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

# Date: June 2024

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 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:

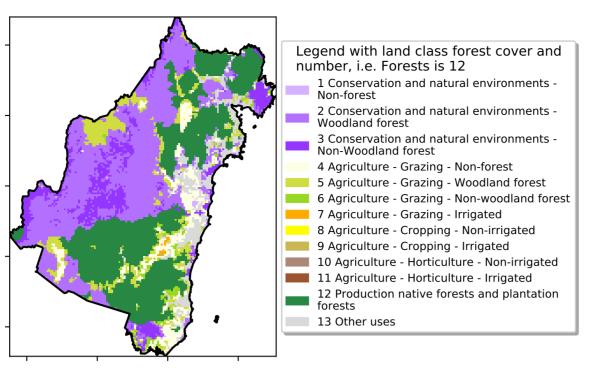
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# **Vegetation Cover Jun 2024**

#### Land use and forest cover



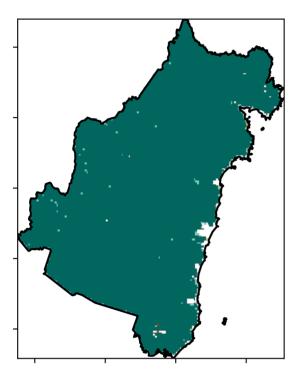
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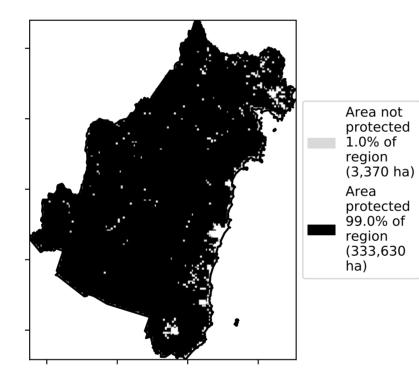
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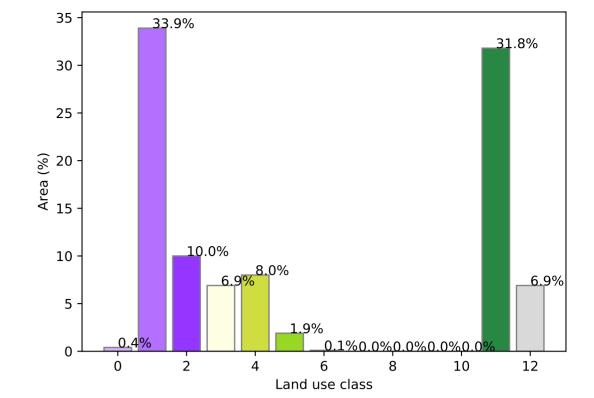
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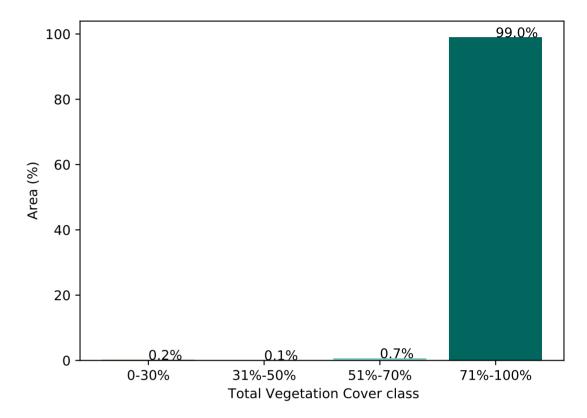


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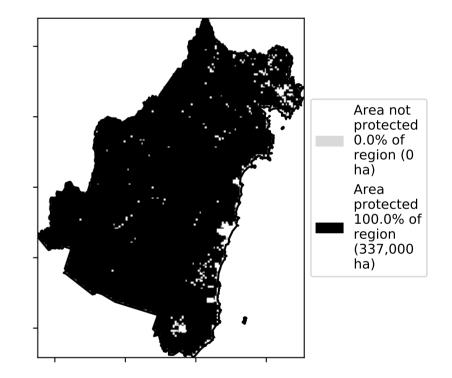




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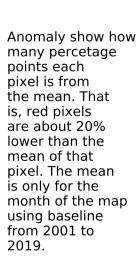


#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



#### Proportion of each land class in area

**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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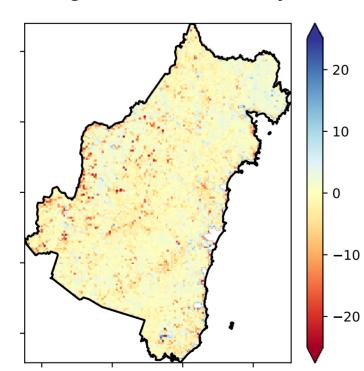
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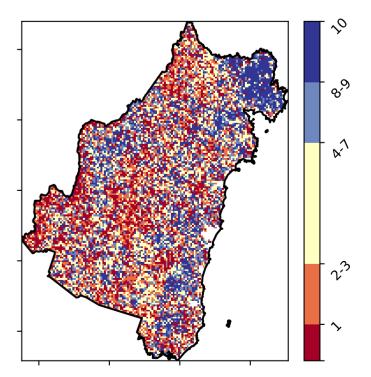
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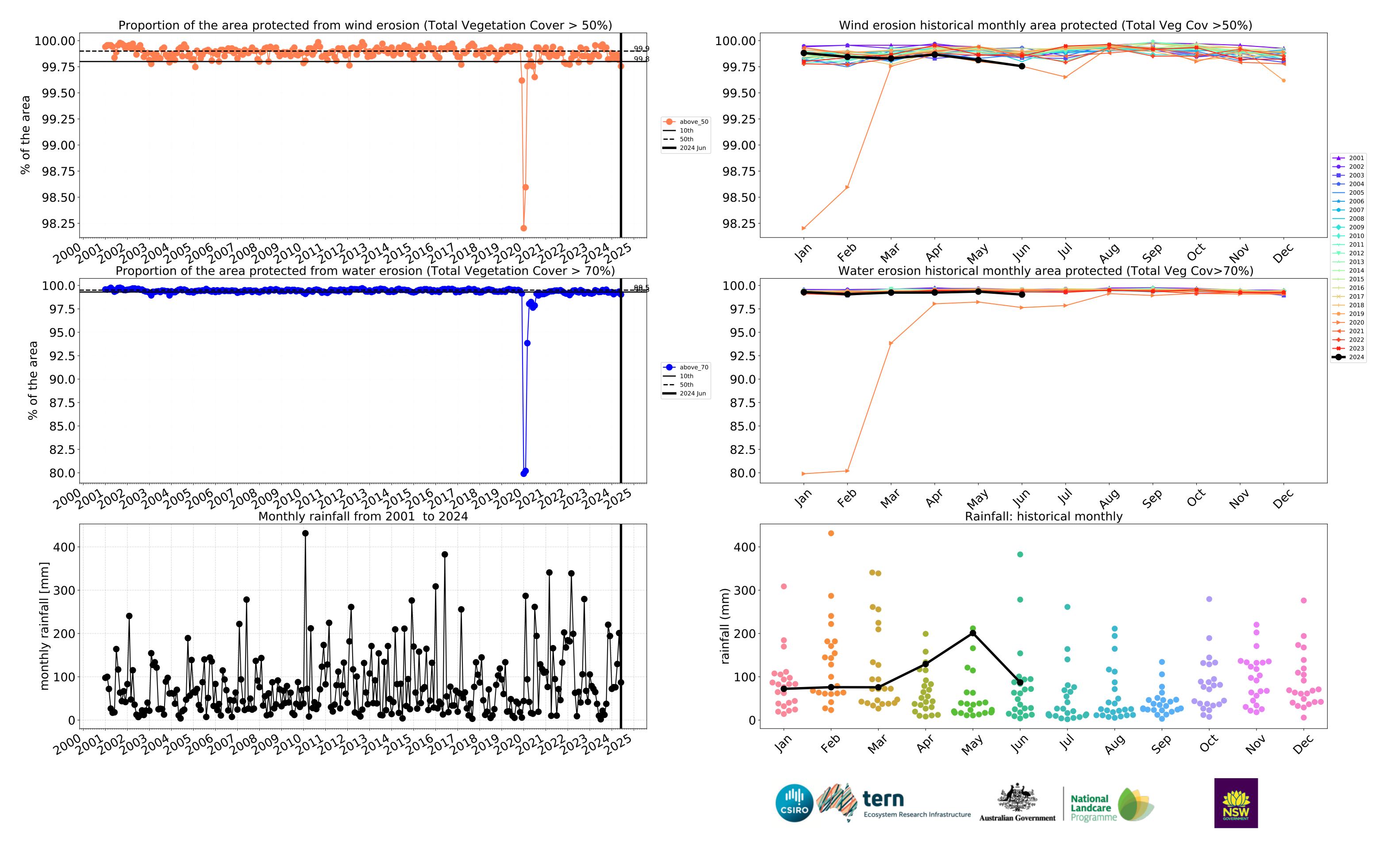
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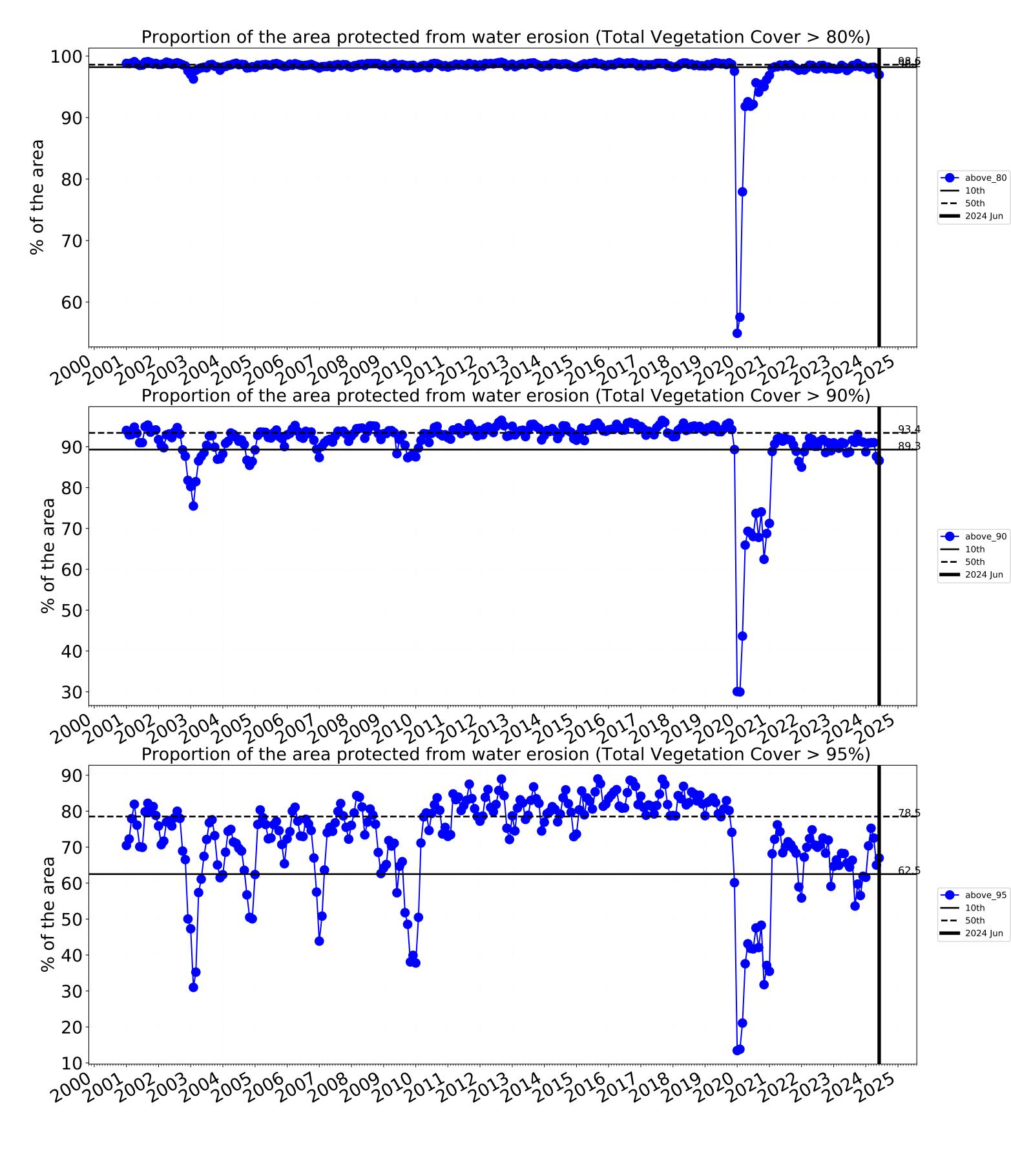


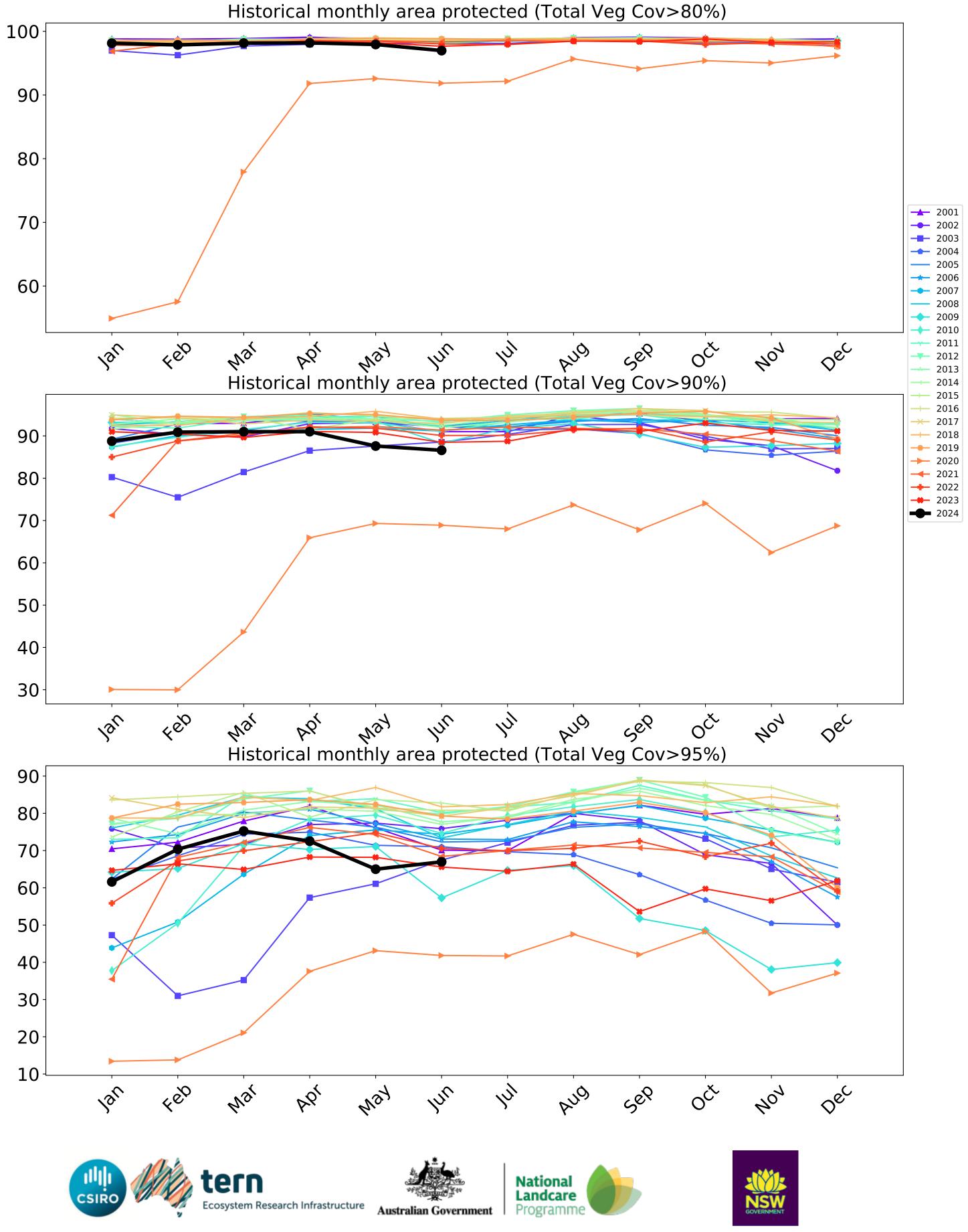
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#### **Conservation and natural environments**

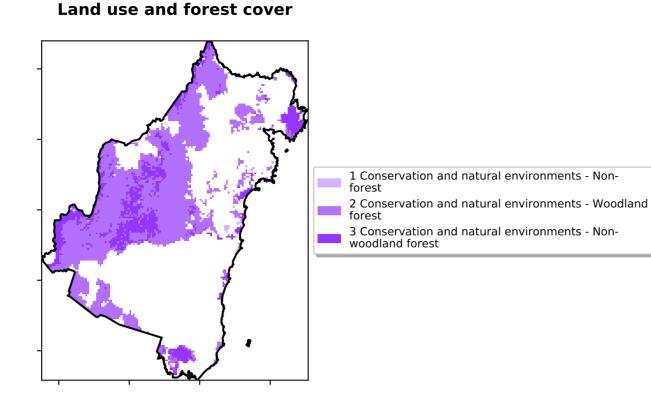
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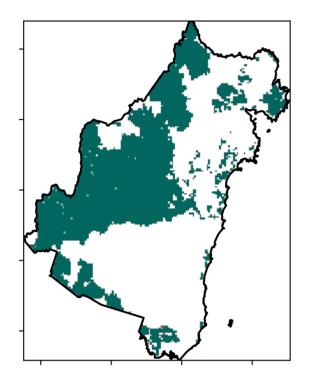
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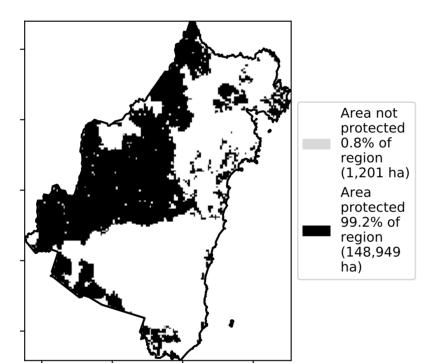
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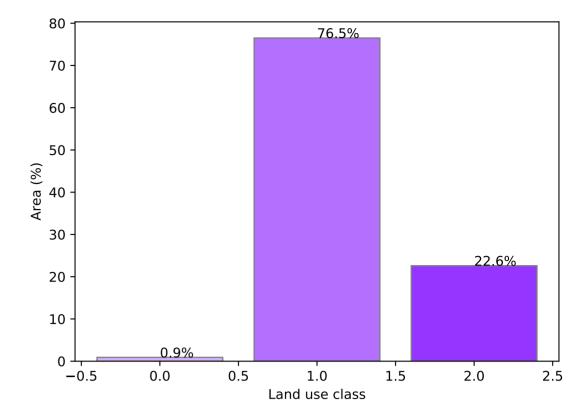


