# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Mallala\_(DC) SA

# **Date: November 2024**

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

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

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

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

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

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

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

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

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

### **Erosion protection**

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

### Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

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

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

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

### Acknowledgment of data:

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

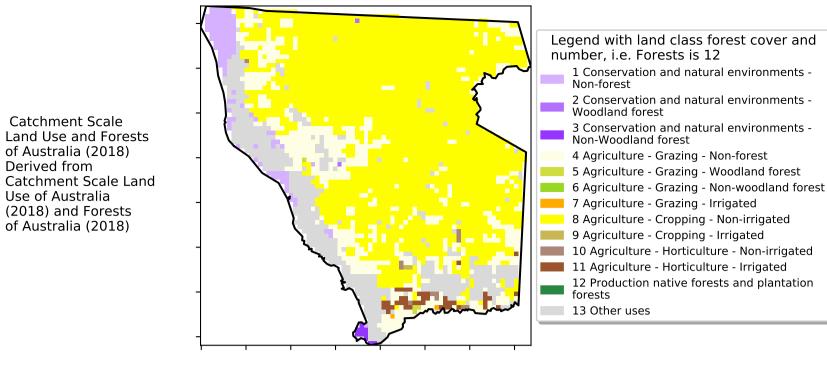
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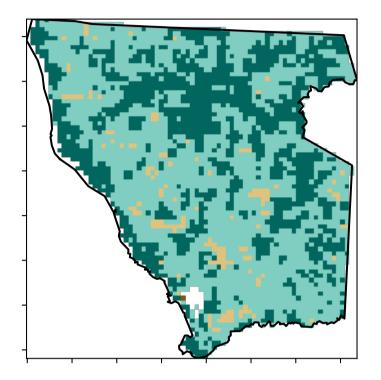
# **Vegetation Cover Nov 2024**

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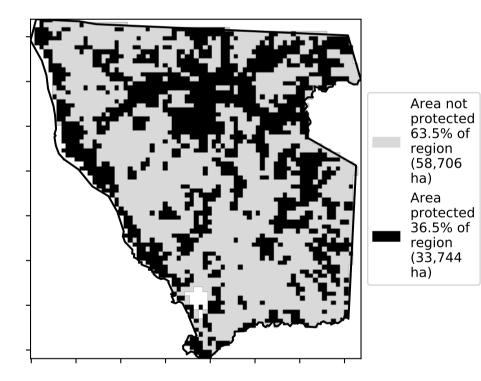
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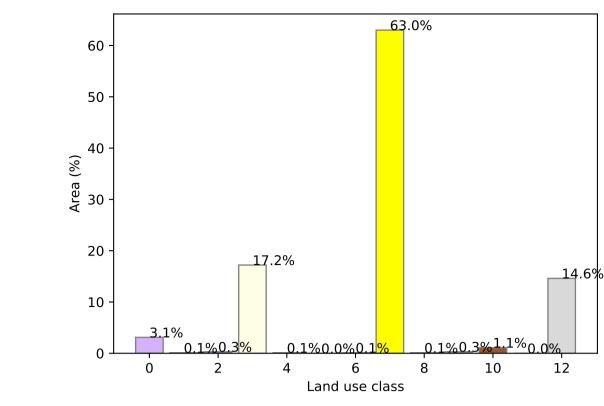


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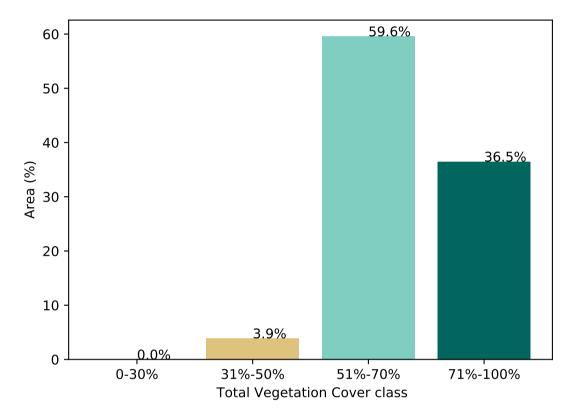


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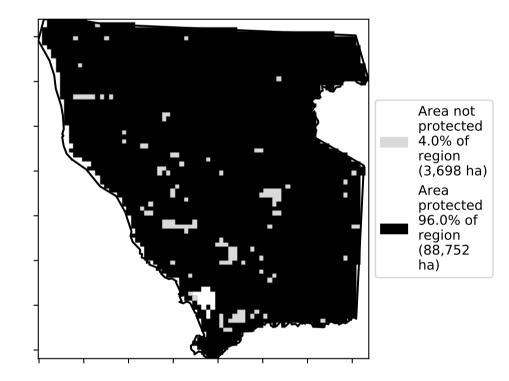




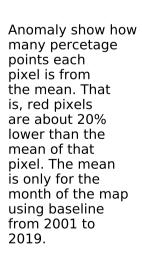
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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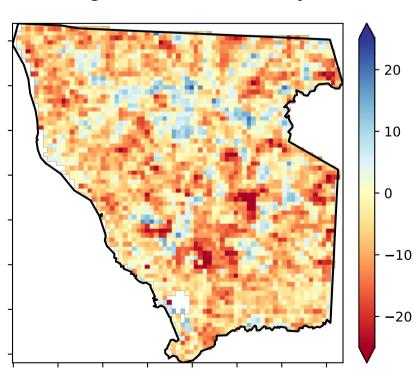
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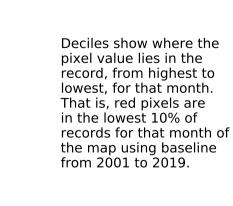
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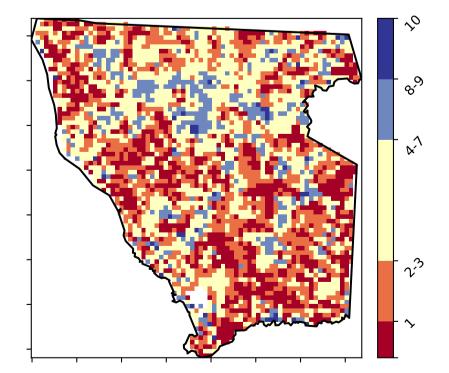
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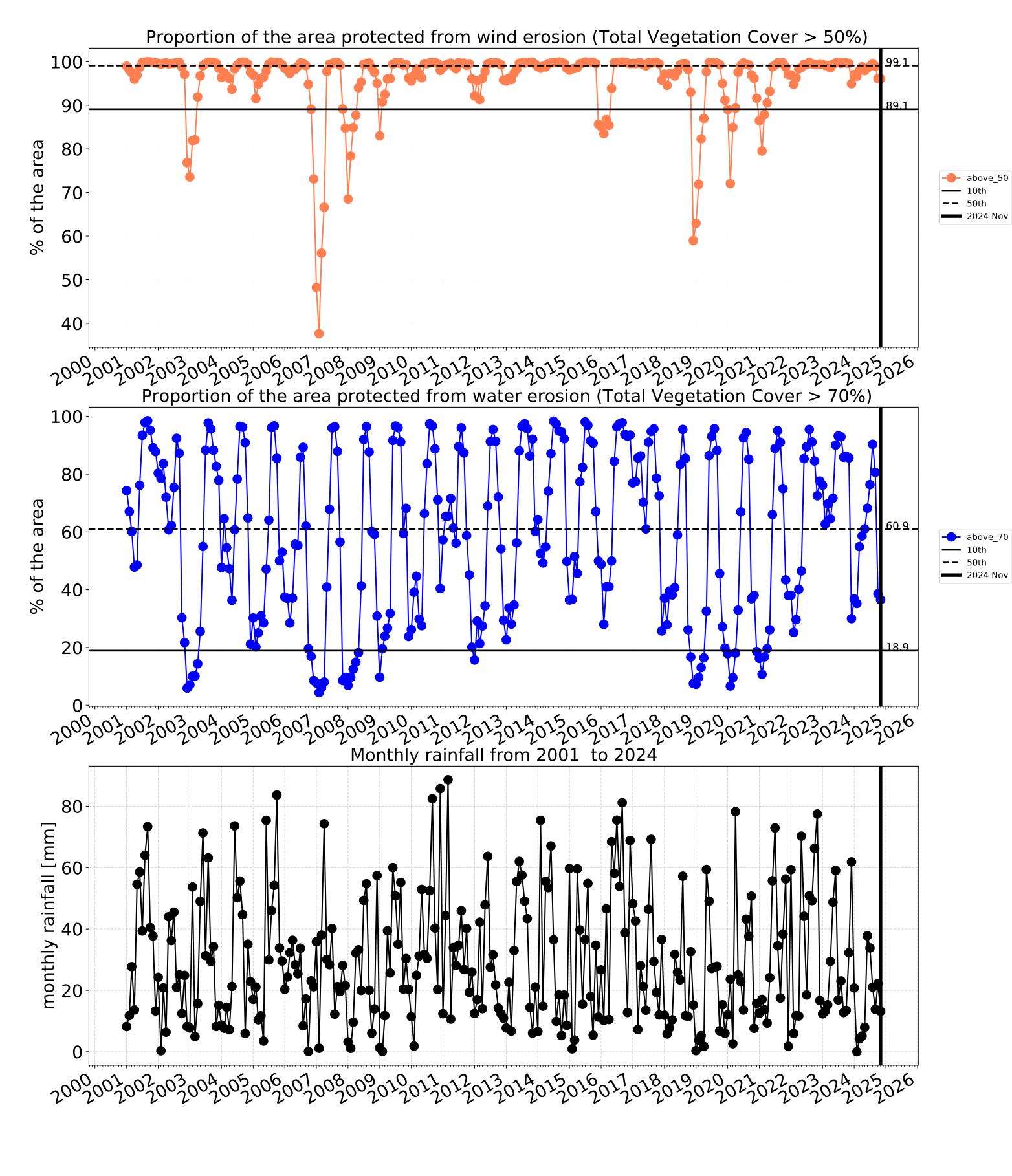
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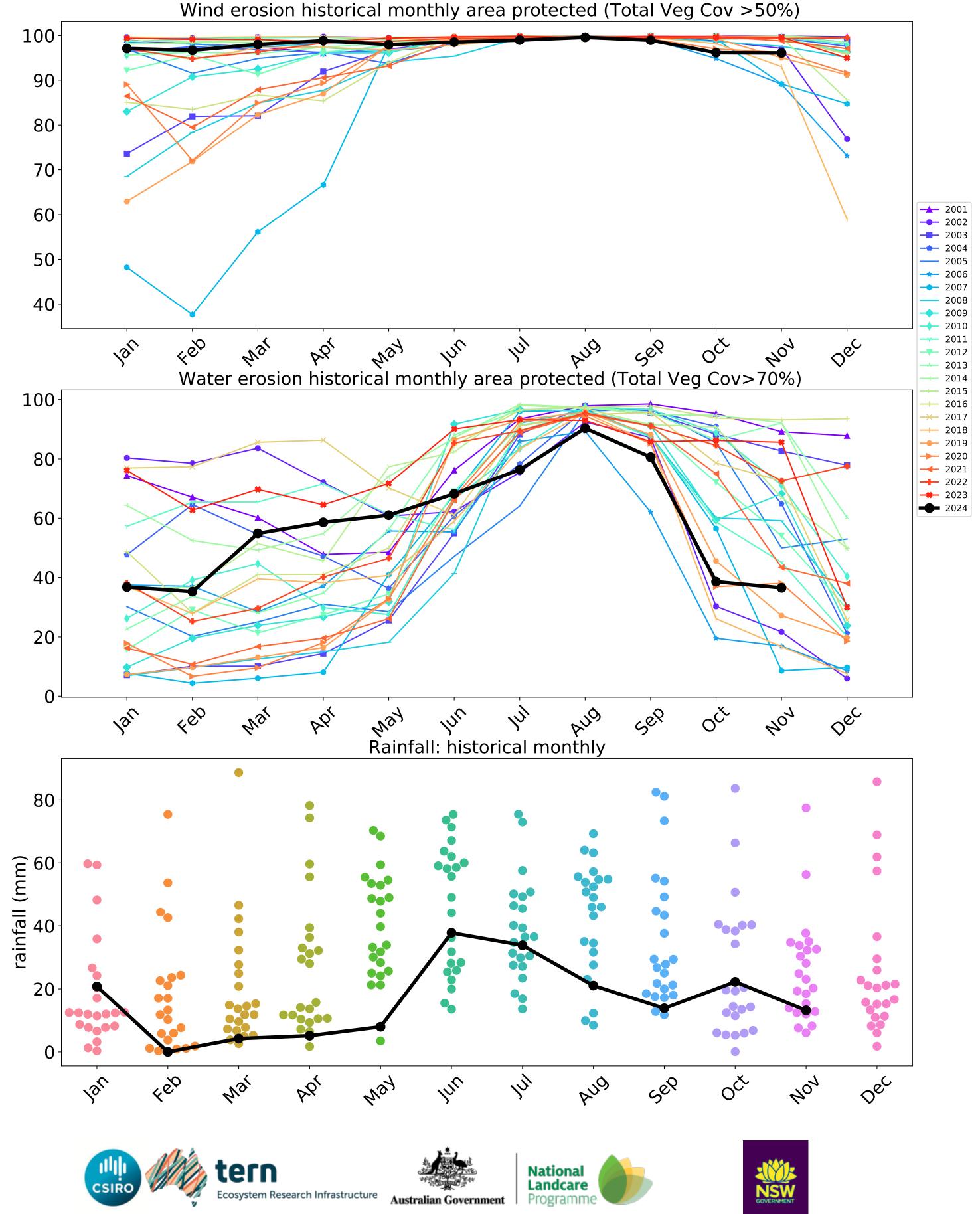
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 









