# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Logan\_(C) QLD

# Date: June 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:

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



# **Vegetation Cover Jun 2023**

#### Land use and forest cover

#### Proportion of each land class in area





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



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





#### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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













### **Conservation and natural environments**



Proportion of each land class in area

**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 [%]



Deciles show where the pixel value lies in the record, from highest to lowest, for that month. That is, red pixels are in the lowest 10% of records for that month of the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019.

**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





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





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



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





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



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



**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]





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50%

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







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







### Agriculture

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Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) of Australia (2018) of Australia (2018)

**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

Land use and forest cover



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of each land class in area



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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



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

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



## Grazing

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Total Vegetation Cover [%]

Land use and forest cover



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



49.7% 50 40 30.9% Area (%) 05 19.4% 20 10 0 -2.0 -0.5 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.5 0.0 Land use class

#### 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%)



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

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





## **Grazing non forest**



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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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





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





## **Grazing Woodland forest**



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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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 









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



## Grazing - Forest (non woodland)



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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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





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# Grazing - Forest (non woodland) timeseries

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

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





## Irrigation

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Land use and forest cover

Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





#### Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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

# Irrigation timeseries

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









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



**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





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



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





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



# Logan\_(C) (total 95,925 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	95,925	100.0% 95,925	99.8% 95,750	94.1% 90,250	84.5% 81,025	57.4% 55,075	20.5% 19,625
Conservation and natural environments	10,775	100.0% 10,775	100.0% 10,775	99.5% 10,725	97.9% 10,550	88.9% 9,575	59.9% 6,450
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	2,675	100.0% 2,675	100.0% 2,675	99.1% 2,650	97.2% 2,600	87.9% 2,350	68.2% 1,825
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	7,950	100.0% 7,950	100.0% 7,950	99.7% 7,925	98.1% 7,800	90.3% 7,175	57.9% 4,600
Agriculture	31,325	100.0% 31,325	99.9% 31,300	99.0% 31,025	96.2% 30,150	75.1% 23,525	33.5% 10,500
Grazing	29,800	100.0% 29,800	100.0% 29,800	99.1% 29,525	97.1% 28,925	78.0% 23,250	35.2% 10,475
Grazing non forest	14,825	100.0% 14,825	100.0% 14,825	98.3% 14,575	94.9% 14,075	63.1% 9,350	15.3% 2,275
Grazing Woodland forest	5,775	100.0% 5,775	100.0% 5,775	99.6% 5,750	98.7% 5,700	87.9% 5,075	43.3% 2,500
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	9,200	100.0% 9,200	100.0% 9,200	100.0% 9,200	99.5% 9,150	95.9% 8,825	62.0% 5,700
Irrigation	1,325	100.0% 1,325	100.0% 1,325	100.0% 1,325	79.2% 1,050	18.9% 250	1.9% 25
Production native forests and plantation forests	2,325	100.0% 2,325	97.8% 2,275	90.3% 2,100	76.3% 1,775	51.6% 1,200	8.6% 200

