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

# **Date: November 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:

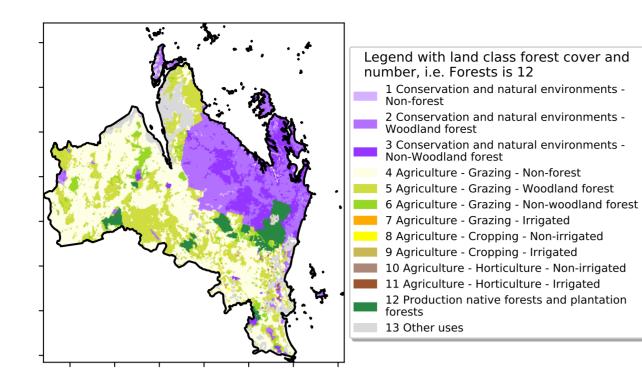
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# **Vegetation Cover Nov 2024**

#### Land use and forest cover

#### Proportion of each land class in area



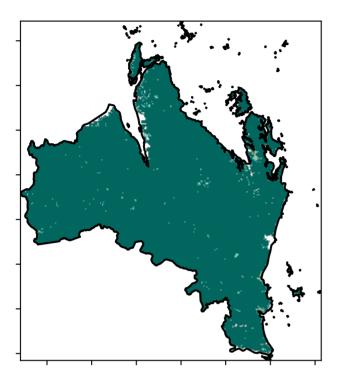
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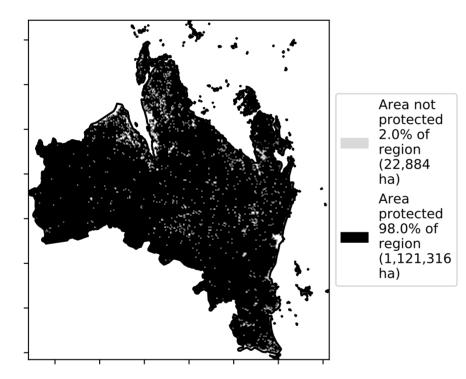
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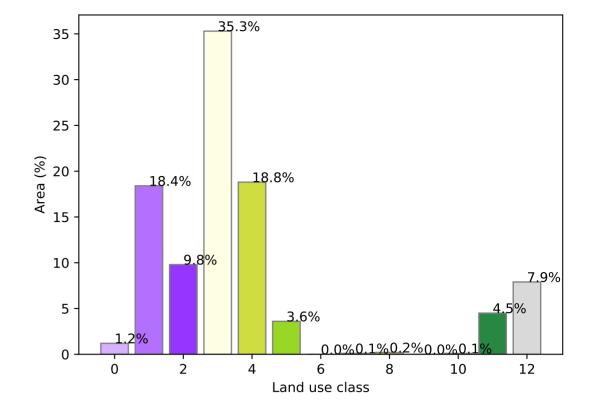
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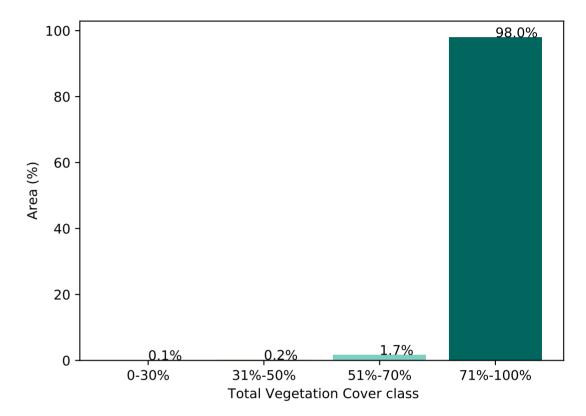


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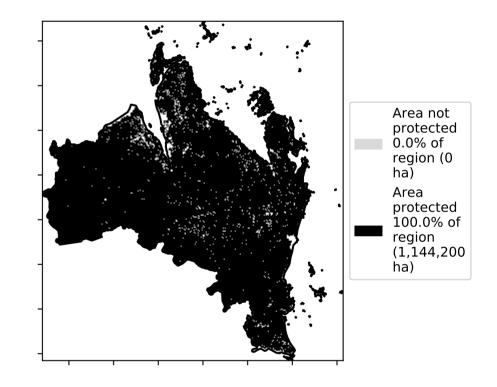




#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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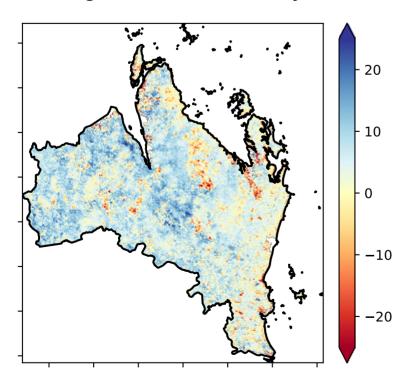
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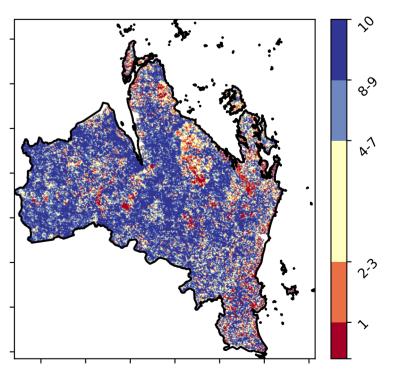
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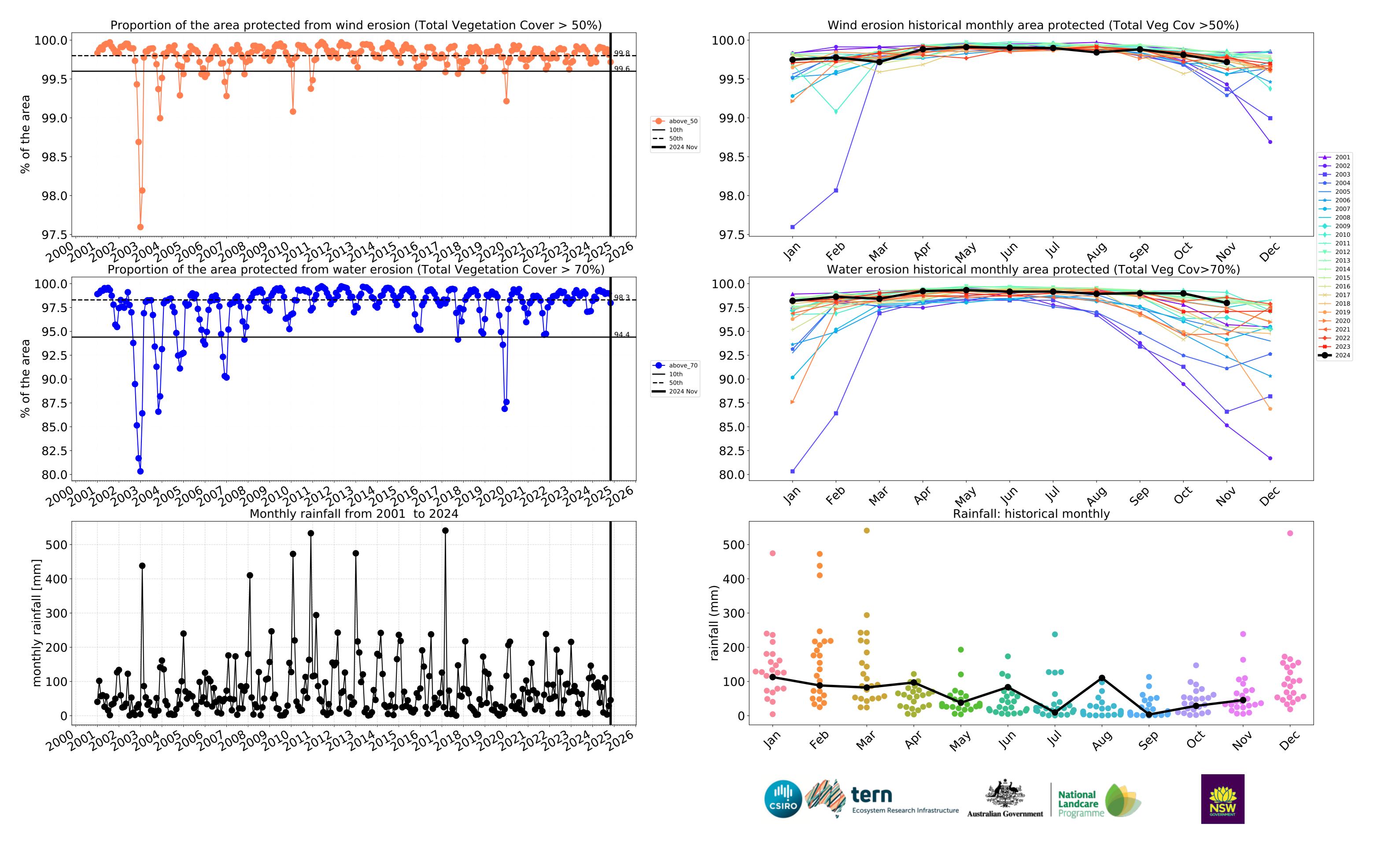


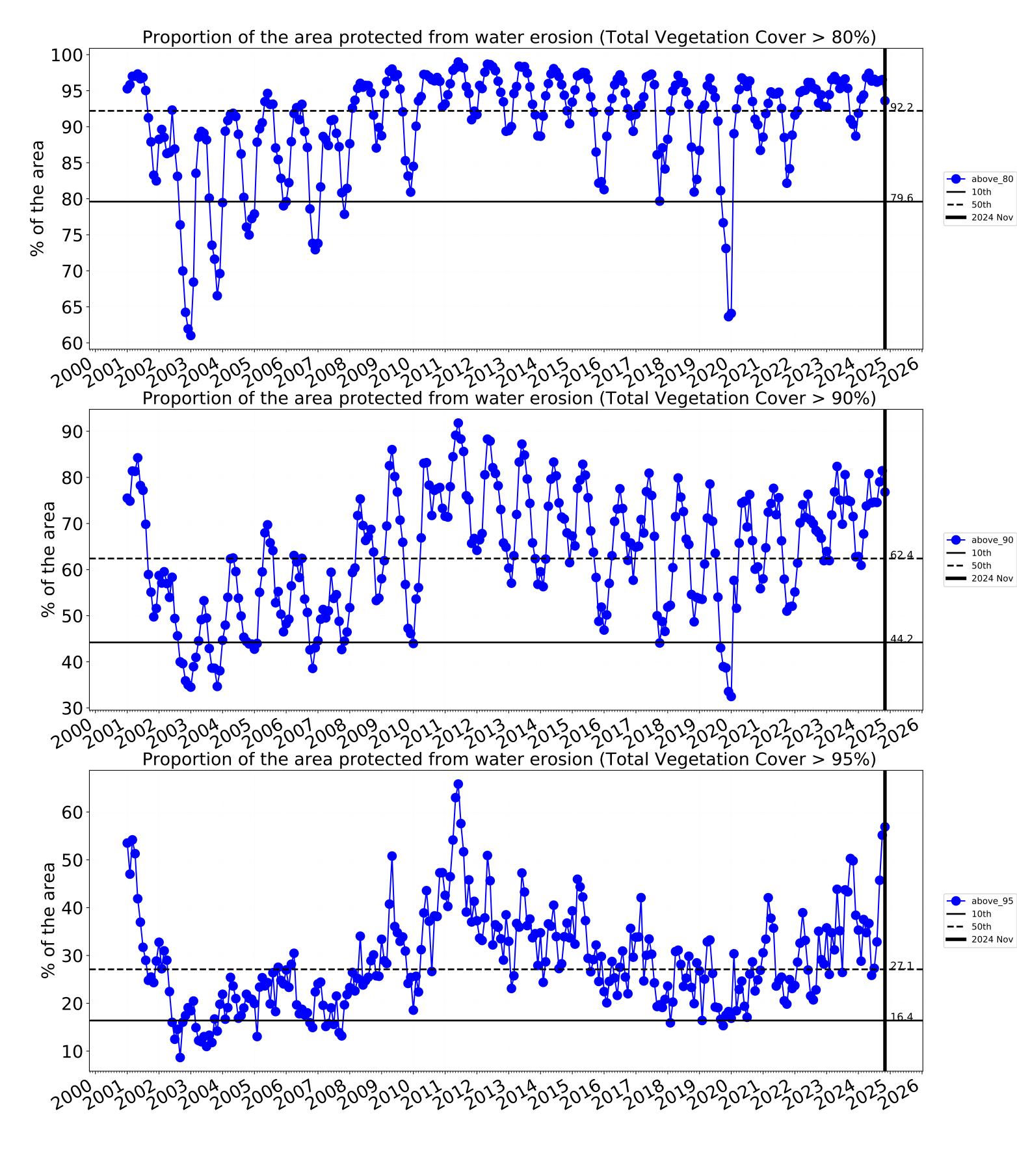
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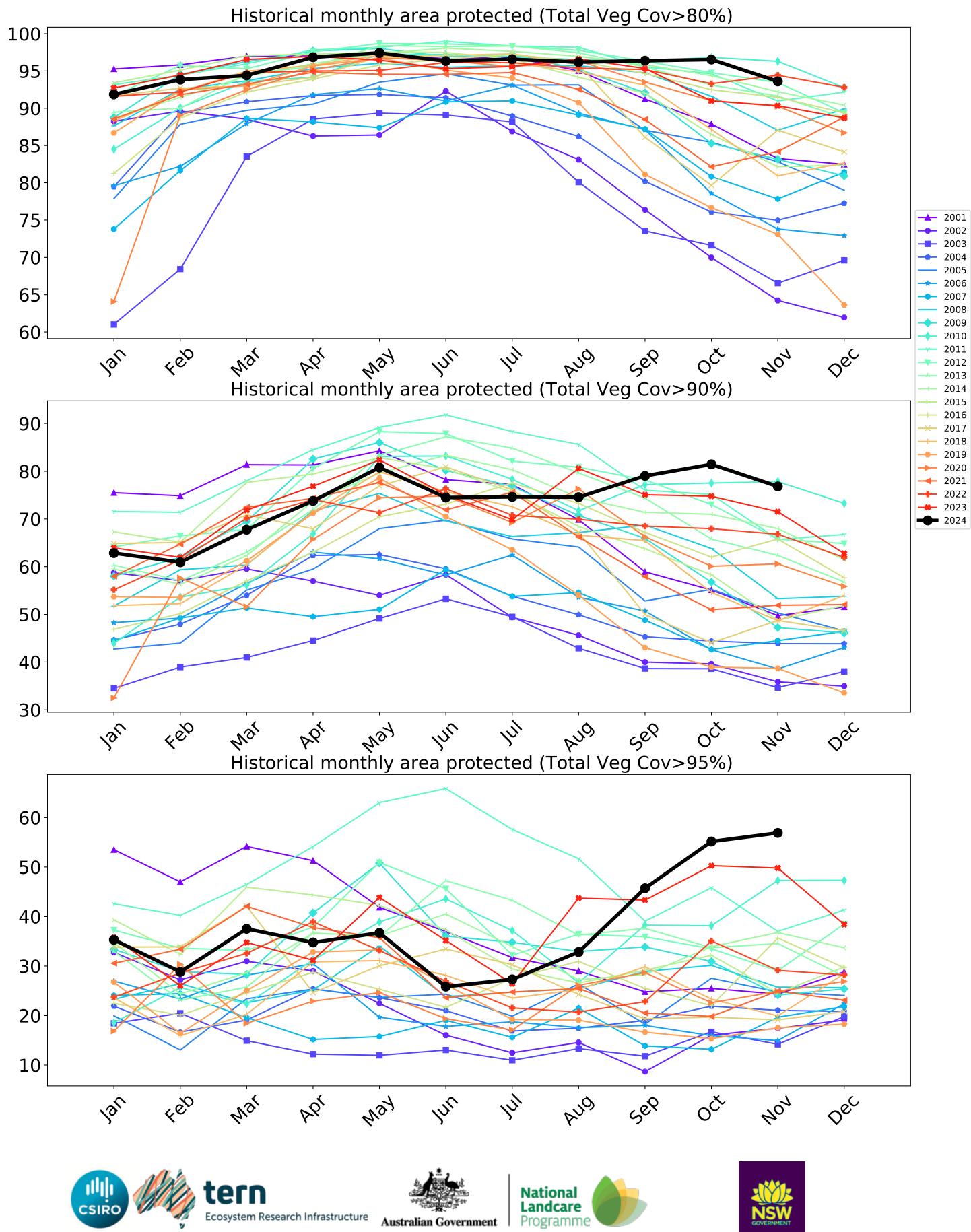








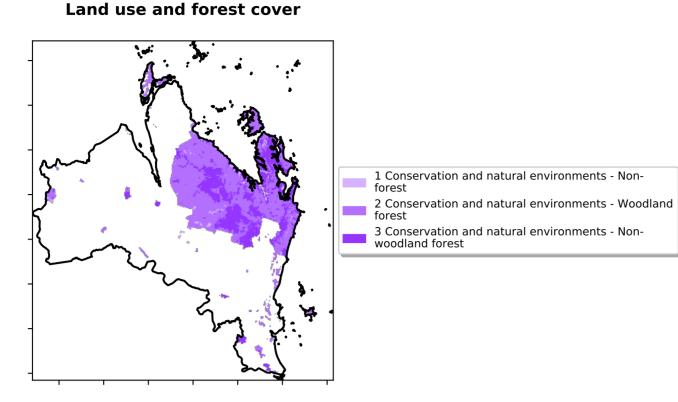




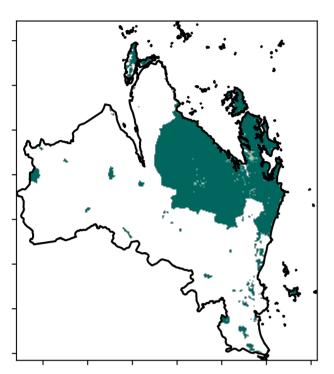


### **Conservation and natural environments**

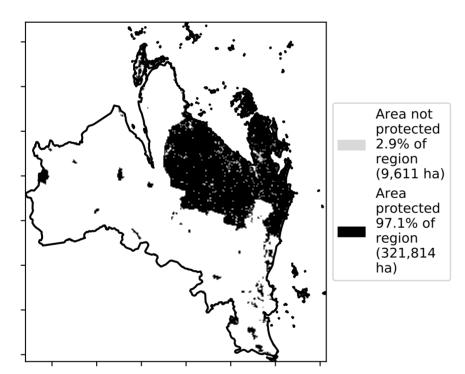
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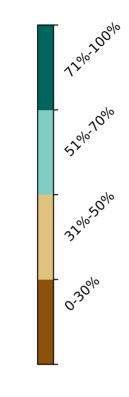
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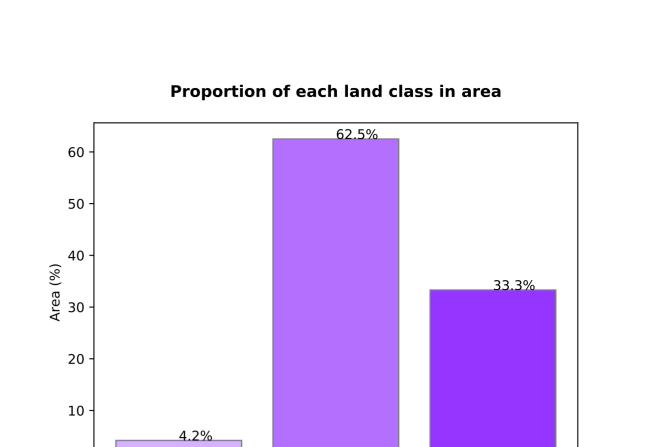
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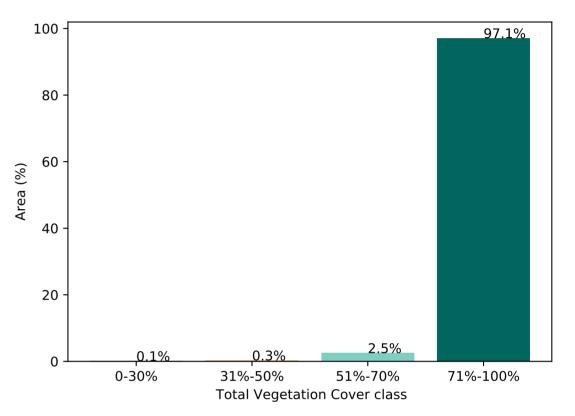


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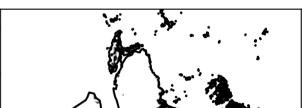
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#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



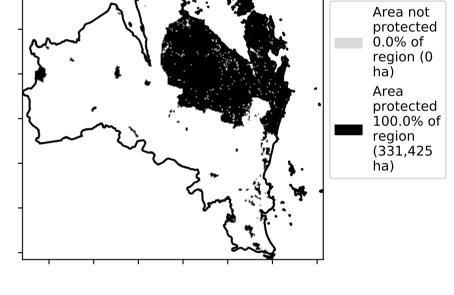
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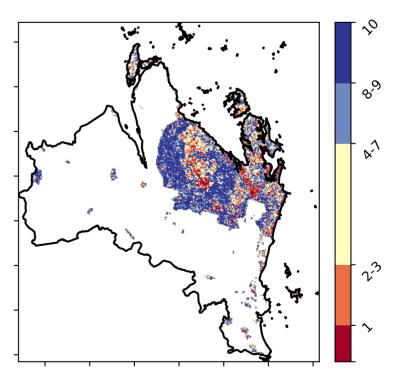


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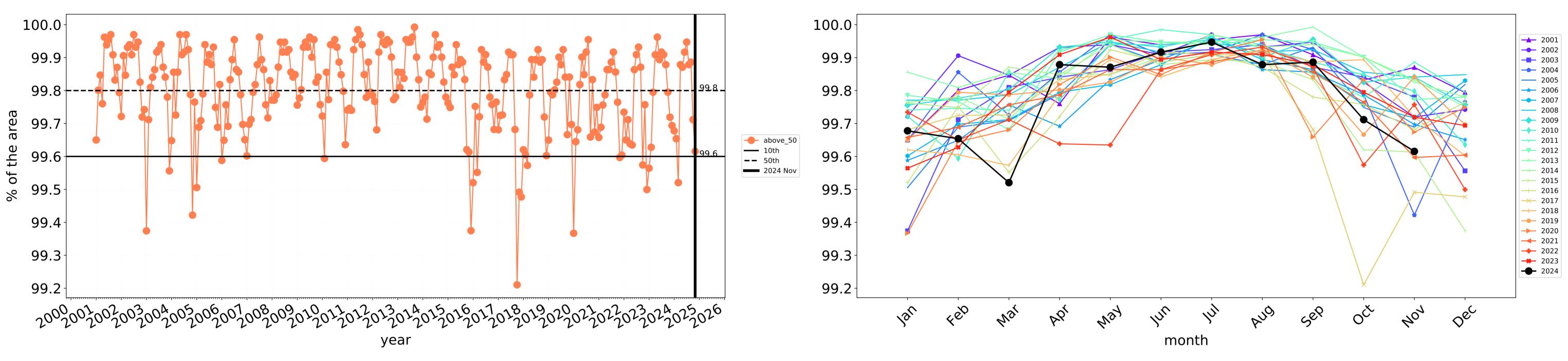








