Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Central Tablelands NSW

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:

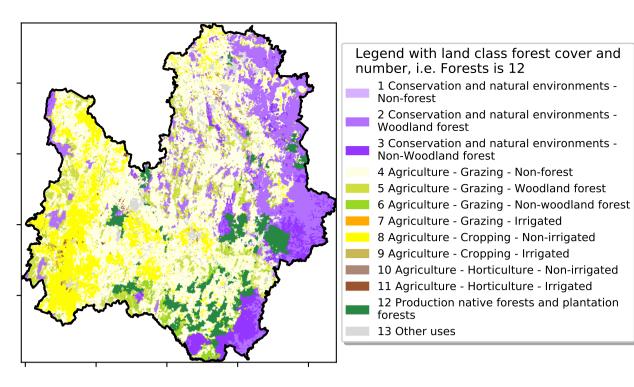
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Land use and forest cover

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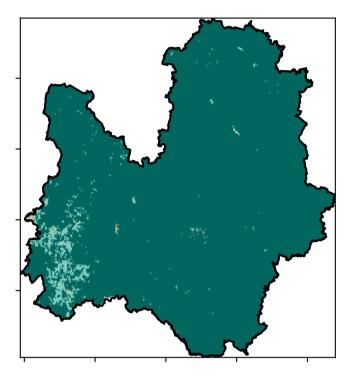
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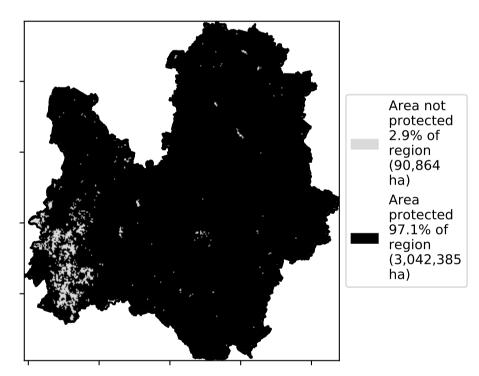
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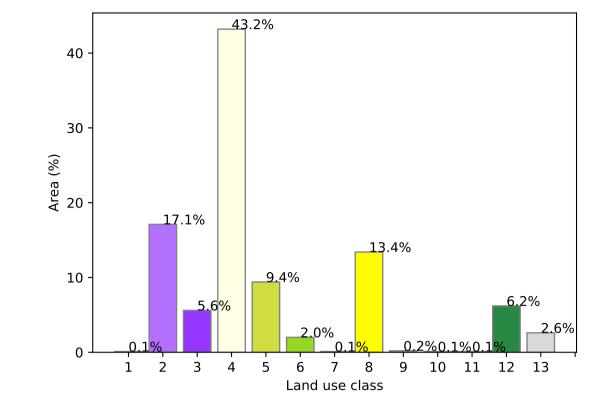
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Total Vegetation Cover [%]

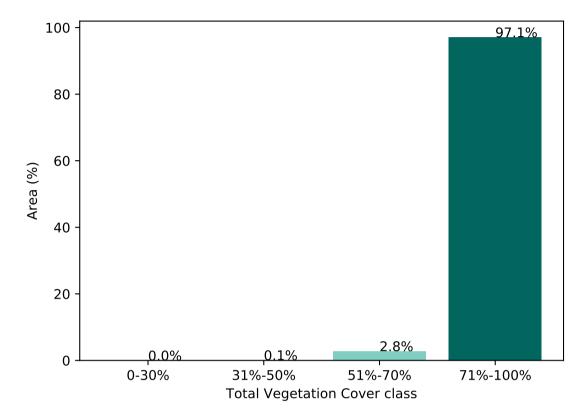


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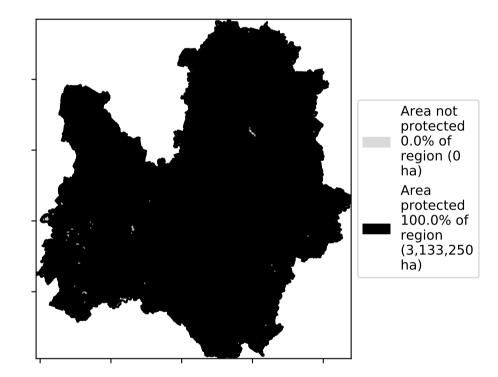




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



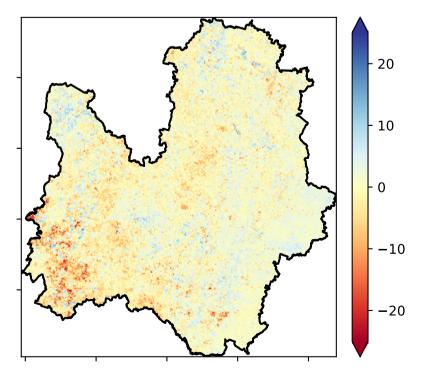
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Proportion of each land class in area

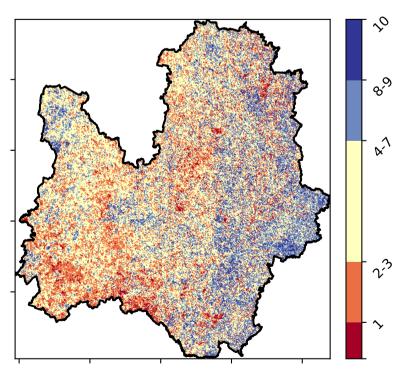
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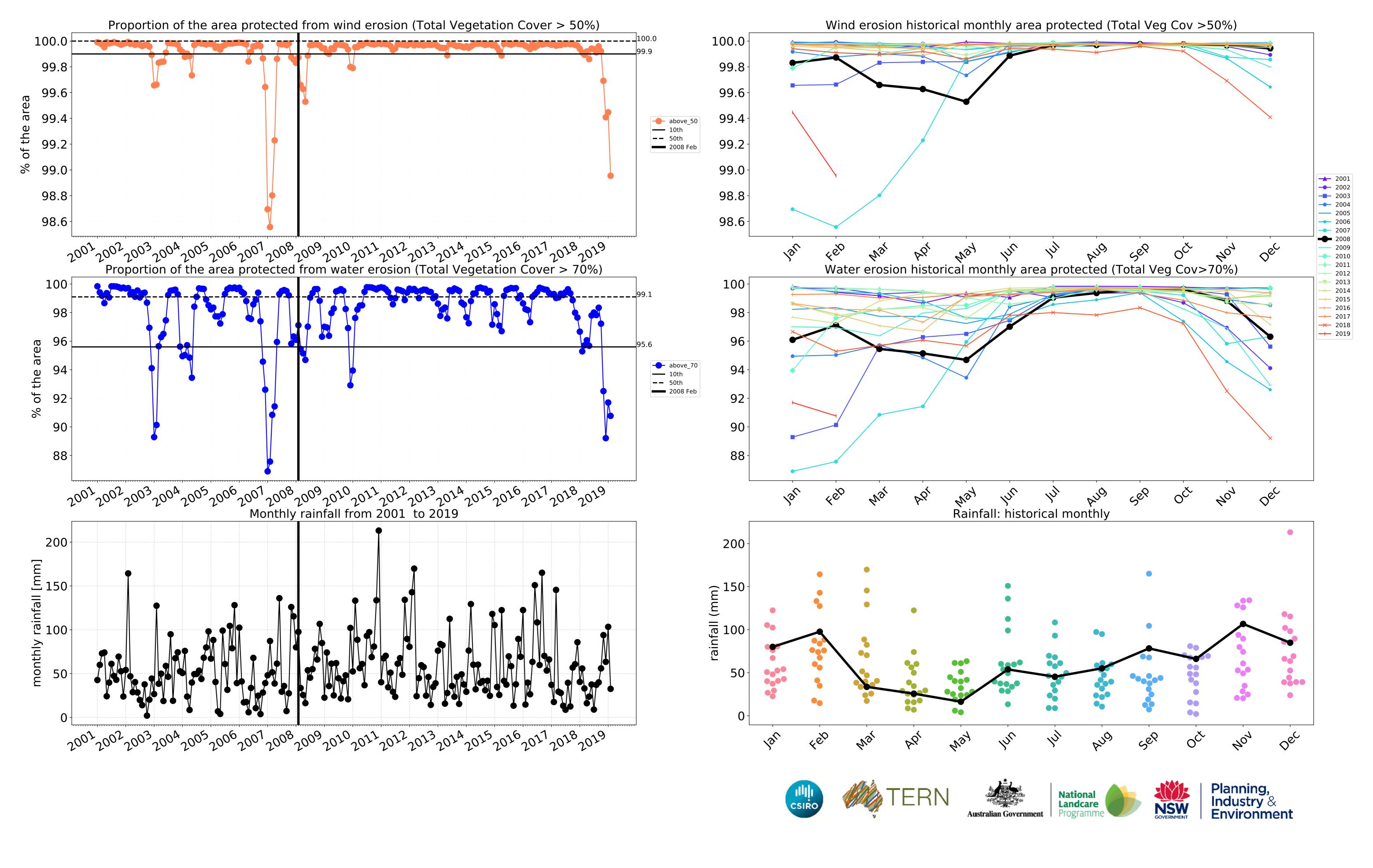


