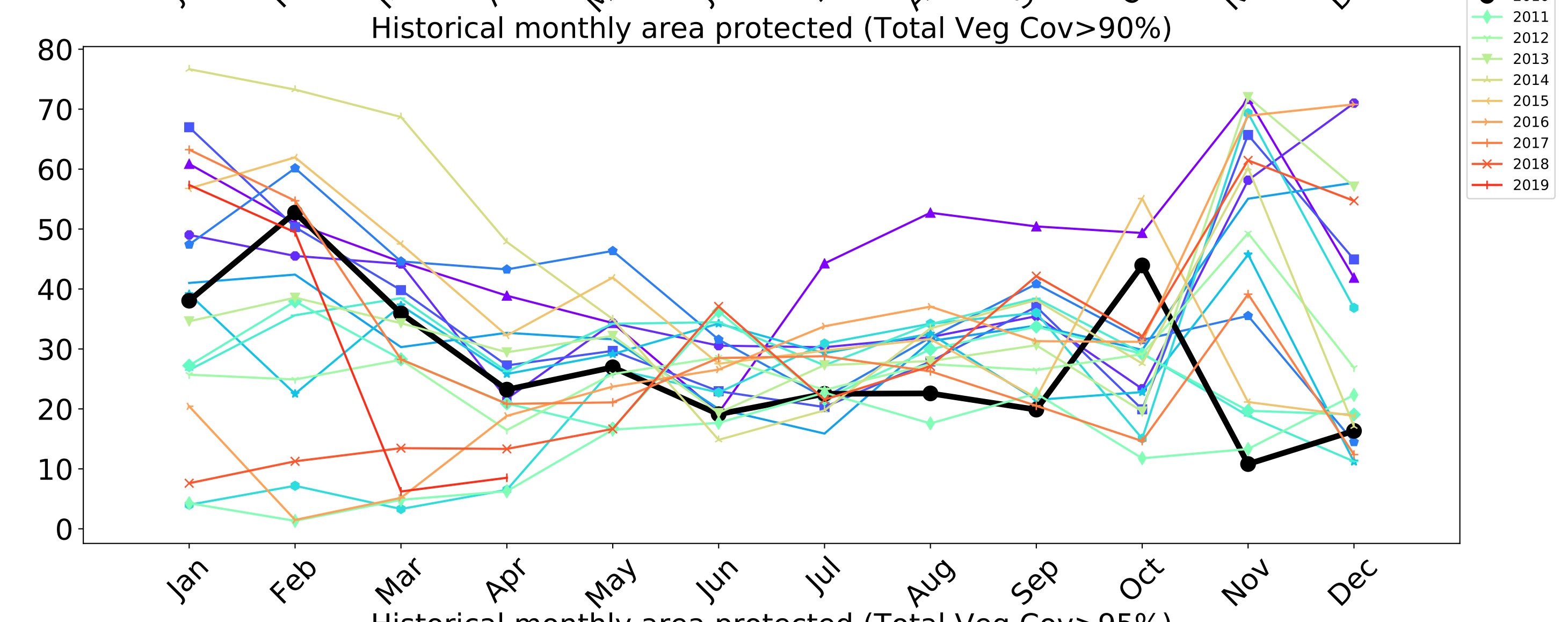
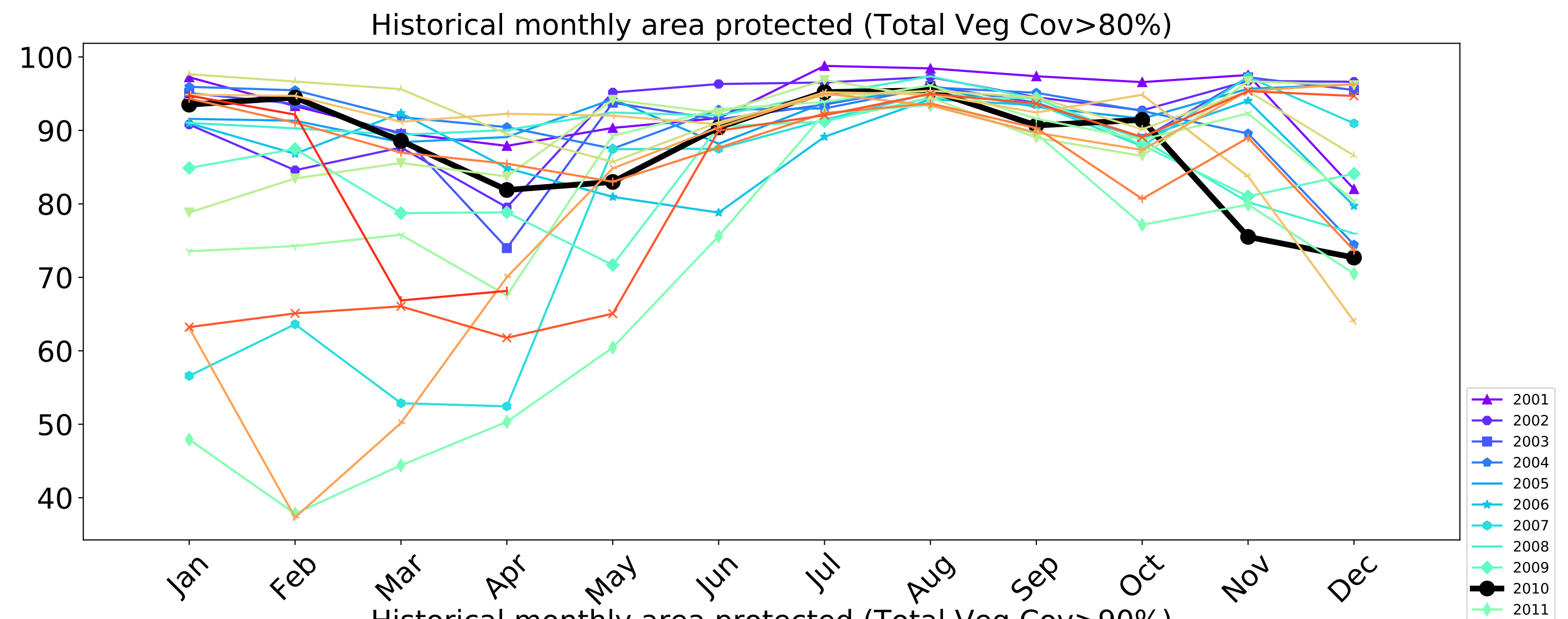
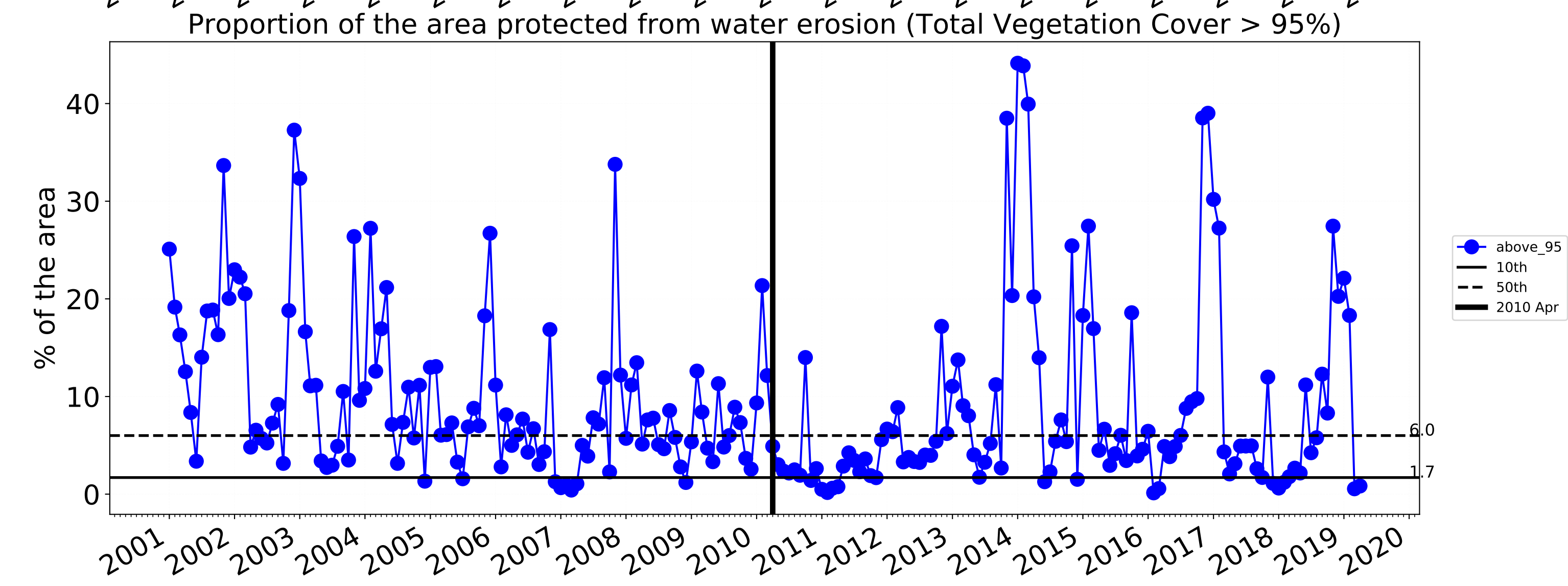
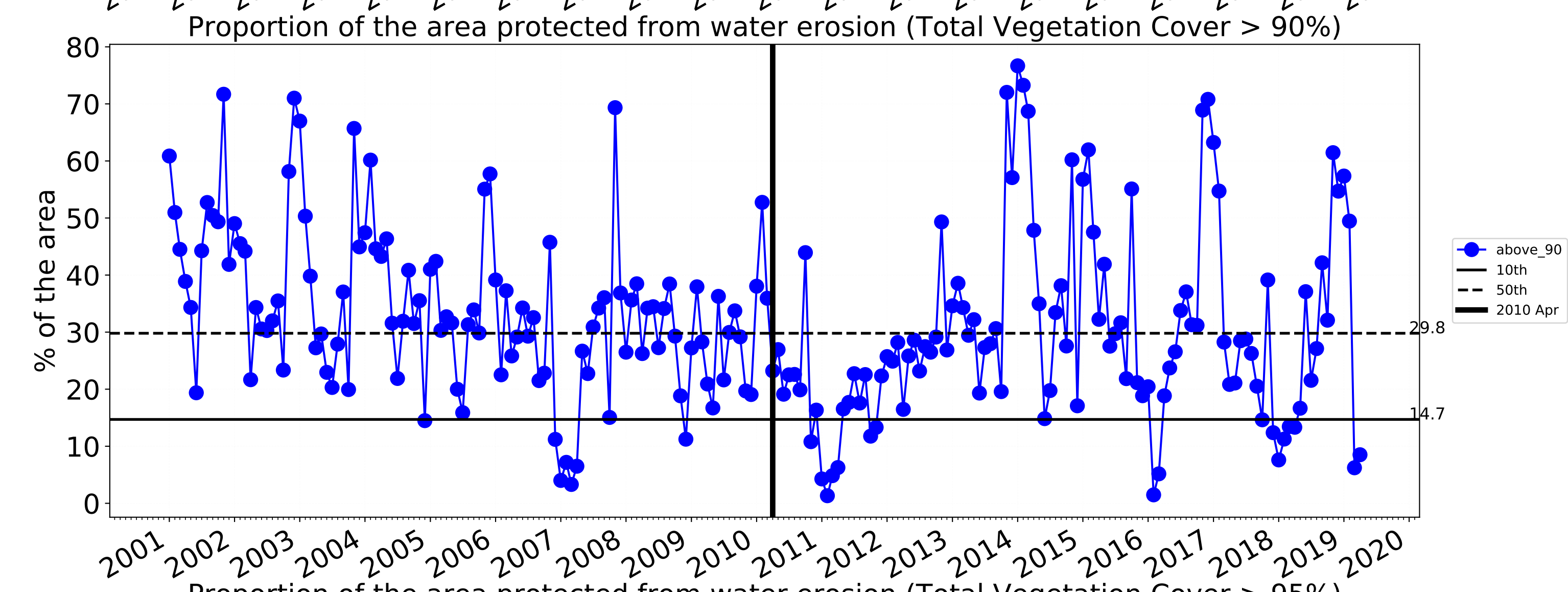
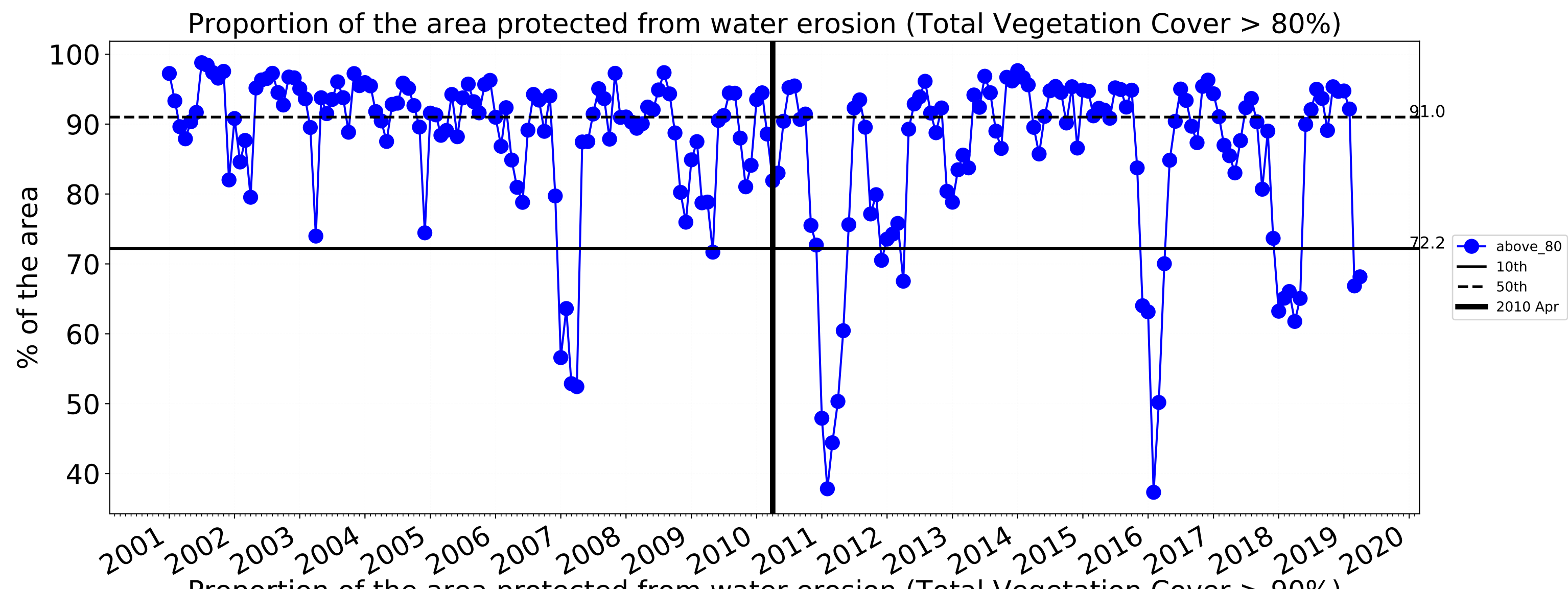
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)







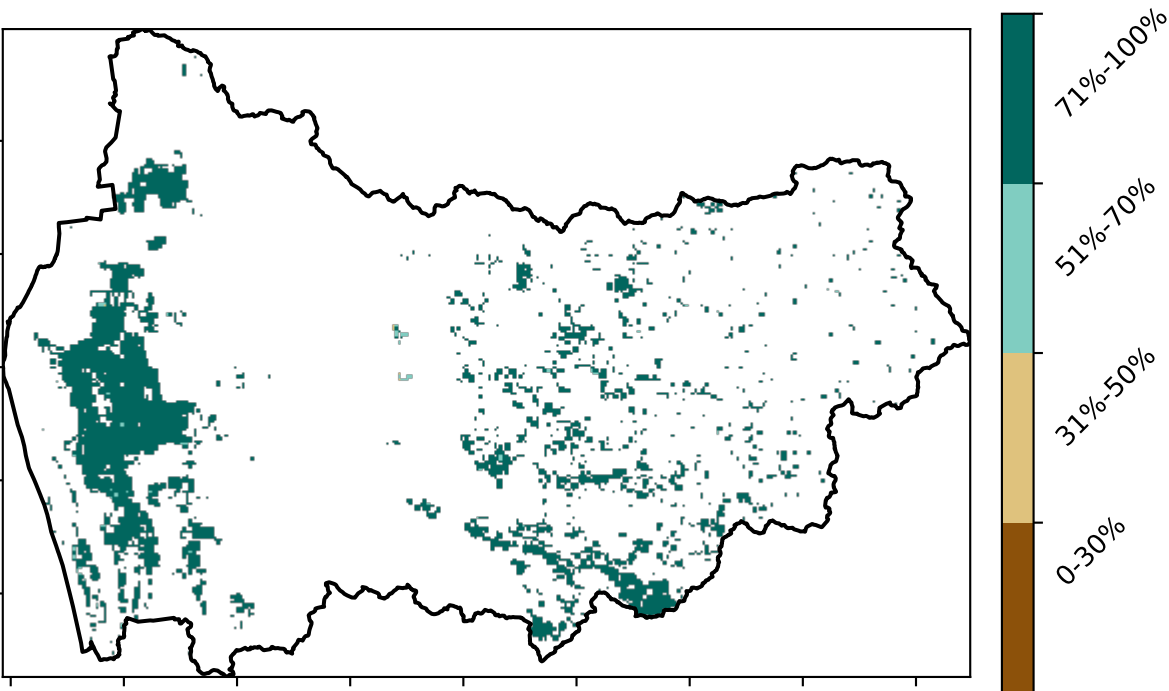


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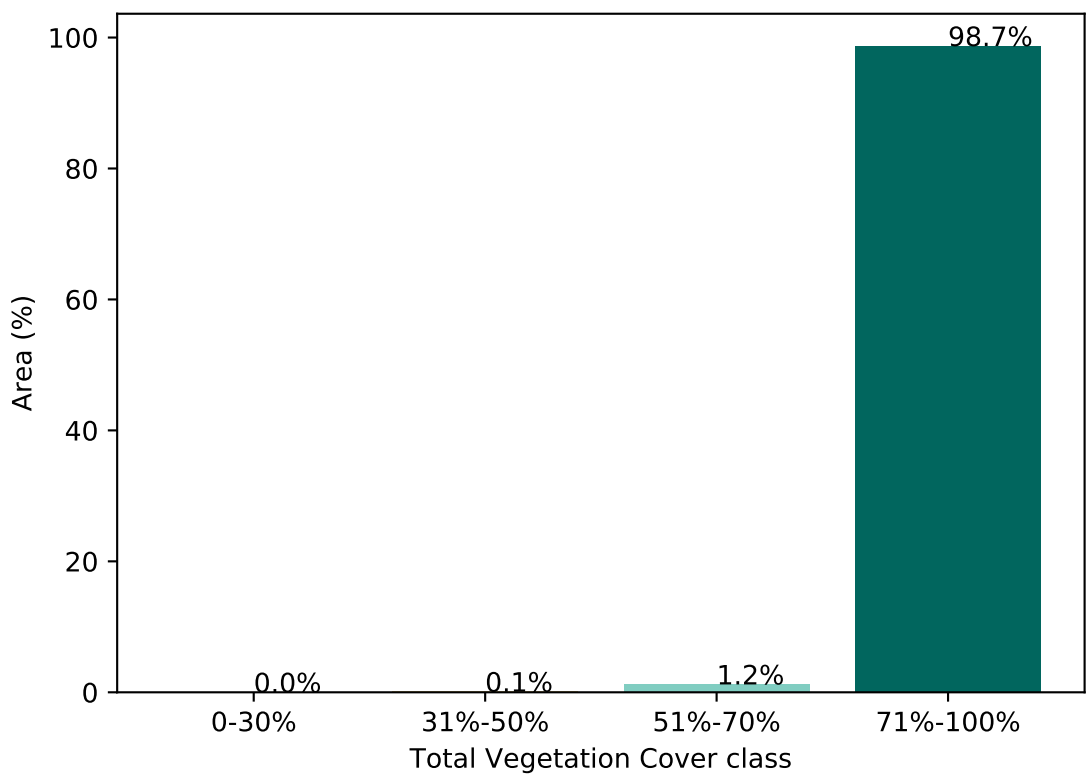
Land use and forest cover



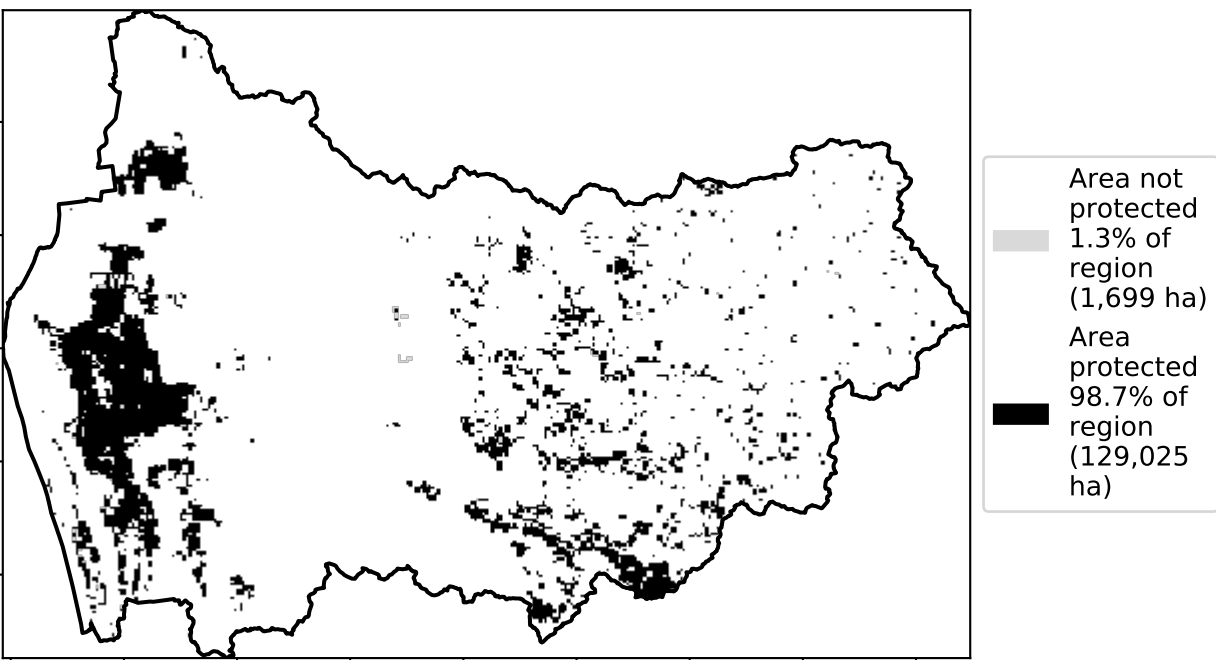
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



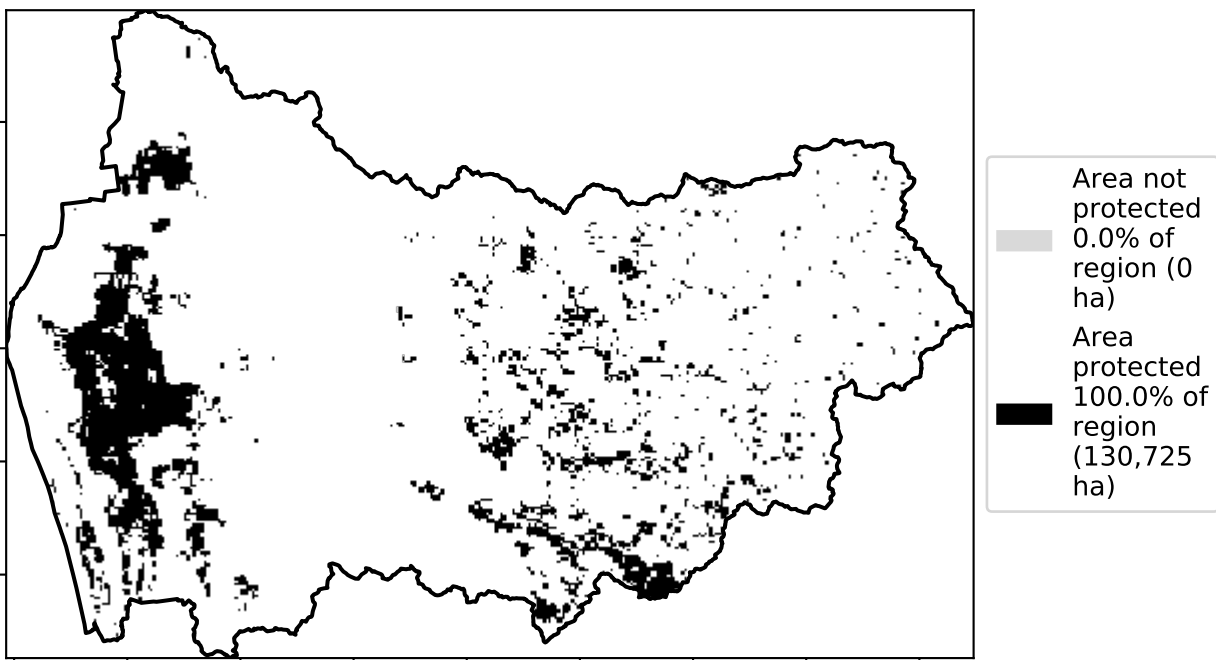
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