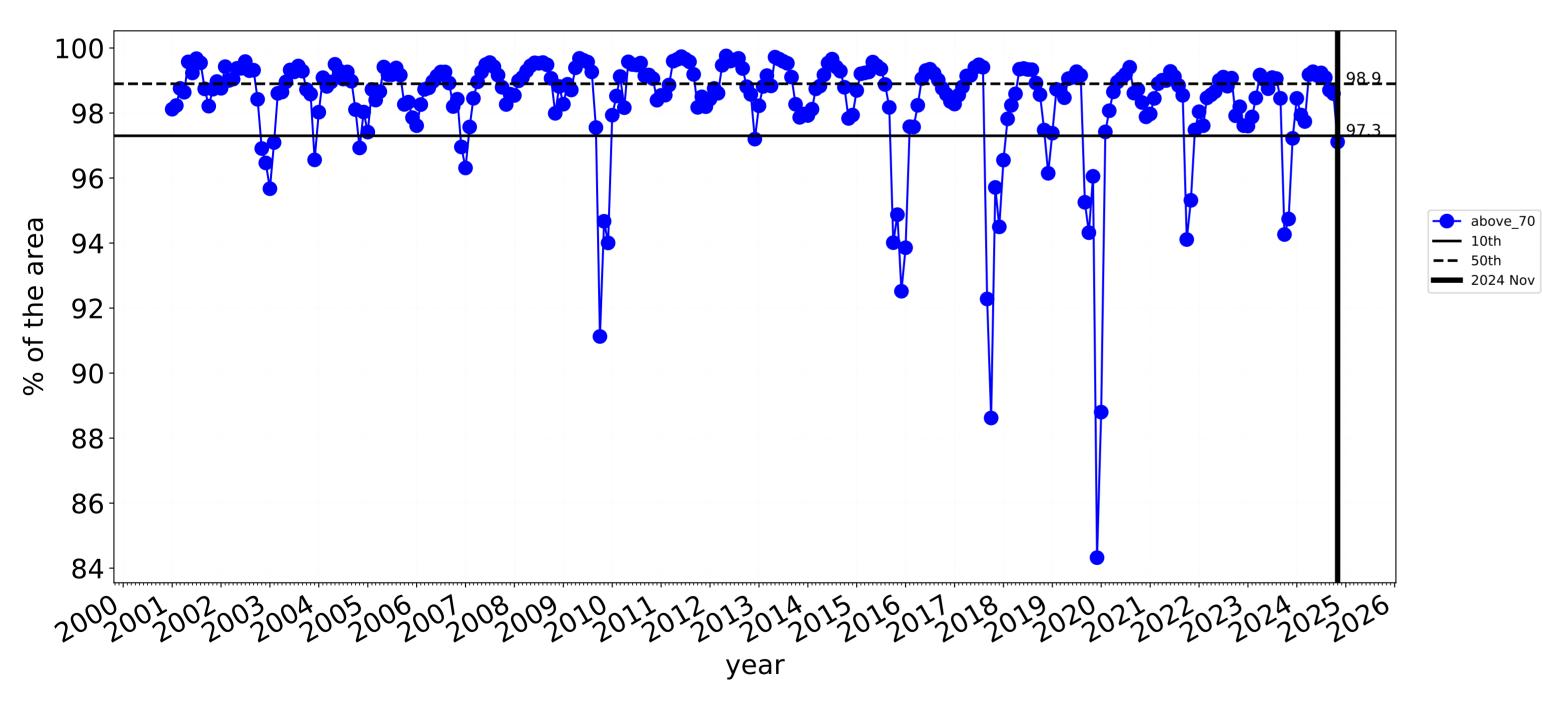
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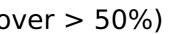


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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

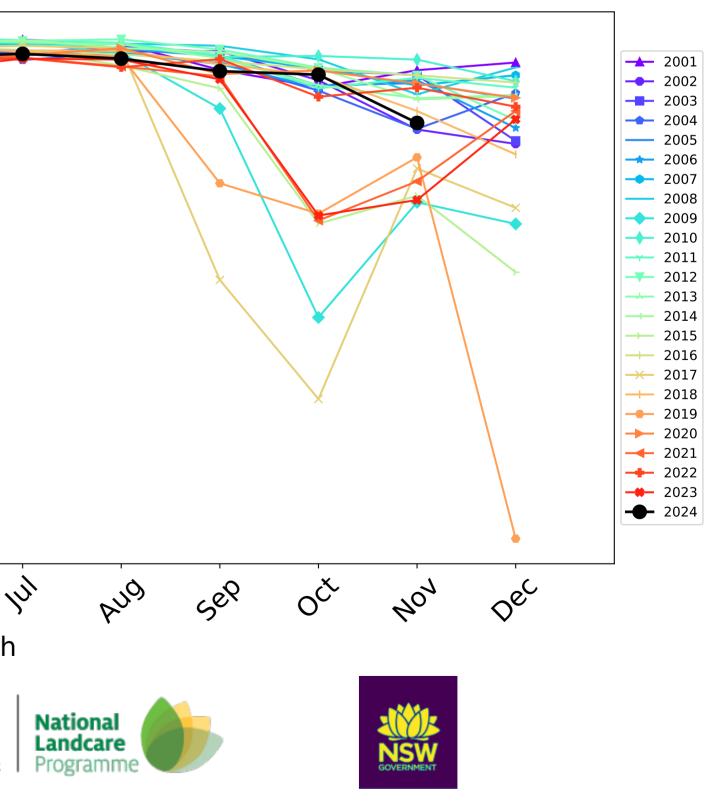


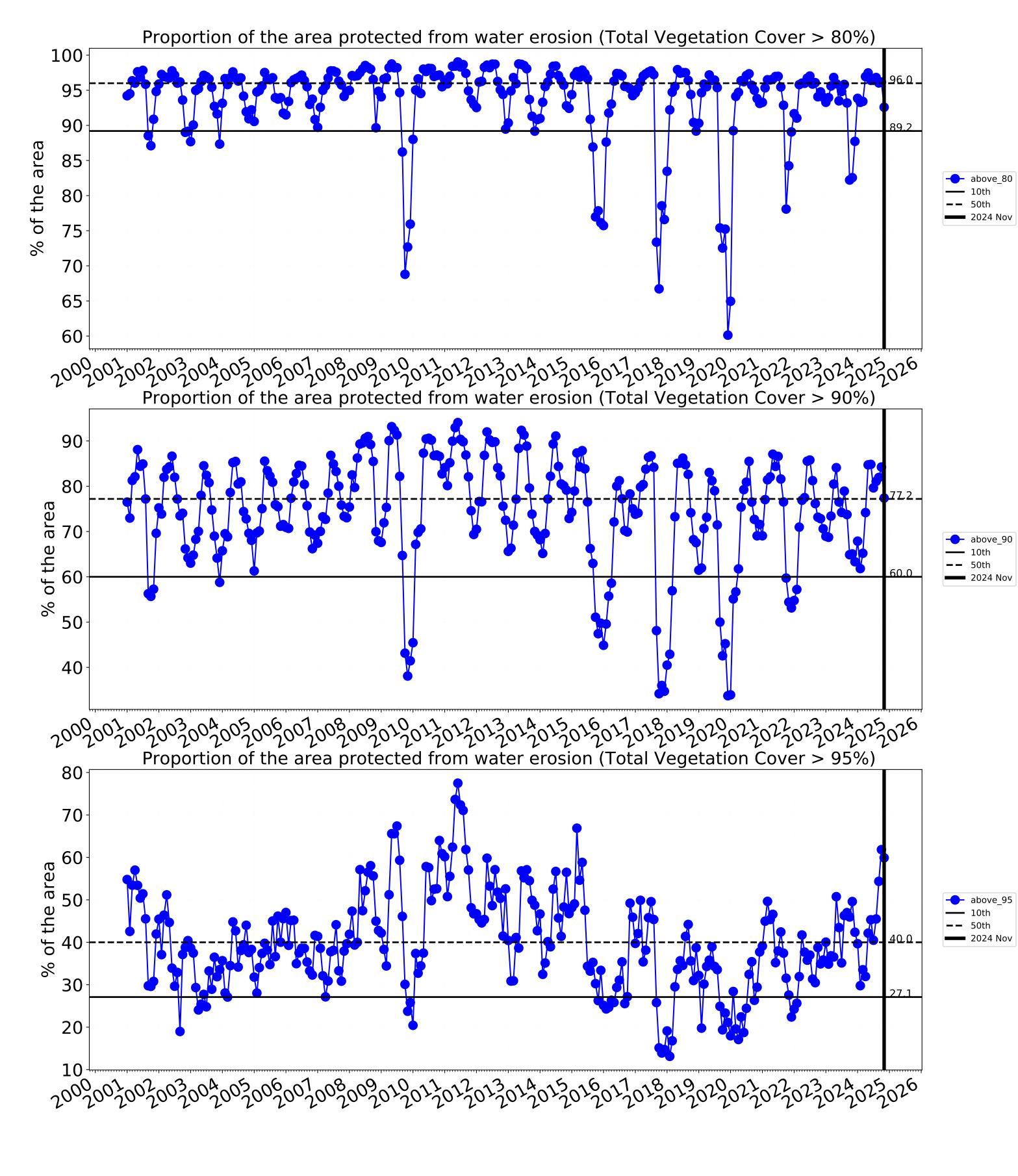


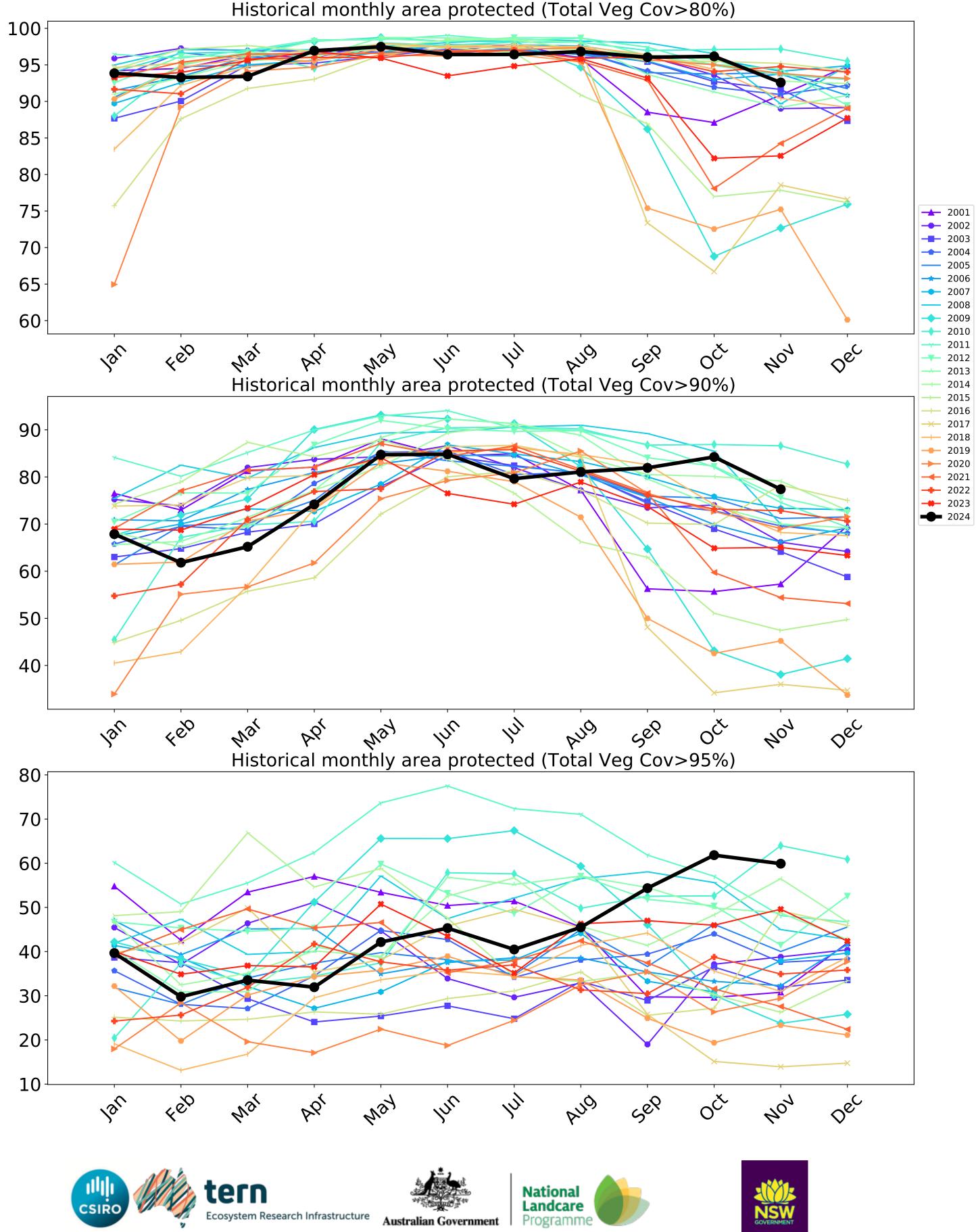
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



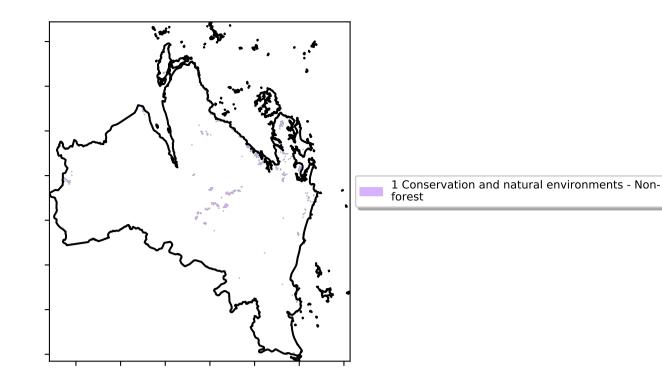




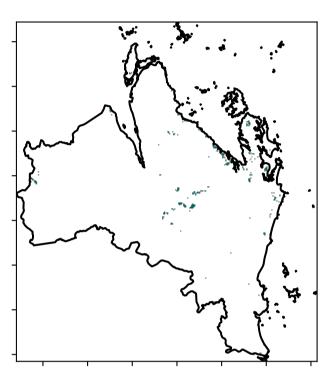


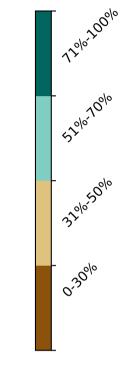
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Land use and forest cover

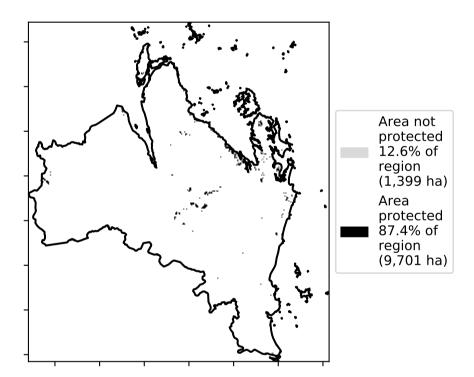


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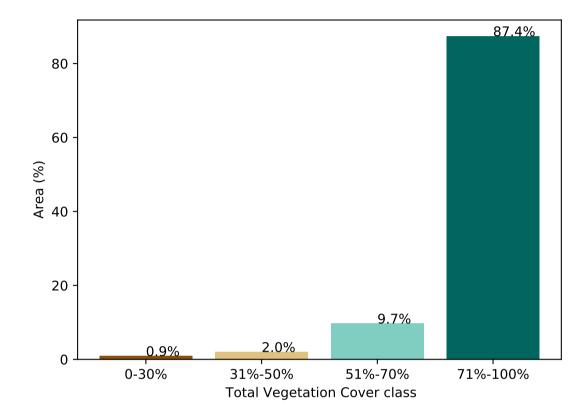




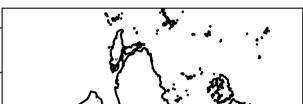
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

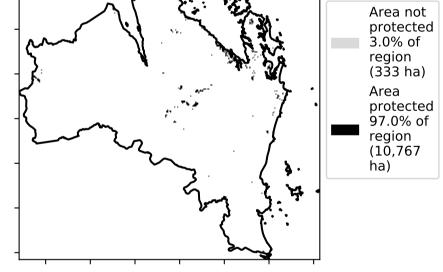


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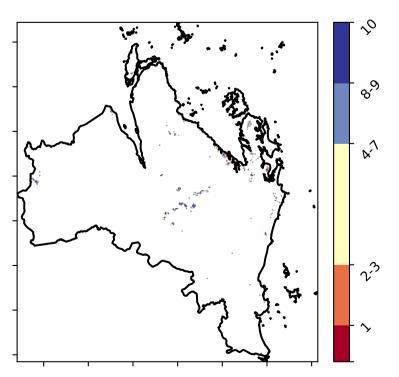
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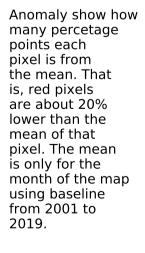
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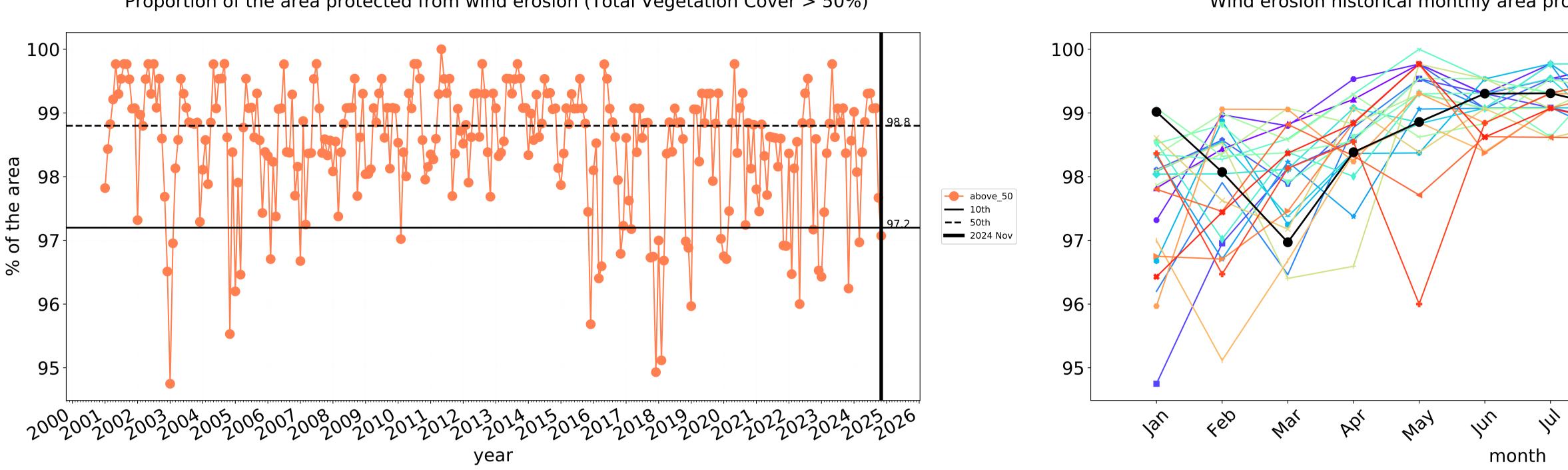


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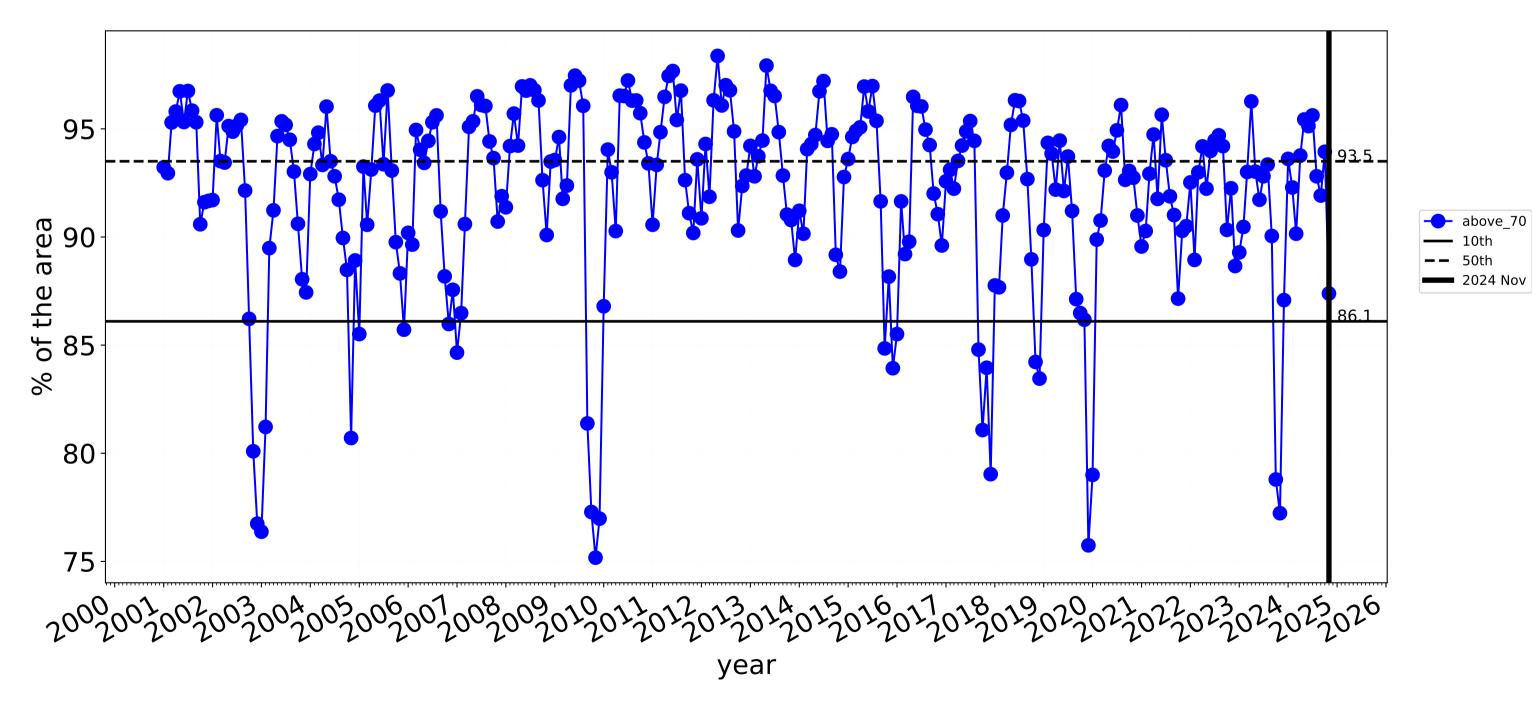






