## Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Campaspe\_(S) VIC

## **Date: September 2023**

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

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

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

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

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

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

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

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

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

#### **Erosion protection**

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

#### Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

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

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

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

#### Acknowledgment of data:

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

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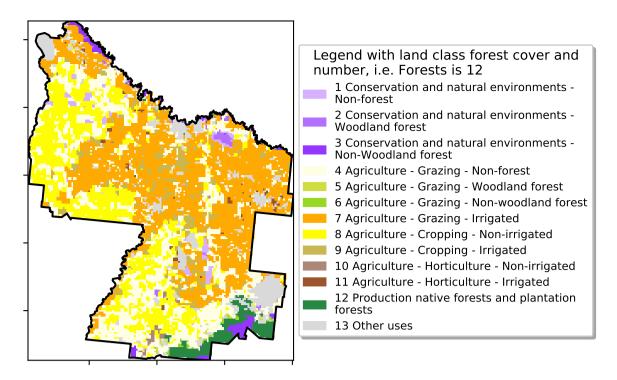


## **Vegetation Cover Sep 2023**

#### Land use and forest cover

#### Proportion of each land class in area





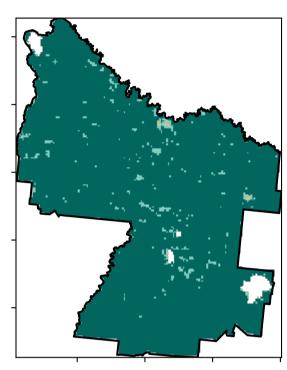
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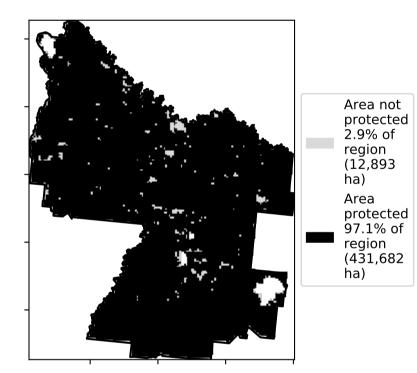
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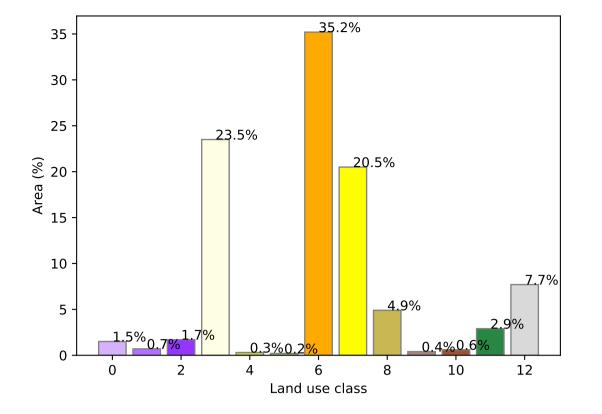
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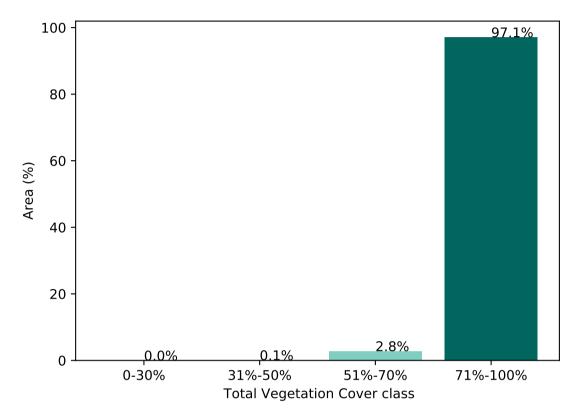


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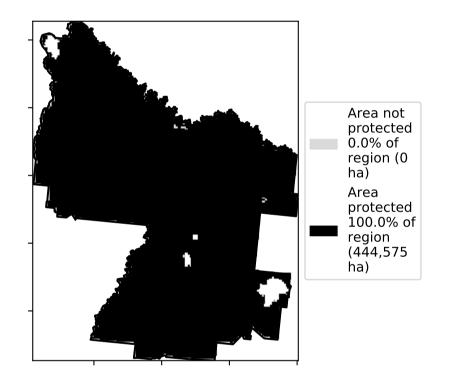




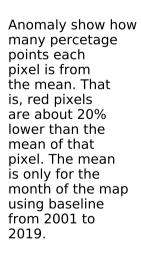
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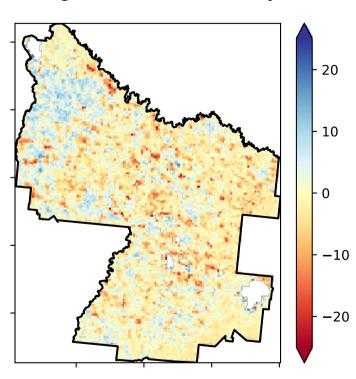


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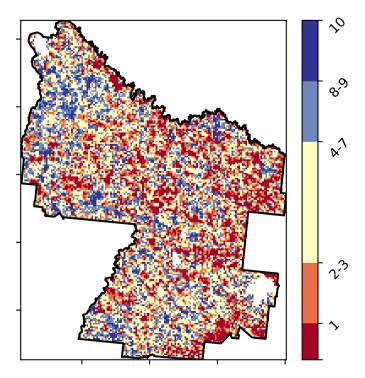


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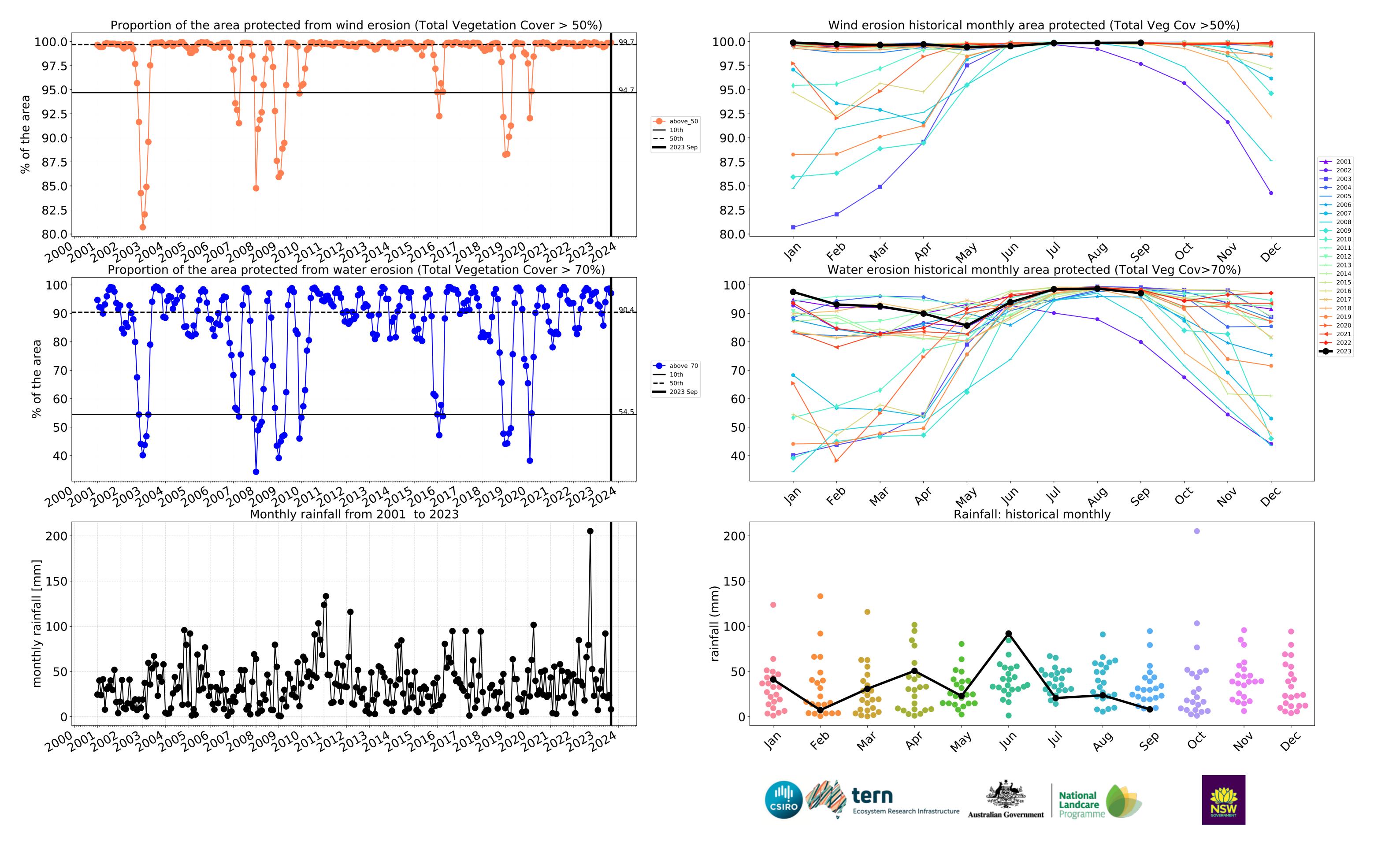
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#### **Conservation and natural environments**

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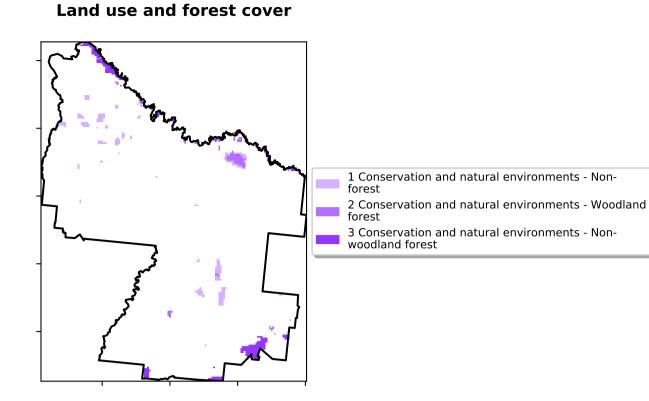
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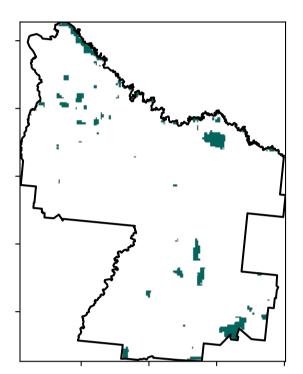
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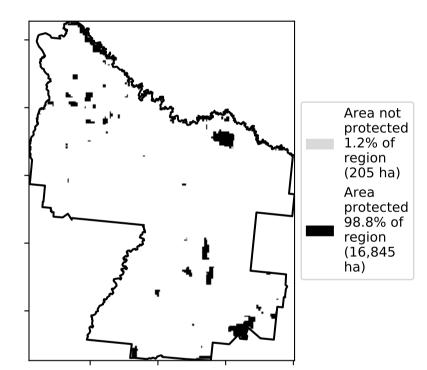
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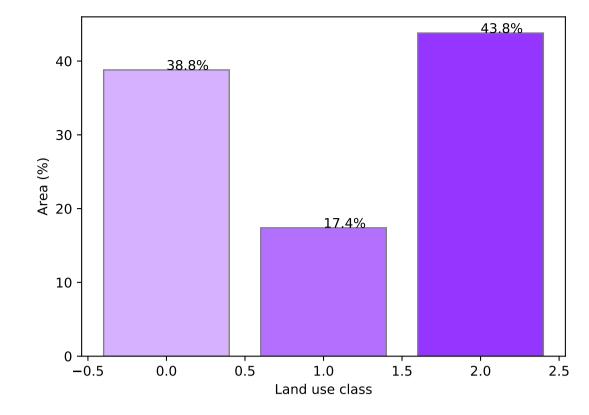


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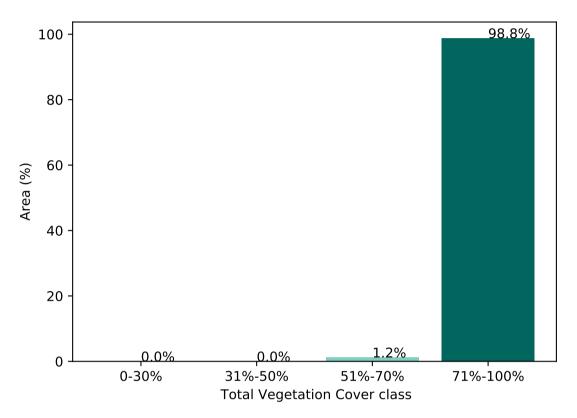




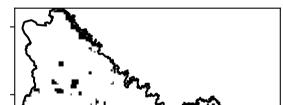


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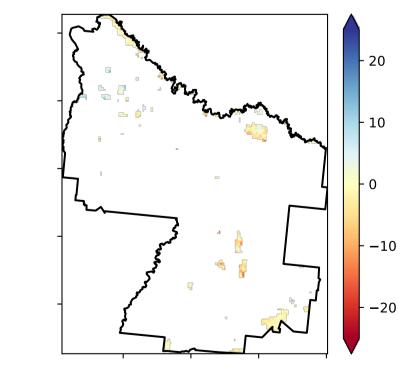
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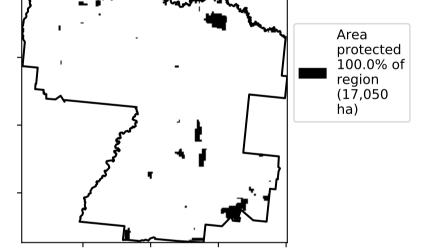
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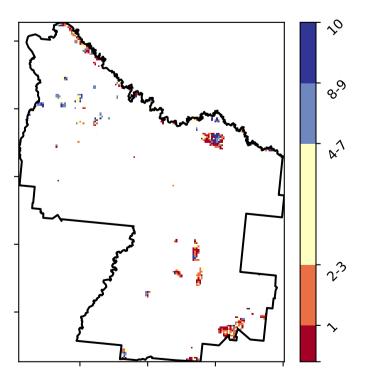
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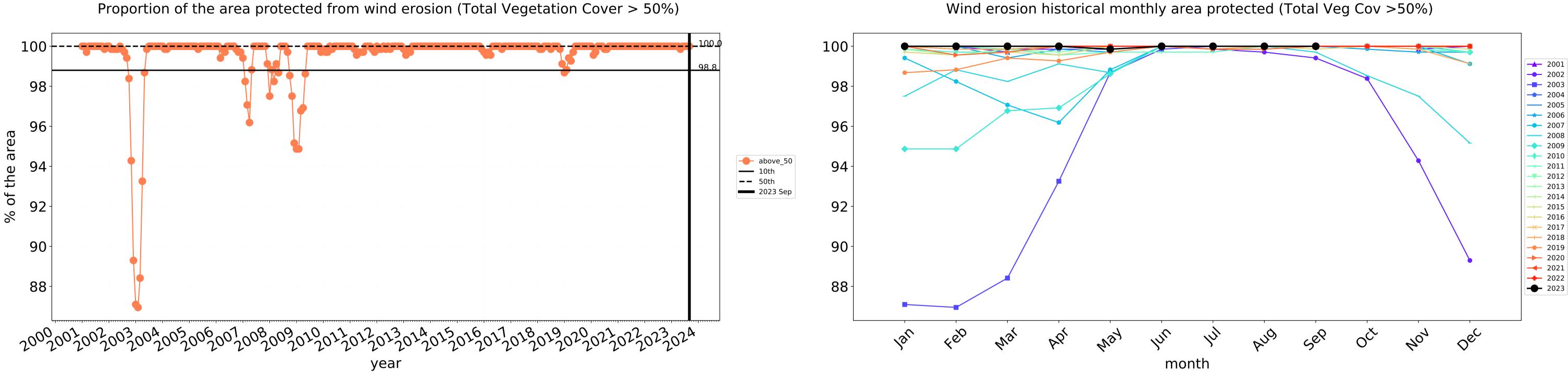


