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

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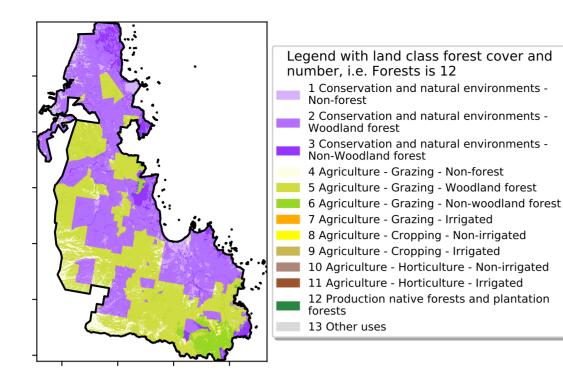


## **Vegetation Cover Apr 2024**

### Land use and forest cover

### Proportion of each land class in area

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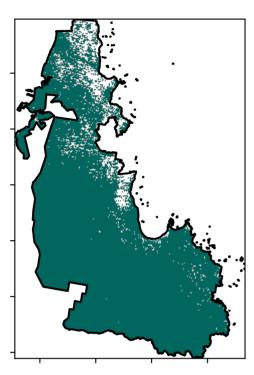
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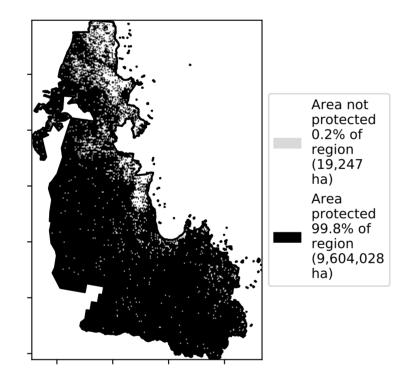
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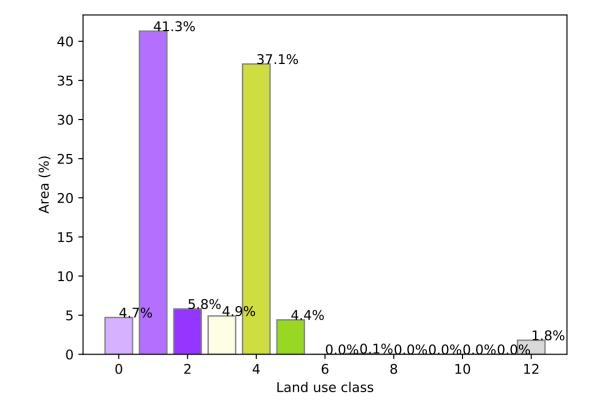
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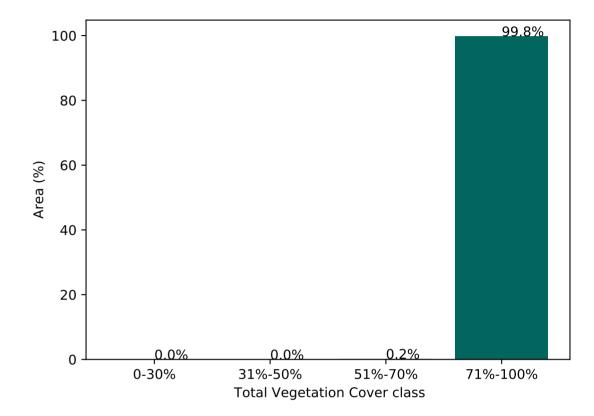


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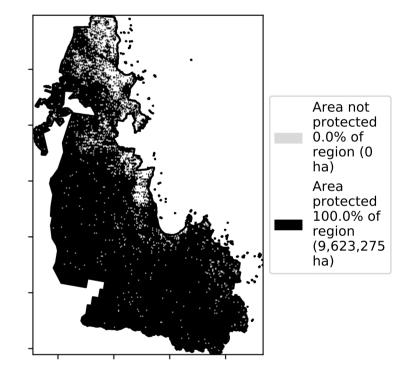




### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

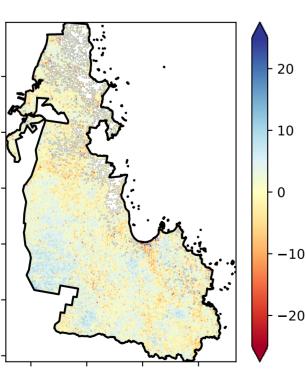


### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

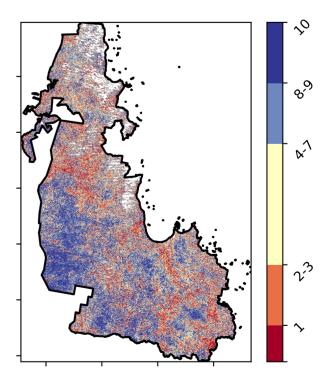


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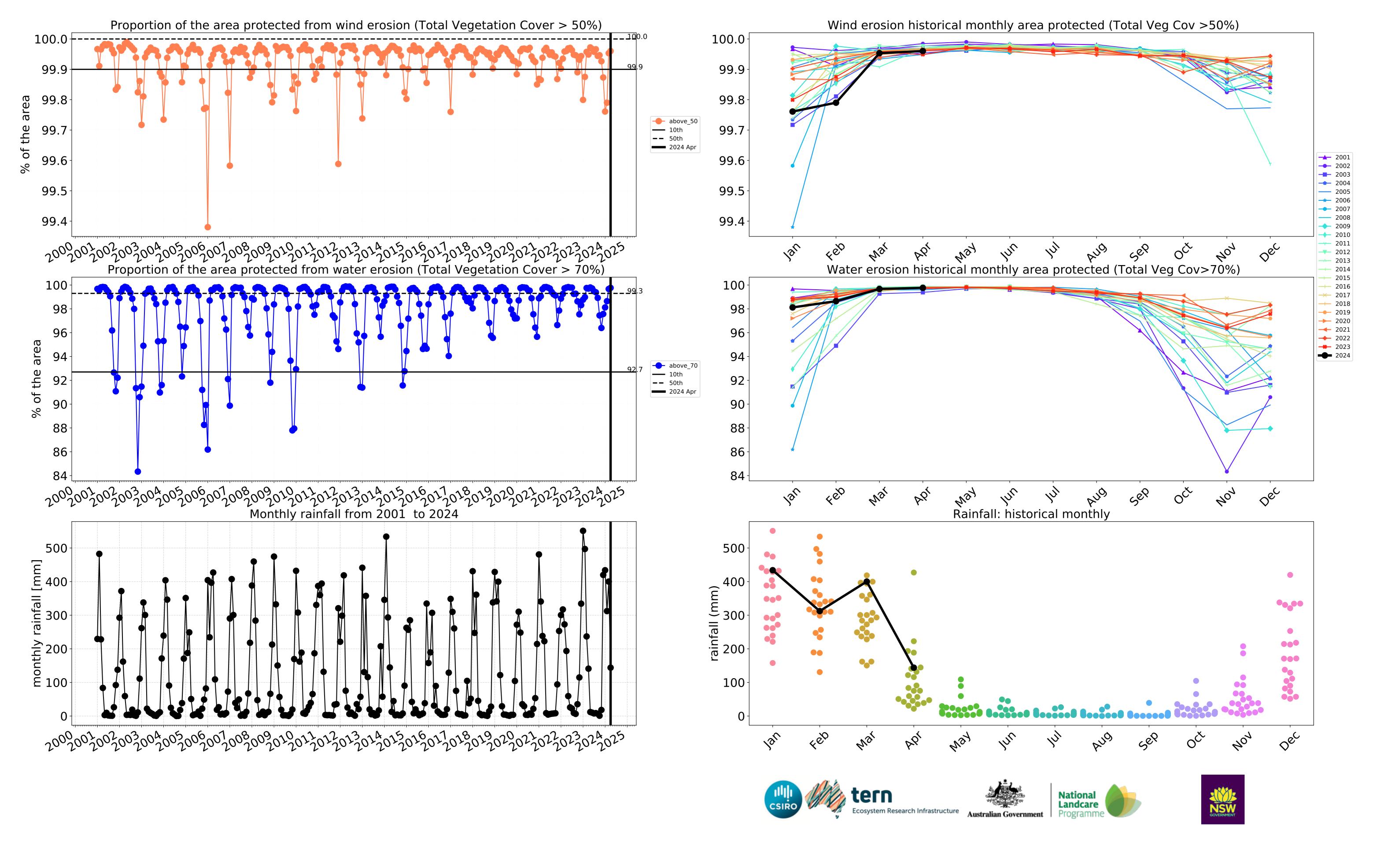
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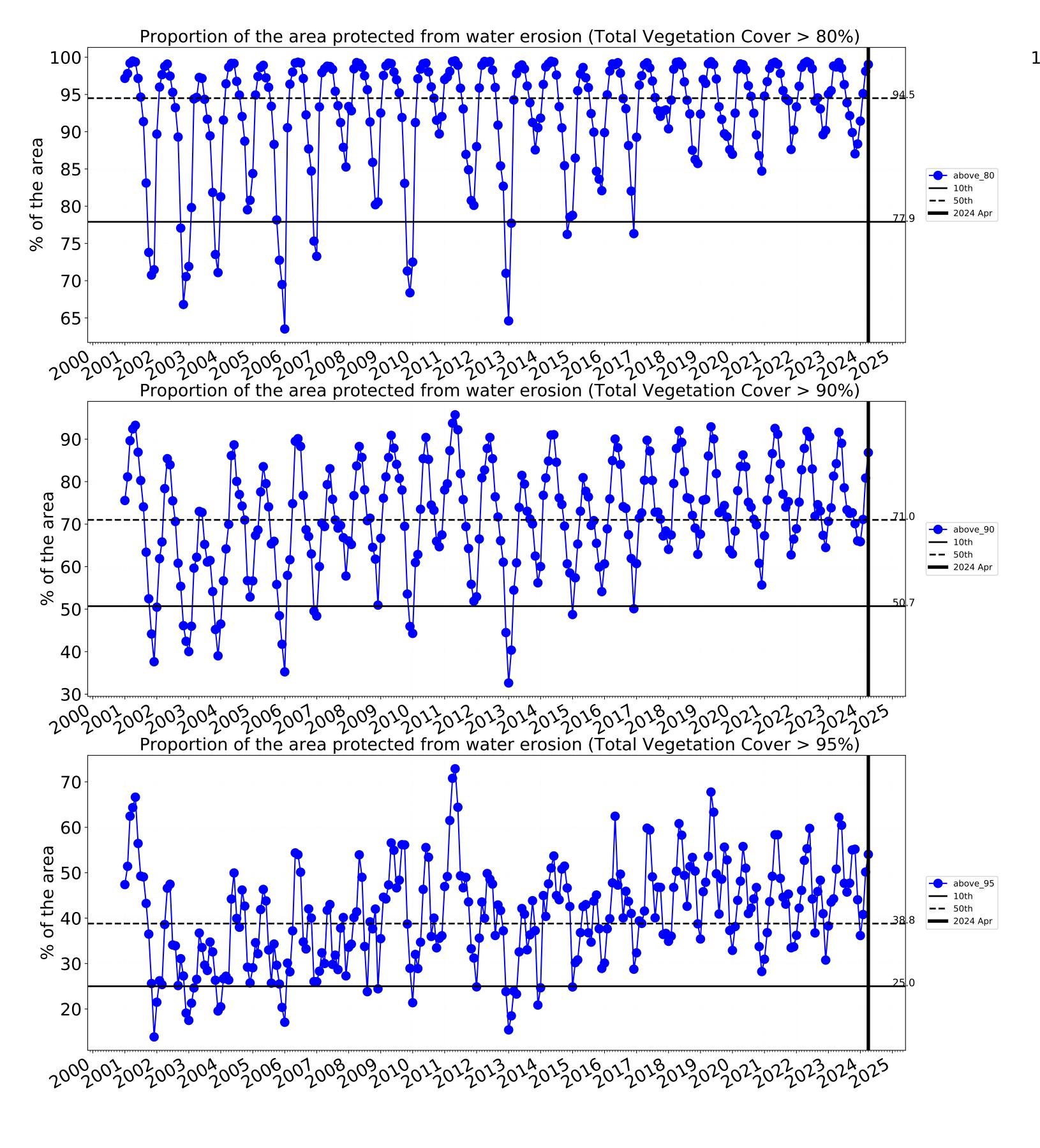


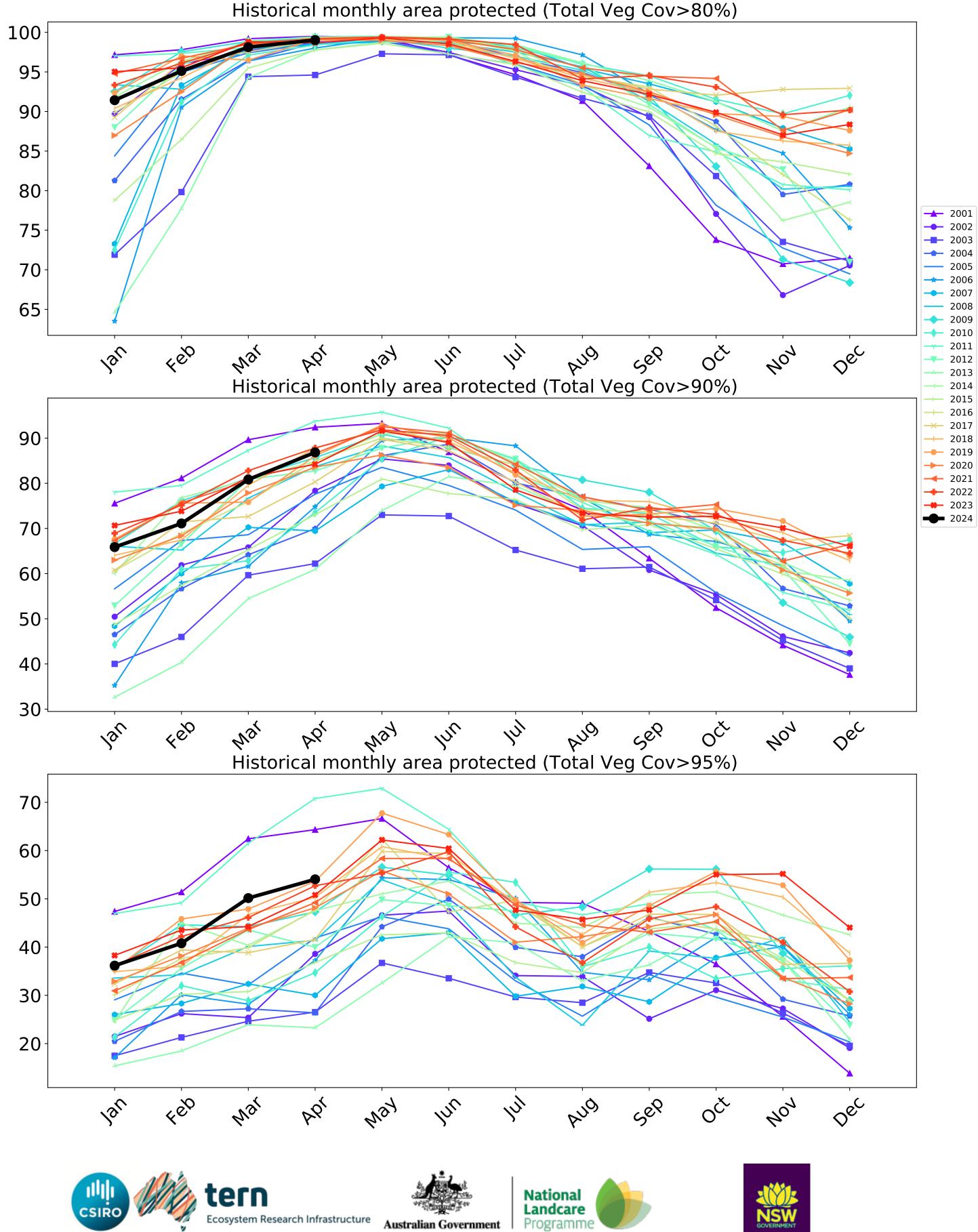
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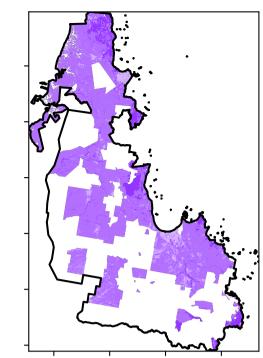






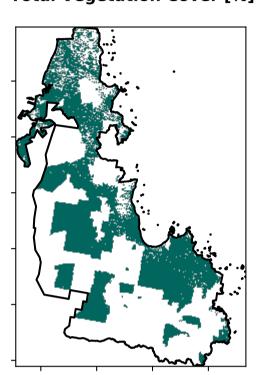
## **Conservation and natural environments**

### Land use and forest cover

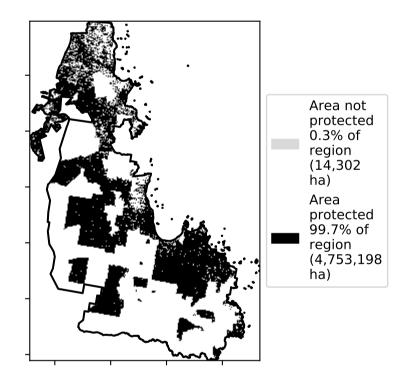


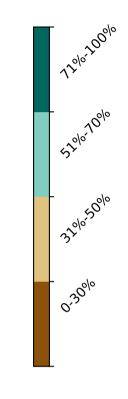
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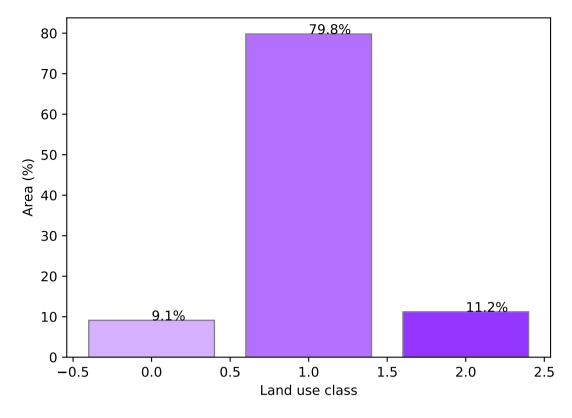




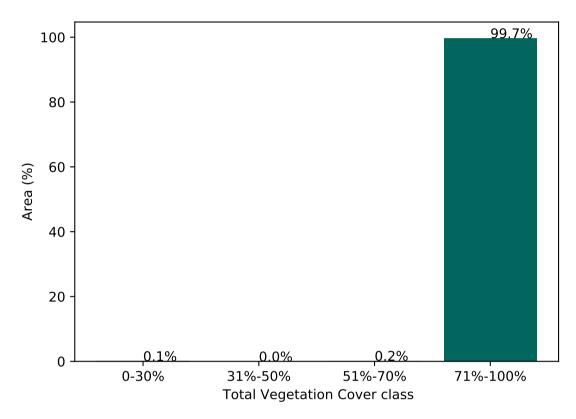




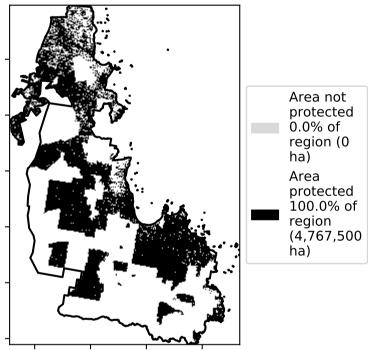
## Proportion of each land class in area



### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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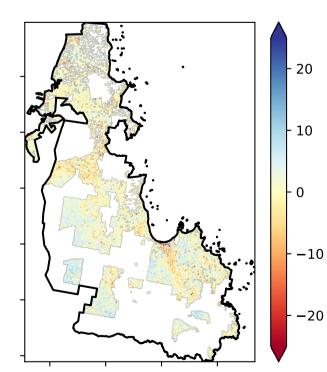
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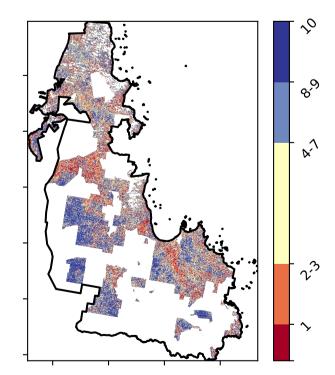
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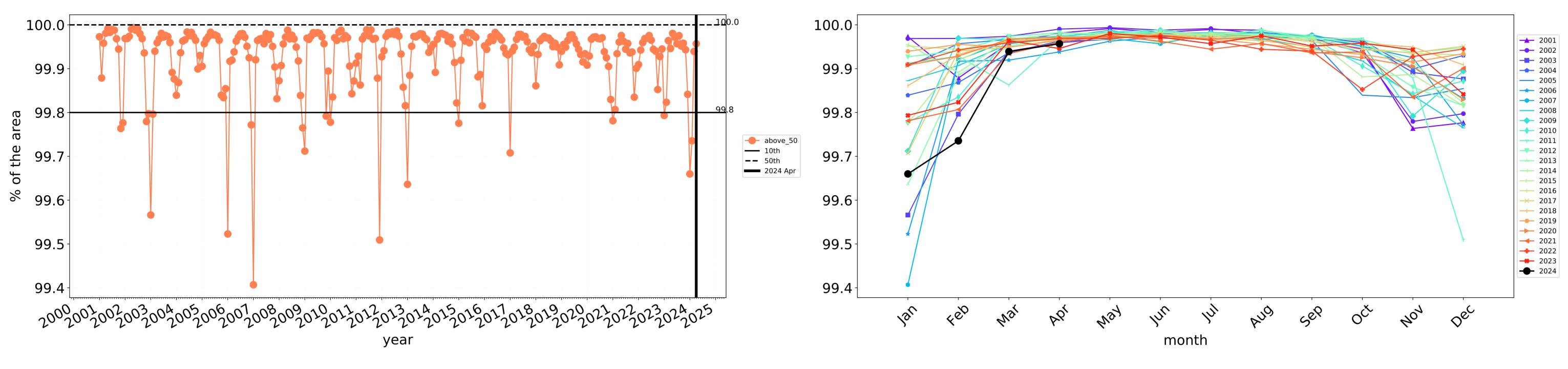
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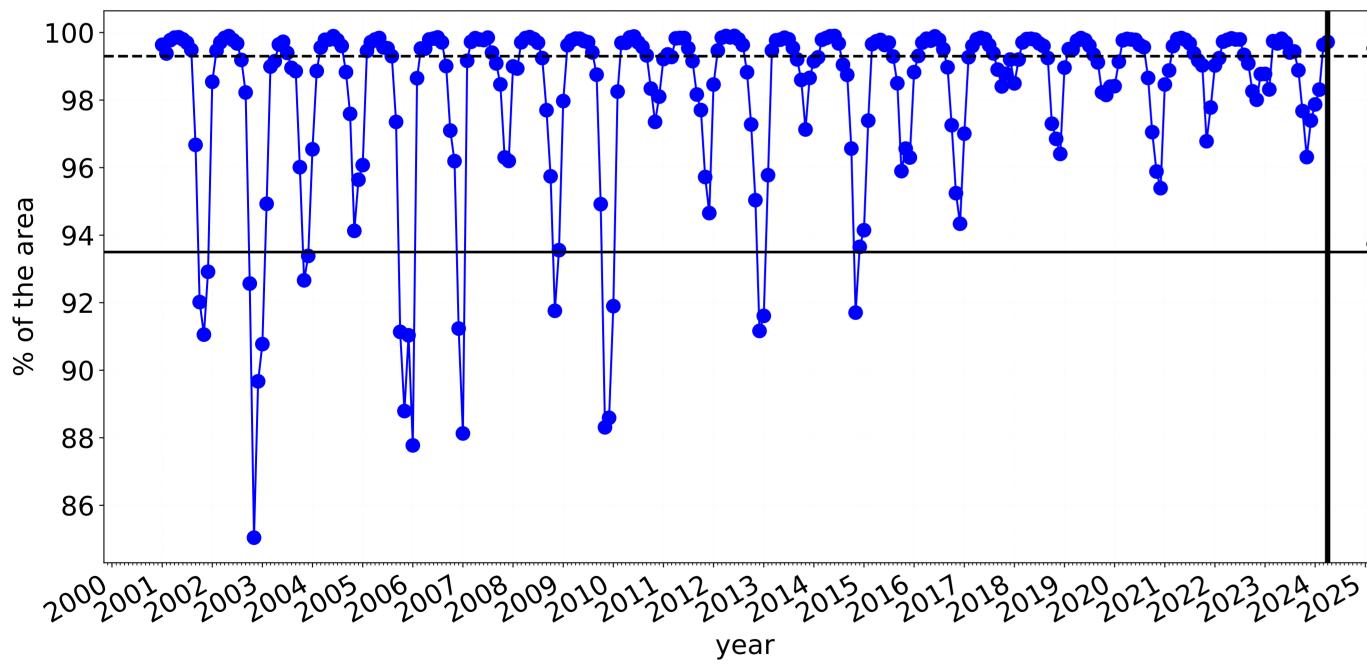


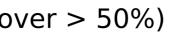




Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)





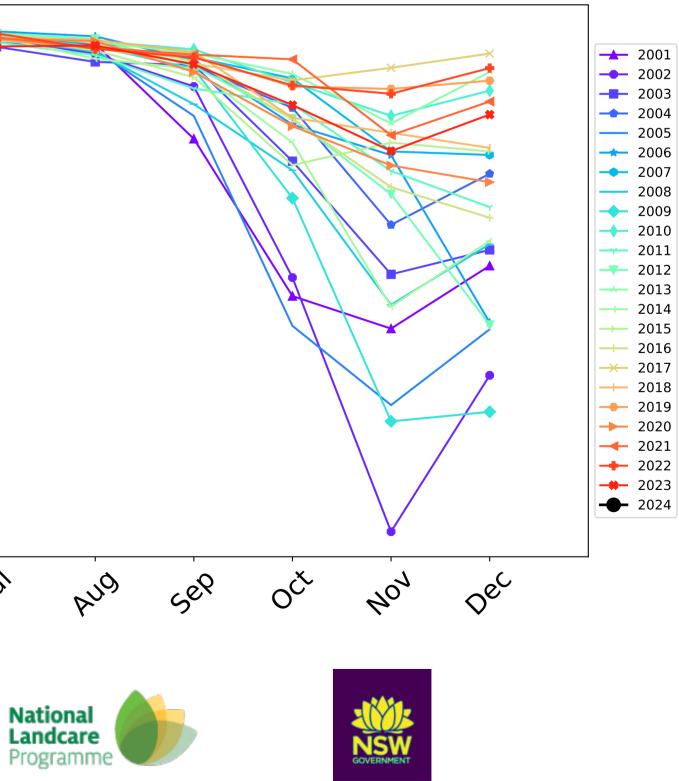


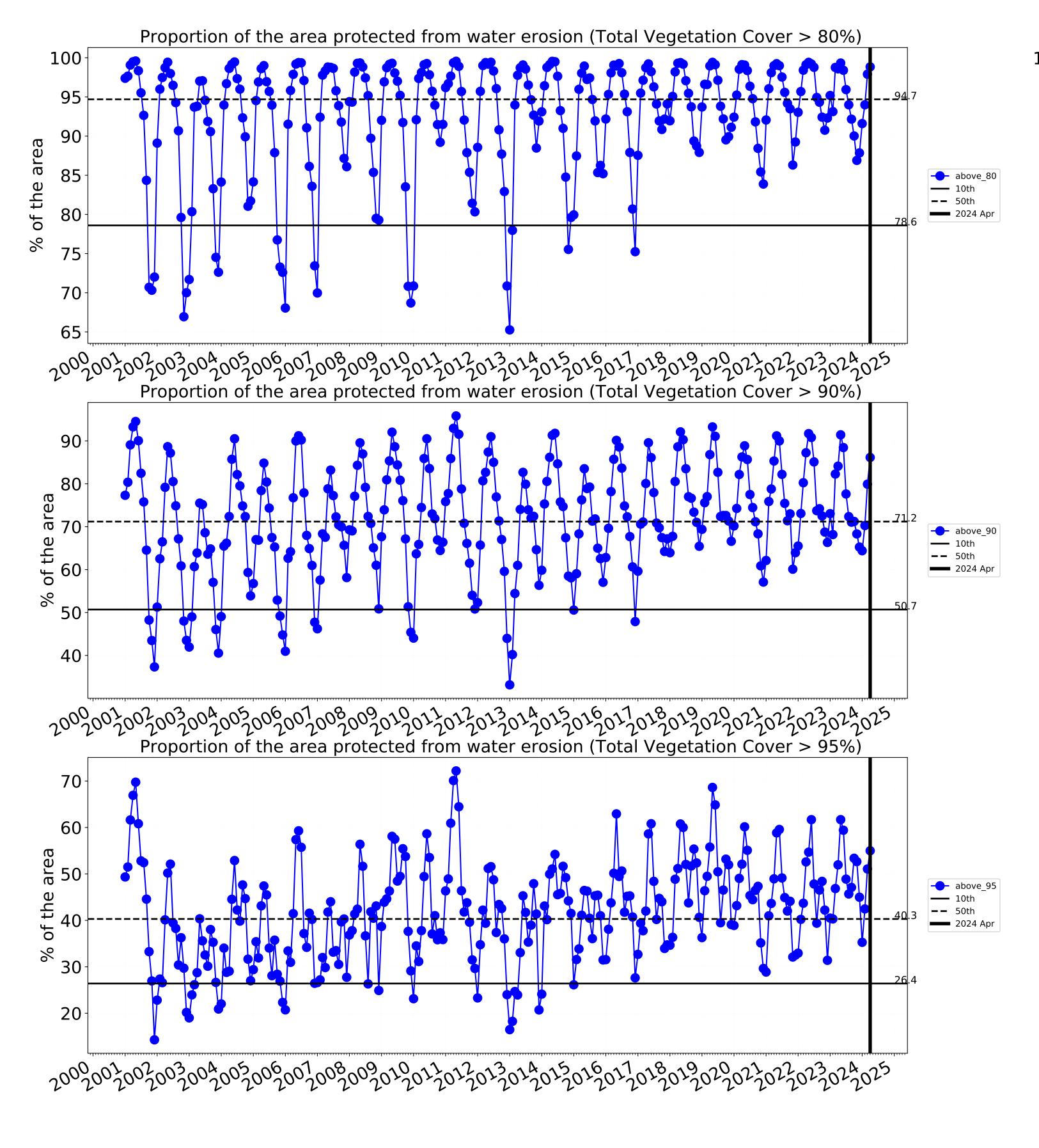
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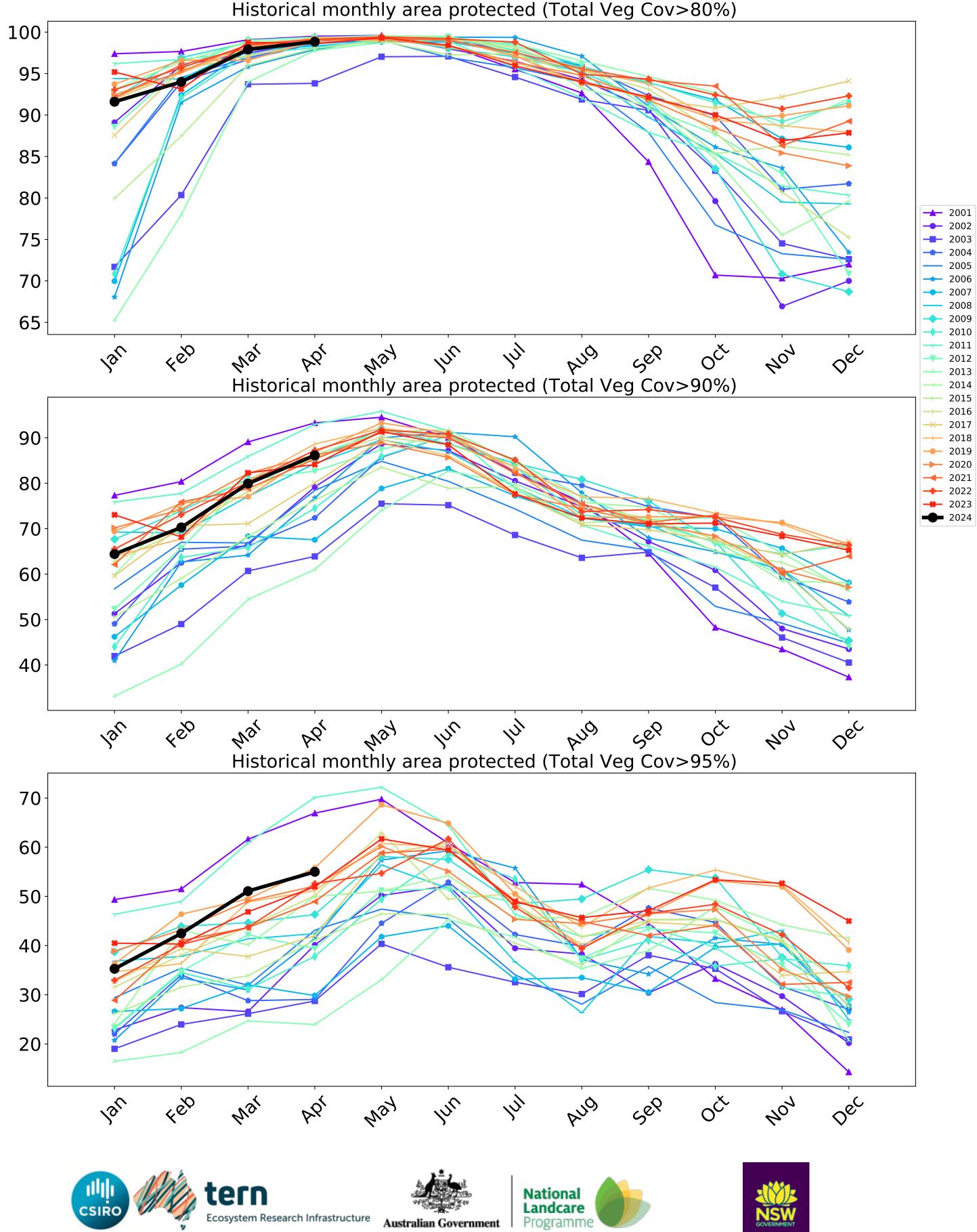
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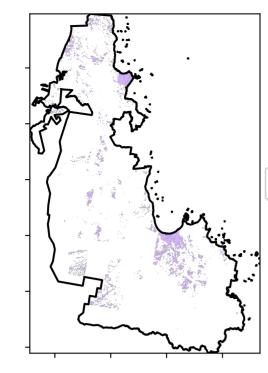






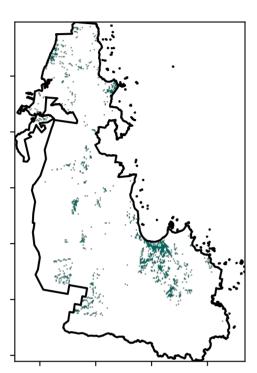
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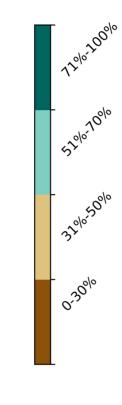
Land use and forest cover



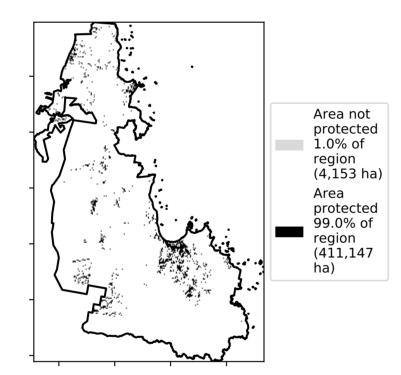
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**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

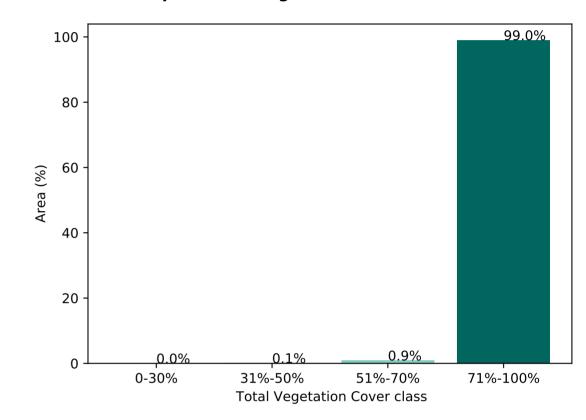




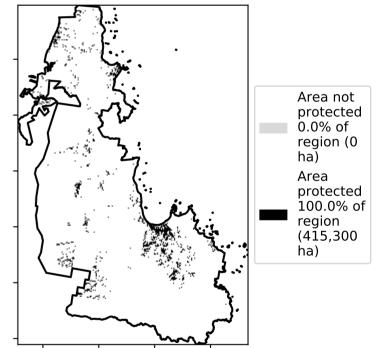
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



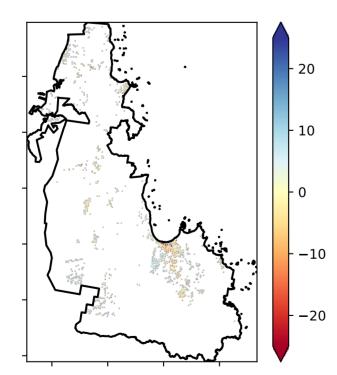
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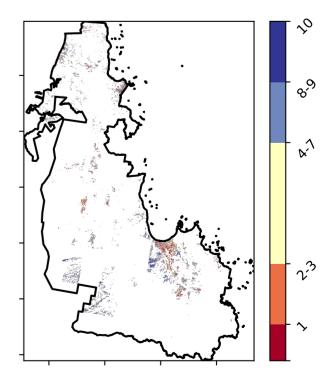
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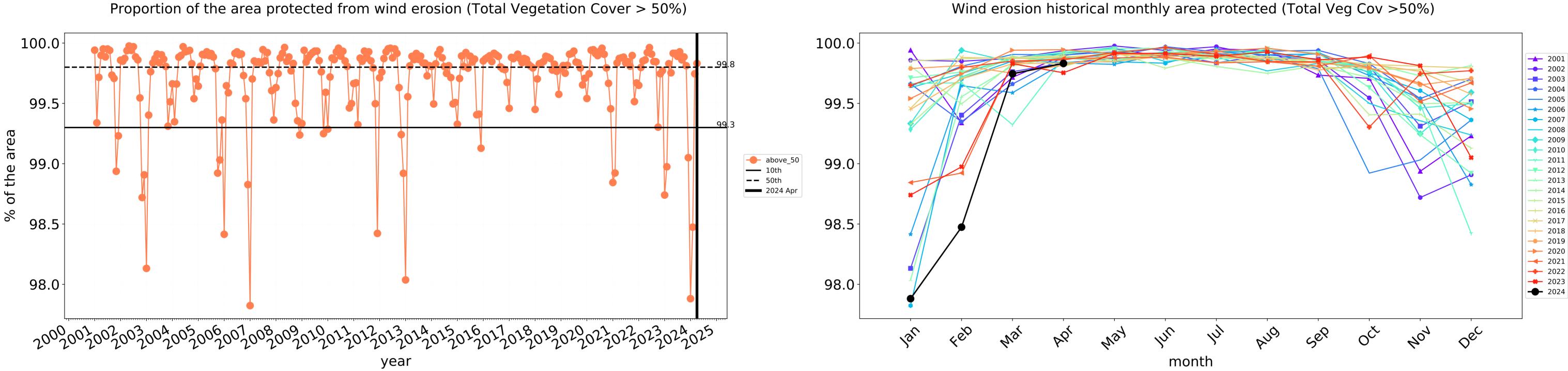


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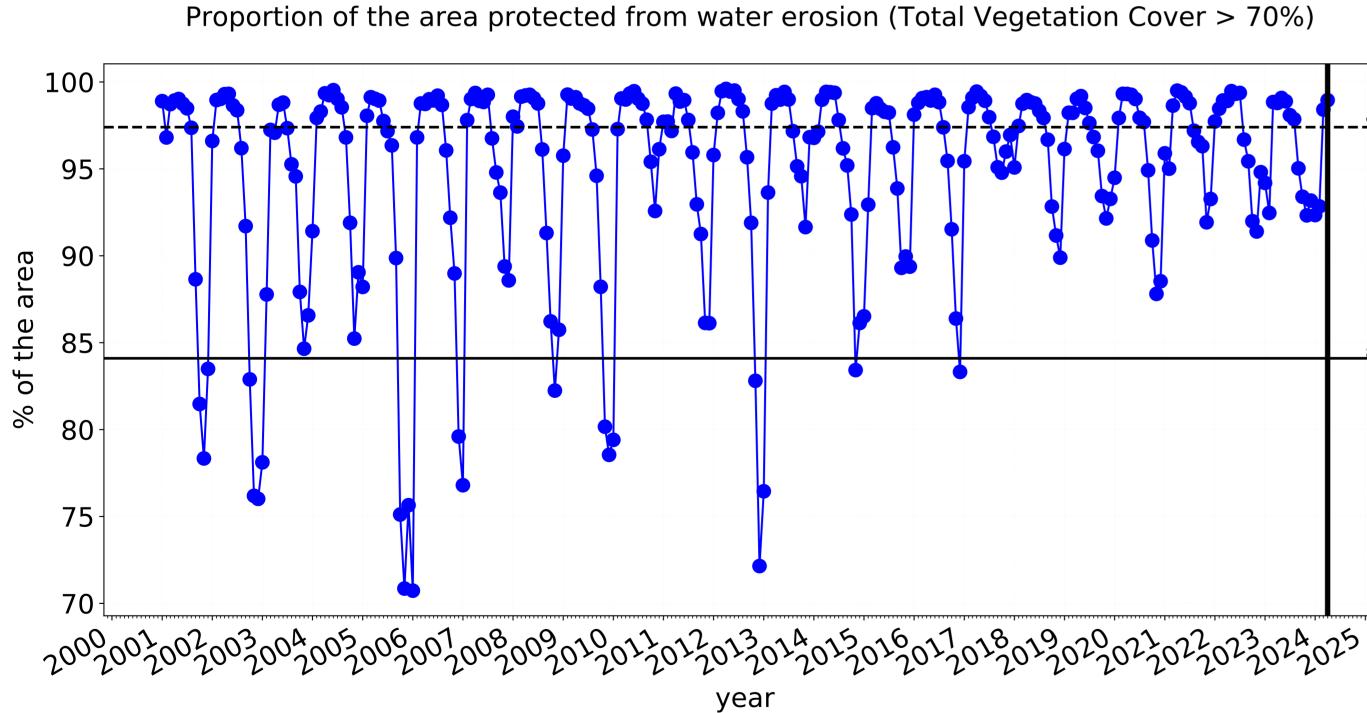








