# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Burnie\_(C) TAS

# Date: July 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:

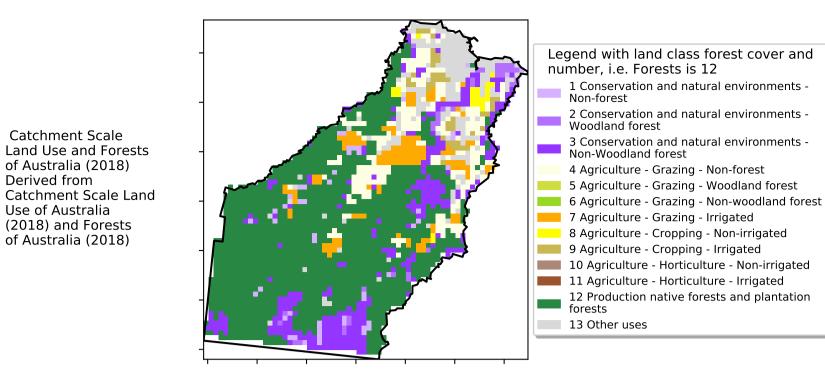
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# **Vegetation Cover Jul 2023**

### Land use and forest cover

### Proportion of each land class in area



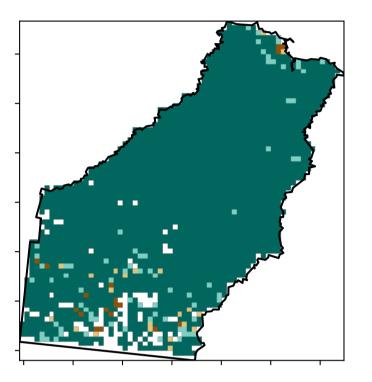
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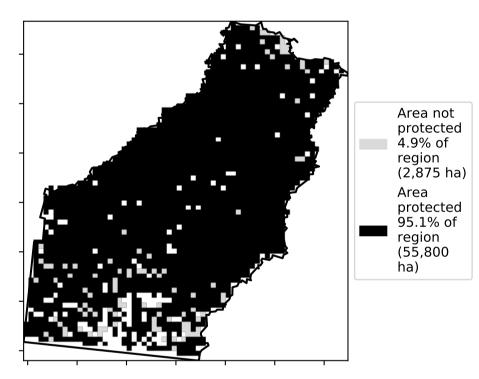
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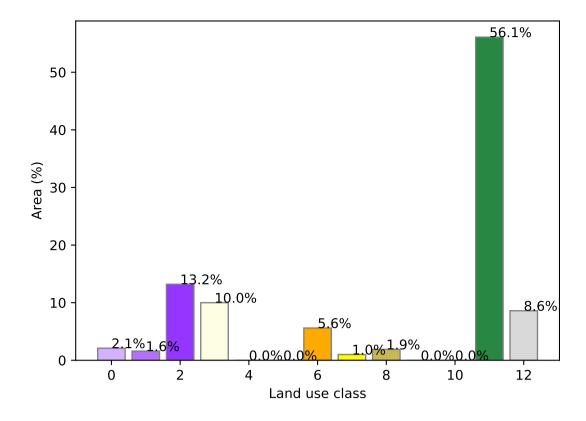
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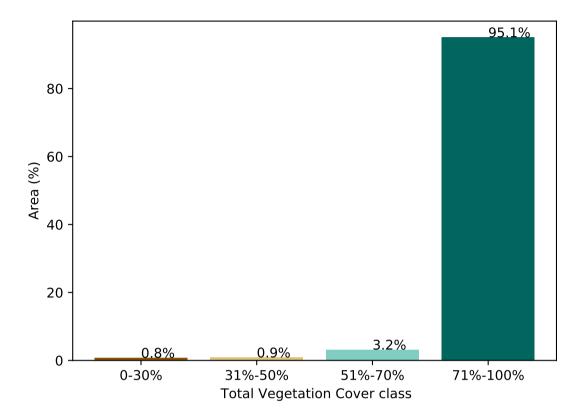


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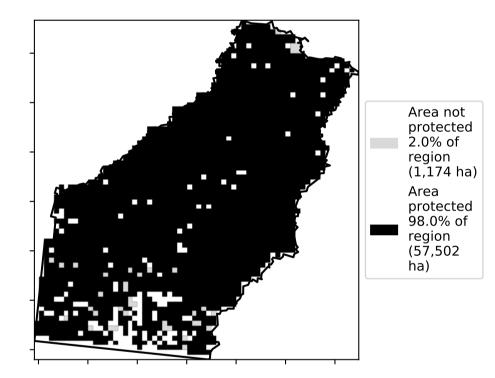




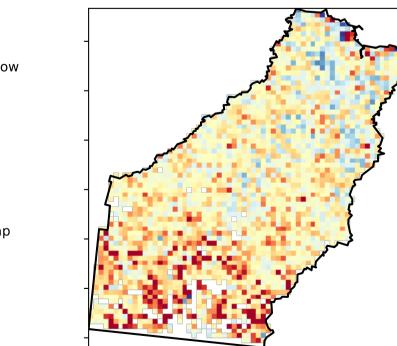
### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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

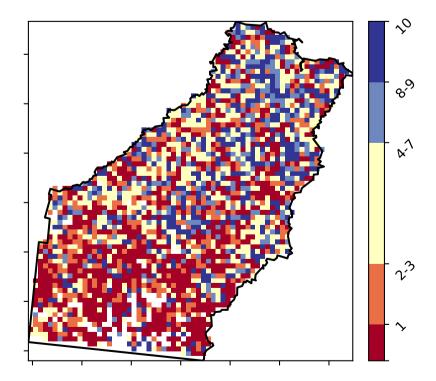


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





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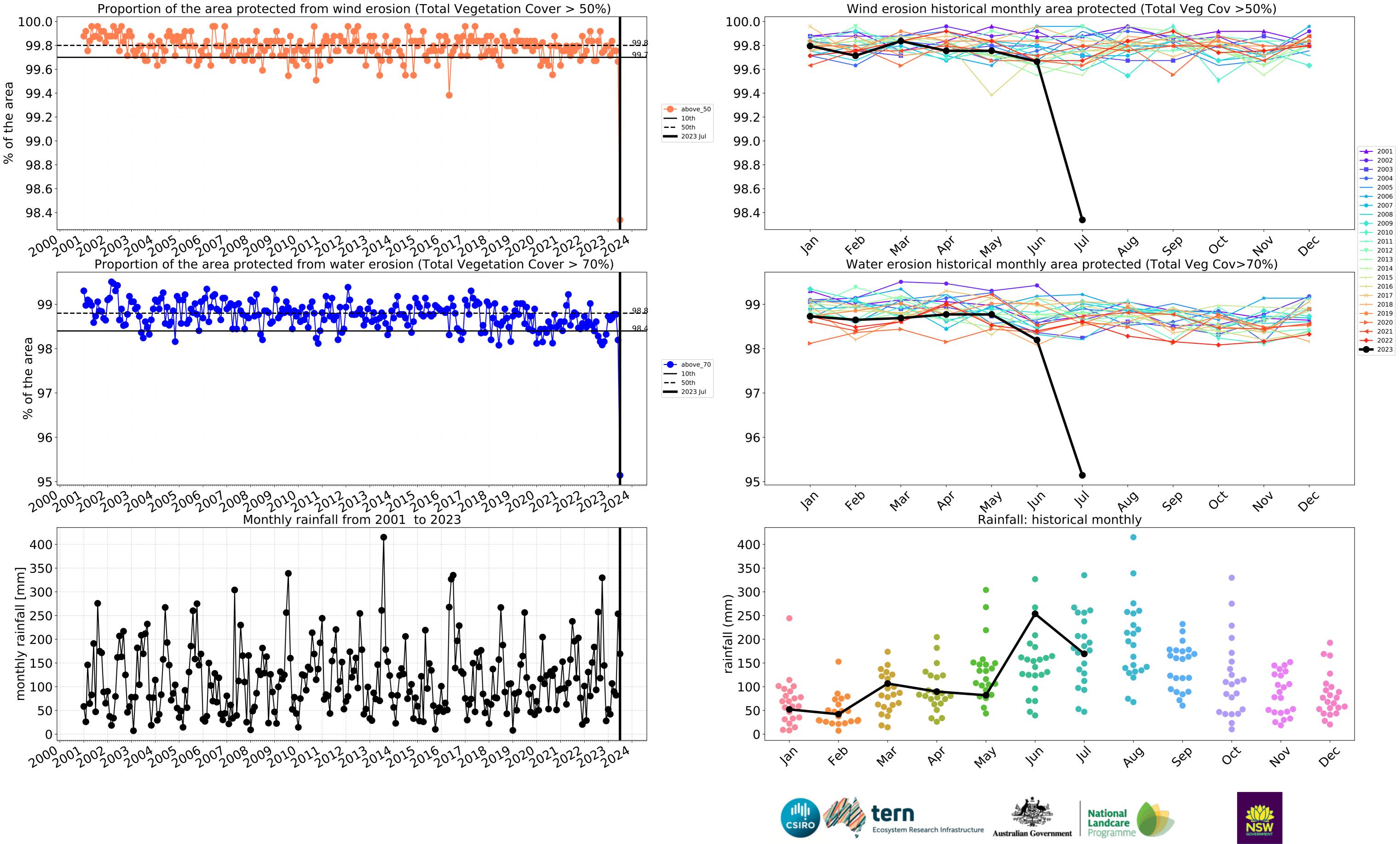
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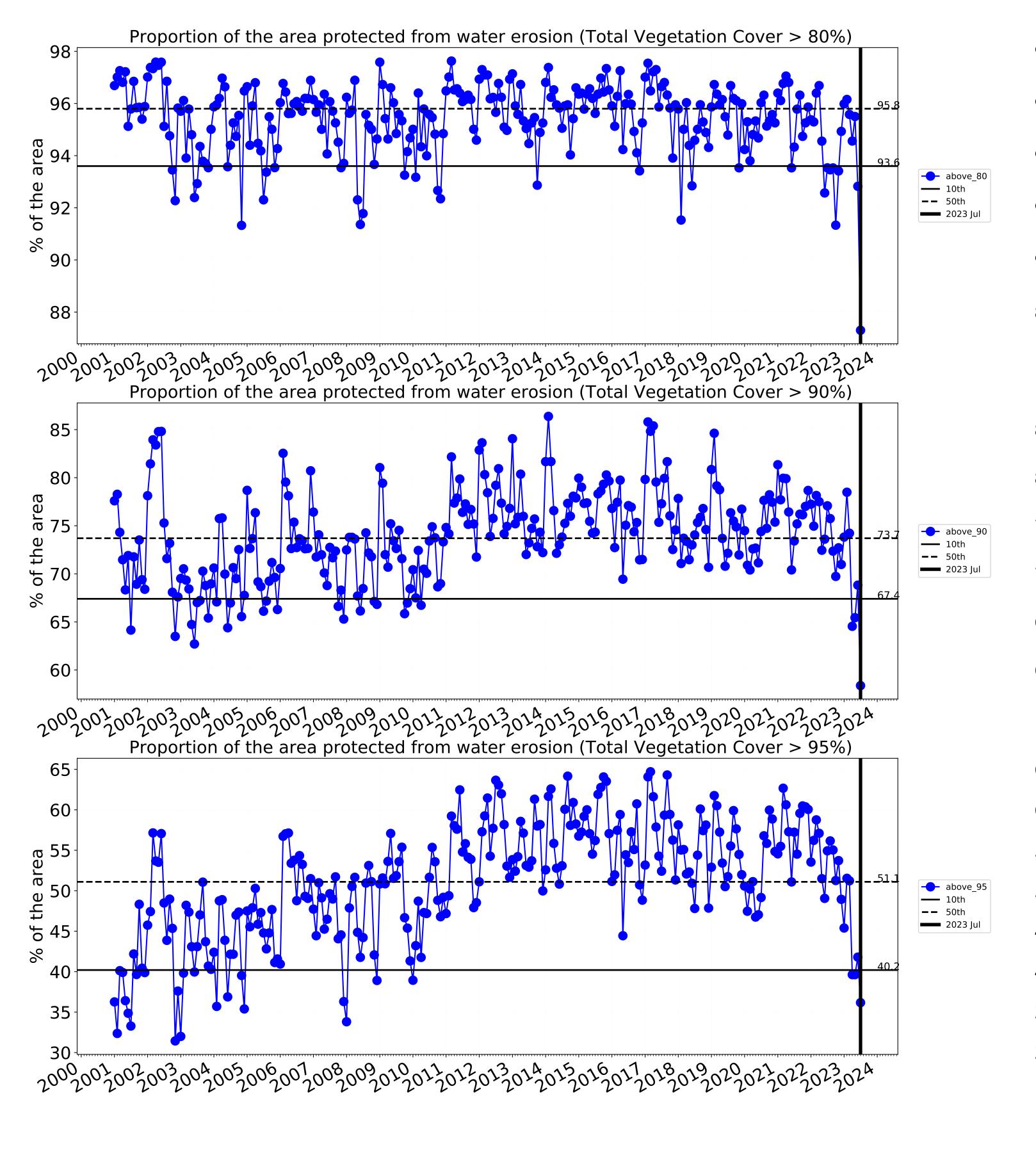
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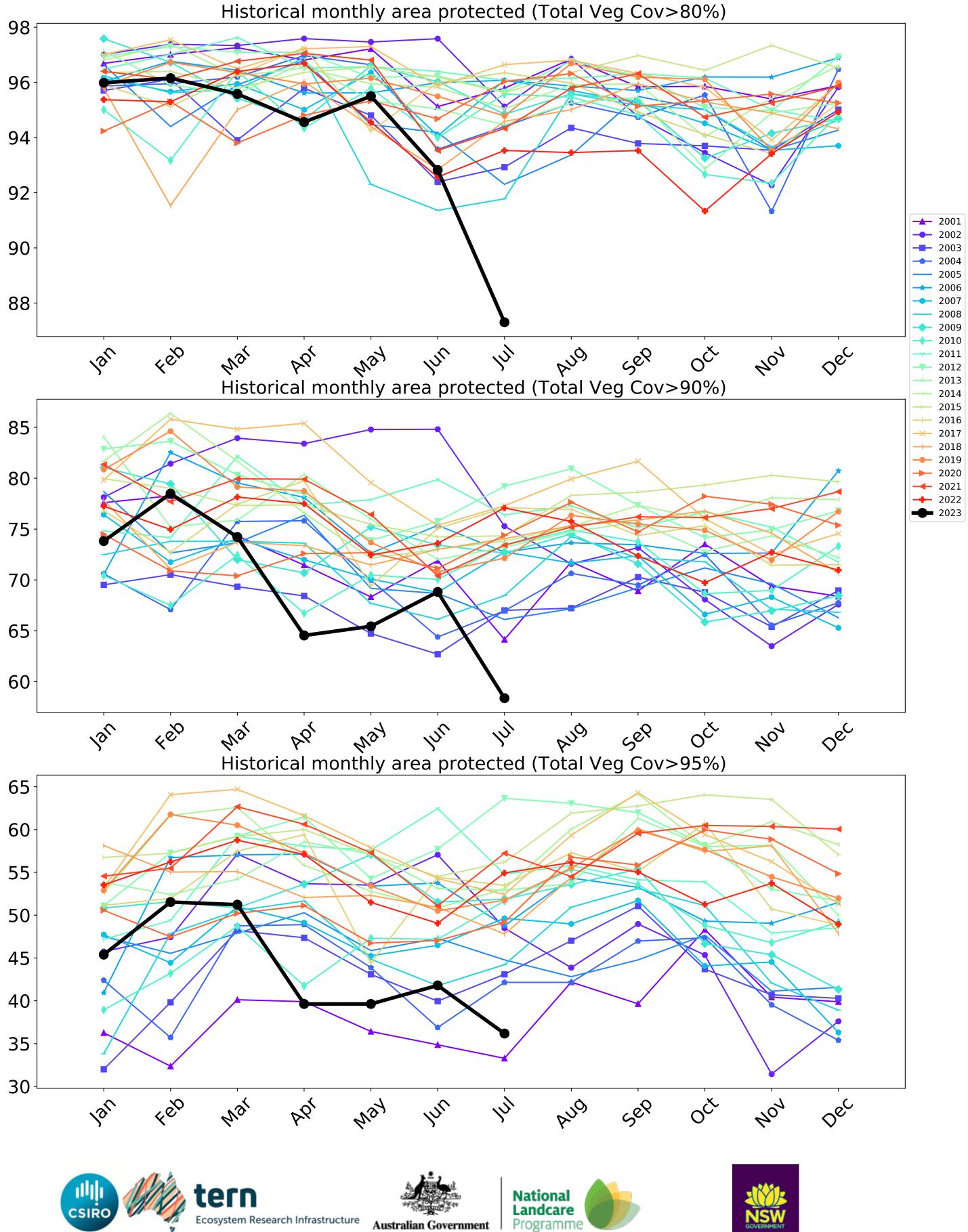
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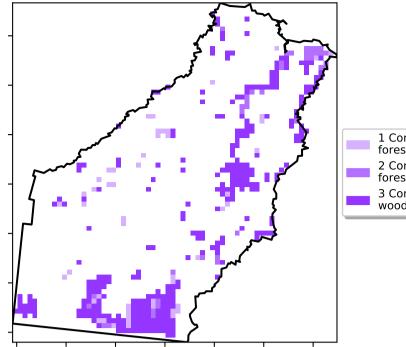






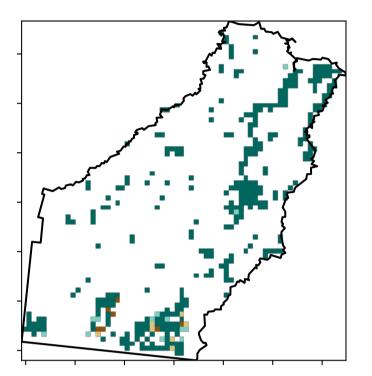
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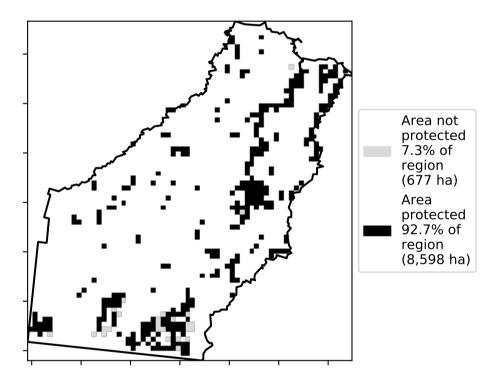


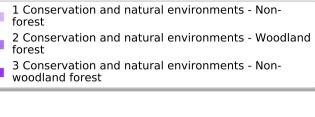
Land use and forest cover

**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 









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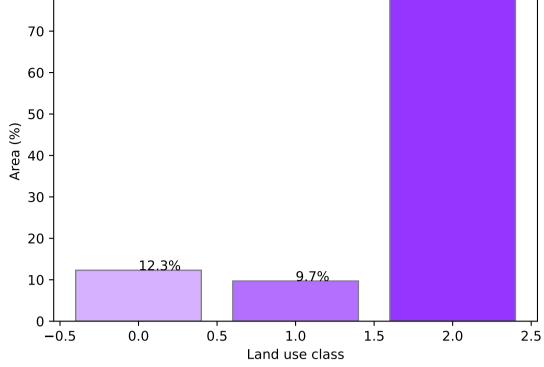
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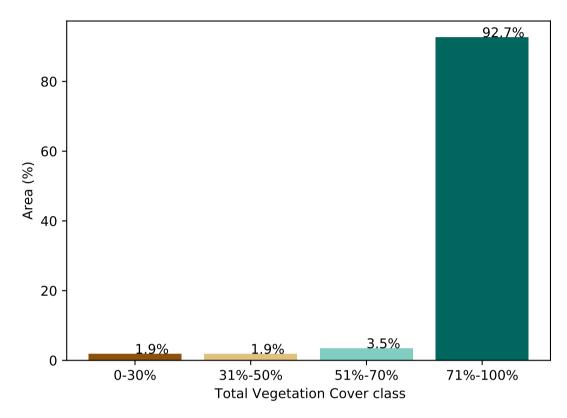
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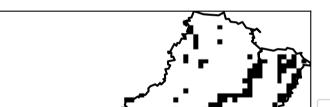
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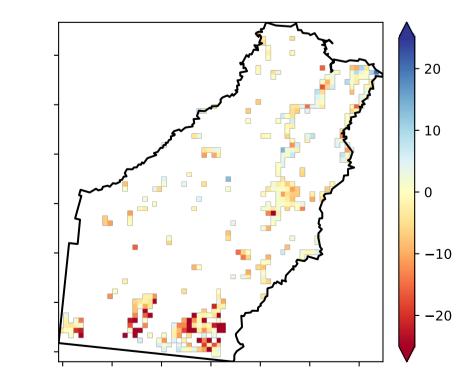
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



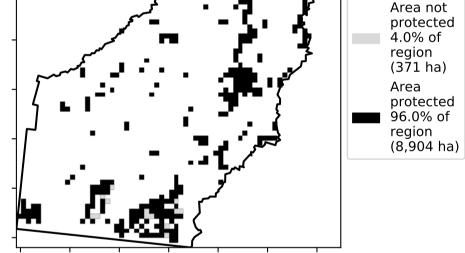
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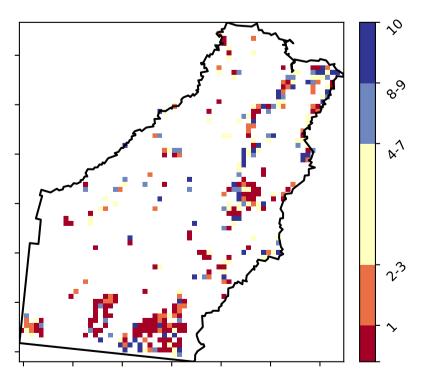
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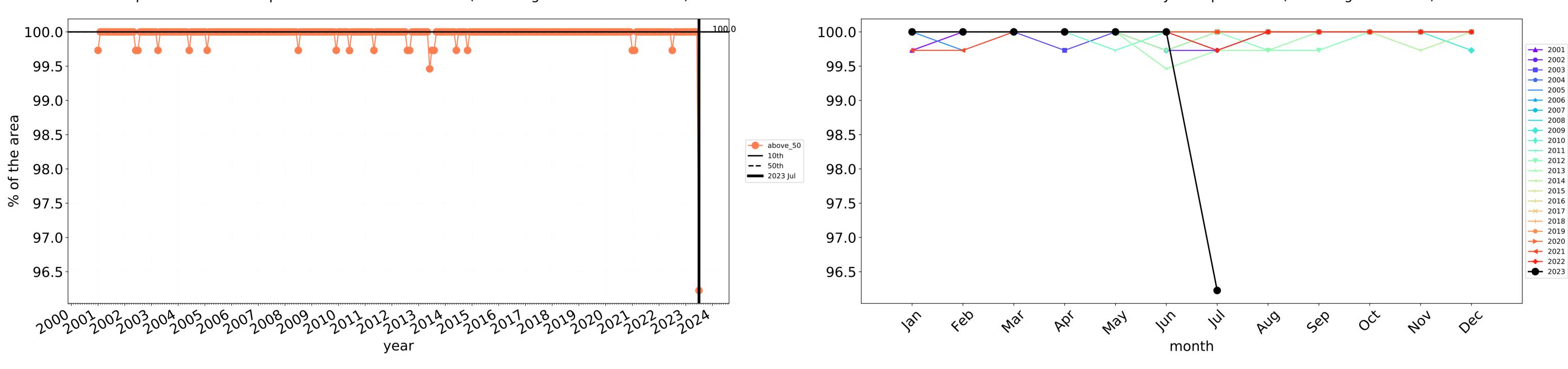






