## Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Cook\_(S) QLD

## **Date: December 2022**

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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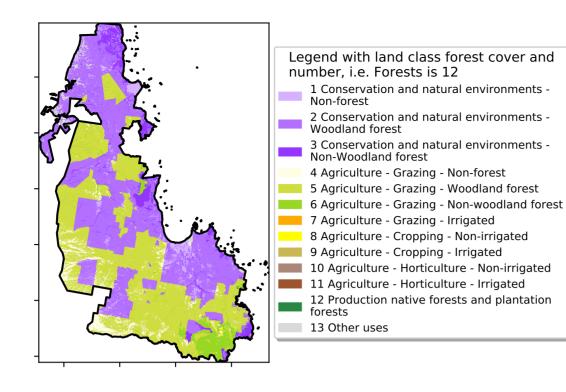


## **Vegetation Cover Dec 2022**

#### Land use and forest cover

#### Proportion of each land class in area

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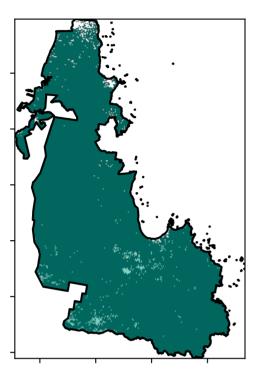
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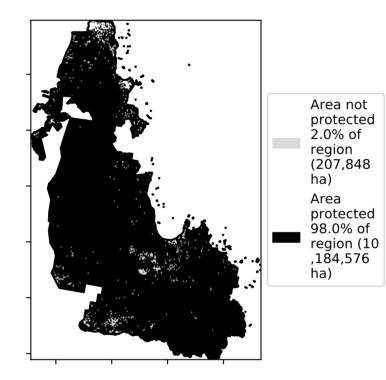
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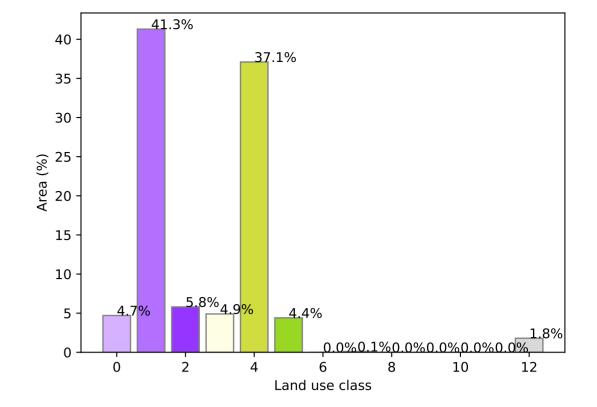
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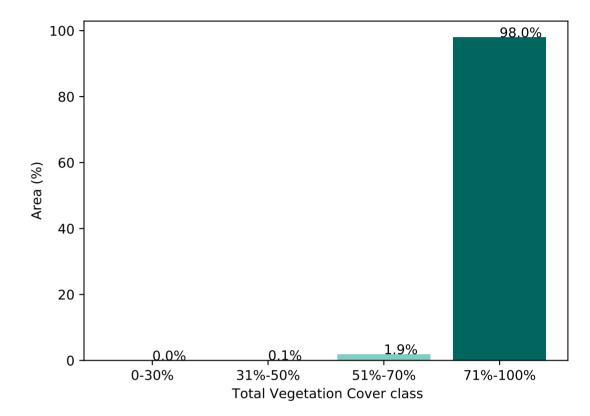


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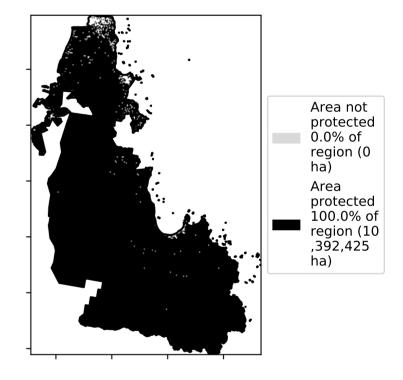




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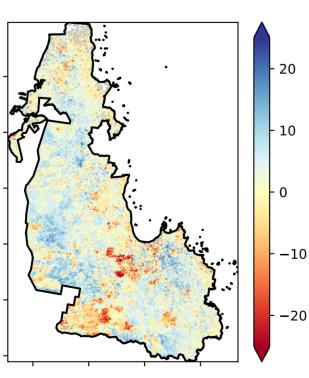


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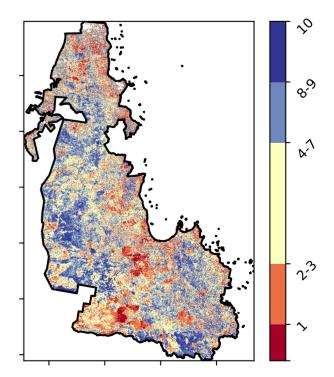


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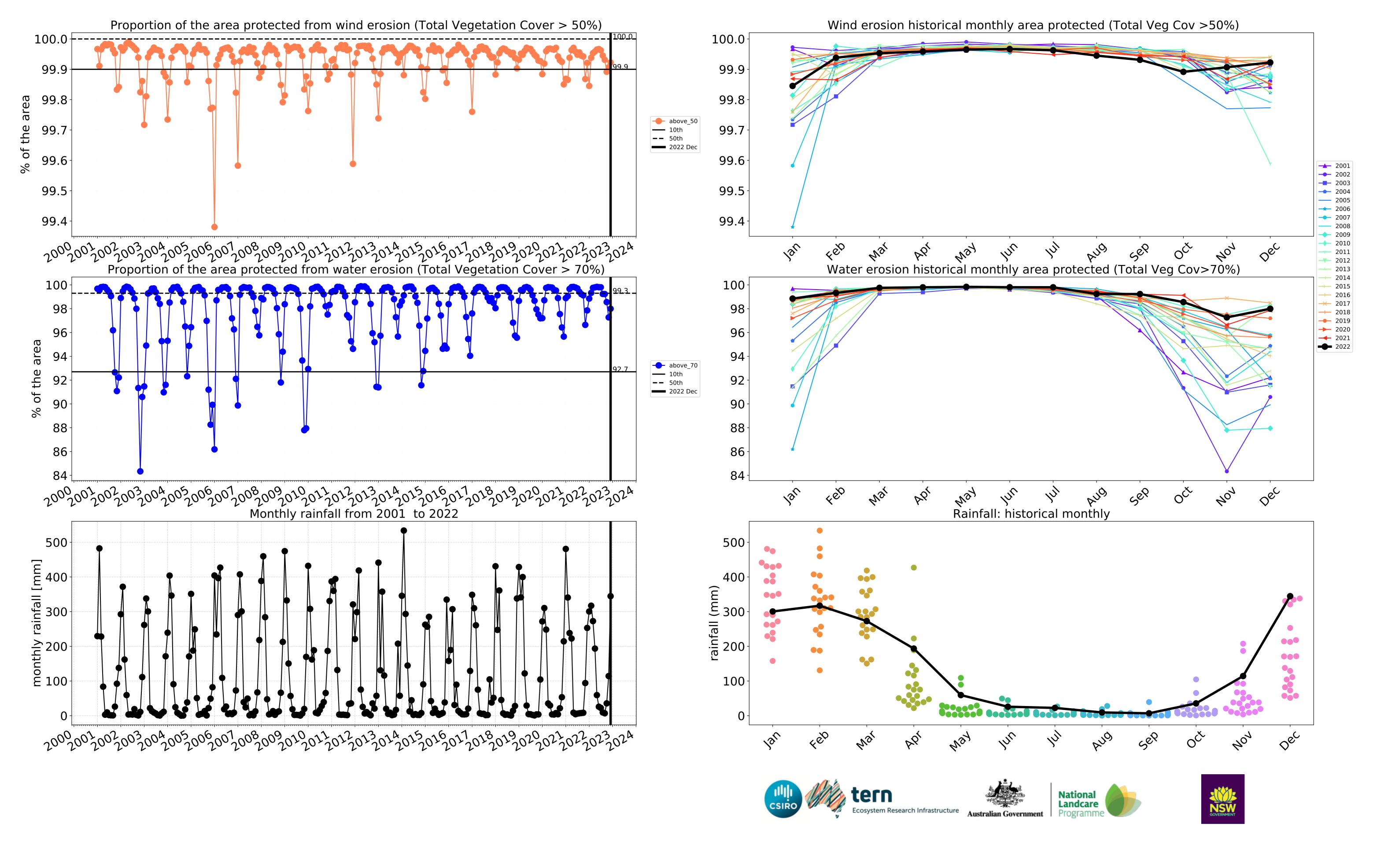
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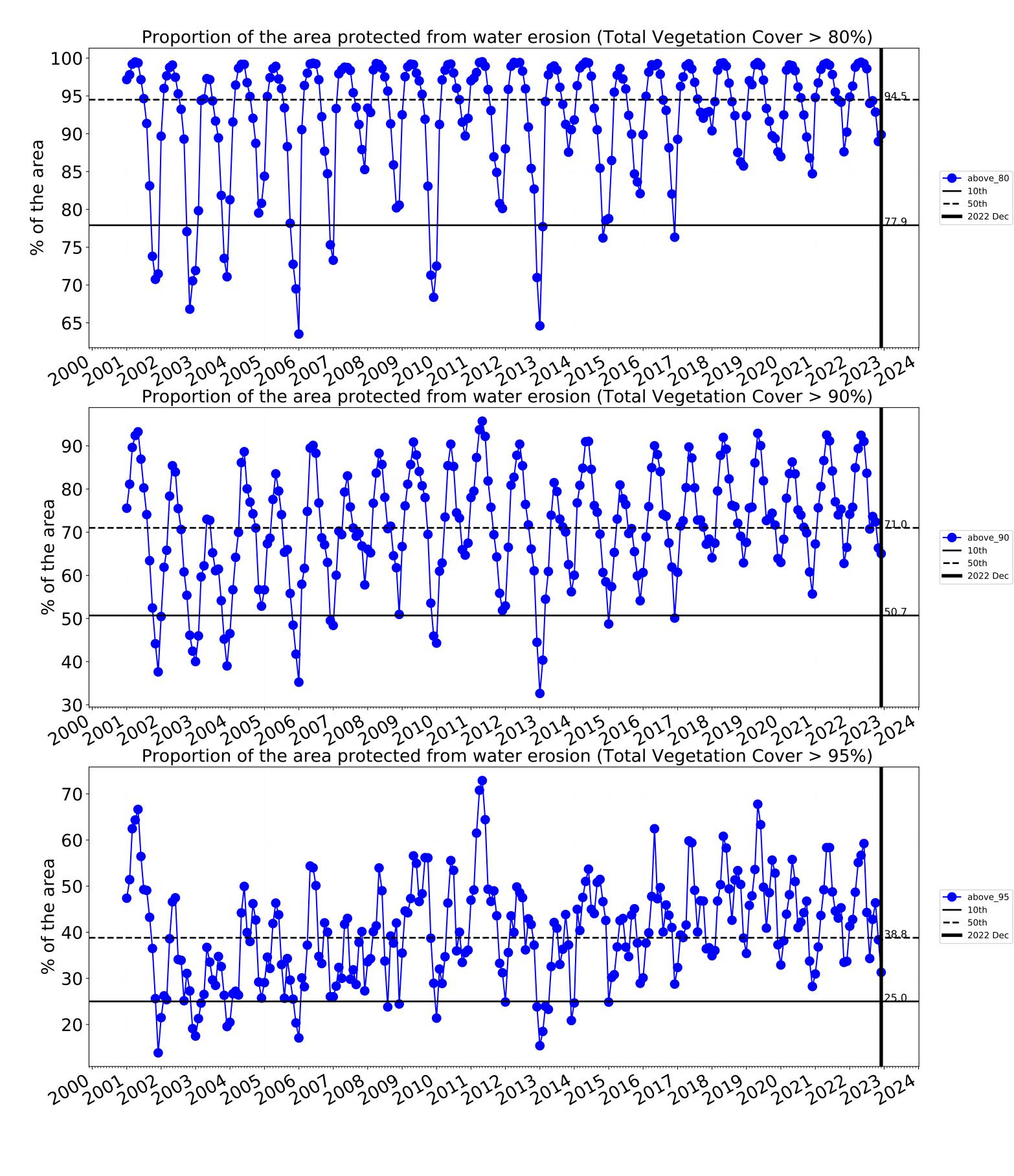


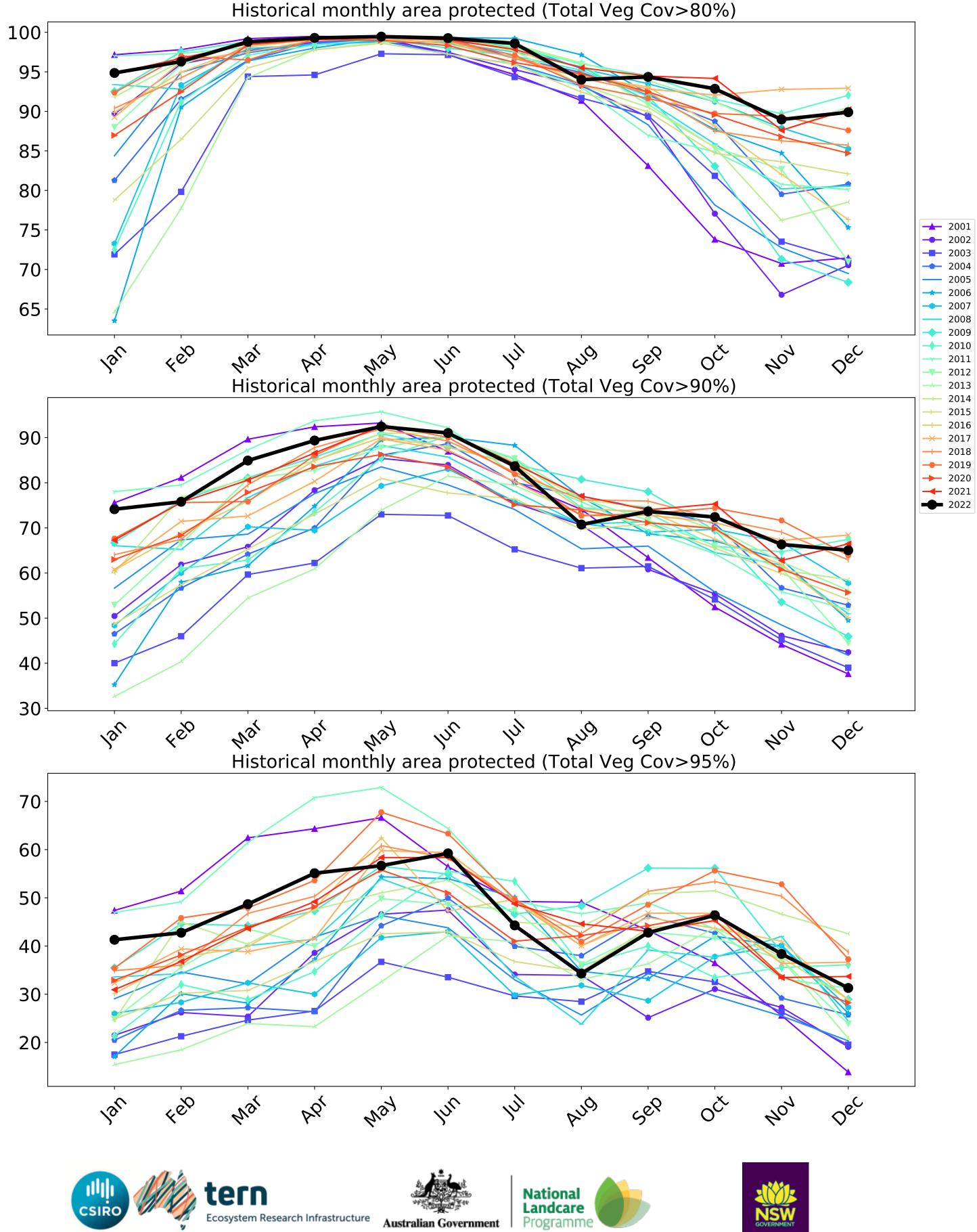
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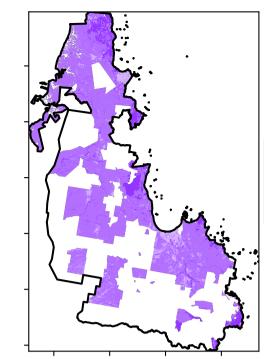






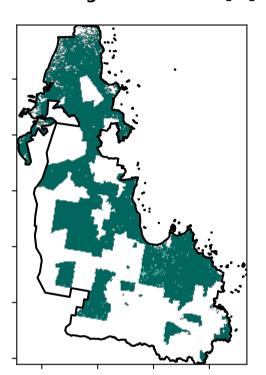
## **Conservation and natural environments**

#### Land use and forest cover

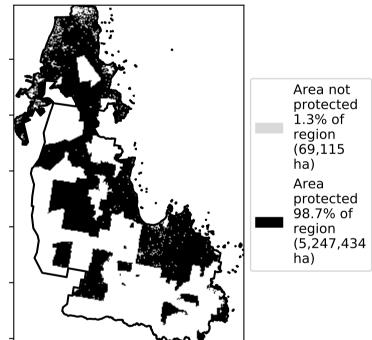


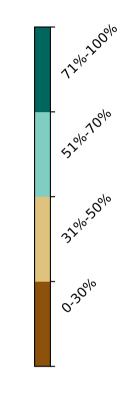
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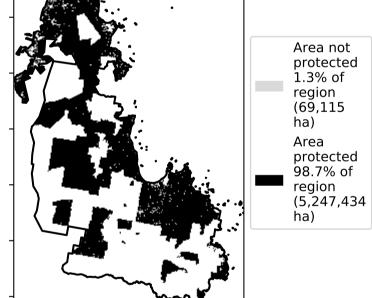
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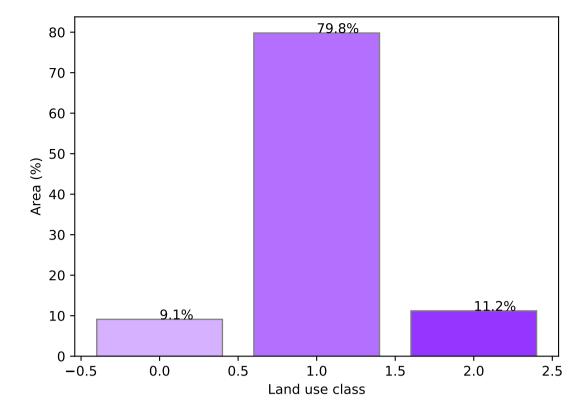






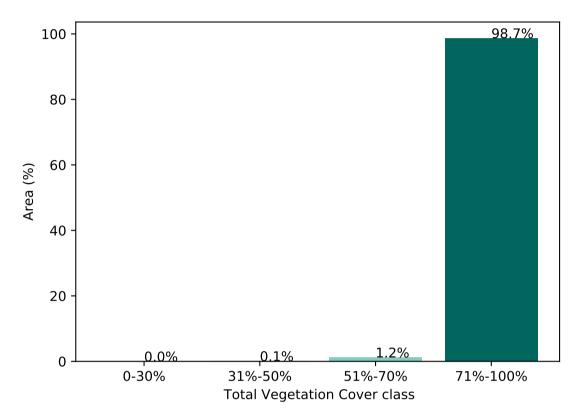




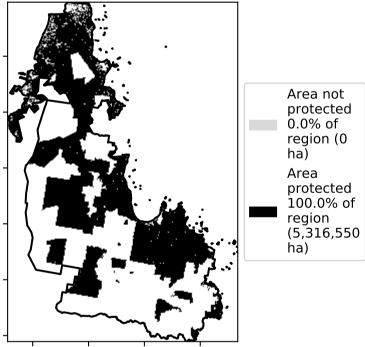


#### Proportion of each land class in area

#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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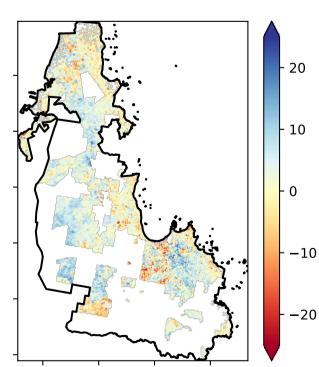
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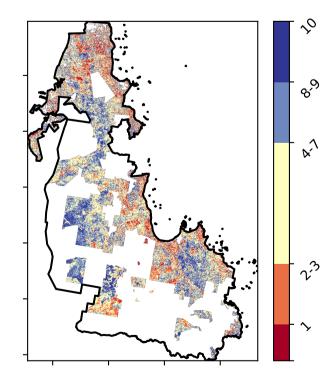
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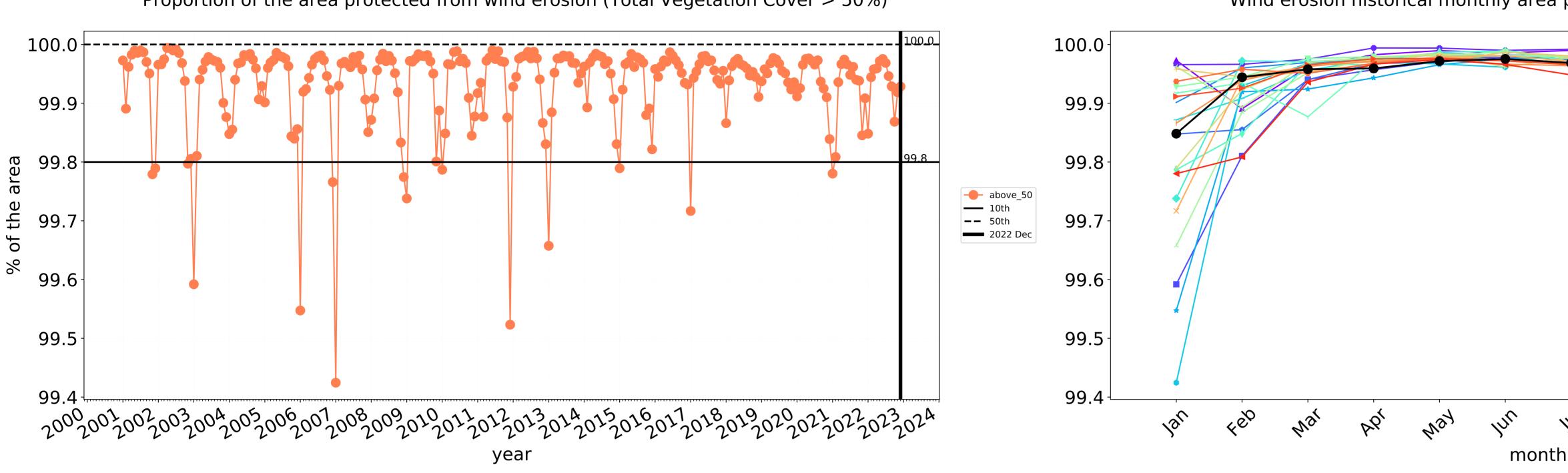
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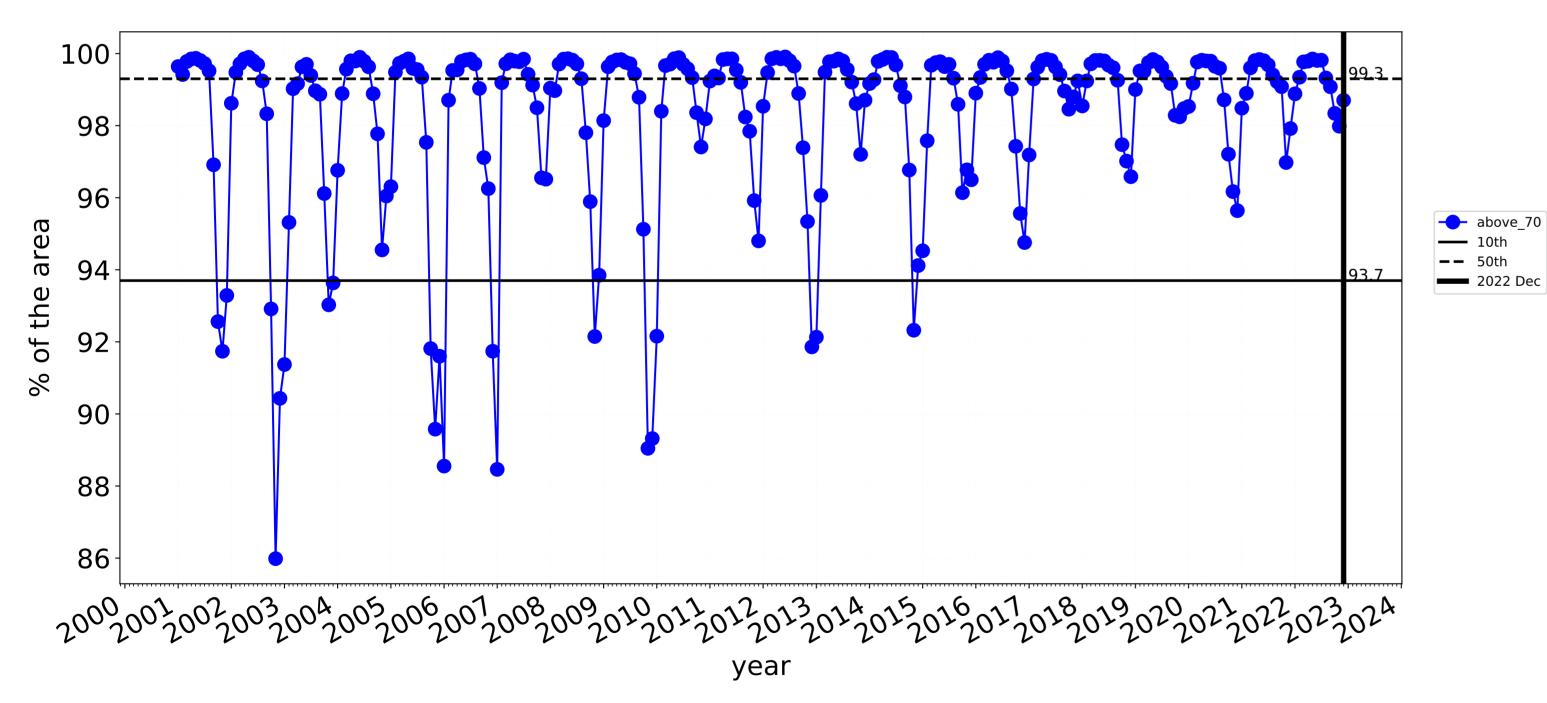


