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

## **Date: September 2023**

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

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

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

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

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

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

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

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

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

#### **Erosion protection**

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

#### Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

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

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

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

### Acknowledgment of data:

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

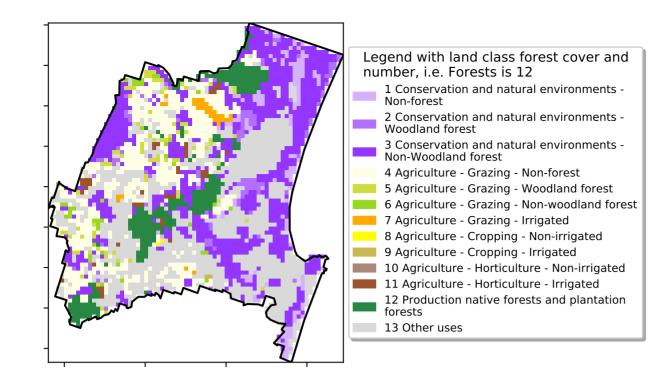
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## **Vegetation Cover Sep 2023**

#### Land use and forest cover

#### Proportion of each land class in area



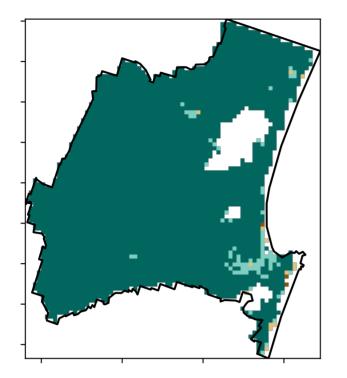
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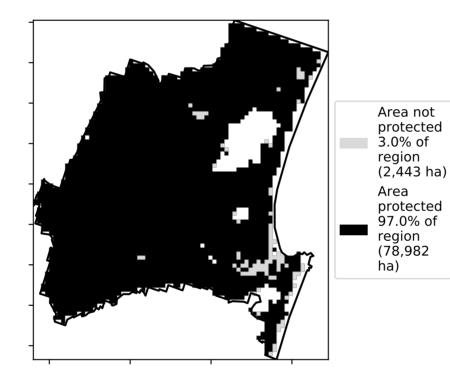
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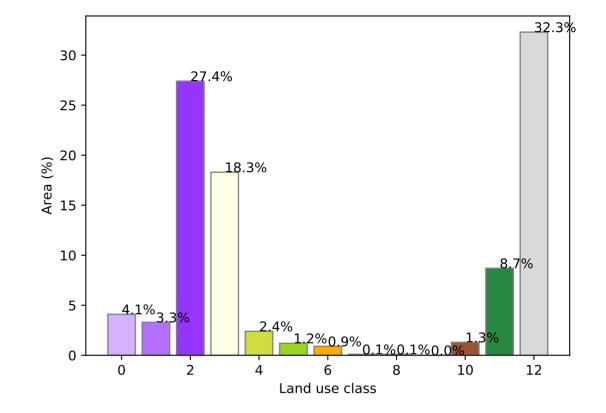
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#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

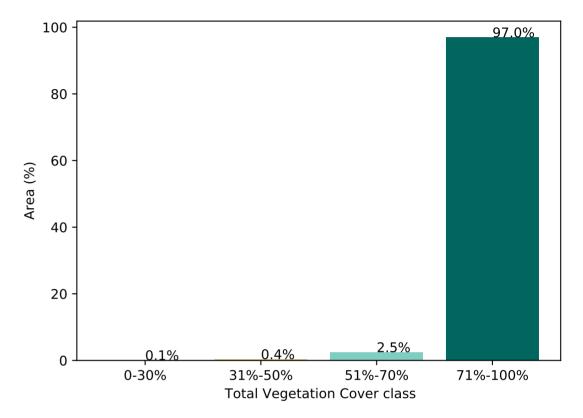


#### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

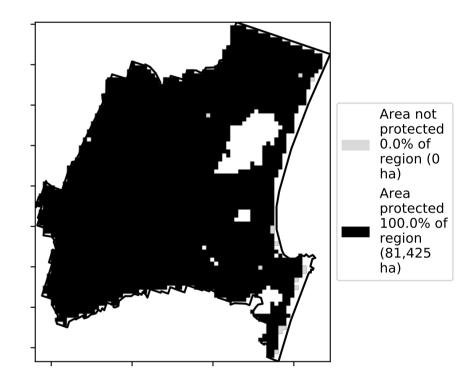




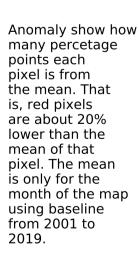
#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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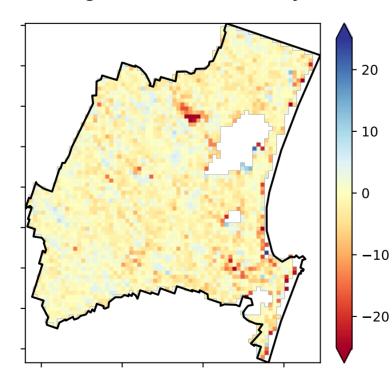
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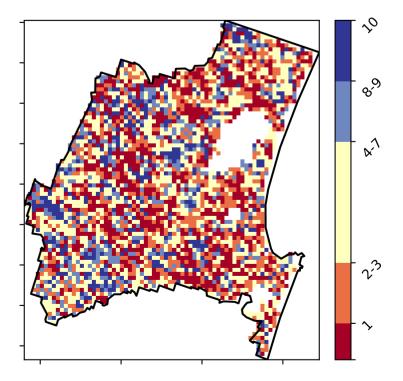
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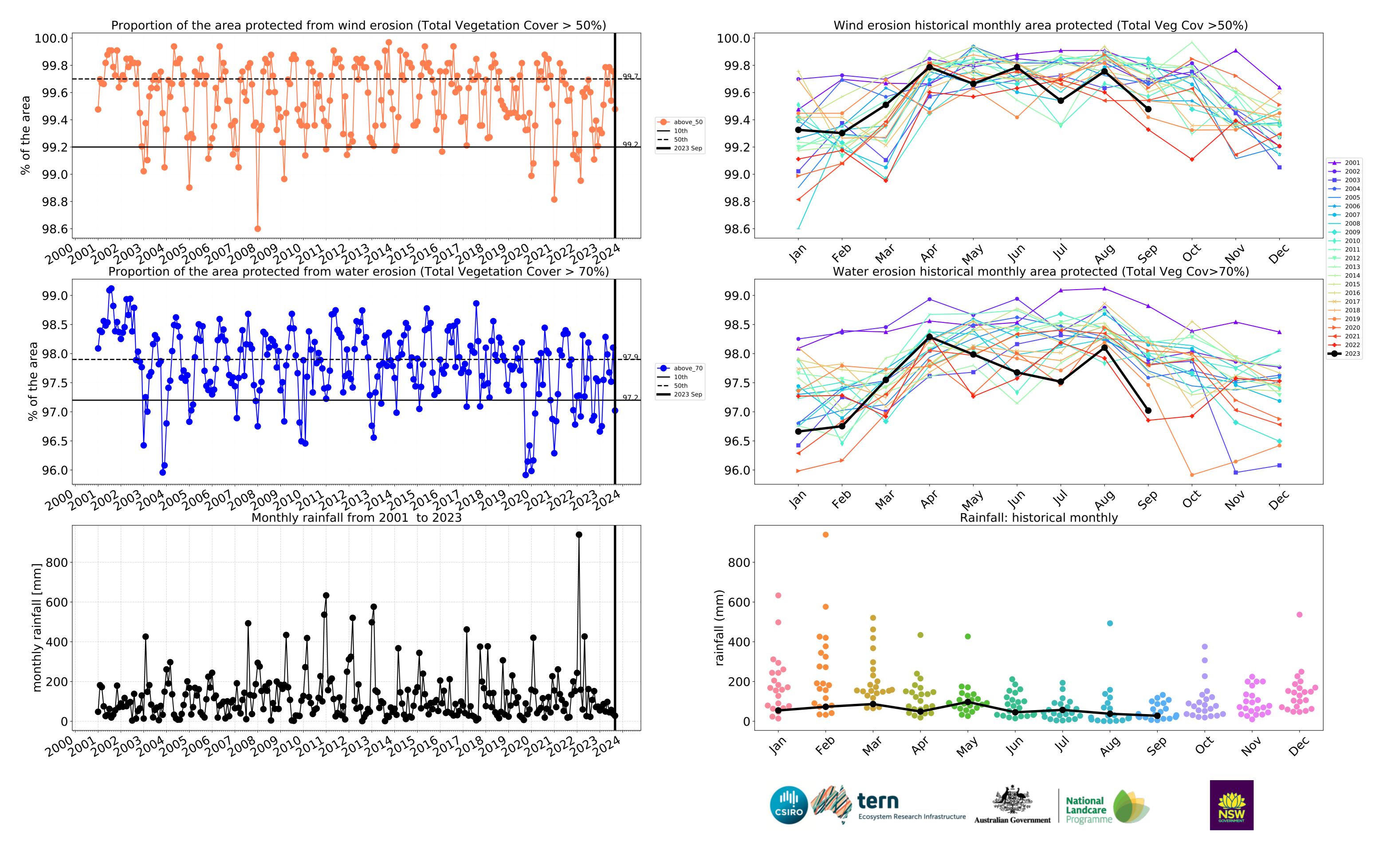


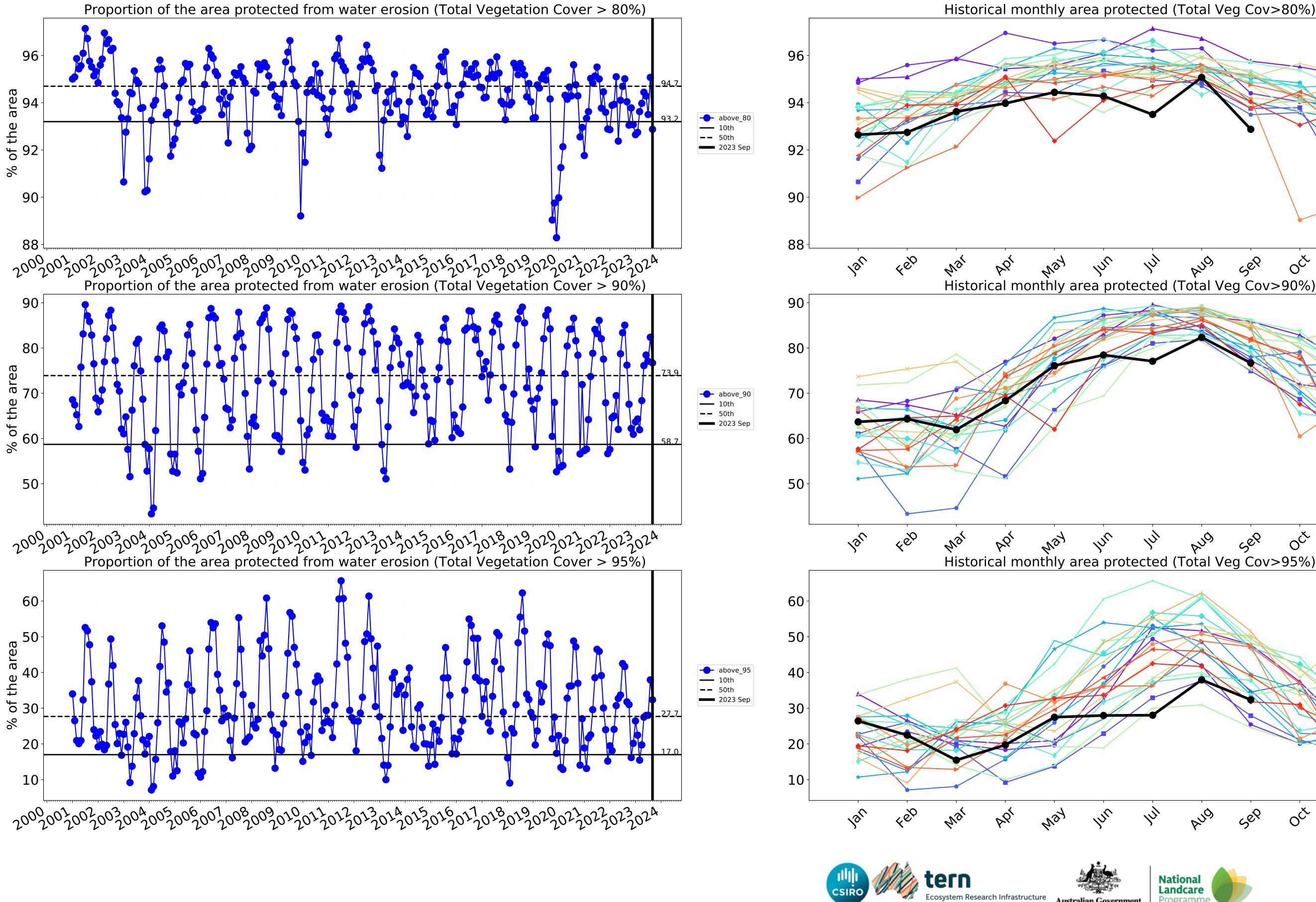
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 







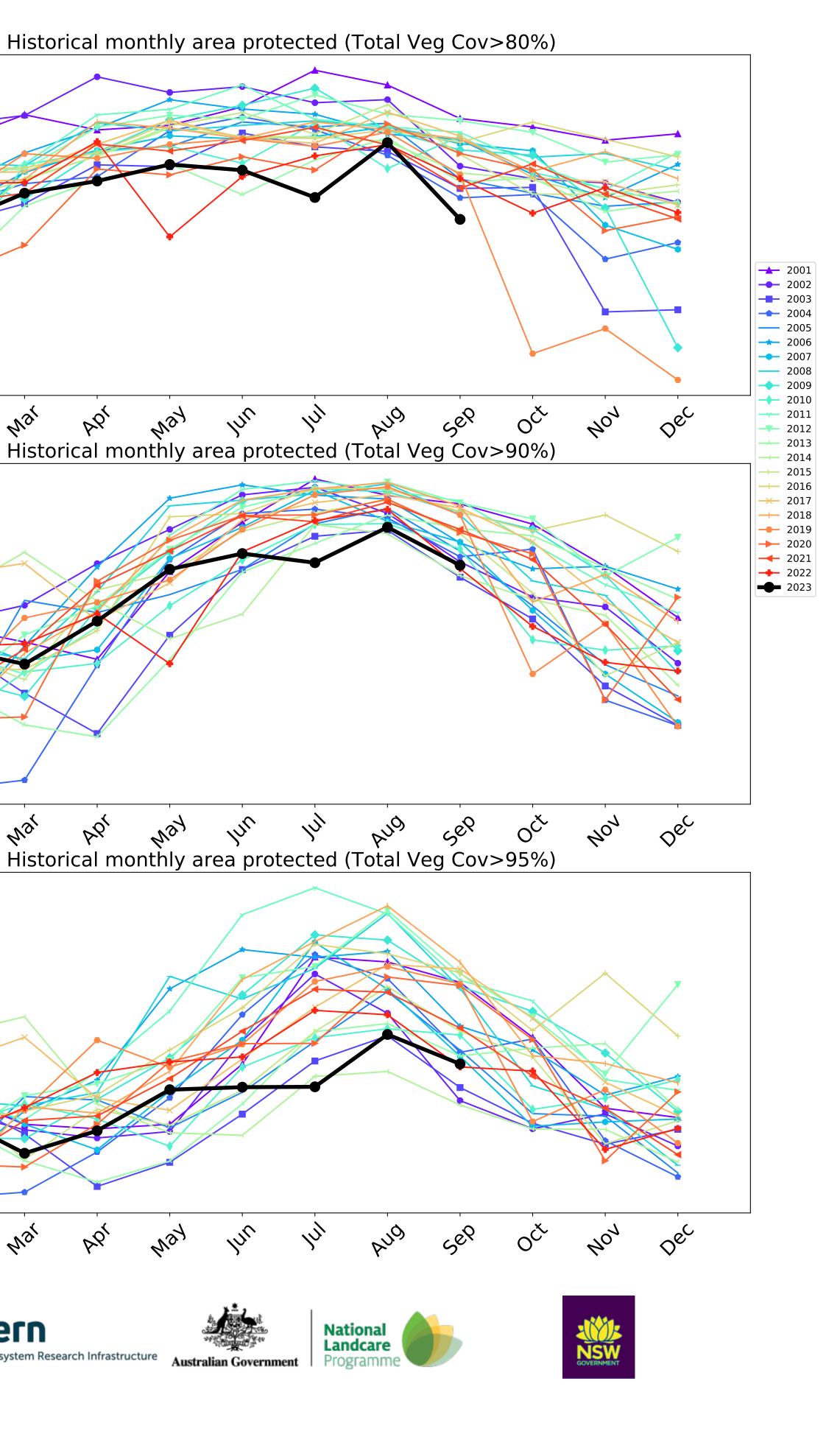


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#### **Conservation and natural environments**

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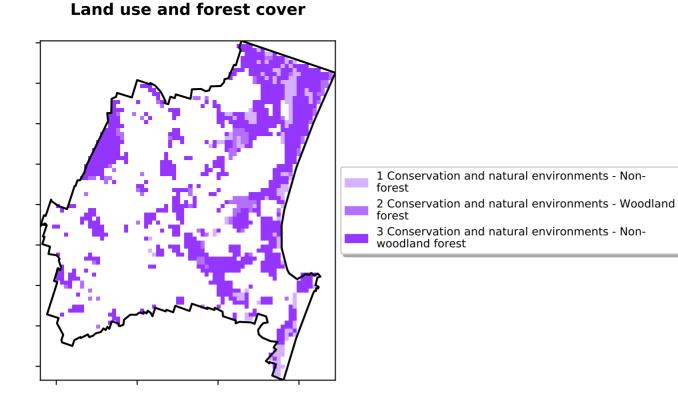
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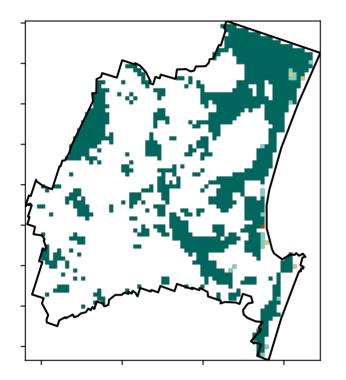
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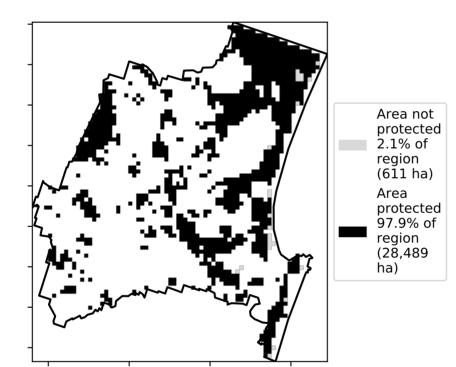
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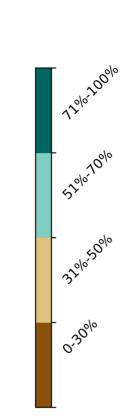


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

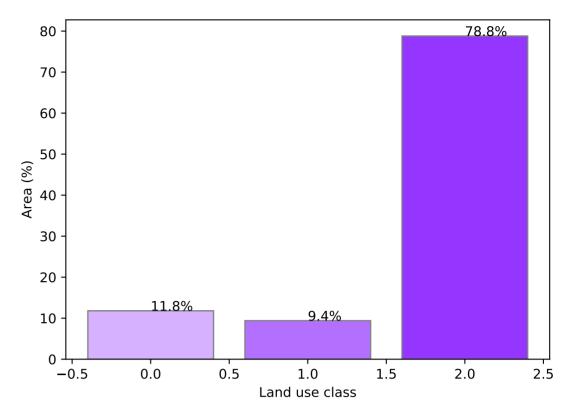


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

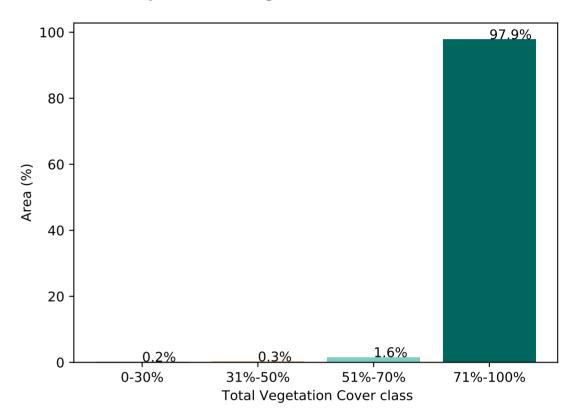




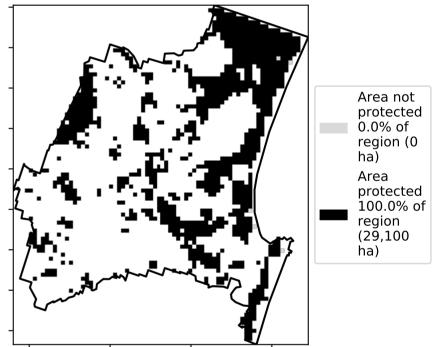
#### Proportion of each land class in area



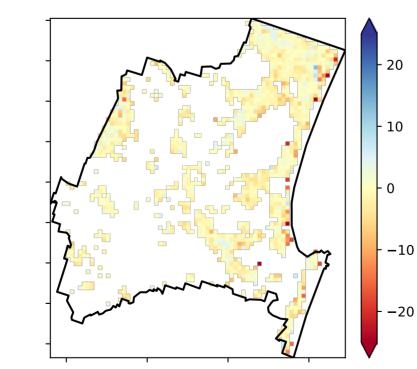
#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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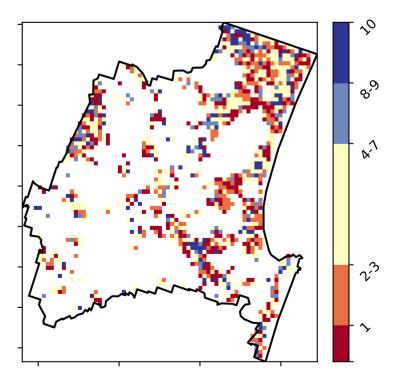


