Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Mackay_(R) QLD

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:

Date: May 2021

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 cover class that 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 May 2021

Land use and forest cover

Catchment Scale

Derived from

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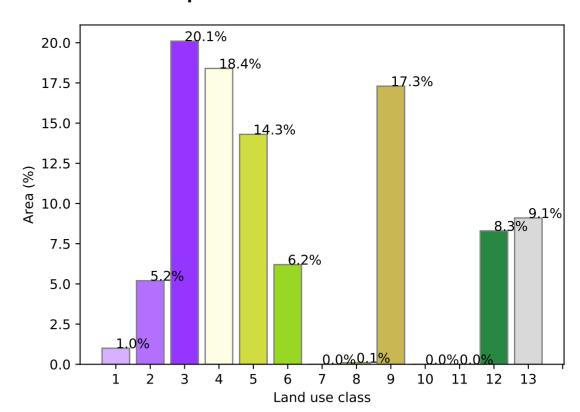
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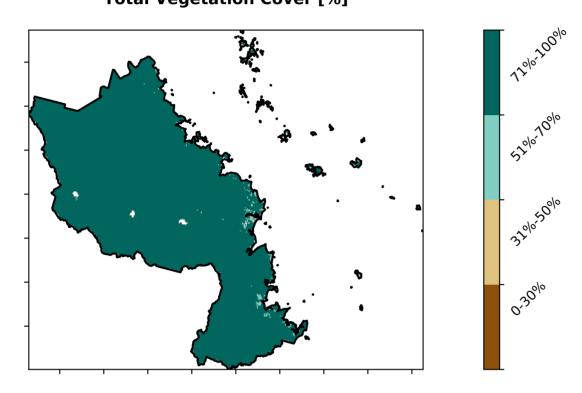
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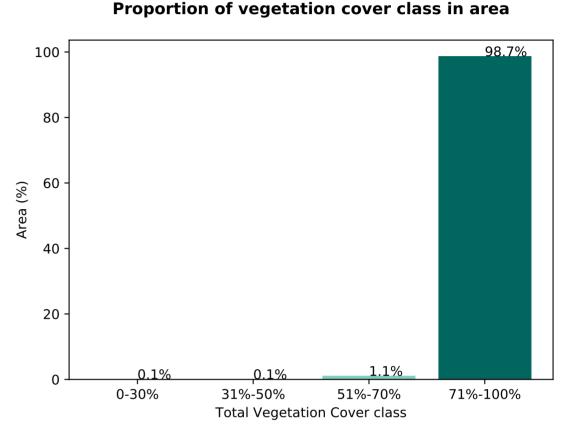
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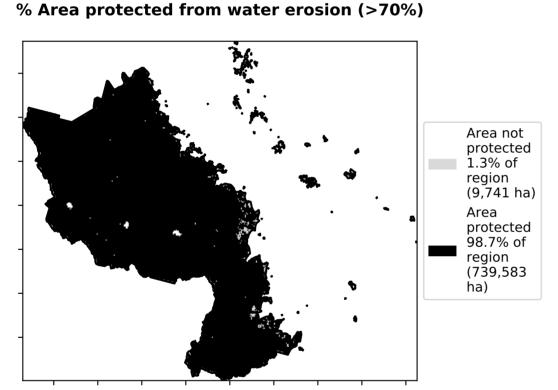
Proportion of each land class in area



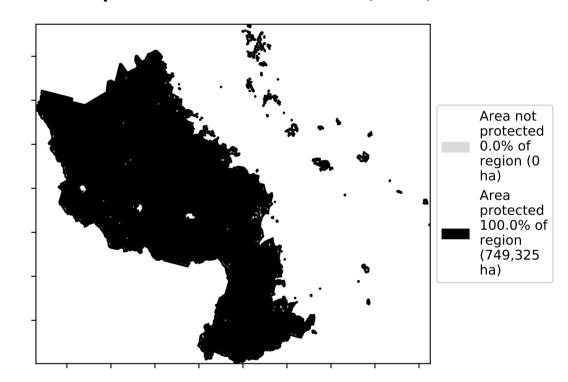
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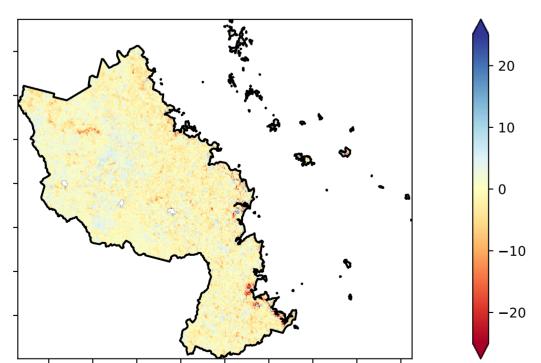




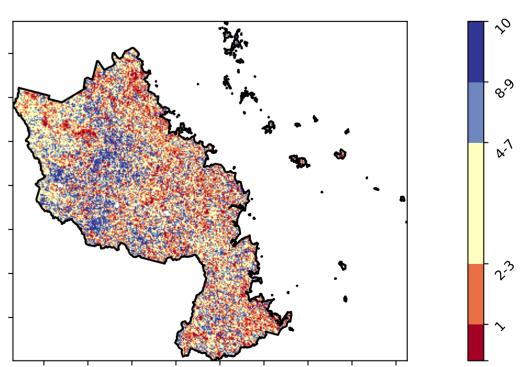
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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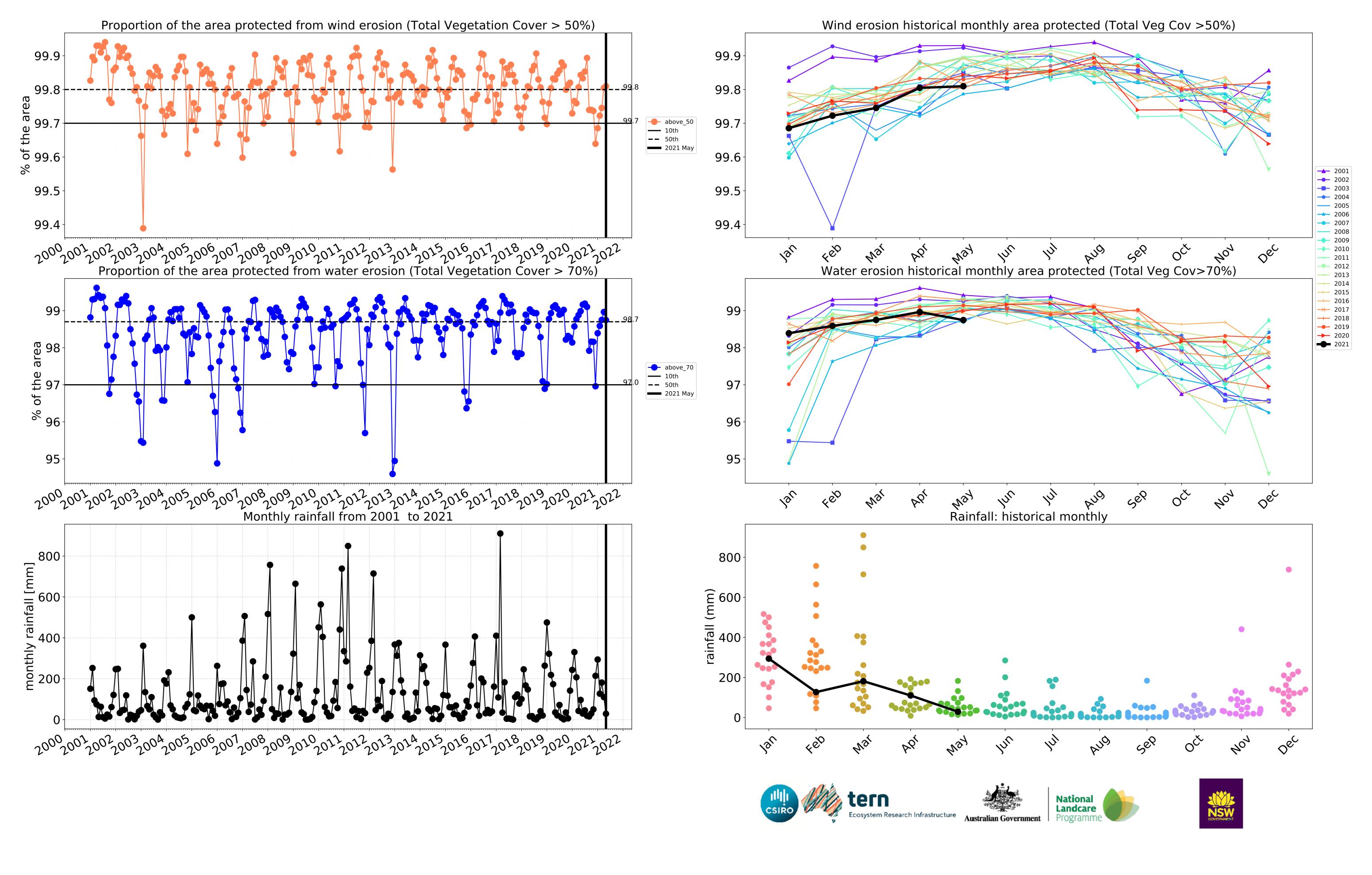




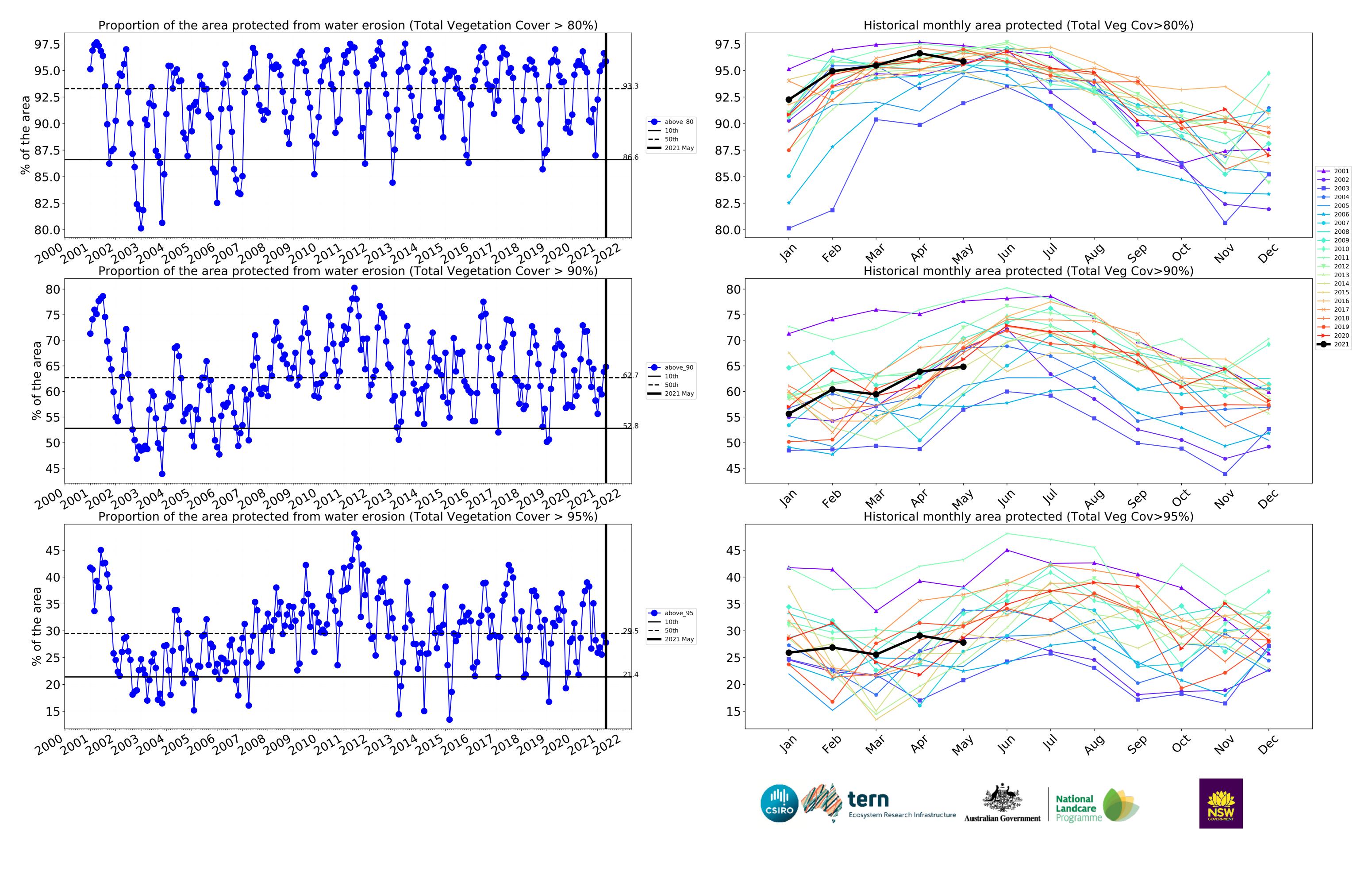








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Conservation and natural environments

Land use and forest cover **Proportion of each land class in area** 80 76.5% 70 60 Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) 50 ${\bf 1}$ Conservation and natural environments - Nonforest Area (%) Derived from 2 Conservation and natural environments - Woodland Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia 3 Conservation and natural environments - Non-woodland forest (2018) and Forests 30 of Australia (2018) 19.8% 20 10 2 3 Land use class **Total Vegetation Cover [%]** Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 99.0% 100 80 60 20 0.1% 31%-50% 71%-100% 0-30% 51%-70% **Total Vegetation Cover class** % Area protected from water erosion (>70%) % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%) Area not protected 1.0% of Area not protected 0.0% of region (1,924 ha) region (0 ha) Area Area protected 100.0% of region (192,425 protected 99.0% of region (190,500 ha) ha) **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%] Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** - 20 Anomaly show how many percetage points each pixel is from Deciles show where the pixel value lies in the - 10 the mean. That record, from highest to lowest, for that month. That is, red pixels are is, red pixels are about 20% lower than the mean of that in the lowest 10% of records for that month of the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019. pixel. The mean is only for the month of the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019. -10 **-**20 National

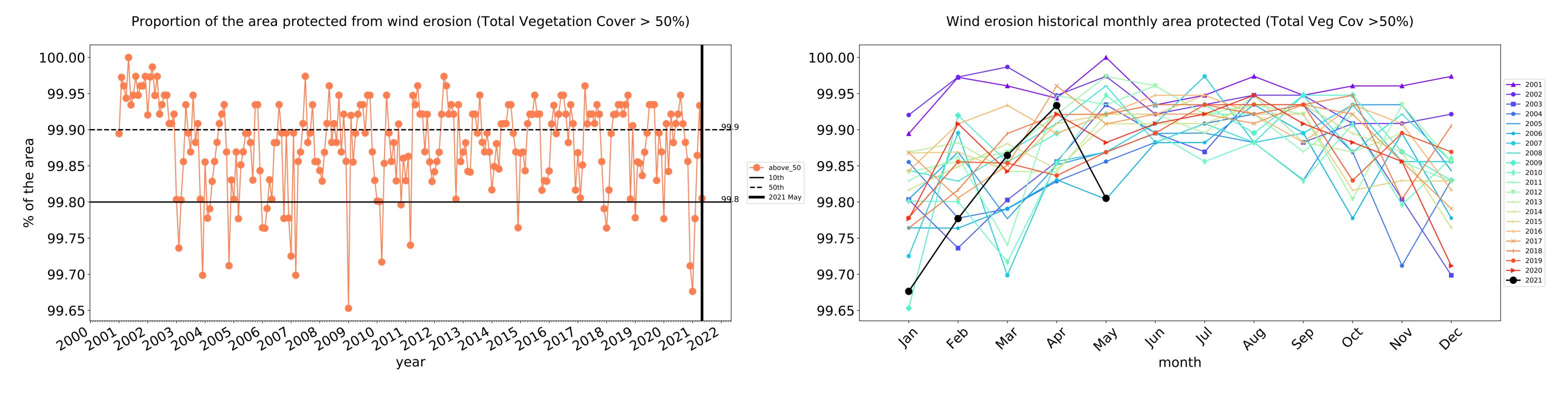
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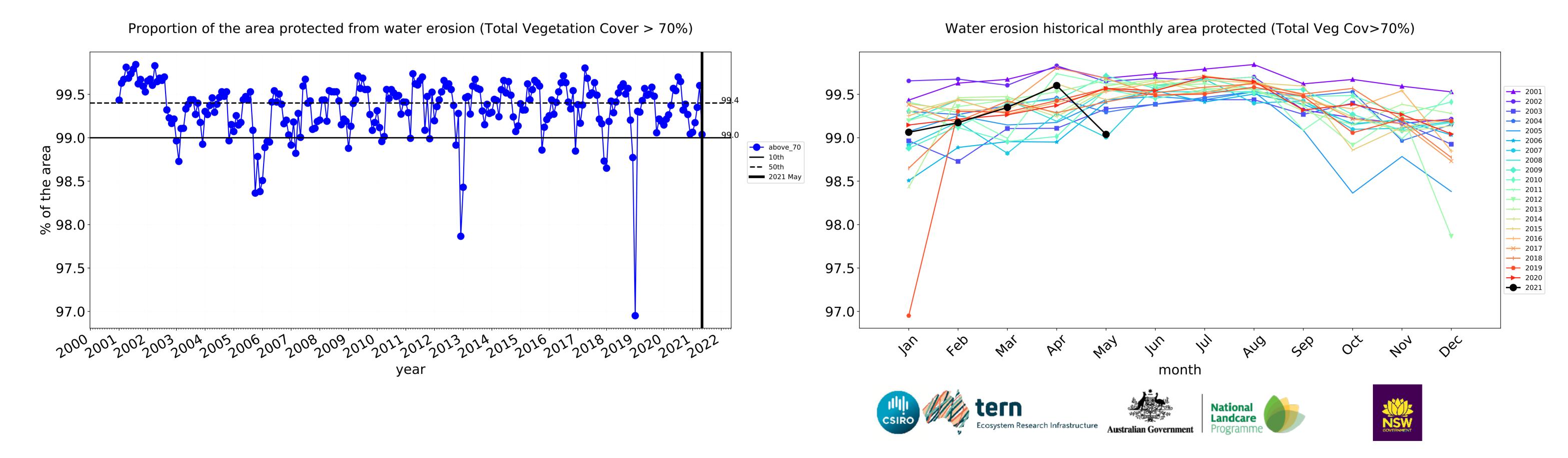
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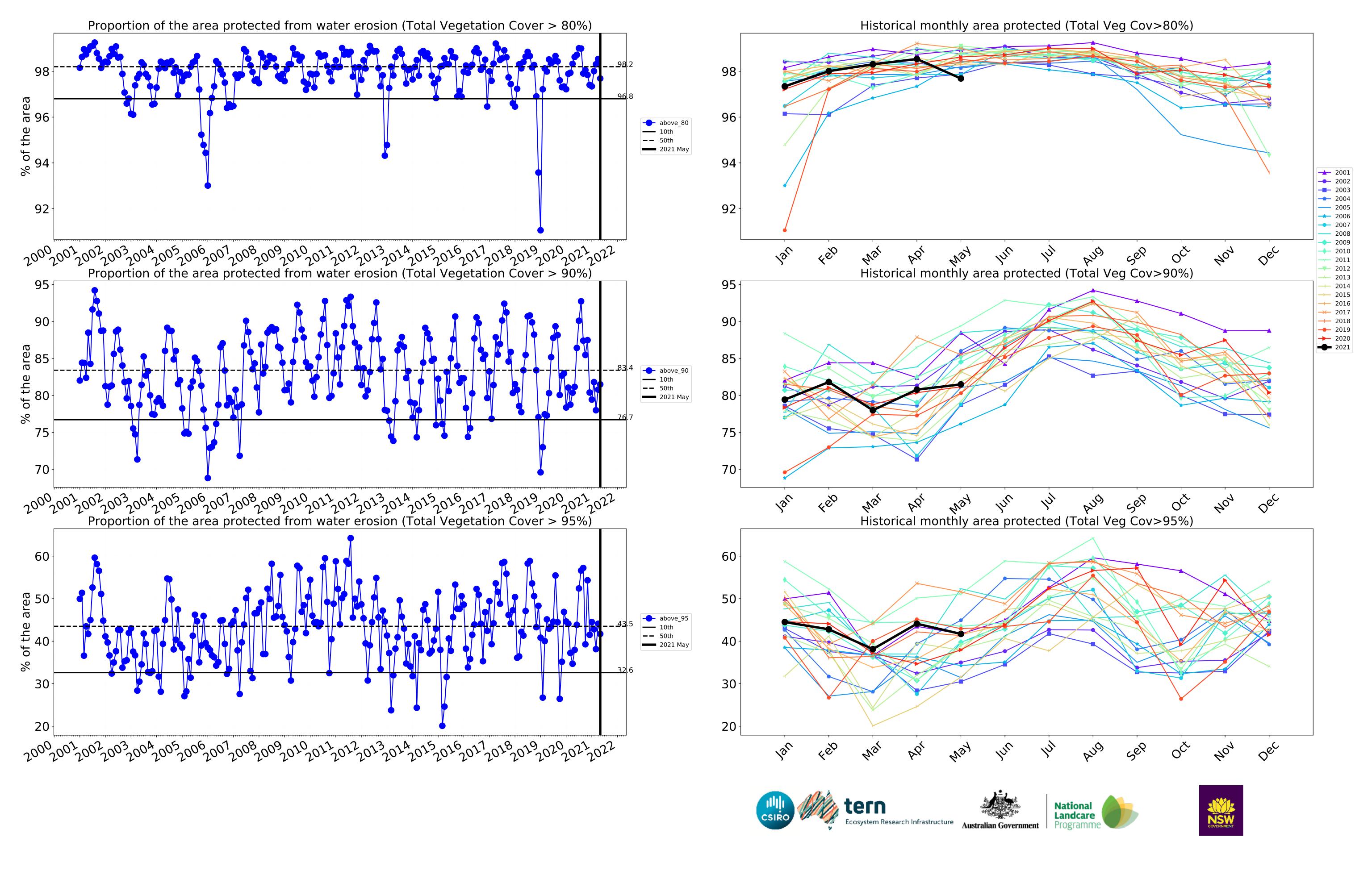
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Conservation and natural environments non forest

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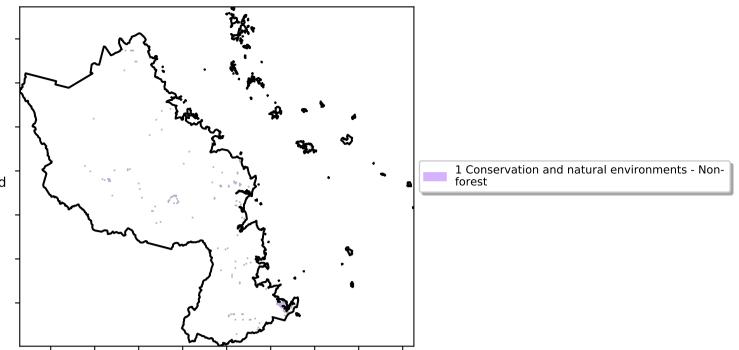
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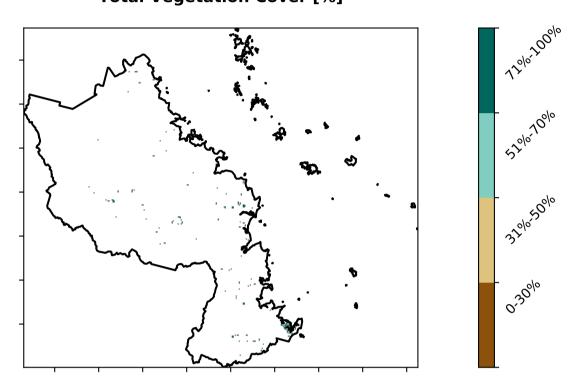
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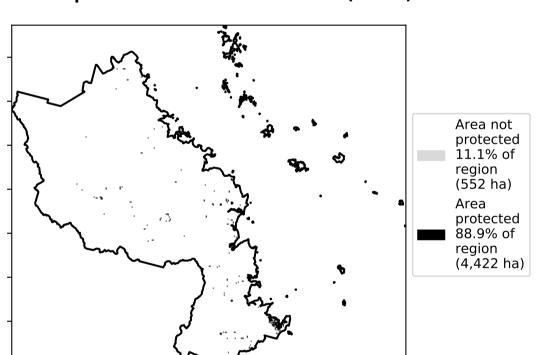
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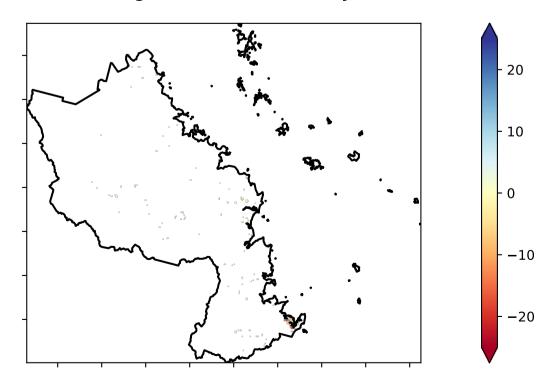
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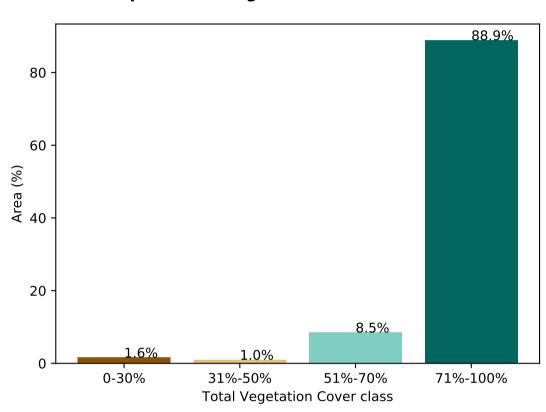


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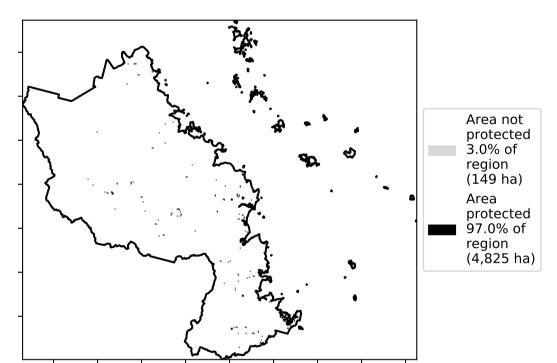


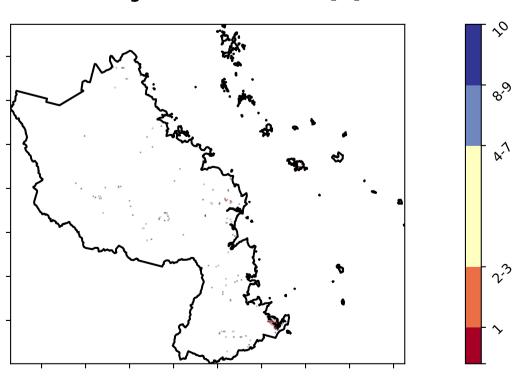
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