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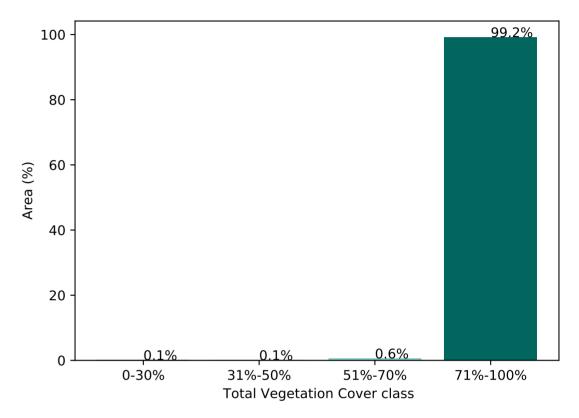




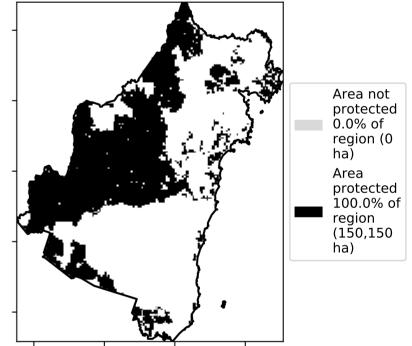


#### Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



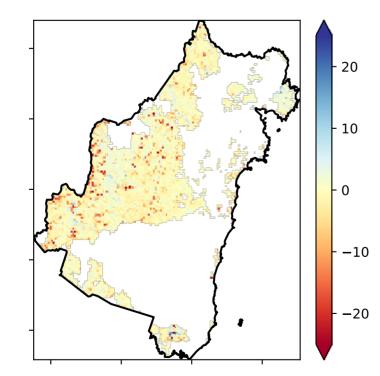
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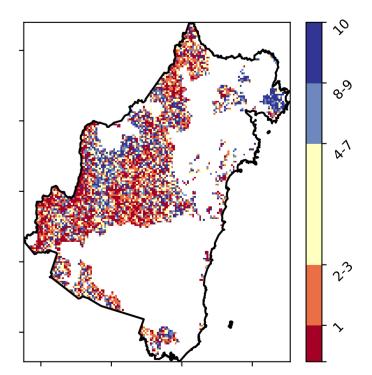


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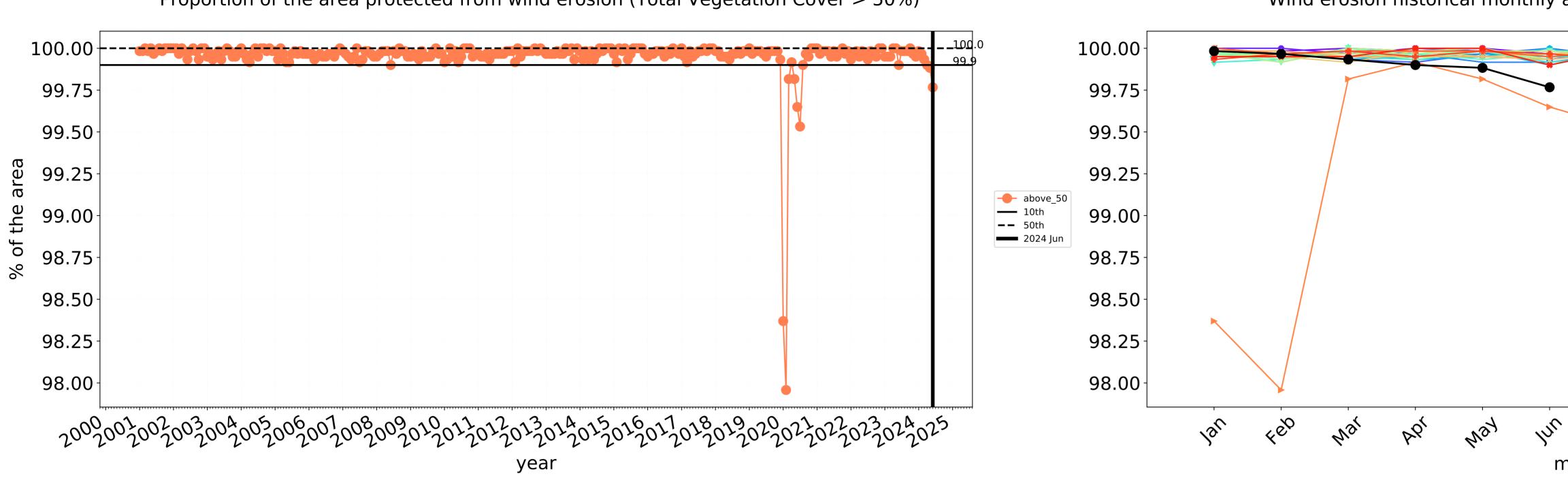
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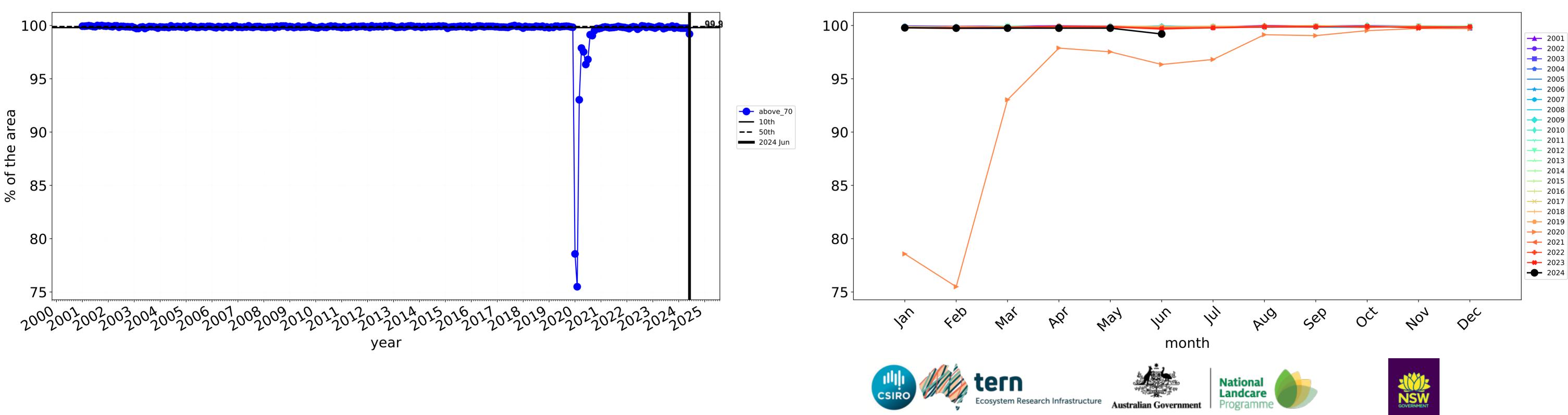
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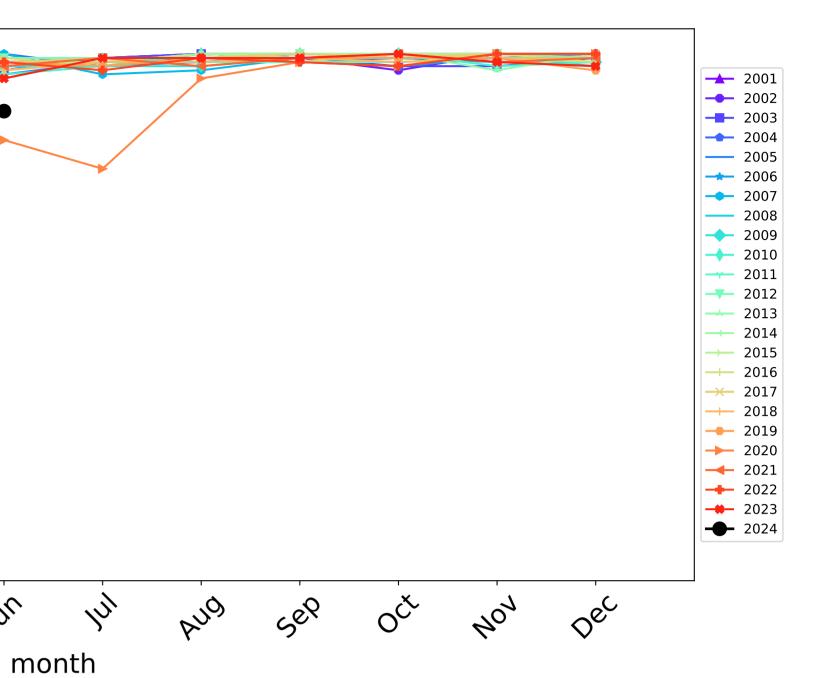




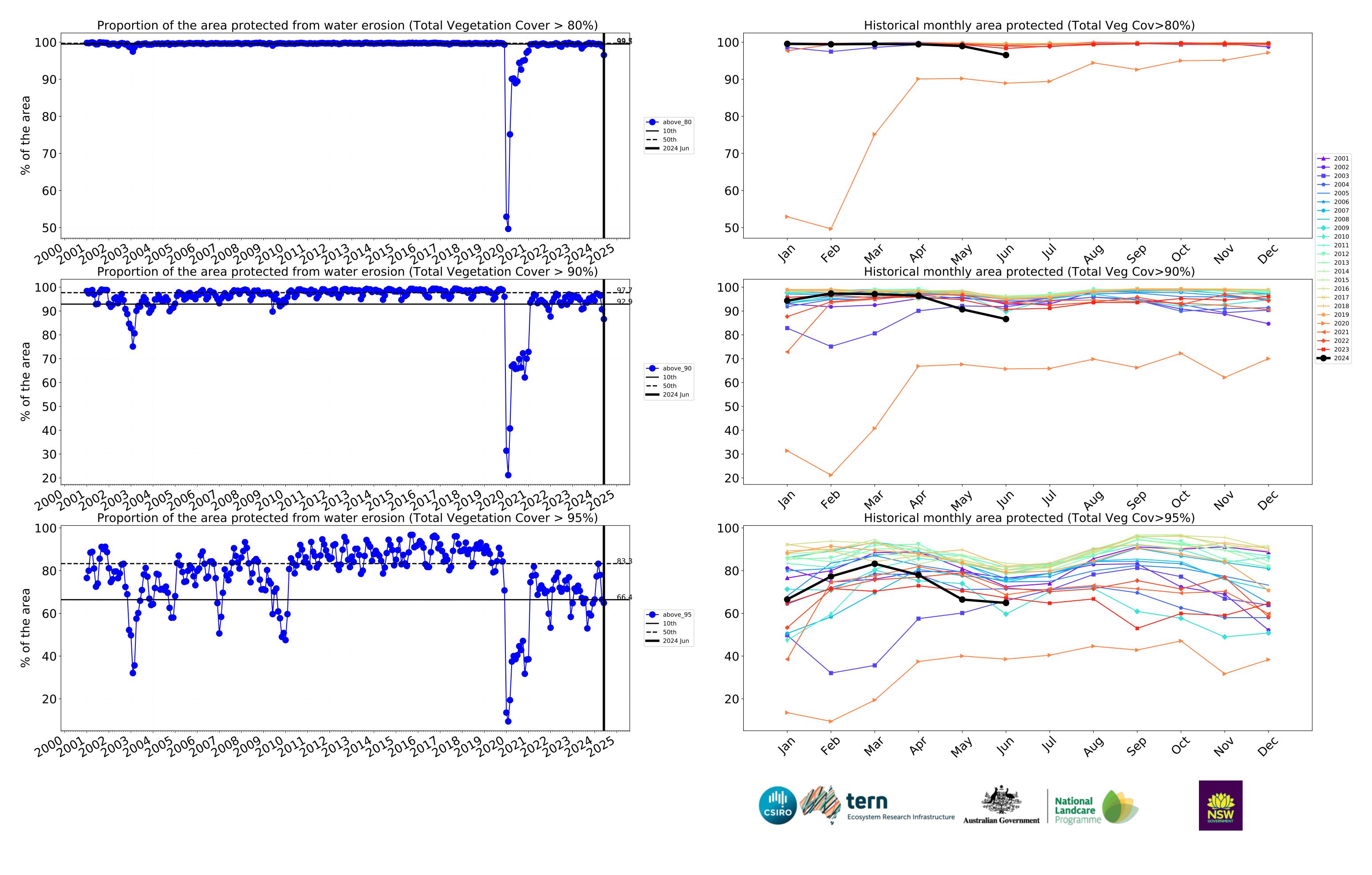
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Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

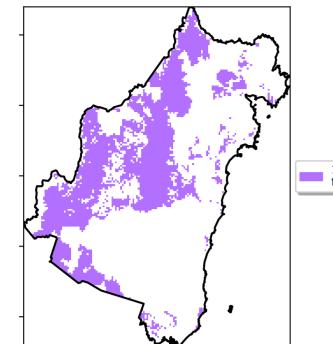


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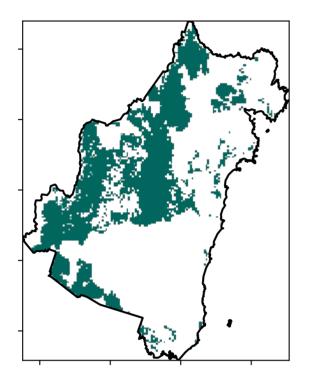
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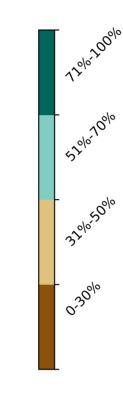


Land use and forest cover

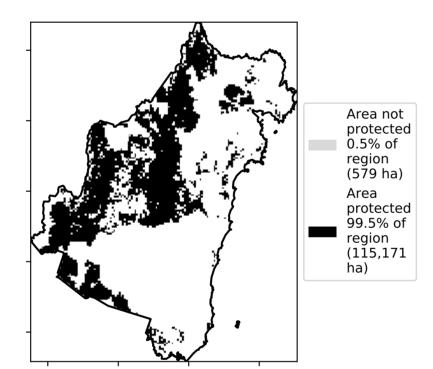
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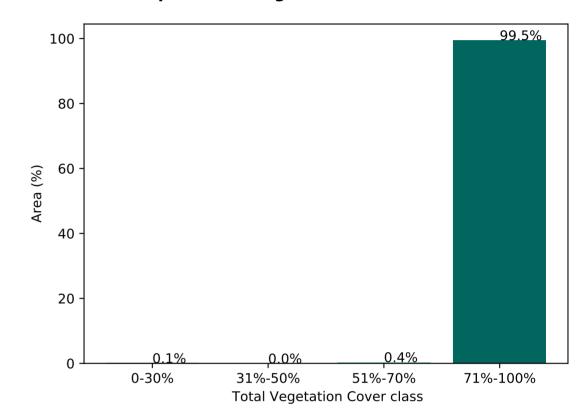




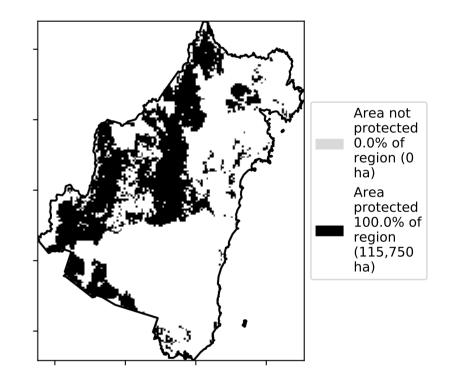
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

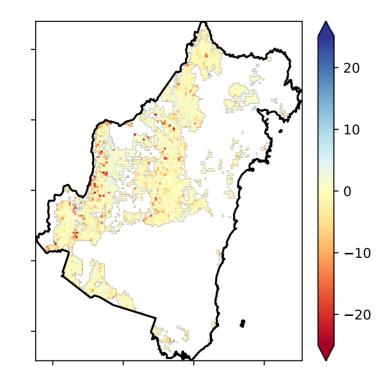


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

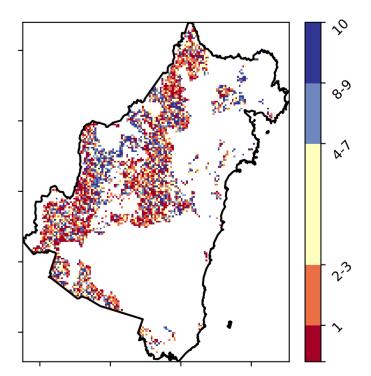


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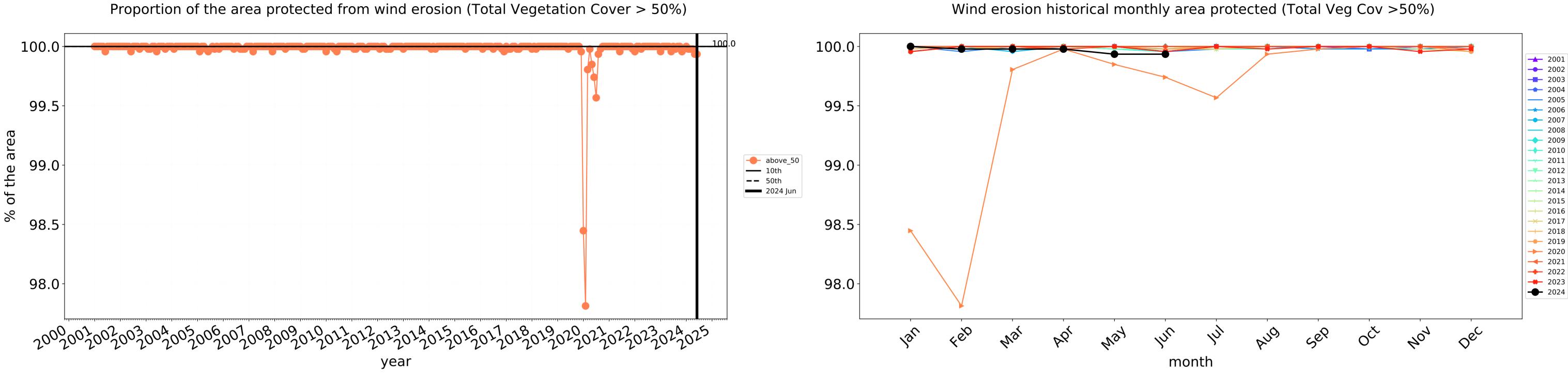