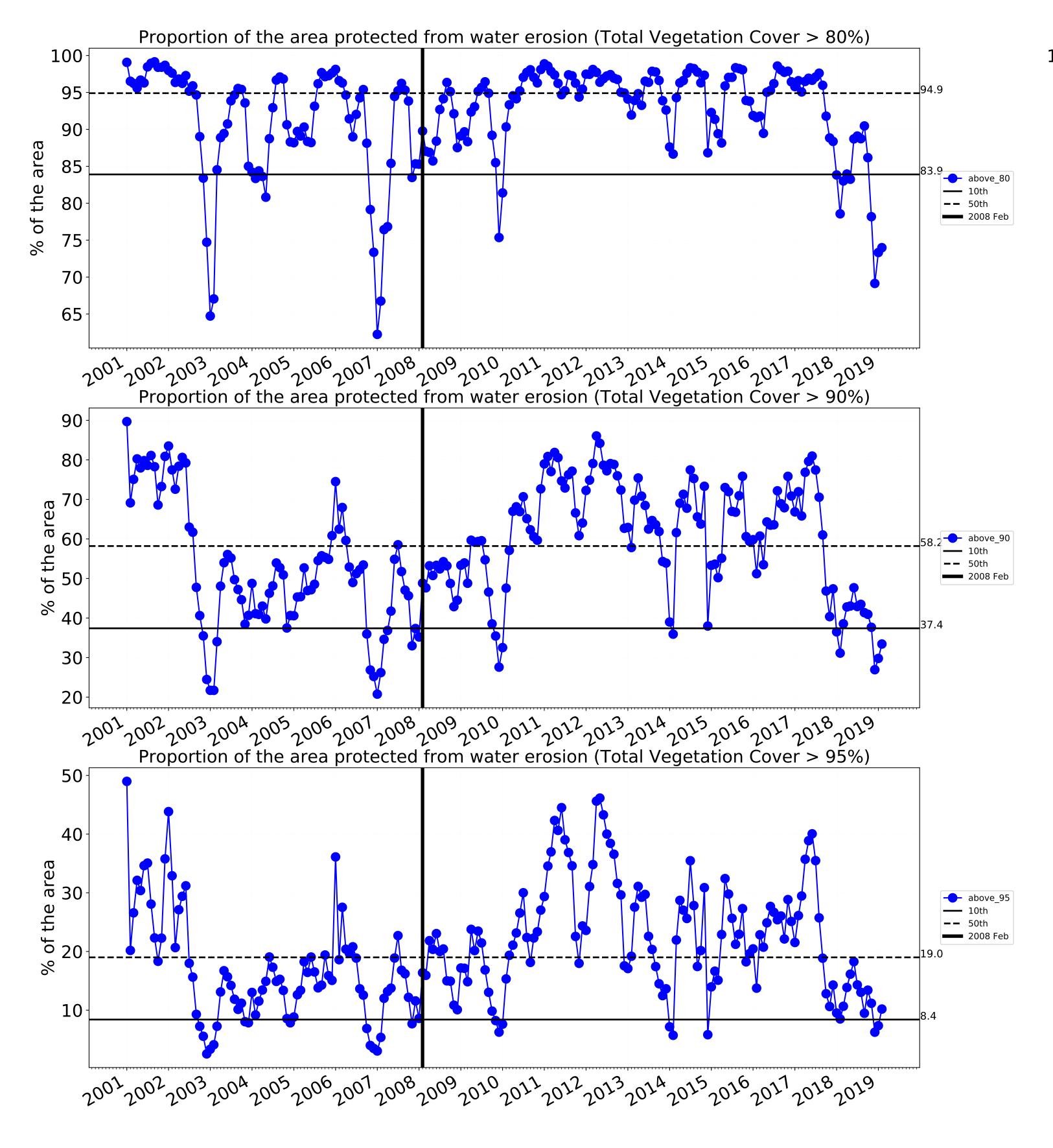
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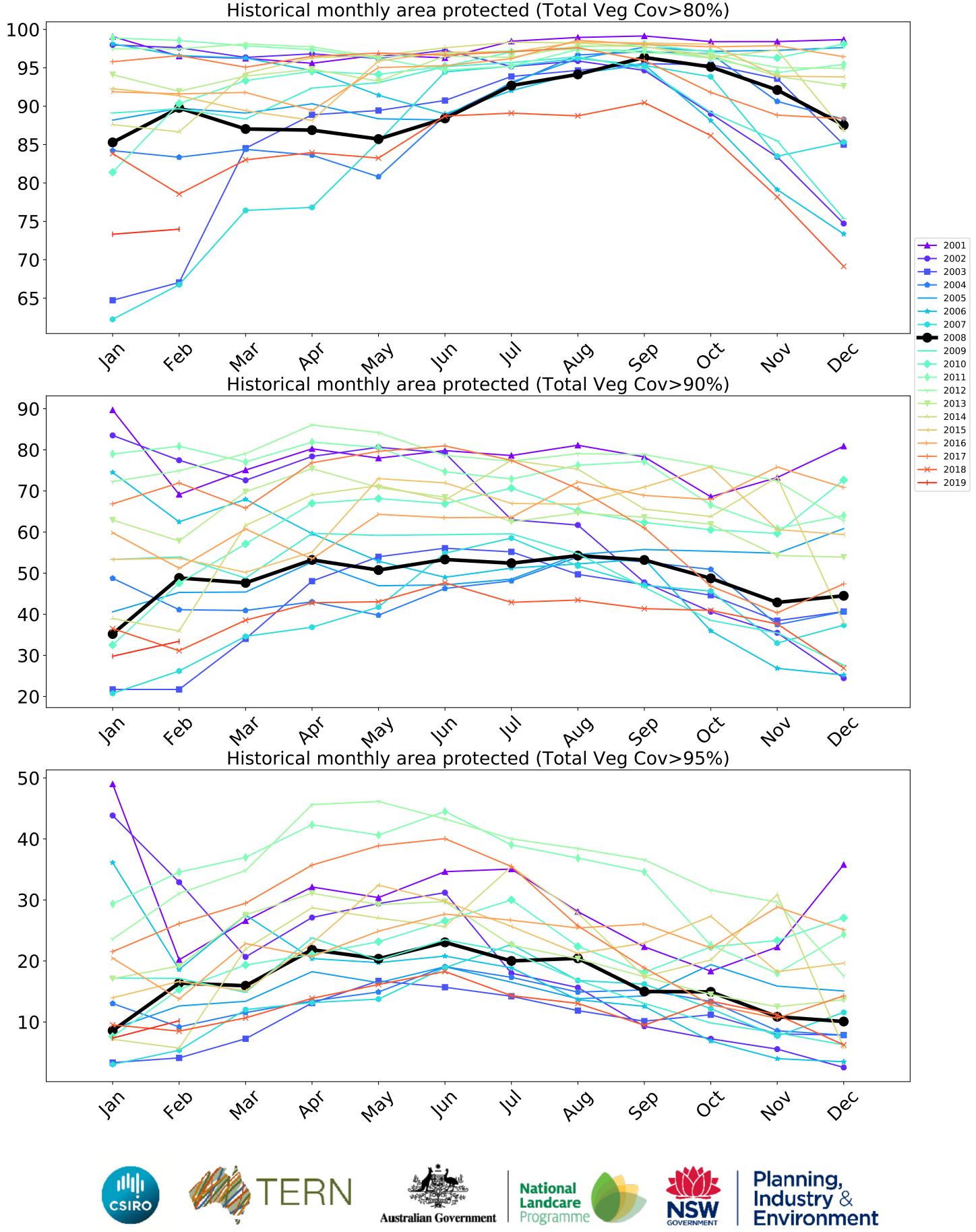
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







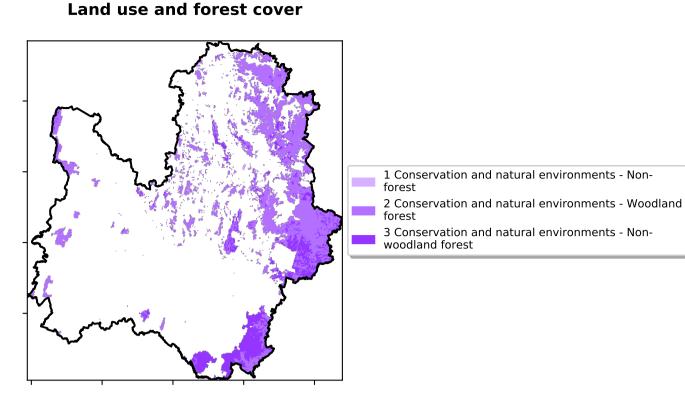




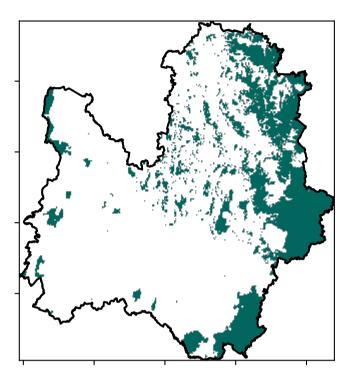


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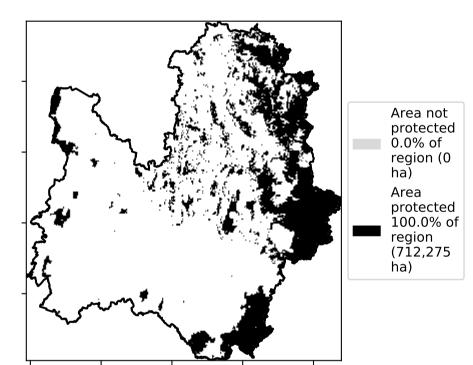
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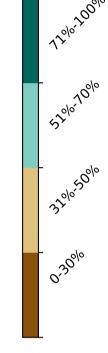


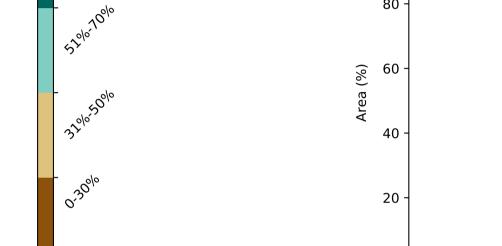
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



