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

# Date: June 2022

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:

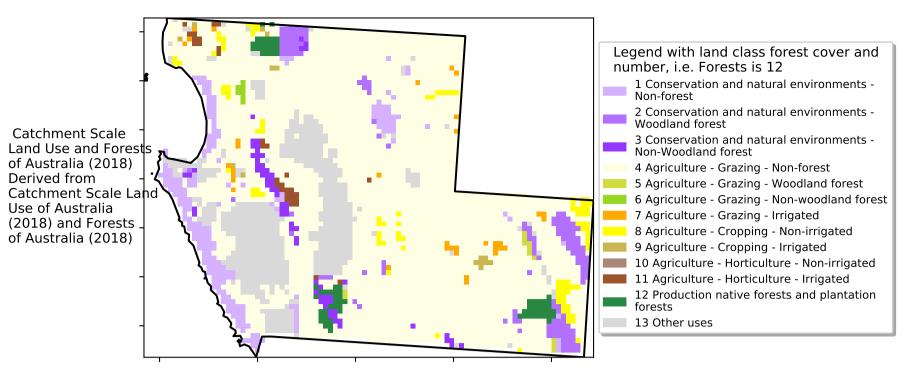
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# **Vegetation Cover Jun 2022**

#### Land use and forest cover

#### Proportion of each land class in area



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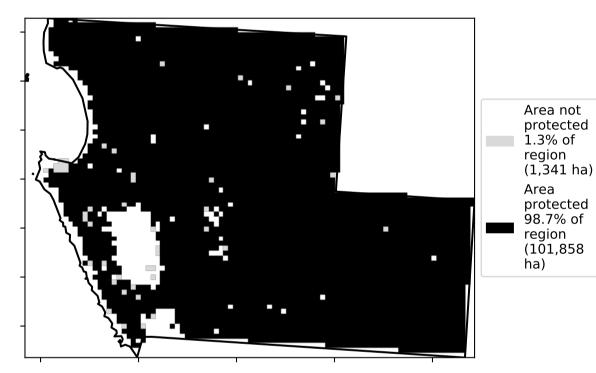
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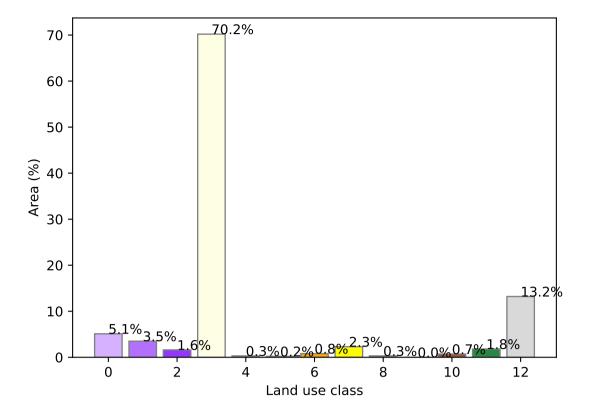
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**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

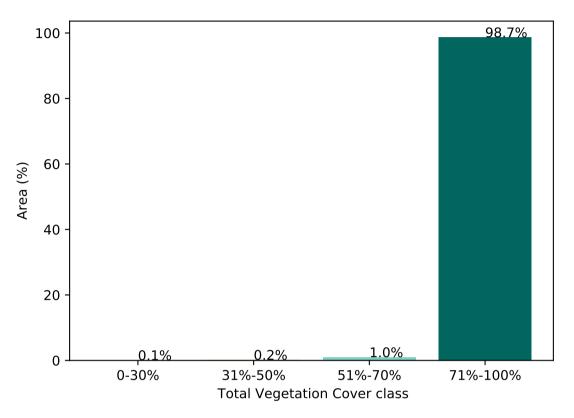


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



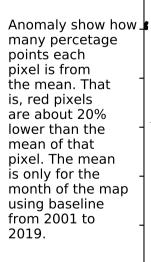
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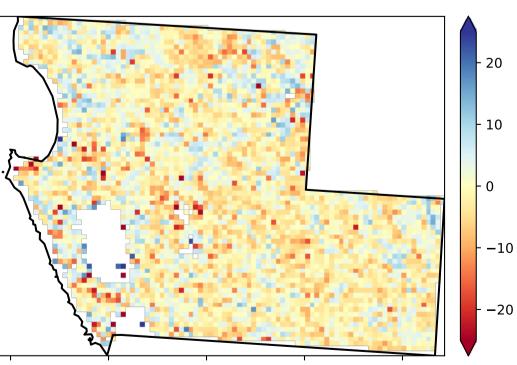


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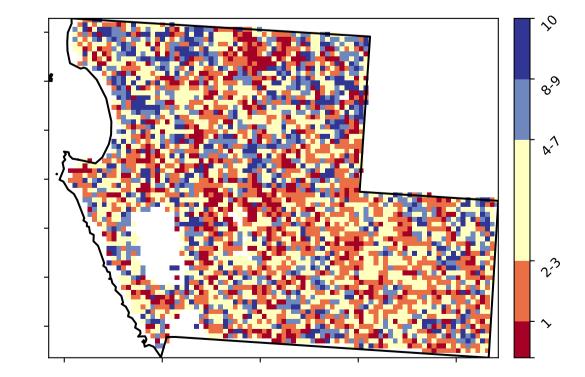
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

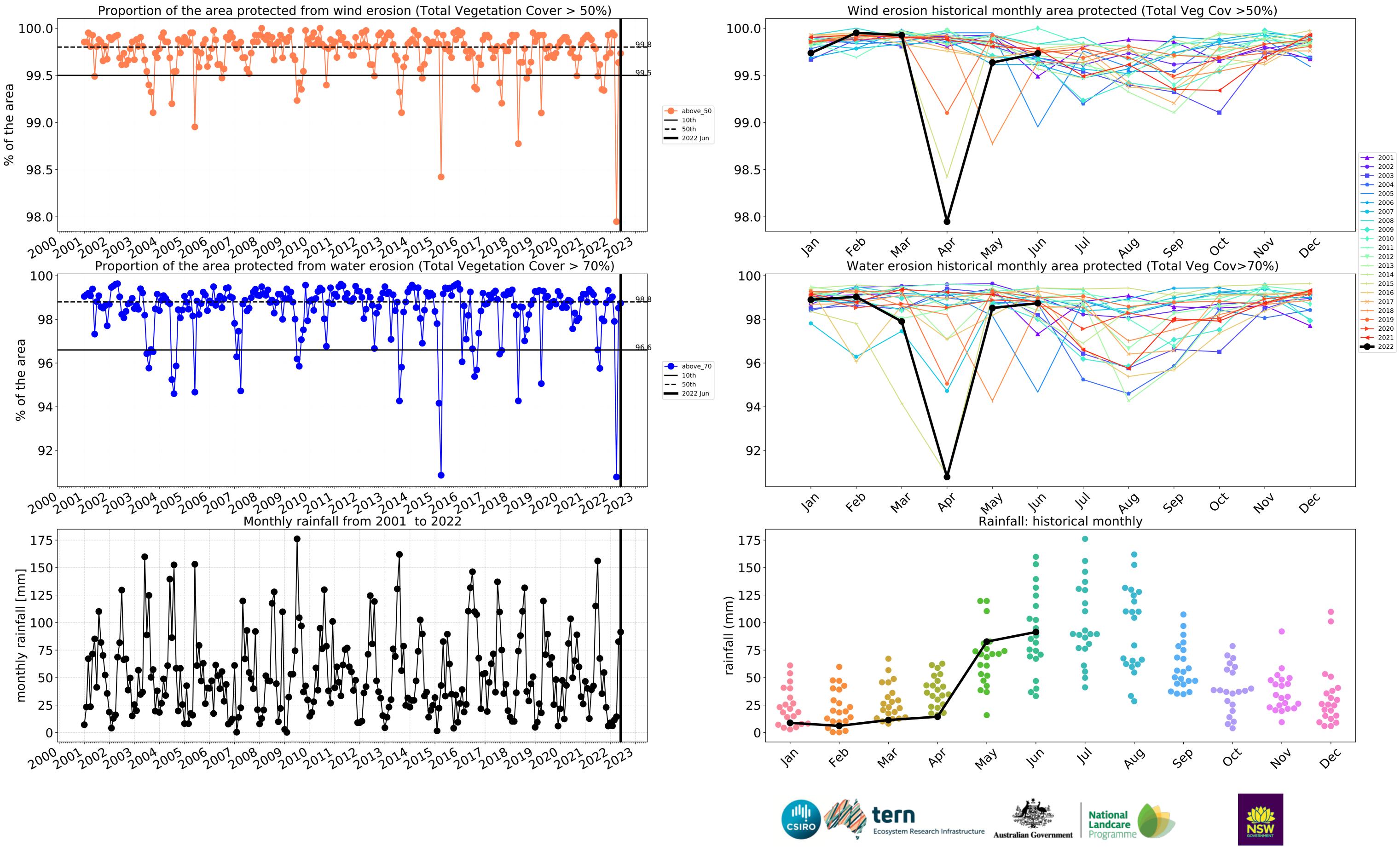


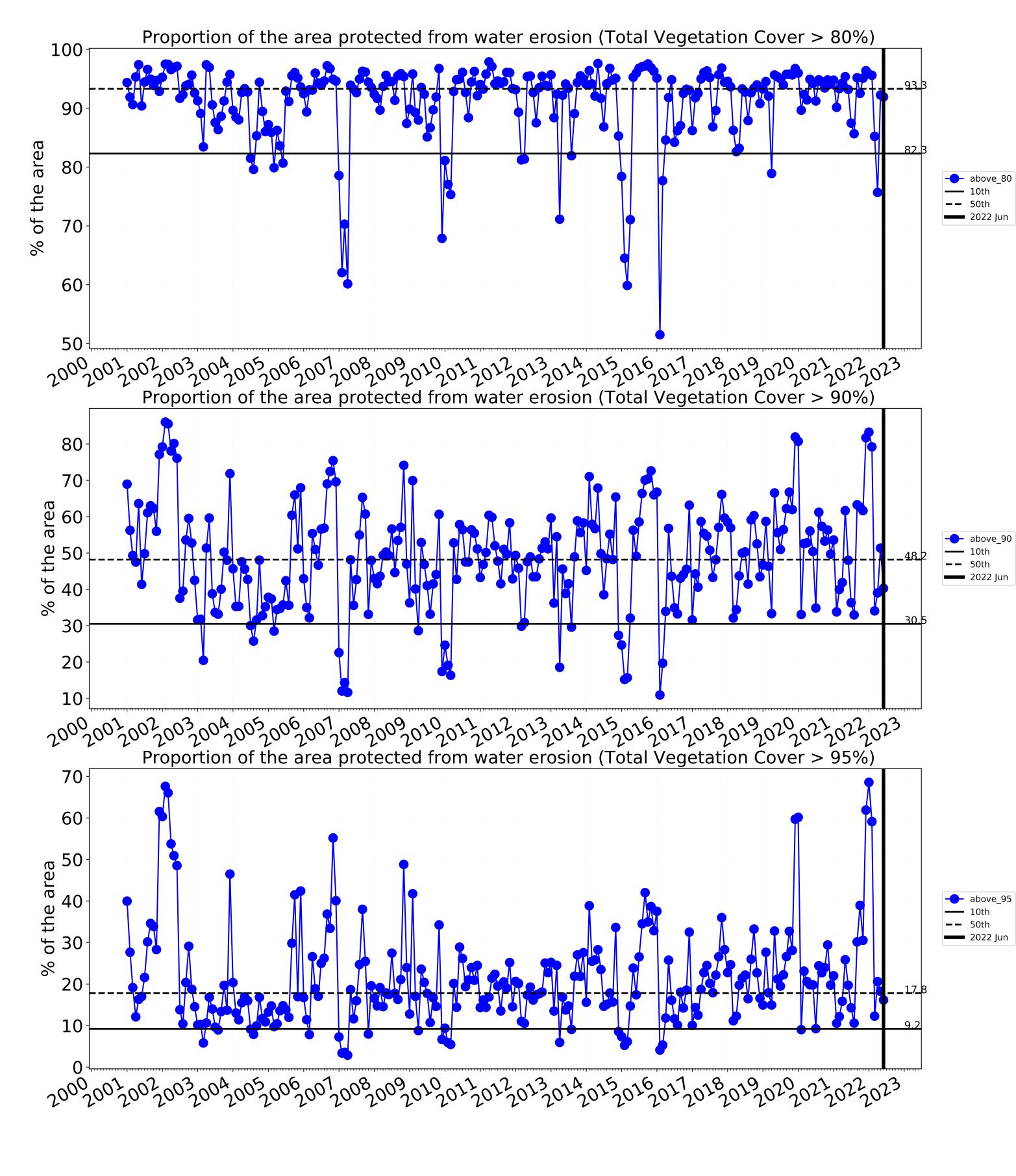


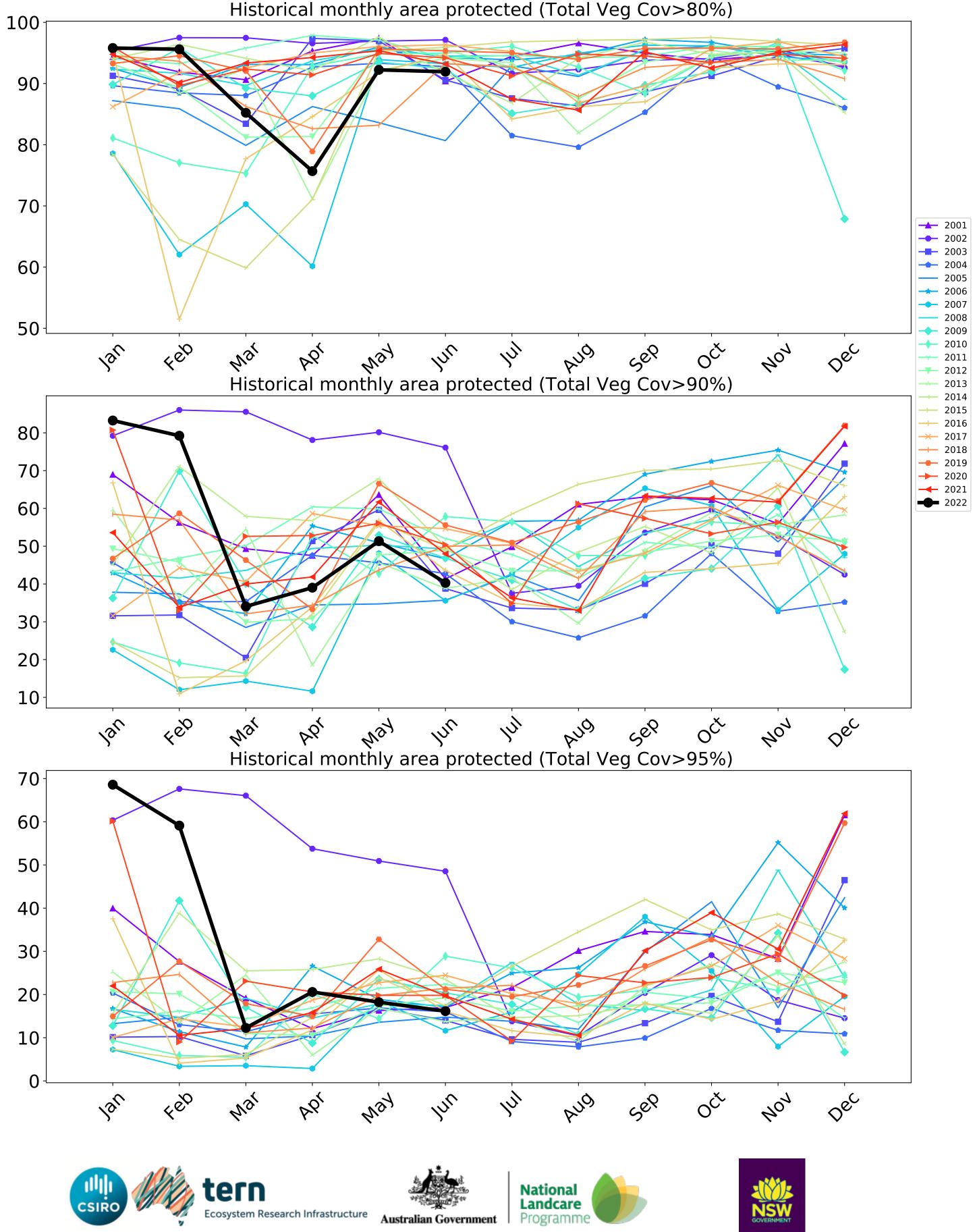
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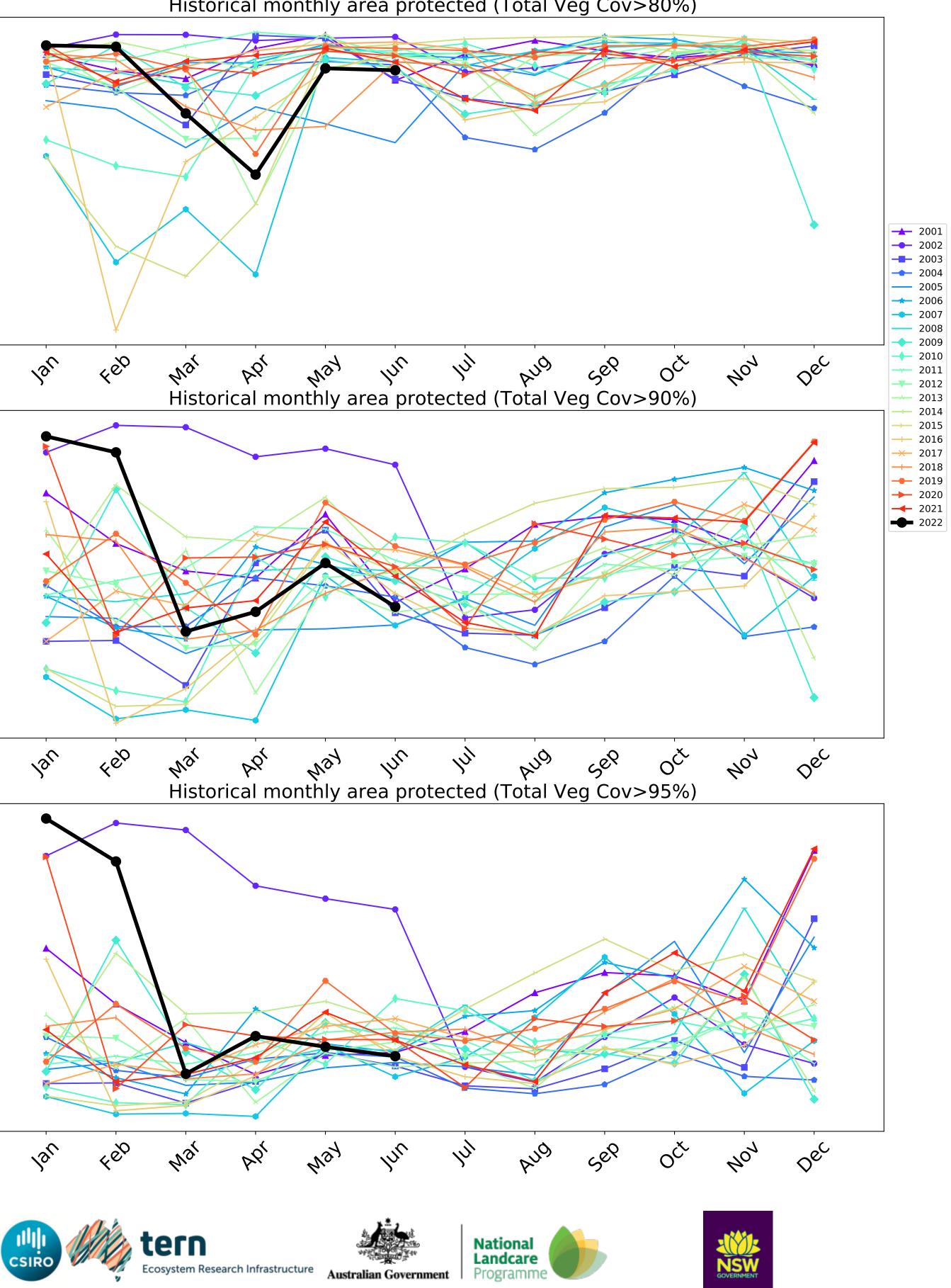




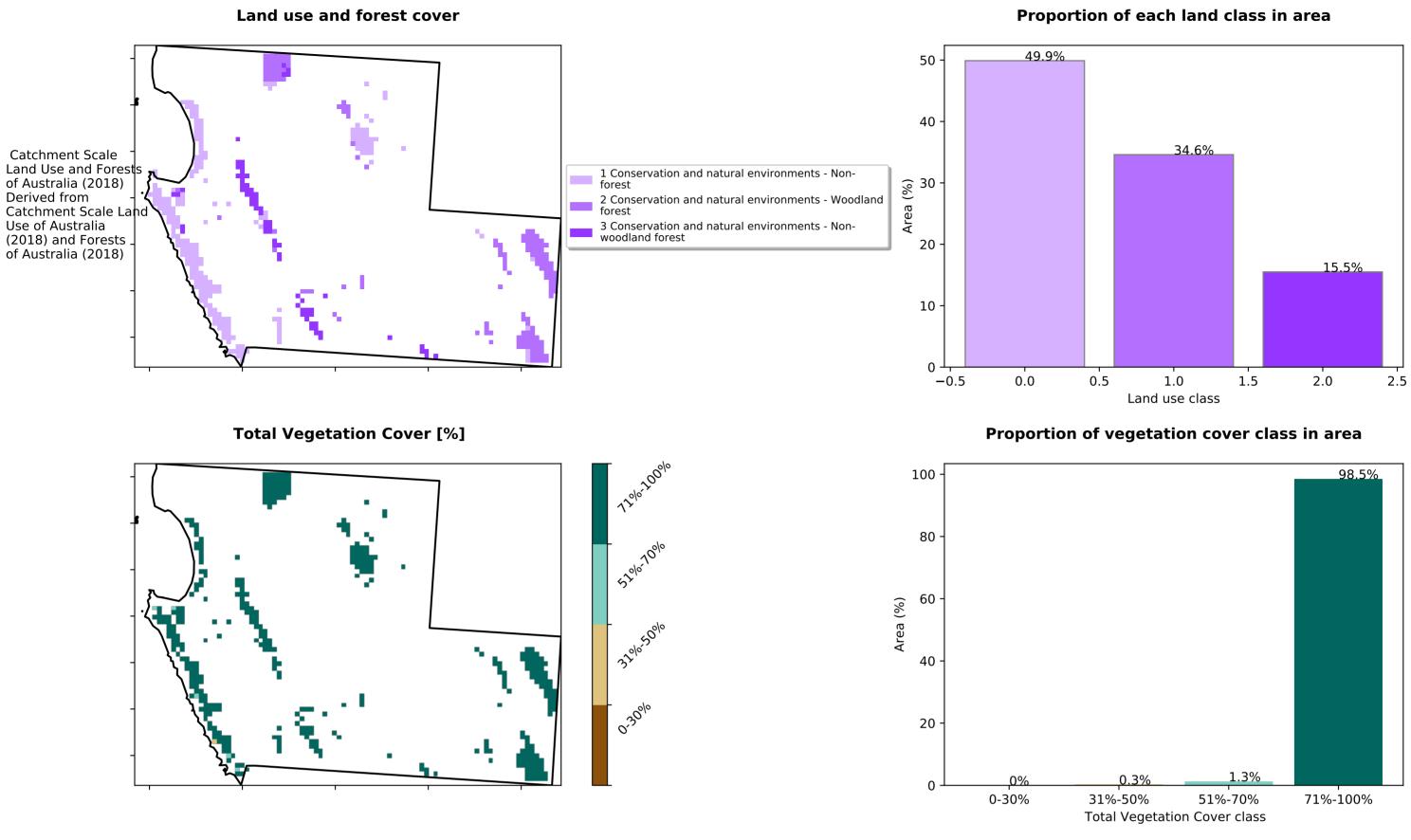




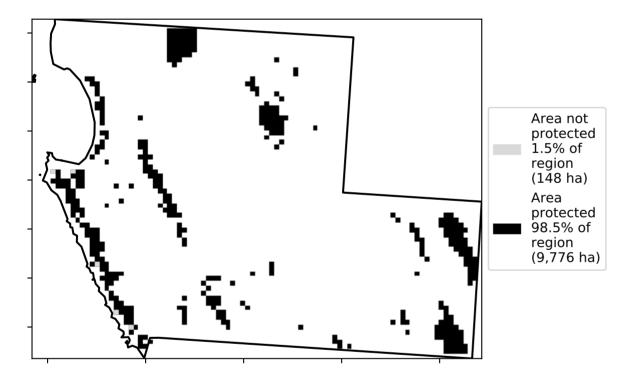




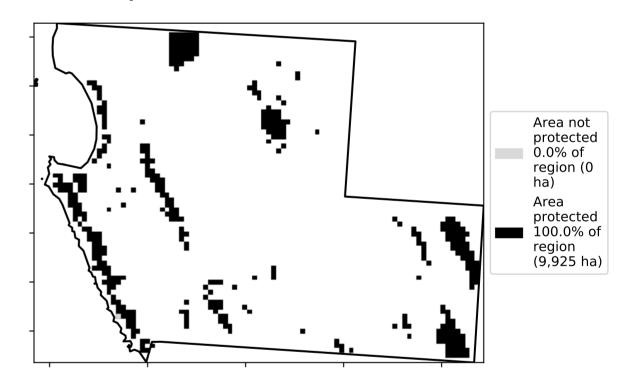
#### **Conservation and natural environments**