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

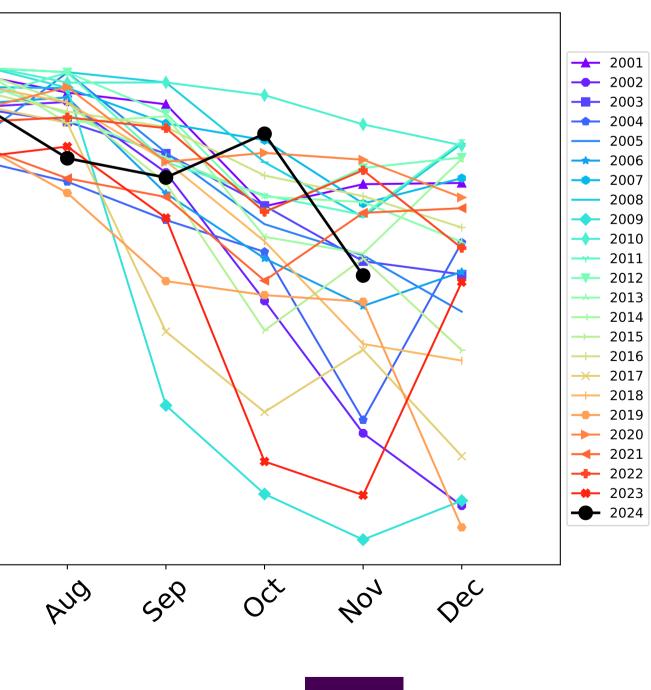


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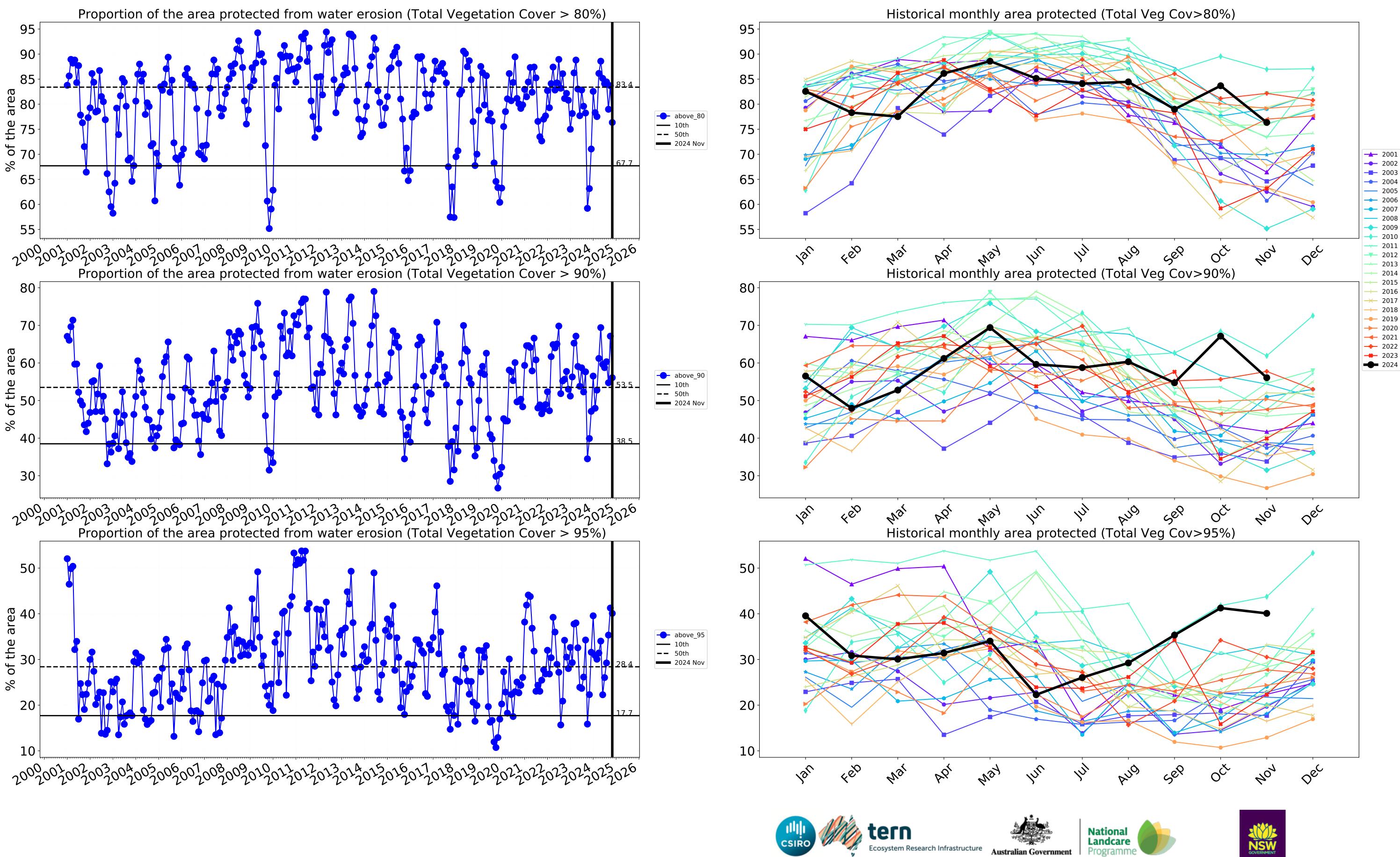
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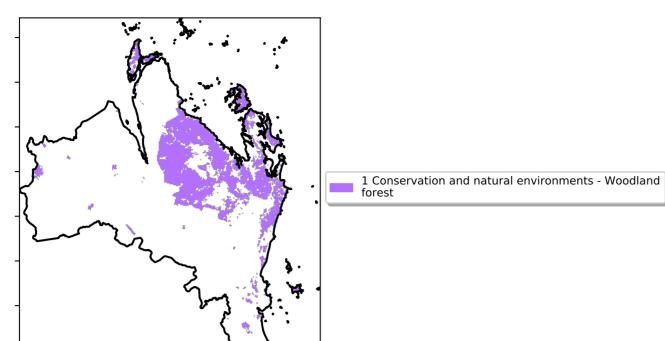




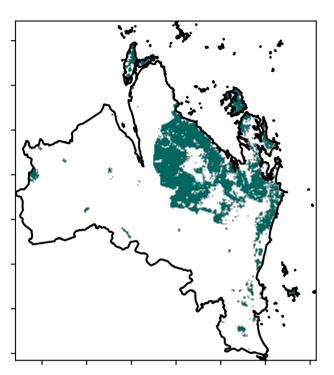
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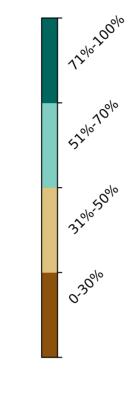
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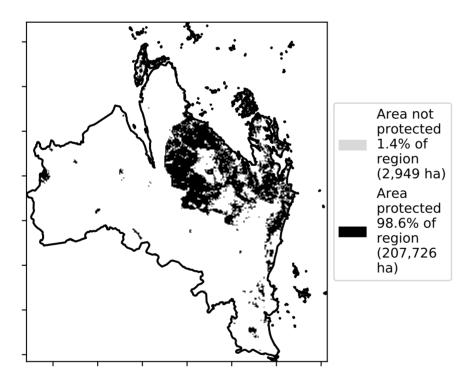


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**





% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



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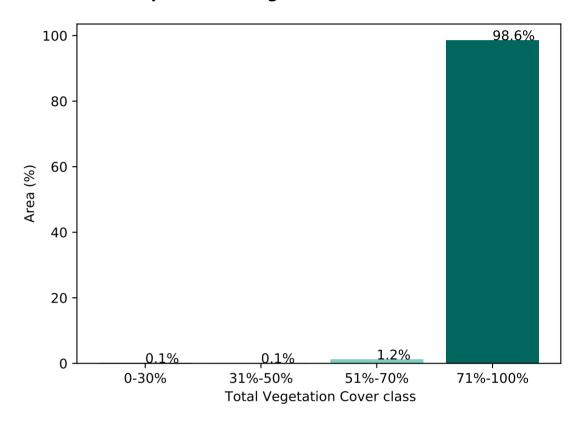
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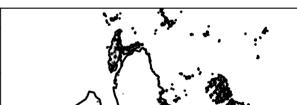
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



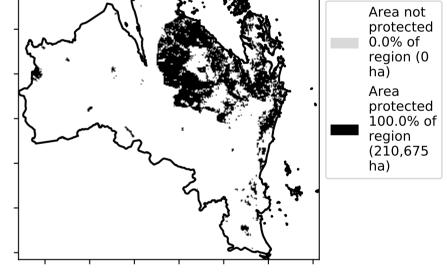
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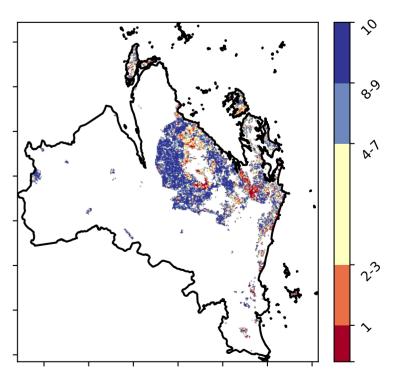


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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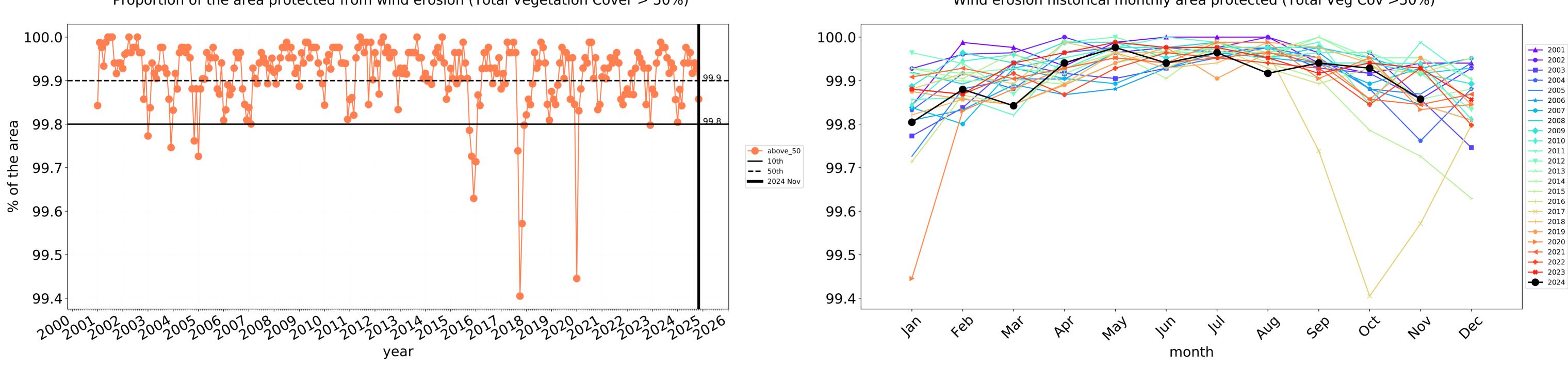
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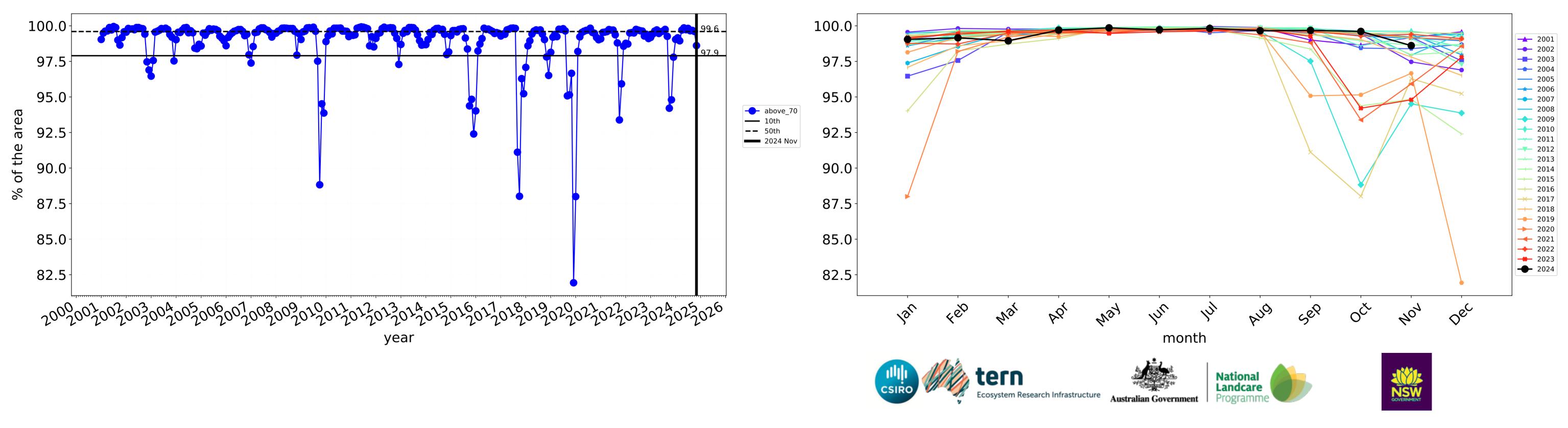


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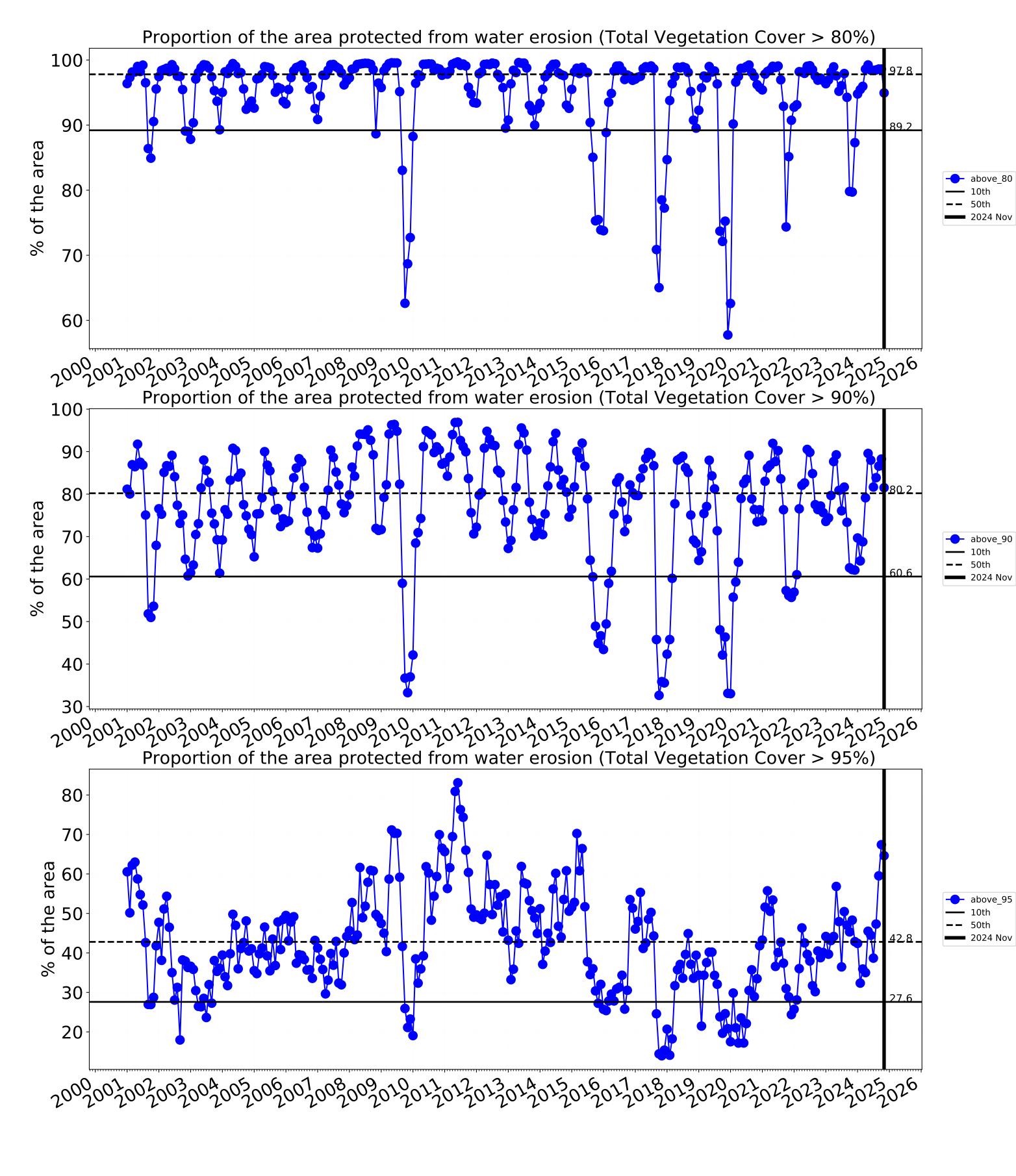


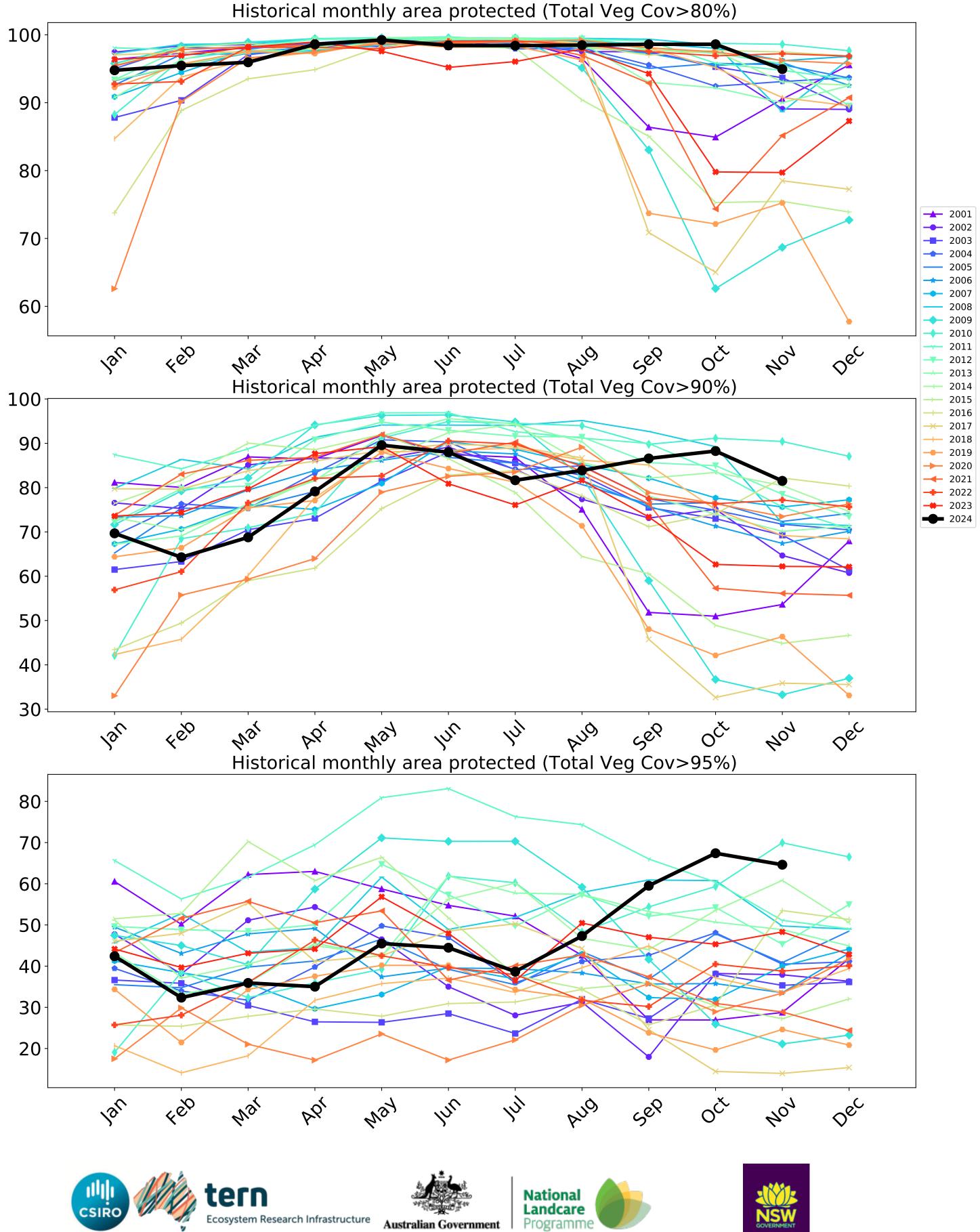
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



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

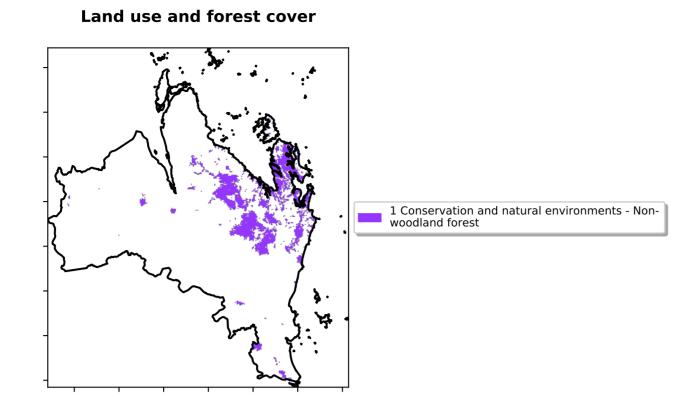






### **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

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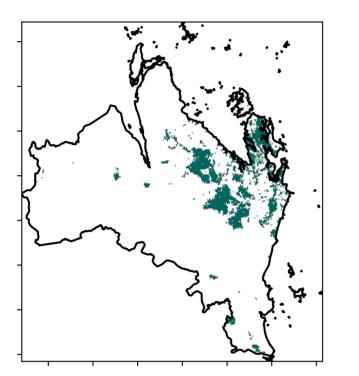
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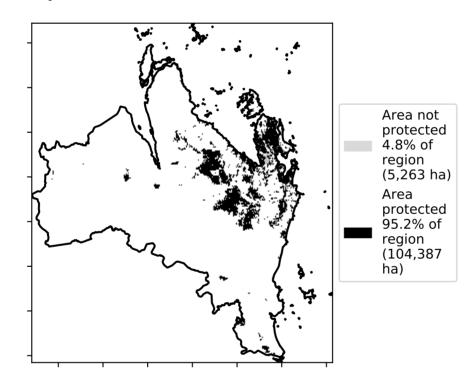
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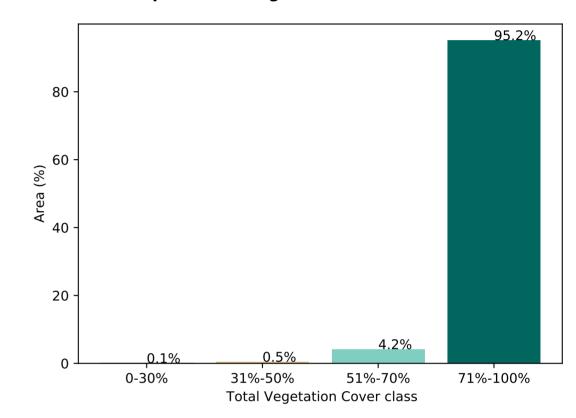
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



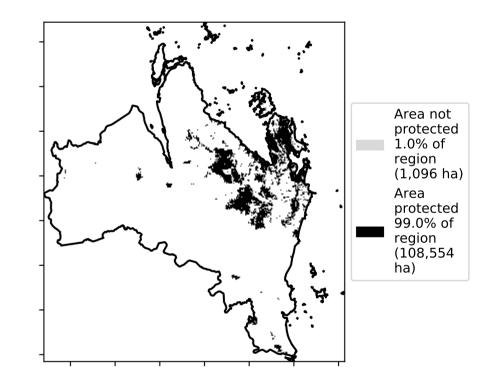
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