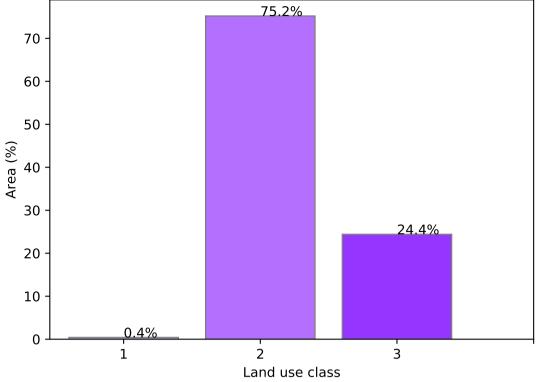
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



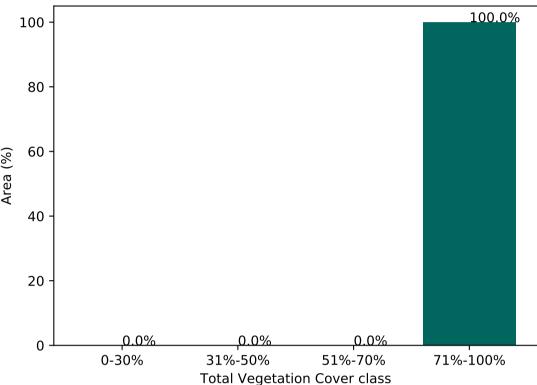




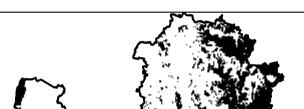
Proportion of each land class in area 75.2%



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



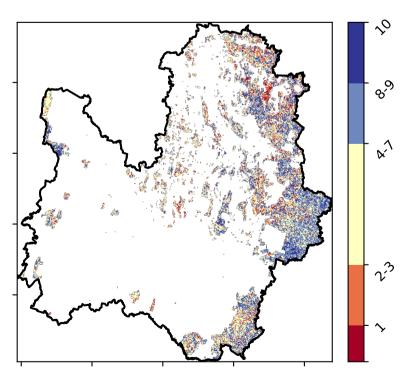
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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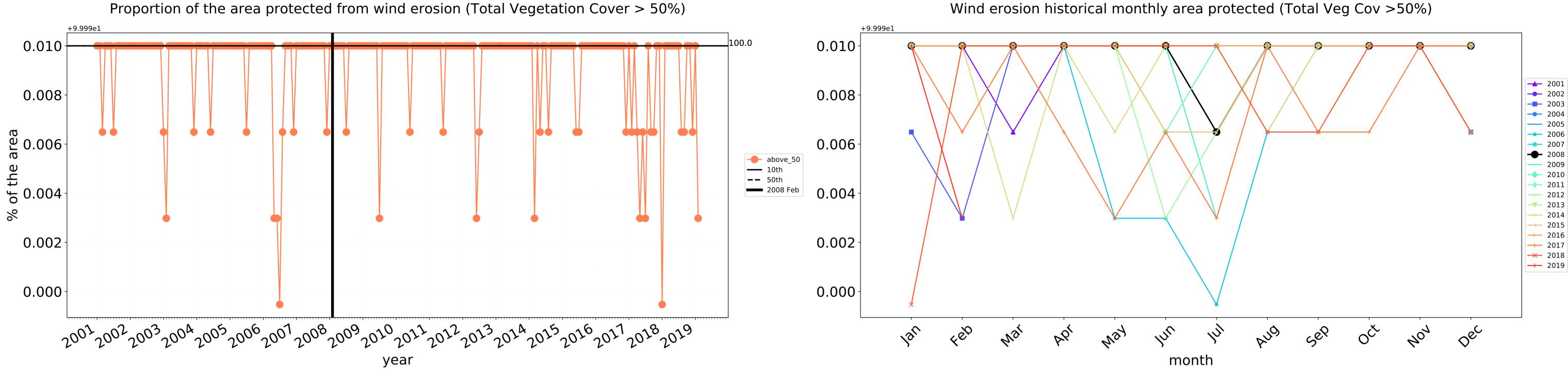
Area protected 100.0% of region (712,275 ĥa)

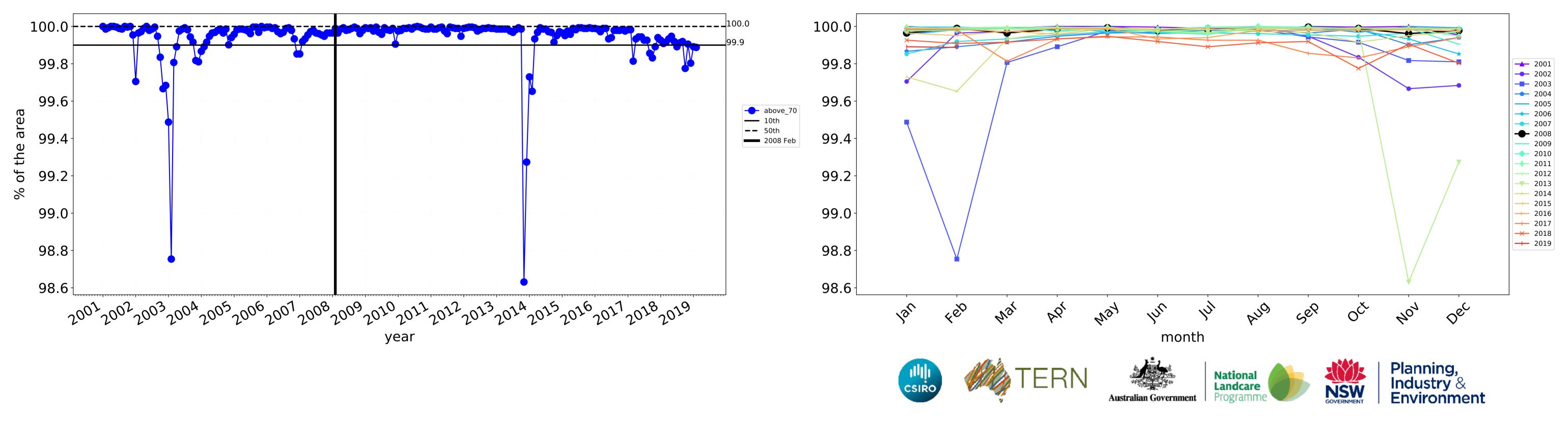
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