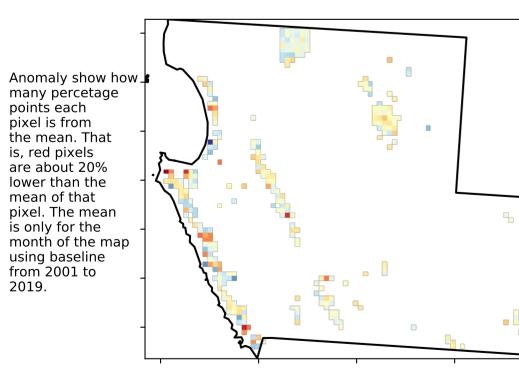
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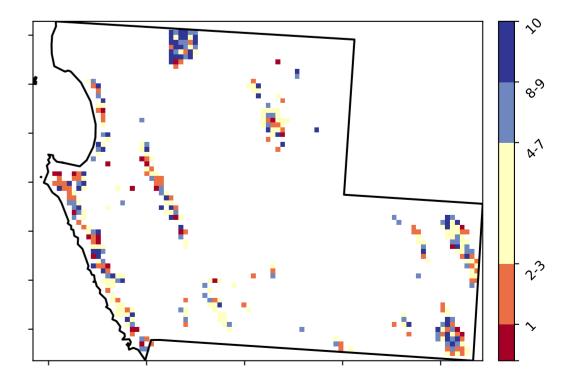
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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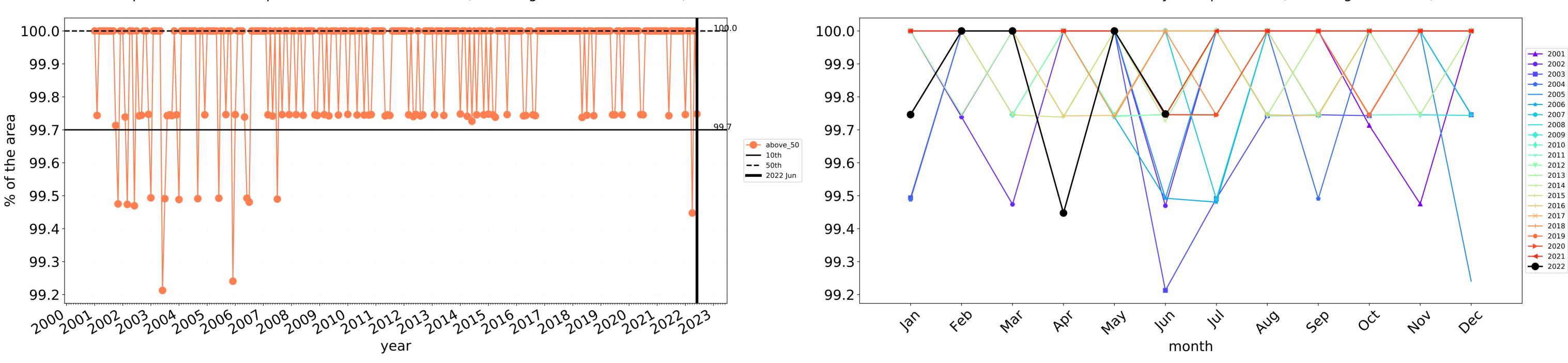
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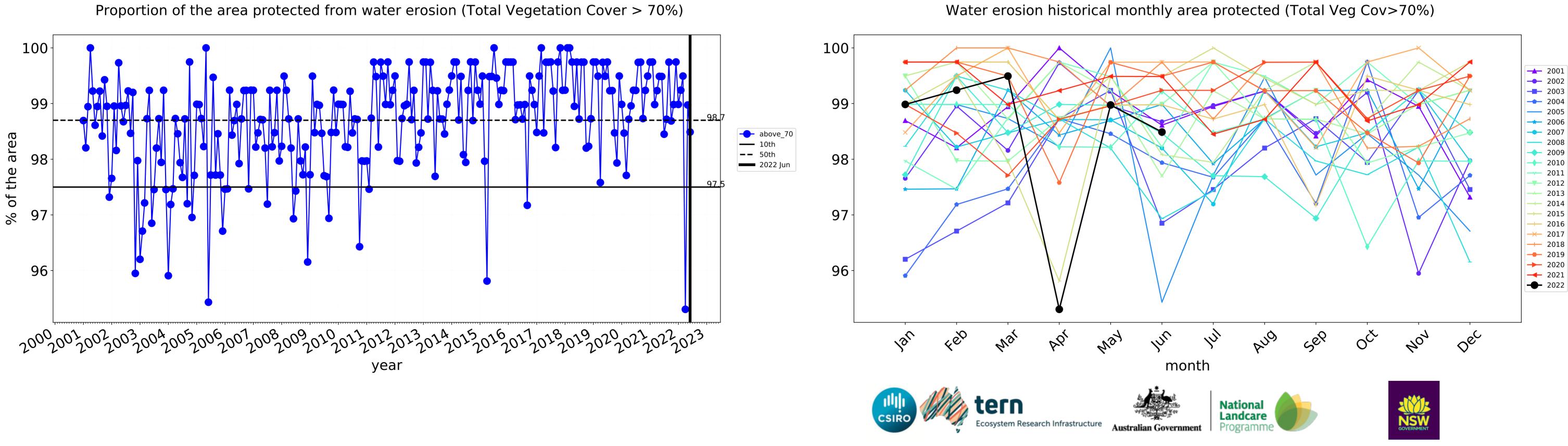
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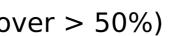
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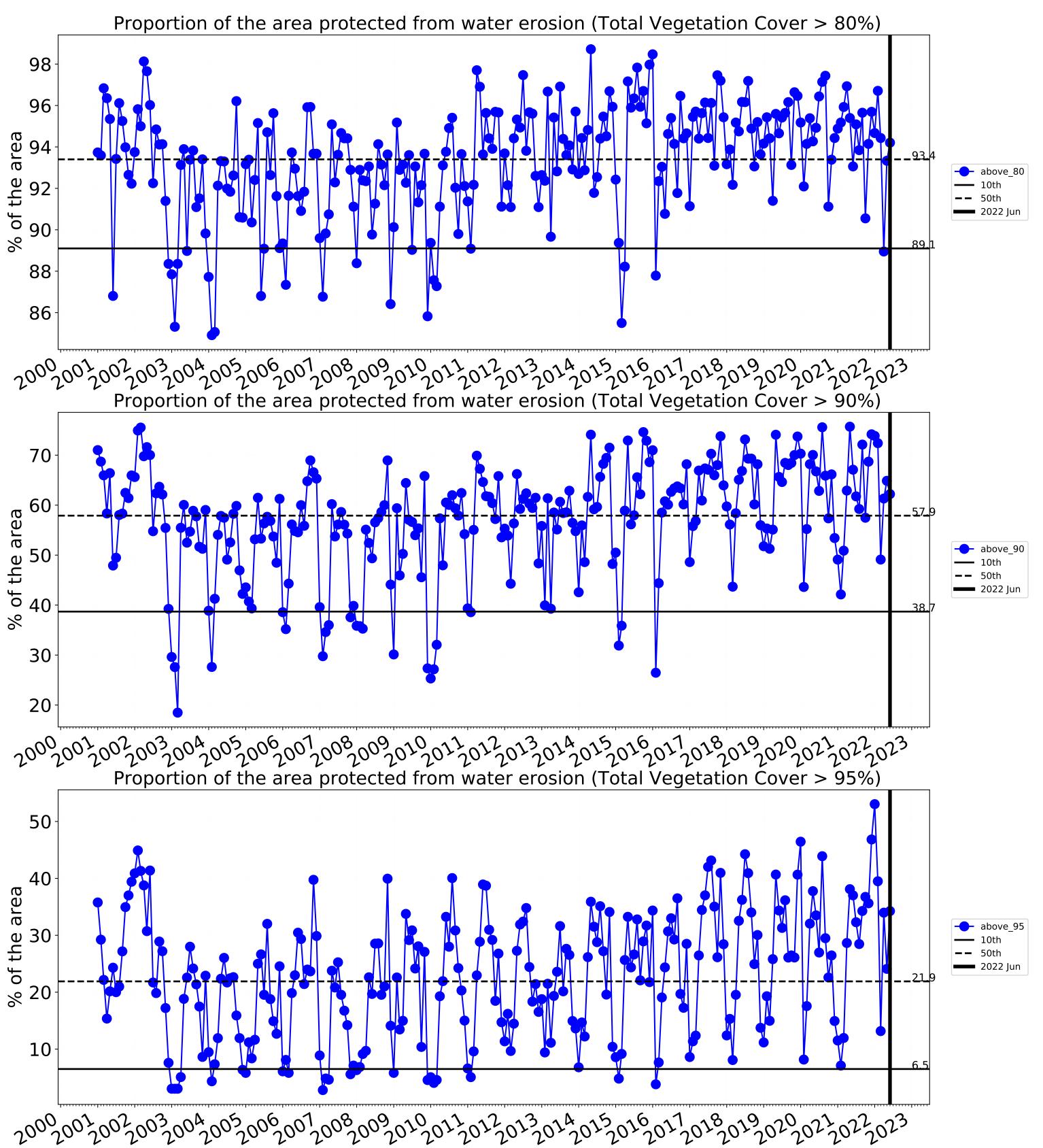


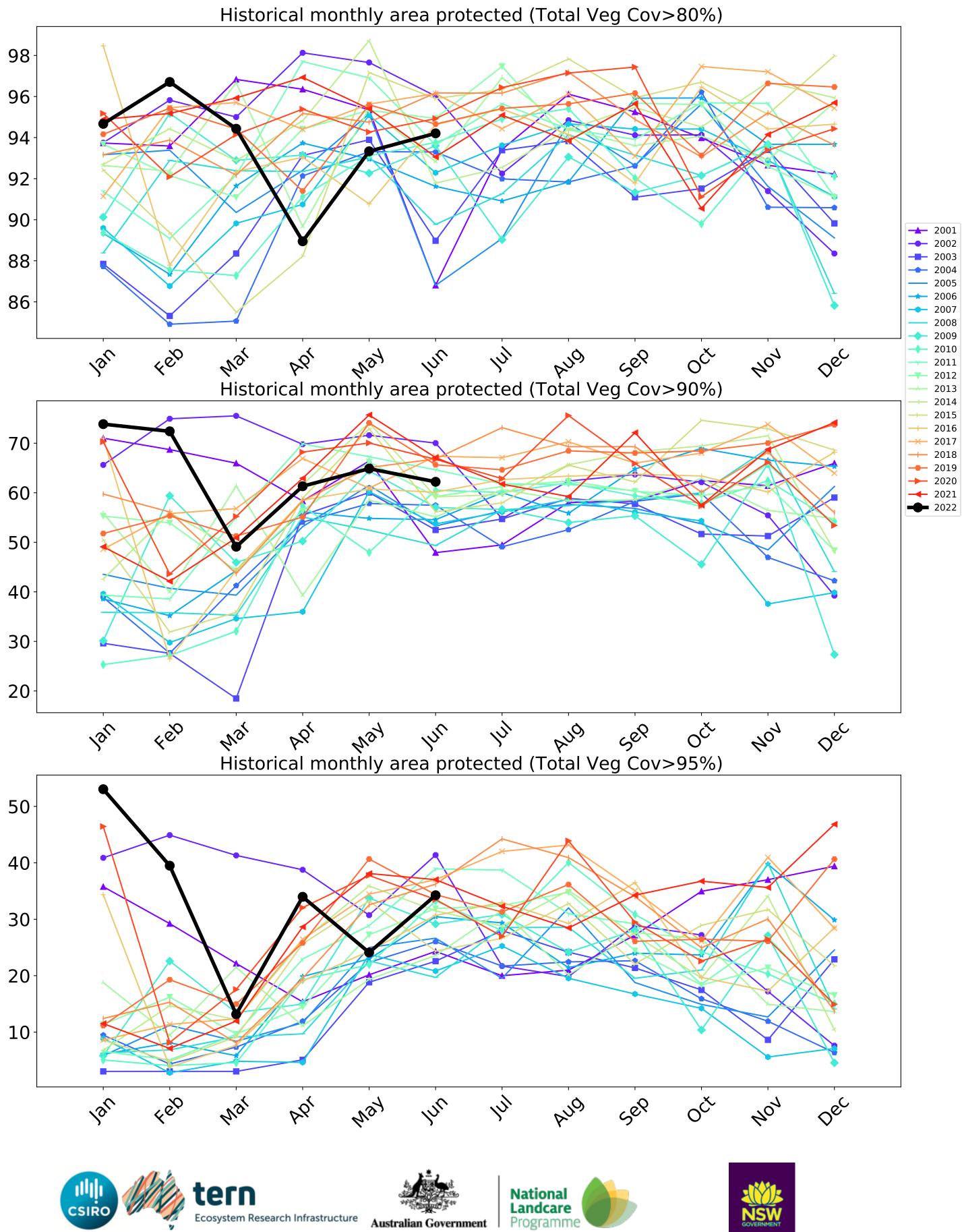
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)





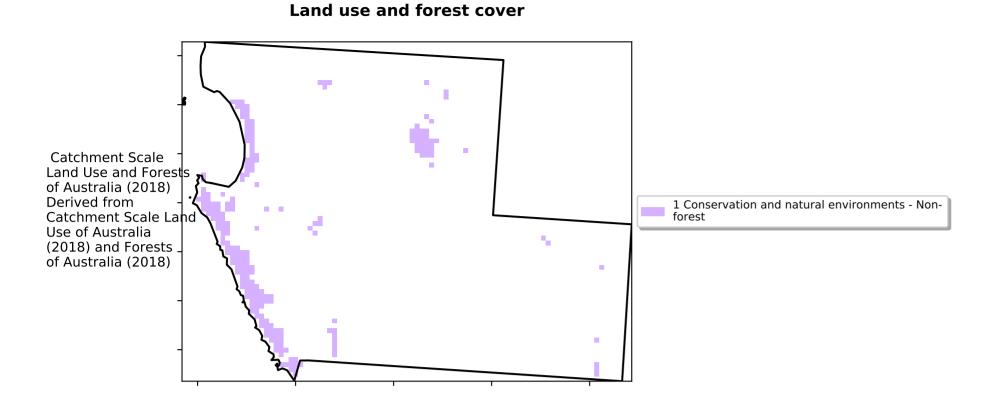
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)







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



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52%70%

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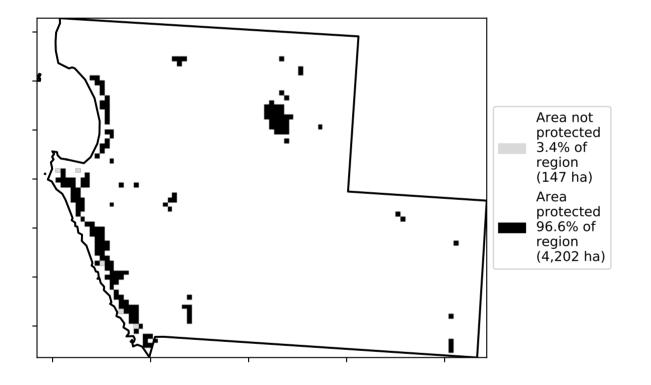
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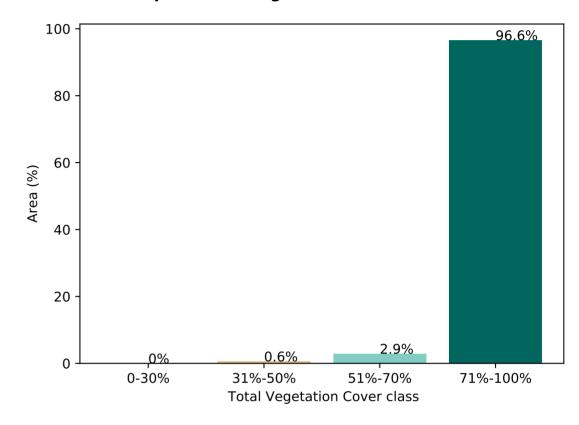
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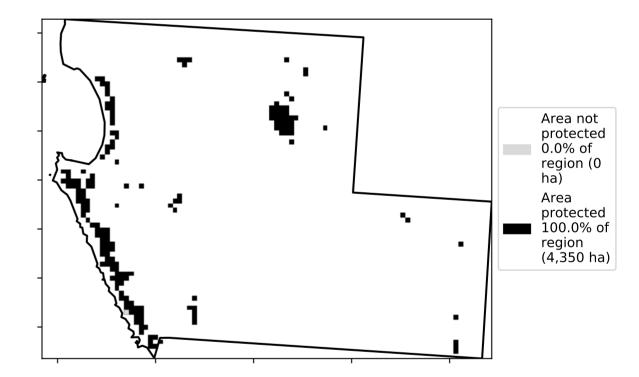
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

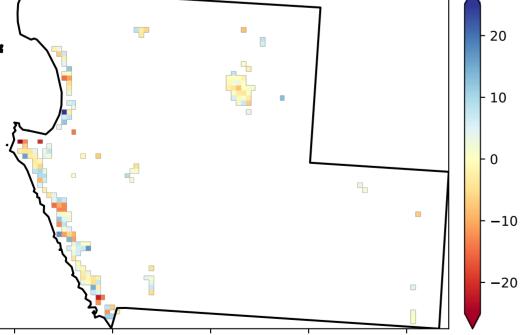


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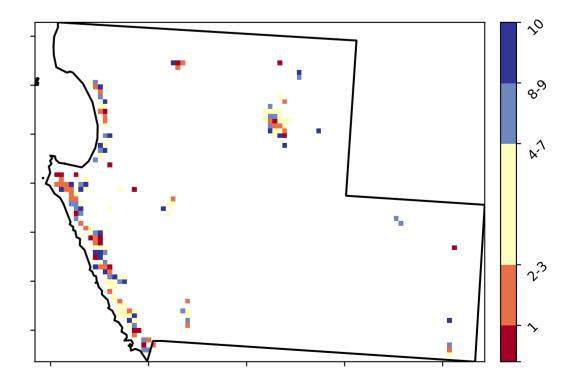


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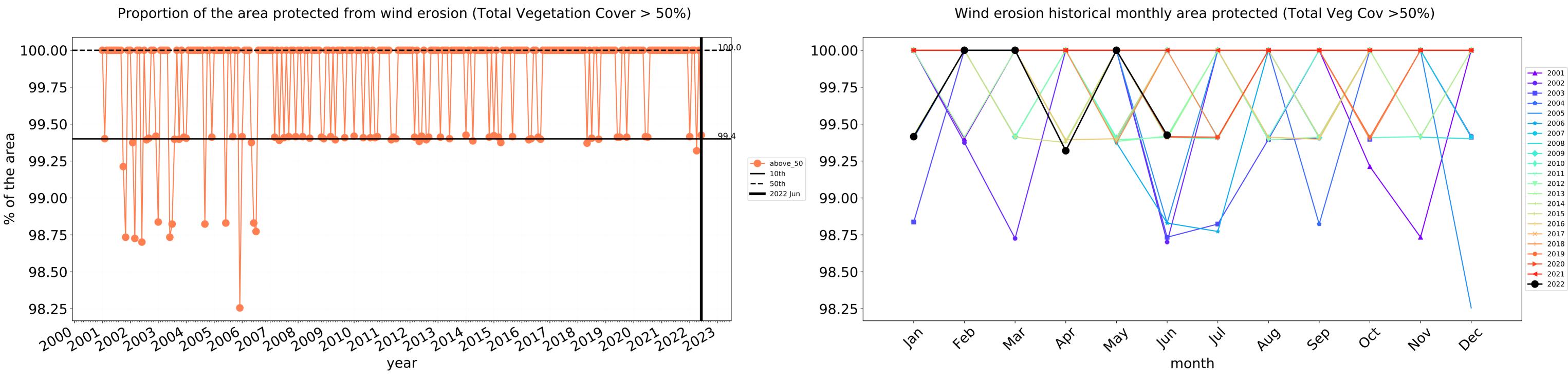
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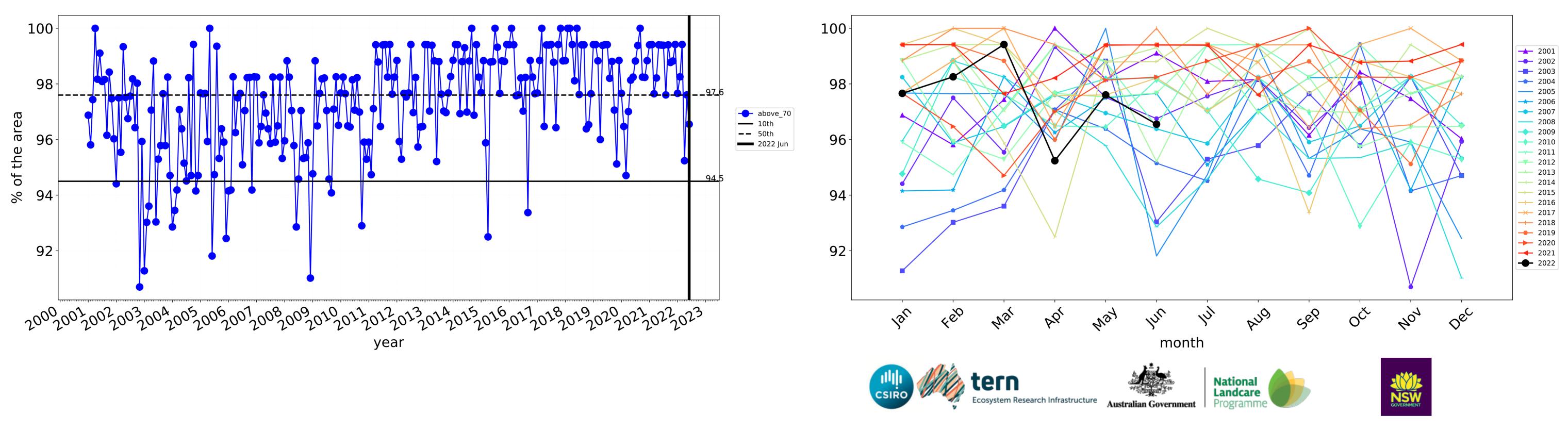


