

# Nassau River-St. Johns River Marshes Aquatic Preserve

## SEACAR Habitat Analyses

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## Threshold Filtering

Threshold filters, following the guidance of Florida Department of Environmental Protection's (*FDEP*) Division of Environmental Assessment and Restoration (*DEAR*) are used to exclude specific results values from the SEACAR Analysis. Based on the threshold filters, Quality Assurance / Quality Control (*QAQC*) Flags are inserted into the *SEACAR\_QAQCFlagCode* and *SEACAR\_QAQC\_Description* columns of the export data. The *Include* column indicates whether the *QAQC* Flag will also indicate that data are excluded from analysis. No data are excluded from the data export, but the analysis scripts can use the *Include* column to exclude data (1 to include, 0 to exclude).

Table 1: Continuous Water Quality threshold values

Parameter Name	Units	Low Threshold	High Threshold
Dissolved Oxygen	mg/L	-0.000001	50
Dissolved Oxygen Saturation	%	-0.000001	500
Salinity	ppt	-0.000001	70
Turbidity	NTU	-0.000001	4000
Water Temperature	Degrees C	-5.000000	45
pH	None	2.000000	14

Table 2: Discrete Water Quality threshold values

Parameter Name	Units	Low Threshold	High Threshold
Ammonia, Un-ionized (NH3)	mg/L	-	-
Ammonium, Filtered (NH4)	mg/L	-	-
Chlorophyll a, Corrected for Pheophytin	ug/L	-	-
Chlorophyll a, Uncorrected for Pheophytin	ug/L	-	-
Colored Dissolved Organic Matter	PCU	-	-

Parameter Name	Units	Low Threshold	High Threshold
Dissolved Oxygen	mg/L	-0.000001	25
Dissolved Oxygen Saturation	%	-0.000001	310
Fluorescent Dissolved Organic Matter	QSE	-	-
Light Extinction Coefficient	m^-1	-	-
NO2+3, Filtered	mg/L	-	-
Nitrate (NO3)	mg/L	-	-
Nitrite (NO2)	mg/L	-	-
Nitrogen, organic	mg/L	-	-
Phosphate, Filtered (PO4)	mg/L	-	-
Salinity	ppt	-0.000001	70
Secchi Depth	m	0.000001	50
Specific Conductivity	mS/cm	0.005000	100
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	-	-
Total Nitrogen	mg/L	-	-
Total Nitrogen	mg/L	-	-
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	-	-
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	-	-
Turbidity	NTU	-	-
Water Temperature	Degrees C	3.000000	40
pH	None	2.000000	13

Table 3: Quality Assurance Flags inserted based on threshold checks listed in Table 1 and 2

SEACAR QAQC Description	Include	SEACAR QAQCFlagCode
Exceeds maximum threshold	0	2Q
Below minimum threshold	0	4Q
Within threshold tolerance	1	6Q
No defined thresholds for this parameter	1	7Q

## Value Qualifiers

Value qualifier codes included within the data are used to exclude certain results from the analysis. The data are retained in the data export files, but the analysis uses the *Include* column to filter the results.

### STORET and WIN value qualifier codes

Value qualifier codes from *STORET* and *WIN* data are examined with the database and used to populate the *Include* column in data exports.

Table 4: Value Qualifier codes excluded from analysis

Qualifier Source	Value Qualifier	Include	MDL	Description
STORET-WIN	H	0	0	Value based on field kit determination; results may not be accurate
STORET-WIN	J	0	0	Estimated value
STORET-WIN	V	0	0	Analyte was detected at or above method detection limit
STORET-WIN	Y	0	0	Lab analysis from an improperly preserved sample; data may be inaccurate

### Discrete Water Quality Value Qualifiers

The following value qualifiers are highlighted in the Discrete Water Quality section of this report. An exception is made for **Program 476 - Charlotte Harbor Estuaries Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Network** and data flagged with Value Qualifier **H** are included for this program only.

**H** - Value based on field kit determiniation; results may not be accurate. This code shall be used if a field screening test (e.g., field gas chromatograph data, immunoassay, or vendor-supplied field kit) was used to generate the value and the field kit or method has not been recognized by the Department as equivalent to laboratory methods.

**I** - The reported value is greater than or equal to the laboratory method detection limit but less than the laboratory practical quantitation limit.

**Q** - Sample held beyond the accepted holding time. This code shall be used if the value is derived from a sample that was prepared or analyzed after the approved holding time restrictions for sample preparation or analysis.

**S** - Secchi disk visible to bottom of waterbody. The value reported is the depth of the waterbody at the location of the Secchi disk measurement.

**U** - Indicates that the compound was analyzed for but not detected. This symbol shall be used to indicate that the specified component was not detected. The value associated with the qualifier shall be the laboratory method detection limit. Unless requested by the client, less than the method detection limit values shall not be reported

### Systemwide Monitoring Program (SWMP) value qualifier codes

Value qualifier codes from the *SWMP* continuous program are examined with the database and used to populate the *Include* column in data exports. *SWMP* Qualifier Codes are indicated by *QualifierSource=SWMP*.

Table 5: SWMP Value Qualifier codes

<i>Qualifier Source</i>	<i>Value Qualifier</i>	<i>Include</i>	<i>Description</i>
SWMP	-1	Yes	Optional parameter not collected
SWMP	-2	No	Missing data
SWMP	-3	No	Data rejected due to QA/QC
SWMP	-4	No	Outside low sensor range
SWMP	-5	No	Outside high sensor range
SWMP	0	Yes	Passed initial QA/QC checks
SWMP	1	No	Suspect data
SWMP	2	Yes	Reserved for future use
SWMP	3	Yes	Calculated data: non-vented depth/level sensor correction for changes in barometric pressure
SWMP	4	Yes	Historical: Pre-auto QA/QC
SWMP	5	Yes	Corrected data

## Water Column

The water column habitat extends from the water's surface to the bottom sediments, and it's where fish, dolphins, crabs and people swim! So much life makes its home in the water column that the health of marine and coastal ecosystems, as well as human economies, depend on the condition of this vulnerable habitat. Local patterns of rainfall, temperature, winds and currents can rapidly change the condition of the water column, while global influences such as [El Niño/La Niña](#), large-scale fluctuation in sea temperatures and climate change can have long-term effects. Inputs from the prosperity of our day-to-day lives including farming, mining and forestry, and emissions from power generation, automobiles and water treatment can also alter the health of the water column. Acting alone or together, each input can have complex and lasting effects on habitats and ecosystems.

SEACAR evaluates water column health with several essential parameters. These include nutrient surveys of nitrogen and phosphorus, and water quality assessments of salinity, dissolved oxygen, pH, and water temperature. Water clarity is evaluated with Secchi depth, turbidity, levels of chlorophyll a, total suspended solids, and colored dissolved organic matter. Additionally, the richness of nekton is indicated by the abundance of free-swimming fishes and macroinvertebrates like crabs and shrimps.

## Seasonal Kendall-Tau Analysis

Indicators must have a minimum of five to ten years, depending on the habitat, of data within the geographic range of the analysis to be included in the analysis. Ten years of data are required for discrete parameters, and five years of data are required for continuous parameters. If there are insufficient years of data, the number of years of data available will be noted and labeled as "insufficient data to conduct analysis". Further, for the preferred Seasonal Kendall-Tau test, there must be data from at least two months in common across at least two consecutive years within the RCP managed area being analyzed. Values that pass both of these tests will be included in the analysis and be labeled as *Use\_In\_Analysis = TRUE*. Any that fail either test will be excluded from the analyses and labeled as *Use\_In\_Analysis = FALSE*. The points for all Water Column plots displayed in this section are monthly averages. Trend significance will be denoted as "Significant Trend" (when  $p < 0.05$ ), or "Non-significant Trend" (when  $p \geq 0.05$ ). Any parameters with insufficient data to perform Seasonal Kendall-Tau test will have their monthly averages plotted without a corresponding trend line.

## Water Quality - Discrete

The following files were used in the discrete analysis:

- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Chlorophyll\_a\_corrected\_for\_pheophytin-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Chlorophyll\_a\_uncorrected\_for\_pheophytin-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Colored\_dissolved\_organic\_matter\_CDOM-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Dissolved\_Oxygen-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Dissolved\_Oxygen\_Saturation-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_pH-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Salinity-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Secchi\_Depth-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Total\_Nitrogen-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Total\_Phosphorus-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Total\_Suspended\_Solids\_TSS-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Turbidity-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_Water\_Temperature-2024-Dec-08.txt*

# Chlorophyll a, Corrected for Pheophytin - Discrete Water Quality

## Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis

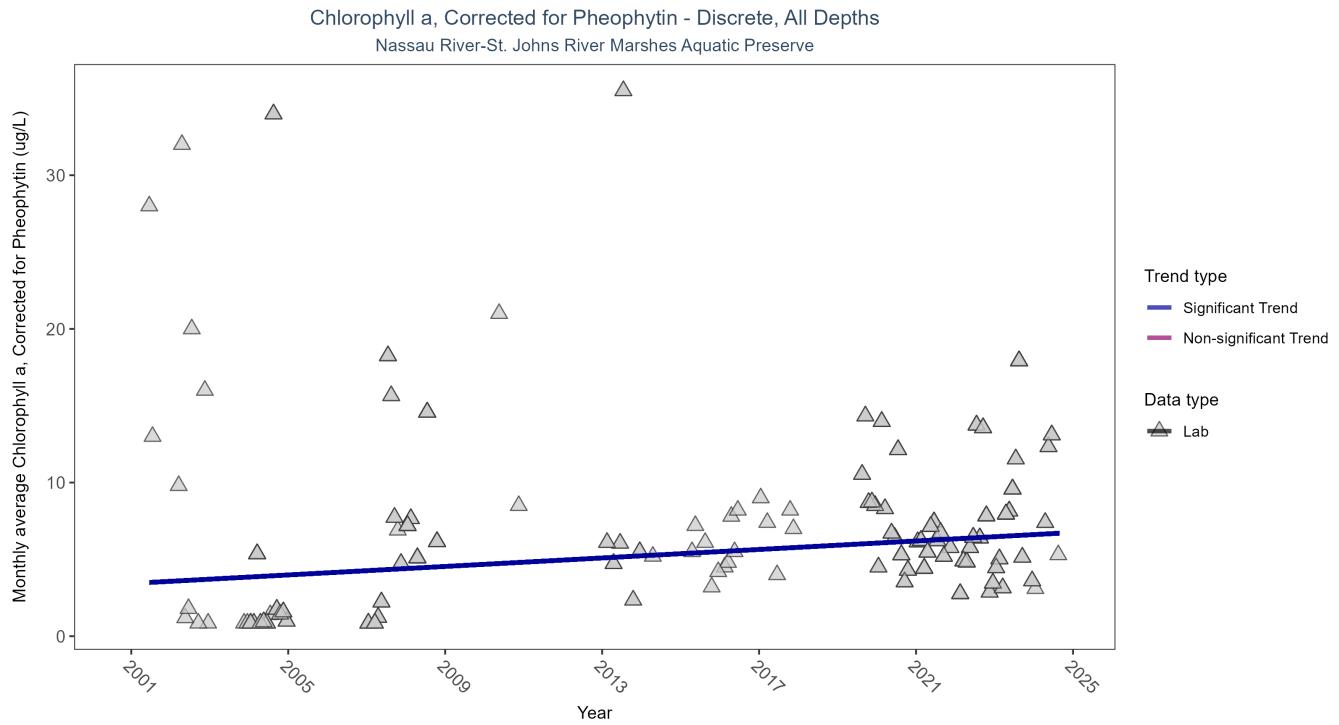


Figure 1: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for Chlorophyll a, Corrected for Pheophytin - Discrete

Table 6: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for Chlorophyll a, Corrected for Pheophytin

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
All	603	18	5.8	TRUE	0.1546	0.0262	0.1382	3.435	15.4391	0.1633	1

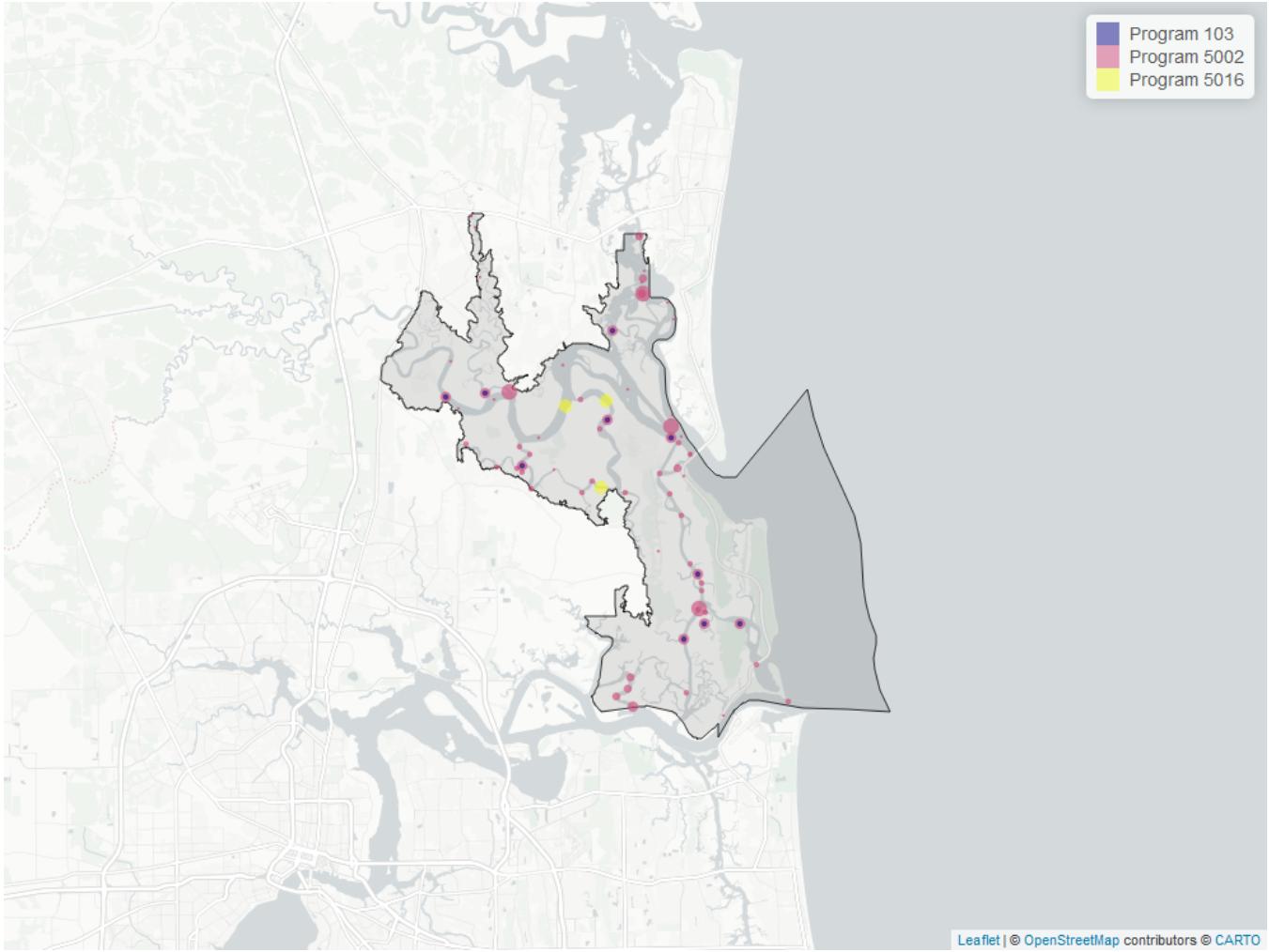


Figure 2: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for Chlorophyll a, Corrected for Pheophytin. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 7: Programs contributing data for Chlorophyll a, Corrected for Pheophytin

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
5002	512	2001	2024
5016	72	2019	2024
103	39	2021	2021

