# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Capel\_(S) WA

# Date: August 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:

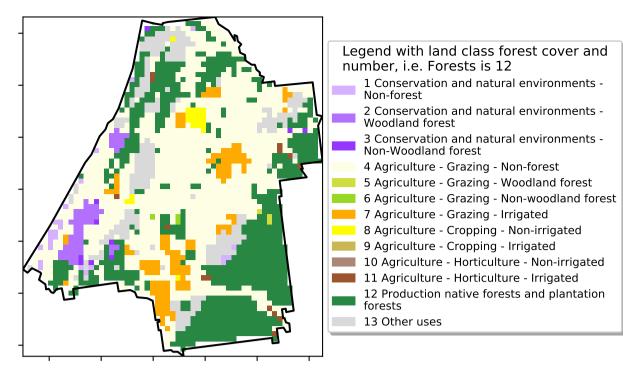
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- 3. https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pastures-and-rangelands/establishment-mgmt/production-management2/groundcover
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# **Vegetation Cover Aug 2023**

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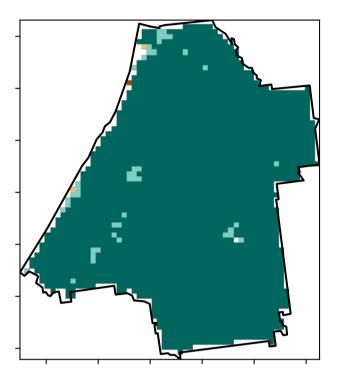
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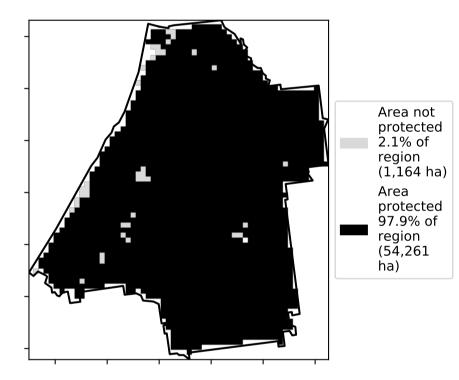
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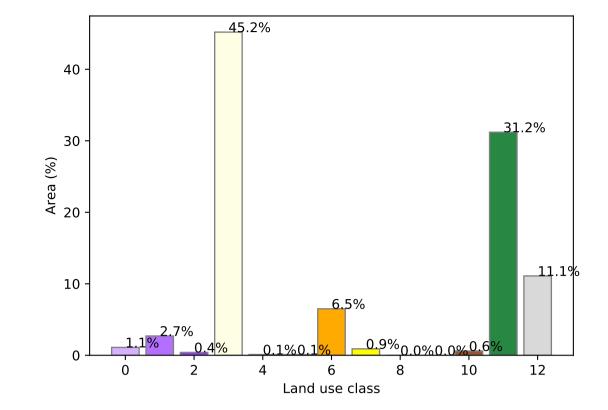
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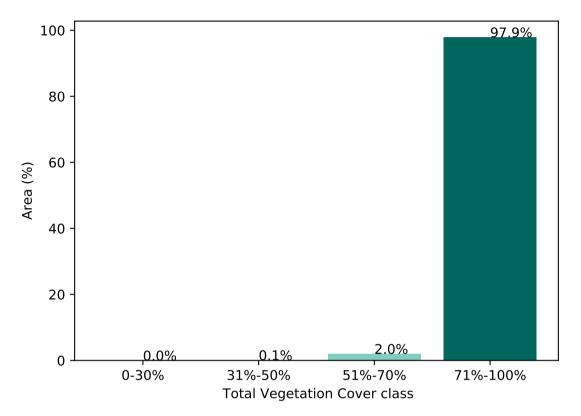


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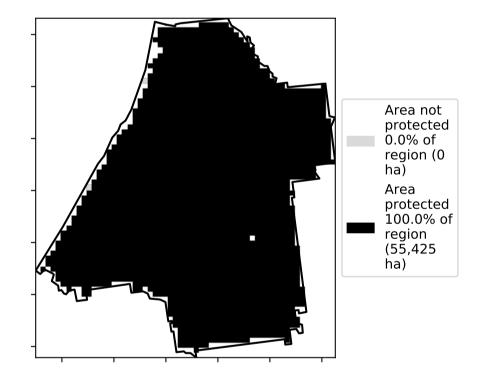




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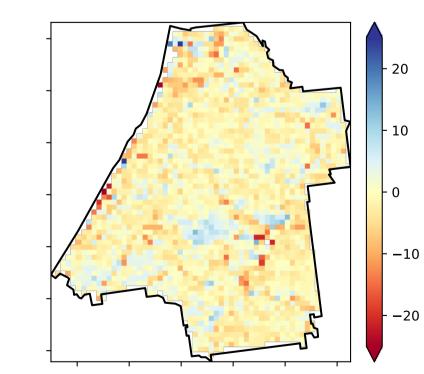


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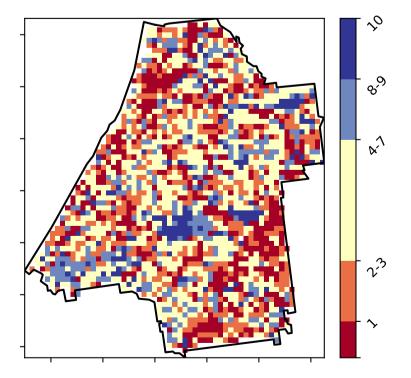


#### Proportion of each land class in area

**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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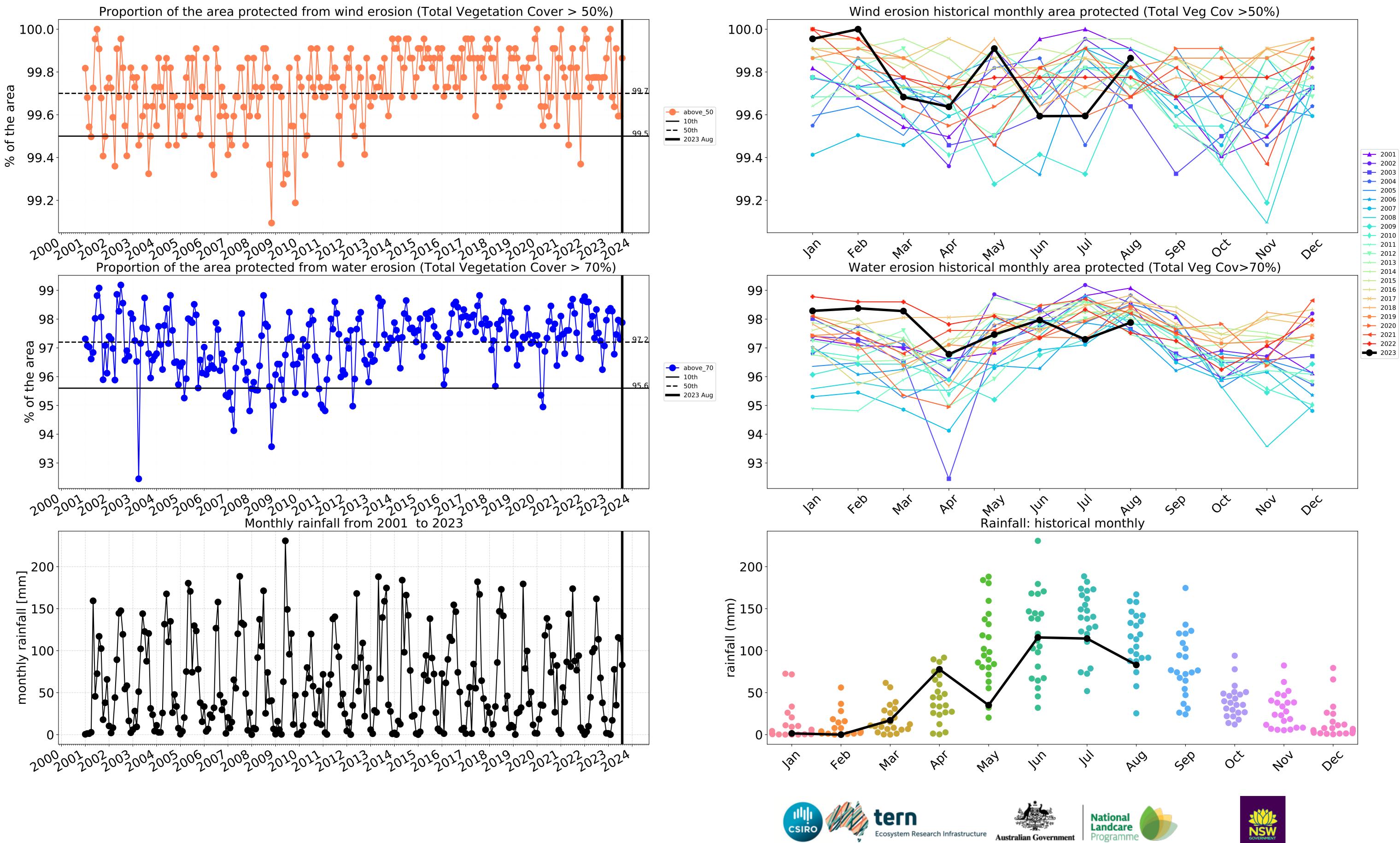
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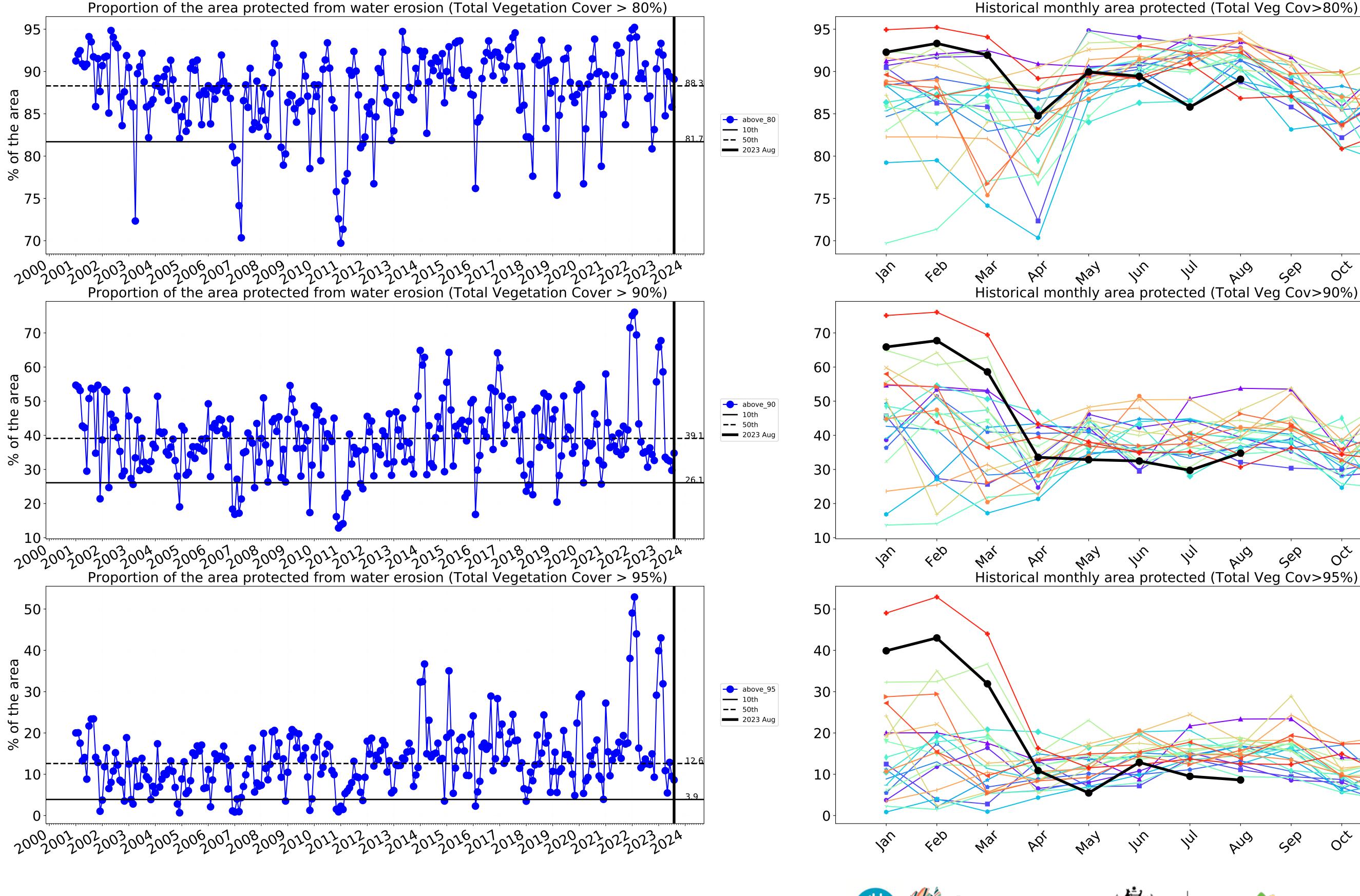
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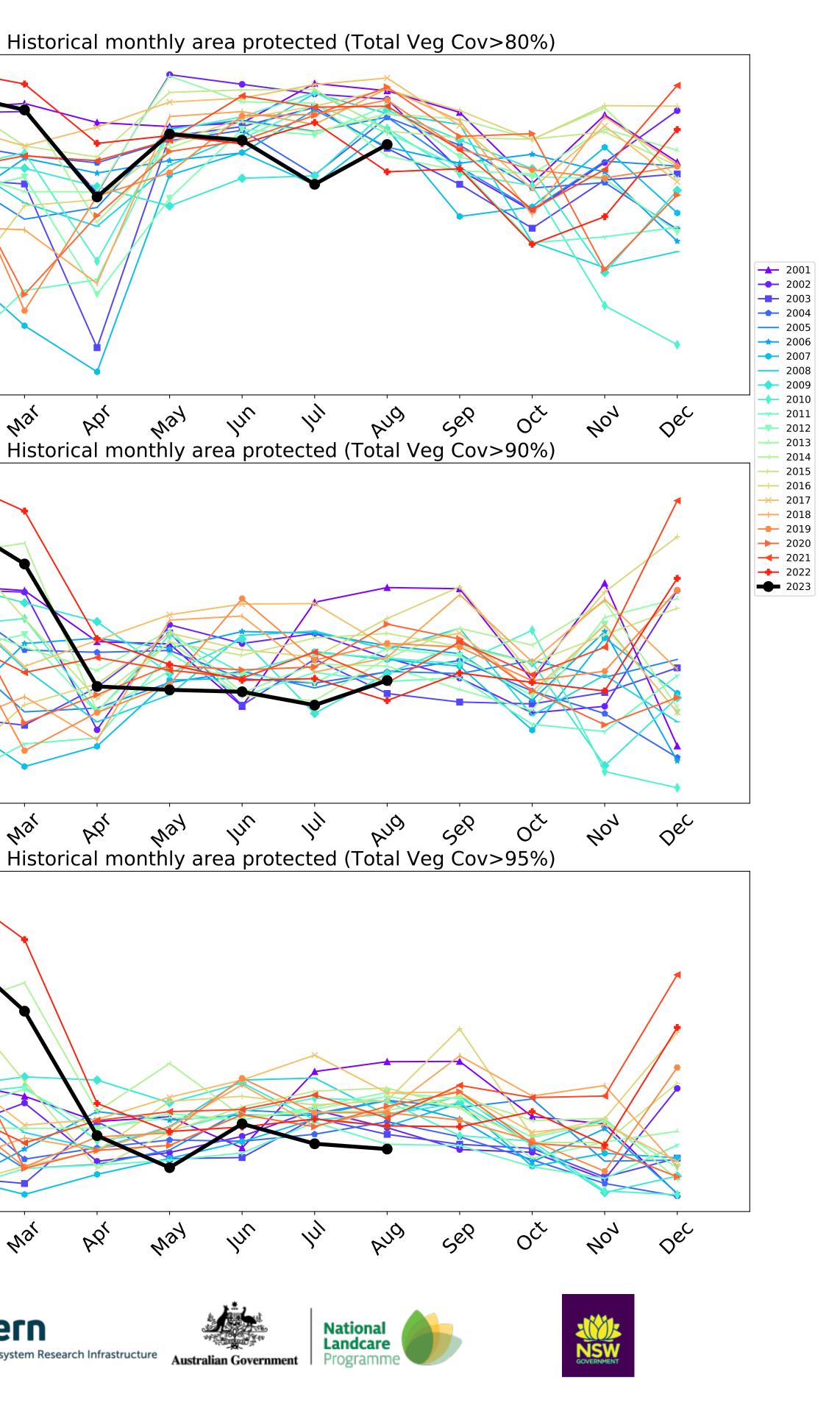
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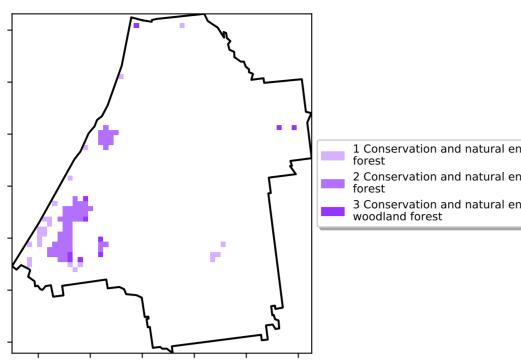




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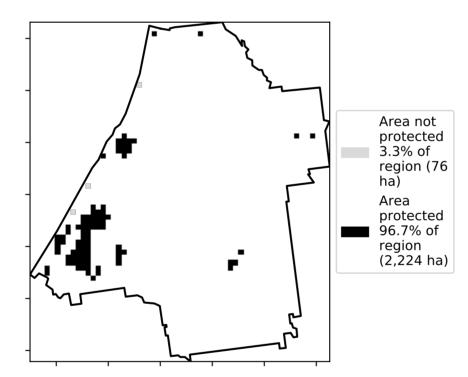
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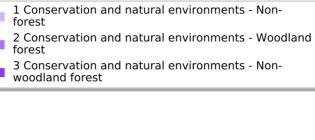


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

Land use and forest cover







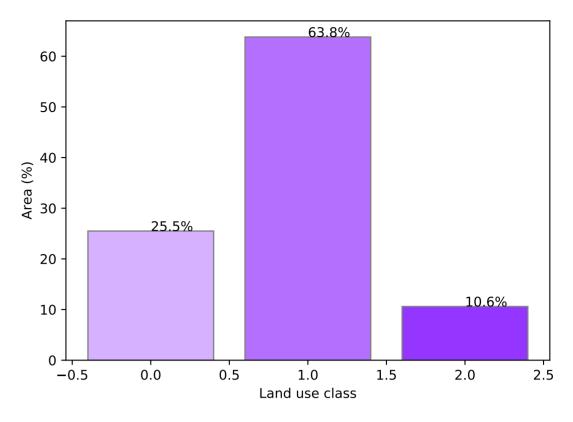
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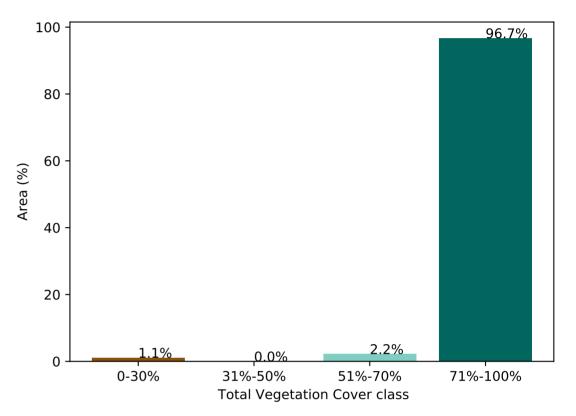
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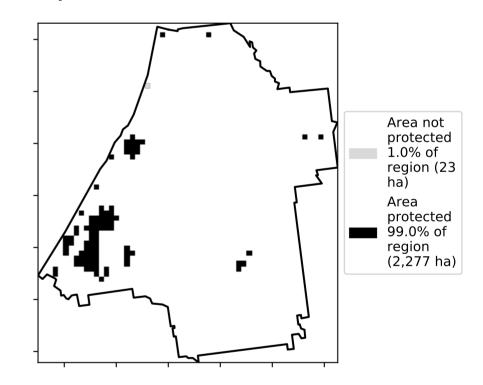
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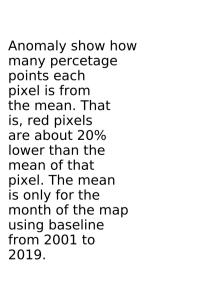
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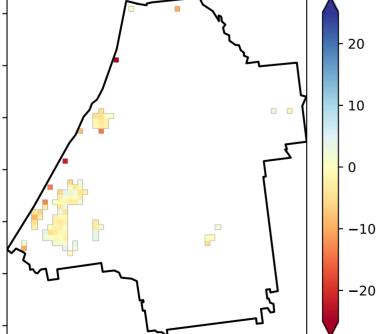