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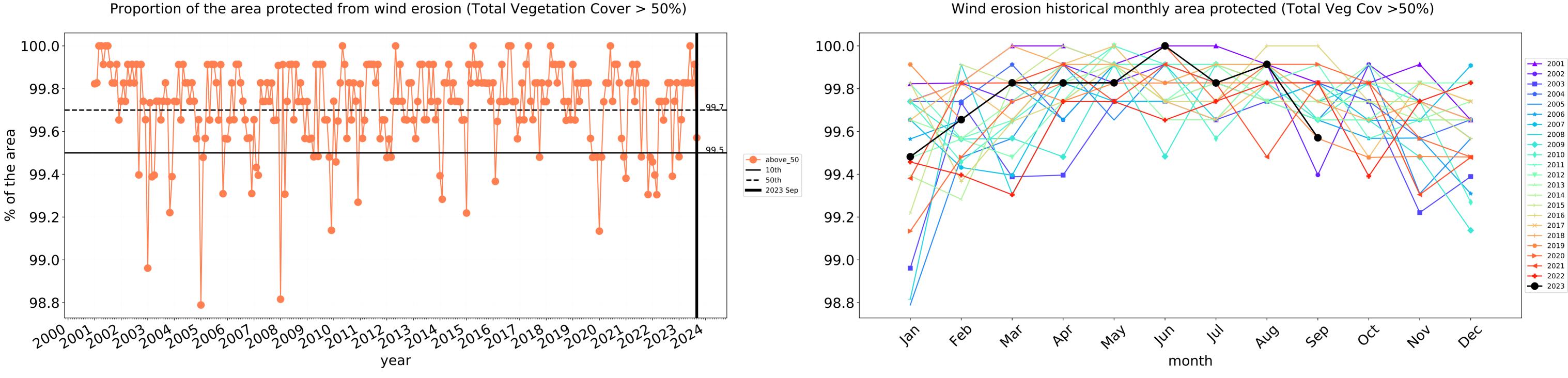
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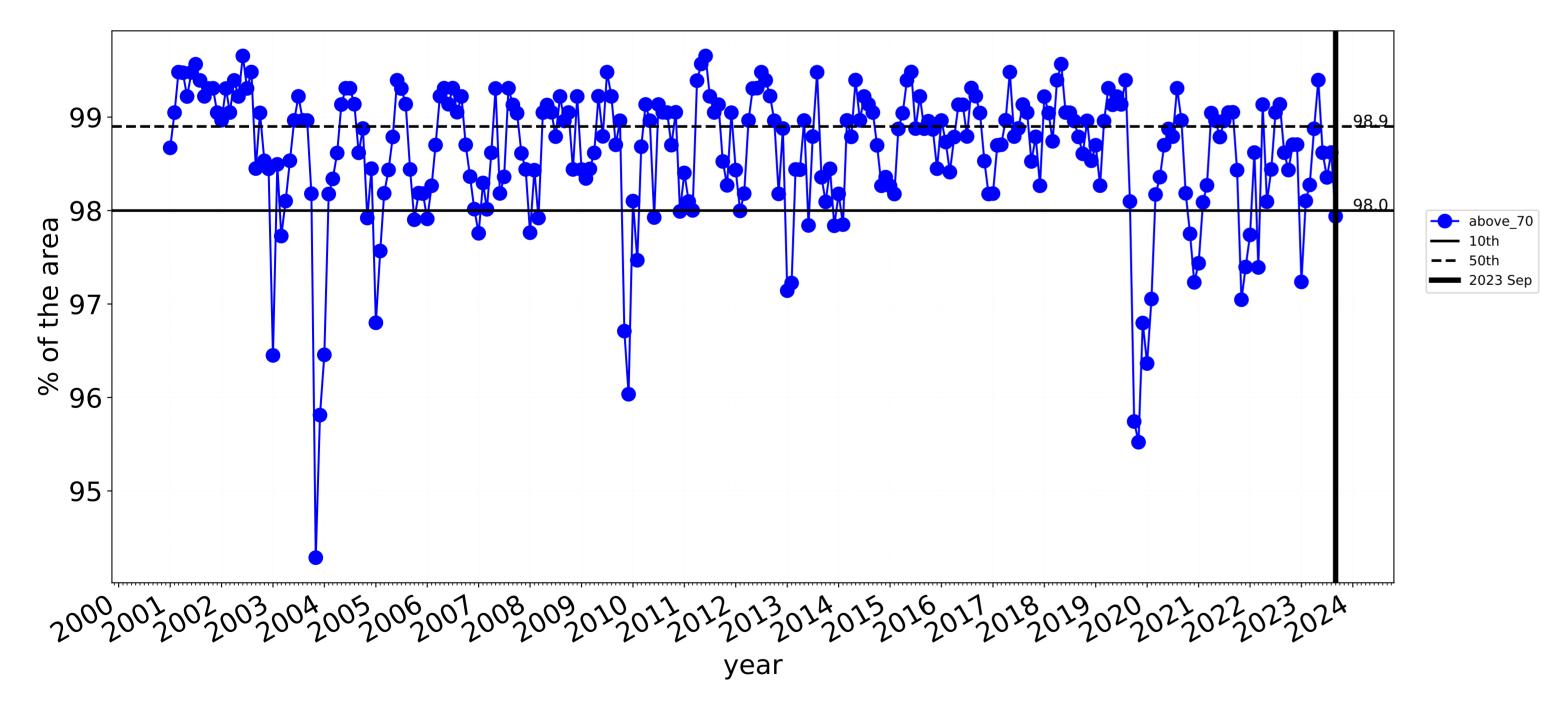


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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

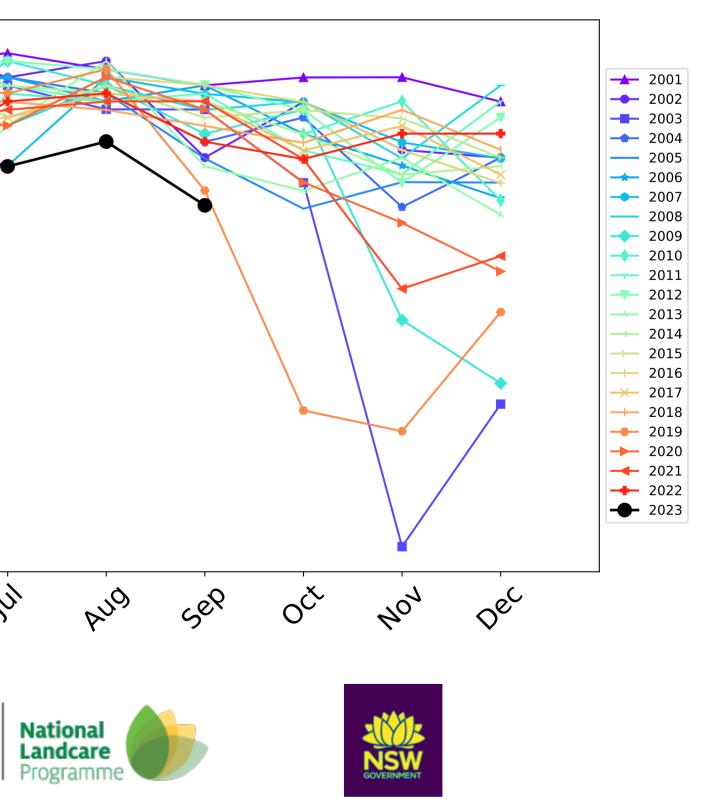
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



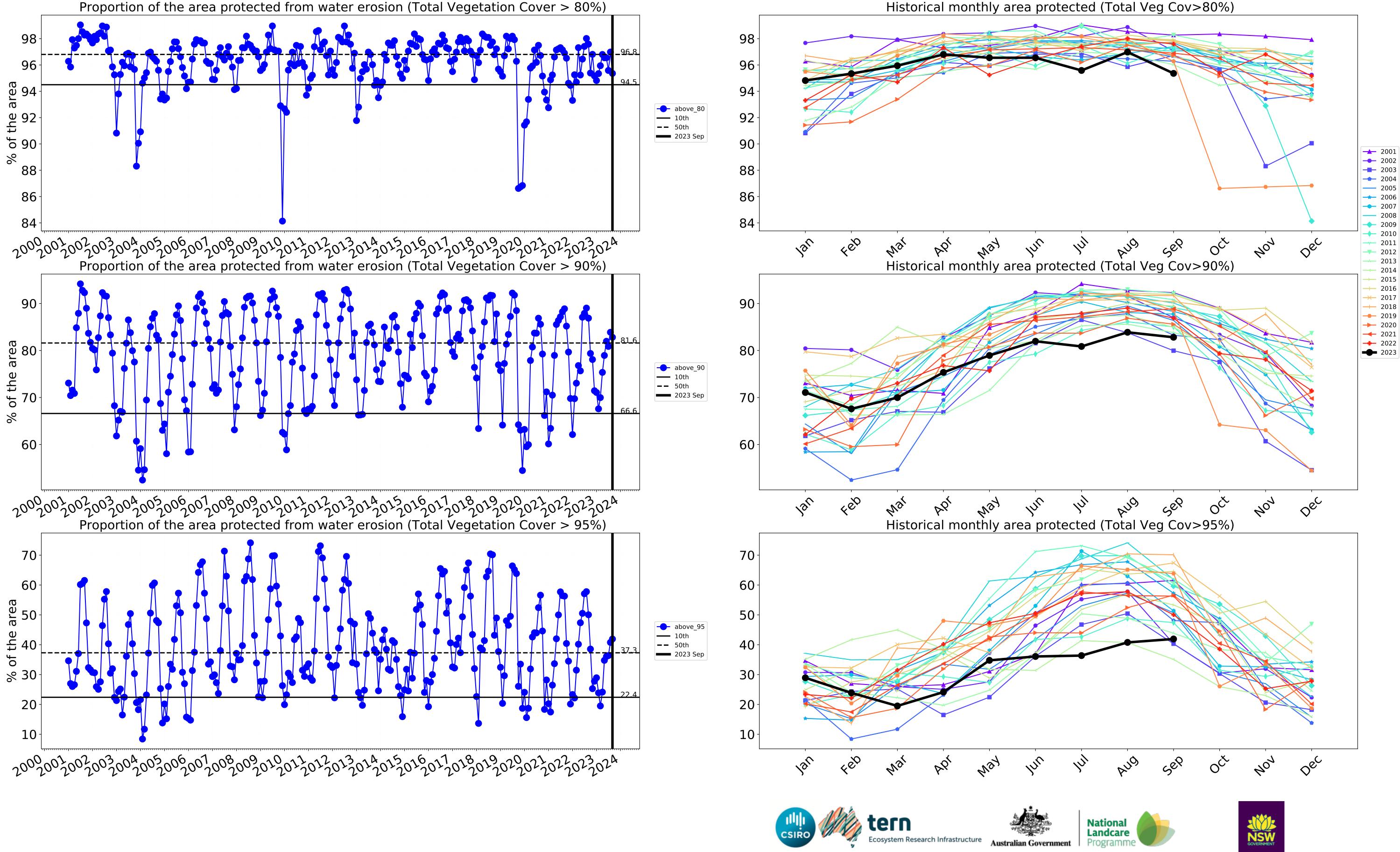
### **Conservation and natural environments timeseries**

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

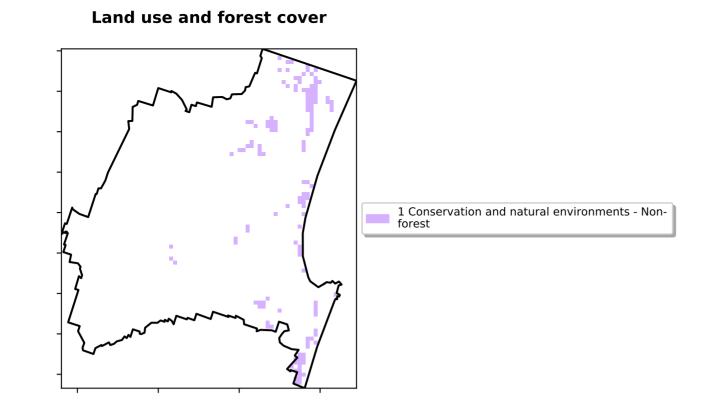


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 80%)



#### **Conservation and natural environments non forest**

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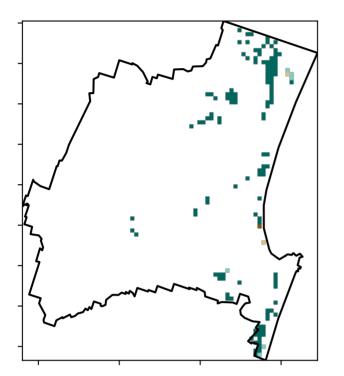
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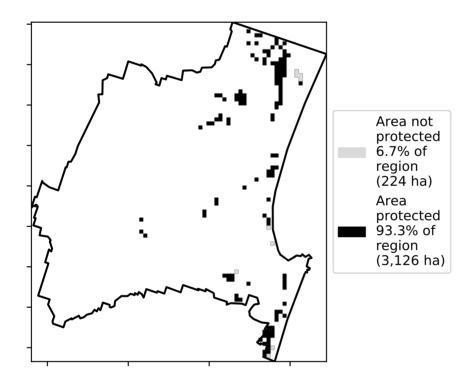
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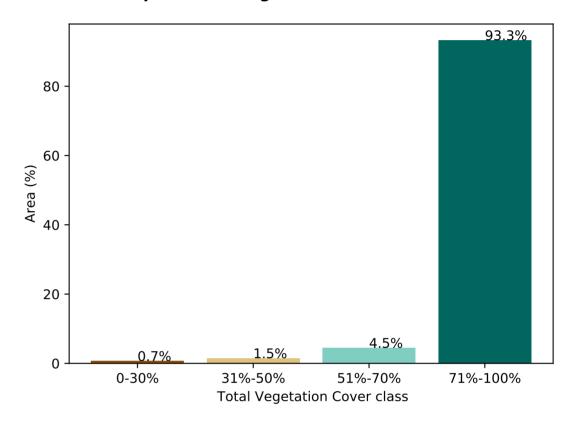
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



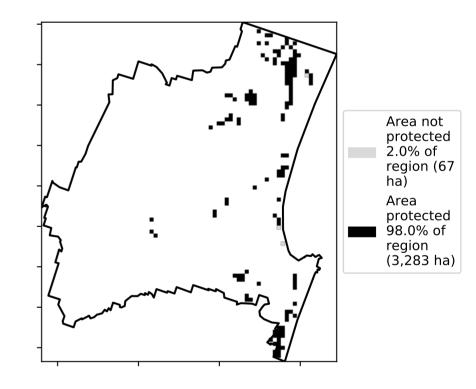
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

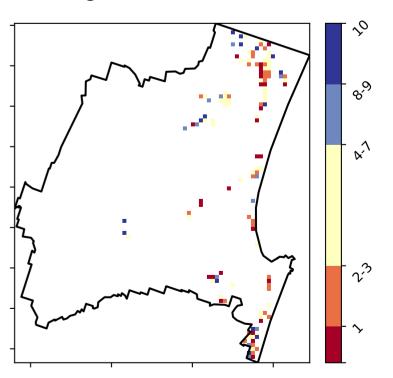


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

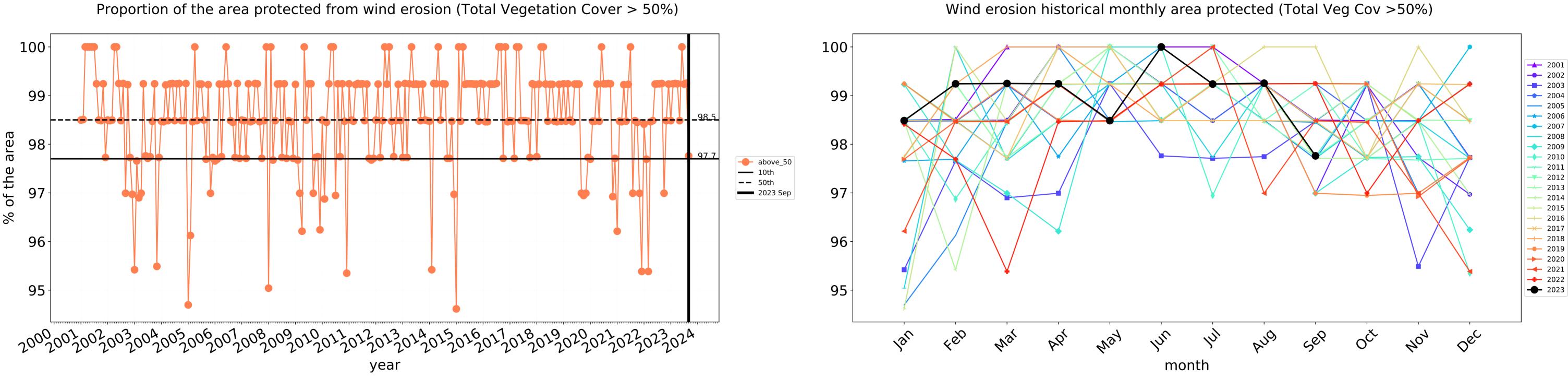
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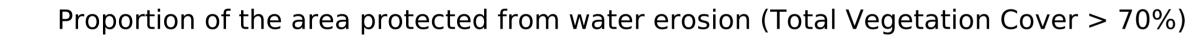


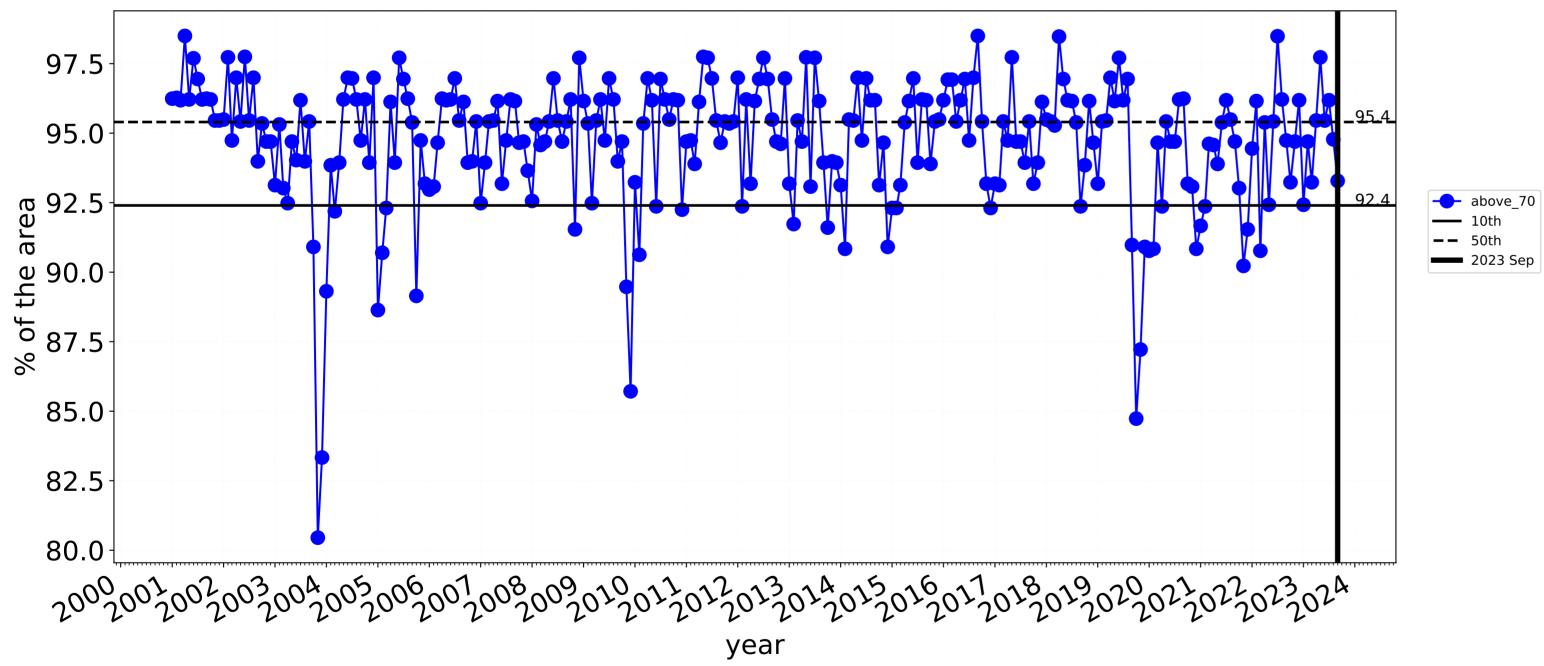


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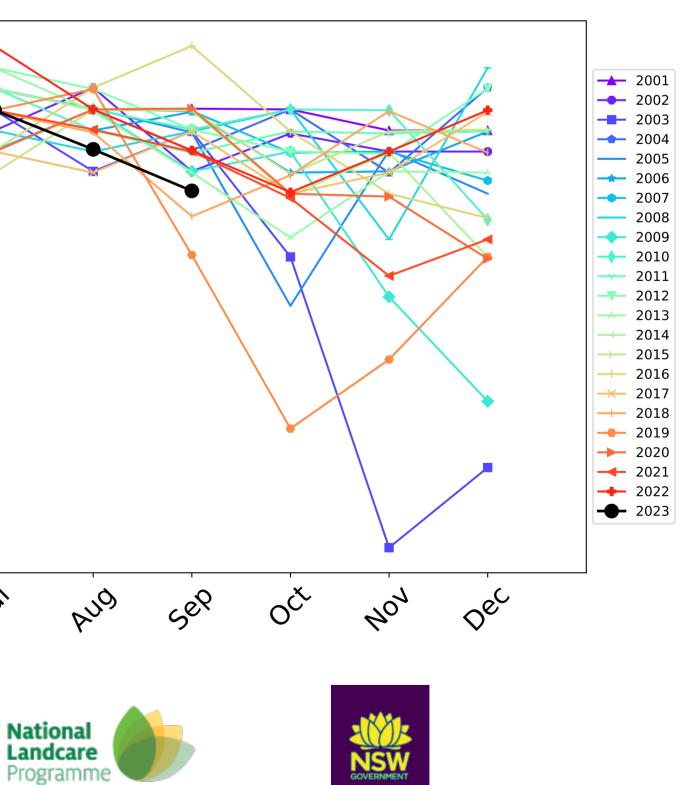




