This report provides information about vegetation covering the soil surface for a region during a single month with comparison to previous years. The total vegetation cover indicates where soil is likely to be protected from wind (>=50% total vegetation cover) and water/hillslope (>=70% total vegetation cover) erosion. Results are shown for the whole region (polygon) and also separated by land use and forest cover class. This is because different land use / forest cover classes are likely to have different cover patterns and targets. [Lachlan (A)]

The six maps and two graphs provide a report for the month with:

- Land use and forest cover information for the area:
 - o Map: Land use and forest cover
 - o Chart: Land use and forest cover area
- Total vegetation cover for this month:
 - o Map: total vegetation cover classified into 4 classes
 - o Chart: total vegetation cover percentage area classified into 4 classes
- Areas protected from erosion for the month:
 - o Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares
 - o Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares
- Comparison with previous years:
 - o Map: anomaly compare this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years
 - o Map: deciles rank this month against the same month in previous years
- Time series from January 2001 to current:
 - o Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month since January 2001 (orange line): Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles. Vertical line is month of report.
 - o Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month since January 2001 (blue line): Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles. Vertical line is month of report.
 - o Rainfall: millimetres rainfall each month (black line). Vertical line is month of report.
- Time series for each month stacked by year
 - o Same data as time series from January 2001 to current month, grouped by month. Black line is current year of data.
- Water erosion protection on higher slopes. As slope increases, more cover is required to control water erosion. The thresholds reported are:
 - o the percentage area with pixels greater than 80% total clover
 - o the percentage area with pixels greater than 90% total clover
 - o the percentage area with pixels greater than 95% total clover
- The following pages repeat the above sequence for each land use and forest cover class. For example
- All agricultural lands, that is grazing, cropping plus Horticulture (depending on what land use is present)
- Grazing lands by forest classes if present
- Cropping lands
- Irrigation lands
- Protected areas by forest classes if present

The following pages repeat the above sequence for each land use and forest cover class if 1% or more of area makes up a land use and forest cover class. Four land uses are reported: Conservation and natural environments, Agriculture, production native forests and plantation forests, and other. Agriculture is further divided into grazing,

crops and horticulture are then divided into non-irrigated and irrigated. Land use is further divided by forest class if present: non-forest, woodland forest and non-woodland forest.

Explanatory notes:

This report has been generated using MODIS fractional vegetation cover information available in Rangelands and Pasture Productivity (RAPP) map tool. The report is based on an analysis of 500 metre pixel data on monthly time steps. Report uses baseline from January 2001 to September 2019 for each month to generate anomalies and deciles. Post September 2019 all similar months are used to calculate anomalies and deciles.

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:

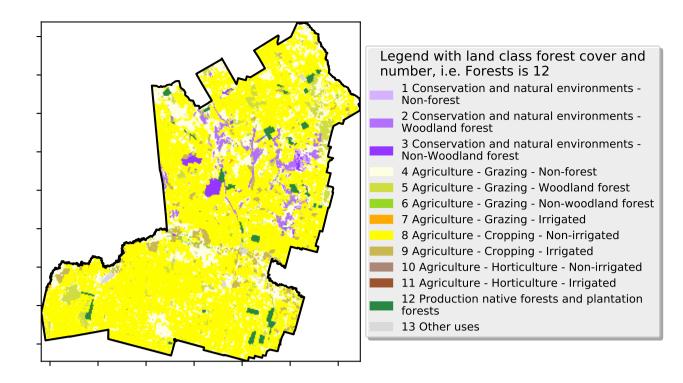
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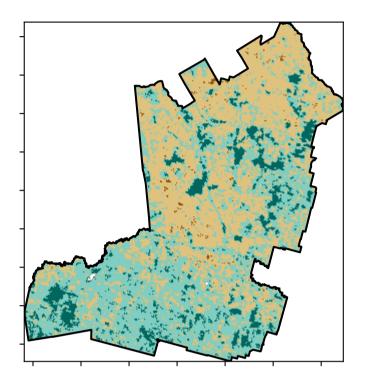
Vegetation Cover Sep 2019

Land use and forest cover

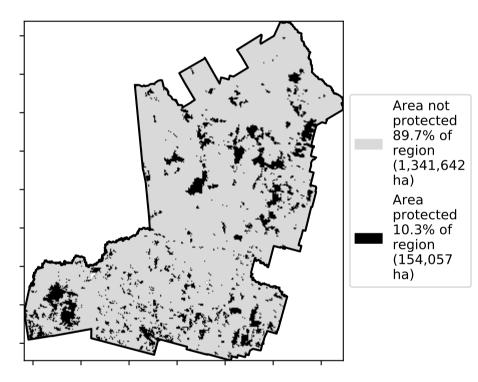
Proportion of each land class in area

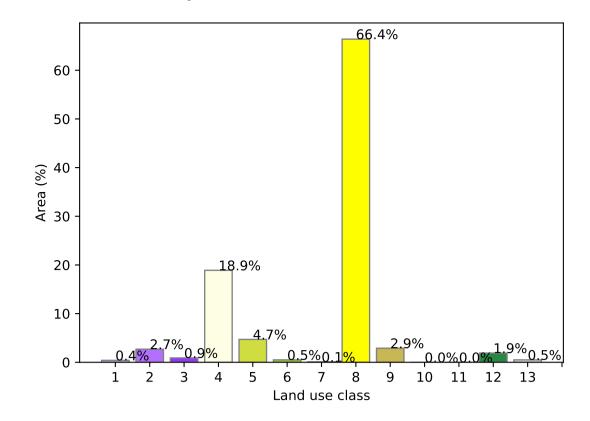


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

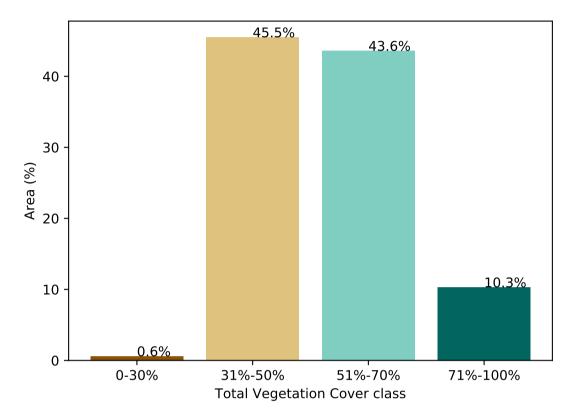


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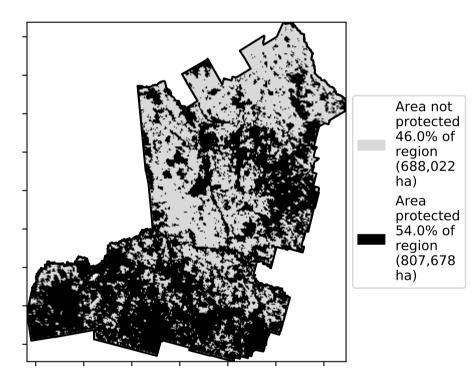




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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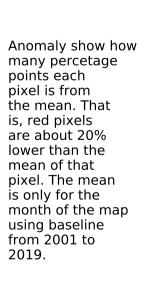
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



Landuse map of area based on 2015

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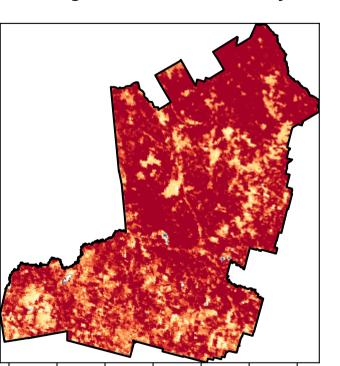
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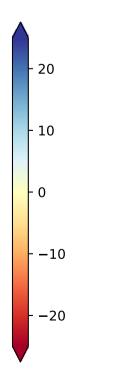
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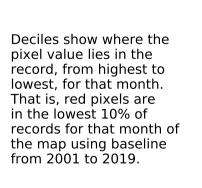


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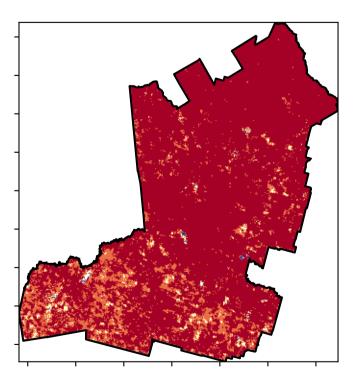
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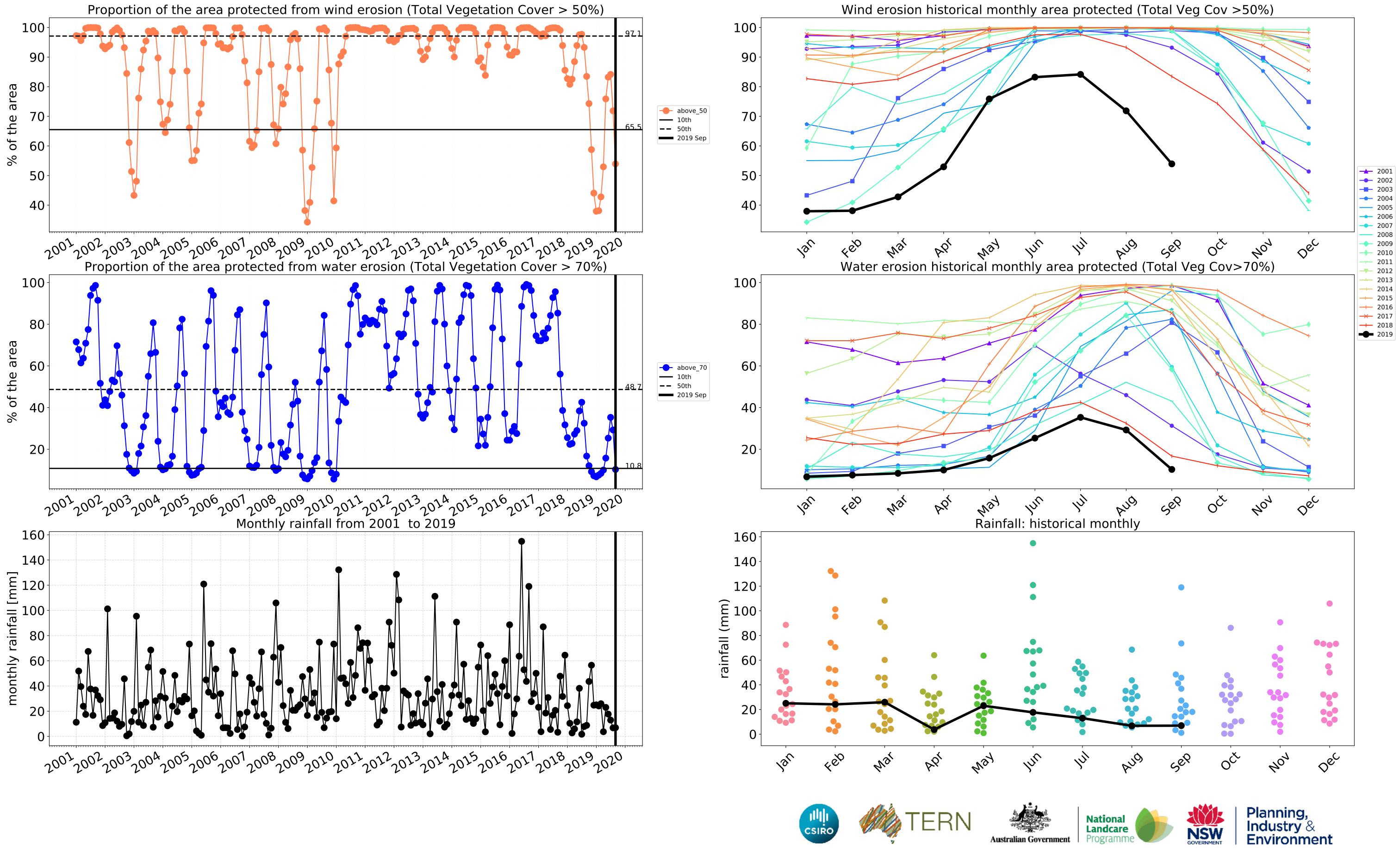


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





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Conservation and natural environments

Landuse map of area based on 2015 catchment scale landuse and Australia's National Forest Inventory, where no forest is < 20% tree cover, sparse is 20 to 50% and dense > 50% tree cover.

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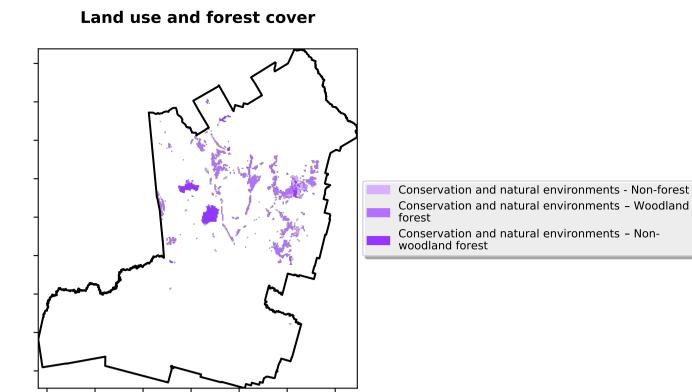
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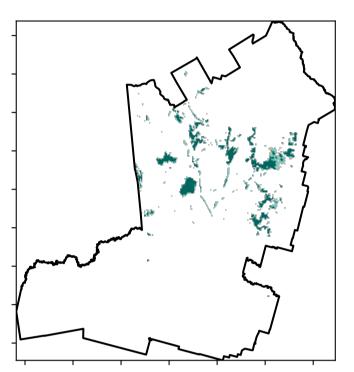
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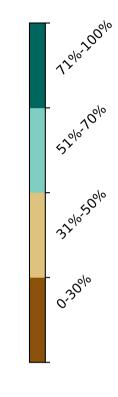
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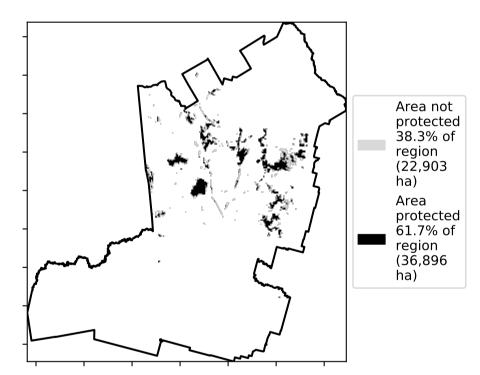


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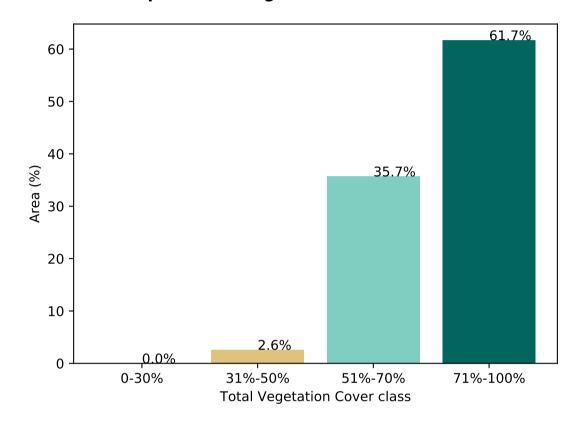




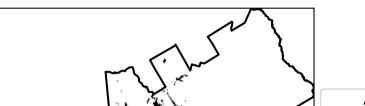
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



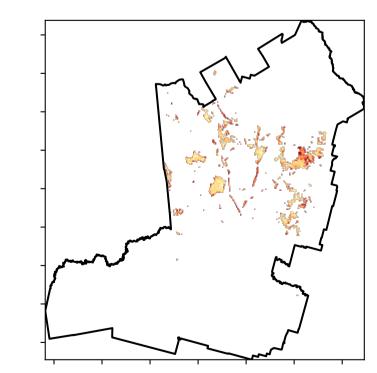
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

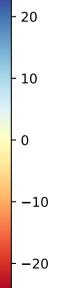


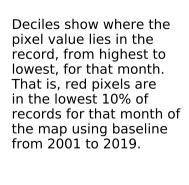
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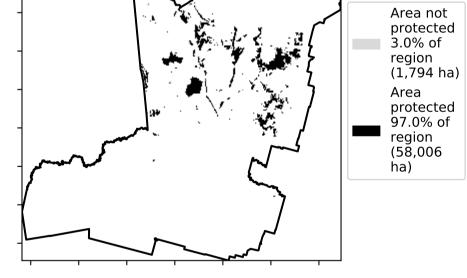


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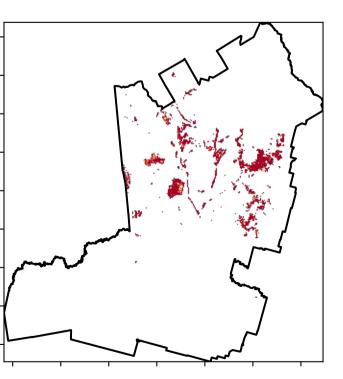