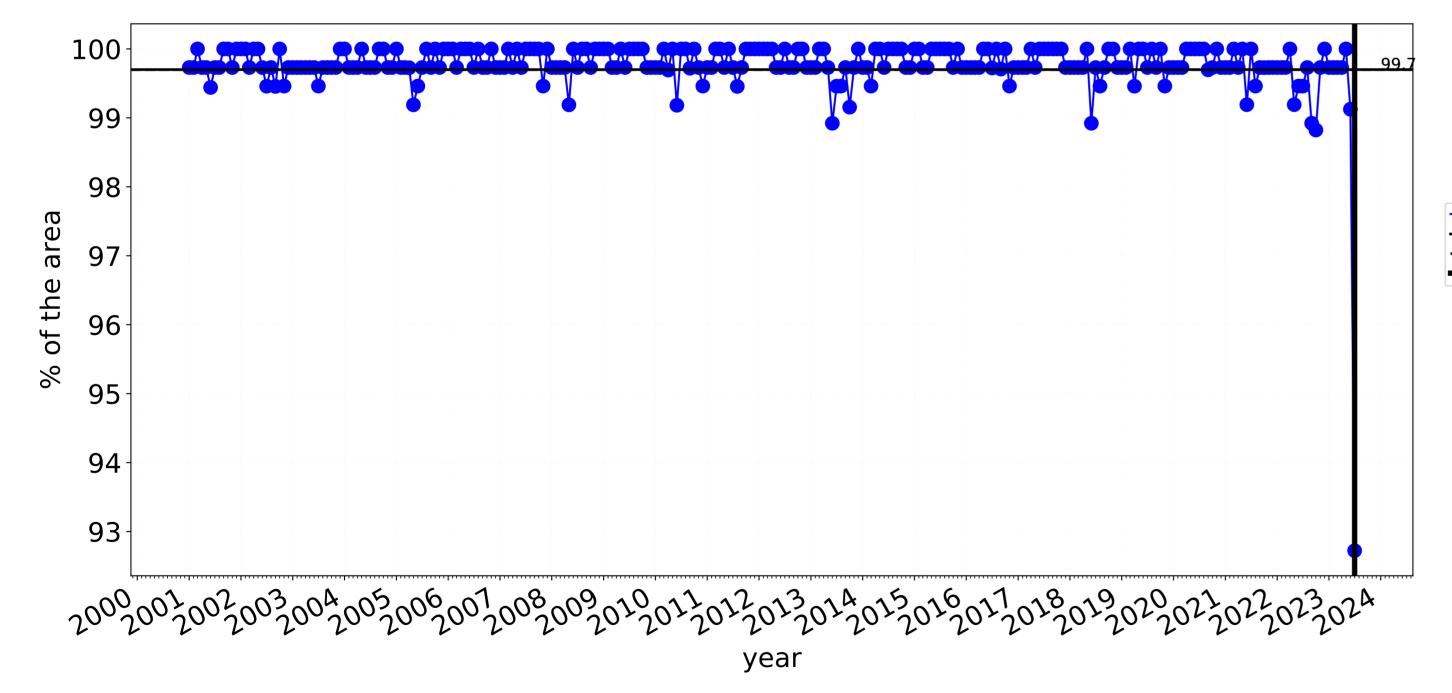
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

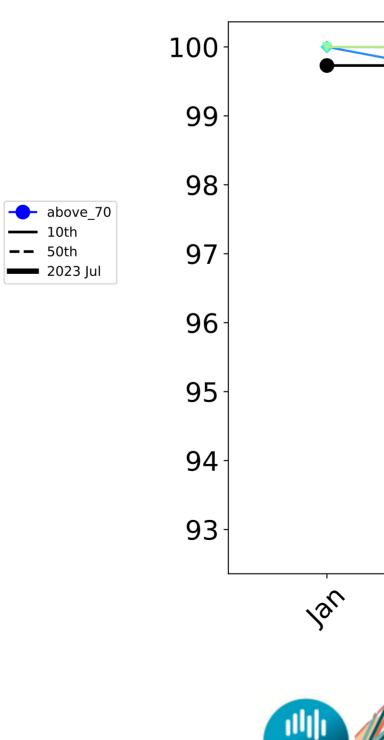
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



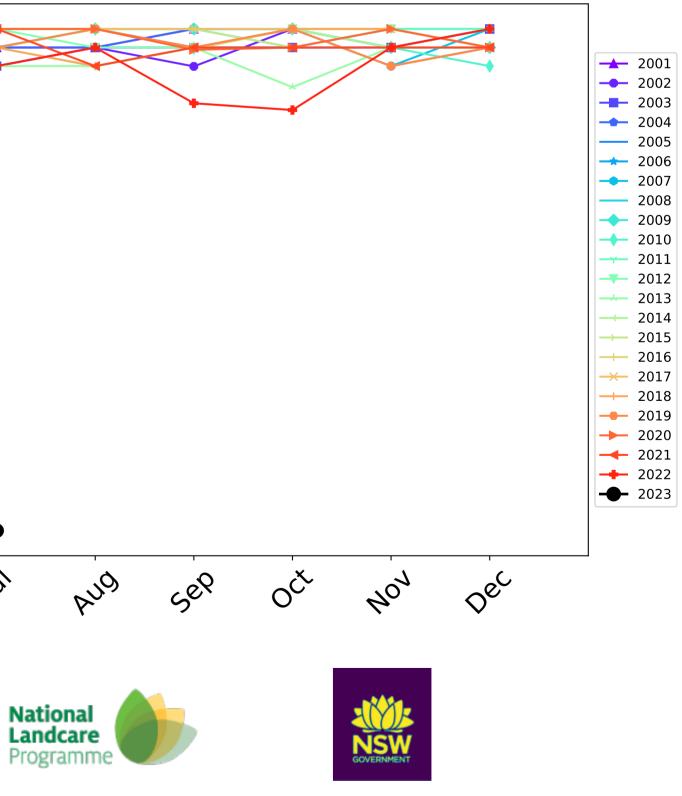
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

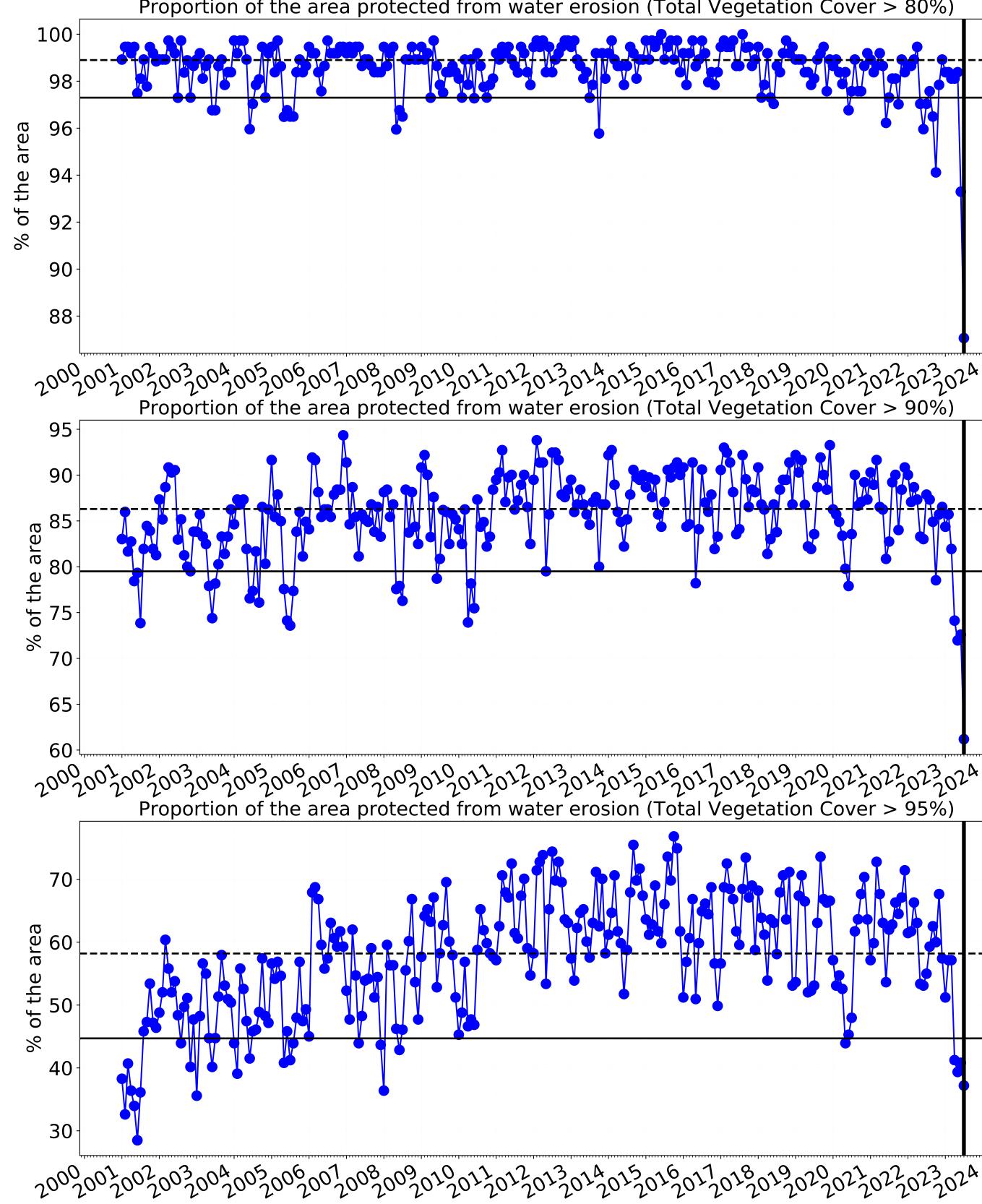
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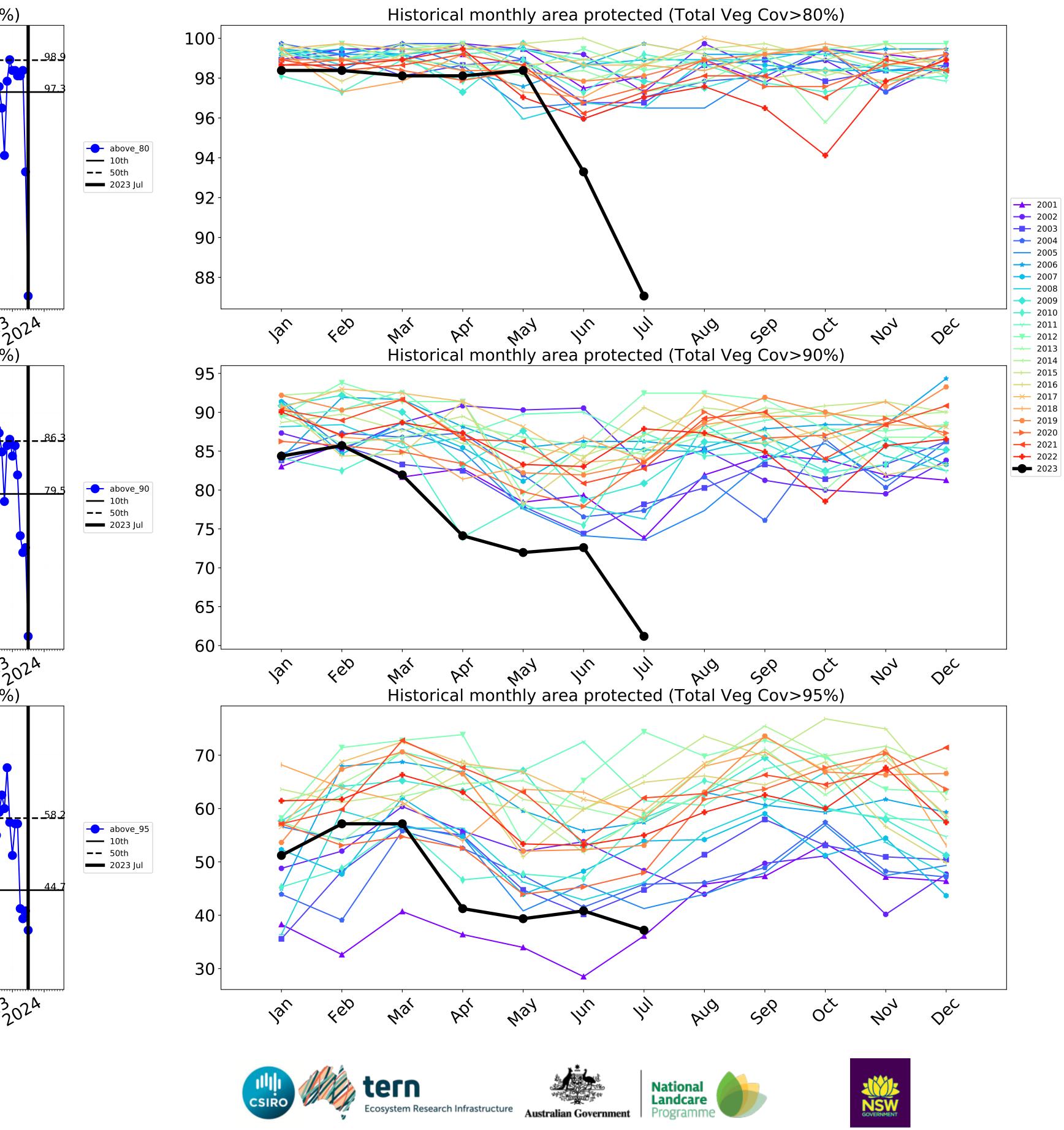


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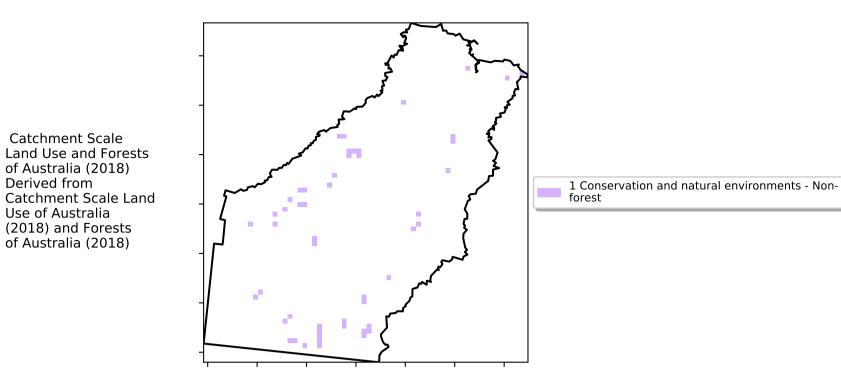
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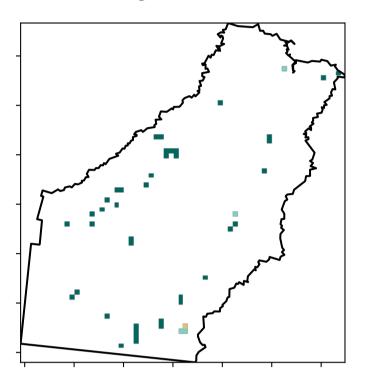


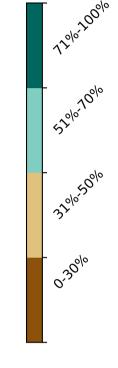
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Land use and forest cover

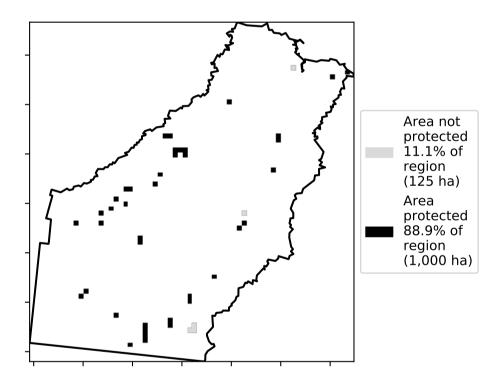


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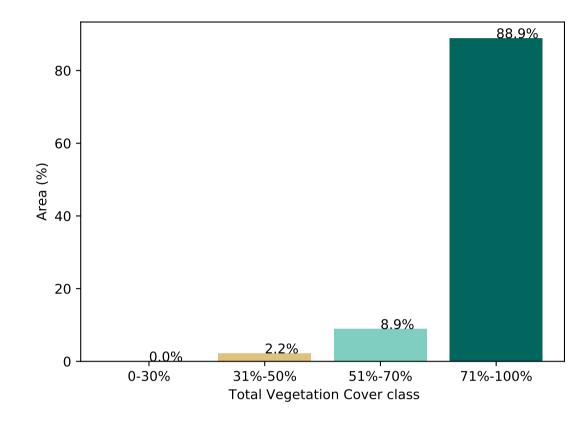




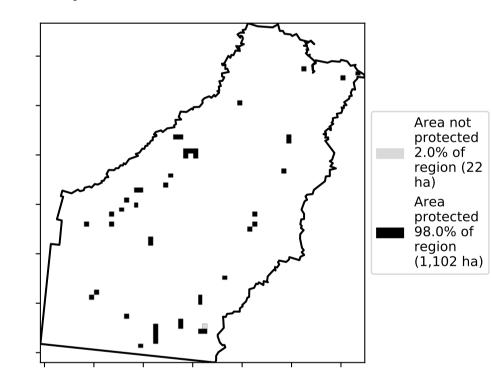
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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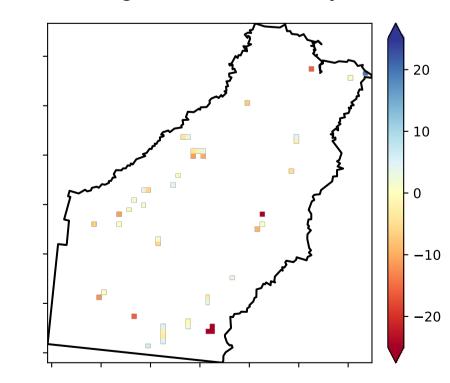
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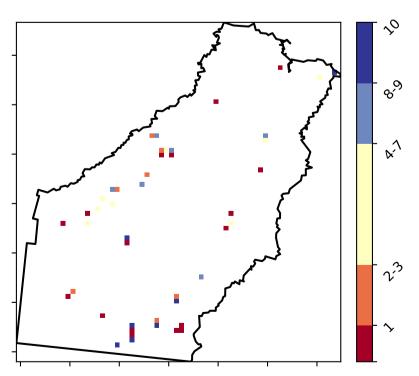
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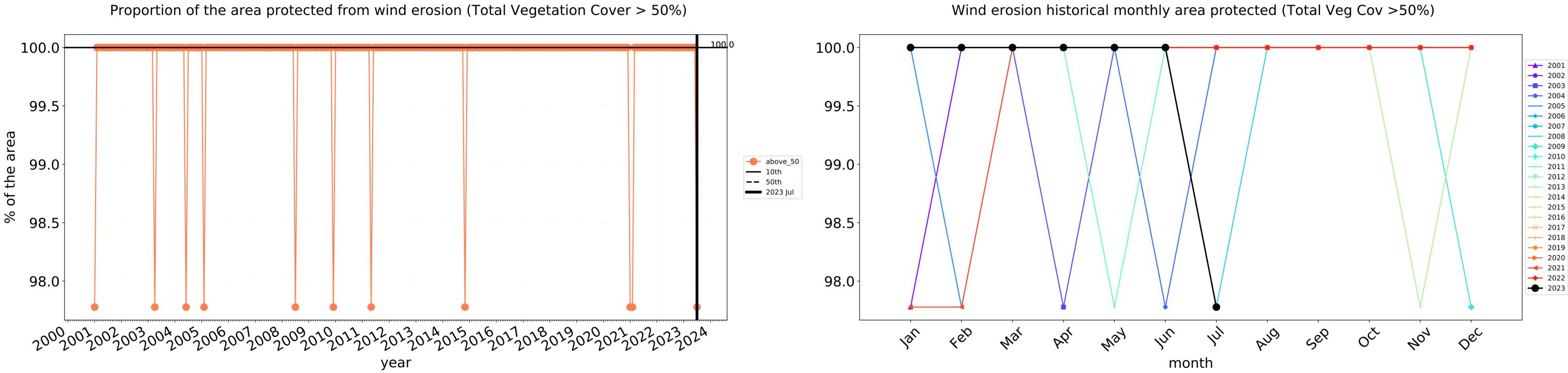
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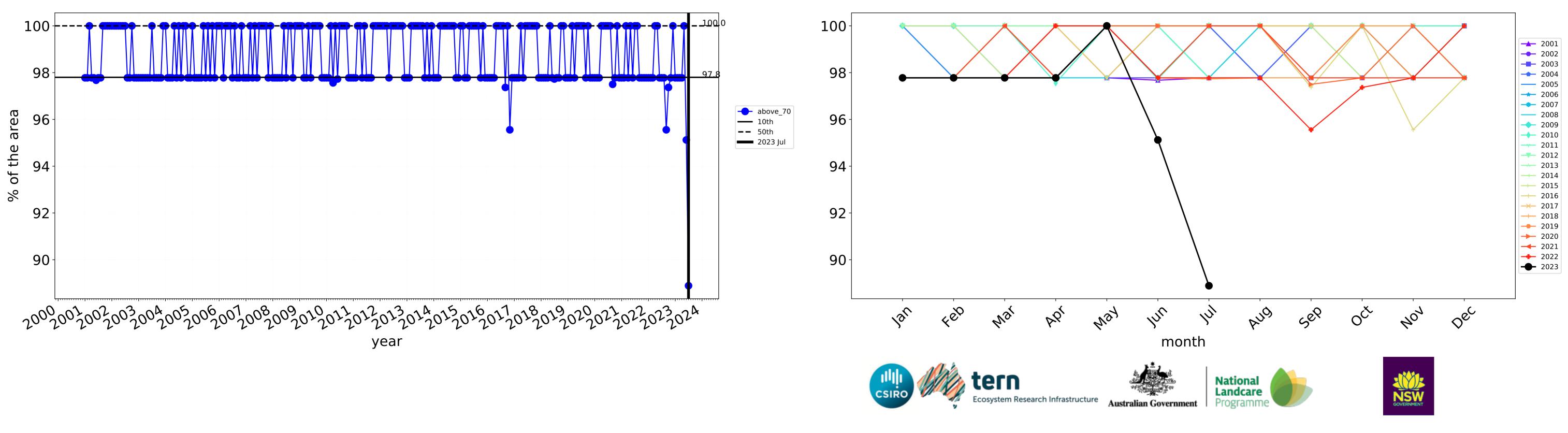