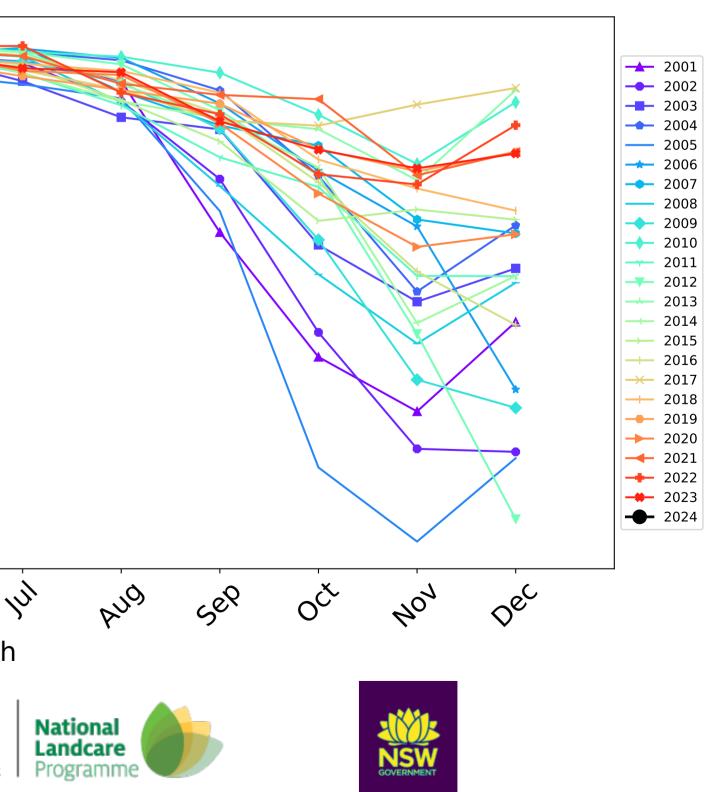
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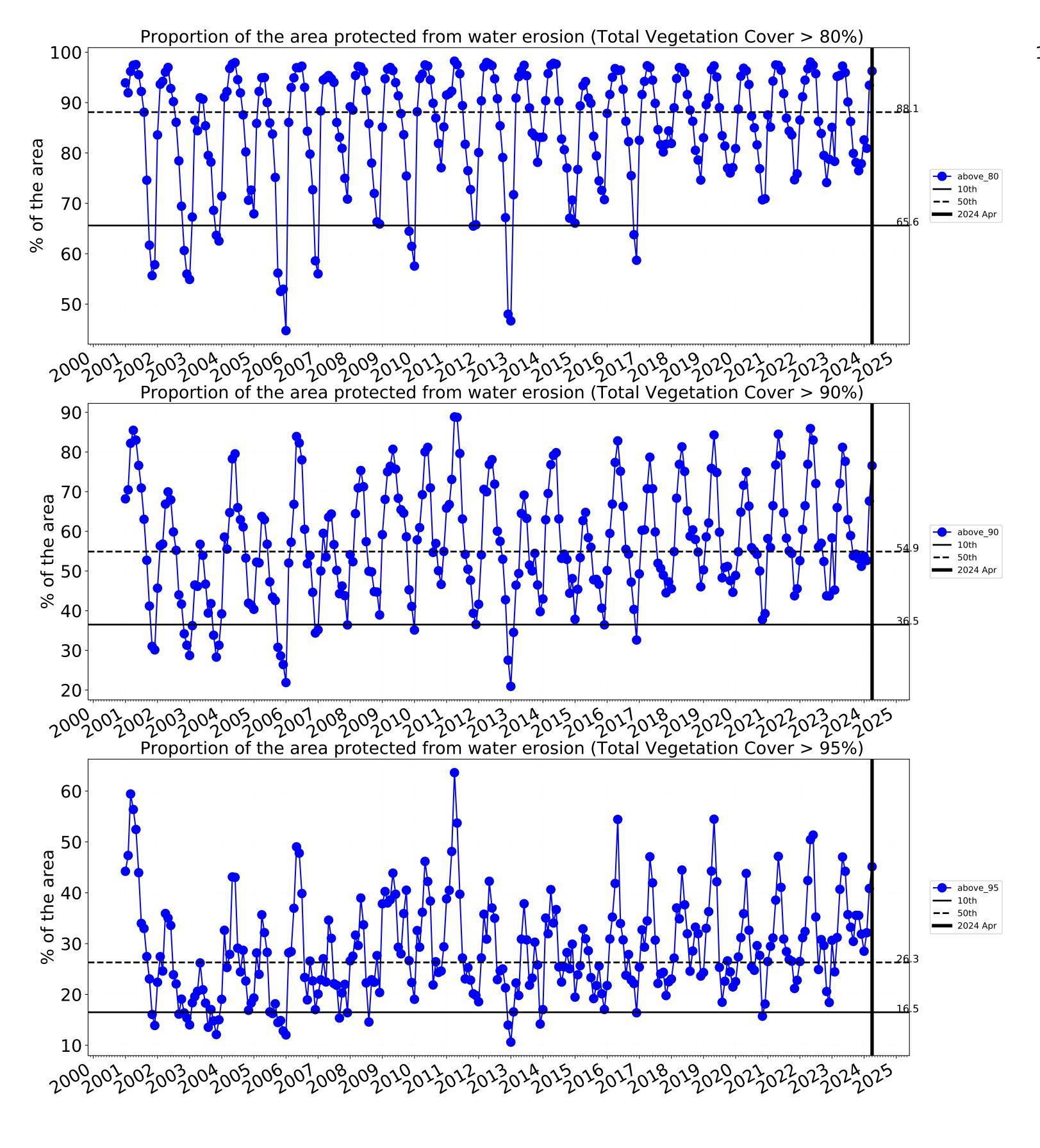


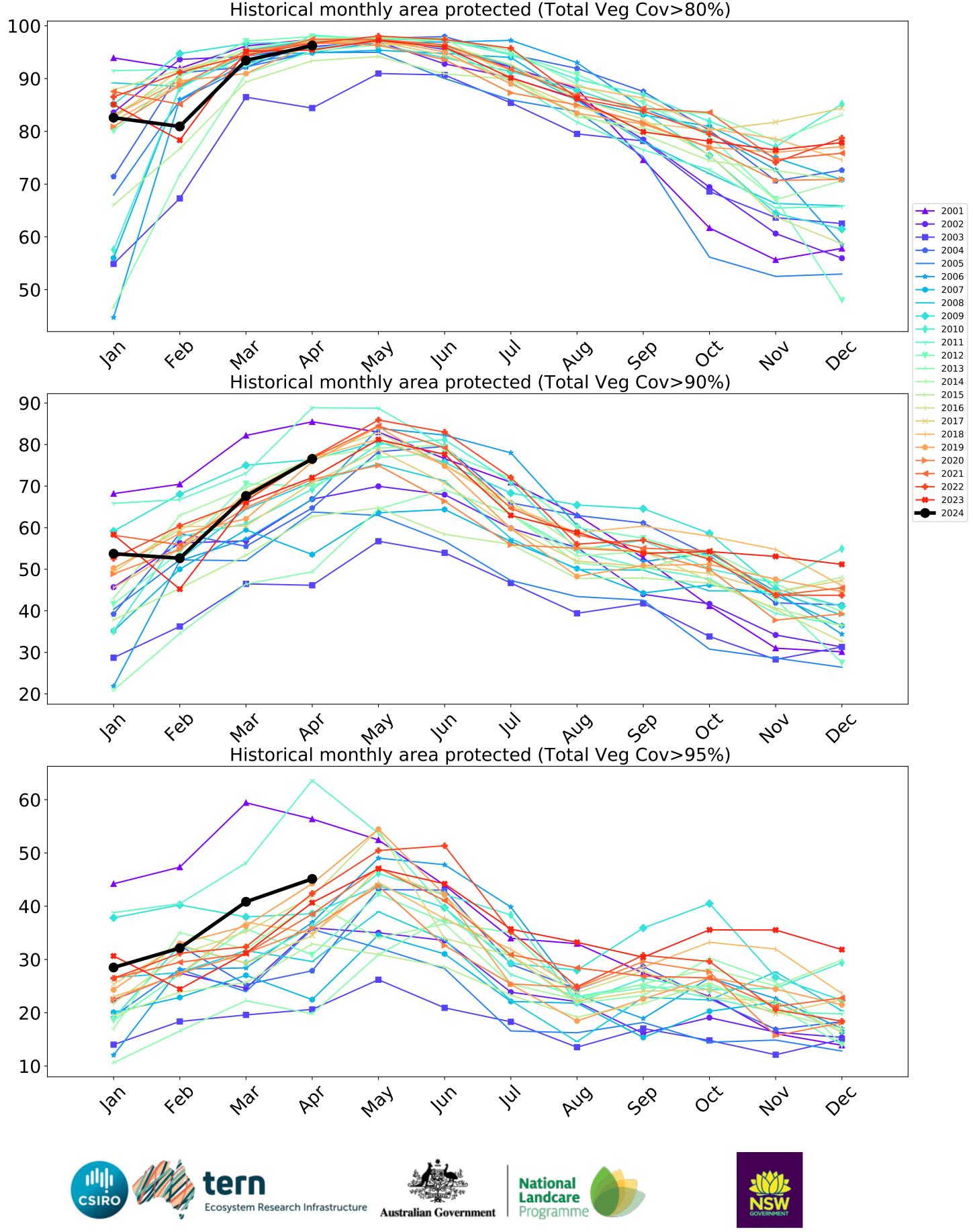
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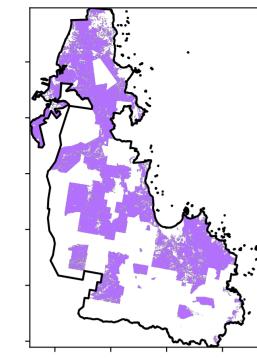






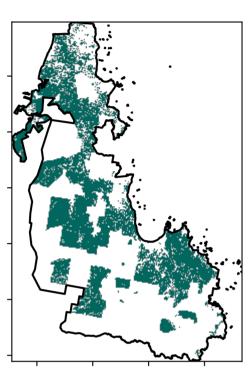
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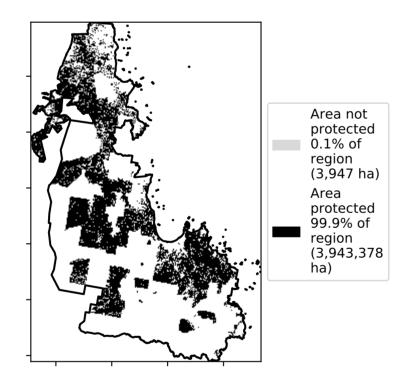


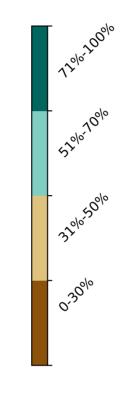
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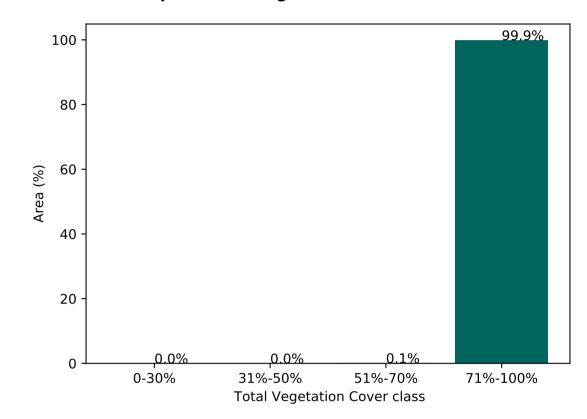


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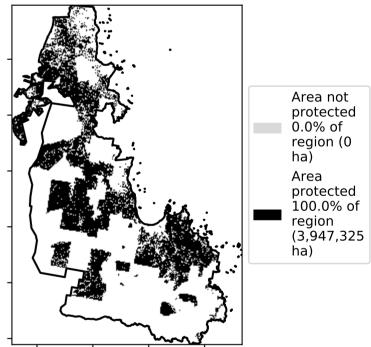




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



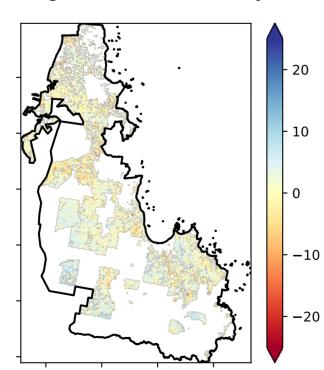
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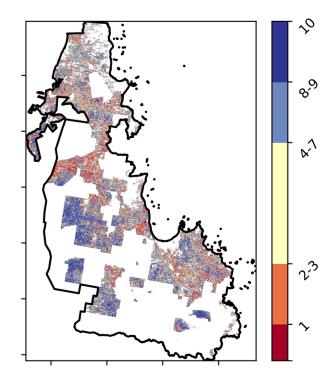
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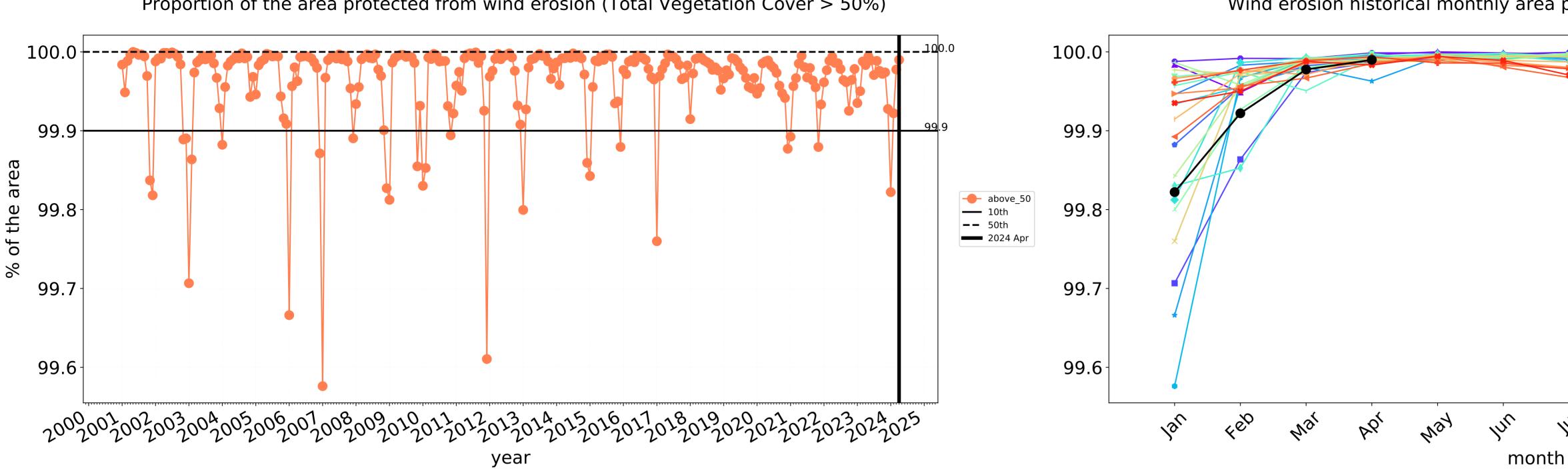
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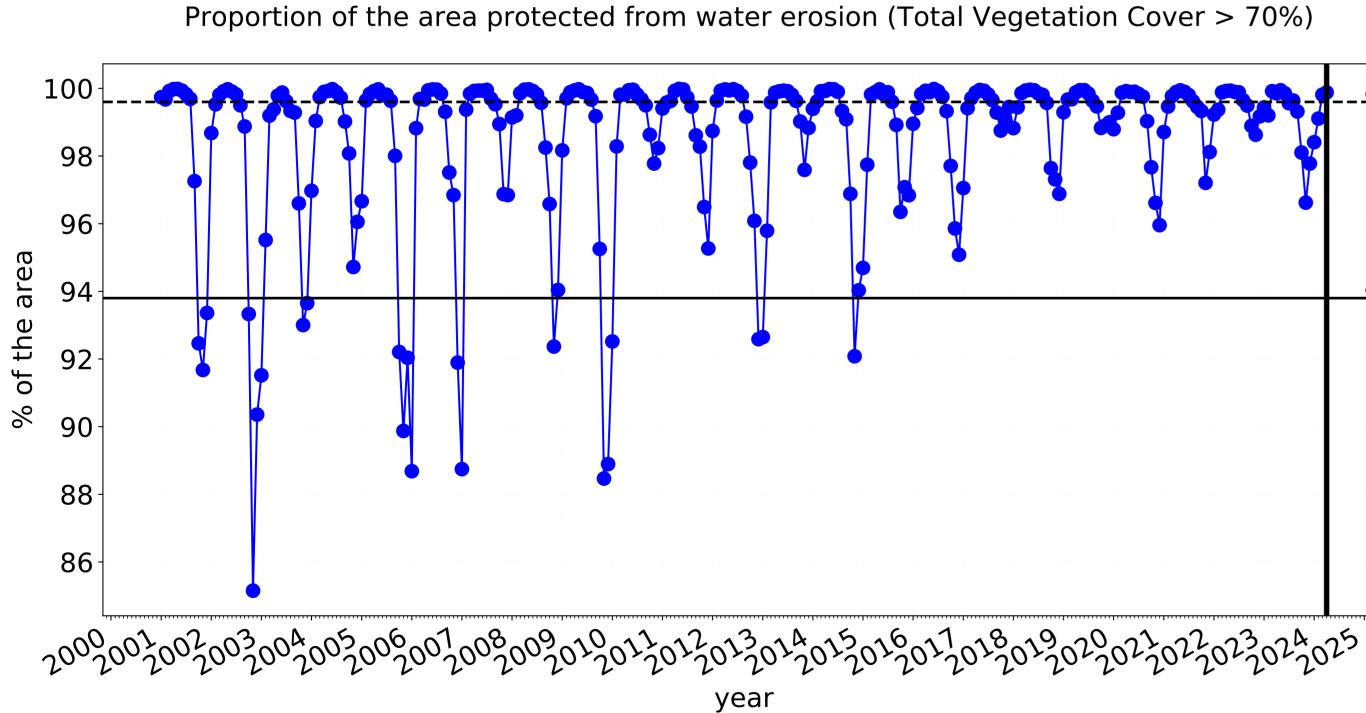
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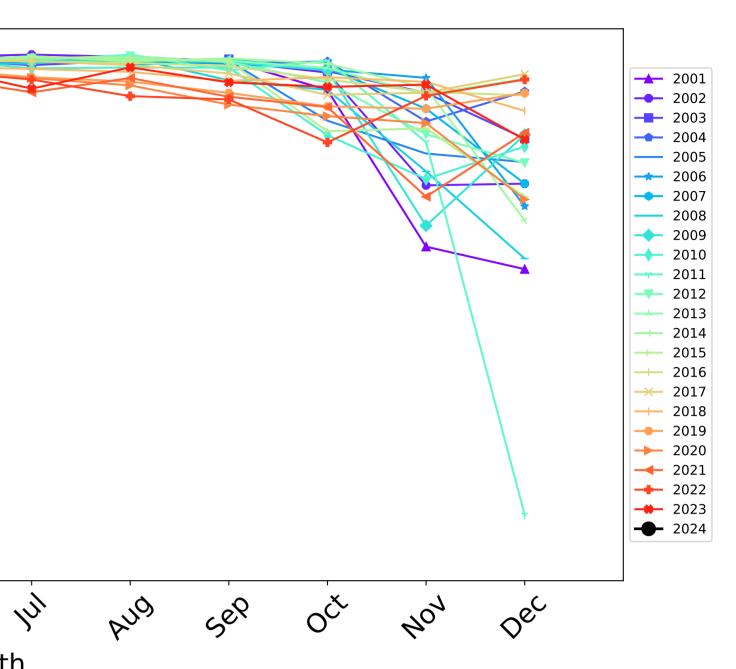
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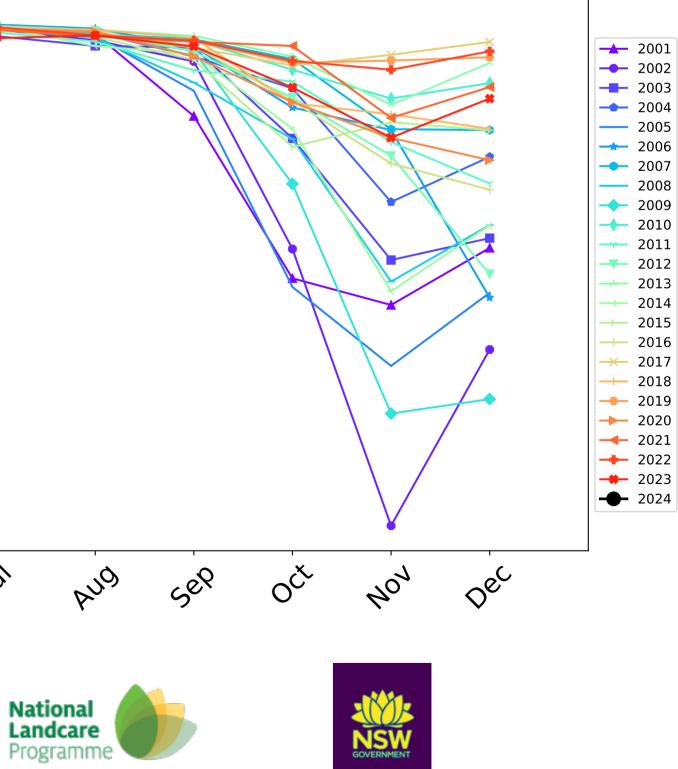
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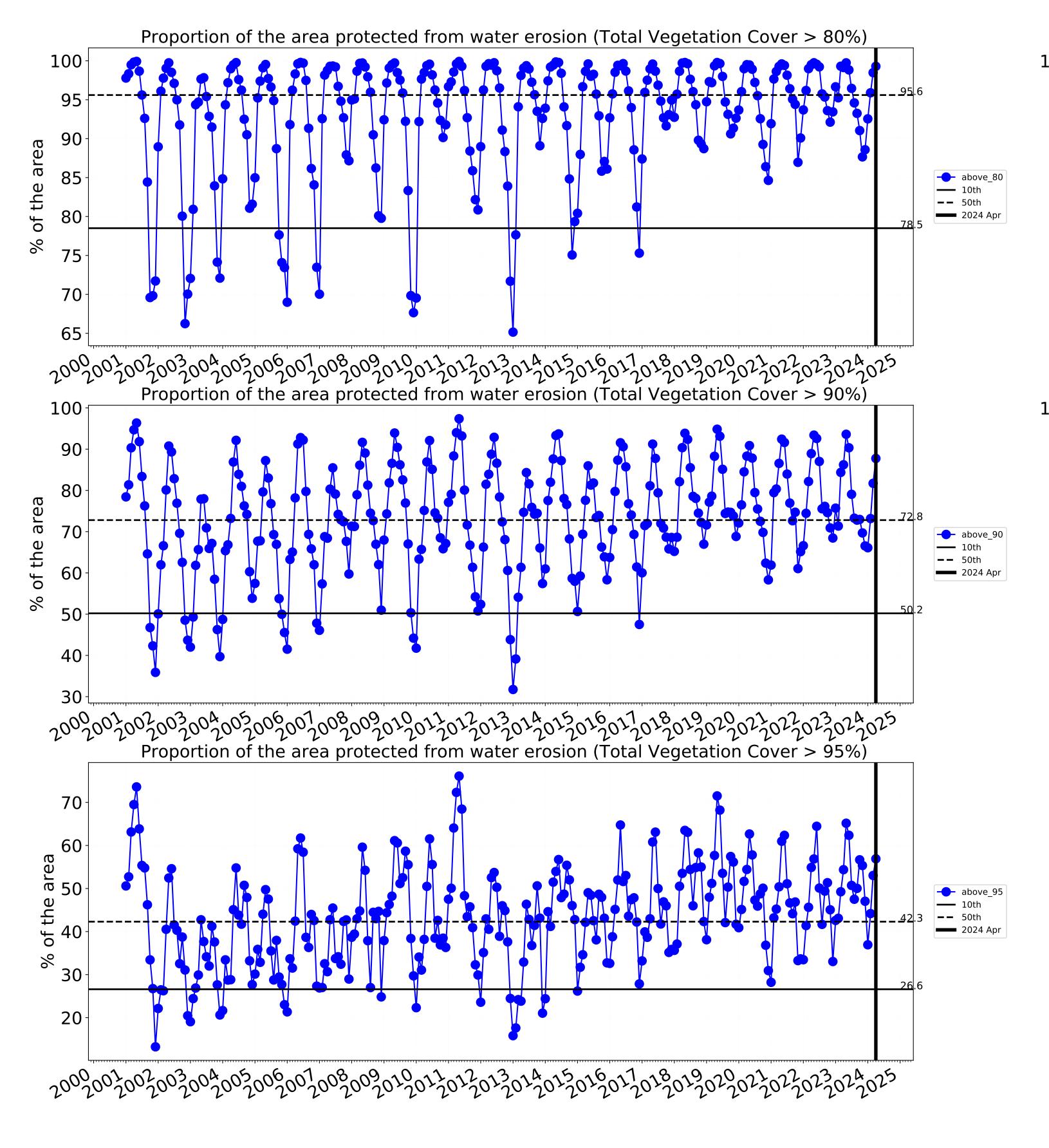
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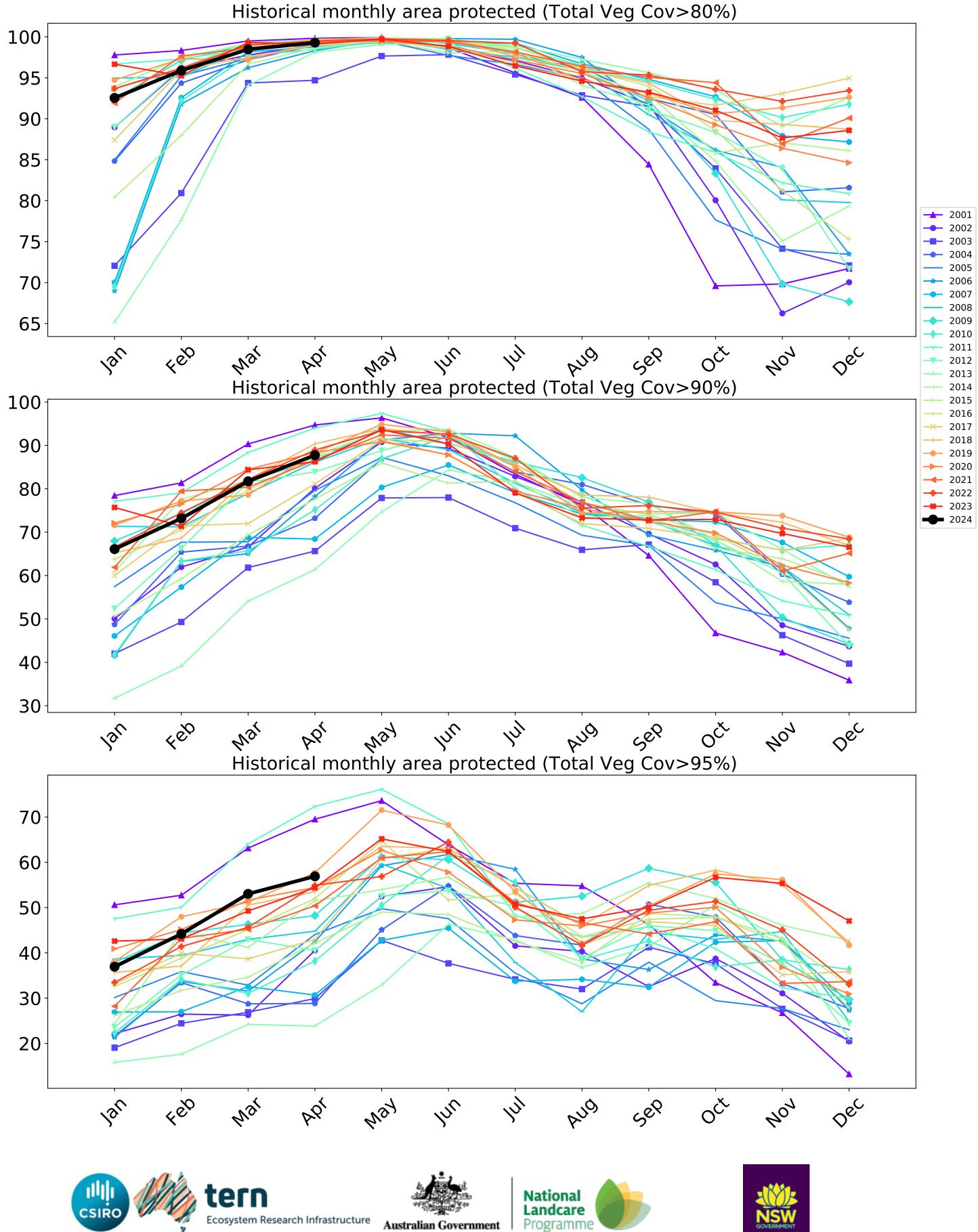
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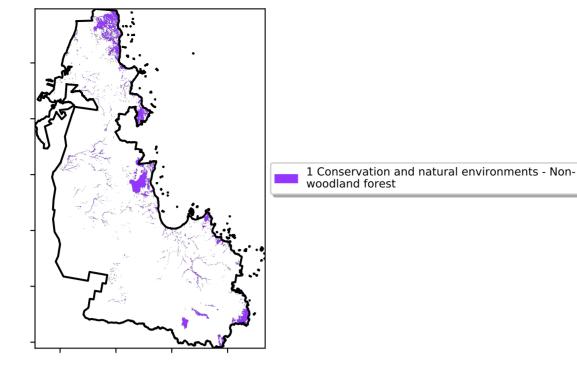




