# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Carrathool\_(A) NSW

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

Land use forest cover:

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

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

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

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

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

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

Comparison with previous years:

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

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

### **Erosion protection**

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

### Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

Each time series is also stacked by year. The black line shows the current year of data. Water erosion protection for higher rainfall and steeper slopes:

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

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

### **Acknowledgment of data:**

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

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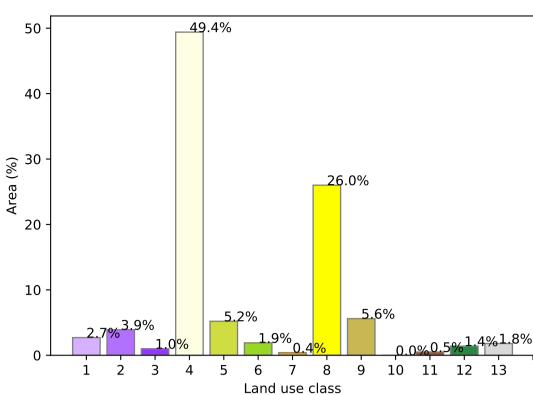


**Date: September 2021** 

# **Vegetation Cover Sep 2021**

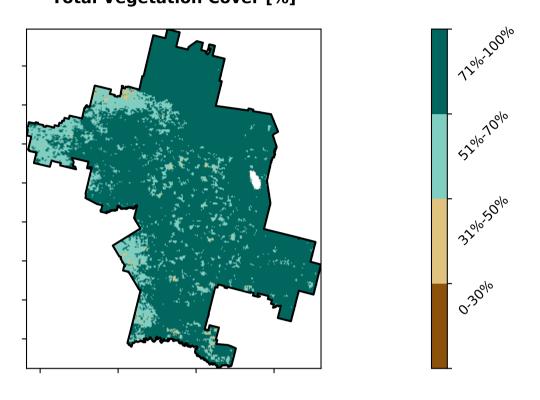
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### Legend with land class forest cover and number, i.e. Forests is 12 1 Conservation and natural environments - Non-forest 2 Conservation and natural environments - Woodland forest 3 Conservation and natural environments - Non-Woodland forest 4 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-forest 5 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest 6 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest 7 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 8 Agriculture - Cropping - Non-irrigated 9 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated 10 Agriculture - Horticulture - Non-irrigated 11 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated 12 Production native forests and plantation forests 13 Other uses

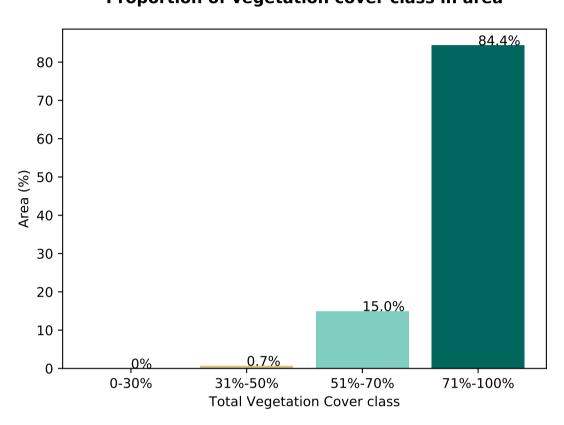


Proportion of each land class in area

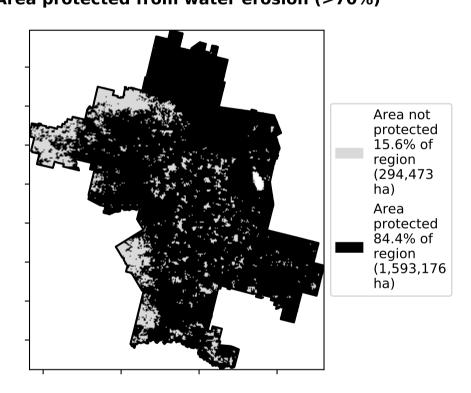
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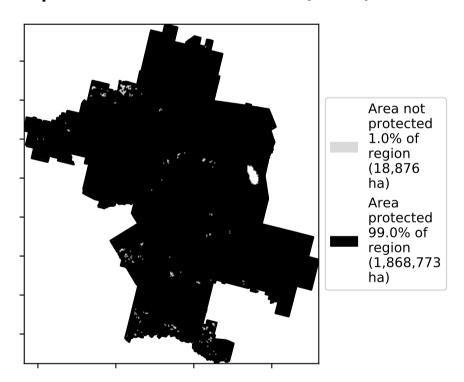
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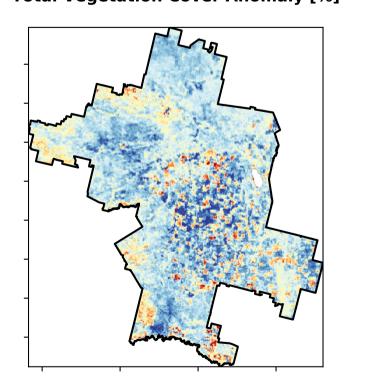
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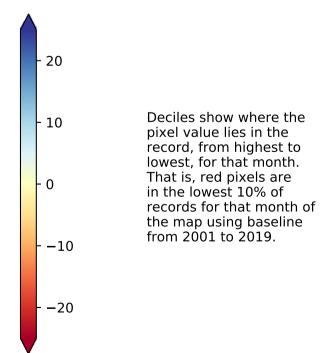


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

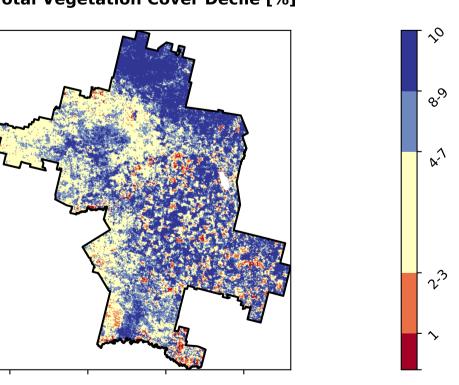


### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**





**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 











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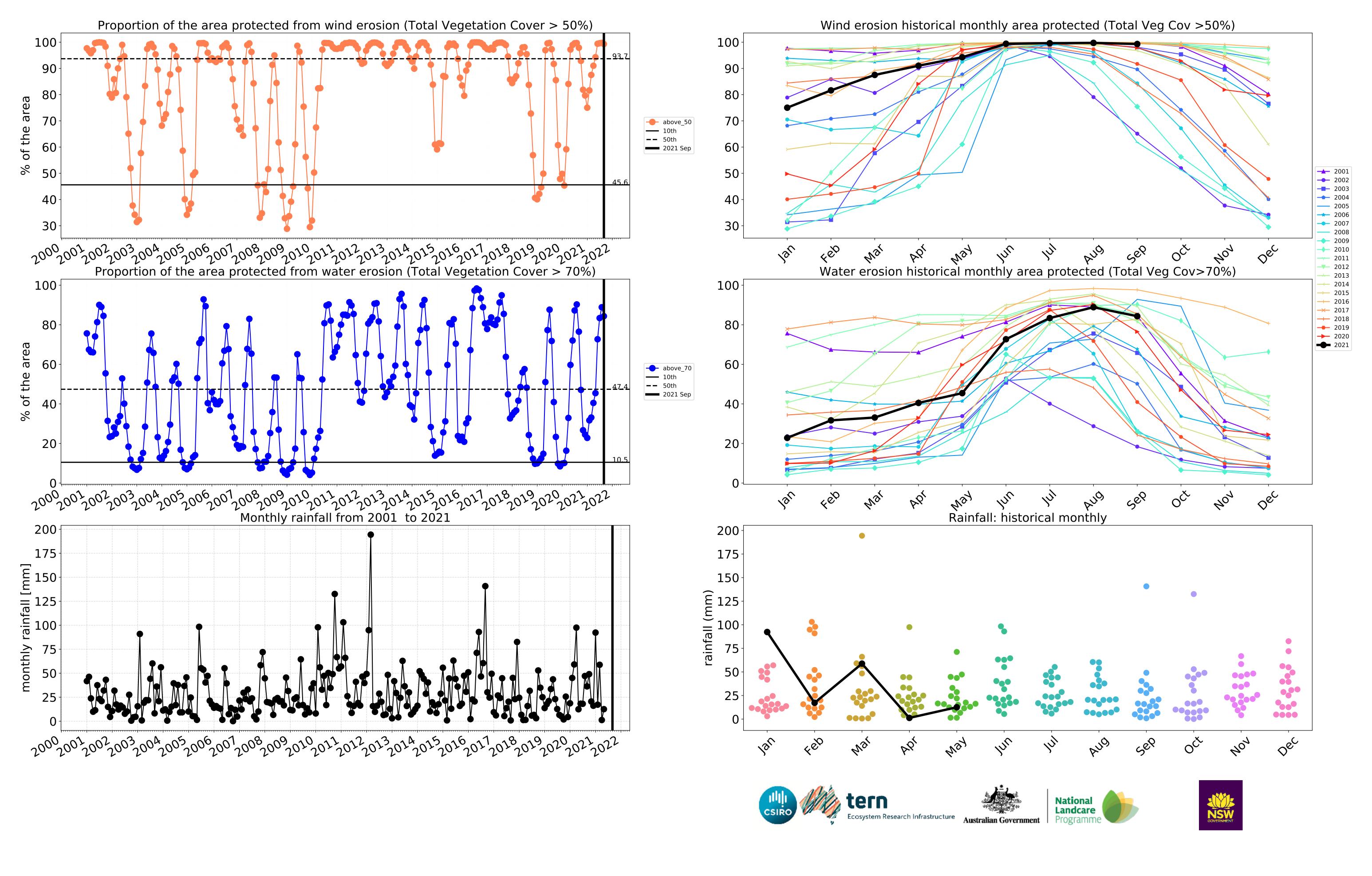
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### **Conservation and natural environments**

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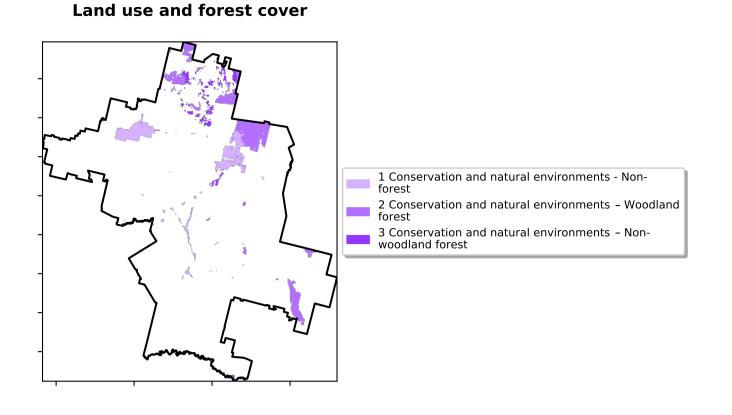
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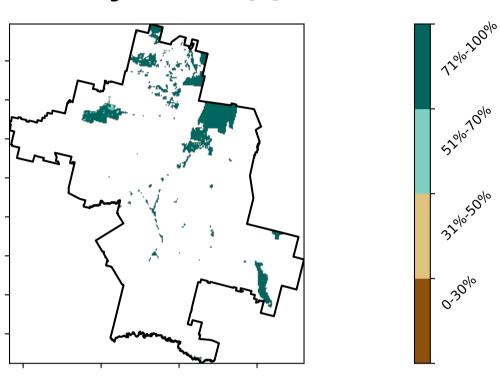
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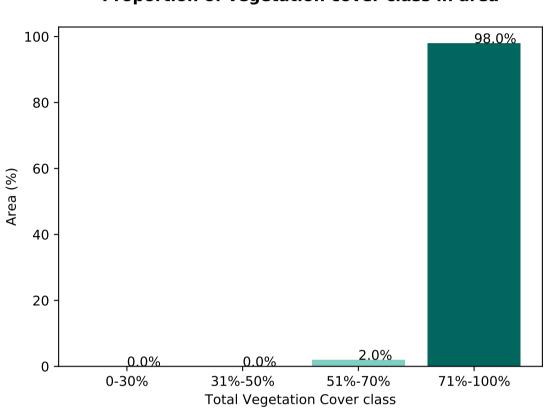
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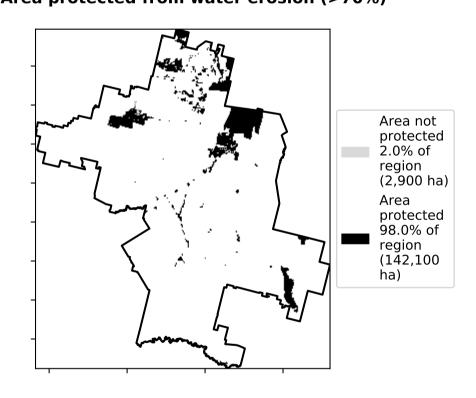




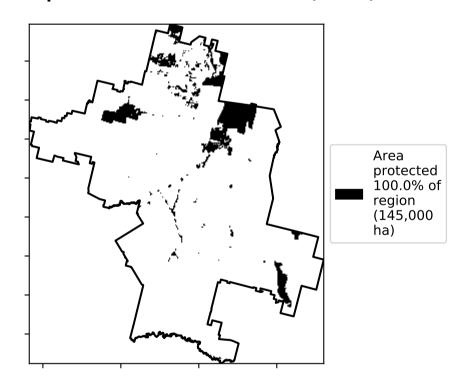
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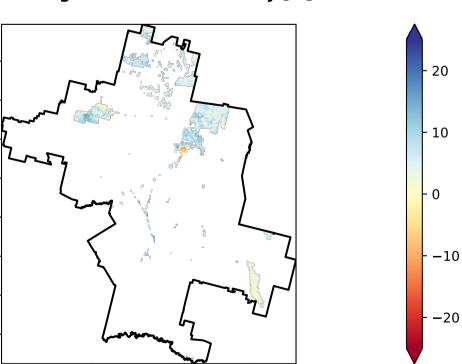
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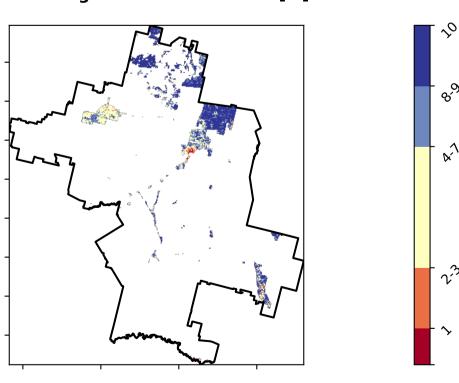
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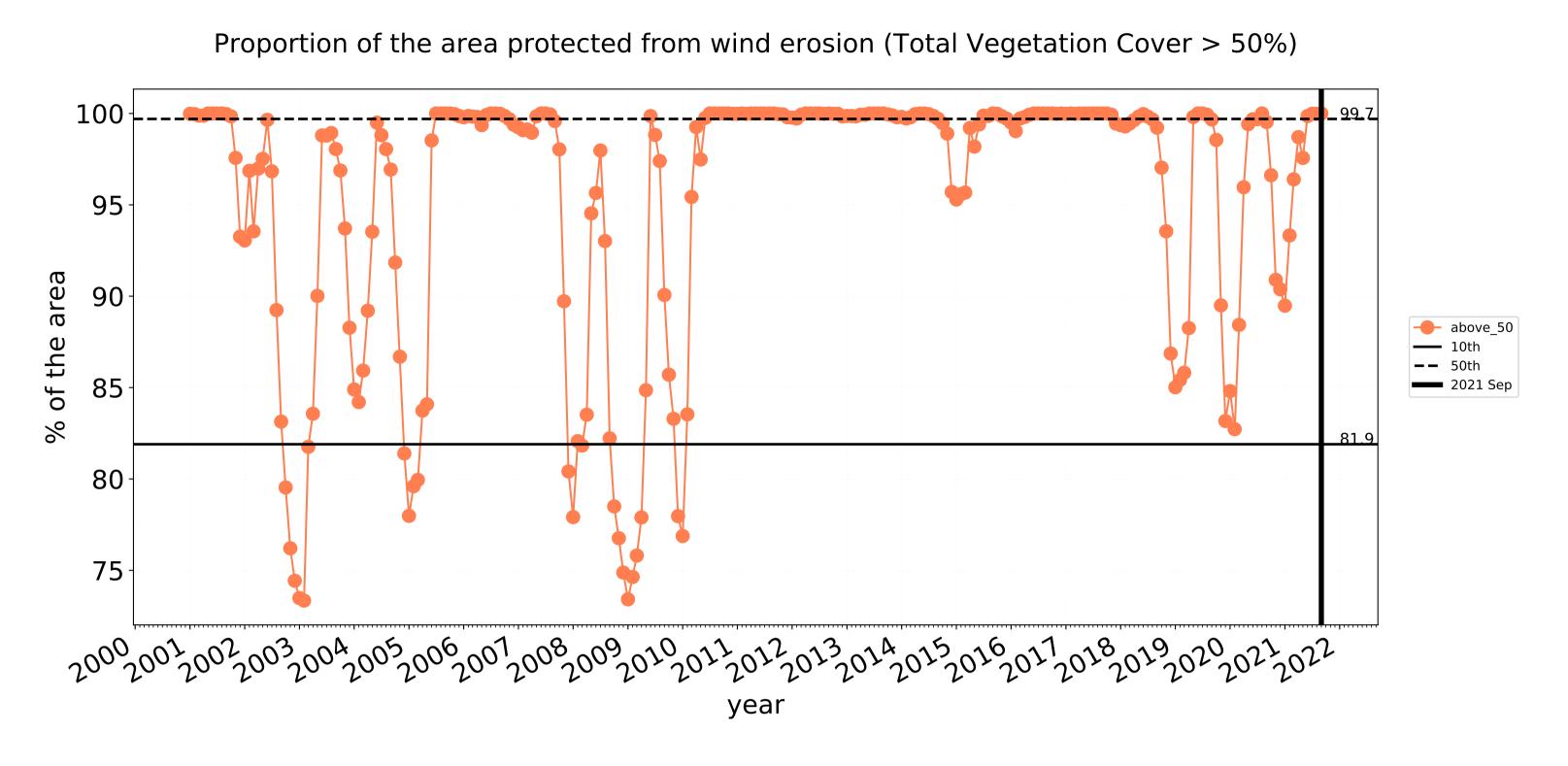


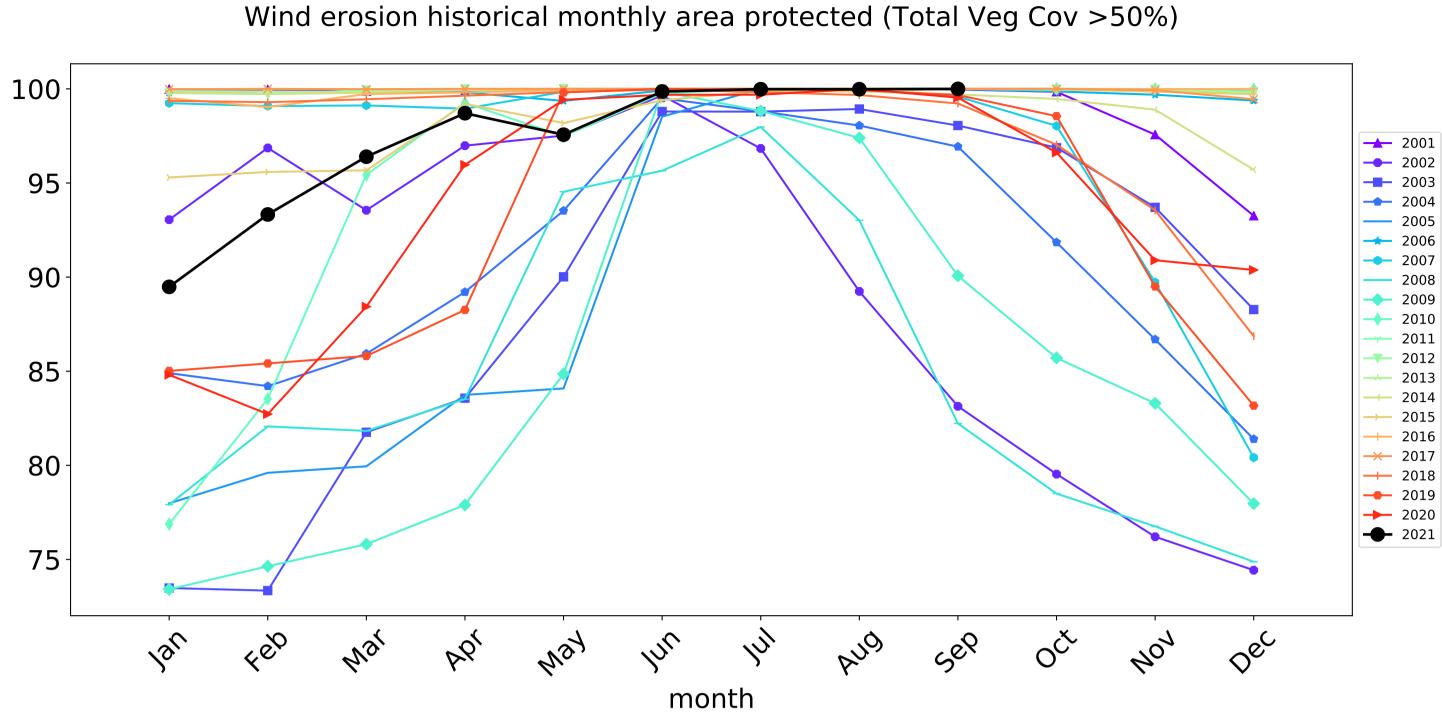


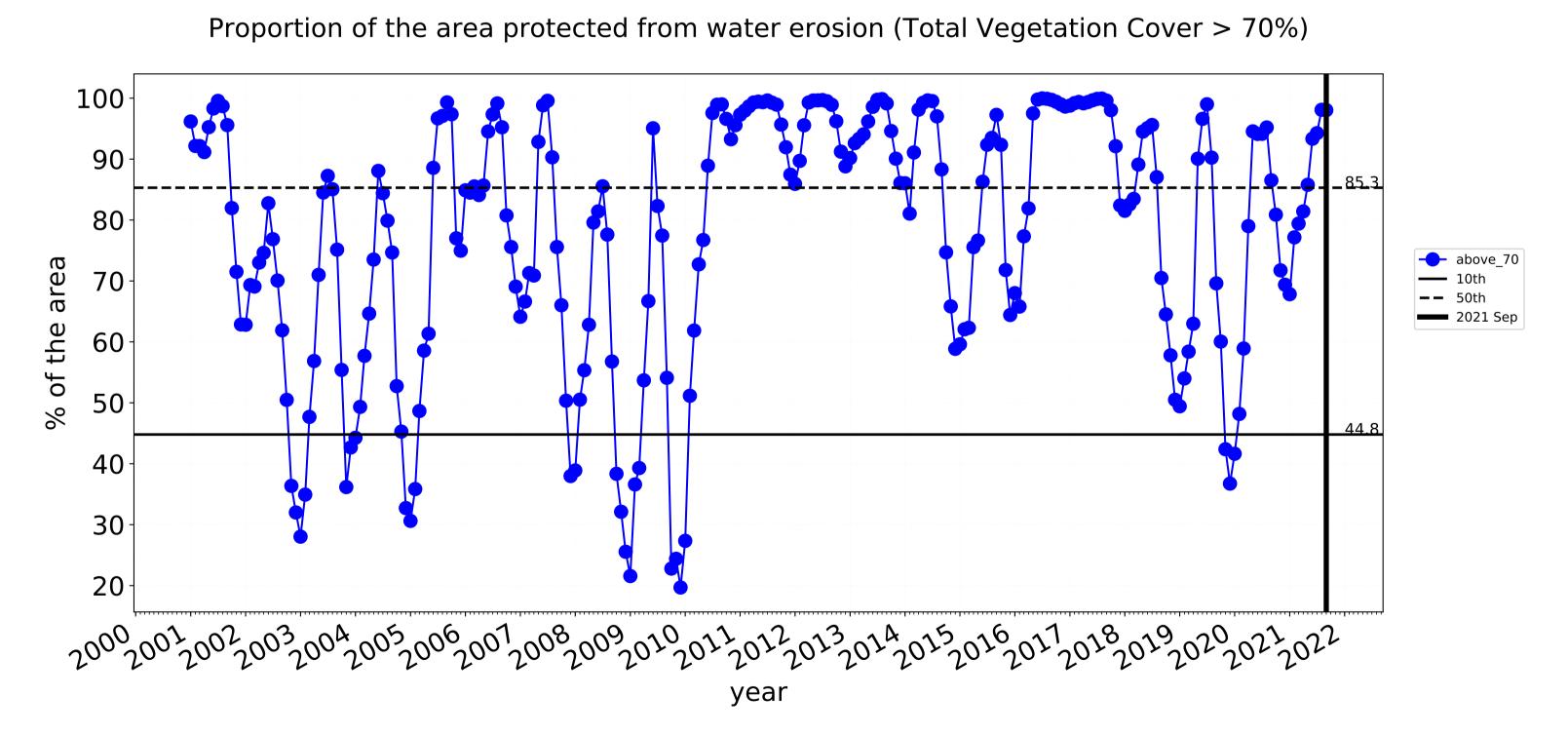


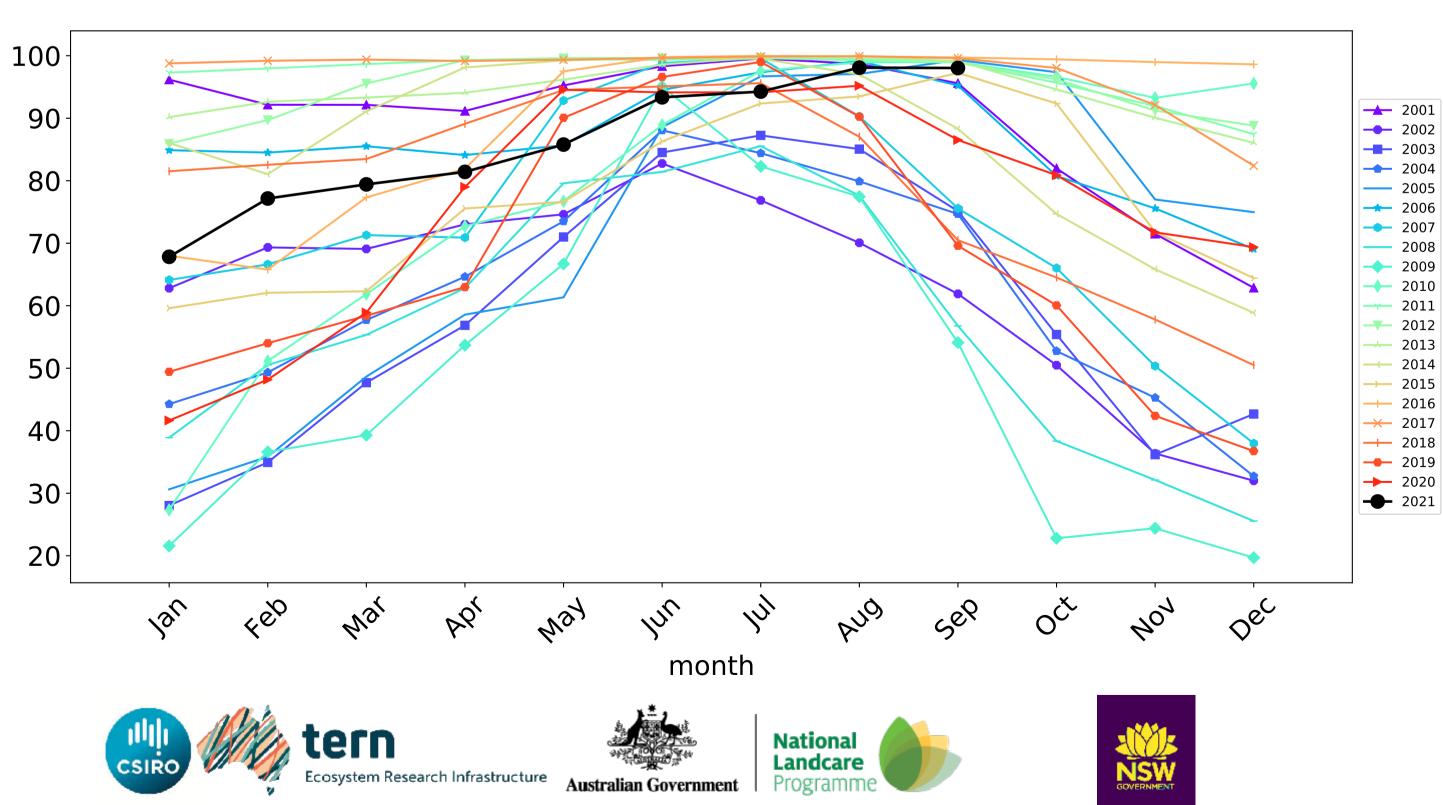


### **Conservation and natural environments timeseries**









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

### **Conservation and natural environments non forest**

### Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018)

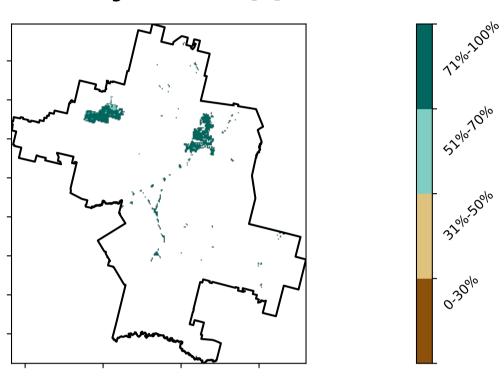
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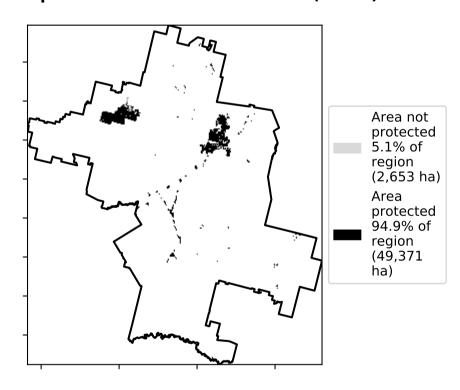
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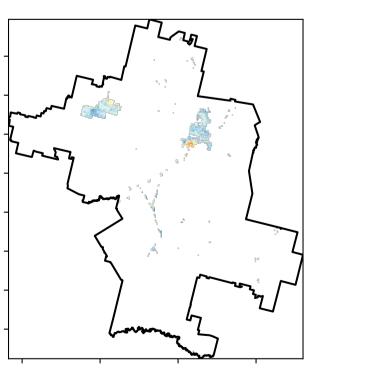
Land use and forest cover



