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

Date: December 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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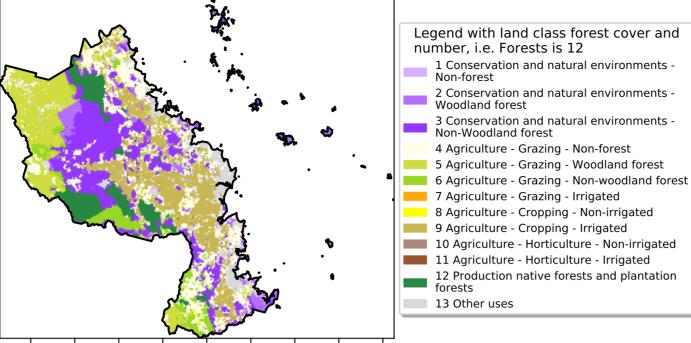


Vegetation Cover Dec 2024

Land use and forest cover

Proportion of each land class in area





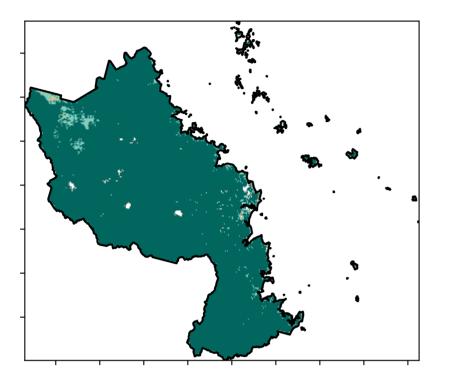
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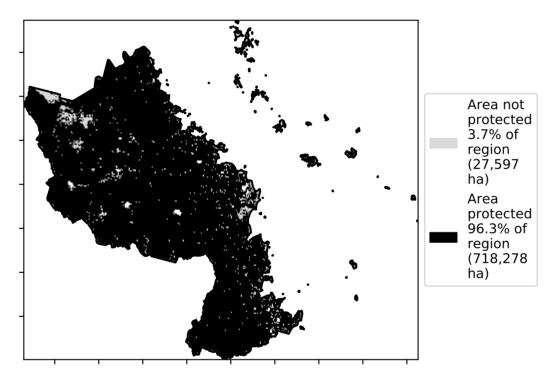
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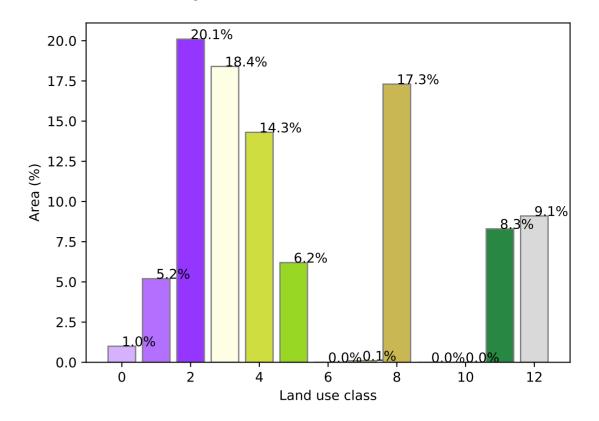
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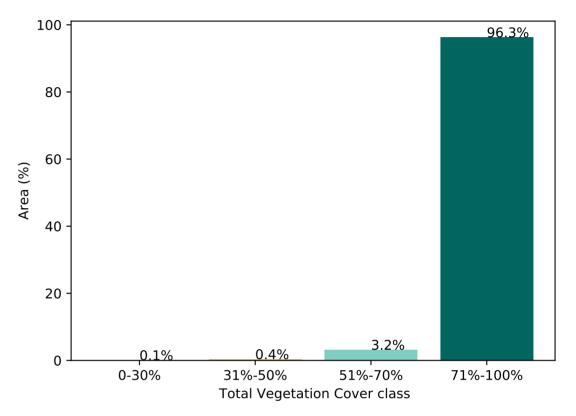


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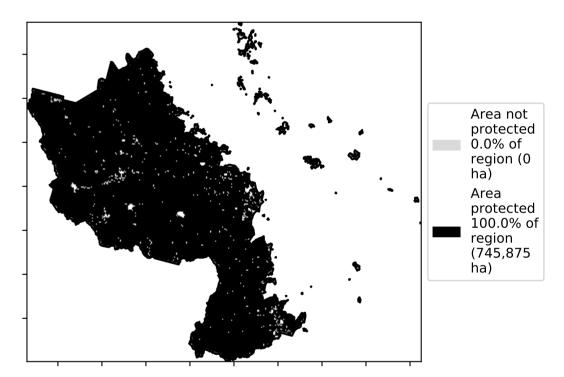




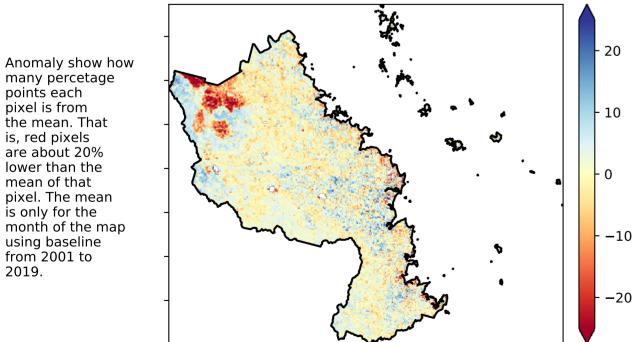
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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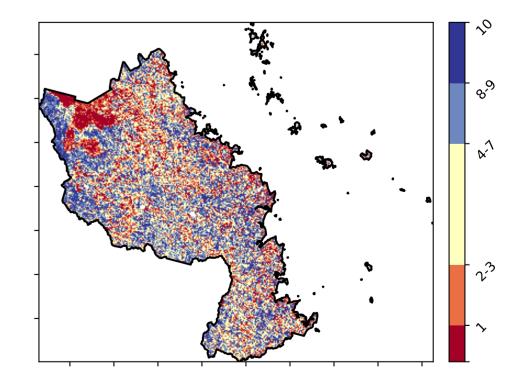


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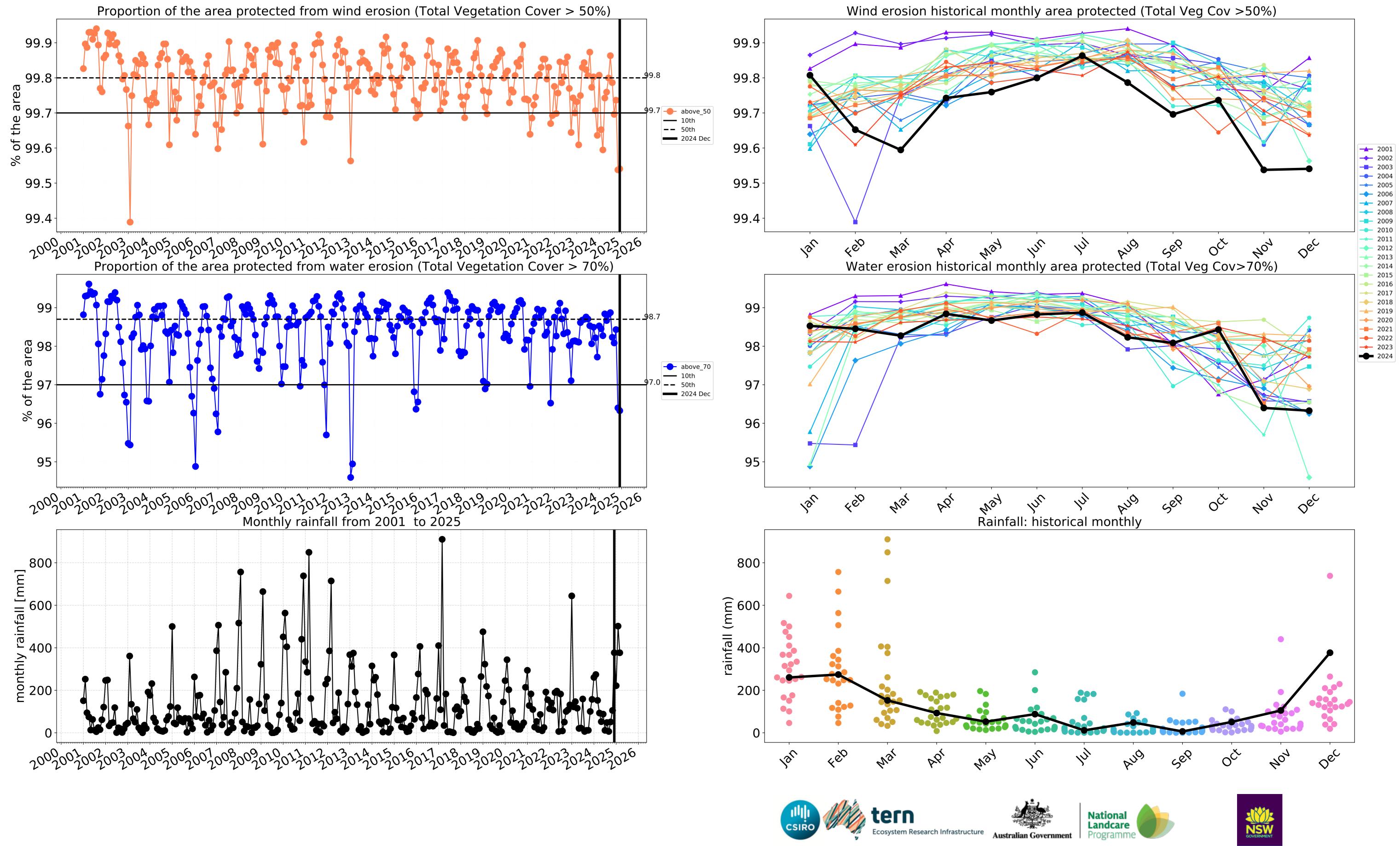
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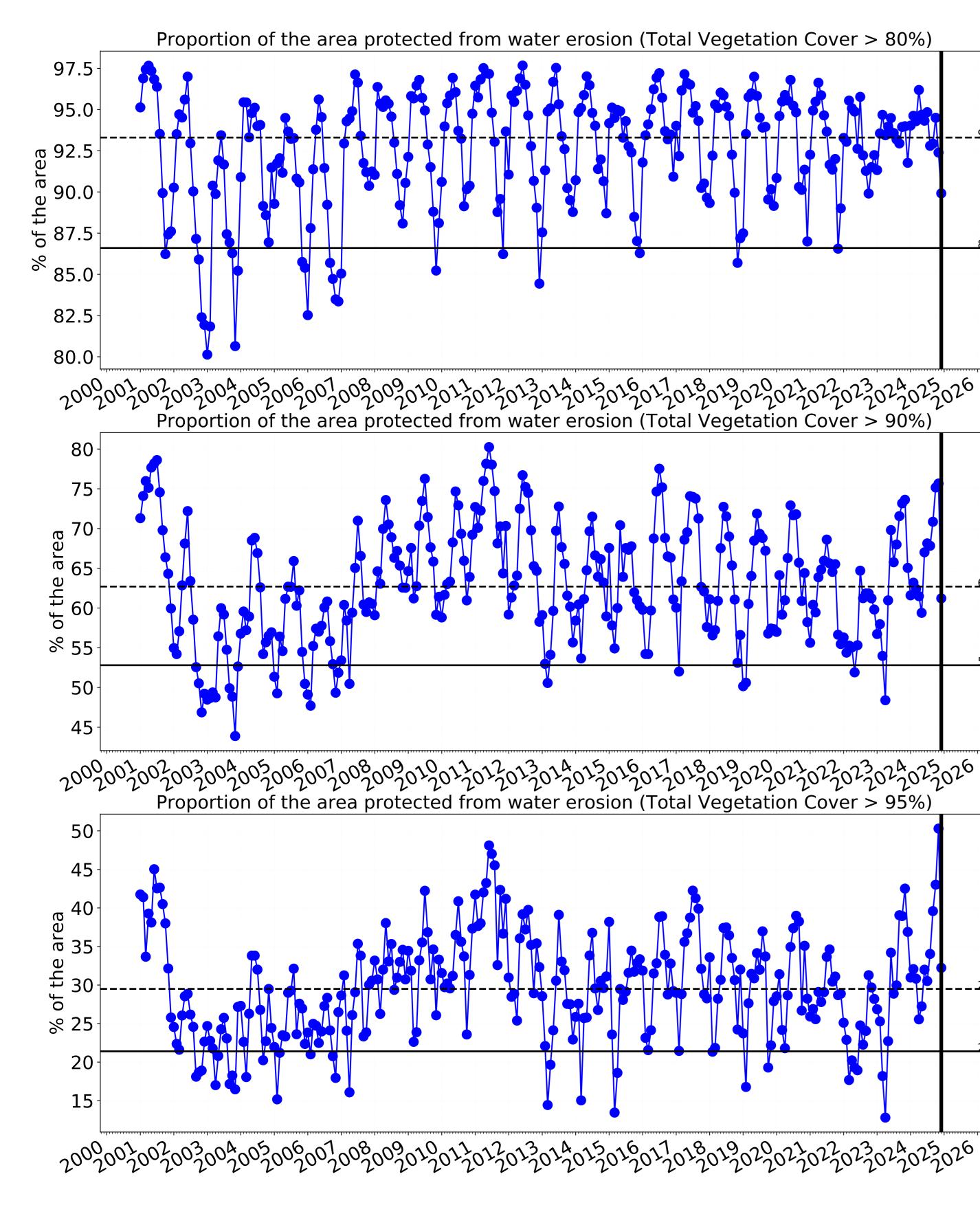


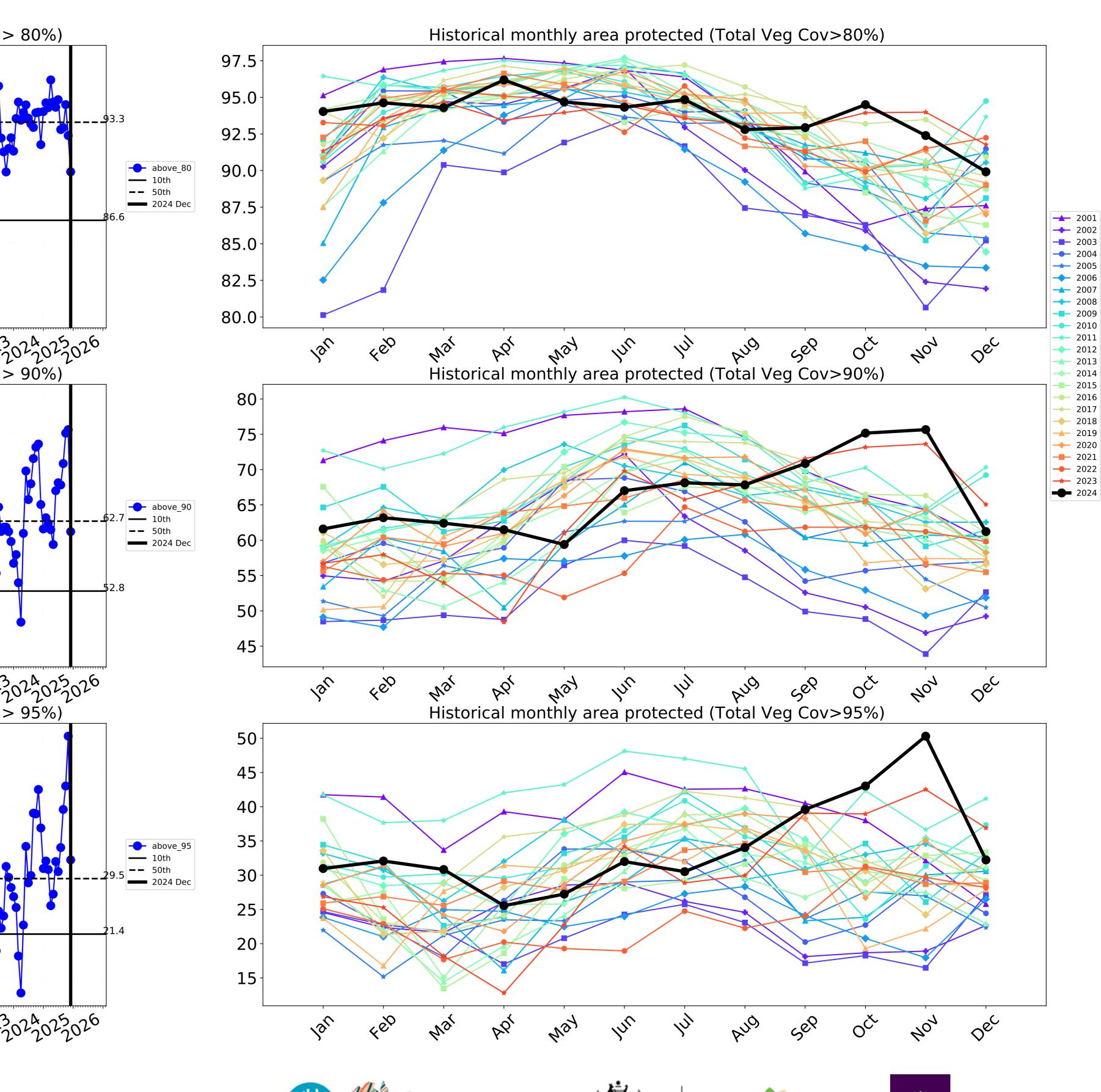


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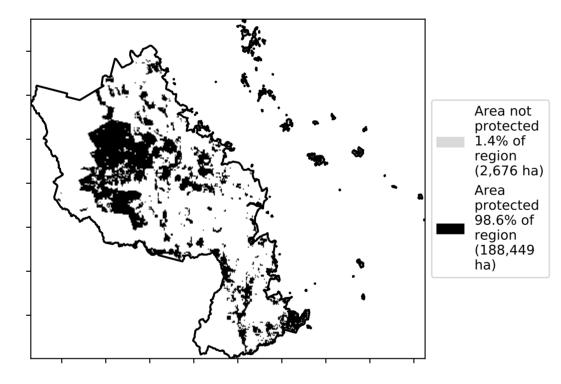
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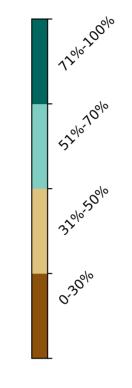
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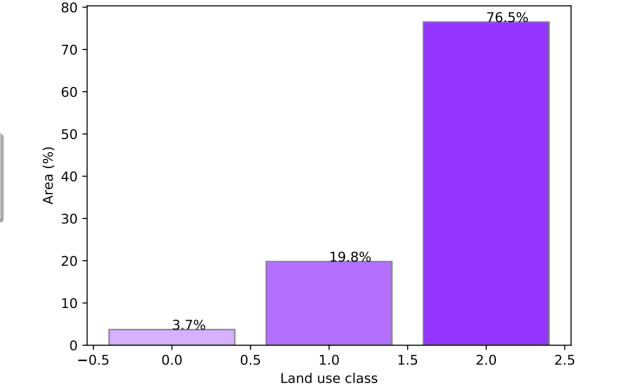
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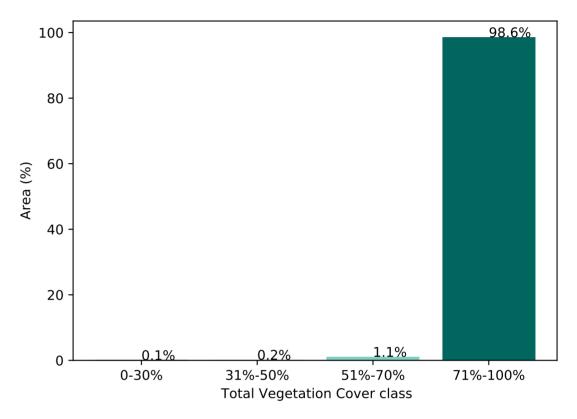




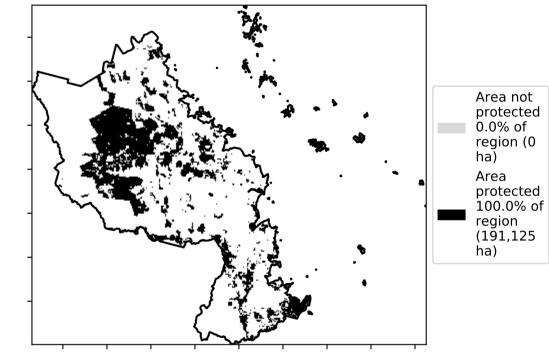


Proportion of each land class in area

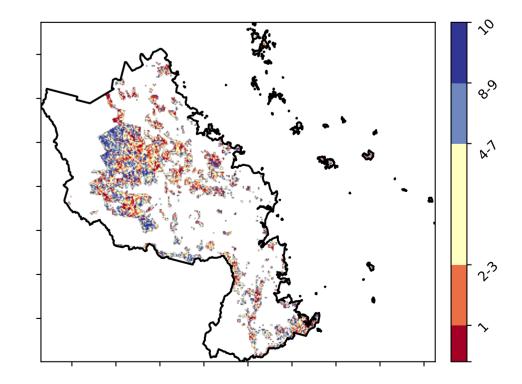
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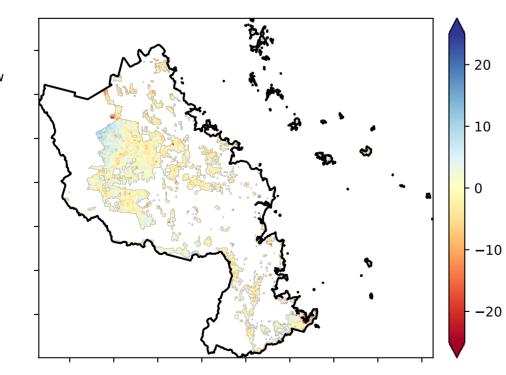
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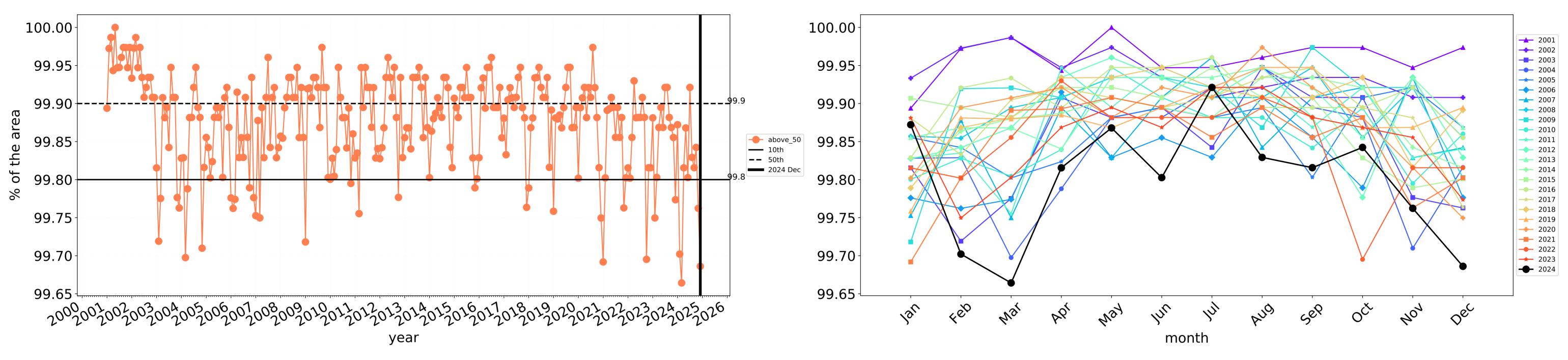
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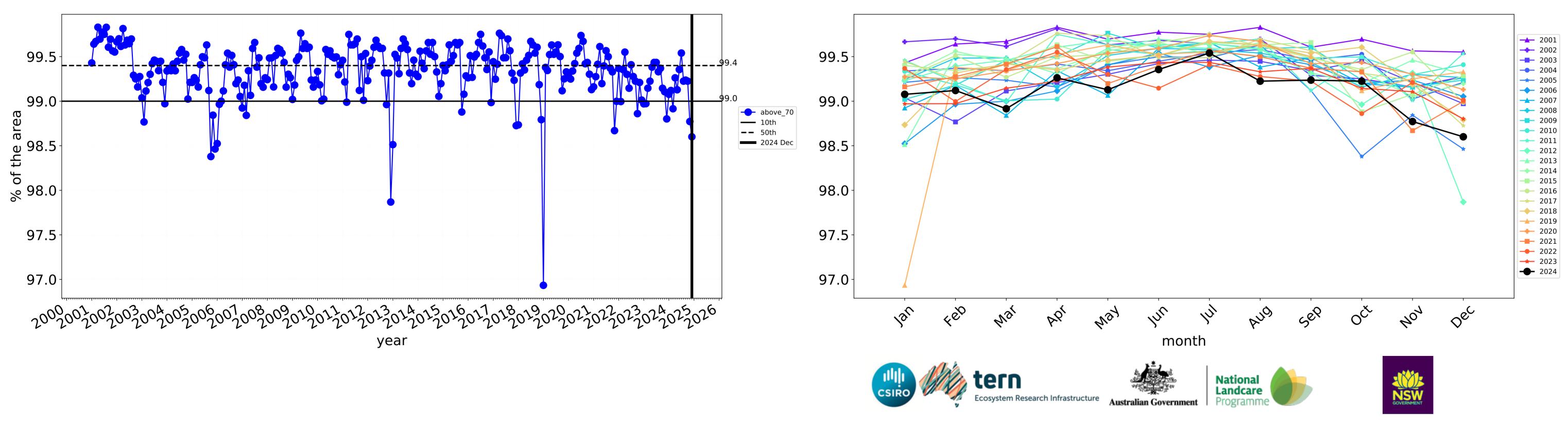
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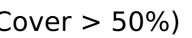
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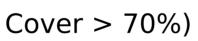


