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

# Date: April 2023

This report describes vegetation protecting the soil surface from erosion during a chosen month compared to previous years. This report has been generated using MODIS fractional vegetation cover information available in Rangelands and Pasture Productivity (RAPP) map tool https://map.geo-rapp.org/#australia. The report is based on 500 metre pixel data on monthly time steps. Land use forest cover:

Results can be shown for the whole region (polygon), and separated by land use and forest cover classes which are likely to show different cover patterns and targets. Land use is divided into four broad classes: Conservation and natural environments, Agriculture, production native forests and plantation forests (no report), and other (no report). Agriculture is divided into grazing, crops and horticulture which are sub-divided into non-irrigated and irrigated. If forest is present land use is further divided into: non-forest, woodland forest and non-woodland forest. The area of each land use and forest class are shown as a map and chart. The report content is repeated for each land use and forest covers at least 1% of the area of the chosen region. Total vegetation Cover:

The total vegetation cover indicates where soil is likely to be protected from wind and or water hillslope erosion. Total vegetation cover for this month is shown on a map and chart classified into 4 classes.

• 71-100% High cover - protected from wind and usually water erosion (high rainfall, steep slopes, and erodible soils may need greater than 80, 90, 95 and up to 100% cover)

- 51-70% Moderate cover protected from wind erosion
- 31-50% Low cover not protected
- 0-30% Very Low cover not protected

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

The vegetation cover threshold required to prevent soil erosion is usually 50% to reduce wind erosion, 70% or 80% to reduce water (hillslope) erosion depending on the steepness and rainfall. Areas protected from erosion for the month:

- Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares.
- Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares. Comparison with previous years:
  - Map: anomaly comparing this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years.
  - Map: deciles rank of month against the same month in previous years.

Anomalies and deciles until September 2019 are calculated comparing to the same months 2001 to 2019. Extra monthly data will be used to calculate anomalies and deciles post September 2019 as they become available. Time series monthly from January 2001 to current:

## **Erosion protection**

- Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month (orange lines). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.
- Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month (blue line). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.

## Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

Each time series is also stacked by year. The black line shows the current year of data. Water erosion protection for higher rainfall and steeper slopes:

Water erosion protection on higher slopes. As slope increases, more cover is required to control water erosion. The thresholds reported are:

- the percentage area with pixels greater than 80% total cover.
- the percentage area with pixels greater than 90% total cover.
- the percentage area with pixels greater than 95% total cover.

## Acknowledgment of data:

- 1. http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/aclump/land-use/alum-classification
- 2. http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/forestsaustralia/sofr/sofr-2018
- 3. https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pastures-and-rangelands/establishment-mgmt/production-management2/groundcover
- 4. MODIS Fractional cover algorithm:

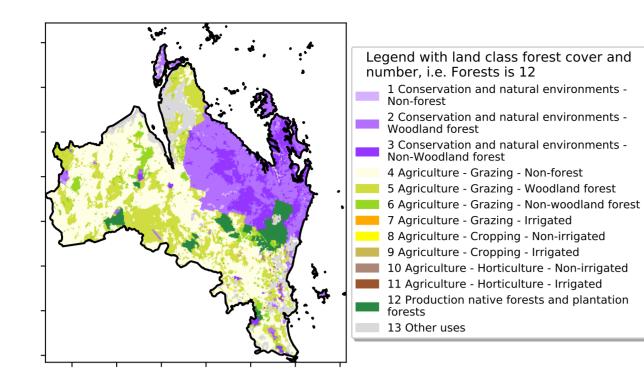
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# **Vegetation Cover Apr 2023**

### Land use and forest cover

## Proportion of each land class in area



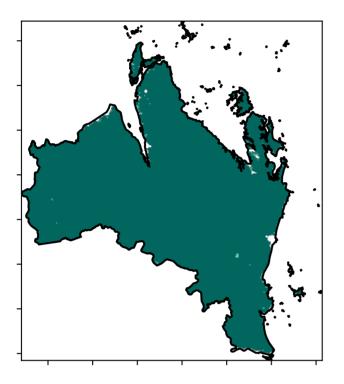
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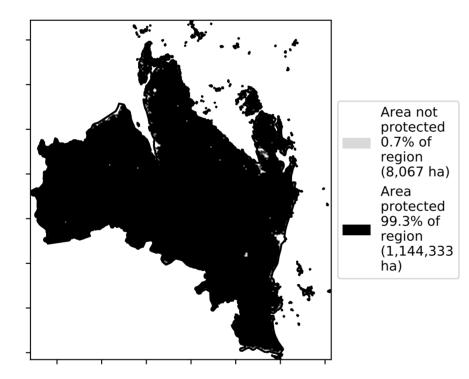
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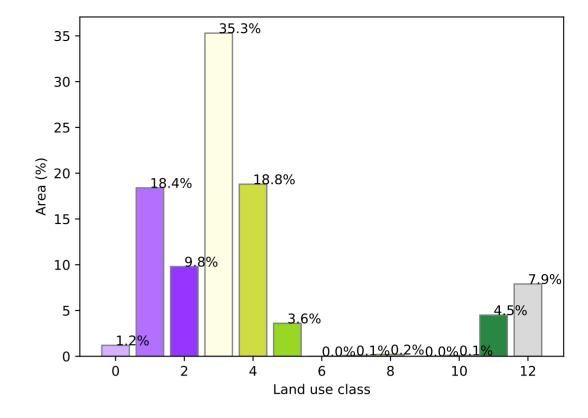
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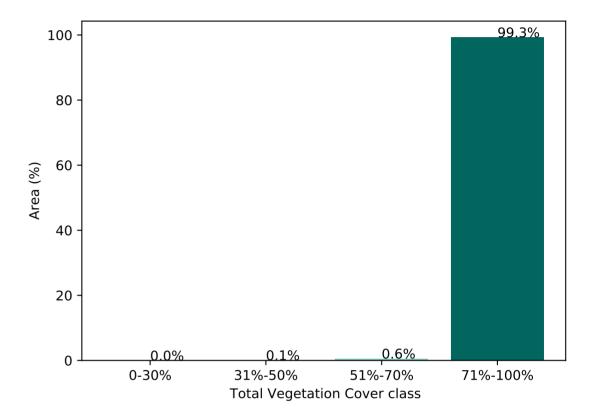


## % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

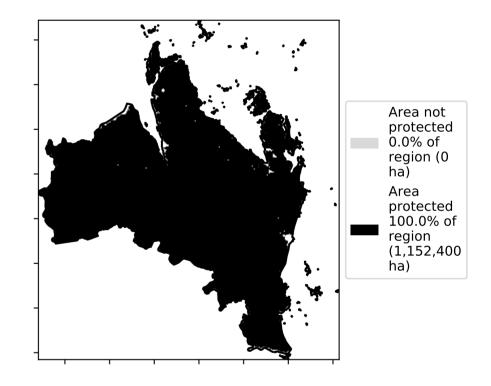




## Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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Catchment Scale

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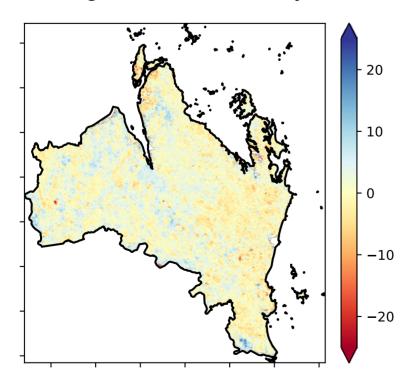
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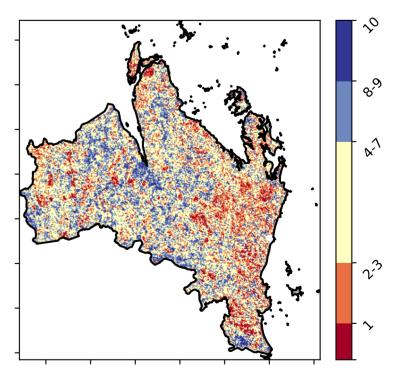
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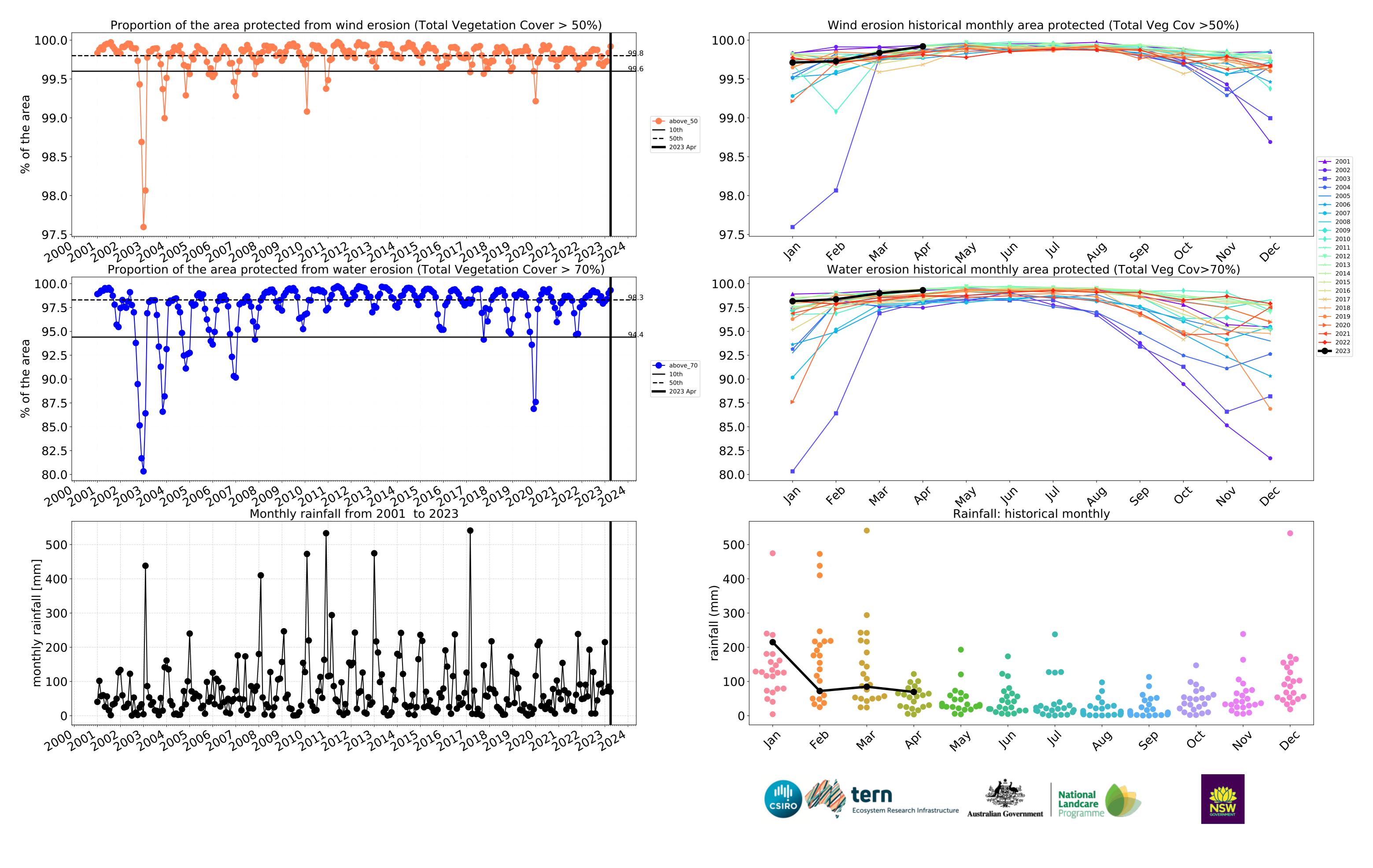
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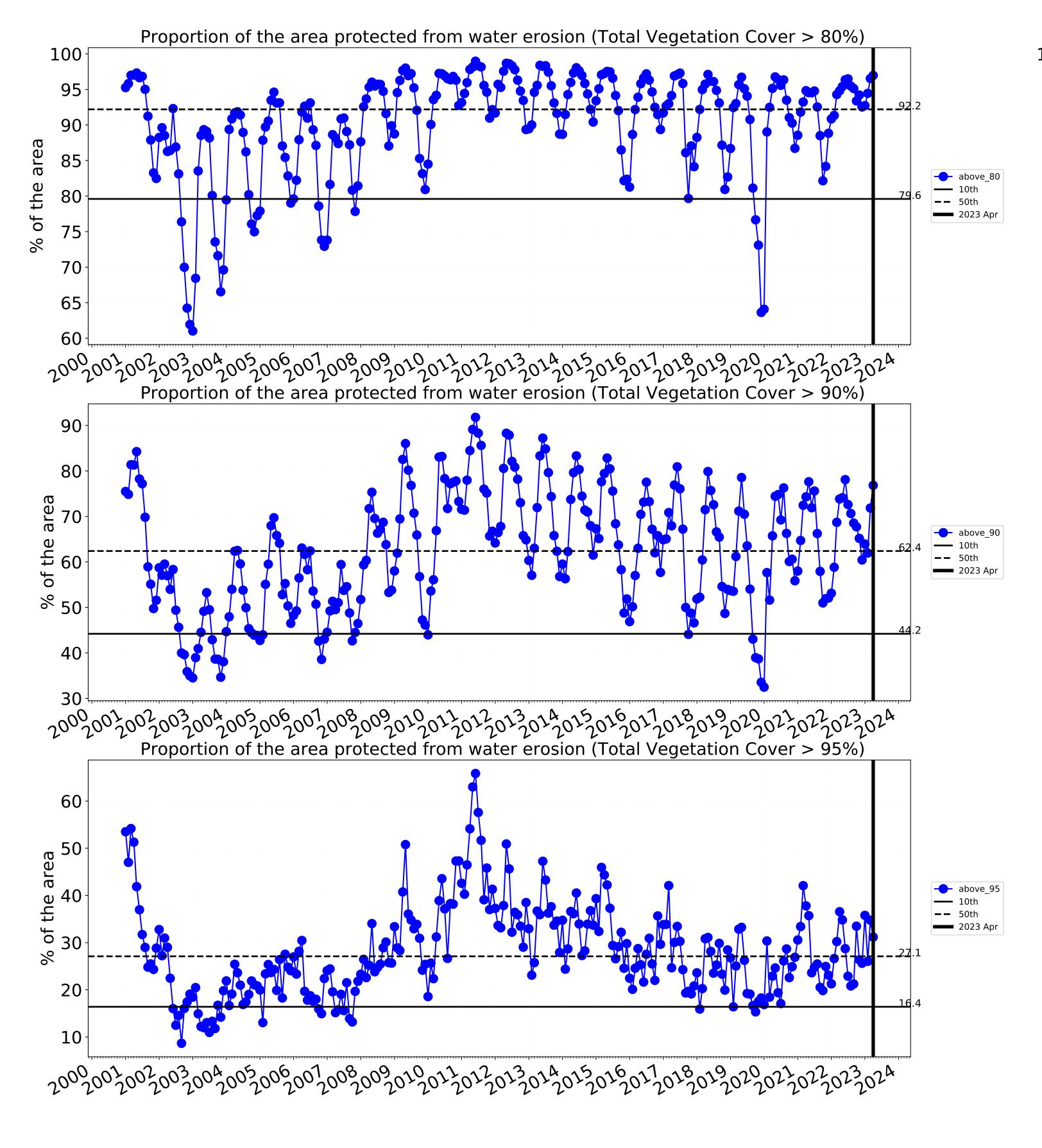


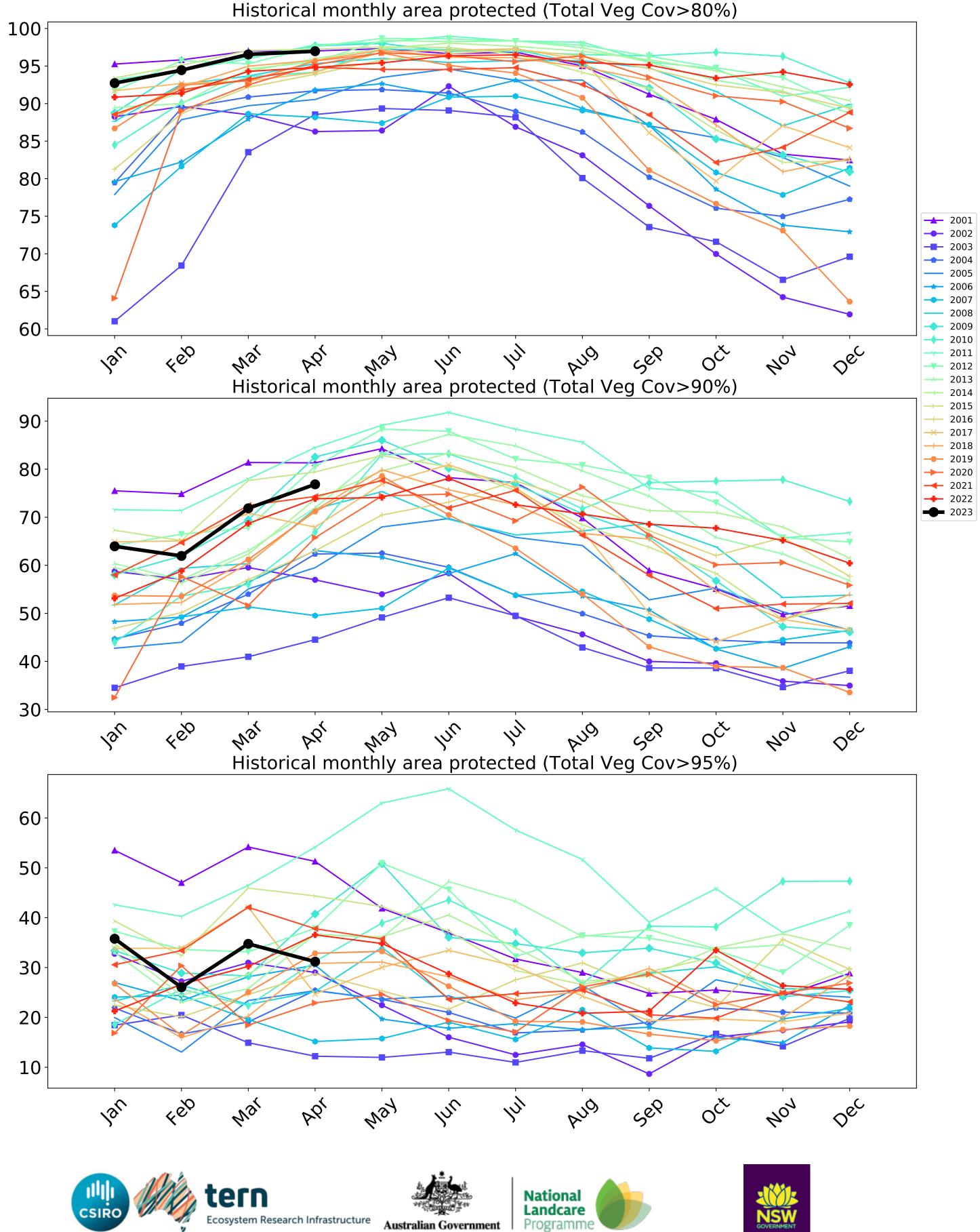
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## **Conservation and natural environments**

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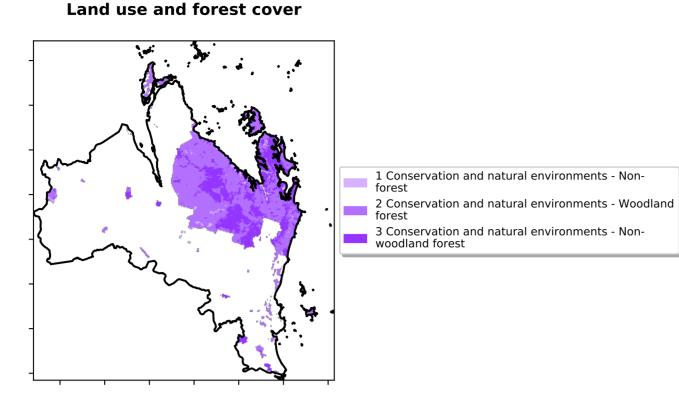
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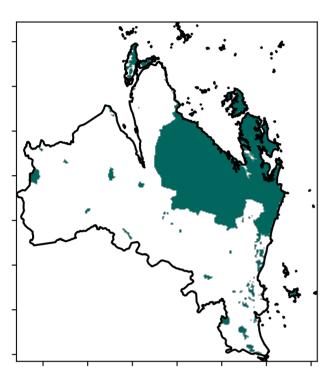
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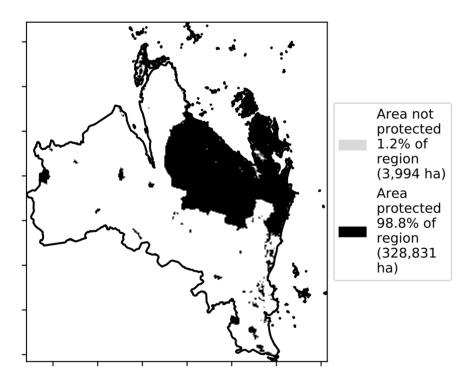
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**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



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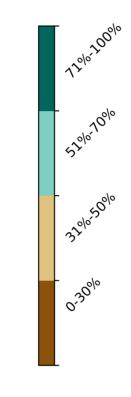
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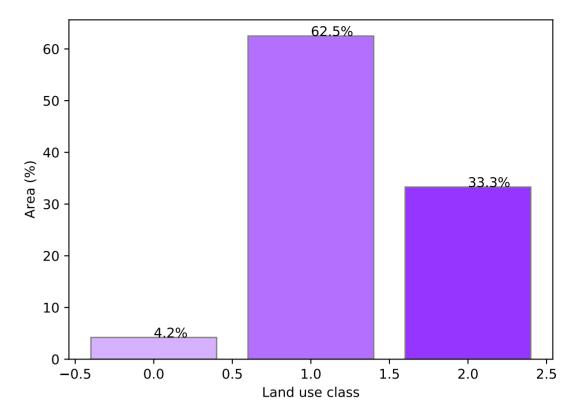
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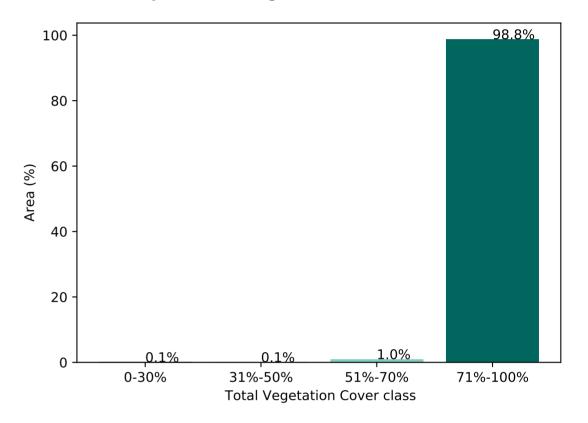
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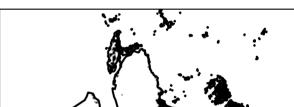
Proportion of each land class in area



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



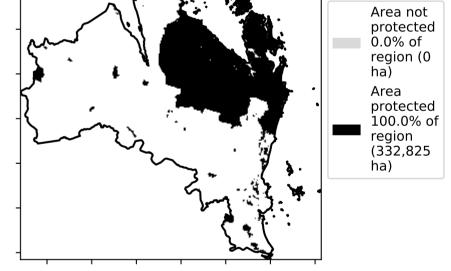
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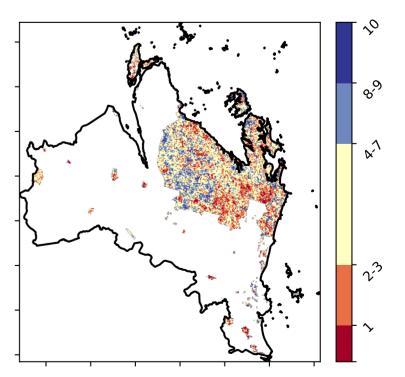


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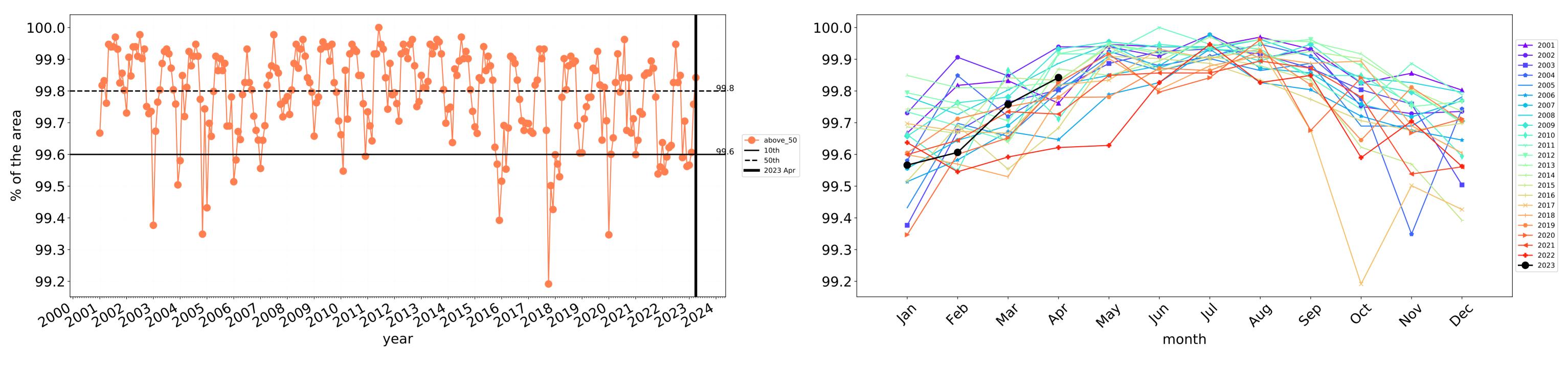
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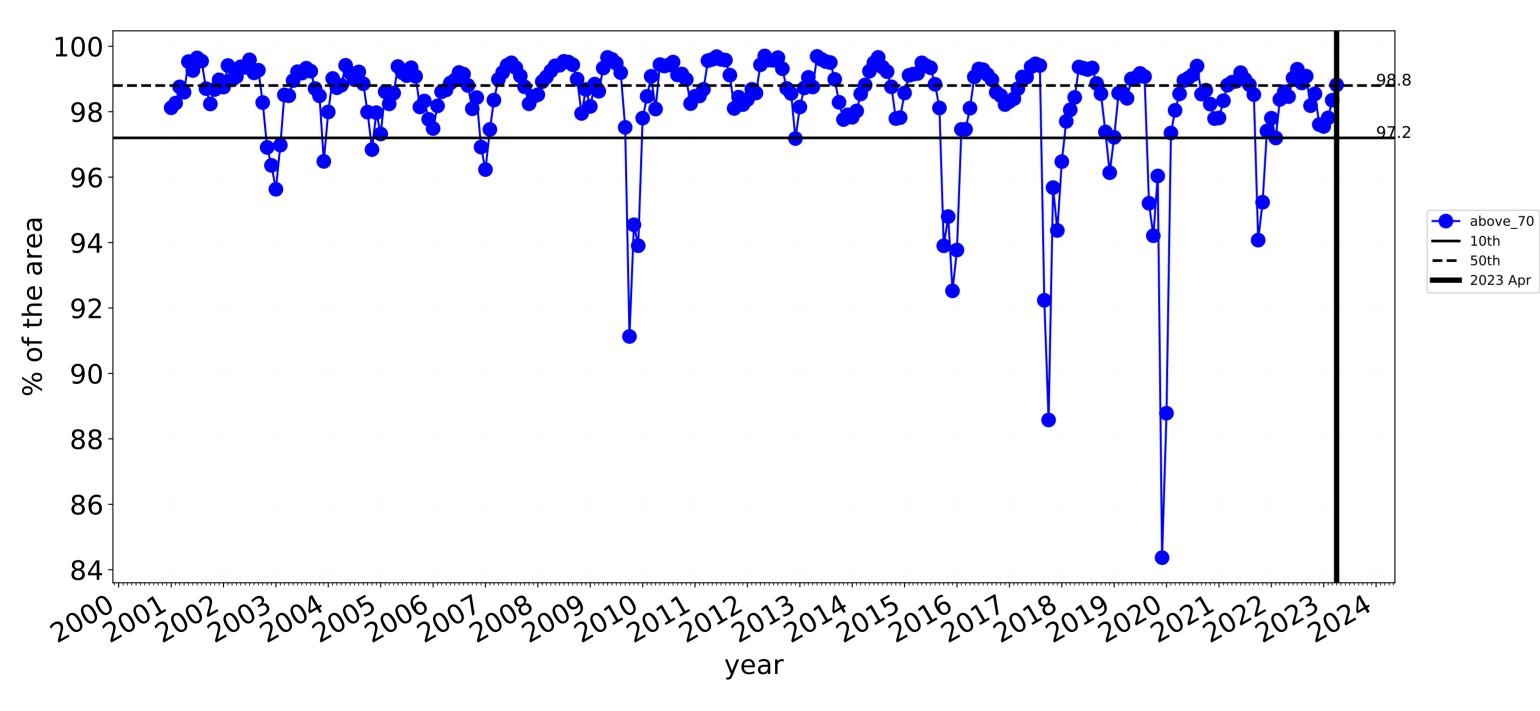
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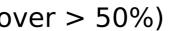
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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