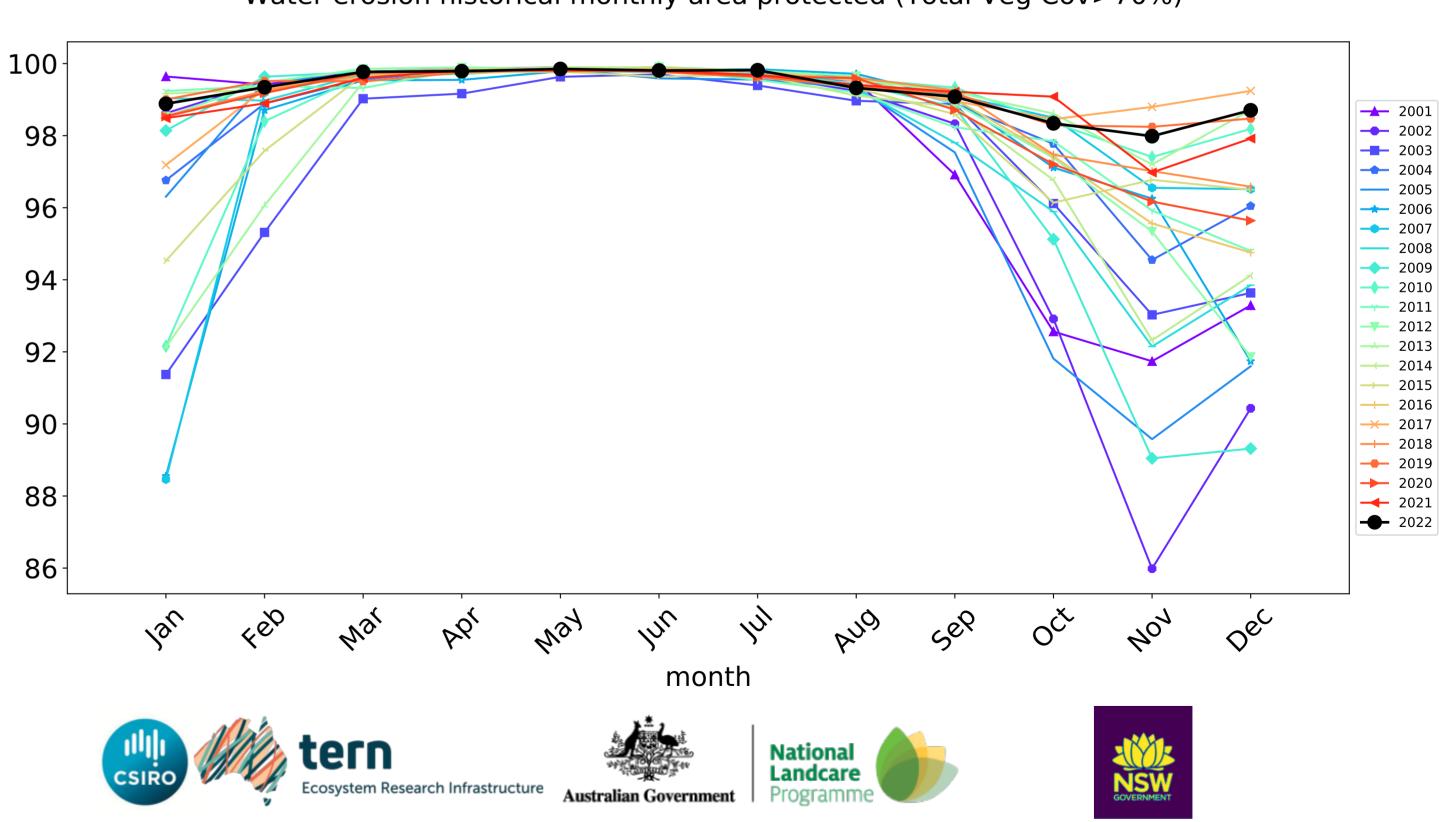




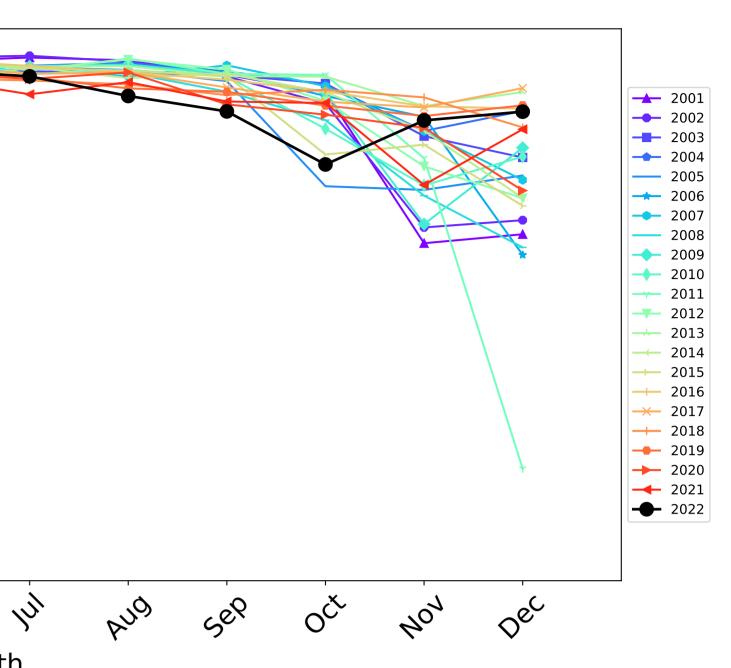
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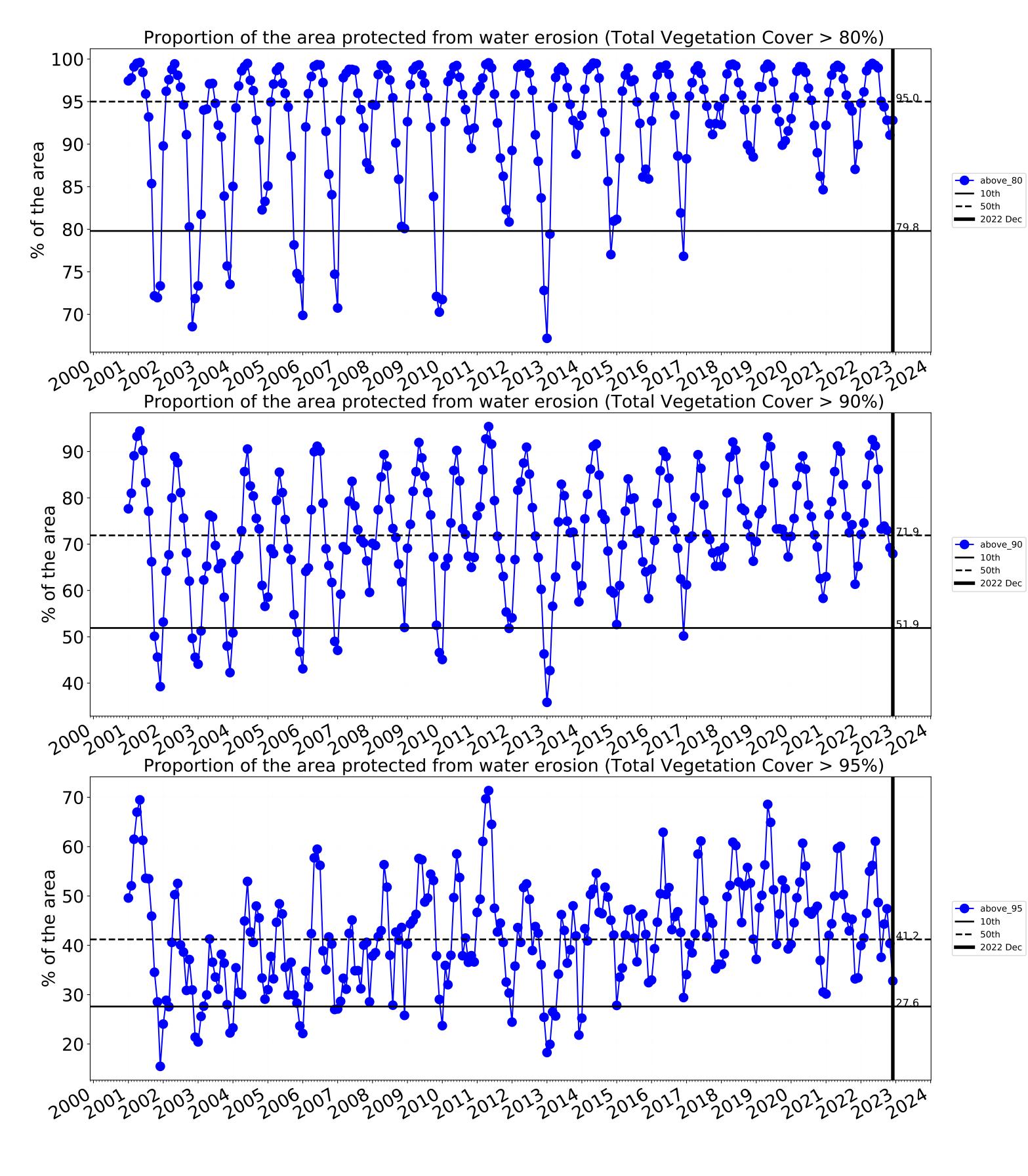


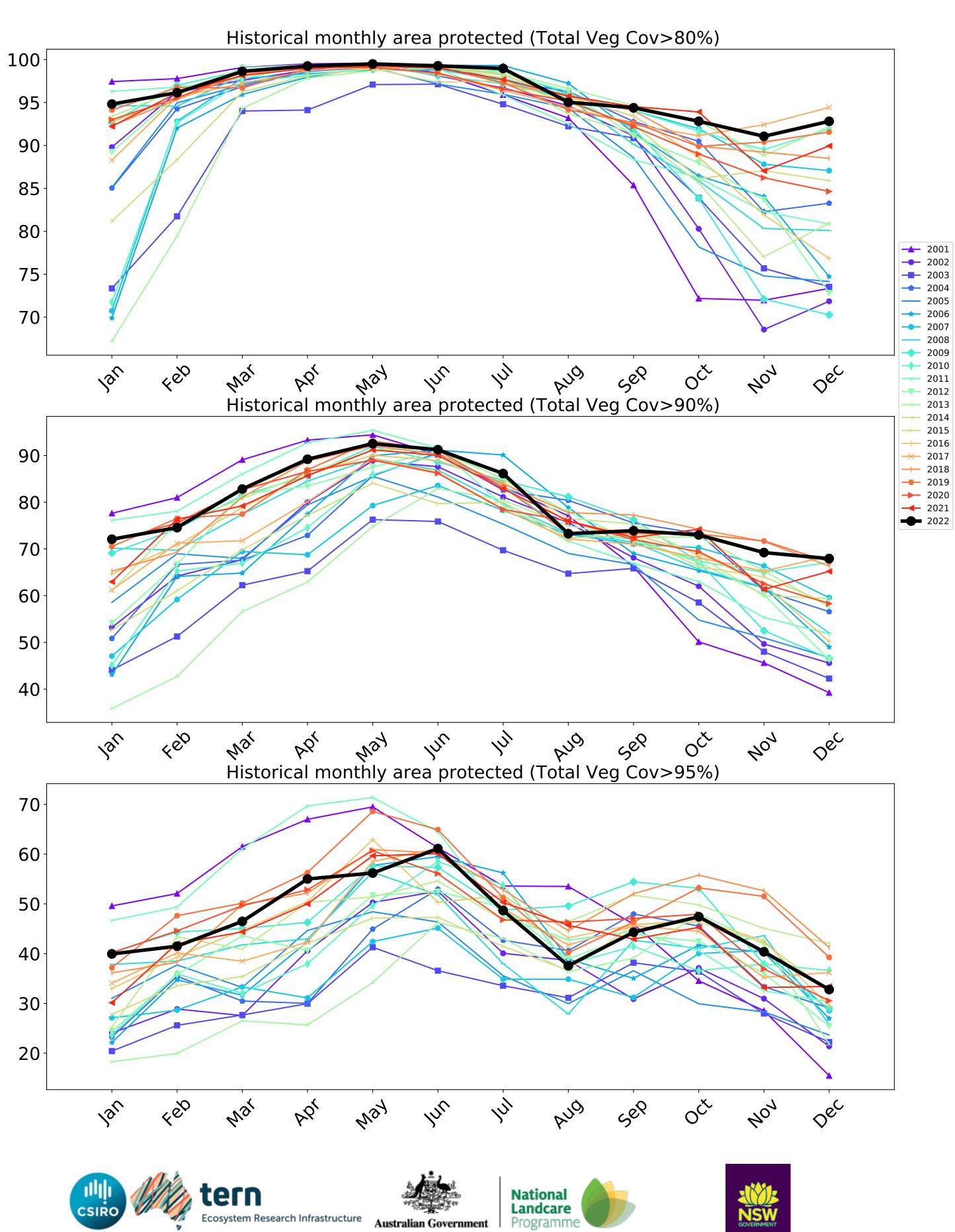


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



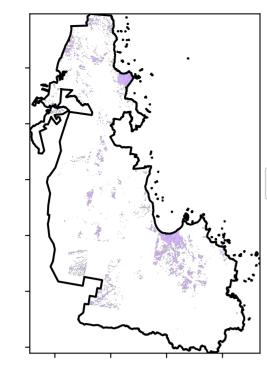
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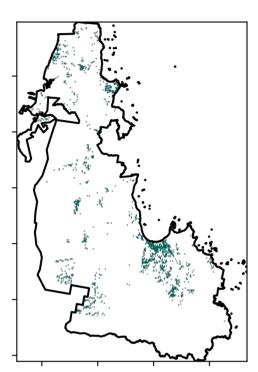
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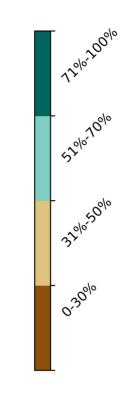
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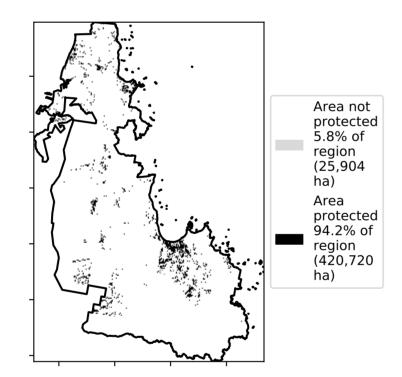
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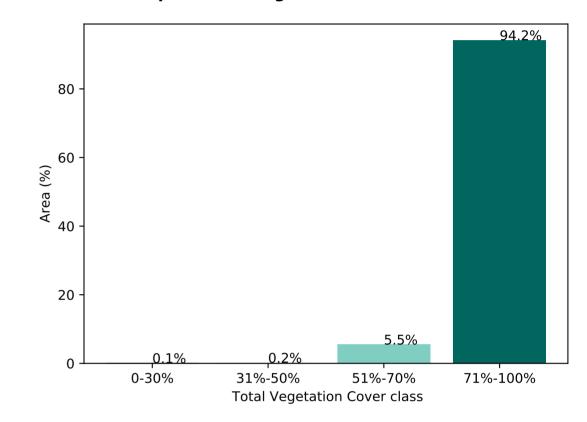




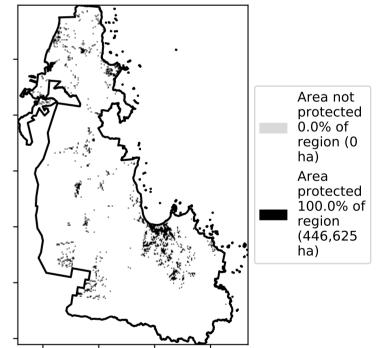
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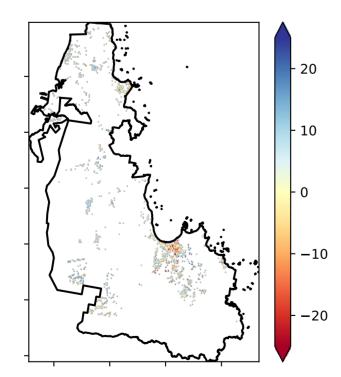
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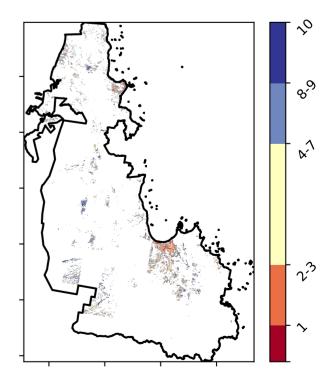
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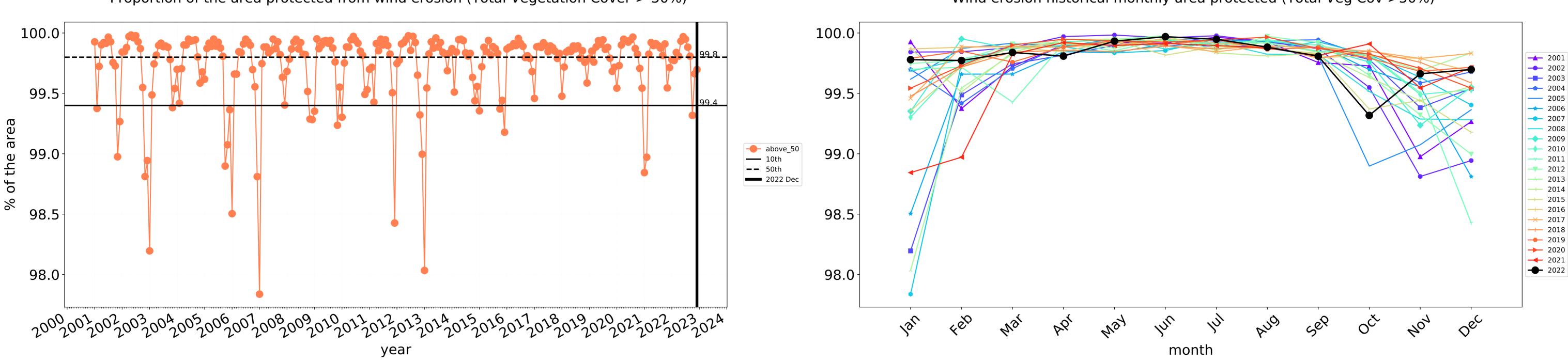


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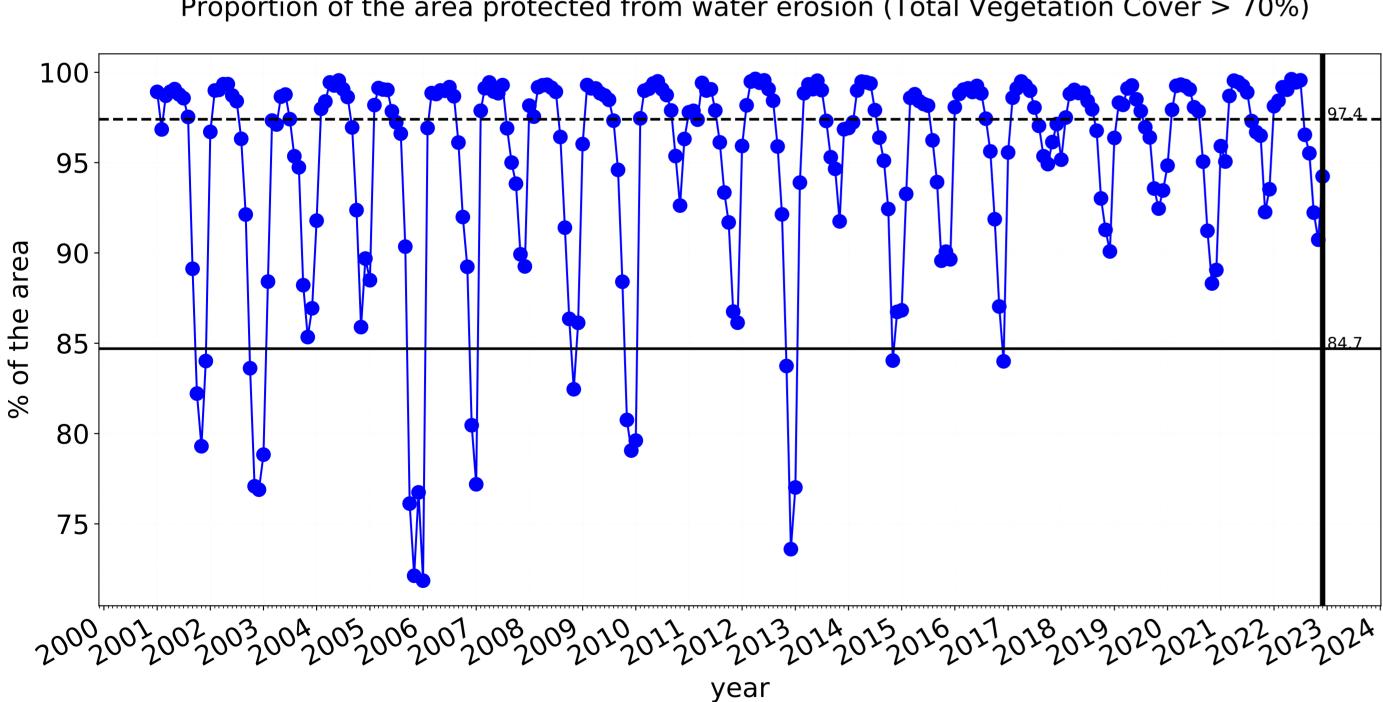