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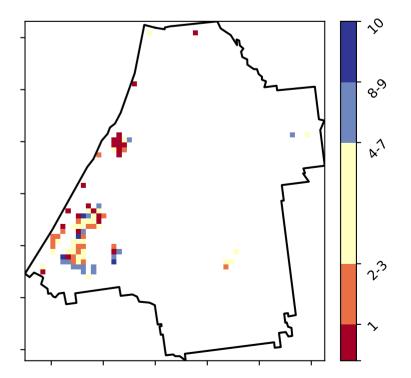


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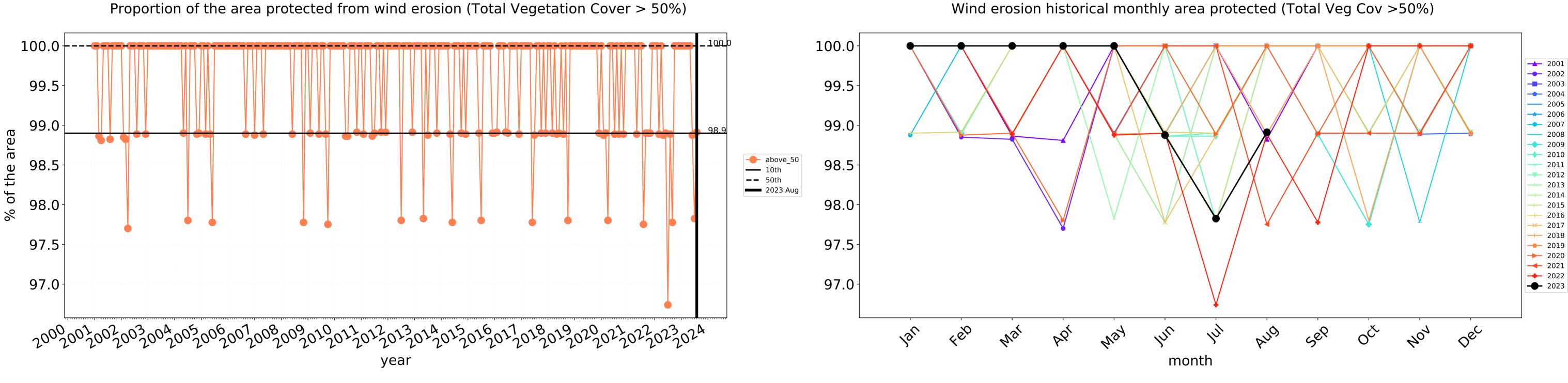




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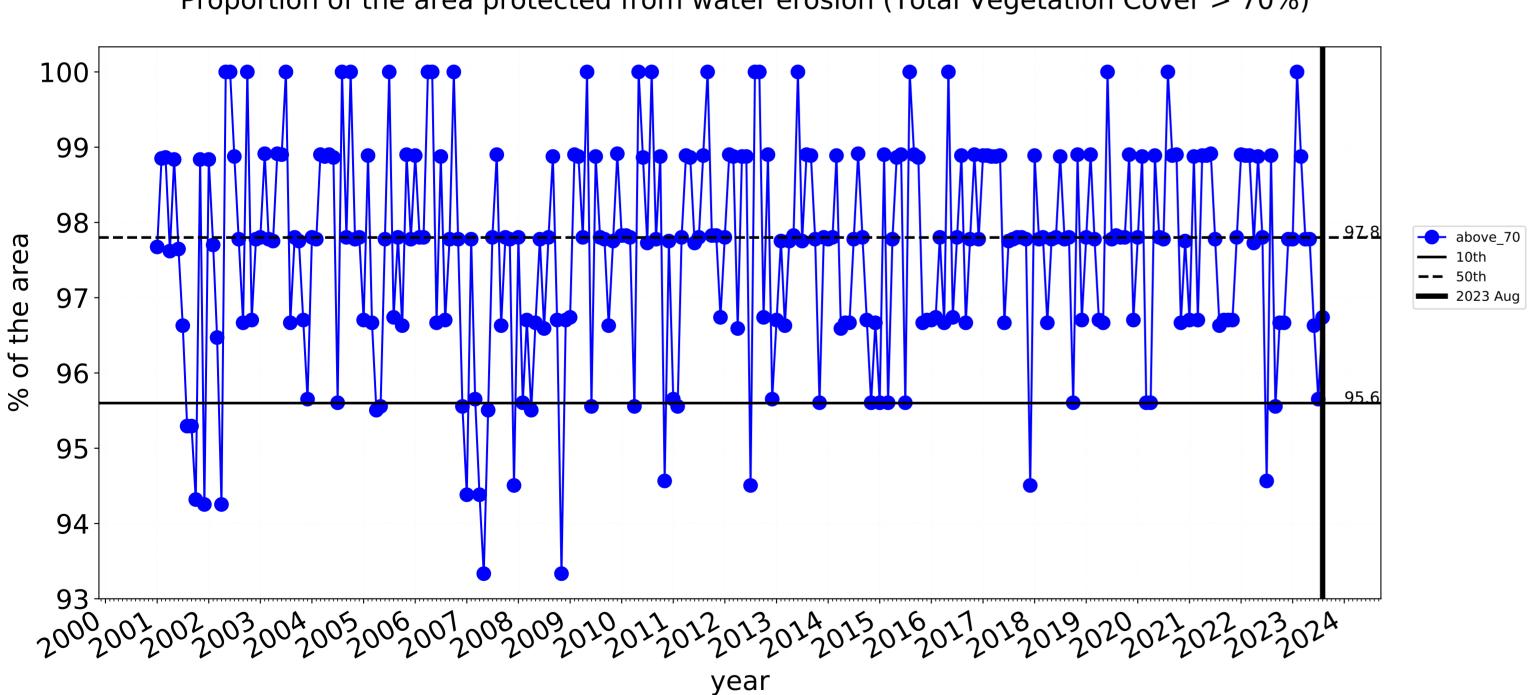




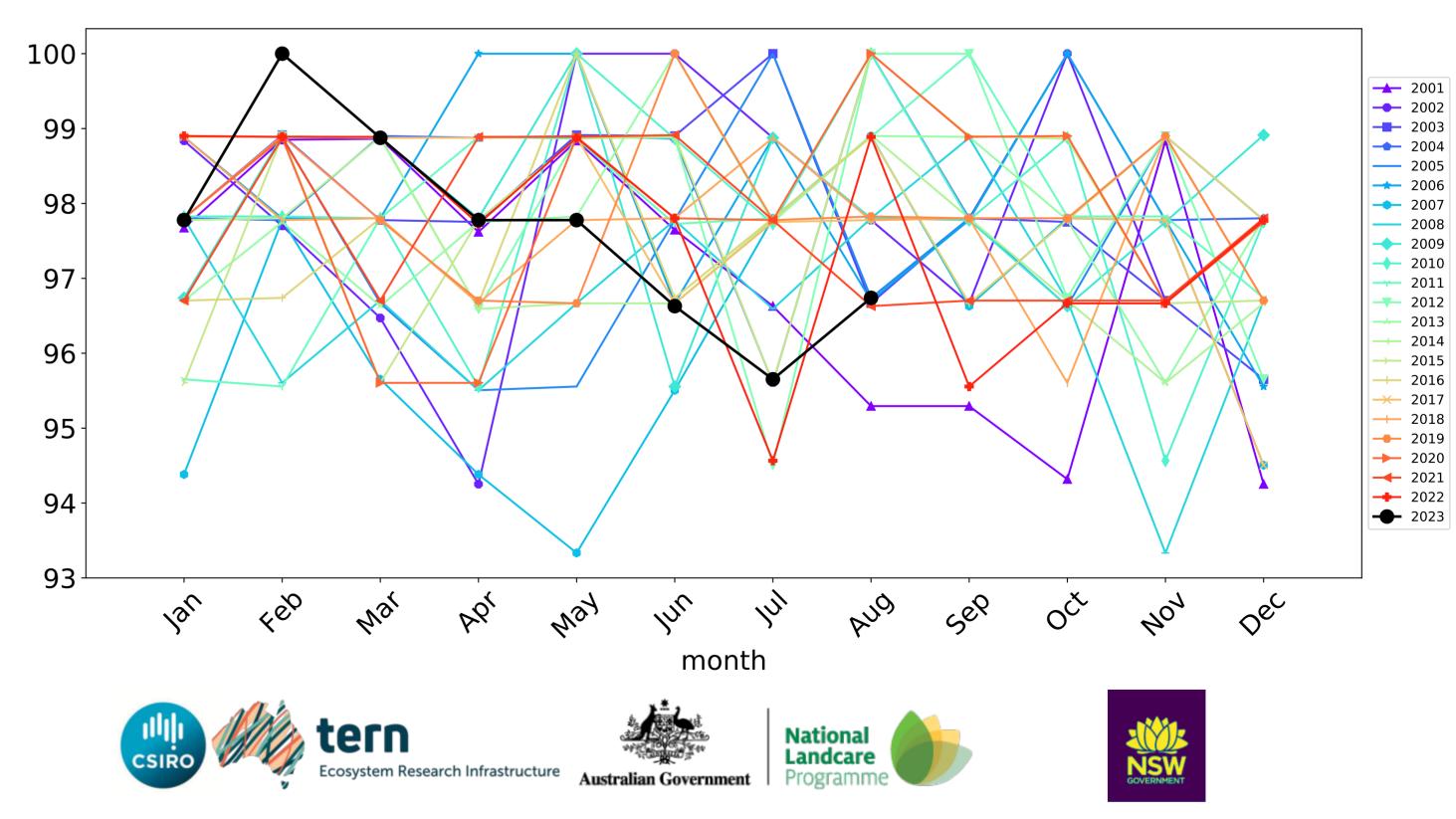


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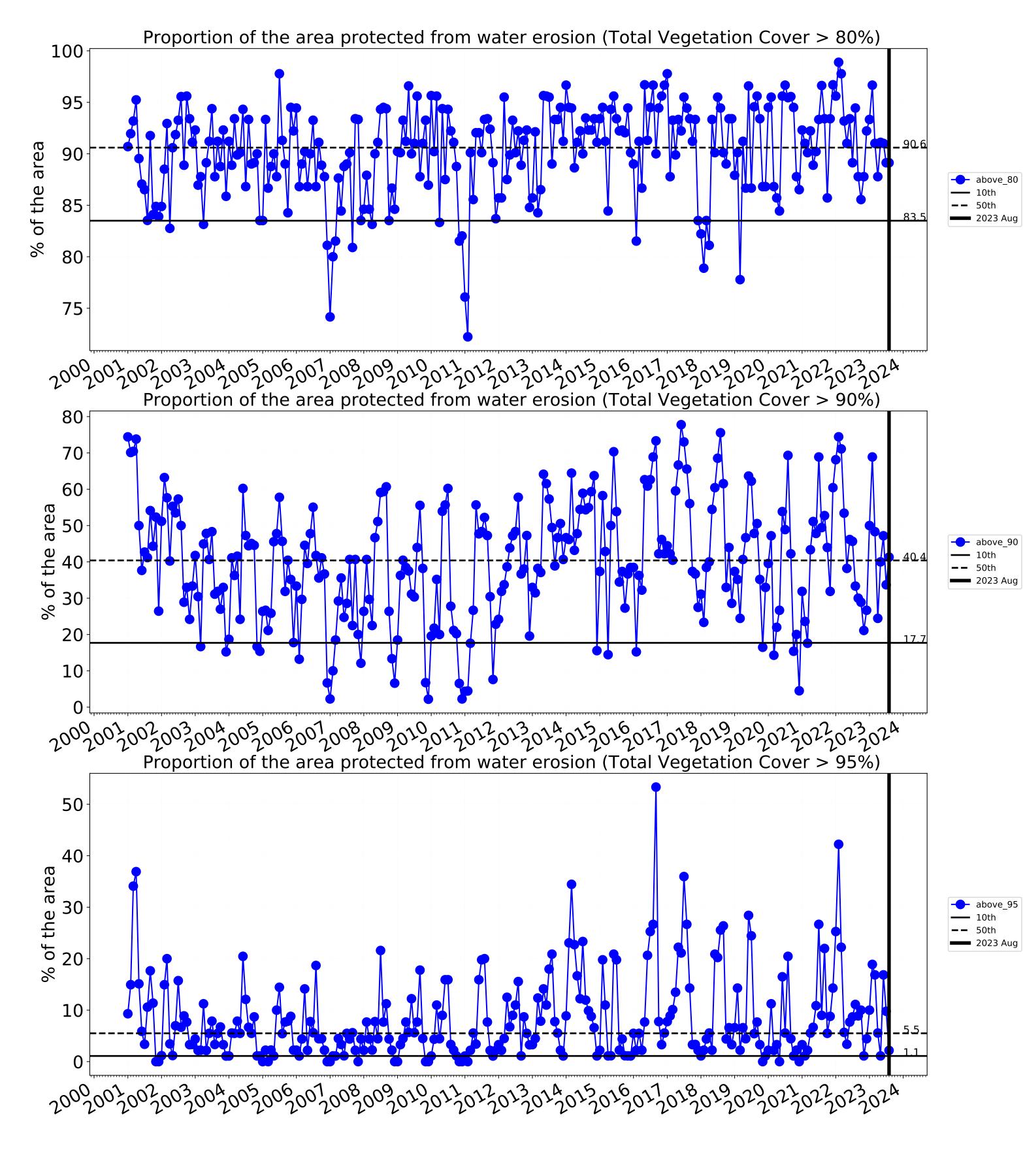
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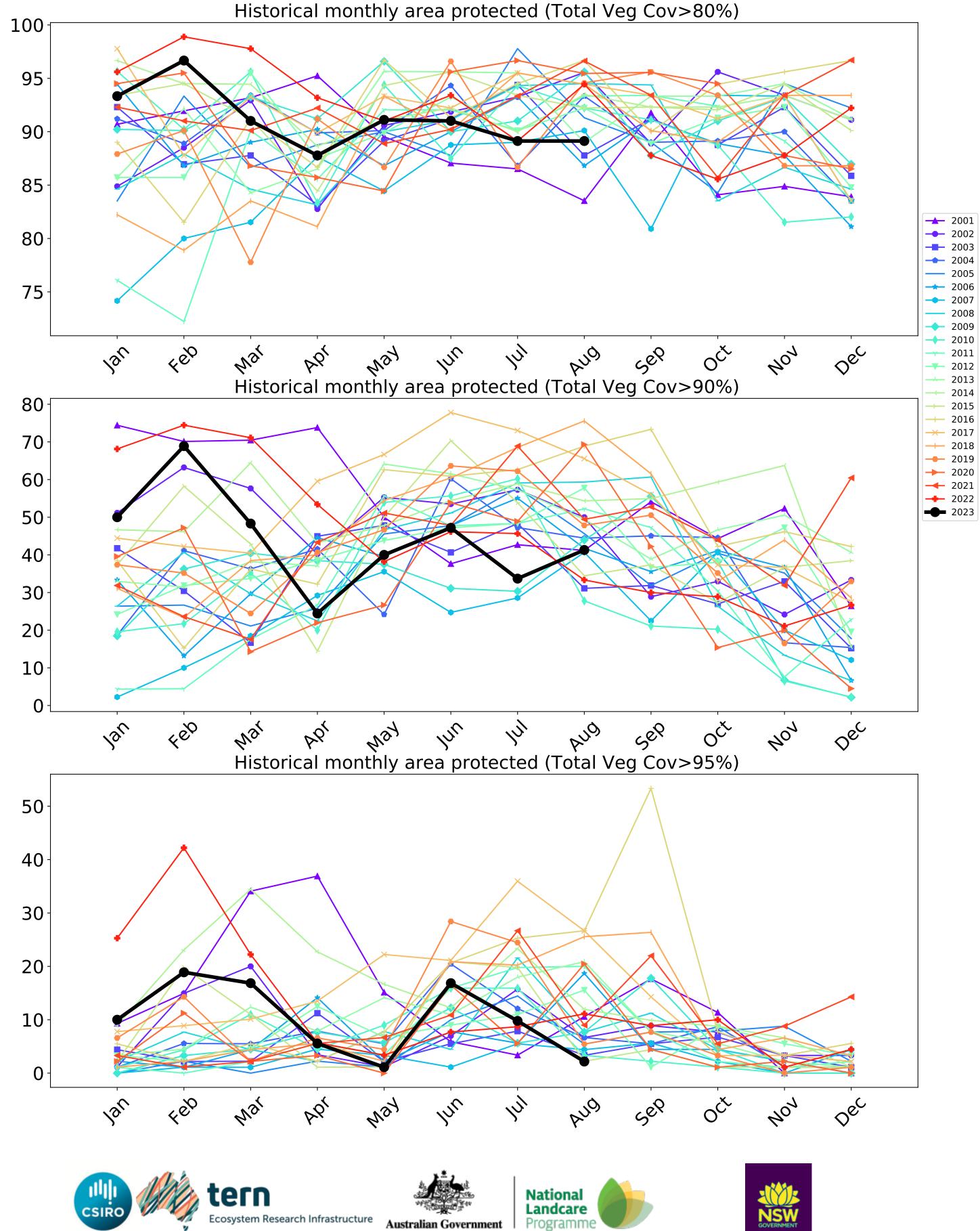


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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





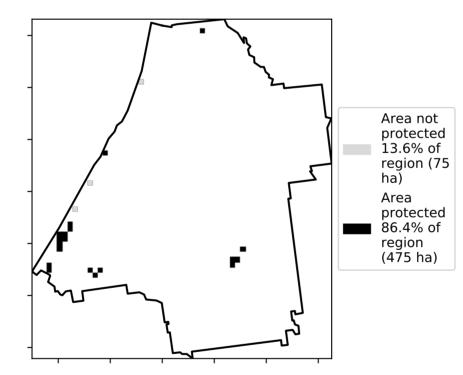


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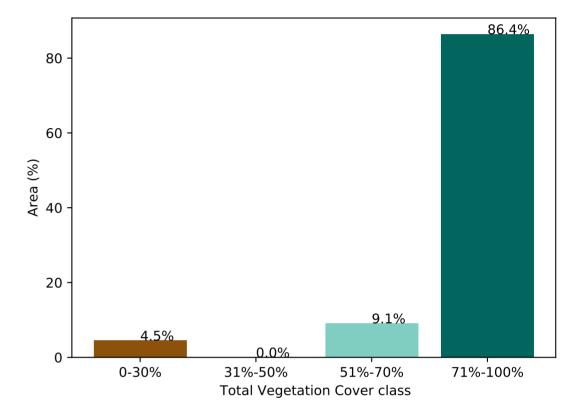
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**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

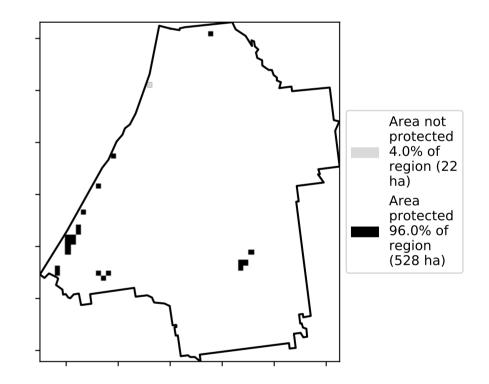


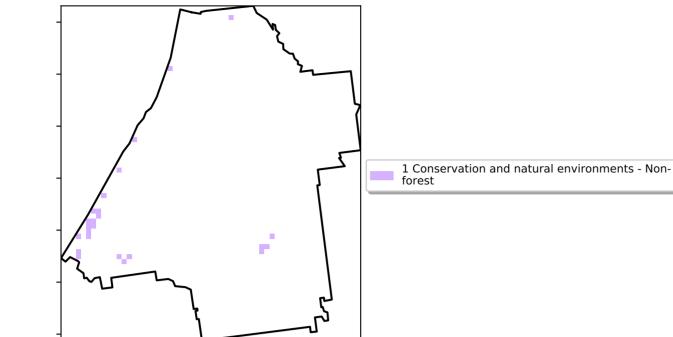


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





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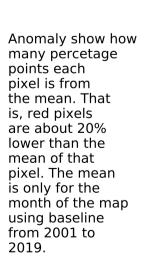
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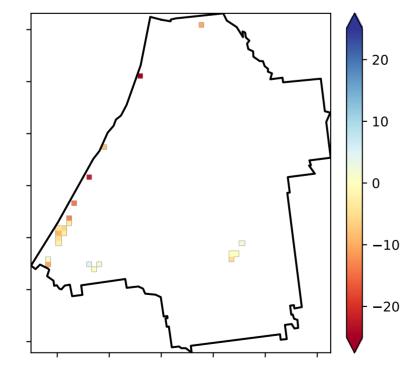
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Land use and forest cover