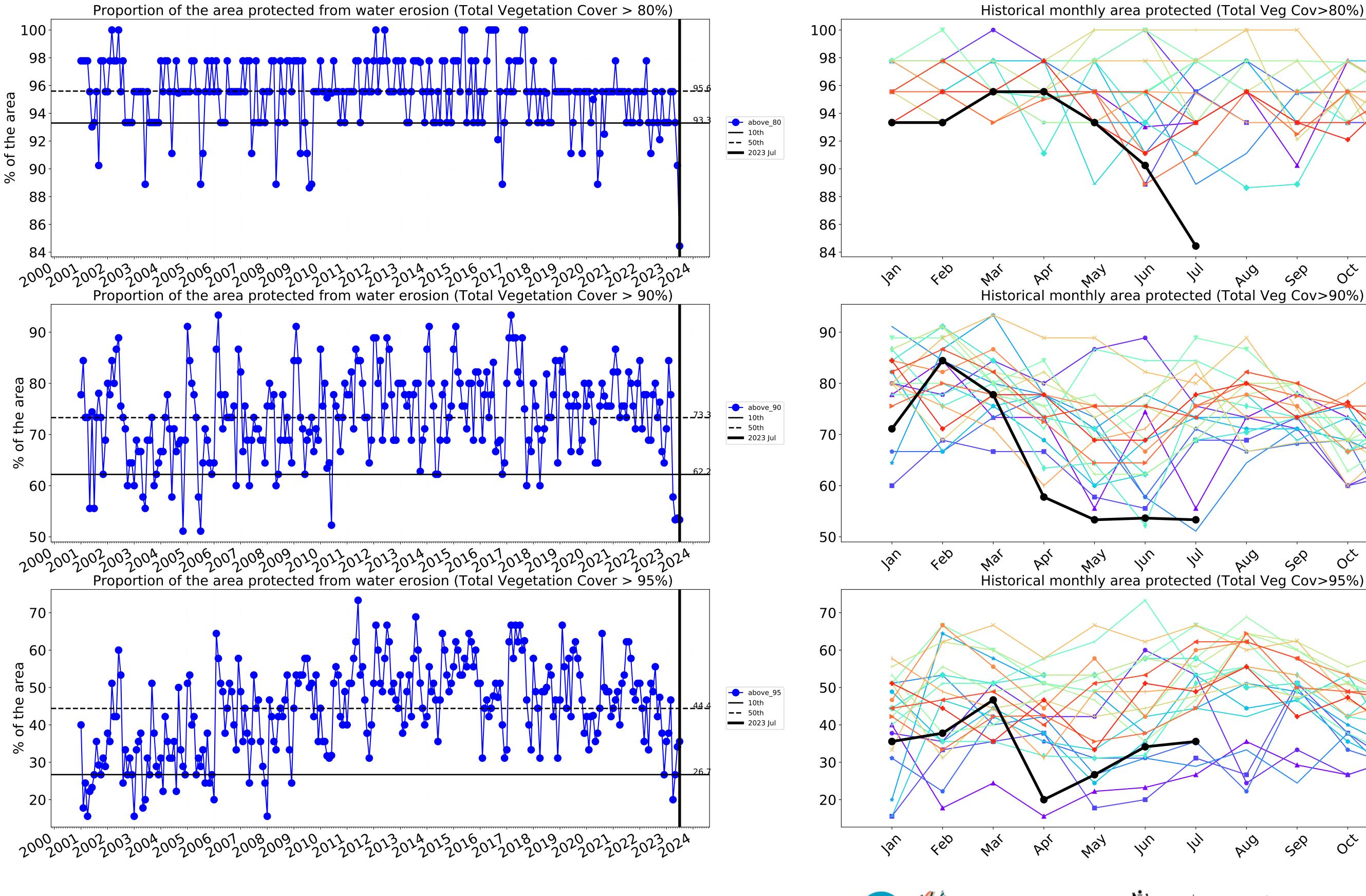
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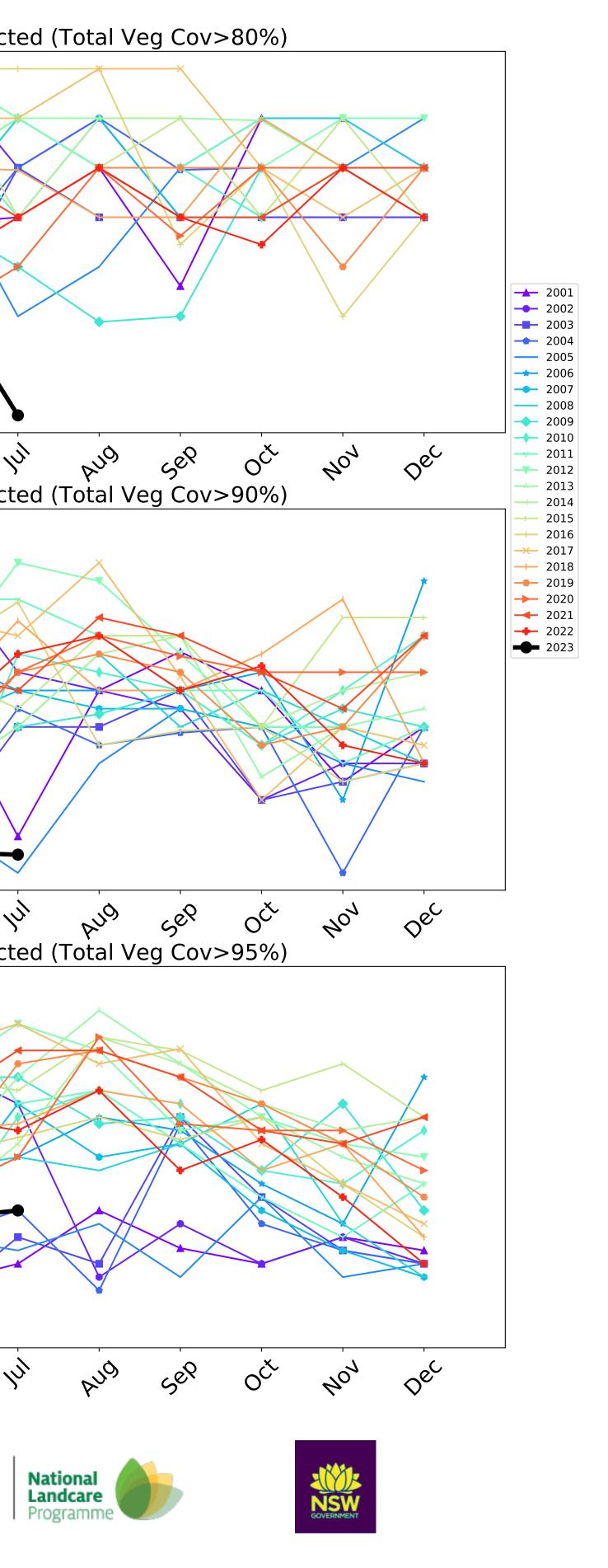
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)







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

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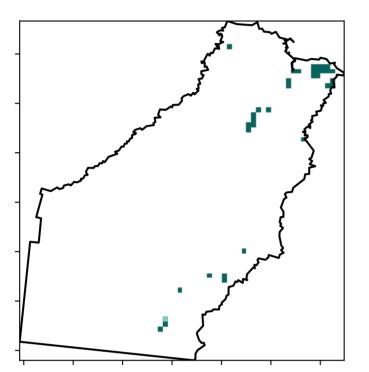
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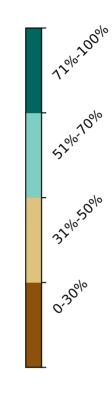
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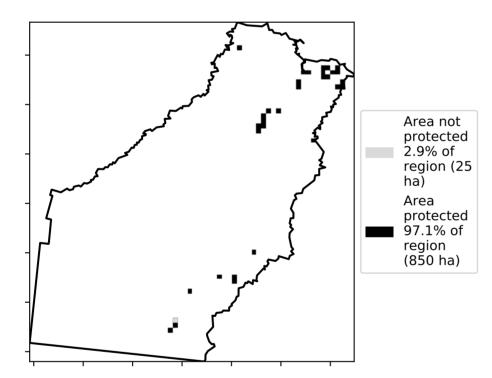
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**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

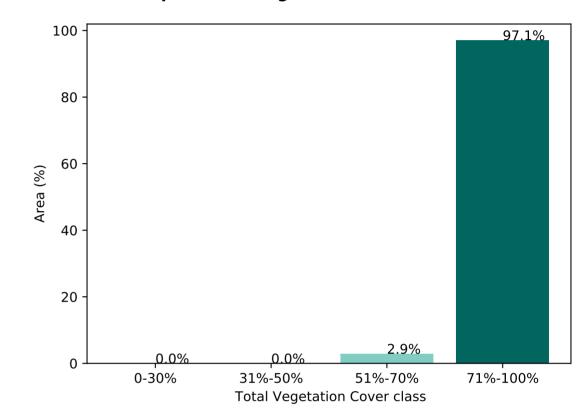




% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



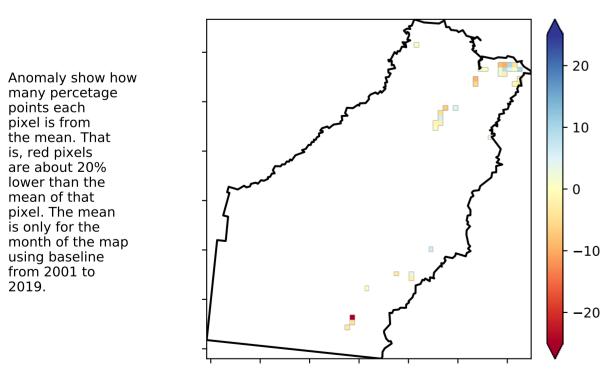
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



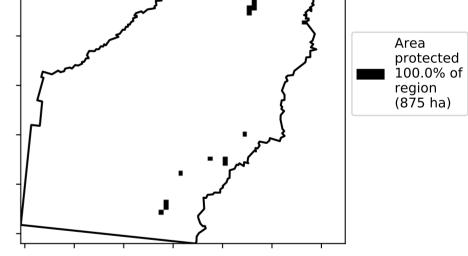
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



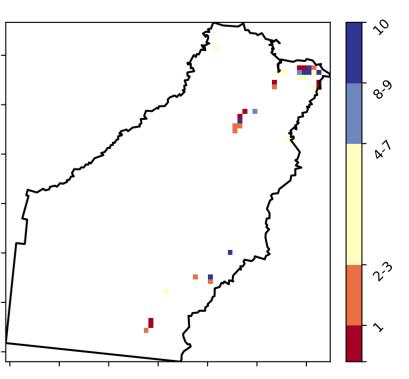
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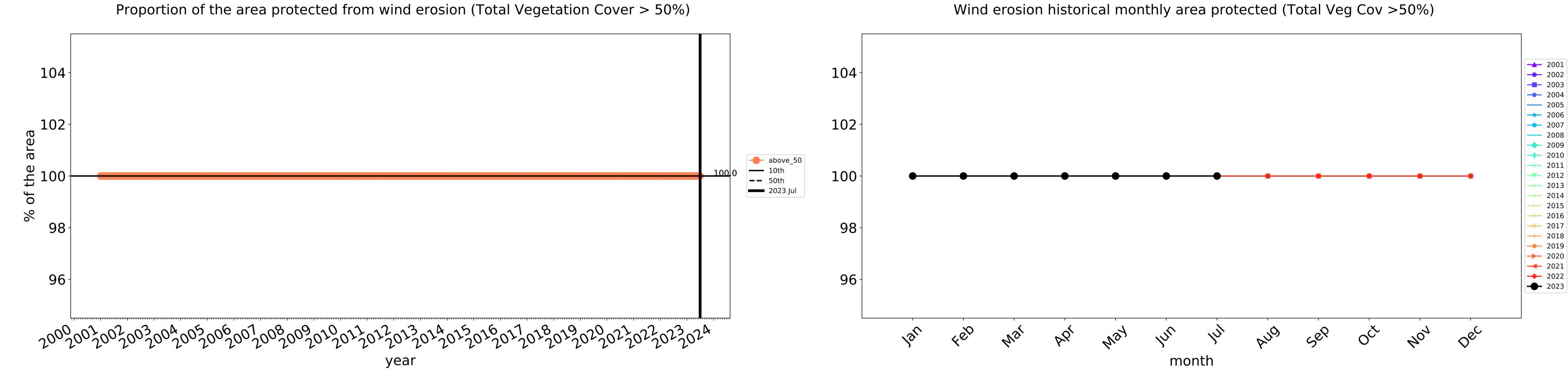


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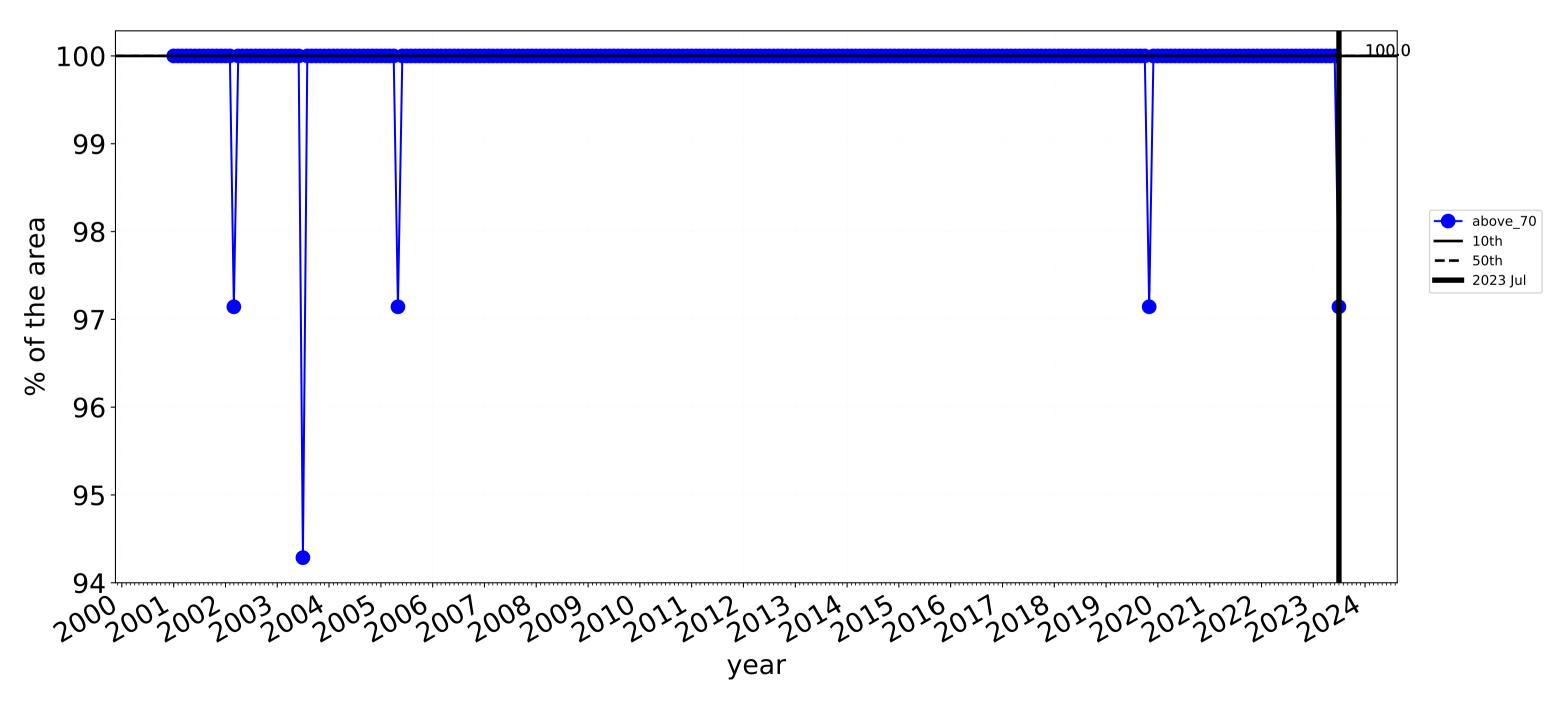




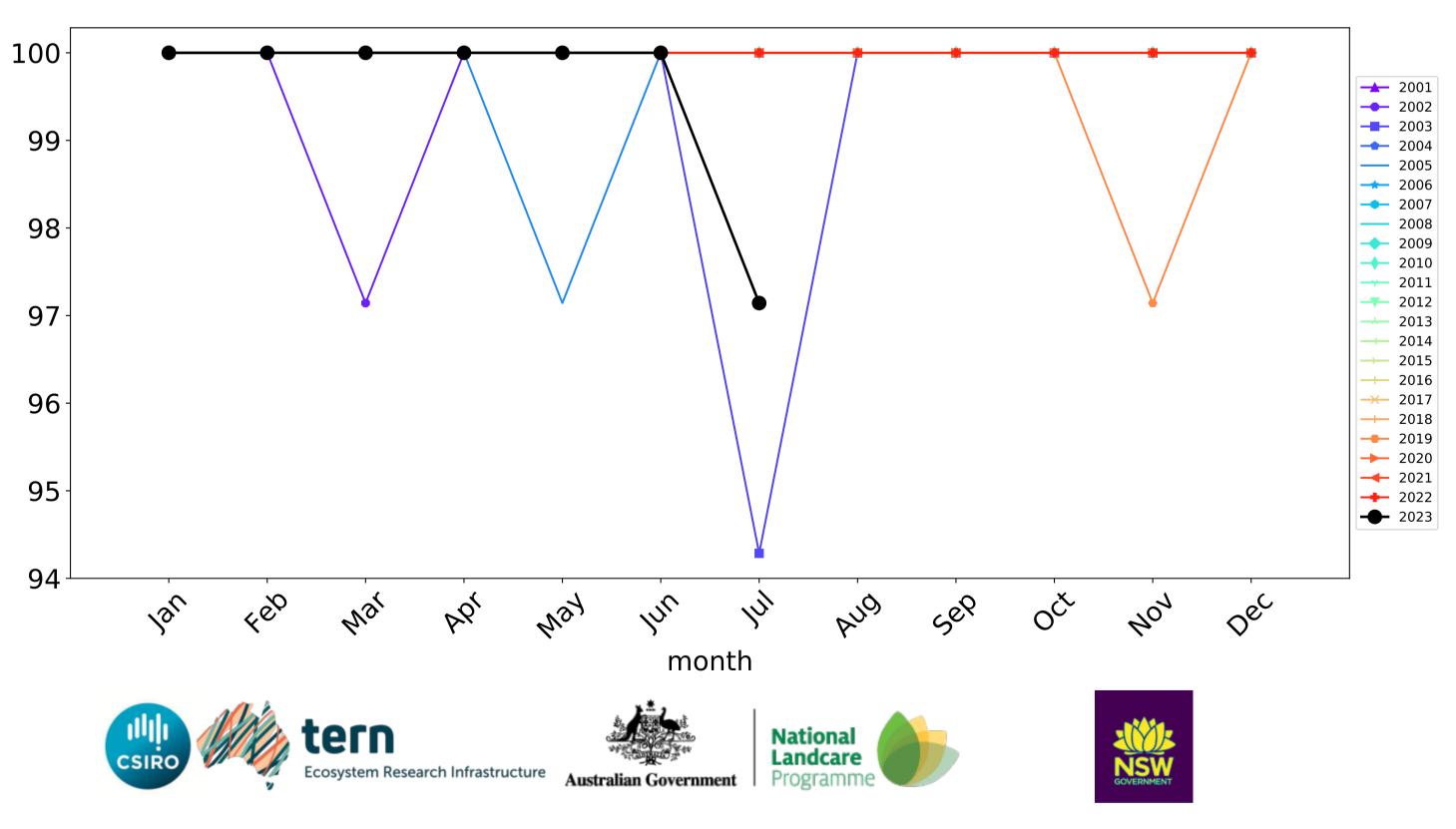


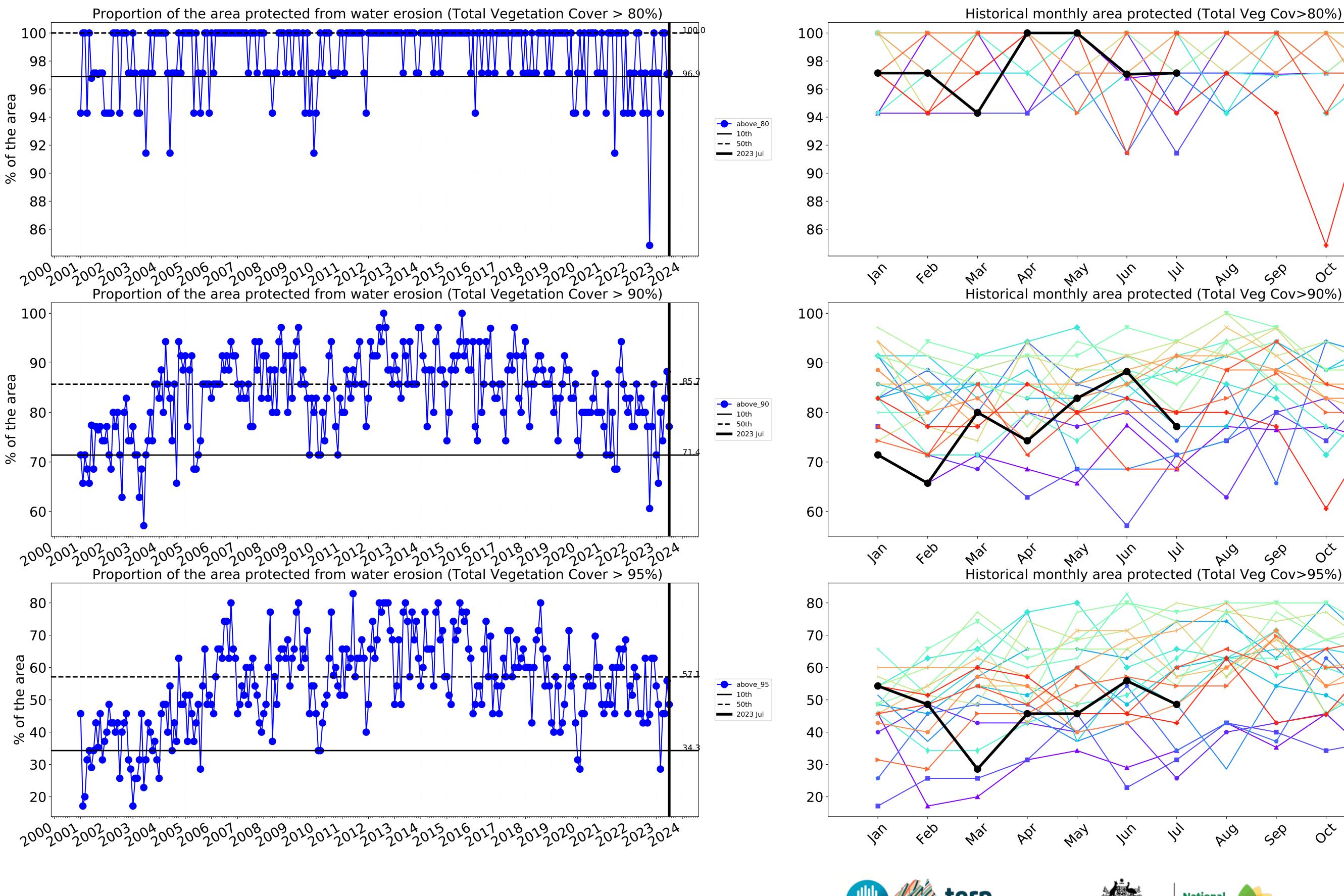


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

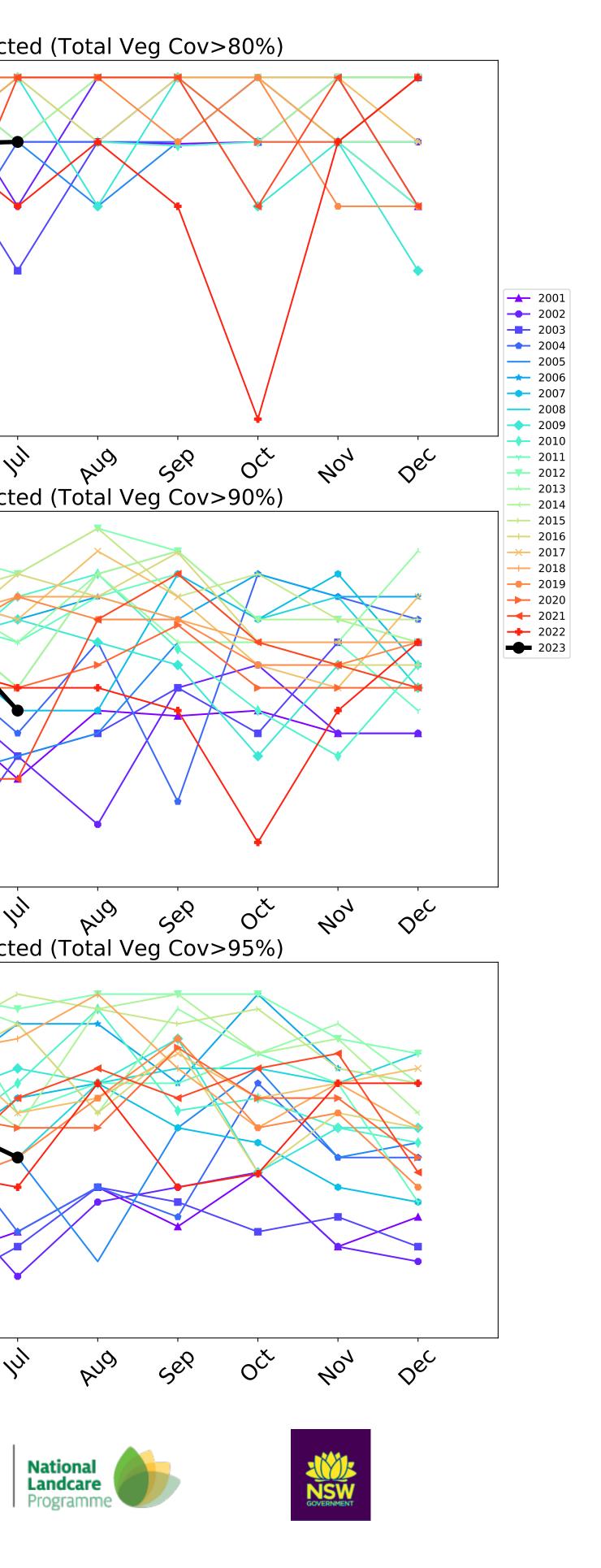


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



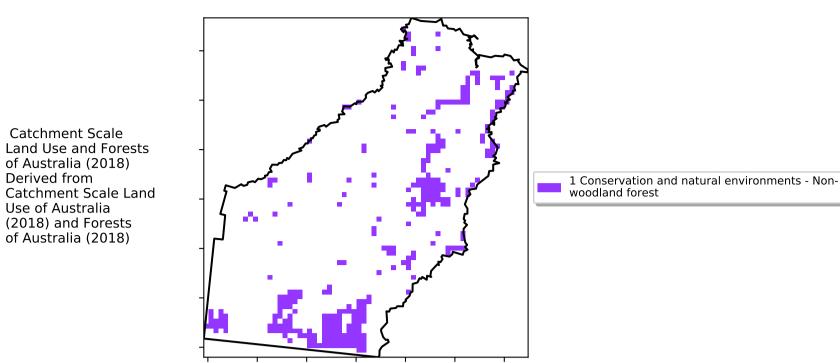


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### **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

