## Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Coomalie\_(S) NT

## **Date: November 2023**

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:

- 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:

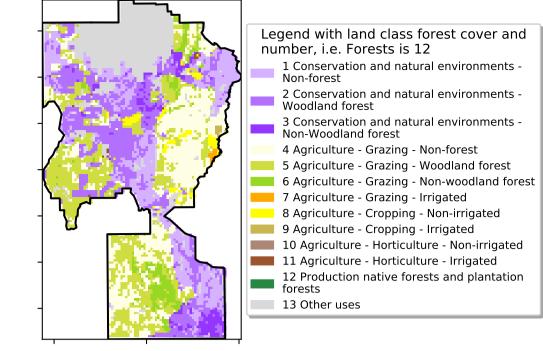
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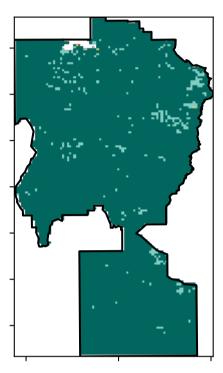
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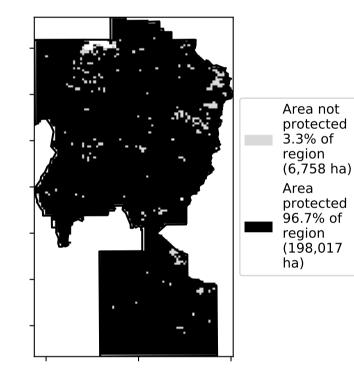
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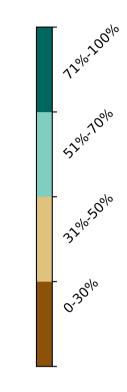


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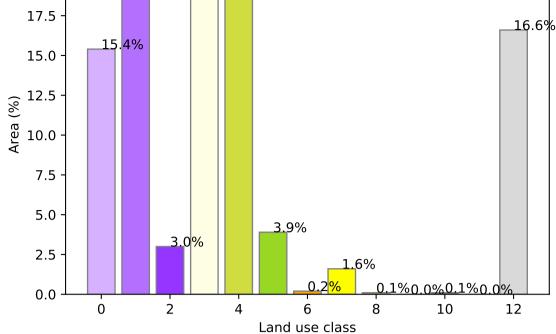
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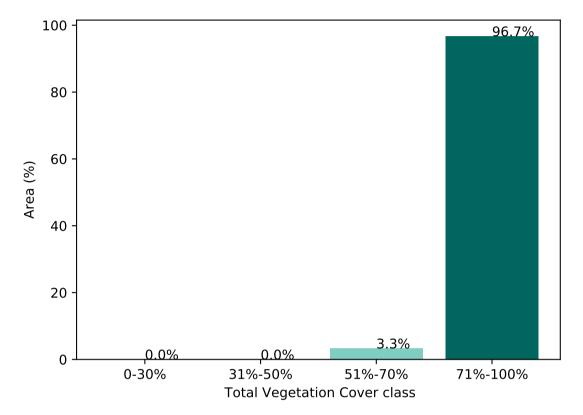


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Proportion of each land class in area



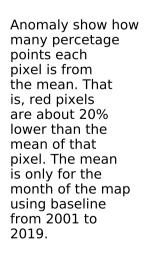
### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



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



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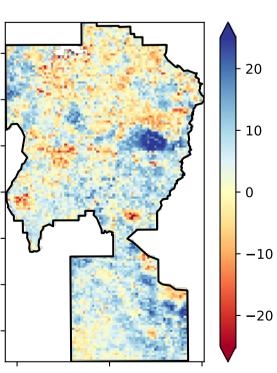
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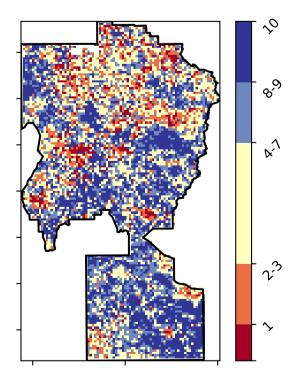
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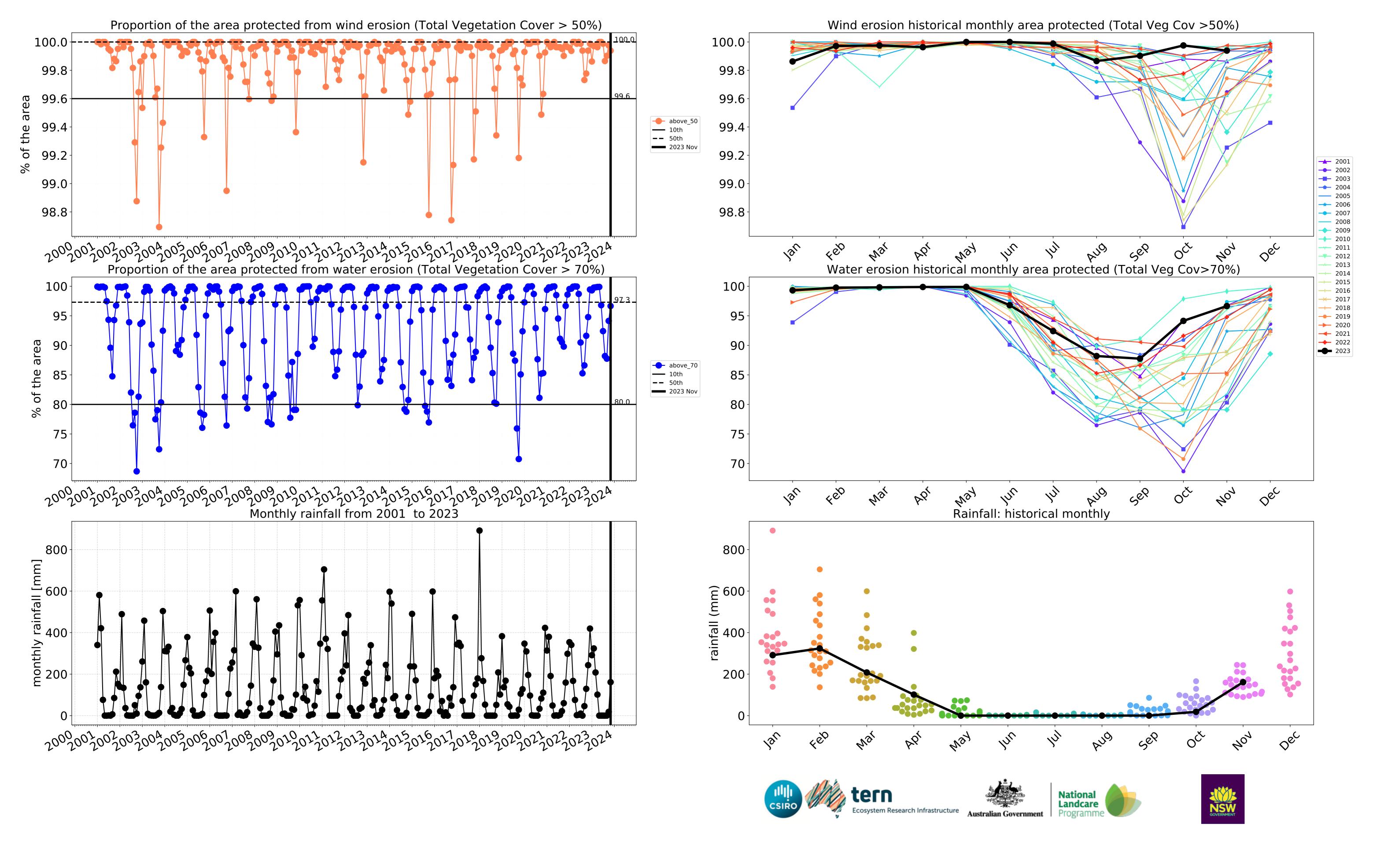


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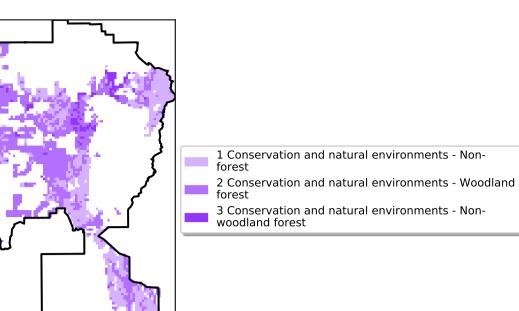




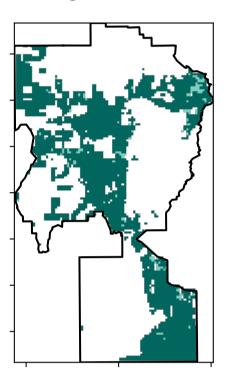
### **Conservation and natural environments**

#### Land use and forest cover

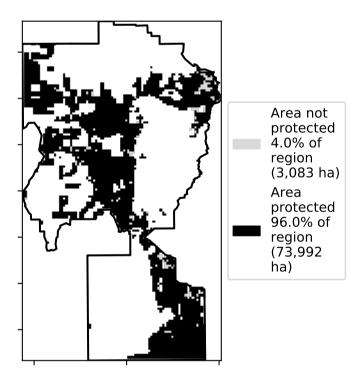


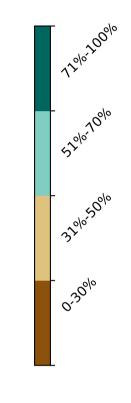


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

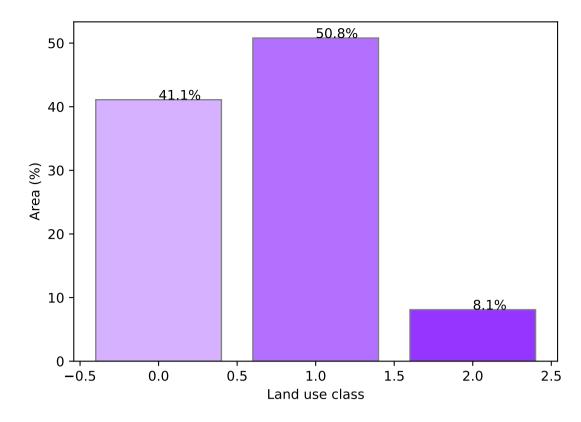




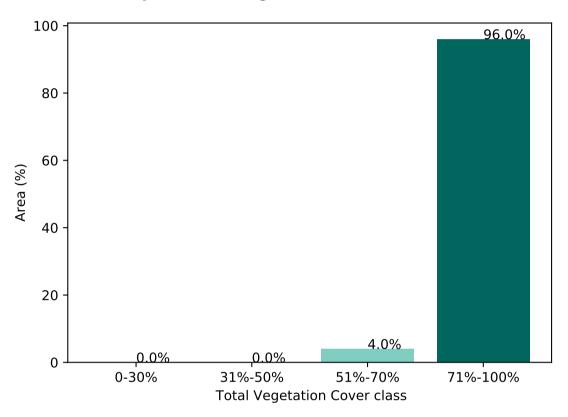




#### Proportion of each land class in area



#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

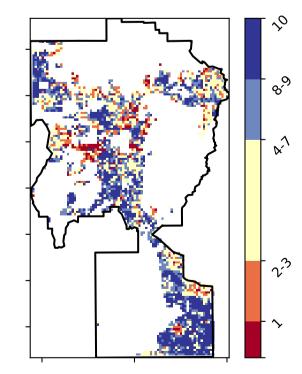


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



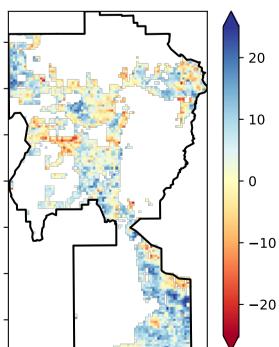
Area protected 100.0% of region (77,075 ha)