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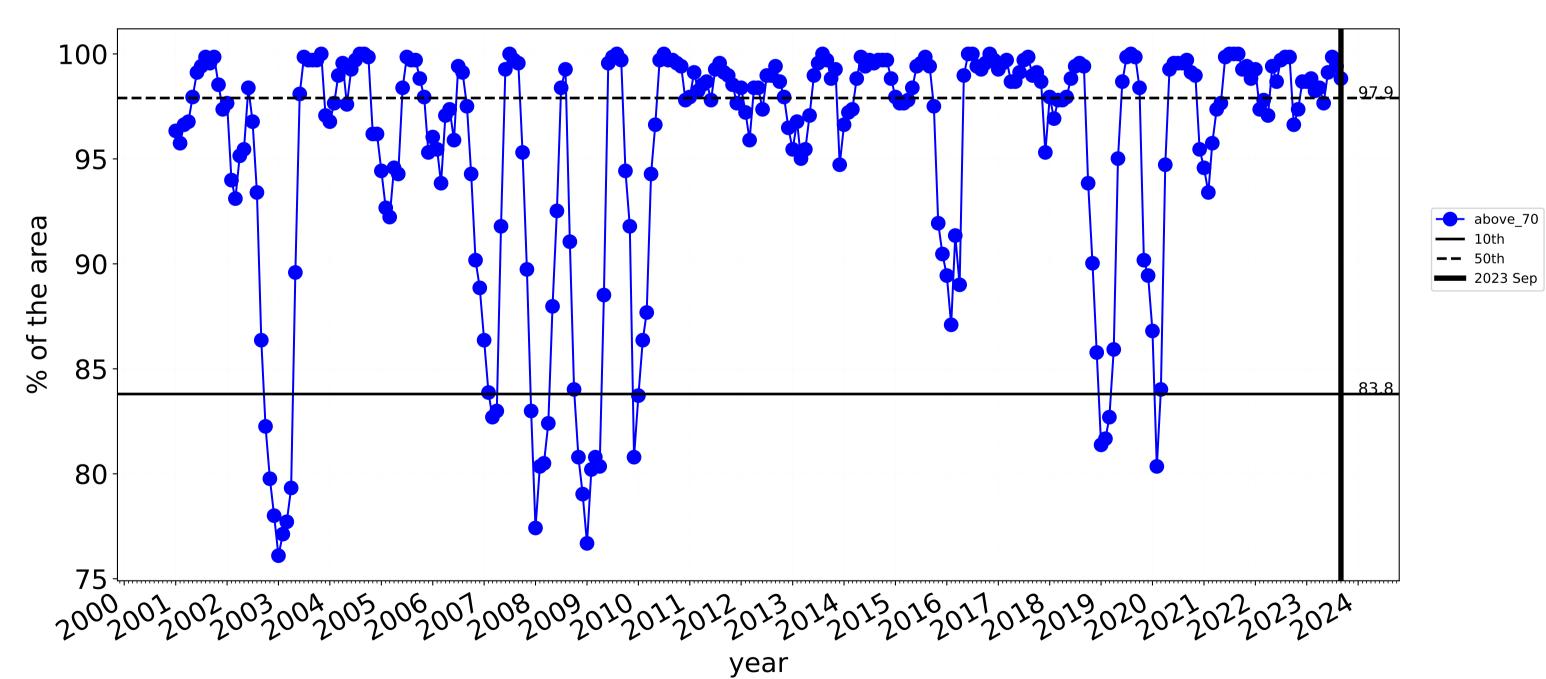


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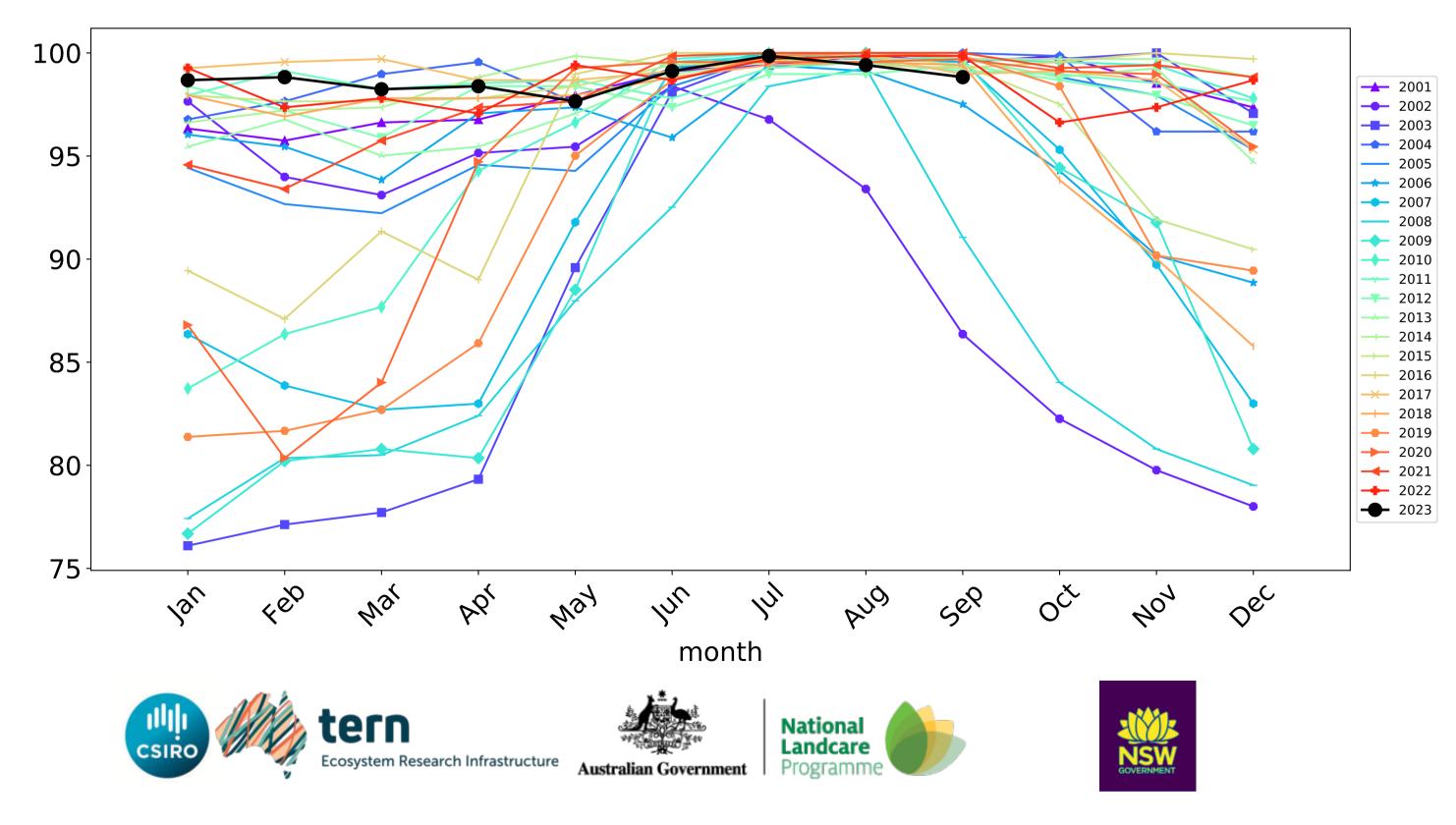


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

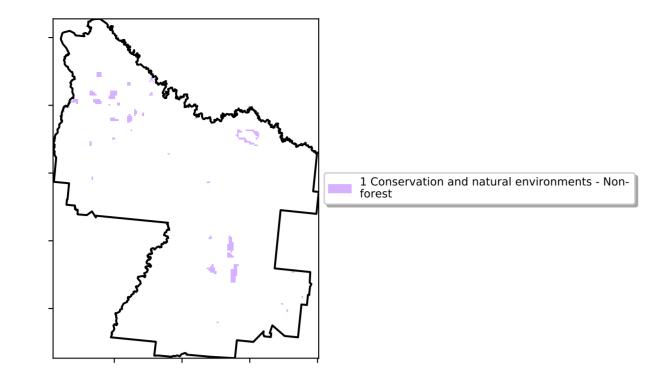


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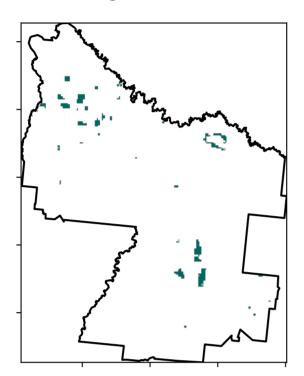


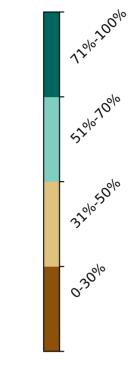
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Land use and forest cover

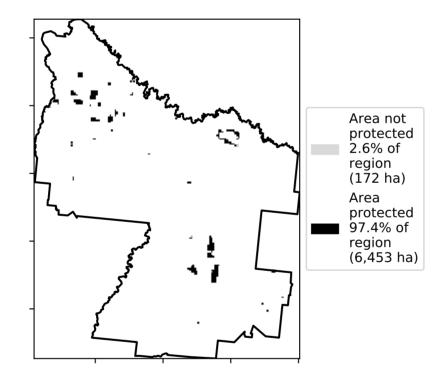


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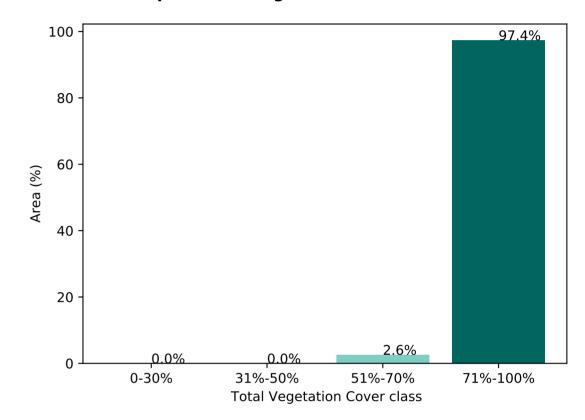