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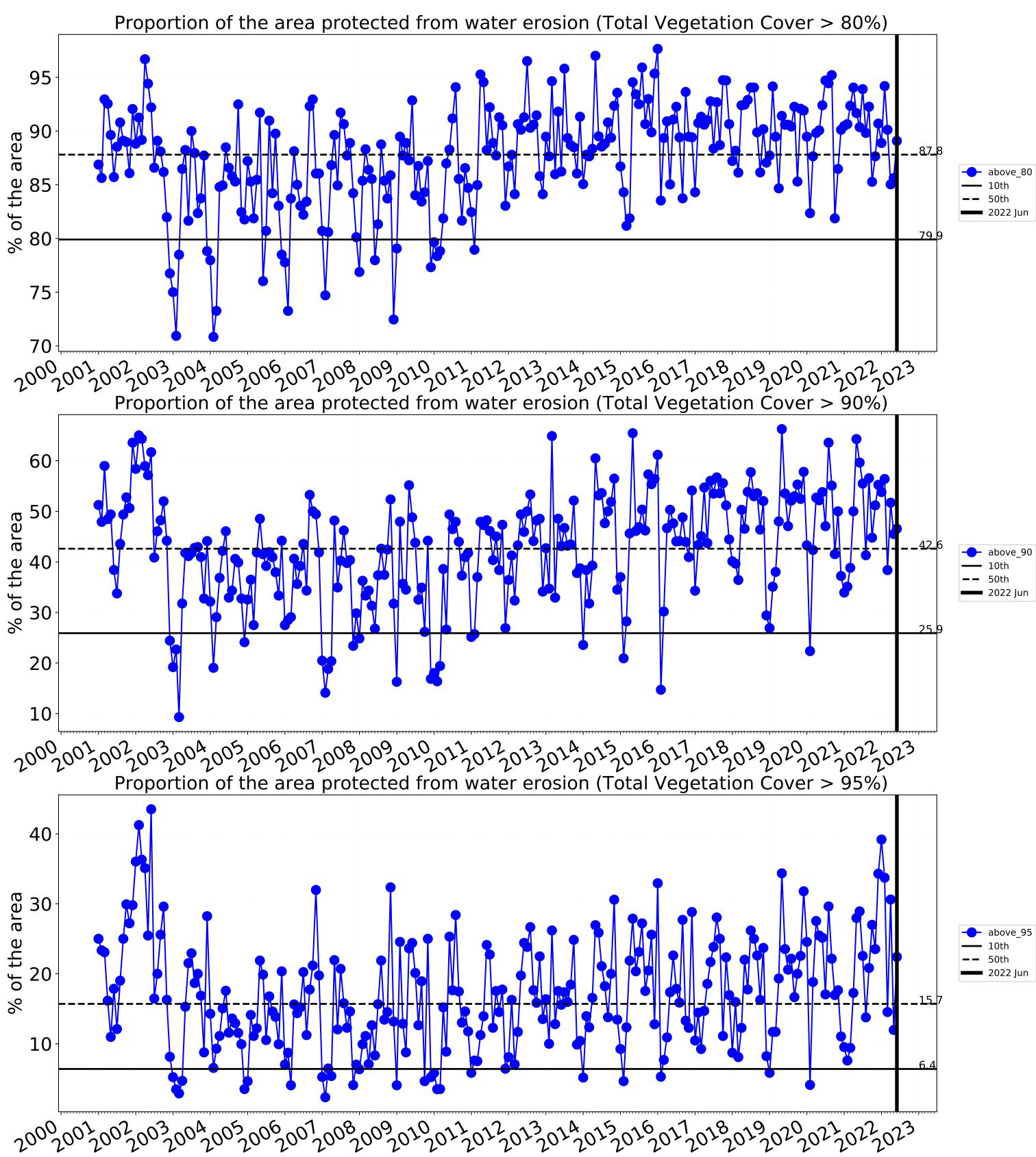


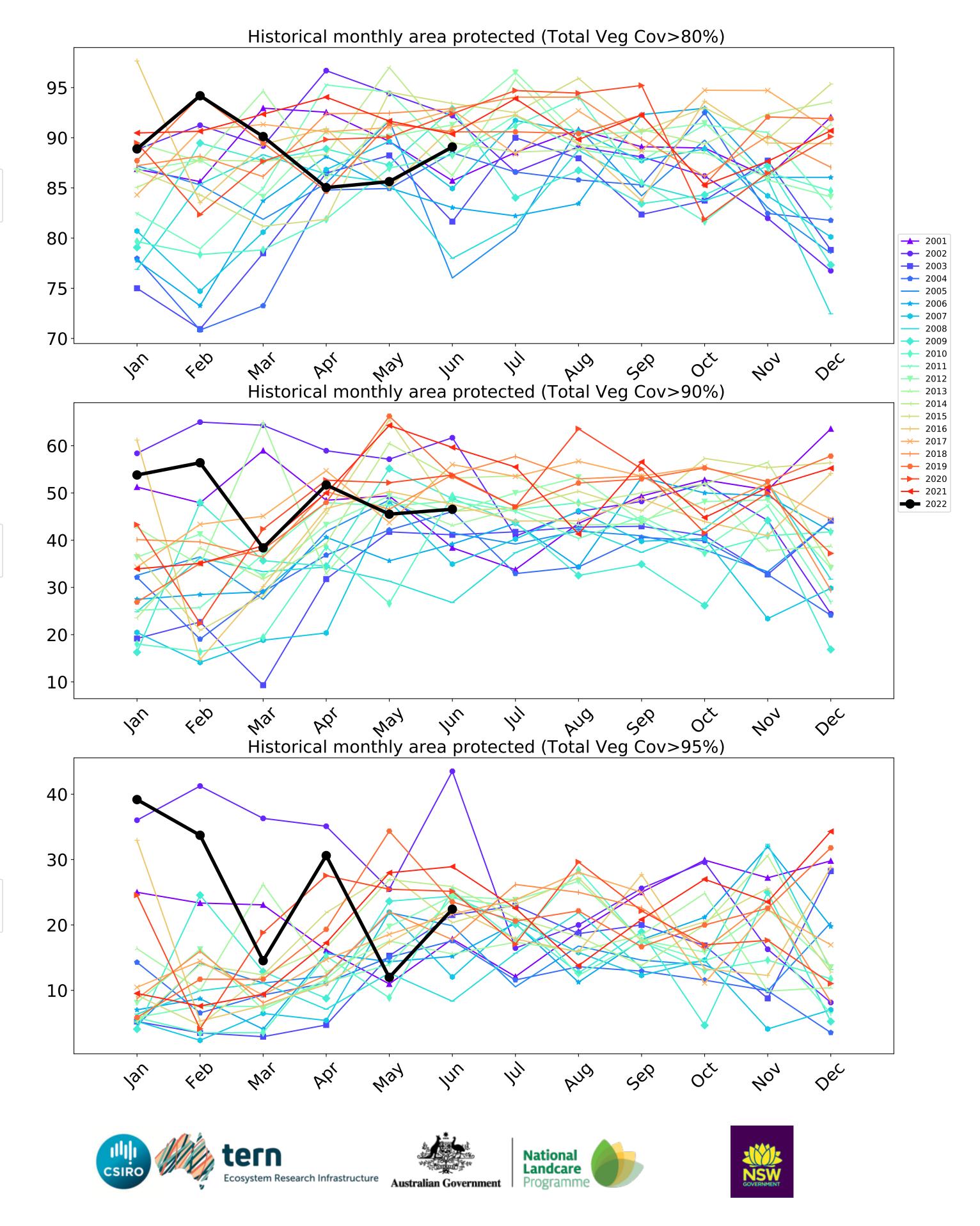




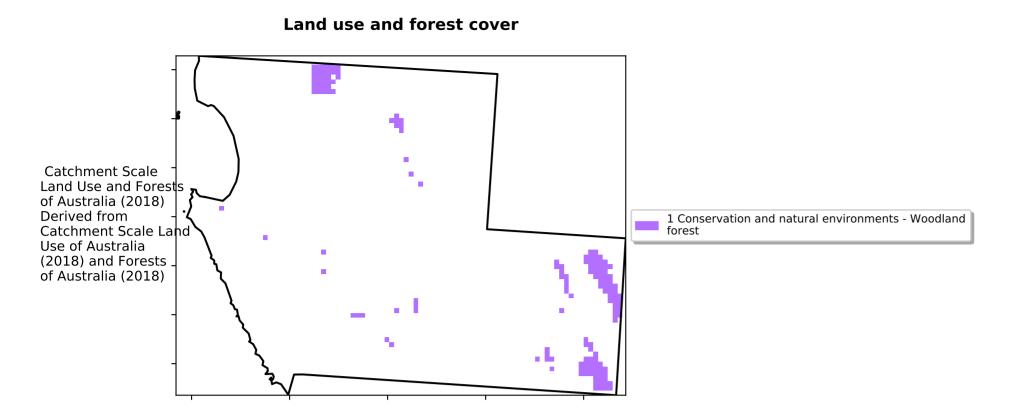


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

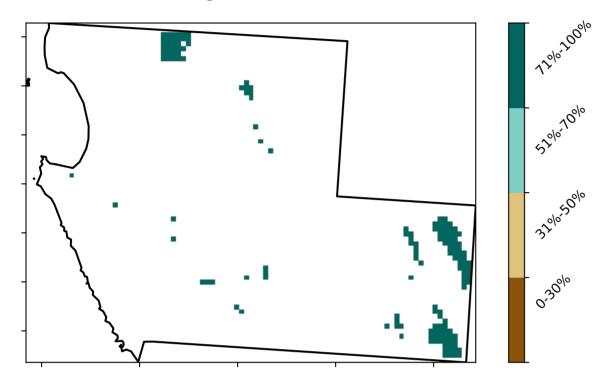




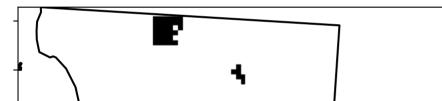
### **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest**



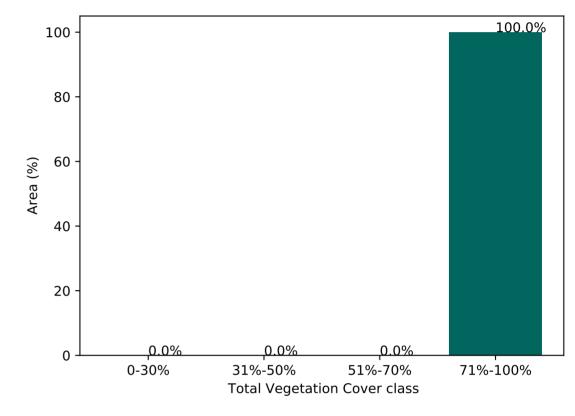
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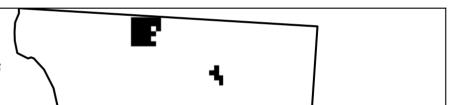
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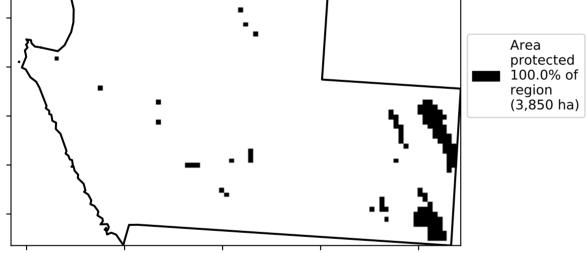


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

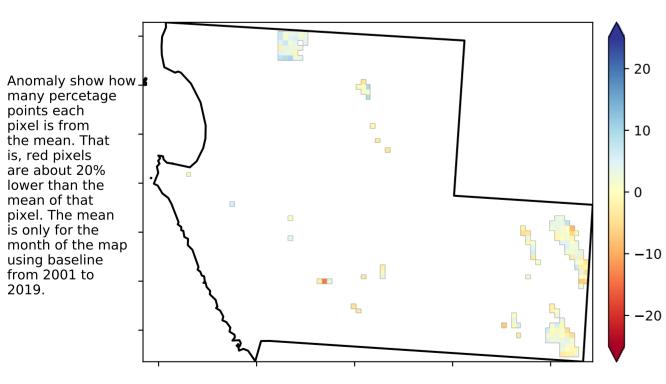


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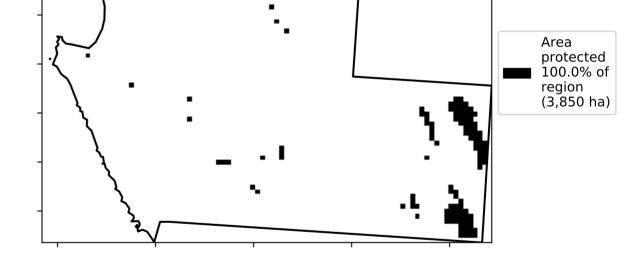




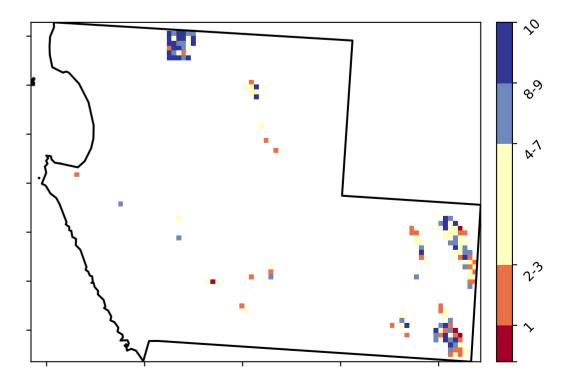
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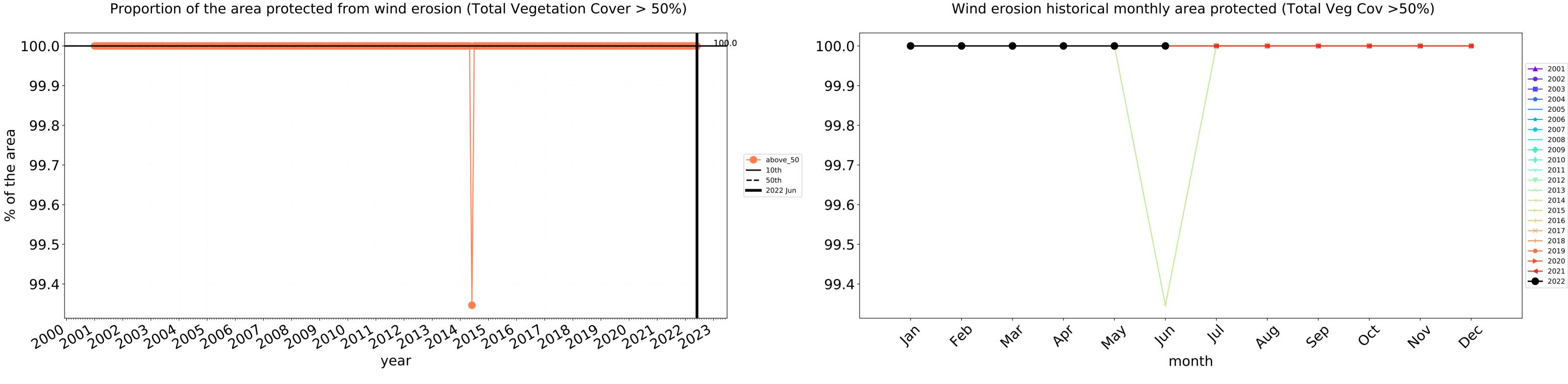


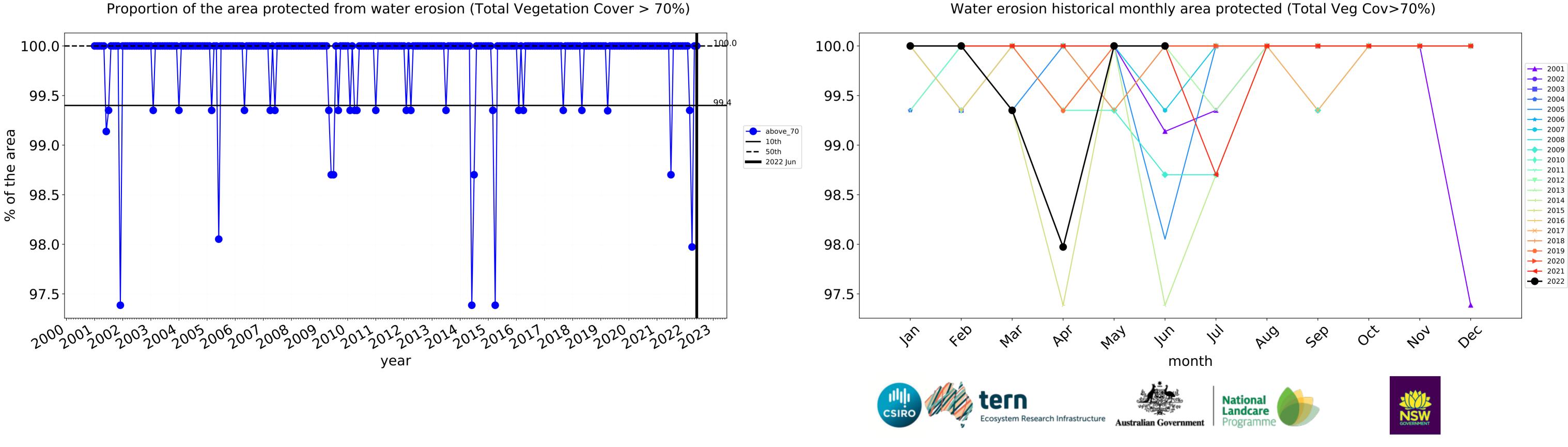
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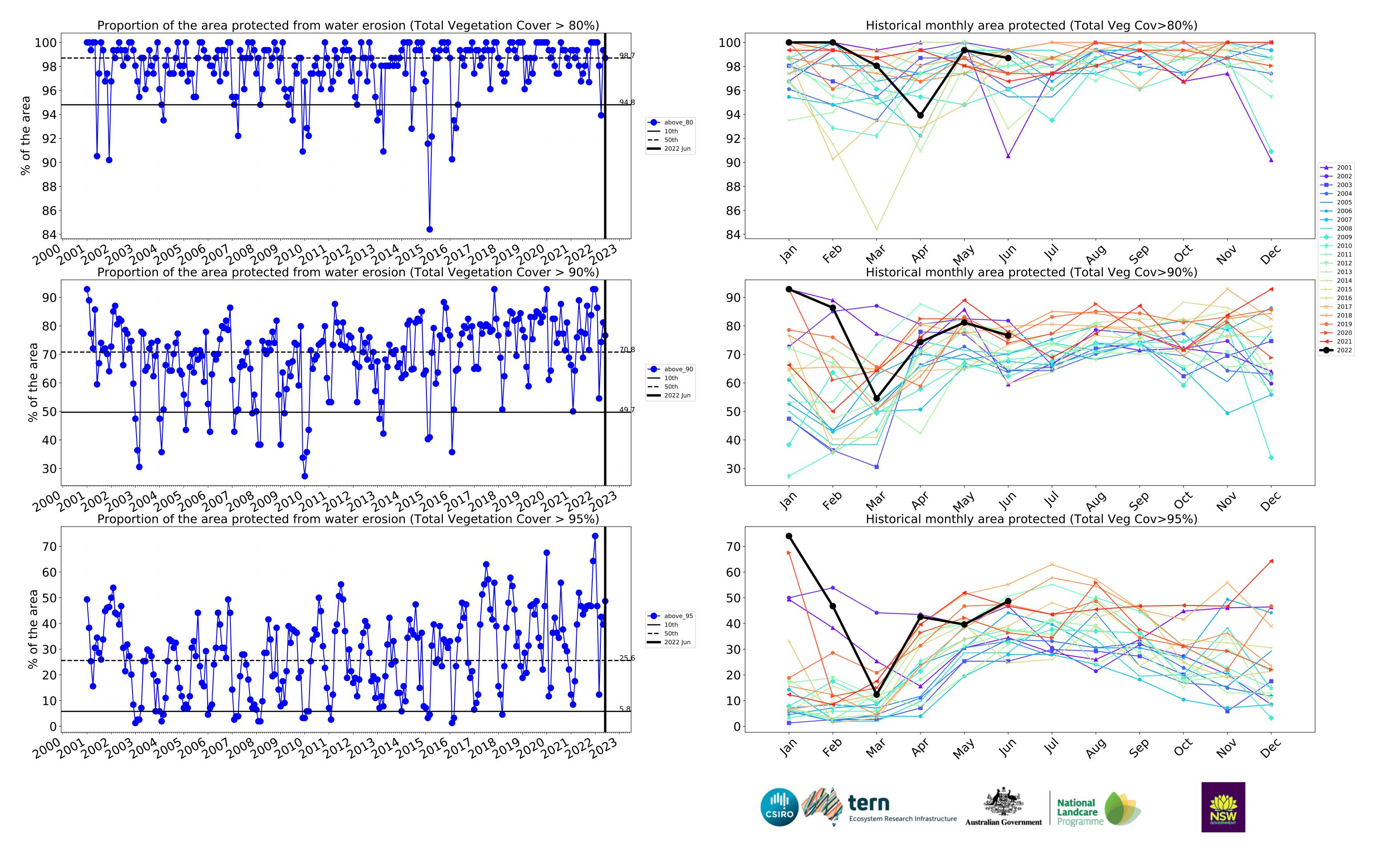




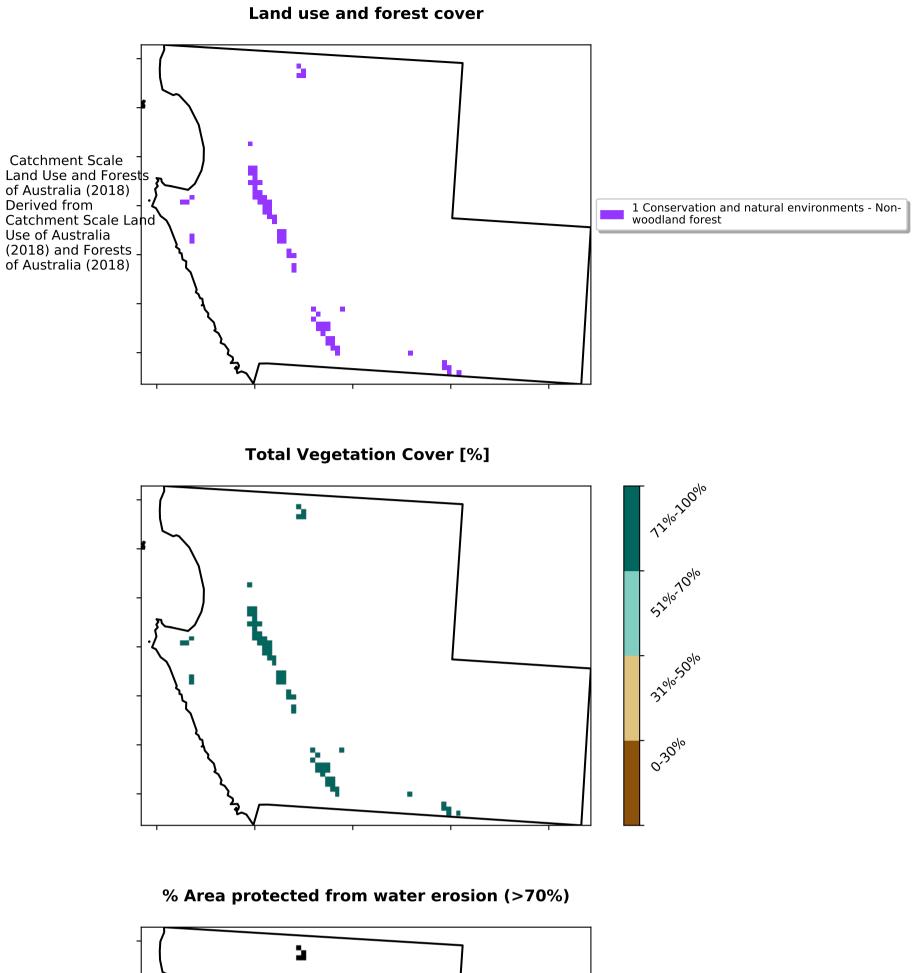
#### **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries**







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



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

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Total Vegetation Cover class