**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

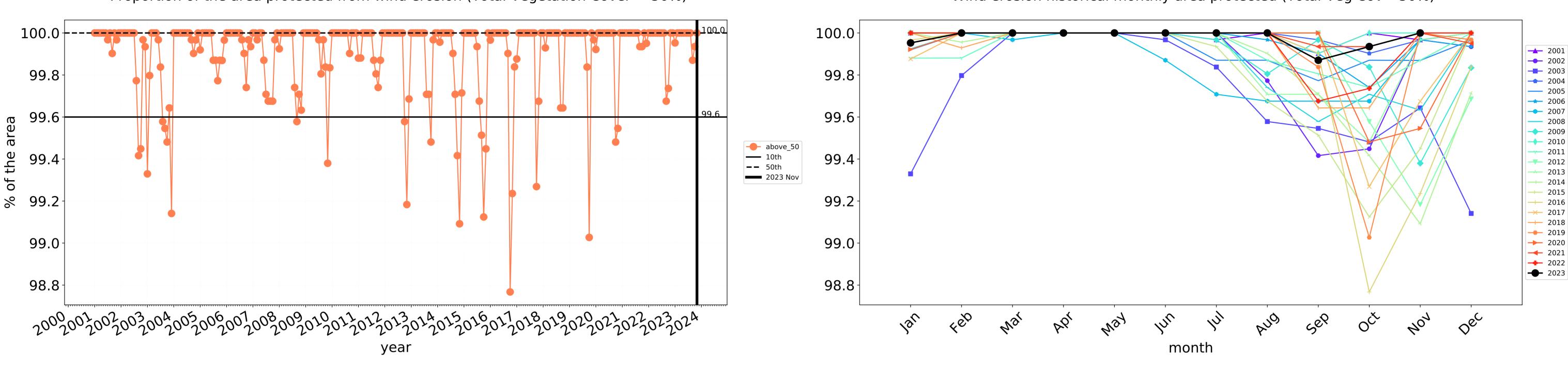
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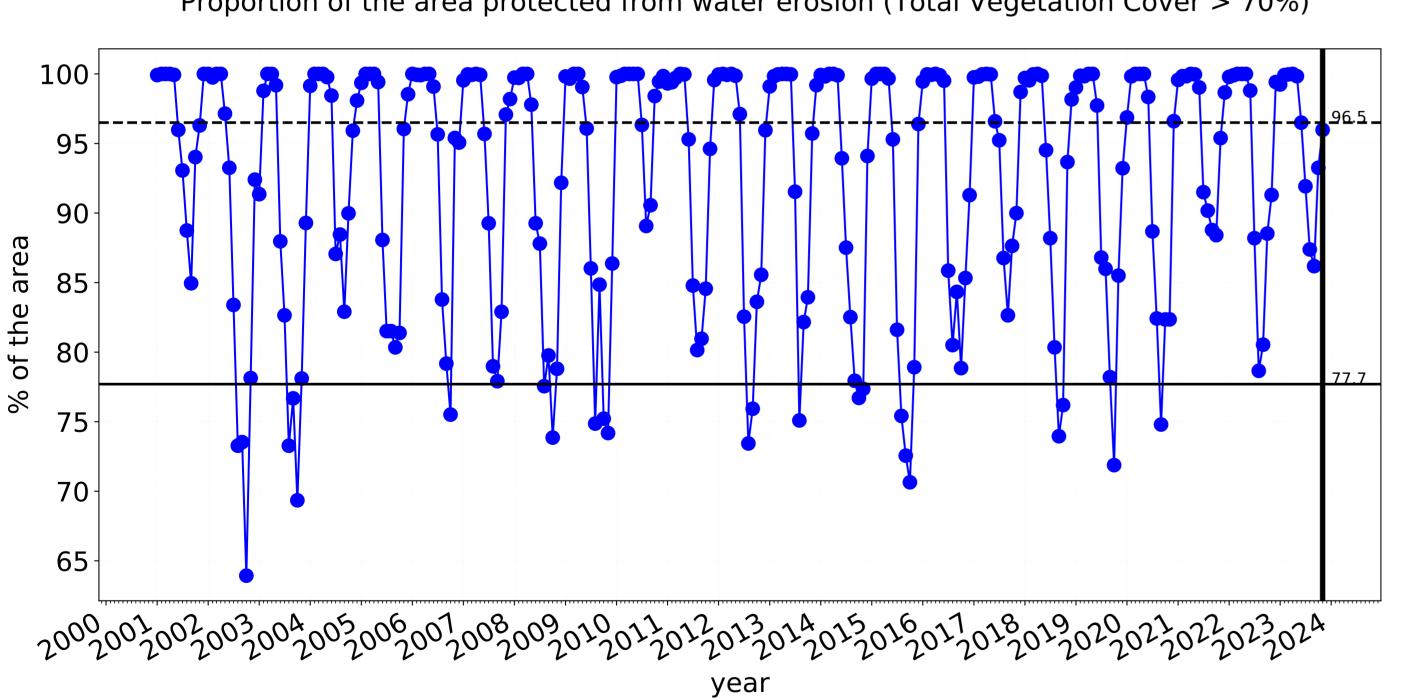
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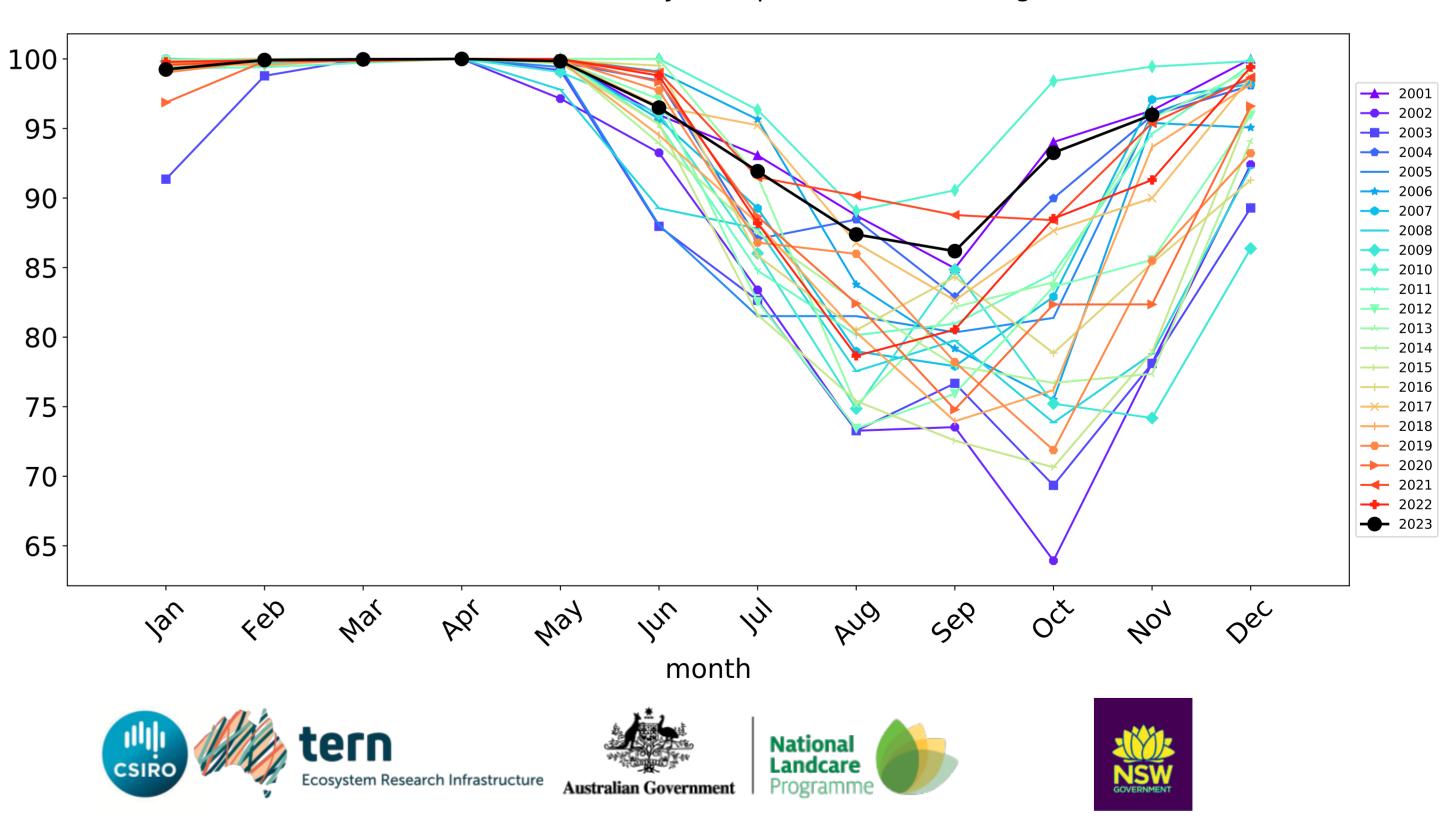
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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

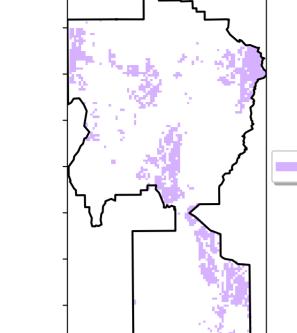


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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

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

Land use and forest cover



1 Conservation and natural environments - Nonforest

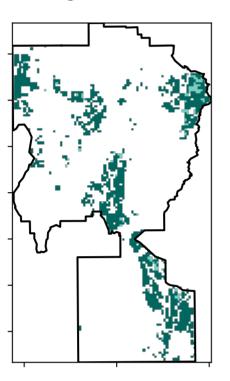
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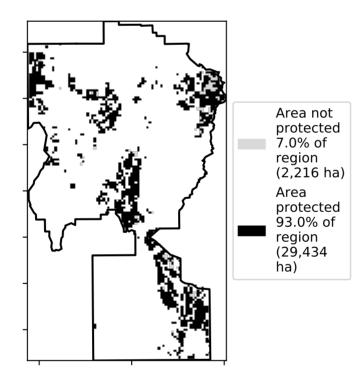
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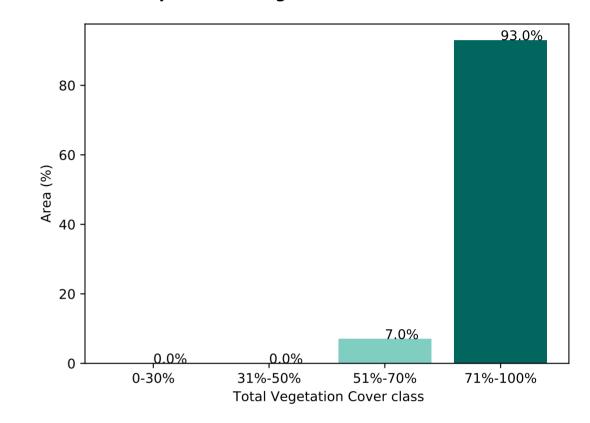
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 







Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



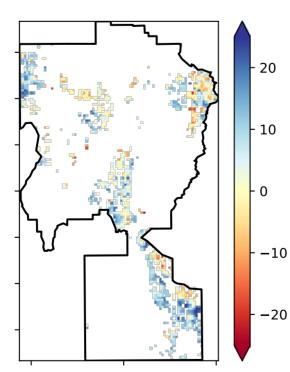
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