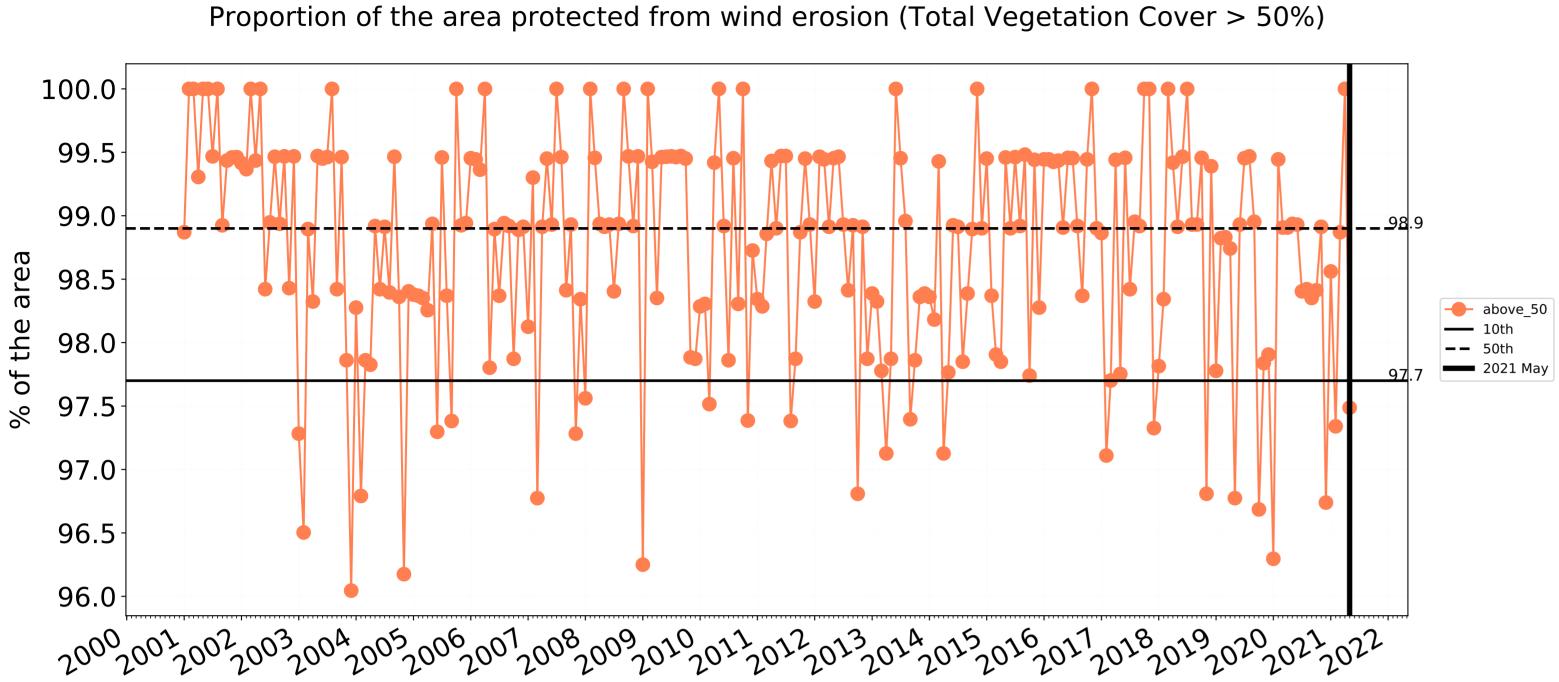


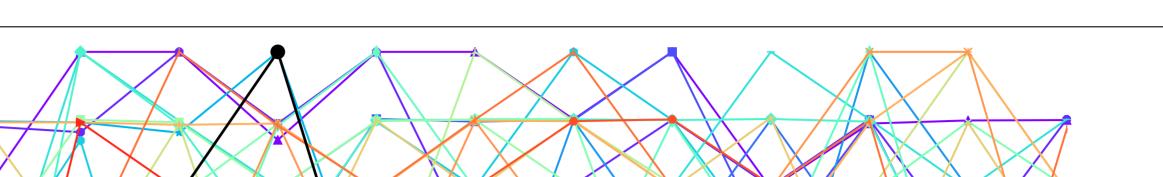




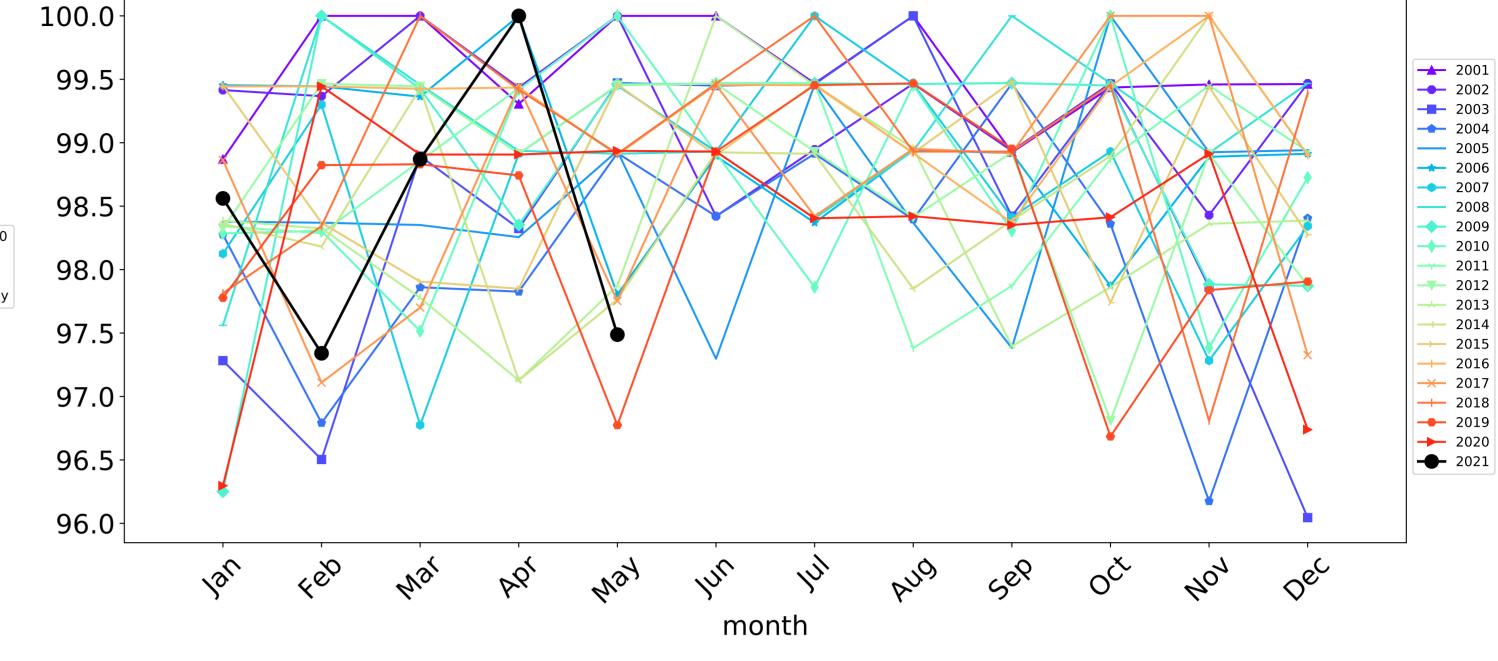


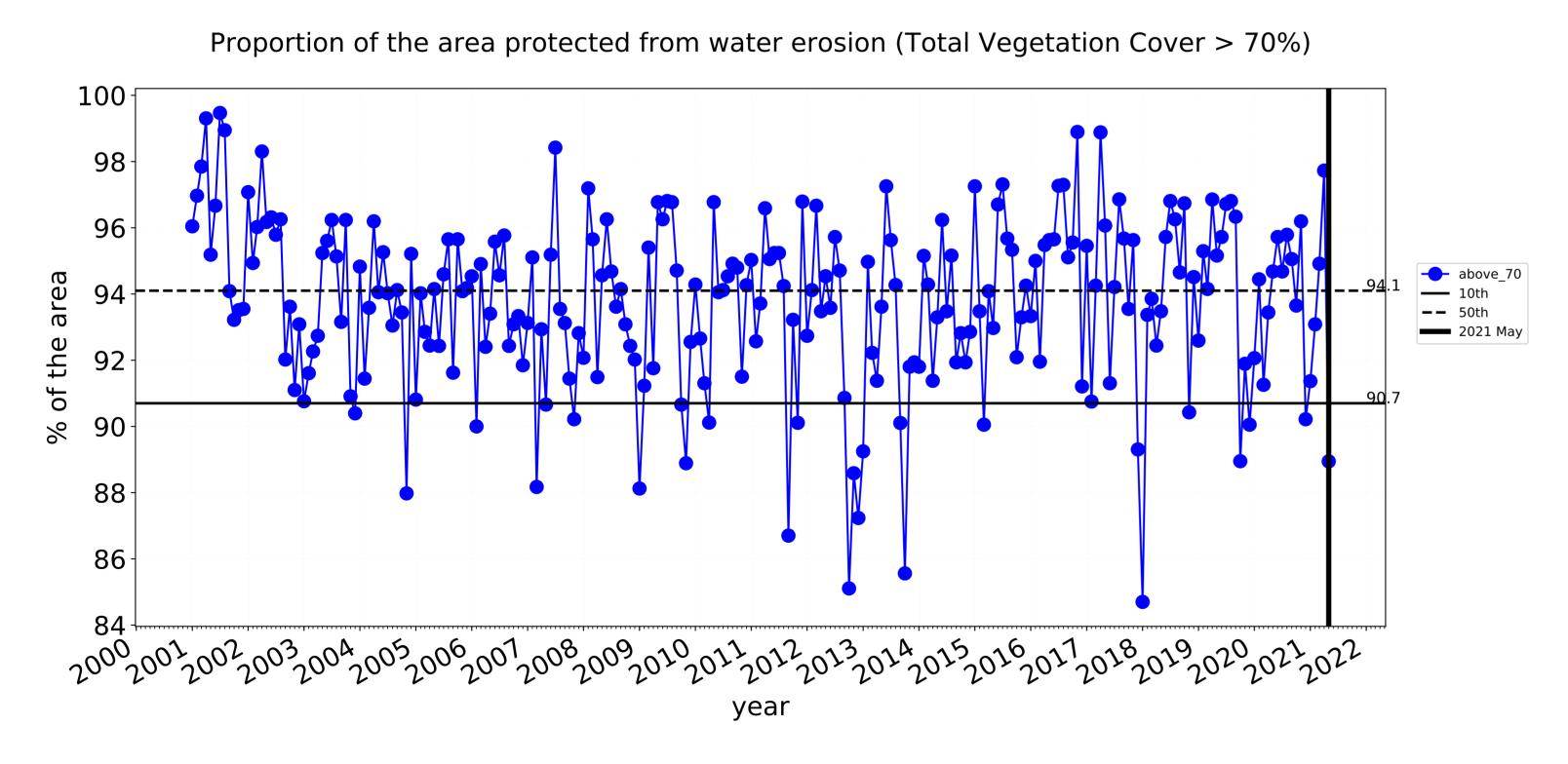
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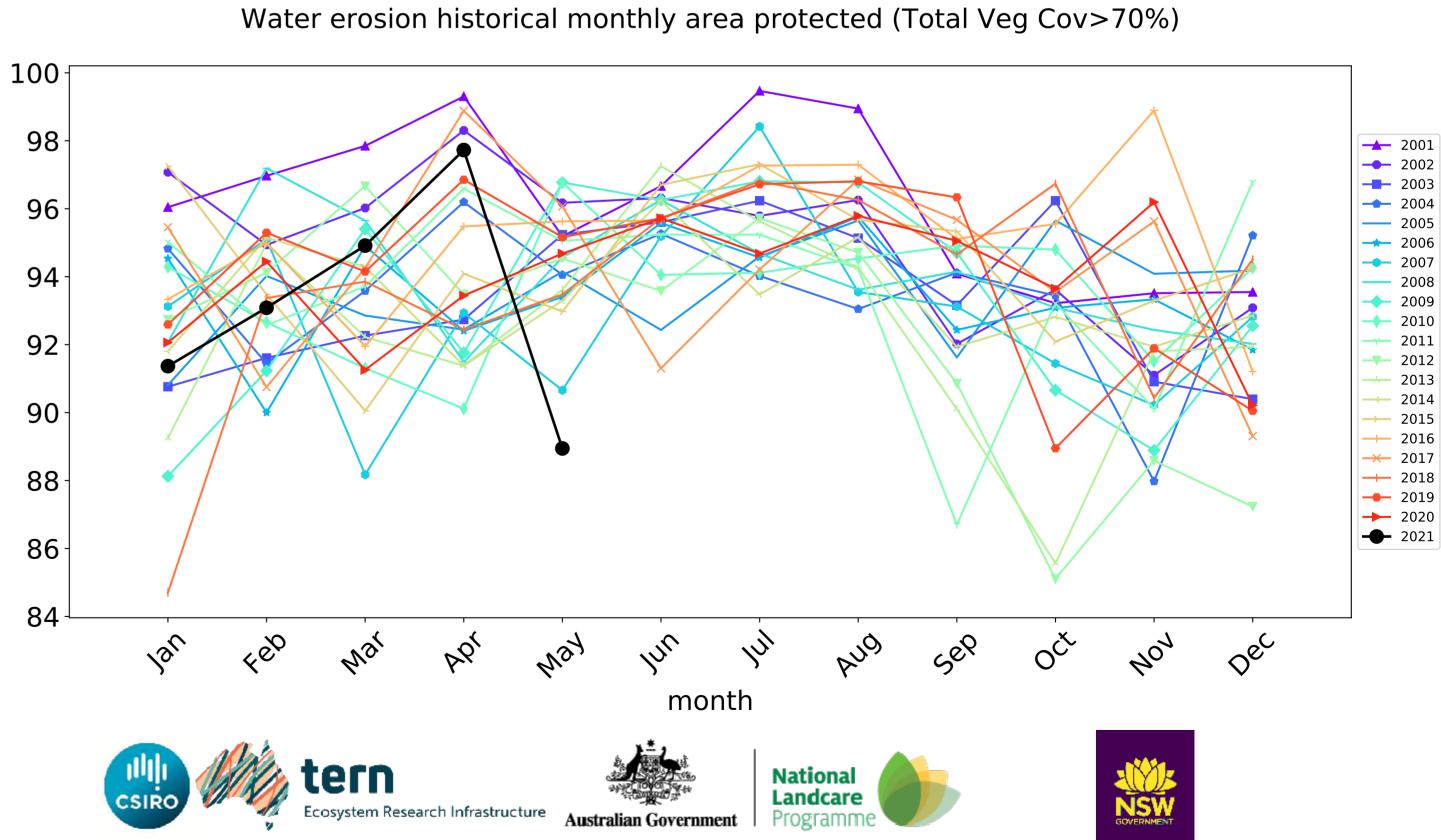


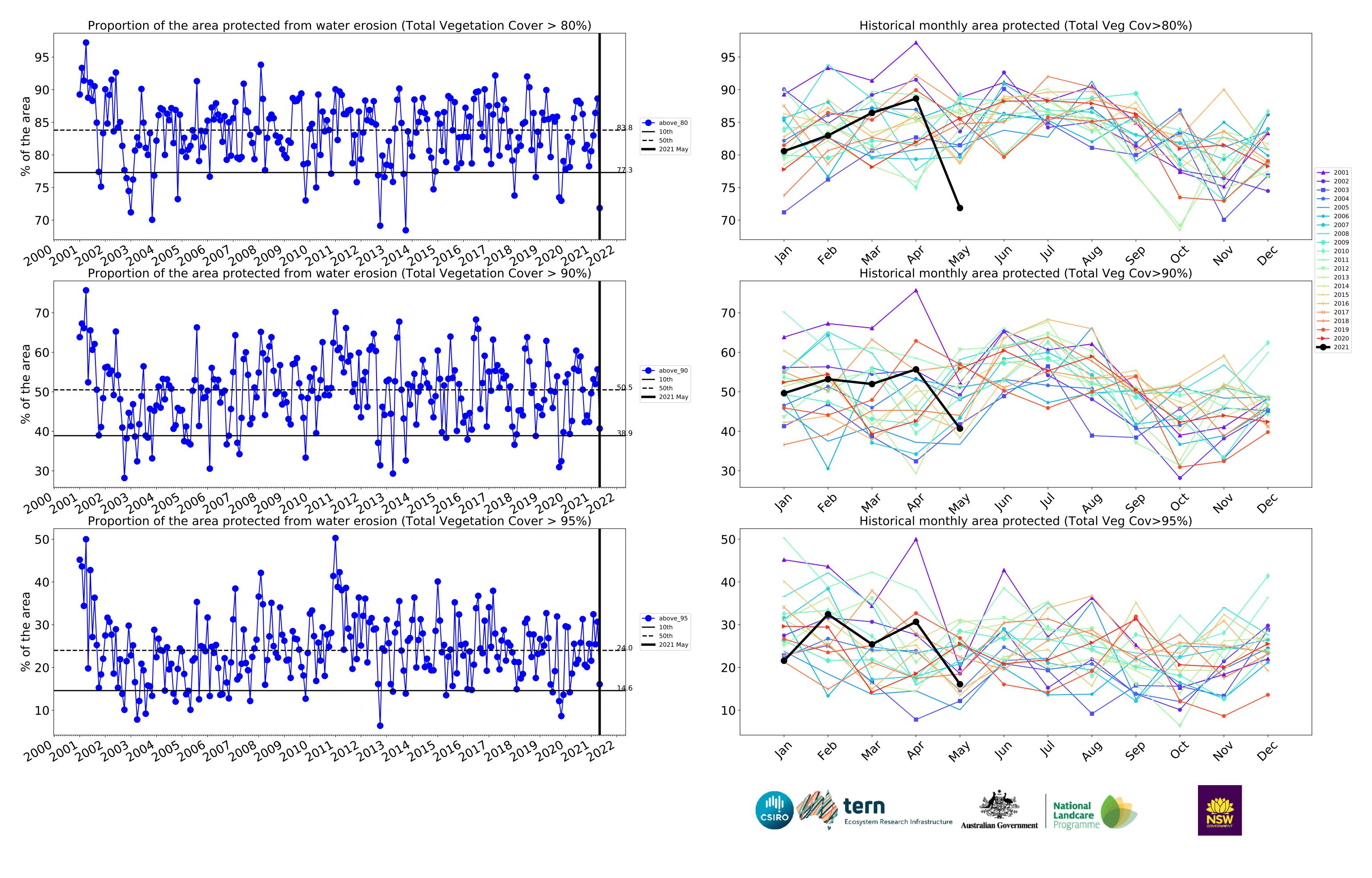


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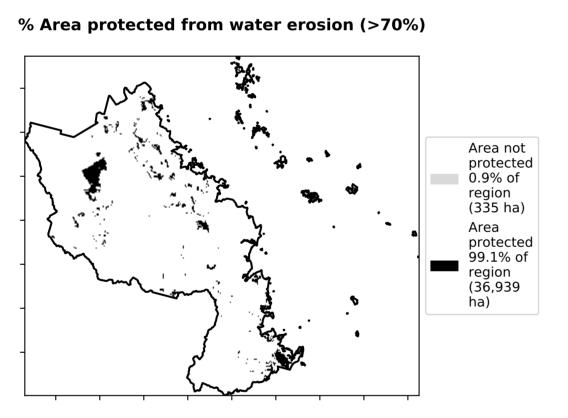


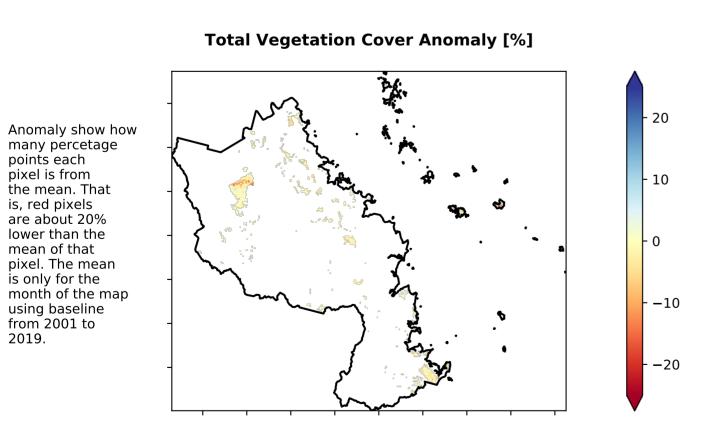


Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest

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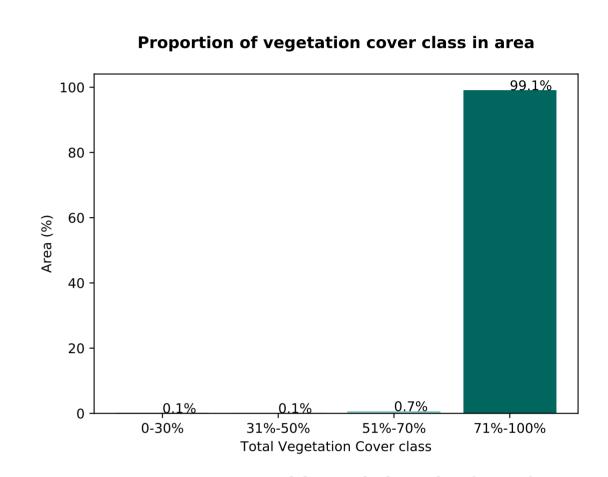


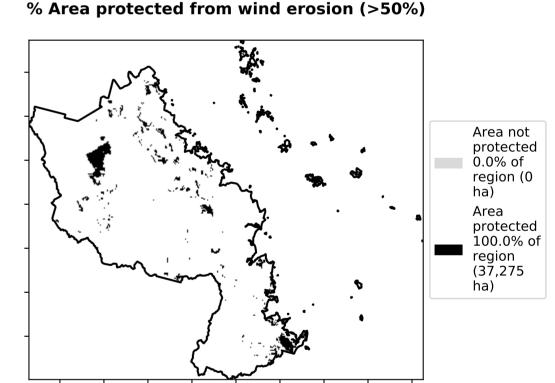


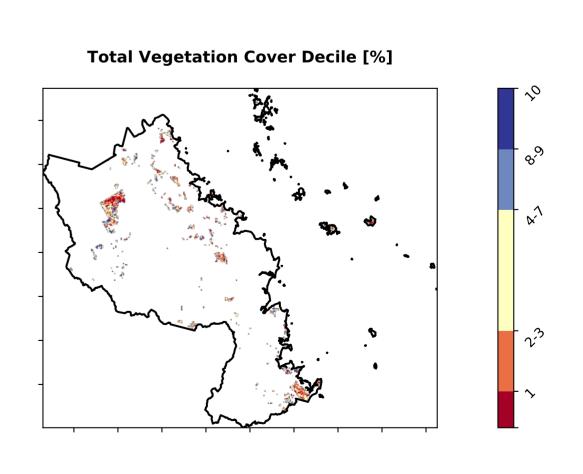
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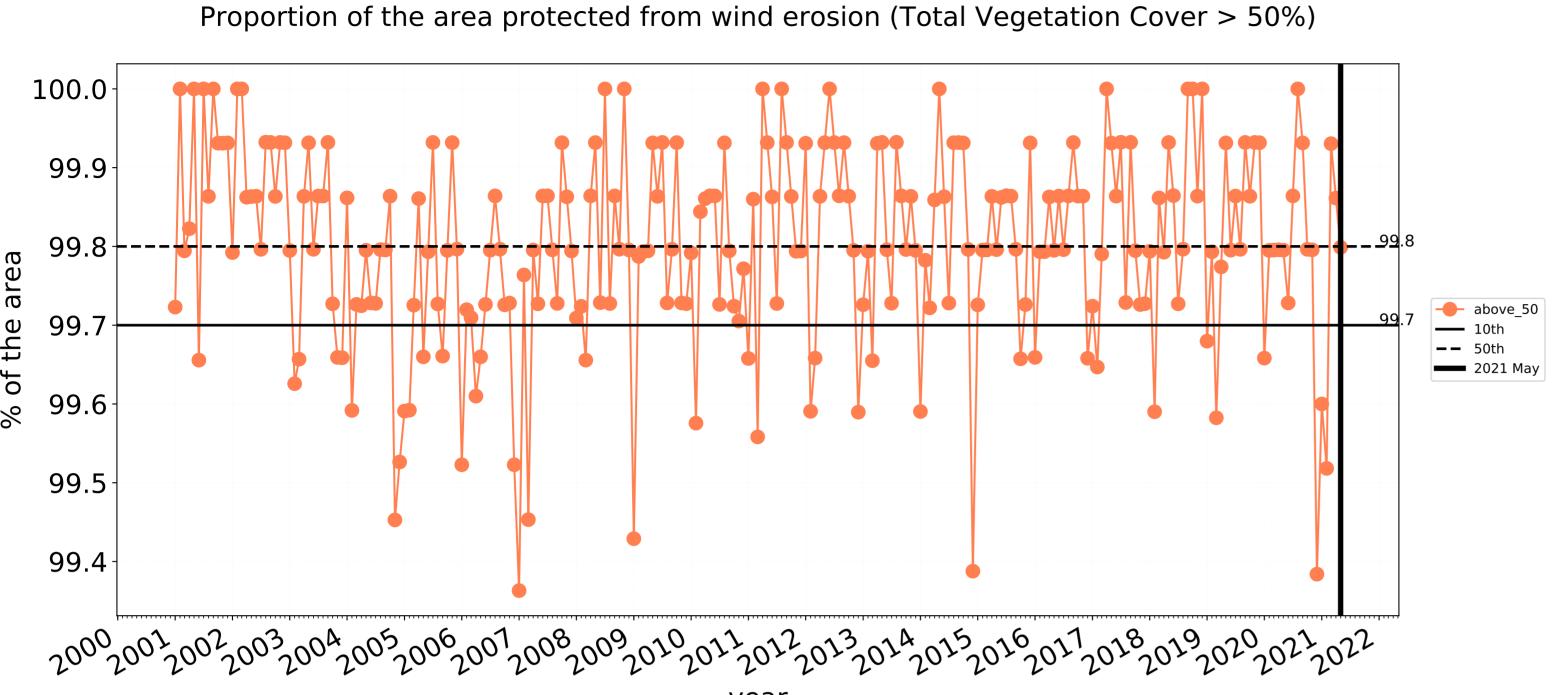