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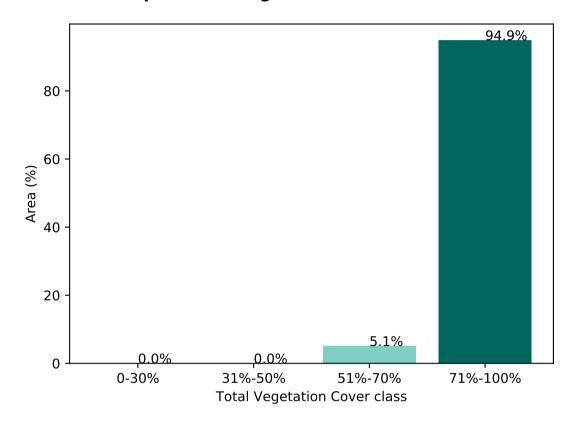


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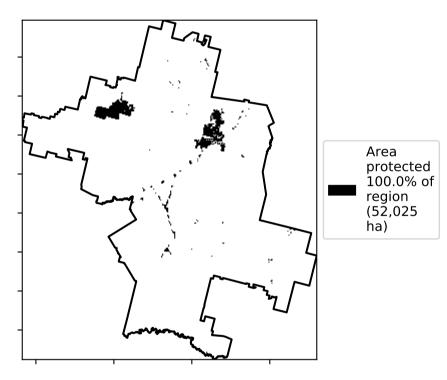


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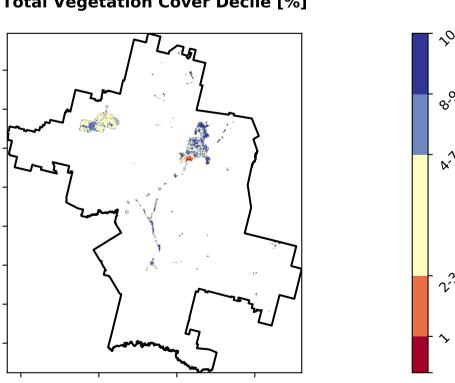
### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





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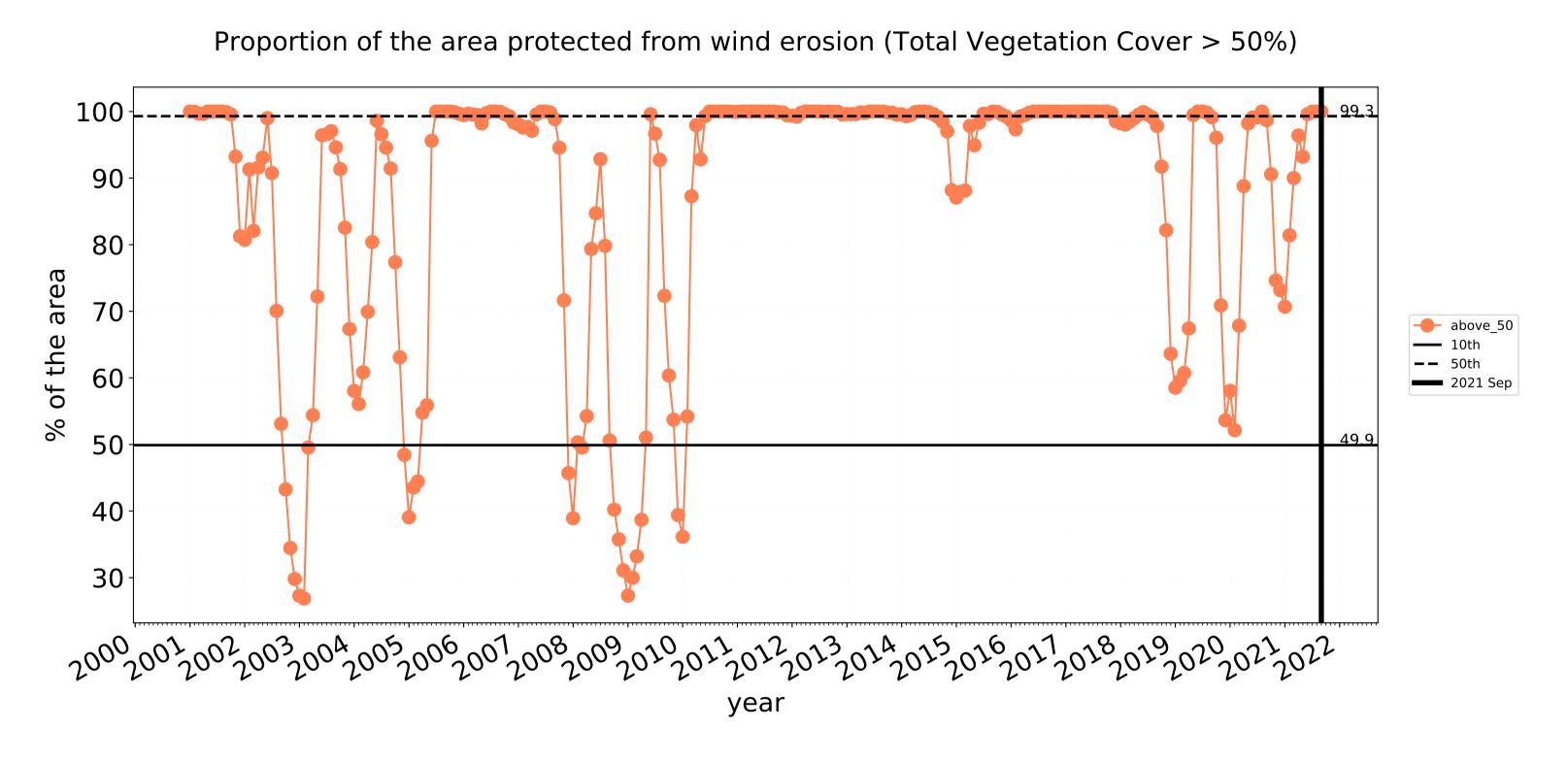
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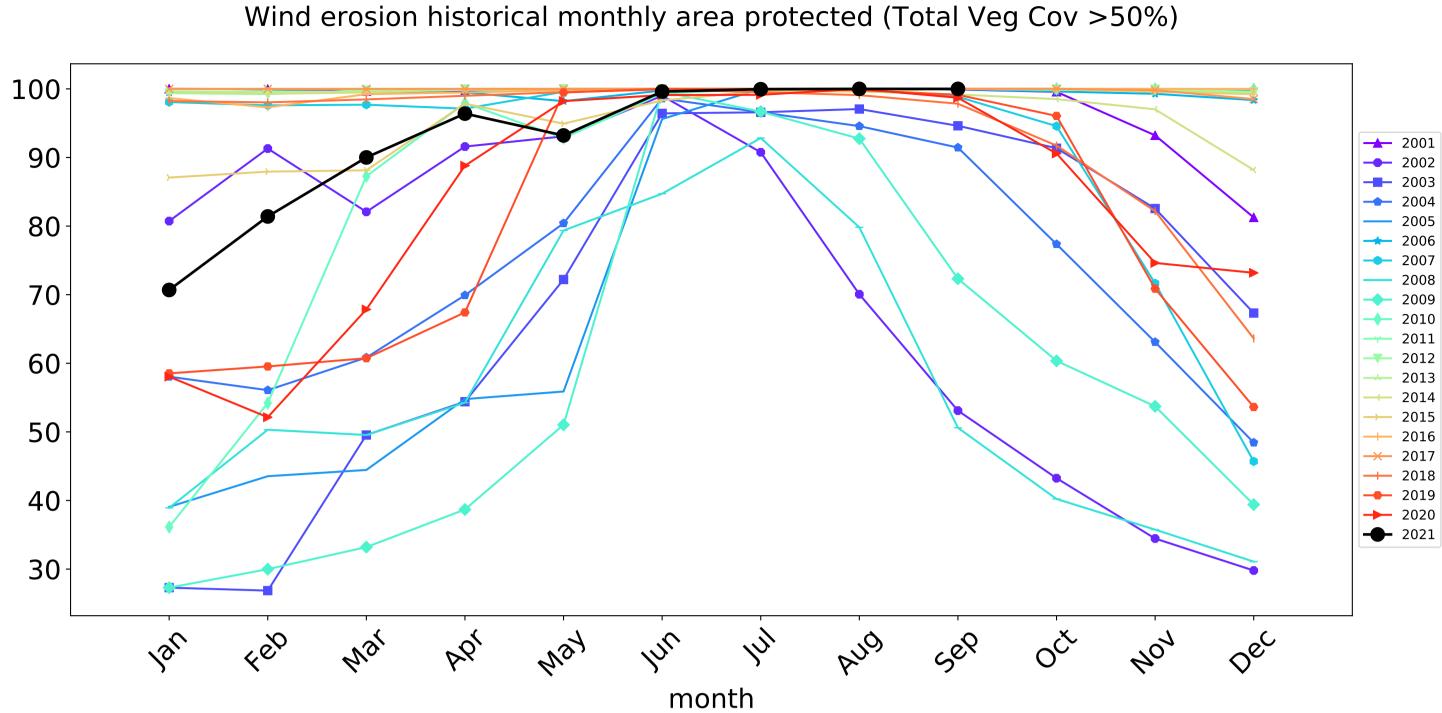
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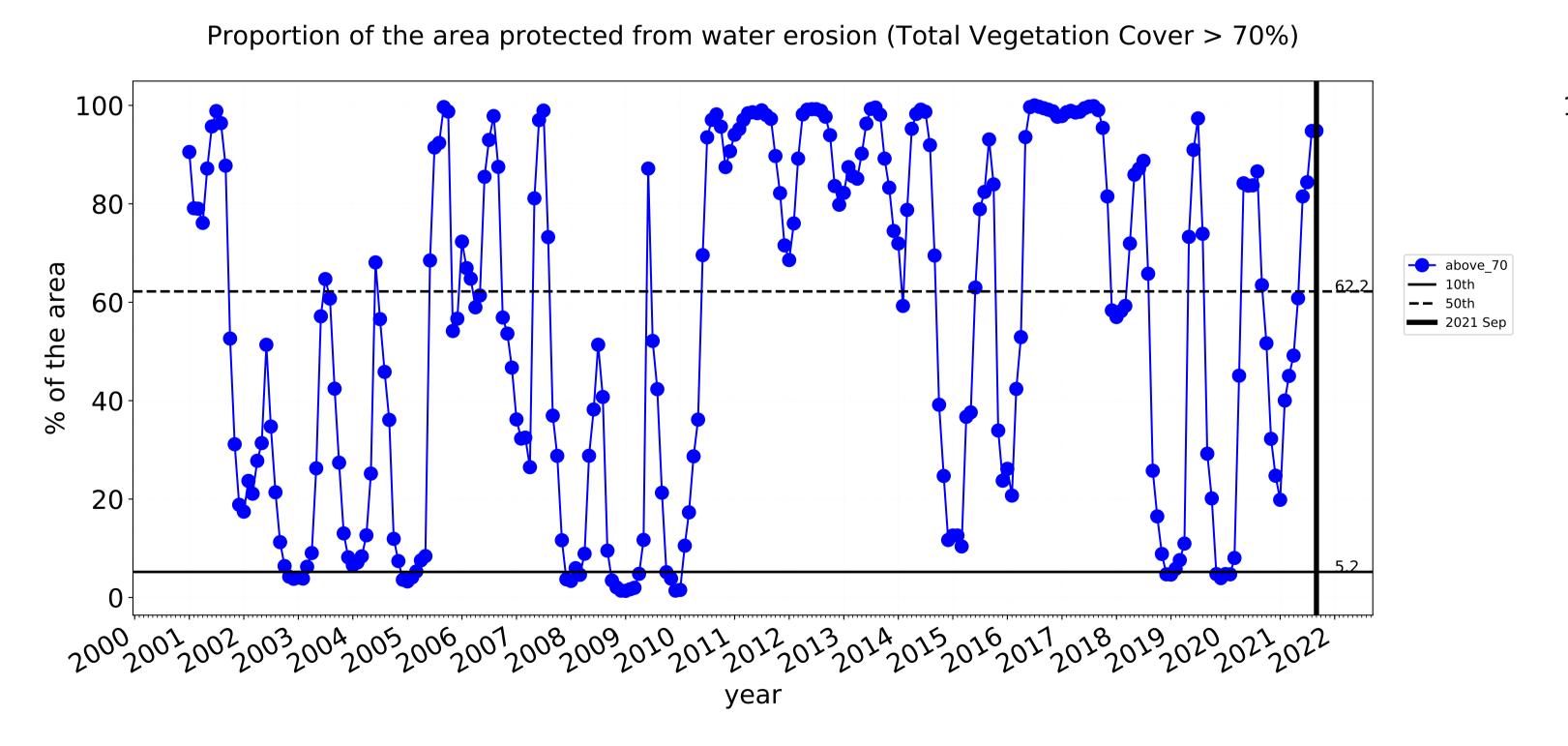
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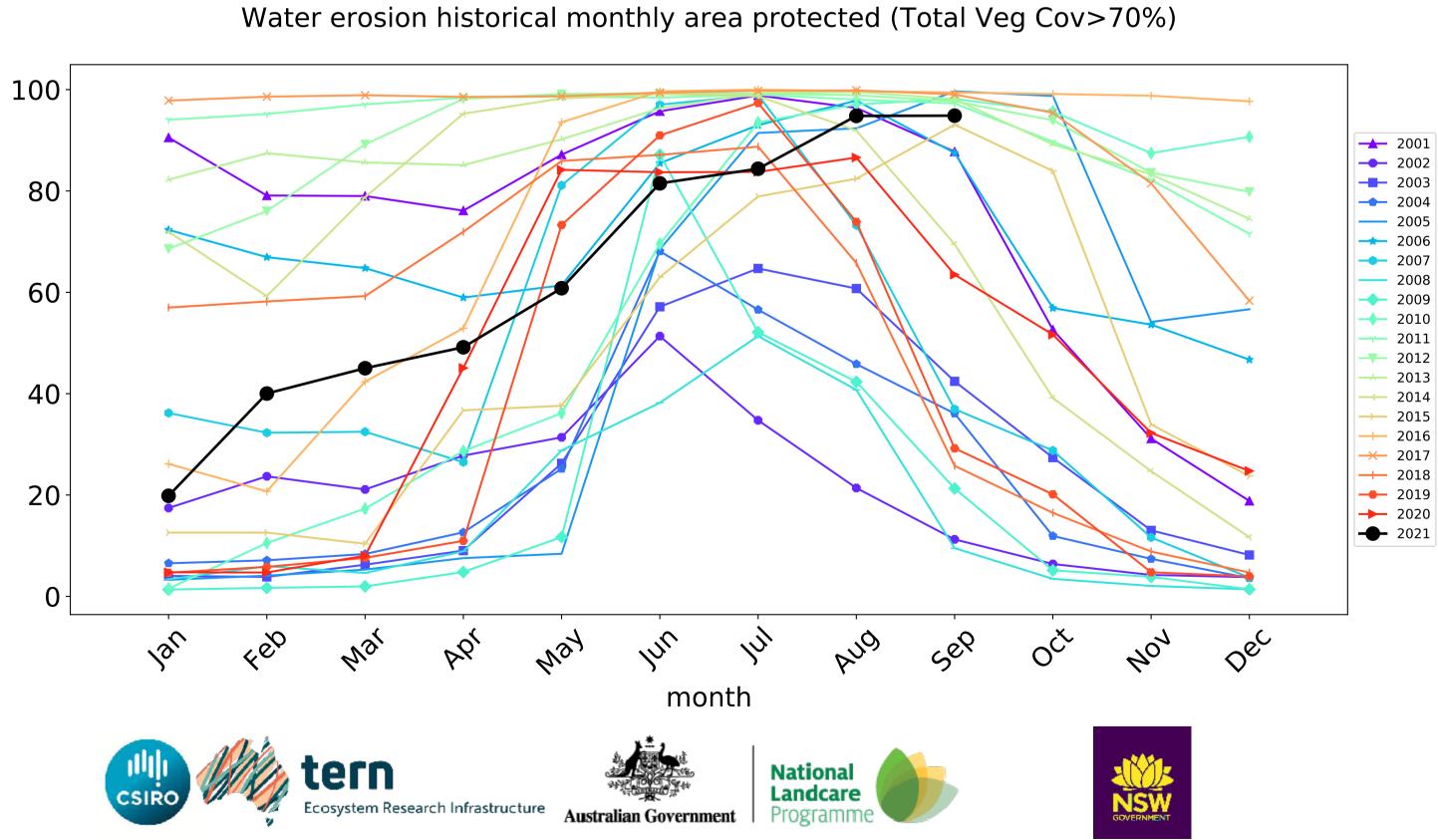
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### **Conservation and natural environments non forest timeseries**









### **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest**

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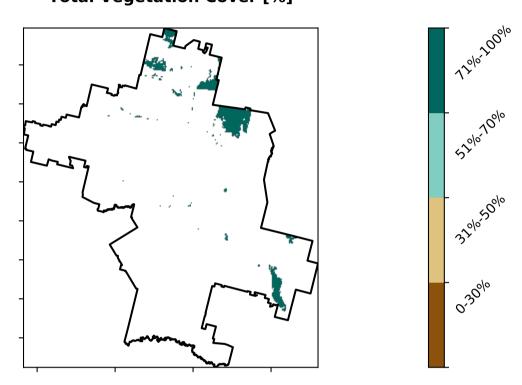
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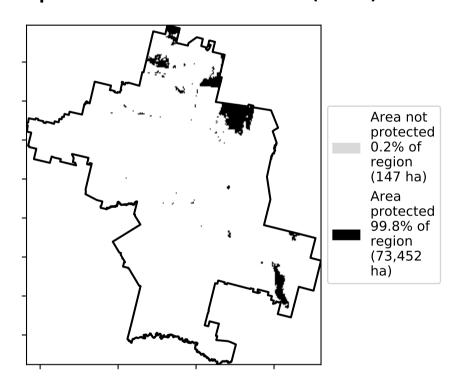
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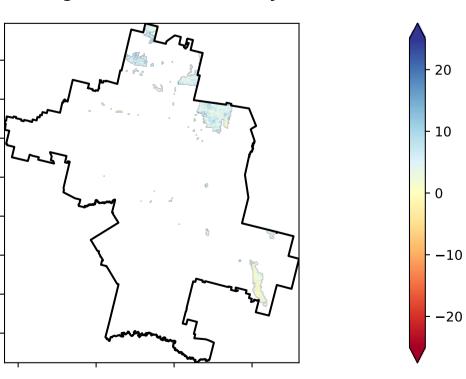
Land use and forest cover



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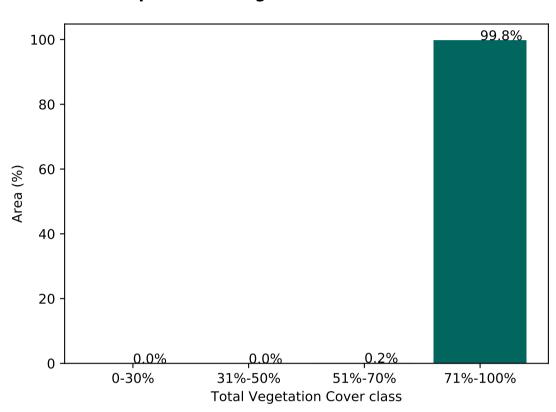


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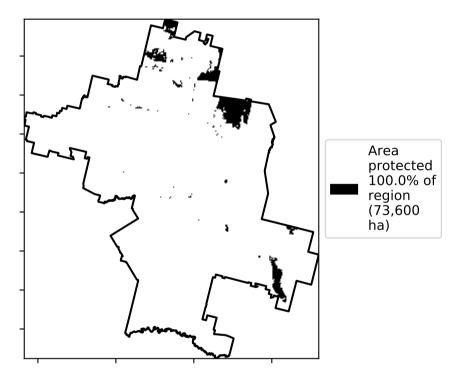


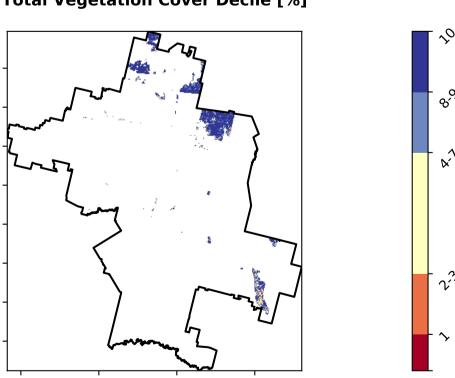
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### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)