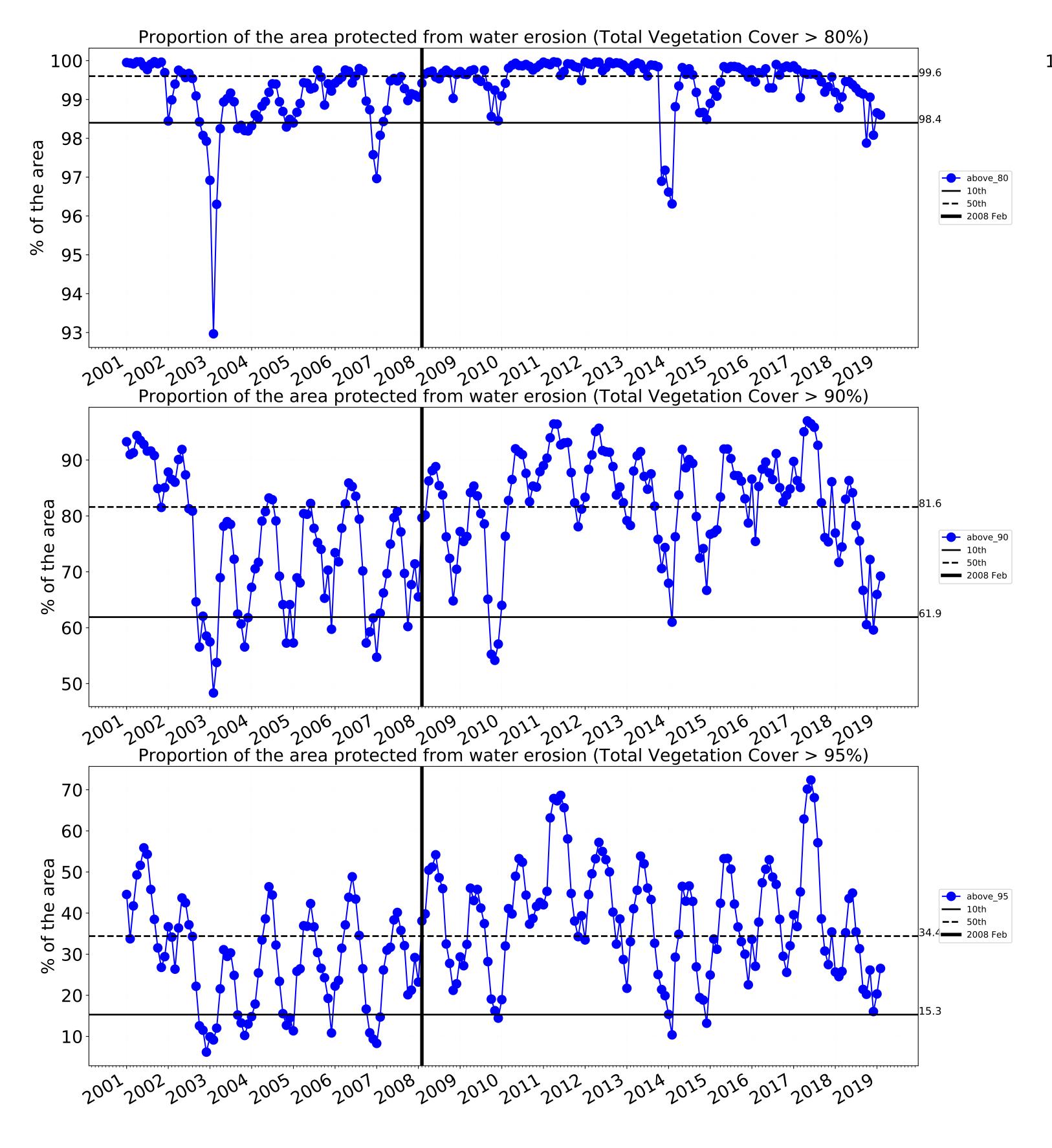


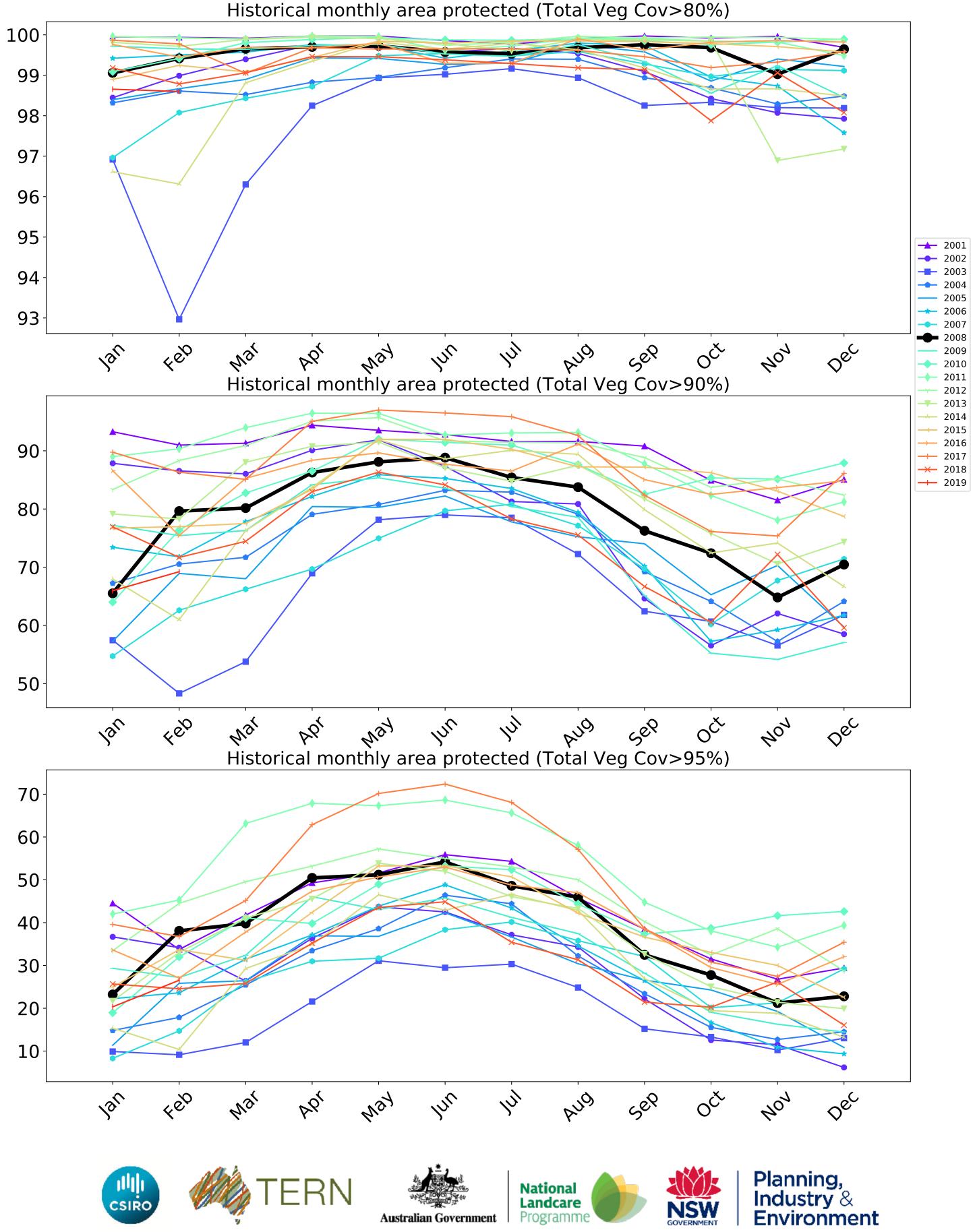






Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

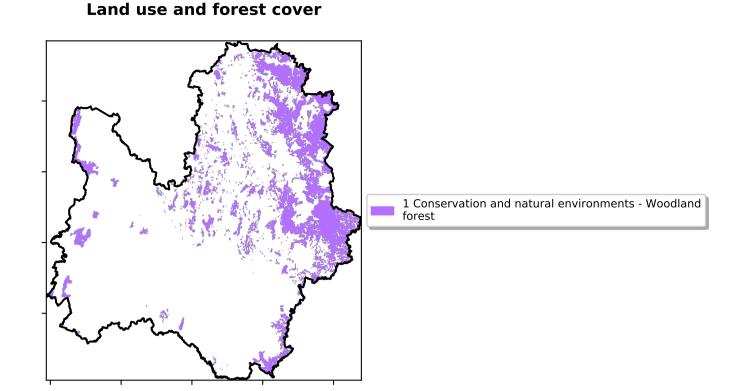




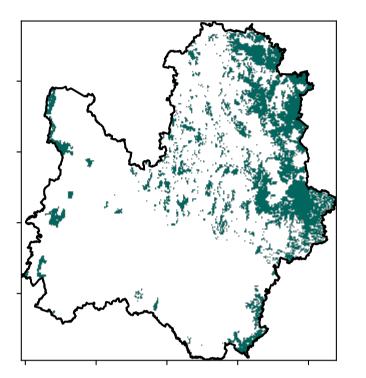


Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest

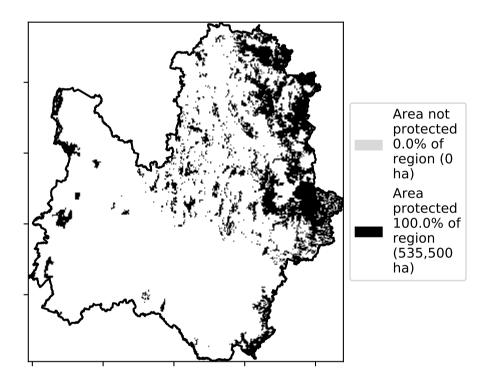
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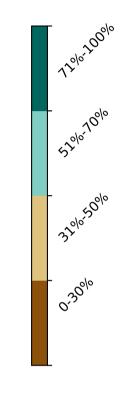


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

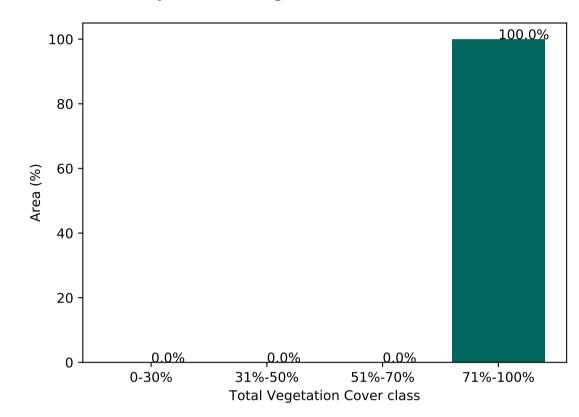


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

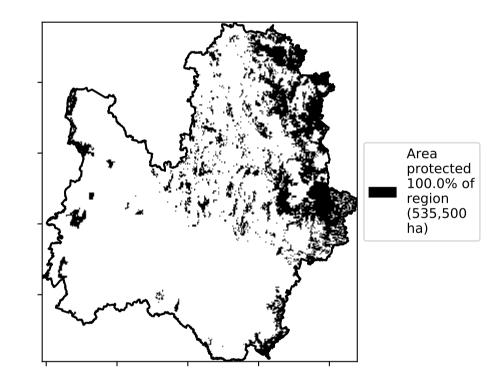




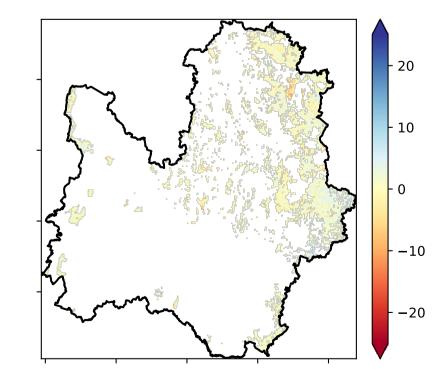
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