Land use and forest cover



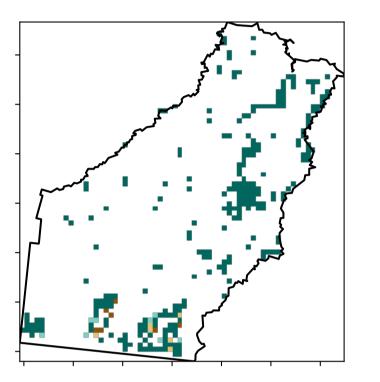
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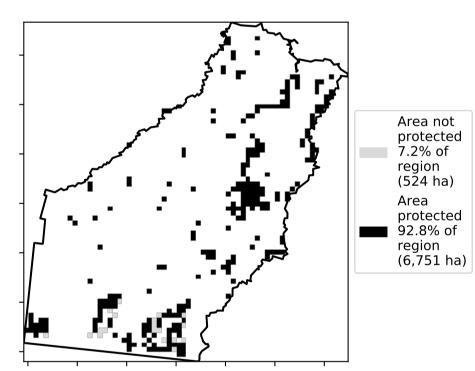
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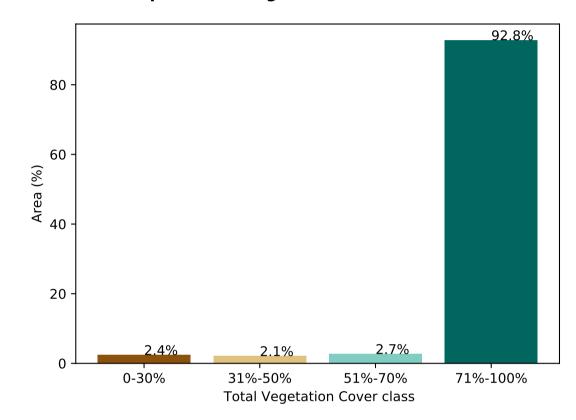
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



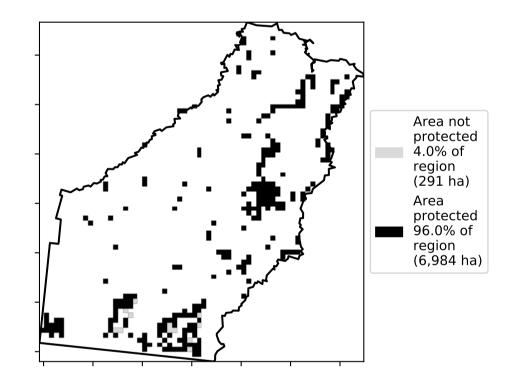
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

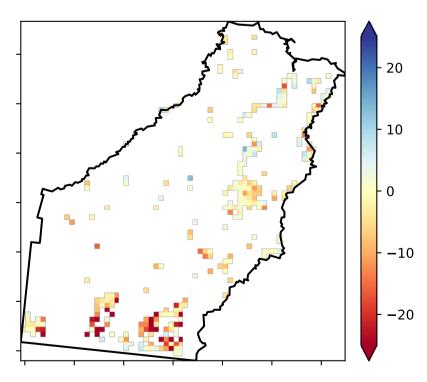


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



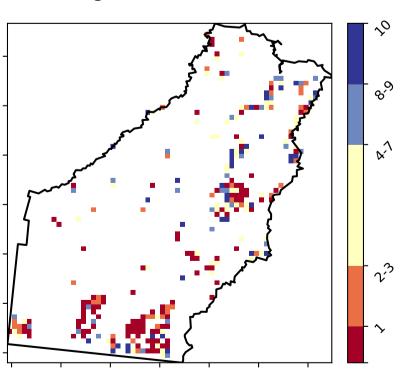
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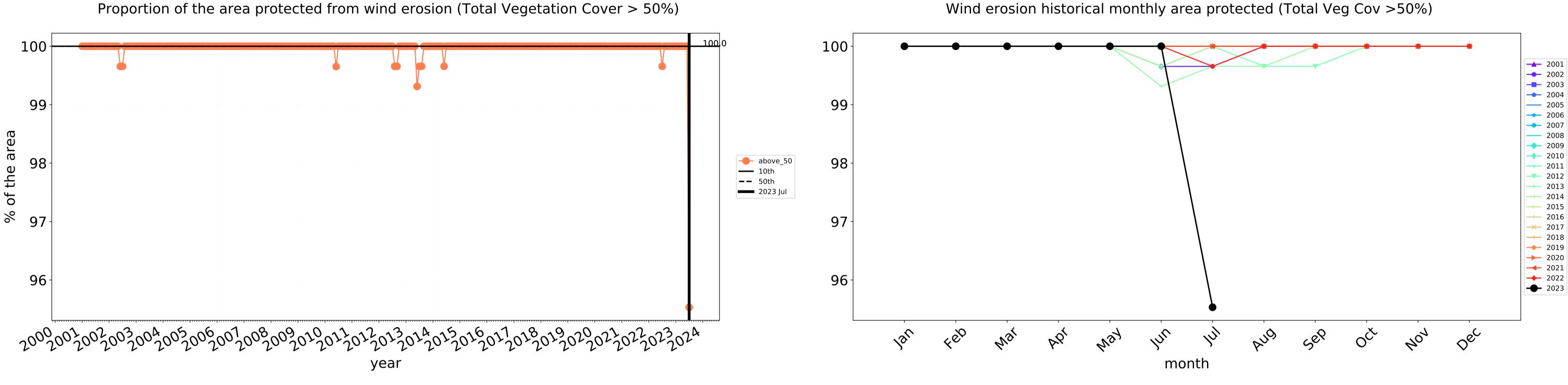
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



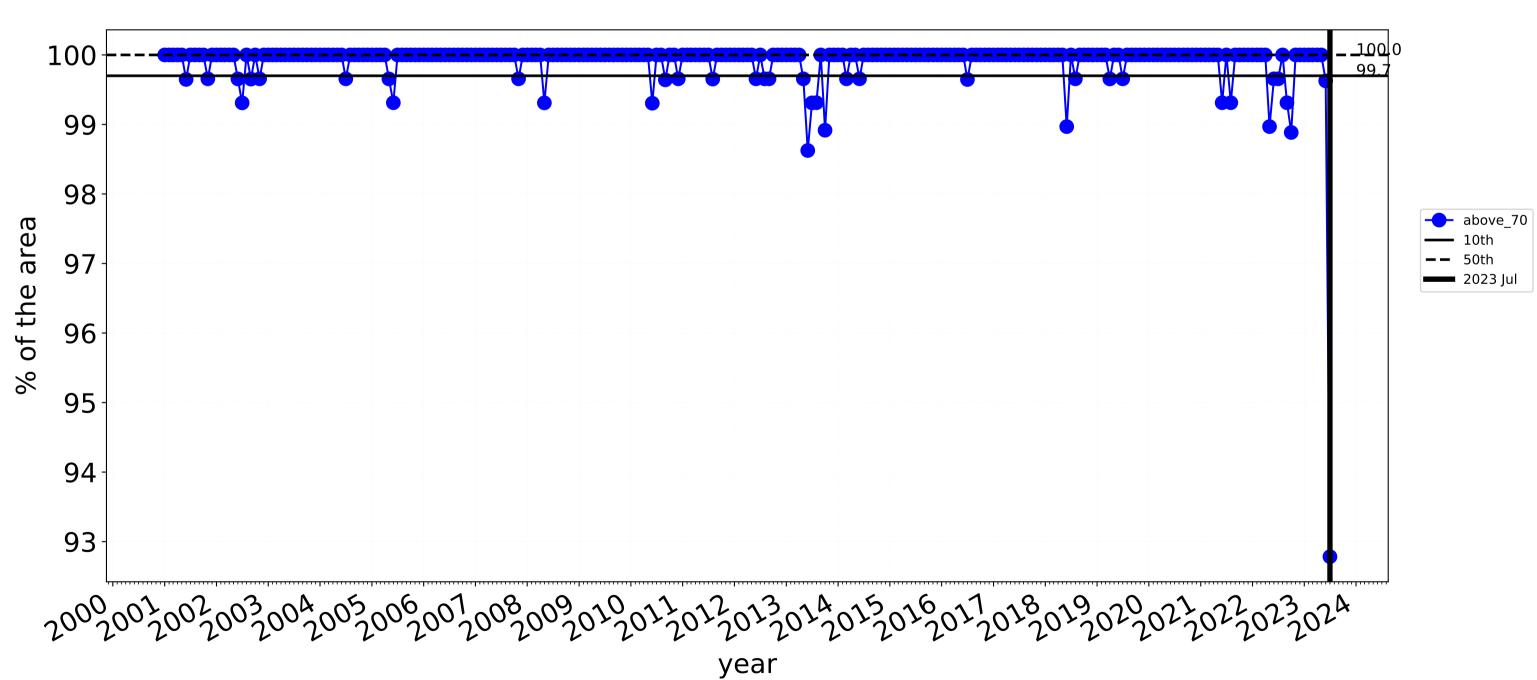


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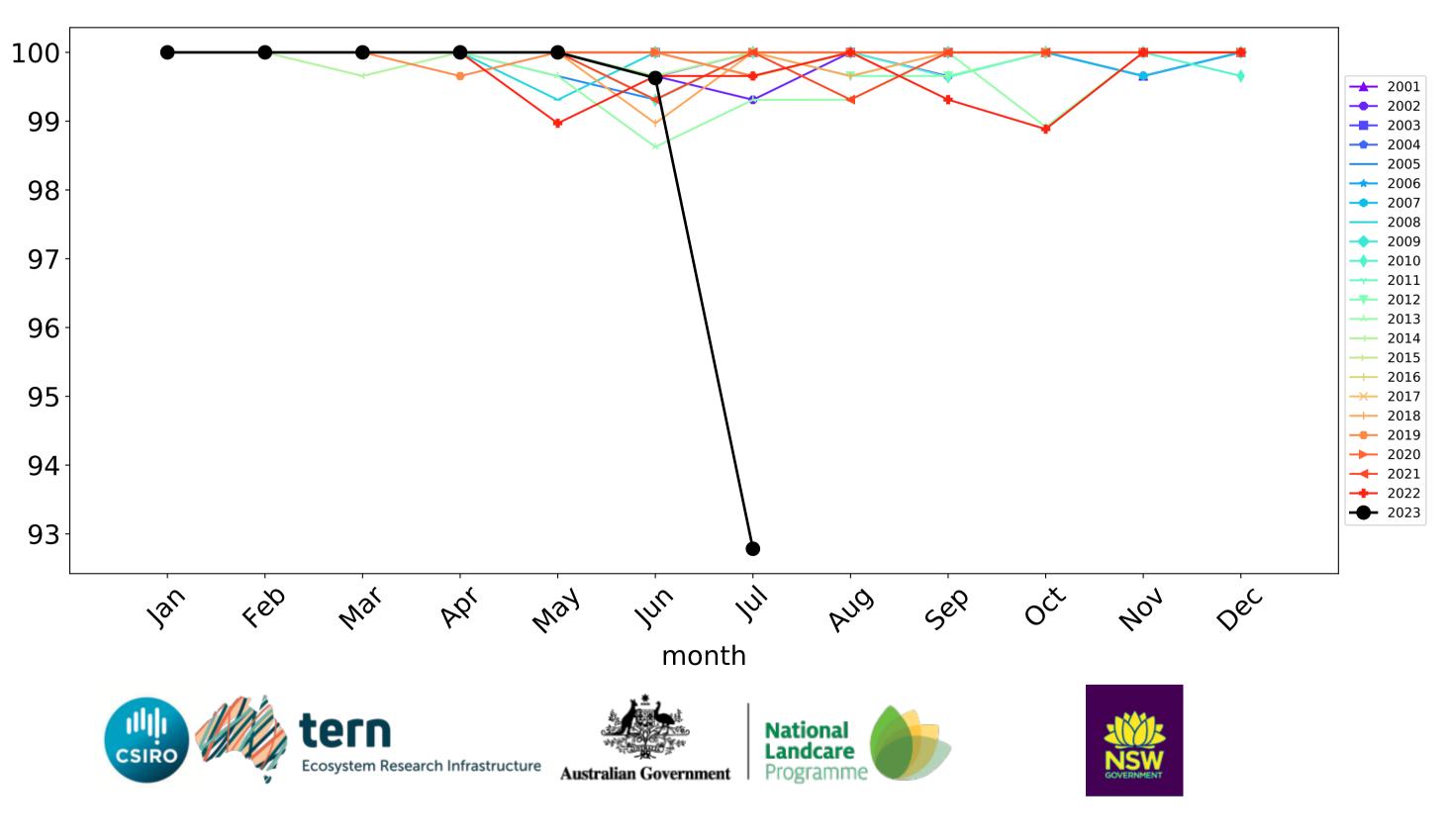


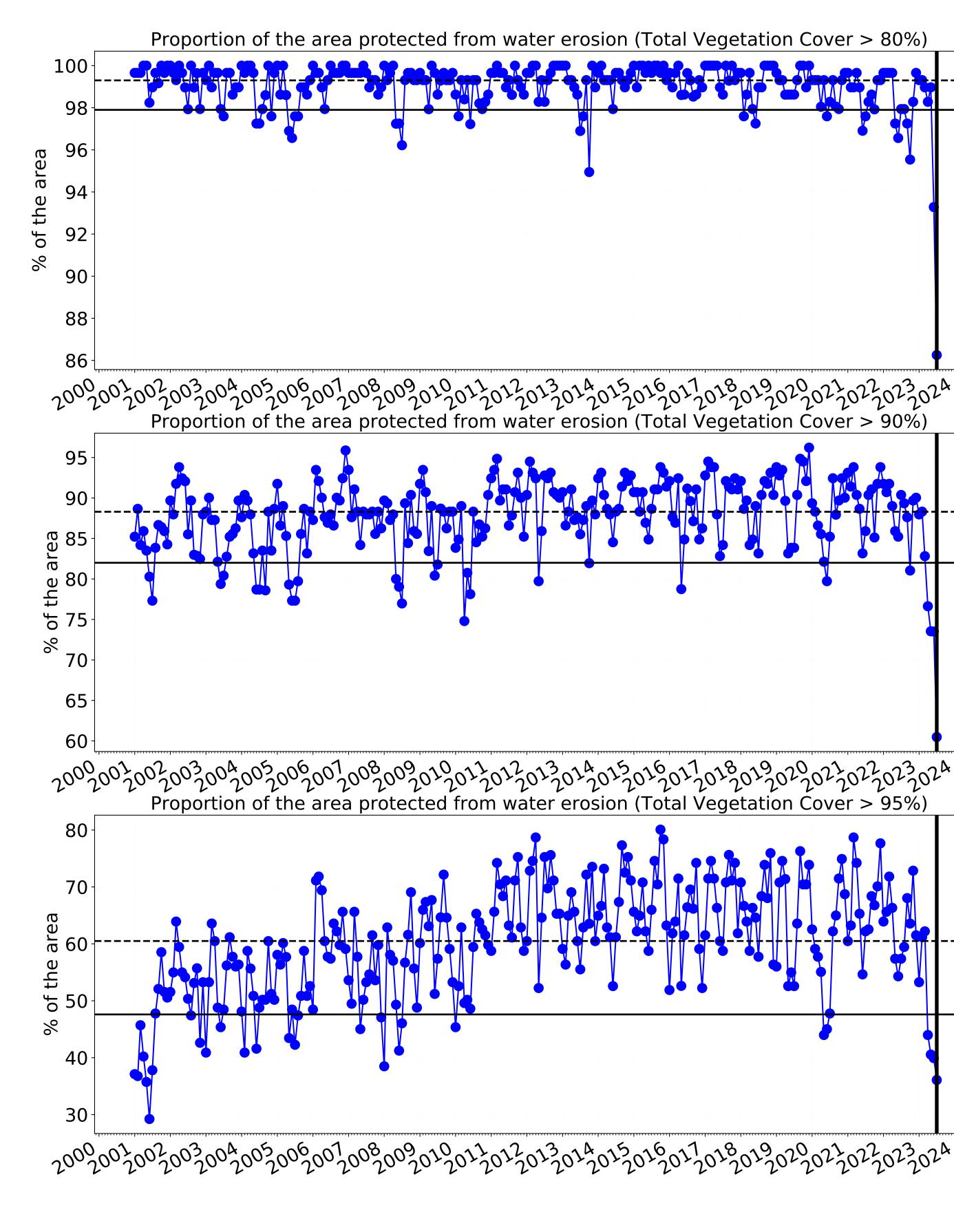
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

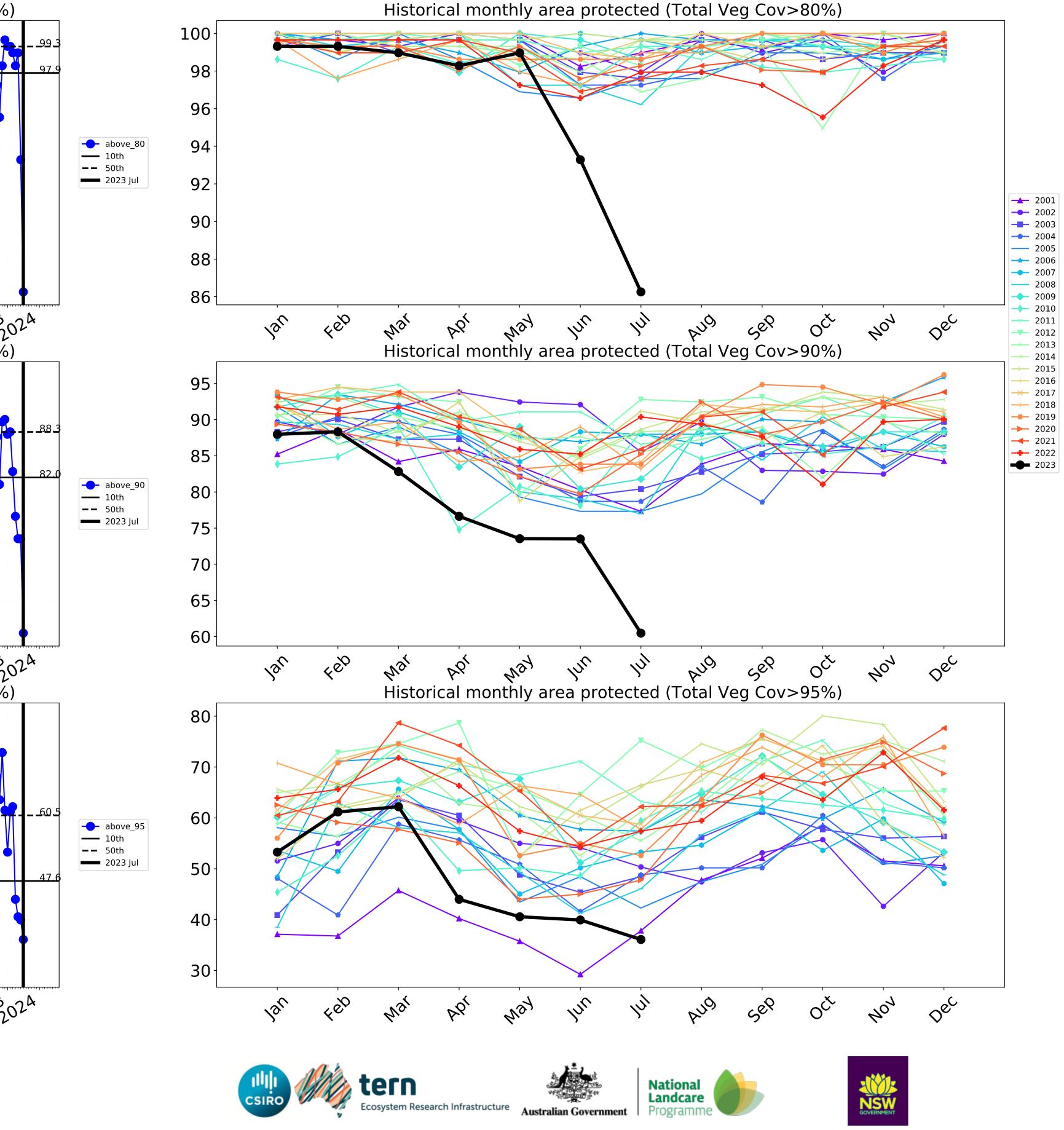
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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