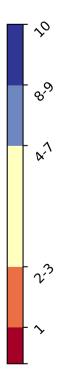




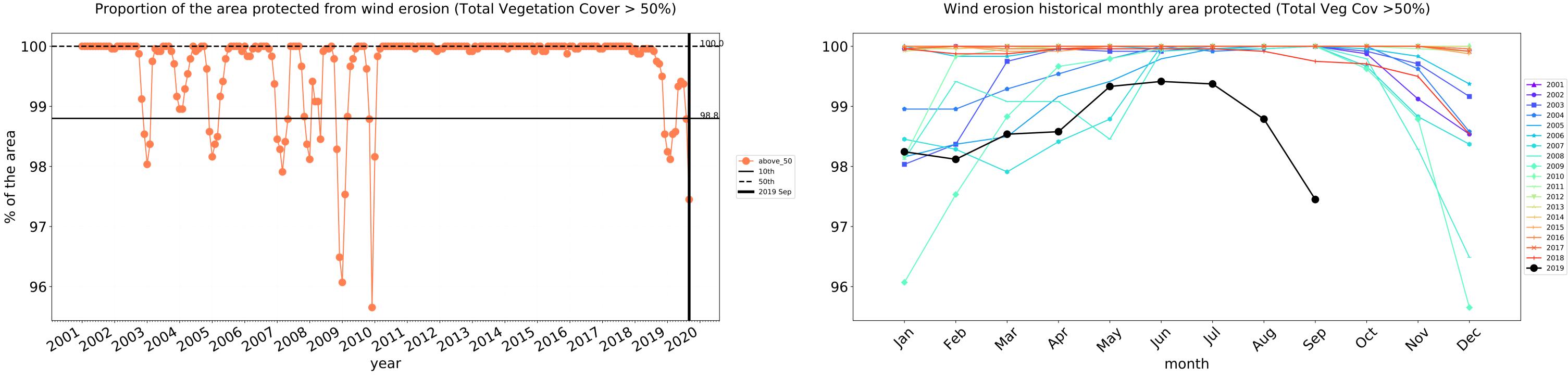


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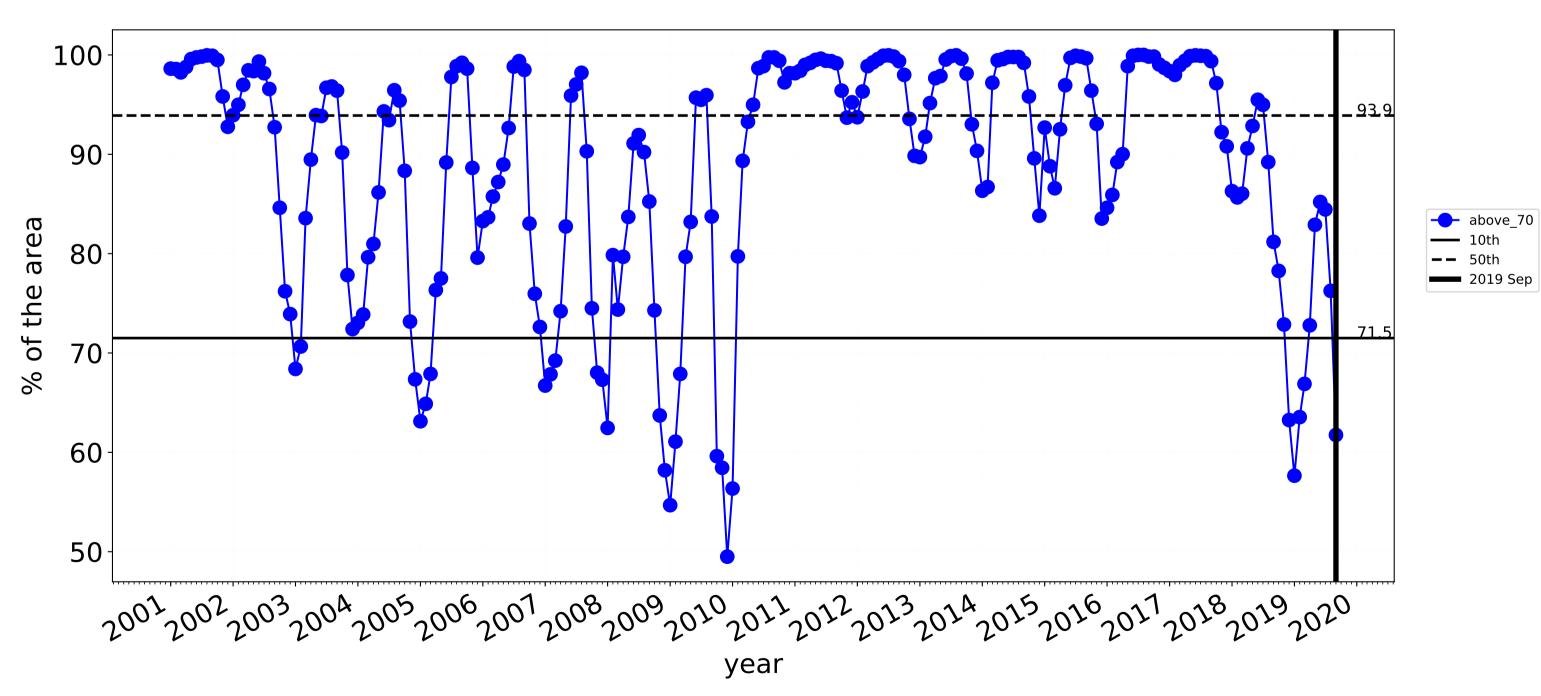


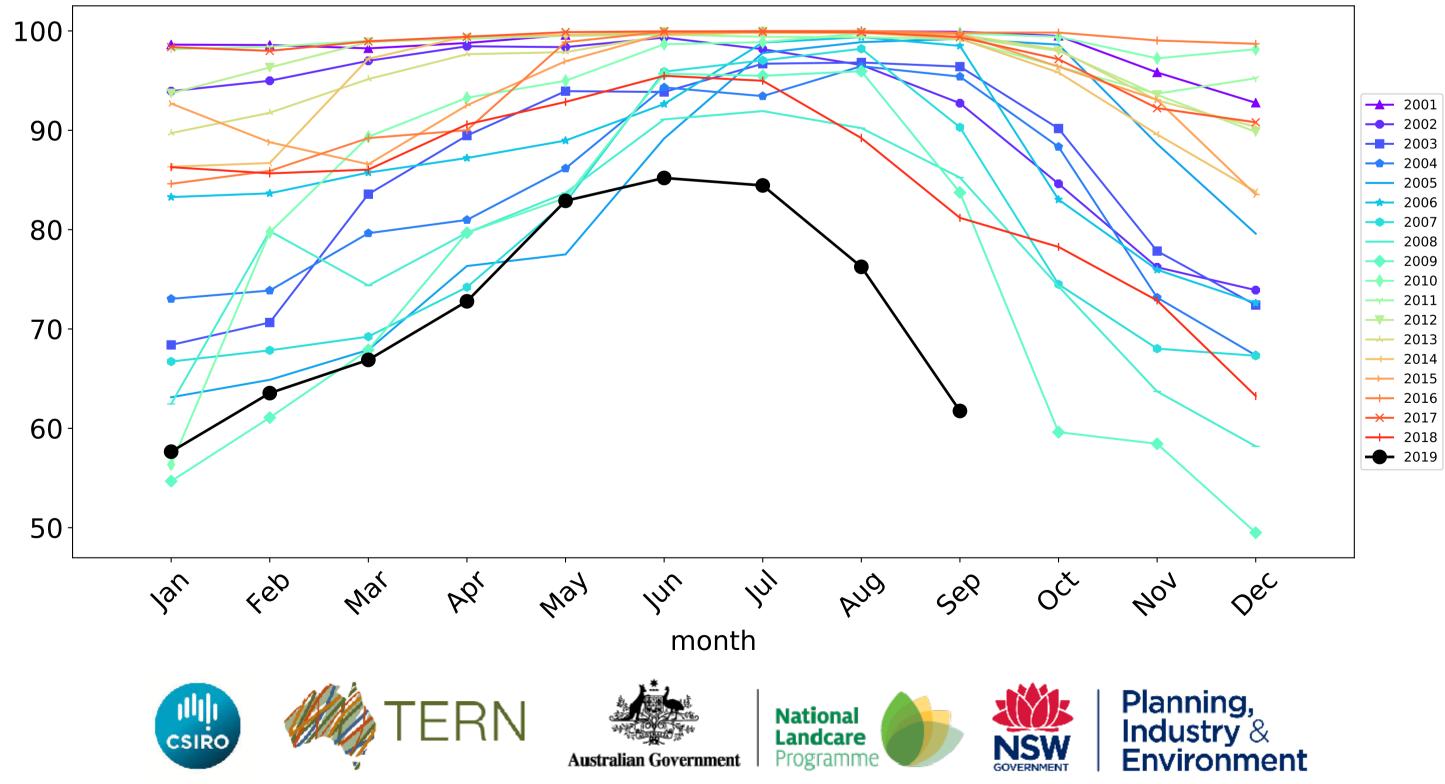




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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

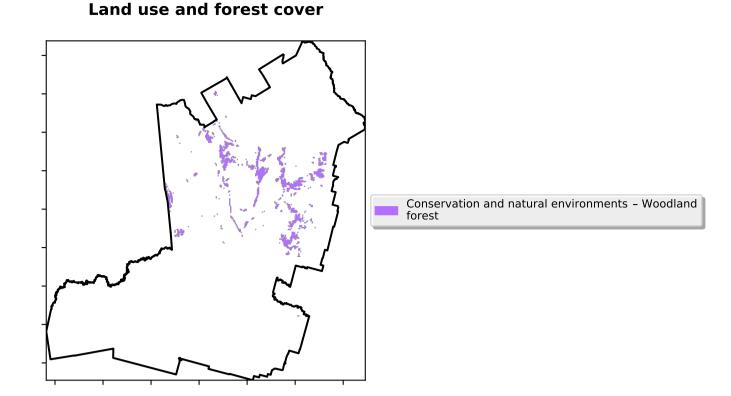




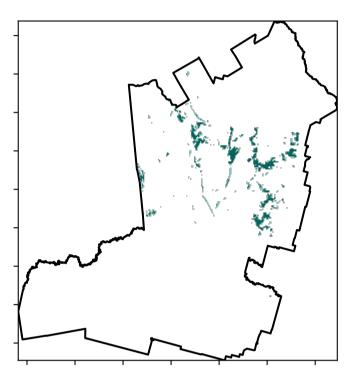
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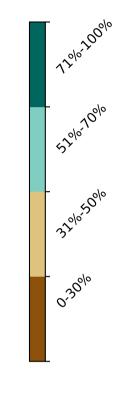
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest

Landuse map of area based on 2015 catchment scale landuse and Australia's National Forest Inventory, where no forest is < 20% tree cover, sparse is 20 to 50% and dense > 50% tree cover.

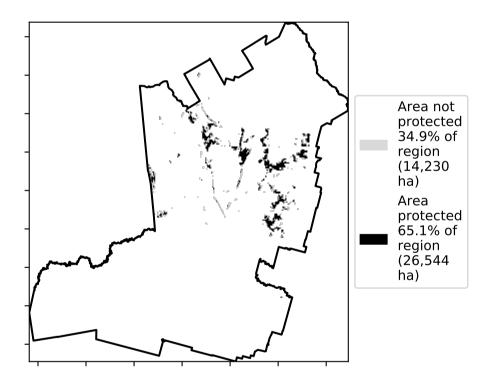


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

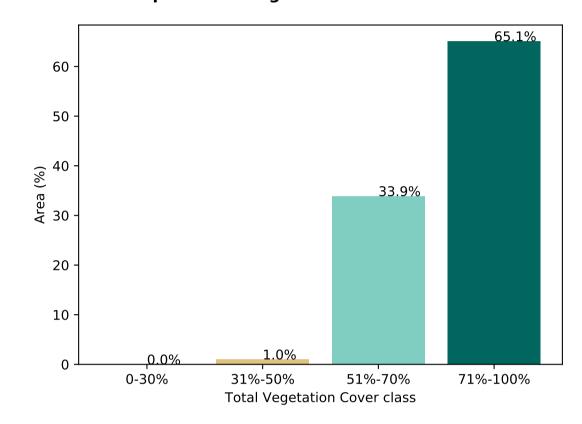




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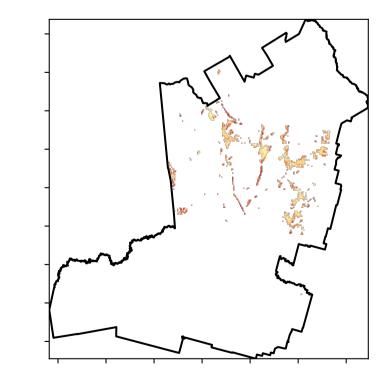
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



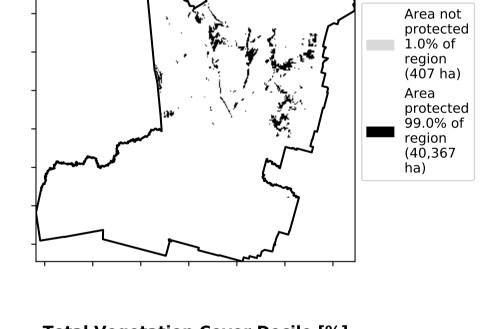
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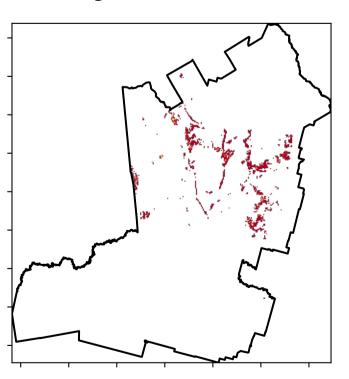
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

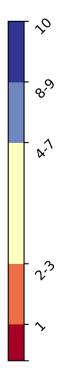






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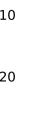
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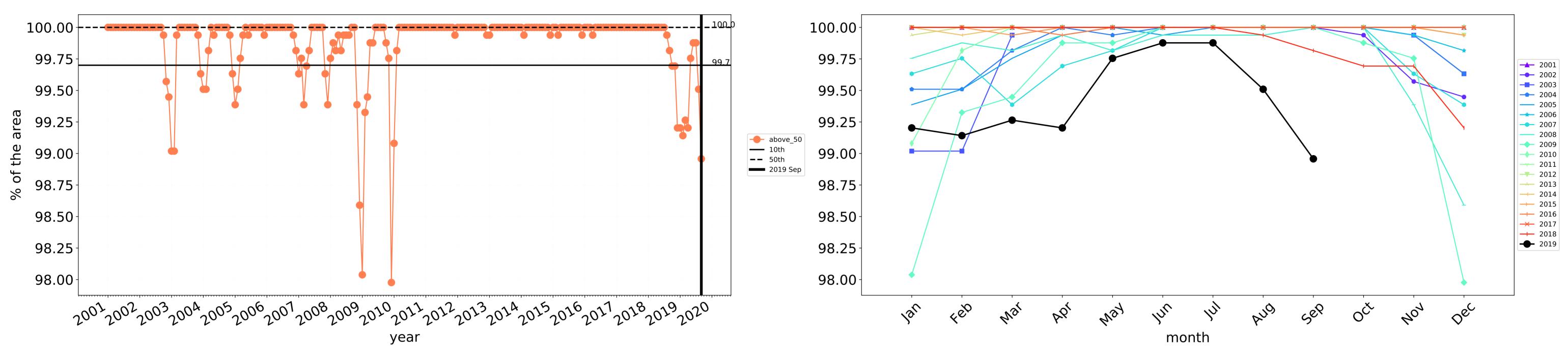
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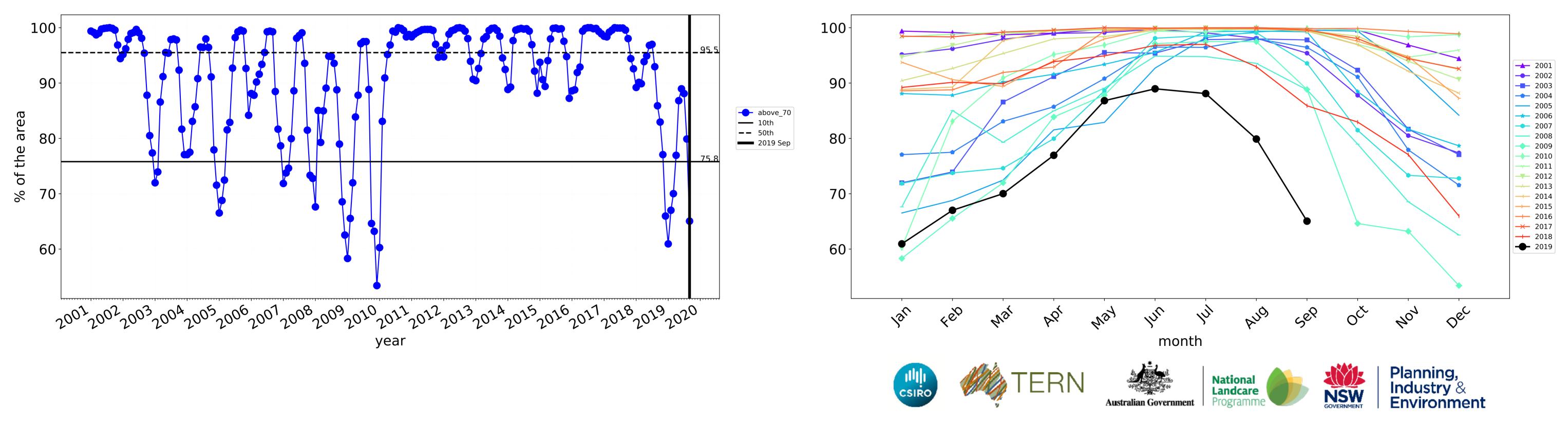
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



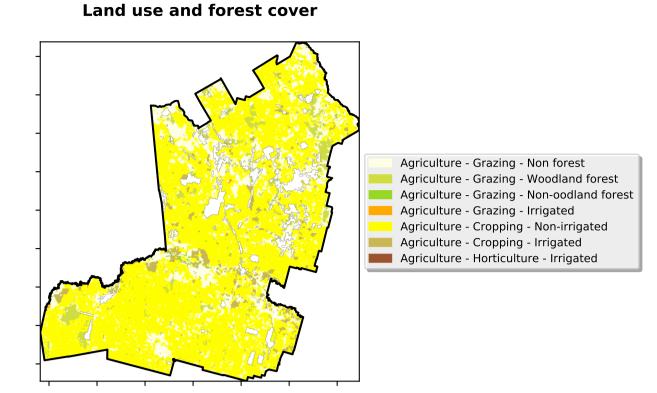


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

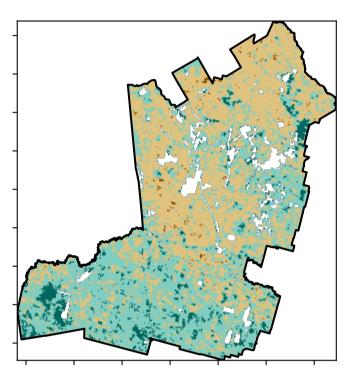


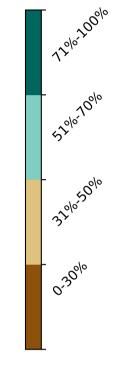
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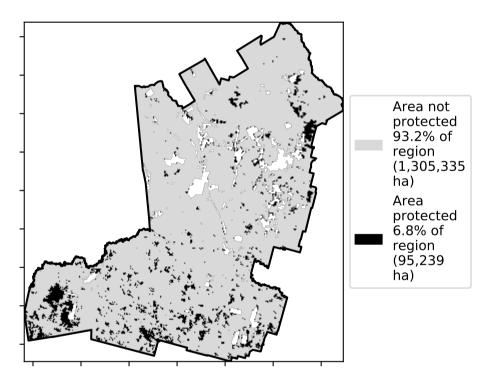


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

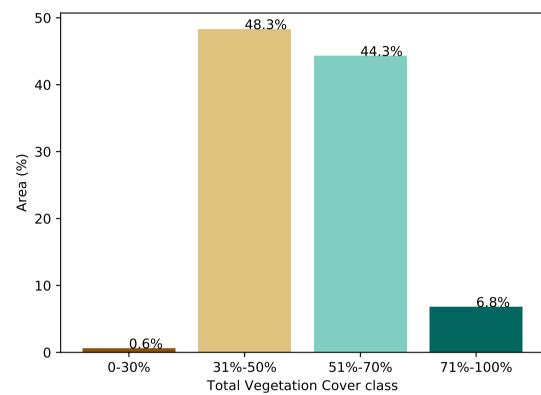




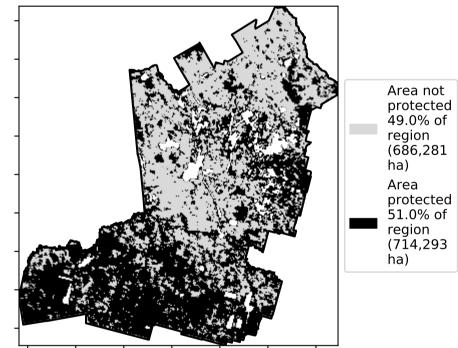
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

