



Surface Water Quantity Models

Progress Meeting Notes

September 8, 2015 – Teleconference

Attendees: **CDM Smith:** John Boyer, Nina Caraway
SCDNR: Joe Gellici, Andy Wachob, Scott Harder, Alex Pellet, Ken Rentiers, Bill Clendenin
SCDHEC: David Baize, Chuck Gorman, Rob Devlin
Technical Advisory Committee: Eddie Twilley, K.C. Price, Julie Metts, Eric Krueger, Charles Wingard, Harrison Watson, Mullen Taylor, Heather Nix
Clemson: Jeff Allen

1. Saluda SWAM Model Update

- a. UIF Revisions – Complete
 - John Boyer indicated that revisions to the Saluda UIF dataset have been completed and that CDM Smith will be posting the updated workbooks, graphs and the technical memorandum to the SFT site later this week.
- b. Draft Calibration Results
 - John Boyer provided an overview of the draft (graphical) calibration results which were distributed prior to the meeting. The results were noted as preliminary, given that CDM Smith is still performing an internal review of both the monthly and daily calibration model.
 - It was noted that the calibration is more of a *verification* – we are attempting to verify that the model represents water availability in the basin with sufficient accuracy; that ungagged flow estimates are reasonable; that flows are being combined correctly; and that basin operations (e.g., reservoir operations and discharges) are appropriately captured.
 - The comparison of measured vs. modeled flow below the Saluda Dam on Lake Murray was briefly discussed. It was noted that the model is not attempting to mimic the variations in historical operations which occurred over the calibration period (1983-2013). For example, the calibration model does not attempt to

reproduce the lowering and raising of lake levels that was performed to facilitate dam repairs, or for other reasons.

- Scott Harder questioned whether the proposed operating rules associated with the pending FERC license were included, or whether the historical and current rules were included. John Boyer indicated that the existing operating rules were included, but he will need to confirm with Tim Cox. It was unclear what minimum release was assumed, and if that assumption was the reason for the difference in measured vs. modeled flows at the low flow range.

c. Update on Application (Cloud) Hosting

- John Boyer indicated that CDM Smith is receiving a price quote for hosting the SWAM models. Bill Clendenin noted that depending on the price, the work may need to be bid out, following SC procurement rules. CDM Smith will pass along the quote, when received, and will work with DNR and DHEC to determine the next steps.

2. Draft Pee Dee Basin Framework

a. Approach to Intercoastal Waterway (IW) and Tidally Influenced Portions

- John Boyer noted that DNR has provided comments on the Draft Pee Dee Framework. The comments requiring input and/or confirmation from DHEC have already been addressed by DHEC staff. CDM Smith is in the process of addressing the other comments, and updating the Draft Framework.

- The options to include tidally influenced portions in the SWAM model were discussed. John Boyer noted that previous studies (e.g., USGS Scientific Investigations Report 2007-5110) have demonstrated that a large portion of flow from the Waccamaw River flows north through the IW; however, the percentage of flow has not been quantified. Flow from the Great Pee Dee River, depending on tidal conditions, also is expected to contribute to the IW.

- John Boyer suggested that it may be worthwhile to include the IW and tidal portions of the Great Pee Dee, Sampit, Waccamaw, and Black rivers in the model framework *if only* to represent the many permitted withdrawal locations and amounts. It will not be possible for SWAM to perform any calculations (with confidence) in the tidally influenced portions because of the uncertainty of flow.

- Scott Harder suggested that CDM Smith consider including the IW as a separate model, with the thought that it would not be “validated” and have limited use. John Boyer suggested a similar approach might be taken with the Sampit River, since it does not connect to the Great Pee Dee River or other portions of the river network in the Pee Dee Basin; it does not have users which discharge to outside of the Sampit sub-basin; and could exist as a standalone model. This helps simplify the main Pee Dee Basin SWAM model.

- It was suggested that the SWAM model output (flows) up to the point where tidal influences begin, may be used as input to other (coastal) models.
- Harrison Watson questioned the withdrawal and discharges in the Florence area, and indicated he would follow-up with John Boyer after the call.

3. Data Collection and Analysis

- a. Broad, Pee Dee and Catawba – Substantially complete
- b. Santee and Salkehatchie – in progress
 - Data collection continue to progress in the remaining basins. No significant issues were identified.

4. Upcoming Stakeholder Meetings (Week of Oct 12th)

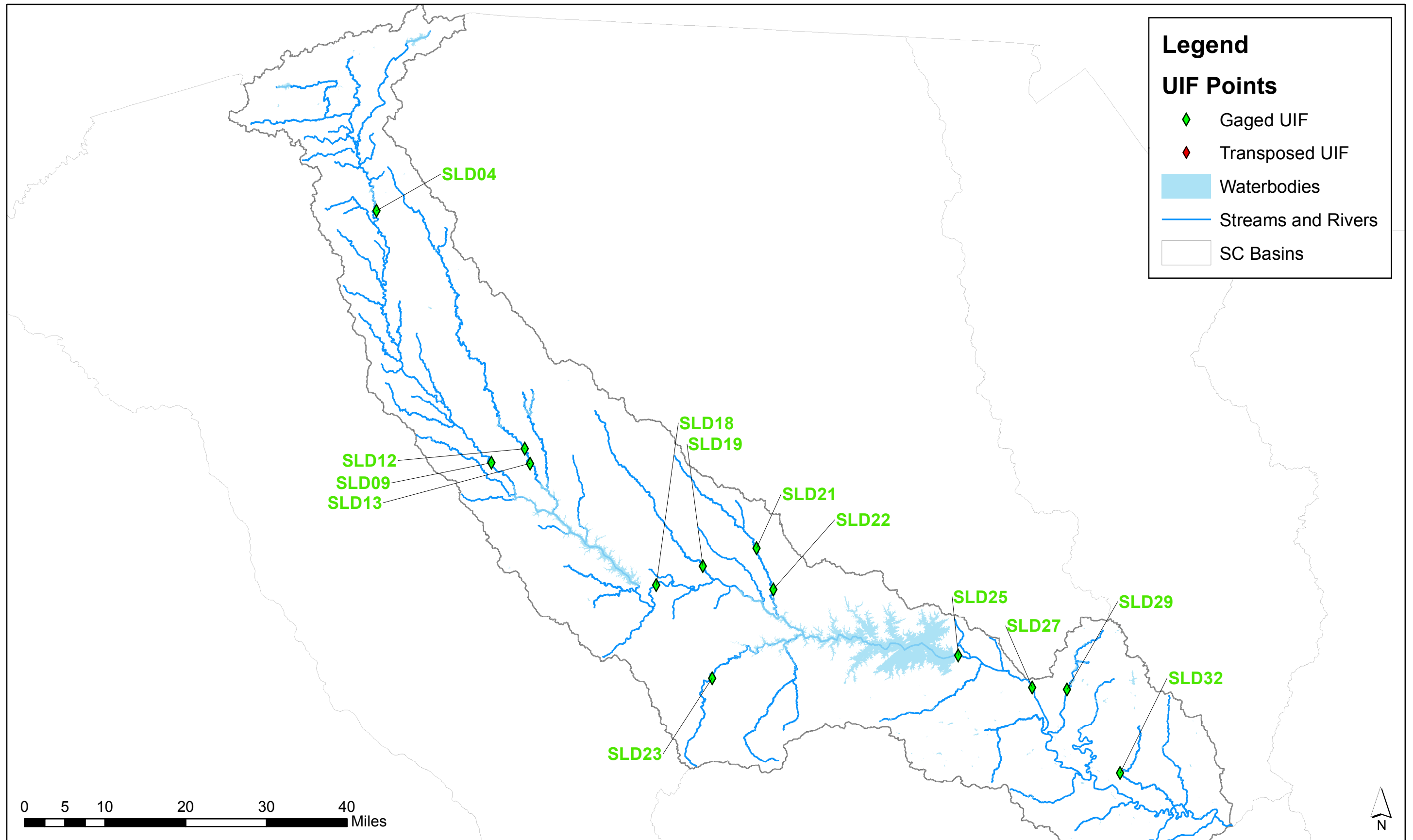
- a. 2nd Saluda Meeting
 - i. Agenda, Format, Date and Location Options
 - Jeff Allen indicated that Clemson is looking into the University Center on Pleasantburg Drive in Greenville. Clemson will look into possible dates during the week.
 - DNR, DHEC and Clemson concurred with the draft agenda circulated by John Boyer. Clemson will look into possible dates during the week, with the goal of having the meetings on consecutive days, or separated by one day.
- b. 1st Pee Dee Meeting
 - i. Date and Location Options
 - Jeff Allen indicated that Clemson is looking into venues in the Florence area.

5. Upcoming Deliverables

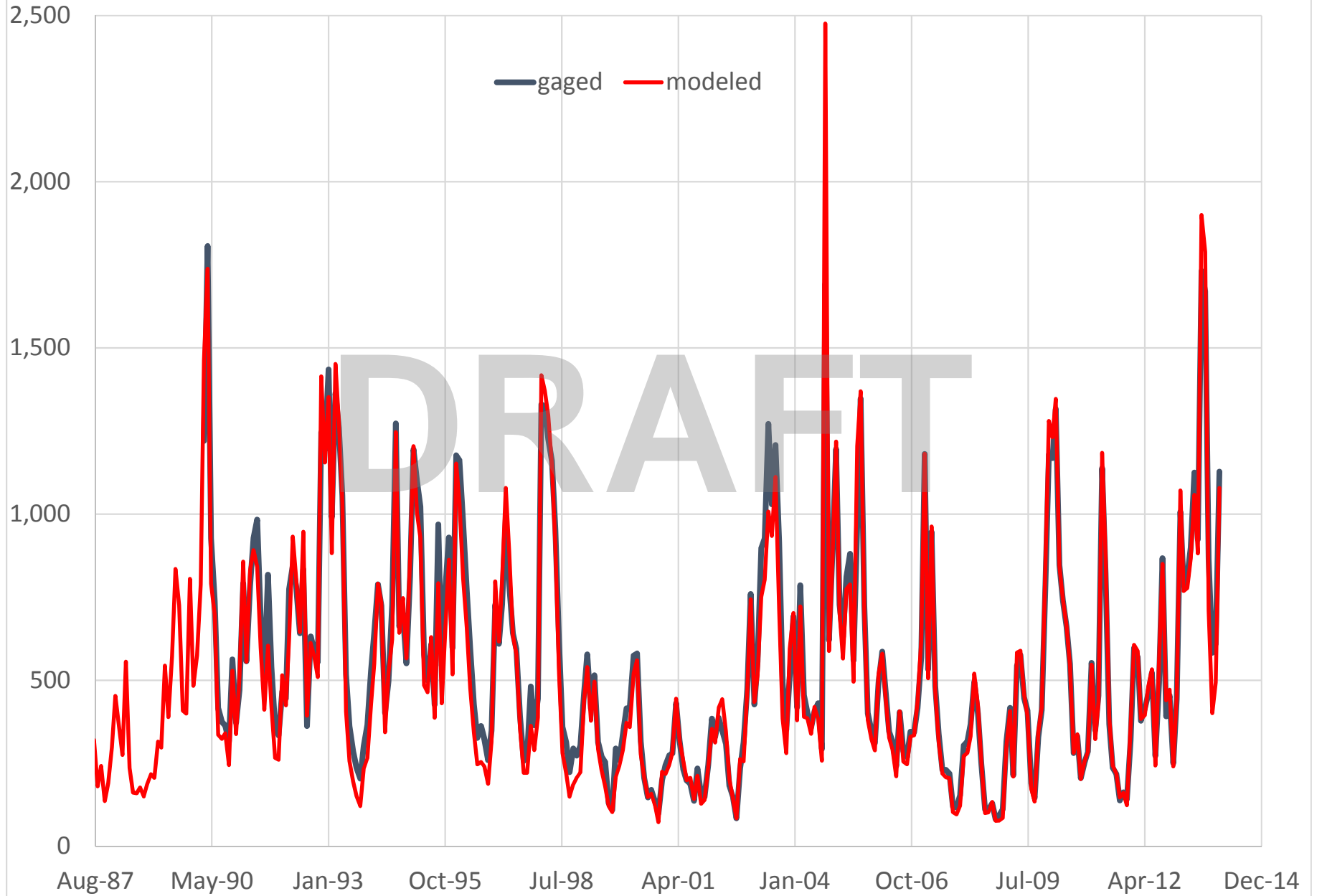
- a. Saluda UIF Dataset and Memo (revised) and Draft Model – this week
- b. Saluda Draft Modeling Report – next week
- c. Pee Dee Framework (revised) – by Sept 21
- d. Draft Edisto UIF Dataset and Memo – by Sept 30
- e. Catawba Draft Framework – by Sept 30

6. Other Items

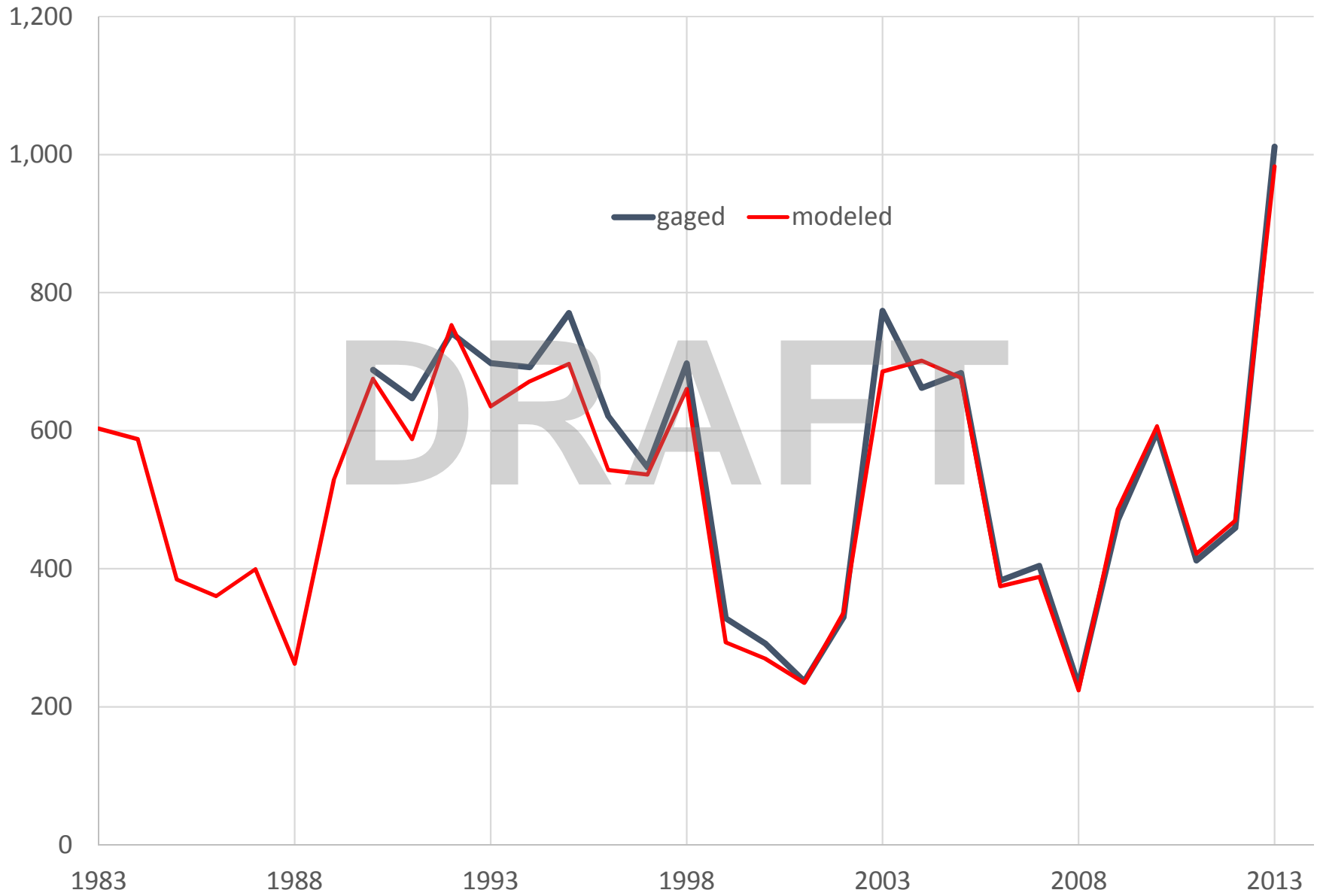
- No additional items were discussed.