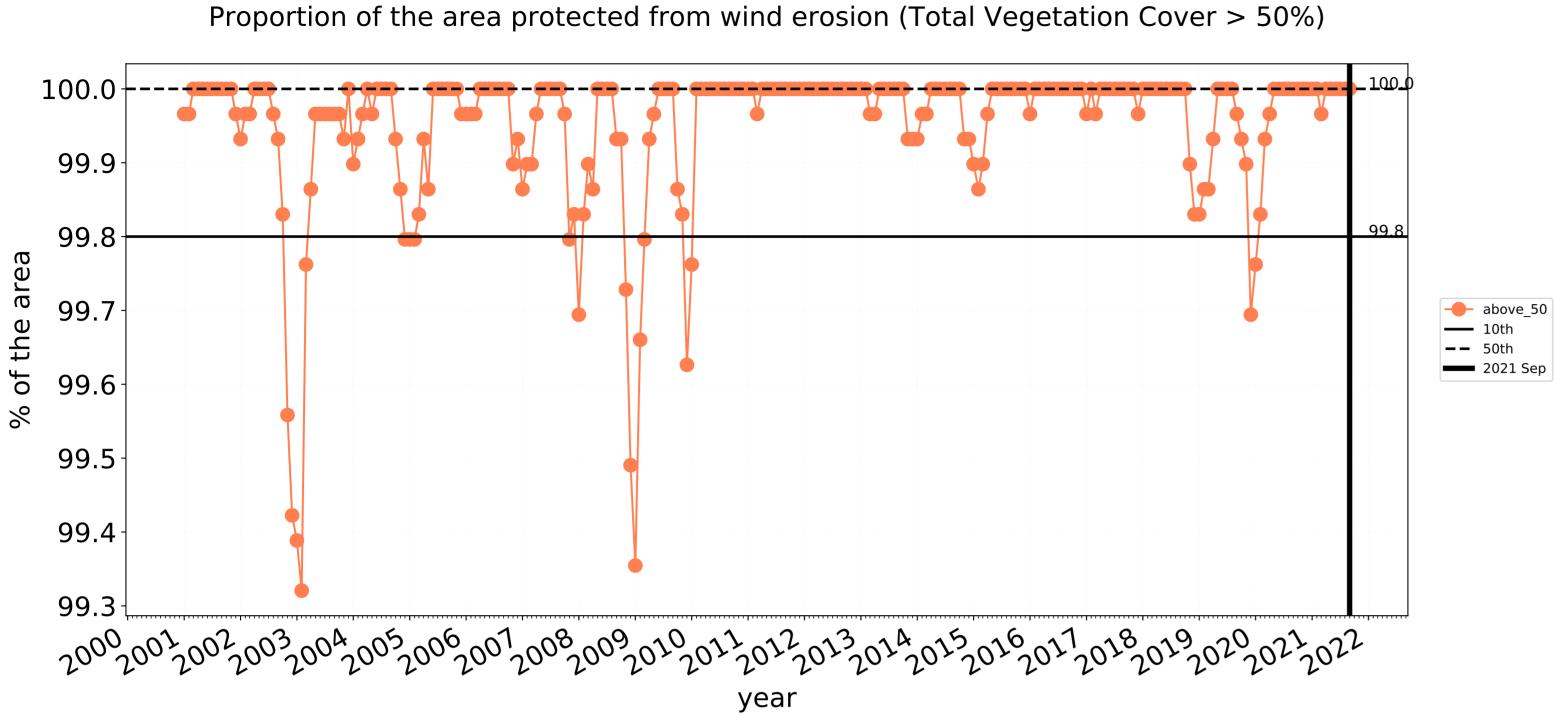


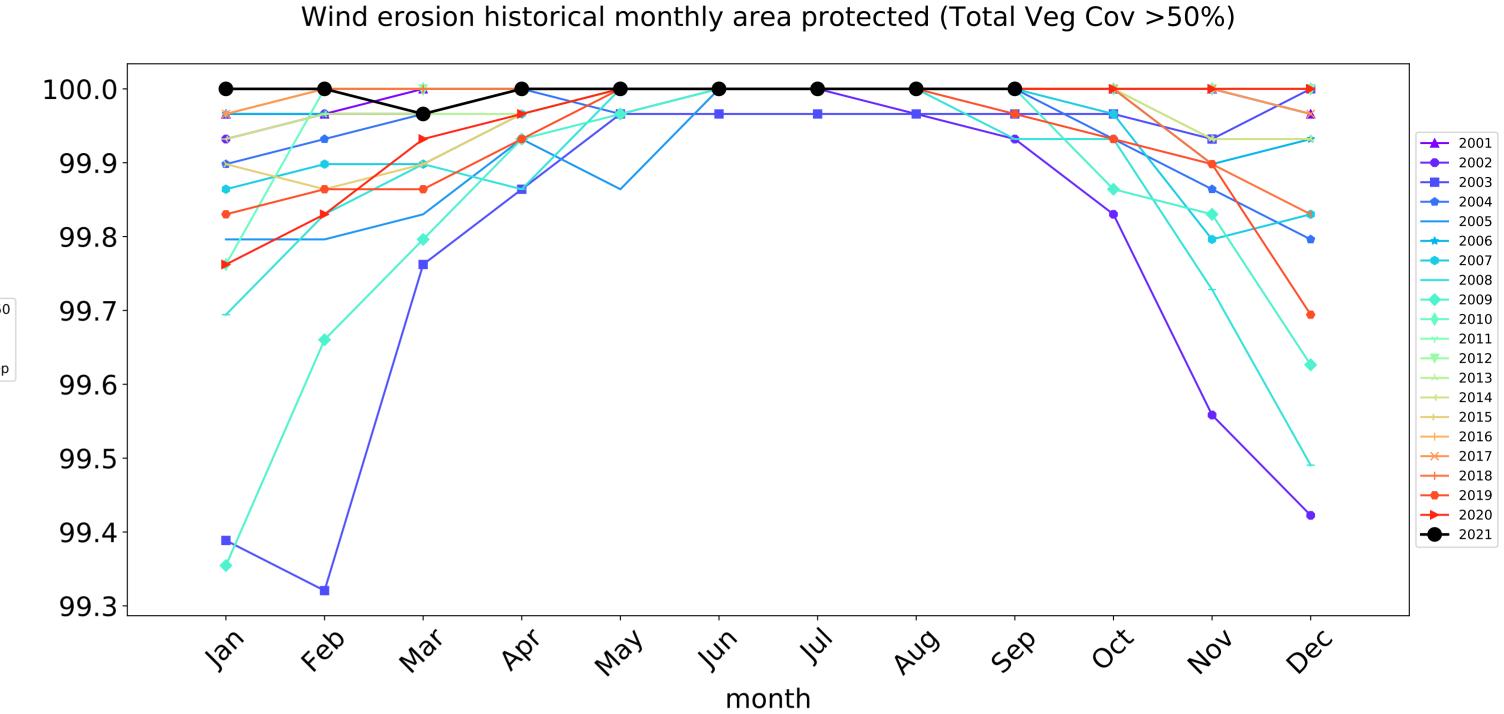


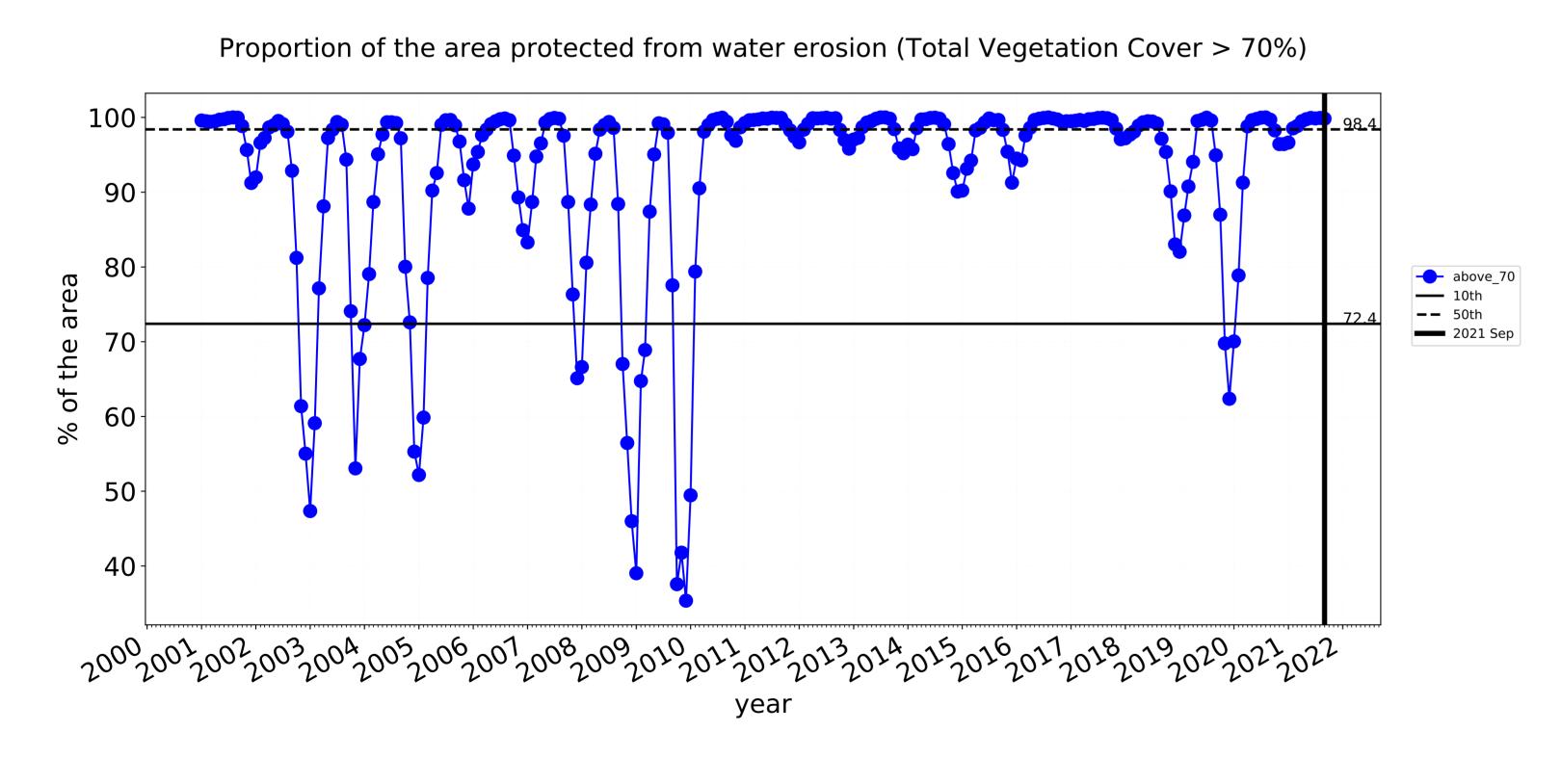


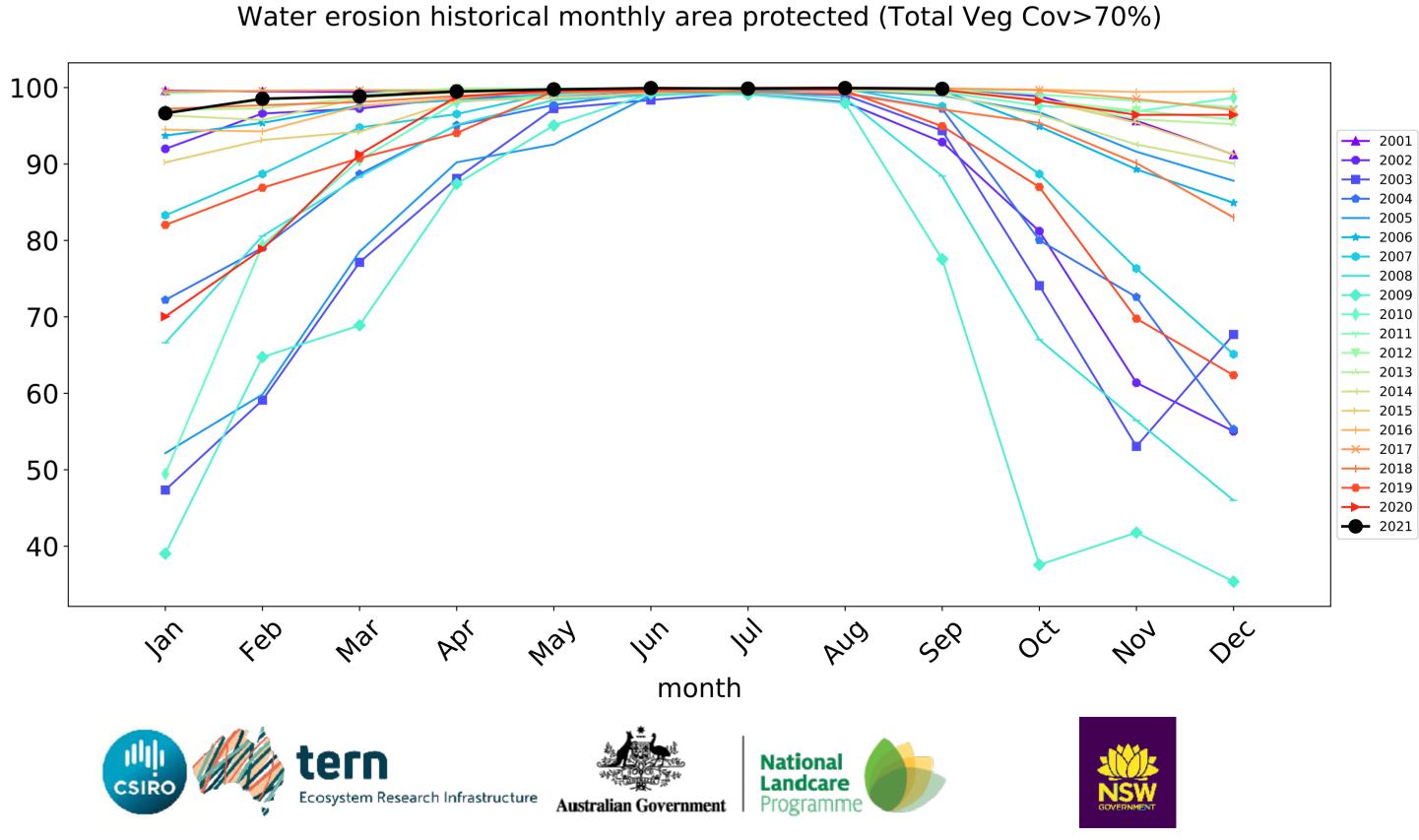












### **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

### Land use and forest cover

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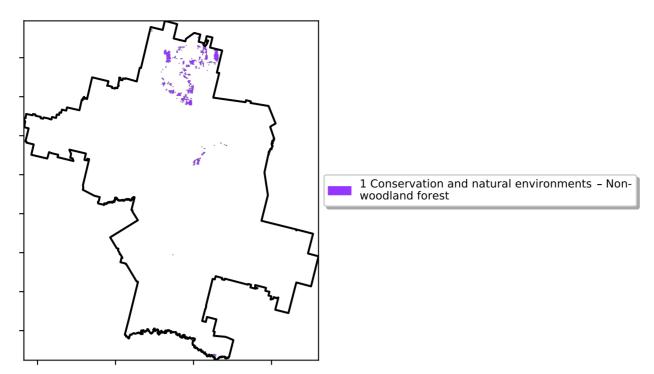
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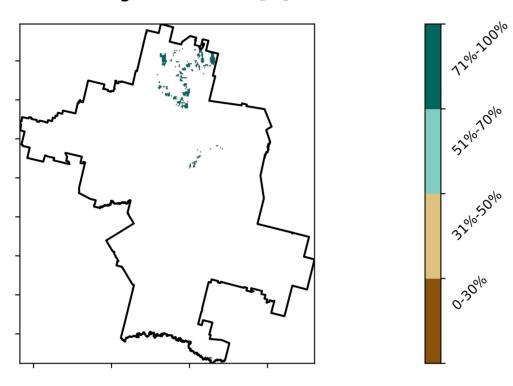
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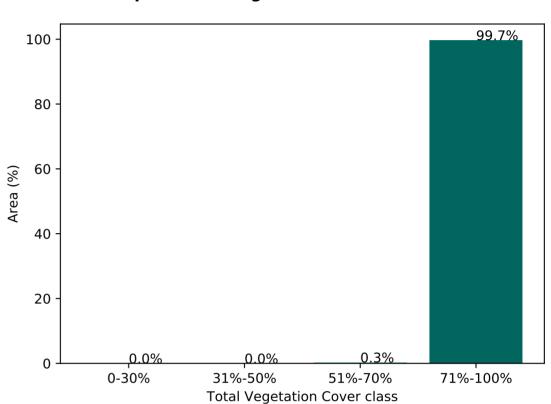
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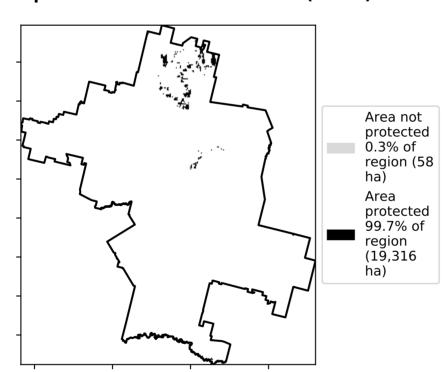
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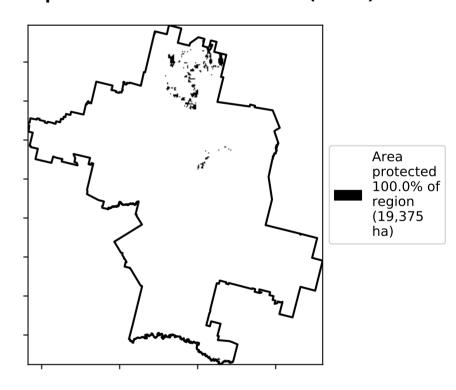
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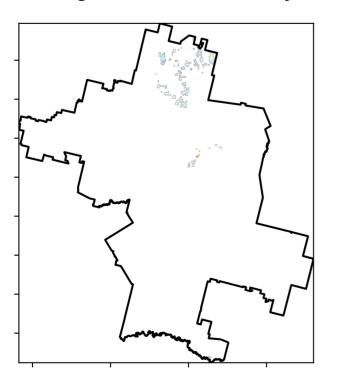
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% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

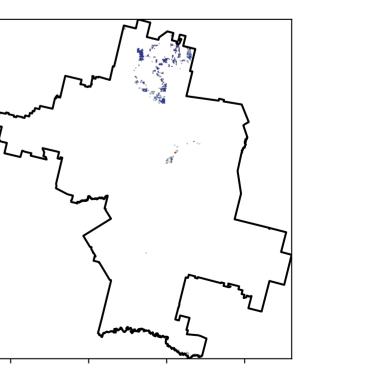


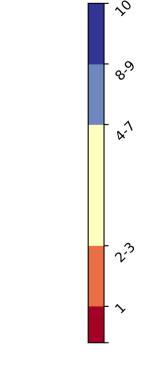
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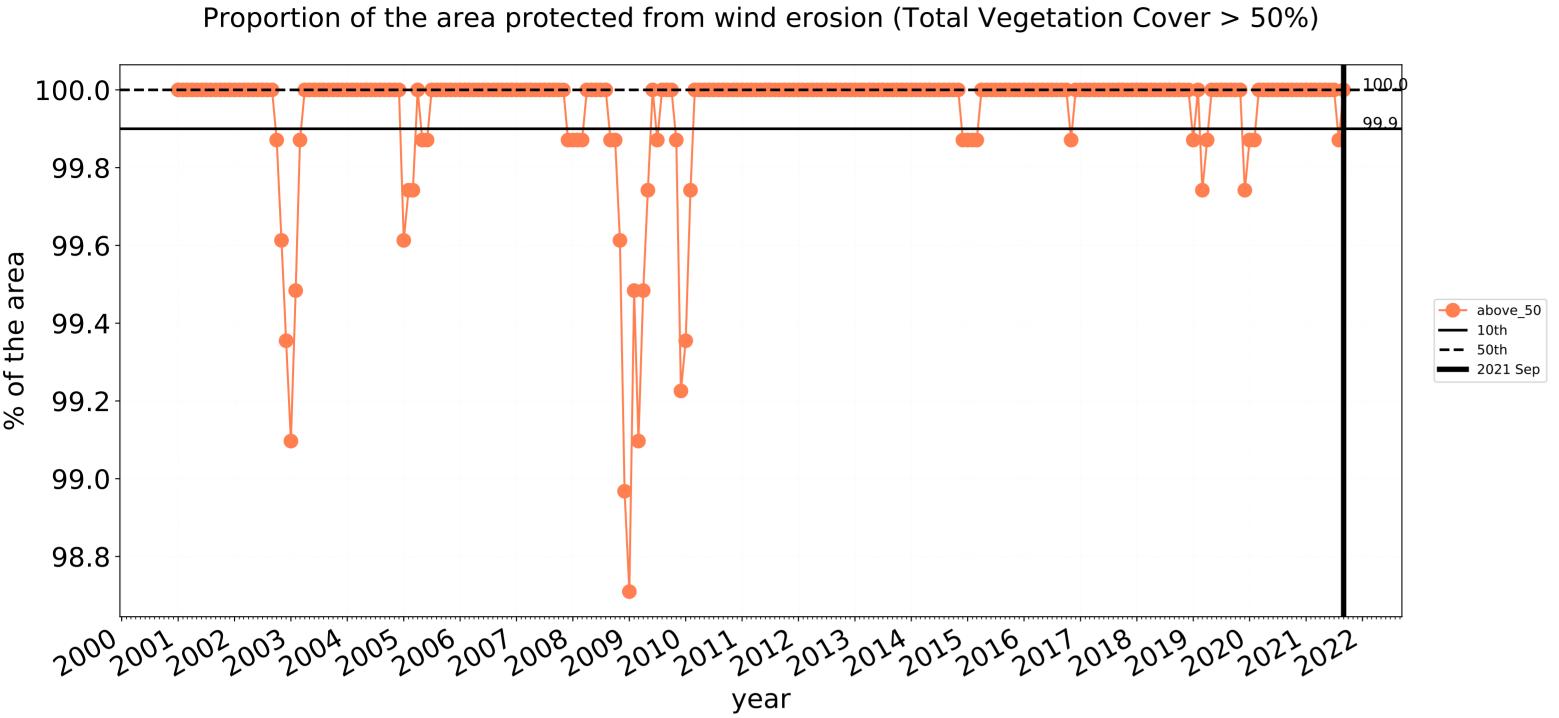


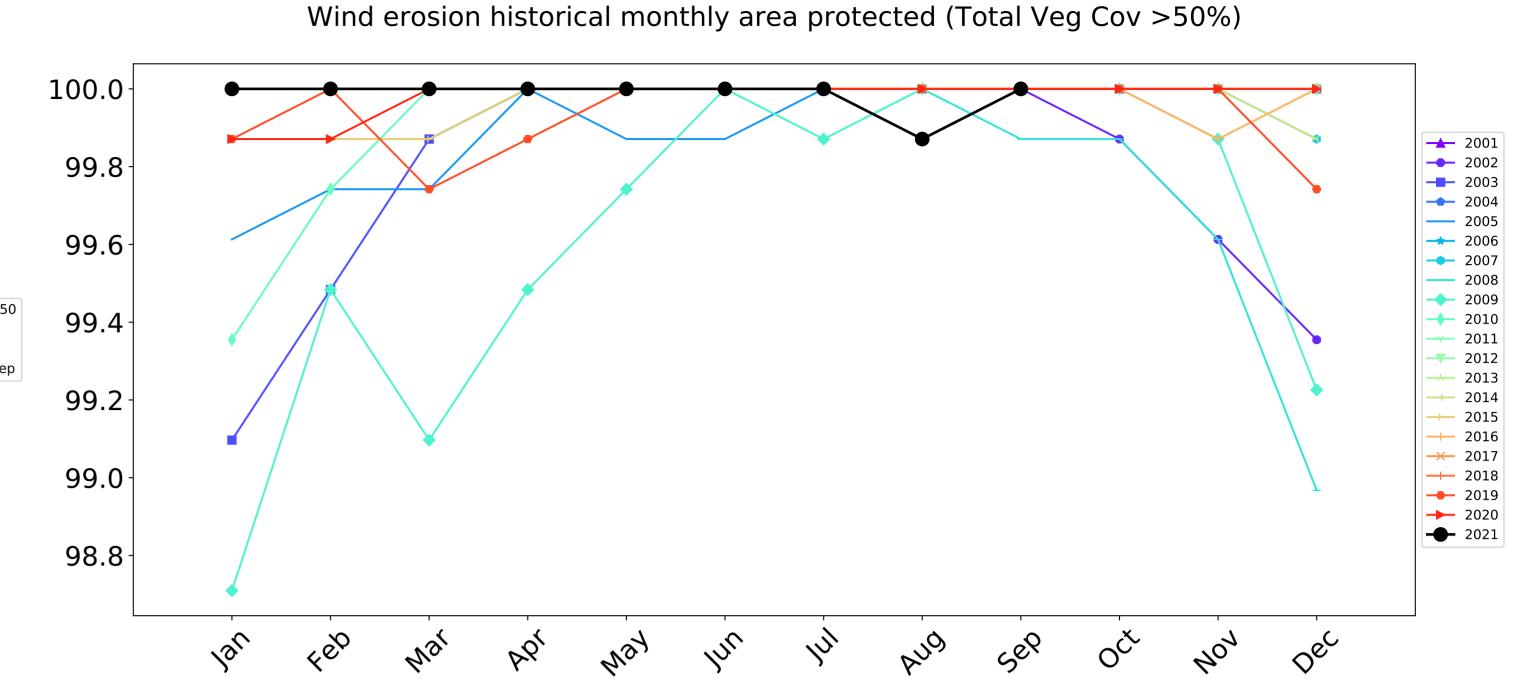




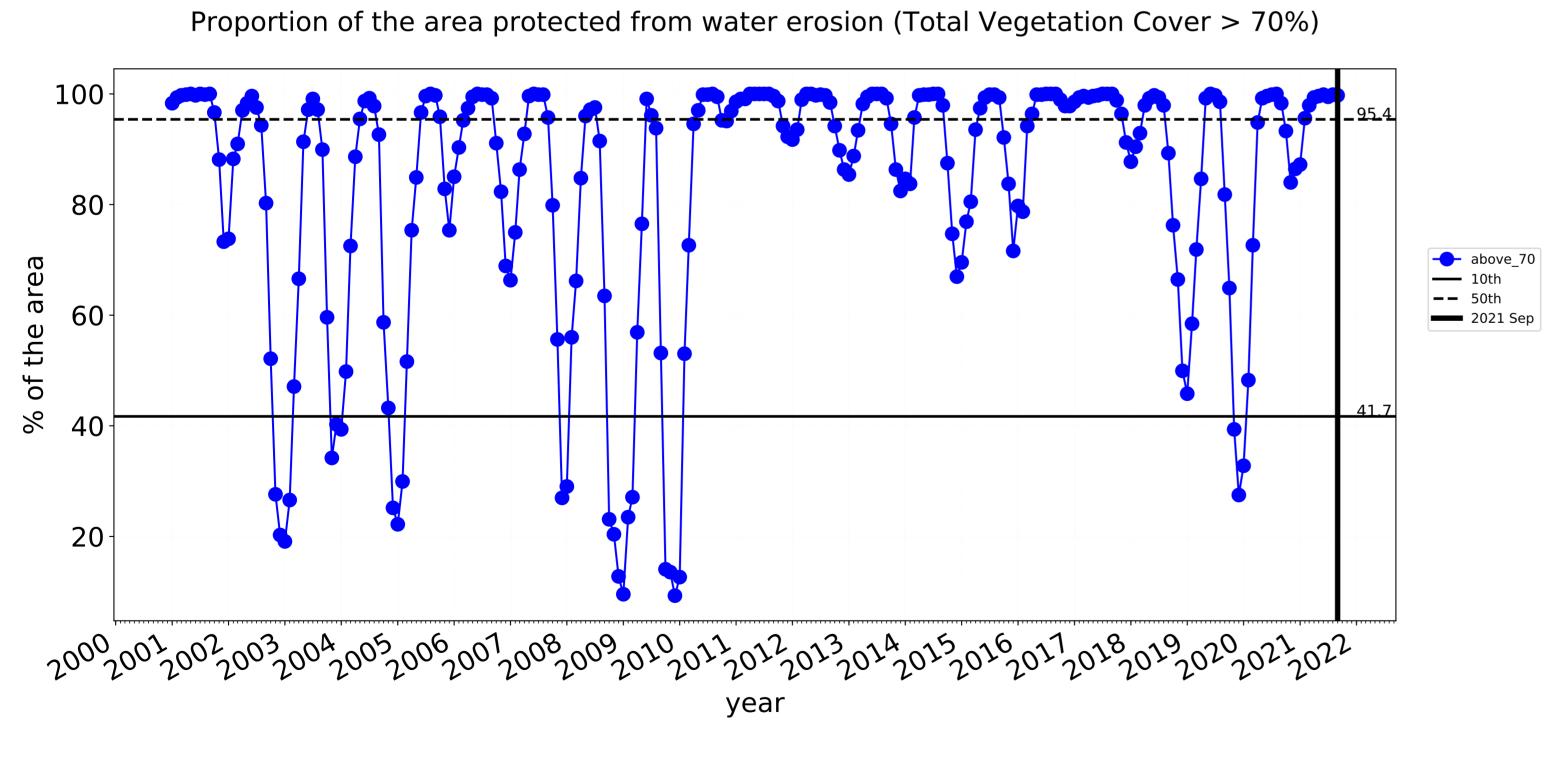


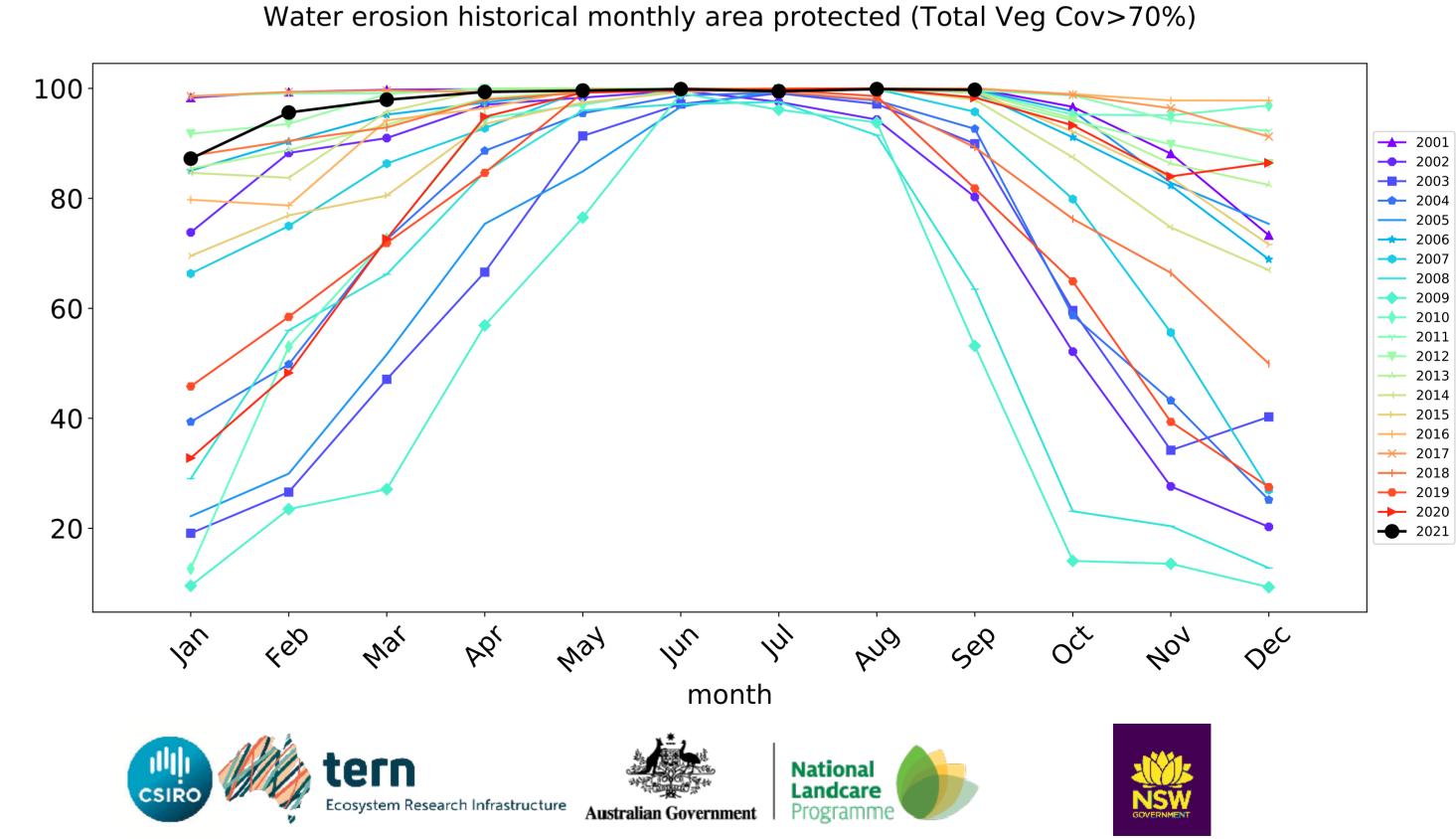






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### **Agriculture**

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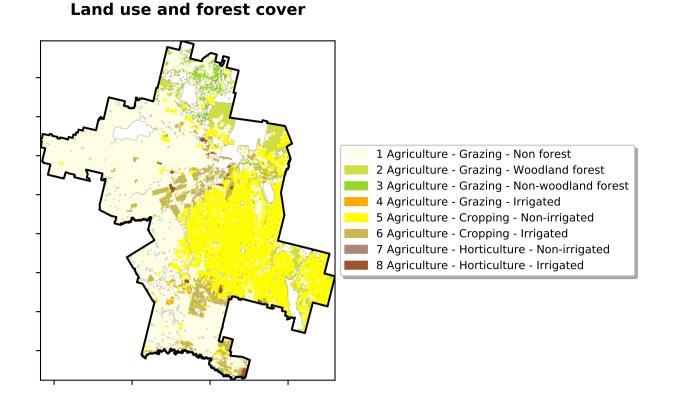
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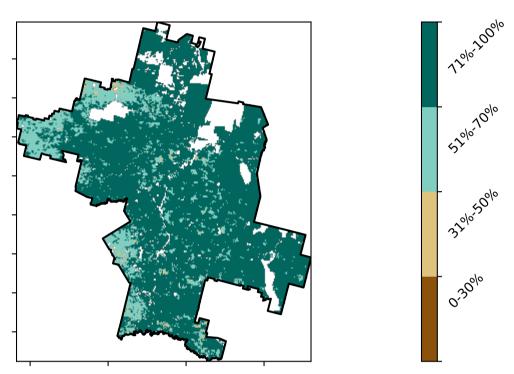
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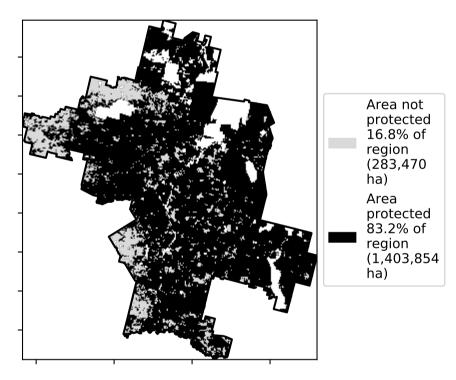
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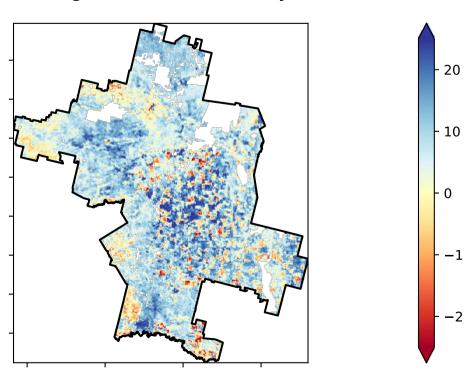
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### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

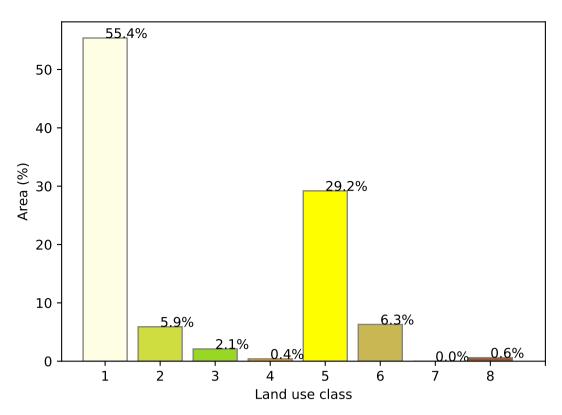


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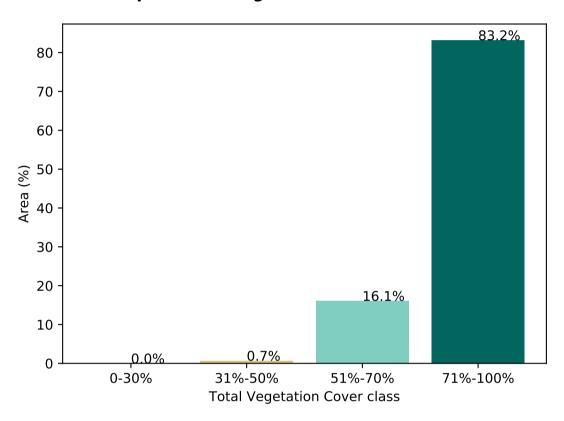