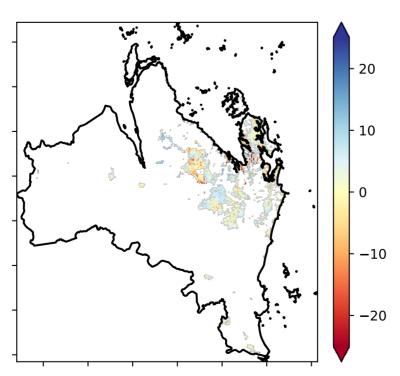


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



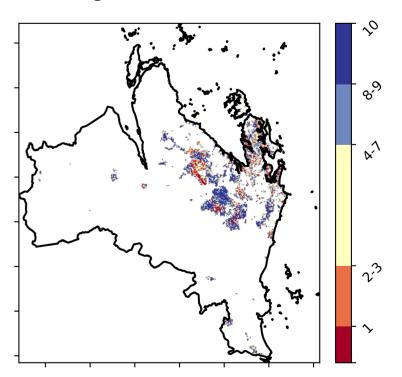
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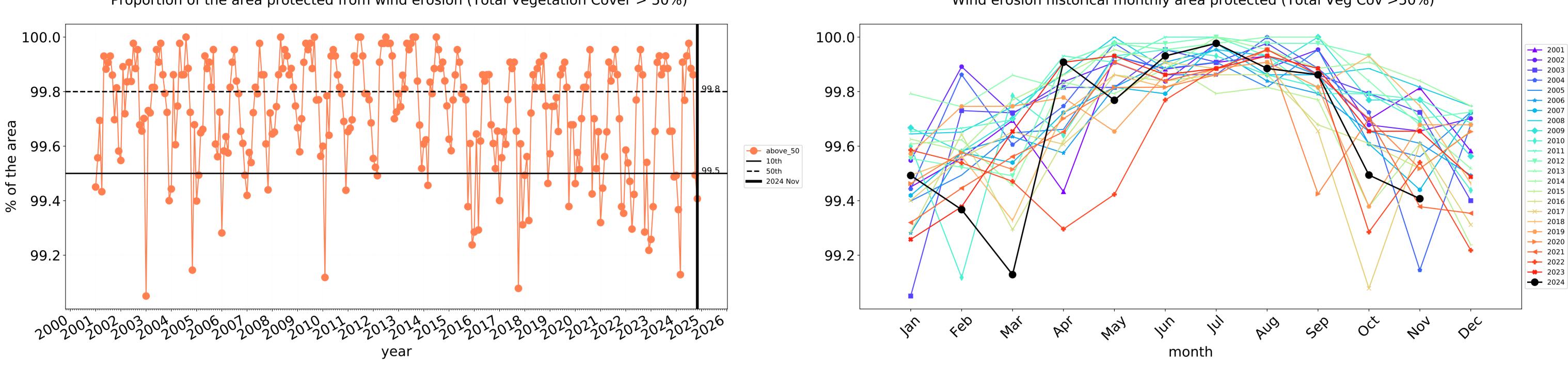
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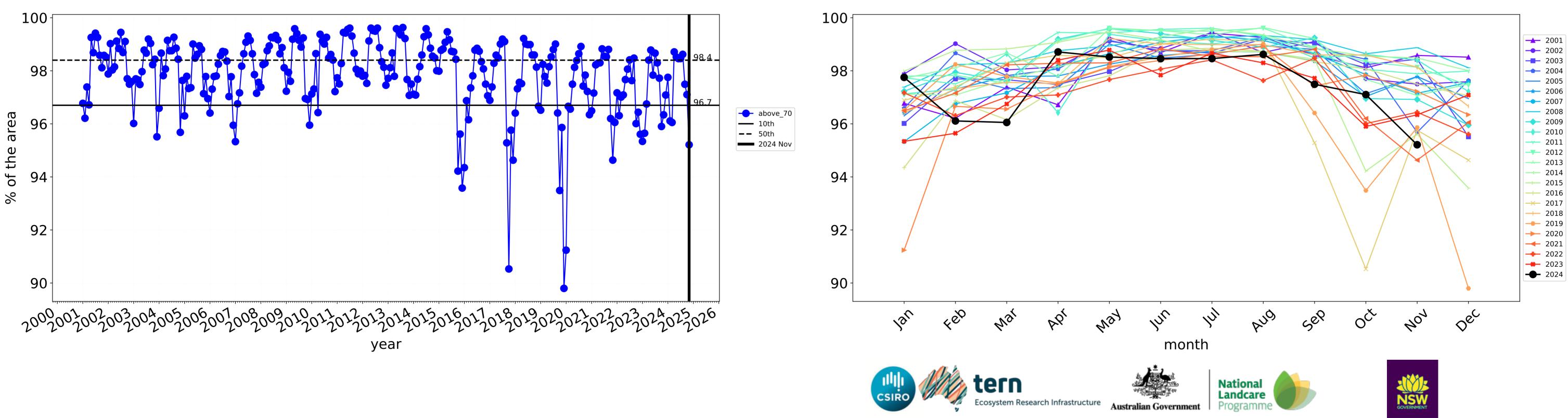


## **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries**



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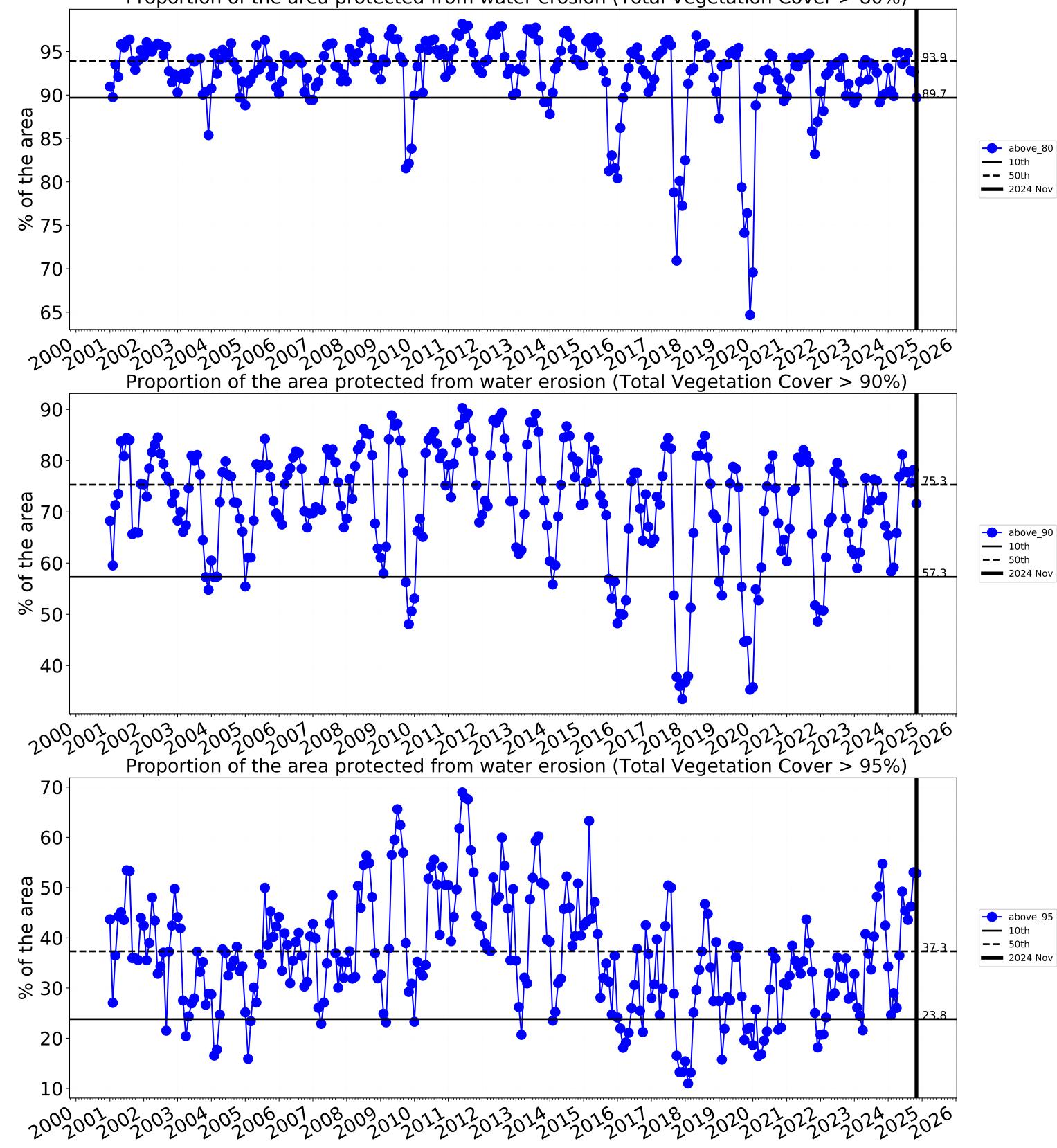




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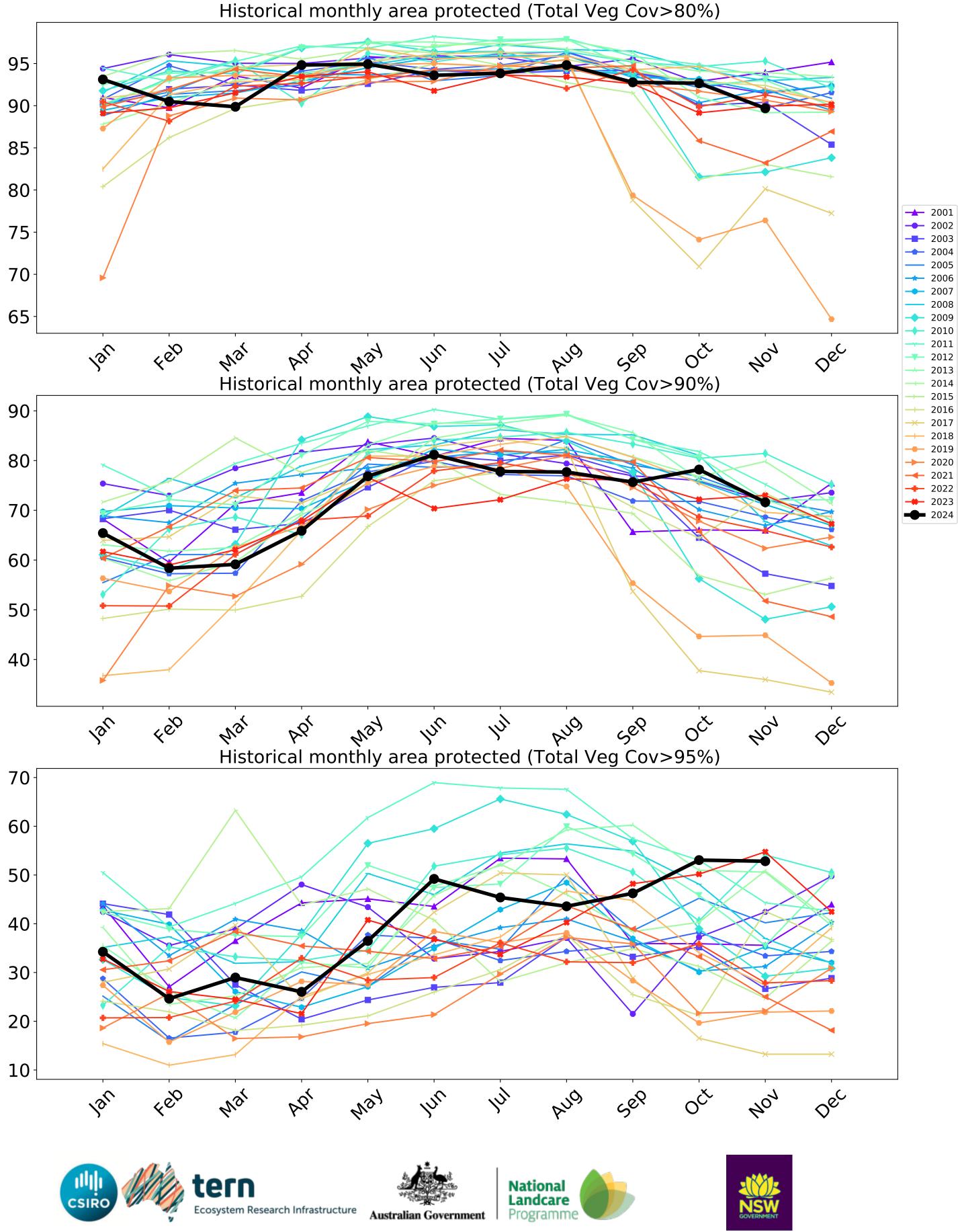
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

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





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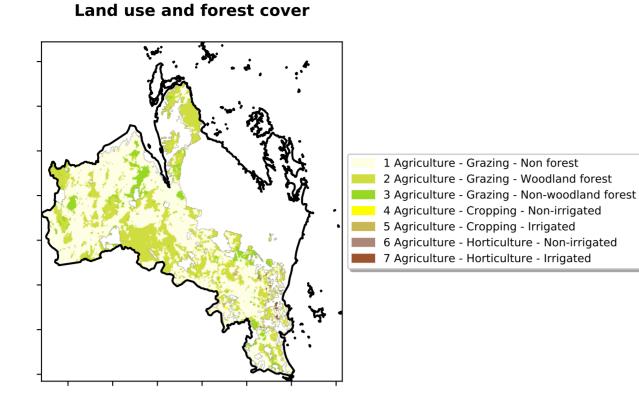
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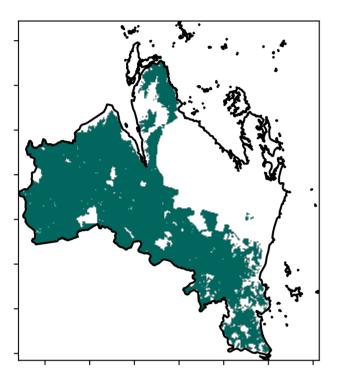
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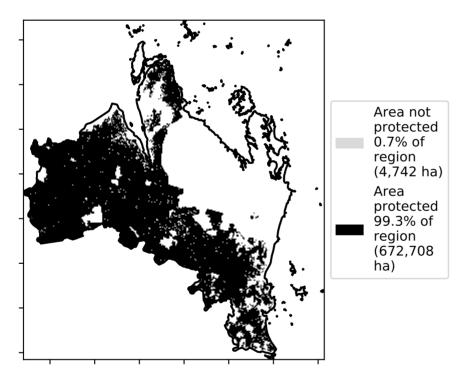
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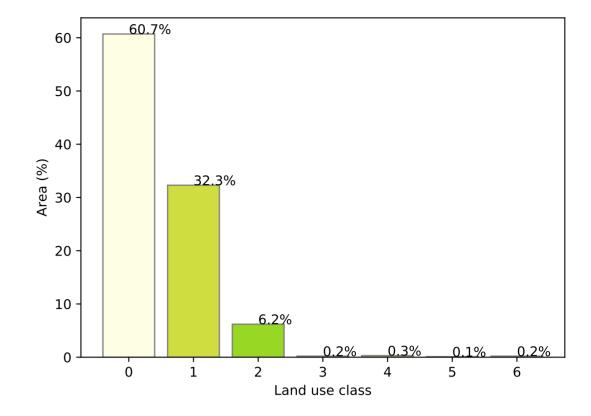


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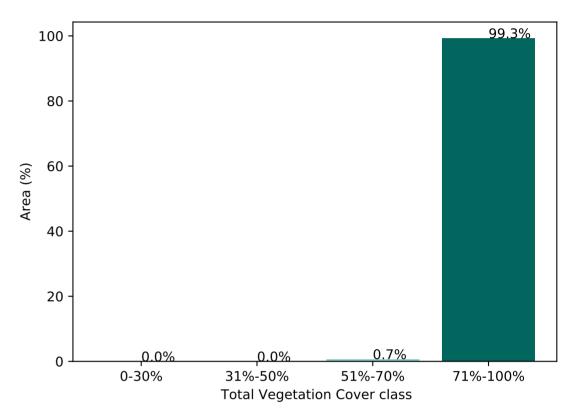




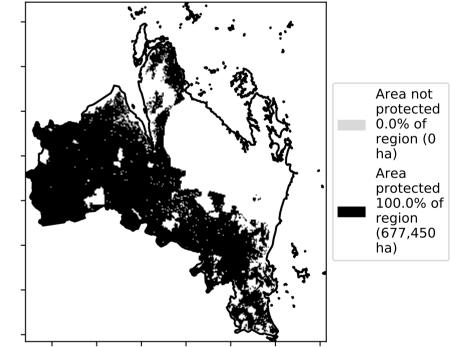


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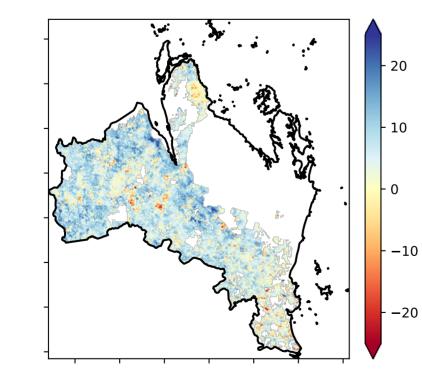


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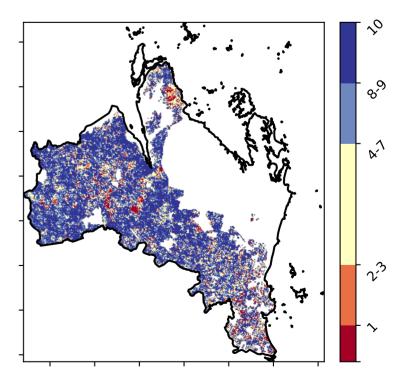


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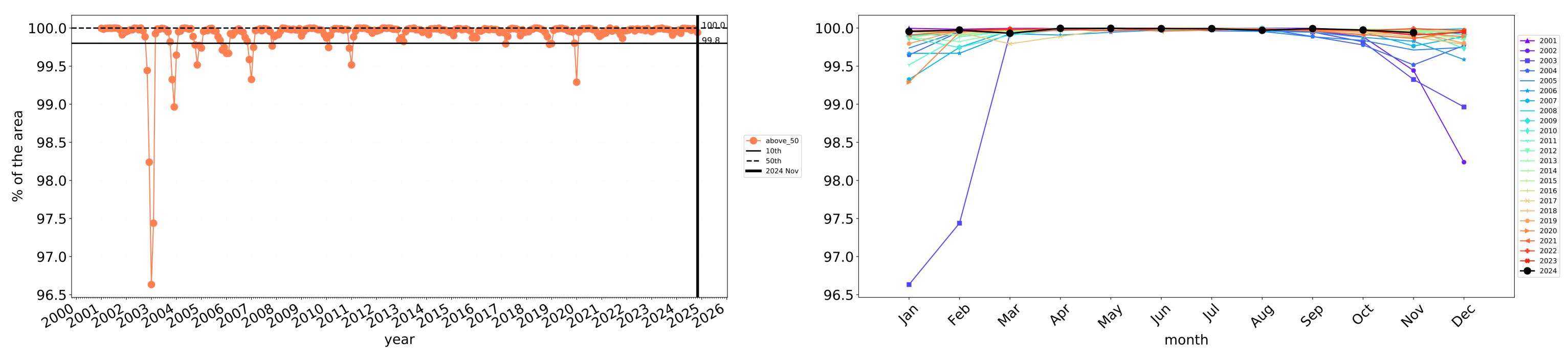
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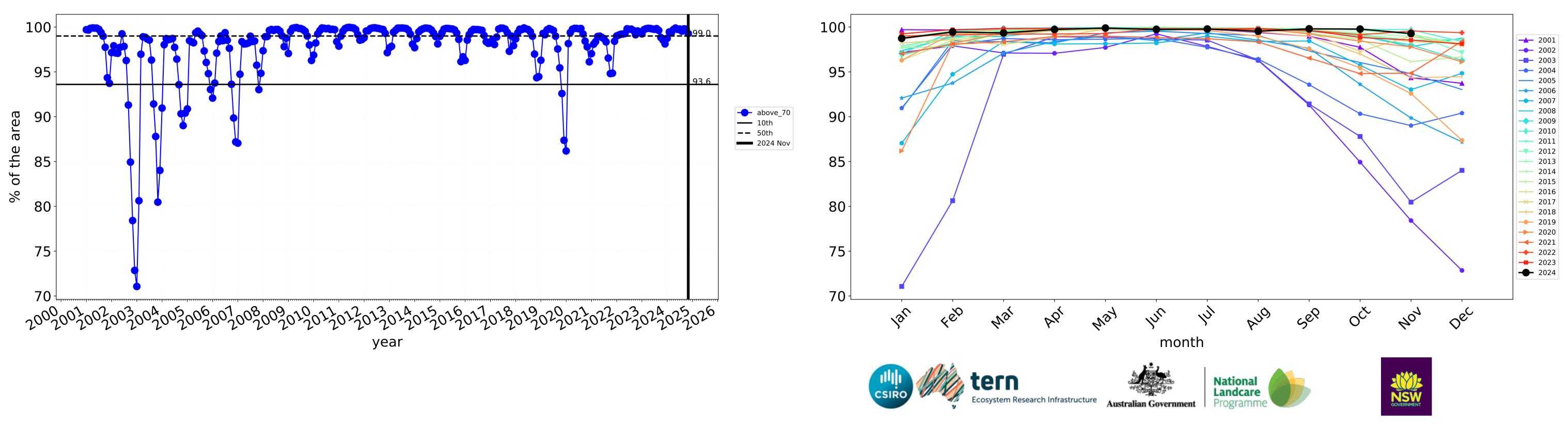
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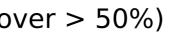