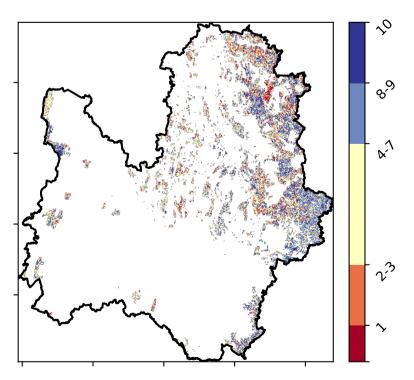


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



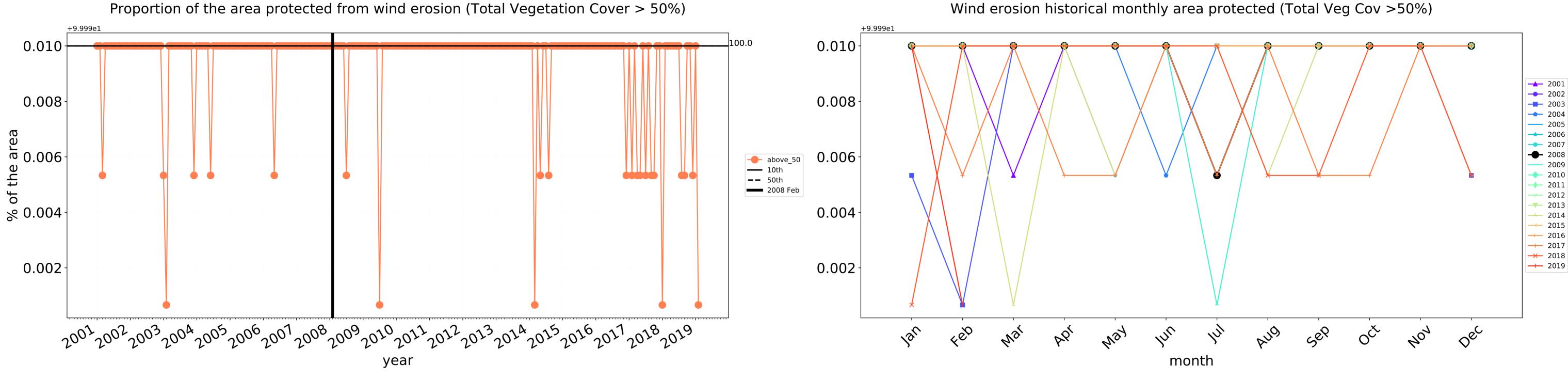
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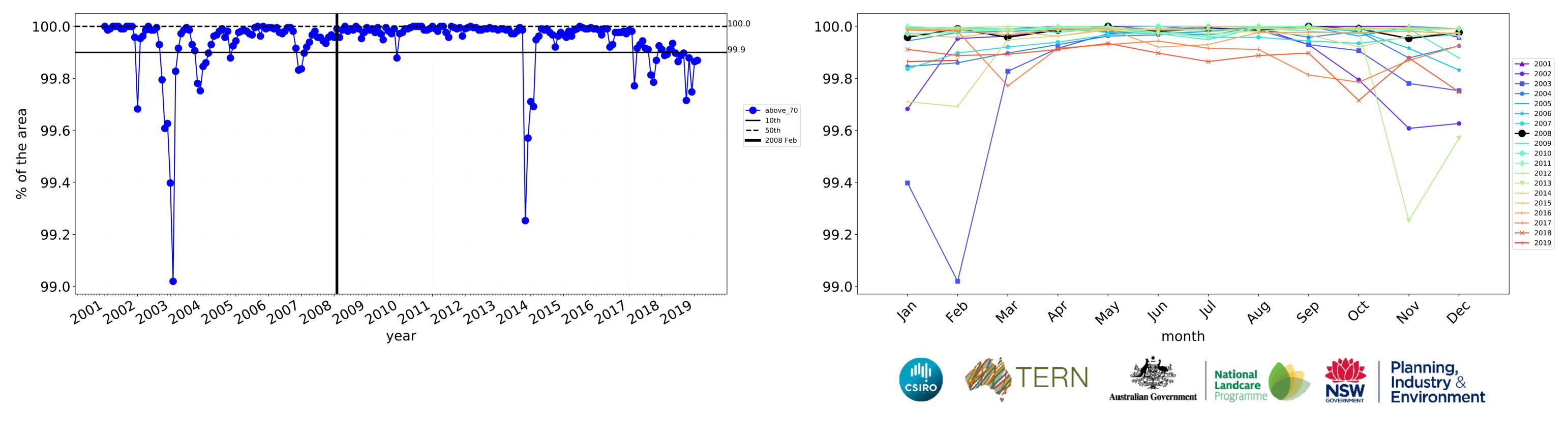
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



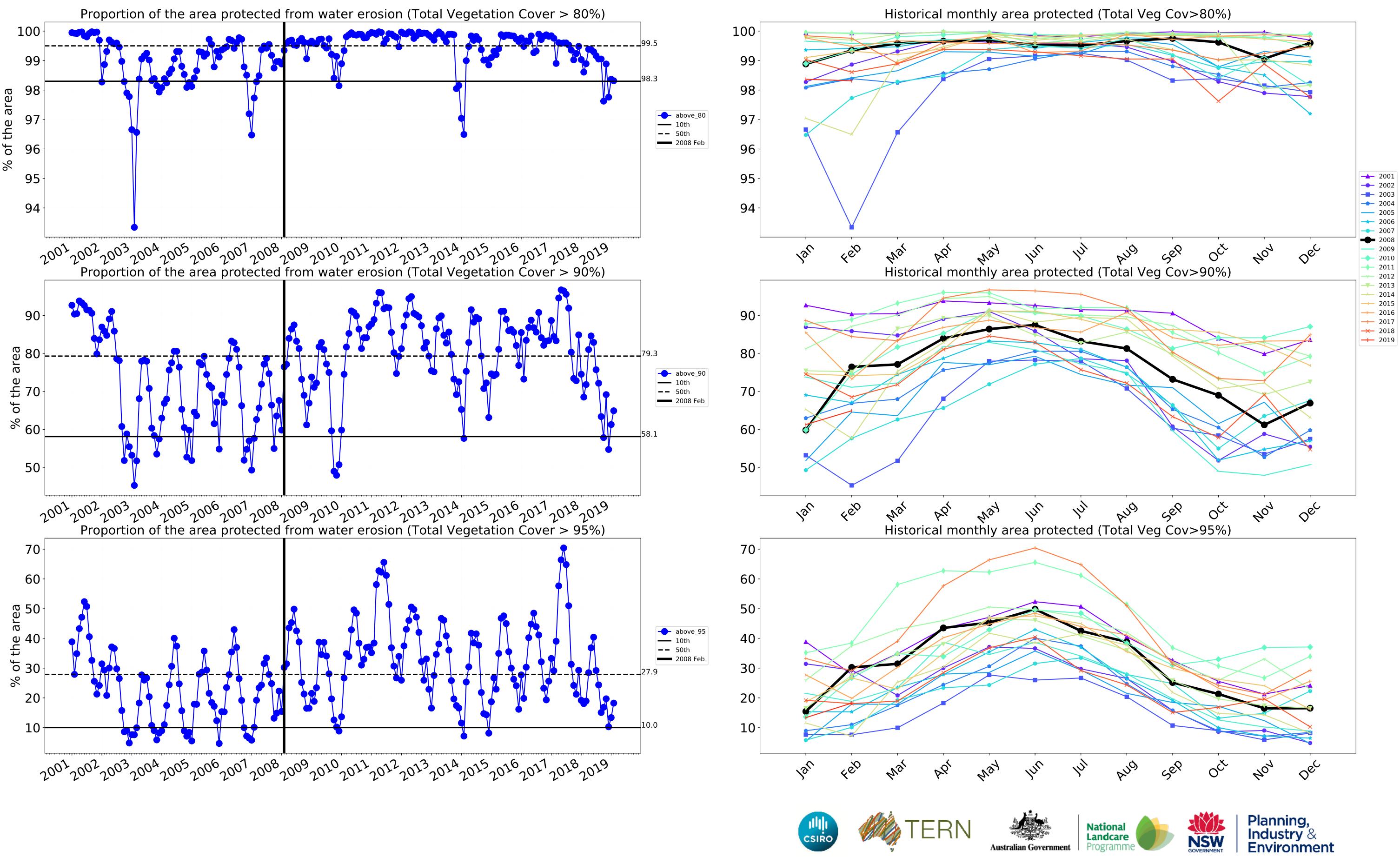








Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)





Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover 1 Conservation and natural environments - Non-Catchment Scale Land woodland forest

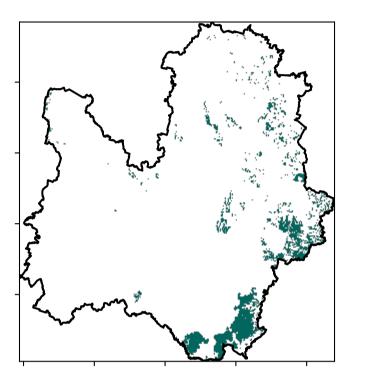
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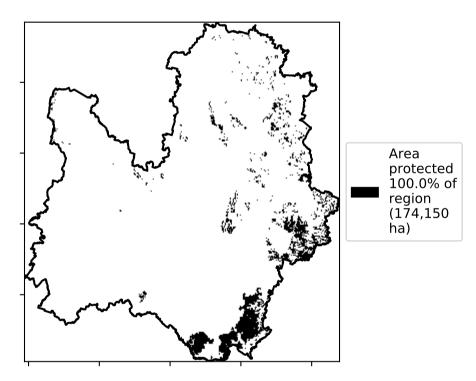
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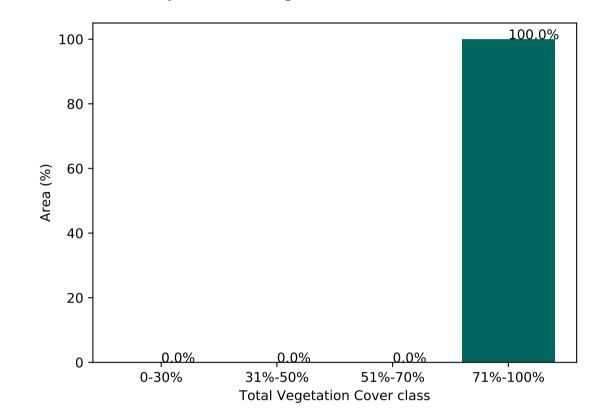
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