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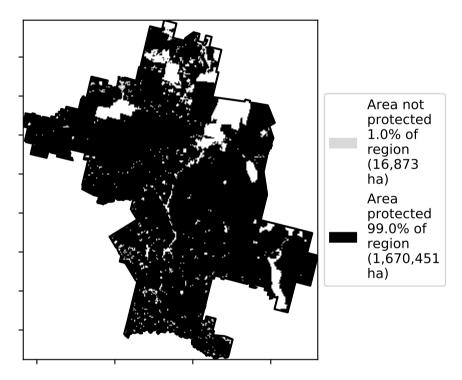
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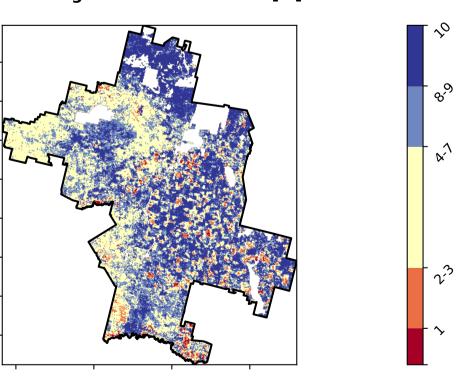
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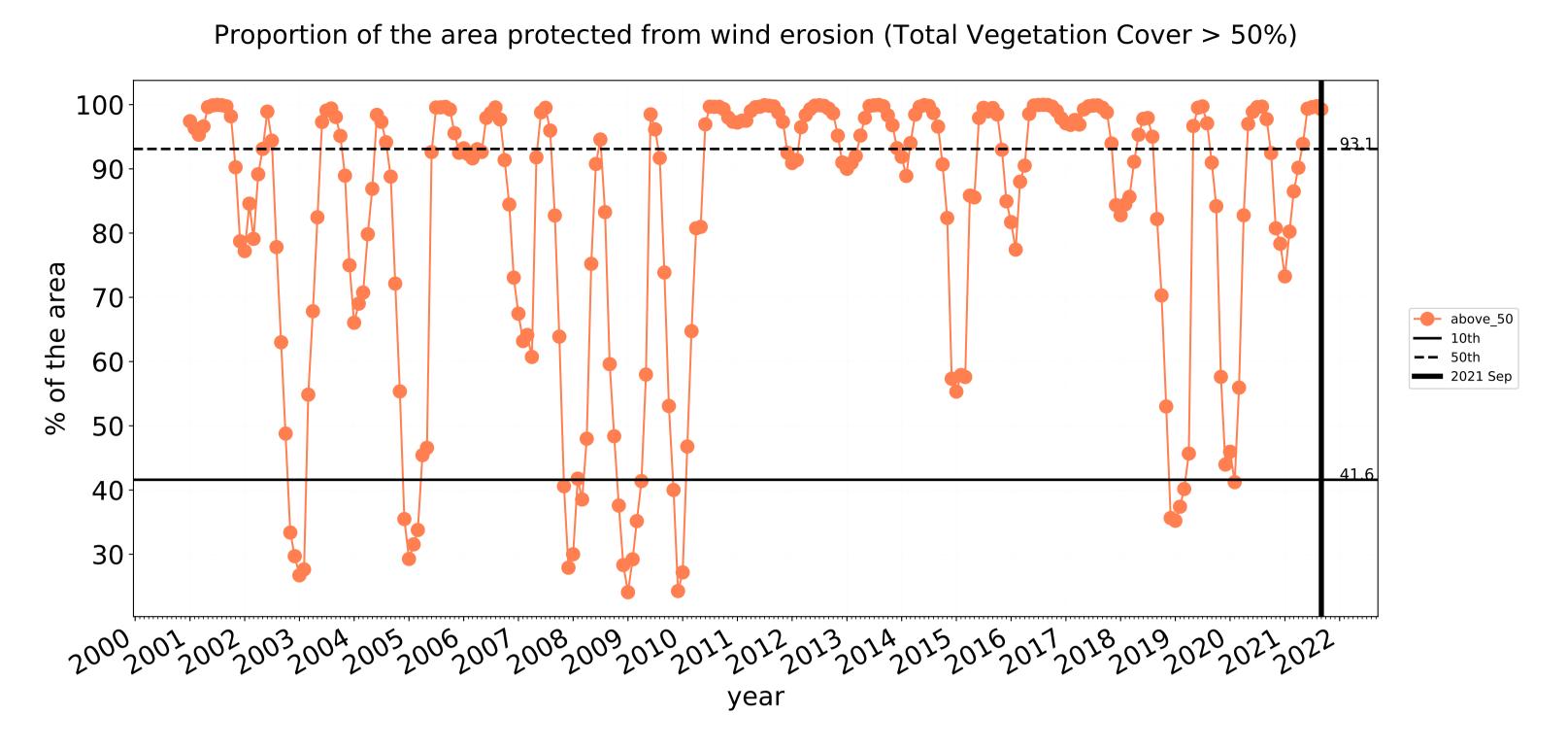


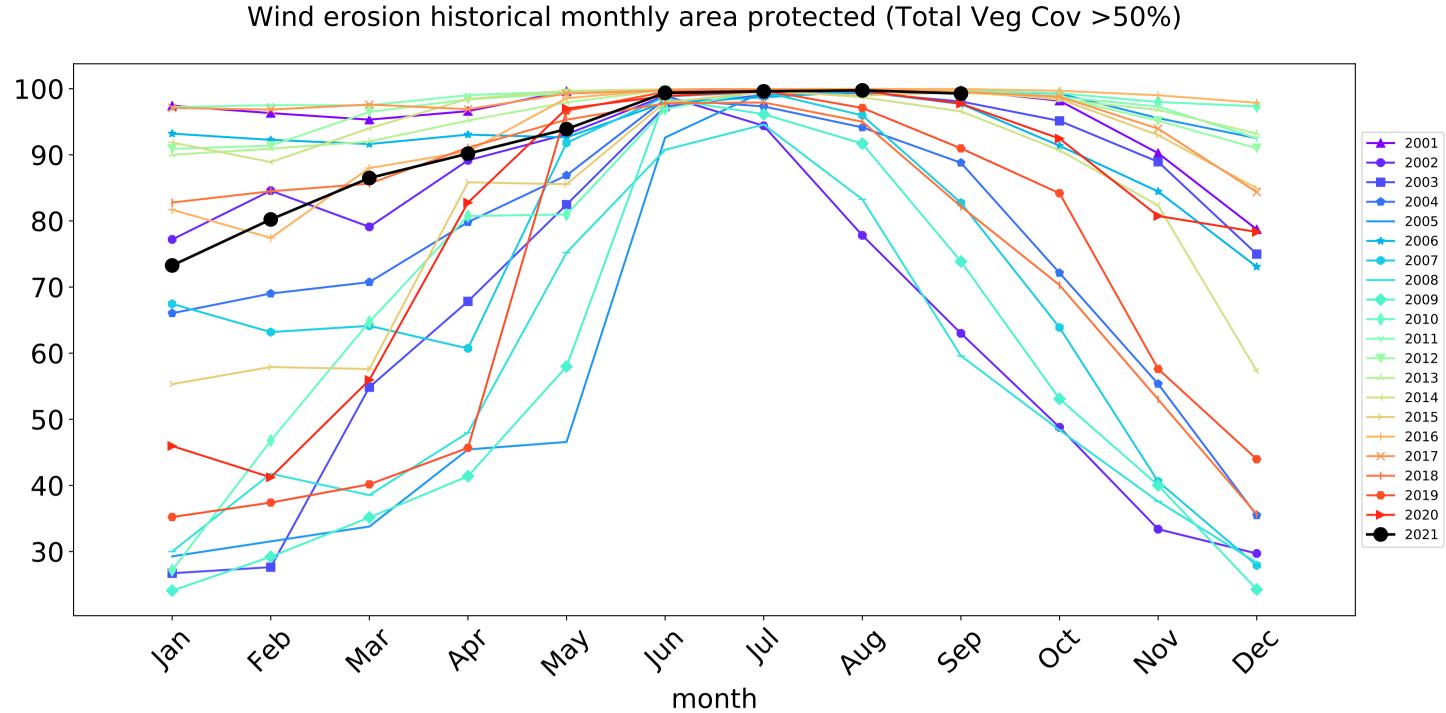
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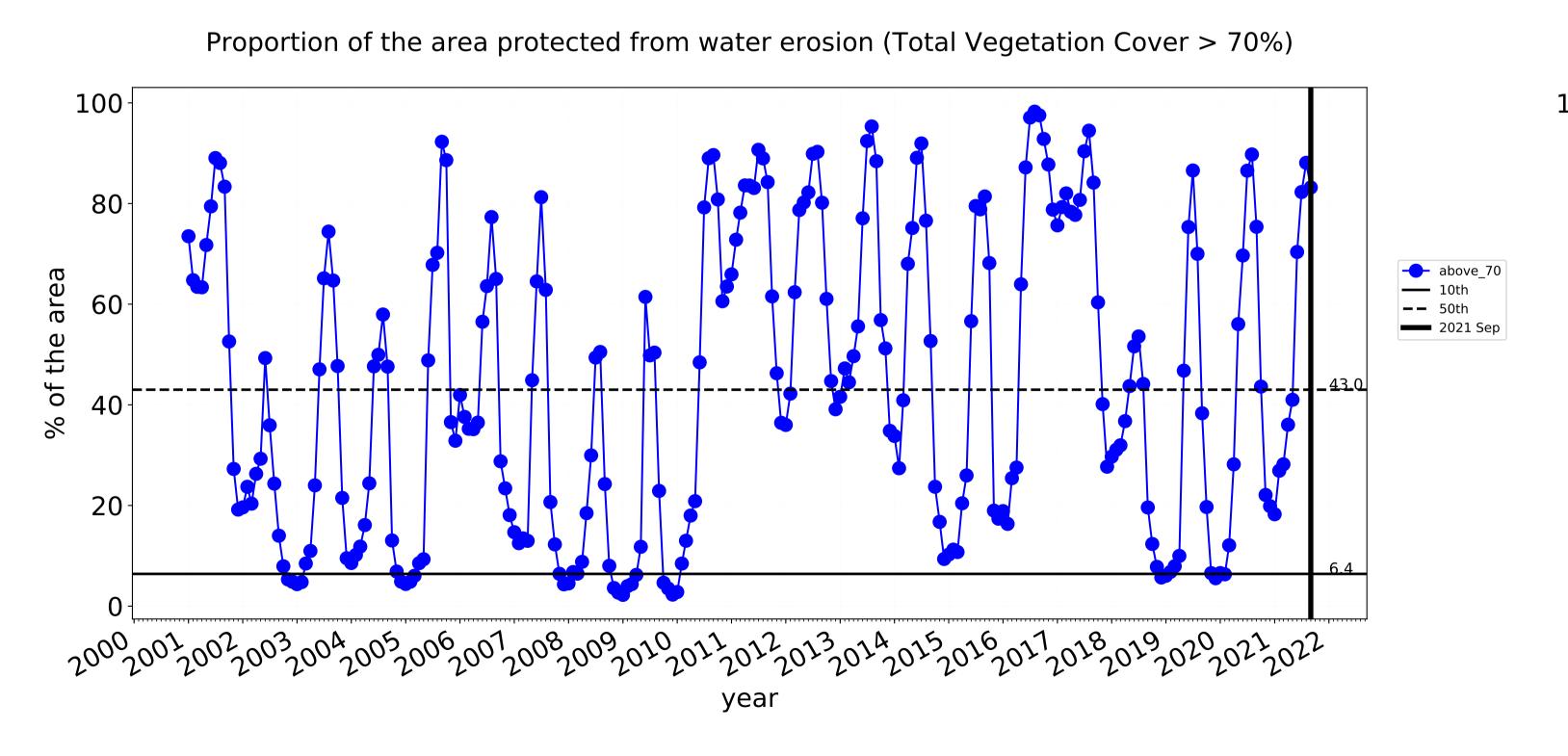
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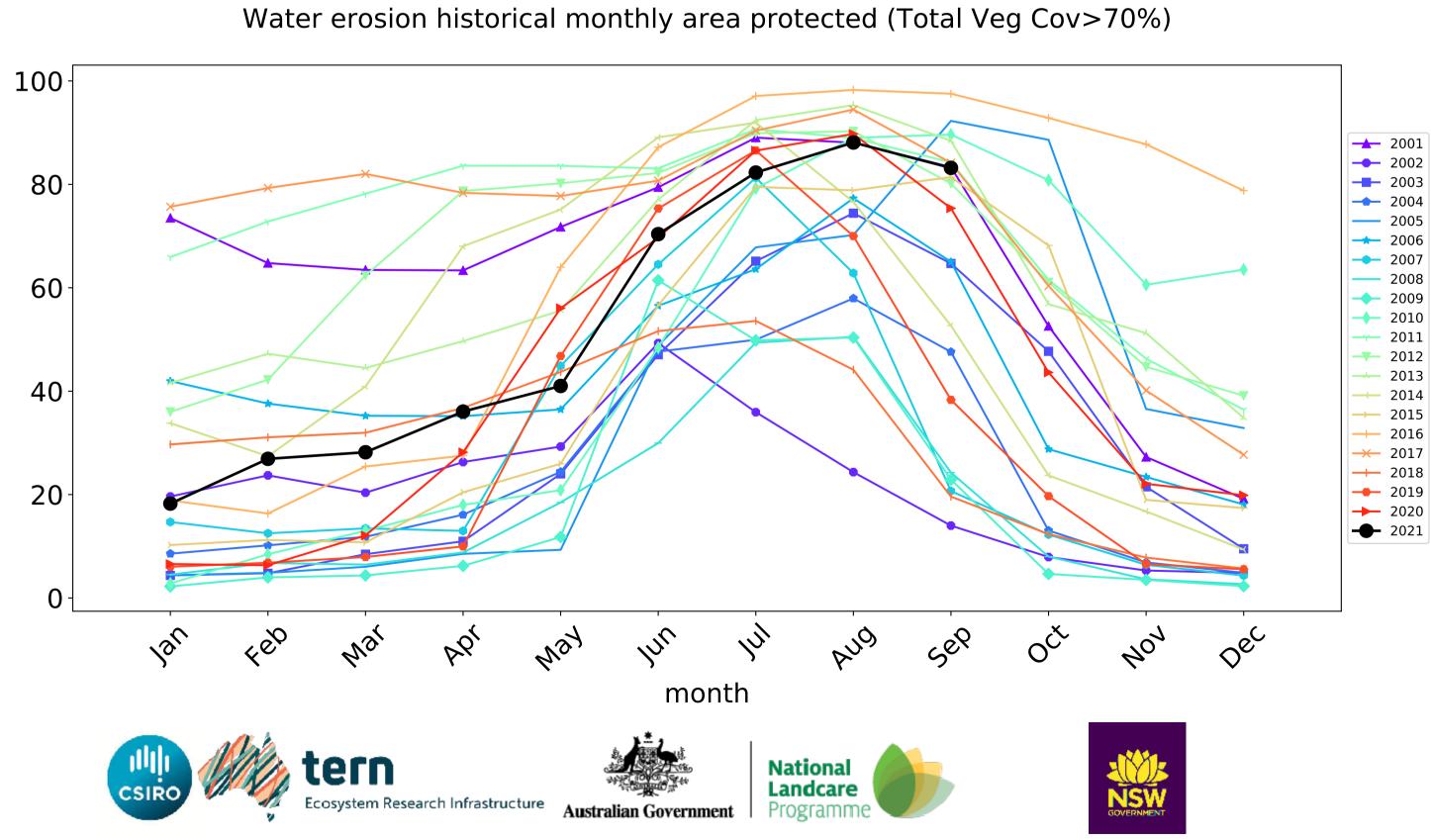
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### **Agriculture timeseries**









### **Grazing**

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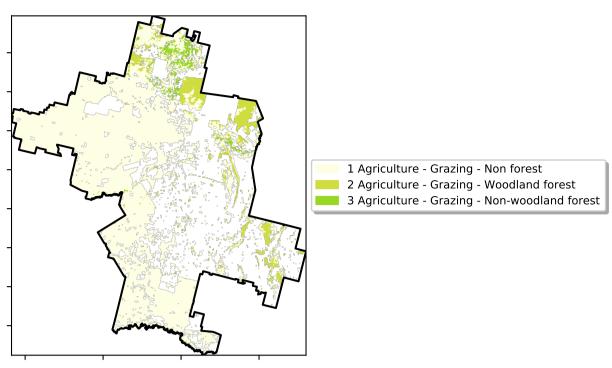
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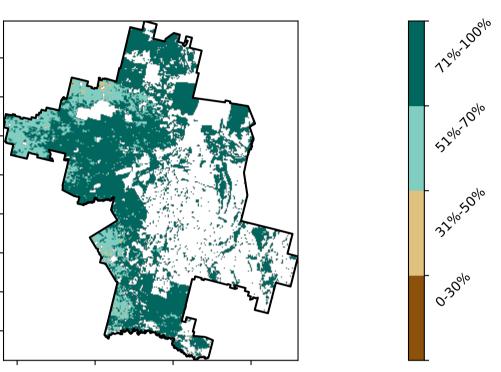


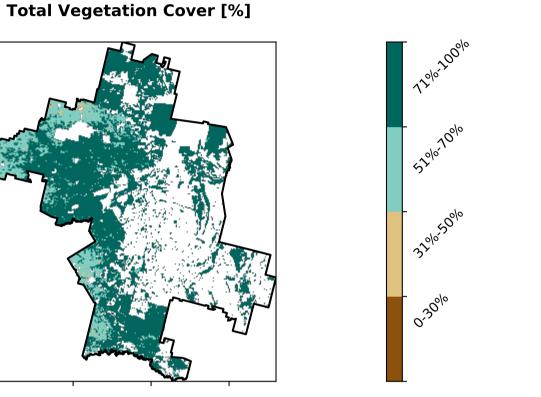
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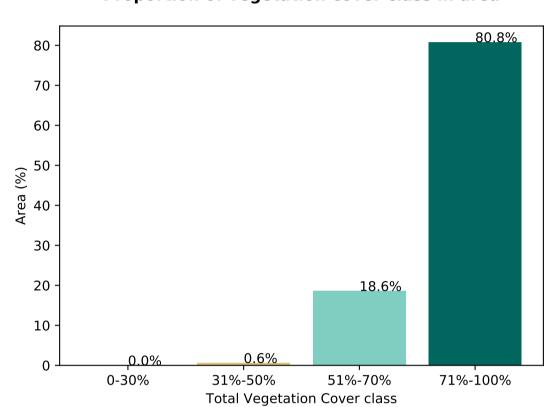


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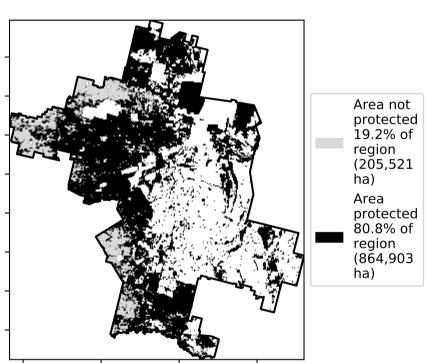
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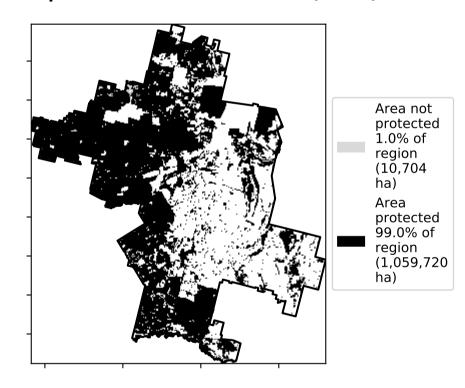




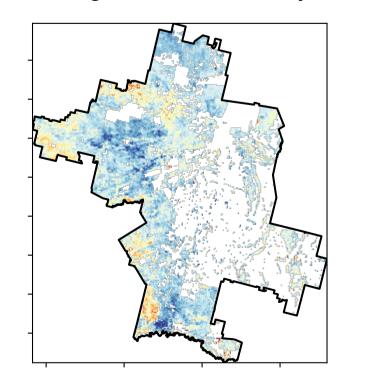
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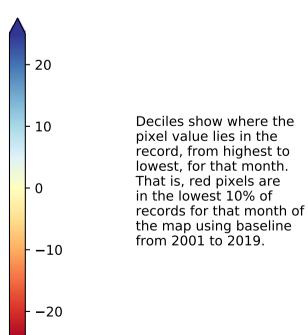


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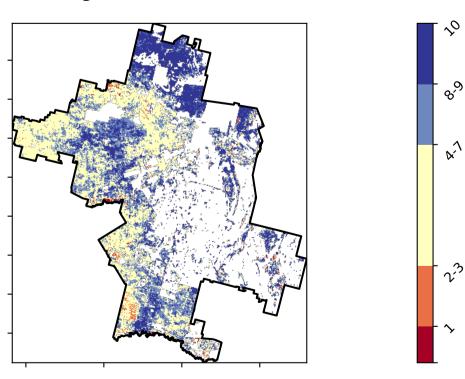