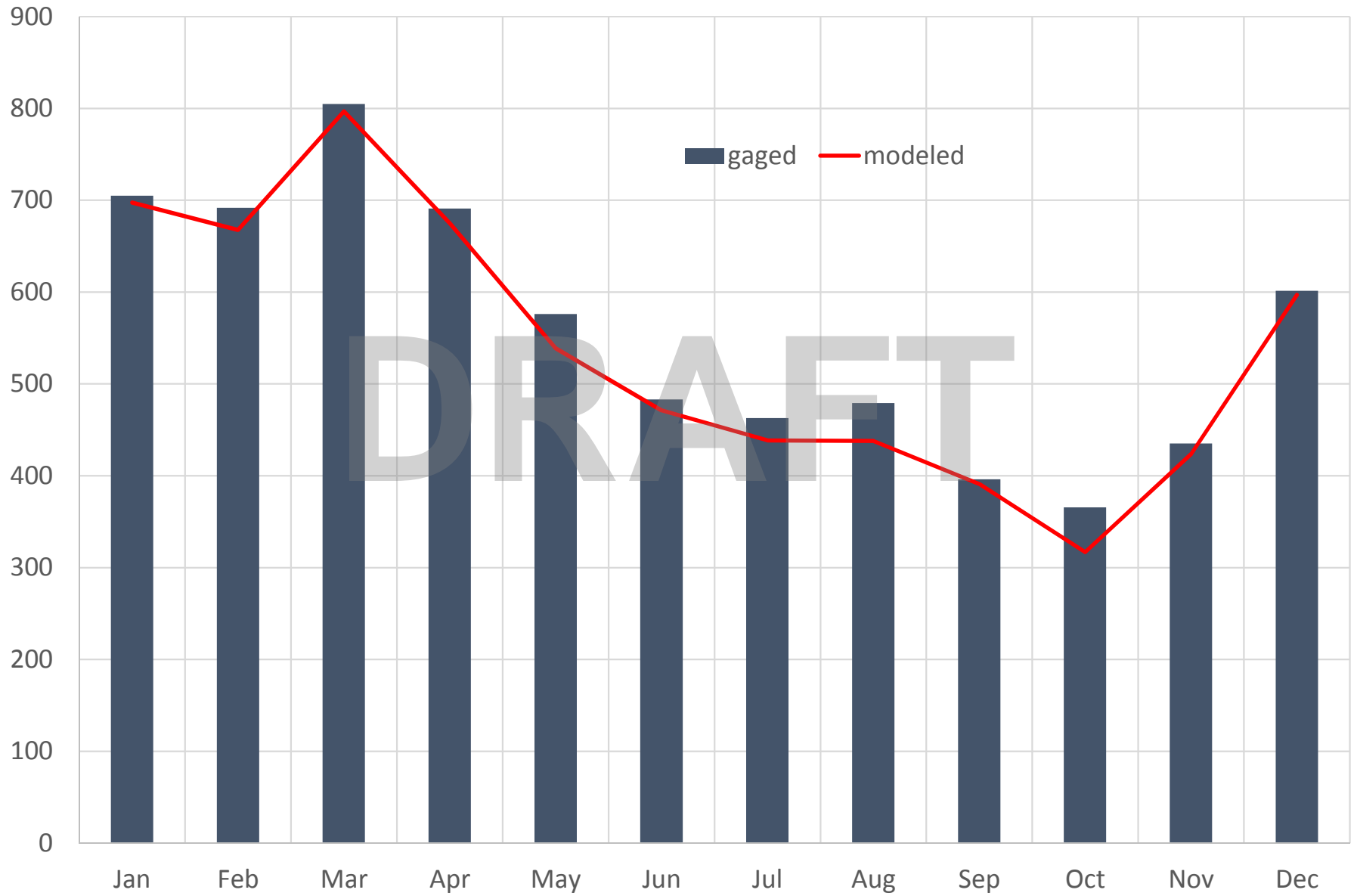
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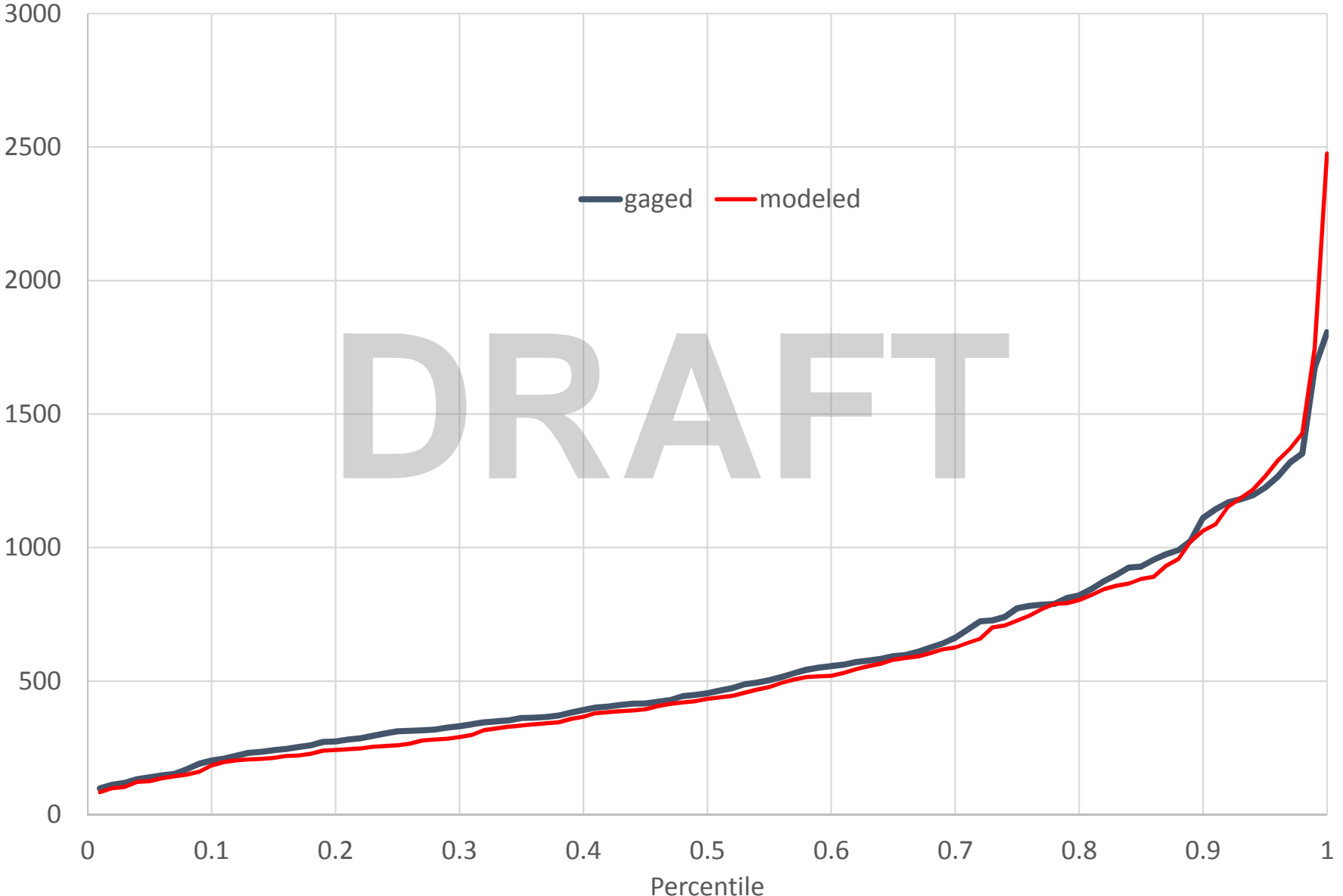
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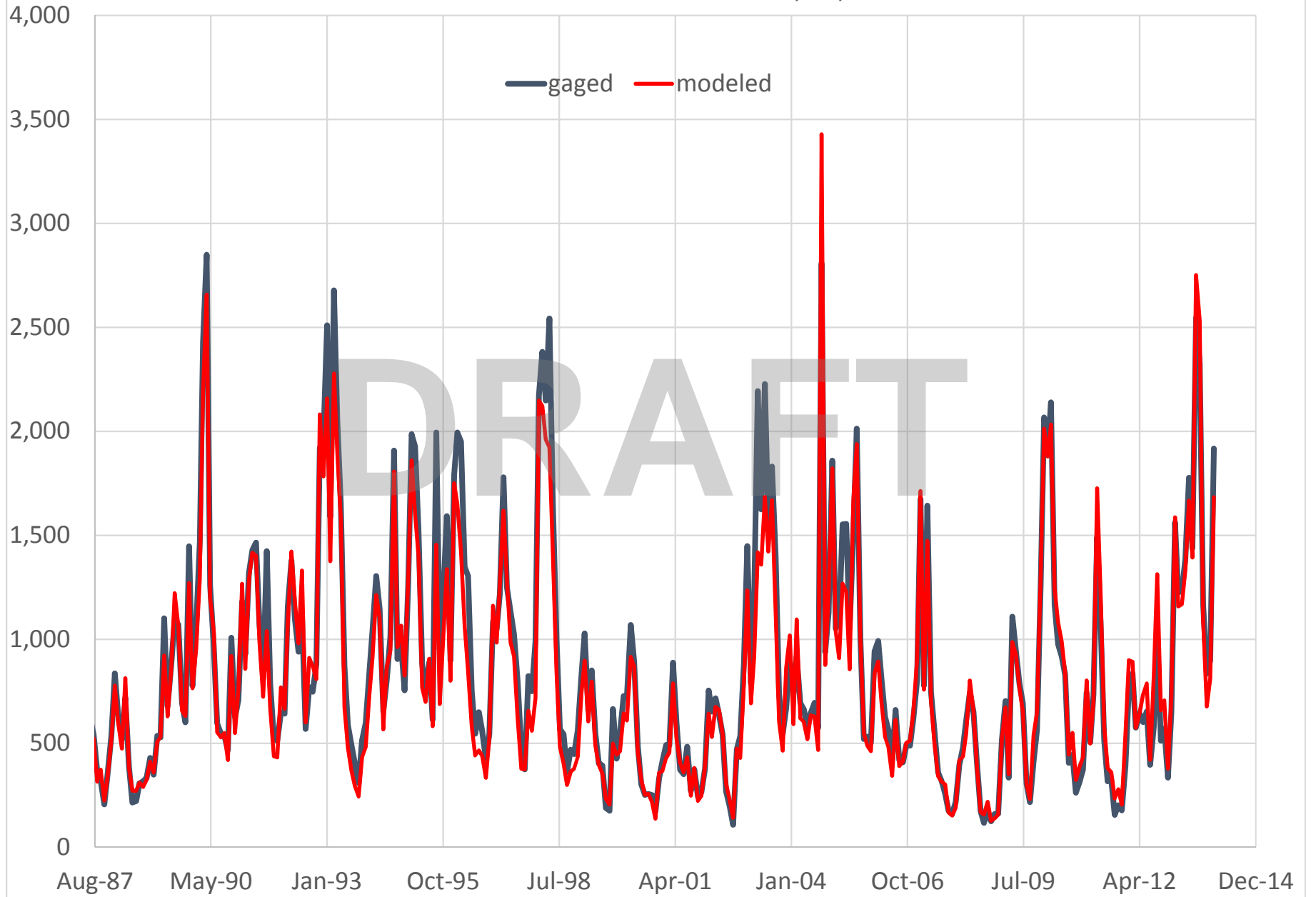
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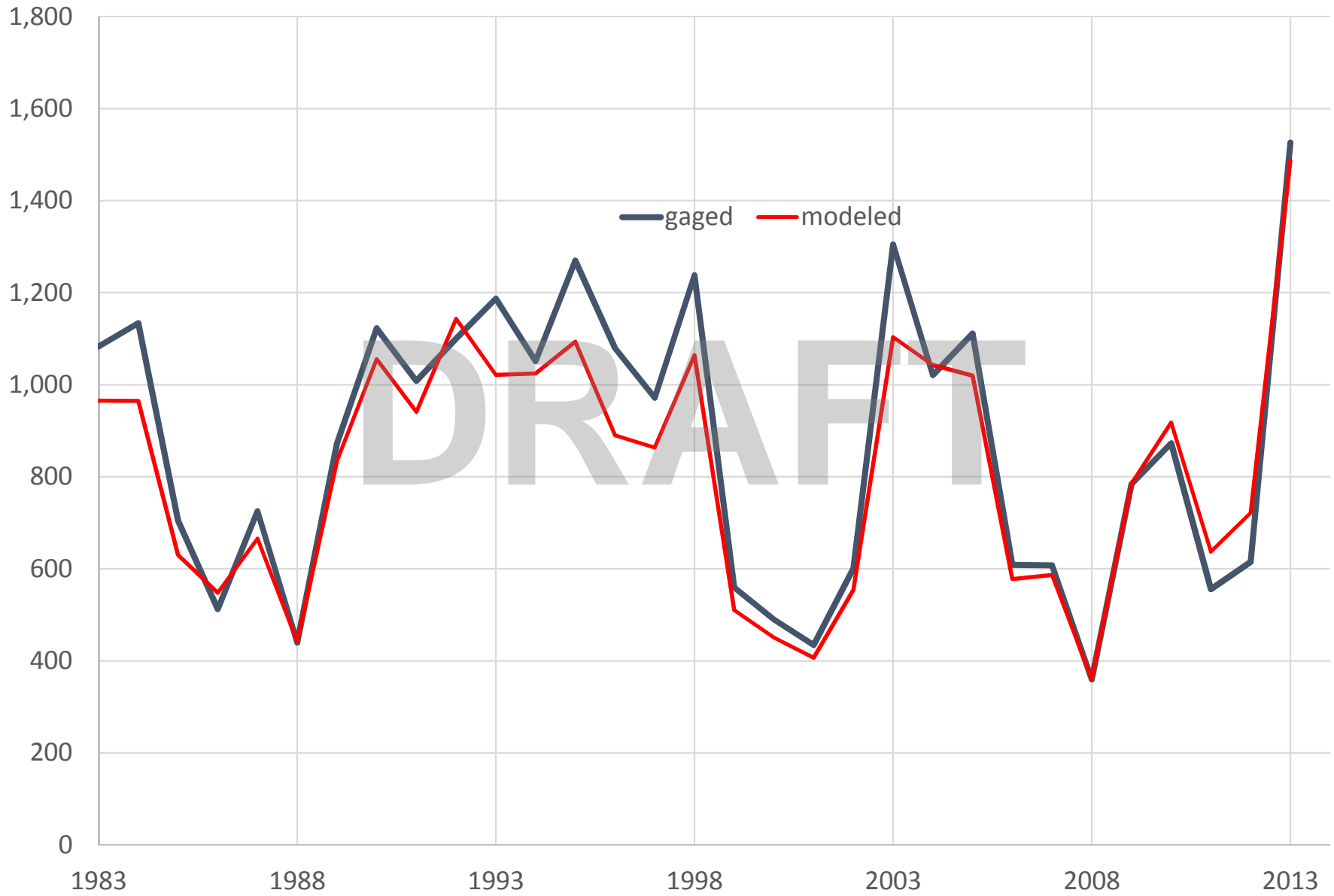
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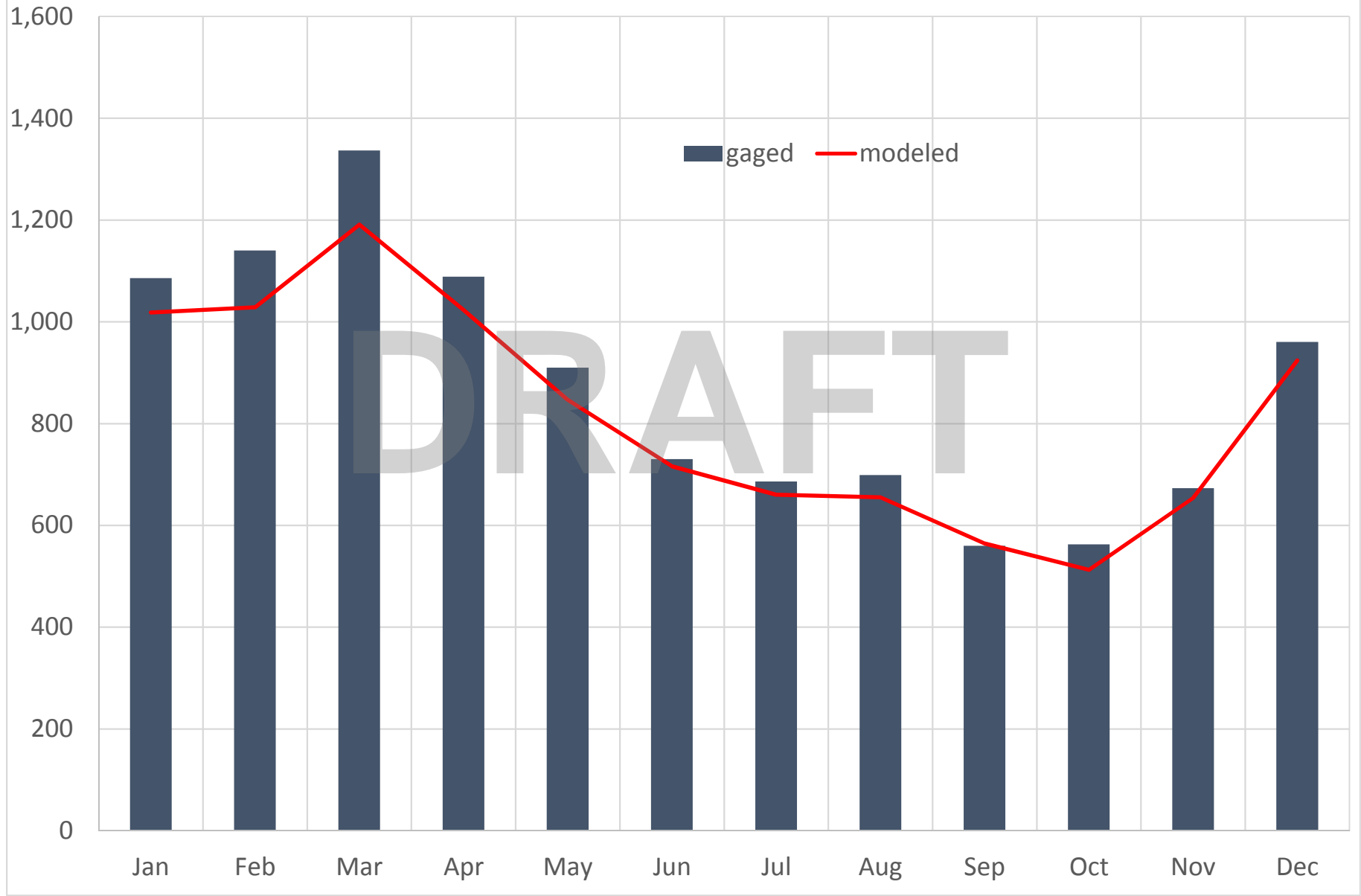
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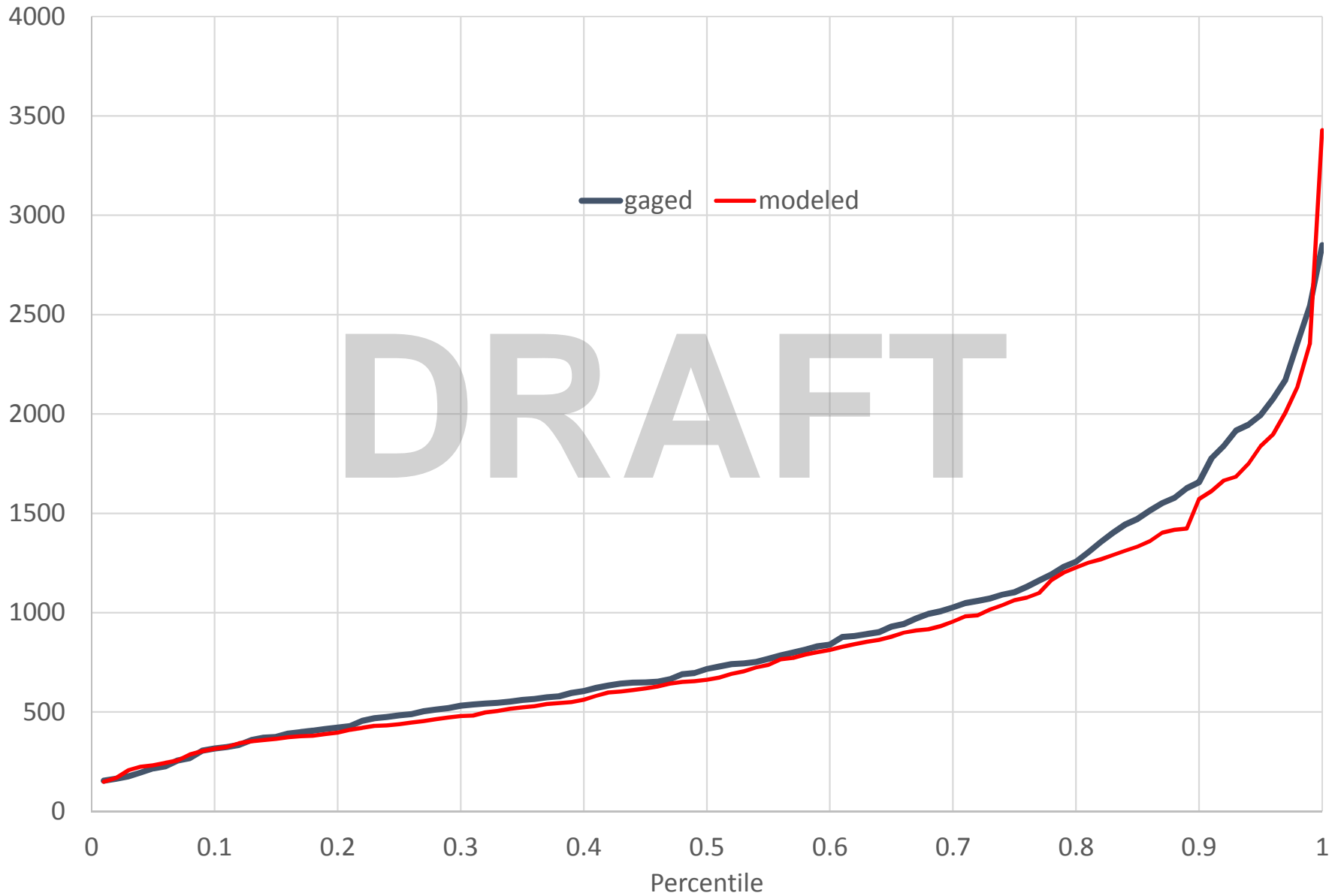
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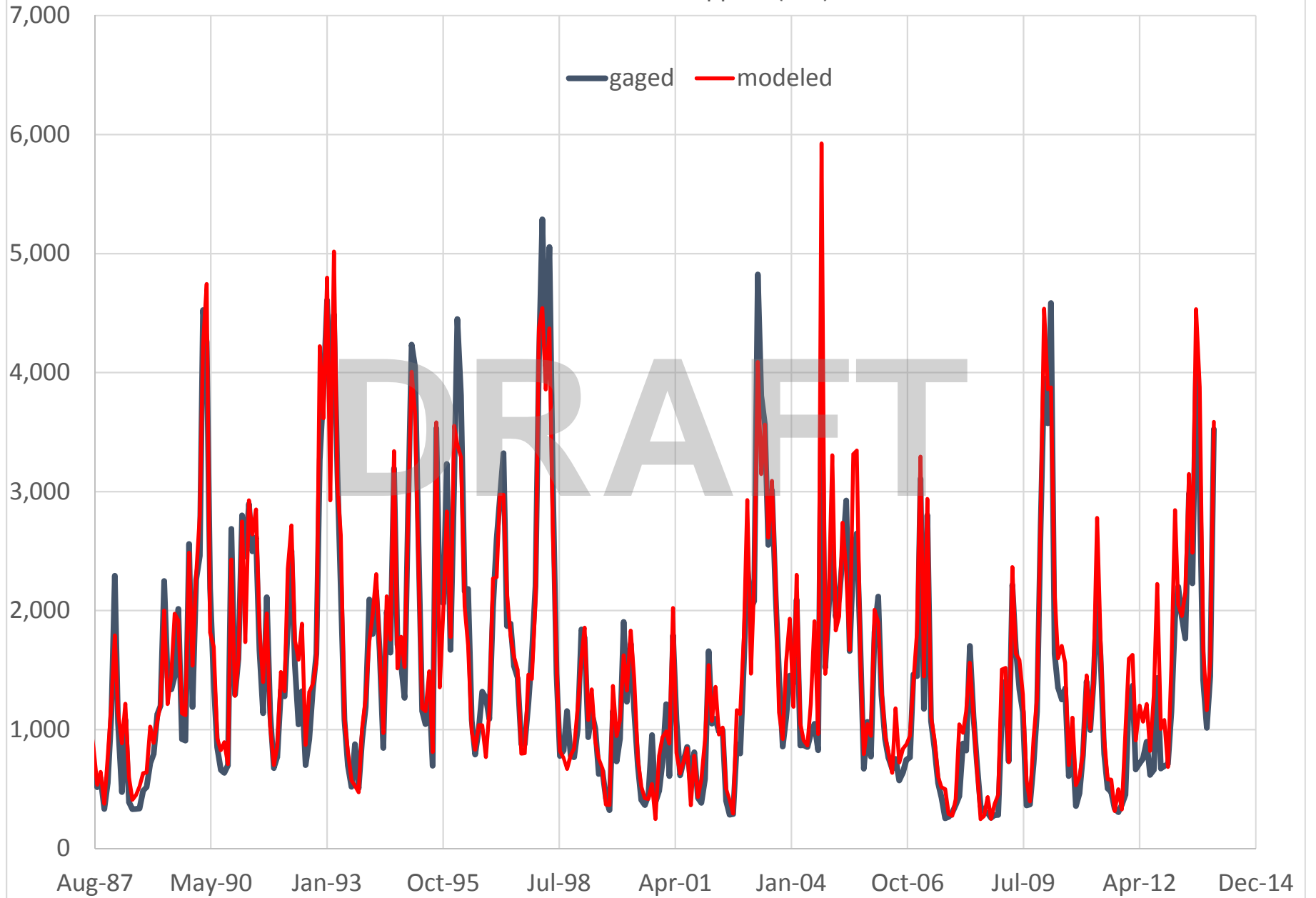
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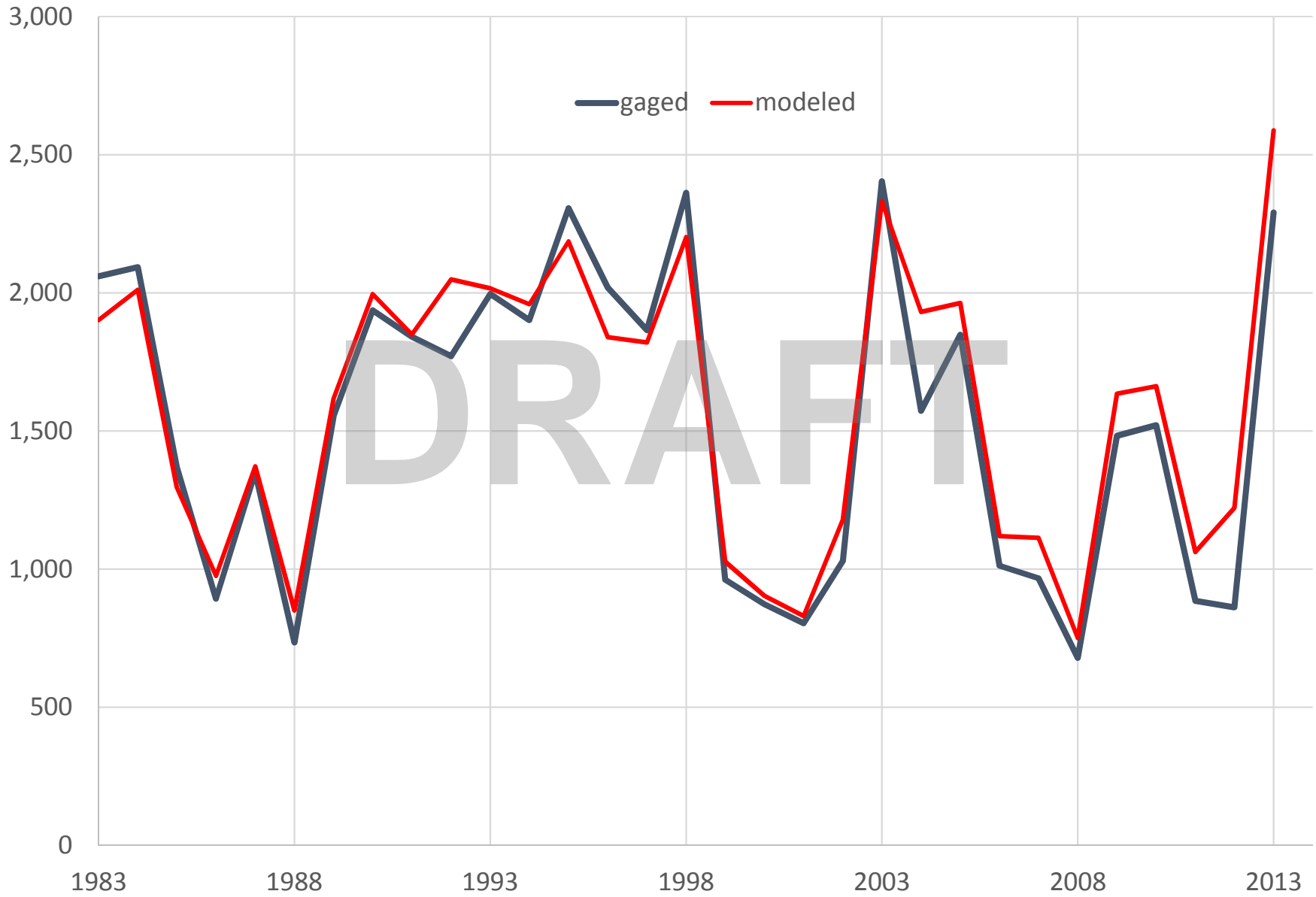
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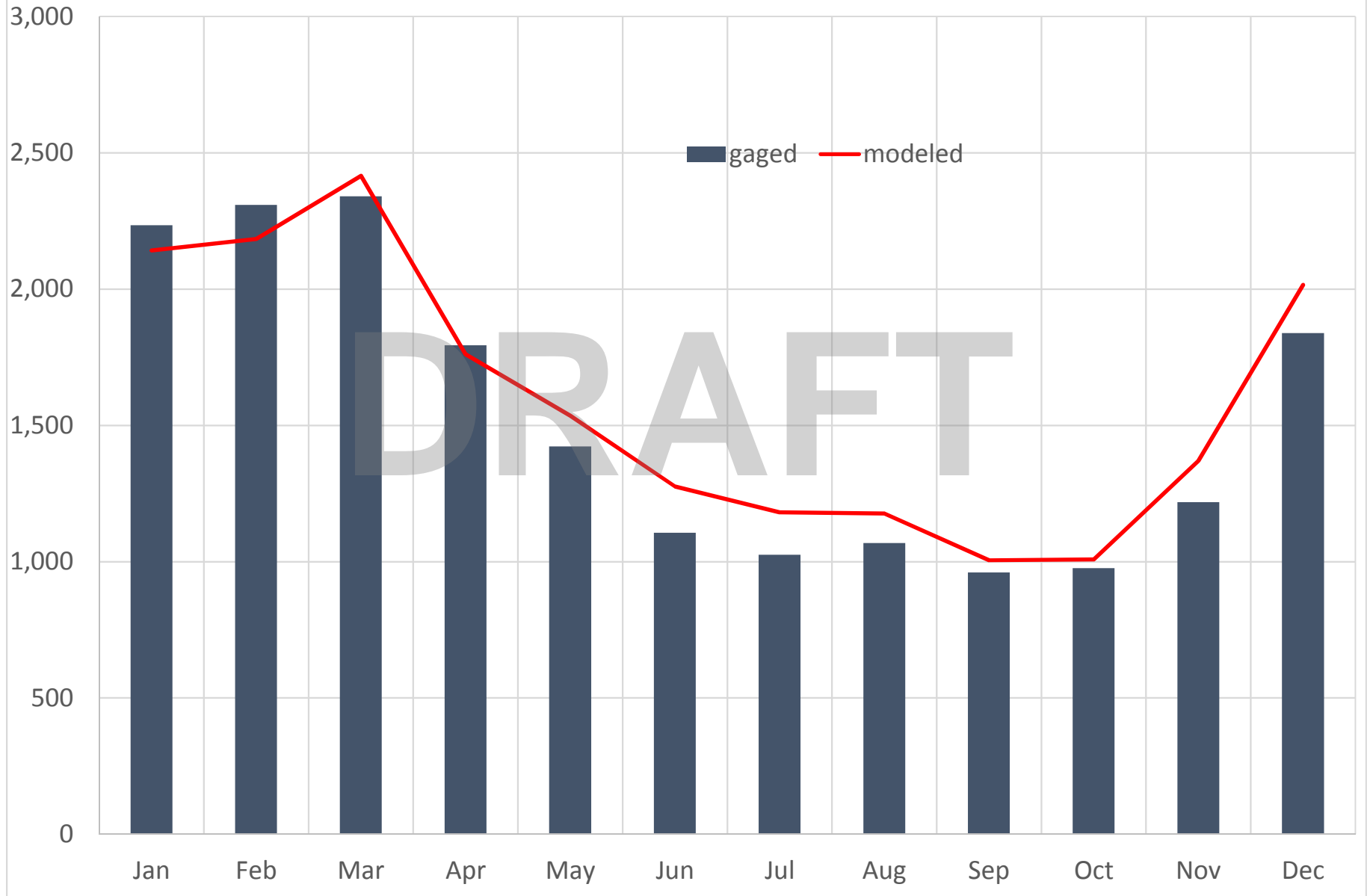
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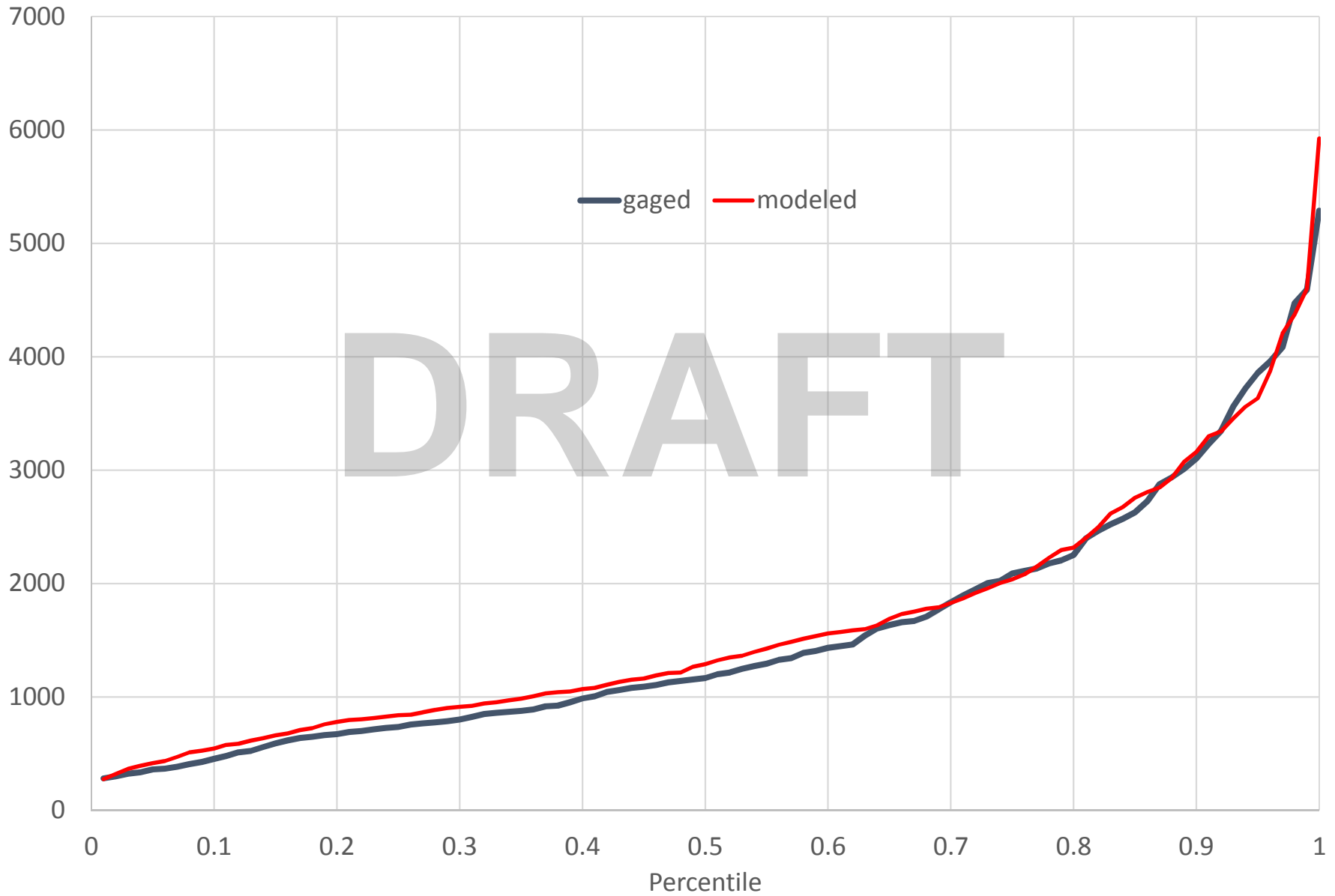