### Agriculture

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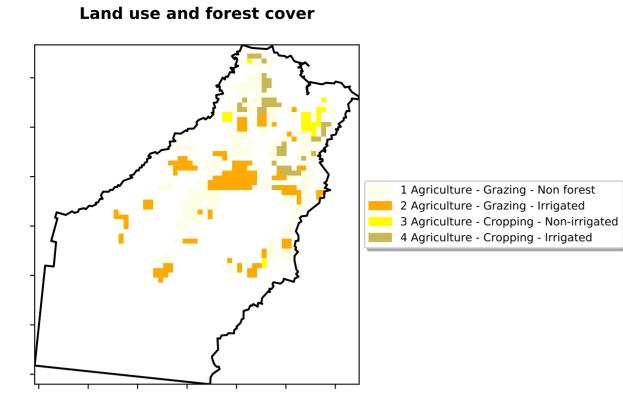
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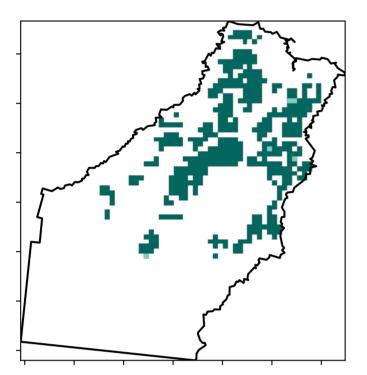
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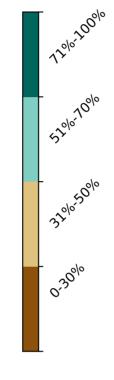
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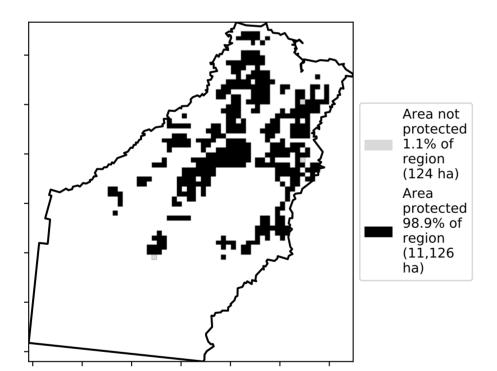


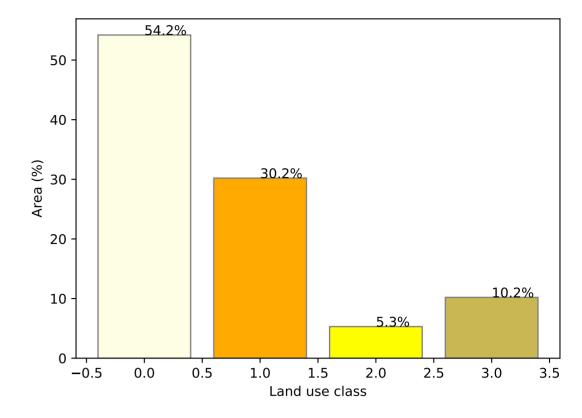
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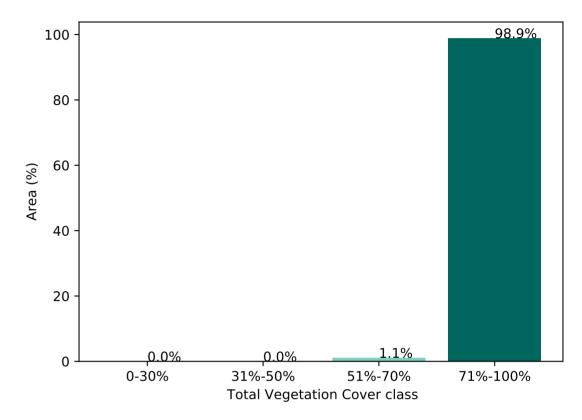
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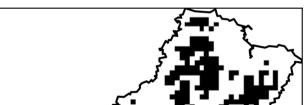


### Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

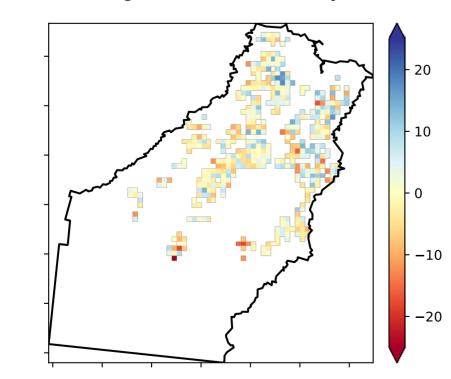


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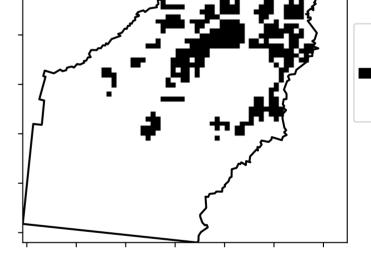
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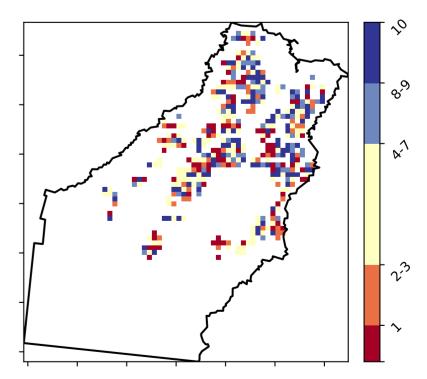
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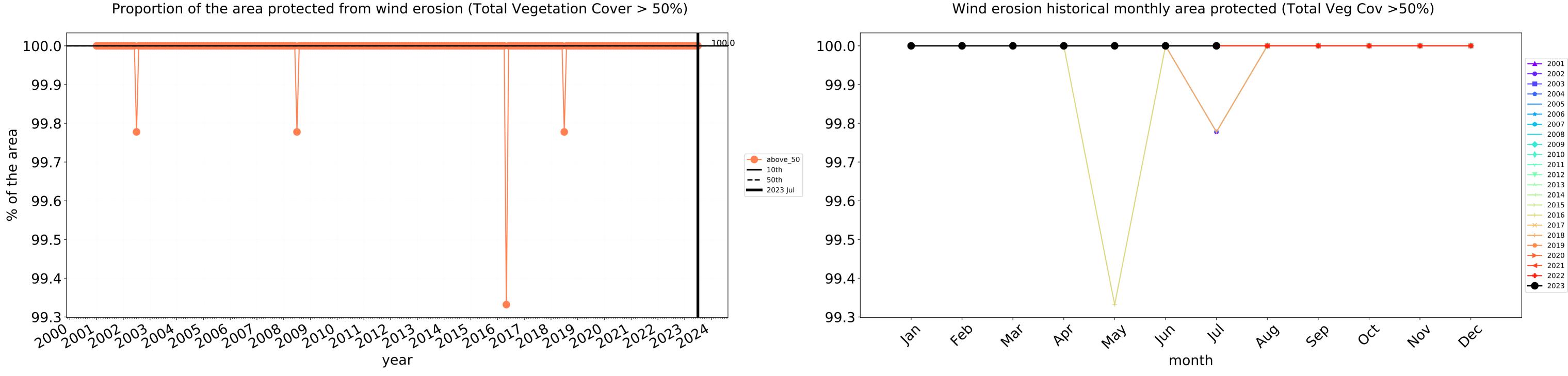


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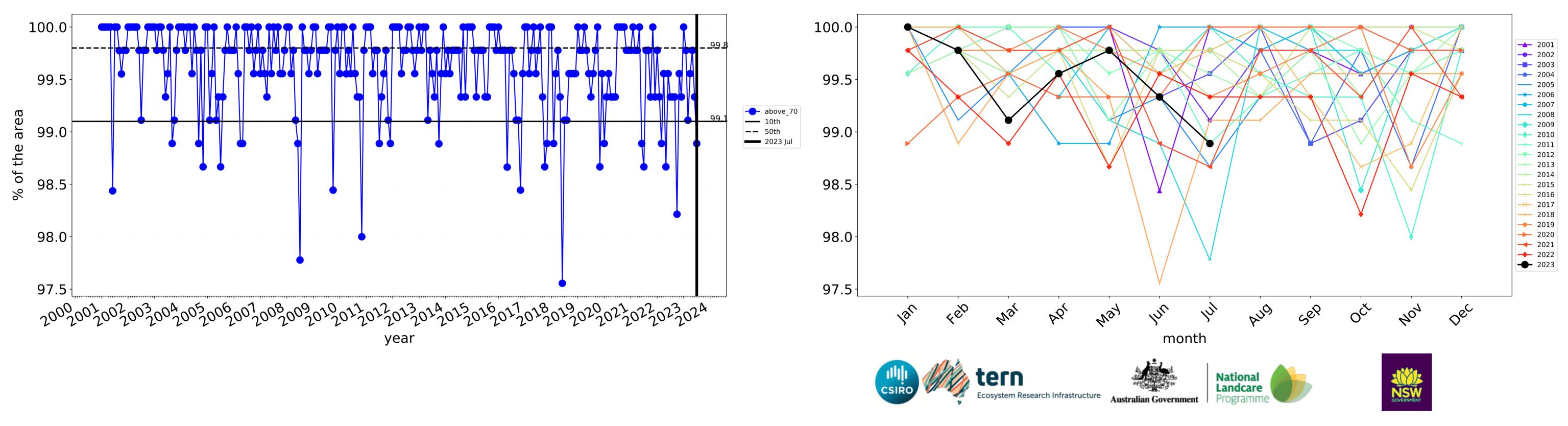




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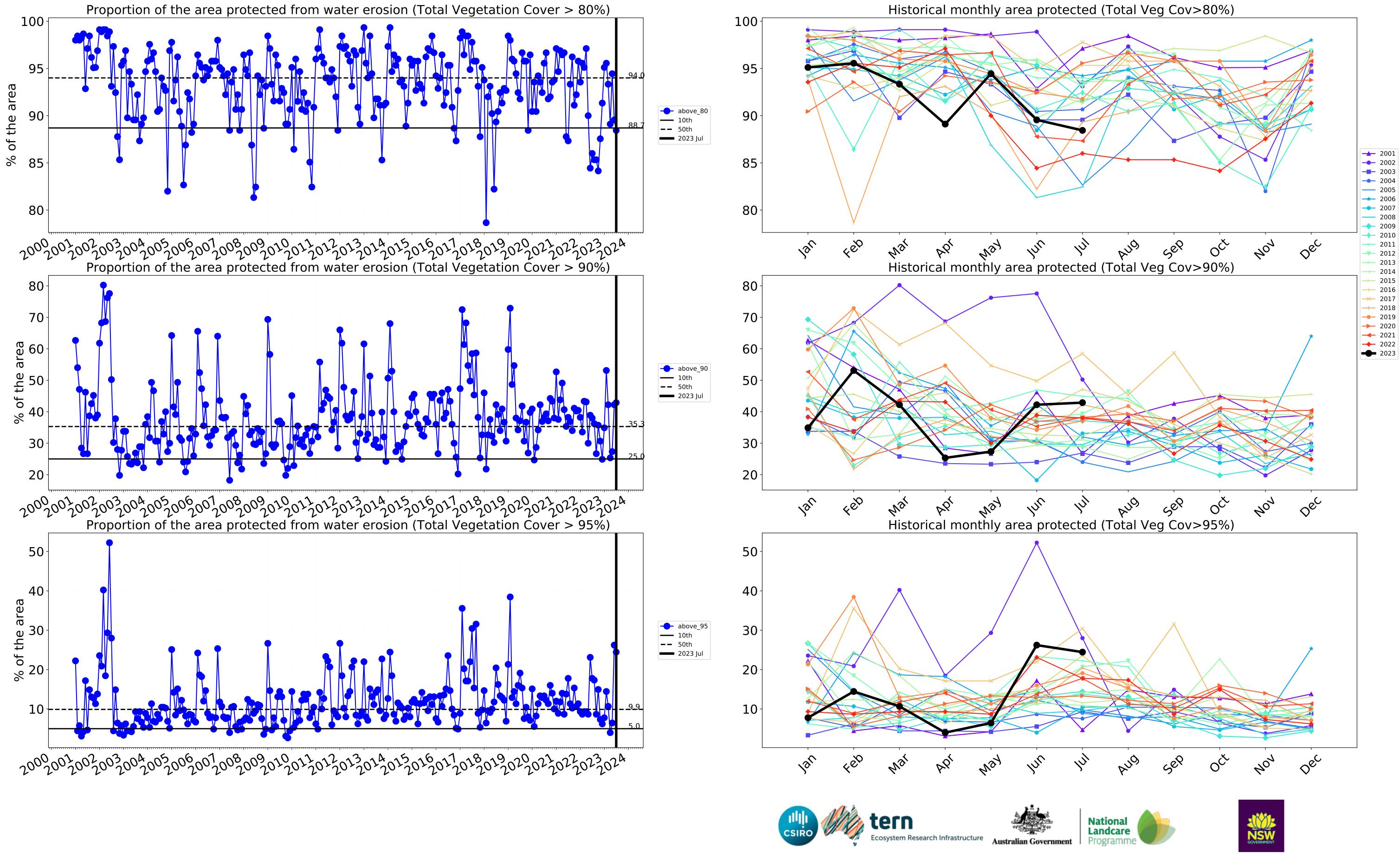






# Agriculture timeseries

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



### Grazing

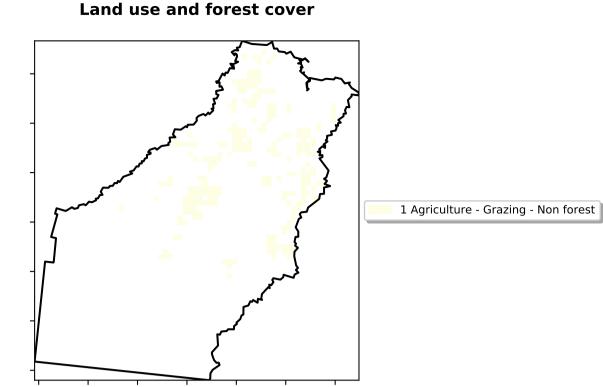
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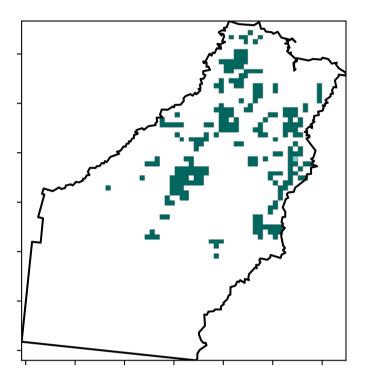
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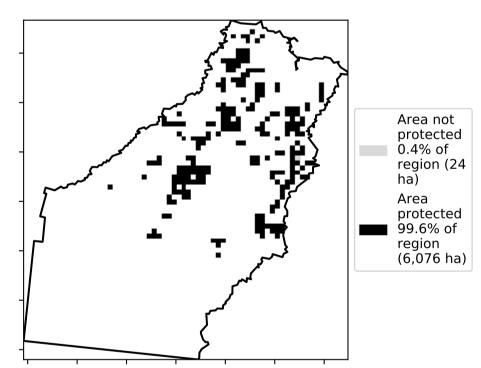
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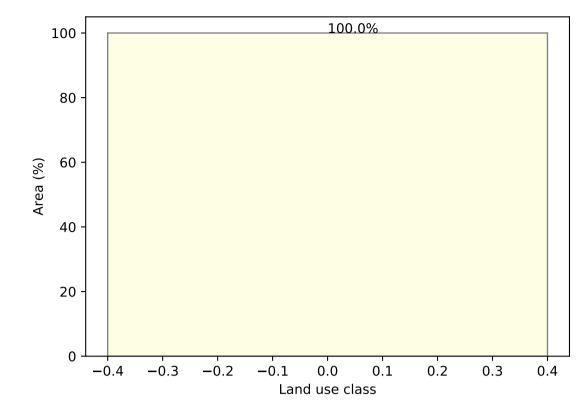


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



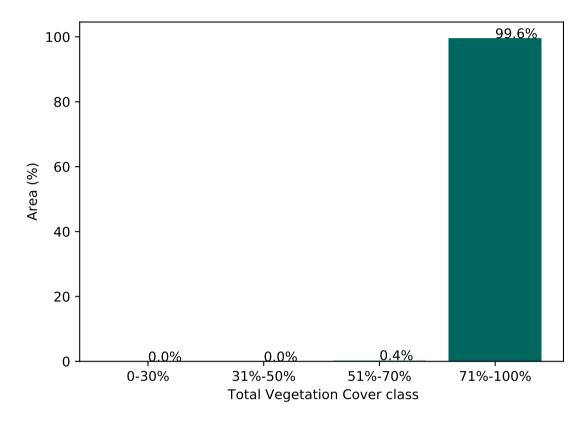




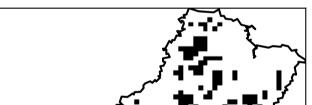


Proportion of each land class in area

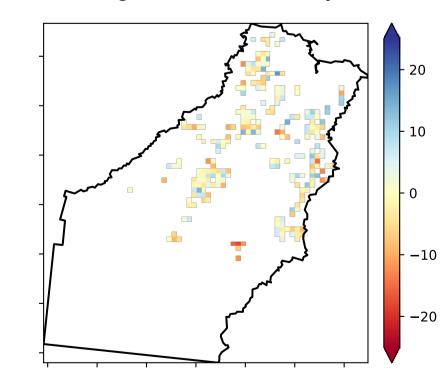
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

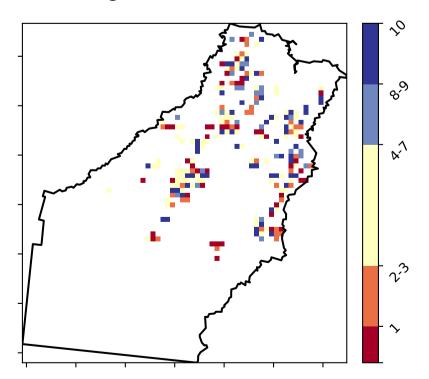


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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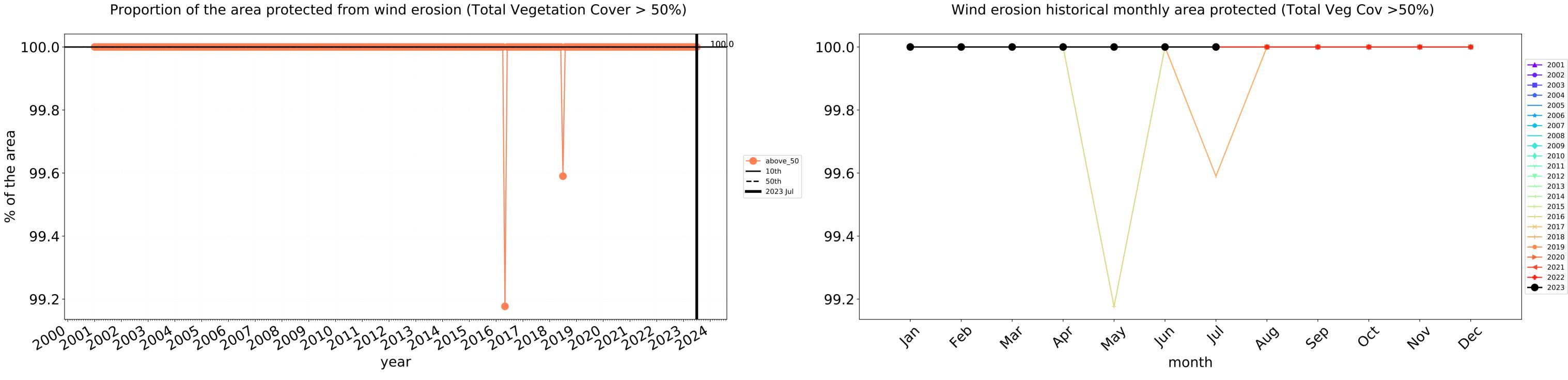
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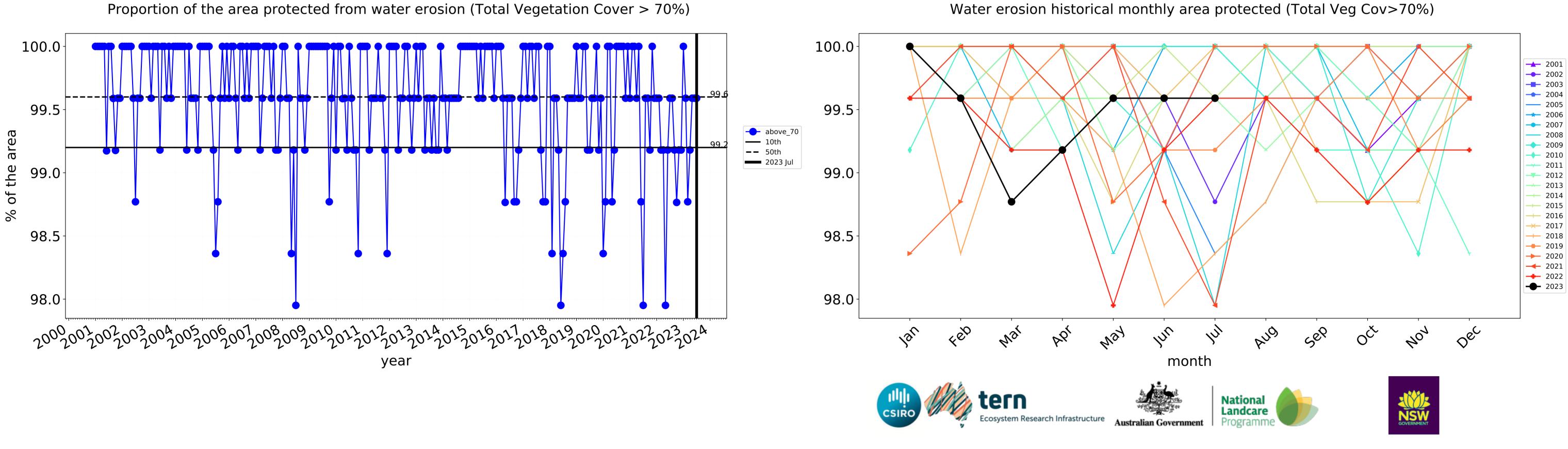