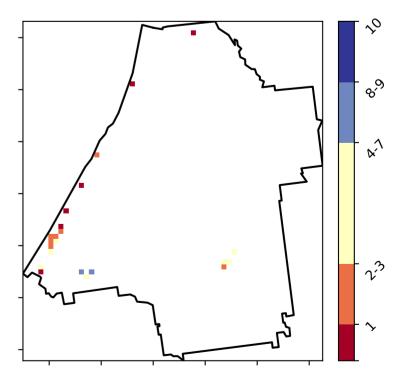
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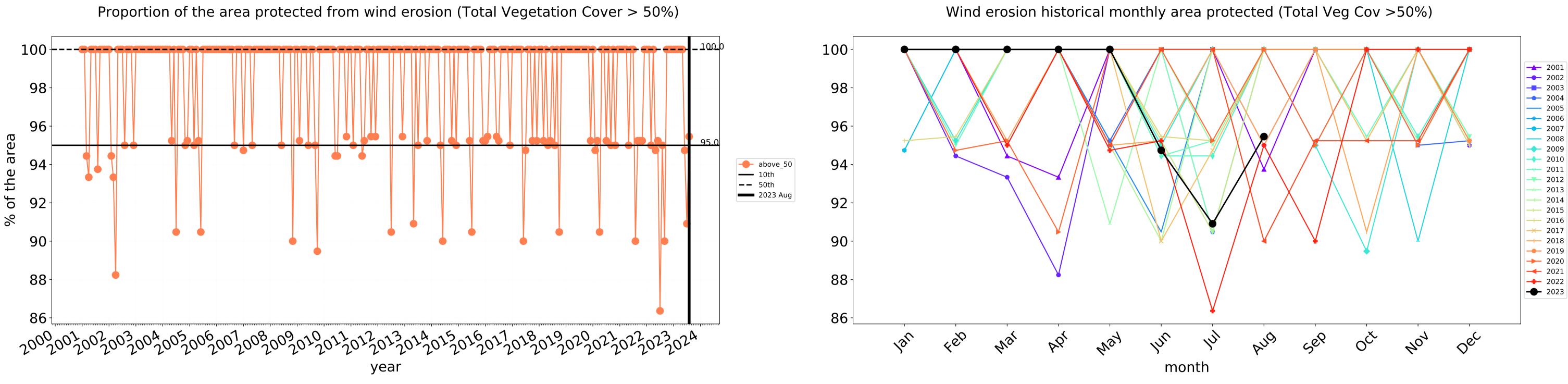
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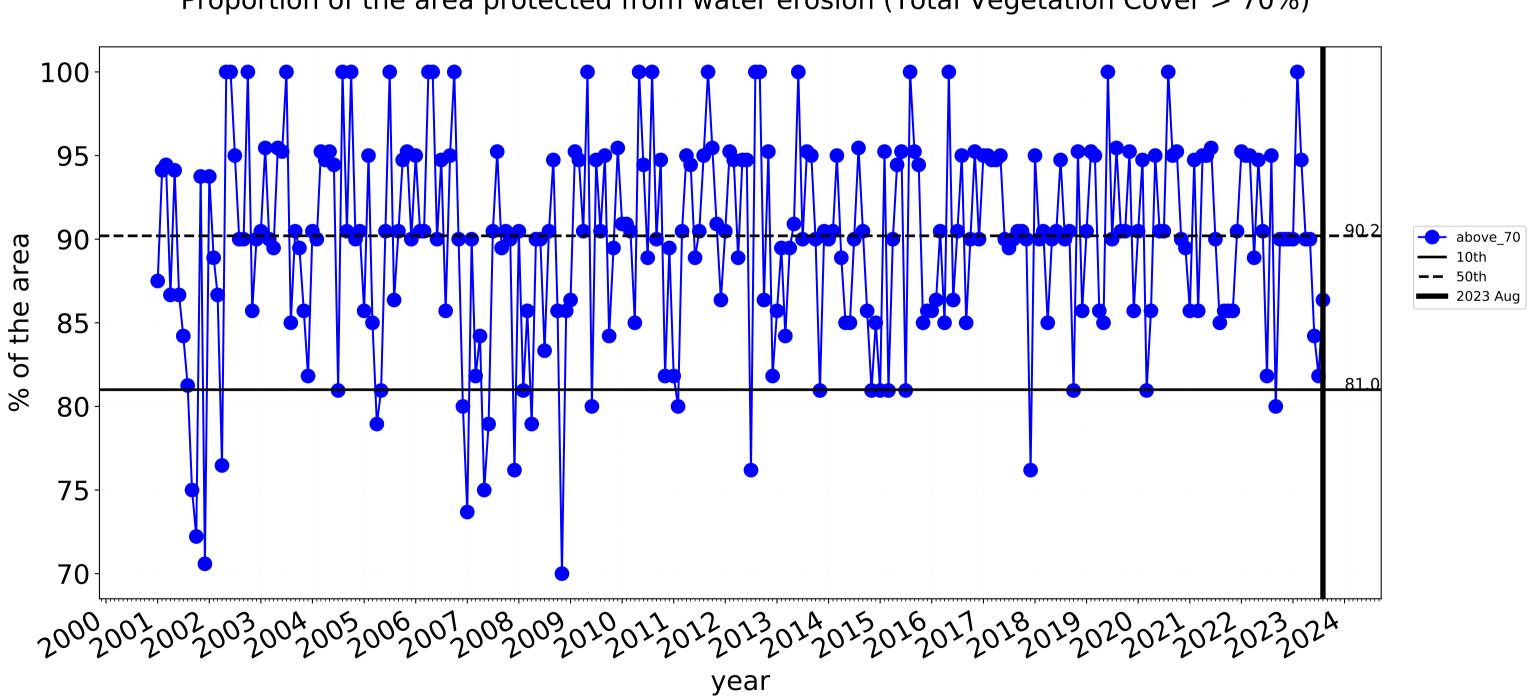


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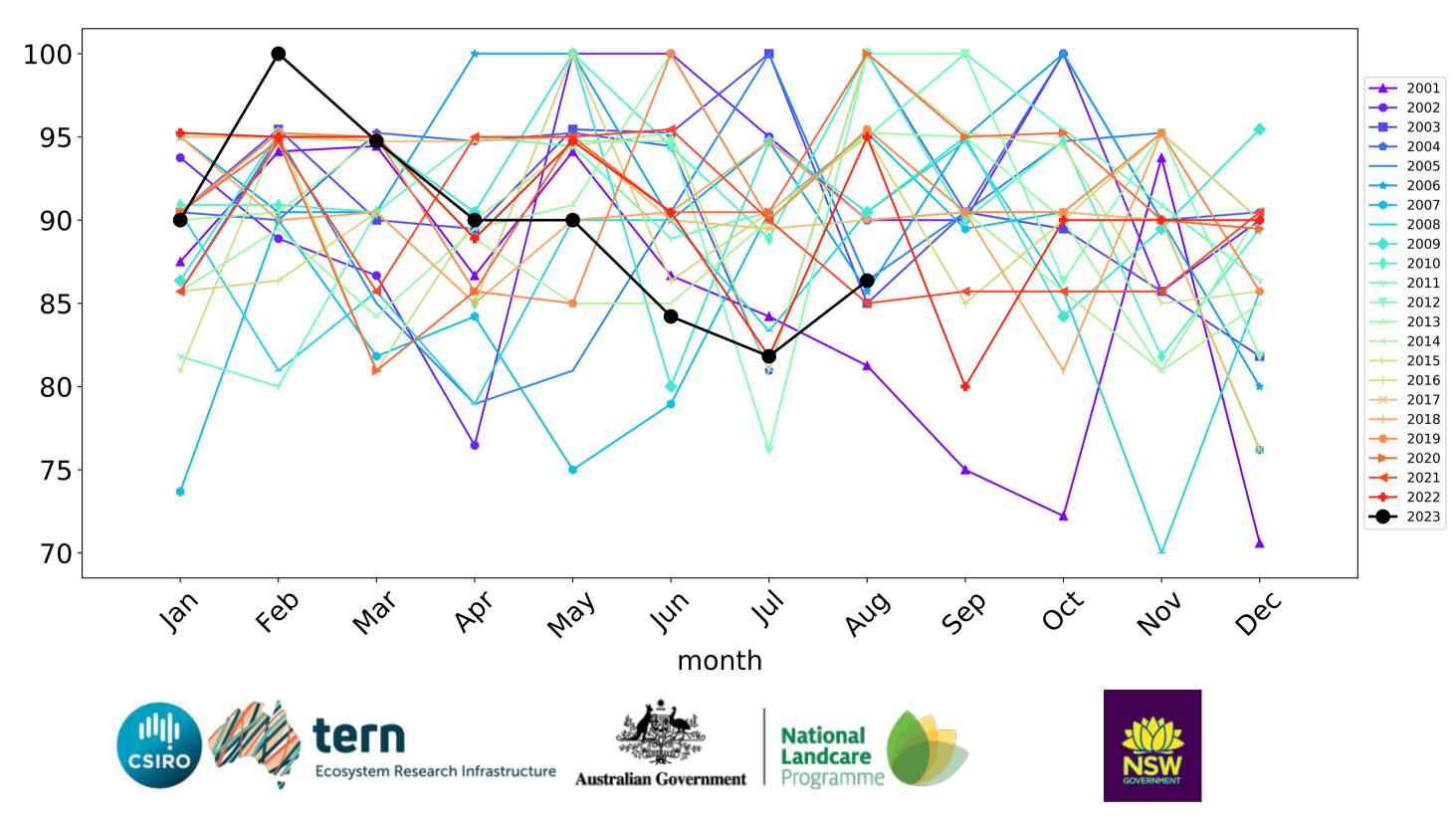




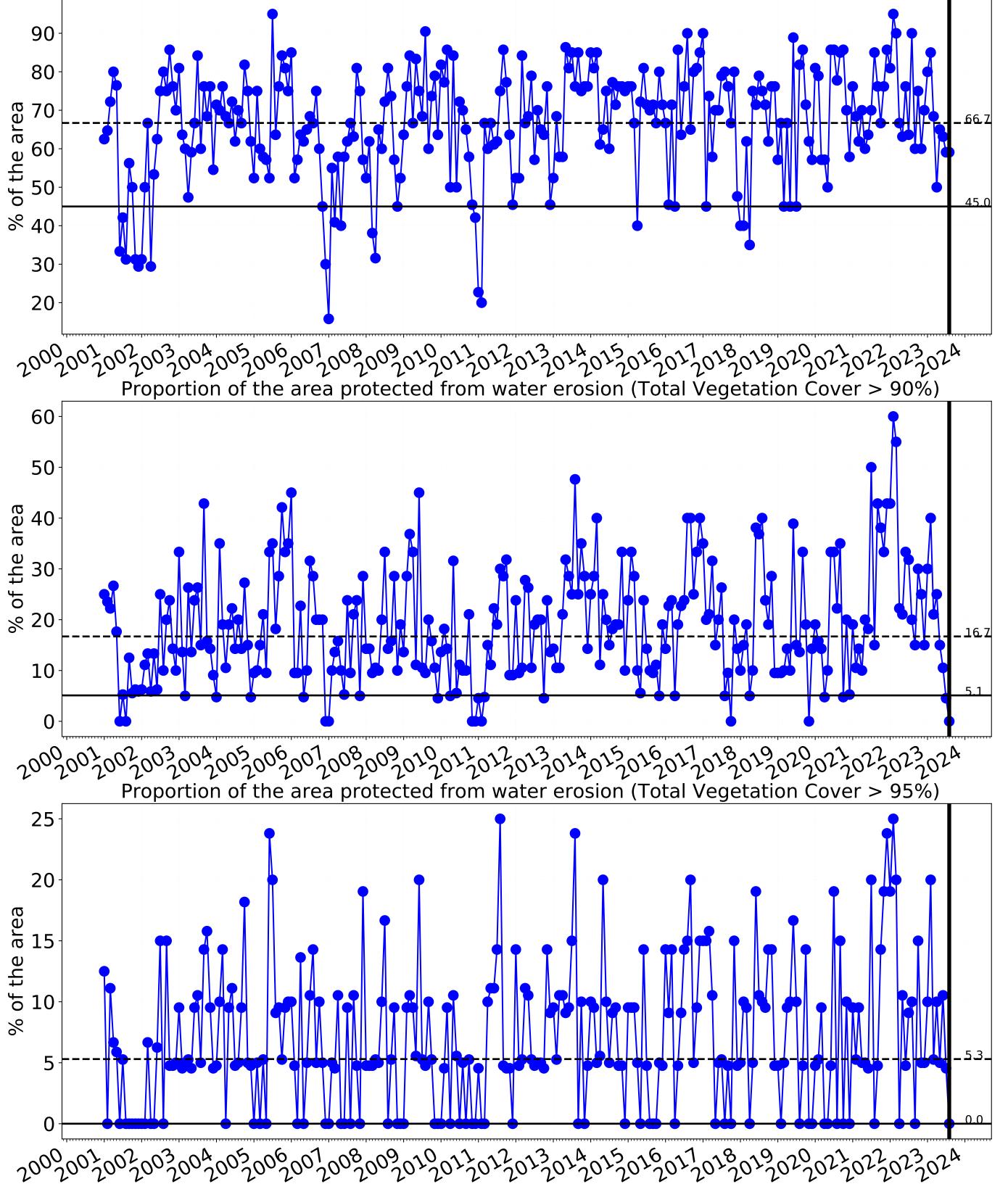


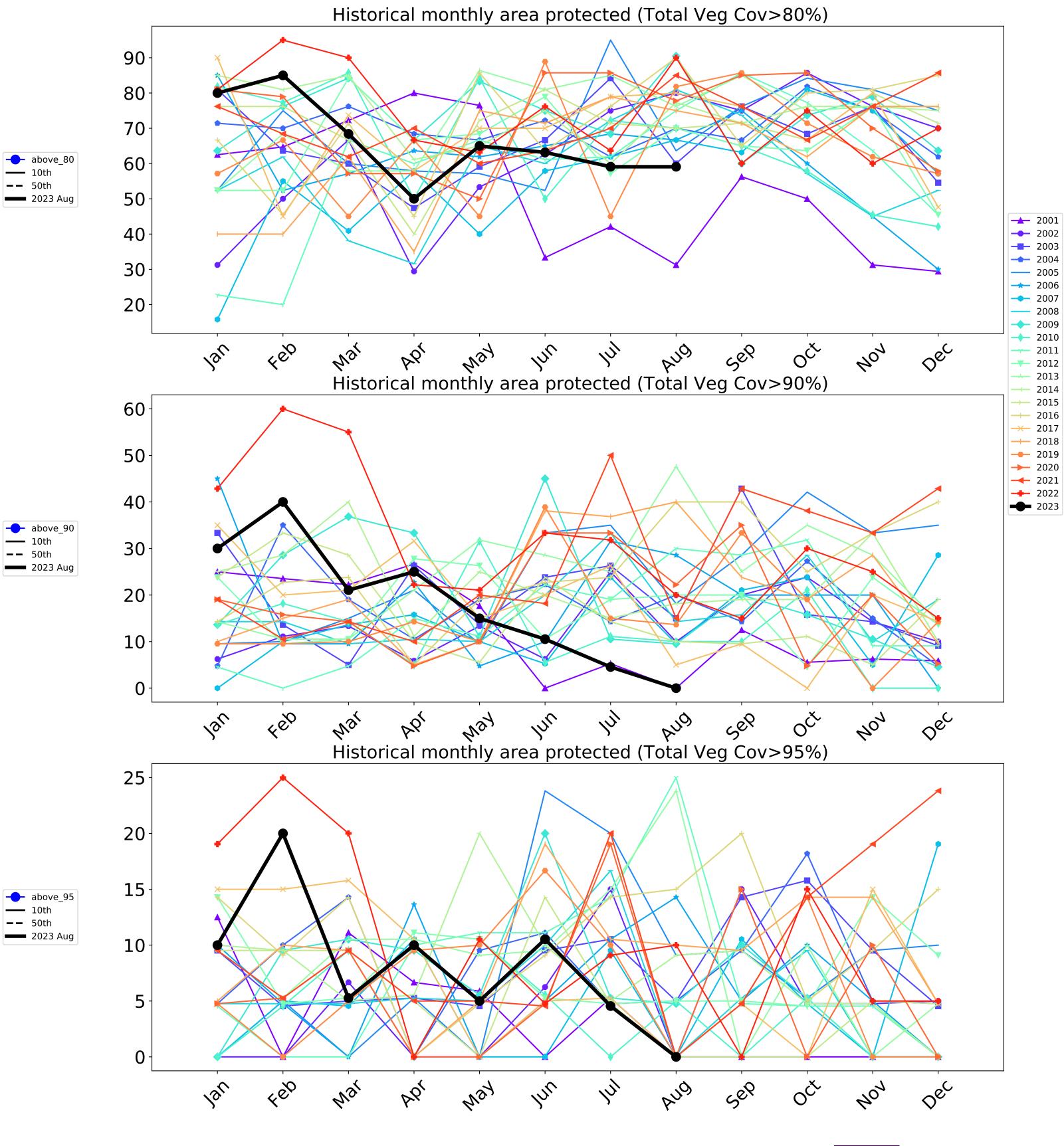


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

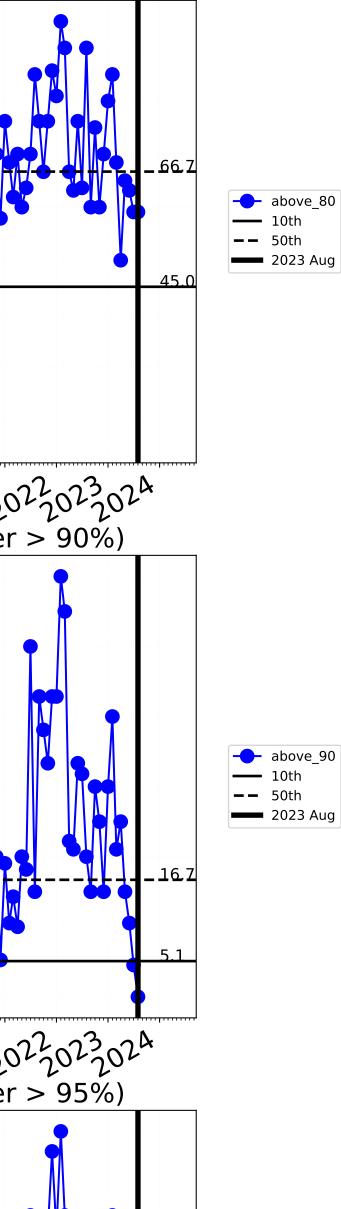


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 80%)









**—** 10th **--** 50th **——** 2023 Aug





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

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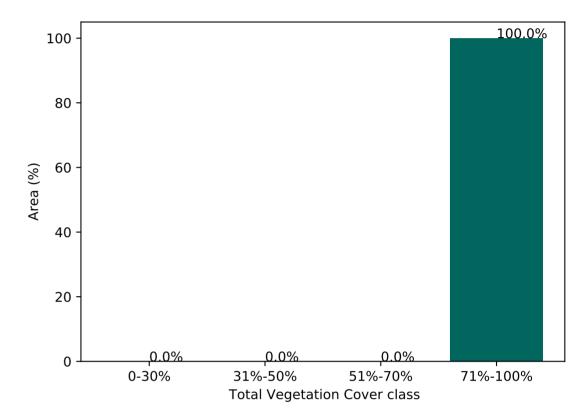
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**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