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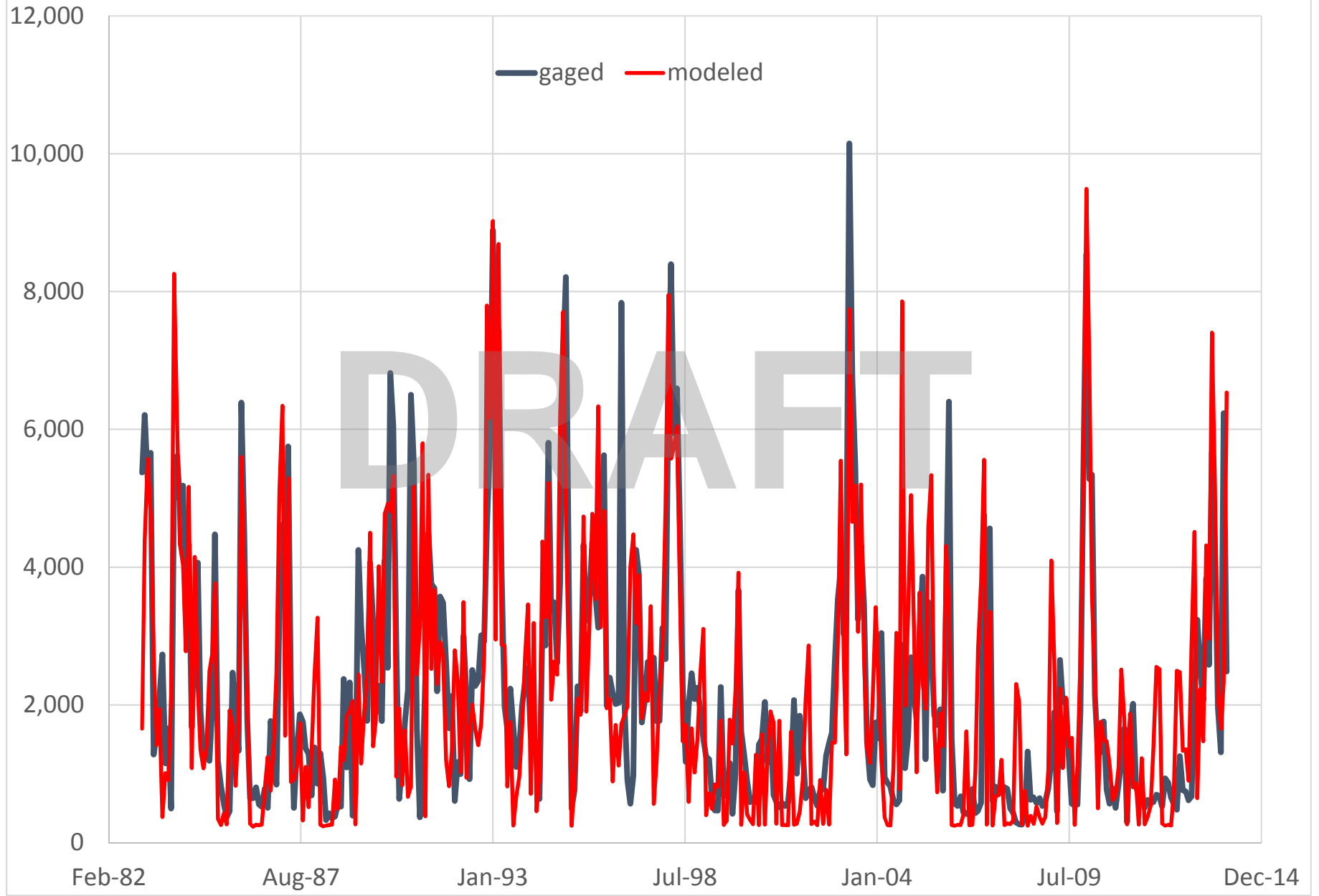
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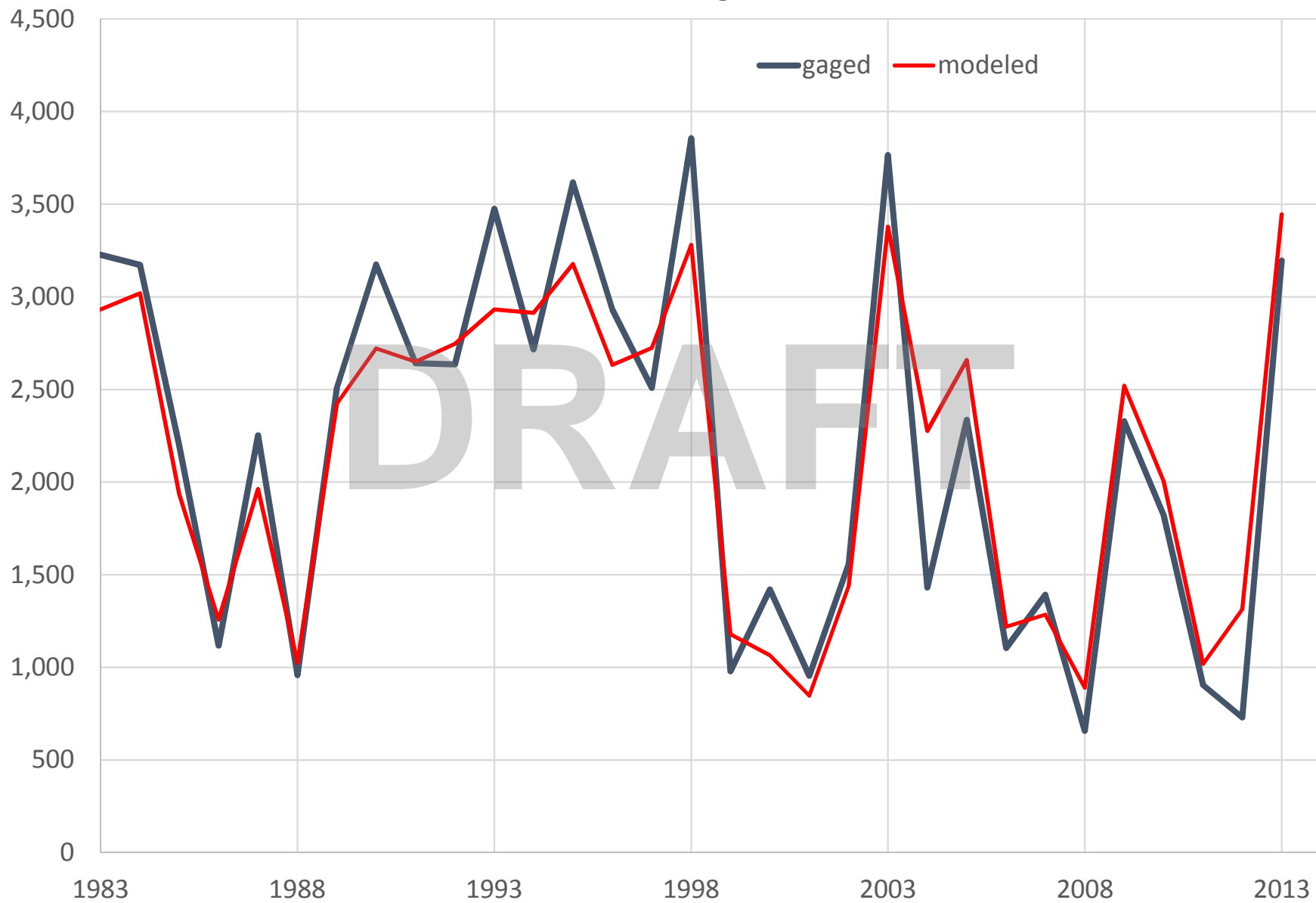
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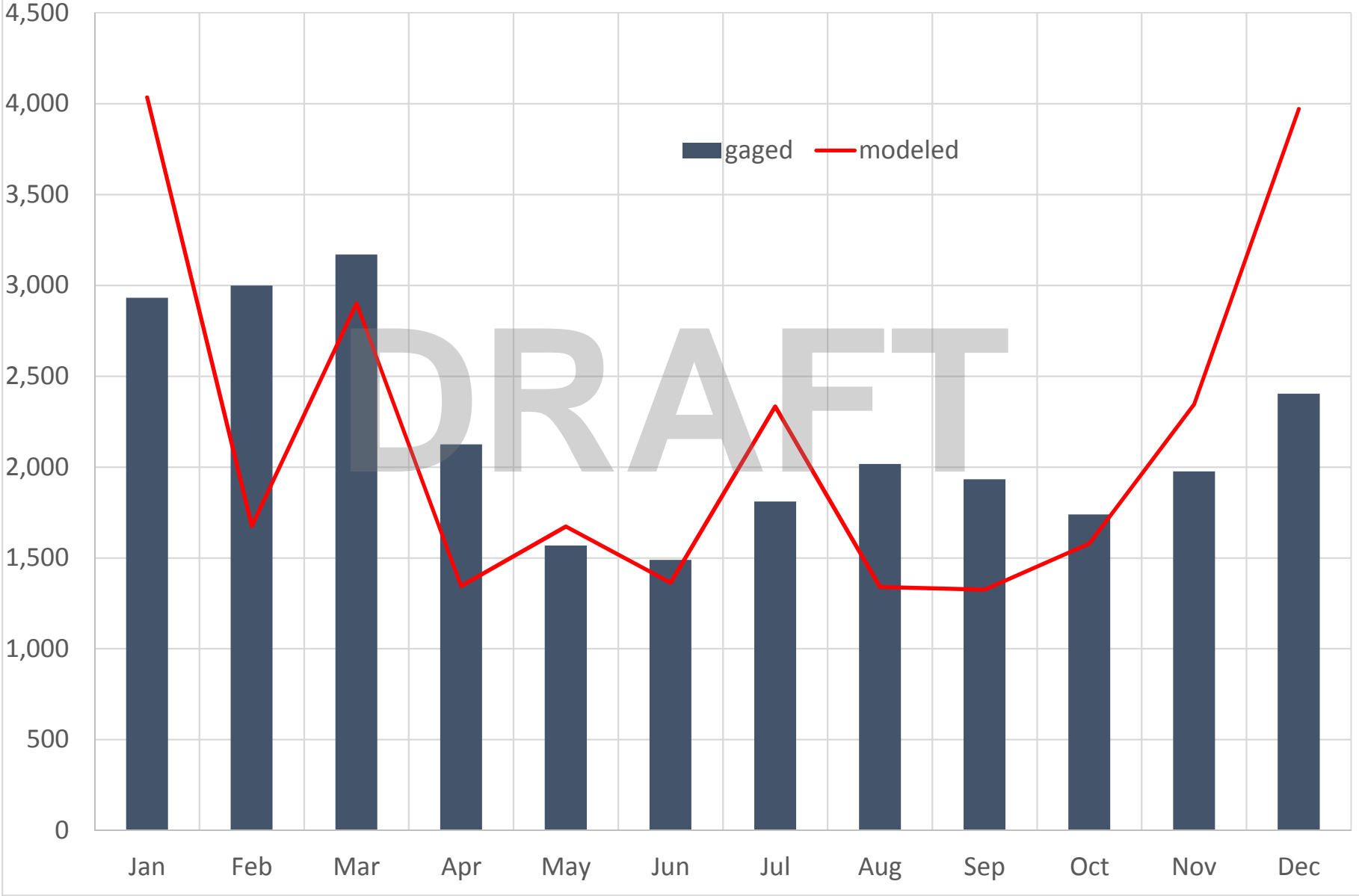
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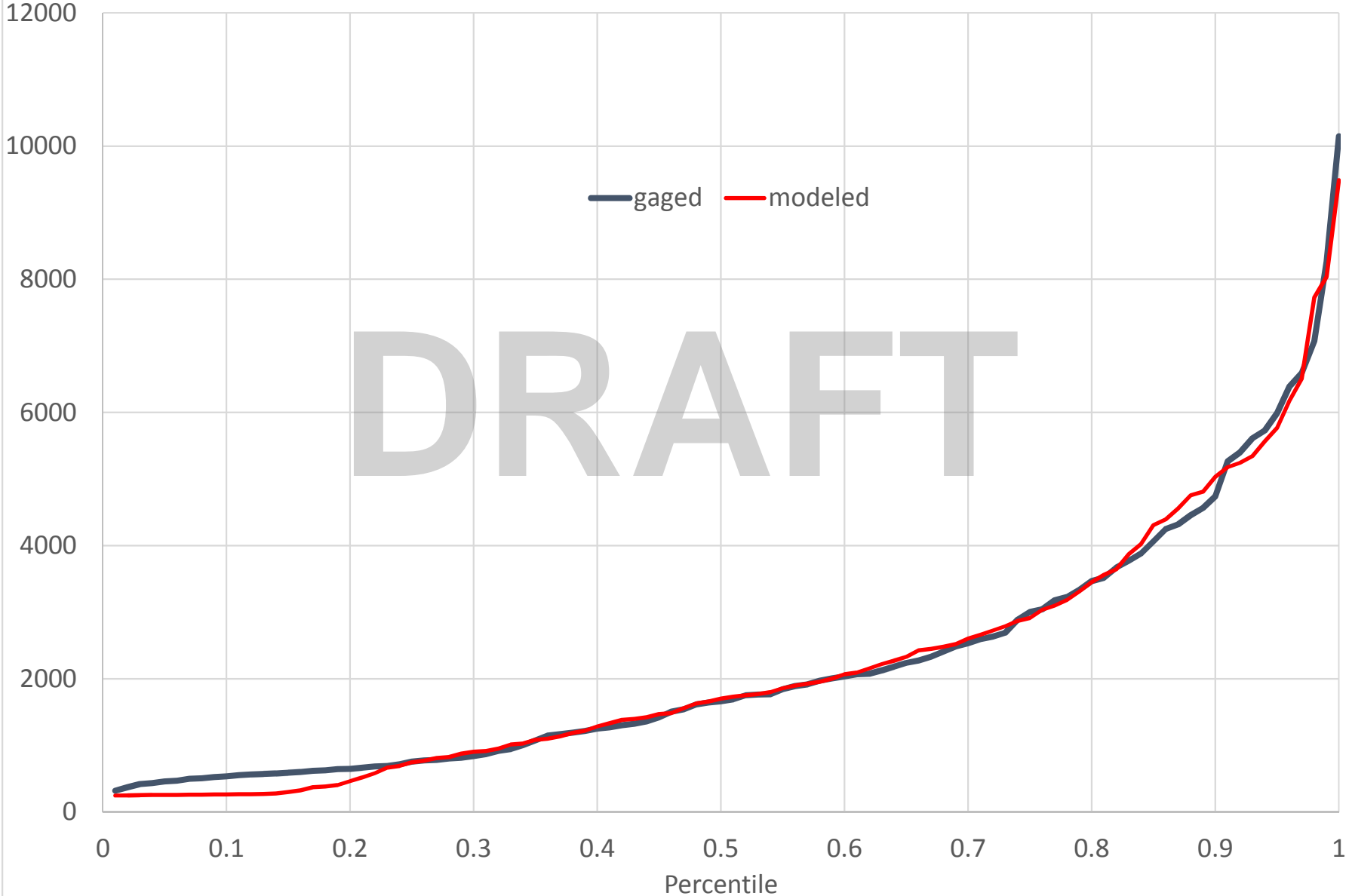
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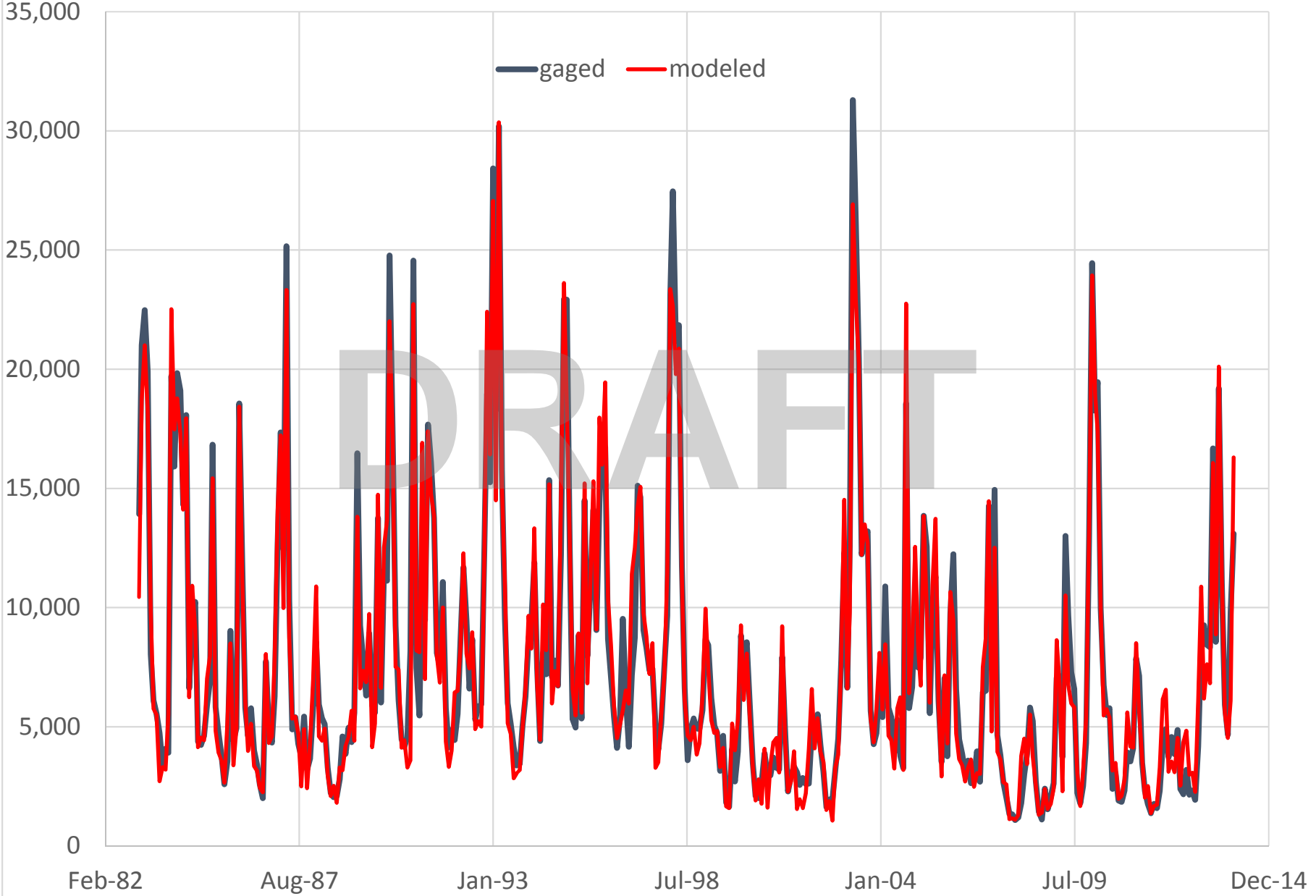
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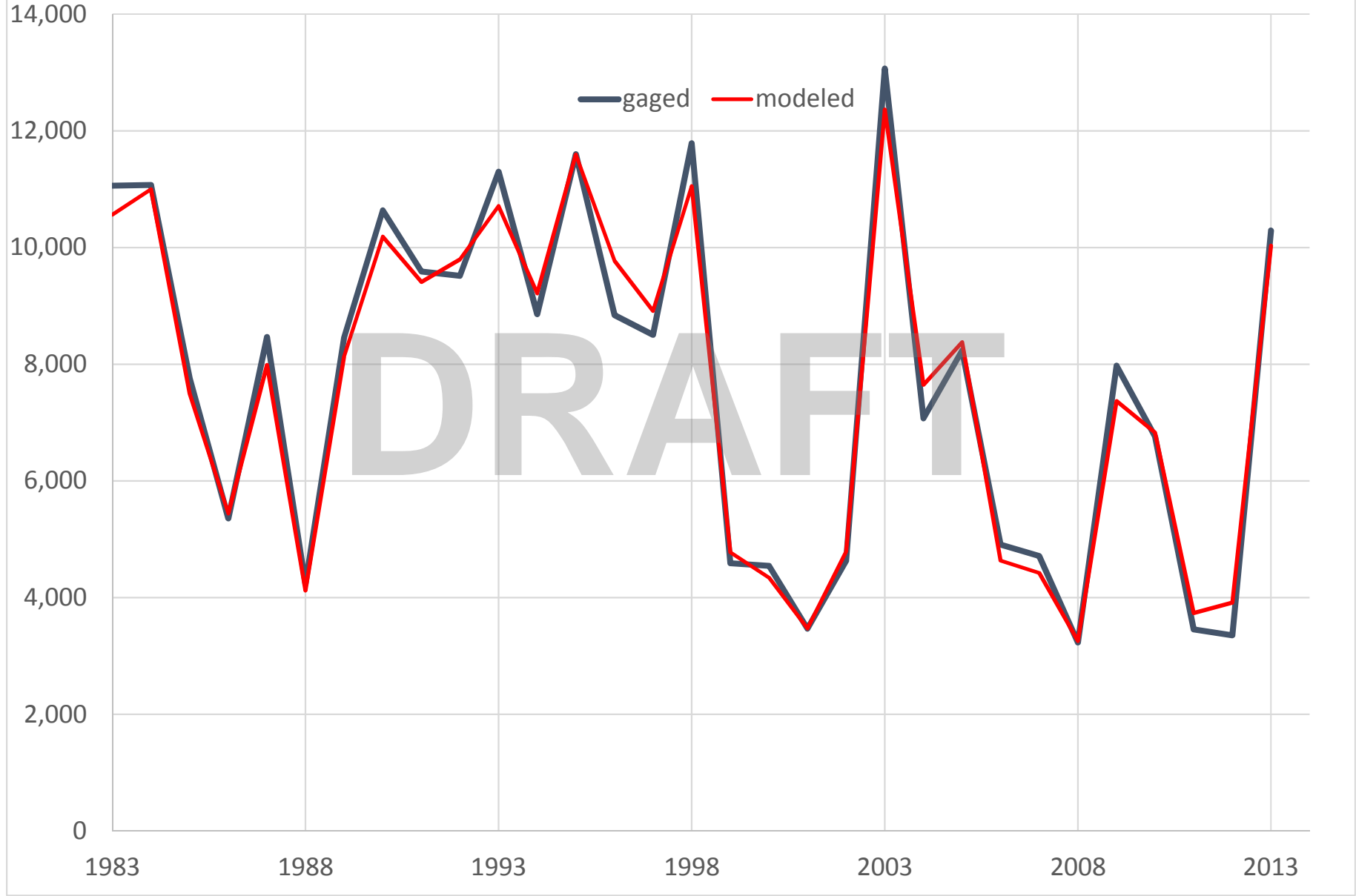
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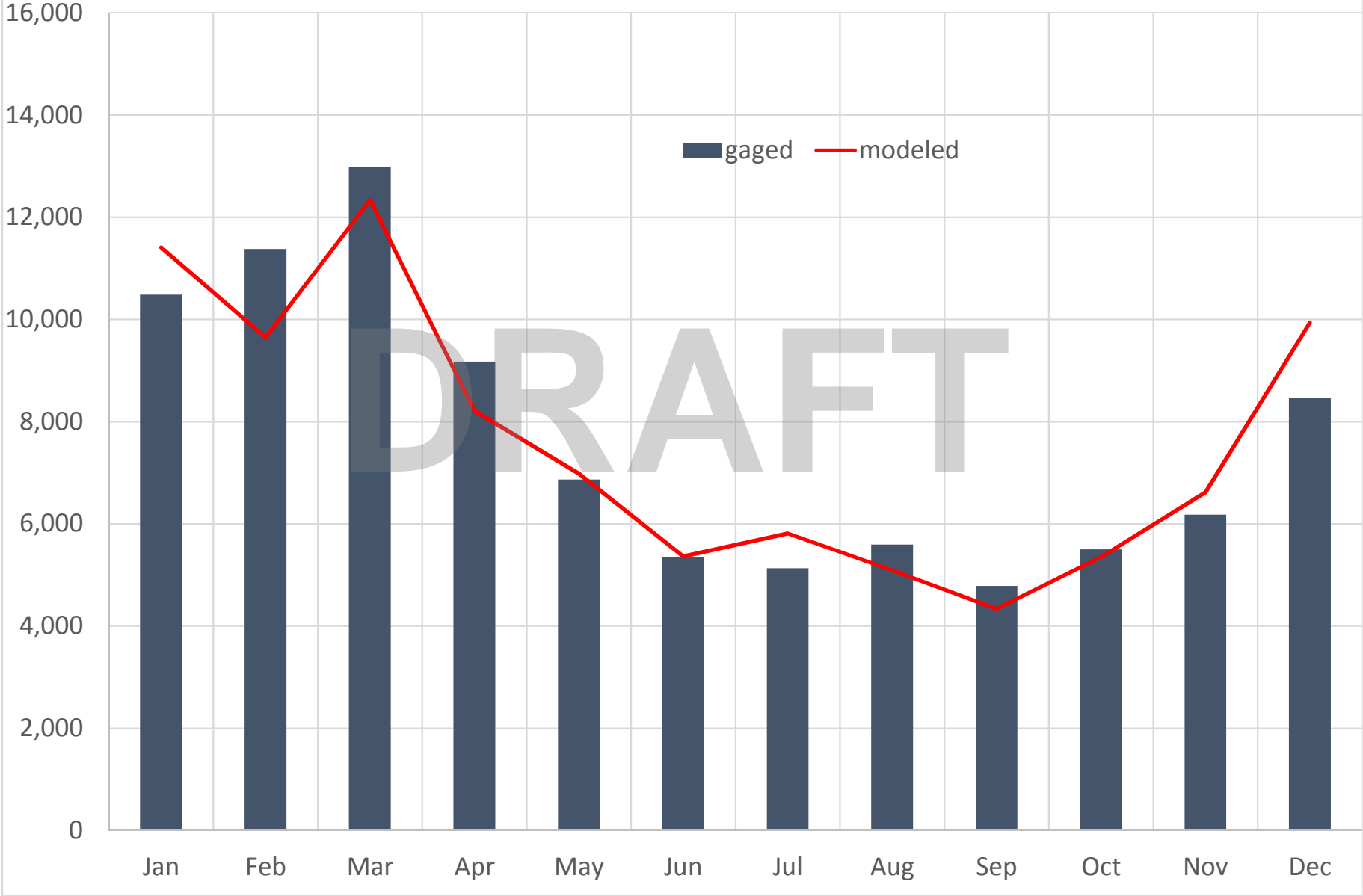
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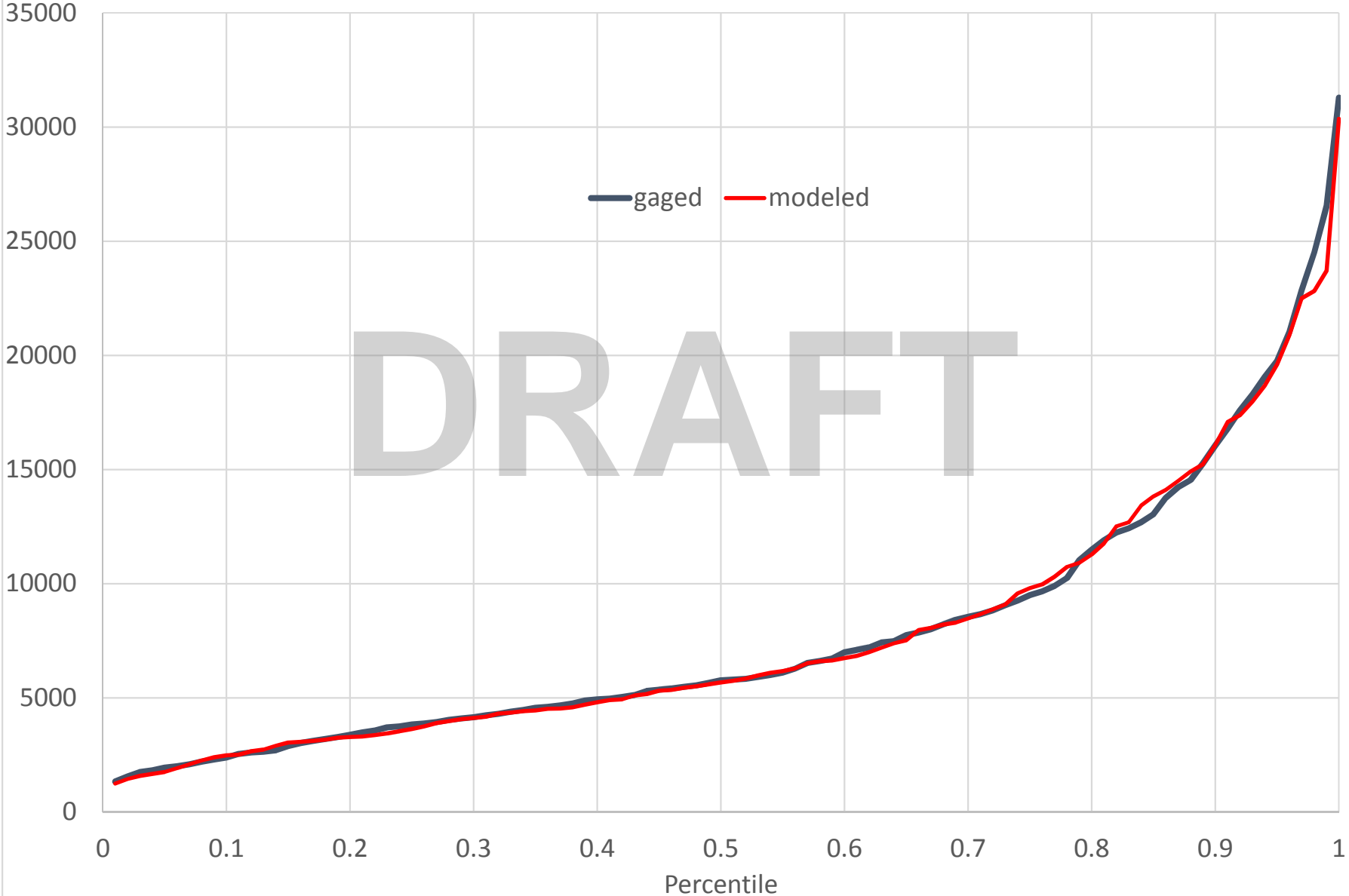
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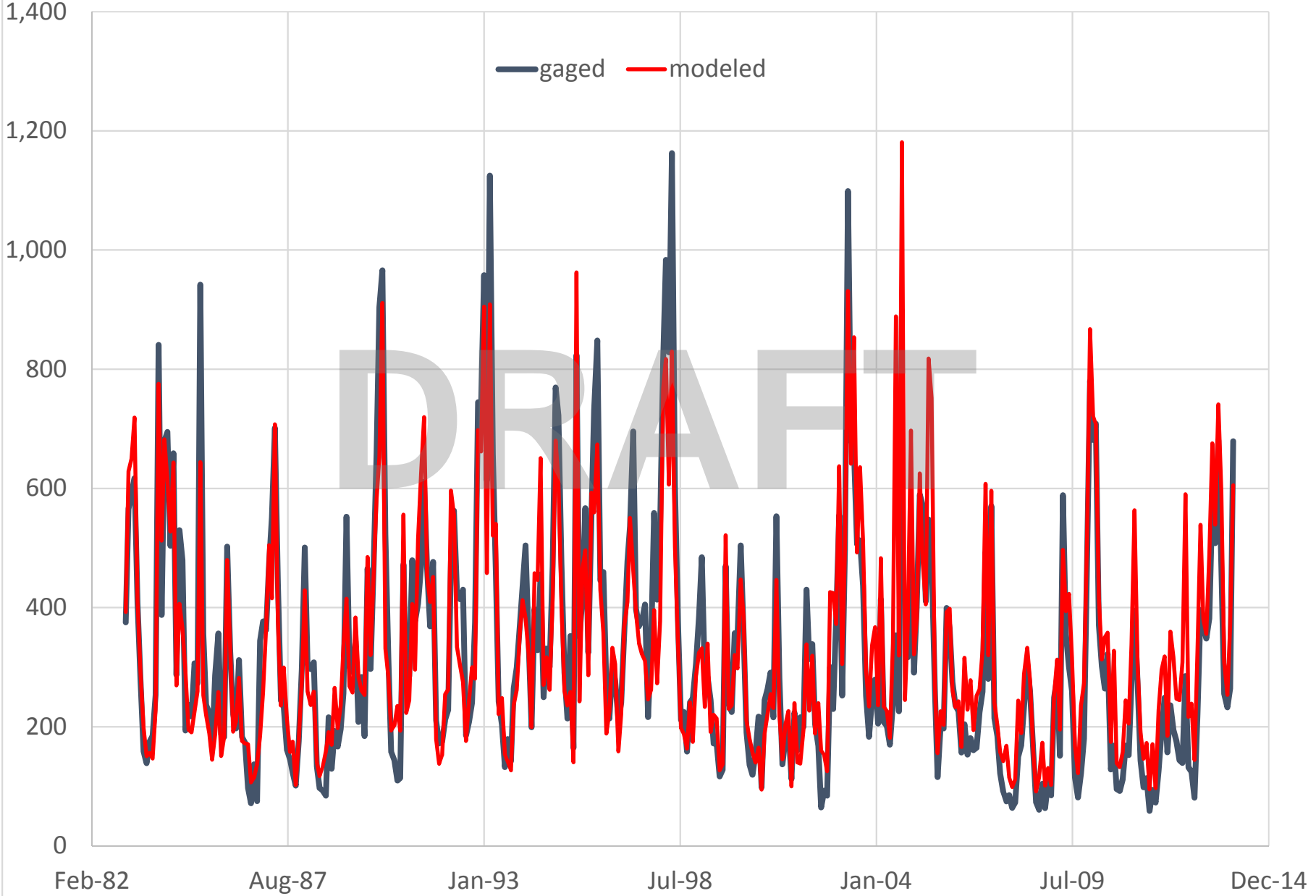
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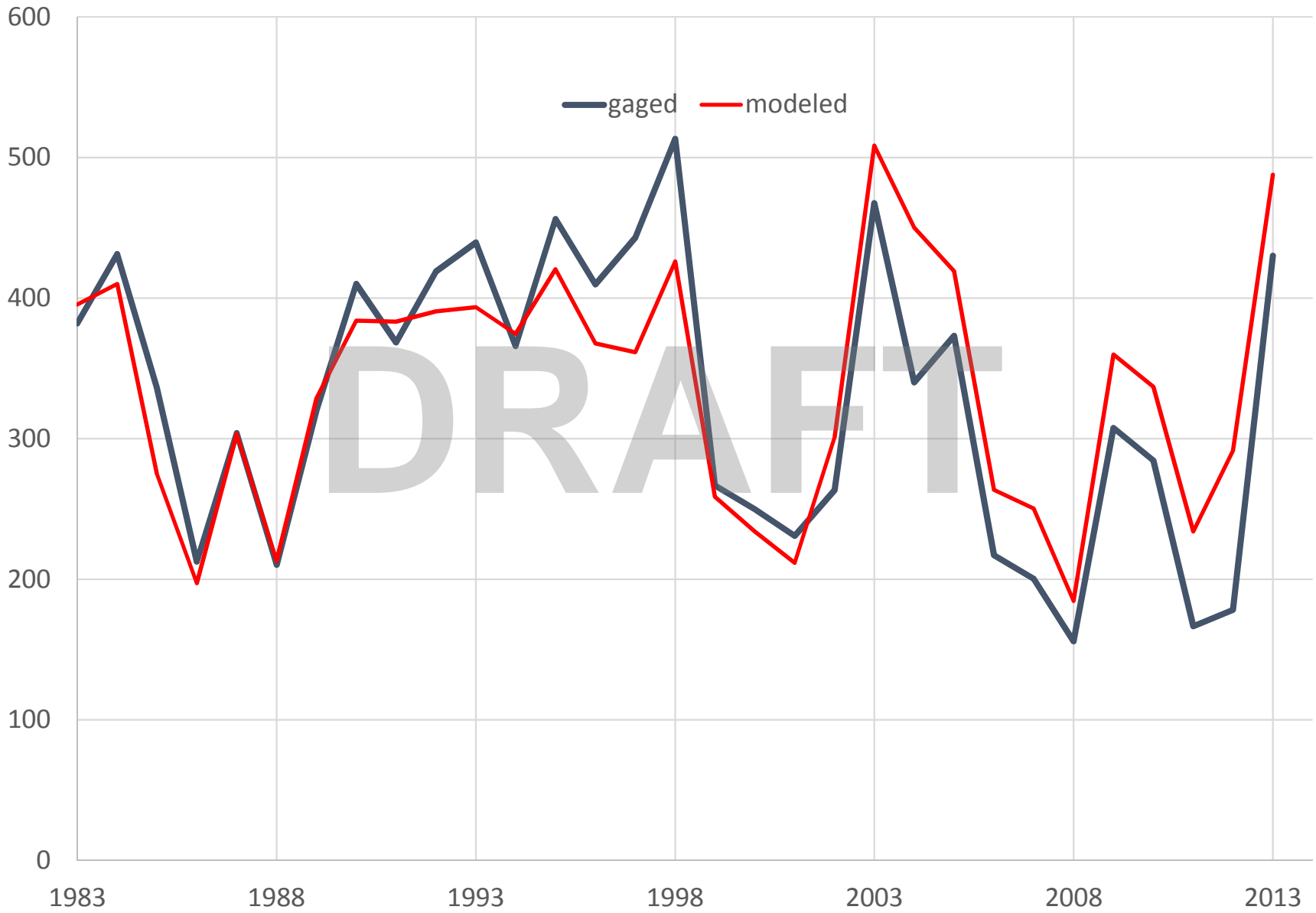