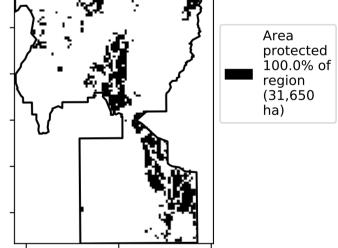
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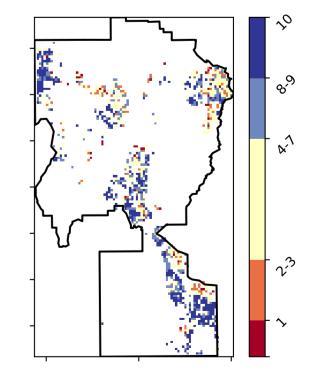
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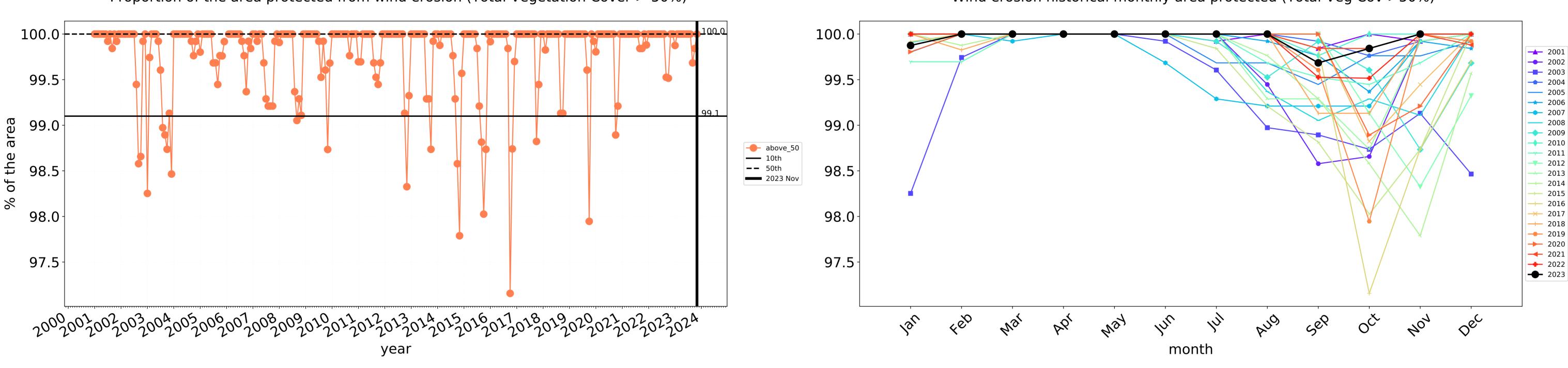
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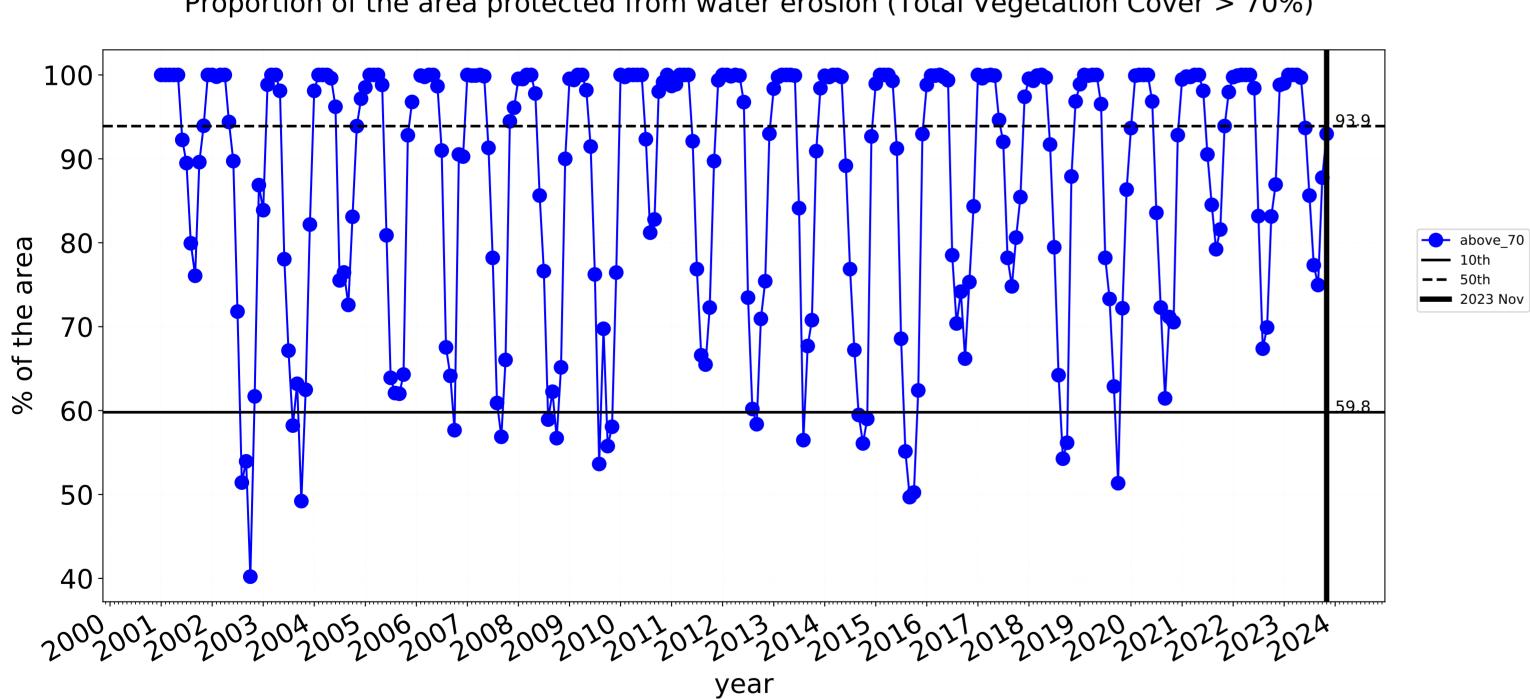
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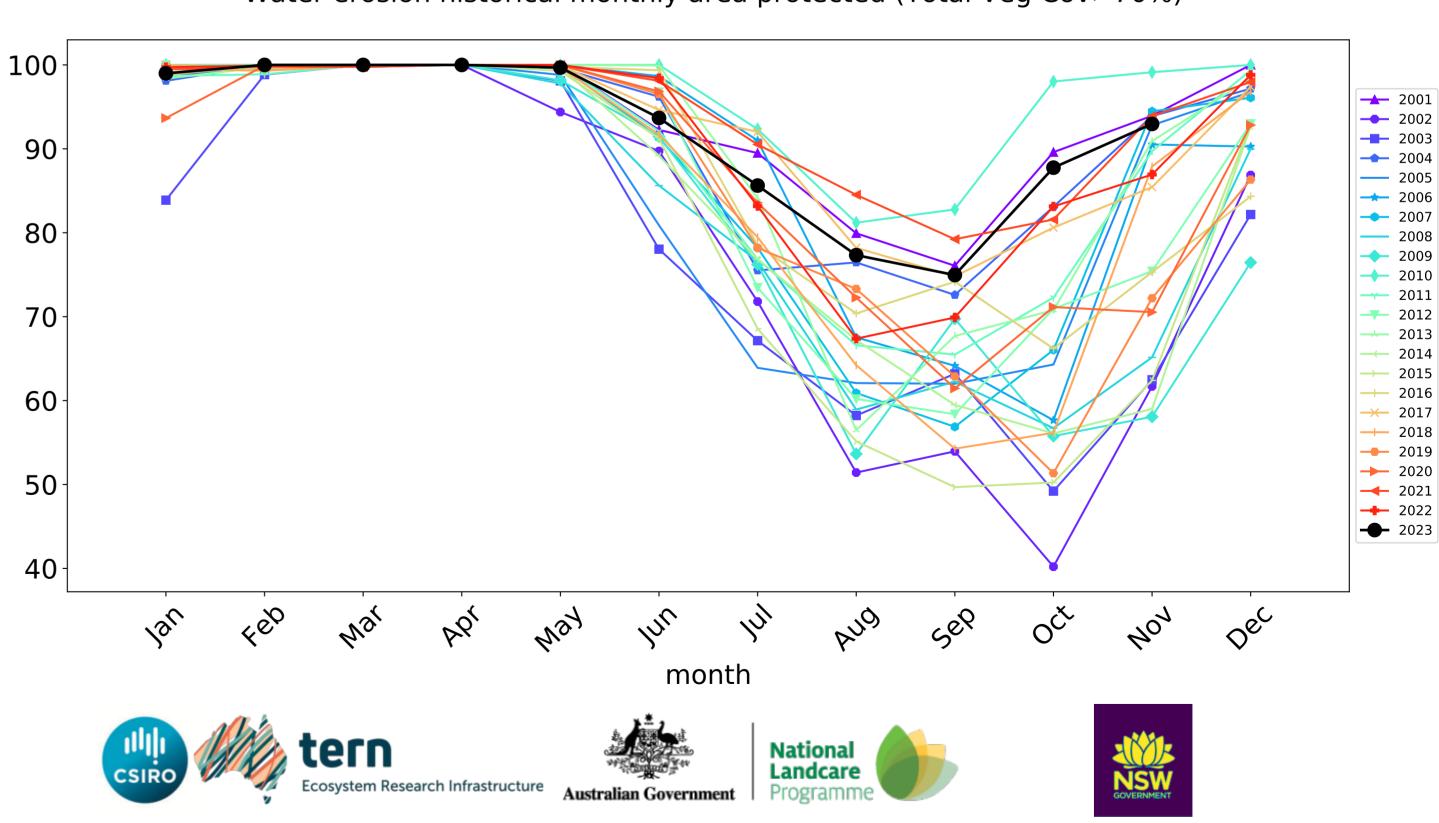
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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

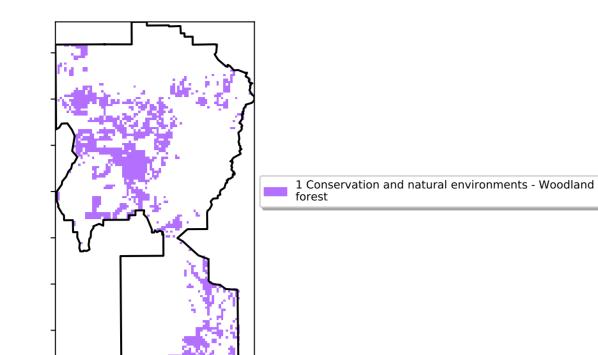
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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

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

Land use and forest cover



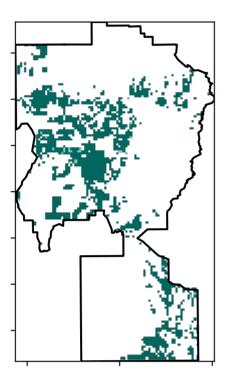
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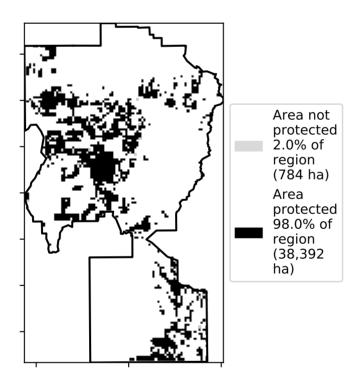
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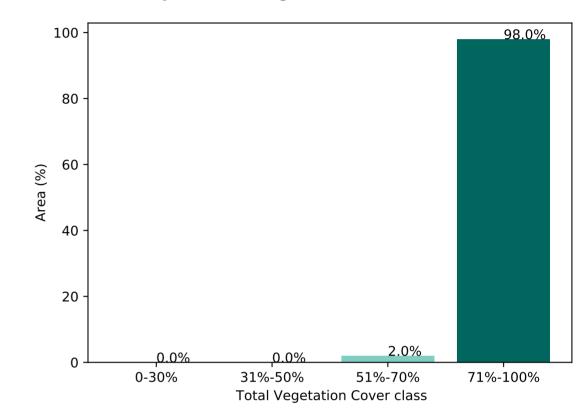
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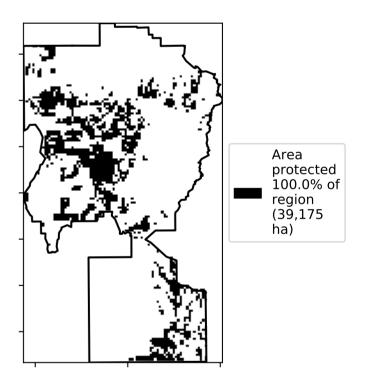






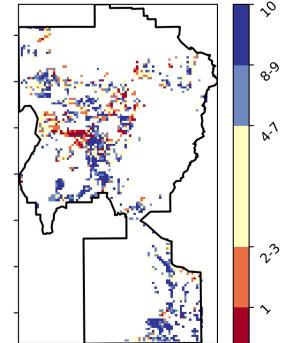


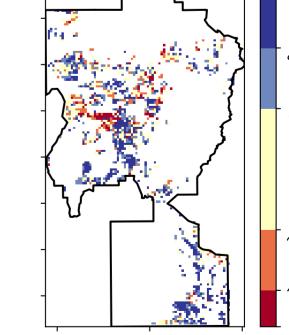
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







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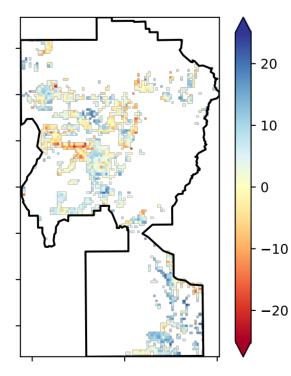
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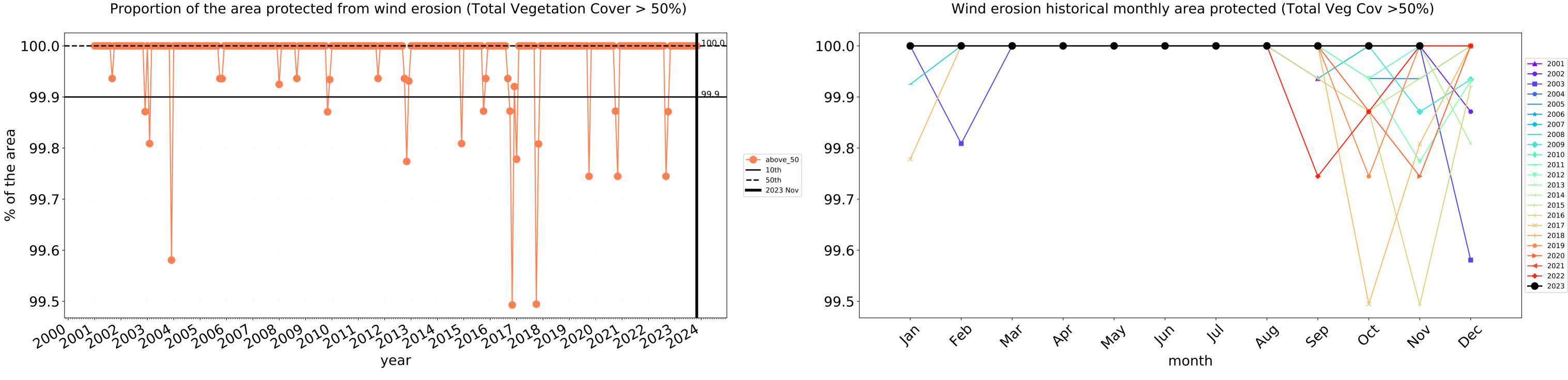
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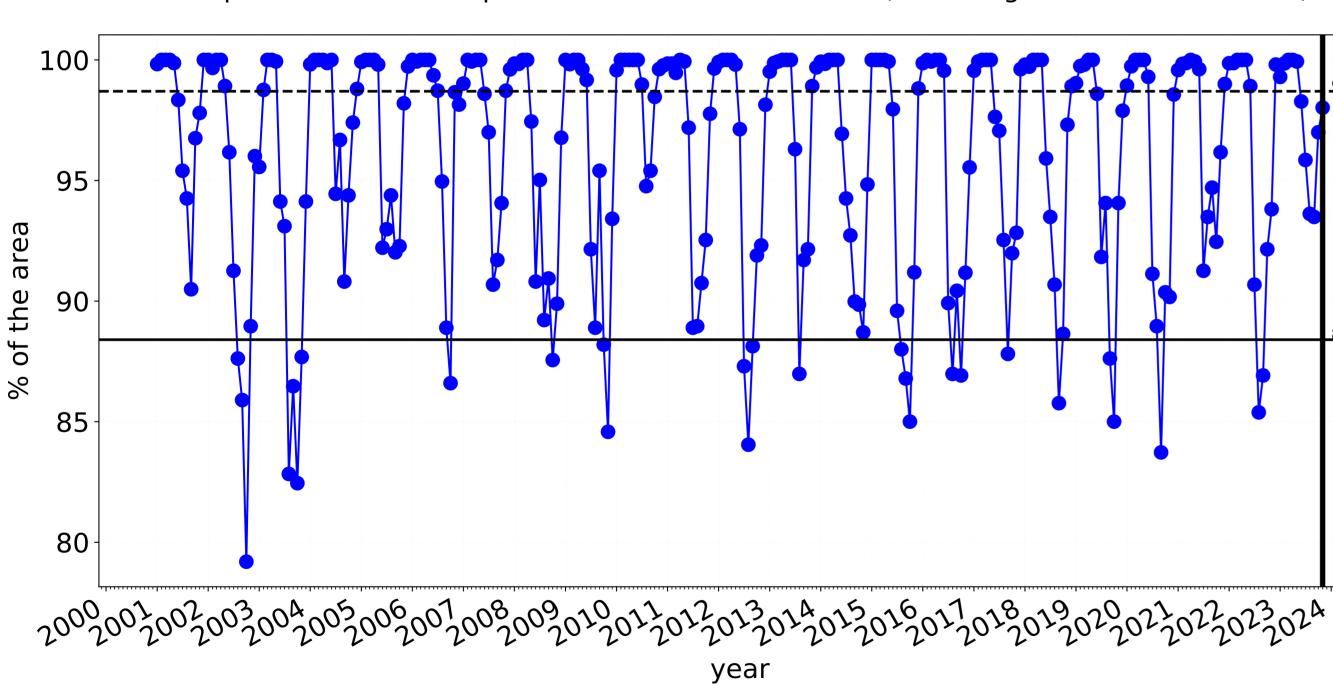