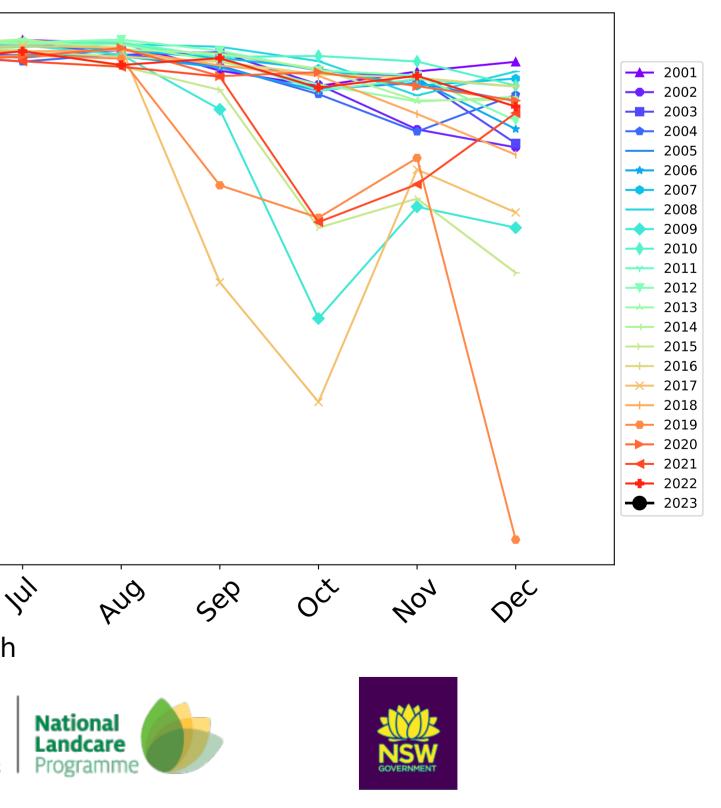


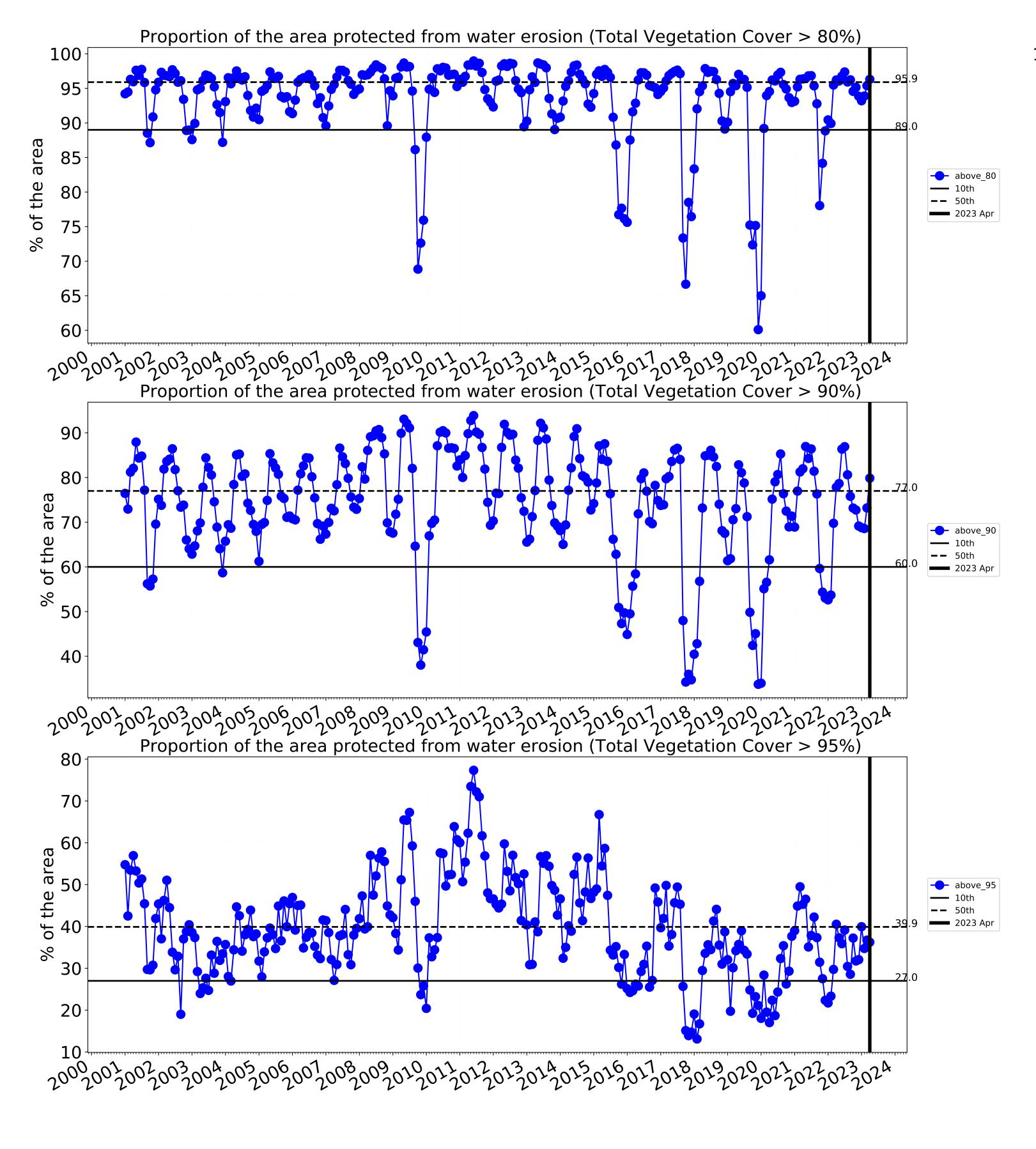


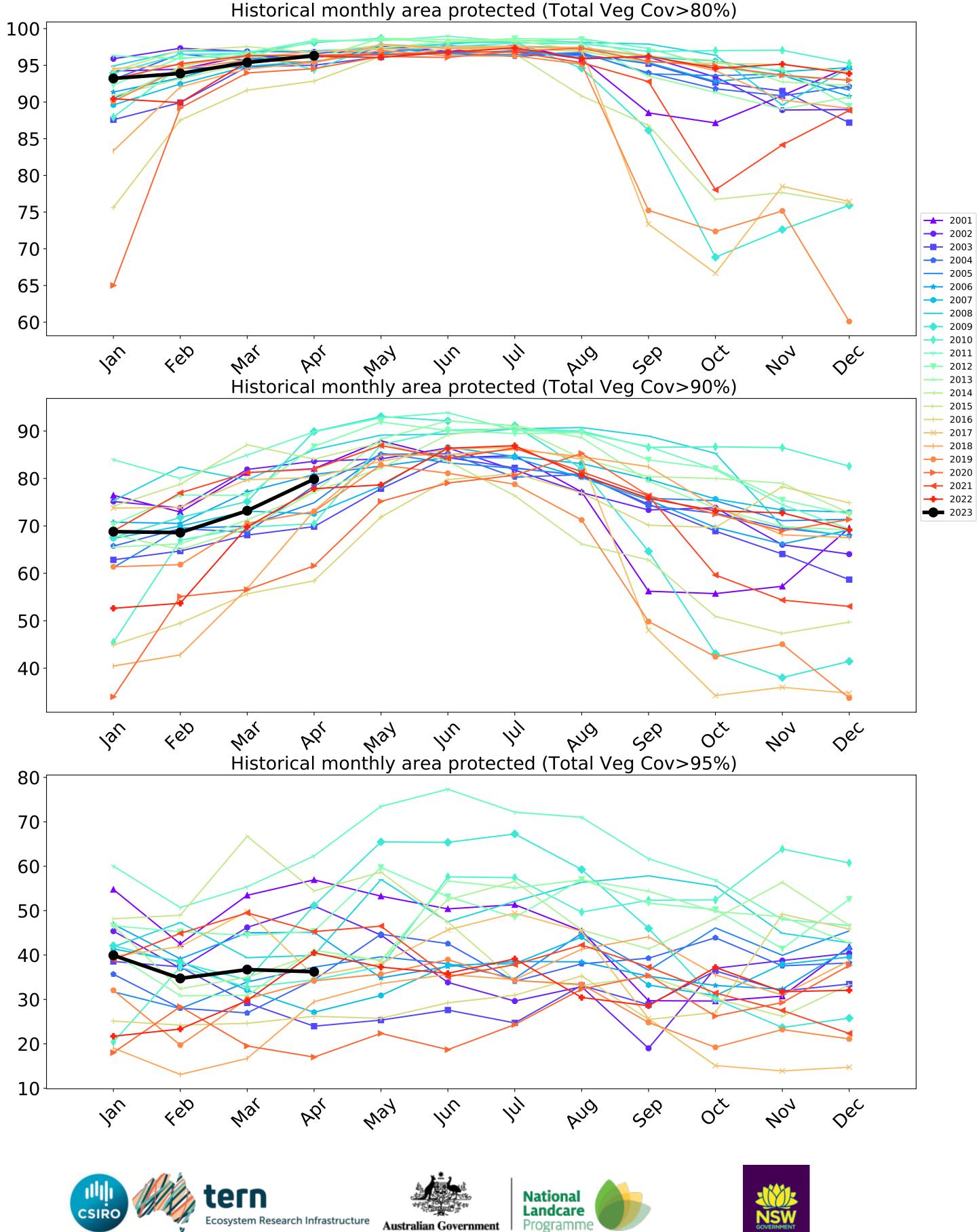
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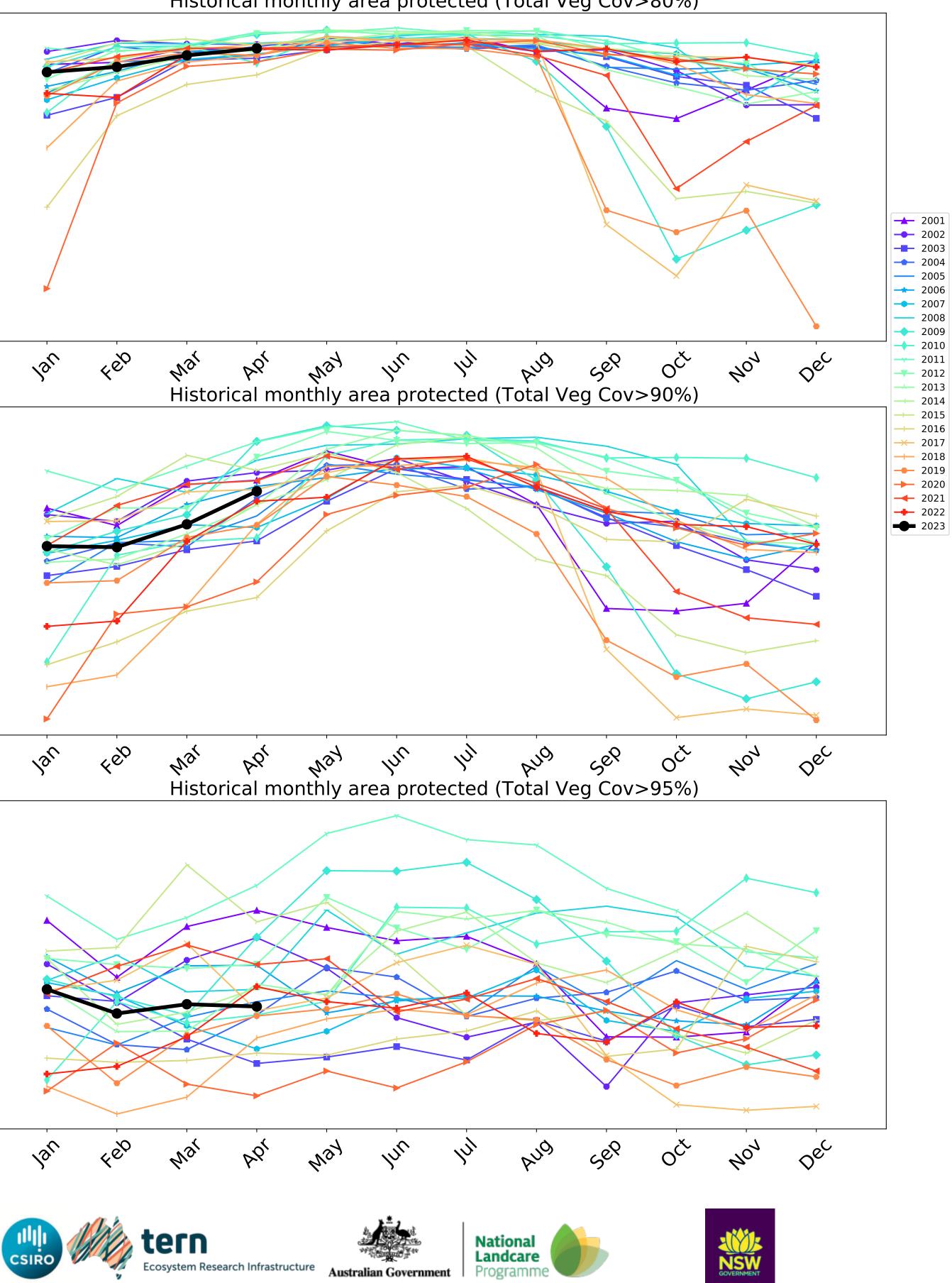
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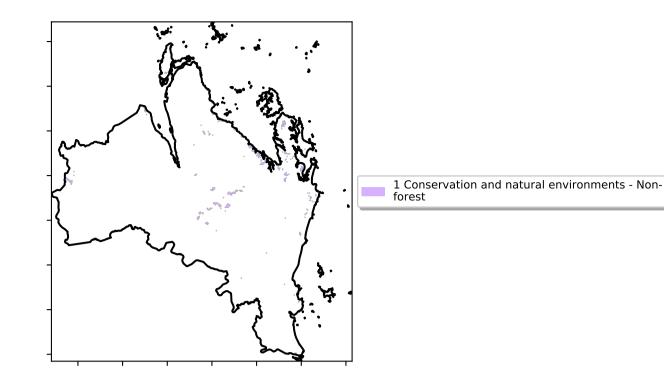






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Land use and forest cover



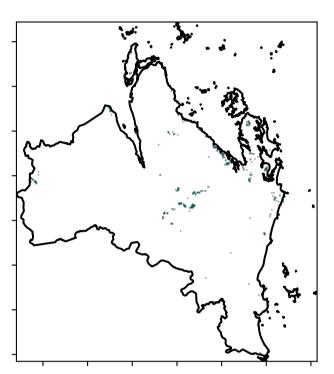
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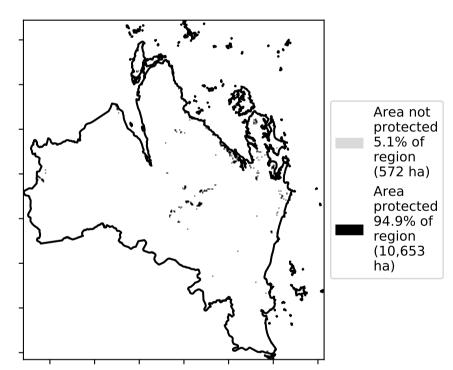
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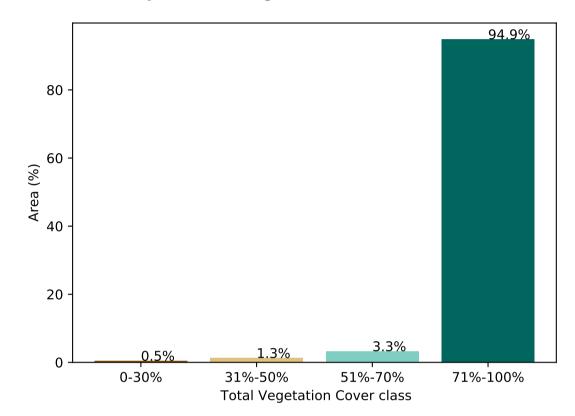
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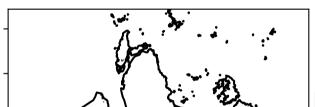






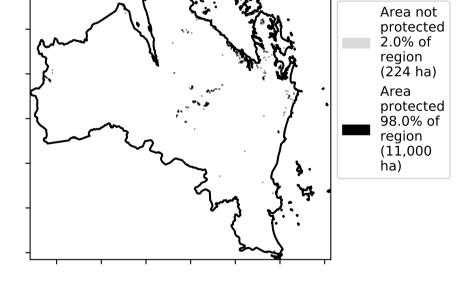


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

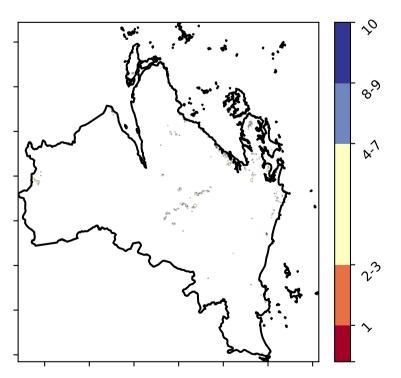


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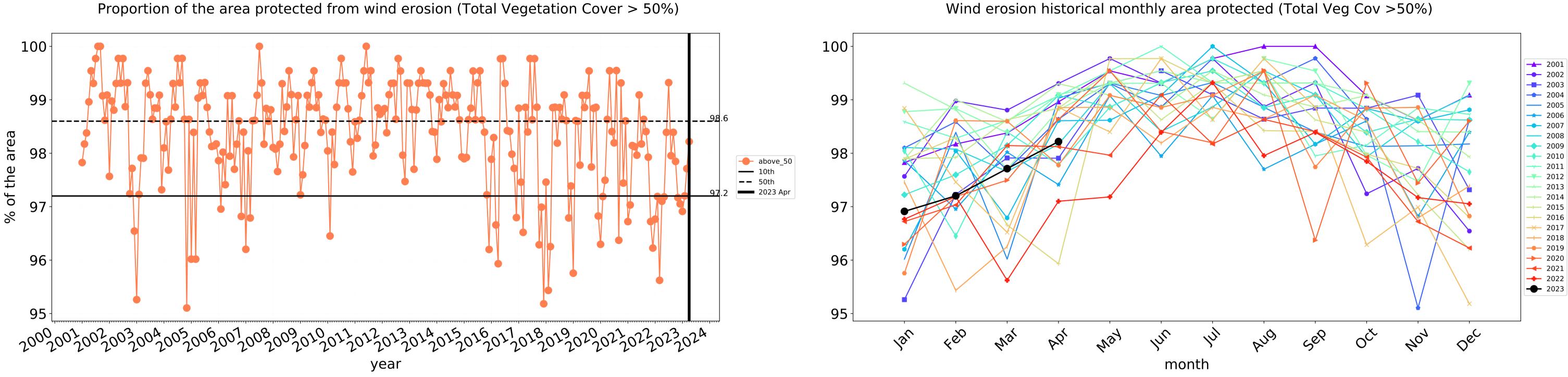
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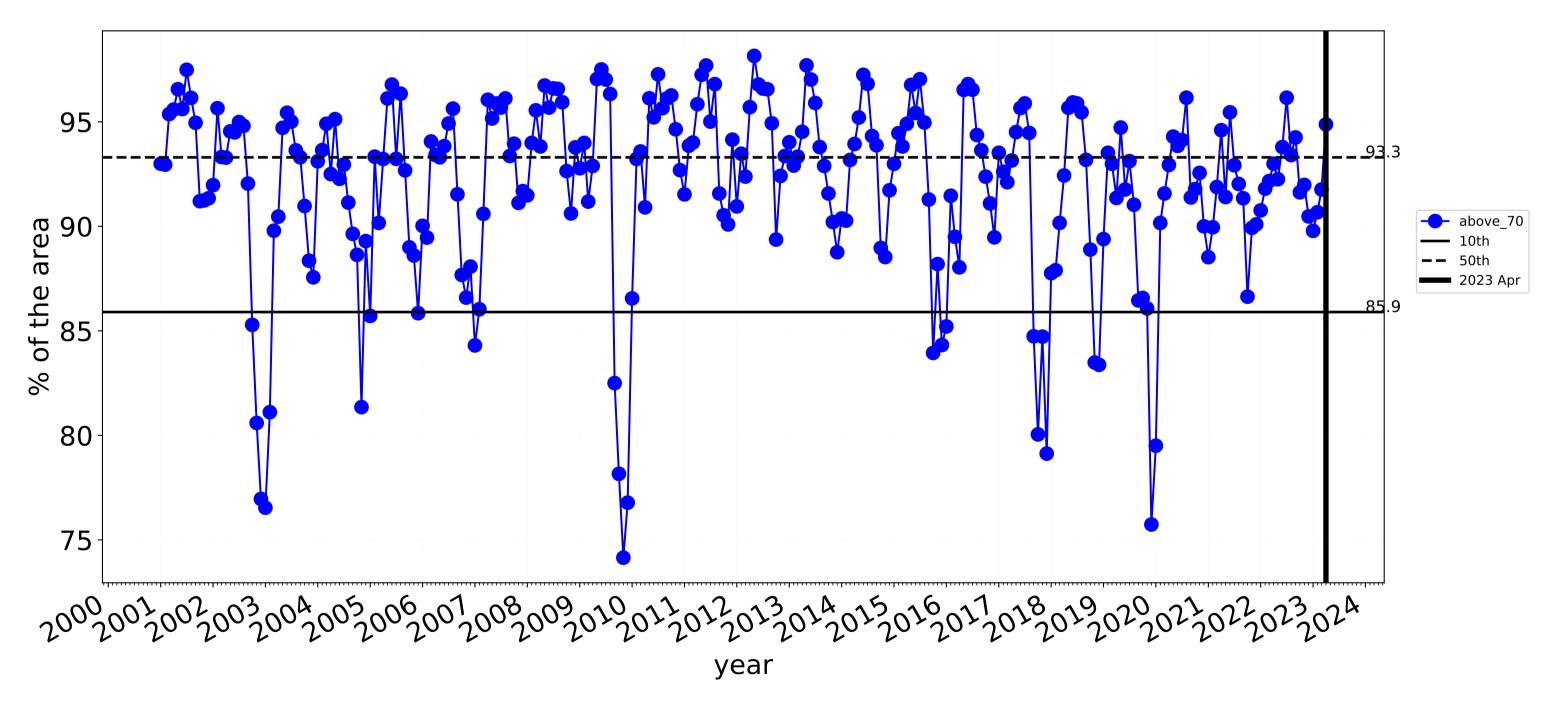


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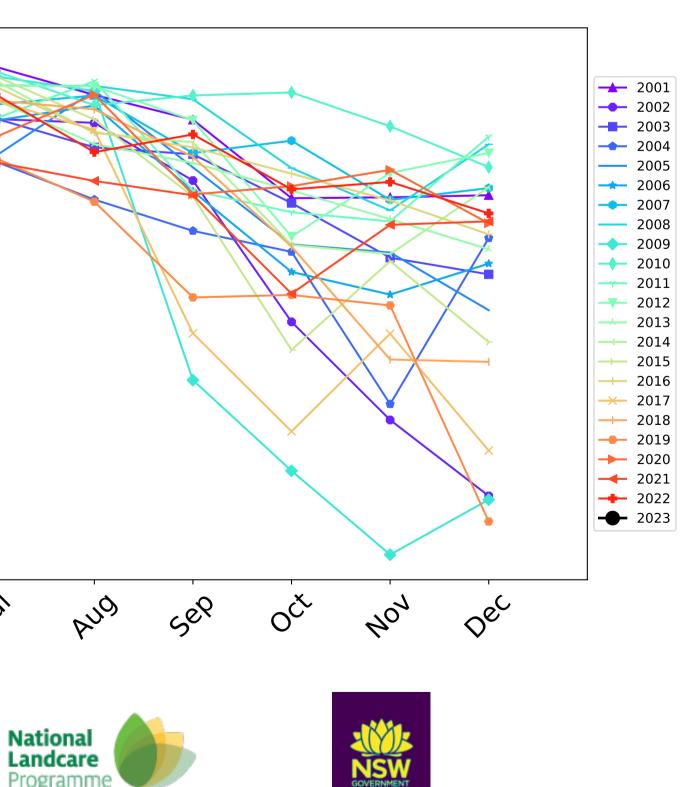
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