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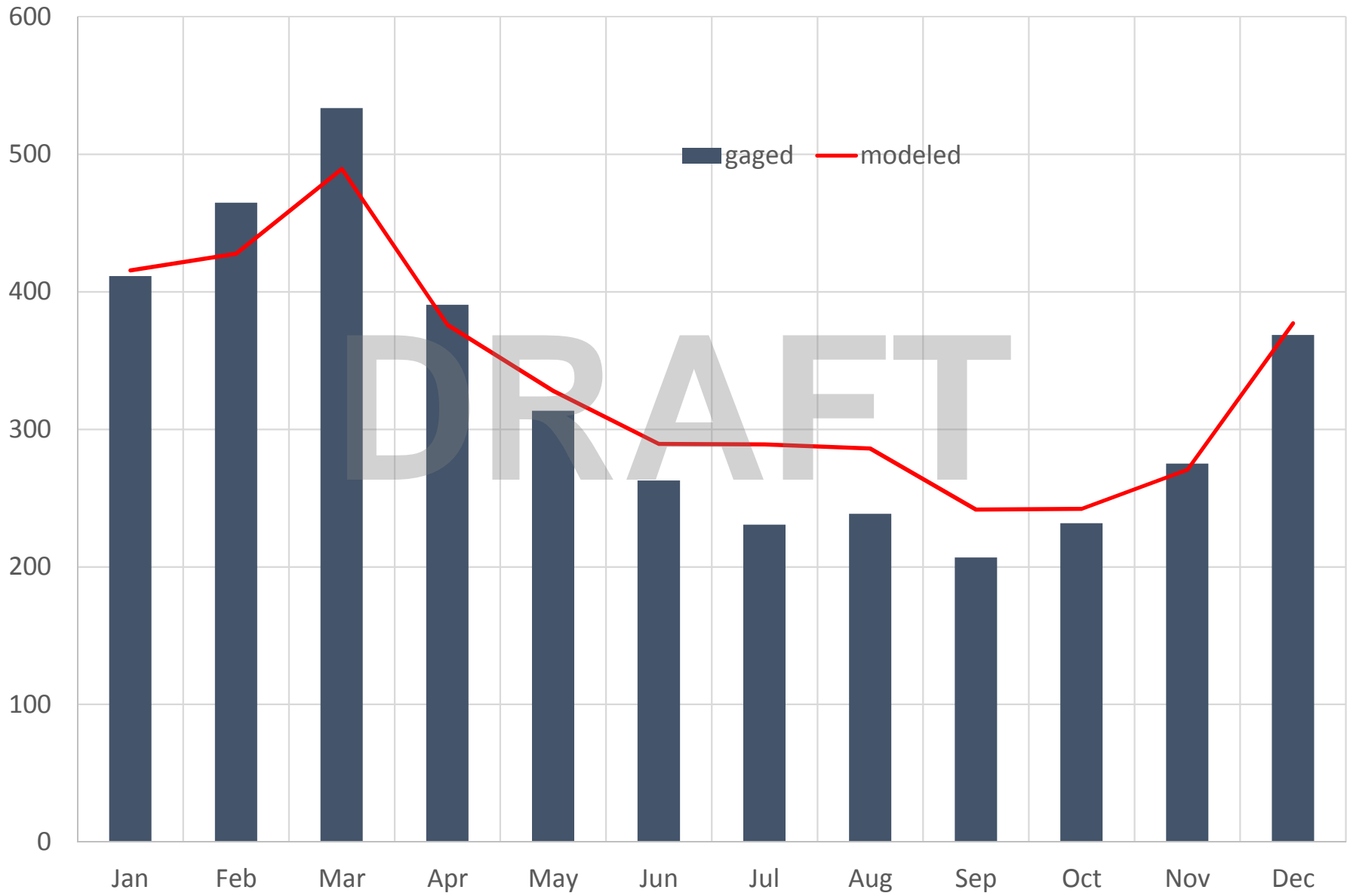
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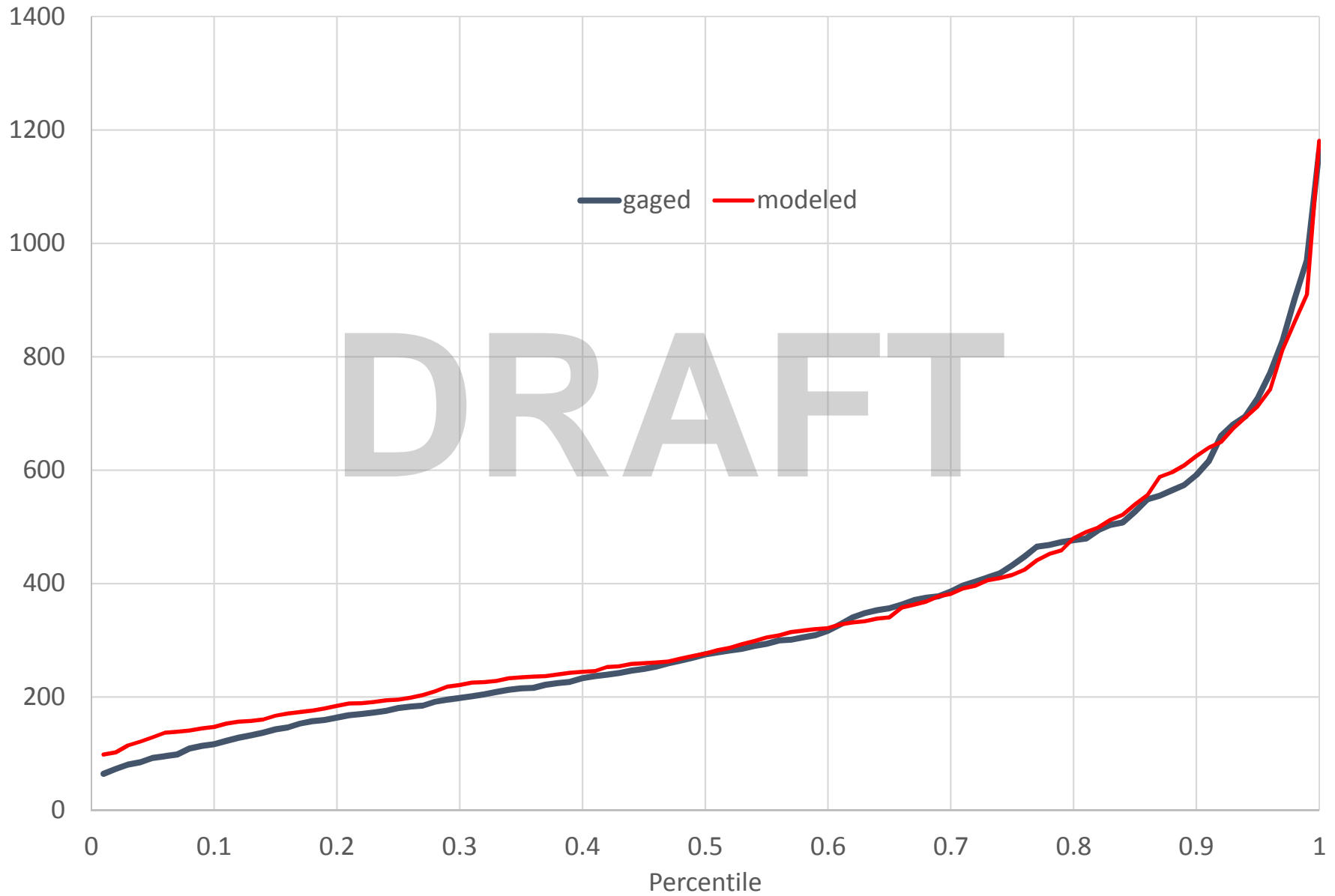
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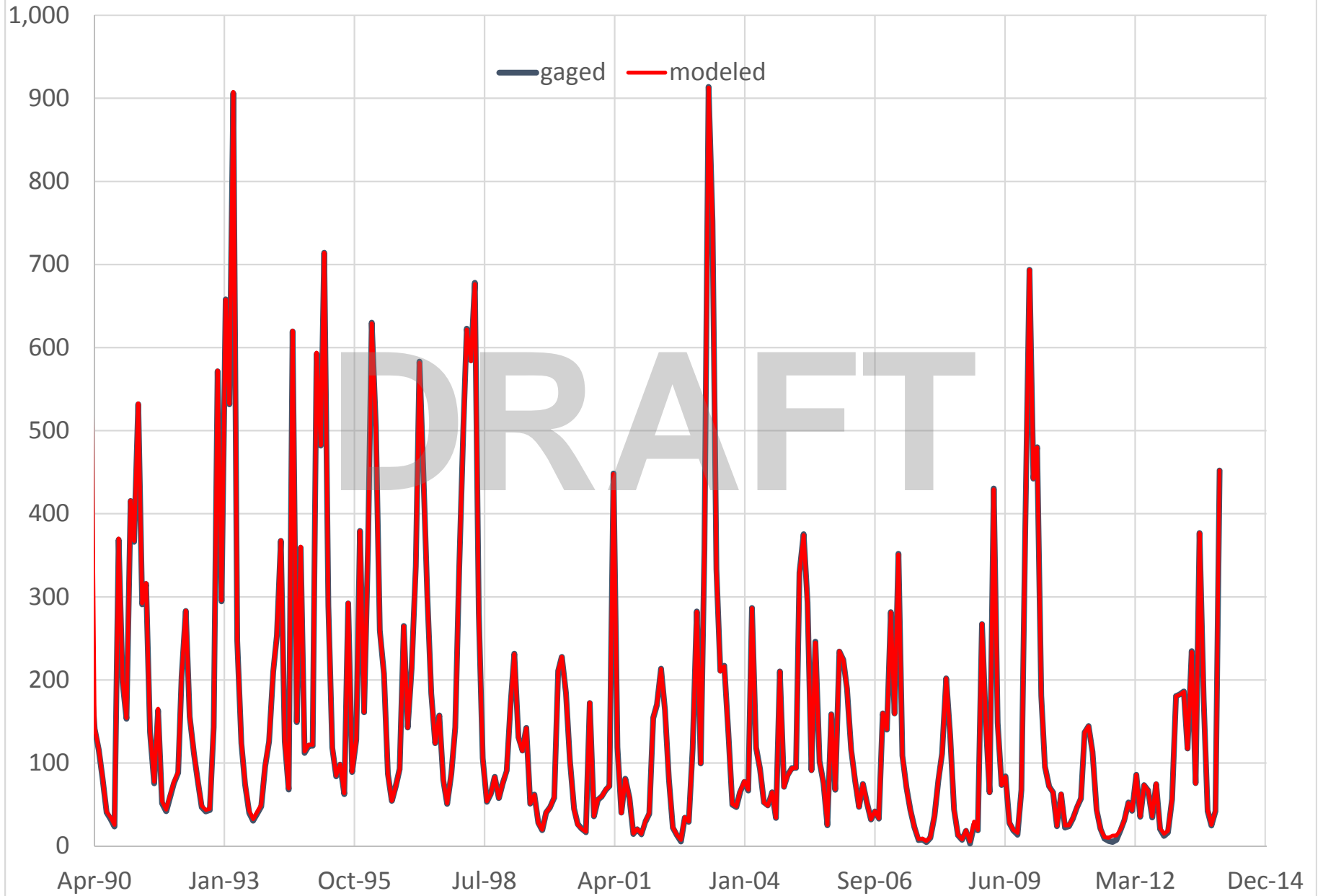
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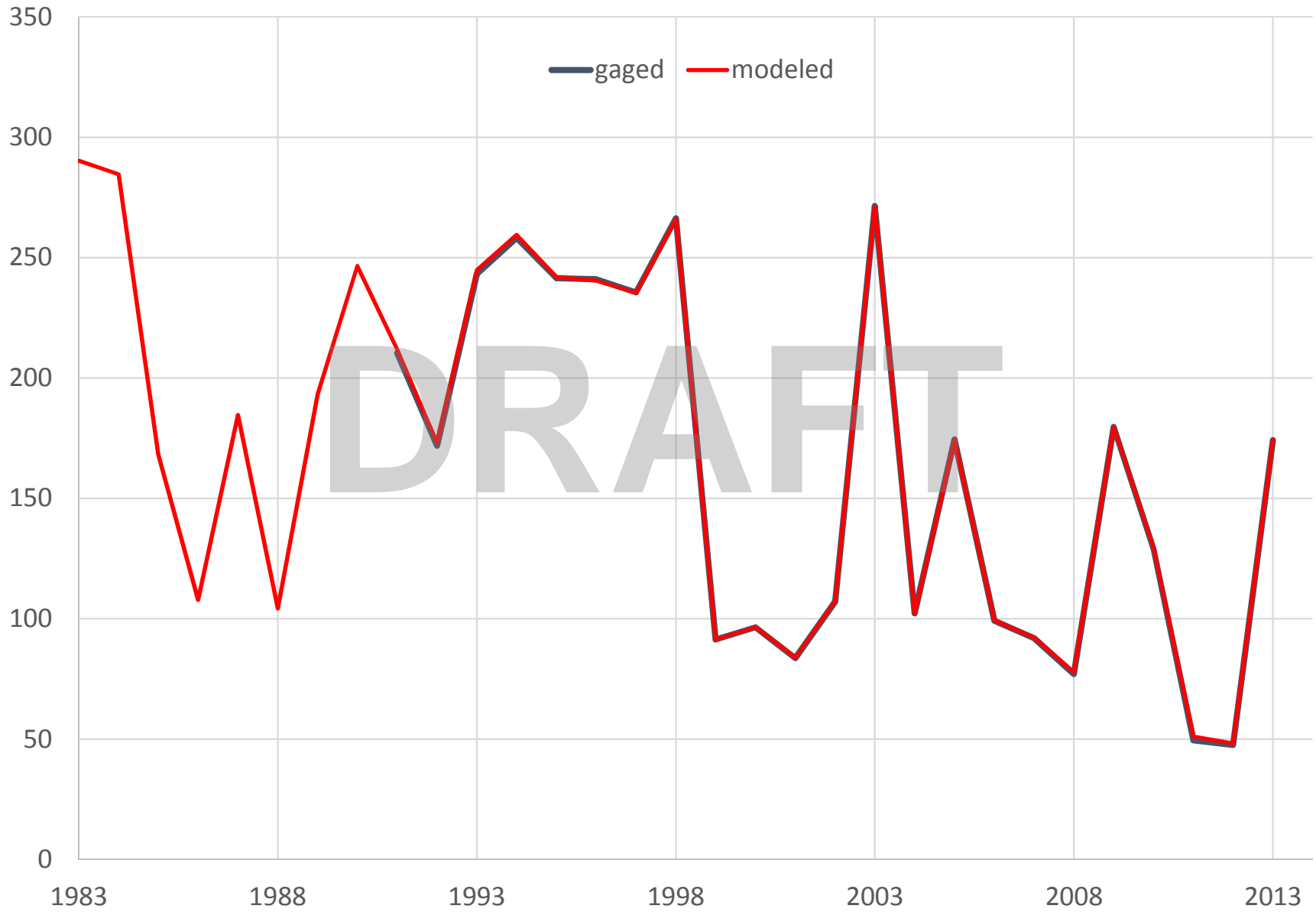
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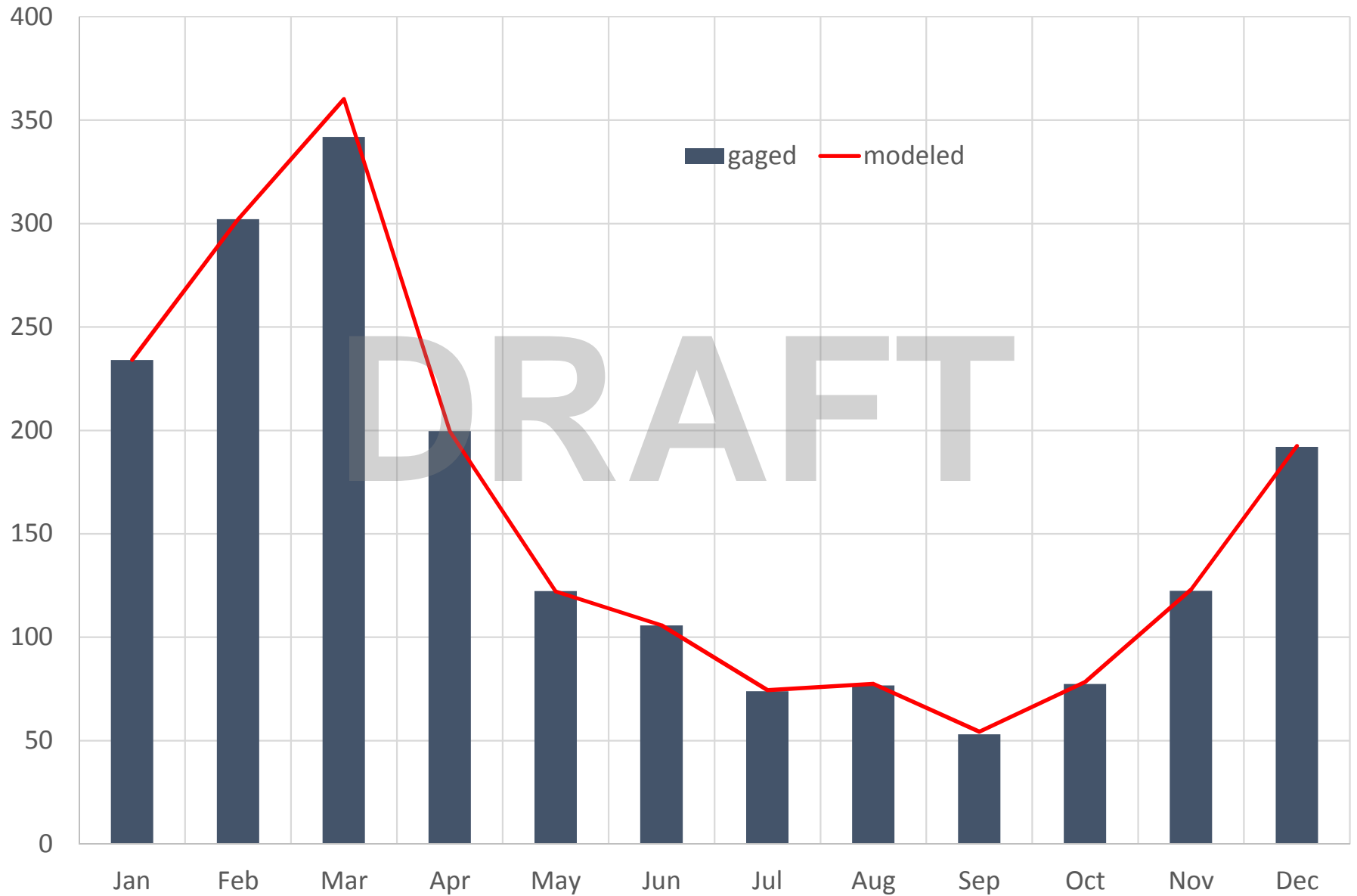
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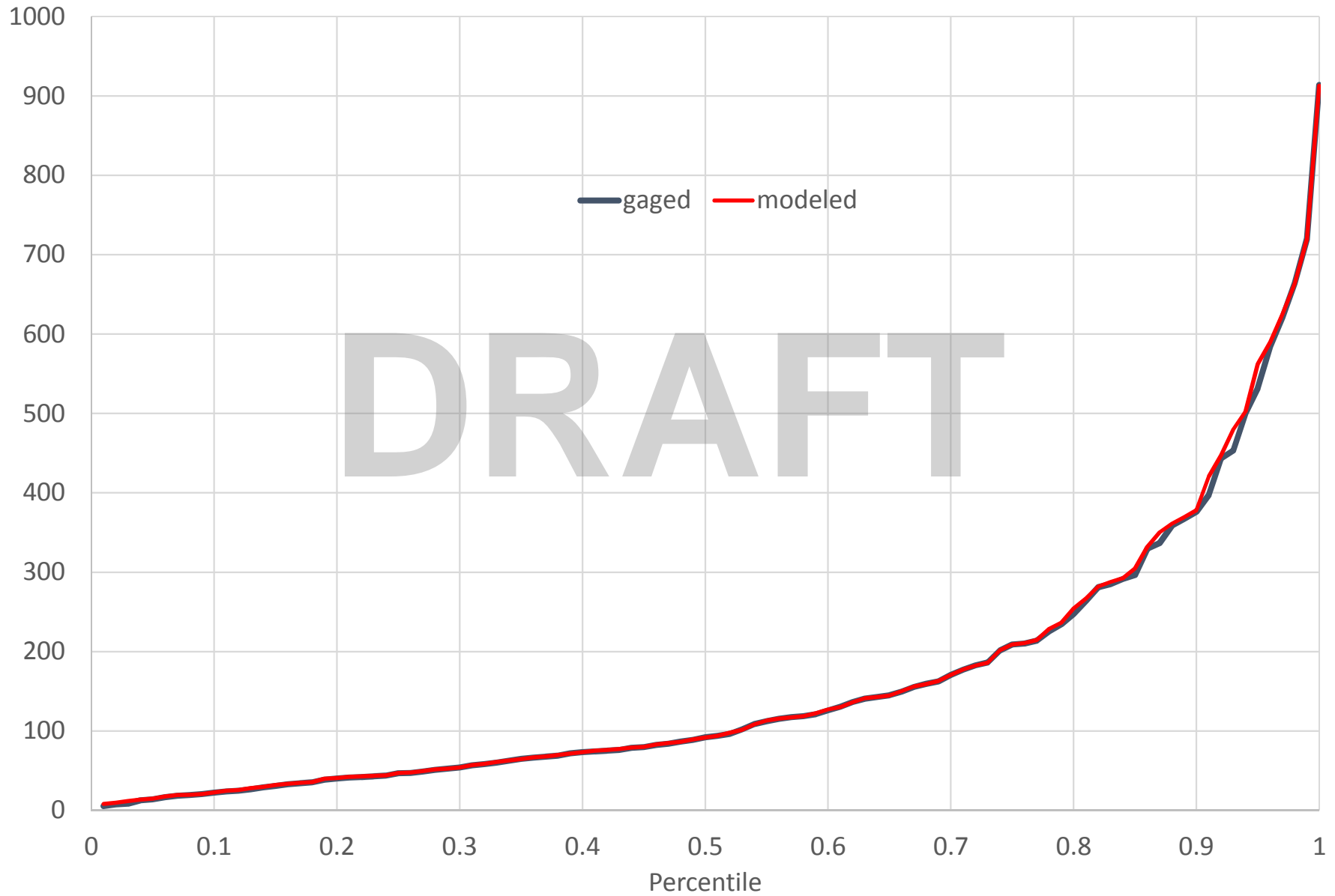
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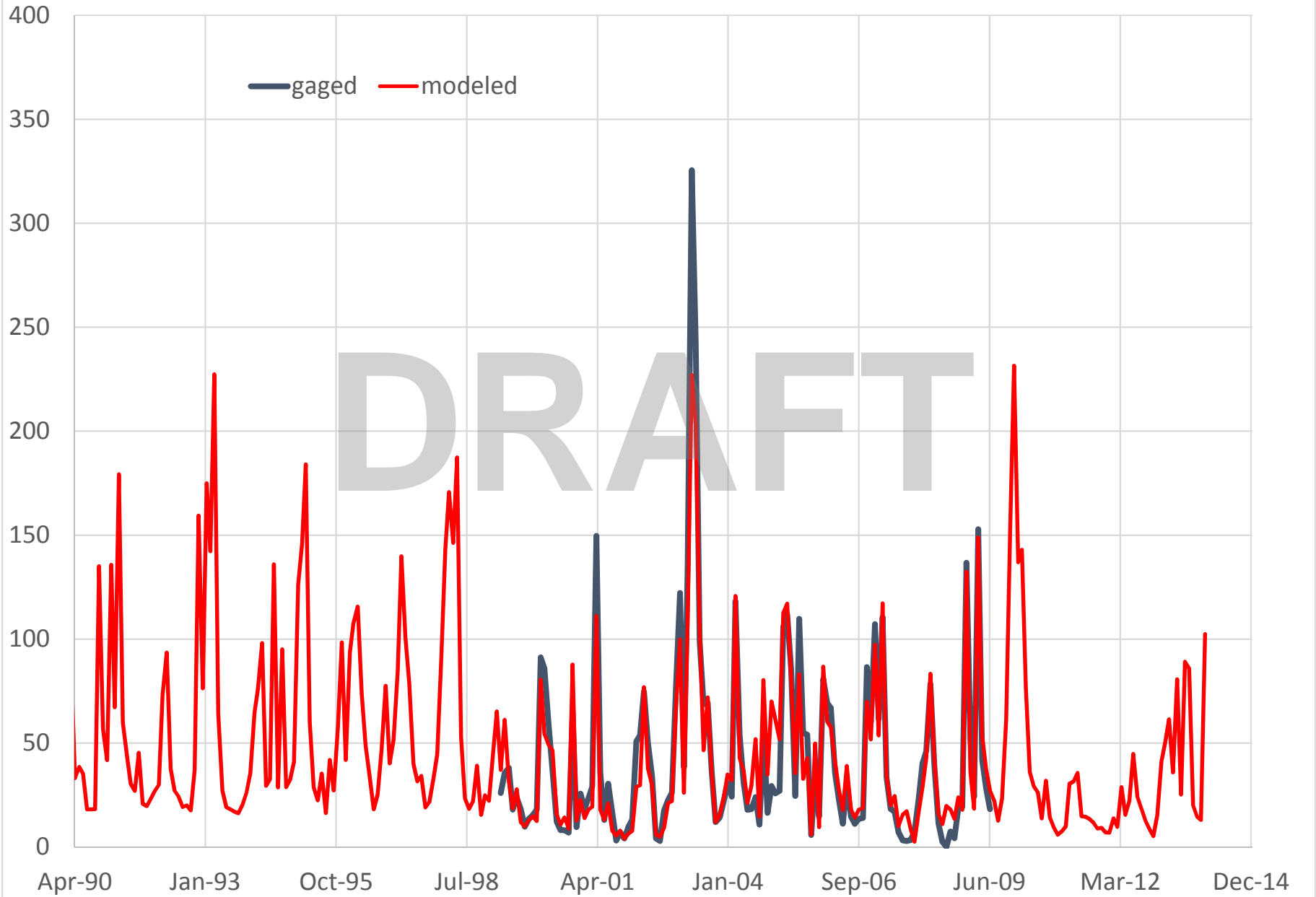
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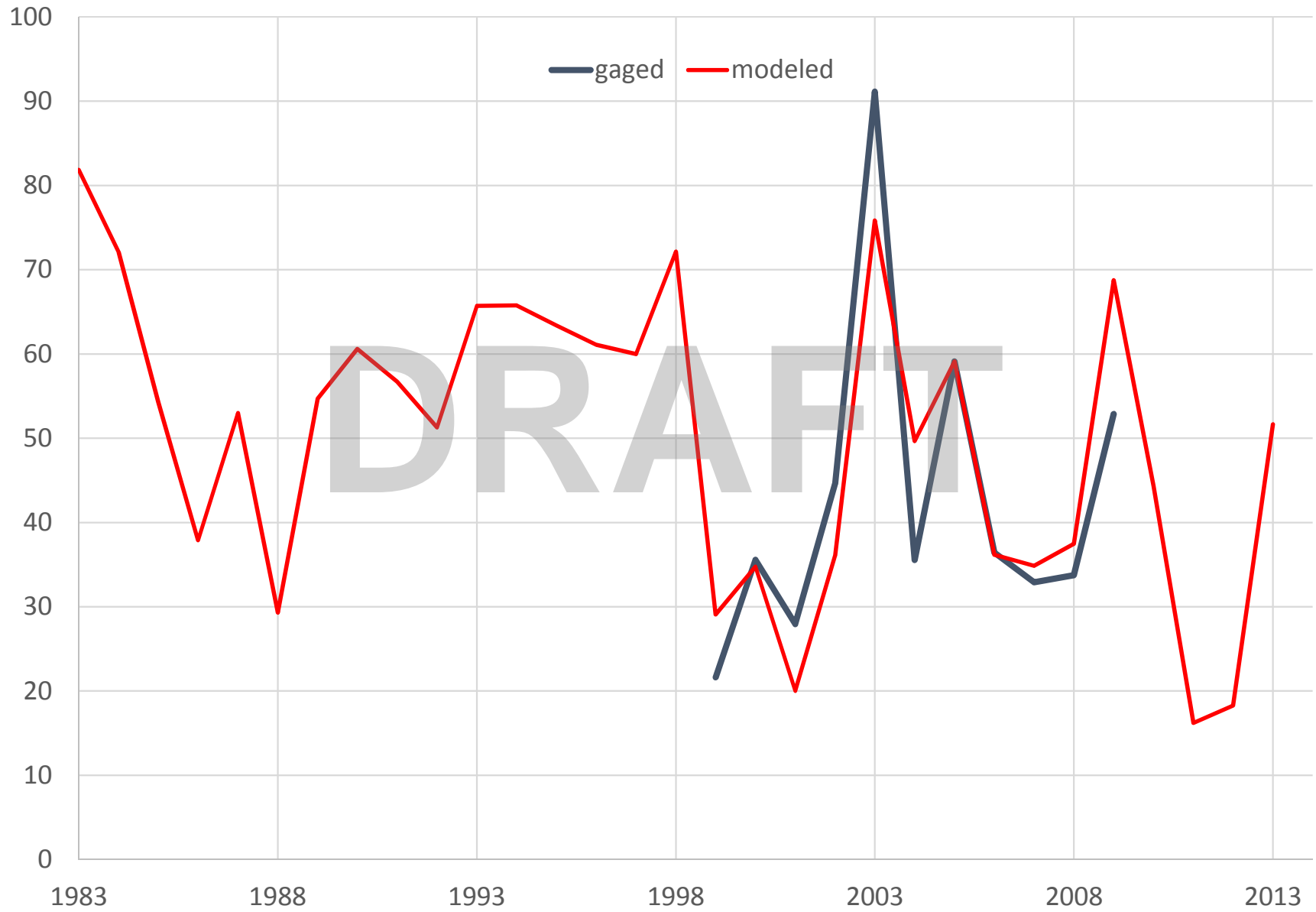
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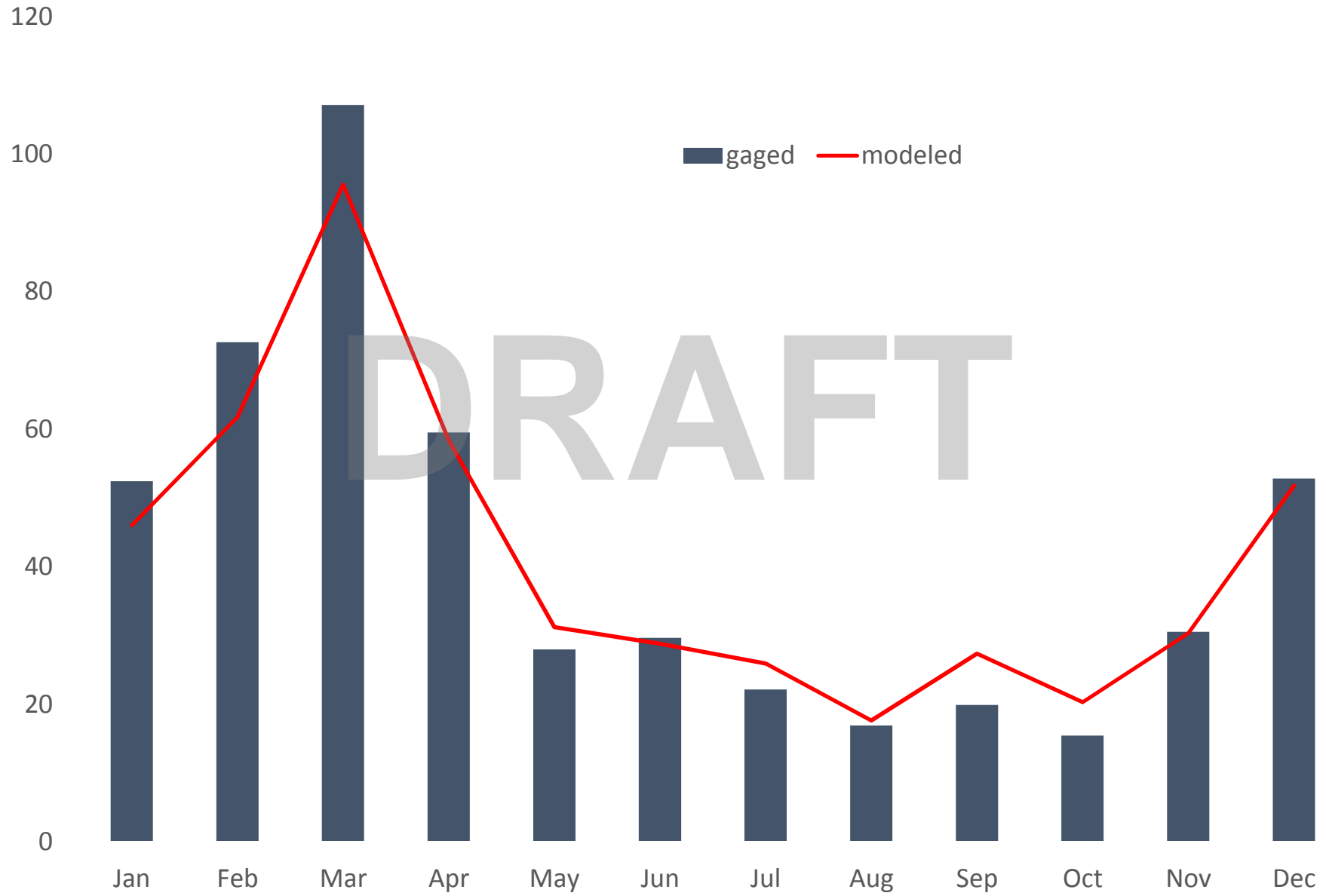
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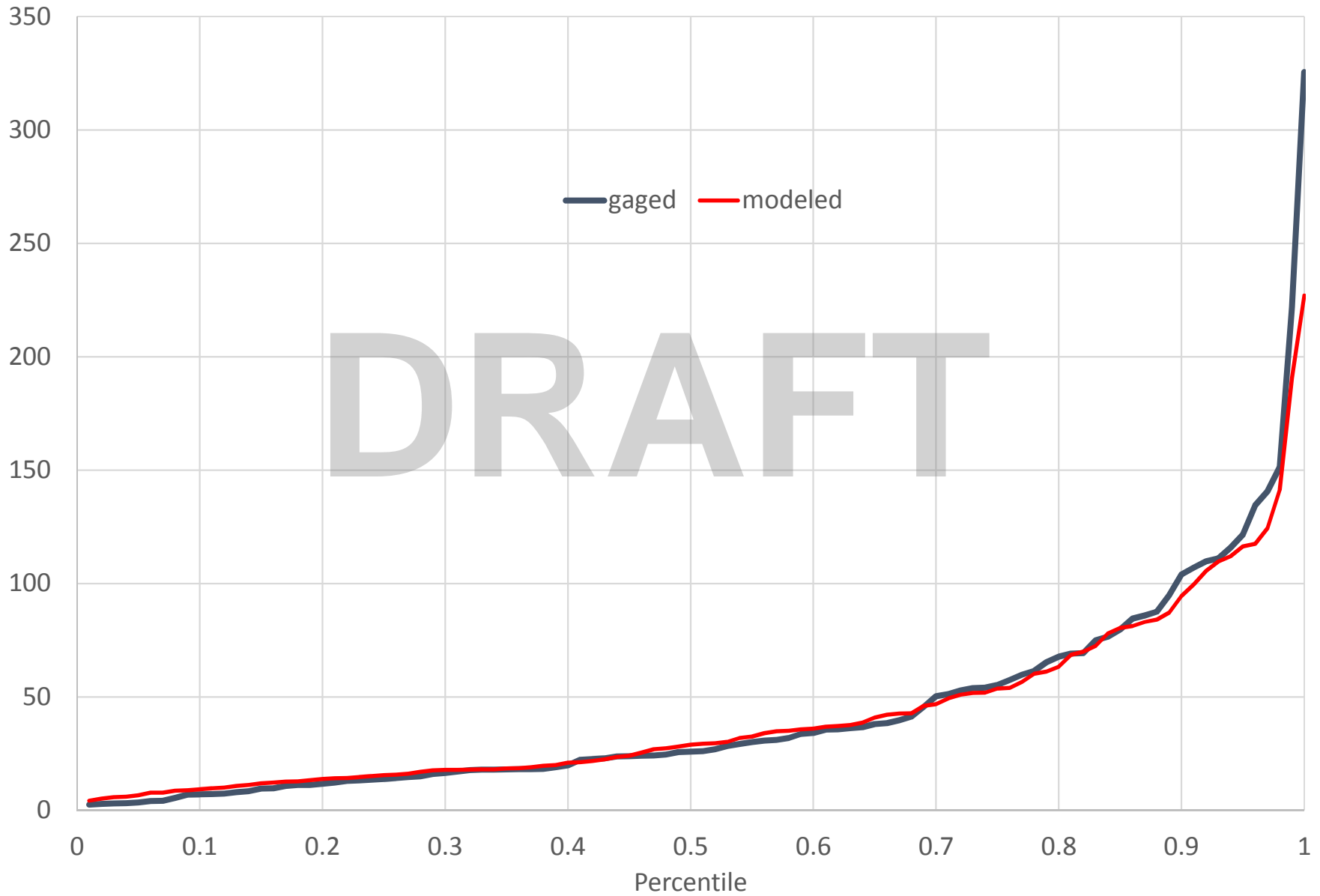