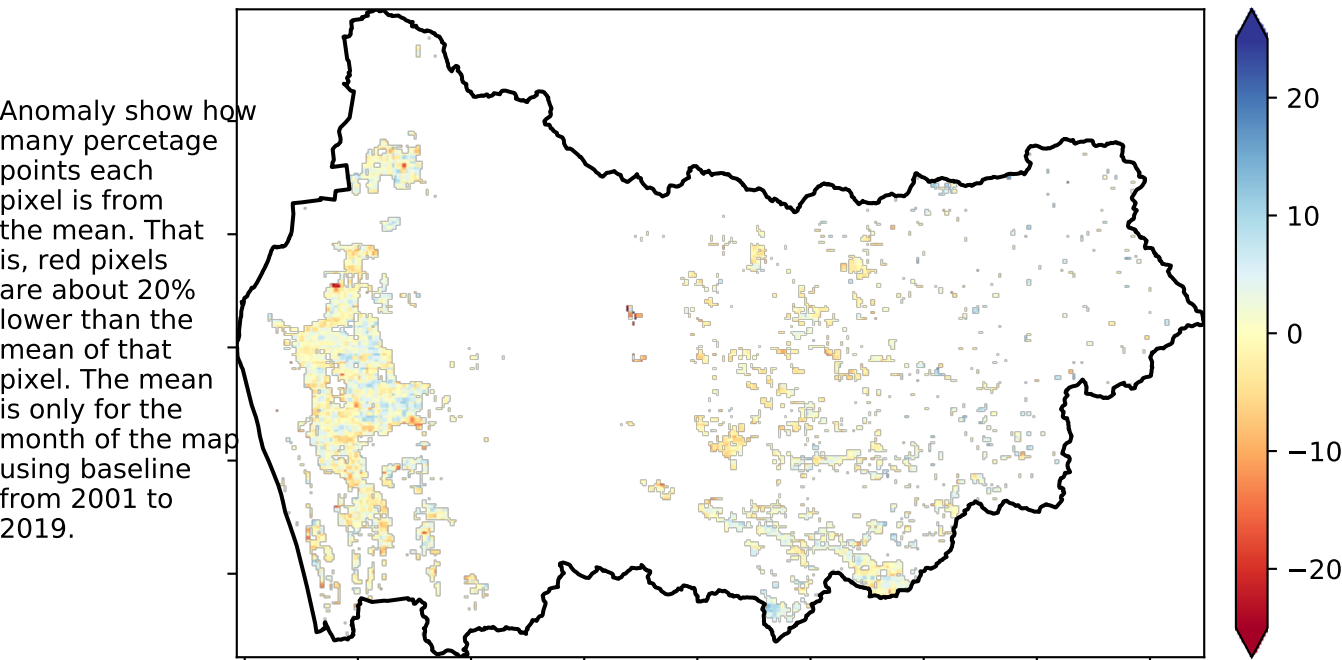
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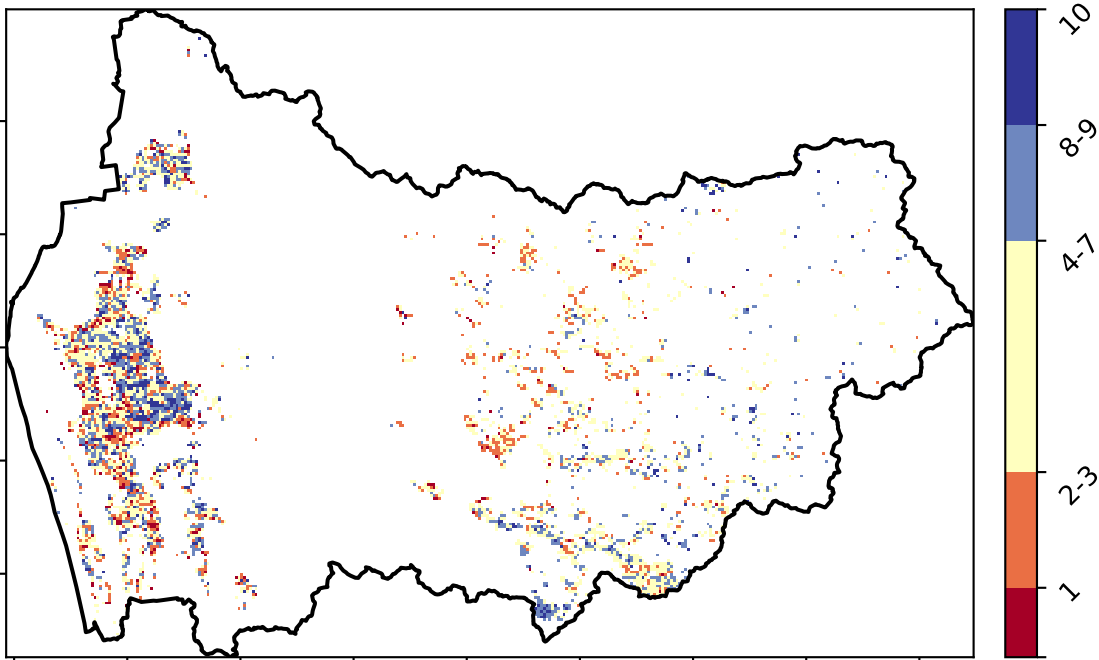


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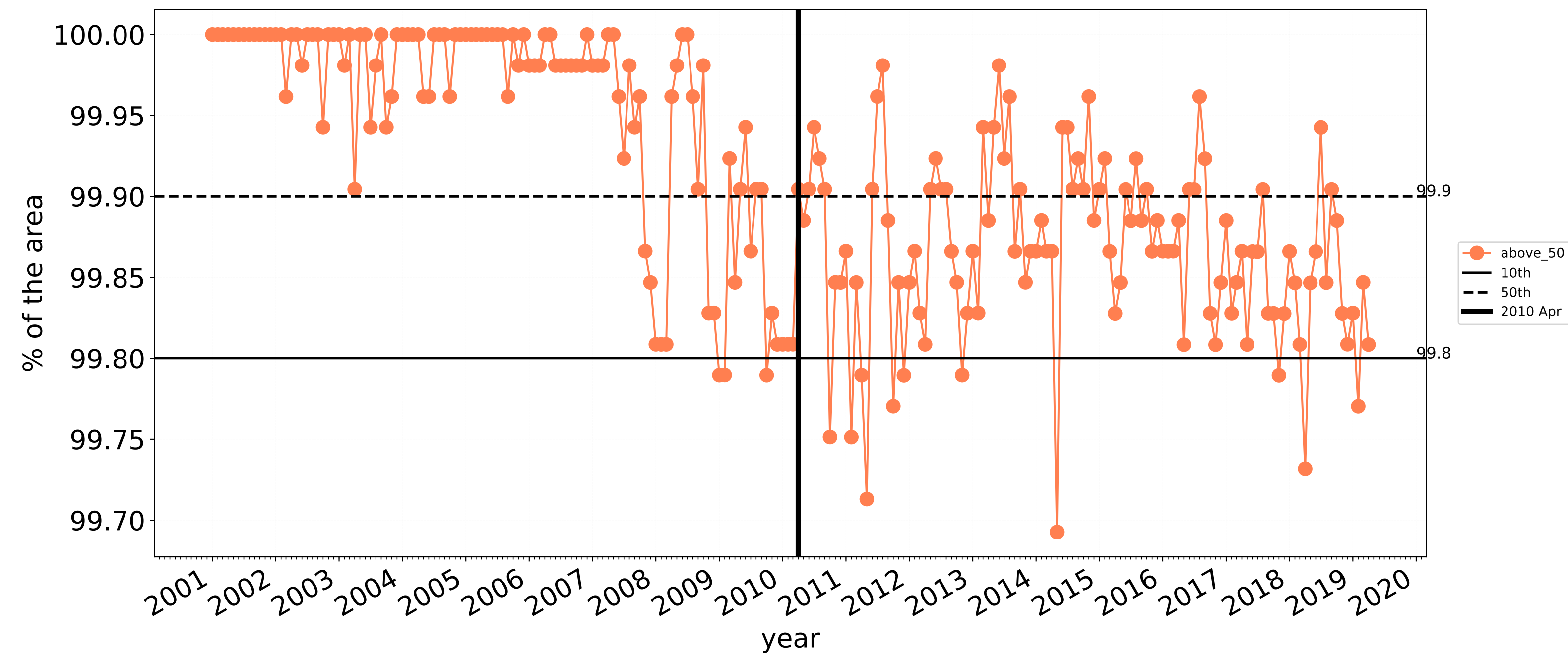


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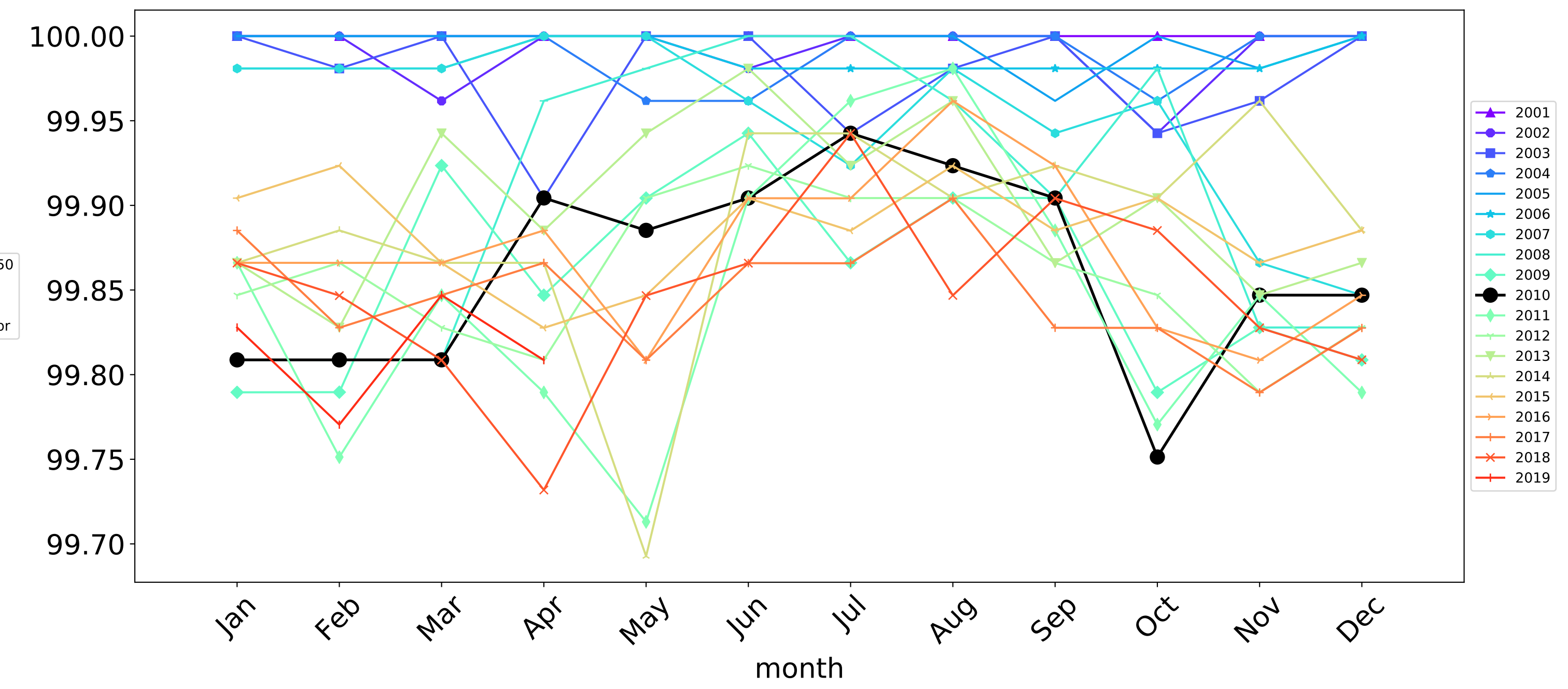


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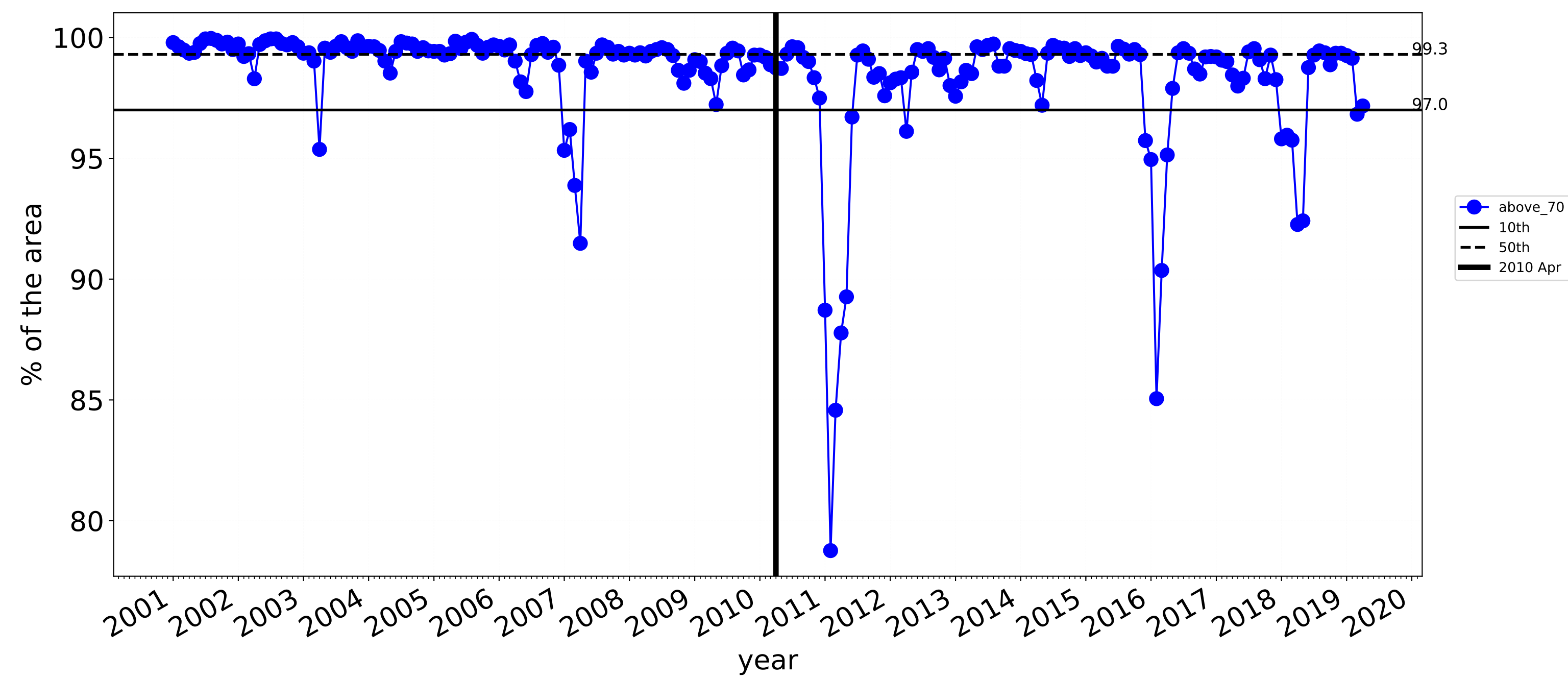
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