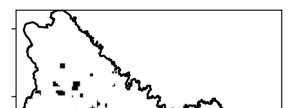
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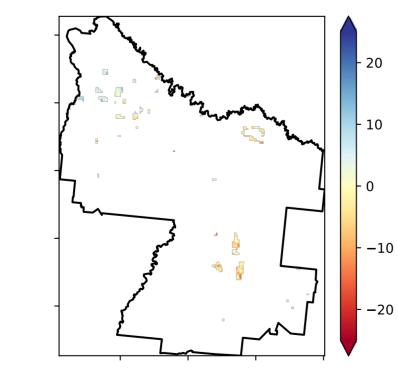
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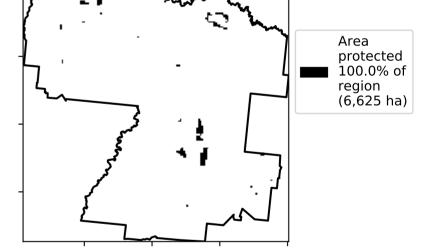
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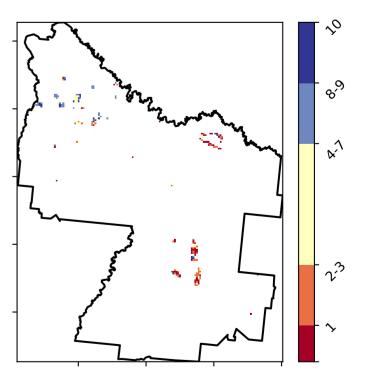
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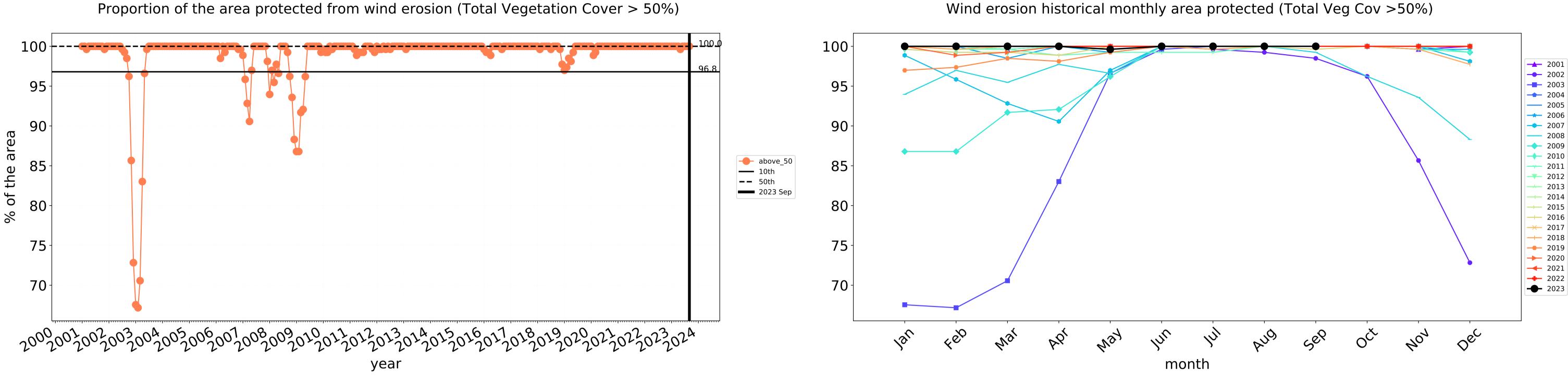
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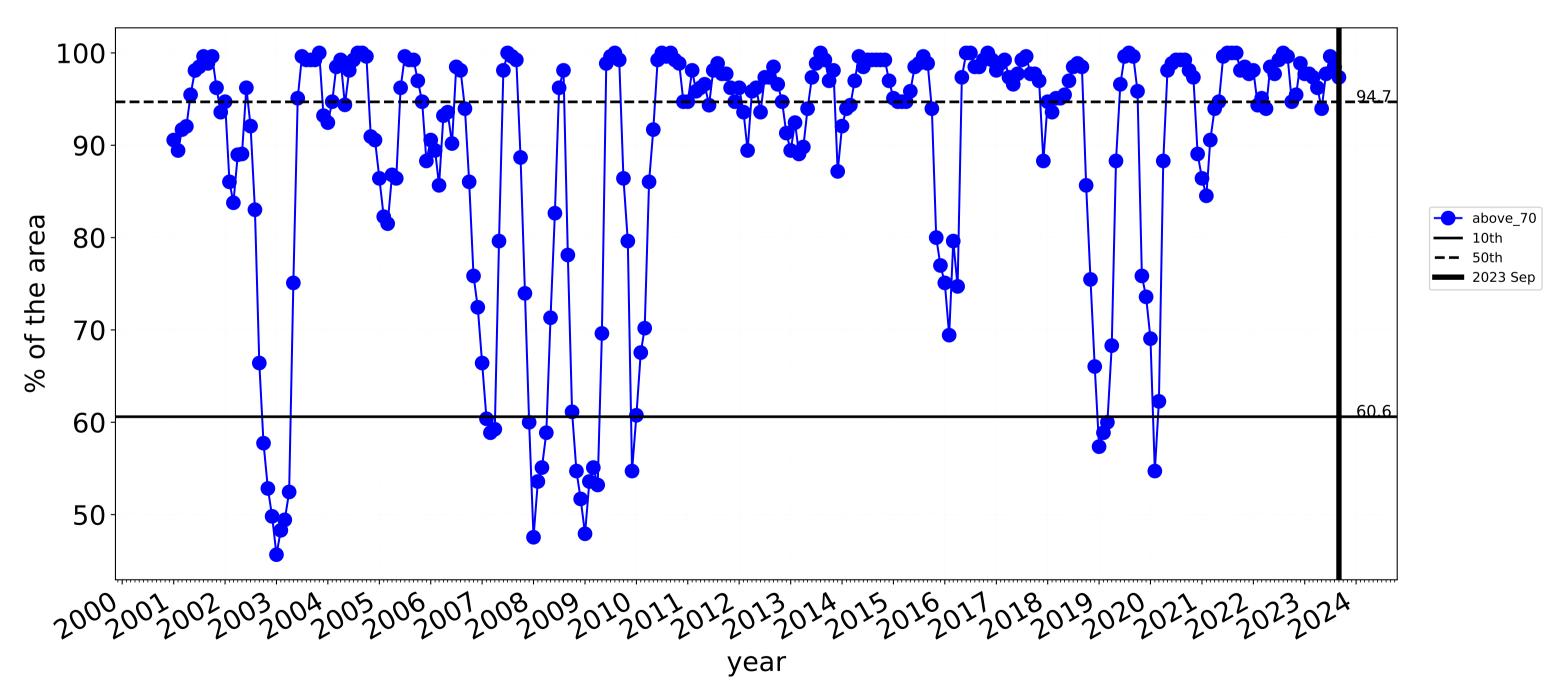
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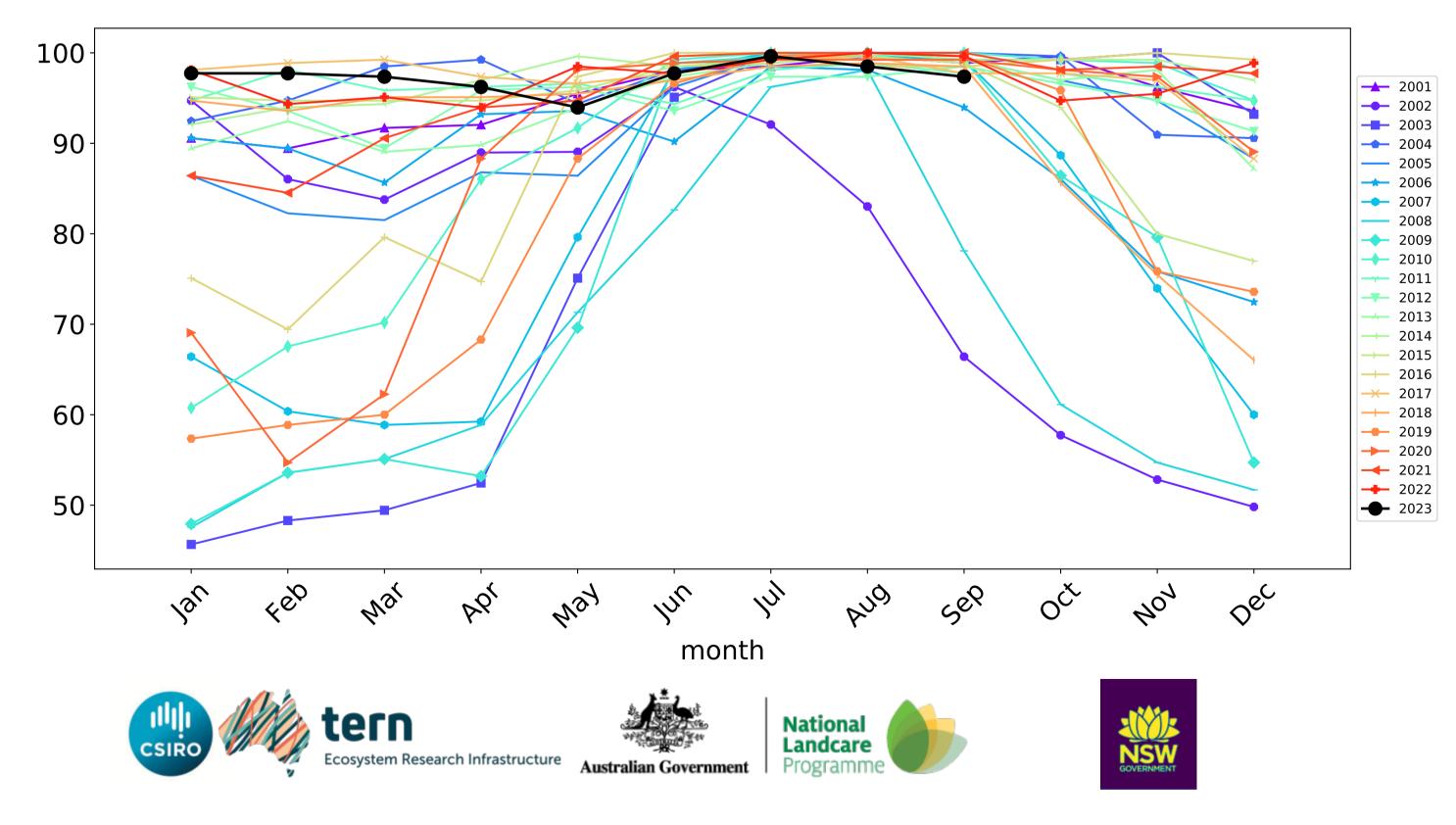
### **Conservation and natural environments non forest timeseries**



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



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



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

Land use and forest cover

Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) 1 Conservation and natural environments - Non-woodland forest Catchment Scale Land

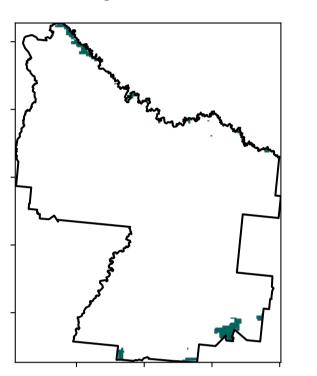
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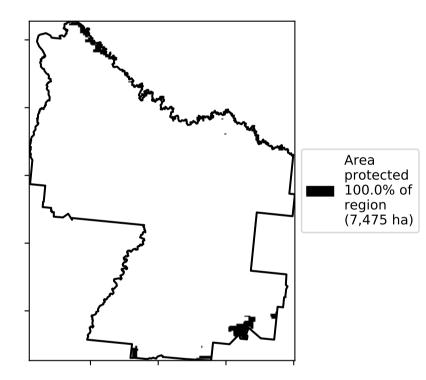
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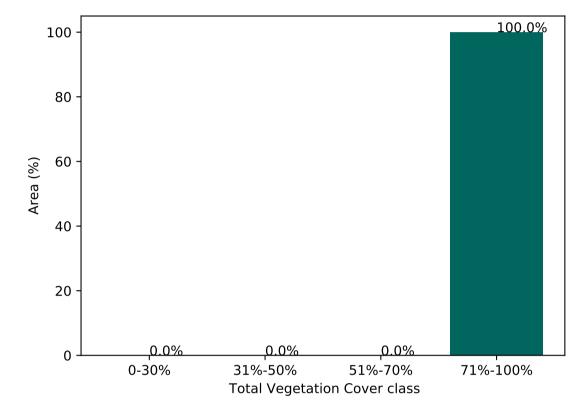
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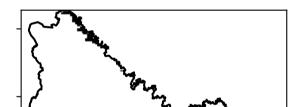
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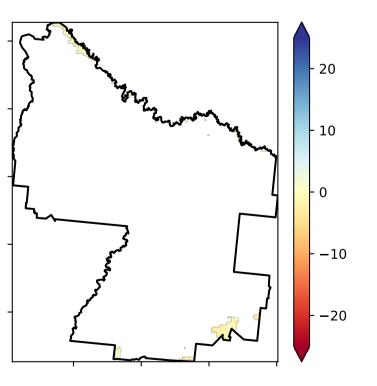
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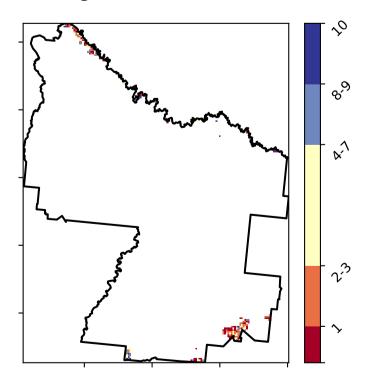
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Area protected 100.0% of region (7,475 ha)

**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

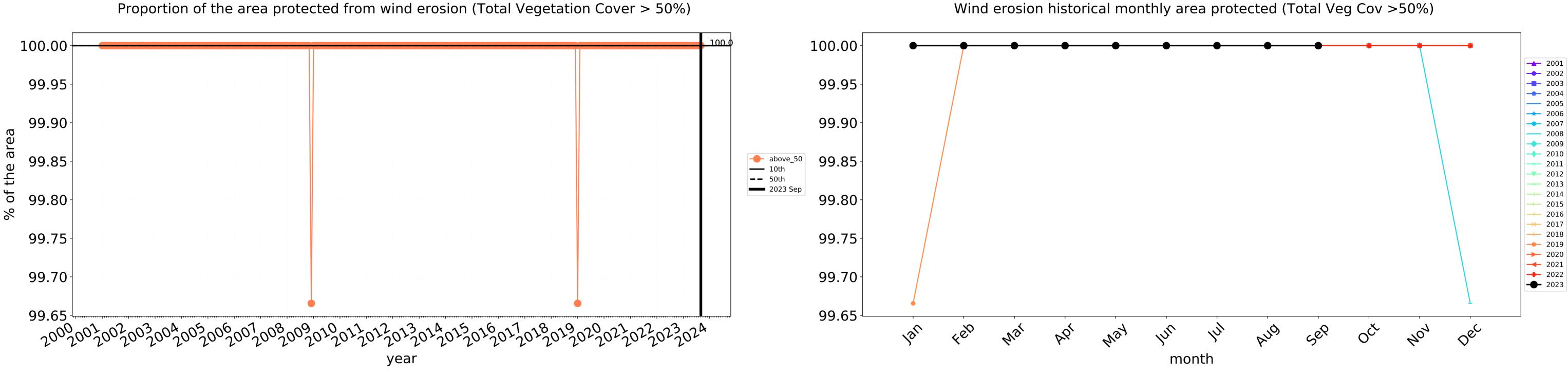
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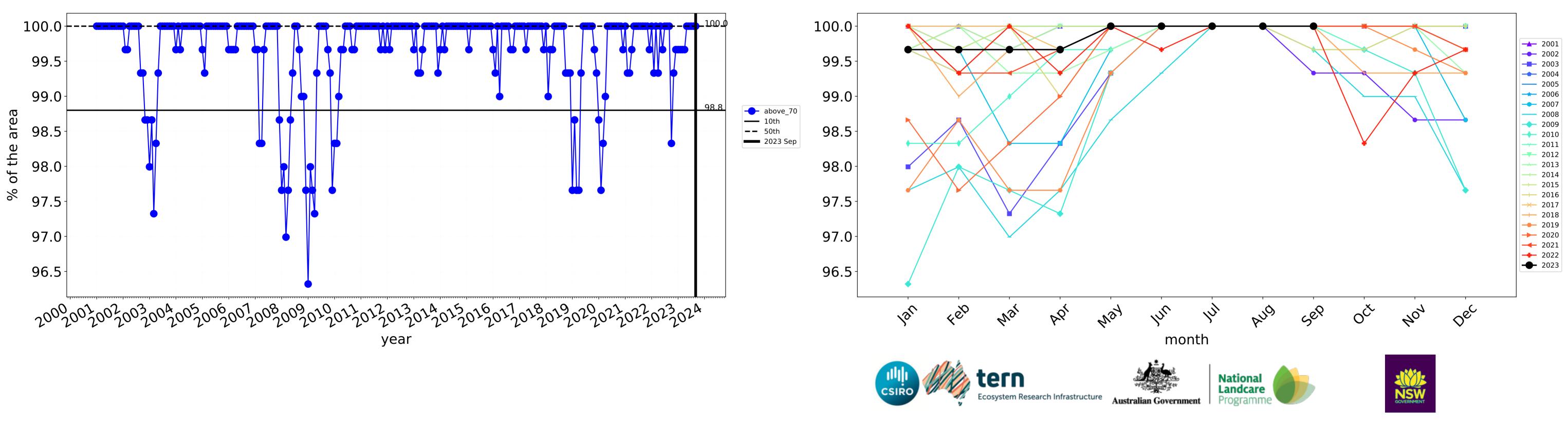




### Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries



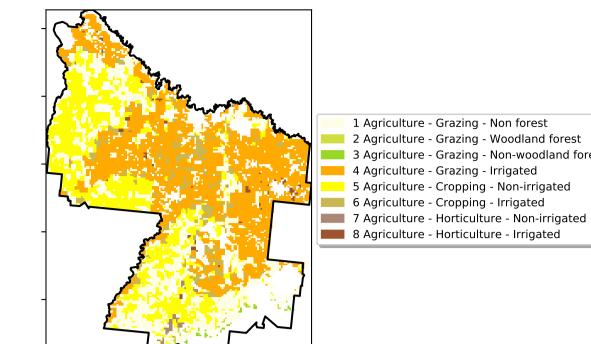
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



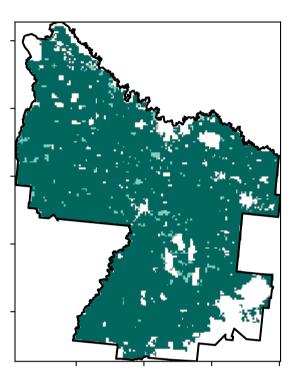
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