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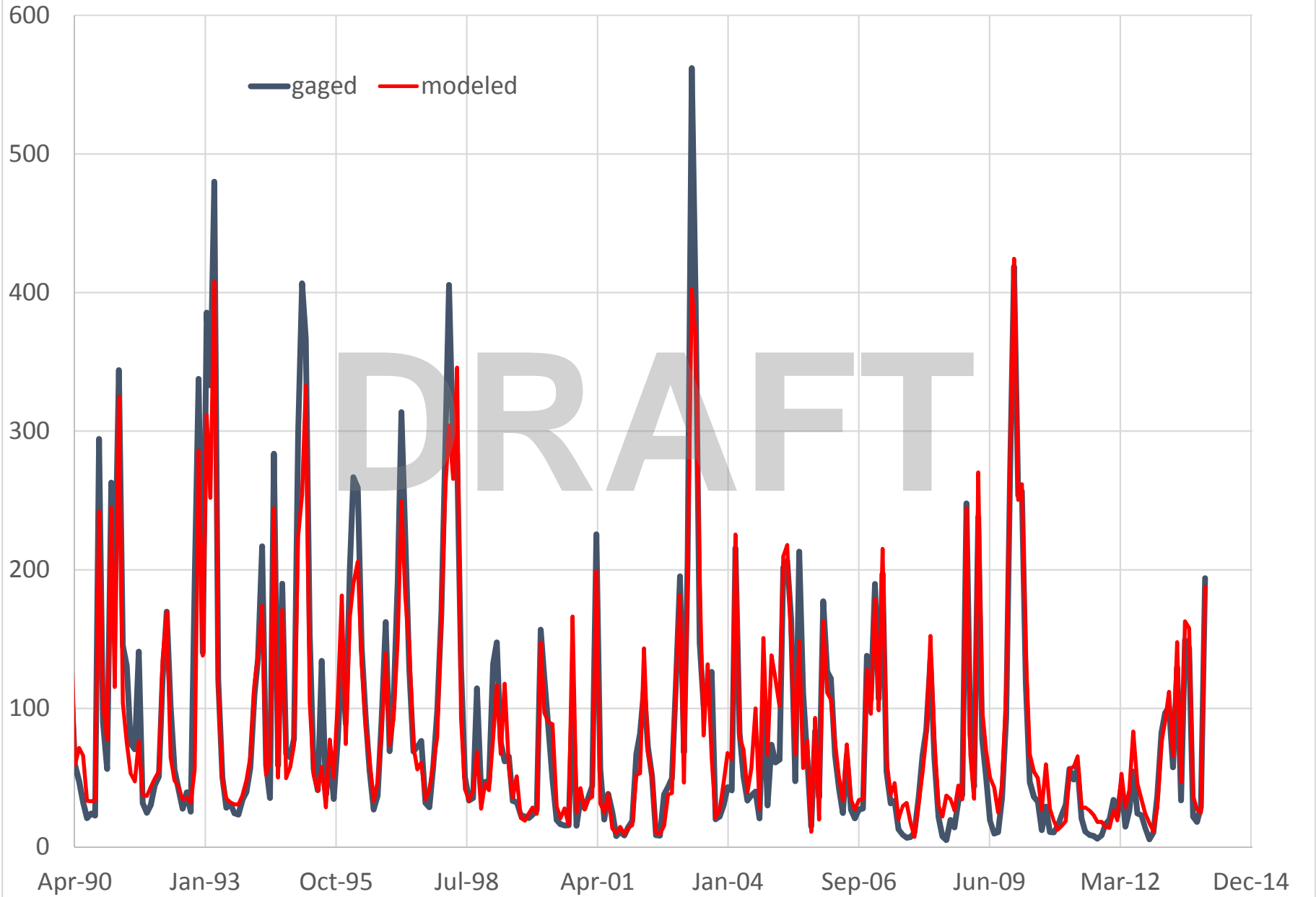
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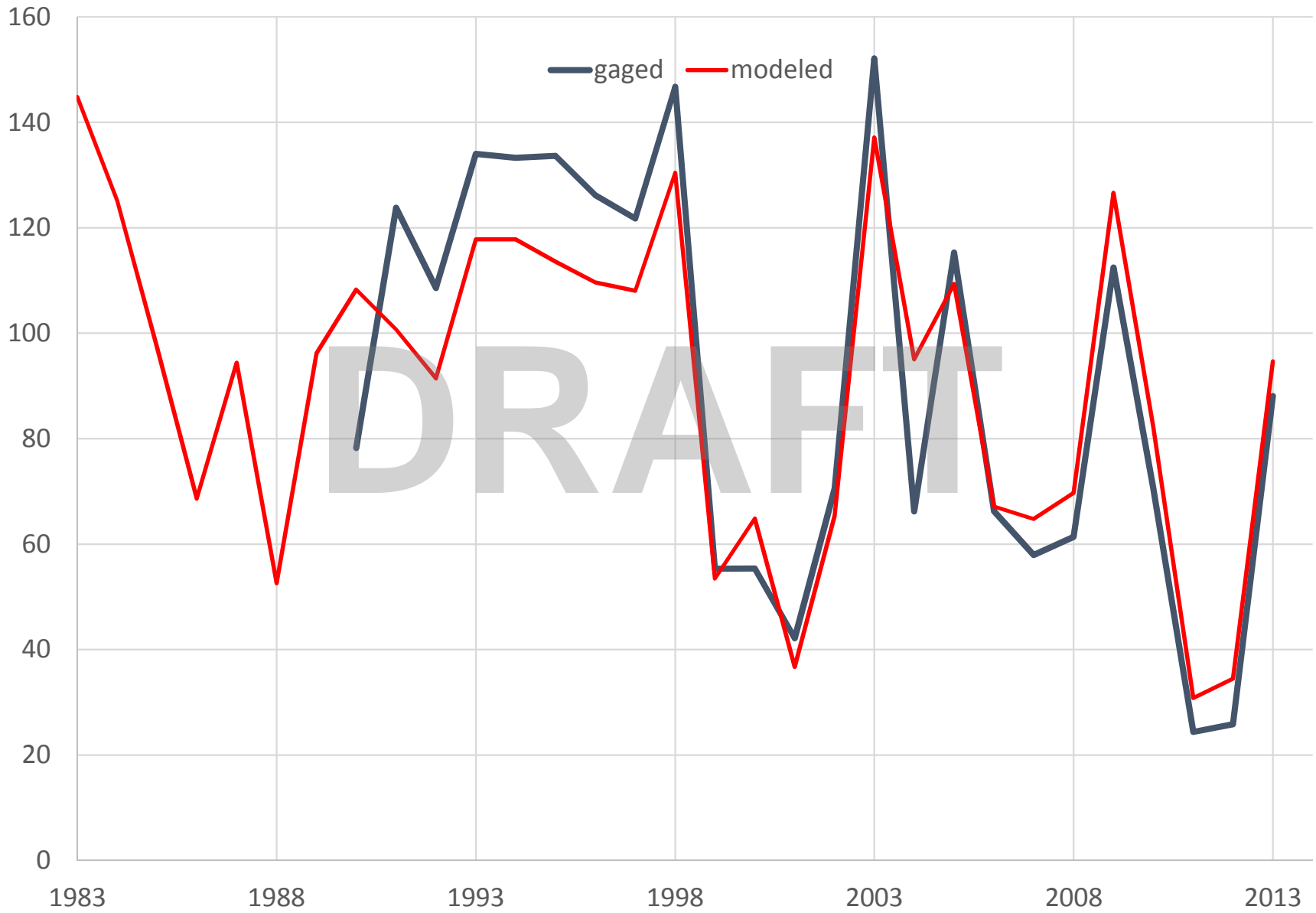
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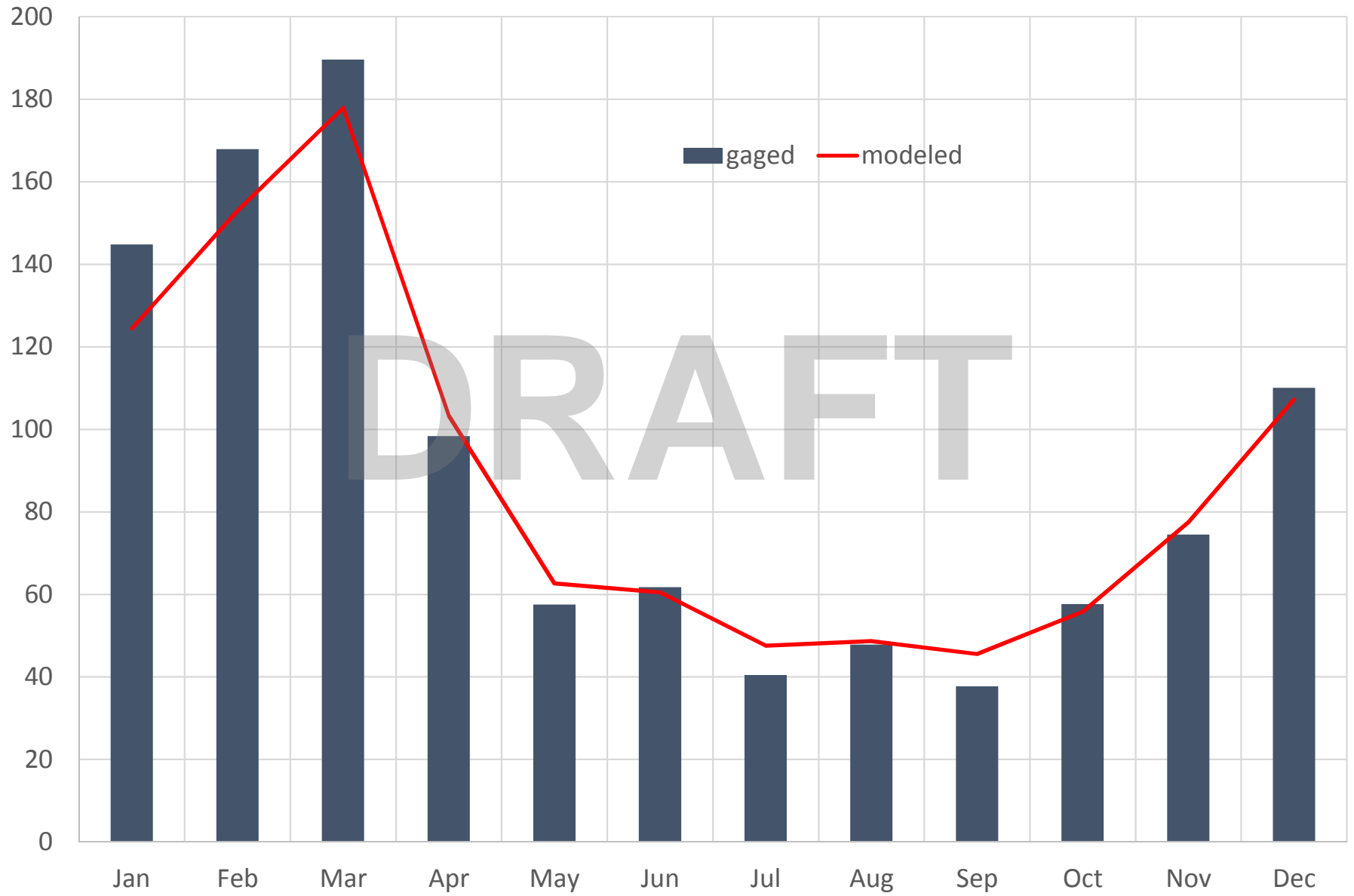
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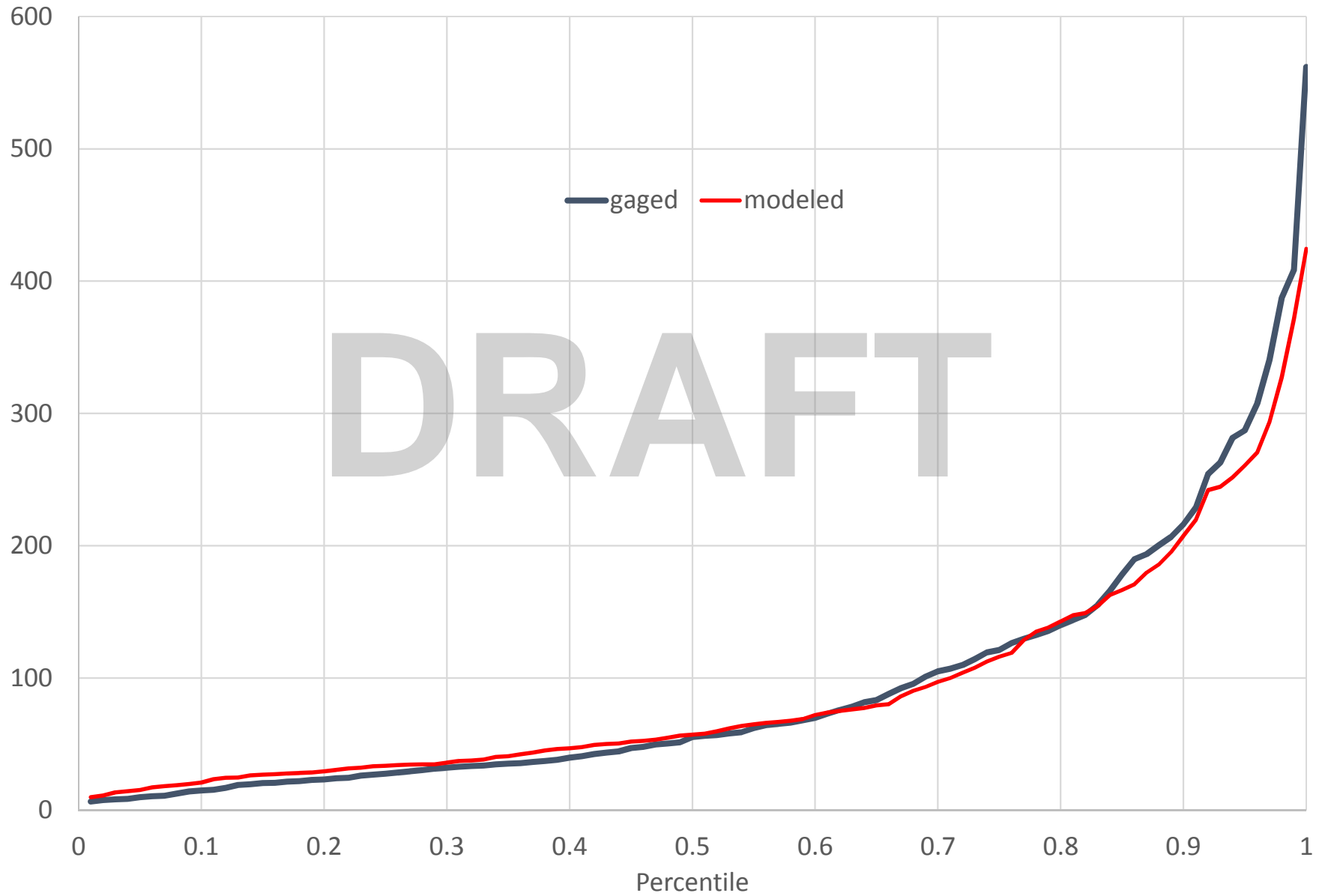
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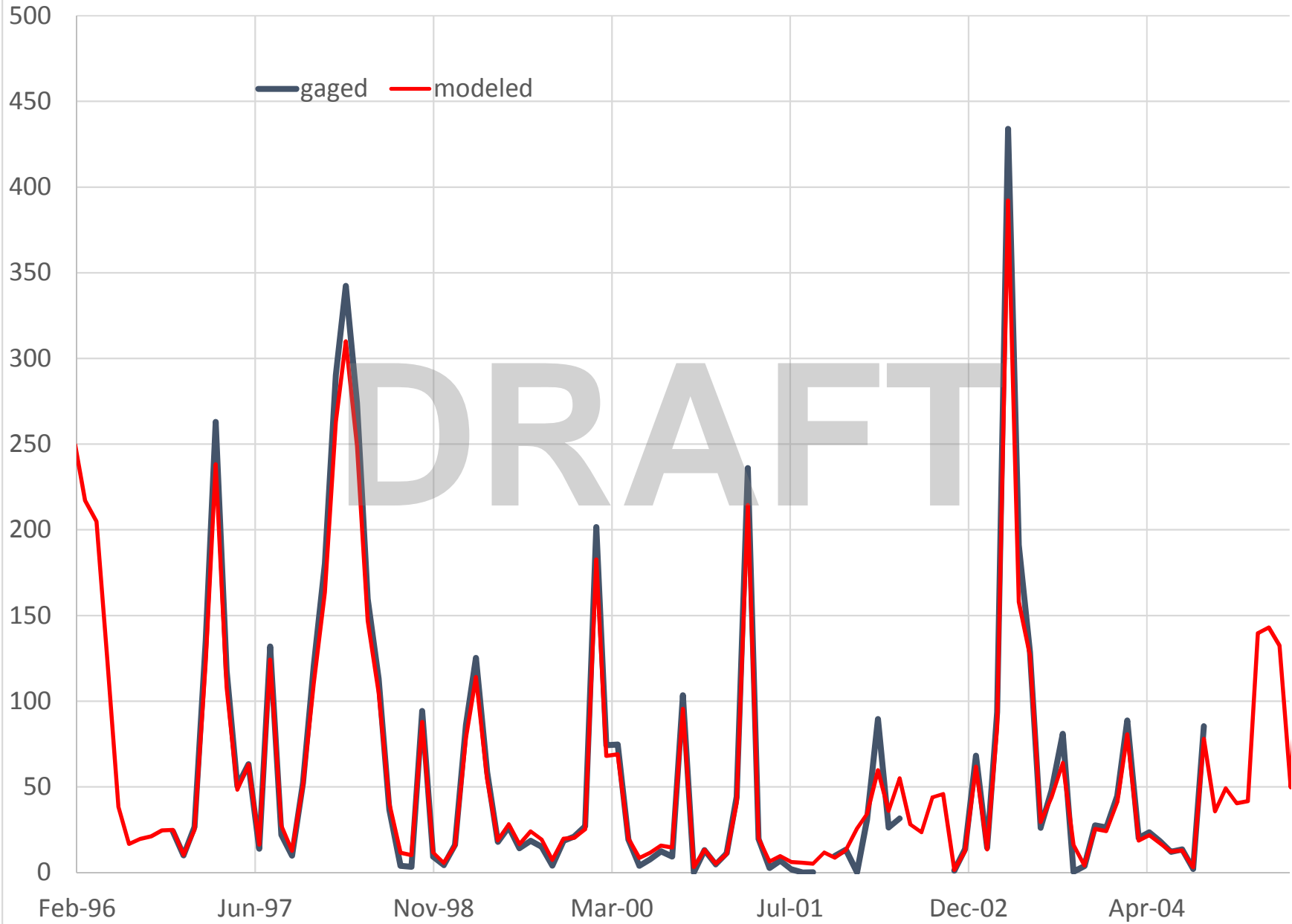
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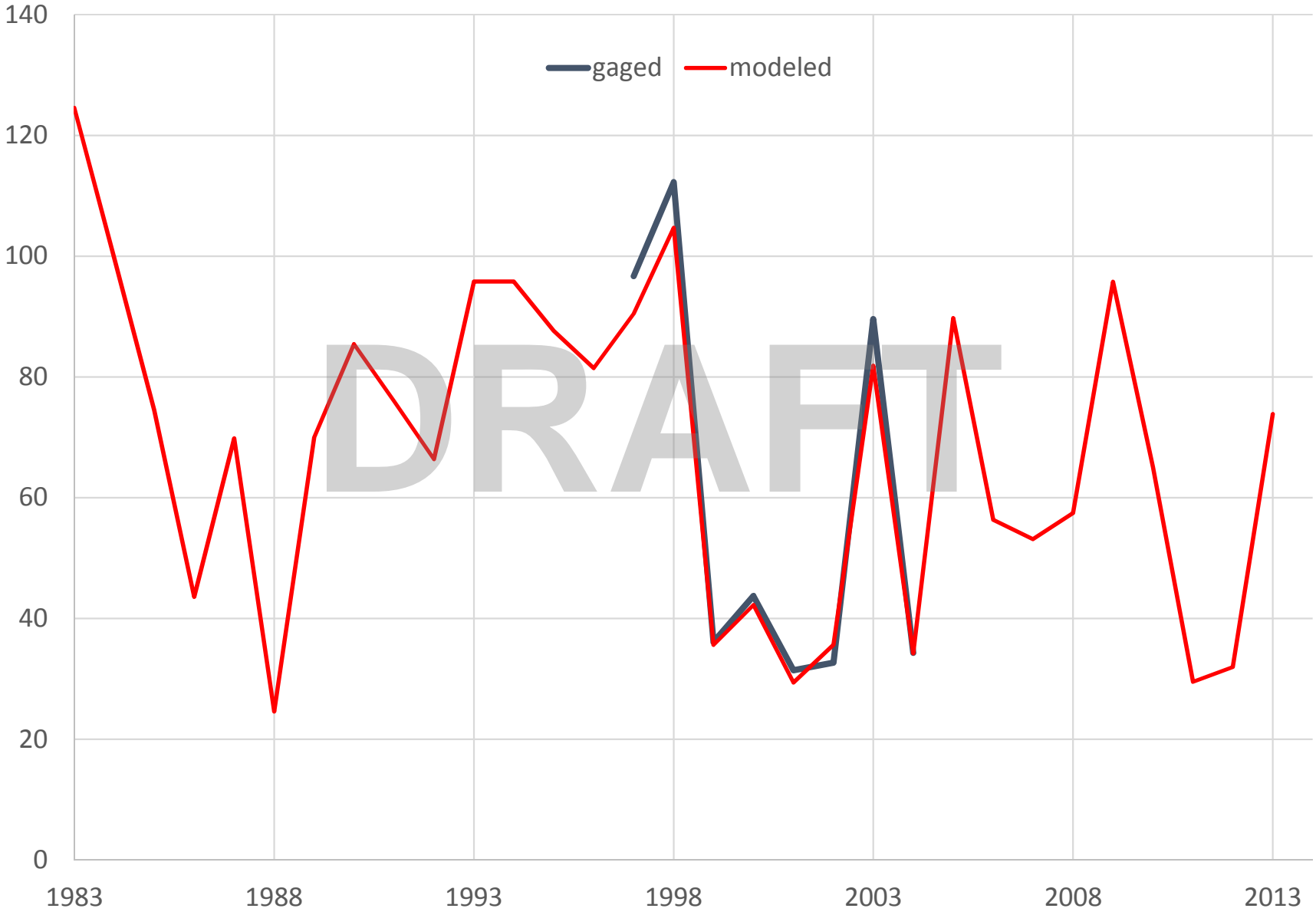
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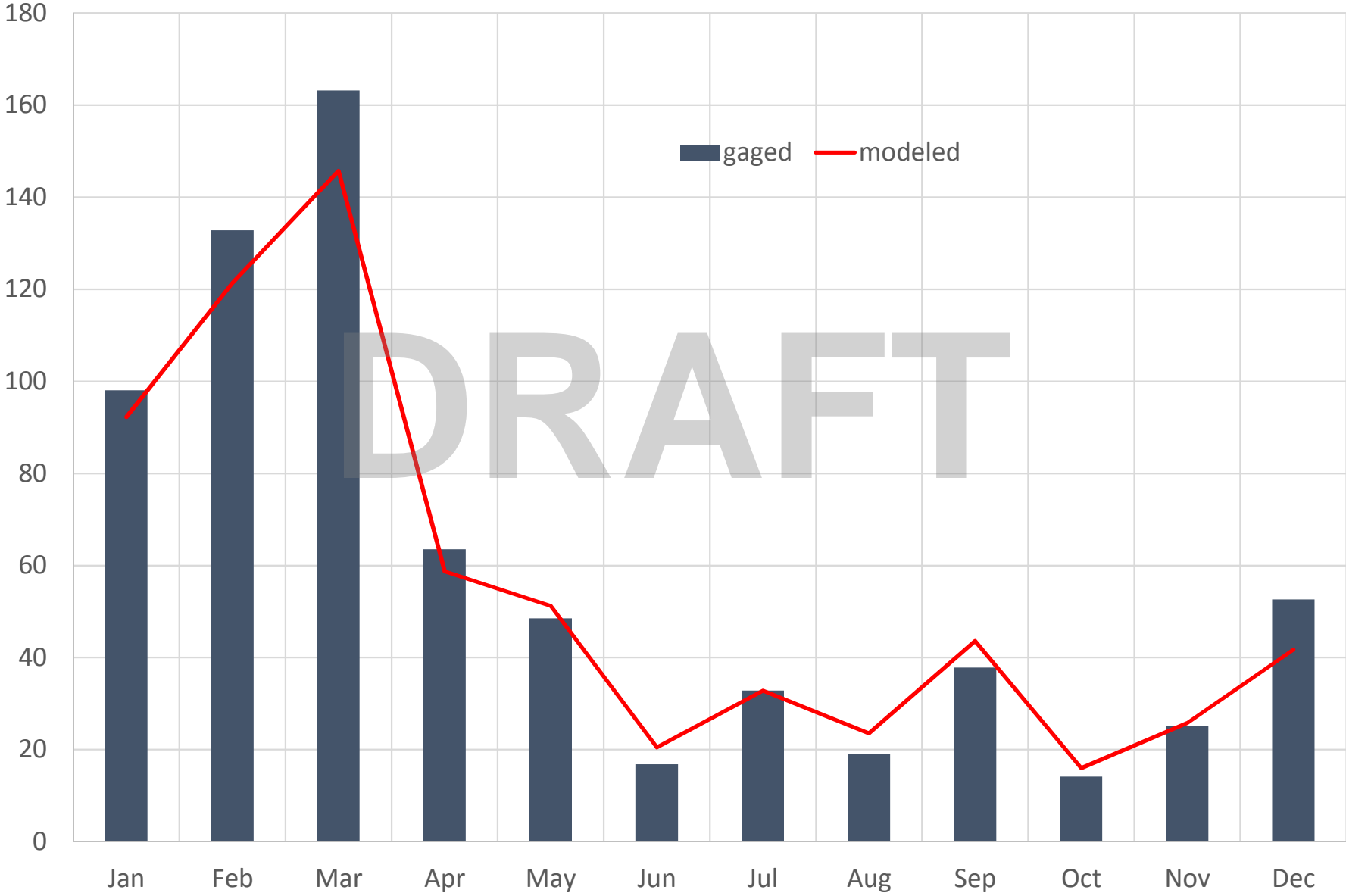
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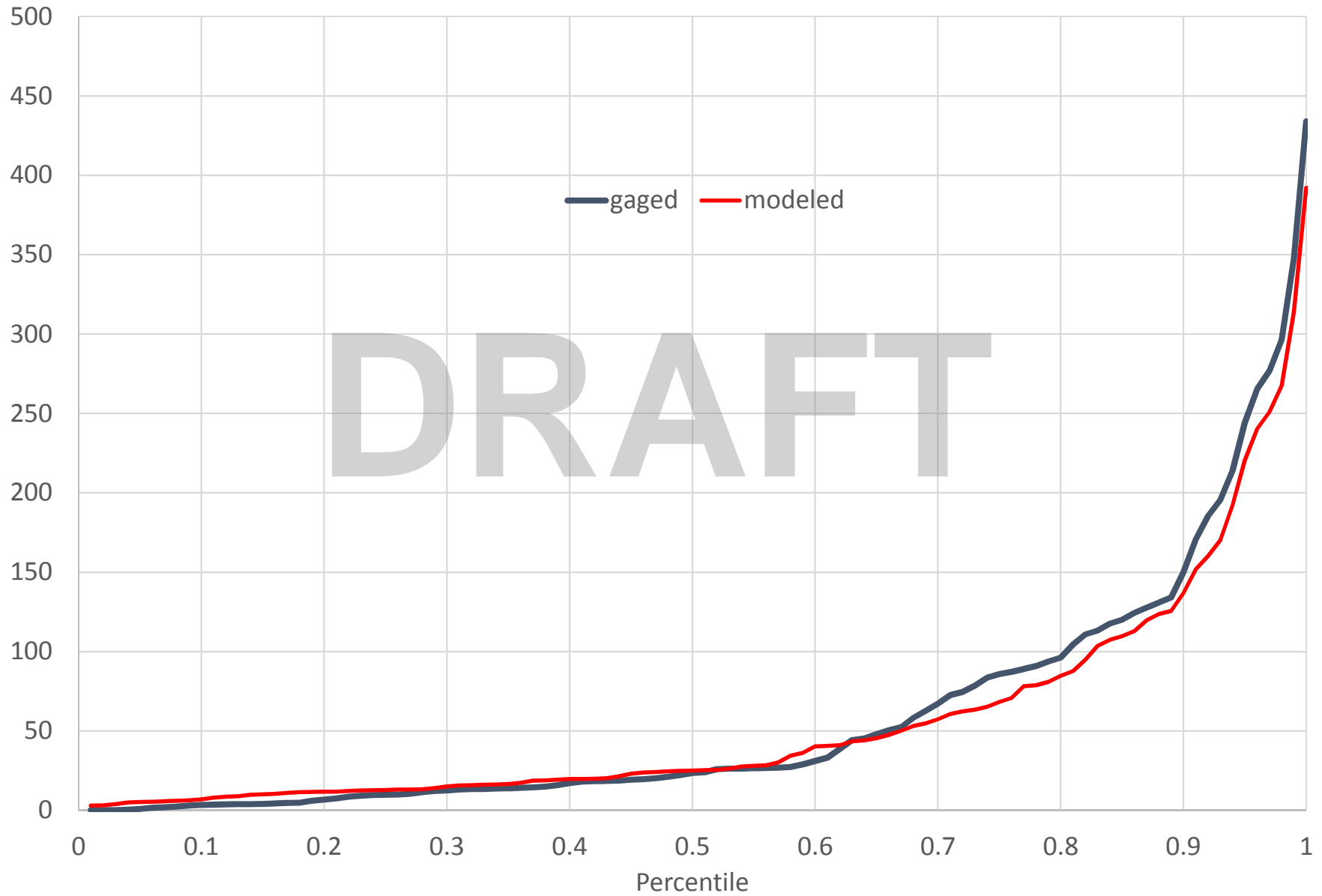
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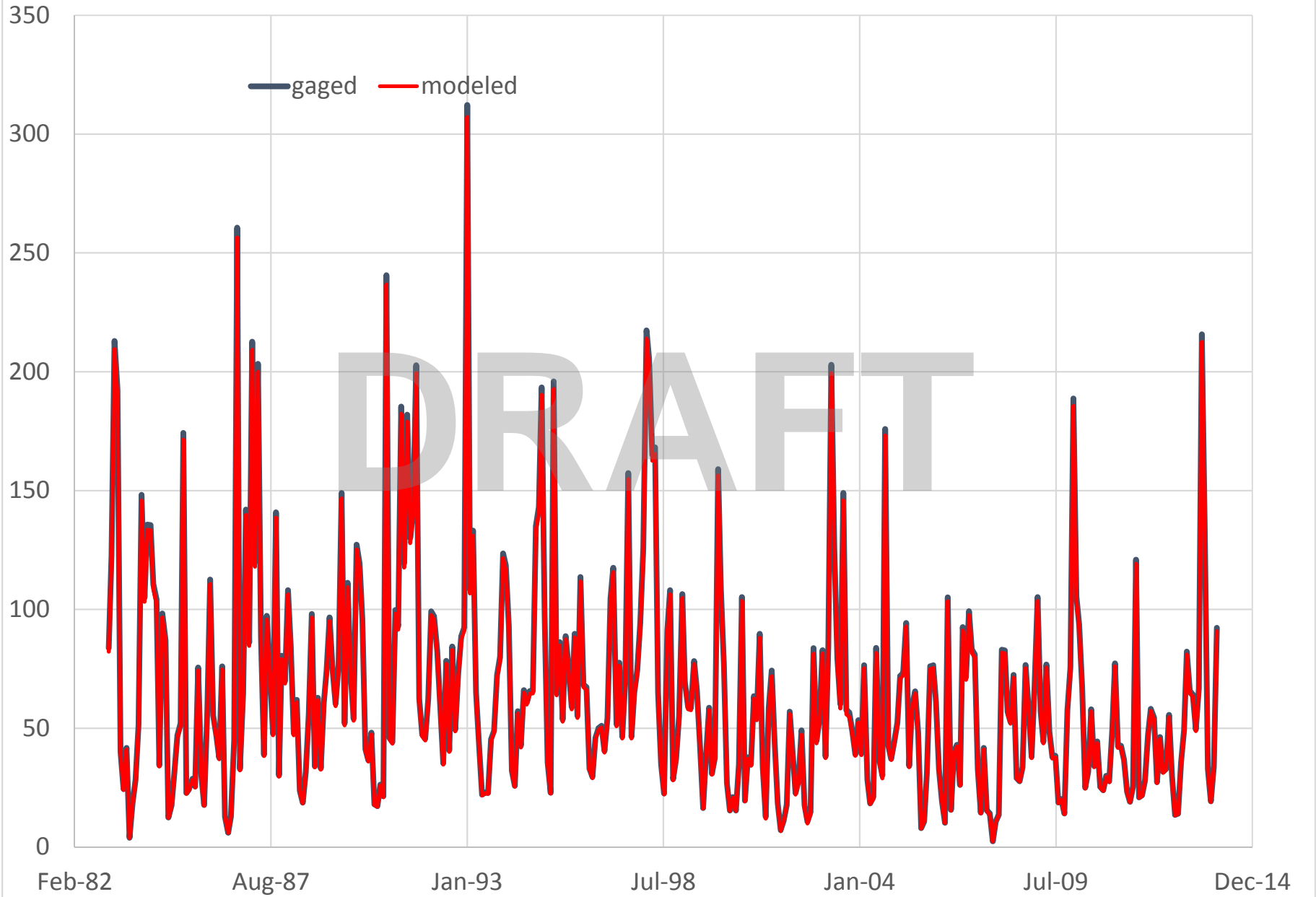