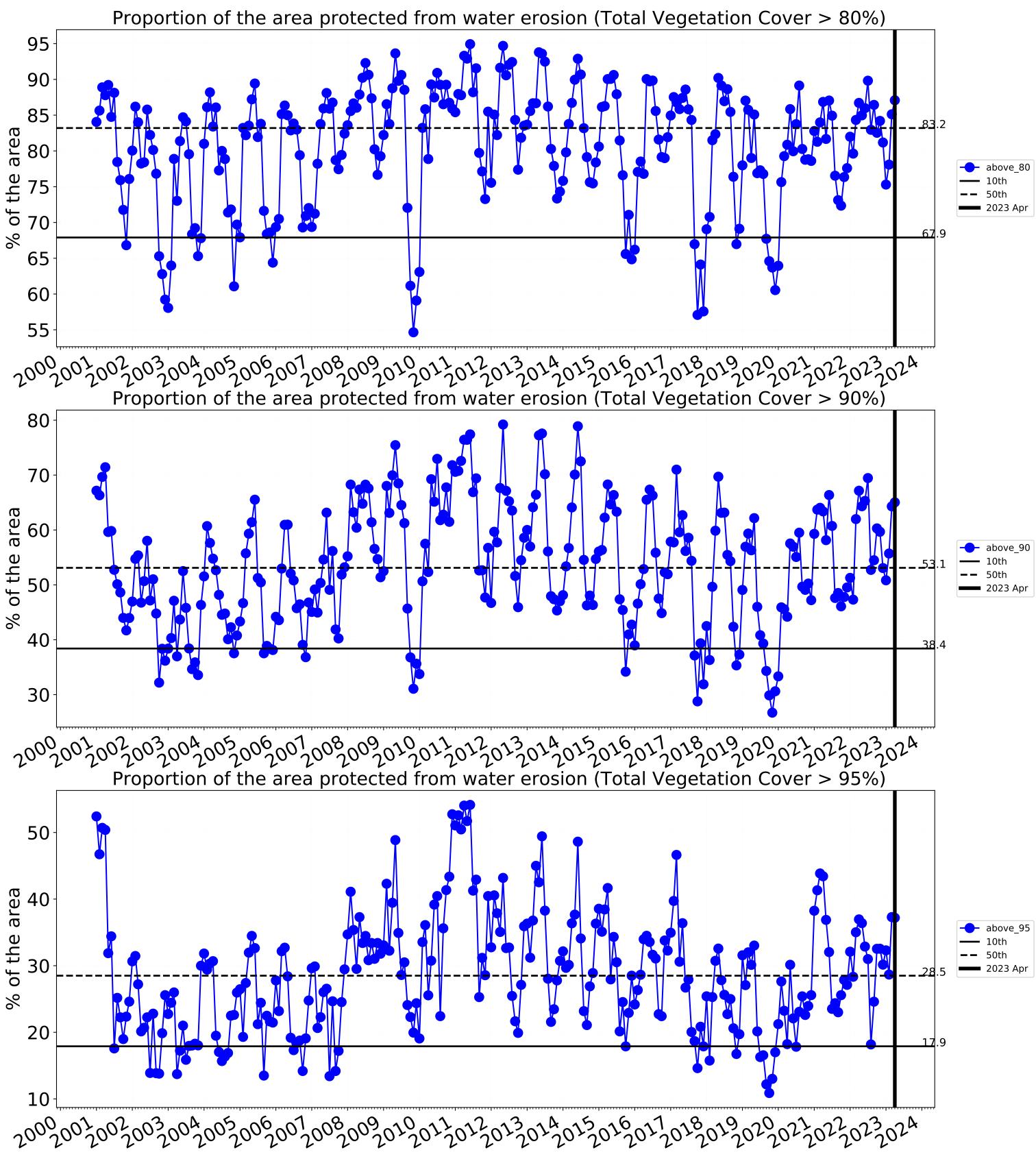
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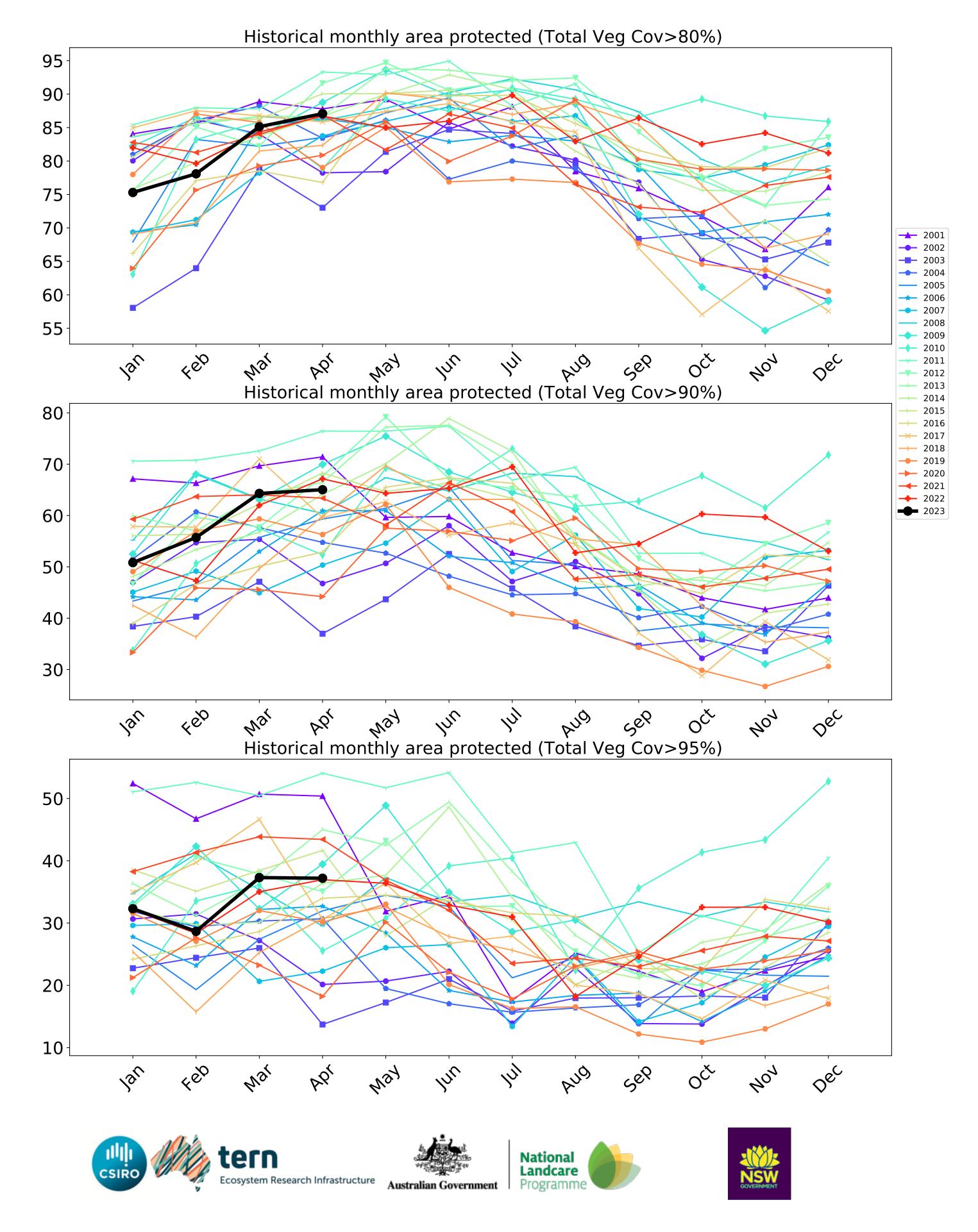


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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)







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

Land use and forest cover

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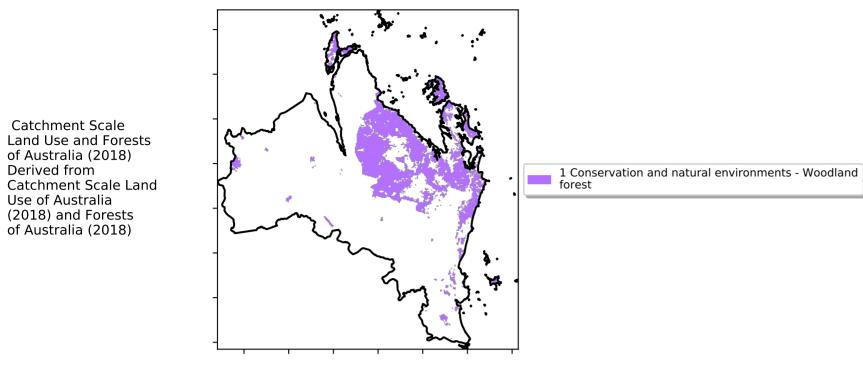
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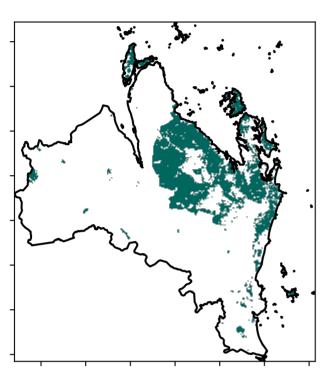
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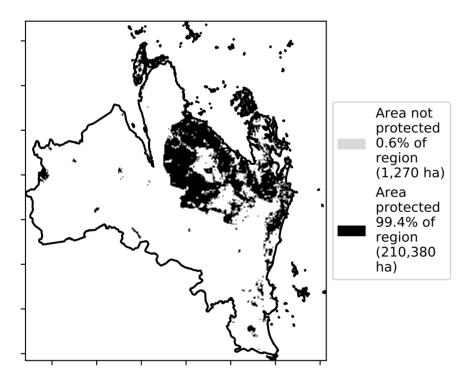
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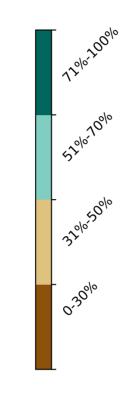
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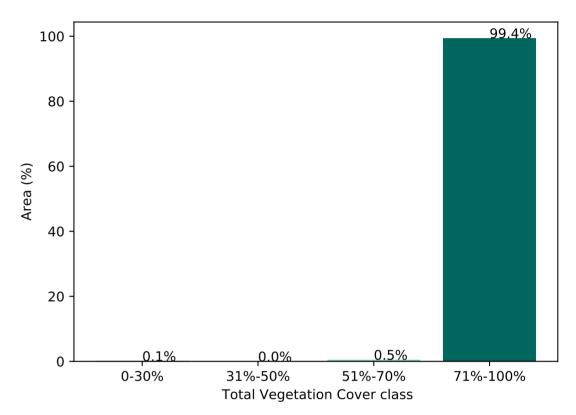
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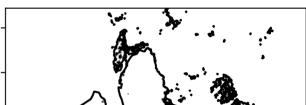
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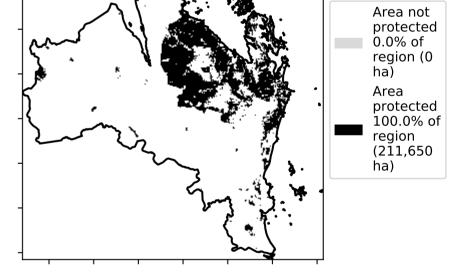


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

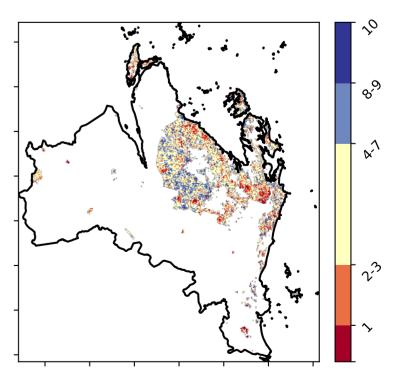


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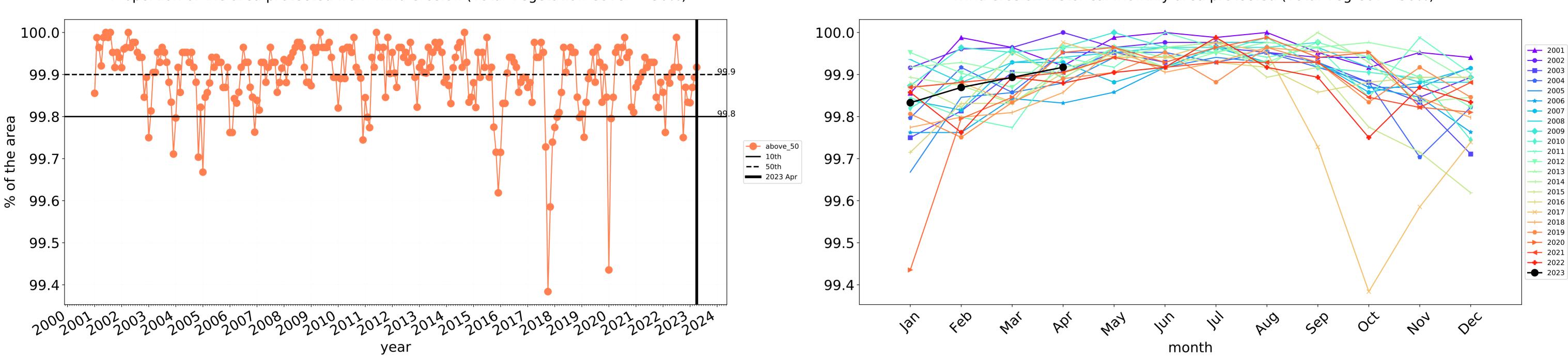
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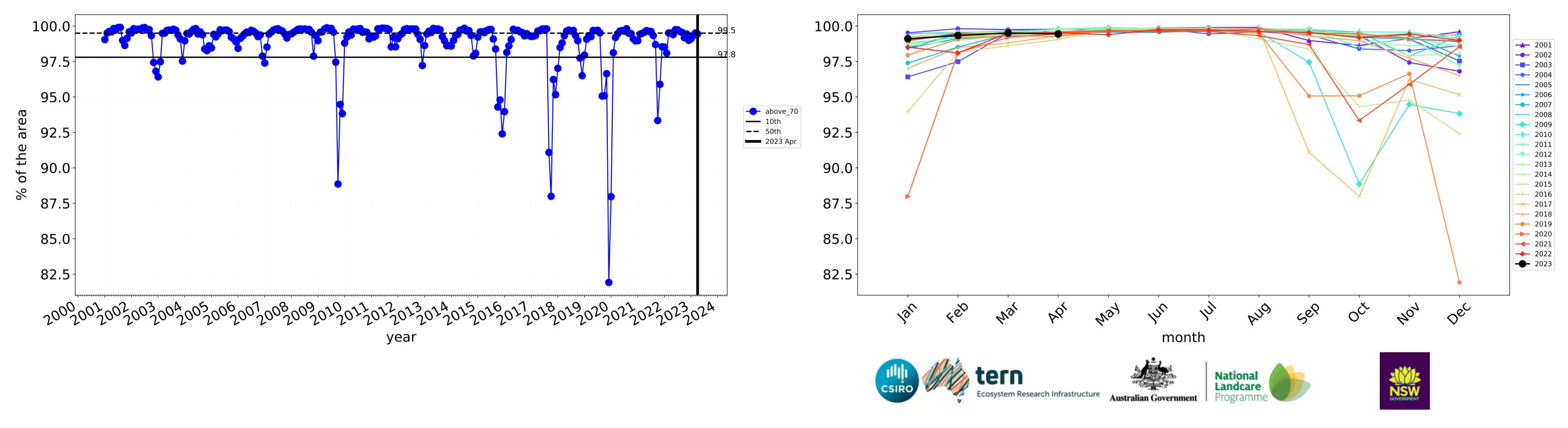


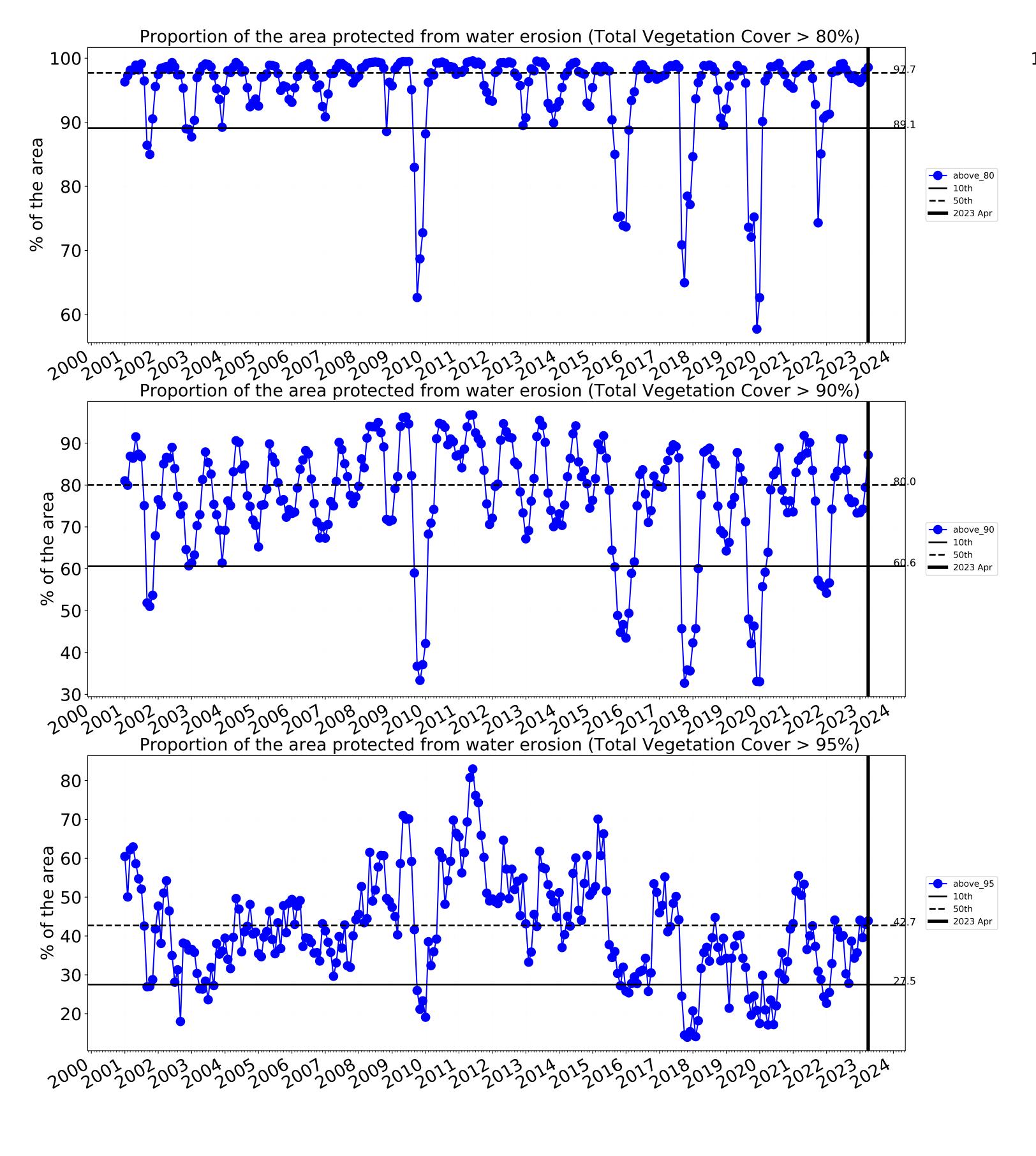


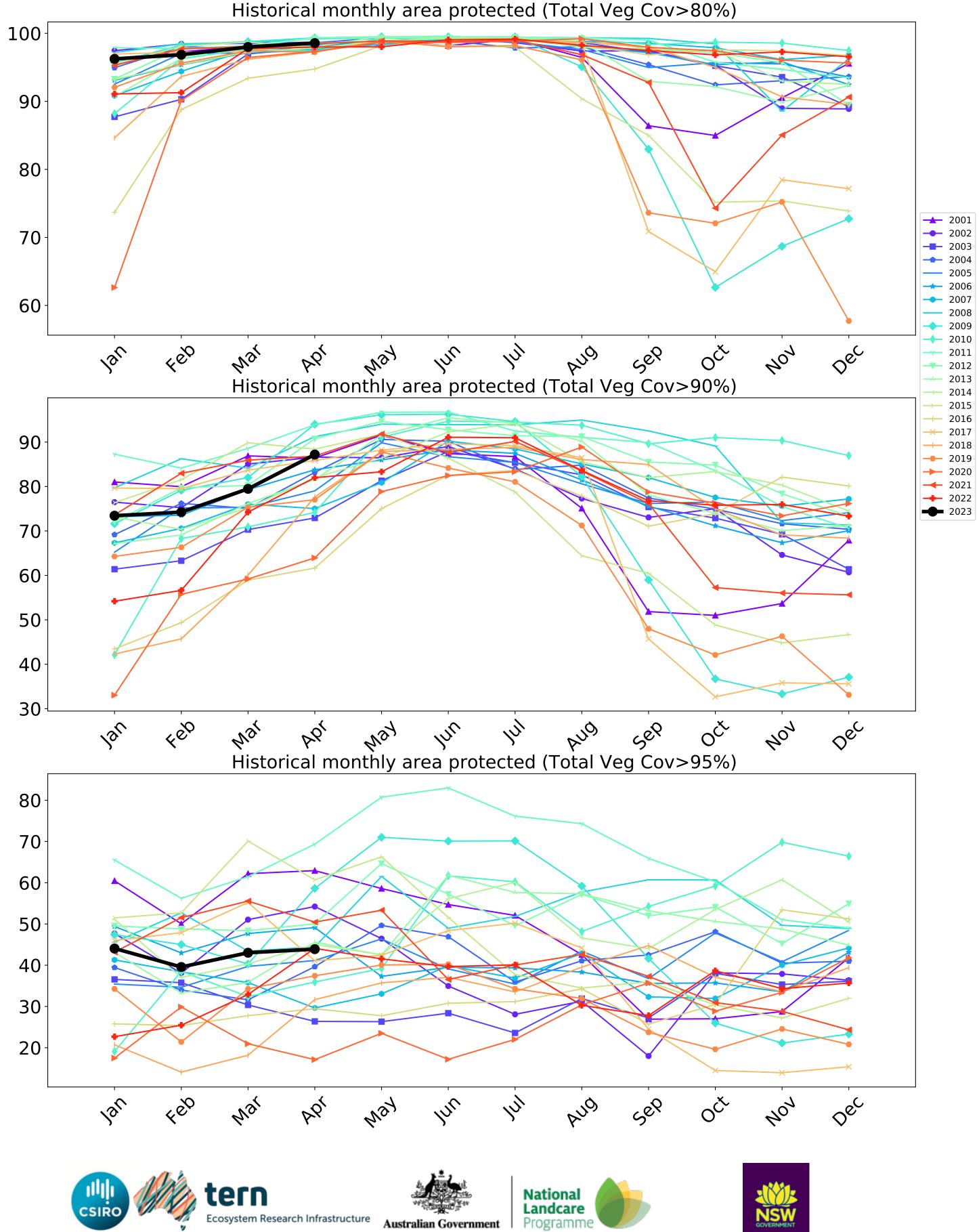


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



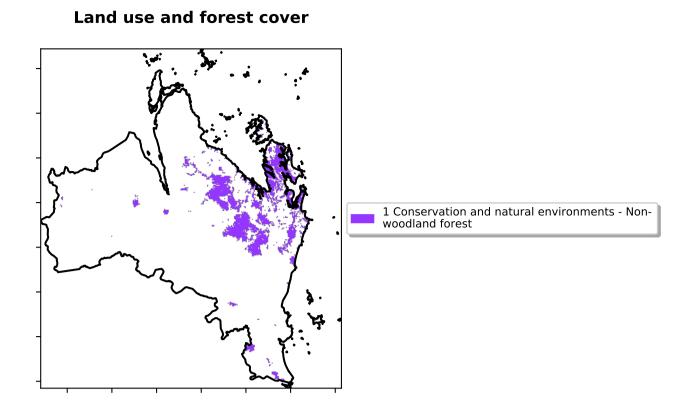






## **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

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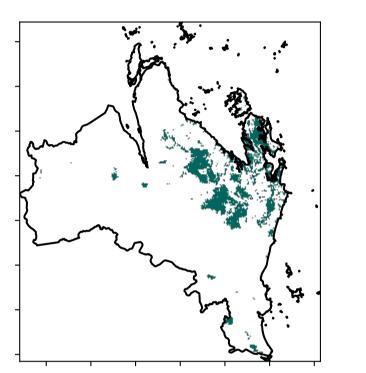
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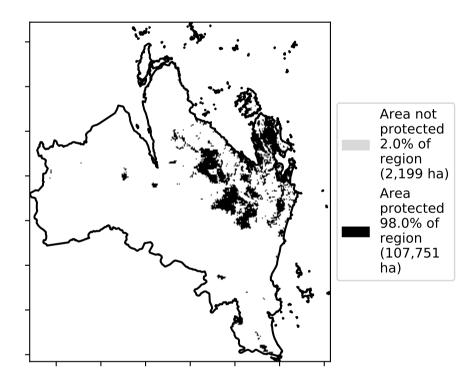
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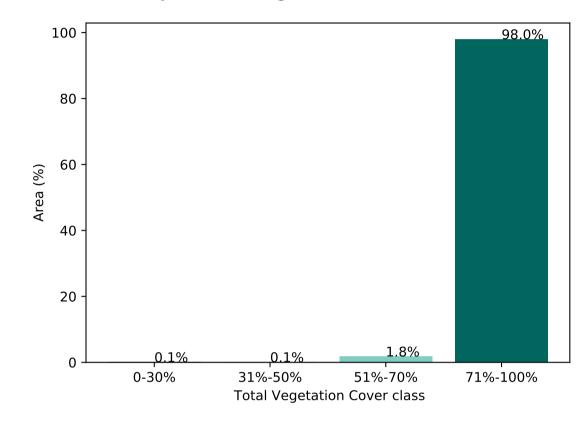
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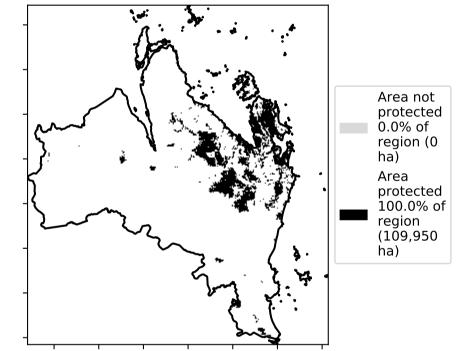
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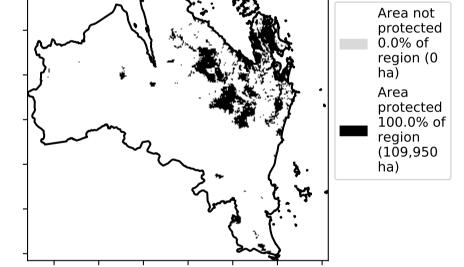