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



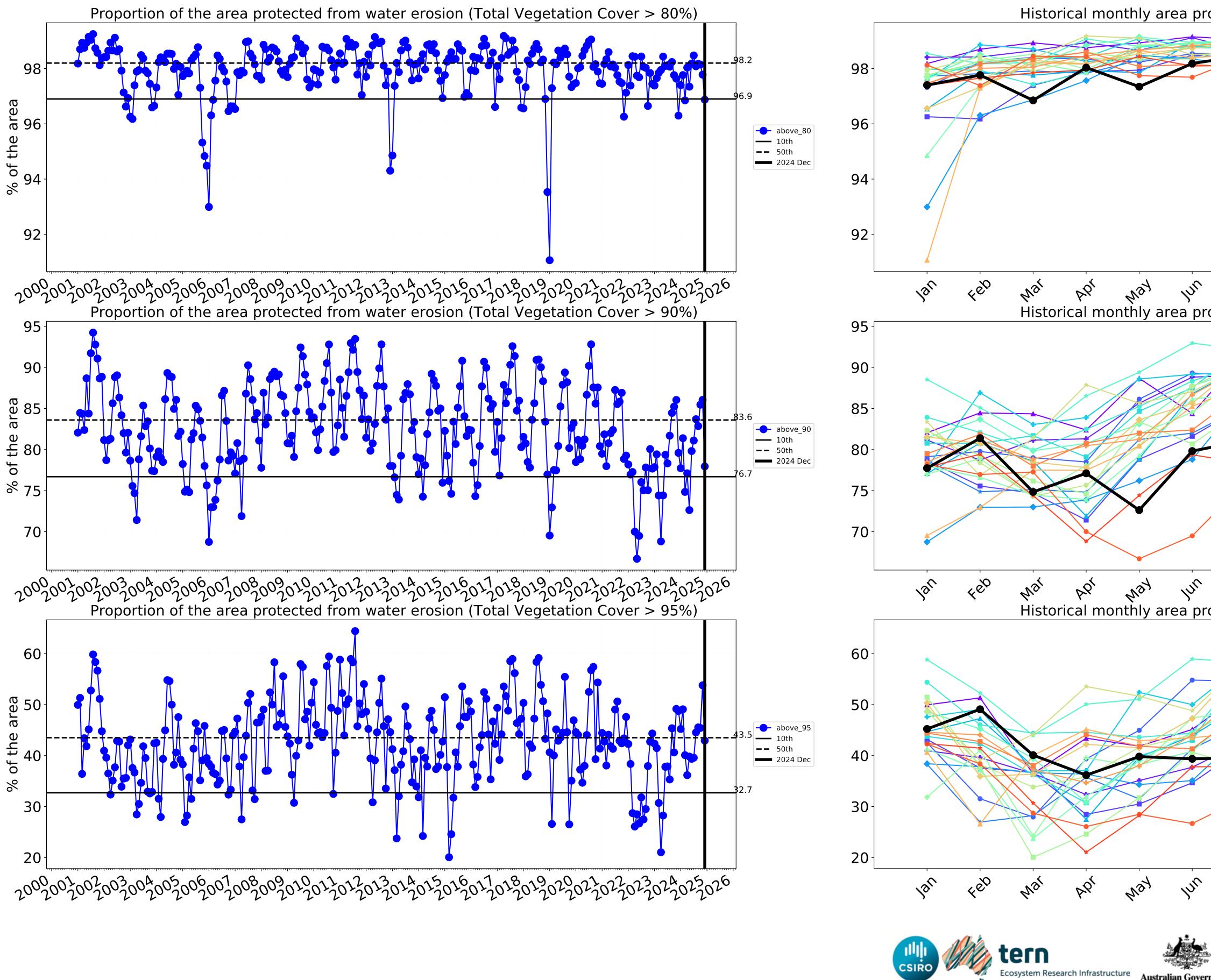


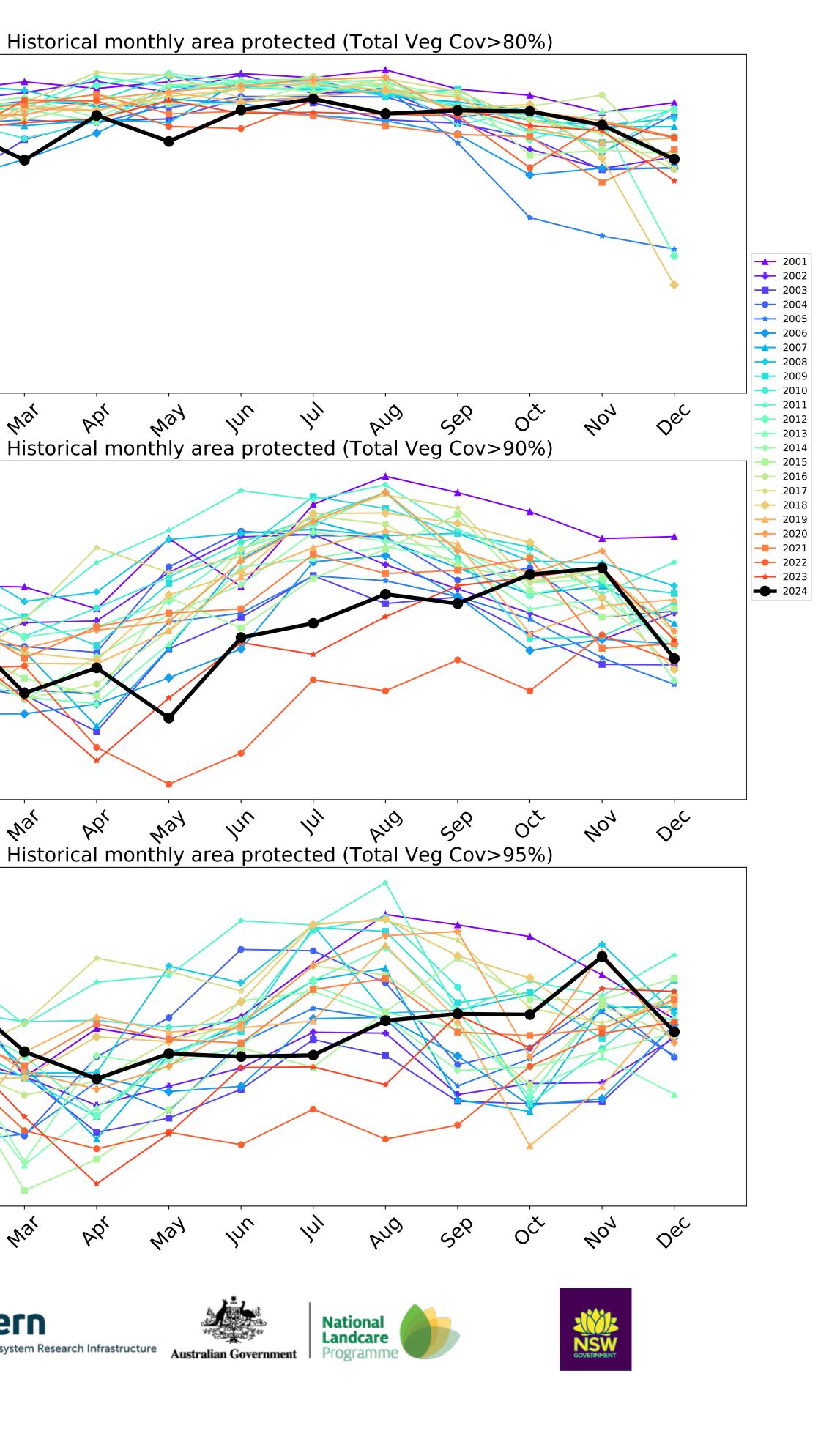
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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







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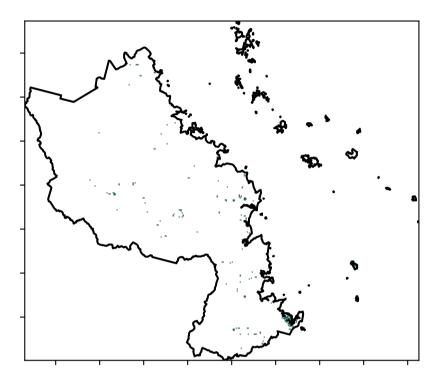
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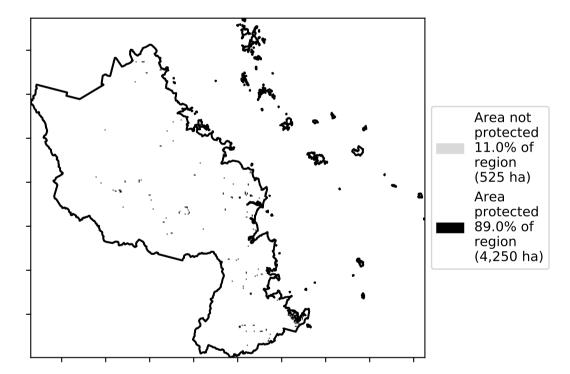
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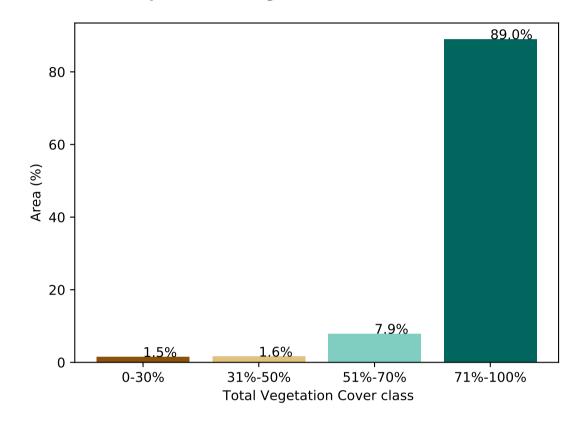
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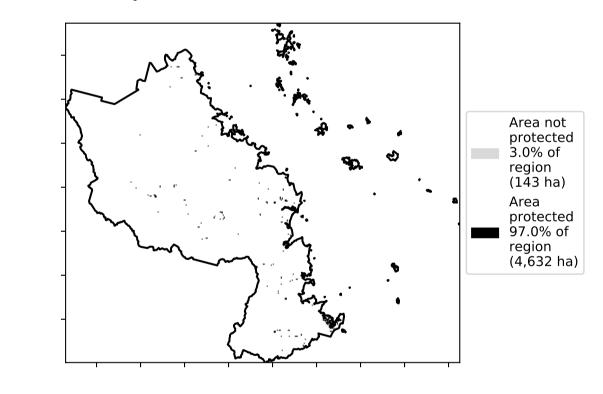
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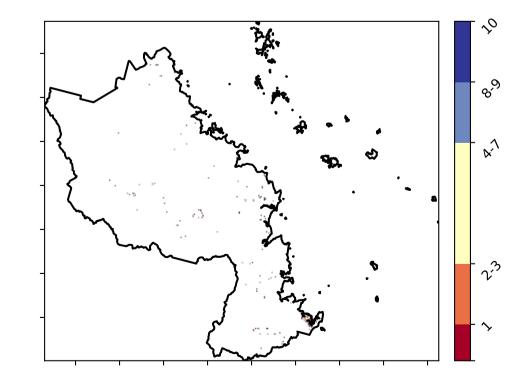




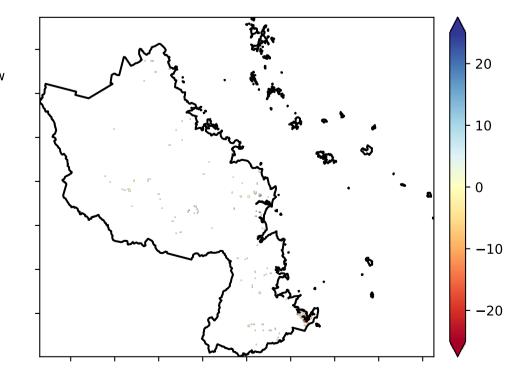
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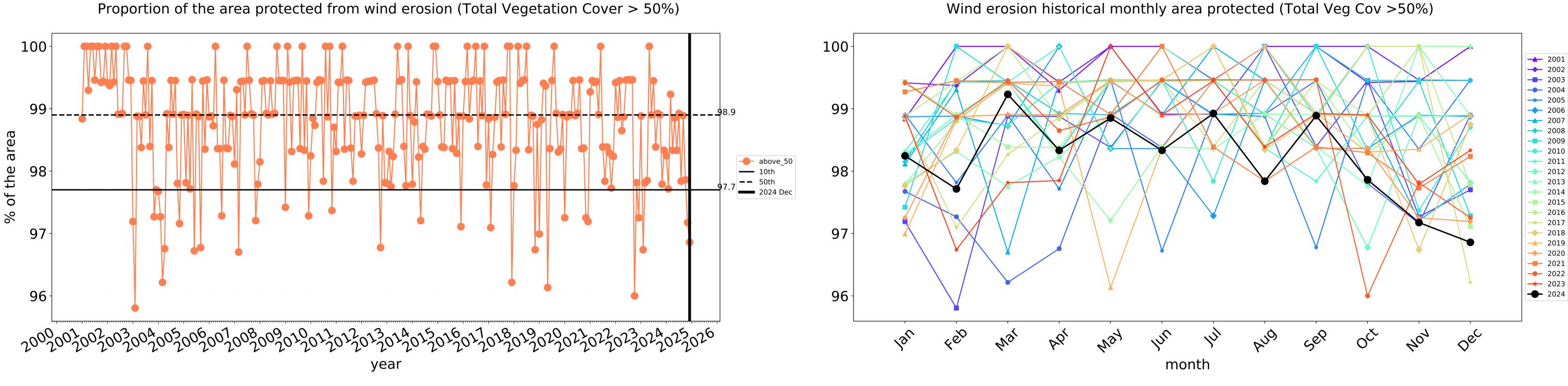
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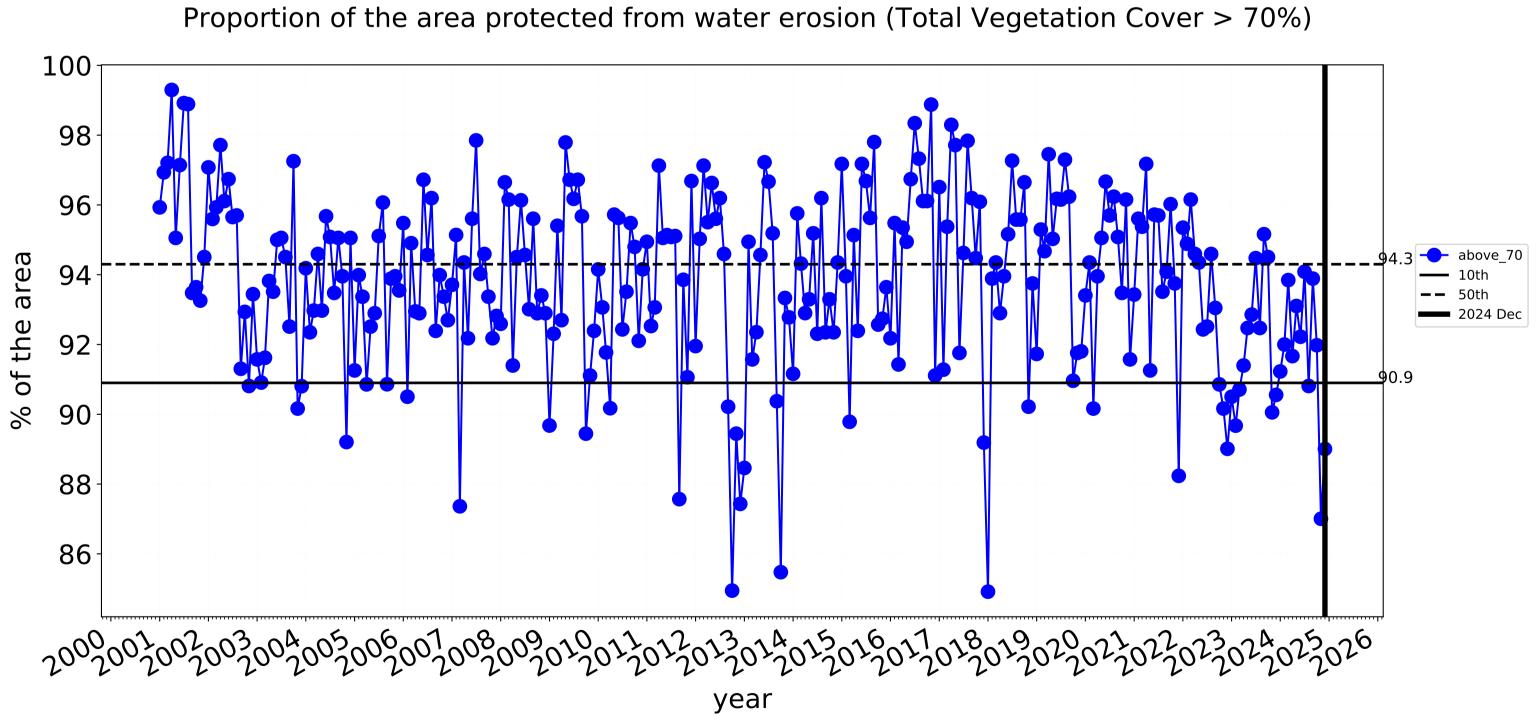
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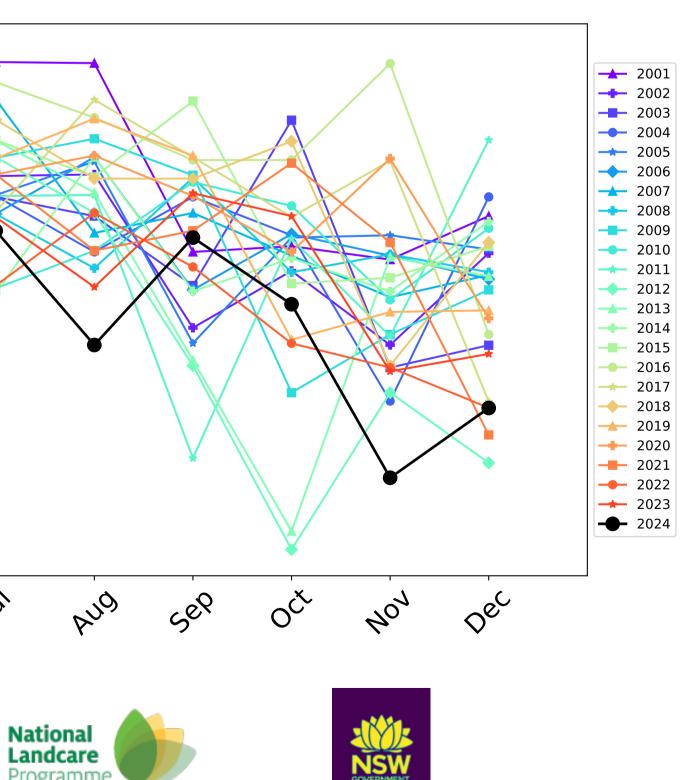
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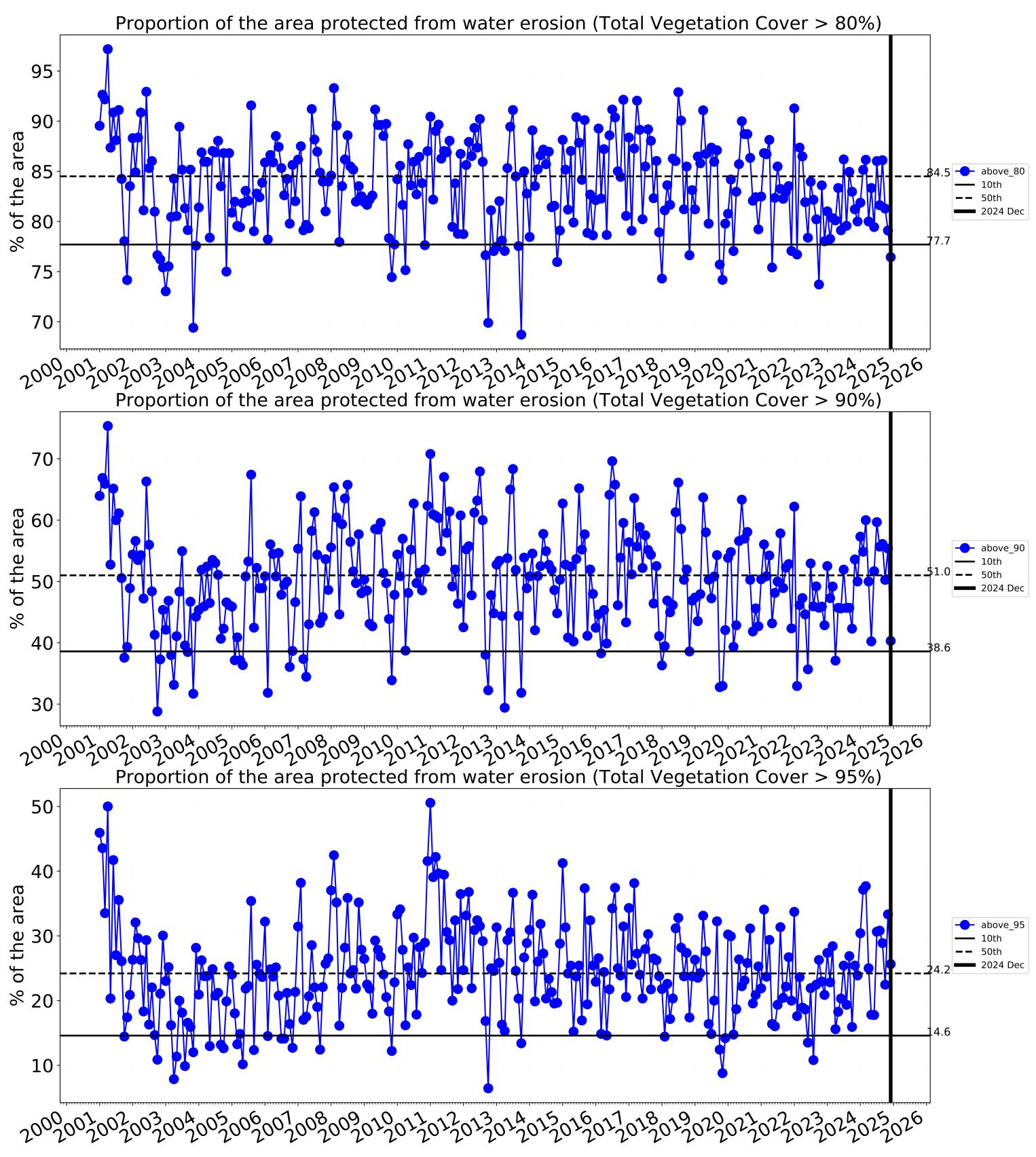