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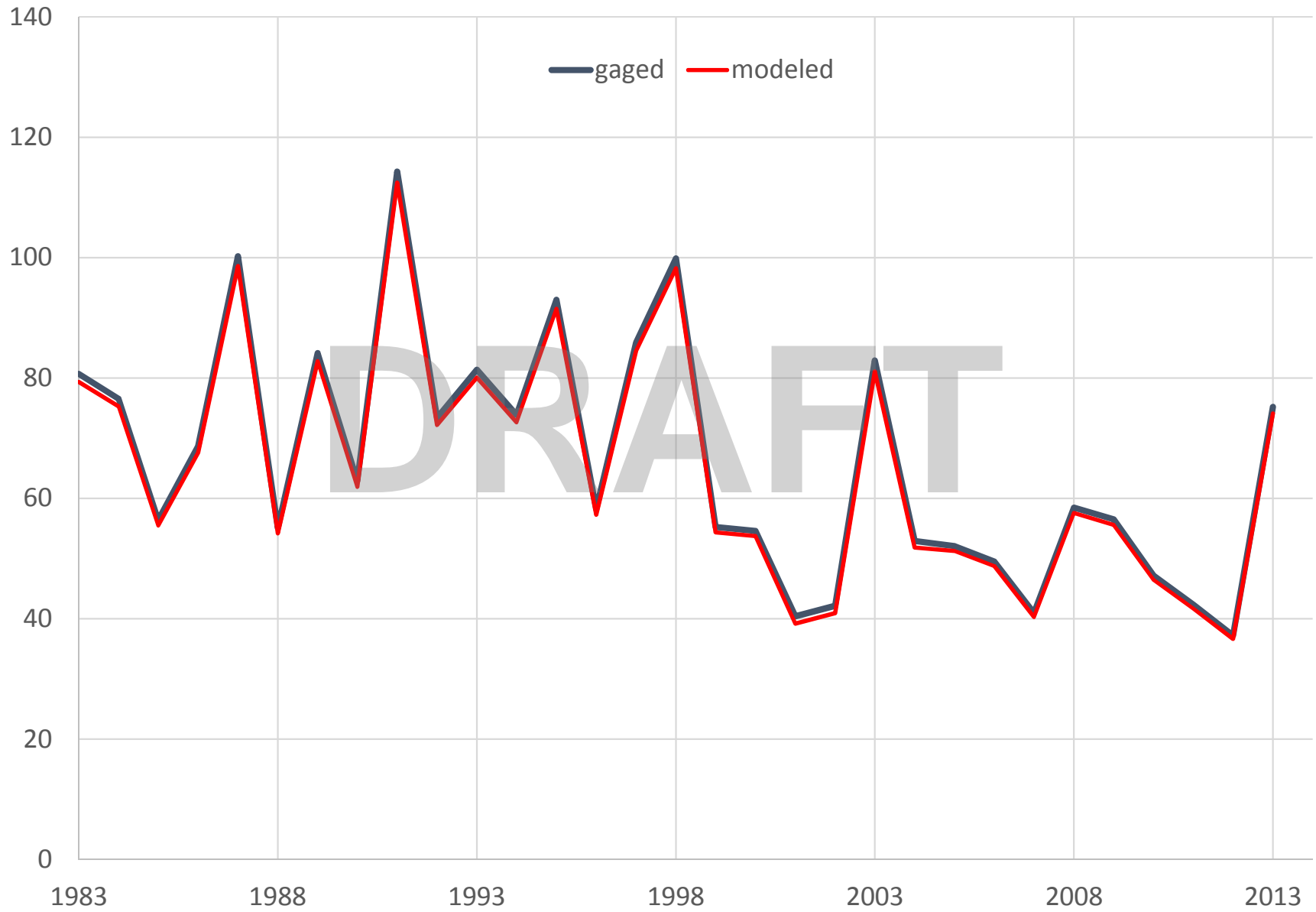
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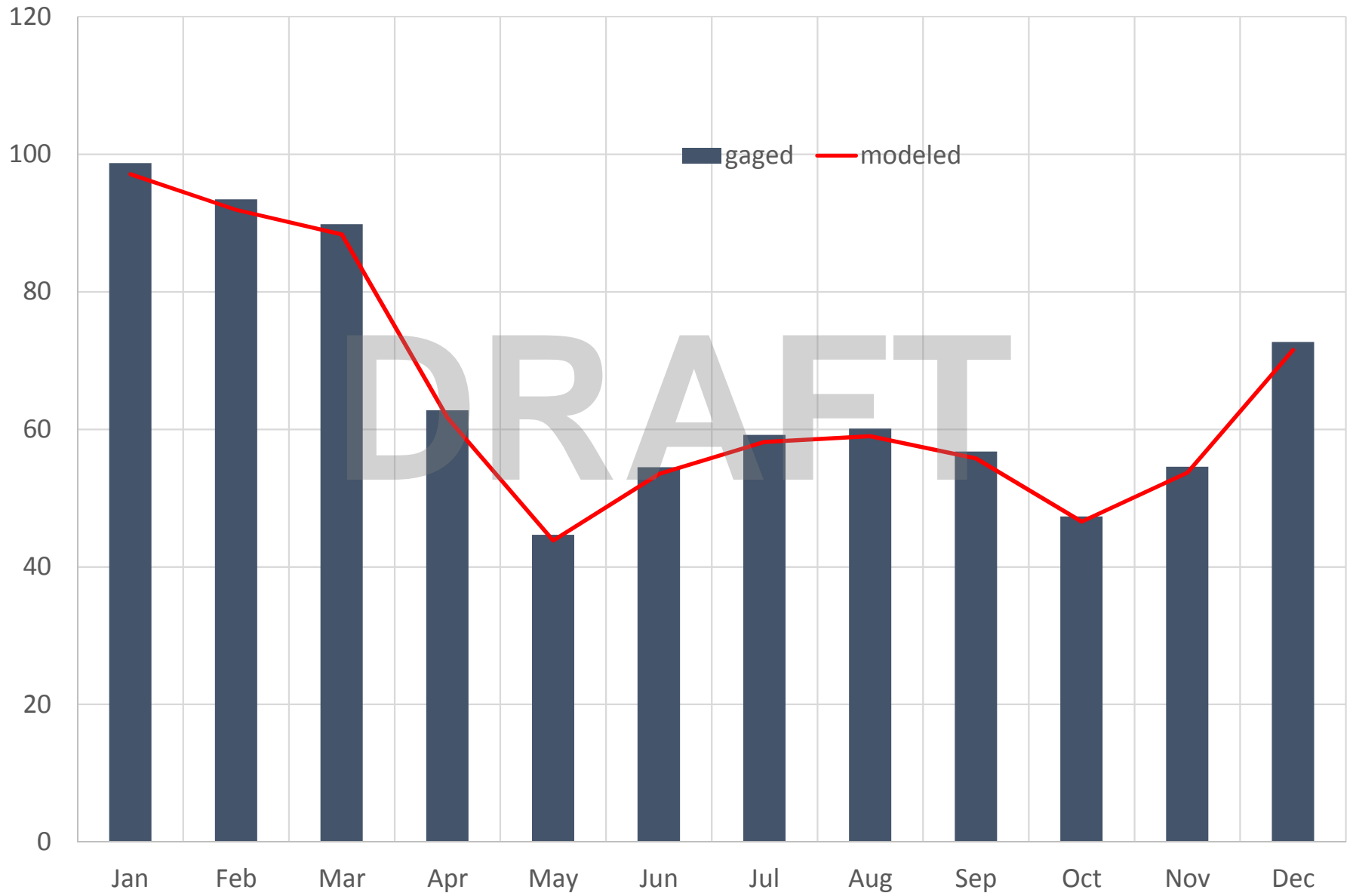
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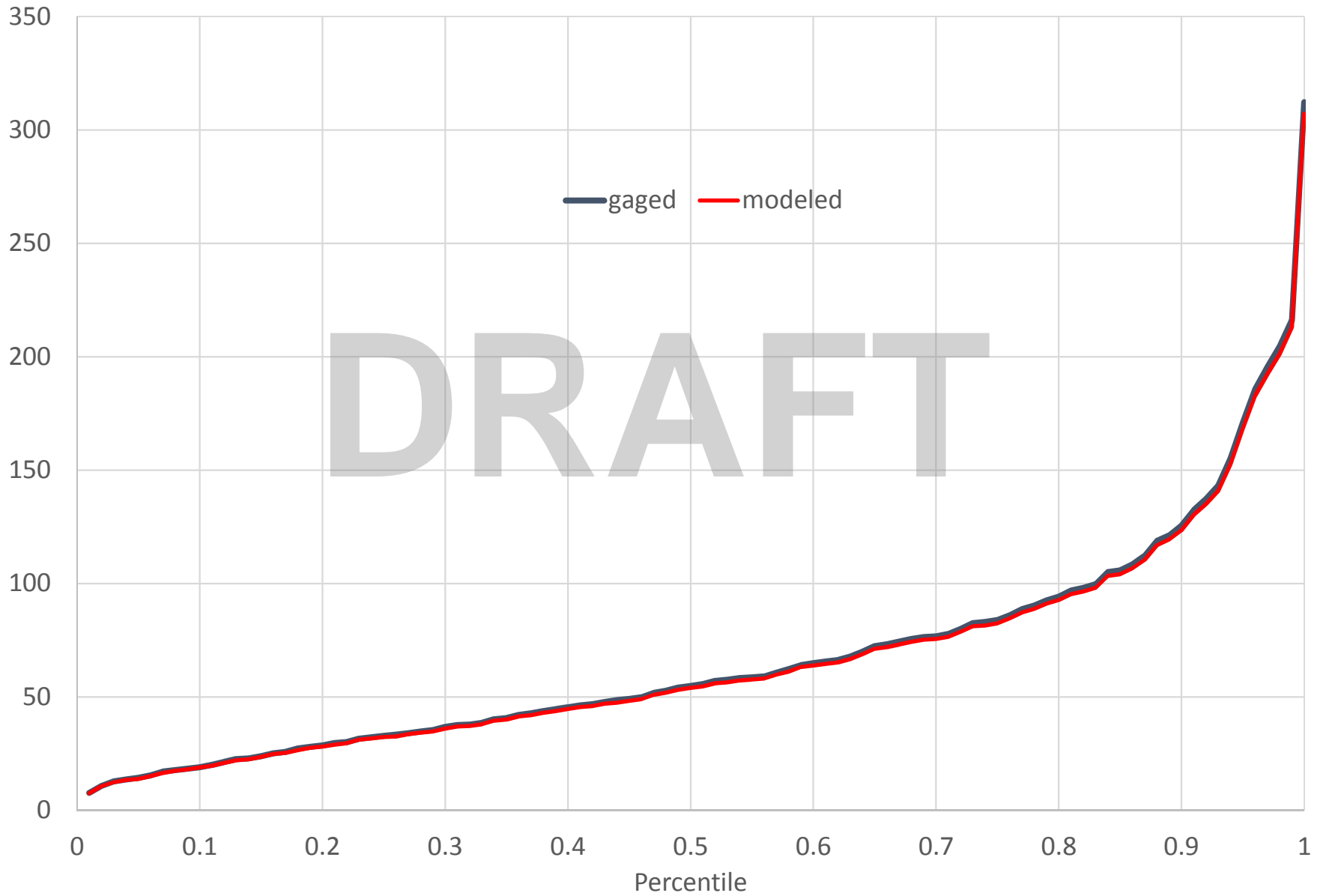
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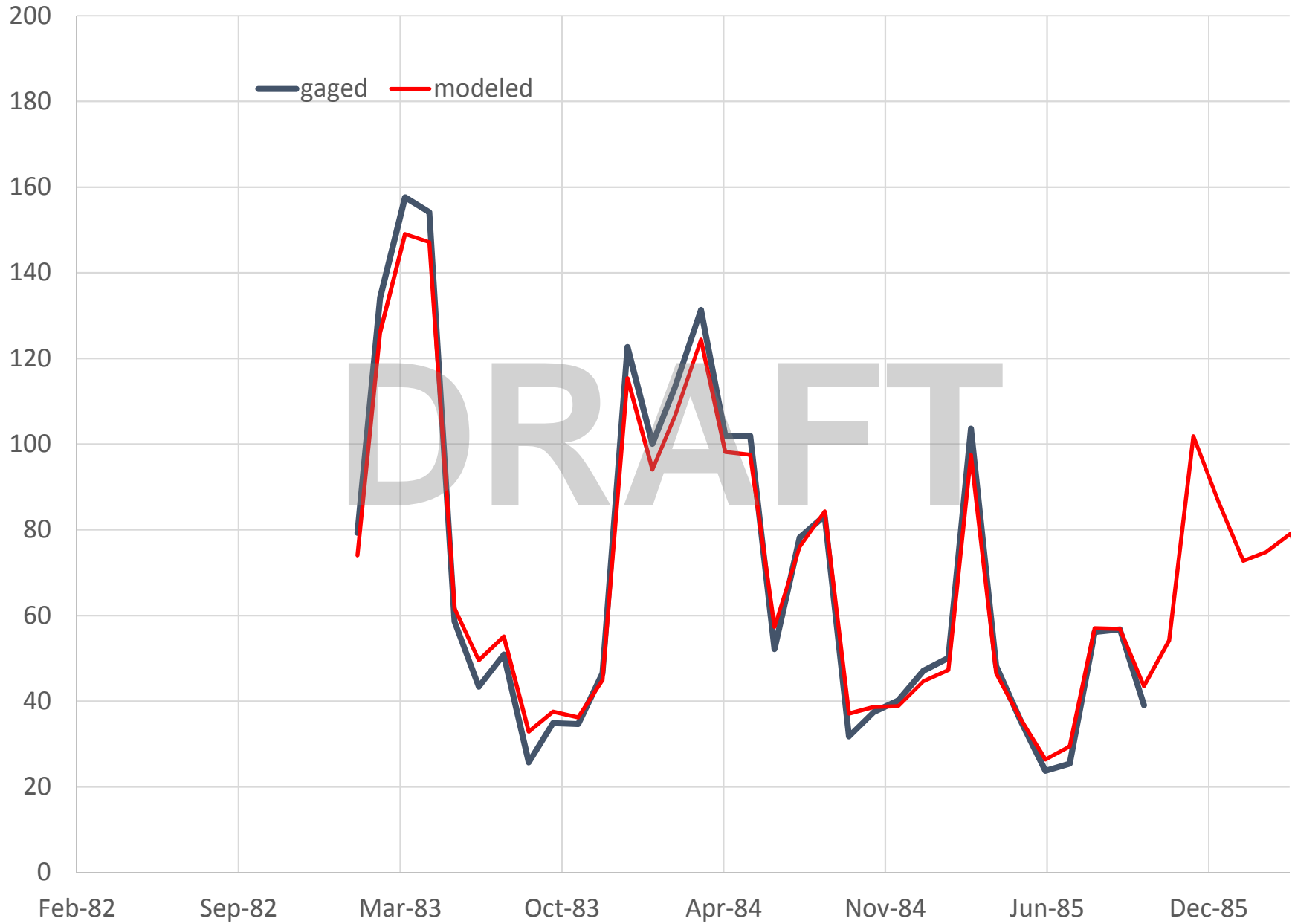
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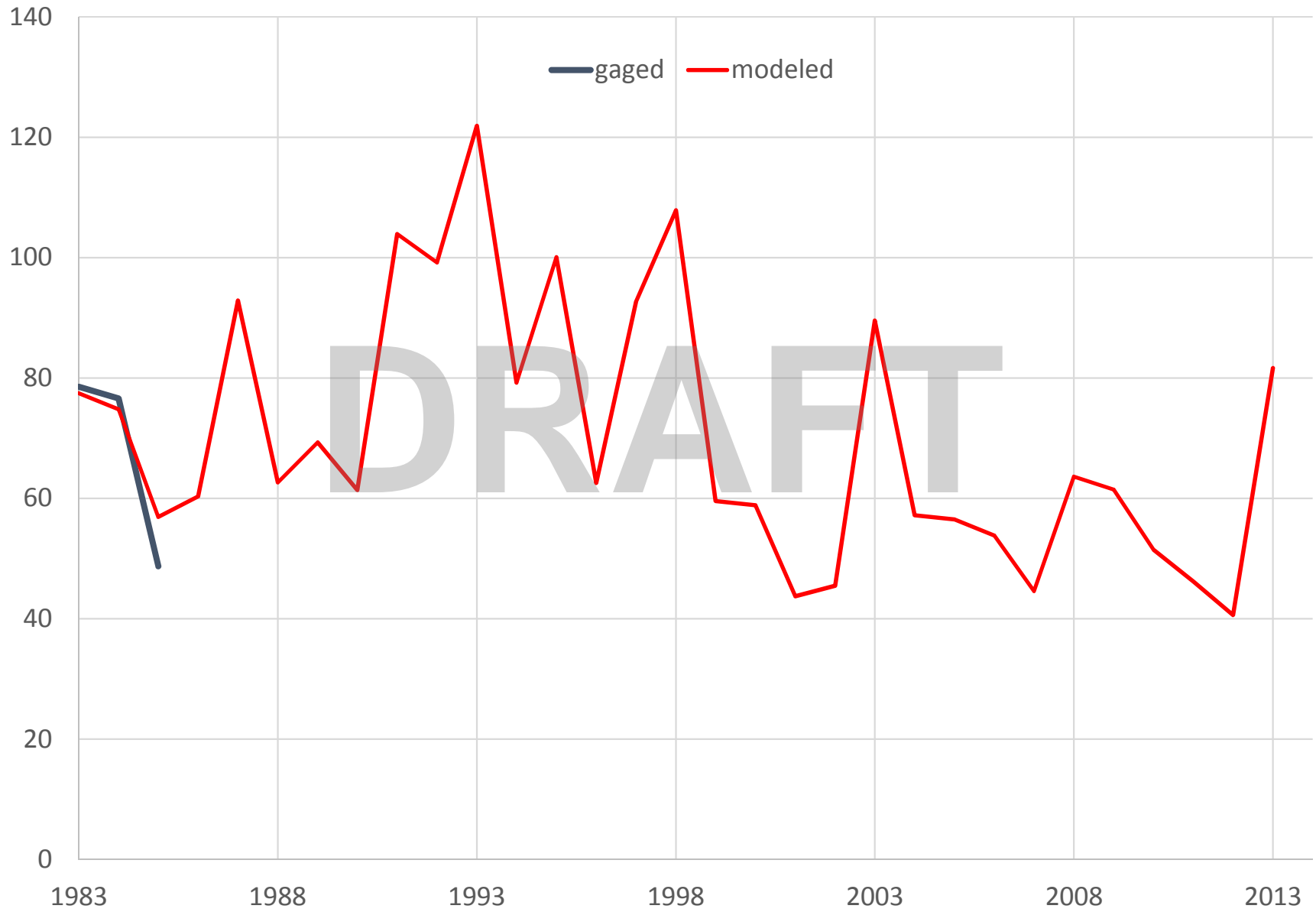
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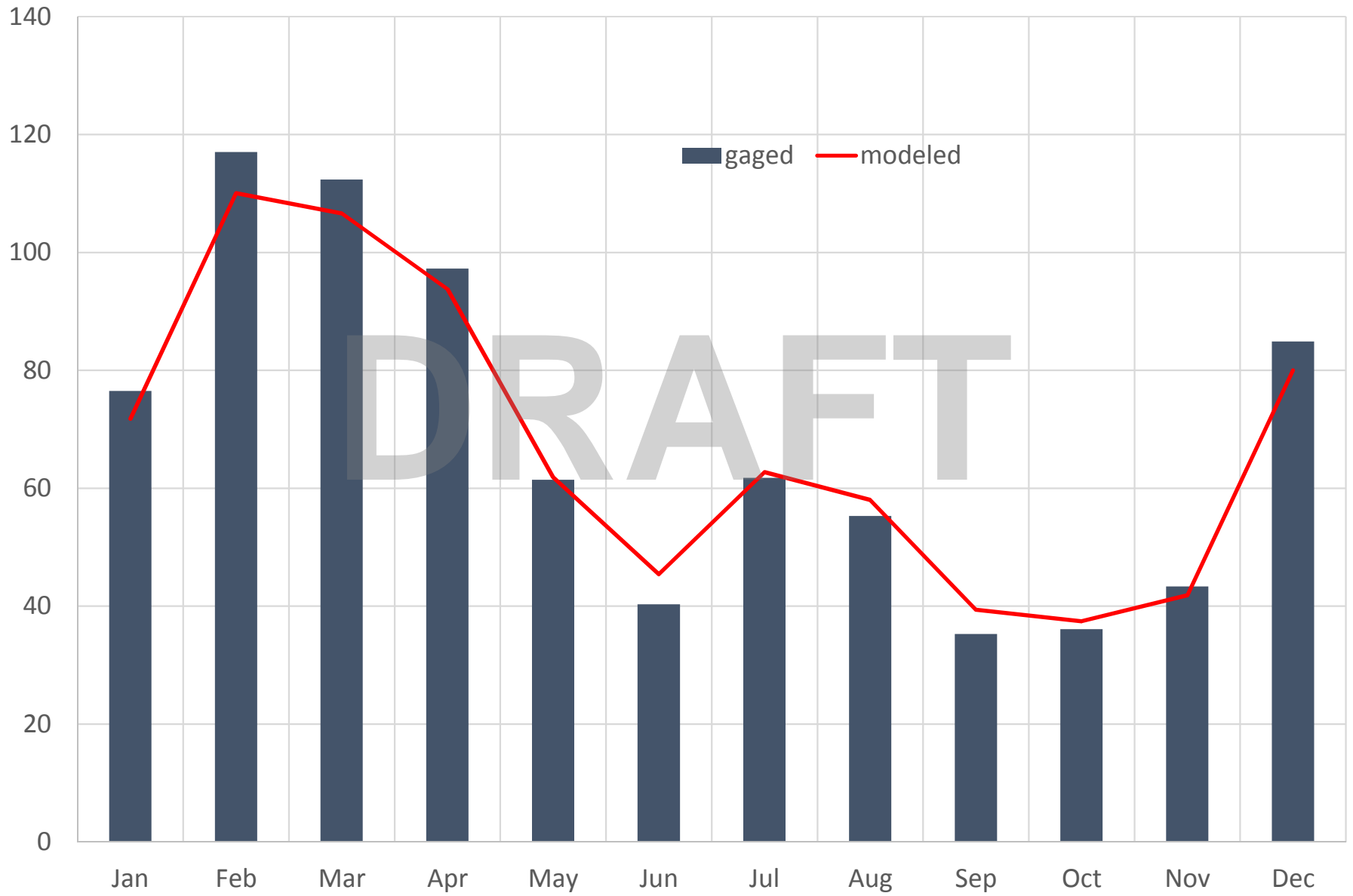
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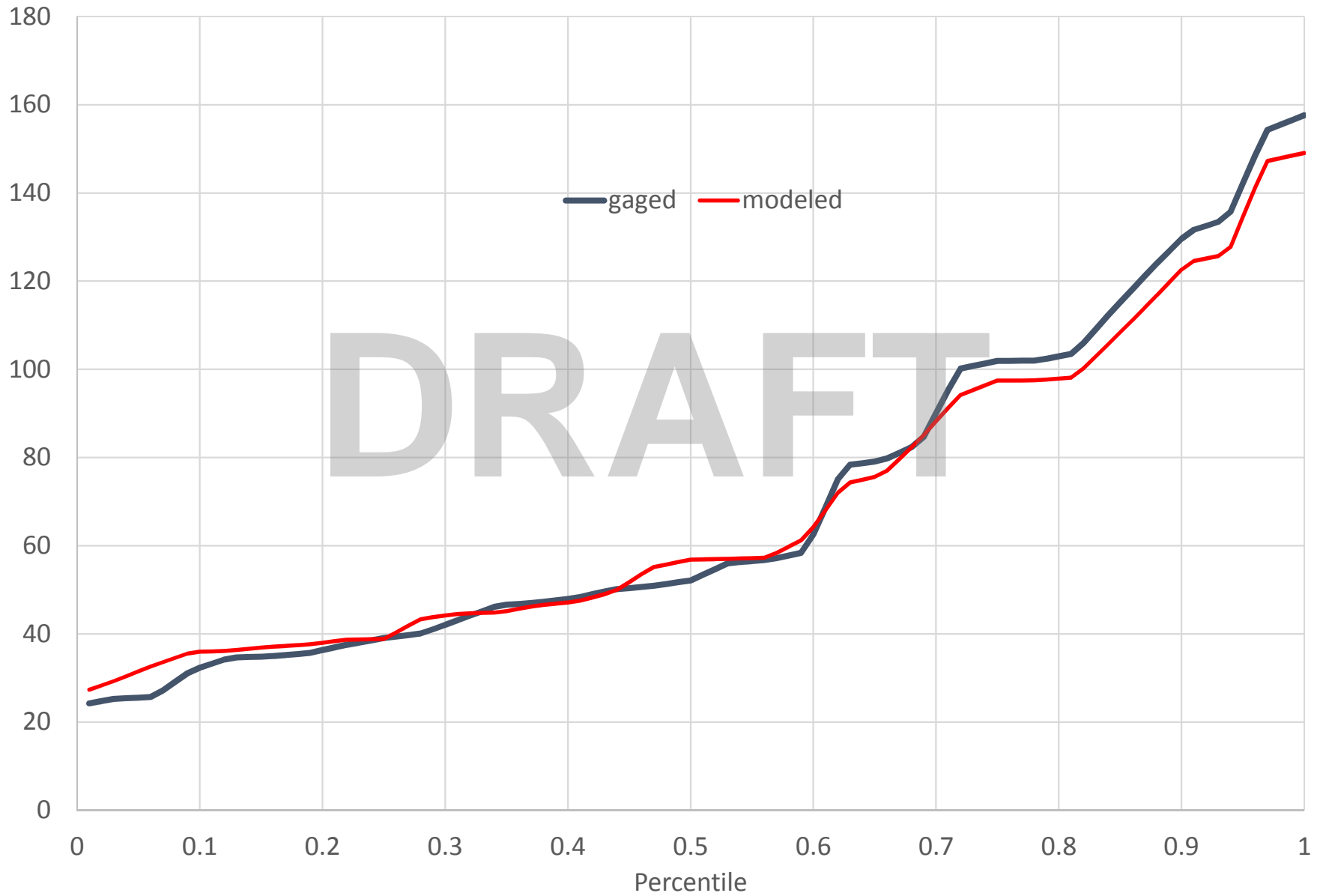
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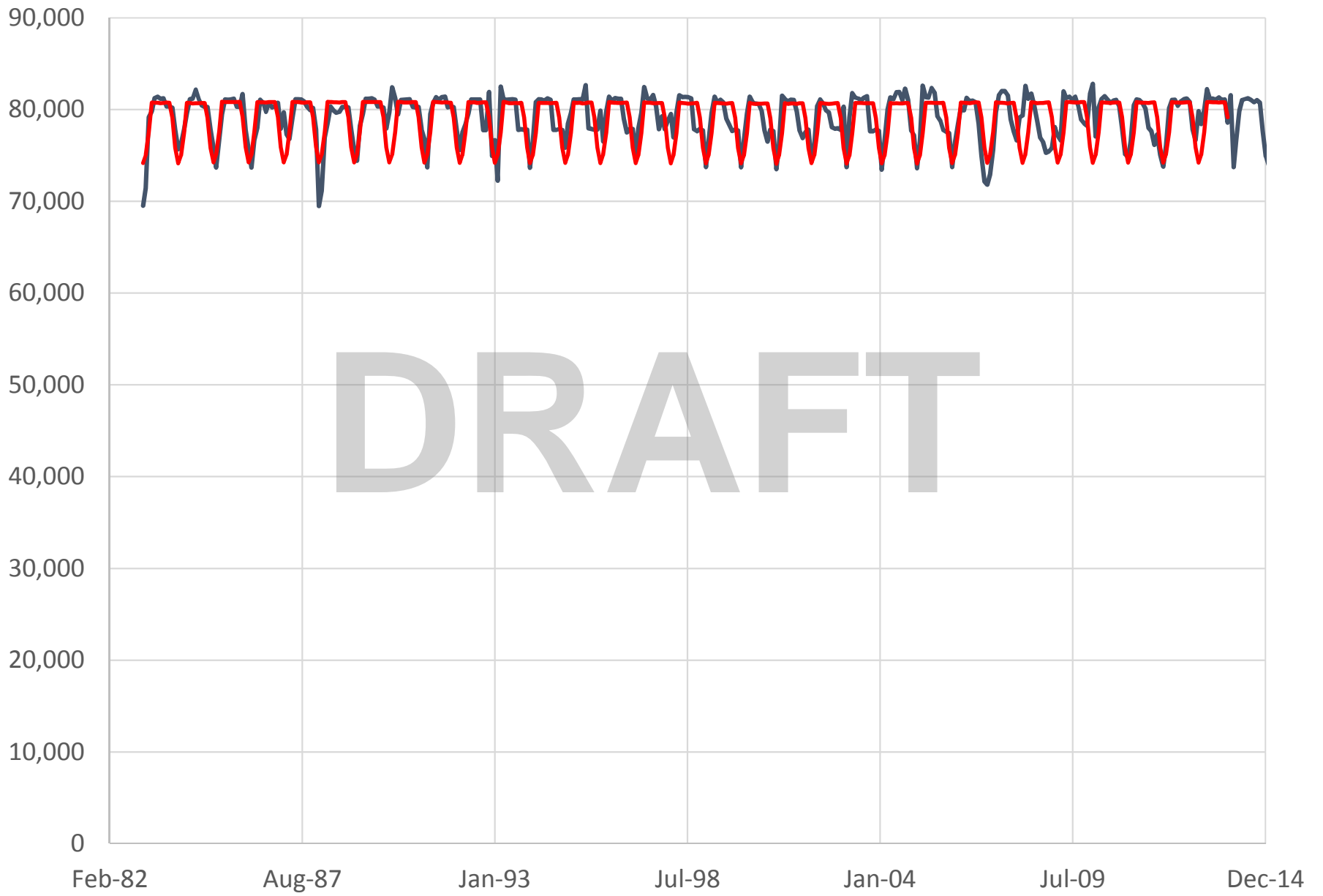
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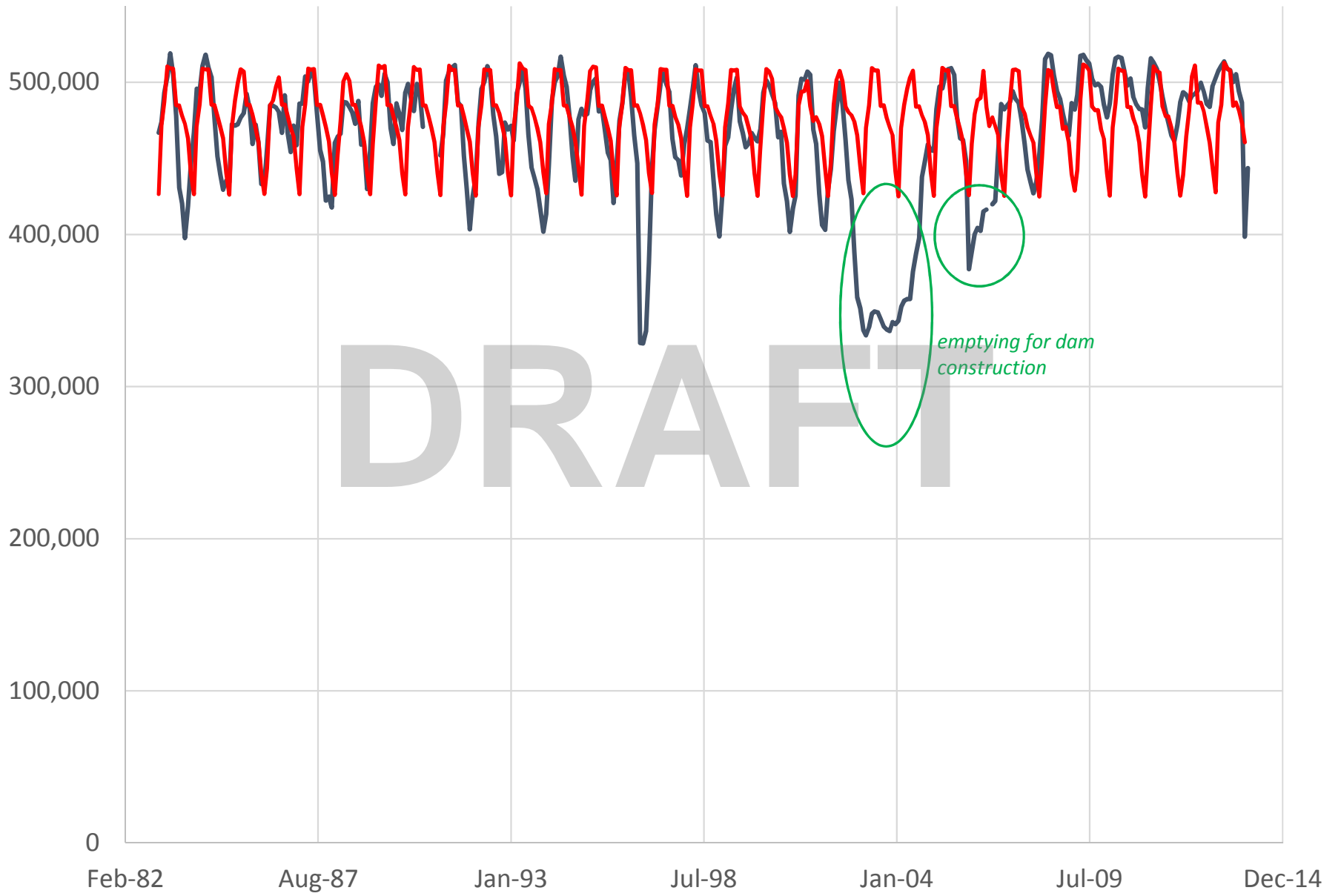
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Lake Greenwood Storage (MG)