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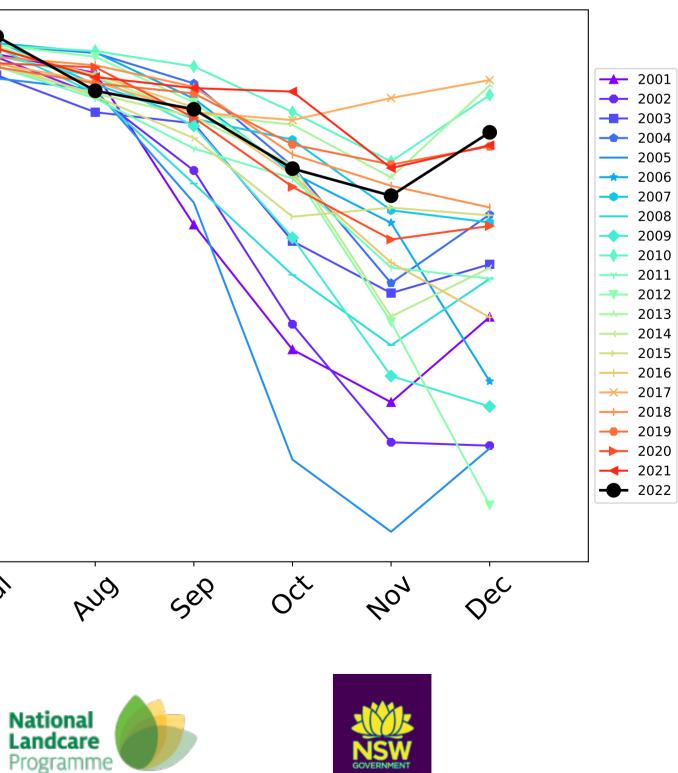
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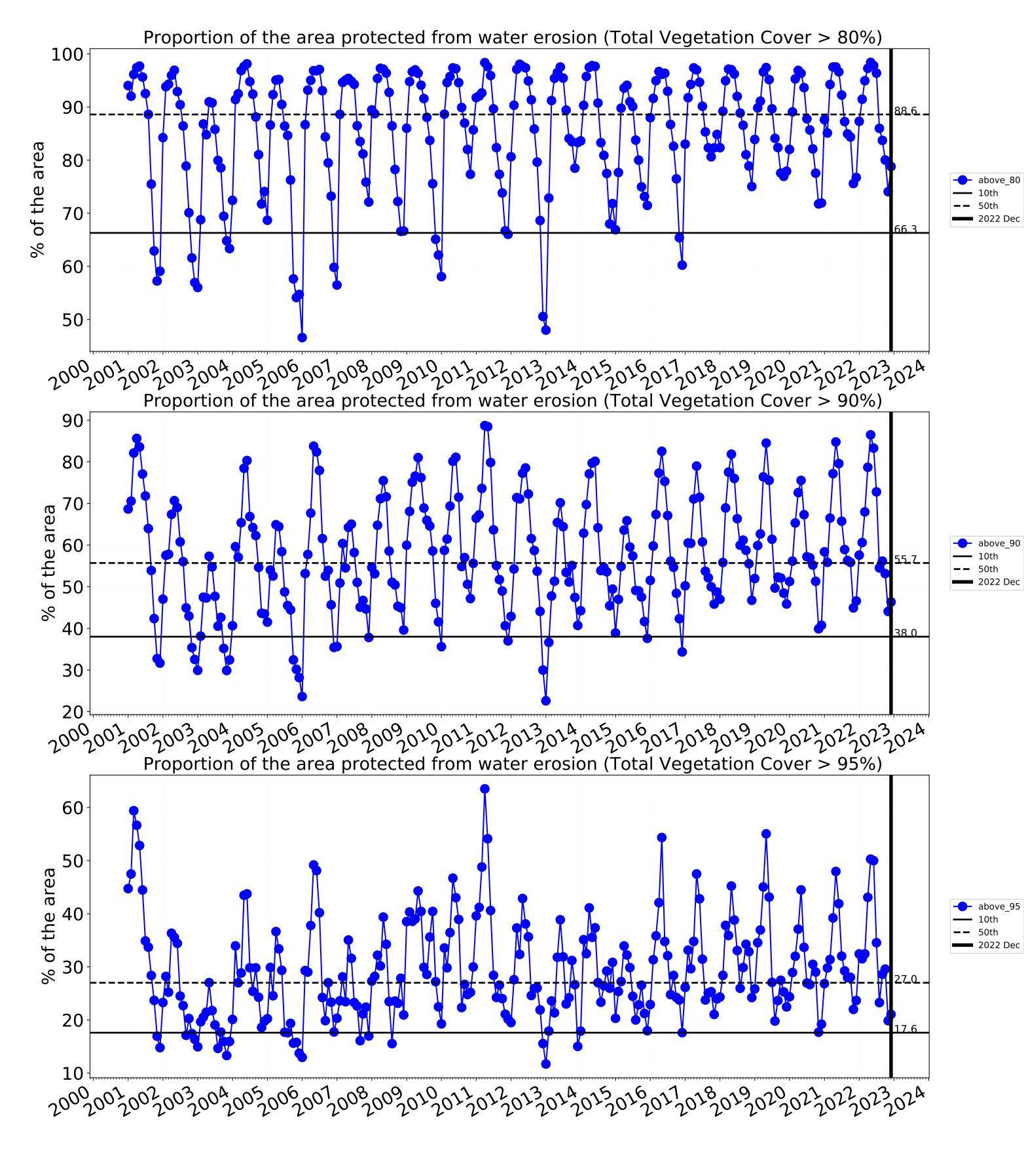
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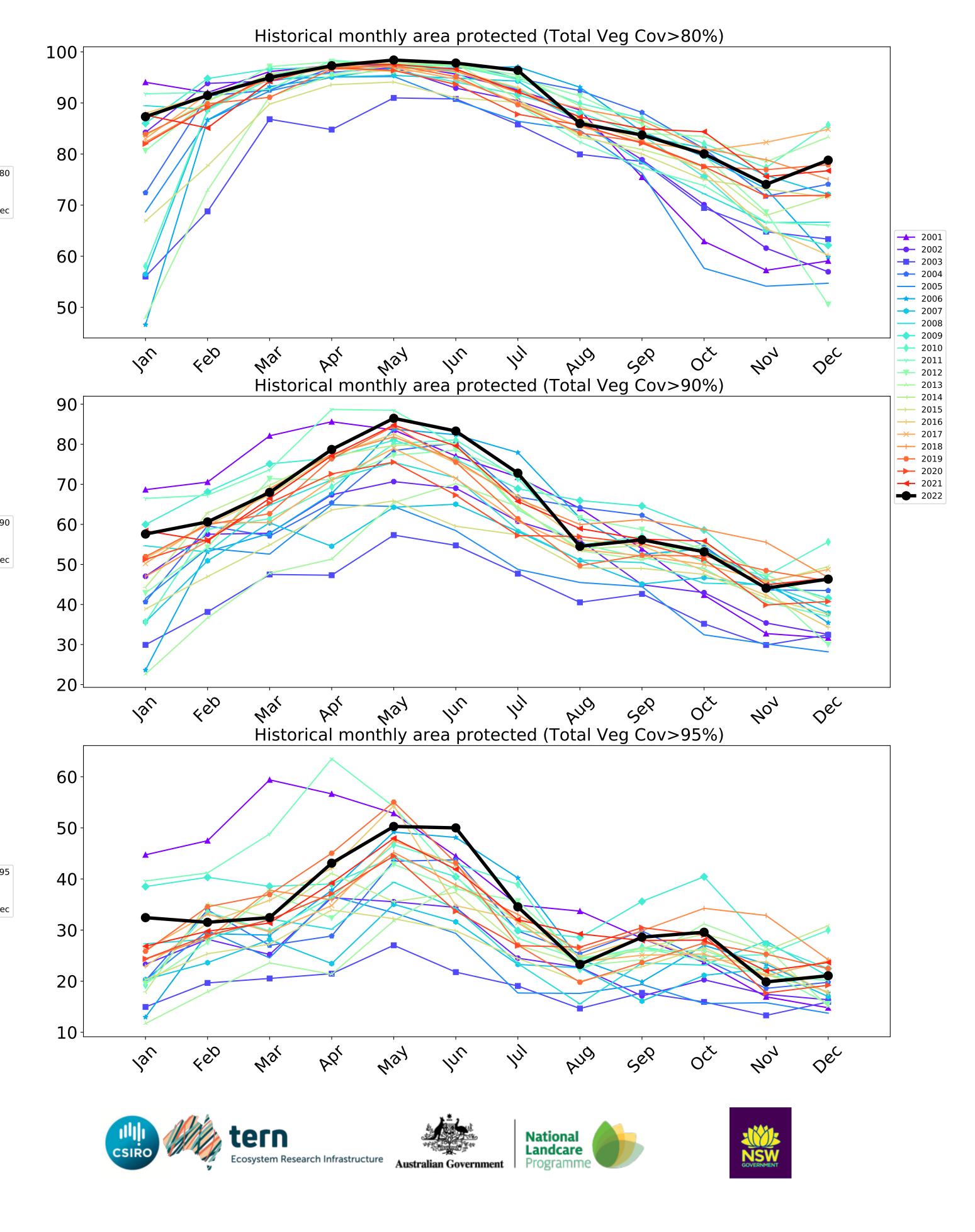
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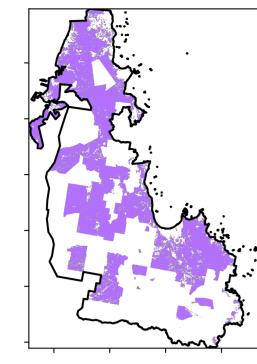






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Land use and forest cover



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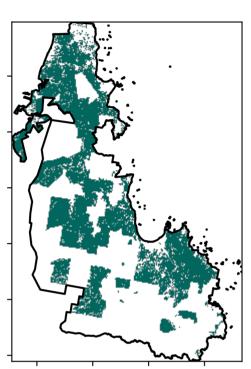
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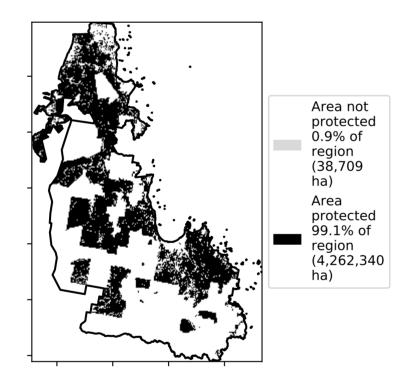
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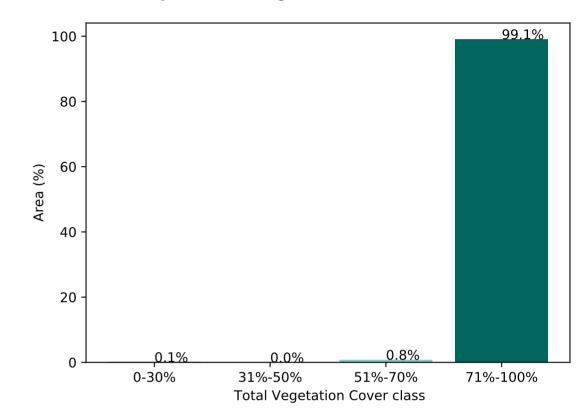
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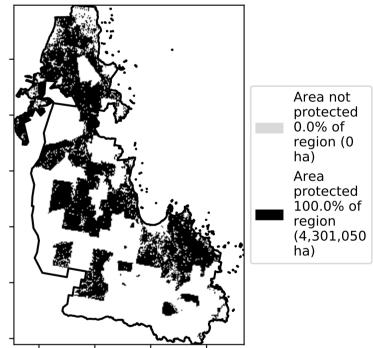
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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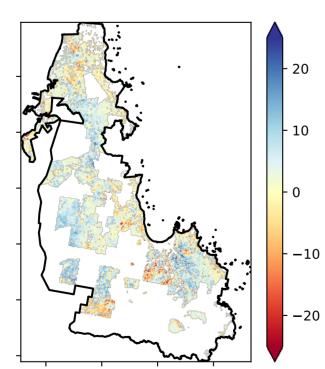
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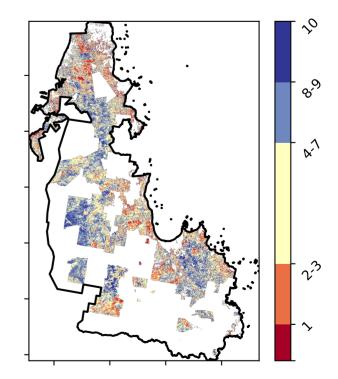
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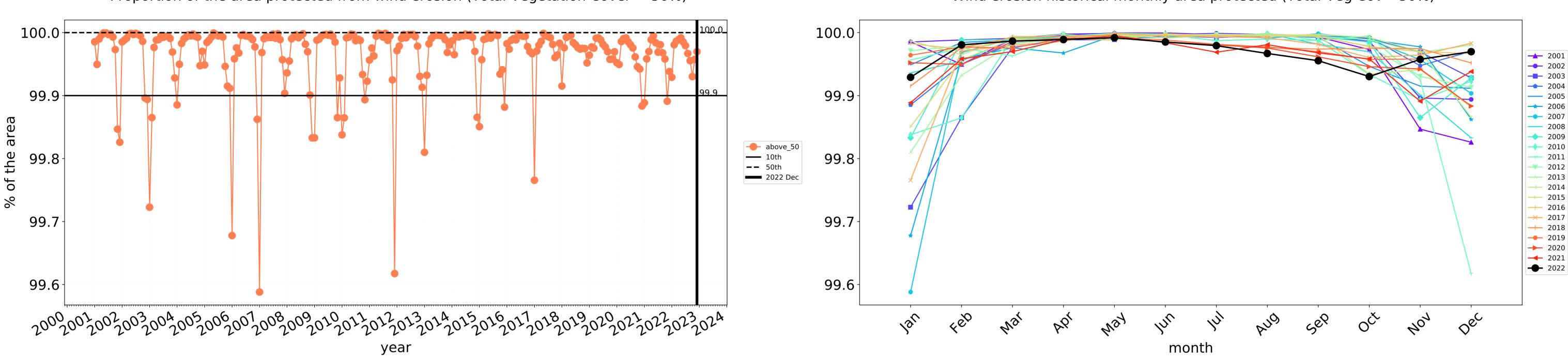
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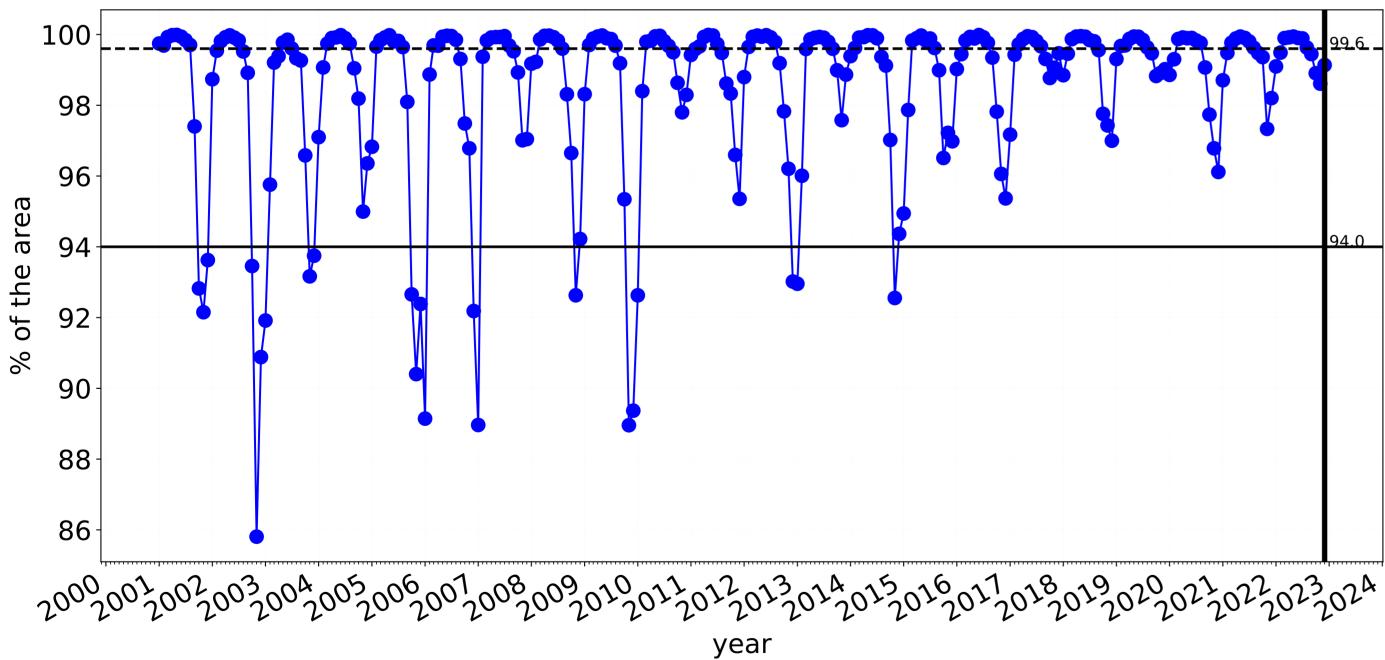






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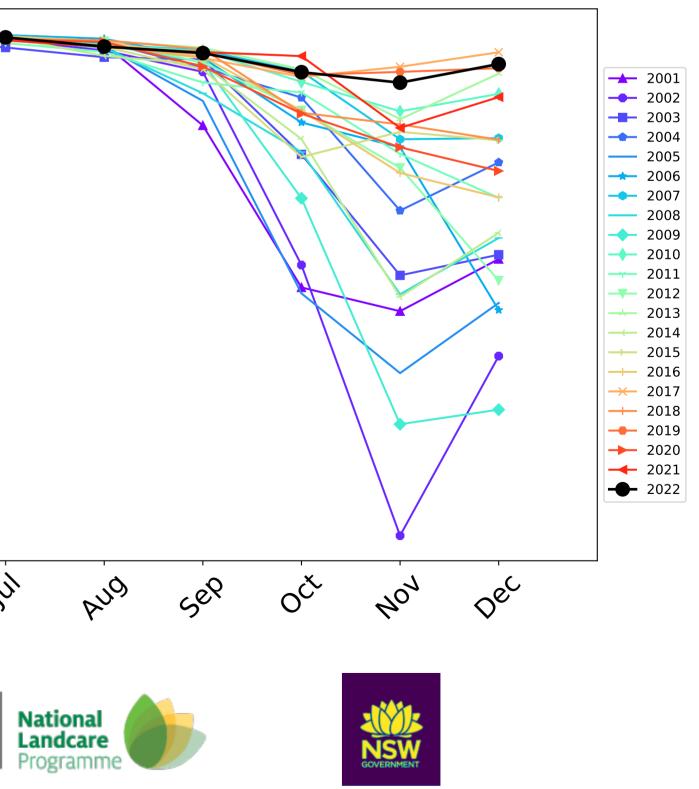


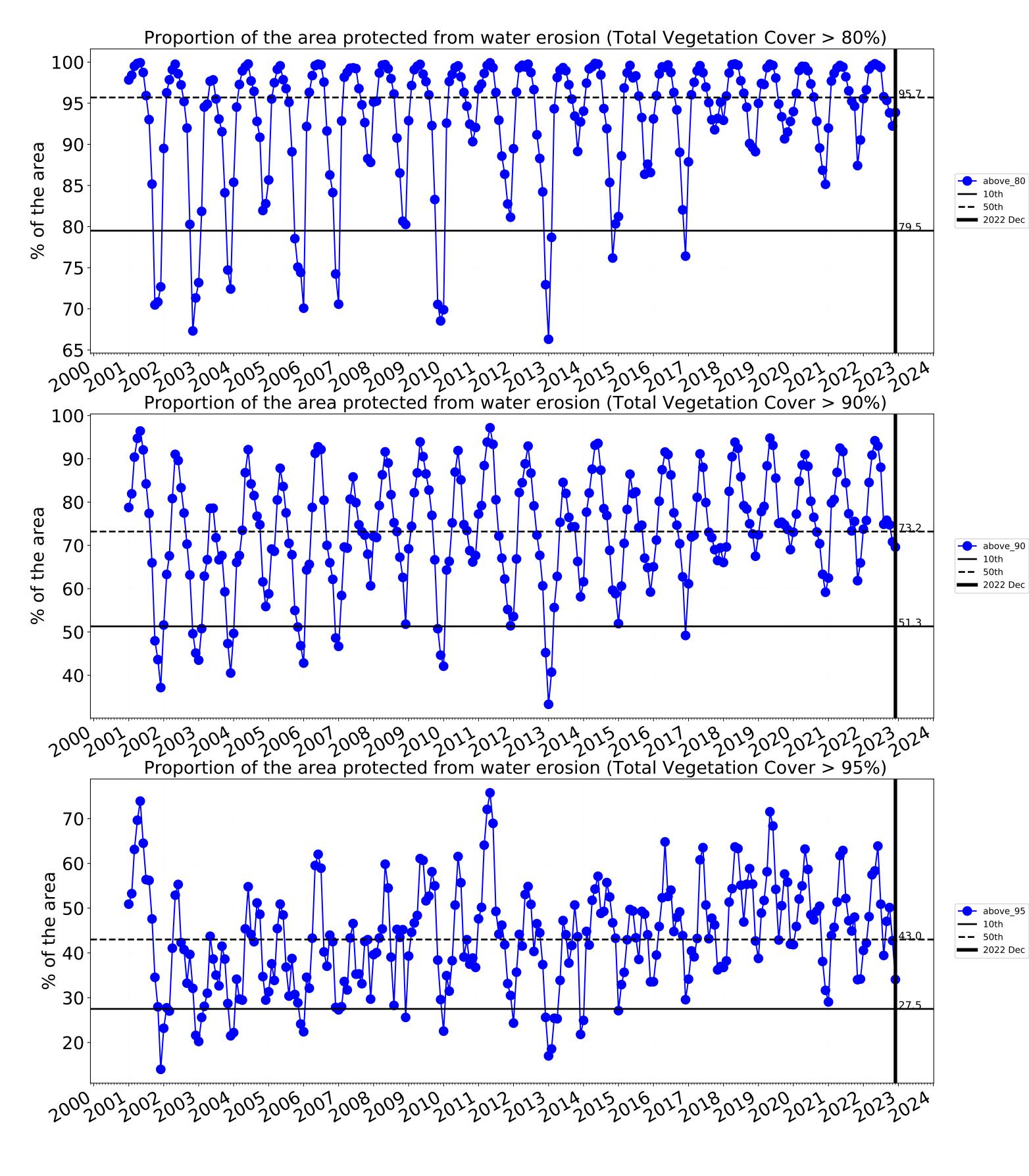


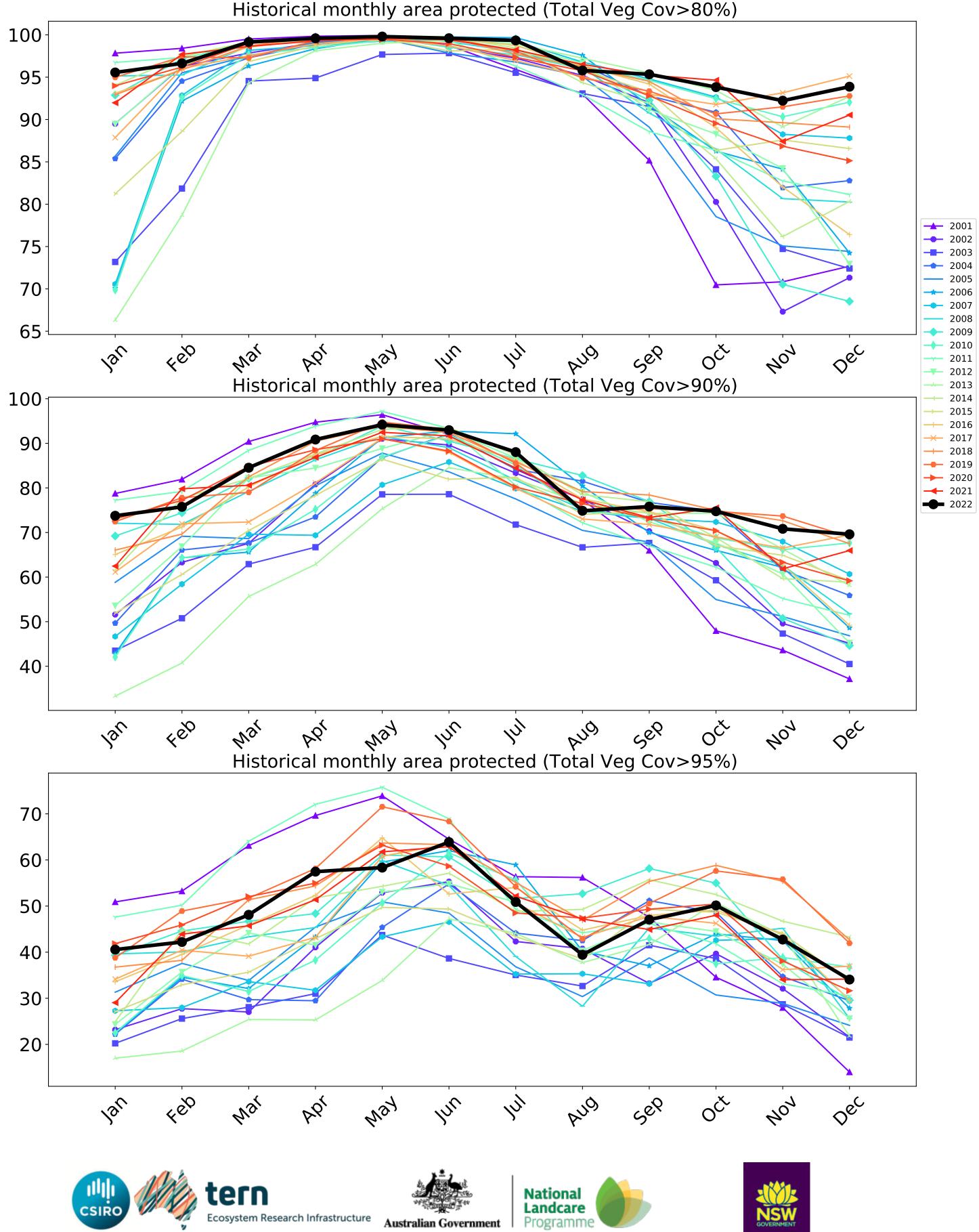
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Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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