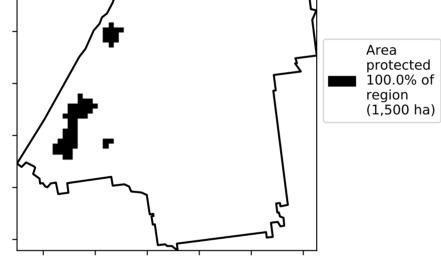






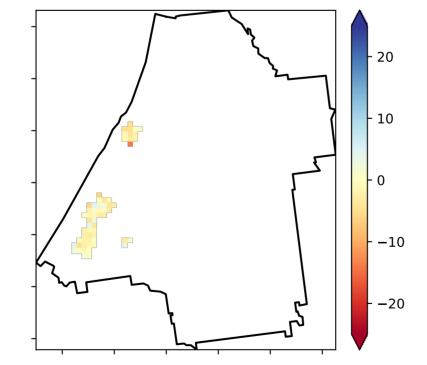
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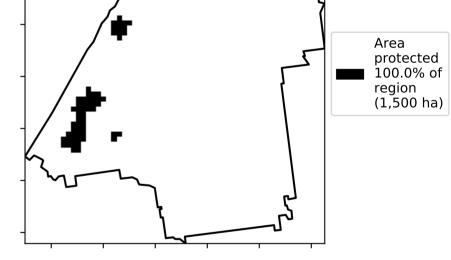


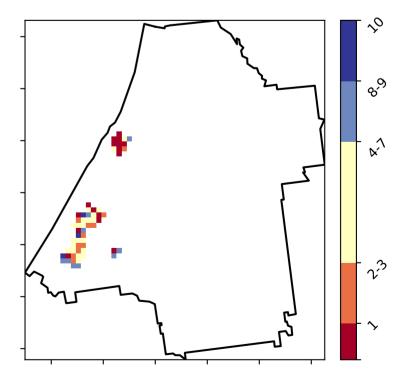
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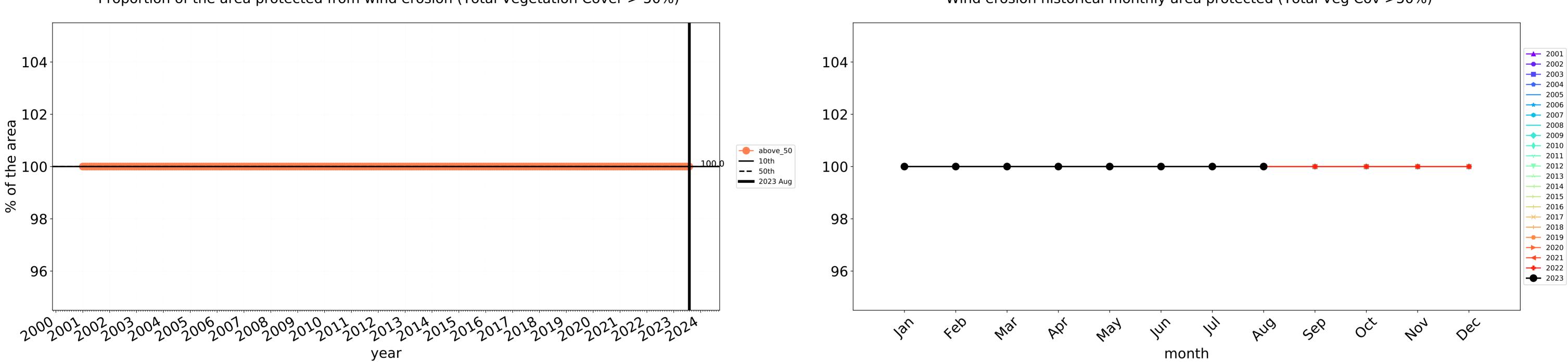
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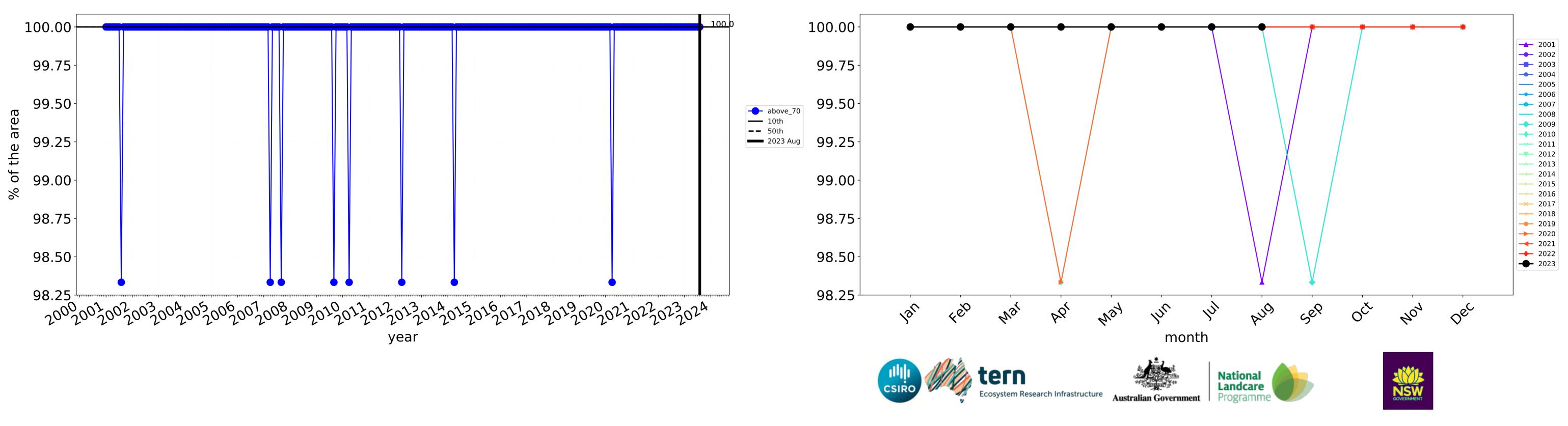


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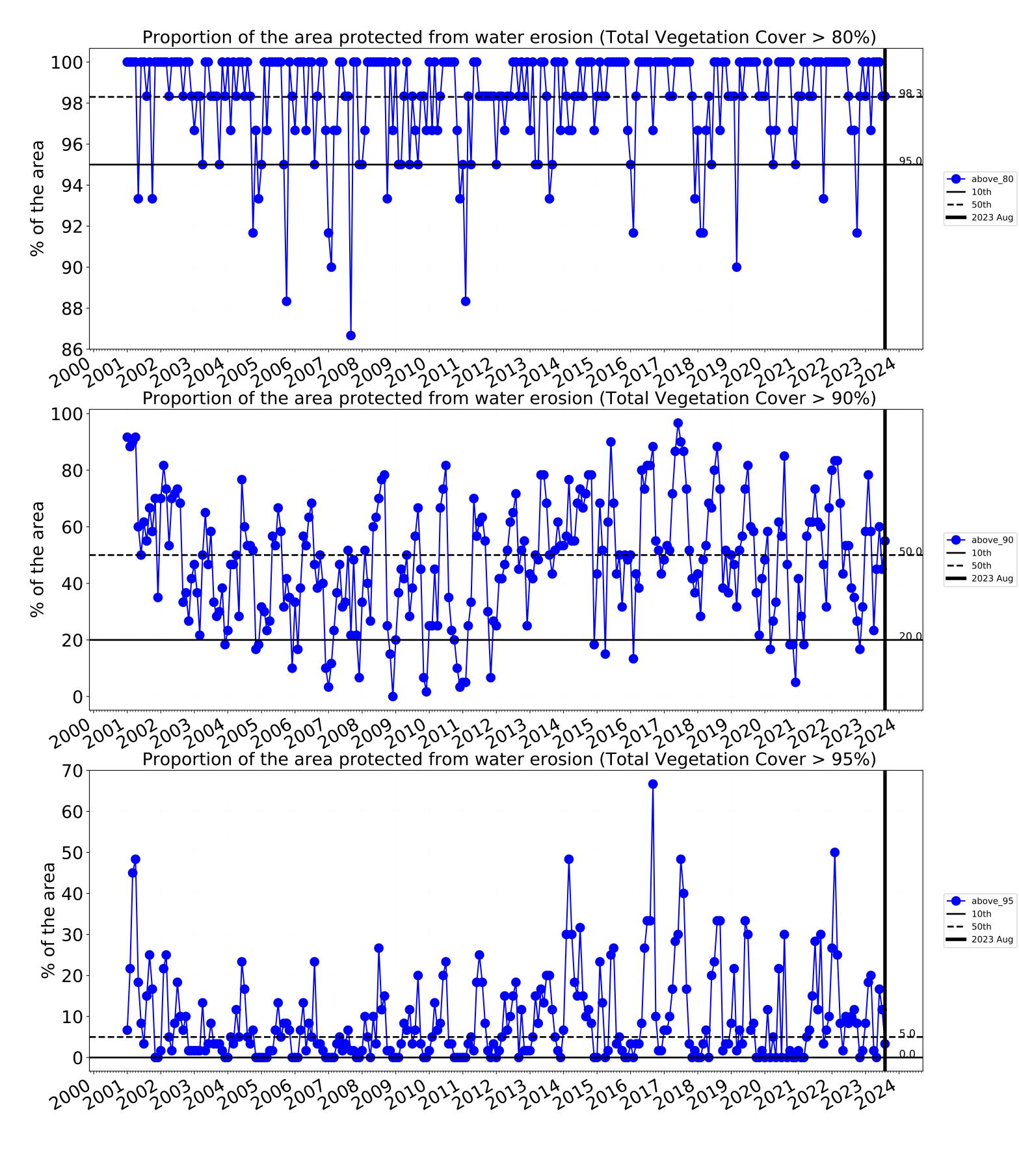


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

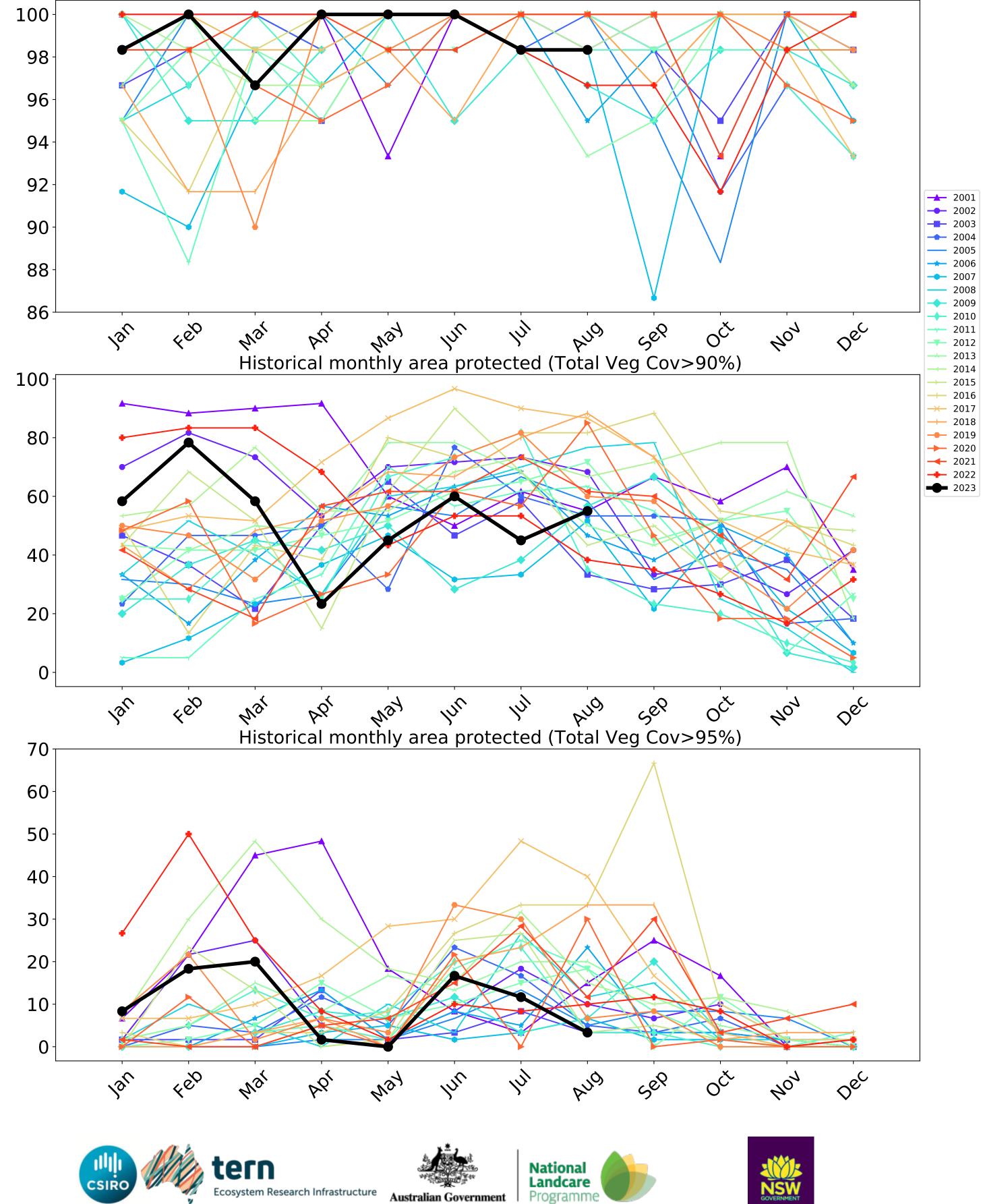
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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



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





## Agriculture

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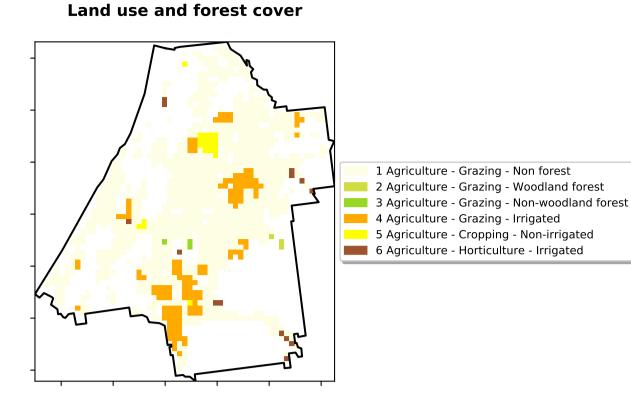
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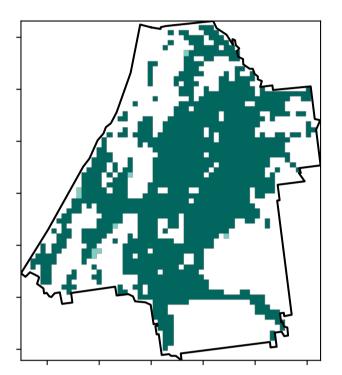
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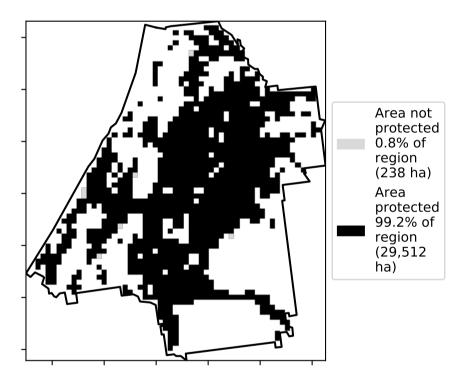
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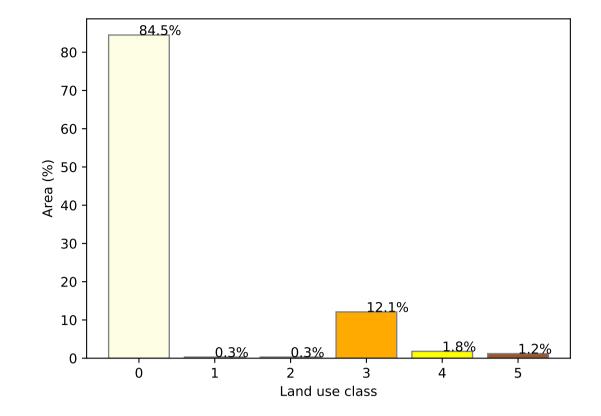


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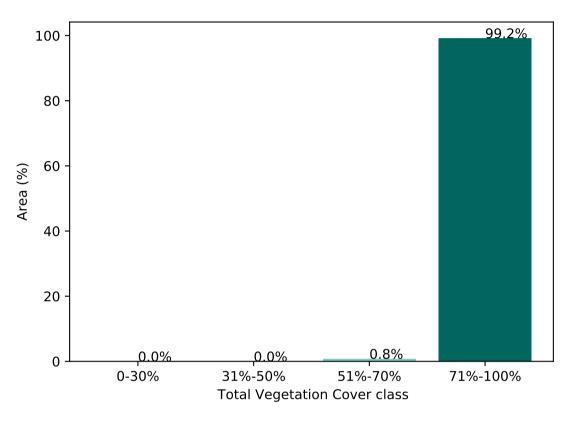






#### Proportion of each land class in area

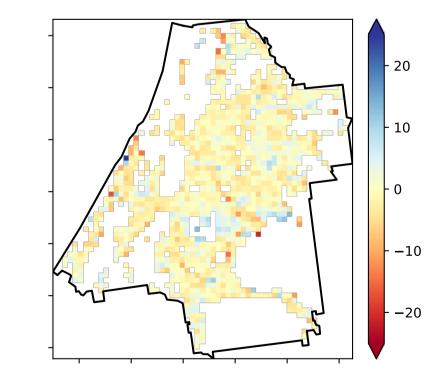
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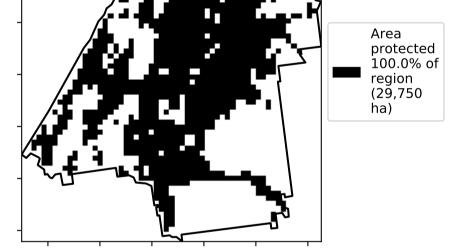
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

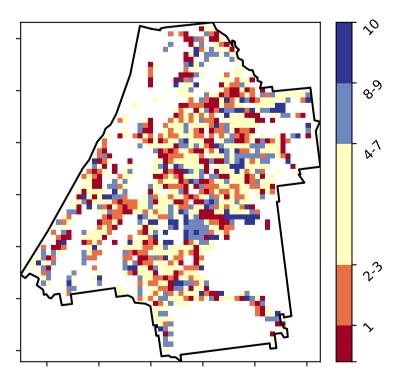


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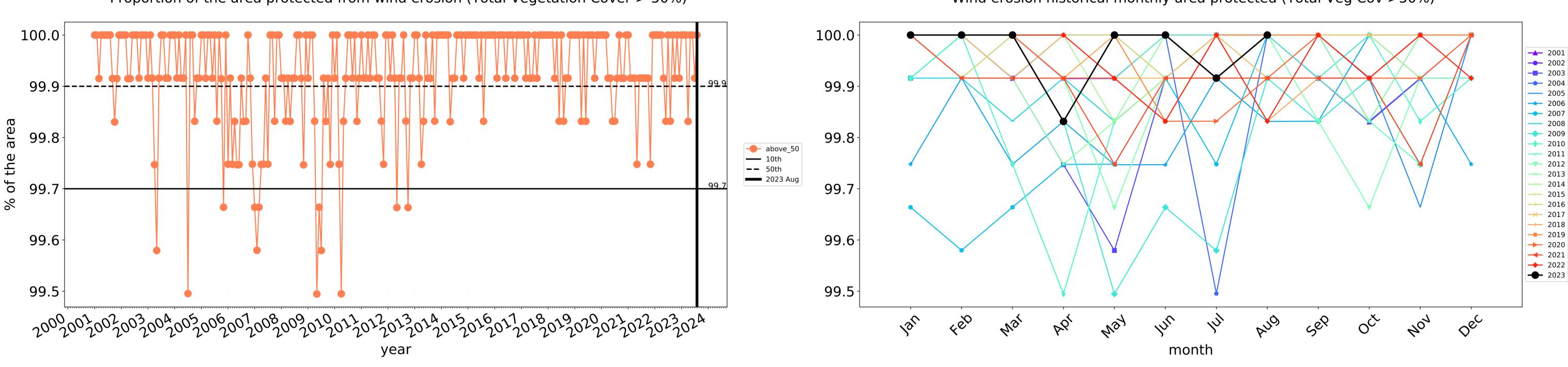