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

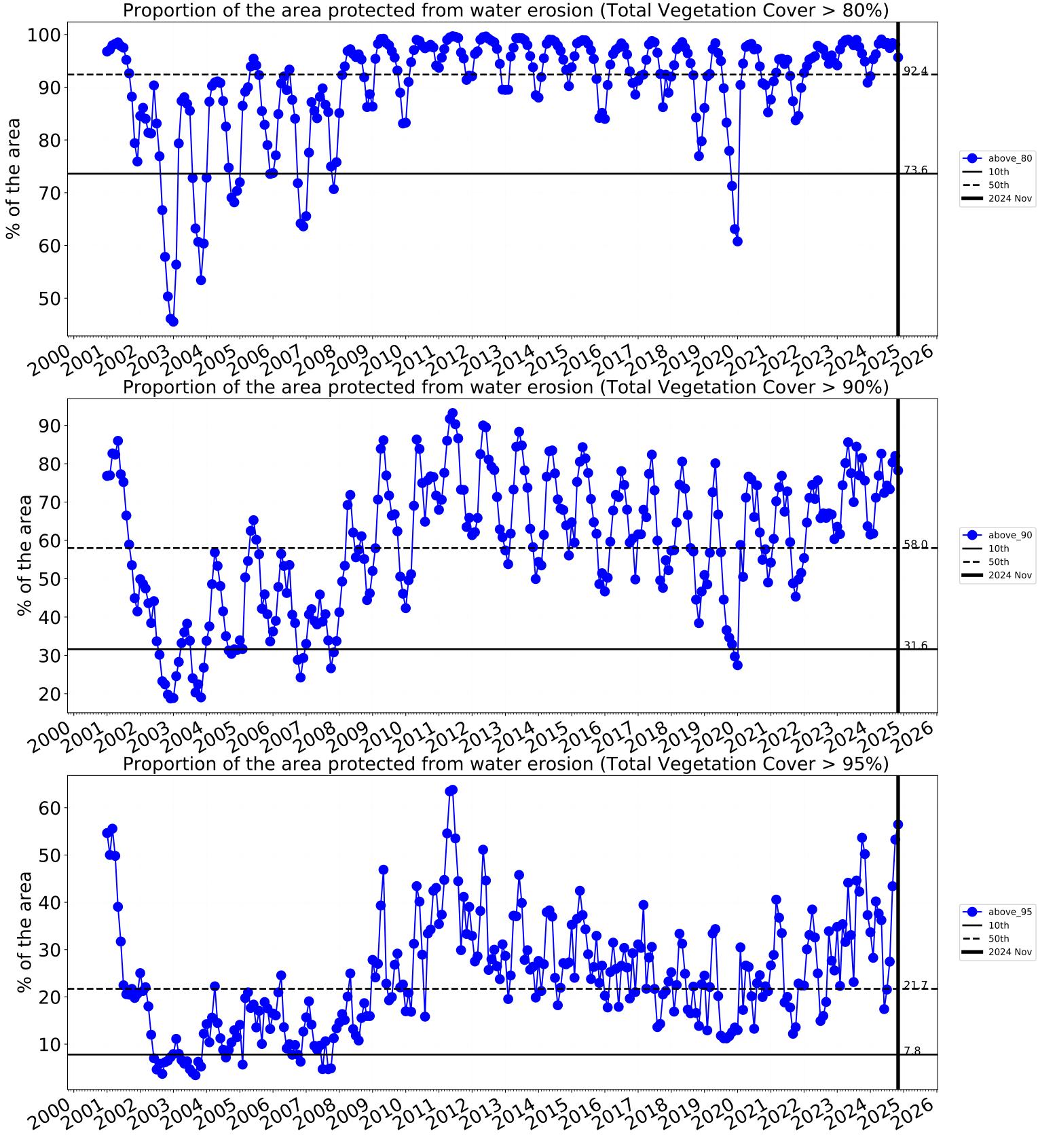


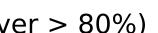
# Agriculture timeseries



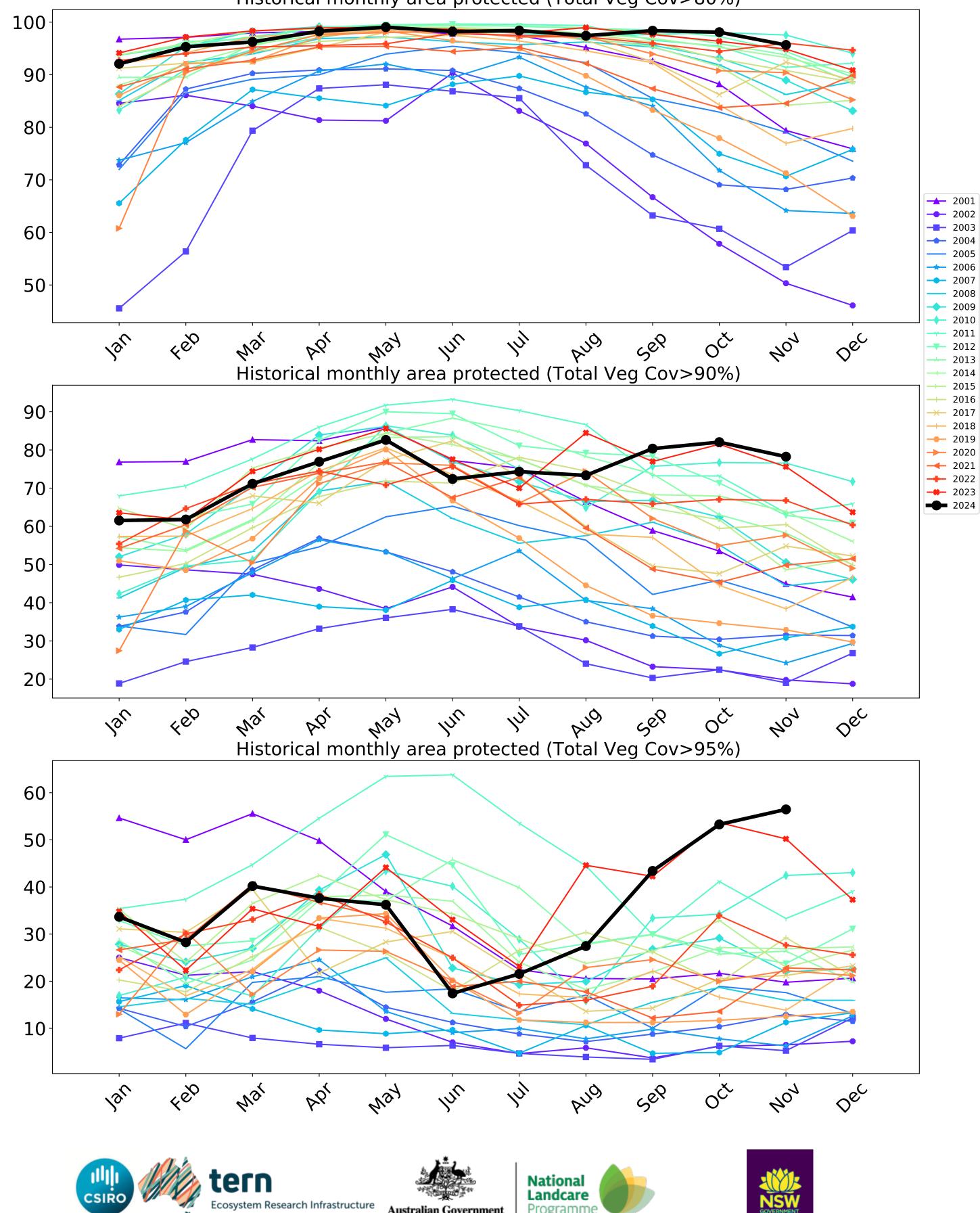
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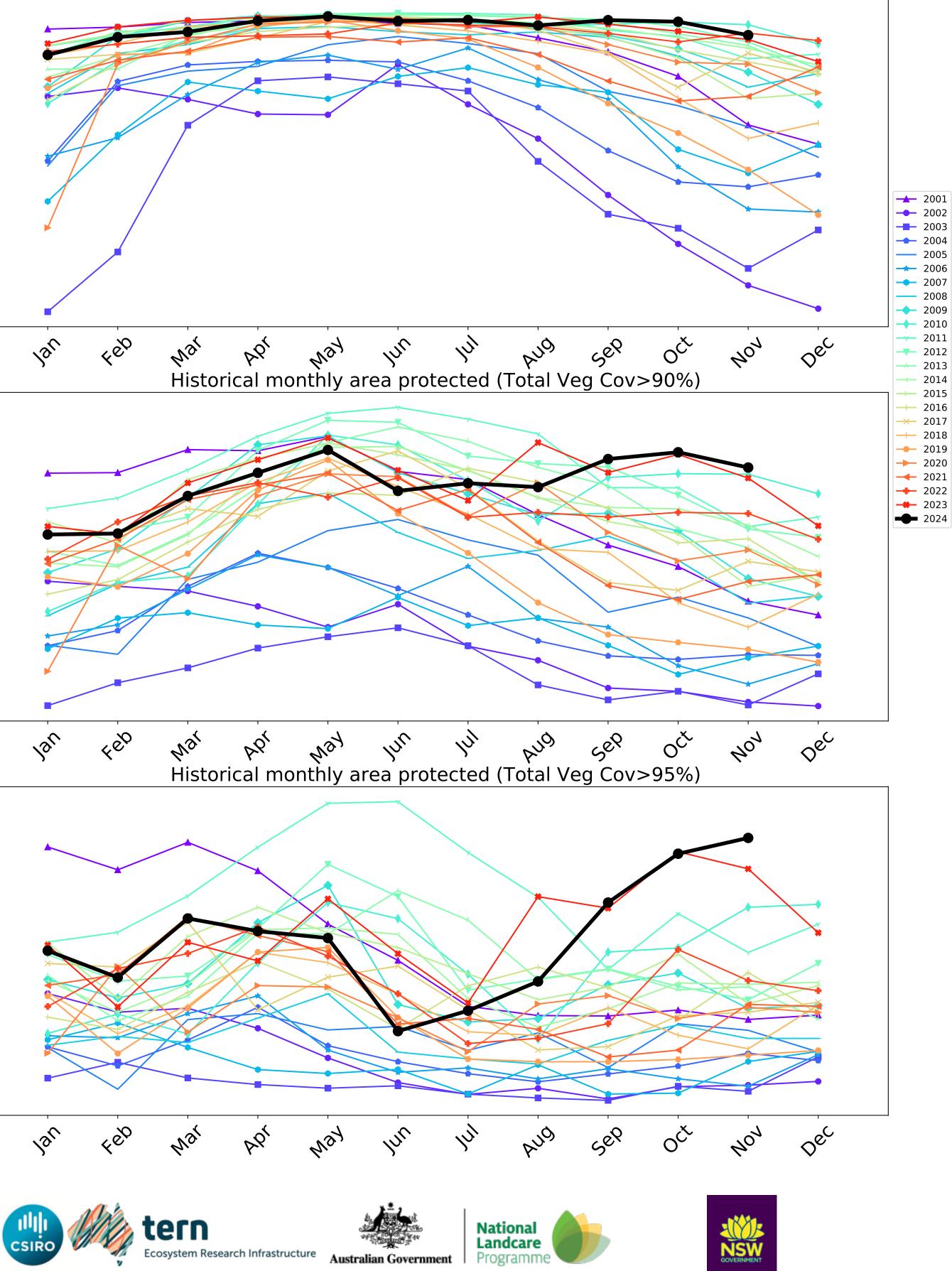












## Grazing

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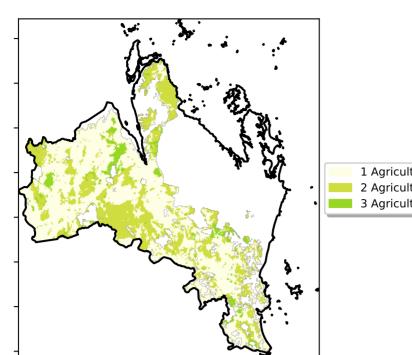
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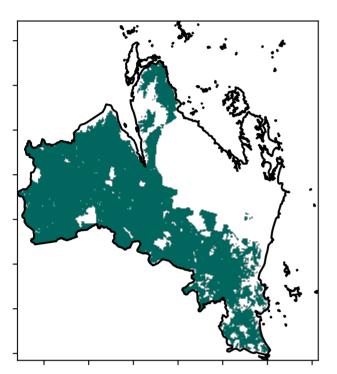
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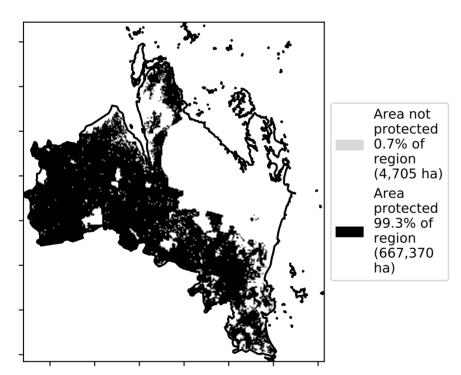


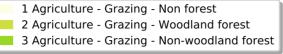
Land use and forest cover

**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





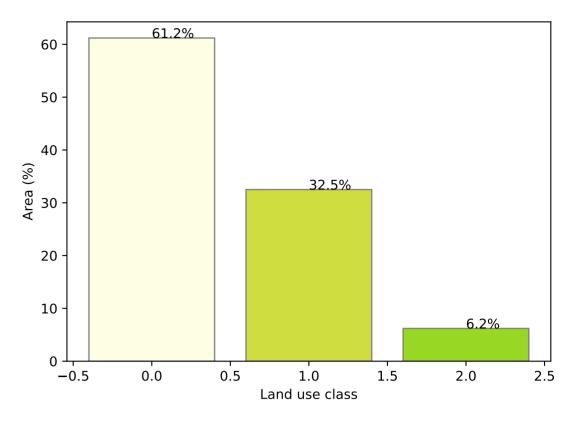
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52%70%

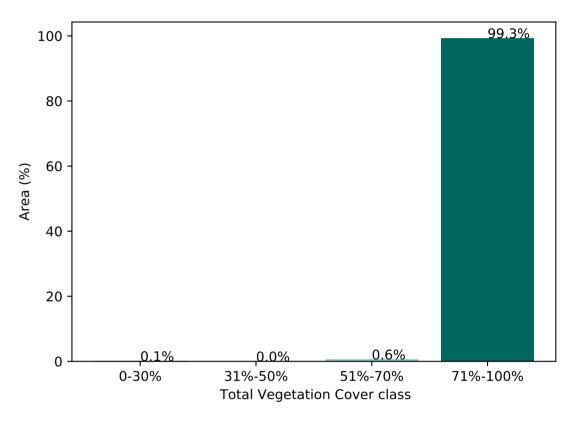
32%50%

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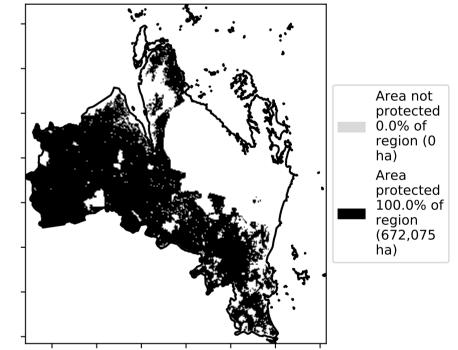
#### Proportion of each land class in area



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

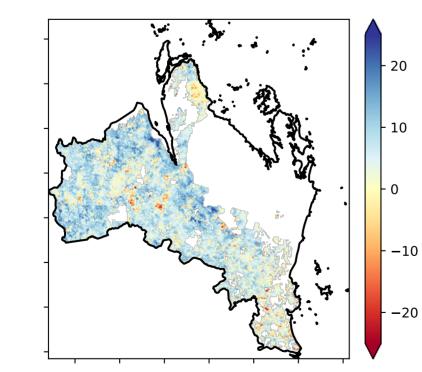


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



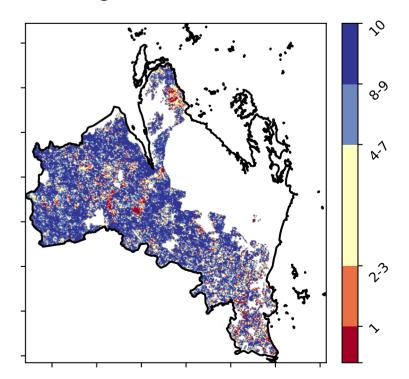


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

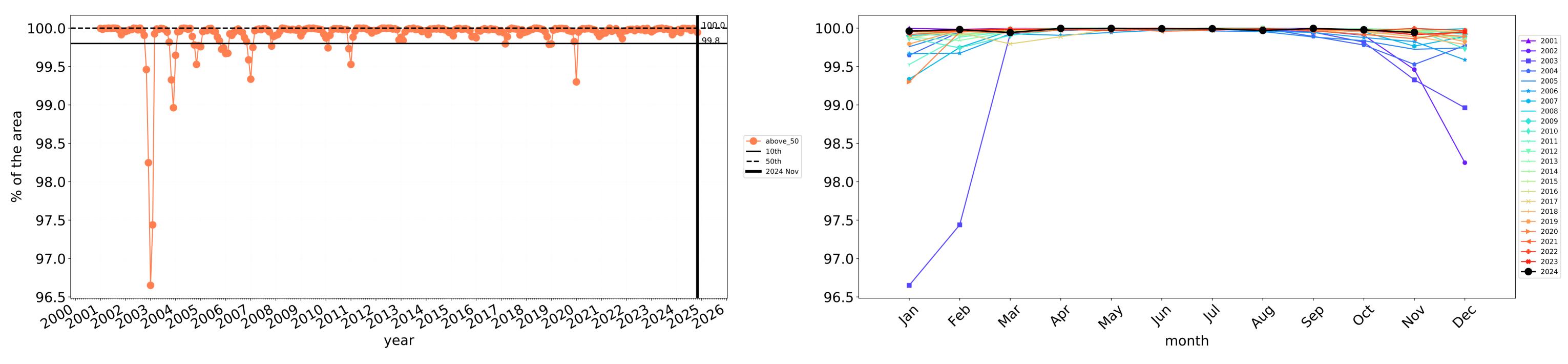


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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

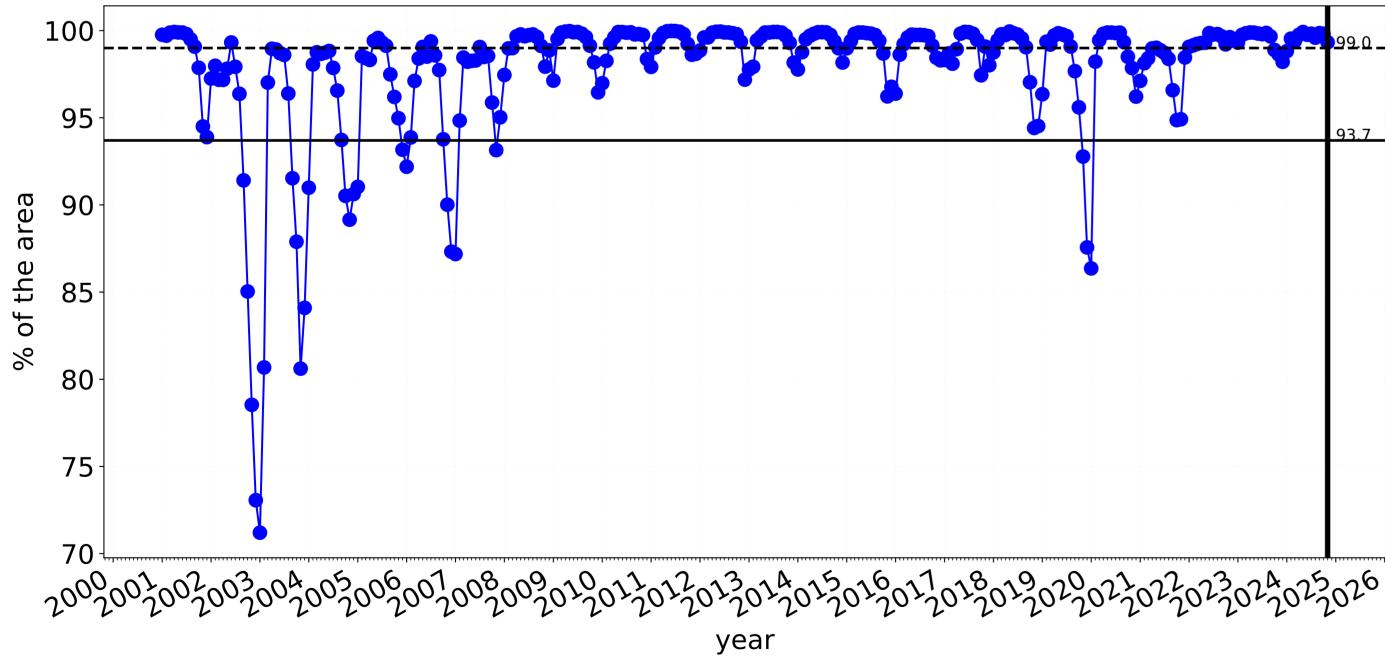


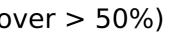




Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

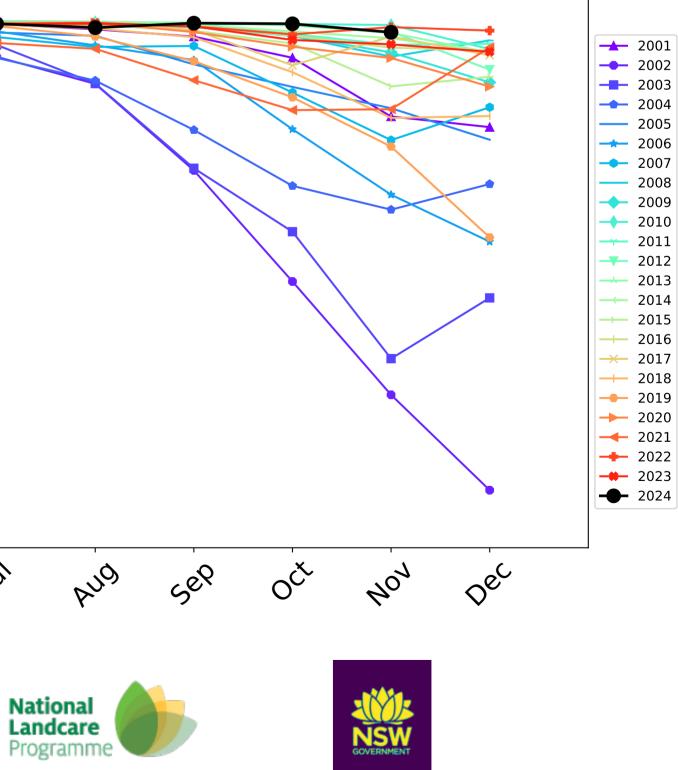


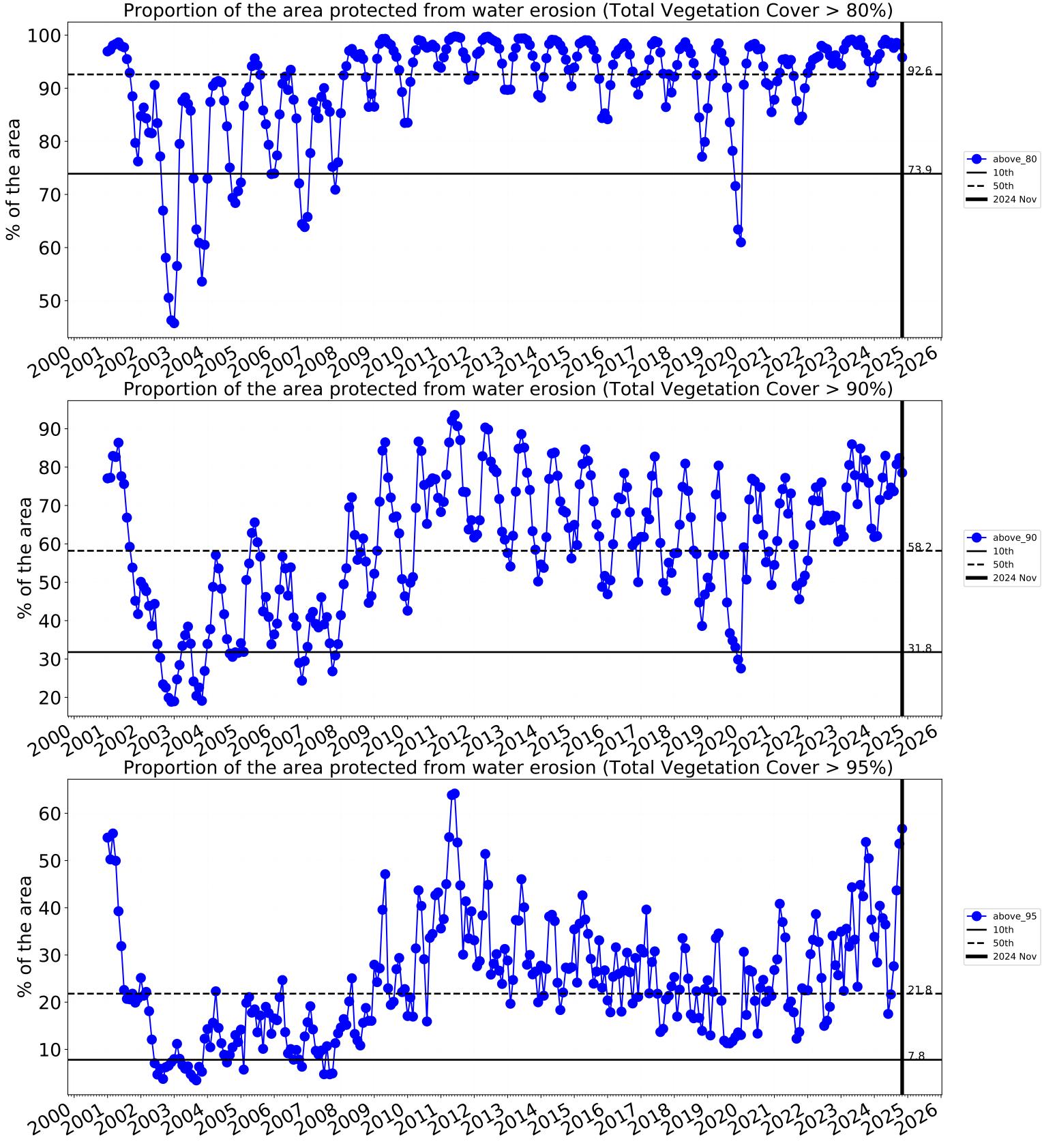


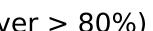
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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