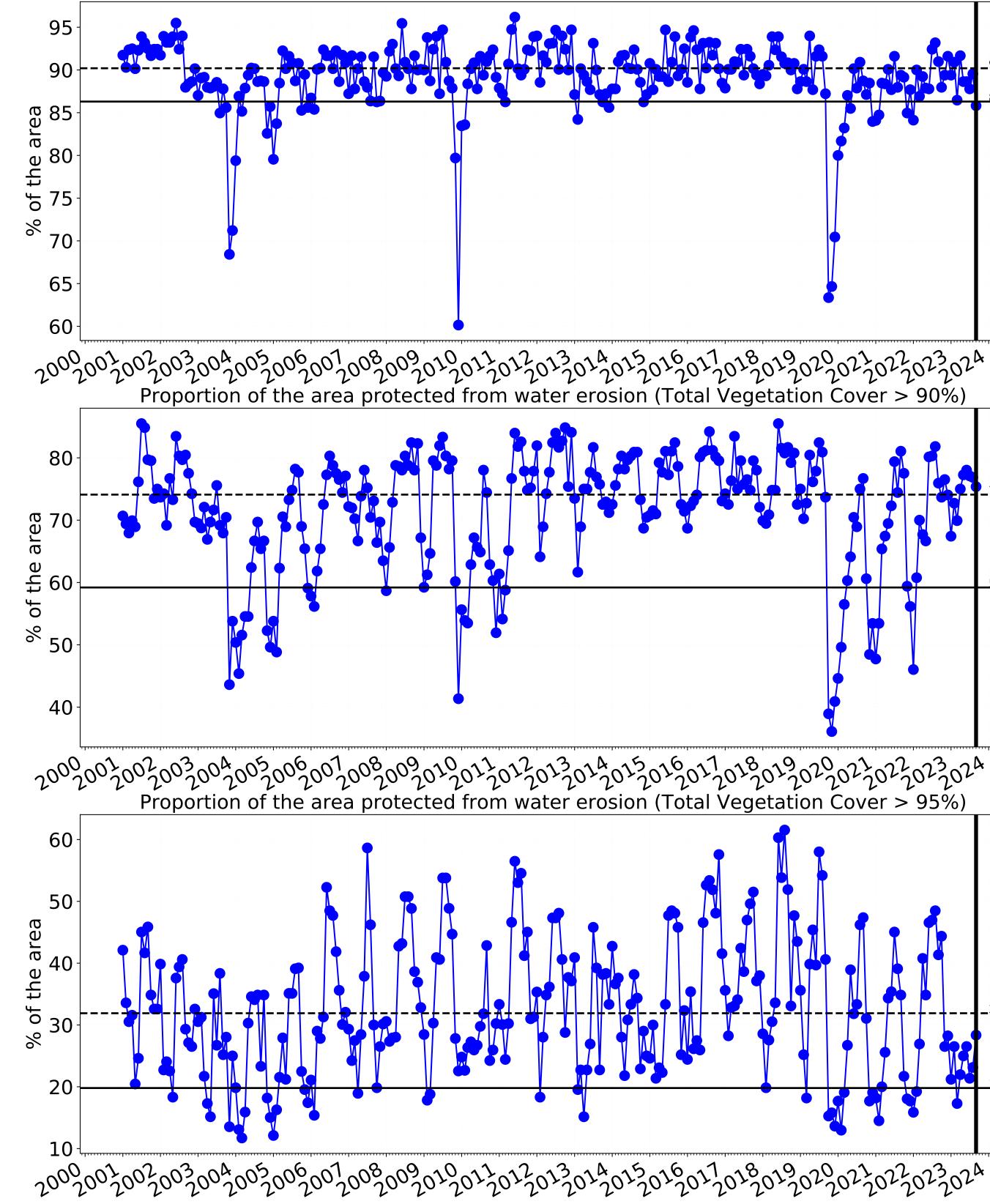
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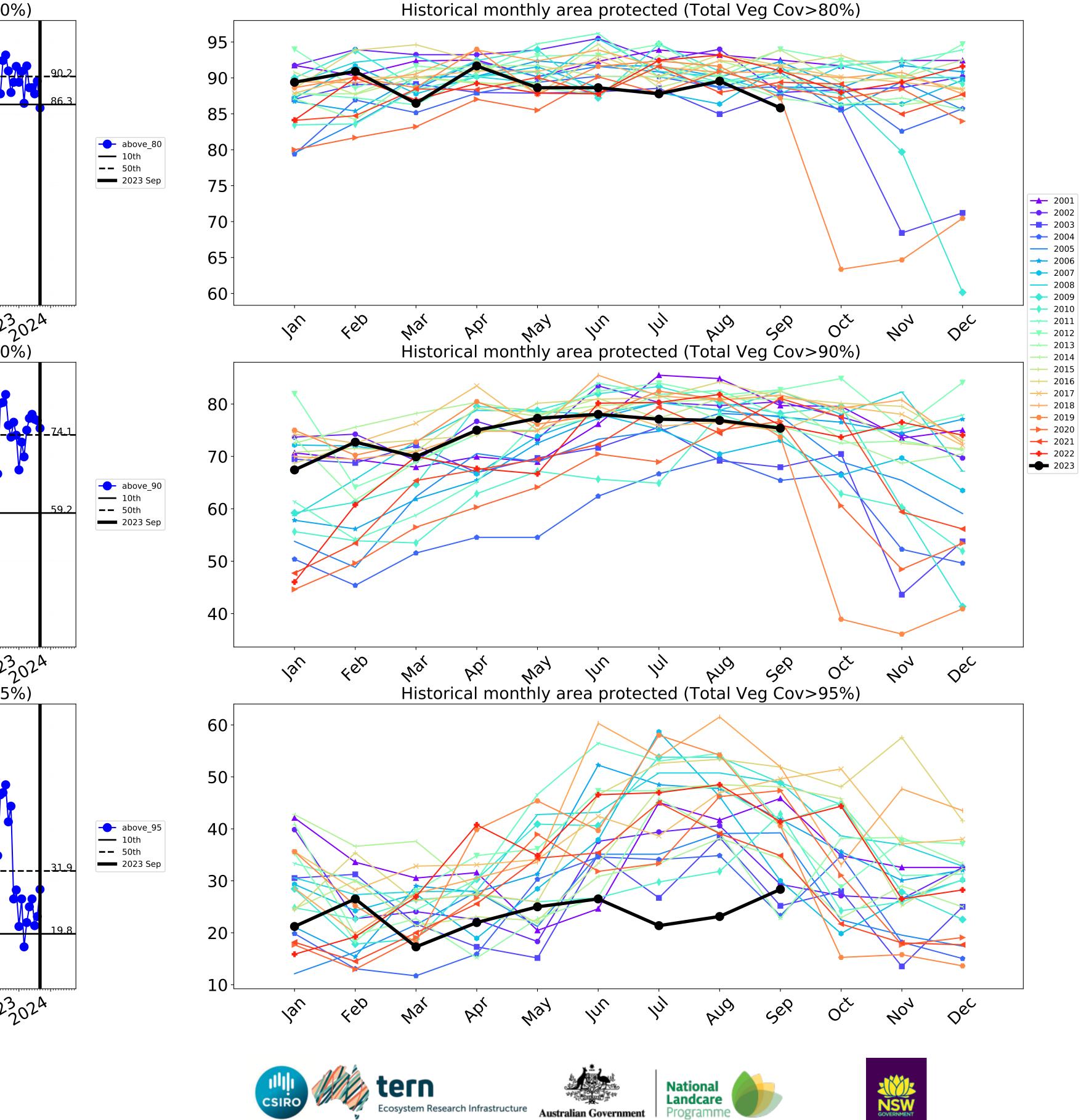
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

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





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

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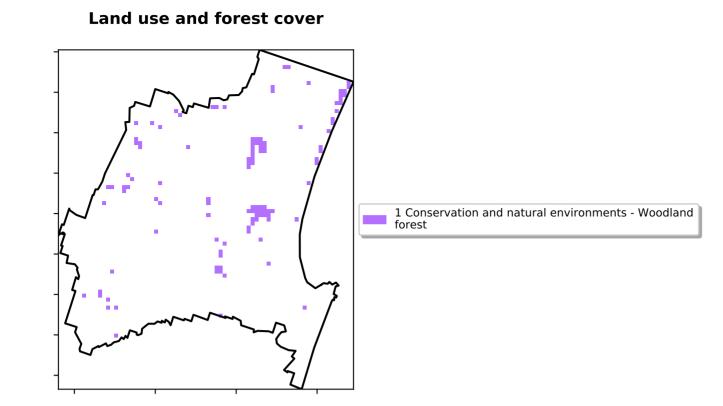
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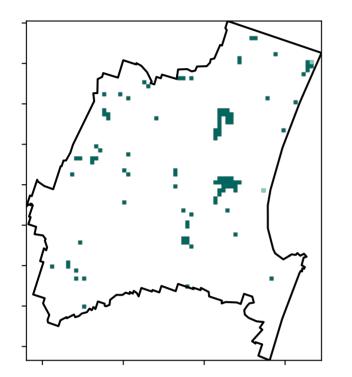
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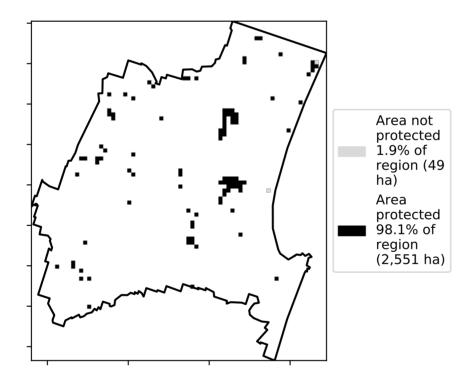
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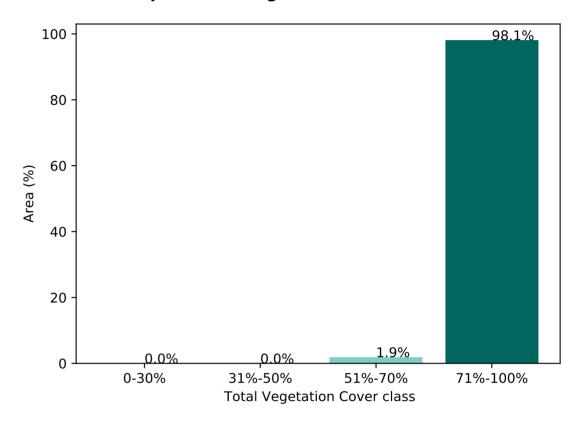
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



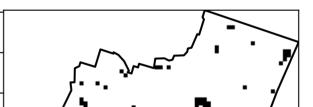




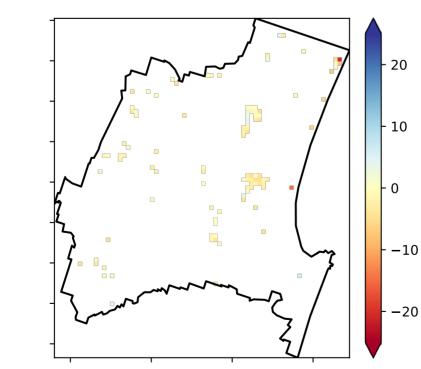
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



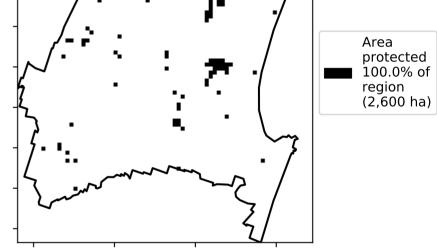
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



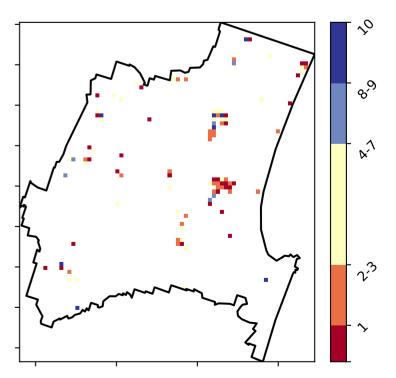
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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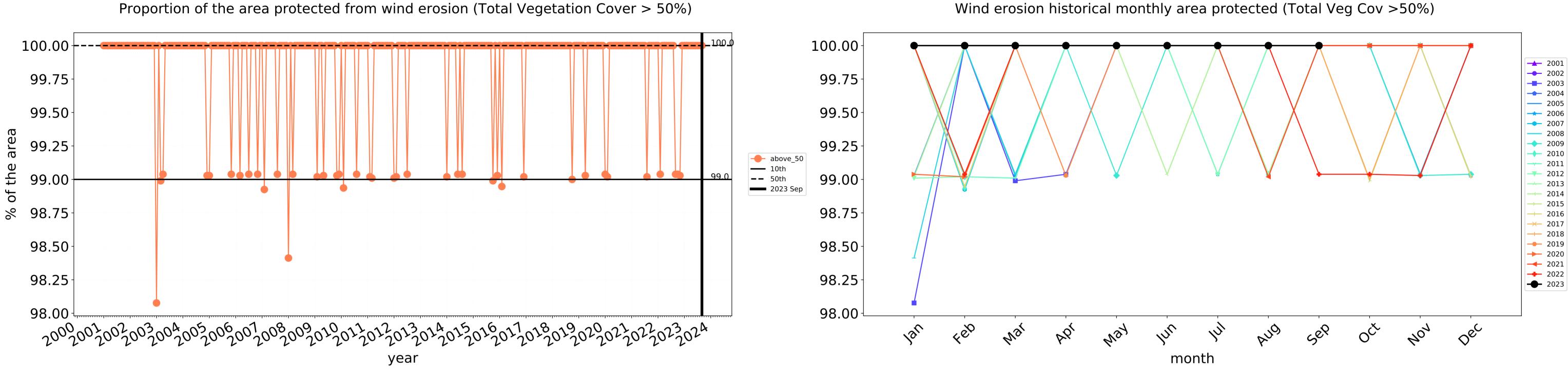


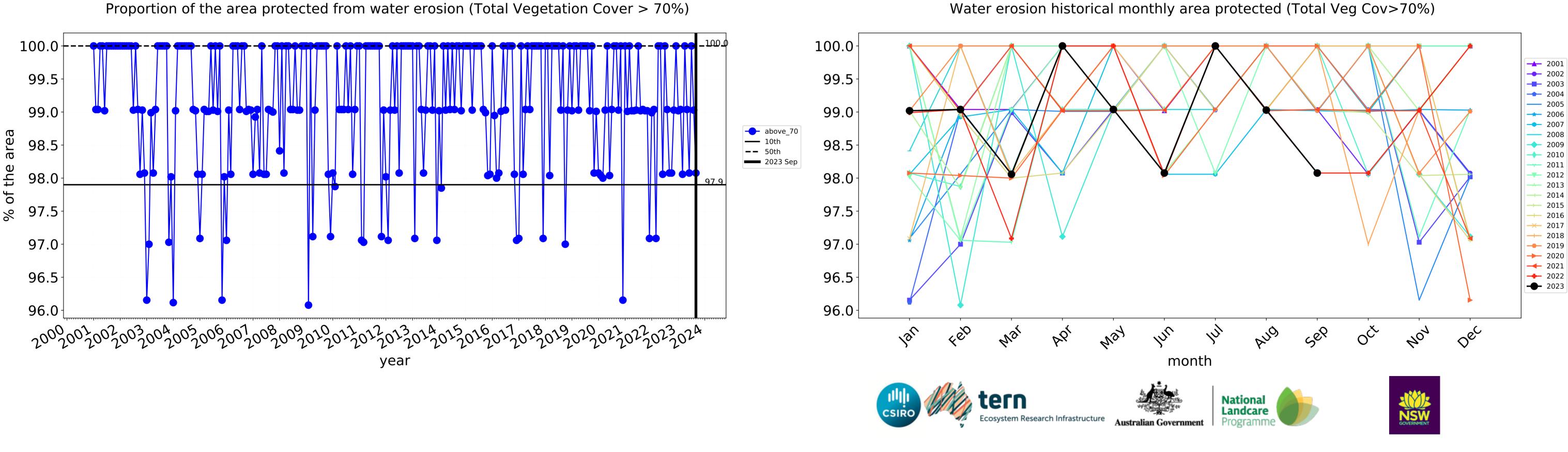
**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



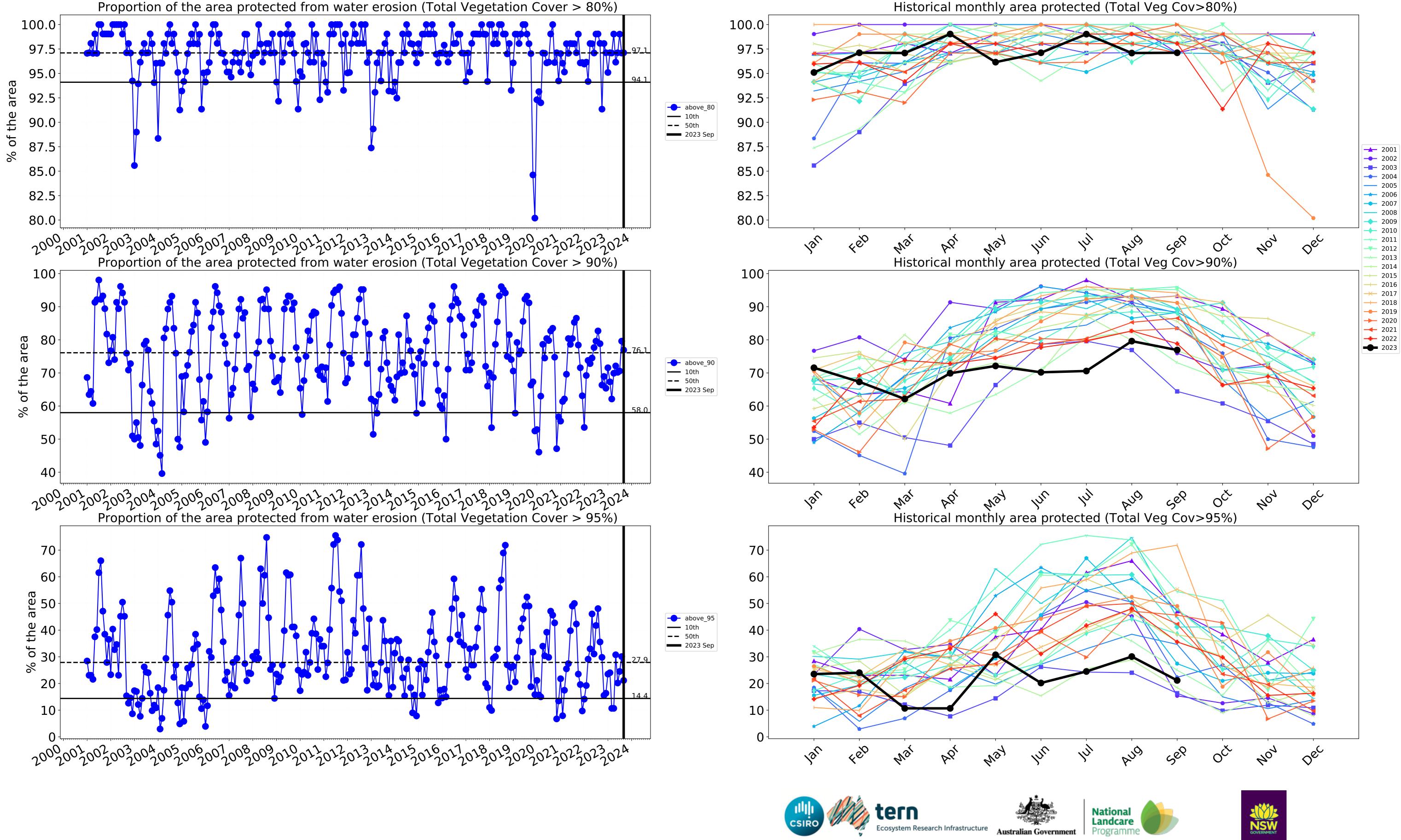


### **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries**





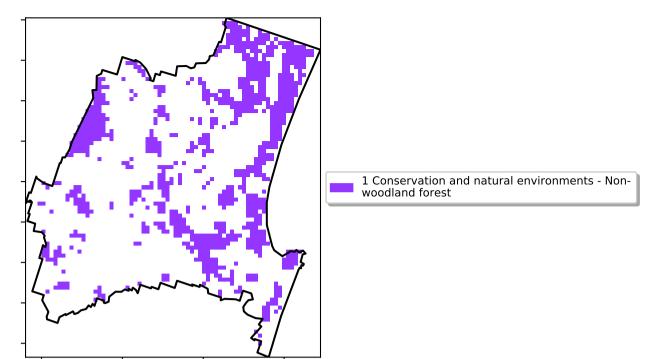
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



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

Land use and forest cover

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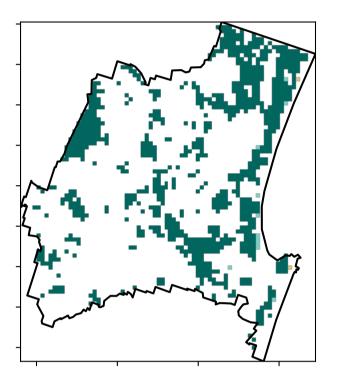
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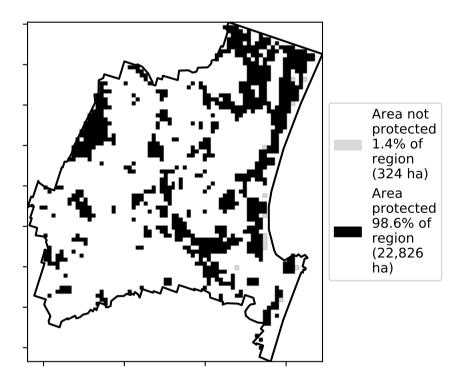
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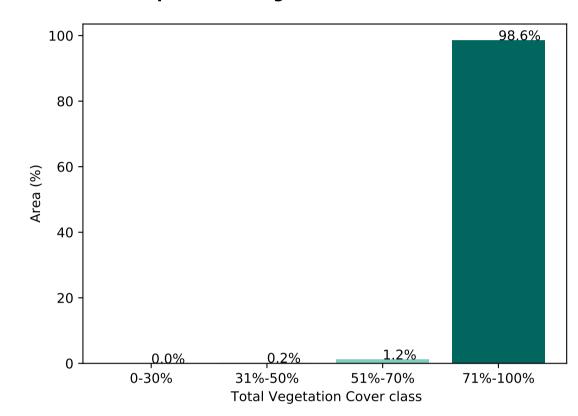
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



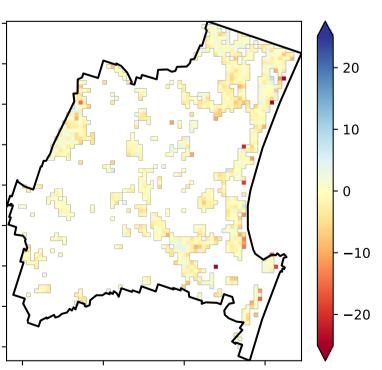
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Area not protected 0.0% of

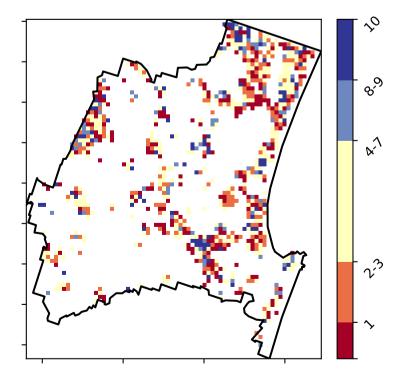
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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Area protected 100.0% of region (23,150 ha)

**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





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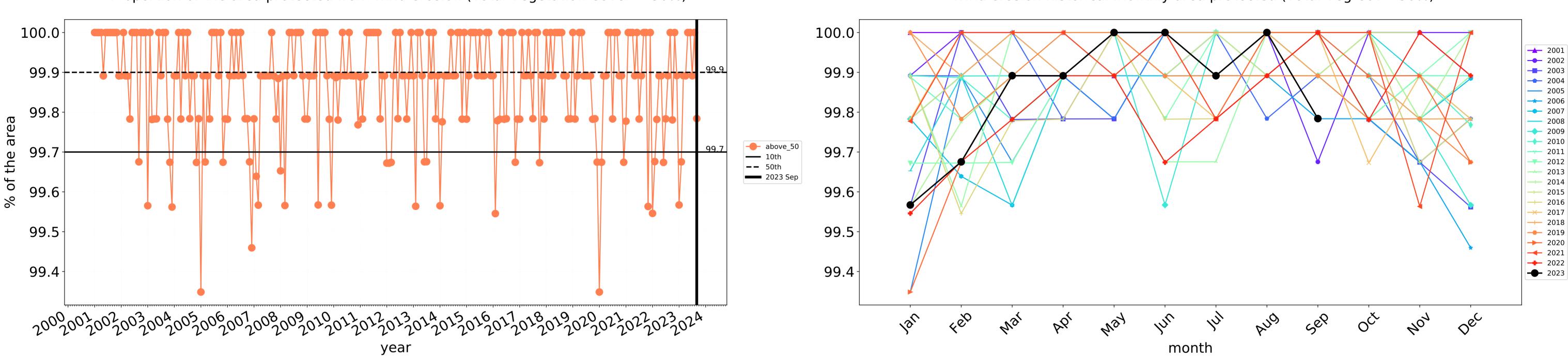
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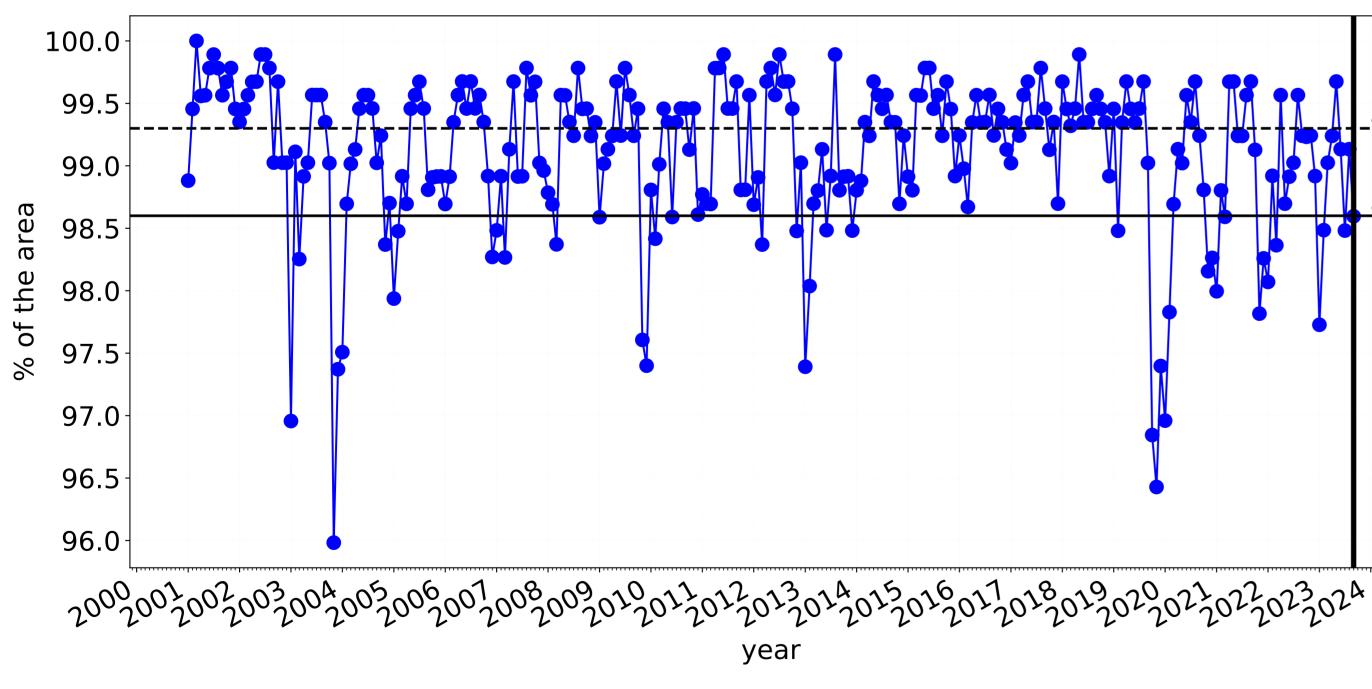
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### **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries**