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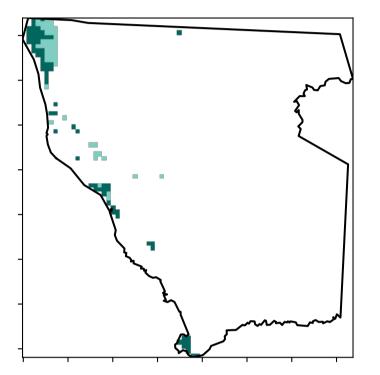
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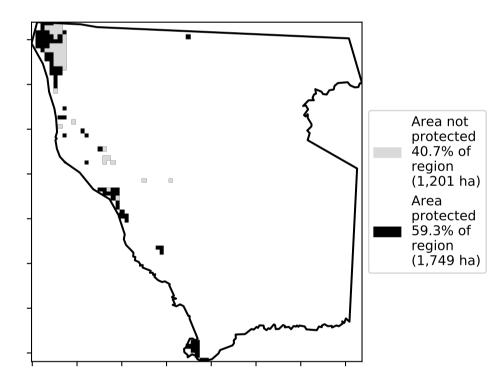
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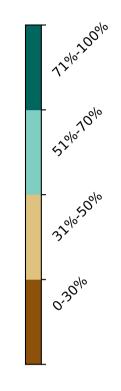
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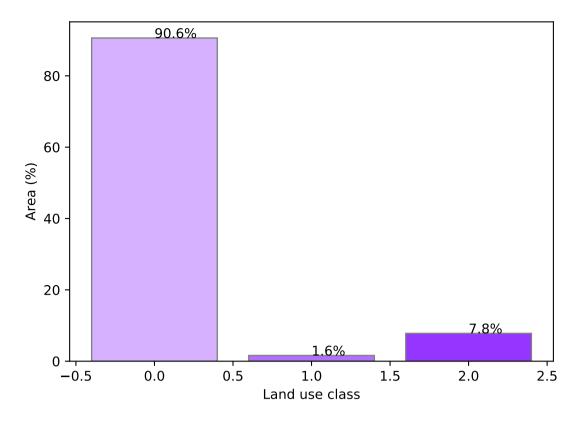




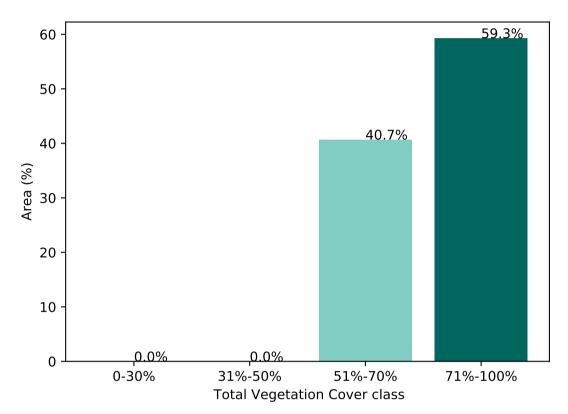




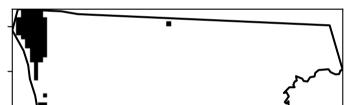
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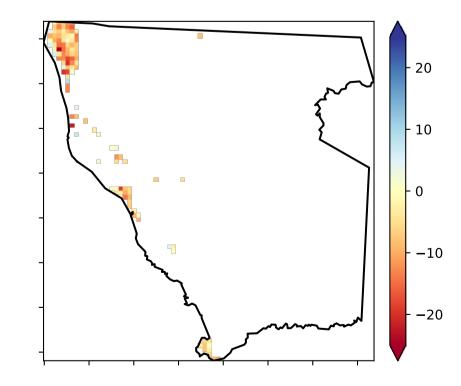
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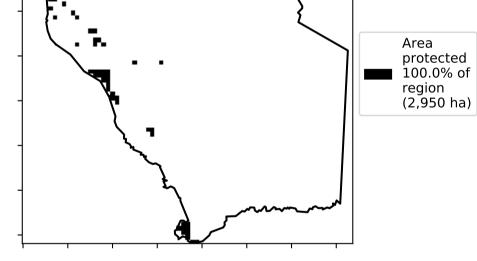
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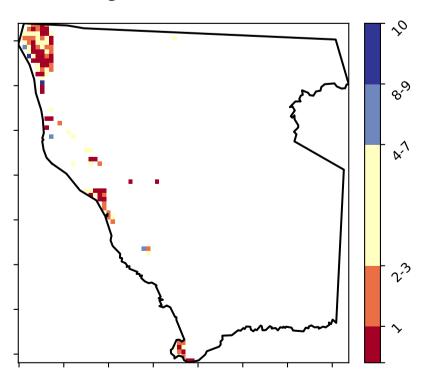
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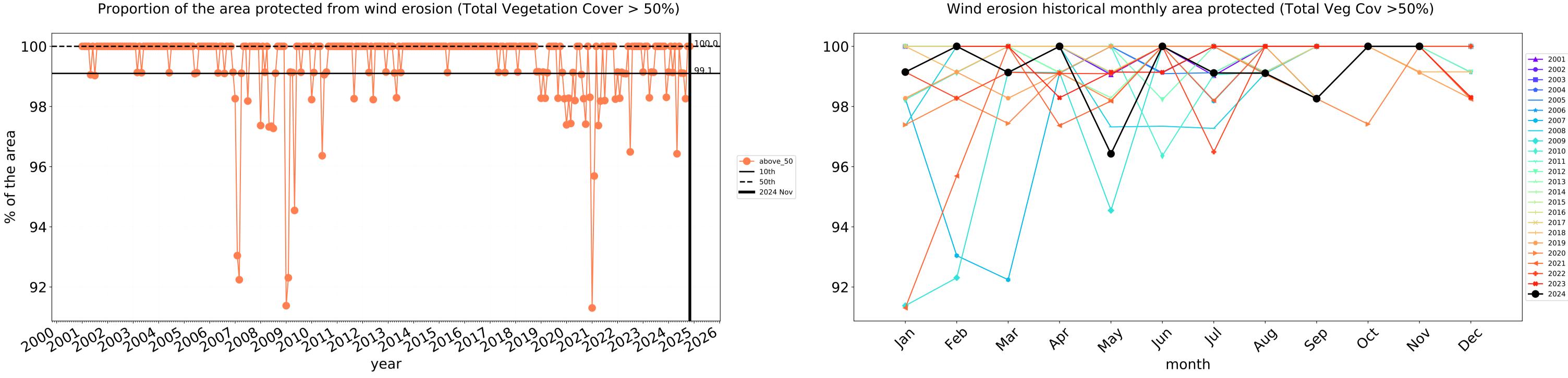


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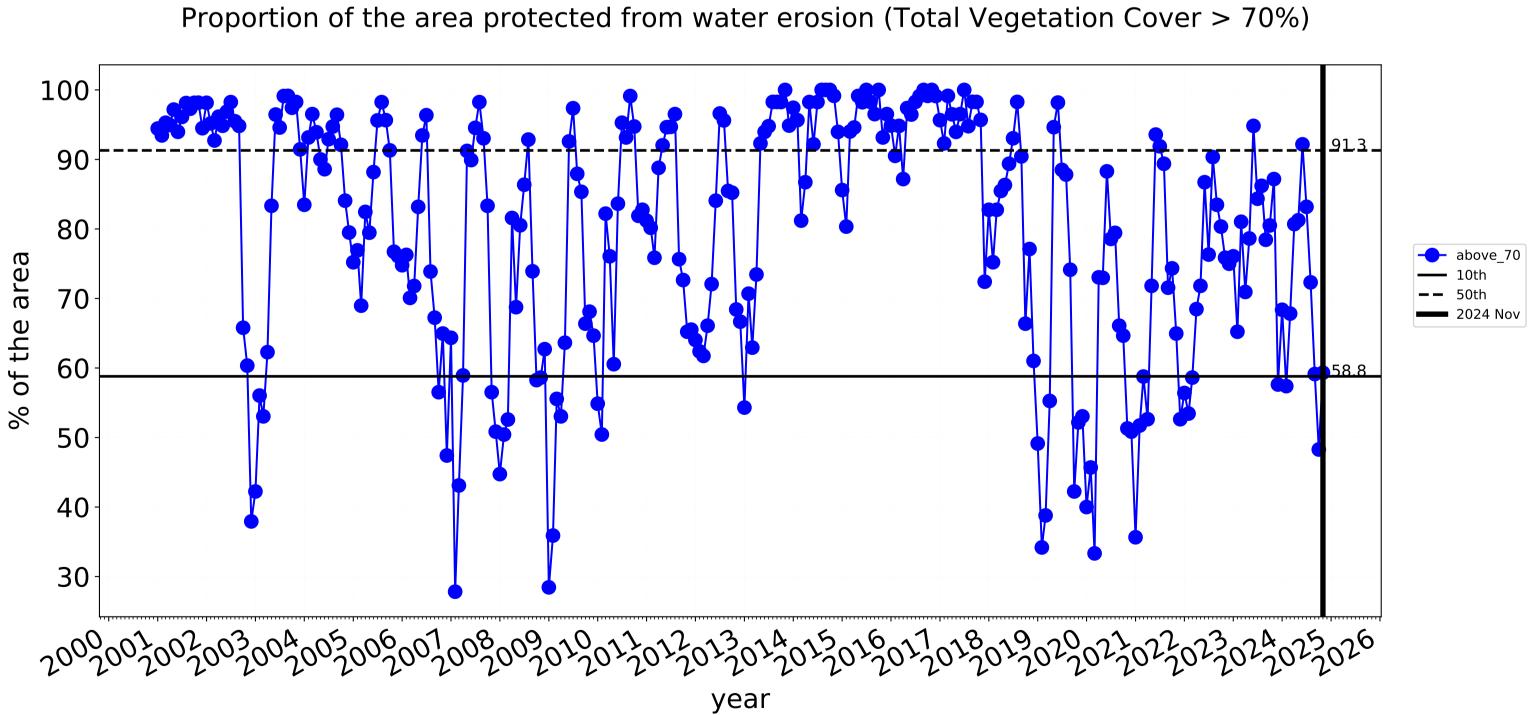






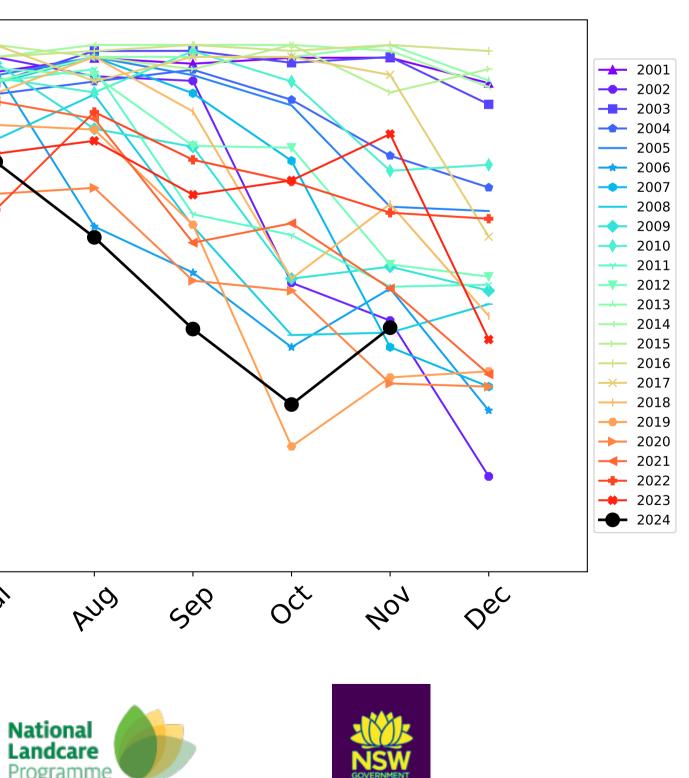


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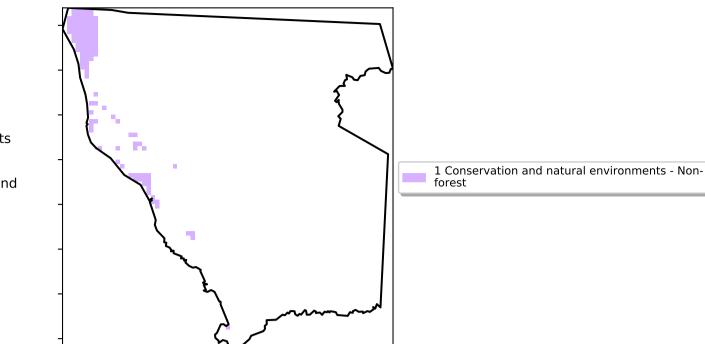
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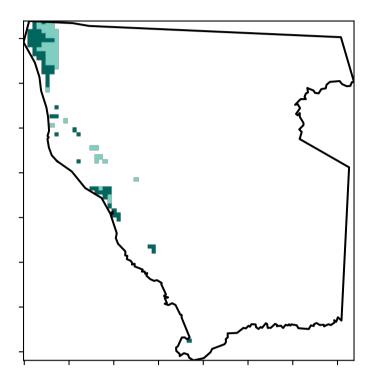