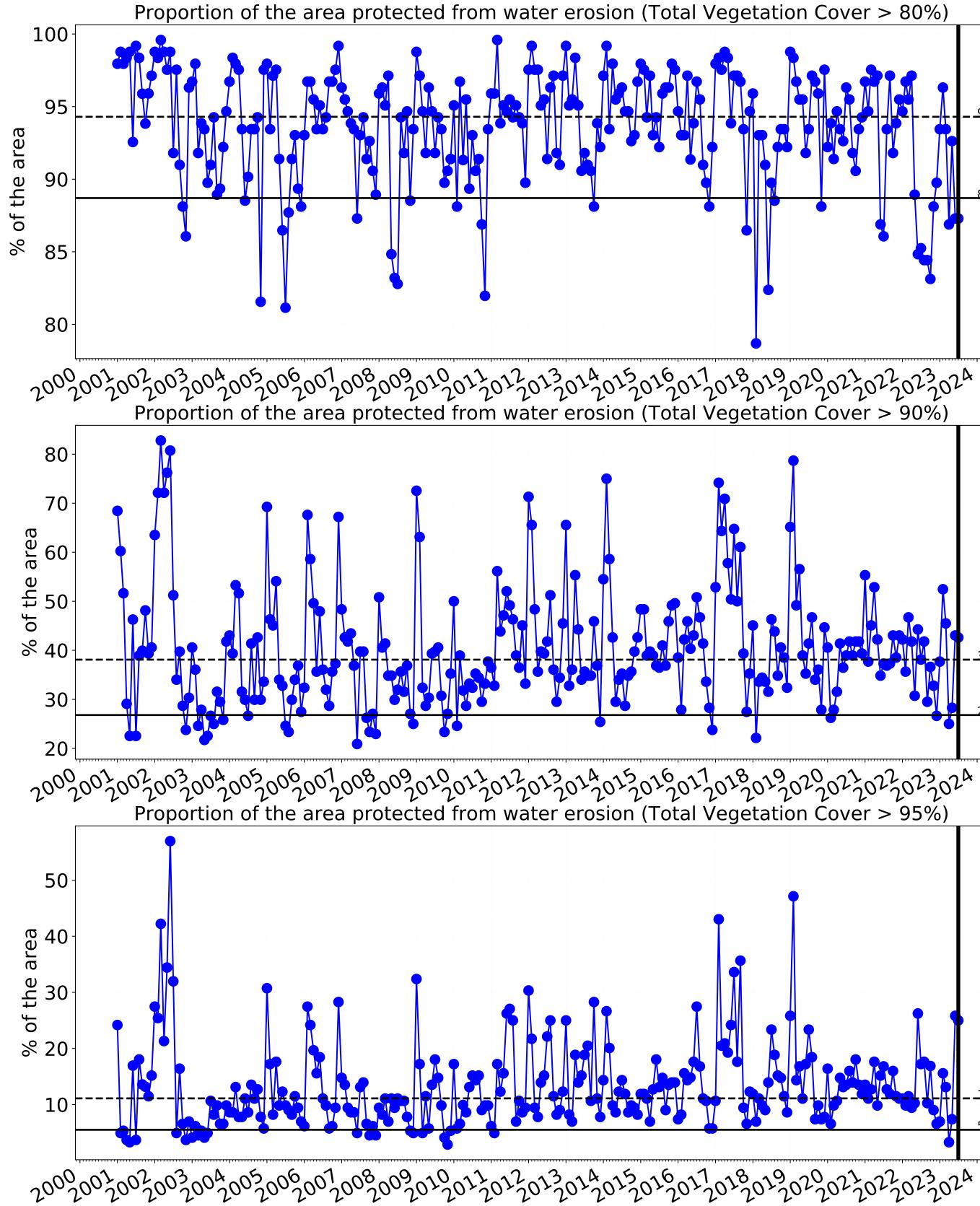


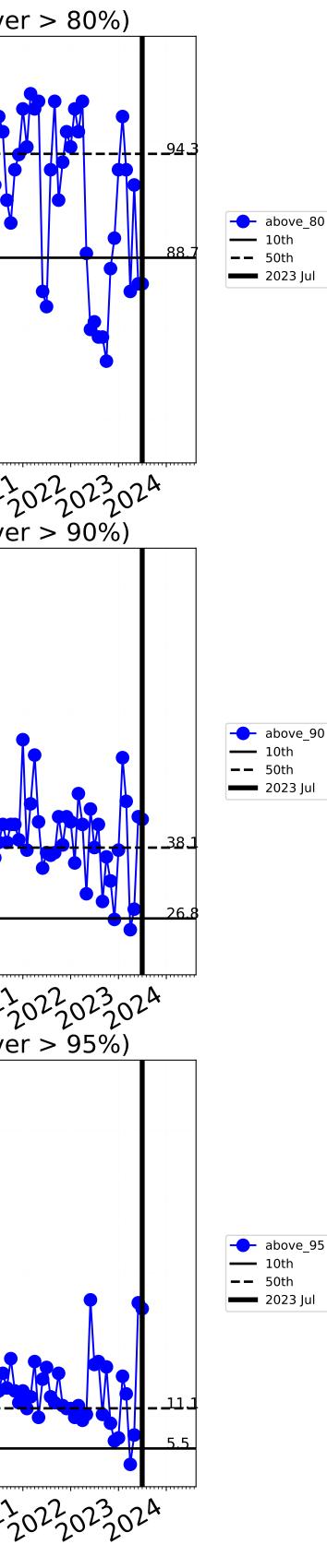
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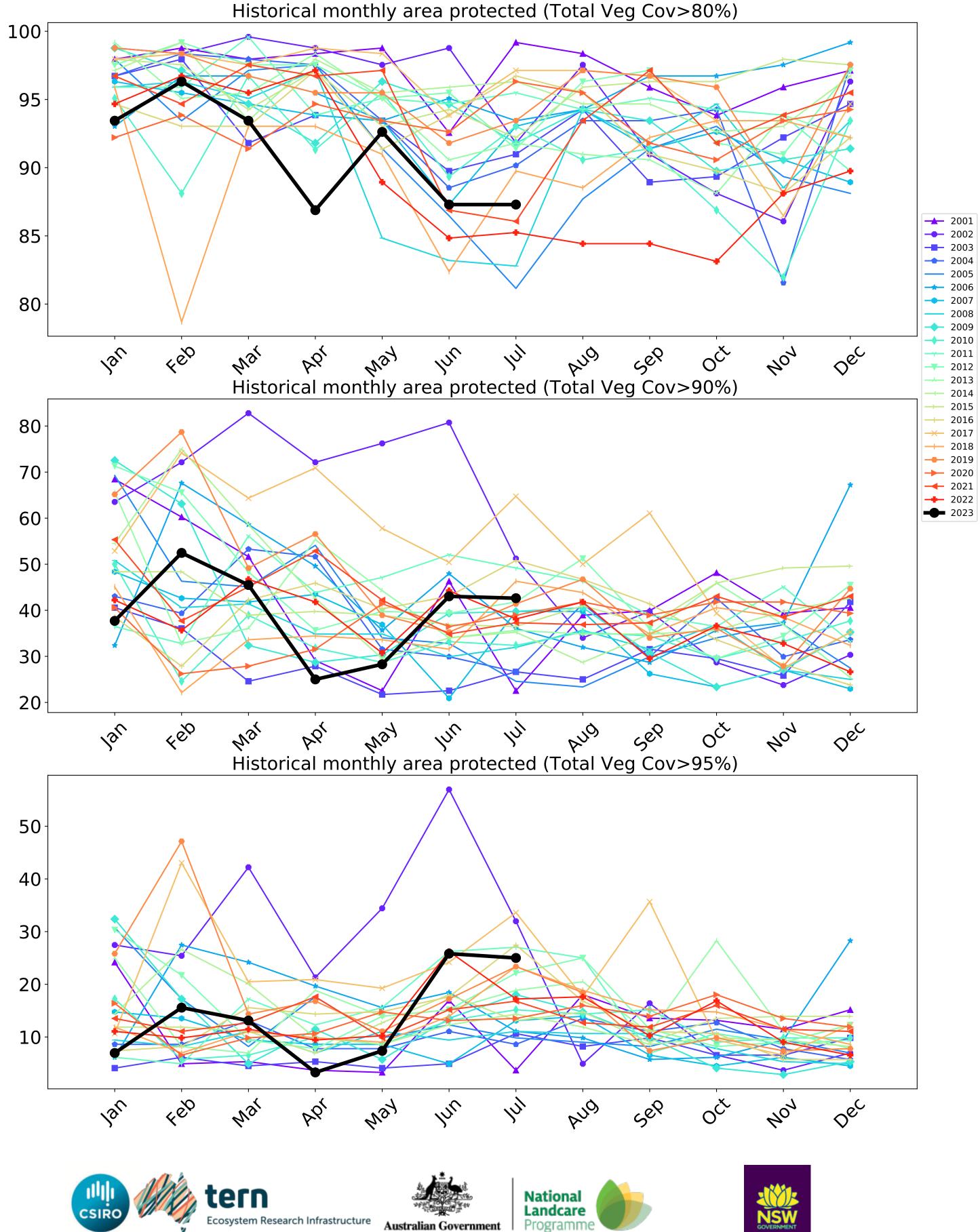








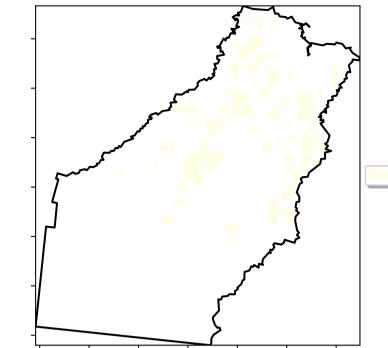
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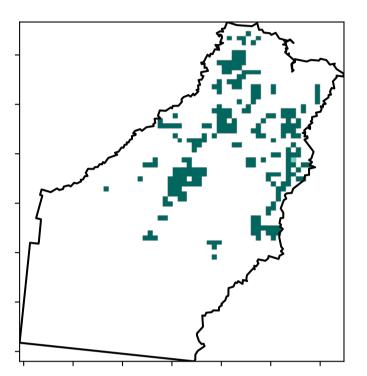
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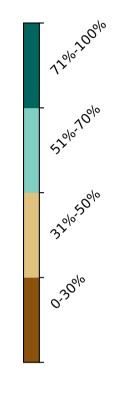
Land use and forest cover



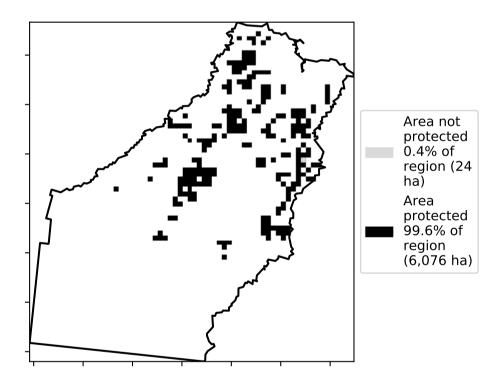
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**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

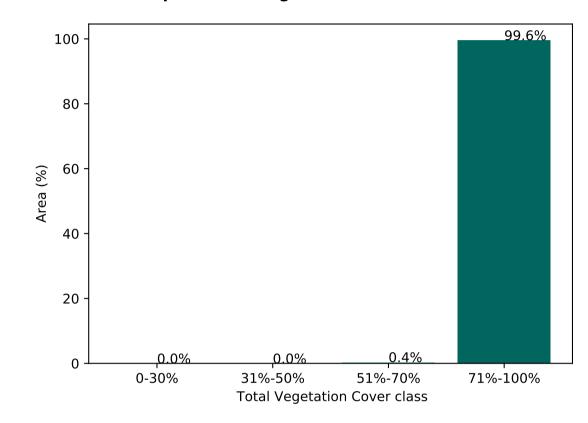




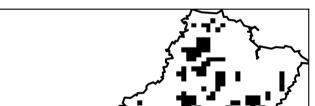
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

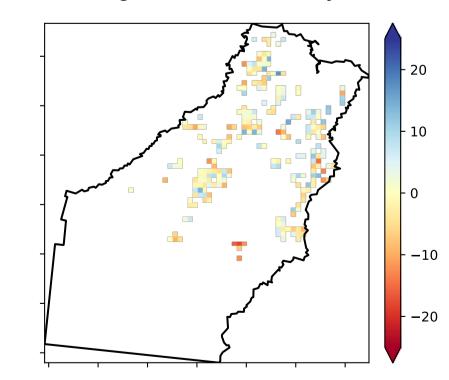


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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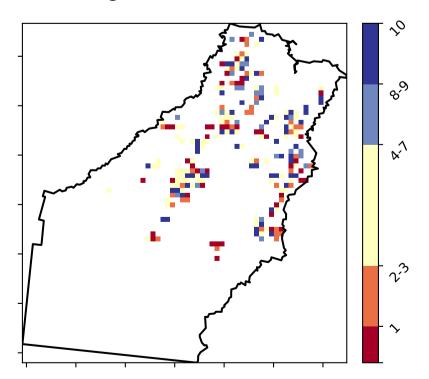
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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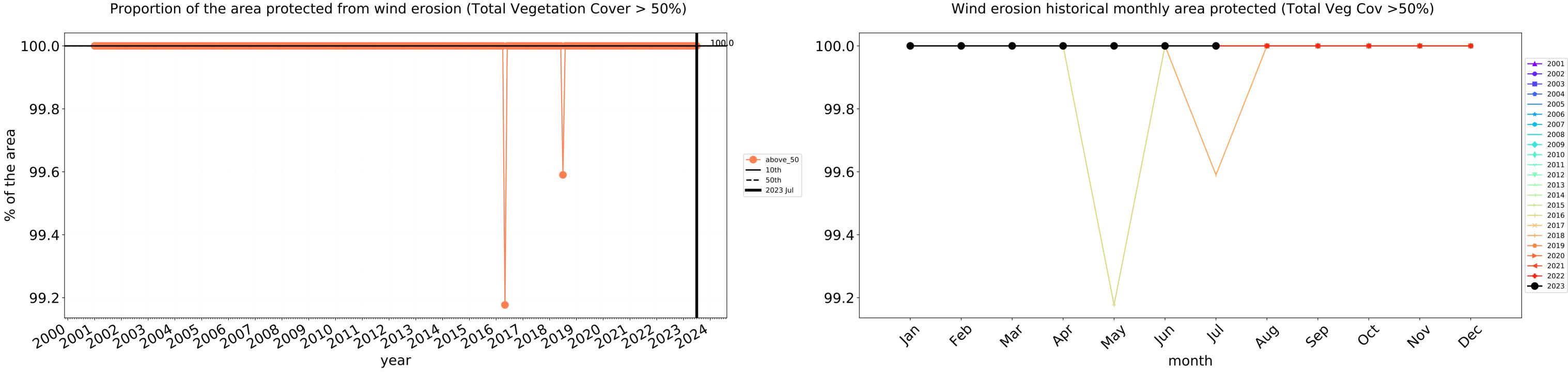
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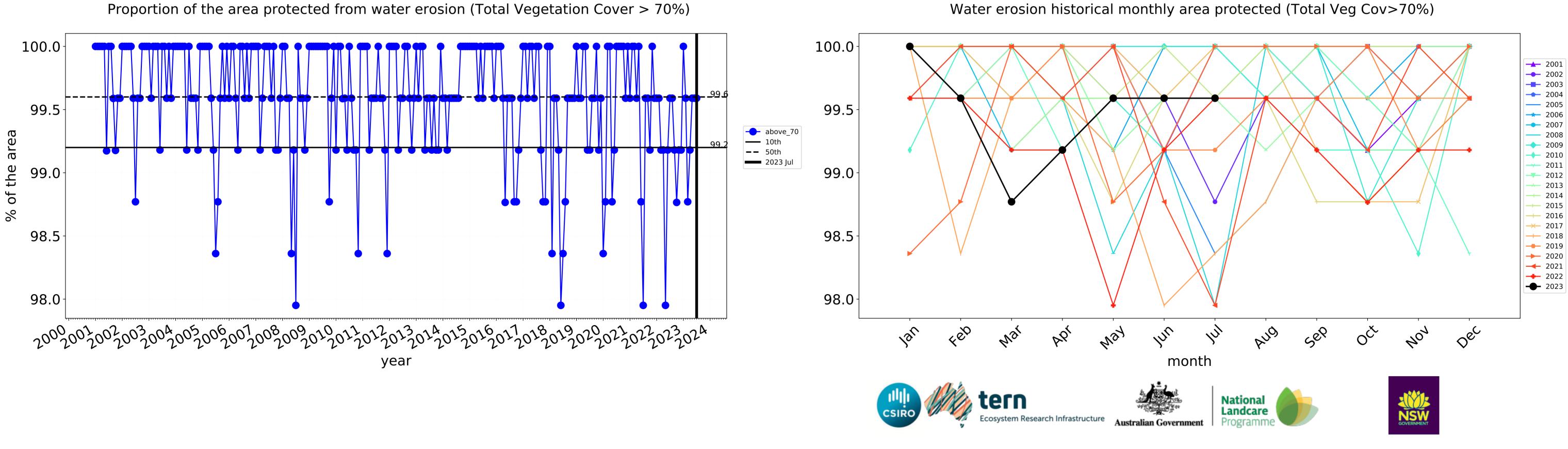




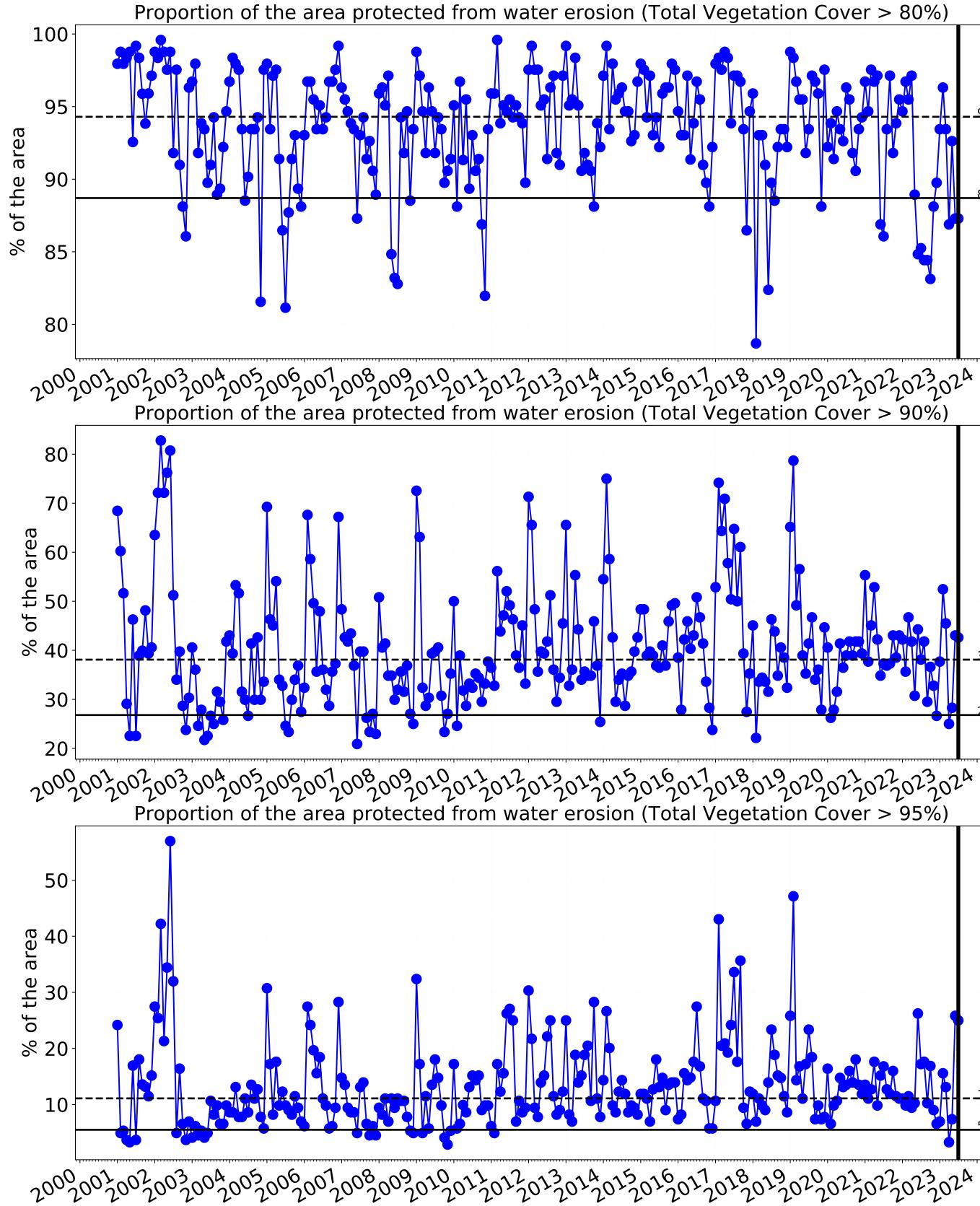
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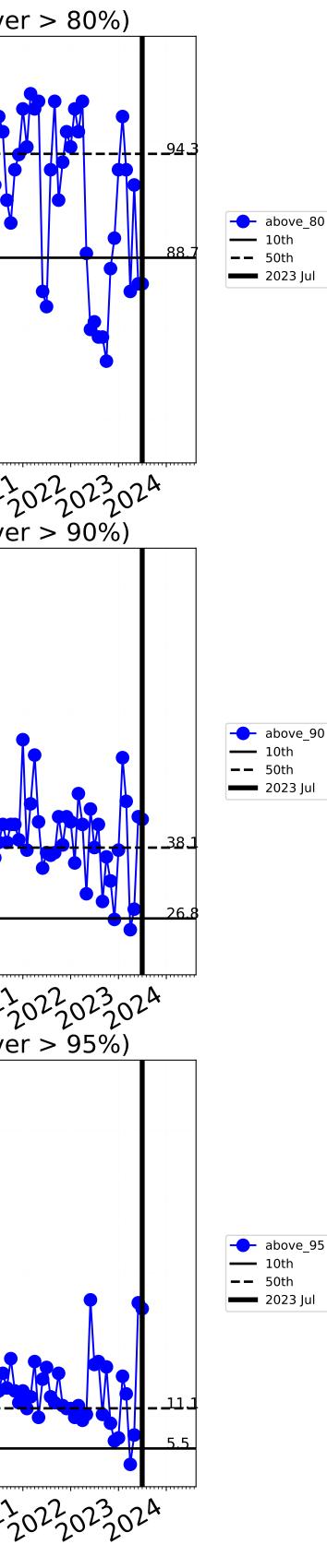