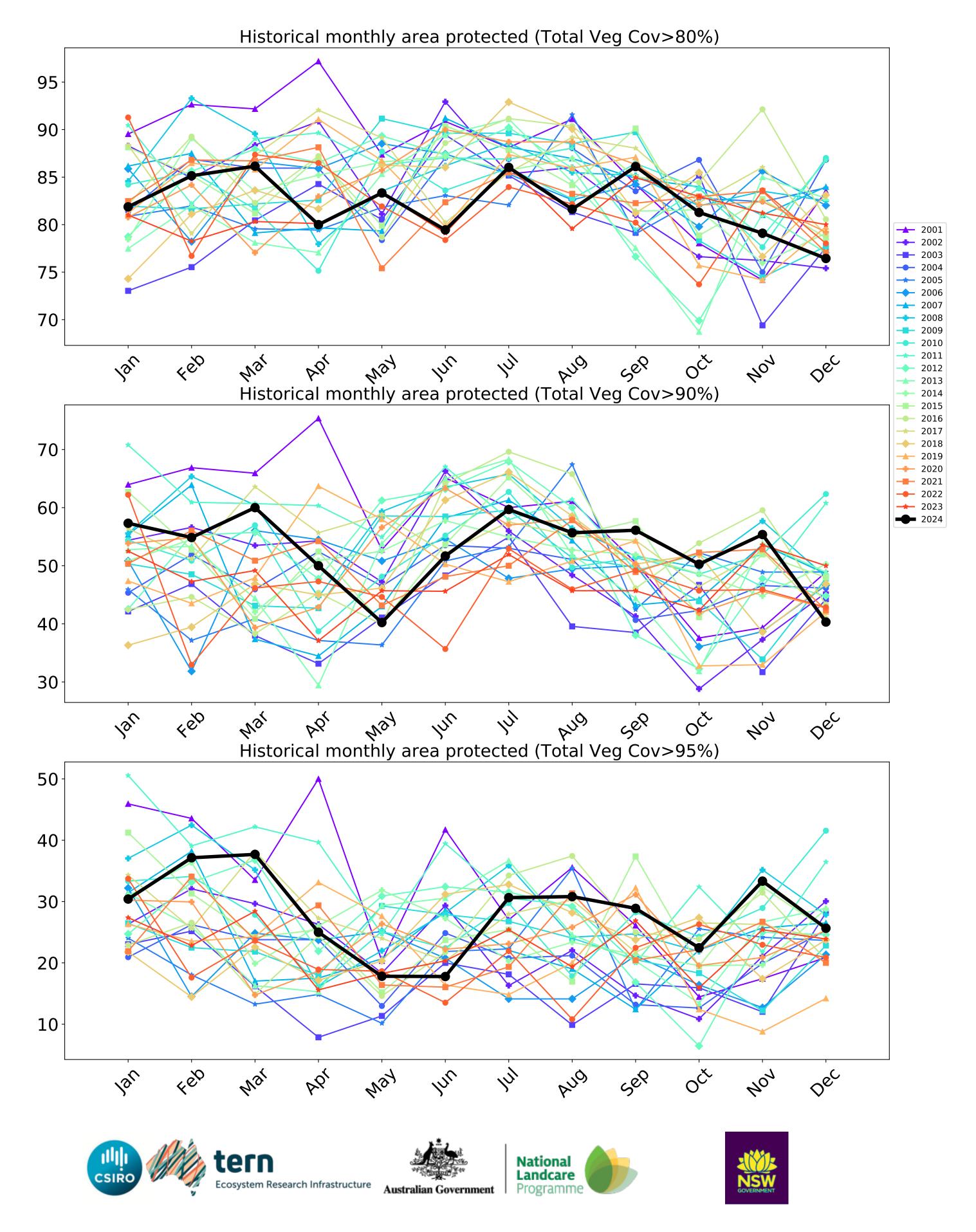




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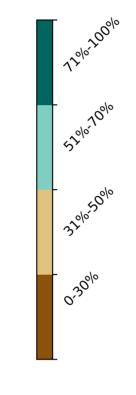
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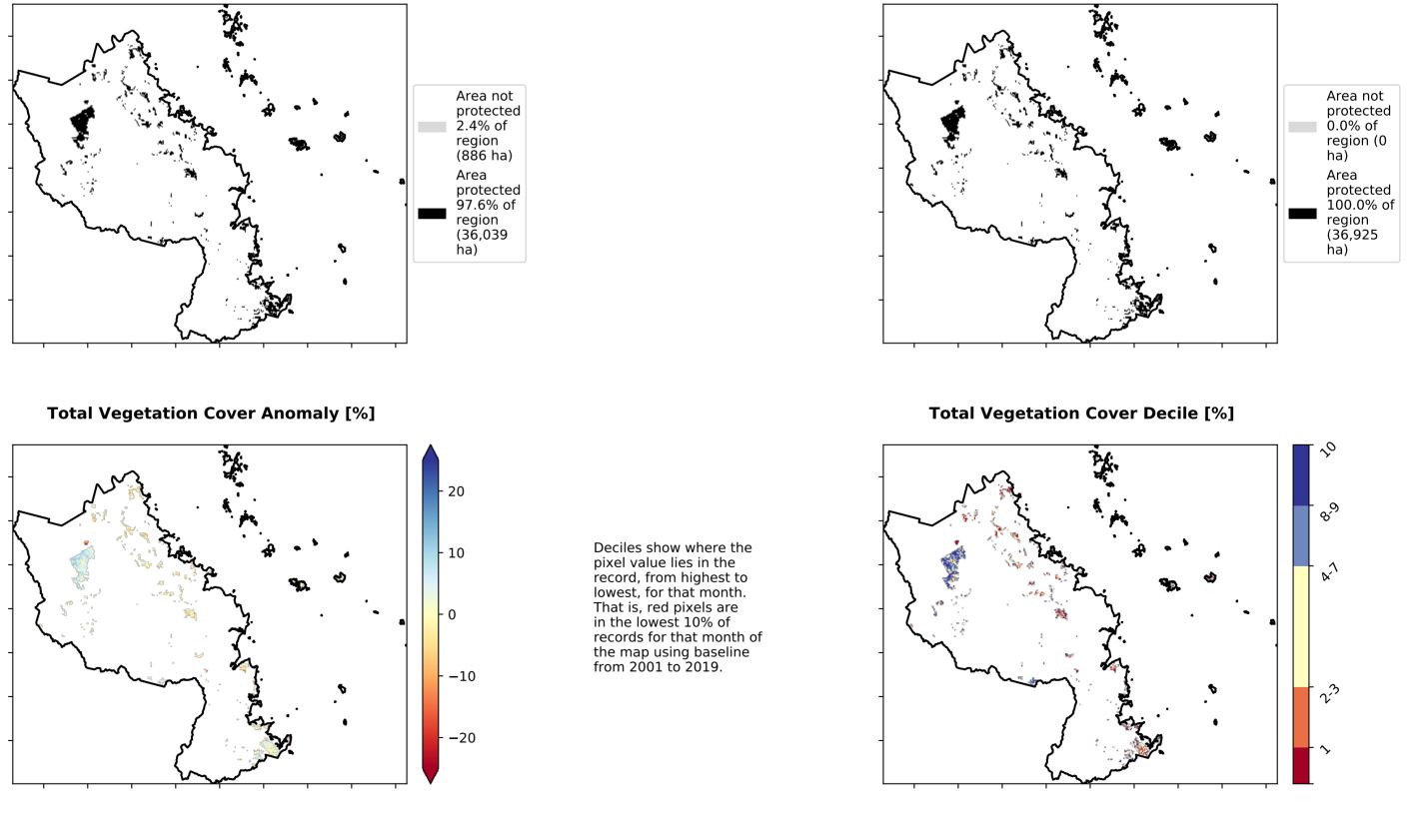
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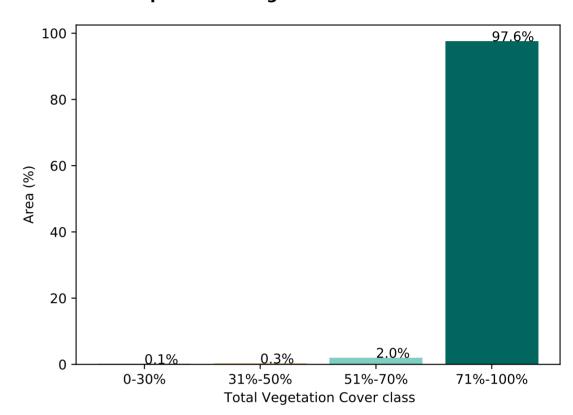
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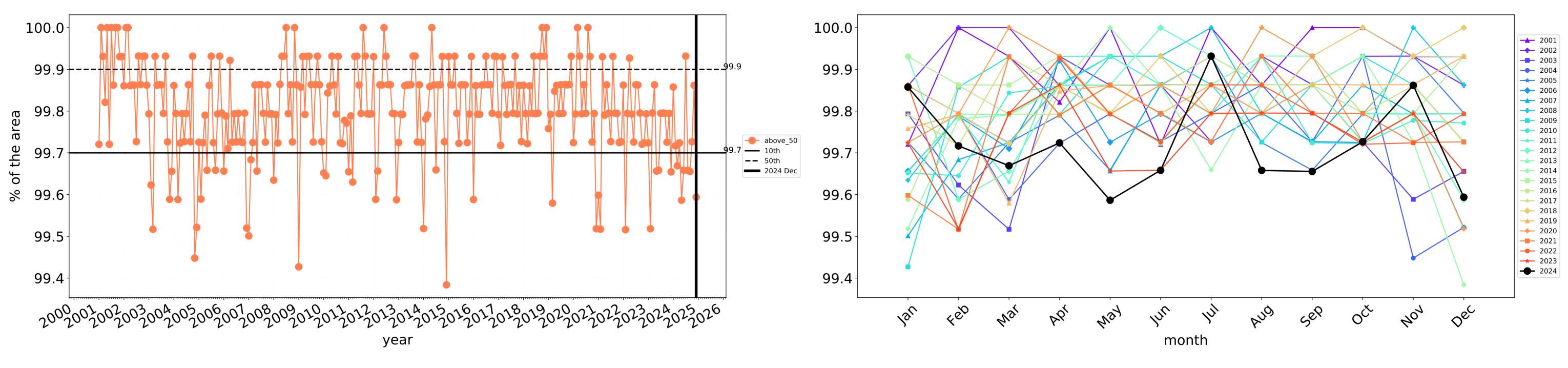




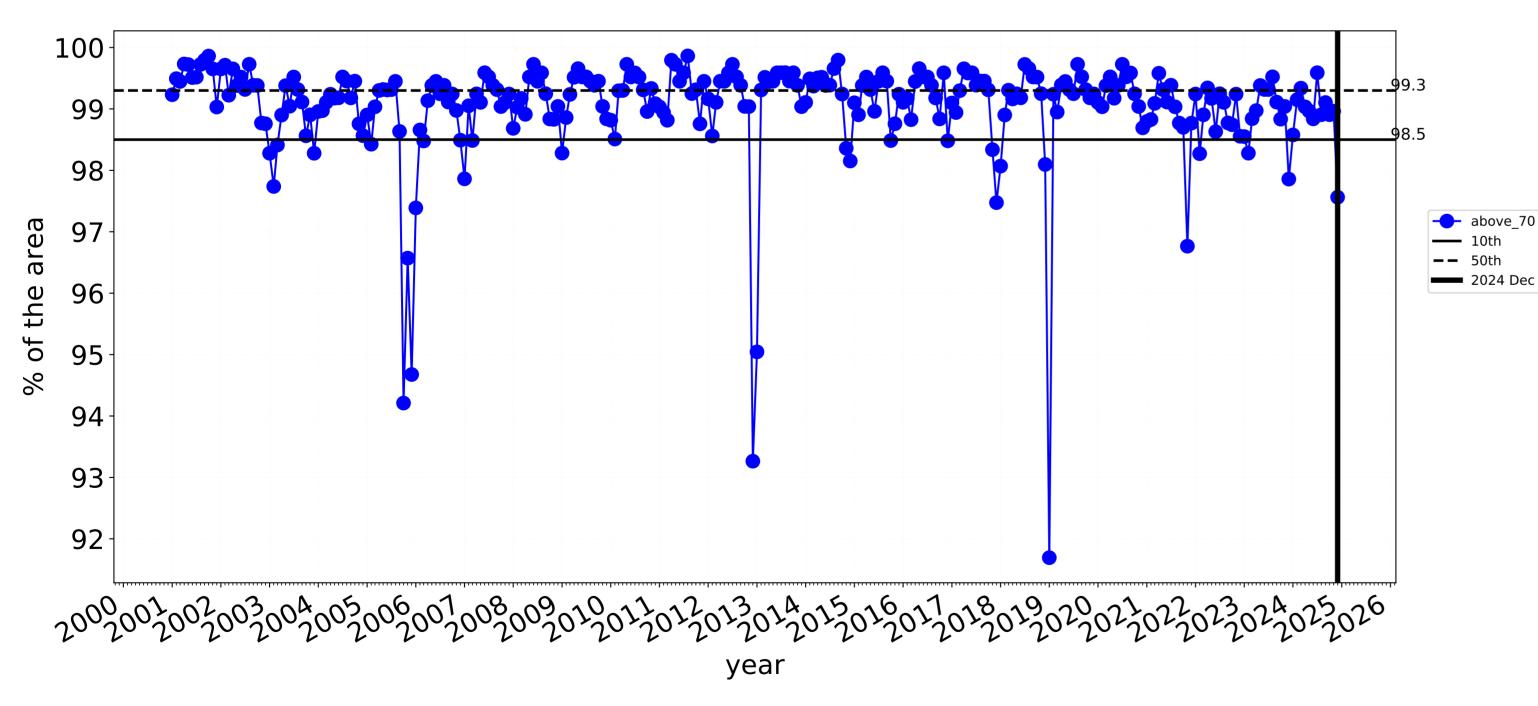


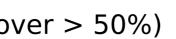
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

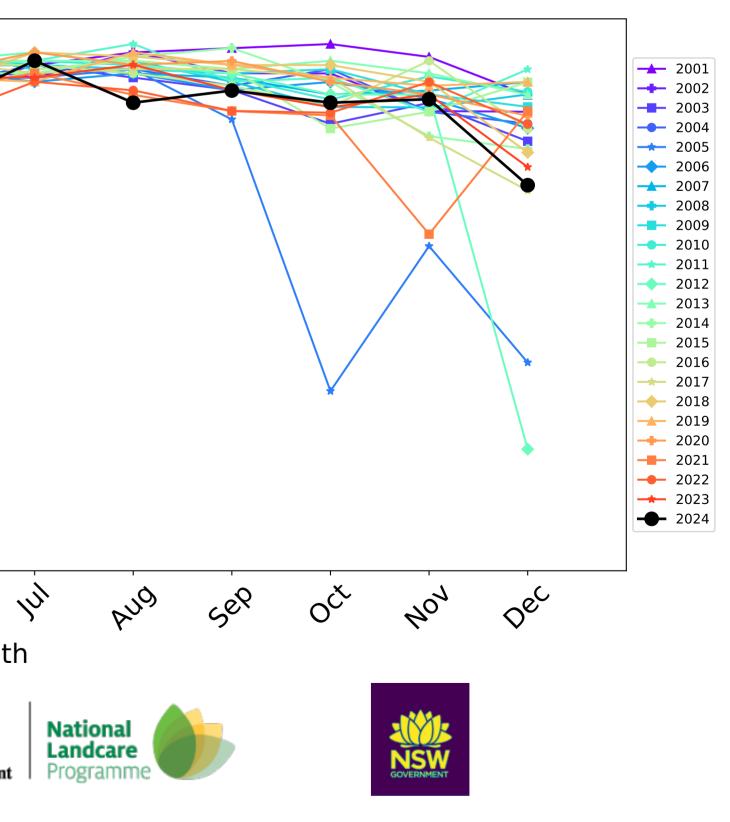


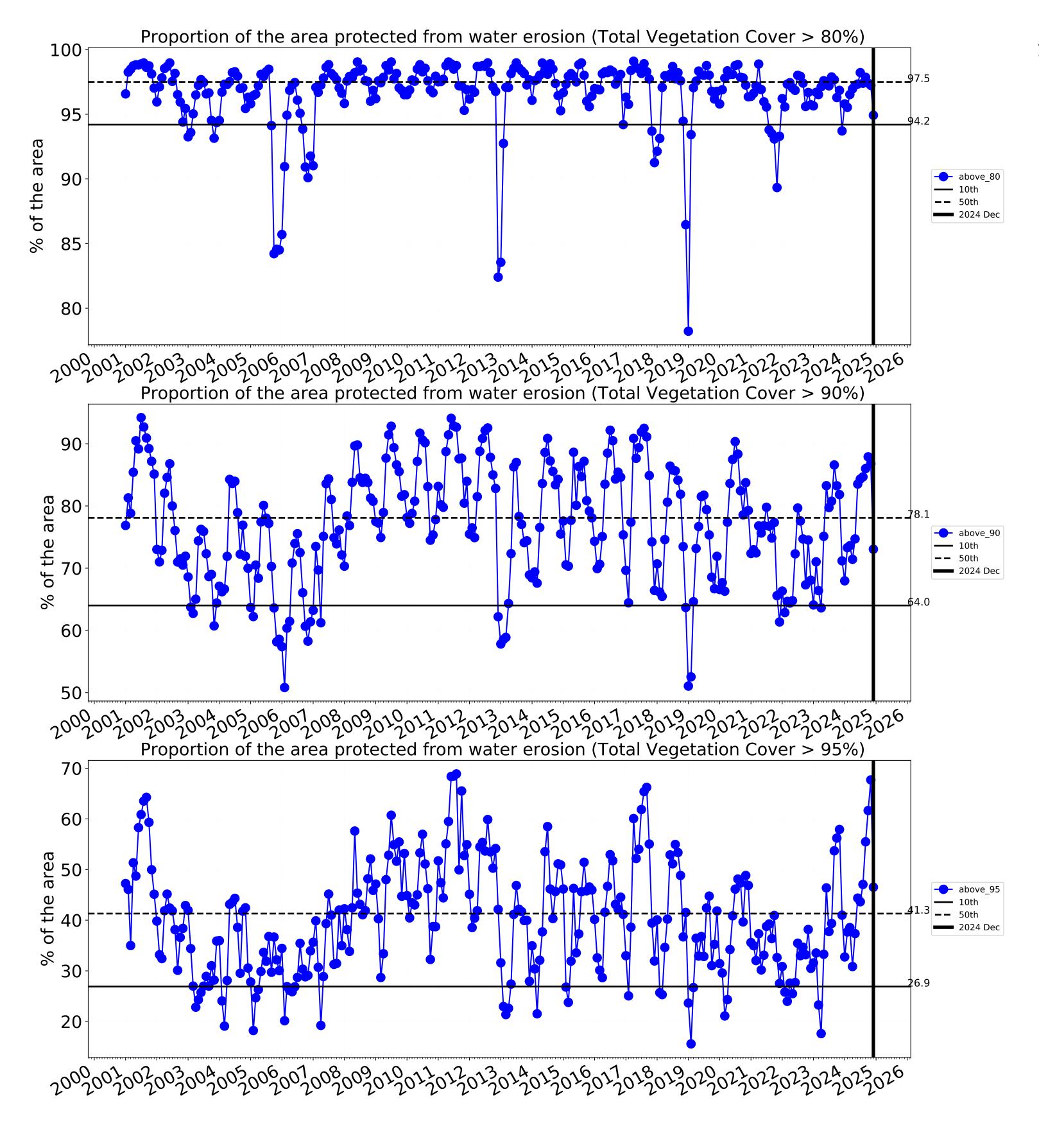


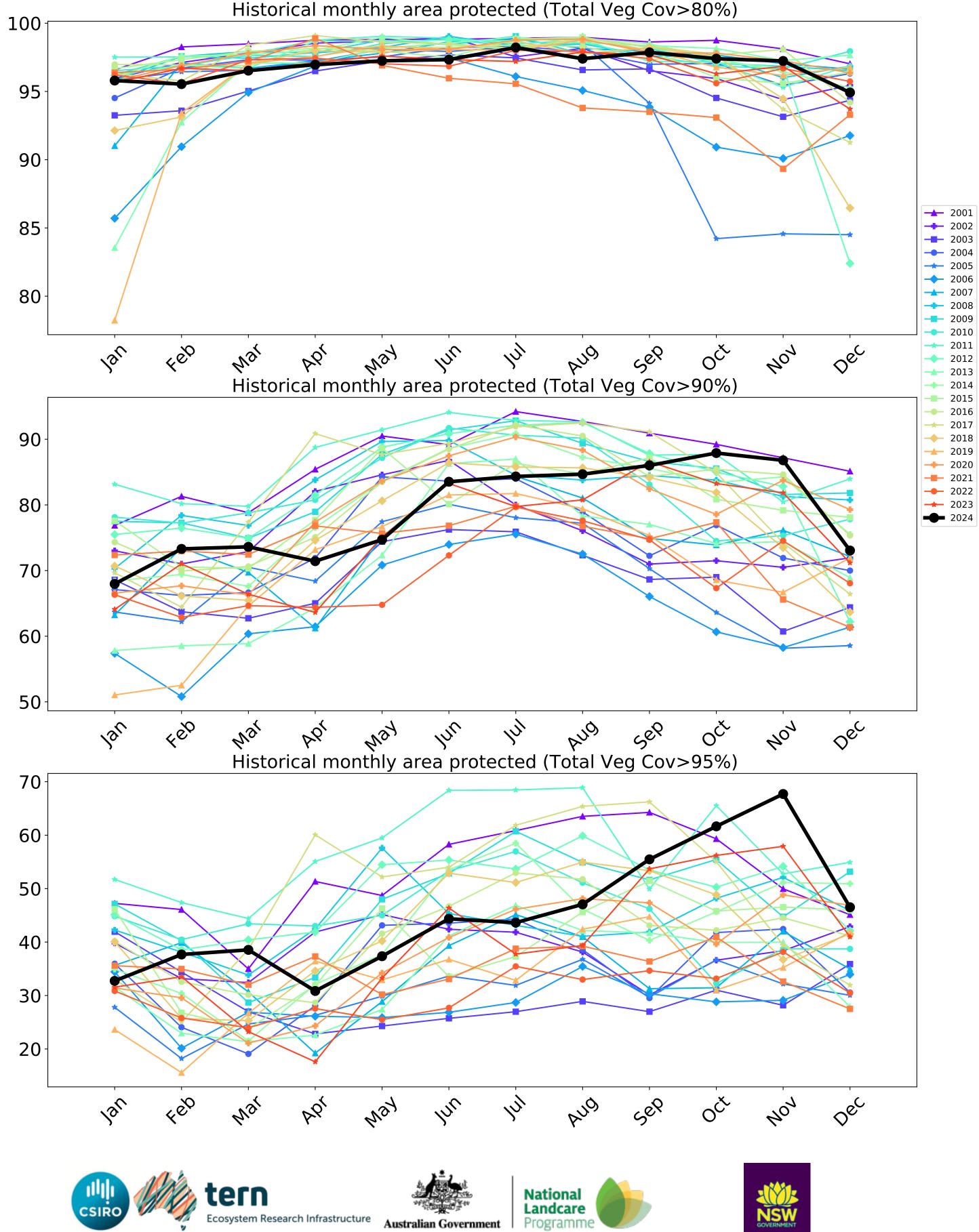
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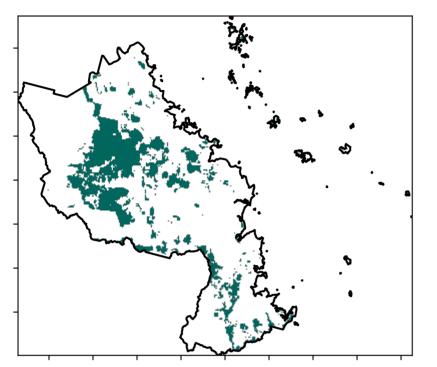




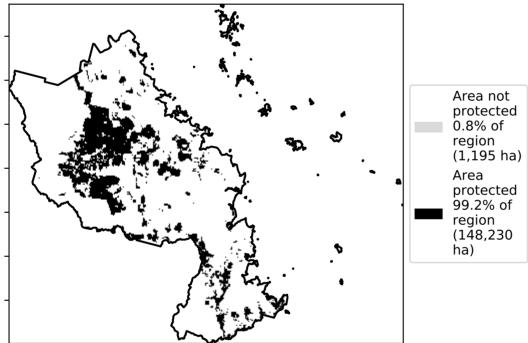
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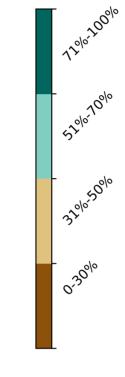
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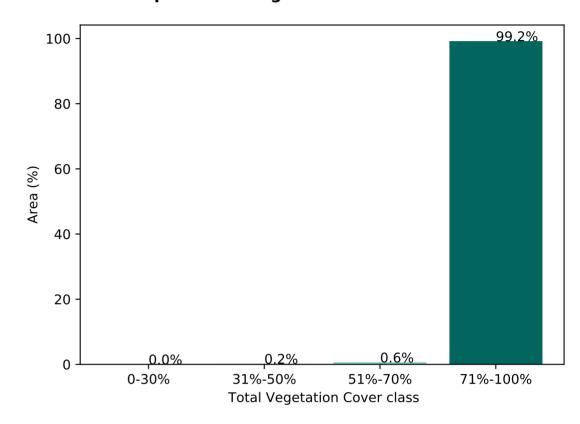
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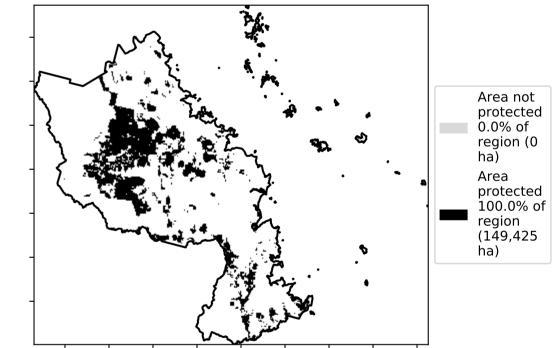




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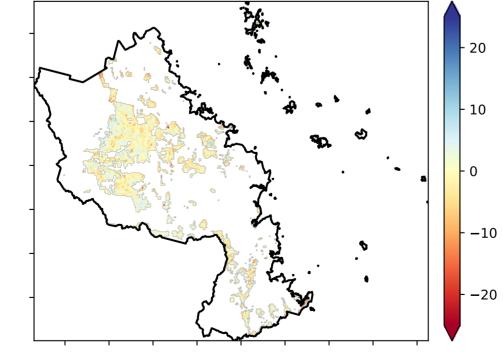


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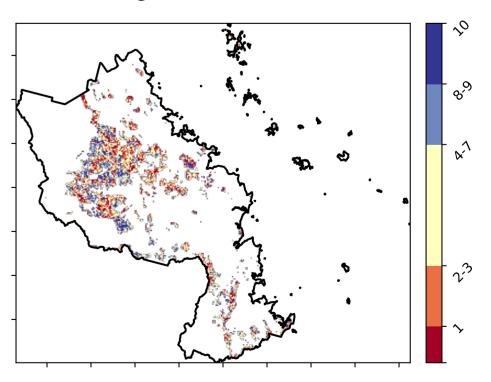
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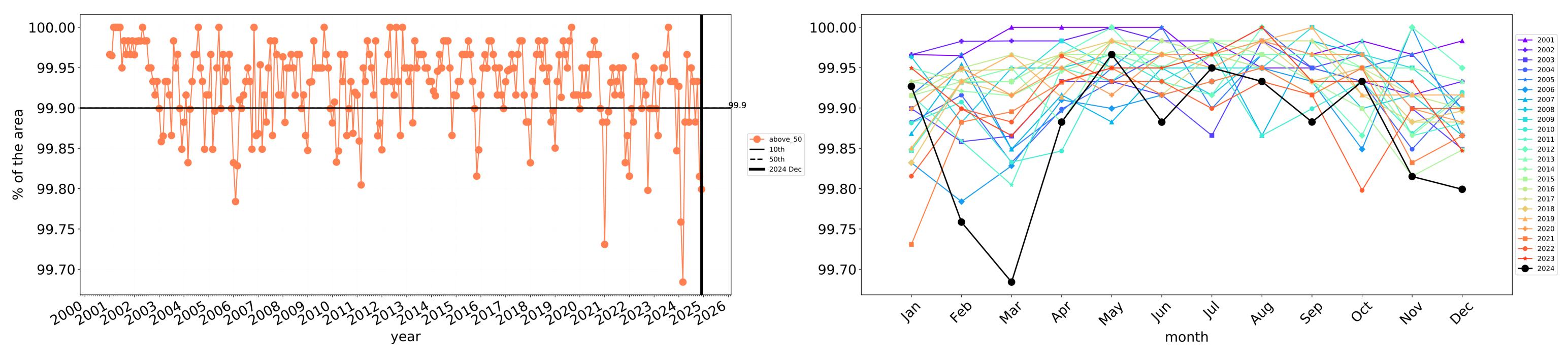


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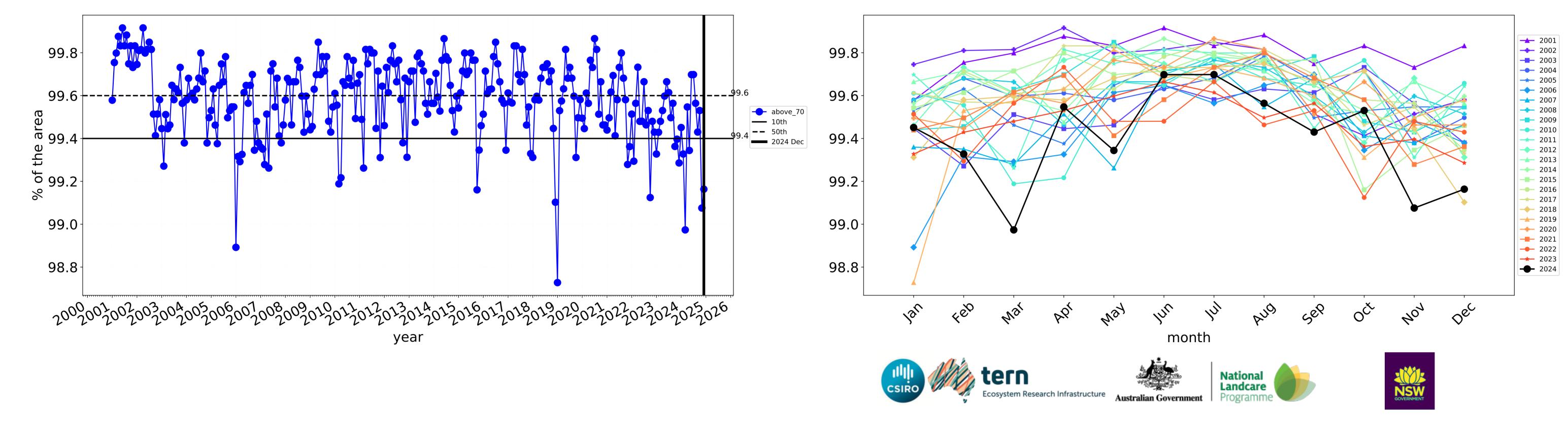