#### Program names:

103 - EPA STOrage and RETrieval Data Warehouse (STORET)/WQX<sup>1</sup>

5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>

5016 - NEAP Monthly Water Quality Monitoring<sup>3</sup>

#### Chlorophyll a, Uncorrected for Pheophytin - Discrete Water Quality

#### Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis

Chlorophyll a, Uncorrected for Pheophytin - Discrete, All Depths  
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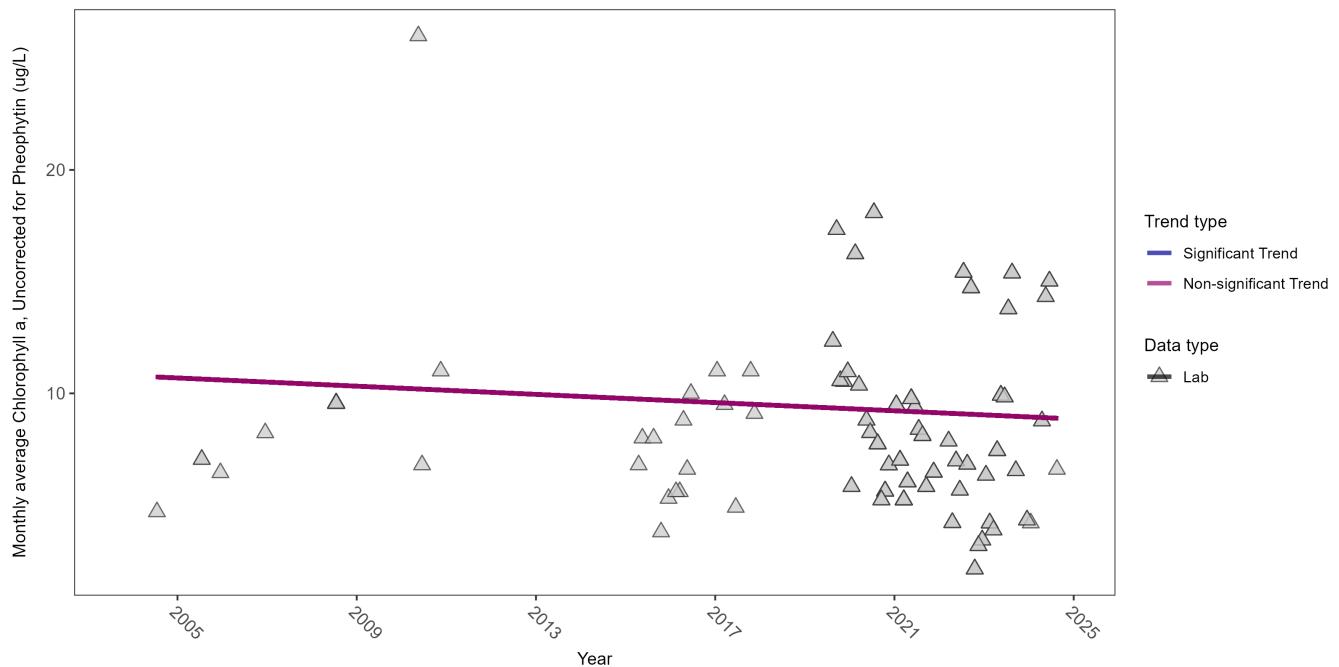


Figure 3: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for Chlorophyll a, Uncorrected for Pheophytin - Discrete

Table 8: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for Chlorophyll a, Uncorrected for Pheophytin

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
All	437	14	7.7552	TRUE	-0.1173	0.5782	-0.0918	10.7814	15.1214	0.177	0

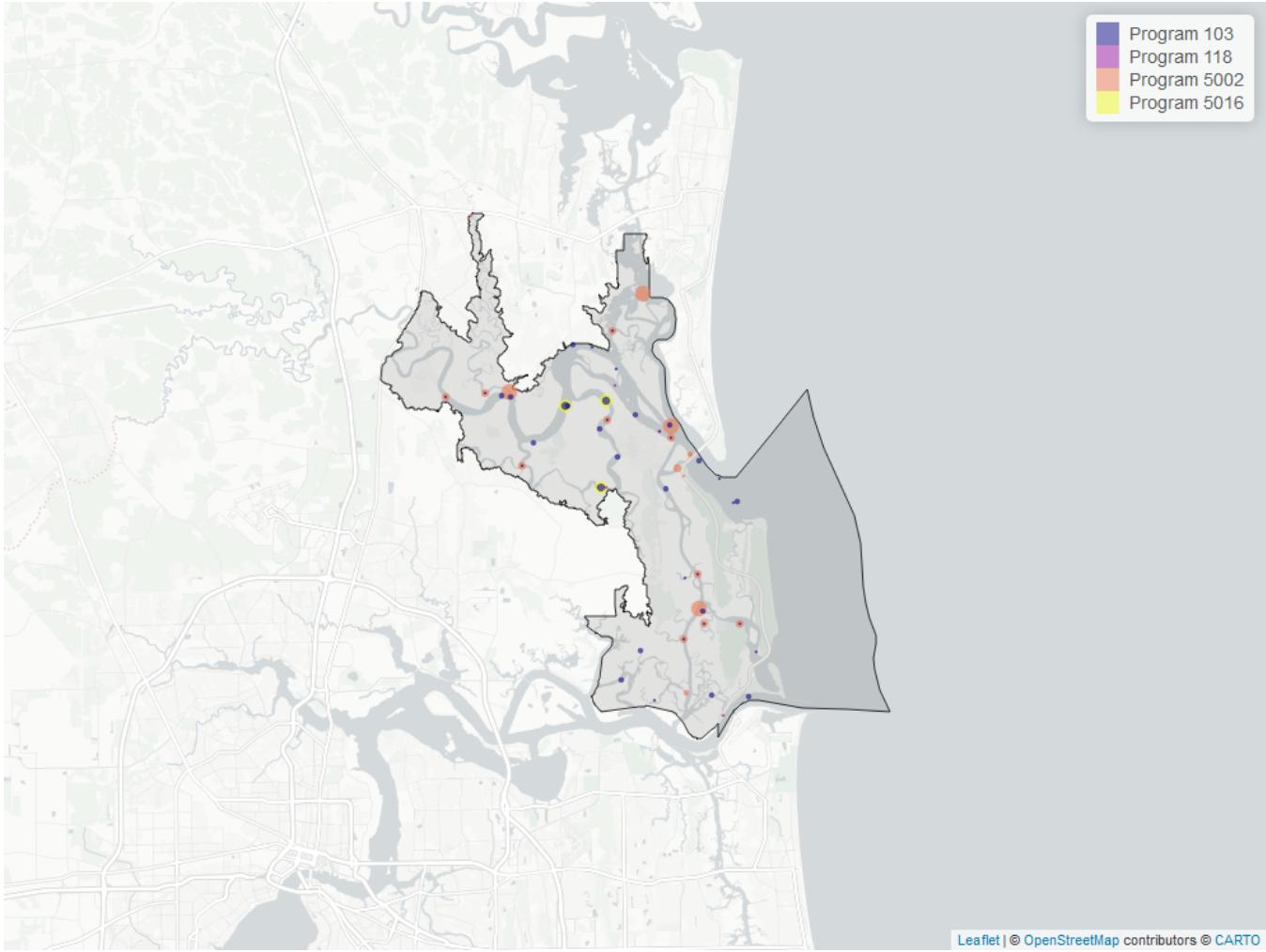


Figure 4: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for Chlorophyll a, Uncorrected for Pheophytin. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 9: Programs contributing data for Chlorophyll a, Uncorrected for Pheophytin

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
5002	227	2010	2024
103	139	2004	2021
5016	73	2019	2024
118	3	2005	2010

#### Program names:

- 103 - EPA STOrage and RETrieval Data Warehouse (STORET)/WQX<sup>1</sup>
- 118 - National Aquatic Resource Surveys, National Coastal Condition Assessment<sup>4</sup>
- 5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>
- 5016 - NEAP Monthly Water Quality Monitoring<sup>3</sup>

## Dissolved Oxygen - Discrete Water Quality Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis

Dissolved Oxygen - Discrete, All Depths  
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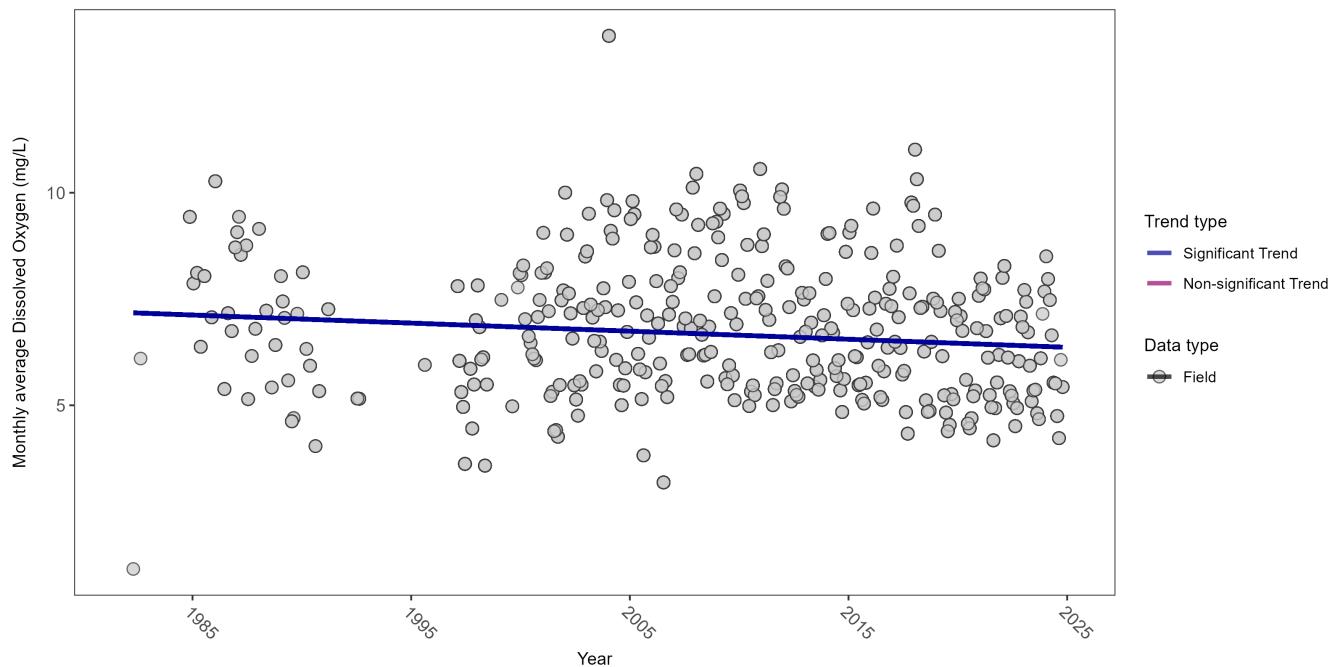


Figure 5: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for Dissolved Oxygen - Discrete

Table 10: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for Dissolved Oxygen

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
All	39300	39	6.3	TRUE	-0.1548	0	-0.019	7.1805	6.2614	0.8554	-1

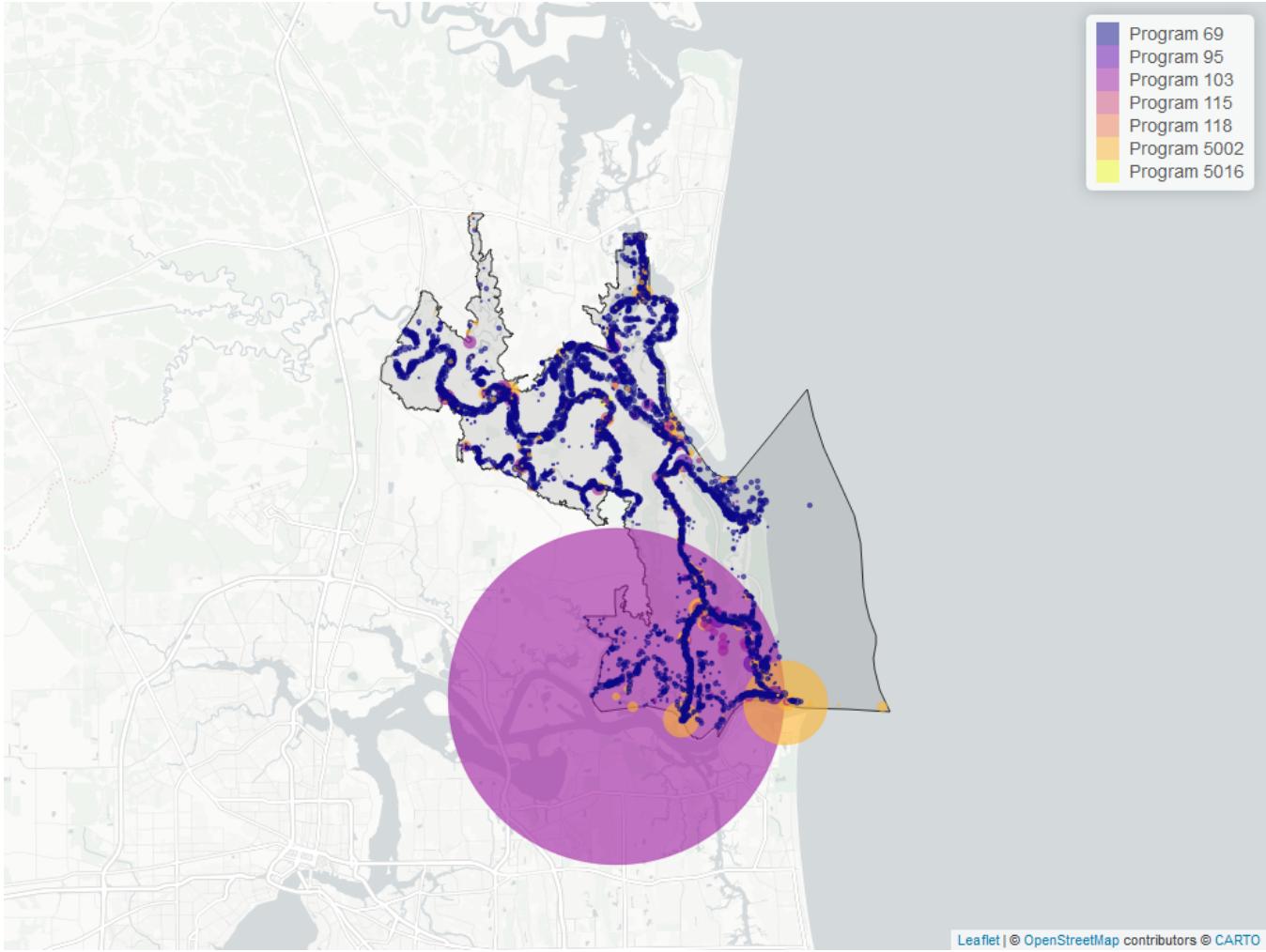


Figure 6: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for Dissolved Oxygen. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 11: Programs contributing data for Dissolved Oxygen

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
103	18455	1982	2021
69	18151	2001	2022
5002	2505	1997	2024
95	189	2013	2018
5016	72	2019	2024
118	12	2005	2021
115	4	1995	1995

#### Program names:

69 - Fisheries-Independent Monitoring (FIM) Program<sup>5</sup>

95 - Harmful Algal Bloom Marine Observation Network<sup>6</sup>

103 - EPA STOrage and RETrieval Data Warehouse (STORET)/WQX<sup>1</sup>

115 - Environmental Monitoring Assessment Program<sup>7</sup>

118 - National Aquatic Resource Surveys, National Coastal Condition Assessment<sup>4</sup>