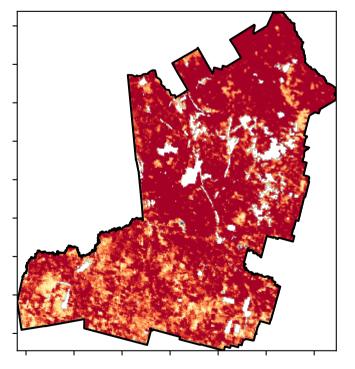


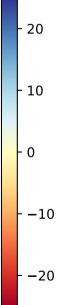
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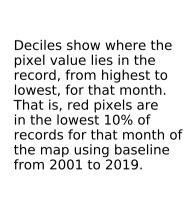


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

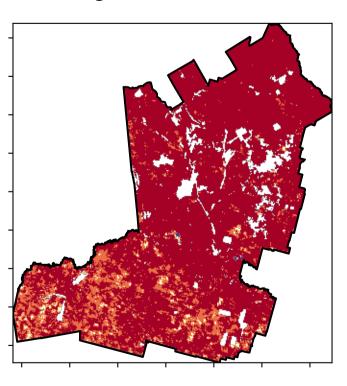
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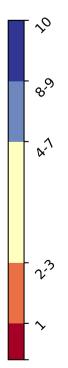




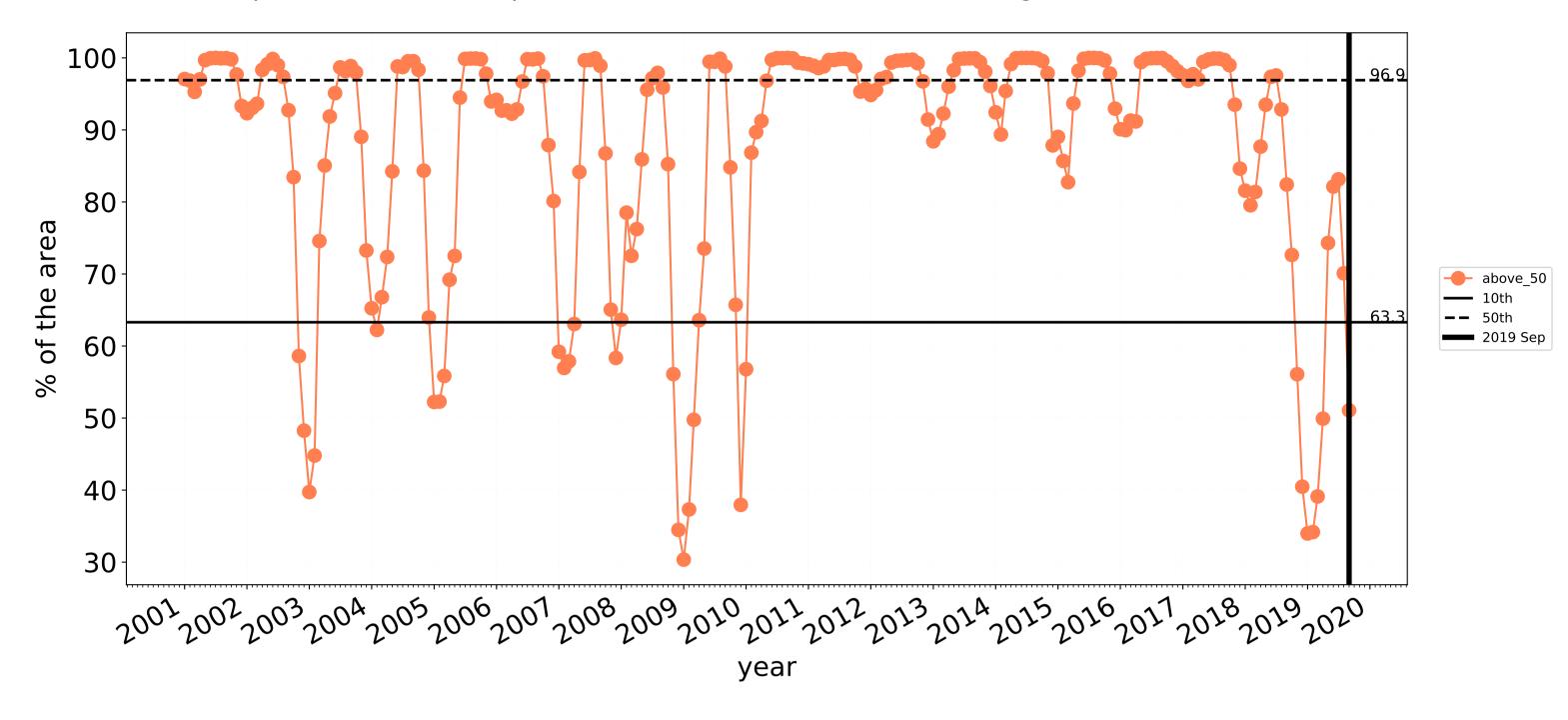


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



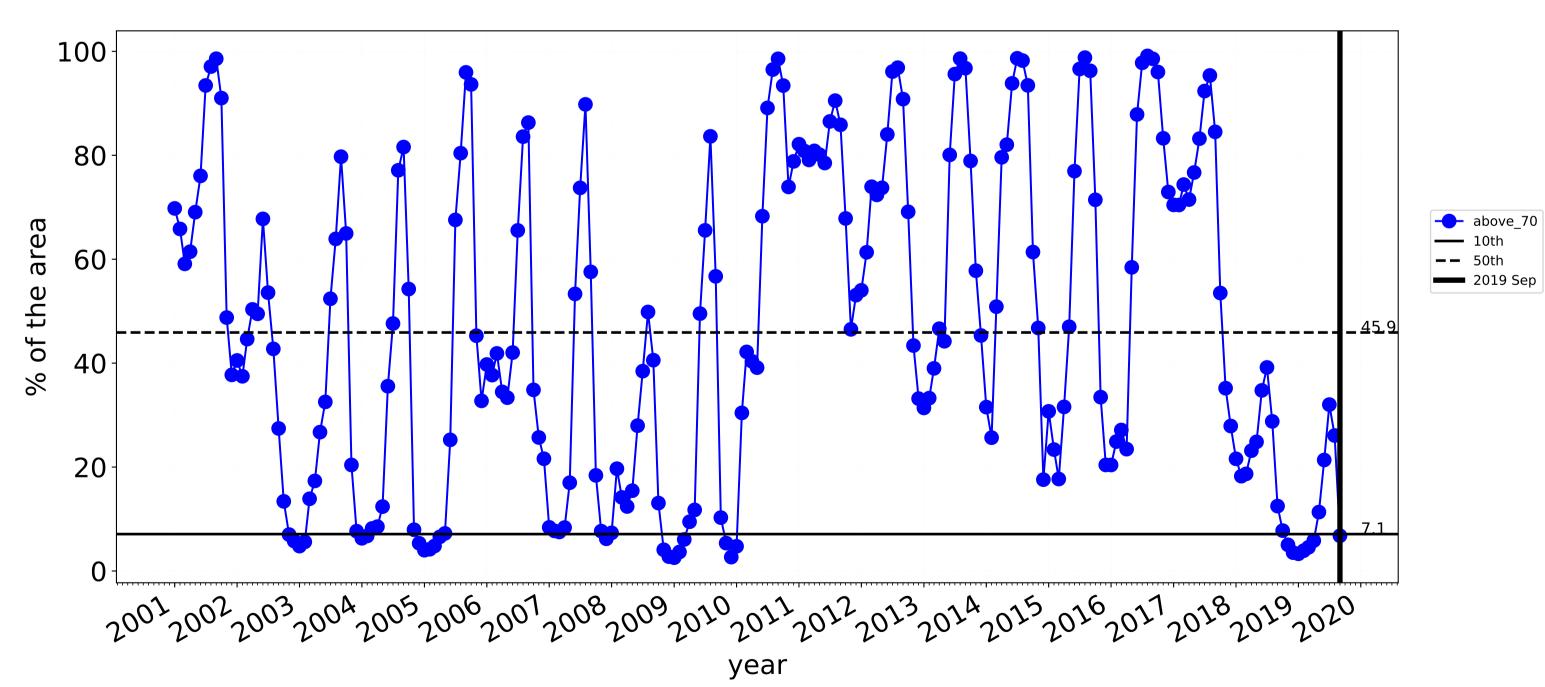






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

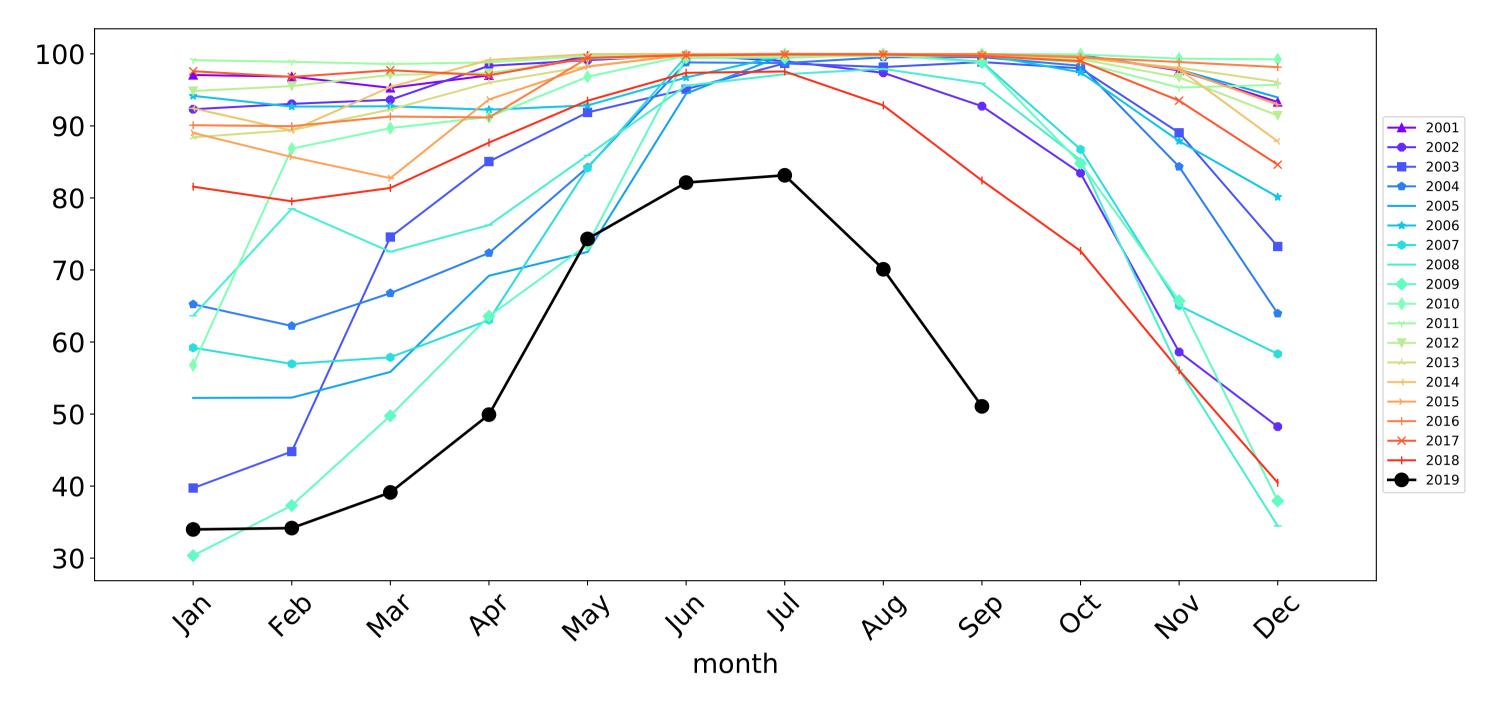


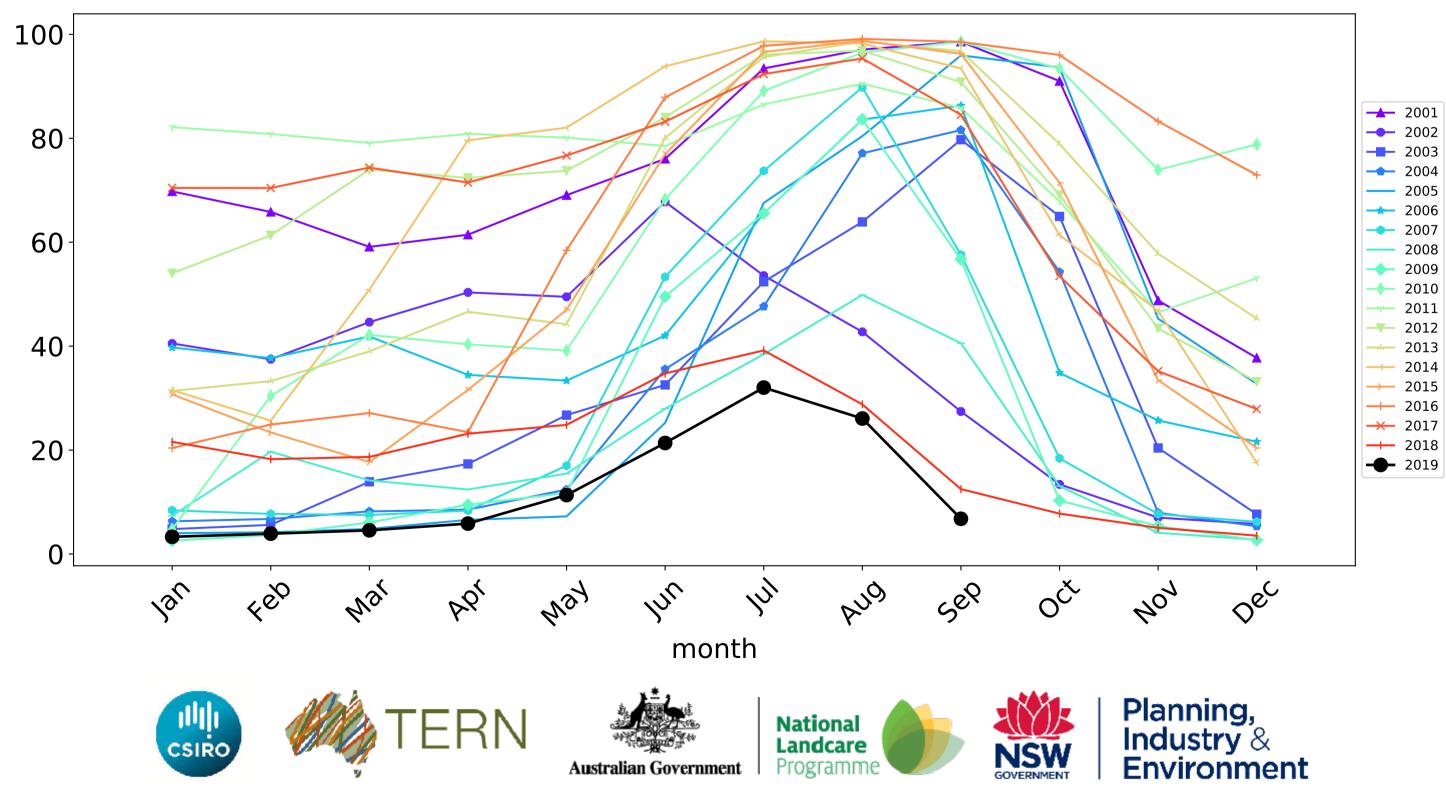


Agriculture timeseries



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

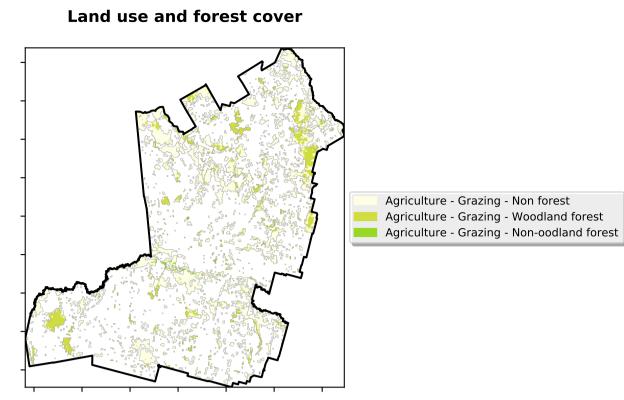




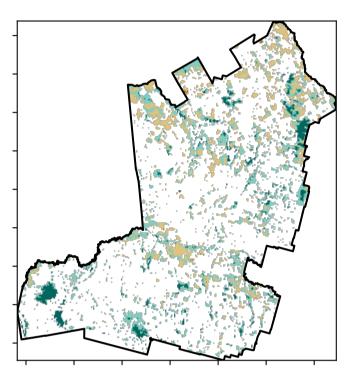
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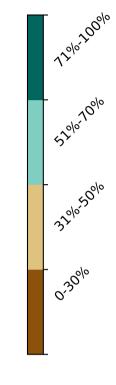
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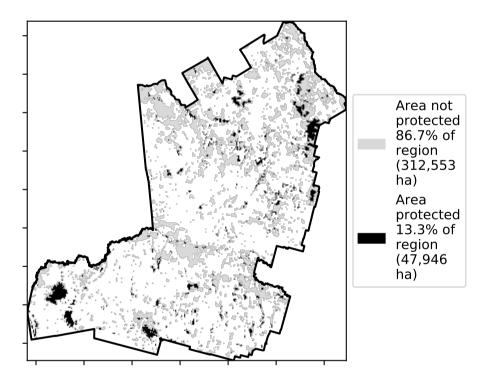


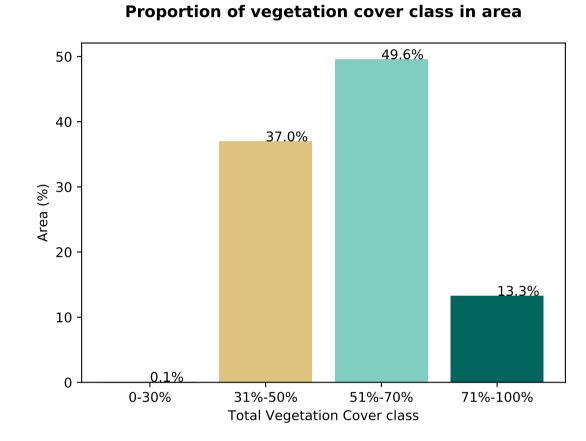
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



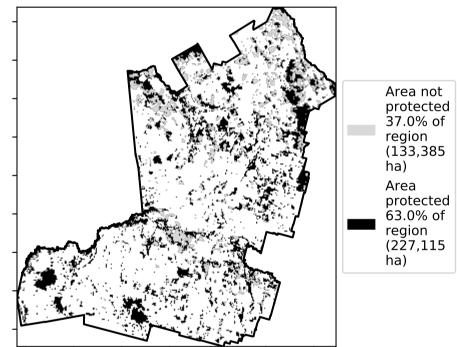


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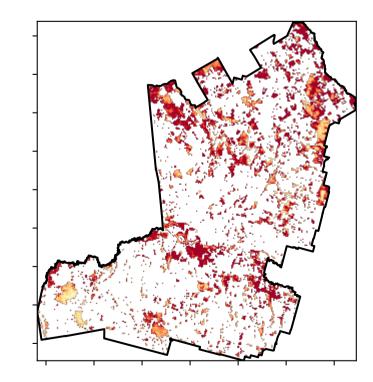