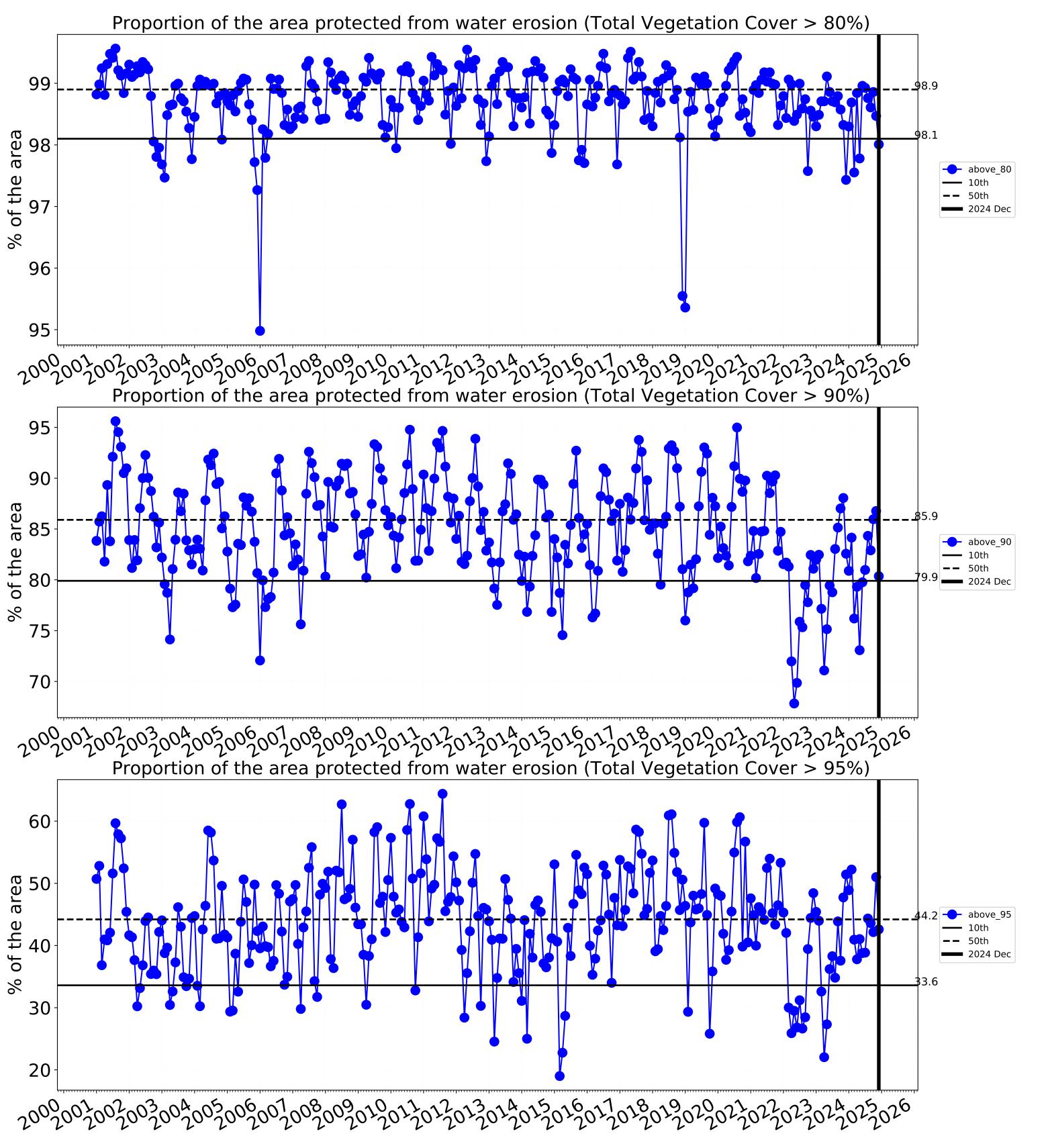
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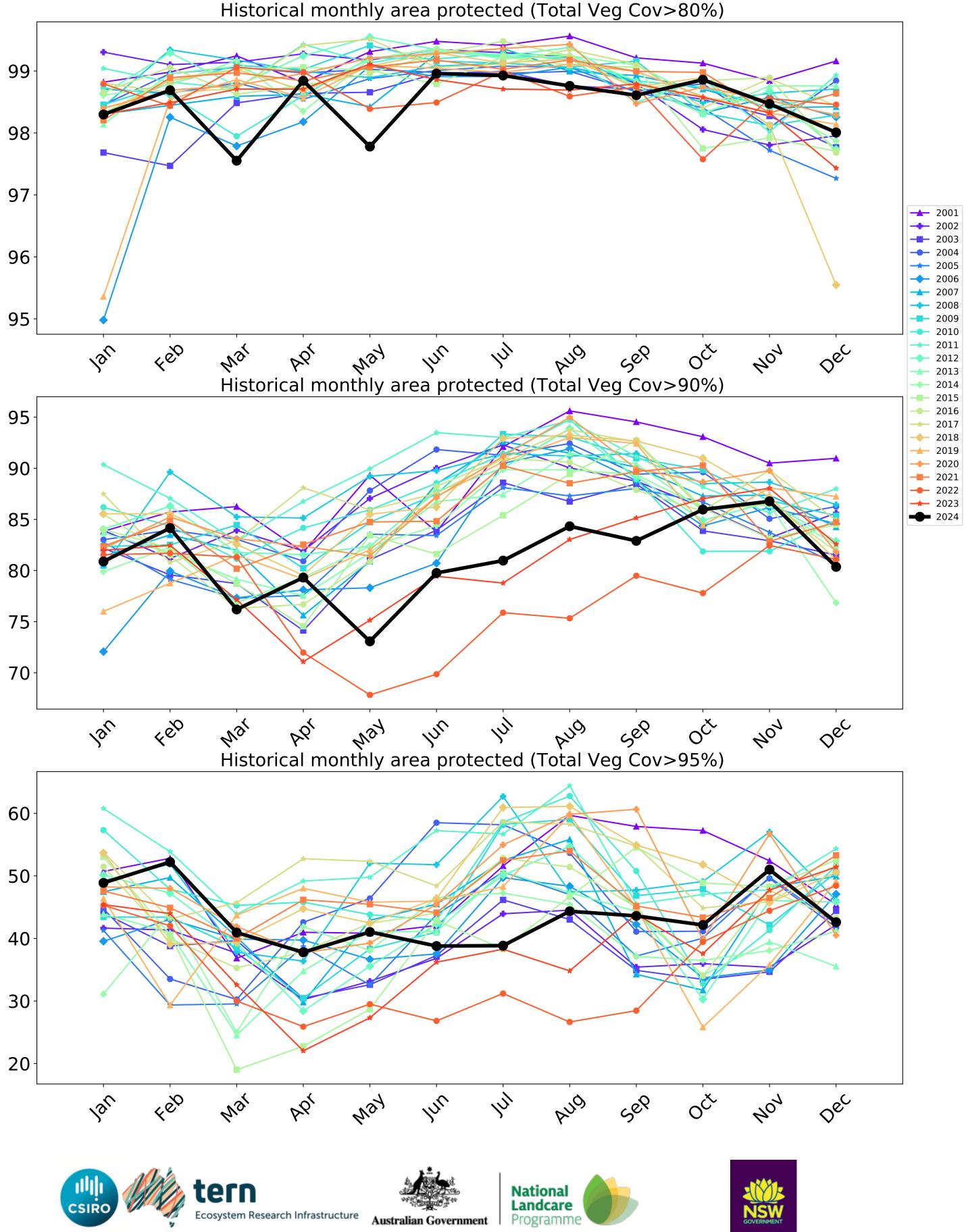
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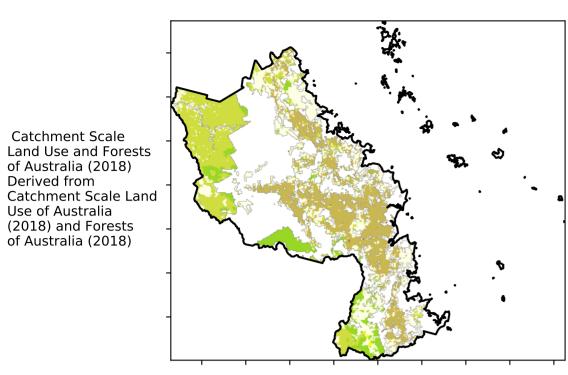




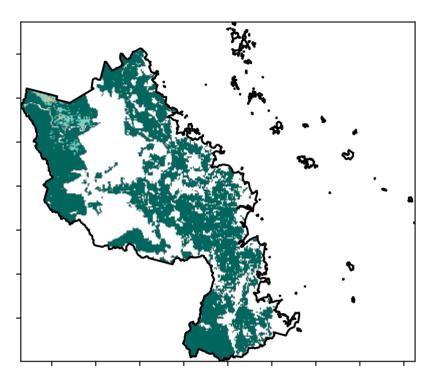


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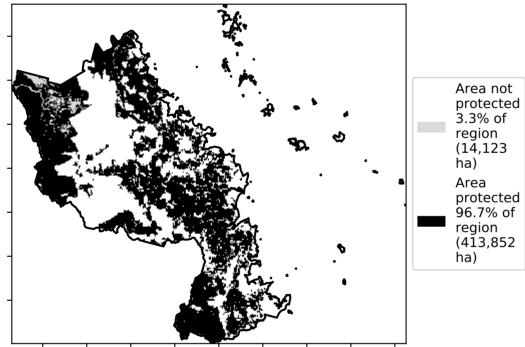
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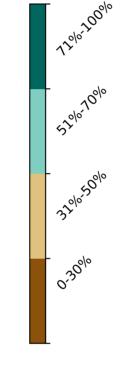


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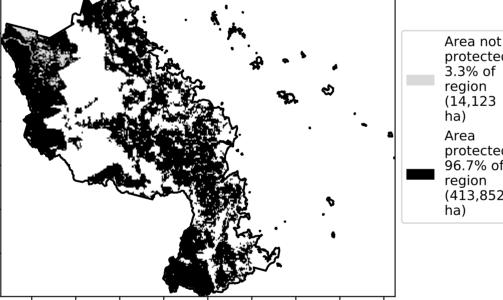
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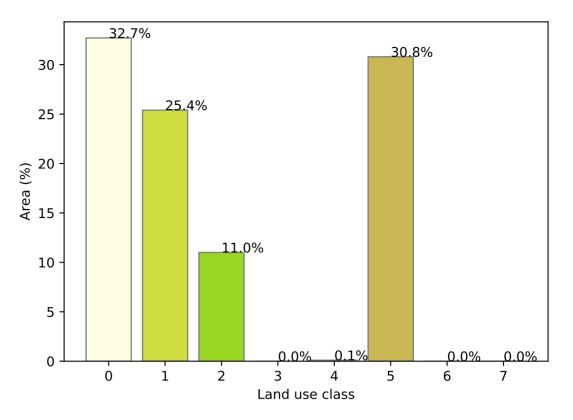
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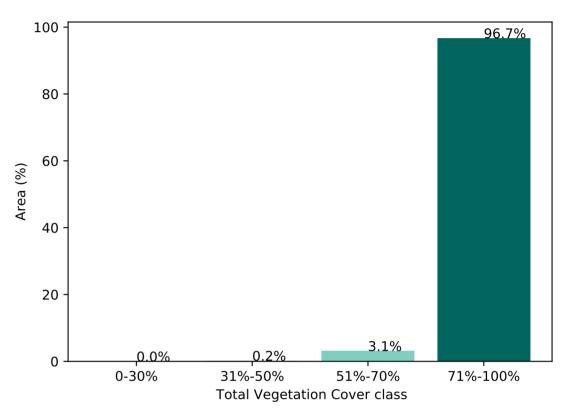
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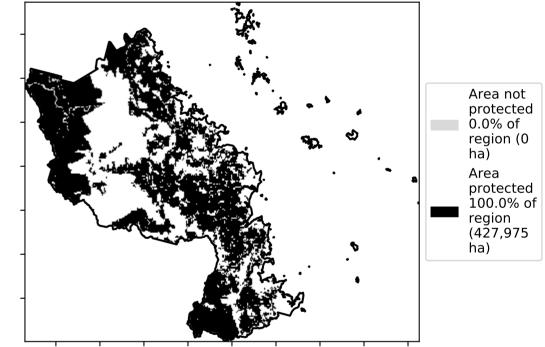
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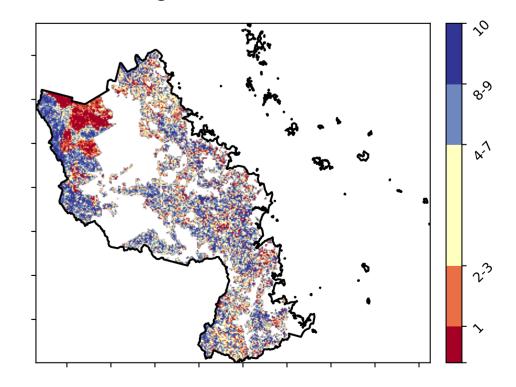
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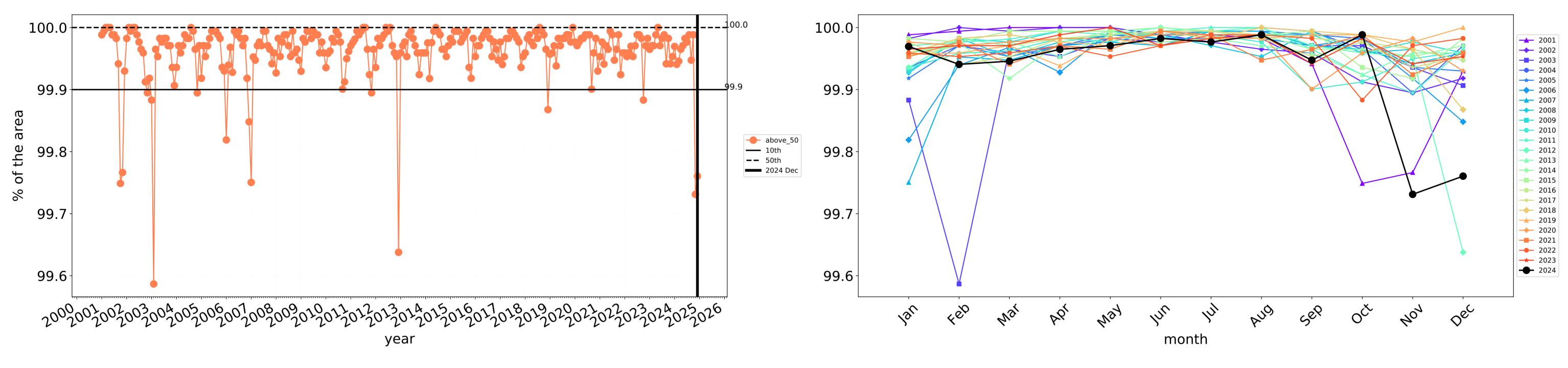
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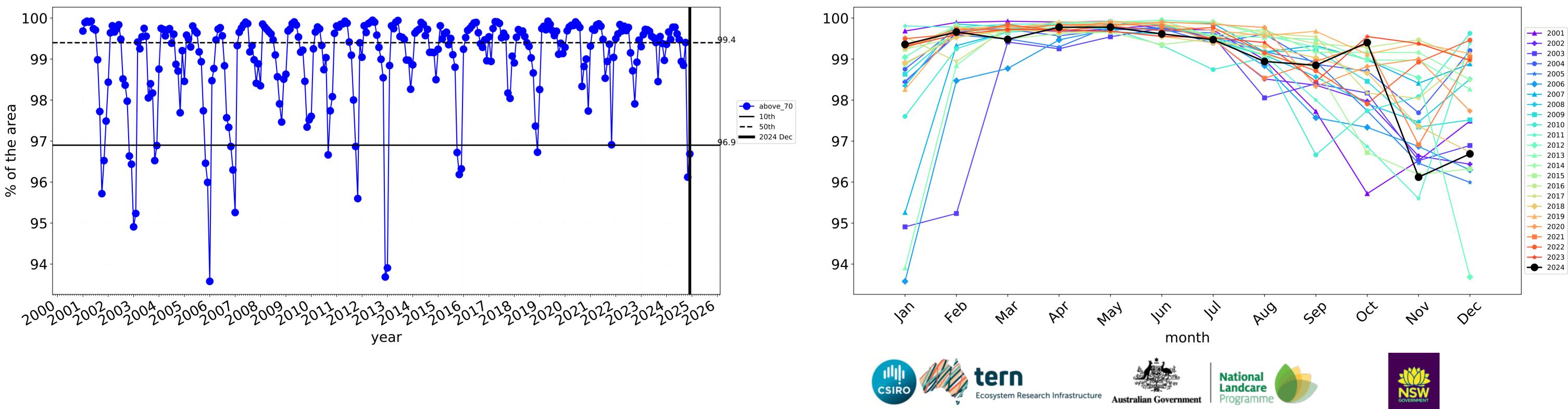
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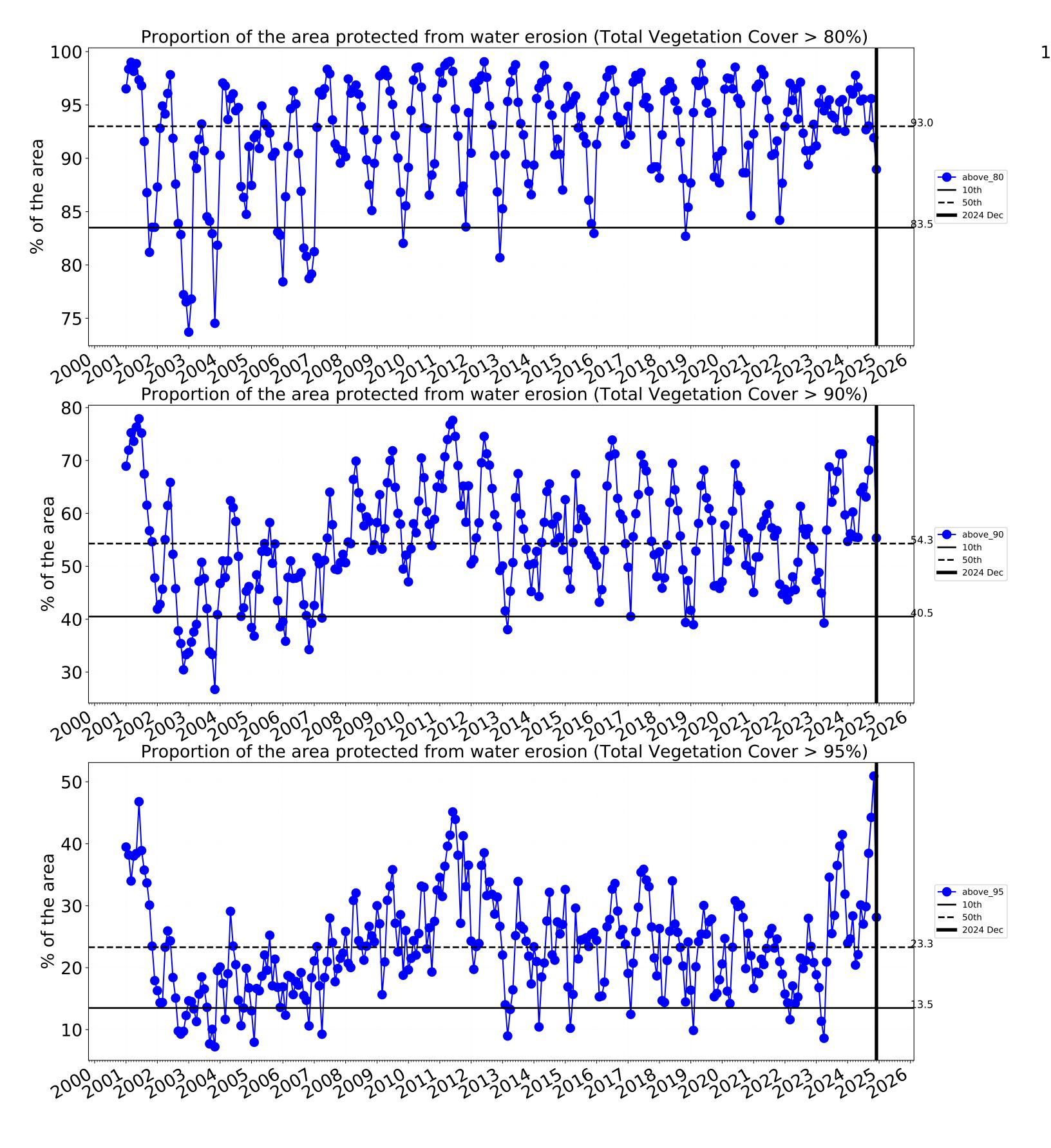
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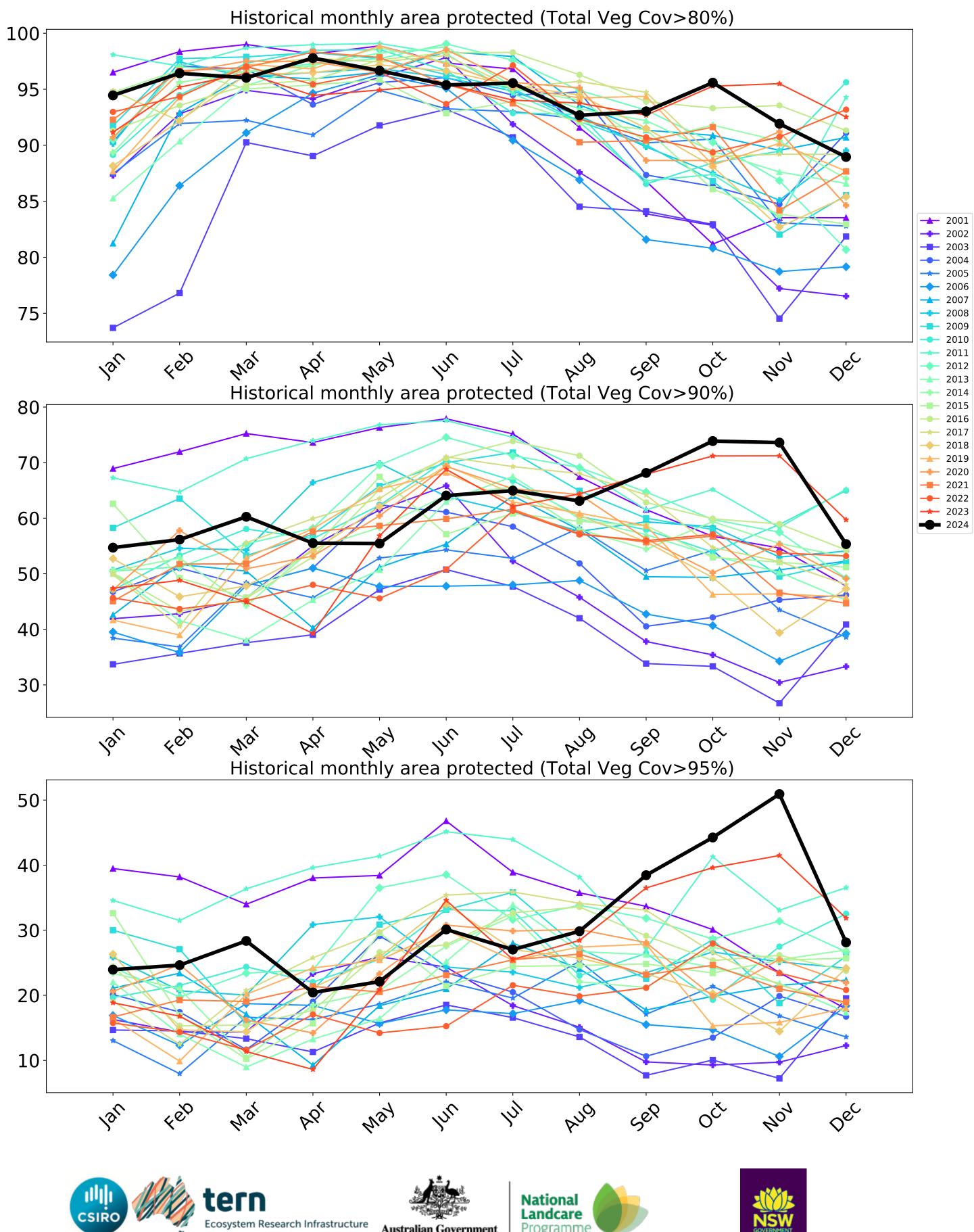




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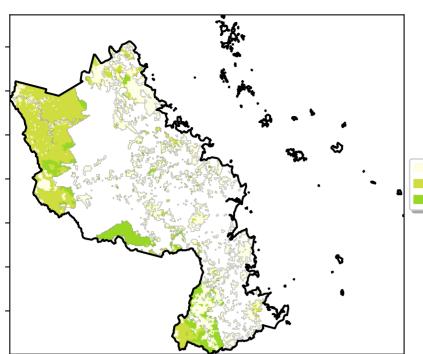
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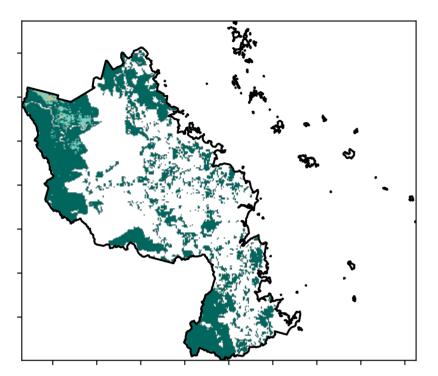
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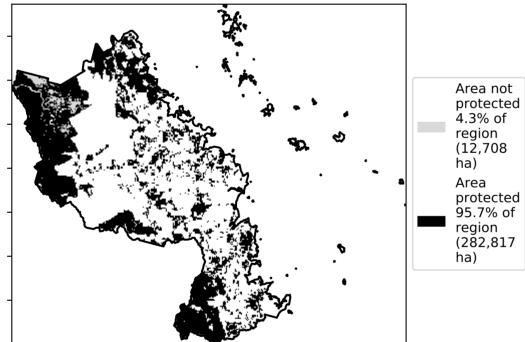