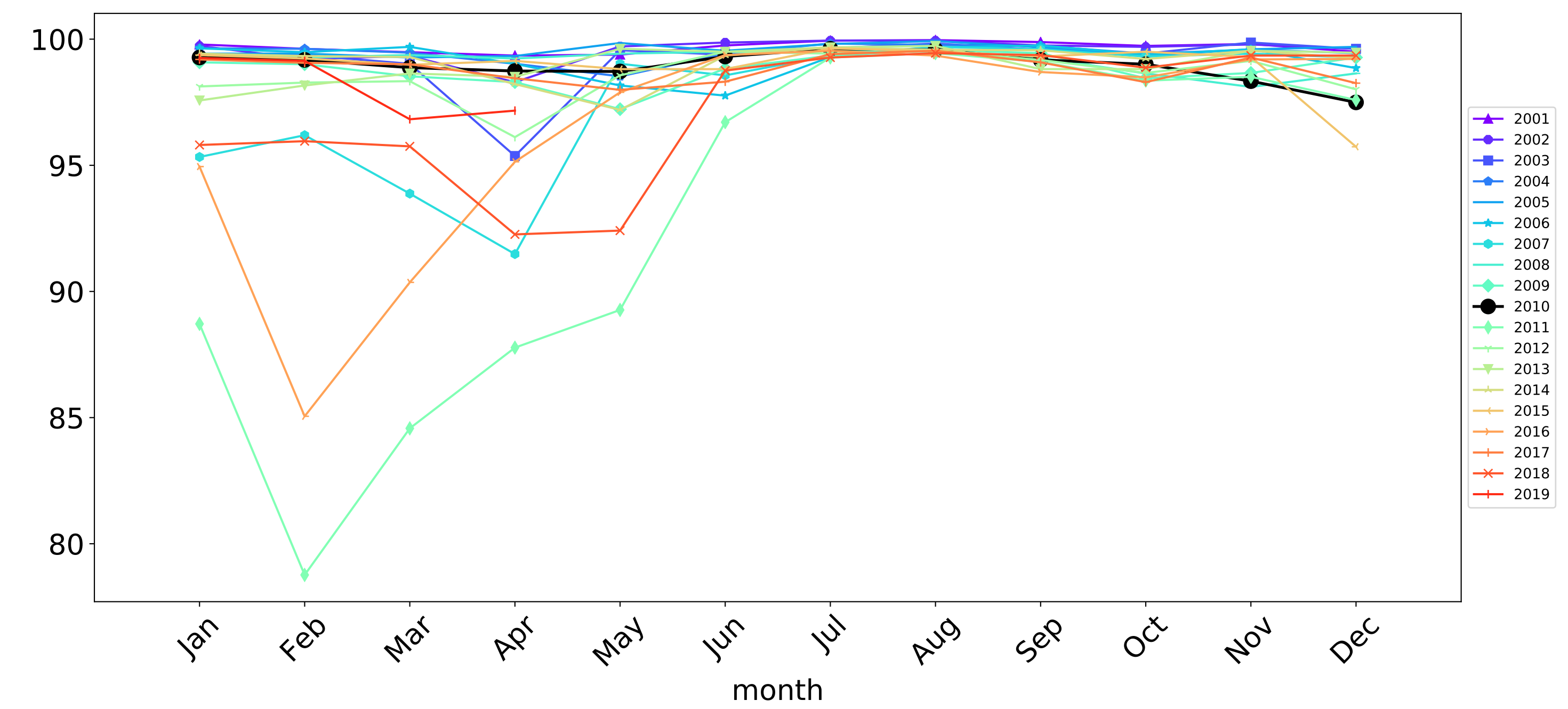
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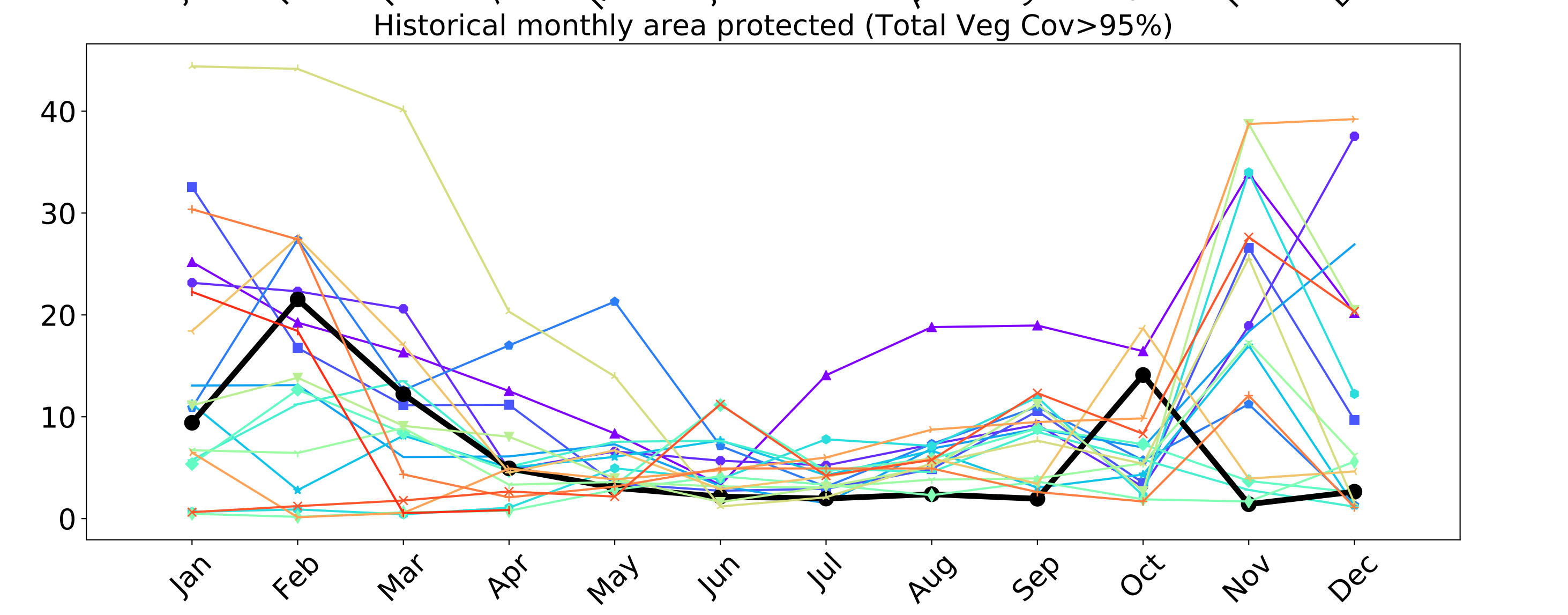
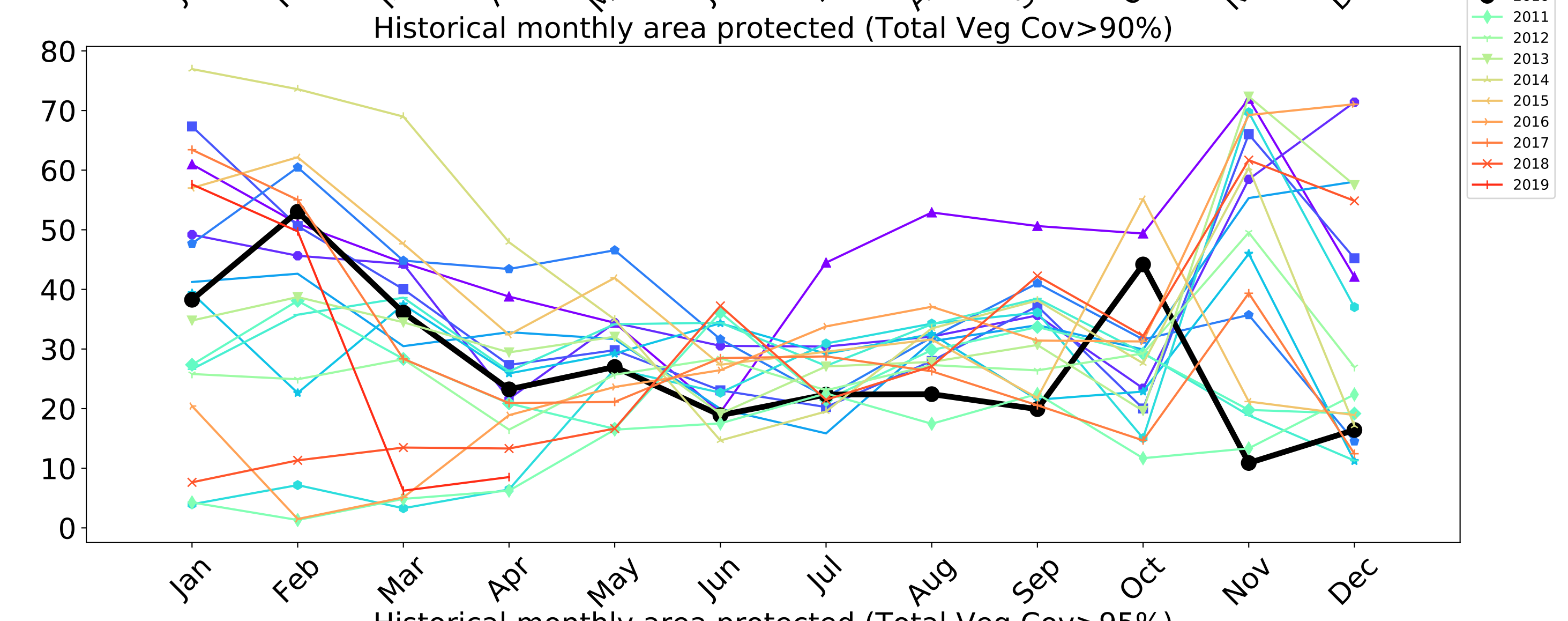
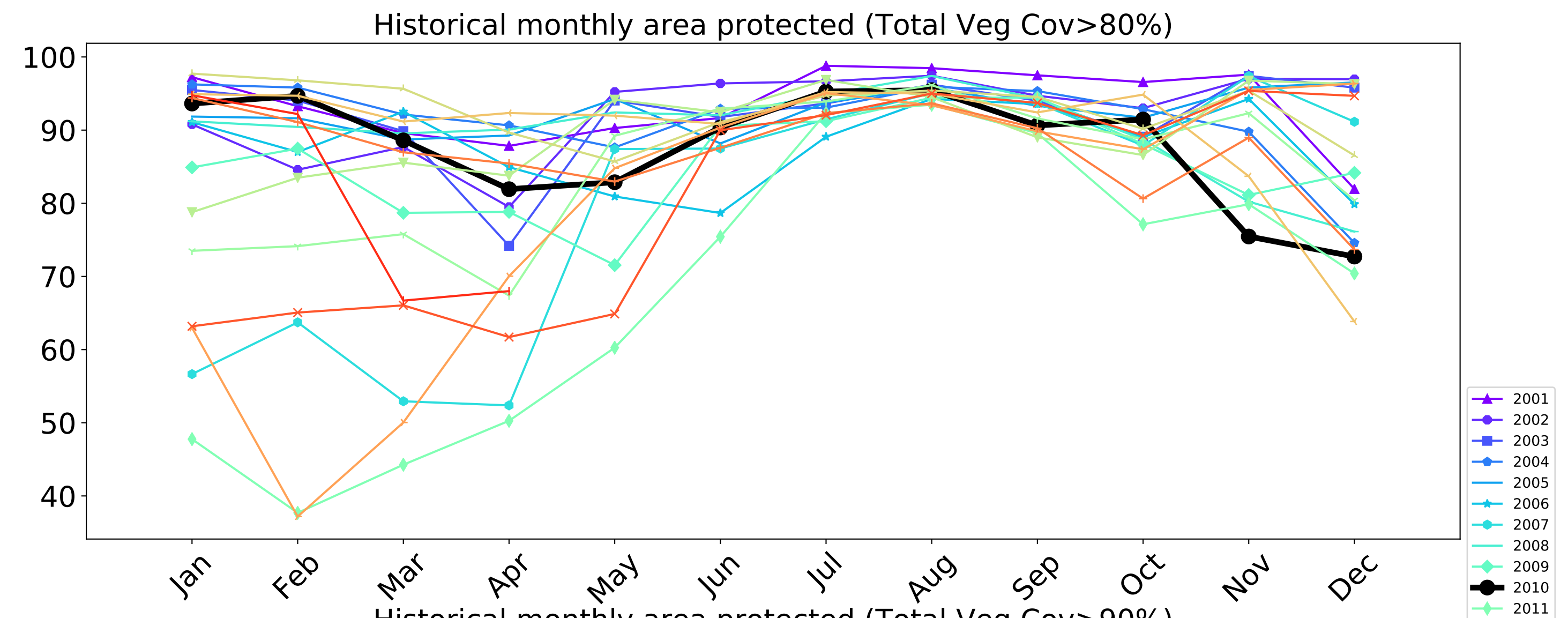
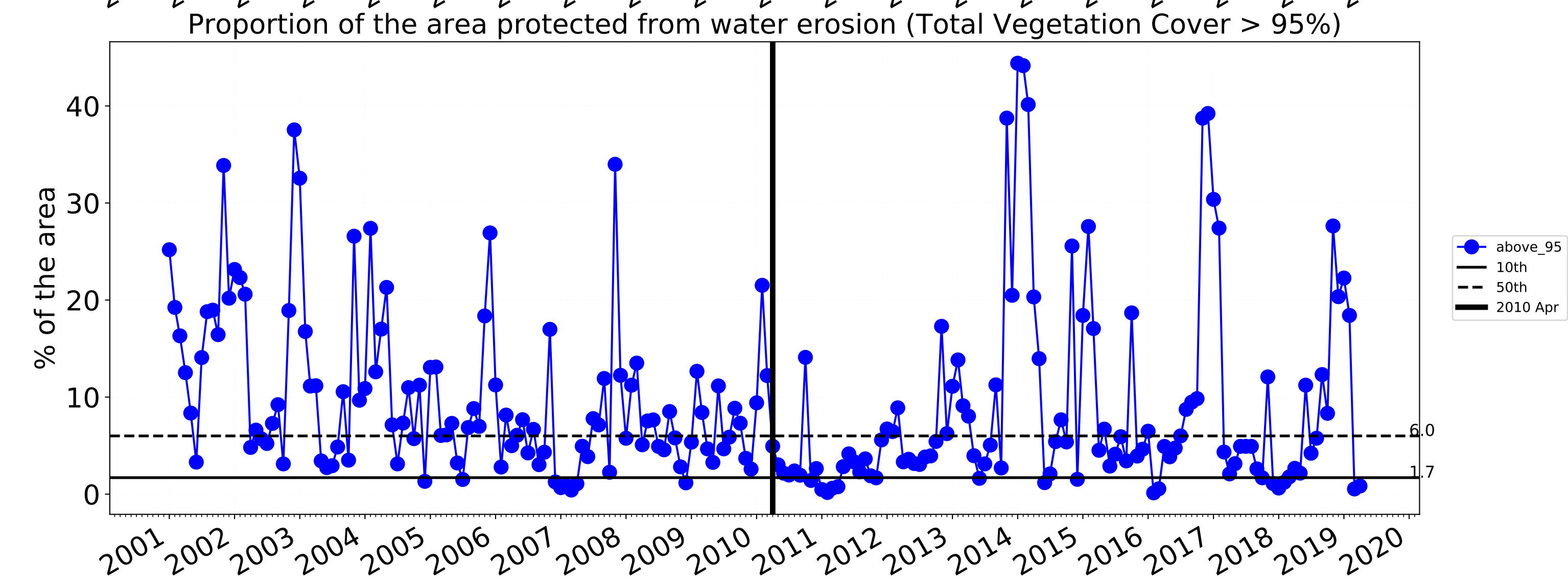
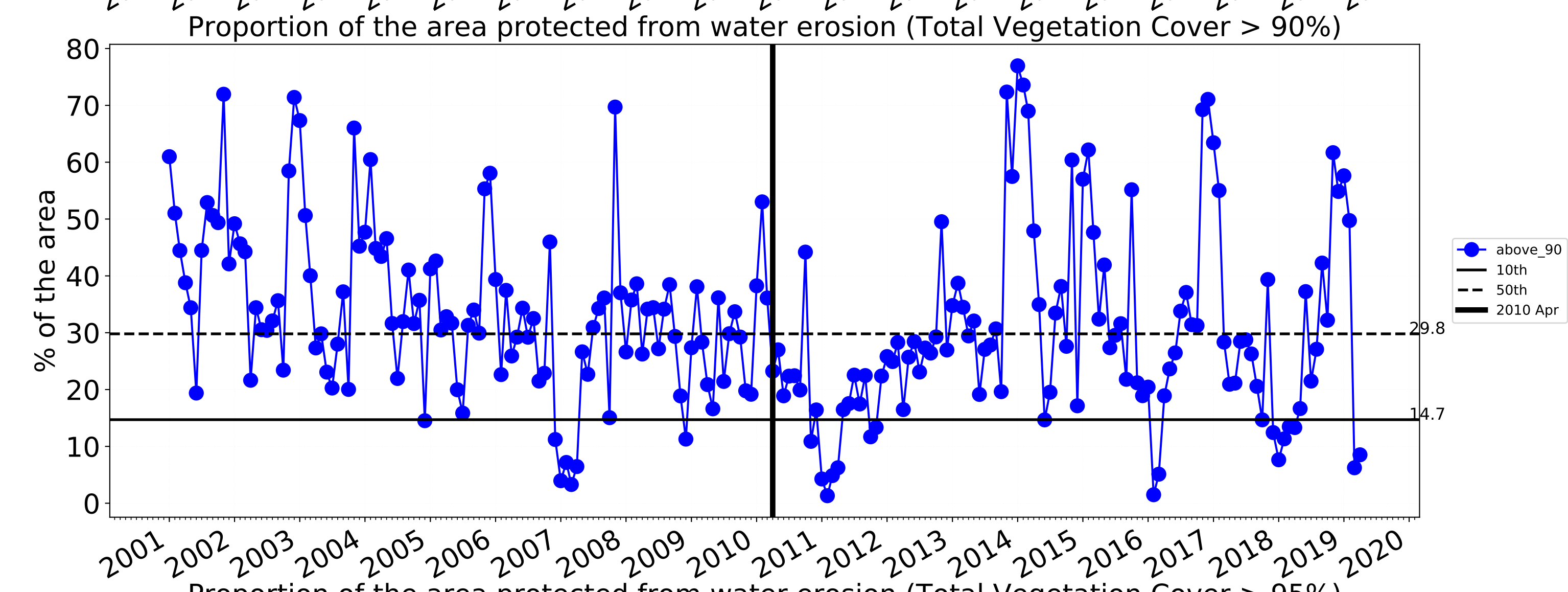
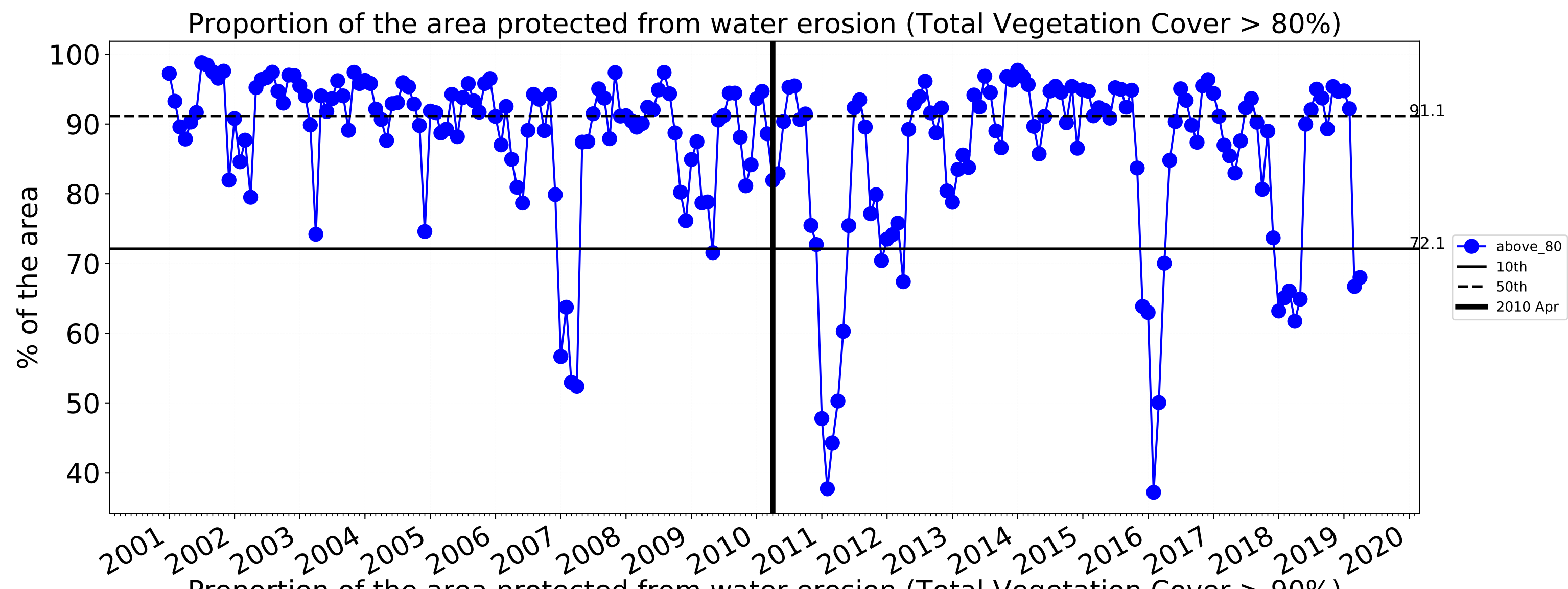
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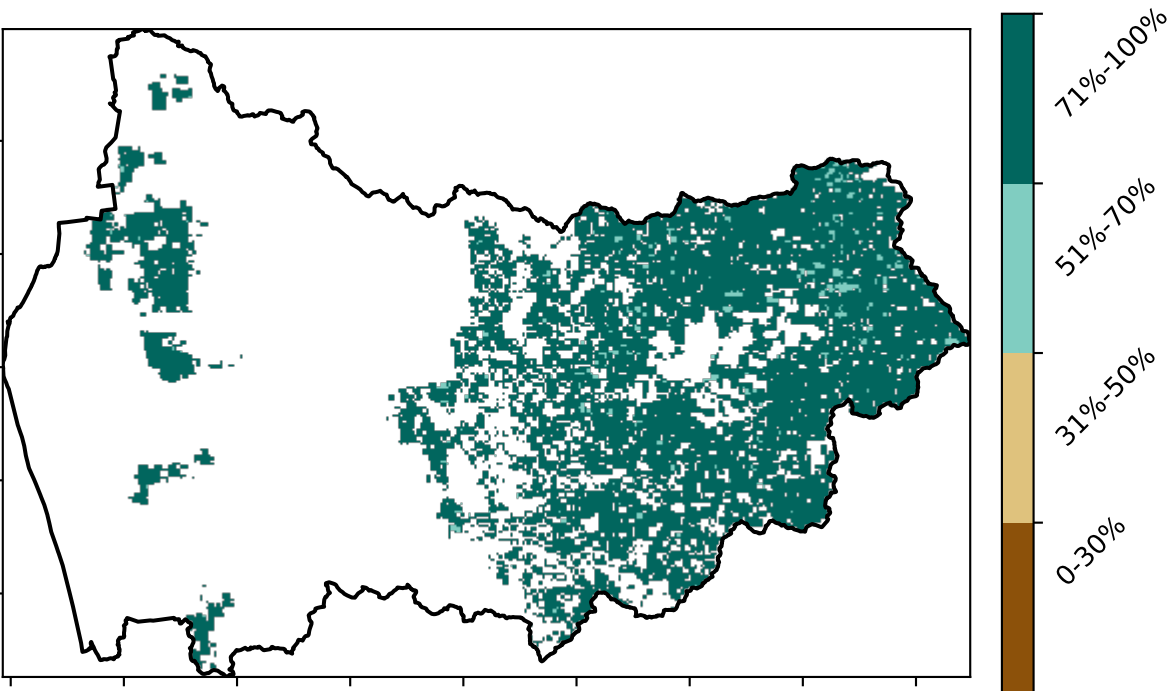


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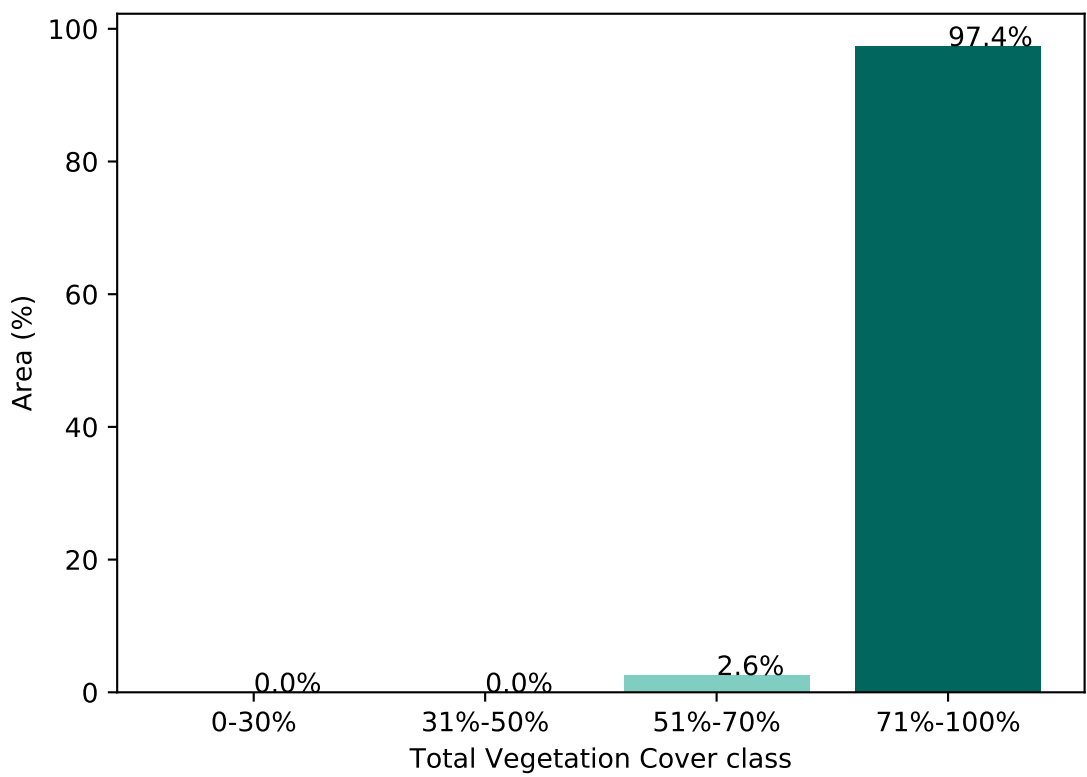
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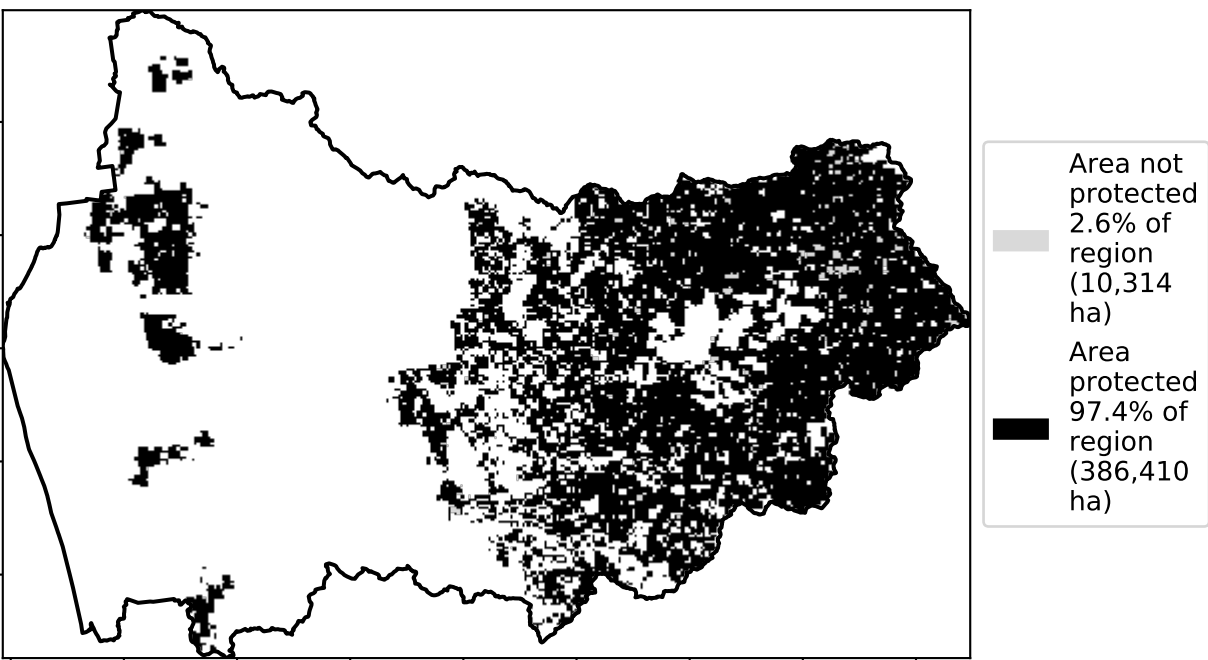
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



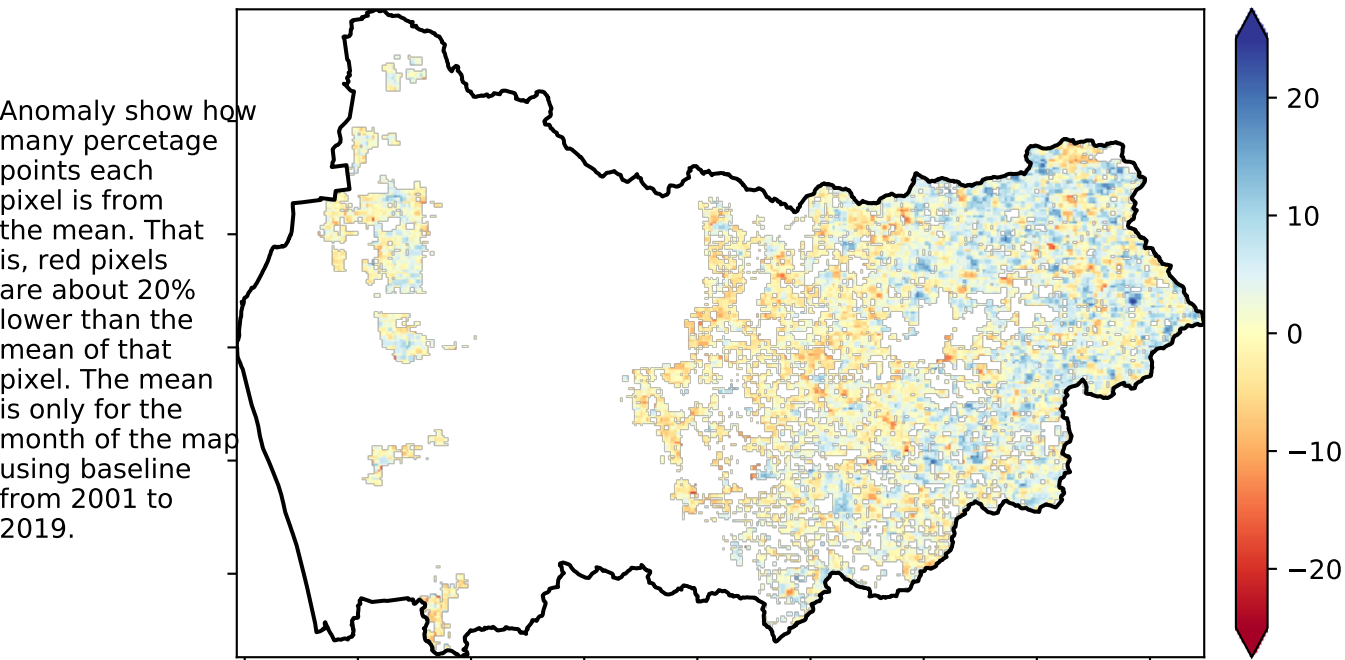
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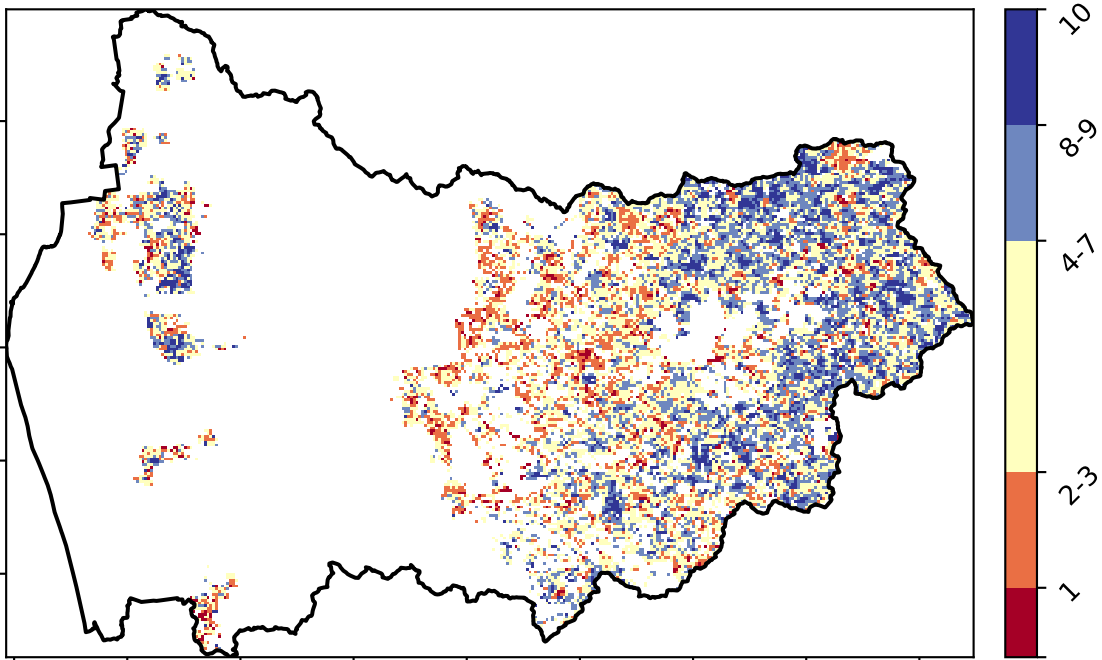