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

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

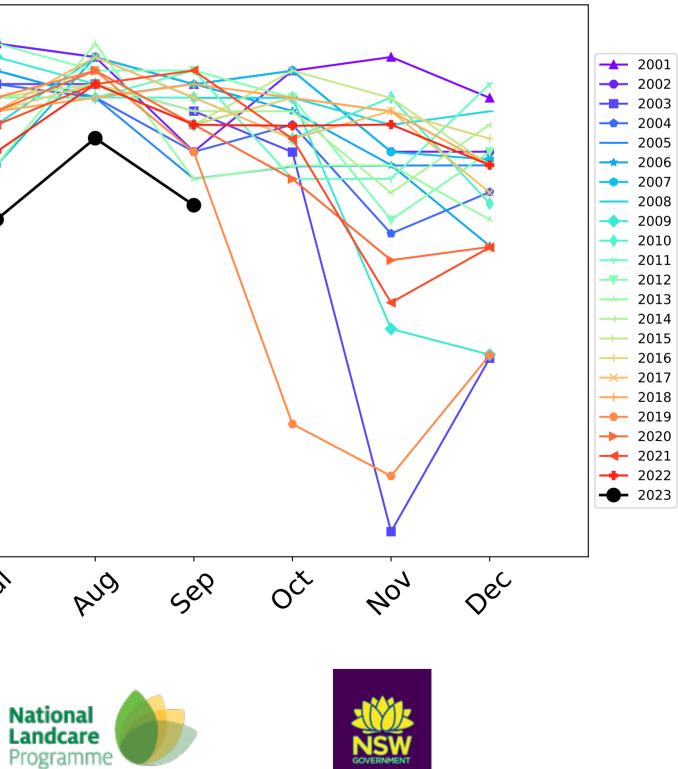


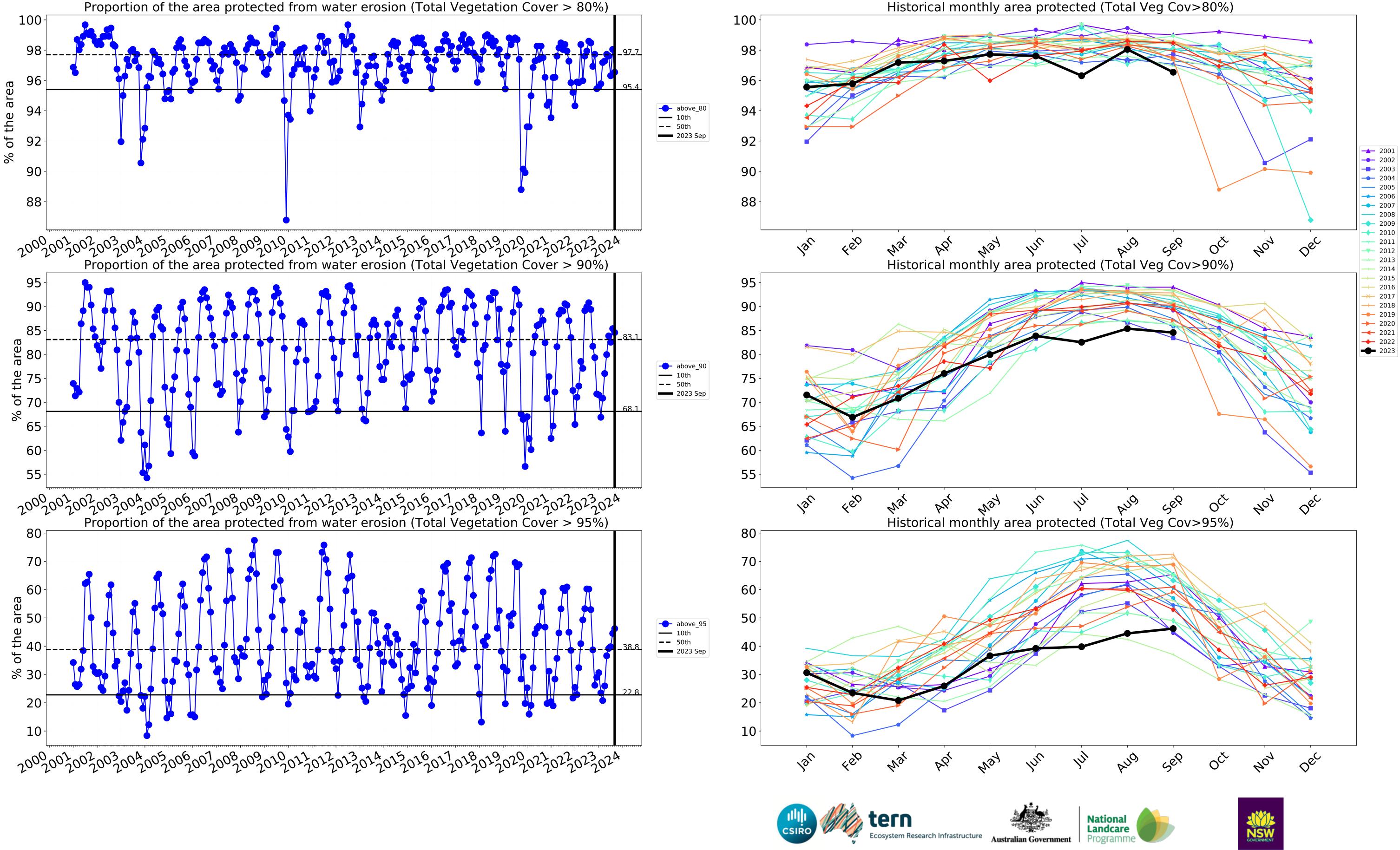
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Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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





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

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#### Agriculture

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· 52% 70%

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0.30%

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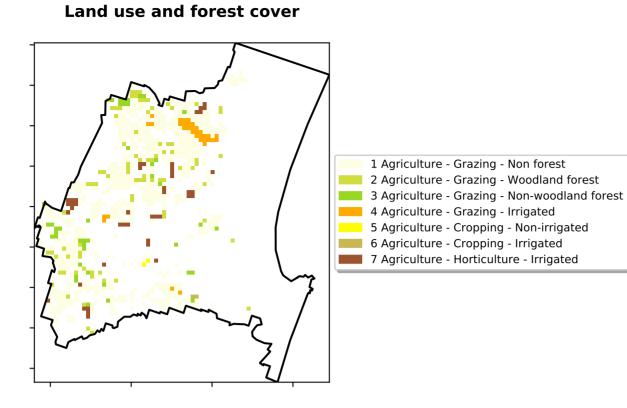
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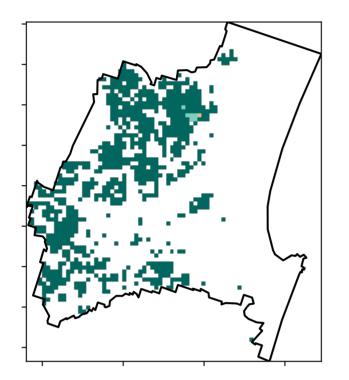
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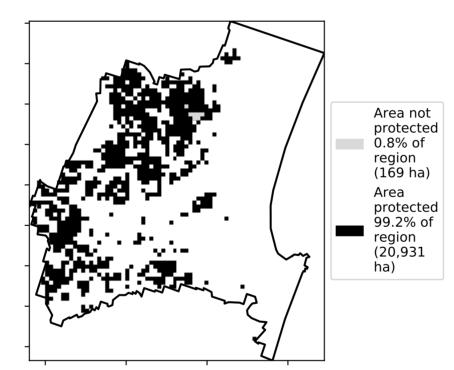
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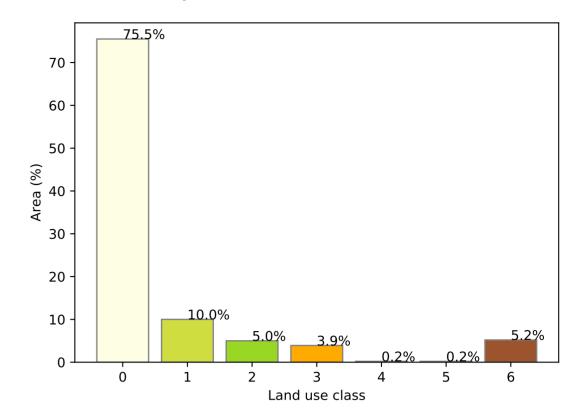


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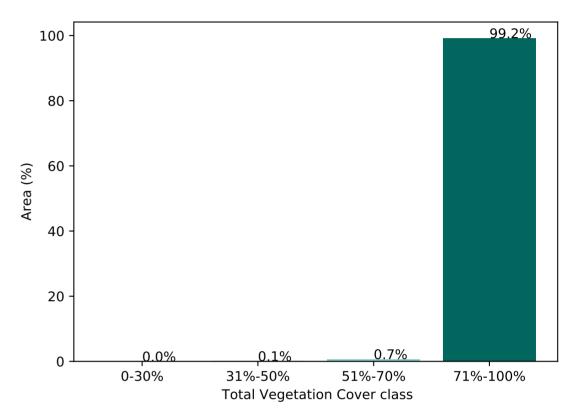
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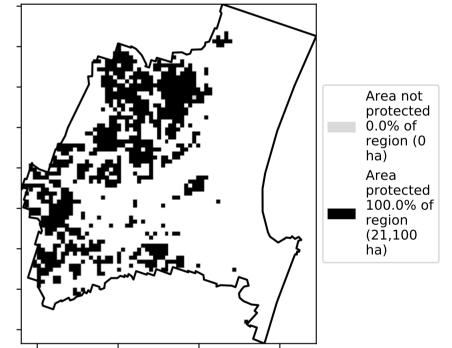


#### Proportion of each land class in area

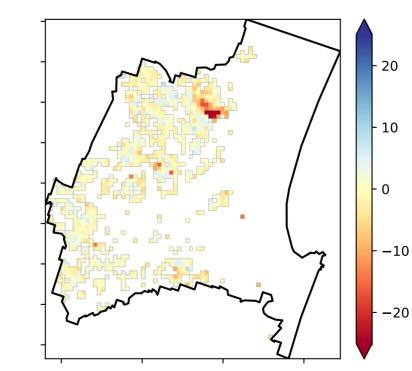
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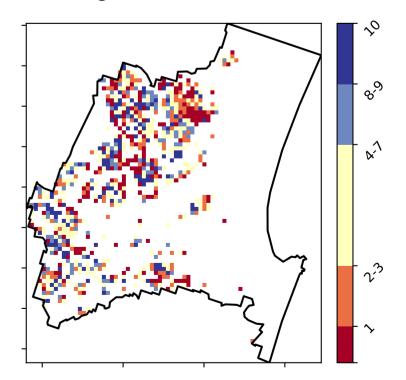


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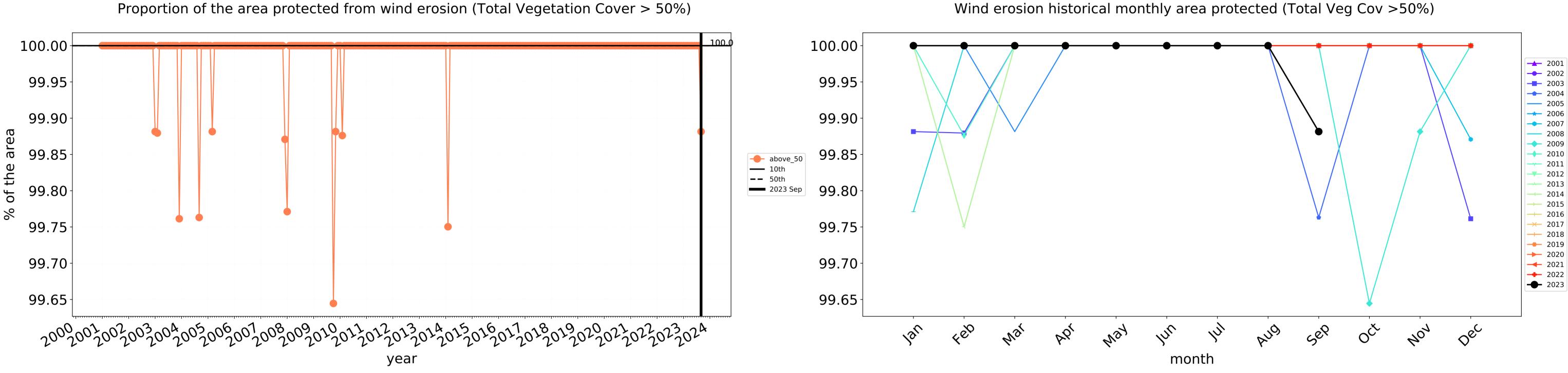


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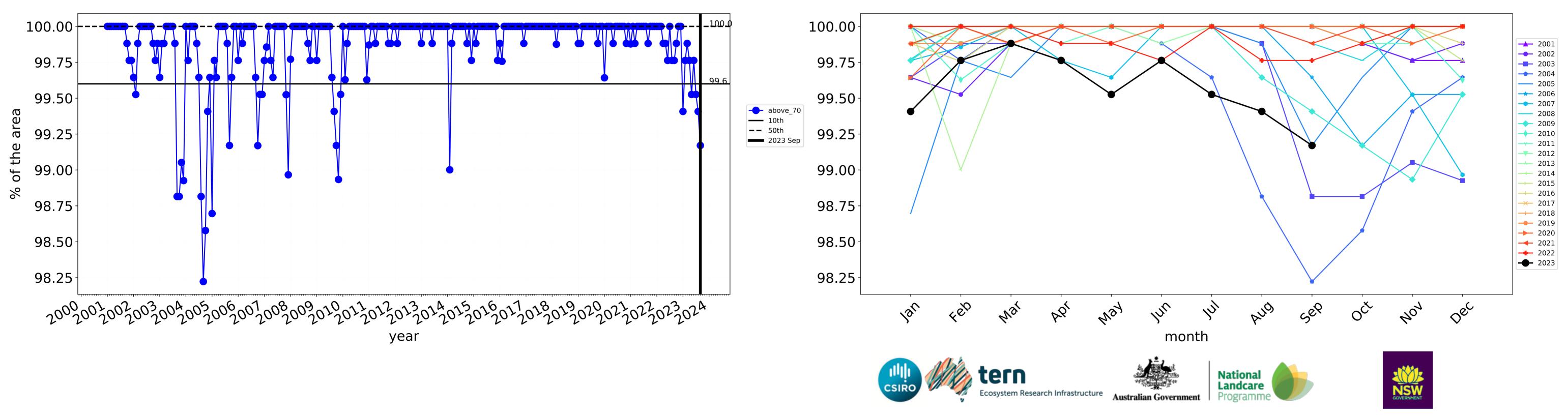
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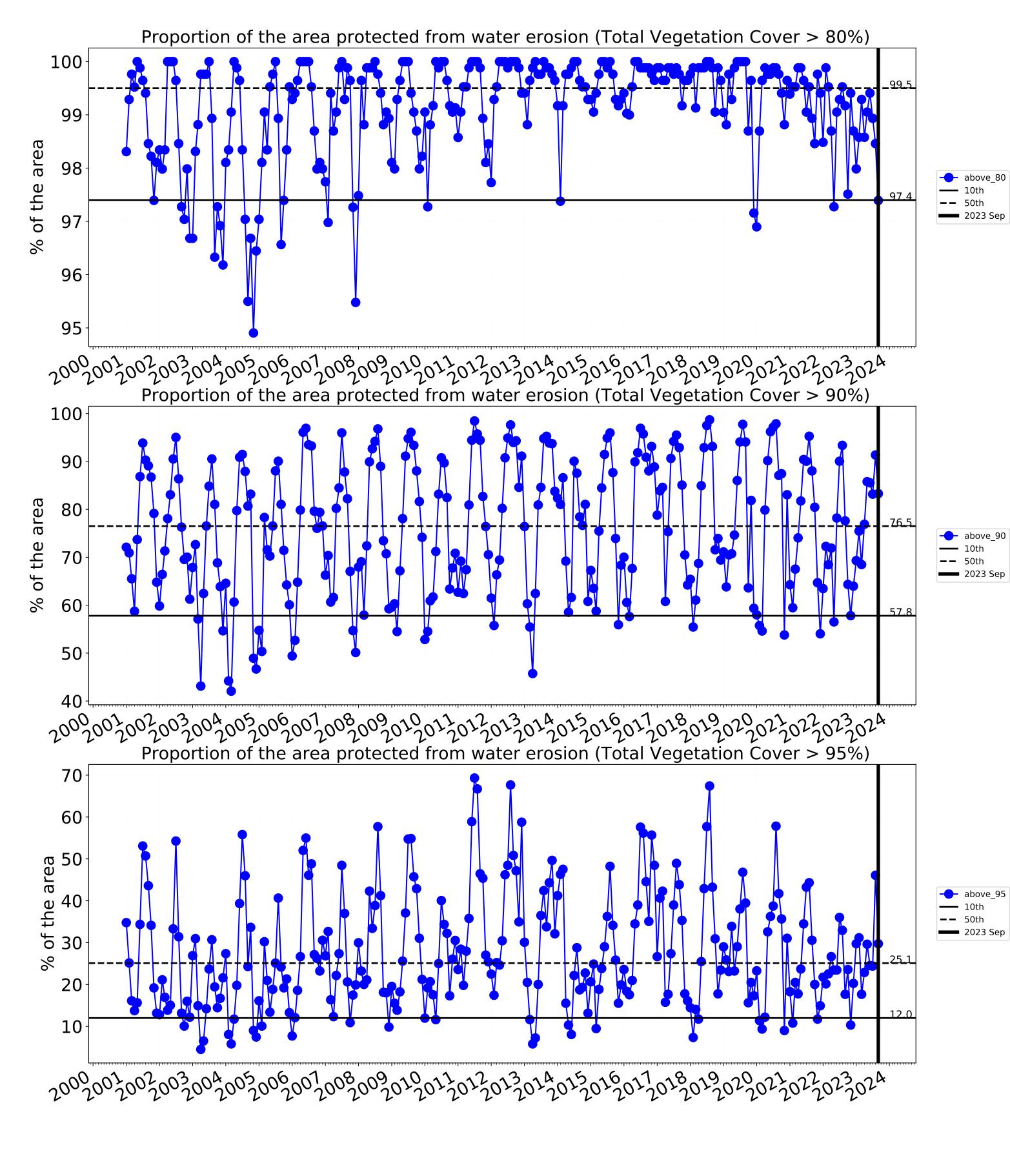


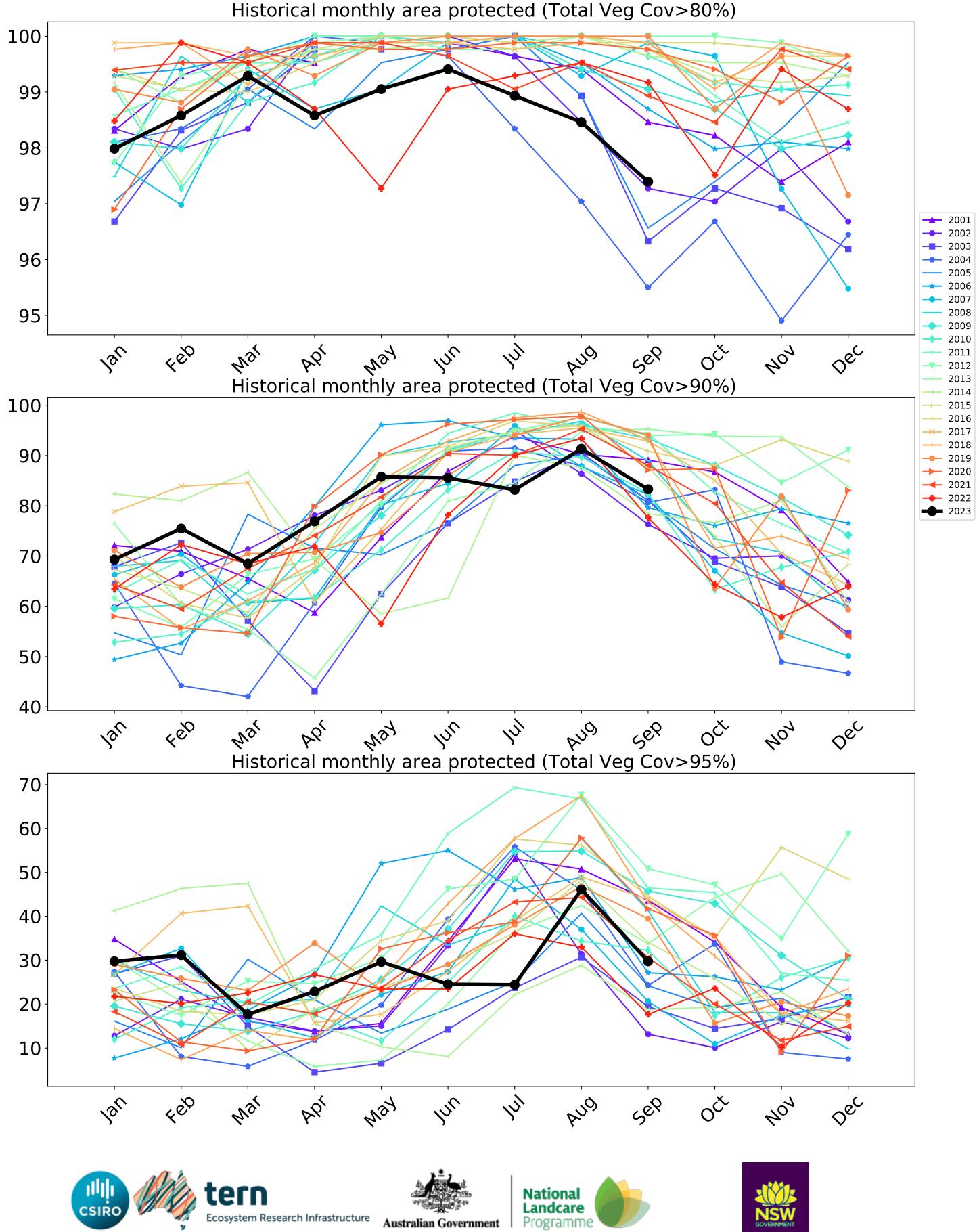
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

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

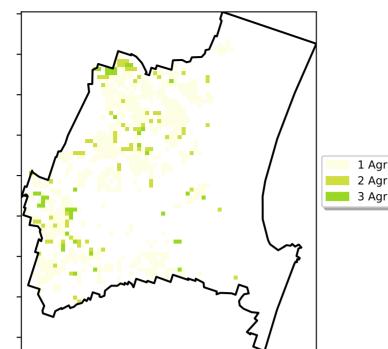






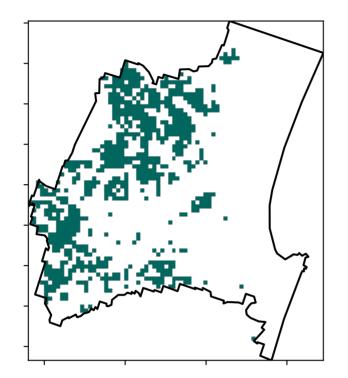
#### Grazing

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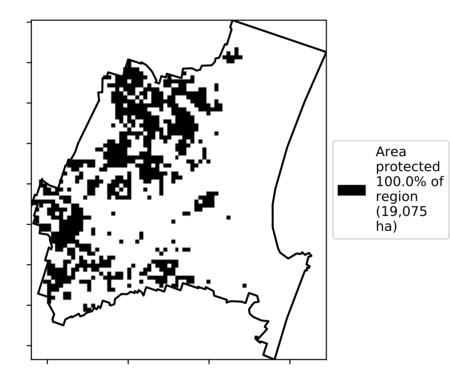