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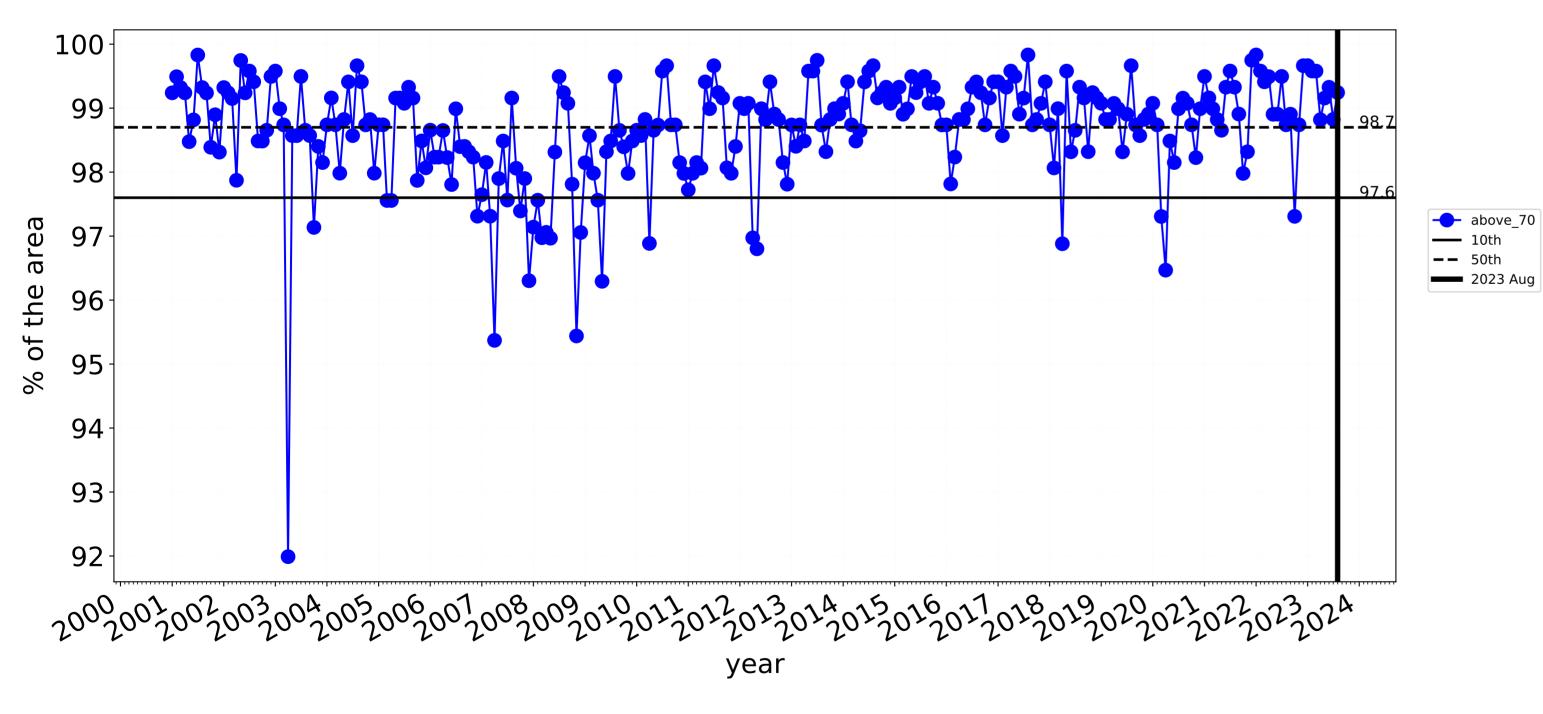






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

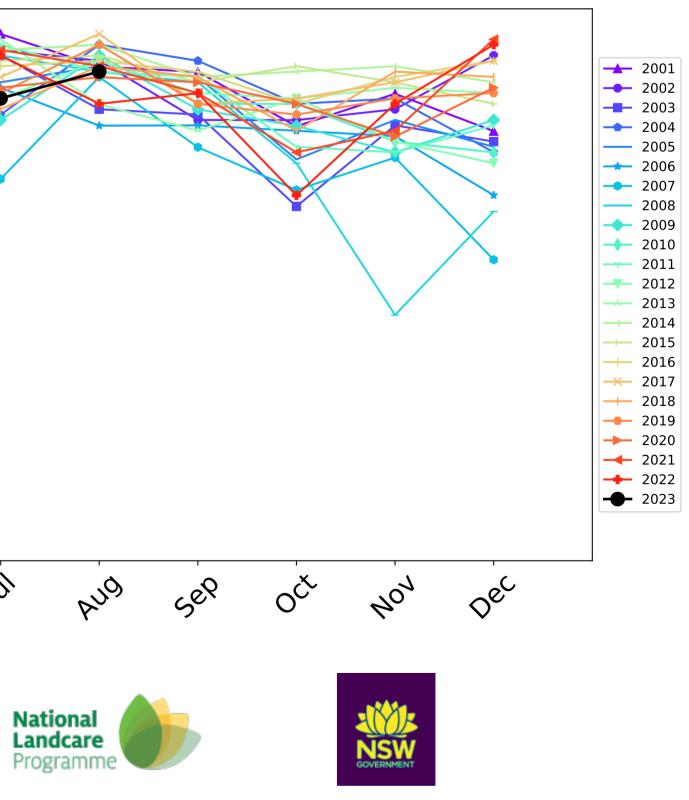
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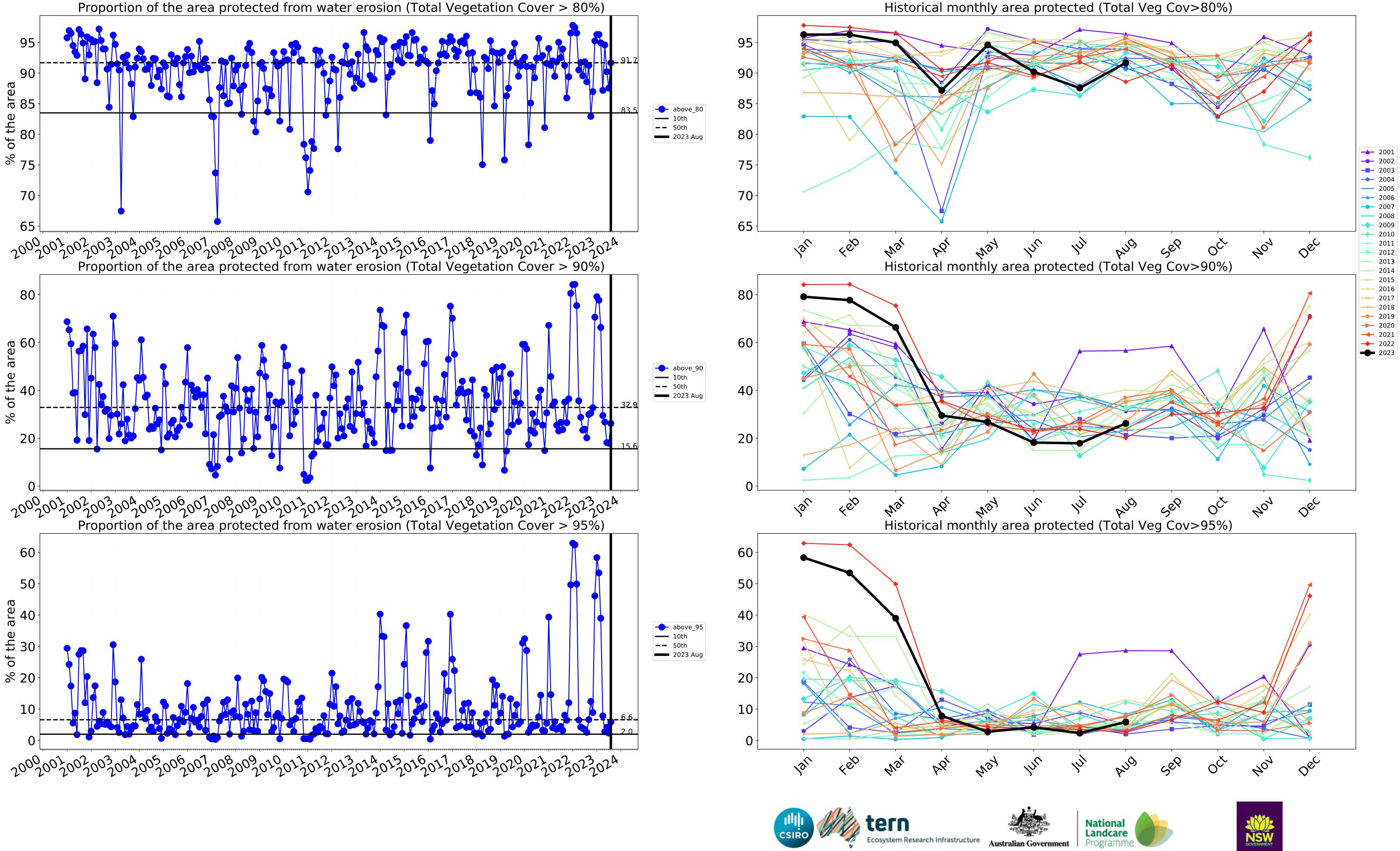
# **Agriculture timeseries**

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



## Grazing

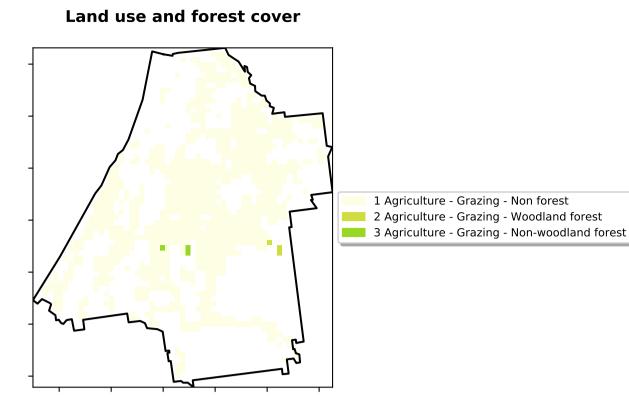
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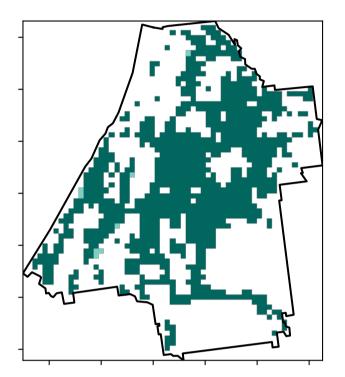
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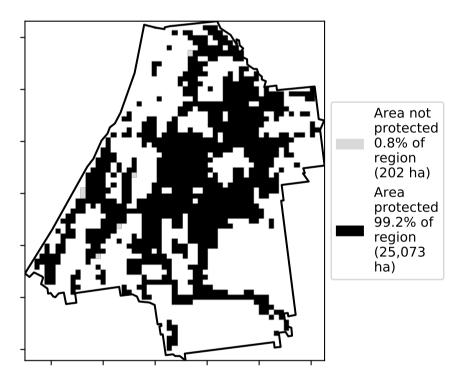
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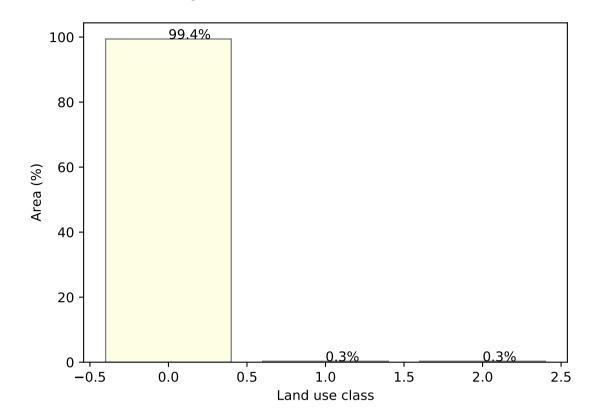


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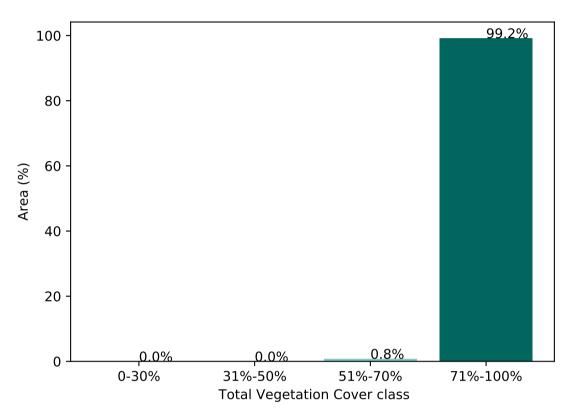


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

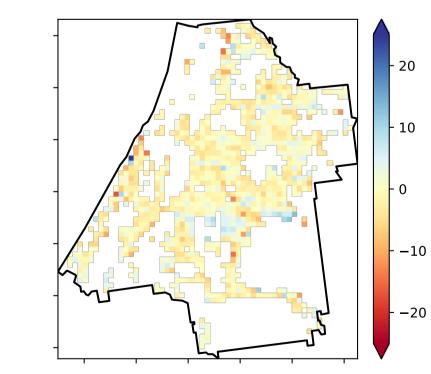


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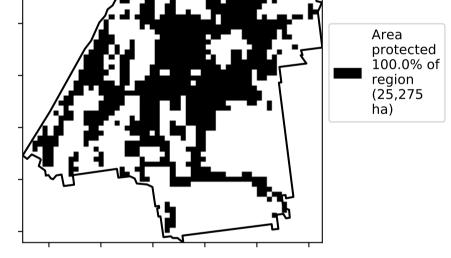


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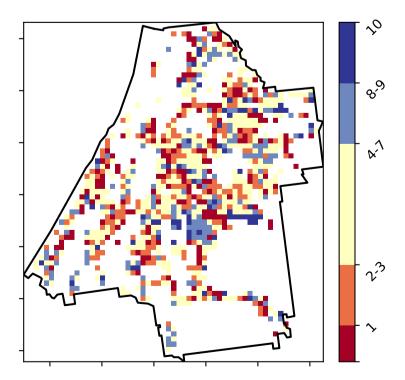
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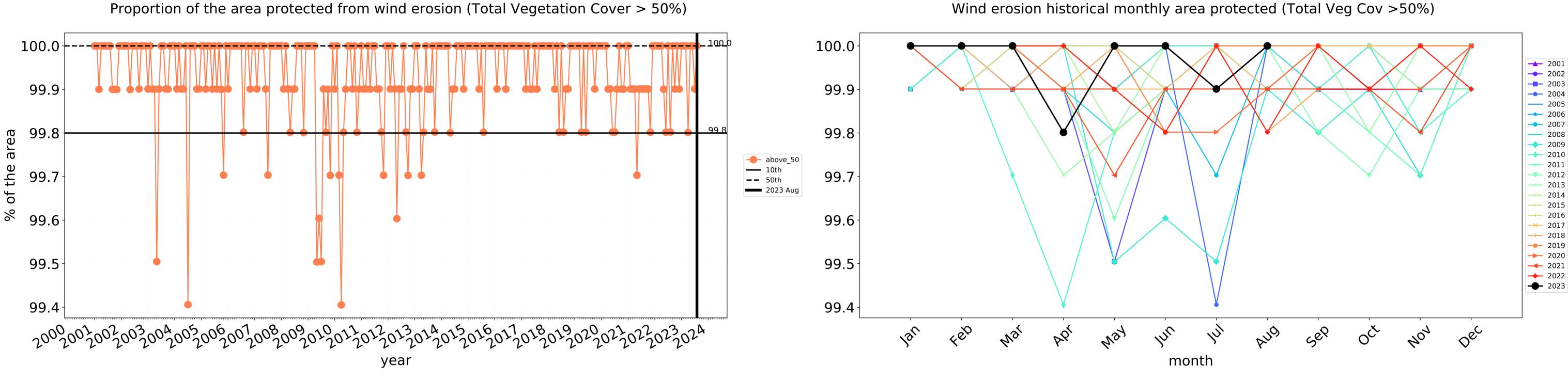


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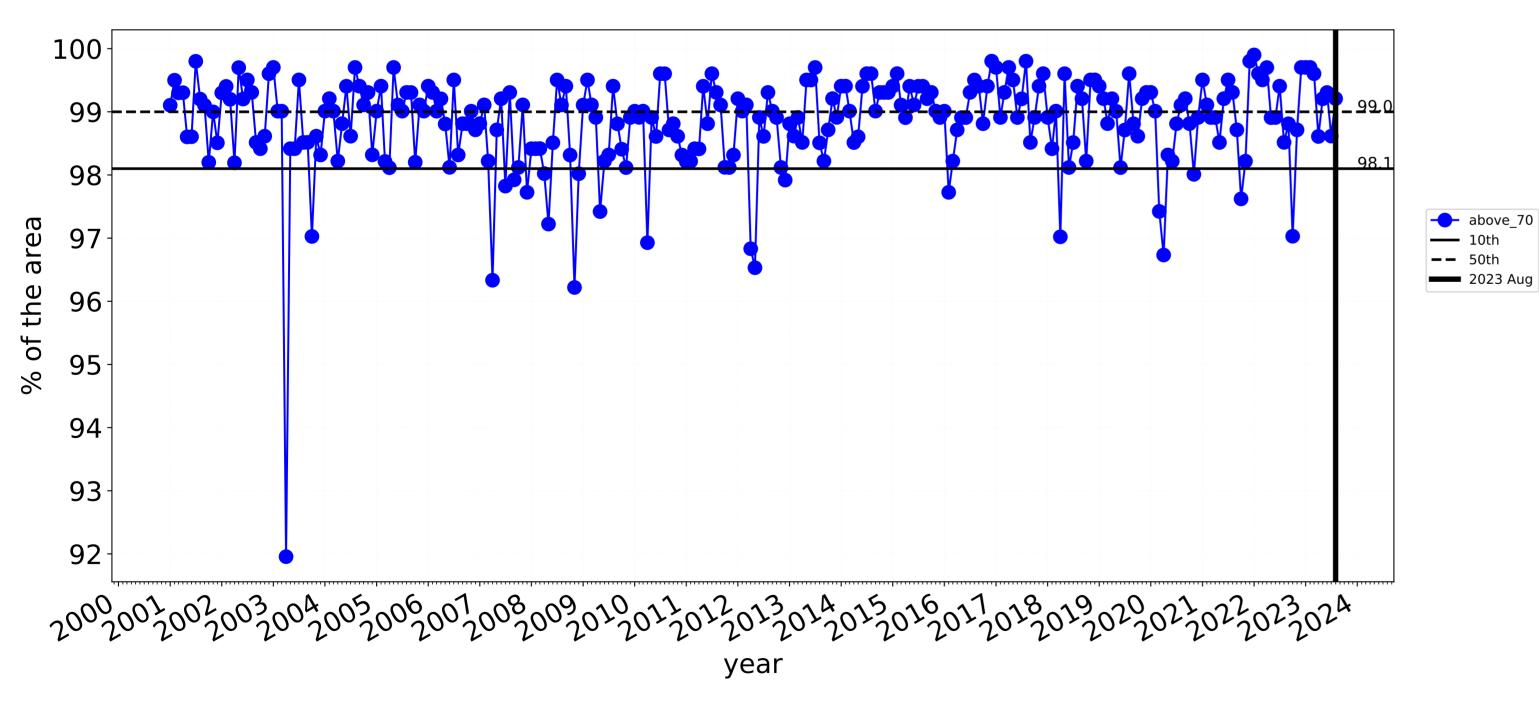