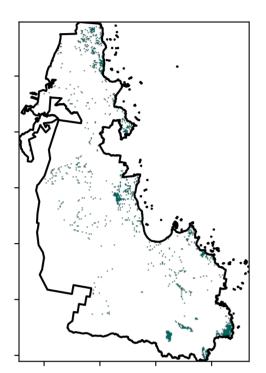
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Land use and forest cover

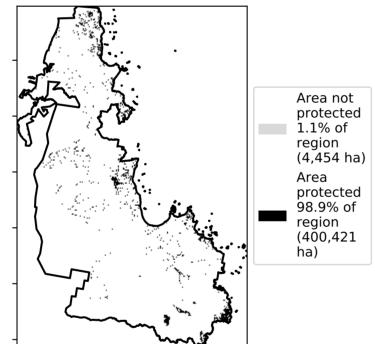
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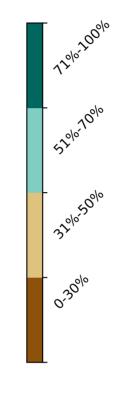


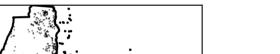
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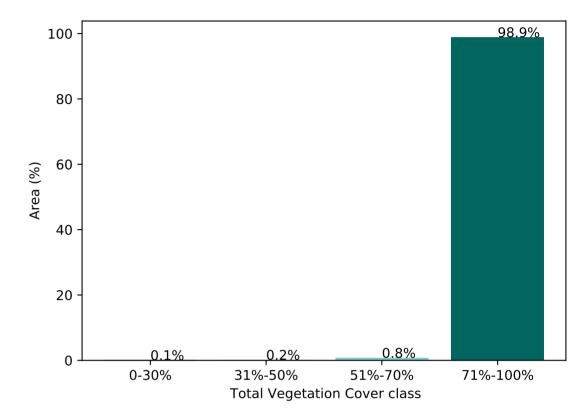
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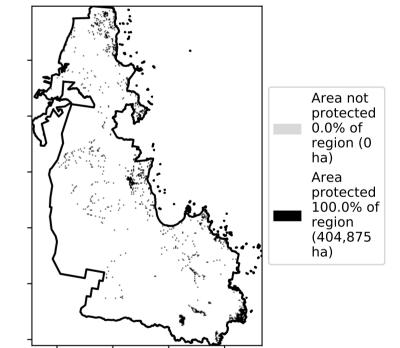






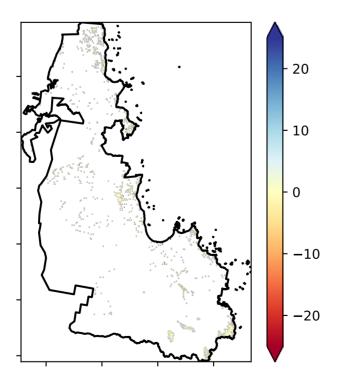


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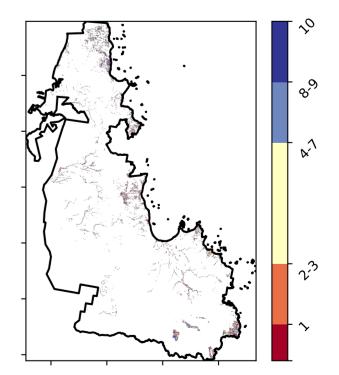
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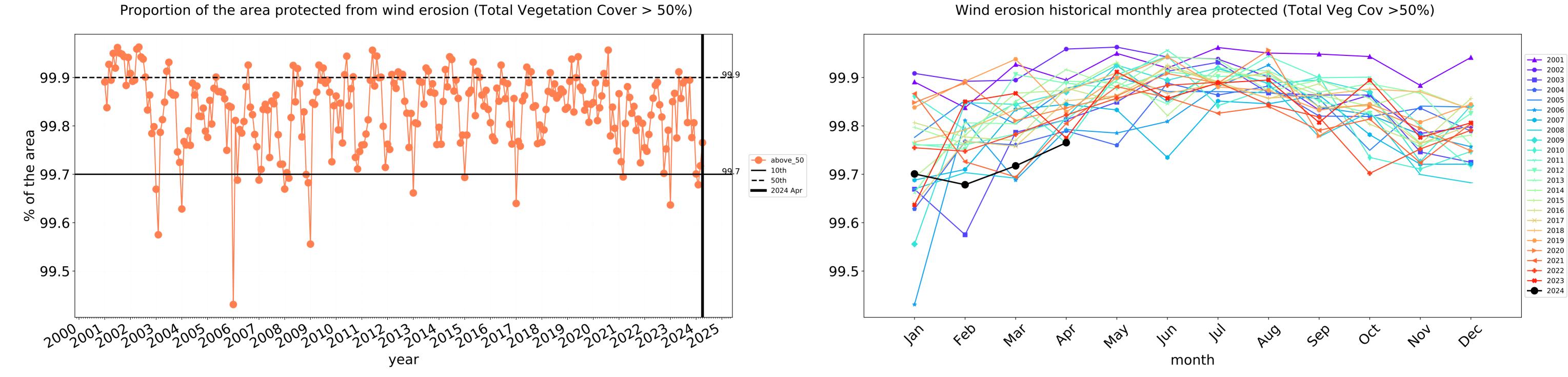


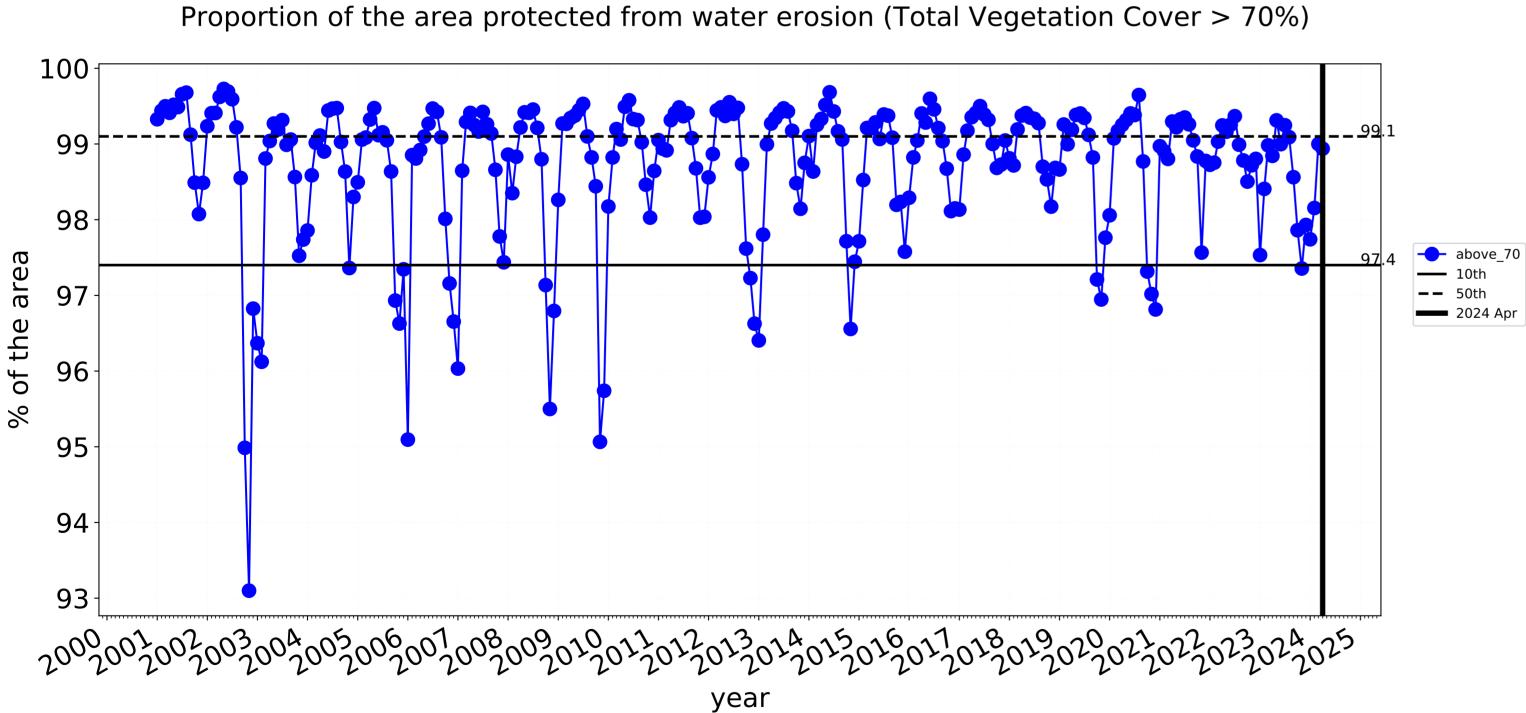
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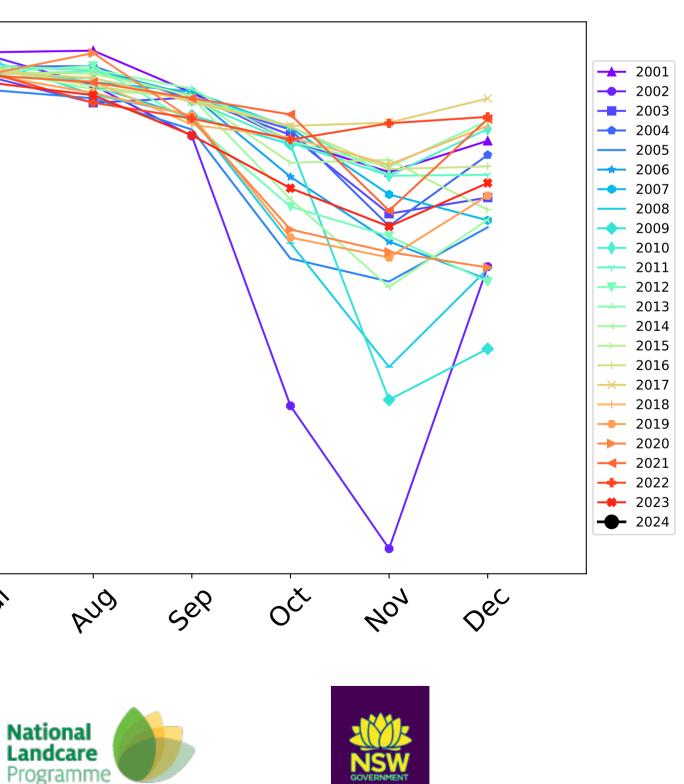