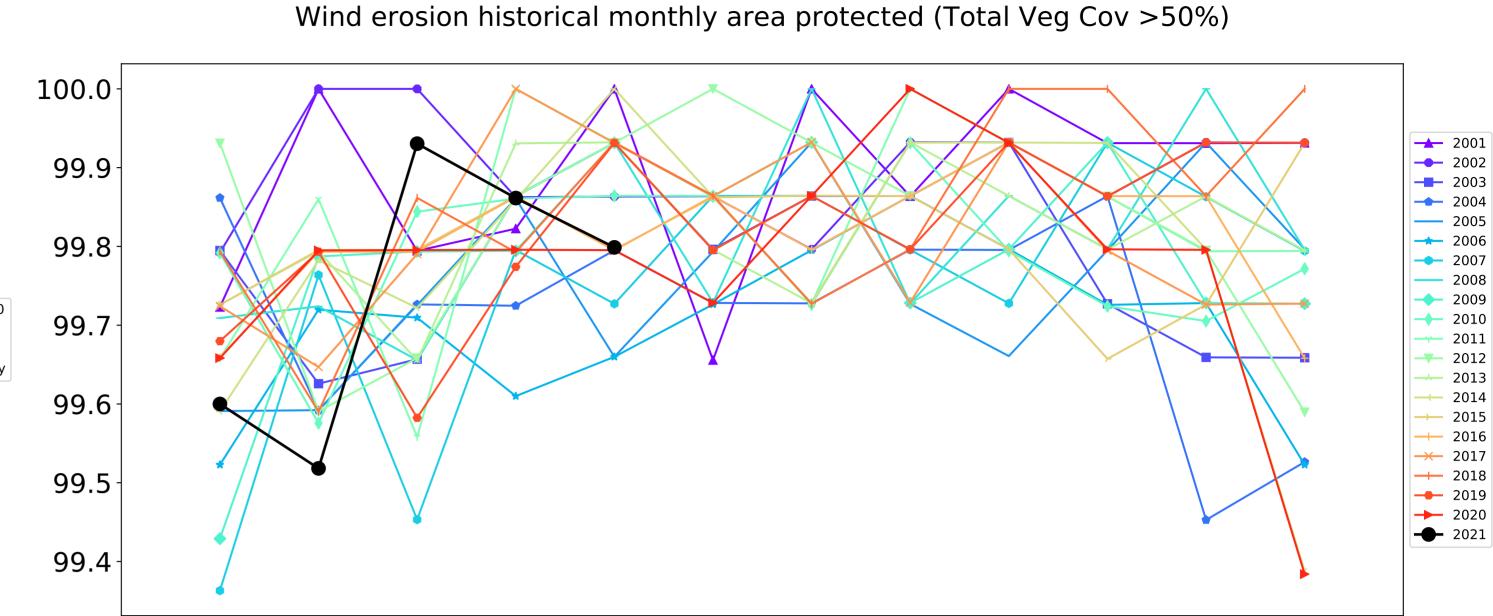




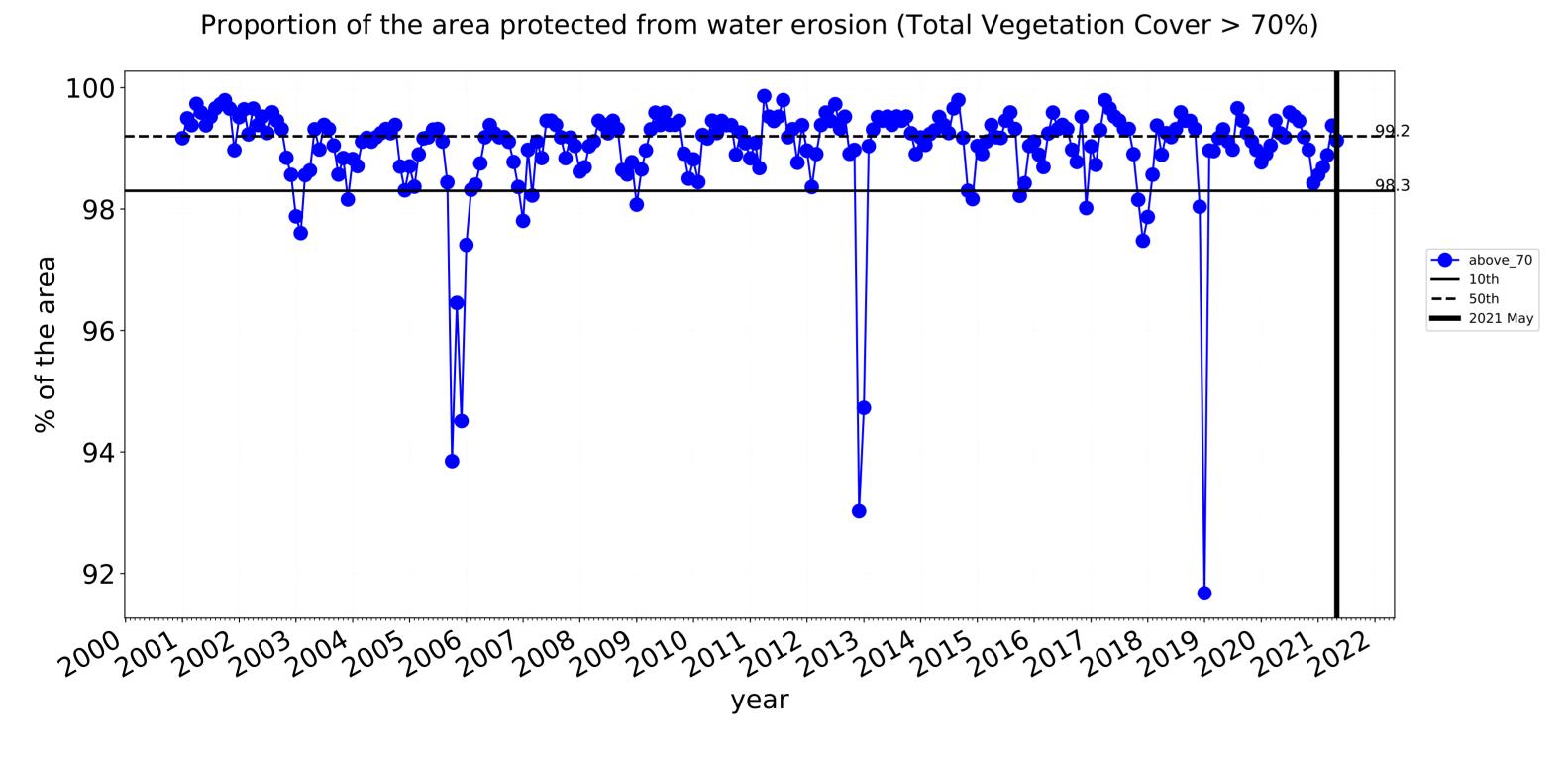


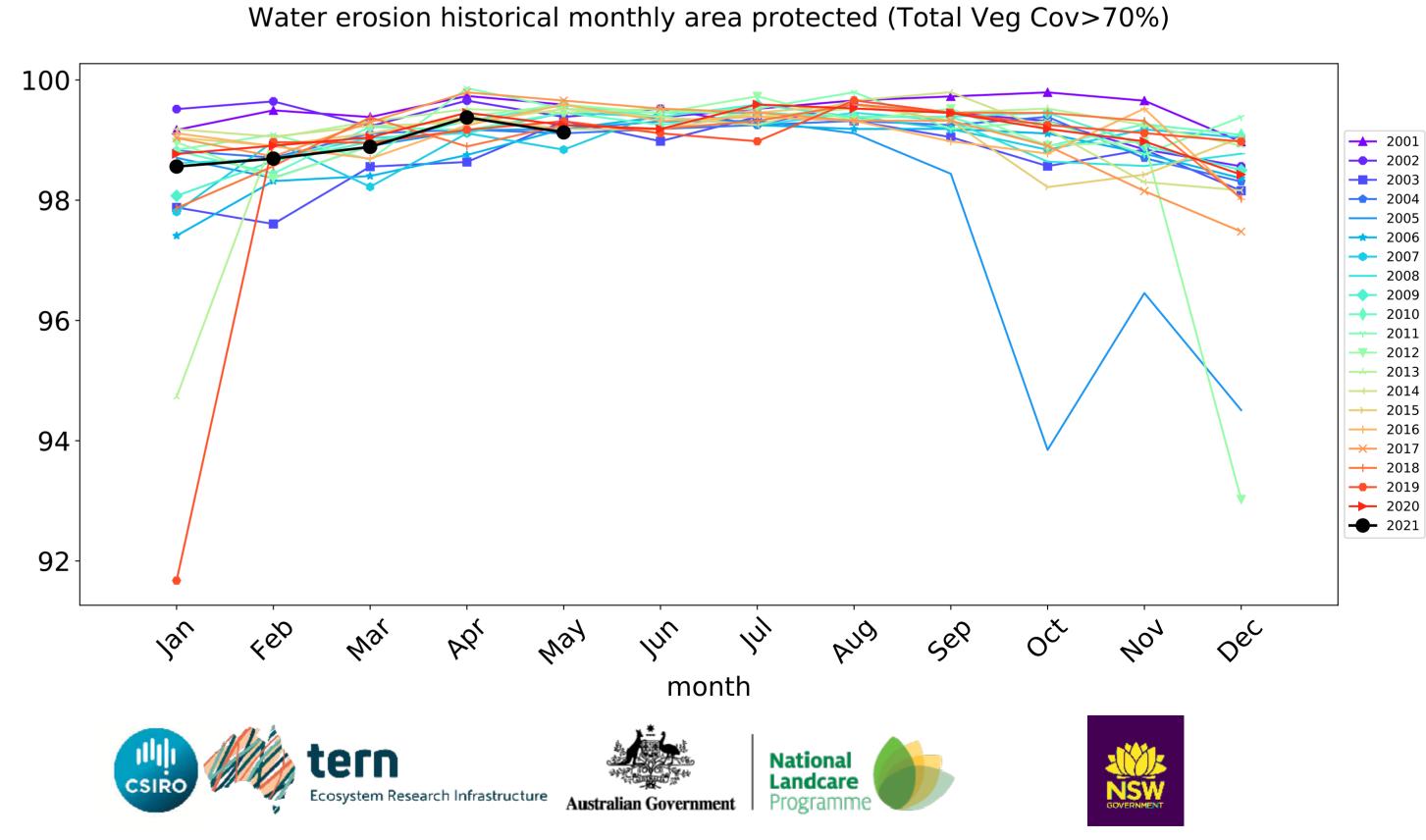


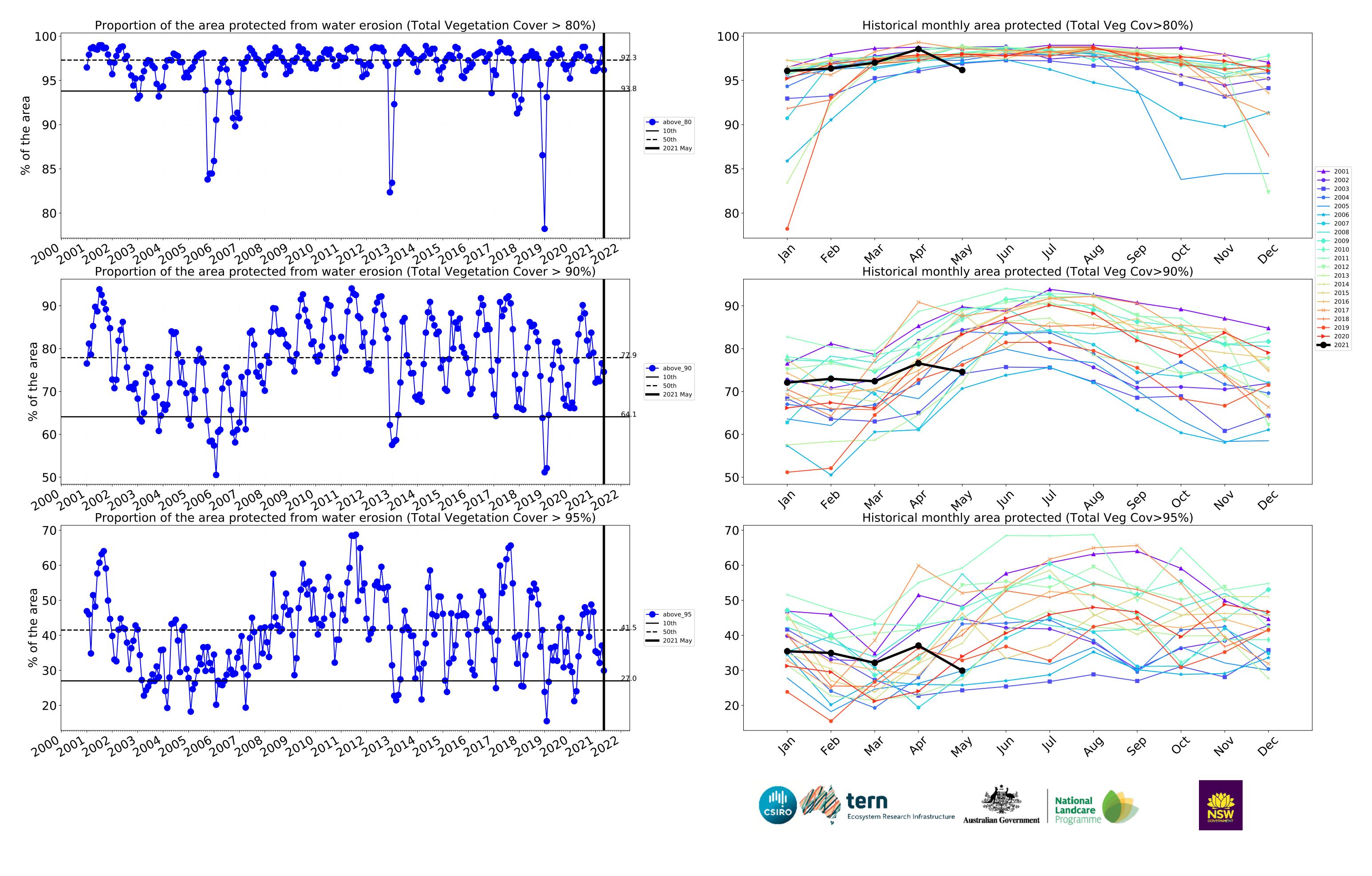




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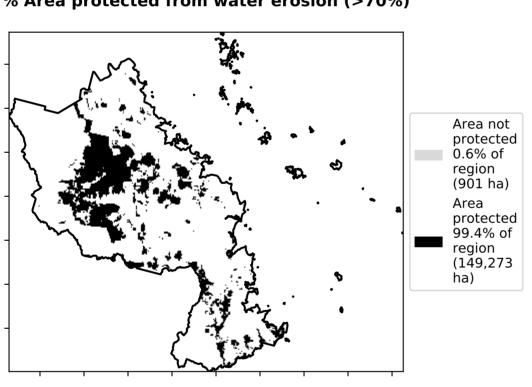


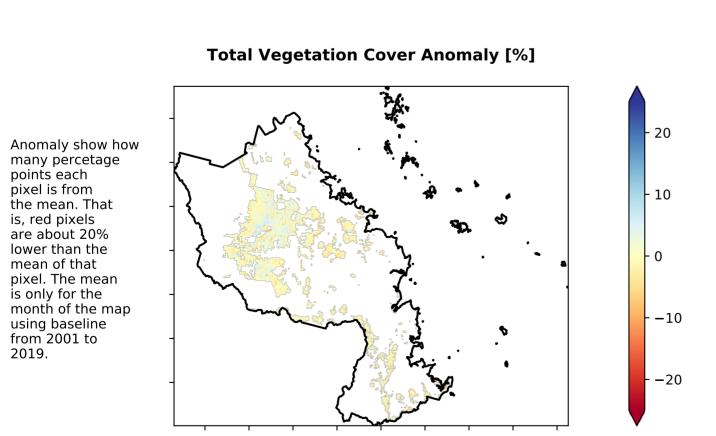




Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)

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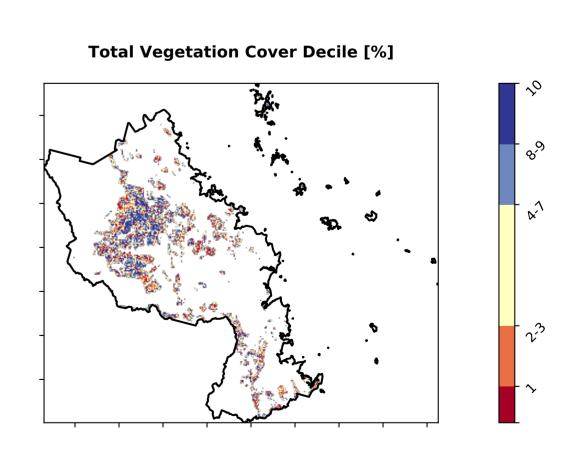


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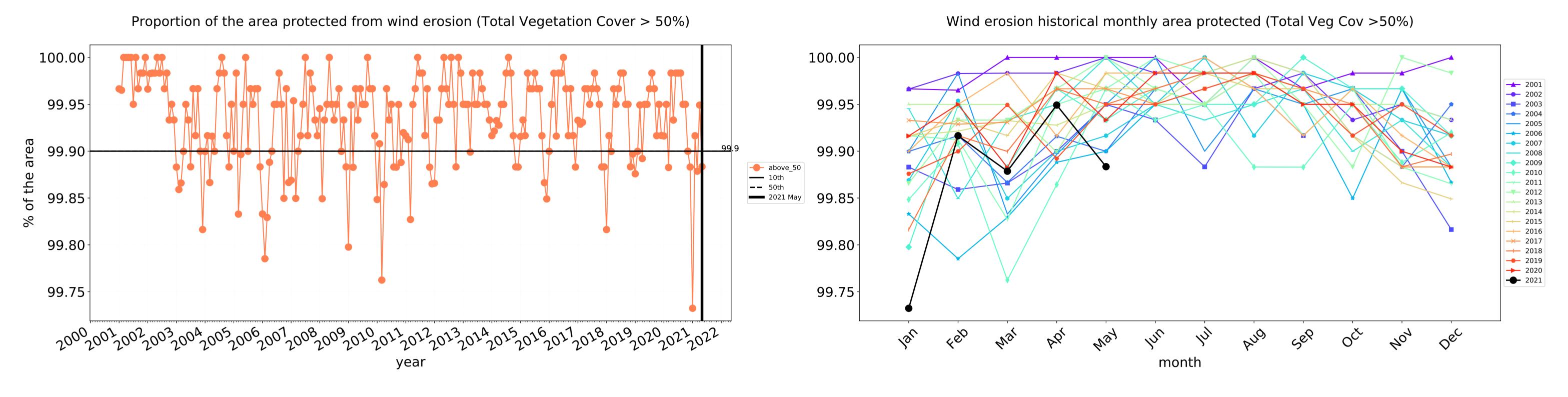
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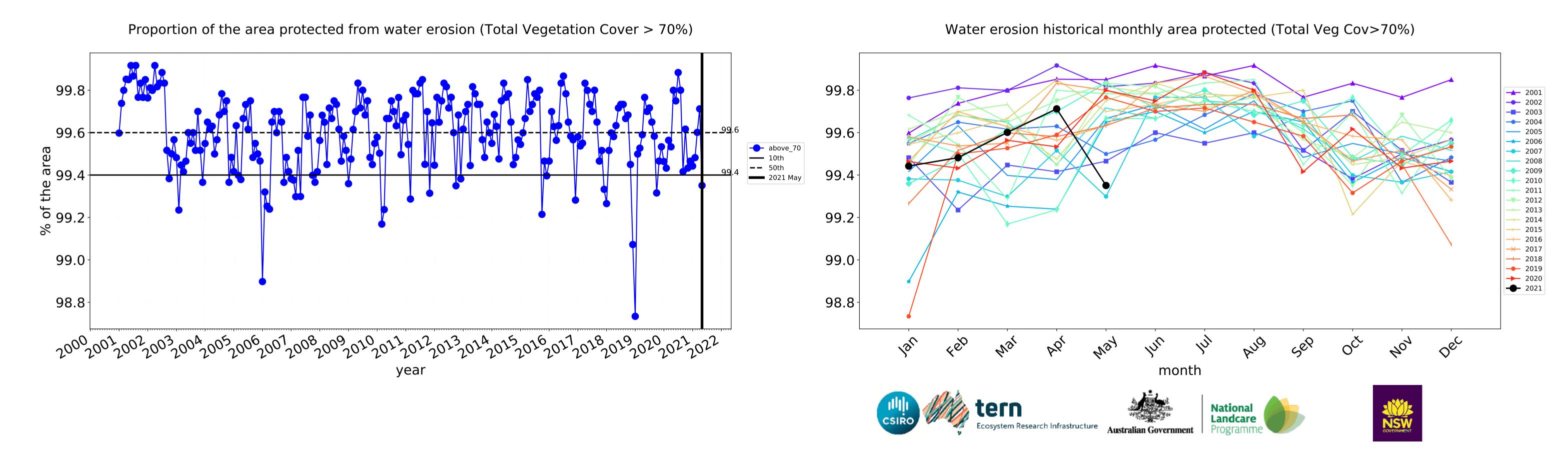
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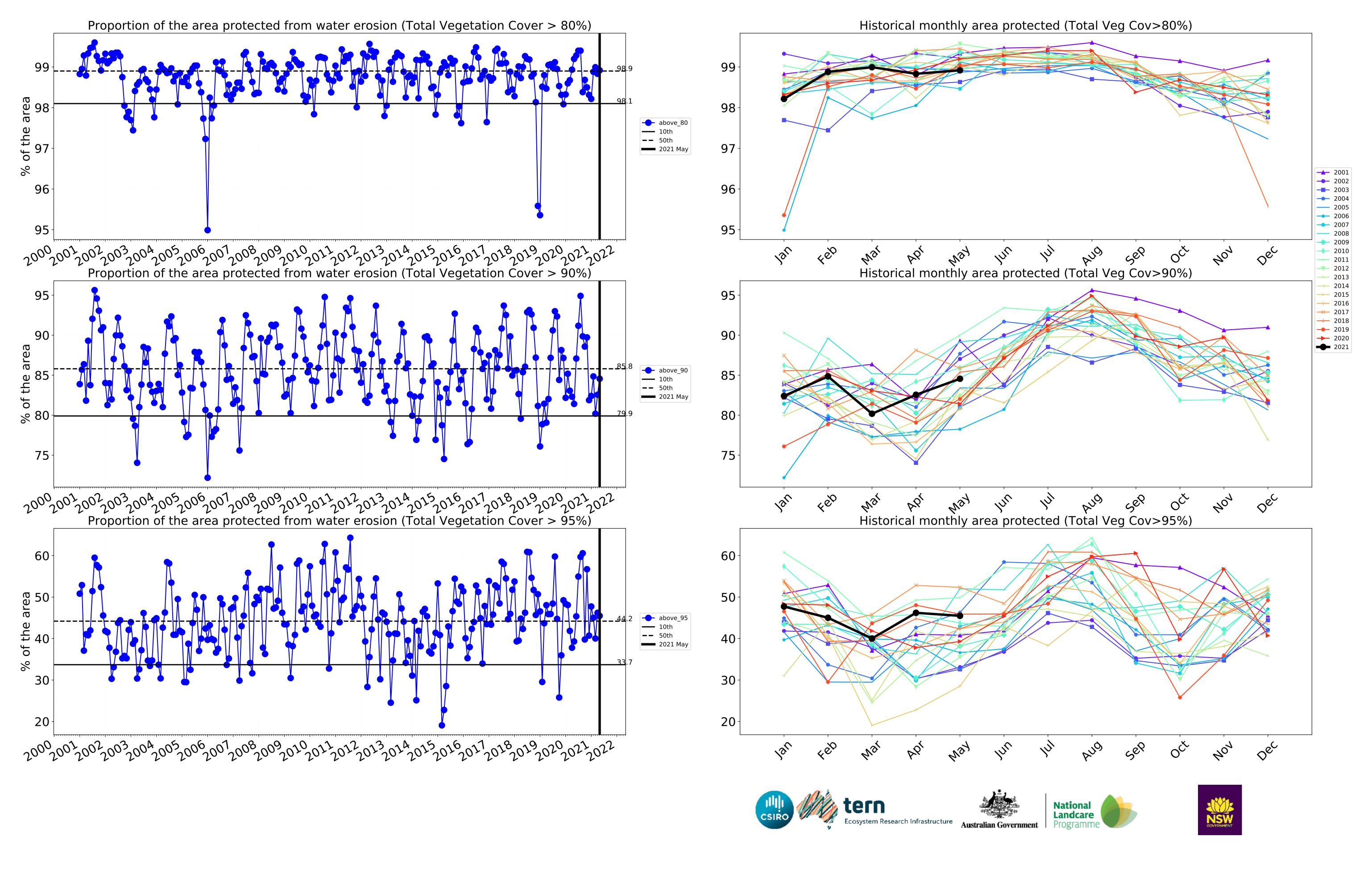




Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries





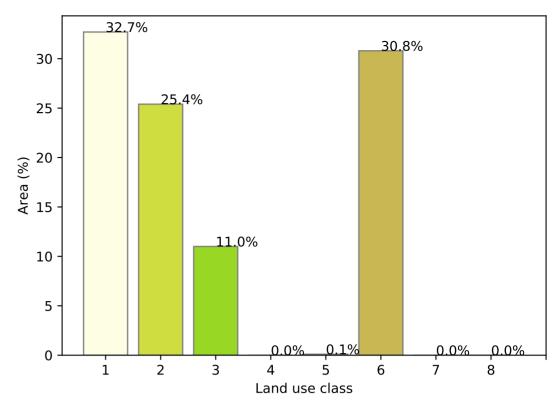


Agriculture

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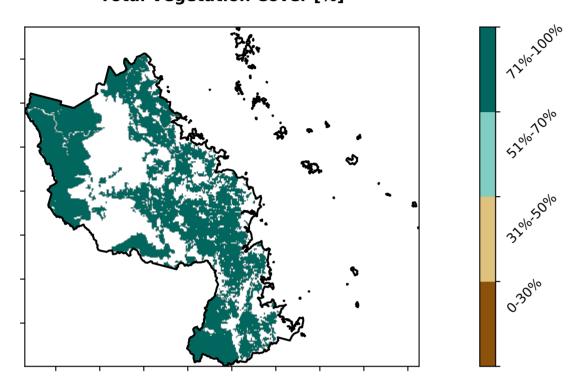
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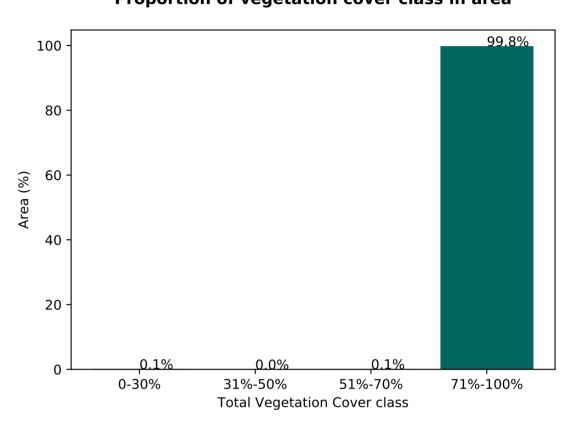
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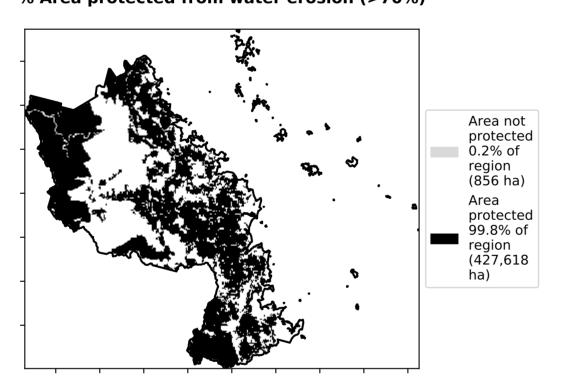
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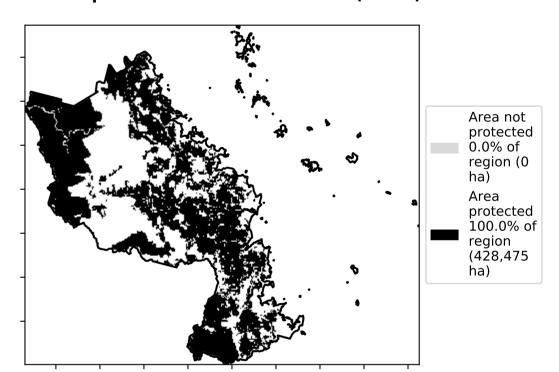
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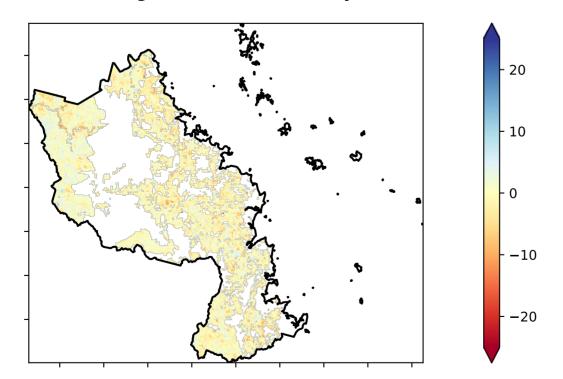
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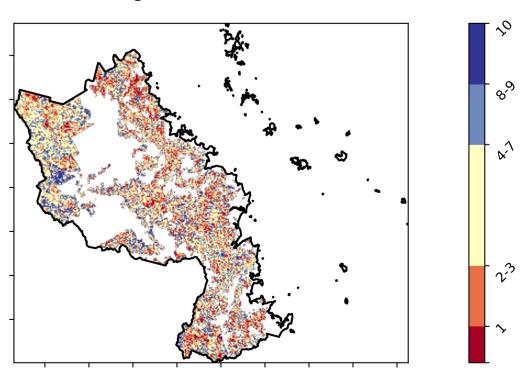
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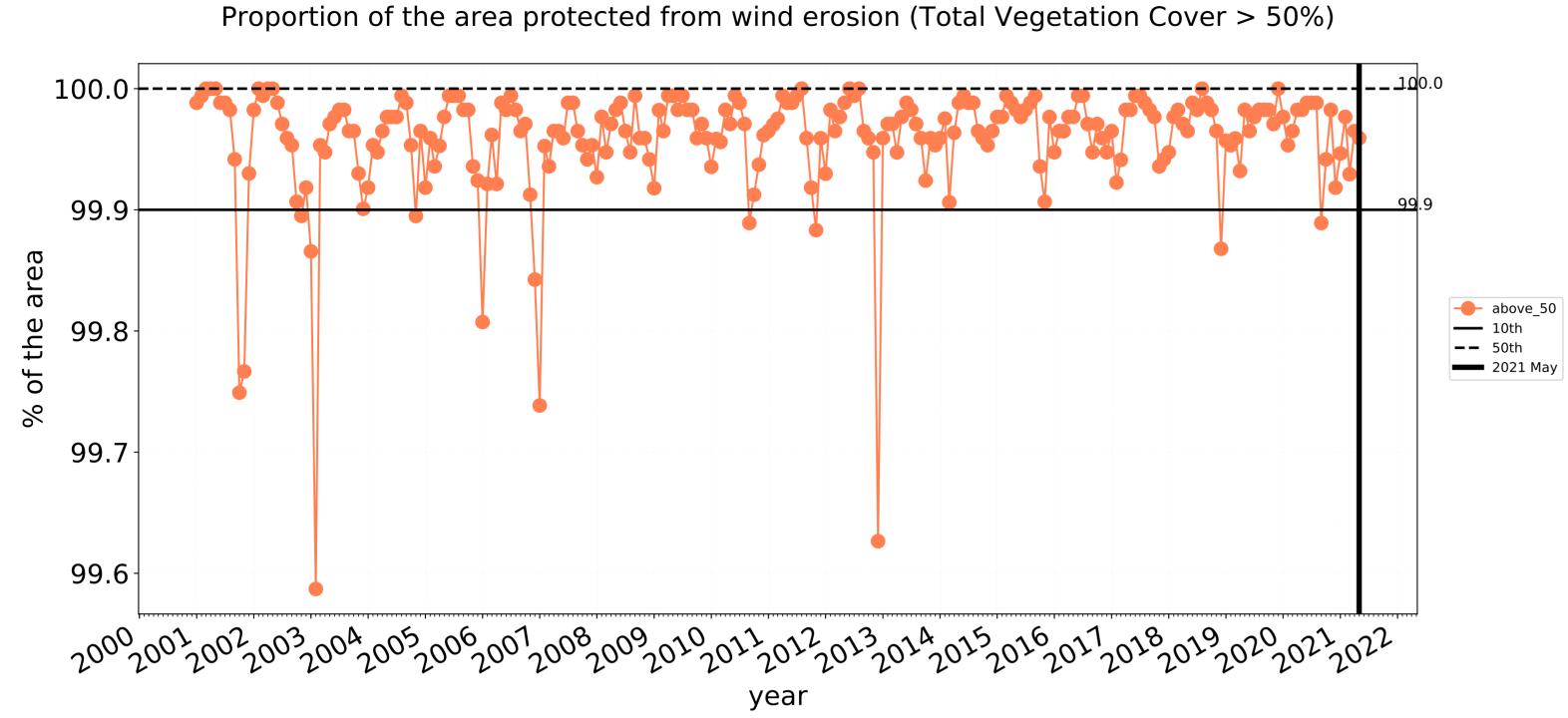