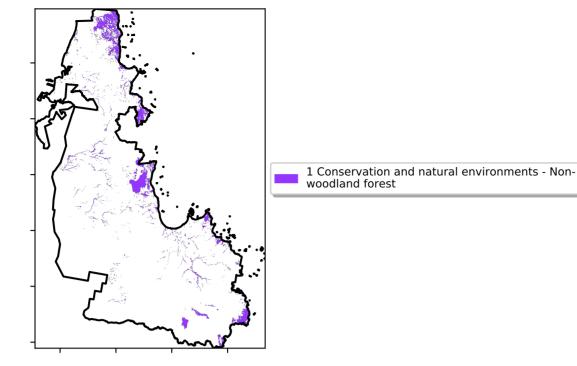




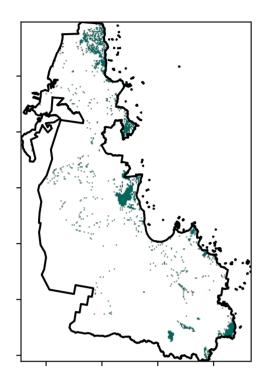
## **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

Land use and forest cover

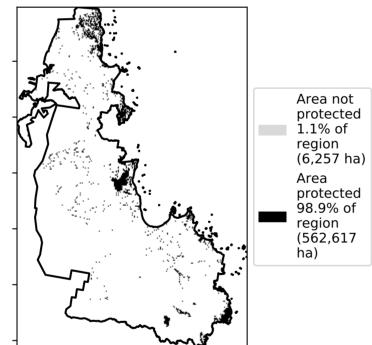
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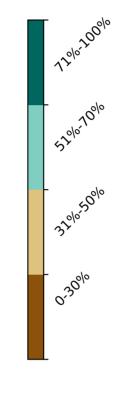


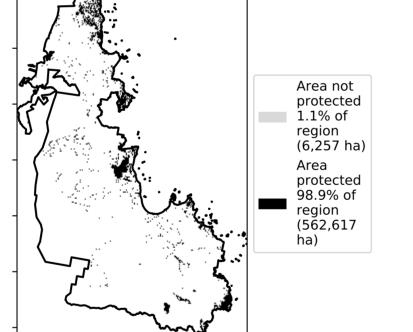
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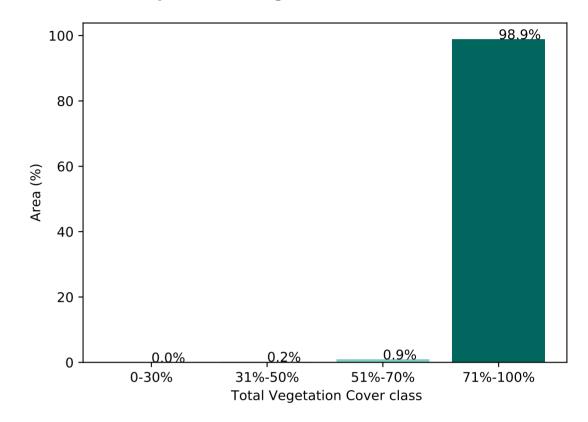
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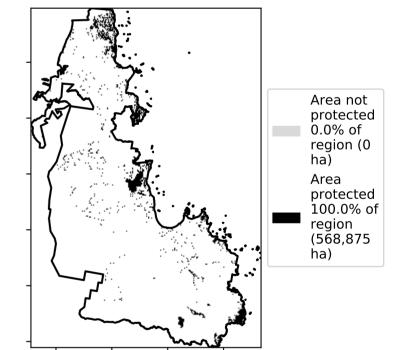




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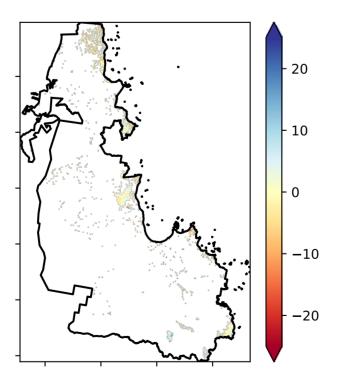


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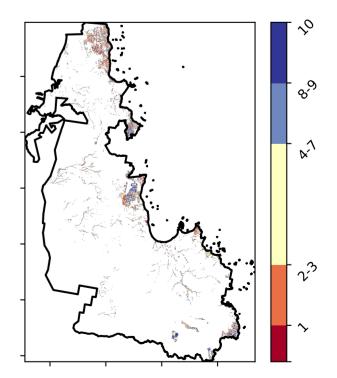
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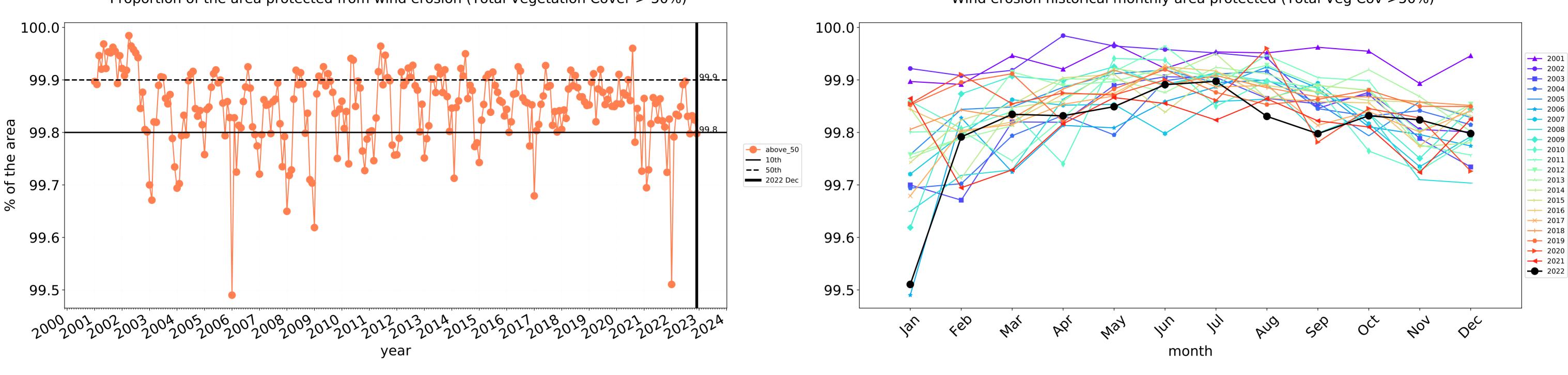
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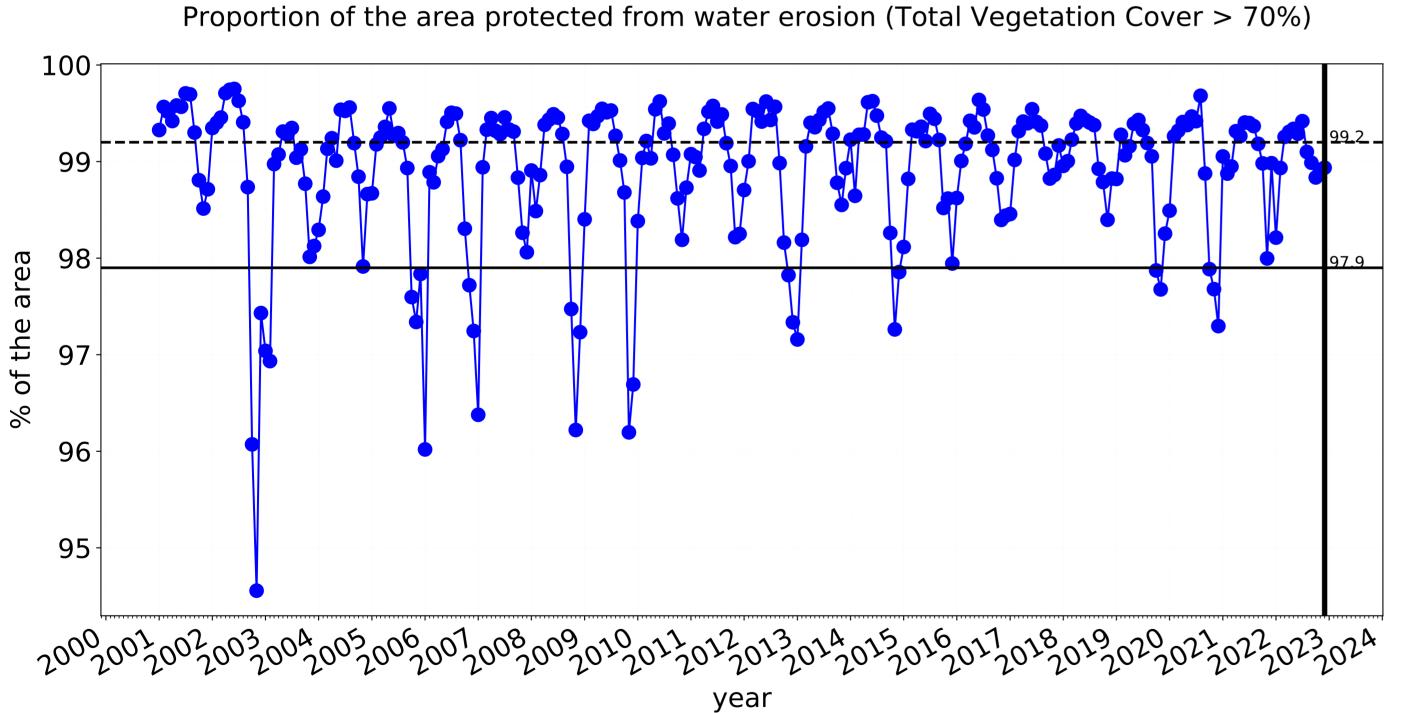


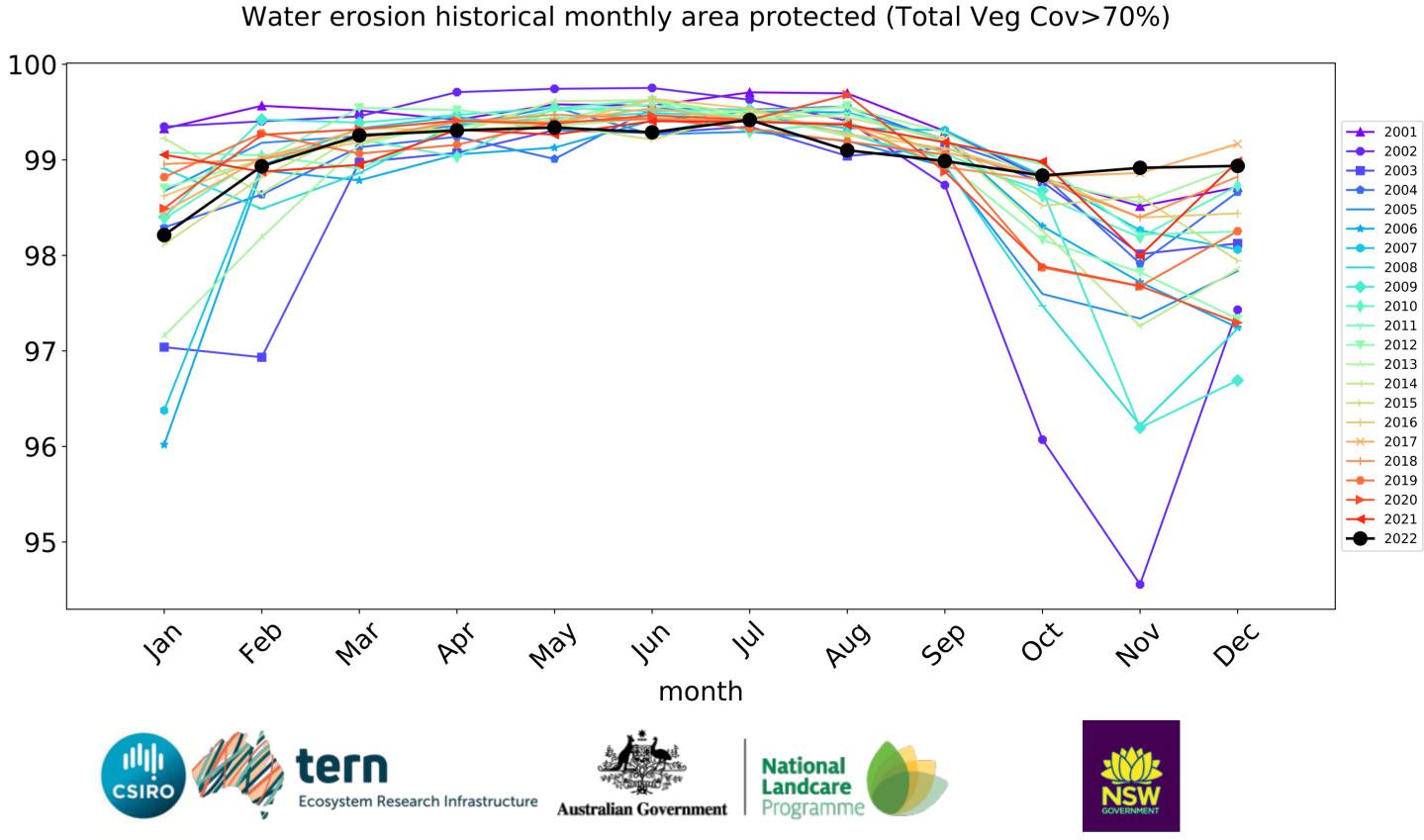
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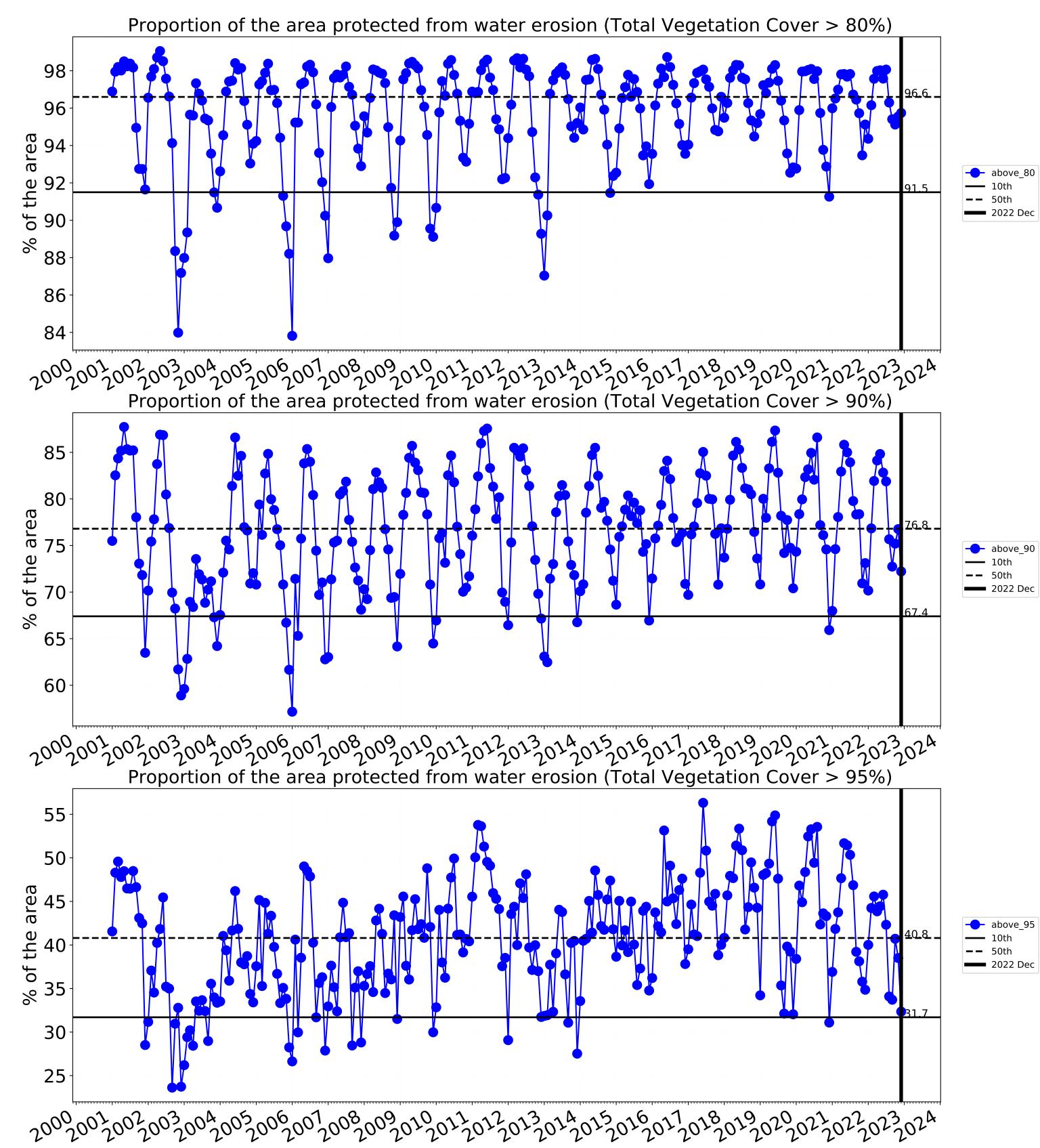
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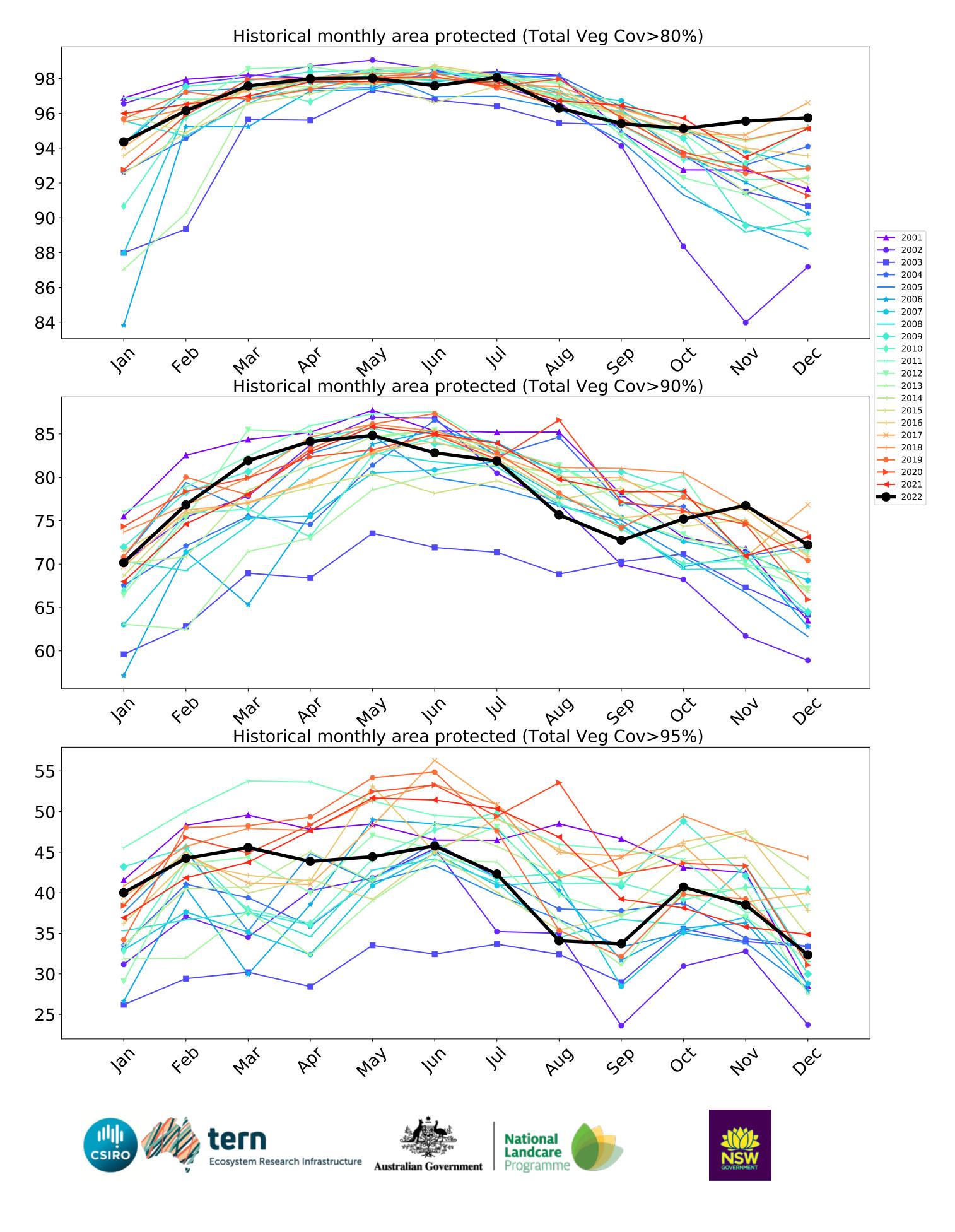
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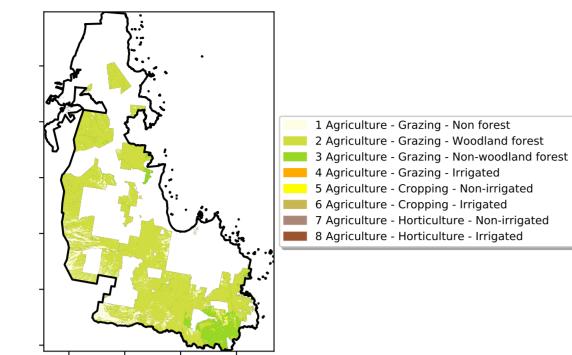
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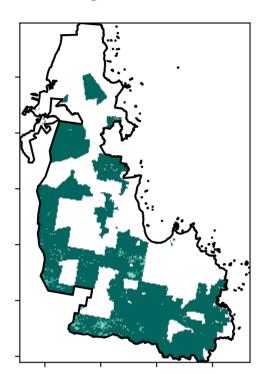