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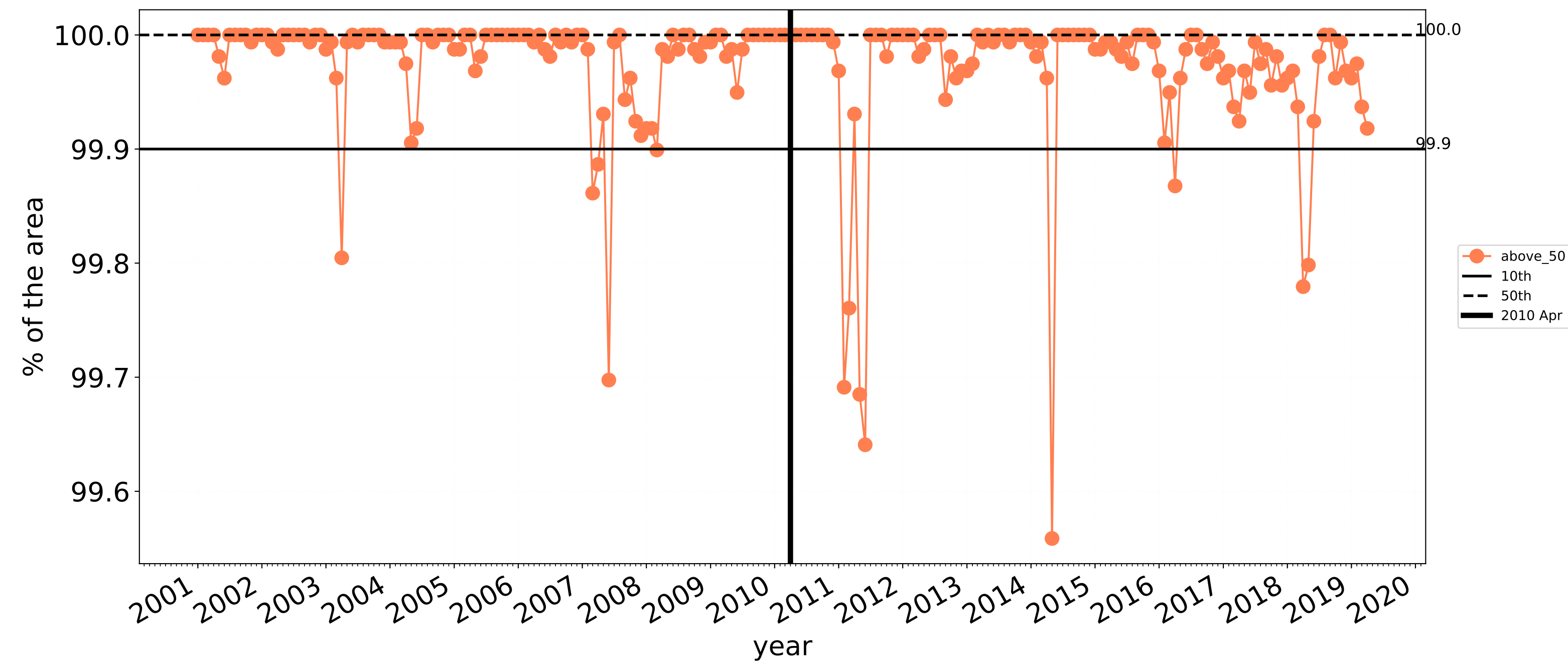


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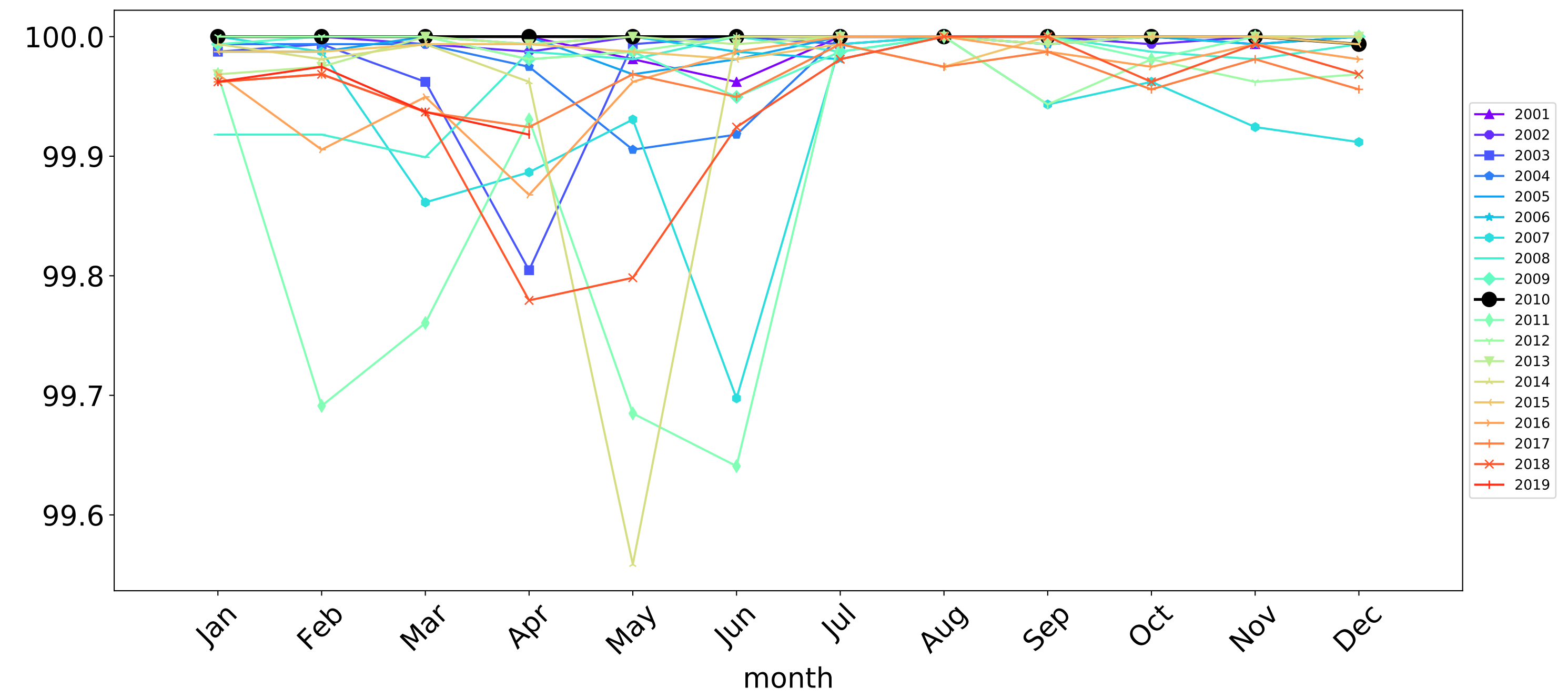


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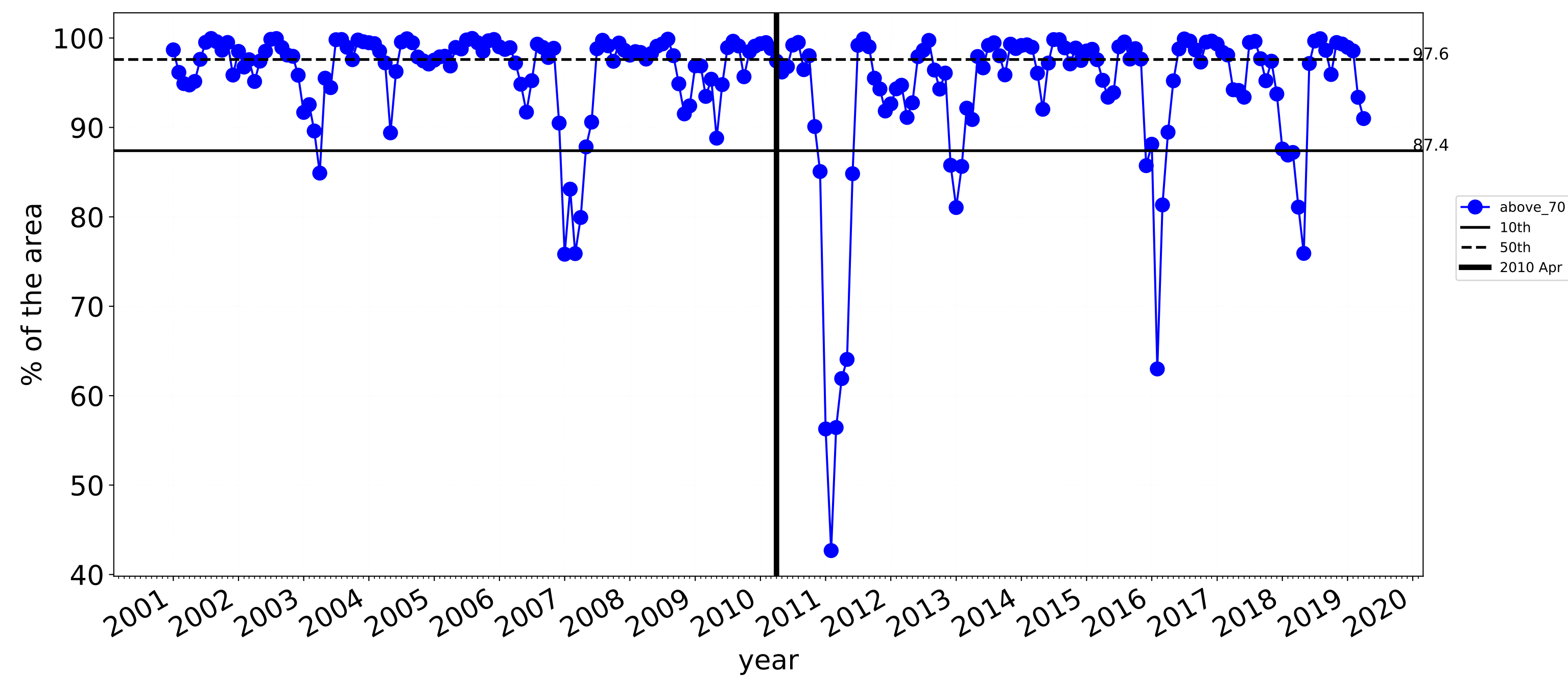
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



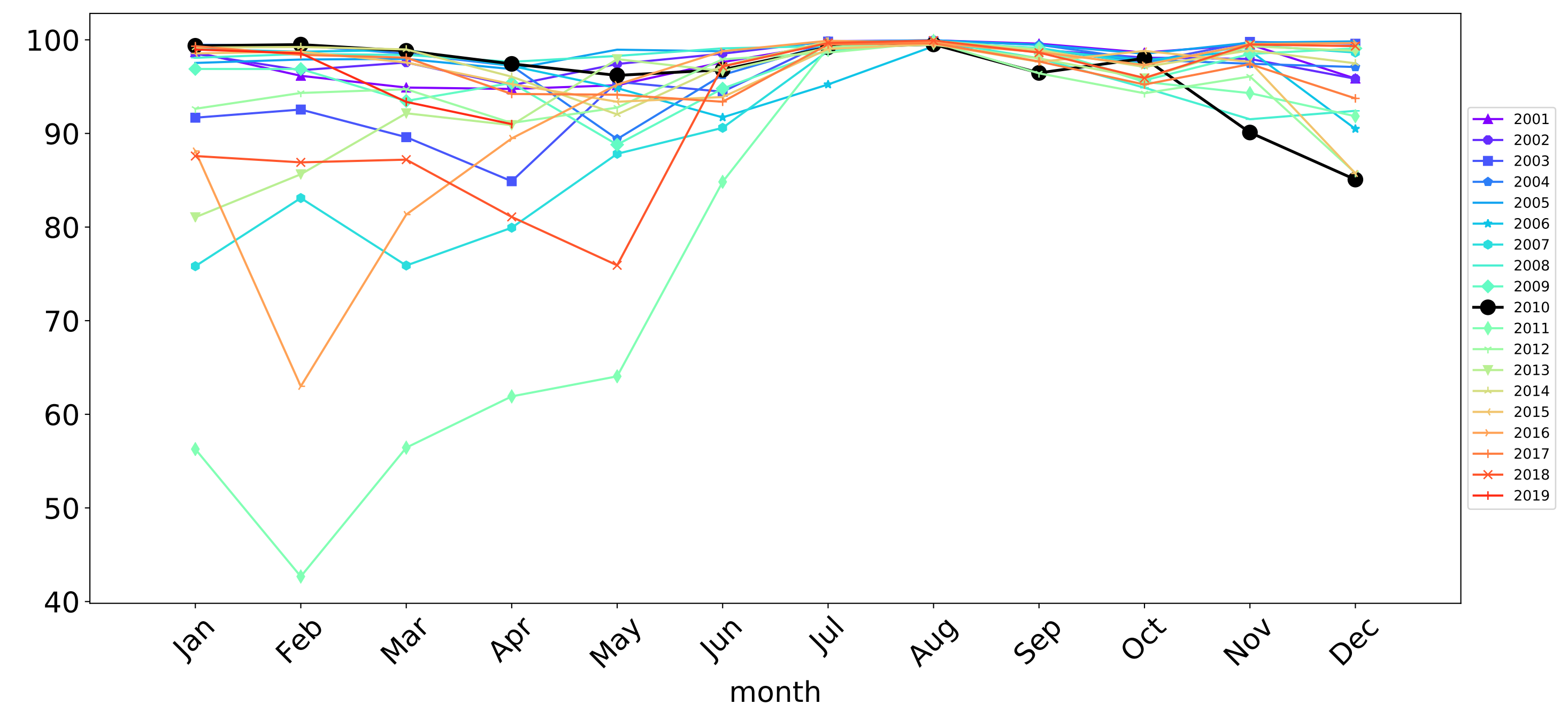
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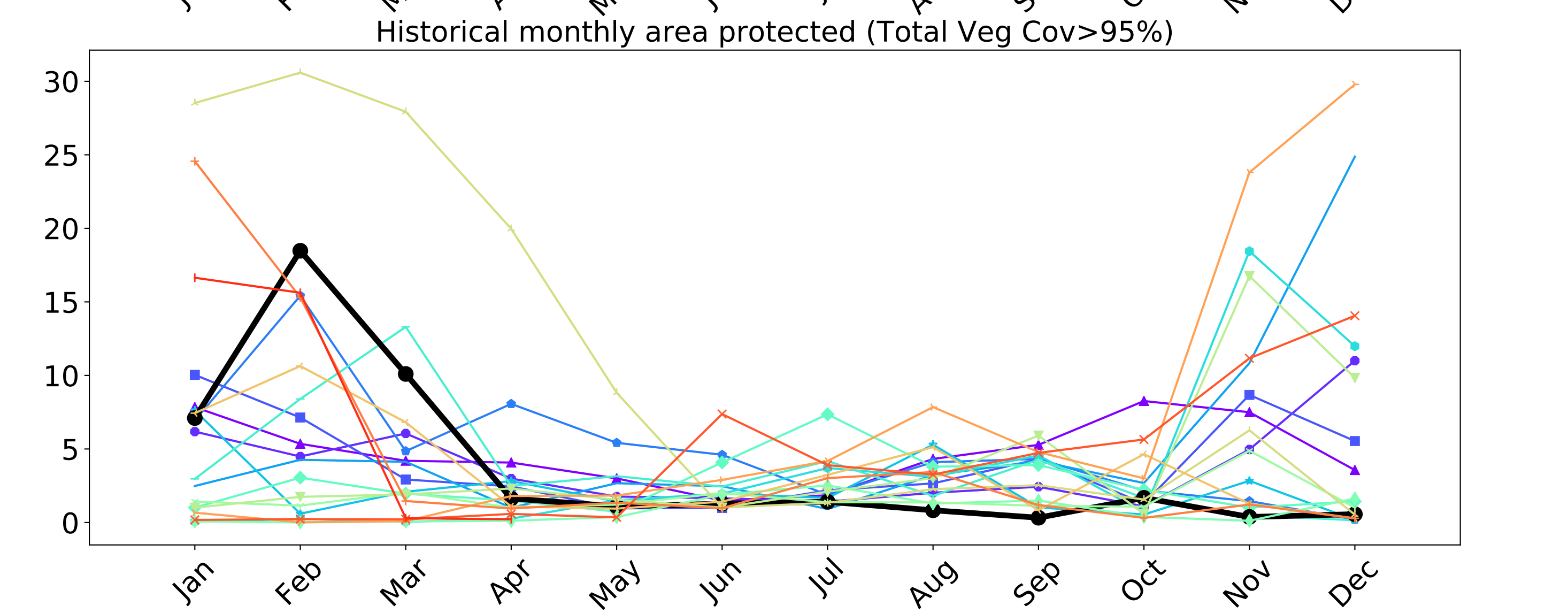
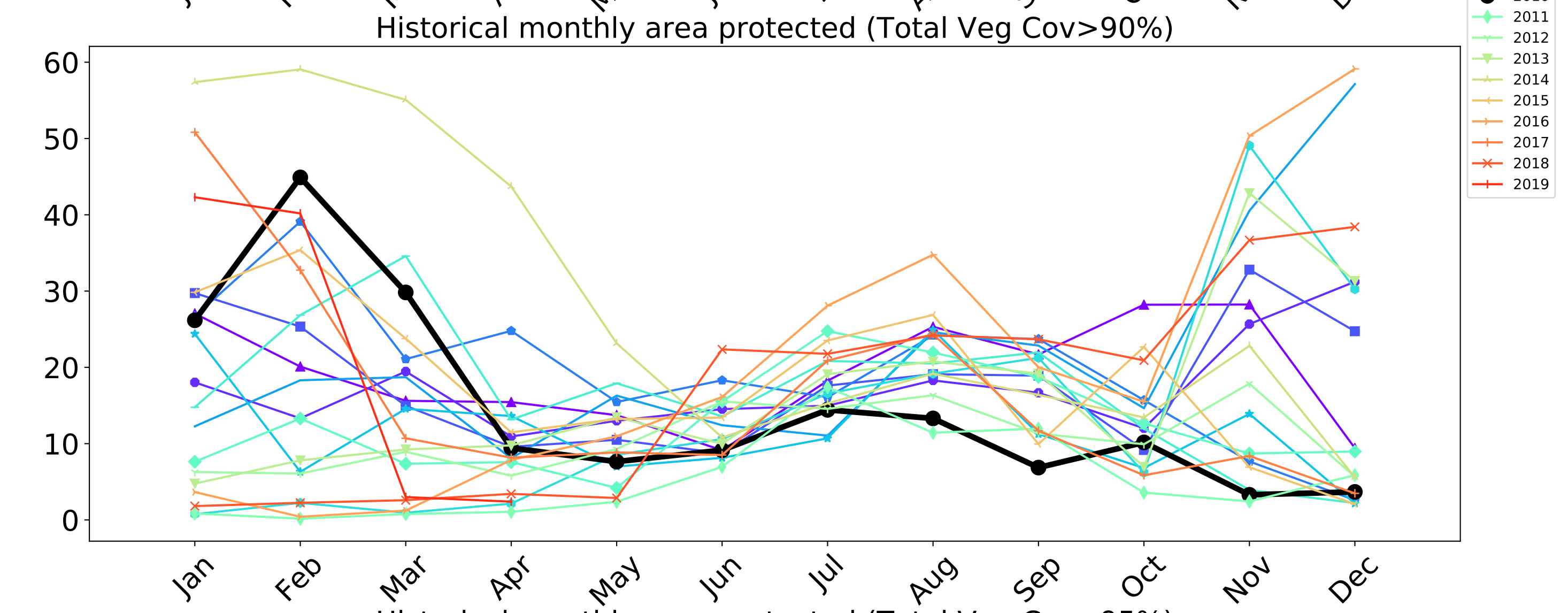
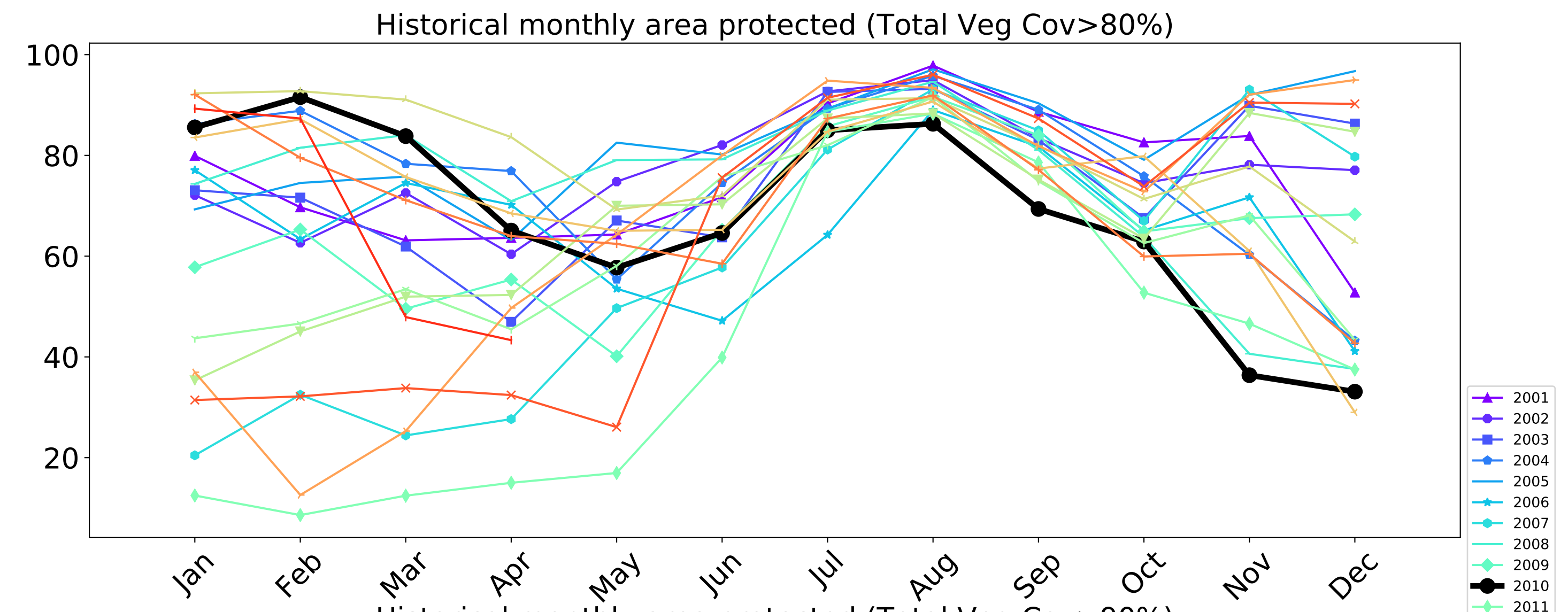
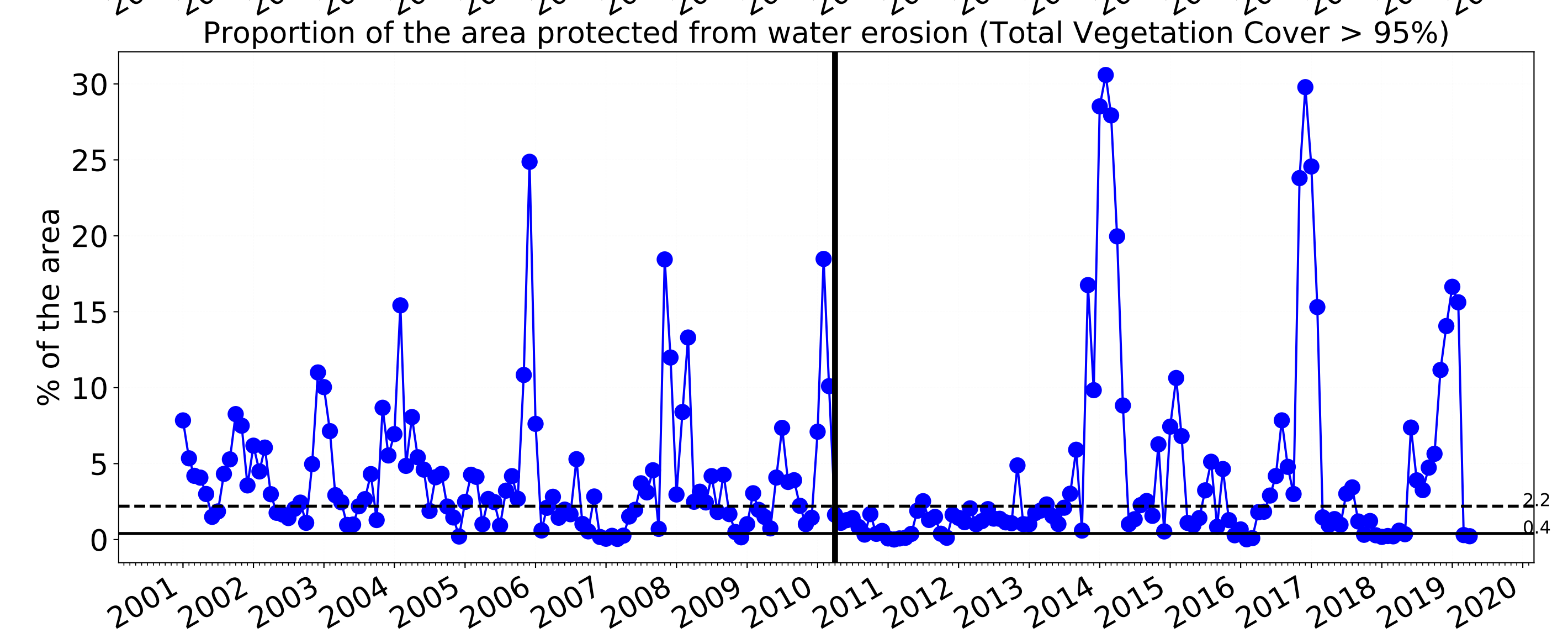
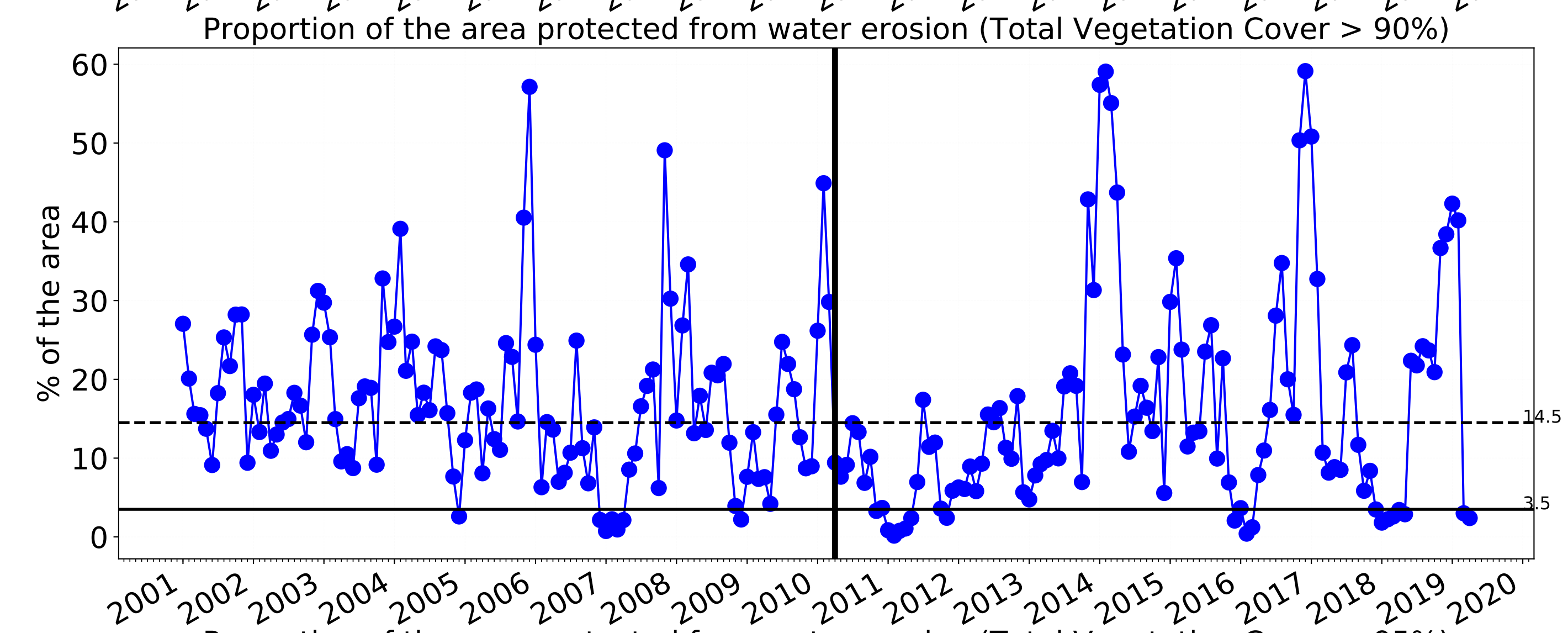
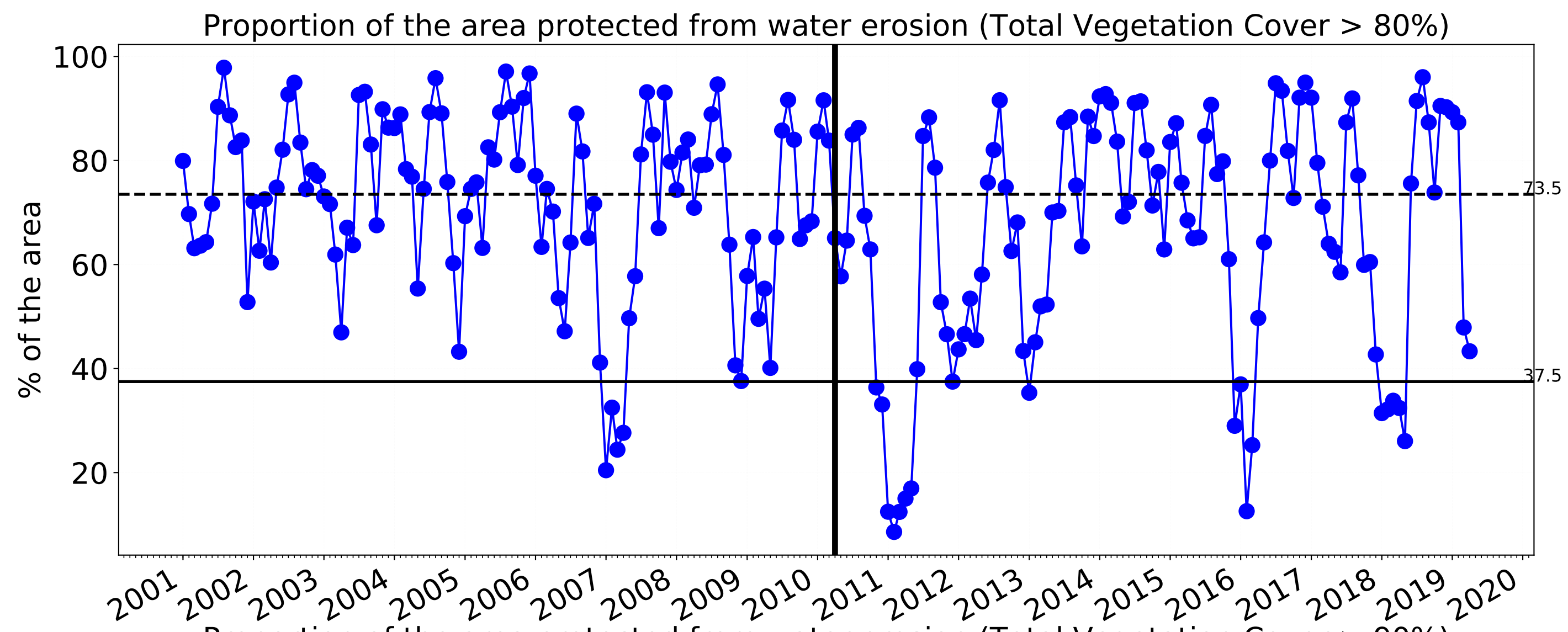
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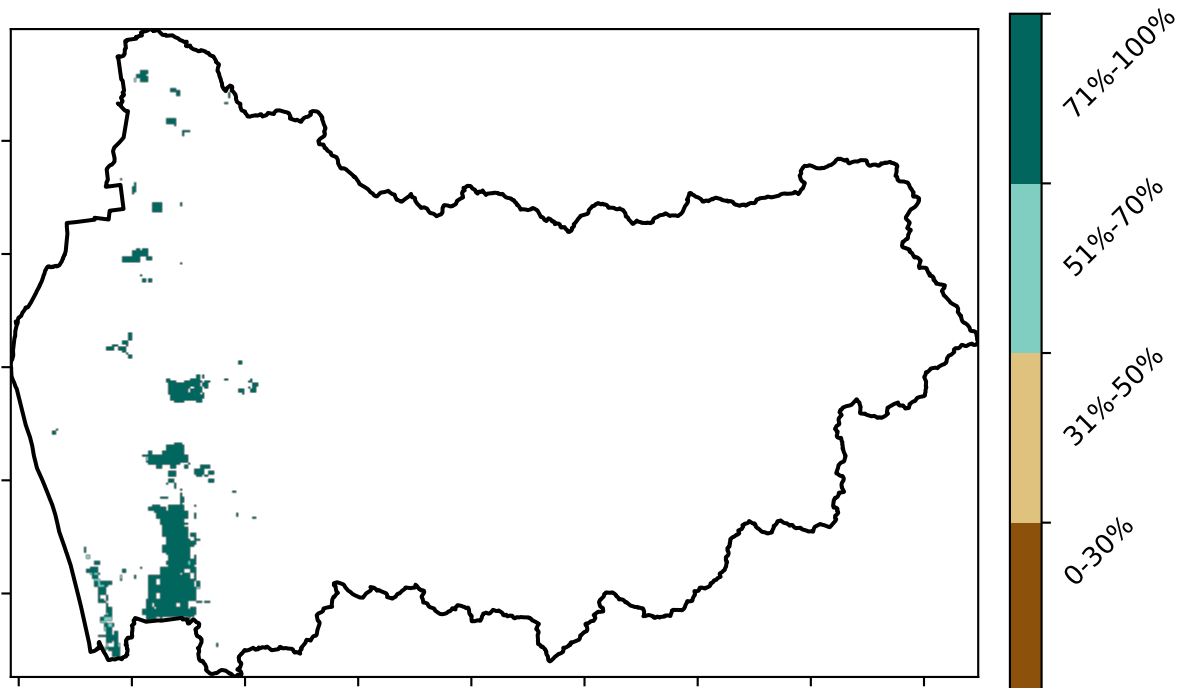
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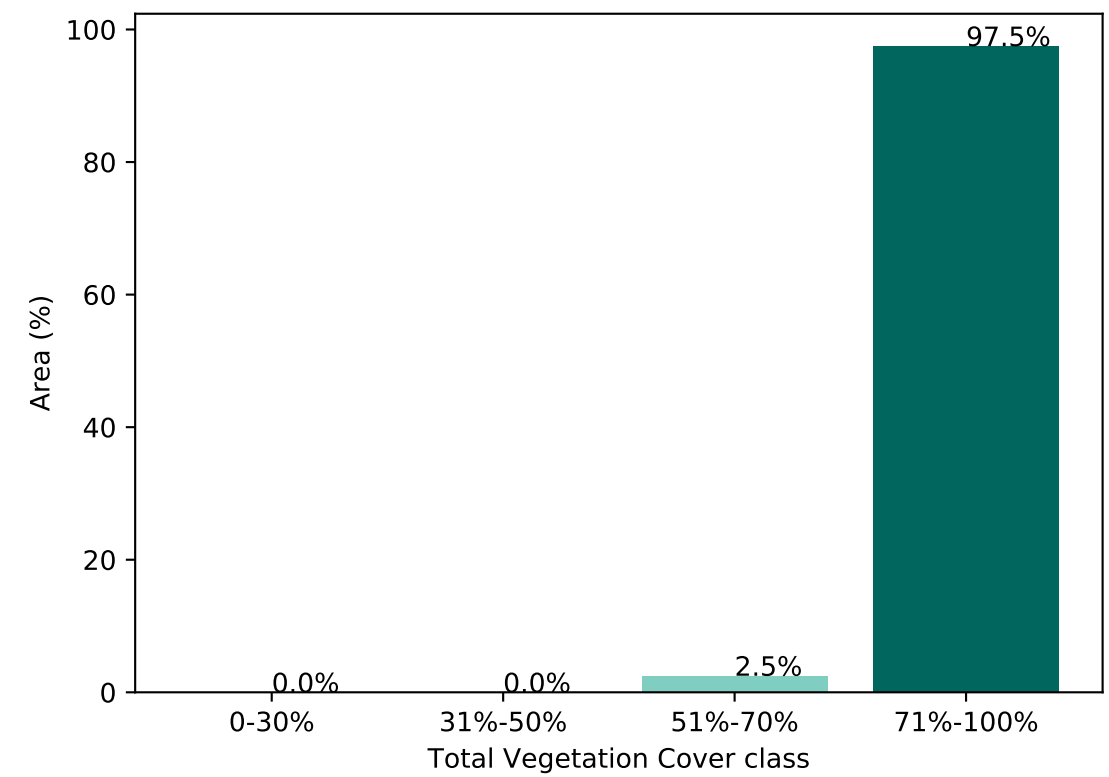
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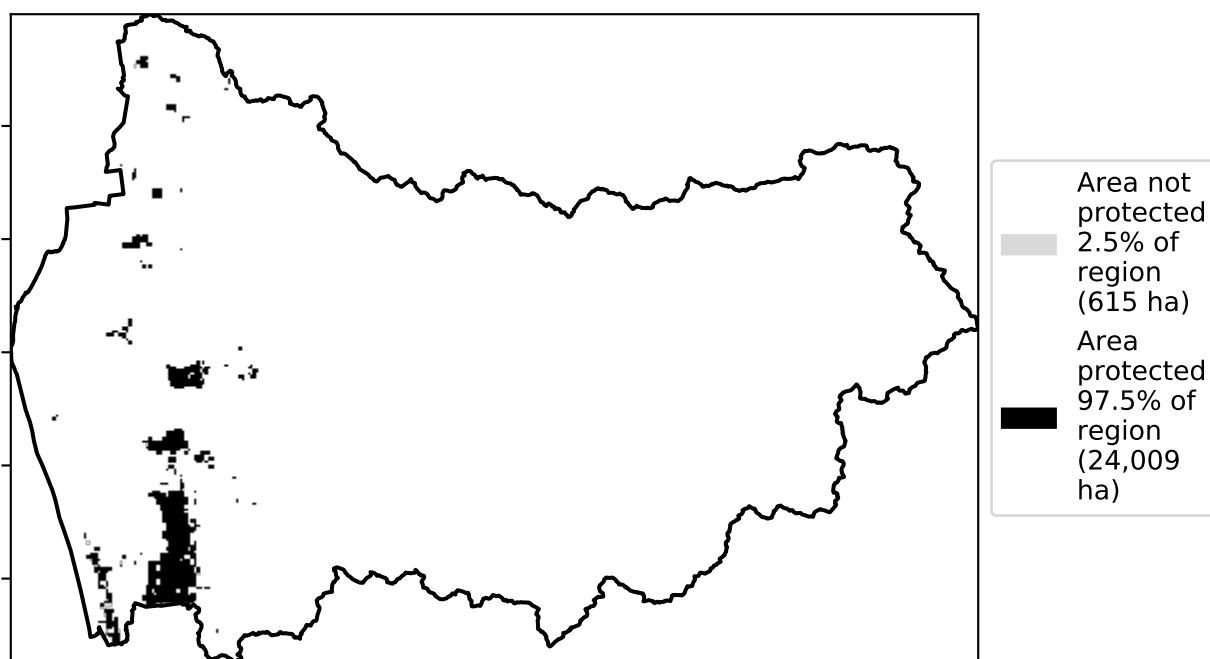
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