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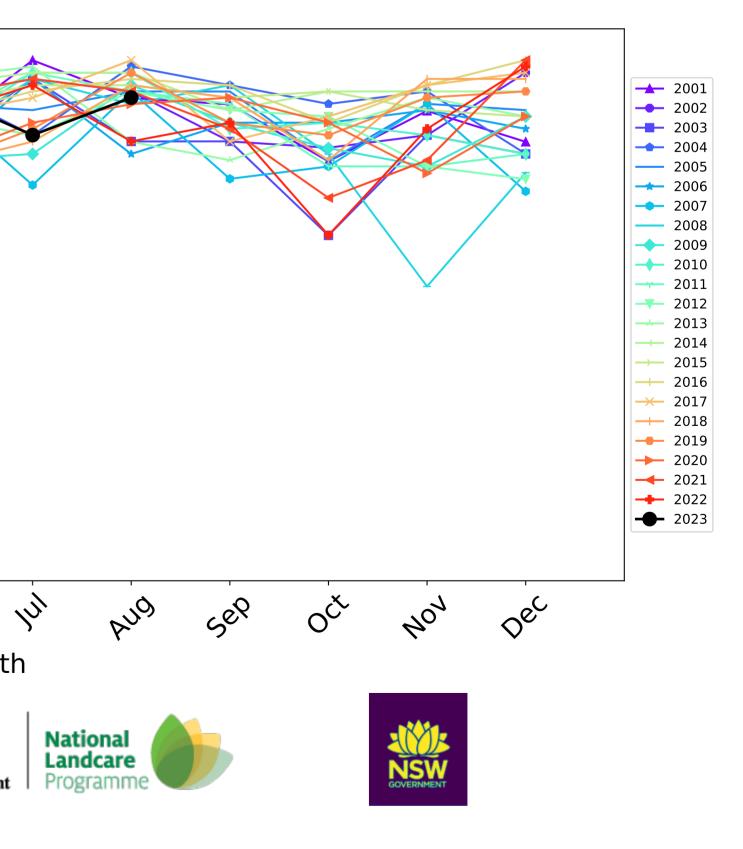


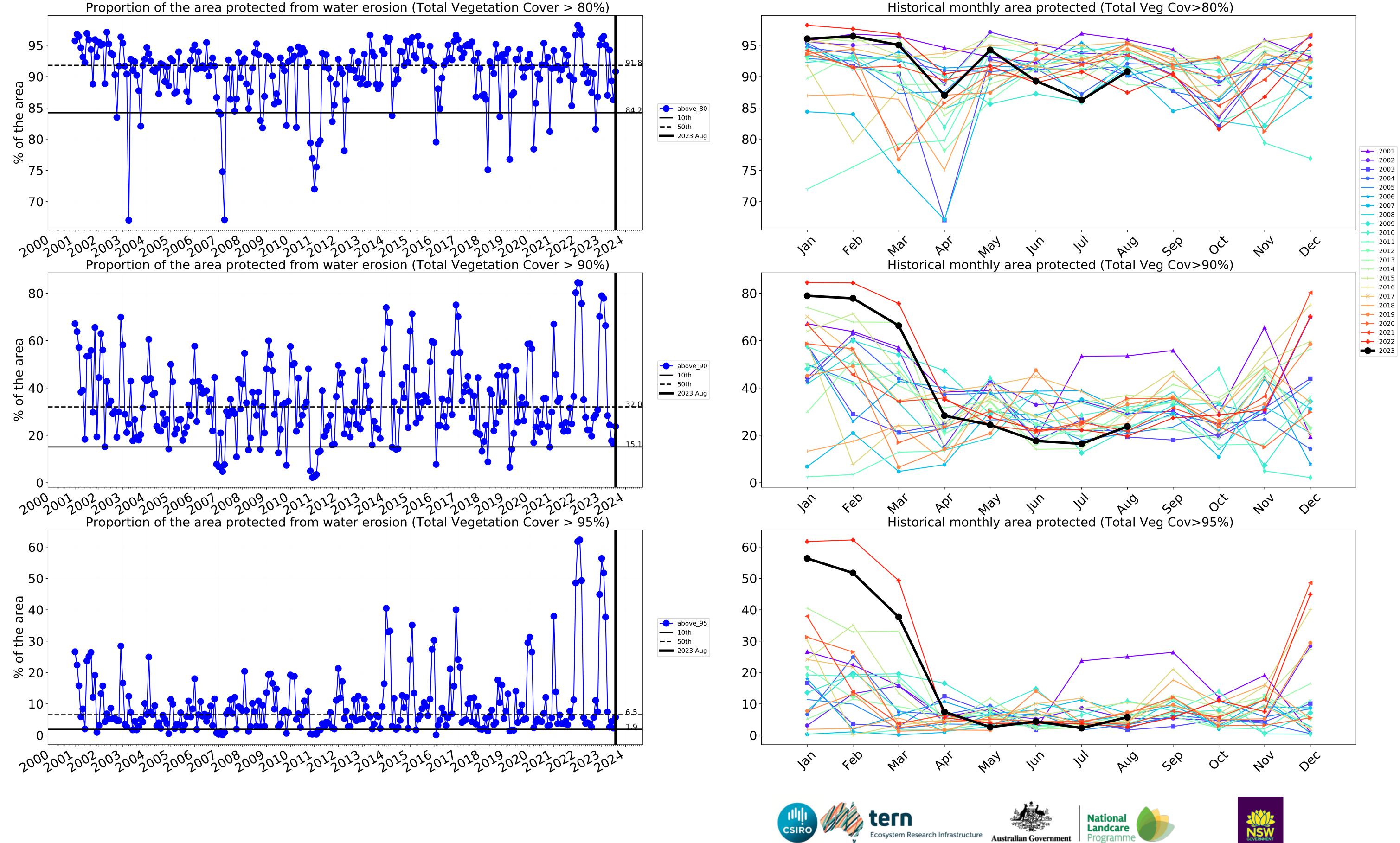
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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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## **Grazing non forest**

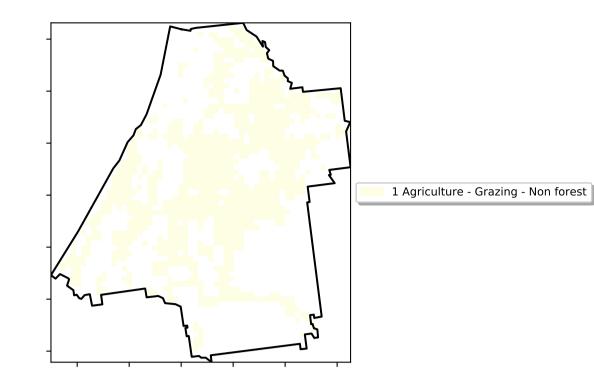
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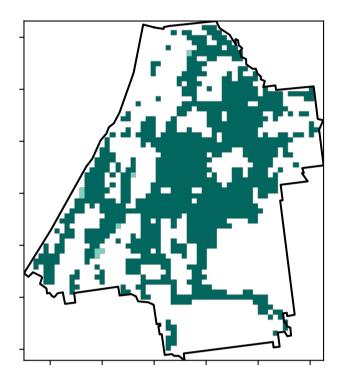
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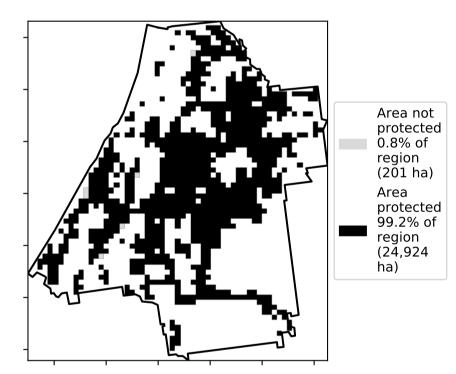
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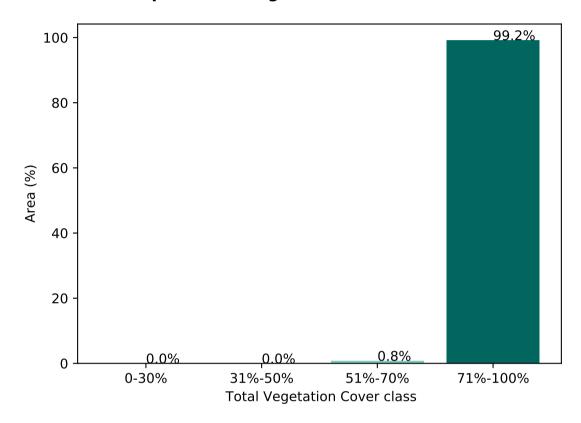
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 







Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

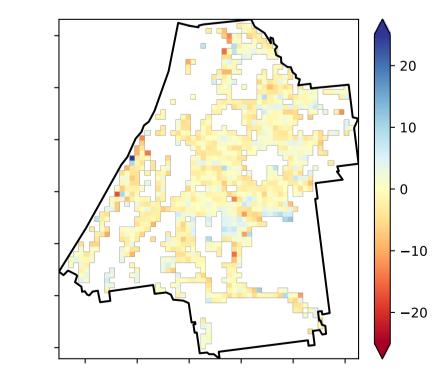


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

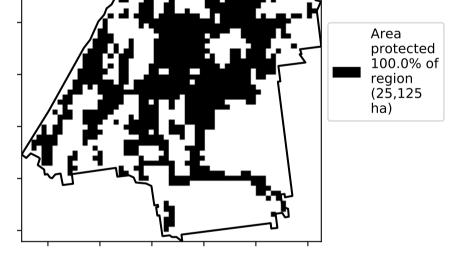




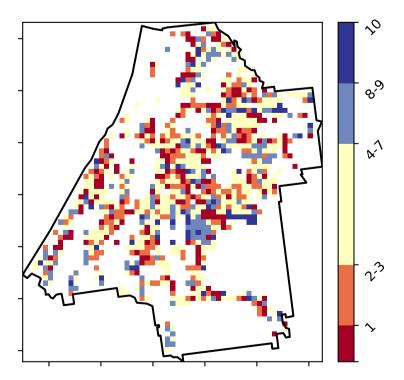
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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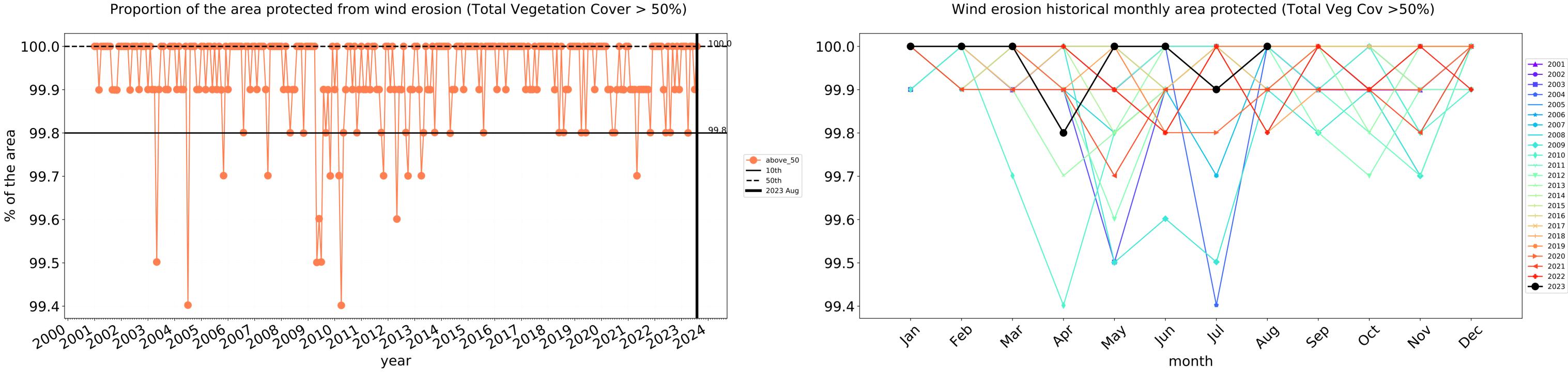


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

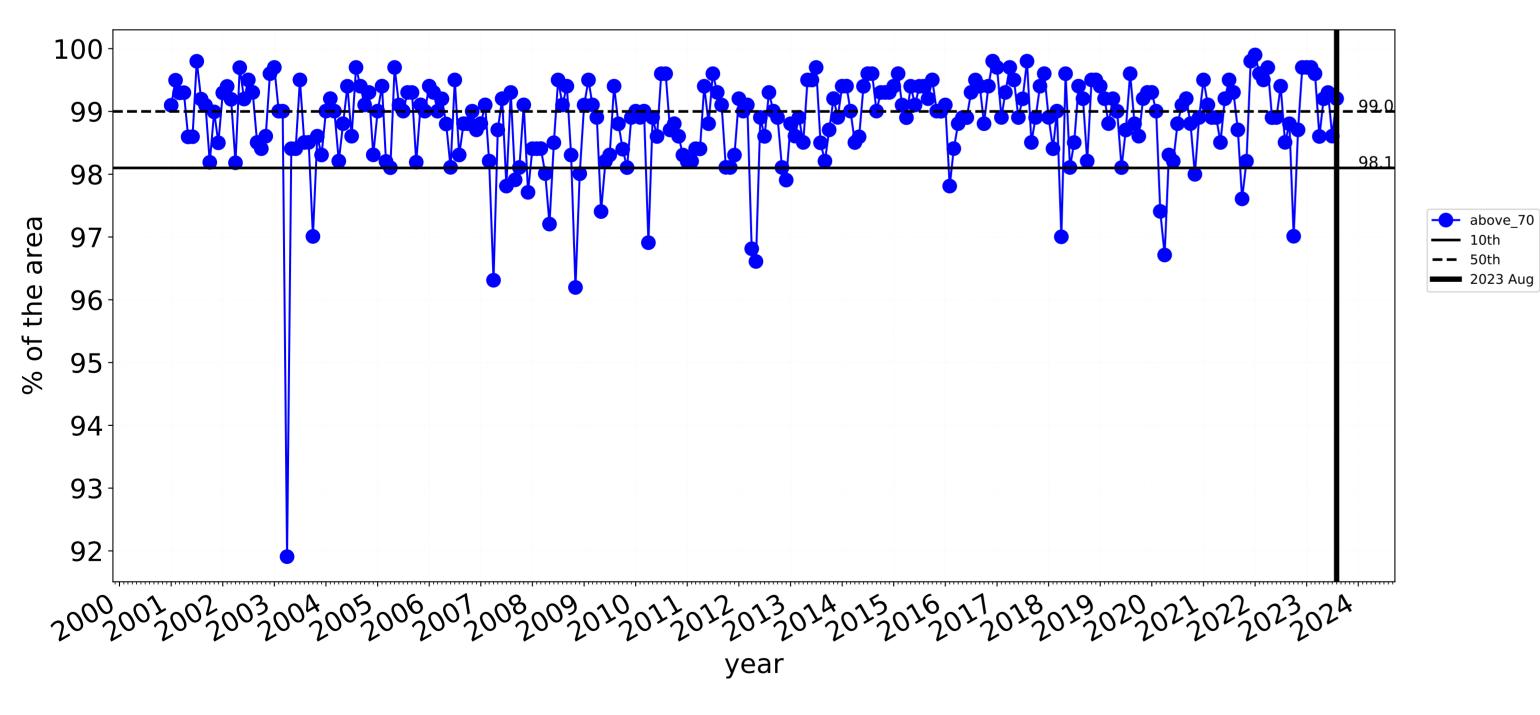




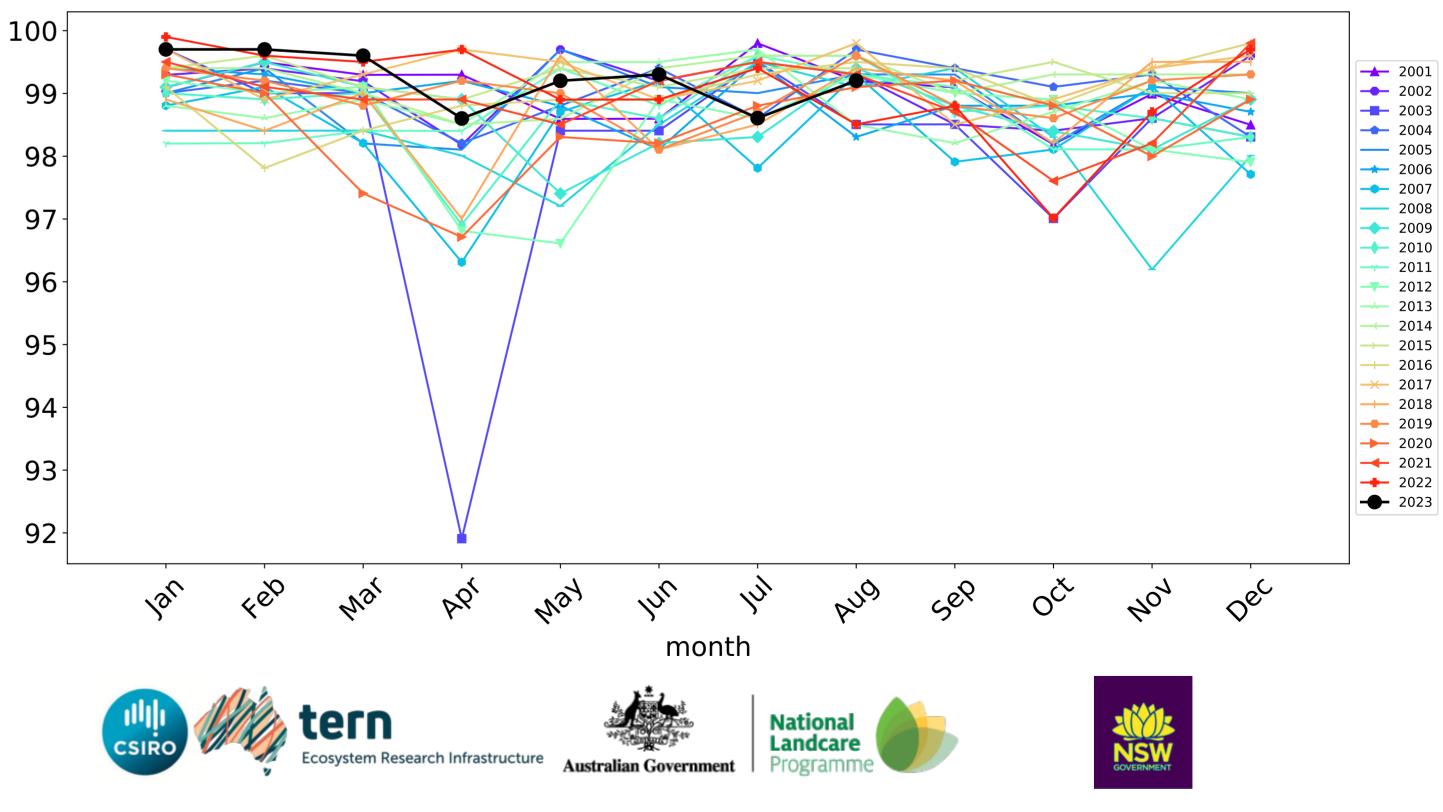
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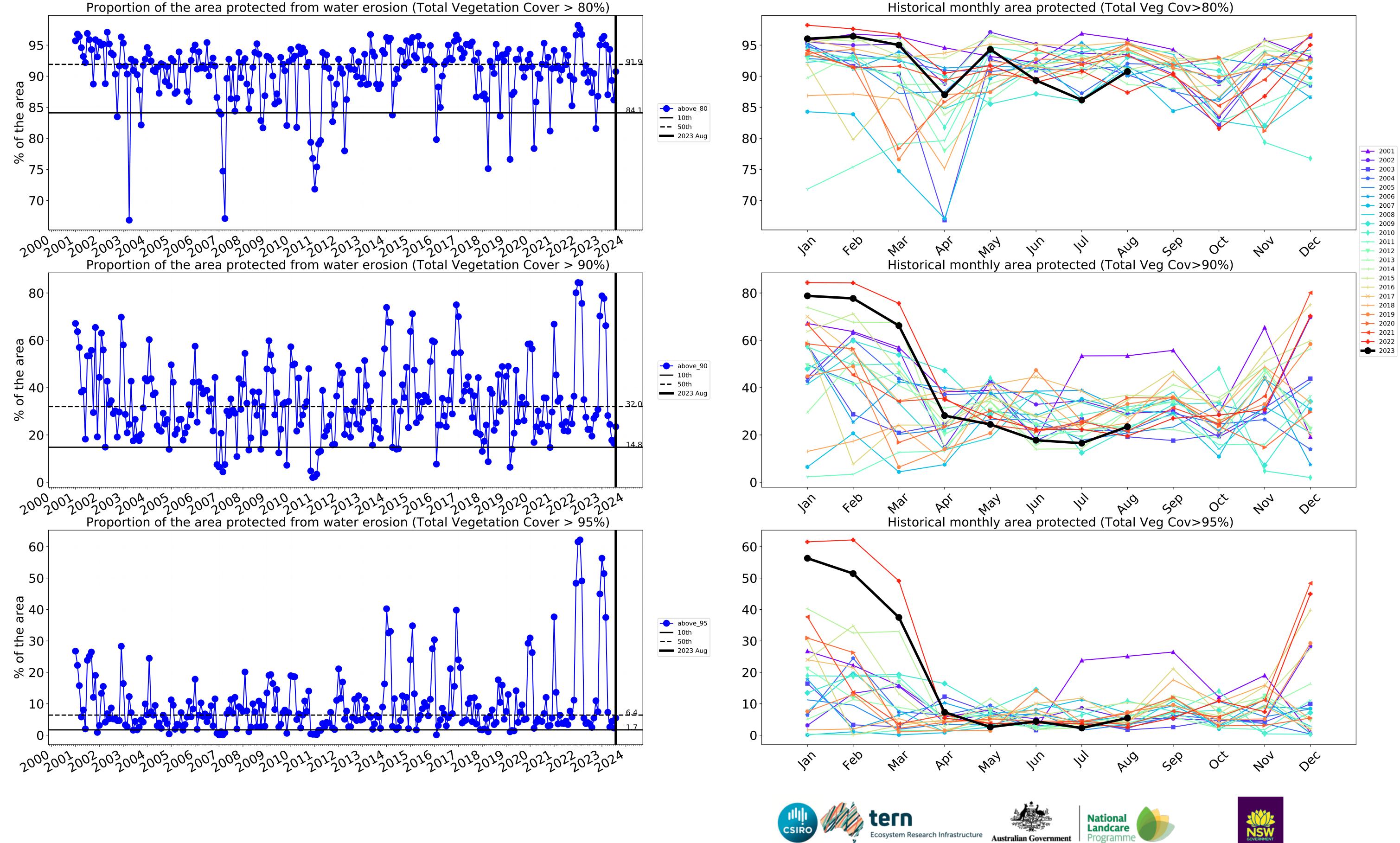
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