## Agriculture

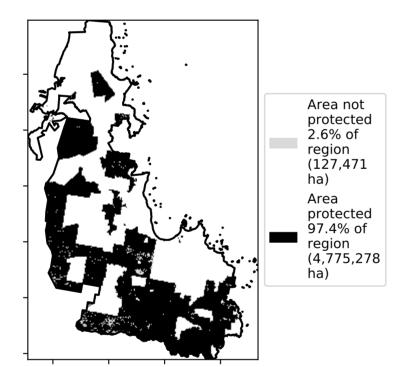
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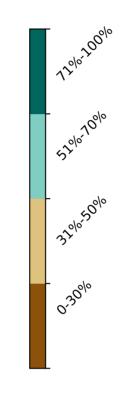


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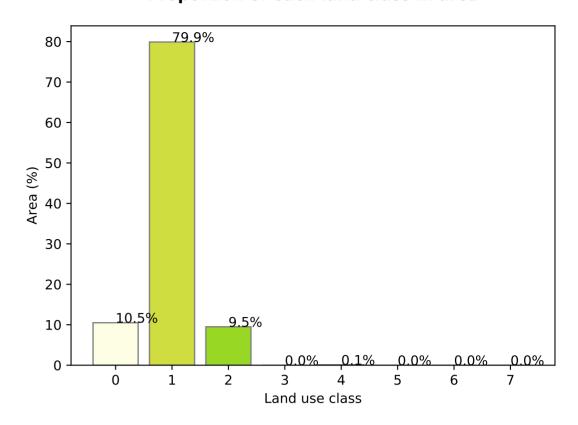
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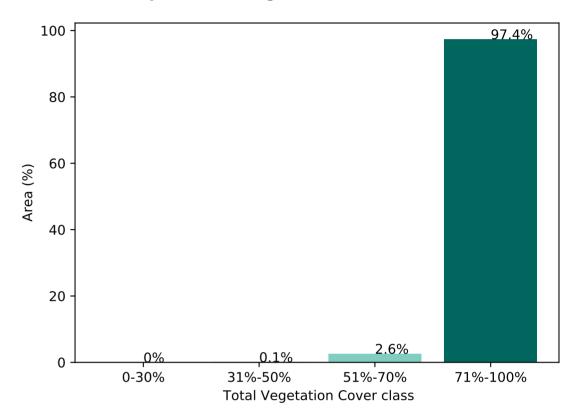
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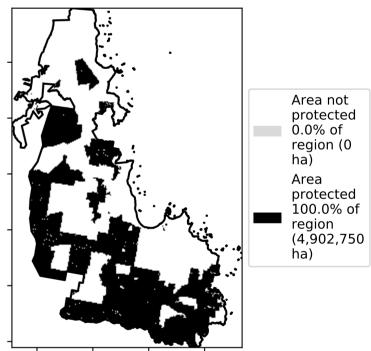
## Proportion of each land class in area



#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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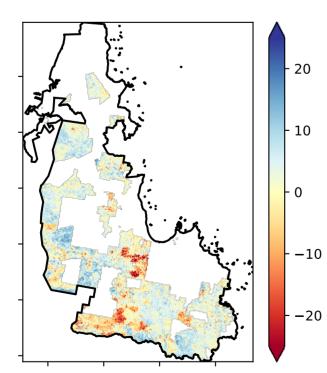
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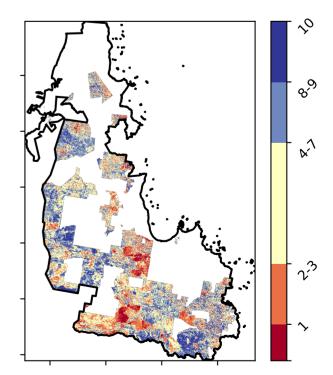
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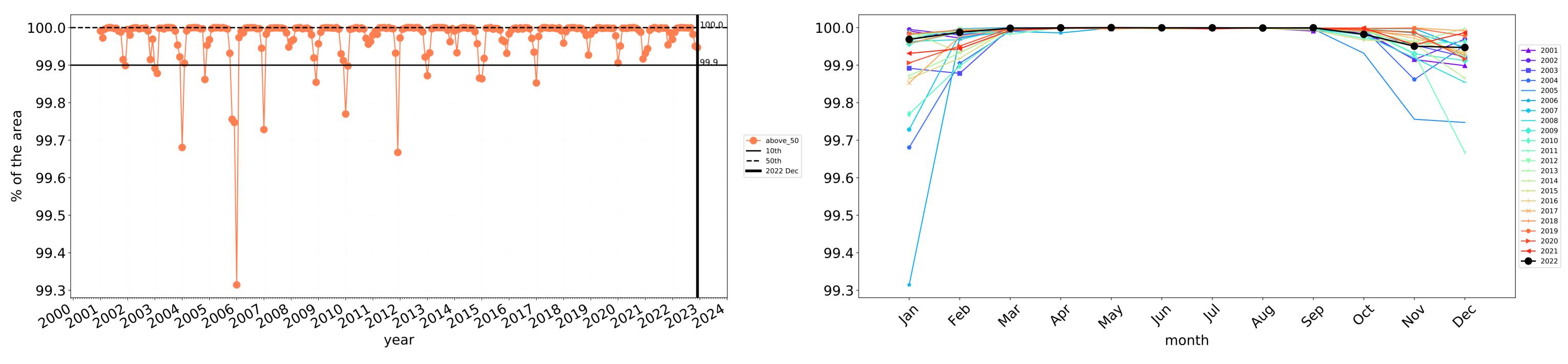
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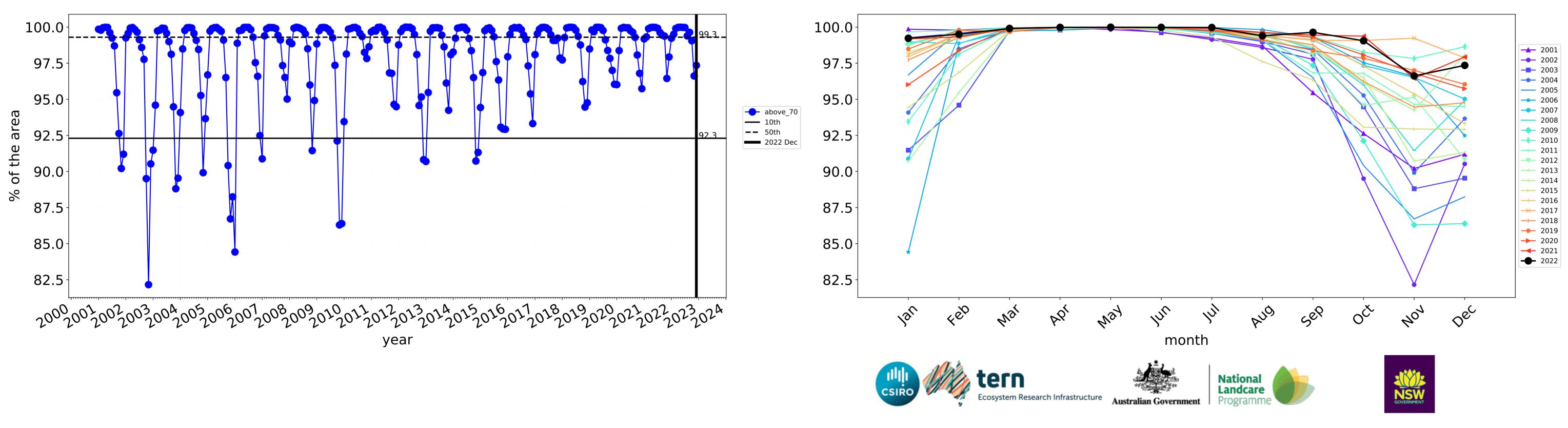




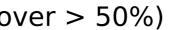


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



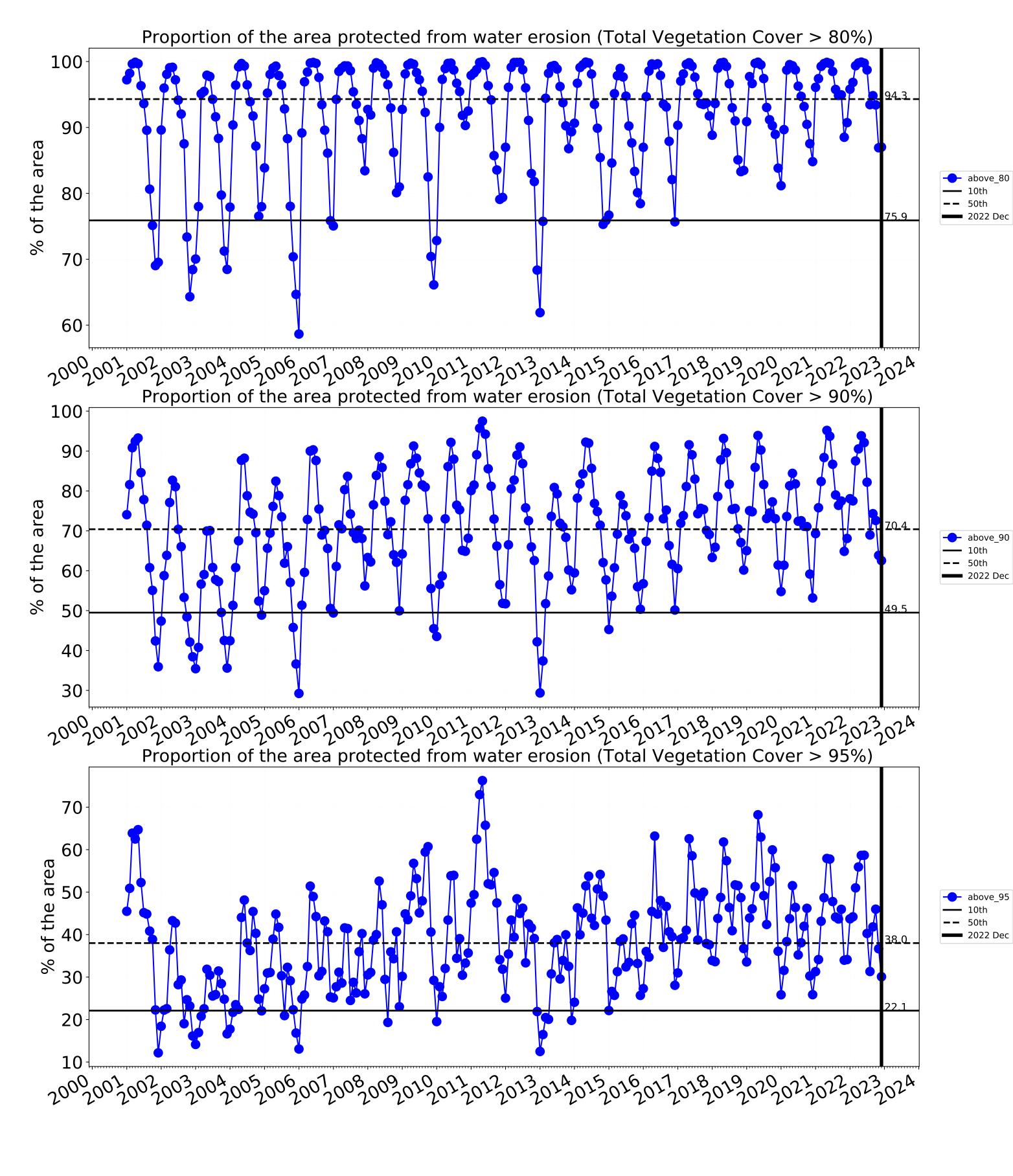


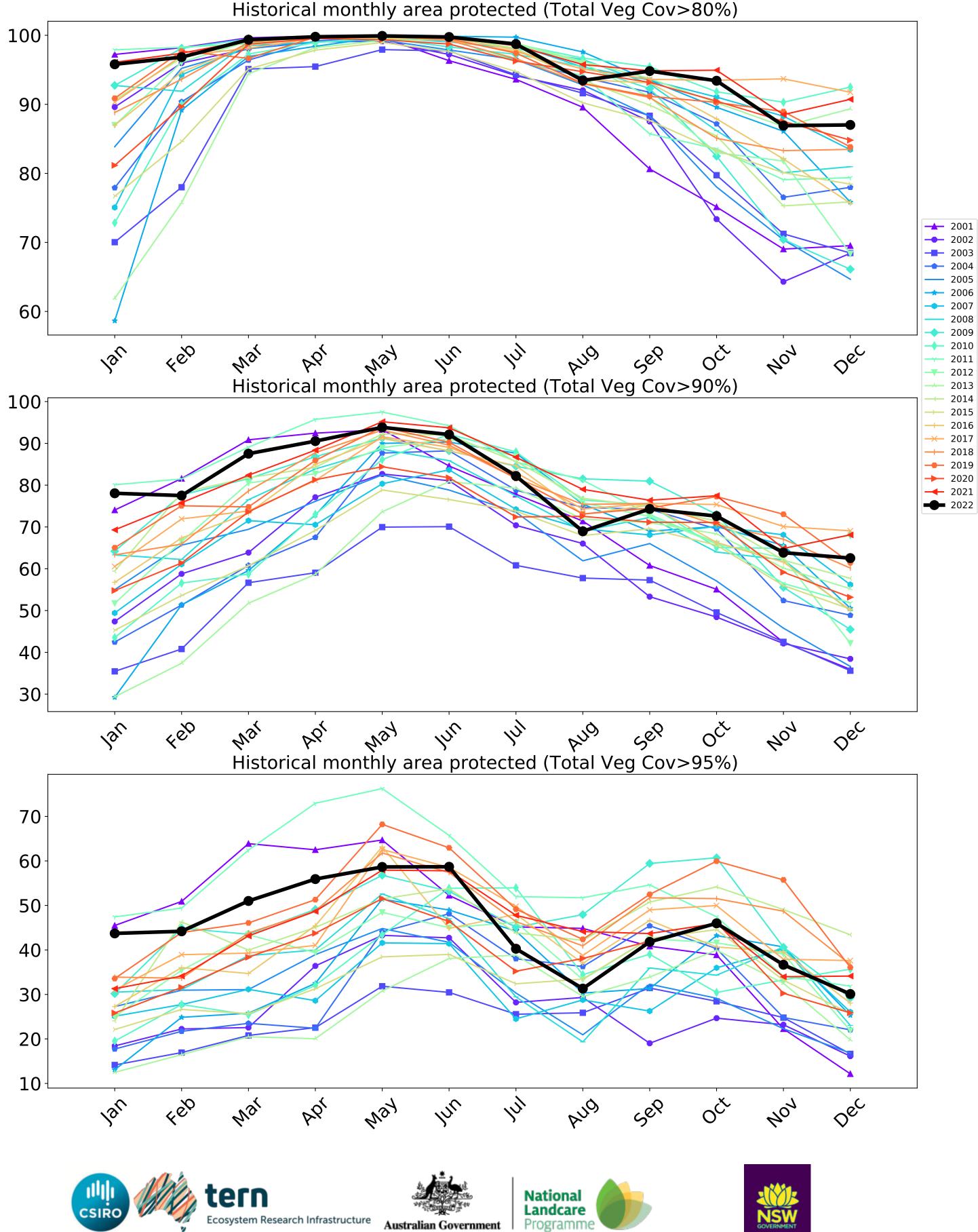
## Agriculture timeseries



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



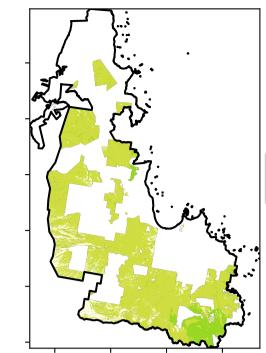




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## Grazing

Land use and forest cover



1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest 2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest 3 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest

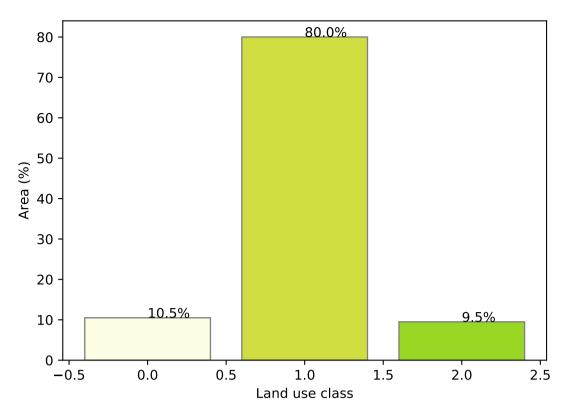
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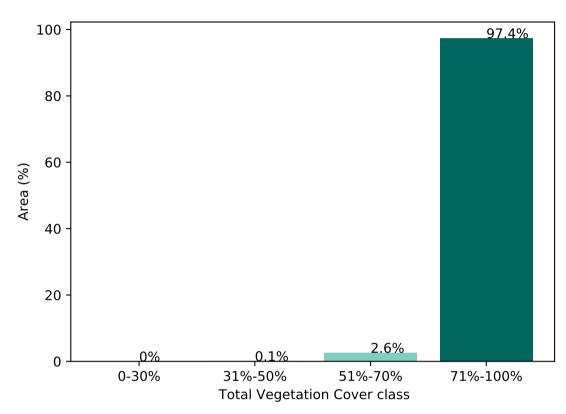
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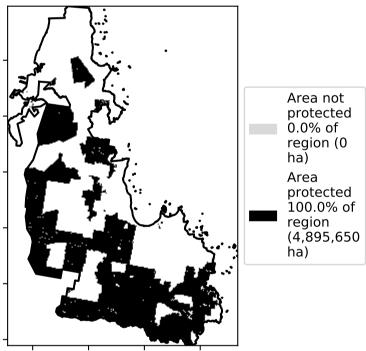
#### Proportion of each land class in area



#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

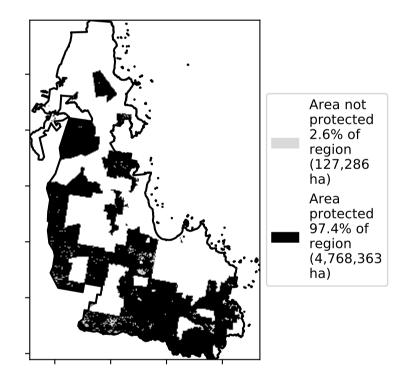


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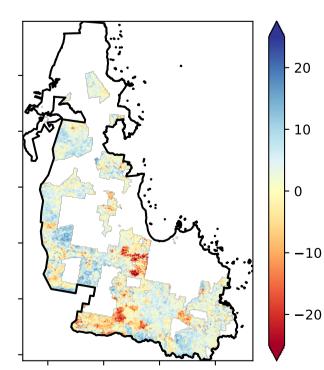
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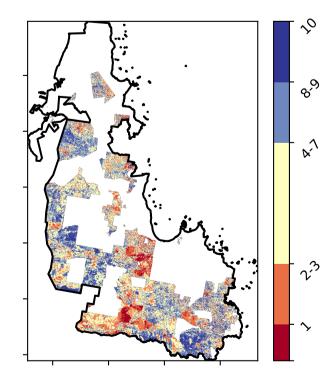


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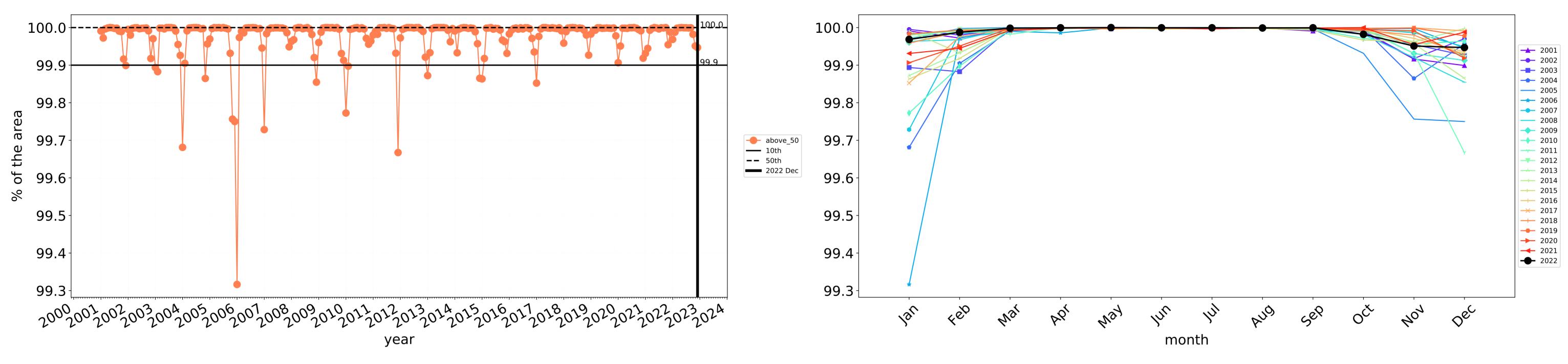
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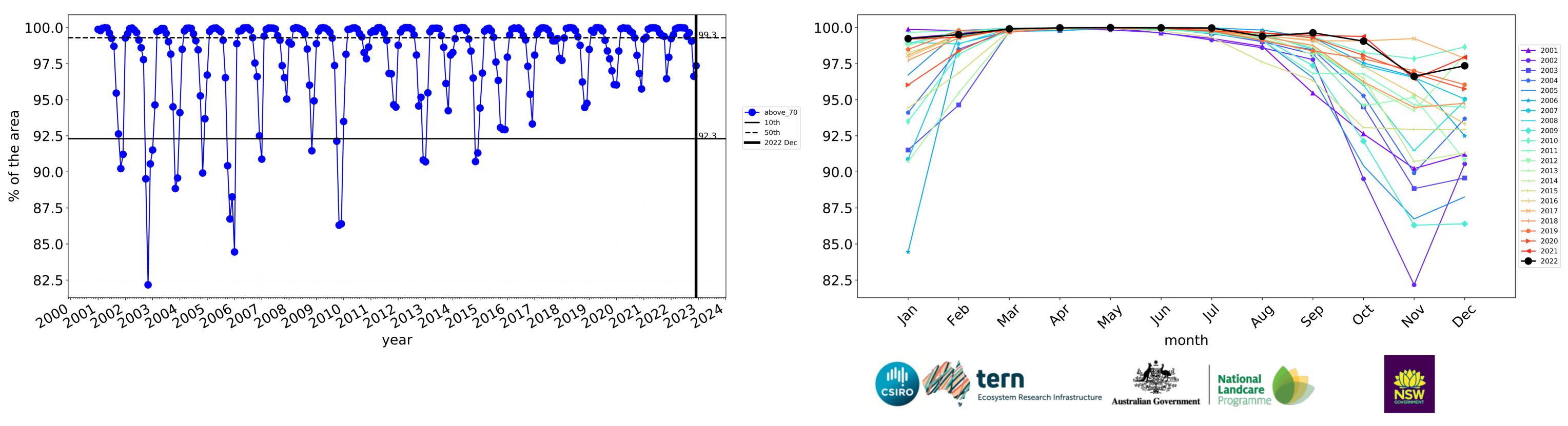