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 





**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



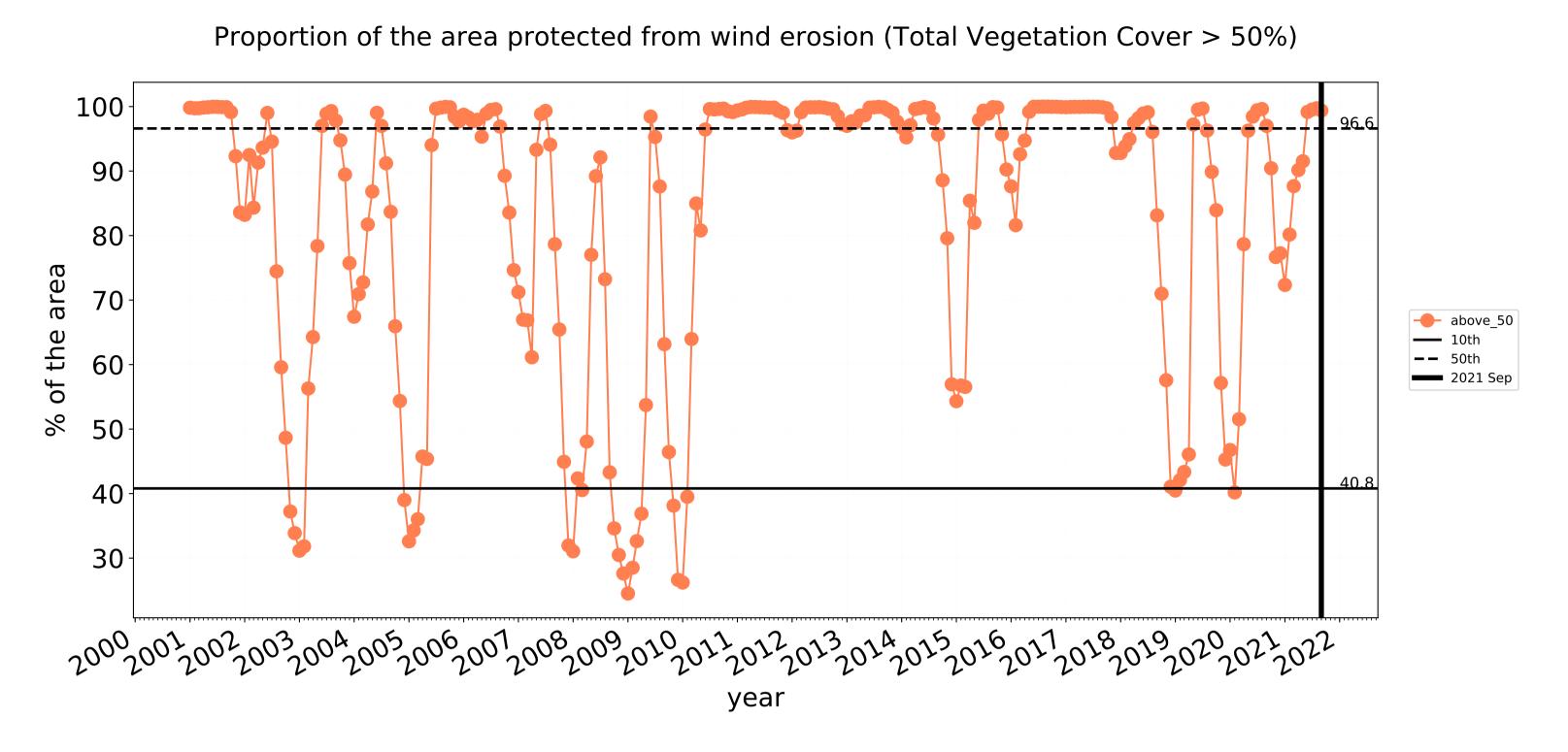


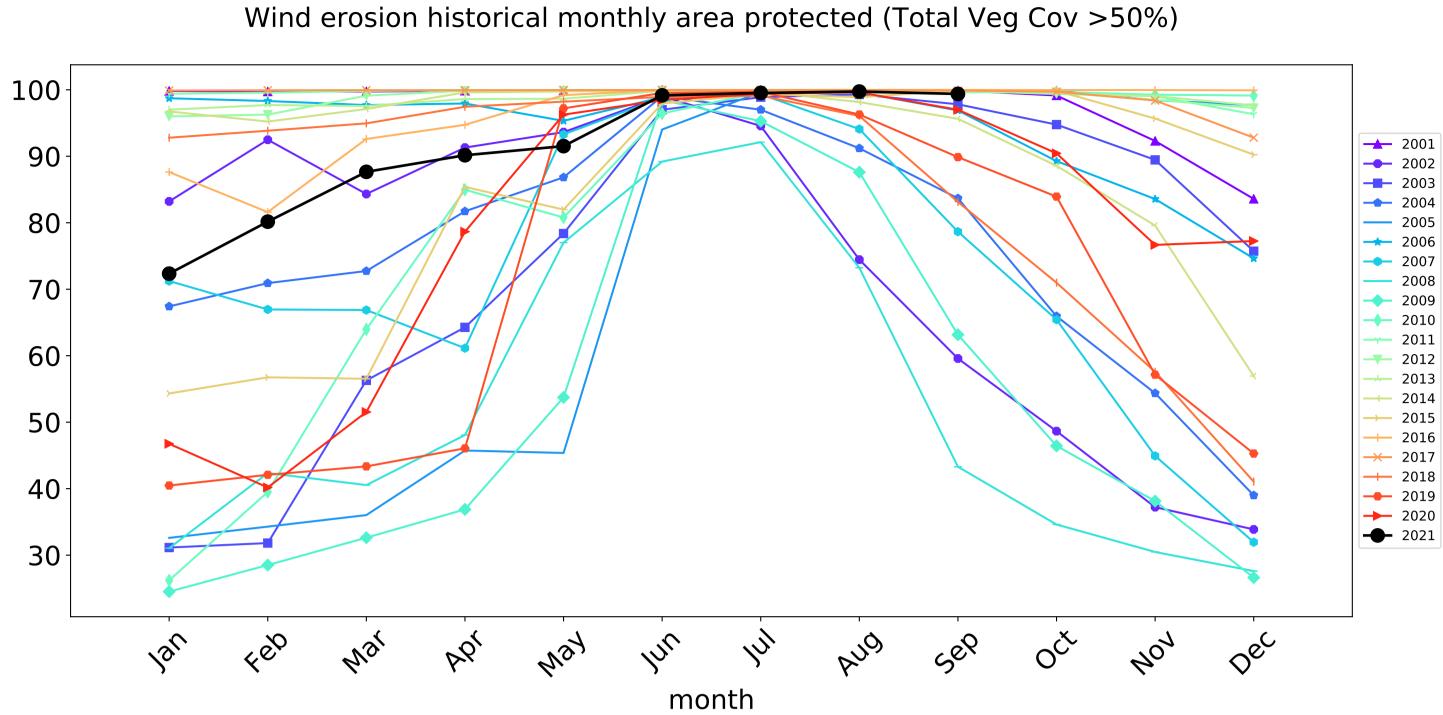


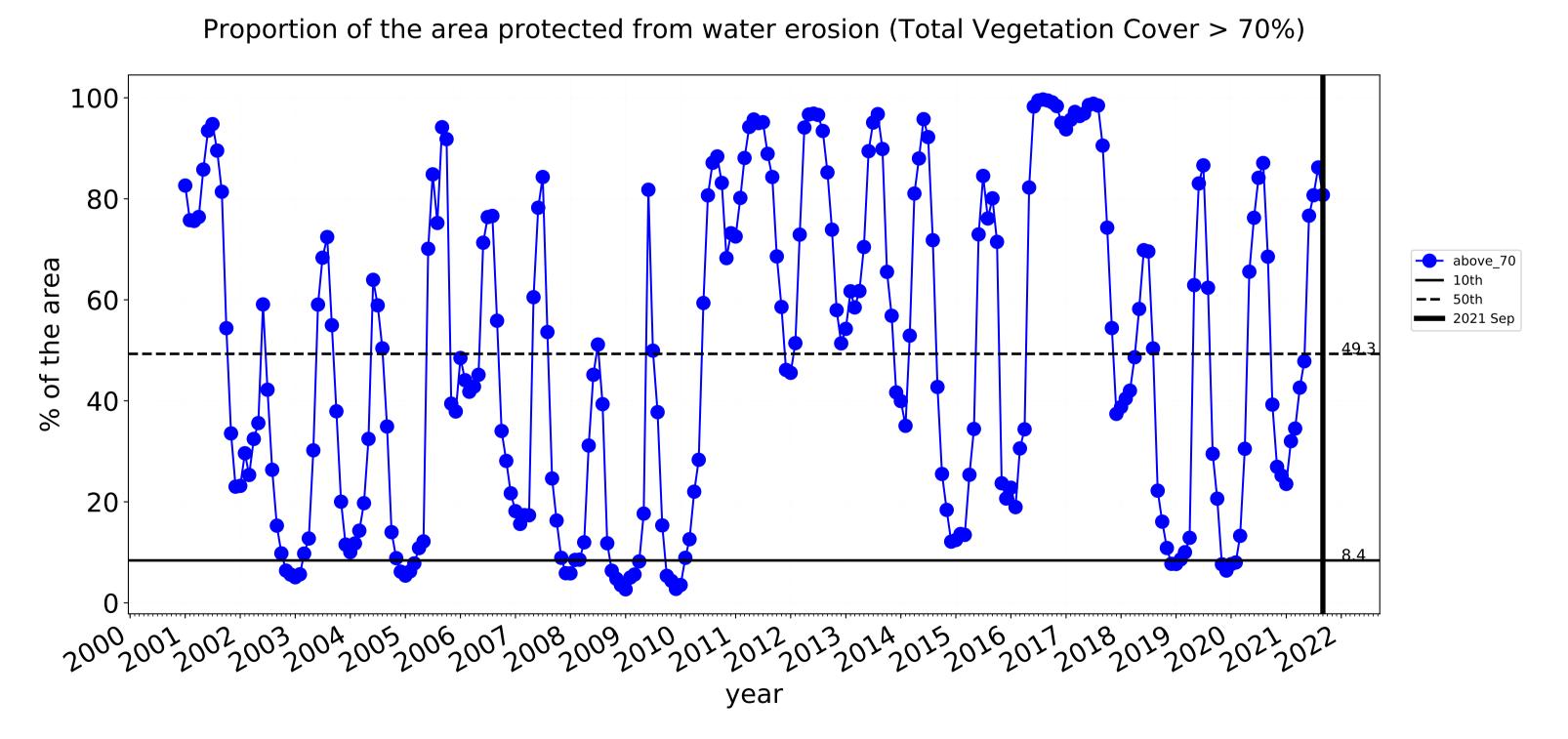


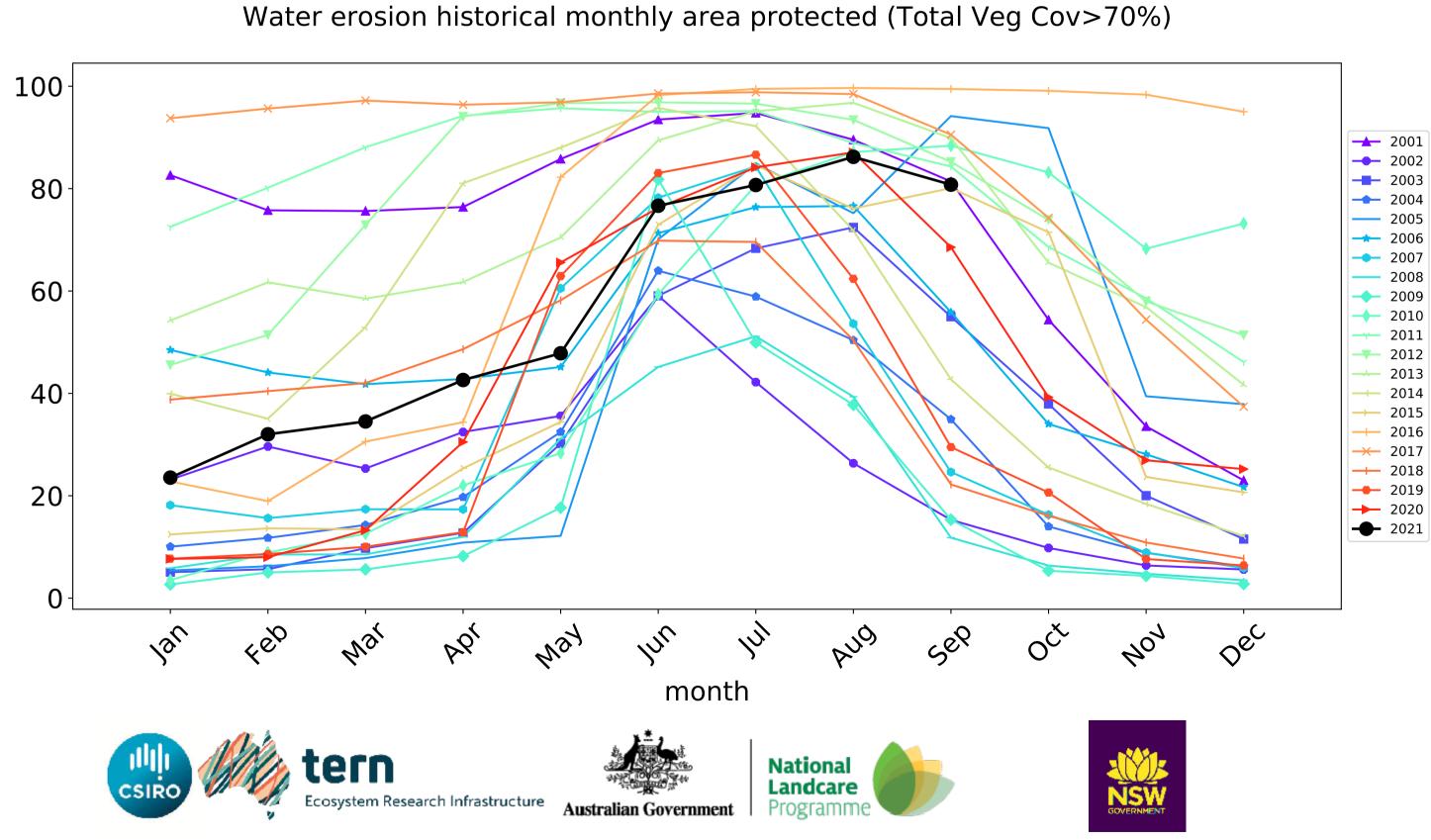


### **Grazing timeseries**









### **Grazing non forest**

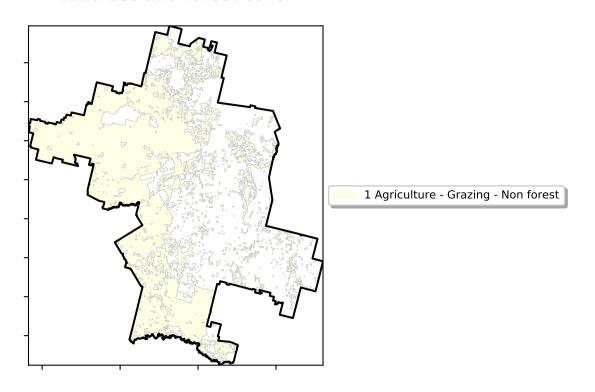
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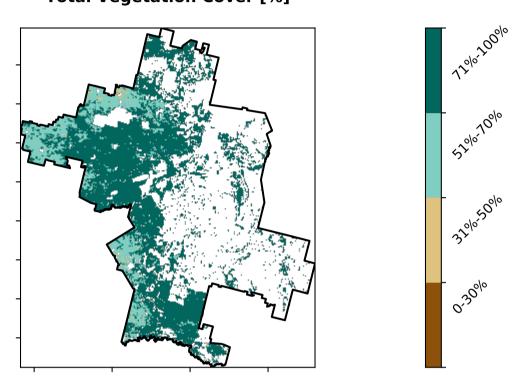
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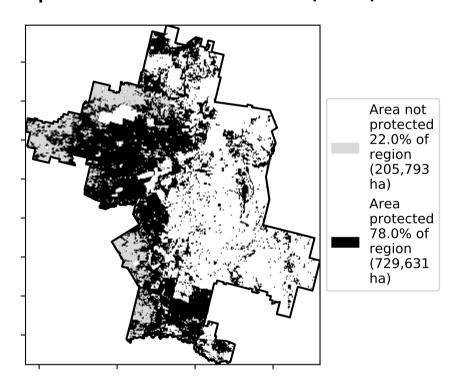
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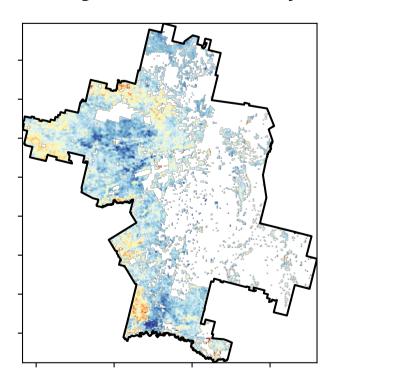
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### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

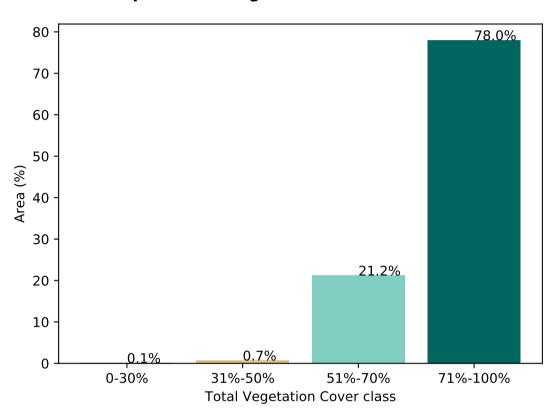


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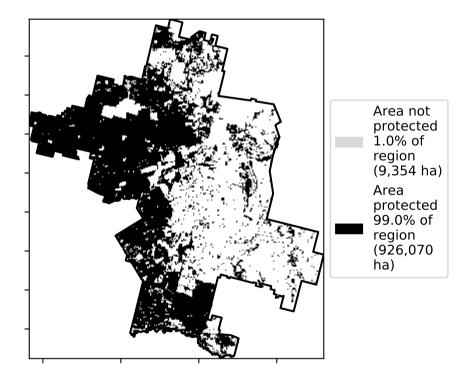


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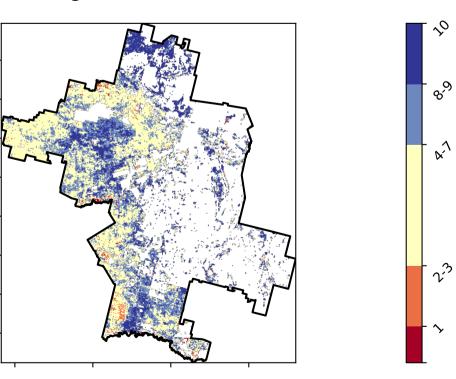
### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]











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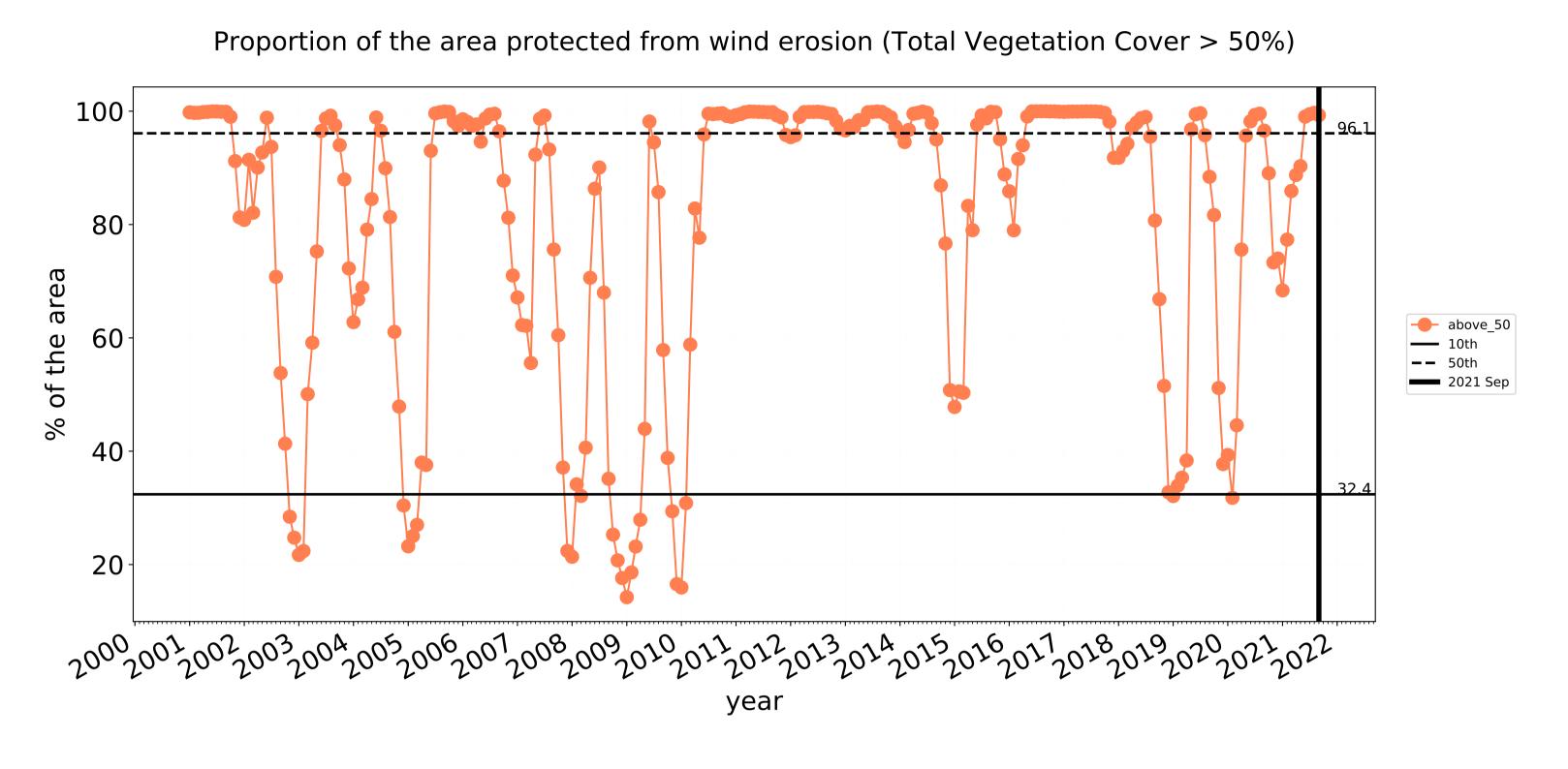
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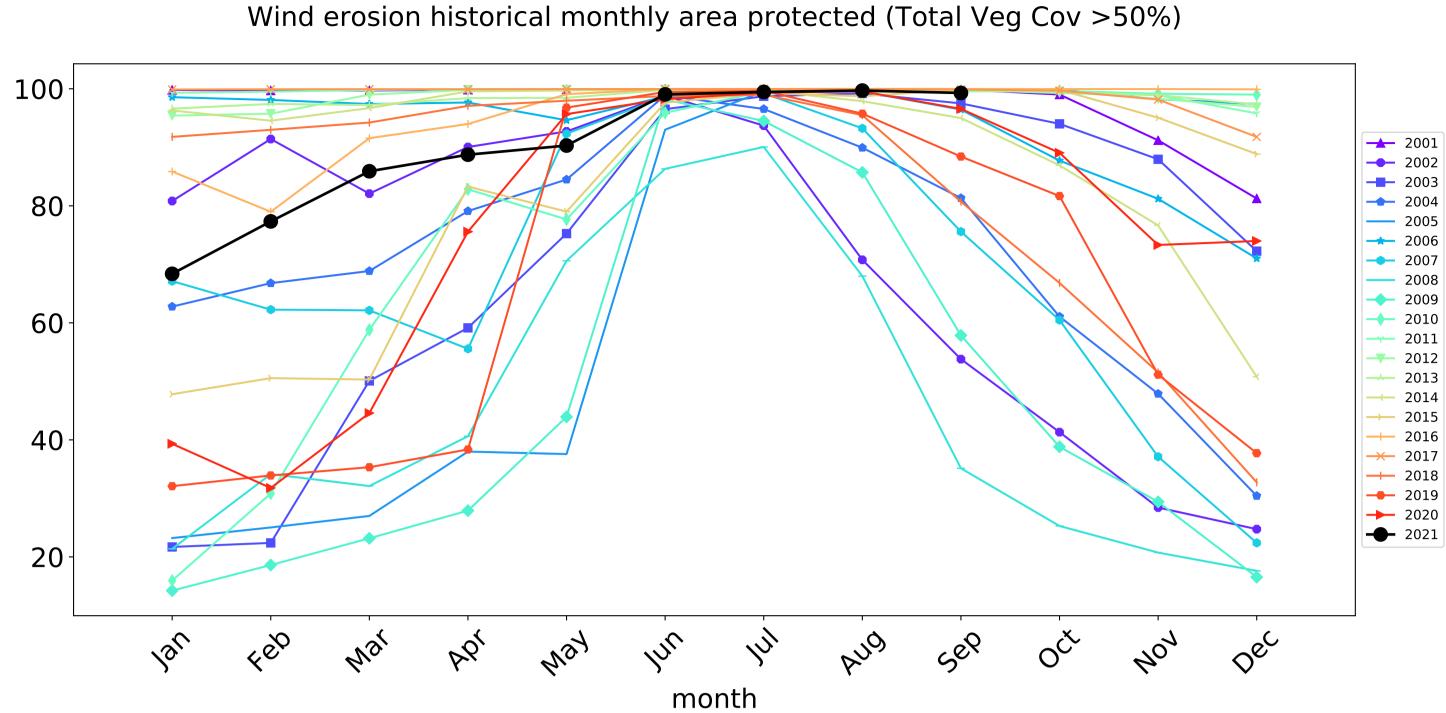
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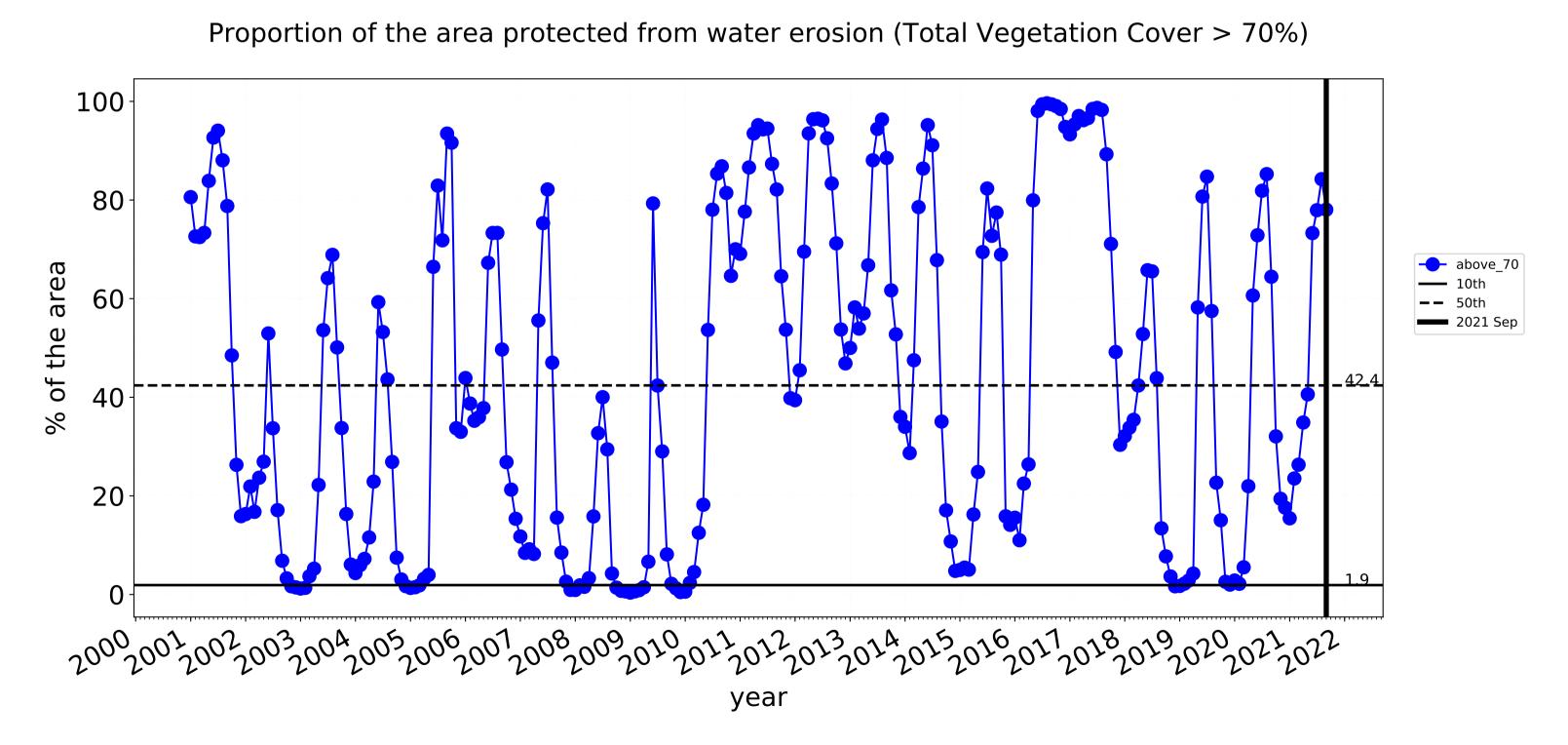
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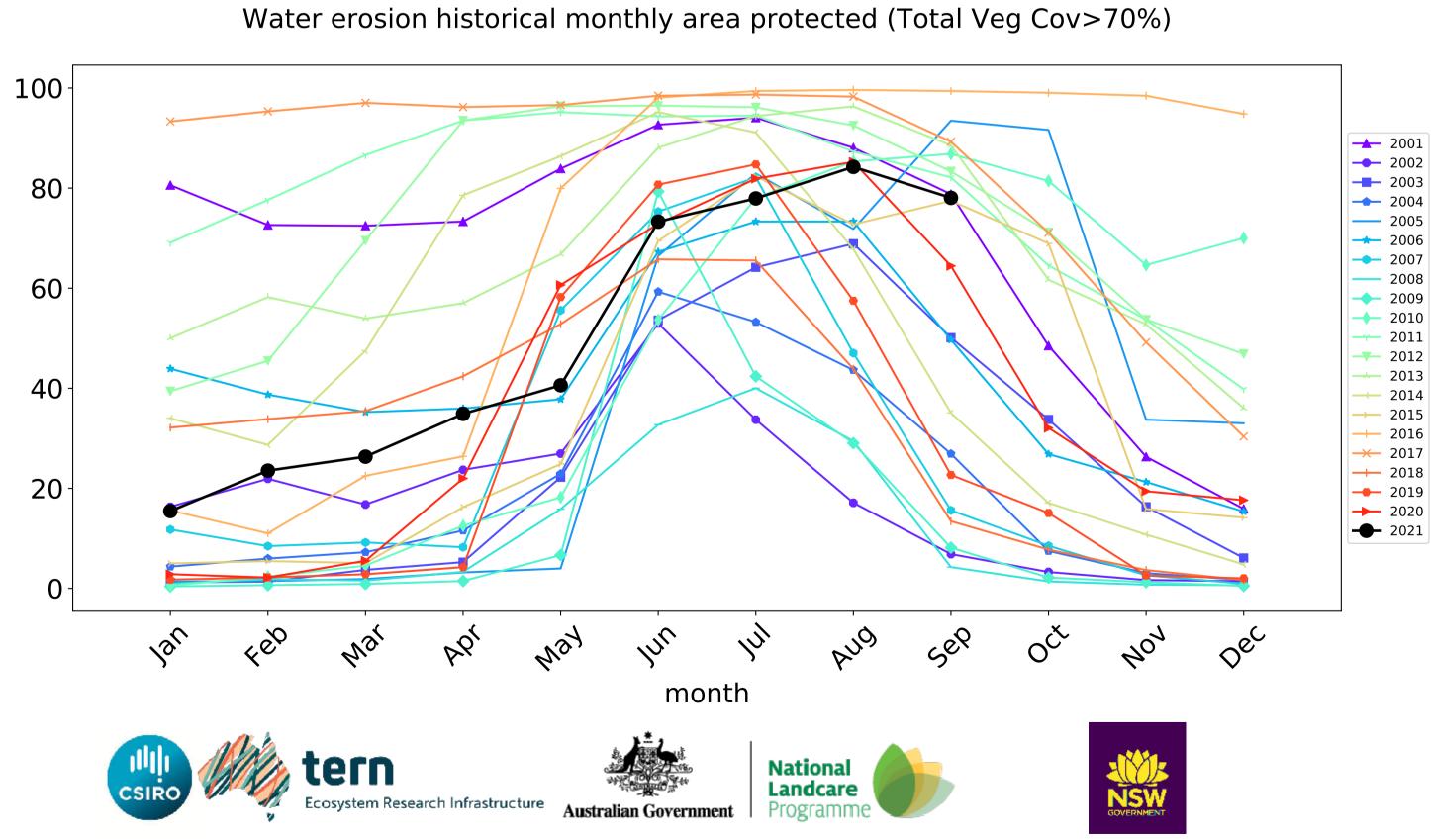
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### **Grazing non forest timeseries**









### **Grazing Woodland forest**

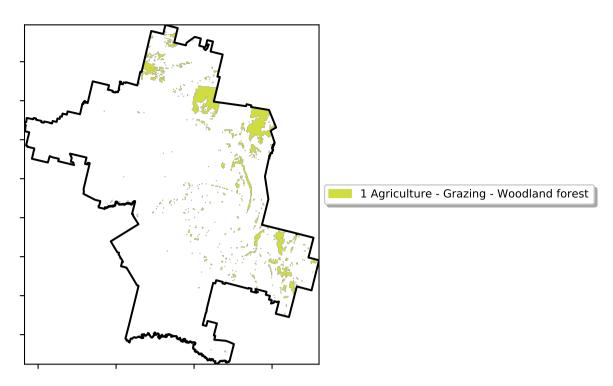
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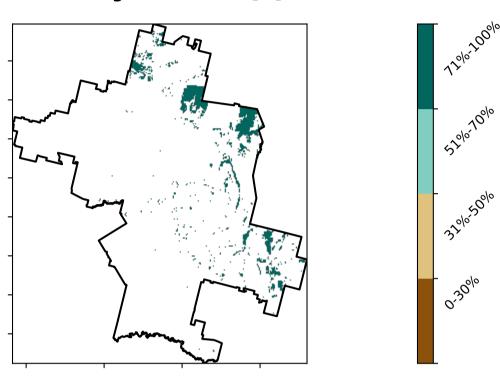
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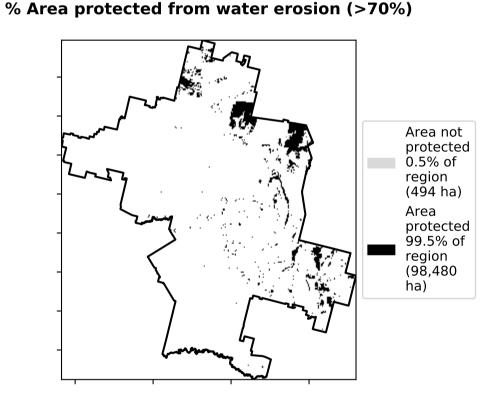
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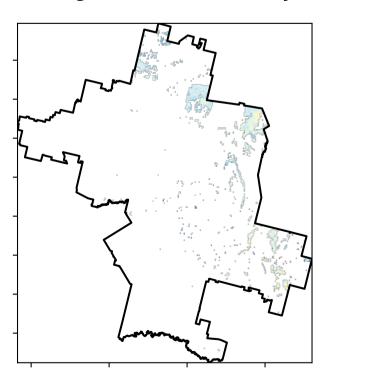


### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



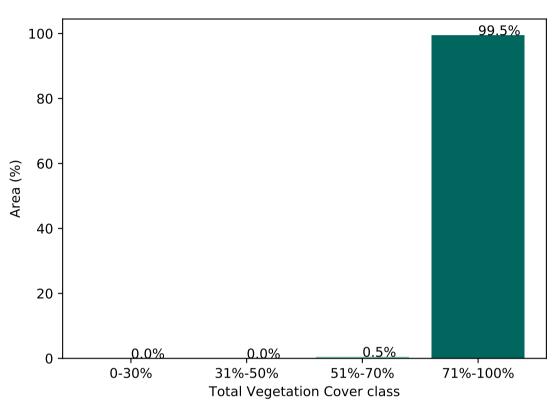


### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

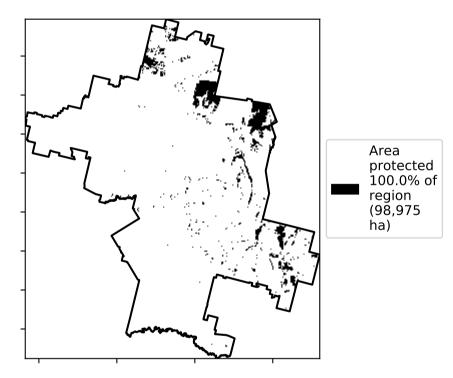


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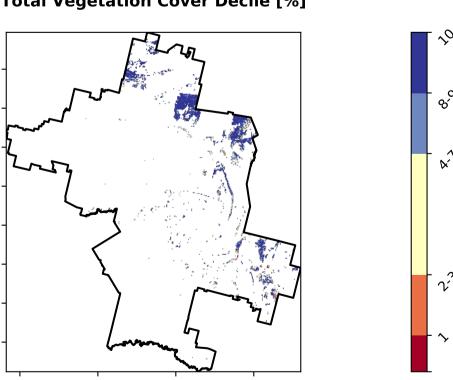
### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