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



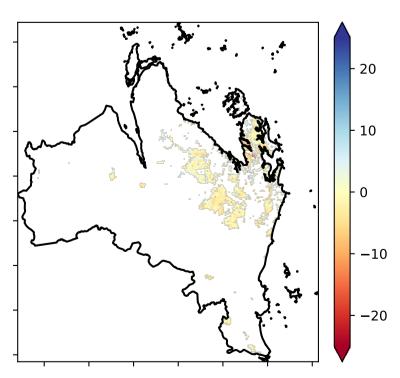
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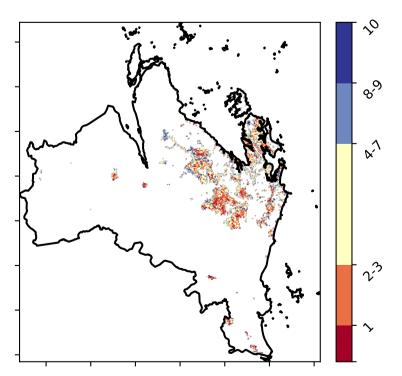
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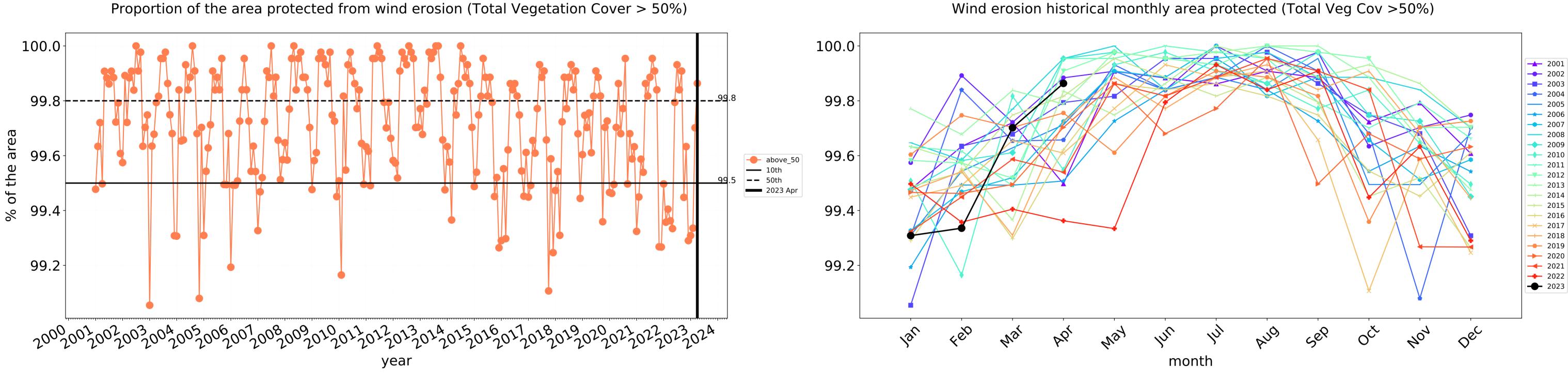


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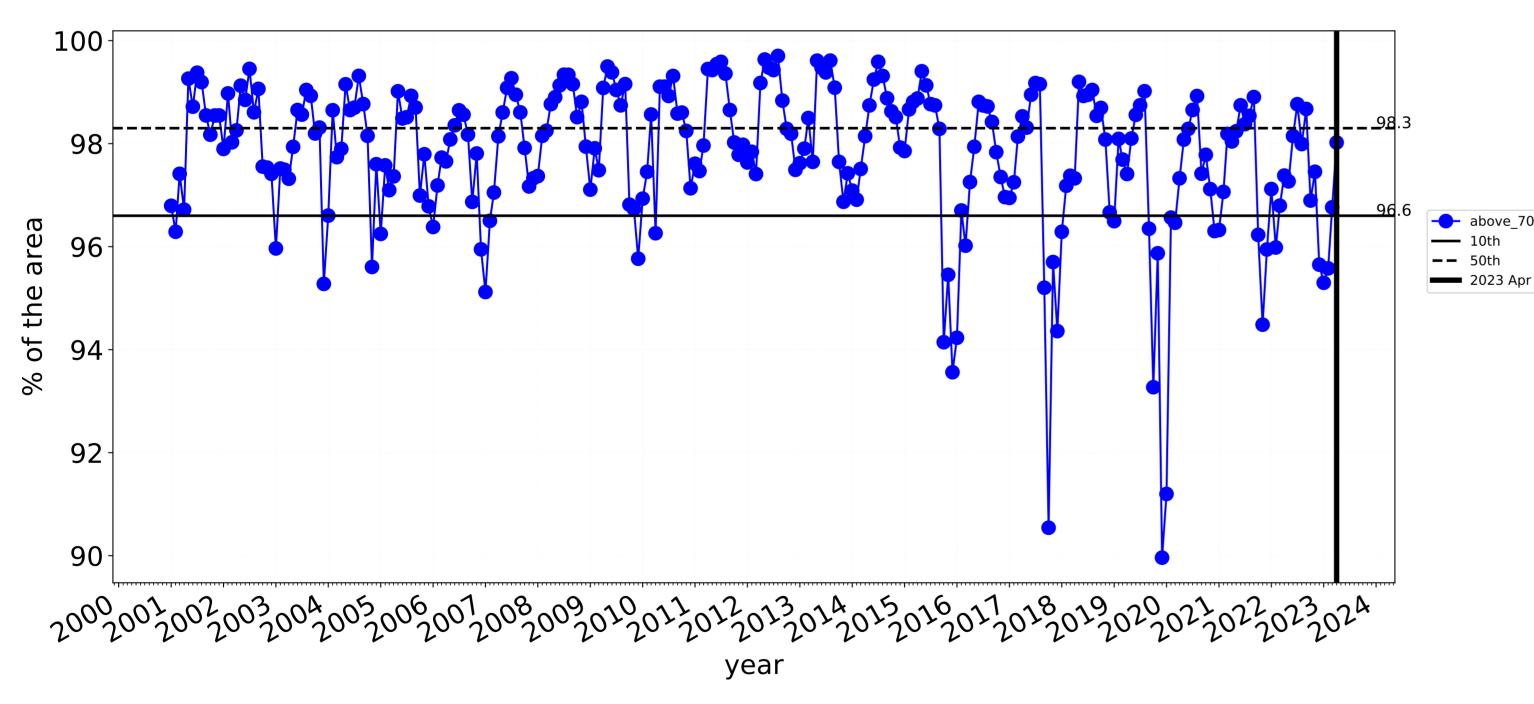


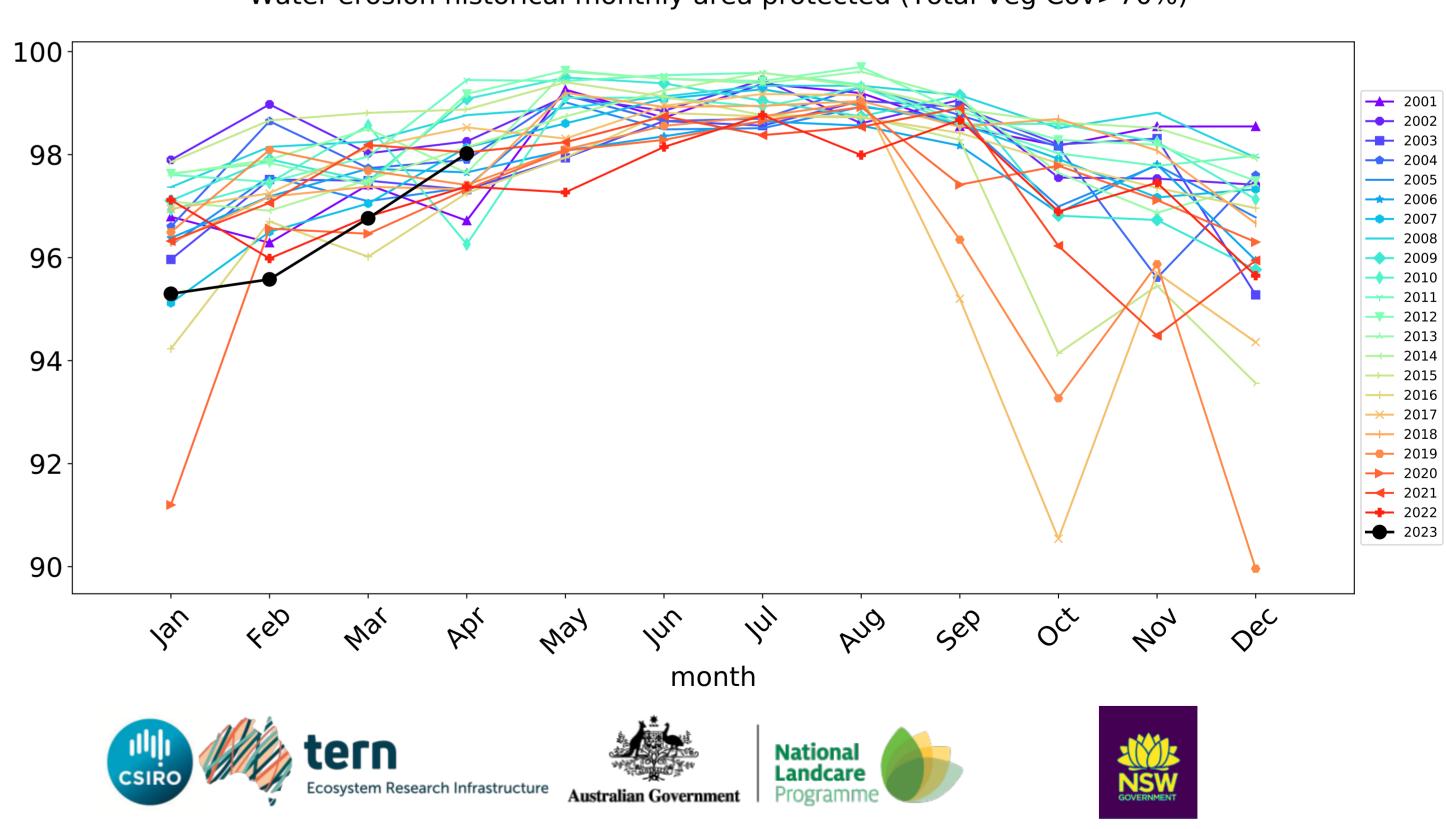




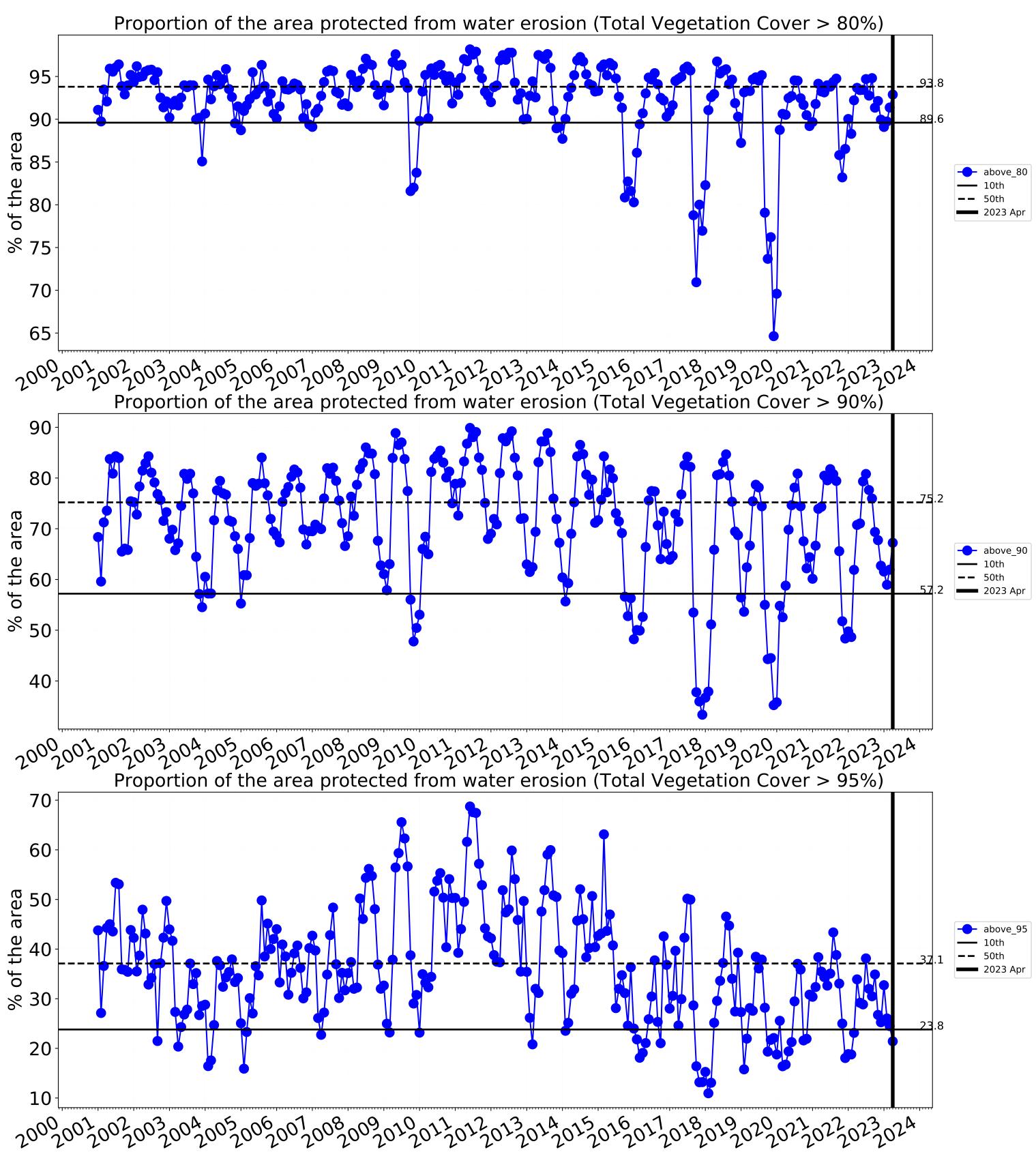
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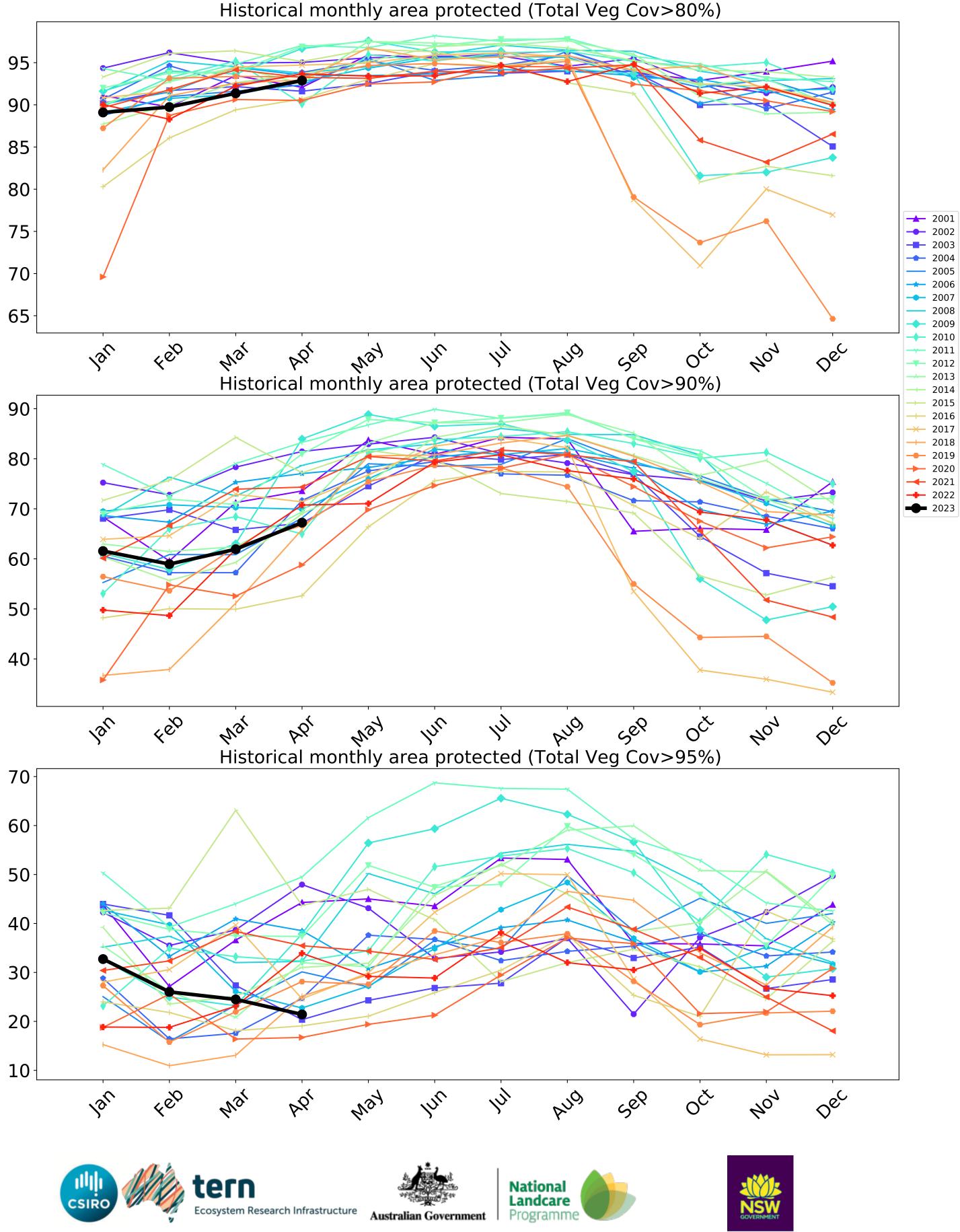






Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)







## Agriculture

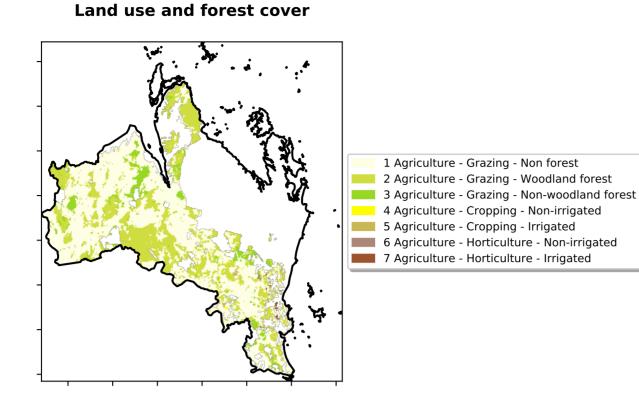
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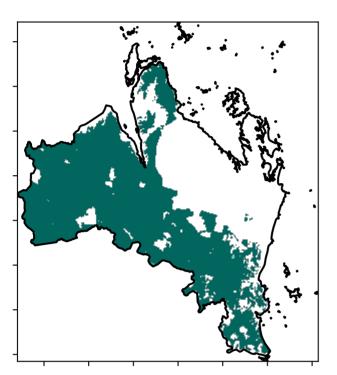
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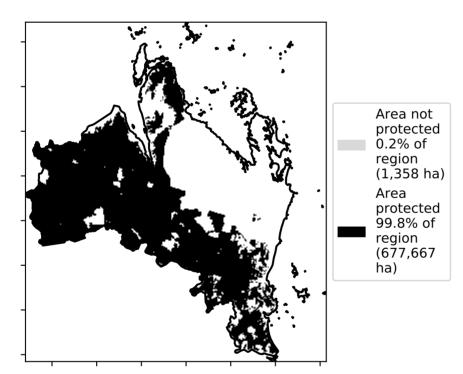
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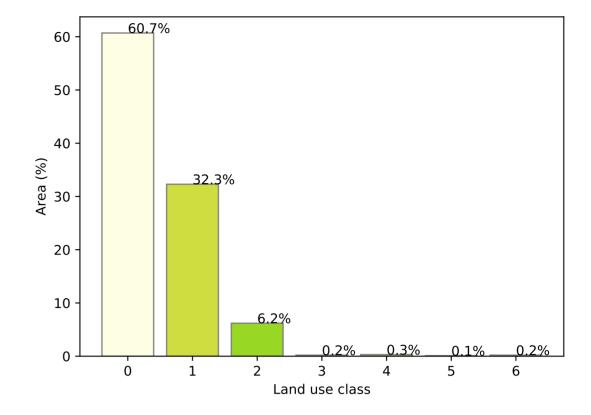


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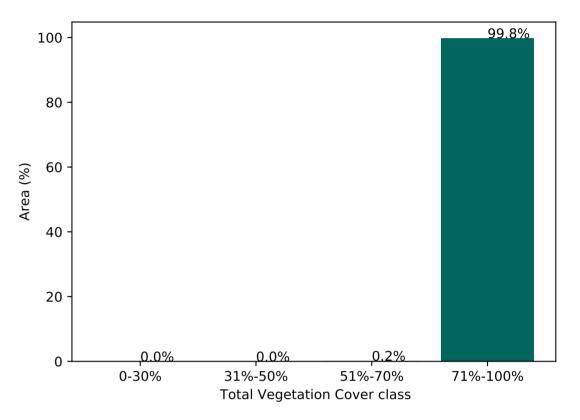
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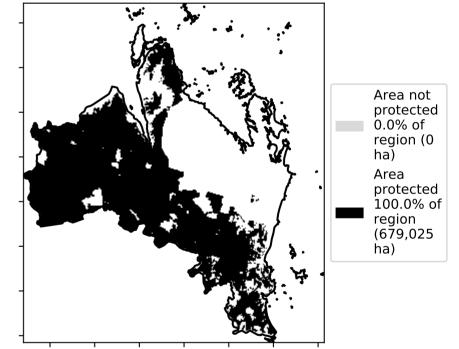


## Proportion of each land class in area

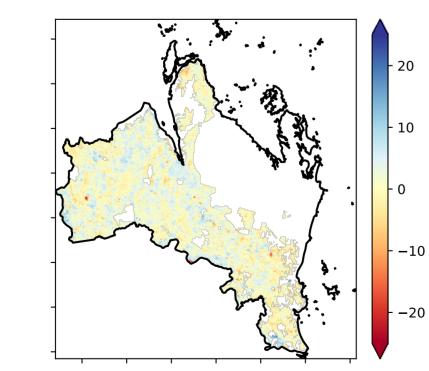
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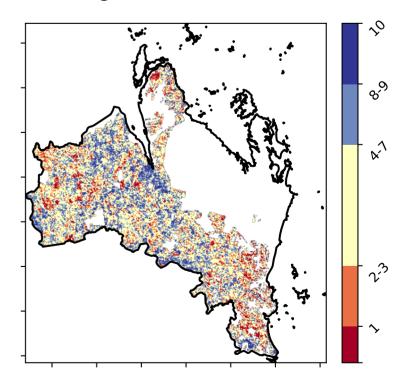


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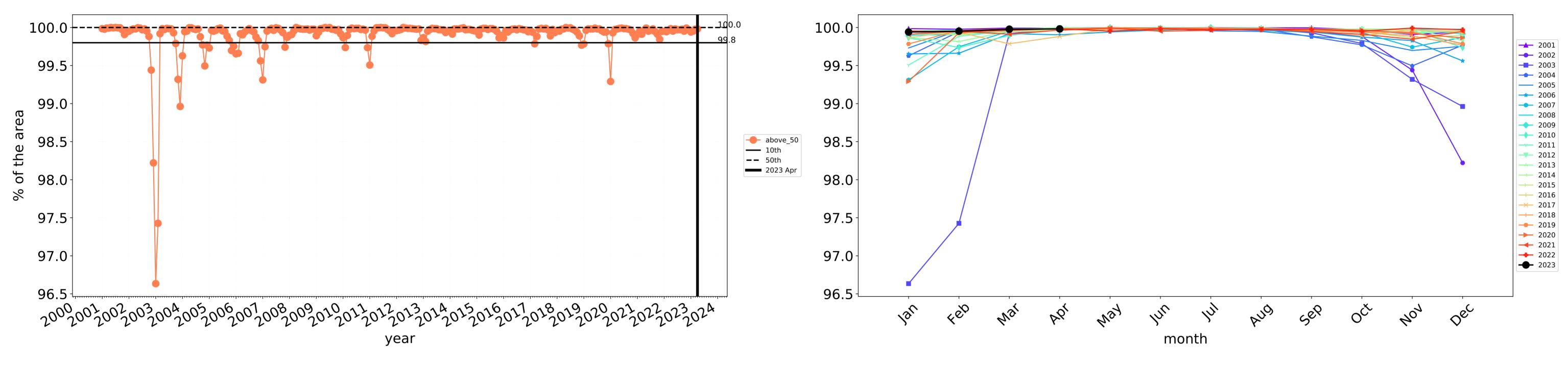
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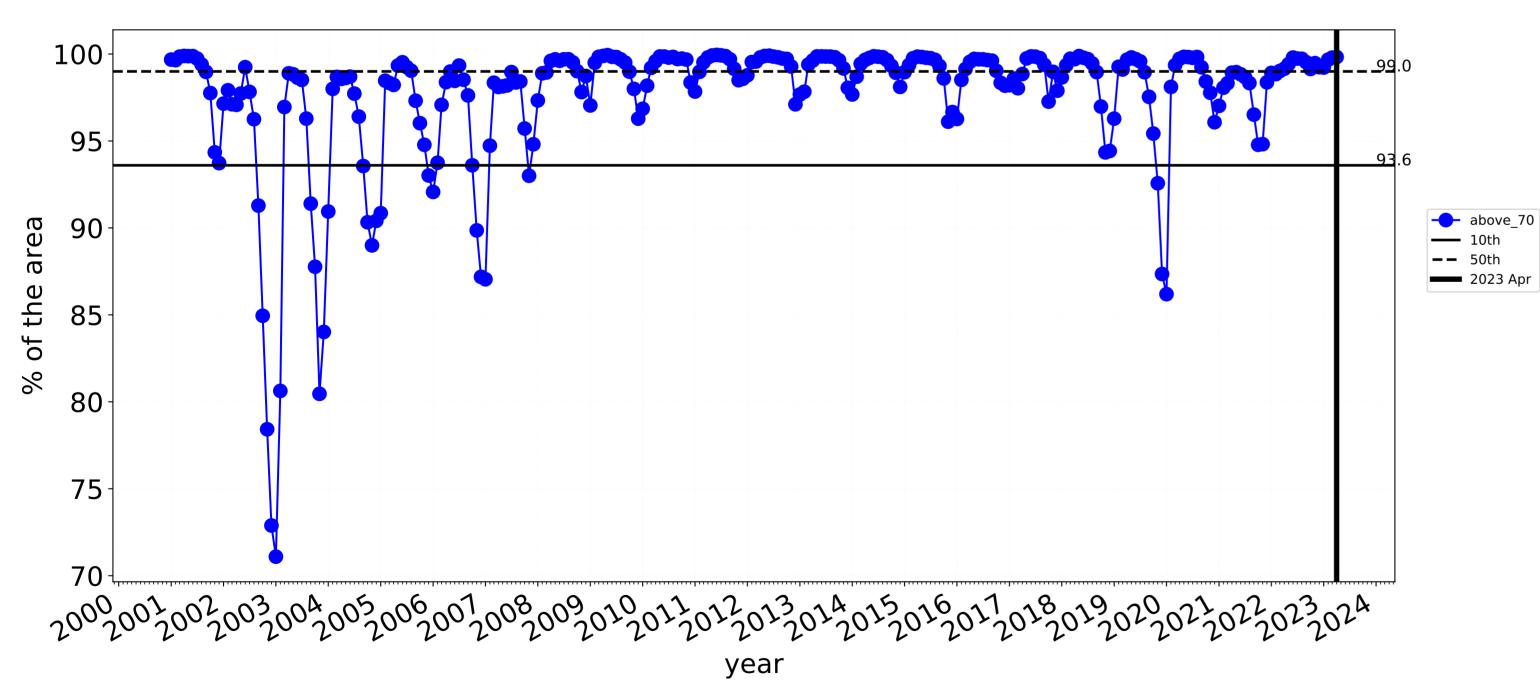
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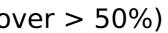