31%-50%

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51%-70%

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60

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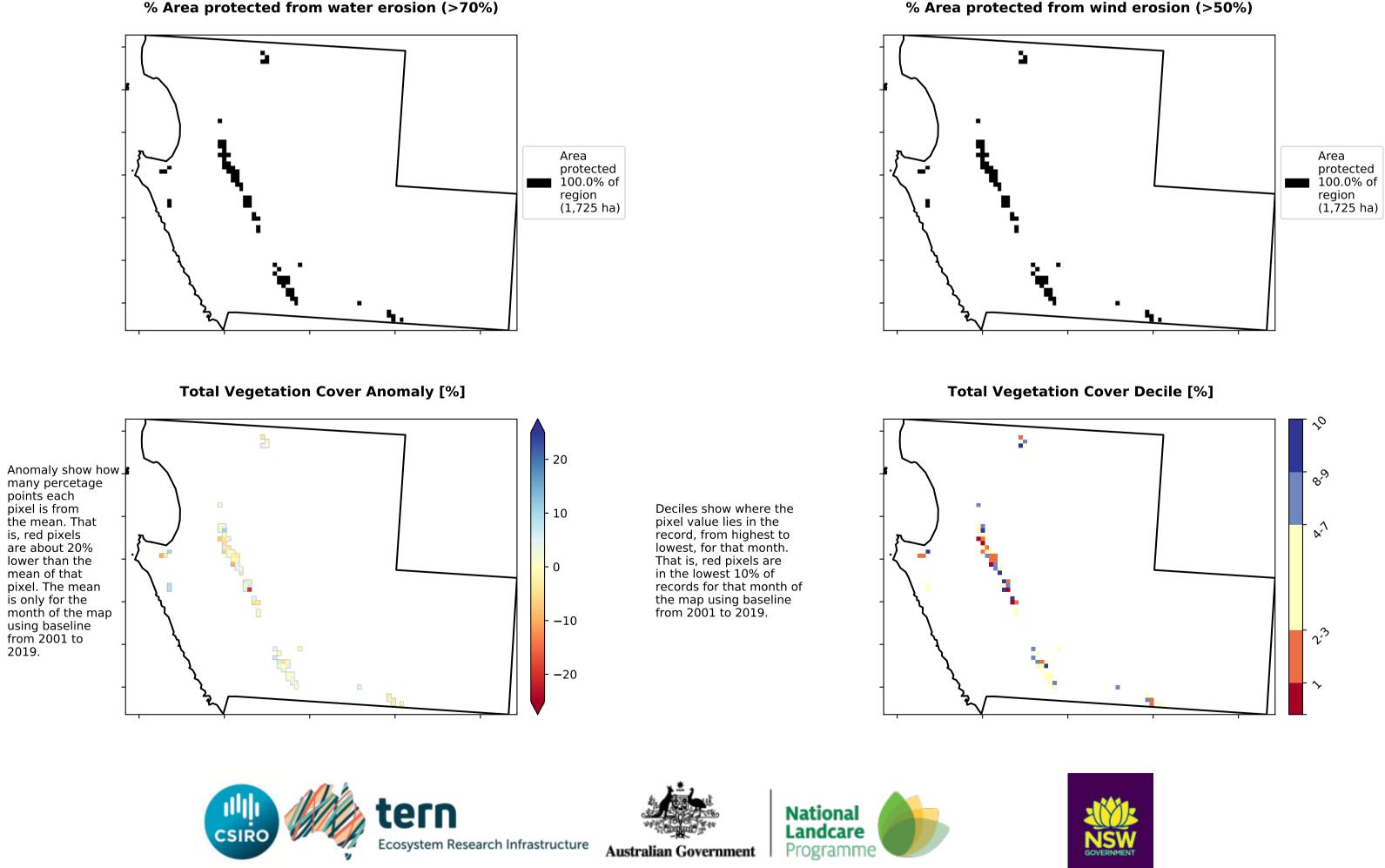
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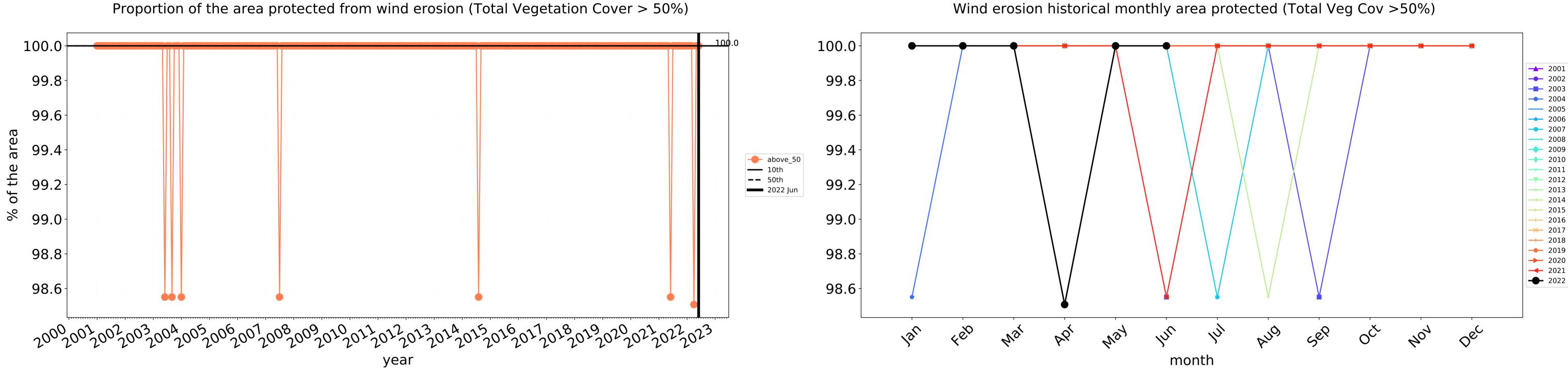
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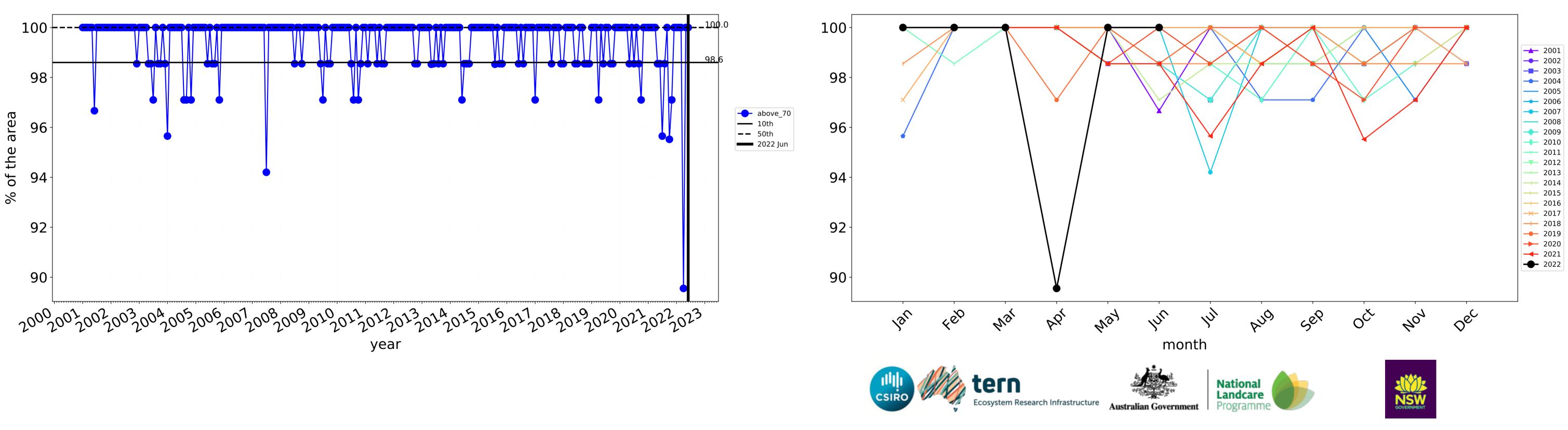
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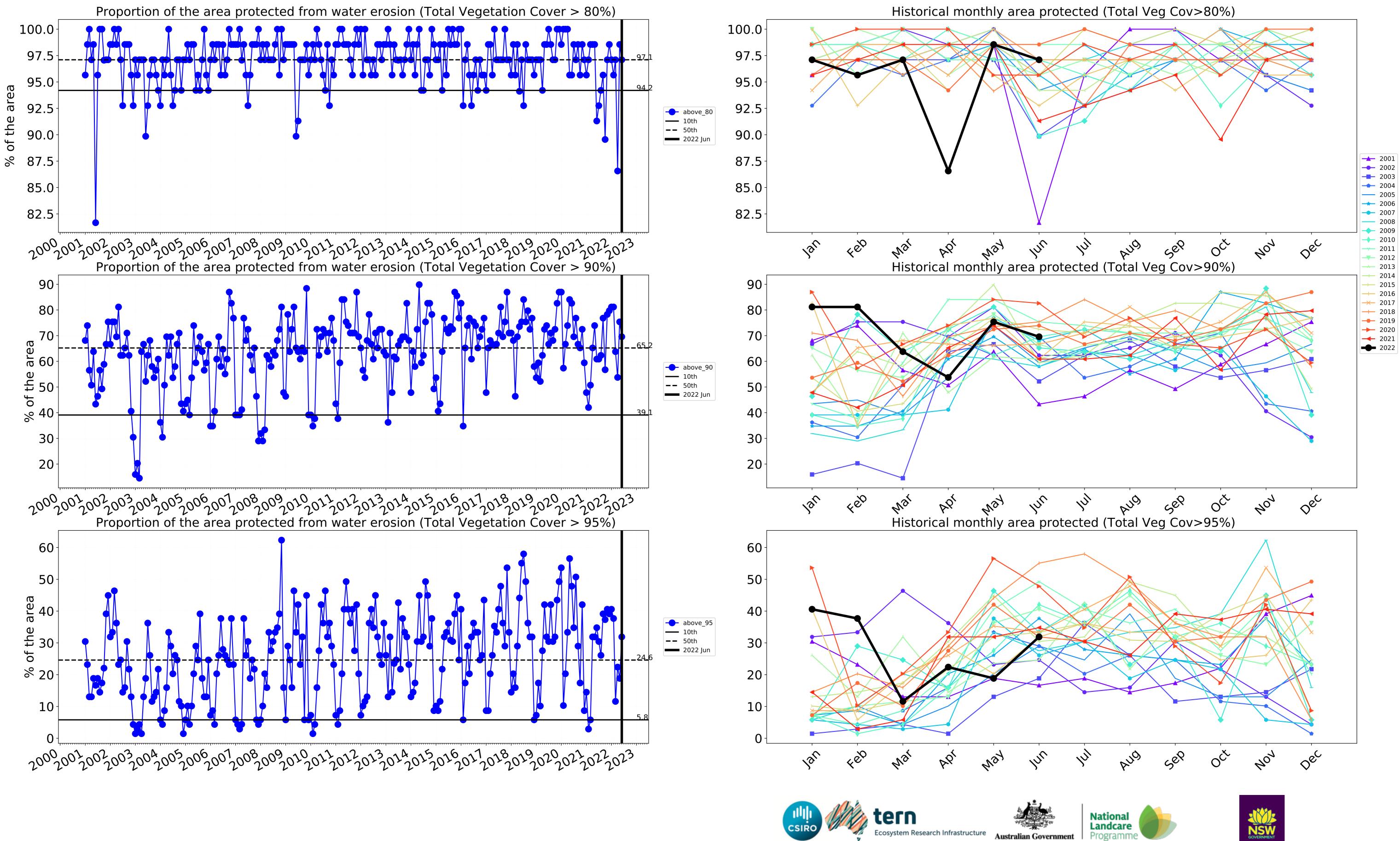


## **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries**









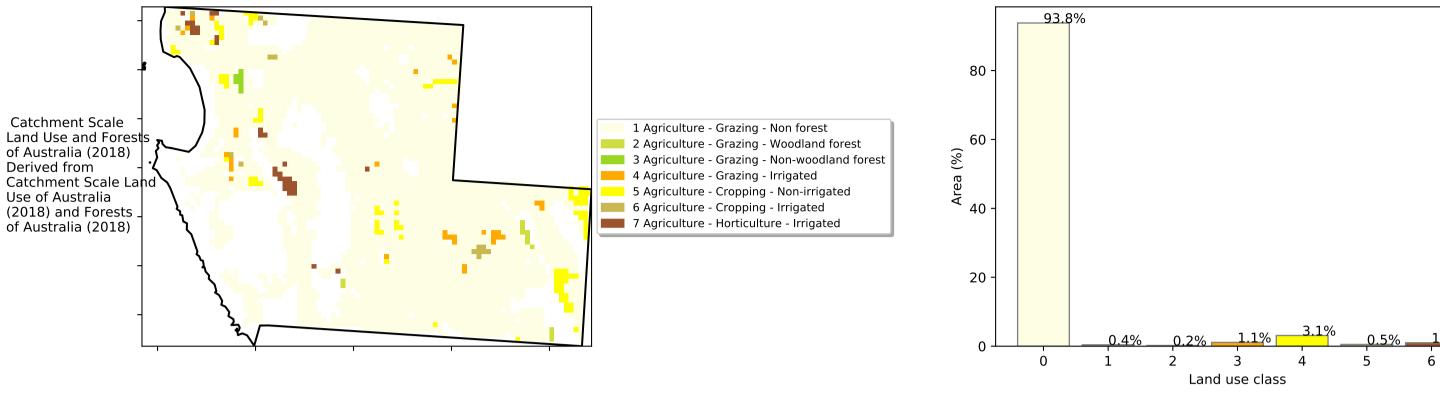
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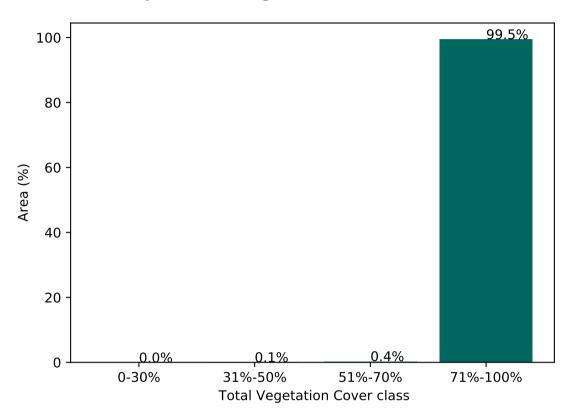
Land use and forest cover

Proportion of each land class in area



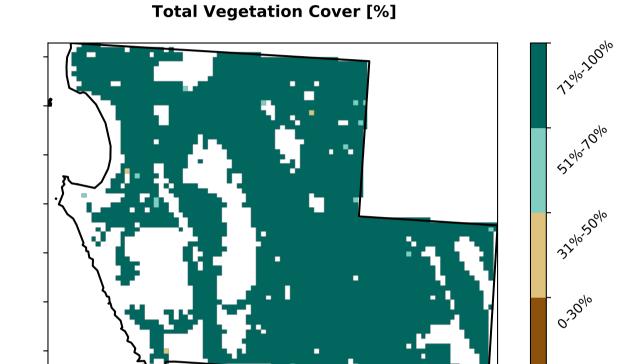
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





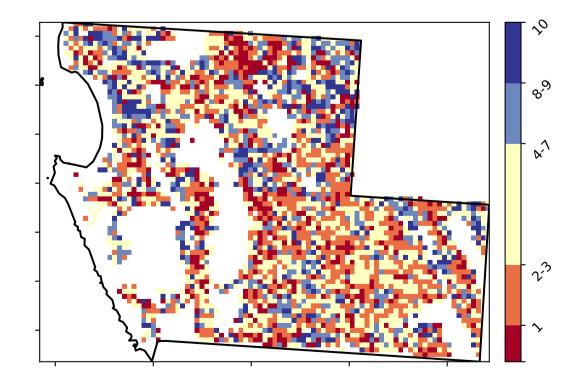
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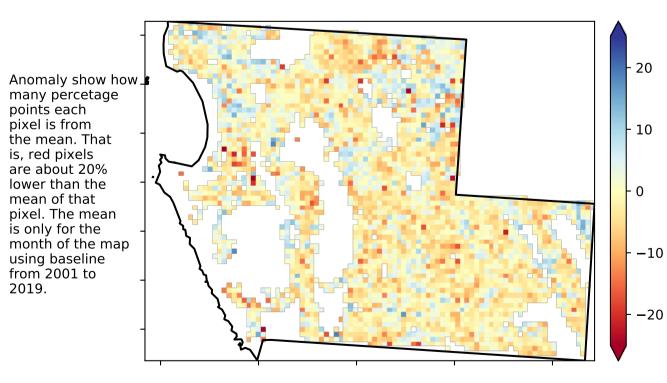


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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

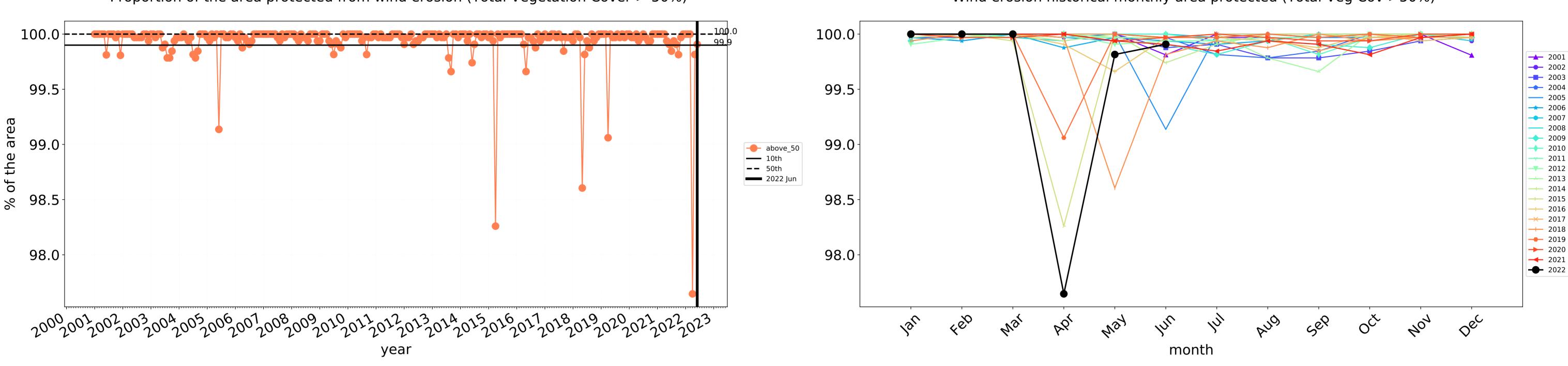


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



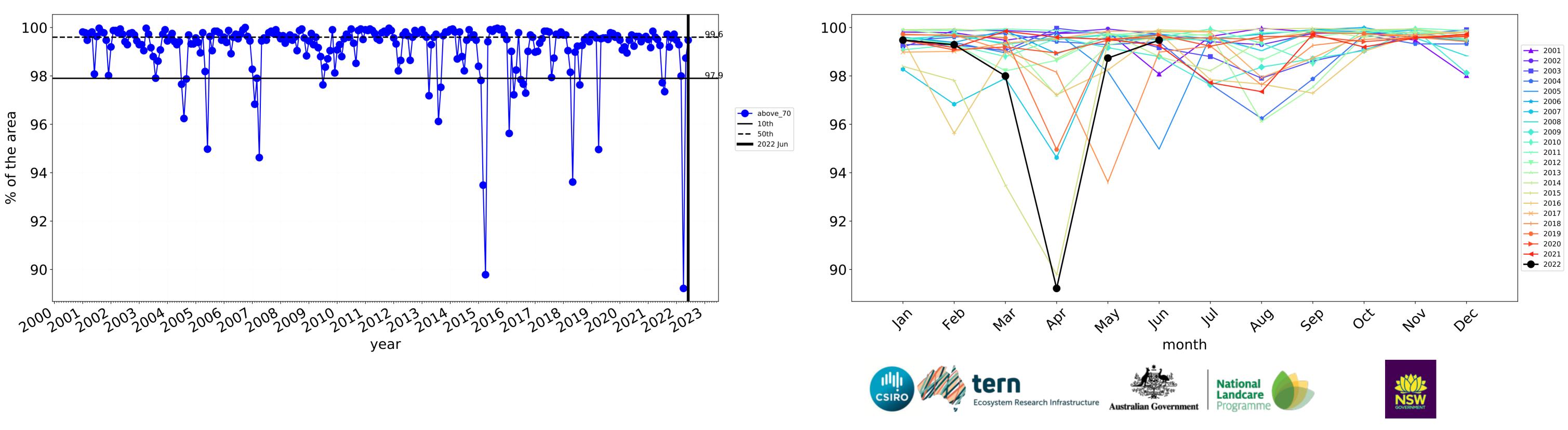
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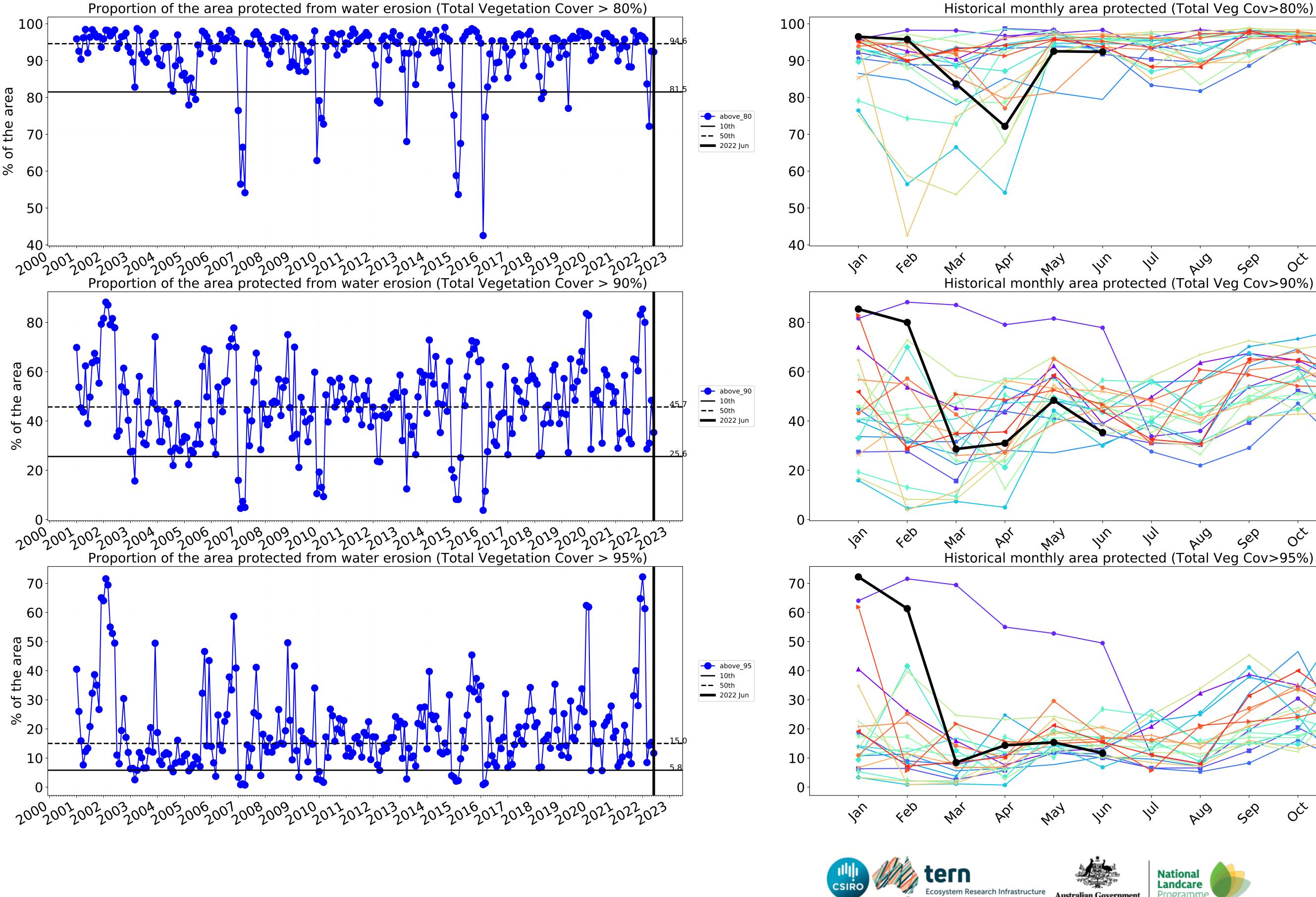
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