5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>

5016 - NEAP Monthly Water Quality Monitoring<sup>3</sup>

## Dissolved Oxygen Saturation - Discrete Water Quality

### Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis

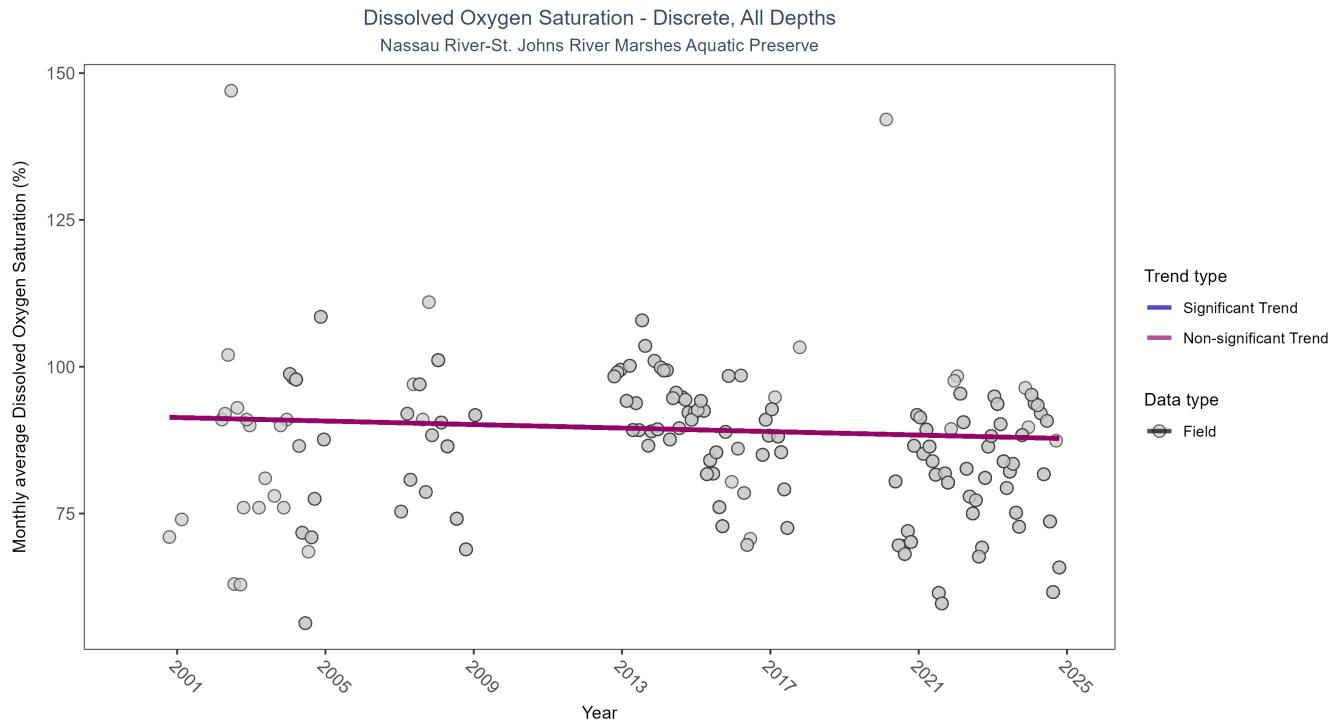


Figure 7: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for Dissolved Oxygen Saturation - Discrete

Table 12: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for Dissolved Oxygen Saturation

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
All	1247	19	87.9	TRUE	-0.1098	0.0635	-0.1496	91.4992	6.3123	0.8517	0

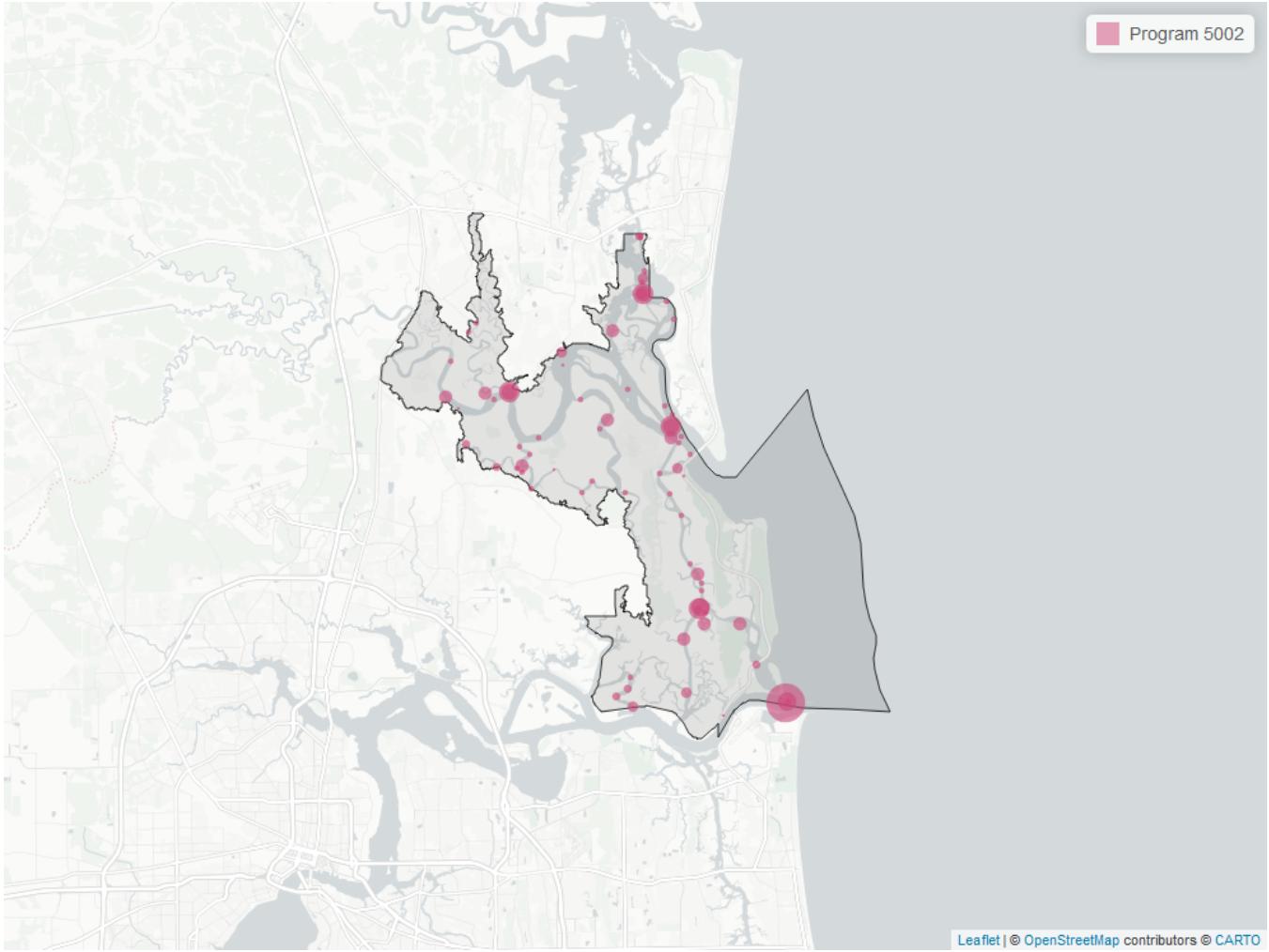


Figure 8: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for Dissolved Oxygen Saturation. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 13: Programs contributing data for Dissolved Oxygen Saturation

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
5002	1265	2000	2024

**Program names:**

5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>

**pH - Discrete Water Quality**

**Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis**

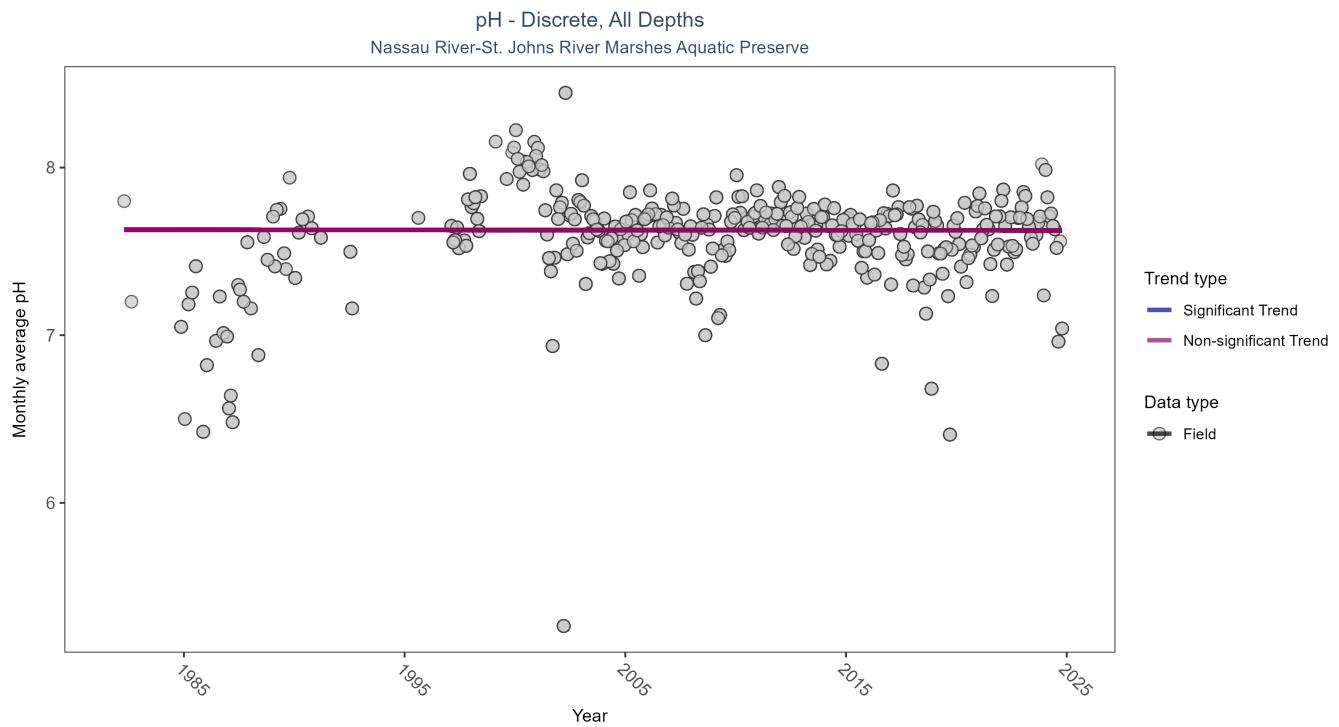


Figure 9: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for pH - Discrete

Table 14: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for pH

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
All	29660	39	7.66	TRUE	-0.0048	0.9584	-0.0001	7.6294	5.8922	0.8805	0

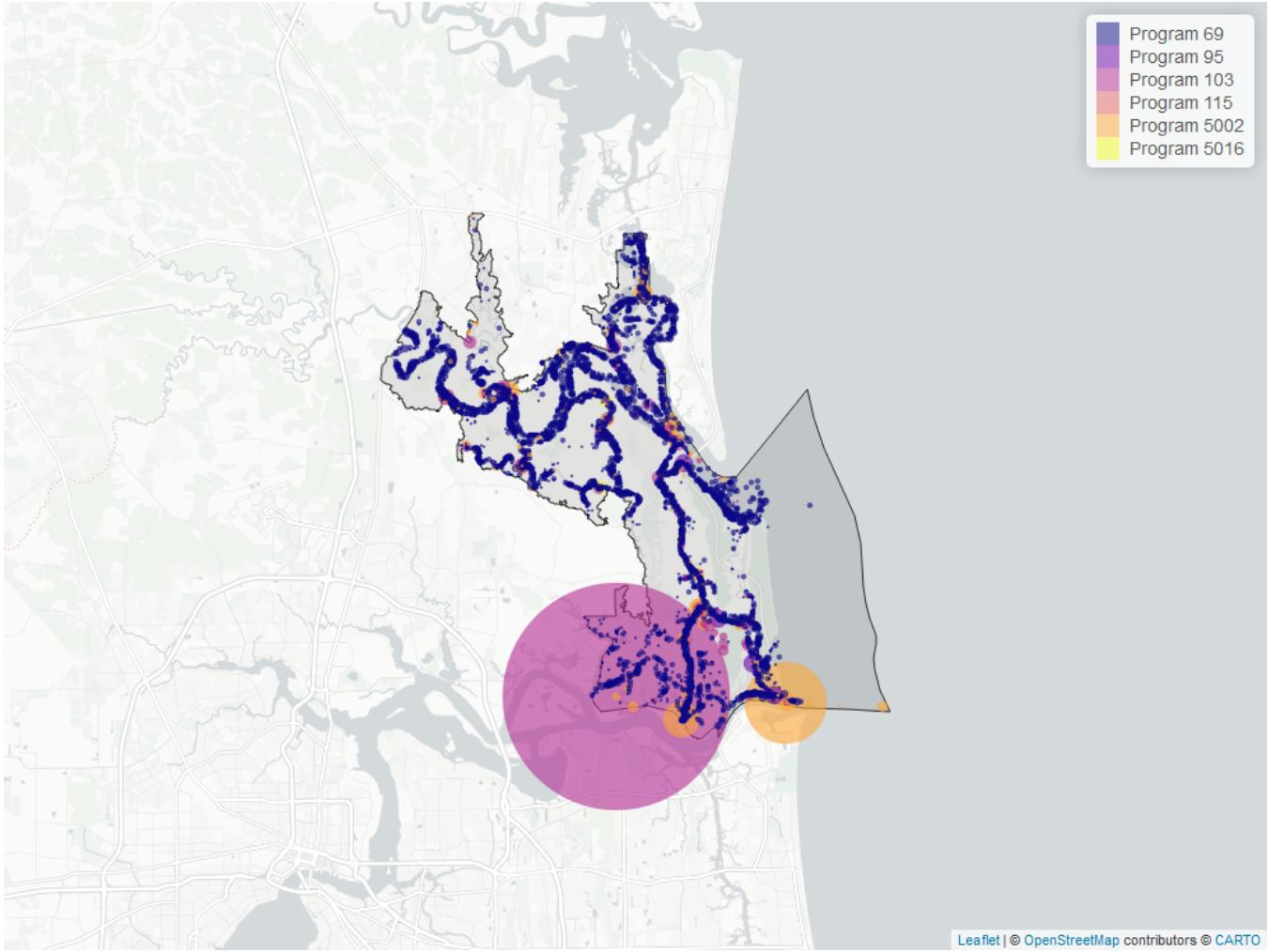


Figure 10: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for pH. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 15: Programs contributing data for pH

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
69	18155	2001	2022
103	8896	1982	2021
5002	2392	1997	2024
95	192	2013	2018
5016	72	2019	2024
115	3	1995	1995

#### Program names:

- 69 - Fisheries-Independent Monitoring (FIM) Program<sup>5</sup>
- 95 - Harmful Algal Bloom Marine Observation Network<sup>6</sup>
- 103 - EPA STOrage and RETrieval Data Warehouse (STORET)/WQX<sup>1</sup>
- 115 - Environmental Monitoring Assessment Program<sup>7</sup>
- 5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>
- 5016 - NEAP Monthly Water Quality Monitoring<sup>3</sup>

## Salinity - Discrete Water Quality

### Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis

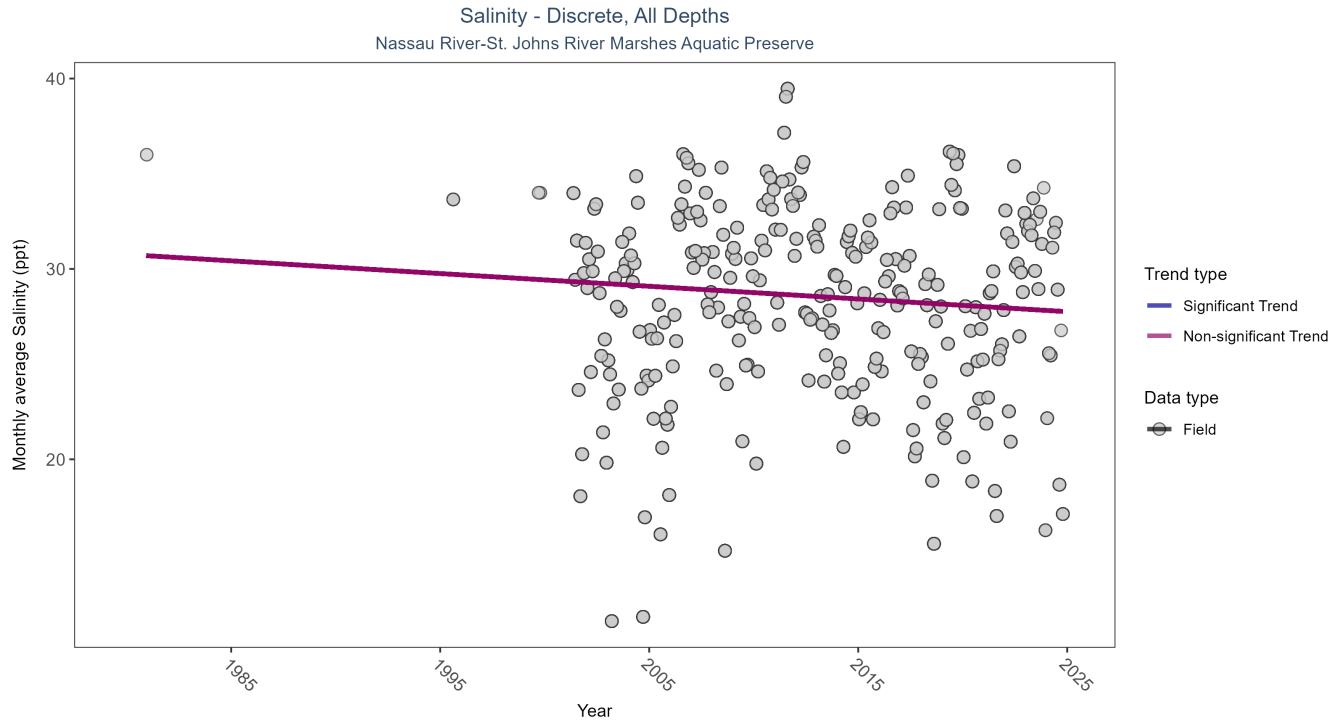


Figure 11: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for Salinity - Discrete