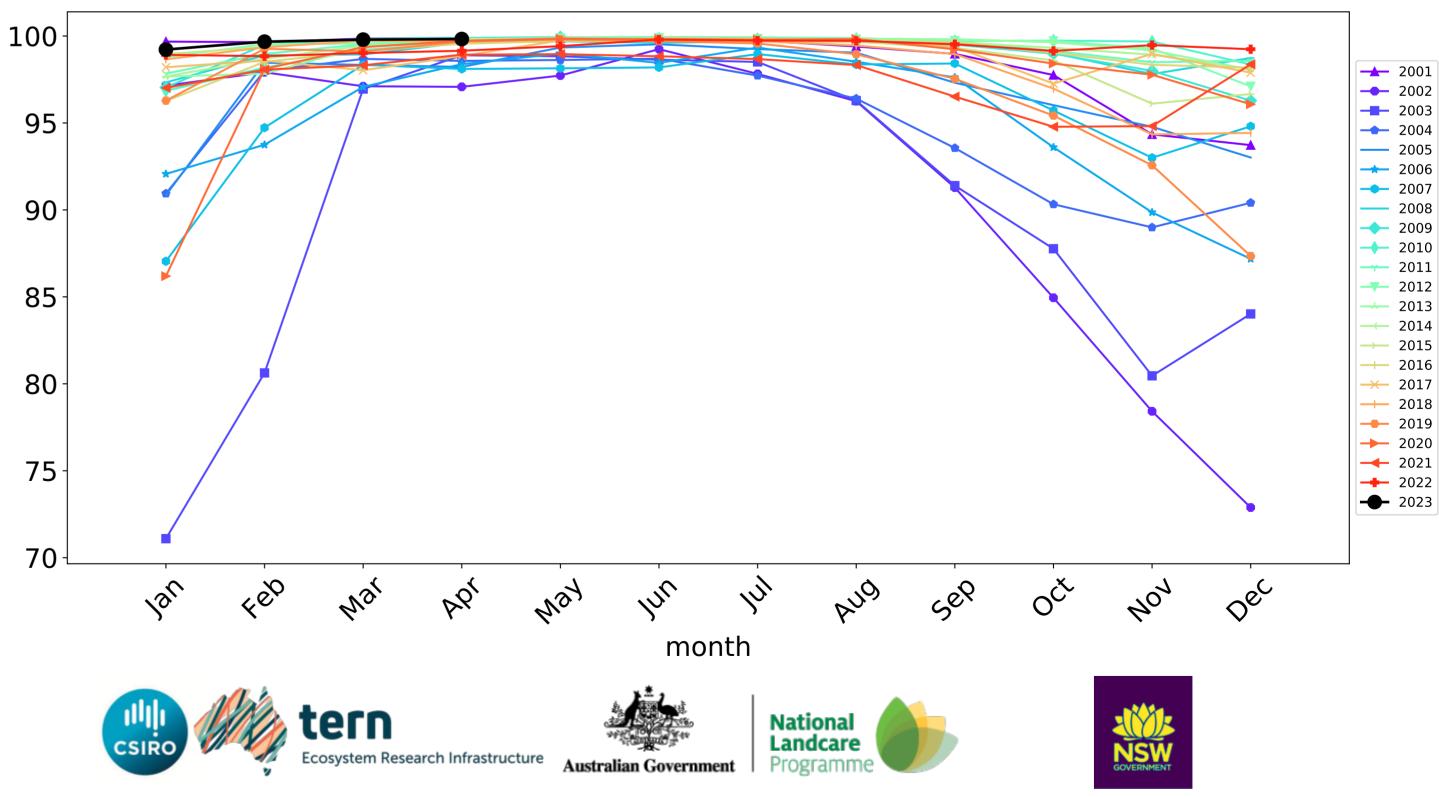
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

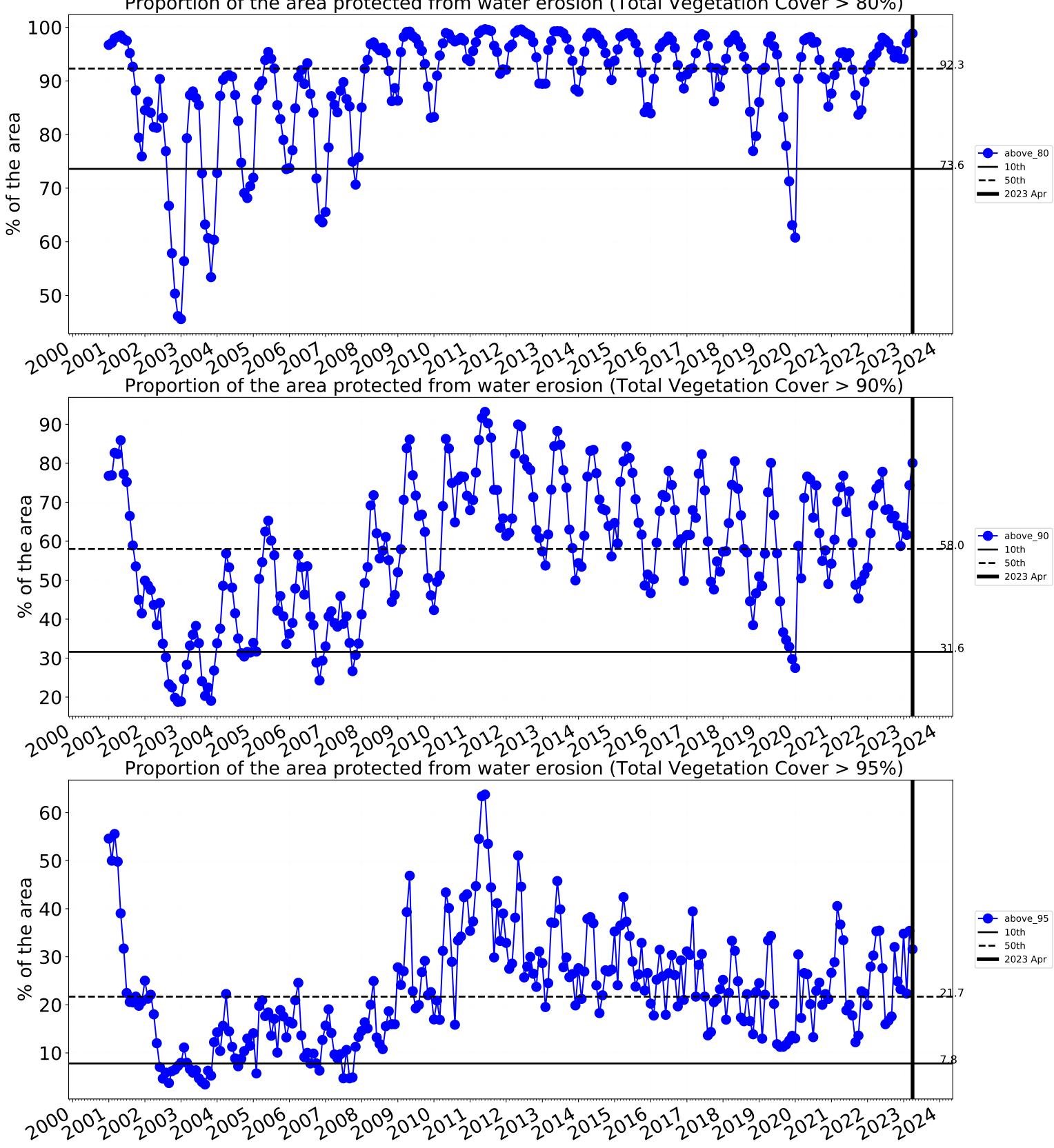
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



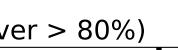


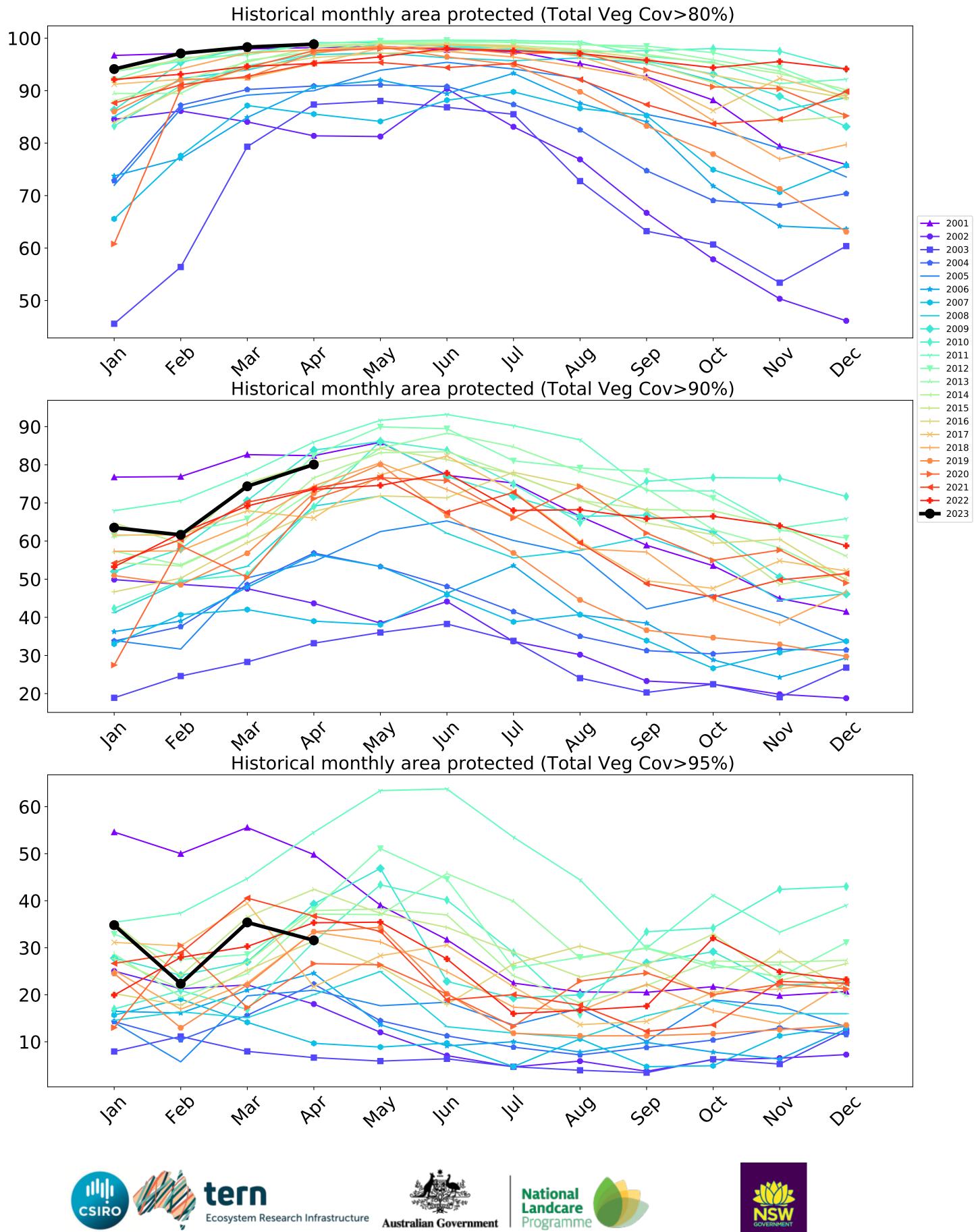
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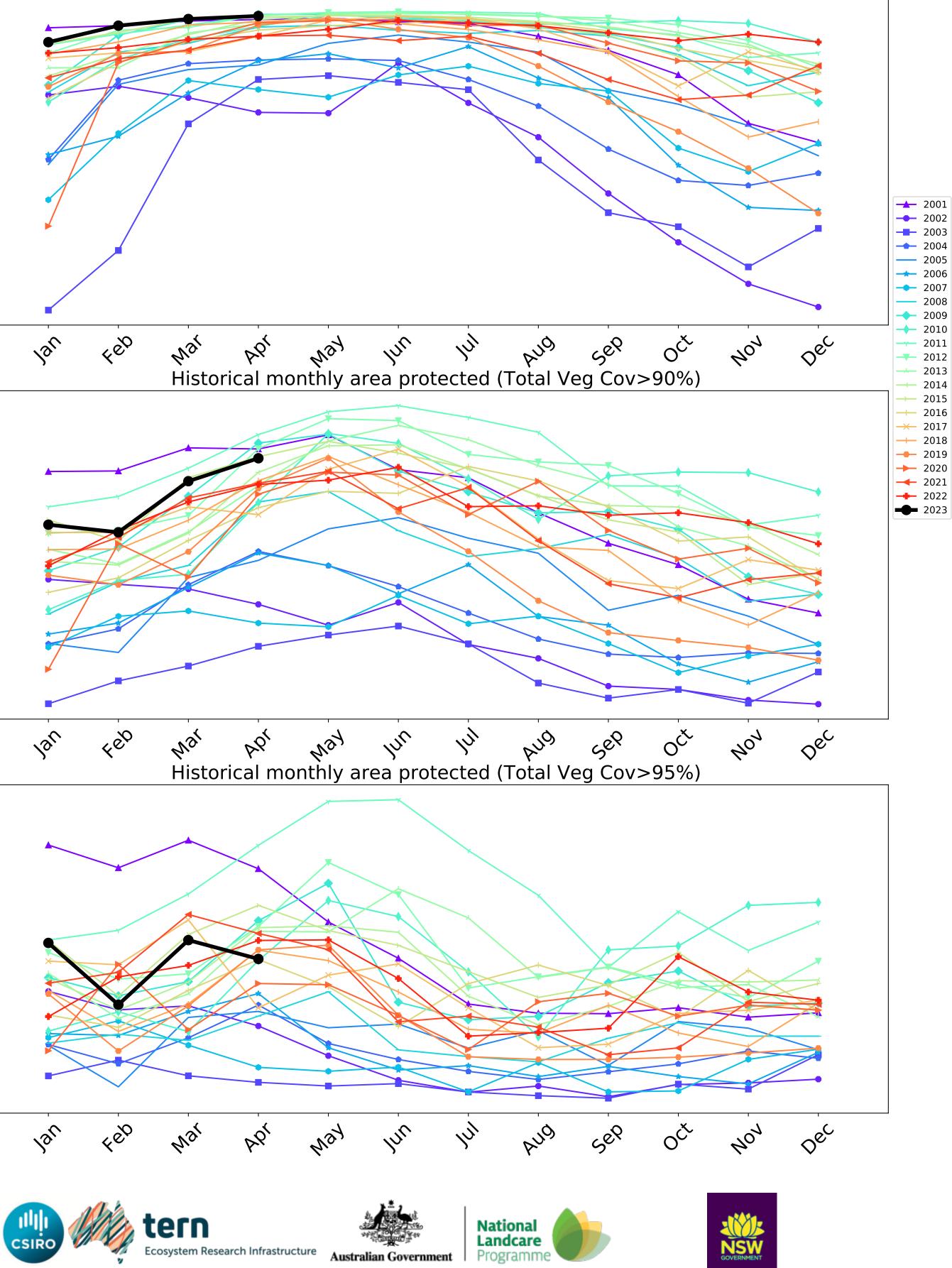




Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 80%)

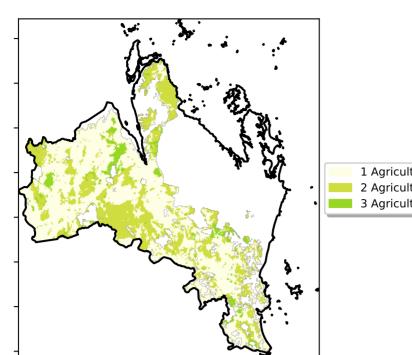






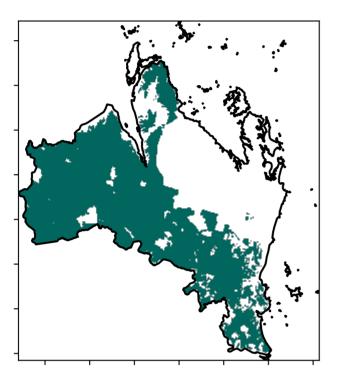
## Grazing

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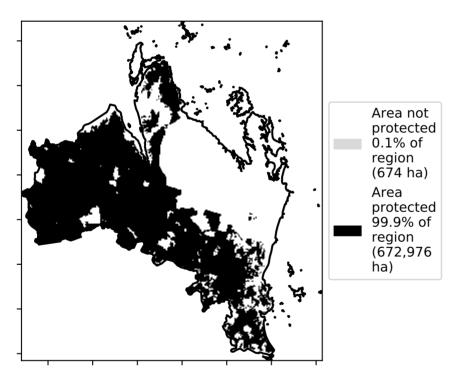


Land use and forest cover

**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



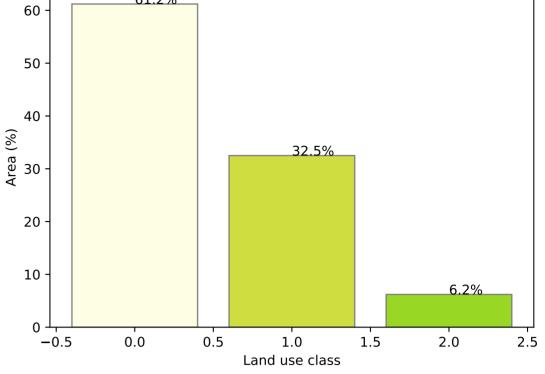
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



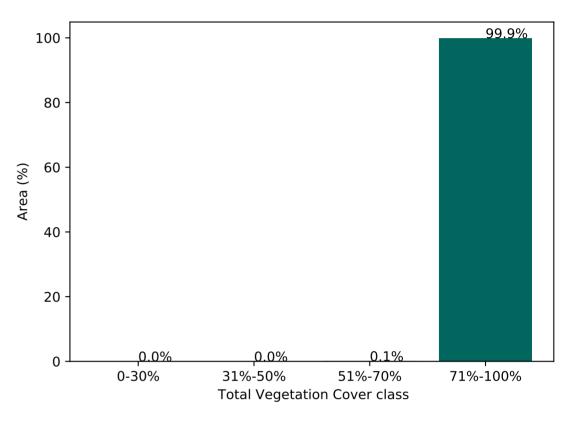
1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest 2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest 3 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest

# 12%-200 52%70% 32%50% 0.30%

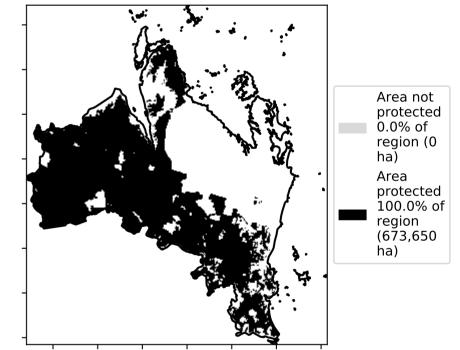
# Proportion of each land class in area 61.2%



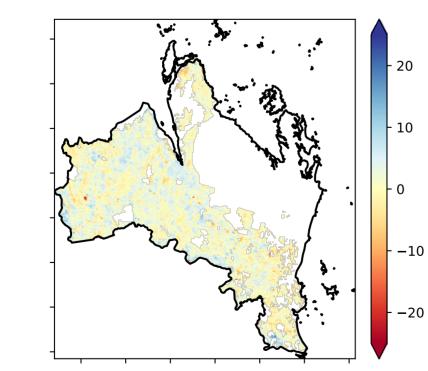
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

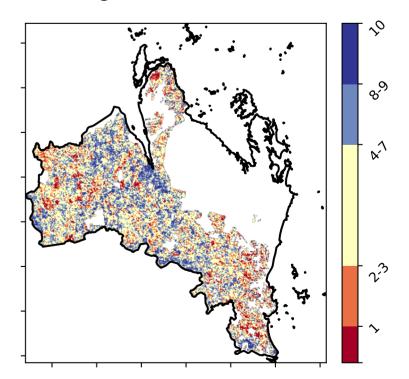


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



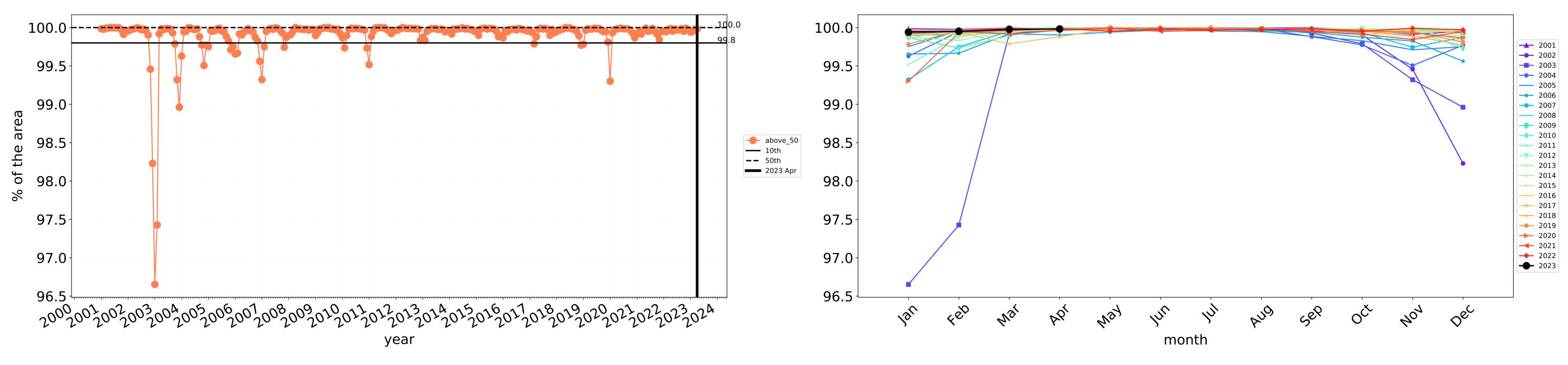
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