Land use and forest cover

Total Vegetation Cover [%]







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

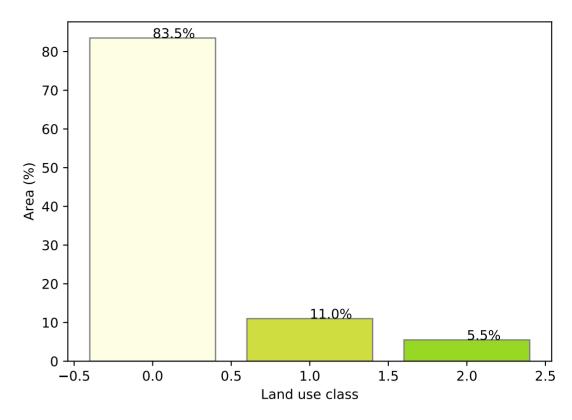
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· 52% 70%

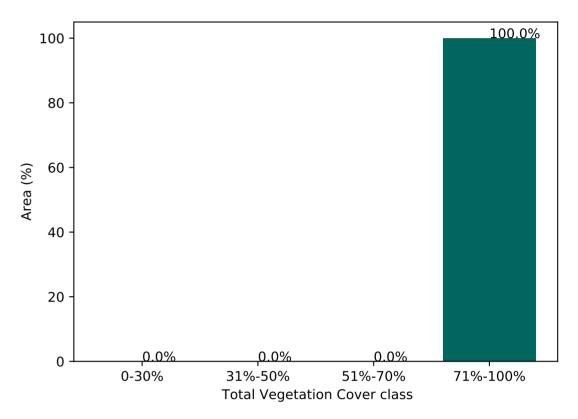
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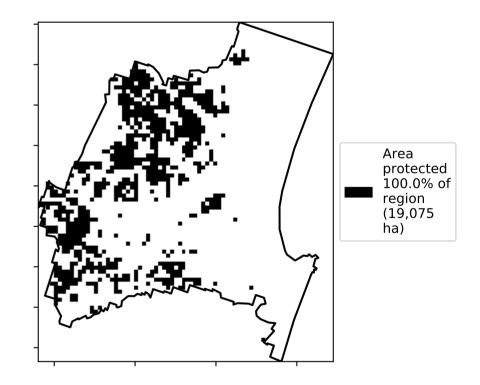
#### Proportion of each land class in area



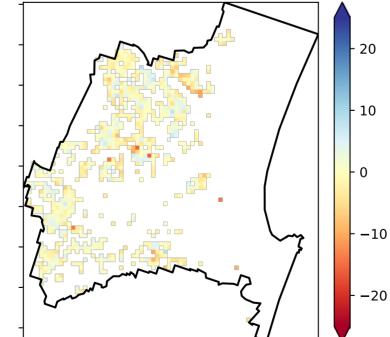
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

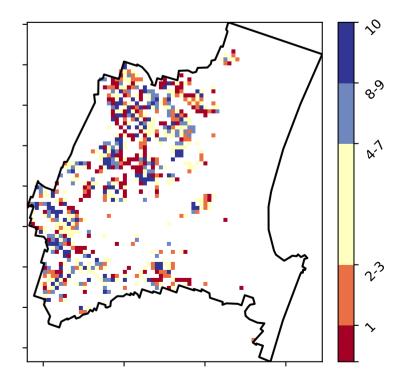


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 







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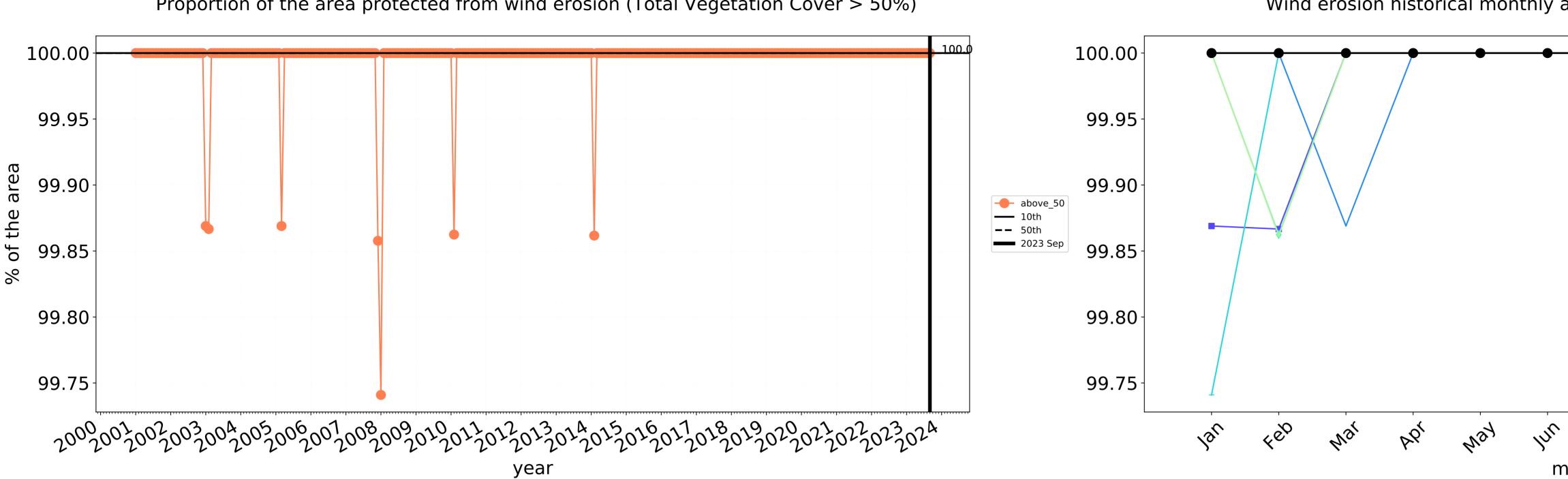
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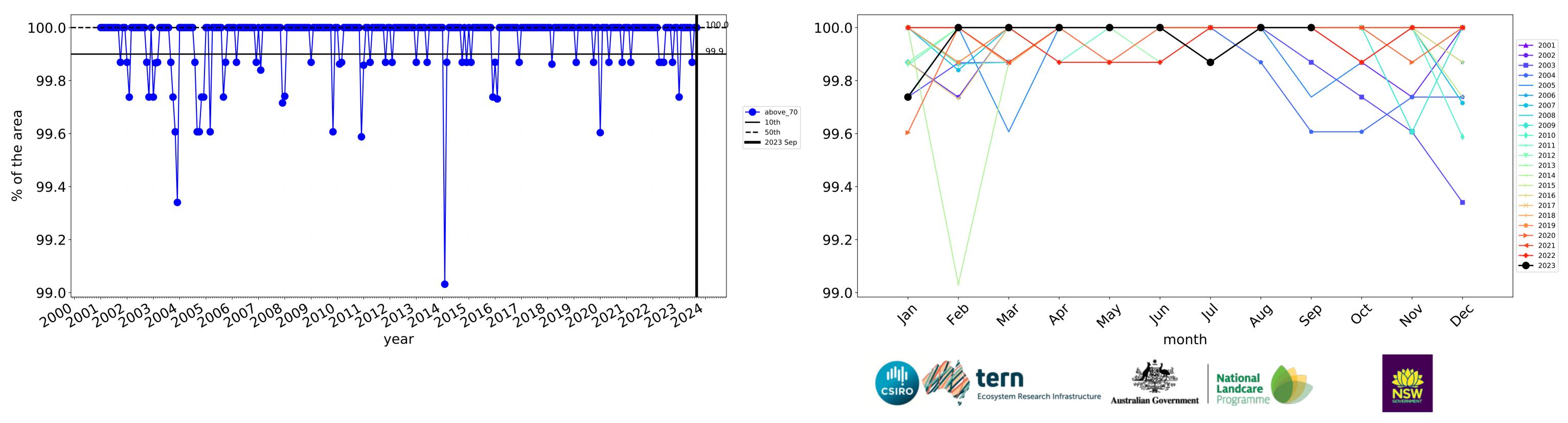
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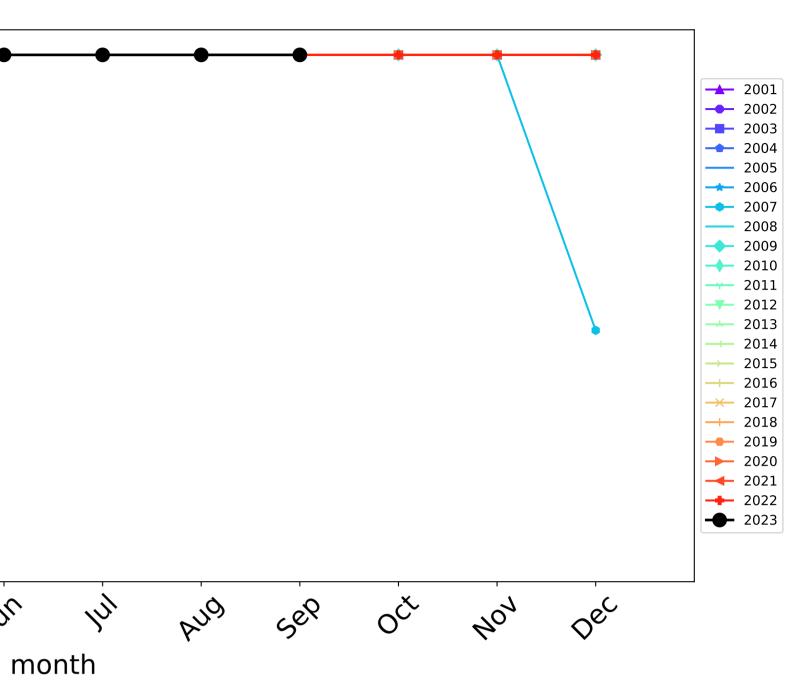
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

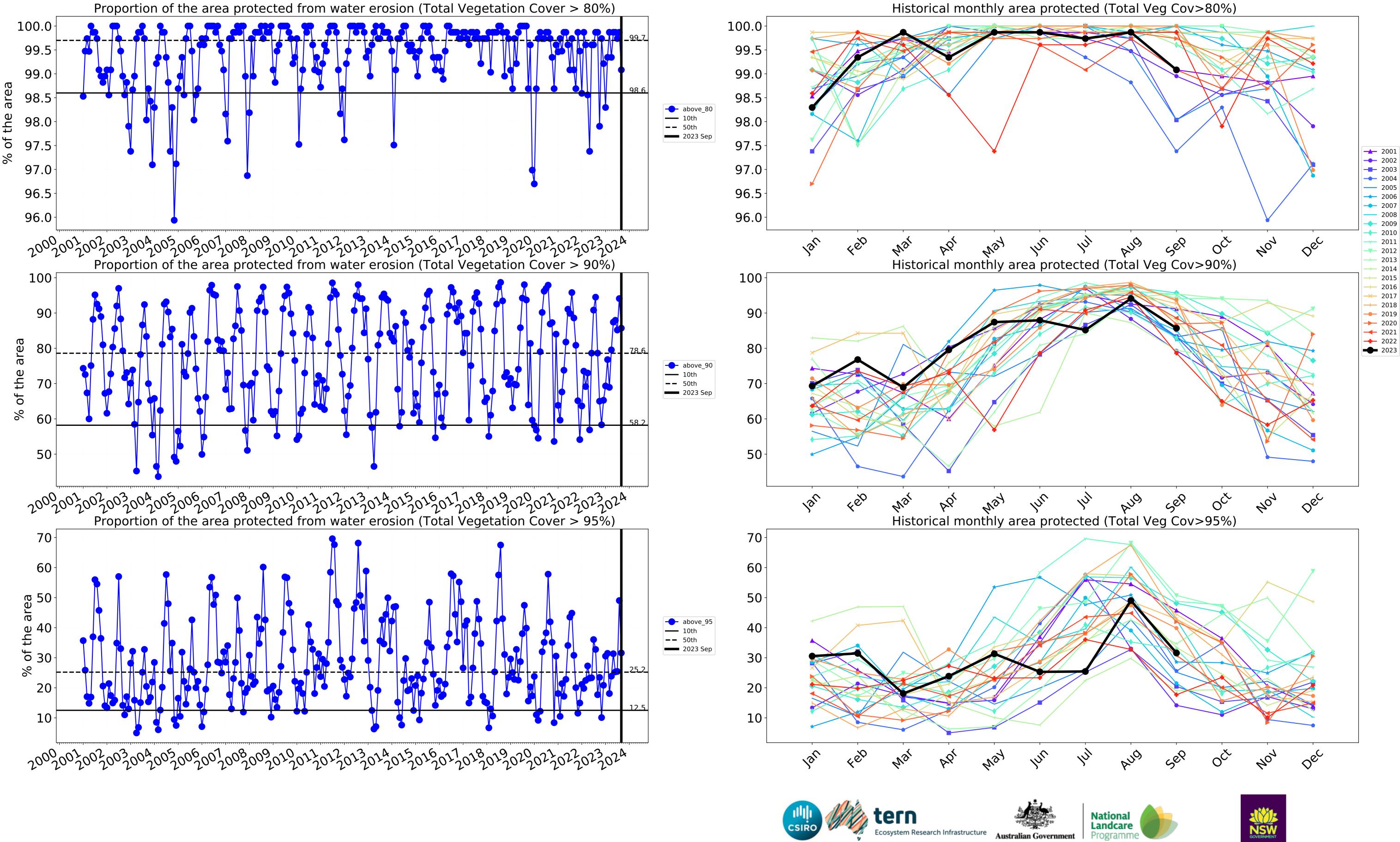
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

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





### **Grazing non forest**

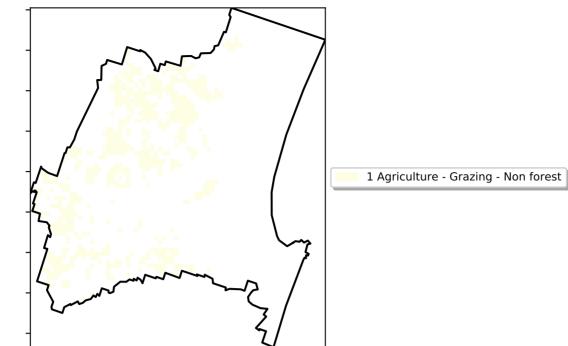
12%-100

52% 70%

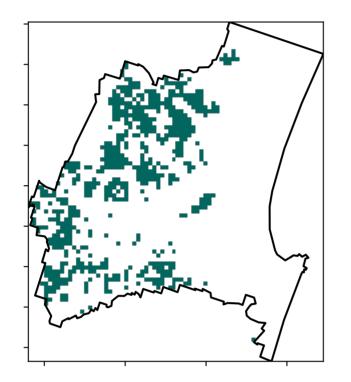
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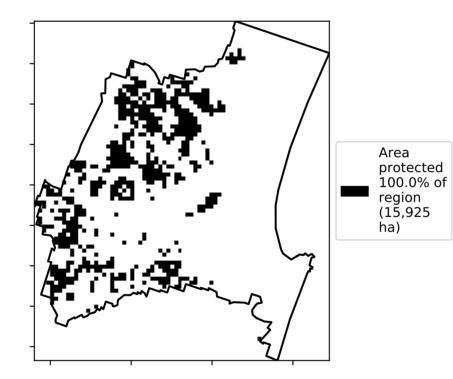
Land use and forest cover



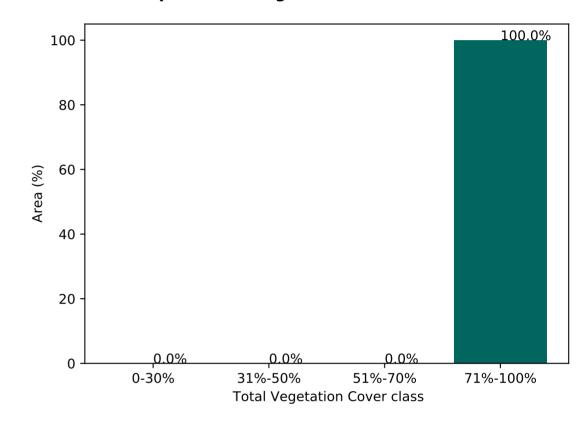
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



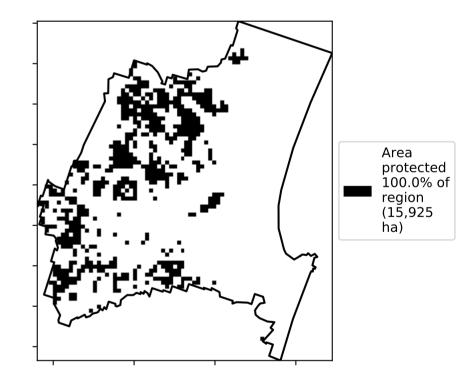




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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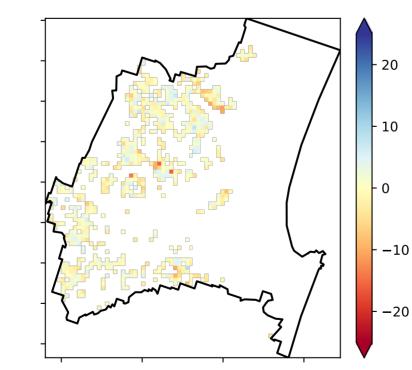
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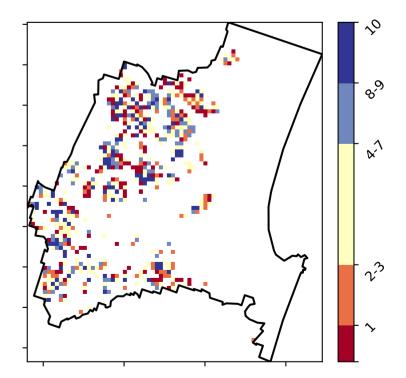
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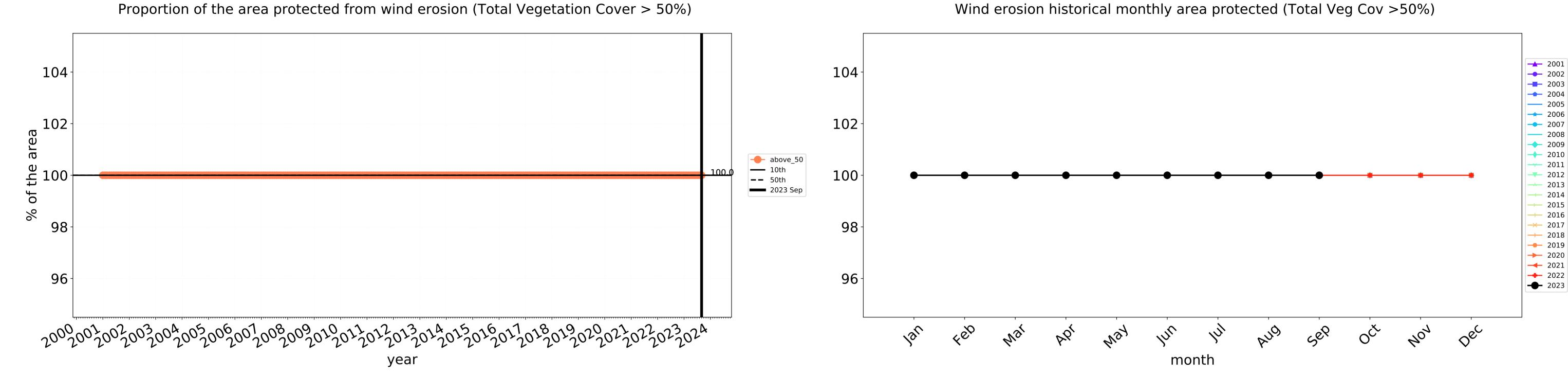
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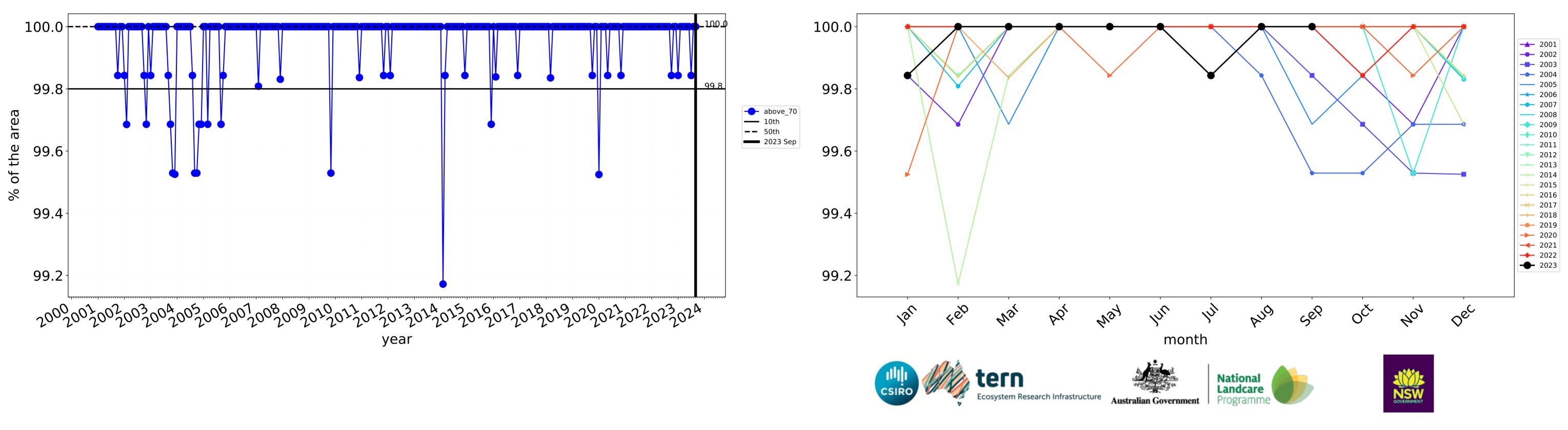