Table 16: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for Salinity

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
All	21104	29	30.5	TRUE	-0.0637	0.1078	-0.0668	30.7585	6.0347	0.871	0

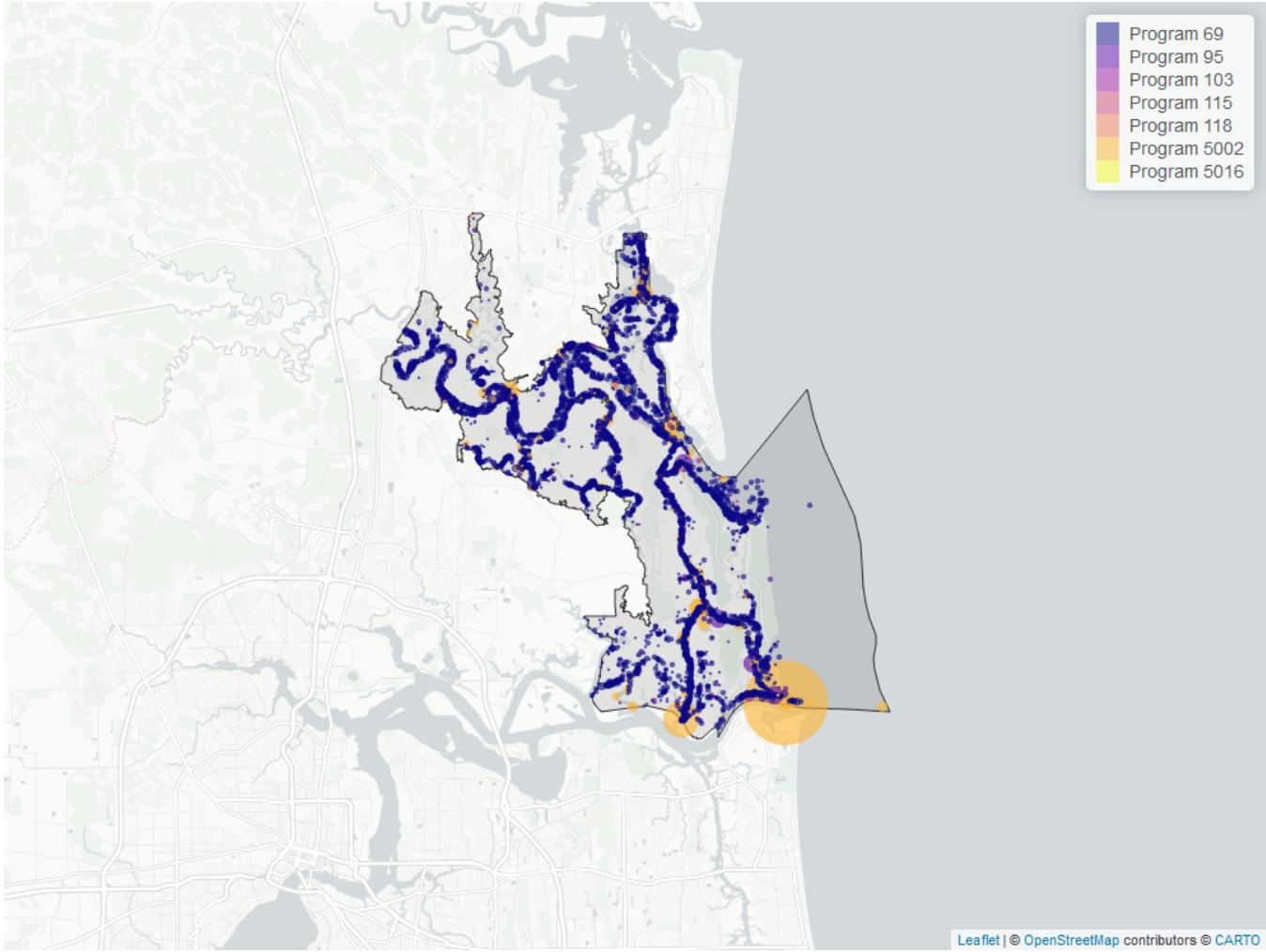


Figure 12: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for Salinity. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 17: Programs contributing data for Salinity

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
69	18214	2001	2022
5002	2494	1997	2024
95	212	1980	2018
103	136	2004	2008
5016	51	2019	2023
118	13	2015	2021
115	4	1995	1995

#### Program names:

69 - Fisheries-Independent Monitoring (FIM) Program<sup>5</sup>

95 - Harmful Algal Bloom Marine Observation Network<sup>6</sup>

103 - EPA STOrage and RETrieval Data Warehouse (STORET)/WQX<sup>1</sup>

115 - Environmental Monitoring Assessment Program<sup>7</sup>

118 - National Aquatic Resource Surveys, National Coastal Condition Assessment<sup>4</sup>

5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>

5016 - NEAP Monthly Water Quality Monitoring<sup>3</sup>

## Secchi Depth - Discrete Water Quality

### Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis

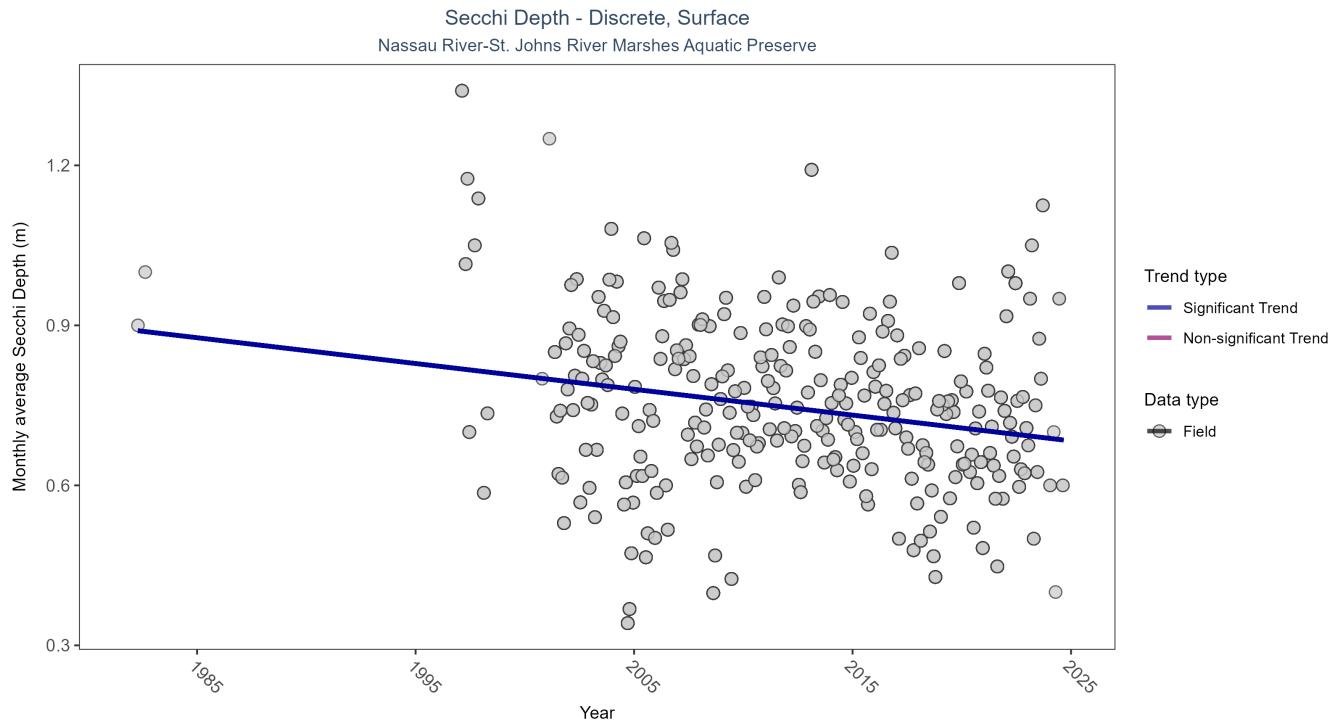


Figure 13: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for Secchi Depth - Discrete

Table 18: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for Secchi Depth

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
Surface	18753	28	0.7	TRUE	-0.1629	0.0001	-0.0048	0.8914	13.4515	0.2648	-1

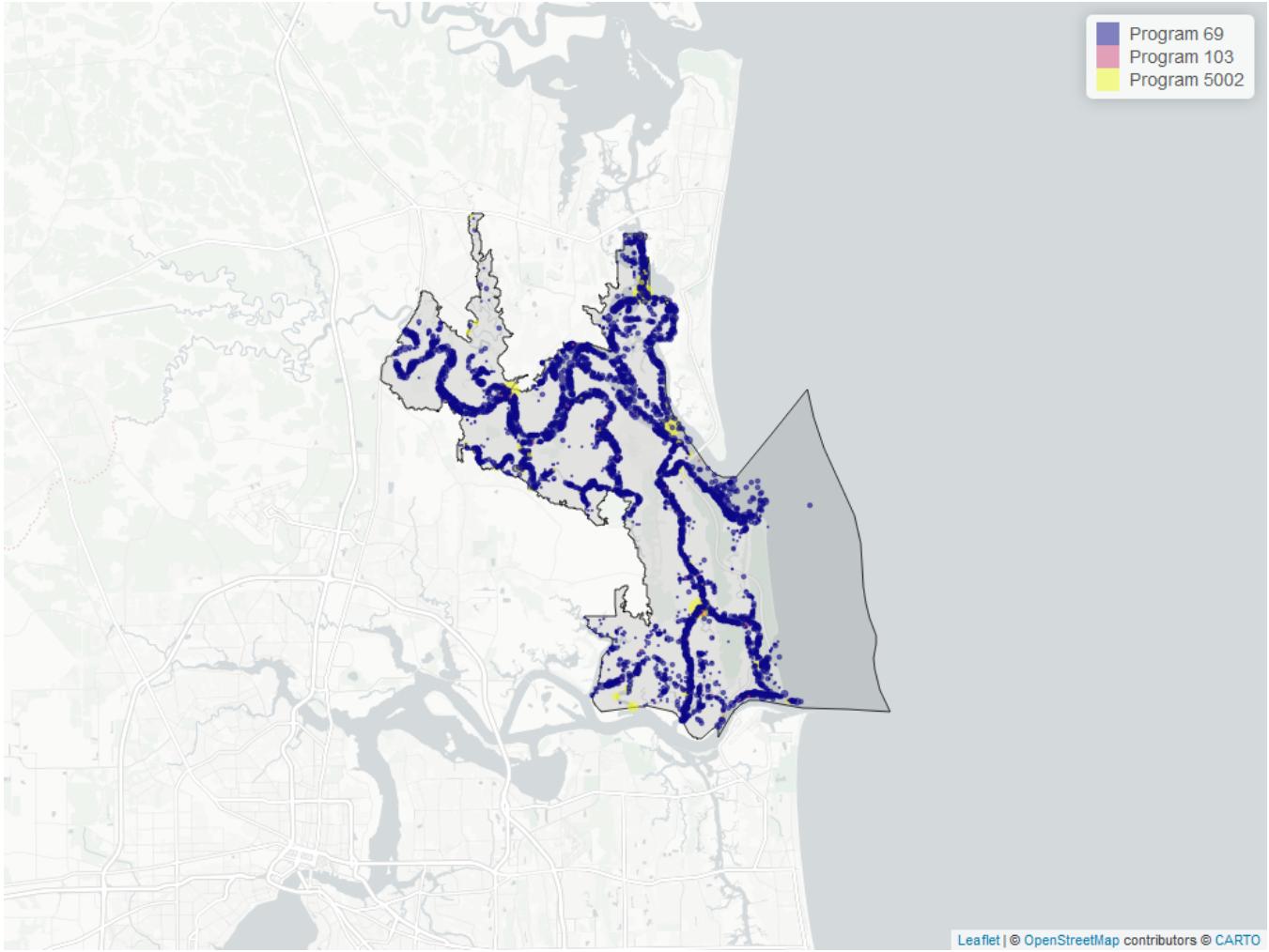


Figure 14: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for Secchi Depth. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 19: Programs contributing data for Secchi Depth

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
69	18146	2001	2022
5002	515	2000	2024
103	94	1982	2021

#### Program names:

69 - Fisheries-Independent Monitoring (FIM) Program<sup>5</sup>

103 - EPA STOrage and RETrieval Data Warehouse (STORET)/WQX<sup>1</sup>

5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>

## Total Nitrogen - Discrete Water Quality

### Total Nitrogen Calculation:

The logic for calculated Total Nitrogen was provided by Kevin O'Donnell and colleagues at FDEP (with the help of Jay Silvanima, Watershed Monitoring Section). The following logic is used, in this order, based on the availability of specific nitrogen components.

- 1)  $TN = TKN + NO_3O_2;$
- 2)  $TN = TKN + NO_3 + NO_2;$
- 3)  $TN = ORGN + NH_4 + NO_3O_2;$
- 4)  $TN = ORGN + NH_4 + NO_2 + NO_3;$
- 5)  $TN = TKN + NO_3;$
- 6)  $TN = ORGN + NH_4 + NO_3;$

Additional Information:

- Rules for use of sample fraction:
  - Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) report that if both “Total” and “Dissolved” components are reported, only “Total” is used. If the total is not reported, then the dissolved components are used as a best available replacement.
  - Total nitrogen calculations are done using nitrogen components with the same sample fraction, nitrogen components with mixed total/dissolved sample fractions are not used. In other words, total nitrogen can be calculated when TKN and NO<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> are both total sample fractions, or when both are dissolved sample fractions. *Future calculations of total nitrogen values may be based on components with mixed sample fractions.*
- Values inserted into data:
  - ParameterName = “Total Nitrogen”
  - SEACAR\_QAACFlagCode = “1Q”
  - SEACAR\_QAAC>Description = “SEACAR Calculated”

## Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis

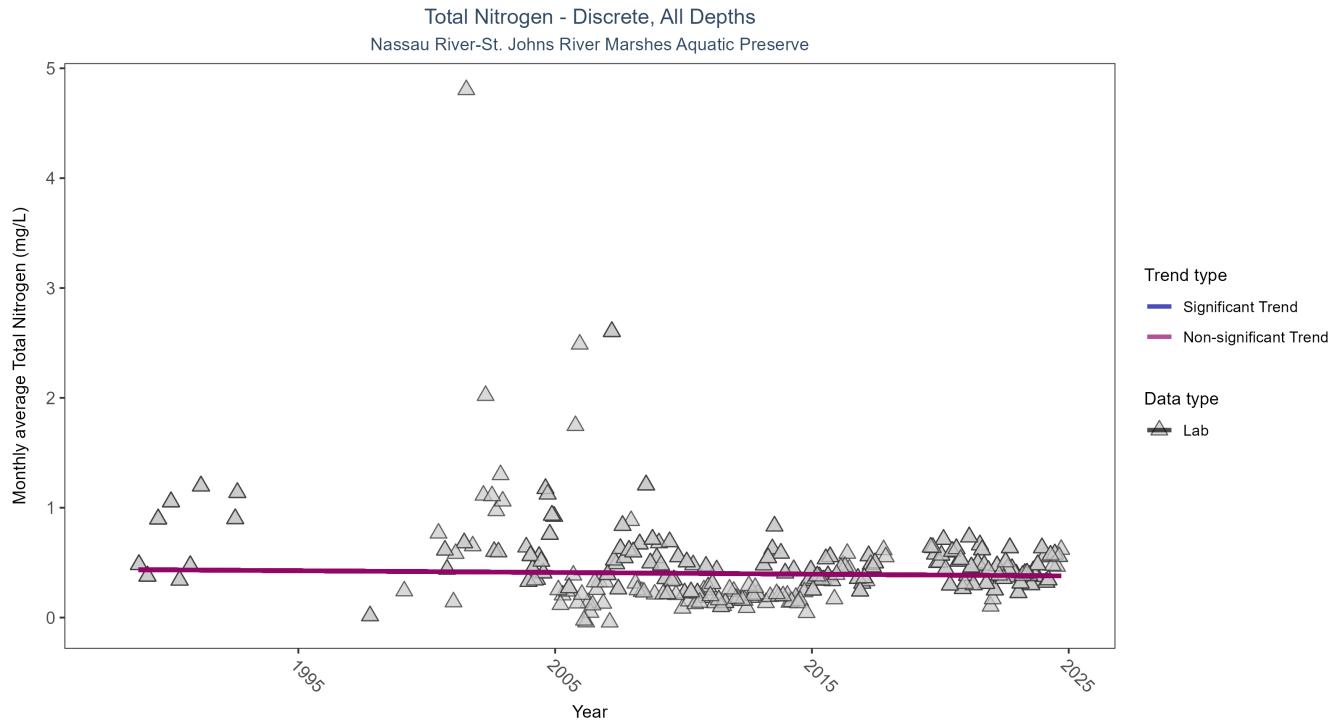


Figure 15: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for Total Nitrogen - Discrete