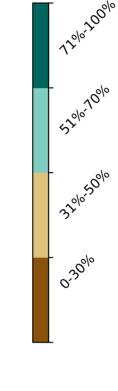
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% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

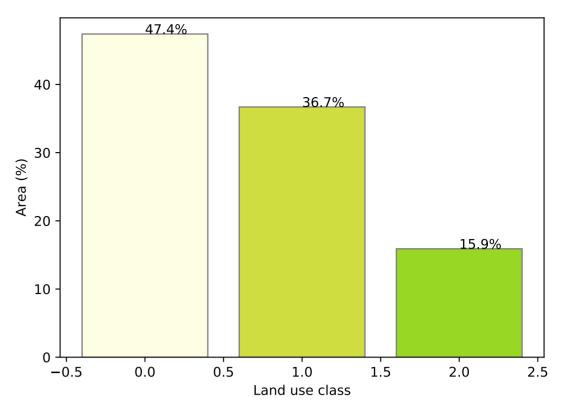




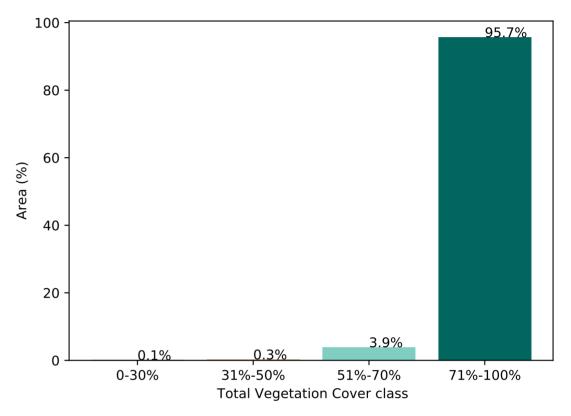
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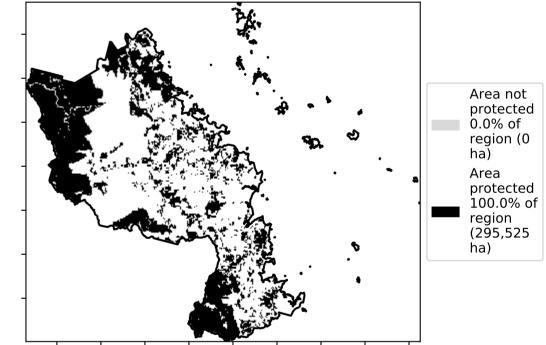
Proportion of each land class in area



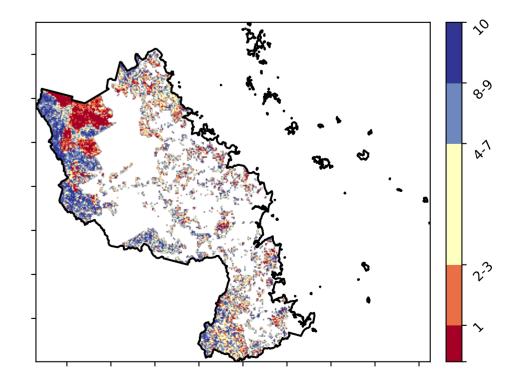
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



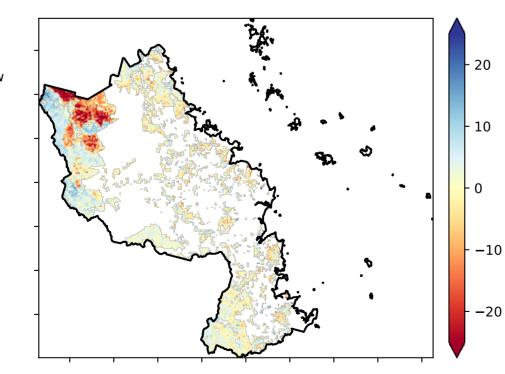
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

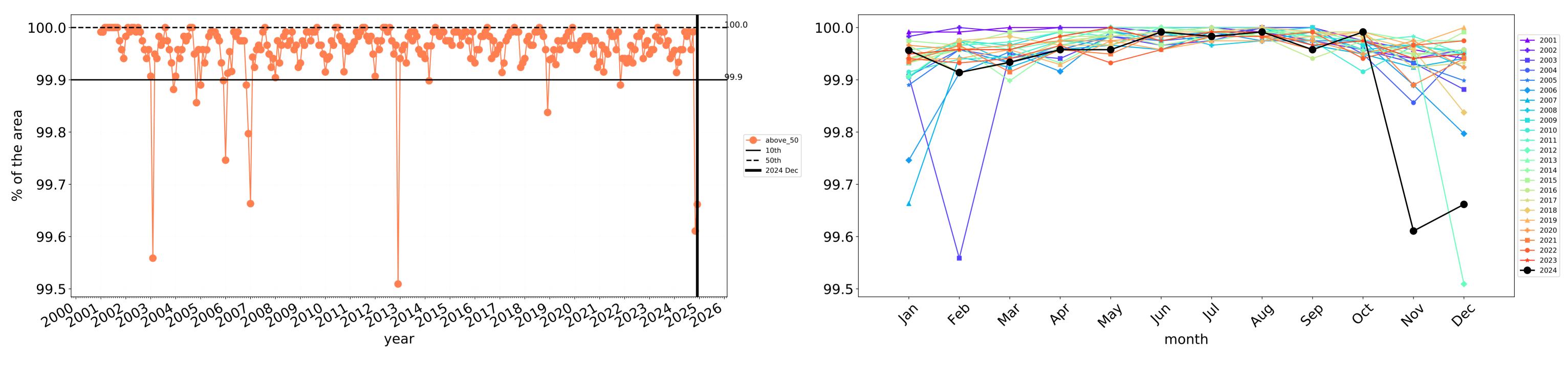


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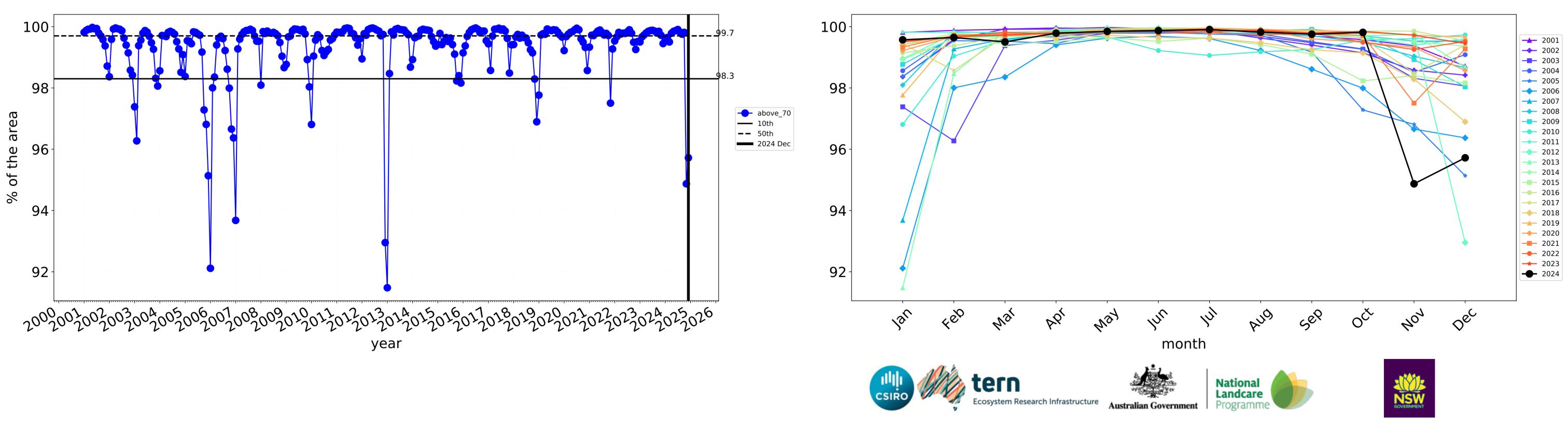




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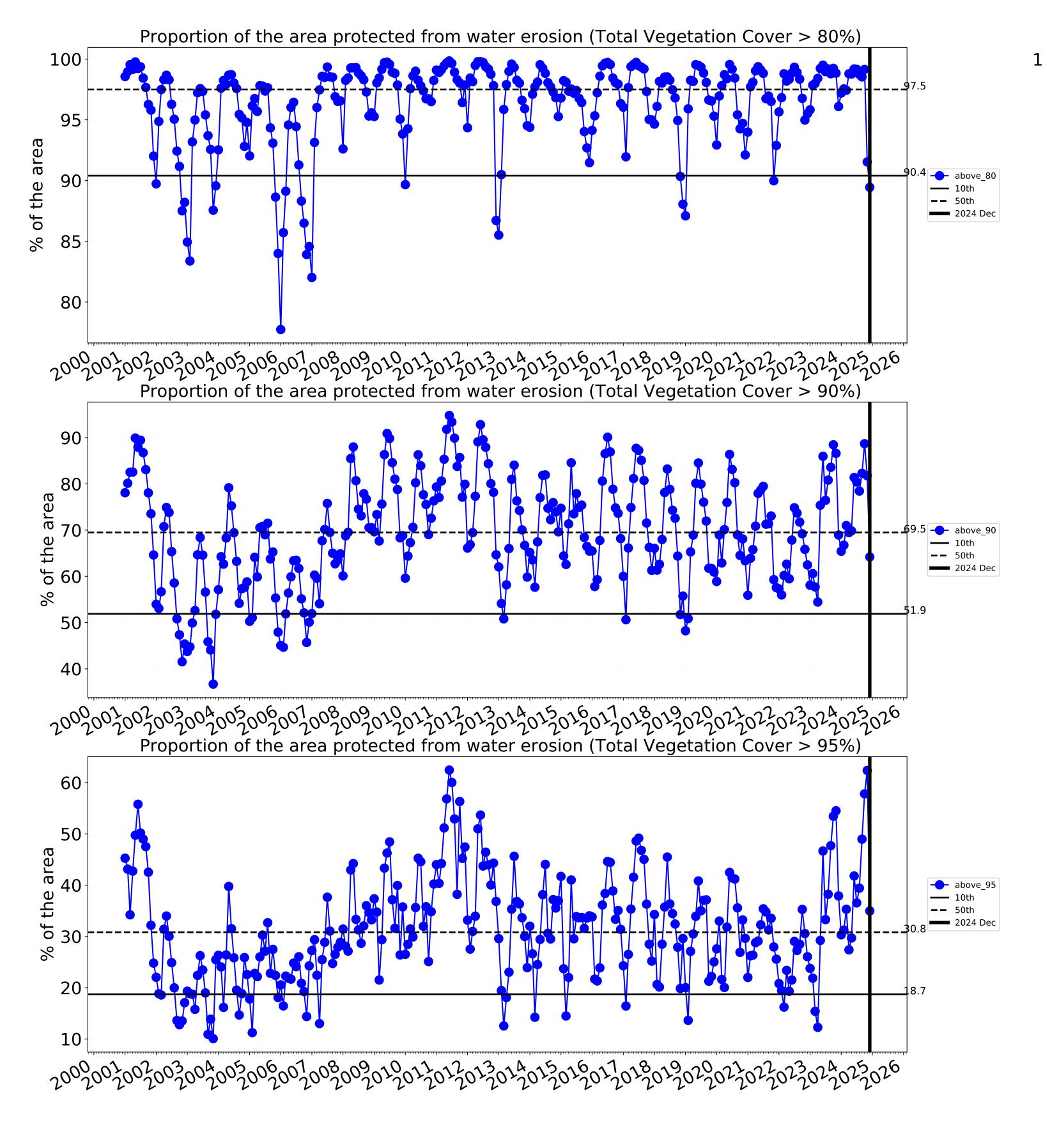


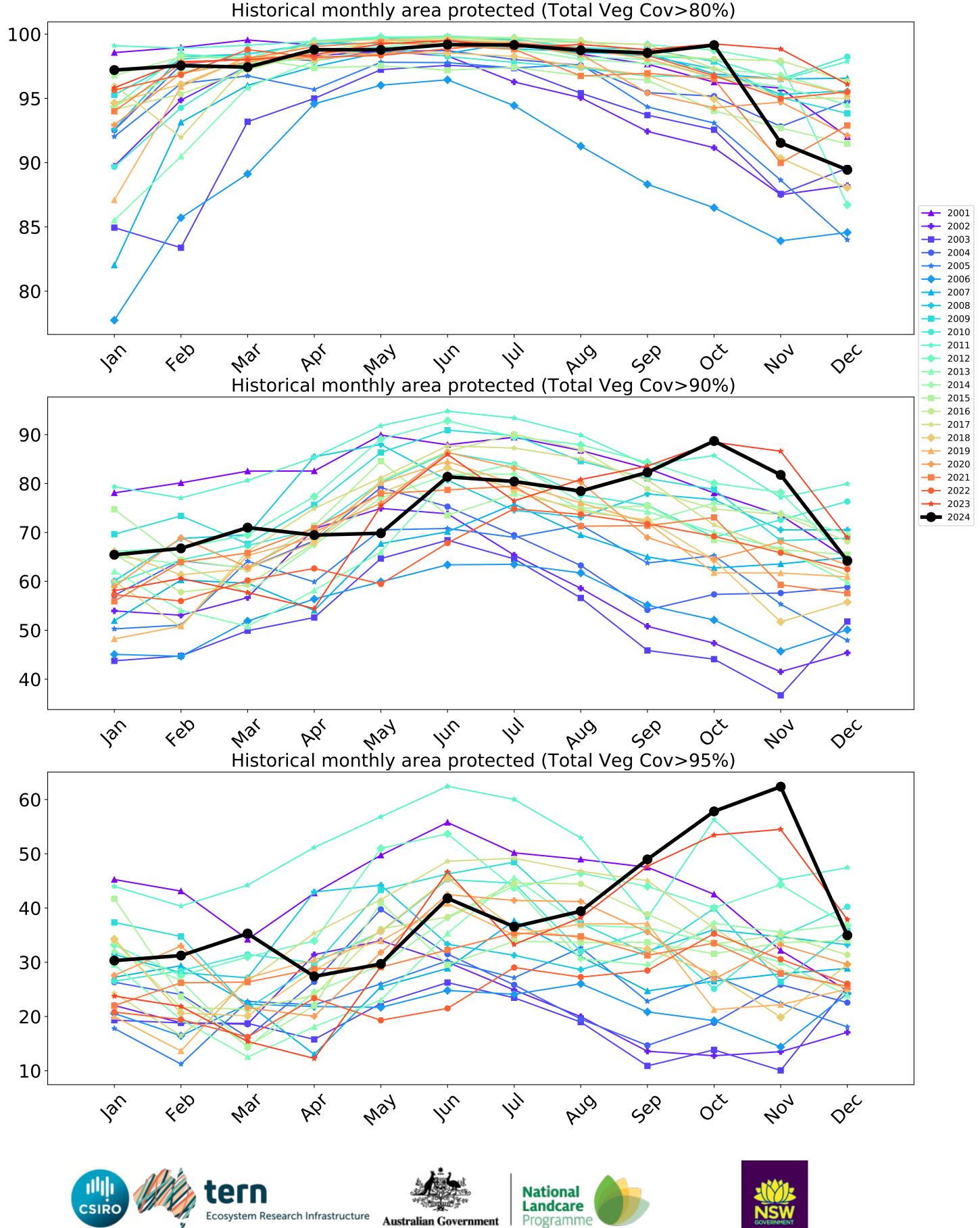
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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

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







Grazing non forest

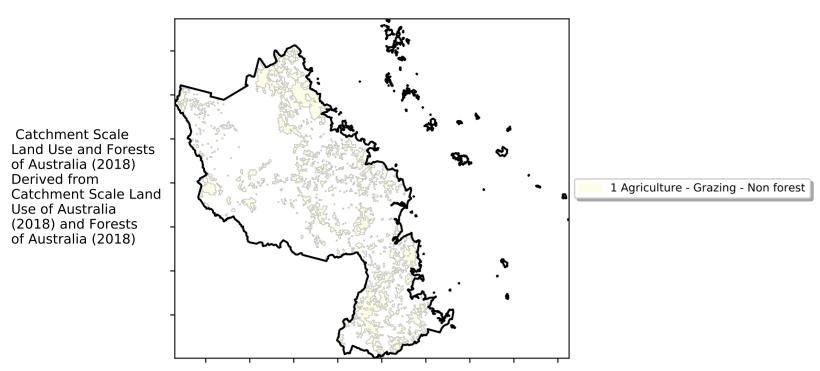
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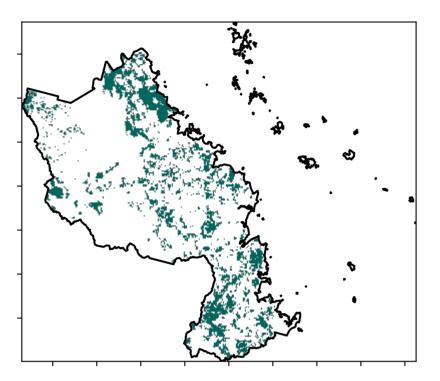
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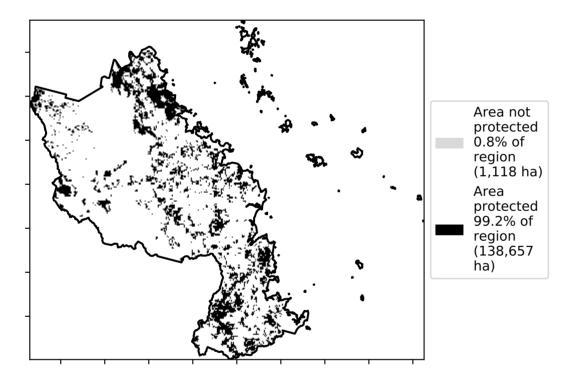
Land use and forest cover



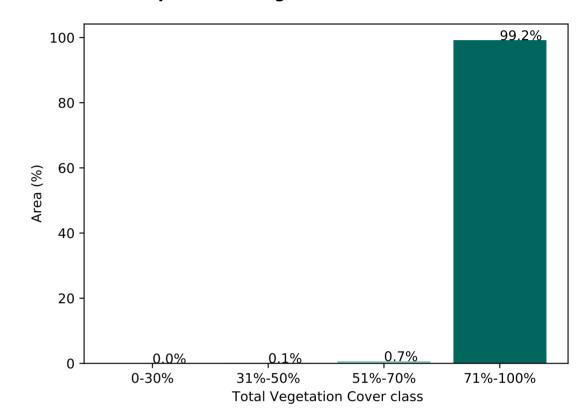
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



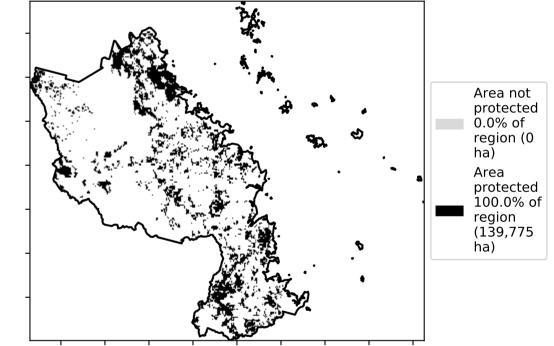
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



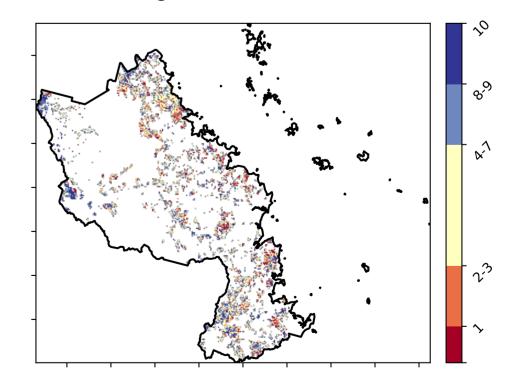
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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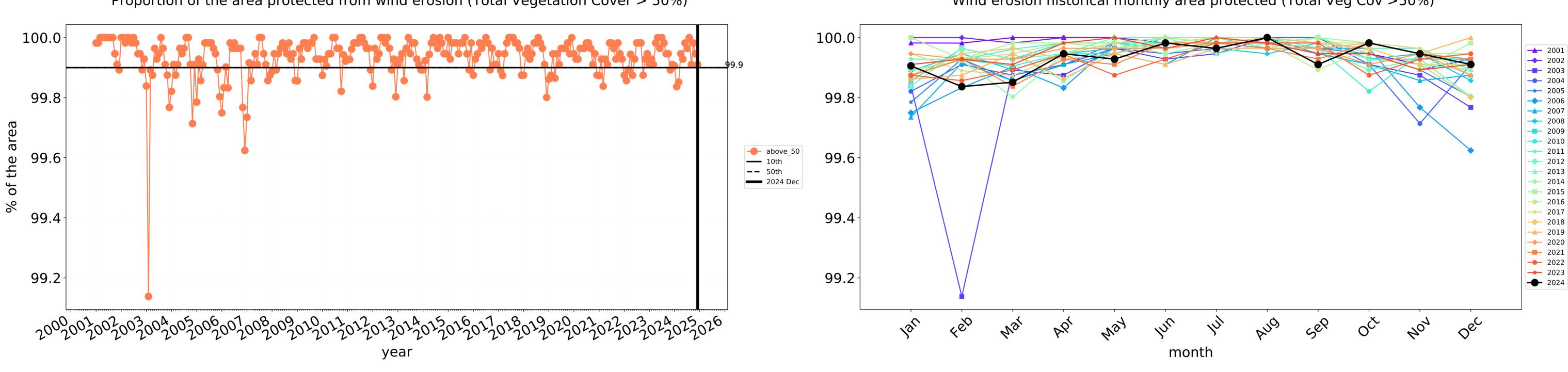
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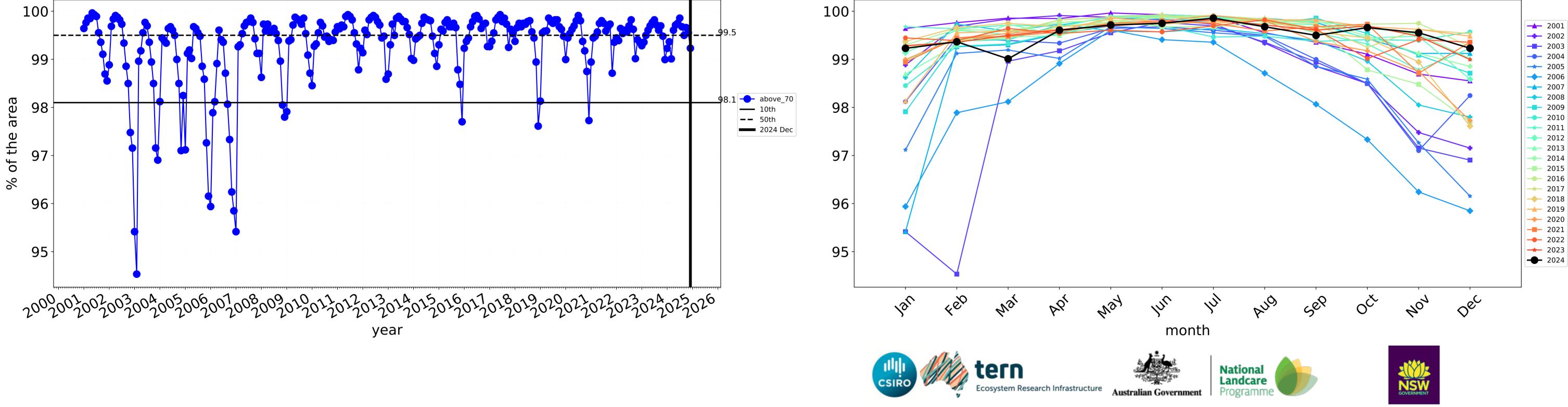


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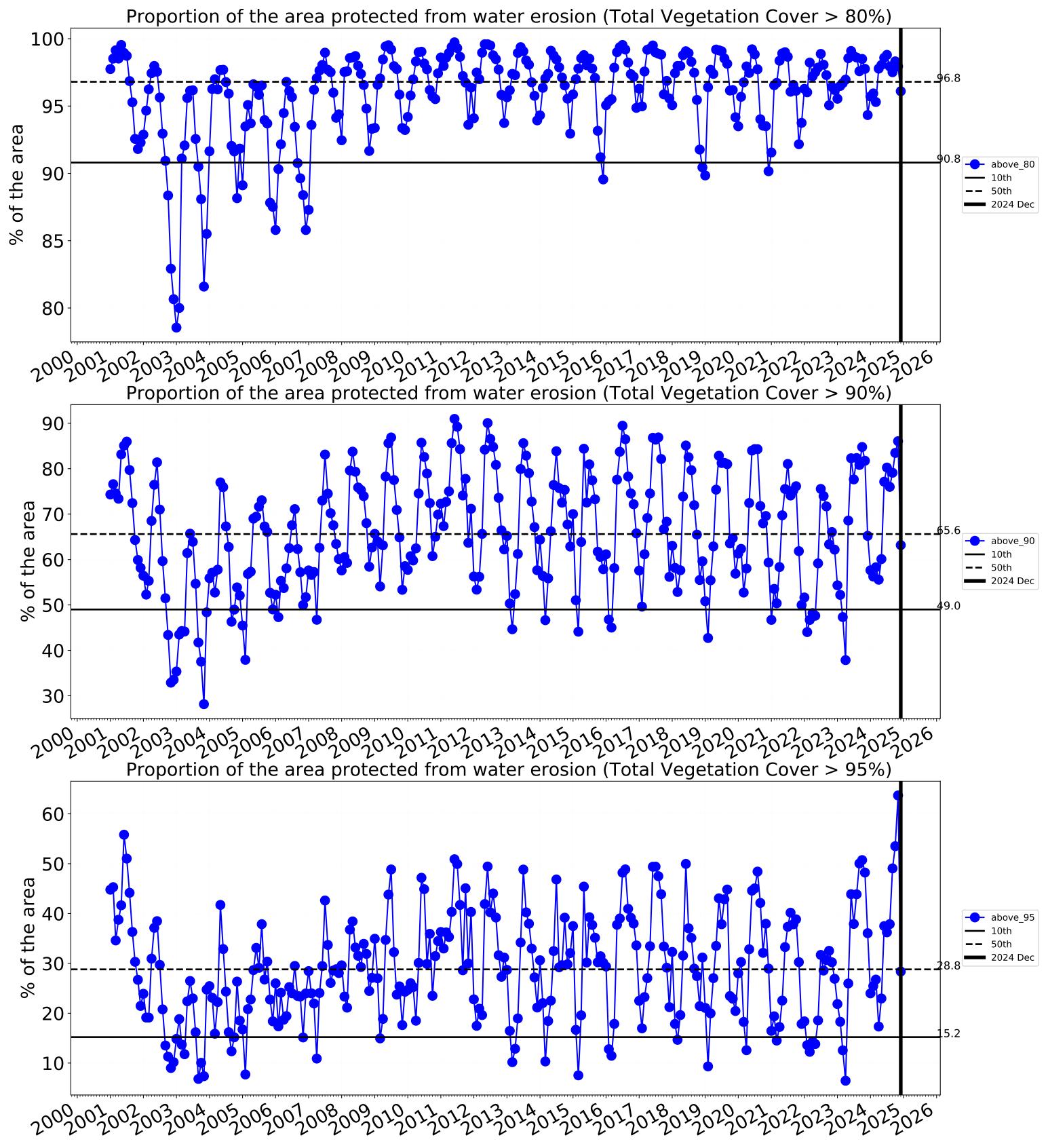
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