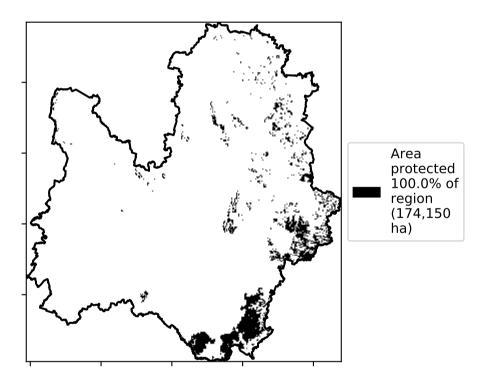
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



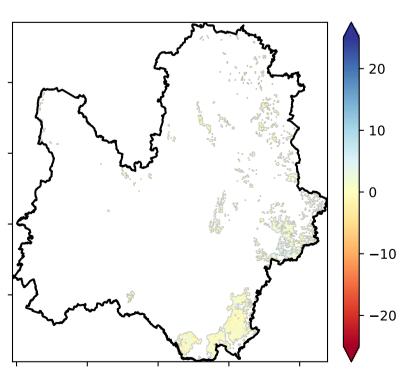
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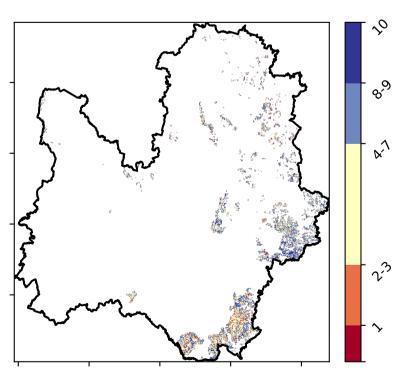
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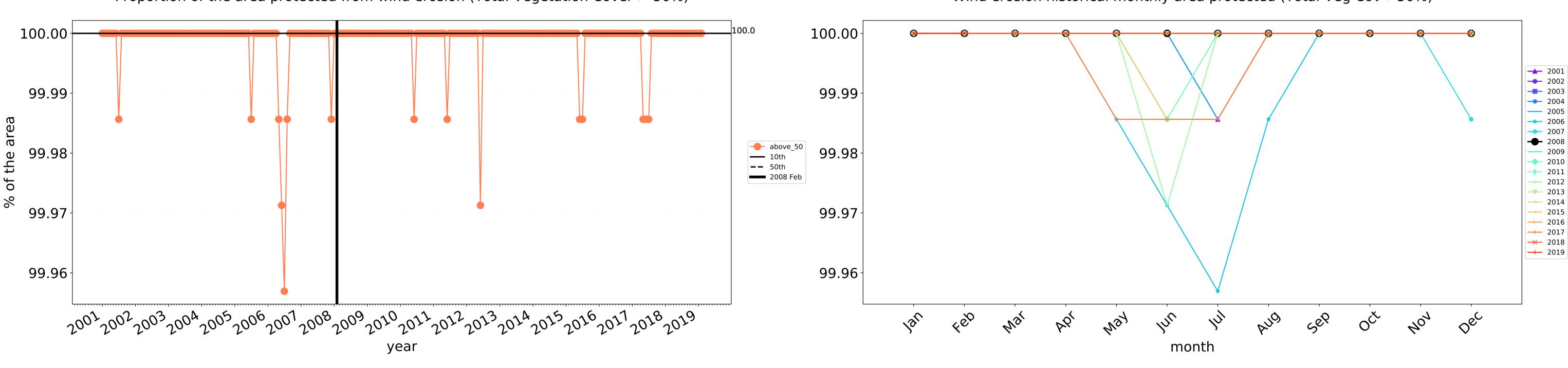


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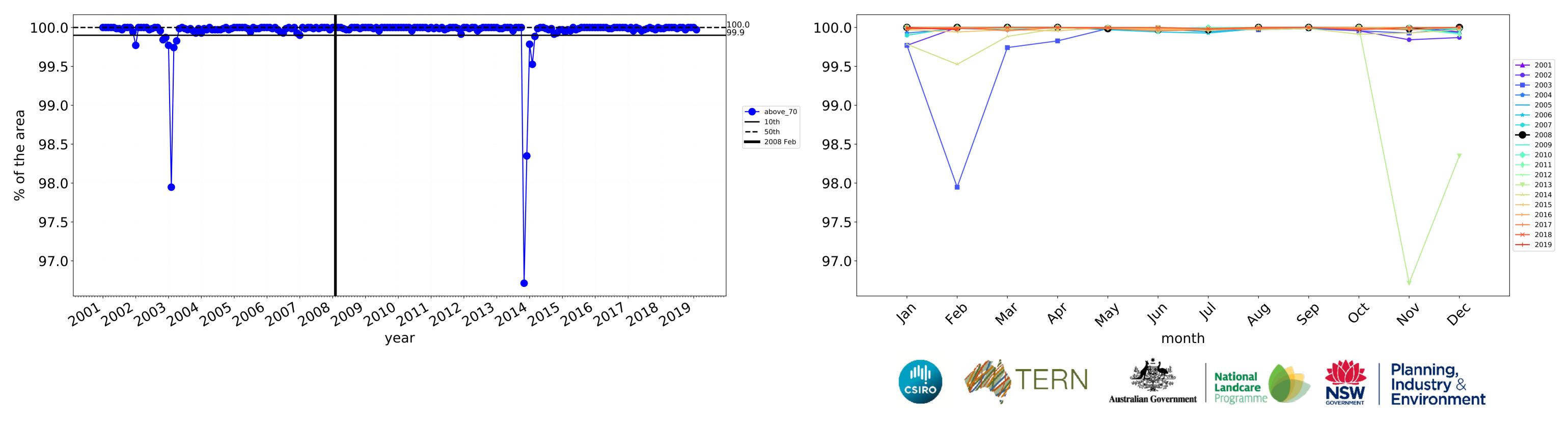
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