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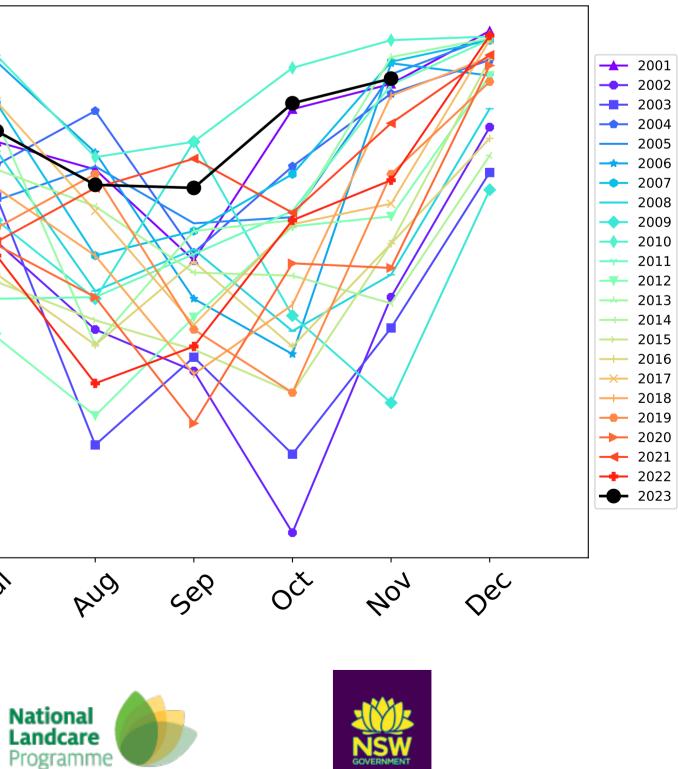




Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

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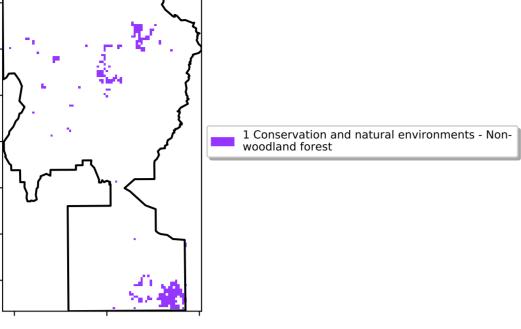
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



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

Land use and forest cover

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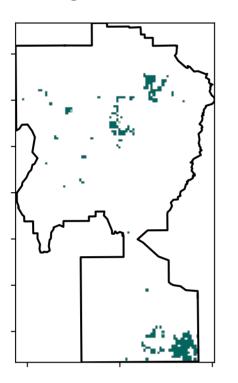
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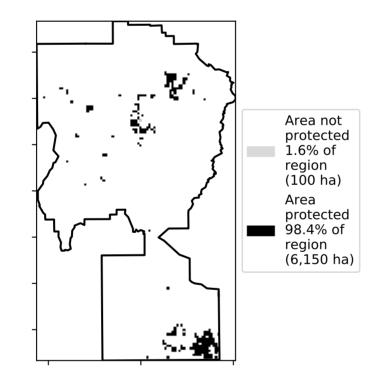
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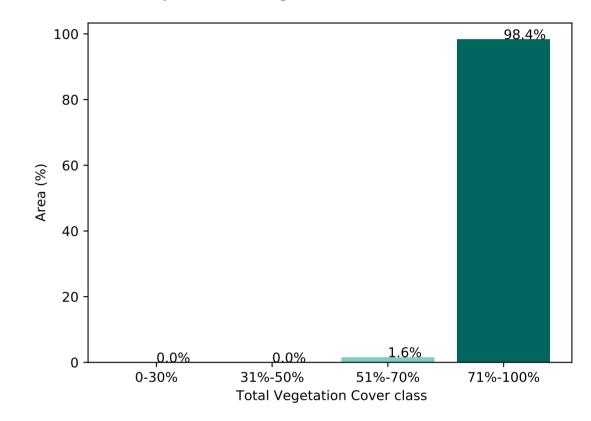
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 







Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

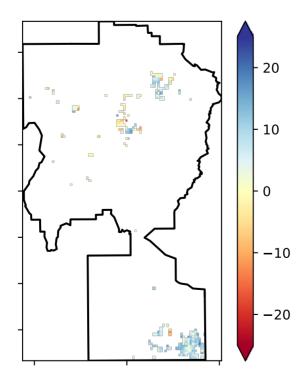


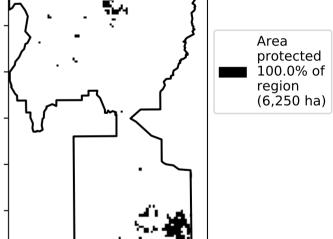
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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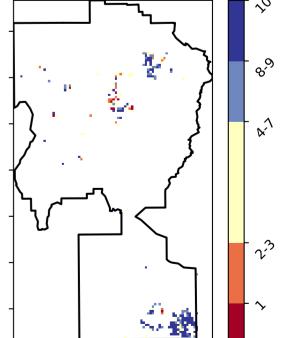
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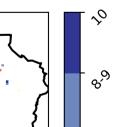


**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

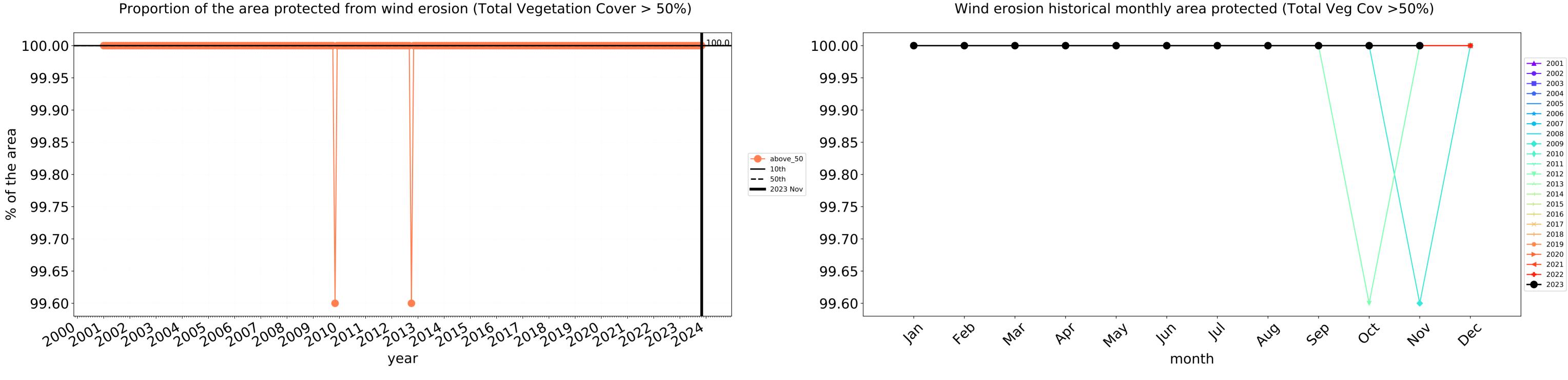
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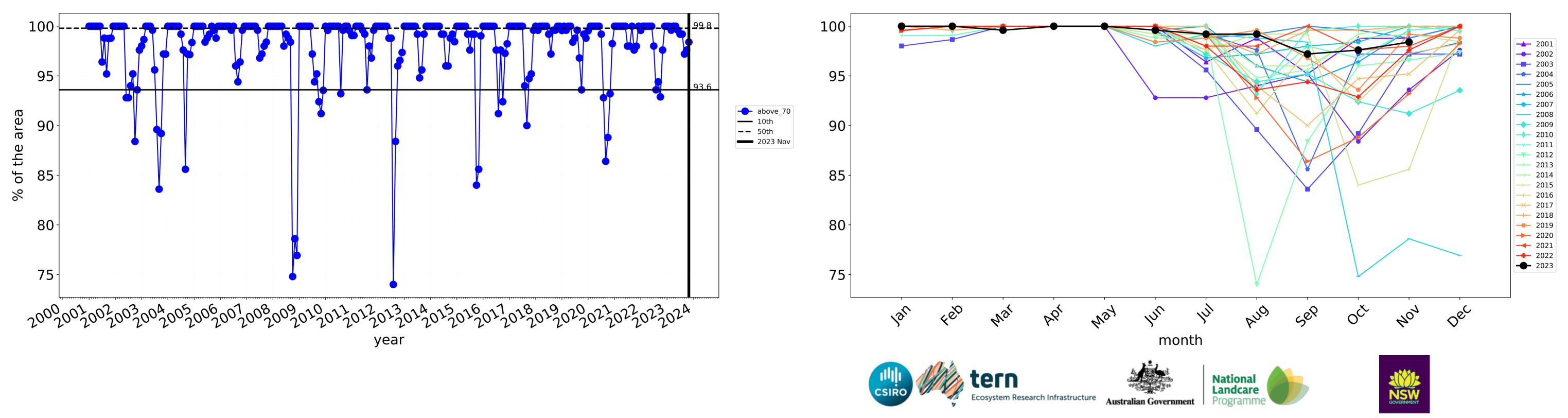




### Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries



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

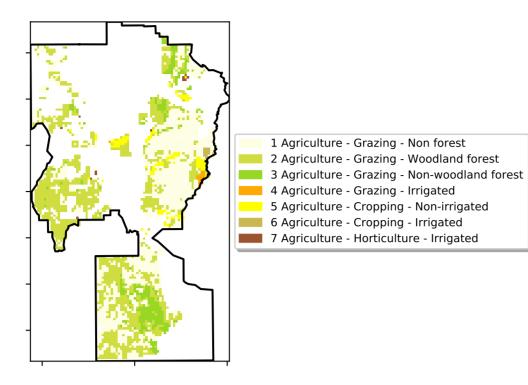


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

### Agriculture

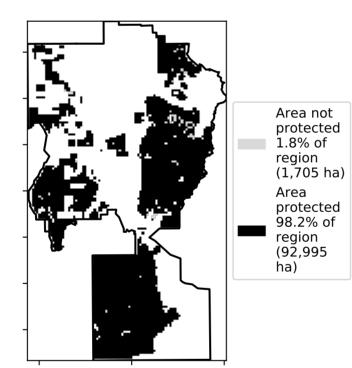
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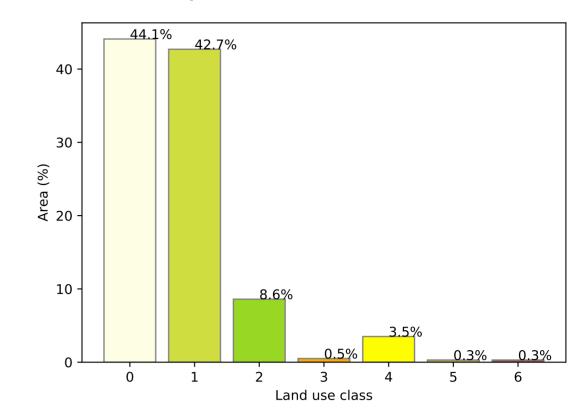
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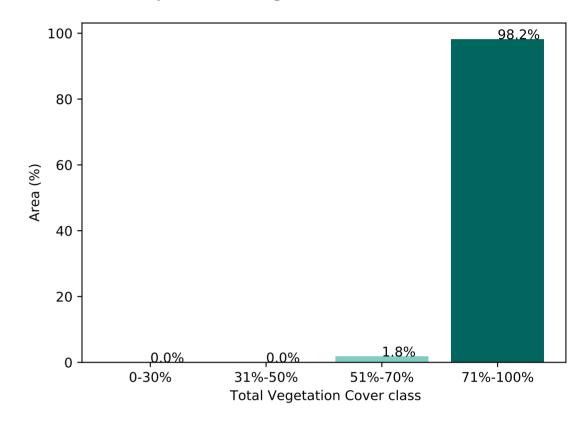






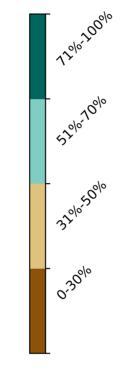
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



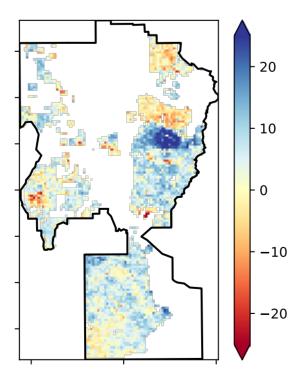


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Area protected 100.0% of region (94,700 ha)