Lake Murray Storage (MG)



North Saluda Reservoir Storage (MG)

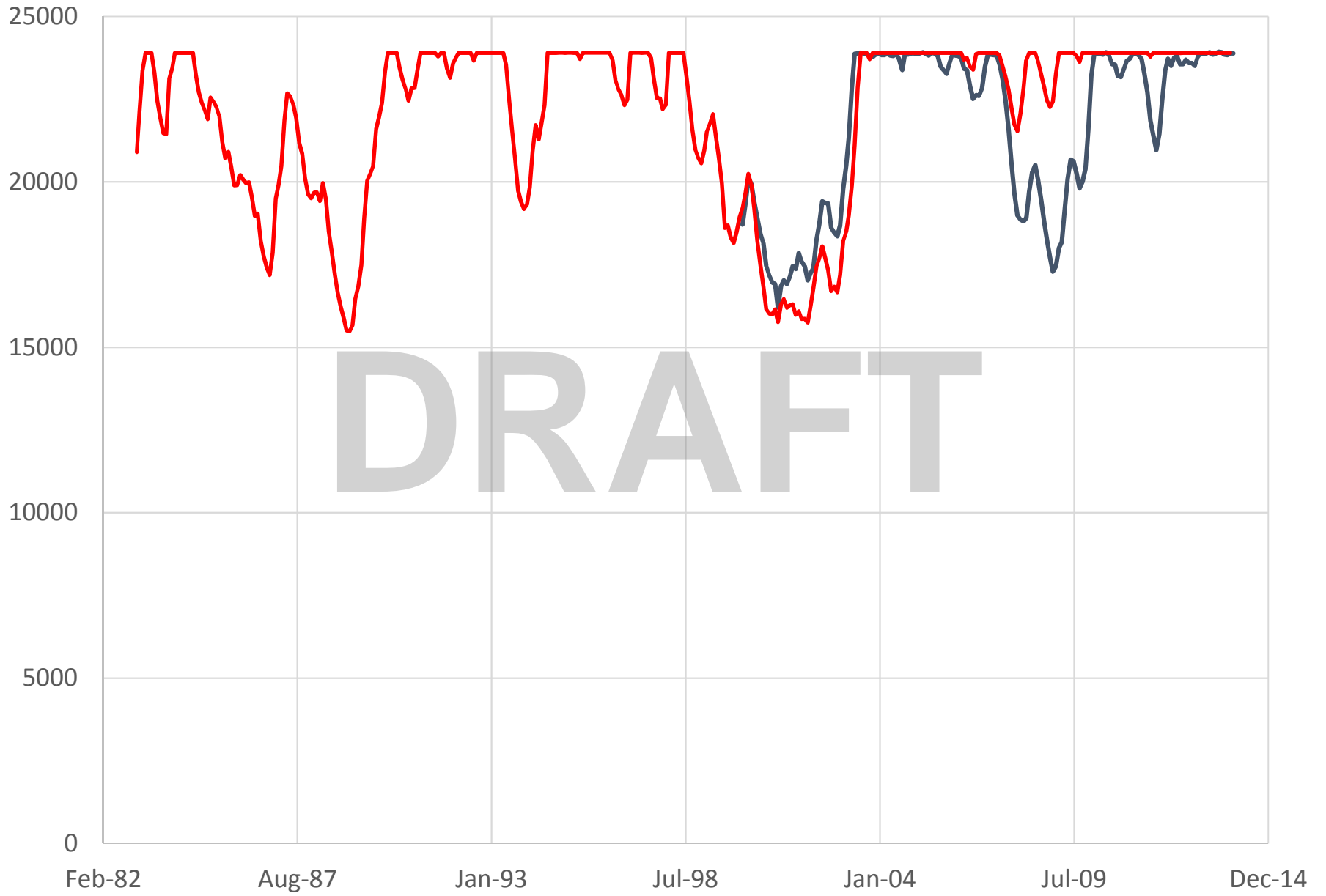
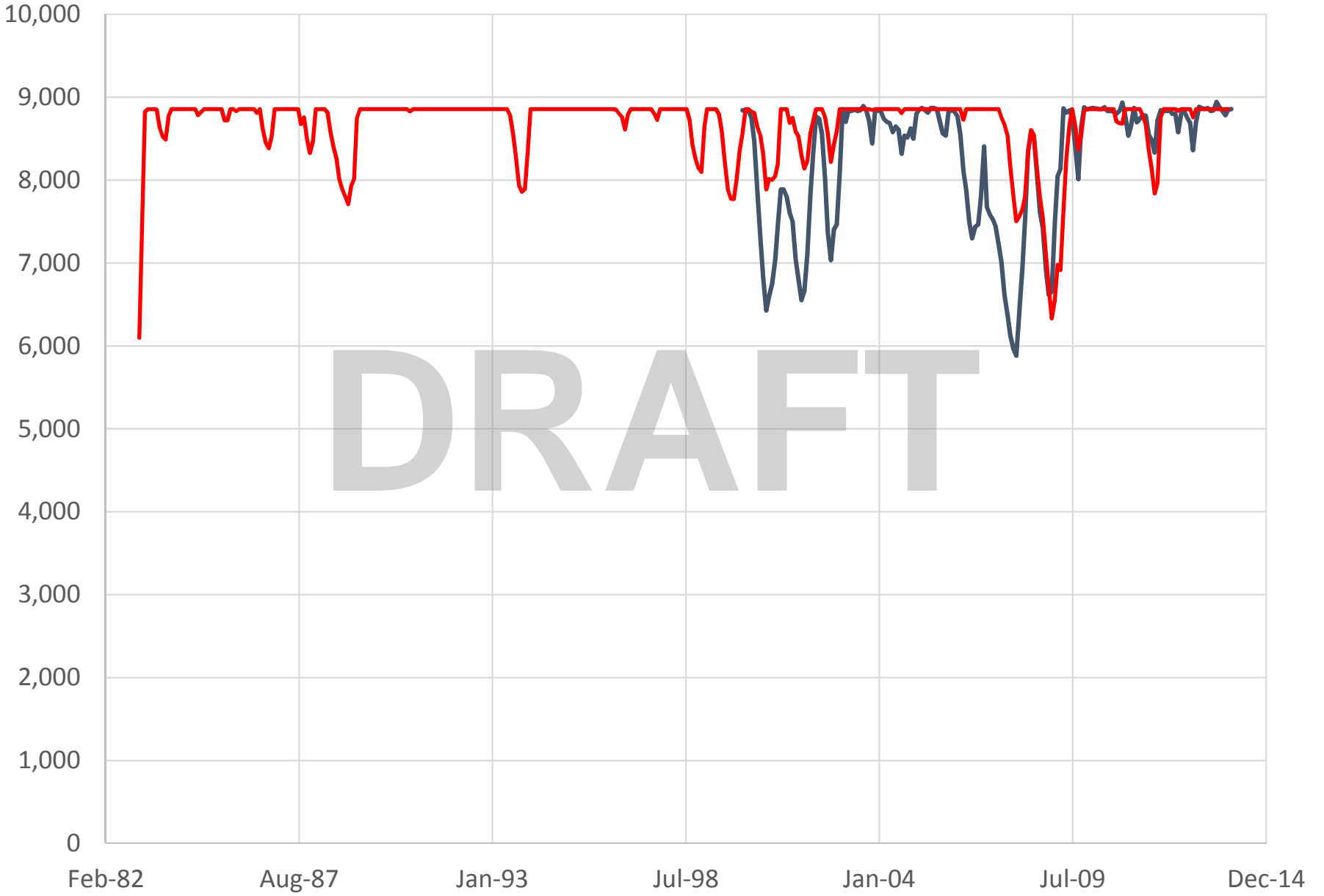
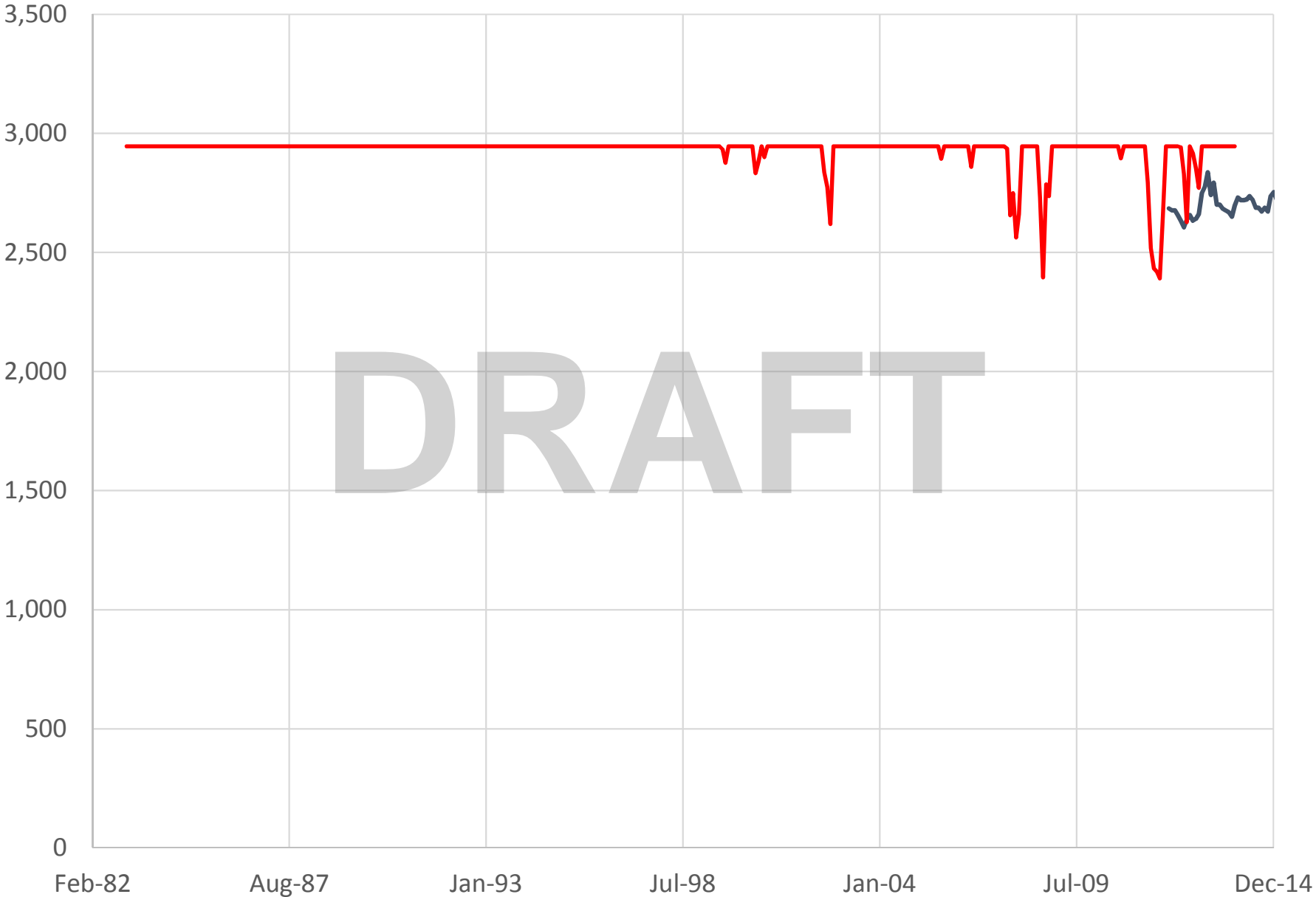