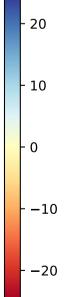


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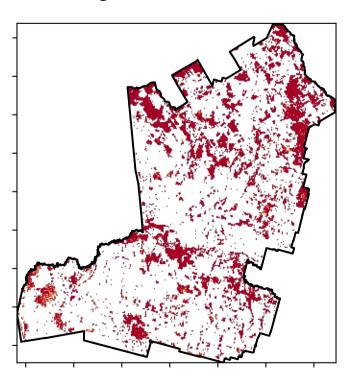


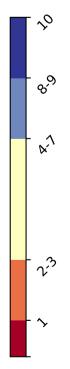
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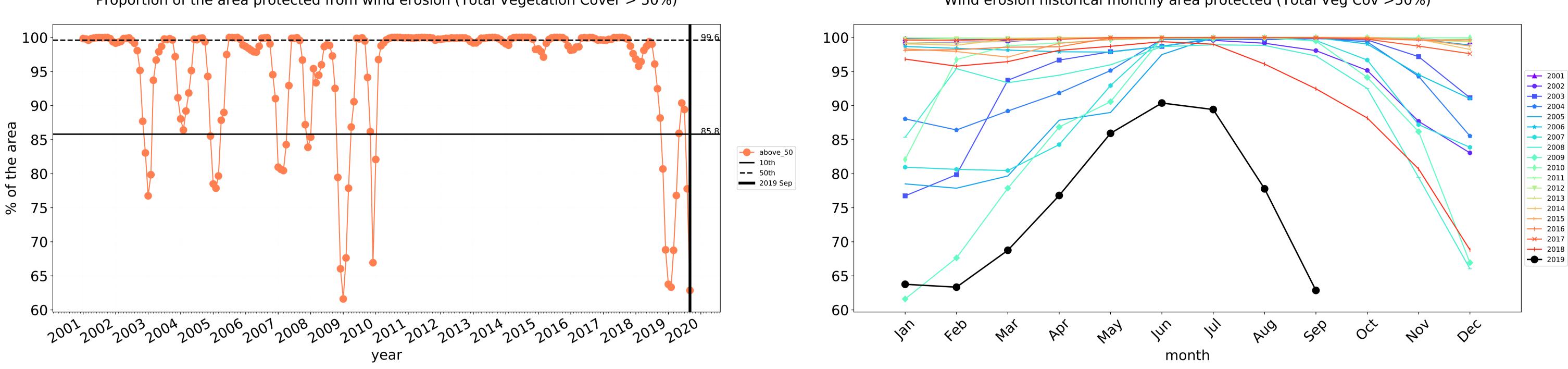


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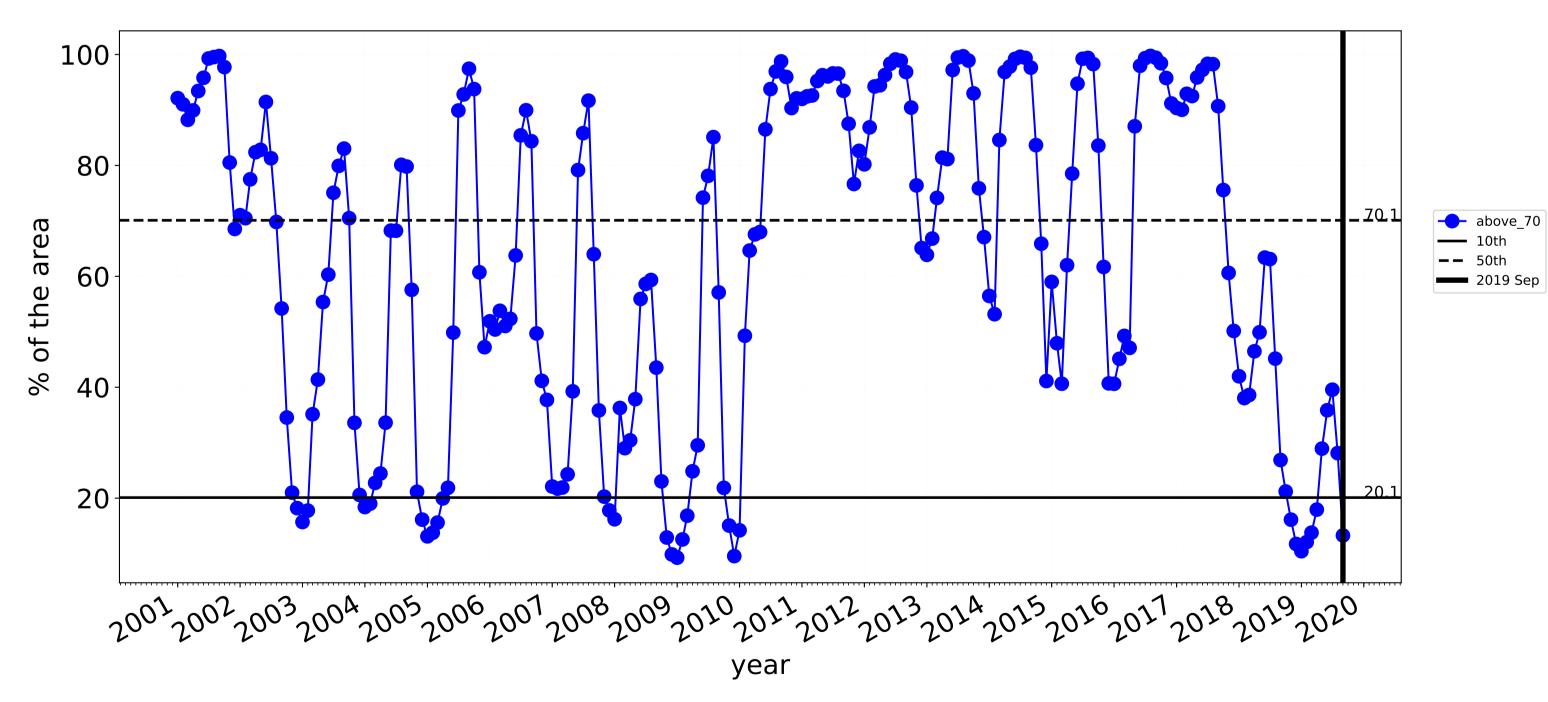
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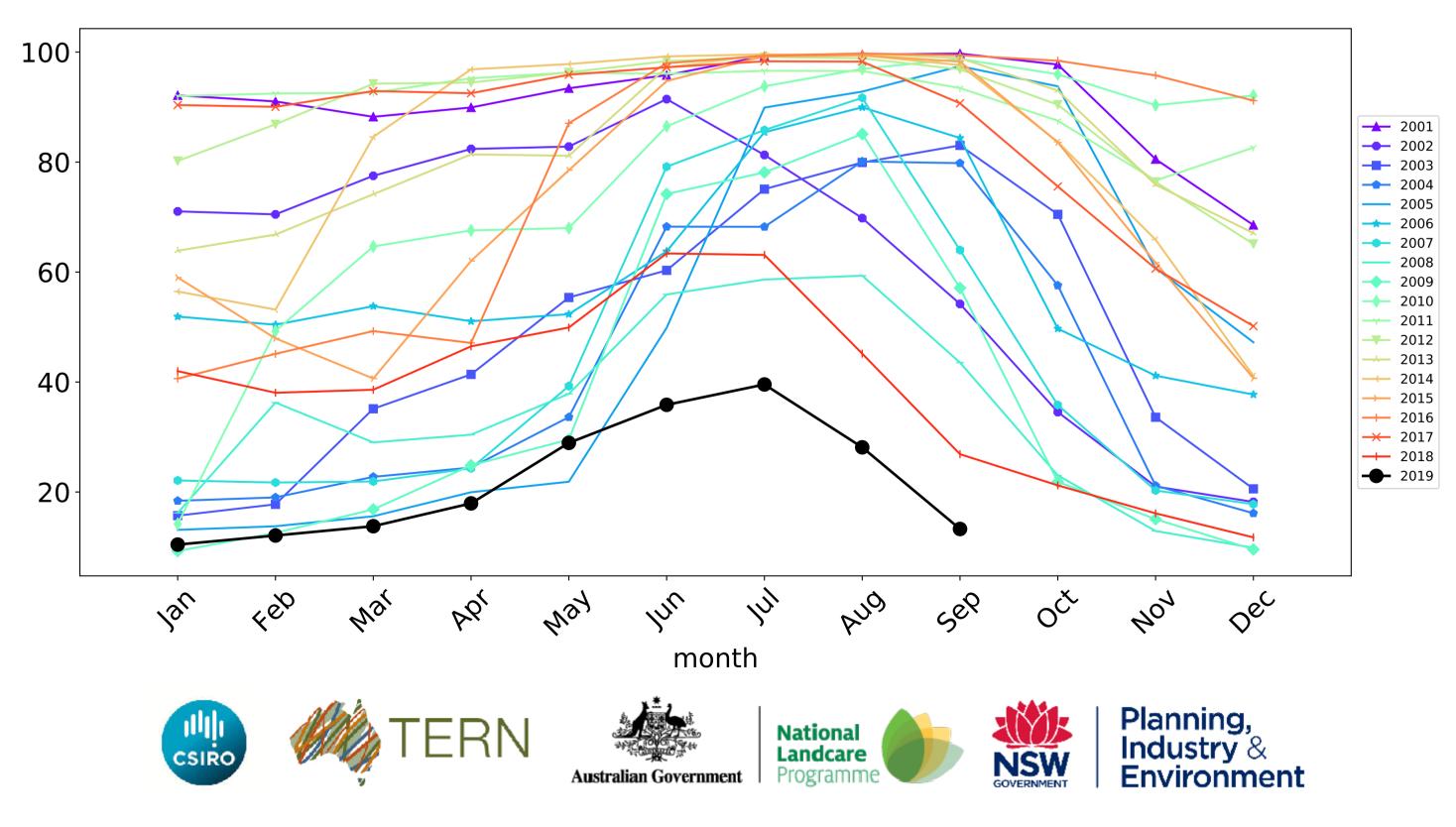
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



Grazing timeseries

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



Grazing non forest

Land use and forest cover



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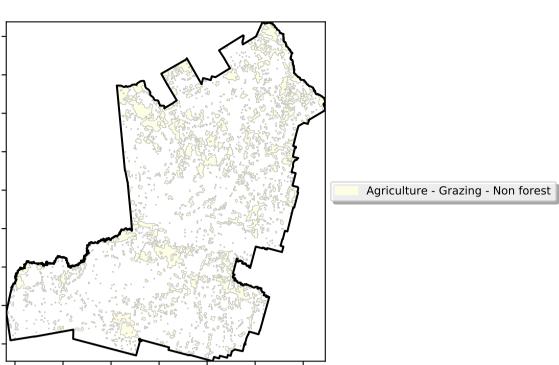
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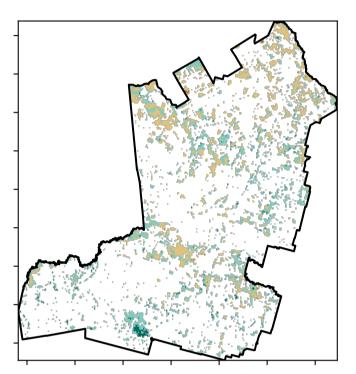
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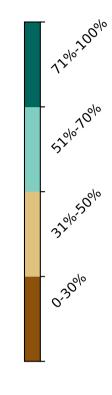
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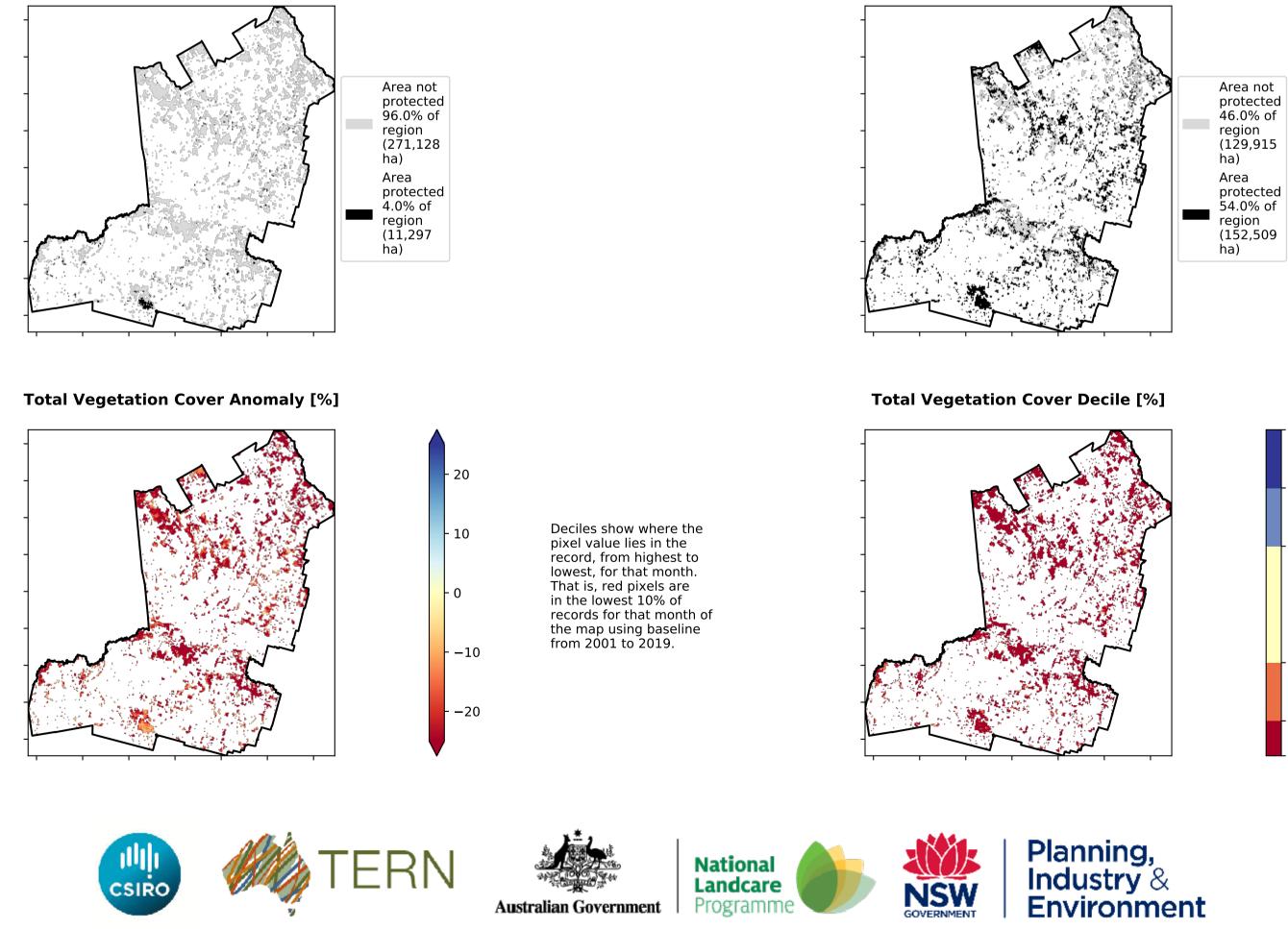


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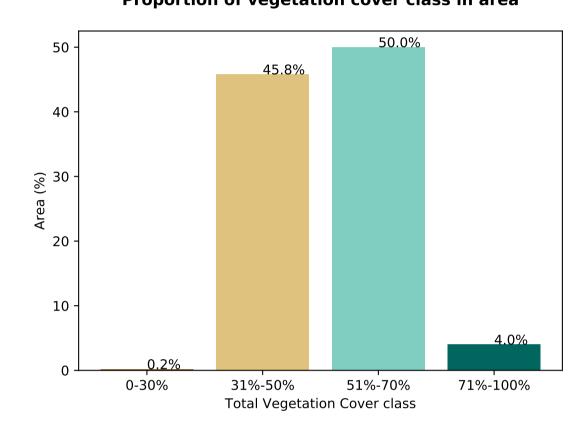




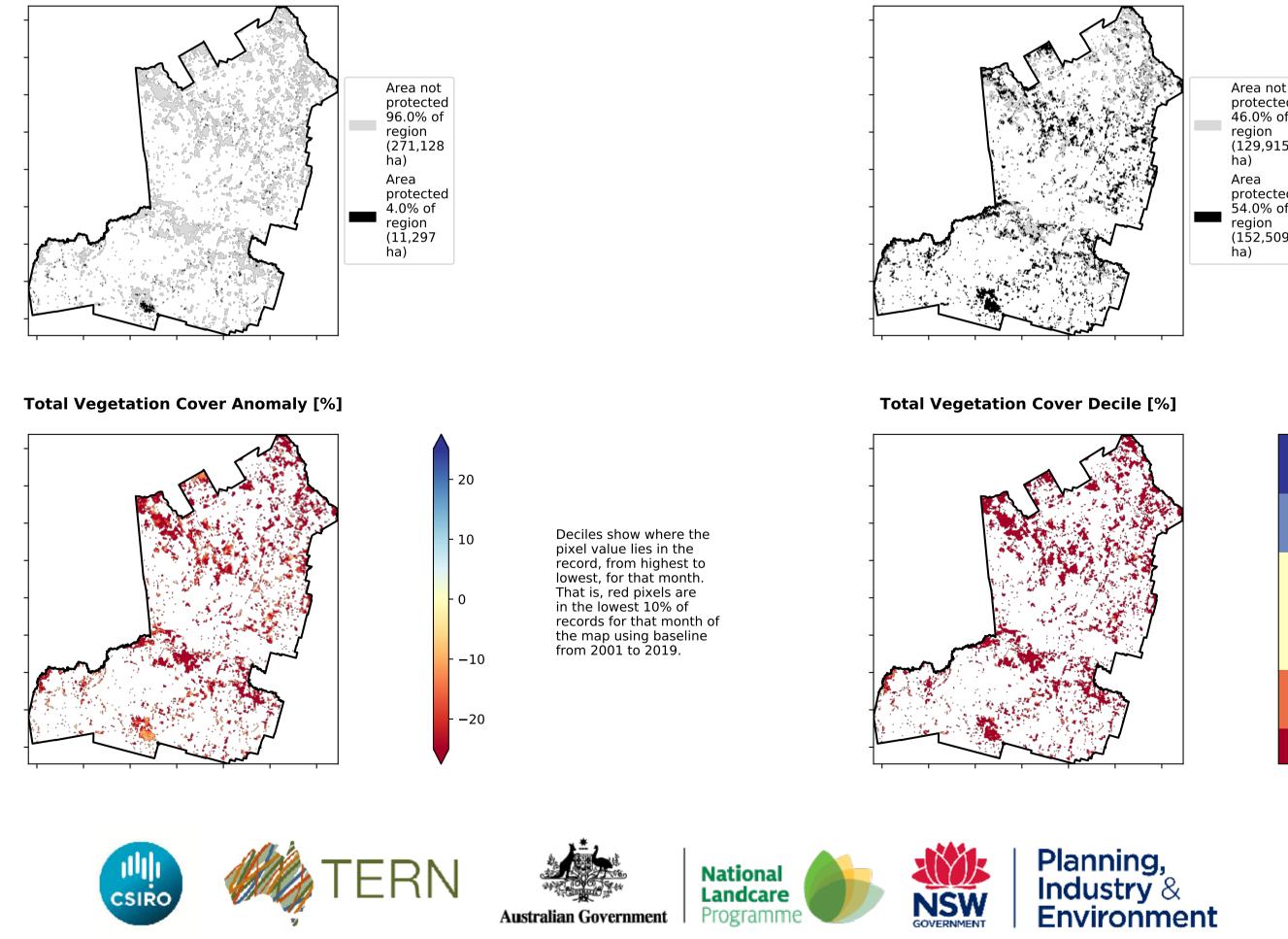
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