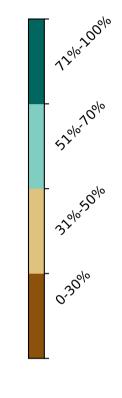
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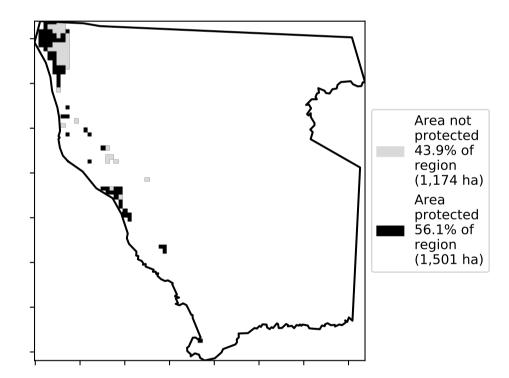


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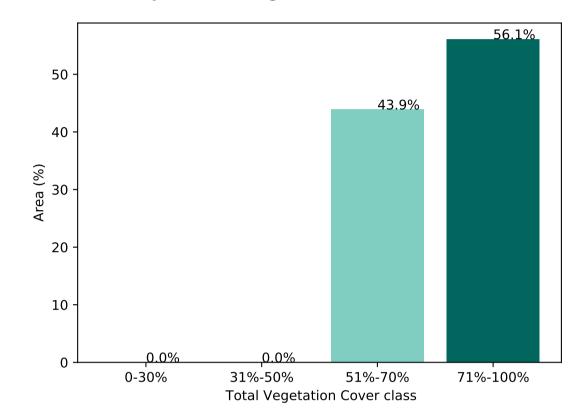




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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

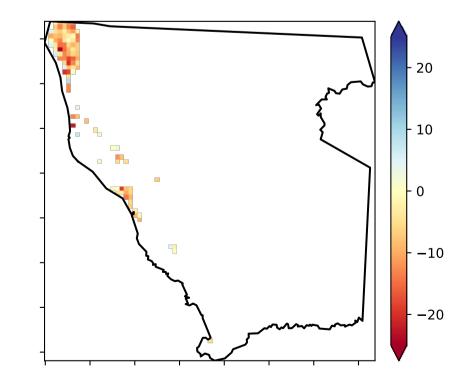


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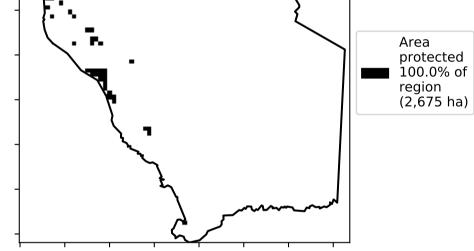


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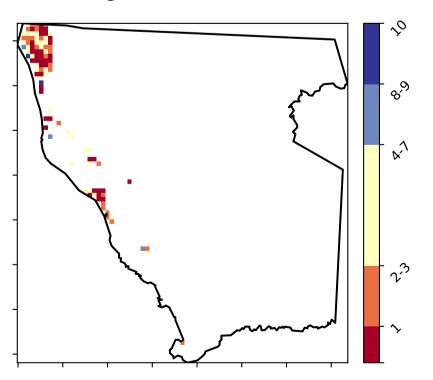
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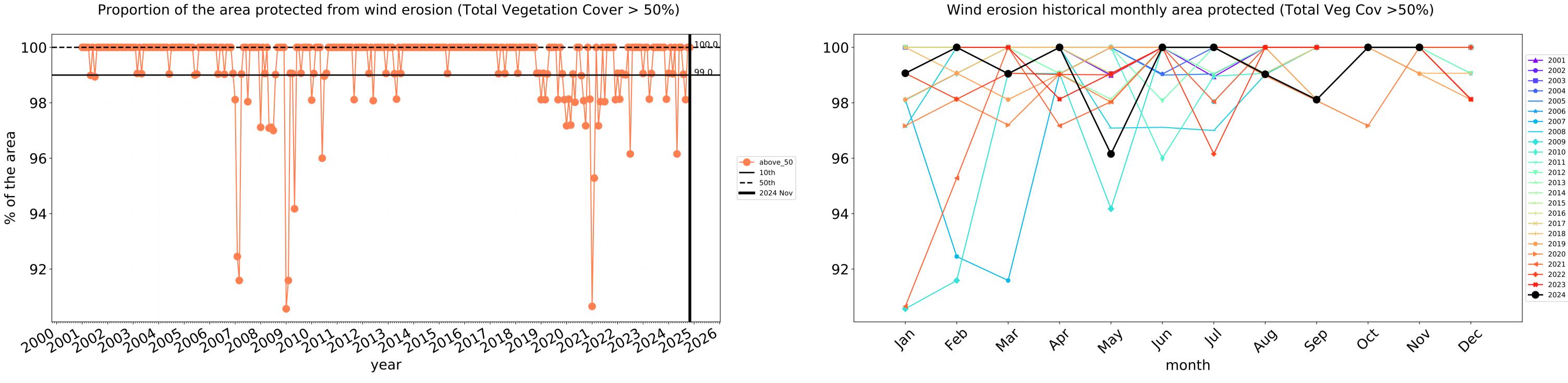


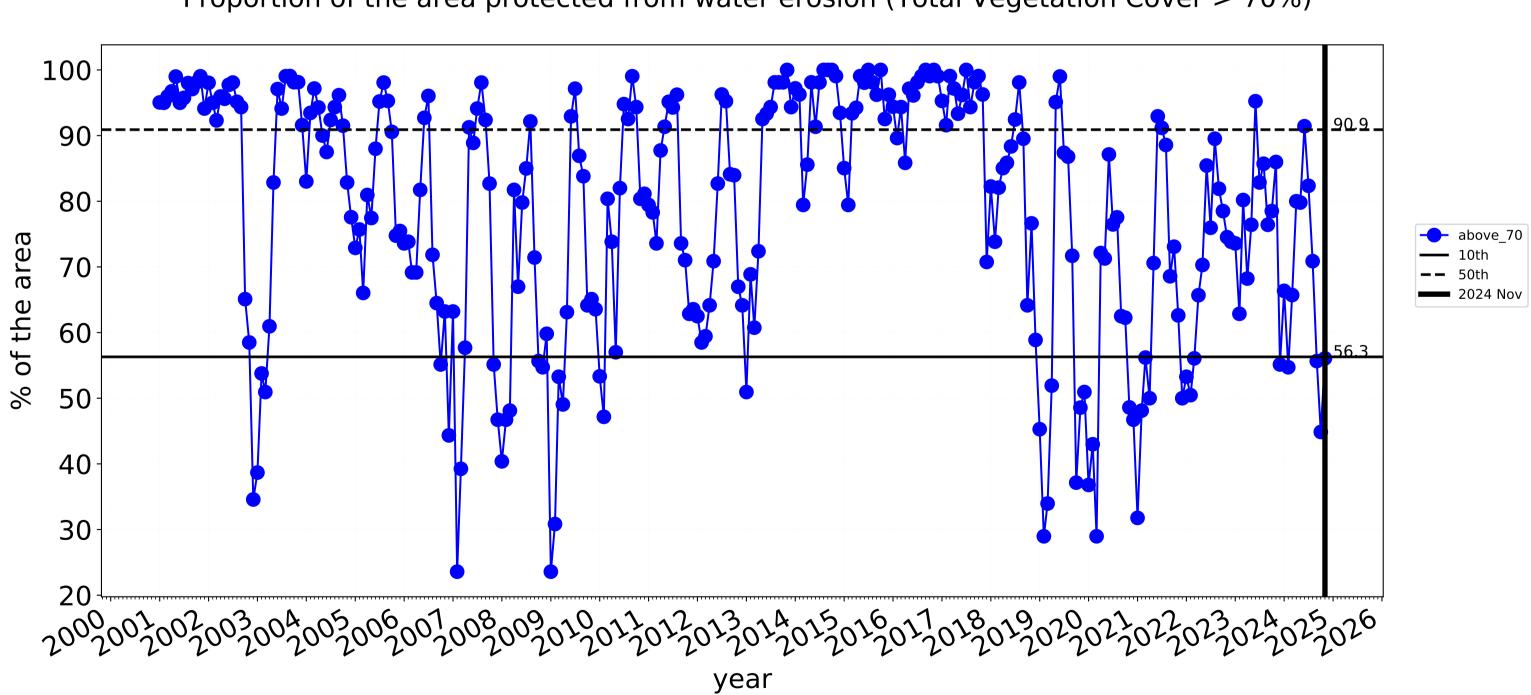




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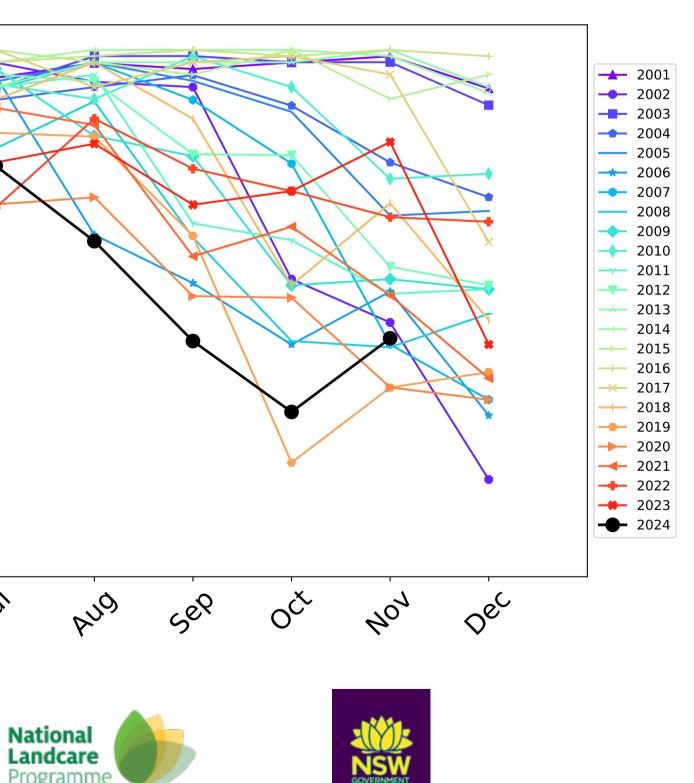




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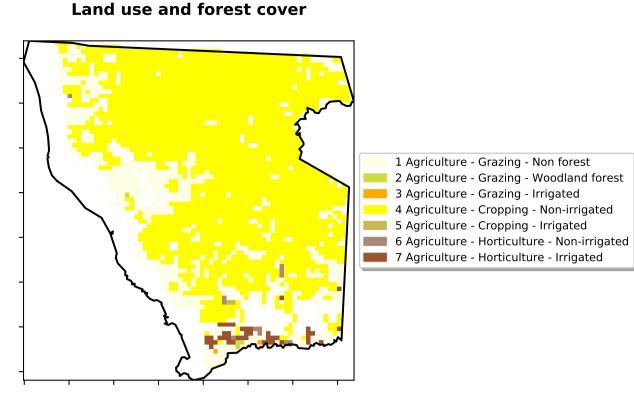
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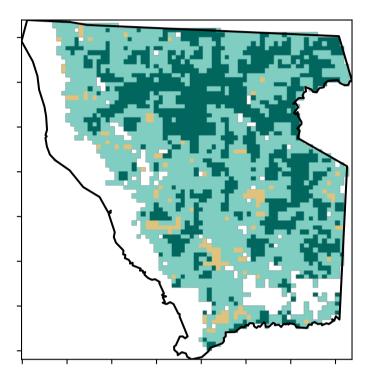


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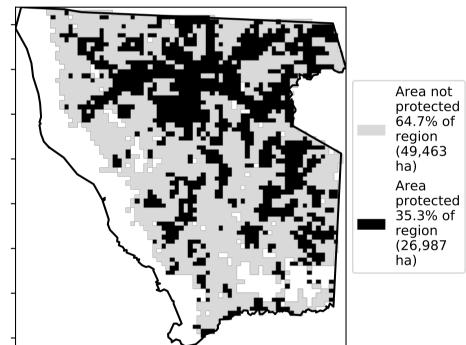
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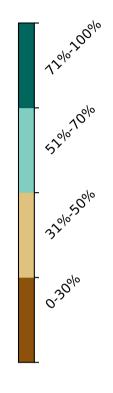