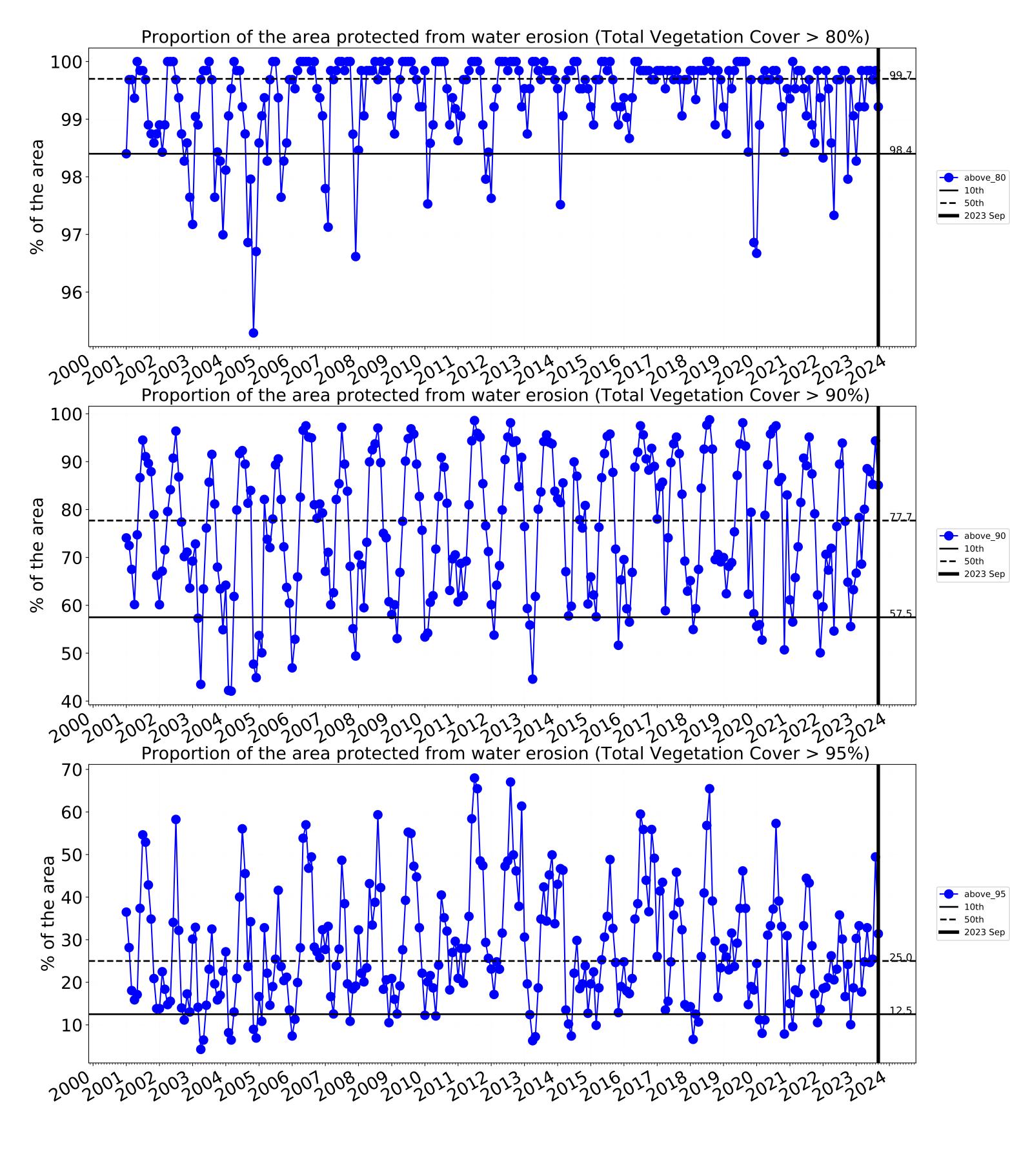


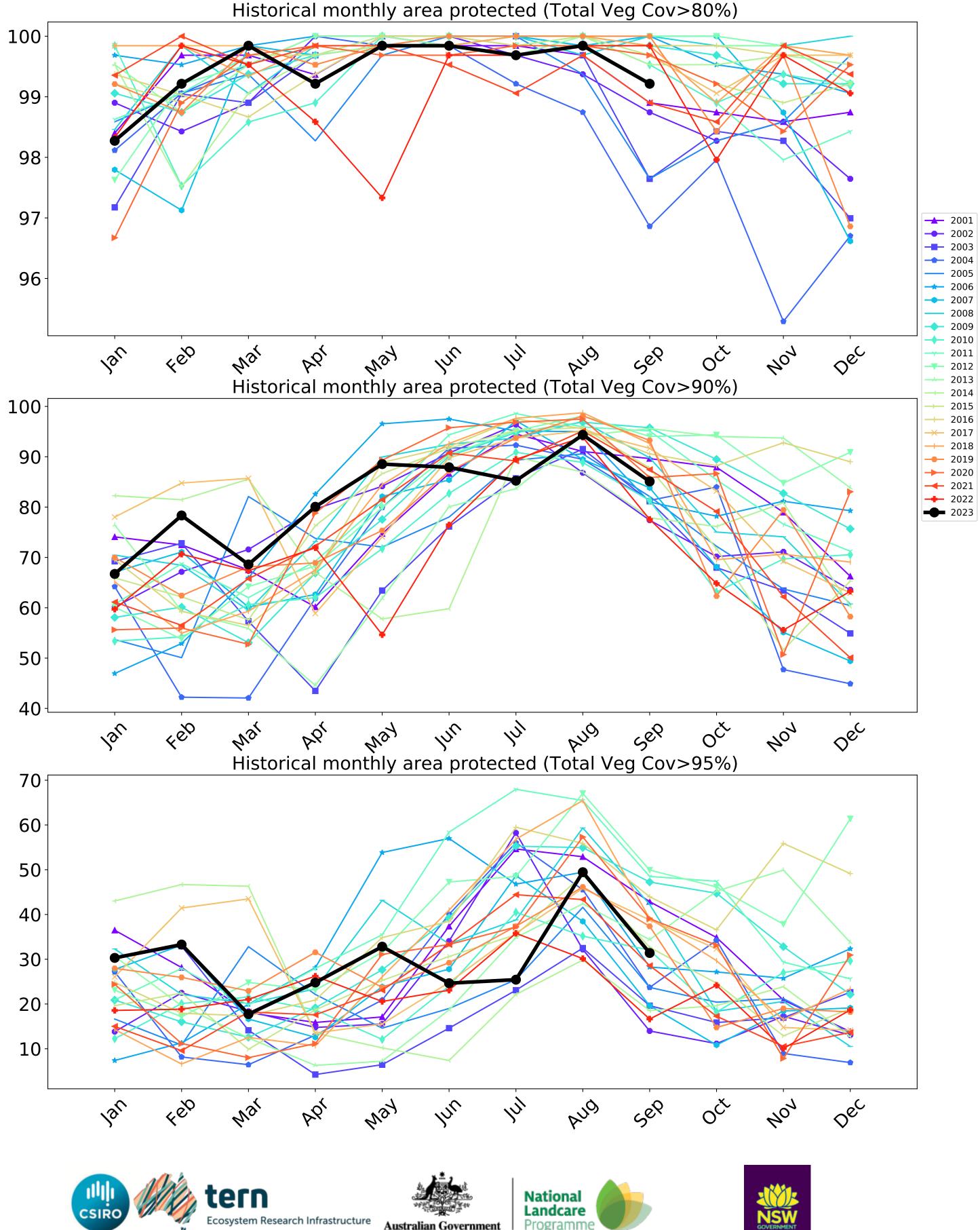


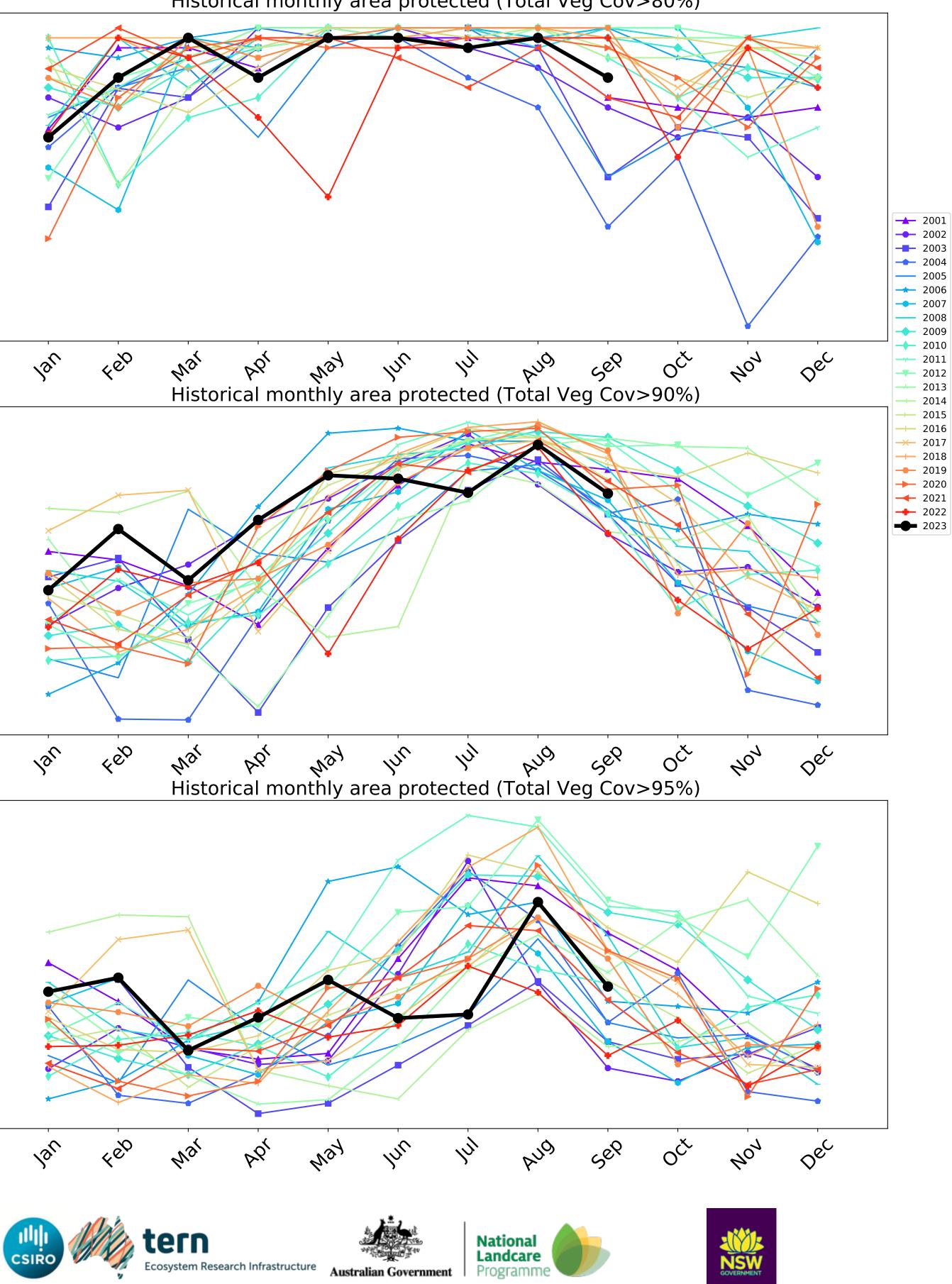


### Grazing non forest timeseries

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

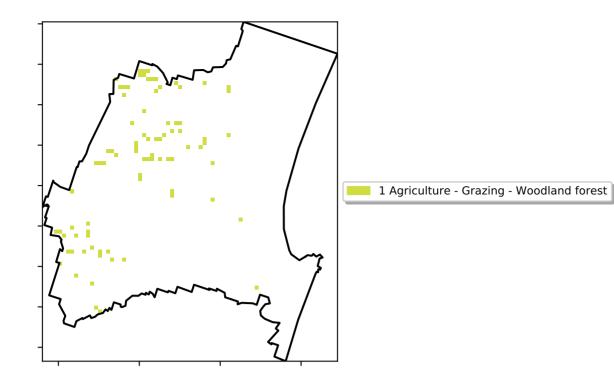




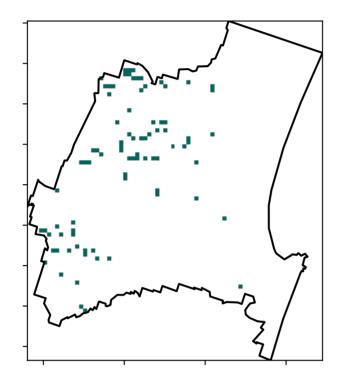


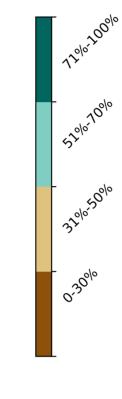
### **Grazing Woodland forest**

Land use and forest cover

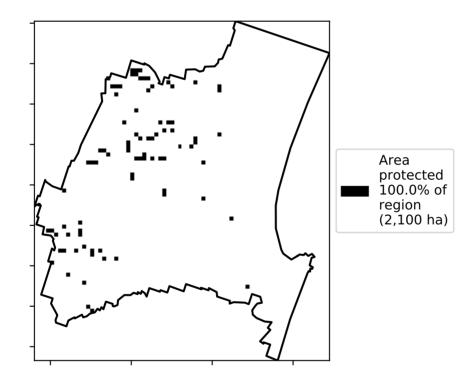


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

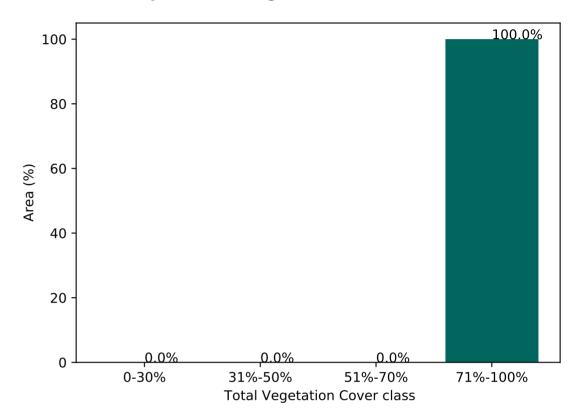




% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



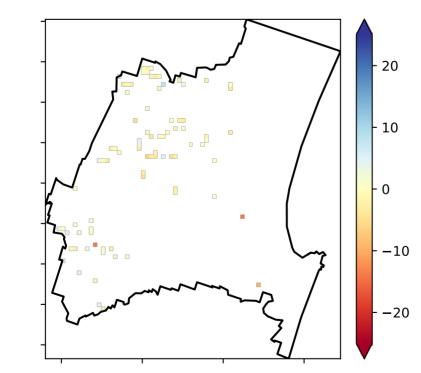
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



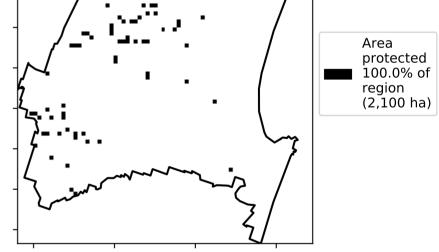
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



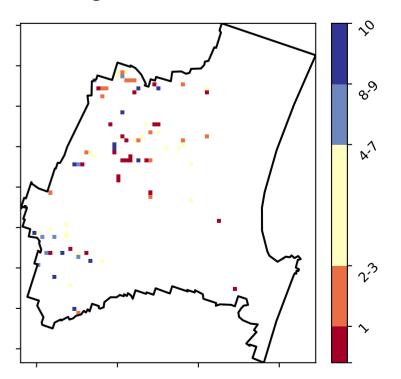
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





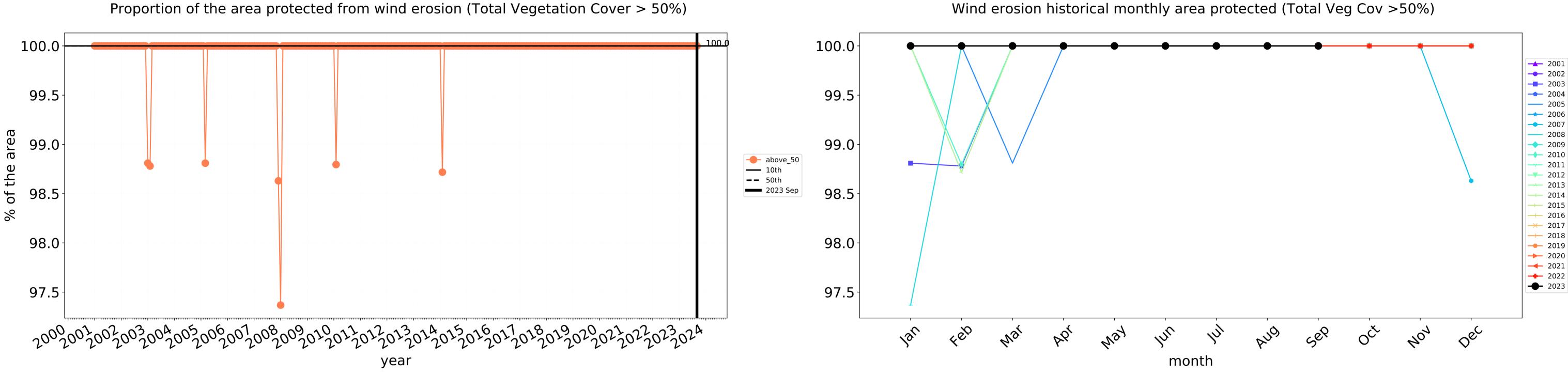
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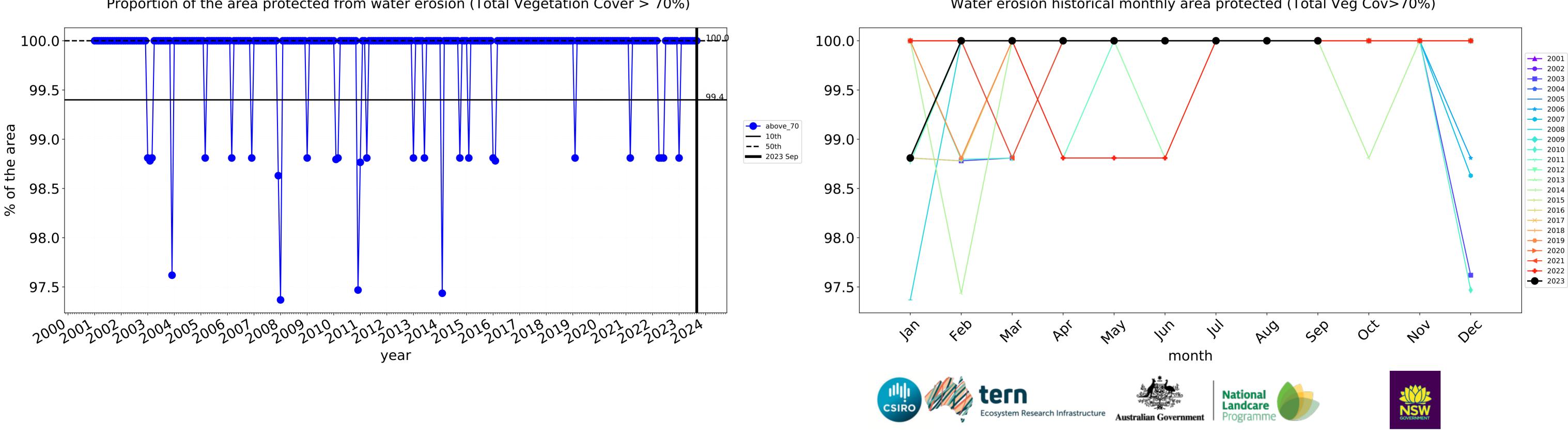
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Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

Derived from

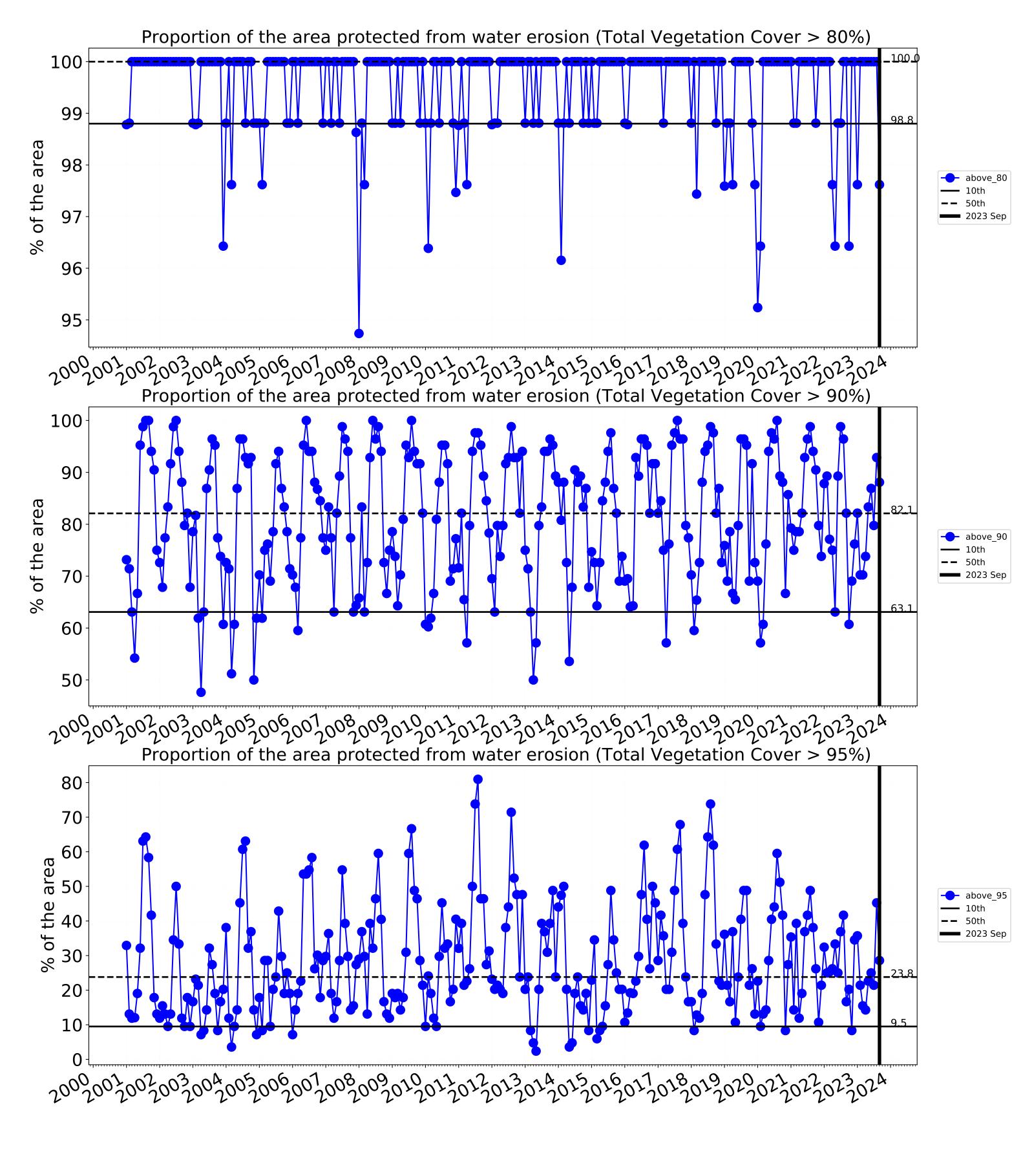
## **Grazing Woodland forest timeseries**



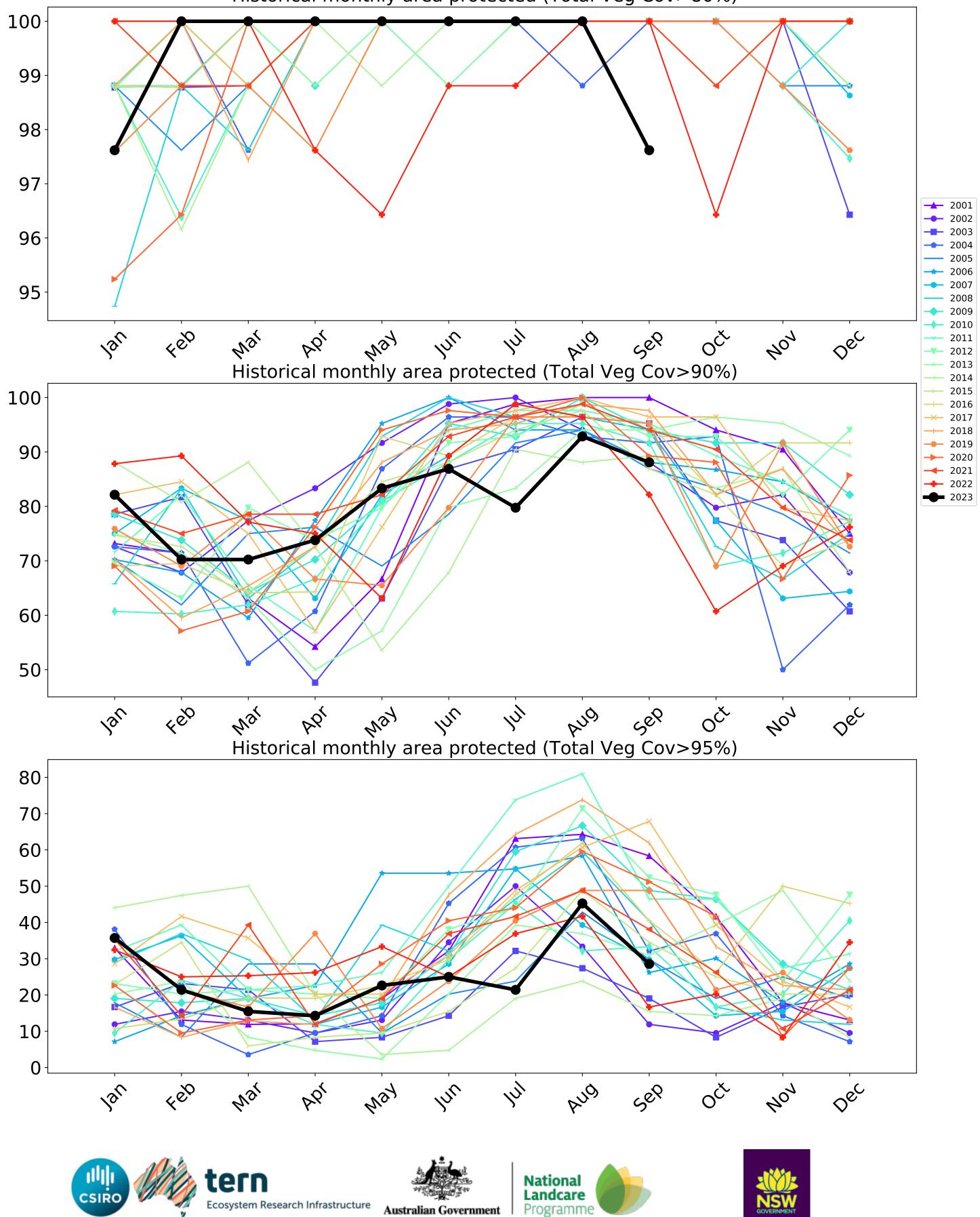


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

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



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





### **Grazing - Forest (non woodland)**

12%-100

52%70%

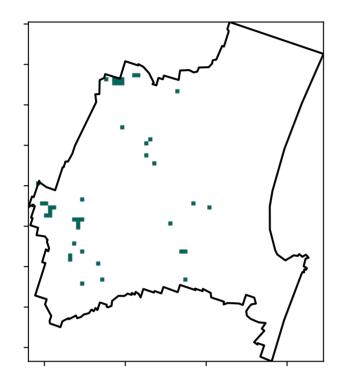
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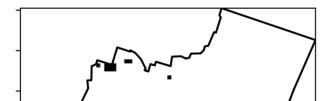
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**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