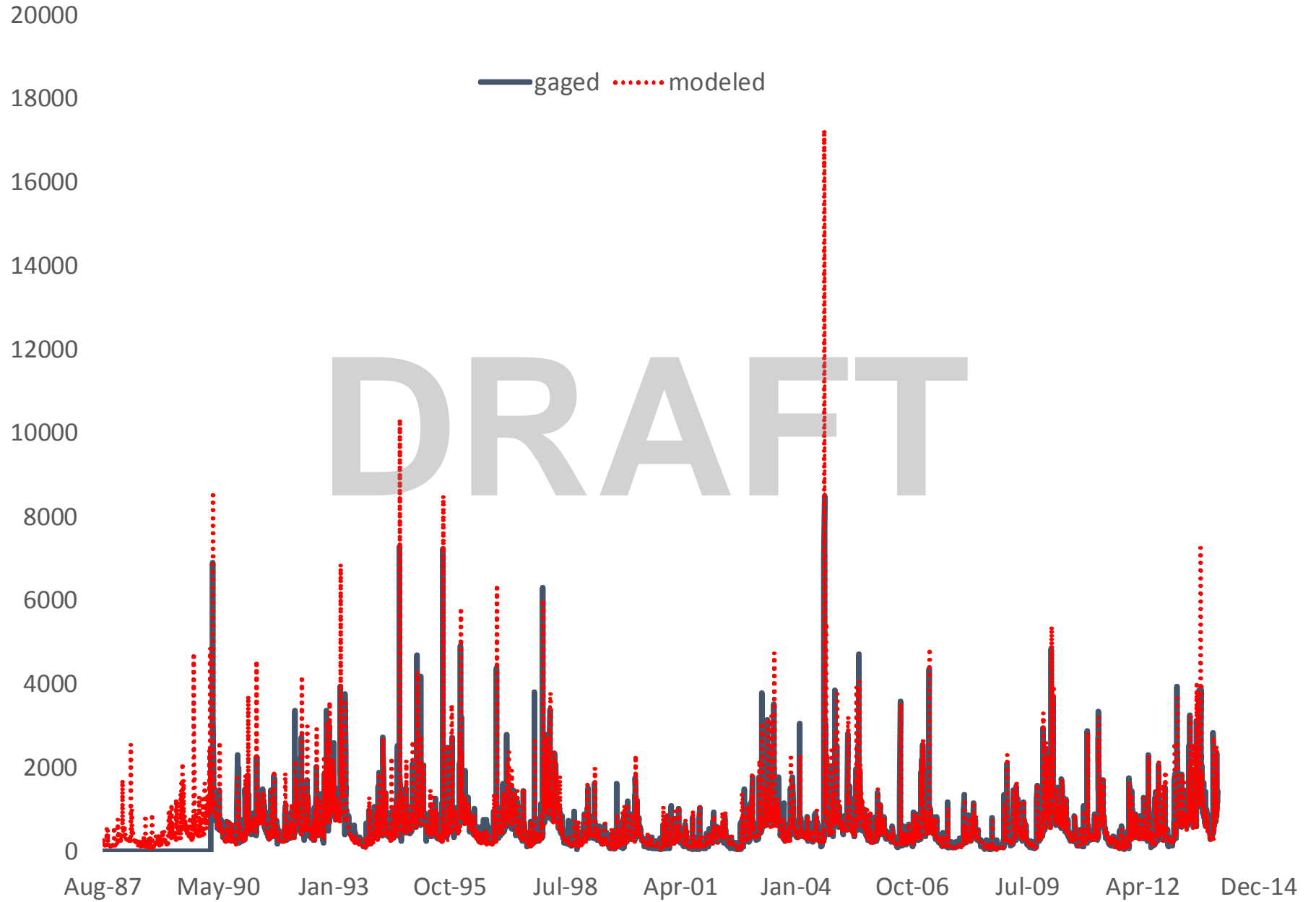
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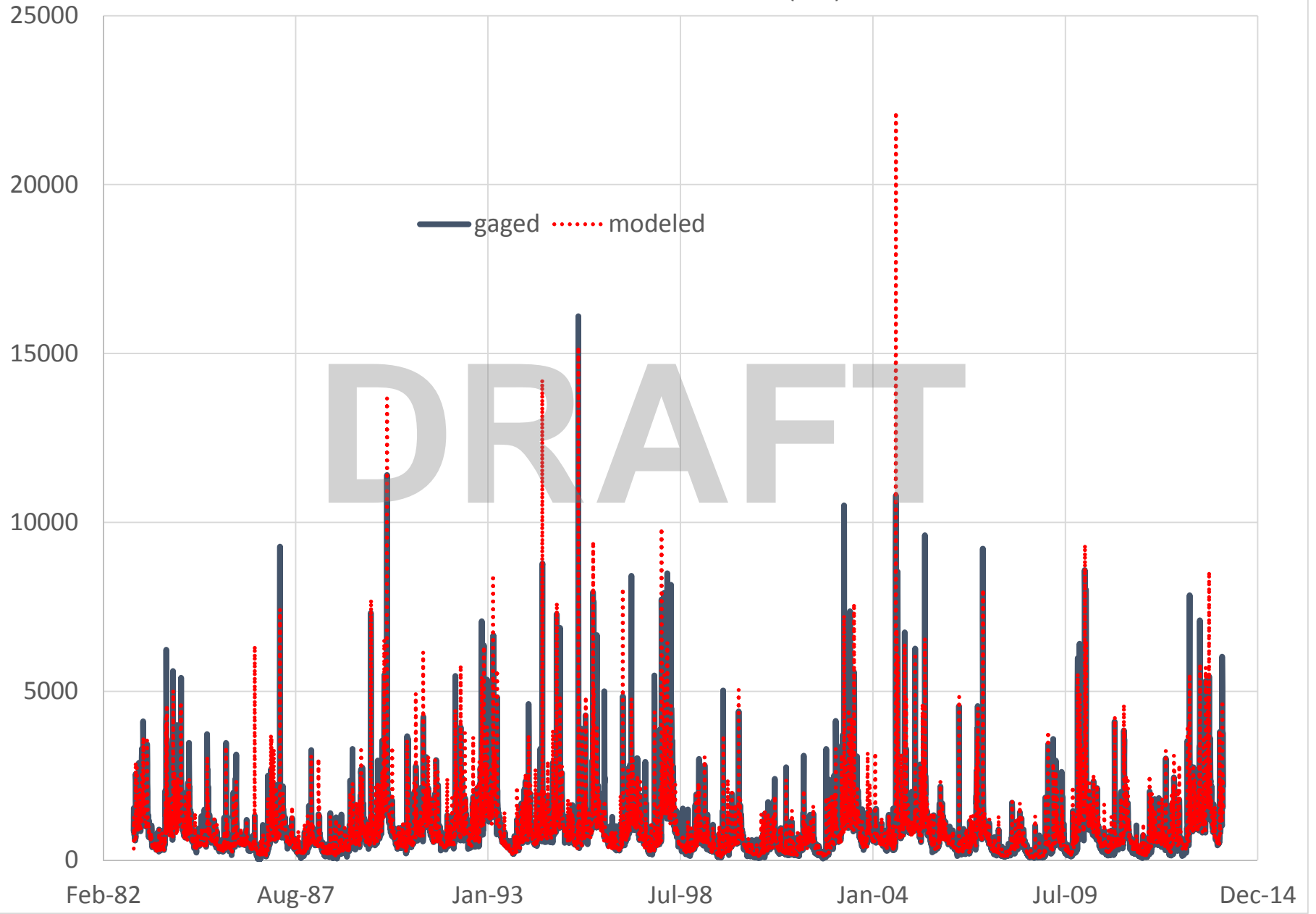
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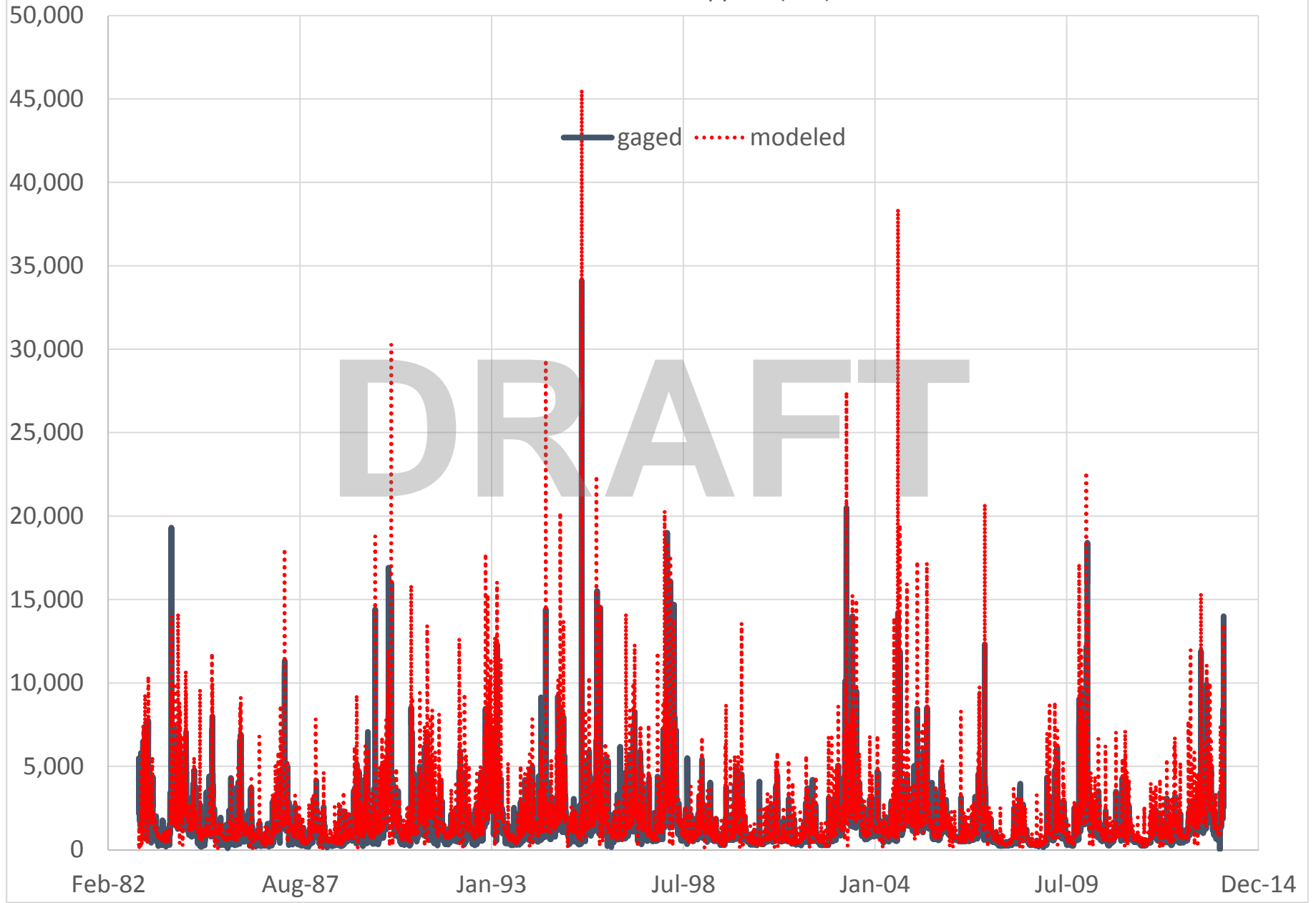
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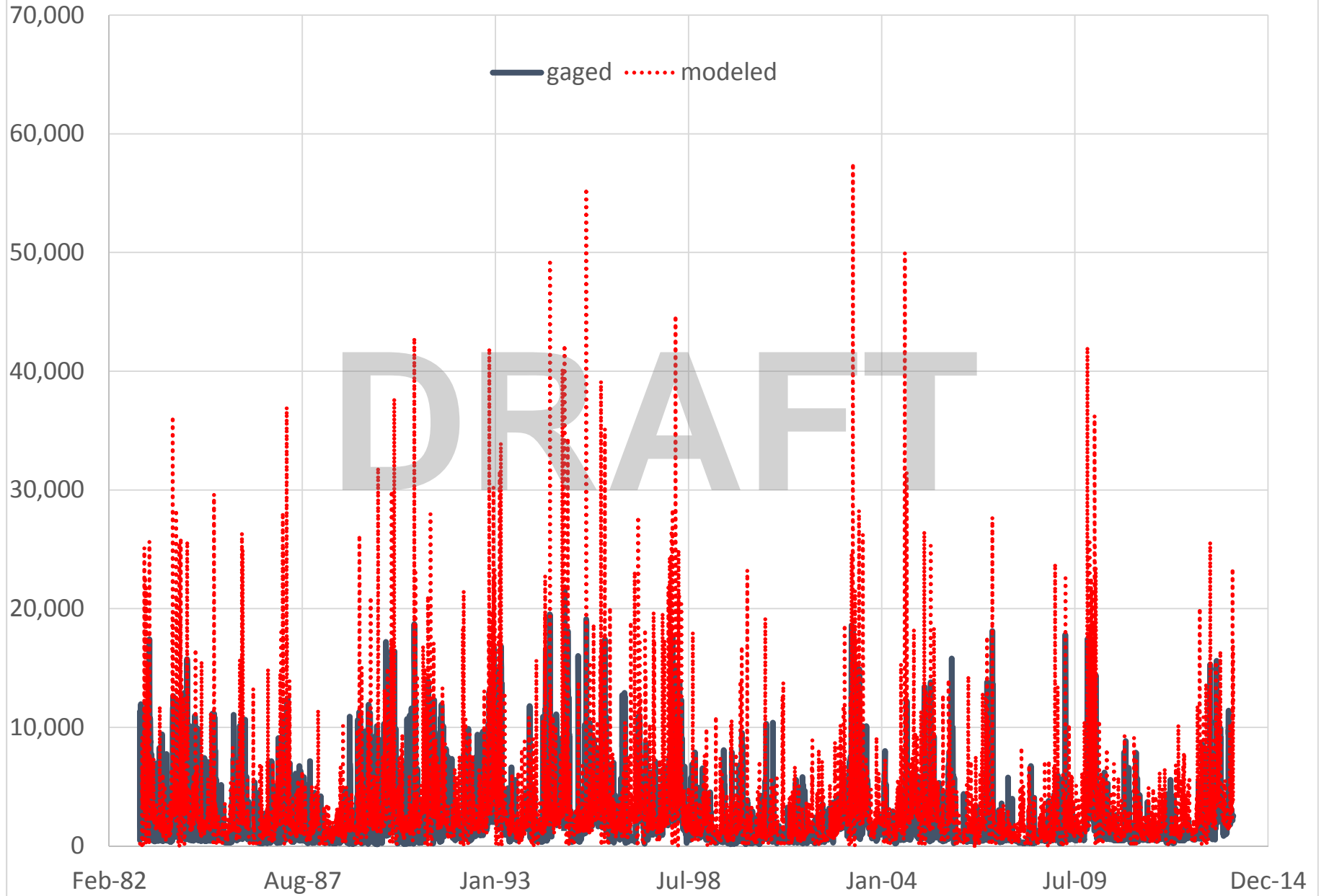
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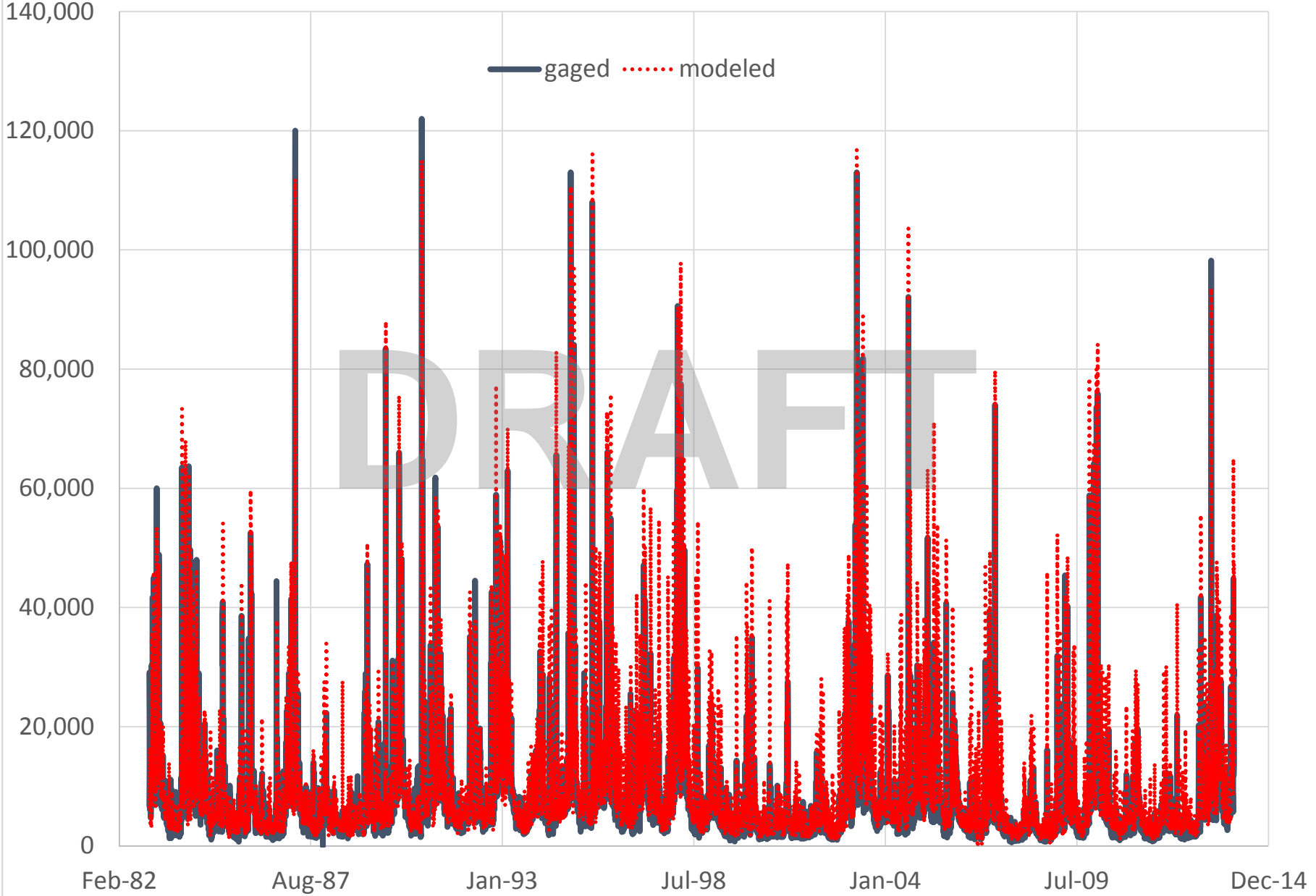
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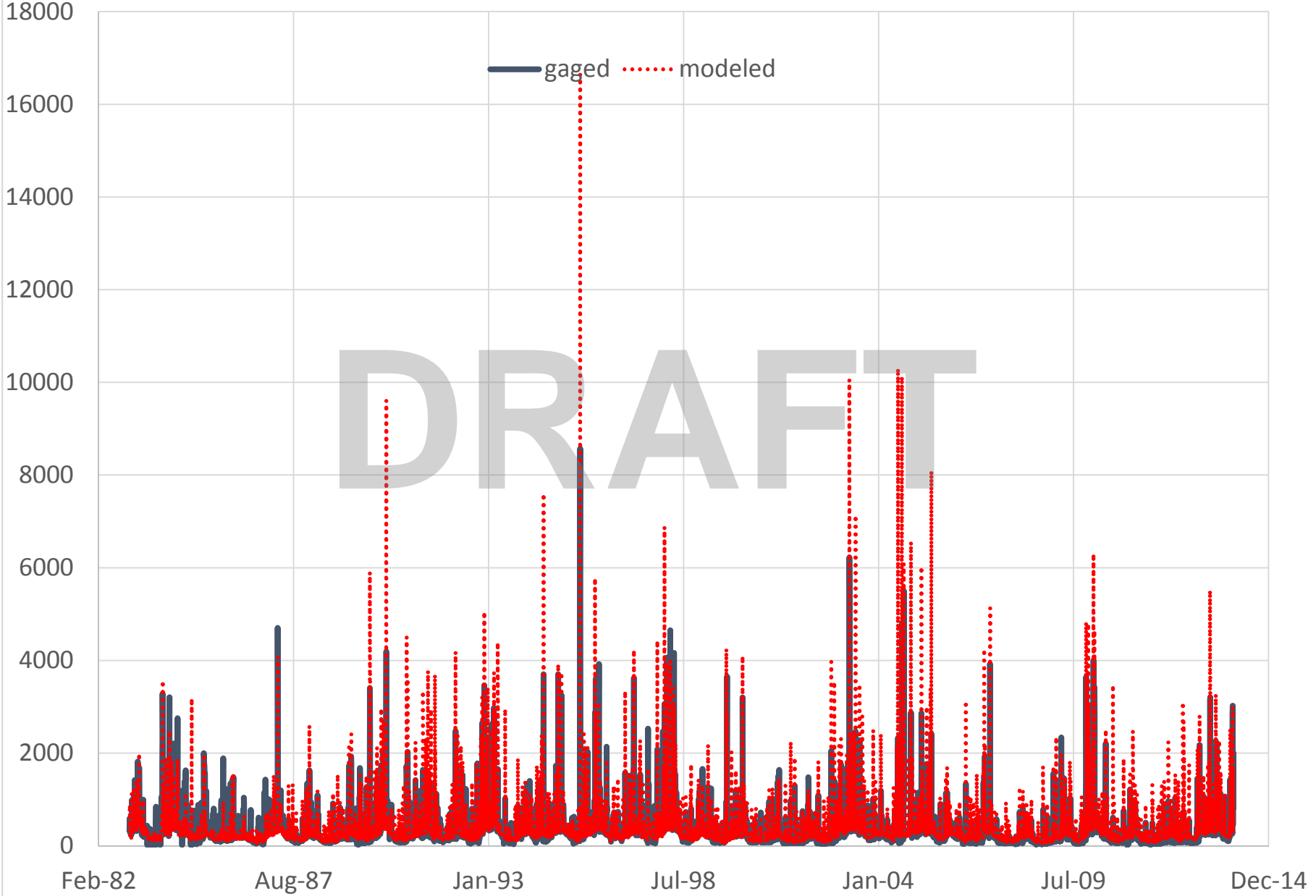
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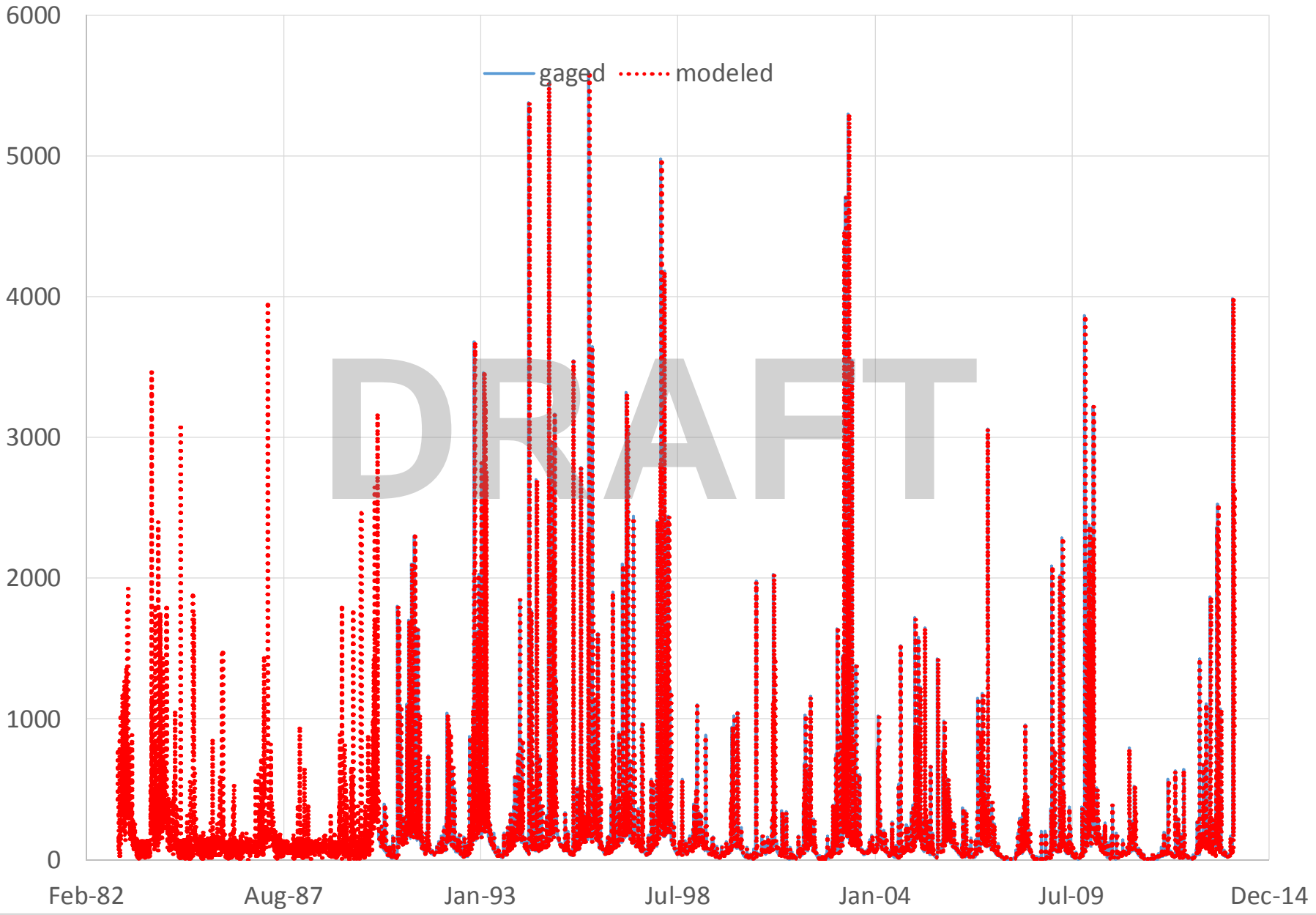
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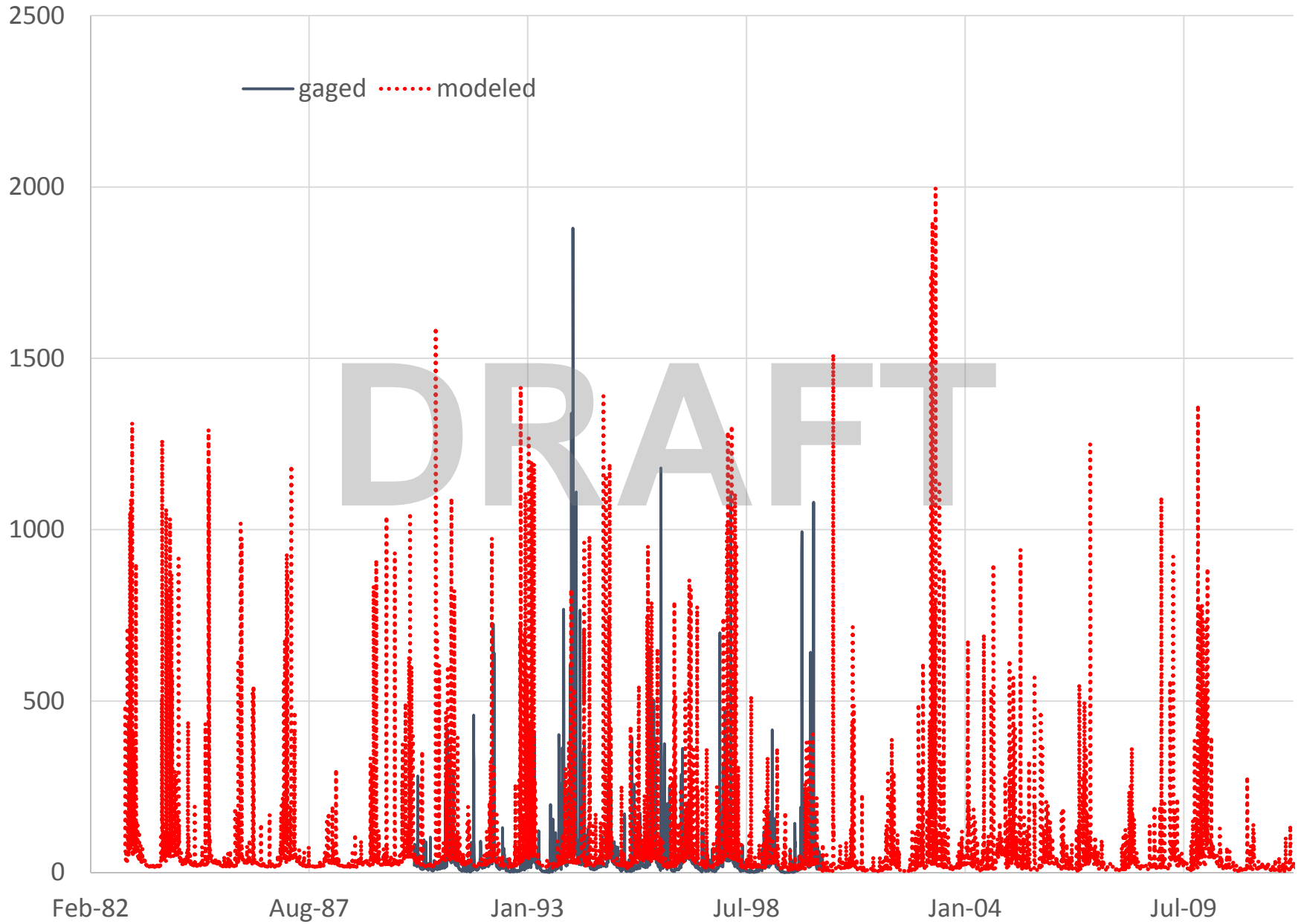
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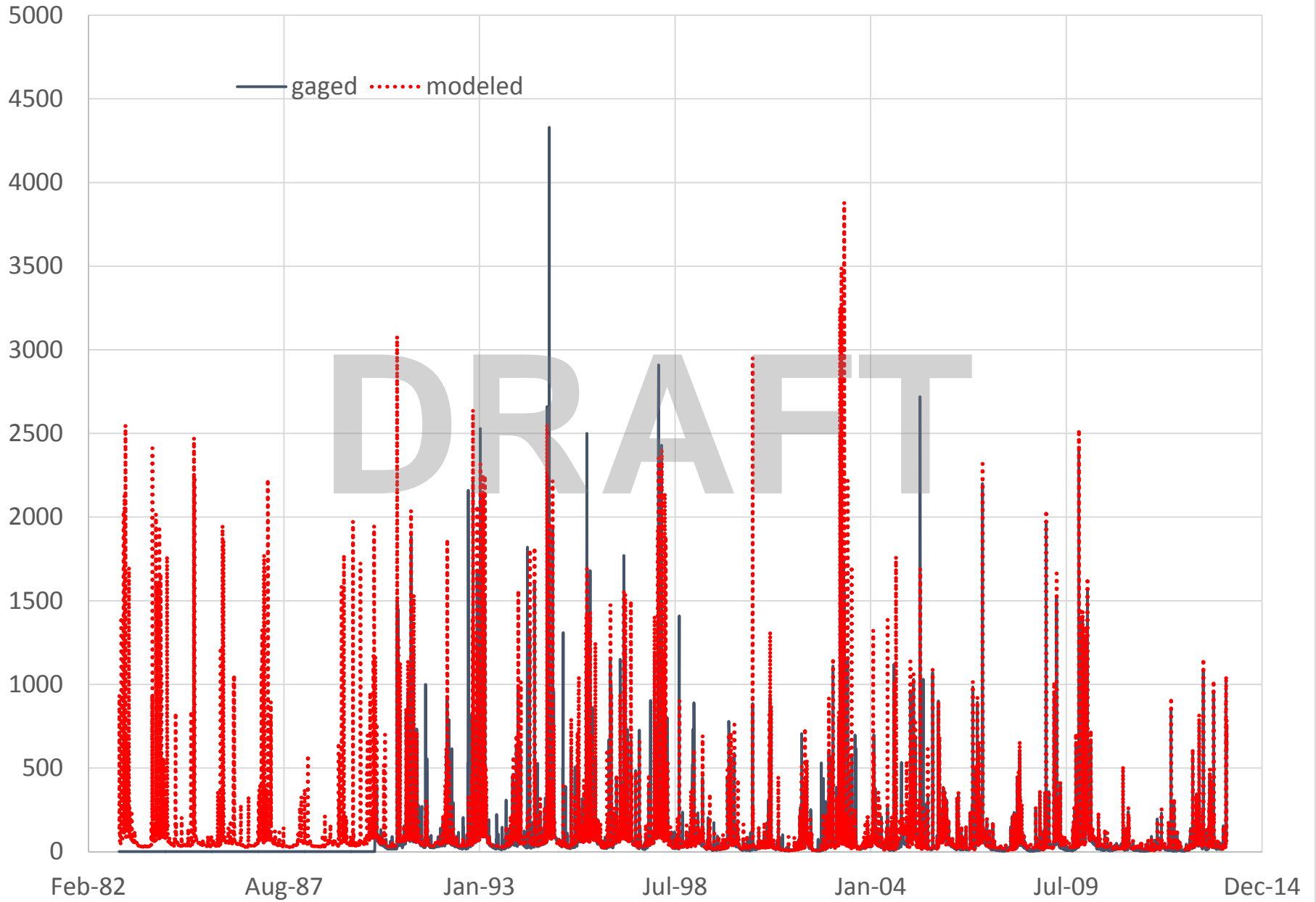
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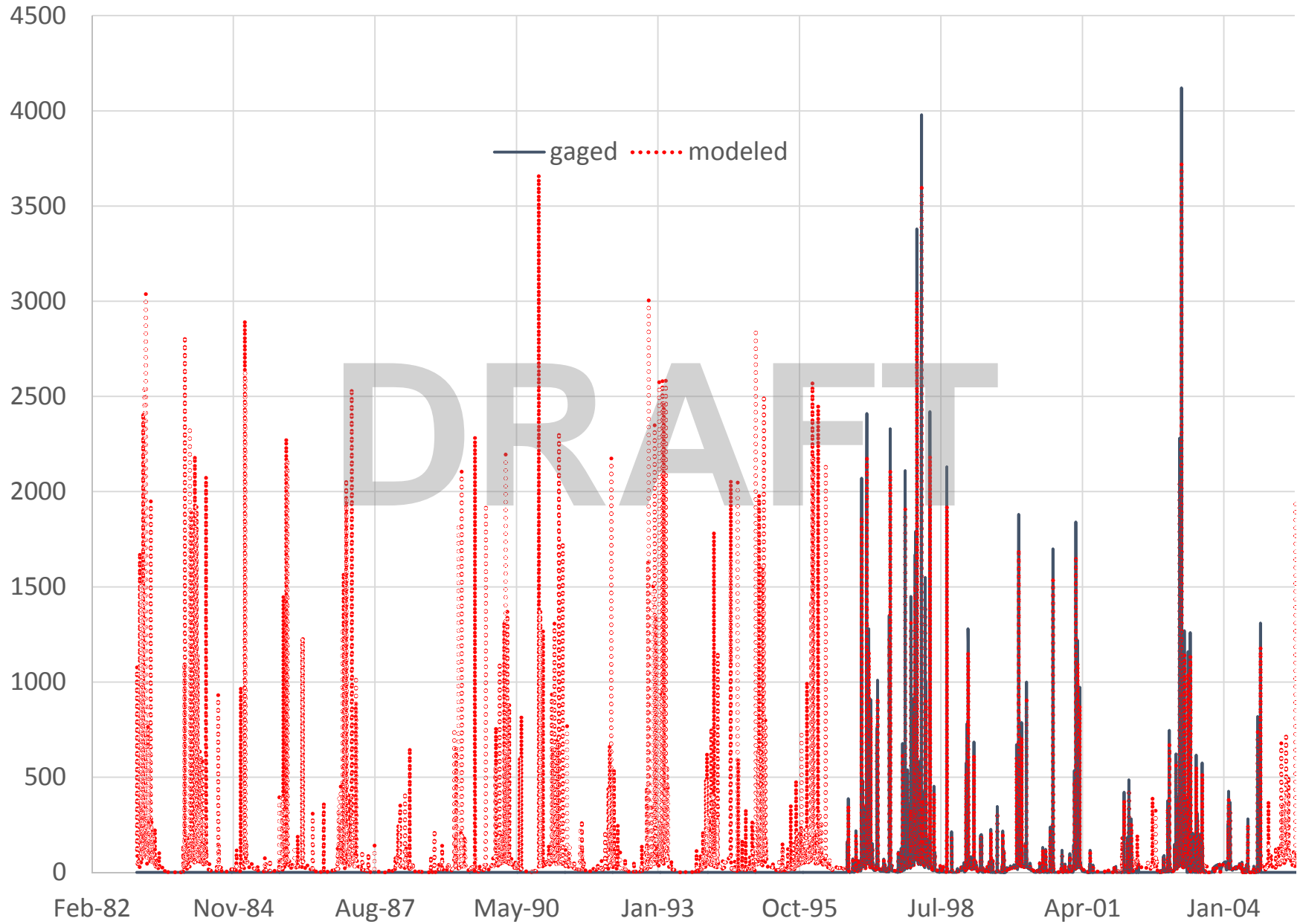
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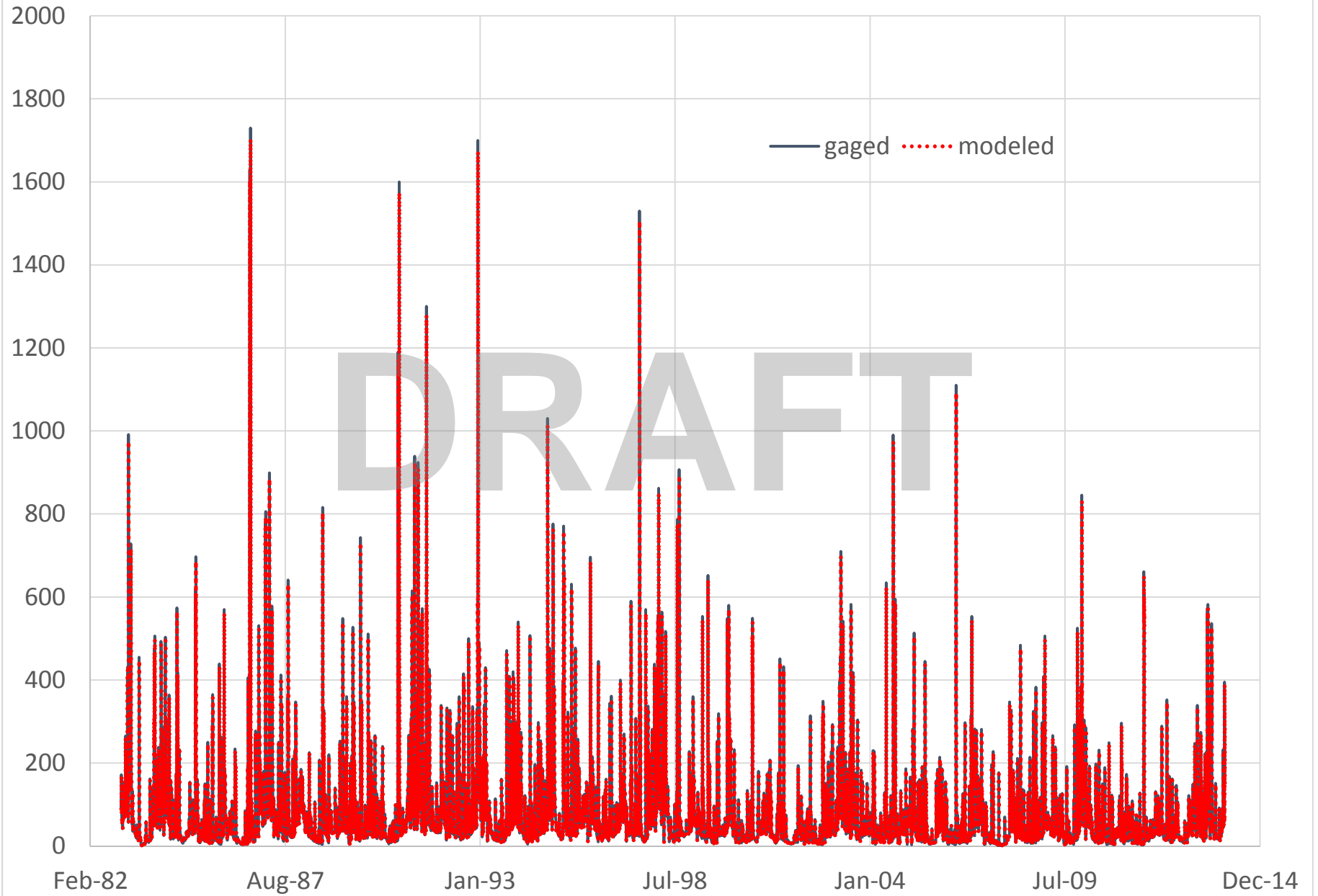
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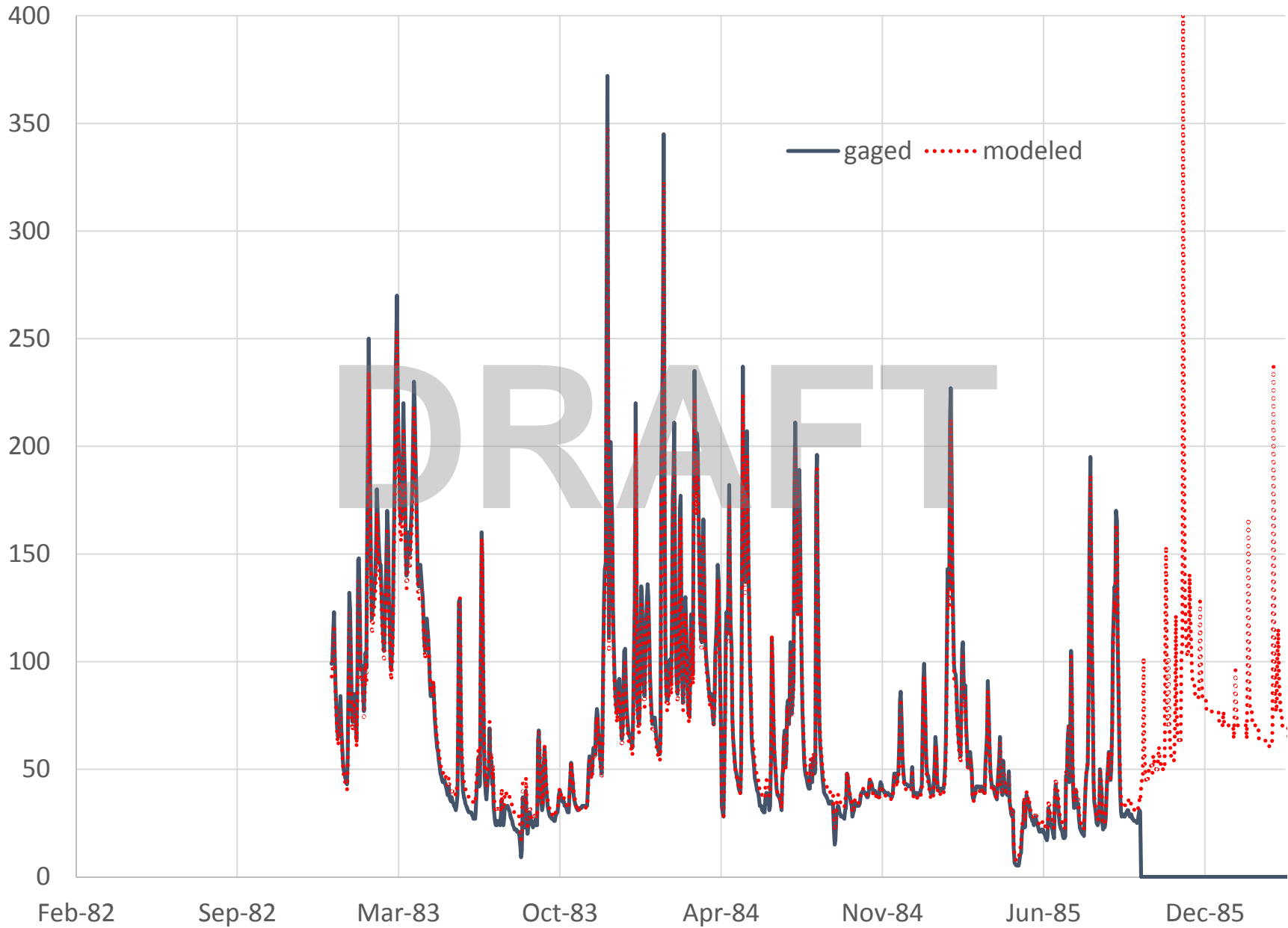
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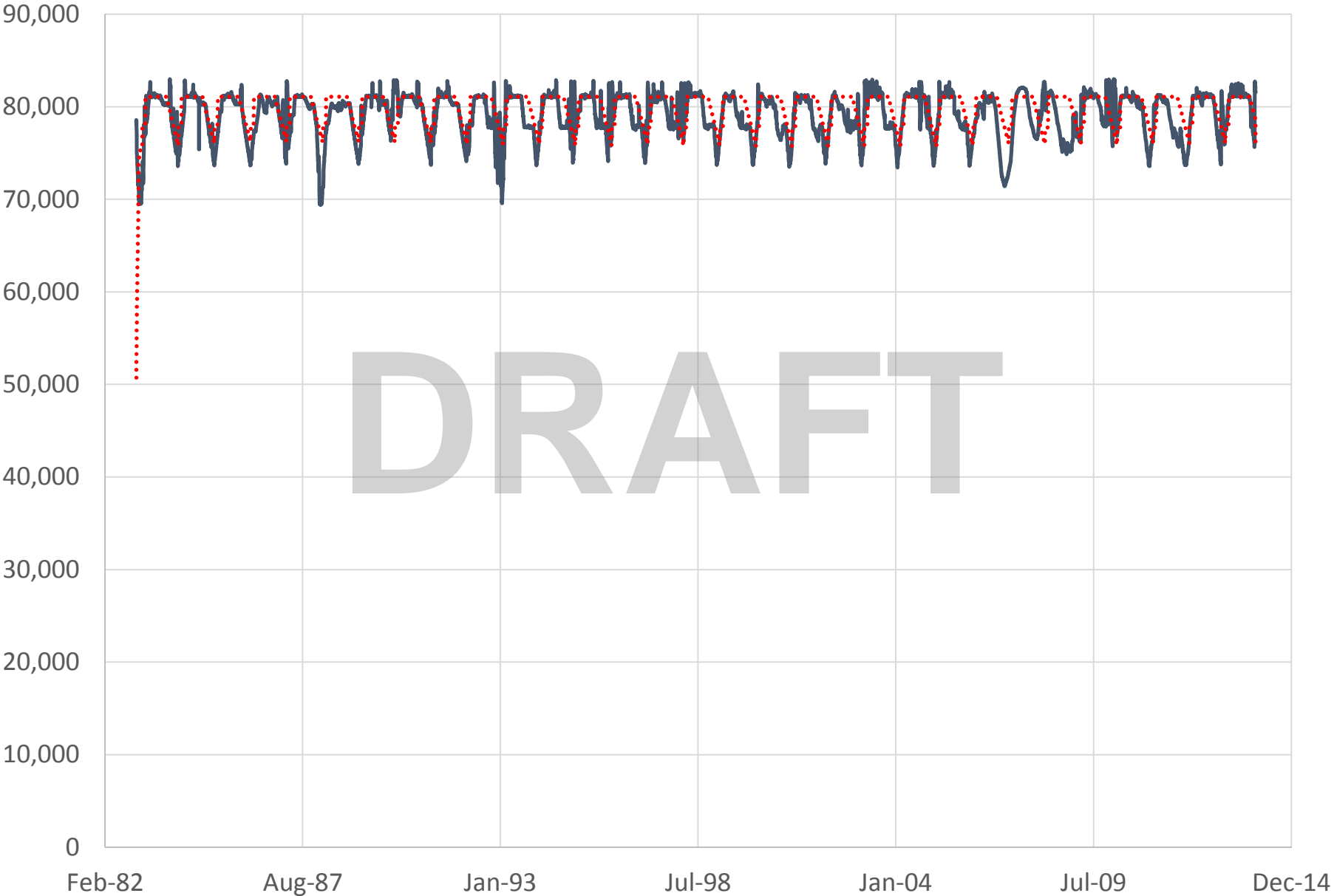
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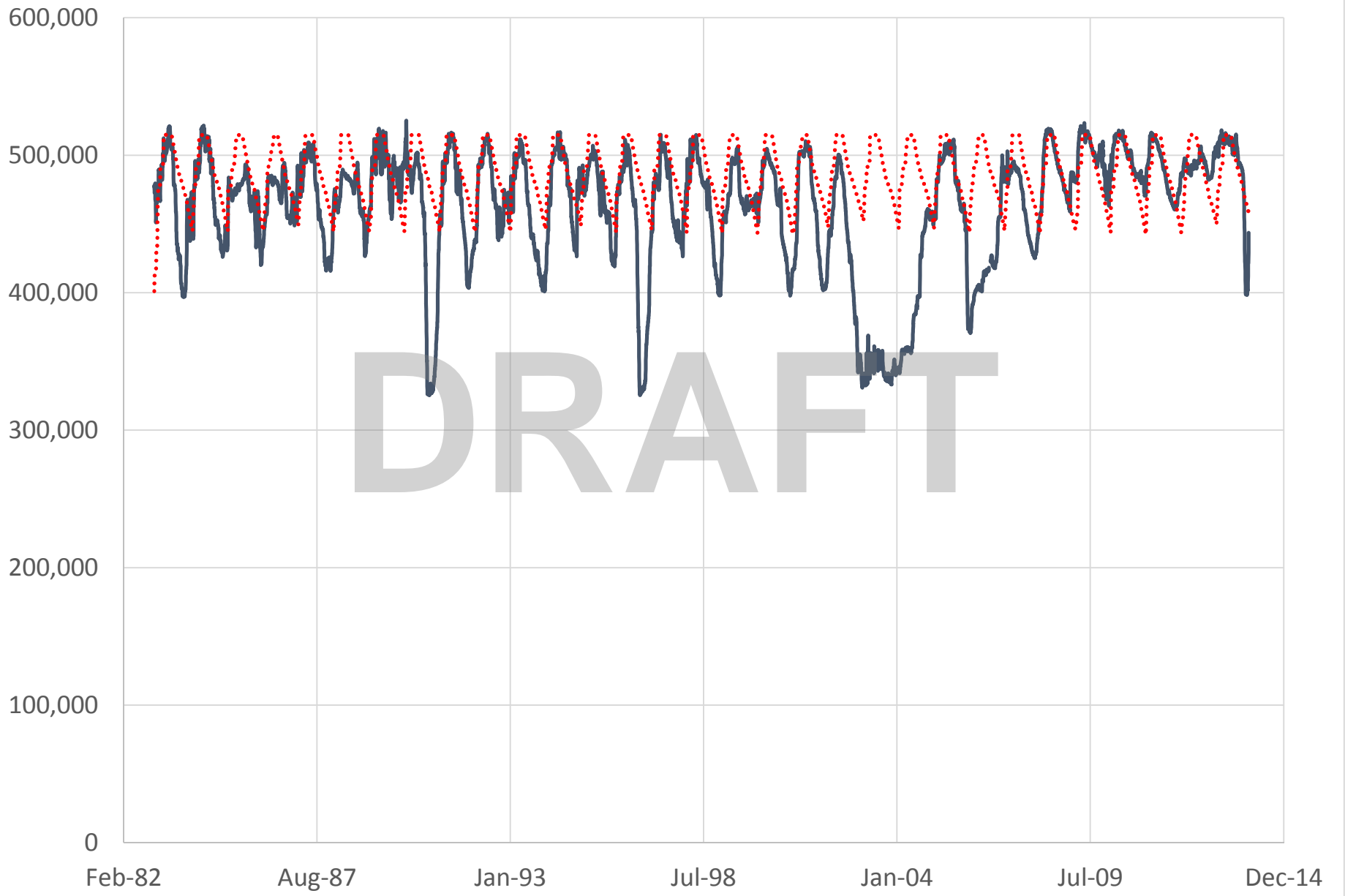
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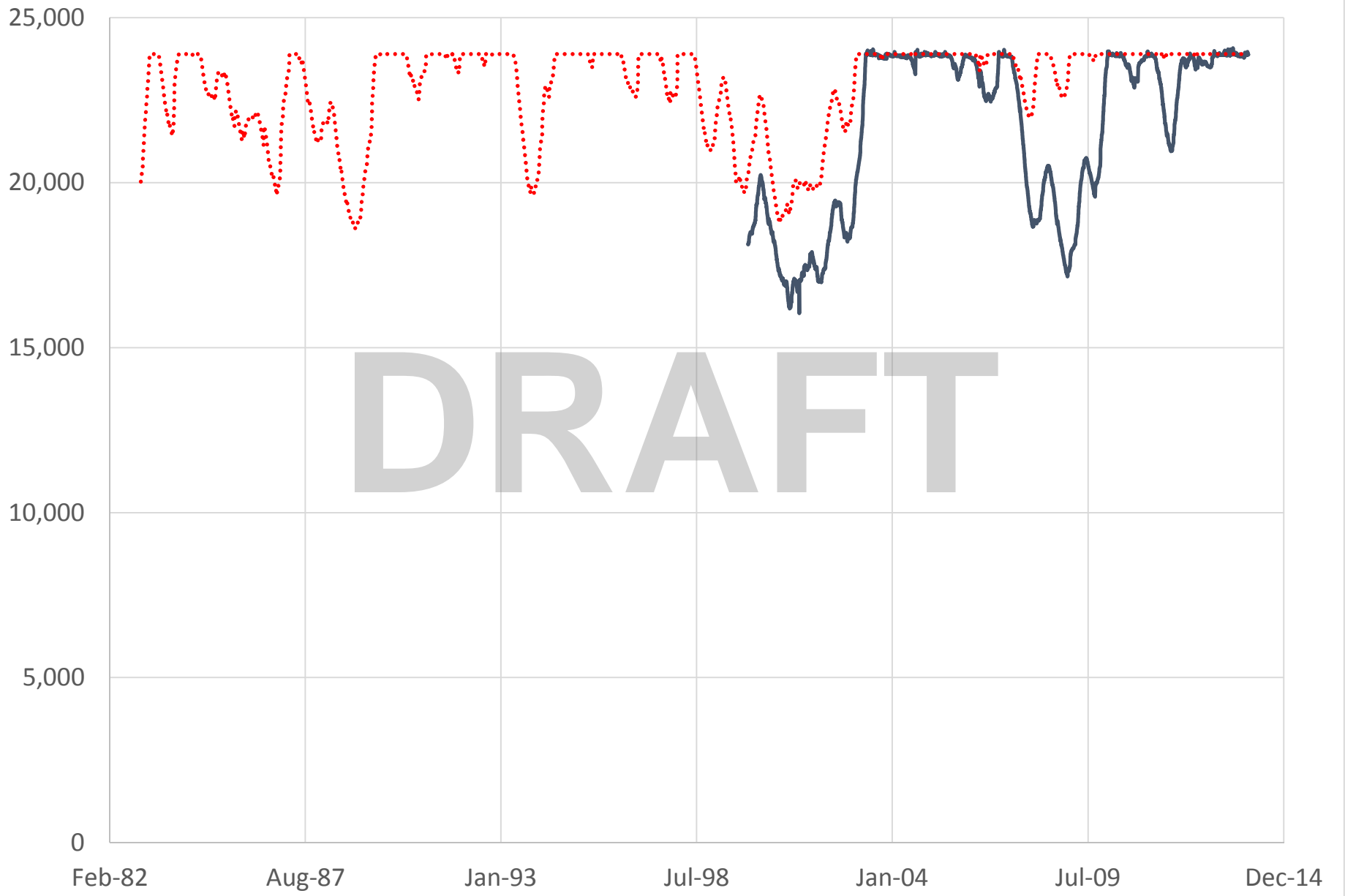
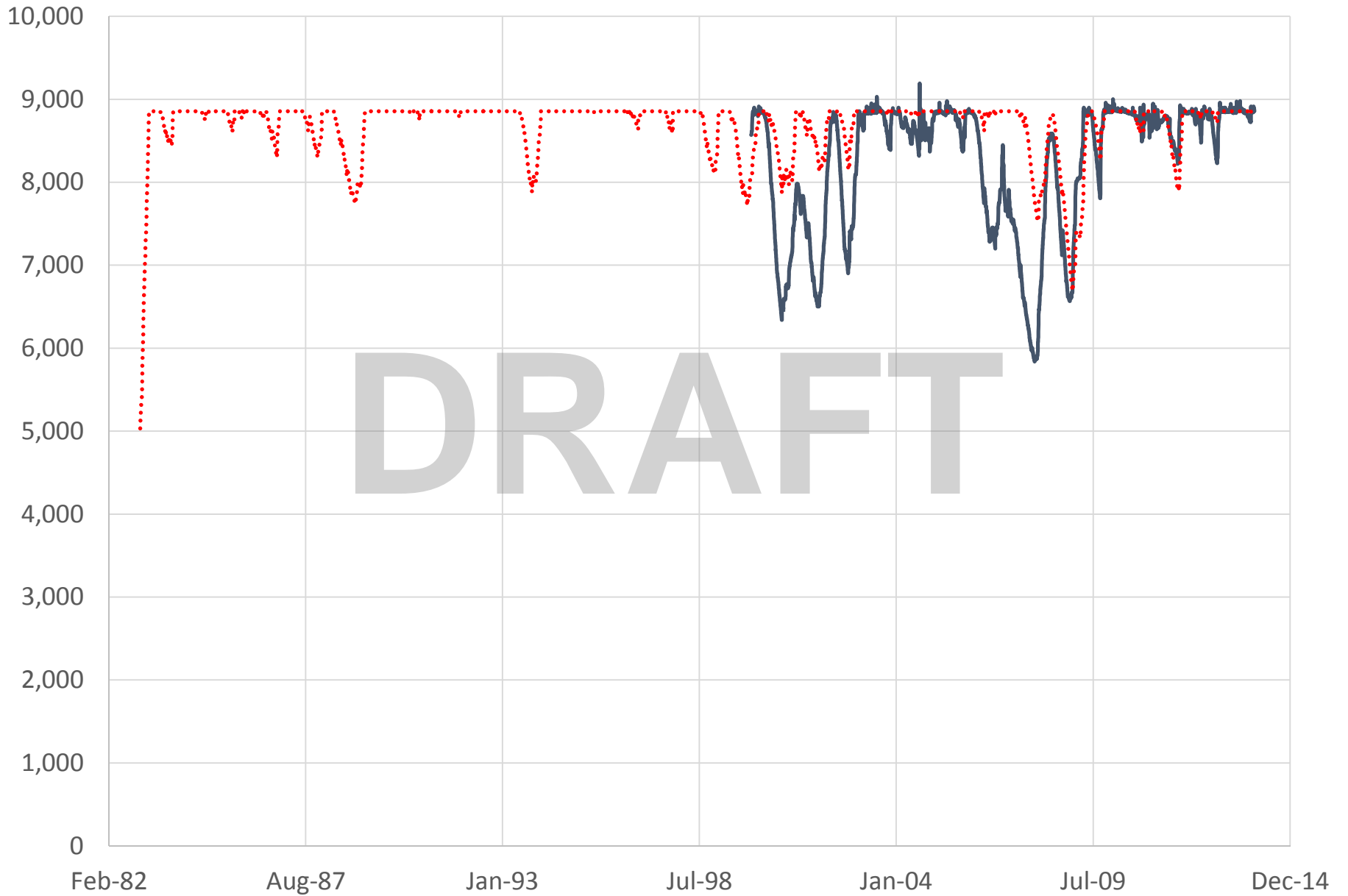
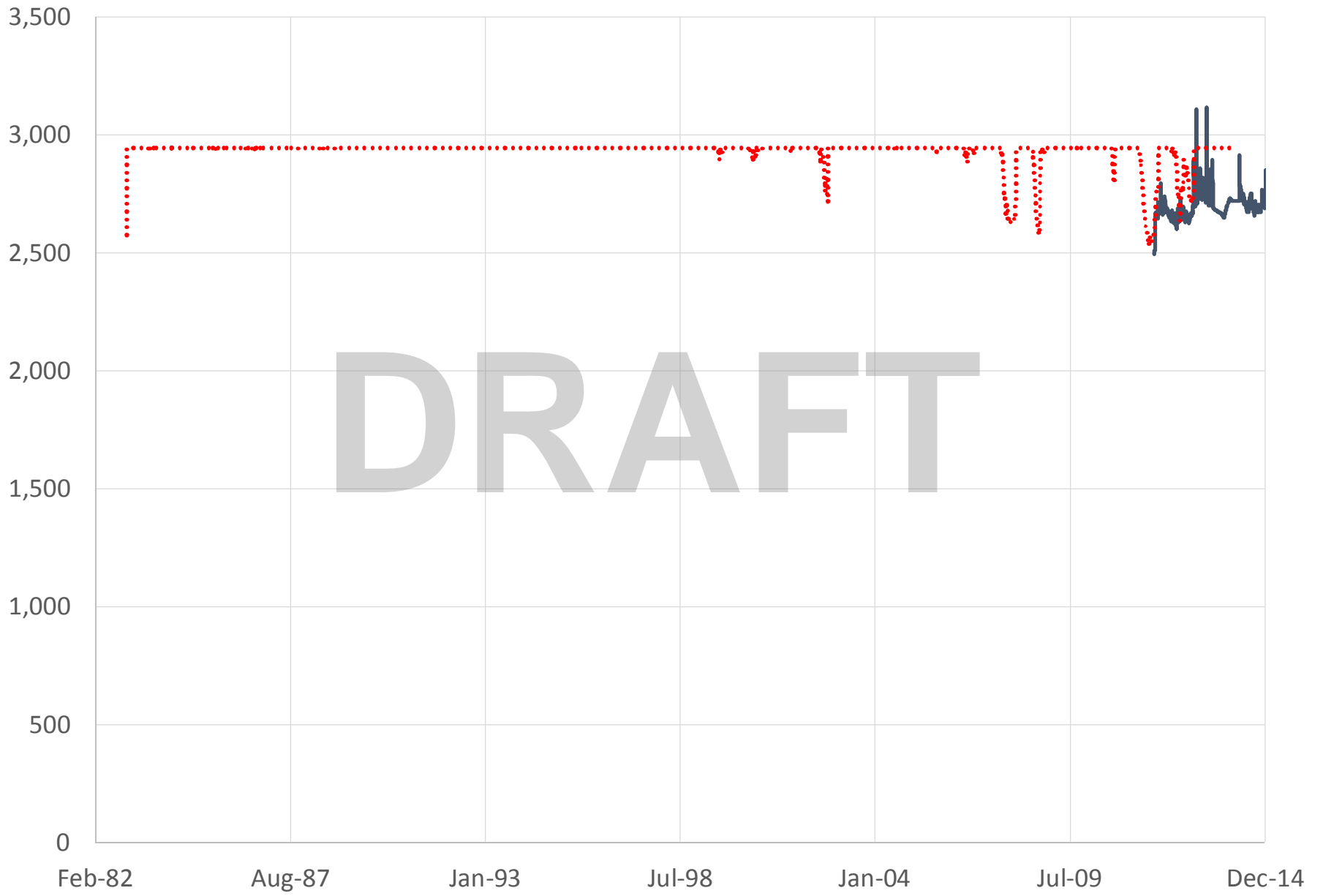


Table Rock Reservoir Storage (MG)



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