# Grazing non forest timeseries



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





## Irrigation

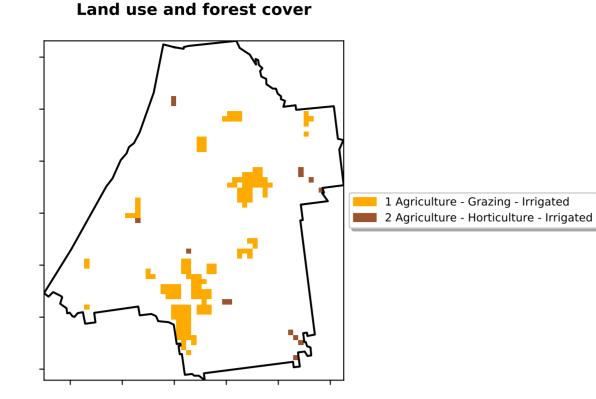
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52% 70%

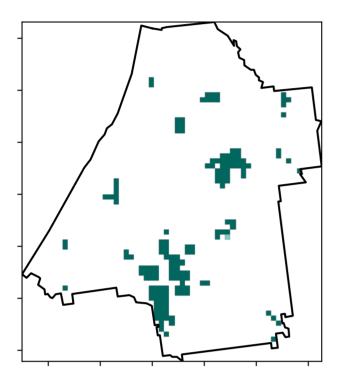
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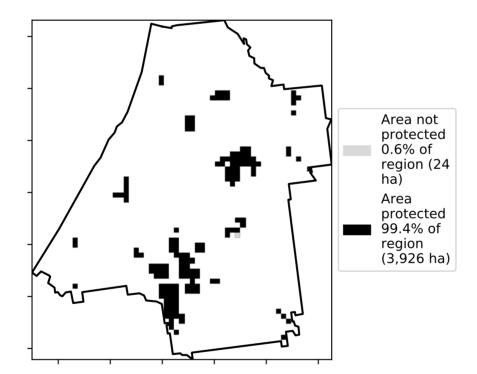
Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

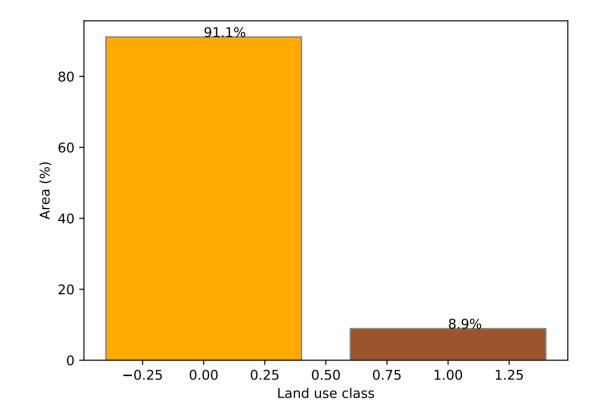


Total Vegetation Cover [%]



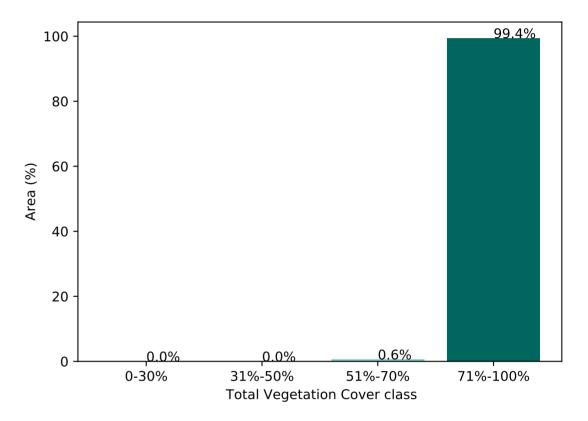
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





#### Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

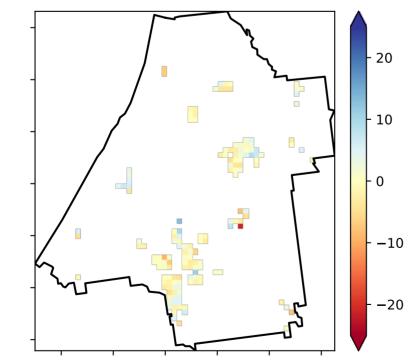


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

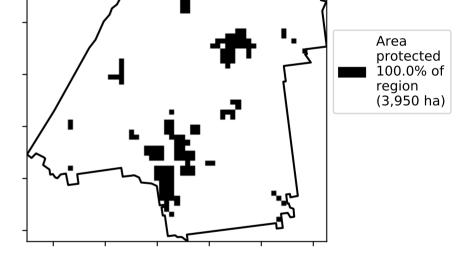


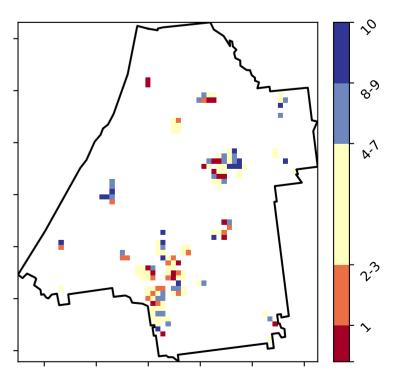
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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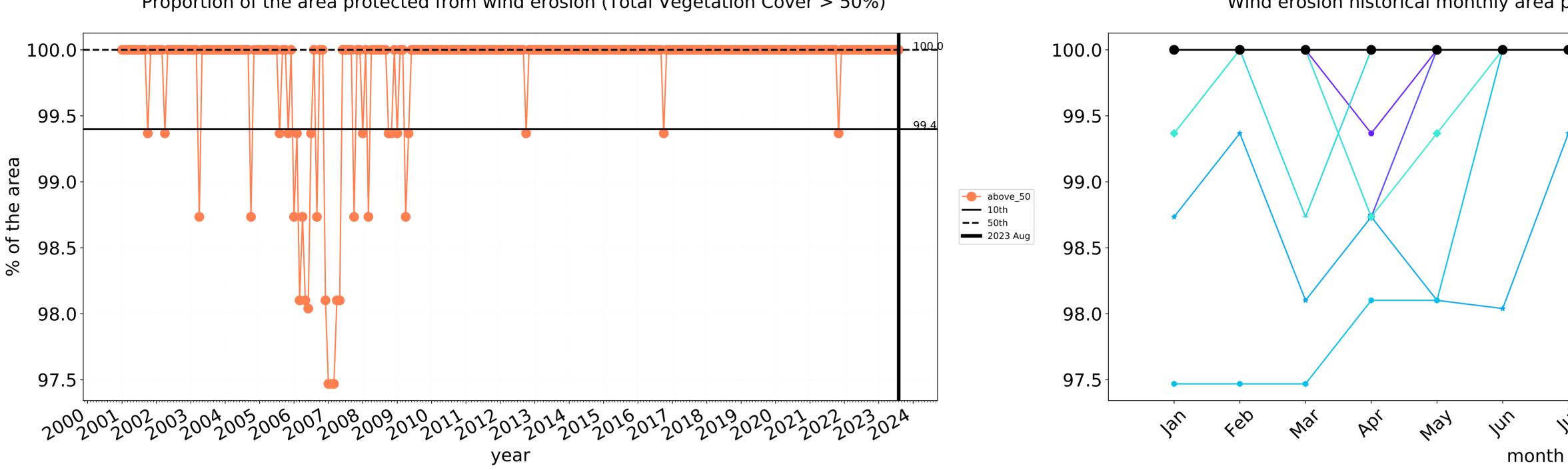


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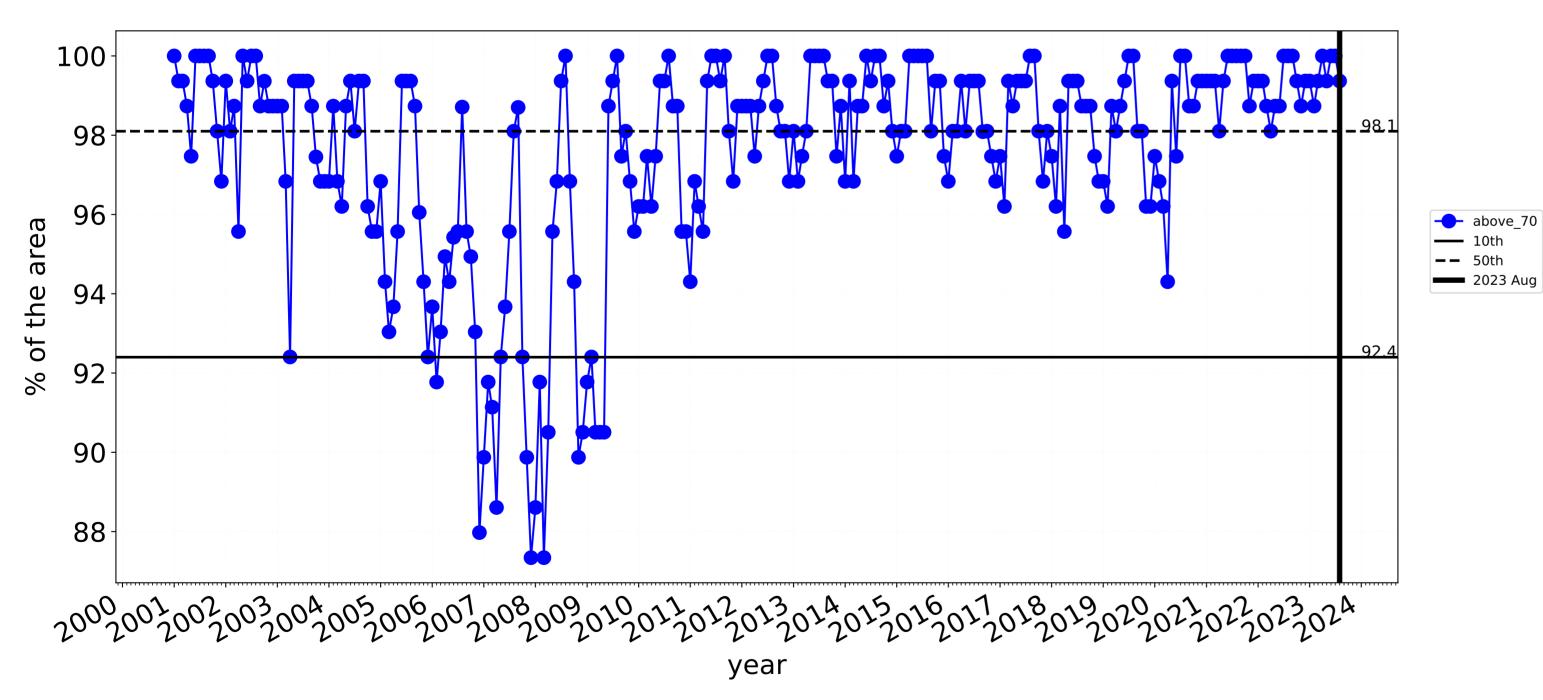






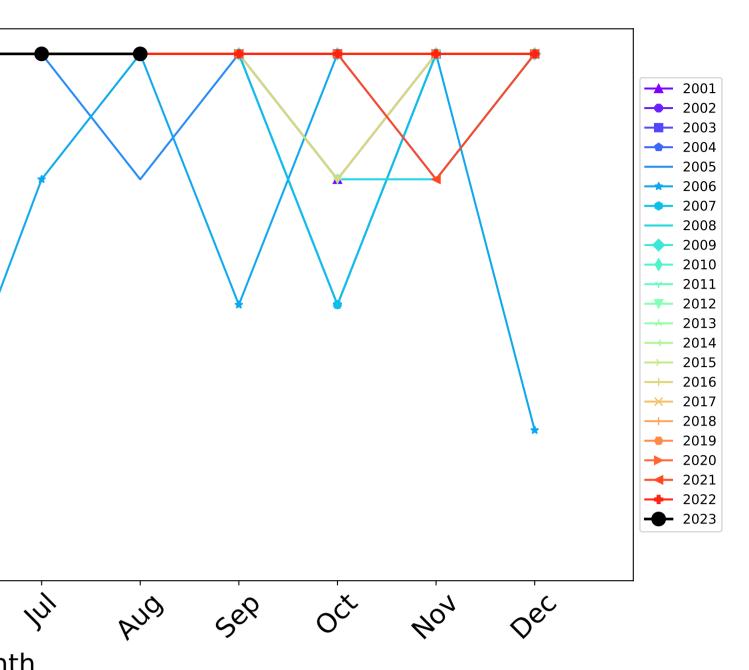
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

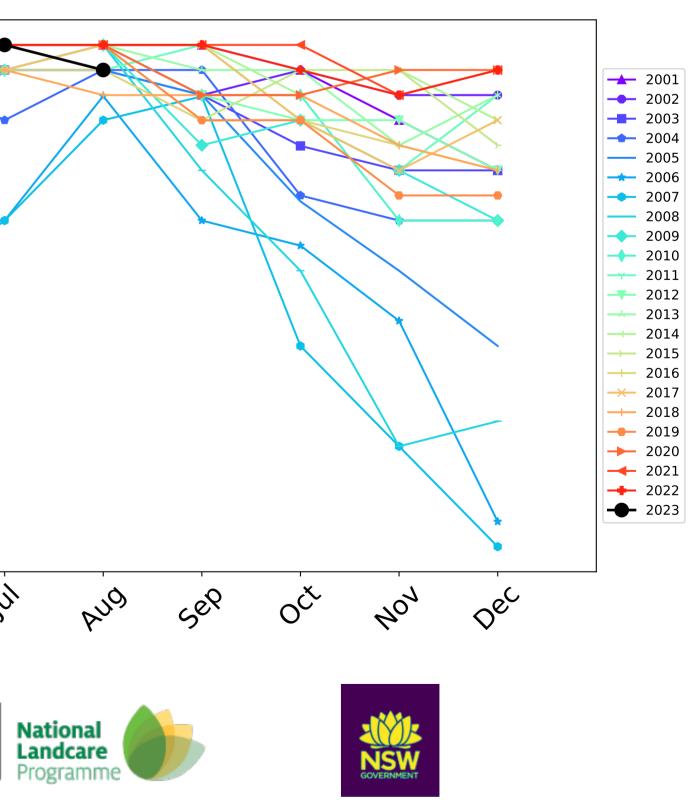
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