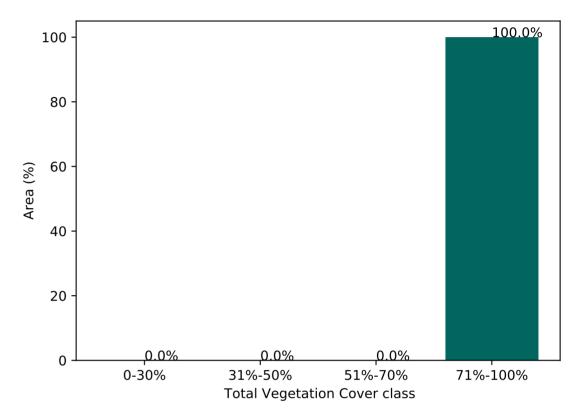
Land use and forest cover



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

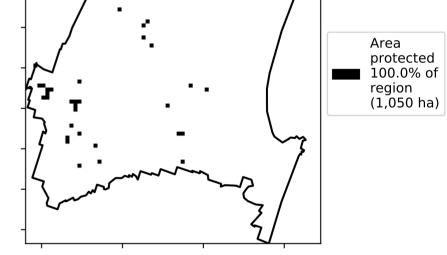


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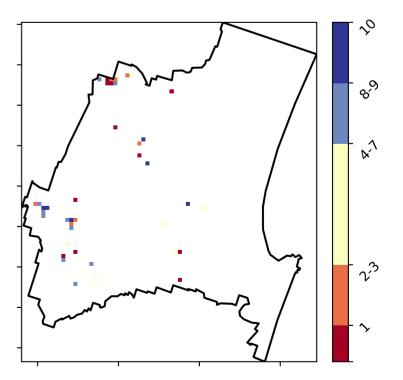


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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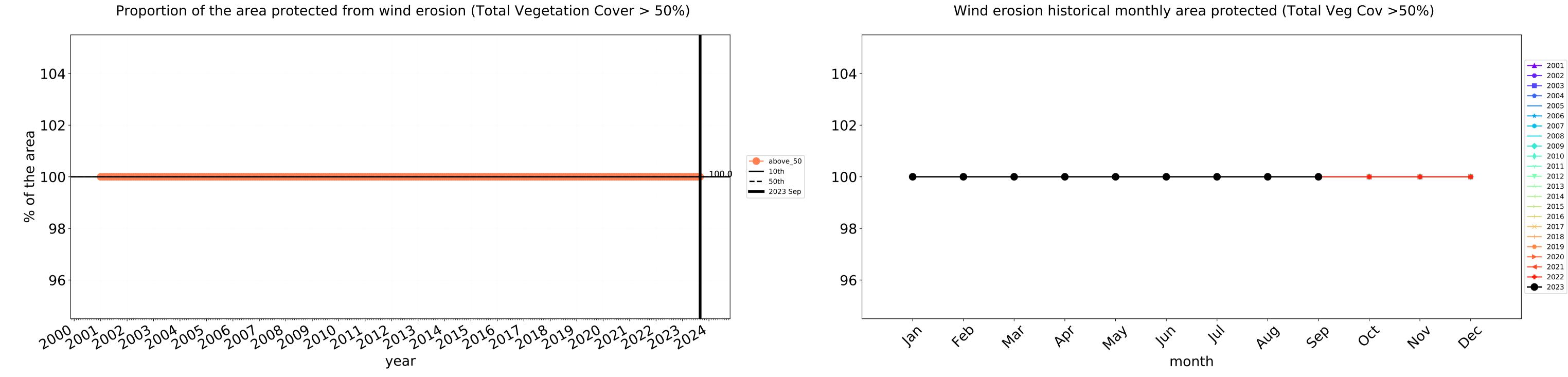


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

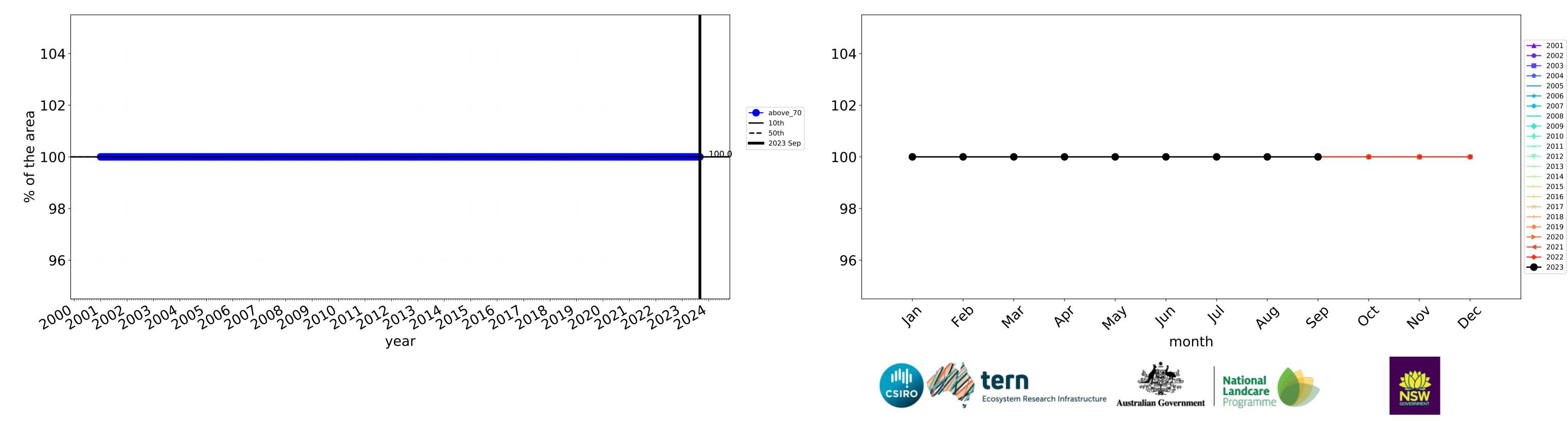




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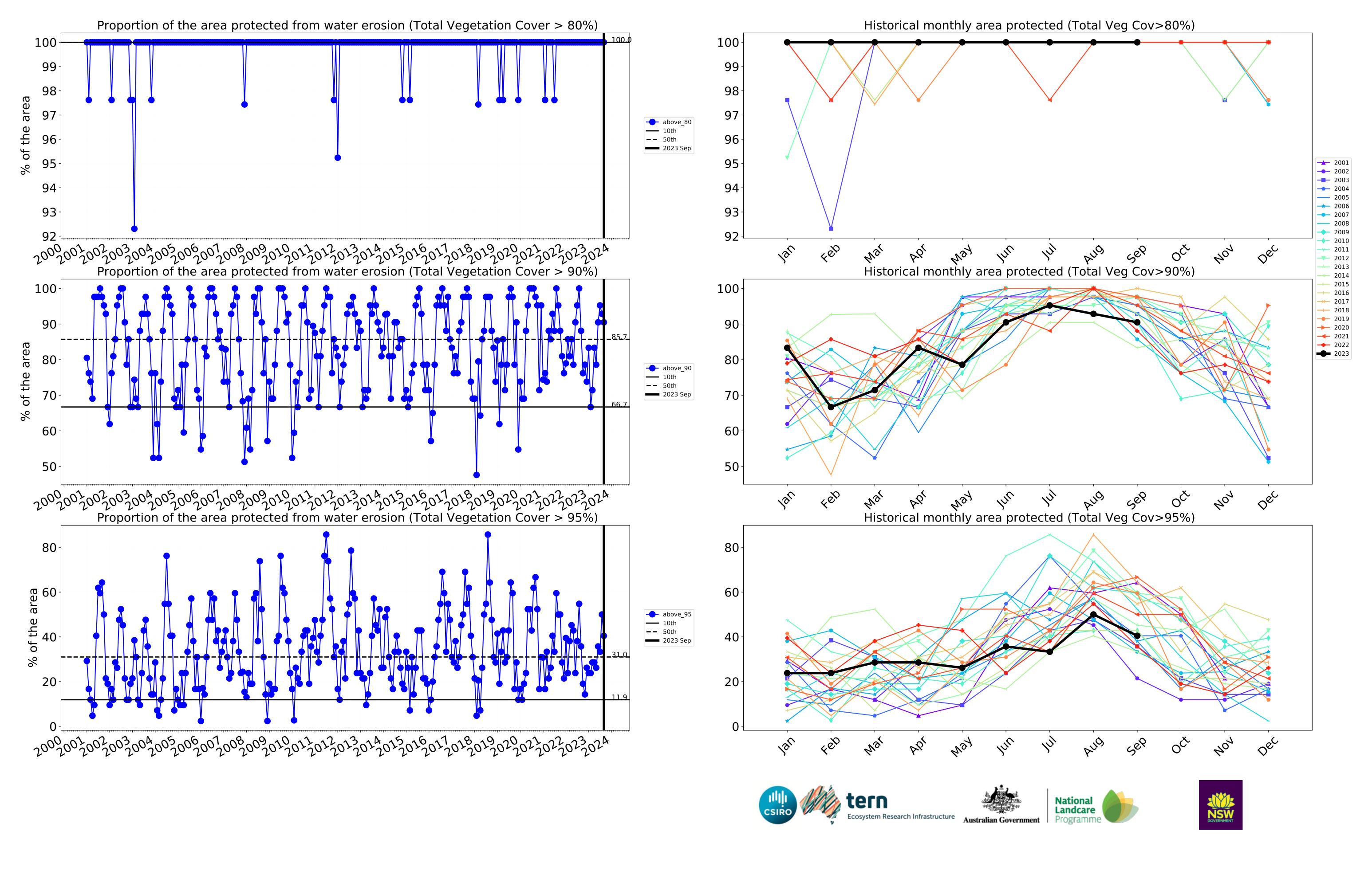


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



### Grazing - Forest (non woodland) timeseries

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



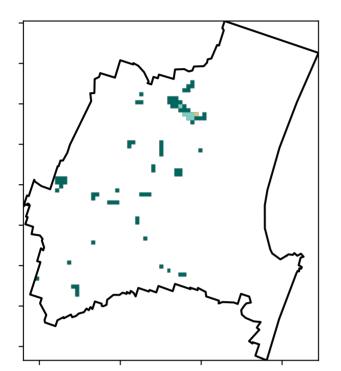
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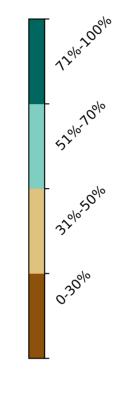
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Land use and forest cover

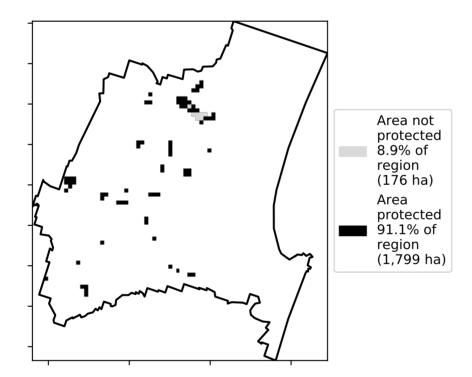


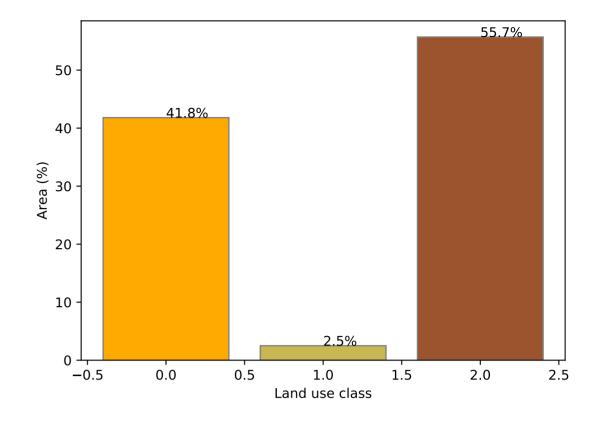
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 





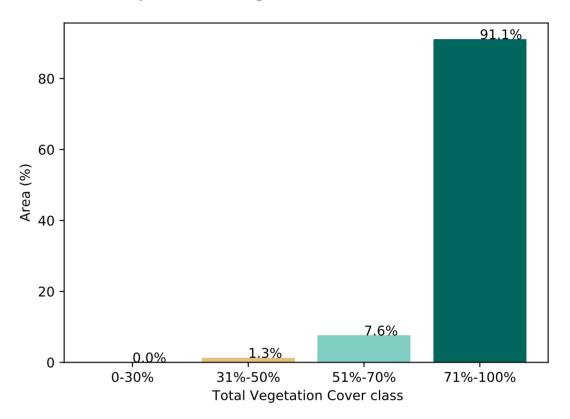
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



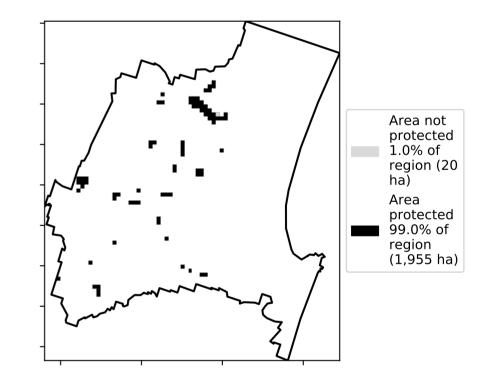


#### Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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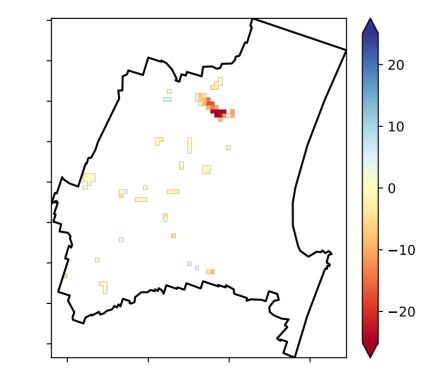
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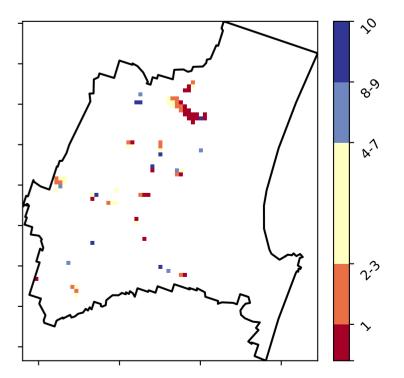
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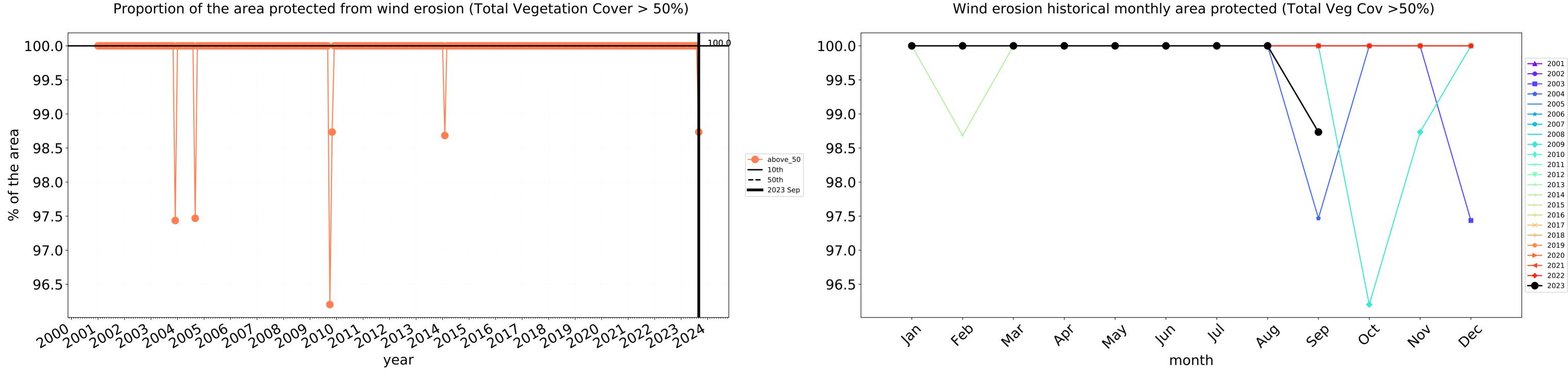


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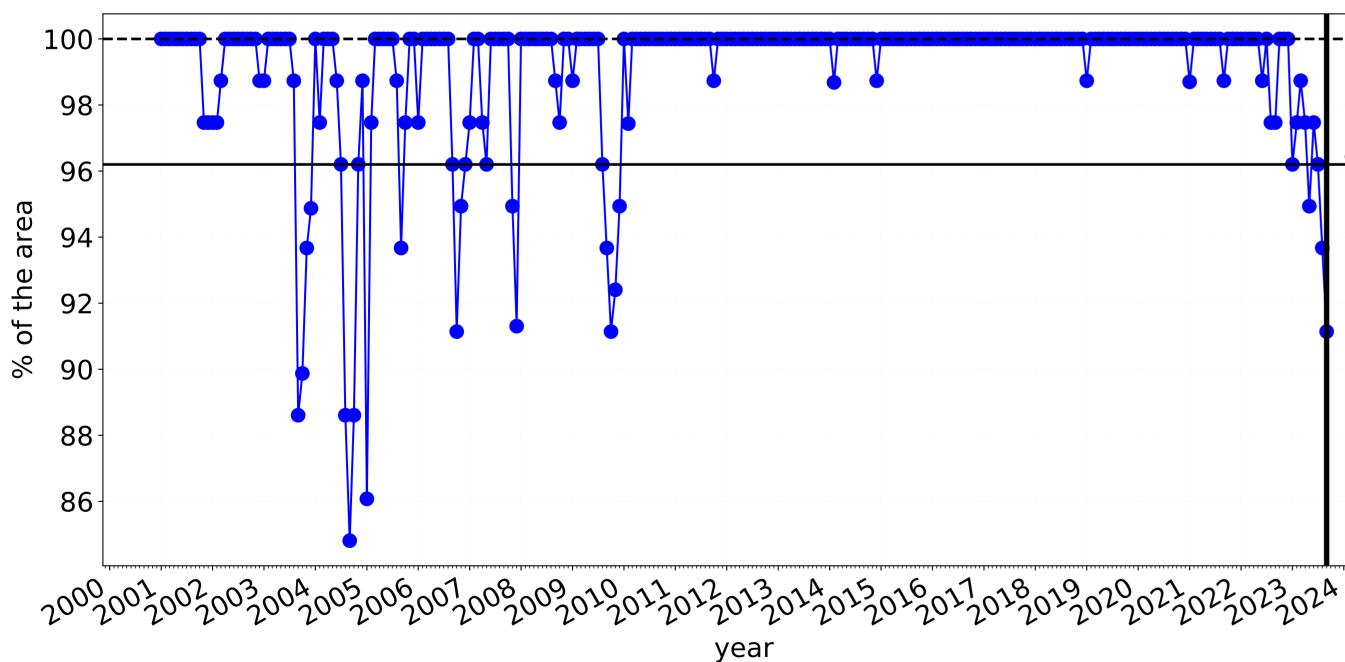
**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