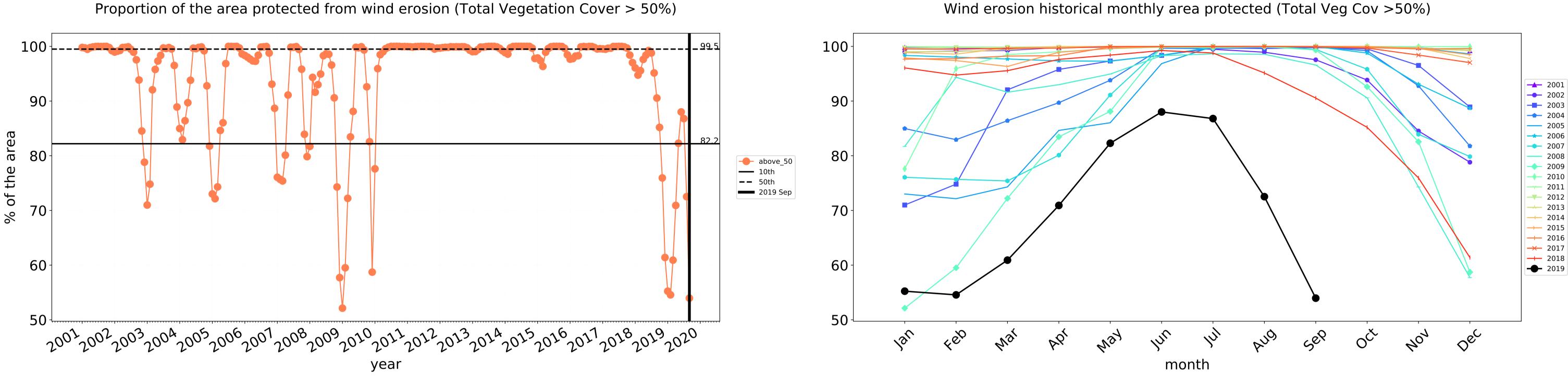


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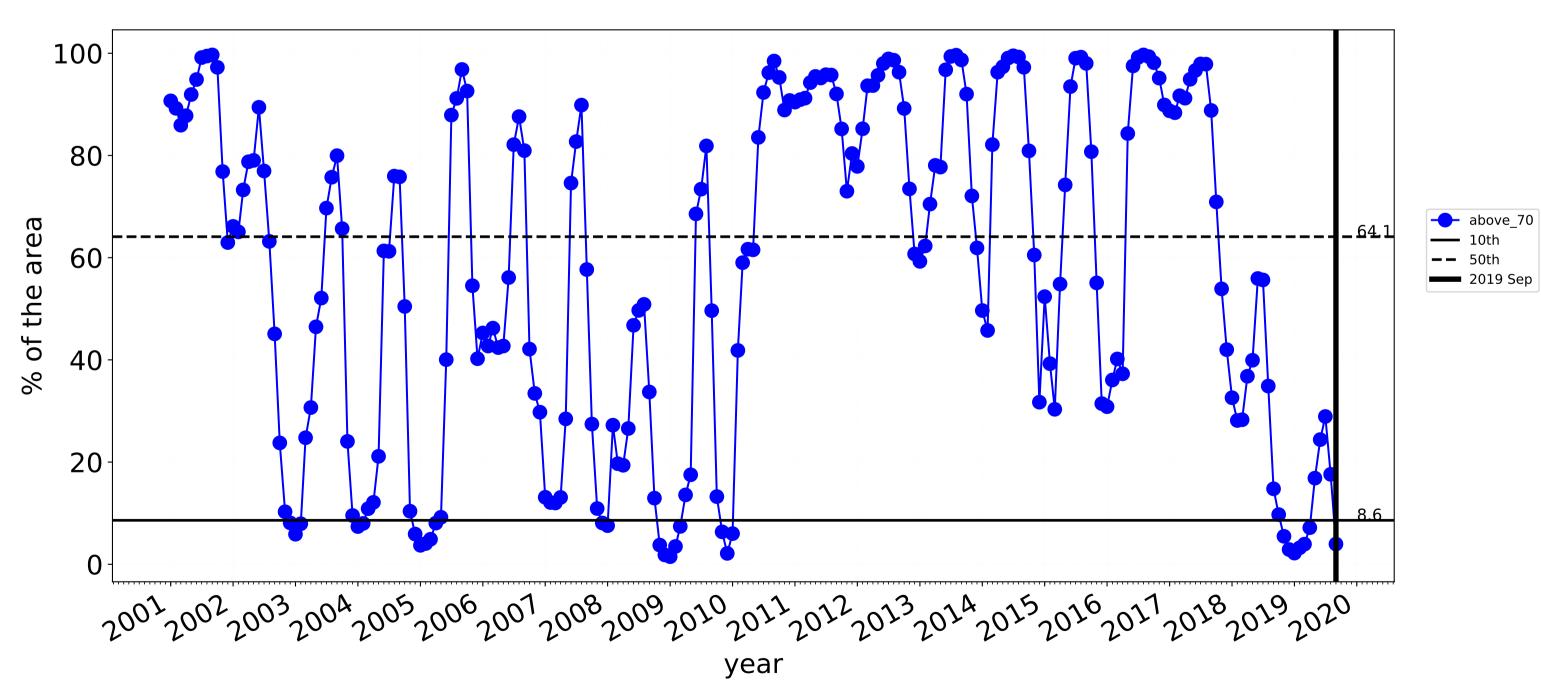
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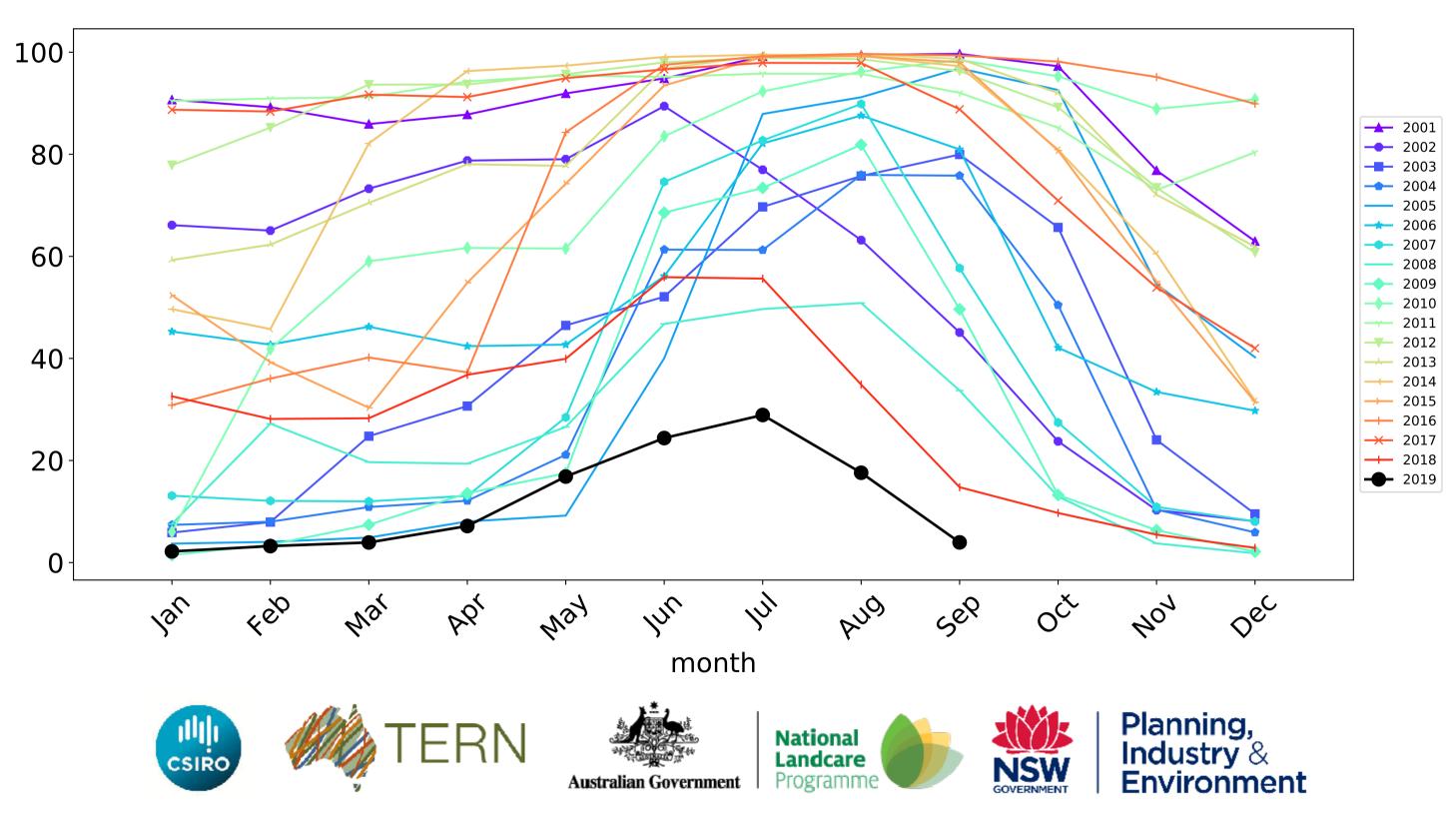
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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

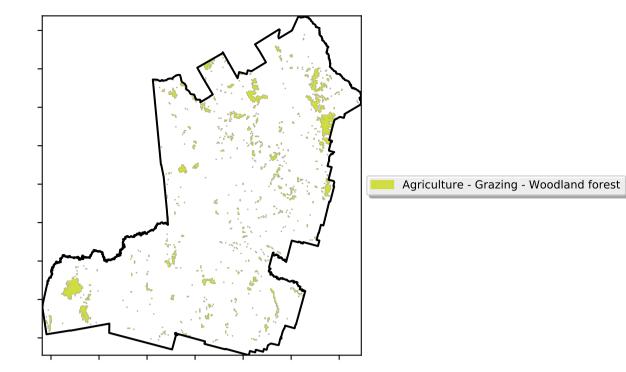


Grazing non forest timeseries

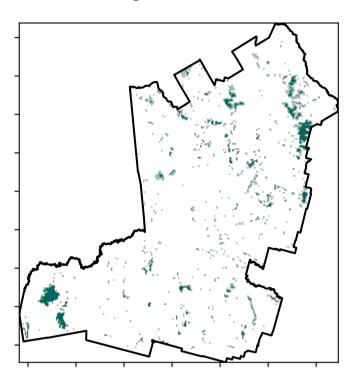


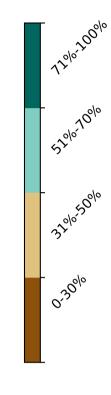
Grazing Woodland forest

Land use and forest cover

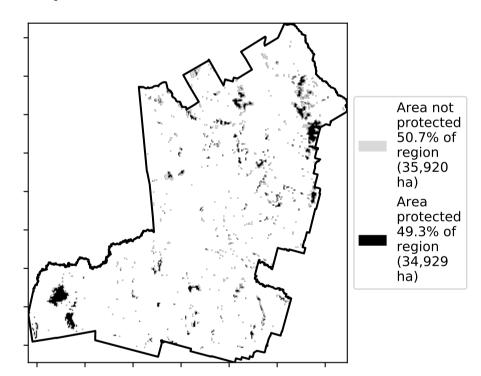


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

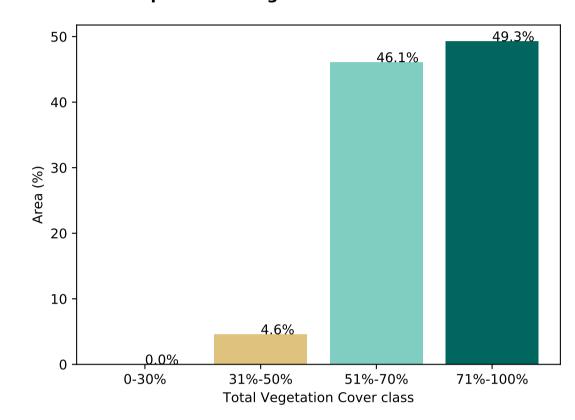




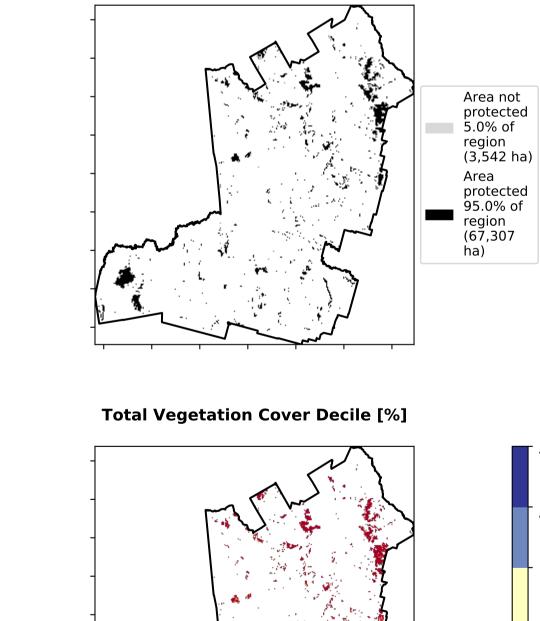
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Landuse map of area based on 2015 catchment scale landuse and Australia's National Forest Inventory, where no forest is < 20% tree cover, sparse is 20 to 50% and dense > 50% tree cover.

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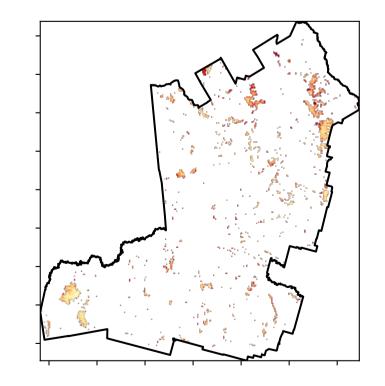
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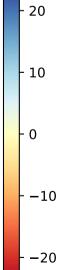
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]