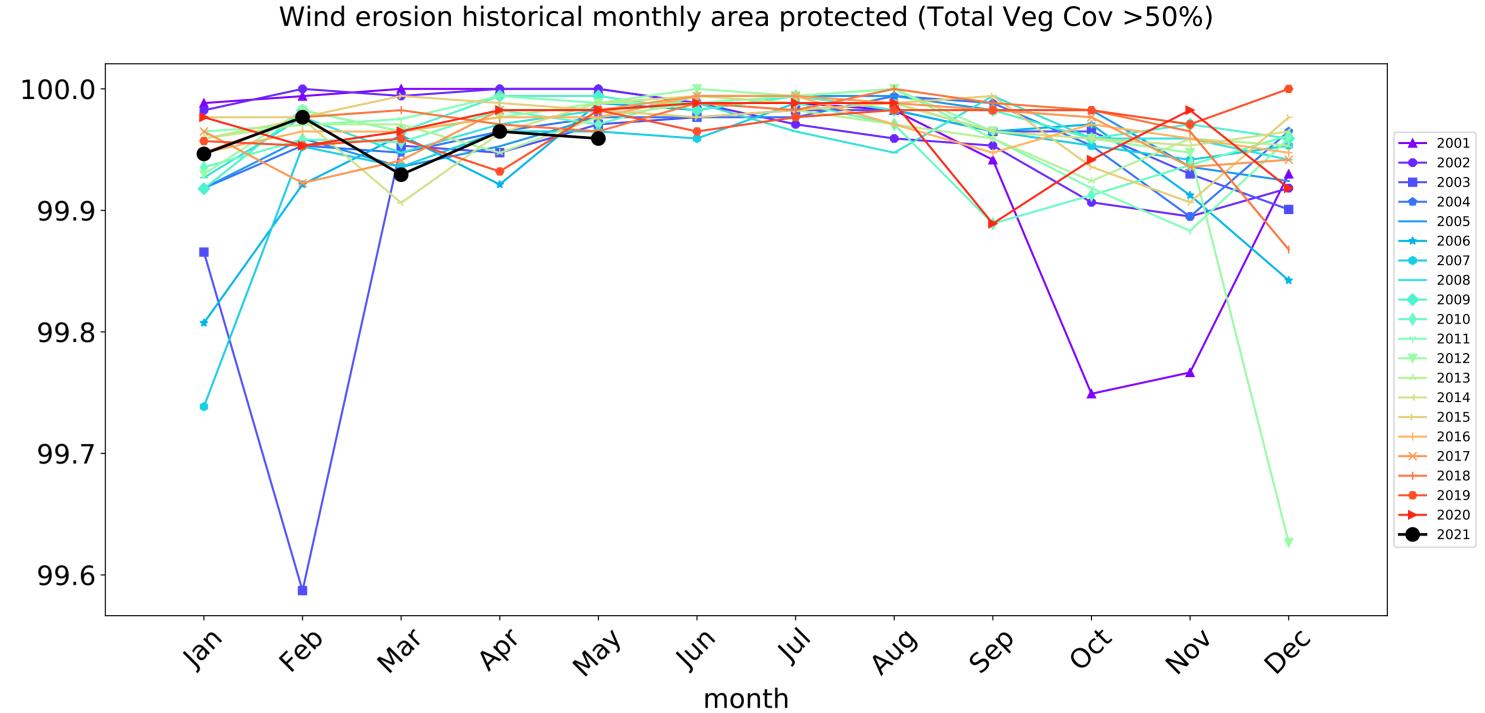


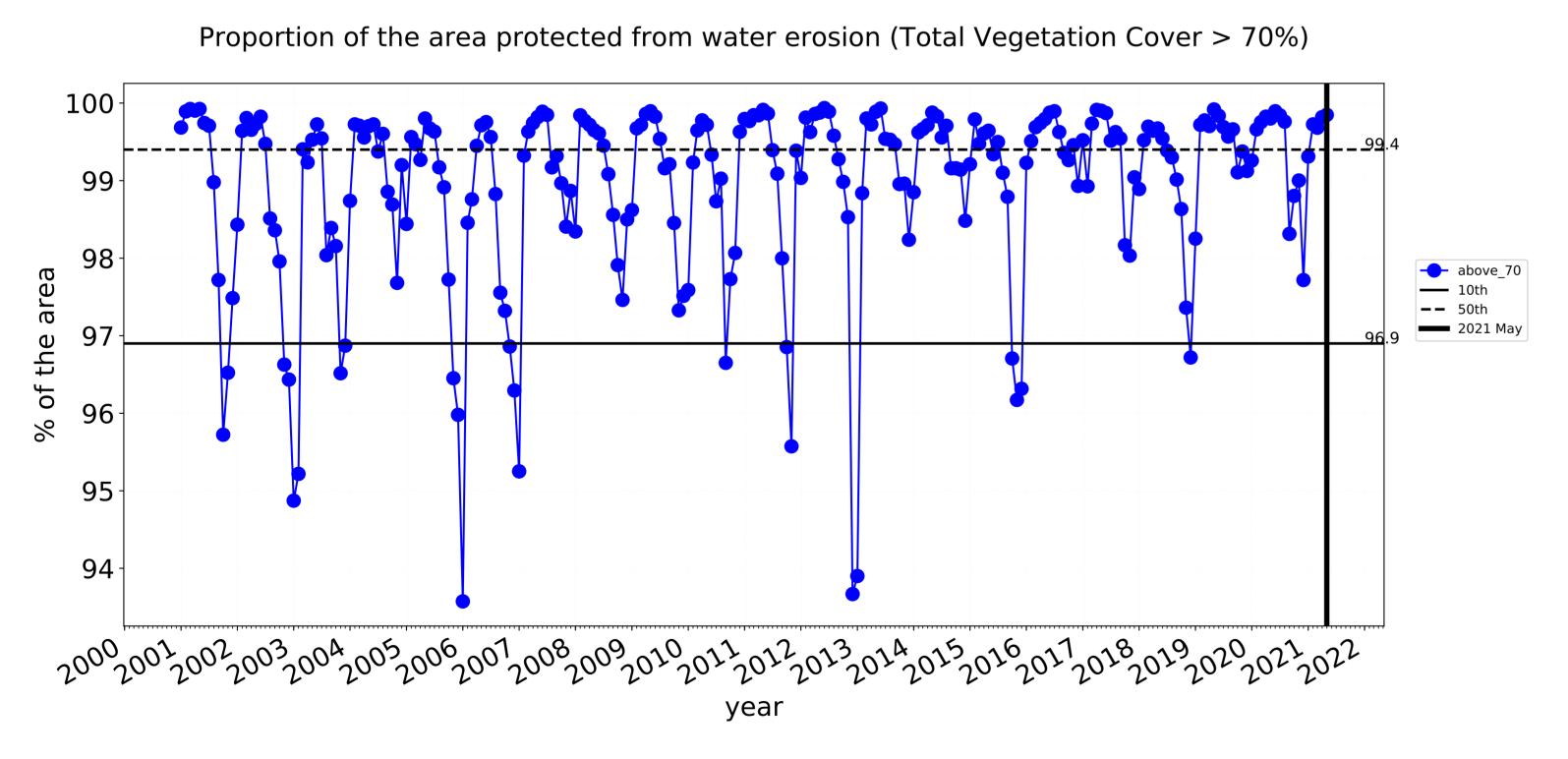


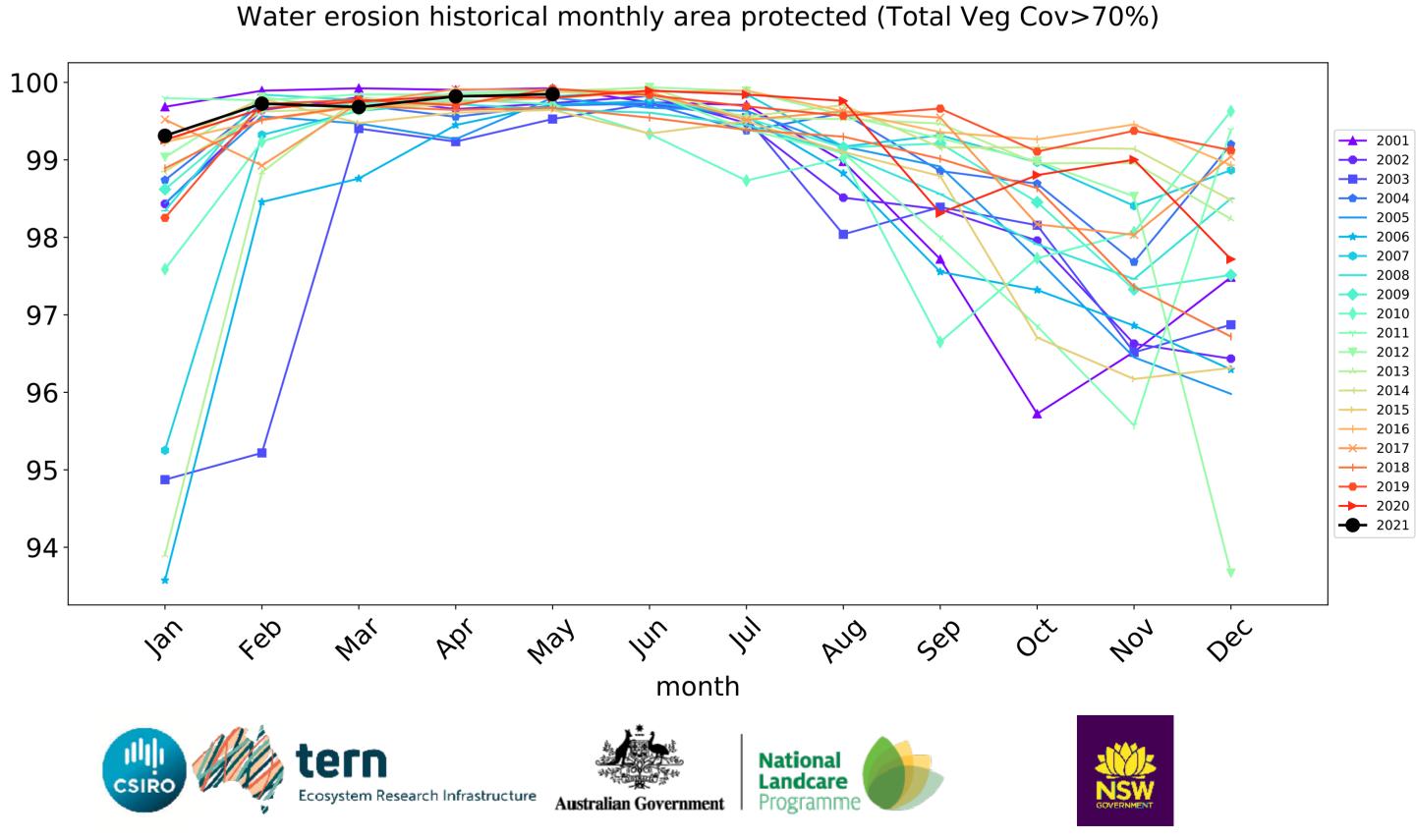


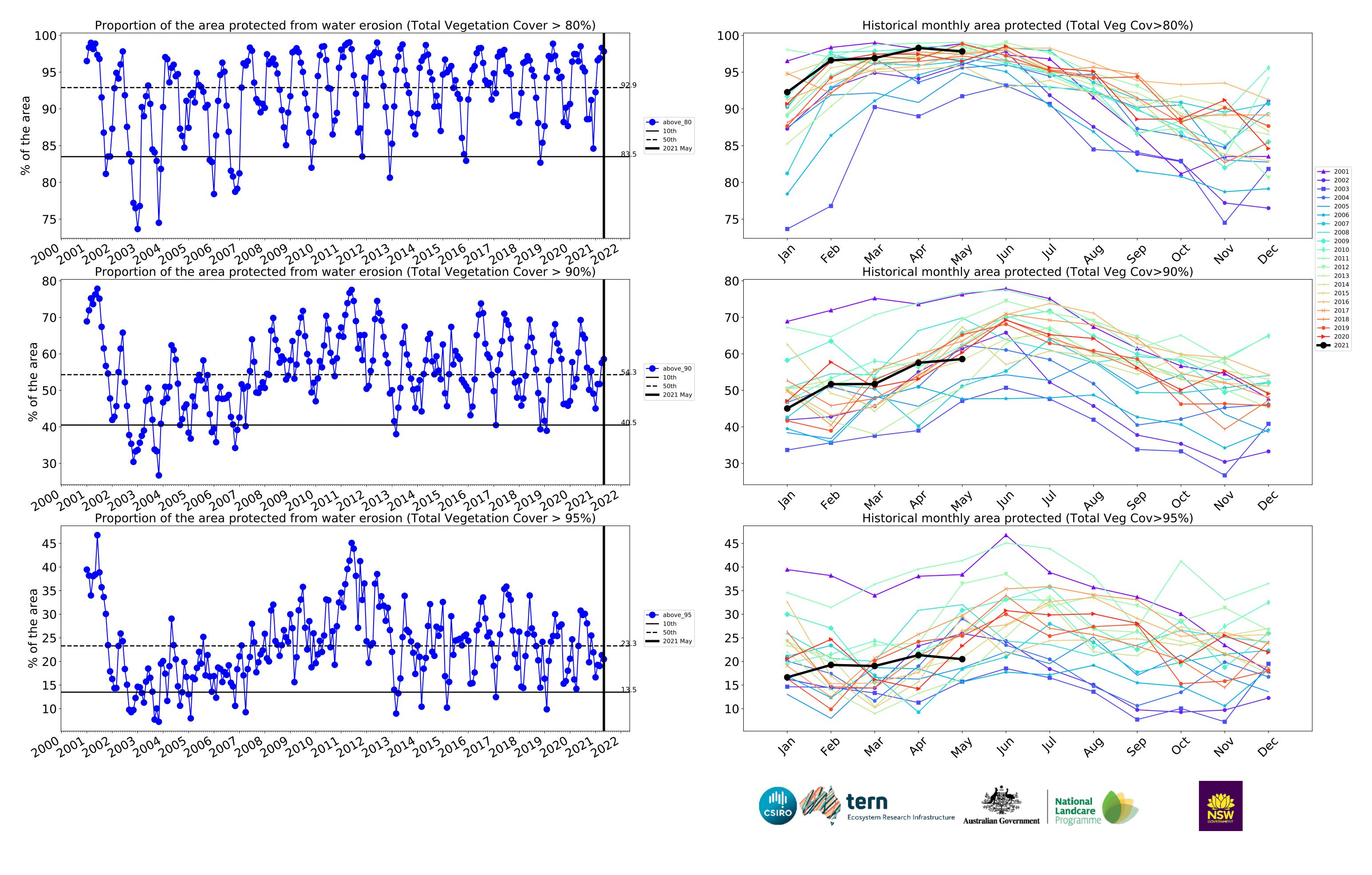
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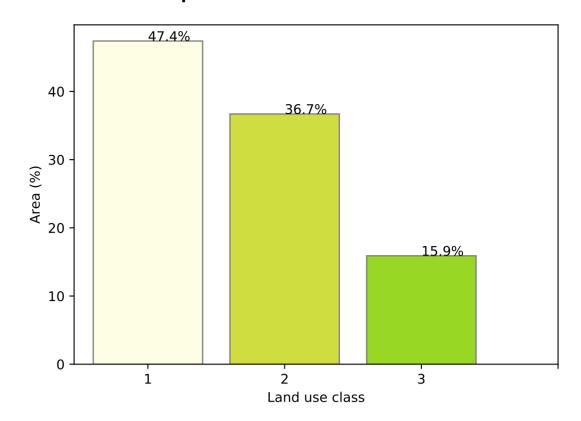


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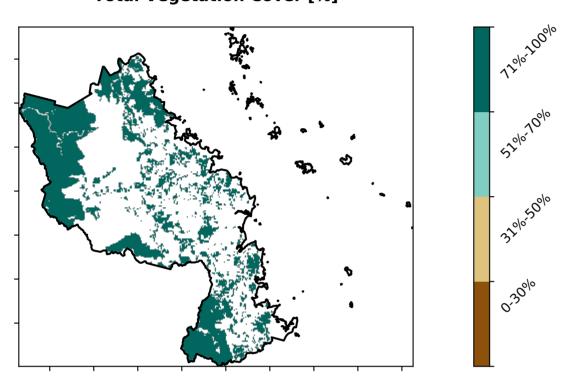
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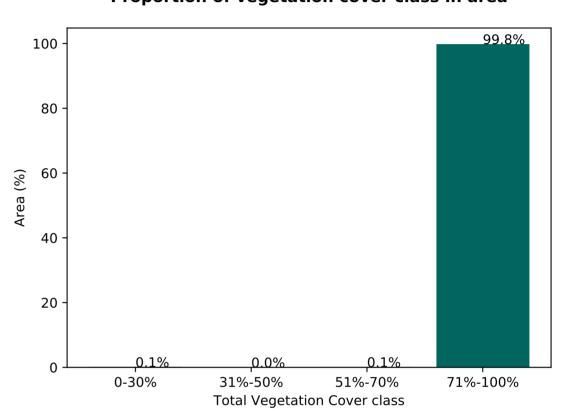
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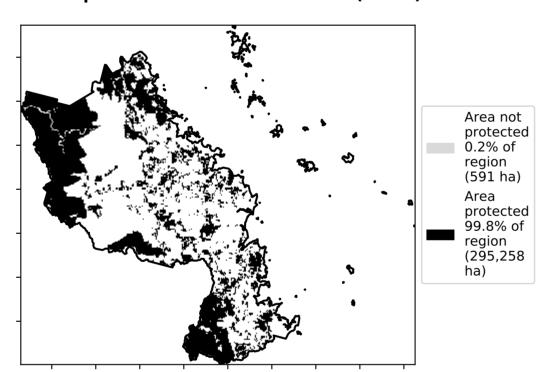
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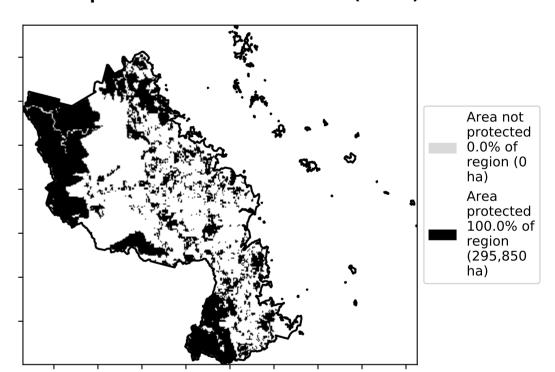
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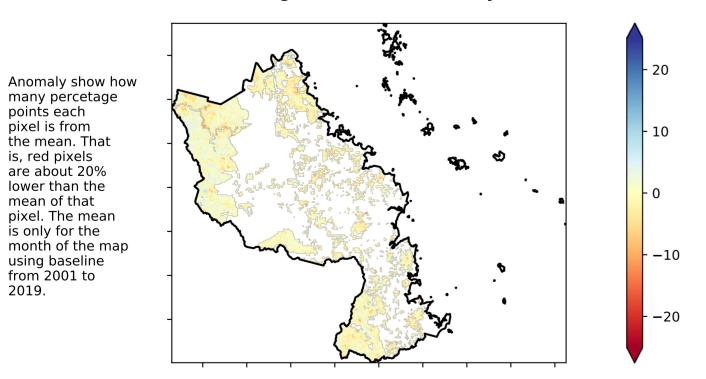
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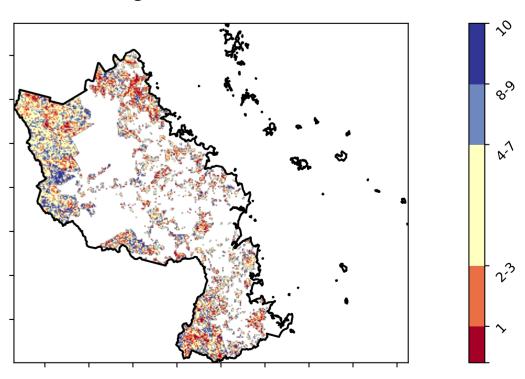


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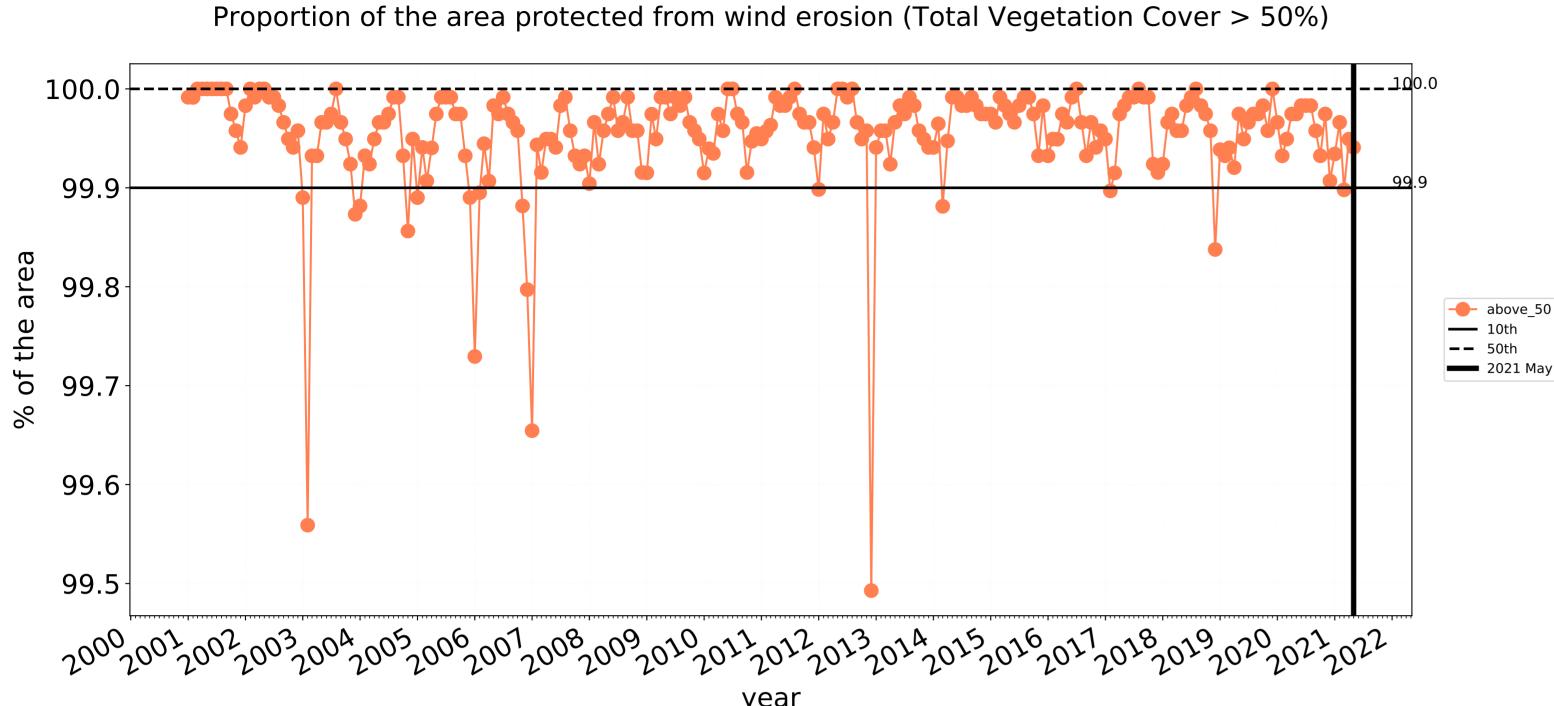