Table 20: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for Total Nitrogen

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
All	983	31	0.415	TRUE	-0.0285	0.5461	-0.0016	0.4373	6.6816	0.8242	0

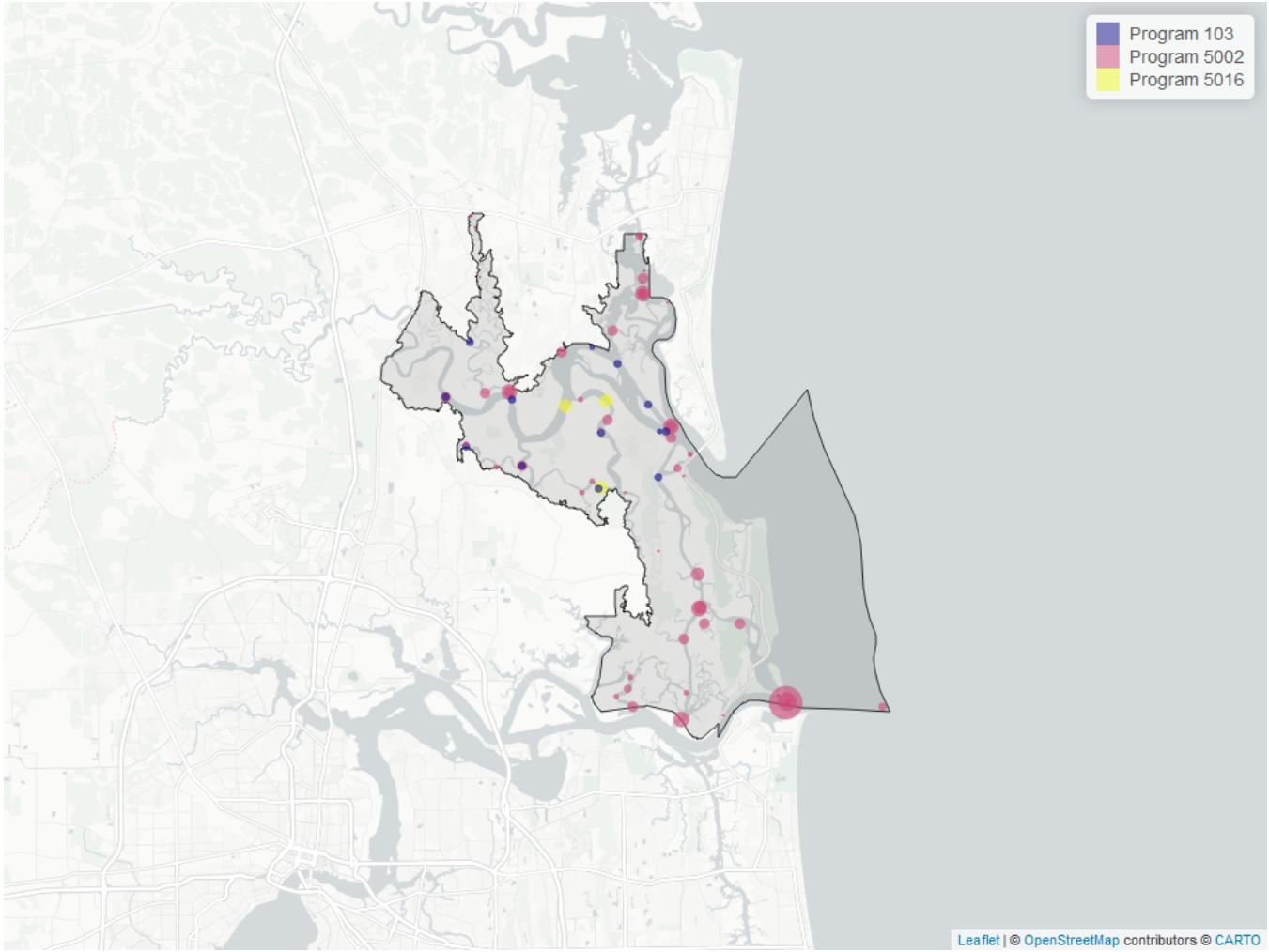


Figure 16: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for Total Nitrogen. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 21: Programs contributing data for Total Nitrogen

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
5002	820	1997	2024
103	94	1988	2005
5016	69	2019	2024

#### Program names:

103 - EPA STOrage and RETrieval Data Warehouse (STORET)/WQX<sup>1</sup>

5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>

5016 - NEAP Monthly Water Quality Monitoring<sup>3</sup>

## Total Phosphorus - Discrete Water Quality

### Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis

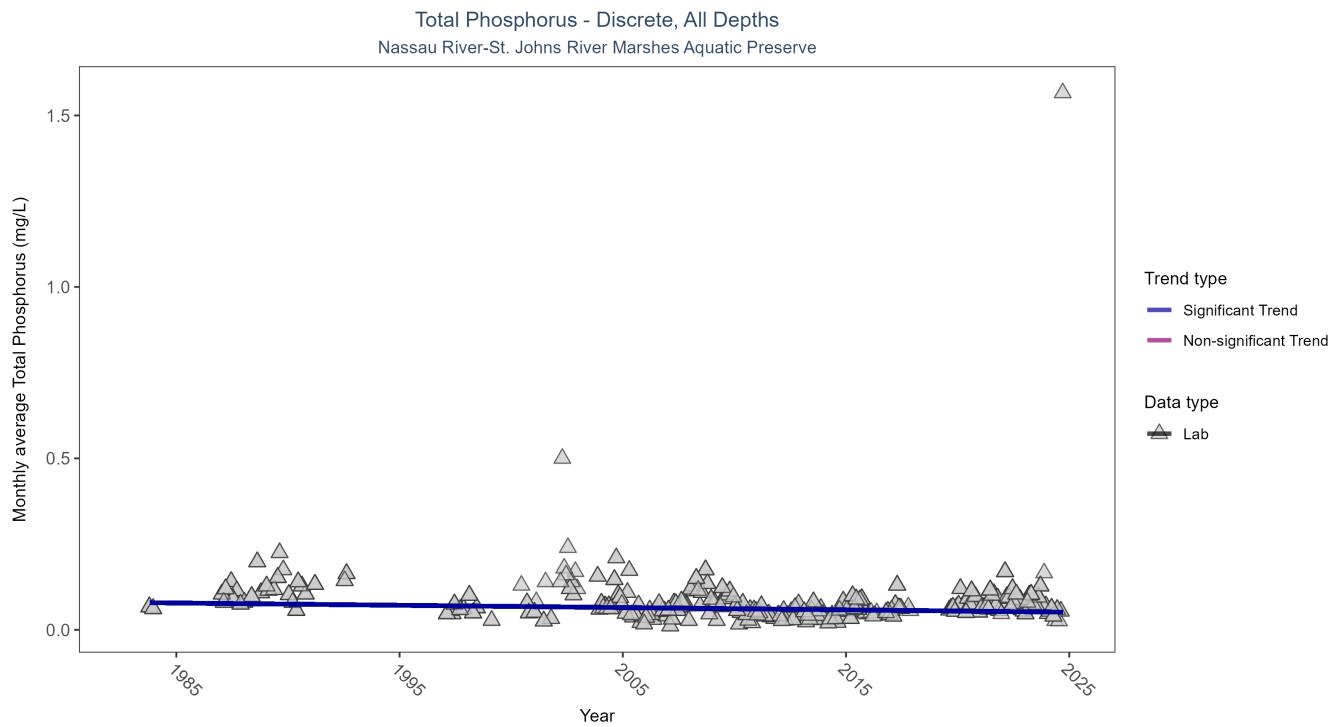


Figure 17: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for Total Phosphorus - Discrete

Table 22: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for Total Phosphorus

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
All	1742	34	0.069	TRUE	-0.1445	0.0014	-0.0007	0.0797	9.1244	0.6104	-1

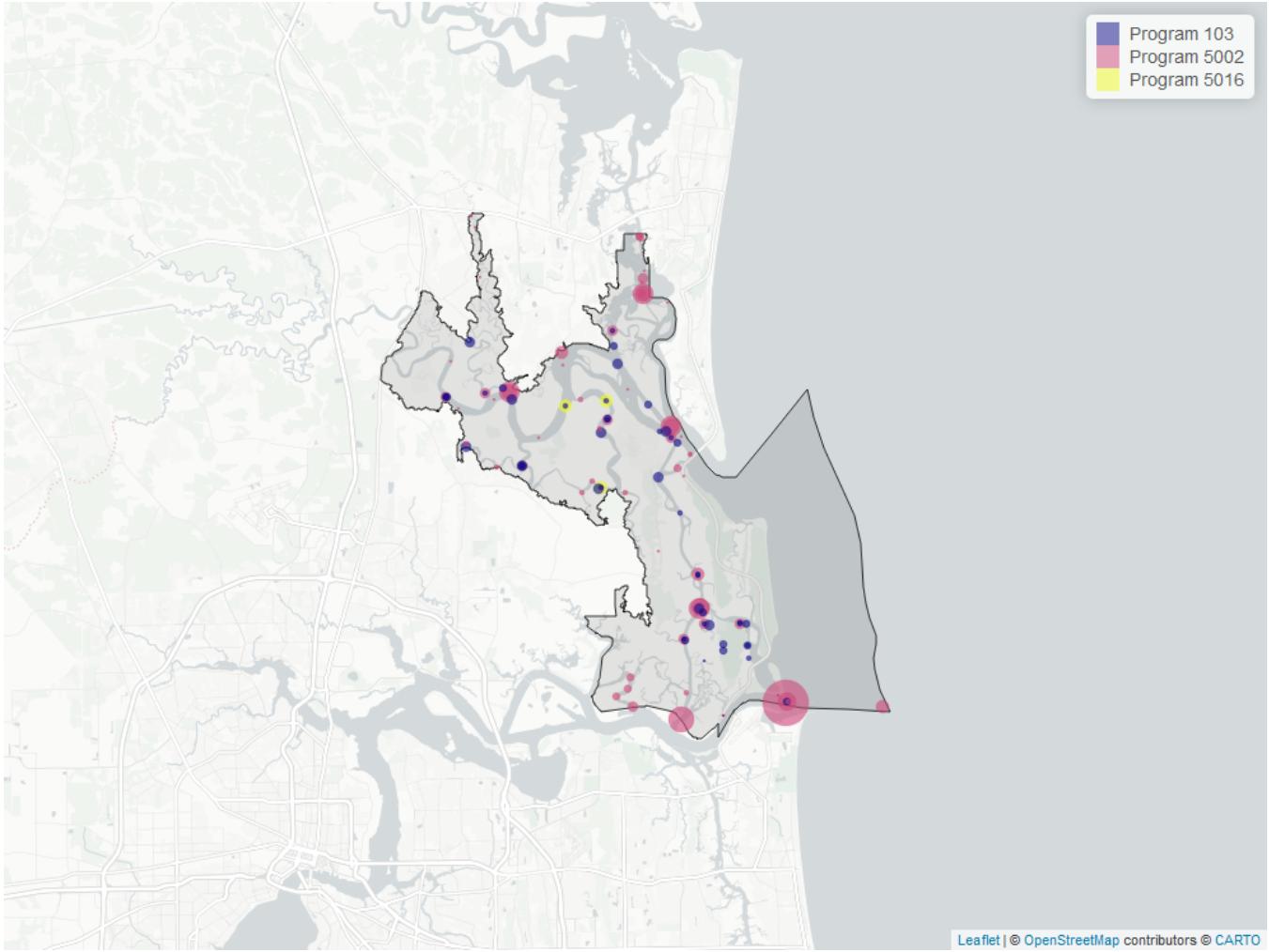


Figure 18: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for Total Phosphorus. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 23: Programs contributing data for Total Phosphorus

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
5002	1317	1997	2024
103	376	1983	2021
5016	72	2019	2024

#### Program names:

103 - EPA STOrage and RETrieval Data Warehouse (STORET)/WQX<sup>1</sup>

5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>

5016 - NEAP Monthly Water Quality Monitoring<sup>3</sup>

#### Total Suspended Solids - Discrete Water Quality

#### Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis

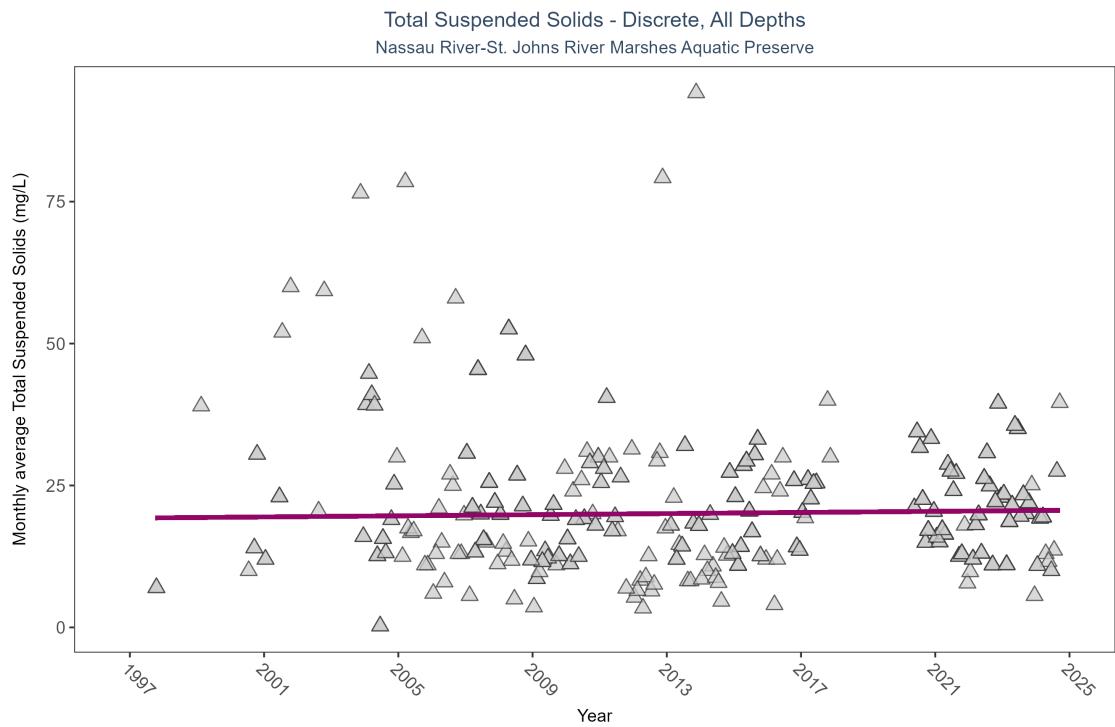


Figure 19: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for Total Suspended Solids - Discrete

Table 24: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for Total Suspended Solids

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
All	782	25	17.6	TRUE	0.0206	0.6605	0.0495	19.2572	11.6749	0.3886	0