#### **Agriculture**

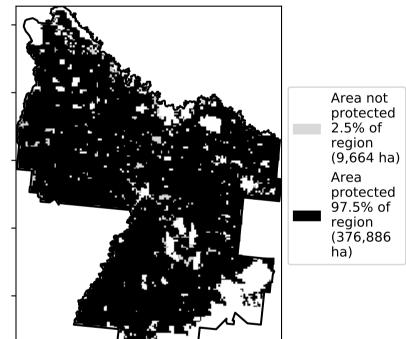
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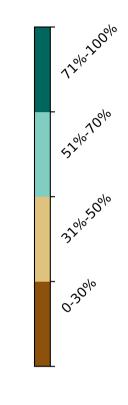


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 









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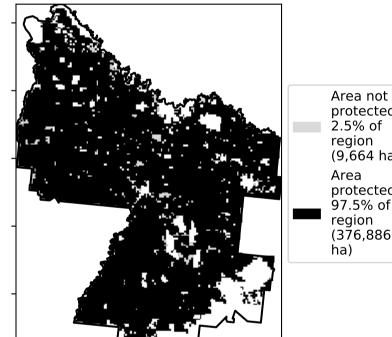
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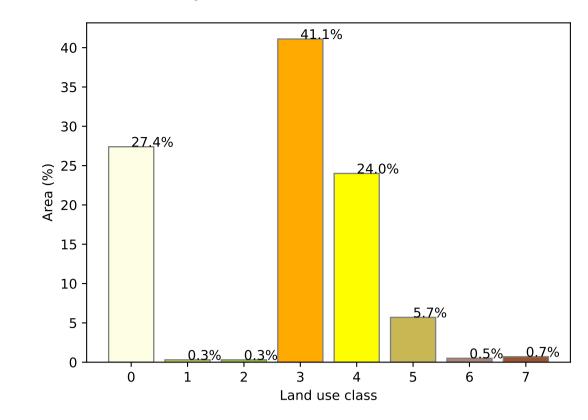
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2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest

5 Agriculture - Cropping - Non-irrigated

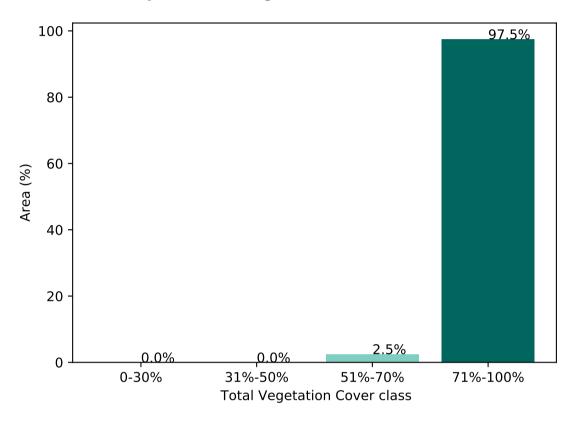
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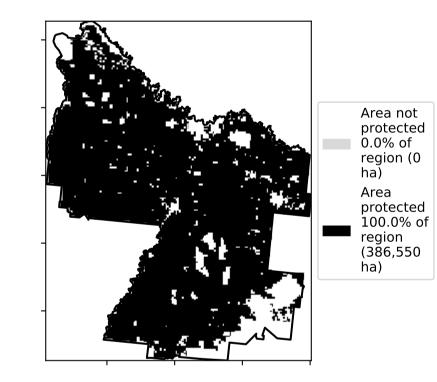


#### Proportion of each land class in area

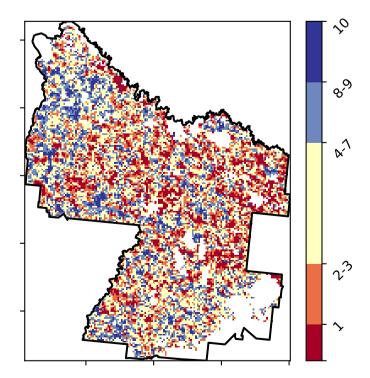
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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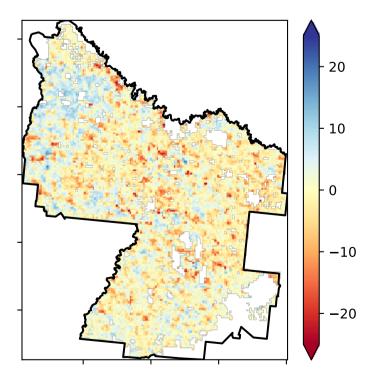
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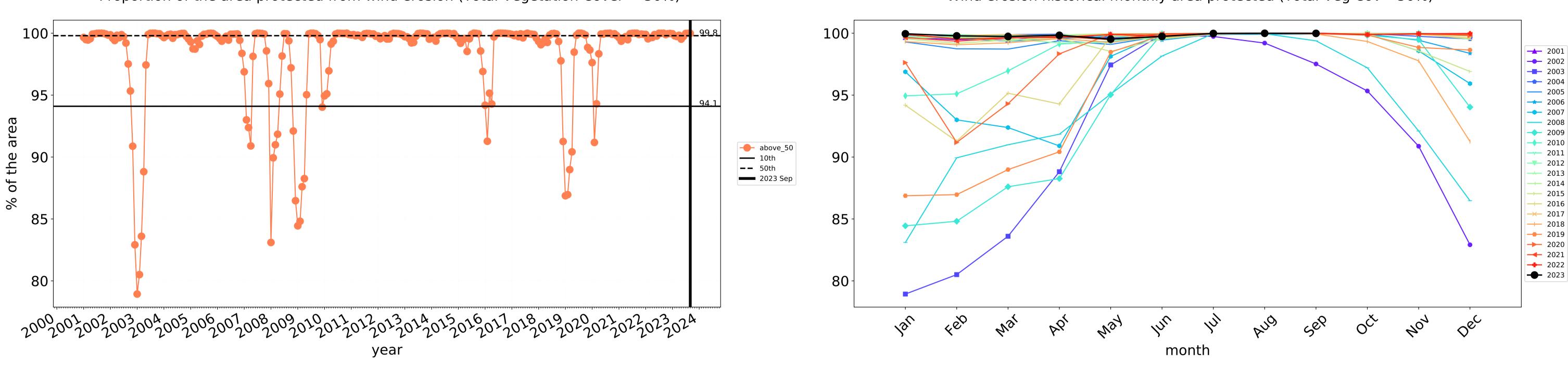
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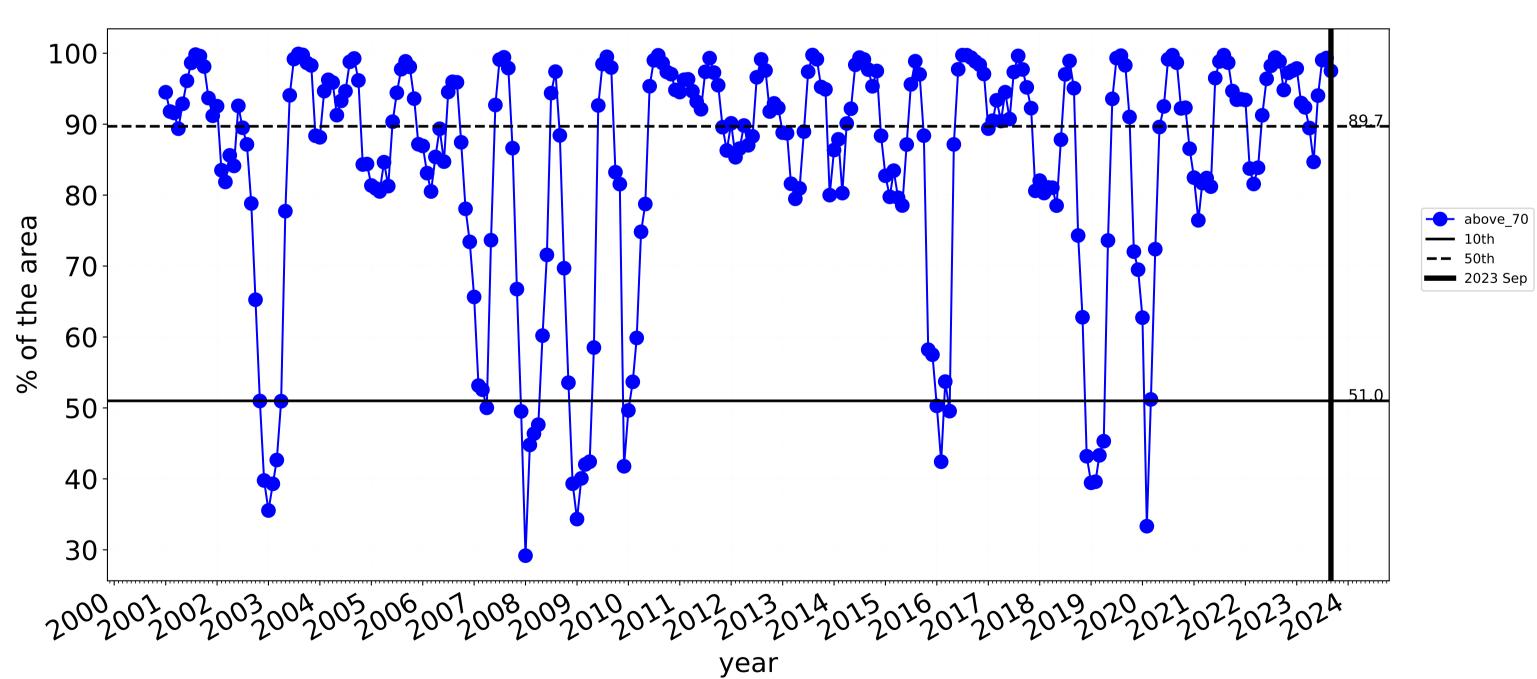


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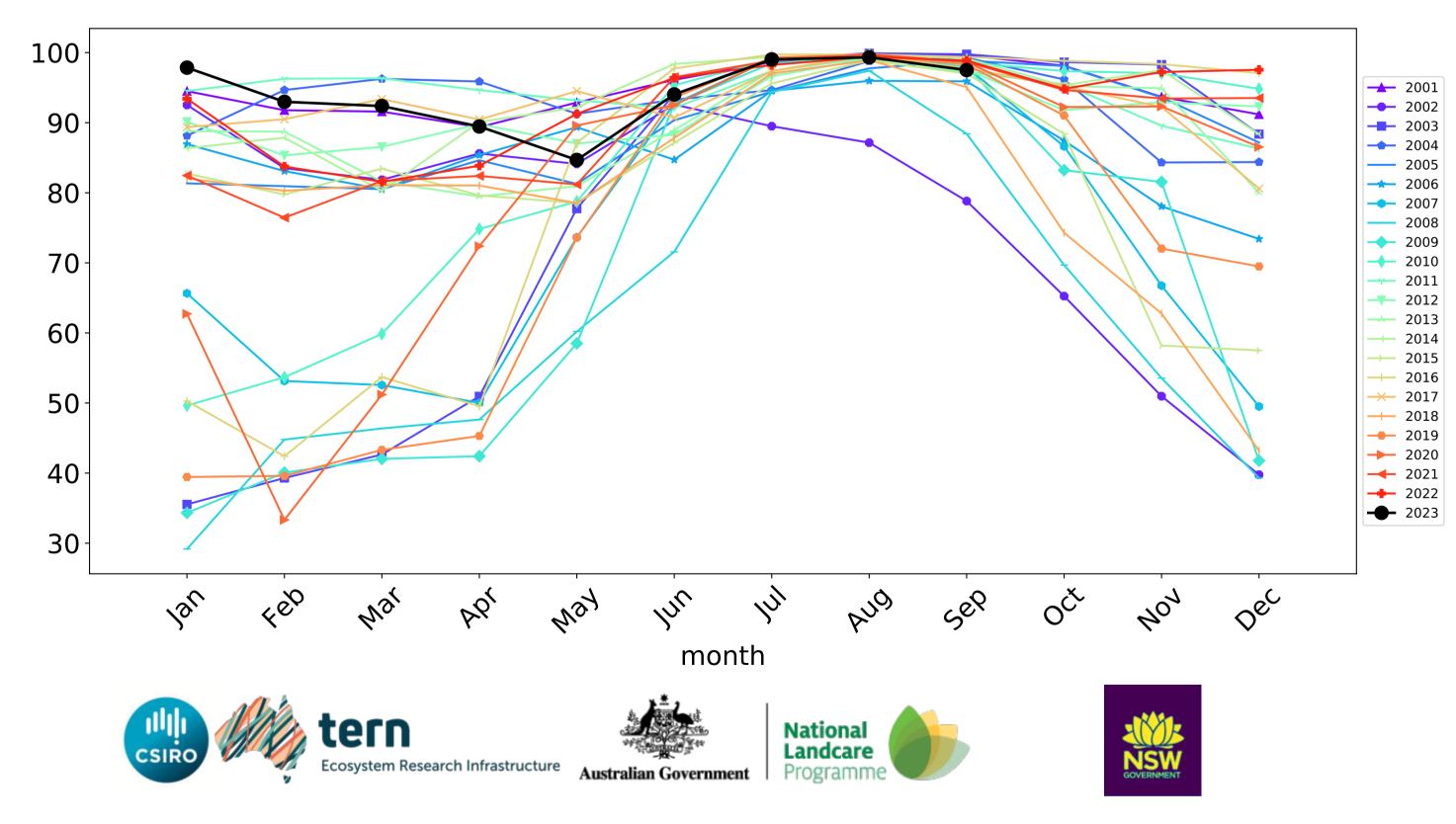
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

### **Agriculture timeseries**

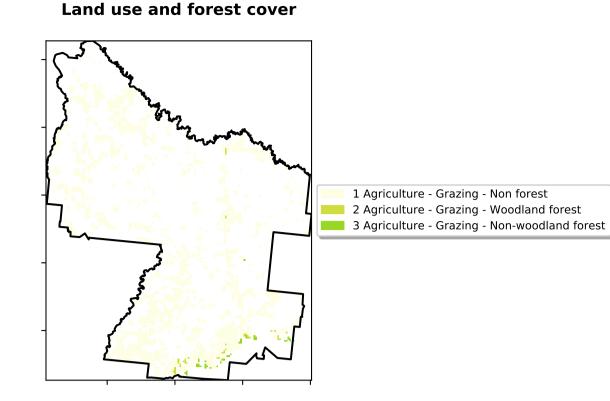
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#### Grazing