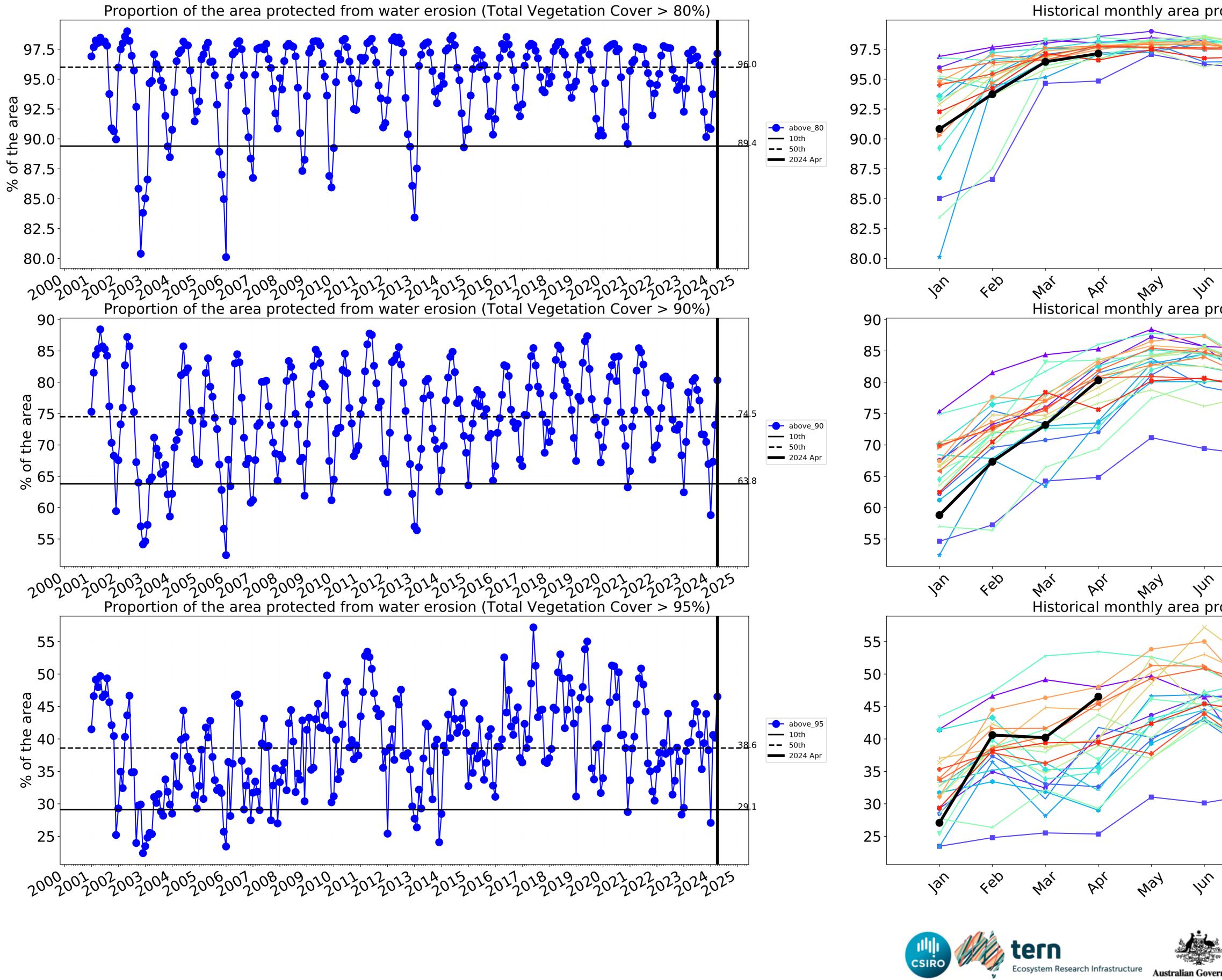




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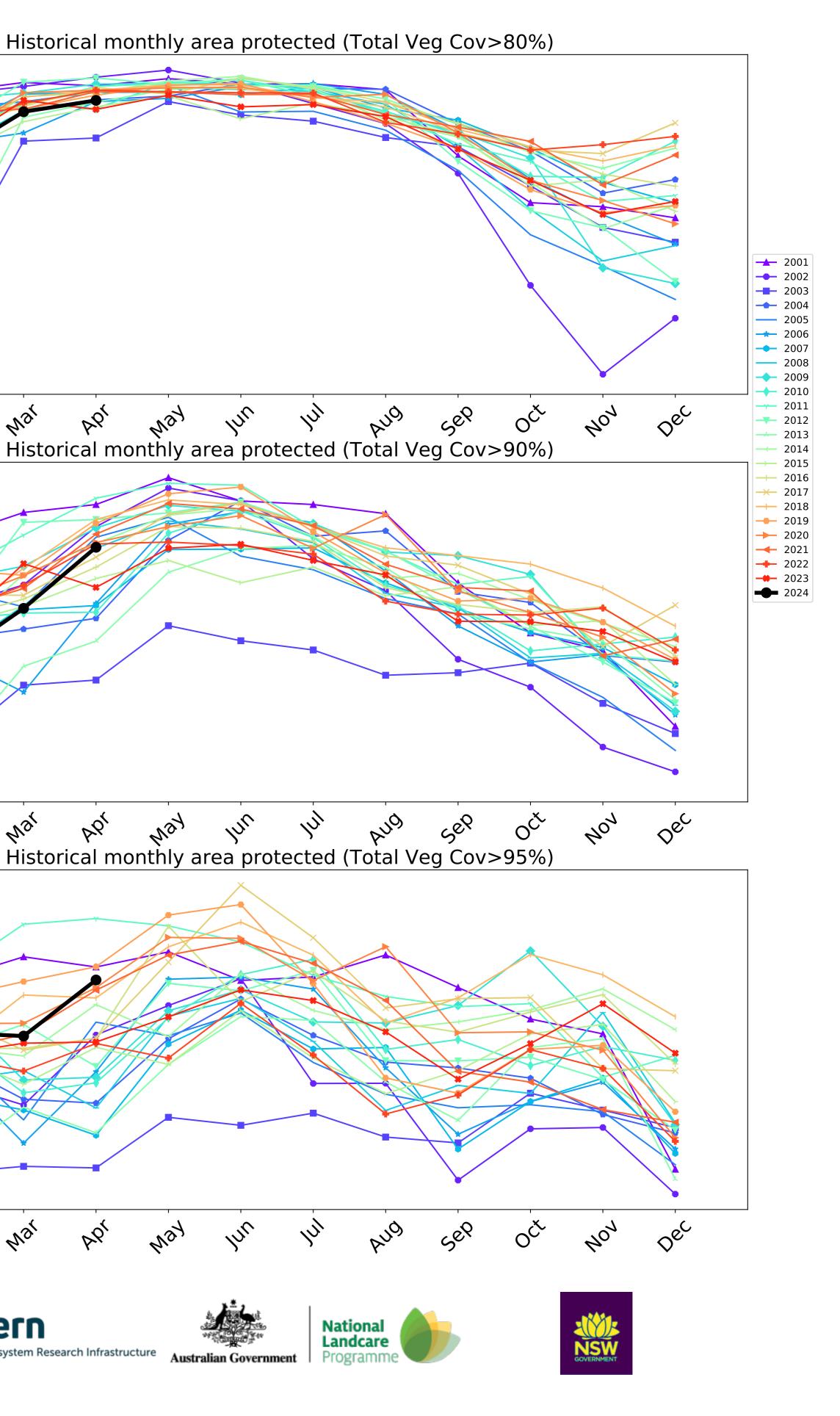
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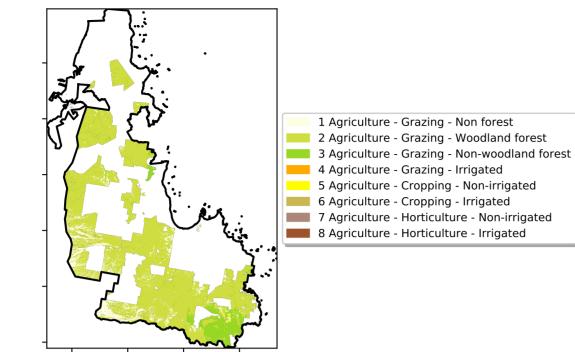
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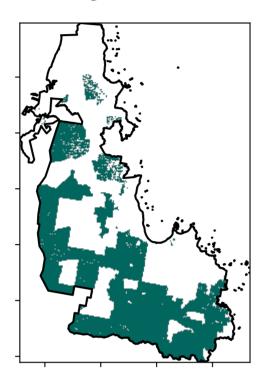


## Agriculture

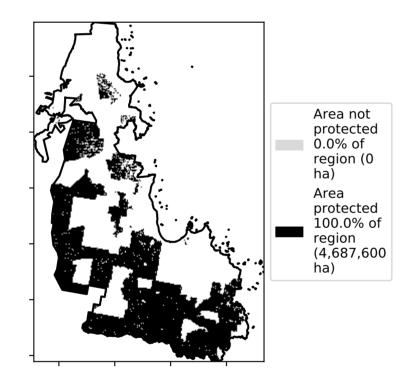
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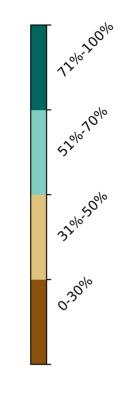


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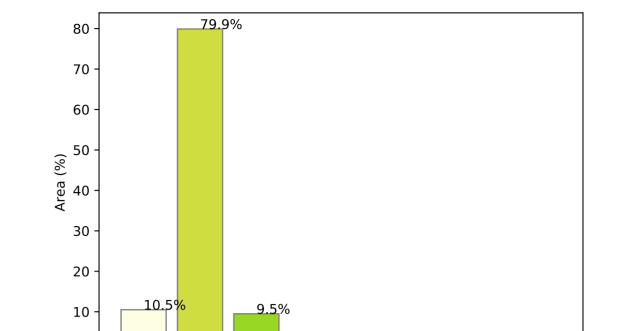
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4 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated

8 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated

2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest

5 Agriculture - Cropping - Non-irrigated



### Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

Land use class

0.0%

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2

0.1%

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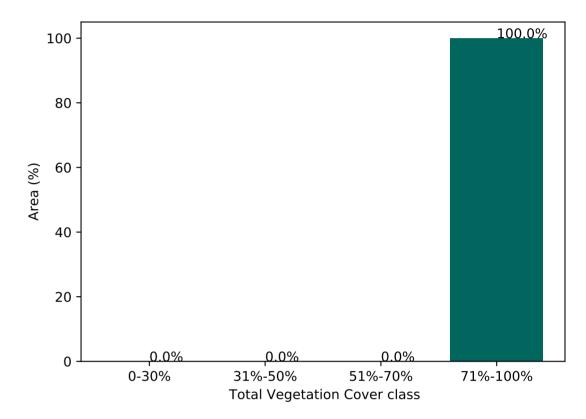
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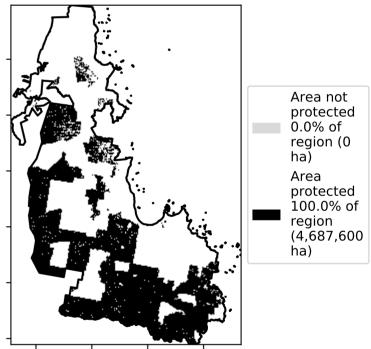
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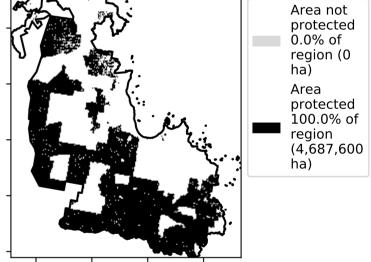
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% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





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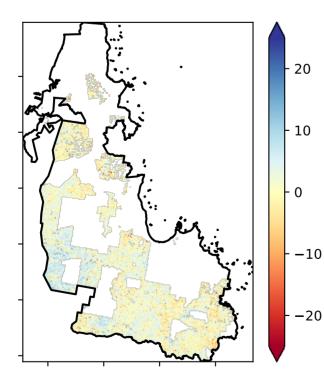
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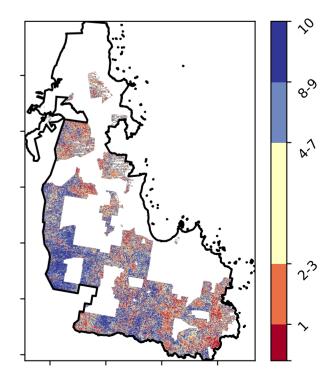
Use of Australia

(2018) and Forests

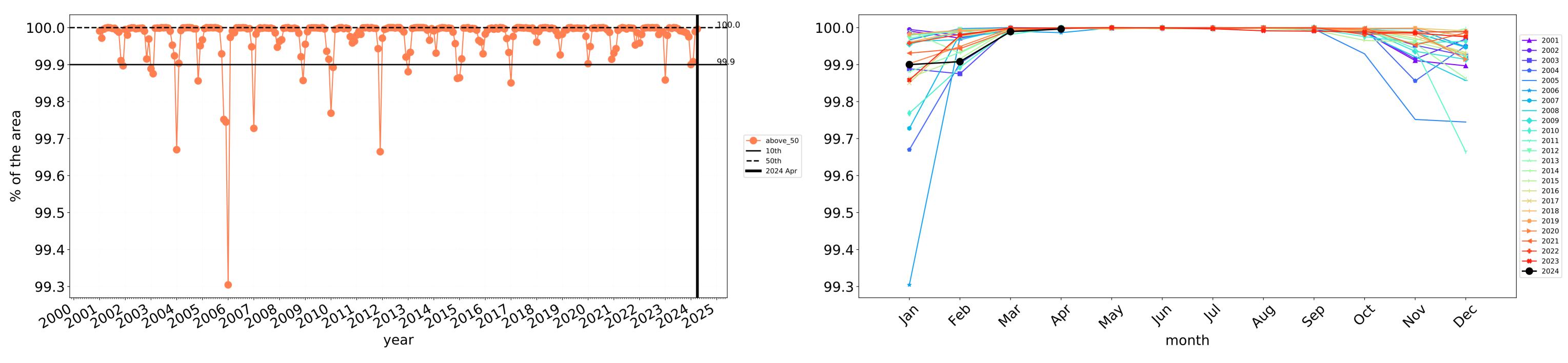
of Australia (2018)



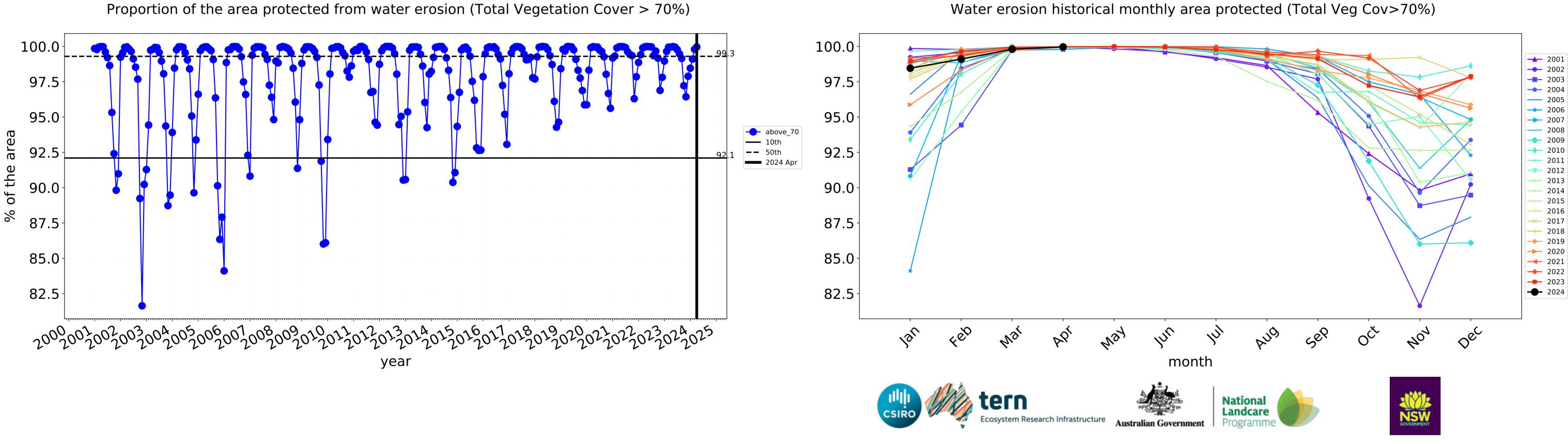
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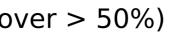




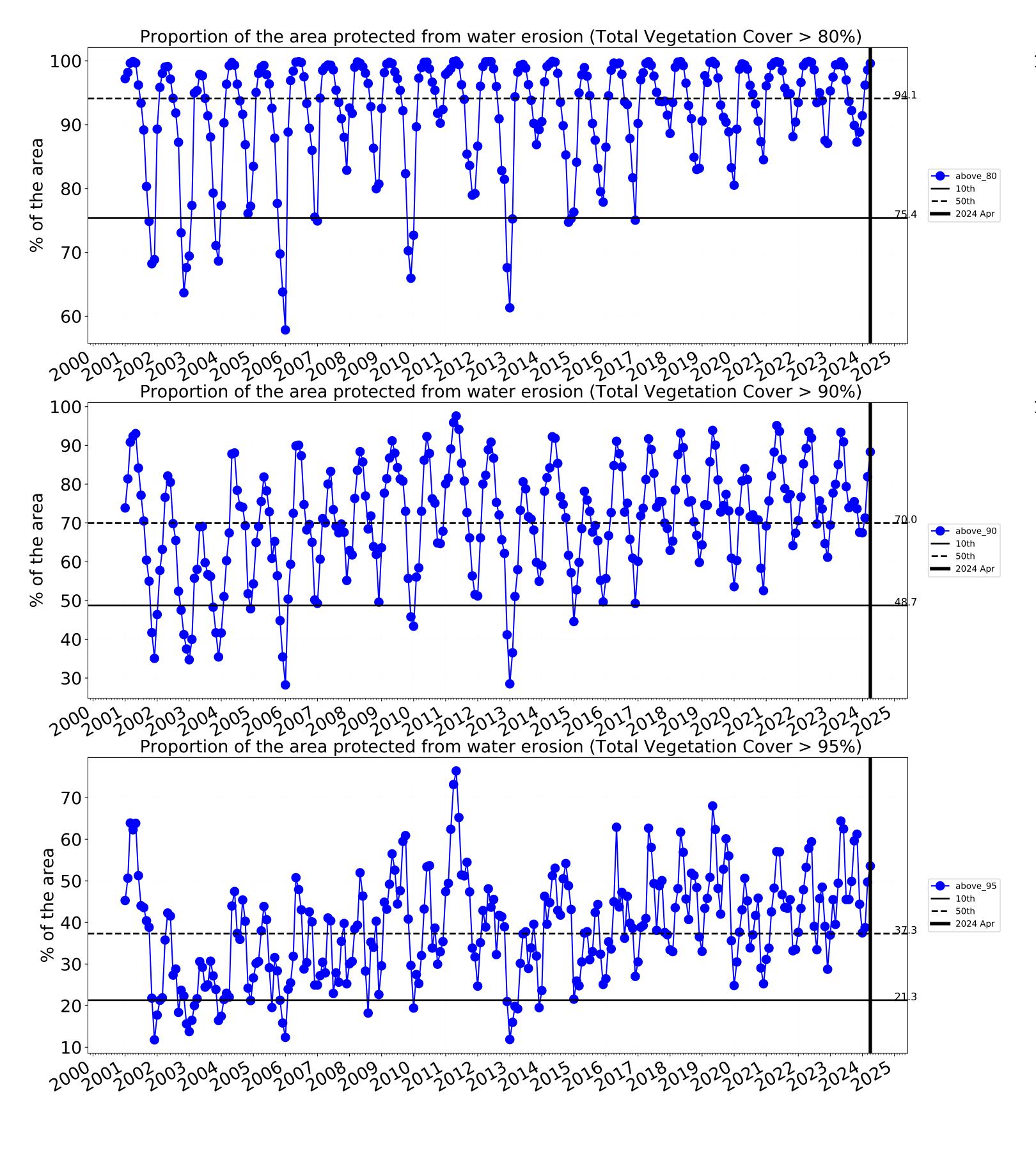


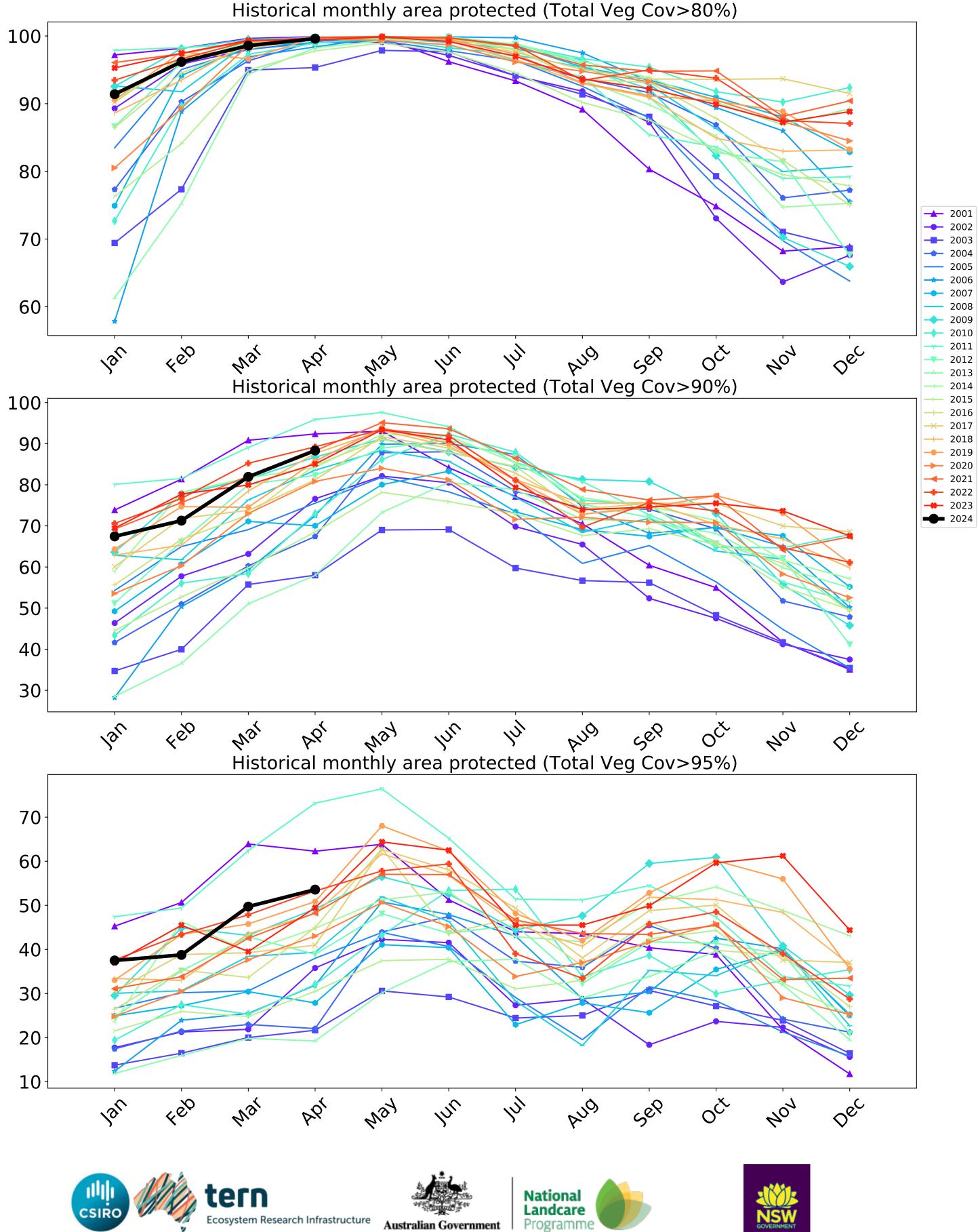
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)





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



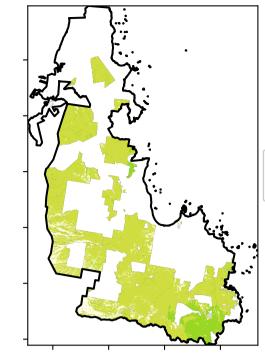




## Grazing

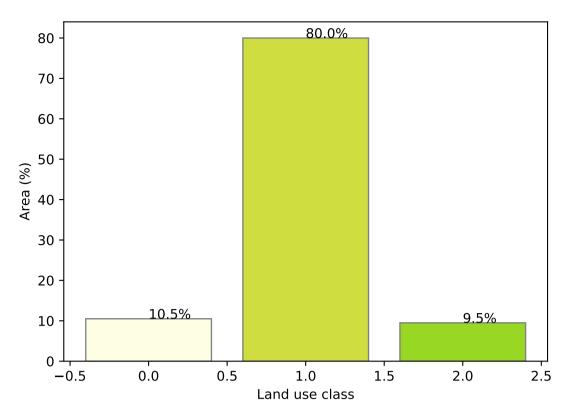
### Land use and forest cover

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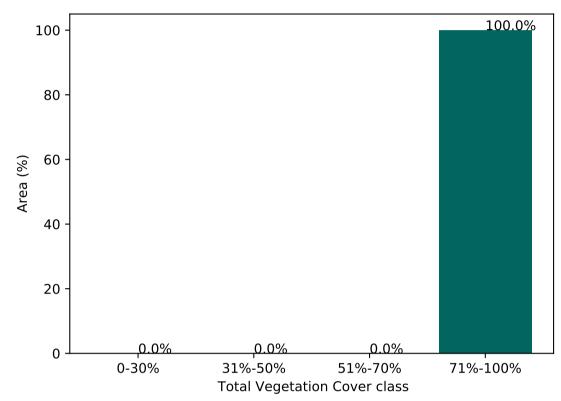


1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest 2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest 3 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest

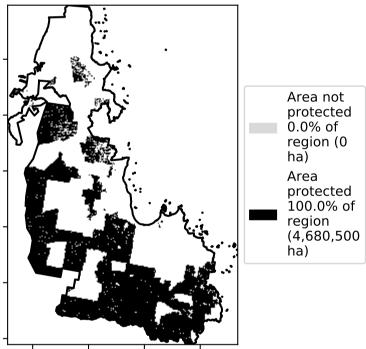
### Proportion of each land class in area



### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

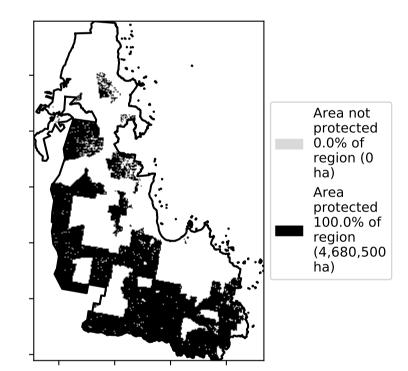


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

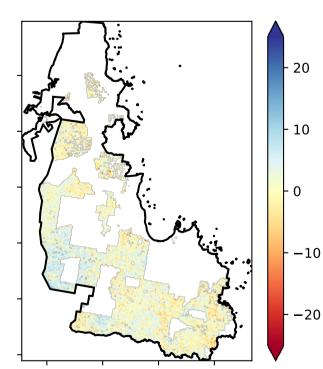
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



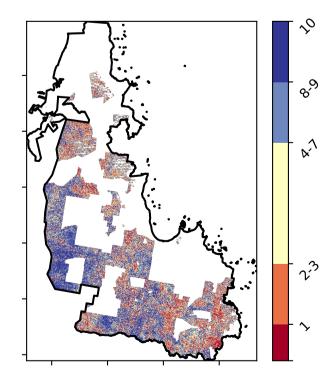
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

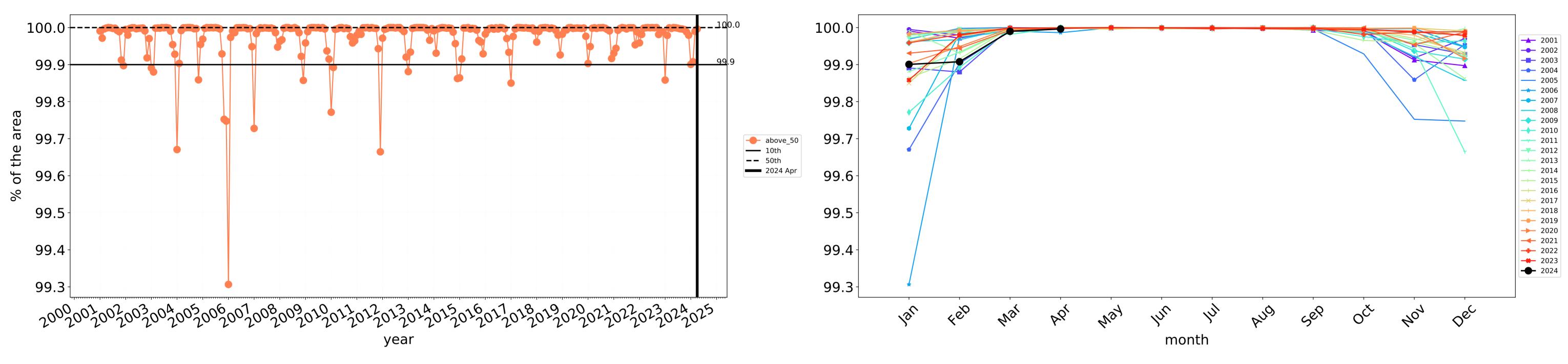
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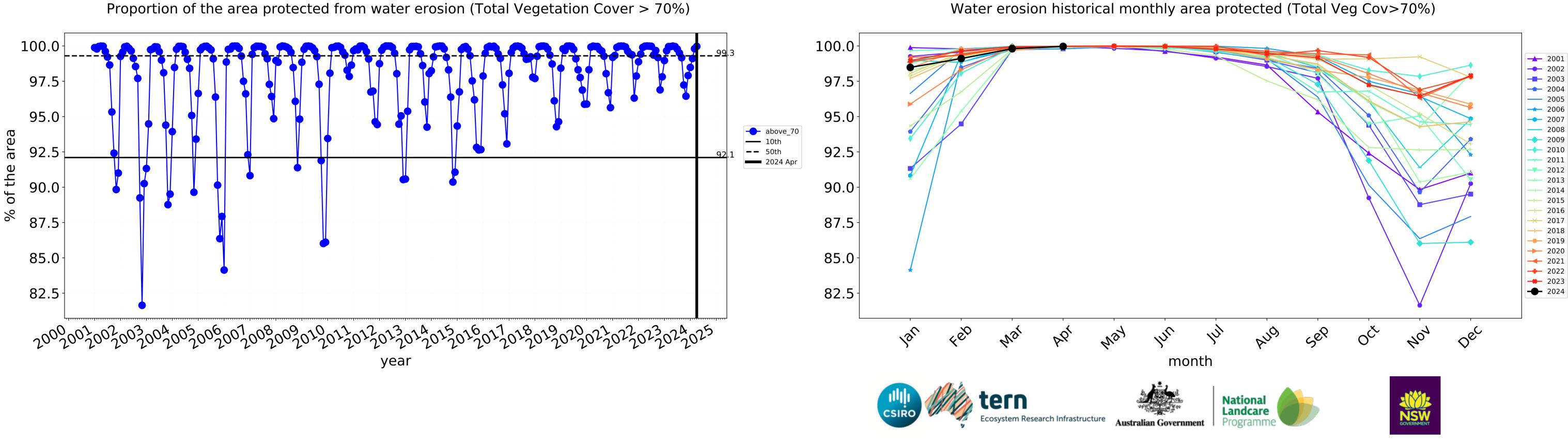
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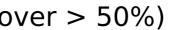






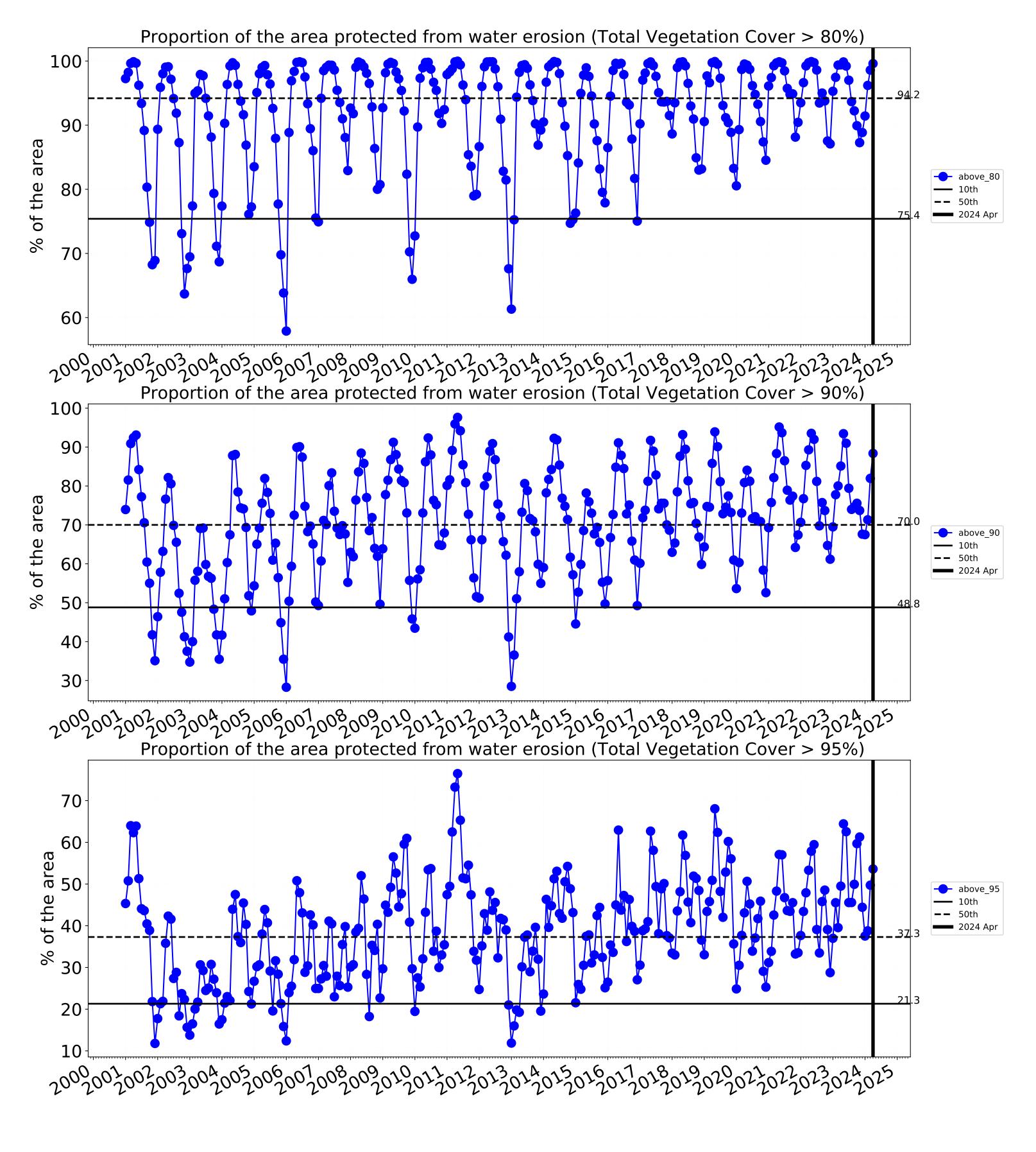
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

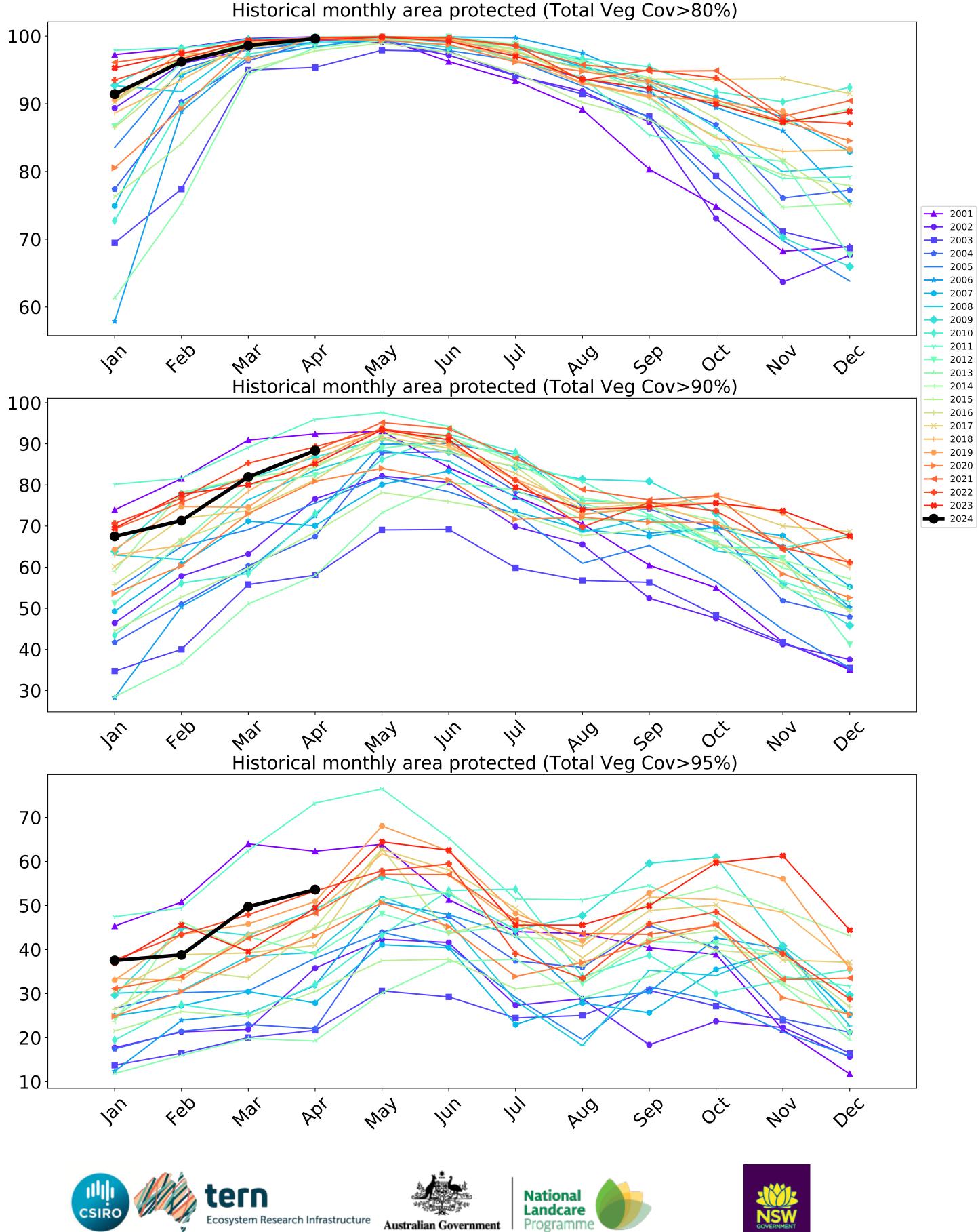




Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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

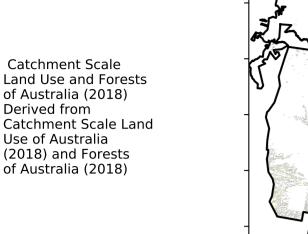






## **Grazing non forest**

### Land use and forest cover



1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest

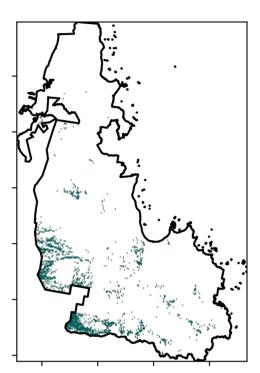
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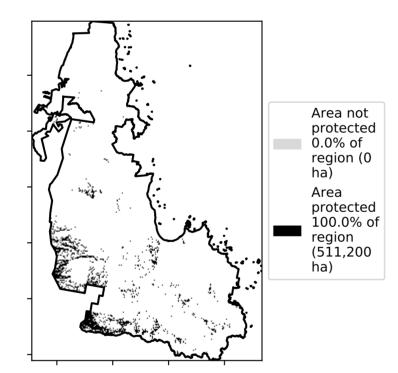
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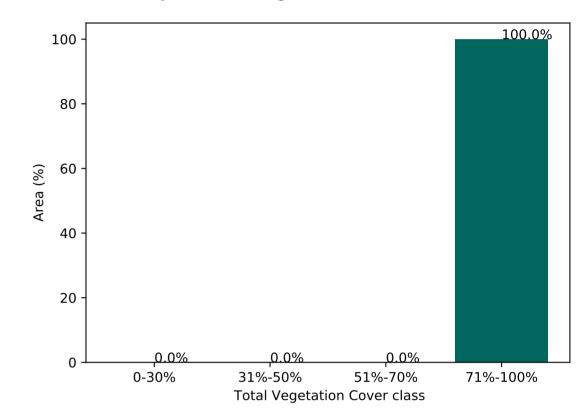
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



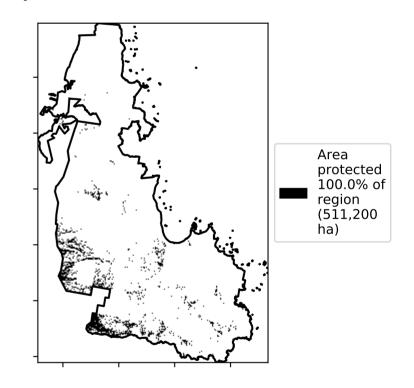






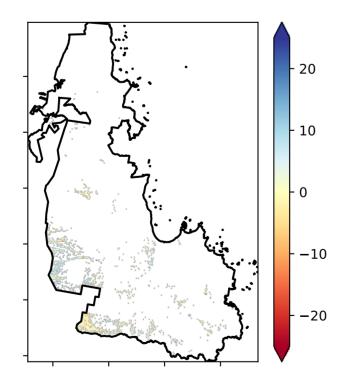


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

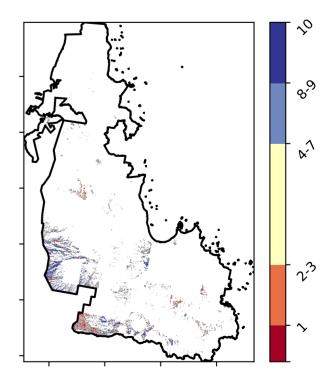


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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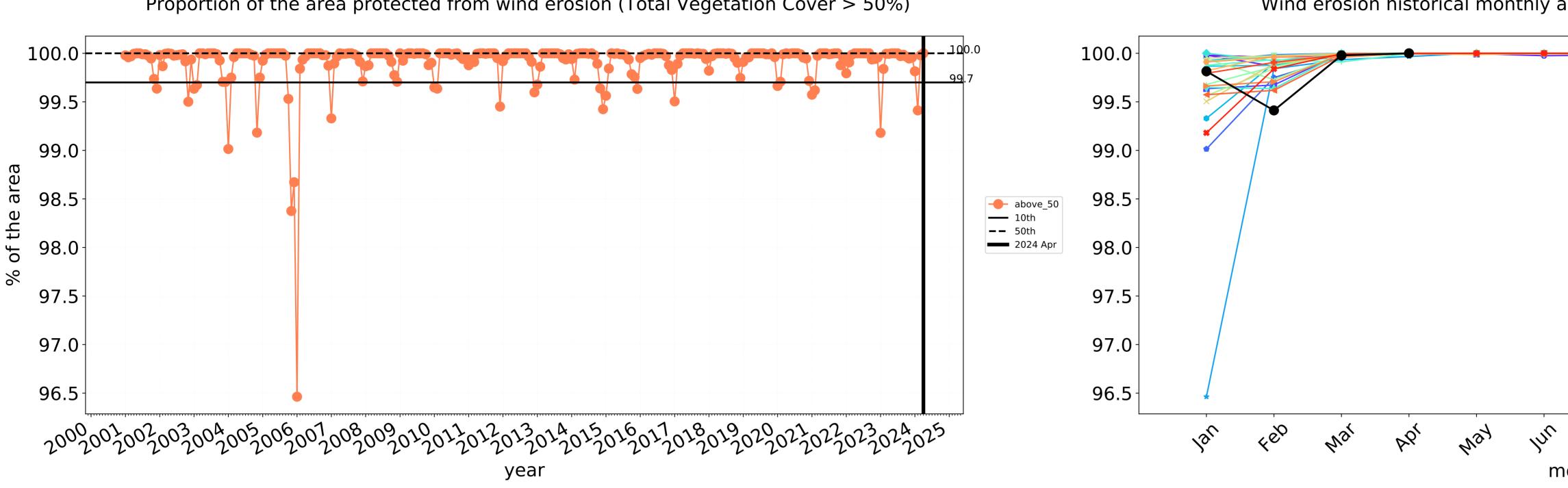


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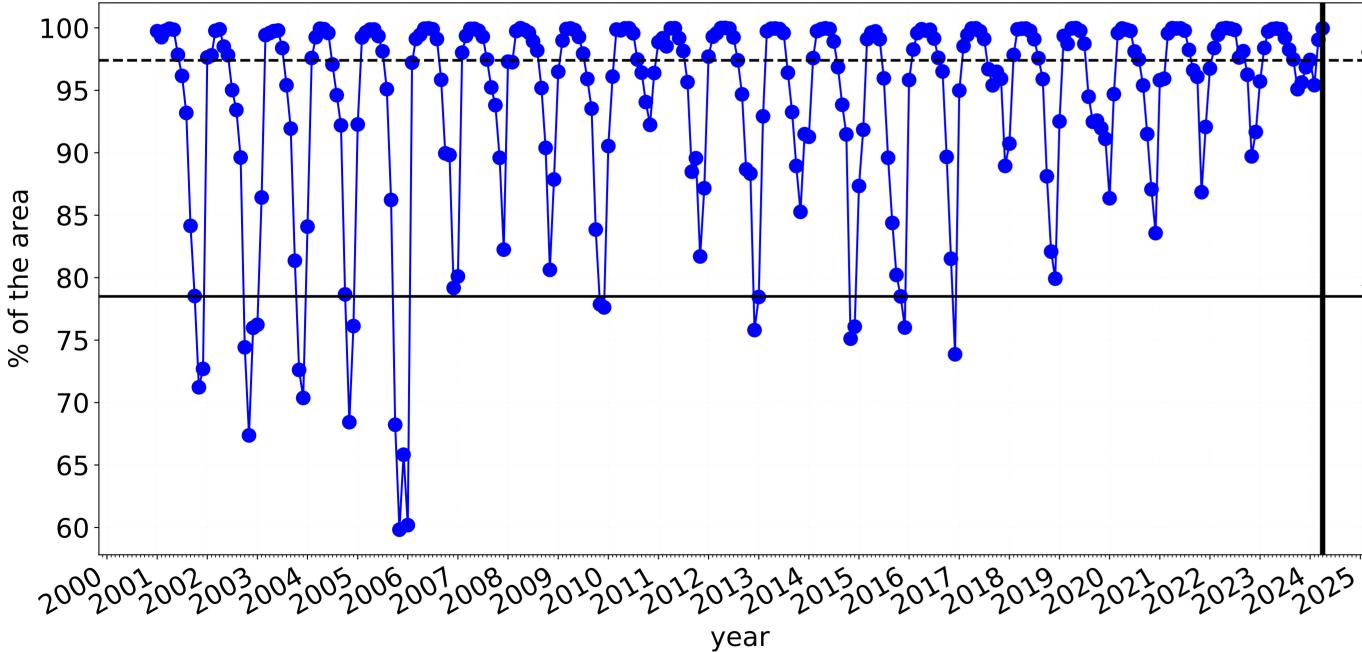