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

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

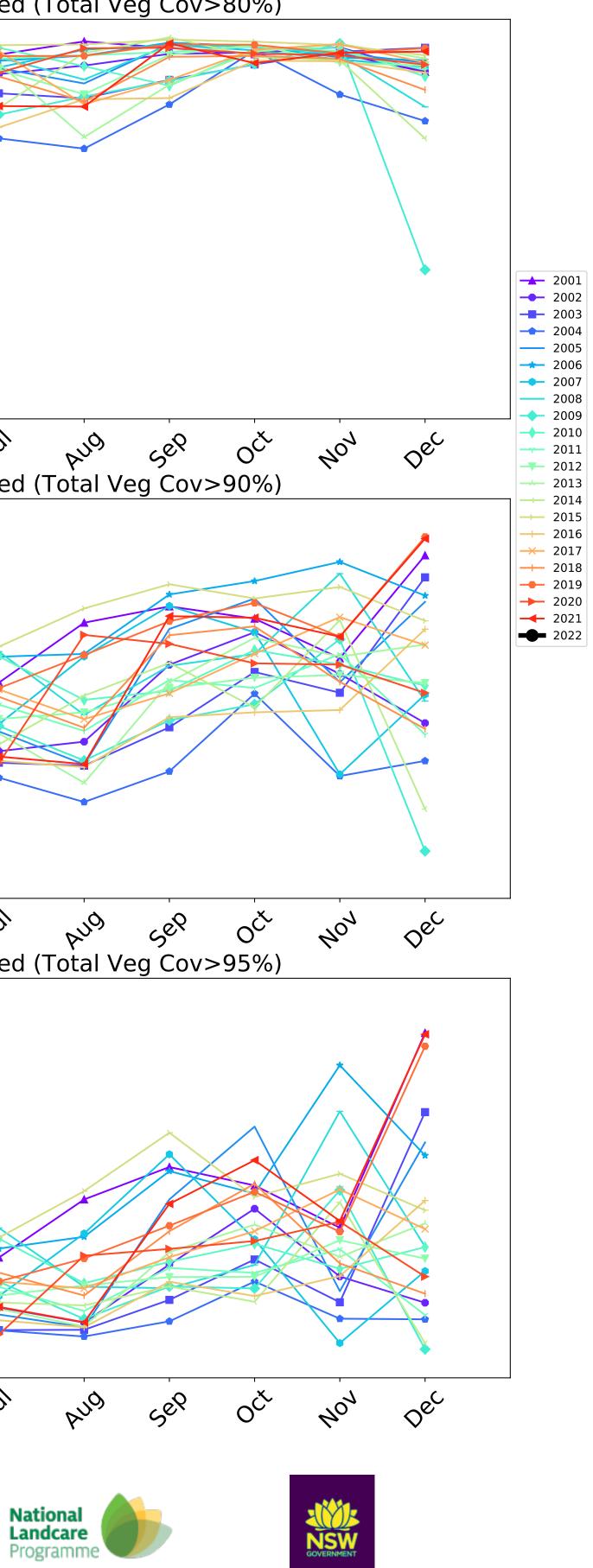


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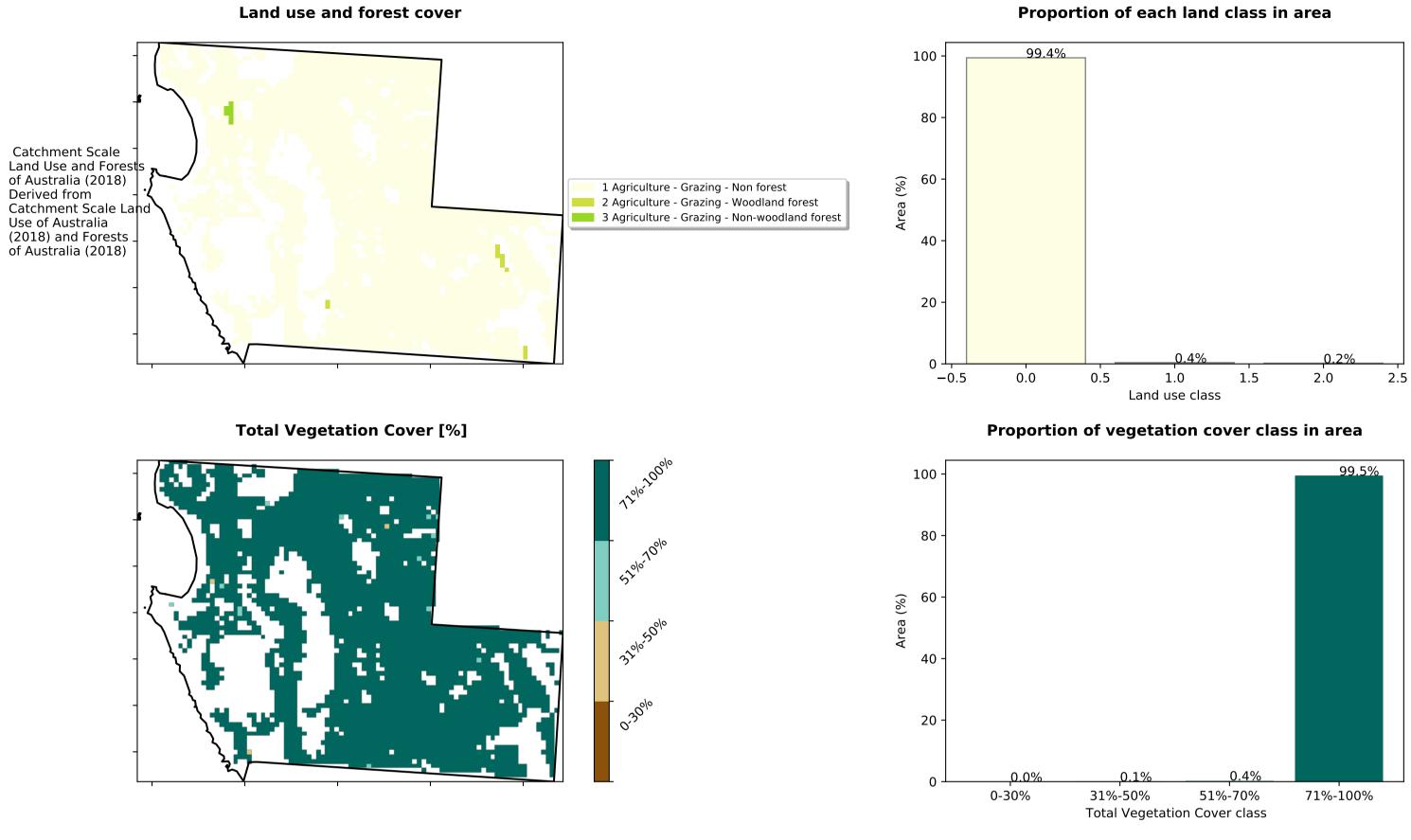
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Historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>80%)



## Grazing



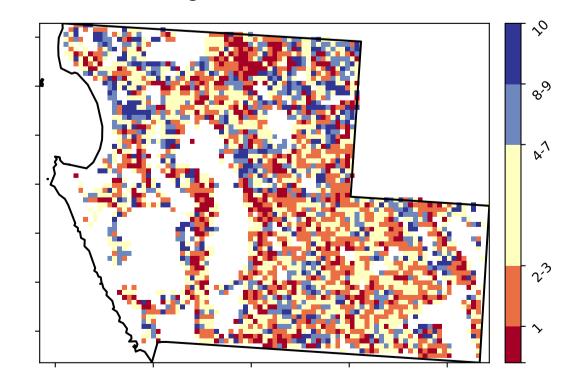
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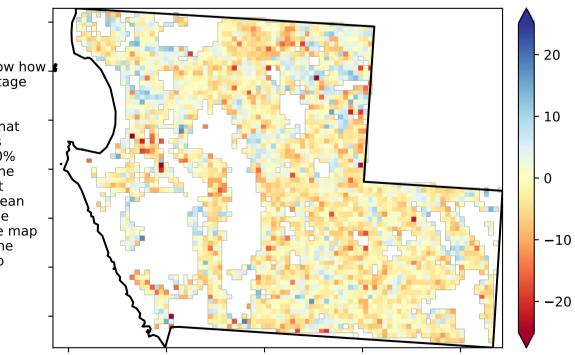
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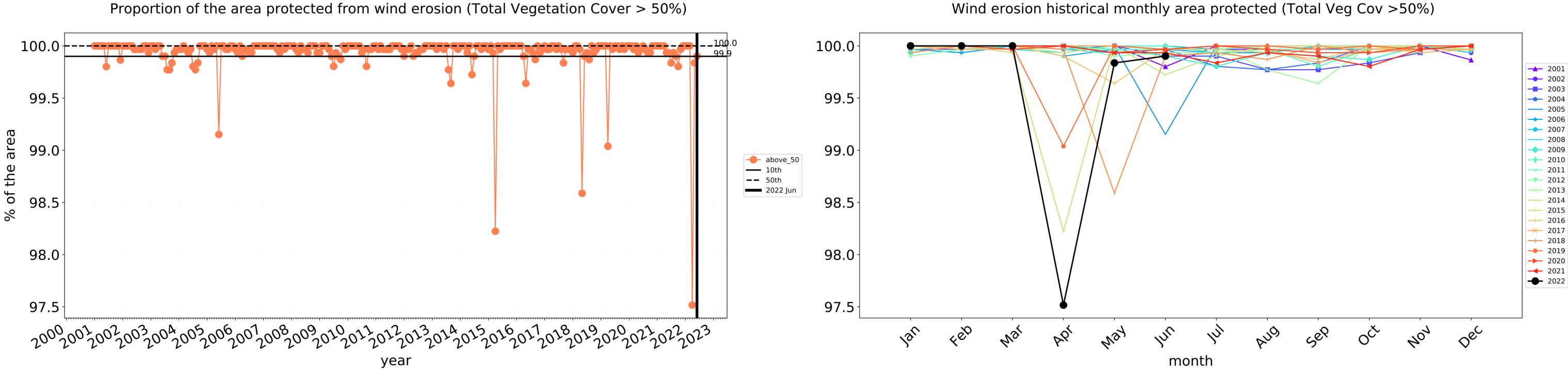
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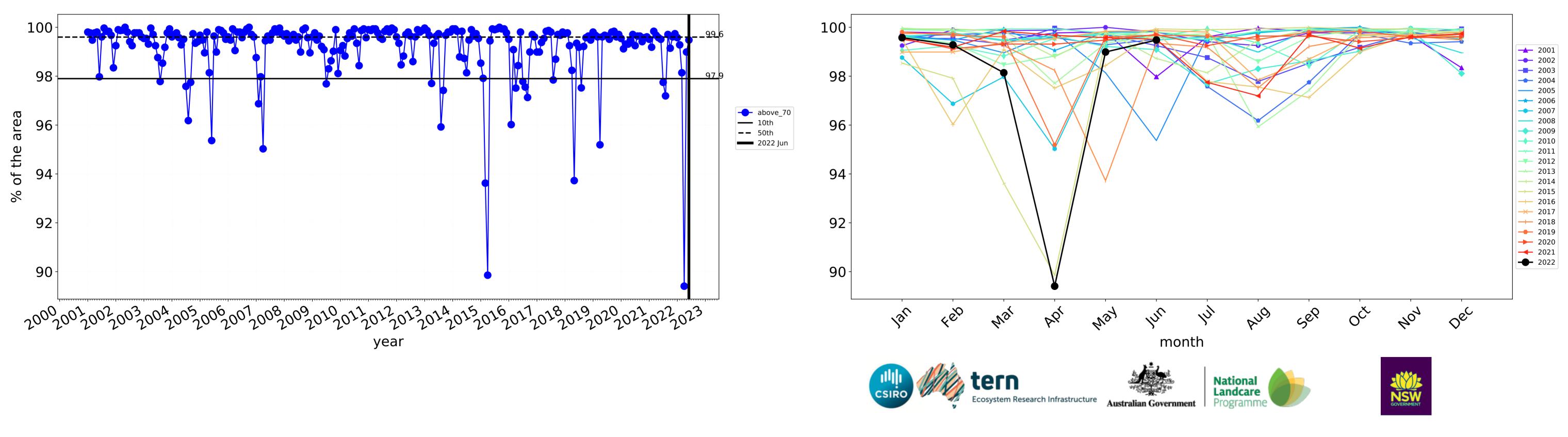


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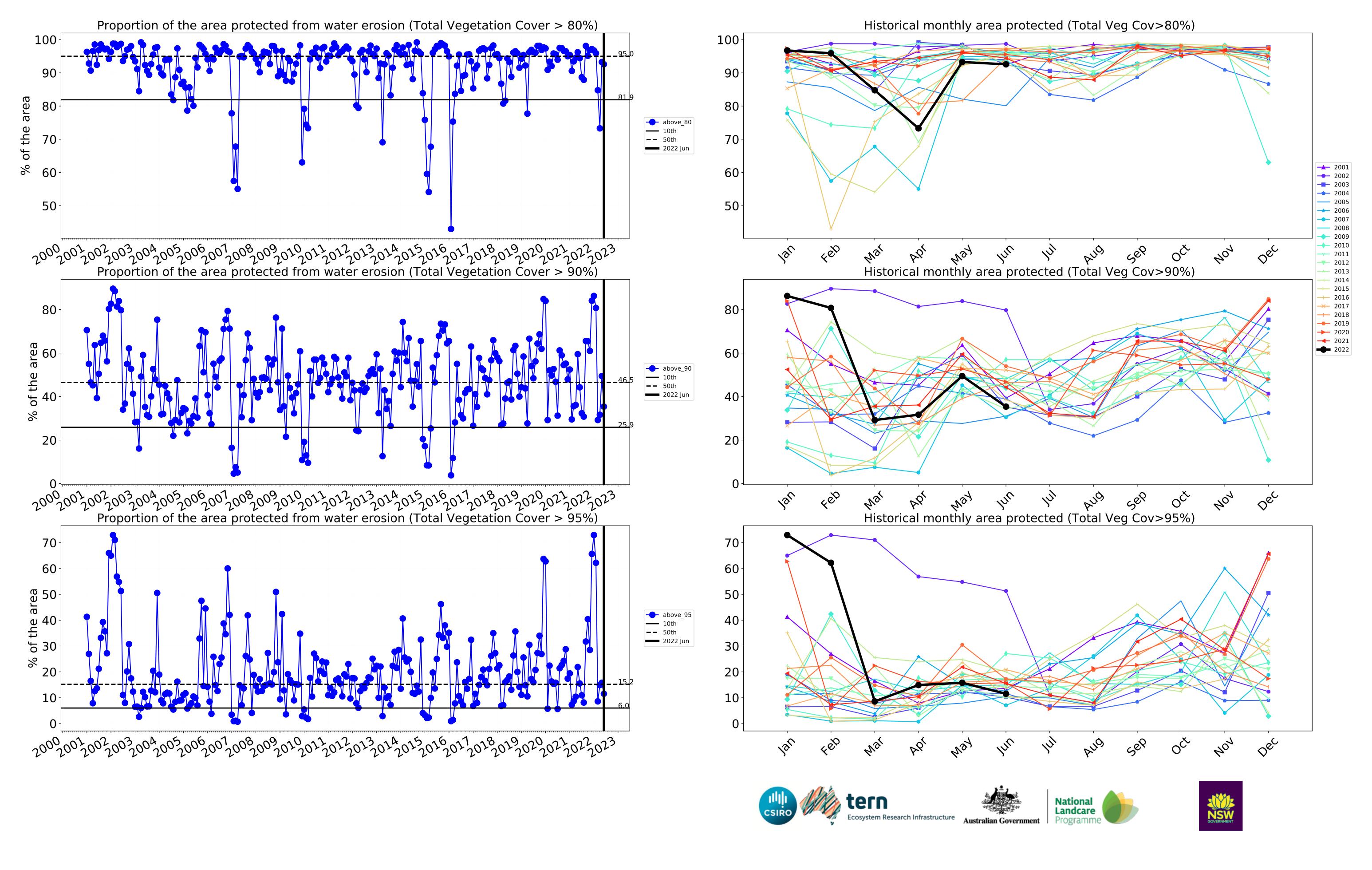


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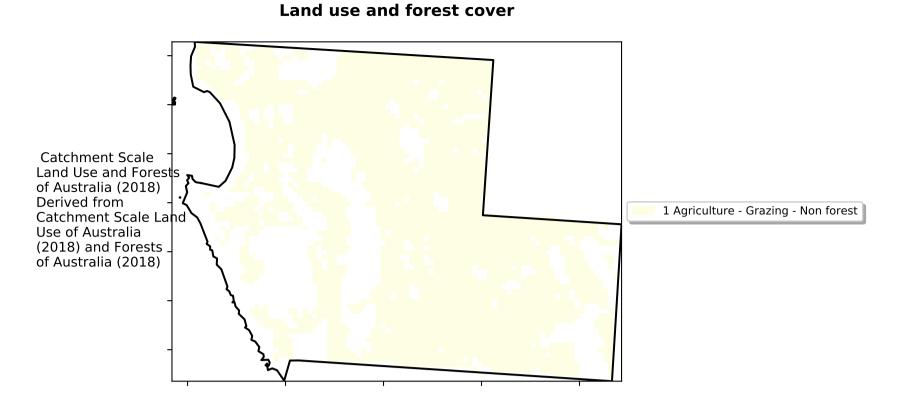








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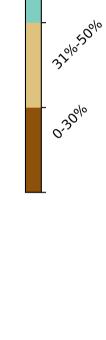


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





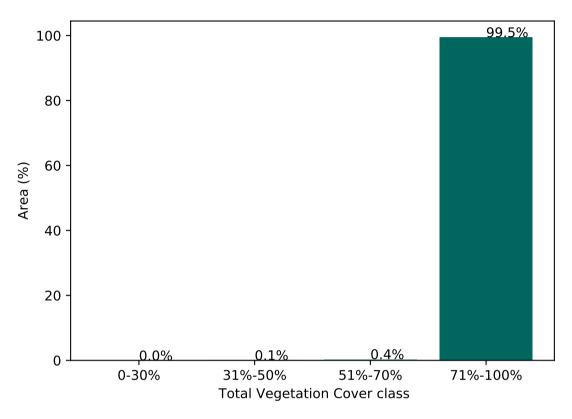
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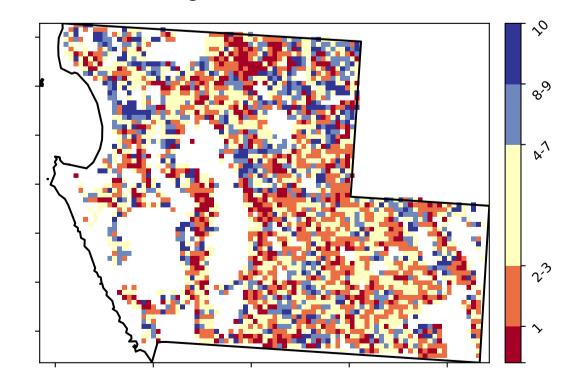
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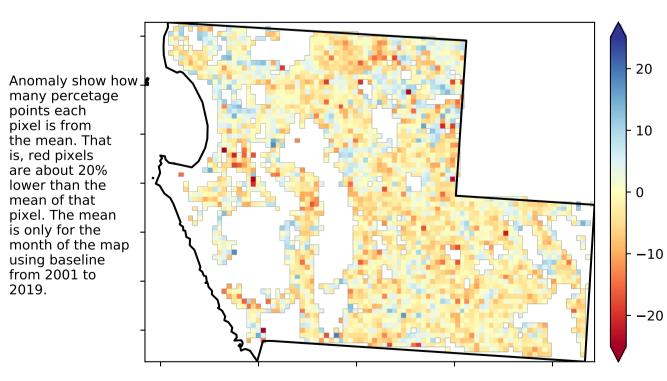
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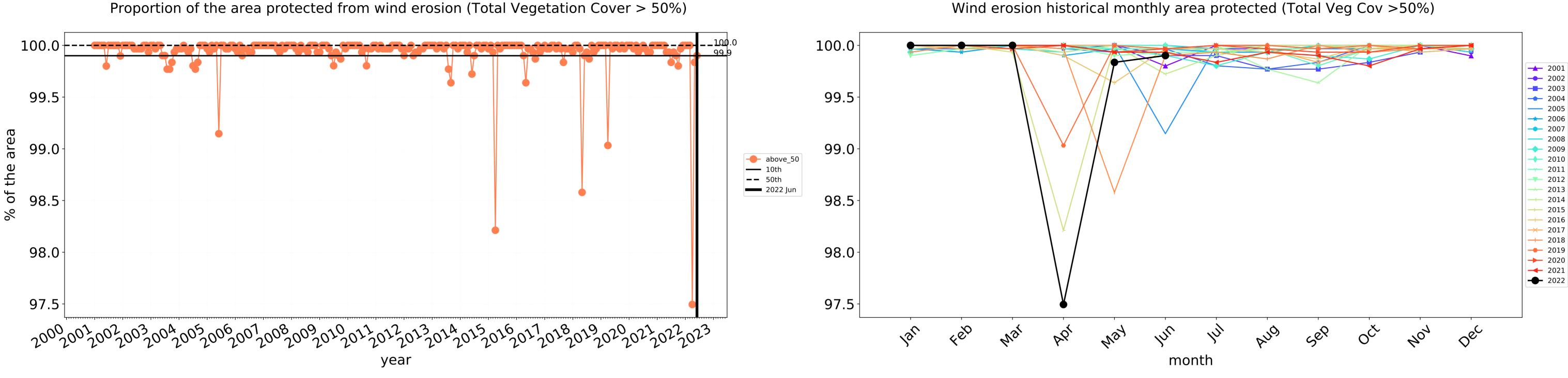
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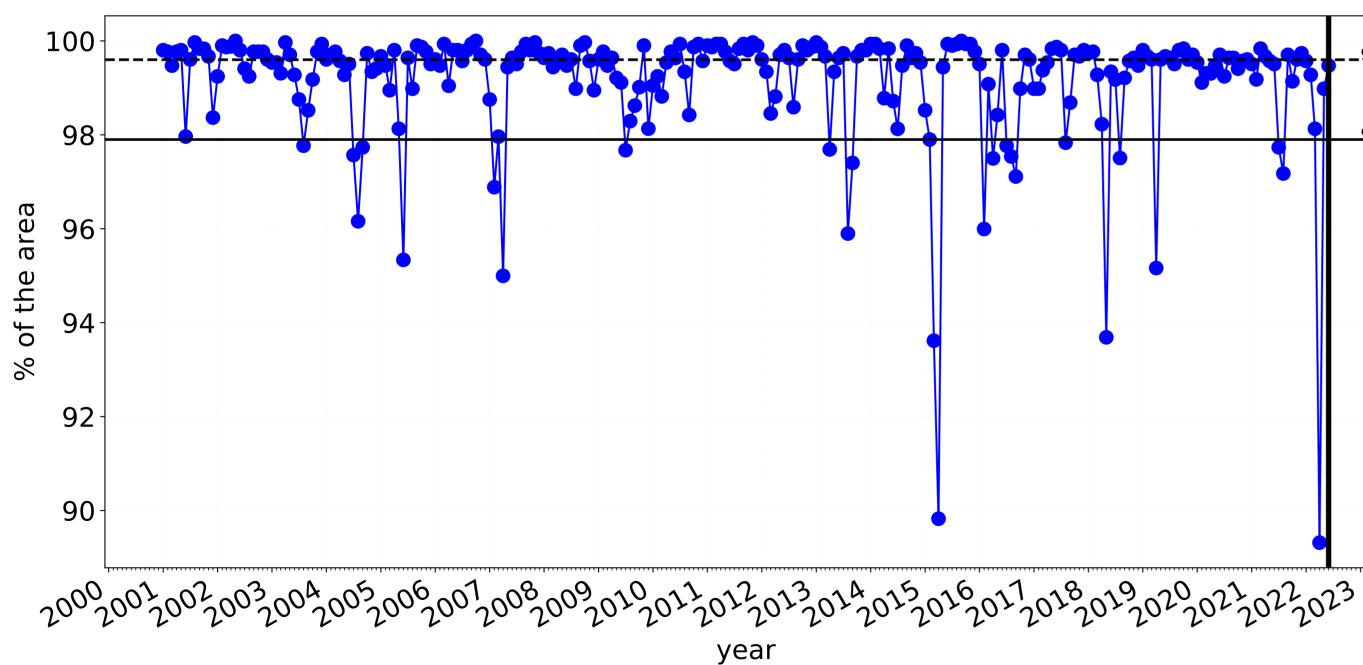