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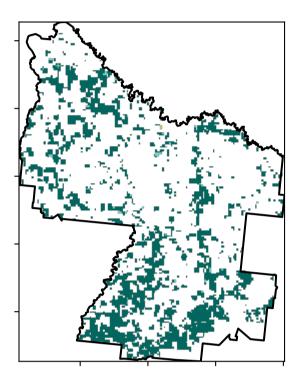
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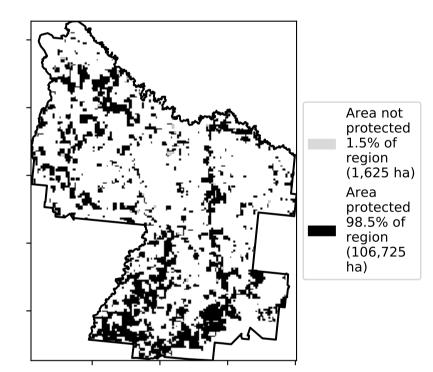
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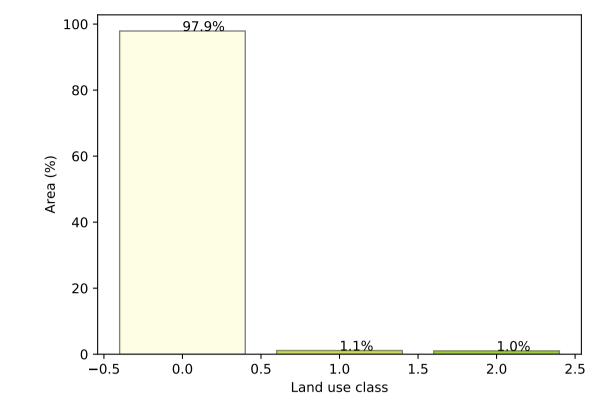
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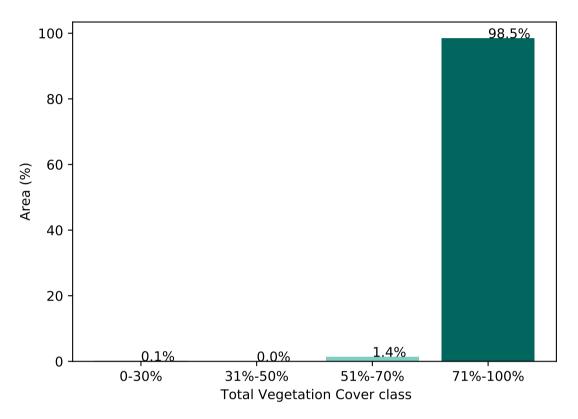




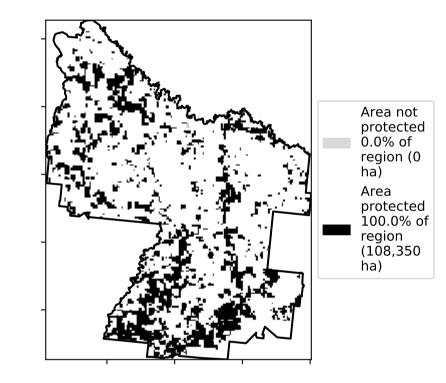


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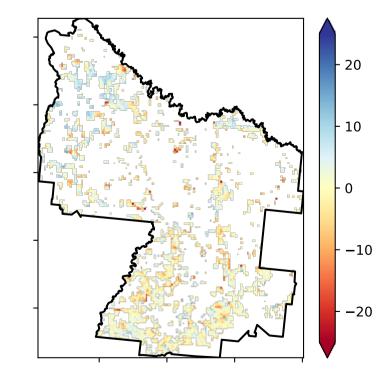
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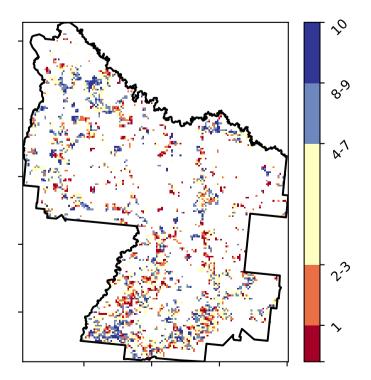


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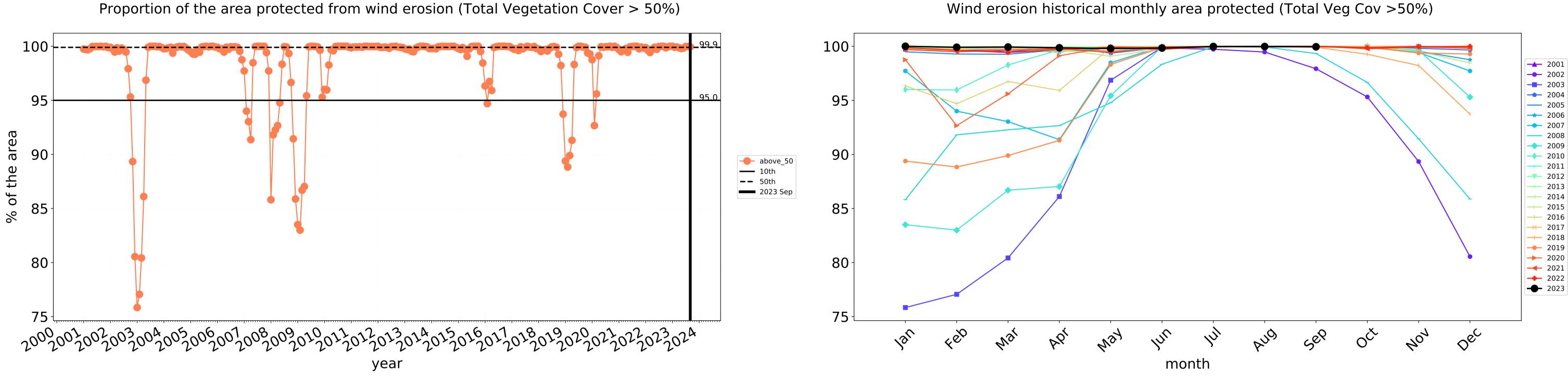
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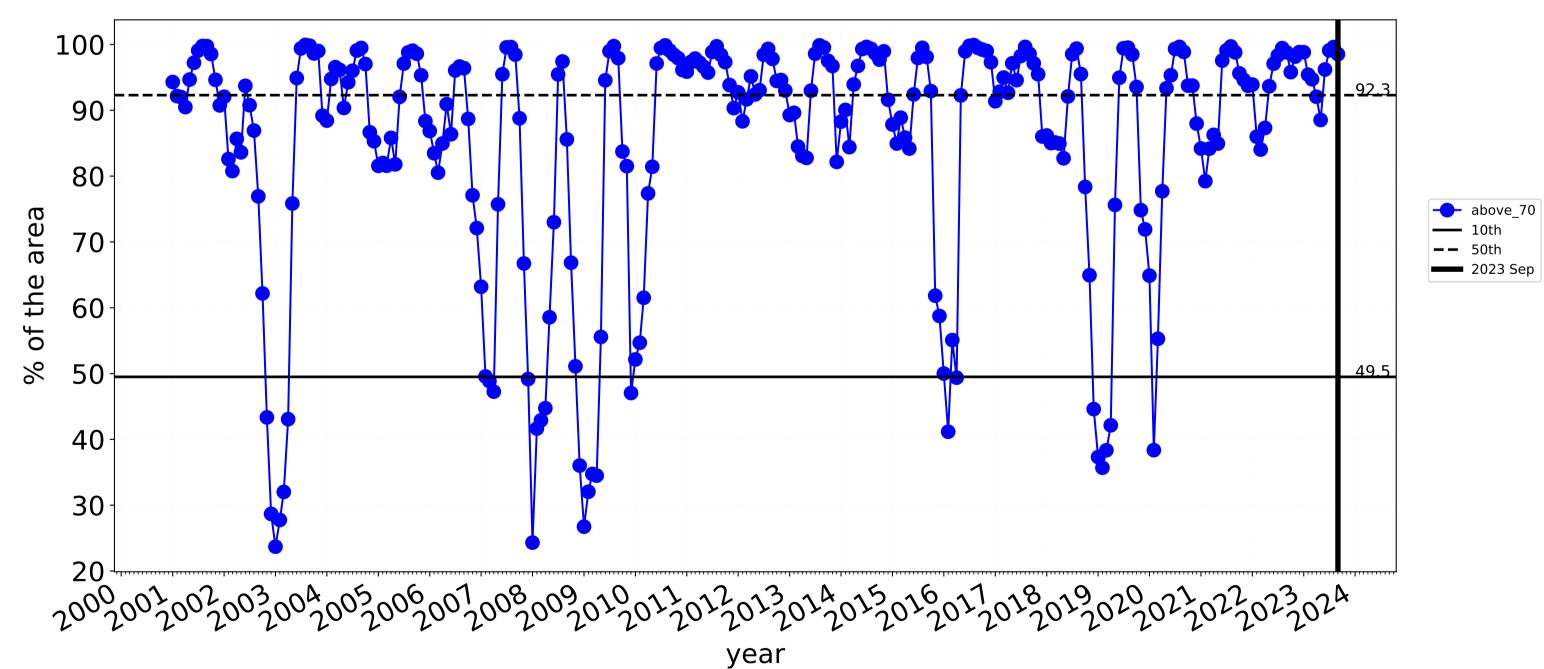
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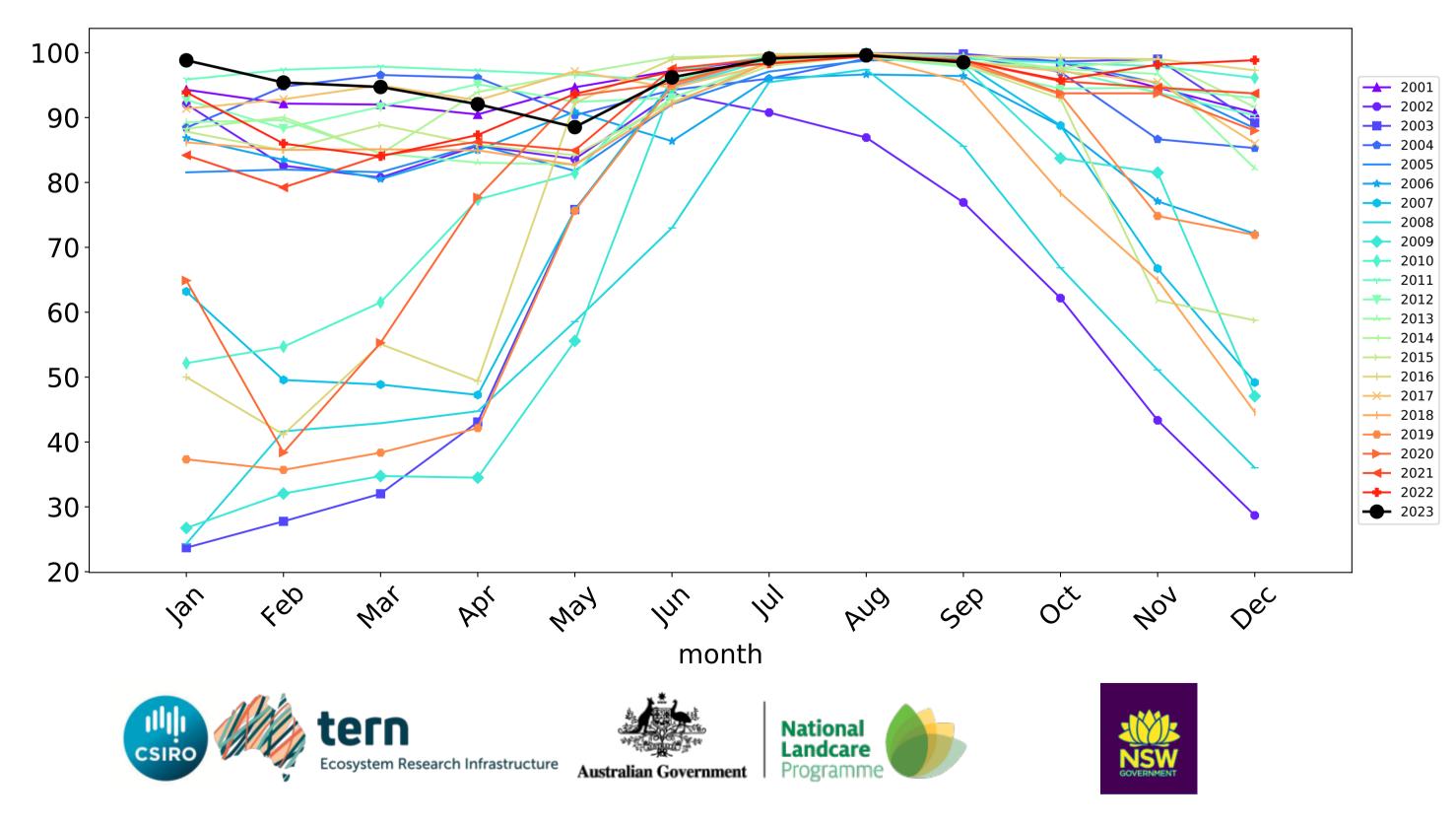




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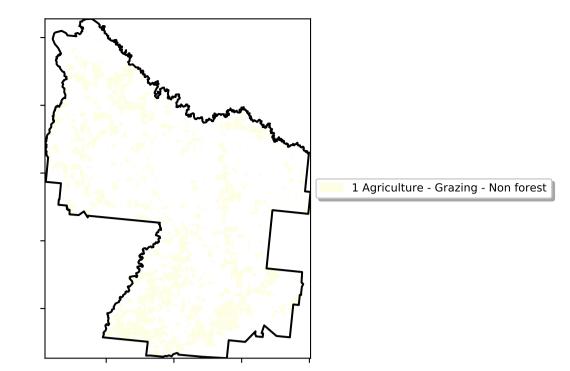
### Grazing timeseries

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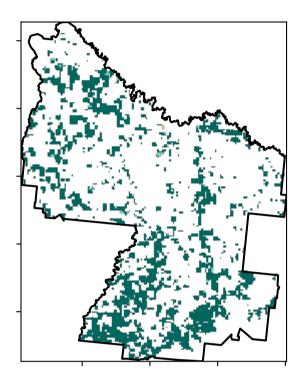


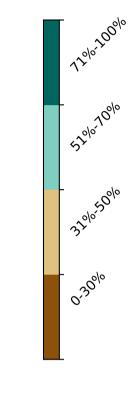
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Land use and forest cover

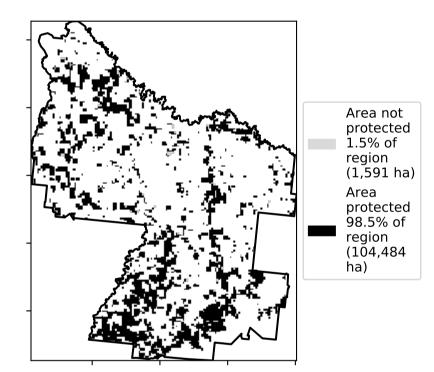


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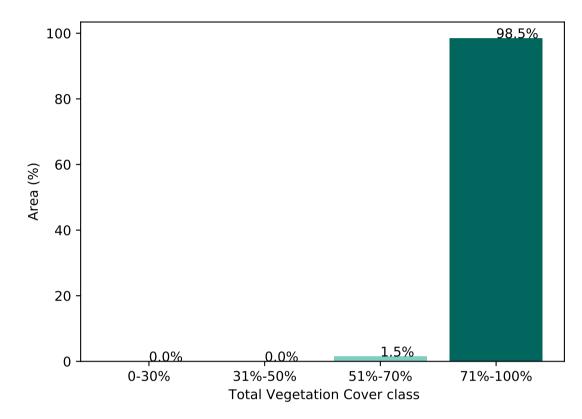