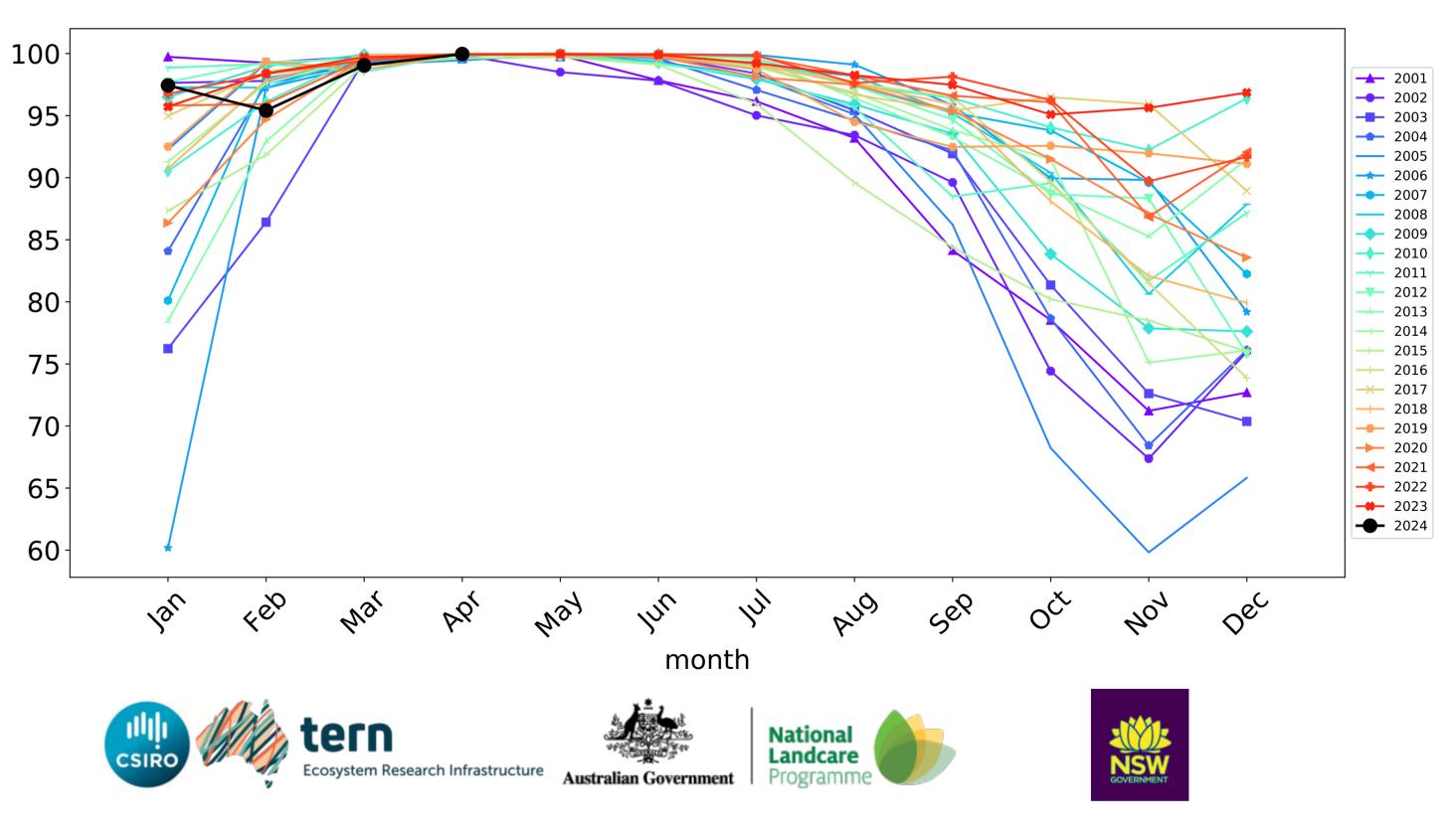
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

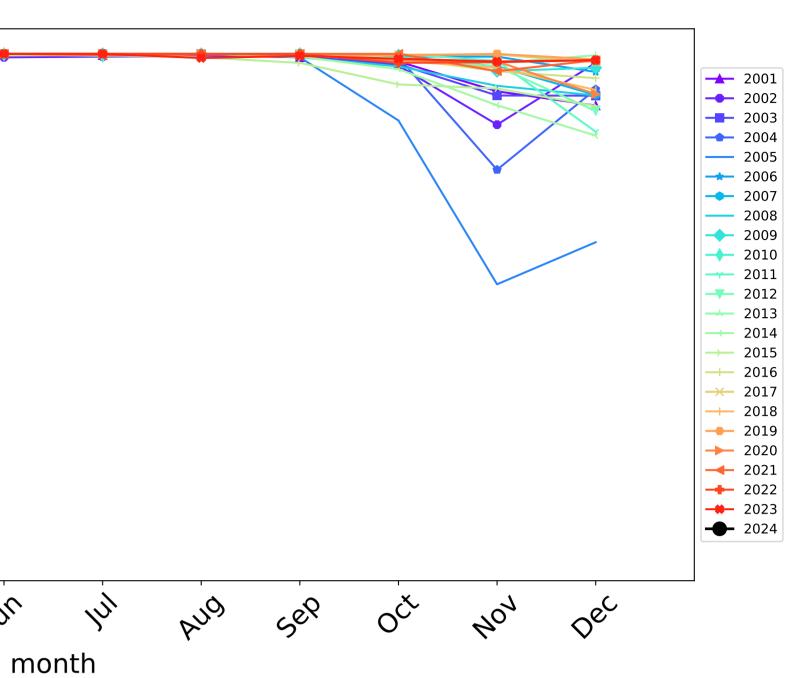


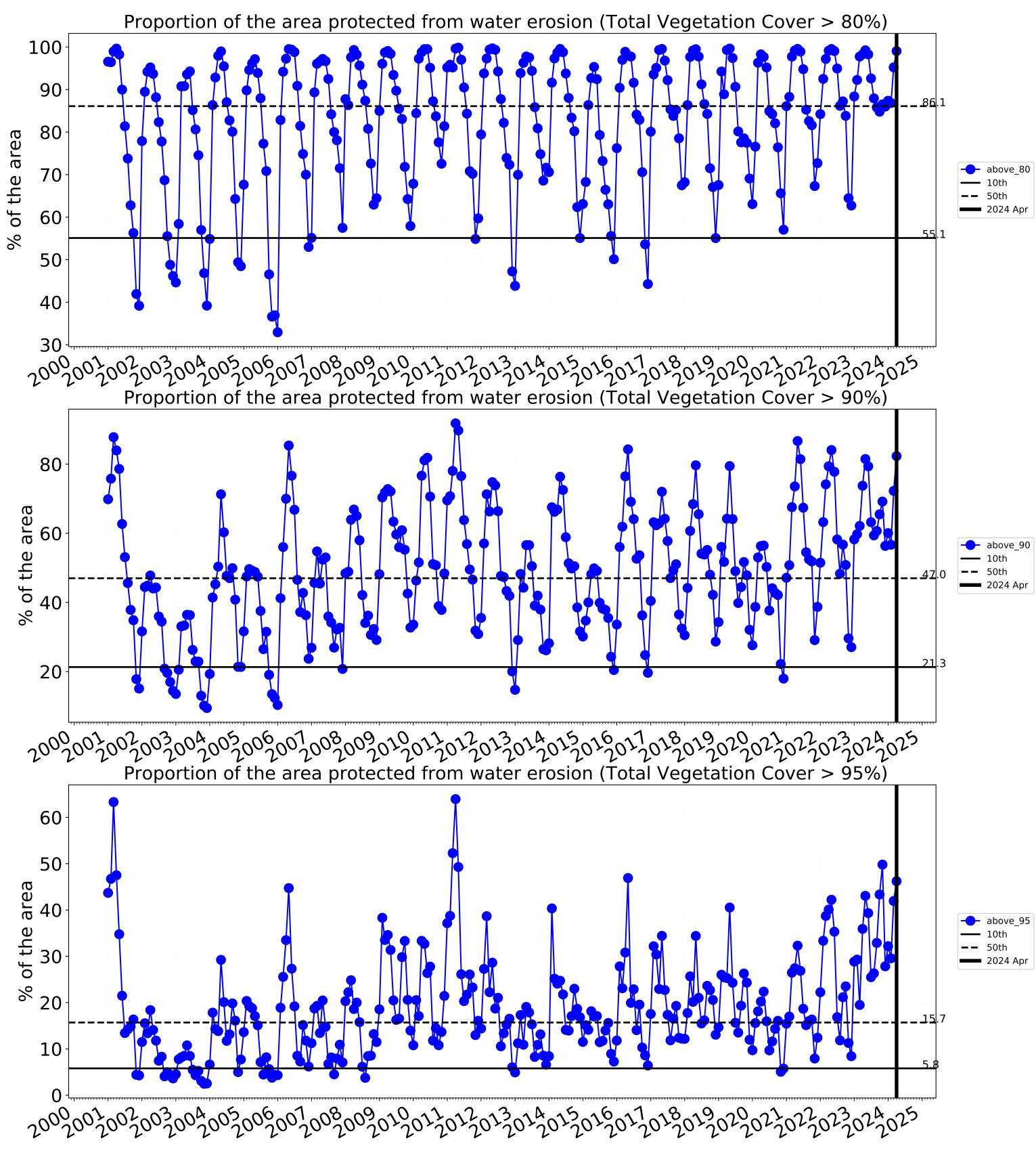


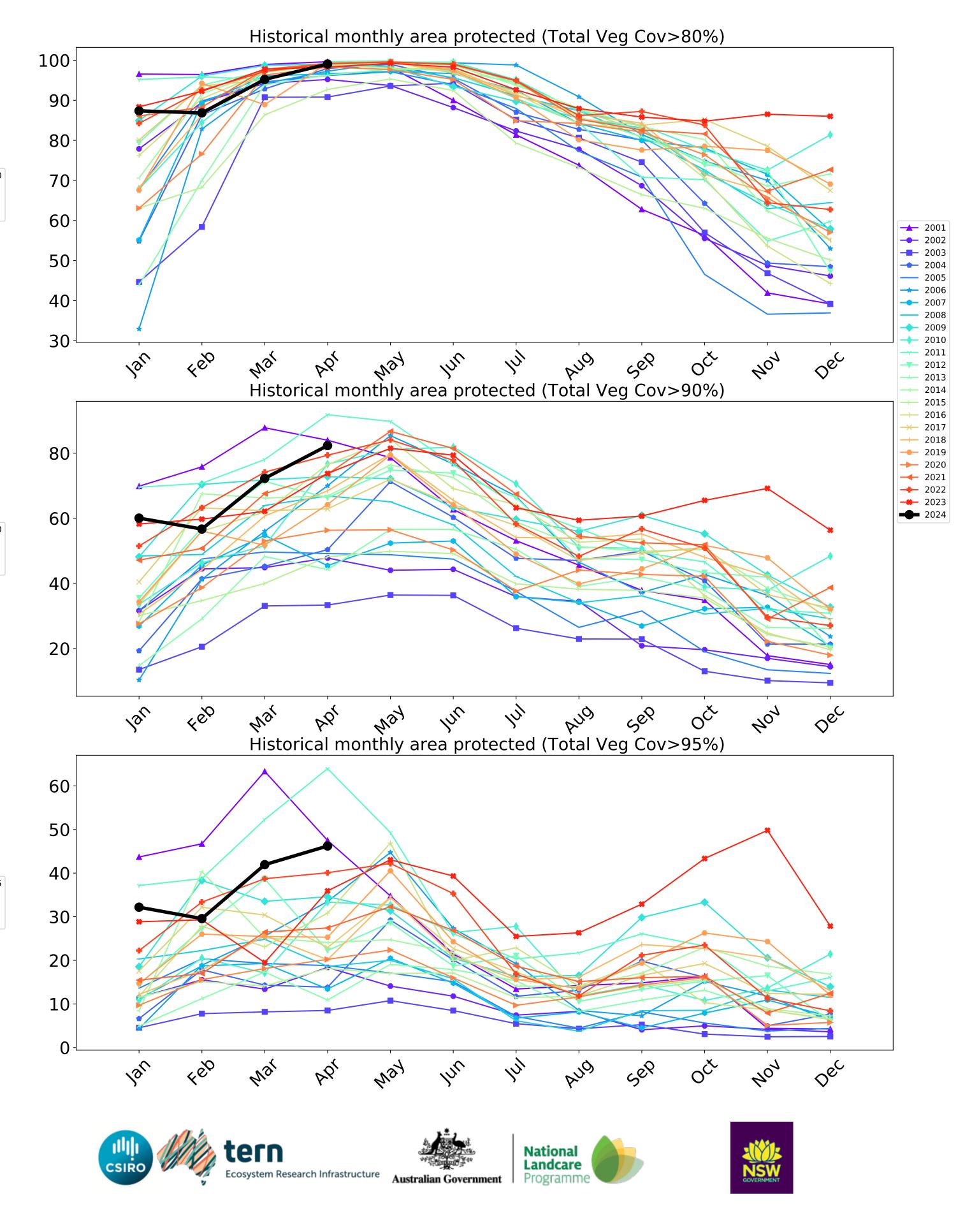
---- above\_70 **—** 10th **——** 50th **—** 2024 Apr

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



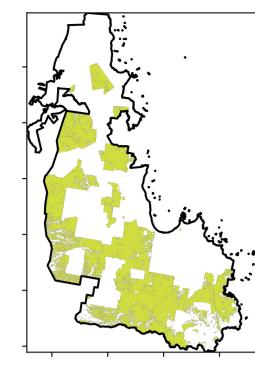






## **Grazing Woodland forest**

Land use and forest cover



1 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest

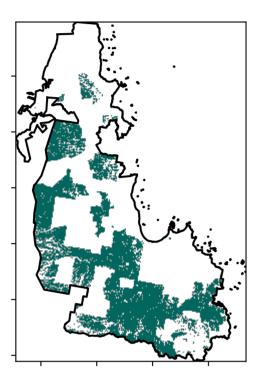
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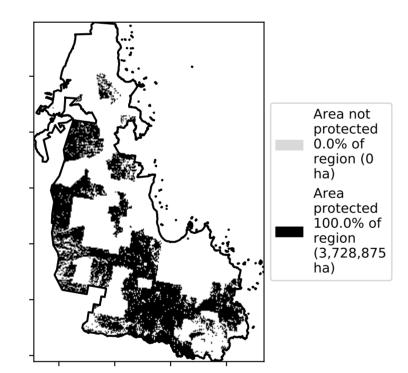
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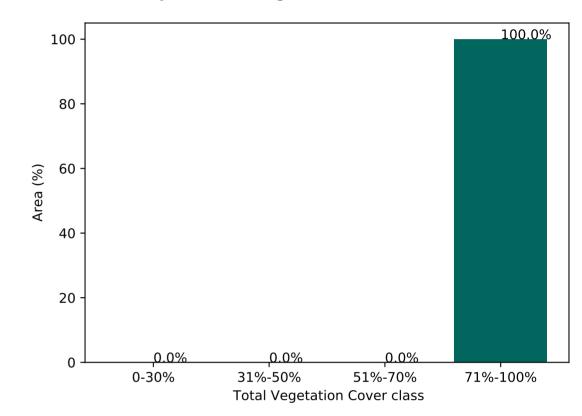
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



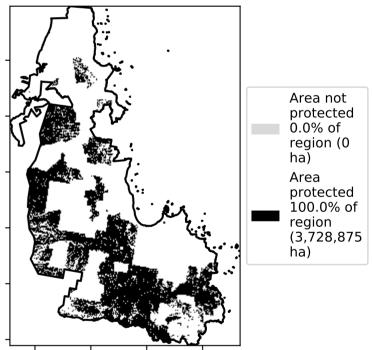
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







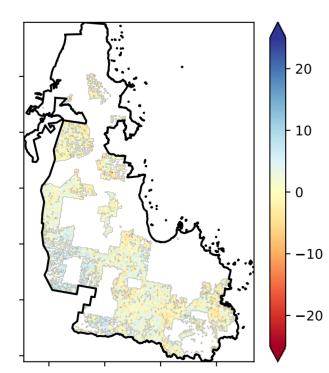
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



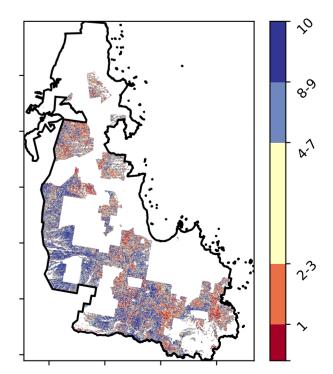
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

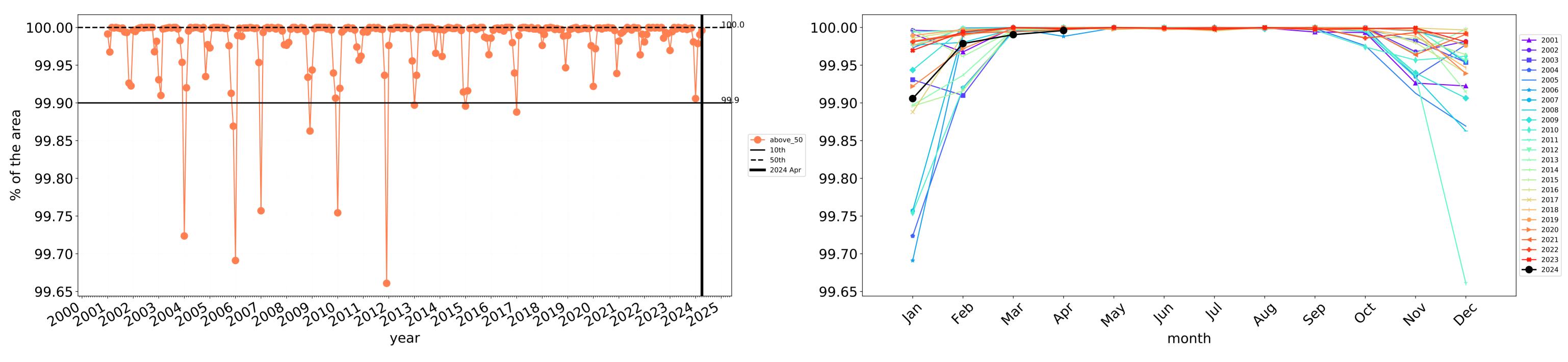
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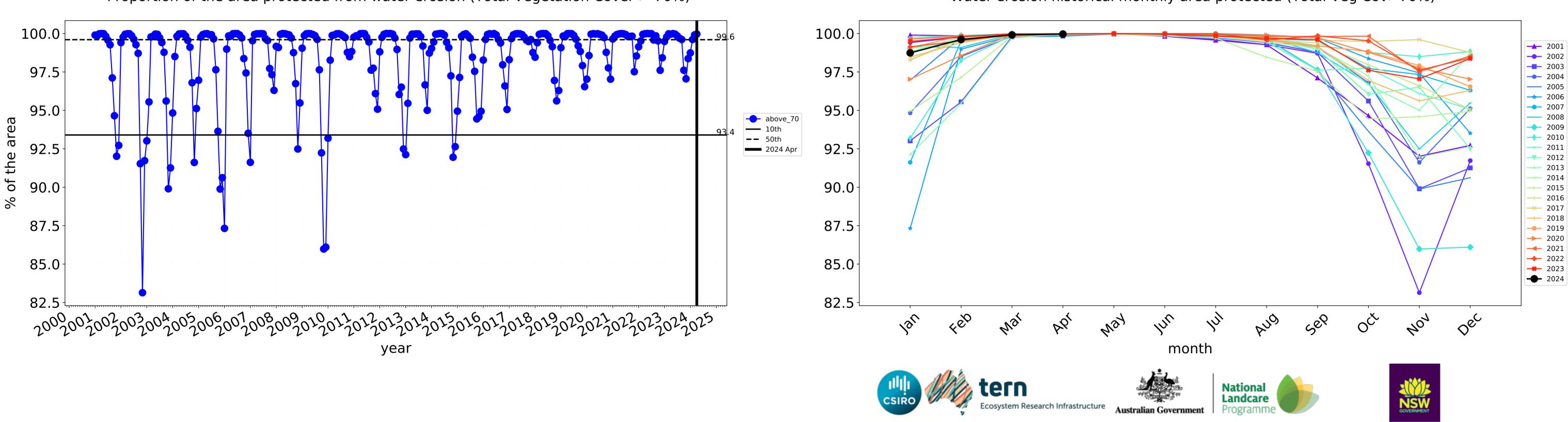
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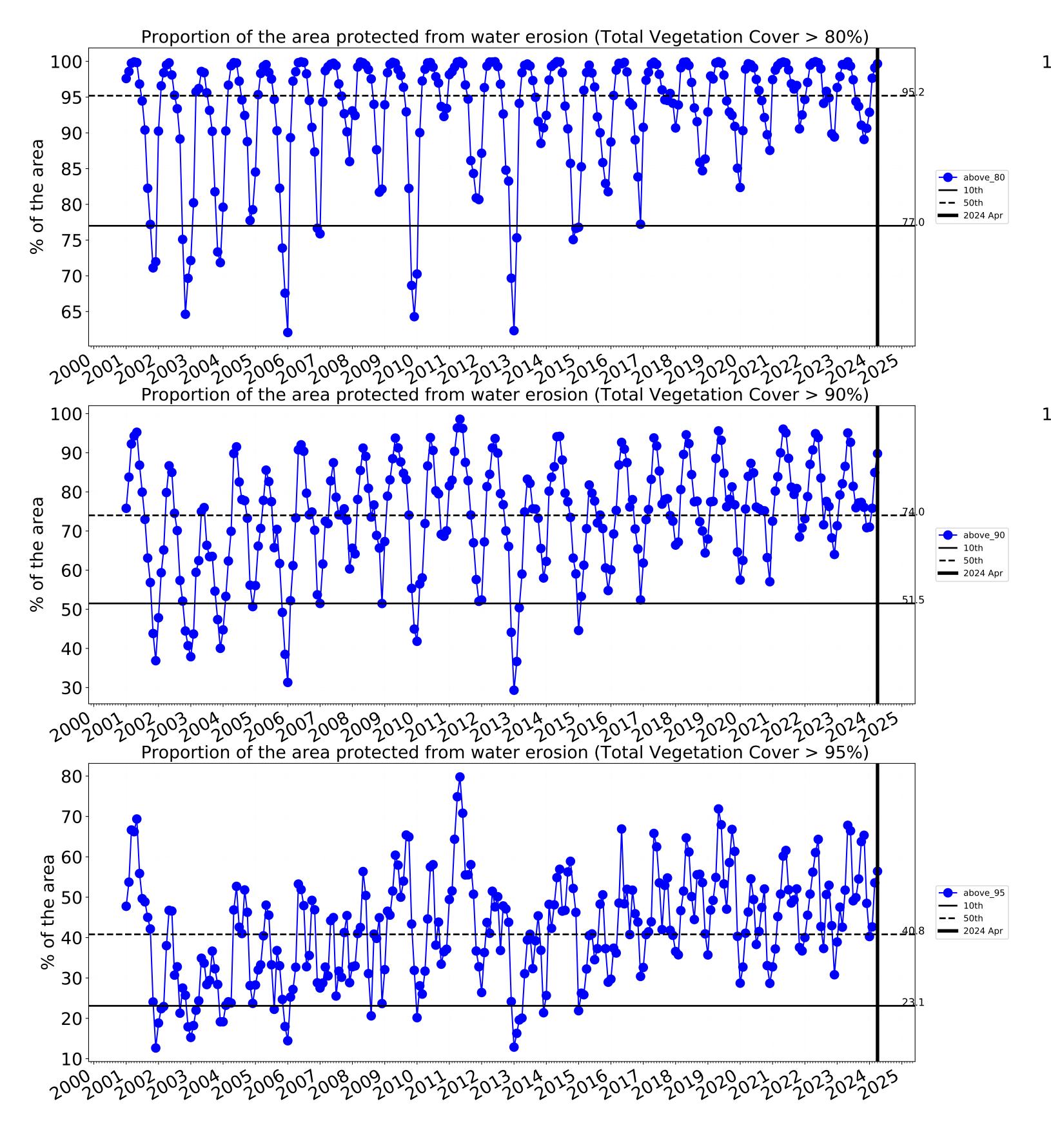
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