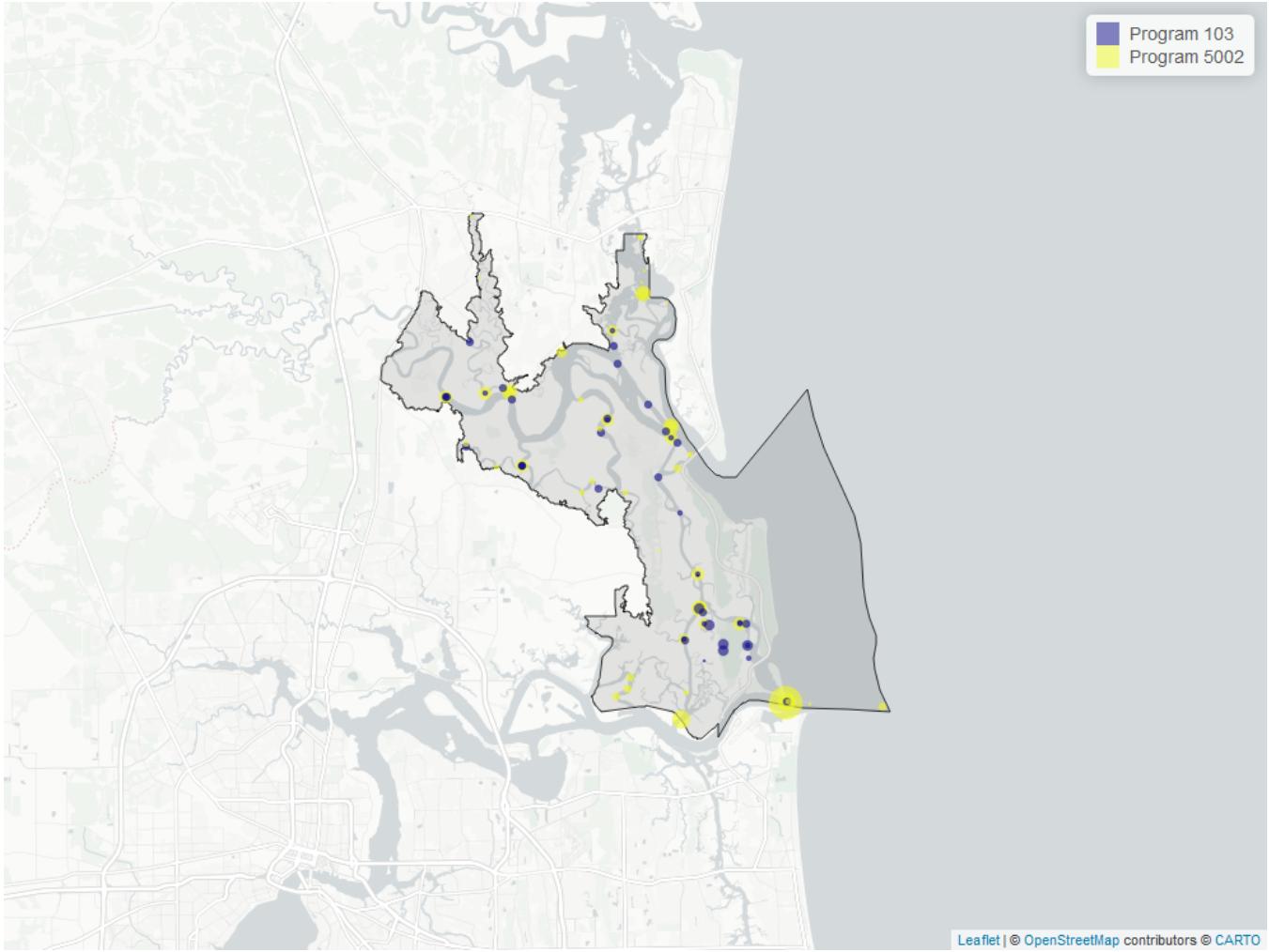


Figure 20: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for Total Suspended Solids. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 25: Programs contributing data for Total Suspended Solids

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
5002	813	1997	2024
103	321	1983	2021

#### Program names:

103 - EPA STOrage and RETrieval Data Warehouse (STORET)/WQX<sup>1</sup>

5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>

#### Turbidity - Discrete Water Quality

#### Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis

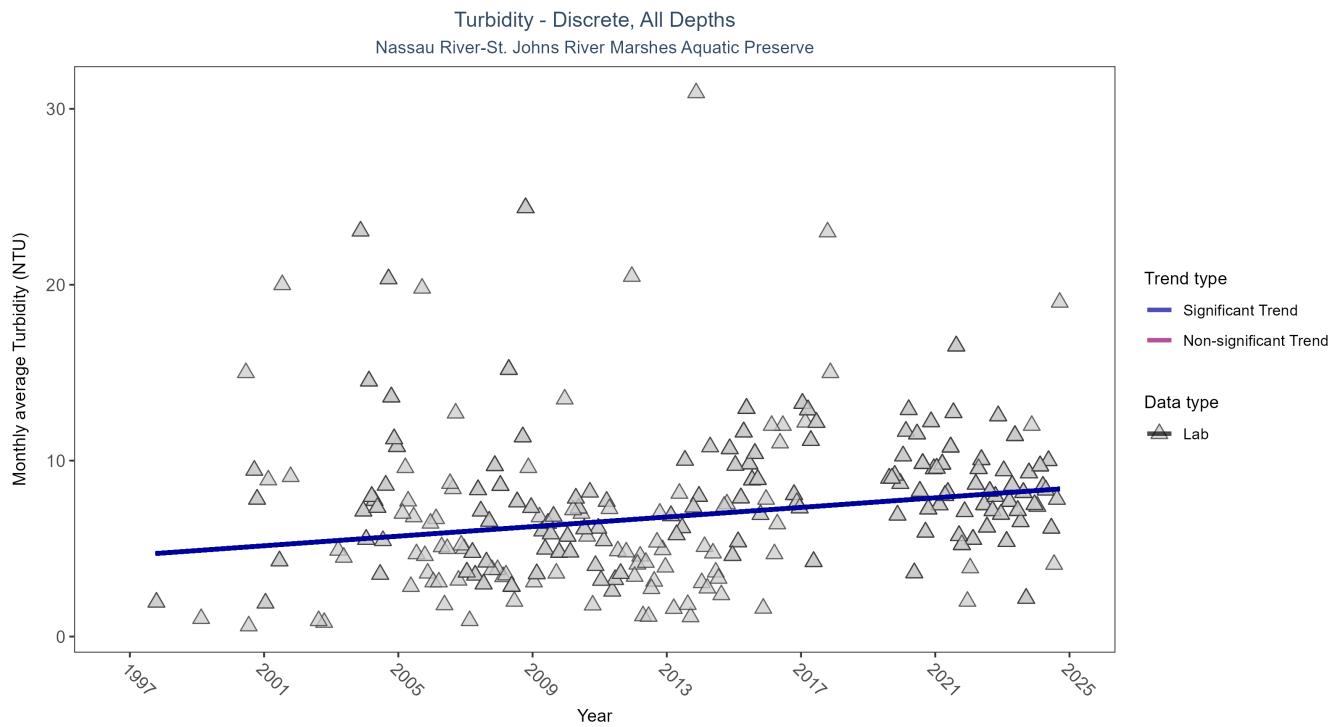


Figure 21: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for Turbidity - Discrete

Table 26: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for Turbidity

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
All	916	26	7	TRUE	0.1738	0.0002	0.1363	4.6153	13.1408	0.2842	1

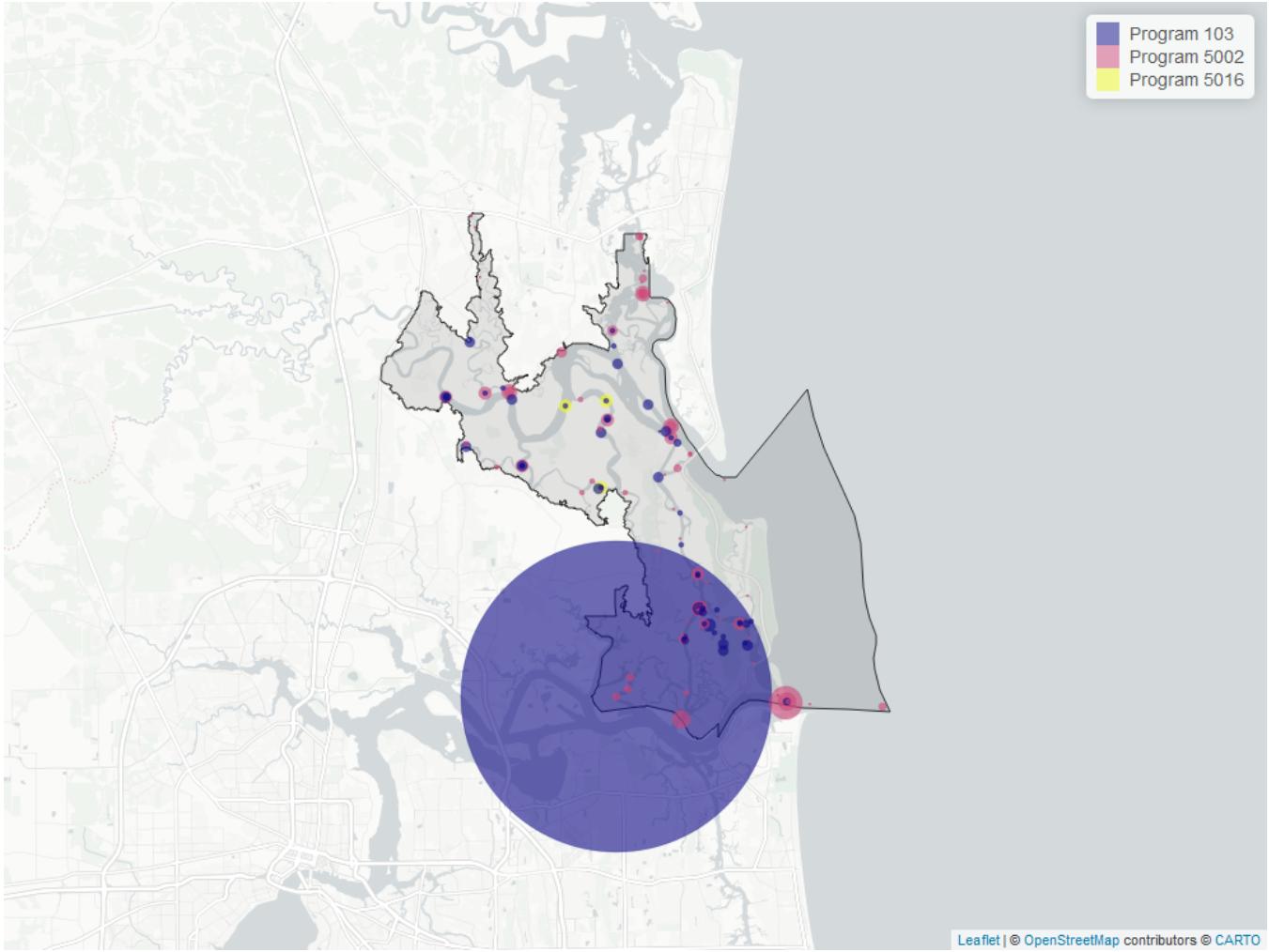


Figure 22: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for Turbidity. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 27: Programs contributing data for Turbidity

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
103	15270	1985	2021
5002	865	1997	2024
5016	73	2019	2024

#### Program names:

103 - EPA STOrage and RETrieval Data Warehouse (STORET)/WQX<sup>1</sup>

5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>

5016 - NEAP Monthly Water Quality Monitoring<sup>3</sup>

#### Water Temperature - Discrete Water Quality

##### Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis

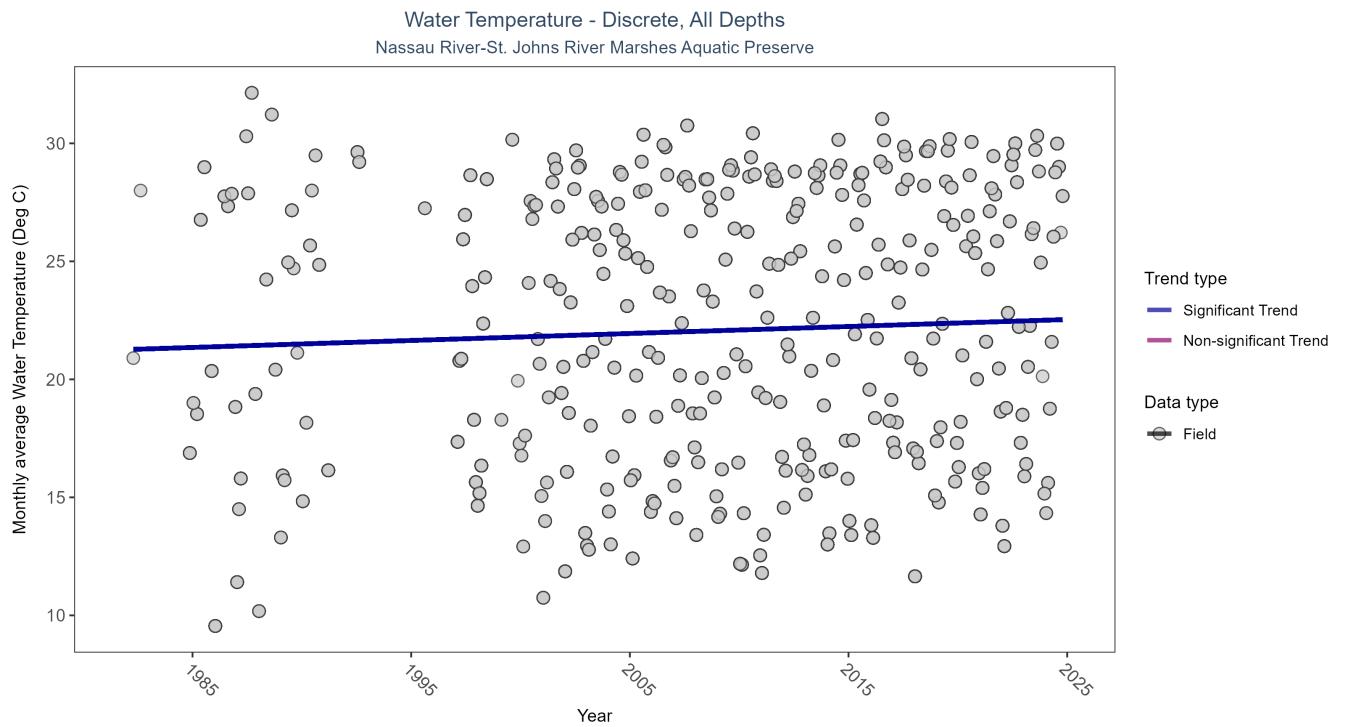


Figure 23: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for Water Temperature - Discrete

Table 28: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Trend Analysis for Water Temperature

RelativeDepth	N-Data	N-Years	Median	Independent	tau	p	SennSlope	SennIntercept	ChiSquared	pChiSquared	Trend
All	40859	39	21.6	TRUE	0.1455	0.0001	0.0296	21.2625	7.5953	0.749	1

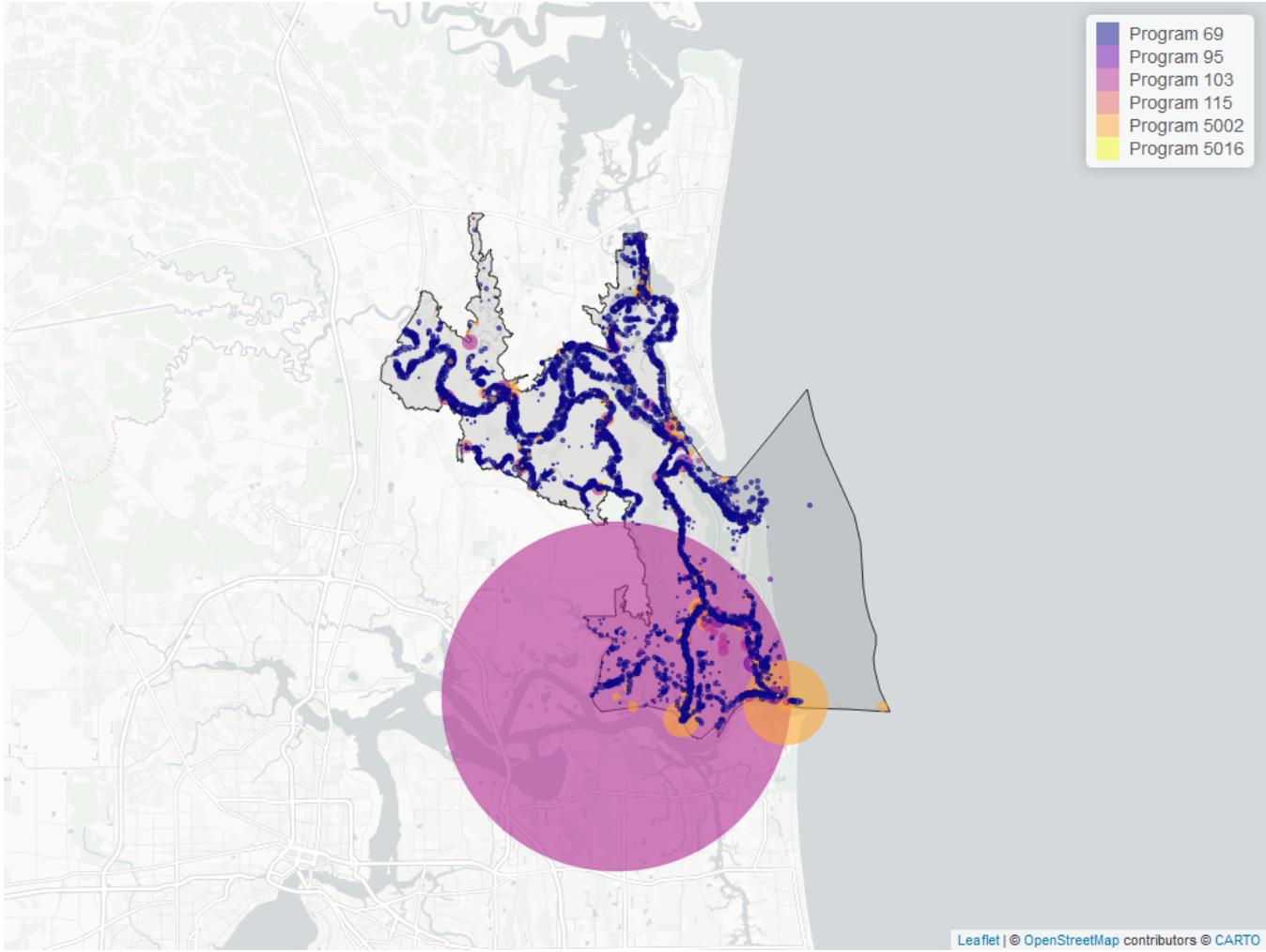


Figure 24: Map showing location of Discrete sampling sites for Water Temperature. The bubble size on the maps below reflect the amount of data available at each sampling site.