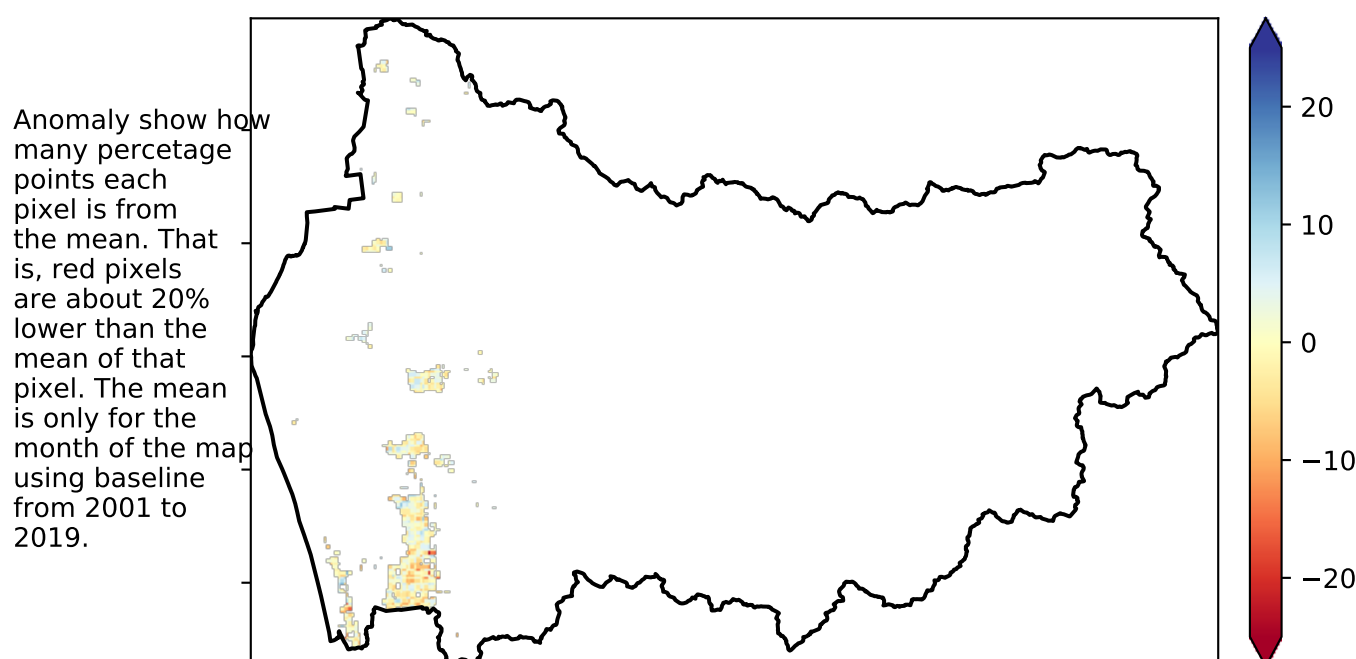
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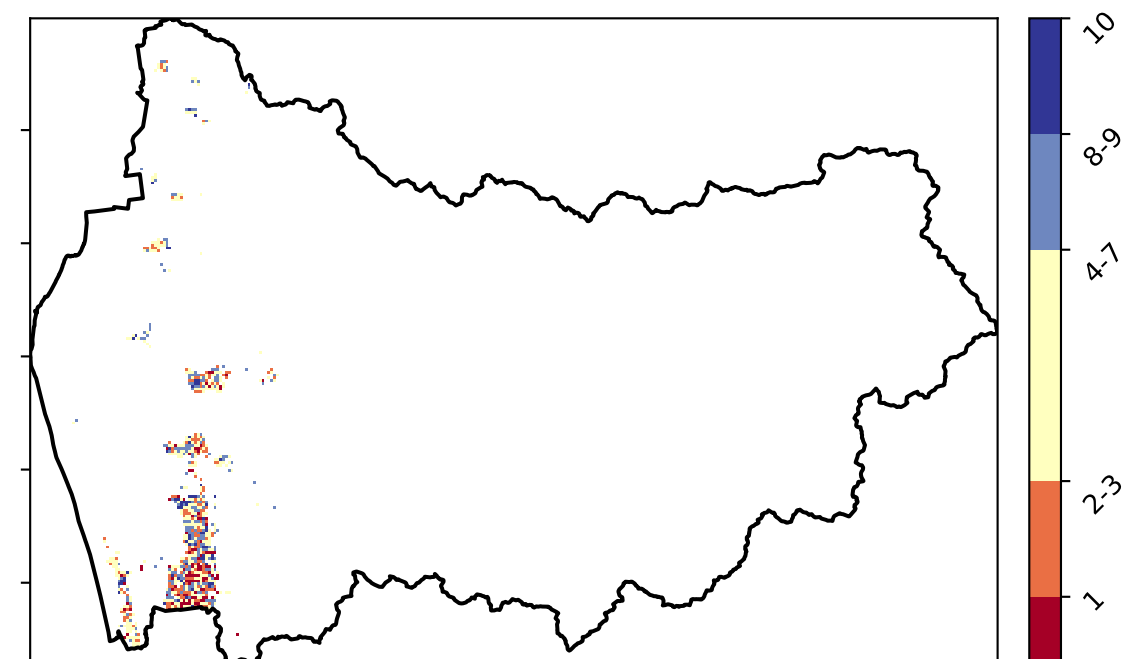