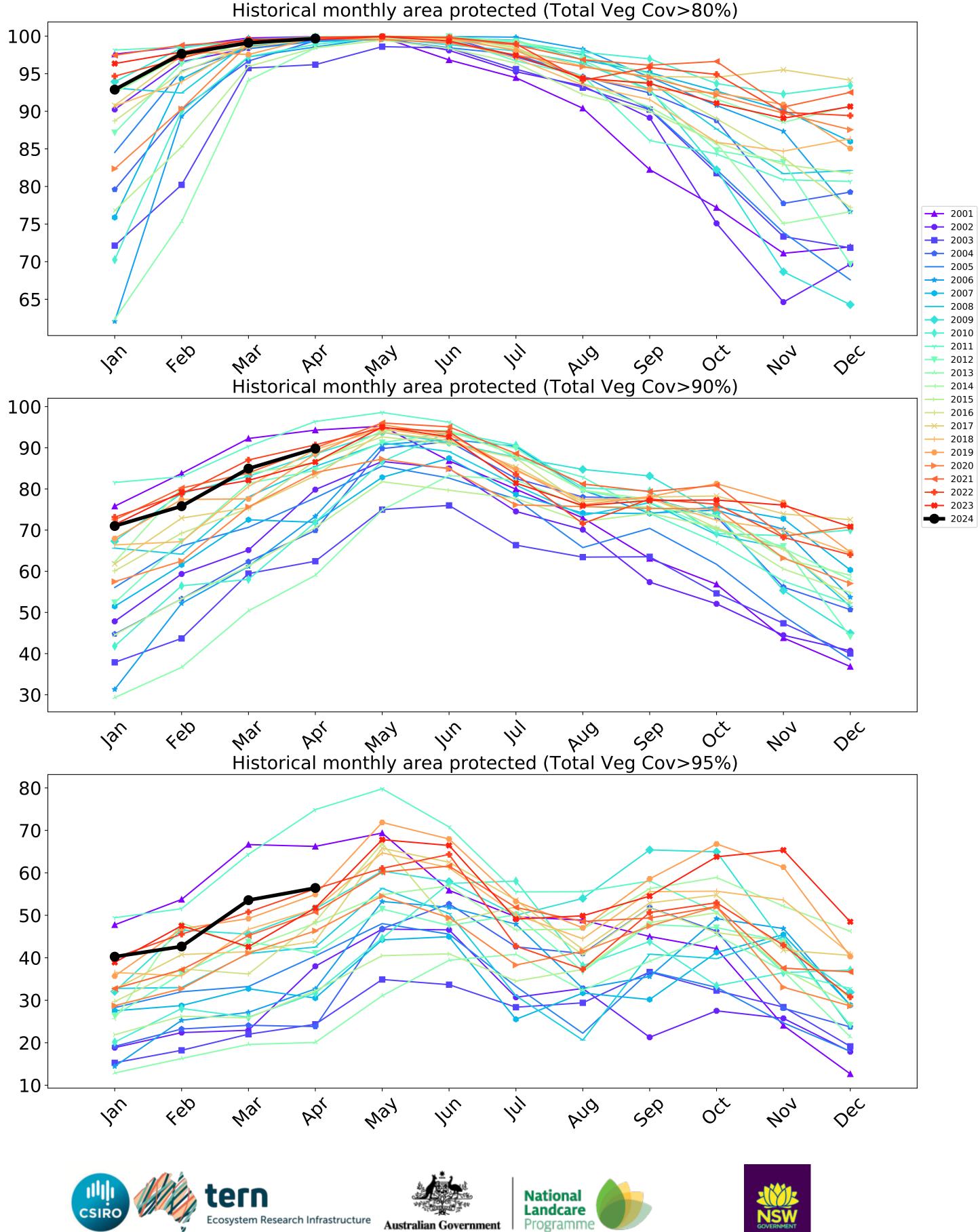


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

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

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

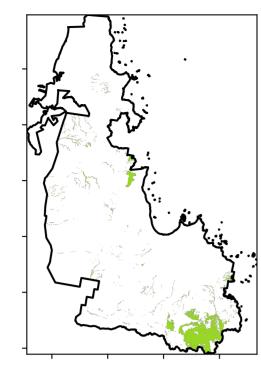






## Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover



1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest

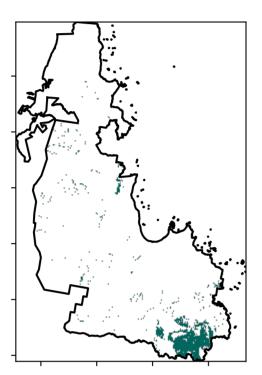
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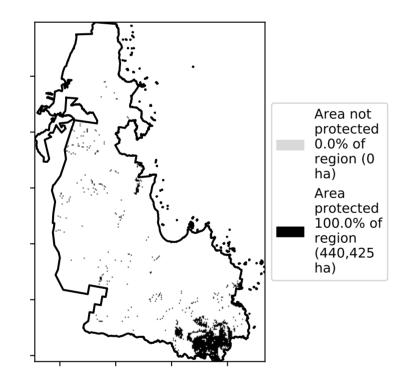
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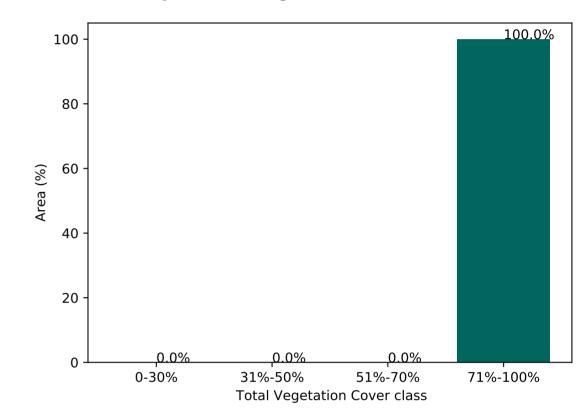
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



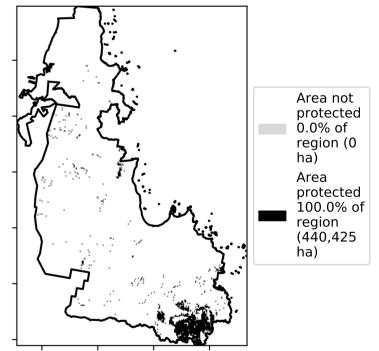
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







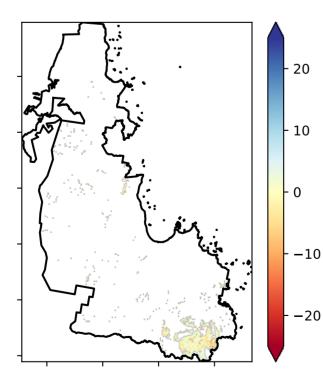
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



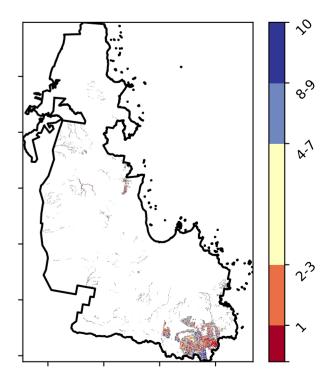
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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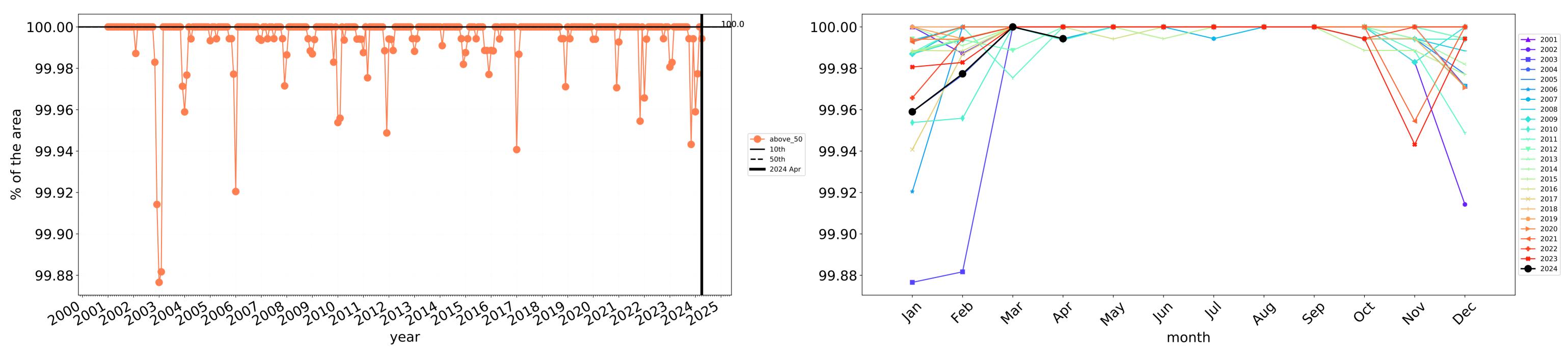


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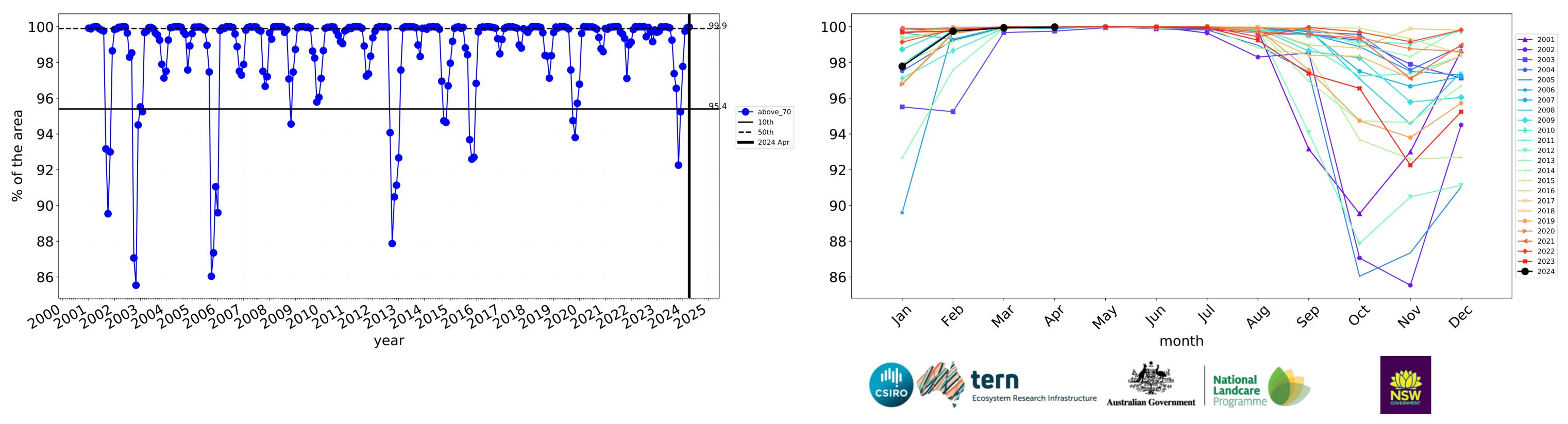






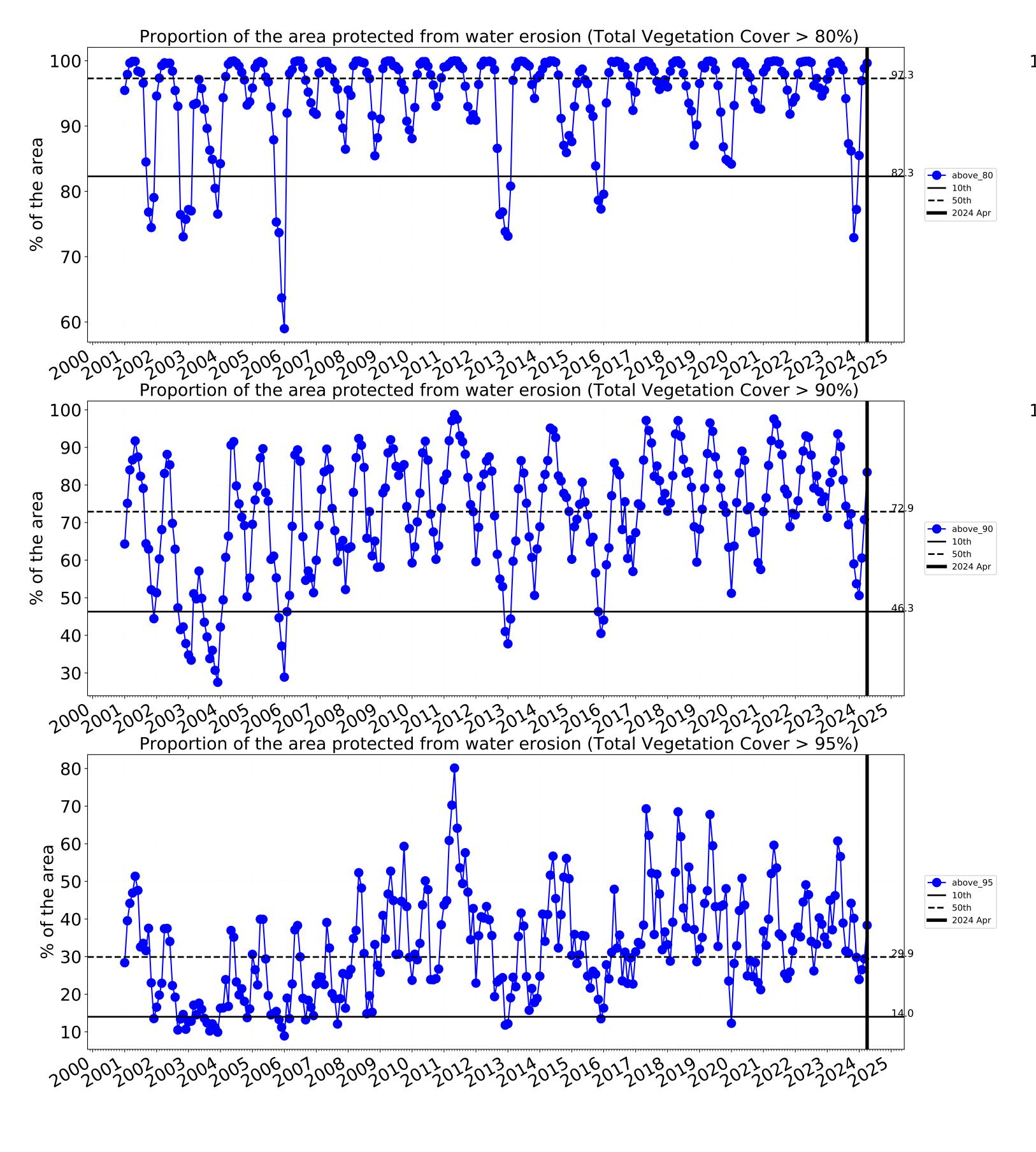
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

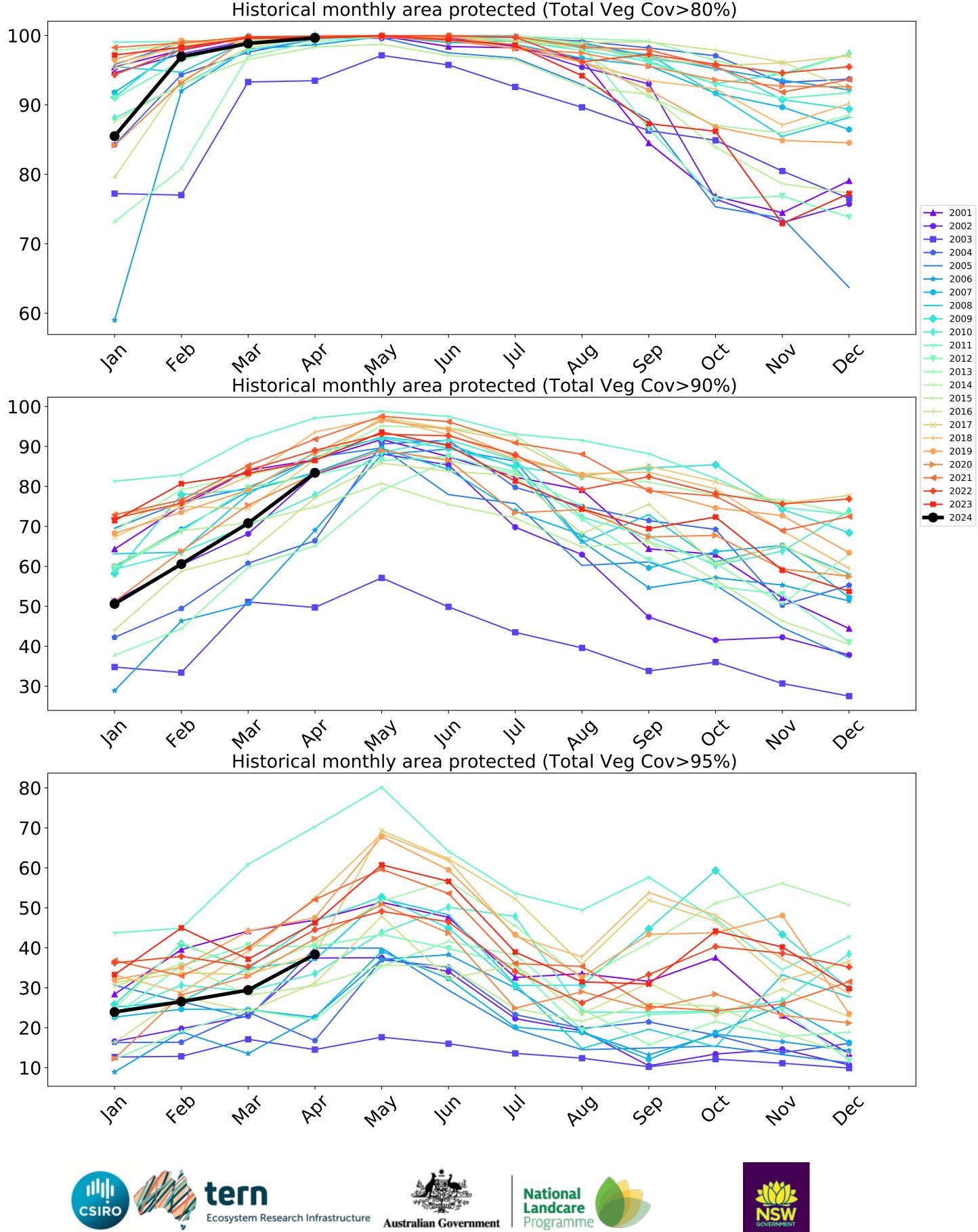




Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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







# Cook\_(S) (9,623,275 ha and no data 948,607 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	9,623,275	100.0% 9,622,050	100.0% 9,619,450	99.8% 9,600,575	99.0% 9,529,550	86.8% 8,356,750	54.0% 5,200,325
Conservation and natural environments	4,767,500	100.0% 4,766,825	100.0% 4,765,450	99.7% 4,754,175	98.8% 4,712,425	86.1% 4,107,075	55.0% 2,621,825
Conservation and natural environments non forest	415,300	99.9% 414,950	99.8% 414,600	99.0% 410,950	96.3% 399,750	76.6% 317,925	45.1% 187,425
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	3,947,325	100.0% 3,947,225	100.0% 3,946,925	99.9% 3,942,650	99.3% 3,919,375	87.8% 3,463,950	56.9% 2,246,050
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	404,875	99.9% 404,650	99.8% 403,925	98.9% 400,575	97.1% 393,300	80.3% 325,200	46.5% 188,350
Agriculture	4,687,600	100.0% 4,687,500	100.0% 4,687,425	100.0% 4,686,050	99.6% 4,668,625	88.3% 4,140,850	53.6% 2,511,075
Grazing	4,680,500	100.0% 4,680,400	100.0% 4,680,325	100.0% 4,679,000	99.6% 4,661,950	88.4% 4,136,425	53.6% 2,509,225
Grazing non forest	511,200	100.0% 511,200	100.0% 511,200	100.0% 511,000	99.1% 506,350	82.3% 420,925	46.2% 236,250
Grazing Woodland forest	3,728,875	100.0% 3,728,775	100.0% 3,728,725	100.0% 3,727,650	99.7% 3,716,700	89.8% 3,348,150	56.4% 2,104,125
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	440,425	100.0% 440,425	100.0% 440,400	100.0% 440,350	99.7% 438,900	83.4% 367,350	38.3% 168,850