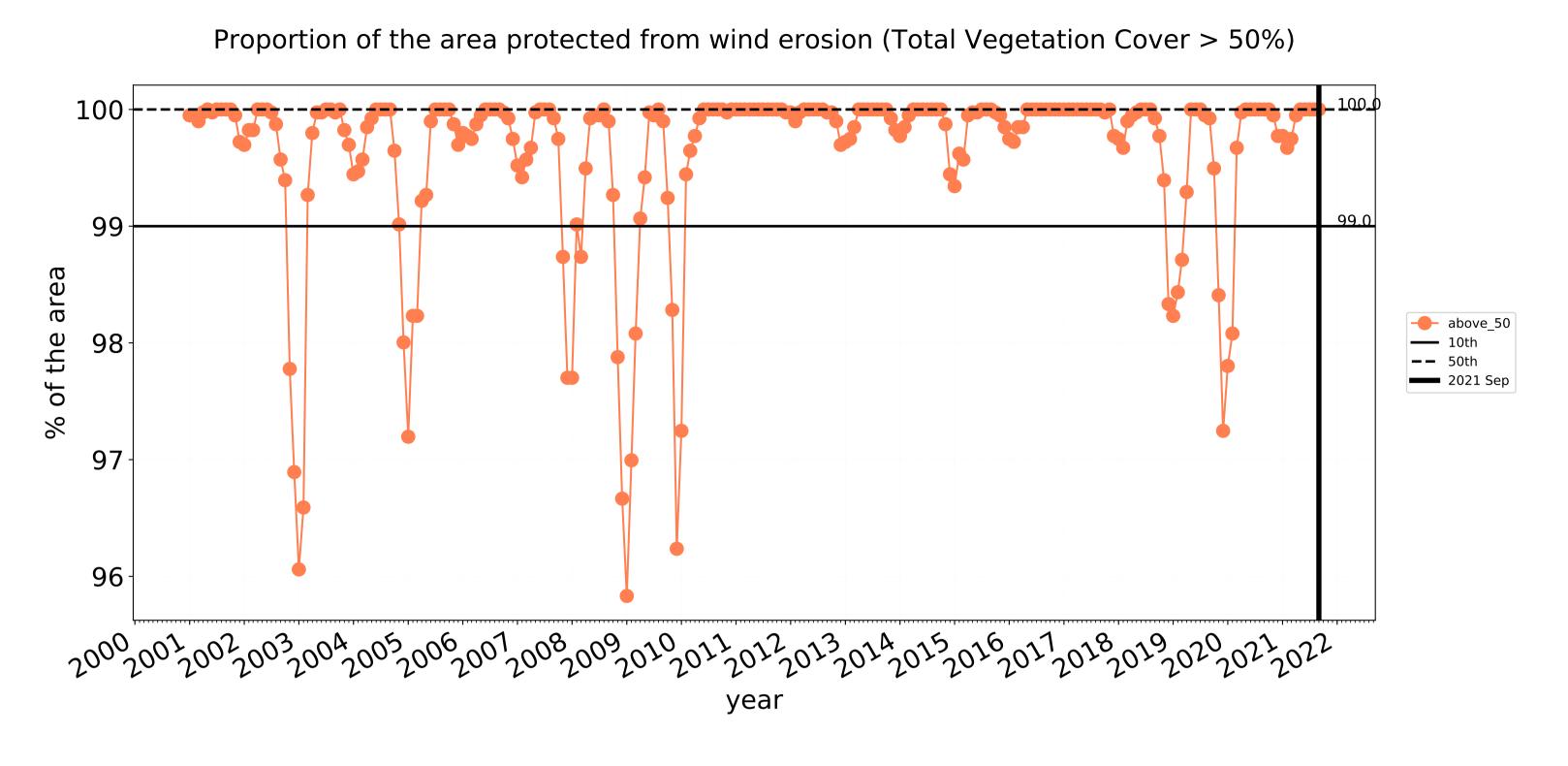
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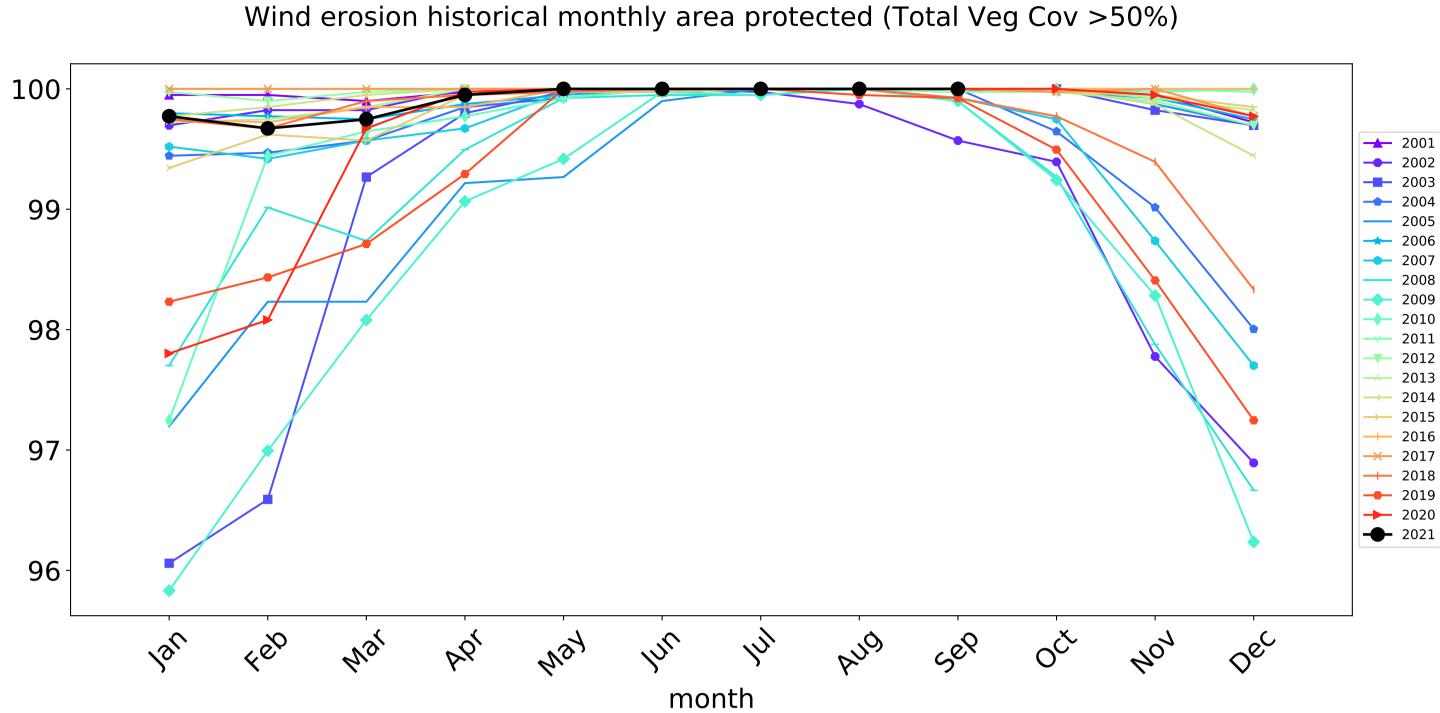
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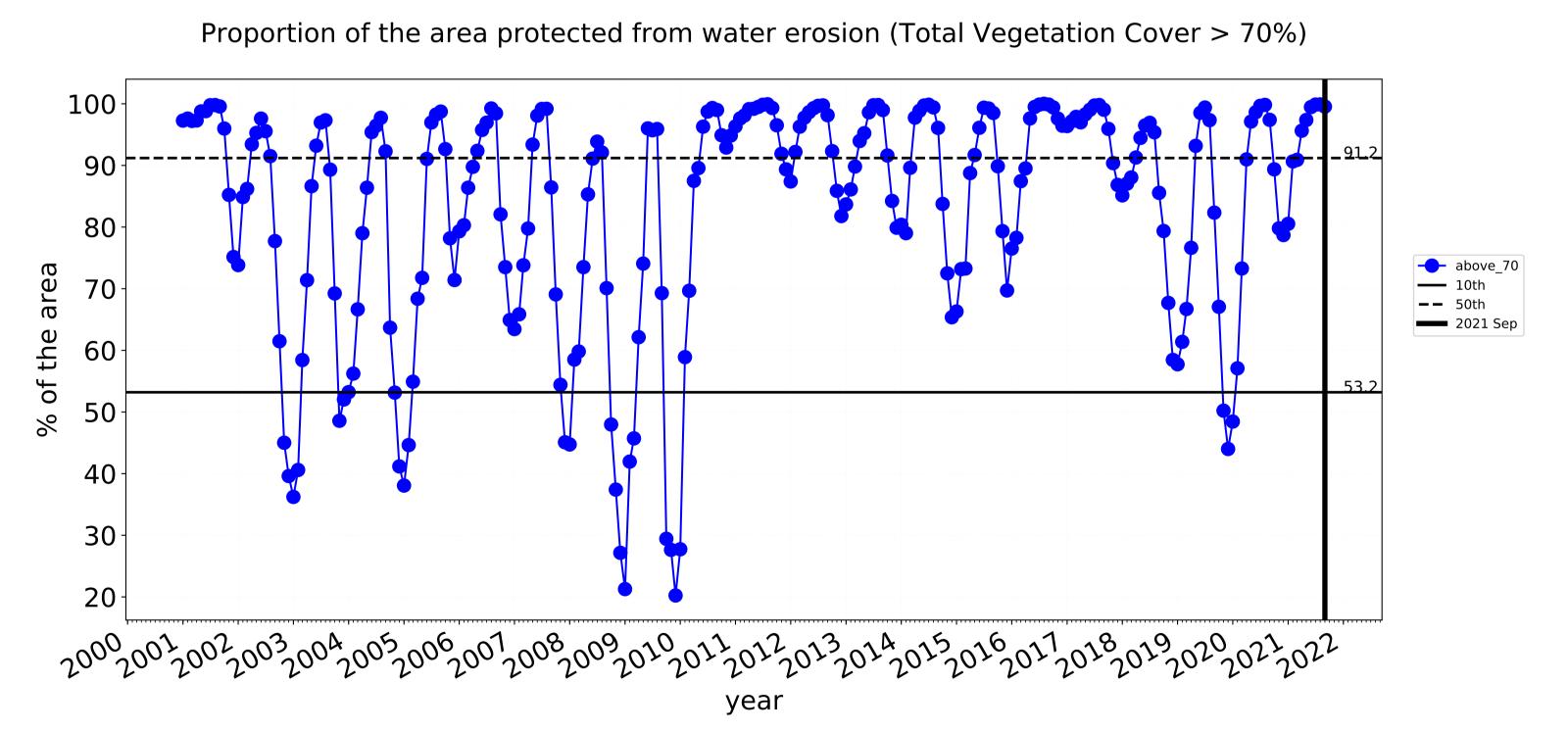


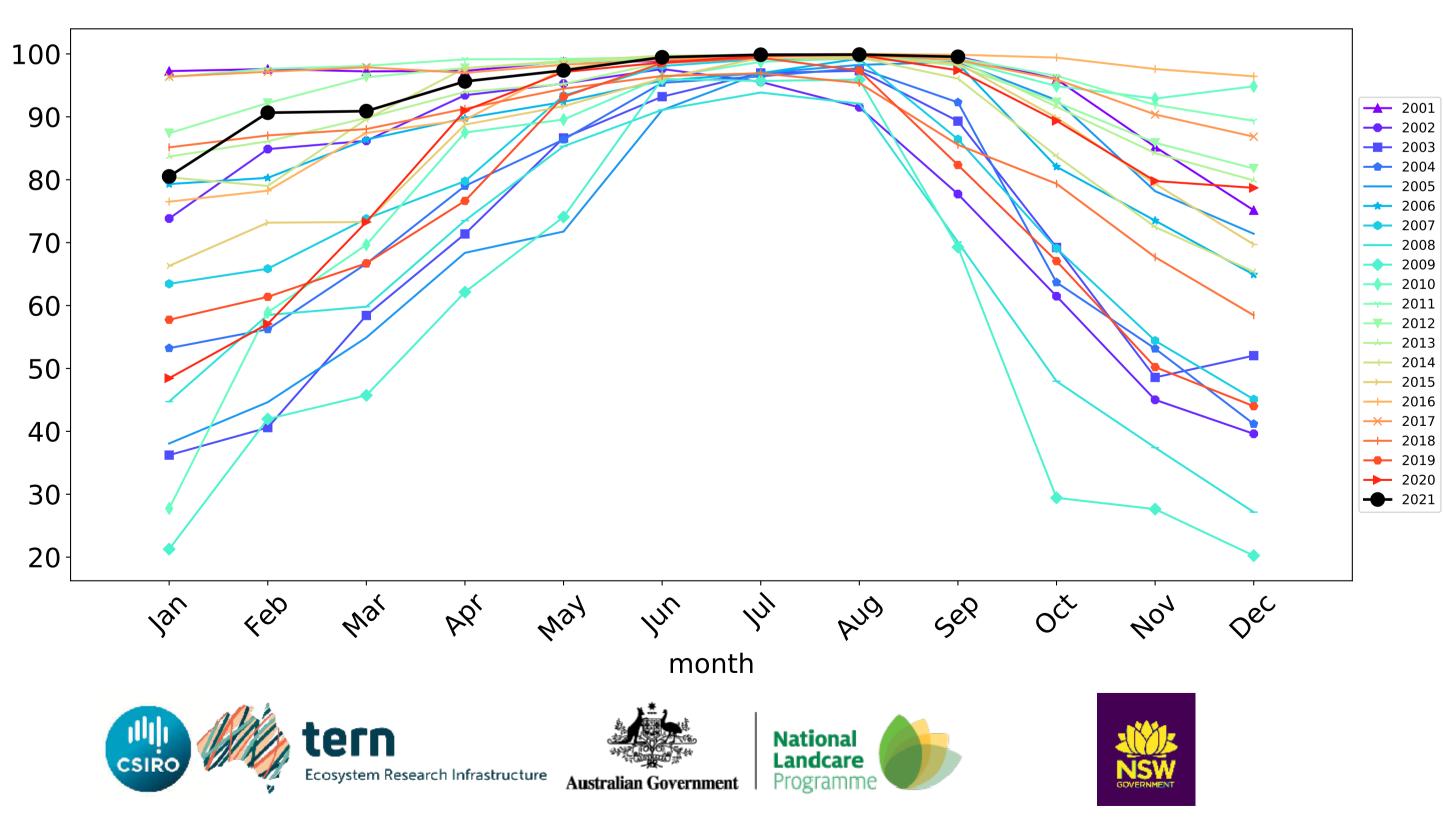


### **Grazing Woodland forest timeseries**









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

### **Grazing - Forest (non woodland)**

### Land use and forest cover

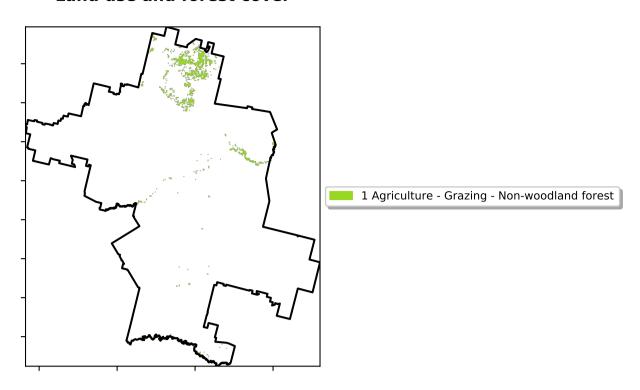
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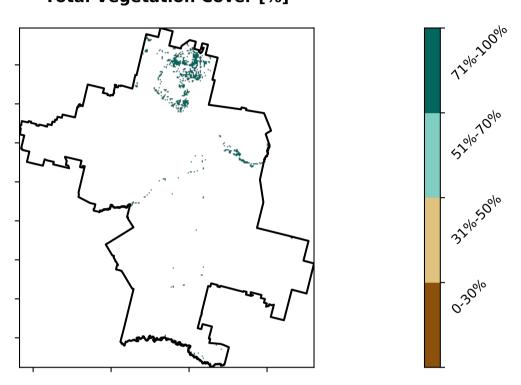
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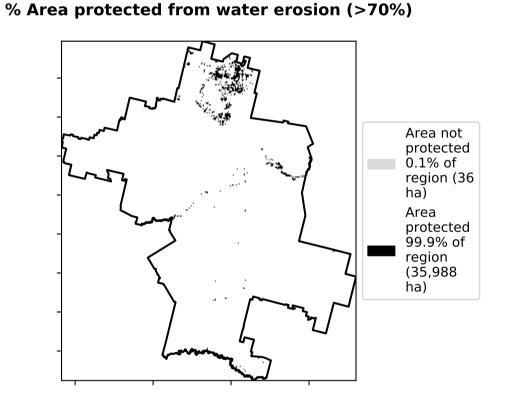
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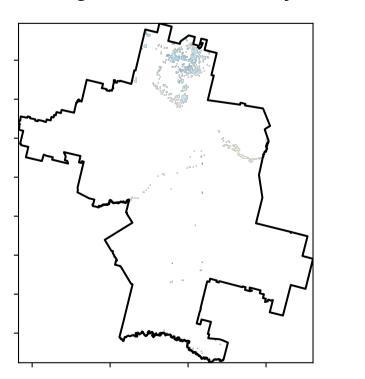


### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**





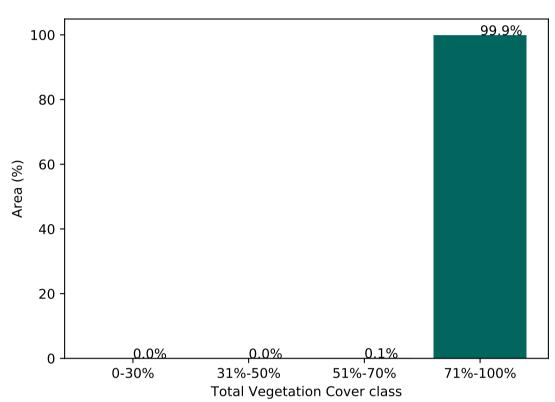
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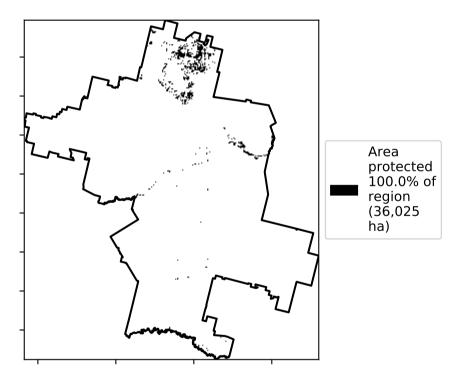
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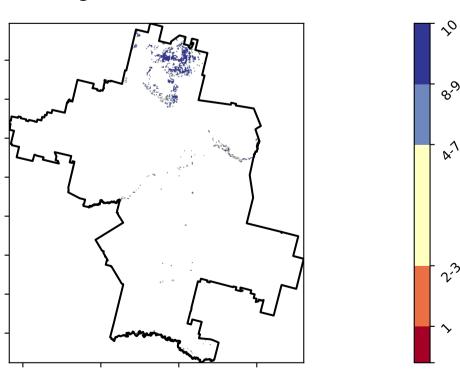
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### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





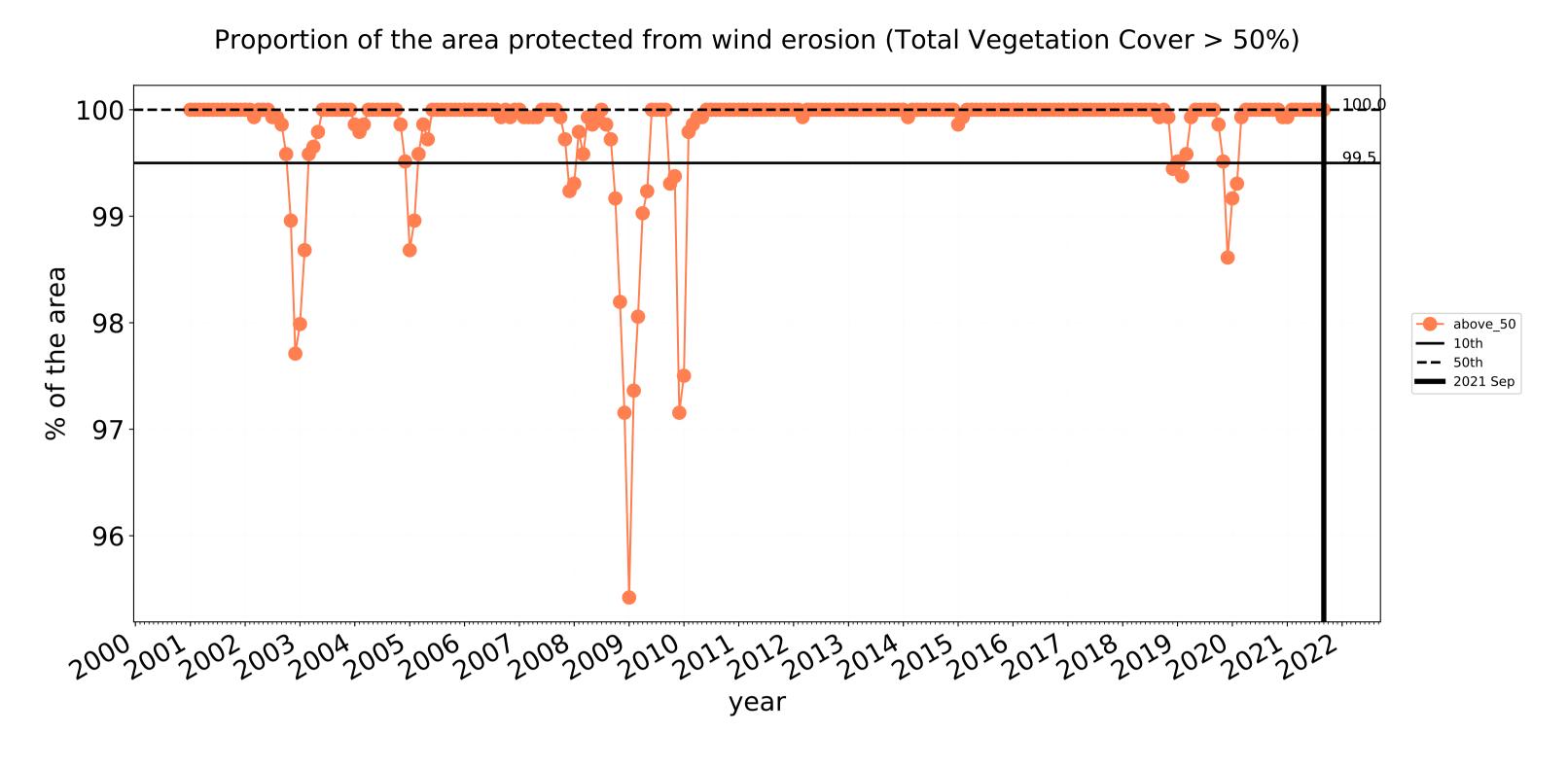


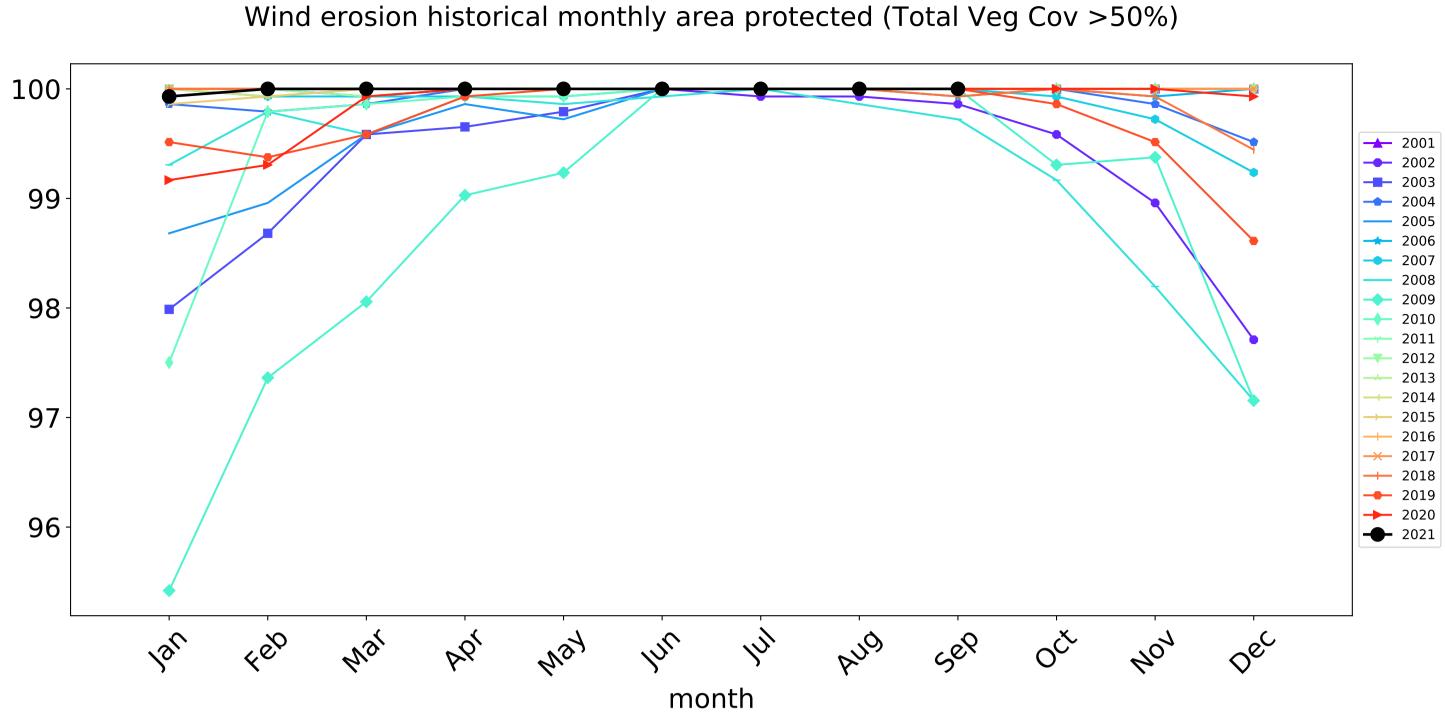


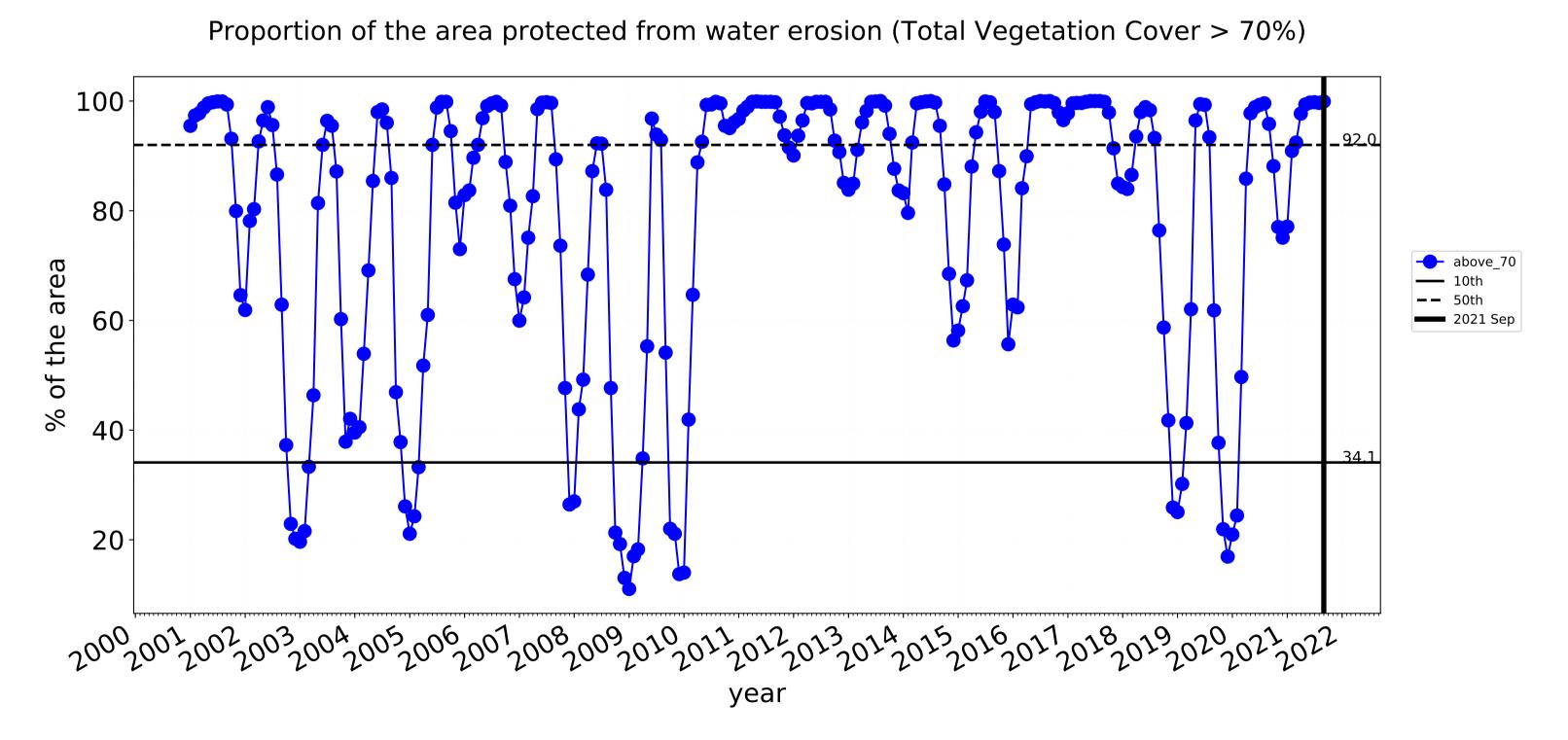


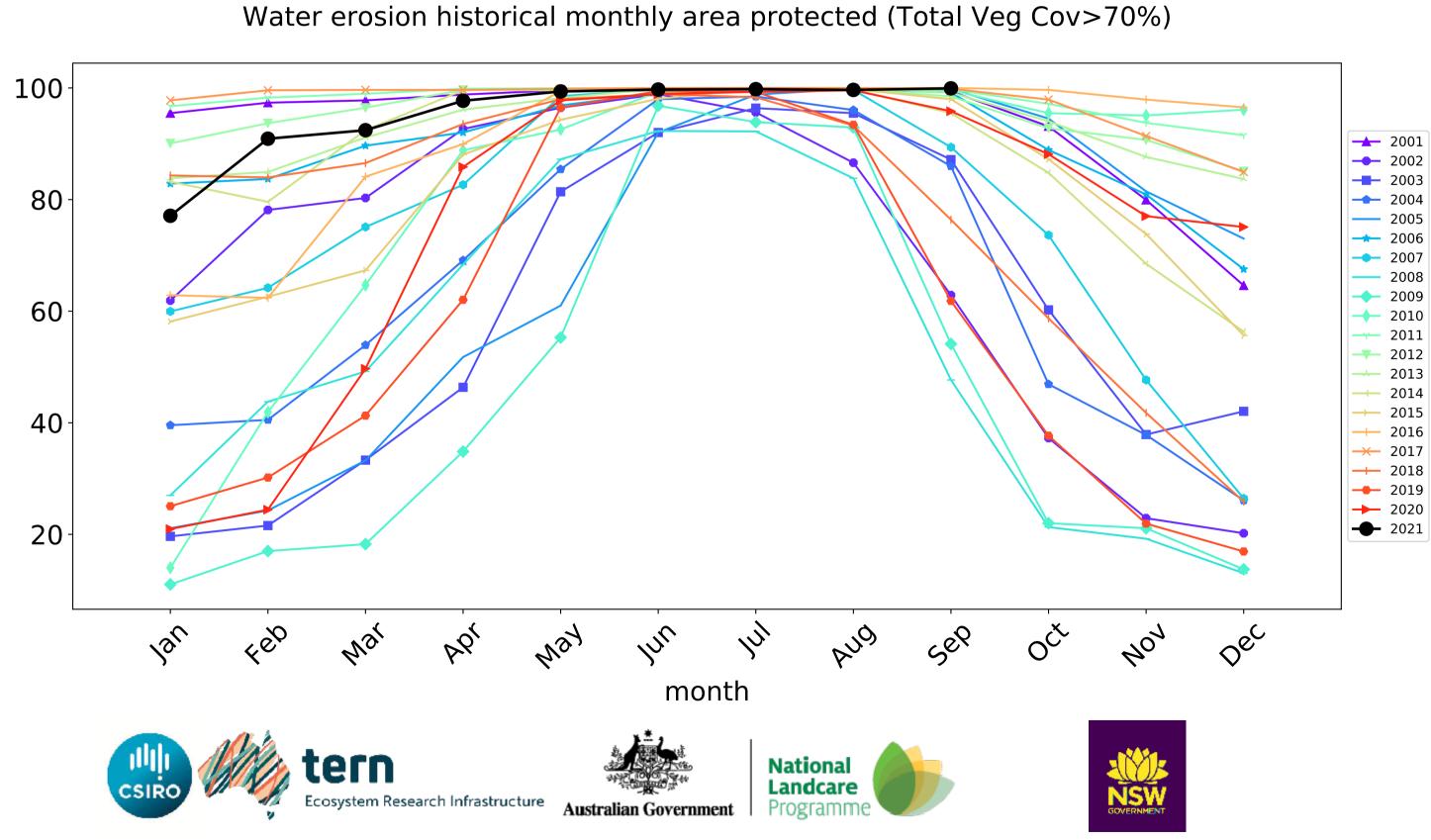












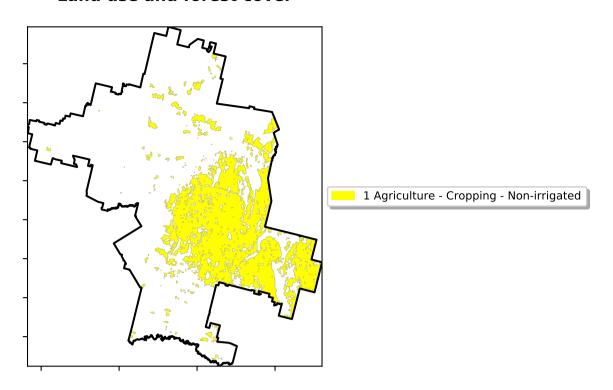
## **Cropping**

### Land use and forest cover

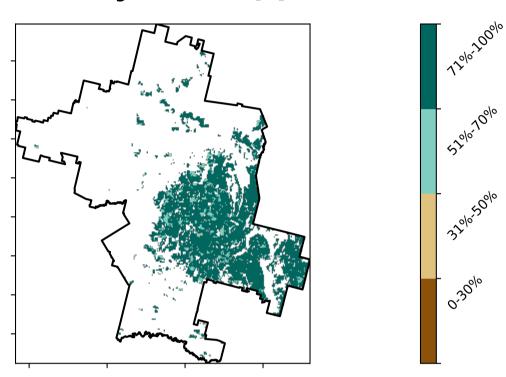
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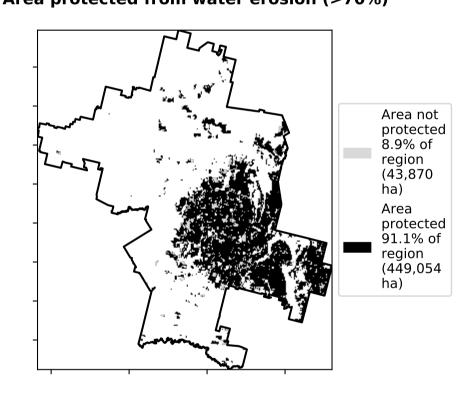
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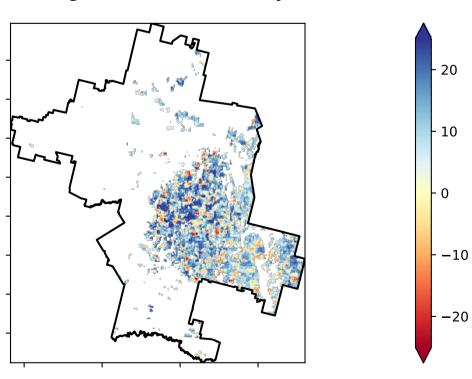
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