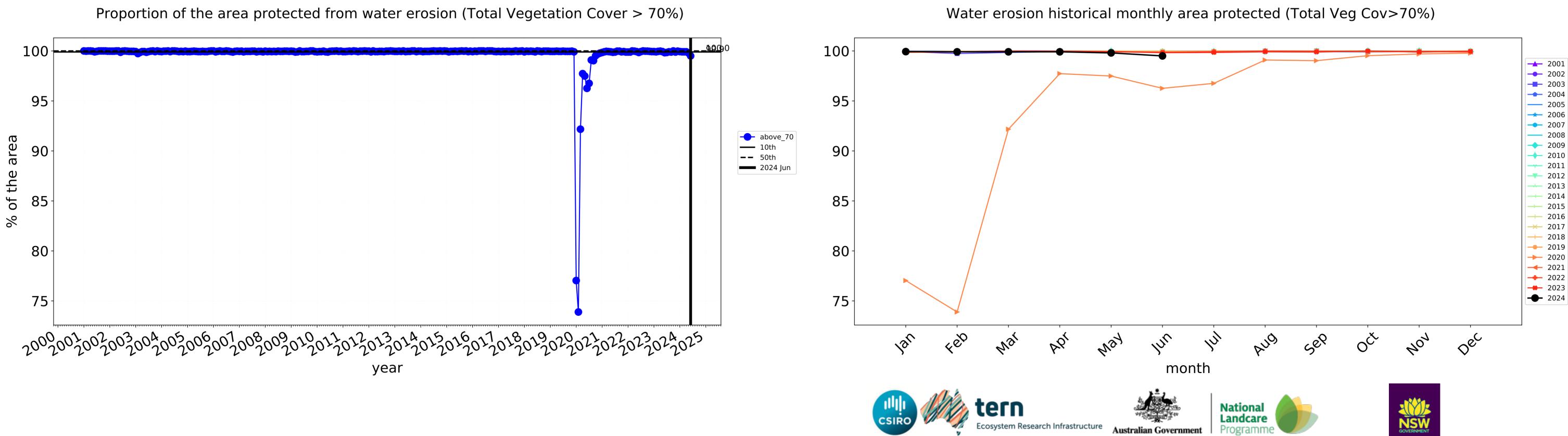
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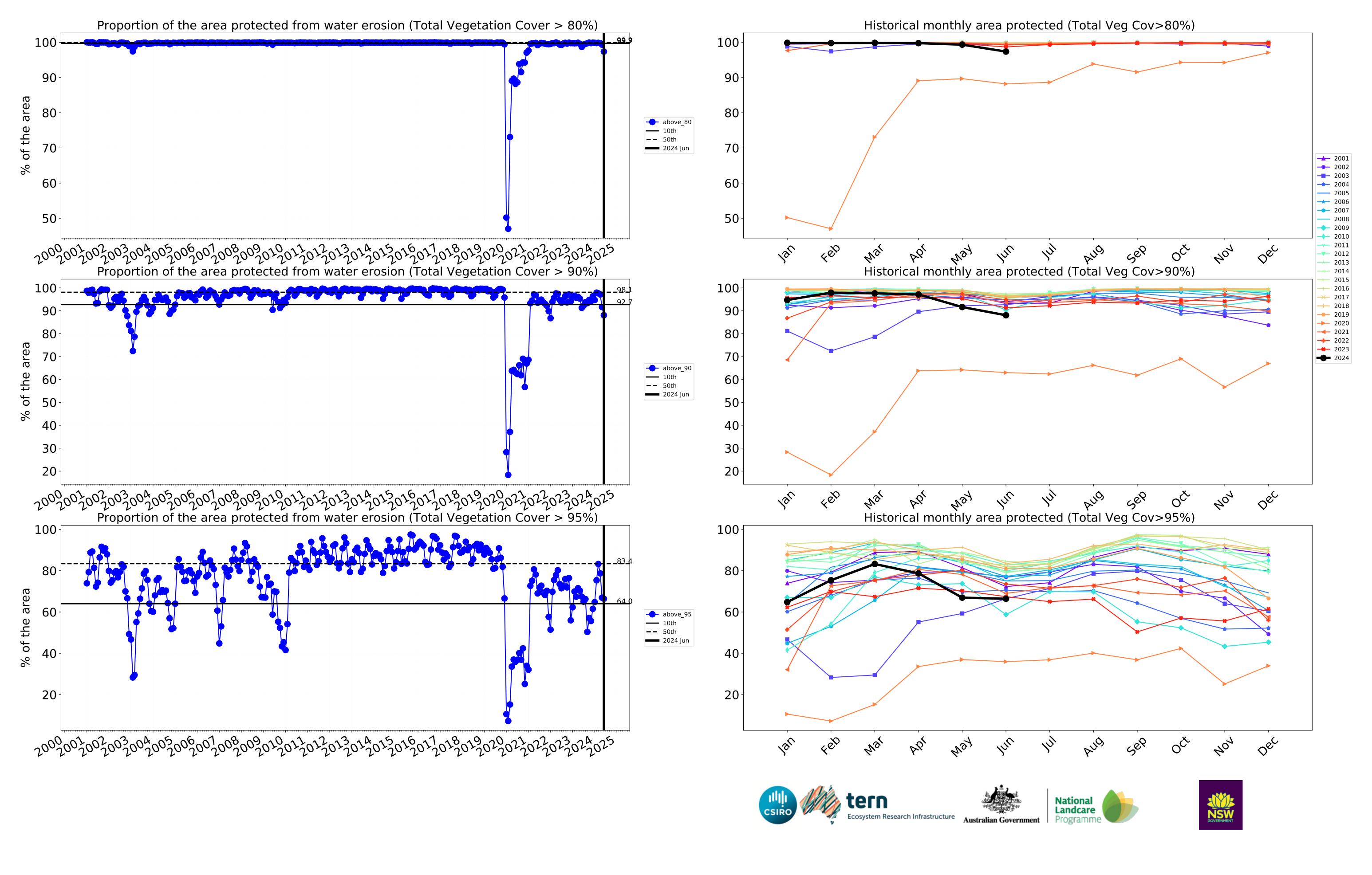


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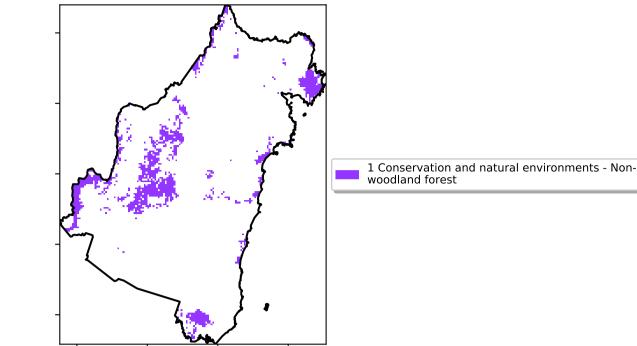


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#### **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

Land use and forest cover



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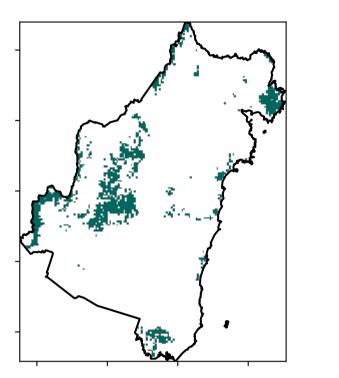
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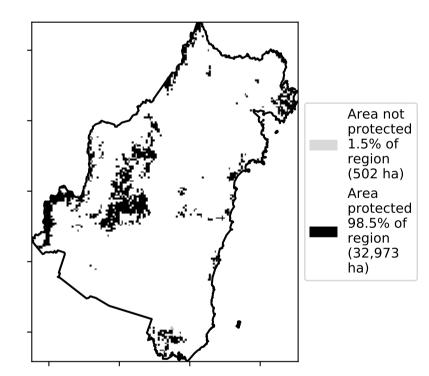
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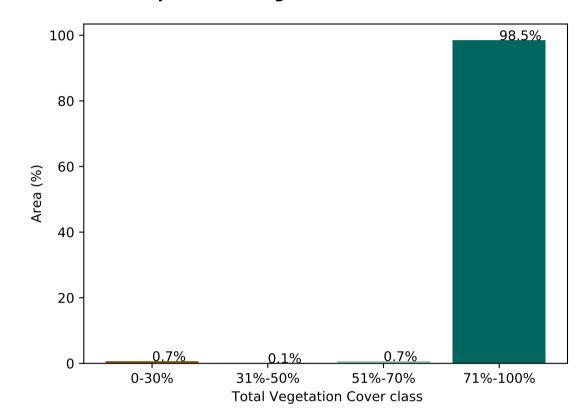
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



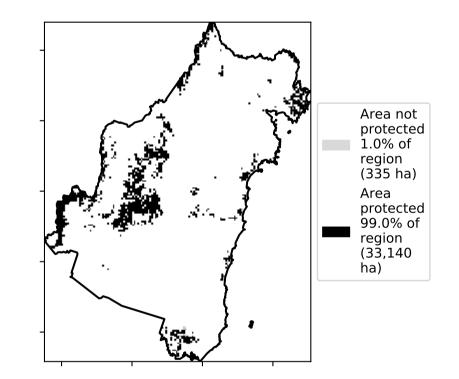
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

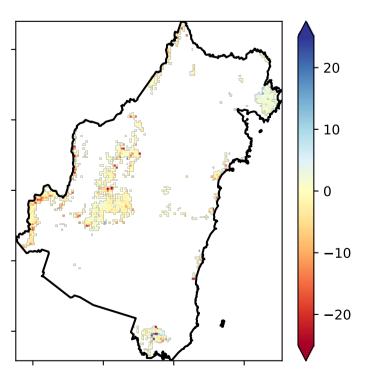


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



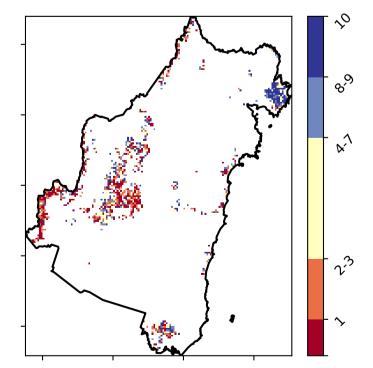
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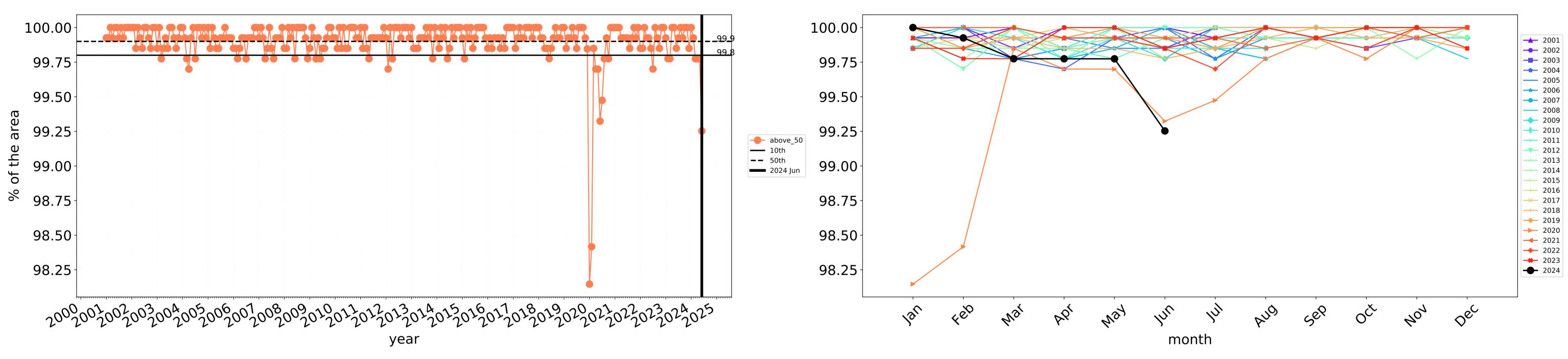
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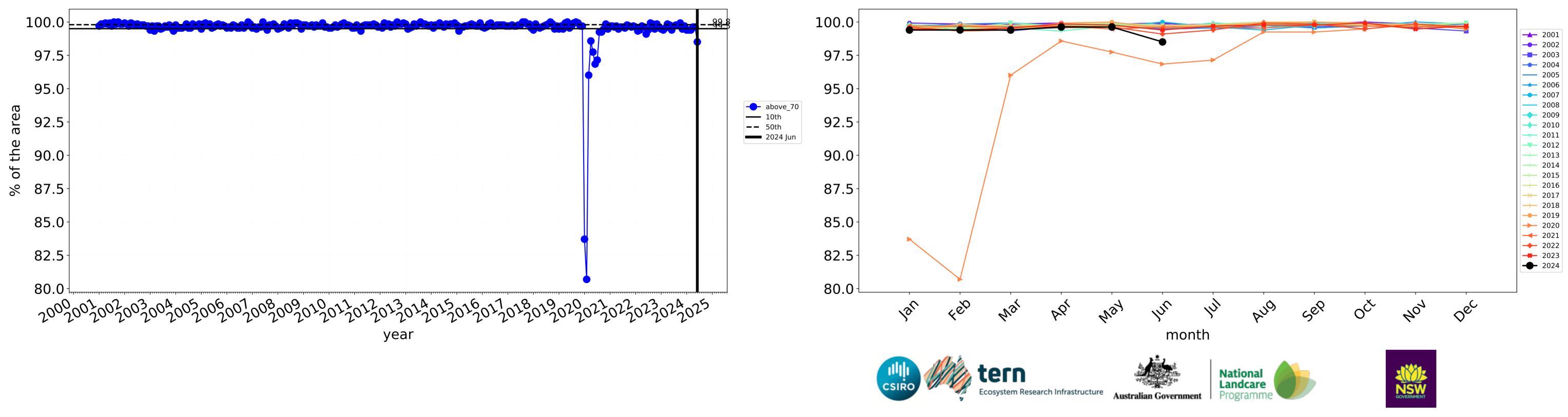


# Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries



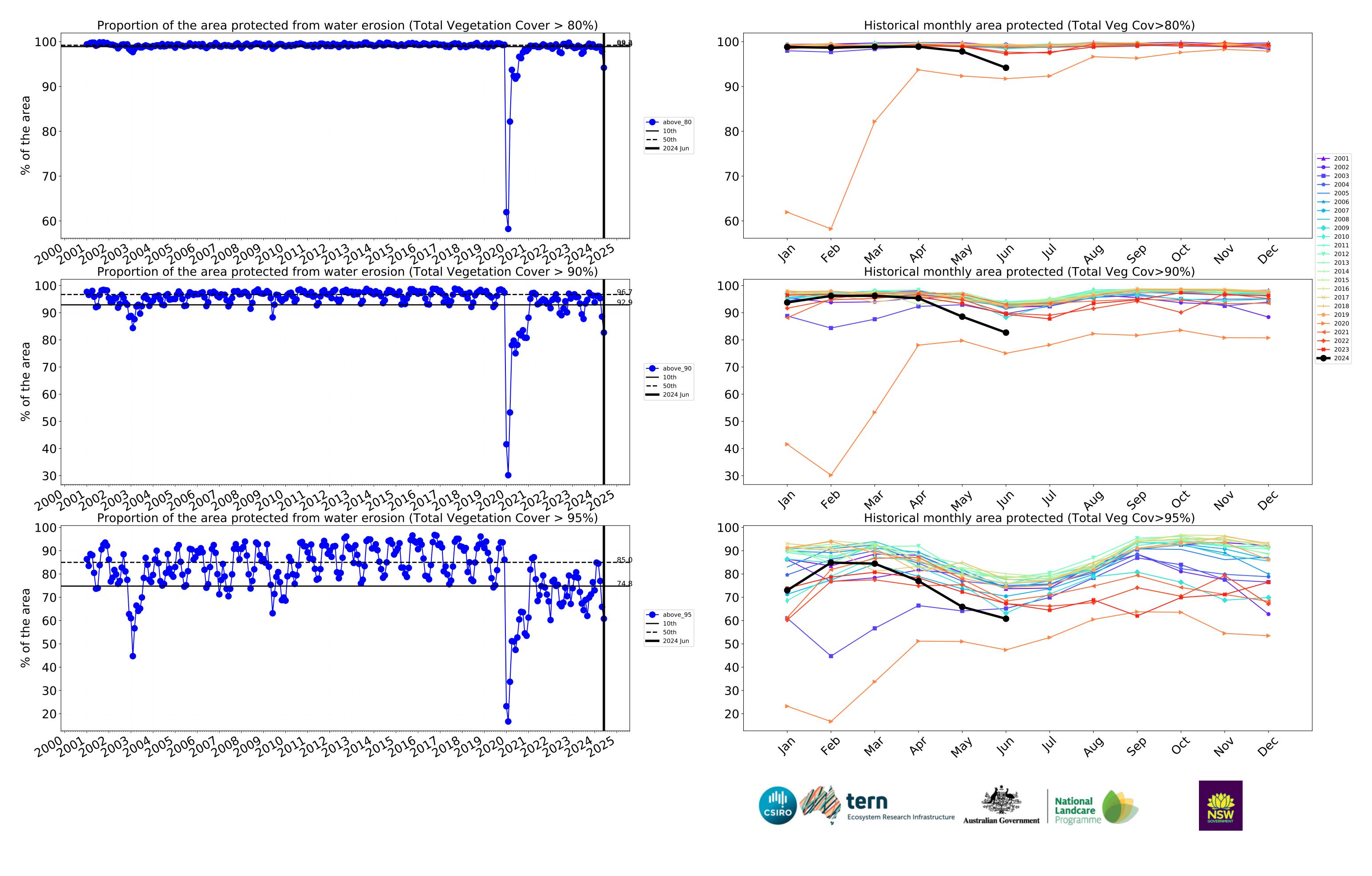
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