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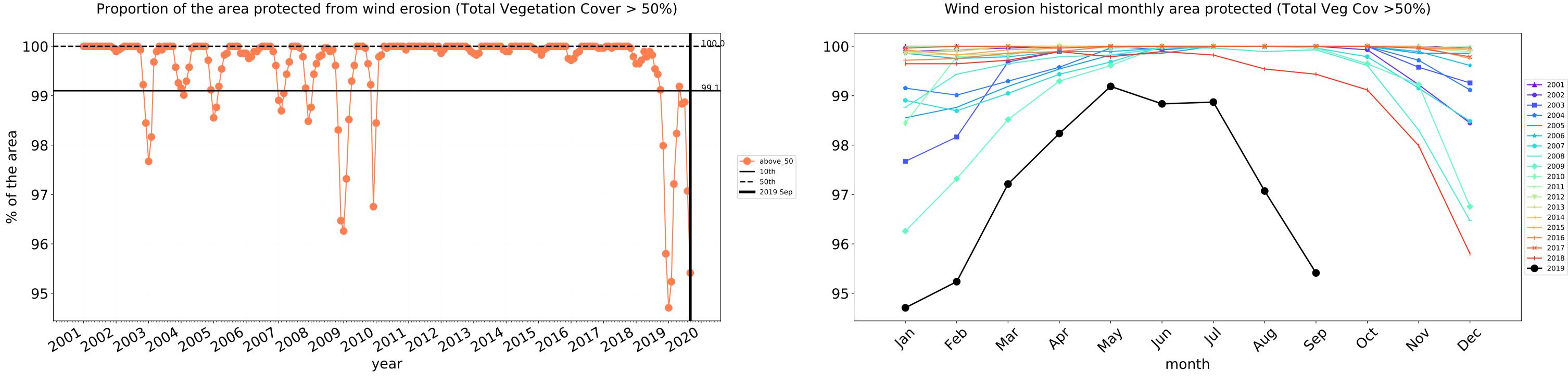
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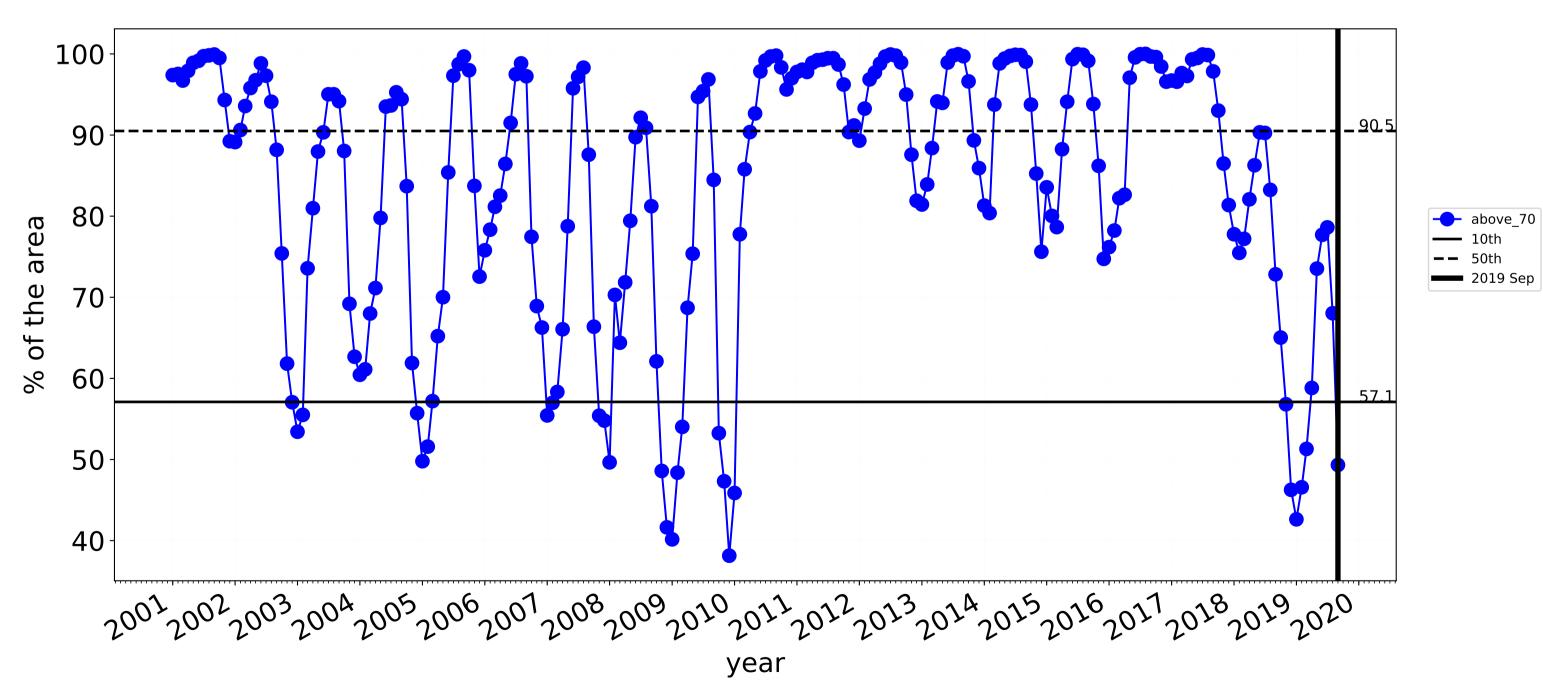
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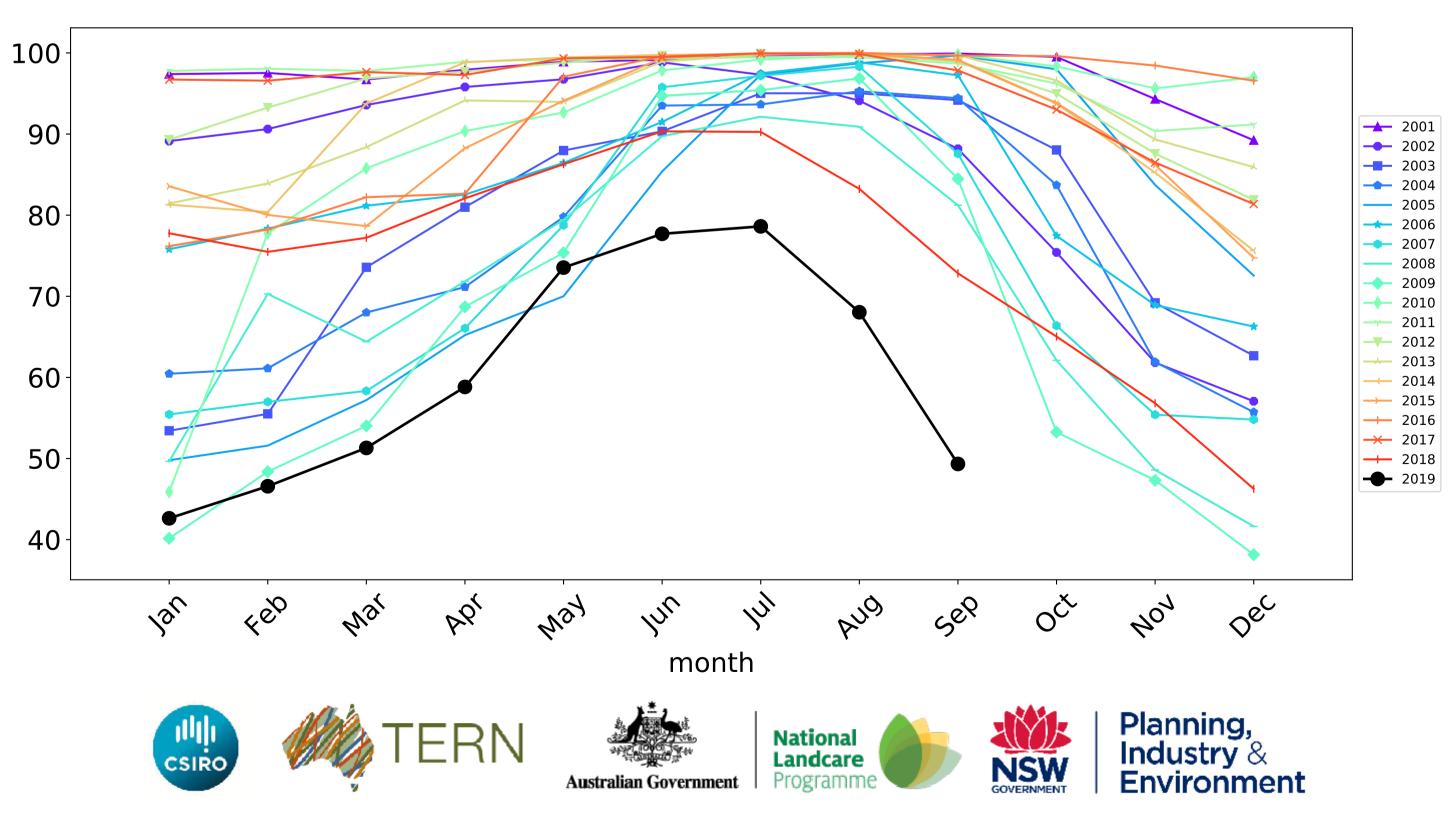
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Grazing Woodland forest timeseries





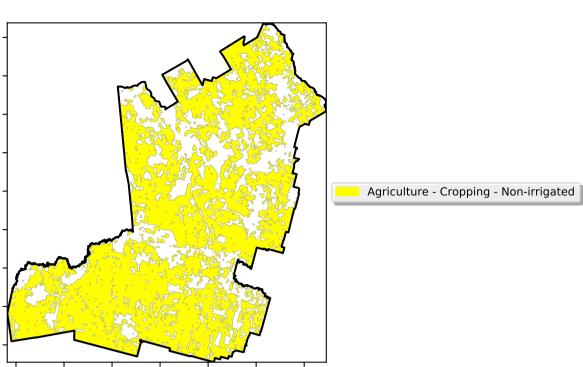




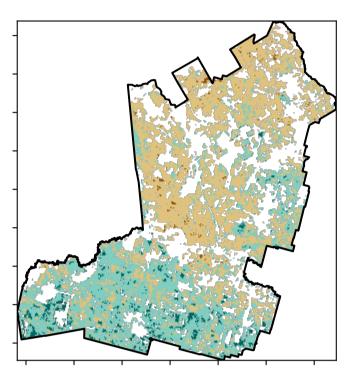
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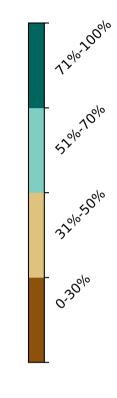
Land use and forest cover



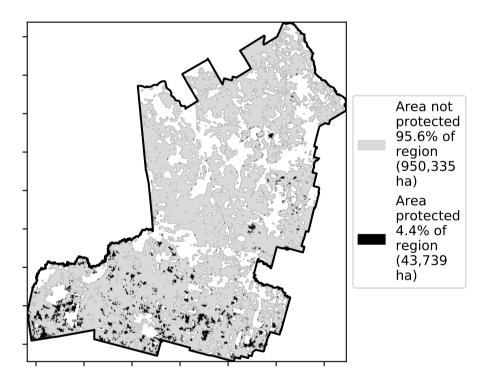


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

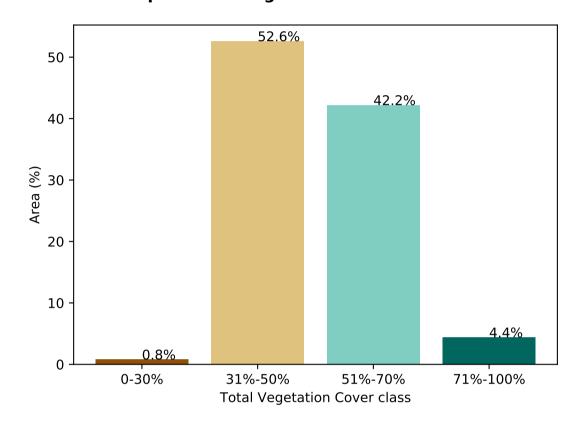




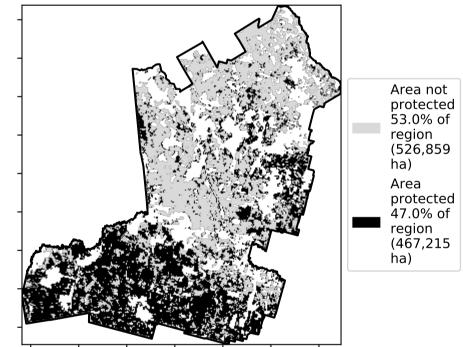
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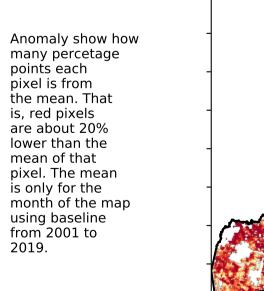
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

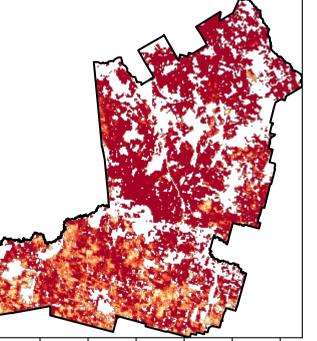


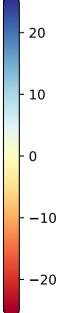
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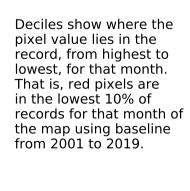


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

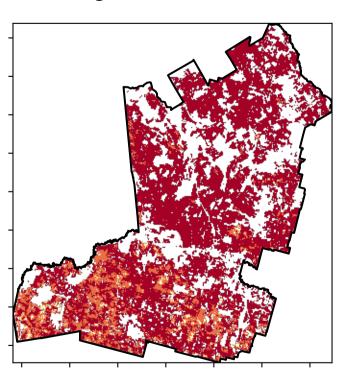


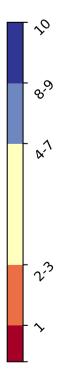




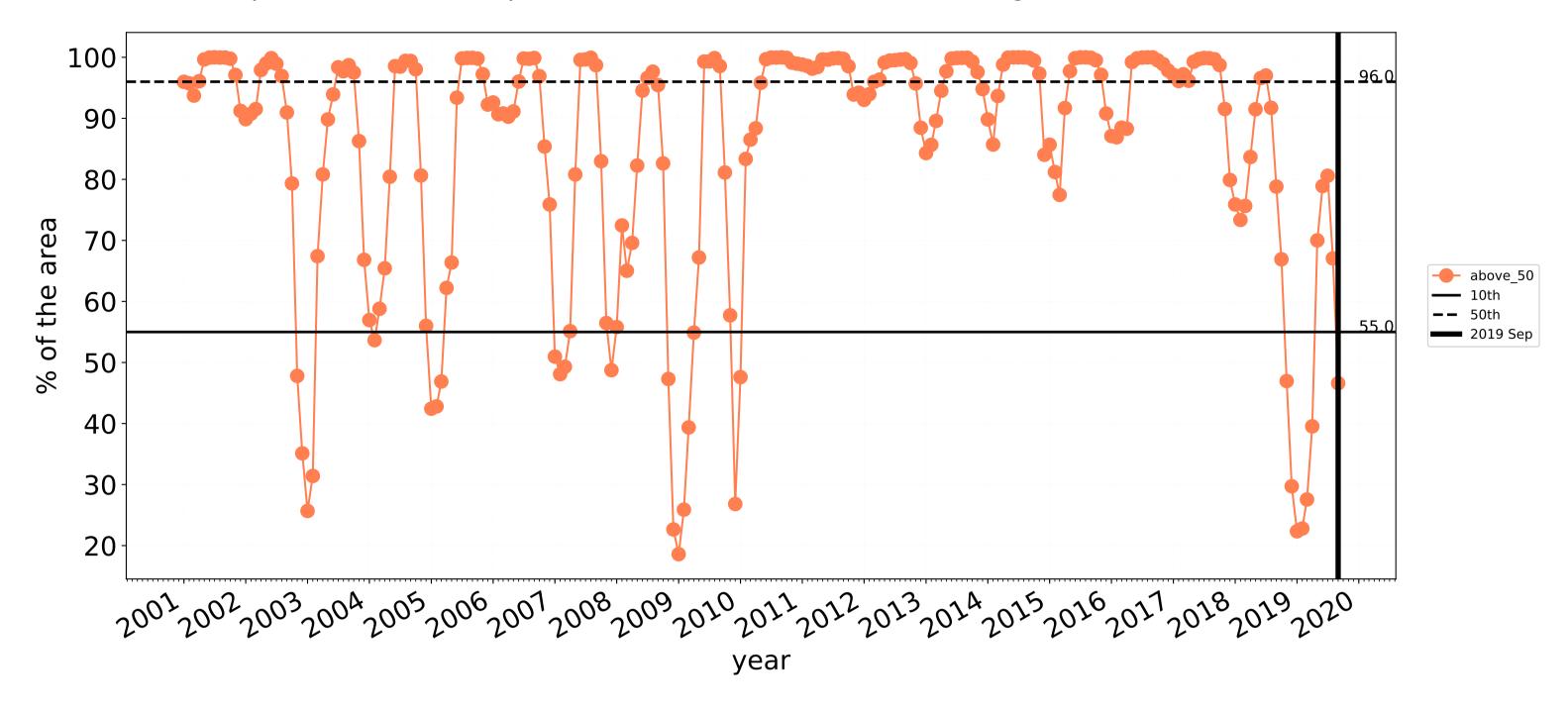


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



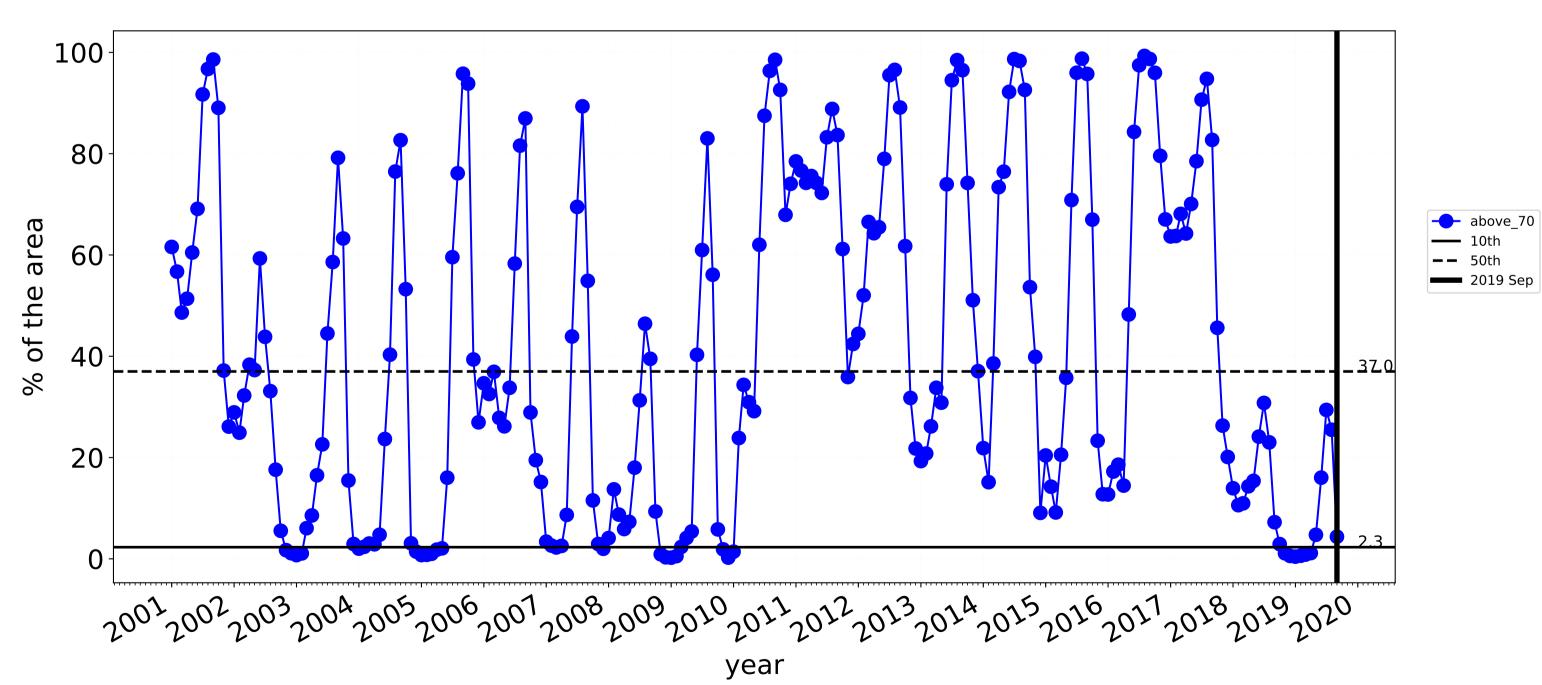






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

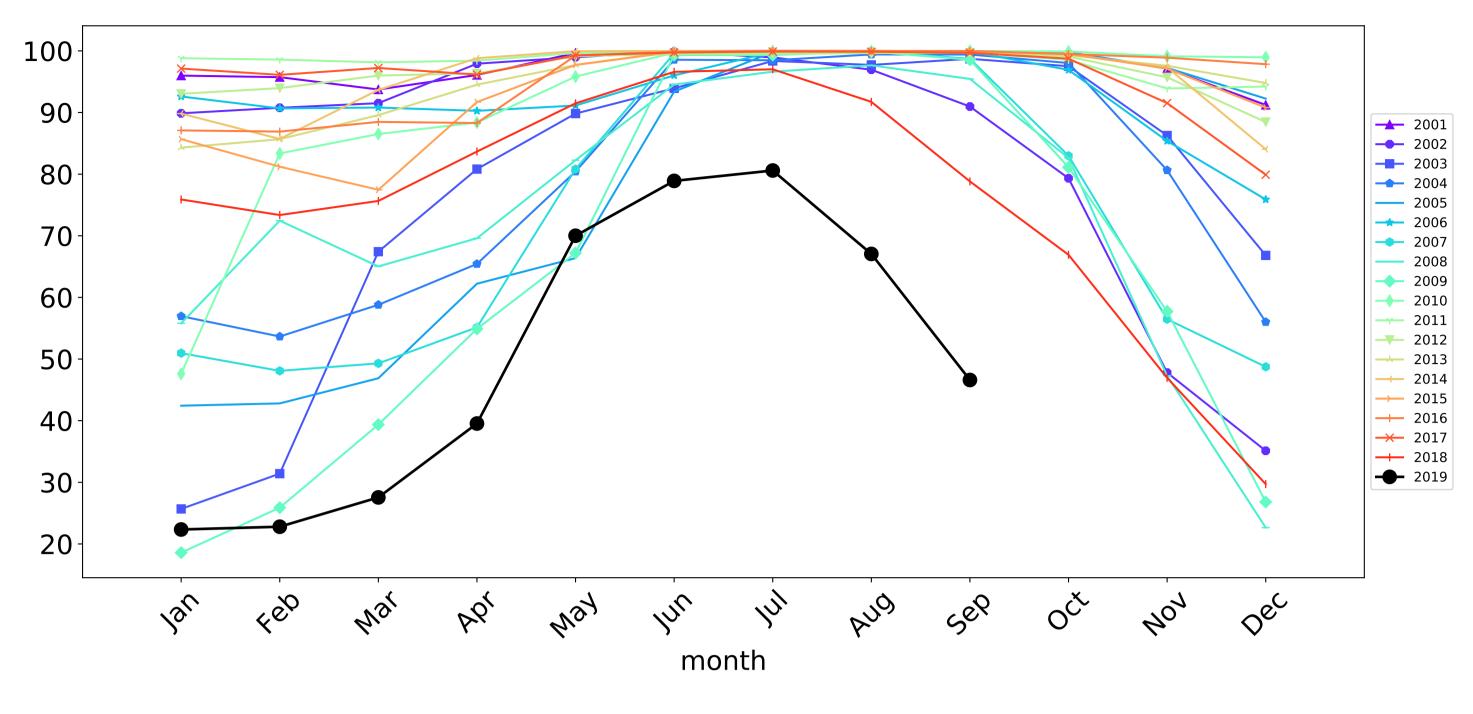
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