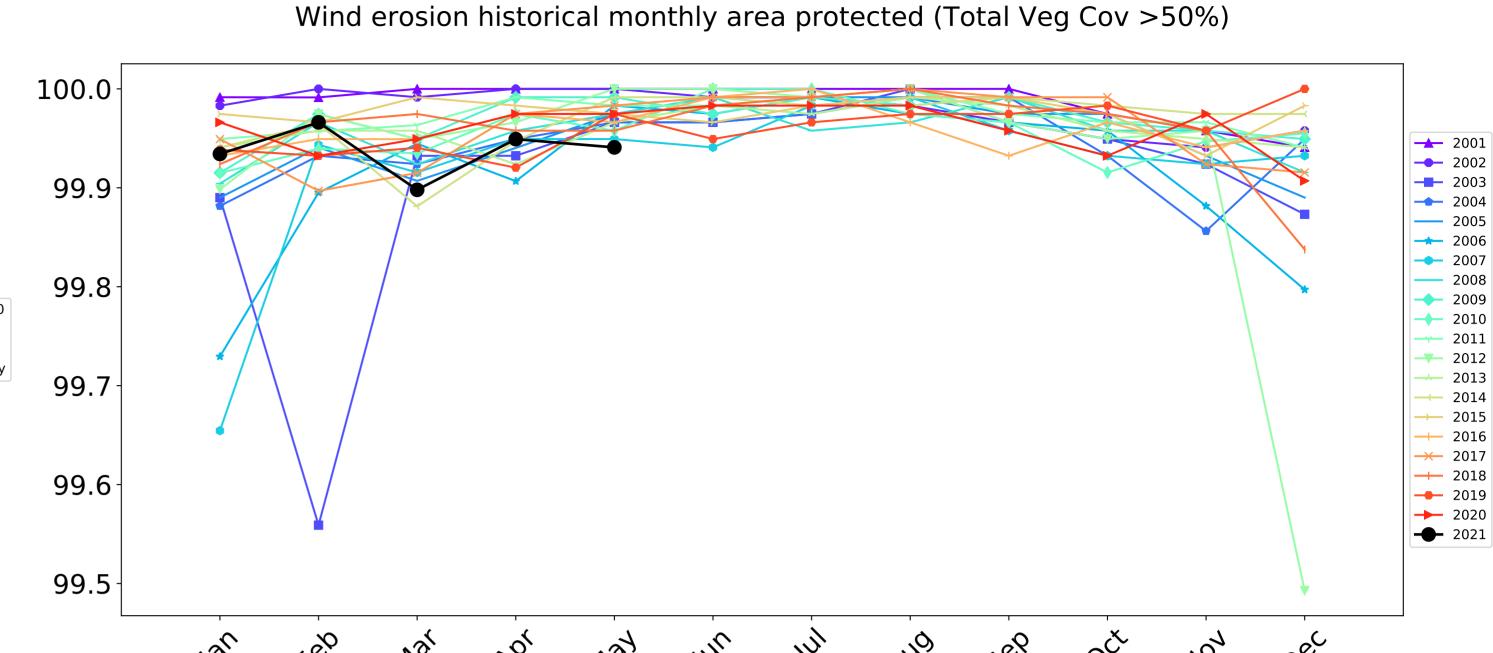




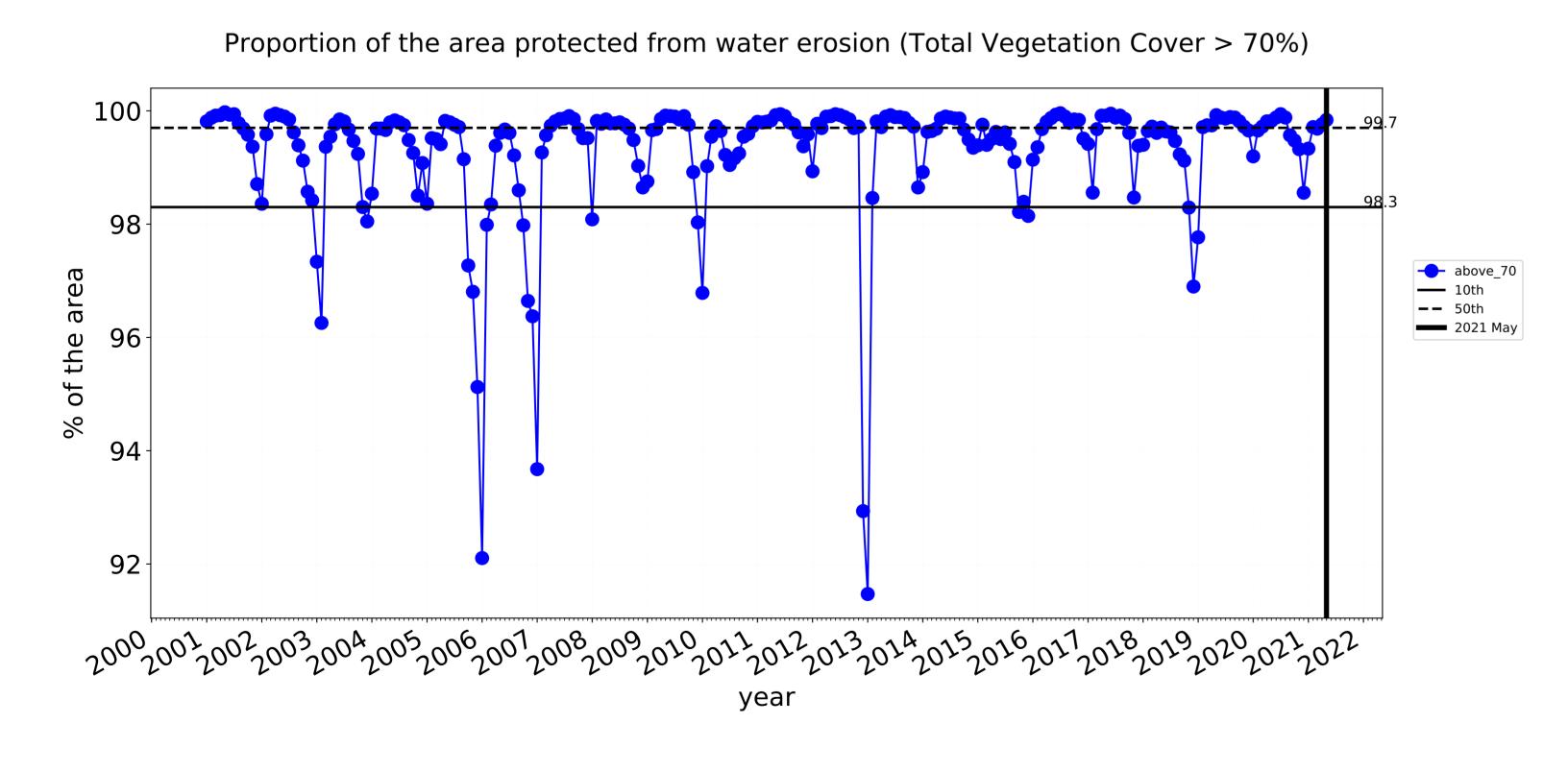


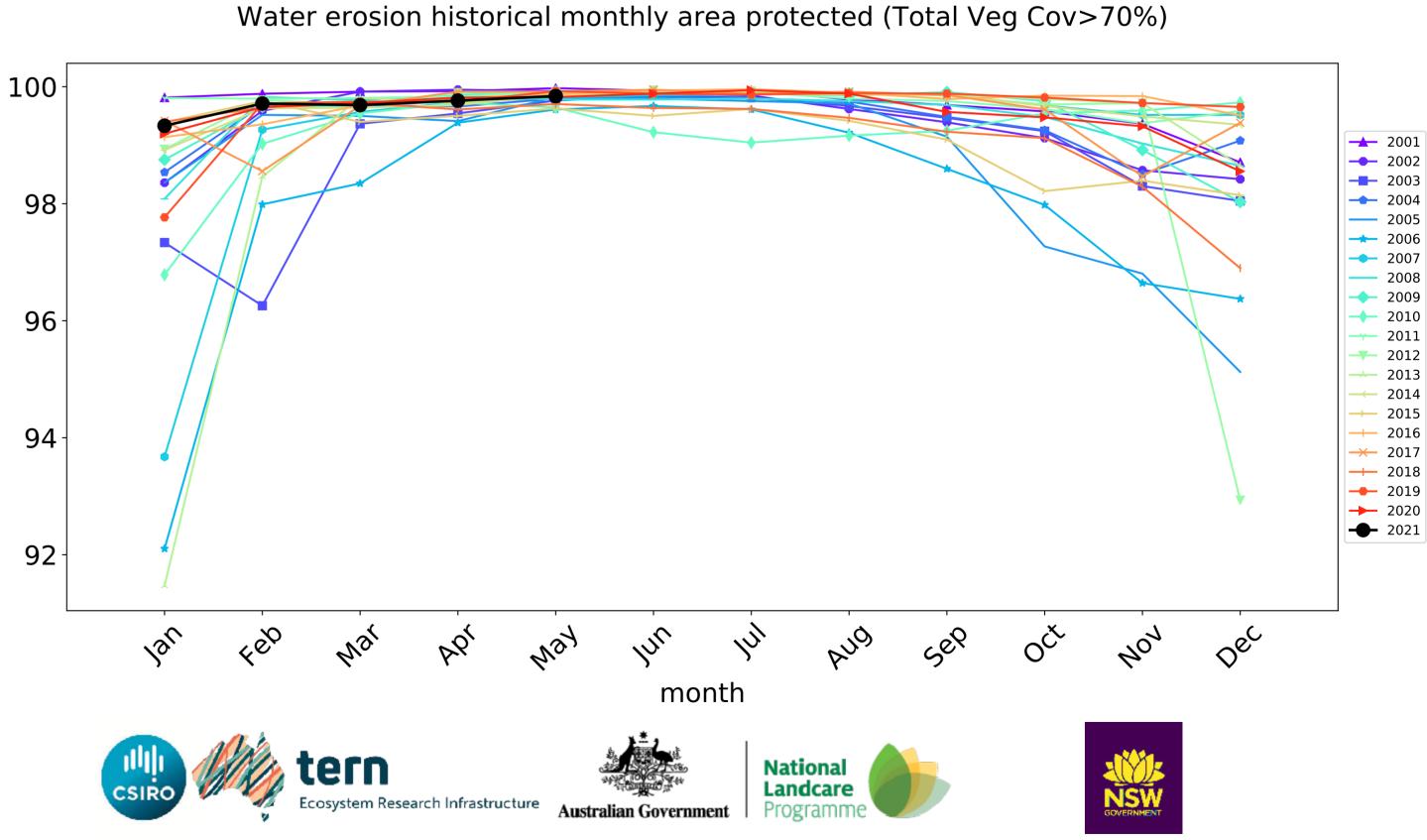
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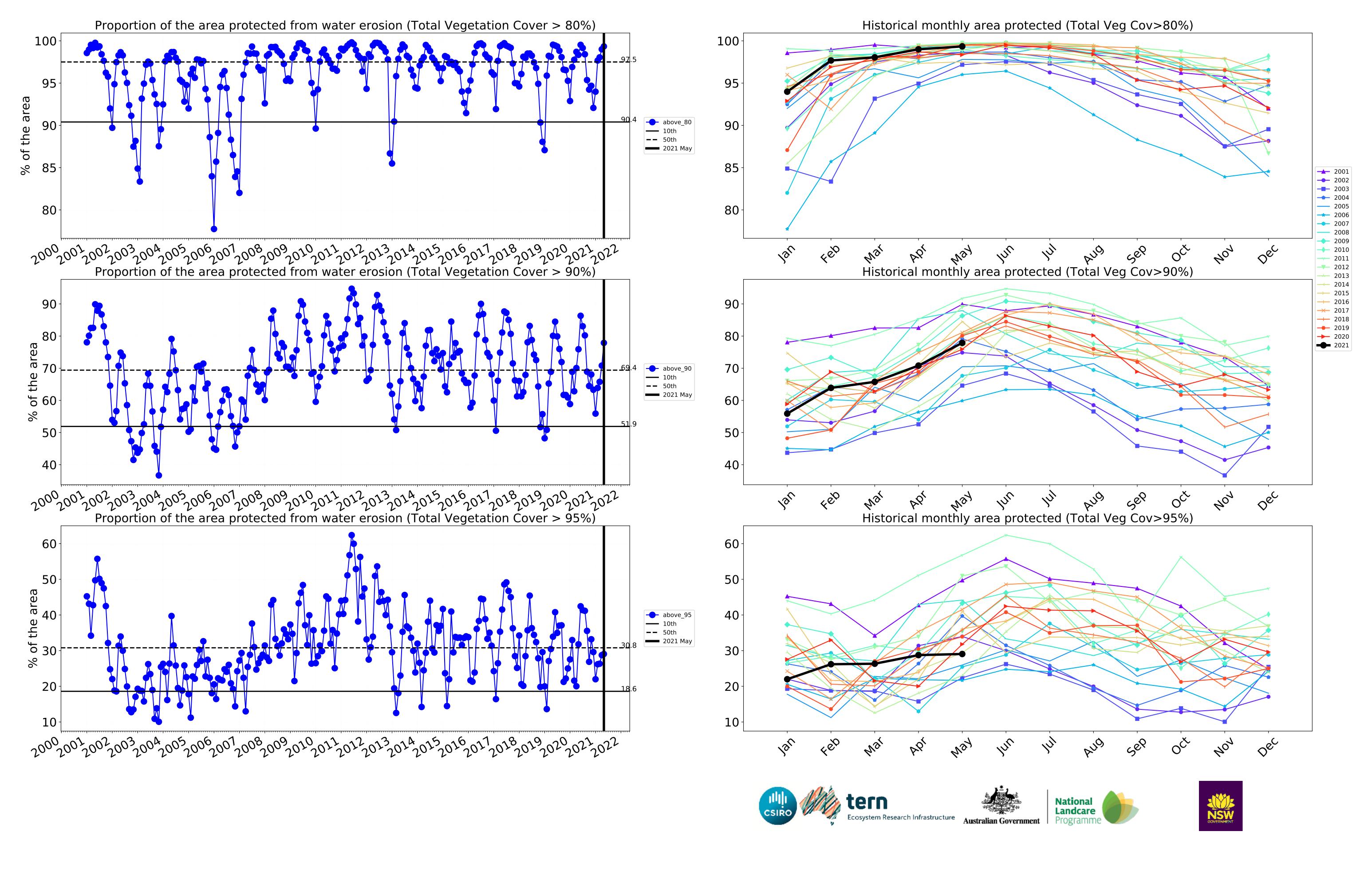




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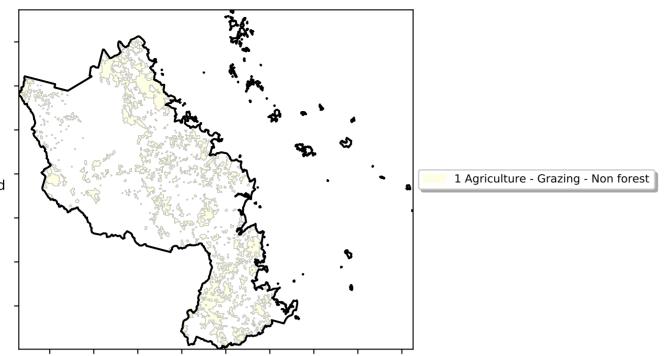
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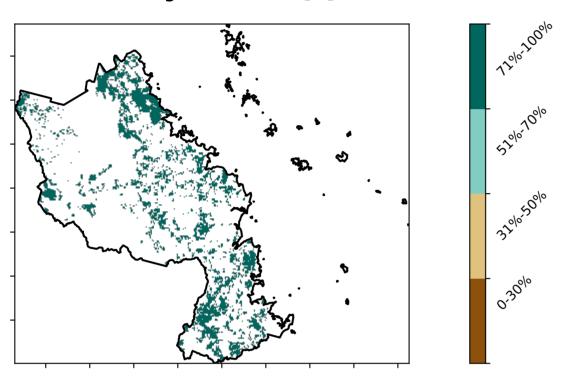
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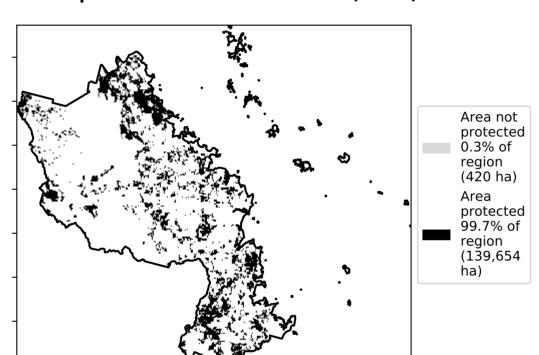
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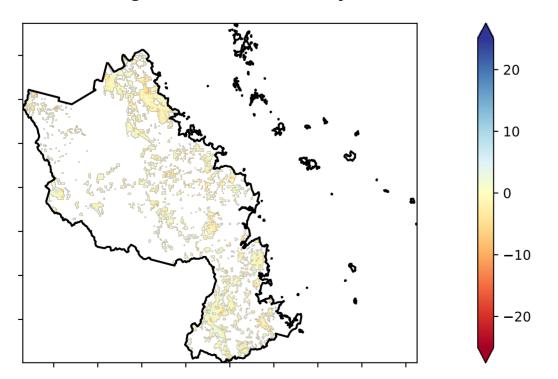
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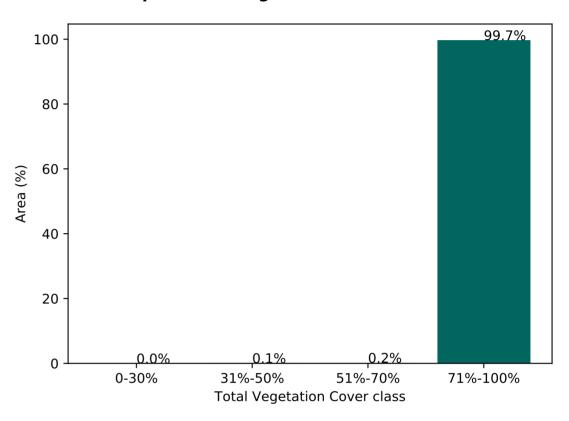


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

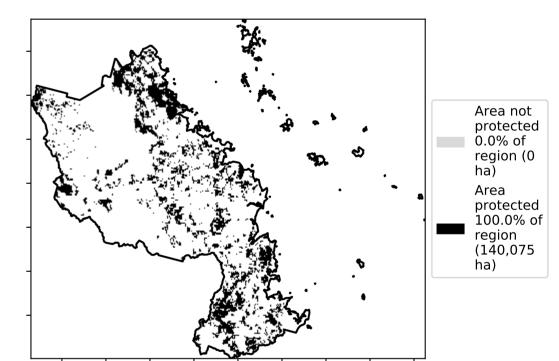


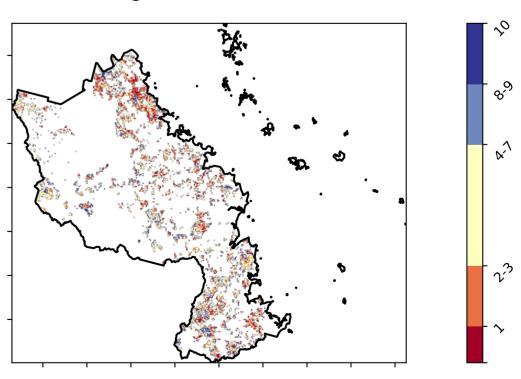
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)