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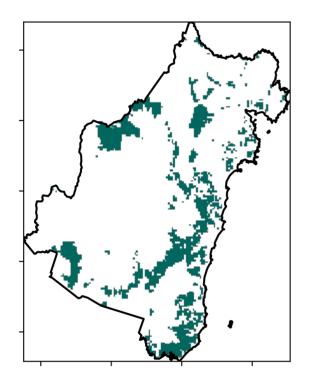
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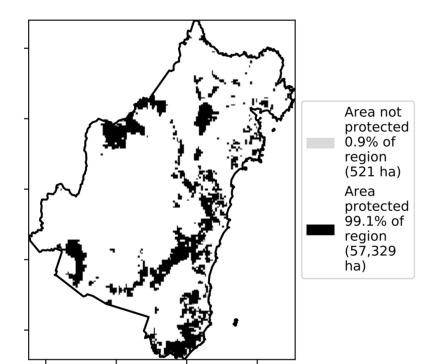
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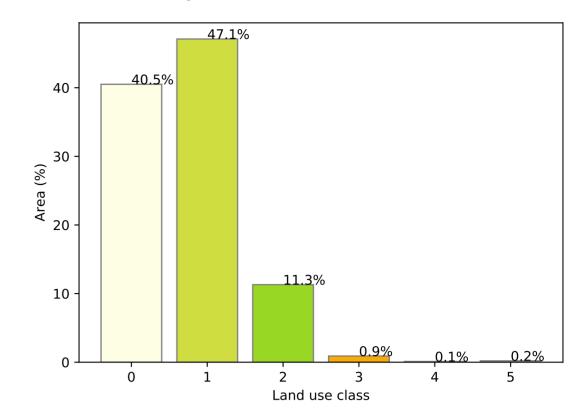
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

Land use and forest cover



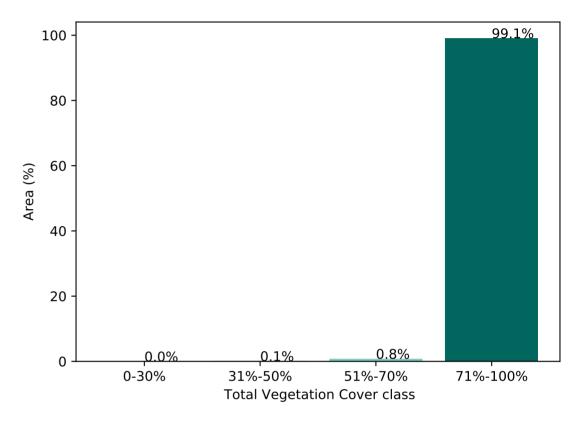




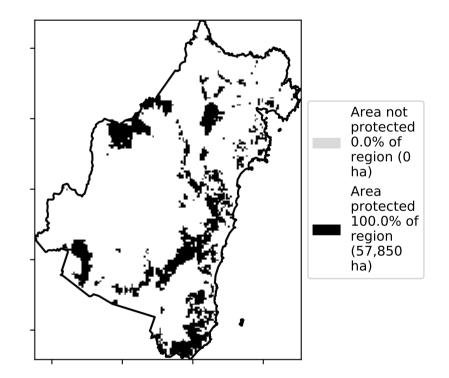


#### Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

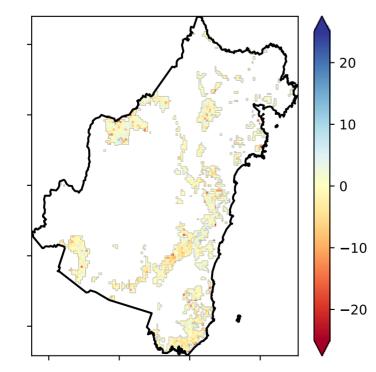


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

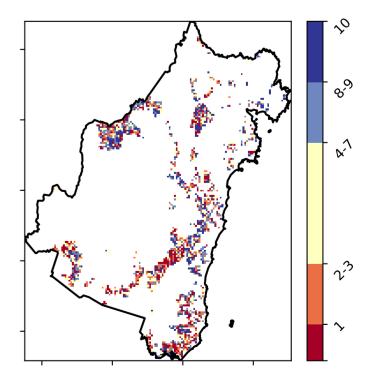


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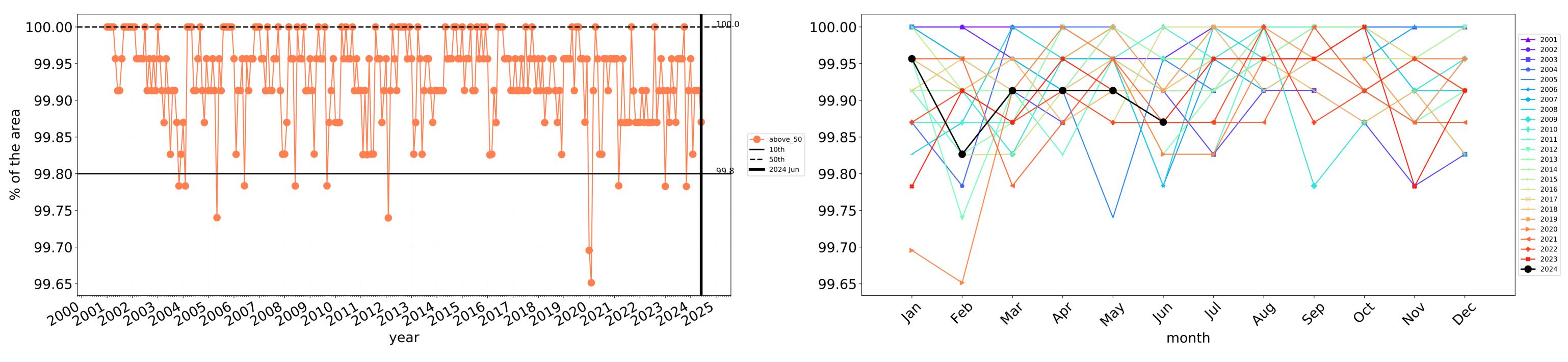
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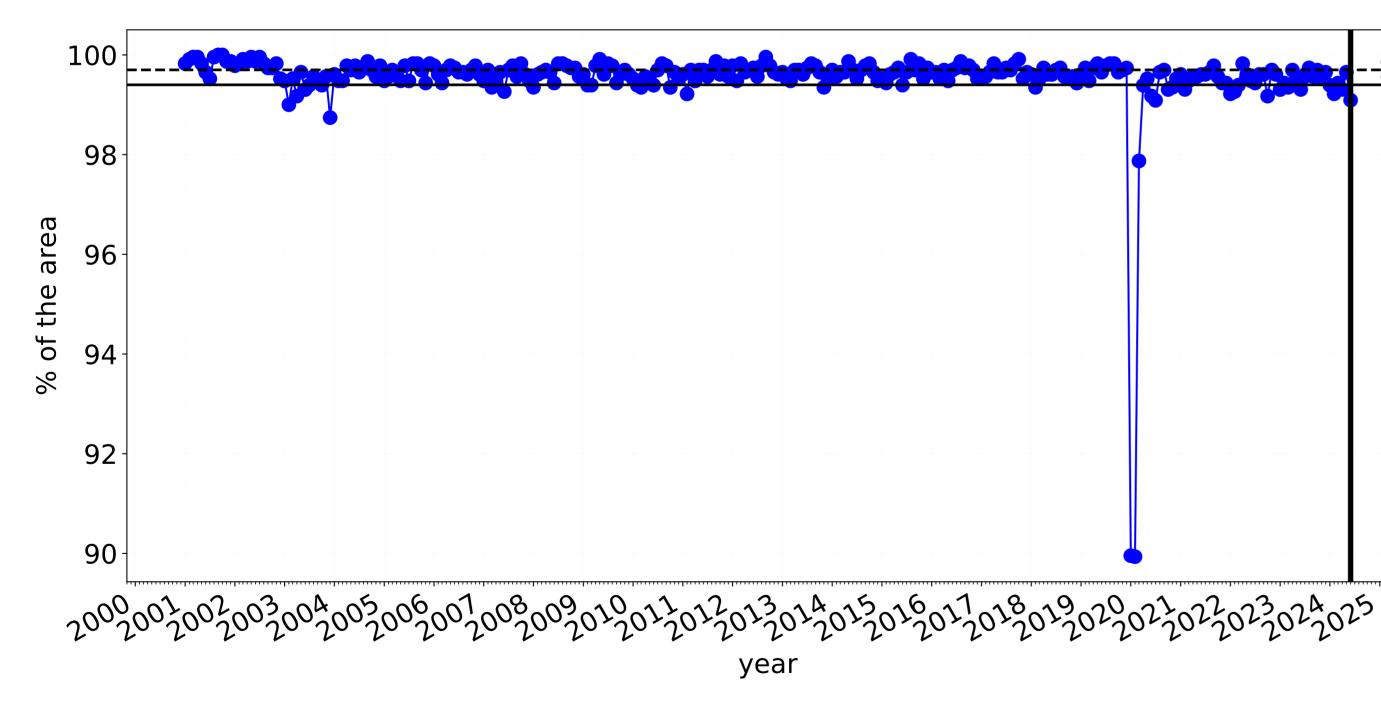
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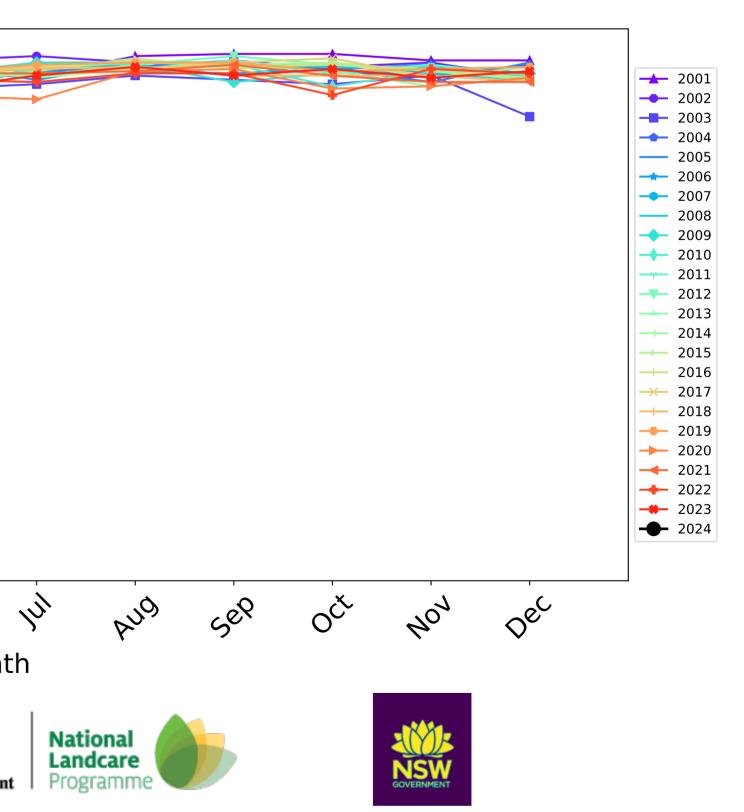
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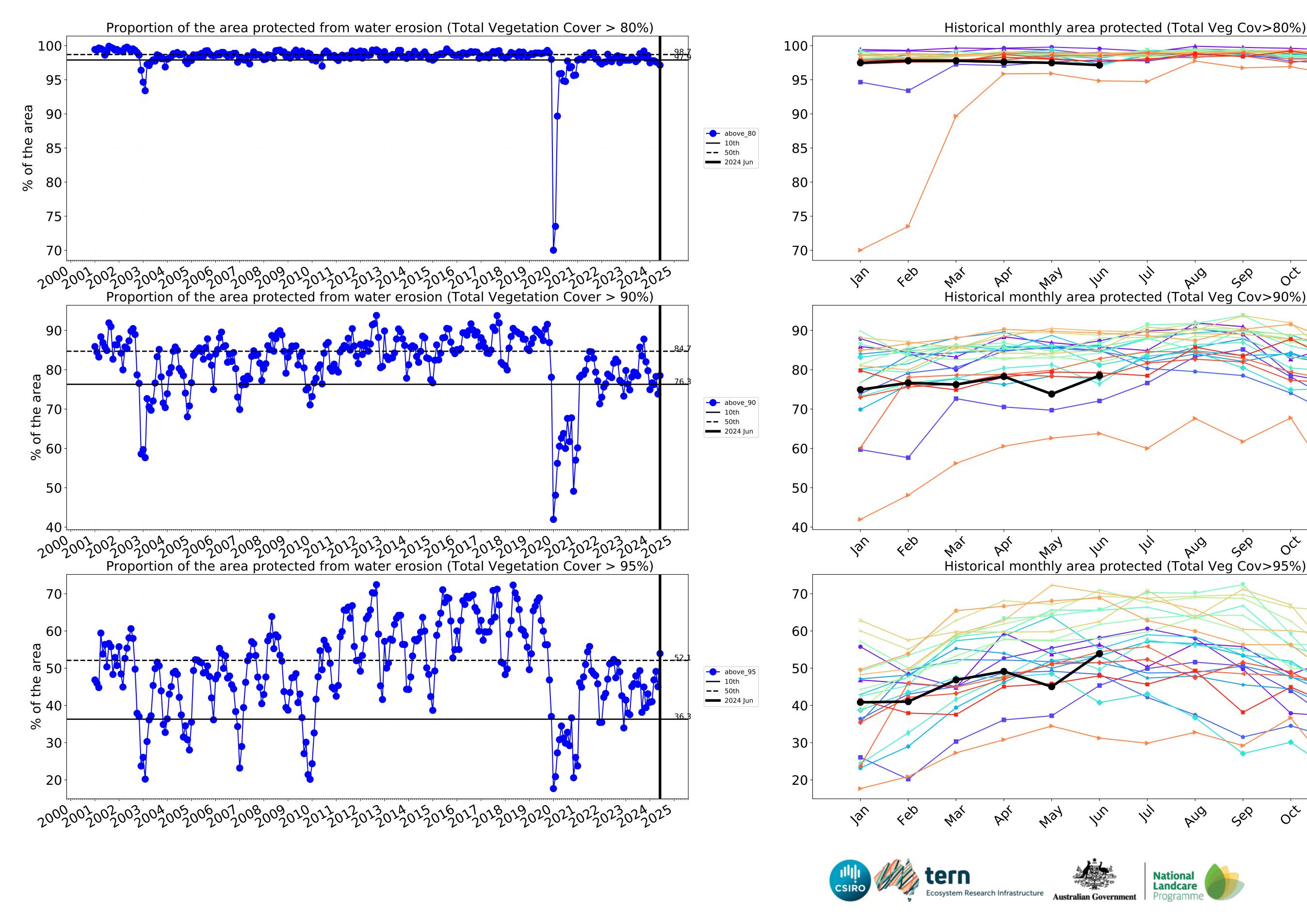


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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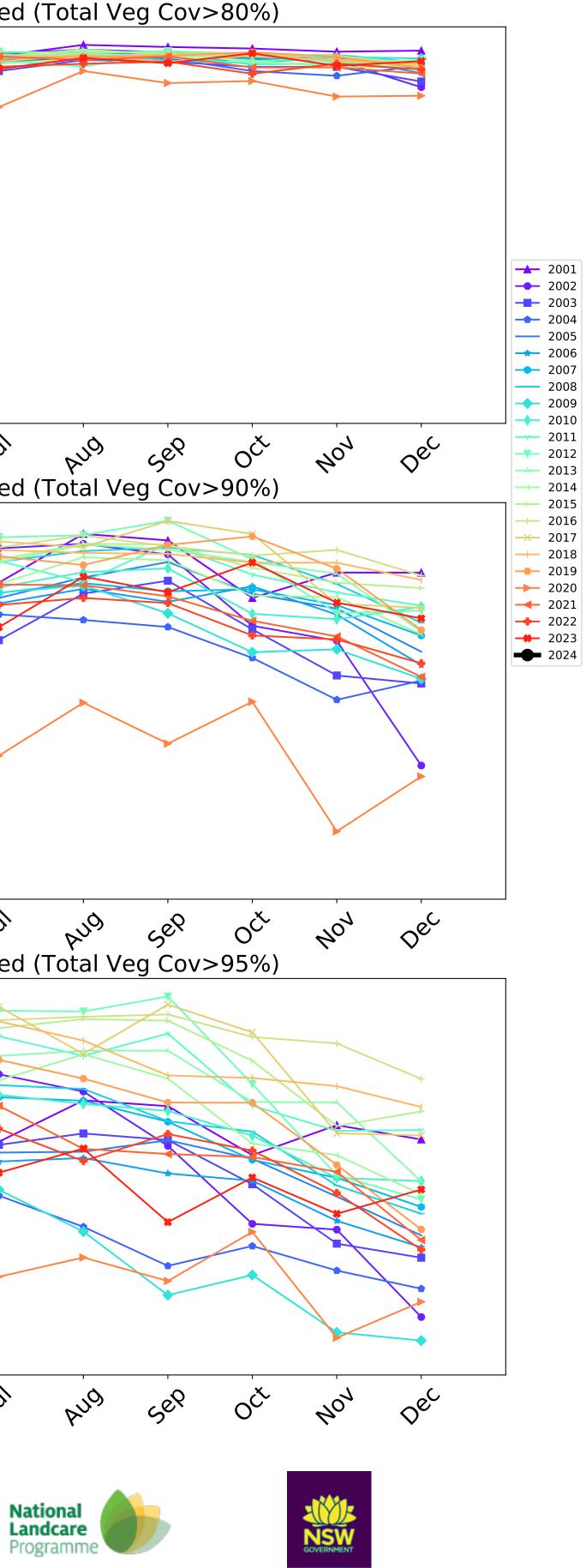
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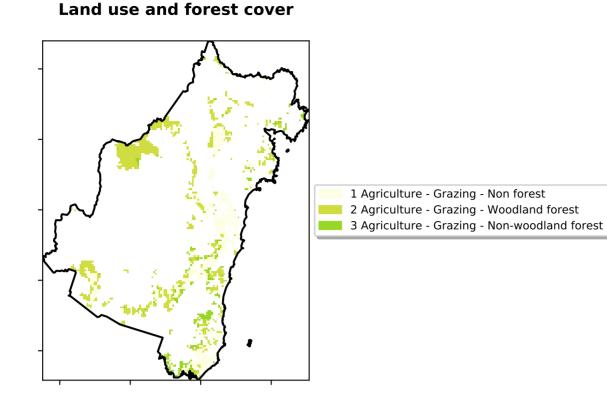
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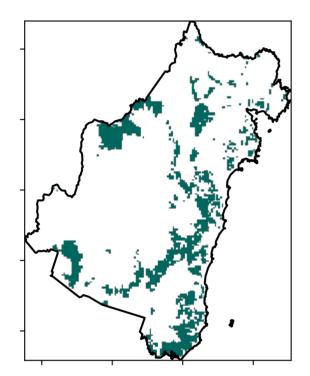
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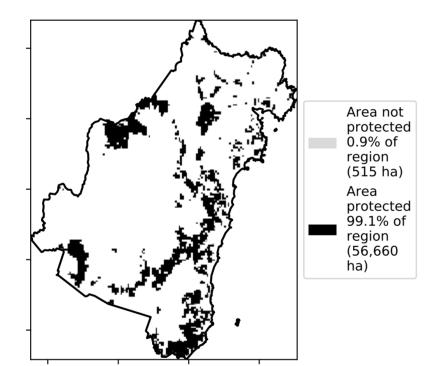
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Total Vegetation Cover [%]