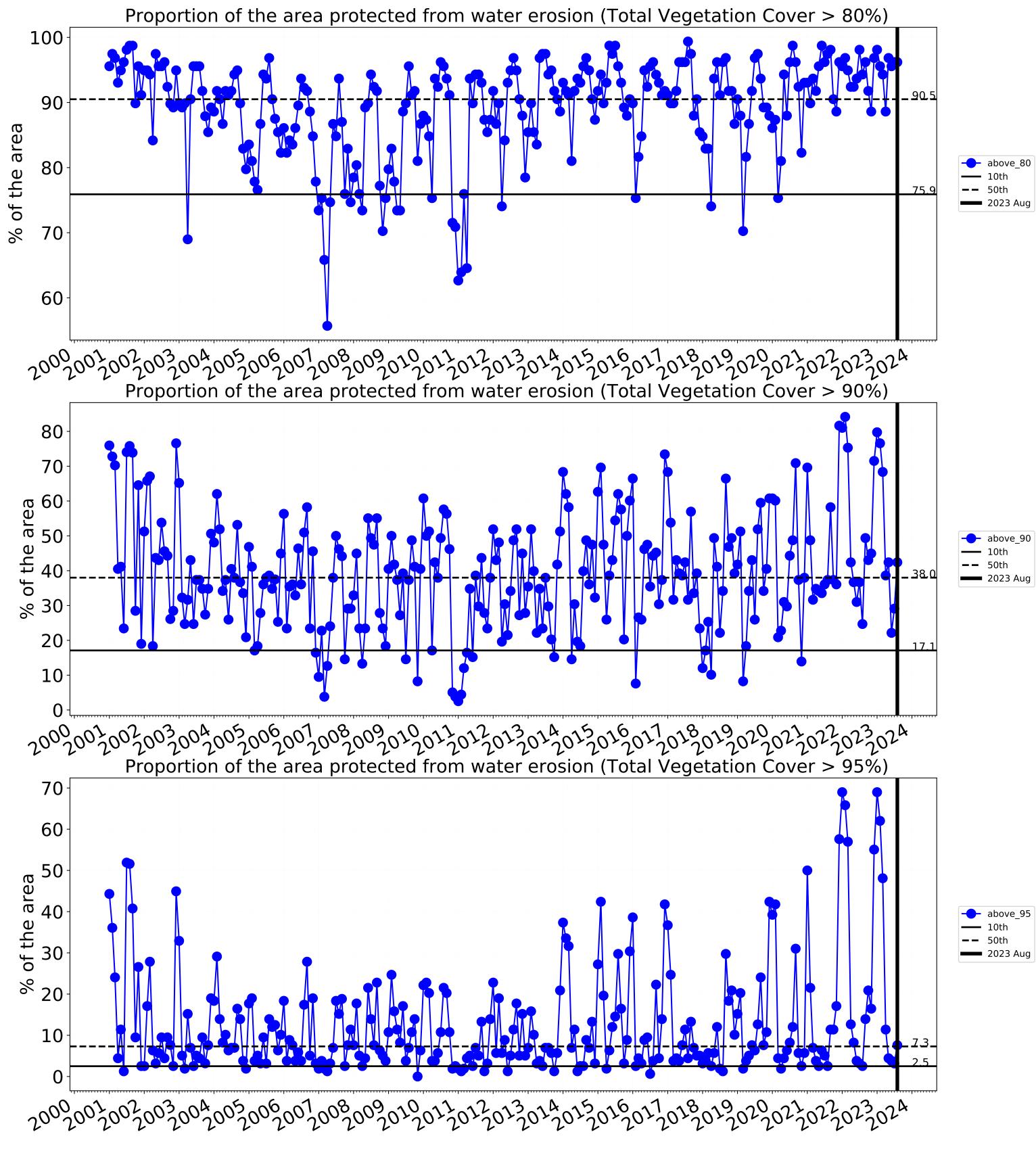


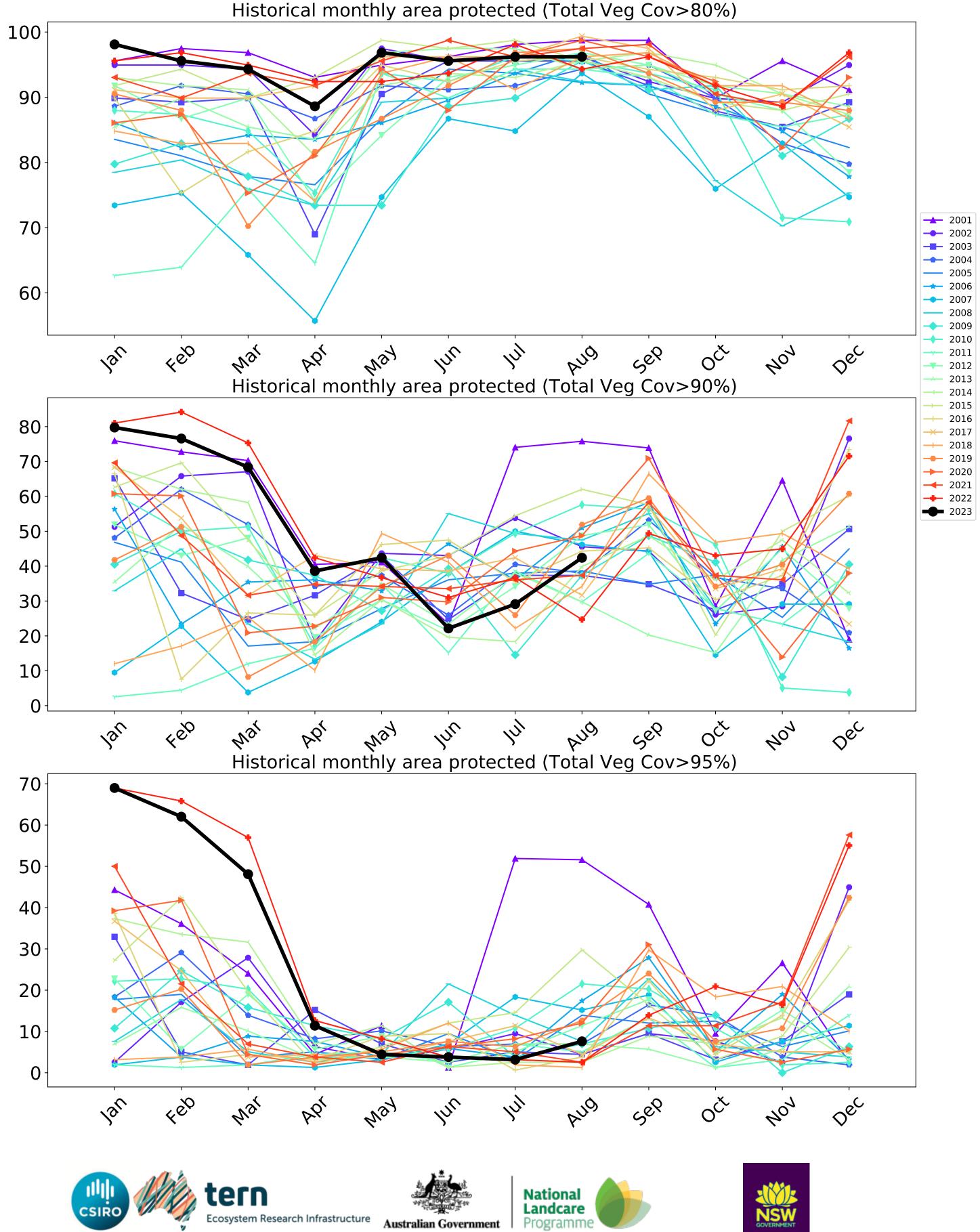
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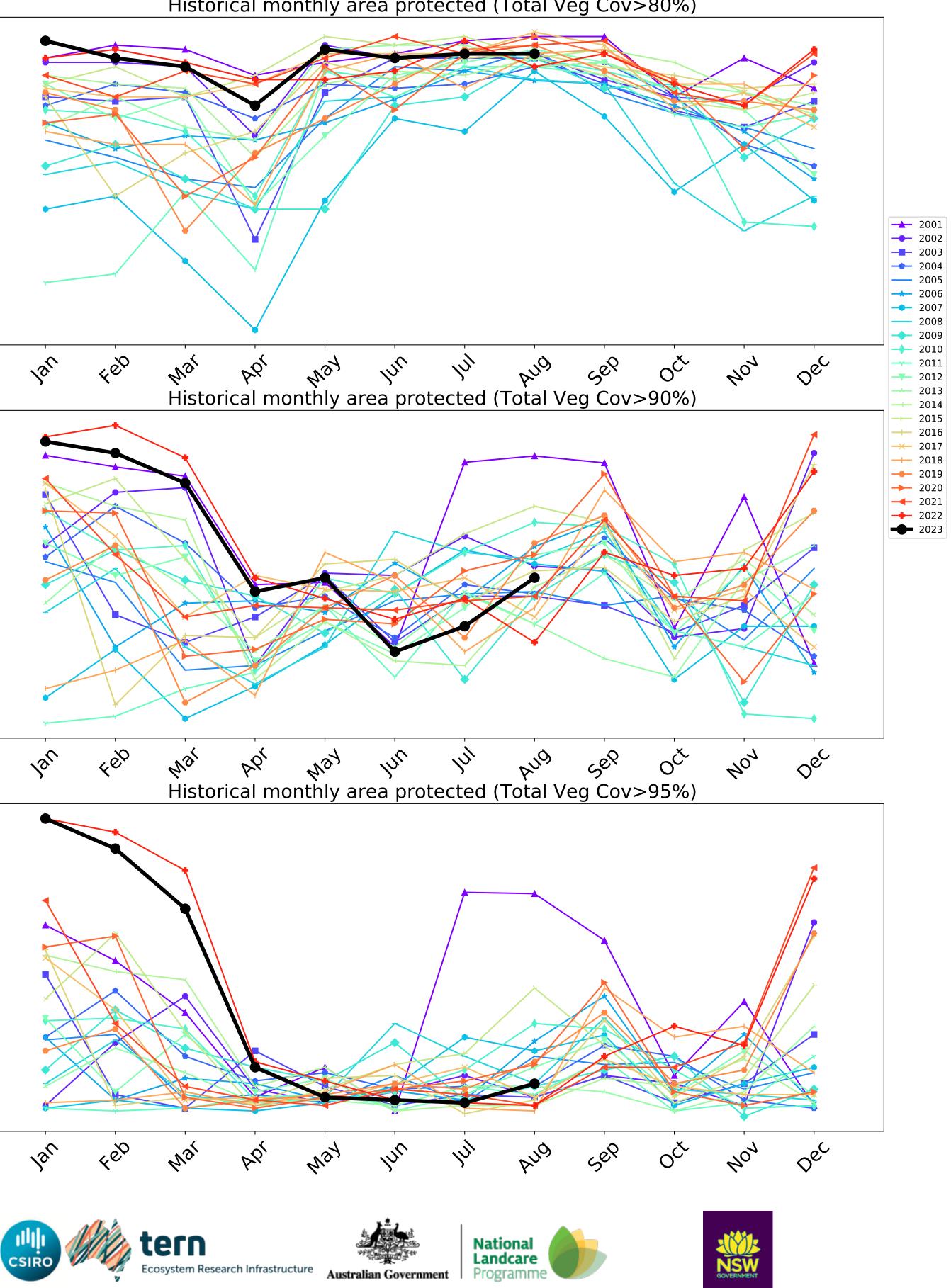
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)





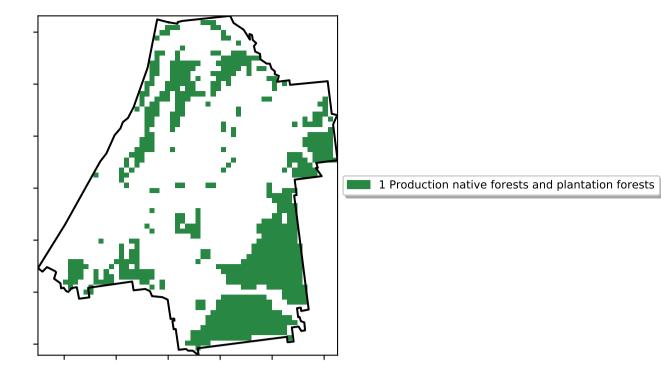




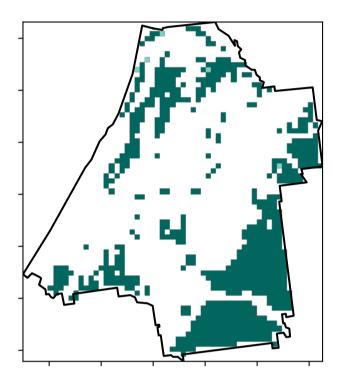


## **Production native forests and plantation forests**

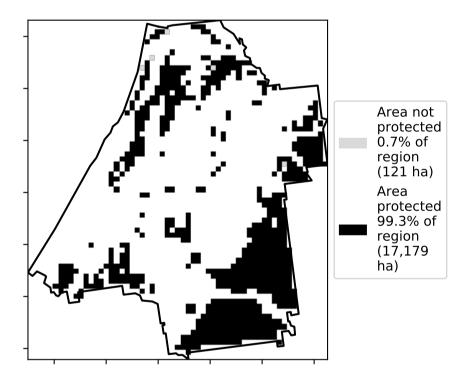
Land use and forest cover



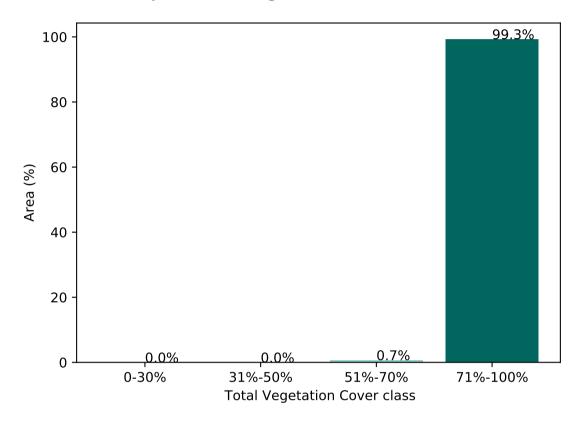
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



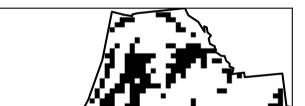




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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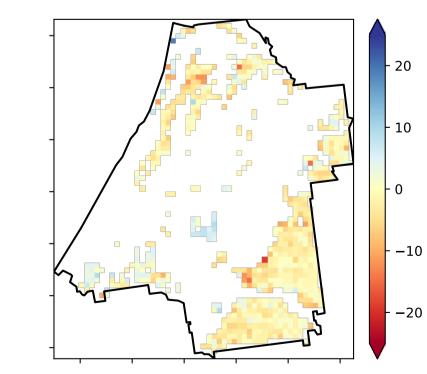
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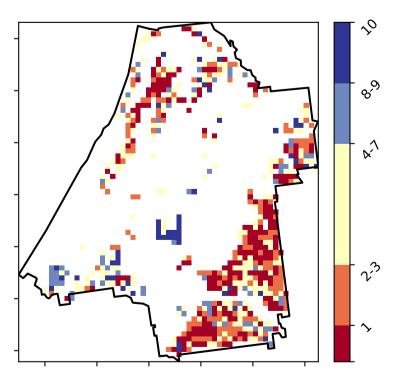
pixel. The mean is only for the month of the map

using baseline from 2001 to 2019. **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





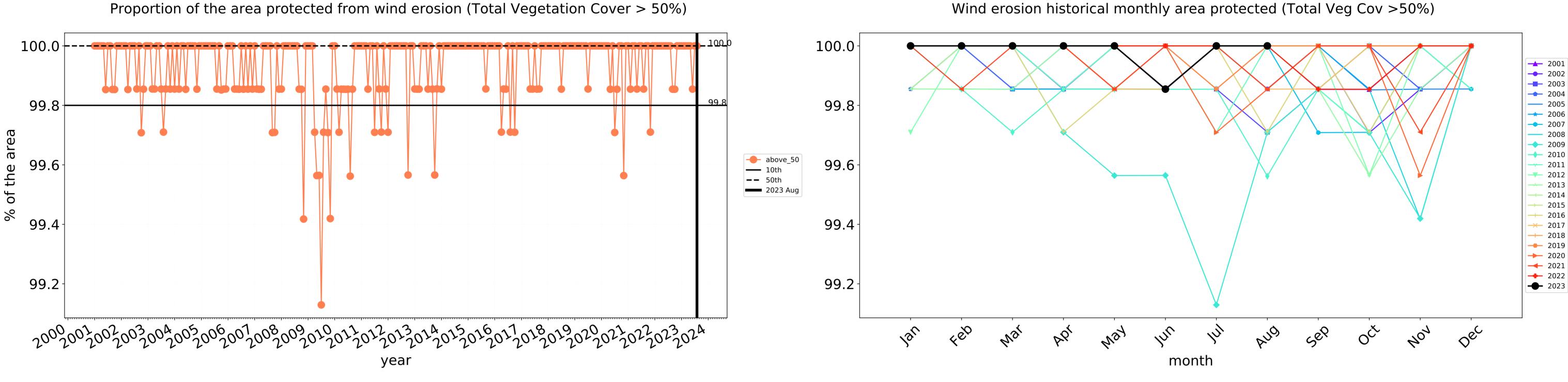
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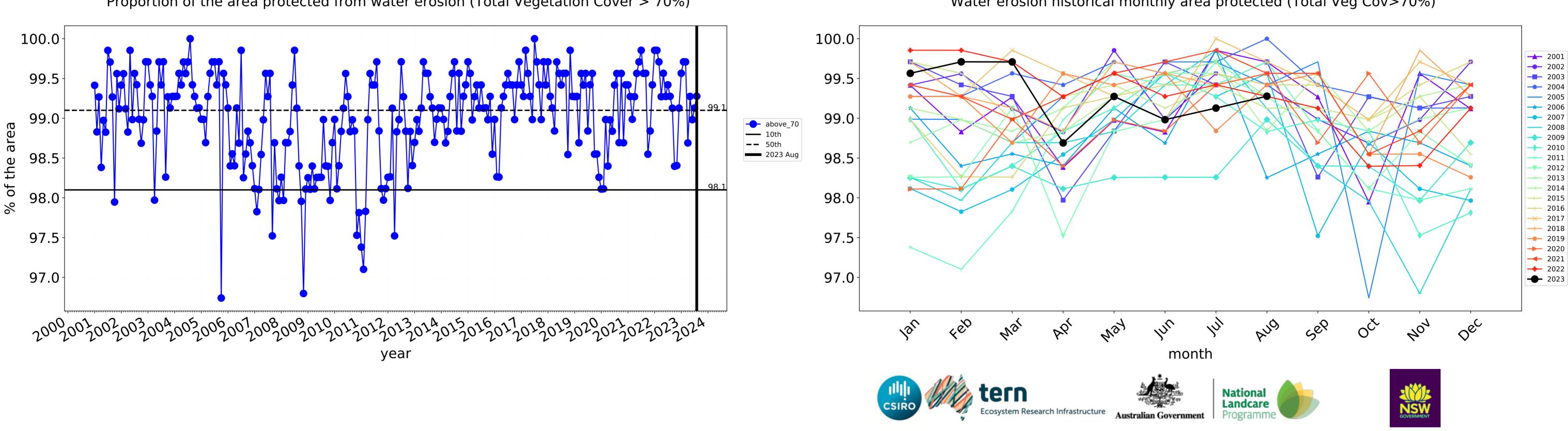
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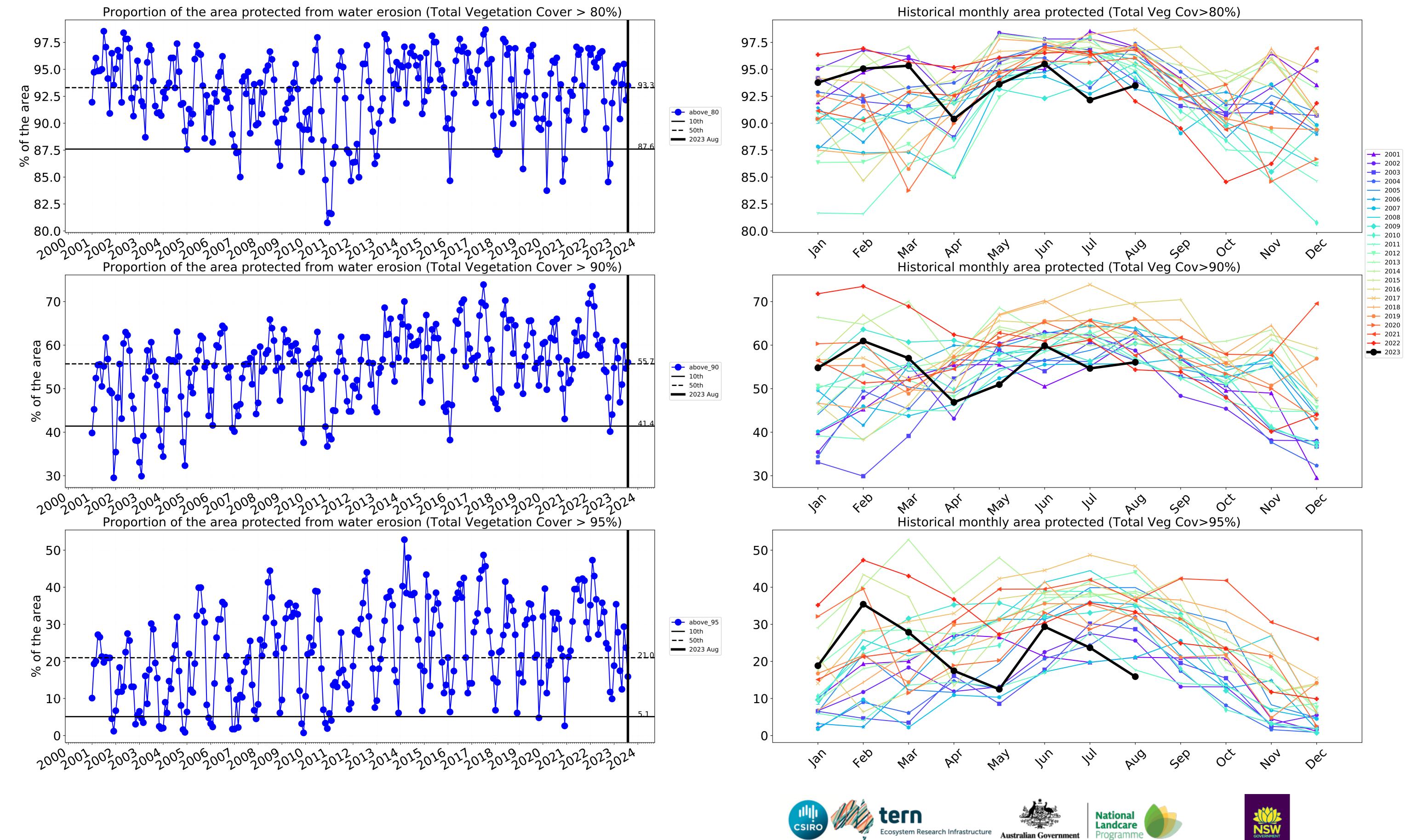


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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

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





# Capel\_(S) (55,425 ha and no data 371 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	55,425	100.0% 55,400	99.9% 55,350	97.9% 54,250	89.1% 49,375	34.8% 19,275	8.6% 4,775
Conservation and natural environments	2,300	98.9% 2,275	98.9% 2,275	96.7% 2,225	89.1% 2,050	41.3% 950	2.2% 50
Conservation and natural environments non forest	550	95.5% 525	95.5% 525	86.4% 475	59.1% 325	0.0% 0	0.0%
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	1,500	100.0% 1,500	100.0% 1,500	100.0% 1,500	98.3% 1,475	55.0% 825	3.3% 50
Agriculture	29,750	100.0% 29,750	100.0% 29,750	99.2% 29,525	91.7% 27,275	26.2% 7,800	5.9% 1,750
Grazing	25,275	100.0% 25,275	100.0% 25,275	99.2% 25,075	90.8% 22,950	23.7% 6,000	5.7% 1,450
Grazing non forest	25,125	100.0% 25,125	100.0% 25,125	99.2% 24,925	90.7% 22,800	23.5% 5,900	5.5% 1,375
Irrigation	3,950	100.0% 3,950	100.0% 3,950	99.4% 3,925	96.2% 3,800	42.4% 1,675	7.6% 300
Production native forests and plantation forests	17,300	100.0% 17,300	100.0% 17,300	99.3% 17,175	93.5% 16,175	56.1% 9,700	15.9% 2,750