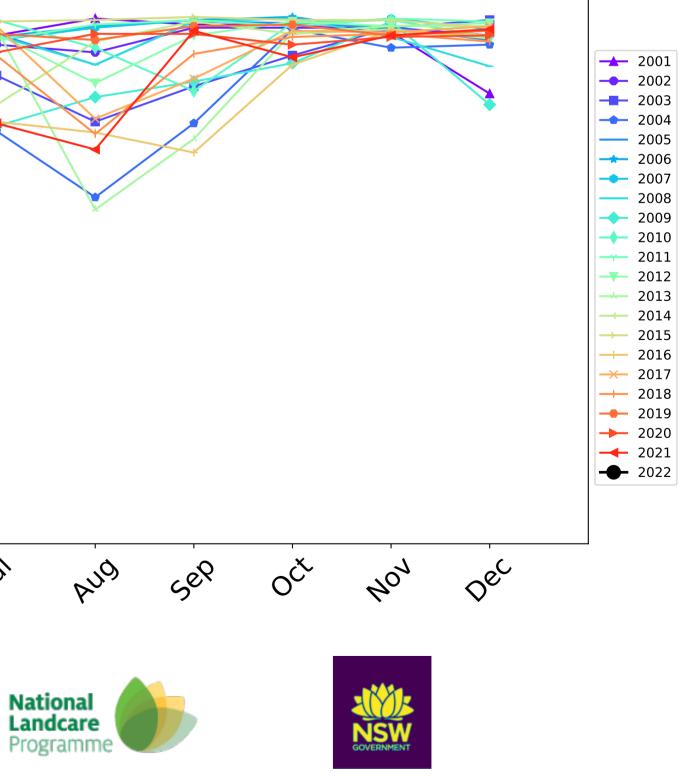
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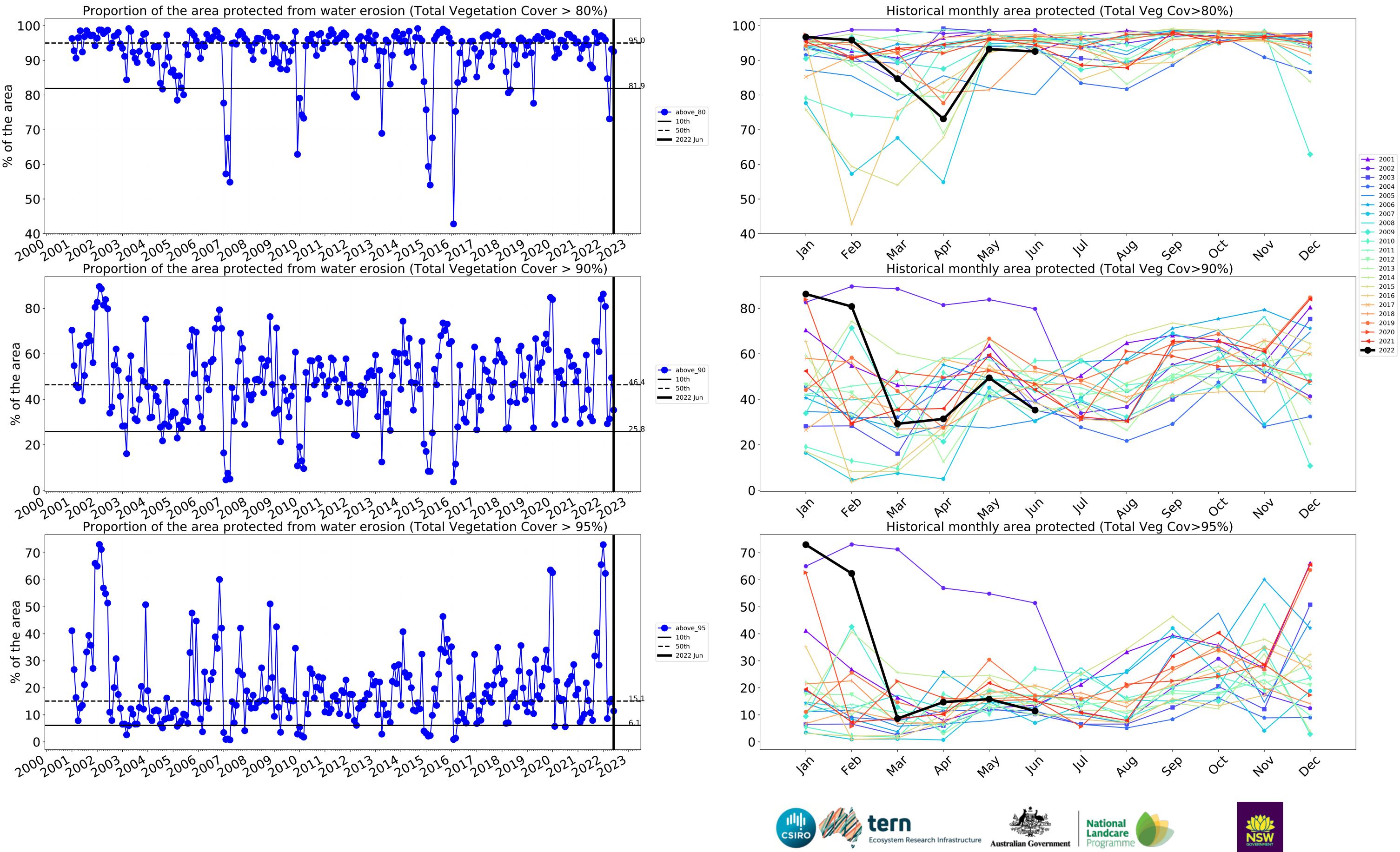
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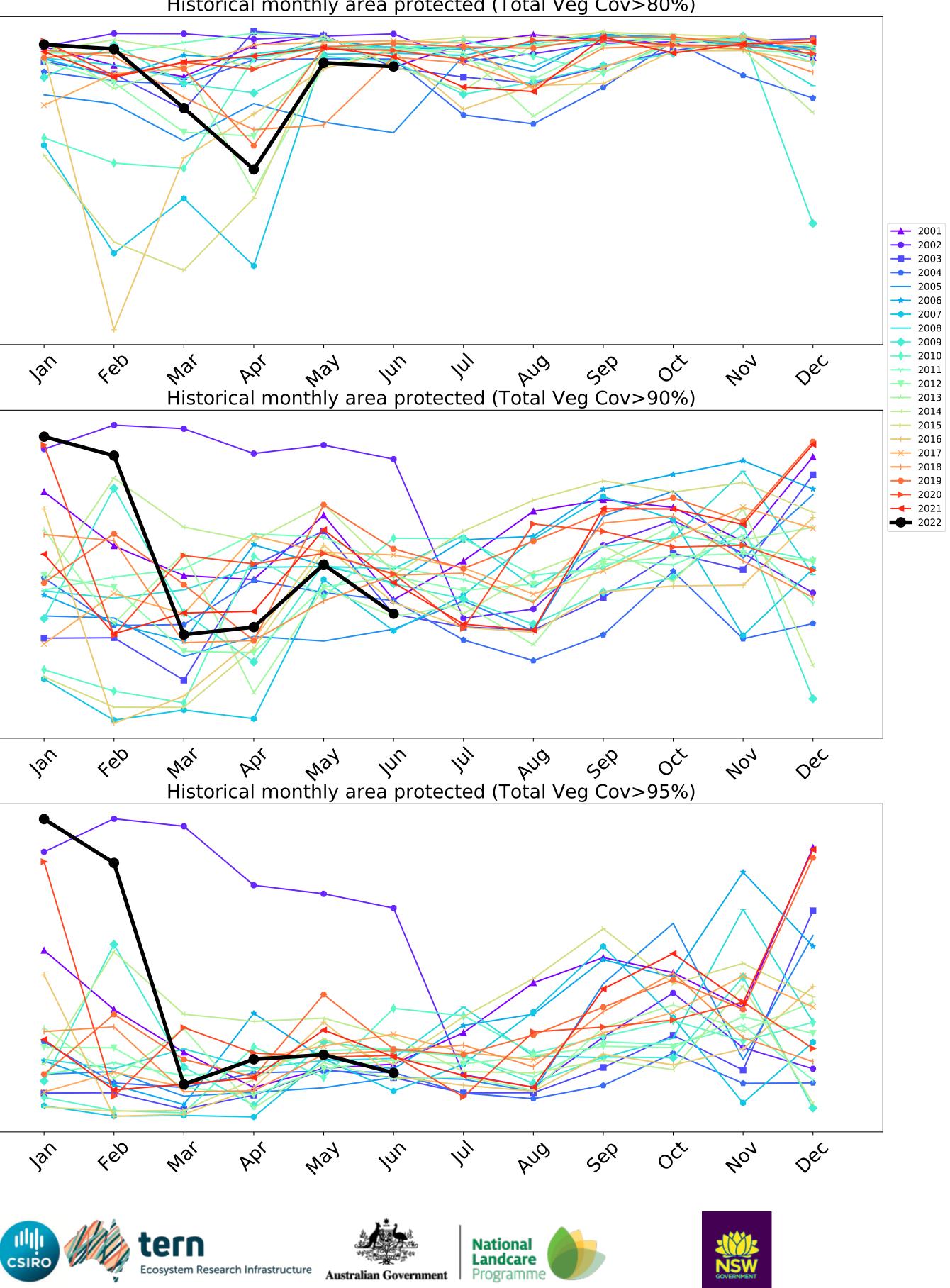


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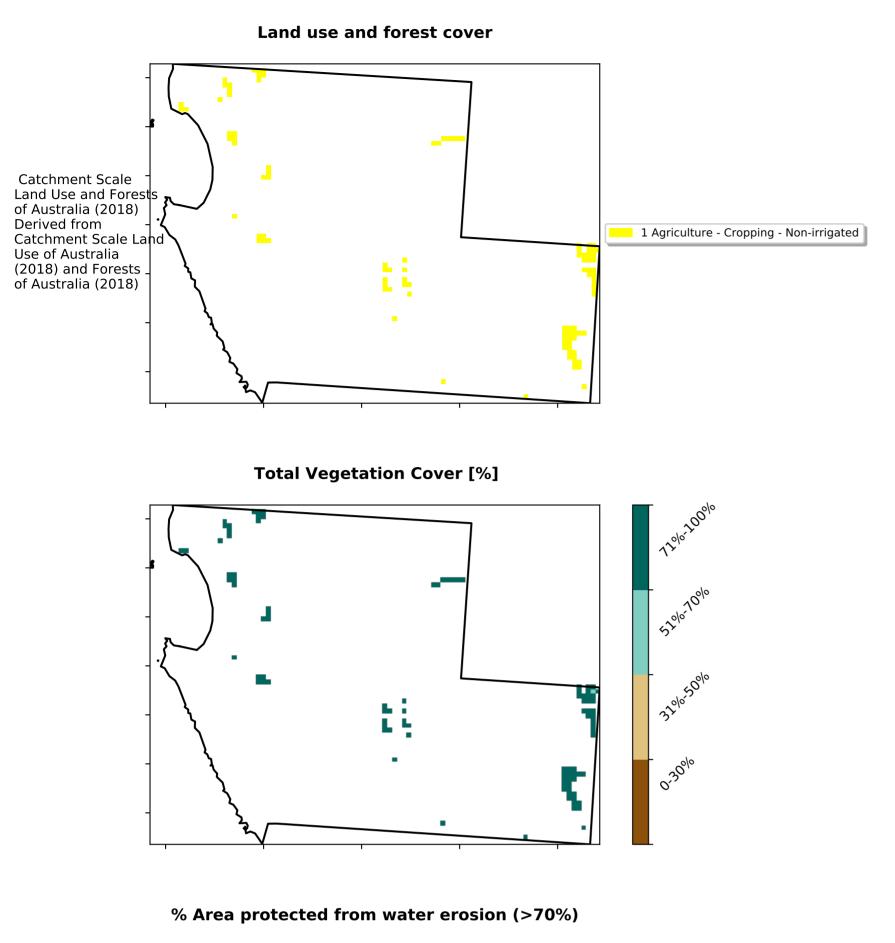
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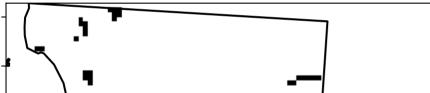




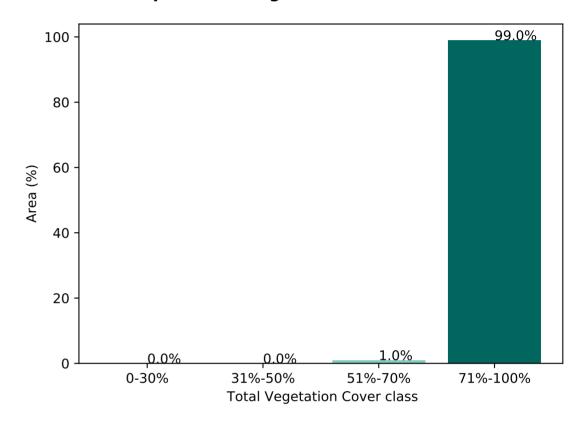


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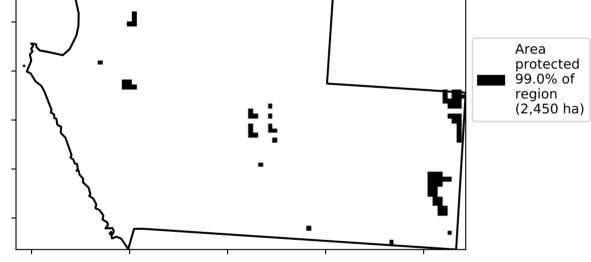


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

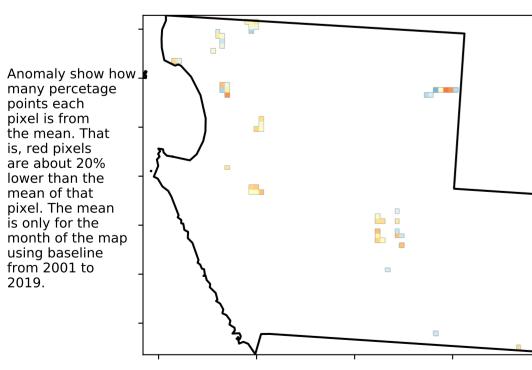


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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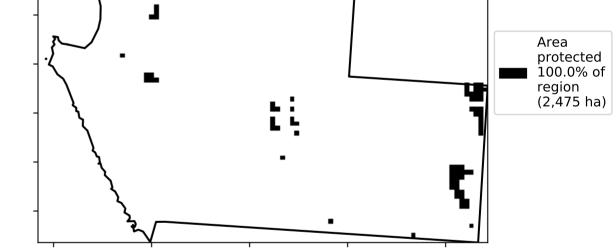
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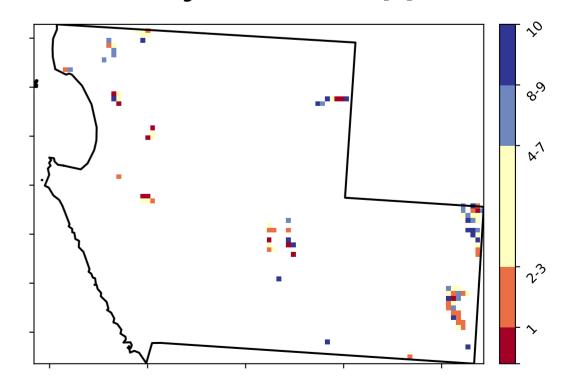
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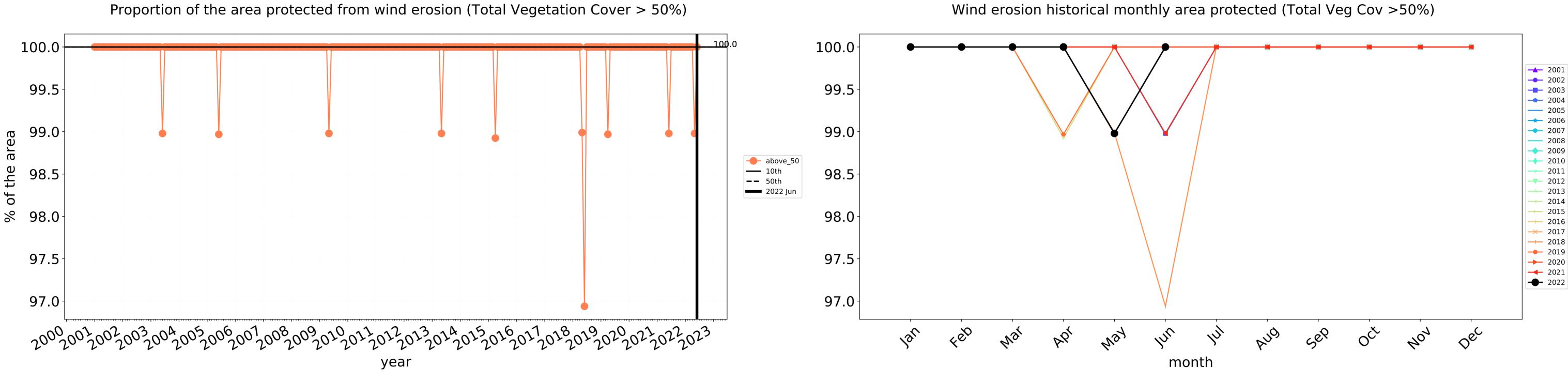
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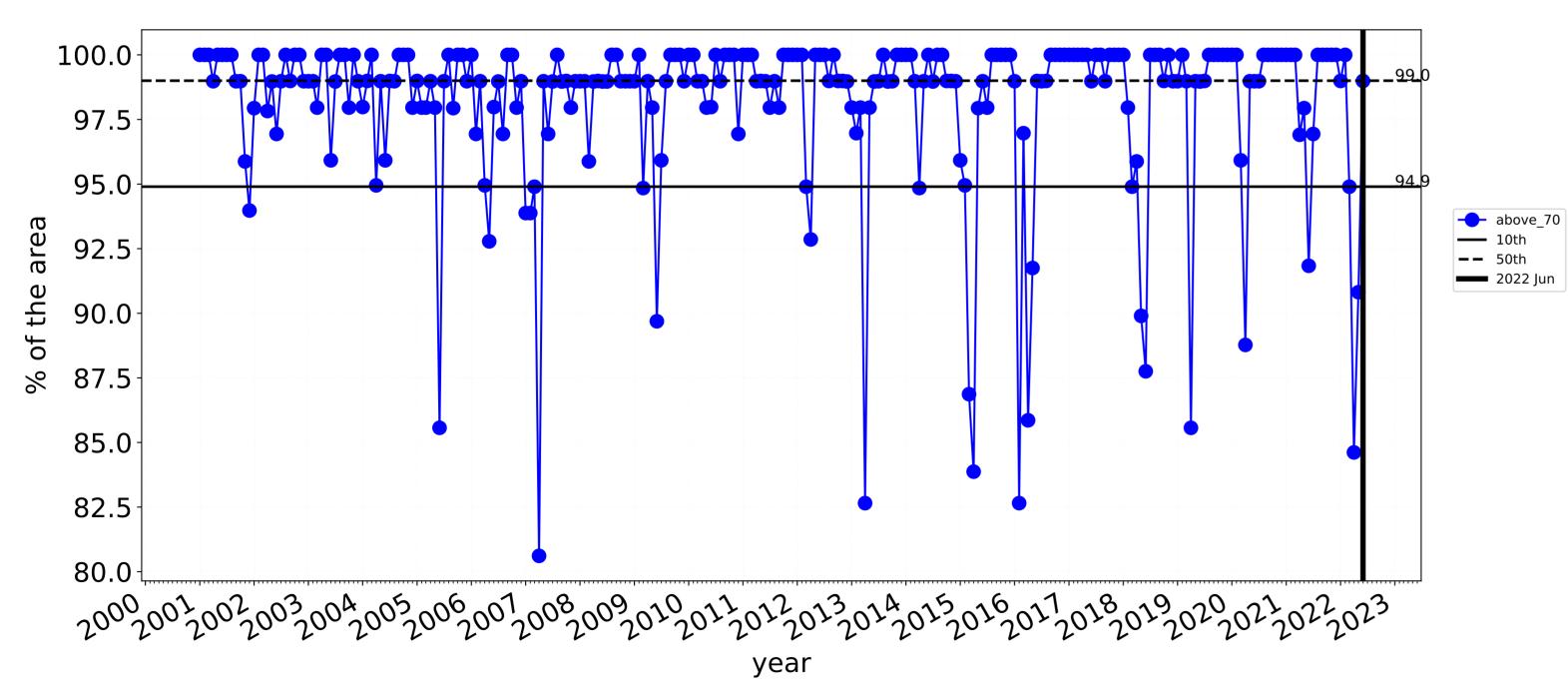
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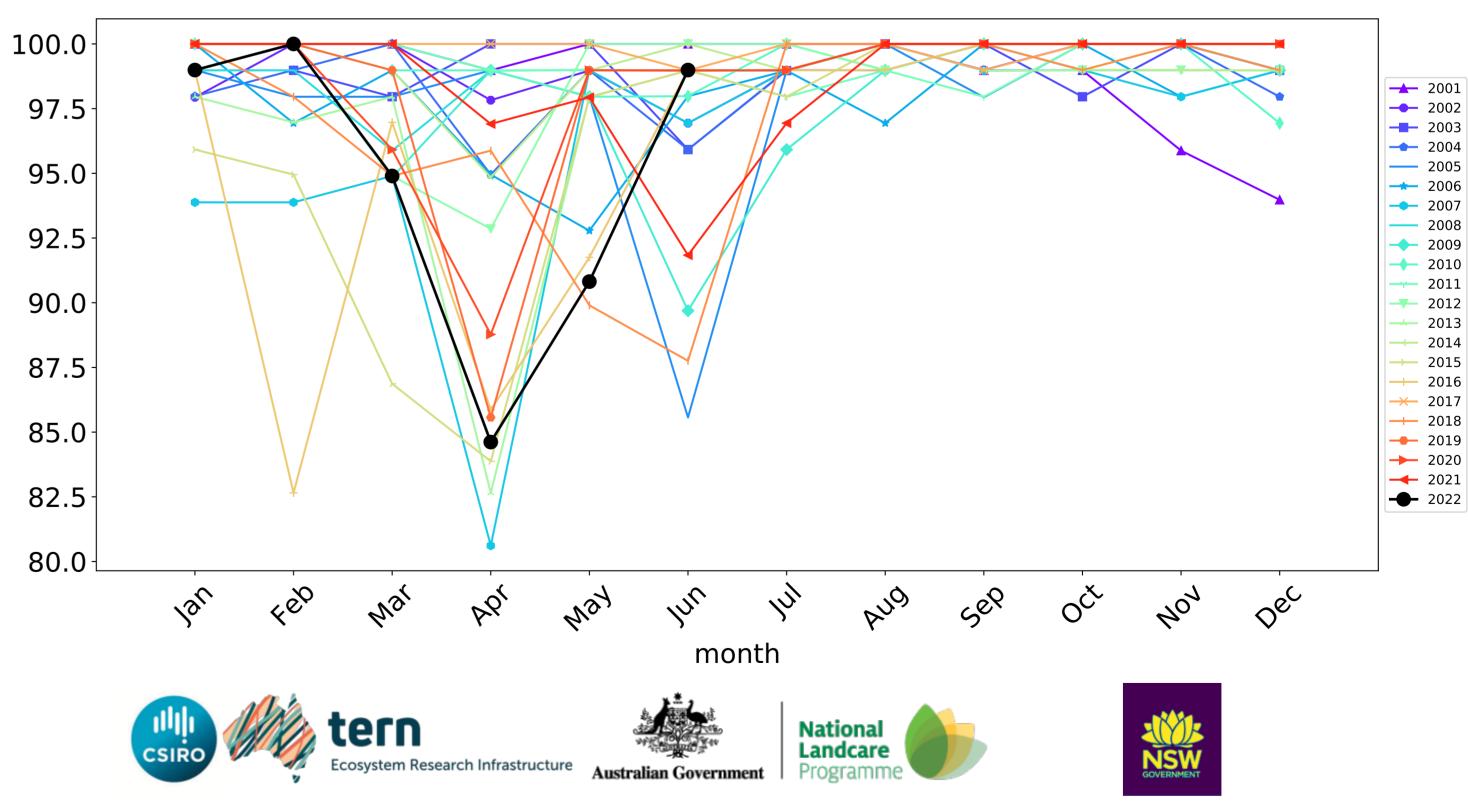




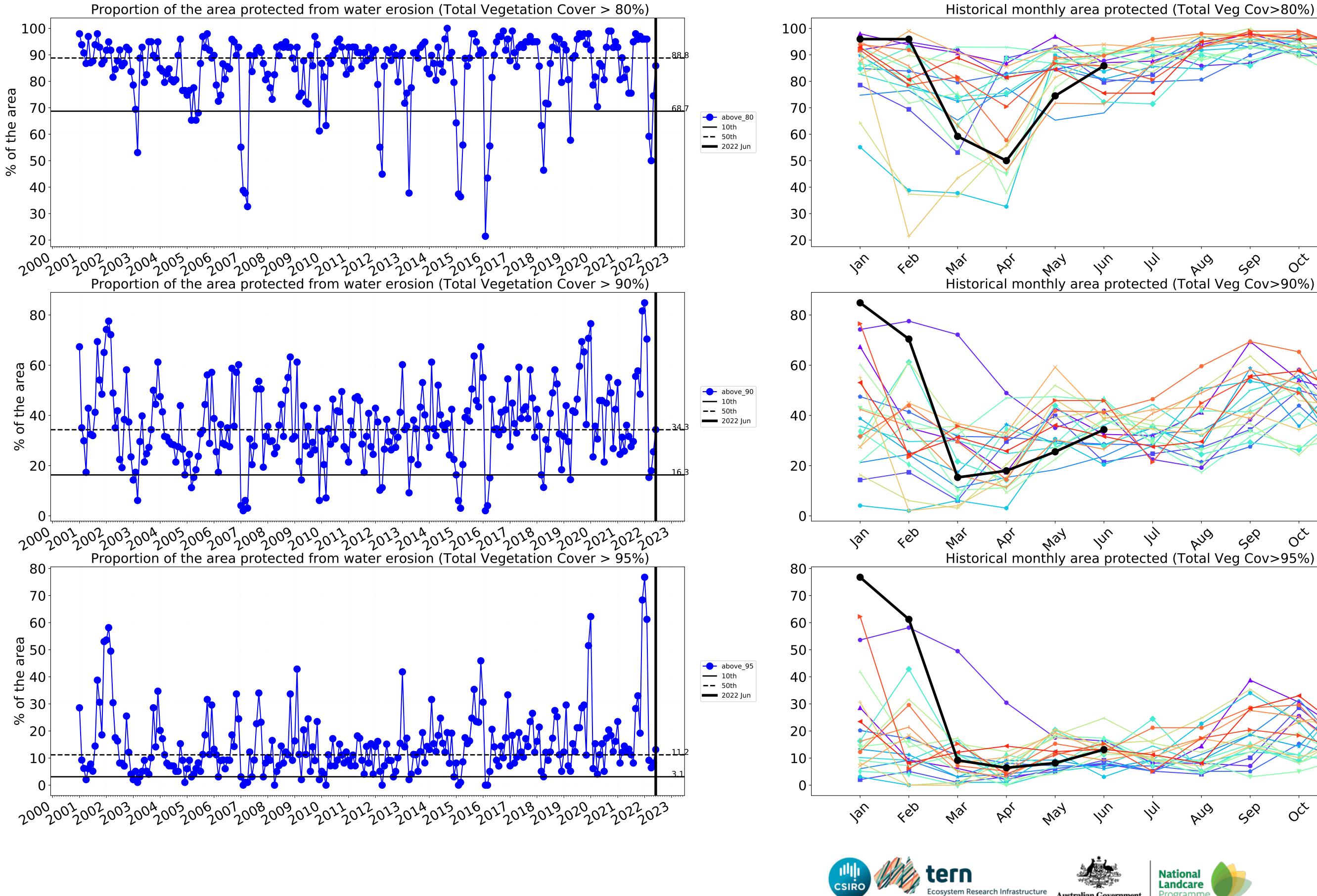


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)