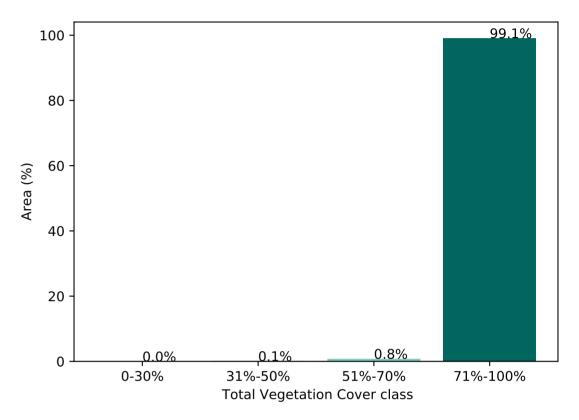




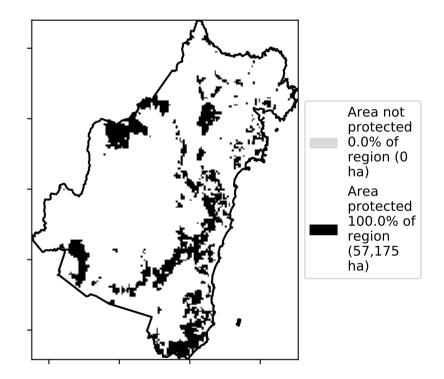
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Proportion of each land class in area

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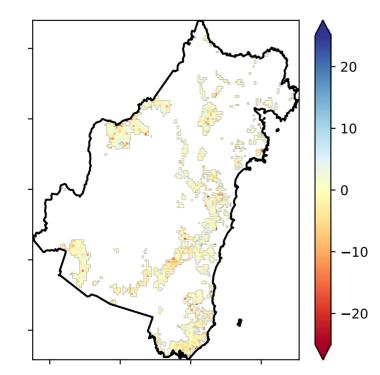


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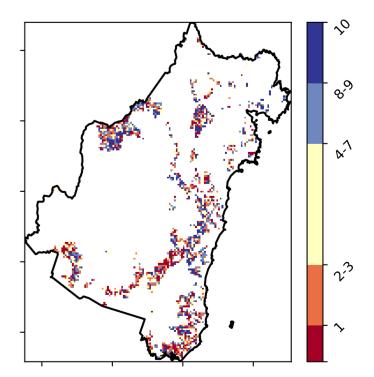


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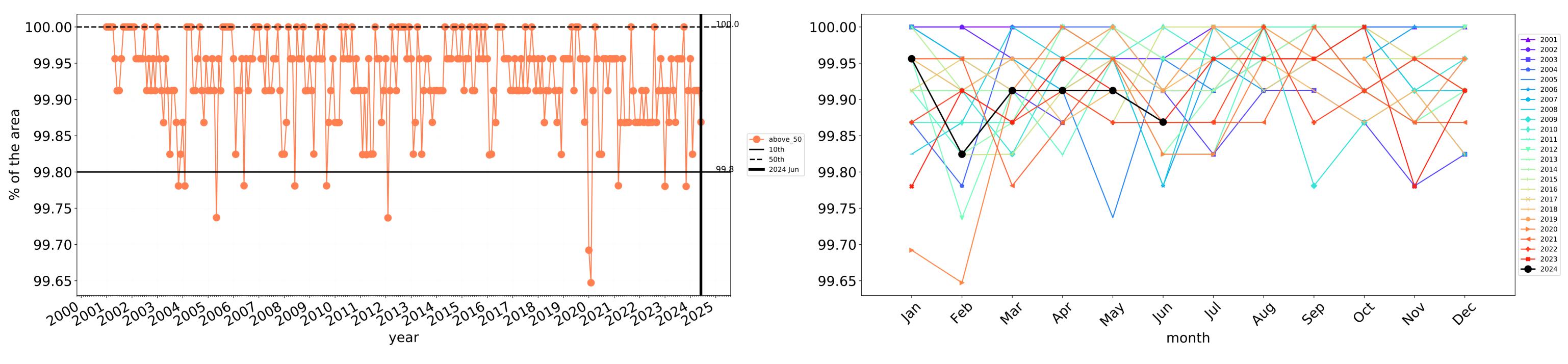
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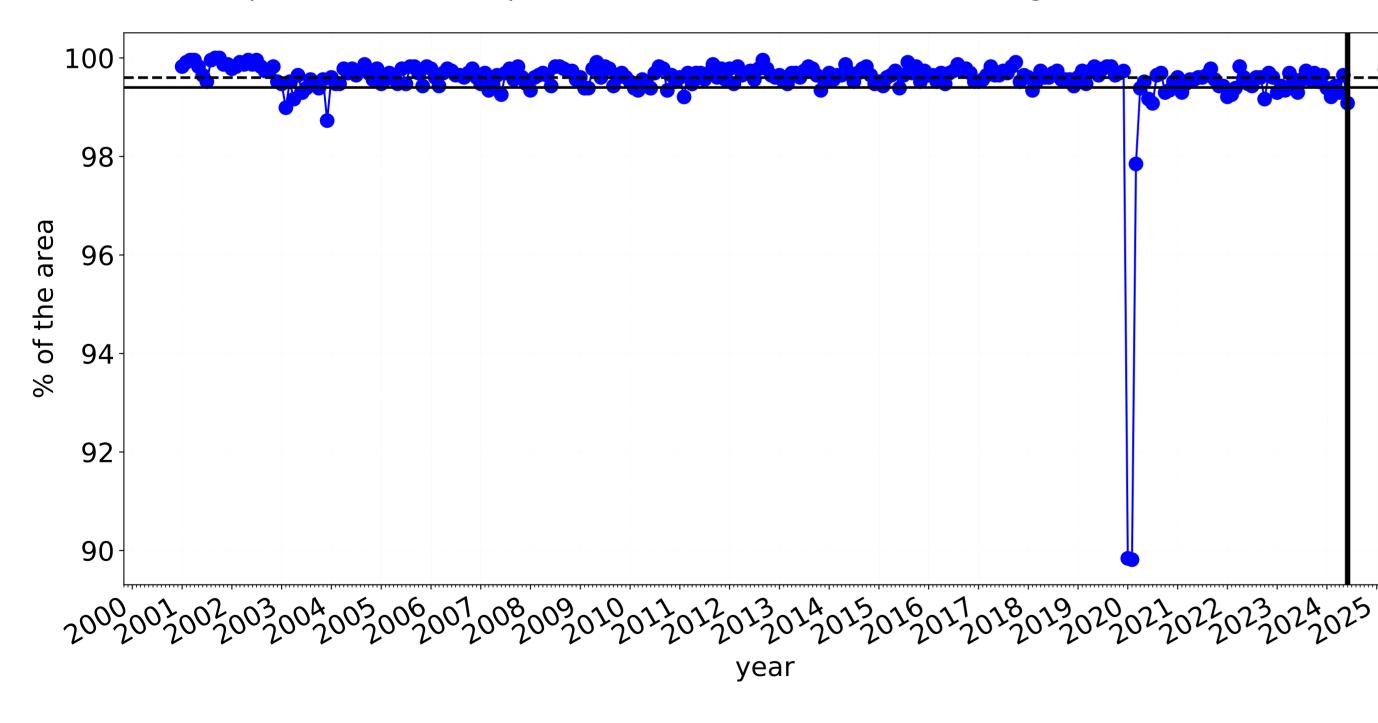


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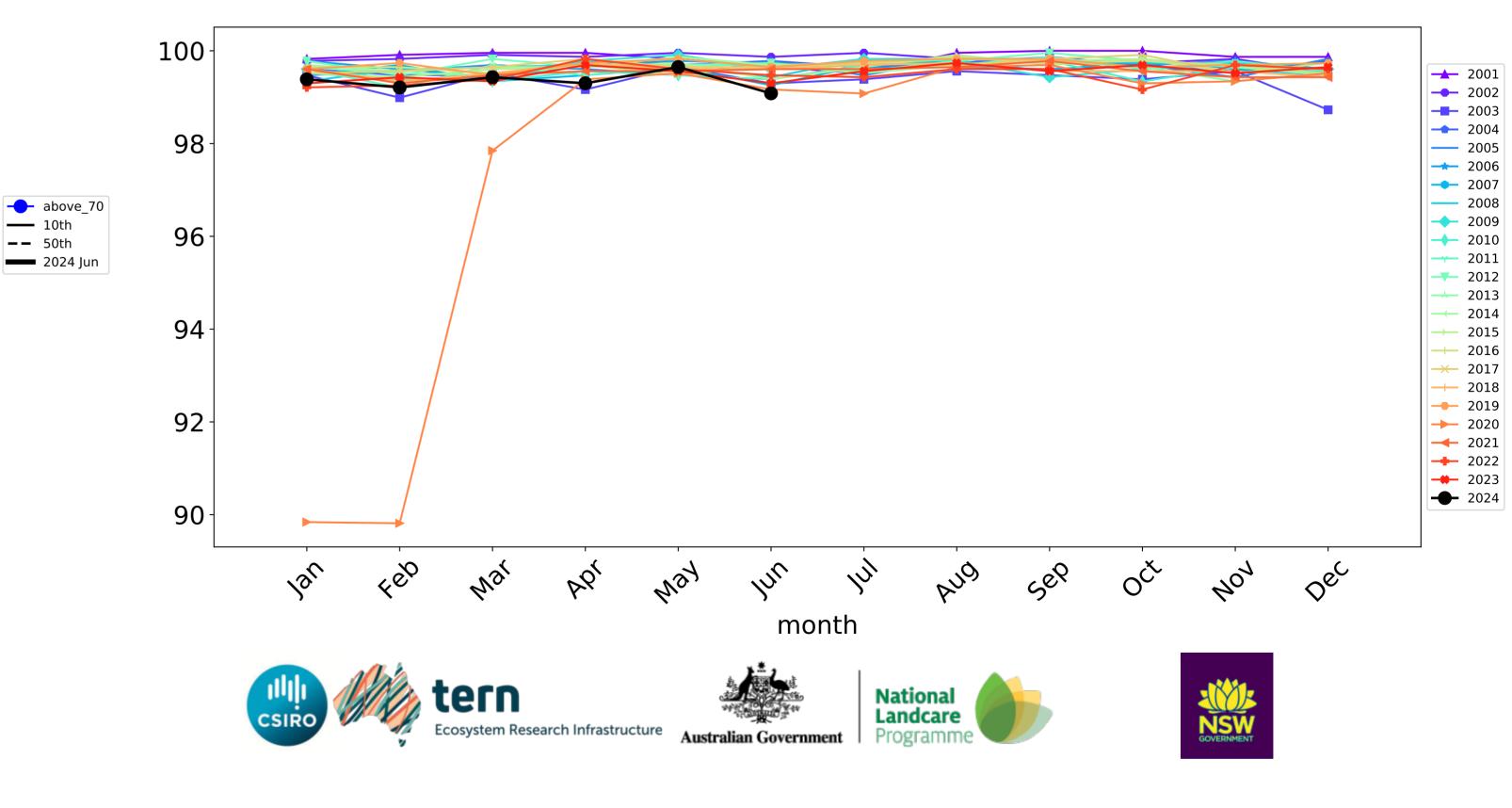
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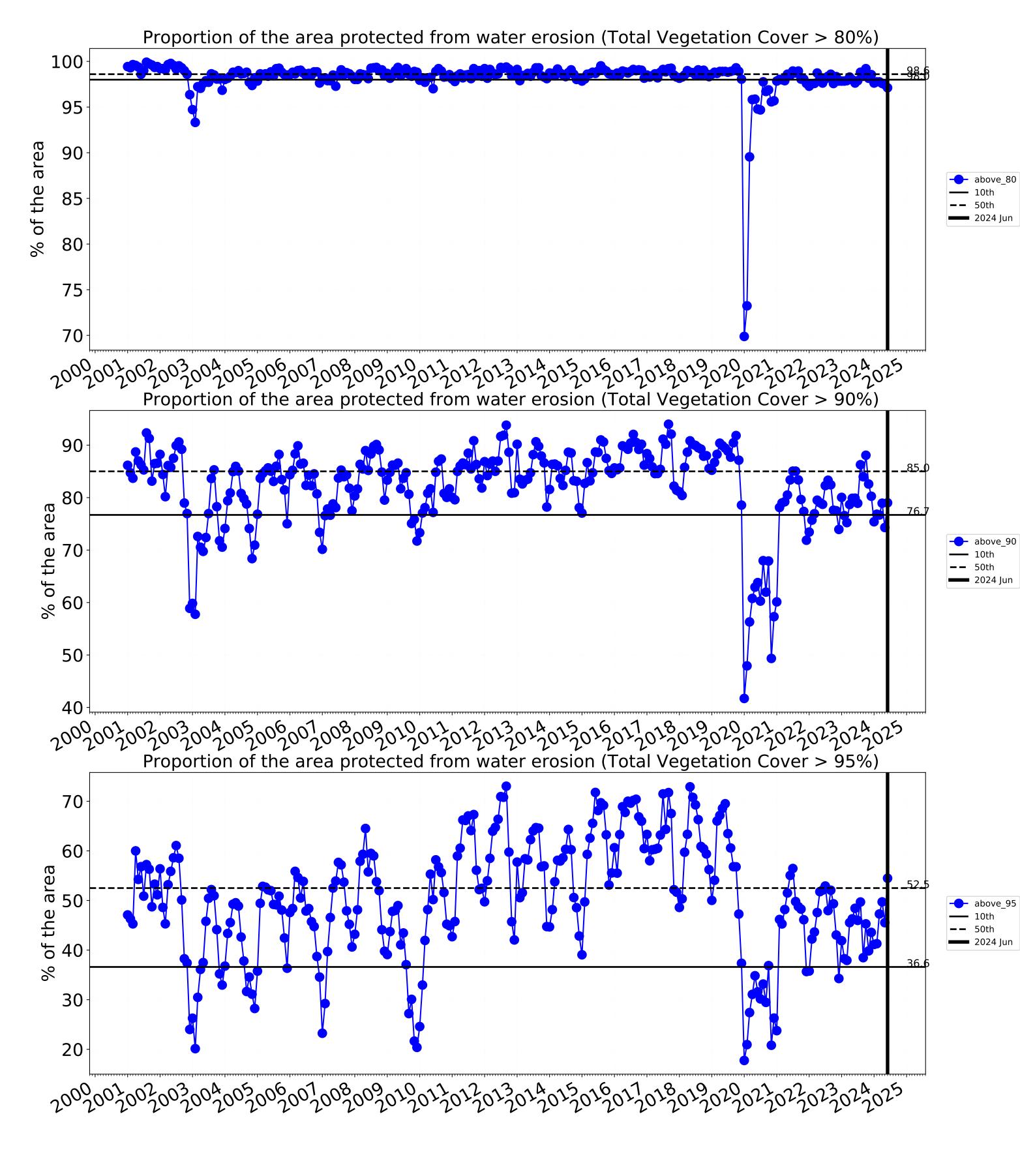
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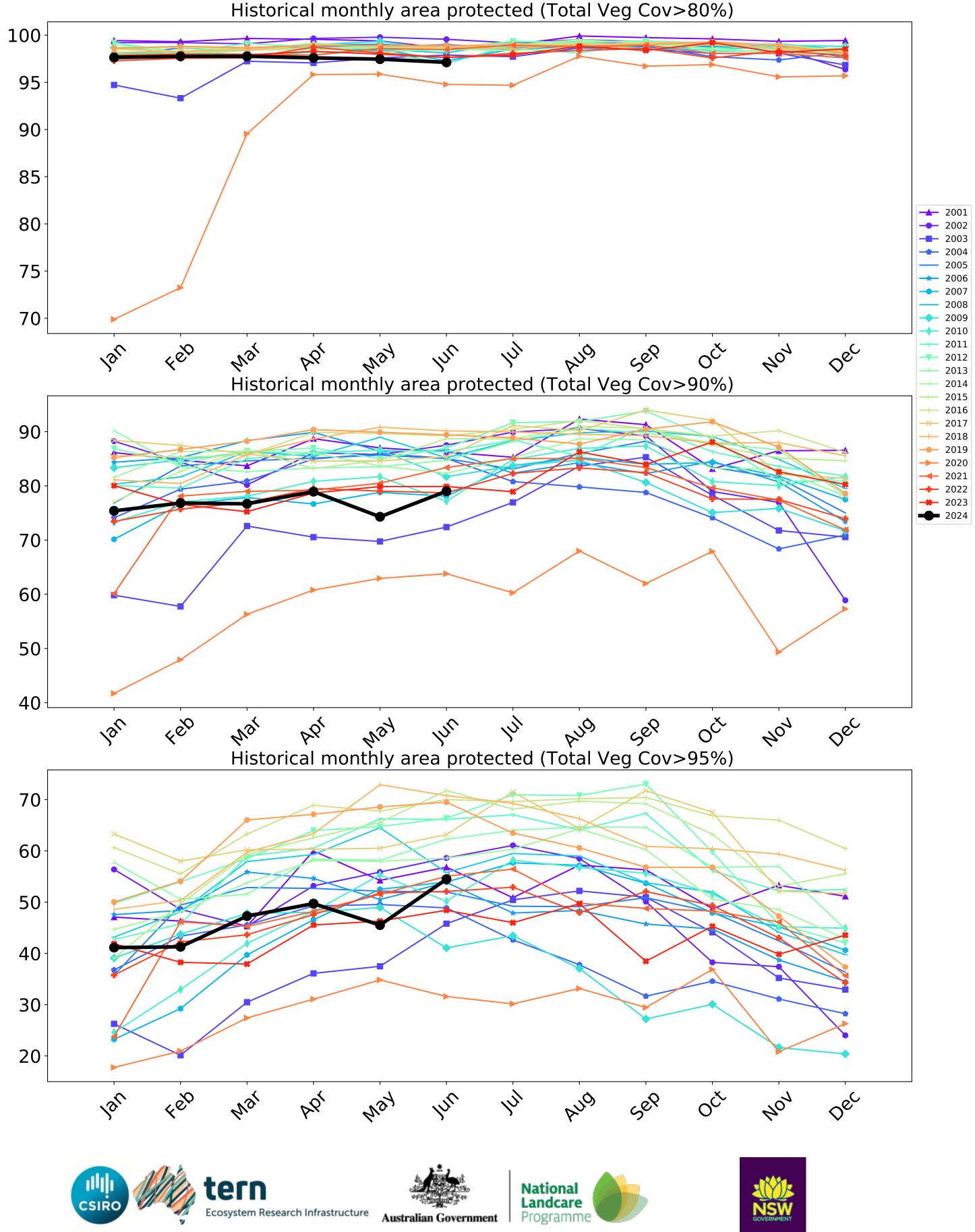