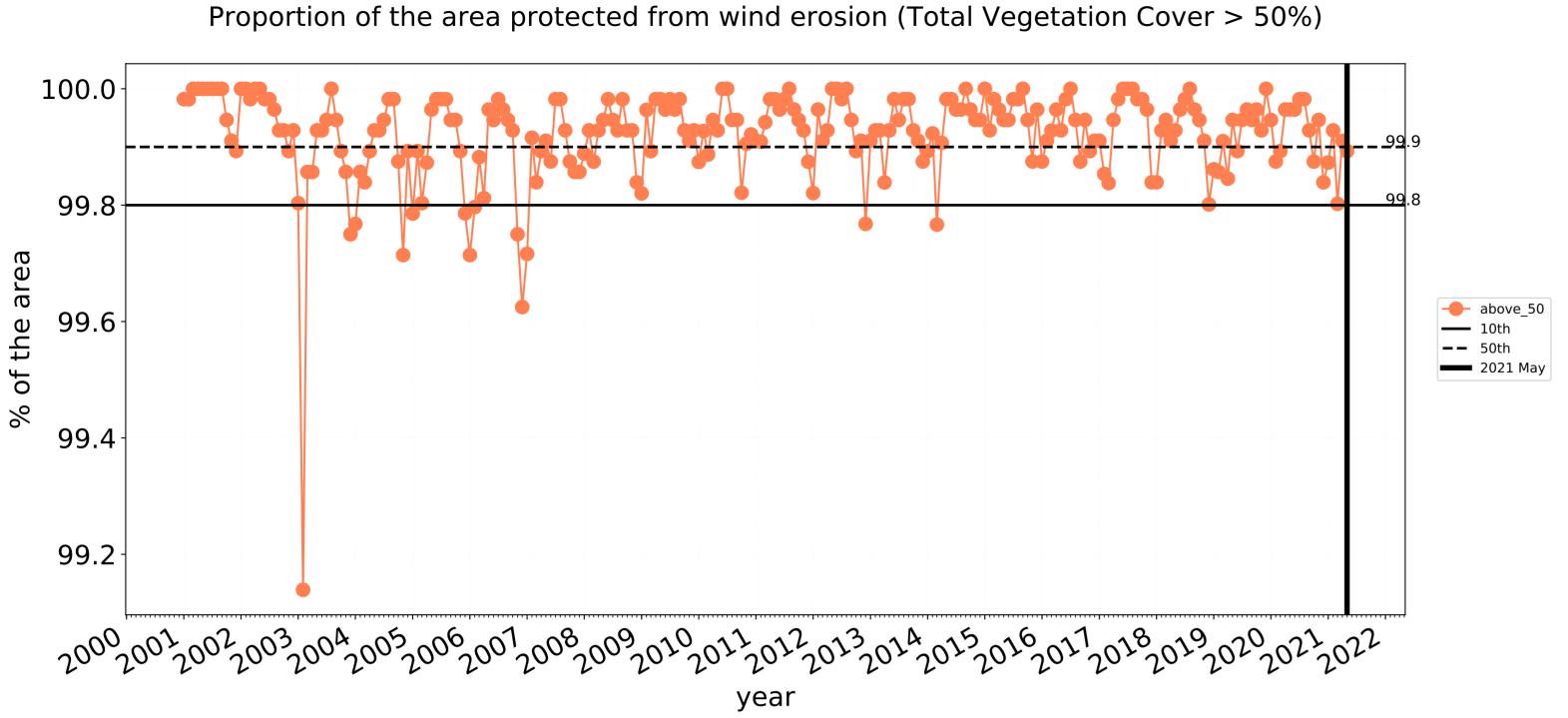


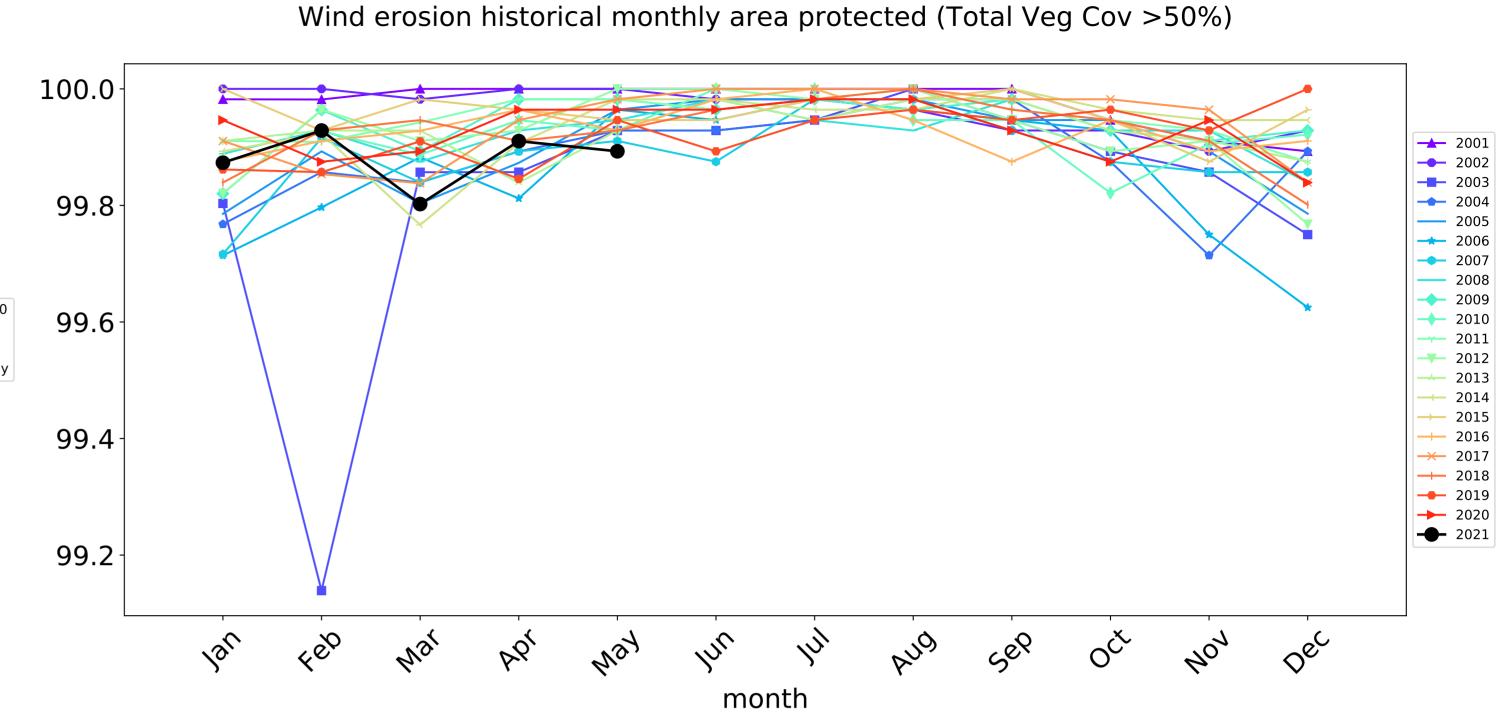


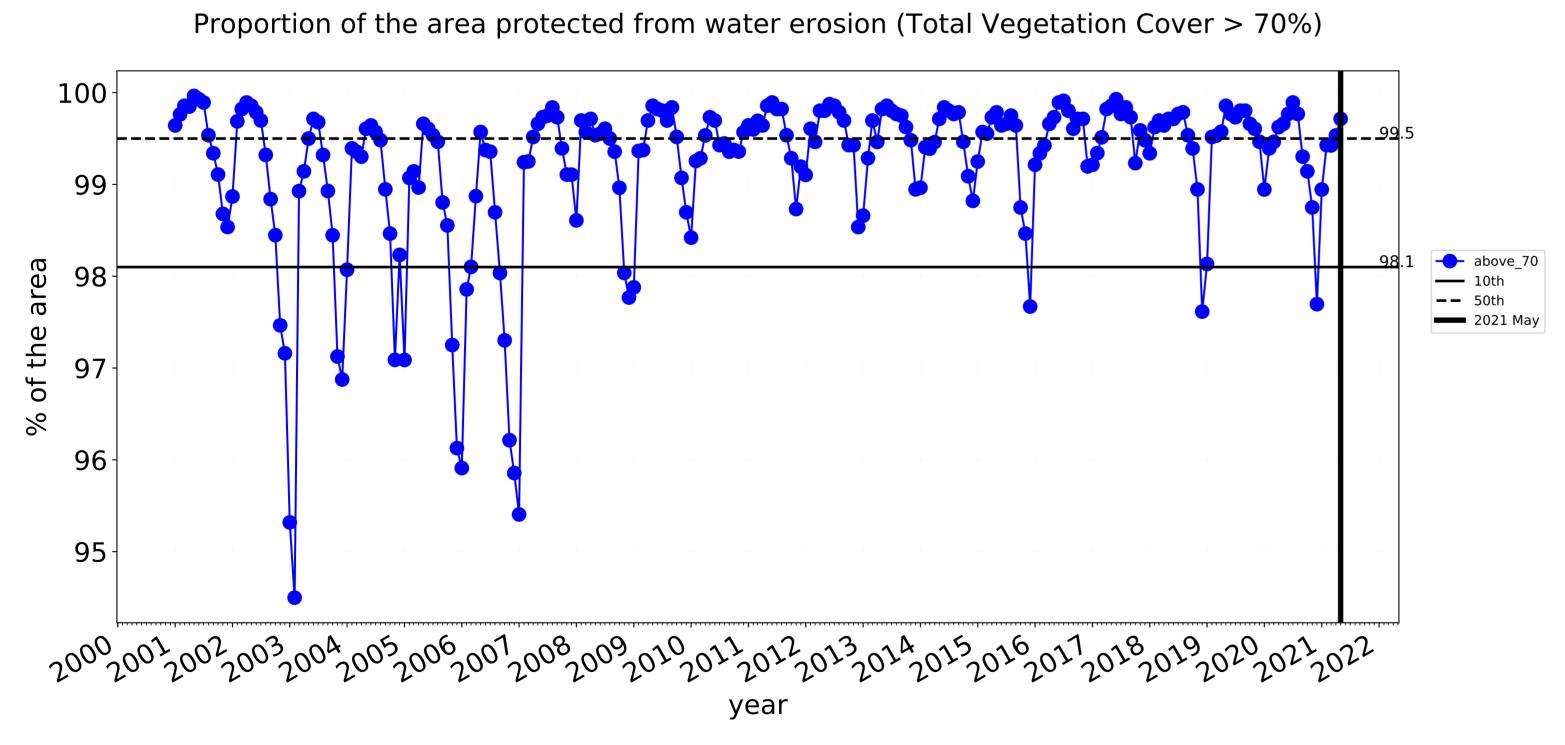


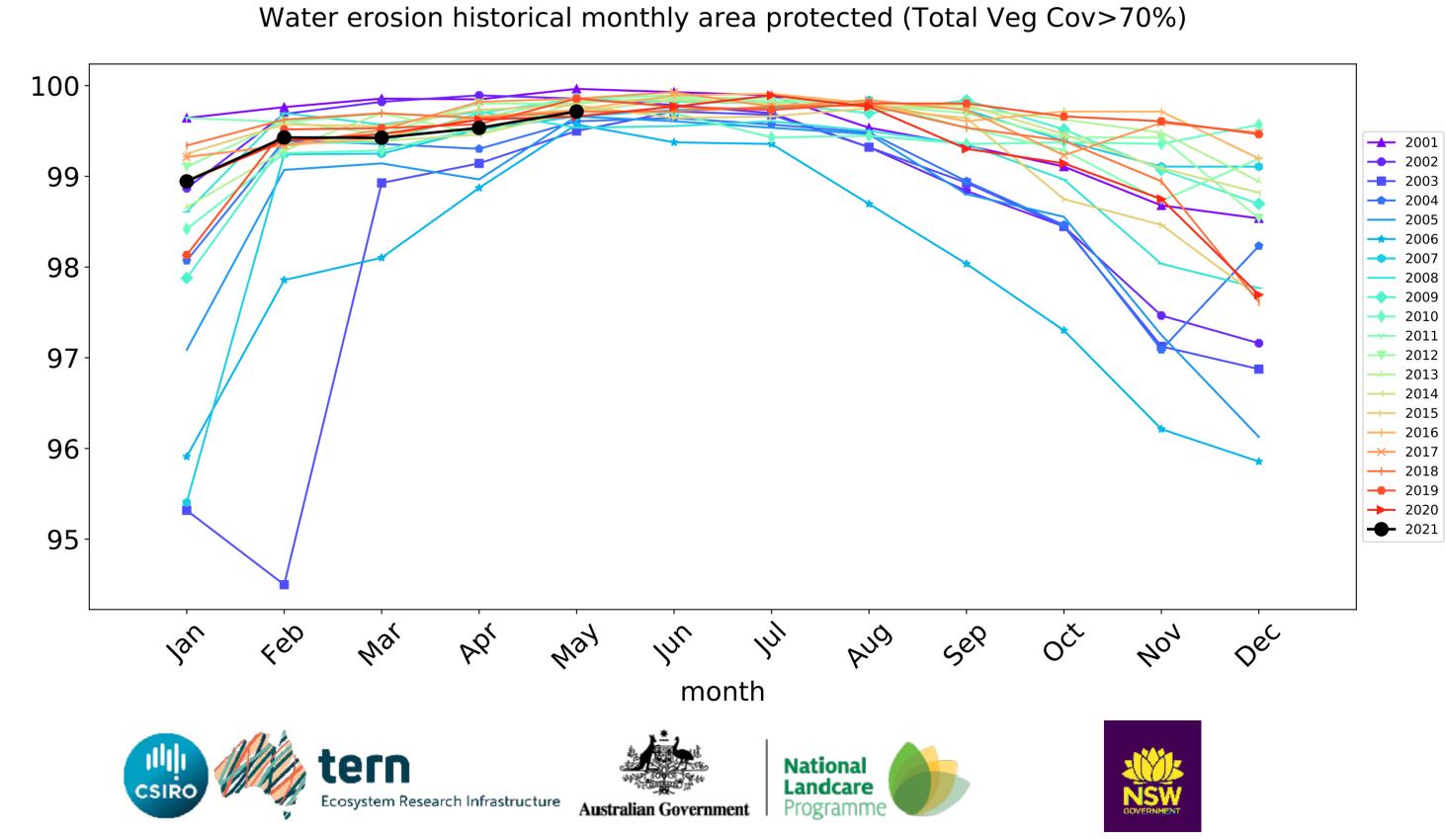


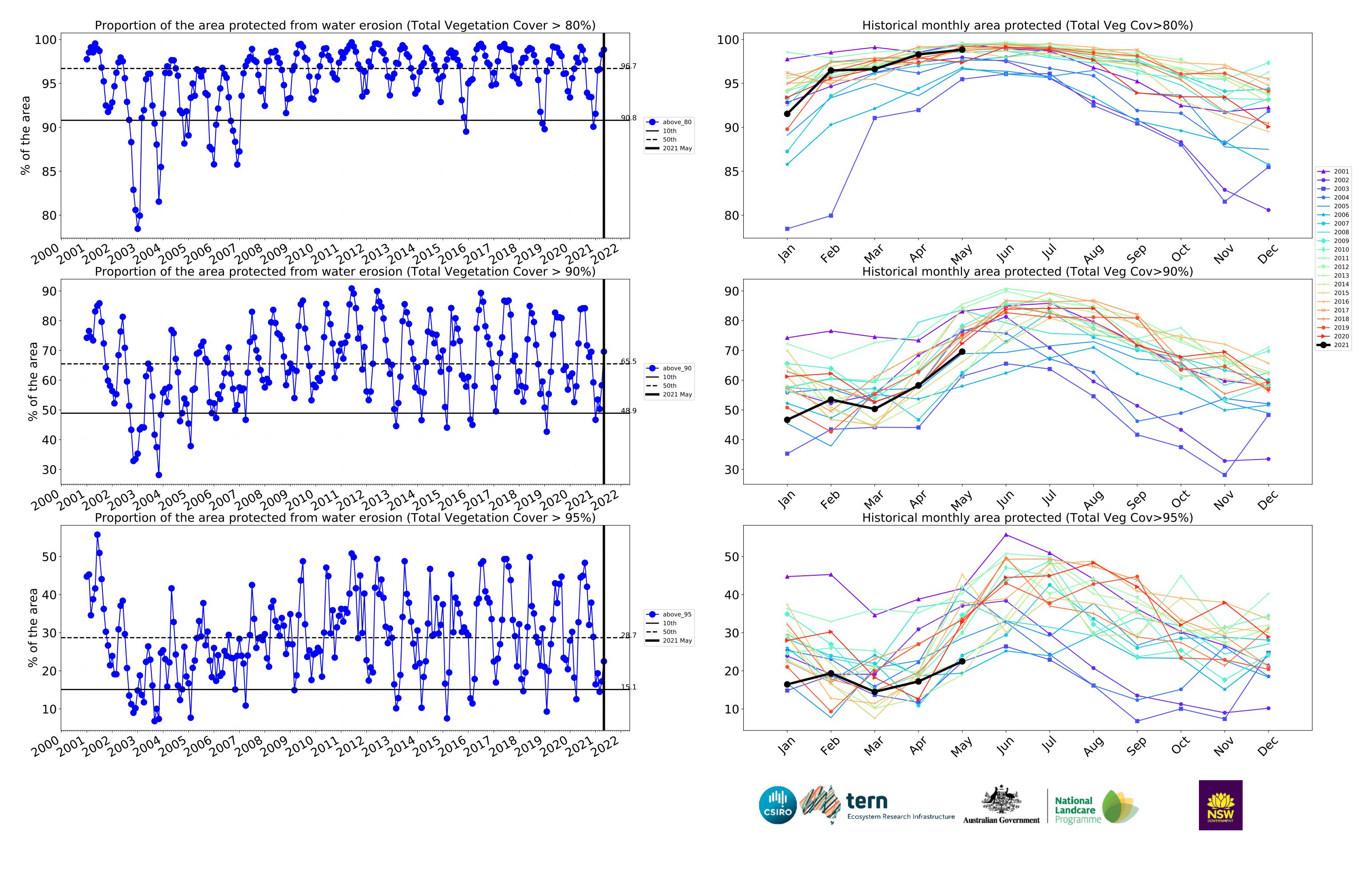
Grazing non forest timeseries











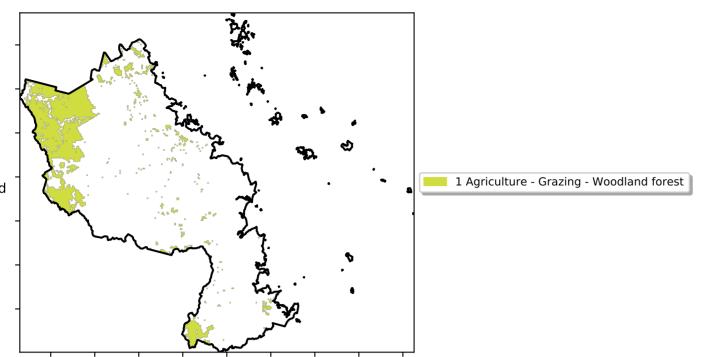
Grazing Woodland forest

Land use and forest cover

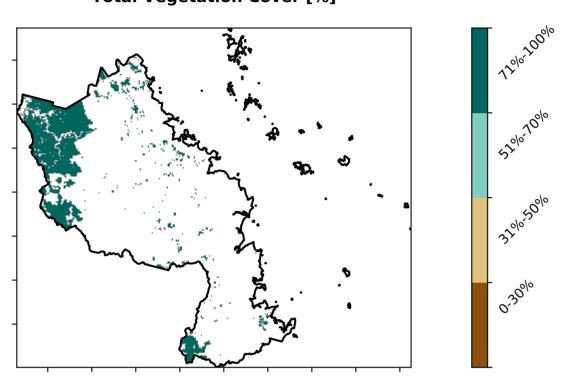
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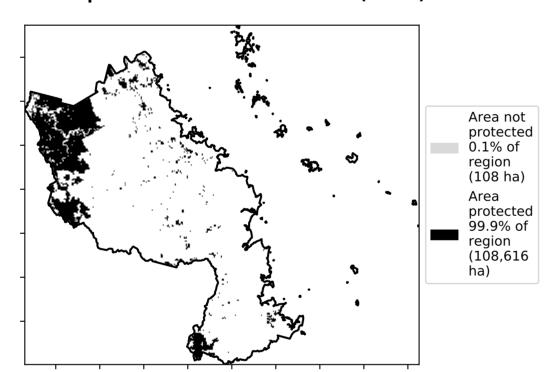
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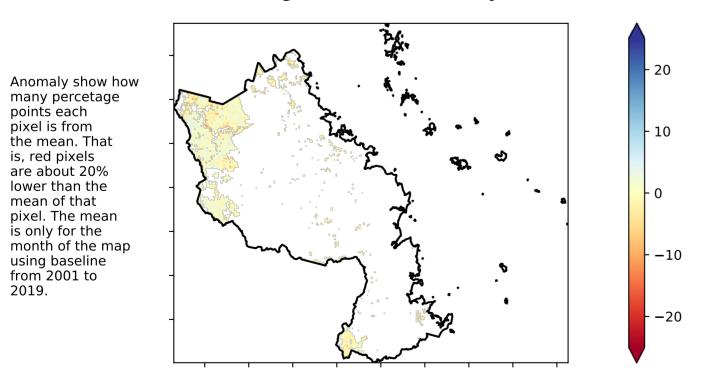
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

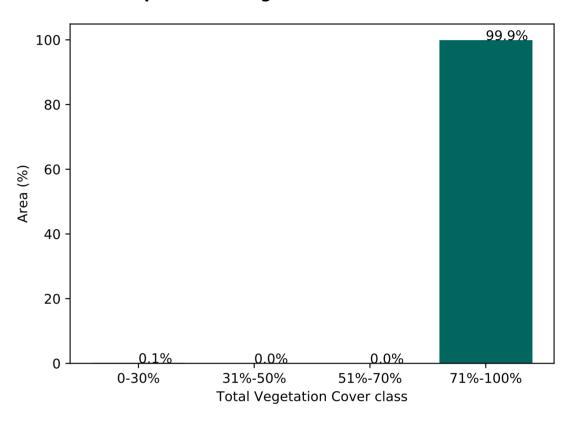


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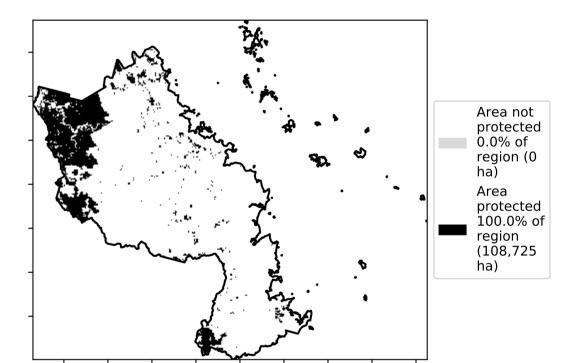


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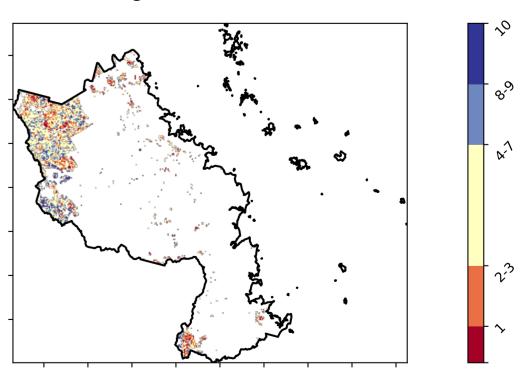
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





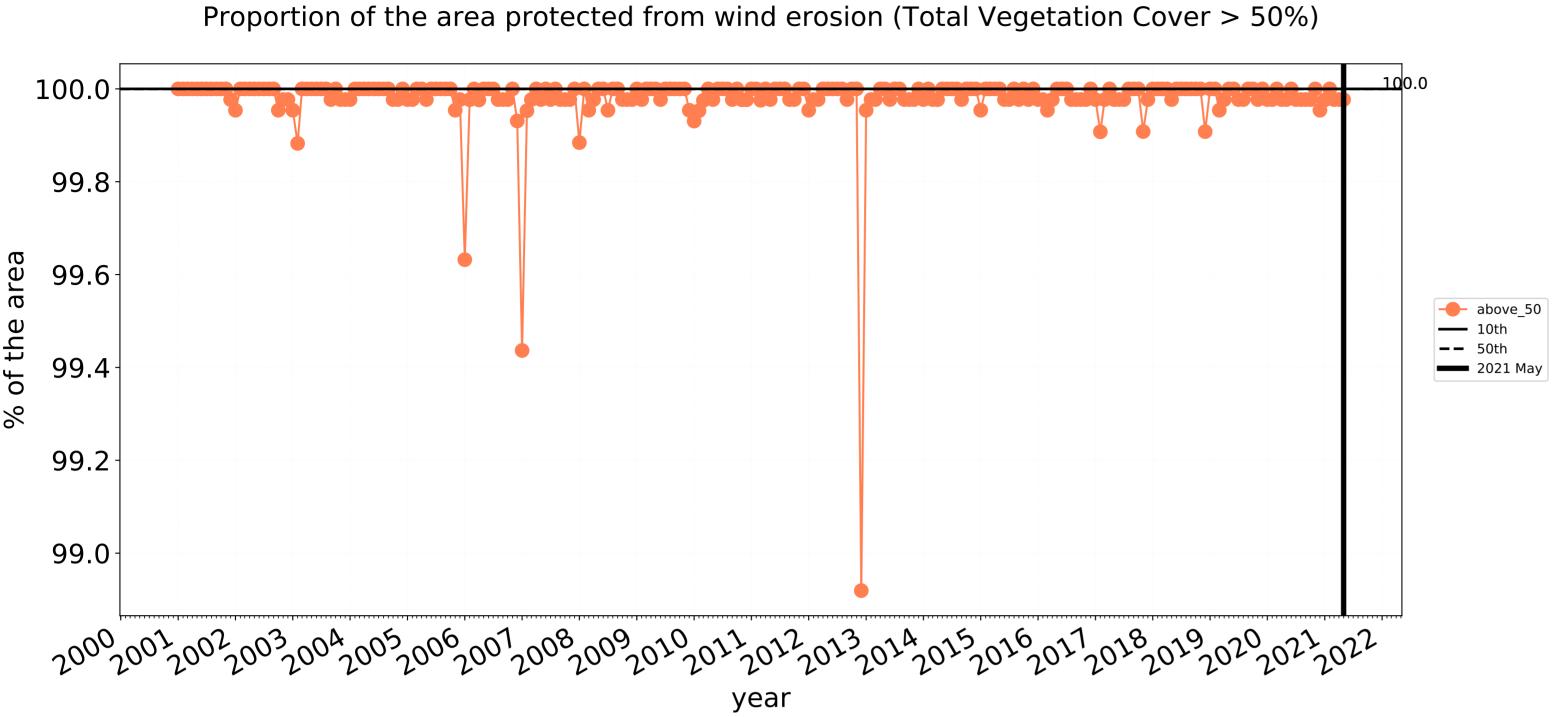


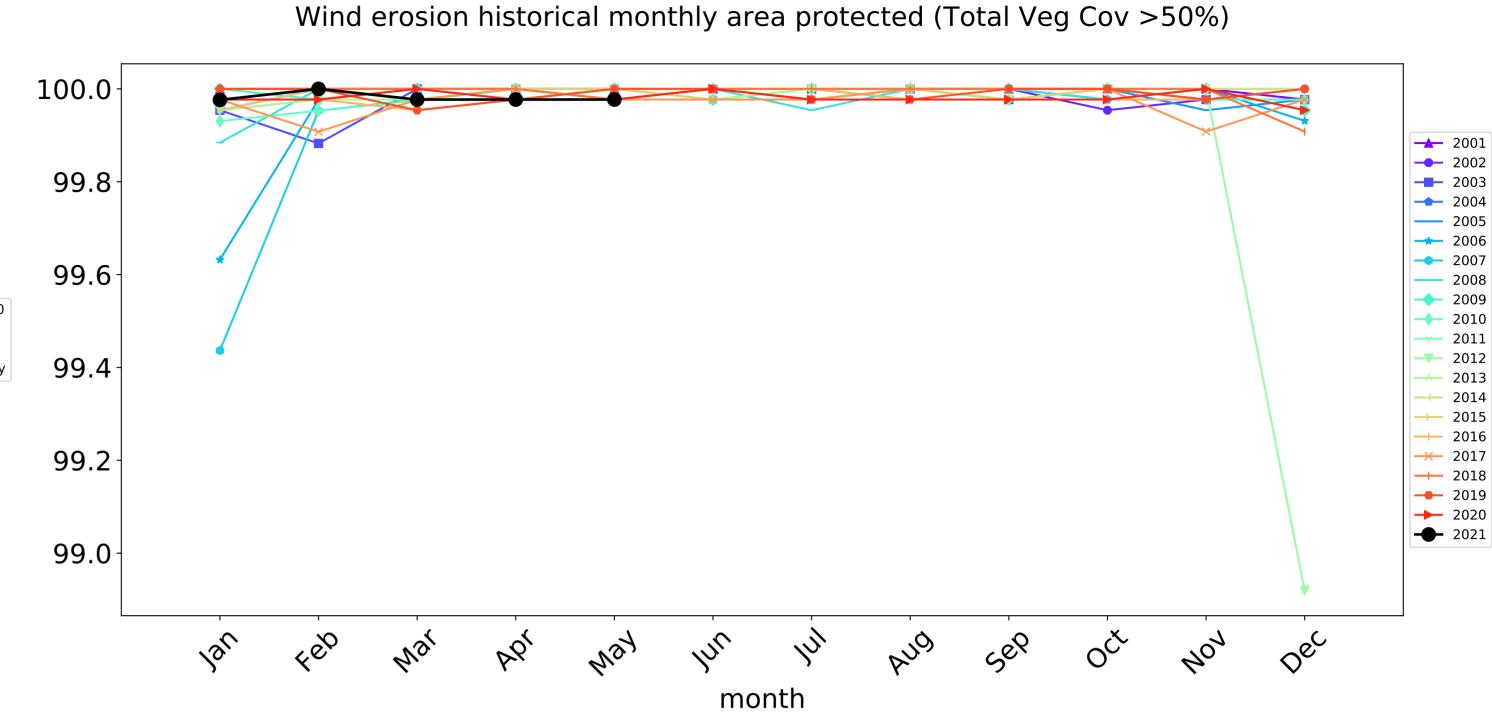


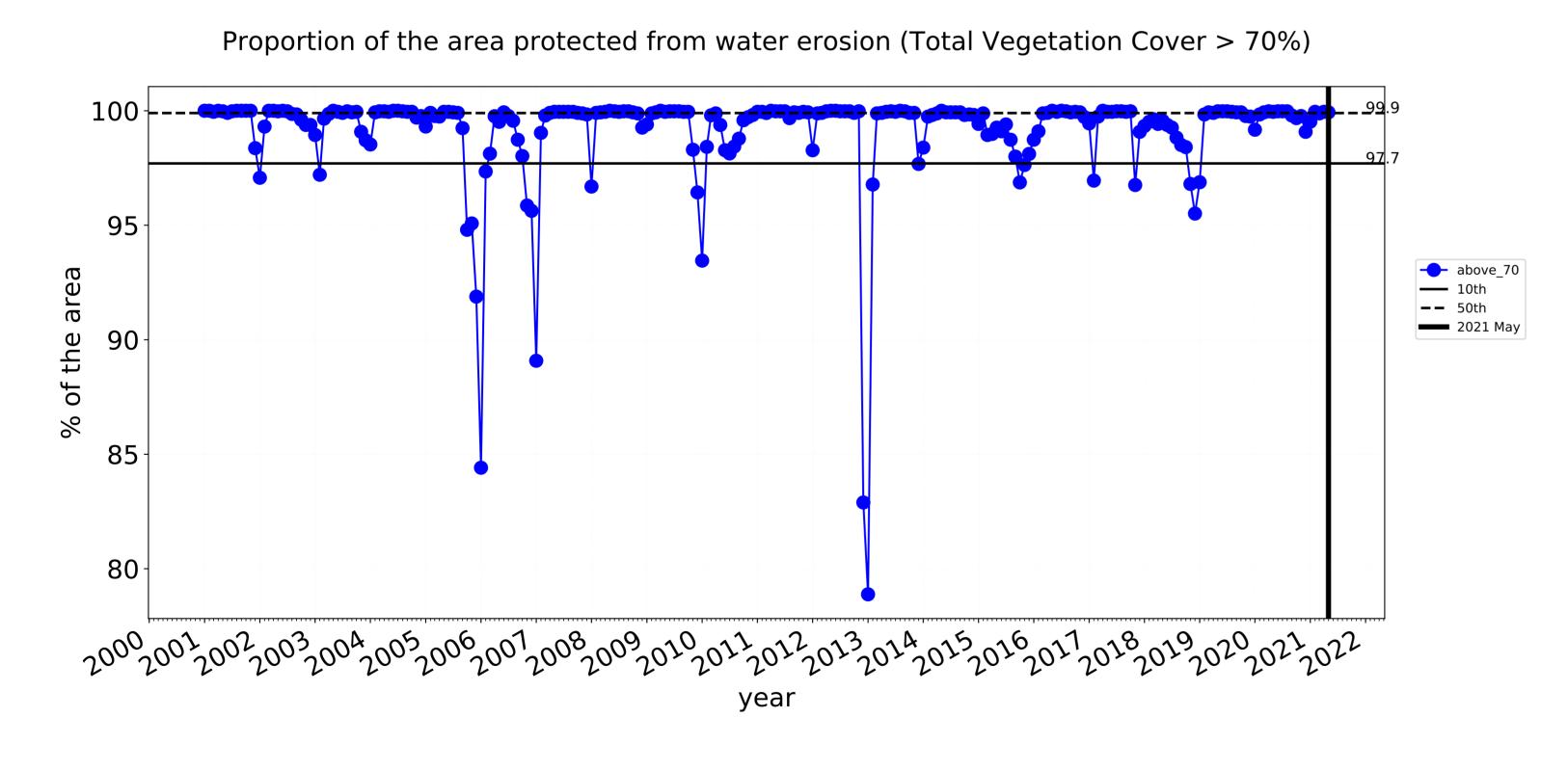


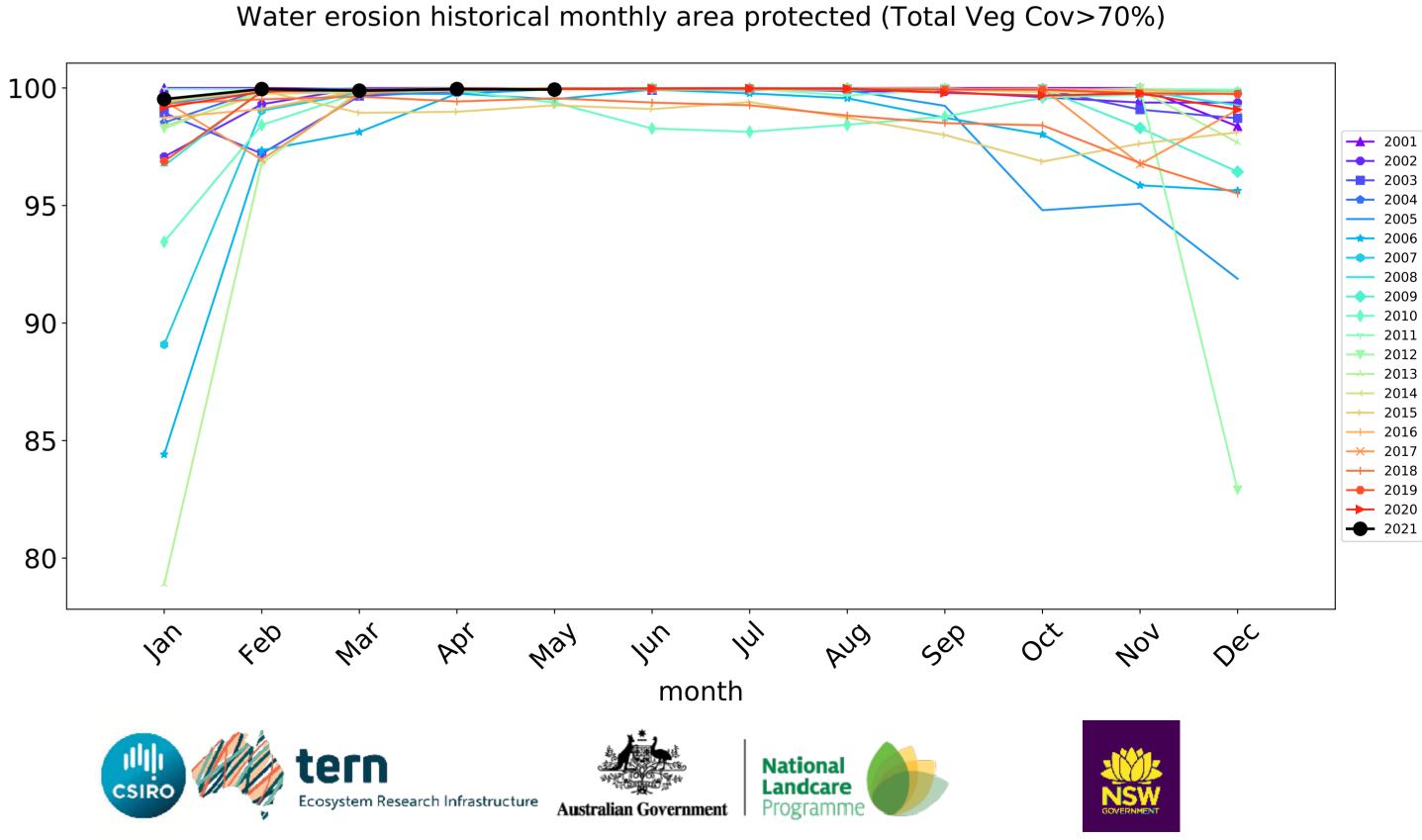
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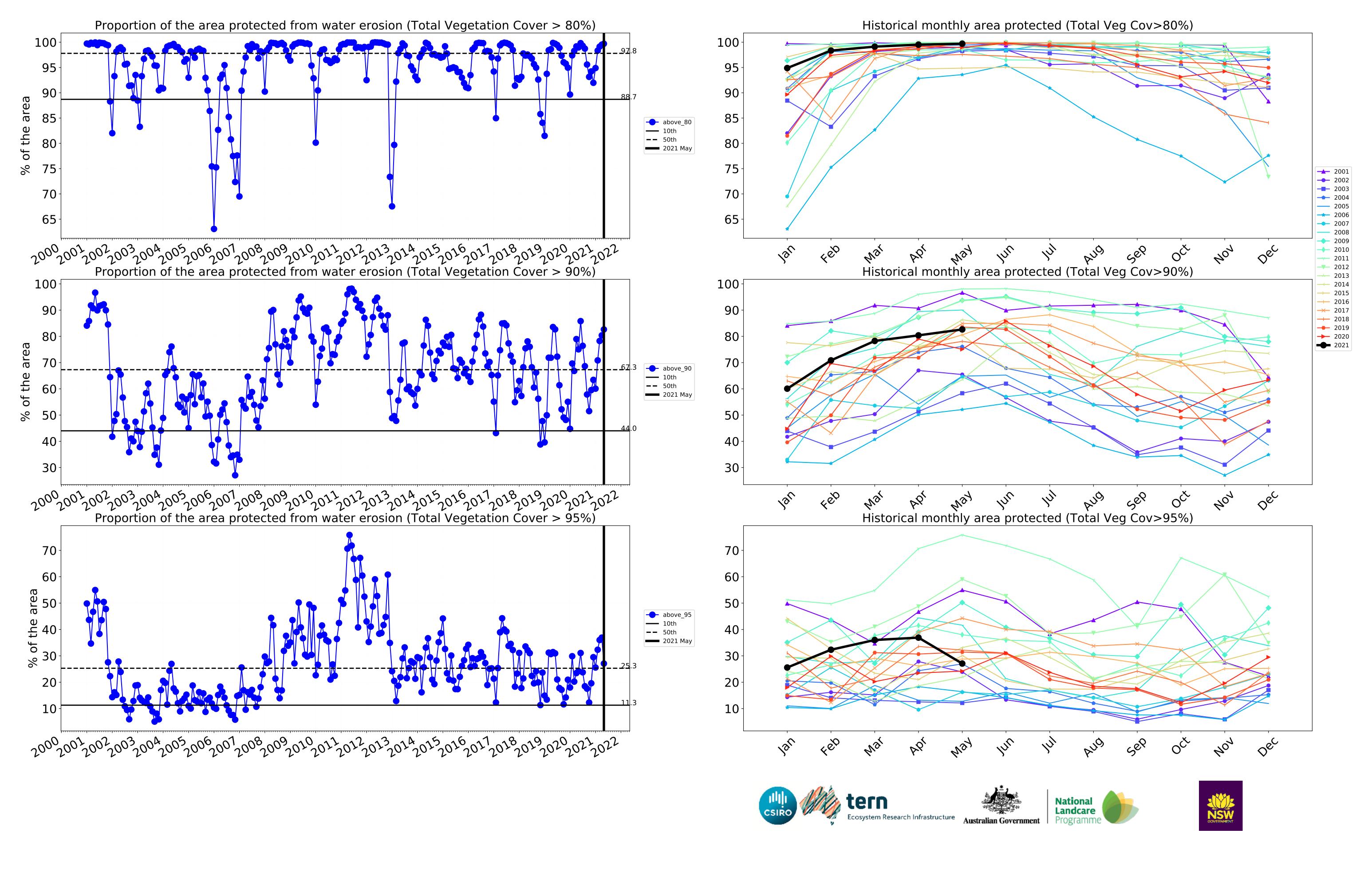
Grazing Woodland forest timeseries











Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

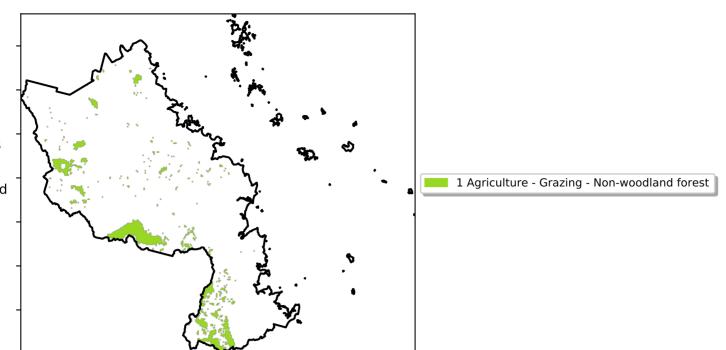
Land use and forest cover

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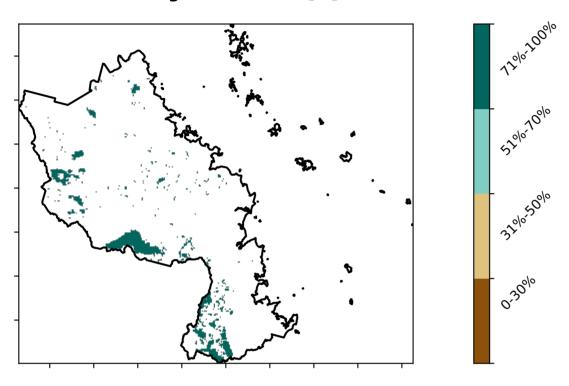
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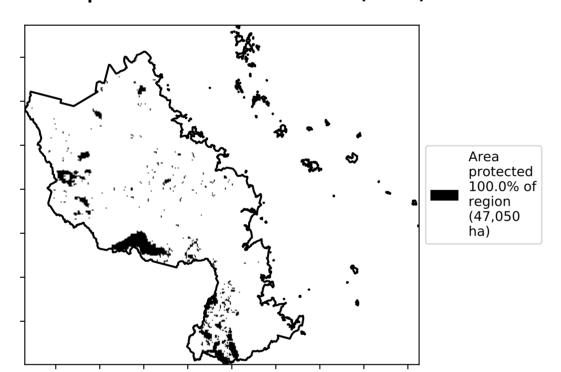
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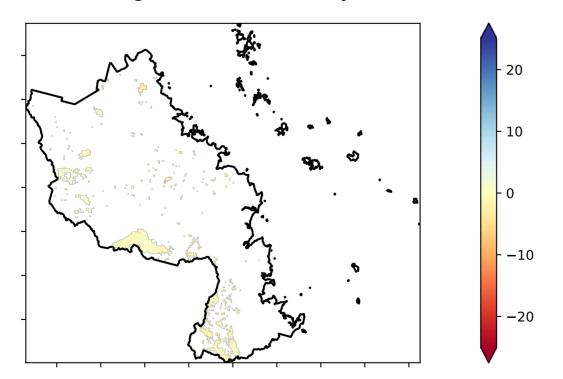
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

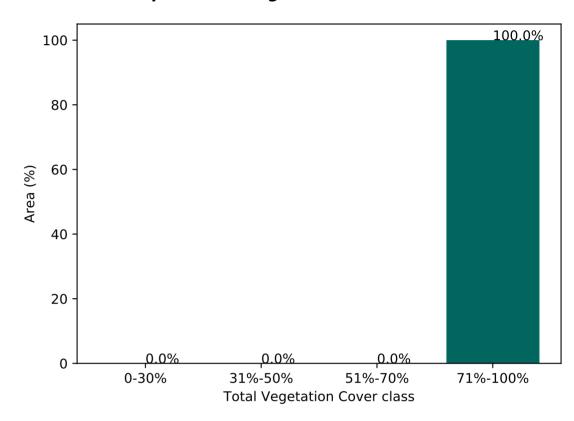


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

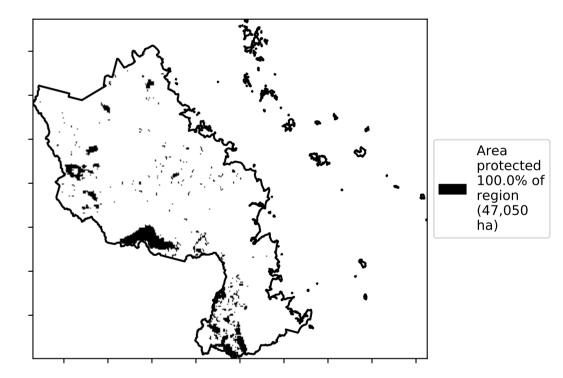


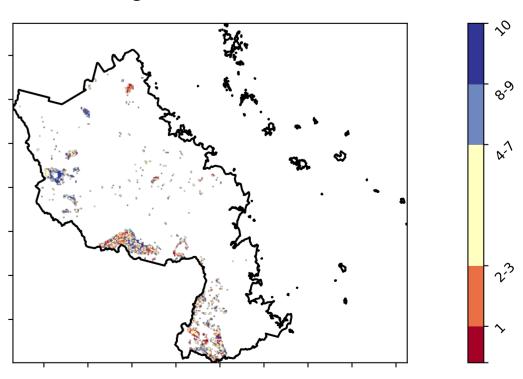
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



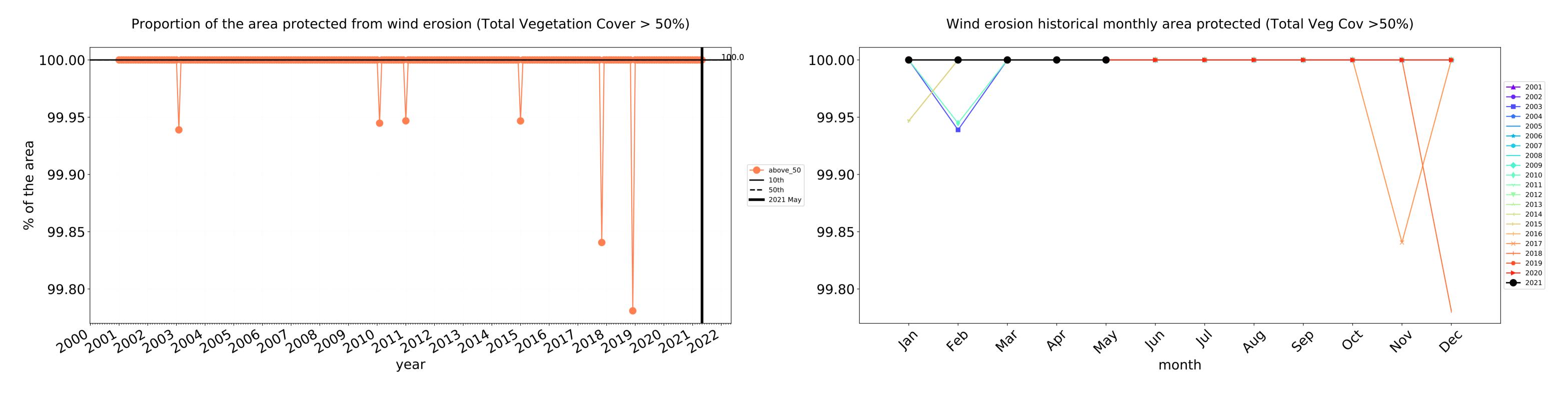


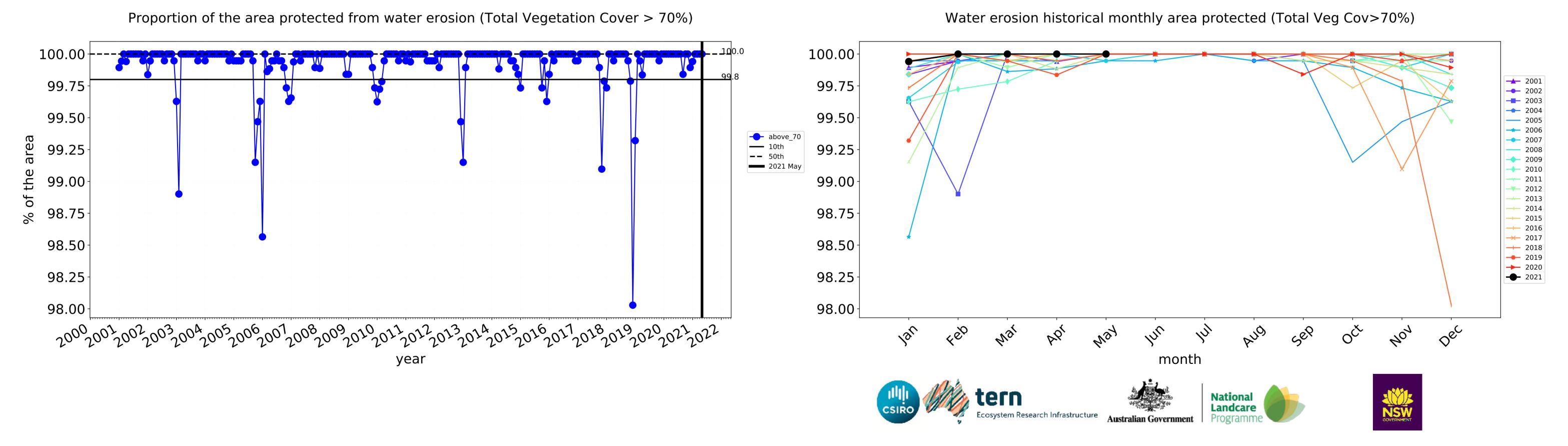


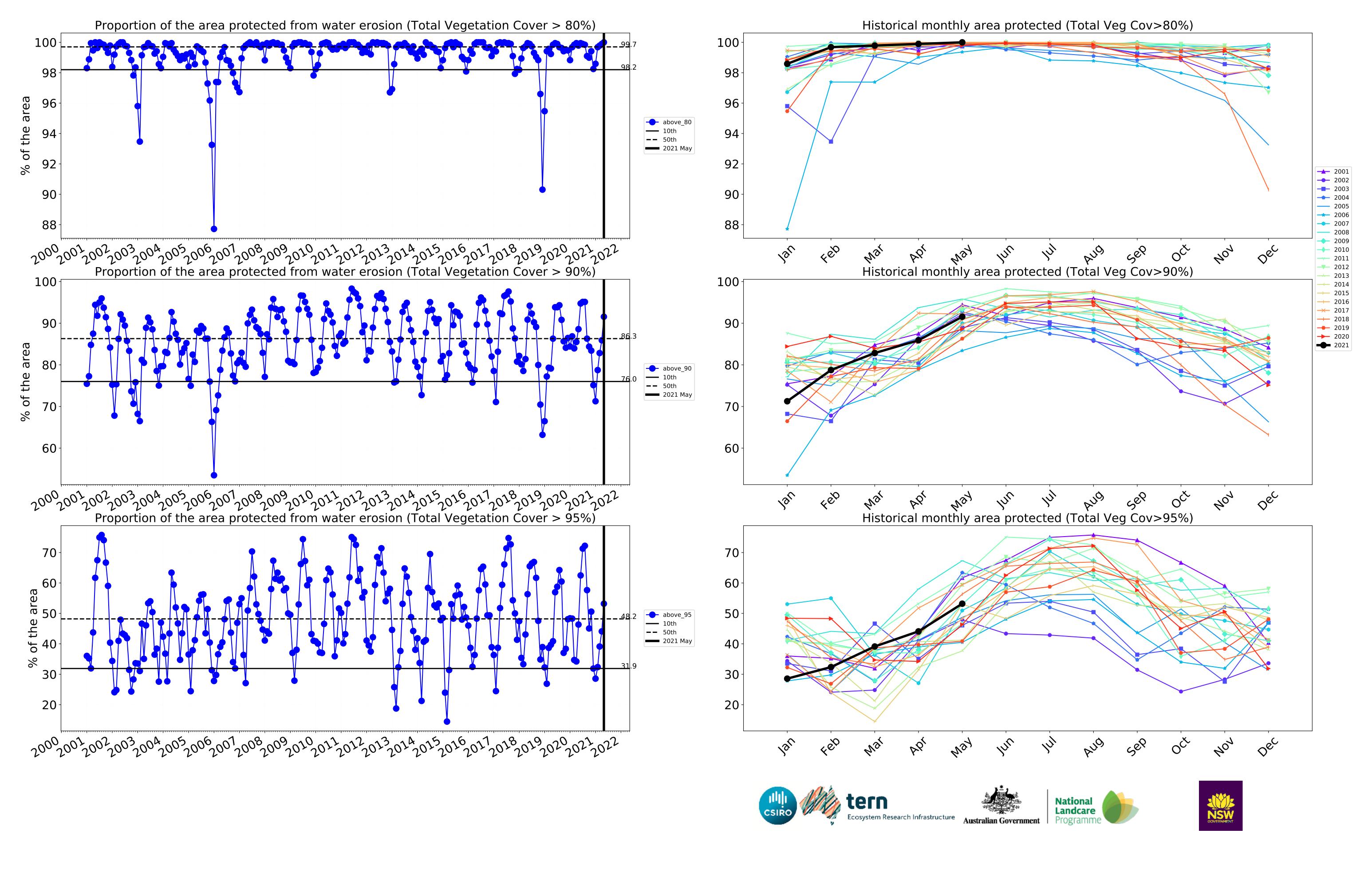






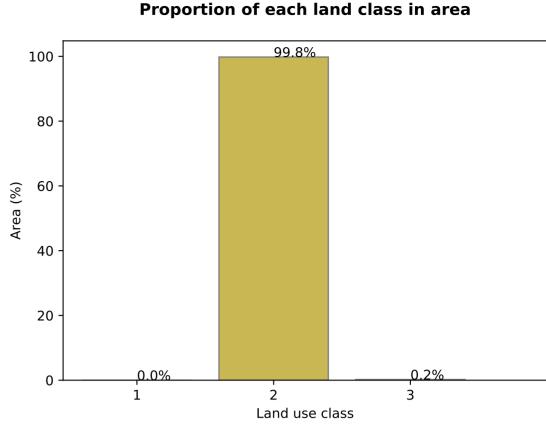


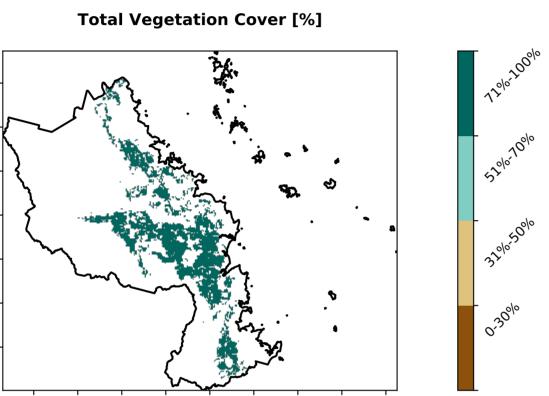


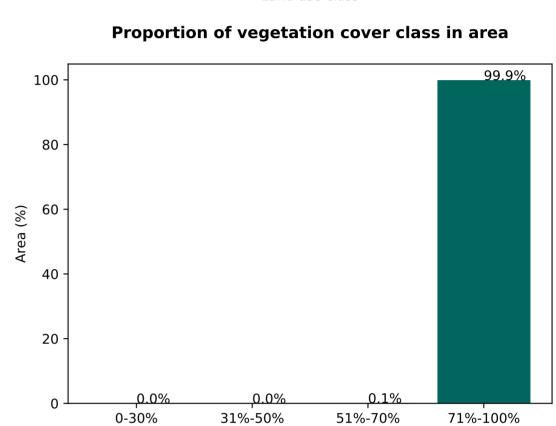


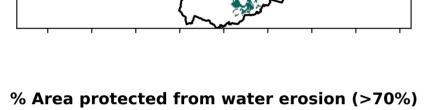
Irrigation

Land use and forest cover Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018) 1 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 2 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated 3 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated



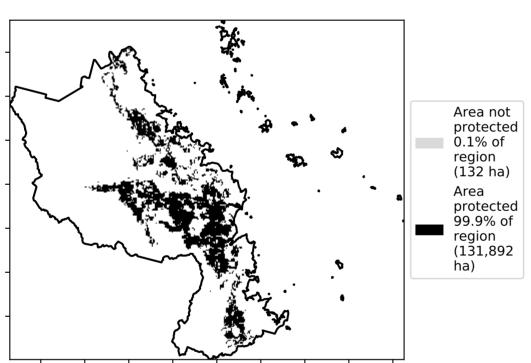


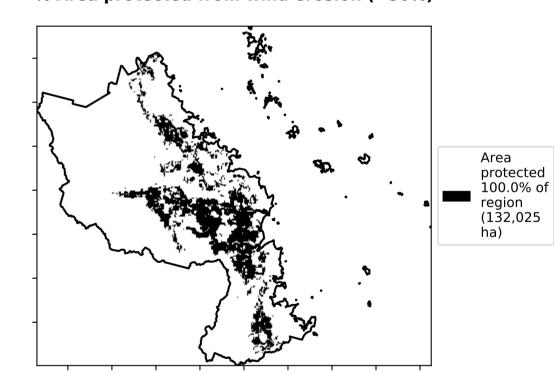




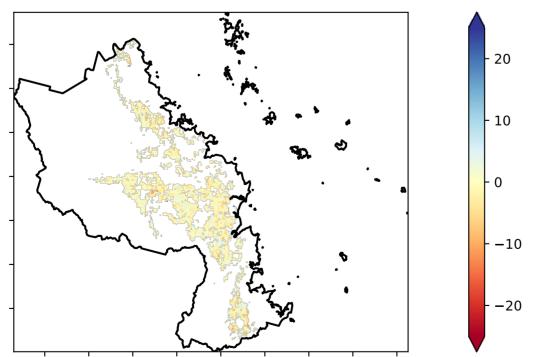


Total Vegetation Cover class



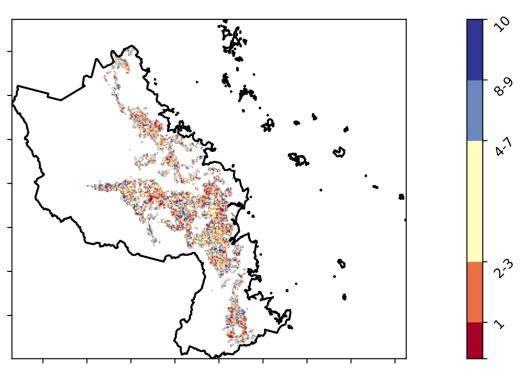


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





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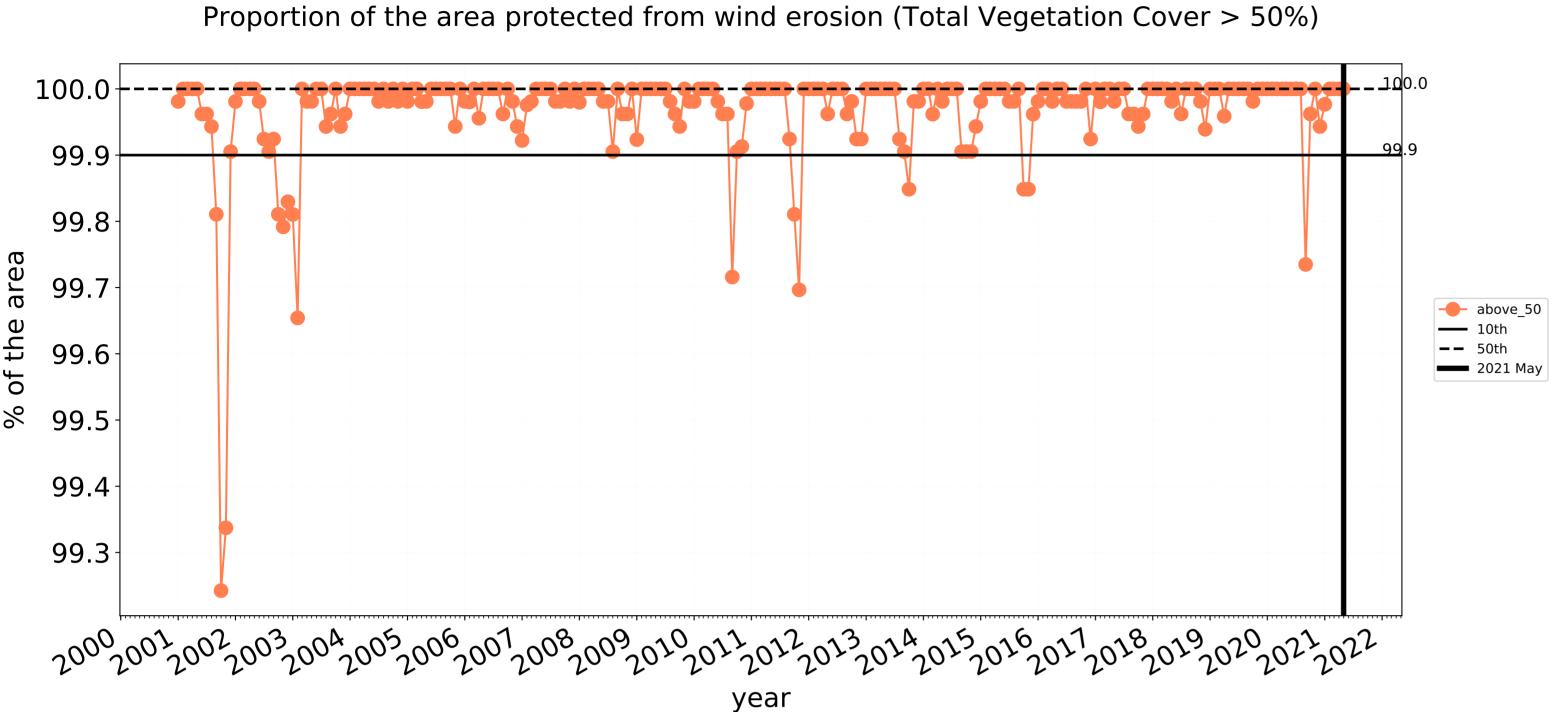