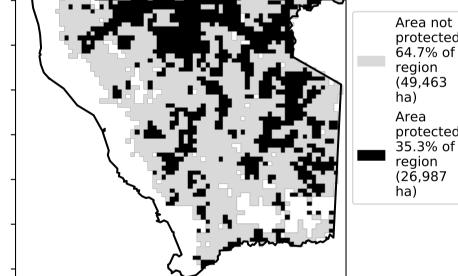
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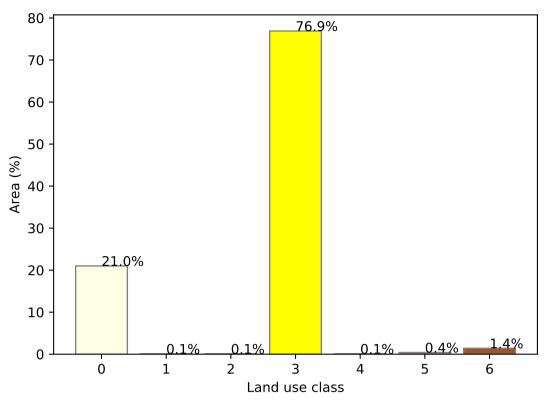




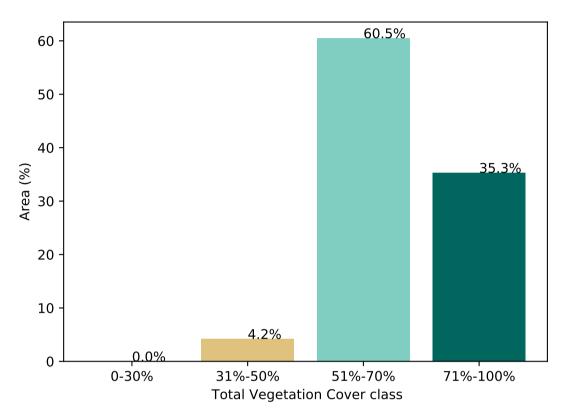








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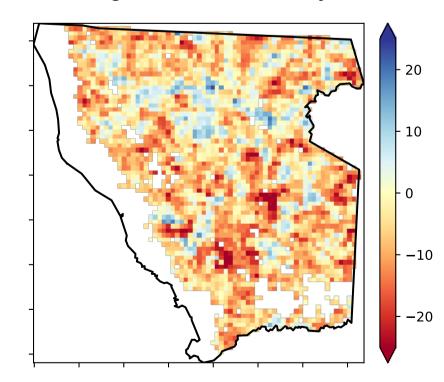


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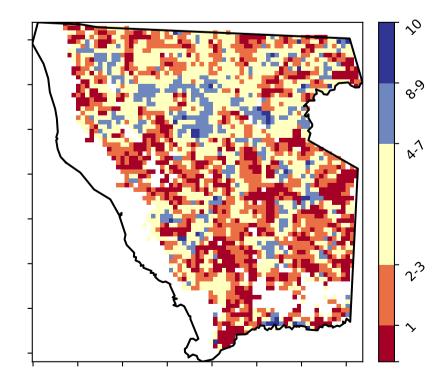


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



Area not protected 4.0% of region (3,058 ha) Area protected 96.0% of region (73,392 ha)

**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 







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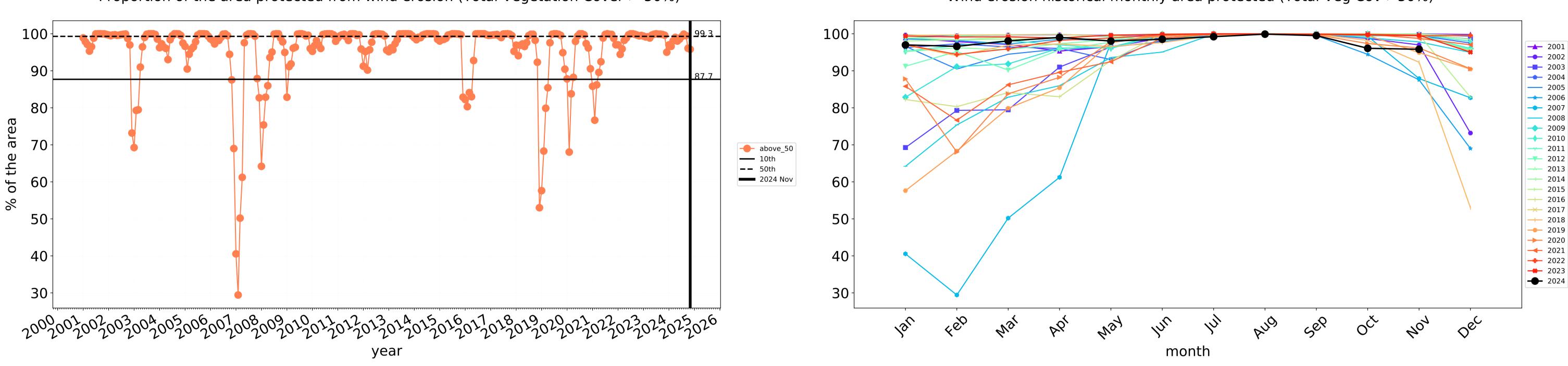
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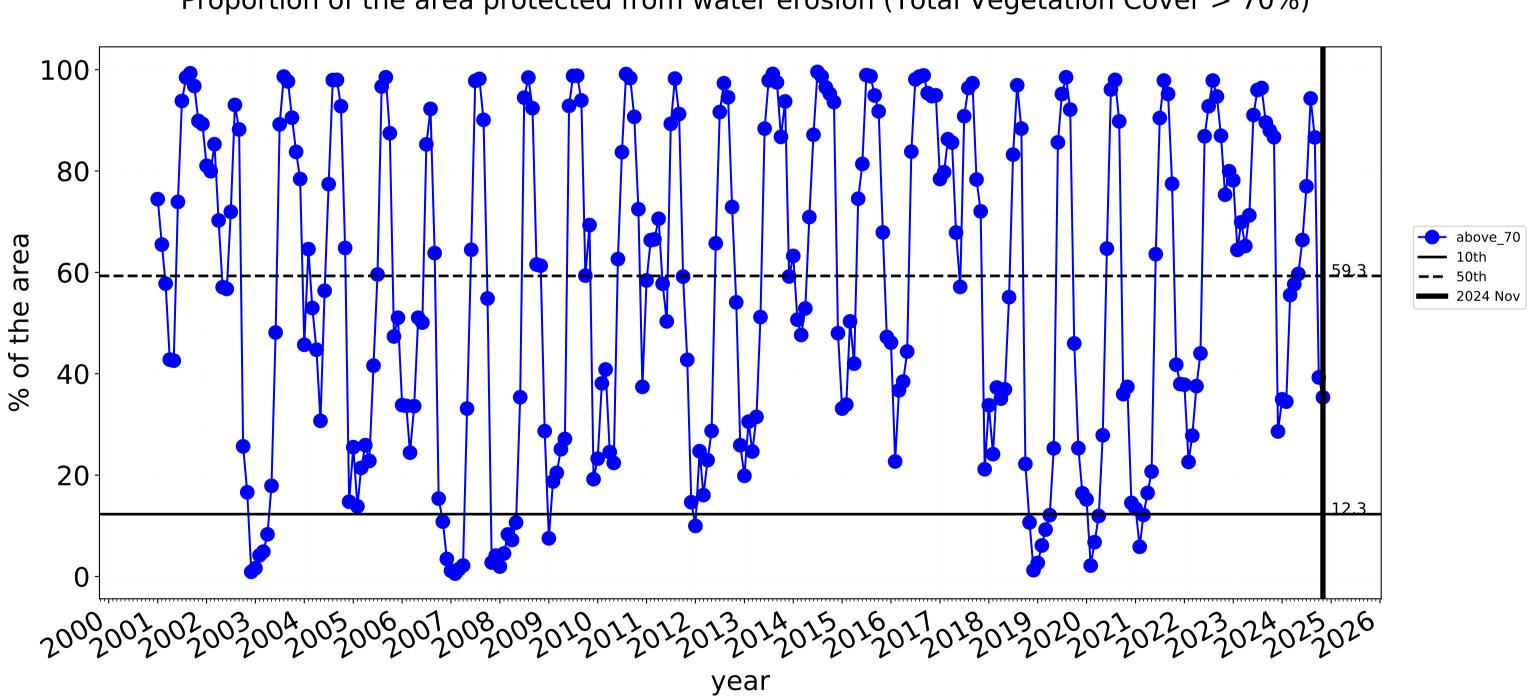
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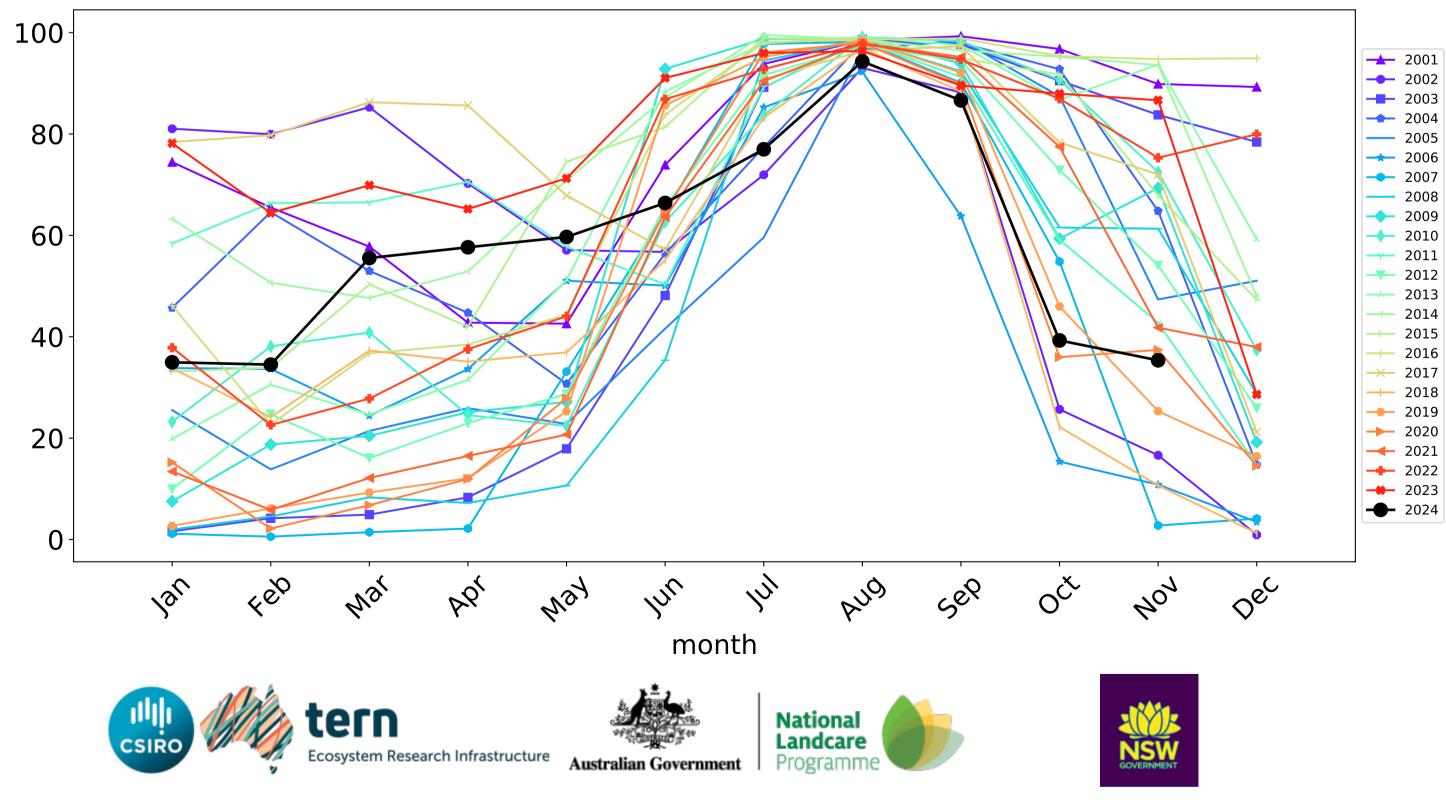
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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

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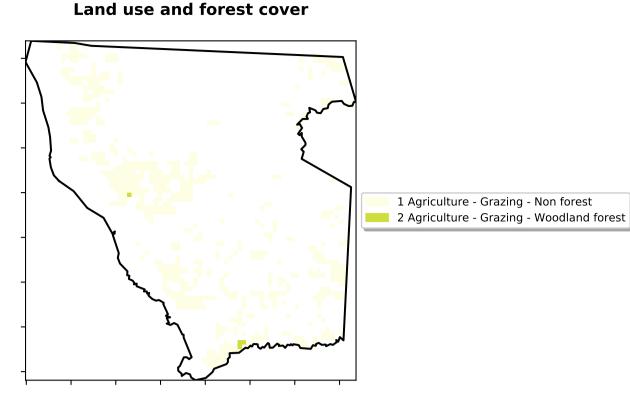