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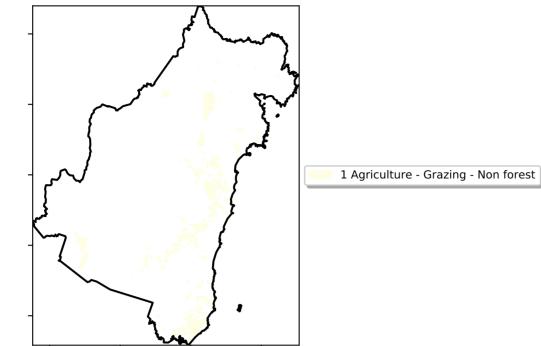




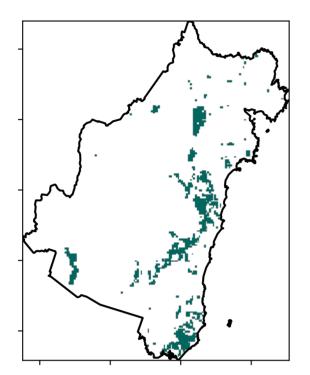


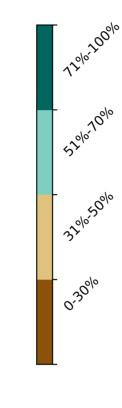
#### **Grazing non forest**

Land use and forest cover

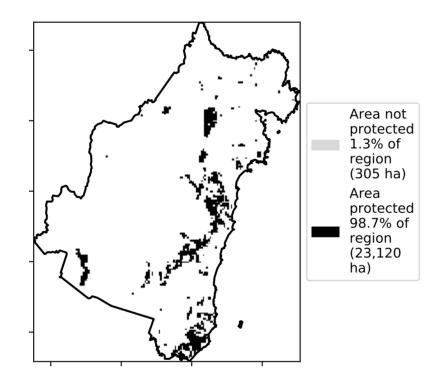


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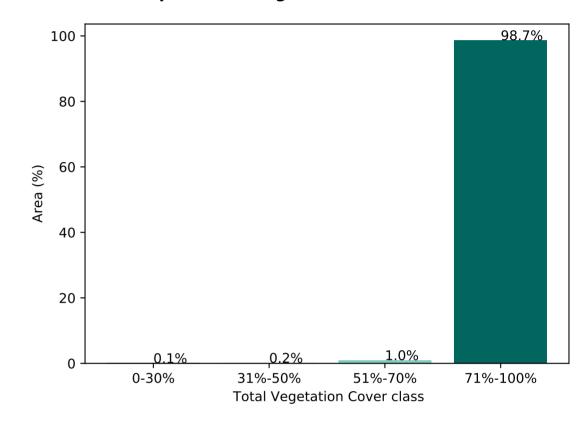




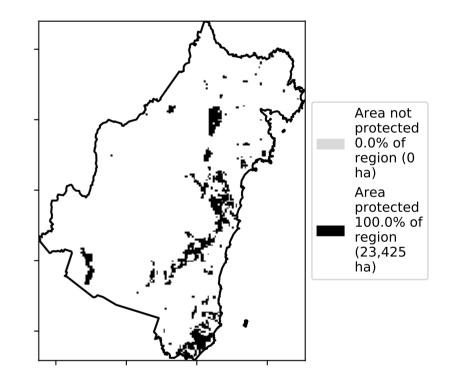
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



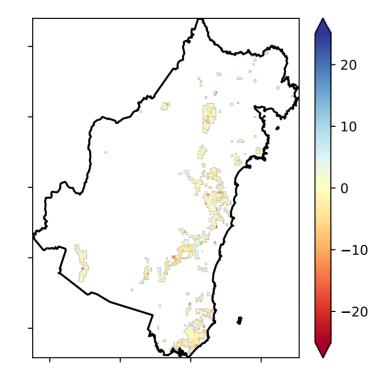
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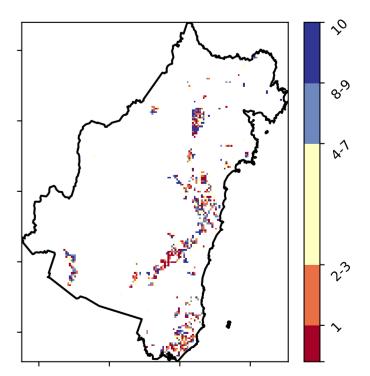
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

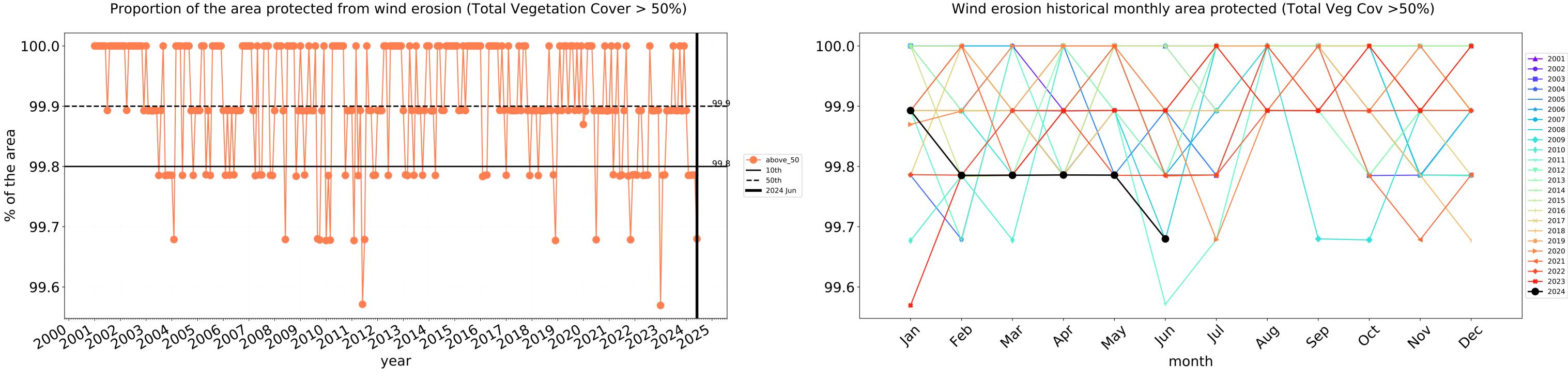
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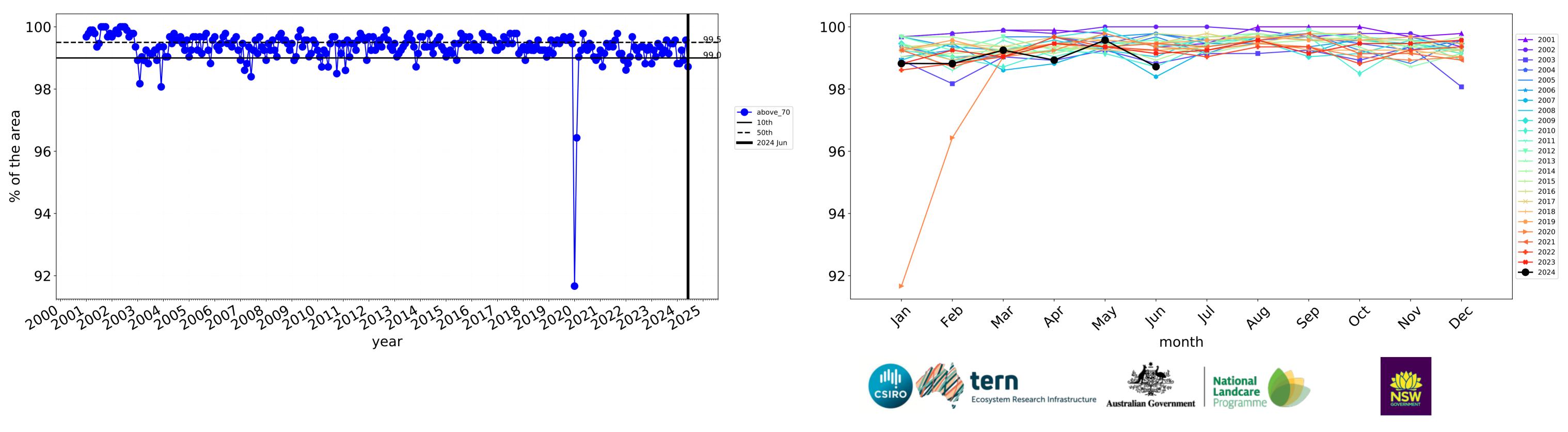
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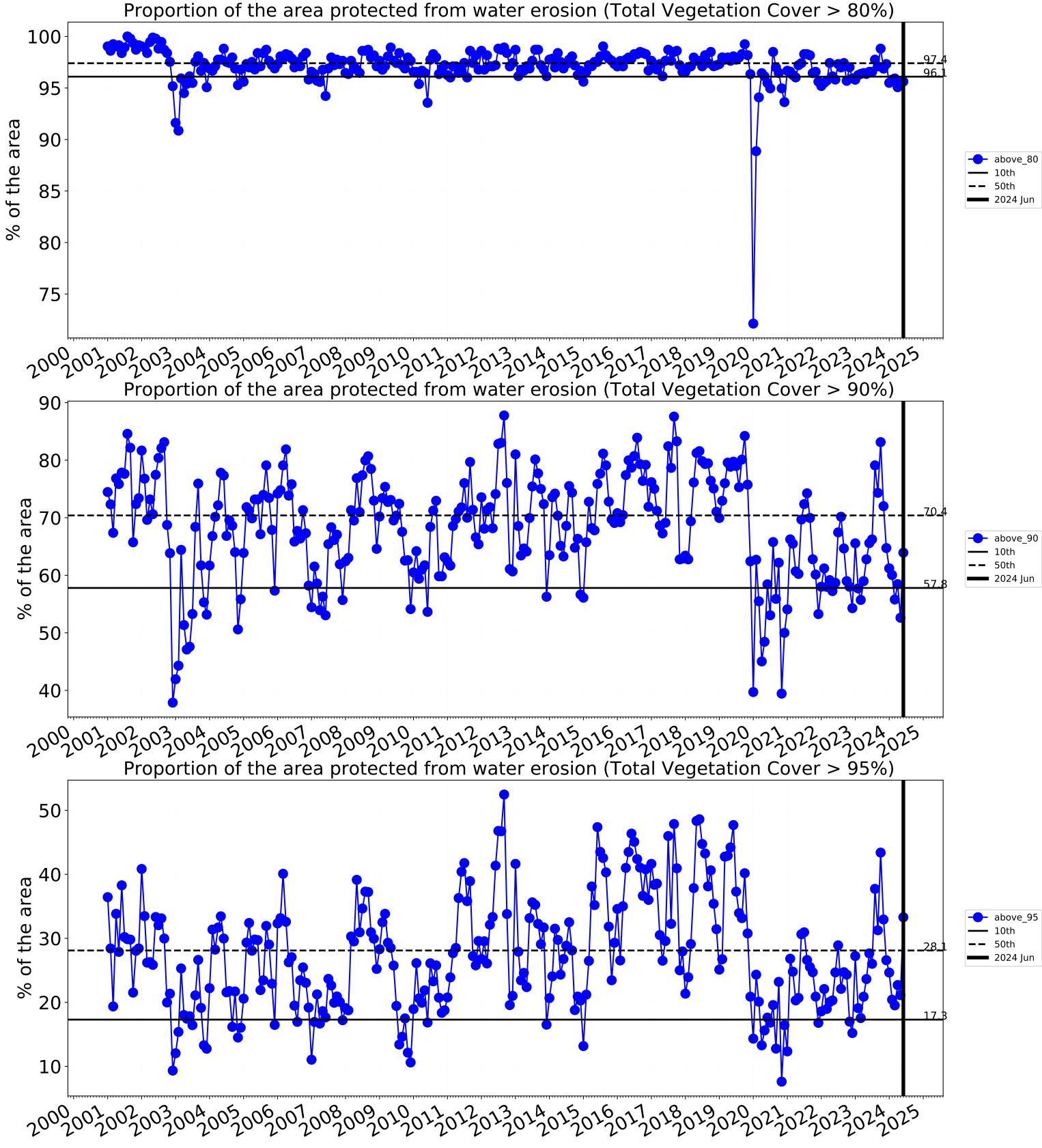


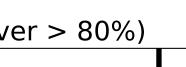
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

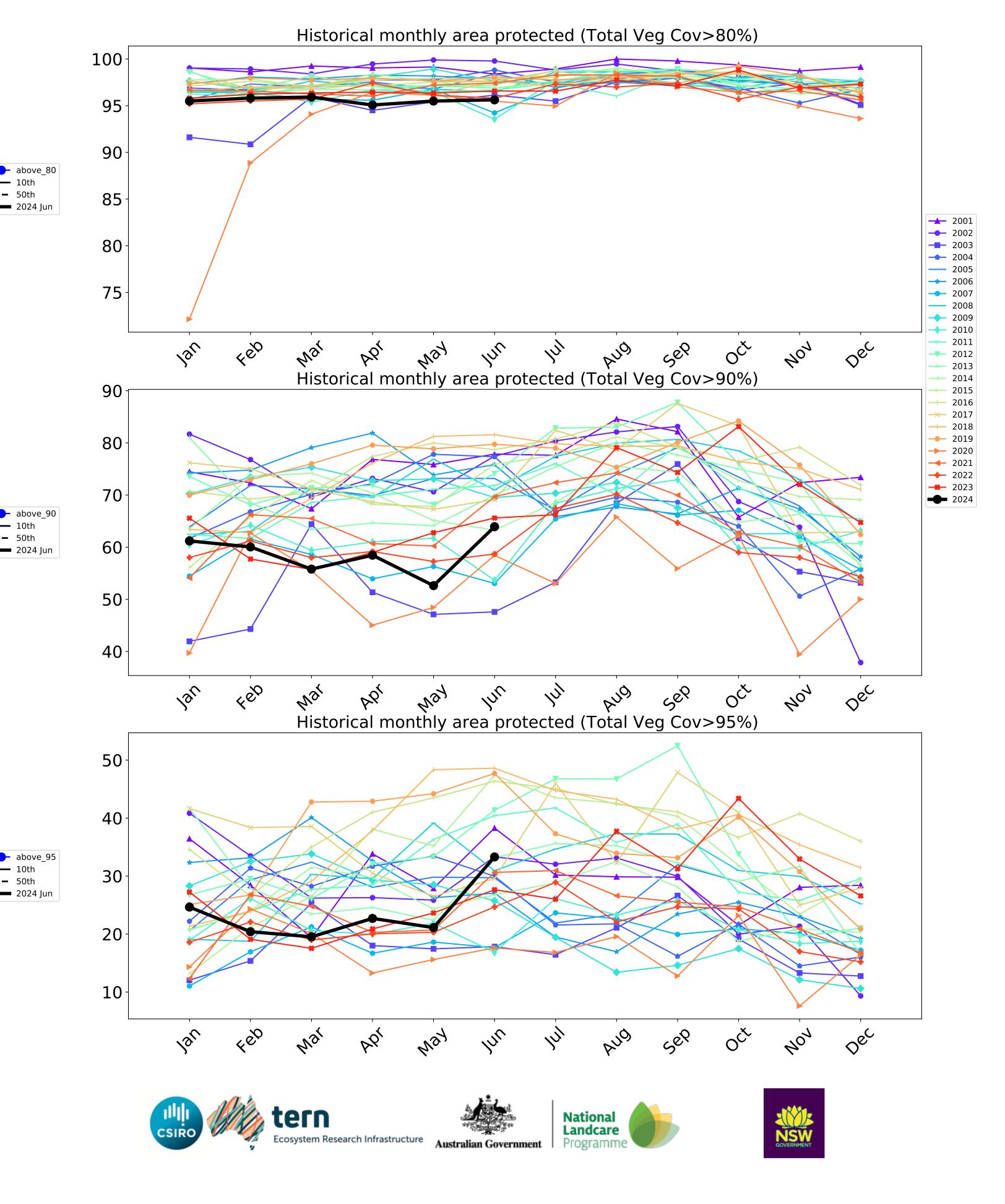


# Grazing non forest timeseries

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

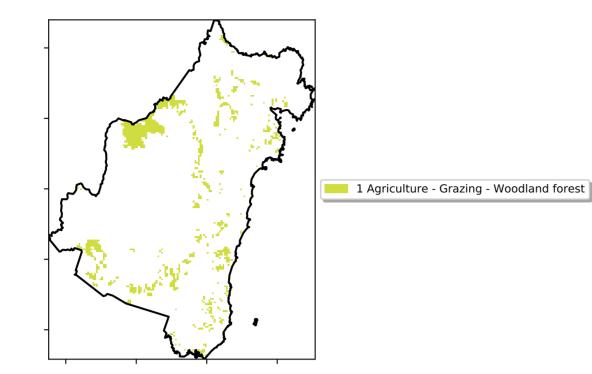




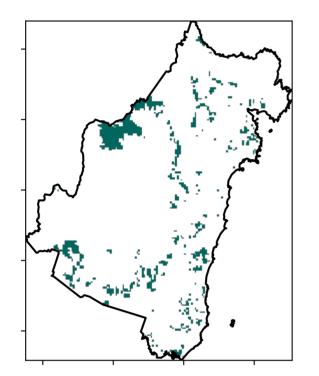


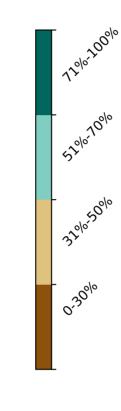
#### **Grazing Woodland forest**

Land use and forest cover

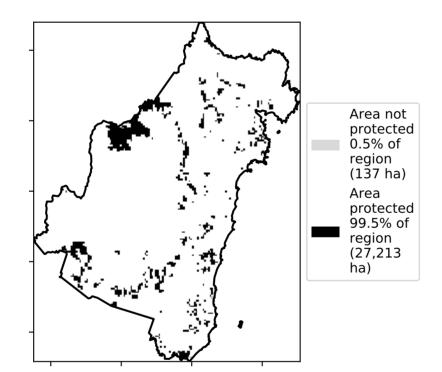


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

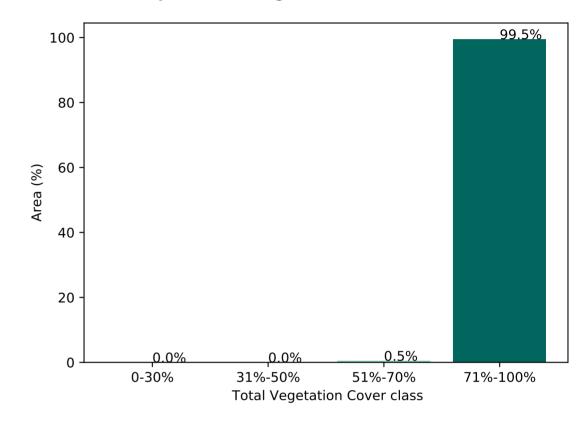




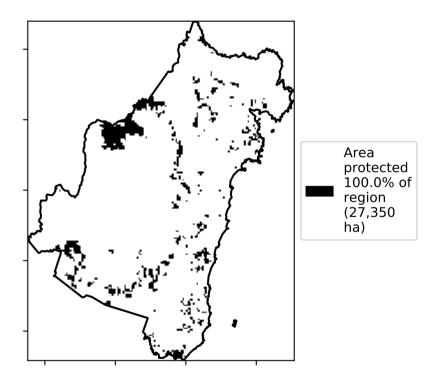
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