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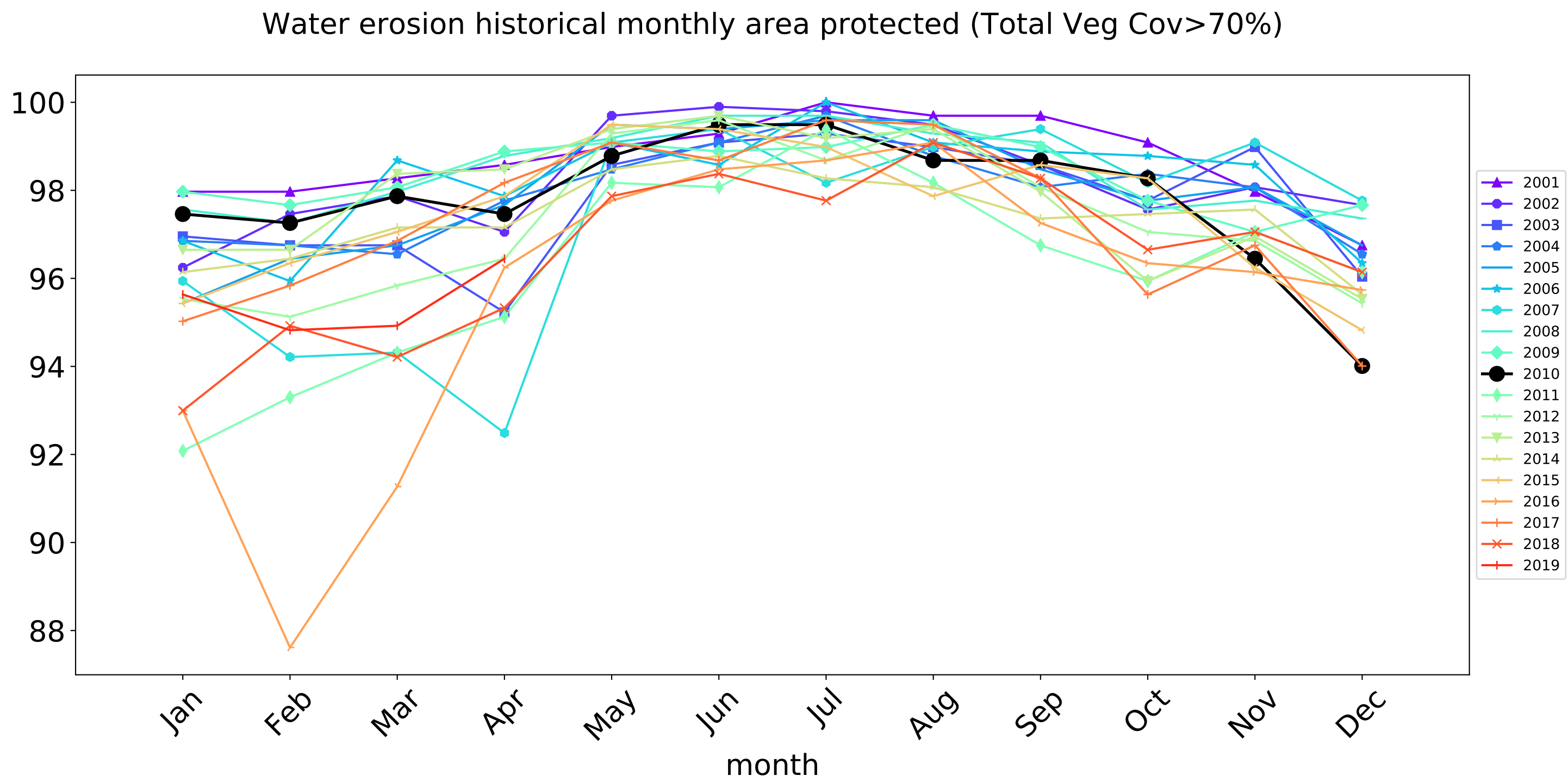
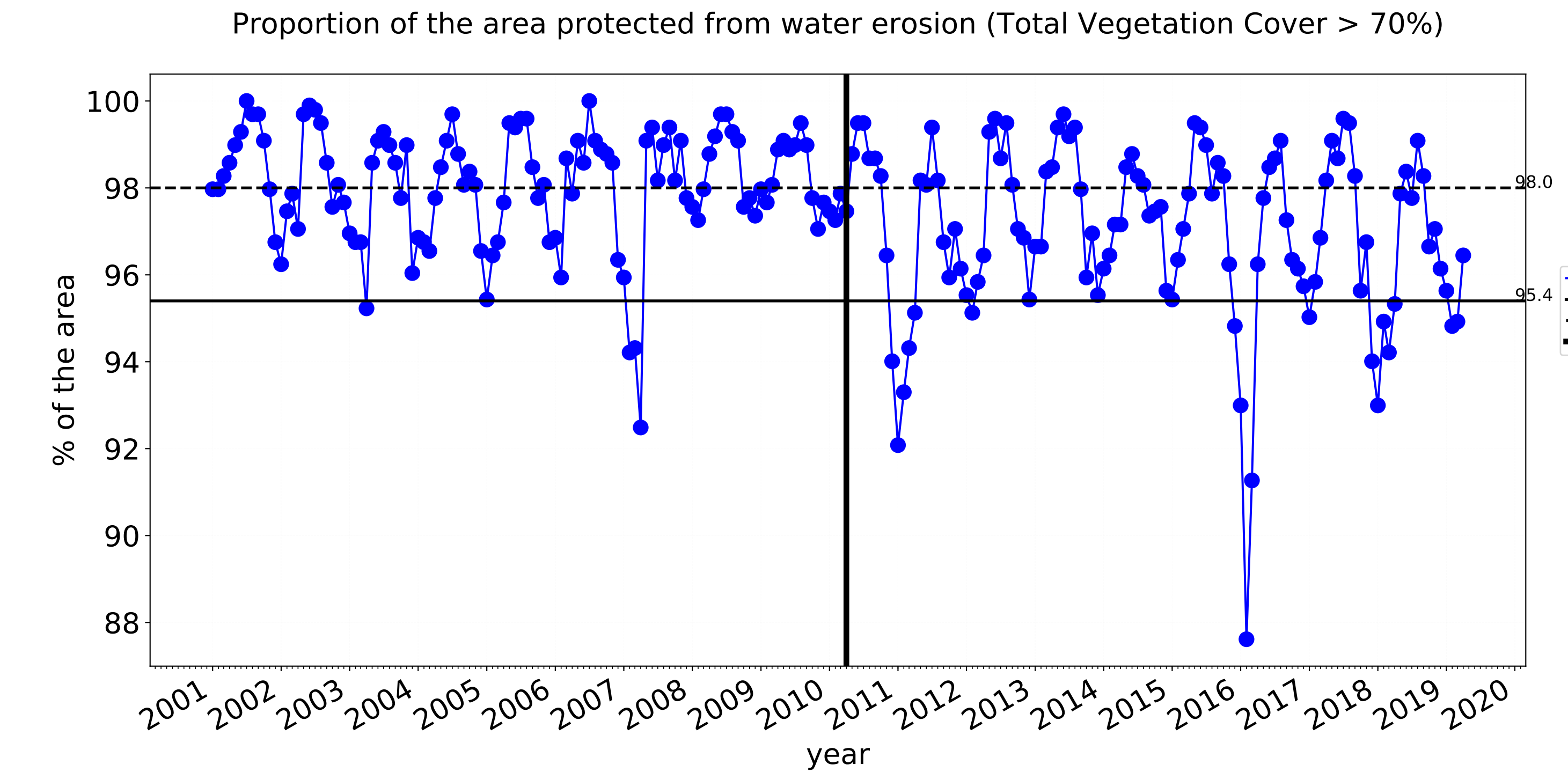
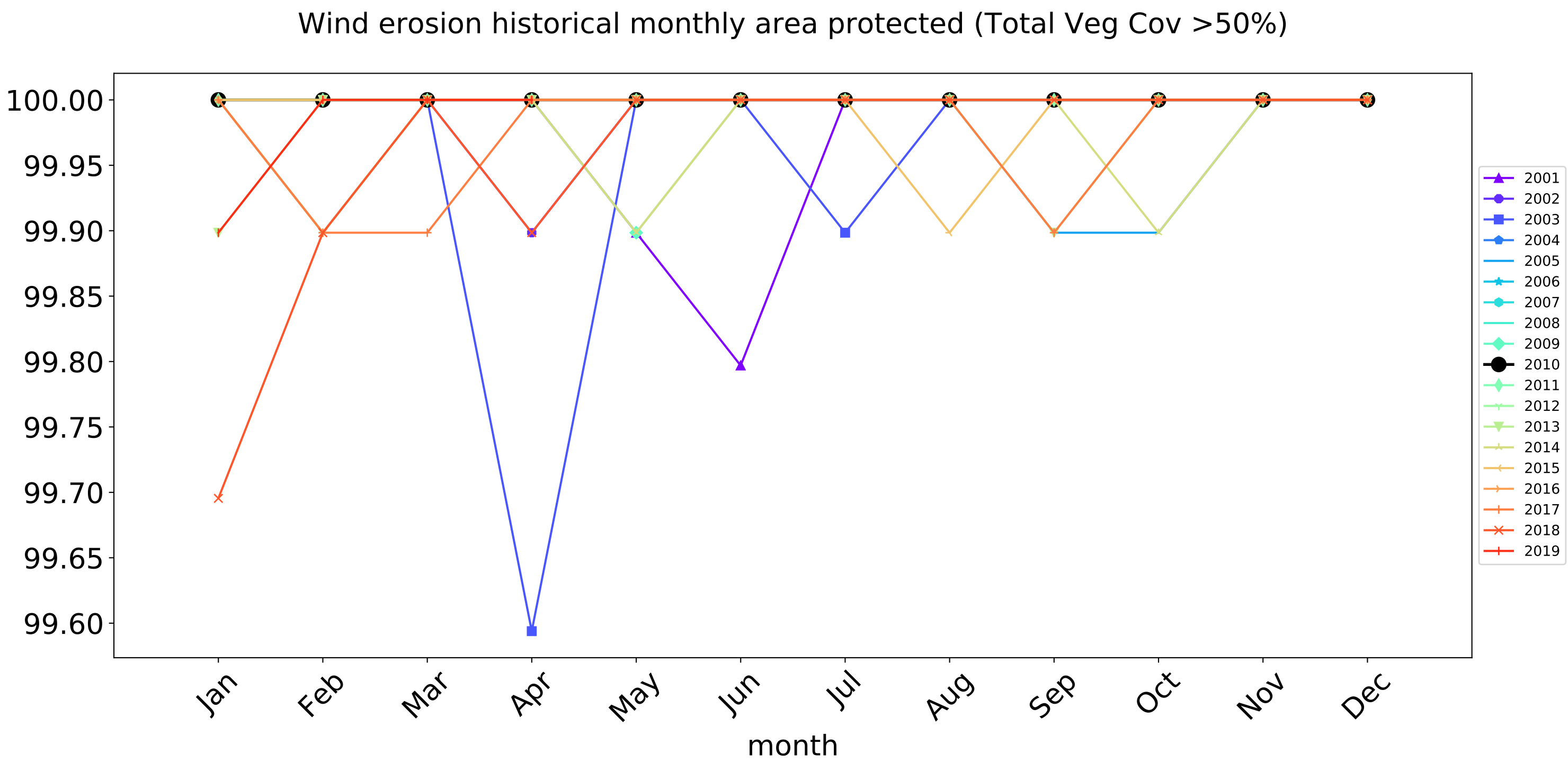
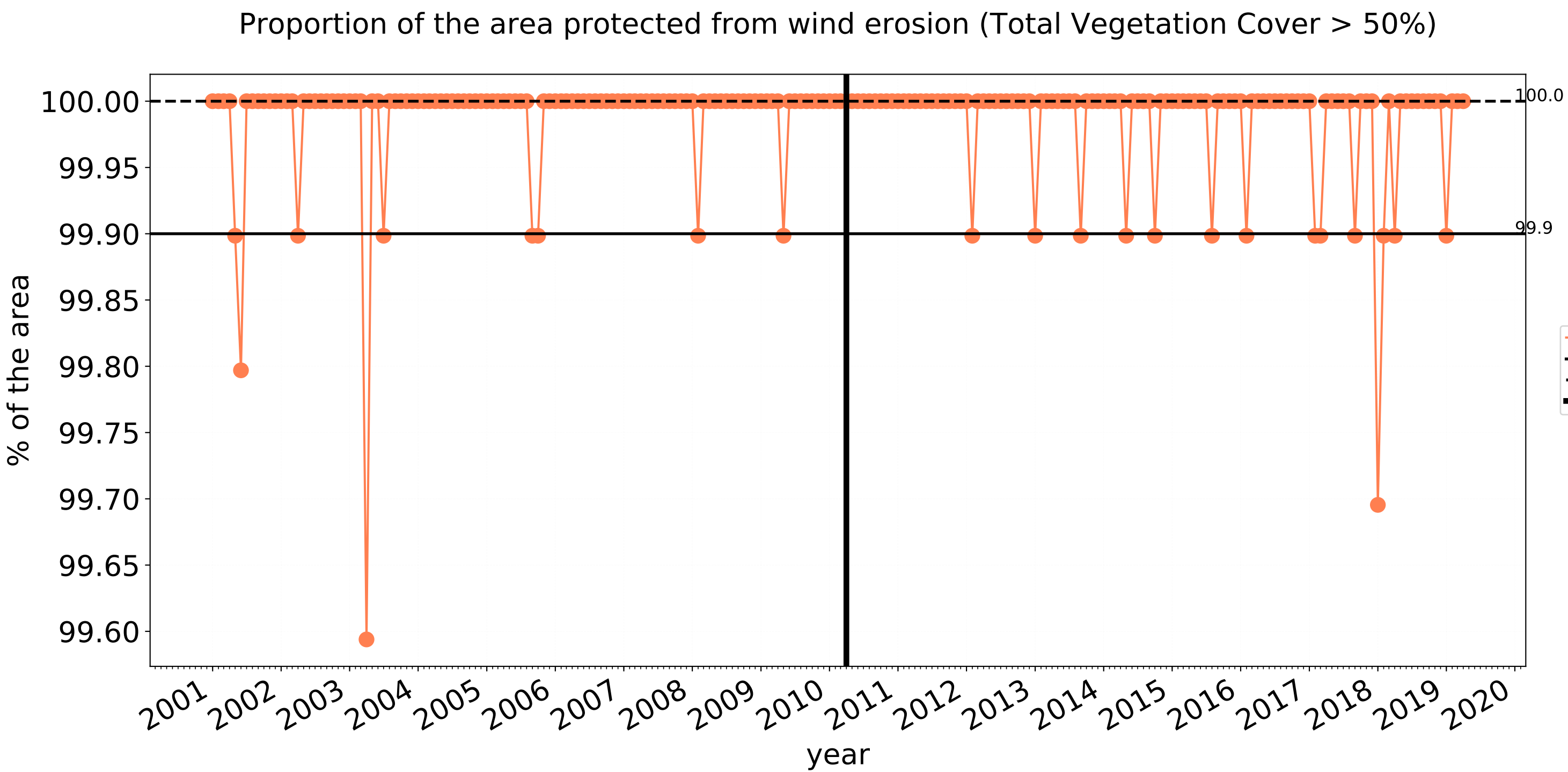
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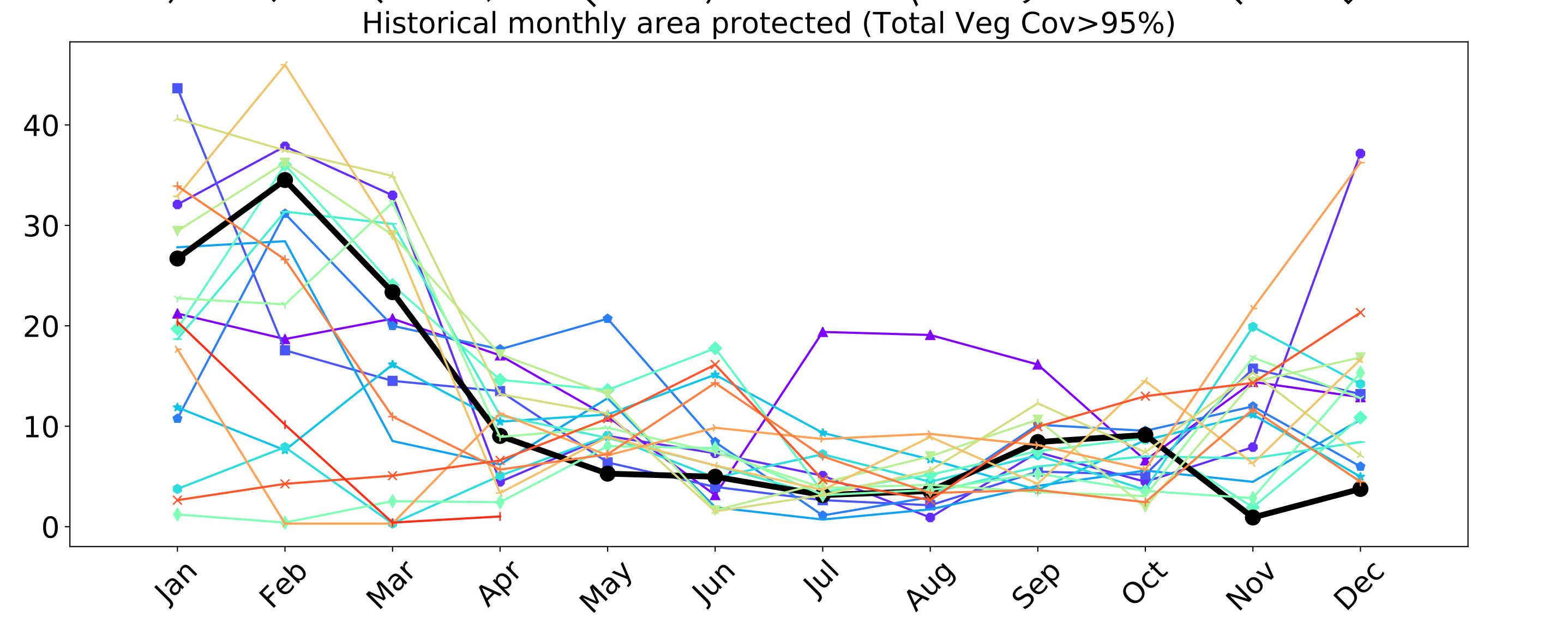
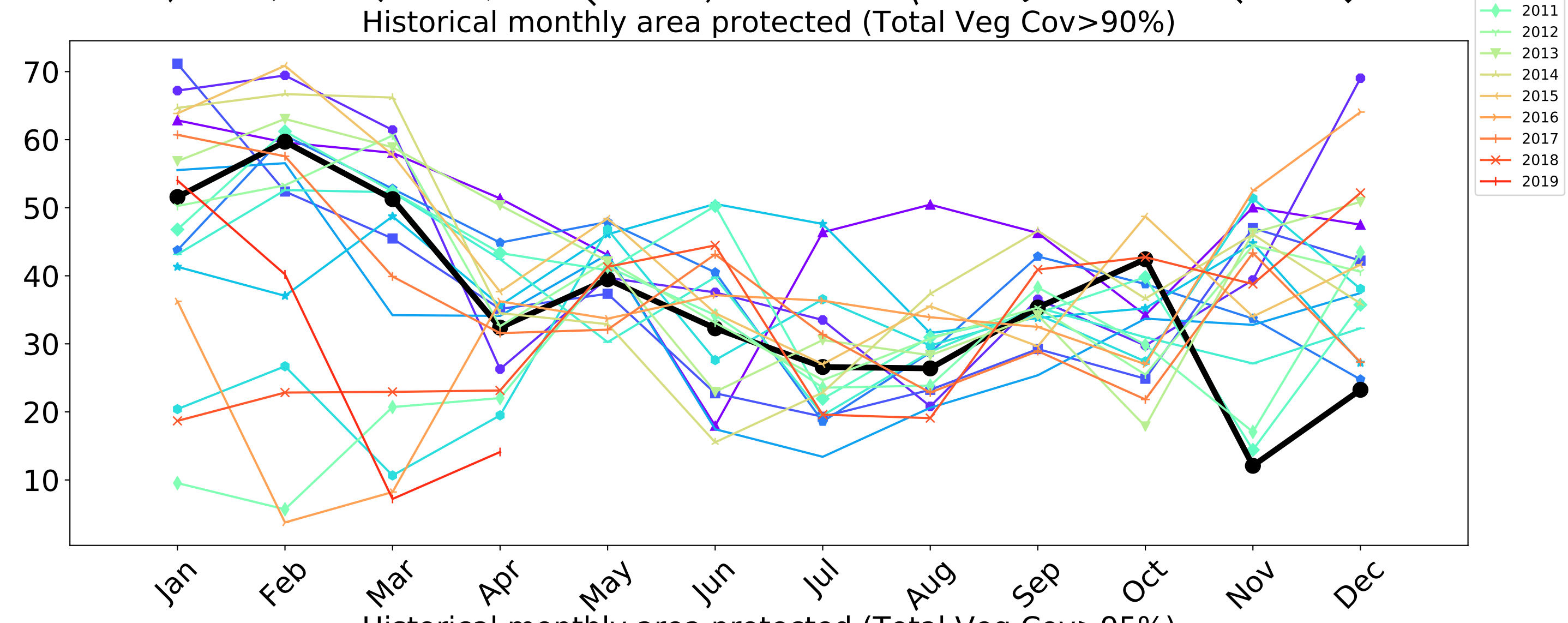
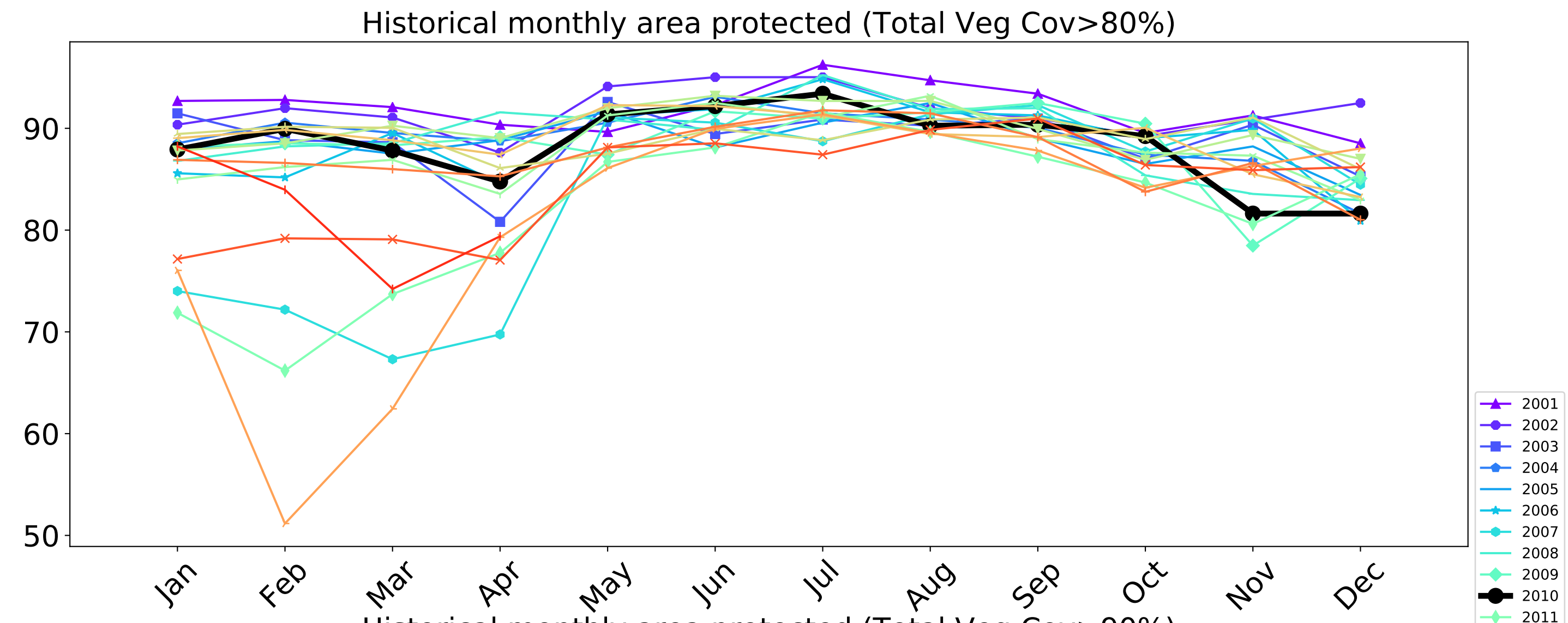
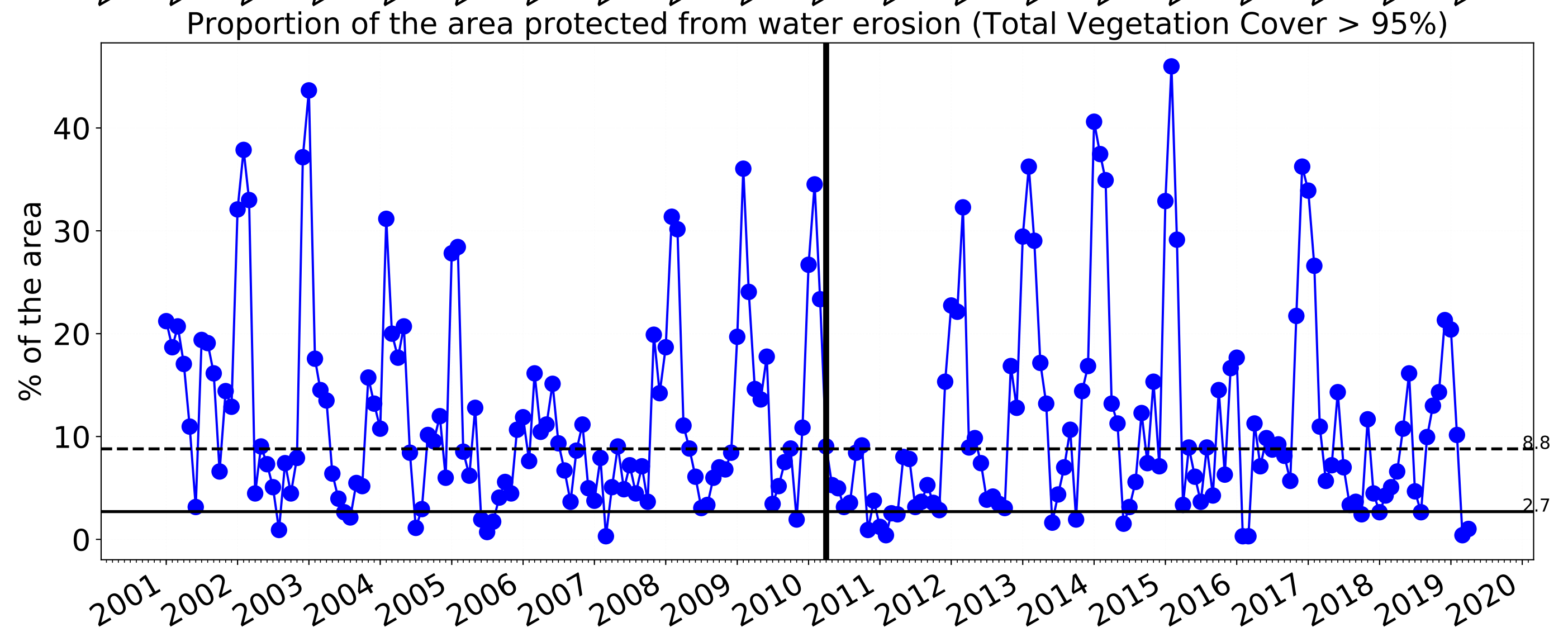
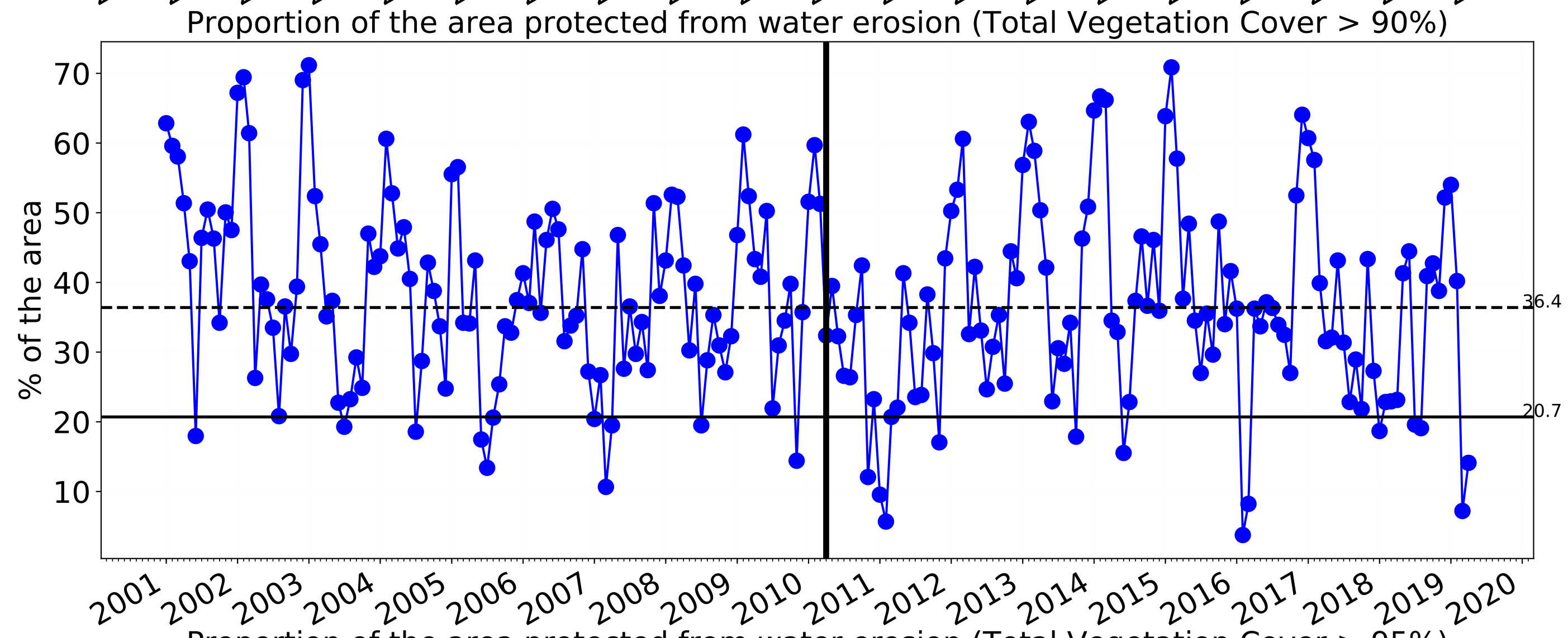
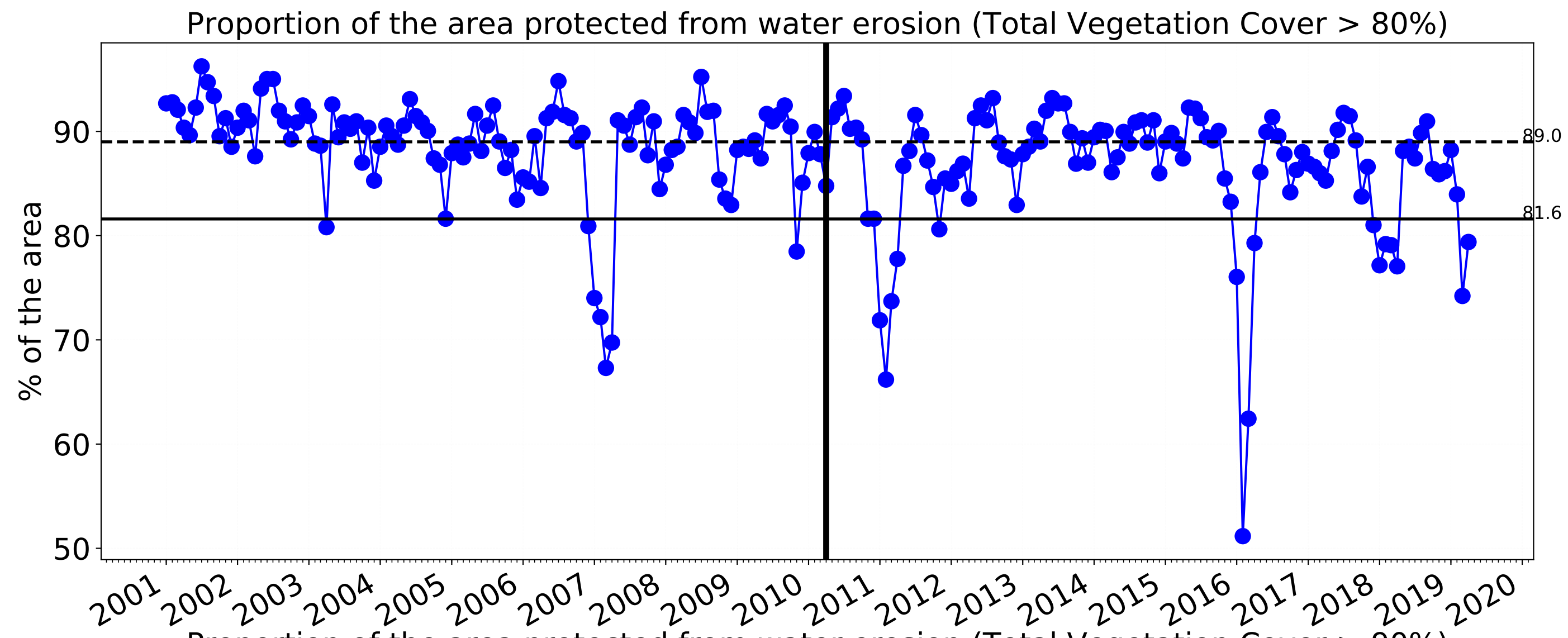
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Production native forests and plantation forests