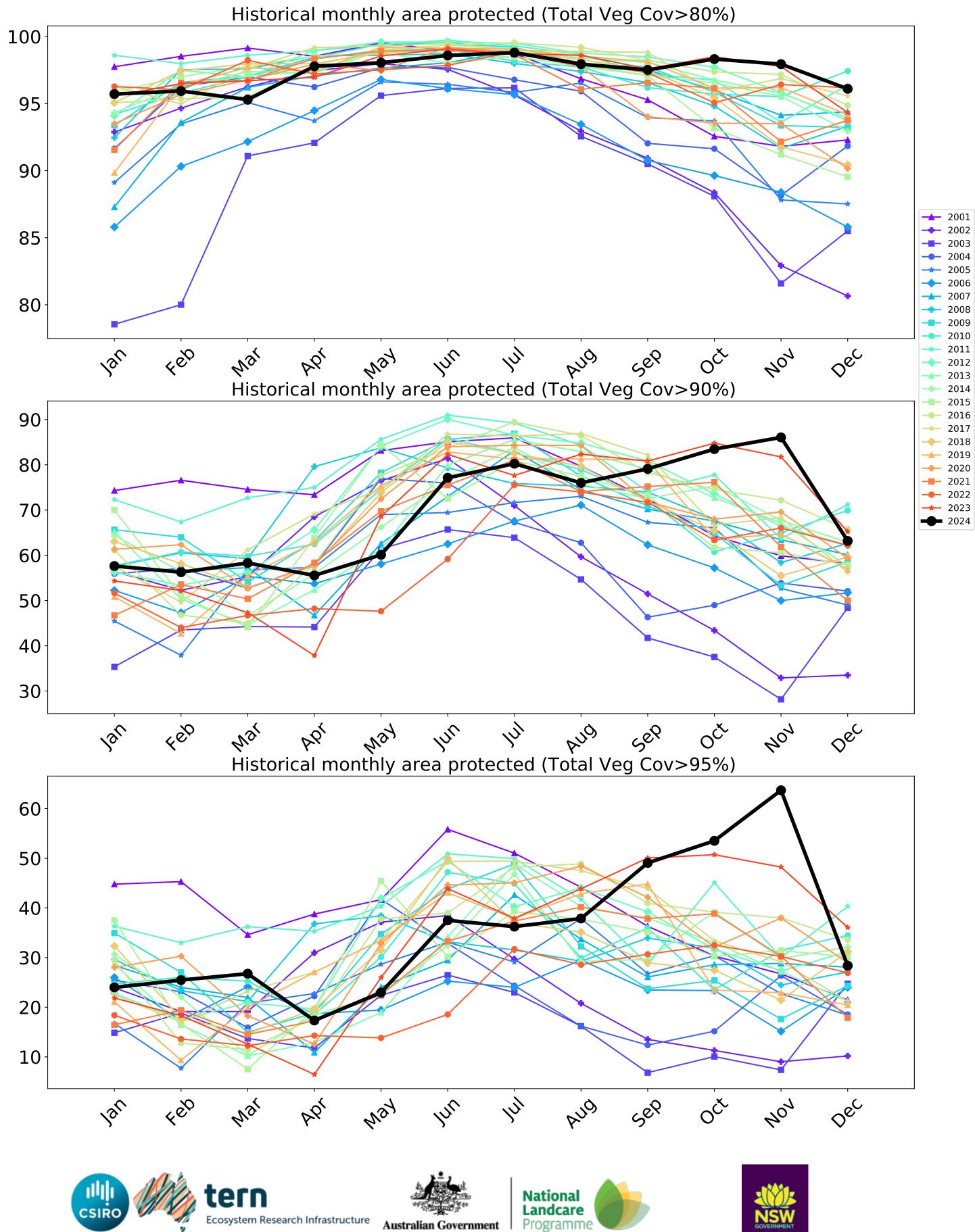




Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

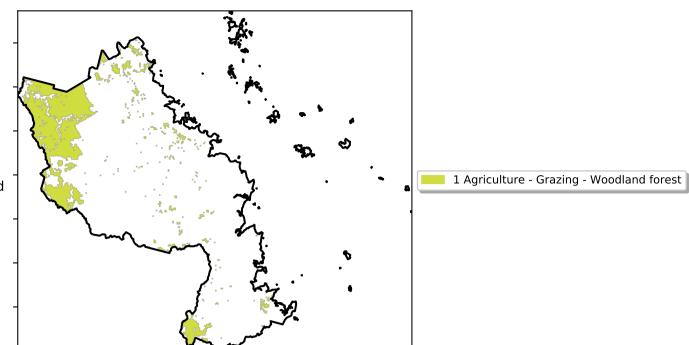
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)





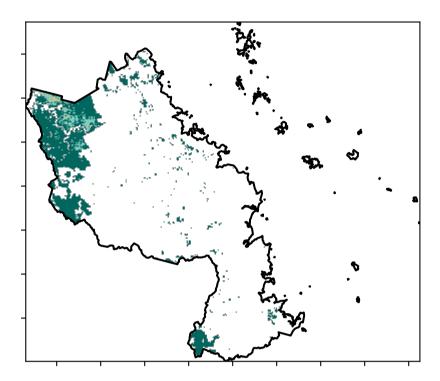


Grazing Woodland forest

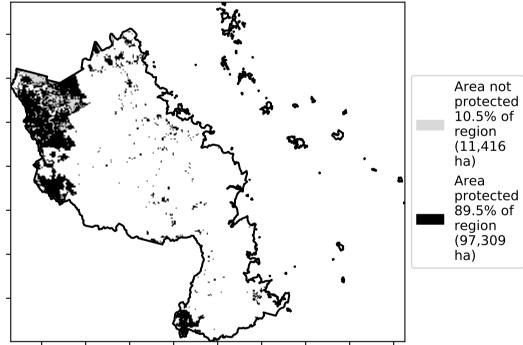


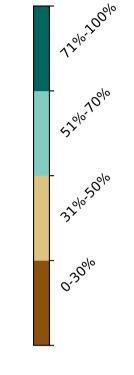
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

Land use and forest cover



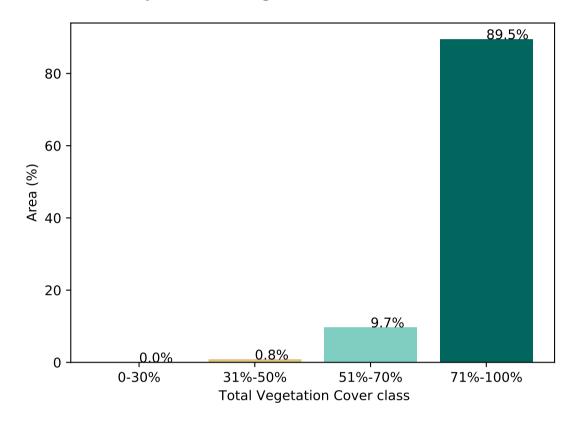
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



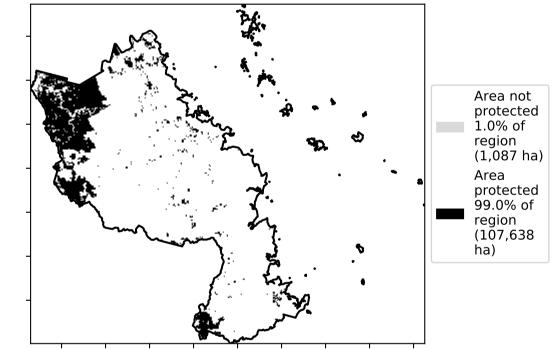




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

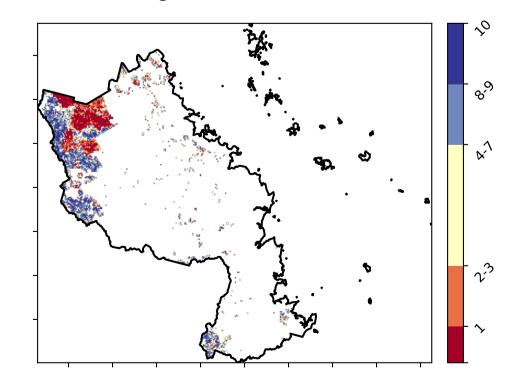


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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

Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



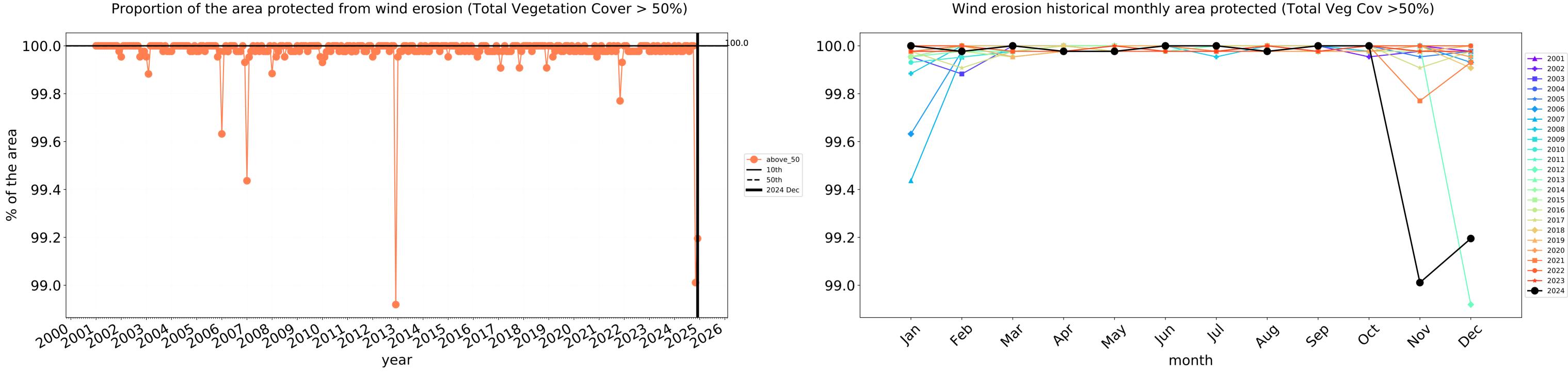
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

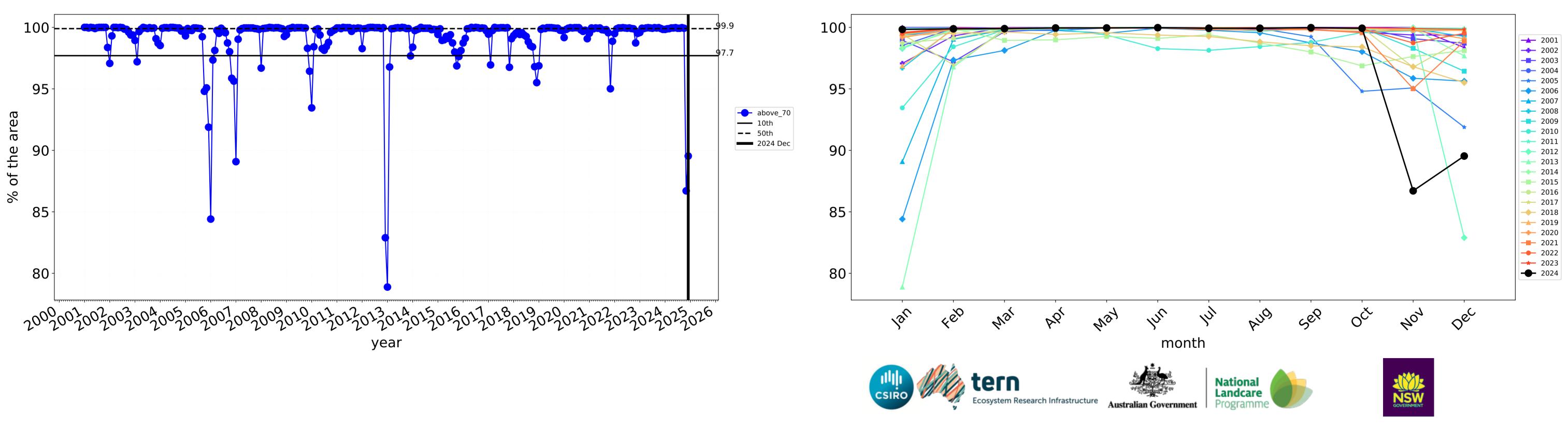
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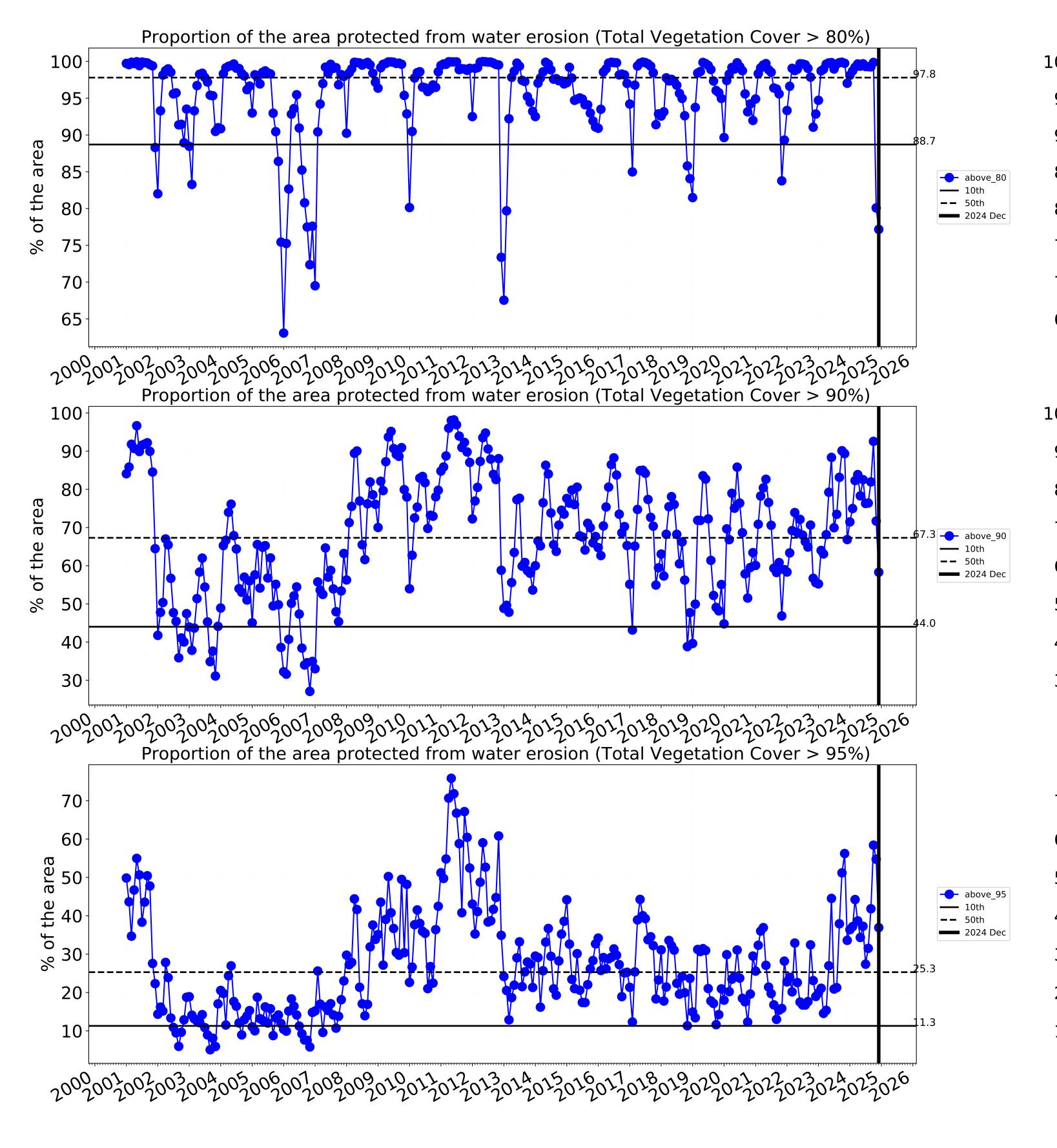


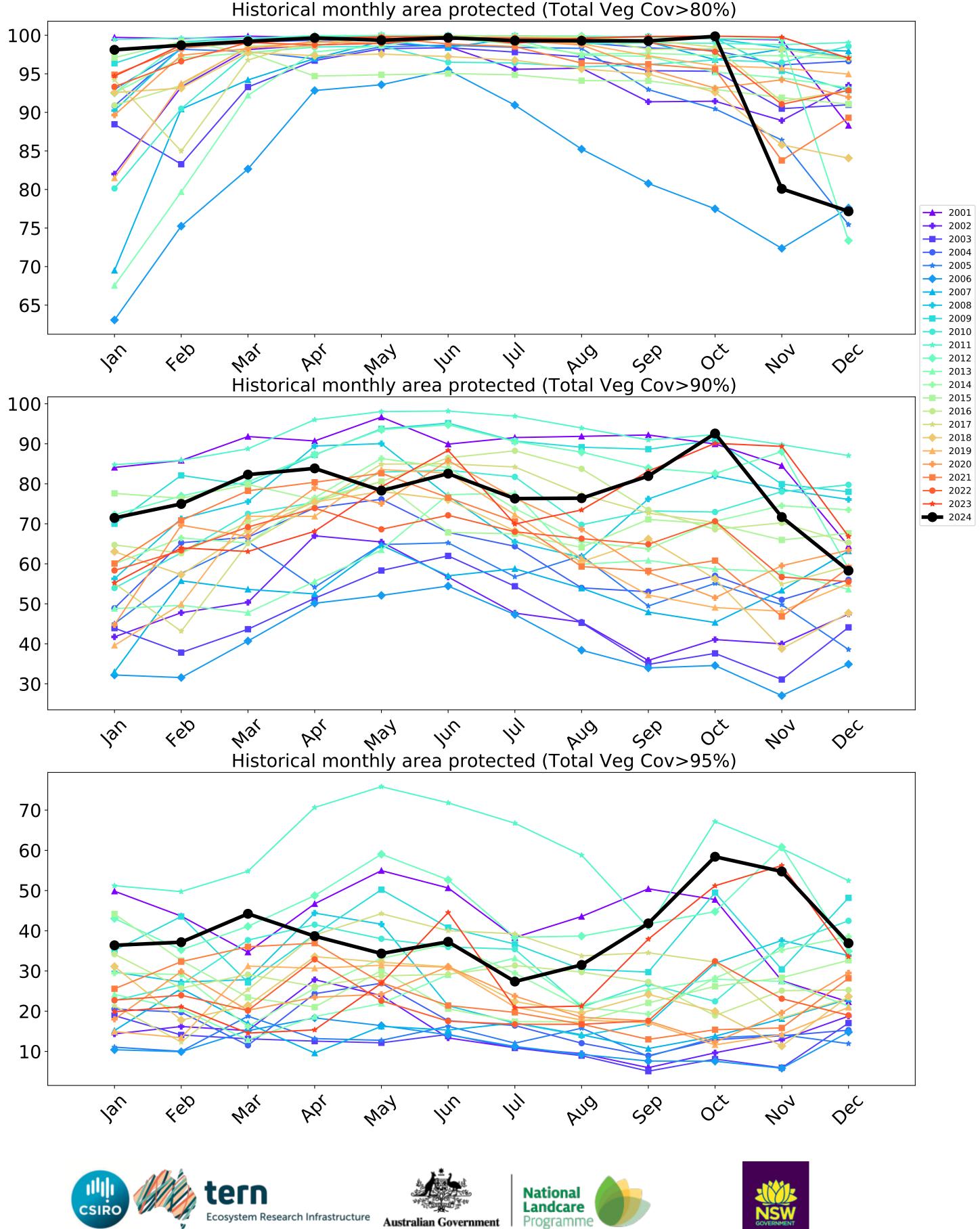
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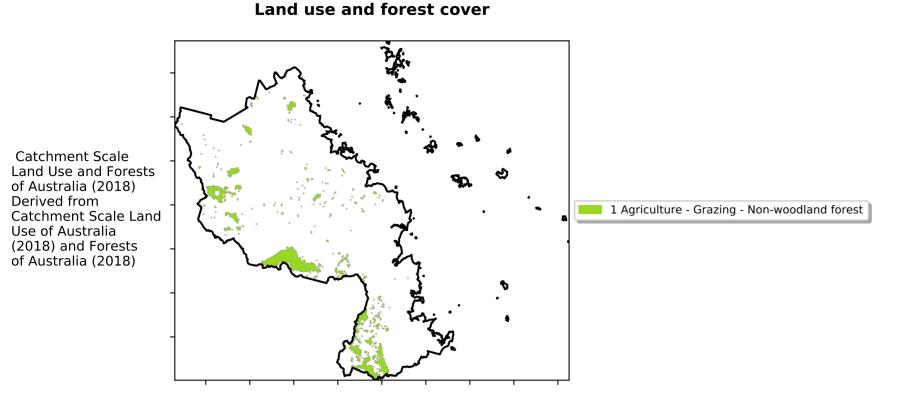
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



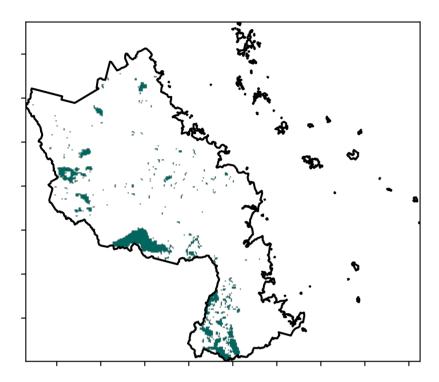




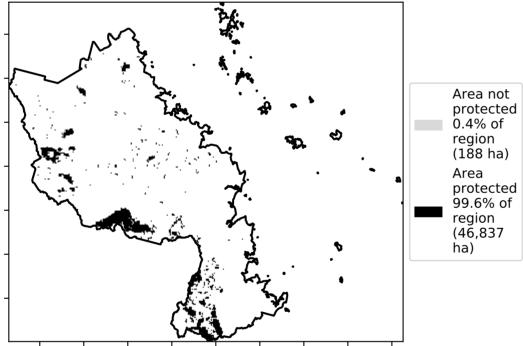
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

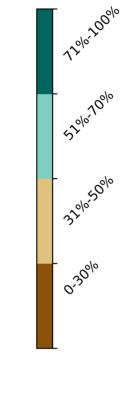


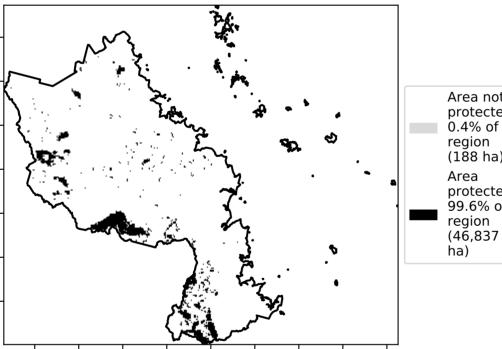
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



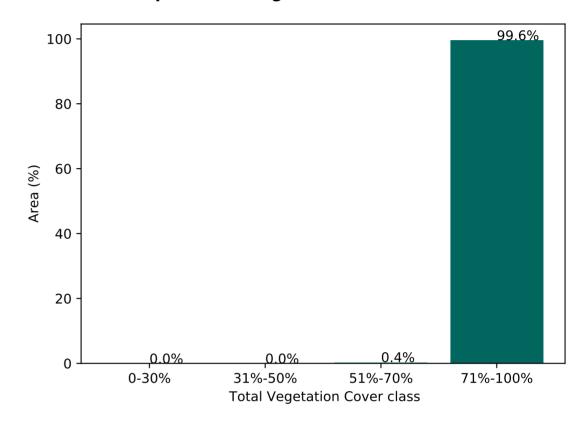
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



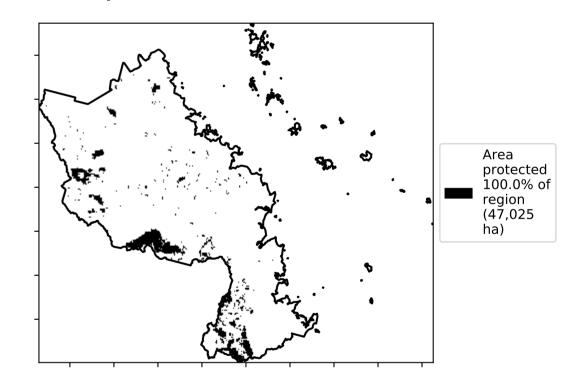




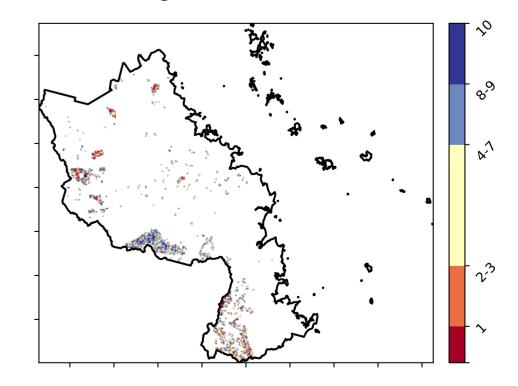
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