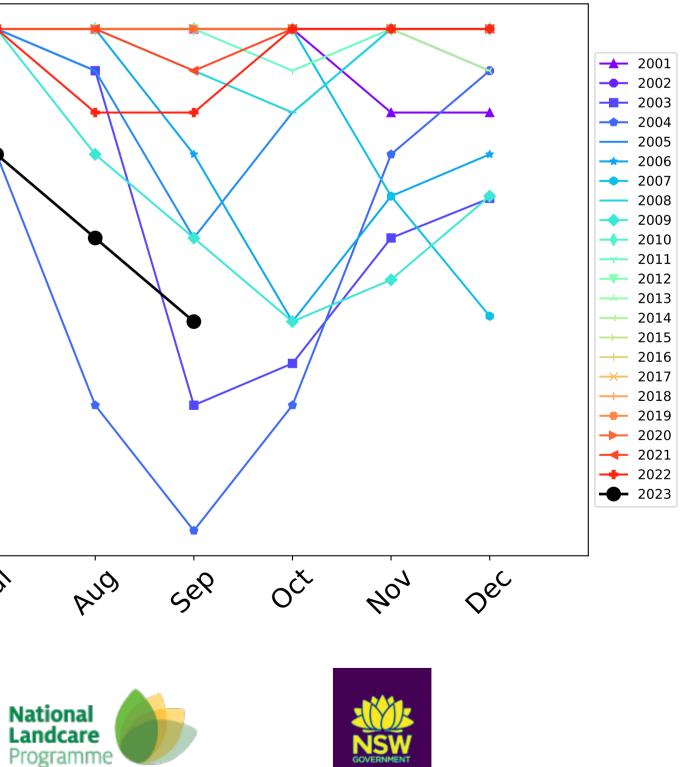


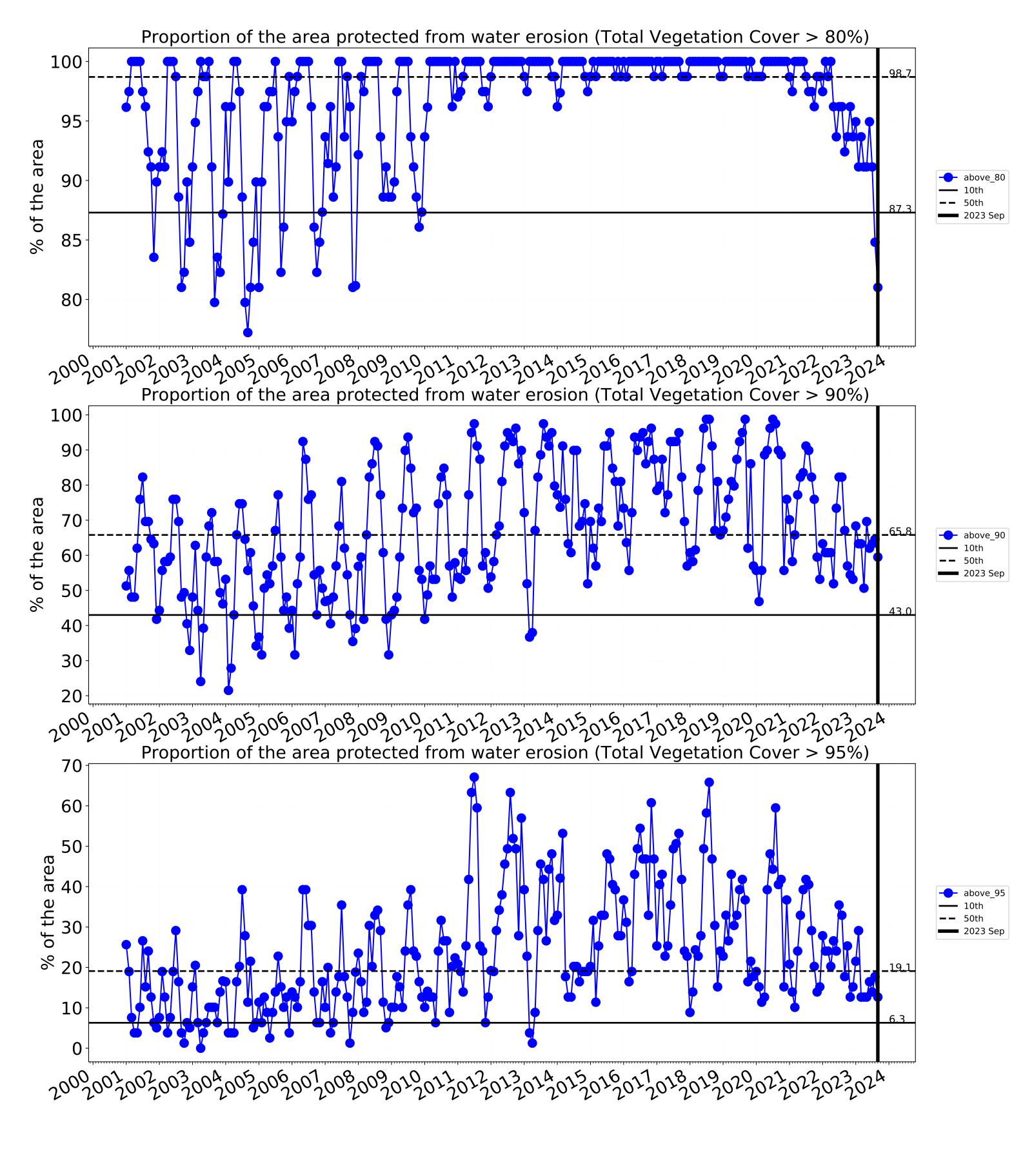


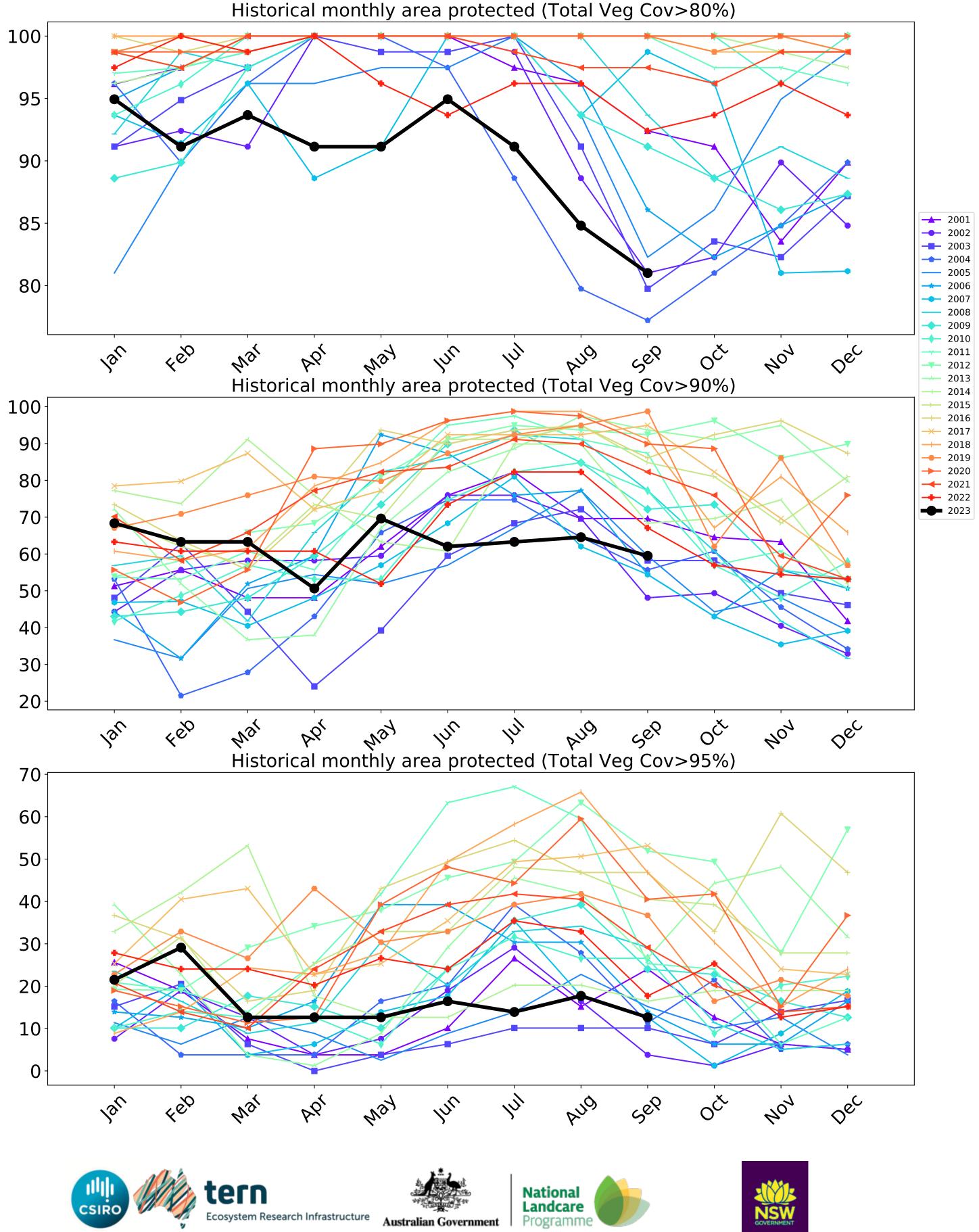


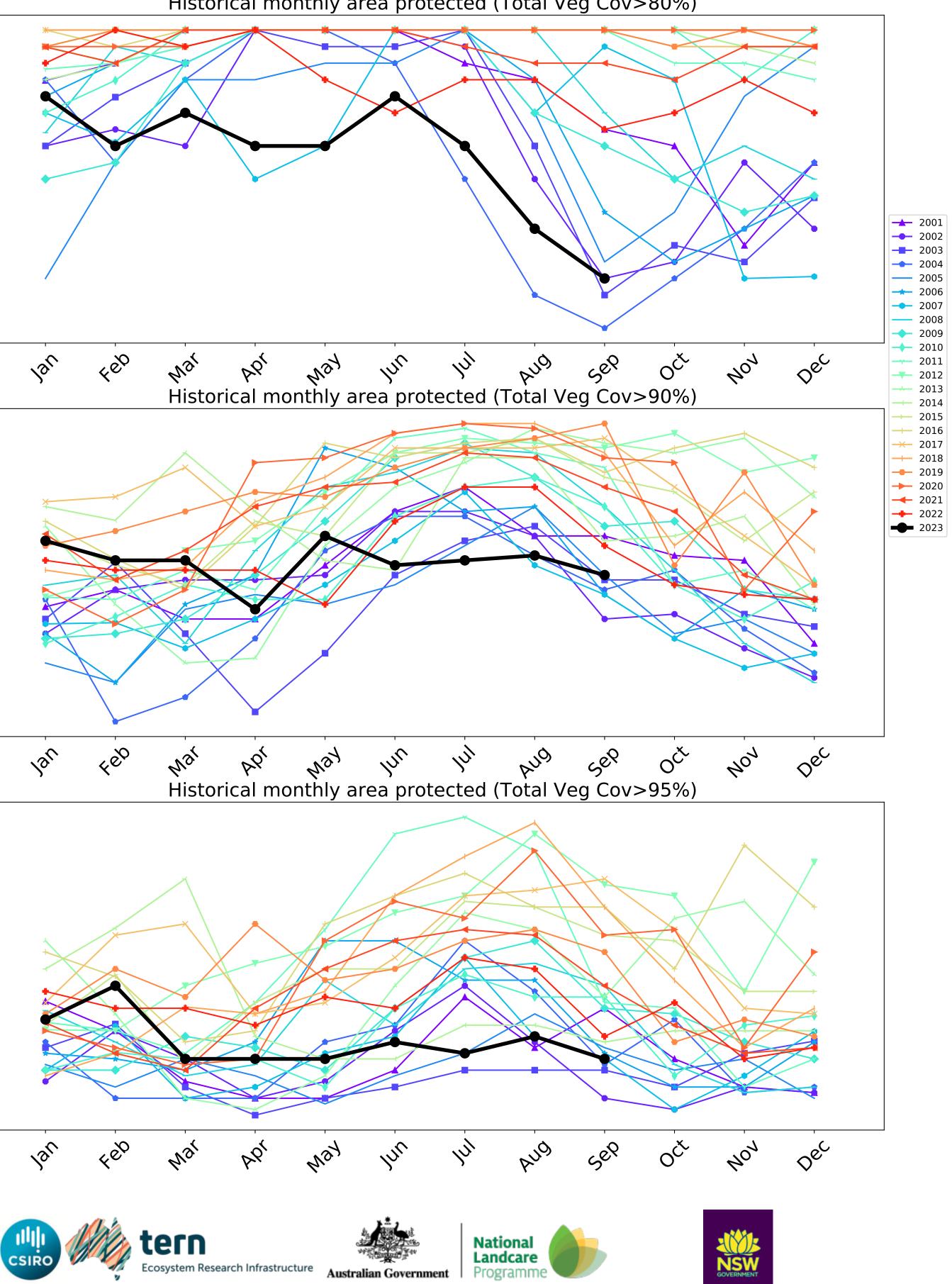
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)









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

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

1 Production native forests and plantation forests

12%-100

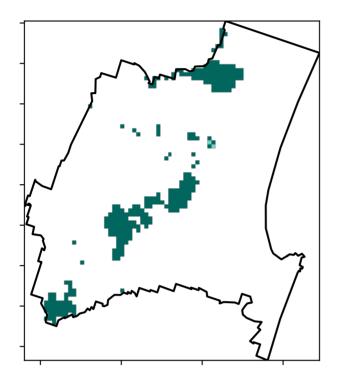
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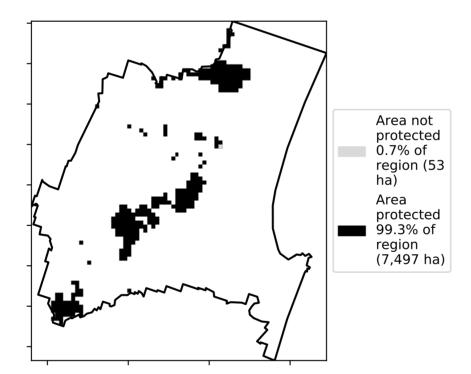
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**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

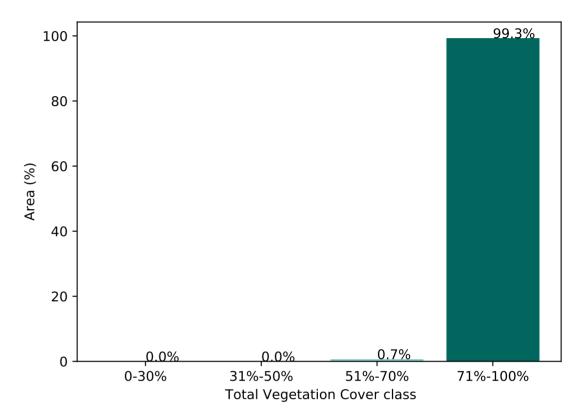
Land use and forest cover



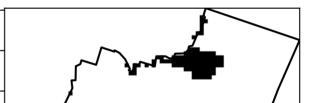








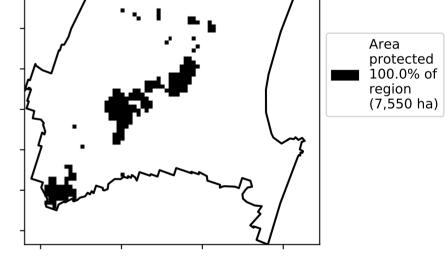
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



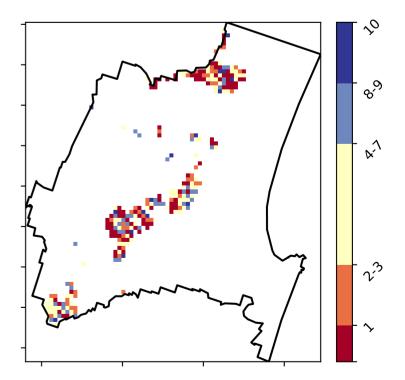
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

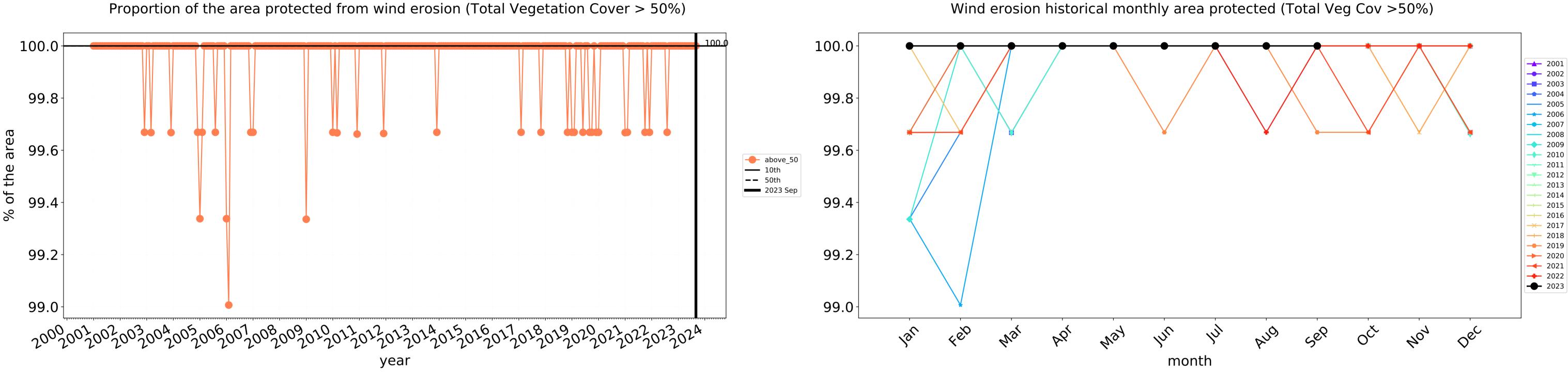




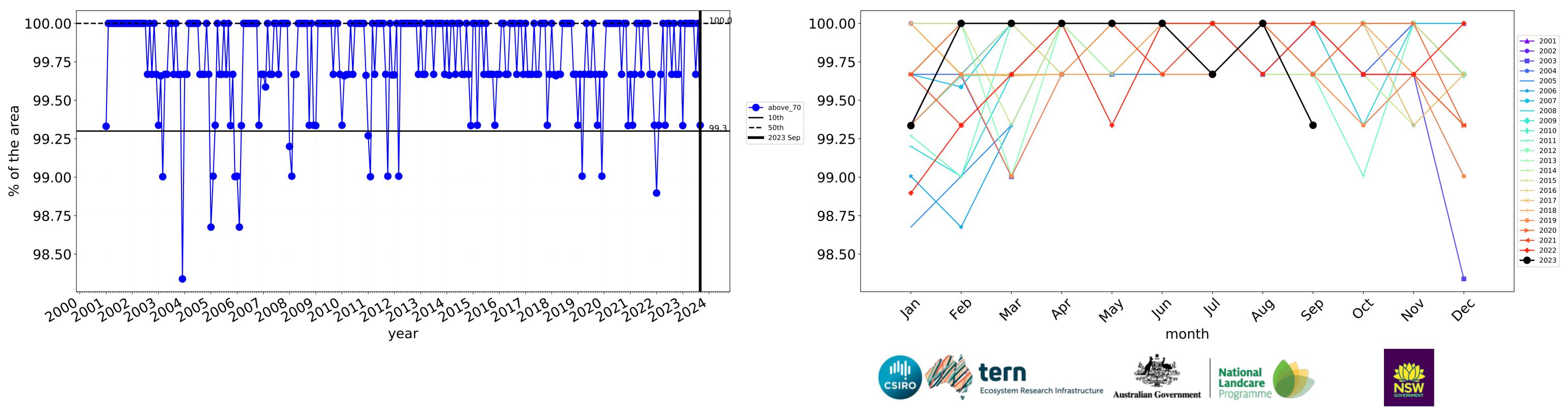




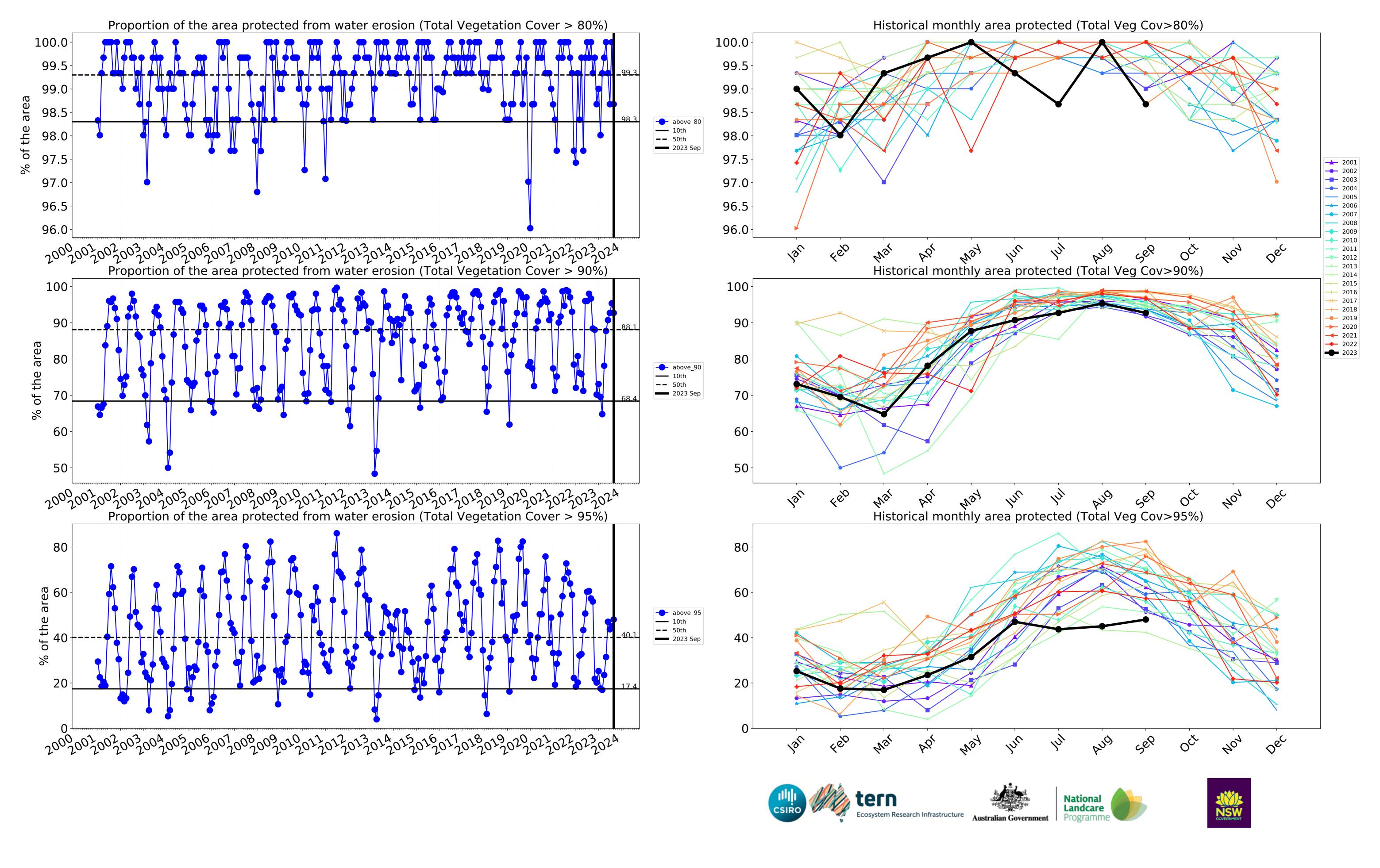
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



# Noosa\_(S) (81,425 ha and no data 5,577 ha) Percentage area and hectares protected with TVC threshold 30,50,70,80,90 and 95%

| Land use and<br>forest cover<br>Class  | area(ha) | above_30         | above_50         | above_70         | above_80        | above_90        | above_95        |
|--|----------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Entire region  | 81,425   | 99.9%<br>81,350  | 99.5%<br>81,000  | 97.0%<br>79,000  | 92.9%<br>75,625 | 76.7%<br>62,450 | 32.4%<br>26,350 |
| Conservation and<br>natural<br>environments  | 29,100   | 99.9%<br>29,075  | 99.6%<br>28,975  | 97.9%<br>28,500  | 95.4%<br>27,750 | 82.8%<br>24,100 | 41.9%<br>12,200 |
| Conservation and<br>natural<br>environments non<br>forest                          | 3,350    | 99.3%<br>3,325   | 97.8%<br>3,275   | 93.3%<br>3,125   | 85.8%<br>2,875  | 75.4%<br>2,525  | 28.4%<br>950    |
| Conservation and<br>natural<br>environments<br>Woodland forest<br>Conservation and | 2,600    | 100.0%<br>2,600  | 100.0%<br>2,600  | 98.1%<br>2,550   | 97.1%<br>2,525  | 76.9%<br>2,000  | 21.2%<br>550    |
| natural<br>environments<br>Forest (non<br>woodland)                                | 23,150   | 100.0%<br>23,150 | 99.8%<br>23,100  | 98.6%<br>22,825  | 96.5%<br>22,350 | 84.6%<br>19,575 | 46.2%<br>10,700 |
| Agriculture  | 21,100   | 100.0%<br>21,100 | 99.9%<br>21,075  | 99.2%<br>20,925  | 97.4%<br>20,550 | 83.3%<br>17,575 | 29.7%<br>6,275  |
| Grazing  | 19,075   | 100.0%<br>19,075 | 100.0%<br>19,075 | 100.0%<br>19,075 | 99.1%<br>18,900 | 85.7%<br>16,350 | 31.6%<br>6,025  |
| Grazing non<br>forest  | 15,925   | 100.0%<br>15,925 | 100.0%<br>15,925 | 100.0%<br>15,925 | 99.2%<br>15,800 | 85.1%<br>13,550 | 31.4%<br>5,000  |
| Grazing Woodland<br>forest   | 2,100    | 100.0%<br>2,100  | 100.0%<br>2,100  | 100.0%<br>2,100  | 97.6%<br>2,050  | 88.1%<br>1,850  | 28.6%<br>600    |
| Grazing - Forest<br>(non woodland)   | 1,050    | 100.0%<br>1,050  | 100.0%<br>1,050  | 100.0%<br>1,050  | 100.0%<br>1,050 | 90.5%<br>950    | 40.5%<br>425    |
| Irrigation   | 1,975    | 100.0%<br>1,975  | 98.7%<br>1,950   | 91.1%<br>1,800   | 81.0%<br>1,600  | 59.5%<br>1,175  | 12.7%<br>250    |
| Production native<br>forests and<br>plantation<br>forests                          | 7,550    | 100.0%<br>7,550  | 100.0%<br>7,550  | 99.3%<br>7,500   | 98.7%<br>7,450  | 92.7%<br>7,000  | 48.0%<br>3,625  |

