Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Gingin_(S) WA

Date: December 2024

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

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

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

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

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

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

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

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

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

Erosion protection

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

Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

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

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

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

Acknowledgment of data:

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

https://doi.org/10.4225/08/5848a3f19a7b3



Vegetation Cover Dec 2024

Land use and forest cover

Proportion of each land class in area





Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





Area not protected 10.3% of region (32,790 ha) Area protected 89.7% of

region (285,560

ha)

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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]











Conservation and natural environments

Land use and forest cover

Proportion of each land class in area



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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1 Conservation and natural environments - Non-forest

3 Conservation and natural environments - Non-woodland forest

2 Conservation and natural environments - Woodland forest



Total Vegetation Cover [%]

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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]









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





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%)









Conservation and natural environments non forest

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

Total Vegetation Cover [%]

Land use and forest cover



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Conservation and natural environments non forest timeseries



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

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

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Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest

Land use and forest cover



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Agriculture

Land use and forest cover

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Agriculture timeseries

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Grazing

Land use and forest cover 100 -80 Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land 60 Area (%) 1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest 2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest **3** Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018) 40 20 -

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Grazing non forest



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Grazing non forest timeseries



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Cropping timeseries

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Irrigation

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Land use and forest cover

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Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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Irrigation timeseries



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Production native forests and plantation forests



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Gingin_(S) (318,350 ha and no data 2,462 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	318,350	100.0% 318,325	99.5% 316,625	89.7% 285,675	60.9% 193,800	8.5% 27,100	0.7% 2,275
Conservation and natural environments	173,925	100.0% 173,900	99.5% 173,000	93.3% 162,300	72.5% 126,050	11.1% 19,225	0.4% 750
Conservation and natural environments non forest	88,425	100.0% 88,400	99.2% 87,750	91.4% 80,800	67.6% 59,775	10.6% 9,350	0.6% 500
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	83,275	100.0% 83,275	99.7% 83,025	95.2% 79,275	77.2% 64,250	11.7% 9,750	0.3% 250
Agriculture	124,200	100.0% 124,200	99.4% 123,400	84.6% 105,125	46.5% 57,750	5.5% 6,800	1.0% 1,200
Grazing	108,300	100.0% 108,300	99.7% 107,950	87.6% 94,825	48.6% 52,625	5.3% 5,775	1.0% 1,050
Grazing non forest	106,800	100.0% 106,800	99.7% 106,450	87.6% 93,600	49.0% 52,375	5.4% 5,750	1.0% 1,050
Cropping	6,050	100.0% 6,050	98.8% 5,975	83.1% 5,025	58.7% 3,550	16.9% 1,025	2.5% 150
Irrigation	9,700	100.0% 9,700	96.1% 9,325	53.1% 5,150	15.5% 1,500	0.0% 0	0.0% 0
Production native forests and plantation forests	11,925	100.0% 11,925	100.0% 11,925	92.7% 11,050	50.9% 6,075	3.8% 450	0.0%