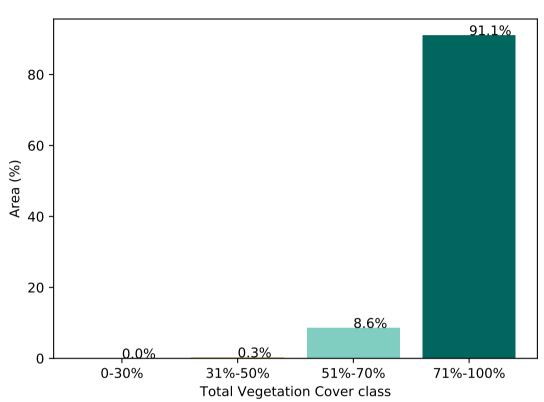


### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

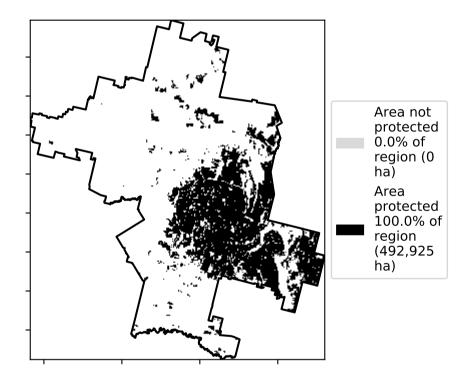


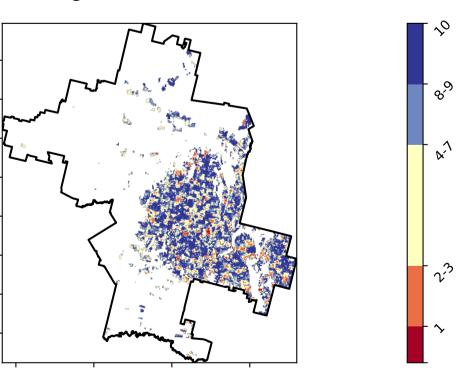
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### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





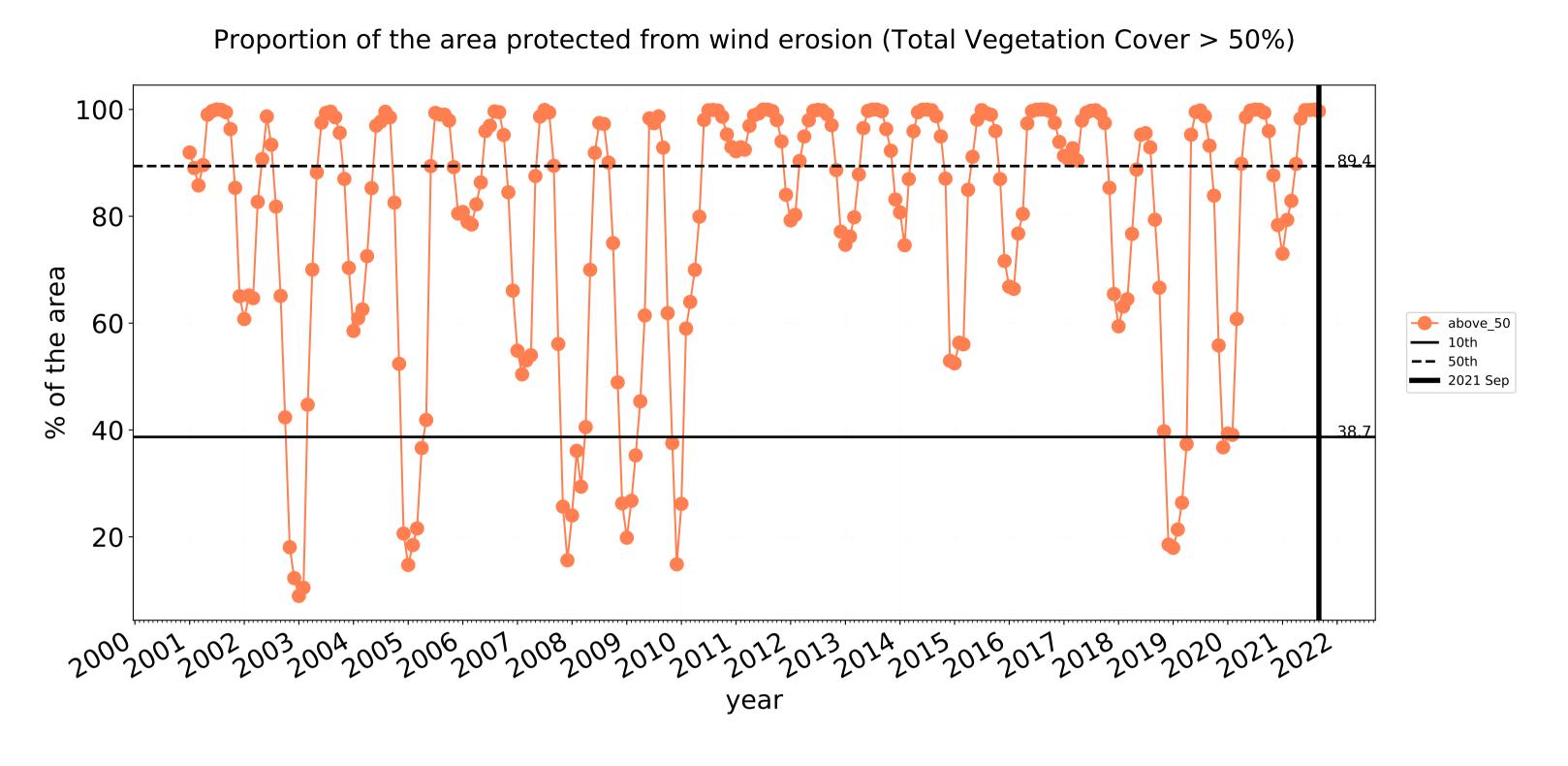


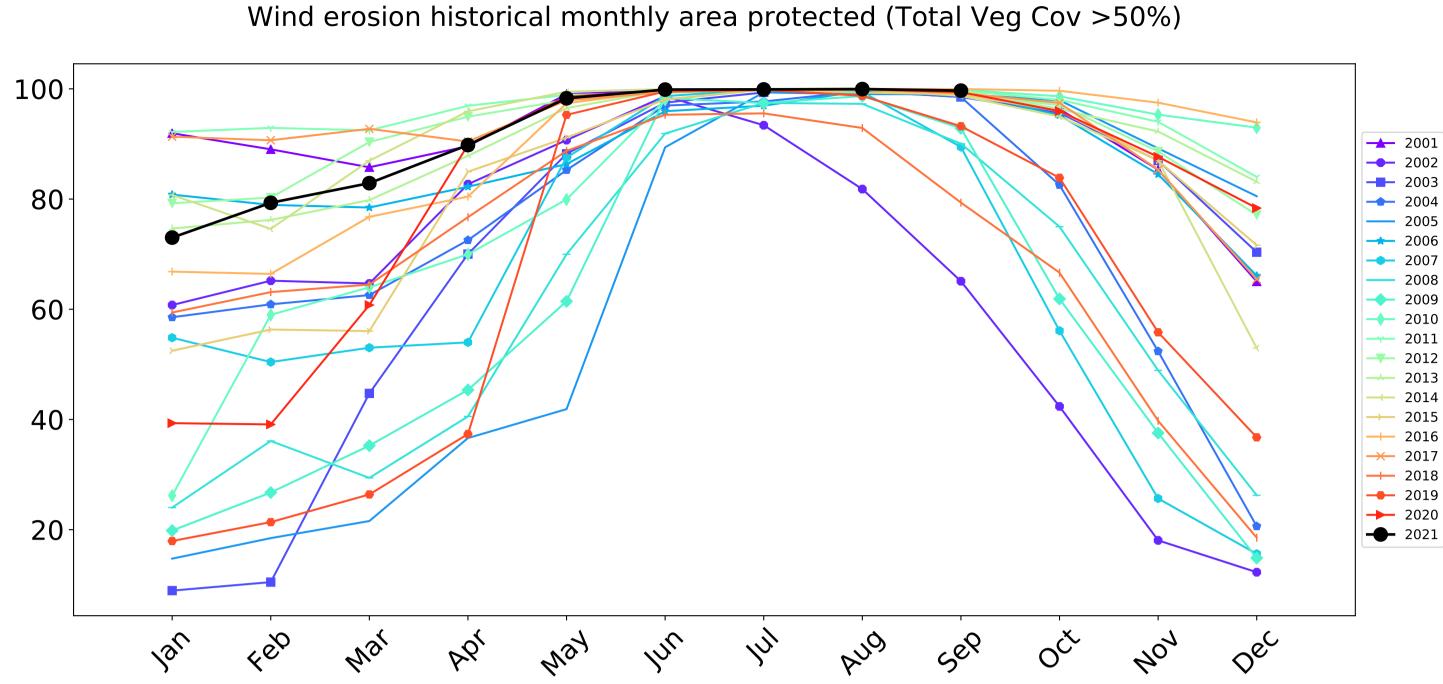




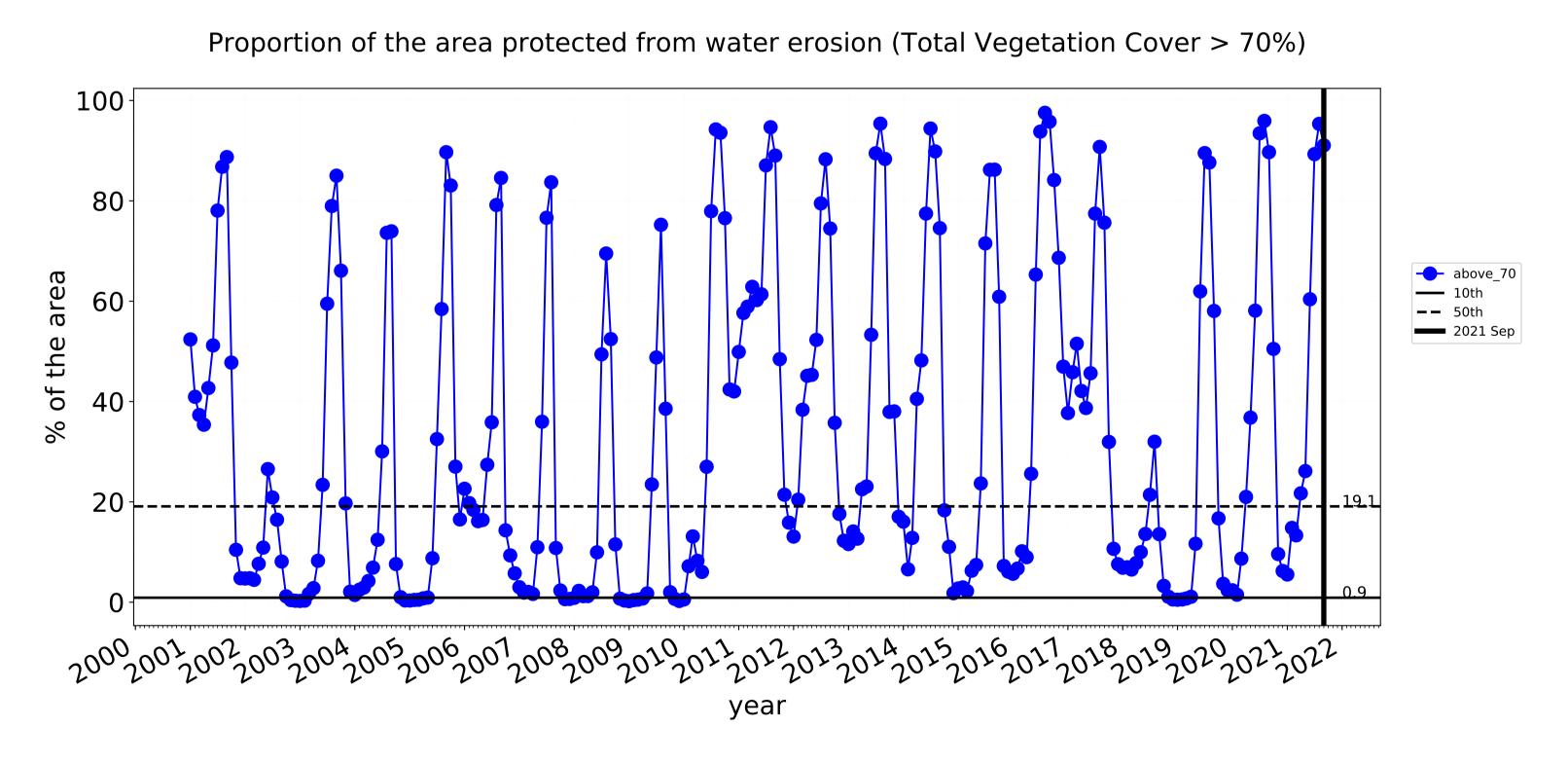


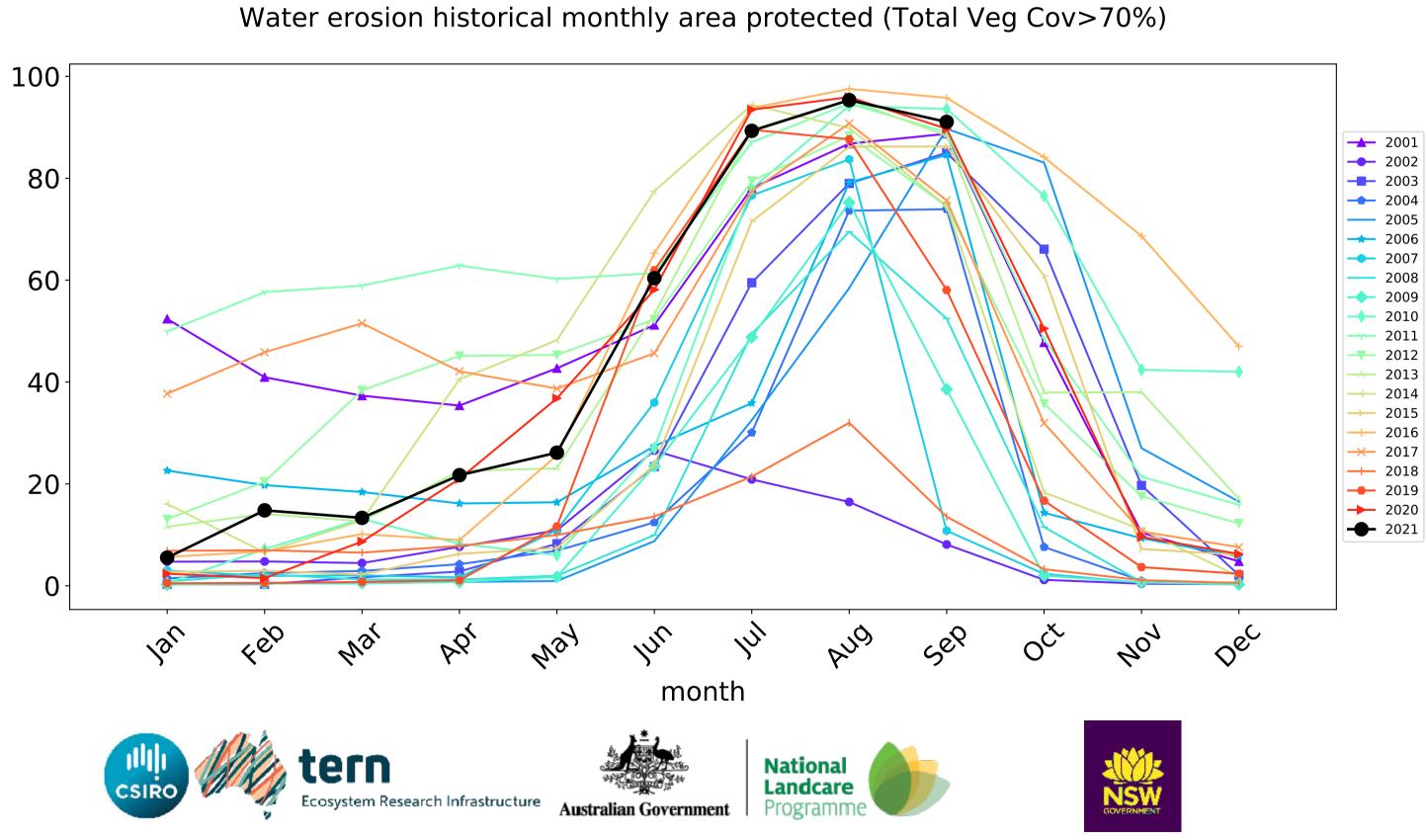
## **Cropping timeseries**





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### Irrigation

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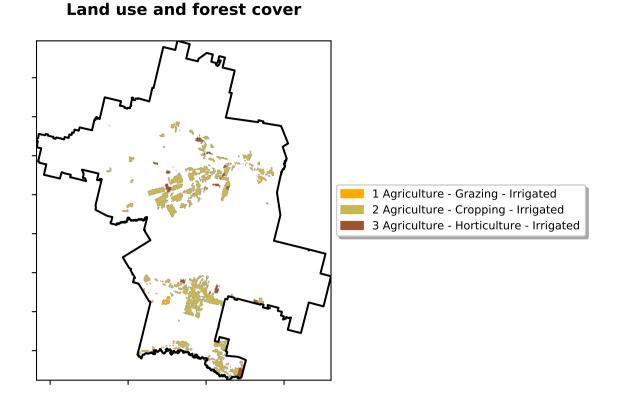
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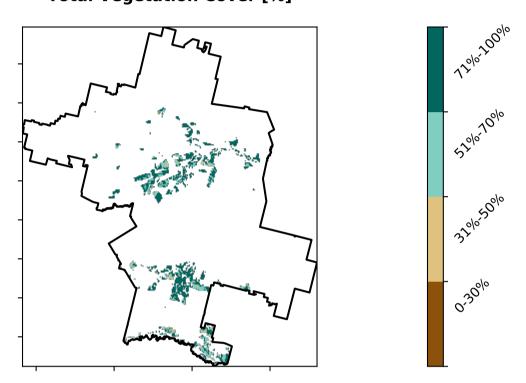
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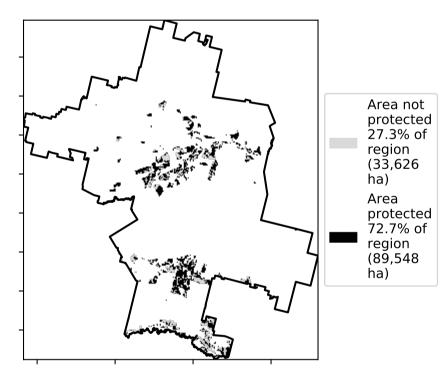
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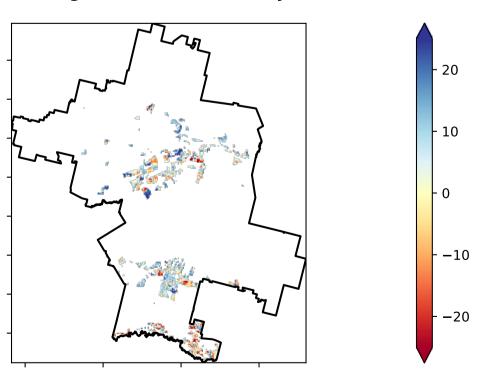
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

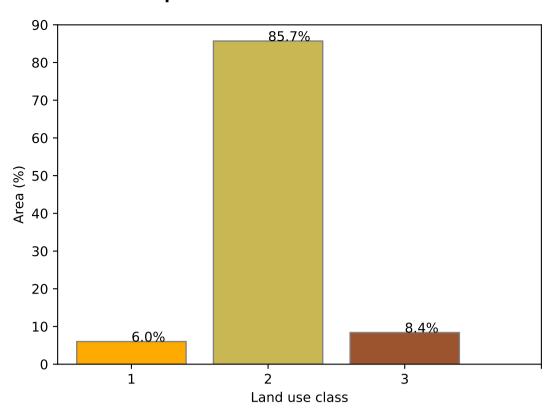


### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

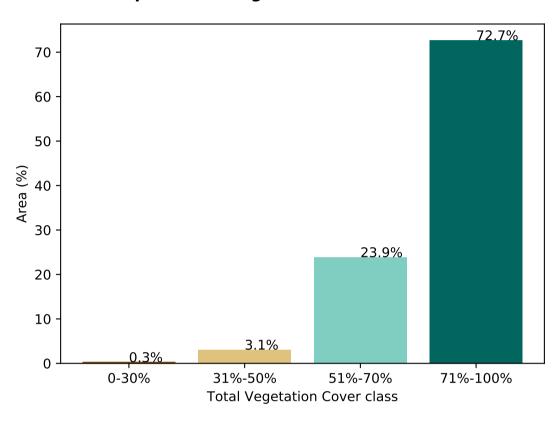


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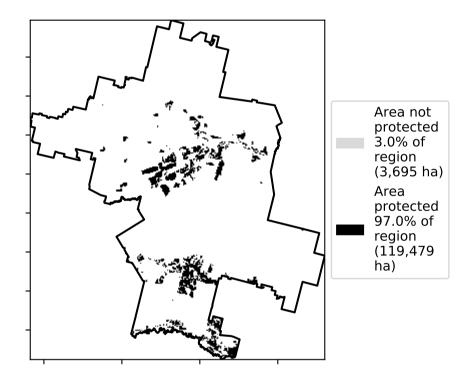
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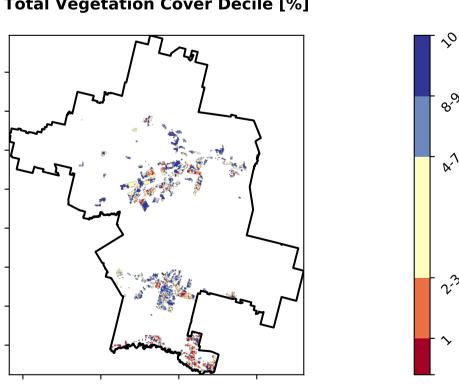


### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)