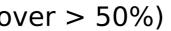




Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

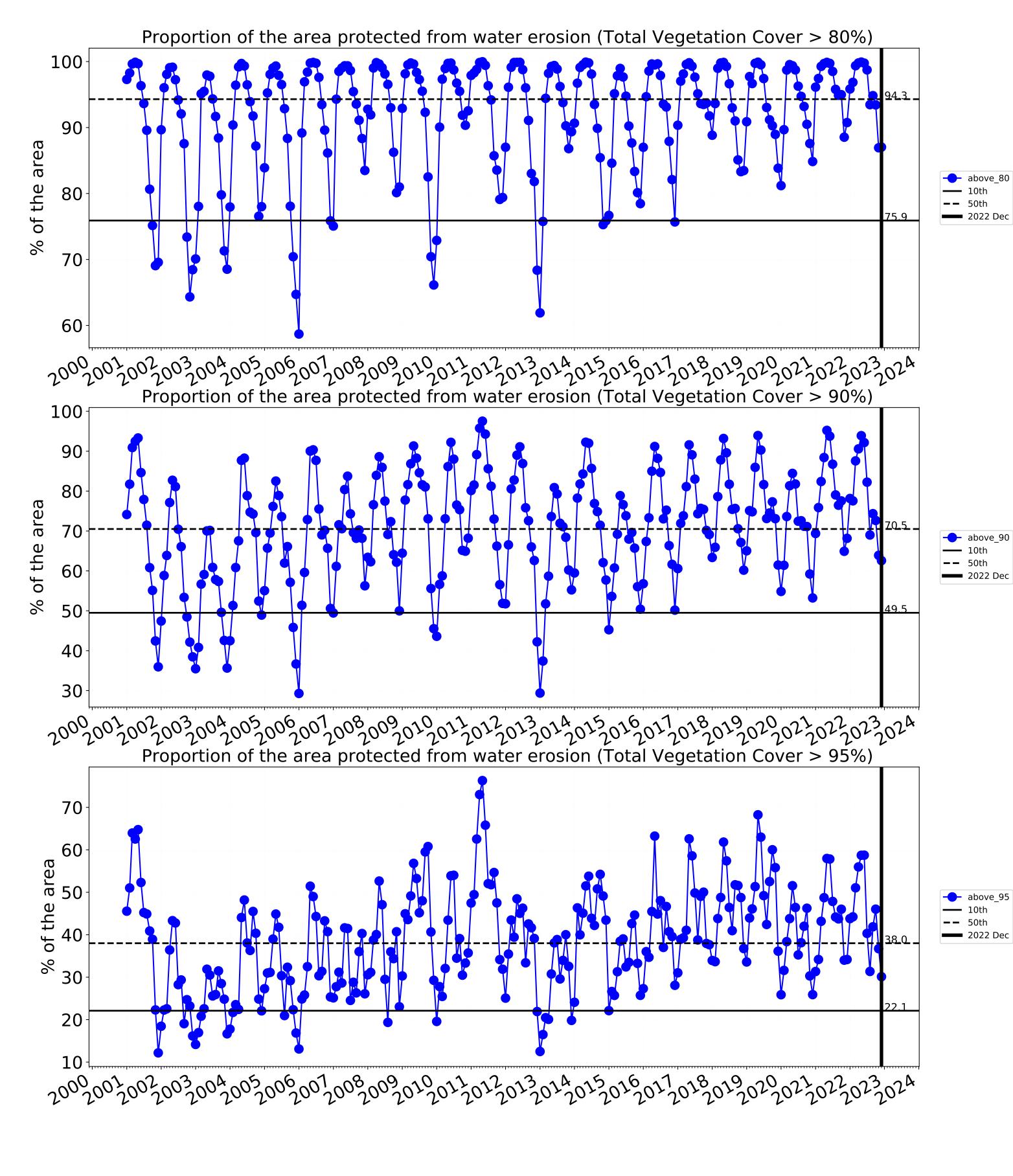
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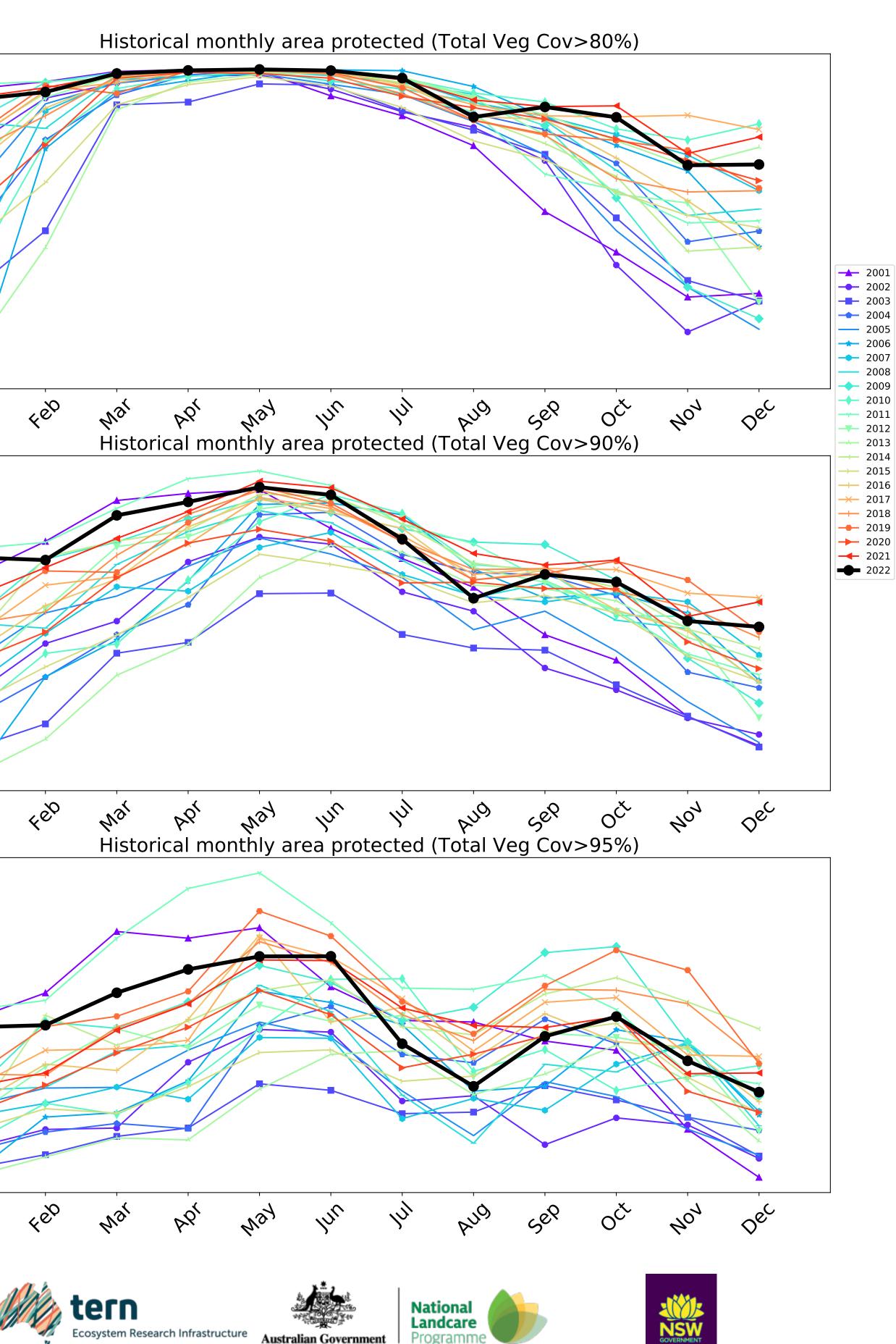


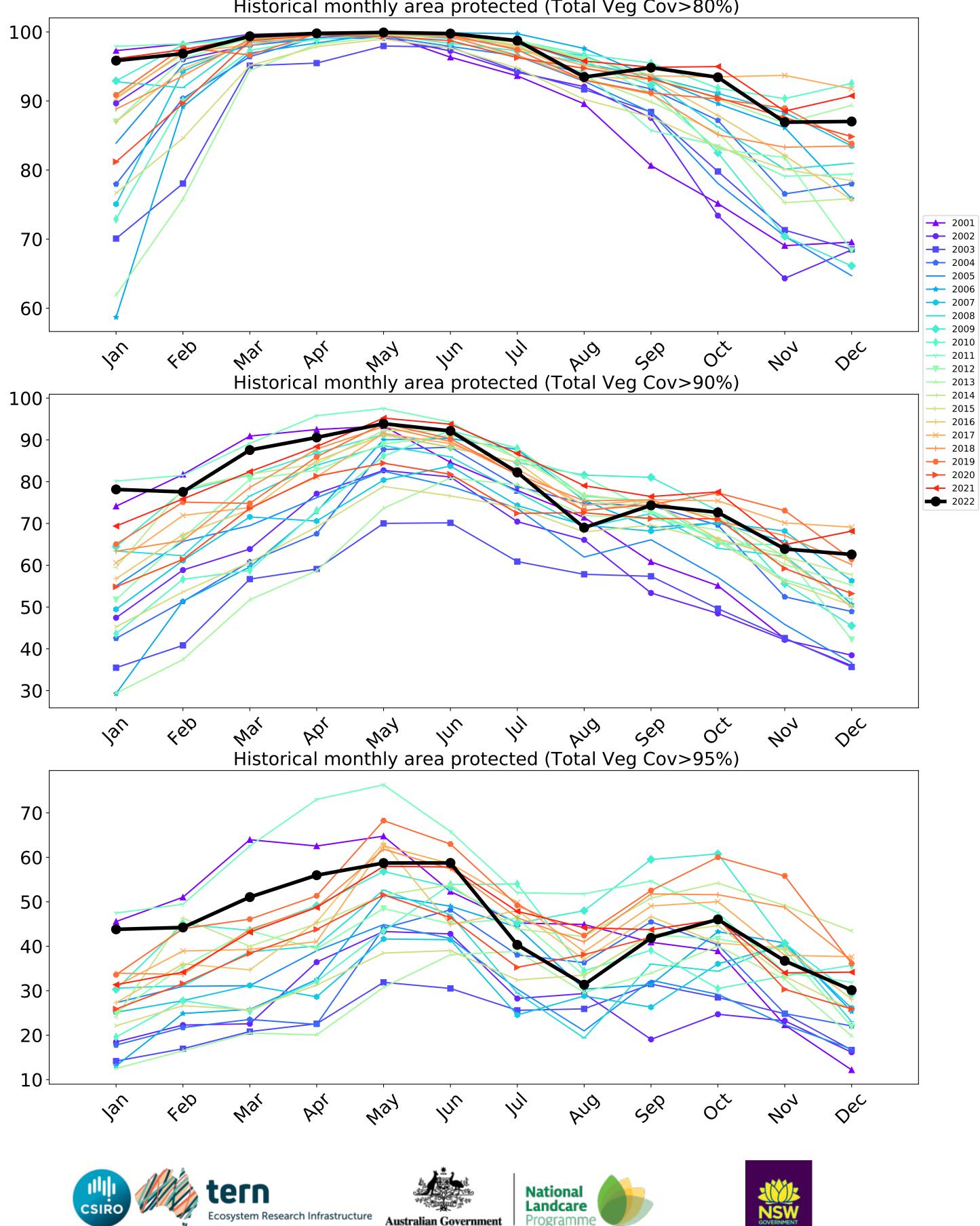


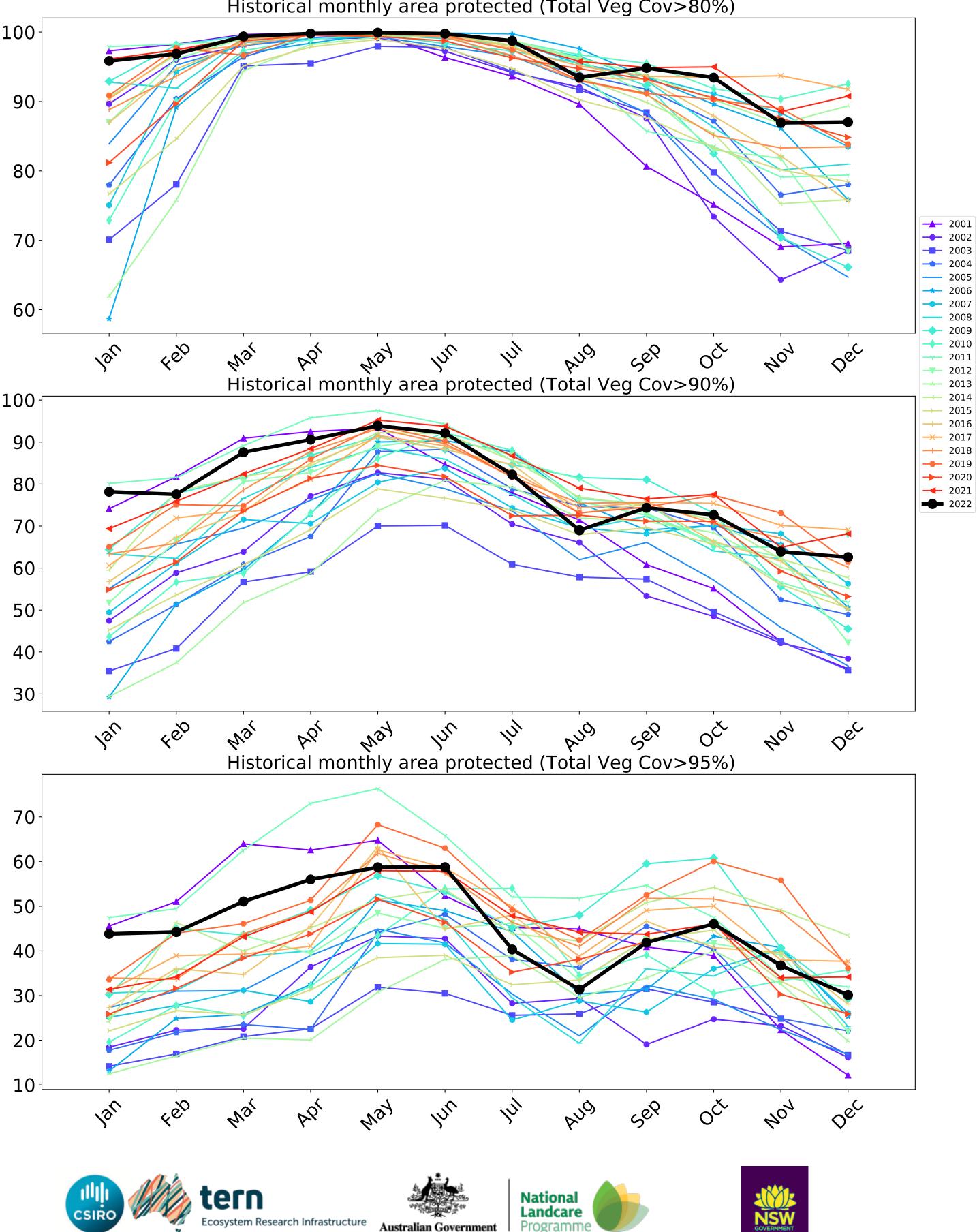
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

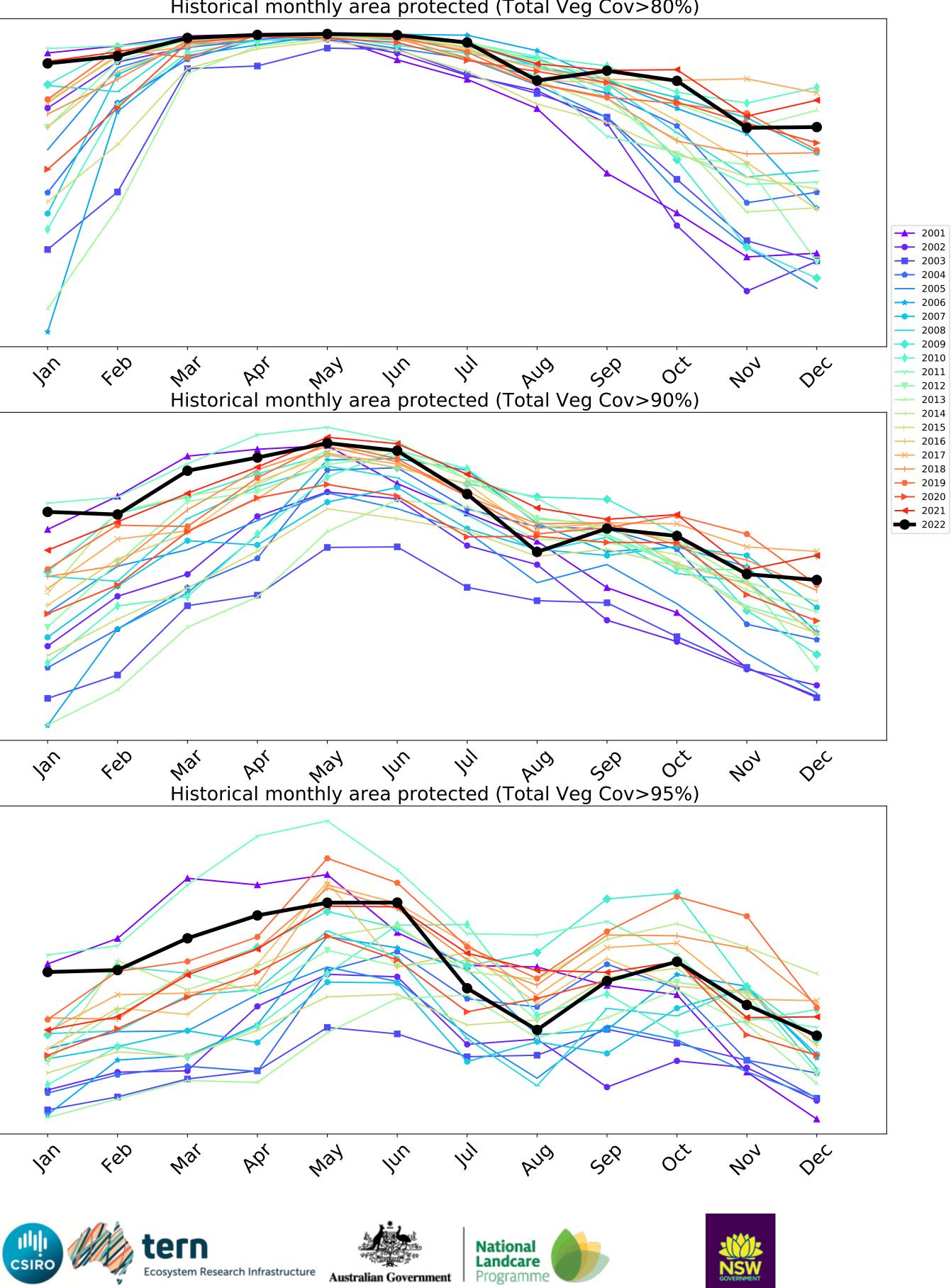






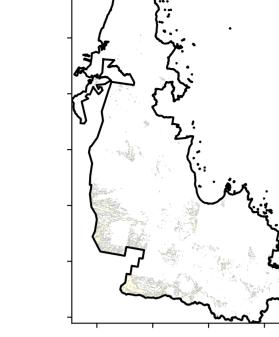






## **Grazing non forest**

#### Land use and forest cover



1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest

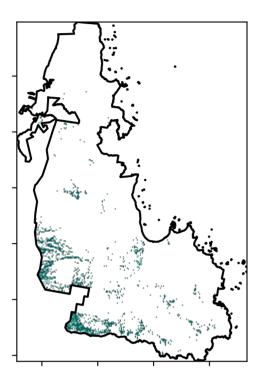
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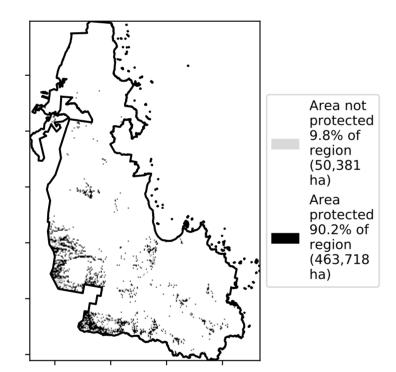
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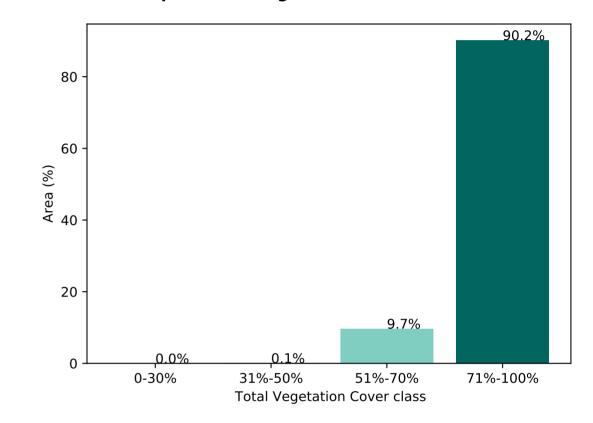
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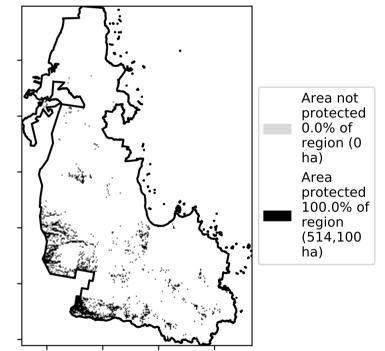




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



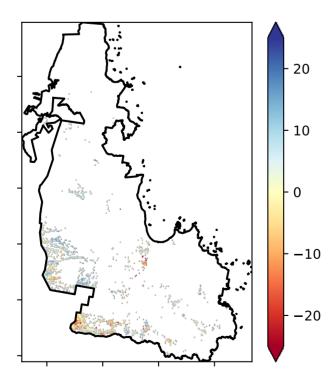
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



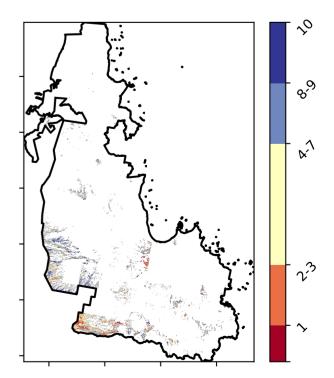
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