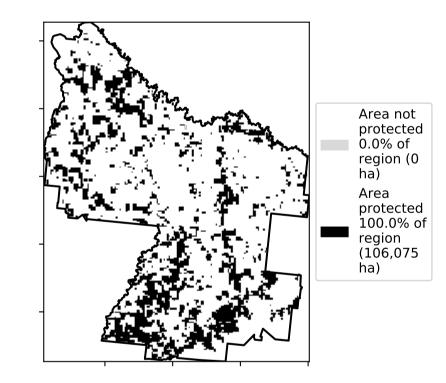
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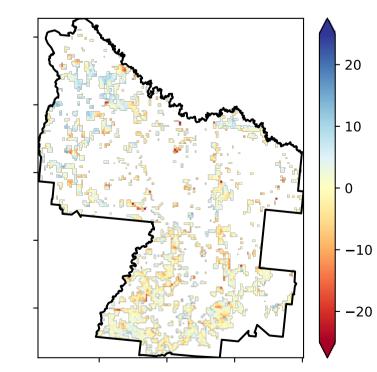
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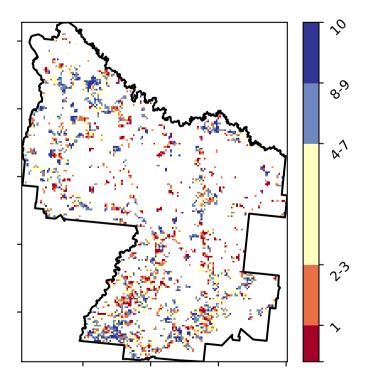
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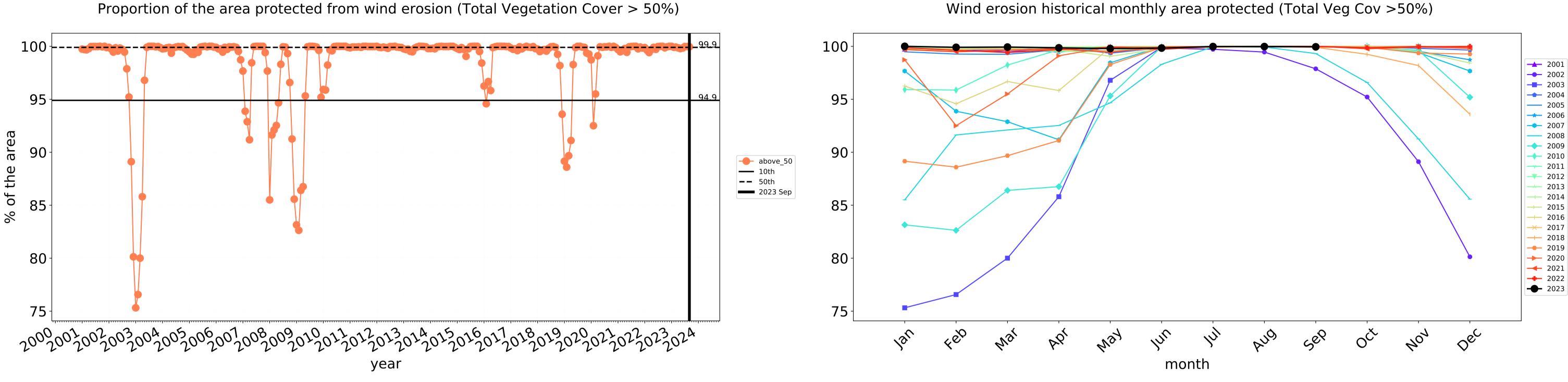


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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

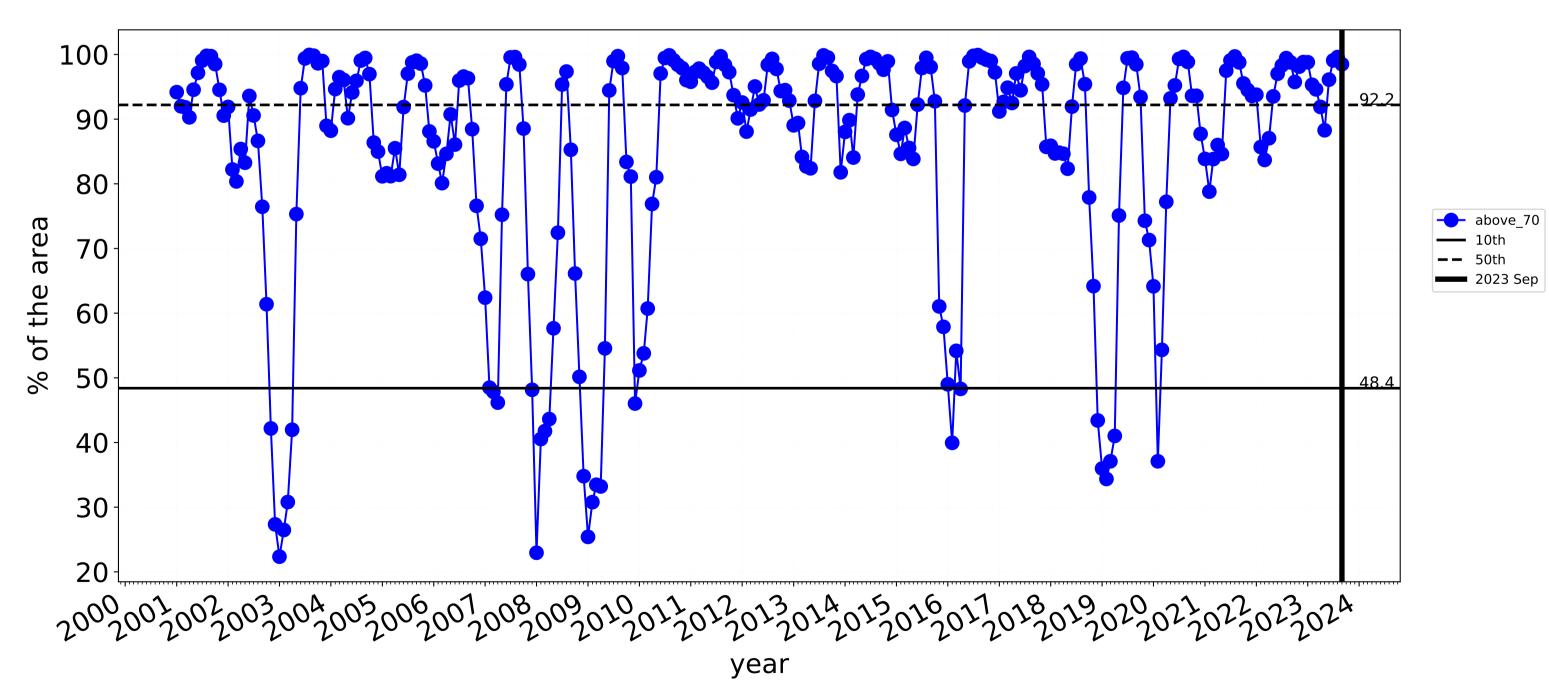






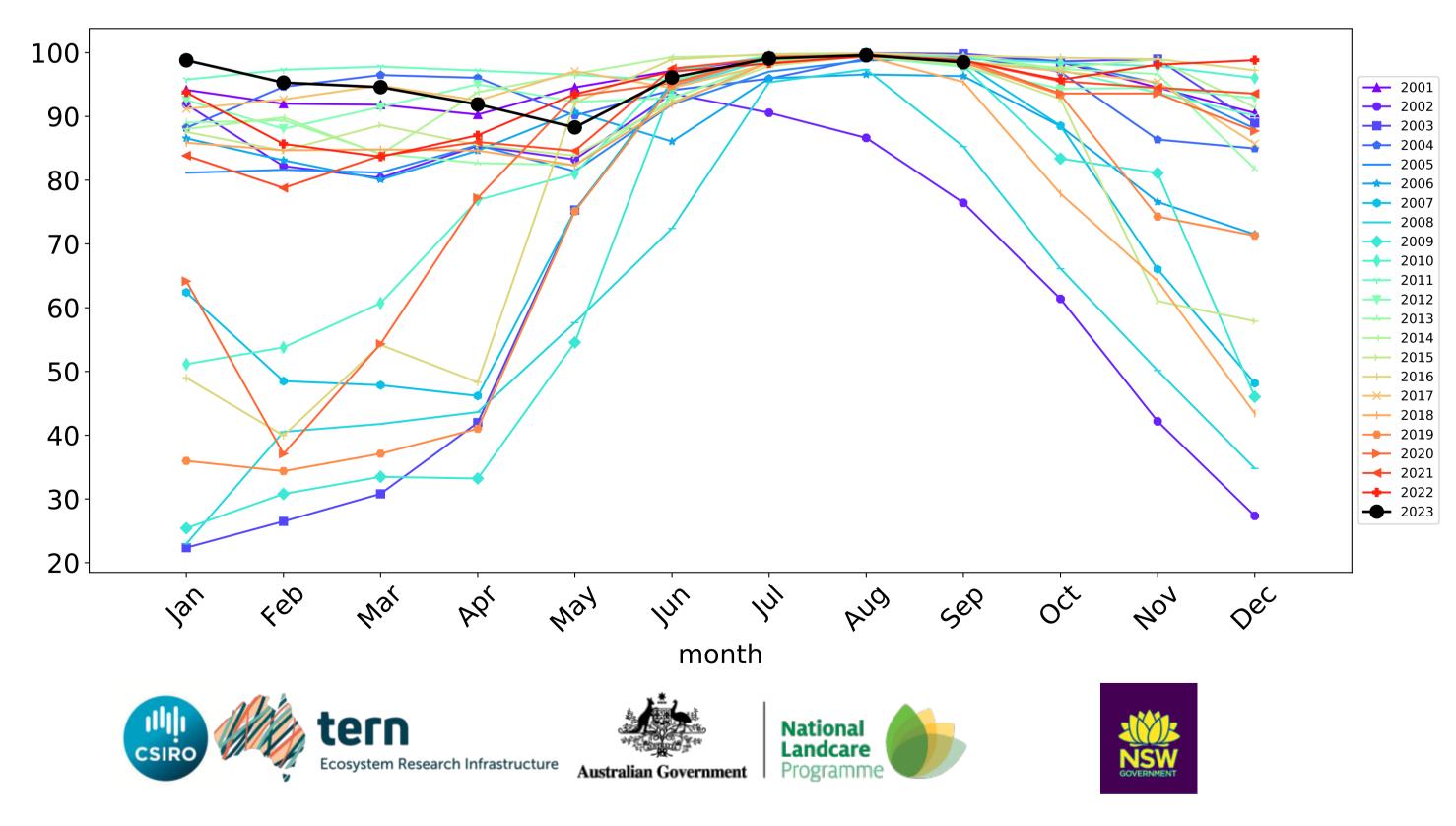
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



### Grazing non forest timeseries

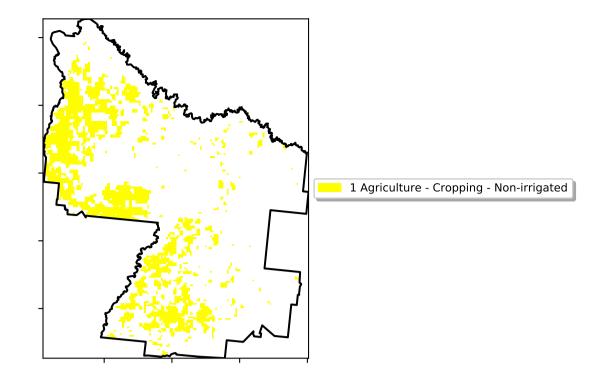
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



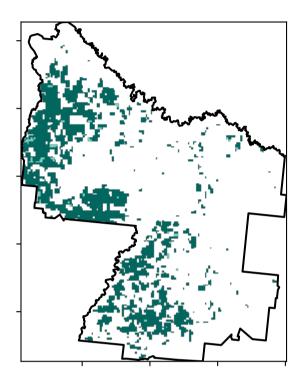
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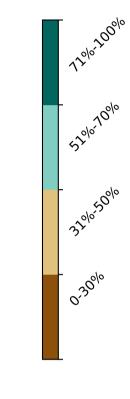
### Cropping

Land use and forest cover

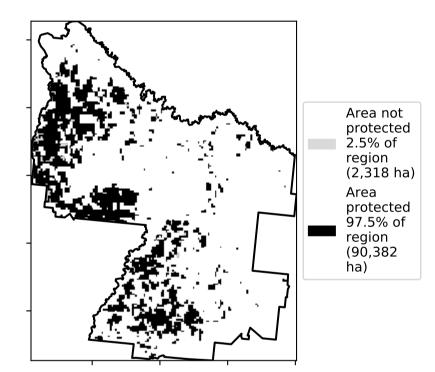


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

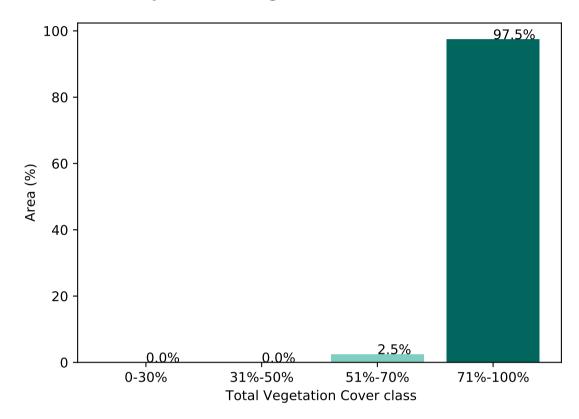




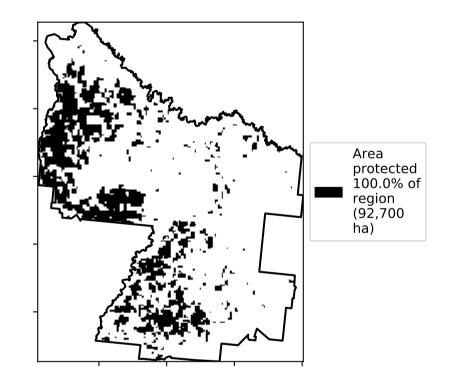
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

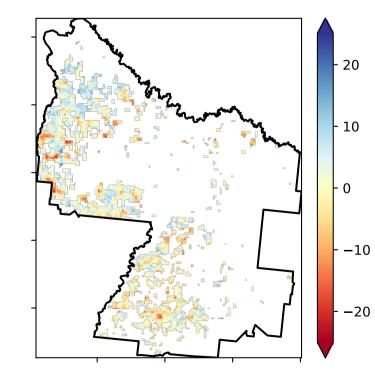


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



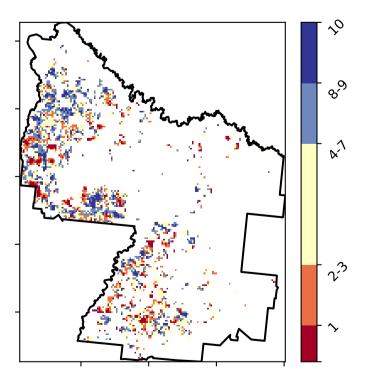
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