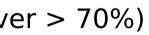


Cropping timeseries

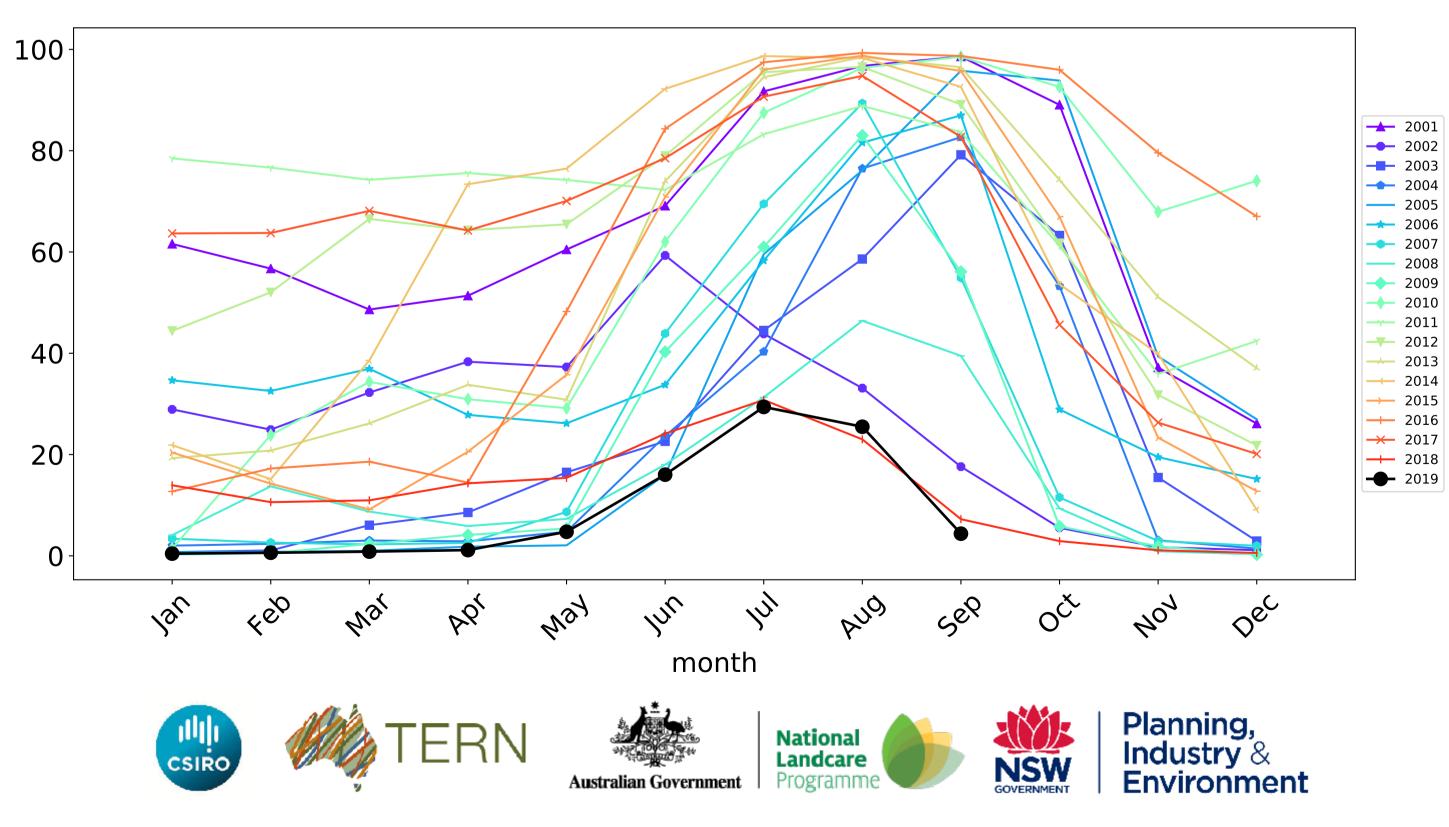


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)





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



Irrigation

Land use and forest cover

Landuse map of area based on 2015 catchment scale

Australia's National Forest Inventory,

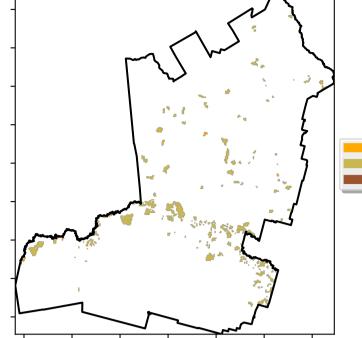
where no forest is <

sparse is 20 to 50% and dense > 50% tree

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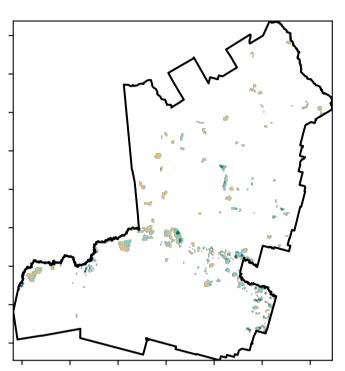
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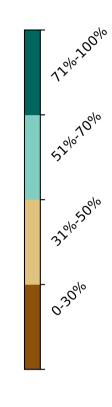
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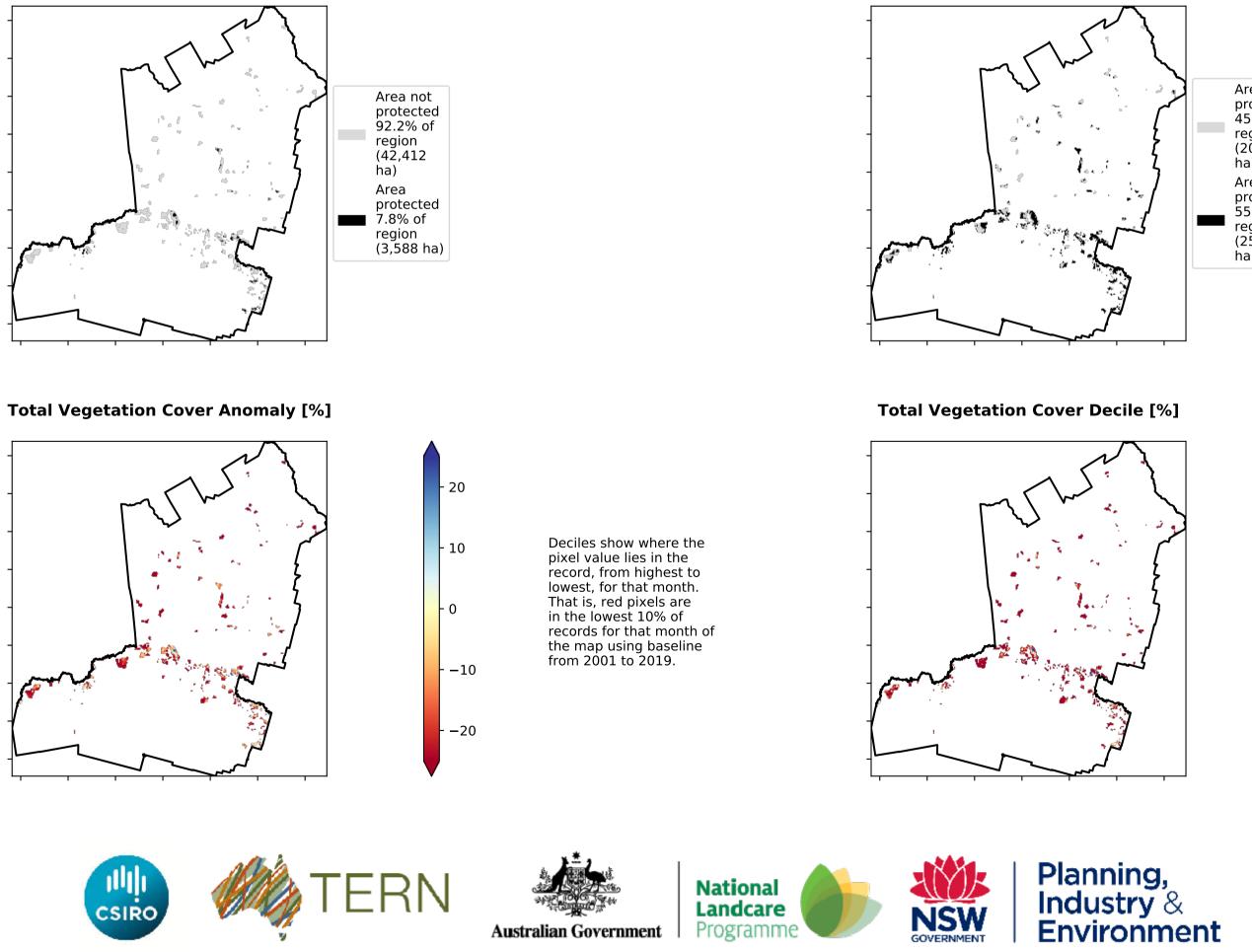
Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated

Total Vegetation Cover [%]

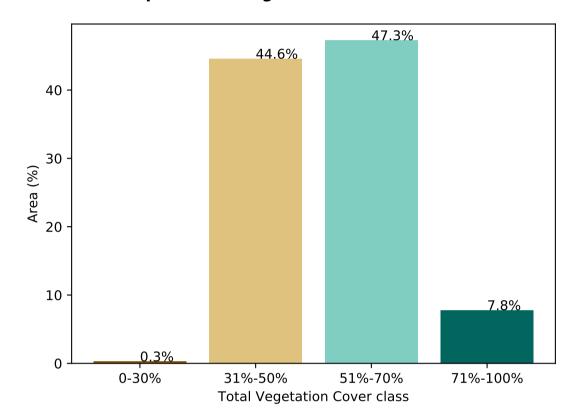




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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



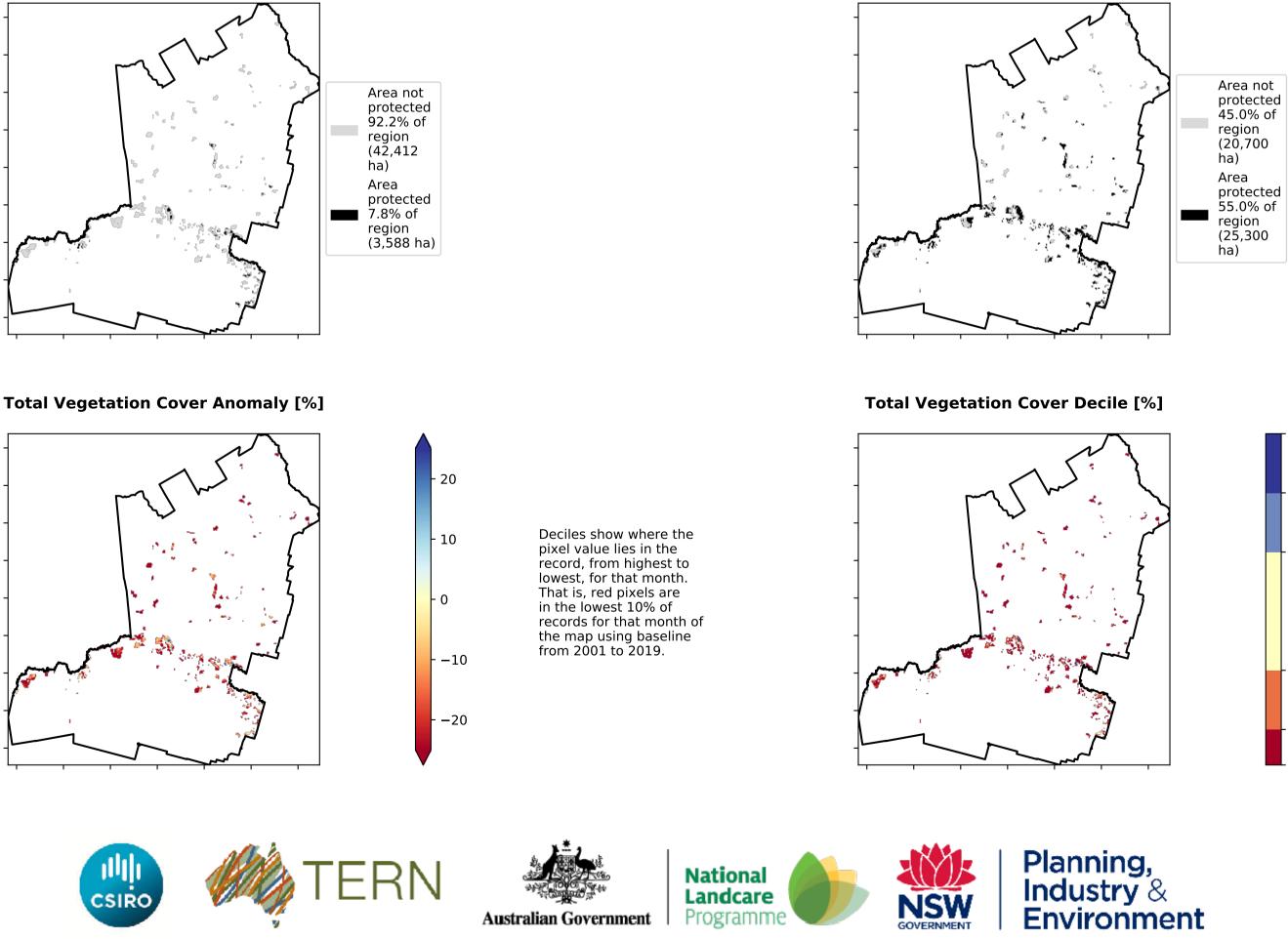
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

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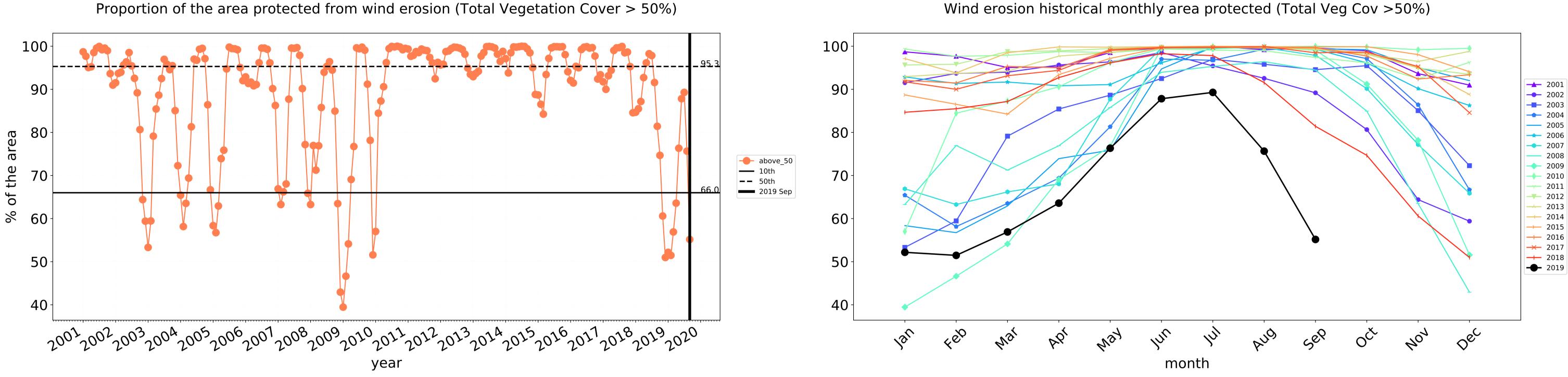
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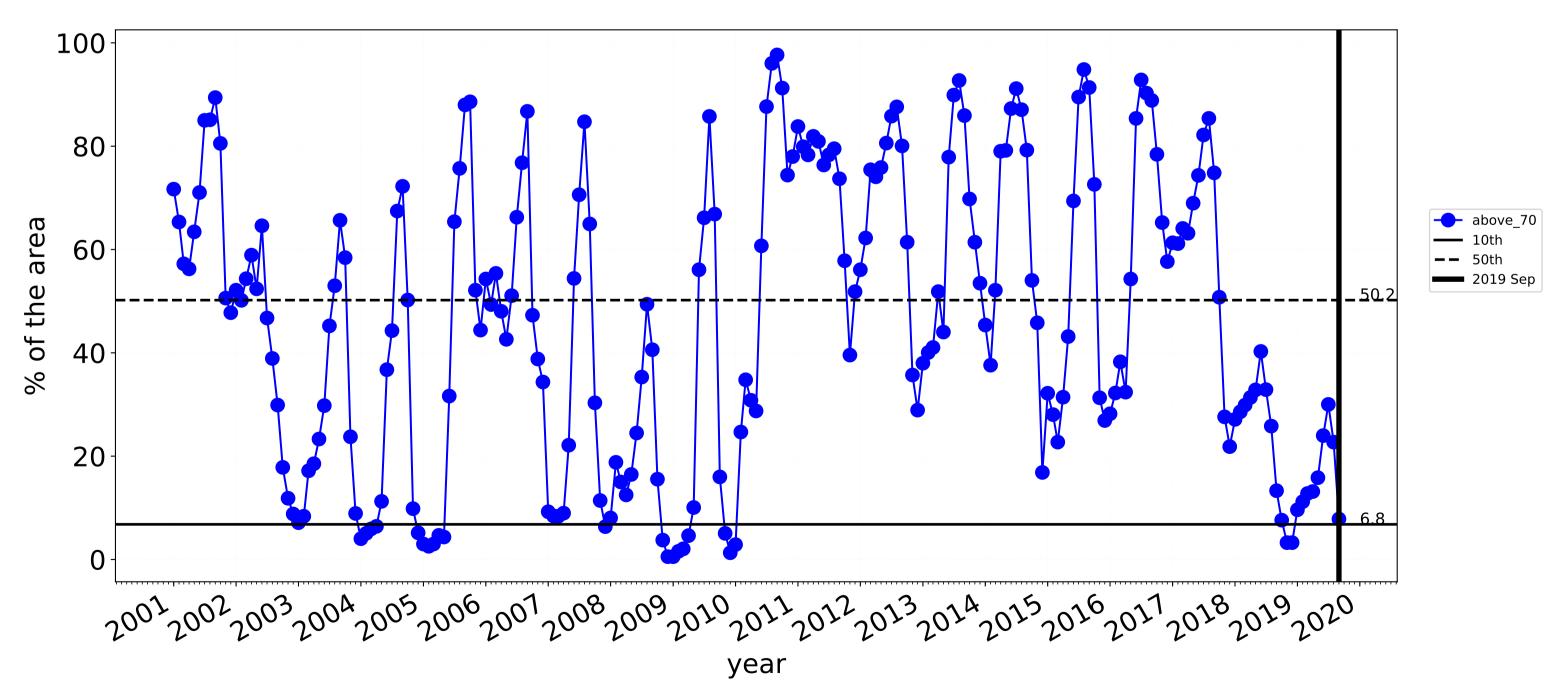
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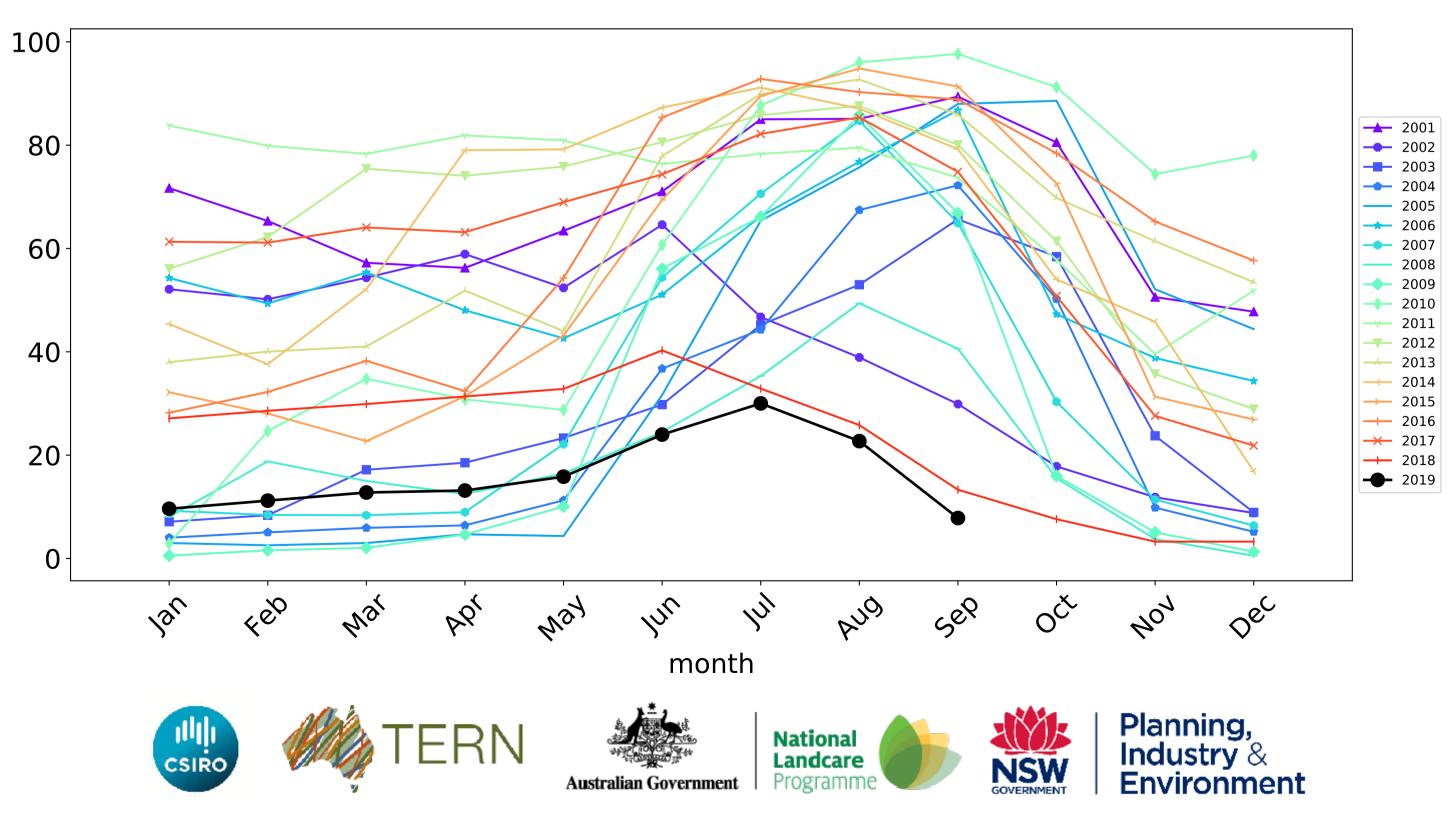
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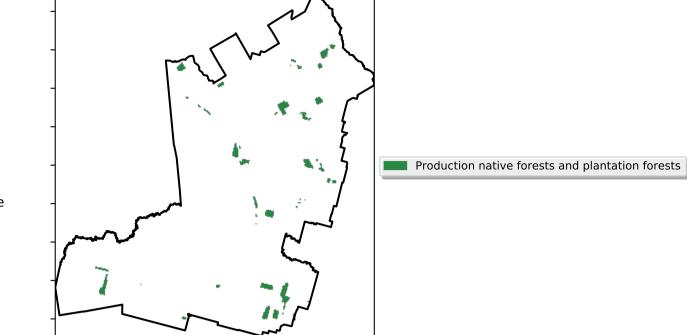