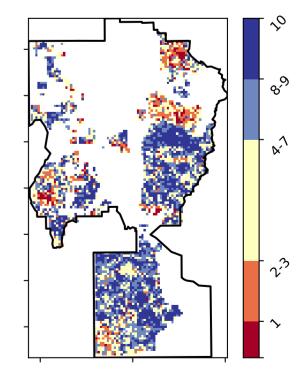
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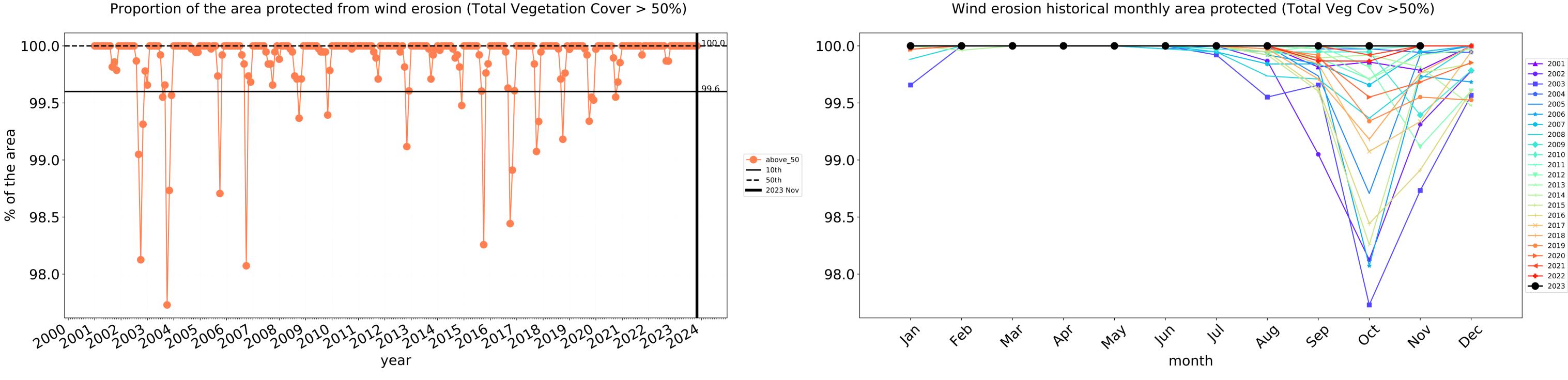
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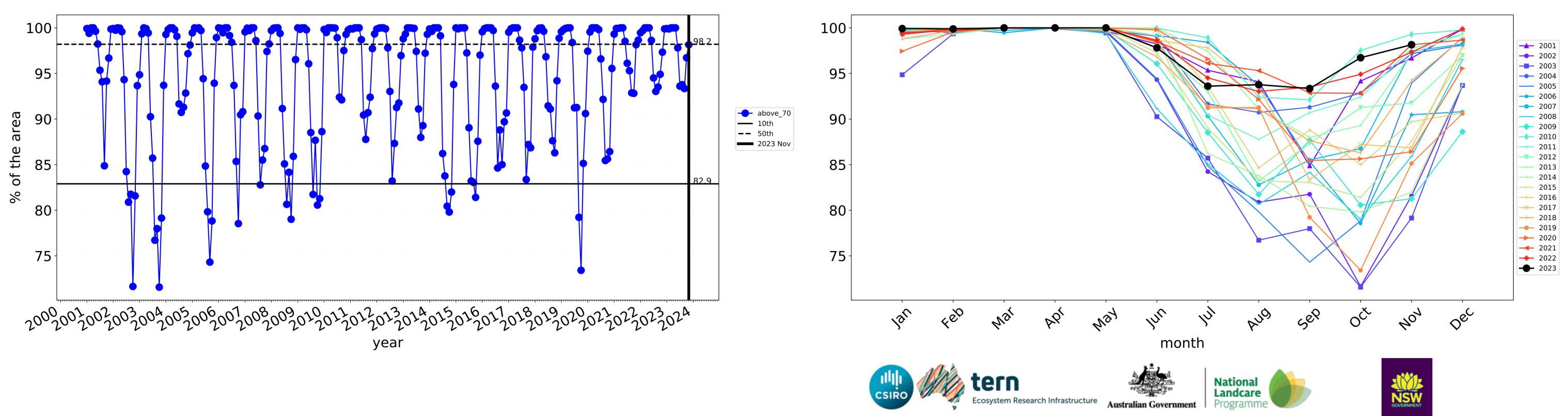






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)





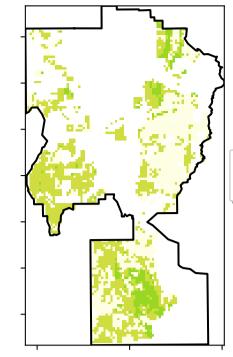
### Agriculture timeseries



### Grazing

Land use and forest cover

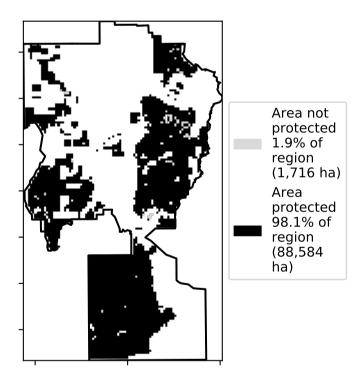
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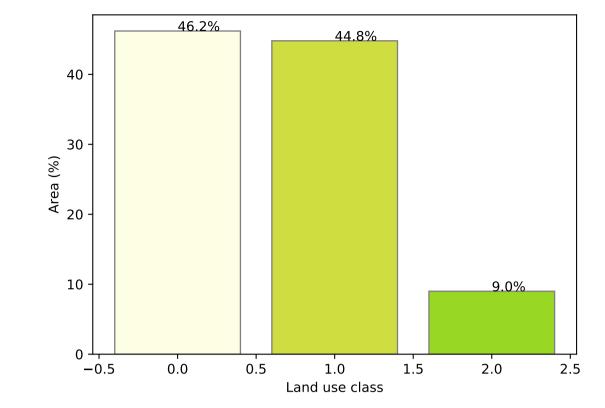


Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest
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### Total Vegetation Cover [%]

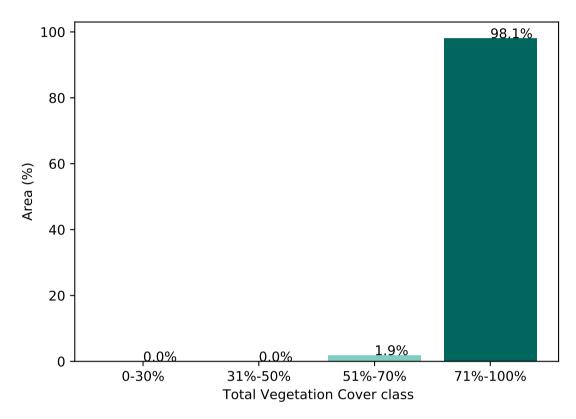






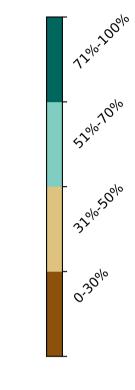
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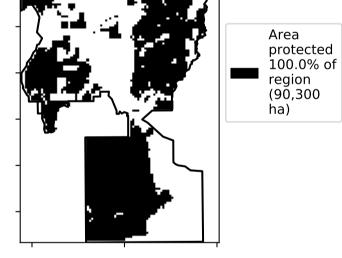
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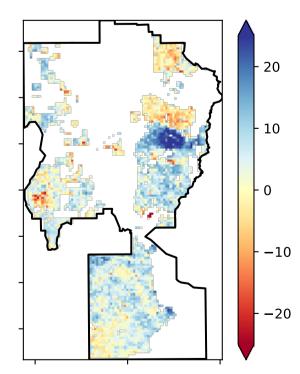






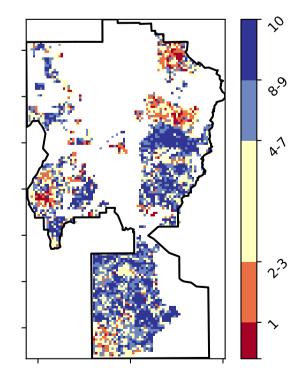
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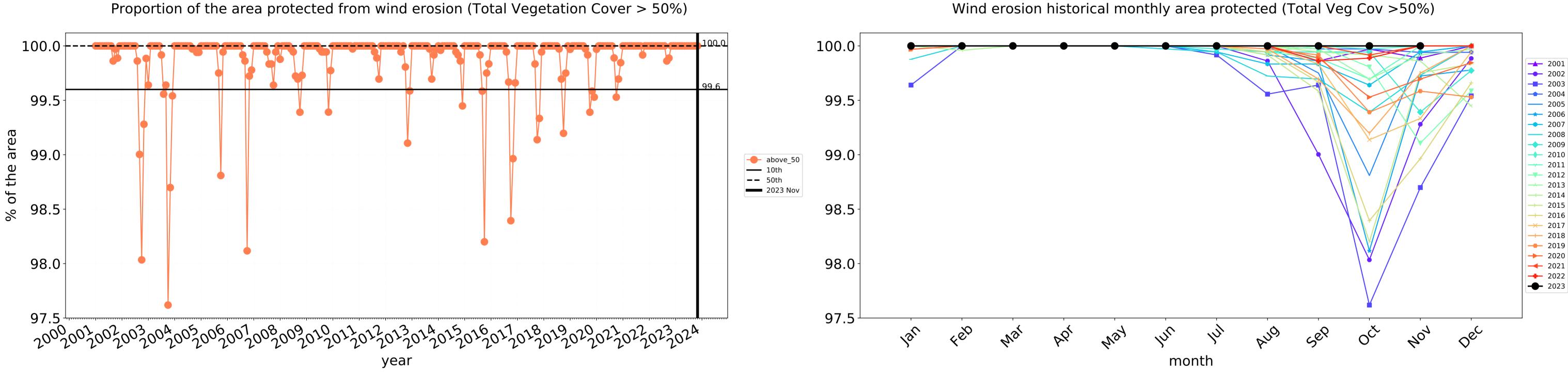


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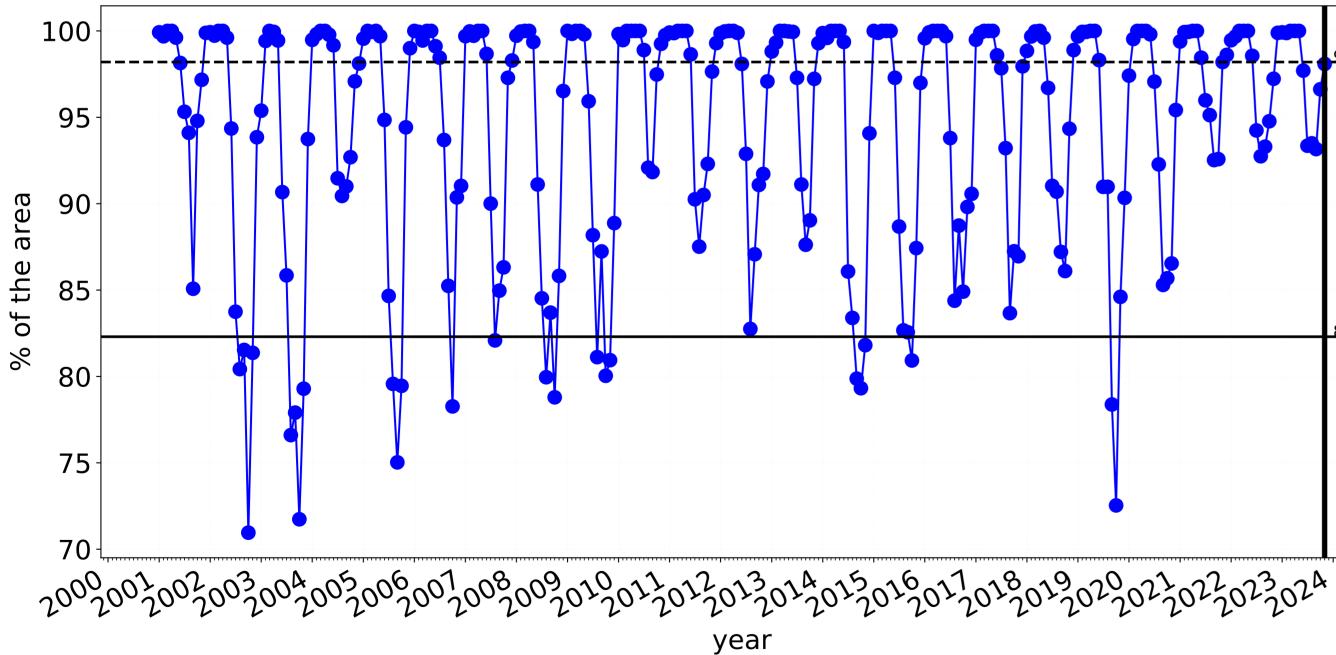