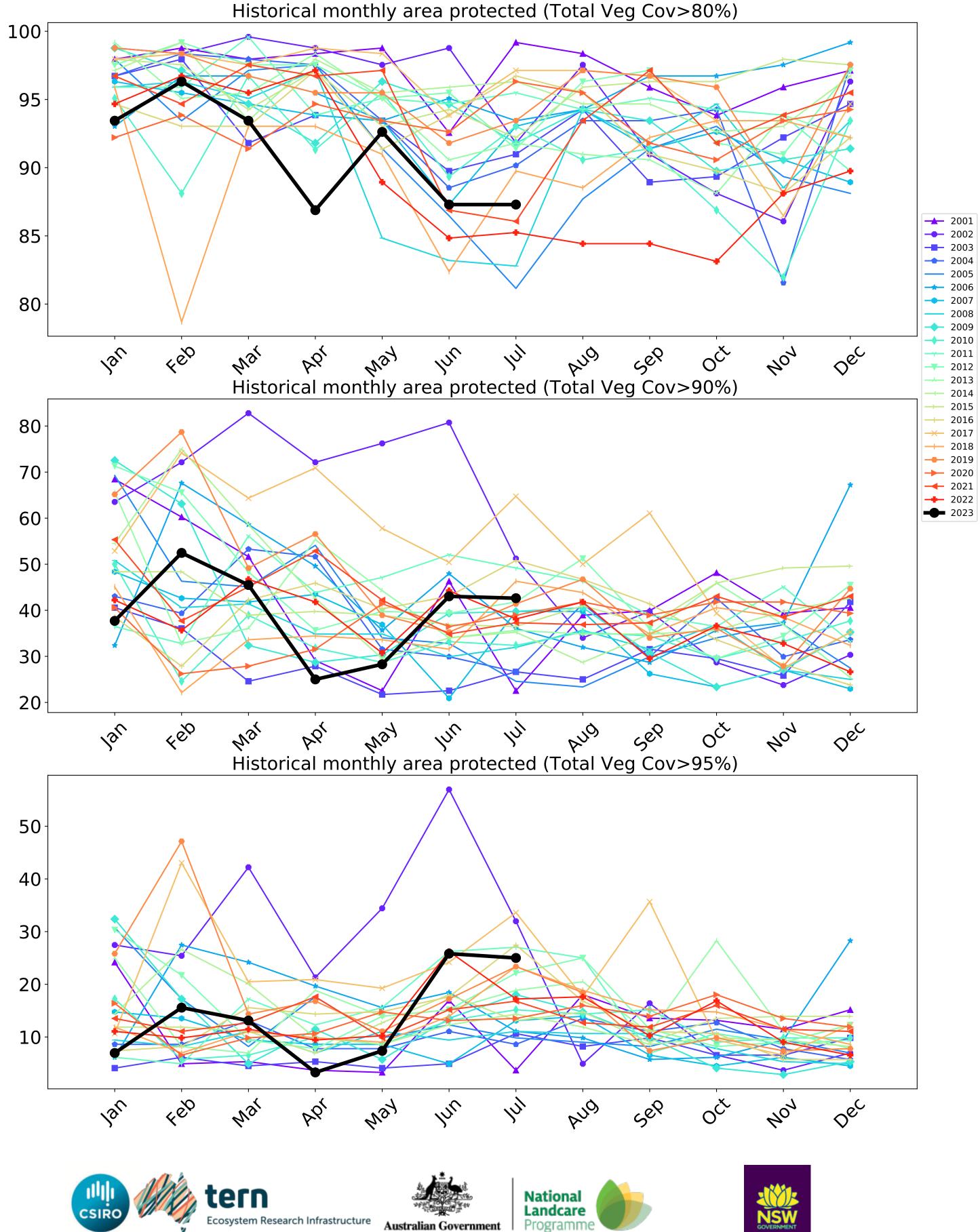


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



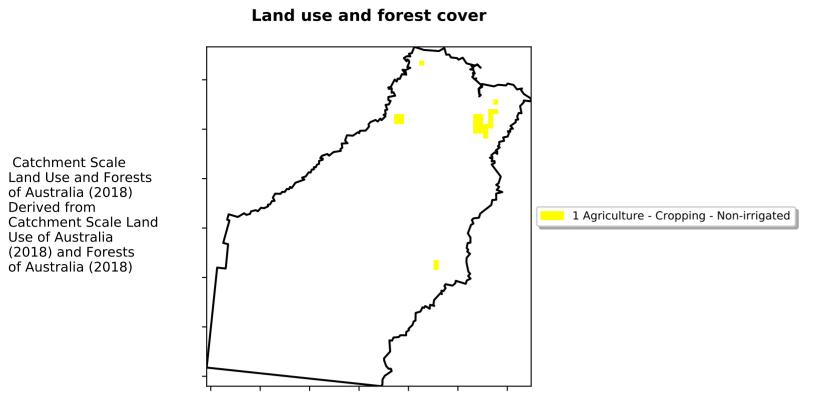


above\_90

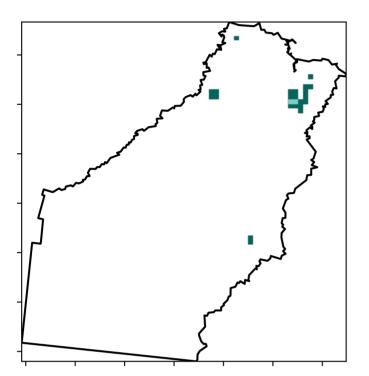


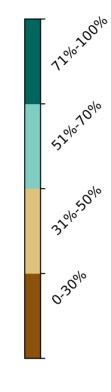


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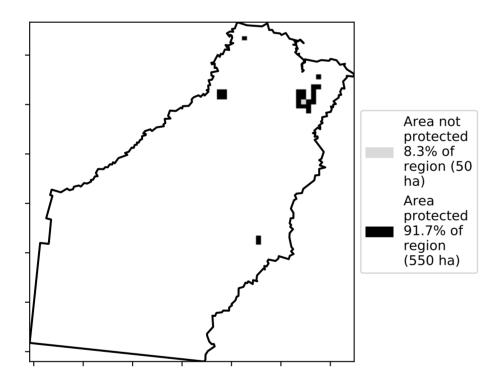


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

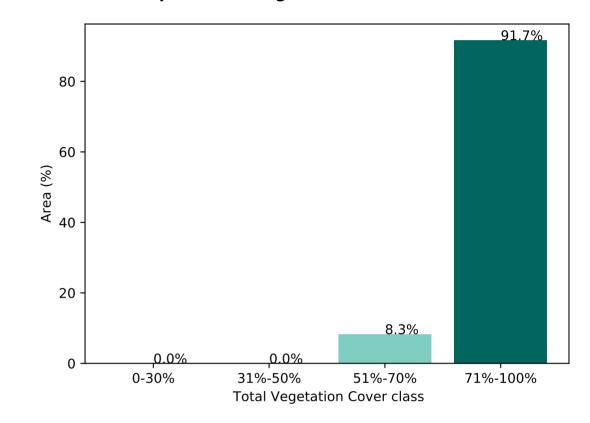




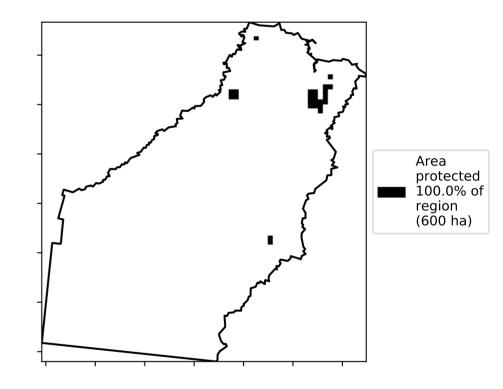
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

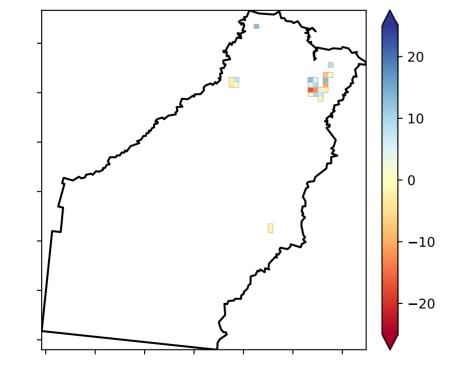


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



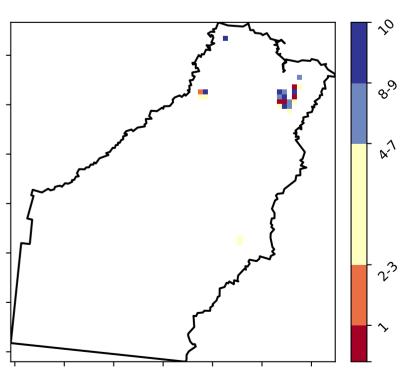
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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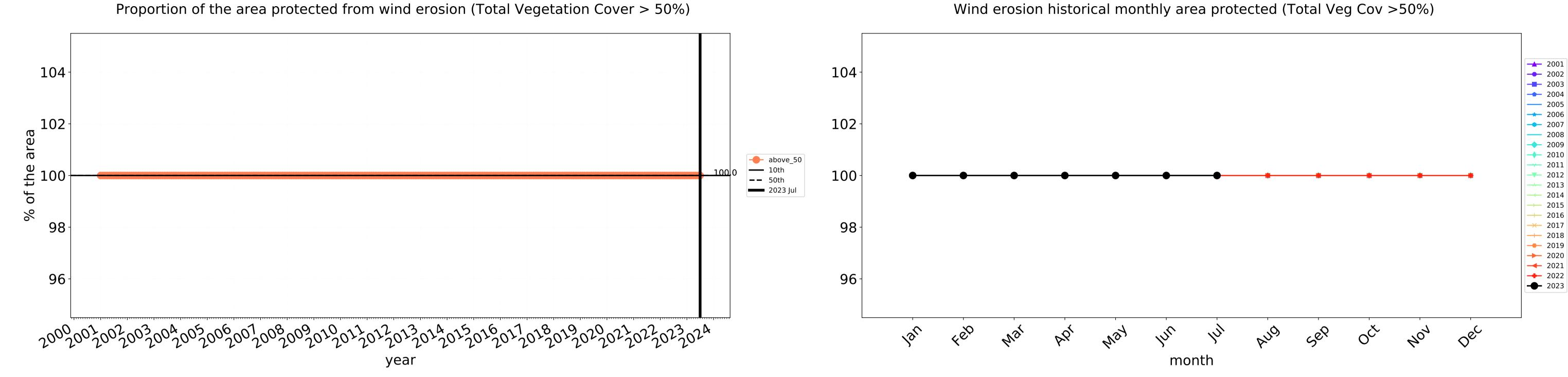


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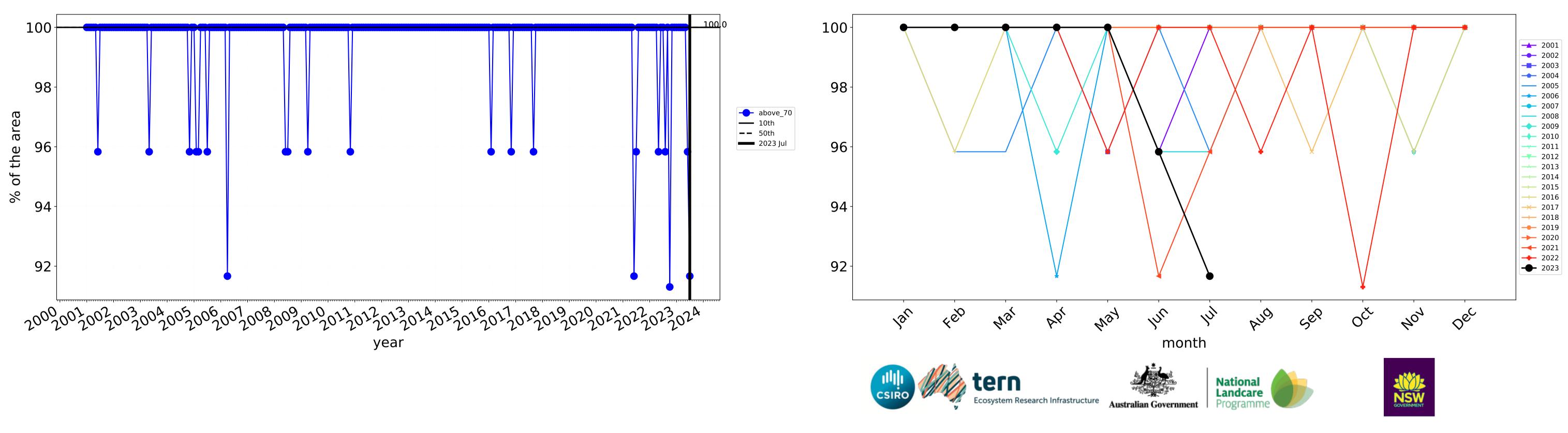
**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



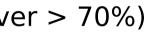




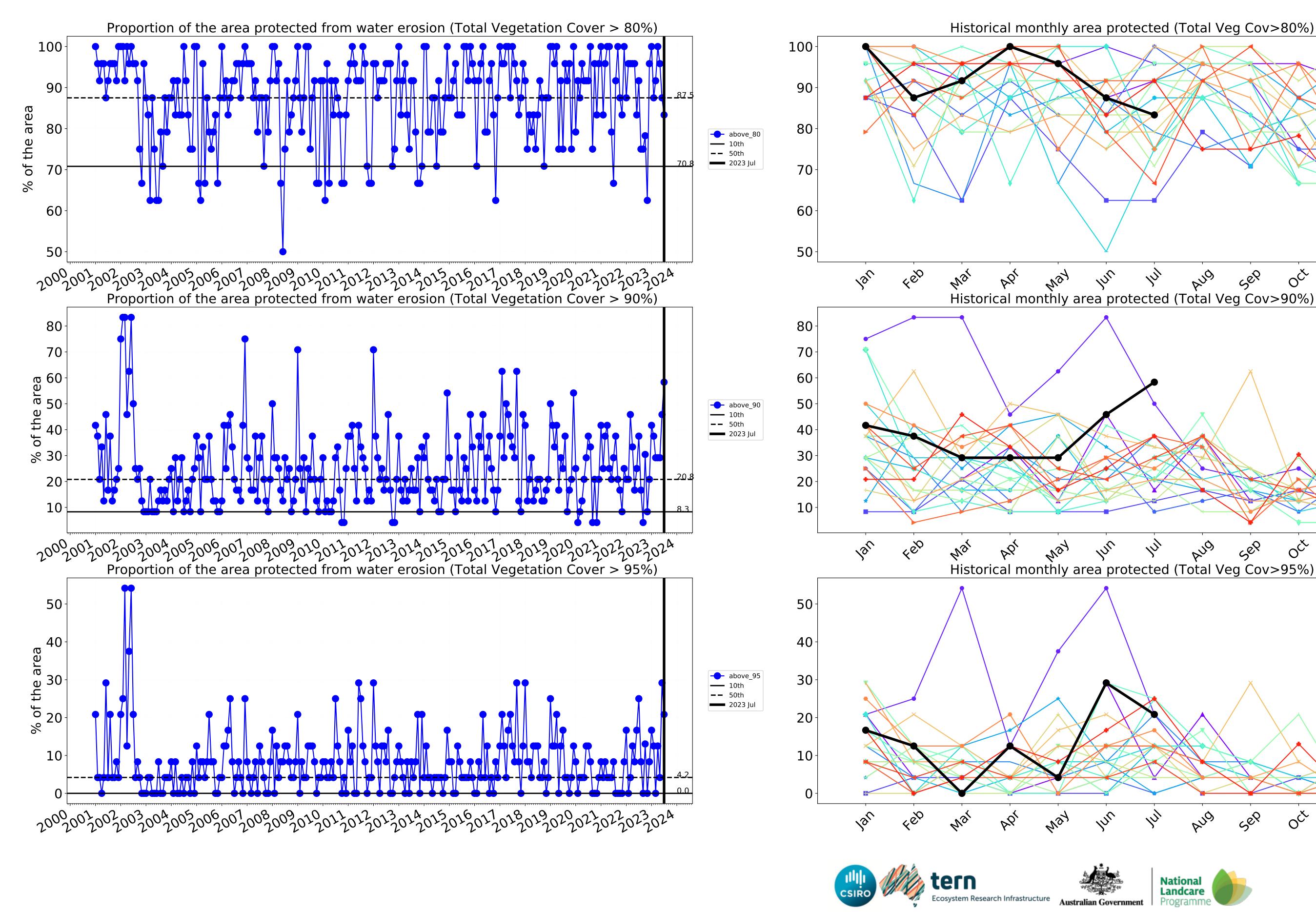
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

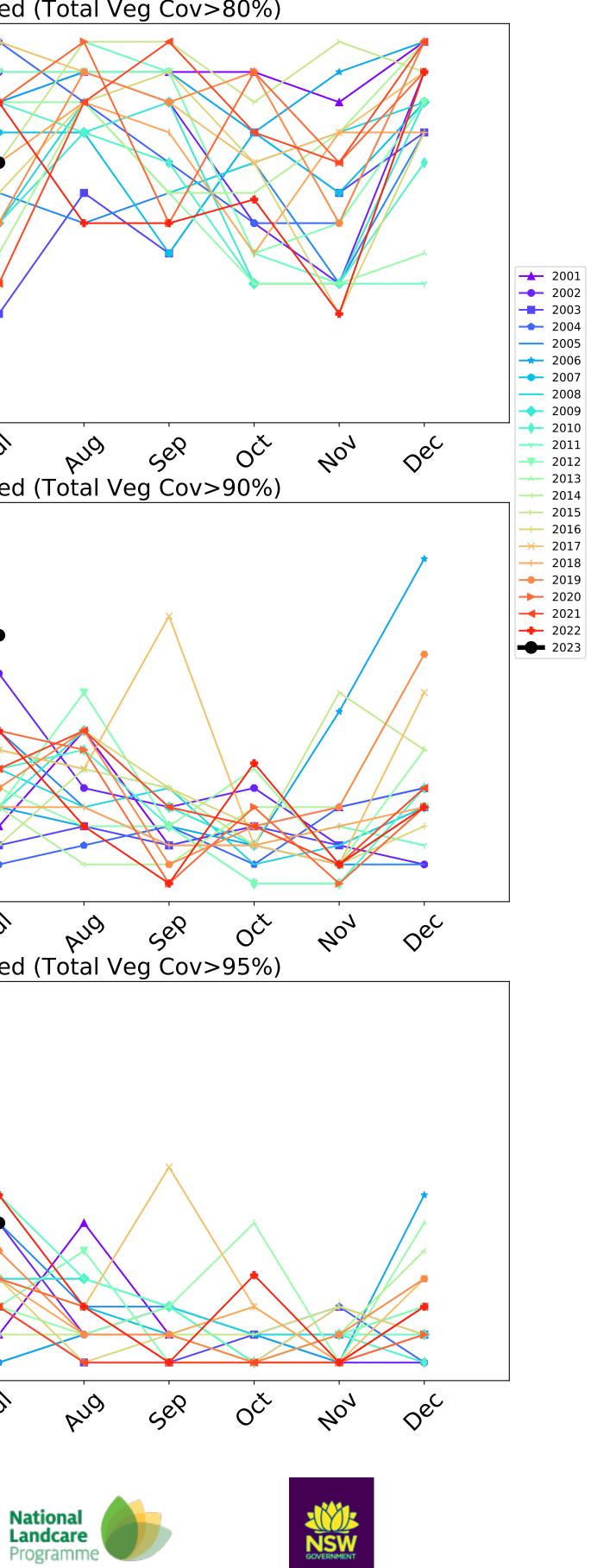


# **Cropping timeseries**



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





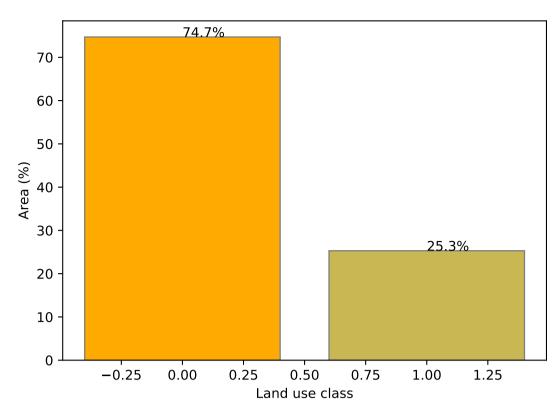
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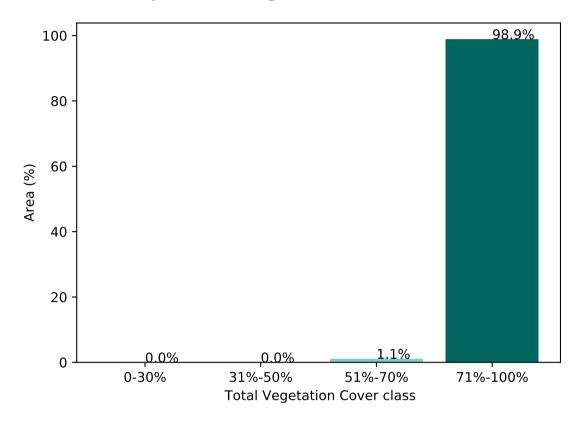
Derived from

Land use and forest cover

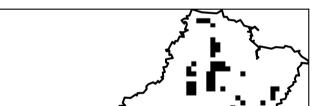
1 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 2 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated Proportion of each land class in area

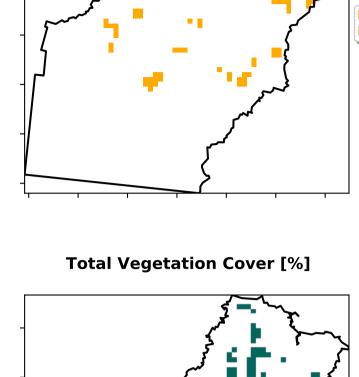


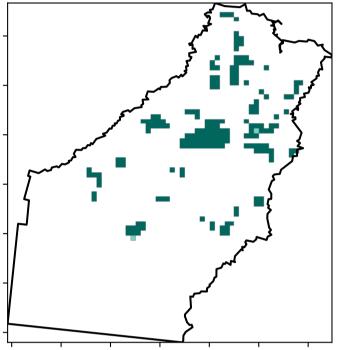
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

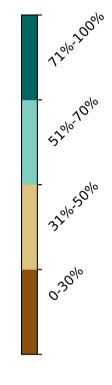


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

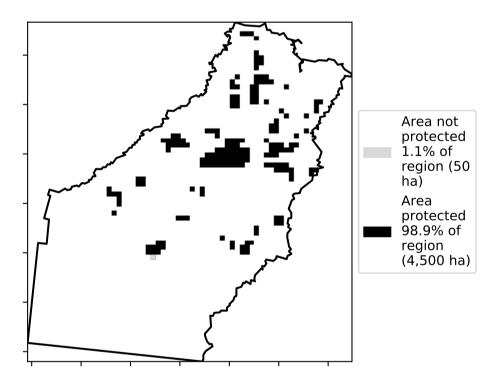




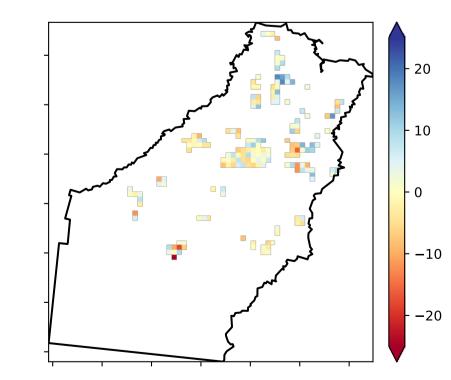




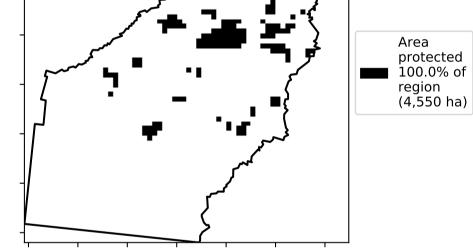
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



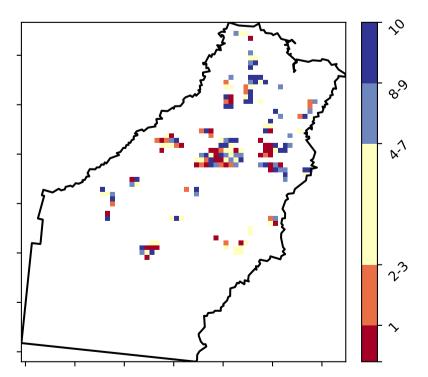
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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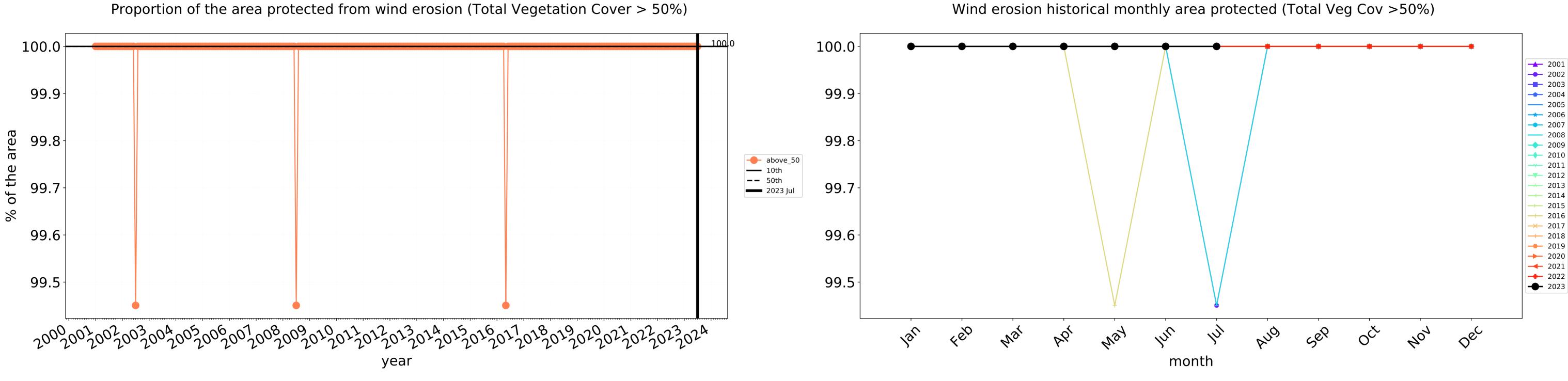
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