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

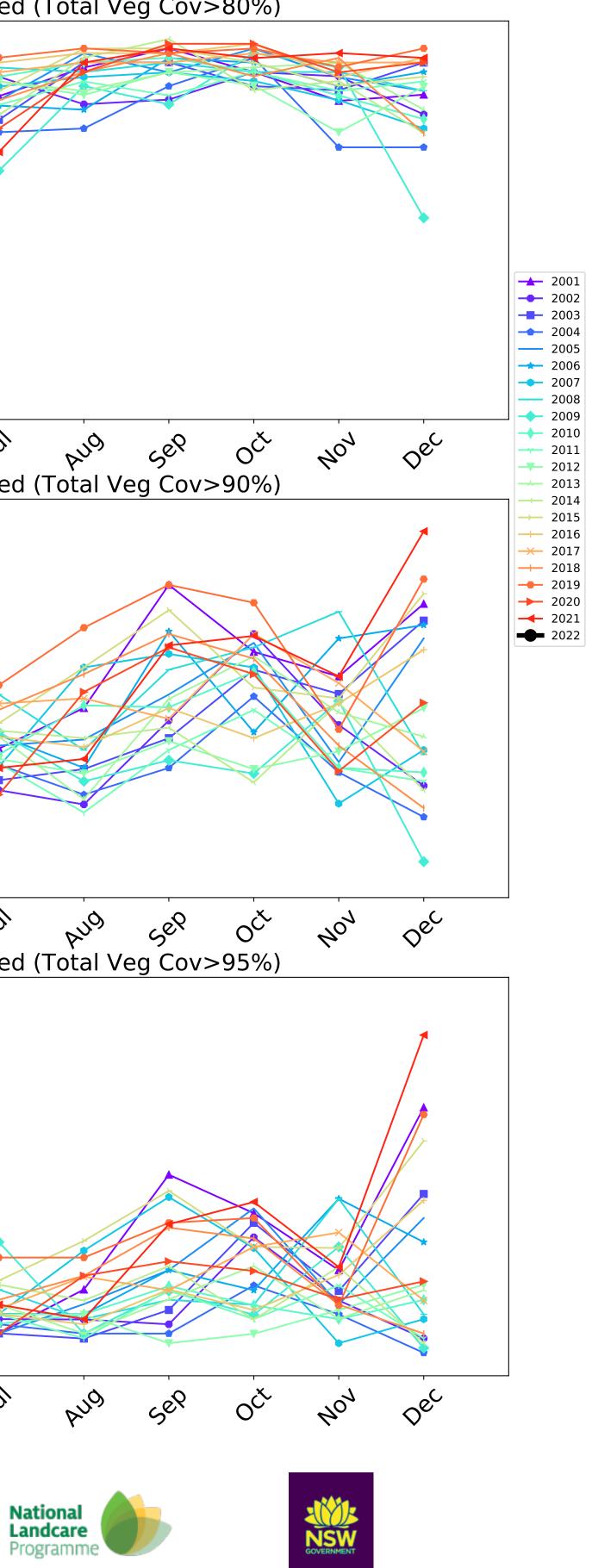


Historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>80%)

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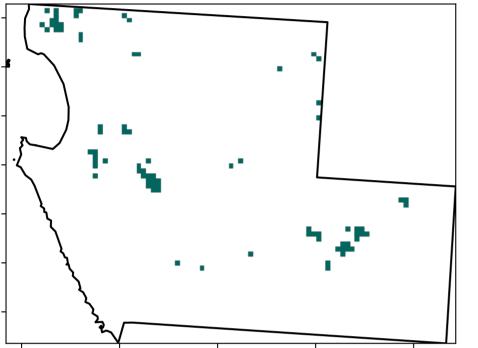
### Irrigation

52% 70%

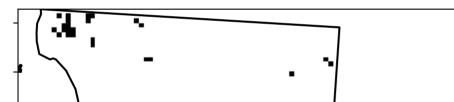
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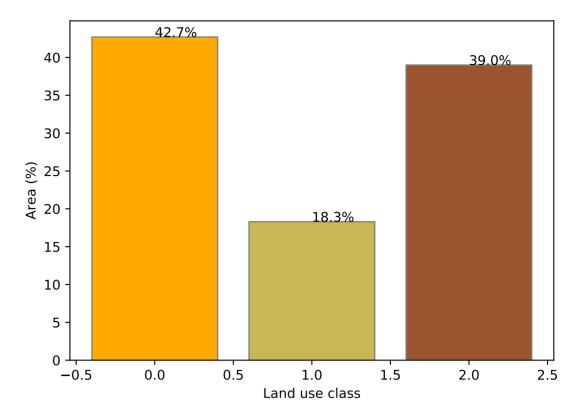
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Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) of Australia (2018) of Australia (2018) Total Vegetation Cover [%]



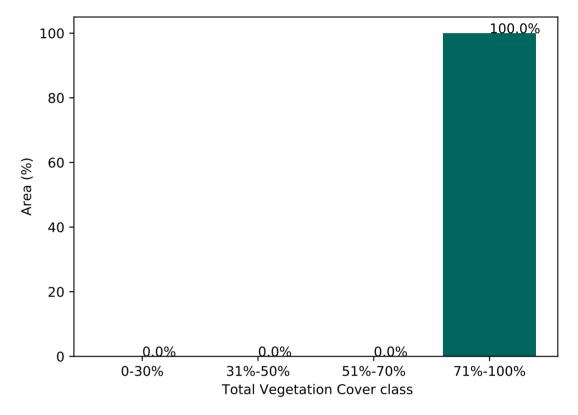
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





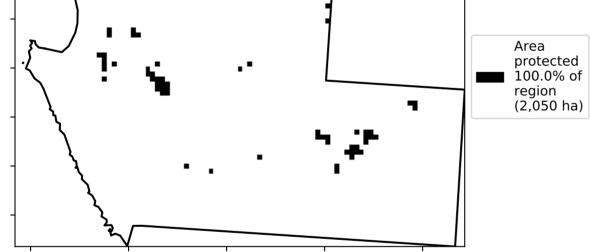
#### Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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

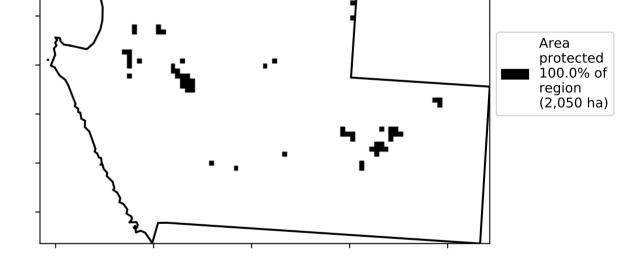




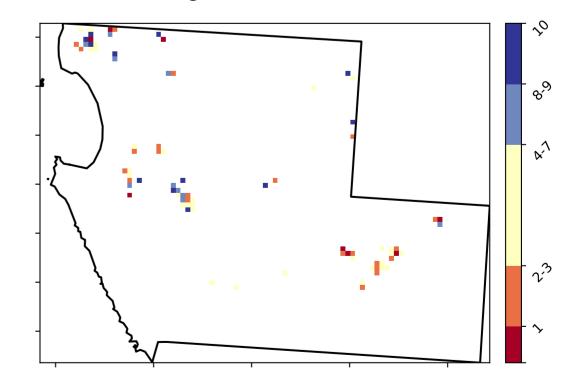
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



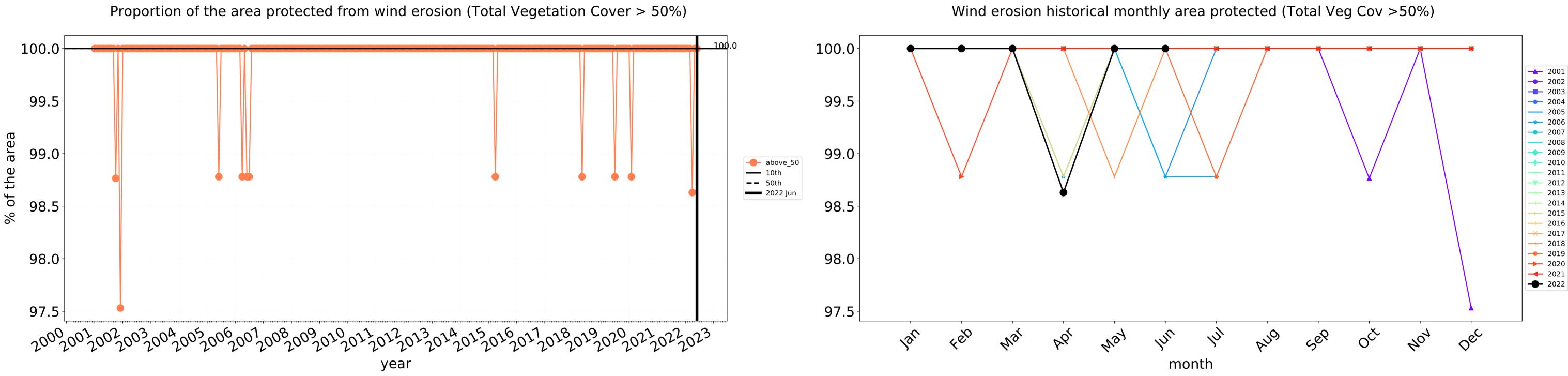
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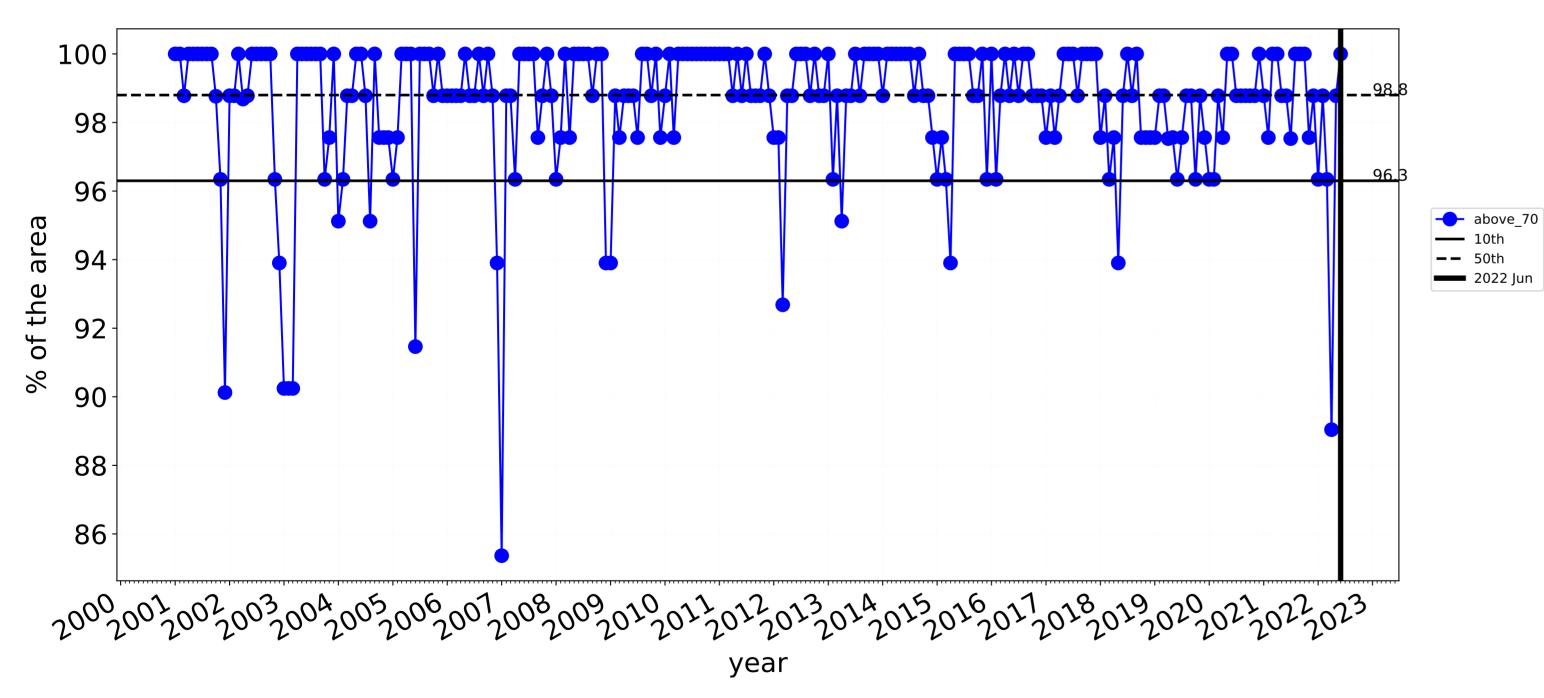
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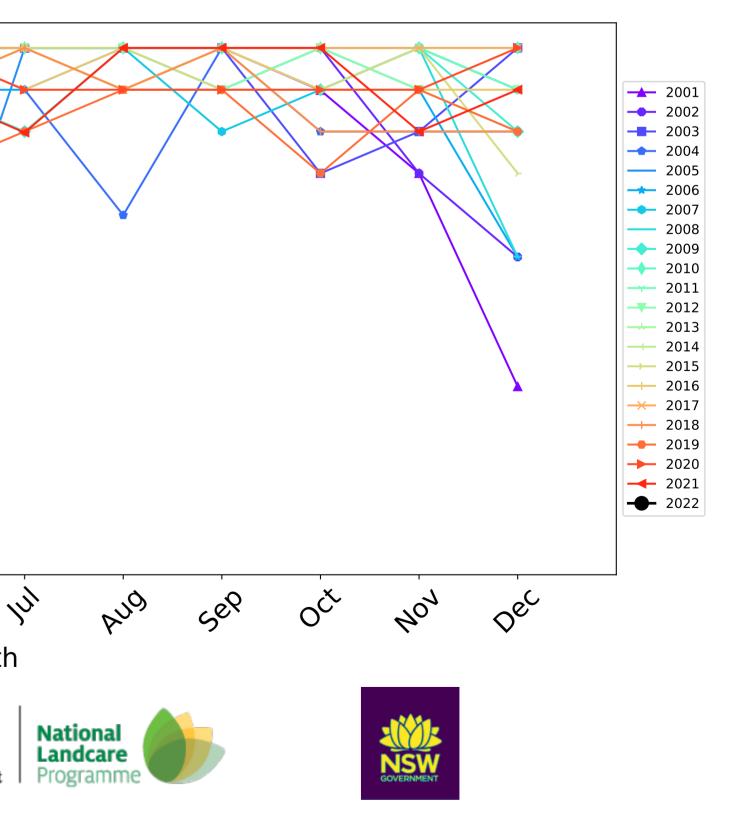


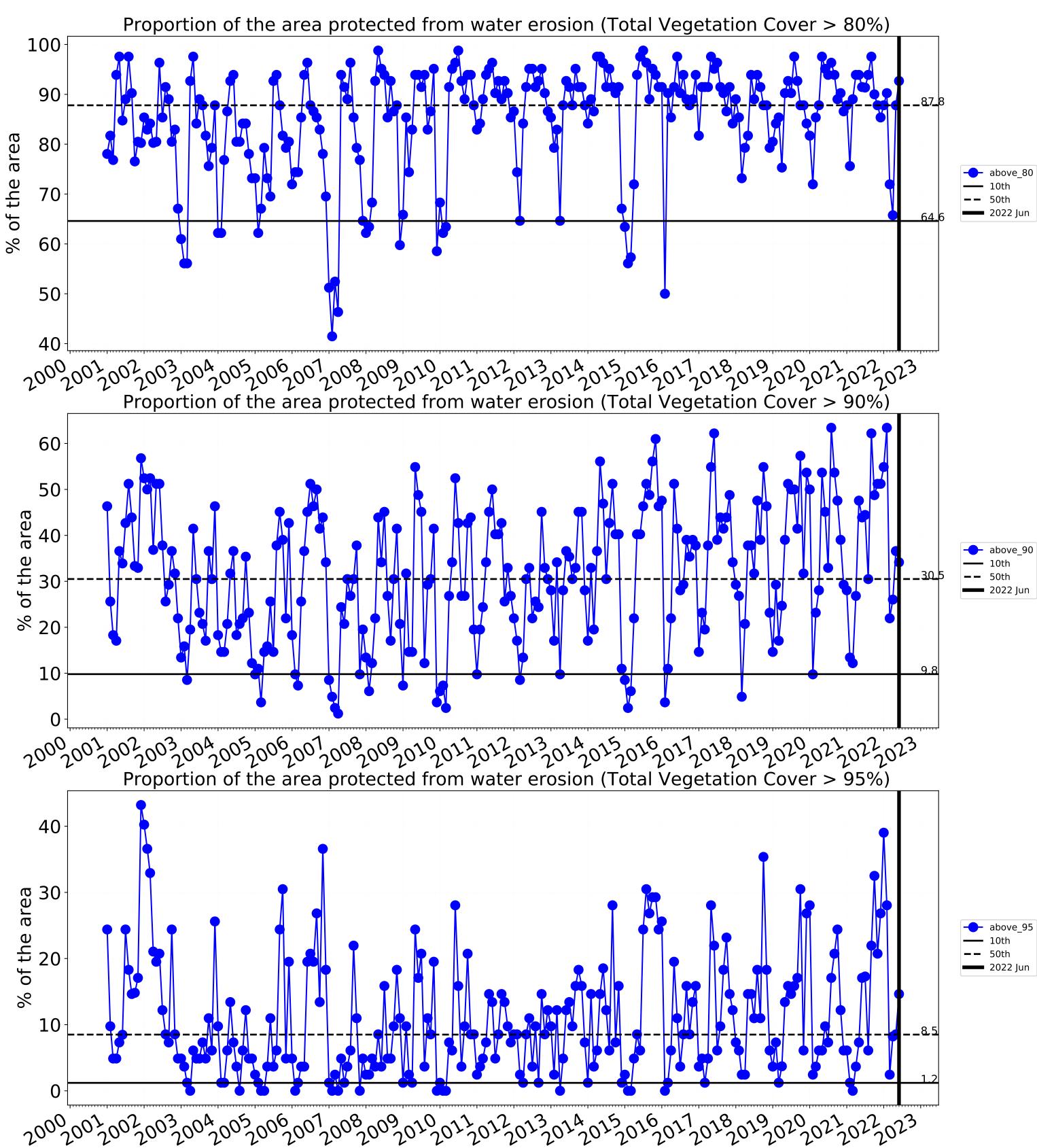


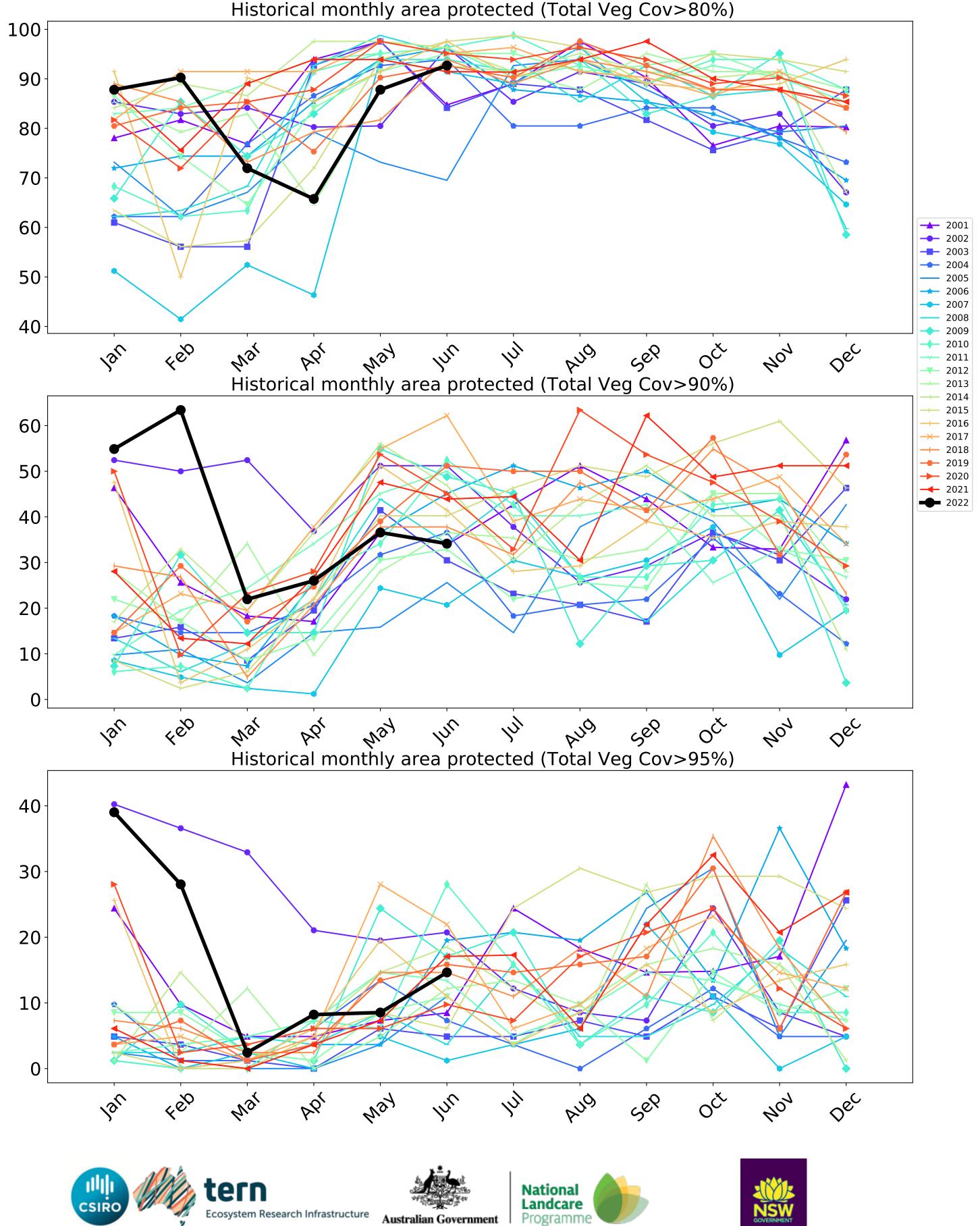


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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