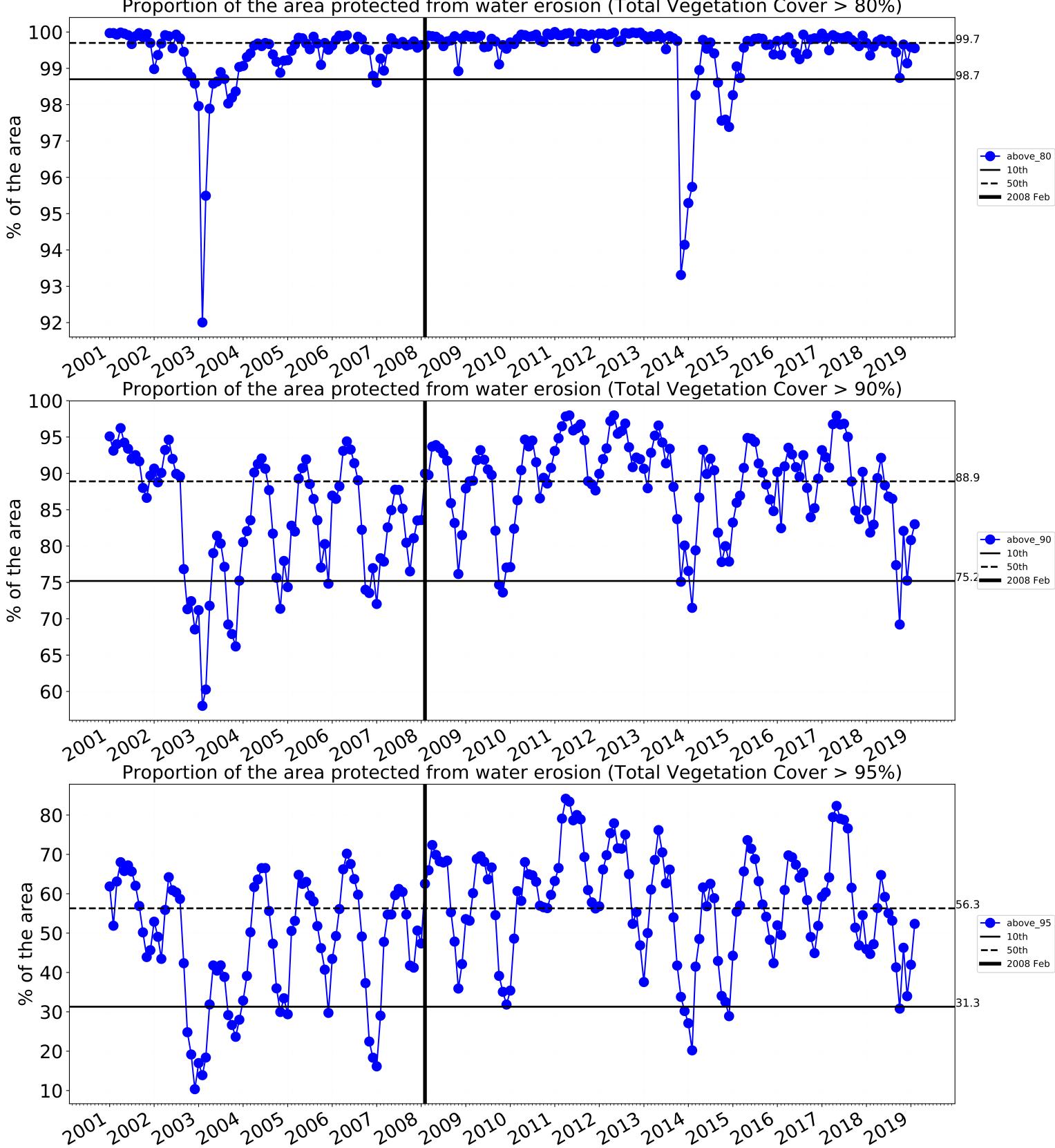


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

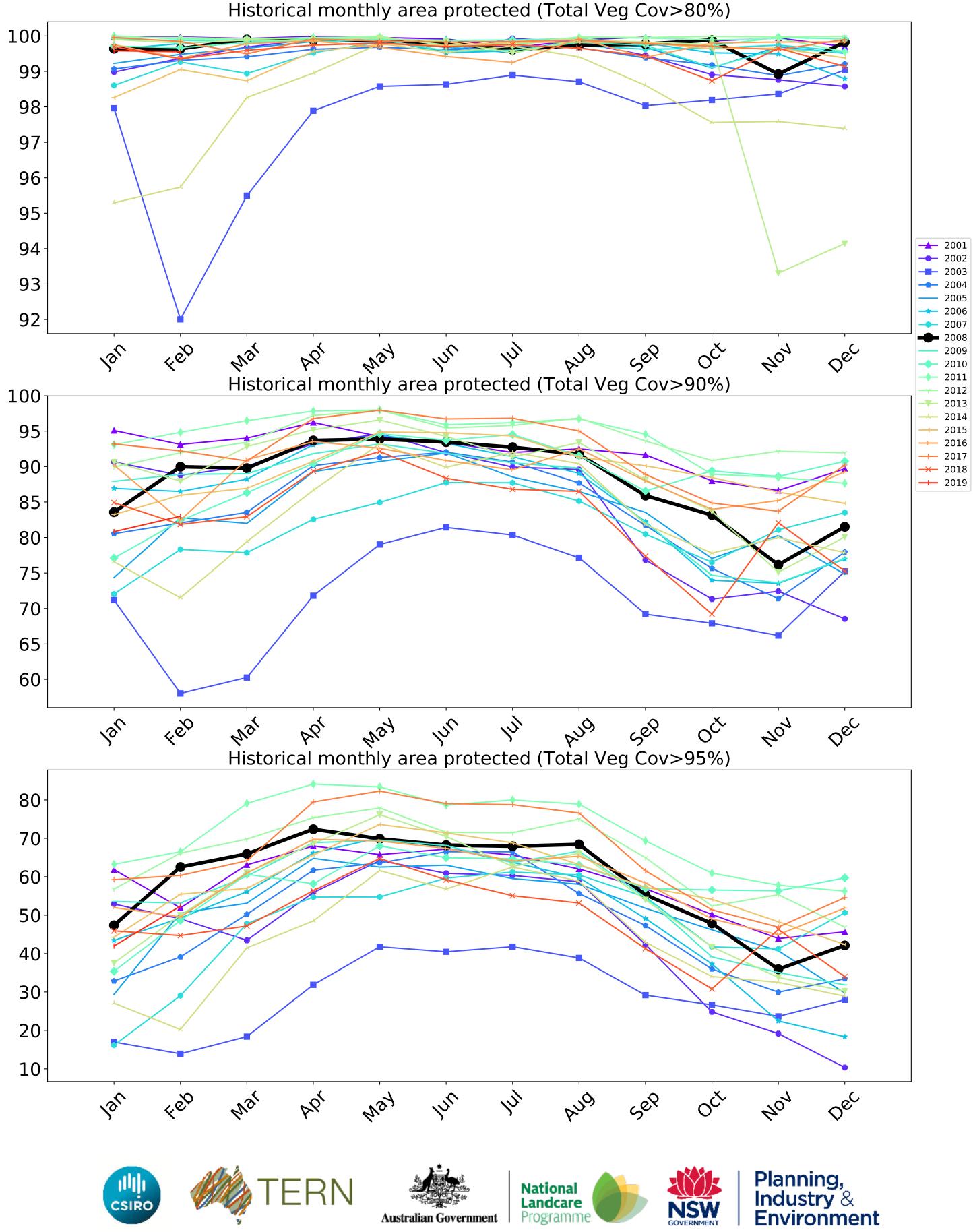


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

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



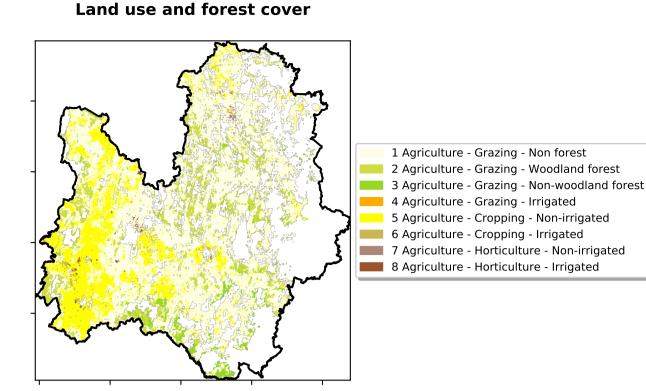




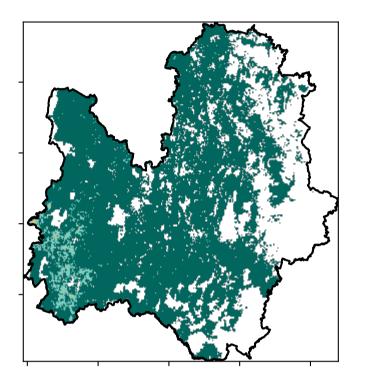


Agriculture

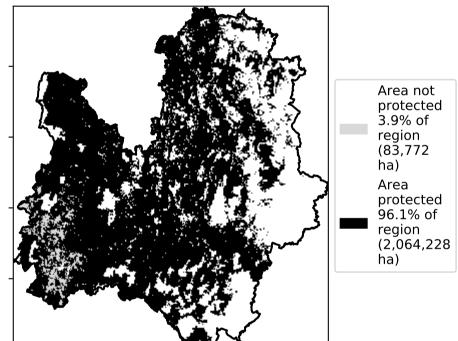
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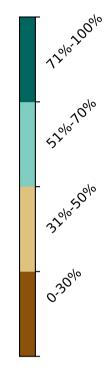


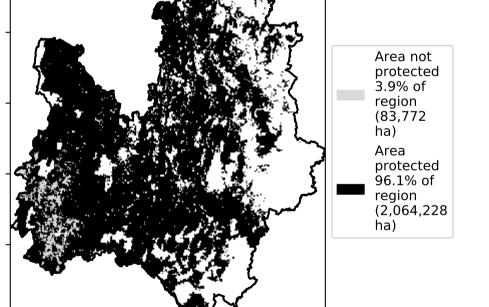
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



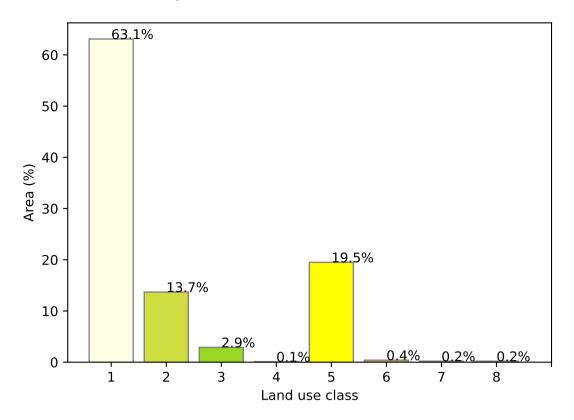
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



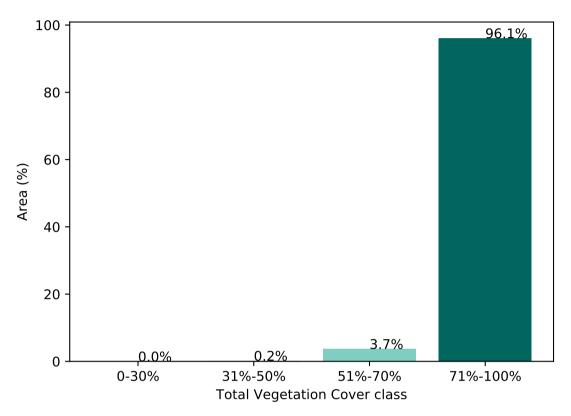




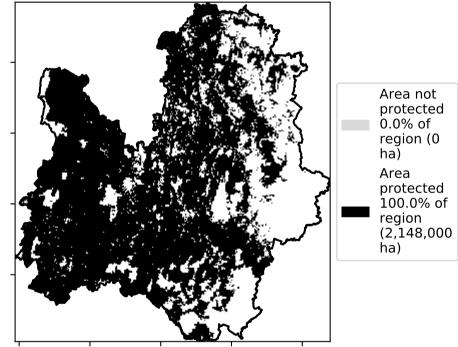
Proportion of each land class in area



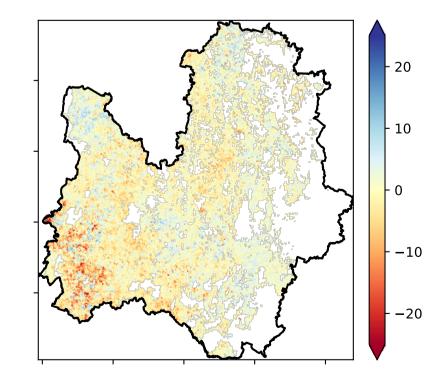
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