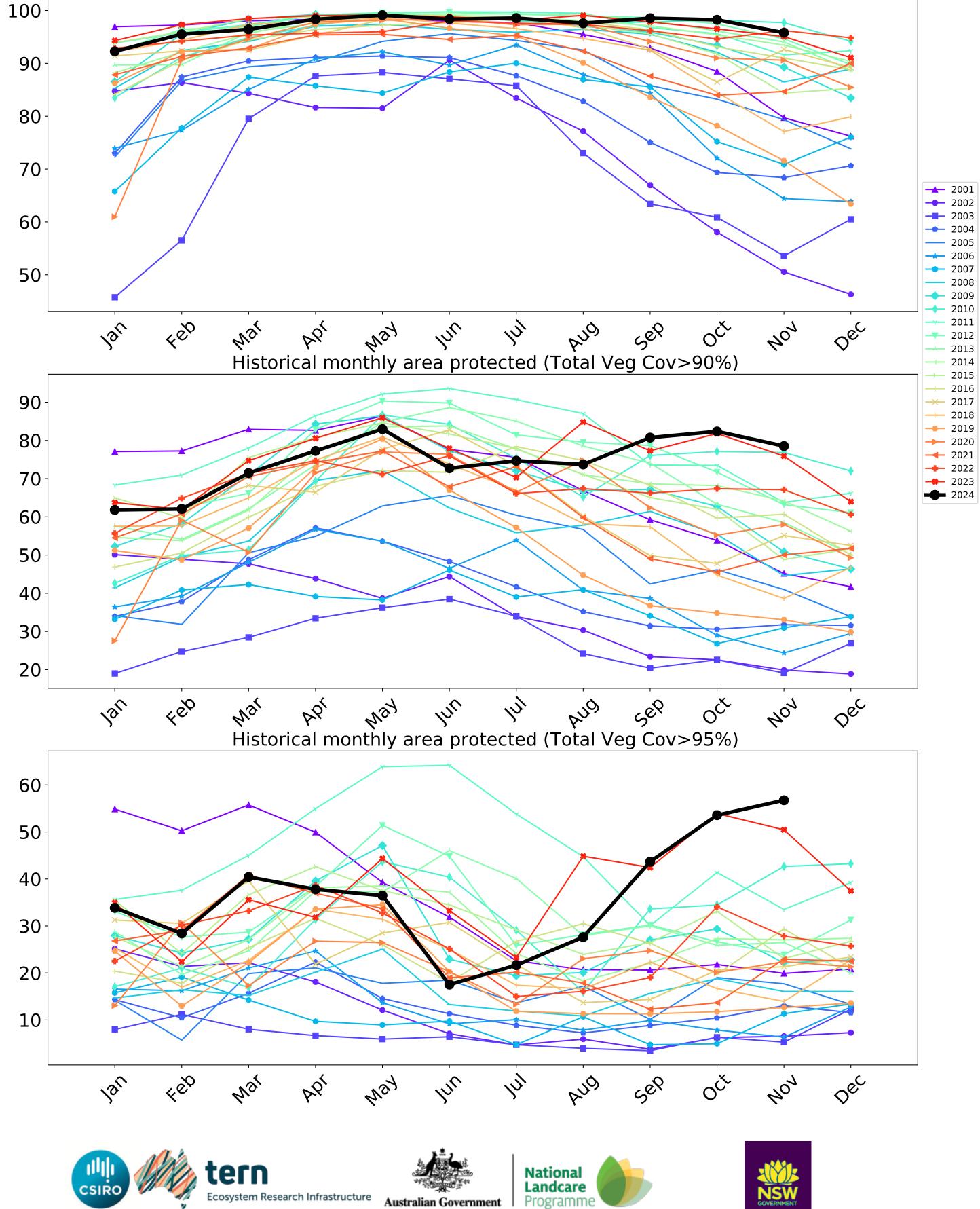
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Historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>80%)



## Grazing non forest

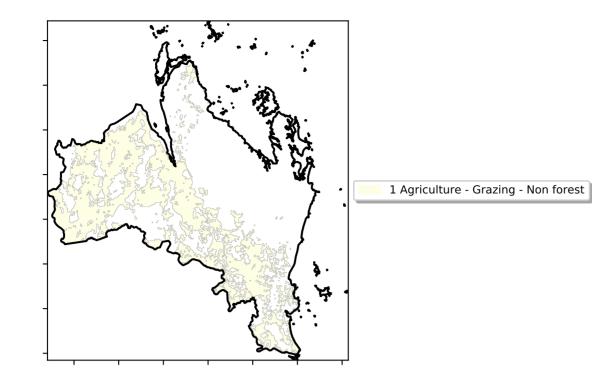
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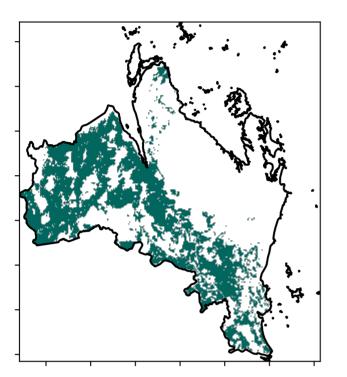
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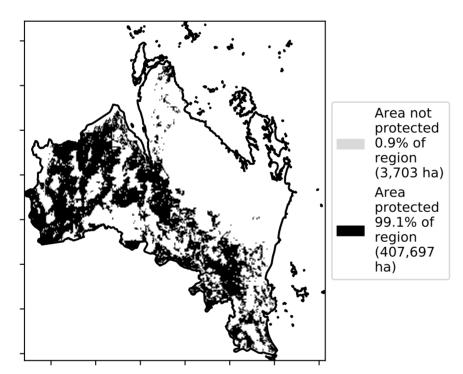
Land use and forest cover



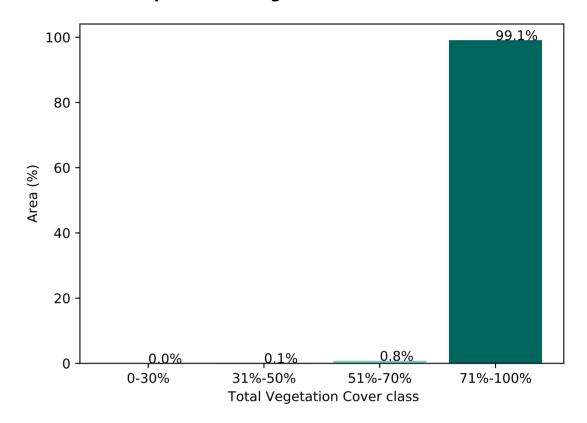
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



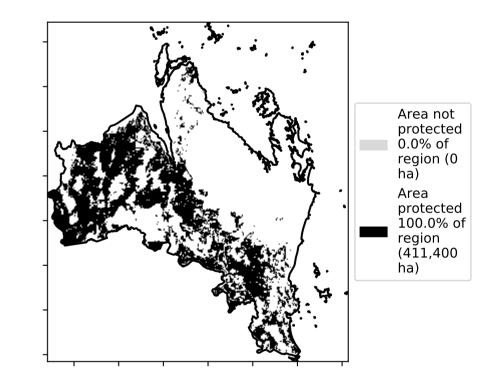




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



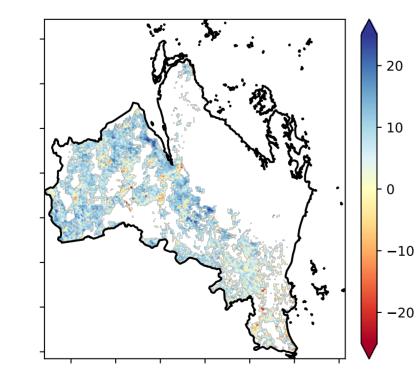
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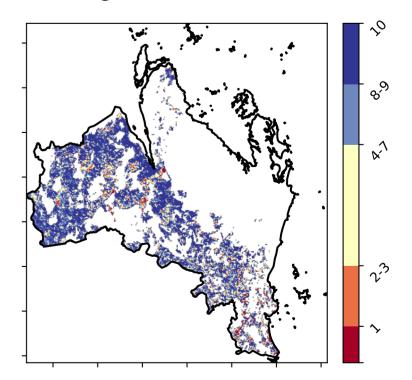
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



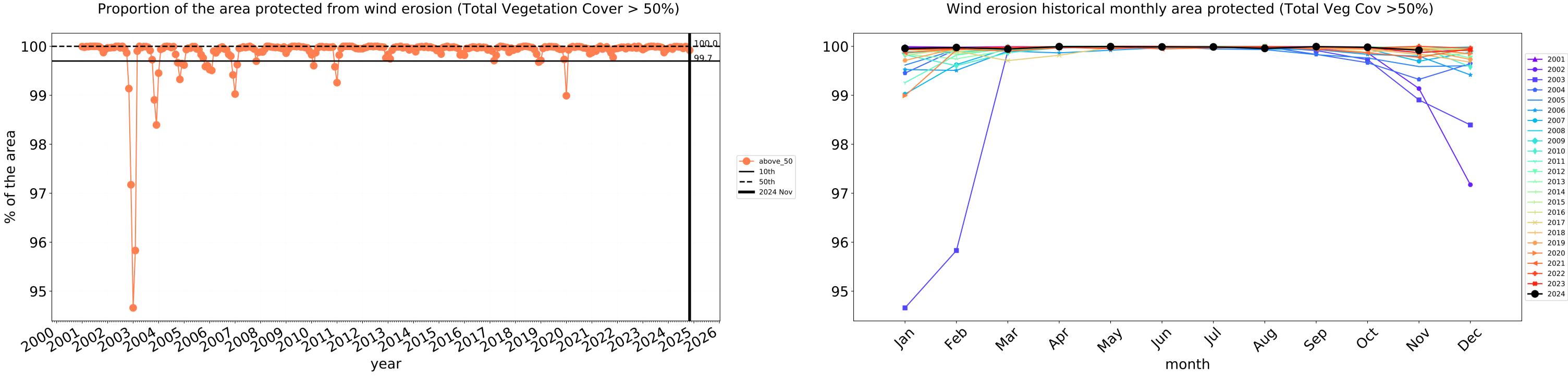
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

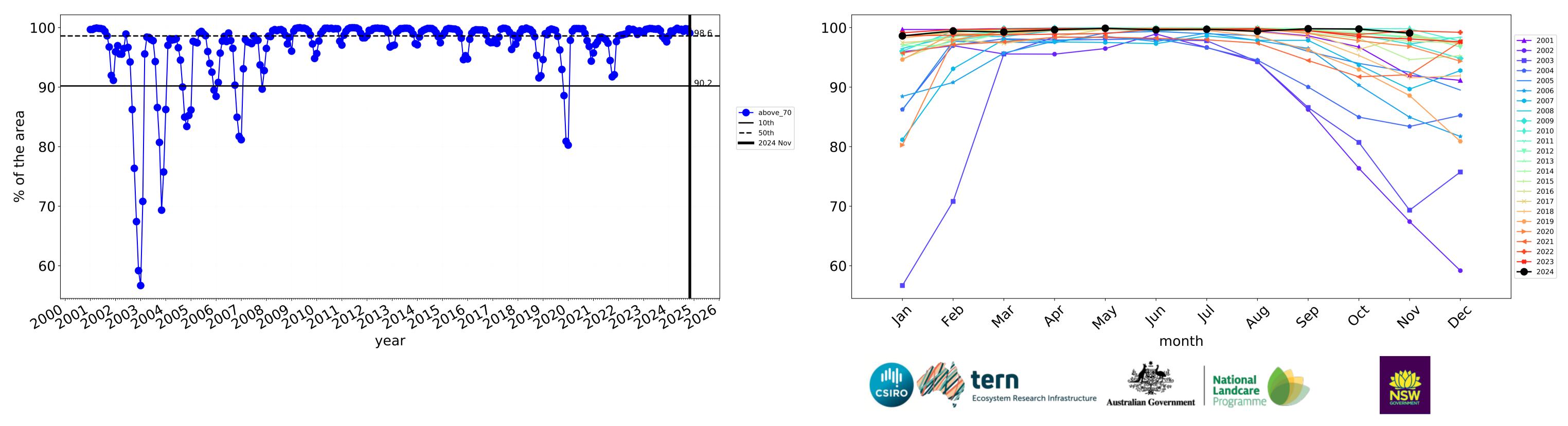




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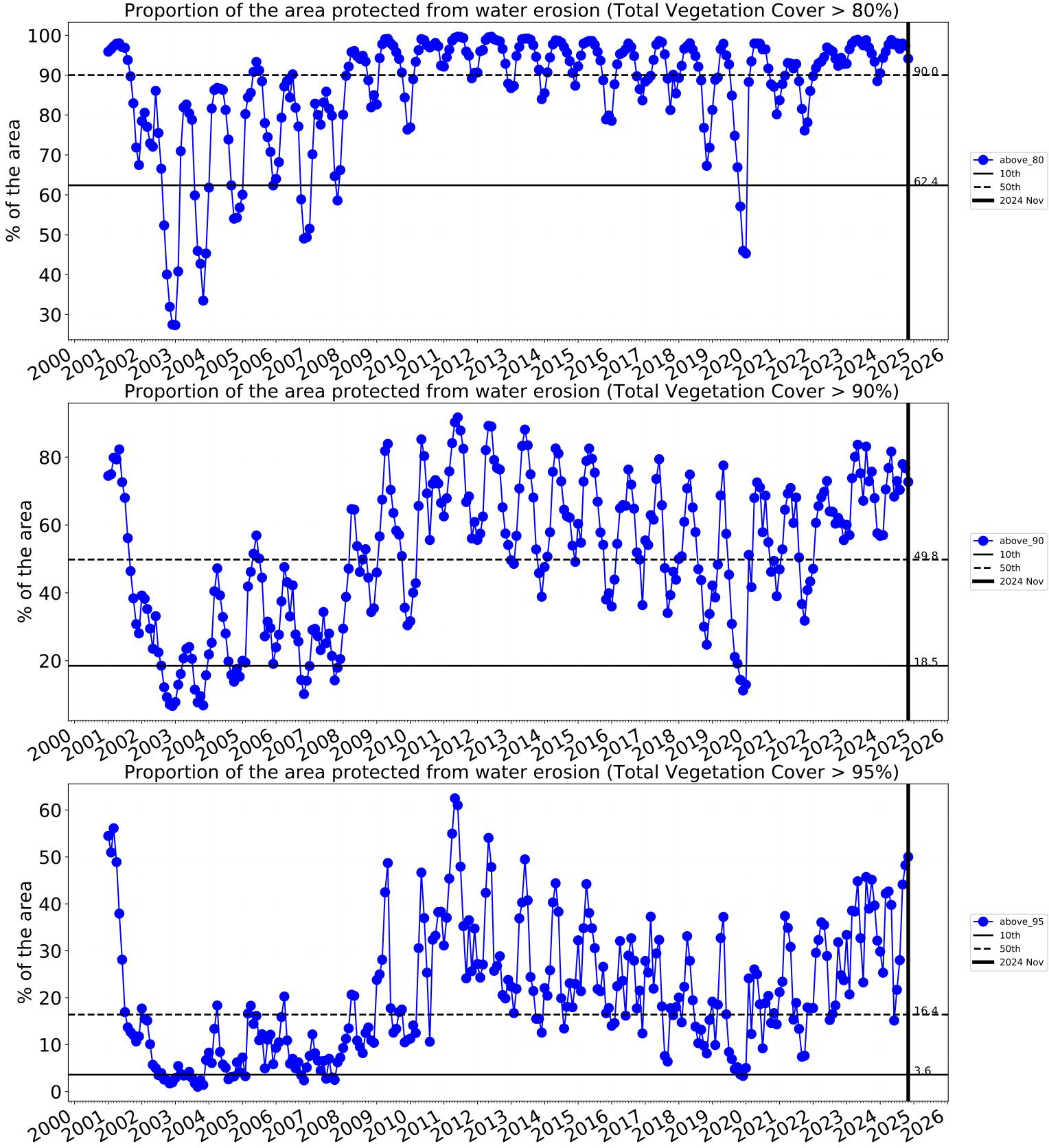


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



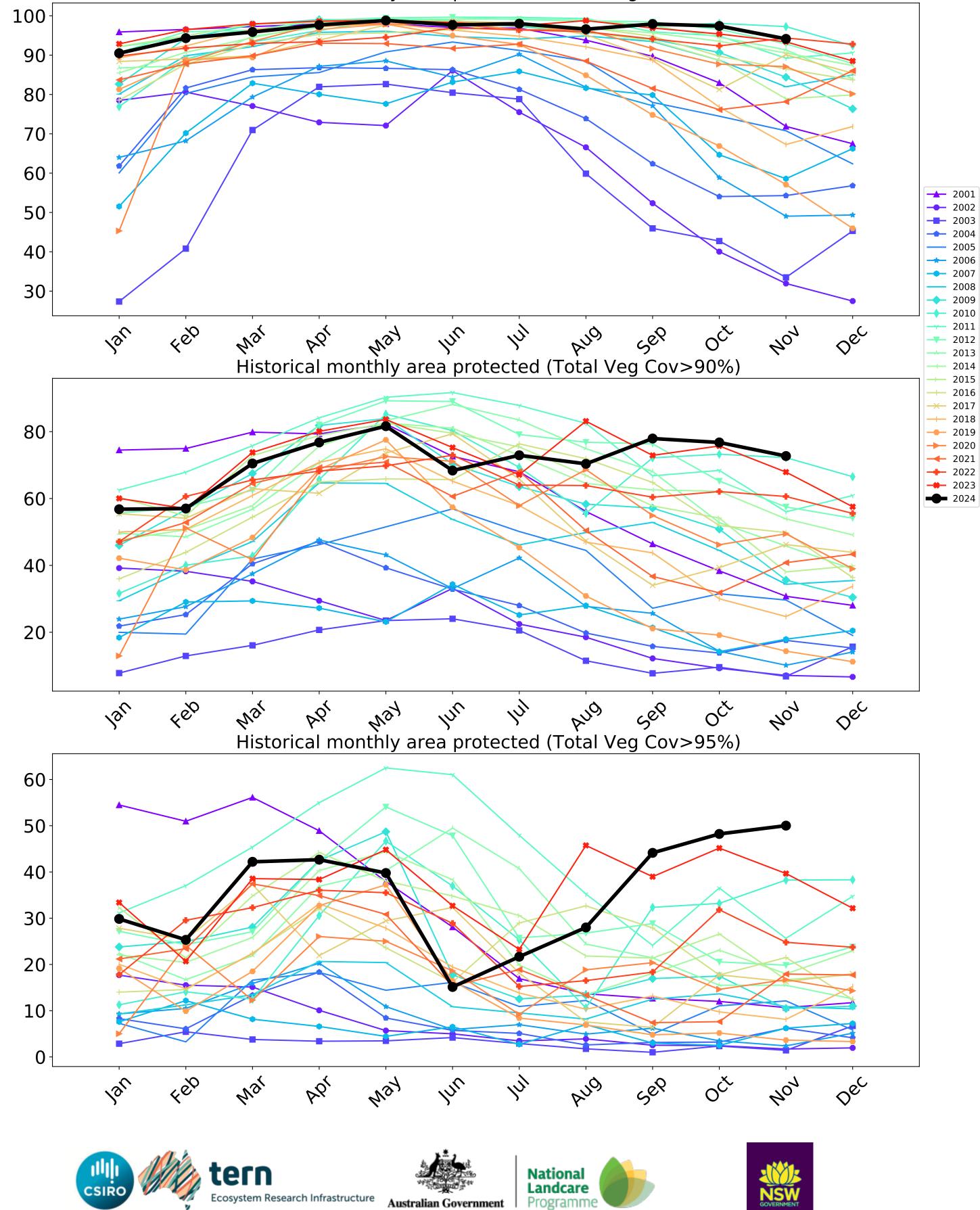
# Grazing non forest timeseries

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





Historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>80%)







## **Grazing Woodland forest**

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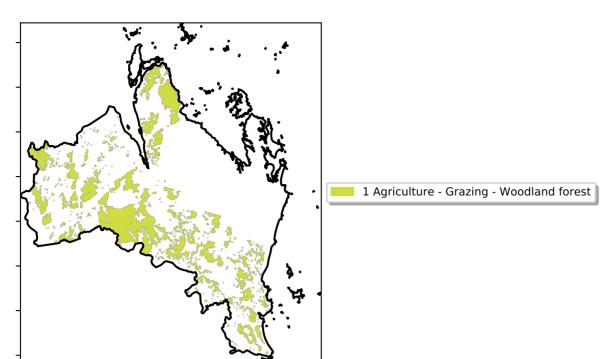
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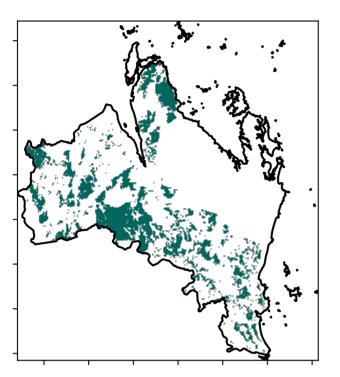
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Land use and forest cover

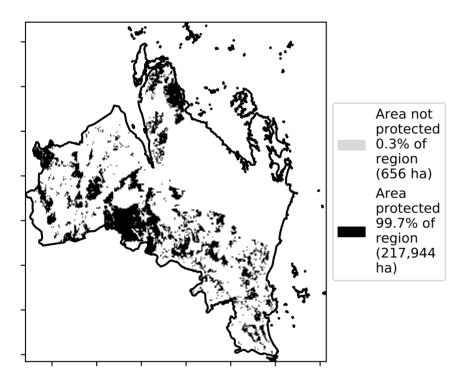




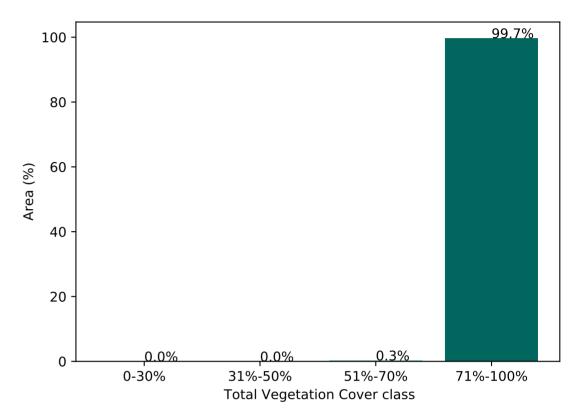
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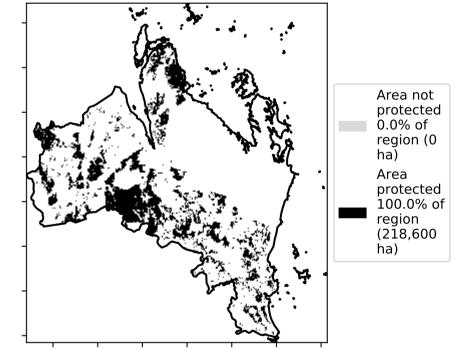
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