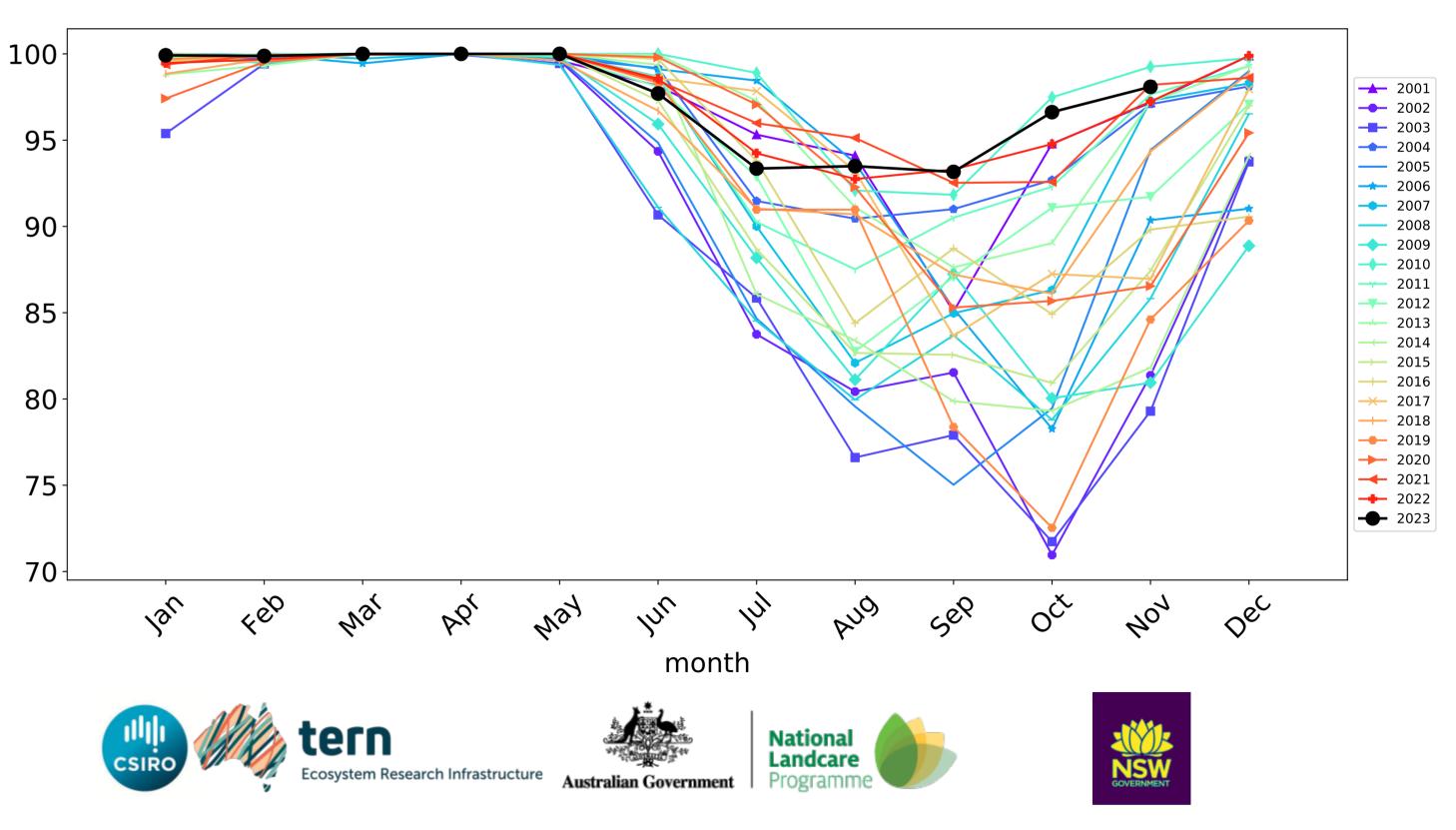






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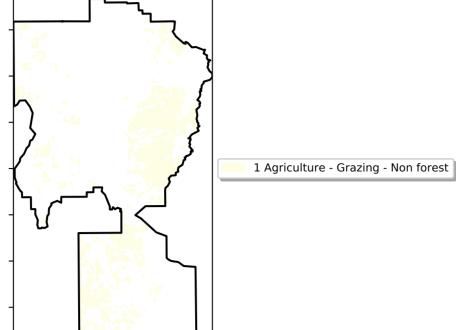
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



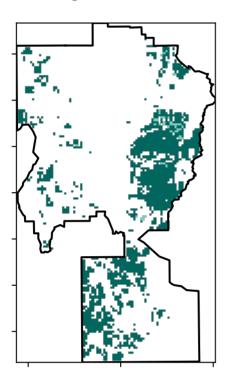
### **Grazing non forest**

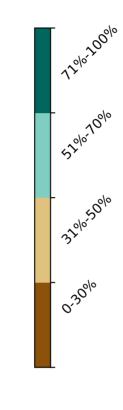
### Land use and forest cover



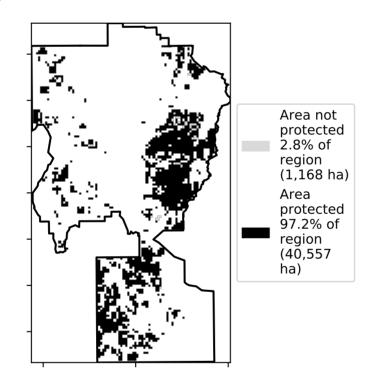


#### Total Vegetation Cover [%]

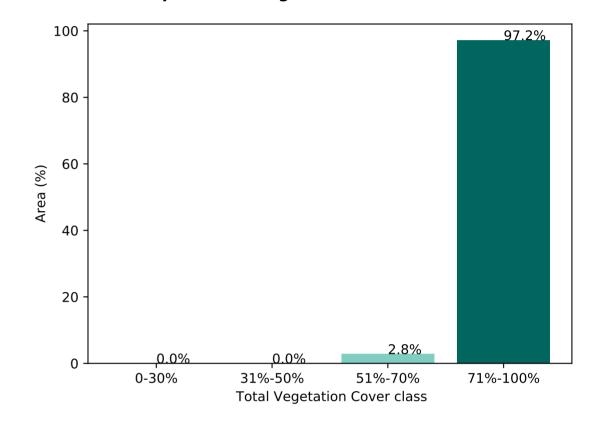




% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

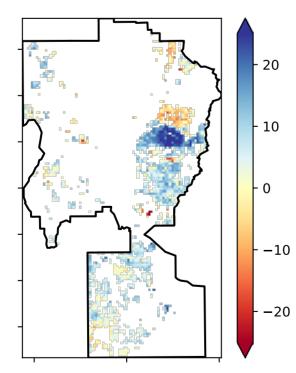


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

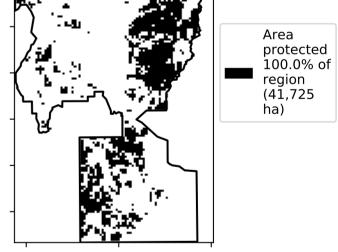


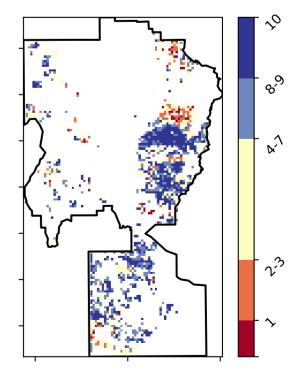
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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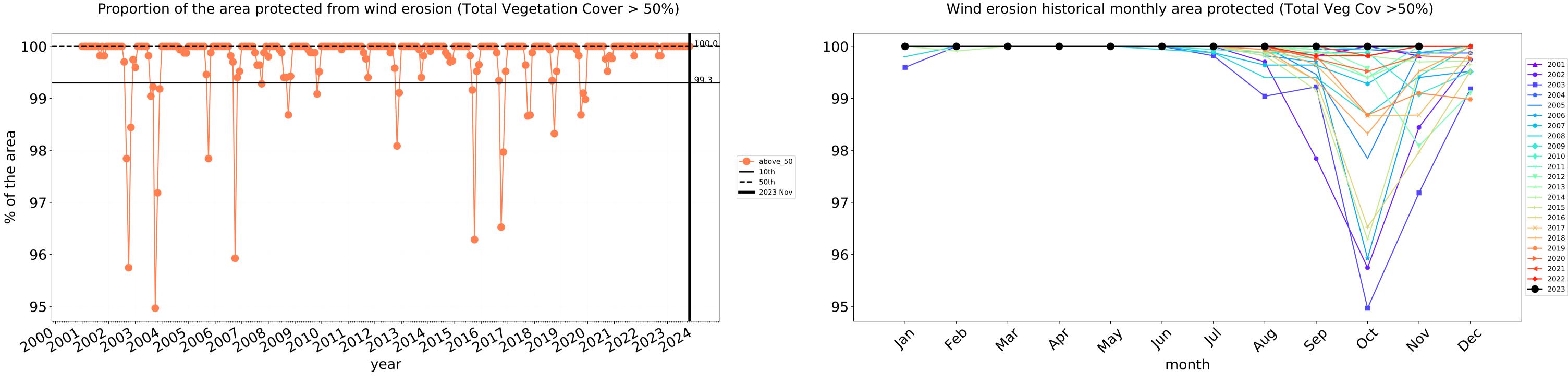


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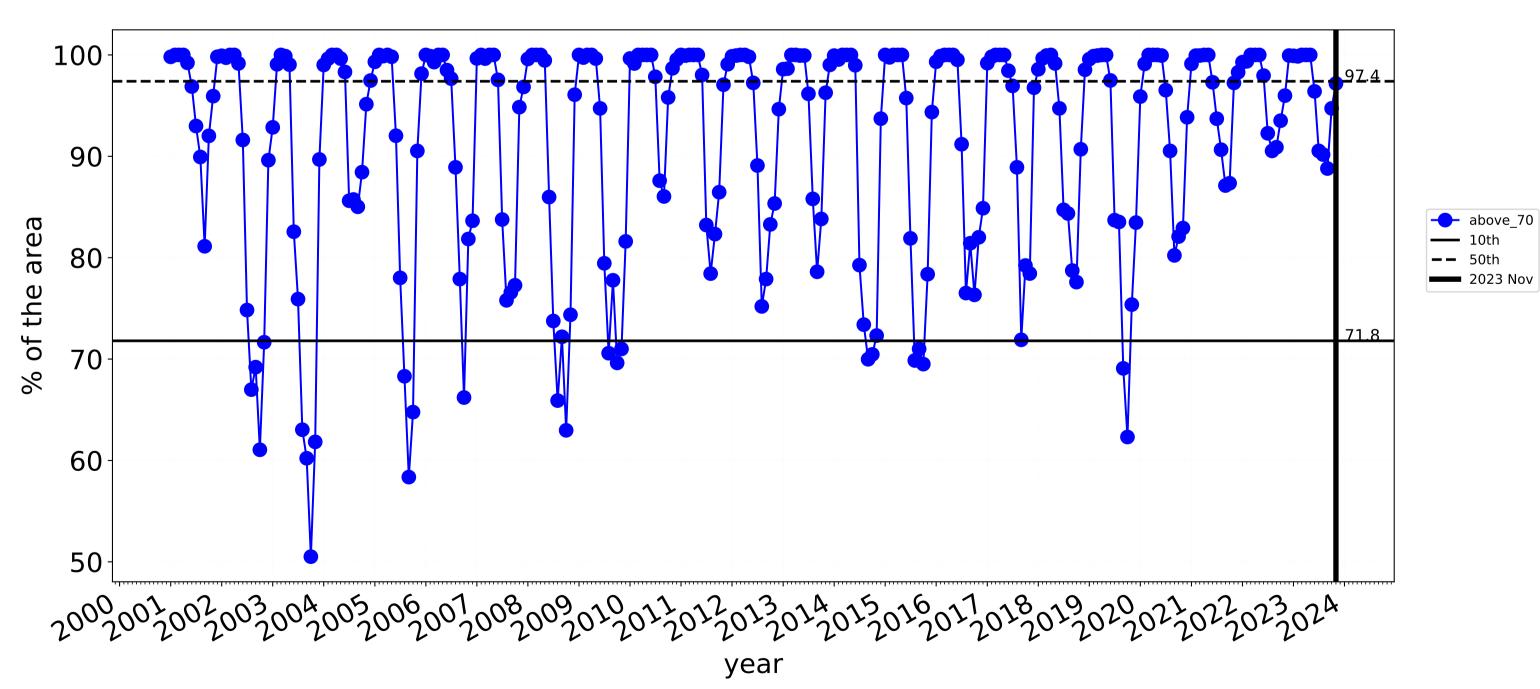






