Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Bundaberg_(R) QLD

Date: April 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:

- 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:

https://doi.org/10.4225/08/5848a3f19a7b3



Vegetation Cover Apr 2024

Land use and forest cover

Proportion of each land class in area



Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





protected (7,056 ha)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





Anomaly show how many percetage points each pixel is from the mean. That is, red pixels are about 20% lower than the mean of that pixel. The mean is only for the month of the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019.

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Conservation and natural environments

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Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)









Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





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





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



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

Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 80%)





Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest

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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







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





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





Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)



Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





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%)



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









Agriculture

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Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)









Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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





Agriculture timeseries

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



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







Grazing

Land use and forest cover

Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest

2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest

3 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest



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Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

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Land use class

1.5

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







Grazing non forest

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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 Decile [%]







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





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





Grazing Woodland forest



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% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







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Total Vegetation Cover class % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

100

80

60

Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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



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





Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

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Total Vegetation Cover [%]

Land use and forest cover



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





Irrigation

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Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)









Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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











Production native forests and plantation forests

1 Production native forests and plantation forests

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0-30%

Total Vegetation Cover [%]

Land use and forest cover



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries



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Bundaberg_(R) (641,475 ha and no data 1,951 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	641,475	100.0% 641,425	99.9% 640,725	98.9% 634,525	95.1% 609,975	66.3% 425,050	24.0% 153,875
Conservation and natural environments	81,000	100.0% 81,000	99.7% 80,725	98.5% 79,800	96.2% 77,950	75.9% 61,450	29.0% 23,525
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	42,425	100.0% 42,425	99.9% 42,375	99.1% 42,025	96.6% 41,000	76.2% 32,325	28.4% 12,050
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	34,550	100.0% 34,550	99.6% 34,400	98.8% 34,150	97.5% 33,700	78.8% 27,225	32.2% 11,125
Agriculture	436,550	100.0% 436,550	100.0% 436,525	99.5% 434,450	96.0% 418,925	64.3% 280,600	22.2% 96,750
Grazing	345,900	100.0% 345,900	100.0% 345,900	99.9% 345,625	99.0% 342,450	74.9% 259,075	26.8% 92,650
Grazing non forest	166,900	100.0% 166,900	100.0% 166,900	99.9% 166,675	98.5% 164,325	67.8% 113,225	24.4% 40,775
Grazing Woodland forest	54,725	100.0% 54,725	100.0% 54,725	100.0% 54,700	98.9% 54,100	75.2% 41,150	24.8% 13,575
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	124,275	100.0% 124,275	100.0% 124,275	100.0% 124,250	99.8% 124,025	84.2% 104,700	30.8% 38,300
Irrigation	88,875	100.0% 88,875	100.0% 88,850	97.9% 87,050	84.3% 74,950	23.4% 20,800	4.4% 3,925
Production native forests and plantation forests	71,200	100.0% 71,200	100.0% 71,200	100.0% 71,200	99.8% 71,050	85.4% 60,800	39.9% 28,400