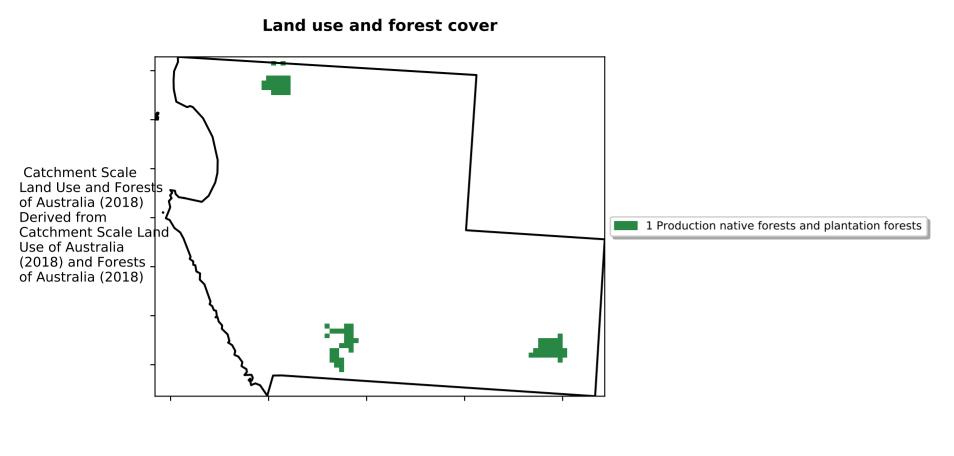




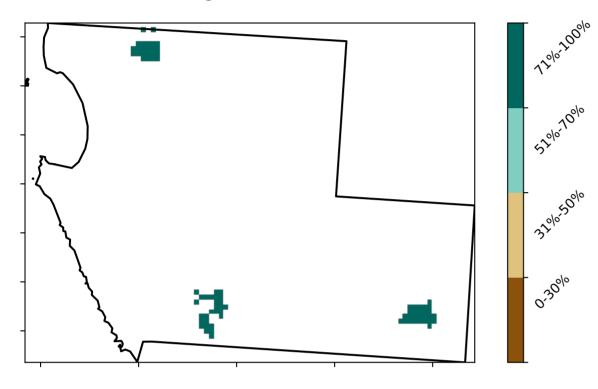


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### **Production native forests and plantation forests**



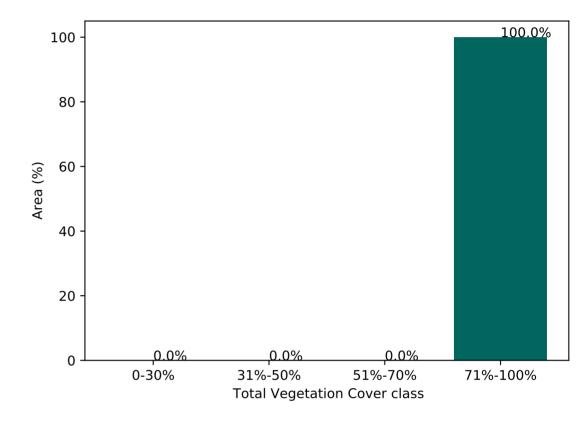
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



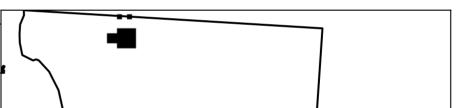
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

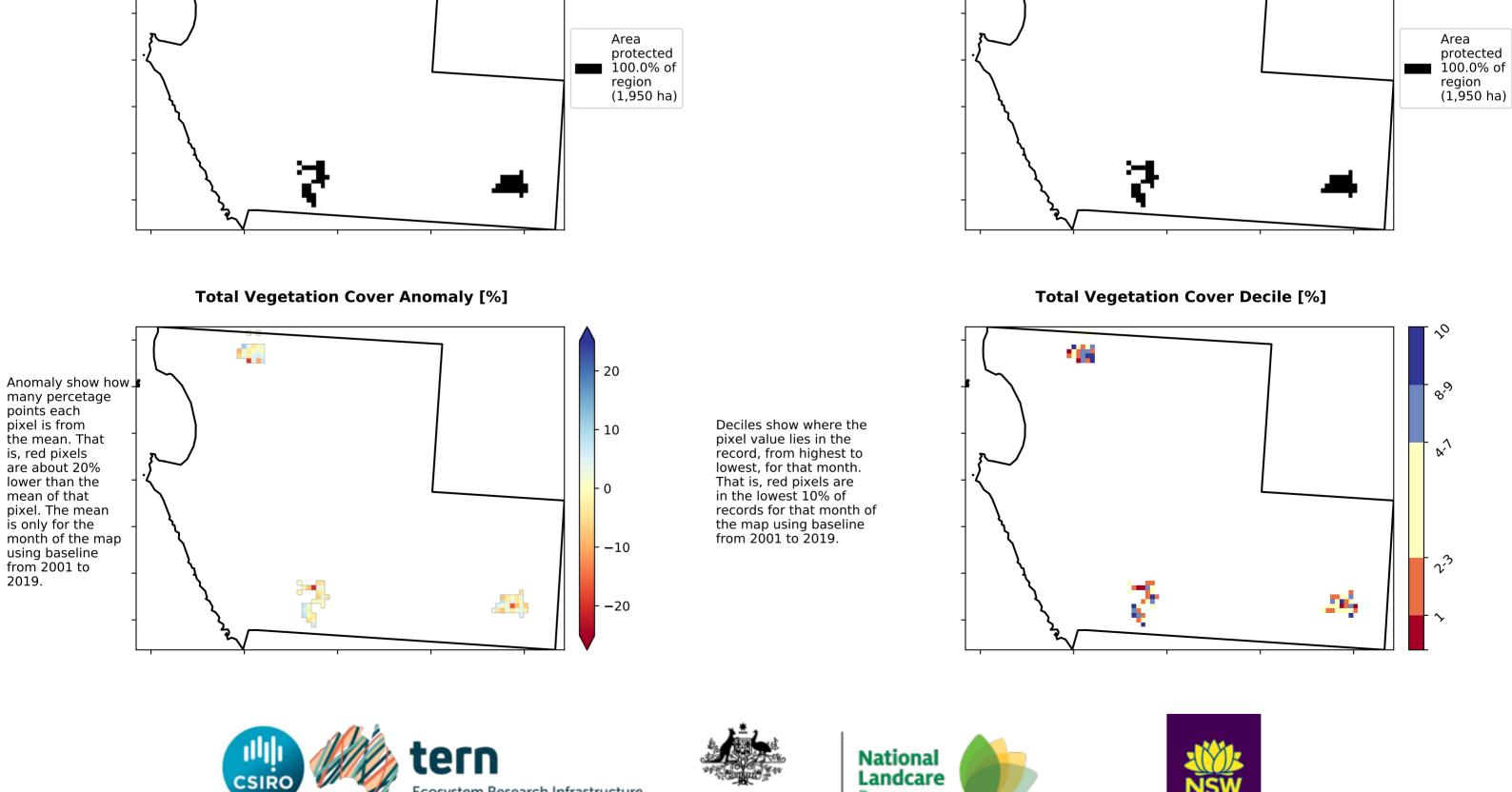


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



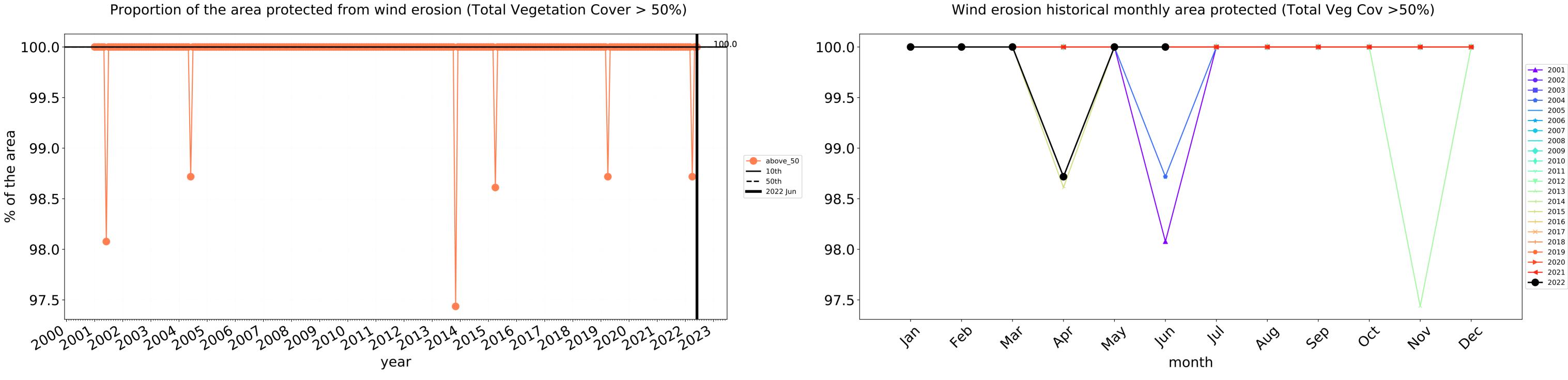


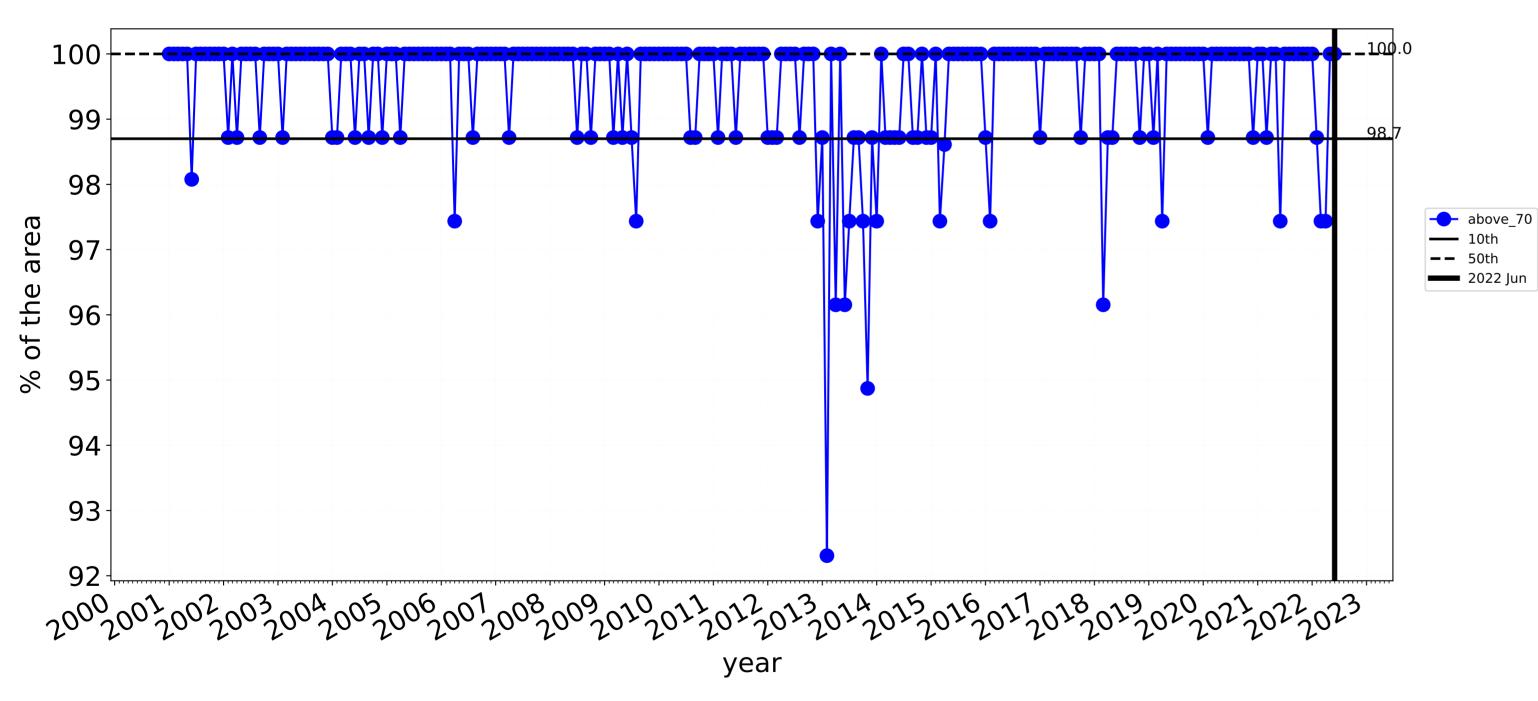
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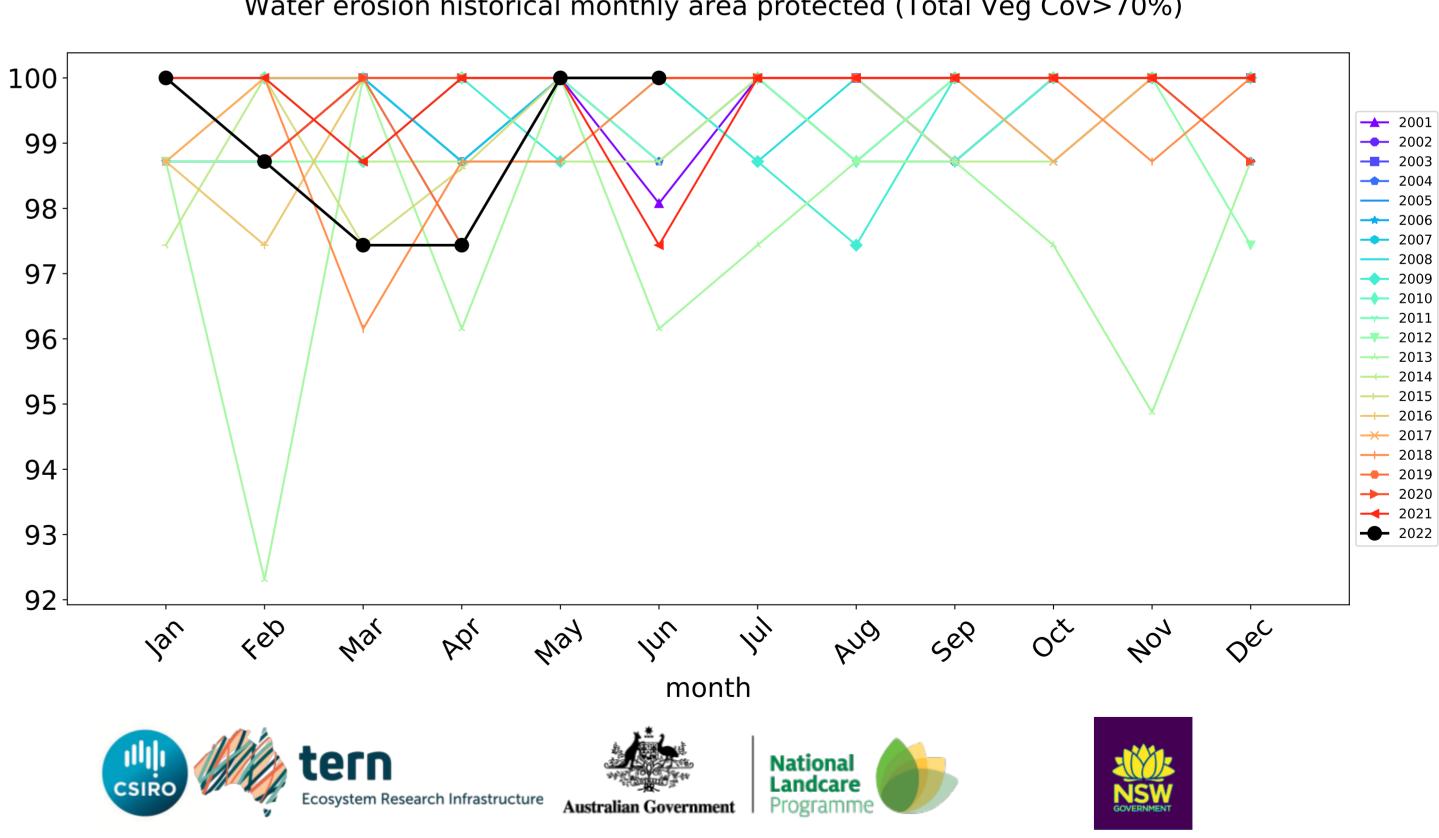
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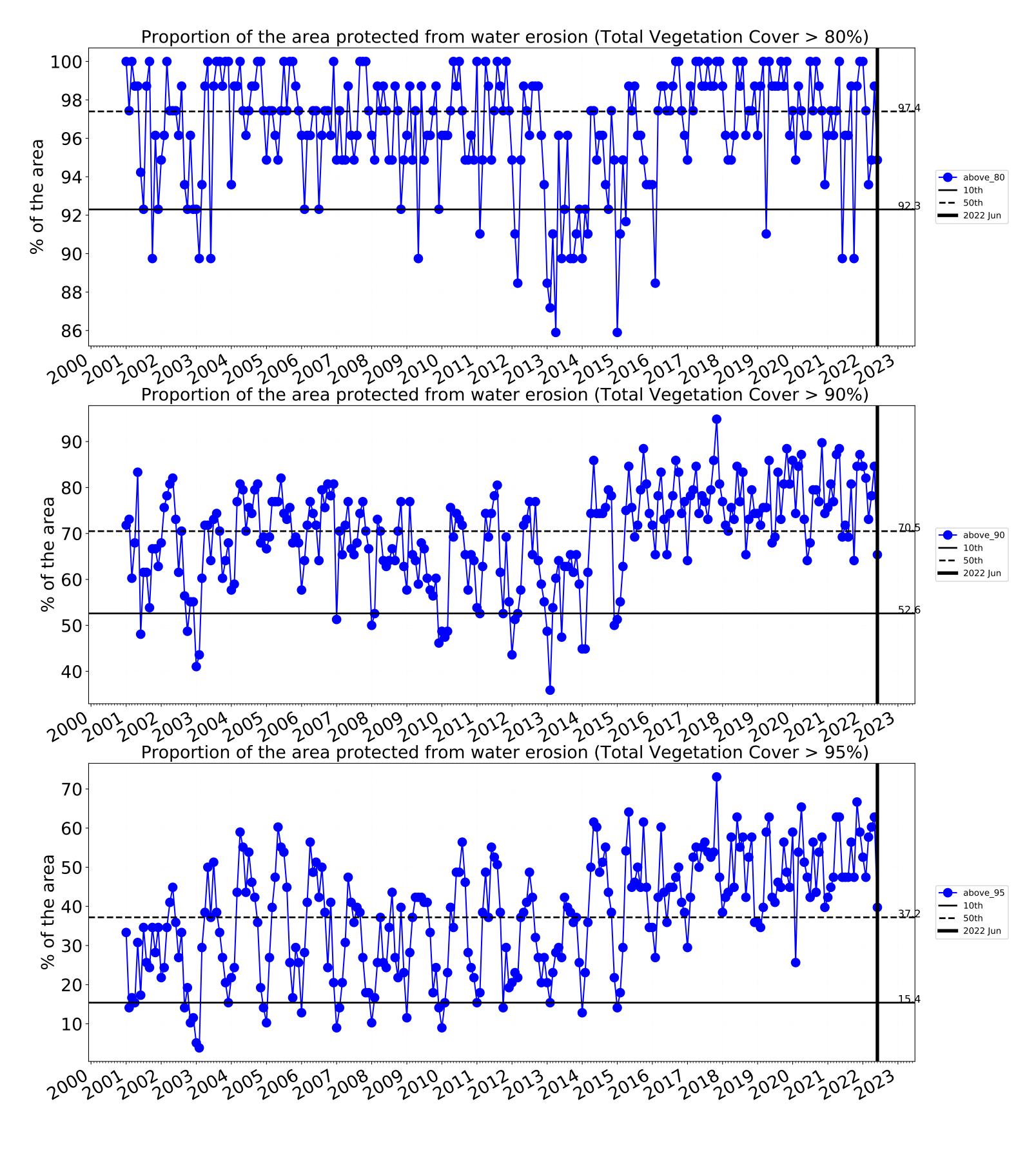
## Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries

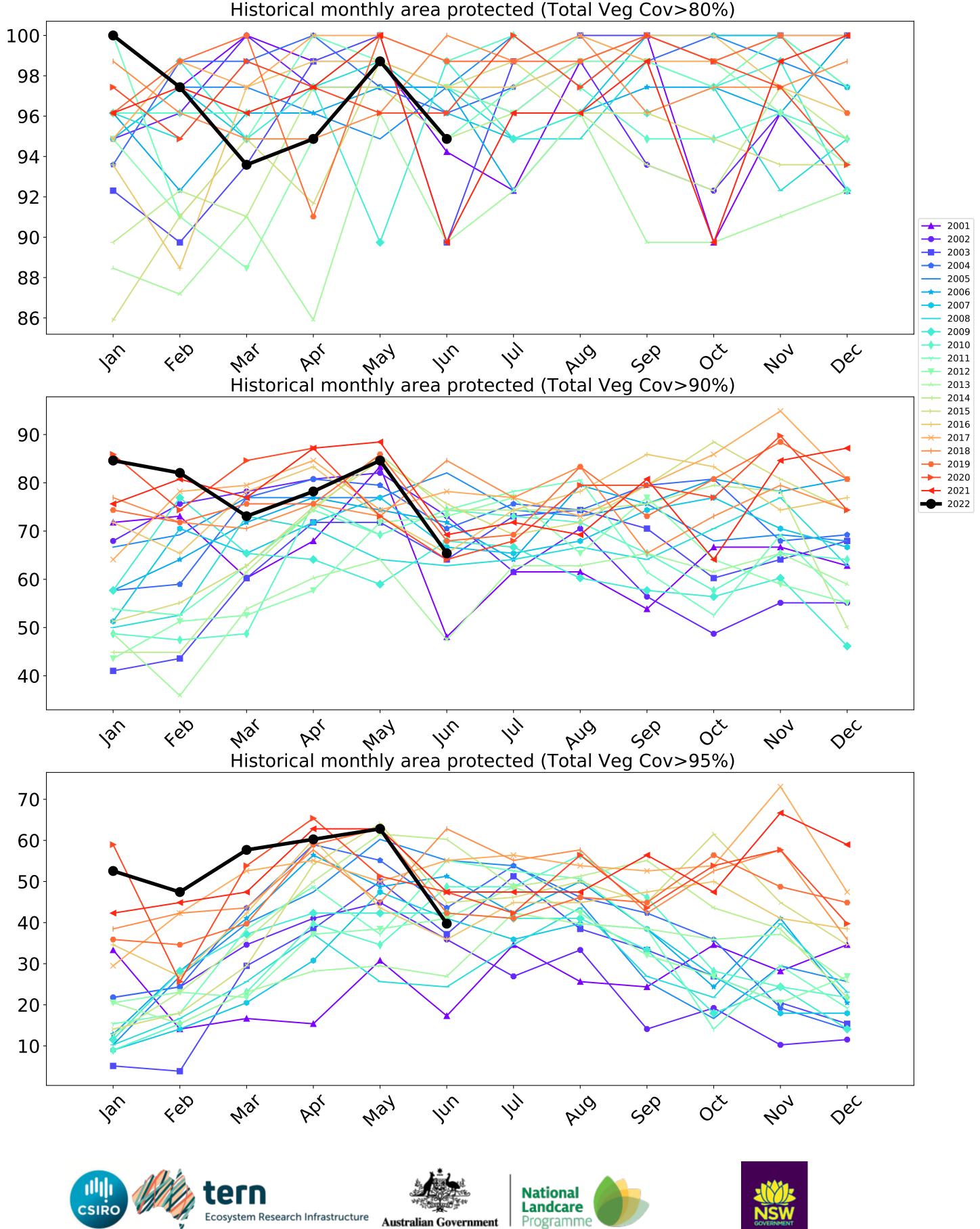






Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)







# Robe\_(DC) (103,200 ha and no data 5,993 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	103,200	99.9% 103,100	99.7% 102,925	98.7% 101,900	91.9% 94,875	40.3% 41,575	16.2% 16,675
Conservation and natural environments	9,925	100.0% 9,925	99.7% 9,900	98.5% 9,775	94.2% 9,350	62.2% 6,175	34.3% 3,400
Conservation and natural environments non forest	4,350	100.0% 4,350	99.4% 4,325	96.6% 4,200	89.1% 3,875	46.6% 2,025	22.4% 975
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	3,850	100.0% 3,850	100.0% 3,850	100.0% 3,850	98.7% 3,800	76.6% 2,950	48.7% 1,875
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	1,725	100.0% 1,725	100.0% 1,725	100.0% 1,725	97.1% 1,675	69.6% 1,200	31.9% 550
Agriculture	81,275	100.0% 81,275	99.9% 81,200	99.5% 80,850	92.4% 75,075	35.3% 28,725	11.7% 9,475
Grazing	76,750	100.0% 76,750	99.9% 76,675	99.5% 76,350	92.6% 71,050	35.4% 27,175	11.5% 8,850
Grazing non forest	76,275	100.0% 76,275	99.9% 76,200	99.5% 75,875	92.6% 70,600	35.3% 26,900	11.4% 8,725
Cropping	2,475	100.0% 2,475	100.0% 2,475	99.0% 2,450	85.9% 2,125	34.3% 850	13.1% 325
Irrigation	2,050	100.0% 2,050	100.0% 2,050	100.0% 2,050	92.7% 1,900	34.1% 700	14.6% 300
Production native forests and plantation forests	1,950	100.0% 1,950	100.0% 1,950	100.0% 1,950	94.9% 1,850	65.4% 1,275	39.7% 775