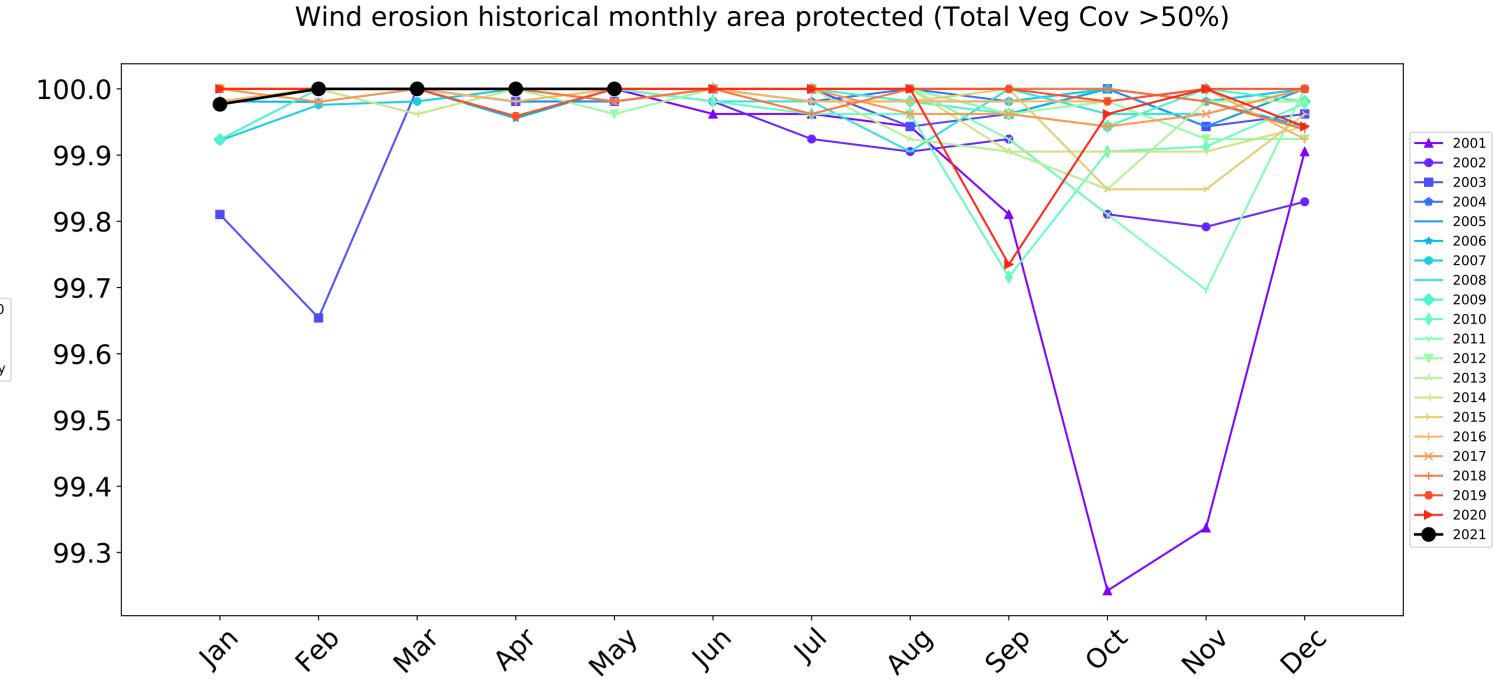




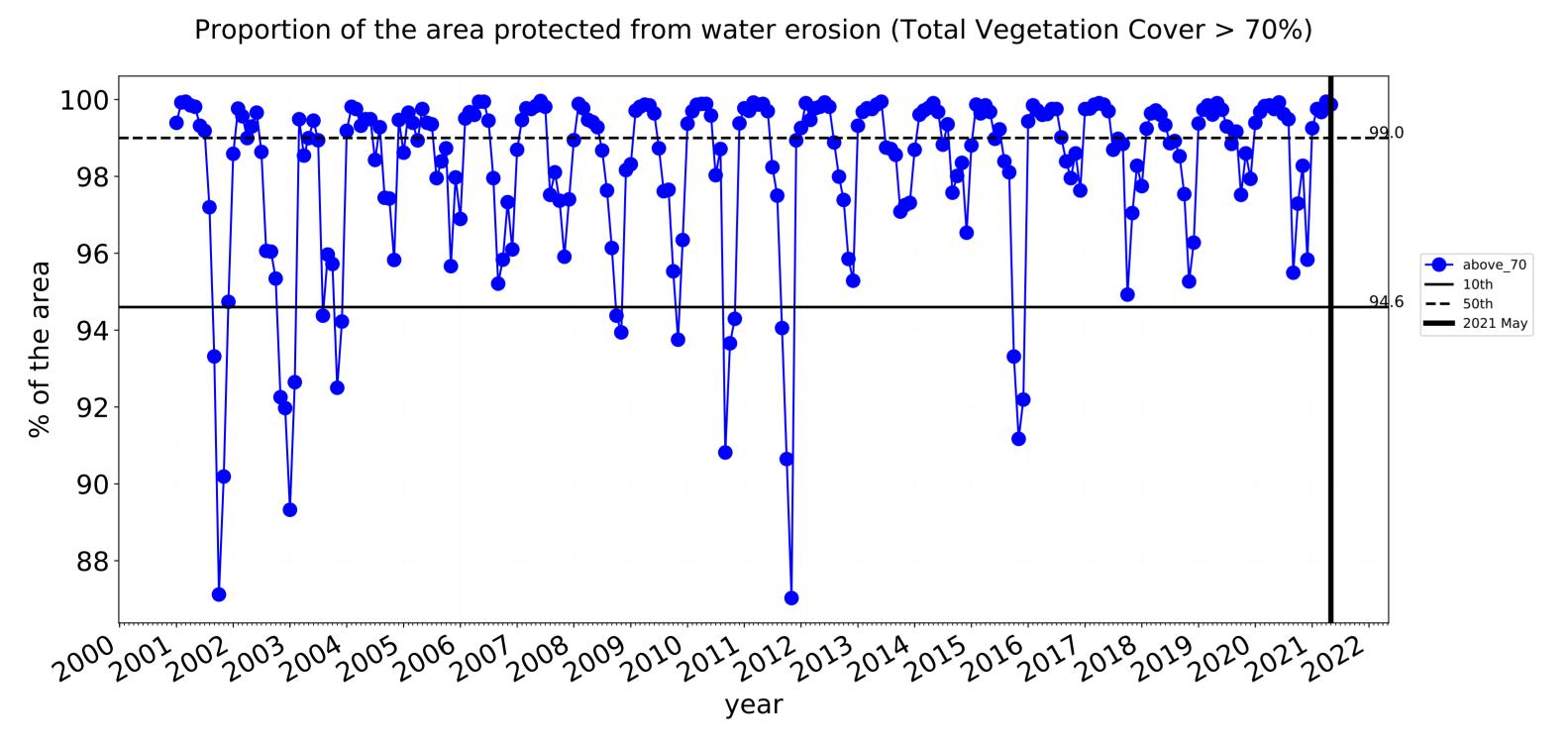


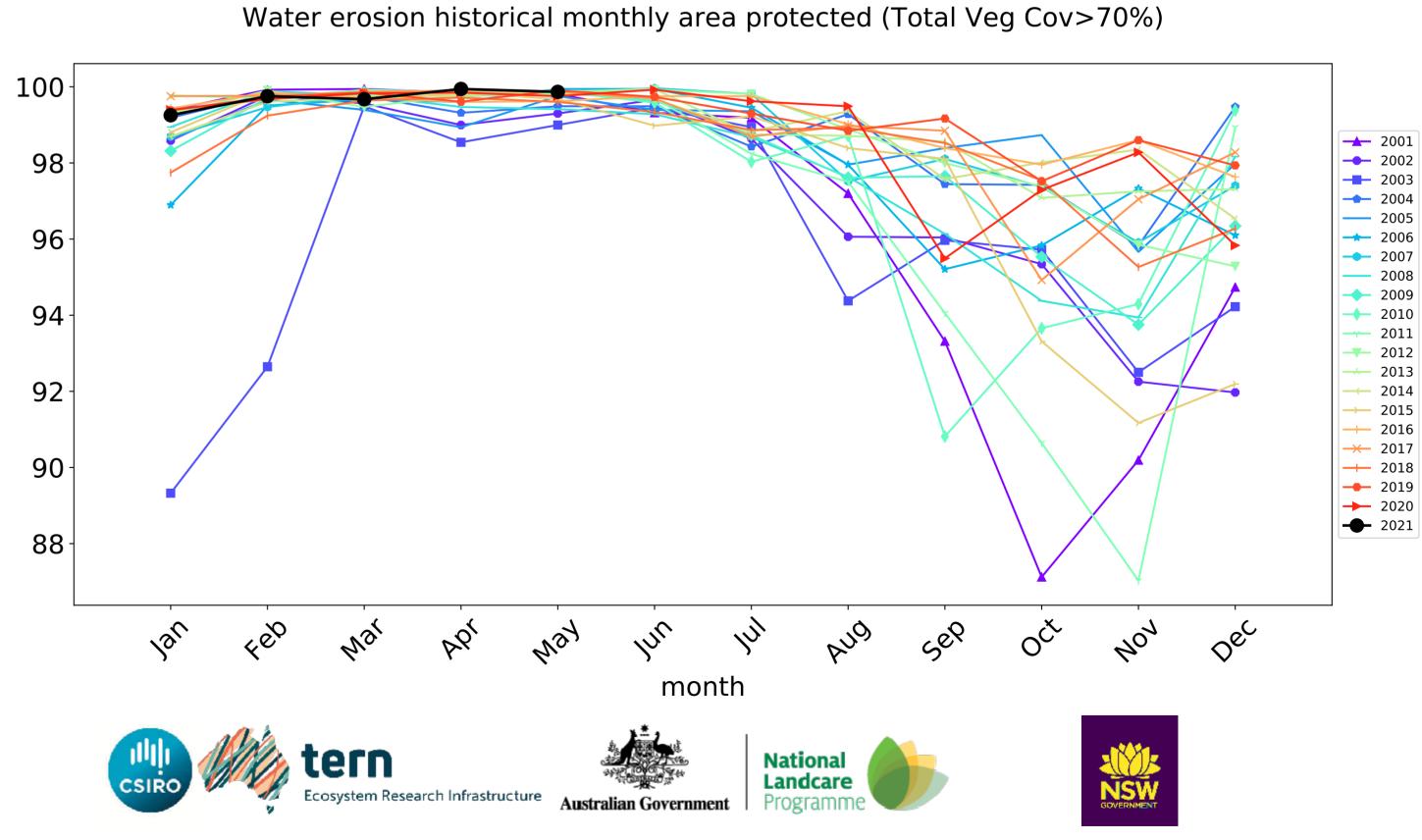
Irrigation timeseries

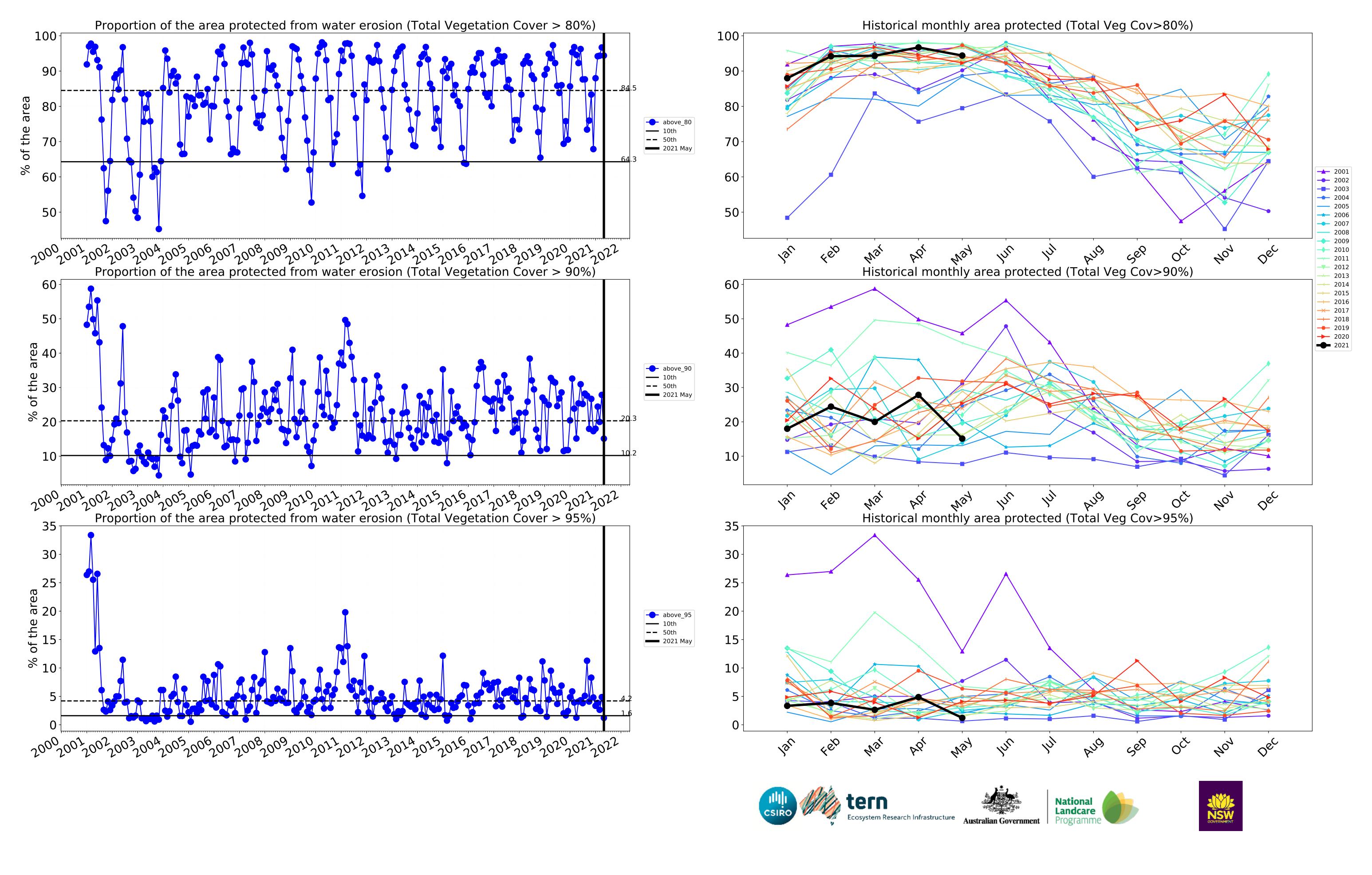




month







Production native forests and plantation forests

Land use and forest cover

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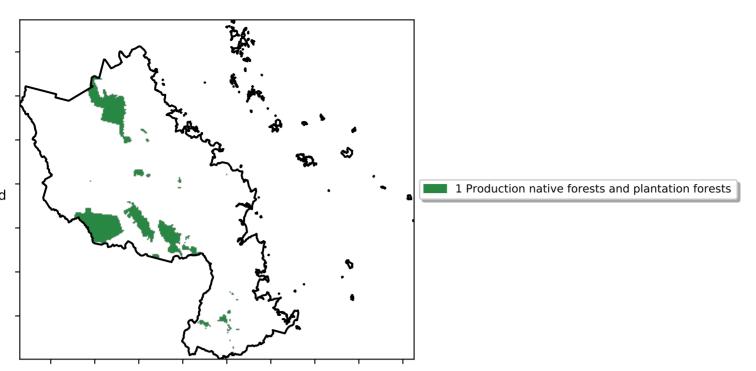
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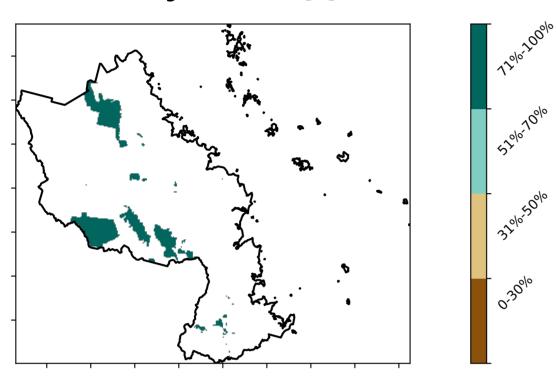
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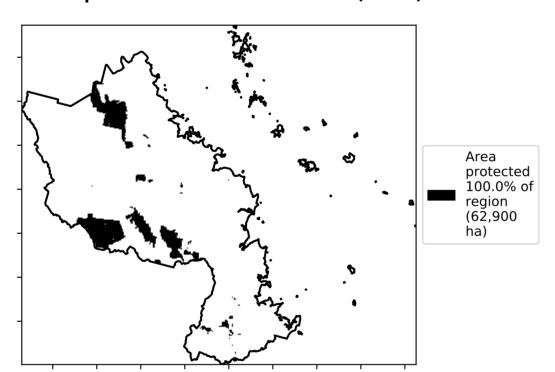
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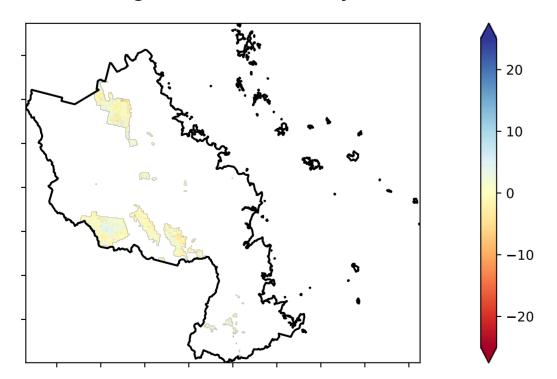
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

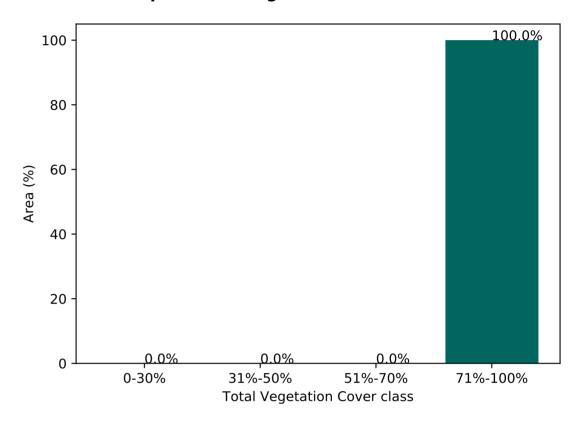


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

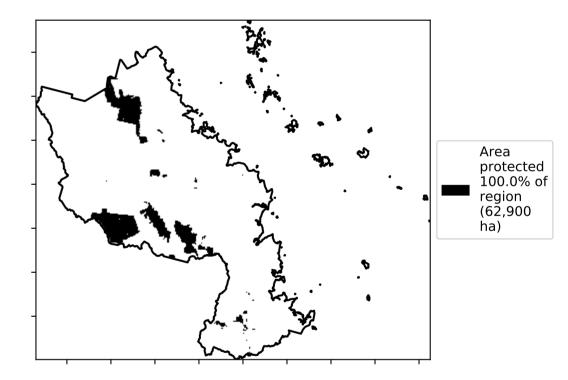


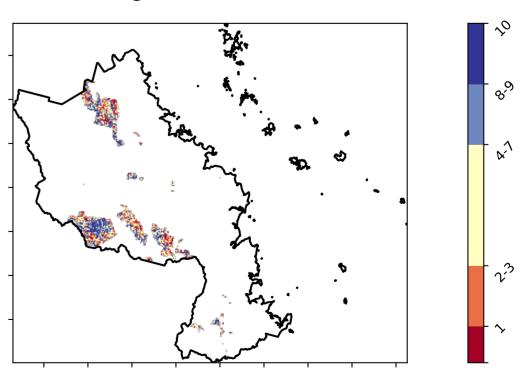
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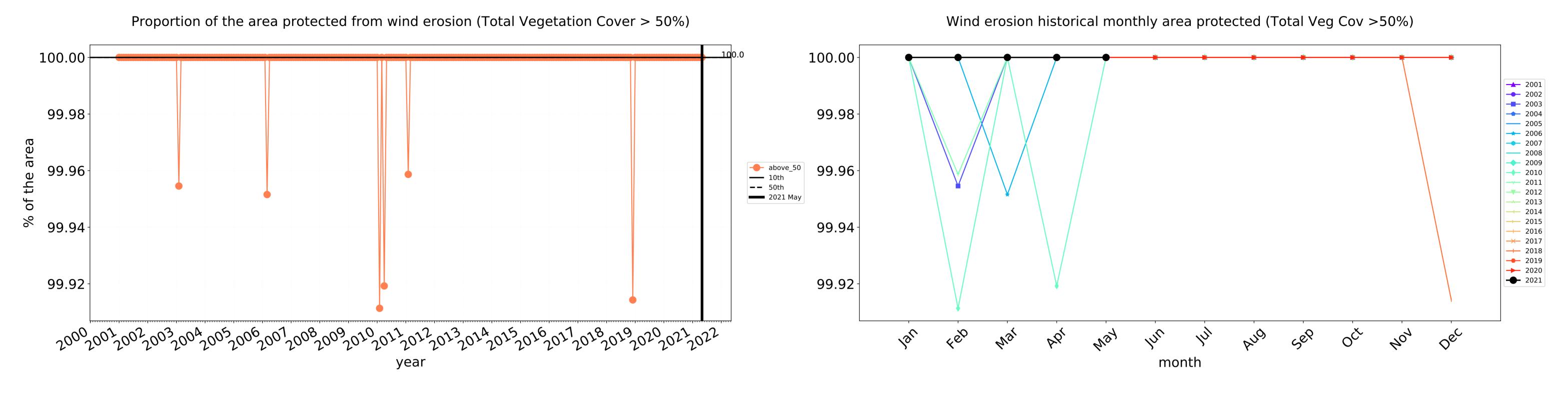


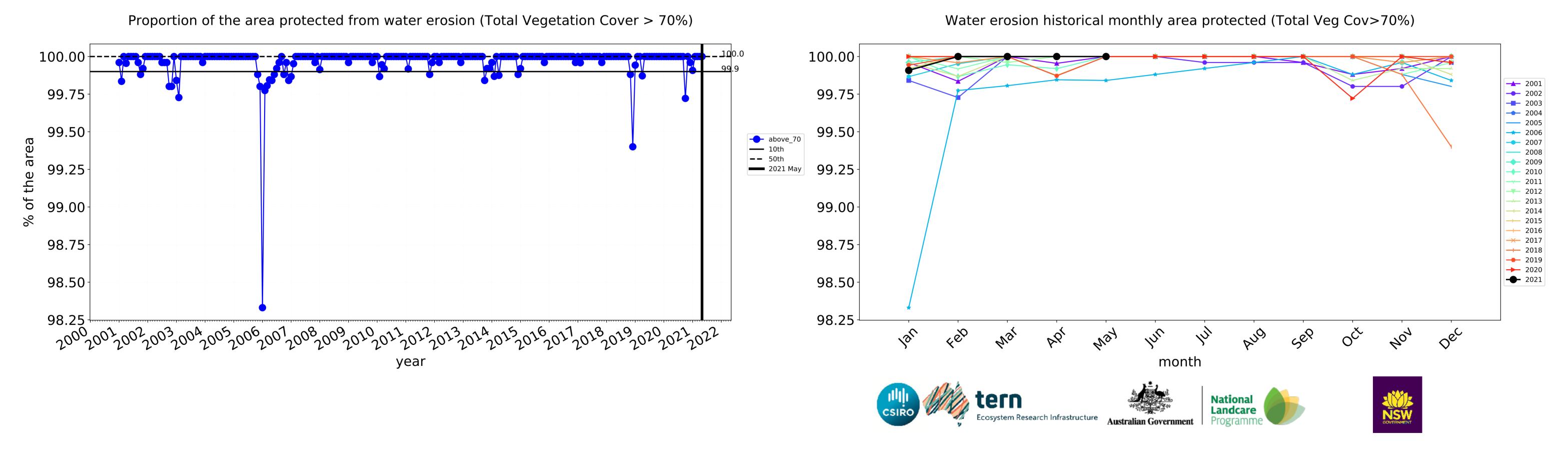


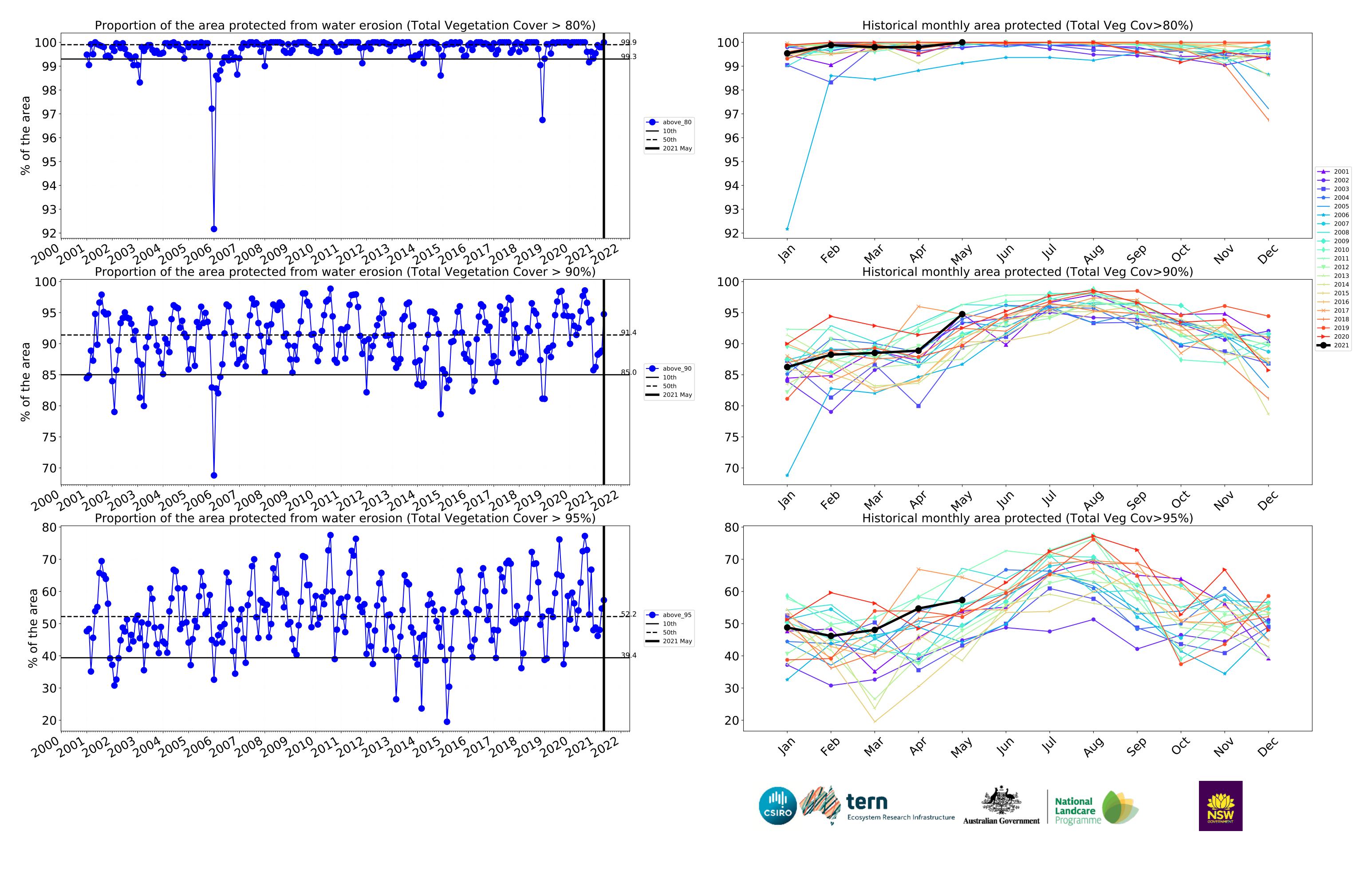




Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries







Mackay_(R) (749,325 ha and no data 11,986 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	749,325	99.9% 748,925	99.8% 747,900	98.7% 739,925	95.9% 718,350	64.8% 485,800	27.8% 208,325
Conservation and natural environments	192,425	99.9% 192,325	99.8% 192,050	99.0% 190,575	97.7% 187,975	81.5% 156,800	41.7% 80,250
Conservation and natural environments non forest	4,975	98.5% 4,900	97.5% 4,850	88.9% 4,425	71.9% 3,575	40.7% 2,025	16.1% 800
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	37,275	99.9% 37,250	99.8% 37,200	99.1% 36,950	96.2% 35,850	74.6% 27,800	29.9% 11,150
natural environments Forest (non woodland)	150,175	100.0% 150,175	99.9% 150,000	99.4% 149,200	98.9% 148,550	84.6% 126,975	45.5% 68,300
Agriculture	428,475	100.0% 428,400	100.0% 428,300	99.8% 427,825	97.8% 419,125	58.6% 250,975	20.5% 87,800
Grazing	295,850	100.0% 295,775	99.9% 295,675	99.8% 295,375	99.3% 293,900	77.9% 230,425	29.1% 85,975
Grazing non forest	140,075	99.9% 140,000	99.9% 139,925	99.7% 139,675	98.8% 138,450	69.6% 97,500	22.5% 31,500
Grazing Woodland forest	108,725	100.0% 108,725	100.0% 108,700	99.9% 108,650	99.7% 108,400	82.6% 89,850	27.1% 29,450
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	47,050	100.0% 47,050	100.0% 47,050	100.0% 47,050	100.0% 47,050	91.6% 43,075	53.2% 25,025
Irrigation	132,025	100.0% 132,025	100.0% 132,025	99.9% 131,850	94.4% 124,625	15.1% 19,950	1.2% 1,600
Production native forests and plantation forests	62,900	100.0% 62,900	100.0% 62,900	100.0% 62,900	100.0% 62,900	94.8% 59,600	57.3% 36,050