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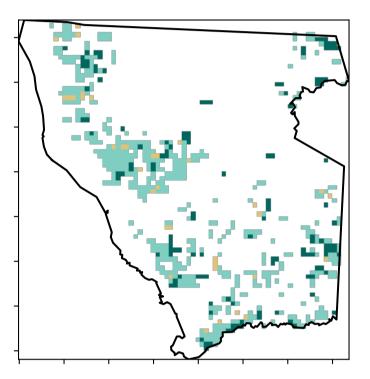
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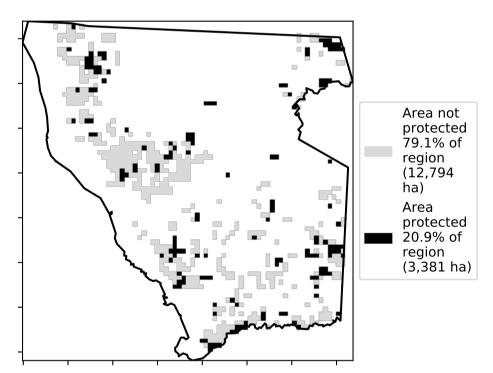
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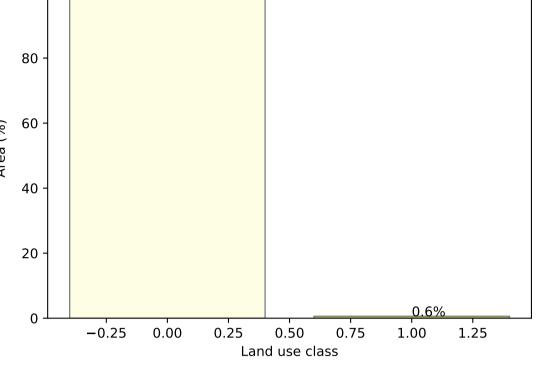




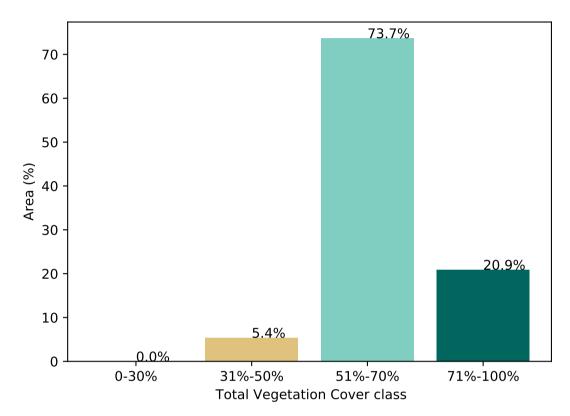


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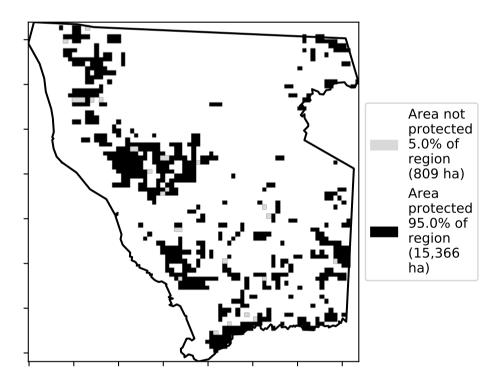
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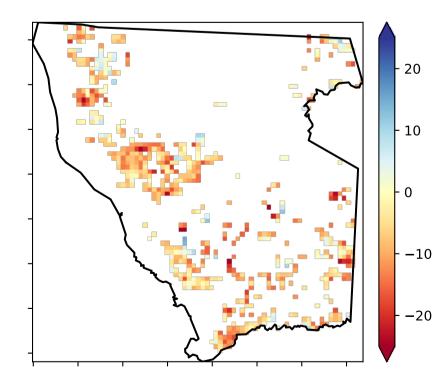
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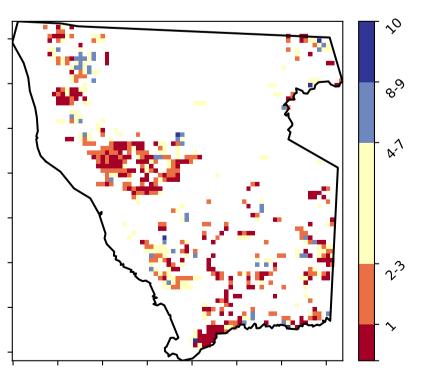


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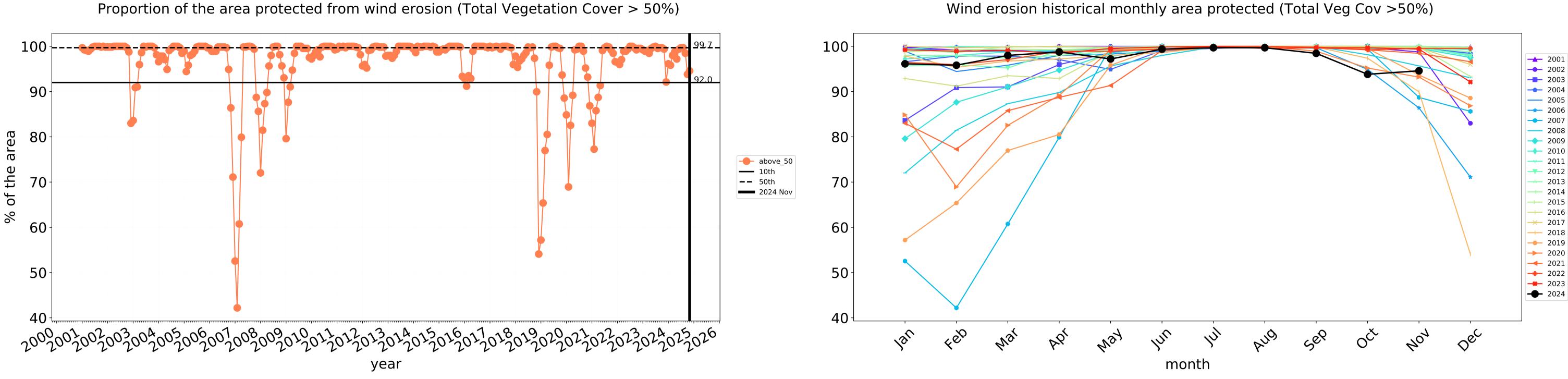


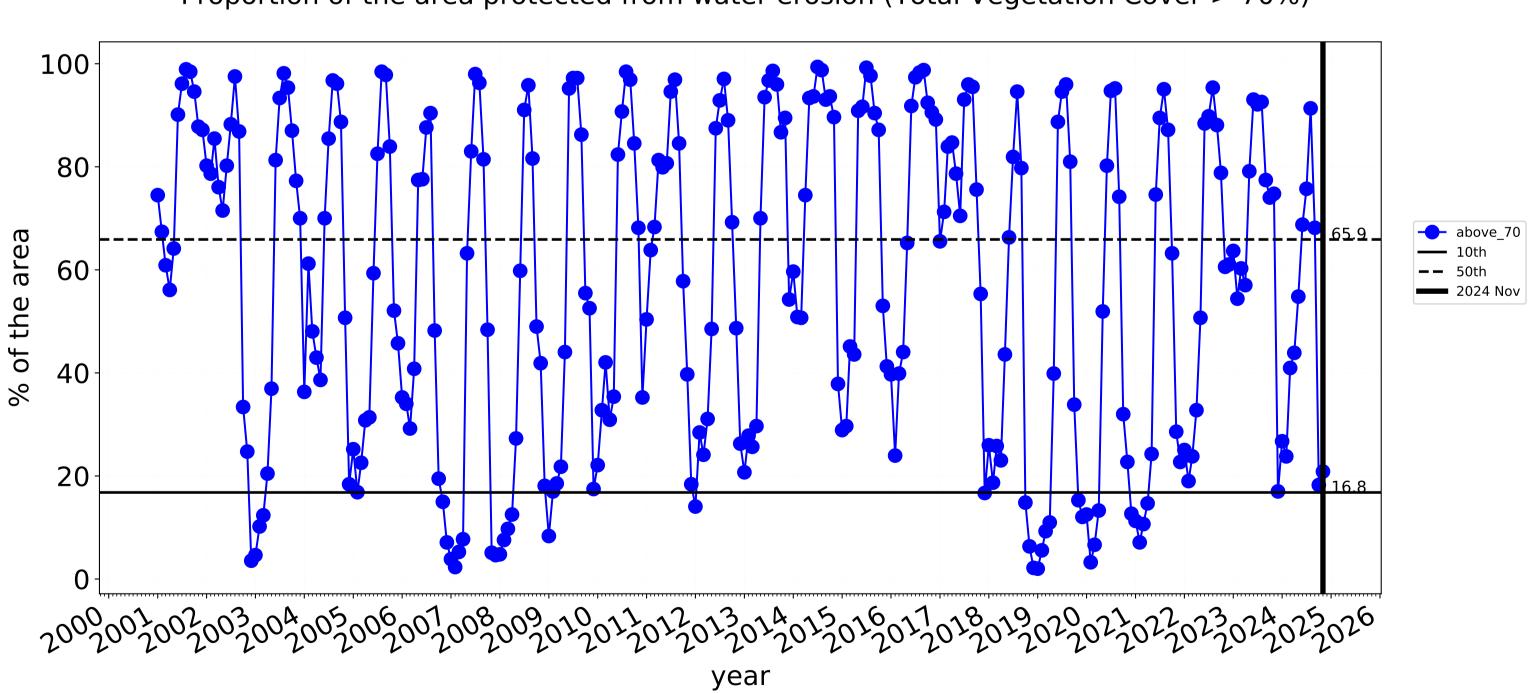


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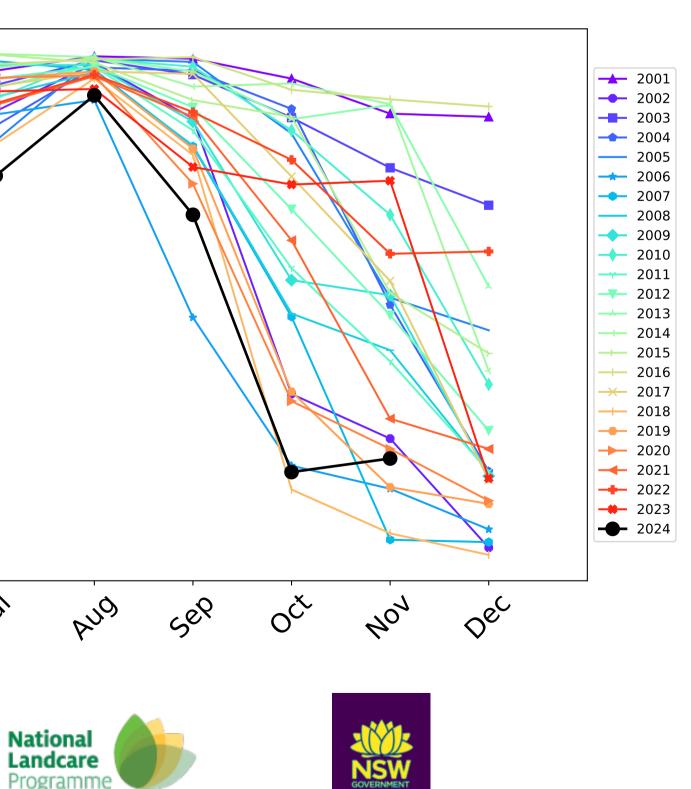


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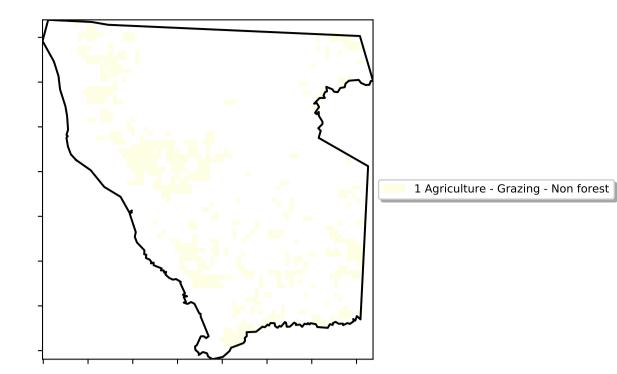
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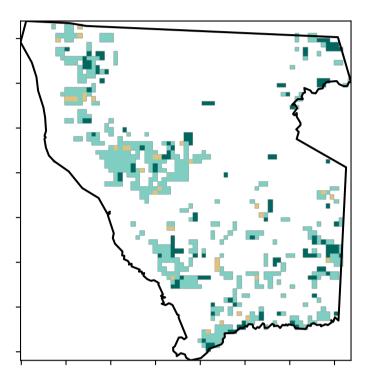


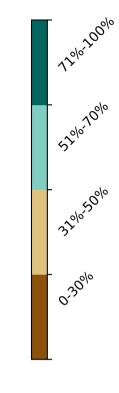
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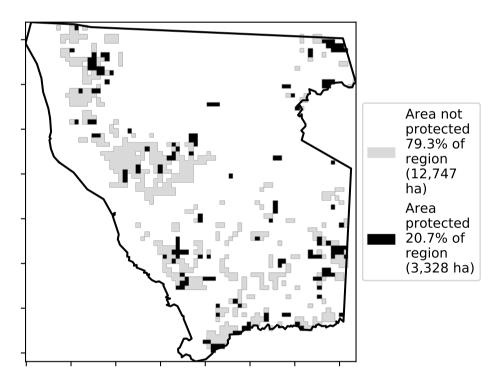