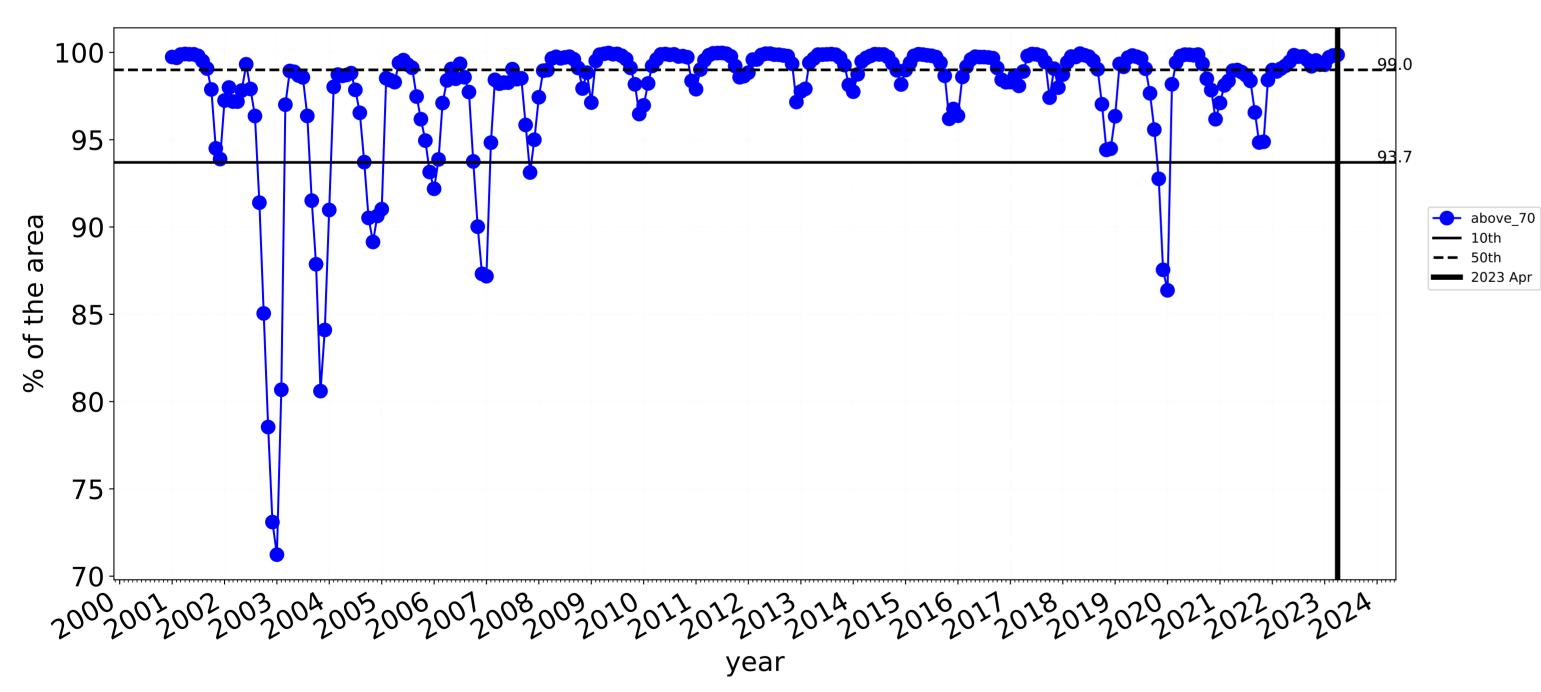


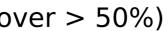
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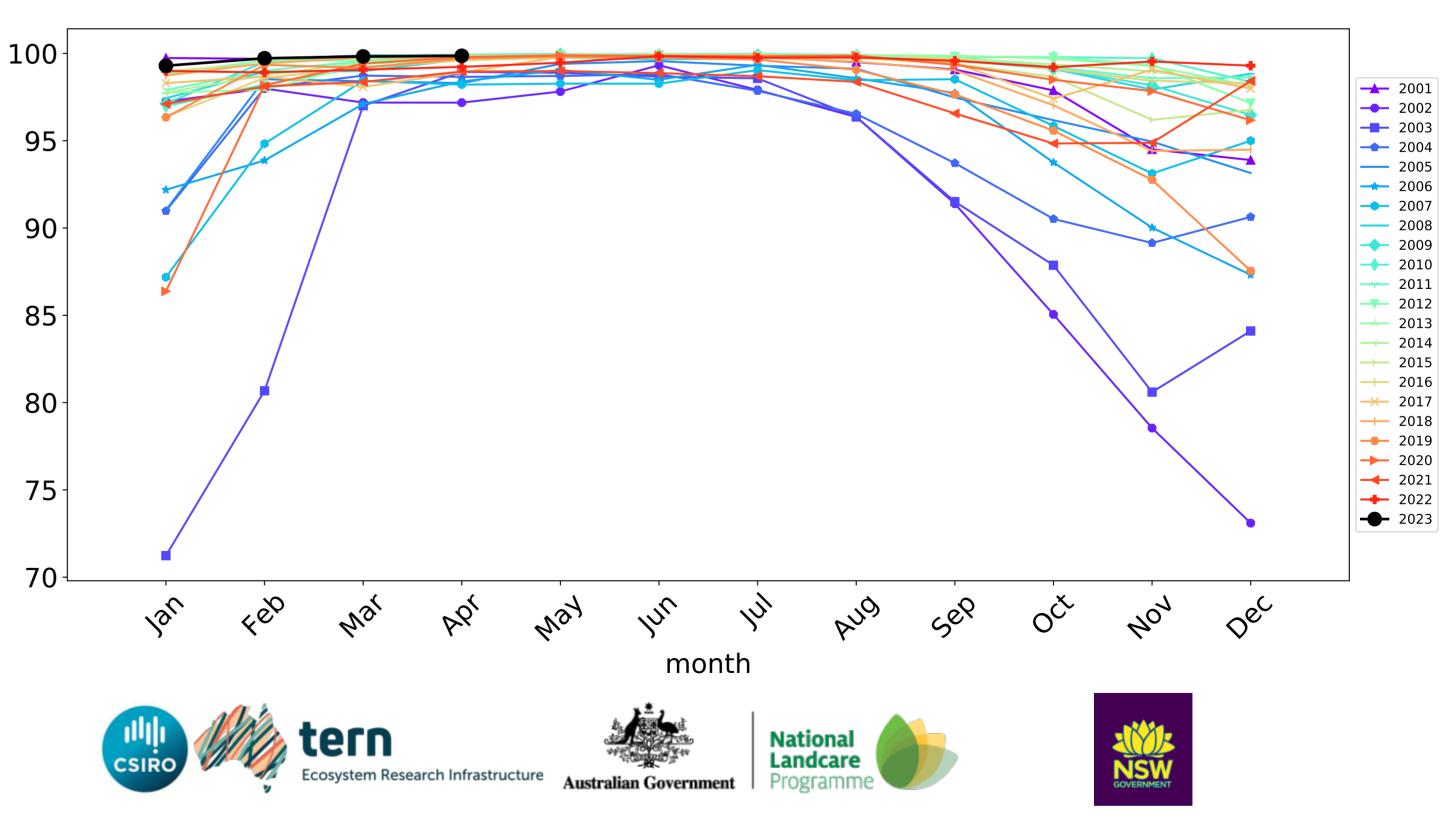
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

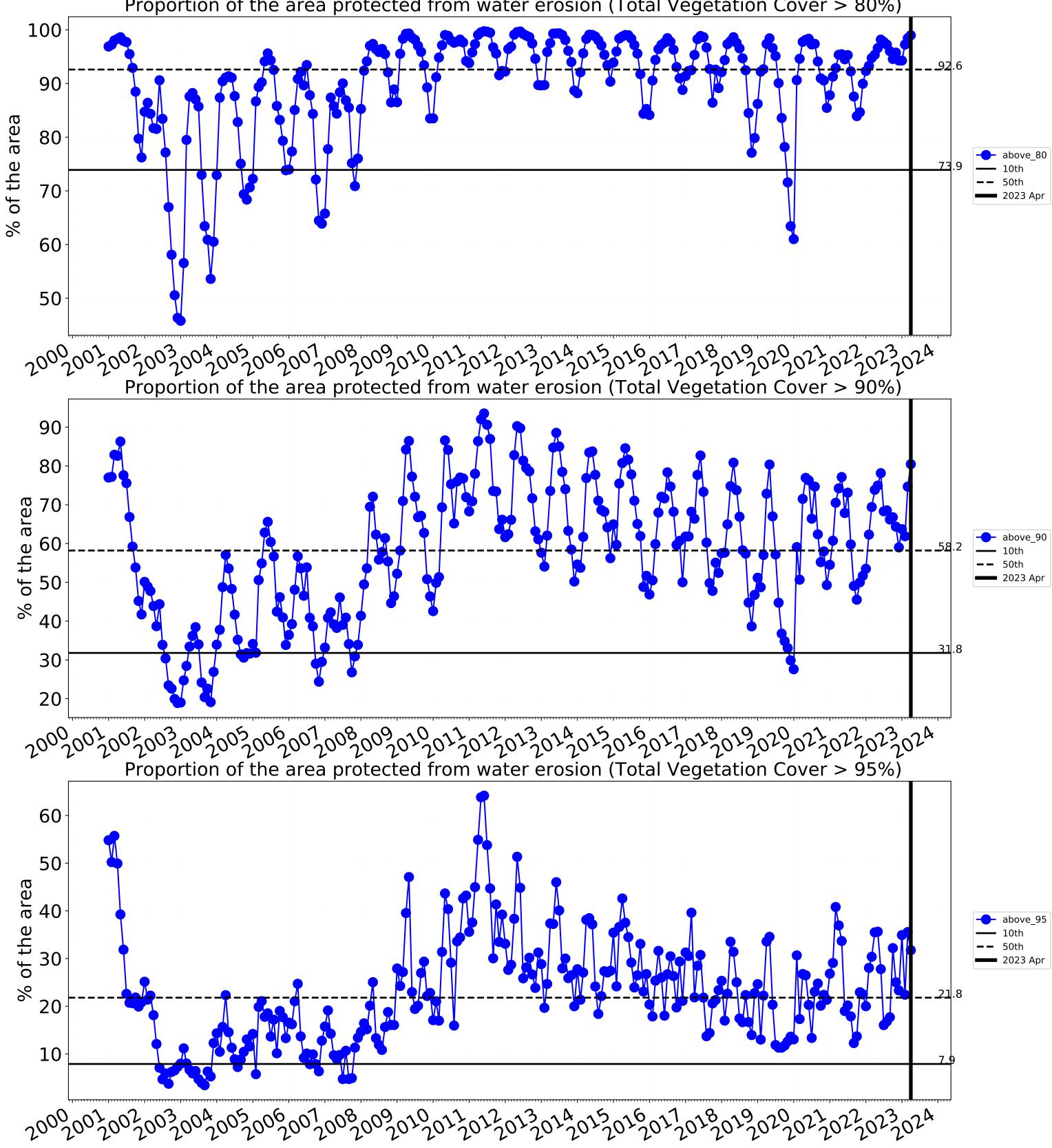
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)





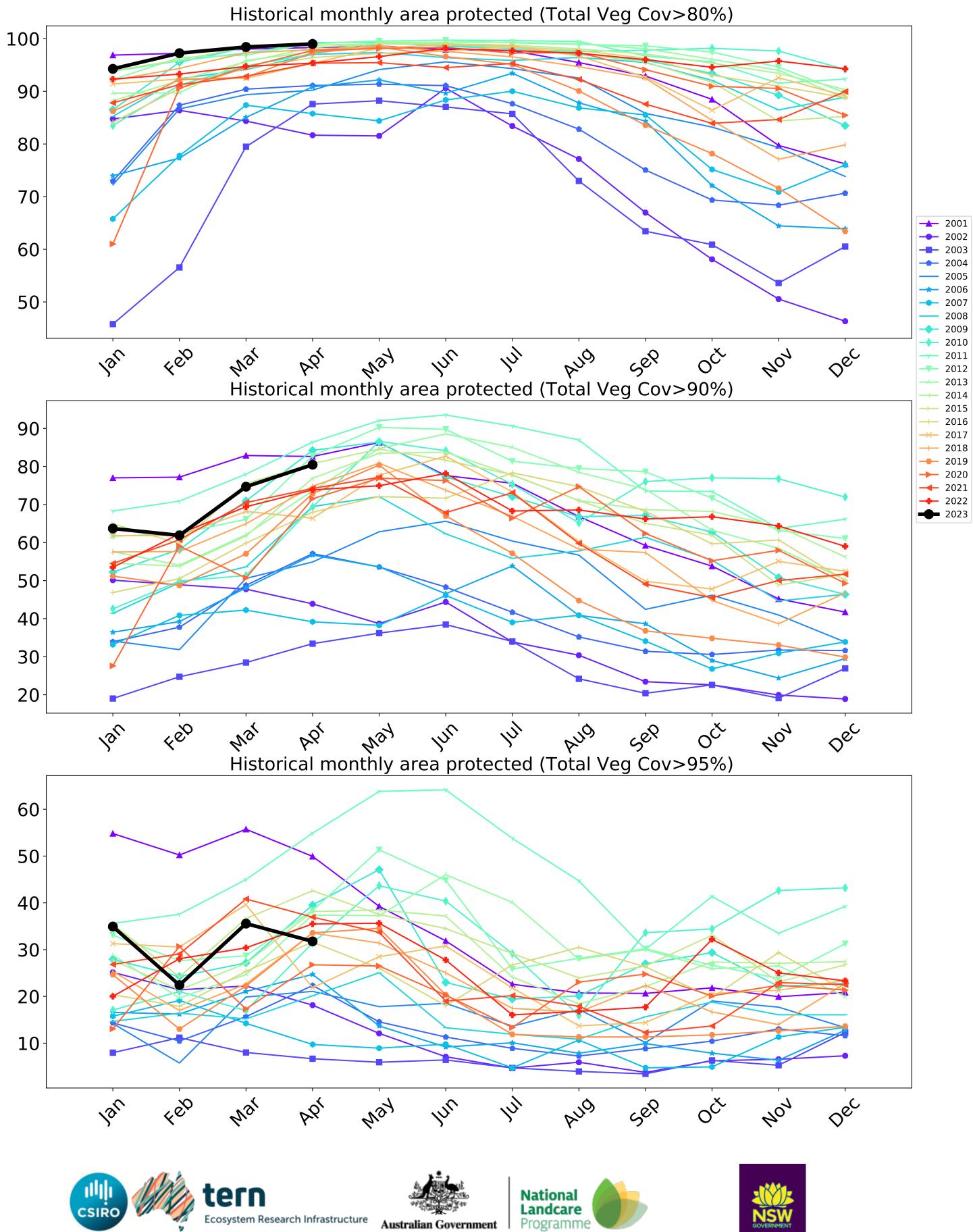
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

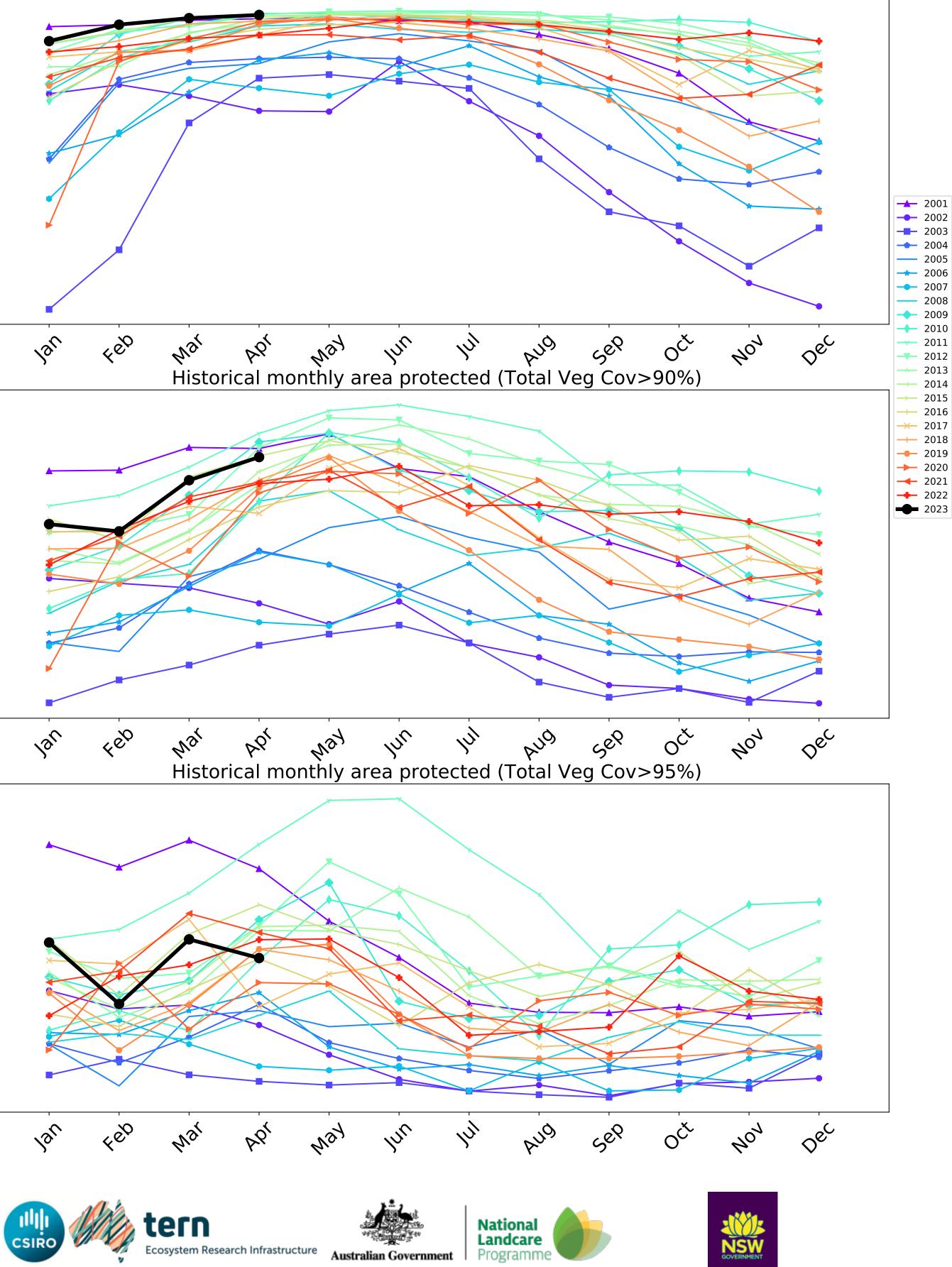




Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 80%)







## Grazing non forest

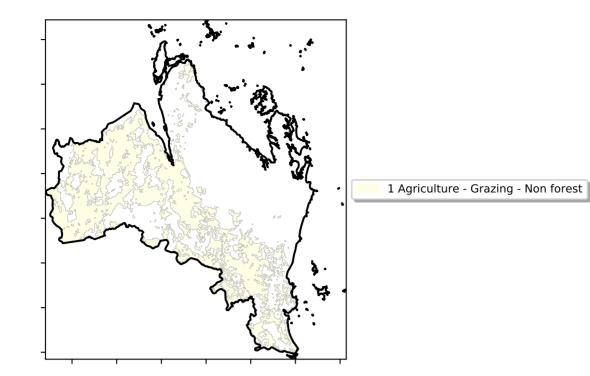
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52%70

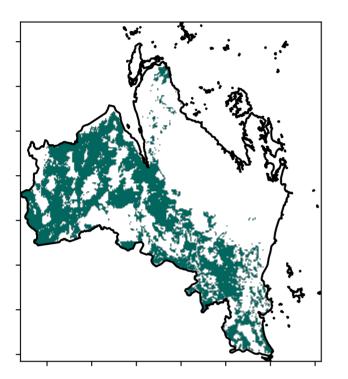
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0.30%

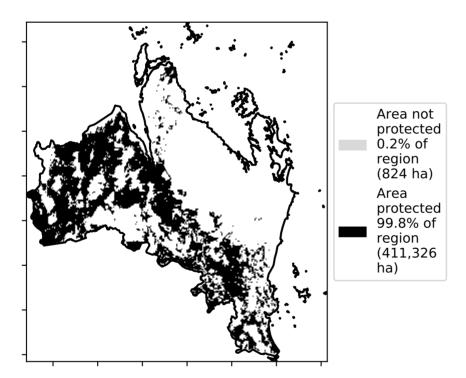
Land use and forest cover



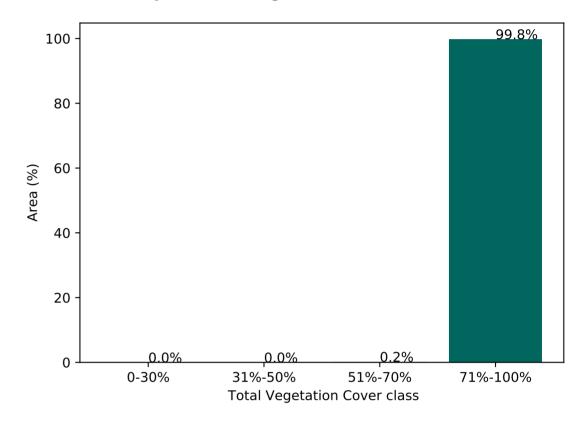
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



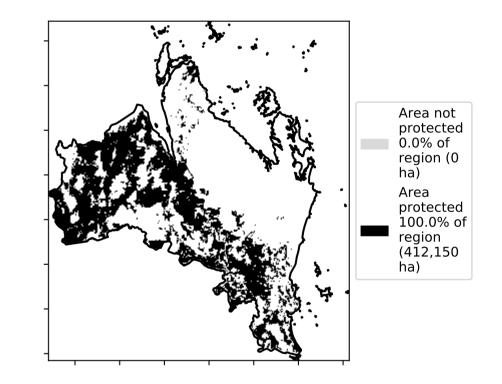
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

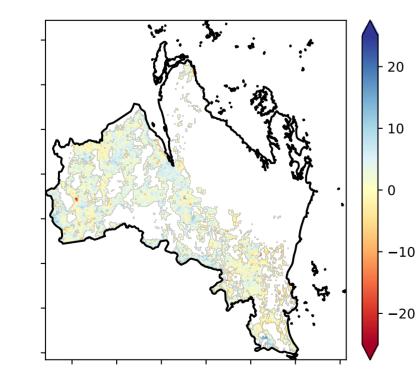


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

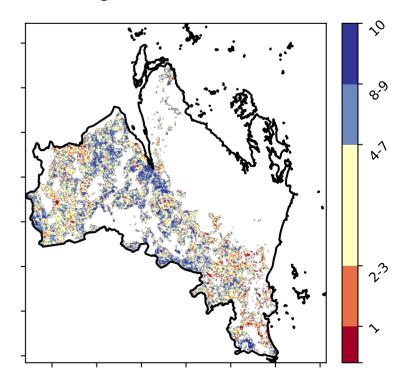


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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

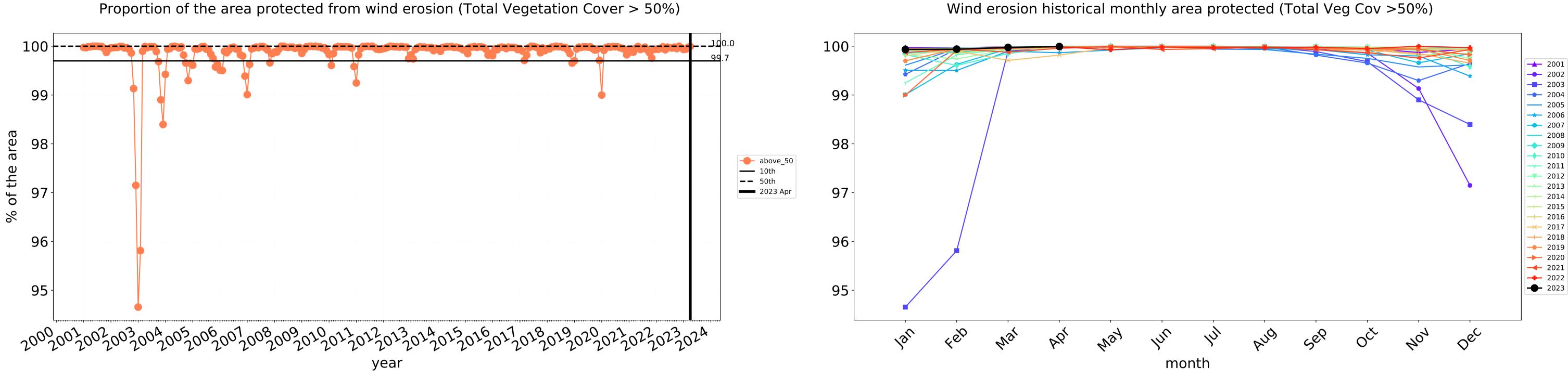


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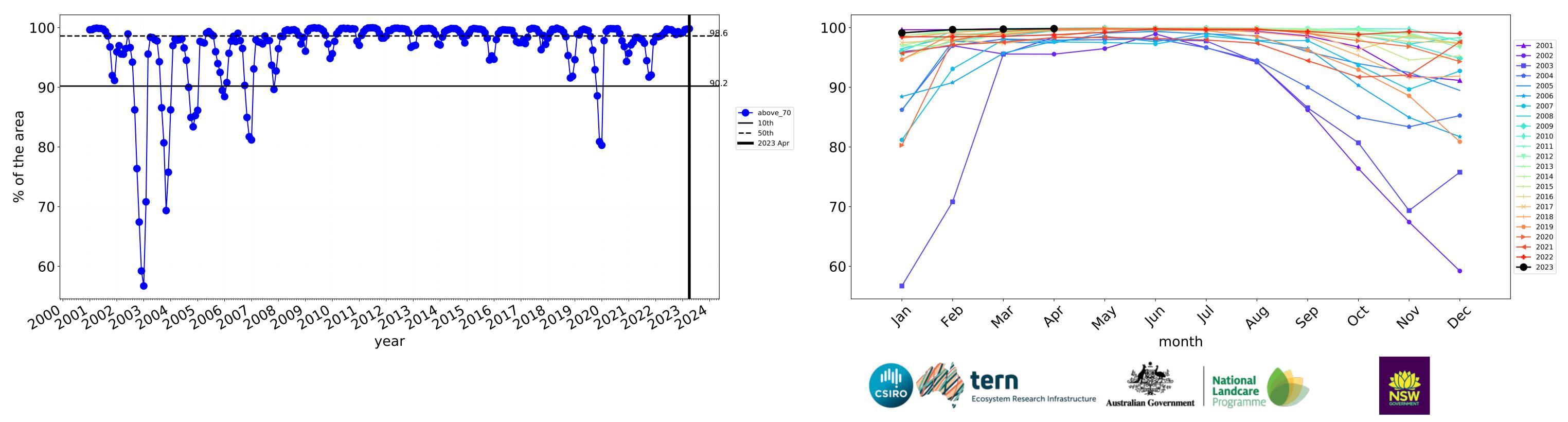


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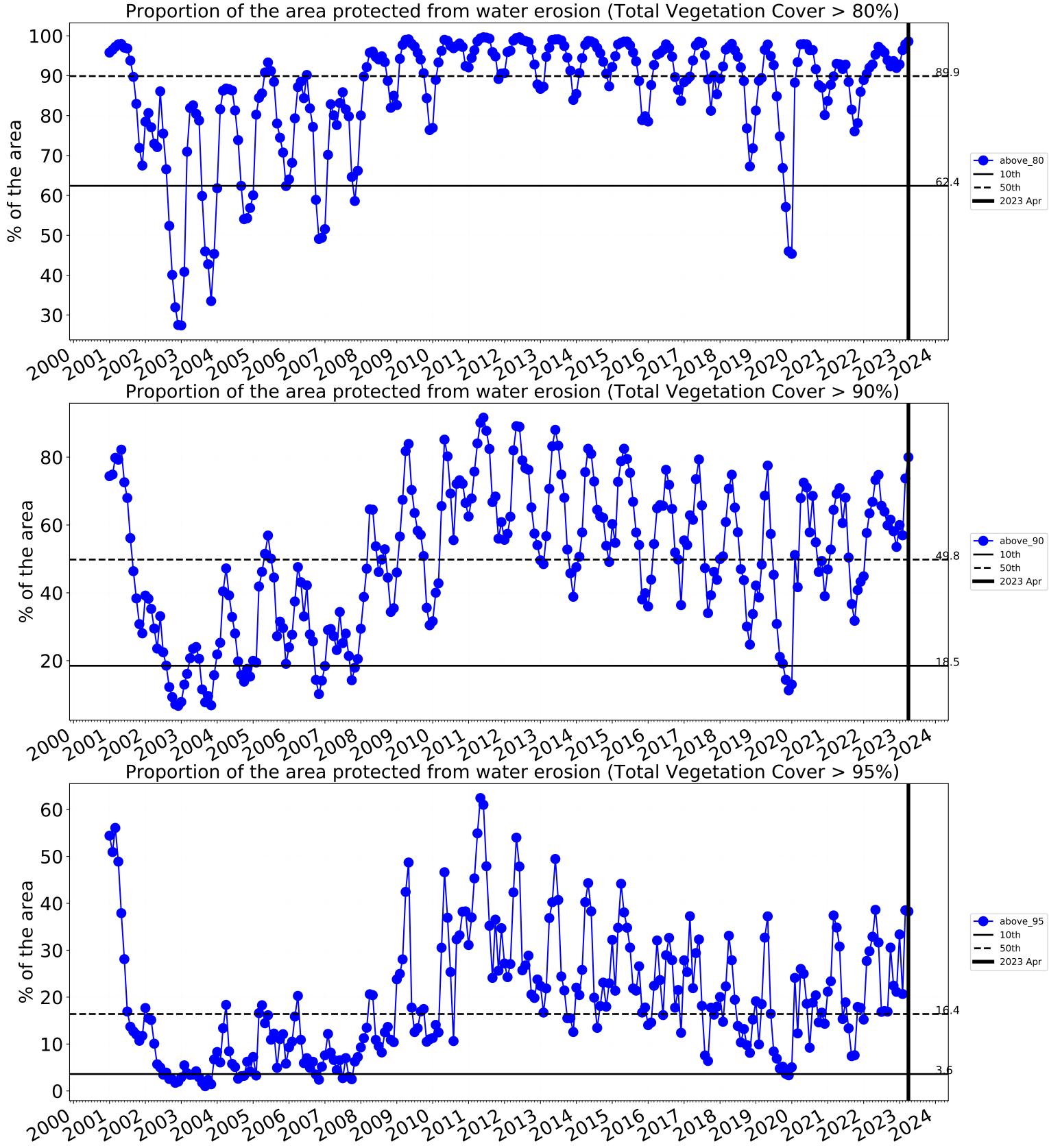
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