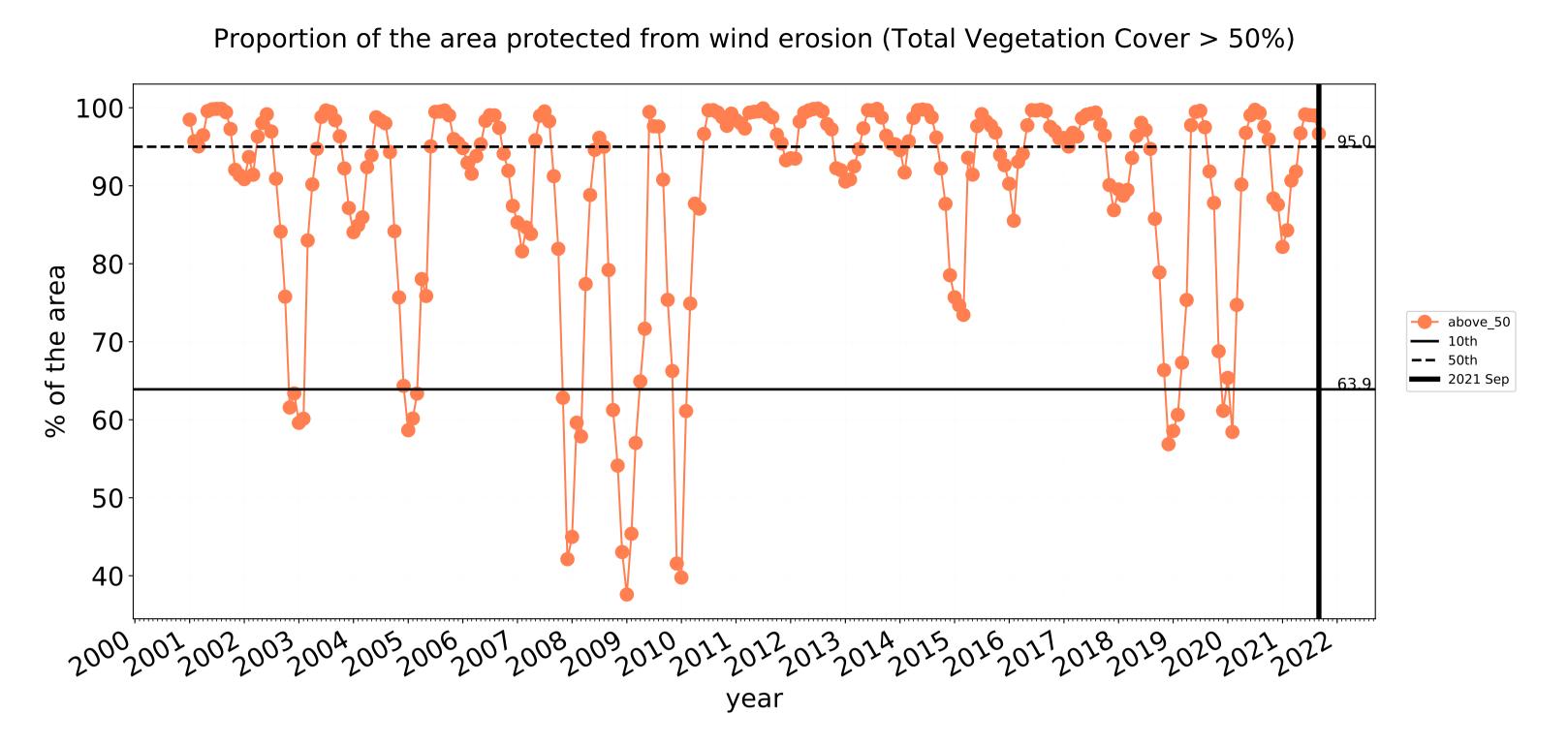


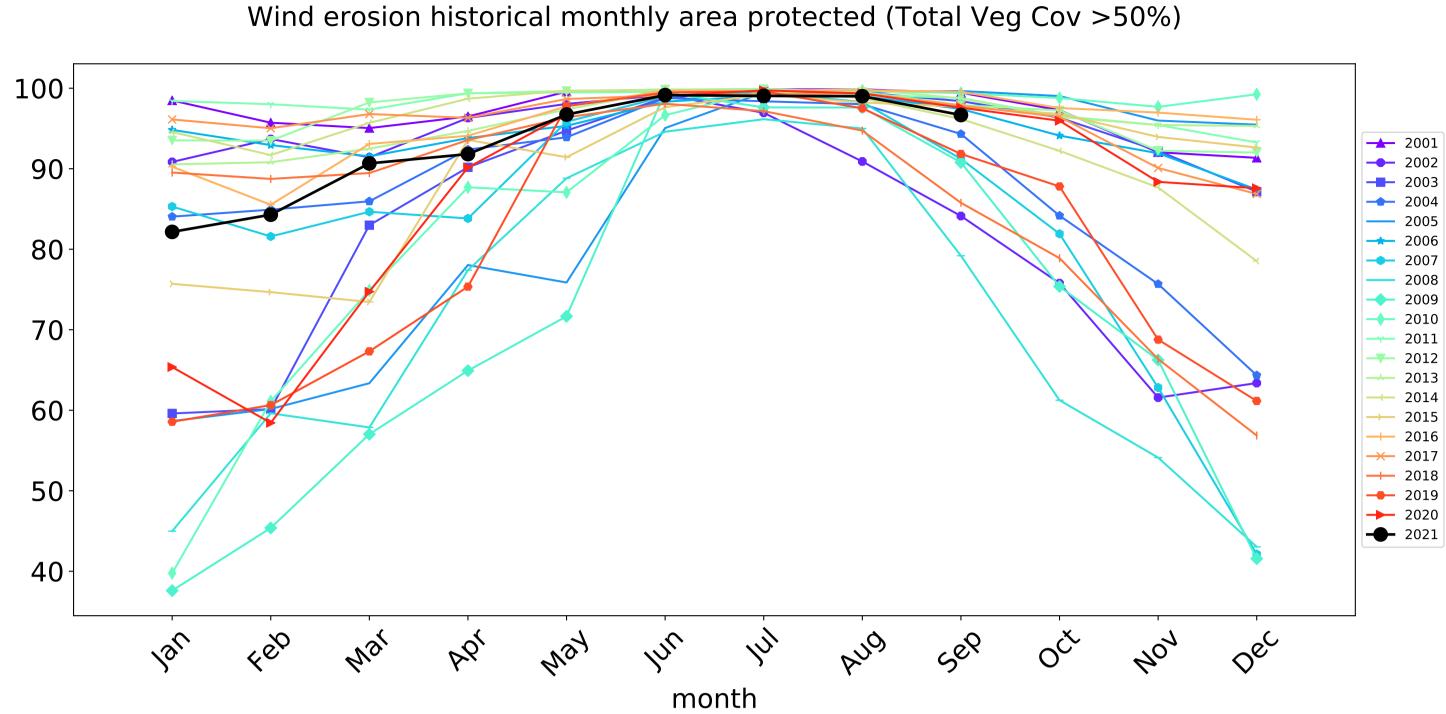


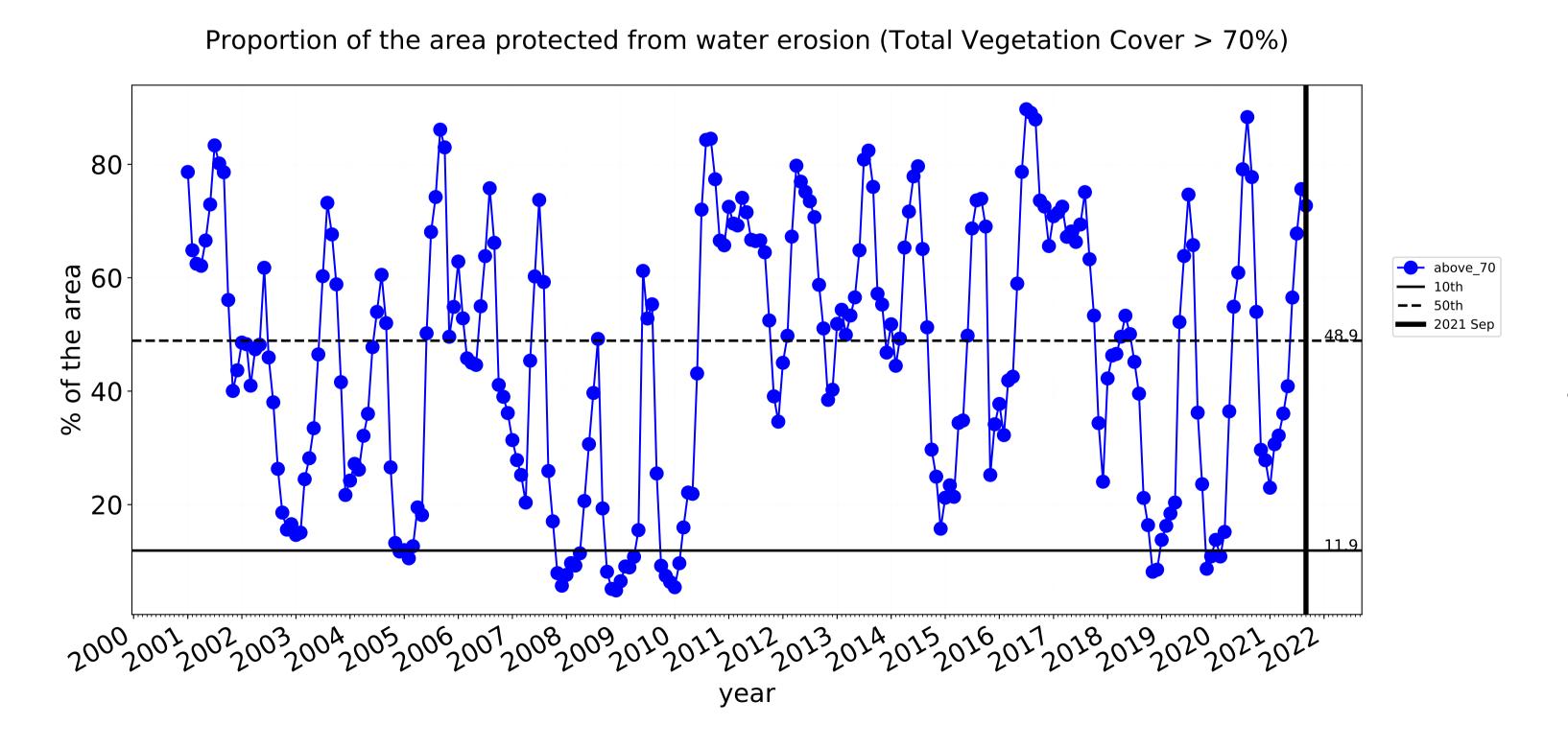


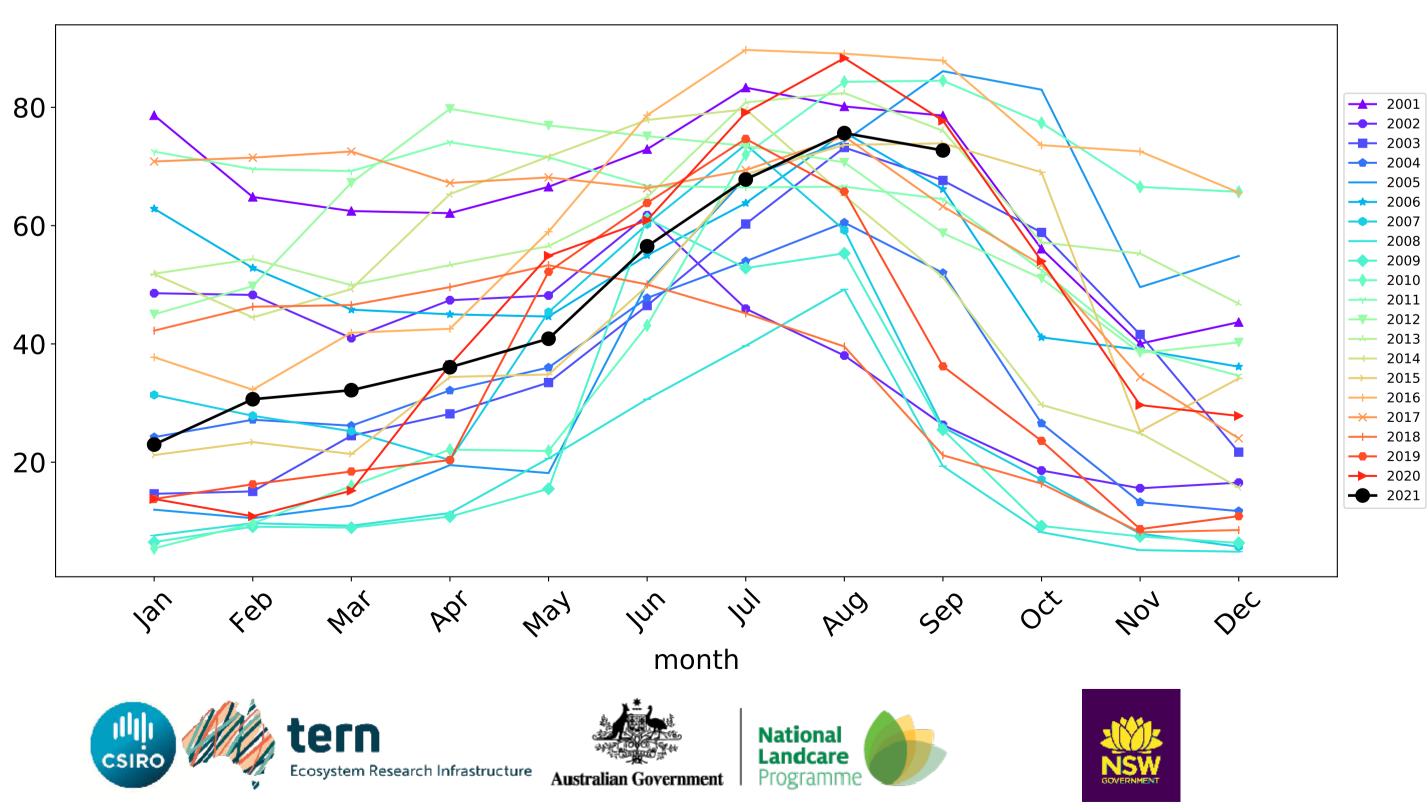












Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

## **Production native forests and plantation forests**

# Land use and forest cover

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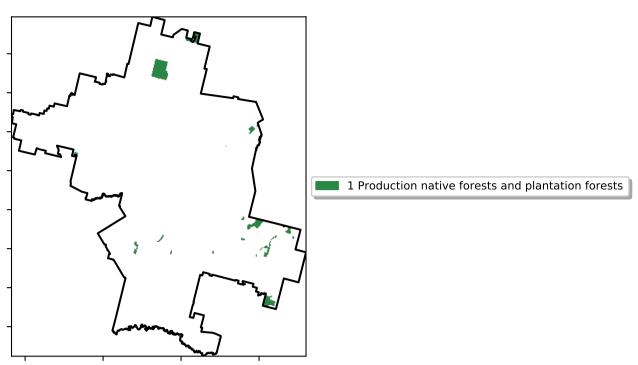
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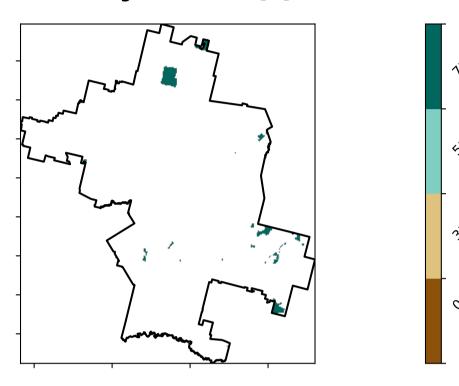
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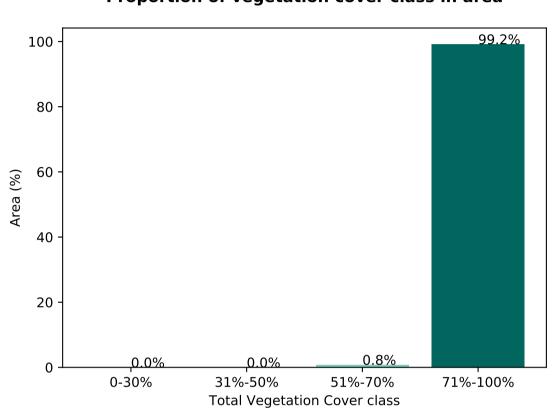
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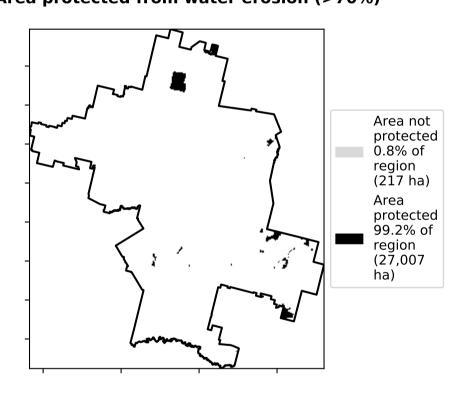
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



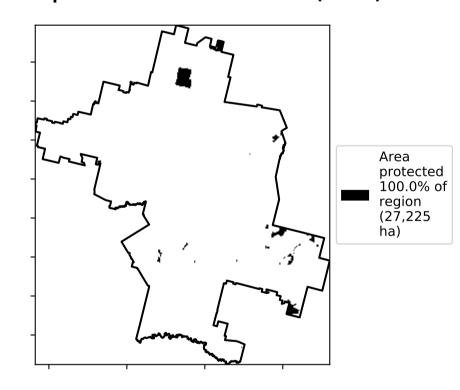
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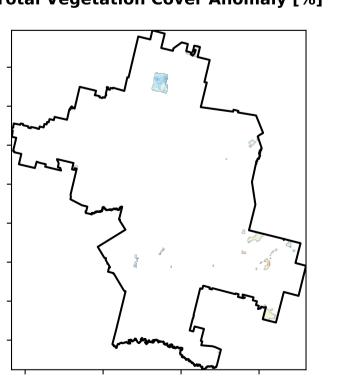
### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



### Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

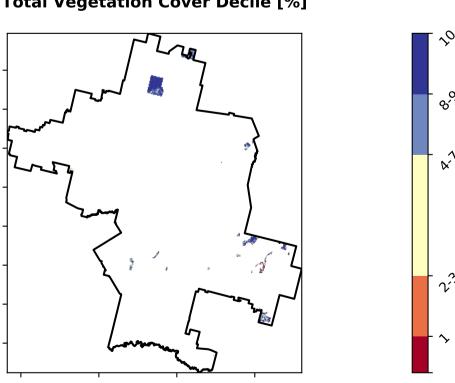


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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



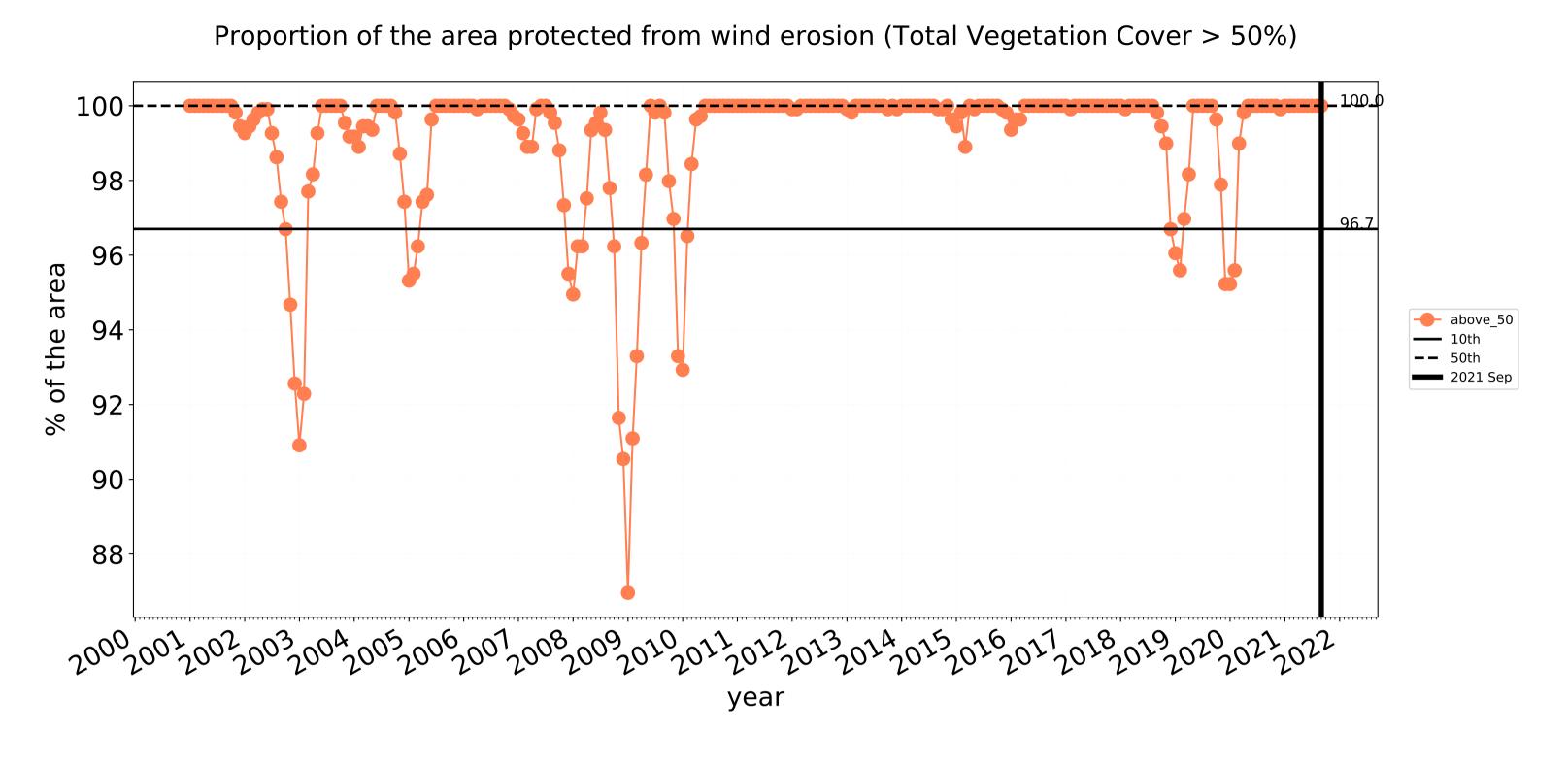


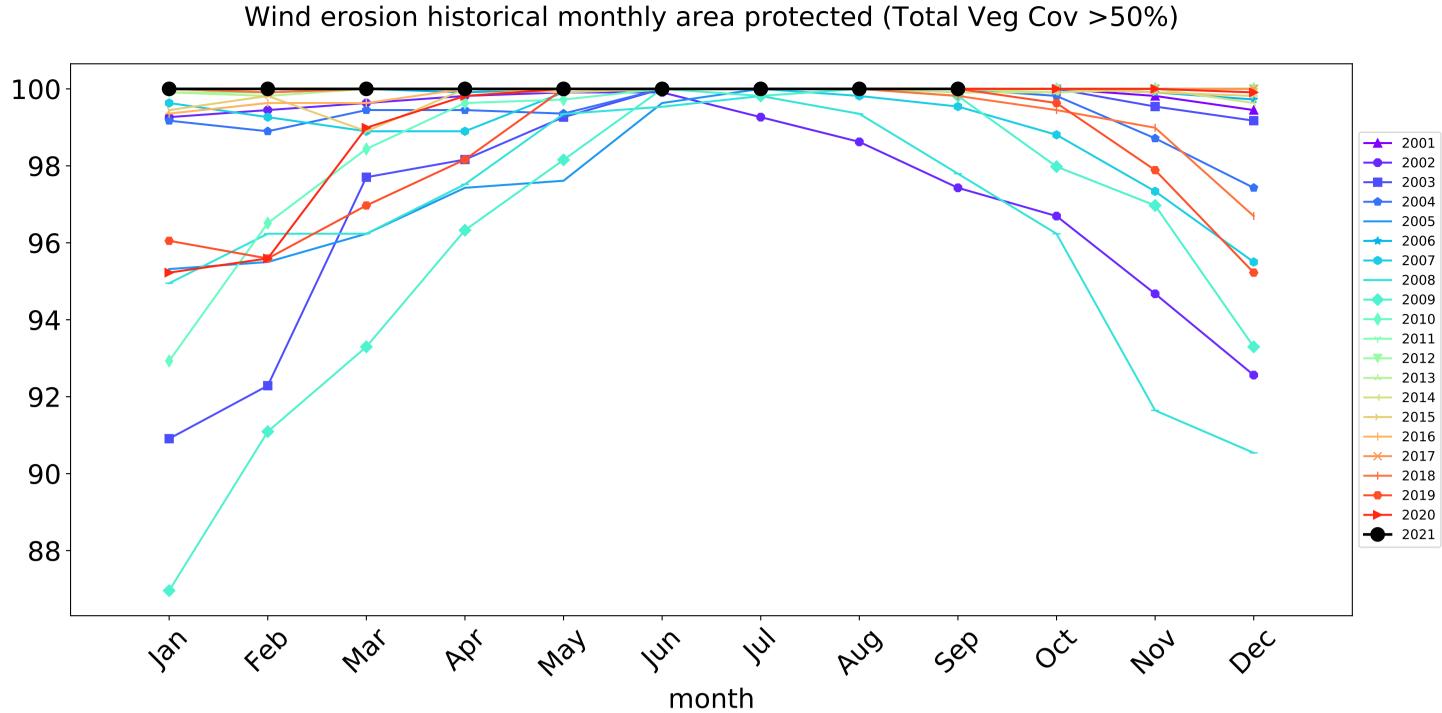


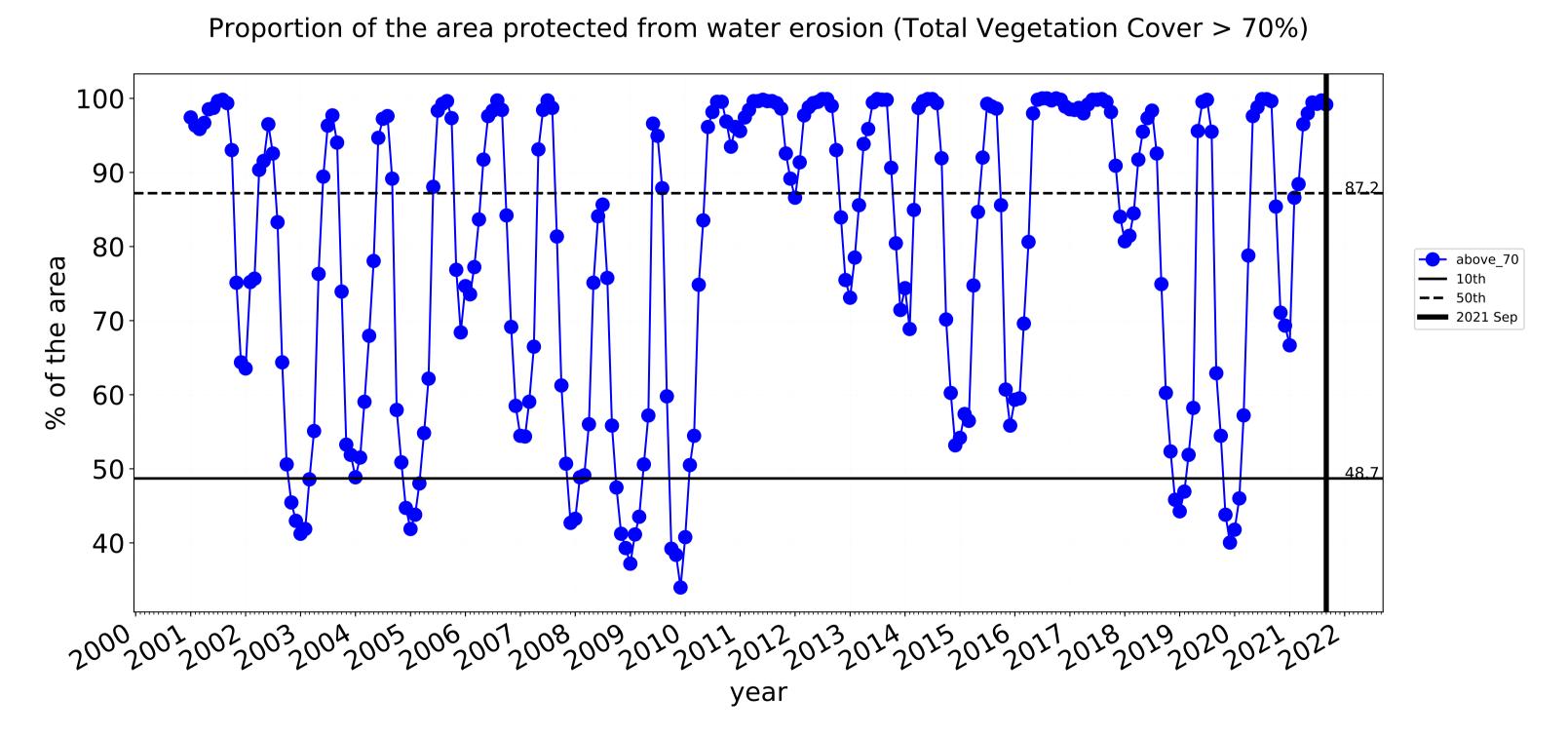


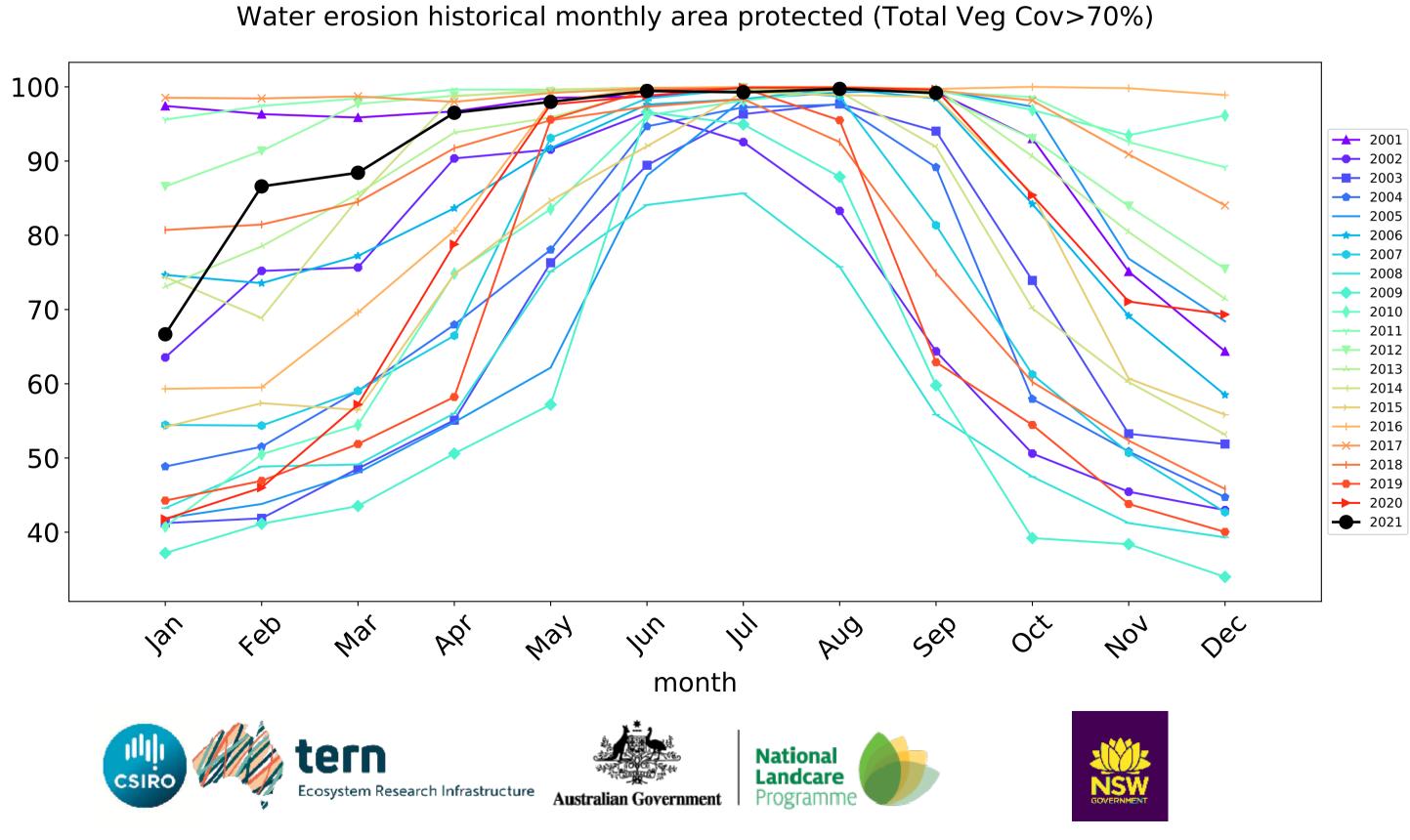


### **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**









# Carrathool\_(A) (1,887,650 ha and no data 5,246 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	1,887,650	100.0% 1,887,150	99.3% 1,874,600	84.4% 1,592,250	53.8% 1,016,250	14.5% 274,300	6.0% 112,425
Conservation and natural environments	145,000	100.0% 145,000	100.0% 145,000	98.0% 142,150	77.4% 112,225	10.4% 15,100	2.2% 3,250
Conservation and natural environments non forest	52,025	100.0% 52,025	100.0% 52,025	94.9% 49,350	48.2% 25,075	5.5% 2,875	0.9% 450
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	73,600	100.0% 73,600	100.0% 73,600	99.8% 73,475	95.0% 69,950	15.7% 11,550	3.7% 2,725
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	19,375	100.0% 19,375	100.0% 19,375	99.7% 19,325	88.8% 17,200	3.5% 675	0.4% 75
Agriculture	1,687,325	100.0% 1,686,900	99.3% 1,674,975	83.2% 1,403,650	51.6% 870,150	14.9% 251,925	6.4% 107,275
Grazing	1,070,425	100.0% 1,070,250	99.4% 1,063,775	80.8% 864,600	43.3% 463,850	6.1% 64,850	1.3% 13,800
Grazing non forest	935,425	100.0% 935,250	99.3% 928,775	78.0% 730,075	36.8% 344,150	4.5% 41,875	0.9% 8,025
Grazing Woodland forest	98,975	100.0% 98,975	100.0% 98,975	99.5% 98,525	89.0% 88,100	18.9% 18,725	5.7% 5,650
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	36,025	100.0% 36,025	100.0% 36,025	99.9% 36,000	87.7% 31,600	11.8% 4,250	0.3% 125
Cropping	492,925	100.0% 492,900	99.7% 491,325	91.1% 448,850	70.8% 349,025	35.0% 172,375	17.8% 87,675
Irrigation	123,175	99.8% 122,950	96.7% 119,075	72.7% 89,575	46.5% 57,225	11.9% 14,700	4.7% 5,800
Production native forests and plantation forests	27,225	100.0% 27,225	100.0% 27,225	99.2% 27,000	91.3% 24,850	24.4% 6,650	6.6% 1,800