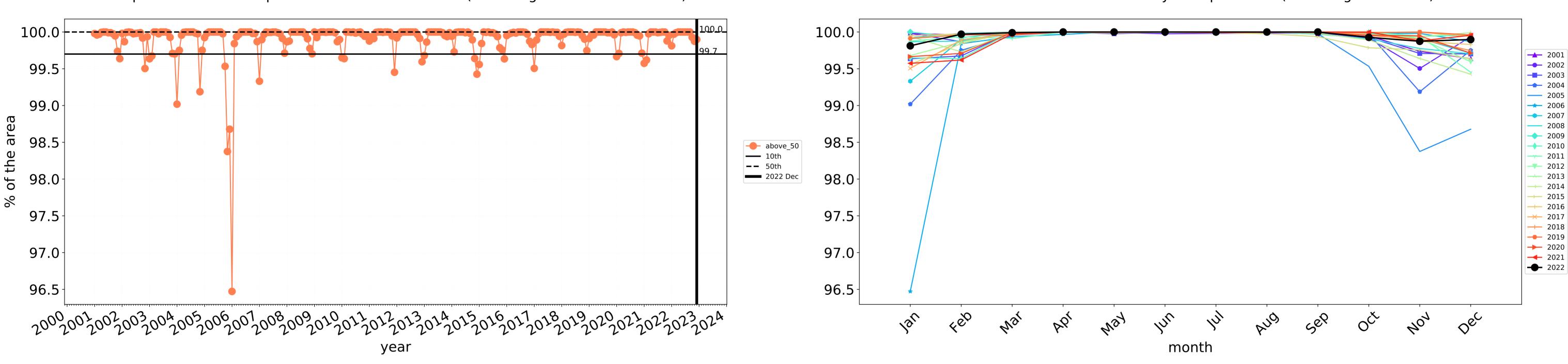
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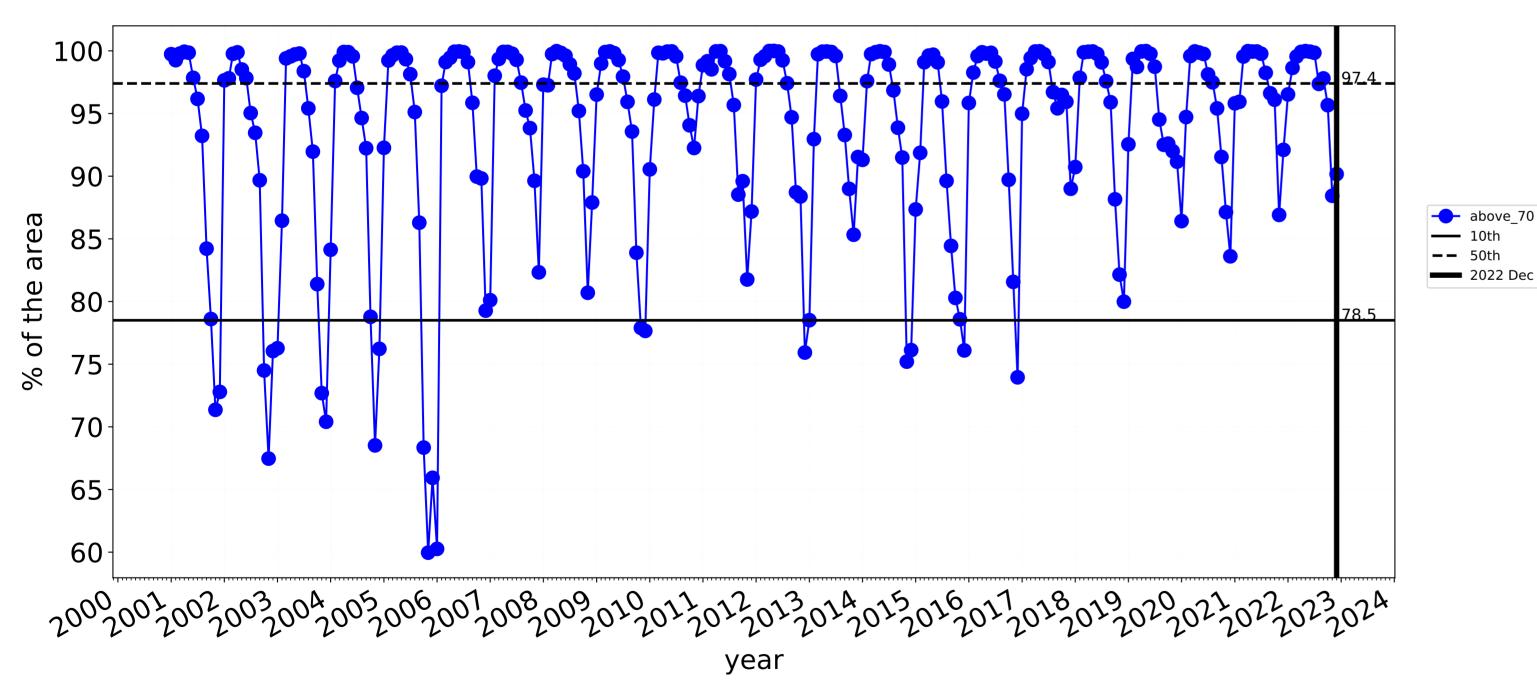




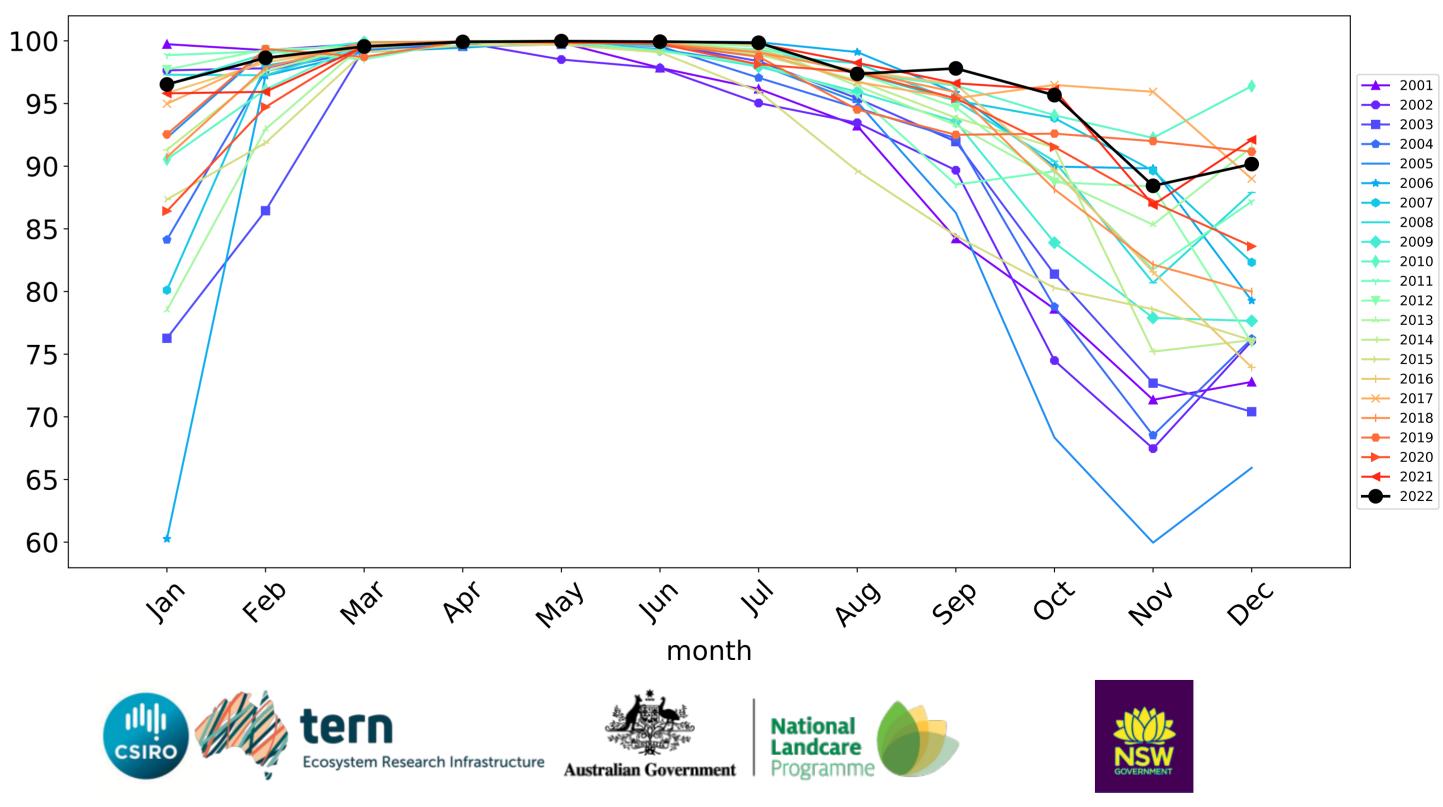


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

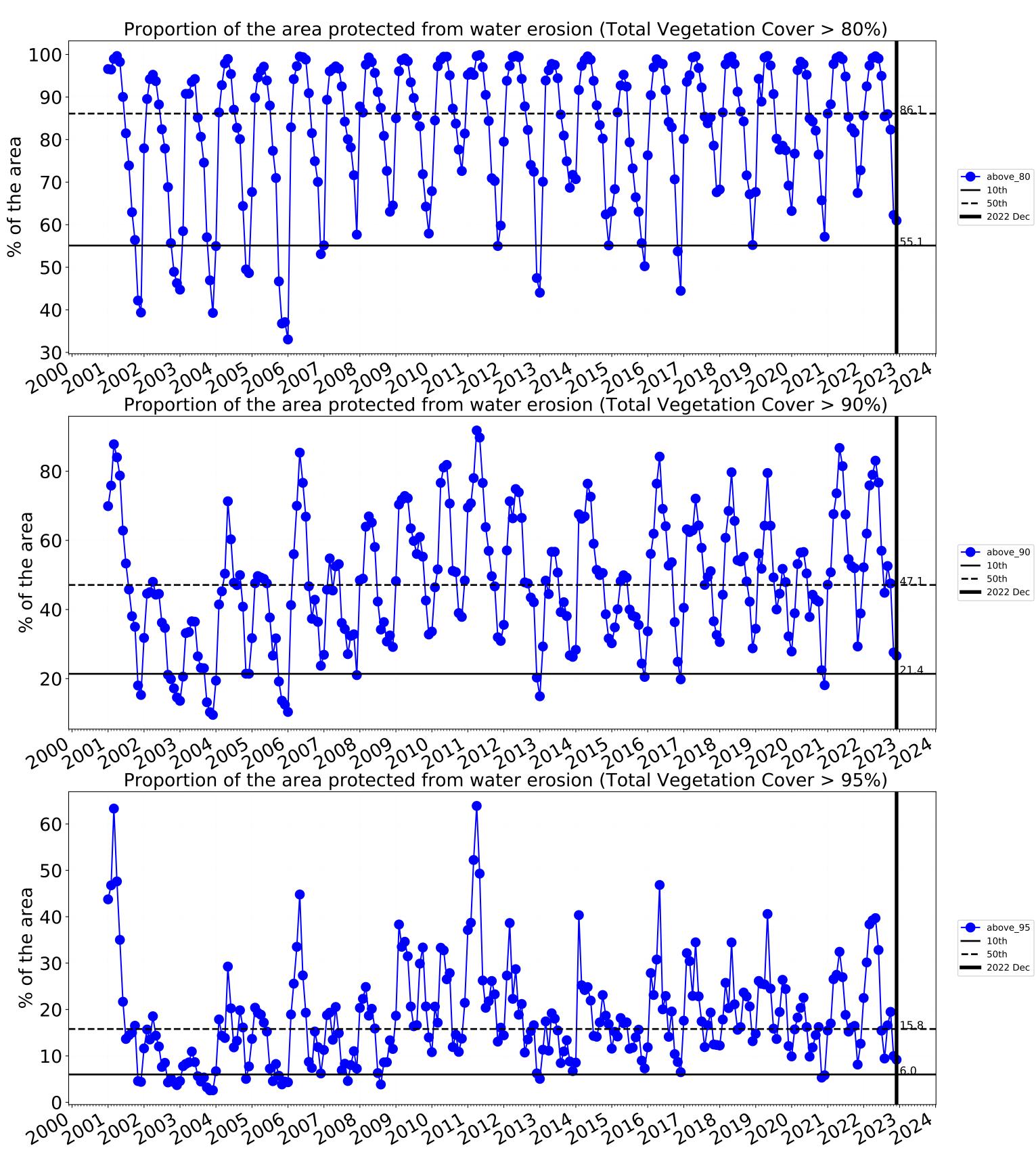


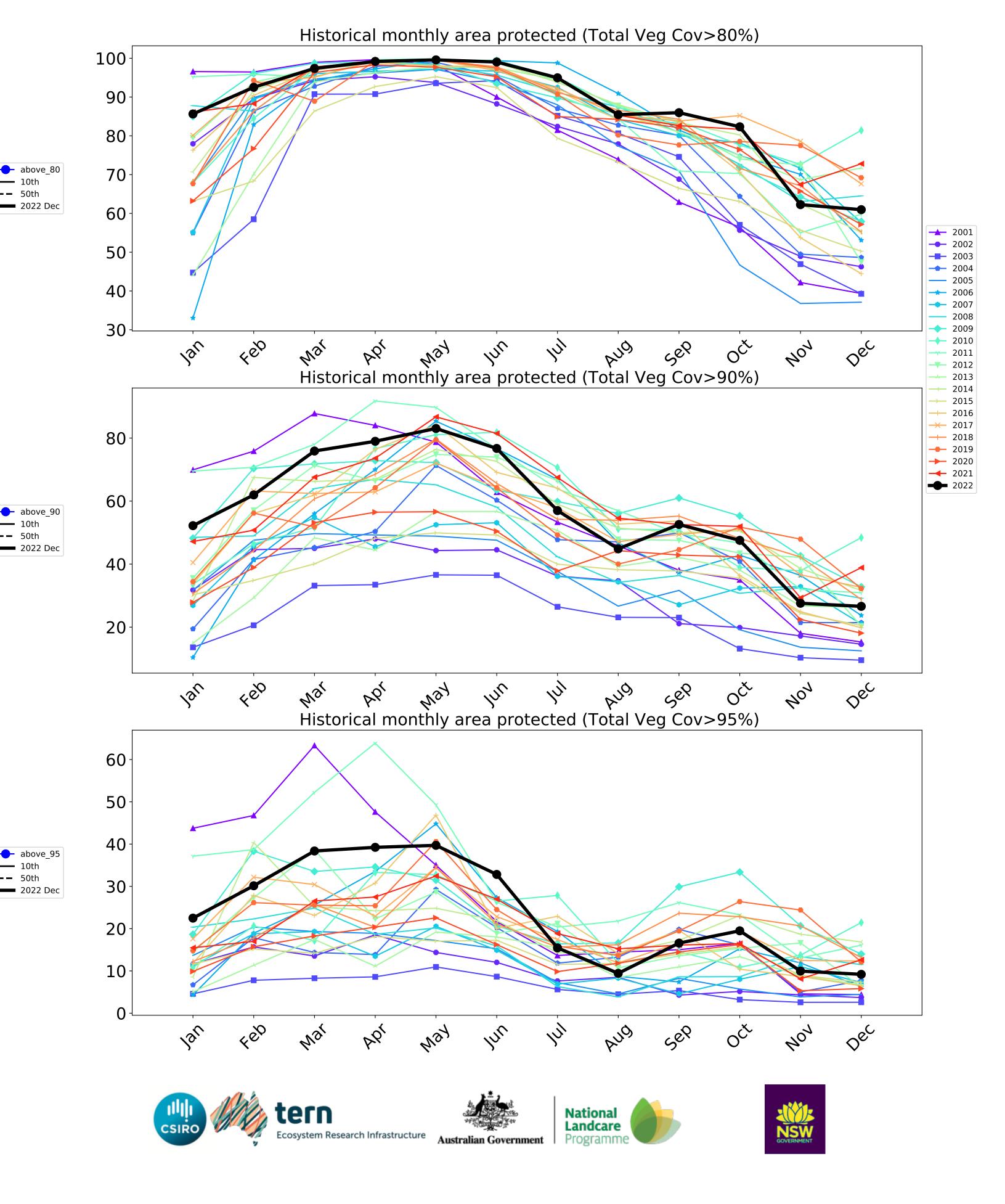


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



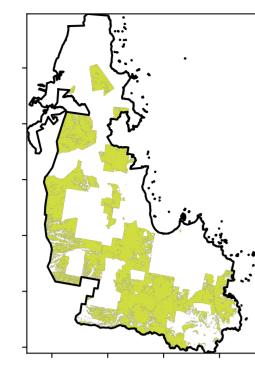
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)





## **Grazing Woodland forest**

Land use and forest cover



1 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest

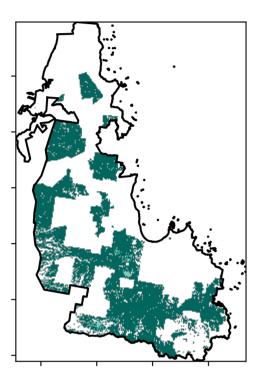
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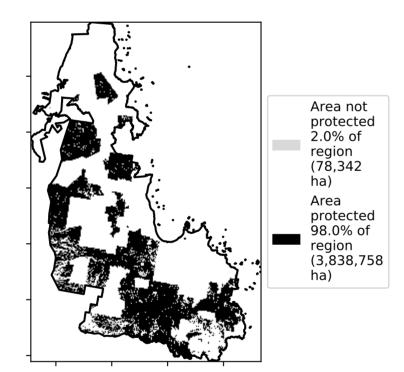
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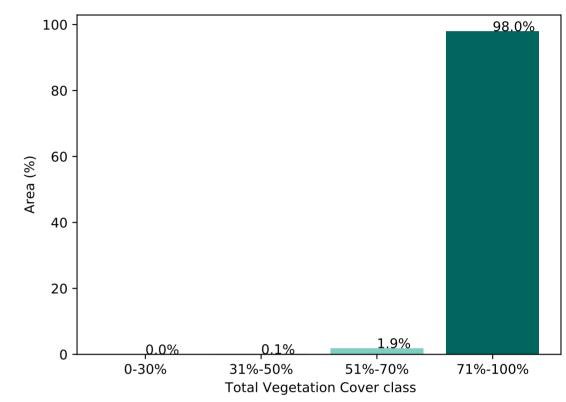
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



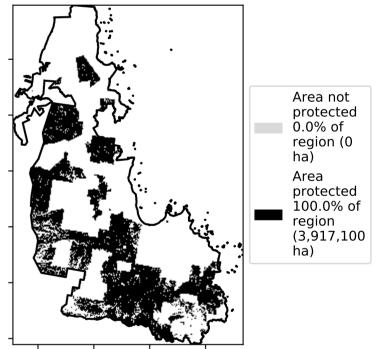
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







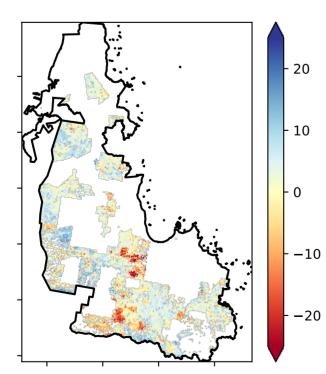
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



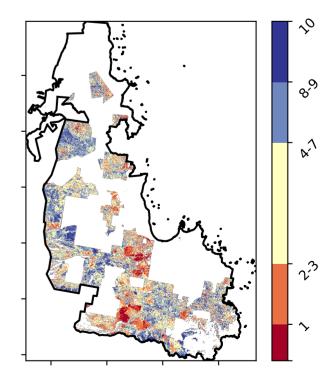
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

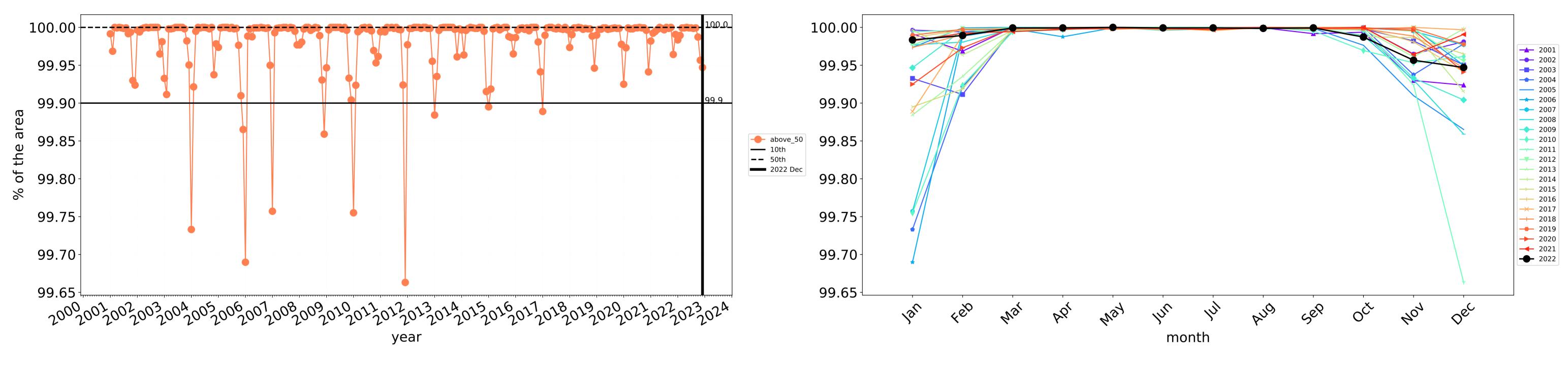
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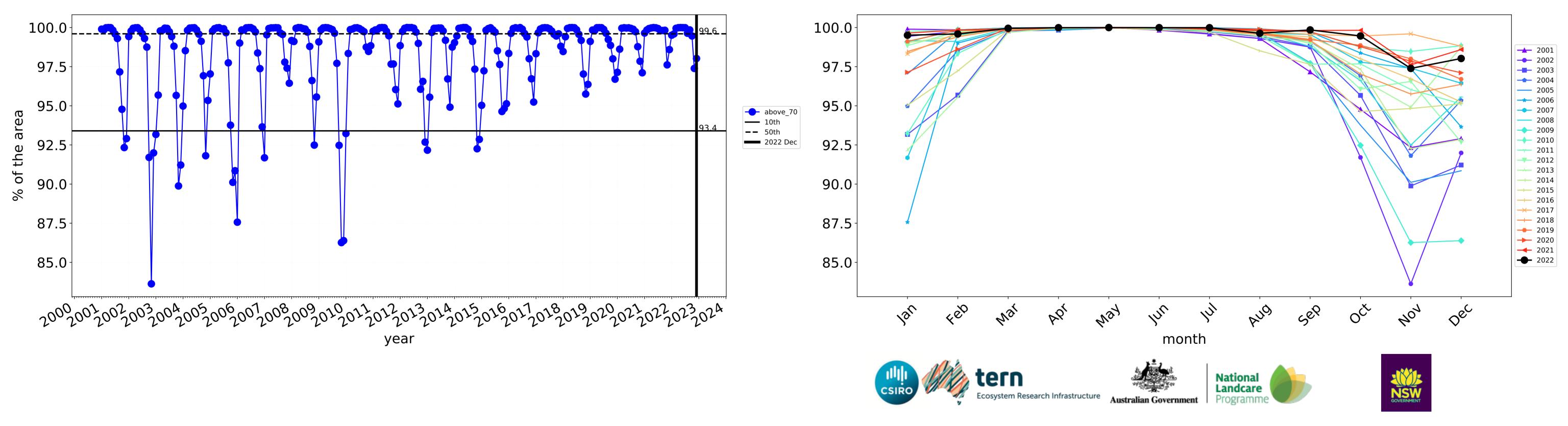






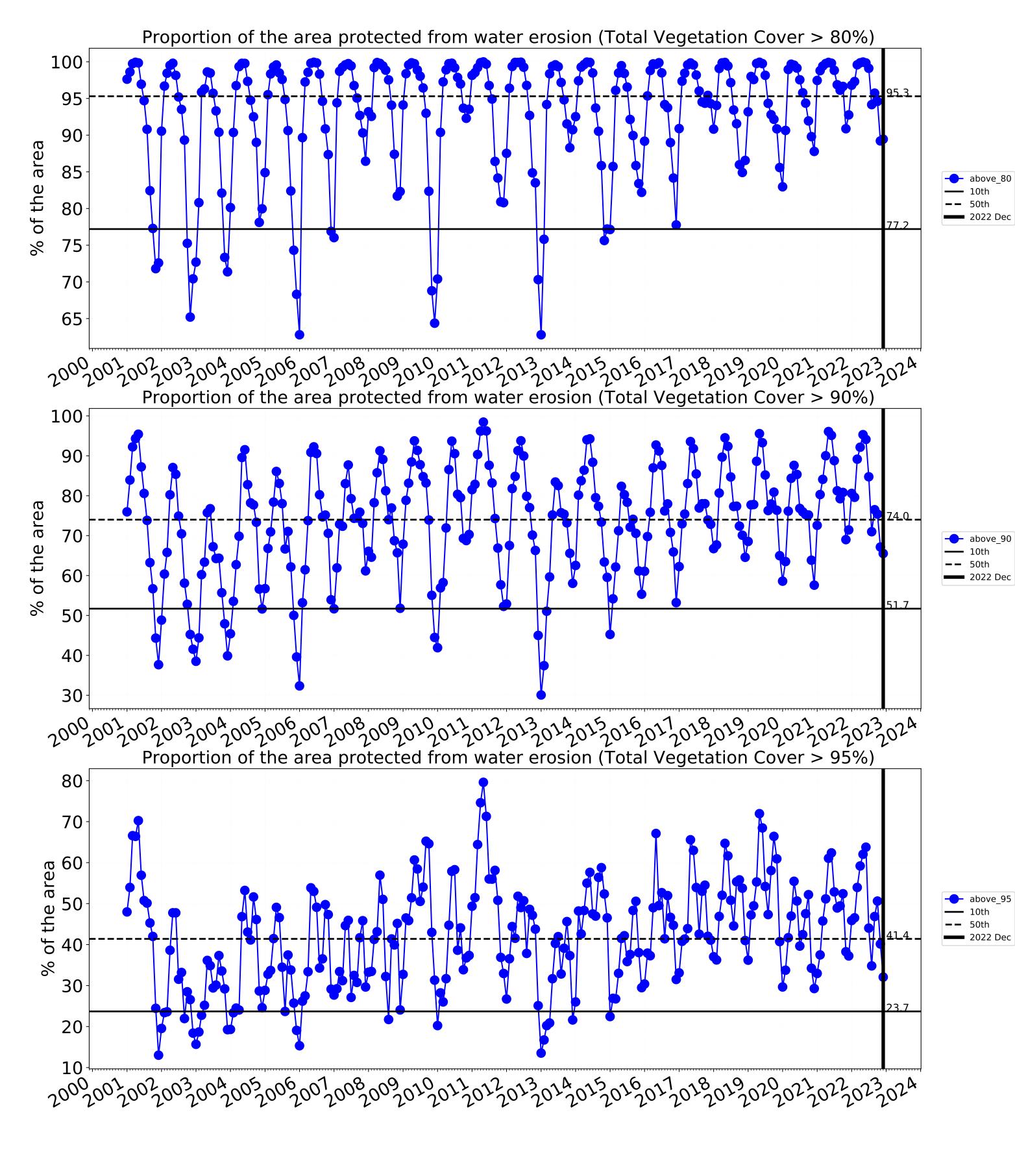
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