Irrigation timeseries

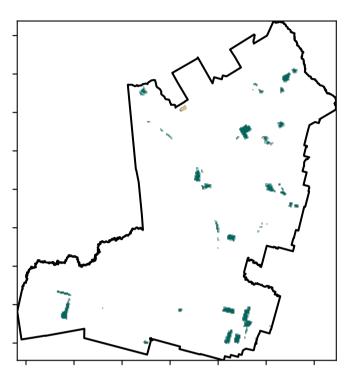


Production native forests and plantation forests

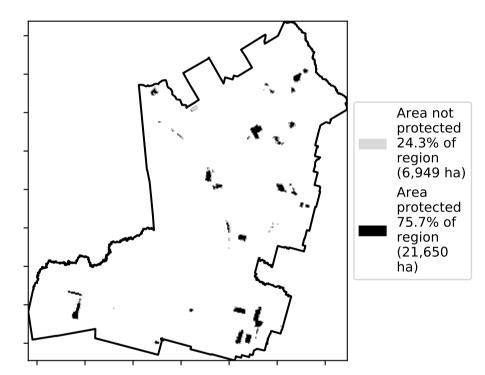
Land use and forest cover



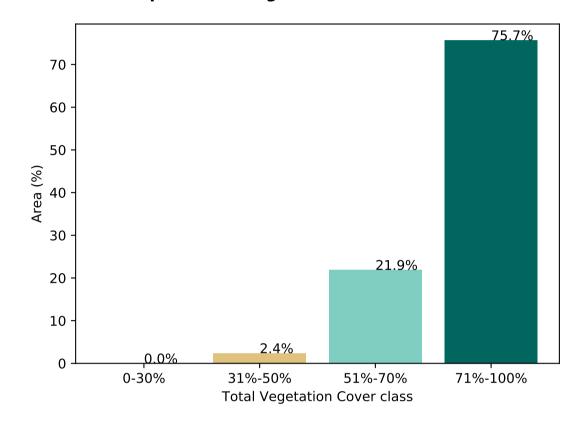
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



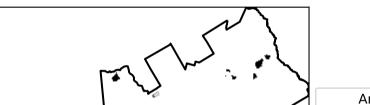




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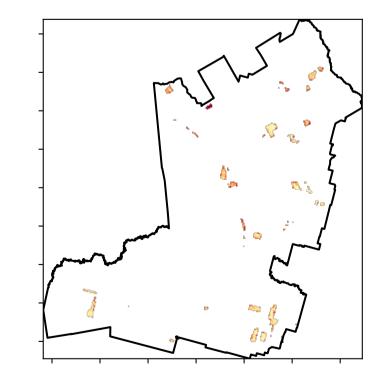
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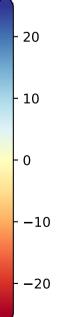
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



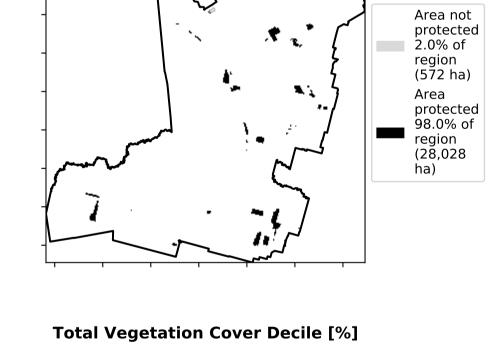


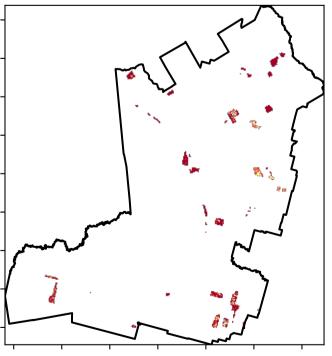
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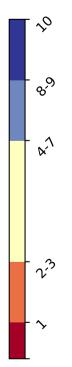
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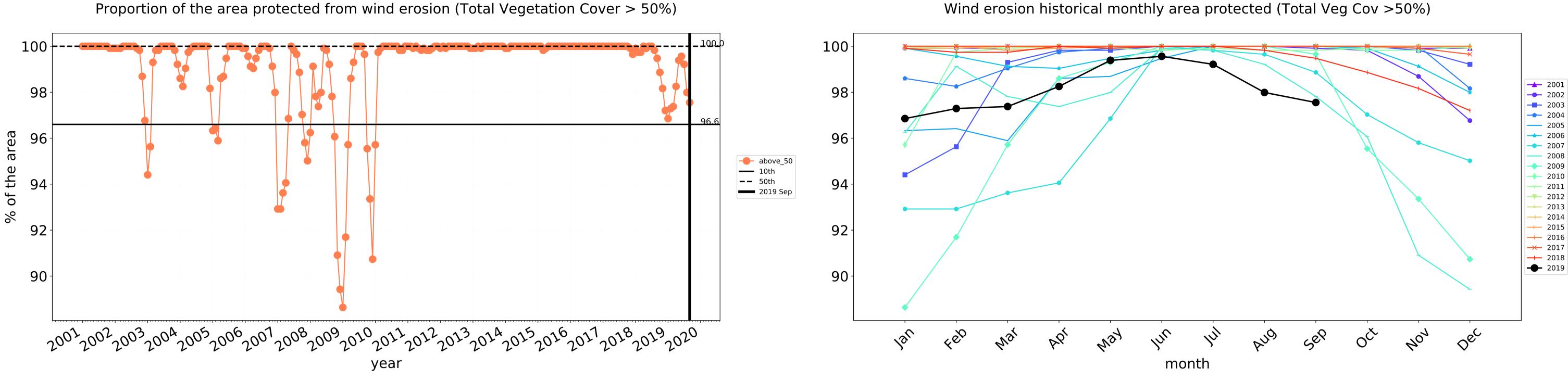
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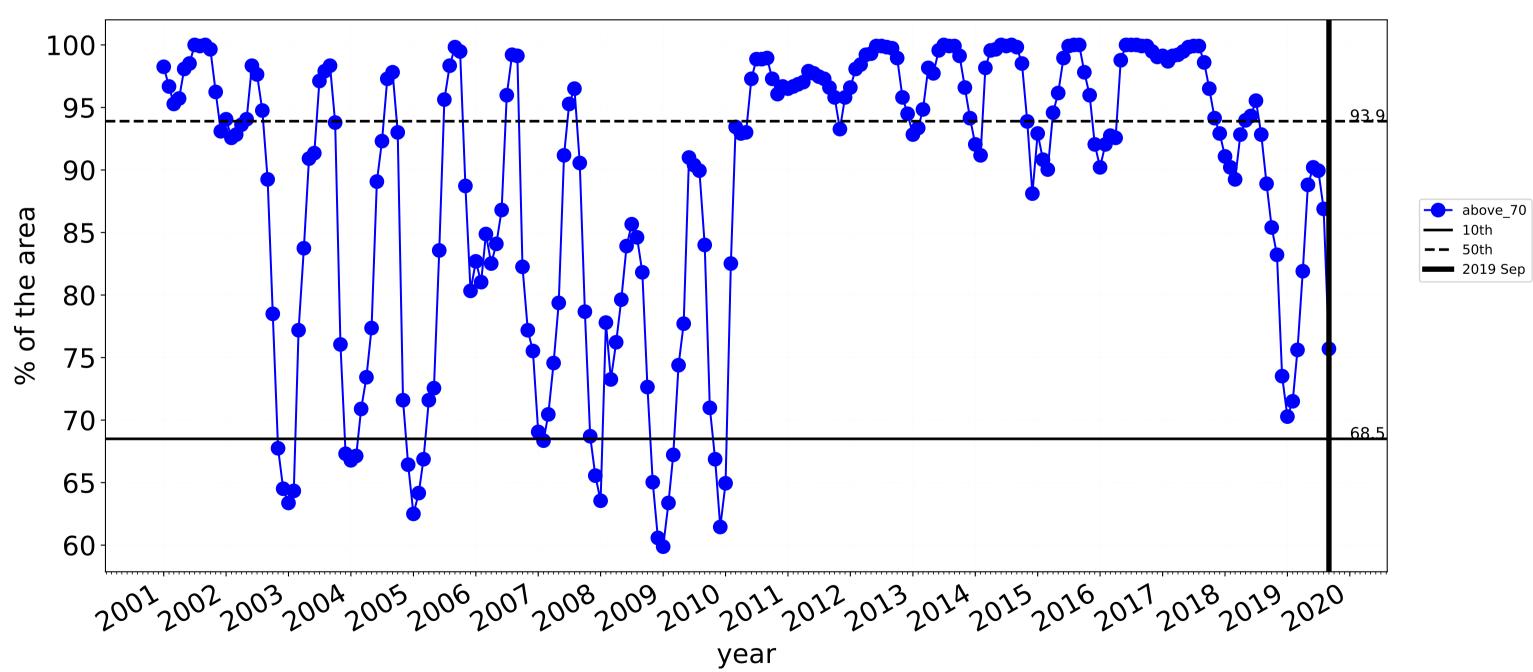
the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019.

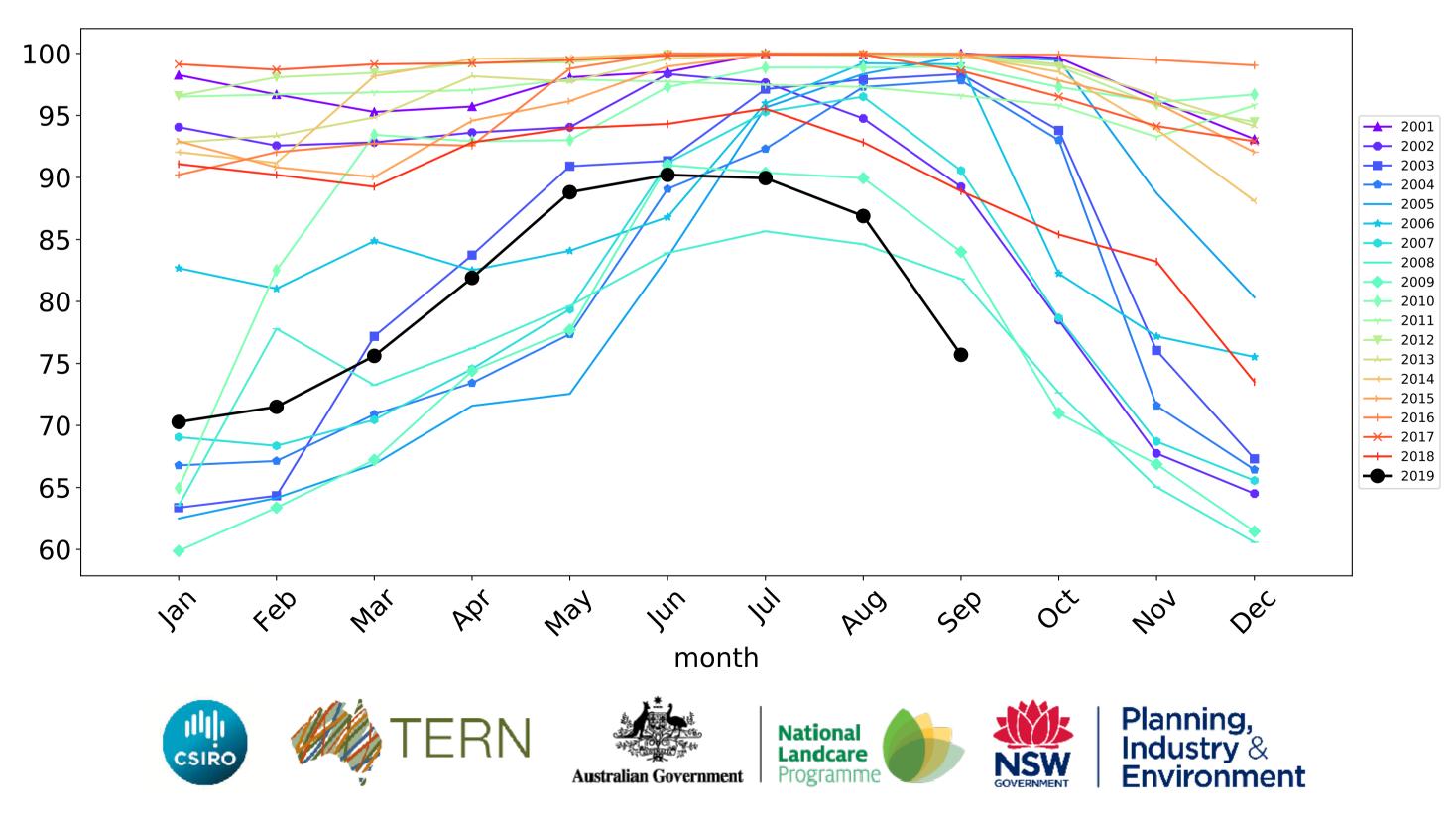
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)







Lachlan_(A) (1,495,700 ha and no data 847 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	1,495,700	99.4% 1,487,125	53.9% 806,625	10.3% 154,200	2.7% 39,725	0.1% 1,875	0.0% 200
Conservation and natural environments	59,828	100.0% 59,828	97.4% 58,302	61.7% 36,942	20.4% 12,205	1.0% 625	0.1% 75
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	40,383	100.0% 40,383	99.0% 39,962	65.1% 26,270	24.6% 9,953	1.5% 619	0.2% 74
Agriculture	1,398,479	99.4% 1,390,017	51.1% 714,179	6.8% 94,758	1.1% 15,651	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0\% \\ 424 \end{array}$	0.0% 49
Grazing	360,463	99.8% 359,863	62.9% 226,602	13.3% 47,845	3.3% 11,973	0.1% 199	0.0% 0
Grazing non forest	282,687	99.8% 282,086	54.0% 152,541	4.0% 11,185	0.1% 300	0.0% 0	0.0% 0
Grazing Woodland forest	70,297	100.0% 70,297	95.4% 67,073	49.3% 34,677	16.3% 11,435	0.3% 198	0.0% 0
Cropping	993,144	99.2% 985,377	46.6% 462,816	4.4% 43,409	0.3% 2,947	0.0% 24	0.0% 24
Irrigation	44,871	99.8% 44,773	55.2% 24,752	7.8% 3,511	1.6% 731	0.4% 195	0.1% 24
Production native forests and plantation forests	28,418	100.0% 28,418	97.6% 27,722	75.7% 21,512	40.2% 11,426	2.4% 695	0.0%