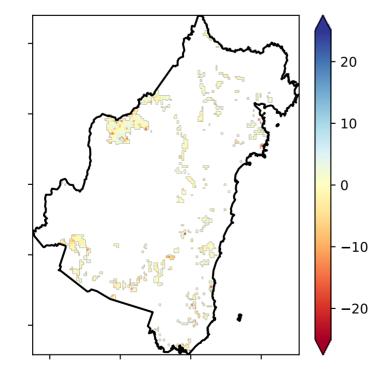
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



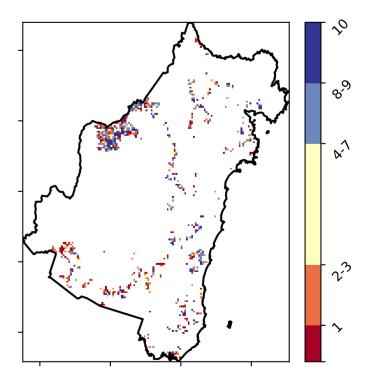
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

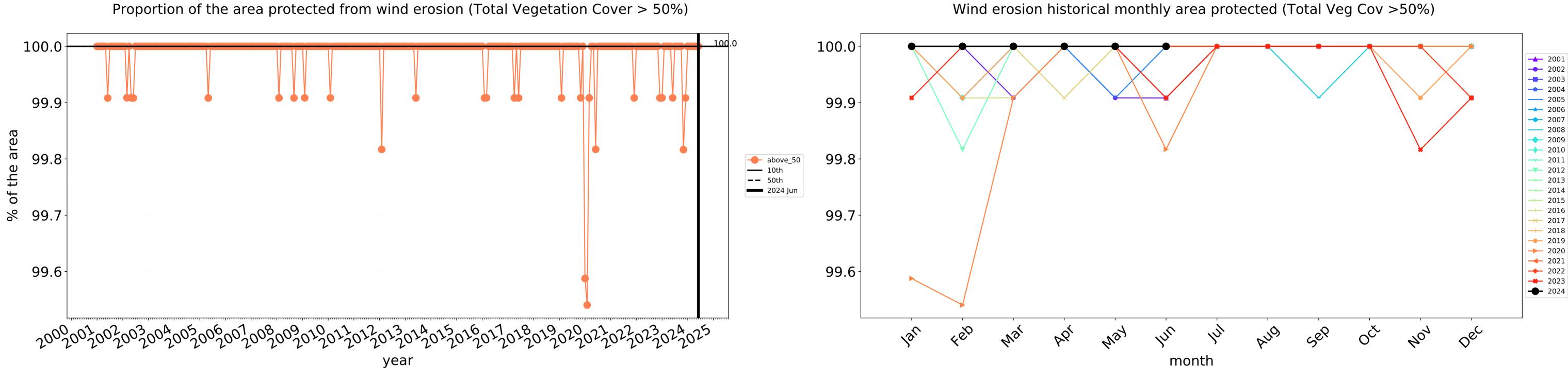
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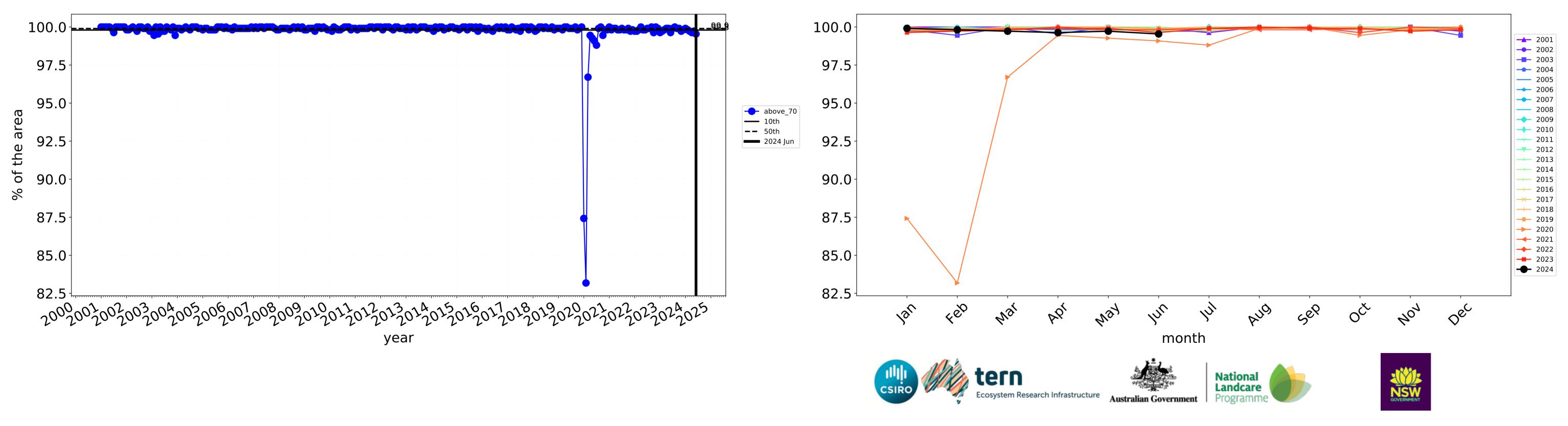


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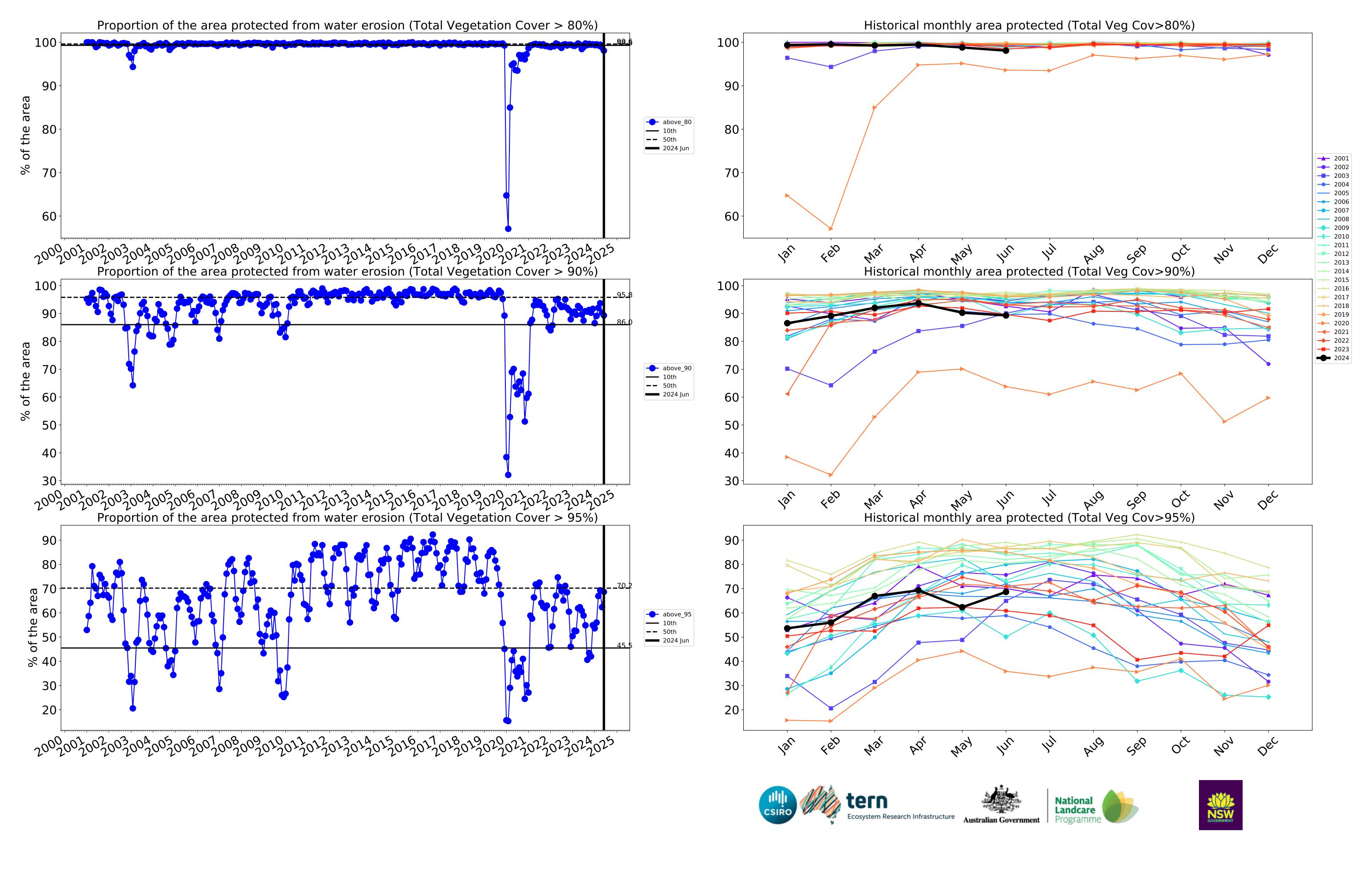






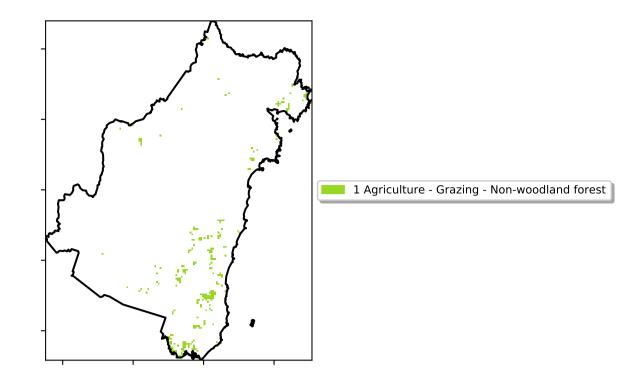


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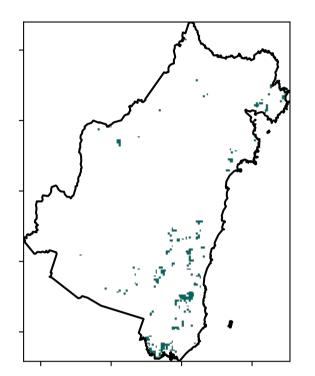


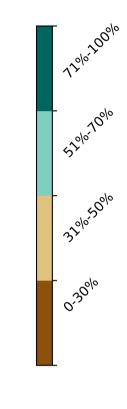
#### Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover

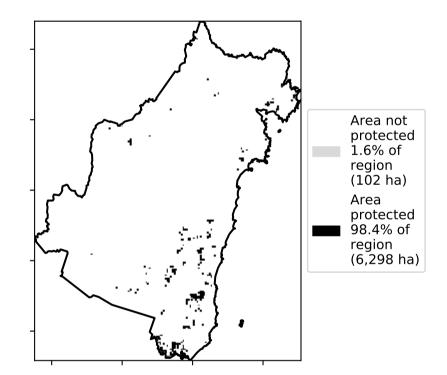


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

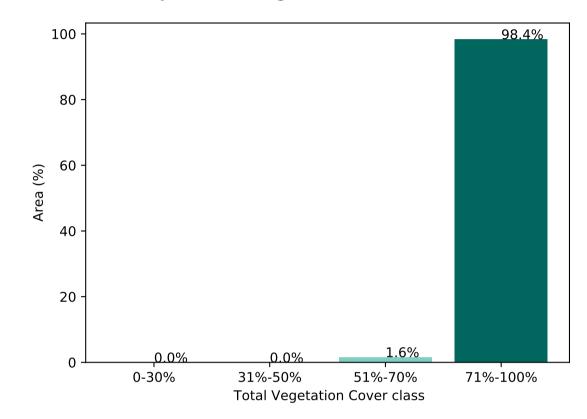




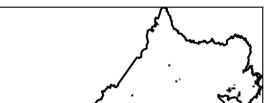
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



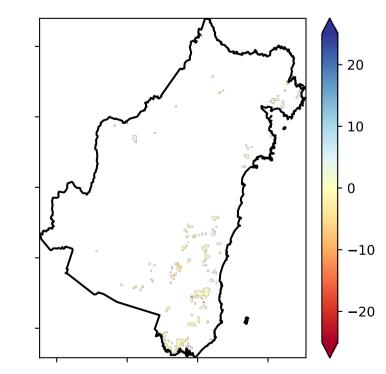
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



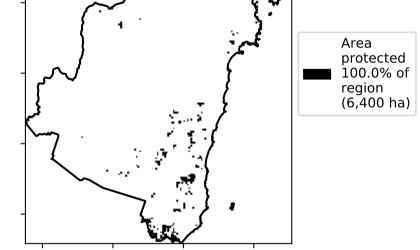
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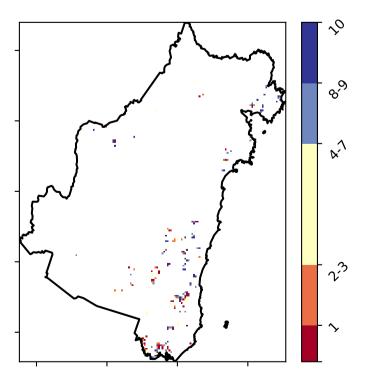
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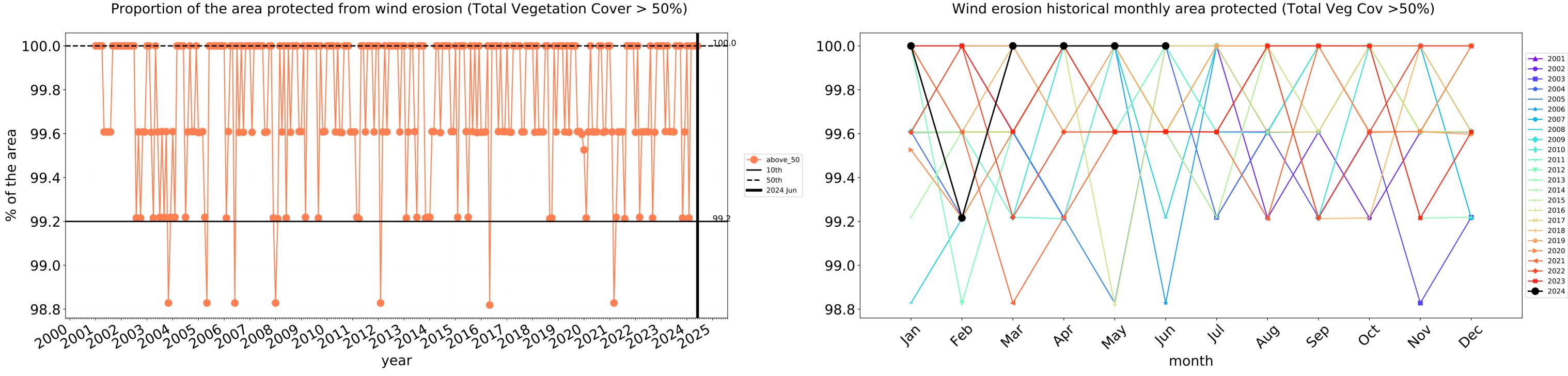