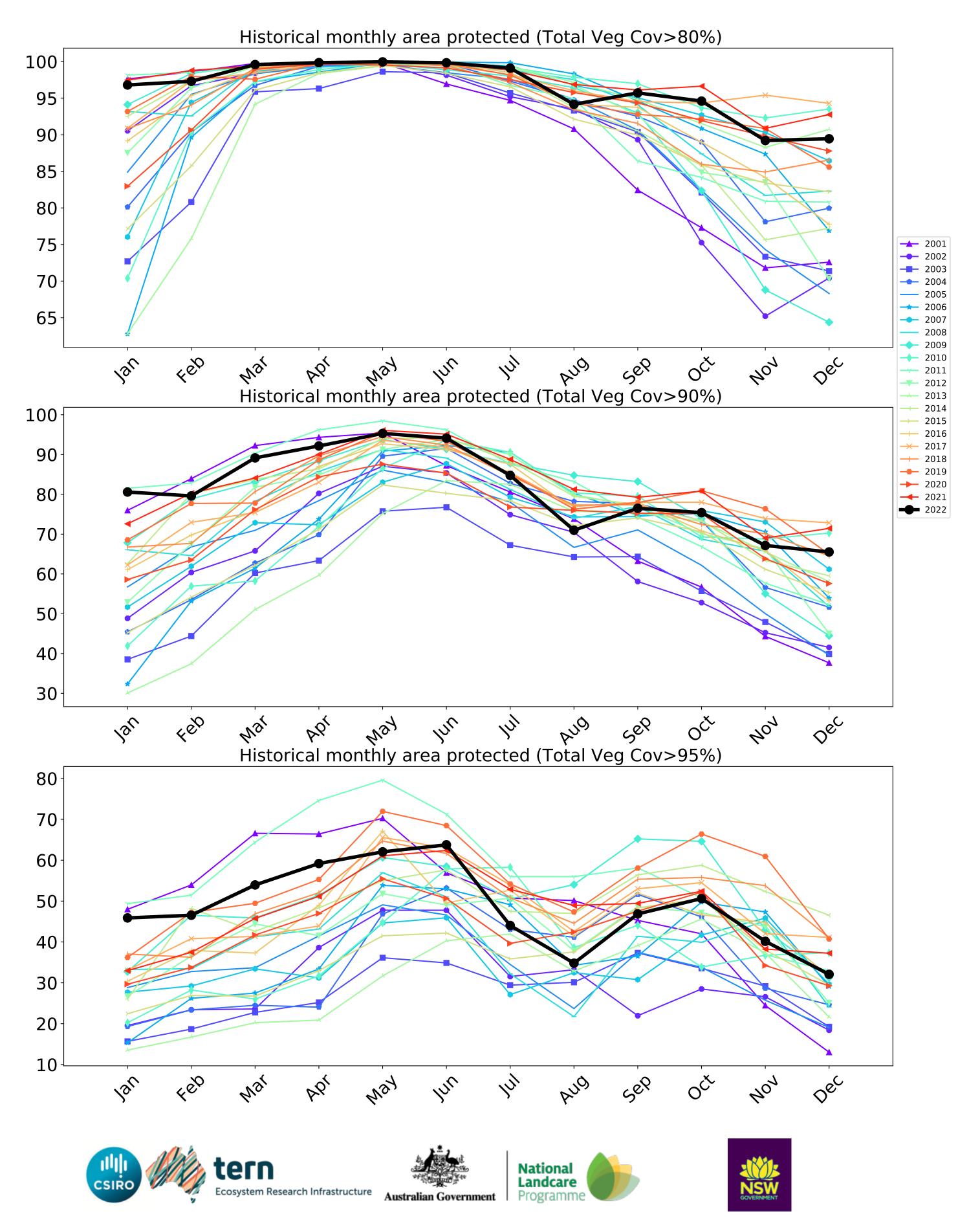
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

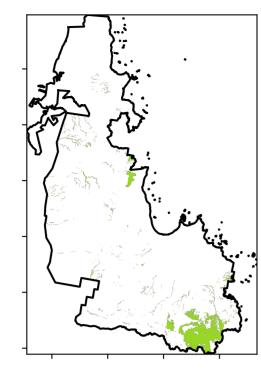
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)





## Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover



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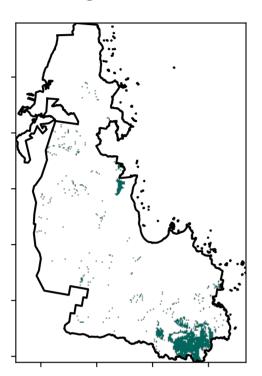
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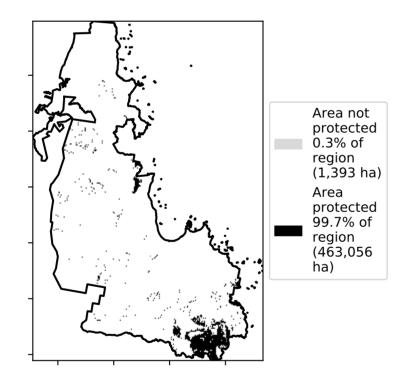
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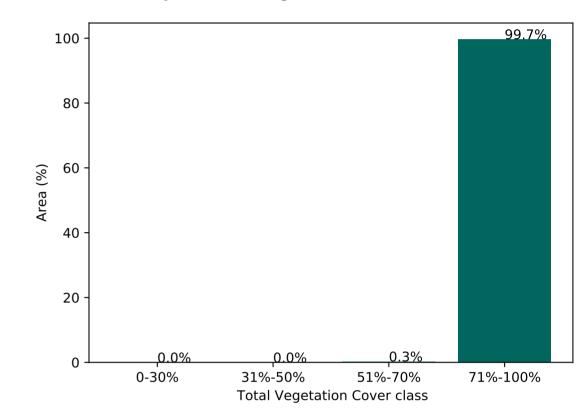
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



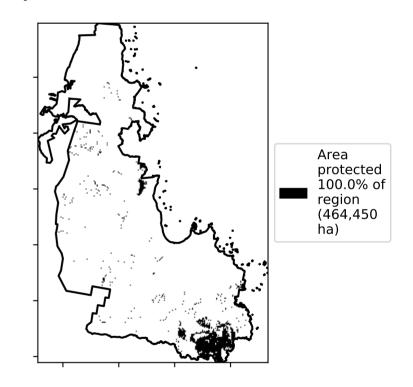








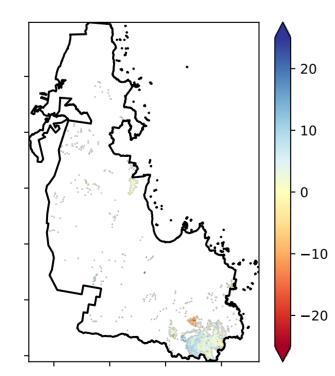
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



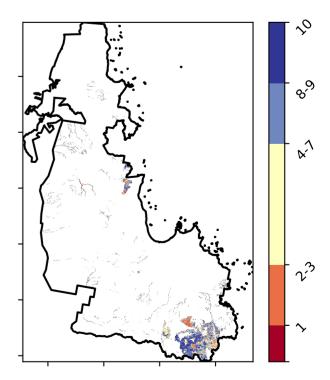
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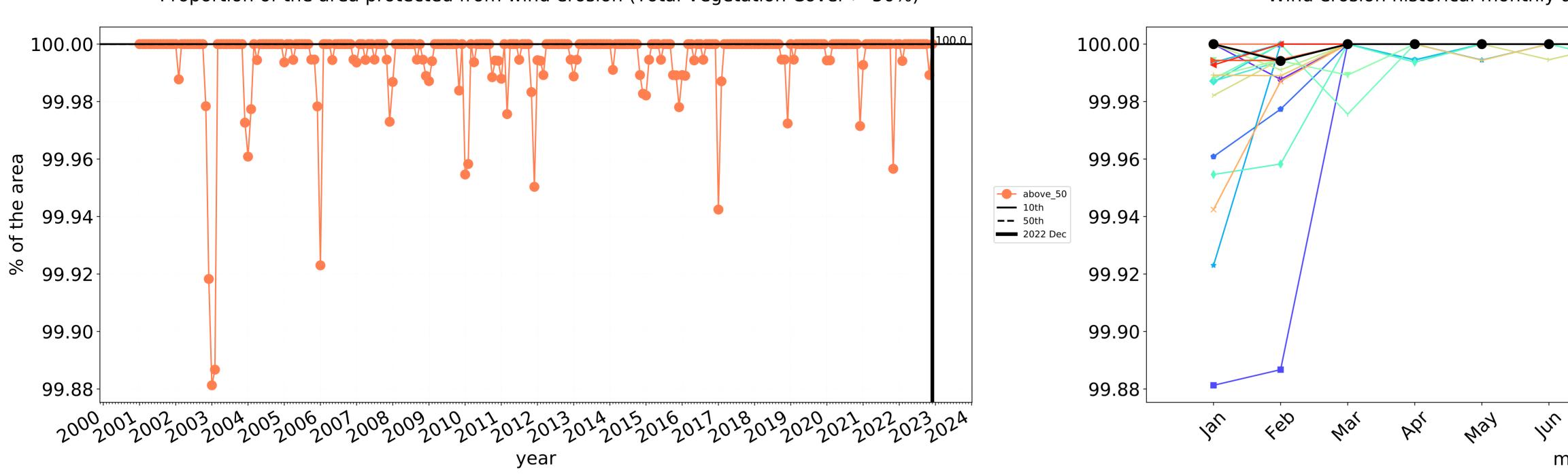


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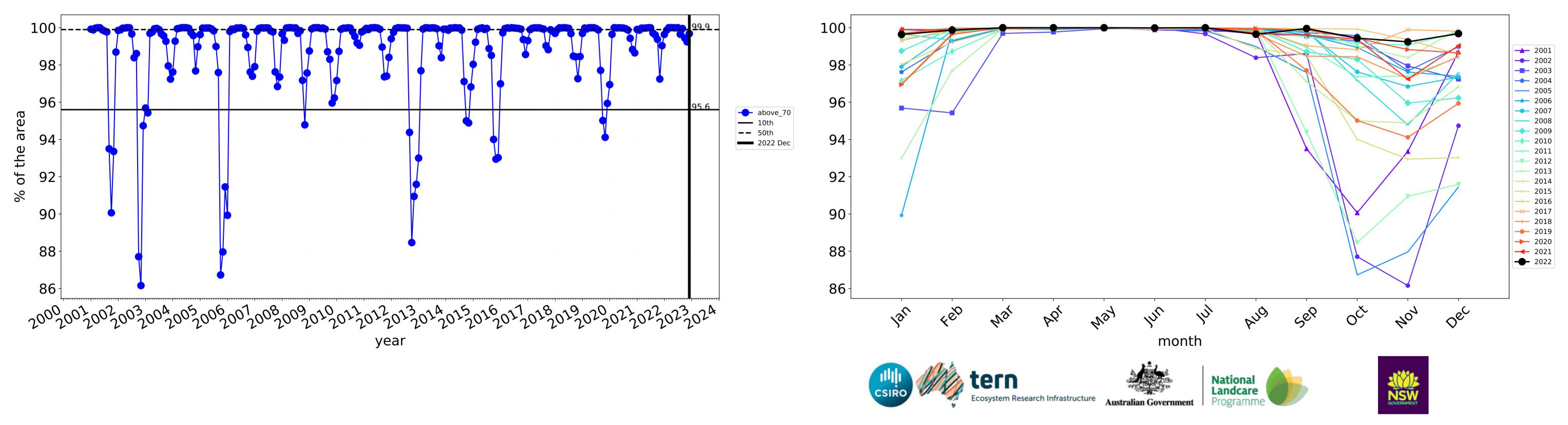






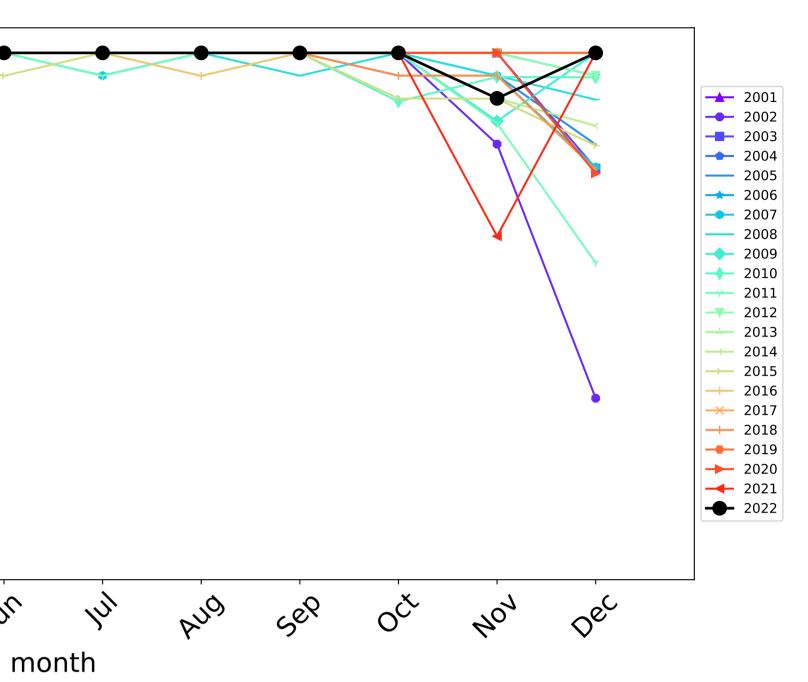
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

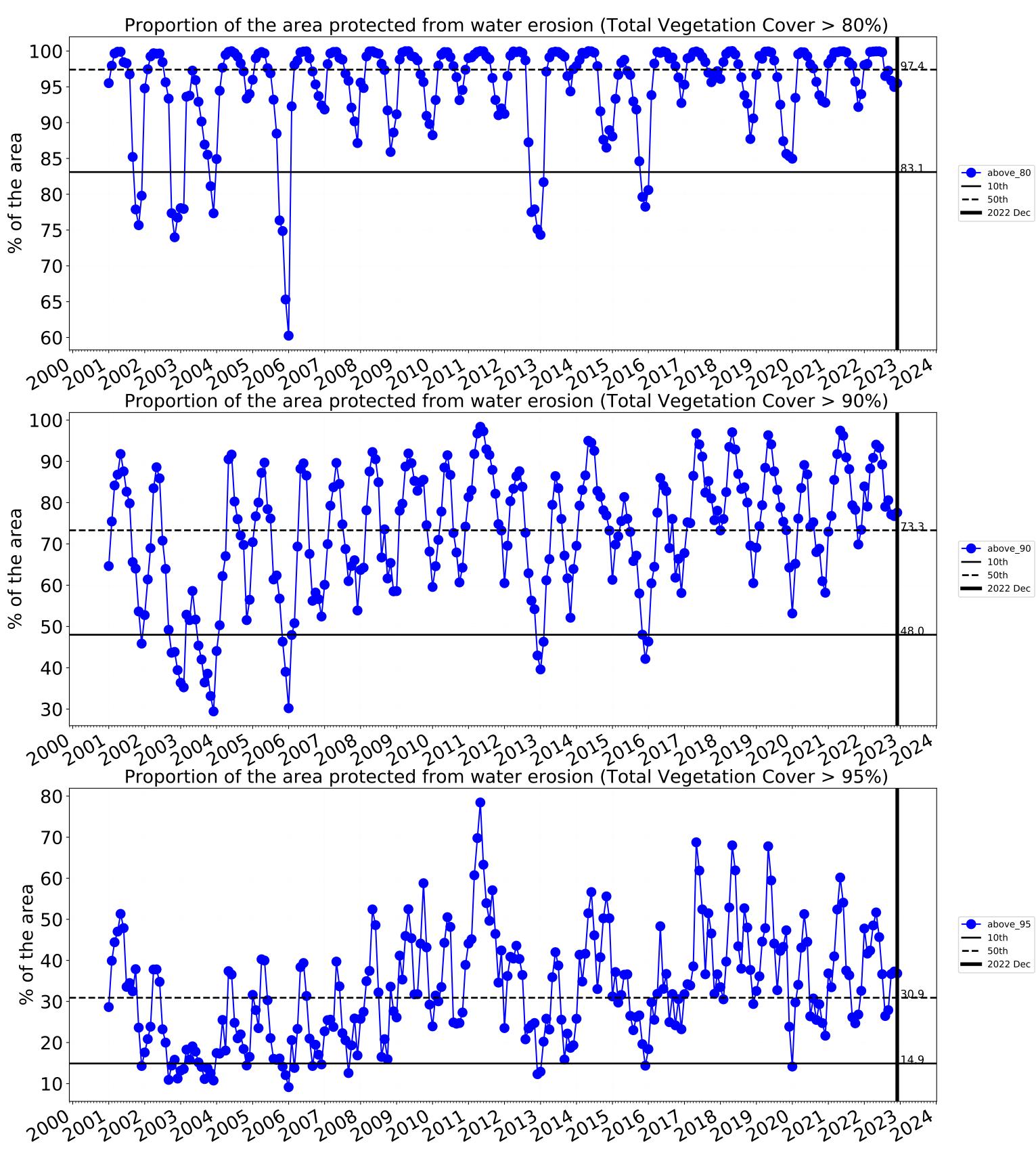
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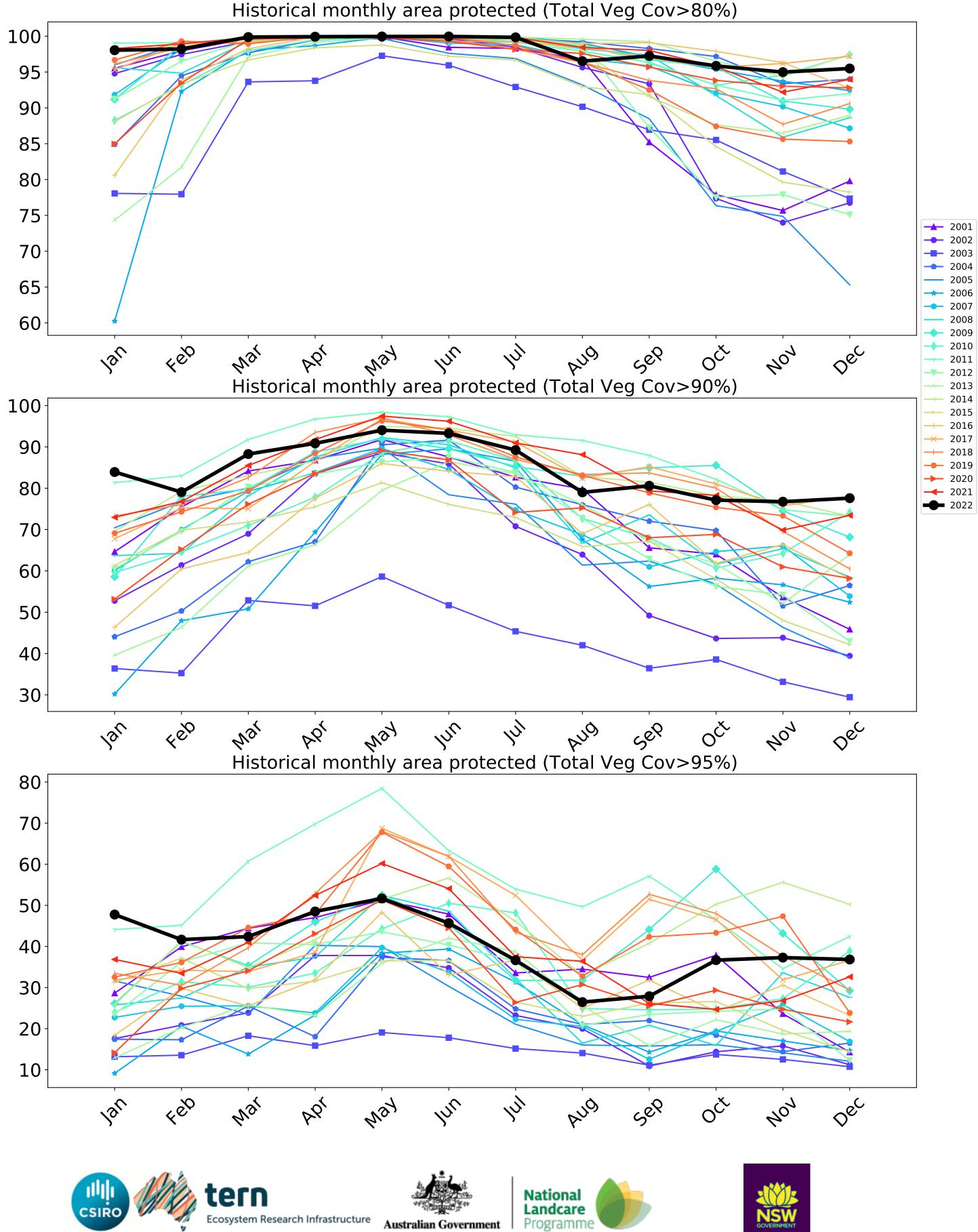




Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)









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# Cook\_(S) (10,392,425 ha and no data 179,457 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	10,392,425	100.0% 10,391,150	99.9% 10,384,375	98.0% 10,184,200	89.9% 9,341,725	65.0% 6,758,325	31.3% 3,253,625
Conservation and natural environments	5,316,550	100.0% 5,315,850	99.9% 5,312,750	98.7% 5,247,625	92.8% 4,934,150	67.9% 3,611,625	32.8% 1,743,175
Conservation and natural environments non forest	446,625	99.9% 446,300	99.7% 445,275	94.2% 420,900	78.8% 351,925	46.3% 206,925	21.1% 94,075
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	4,301,050	100.0% 4,300,950	100.0% 4,299,750	99.1% 4,263,900	93.9% 4,037,575	69.6% 2,993,900	34.1% 1,465,075
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	568,875	100.0% 568,600	99.8% 567,725	98.9% 562,825	95.7% 544,650	72.2% 410,800	32.3% 184,025
Agriculture	4,902,750	100.0% 4,902,675	99.9% 4,900,150	97.4% 4,772,850	87.0% 4,266,375	62.5% 3,066,350	30.1% 1,475,200
Grazing	4,895,650	100.0% 4,895,575	99.9% 4,893,050	97.4% 4,766,175	87.0% 4,260,850	62.6% 3,063,750	30.1% 1,474,700
Grazing non forest	514,100	100.0% 514,100	99.9% 513,575	90.2% 463,550	61.0% 313,425	26.6% 136,725	9.2% 47,250
Grazing Woodland forest	3,917,100	100.0% 3,917,025	99.9% 3,915,025	98.0% 3,839,650	89.5% 3,503,925	65.5% 2,566,625	32.1% 1,256,400
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	464,450	100.0% 464,450	100.0% 464,450	99.7% 462,975	95.5% 443,500	77.6% 360,400	36.8% 171,050