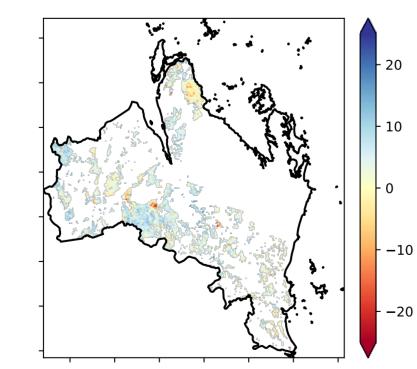




% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

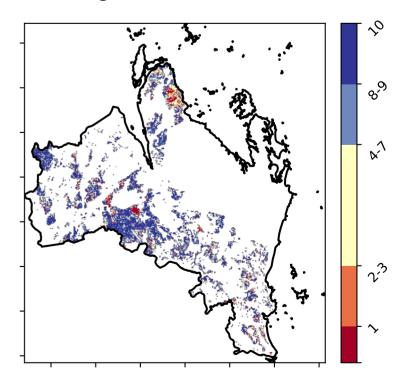


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



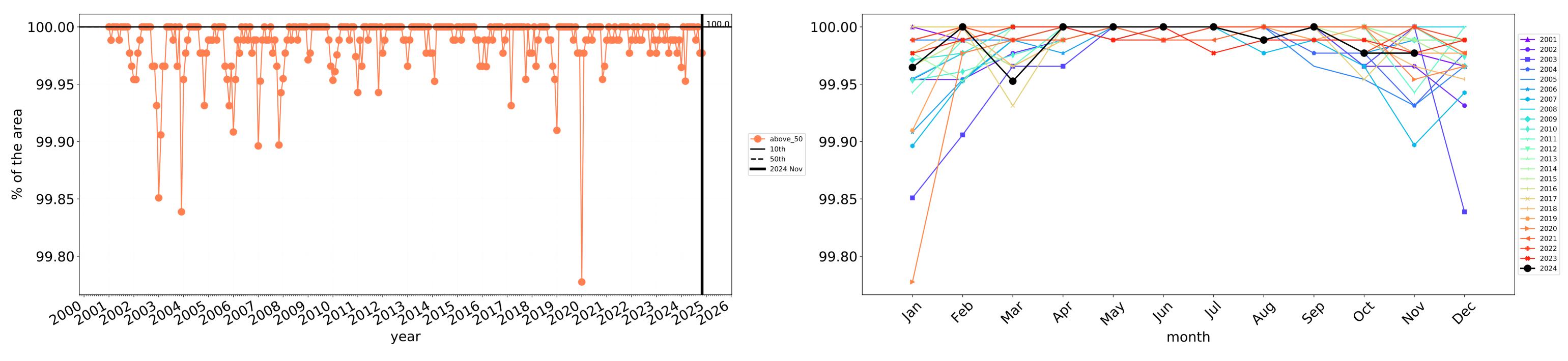
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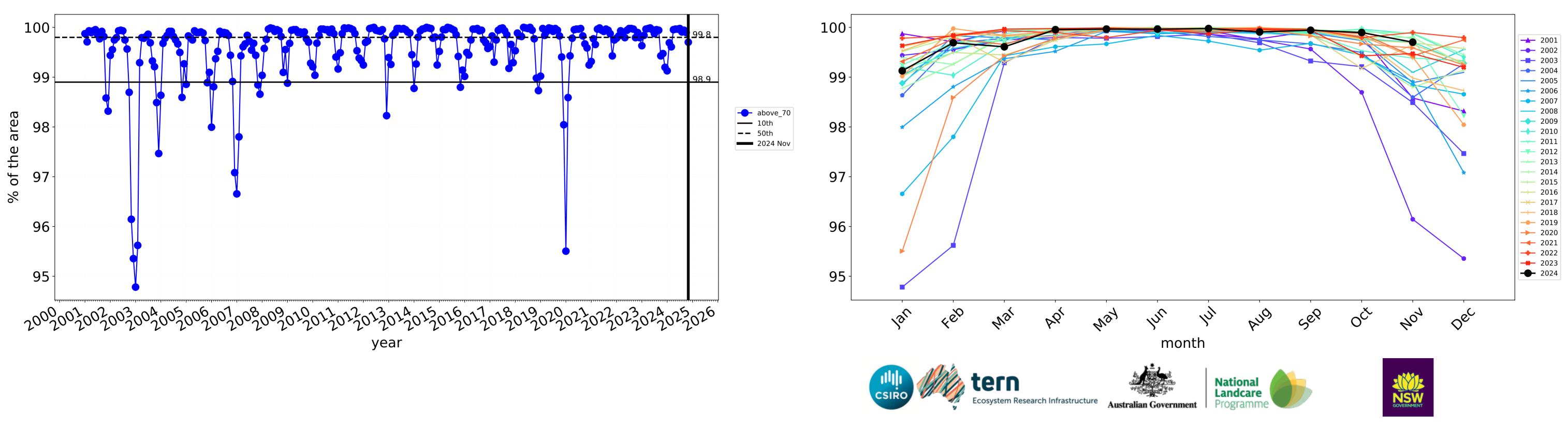


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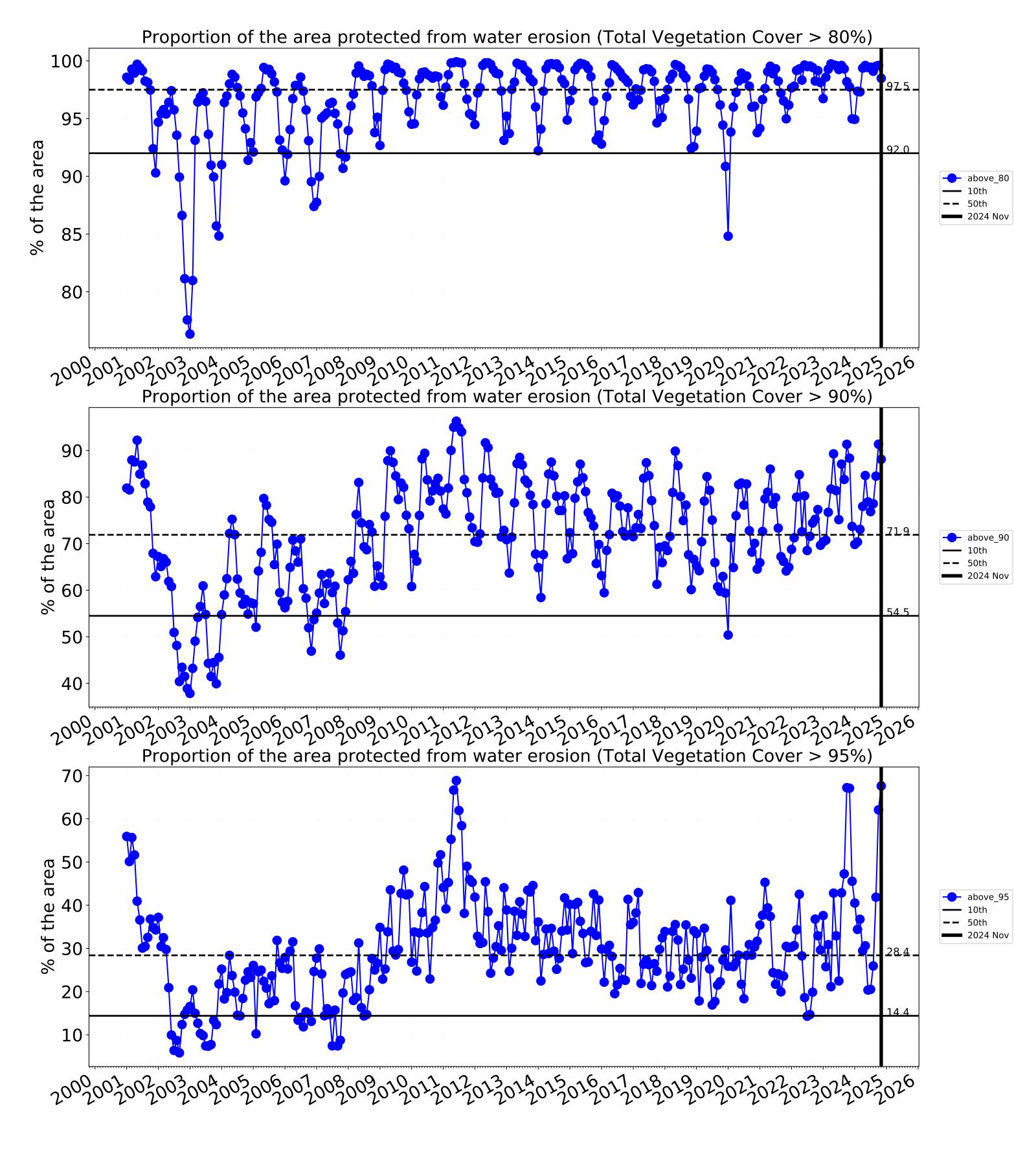
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

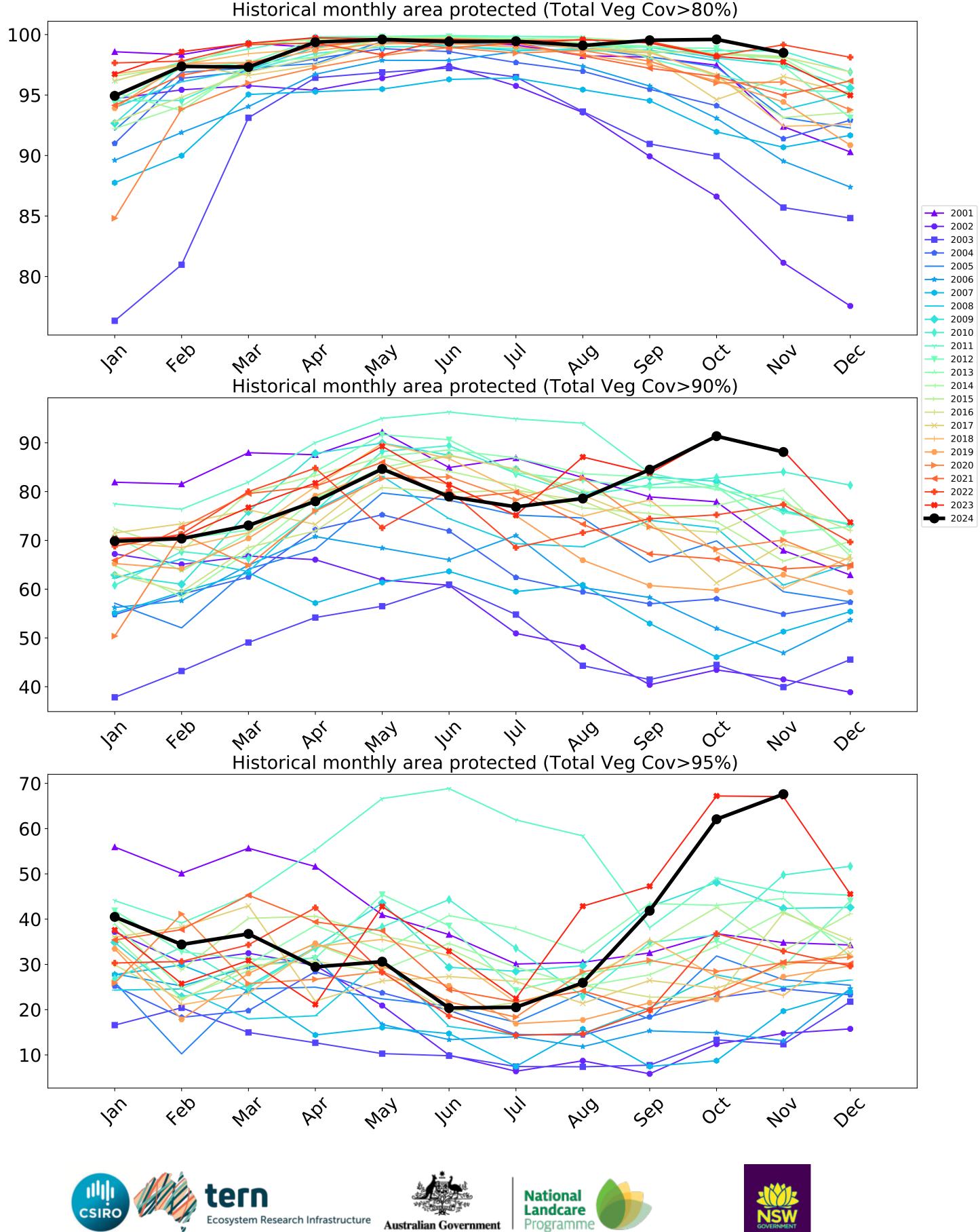
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

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







## Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

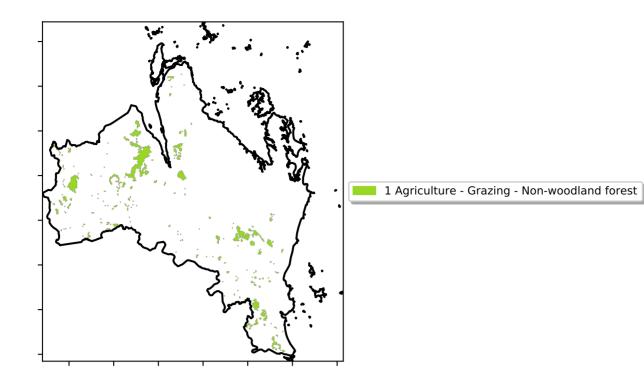
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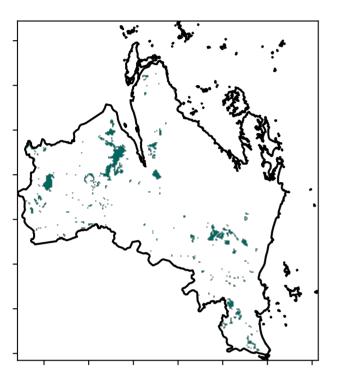
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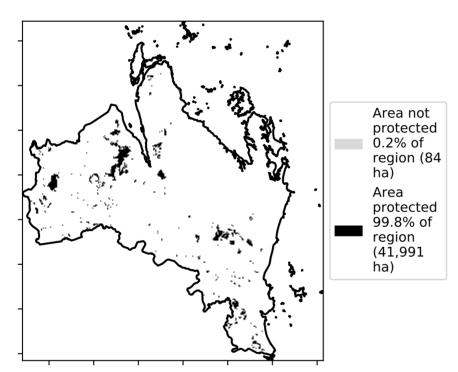
Land use and forest cover



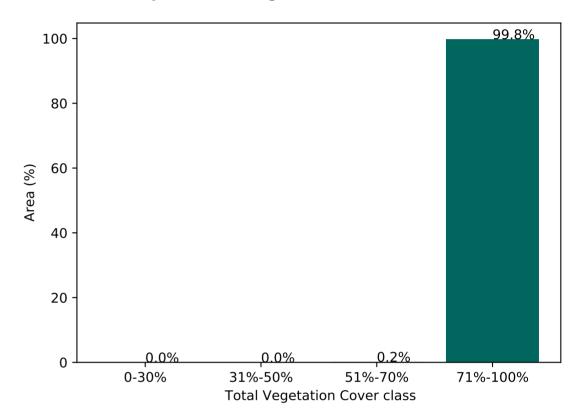
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 









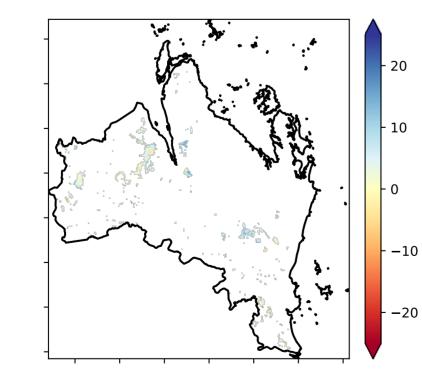


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

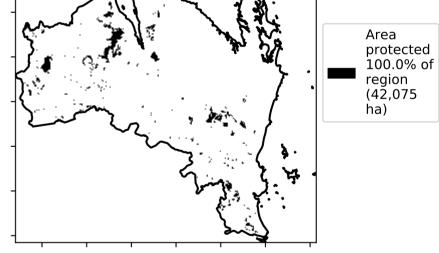


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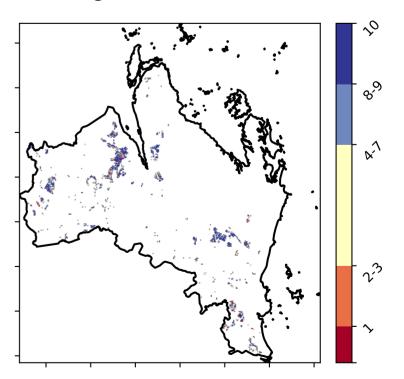
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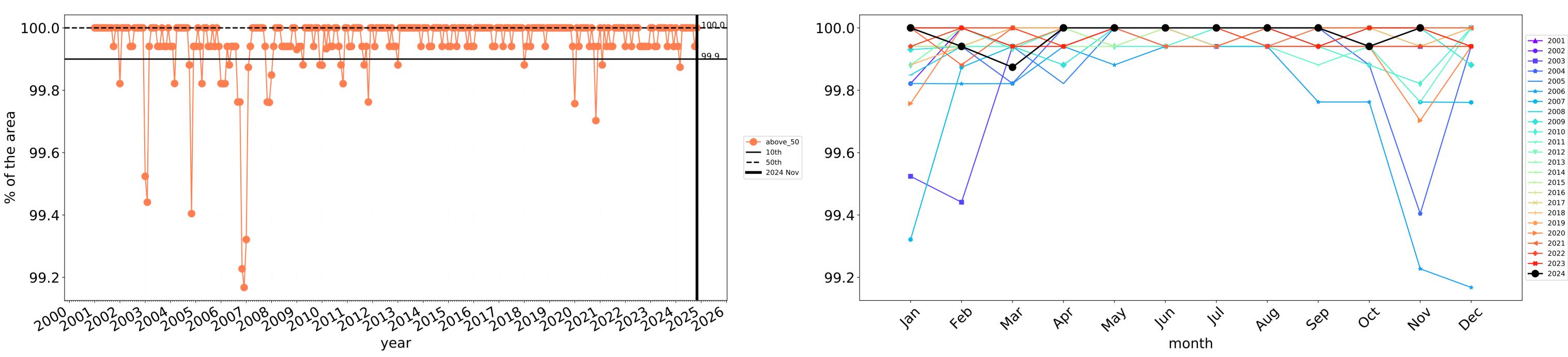
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





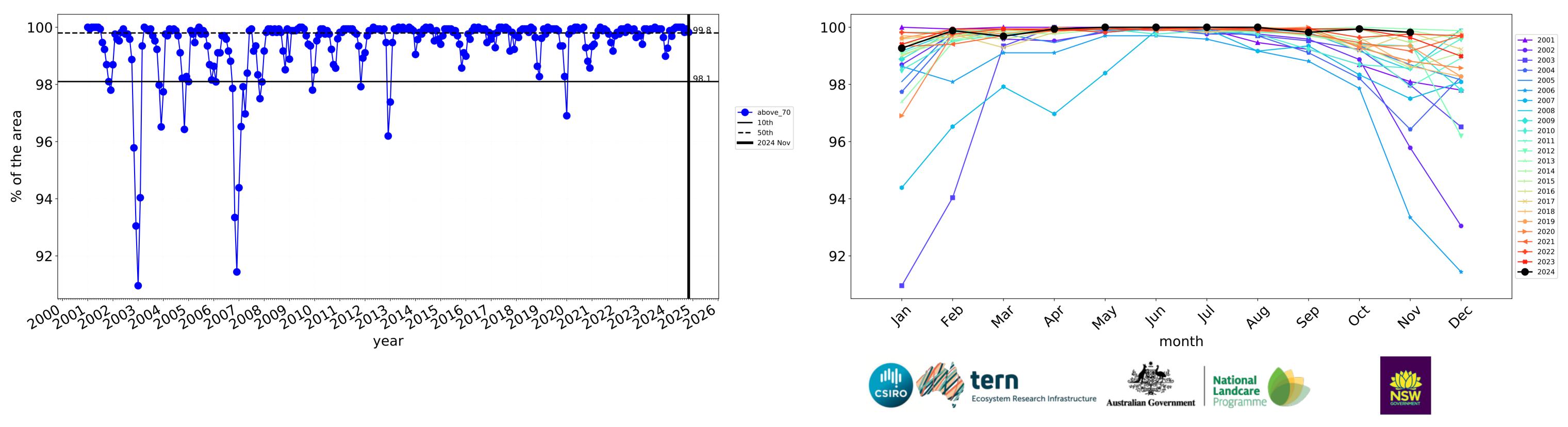
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# Grazing - Forest (non woodland) timeseries