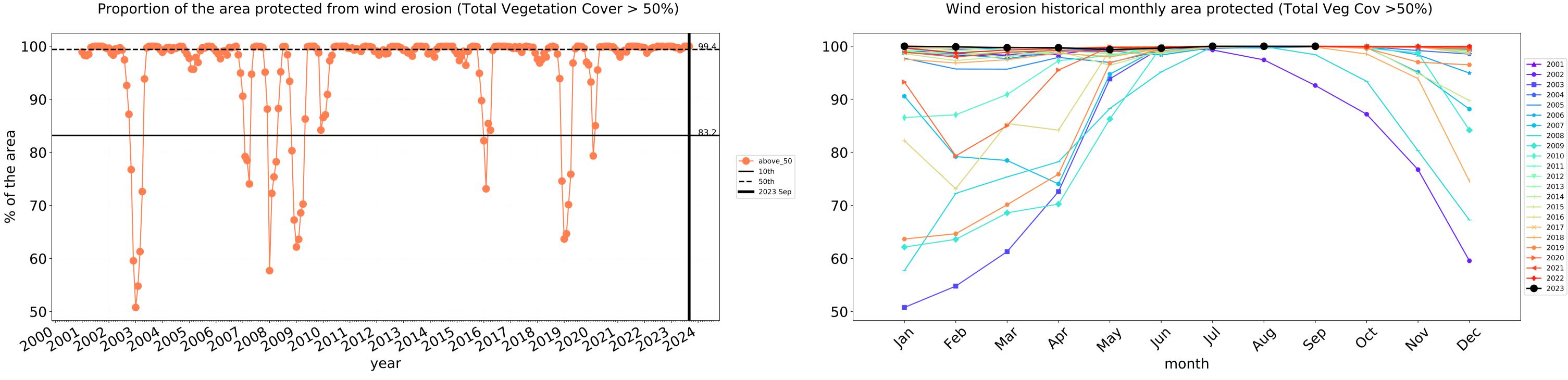
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



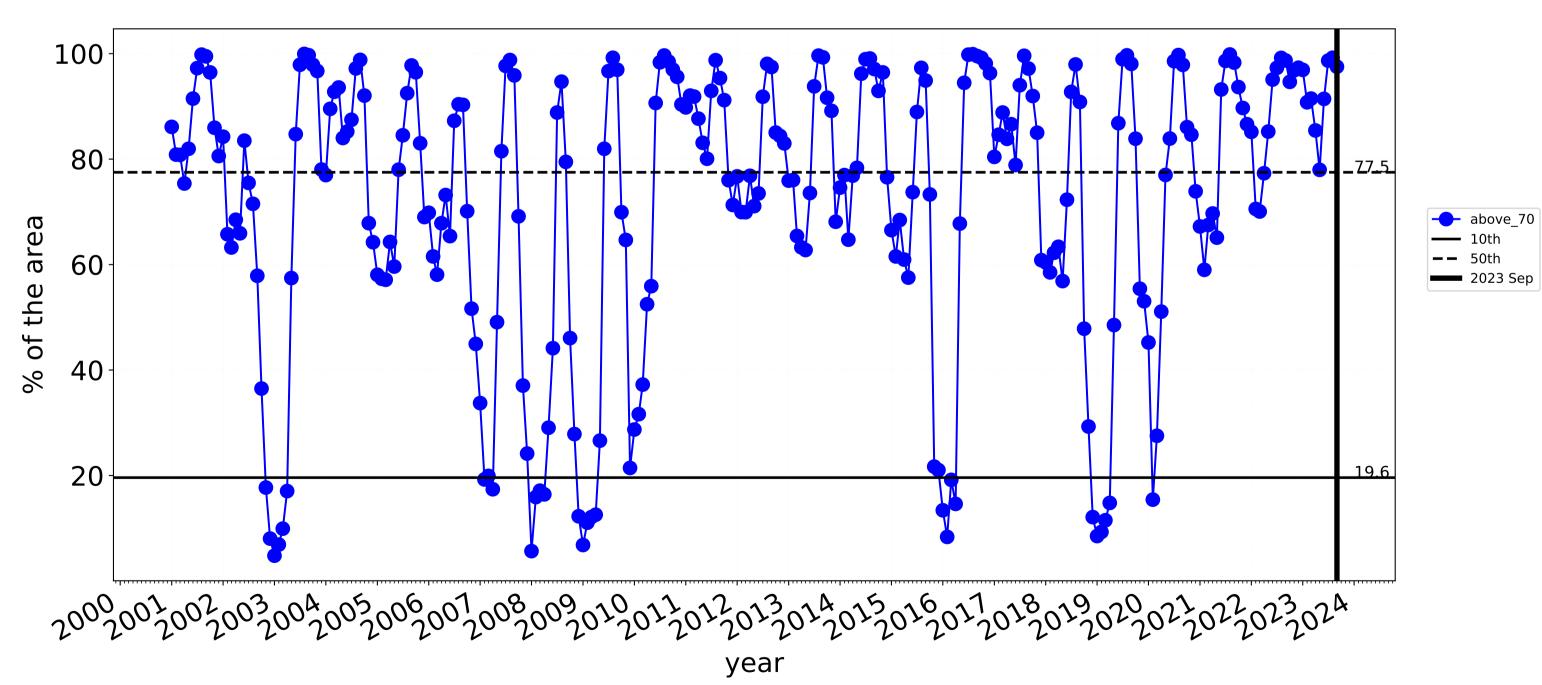


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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

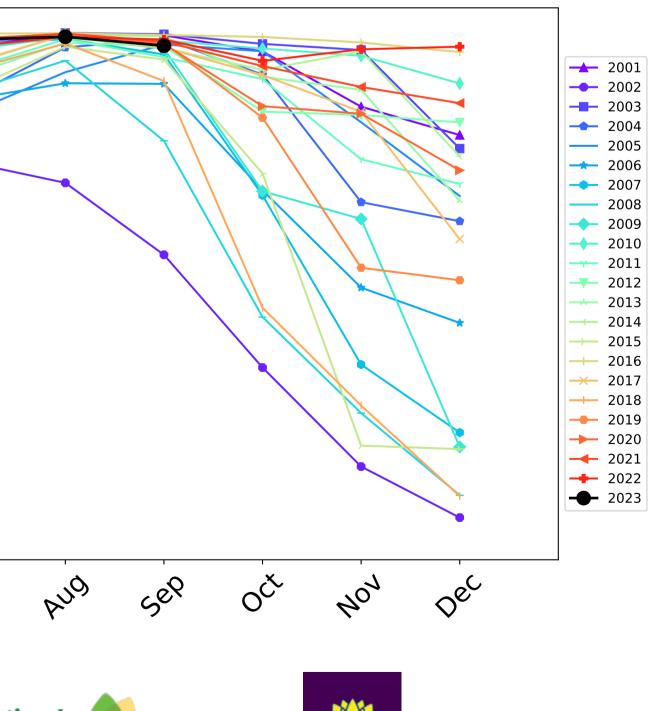
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



### **Cropping timeseries**

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

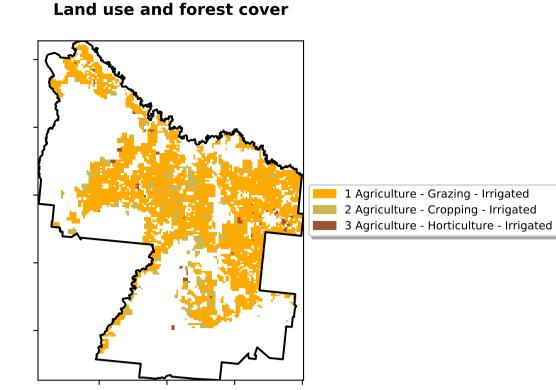




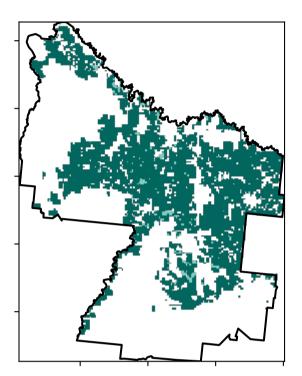


#### Irrigation

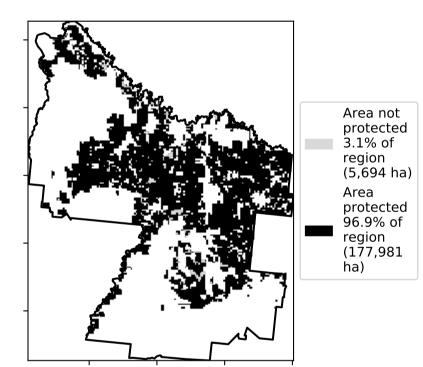
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Total Vegetation Cover [%]



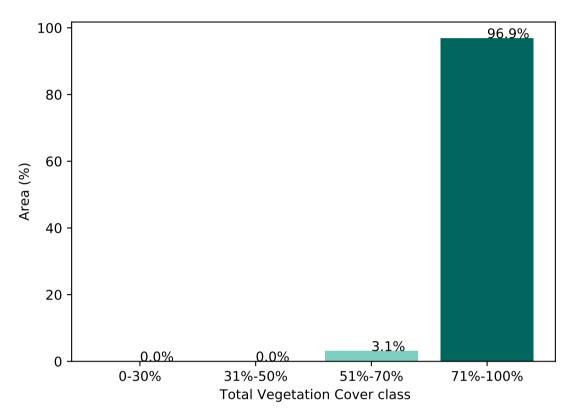




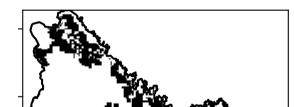
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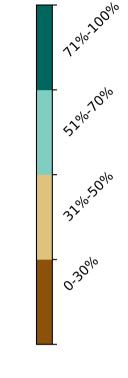
#### Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



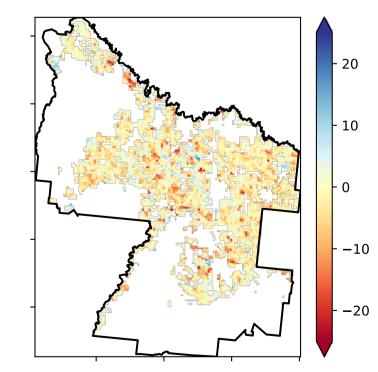
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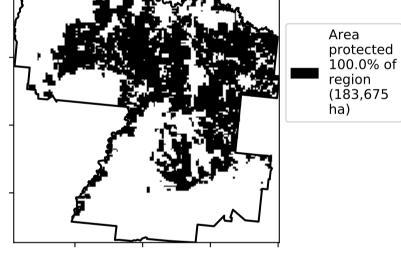


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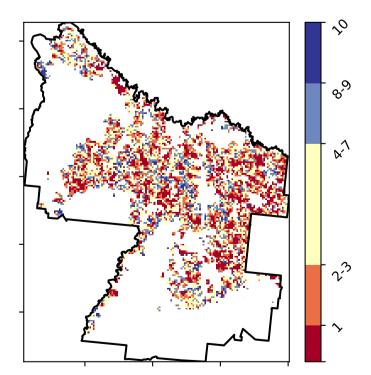
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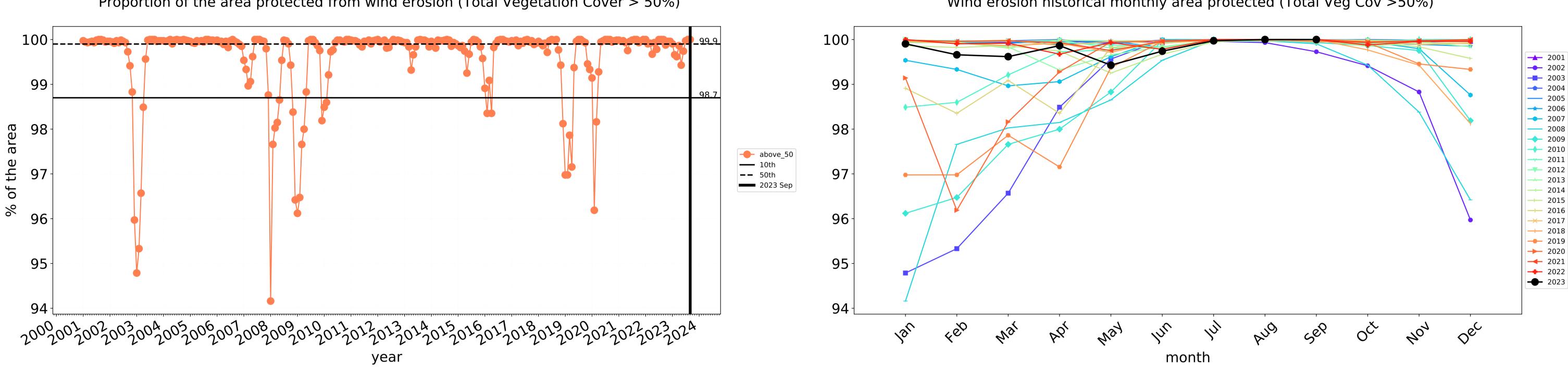
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