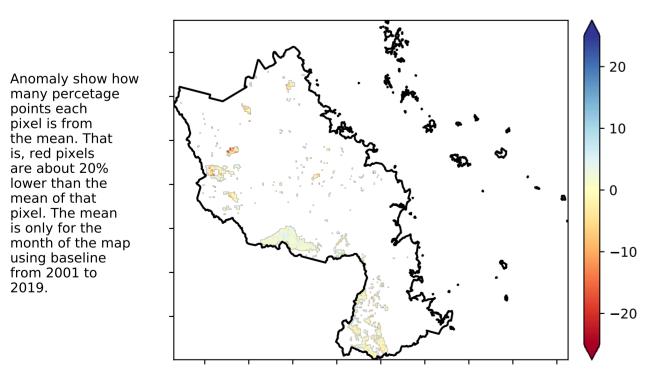
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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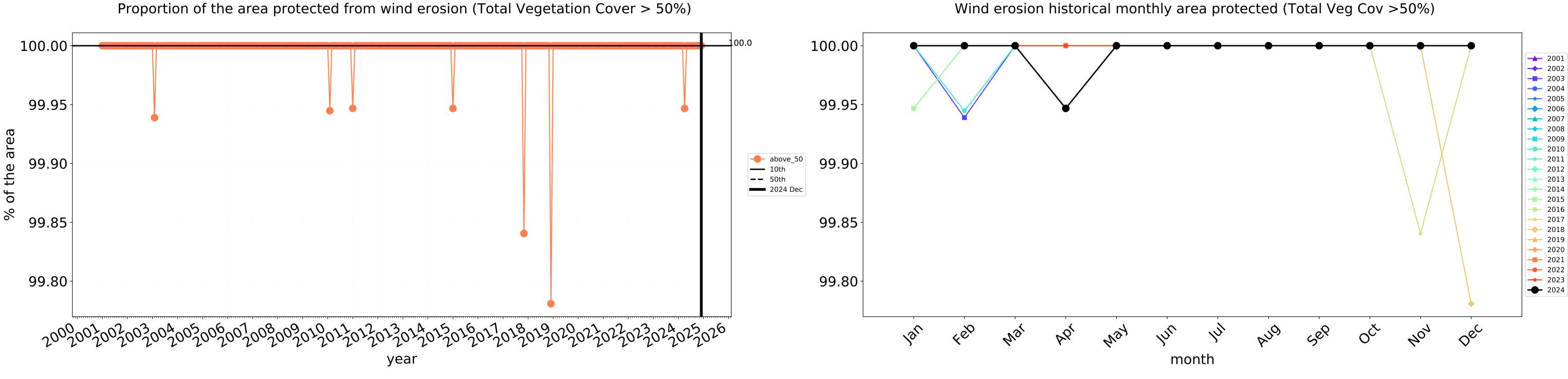
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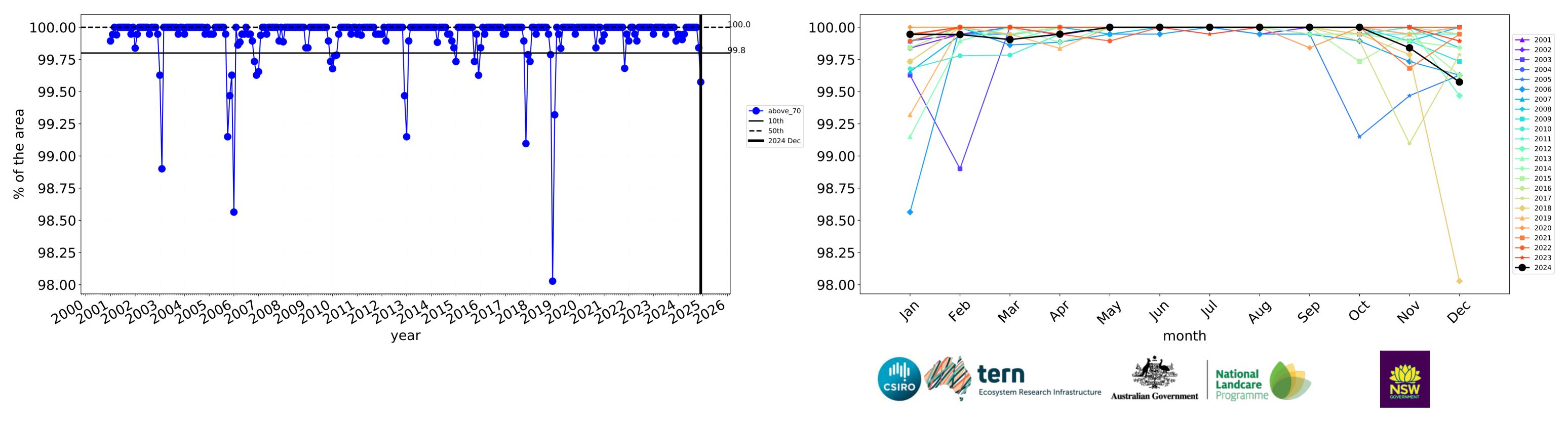
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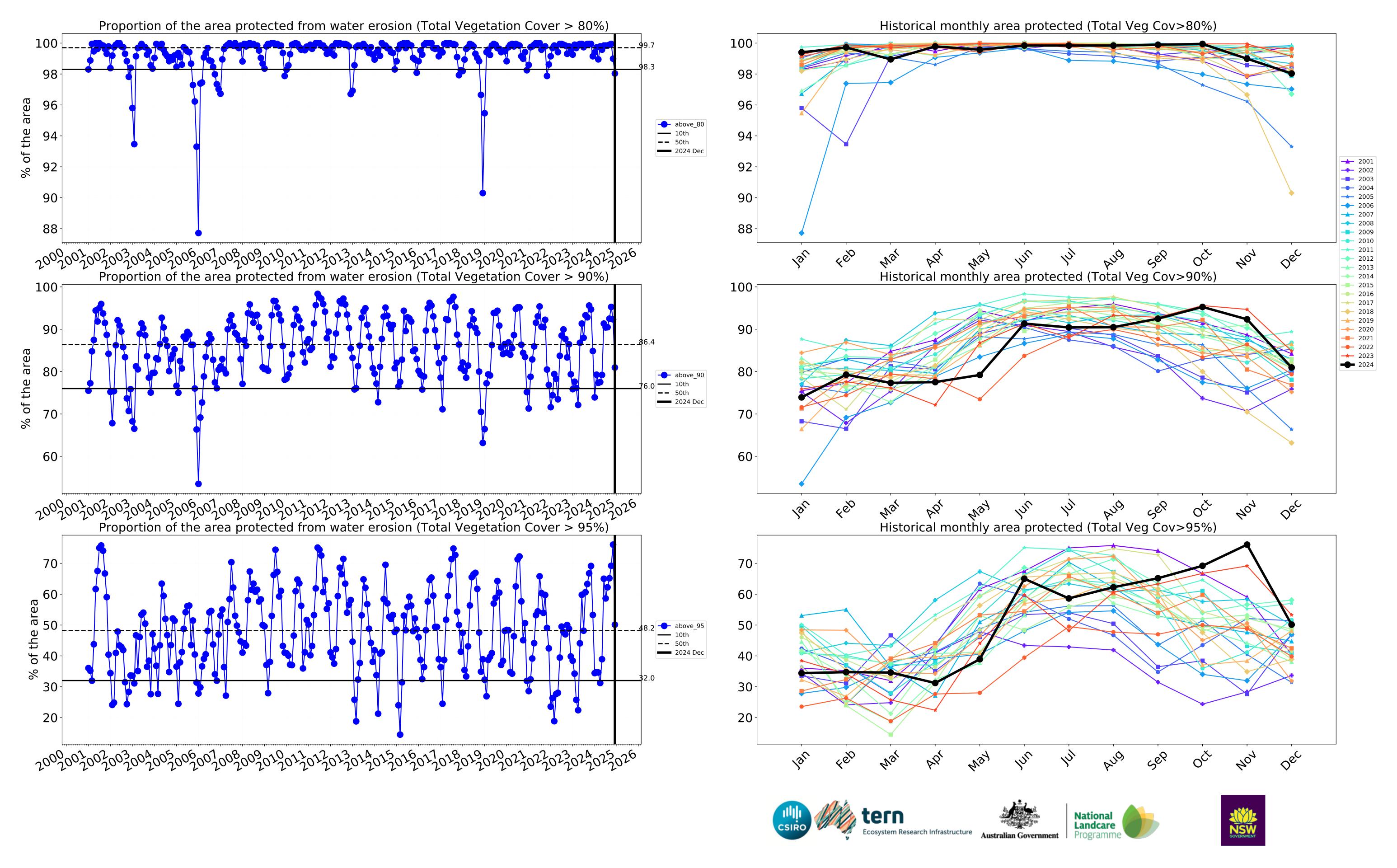






Grazing - Forest (non woodland) timeseries

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





Irrigation

100

80

60

40

20

Area (%)

Area (%)

40

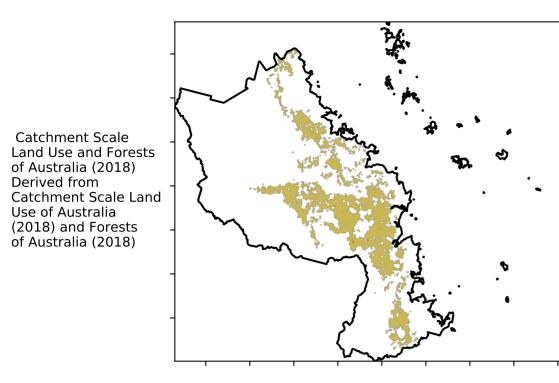
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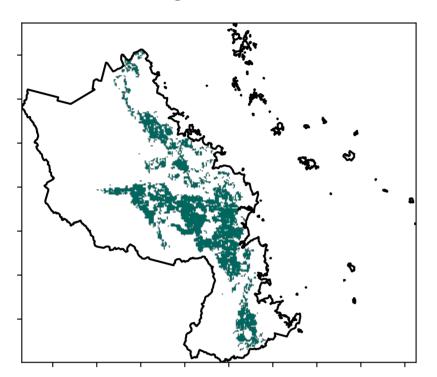
0-30%

Land use and forest cover



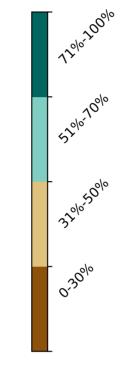
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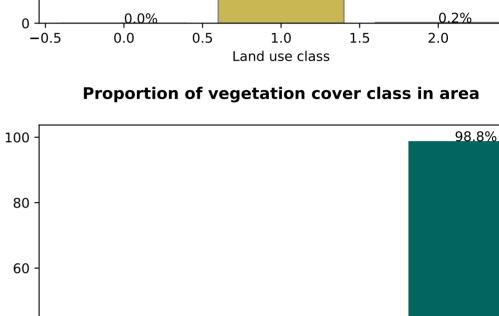
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







0.0%

Total Vegetation Cover class

% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

31%-50%

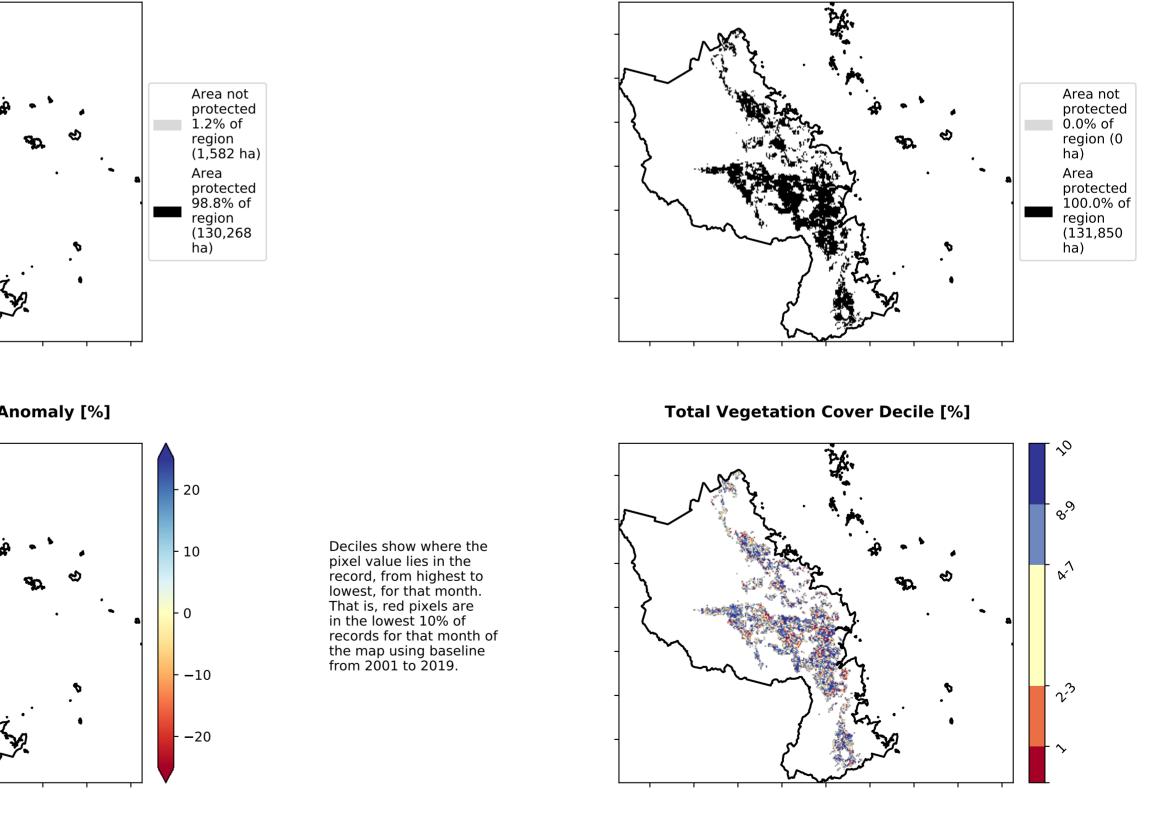
1.1%

71%-100%

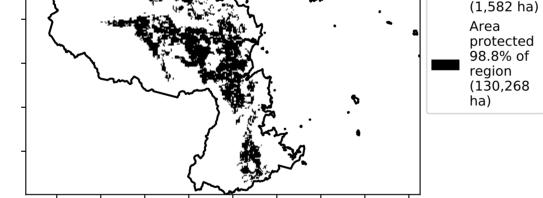
51%-70%

Proportion of each land class in area

99.8%



2.5



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

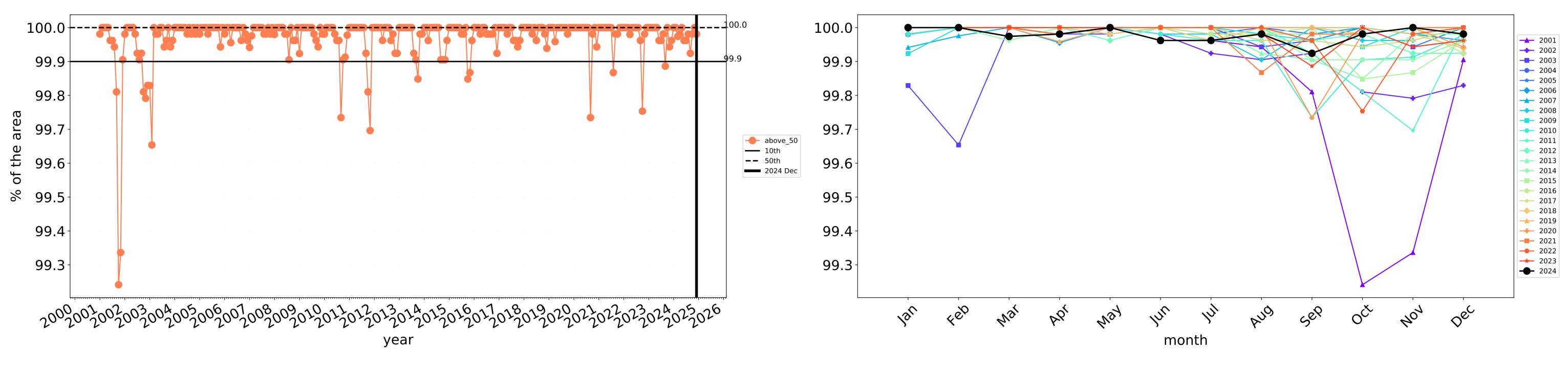
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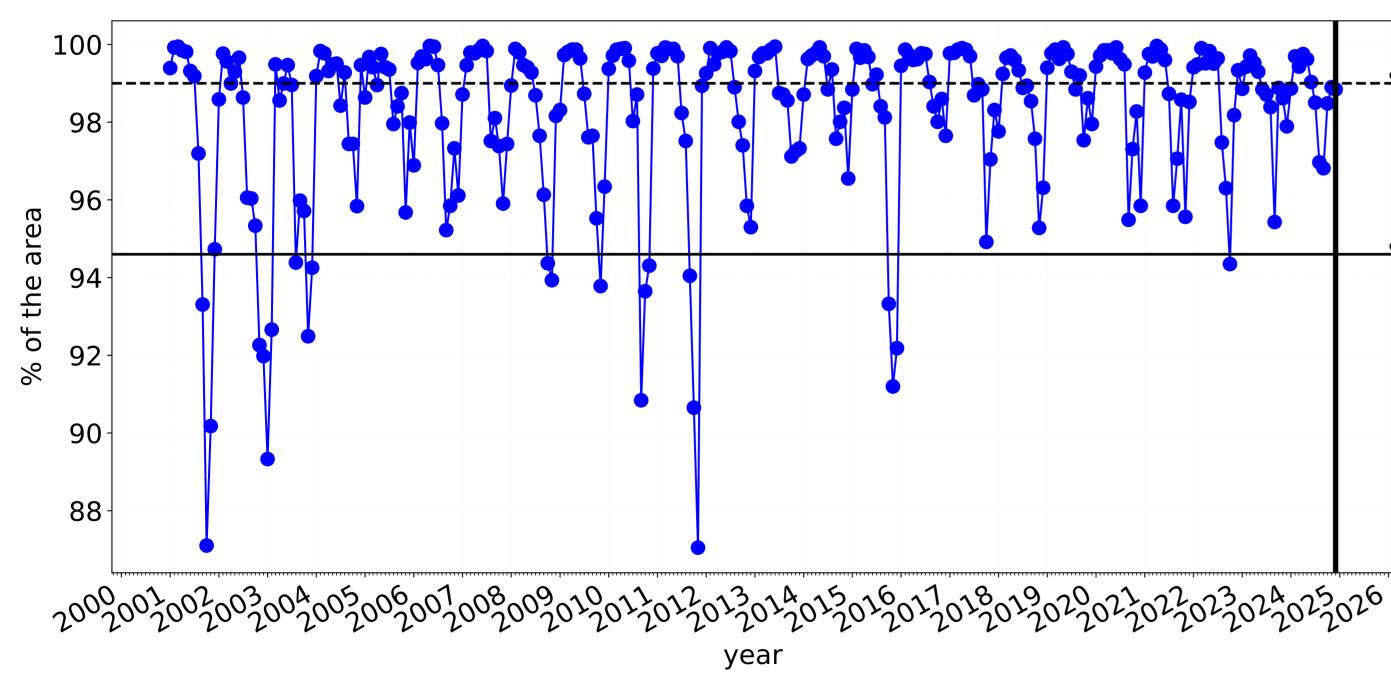
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