Table 29: Programs contributing data for Water Temperature

<i>ProgramID</i>	<i>N_Data</i>	<i>YearMin</i>	<i>YearMax</i>
103	19853	1982	2021
69	18218	2001	2022
5002	2508	1997	2024
95	212	2007	2018
5016	72	2019	2024
115	4	1995	1995

#### Program names:

69 - Fisheries-Independent Monitoring (FIM) Program<sup>5</sup>

95 - Harmful Algal Bloom Marine Observation Network<sup>6</sup>

103 - EPA STOrage and RETrieval Data Warehouse (STORET)/WQX<sup>1</sup>

115 - Environmental Monitoring Assessment Program<sup>7</sup>

5002 - Florida STORET / WIN<sup>2</sup>

5016 - NEAP Monthly Water Quality Monitoring<sup>3</sup>

## Water Quality - Continuous

The following files were used in the continuous analysis:

- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_cont\_Dissolved\_Oxygen\_NE-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_cont\_Dissolved\_Oxygen\_Saturation\_NE-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_cont\_pH\_NE-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_cont\_Salinity\_NE-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_cont\_Turbidity\_NE-2024-Dec-08.txt*
- *Combined\_WQ\_WC\_NUT\_cont\_Water\_Temperature\_NE-2024-Dec-08.txt*

### Continuous monitoring locations in Nassau River-St. Johns River Marshes Aquatic Preserve

Table 30: National Water Information System (7)

<i>ProgramLocationID</i>	<i>Years of Data</i>	<i>Use in Analysis</i>	<i>Parameters</i>
02231291	3	FALSE	DO , TempW

Table 31: Northeast Aquatic Preserves Continuous Water Quality Monitoring (5006)

<i>ProgramLocationID</i>	<i>Years of Data</i>	<i>Use in Analysis</i>	<i>Parameters</i>
NECI	2	FALSE	DO , DOS , pH , Sal , Turb , TempW
NEHM	3	FALSE	DO , DOS , pH , Sal , Turb , TempW
NEKD	8	TRUE	DO , DOS , pH , Sal , Turb , TempW
NELC	7	TRUE	DO , DOS , pH , Sal , Turb , TempW
NENR	3	FALSE	DO , DOS , pH , Sal , Turb , TempW

Table 32: St. Johns River Water Management District Continuous Water Quality Programs (5061)

<i>ProgramLocationID</i>	<i>Years of Data</i>	<i>Use in Analysis</i>	<i>Parameters</i>
NCB19020038	5	TRUE	DO , DOS , pH , Sal , Turb , TempW
NCBARD16	2	FALSE	DO , DOS , pH , Sal , Turb , TempW
NCBNRCM	5	TRUE	DO , DOS , pH , Sal , Turb , TempW

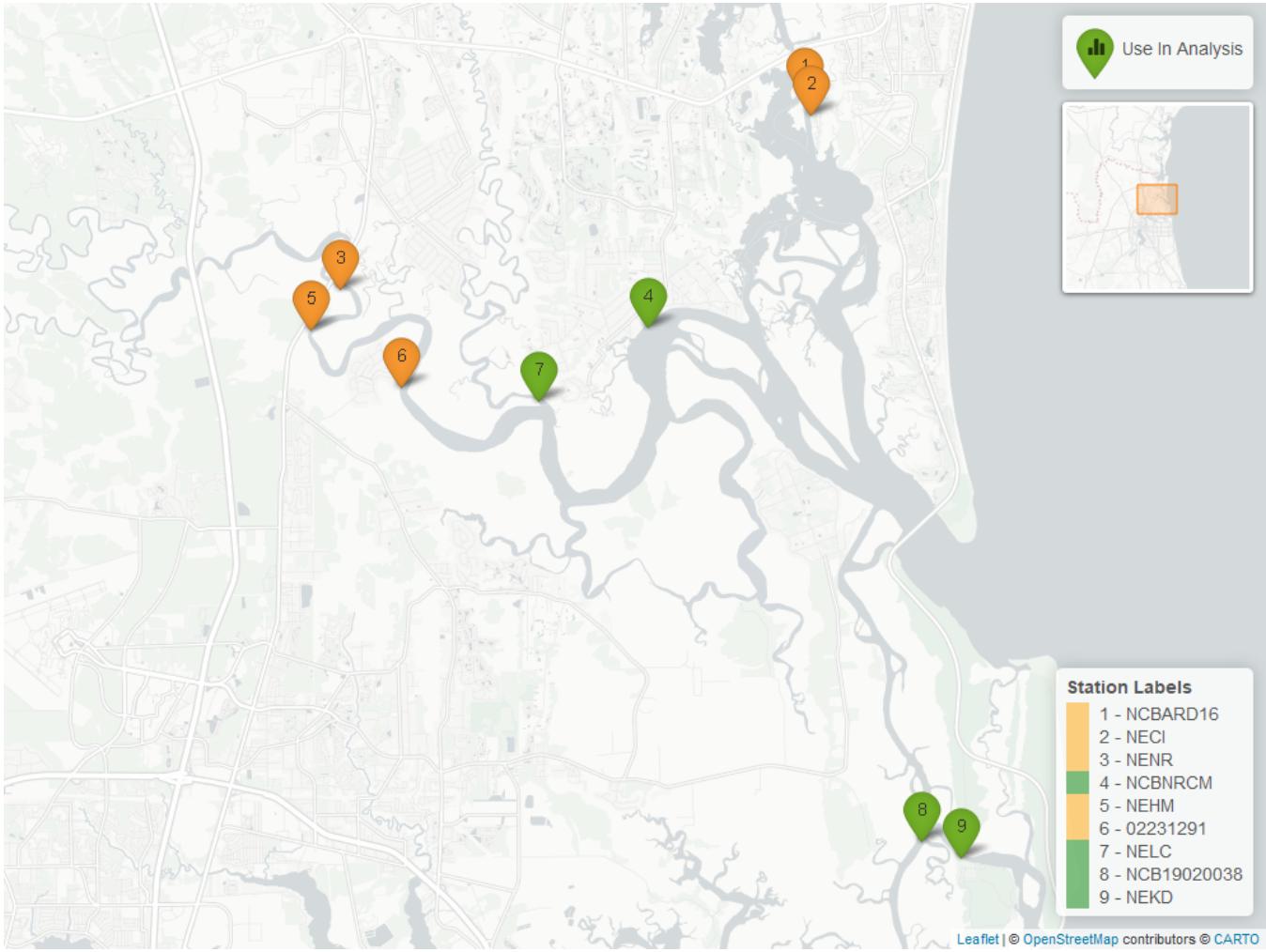


Figure 25: Map showing Continuous Water Quality Monitoring sampling locations within the boundaries of Nassau River-St. Johns River Marshes Aquatic Preserve. Sites marked as *Use In Analysis* are featured in this report.

## Dissolved Oxygen - All Stations Combined

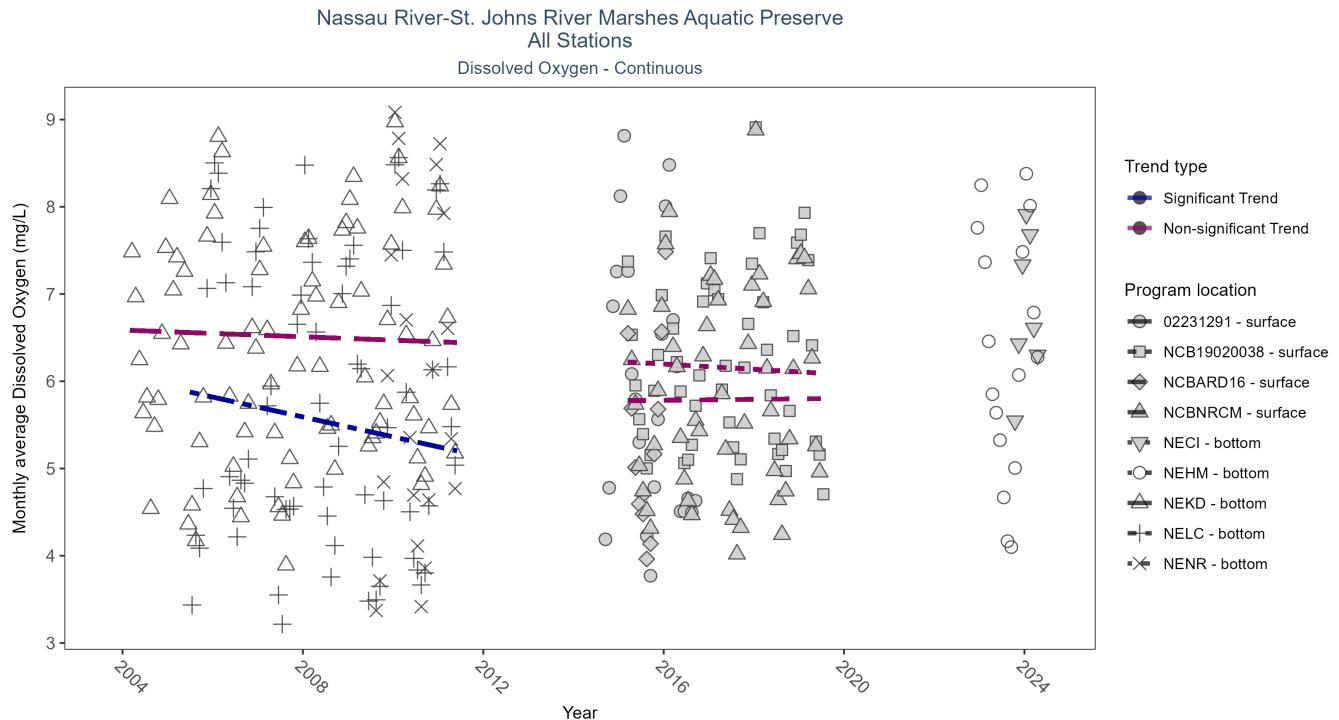


Figure 26: Figure for Dissolved Oxygen - Continuous - All stations combined

Table 33: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for All Stations - Dissolved Oxygen

Station	N_Data	N_Years	Period of Record	Median	tau	SennIntercept	SennSlope	p
02231291	689	3	2014 - 2016	5.70	-	-	-	-
NEHM	45684	3	2022 - 2024	6.20	-	-	-	-
NECI	16044	2	2023 - 2024	7.10	-	-	-	-
NEKD	110958	8	2004 - 2011	6.40	-0.04	6.59	-0.02	0.5607
NELC	95860	7	2005 - 2011	5.60	-0.34	5.93	-0.11	0.0014
NENR	31438	3	2009 - 2011	5.80	-	-	-	-
NCBARD16	7417	2	2015 - 2016	5.08	-	-	-	-
NCB19020038	34476	5	2015 - 2019	6.16	-0.03	6.23	-0.03	0.6108
NCBNRCM	35477	5	2015 - 2019	5.79	0.05	5.78	0.01	0.7970

## Dissolved Oxygen Saturation - All Stations Combined

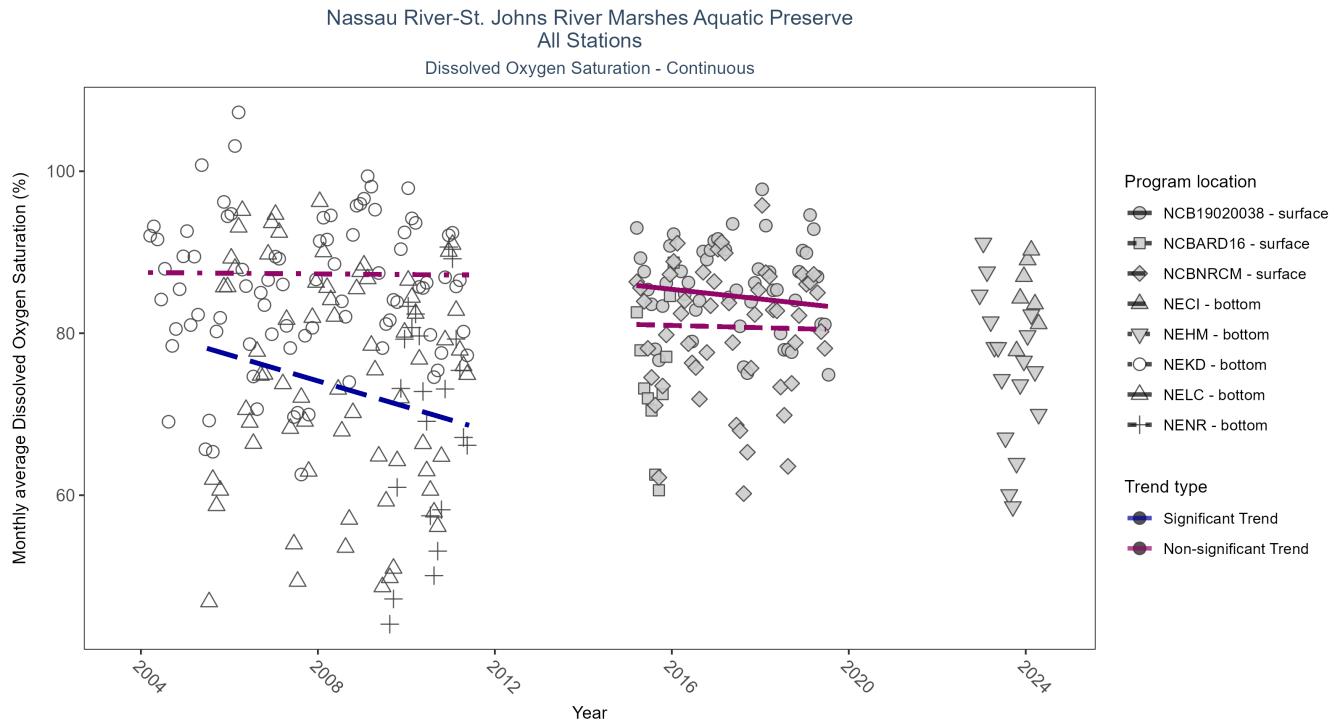


Figure 27: Figure for Dissolved Oxygen Saturation - Continuous - All stations combined

Table 34: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for All Stations - Dissolved Oxygen Saturation