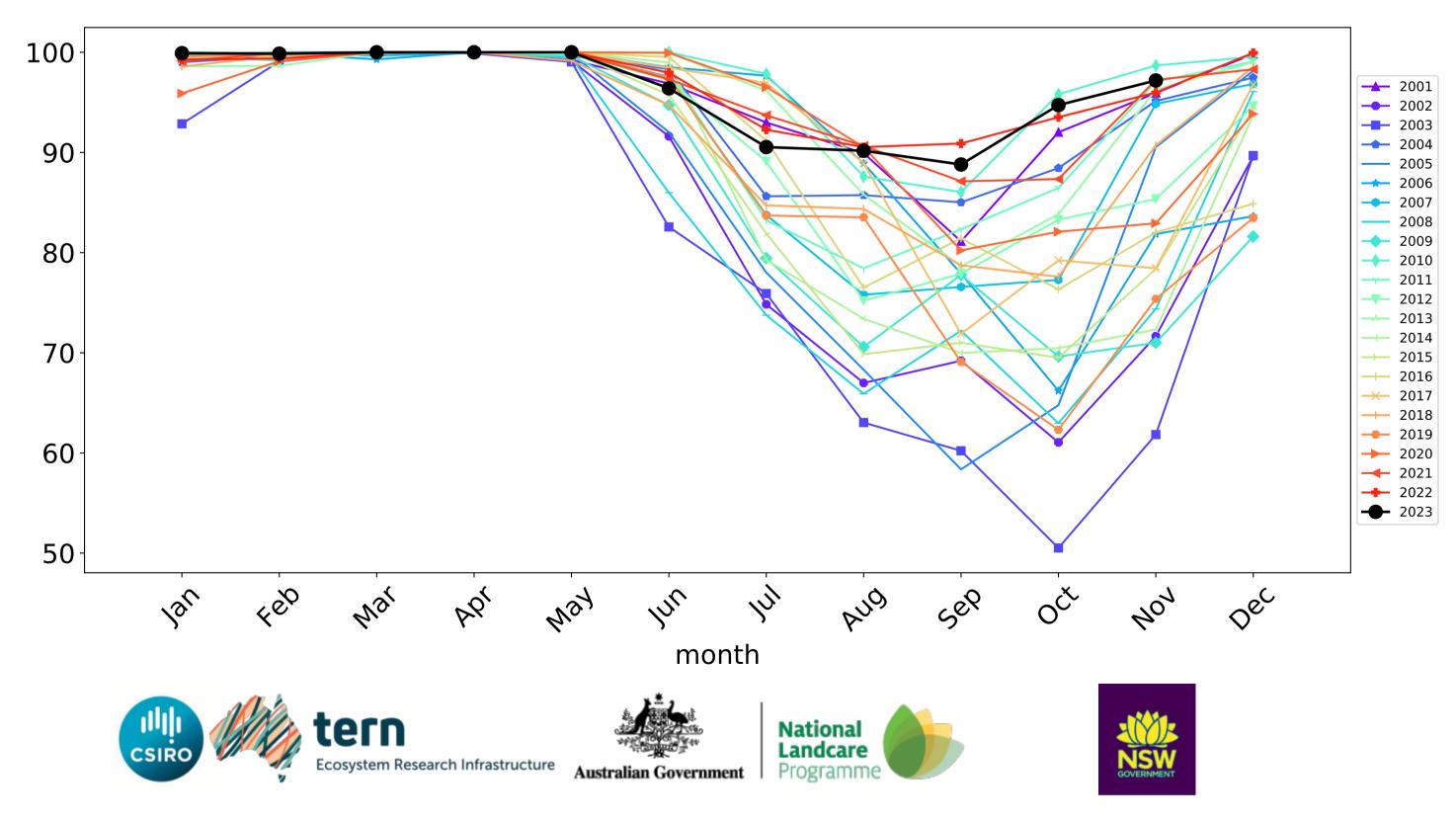
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)





### Grazing non forest timeseries

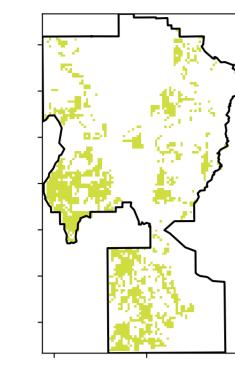
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



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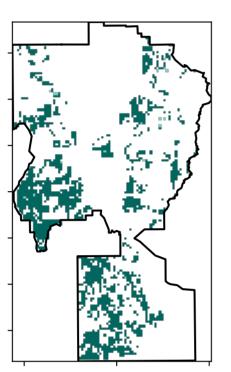
### **Grazing Woodland forest**

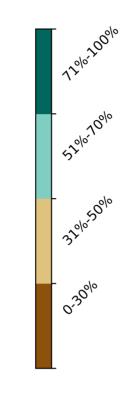
#### Land use and forest cover



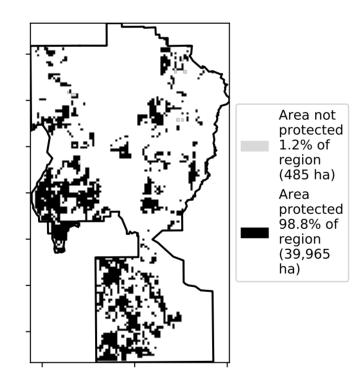
1 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest

#### Total Vegetation Cover [%]

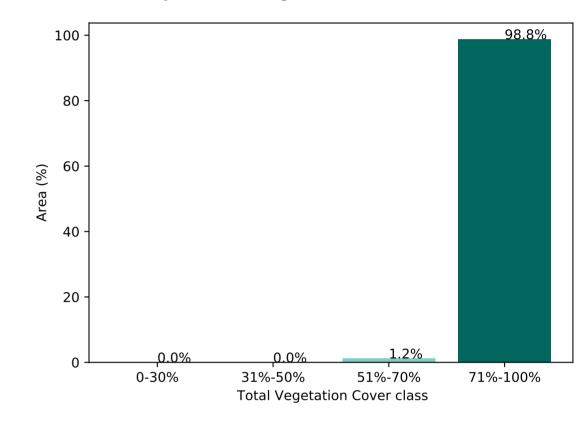




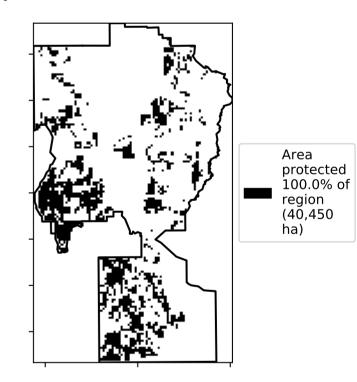
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



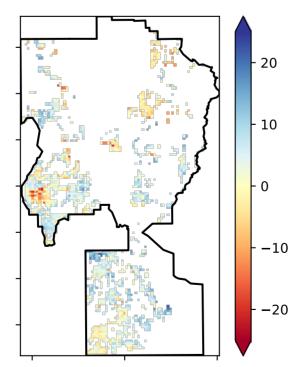
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



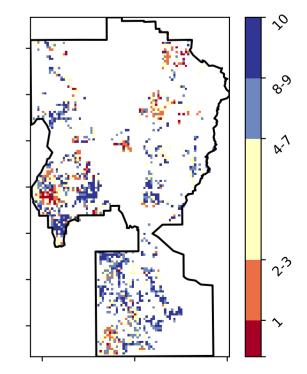
Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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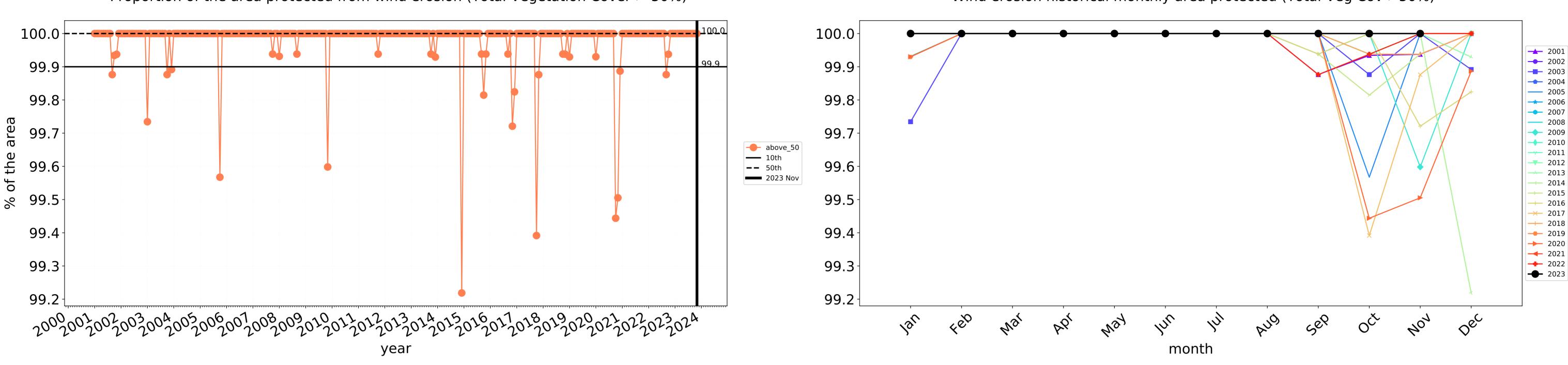


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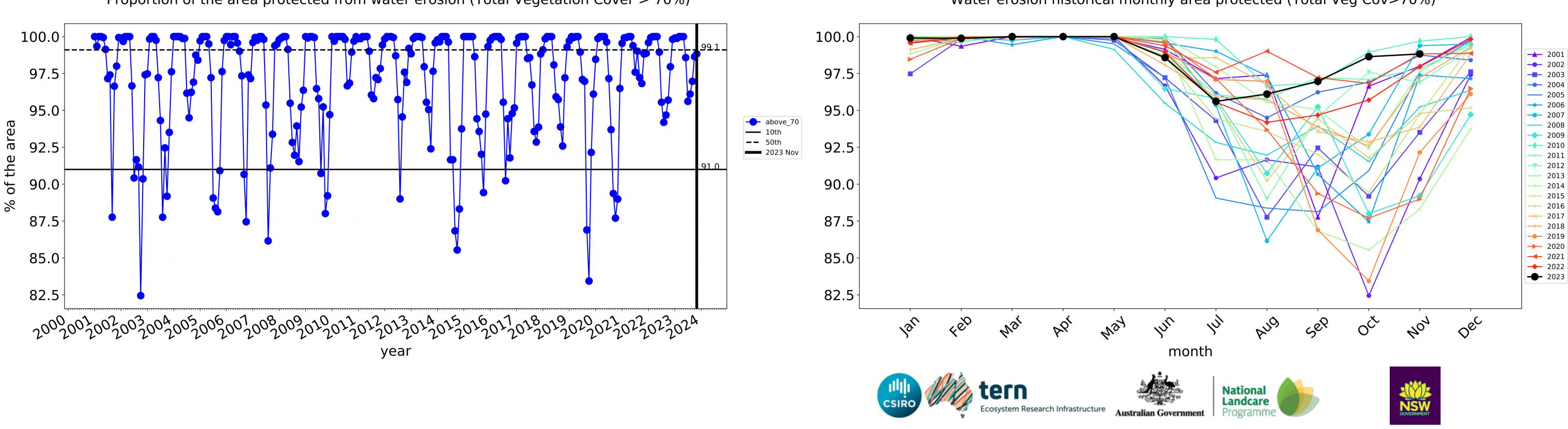












Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

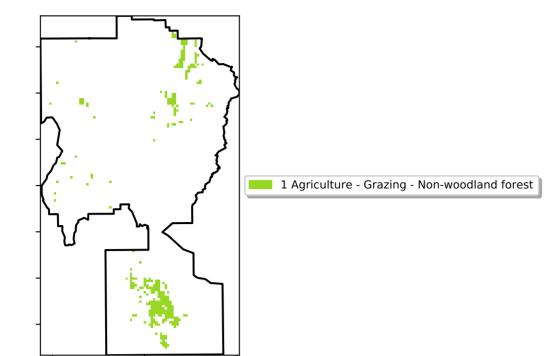
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

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

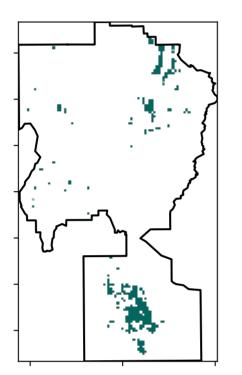
### Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

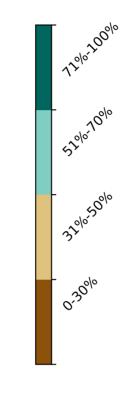
Land use and forest cover



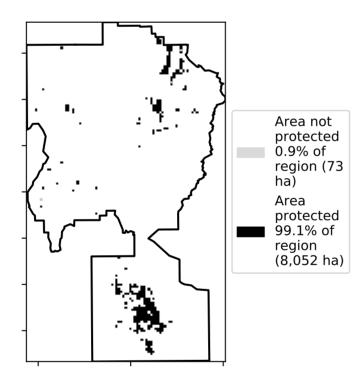


#### Total Vegetation Cover [%]

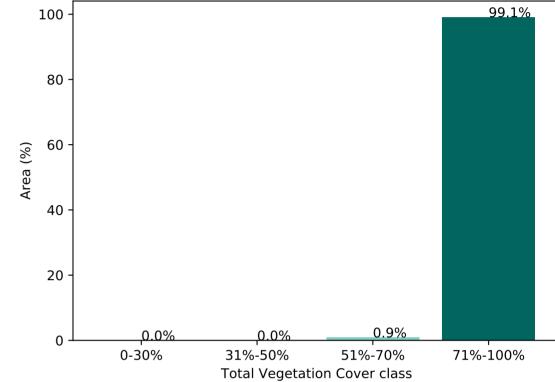




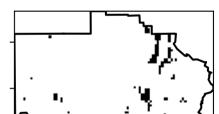
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