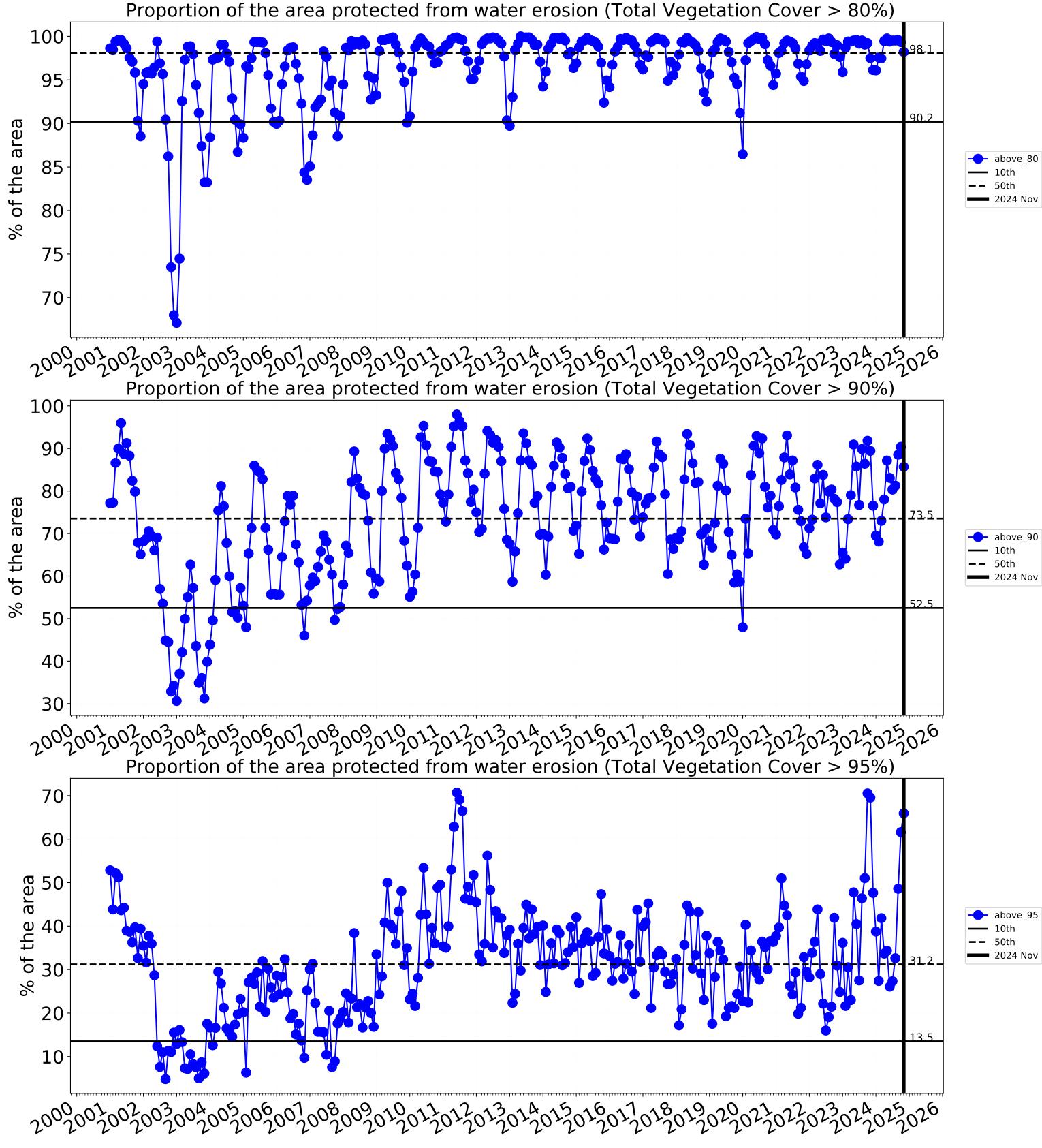
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



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

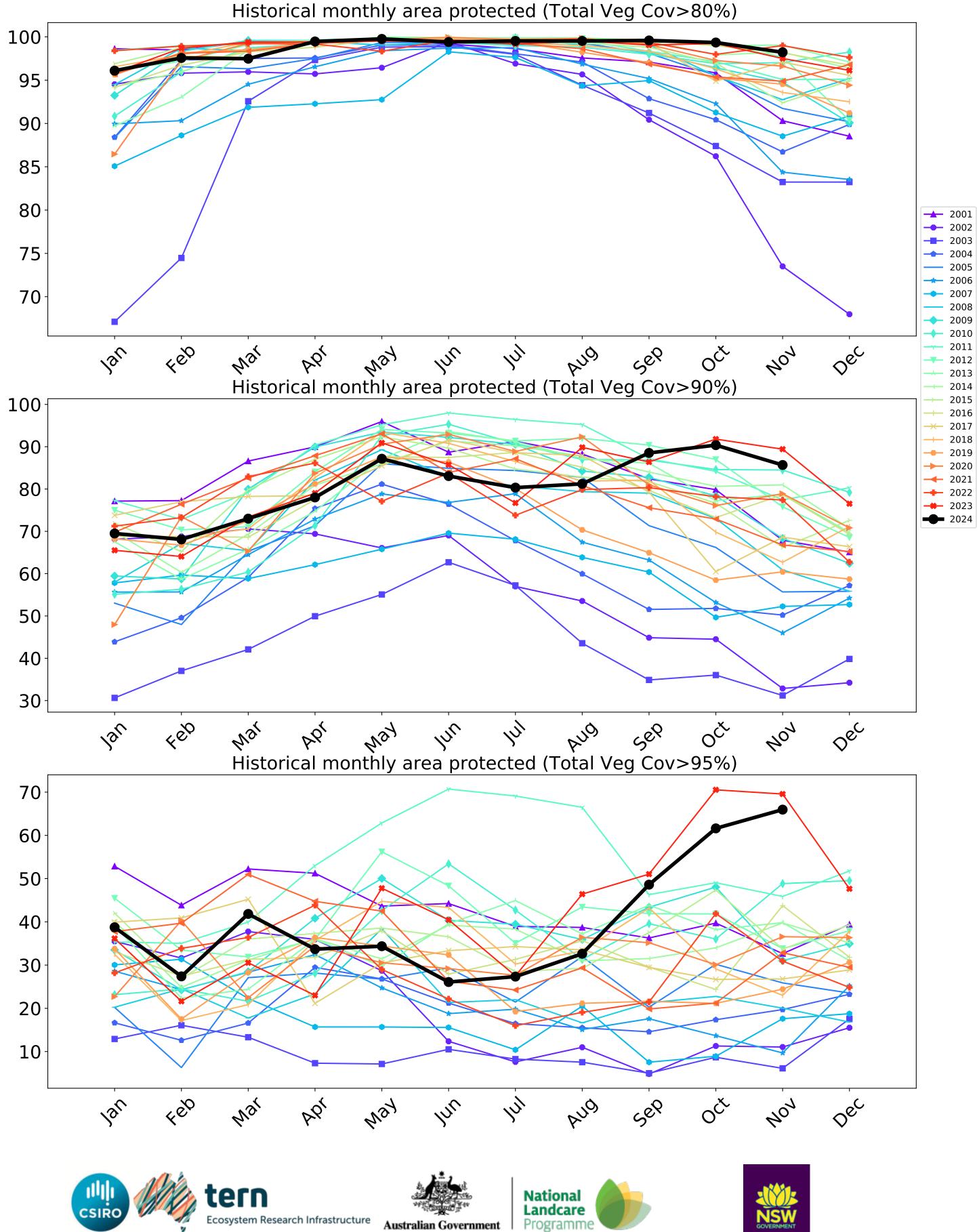
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)





above 80

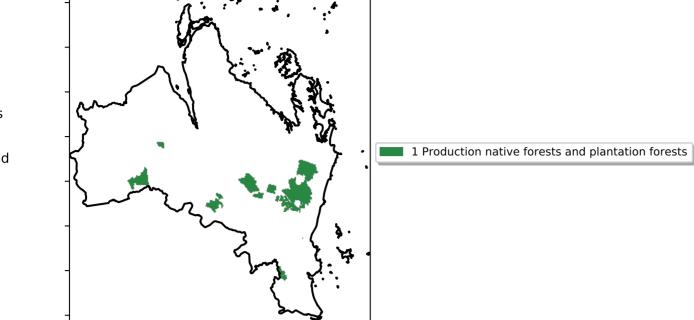
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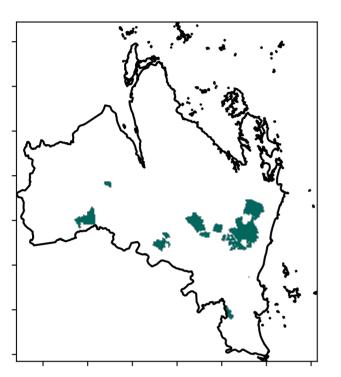


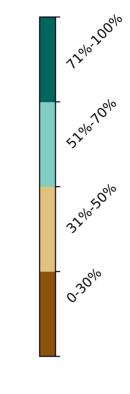
## **Production native forests and plantation forests**

Land use and forest cover

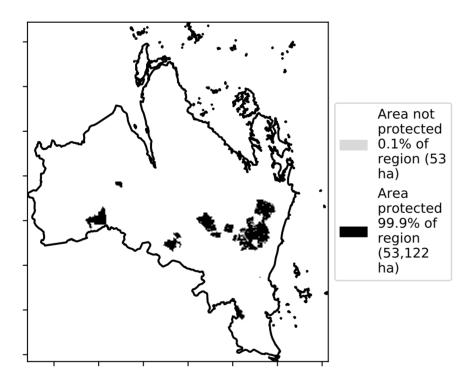


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

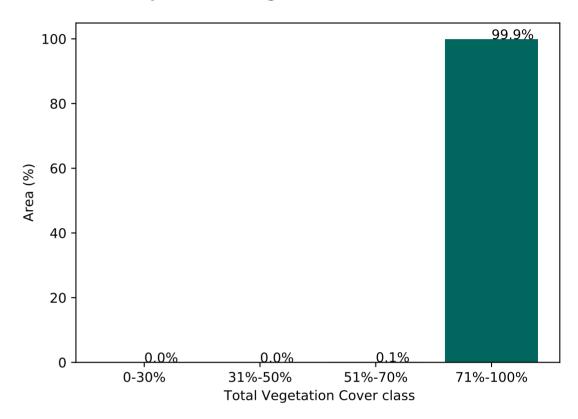




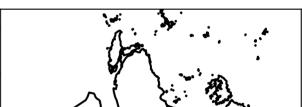
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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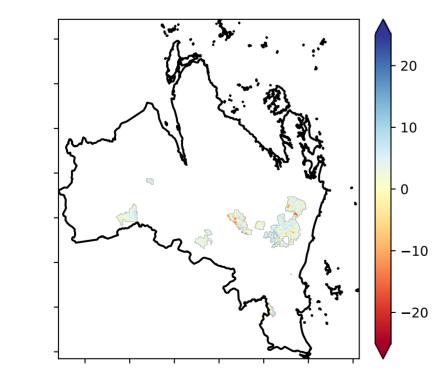
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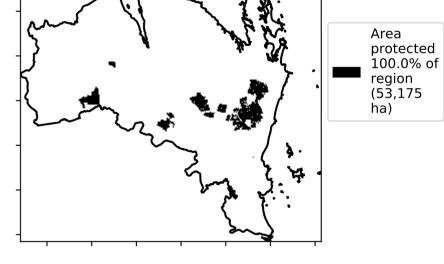
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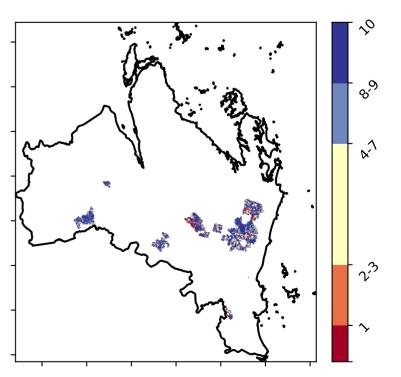
using baseline from 2001 to 2019. Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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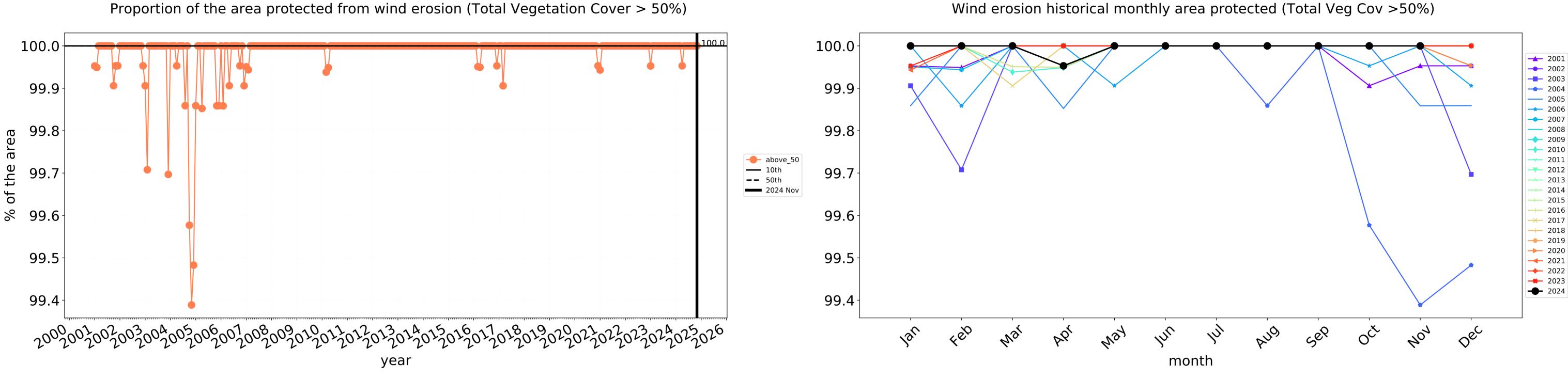


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



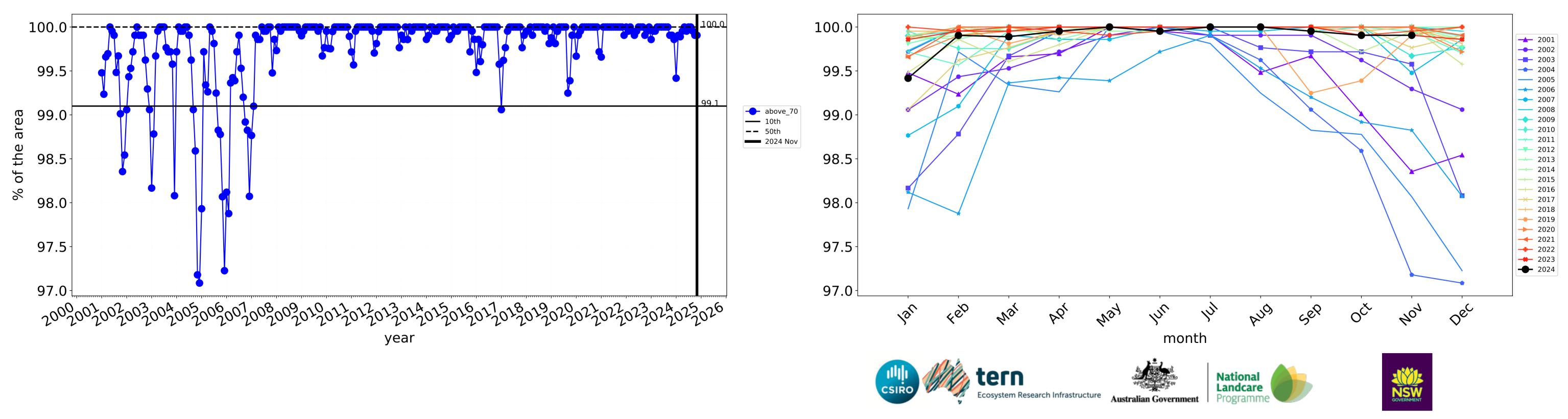


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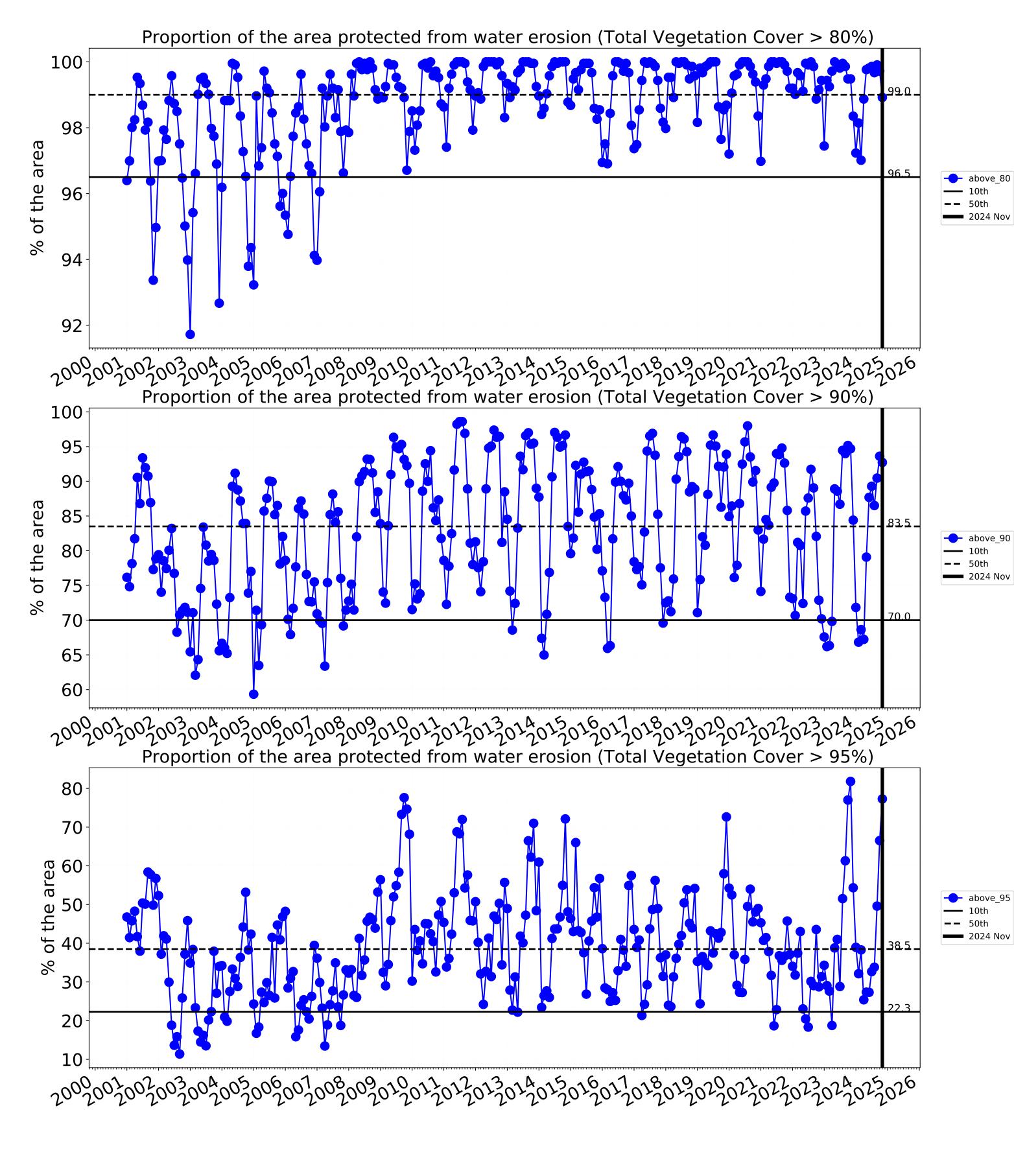
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

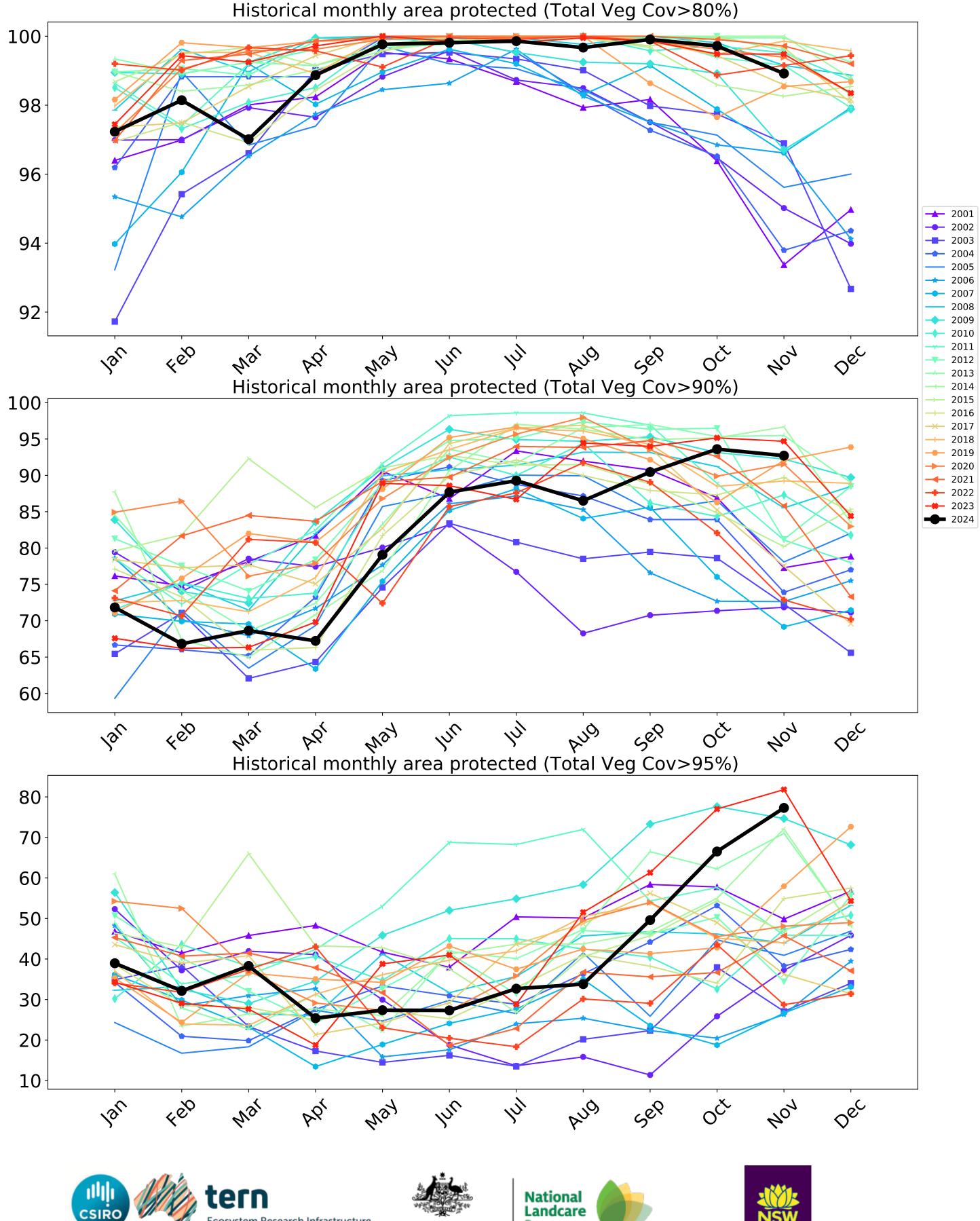




Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

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# Livingstone\_(S) (1,144,200 ha and no data 31,260 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	1,144,200	99.9% 1,143,300	99.7% 1,140,975	98.0% 1,121,100	93.6% 1,070,975	76.8% 878,875	56.9% 650,900
Conservation and natural environments	331,425	99.9% 331,200	99.6% 330,150	97.1% 321,850	92.6% 306,850	77.4% 256,475	59.9% 198,525
Conservation and natural environments non forest	11,100	99.1% 11,000	97.1% 10,775	87.4% 9,700	76.4% 8,475	56.1% 6,225	40.1% 4,450
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	210,675	100.0% 210,625	99.9% 210,375	98.6% 207,750	94.9% 200,025	81.5% 171,725	64.6% 136,150
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	109,650	99.9% 109,575	99.4% 109,000	95.2% 104,400	89.7% 98,350	71.6% 78,525	52.8% 57,925
Agriculture	677,450	100.0% 677,325	99.9% 677,050	99.3% 672,550	95.7% 648,050	78.2% 530,000	56.5% 382,500
Grazing	672,075	100.0% 671,950	99.9% 671,700	99.3% 667,550	95.8% 643,900	78.5% 527,775	56.7% 381,325
Grazing non forest	411,400	100.0% 411,300	99.9% 411,075	99.1% 407,600	94.1% 387,275	72.7% 299,100	50.0% 205,775
Grazing Woodland forest	218,600	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,550	99.7% 217,950	98.5% 215,300	88.1% 192,625	67.6% 147,800
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	42,075	100.0% 42,075	100.0% 42,075	99.8% 42,000	98.2% 41,325	85.7% 36,050	66.0% 27,750
Production native forests and plantation forests	53,175	100.0% 53,175	100.0% 53,175	99.9% 53,125	98.9% 52,600	92.7% 49,300	77.3% 41,100