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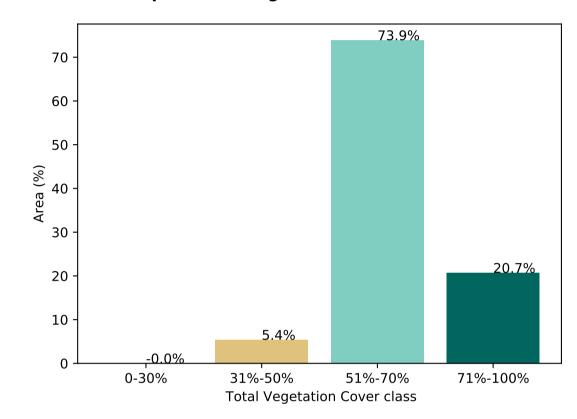




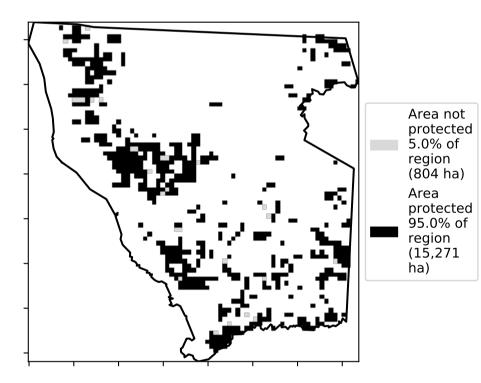
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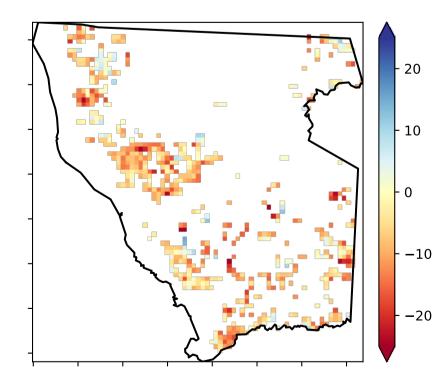


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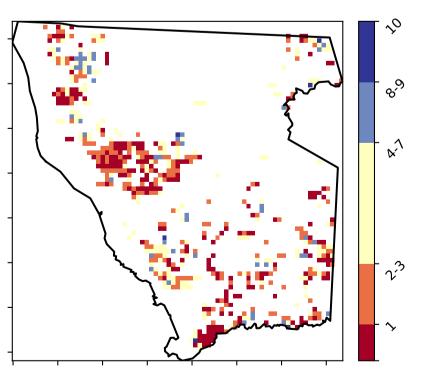


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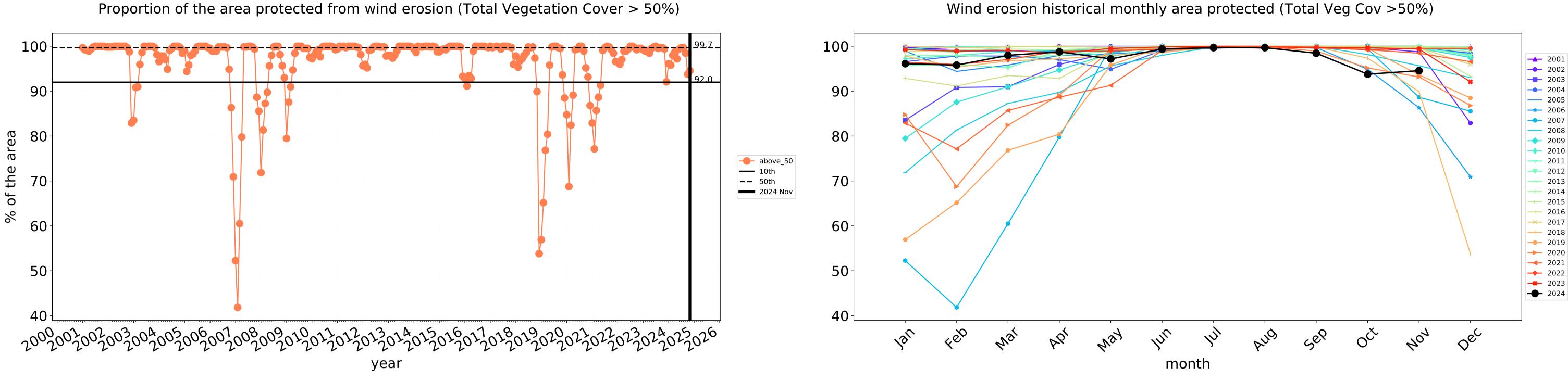
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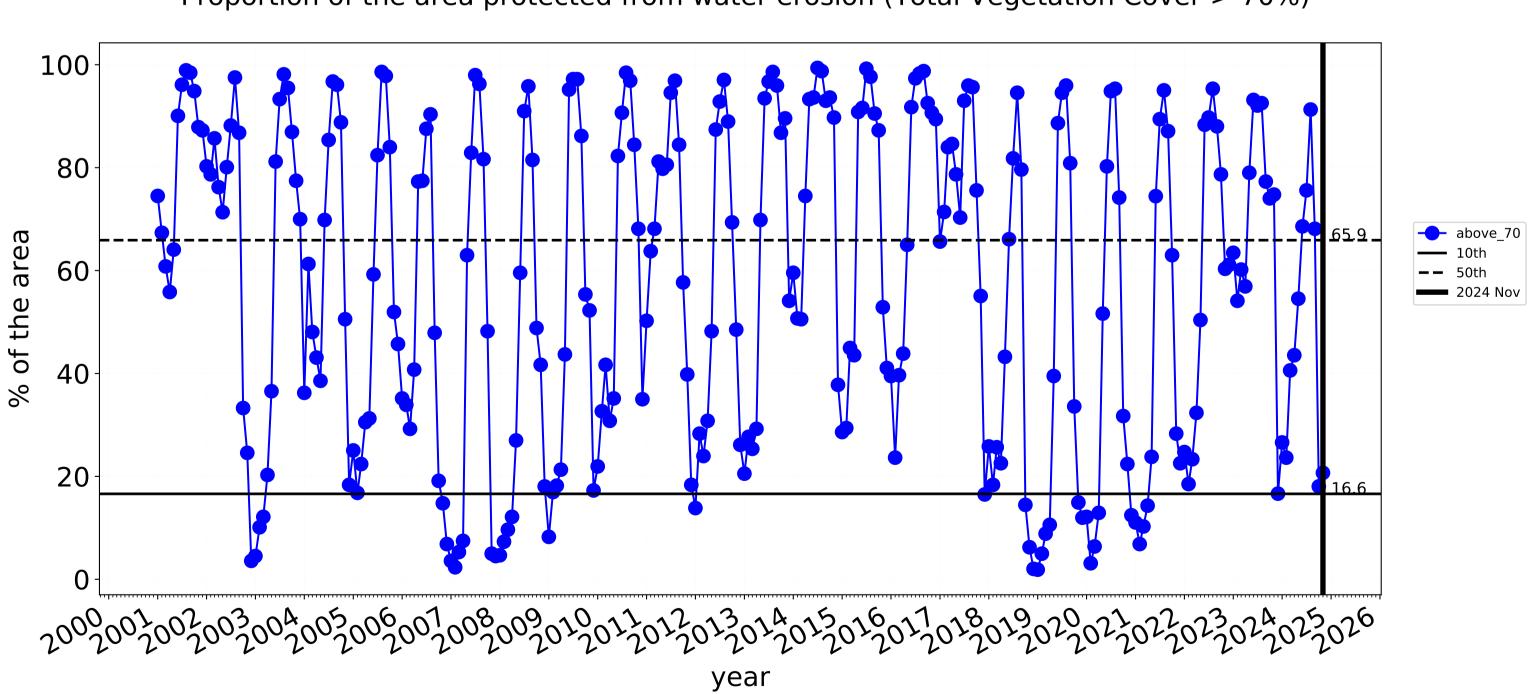




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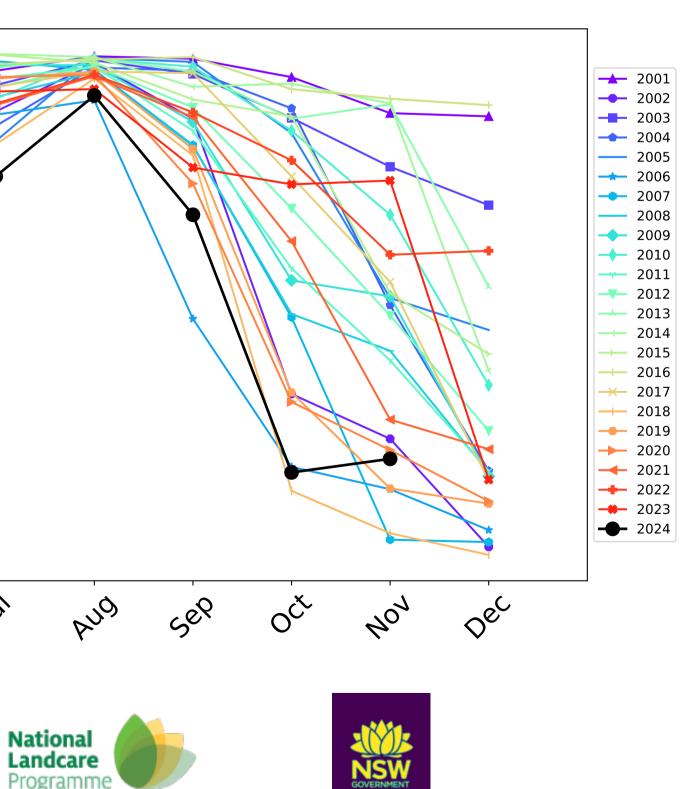
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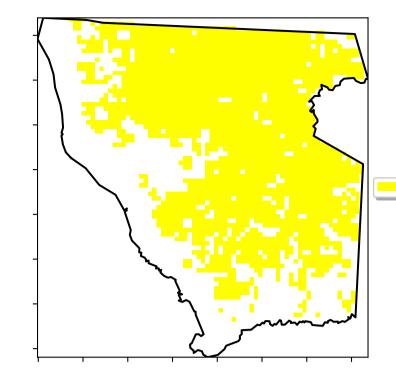
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Programme



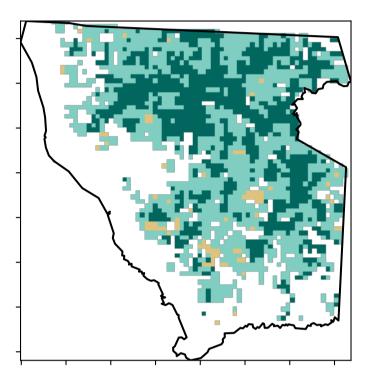
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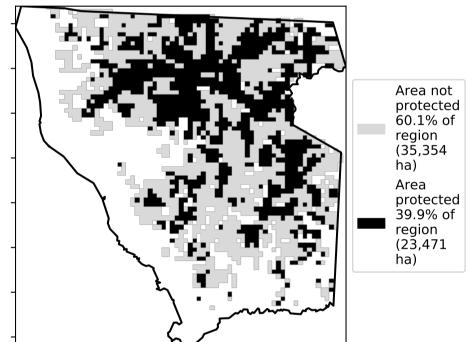


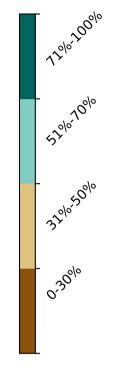
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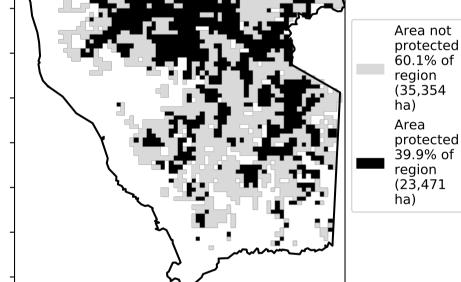
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



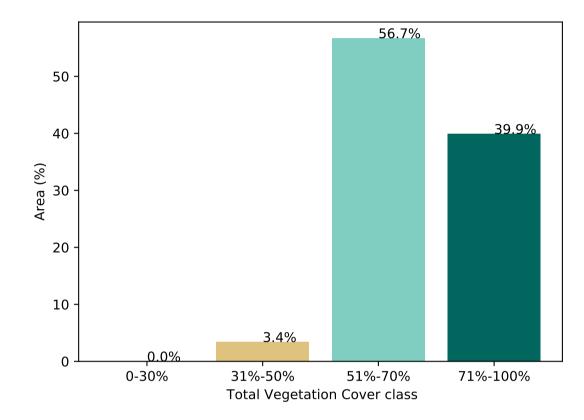








Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

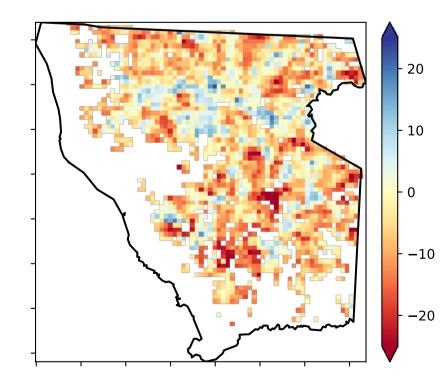


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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