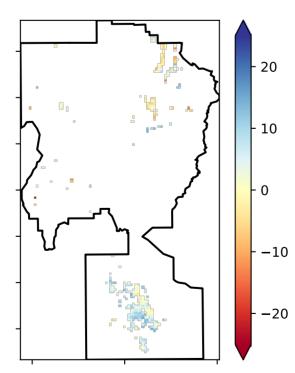


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

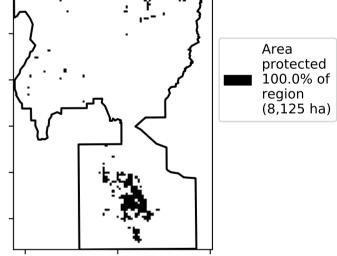


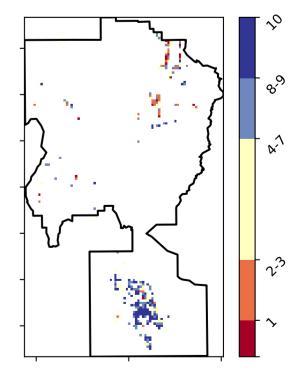
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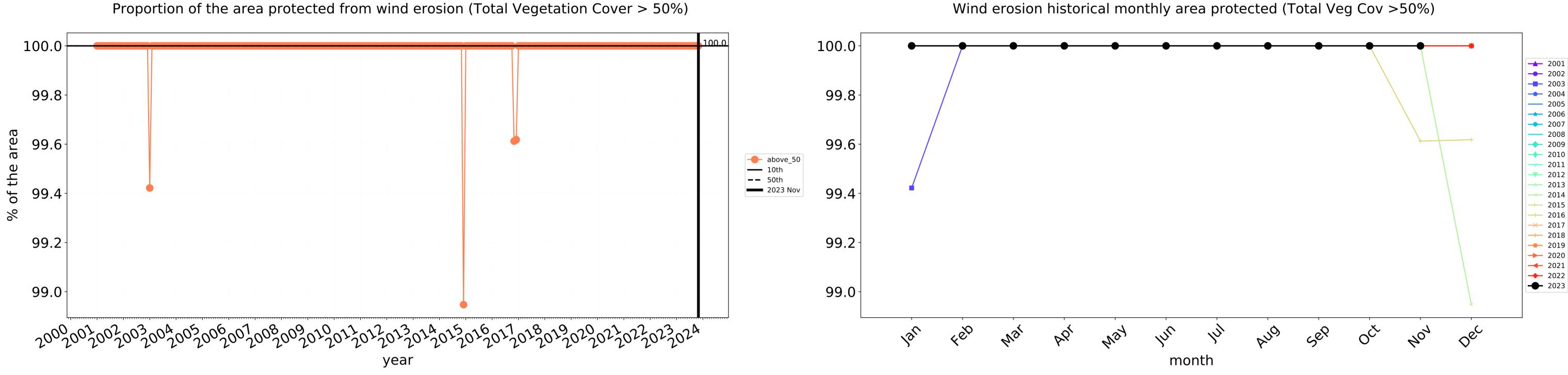
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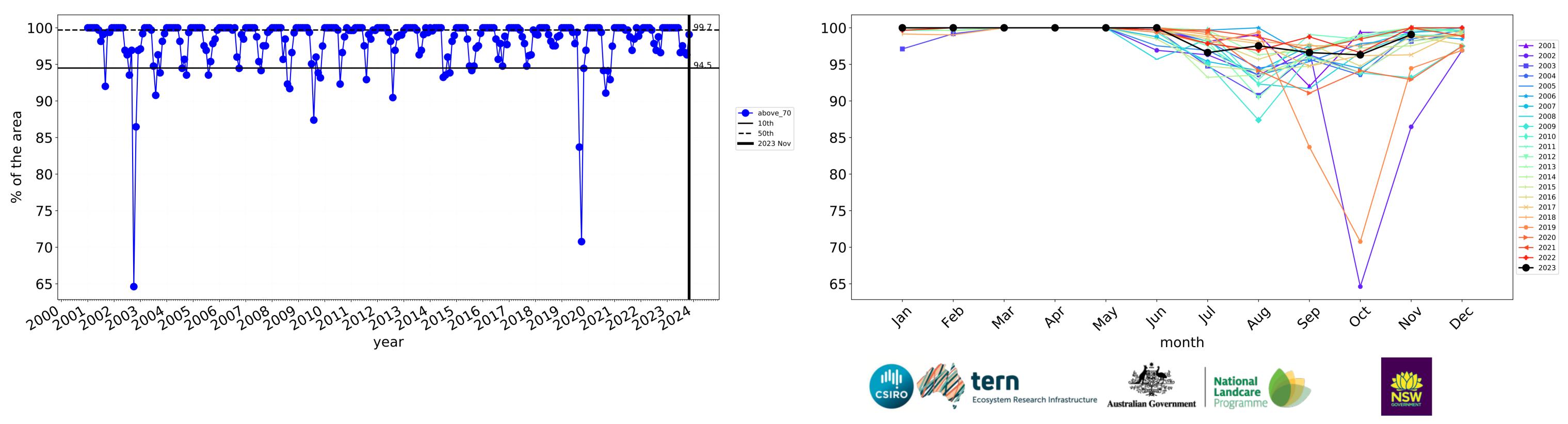




### Grazing - Forest (non woodland) timeseries



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

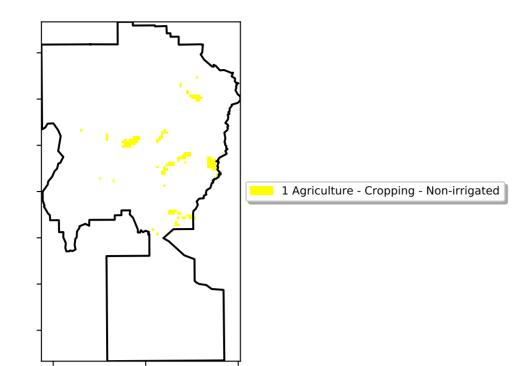




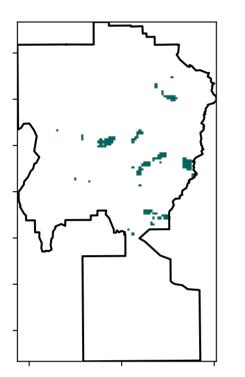
### Cropping

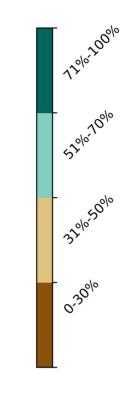
#### Land use and forest cover

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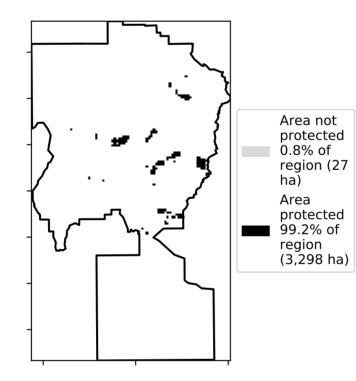


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

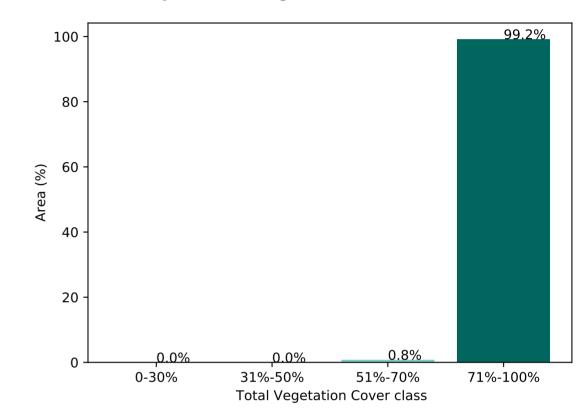




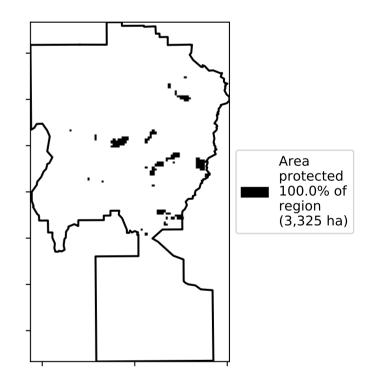
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



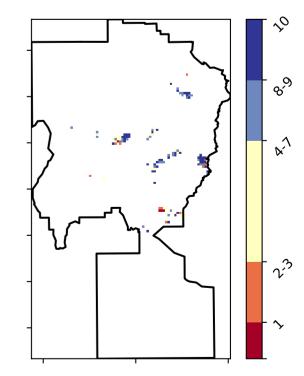
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

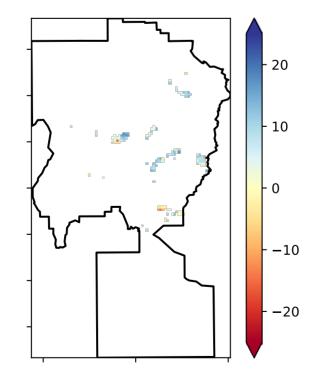


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

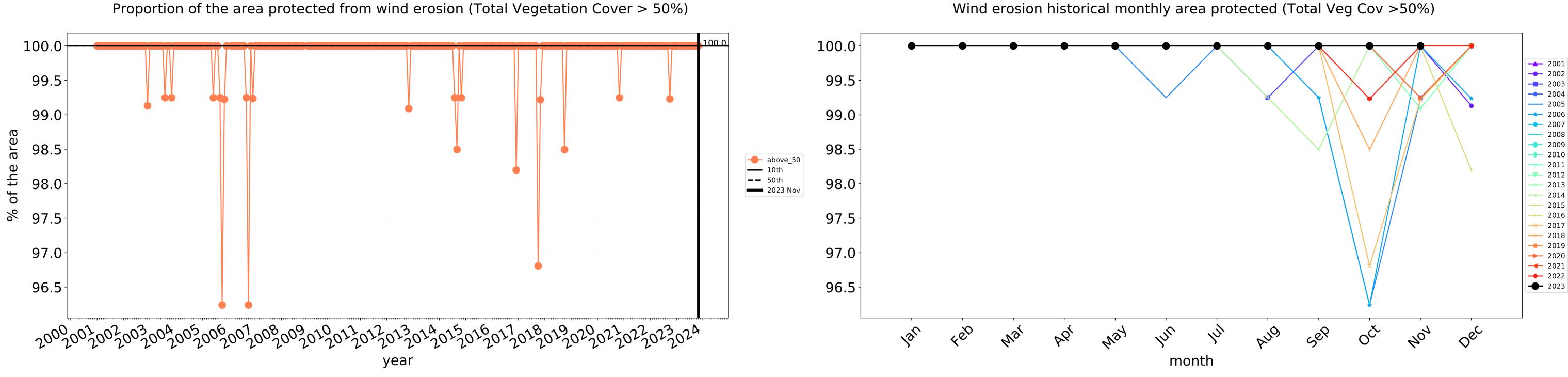
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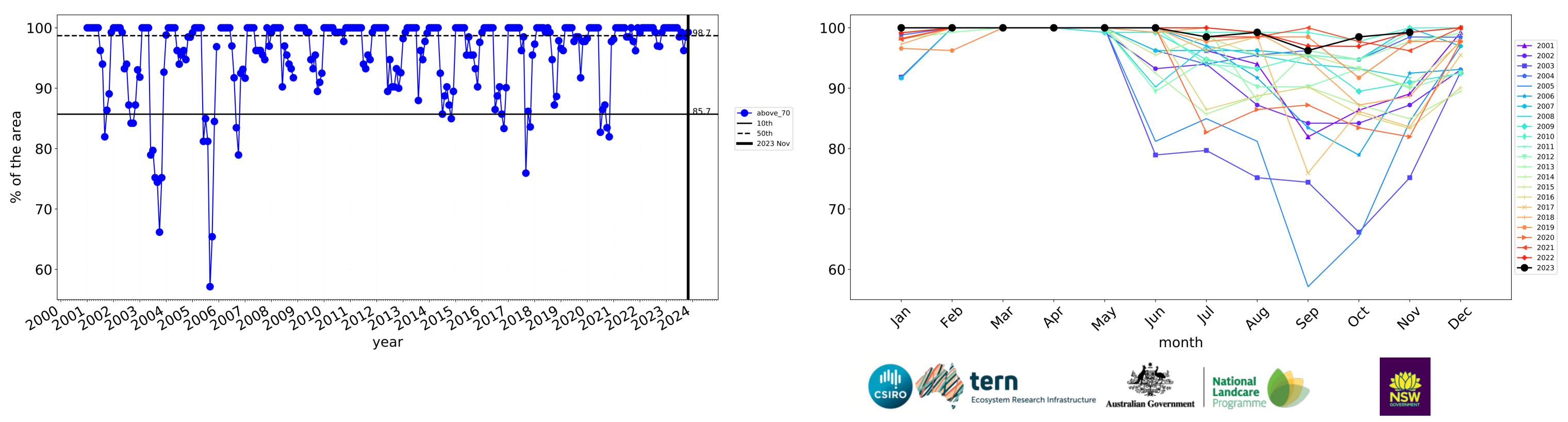
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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



### **Cropping timeseries**

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

# Coomalie\_(S) (204,775 ha and no data 859 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	204,775	100.0% 204,750	99.9% 204,650	96.7% 197,925	77.8% 159,275	34.5% 70,650	15.2% 31,075
Conservation and natural environments	77,075	100.0% 77,075	100.0% 77,075	96.0% 73,975	75.0% 57,825	34.1% 26,300	13.3% 10,250
Conservation and natural environments non forest	31,650	100.0% 31,650	100.0% 31,650	93.0% 29,425	64.8% 20,525	26.2% 8,300	10.0% 3,175
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	39,175	100.0% 39,175	100.0% 39,175	98.0% 38,400	80.2% 31,425	38.2% 14,950	15.5% 6,075
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	6,250	100.0% 6,250	100.0% 6,250	98.4% 6,150	94.0% 5,875	48.8% 3,050	16.0% 1,000
Agriculture	94,700	100.0% 94,700	100.0% 94,700	98.2% 92,950	84.7% 80,225	40.5% 38,400	19.5% 18,450
Grazing	90,300	100.0% 90,300	100.0% 90,300	98.1% 88,575	84.3% 76,100	40.1% 36,175	19.3% 17,450
Grazing non forest	41,725	100.0% 41,725	100.0% 41,725	97.2% 40,550	80.6% 33,650	40.0% 16,675	21.7% 9,050
Grazing Woodland forest	40,450	100.0% 40,450	100.0% 40,450	98.8% 39,975	87.6% 35,450	41.0% 16,600	18.4% 7,425
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	8,125	100.0% 8,125	100.0% 8,125	99.1% 8,050	86.2% 7,000	35.7% 2,900	12.0% 975
Cropping	3,325	100.0% 3,325	100.0% 3,325	99.2% 3,300	91.7% 3,050	50.4% 1,675	25.6% 850