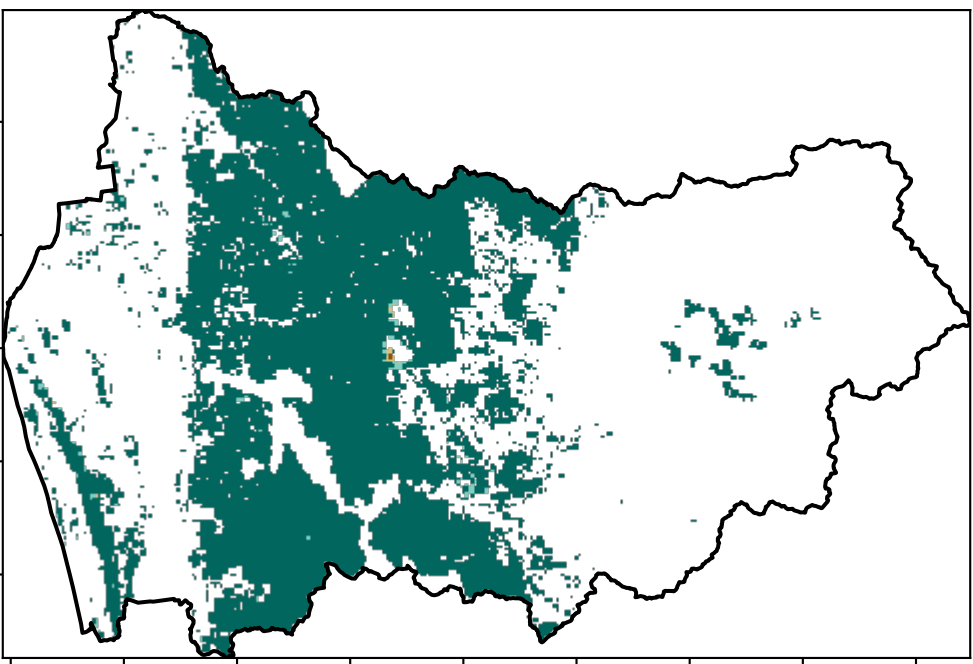
Land use and forest cover

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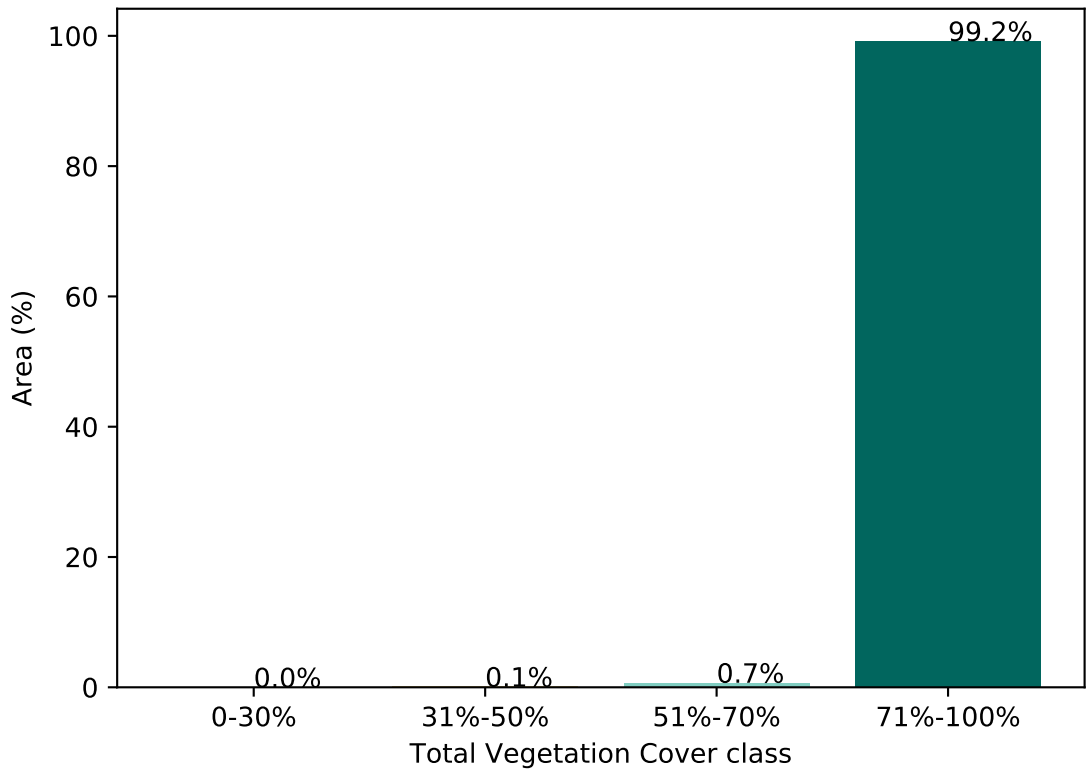


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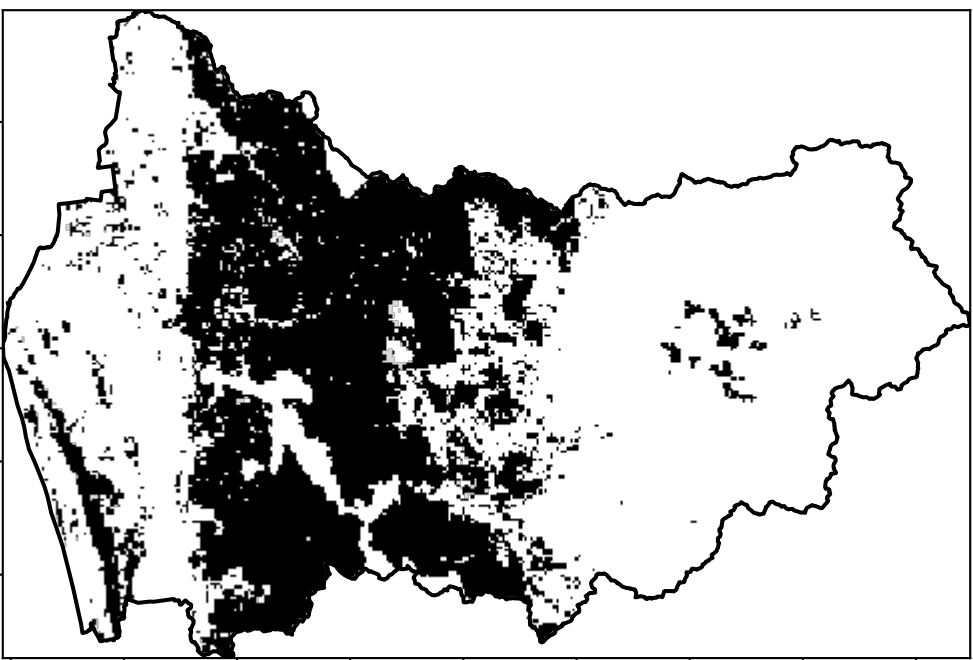
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

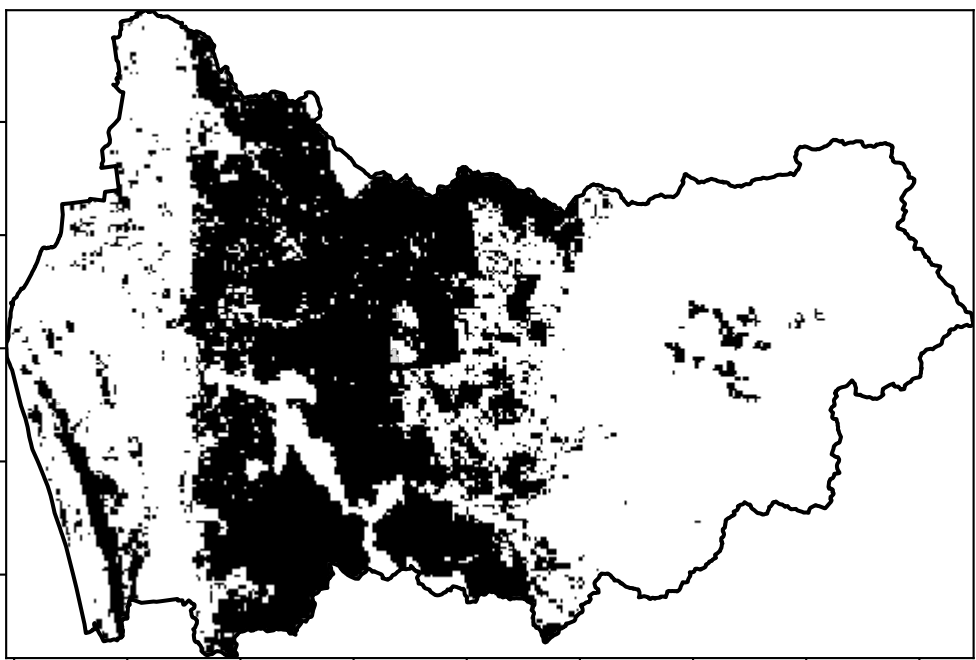


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Area not protected  
0.8% of region  
(3,394 ha)  
Area protected  
99.2% of region  
(420,930 ha)

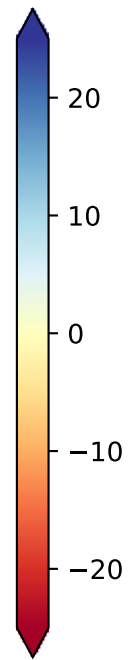
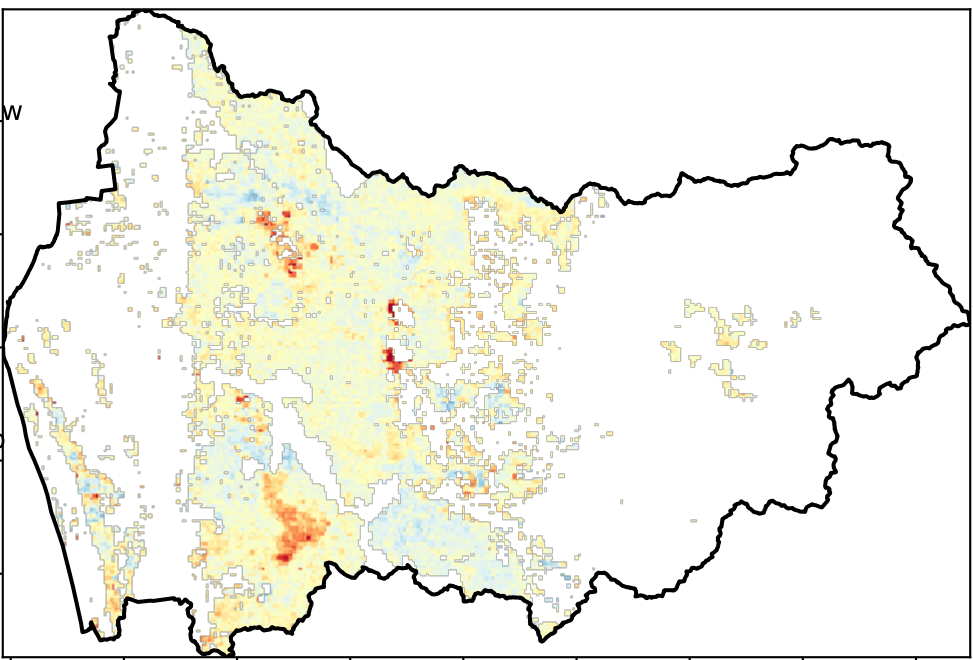
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Area not protected  
0.0% of region  
(0 ha)  
Area protected  
100.0% of region  
(424,325 ha)

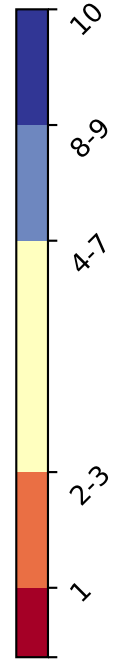
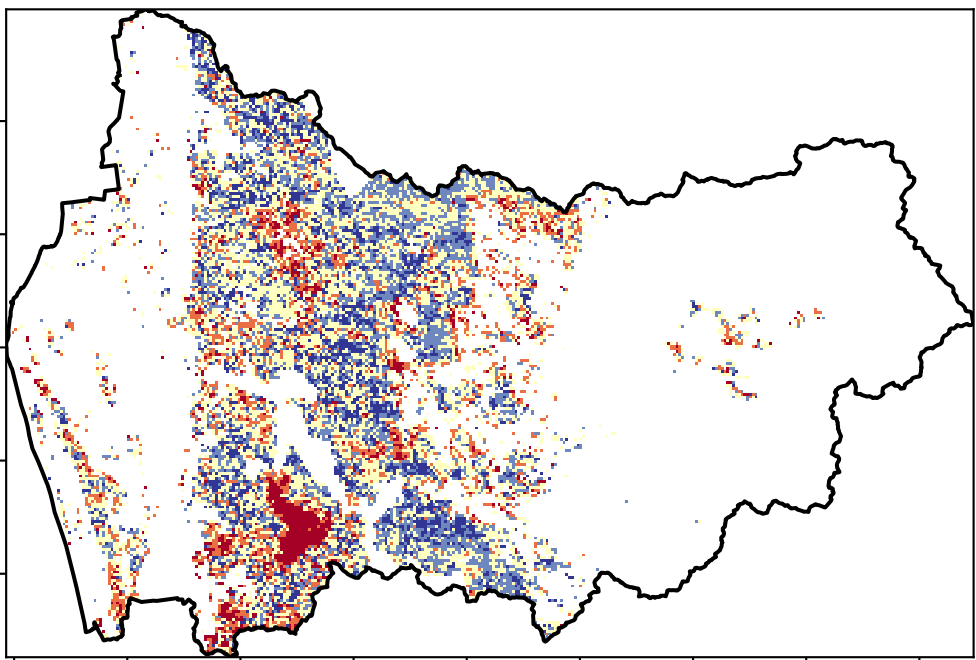
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

Anomaly show how  
many percentage  
points each  
pixel is from  
the mean. That  
is, red pixels  
are about 20%  
lower than the  
mean of that  
pixel. The mean  
is only for the  
month of the map  
using baseline  
from 2001 to  
2019.



Deciles show where the  
pixel value lies in the  
record, from highest to  
lowest, for that month.  
That is, red pixels are  
in the lowest 10% of  
records for that month of  
the map using baseline  
from 2001 to 2019.

Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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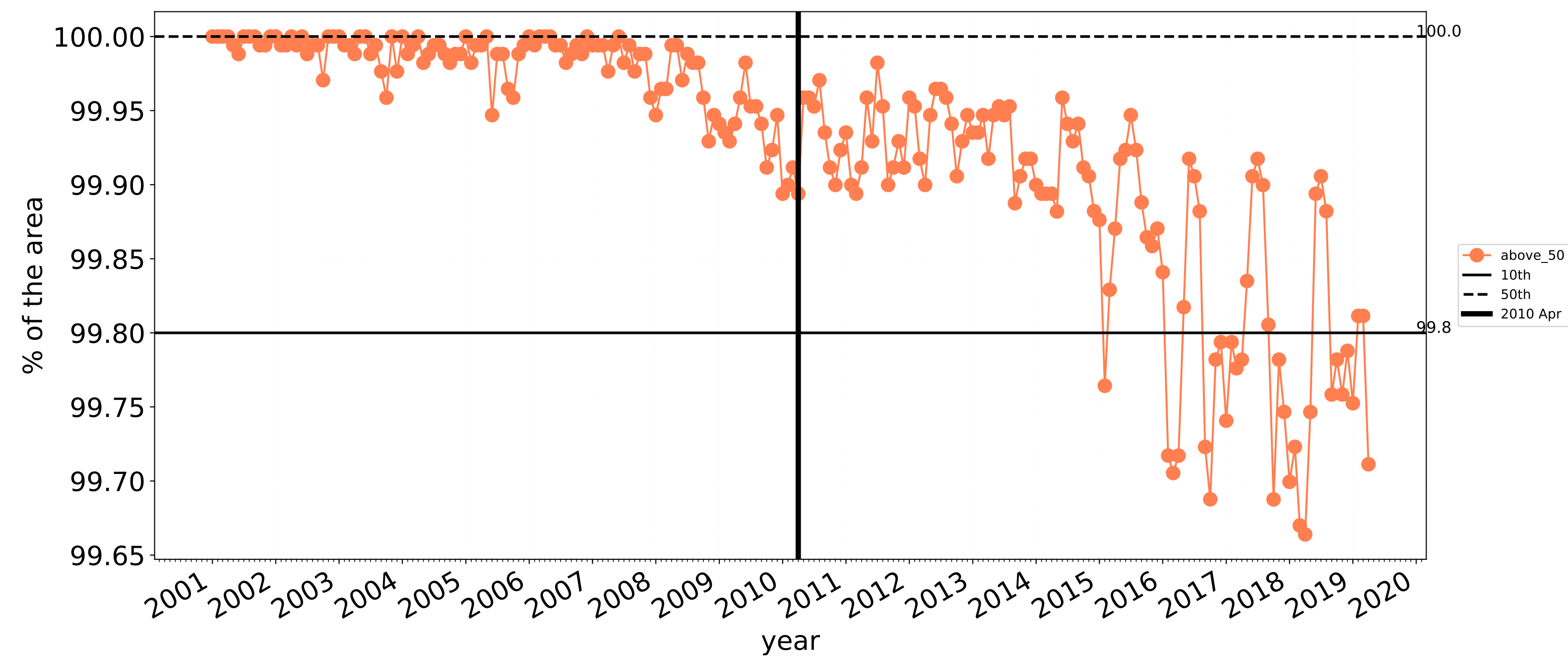


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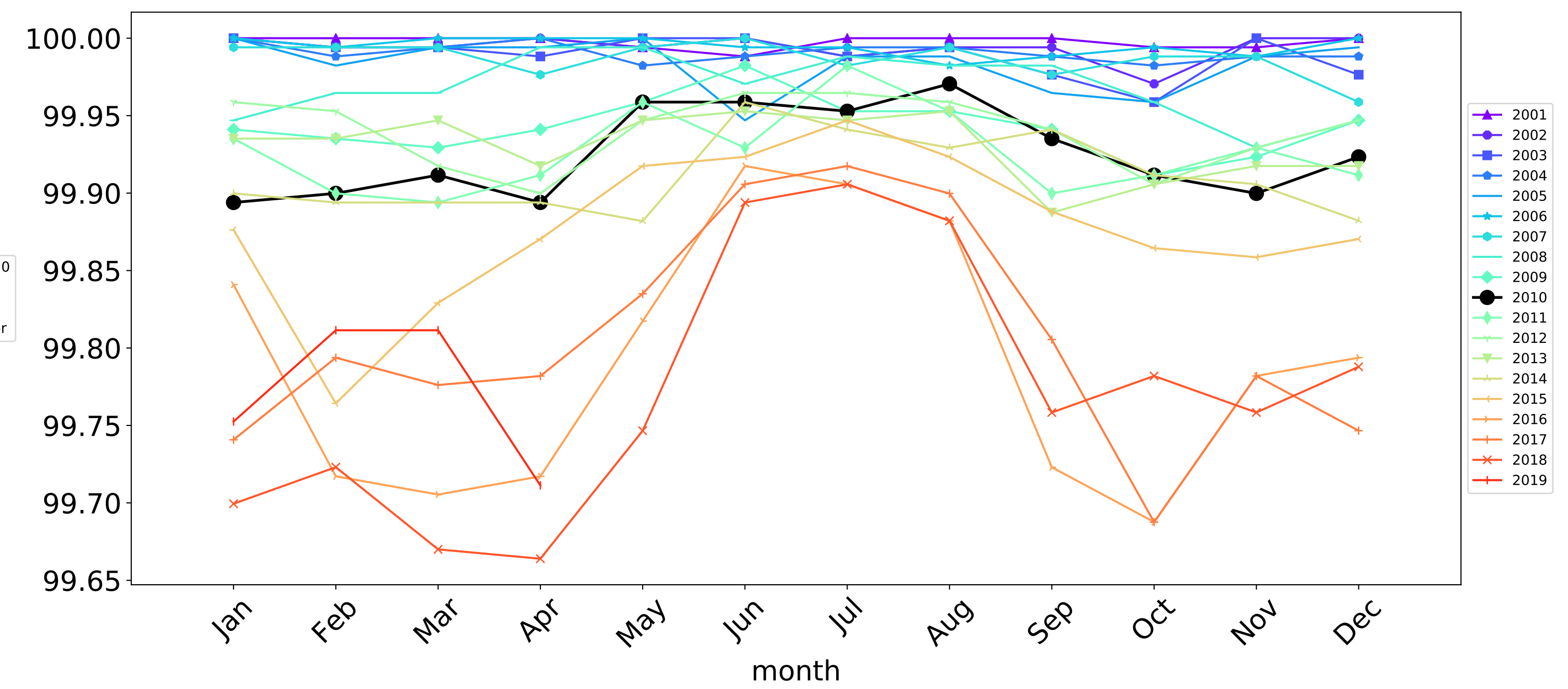


# Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries

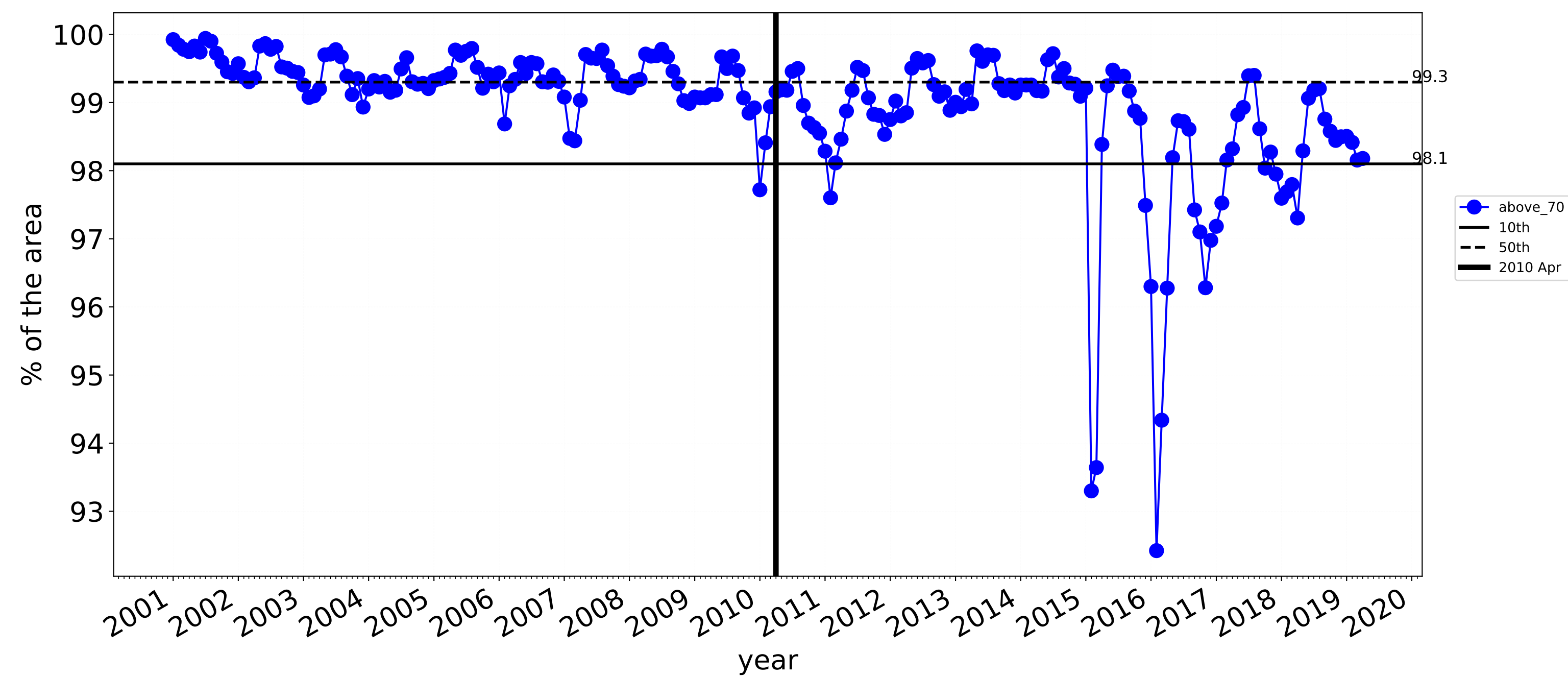
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



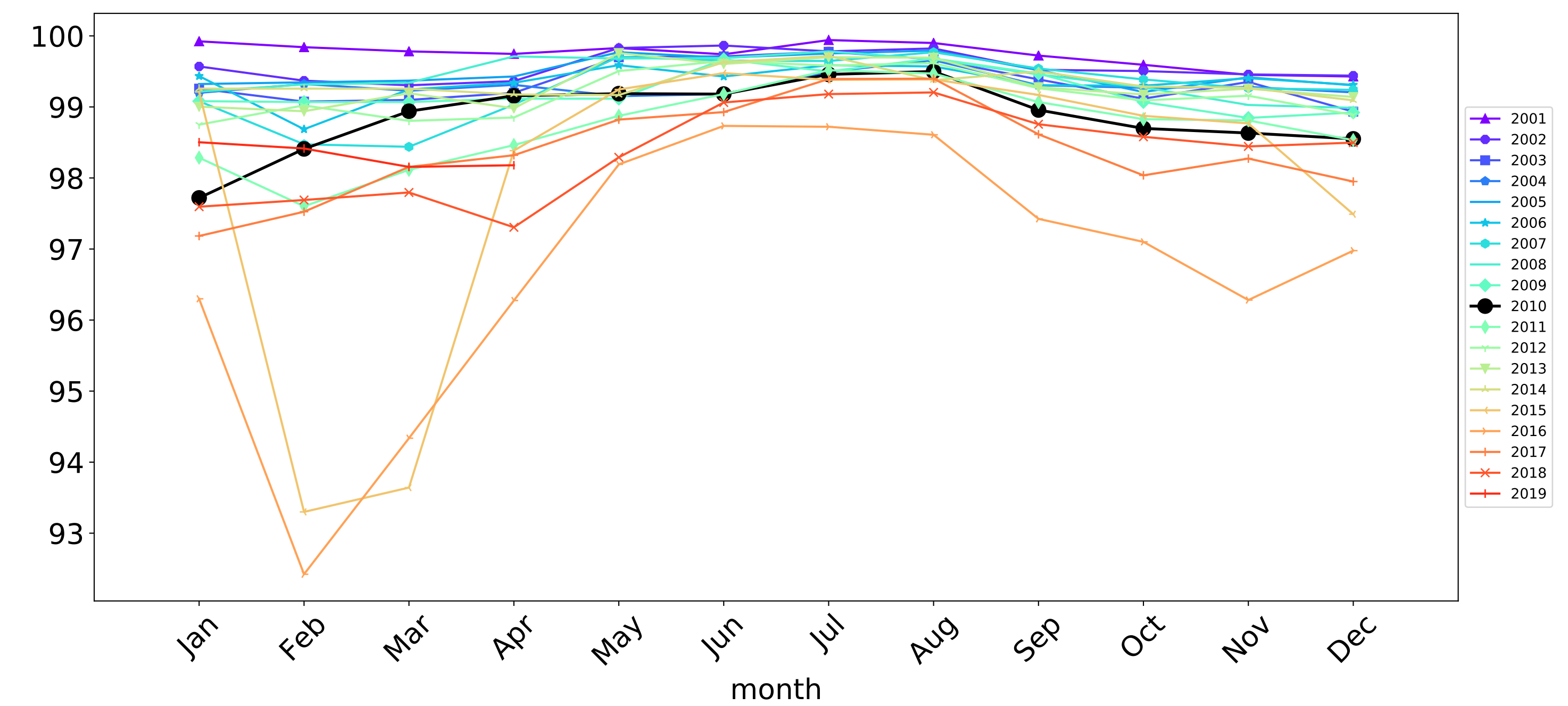
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



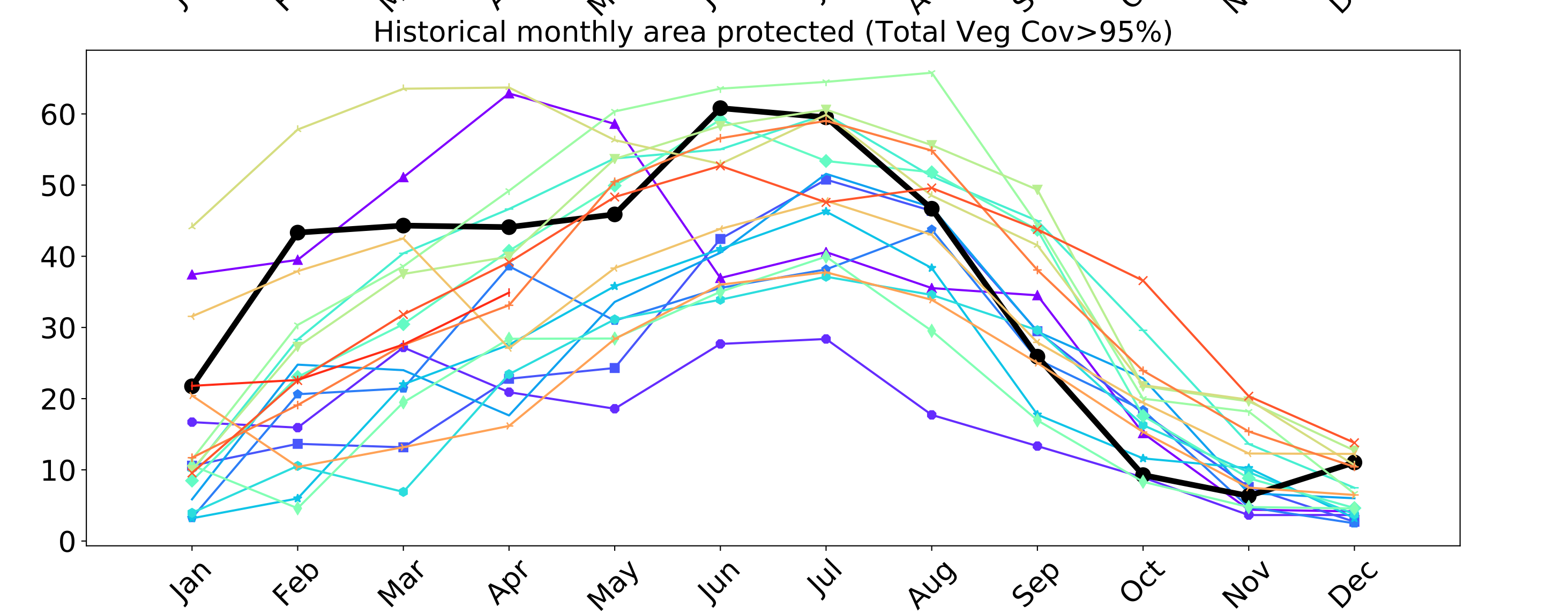
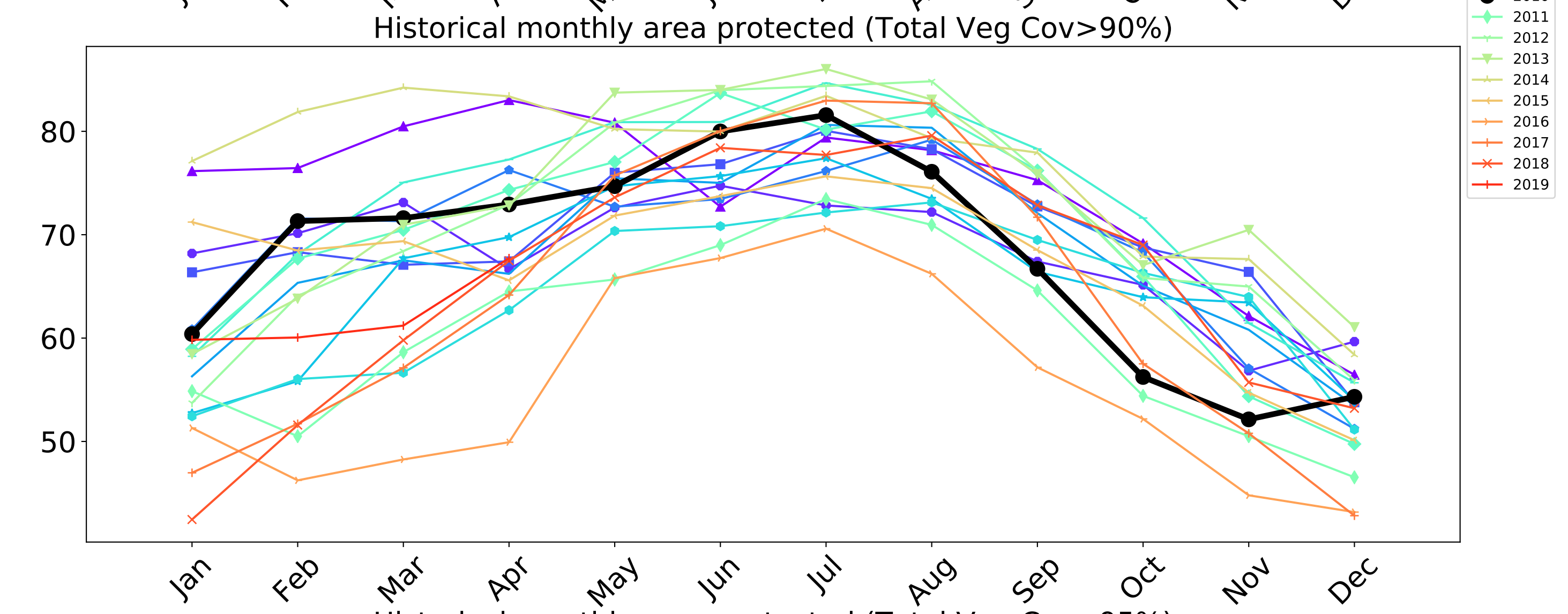
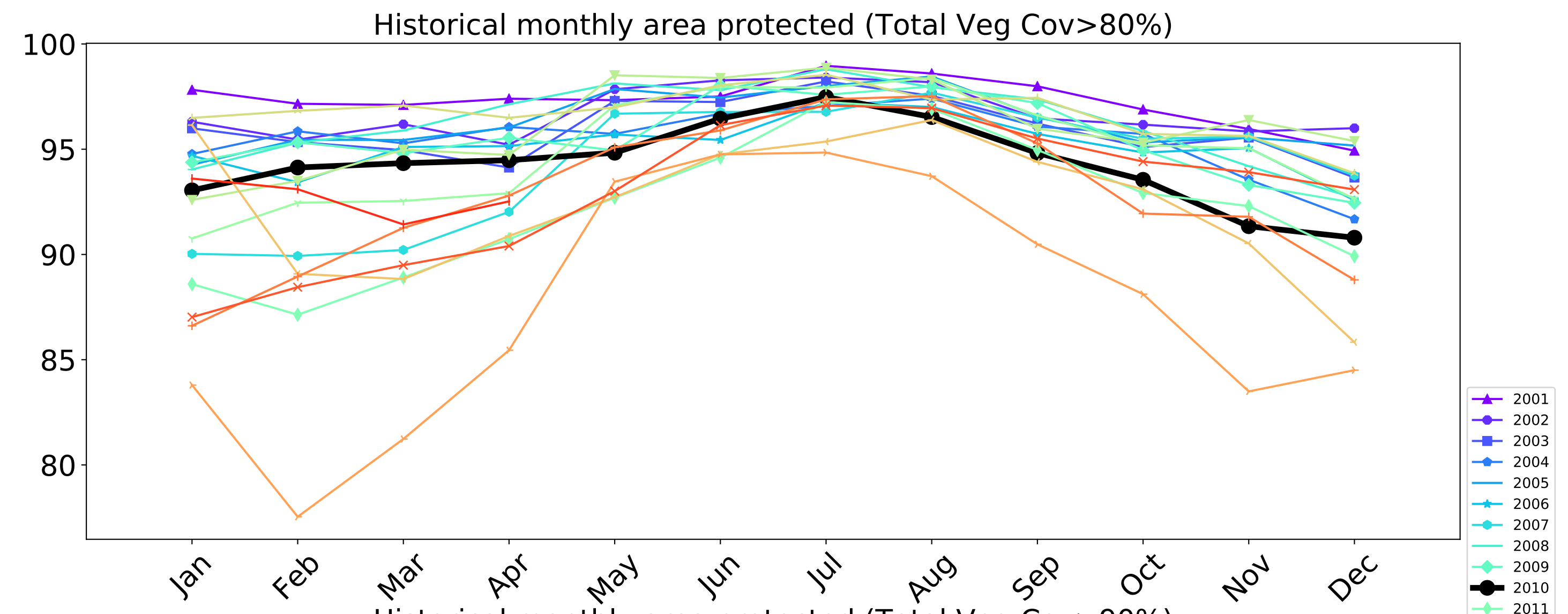
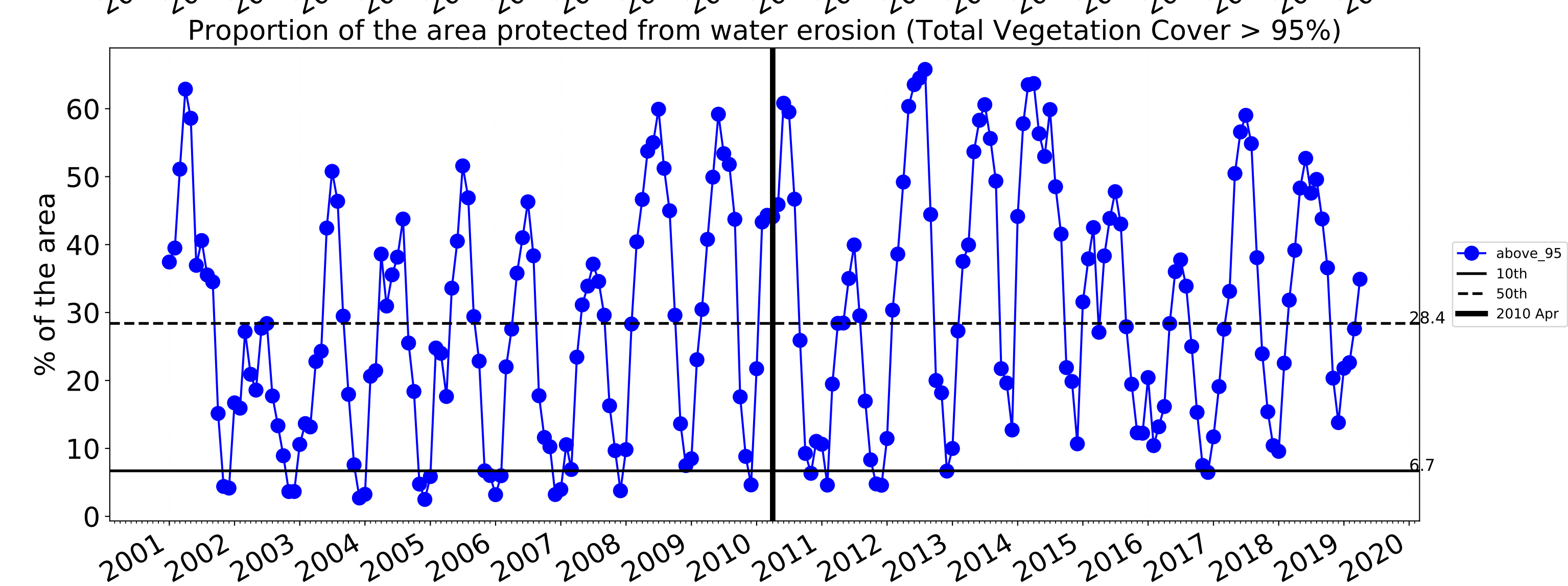
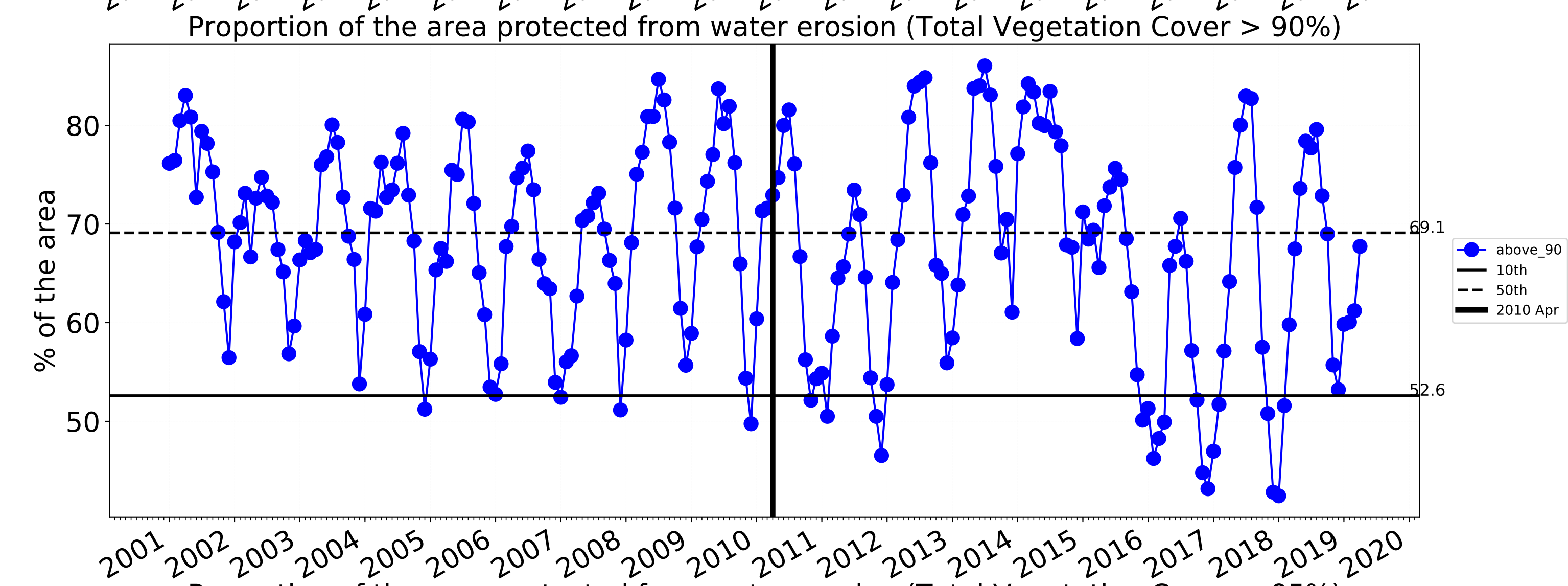
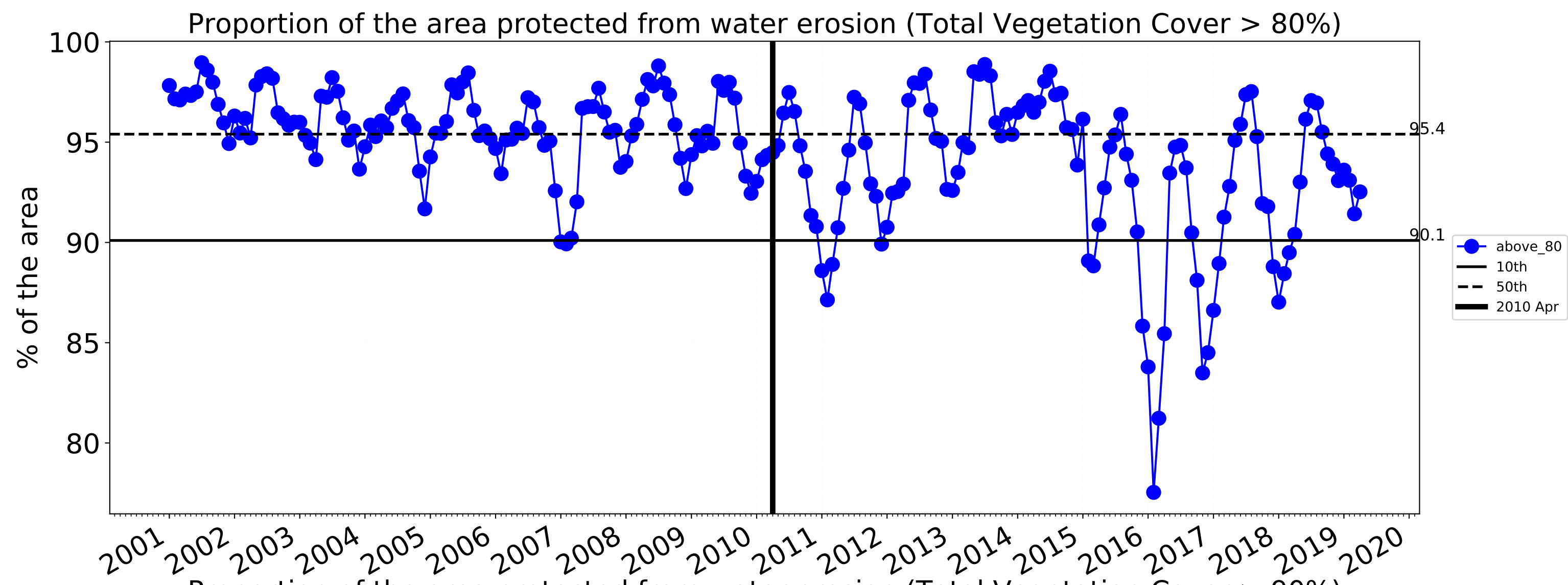
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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









Peel-Harvey Region (1,140,875 ha and no data 17,899 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	1,140,875	100.0% 1,140,724	99.9% 1,139,298	97.7% 1,114,330	80.6% 919,965	39.2% 447,673	20.5% 233,693
Conservation and natural environments	106,075	100.0% 106,075	100.0% 106,050	98.9% 104,875	91.0% 96,575	45.4% 48,200	24.0% 25,475
Conservation and natural environments non forest	14,575	100.0% 14,575	99.8% 14,550	93.3% 13,600	72.7% 10,600	13.7% 2,000	2.6% 375
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	53,500	100.0% 53,500	100.0% 53,500	99.8% 53,400	92.0% 49,200	29.6% 15,850	10.4% 5,550
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	38,000	100.0% 38,000	100.0% 38,000	99.7% 37,875	96.8% 36,775	79.9% 30,350	51.4% 19,550
Agriculture	553,050	100.0% 553,050	100.0% 552,925	97.7% 540,575	70.0% 386,900	13.7% 75,975	2.7% 15,150
Grazing	131,700	100.0% 131,700	99.9% 131,575	98.7% 130,050	81.9% 107,850	23.2% 30,575	4.9% 6,450
Grazing non forest	130,725	100.0% 130,725	99.9% 130,600	98.7% 129,075	81.9% 107,100	23.2% 30,375	4.9% 6,450
Cropping	396,725	100.0% 396,725	100.0% 396,725	97.4% 386,525	65.1% 258,175	9.4% 37,425	1.6% 6,475
Irrigation	24,625	100.0% 24,625	100.0% 24,625	97.5% 24,000	84.8% 20,875	32.4% 7,975	9.0% 2,225
Production native forests and plantation forests	424,325	100.0% 424,275	99.9% 423,875	99.2% 420,750	94.5% 400,900	72.9% 309,425	44.1% 187,100



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