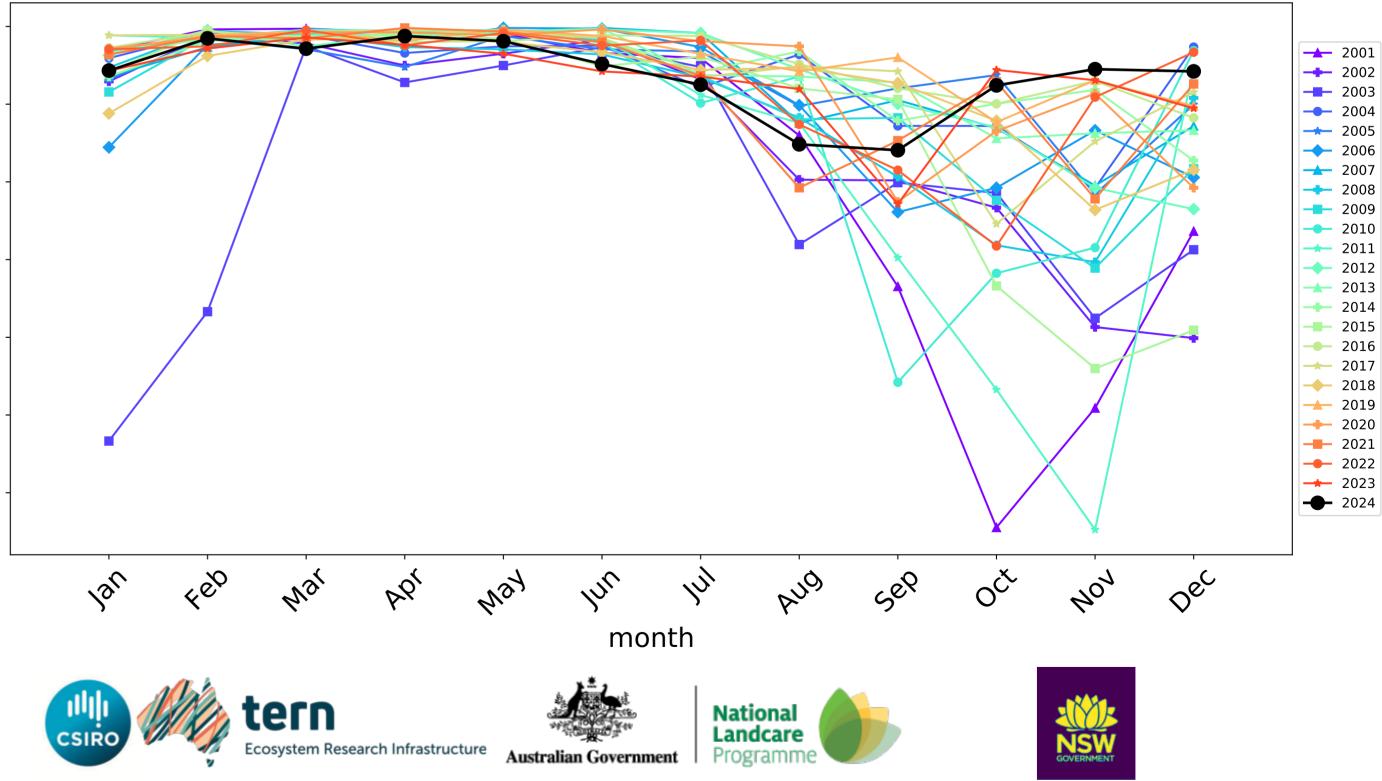


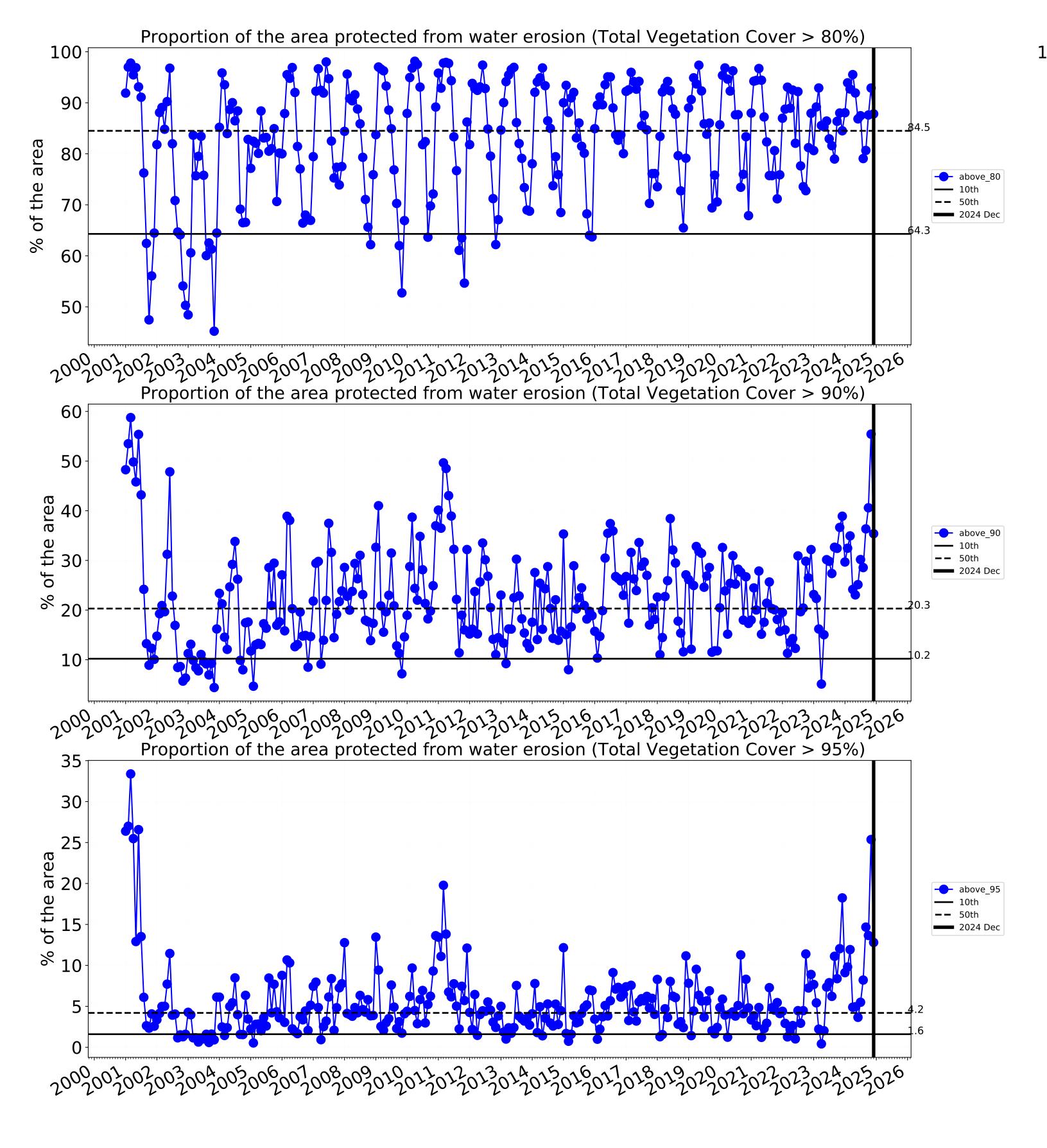


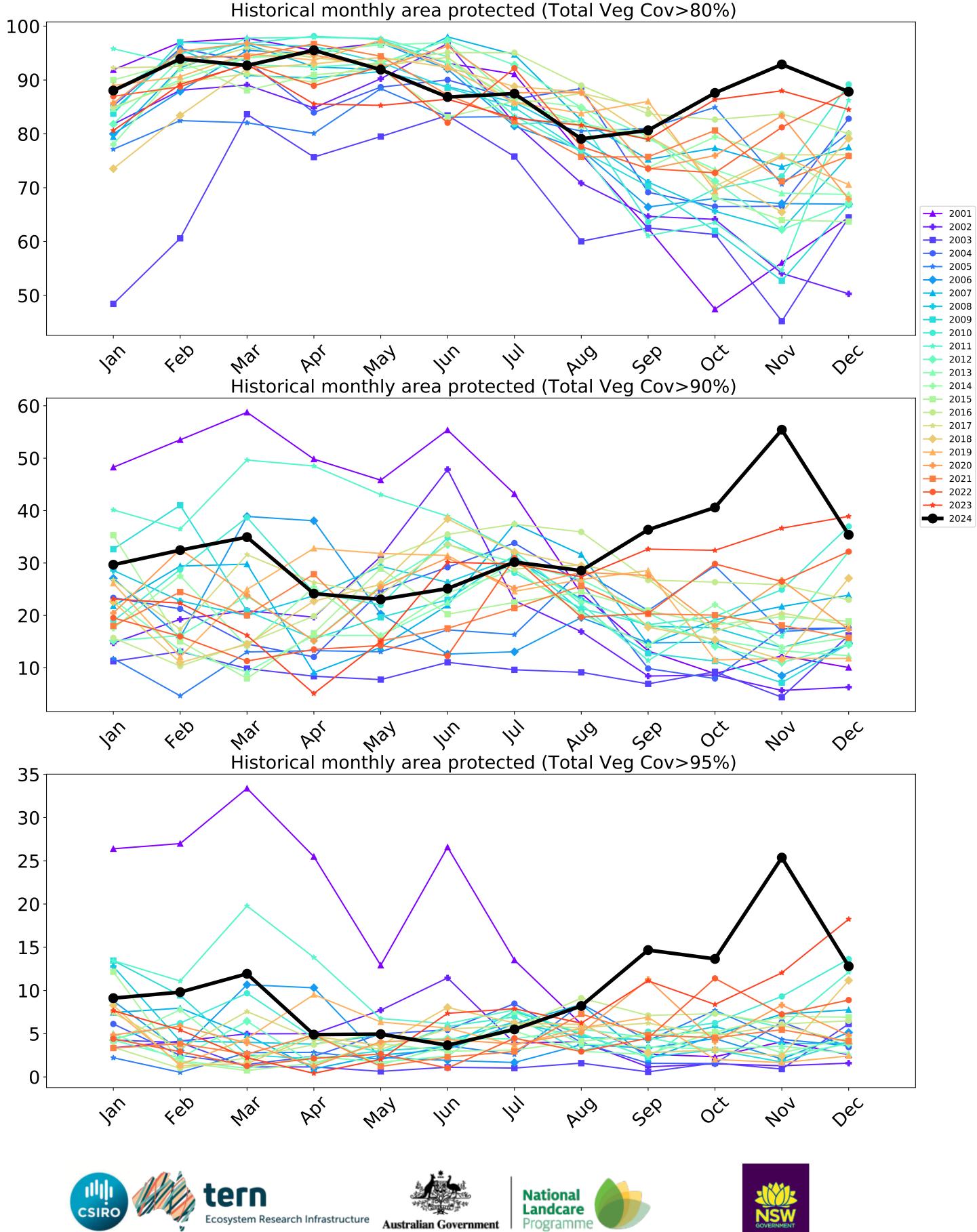
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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









Production native forests and plantation forests

Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from 1 Production native forests and plantation forests Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

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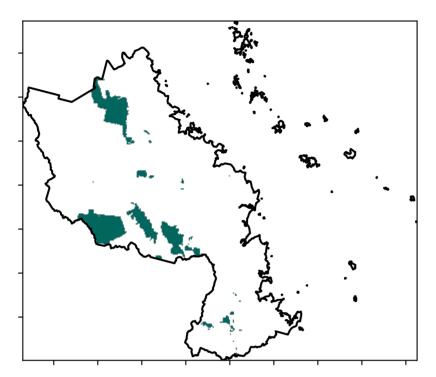
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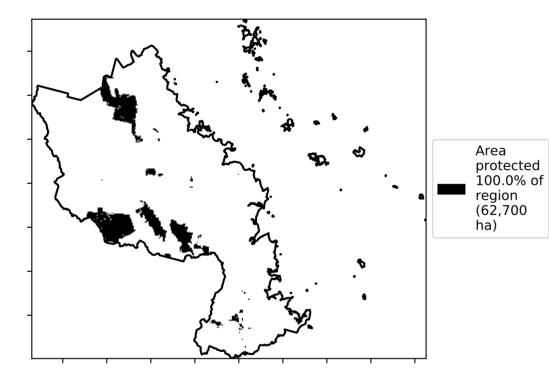
0.30%

Land use and forest cover

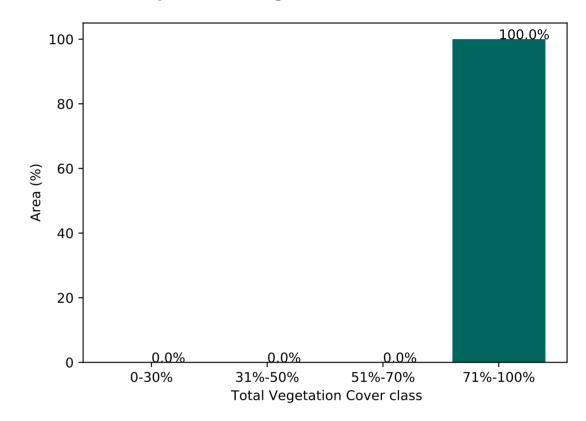
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



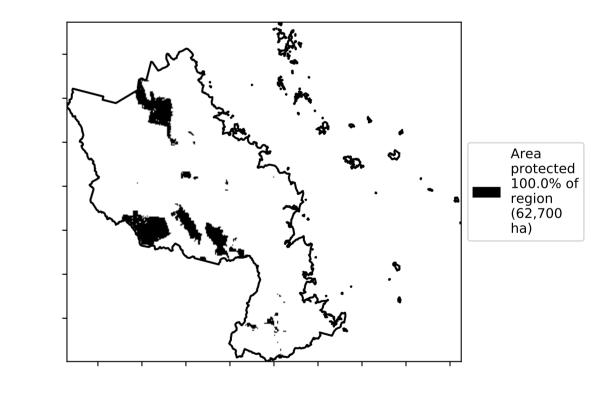
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



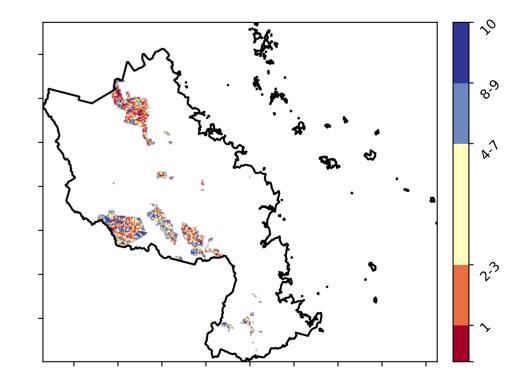




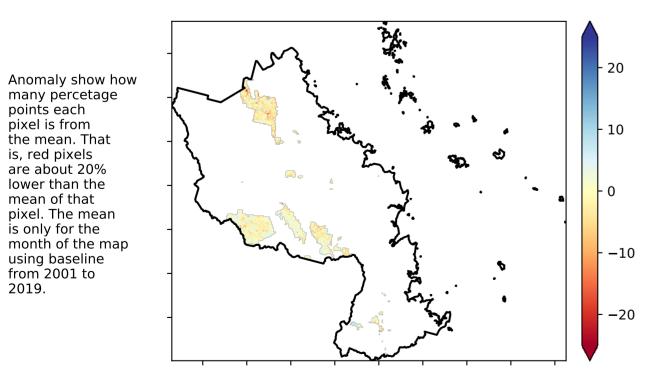
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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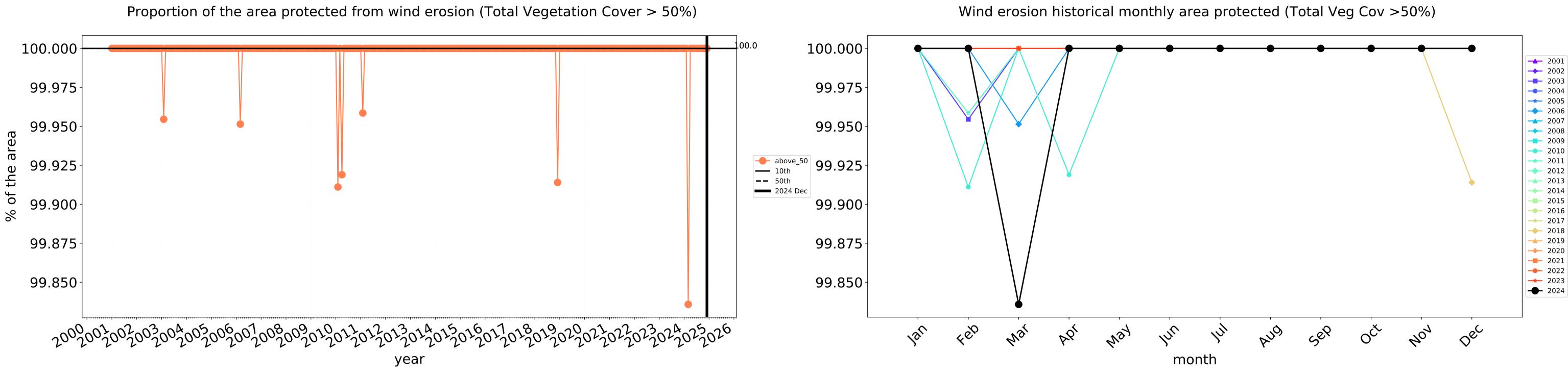
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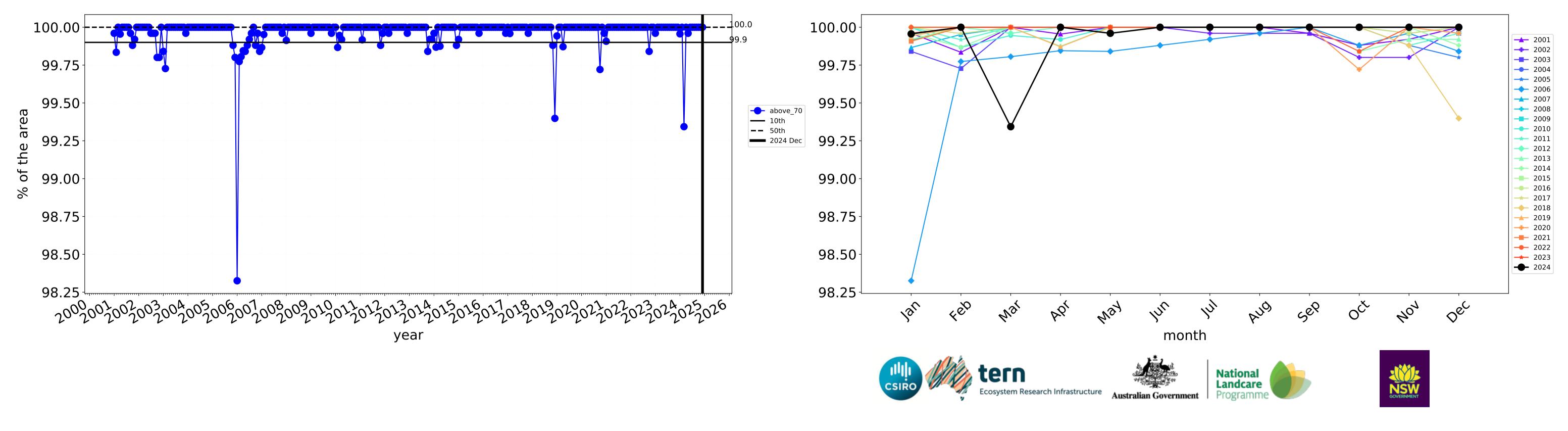
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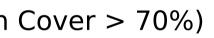
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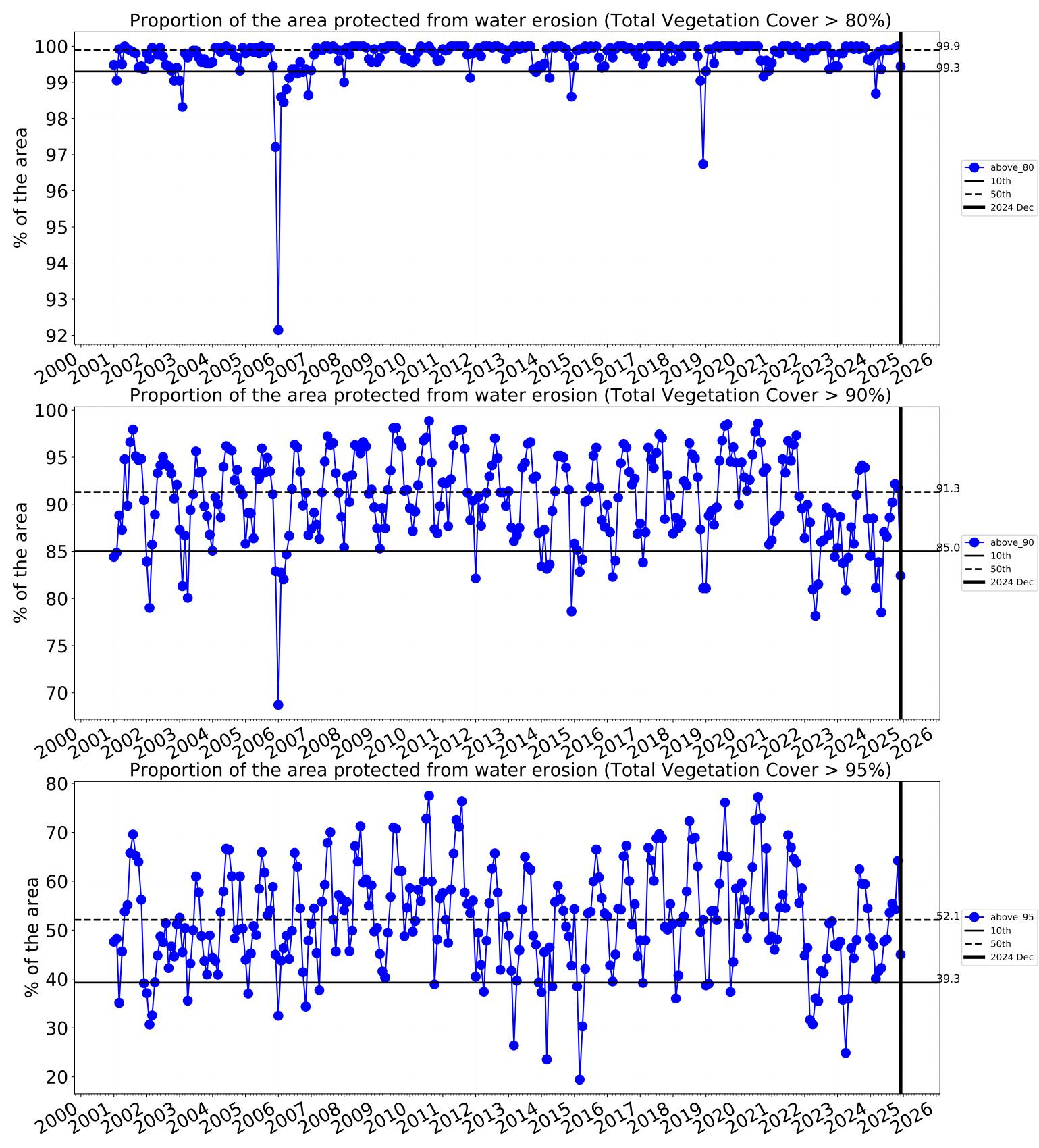


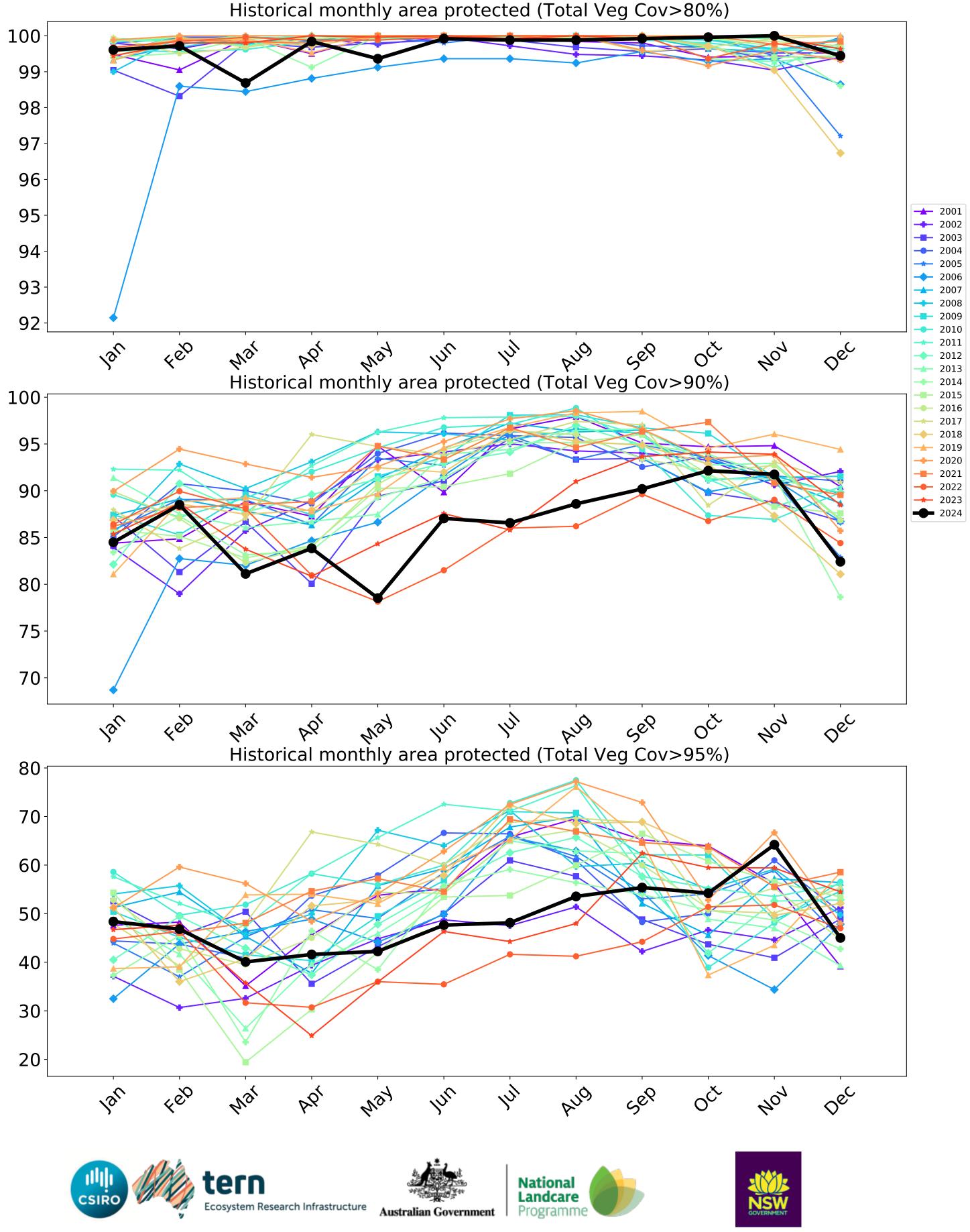


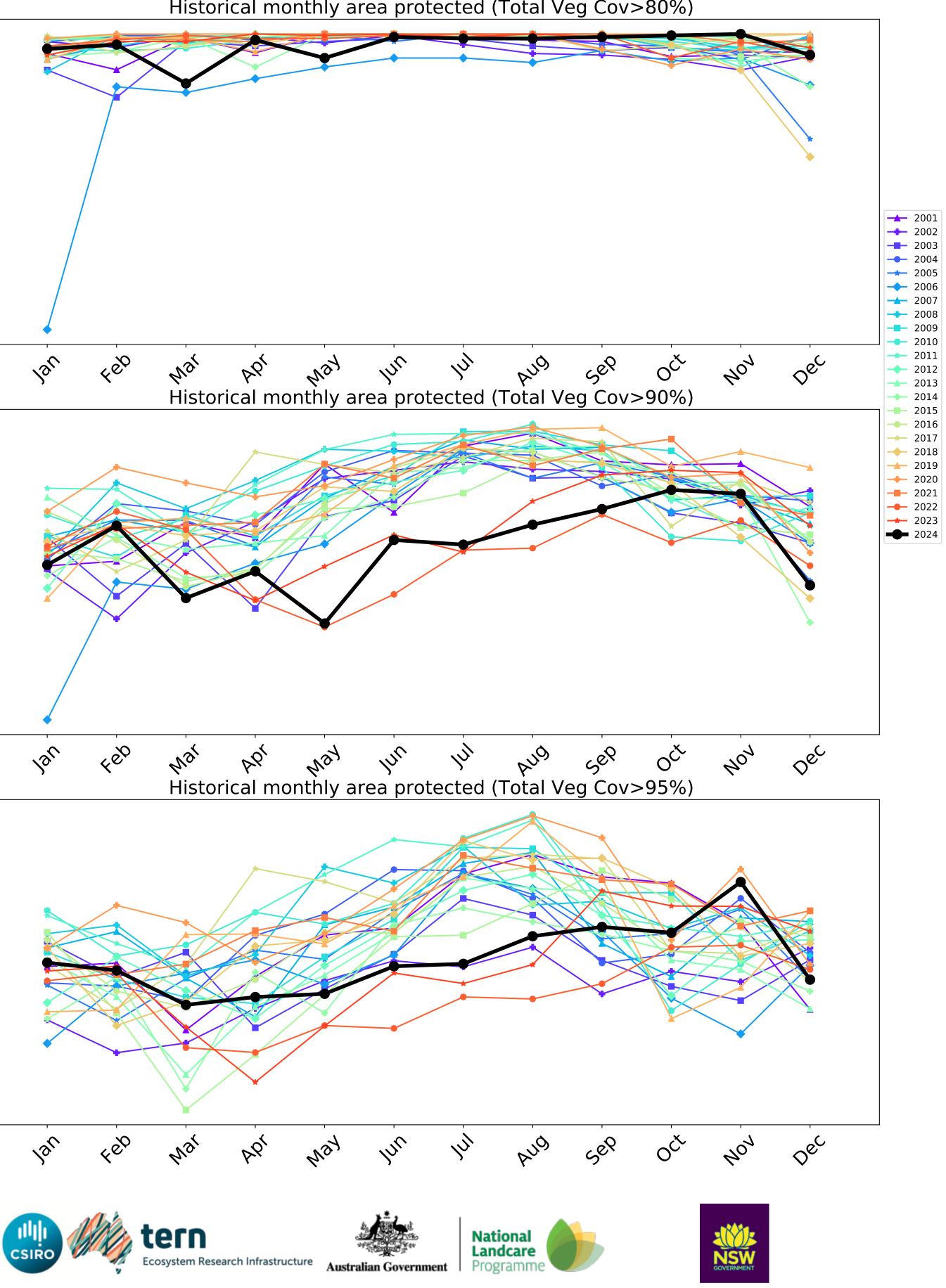




Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)







Mackay_(R) (745,875 ha and no data 15,436 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	745,875	99.9% 745,275	99.5% 742,450	96.3% 718,475	89.9% 670,650	61.2% 456,600	32.2% 240,425
Conservation and natural environments	191,125	99.9% 190,975	99.7% 190,525	98.6% 188,450	96.9% 185,150	77.9% 148,975	42.9% 82,050
Conservation and natural environments non forest	4,775	98.4% 4,700	96.9% 4,625	89.0% 4,250	76.4% 3,650	40.3% 1,925	25.7% 1,225
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	36,925	99.9% 36,875	99.6% 36,775	97.6% 36,025	94.9% 35,050	73.1% 26,975	46.5% 17,175
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	149,425	100.0% 149,400	99.8% 149,125	99.2% 148,175	98.0% 146,450	80.4% 120,075	42.6% 63,650
Agriculture	427,975	100.0% 427,975	99.8% 426,950	96.7% 413,800	89.0% 380,725	55.3% 236,850	28.1% 120,400
Grazing	295,525	100.0% 295,525	99.7% 294,525	95.7% 282,875	89.4% 264,325	64.2% 189,750	35.0% 103,350
Grazing non forest	139,775	100.0% 139,775	99.9% 139,650	99.2% 138,700	96.1% 134,325	63.2% 88,300	28.4% 39,650
Grazing Woodland forest	108,725	100.0% 108,725	99.2% 107,850	89.5% 97,350	77.2% 83,900	58.3% 63,375	36.9% 40,125
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	47,025	100.0% 47,025	100.0% 47,025	99.6% 46,825	98.0% 46,100	81.0% 38,075	50.1% 23,575
Irrigation	131,850	100.0% 131,850	100.0% 131,825	98.8% 130,325	87.8% 115,800	35.4% 46,650	12.8% 16,875
Production native forests and plantation forests	62,700	100.0% 62,700	100.0% 62,700	100.0% 62,700	99.4% 62,350	82.4% 51,675	45.0% 28,225