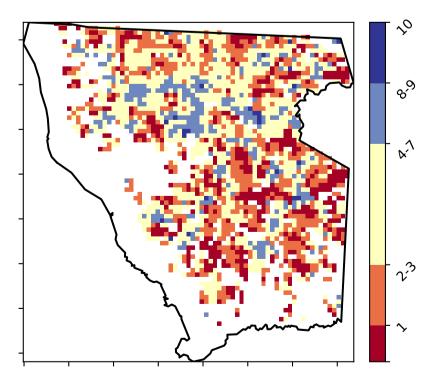
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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

Area not protected 3.0% of region (1,765 ha) Area protected 97.0% of region (57,060 ha)

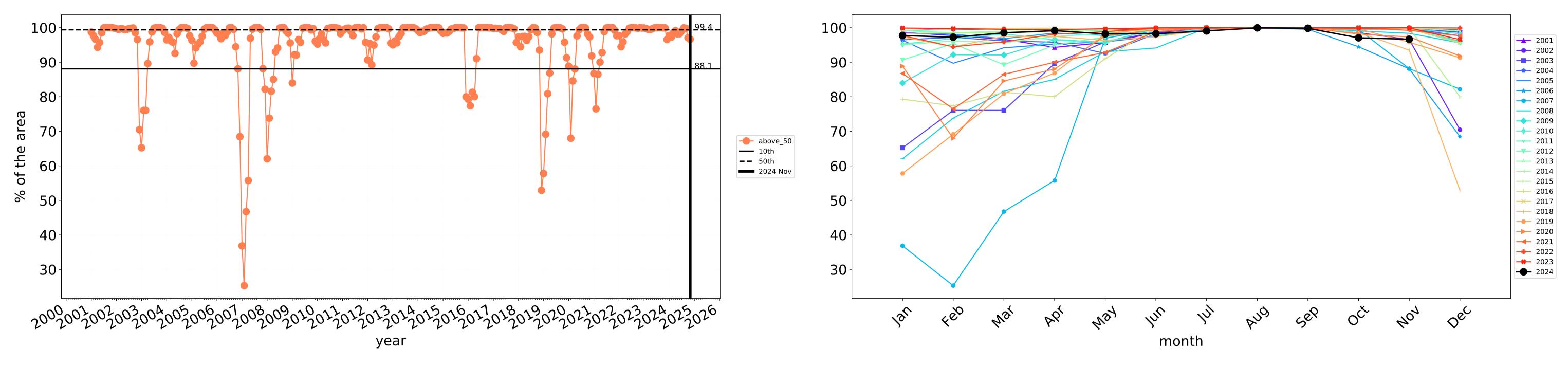
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







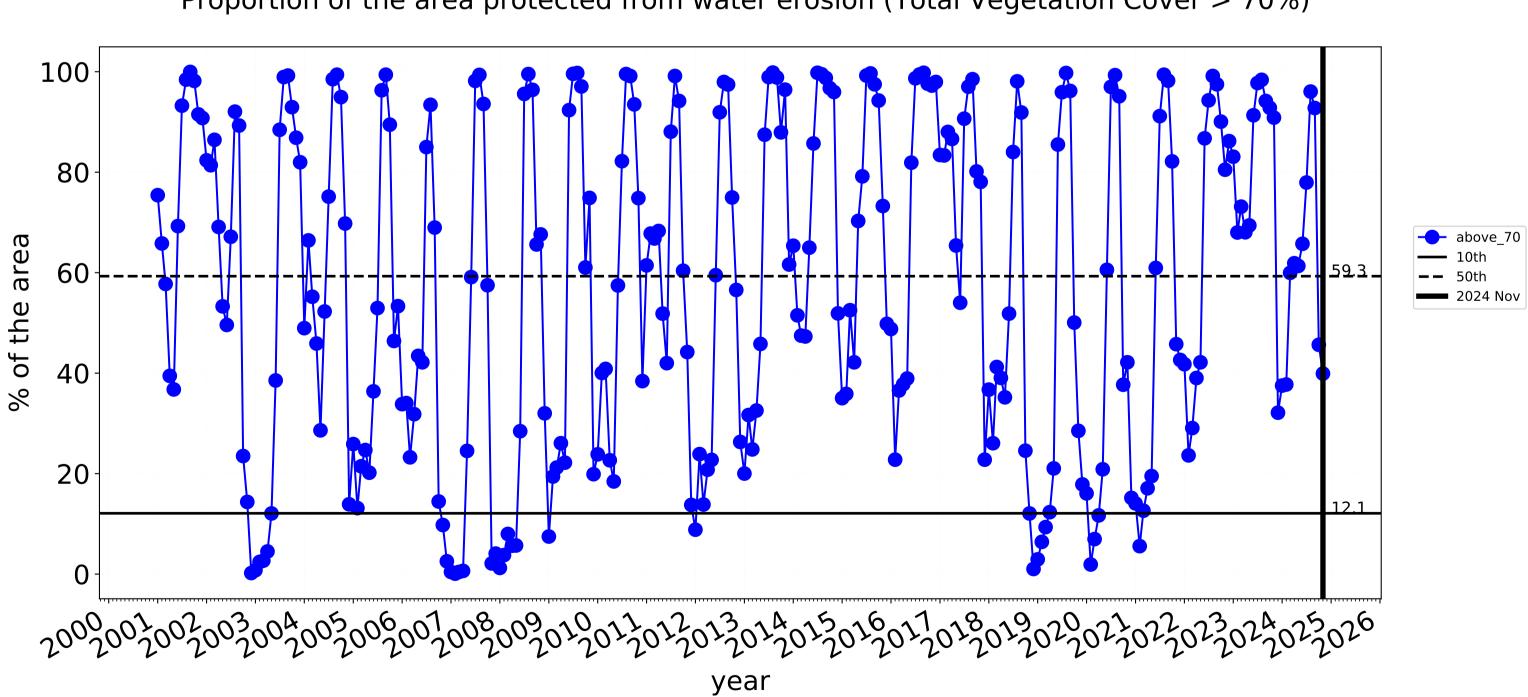
Anomaly show how many percetage points each pixel is from the mean. That is, red pixels are about 20% lower than the mean of that pixel. The mean is only for the month of the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019.



**——** 10th

**——** 2024 Nov

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

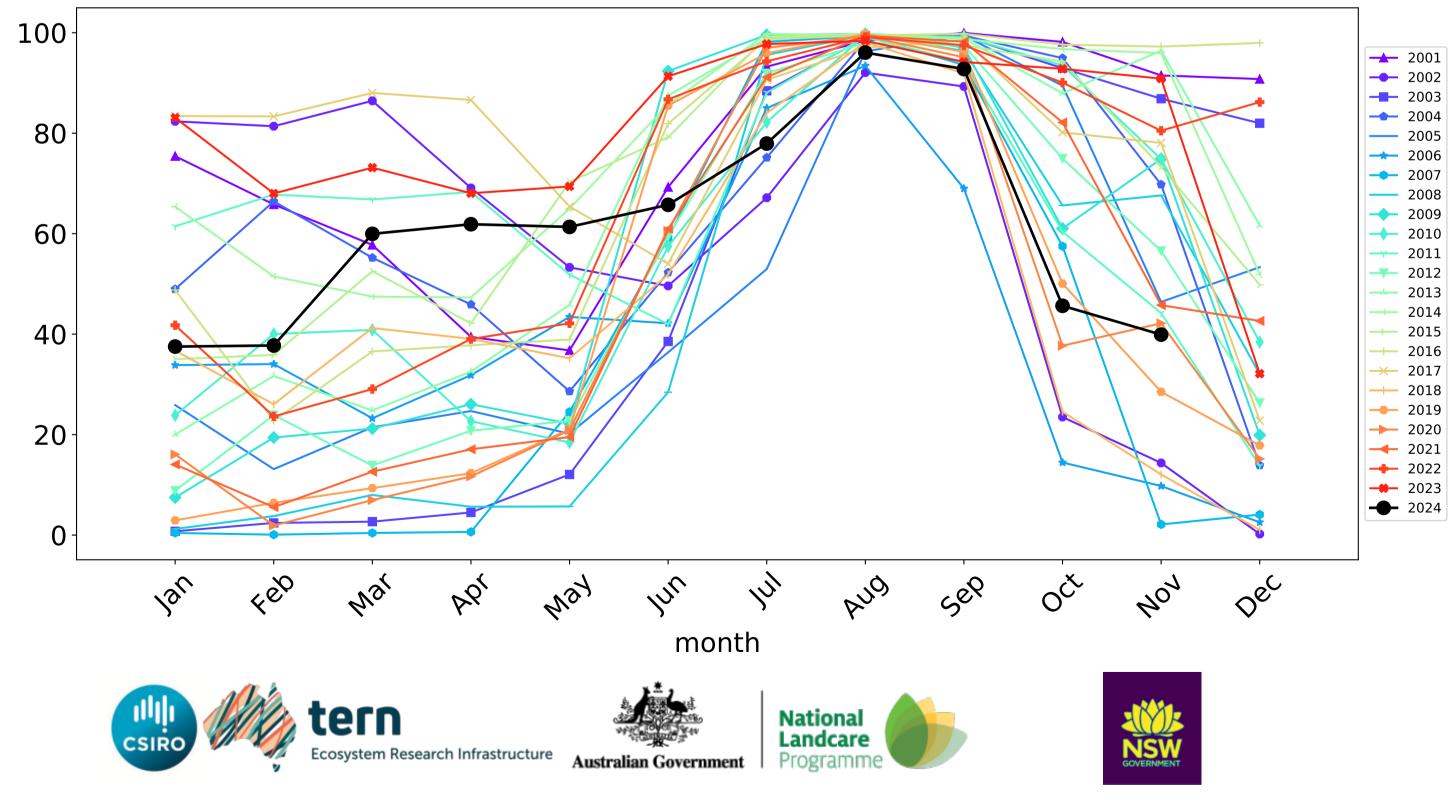


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

# **Cropping timeseries**



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



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

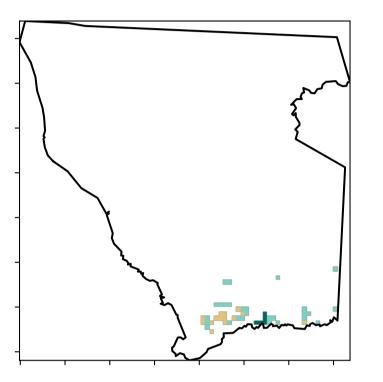
### Irrigation

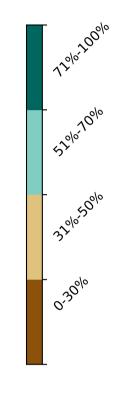
Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) 1 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 2 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated Catchment Scale Land (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

Land use and forest cover

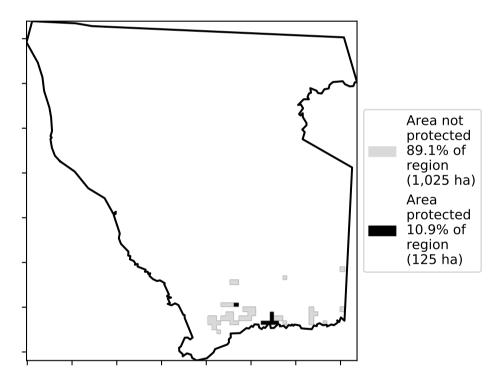
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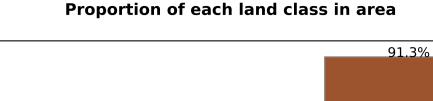
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

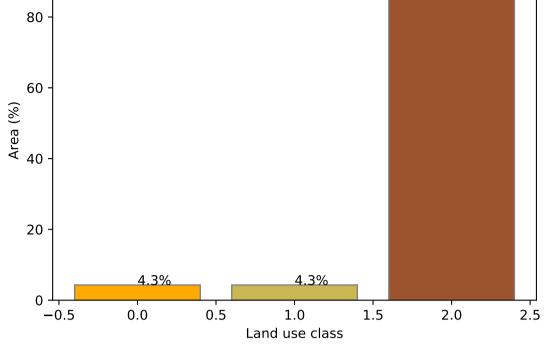




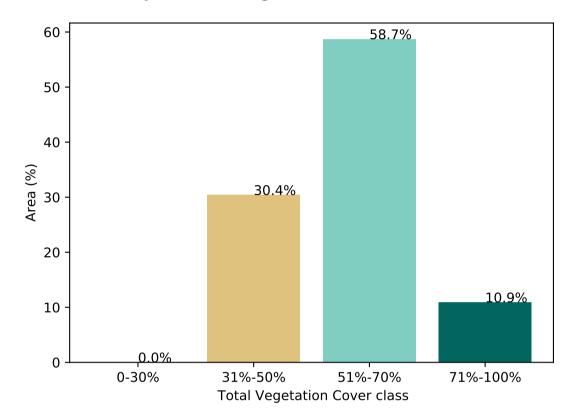
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