Station	N_Data	N_Years	Period of Record	Median	tau	SennIntercept	SennSlope	p
NEHM	45684	3	2022 - 2024	76.40	-	-	-	-
NECI	16044	2	2023 - 2024	86.60	-	-	-	-
NEKD	110983	8	2004 - 2011	89.10	0	87.49	-0.04	0.9338
NELC	95868	7	2005 - 2011	77.90	-0.27	78.93	-1.6	0.0111
NENR	31438	3	2009 - 2011	73.20	-	-	-	-
NCBARD16	7417	2	2015 - 2016	74.44	-	-	-	-
NCBNRCM	35240	5	2015 - 2019	82.06	-0.05	81.1	-0.14	0.7970
NCB19020038	34438	5	2015 - 2019	87.06	-0.16	86.02	-0.6	0.1268

## pH - All Stations Combined

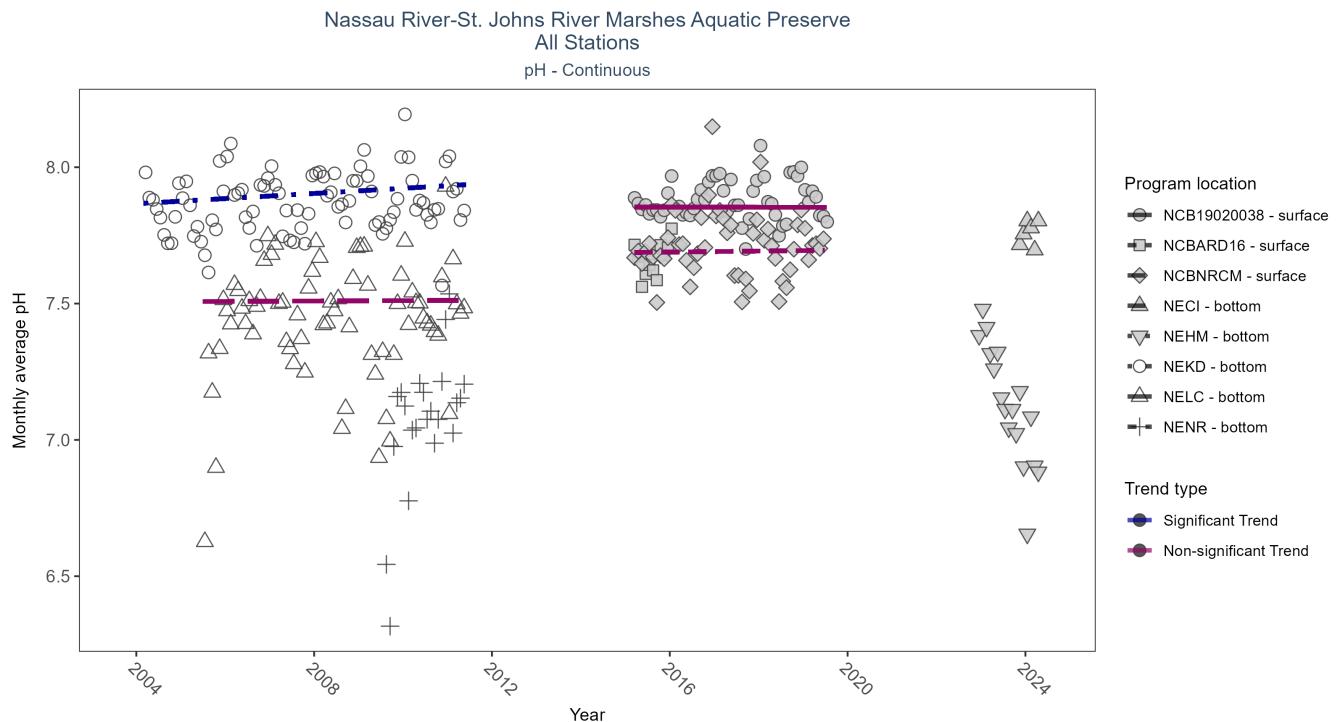


Figure 28: Figure for pH - Continuous - All stations combined

Table 35: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for All Stations - pH

Station	N_Data	N_Years	Period of Record	Median	tau	SennIntercept	SennSlope	p
NECI	13737	2	2023 - 2024	7.80	-	-	-	-
NEHM	45692	3	2022 - 2024	7.20	-	-	-	-
NEKD	113471	8	2004 - 2011	7.90	0.19	7.87	0.01	0.0491
NELC	96488	7	2005 - 2011	7.50	0.02	7.51	0	0.9121
NENR	31438	3	2009 - 2011	7.10	-	-	-	-
NCB19020038	34405	5	2015 - 2019	7.88	-0.01	7.85	0	1.0000
NCBARD16	6952	2	2015 - 2016	7.66	-	-	-	-
NCBNRCM	35819	5	2015 - 2019	7.72	-0.01	7.69	0	0.9317

## Salinity - All Stations Combined

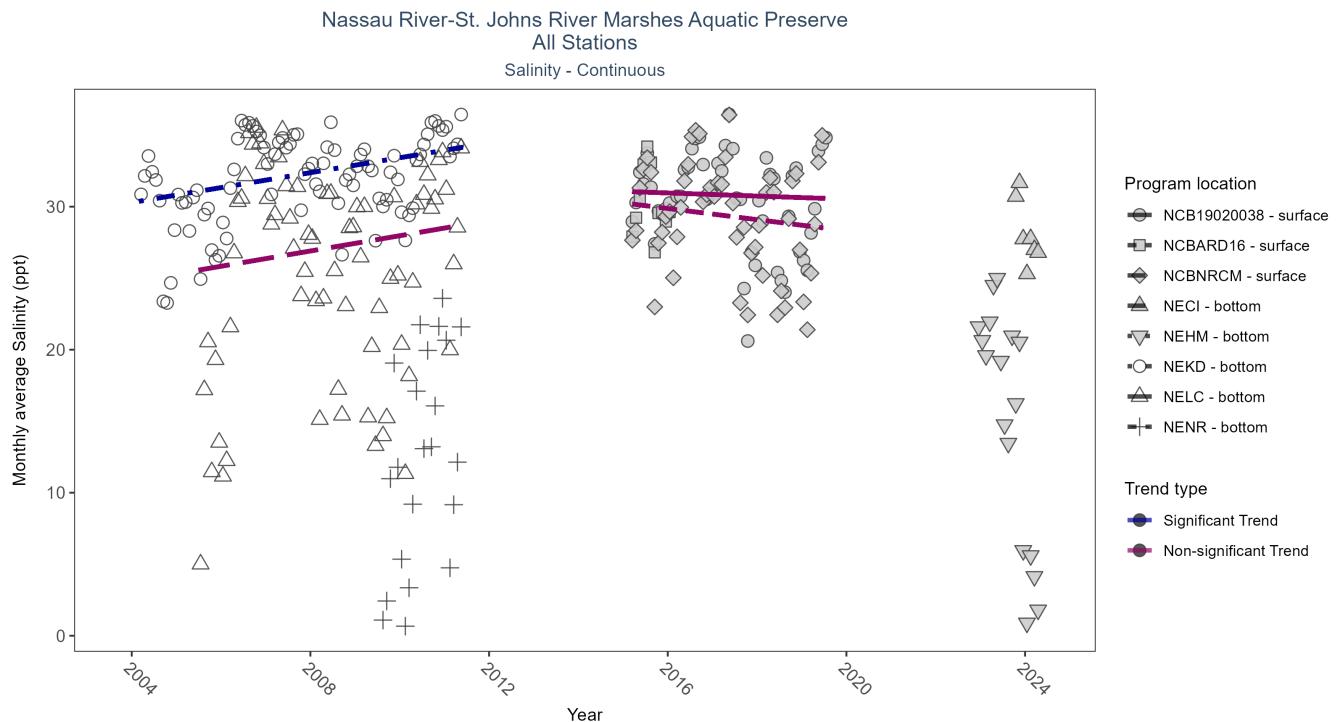


Figure 29: Figure for Salinity - Continuous - All stations combined

Table 36: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for All Stations - Salinity

Station	N_Data	N_Years	Period of Record	Median	tau	SennIntercept	SennSlope	p
NEHM	45691	3	2022 - 2024	17.40	-	-	-	-
NEKD	118328	8	2004 - 2011	33.20	0.31	30.29	0.52	0.0006
NECI	16043	2	2023 - 2024	27.60	-	-	-	-
NELC	100339	7	2005 - 2011	27.90	0.09	25.3	0.53	0.4397
NENR	31438	3	2009 - 2011	12.40	-	-	-	-
NCBNRCM	35411	5	2015 - 2019	30.29	-0.12	30.26	-0.39	0.5483
NCBARD16	7418	2	2015 - 2016	30.07	-	-	-	-
NCB19020038	34438	5	2015 - 2019	31.75	-0.06	31.07	-0.11	1.0000

## Turbidity - All Stations Combined

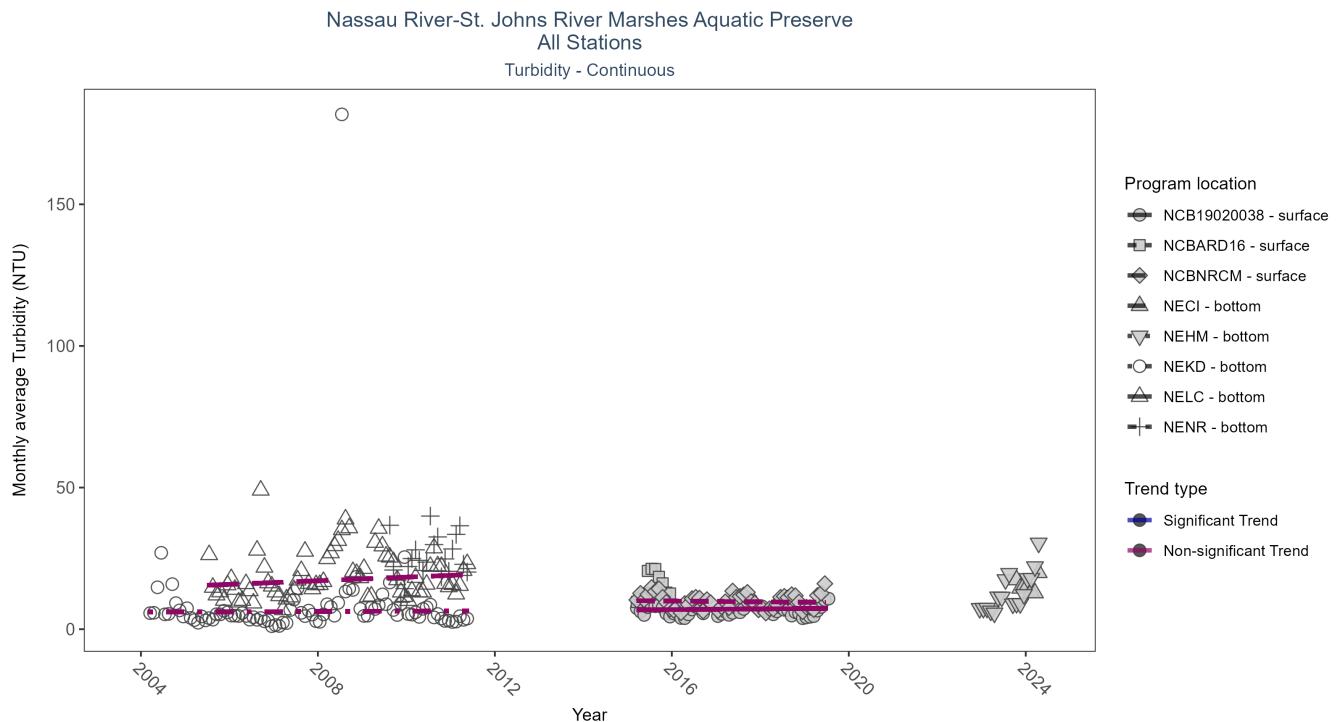


Figure 30: Figure for Turbidity - Continuous - All stations combined

Table 37: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for All Stations - Turbidity

Station	N_Data	N_Years	Period of Record	Median	tau	SennIntercept	SennSlope	p
NEHM	45870	3	2022 - 2024	10.00	-	-	-	-
NEKD	114181	8	2004 - 2011	4.00	0.02	6.06	0.05	0.8697
NECI	16045	2	2023 - 2024	12.00	-	-	-	-
NELC	96153	7	2005 - 2011	15.00	0.16	15.18	0.64	0.1513
NENR	31087	3	2009 - 2011	21.00	-	-	-	-
NCB19020038	31407	5	2015 - 2019	5.77	-0.01	6.79	0.12	0.7876
NCBARD16	7385	2	2015 - 2016	12.89	-	-	-	-
NCBNRCM	34696	5	2015 - 2019	8.64	-0.1	10.09	-0.14	0.6001

## Water Temperature - All Stations Combined

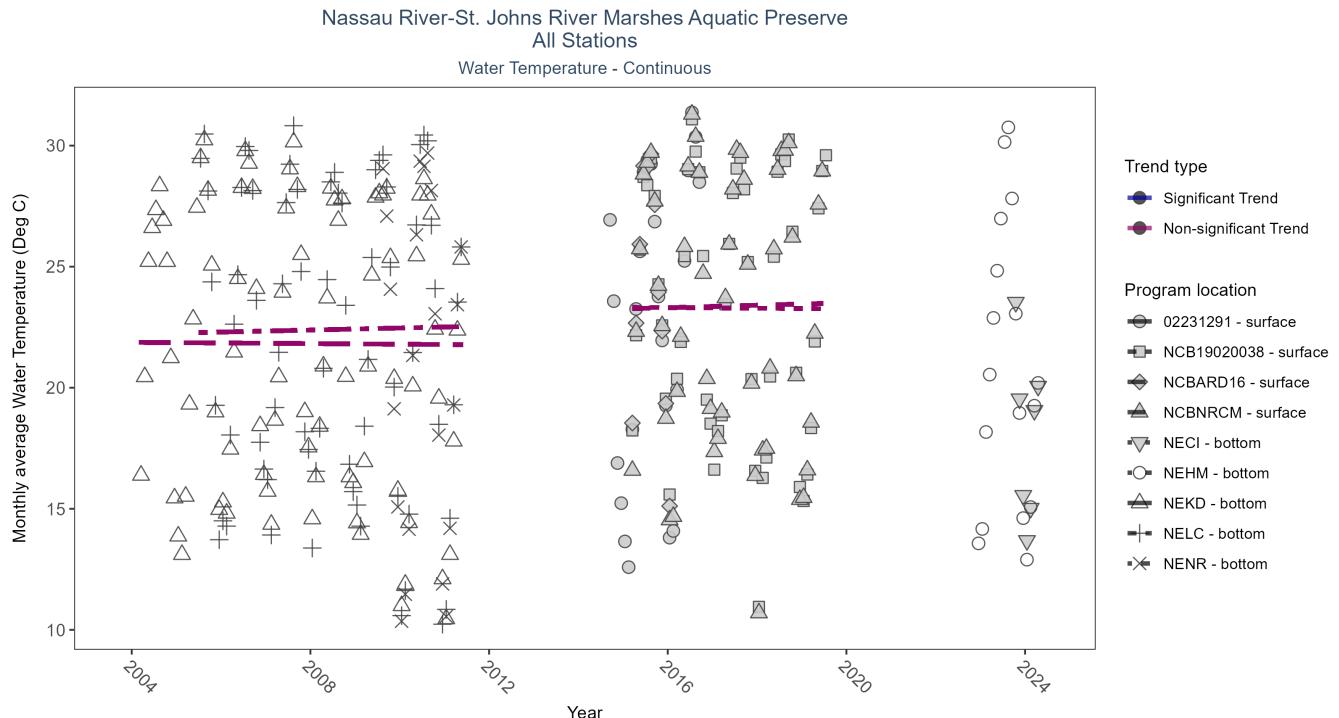


Figure 31: Figure for Water Temperature - Continuous - All stations combined

Table 38: Seasonal Kendall-Tau Results for All Stations - Water Temperature

Station	N_Data	N_Years	Period of Record	Median	tau	SennIntercept	SennSlope	p
02231291	710	3	2014 - 2016	23.50	-	-	-	-
NEHM	46096	3	2022 - 2024	20.50	-	-	-	-
NECI	16049	2	2023 - 2024	16.60	-	-	-	-
NEKD	118328	8	2004 - 2011	22.10	-0.04	21.88	-0.01	0.8057
NELC	100343	7	2005 - 2011	22.70	0.05	22.26	0.04	0.7405
NENR	31438	3	2009 - 2011	22.00	-	-	-	-
NCBNRCM	35817	5	2015 - 2019	24.03	0.07	23.26	0.05	0.6681
NCB19020038	34483	5	2015 - 2019	24.78	-0.03	23.32	-0.01	1.0000
NCBARD16	7419	2	2015 - 2016	25.08	-	-	-	-

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