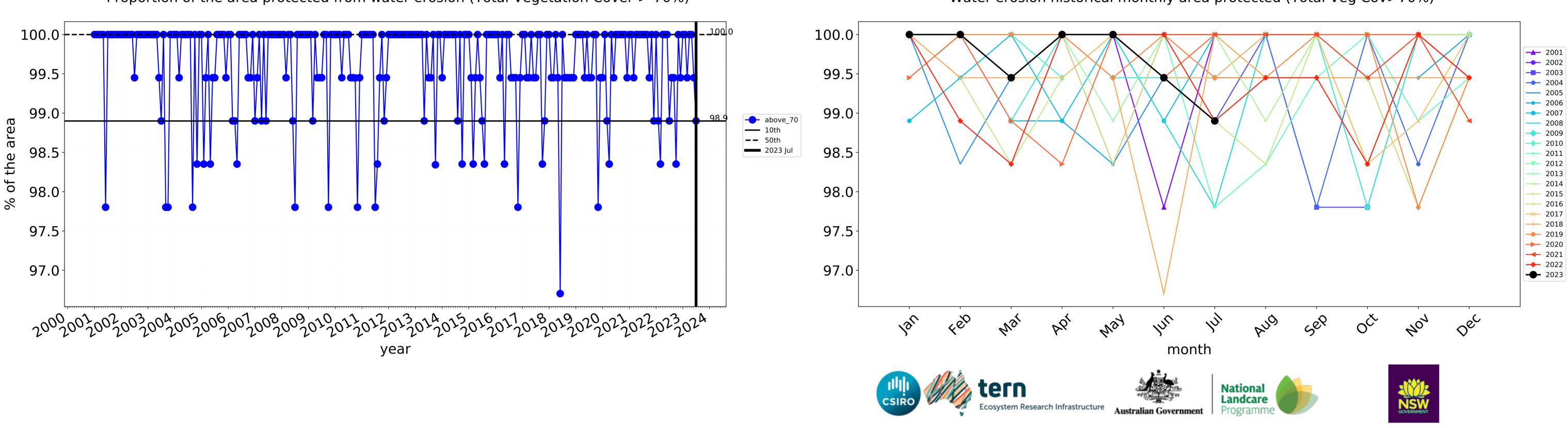




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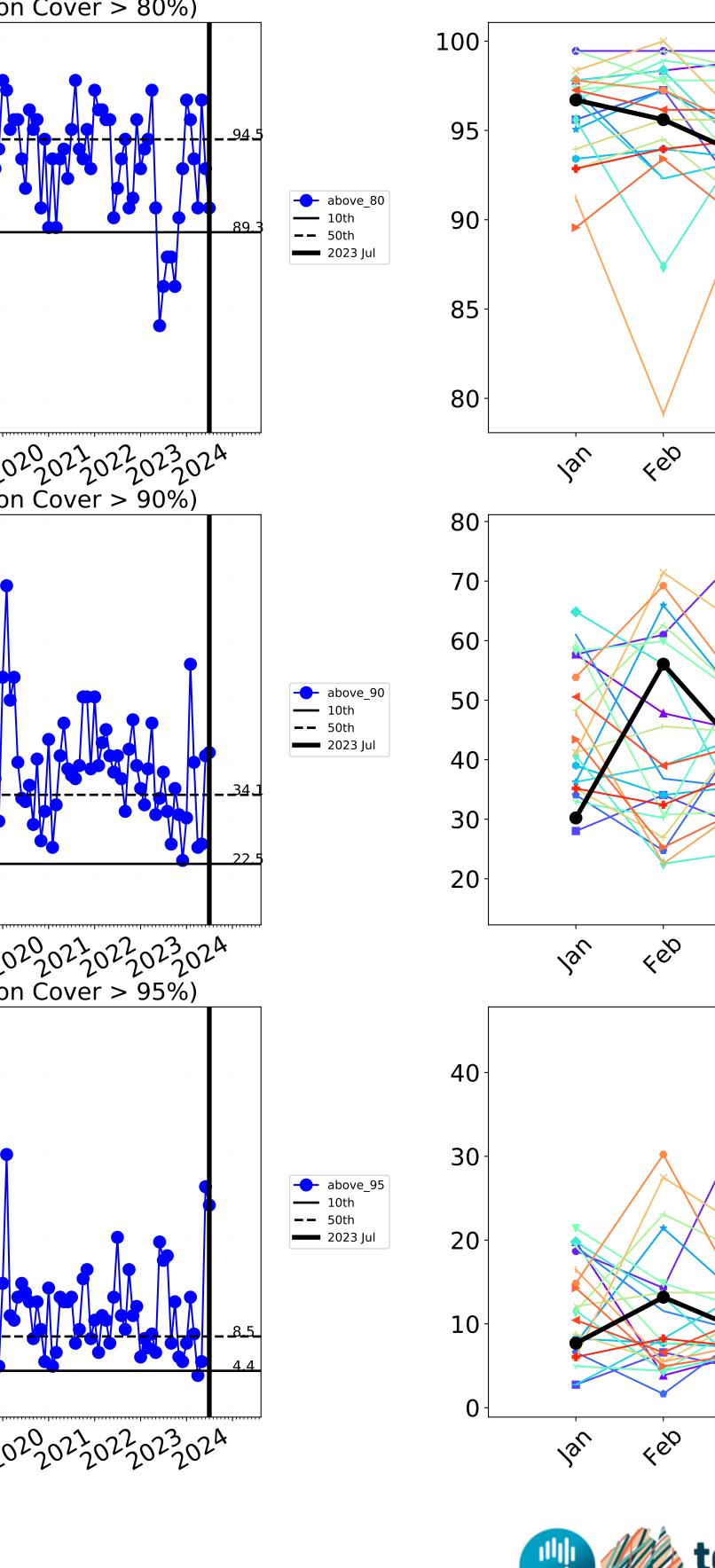


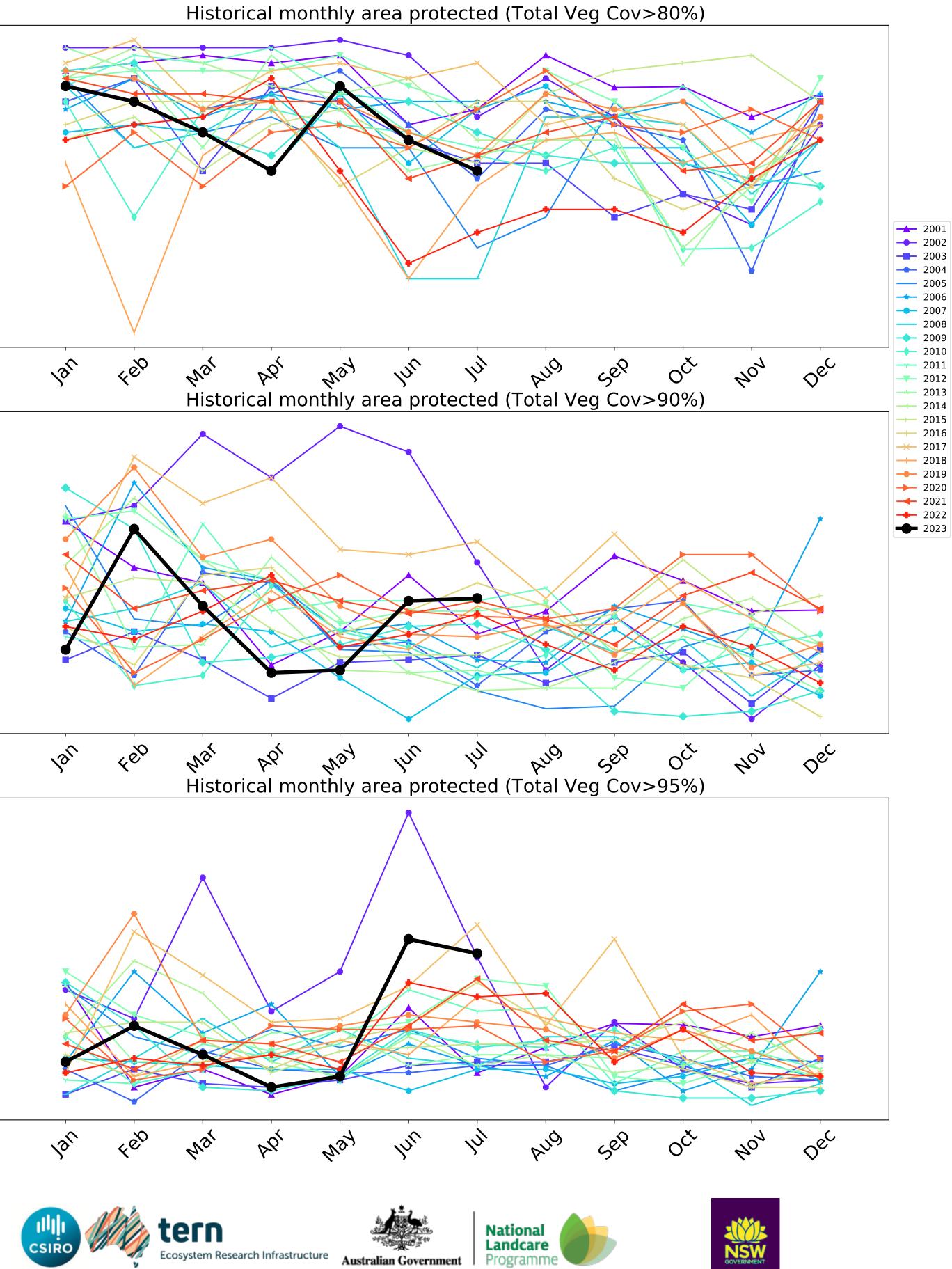
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

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

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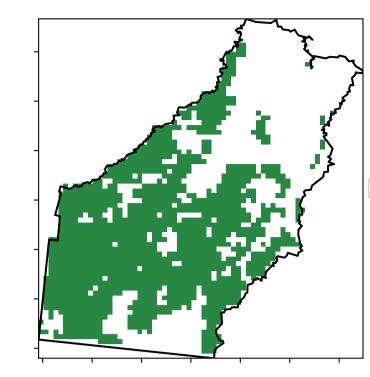
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 80%)





# **Production native forests and plantation forests**

Land use and forest cover



1 Production native forests and plantation forests

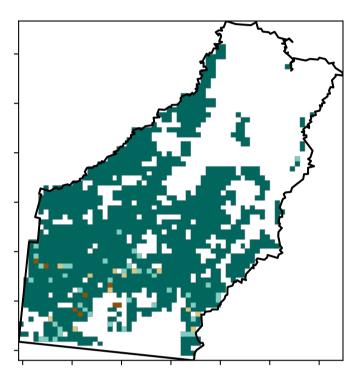
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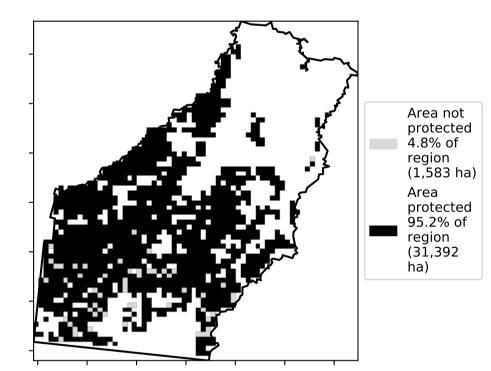
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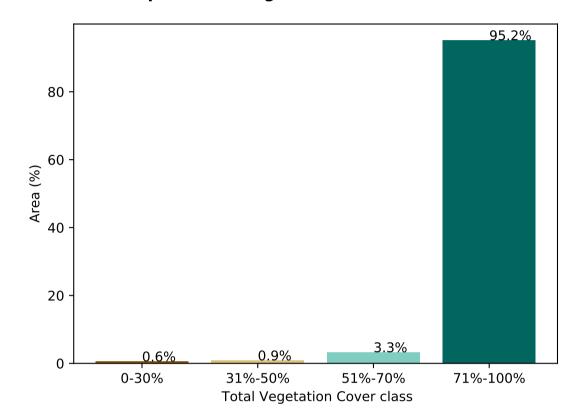
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 







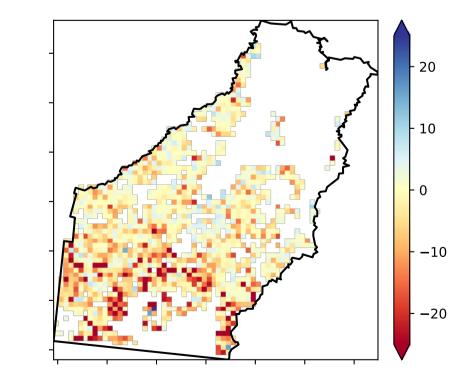
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



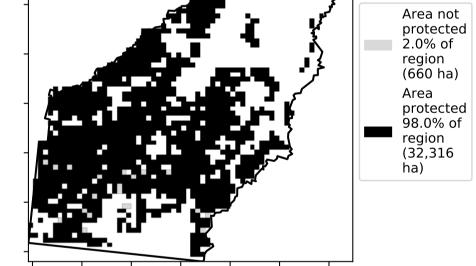
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



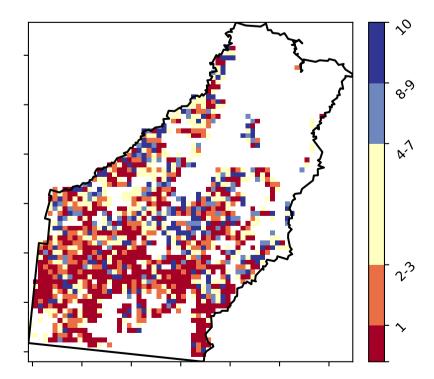
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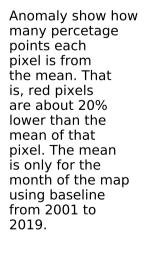
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





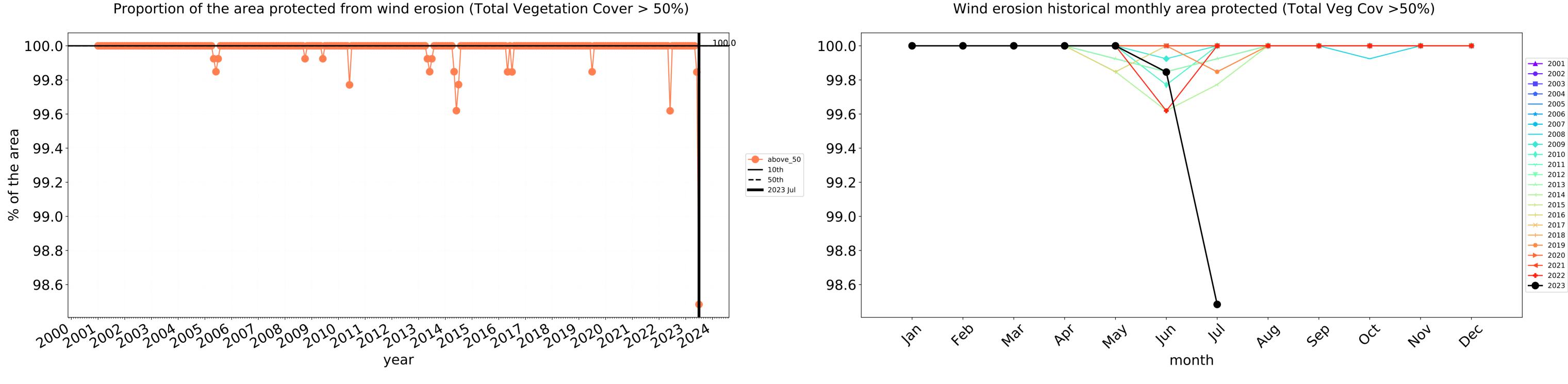


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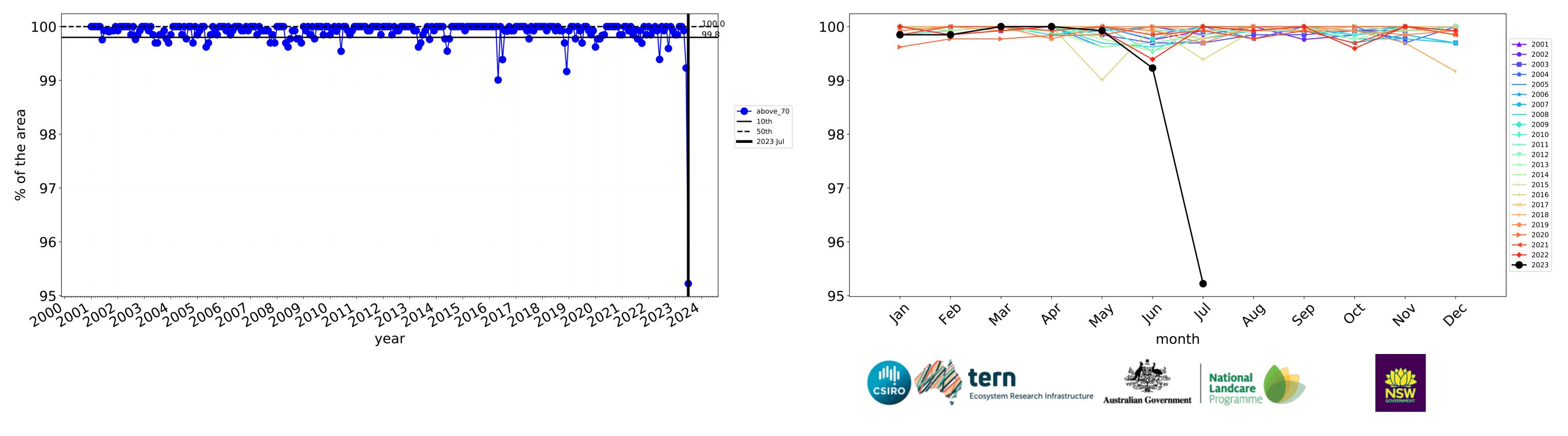
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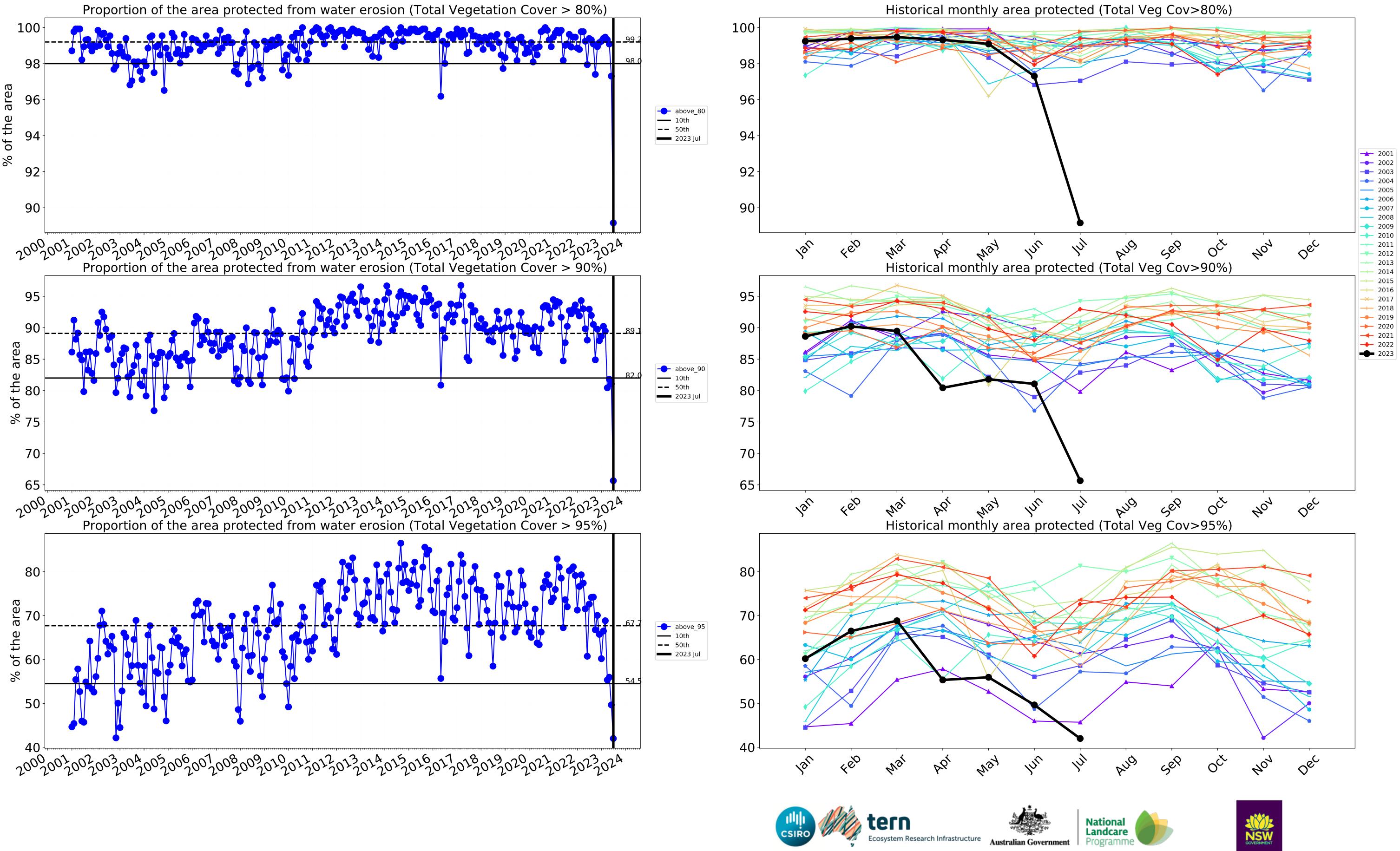
# Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries



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



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



# Burnie\_(C) (58,675 ha and no data 2,365 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	58,675	99.2% 58,225	98.3% 57,700	95.1% 55,825	87.3% 51,225	58.4% 34,250	36.2% 21,225
Conservation and natural environments	9,275	98.1% 9,100	96.2% 8,925	92.7% 8,600	87.1% 8,075	61.2% 5,675	37.2% 3,450
Conservation and natural environments non forest	1,125	100.0% 1,125	97.8% 1,100	88.9% 1,000	84.4% 950	53.3% 600	35.6% 400
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	875	100.0% 875	100.0% 875	97.1% 850	97.1% 850	77.1% 675	48.6% 425
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	7,275	97.6% 7,100	95.5% 6,950	92.8% 6,750	86.3% 6,275	60.5% 4,400	36.1% 2,625
Agriculture	11,250	100.0% 11,250	100.0% 11,250	98.9% 11,125	88.4% 9,950	42.9% 4,825	24.4% 2,750
Grazing	6,100	100.0% 6,100	100.0% 6,100	99.6% 6,075	87.3% 5,325	42.6% 2,600	25.0% 1,525
Grazing non forest	6,100	100.0% 6,100	100.0% 6,100	99.6% 6,075	87.3% 5,325	42.6% 2,600	25.0% 1,525
Cropping	600	100.0% 600	100.0% 600	91.7% 550	83.3% 500	58.3% 350	20.8% 125
Irrigation	4,550	100.0% 4,550	100.0% 4,550	98.9% 4,500	90.7% 4,125	41.2% 1,875	24.2% 1,100
Production native forests and plantation forests	32,975	99.4% 32,775	98.5% 32,475	95.2% 31,400	89.2% 29,400	65.7% 21,650	42.0% 13,850