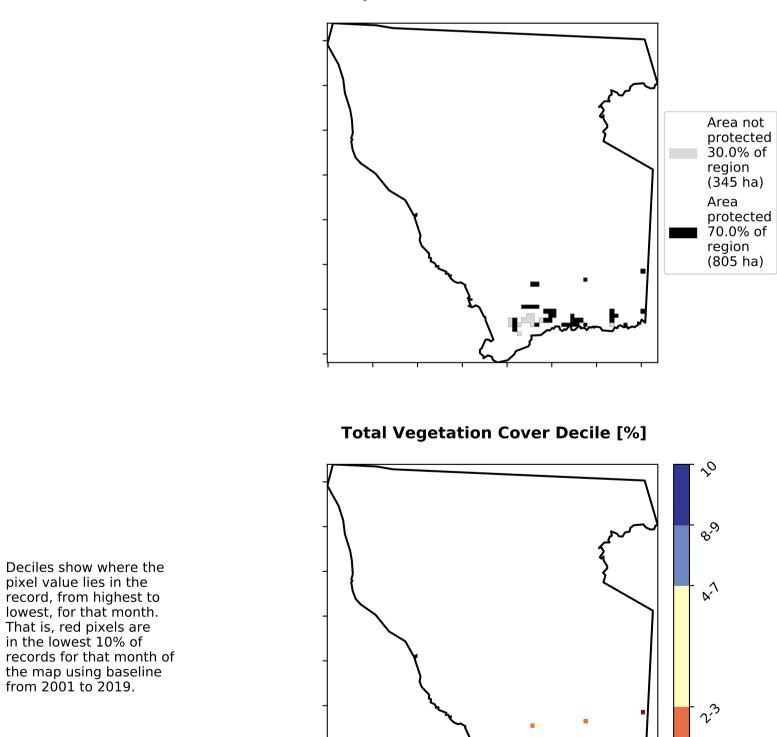




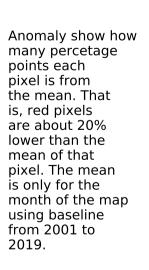
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

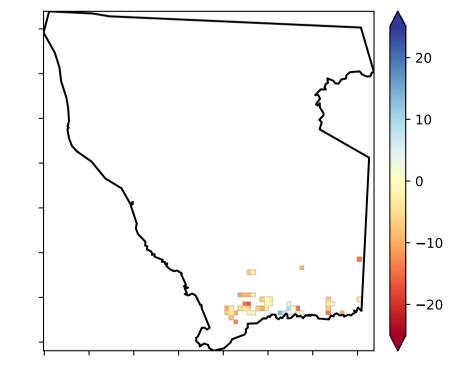


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



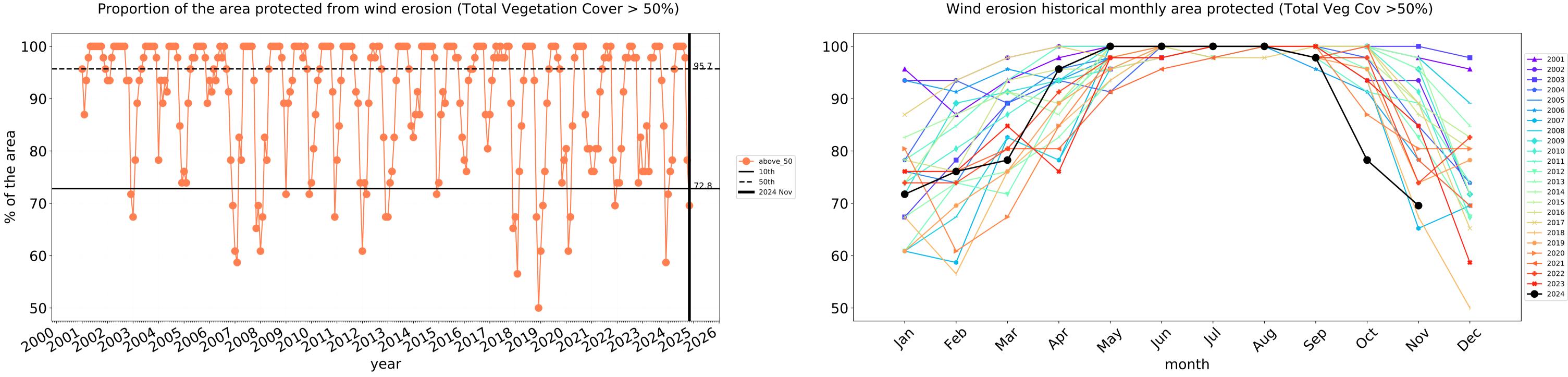
Derived from

Use of Australia









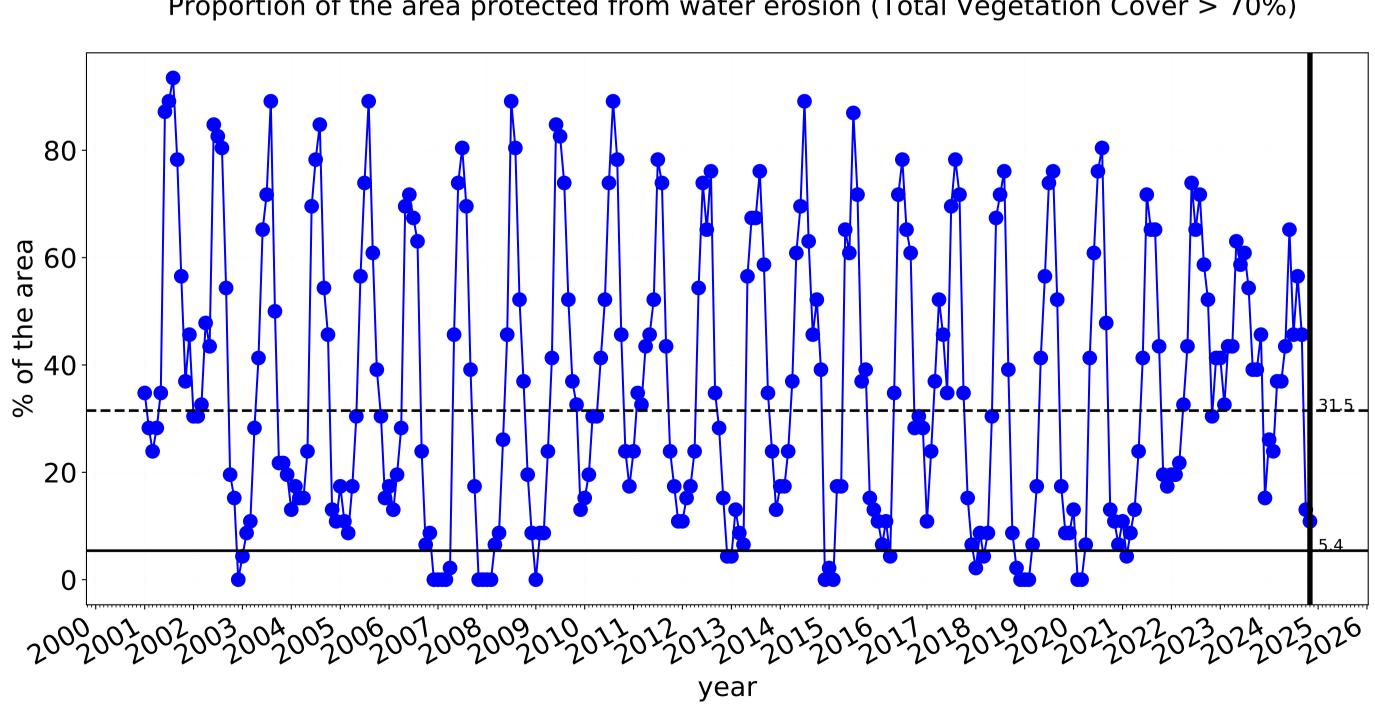
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**——** 2024 Nov

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**——** 50th

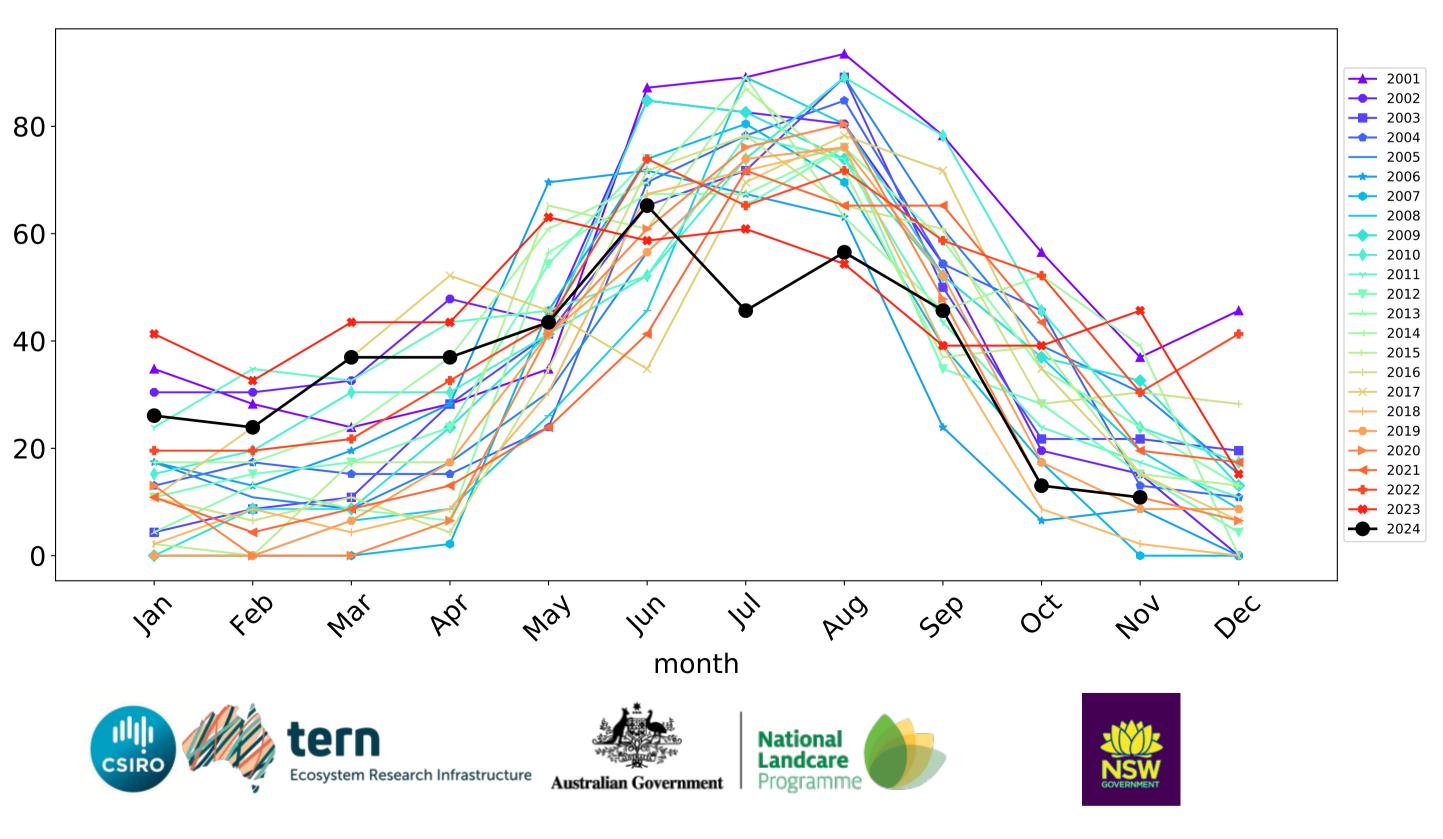
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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

# Irrigation timeseries

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



# Mallala\_(DC) (92,450 ha and no data 690 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	92,450	100.0% 92,425	96.1% 88,825	36.5% 33,750	11.7% 10,775	2.0% 1,850	0.8% 750
Conservation and natural environments	2,950	100.0% 2,950	100.0% 2,950	59.3% 1,750	28.0% 825	7.6% 225	2.5% 75
Conservation and natural environments non forest	2,675	100.0% 2,675	100.0% 2,675	56.1% 1,500	23.4% 625	8.4% 225	2.8% 75
Agriculture	76,450	100.0% 76,450	95.8% 73,250	35.3% 27,025	10.2% 7,775	1.2% 950	0.4% 300
Grazing	16,175	100.0% 16,175	94.6% 15,300	20.9% 3,375	2.9% 475	0.2% 25	0.0% 0
Grazing non forest	16,075	100.0% 16,075	94.6% 15,200	20.7% 3,325	3.0% 475	0.2% 25	0.0% 0
Cropping	58,825	100.0% 58,825	96.6% 56,850	39.9% 23,475	12.4% 7,275	1.6% 925	0.5% 300
Irrigation	1,150	100.0% 1,150	69.6% 800	10.9% 125	2.2% 25	0.0% 0	0.0% 0