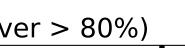
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

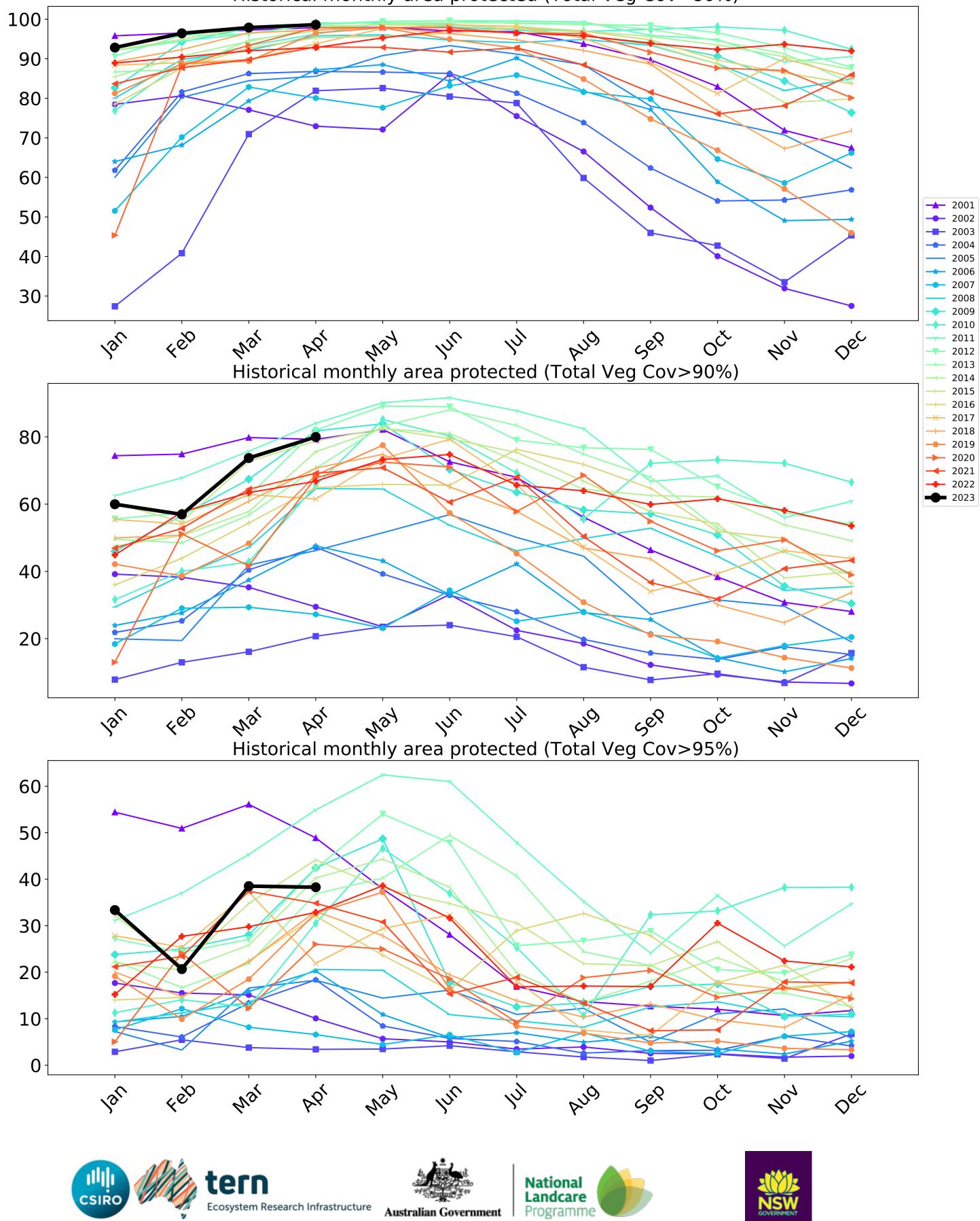


# Grazing non forest timeseries













## **Grazing Woodland forest**

12%100

52%70

32%50%

0.30%

Land use and forest cover

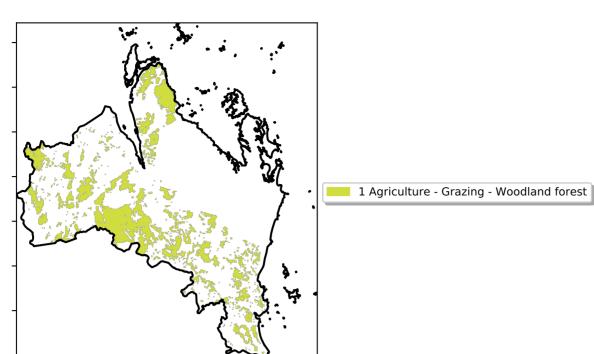


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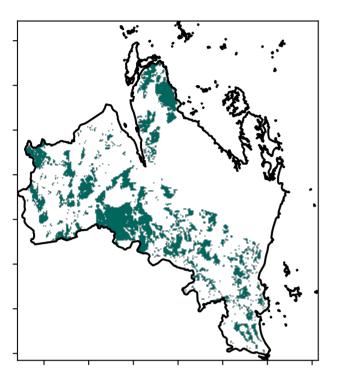
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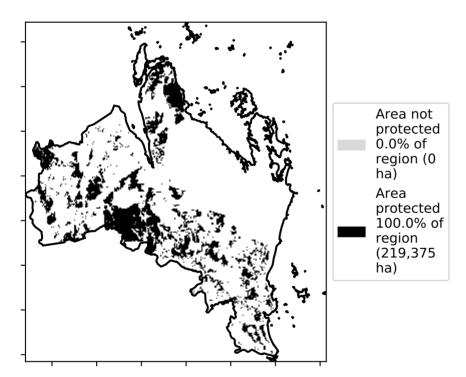
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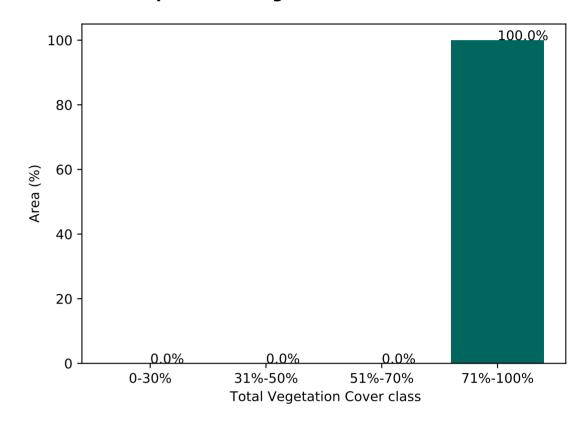
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



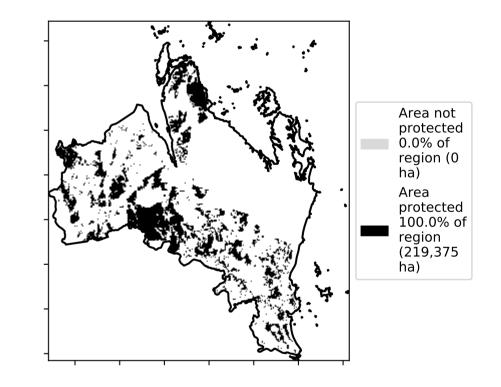
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



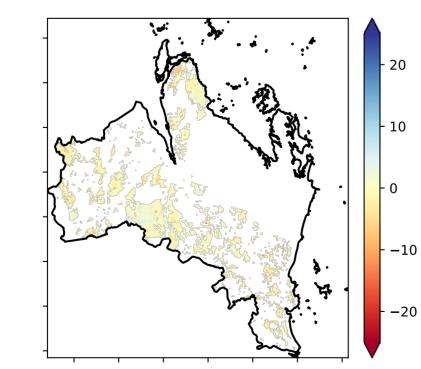
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



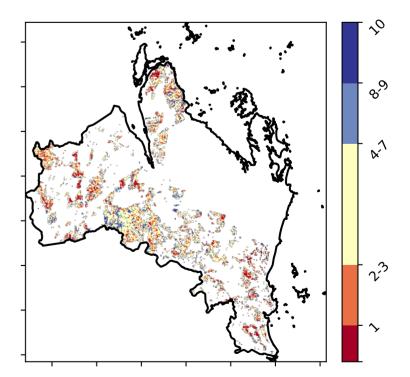
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



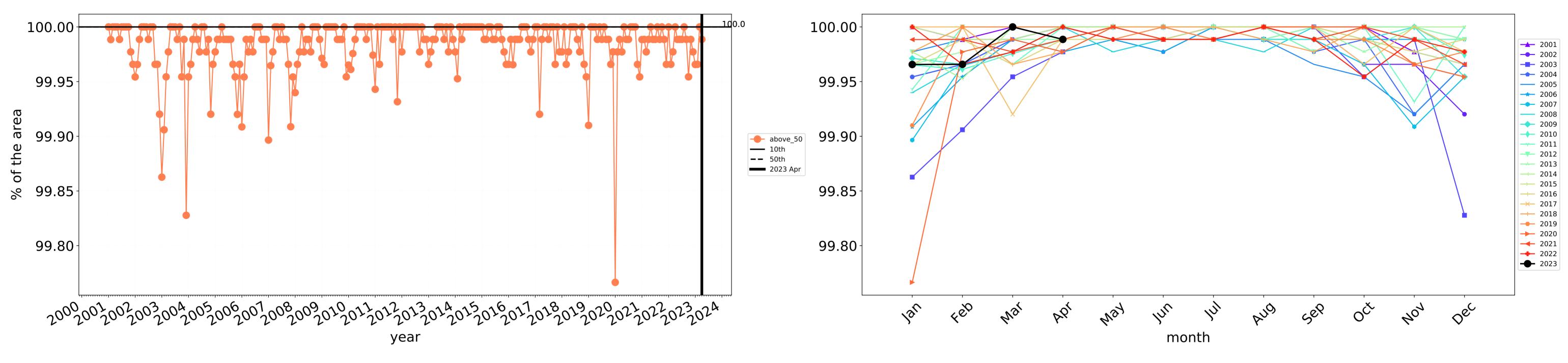
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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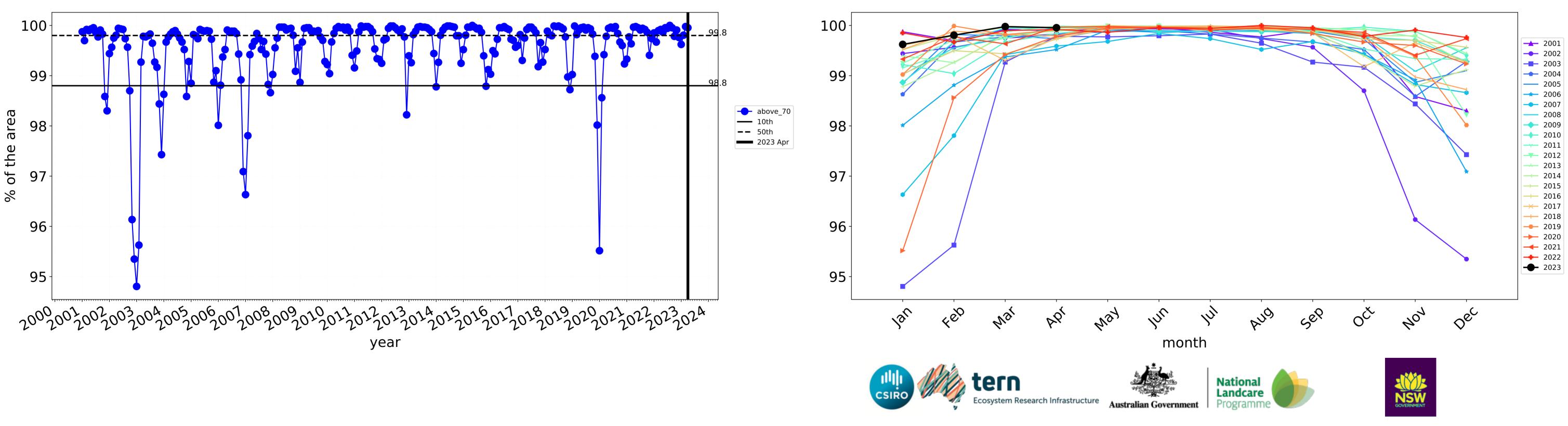






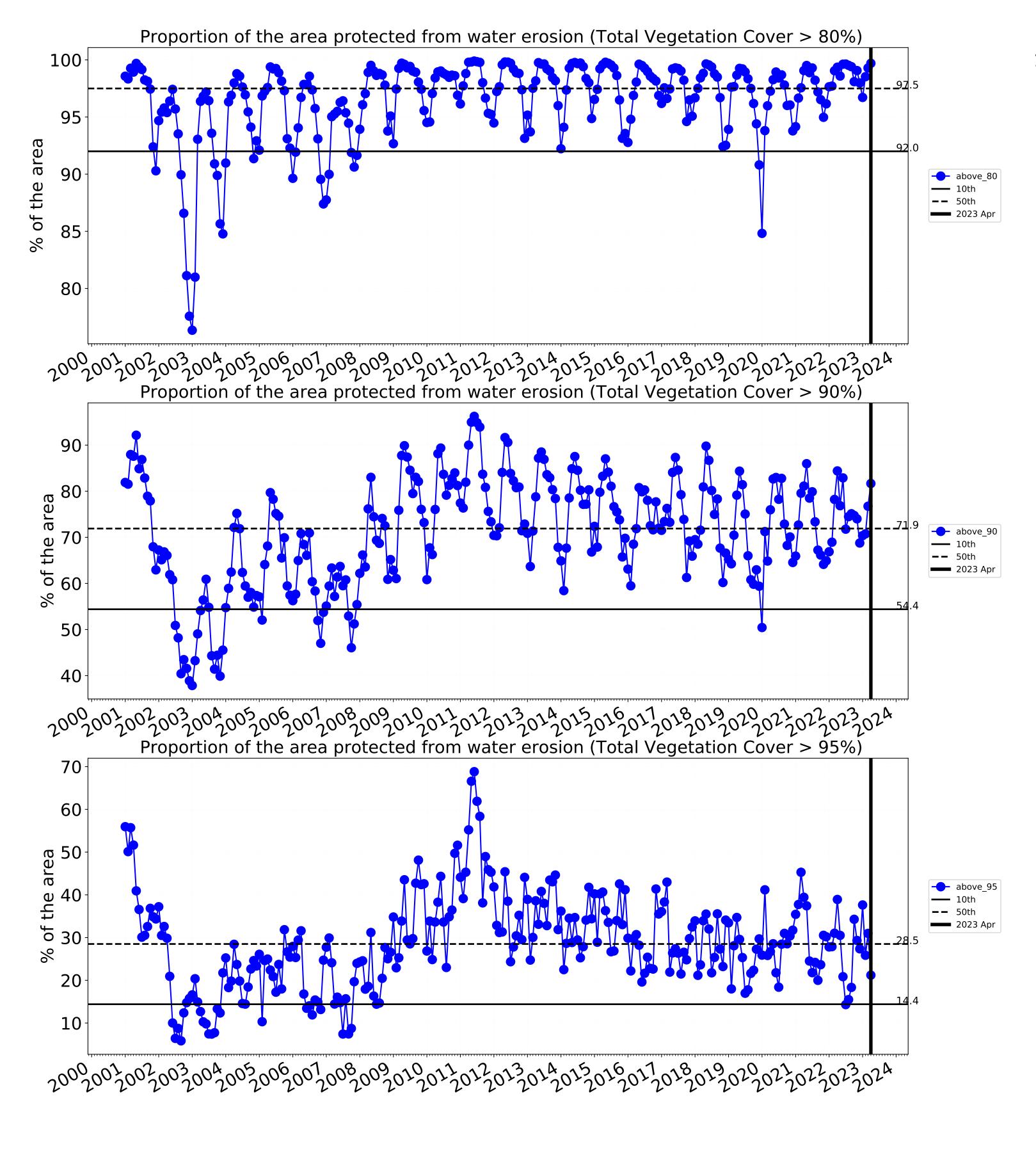
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

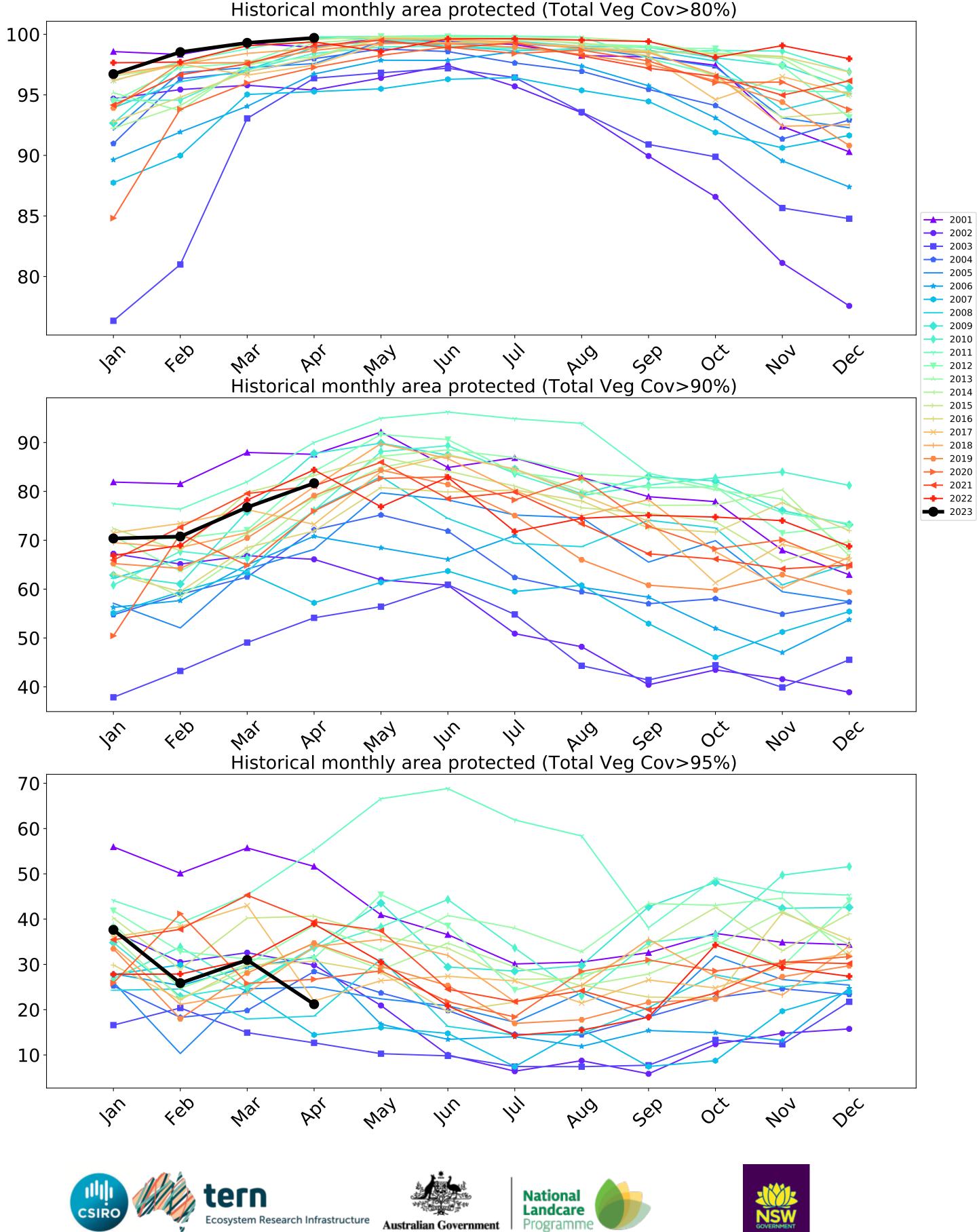
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

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







## Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

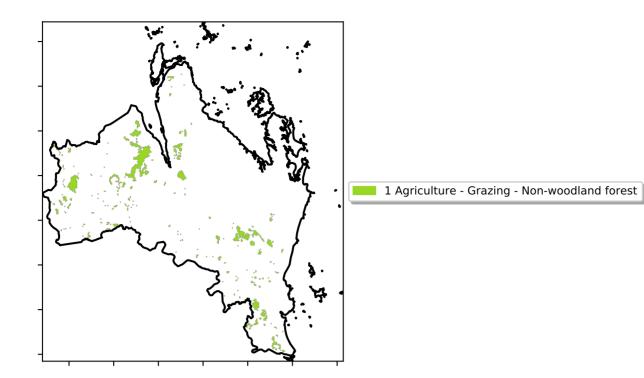
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52%70%

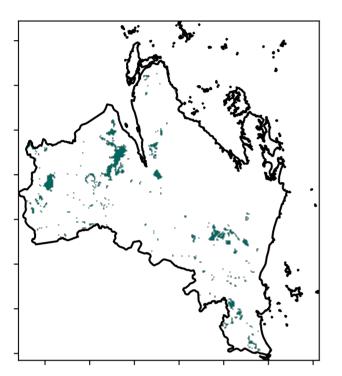
32%50%

0.30%

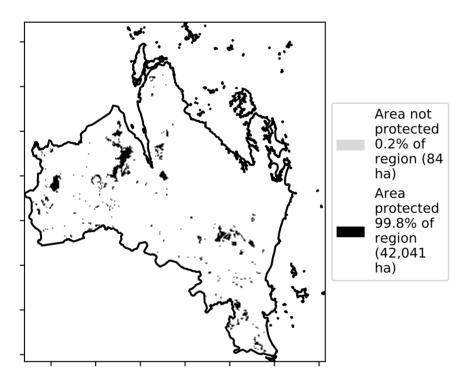
Land use and forest cover



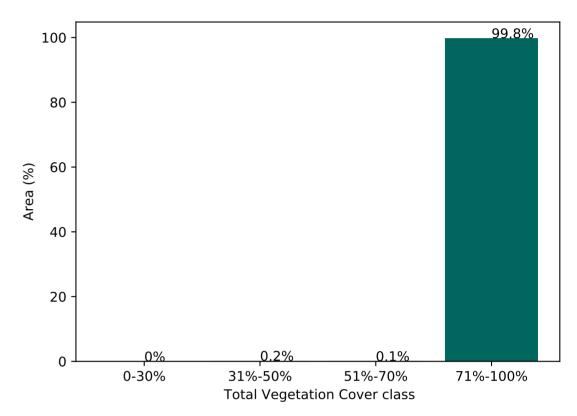
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



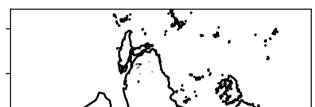
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