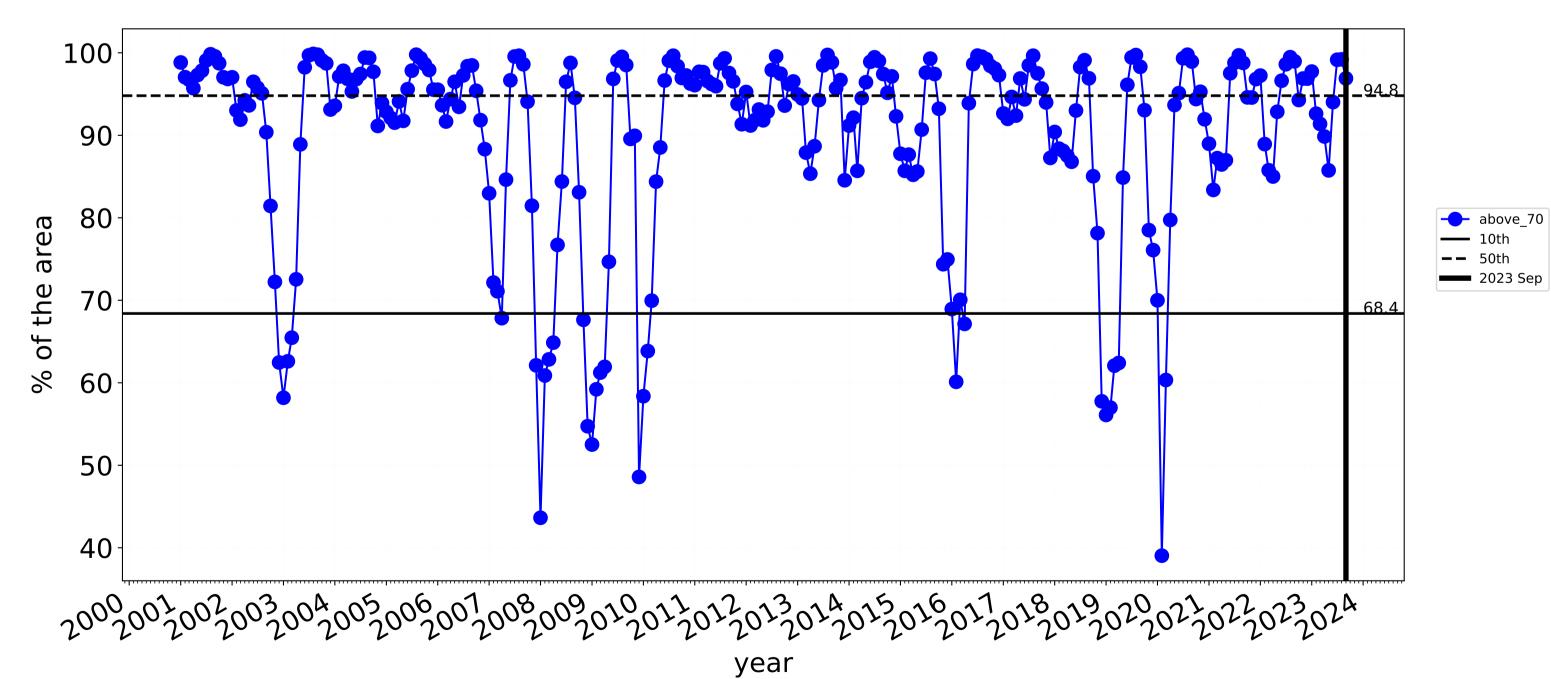






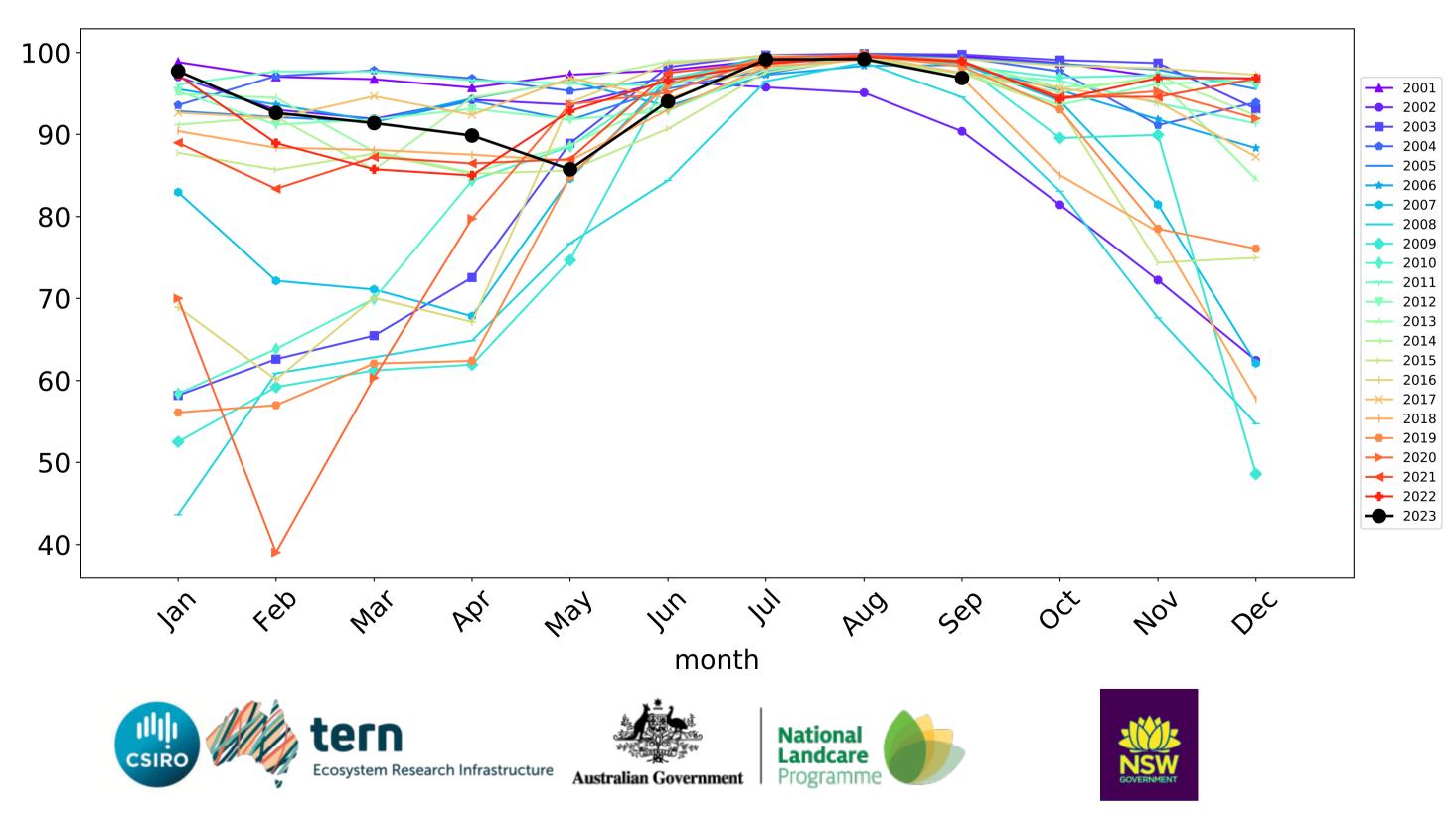
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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



### Irrigation timeseries

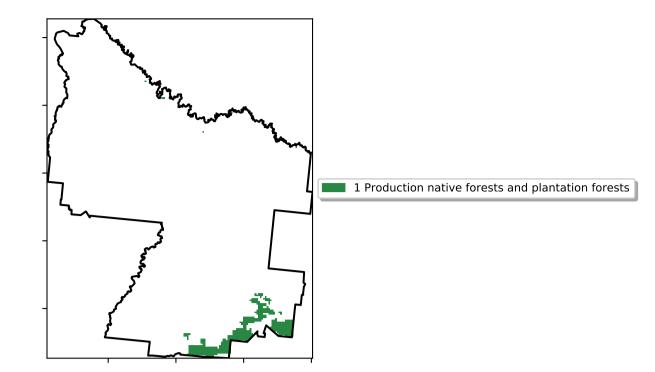
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



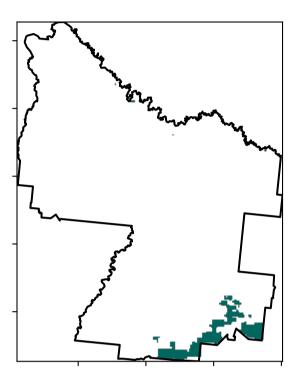
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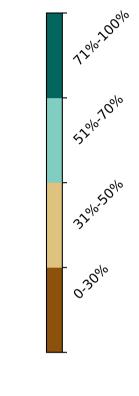
### **Production native forests and plantation forests**

Land use and forest cover

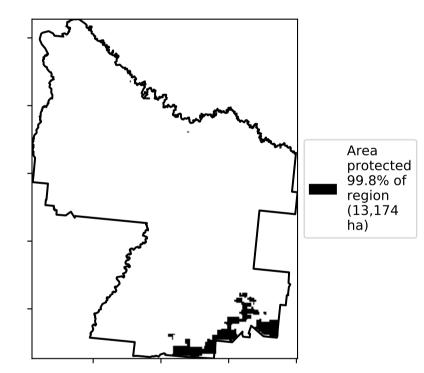


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

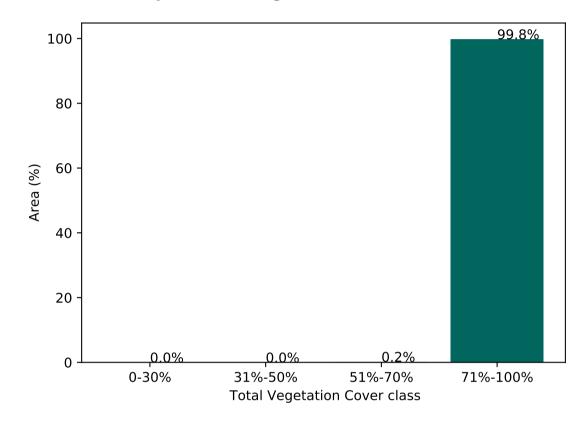




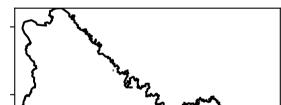
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



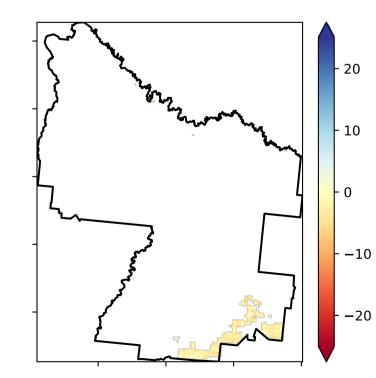
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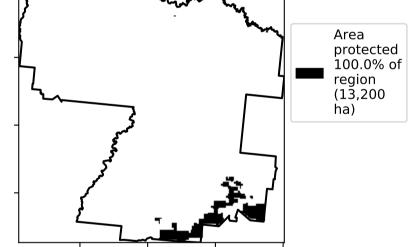


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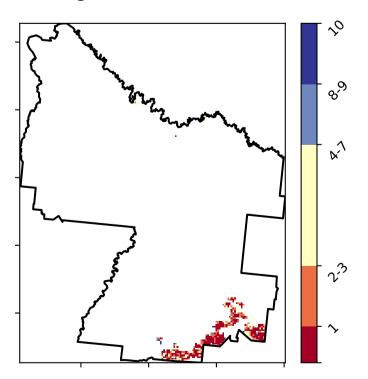
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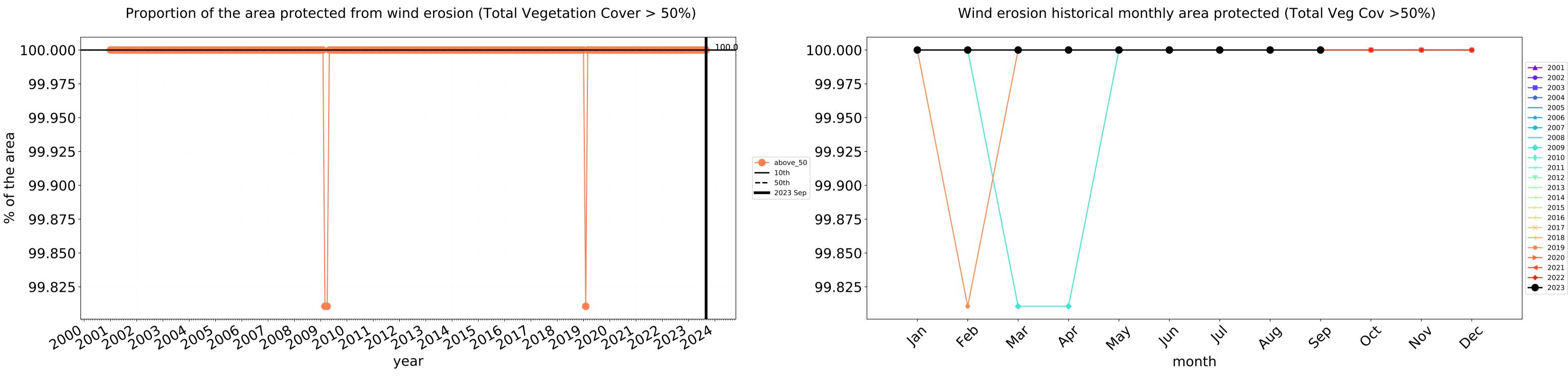
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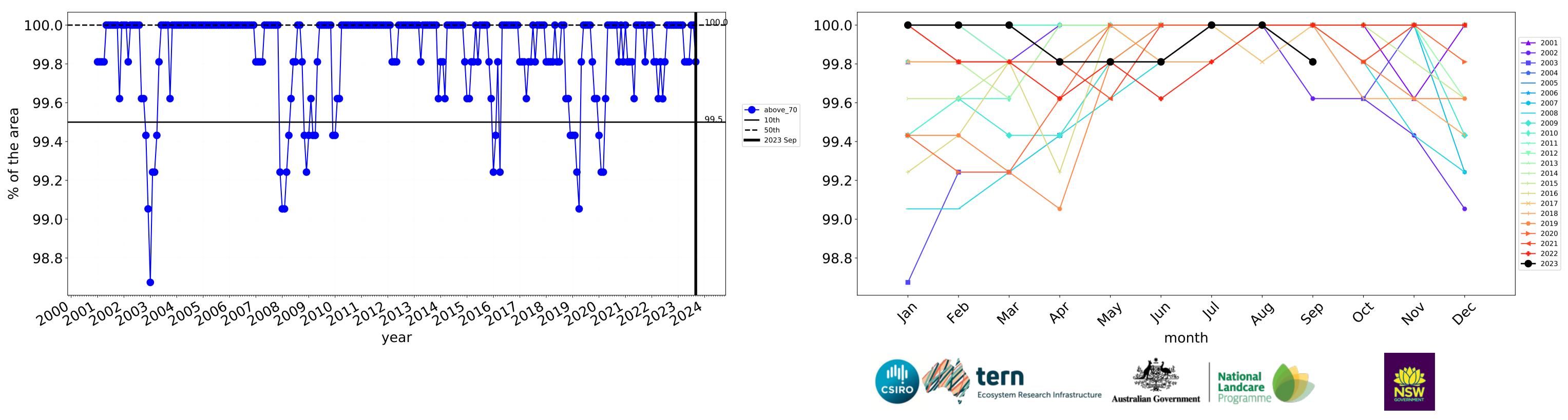
**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 











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

# Campaspe\_(S) (444,575 ha and no data 7,379 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	444,575	100.0% 444,575	99.9% 444,100	97.1% 431,600	80.5% 358,000	15.0% 66,575	1.6% 7,050
Conservation and natural environments	17,050	100.0% 17,050	100.0% 17,050	98.8% 16,850	90.0% 15,350	26.4% 4,500	3.7% 625
Conservation and natural environments non forest	6,625	100.0% 6,625	100.0% 6,625	97.4% 6,450	86.0% 5,700	19.2% 1,275	2.6% 175
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	7,475	100.0% 7,475	100.0% 7,475	100.0% 7,475	94.3% 7,050	29.8% 2,225	1.7% 125
Agriculture	386,550	100.0% 386,550	100.0% 386,500	97.5% 376,925	80.5% 311,125	14.3% 55,400	1.5% 5,725
Grazing	108,350	100.0% 108,350	100.0% 108,300	98.5% 106,750	86.0% 93,200	19.5% 21,175	1.9% 2,050
Grazing non forest	106,075	100.0% 106,075	100.0% 106,025	98.5% 104,475	85.8% 91,000	19.7% 20,850	1.9% 2,050
Cropping	92,700	100.0% 92,700	100.0% 92,700	97.5% 90,400	79.3% 73,550	15.3% 14,225	1.5% 1,375
Irrigation	183,675	100.0% 183,675	100.0% 183,675	96.9% 177,975	77.8% 142,875	10.7% 19,725	1.2% 2,275
Production native forests and plantation forests	13,200	100.0% 13,200	100.0% 13,200	99.8% 13,175	99.6% 13,150	25.4% 3,350	0.0%