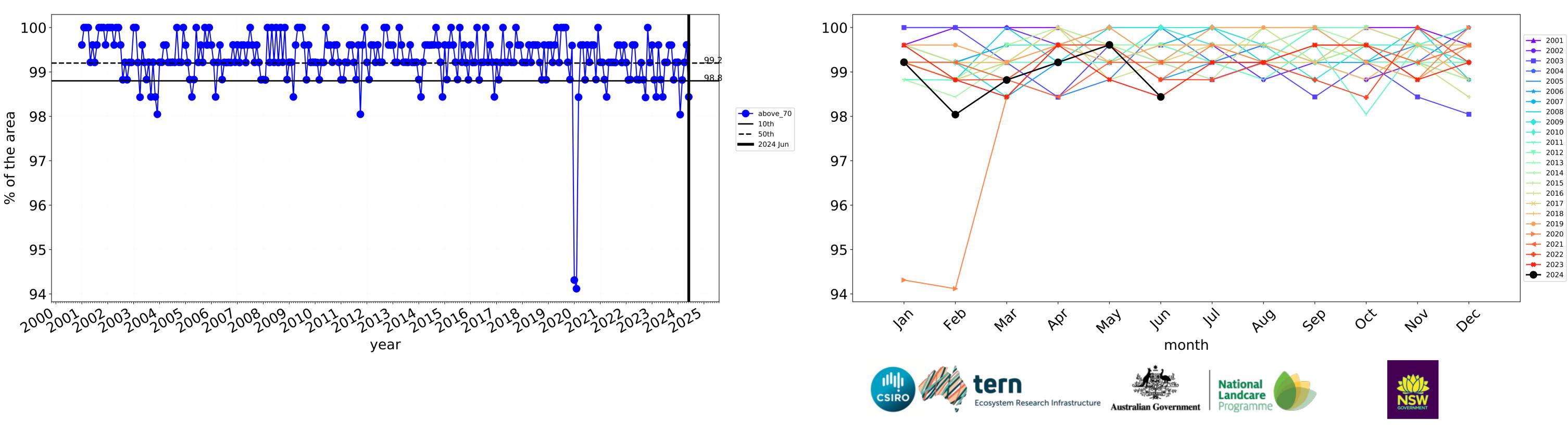
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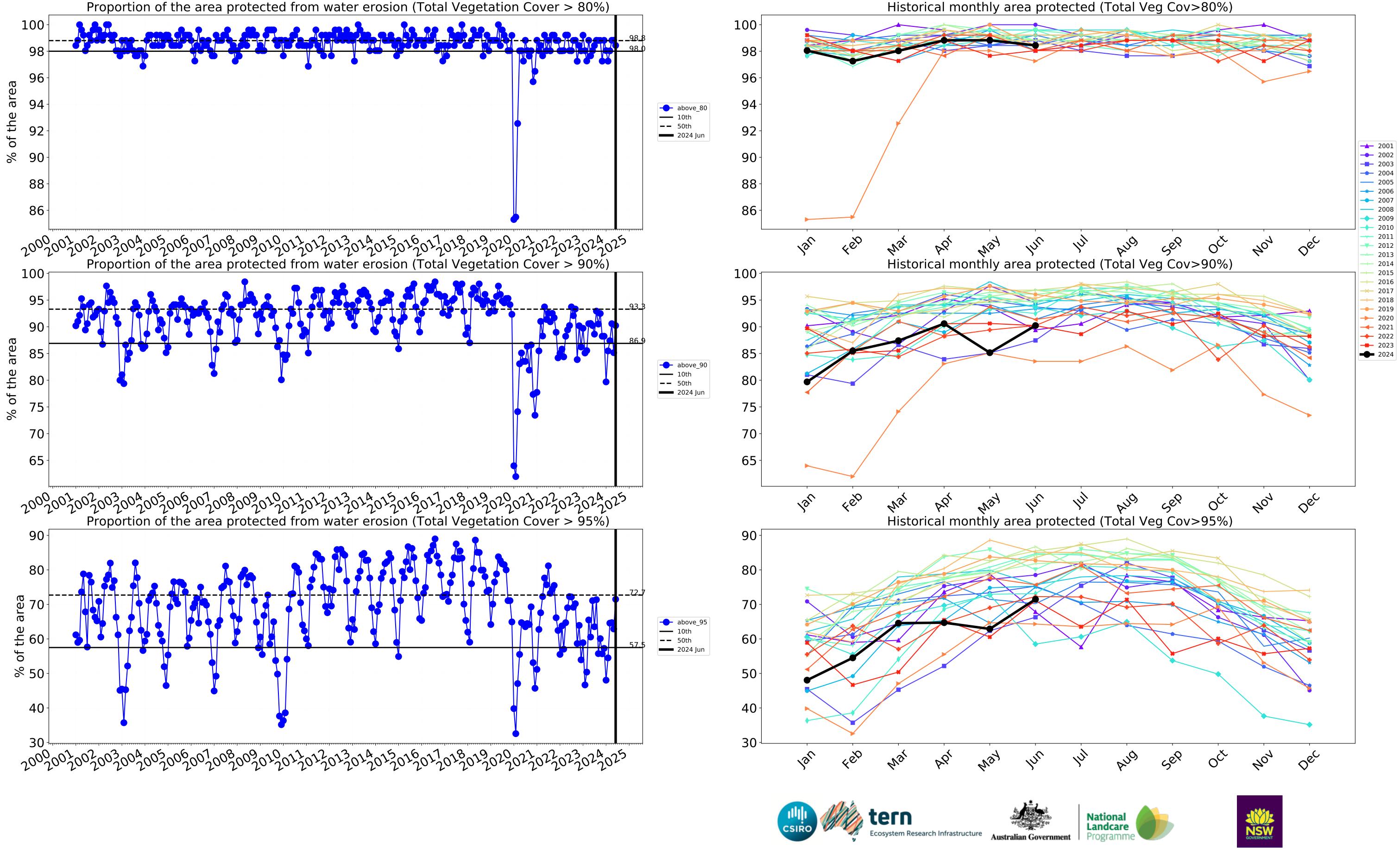






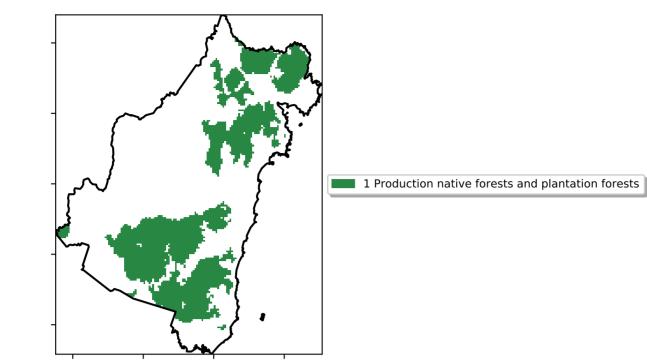
# Grazing - Forest (non woodland) timeseries

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

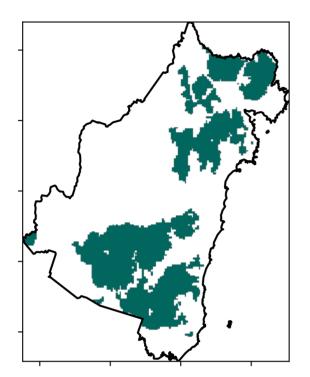


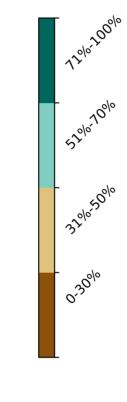
#### **Production native forests and plantation forests**

Land use and forest cover

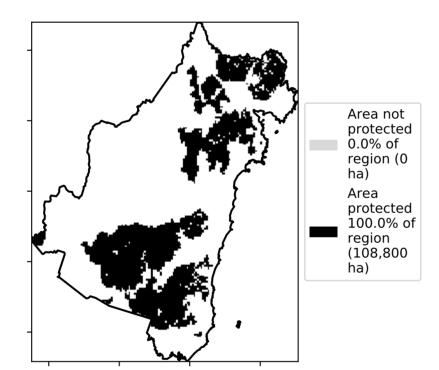


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

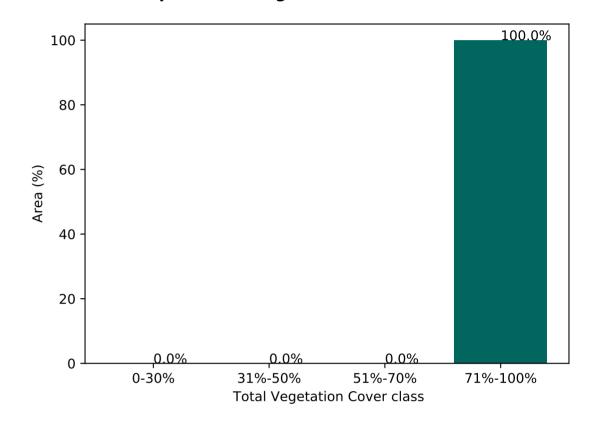




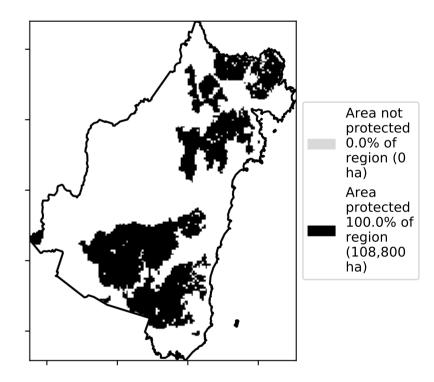
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



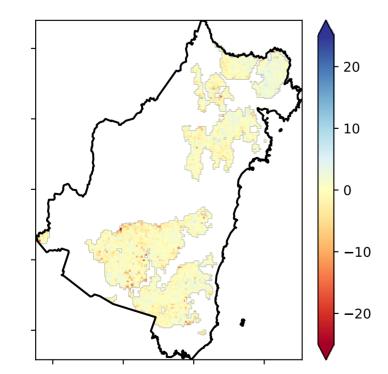
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



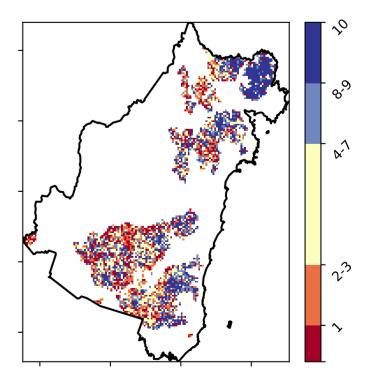
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

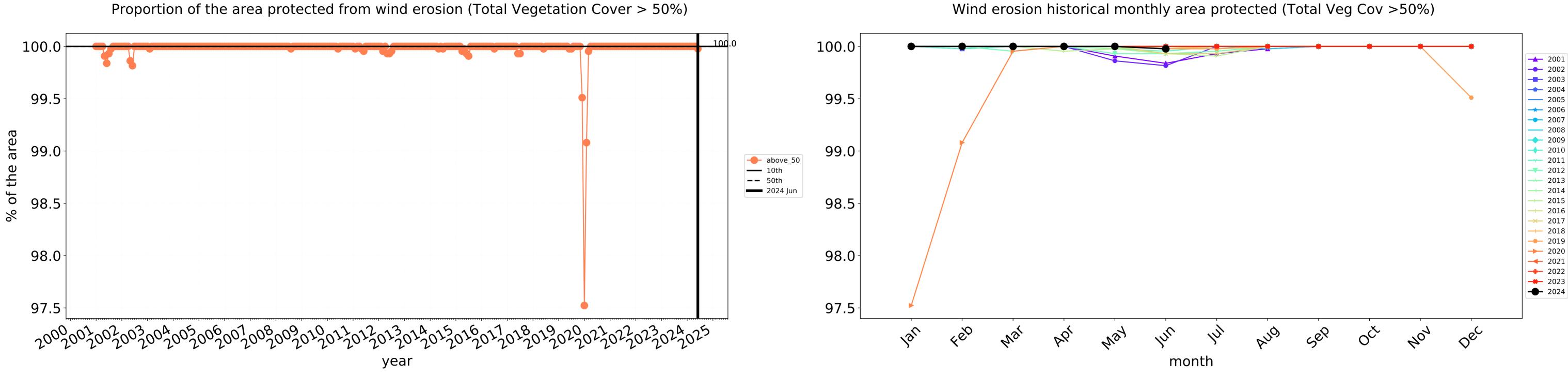
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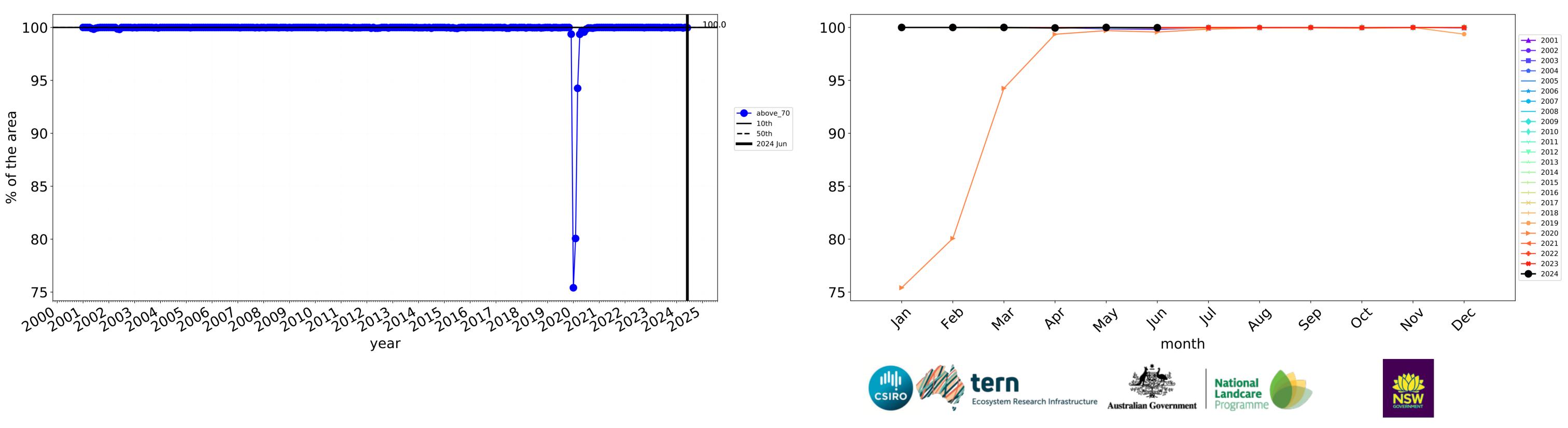


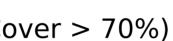
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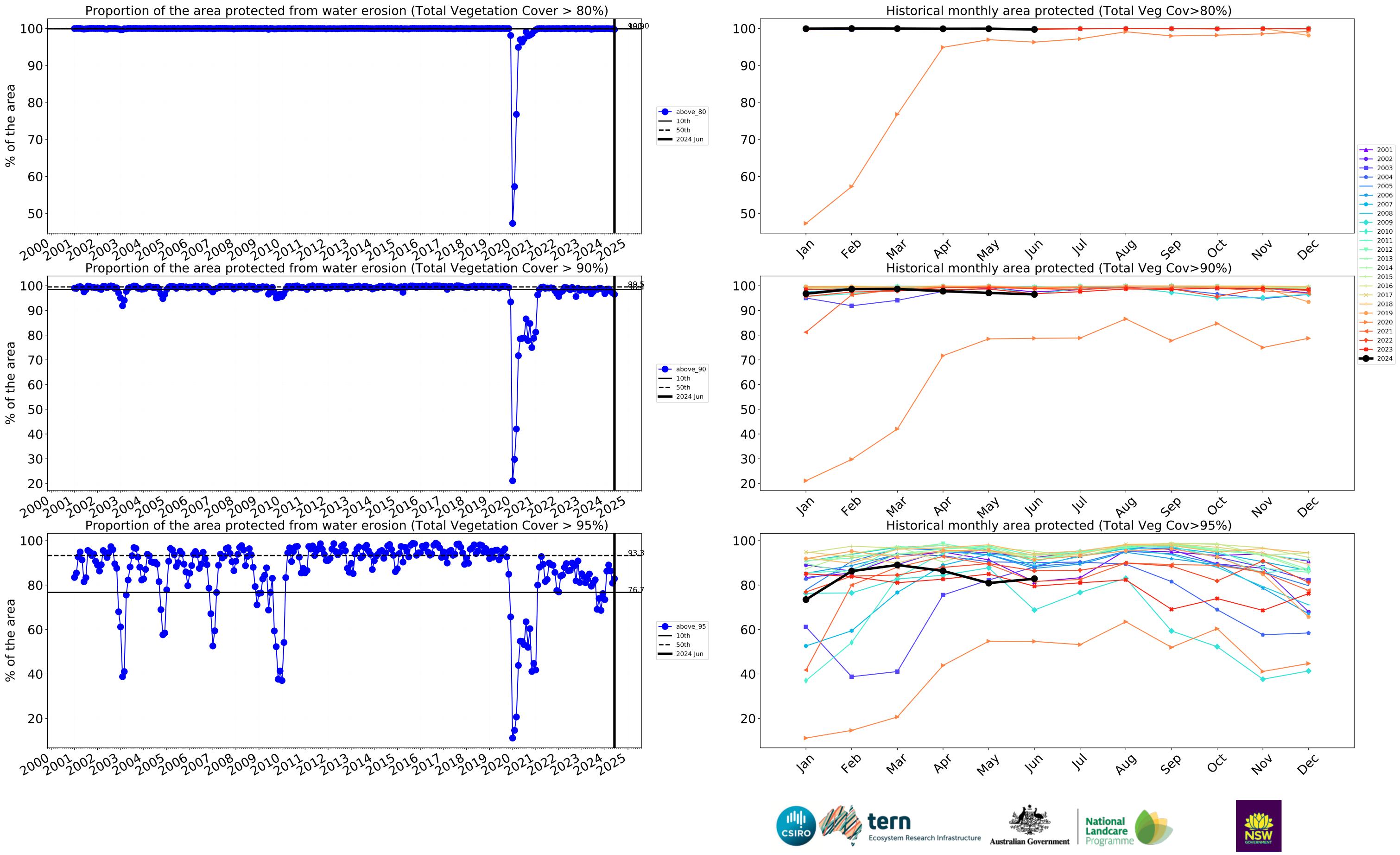








Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



# Eurobodalla\_(A) (337,000 ha and no data 5,962 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	337,000	99.9% 336,650	99.8% 336,175	99.0% 333,725	97.0% 326,800	86.6% 291,850	67.0% 225,675
Conservation and natural environments	150,150	99.8% 149,900	99.8% 149,800	99.2% 148,950	96.5% 144,950	86.6% 130,075	64.9% 97,425
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	115,750	100.0% 115,725	99.9% 115,675	99.5% 115,175	97.4% 112,700	88.1% 101,925	66.4% 76,875
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	33,475	99.4% 33,275	99.3% 33,225	98.5% 32,975	94.2% 31,525	82.7% 27,675	60.8% 20,350
Agriculture	57,850	100.0% 57,825	99.9% 57,775	99.1% 57,325	97.1% 56,200	78.5% 45,425	53.9% 31,200
Grazing	57,175	100.0% 57,150	99.9% 57,100	99.1% 56,650	97.1% 55,525	79.0% 45,175	54.5% 31,150
Grazing non forest	23,425	99.9% 23,400	99.7% 23,350	98.7% 23,125	95.6% 22,400	63.9% 14,975	33.3% 7,800
Grazing Woodland forest	27,350	100.0% 27,350	100.0% 27,350	99.5% 27,225	98.1% 26,825	89.3% 24,425	68.6% 18,775
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	6,400	100.0% 6,400	100.0% 6,400	98.4% 6,300	98.4% 6,300	90.2% 5,775	71.5% 4,575
Production native forests and plantation forests	108,800	100.0% 108,775	100.0% 108,775	100.0% 108,775	99.7% 108,500	96.5% 104,975	82.9% 90,150