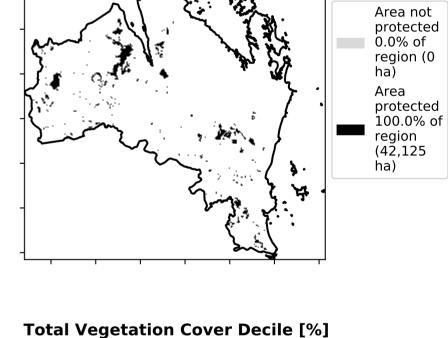


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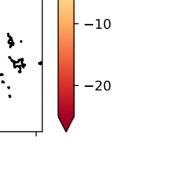
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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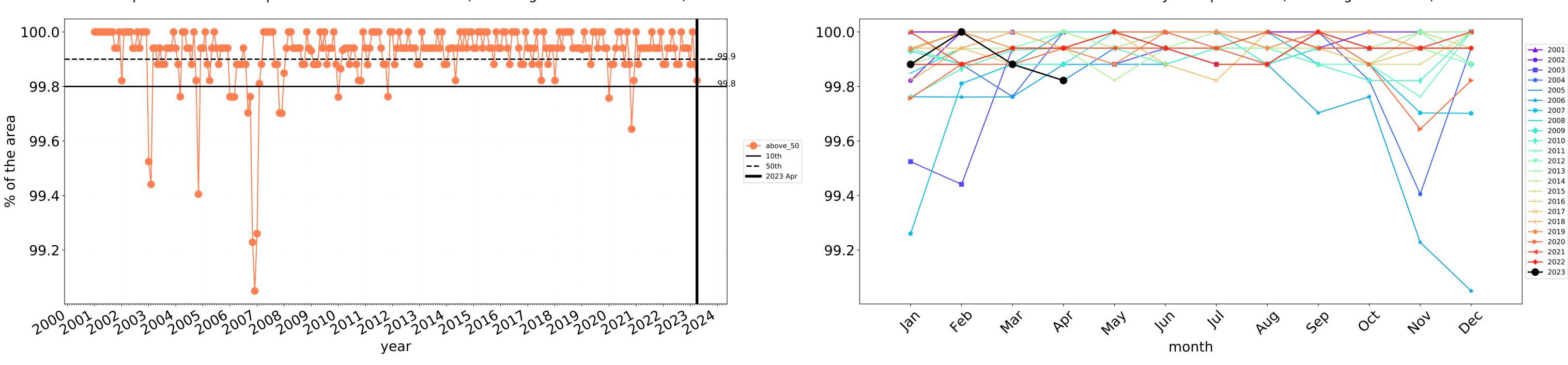
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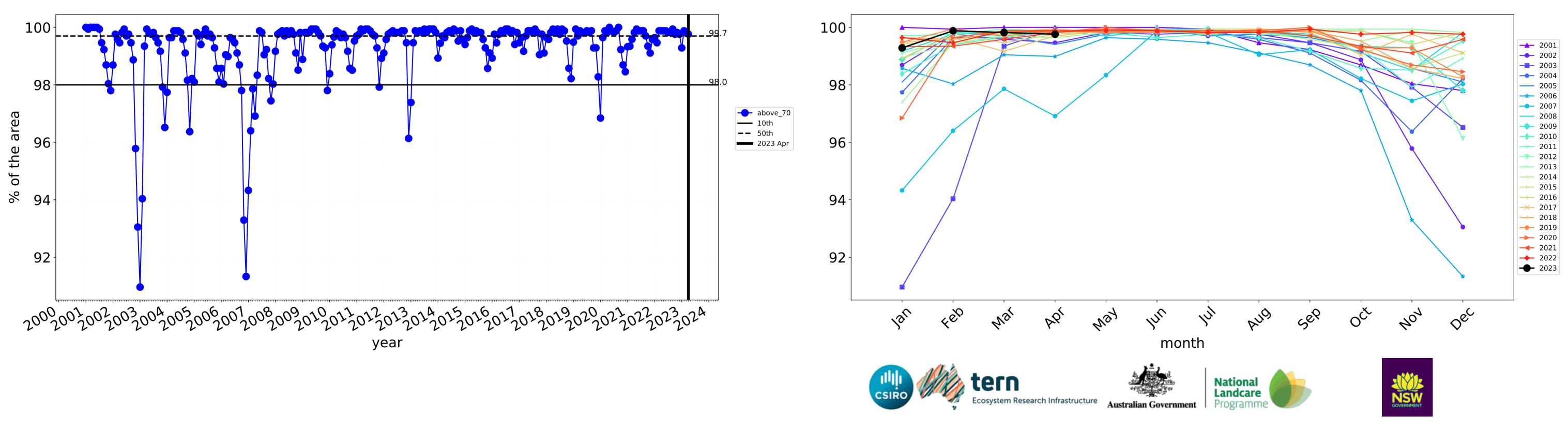
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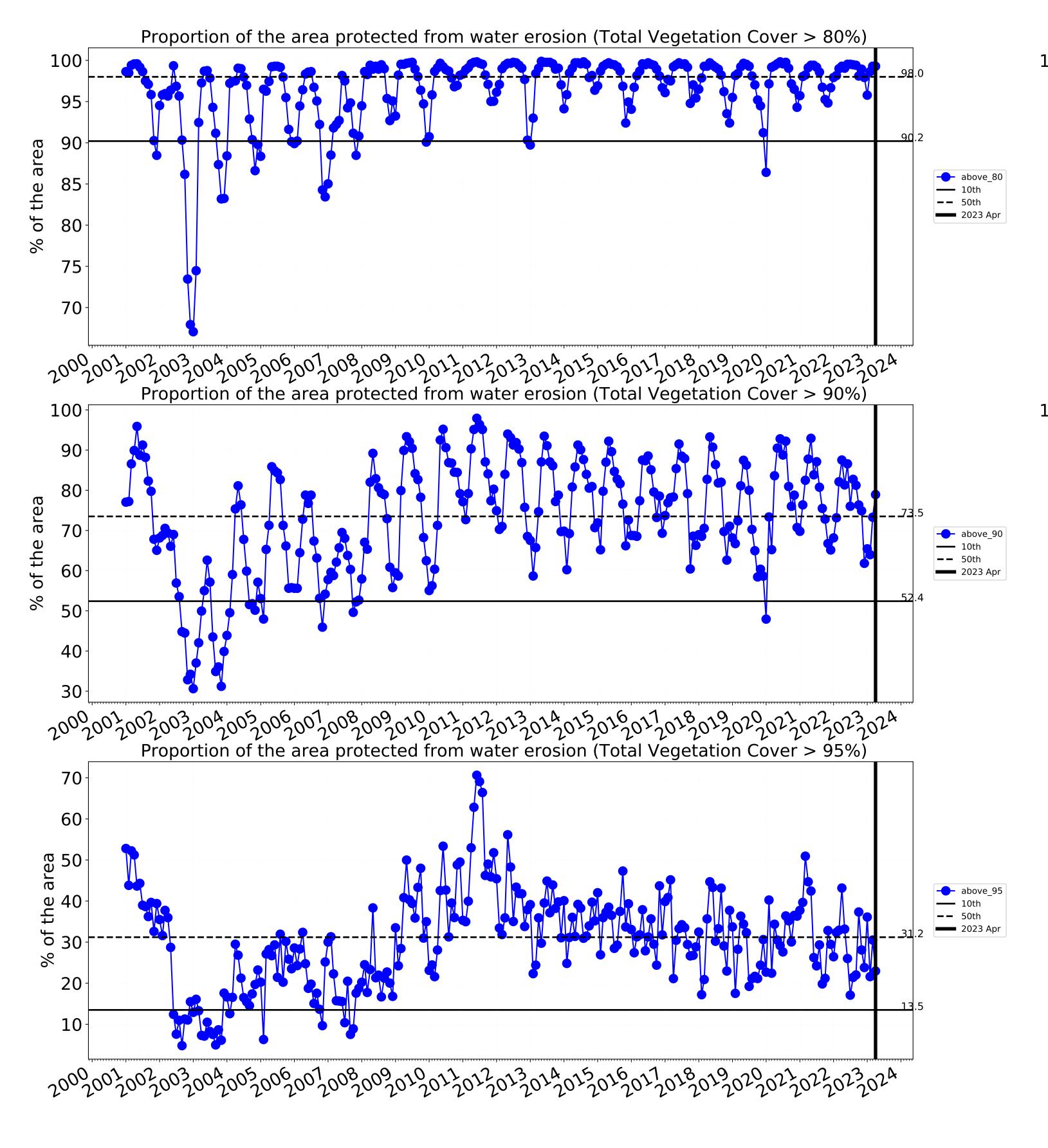


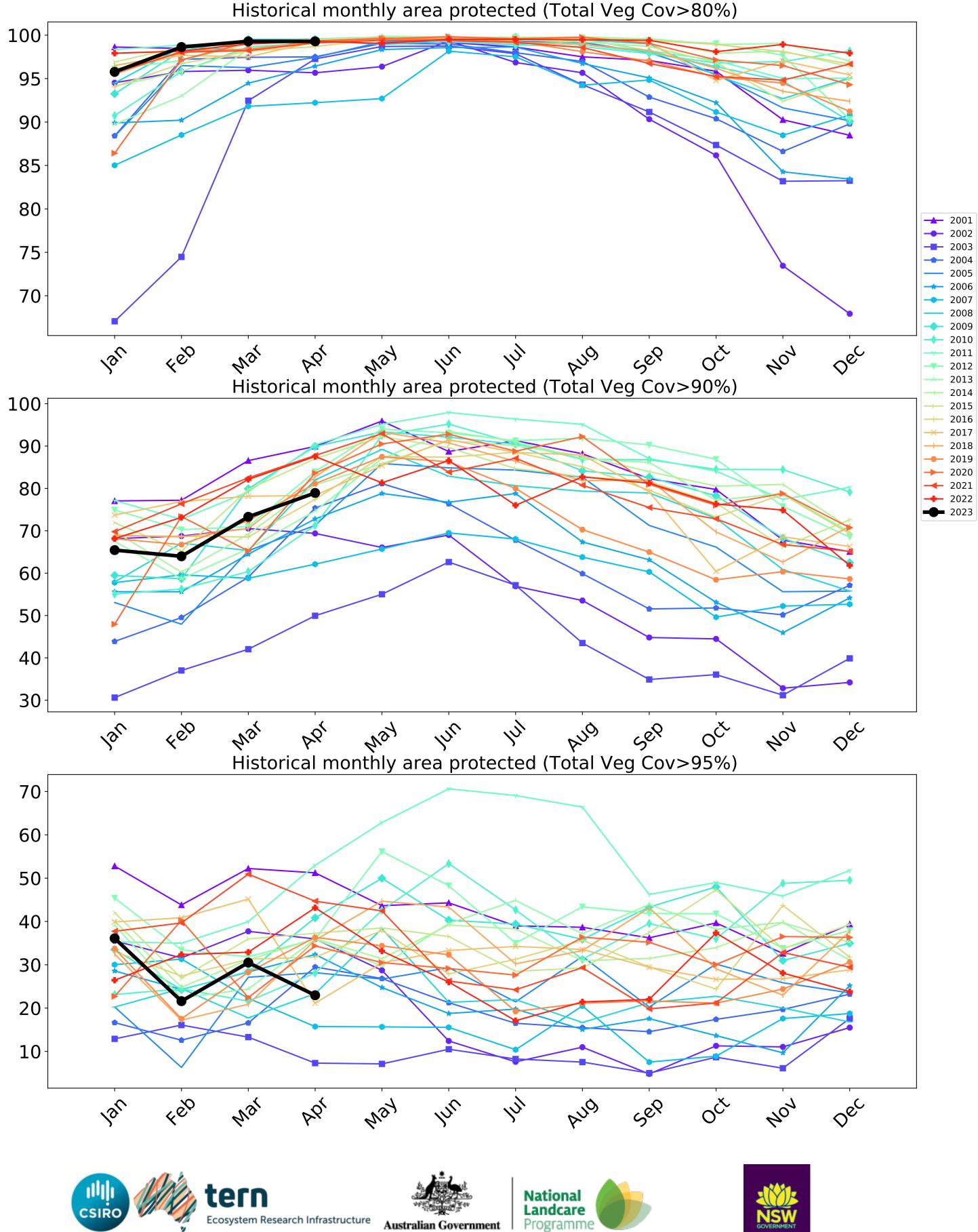
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



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

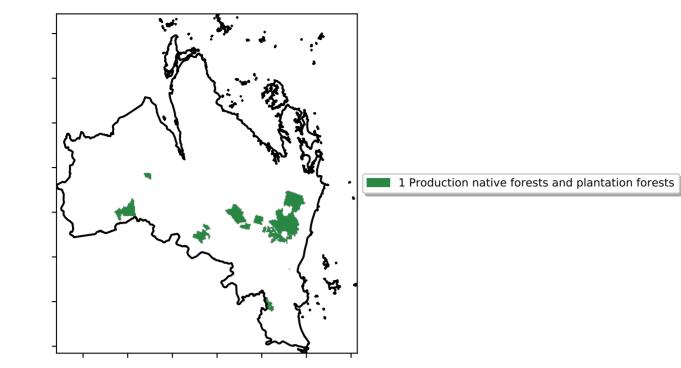




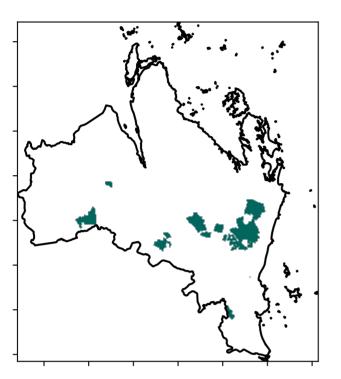


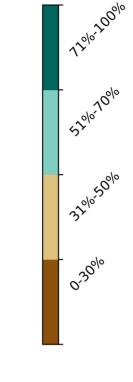
## **Production native forests and plantation forests**

Land use and forest cover

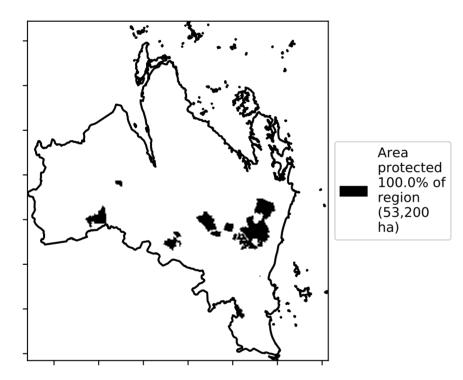


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

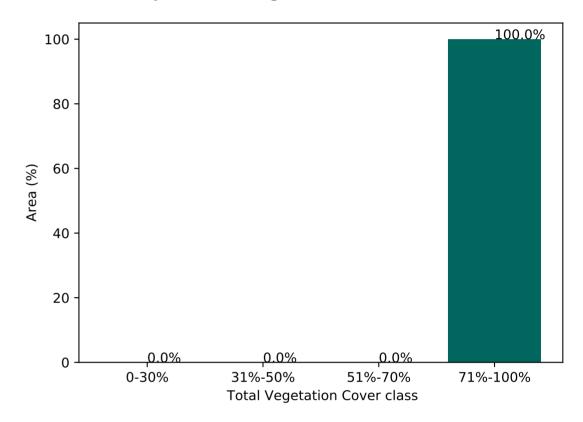




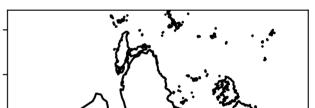
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

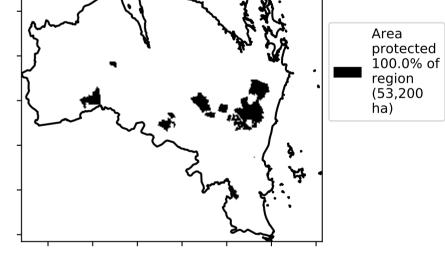


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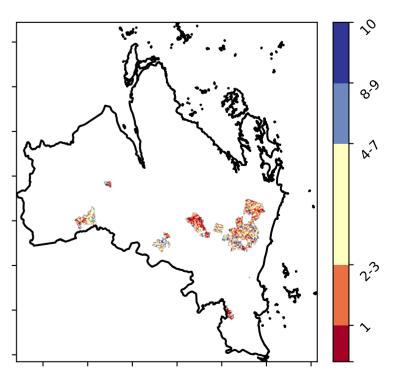
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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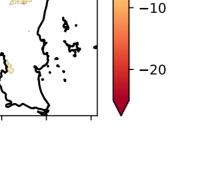


**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



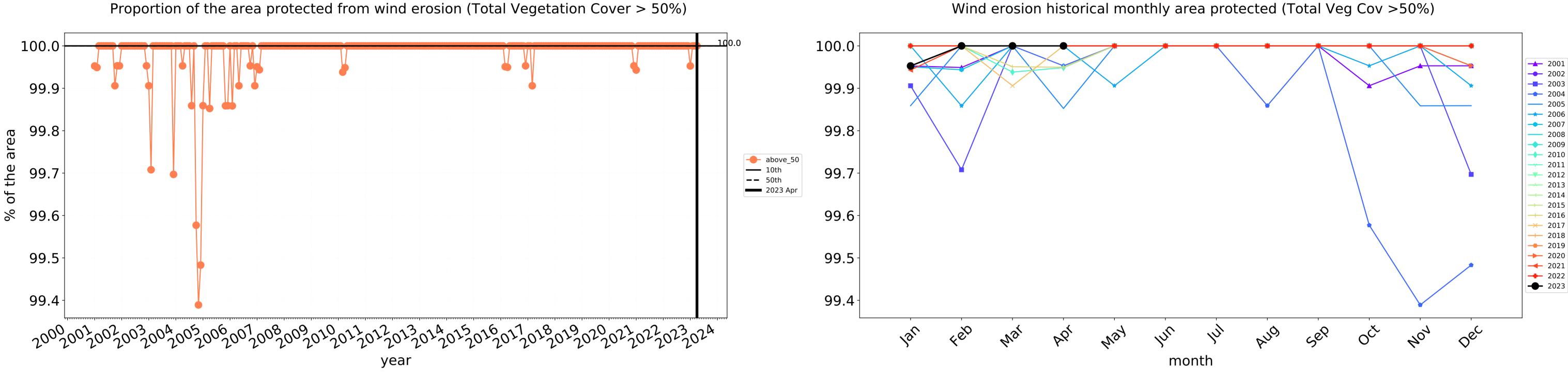


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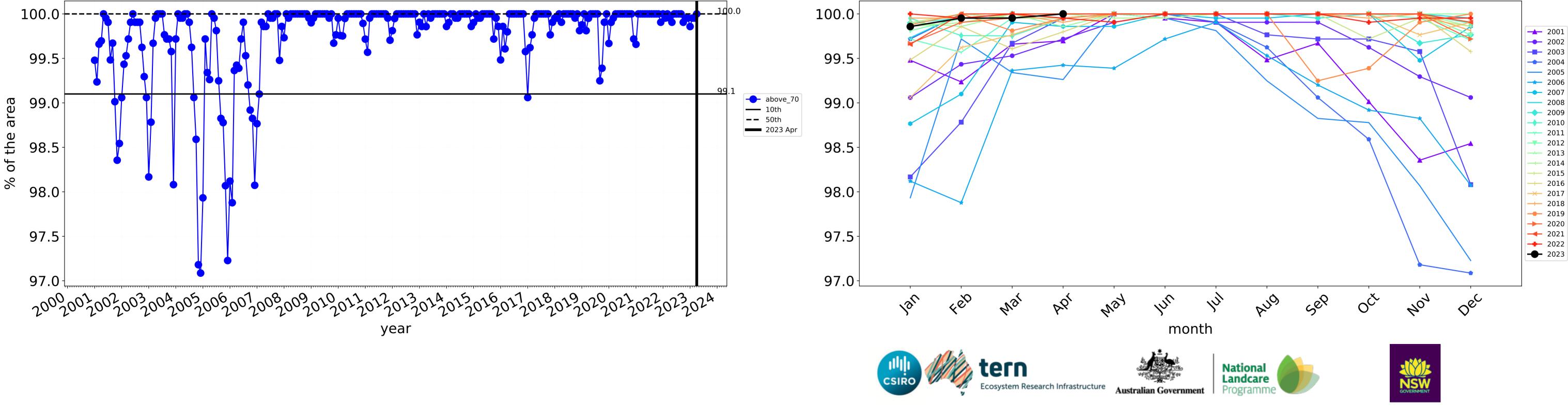


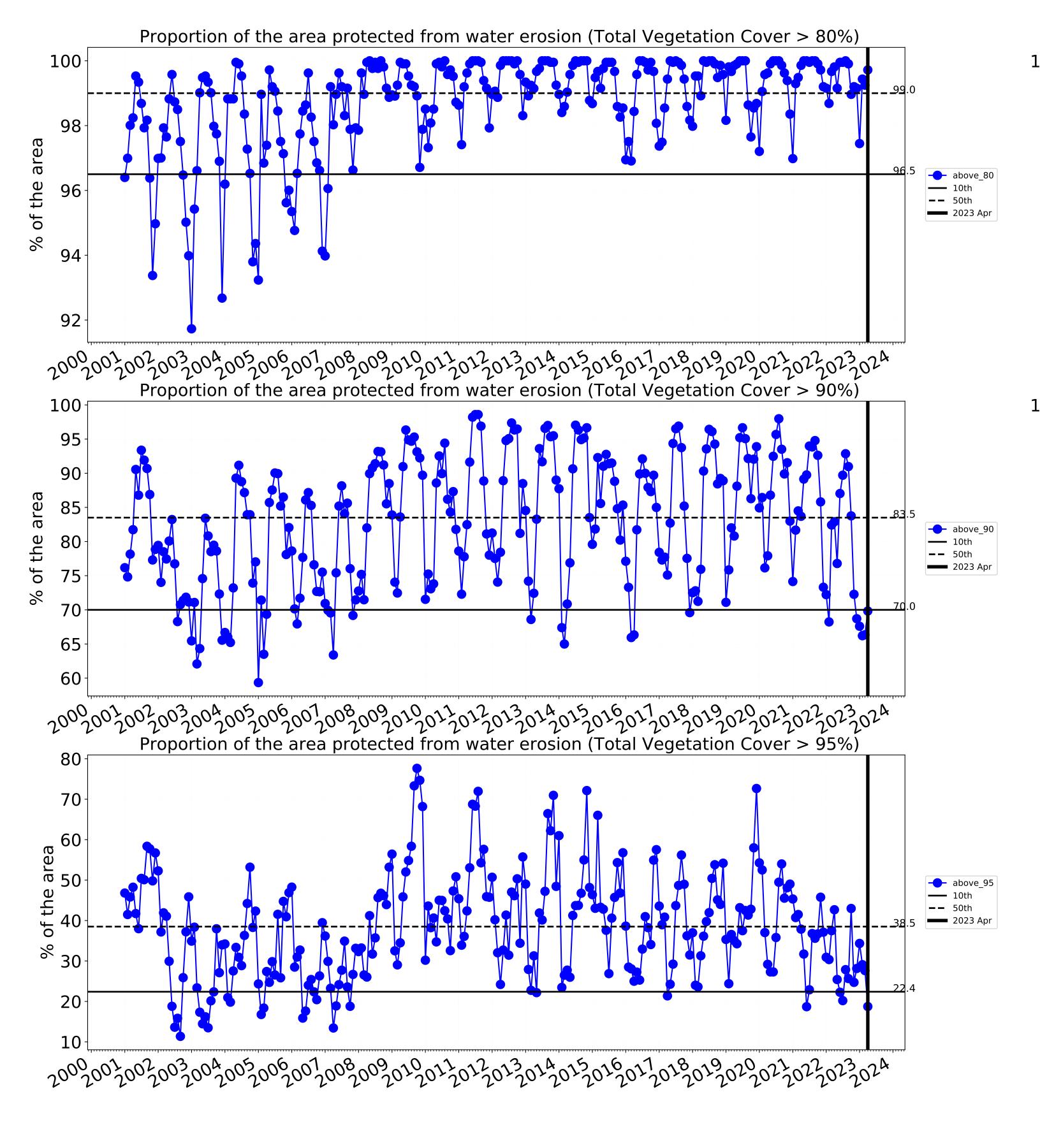
## **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**

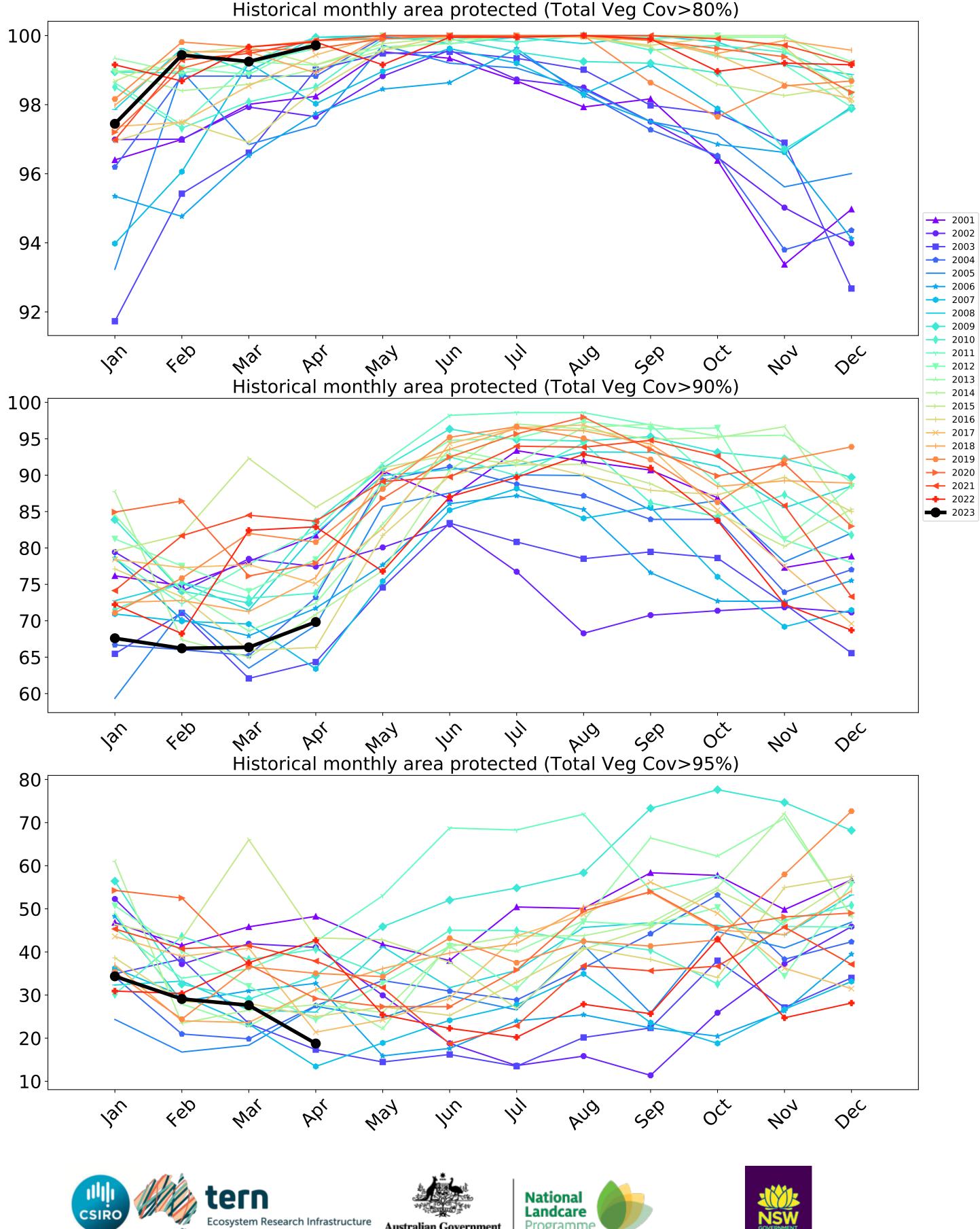


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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







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# Livingstone\_(S) (1,152,400 ha and no data 23,060 ha) Percentage area and hectares protected with TVC threshold 30,50,70,80,90 and 95%

Land use and forest cover Class	area(ha)	above_30	above_50	above_70	above_80	above_90	above_95
Entire region	1,152,400	100.0% 1,152,175	99.9% 1,151,475	99.3% 1,144,525	97.0% 1,117,550	76.8% 885,550	31.2% 359,300
Conservation and natural environments	332,825	100.0% 332,675	99.8% 332,300	98.8% 328,900	96.3% 320,525	79.9% 265,775	36.2% 120,625
Conservation and natural environments non forest	11,225	99.6% 11,175	98.2% 11,025	94.9% 10,650	87.1% 9,775	65.0% 7,300	37.2% 4,175
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	211,650	100.0% 211,575	99.9% 211,475	99.4% 210,475	98.6% 208,625	87.2% 184,550	43.9% 92,900
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	109,950	100.0% 109,925	99.9% 109,800	98.0% 107,775	92.9% 102,125	67.2% 73,925	21.4% 23,550
Agriculture	679,025	100.0% 679,025	100.0% 678,900	99.8% 677,850	98.8% 671,200	80.1% 543,750	31.6% 214,425
Grazing	673,650	100.0% 673,650	100.0% 673,525	99.9% 672,725	99.0% 666,900	80.5% 542,075	31.8% 213,975
Grazing non forest	412,150	100.0% 412,150	100.0% 412,125	99.8% 411,425	98.6% 406,350	80.0% 329,650	38.3% 157,775
Grazing Woodland forest	219,375	100.0% 219,375	100.0% 219,350	100.0% 219,275	99.7% 218,725	81.7% 179,175	21.2% 46,525
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	42,125	100.0% 42,125	99.8% 42,050	99.8% 42,025	99.3% 41,825	78.9% 33,250	23.0% 9,675
Production native forests and plantation forests	53,200	100.0% 53,200	100.0% 53,200	100.0% 53,200	99.7% 53,050	69.8% 37,150	18.8% 9,975