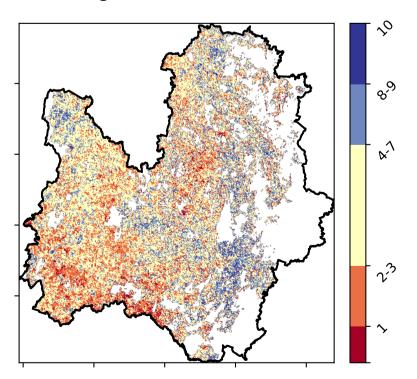


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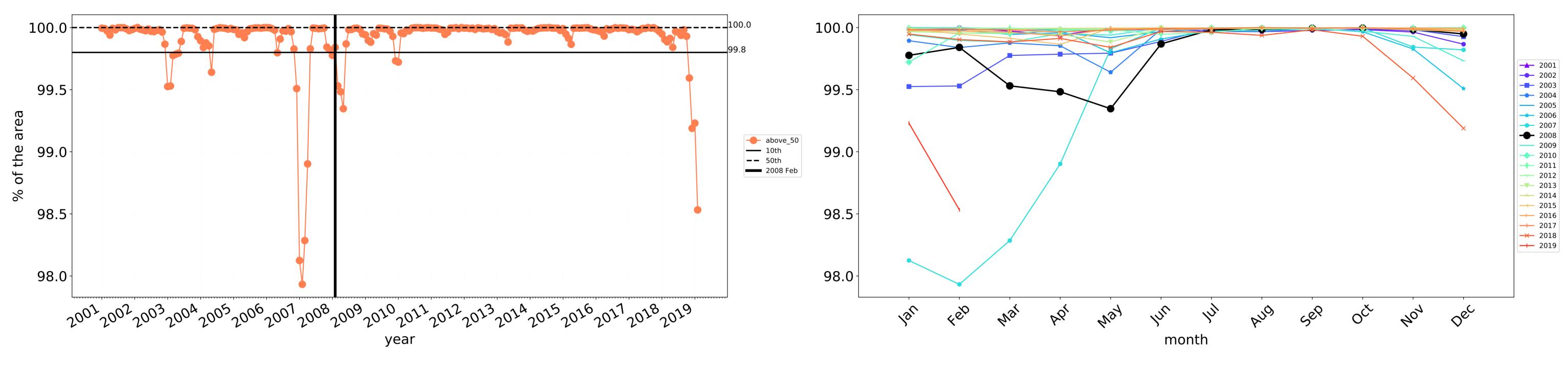


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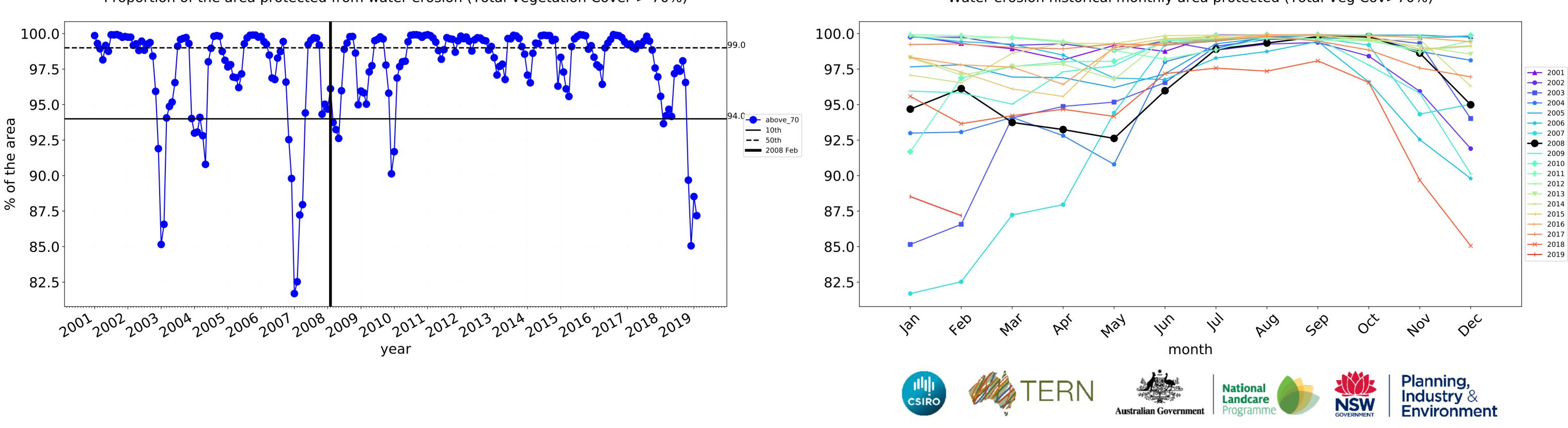






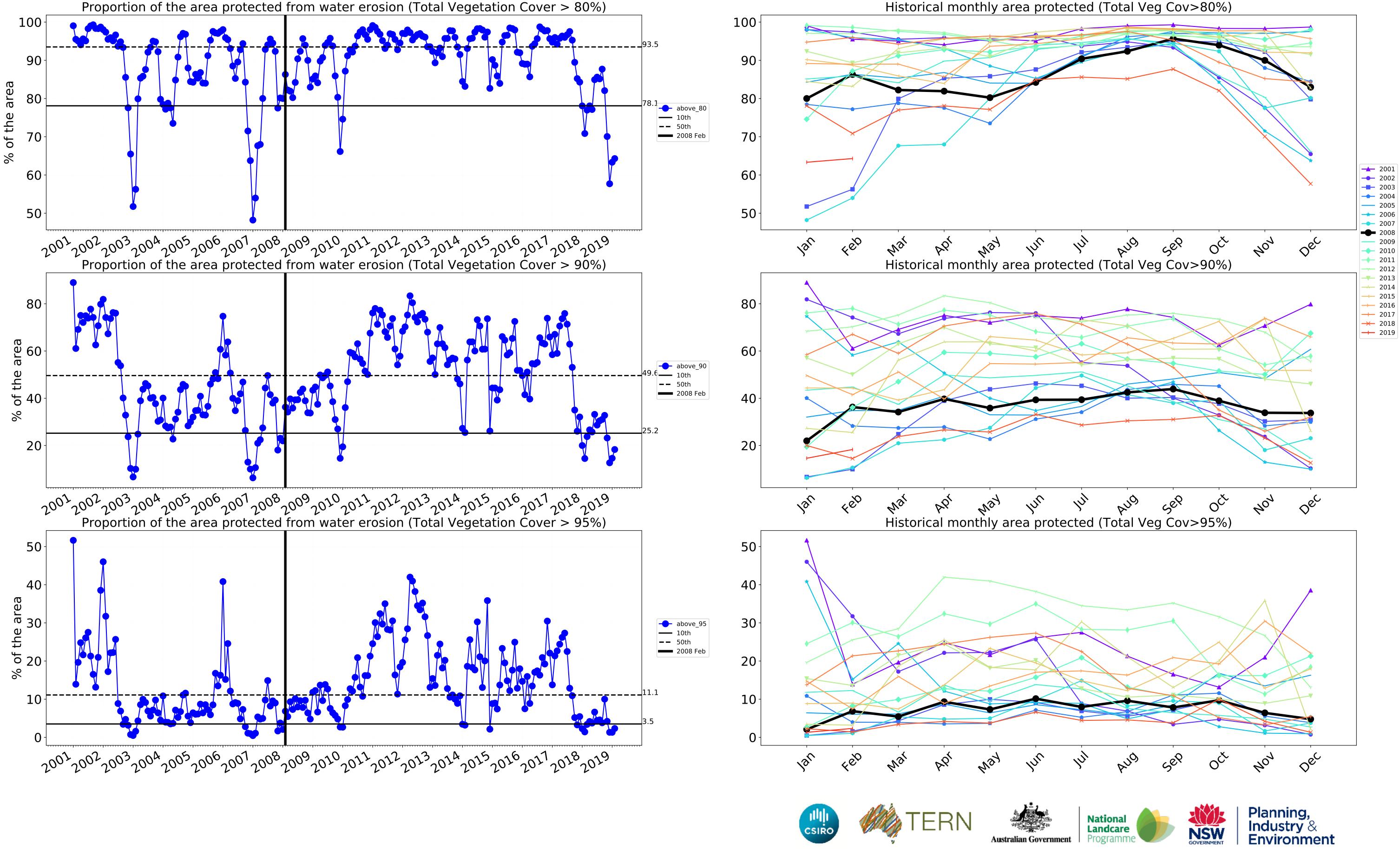
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



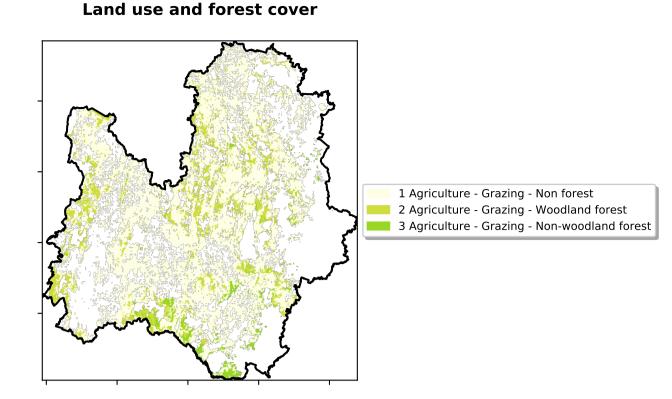
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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



Grazing

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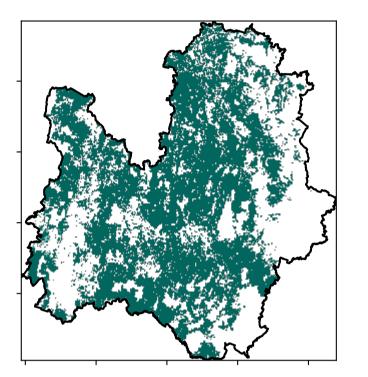
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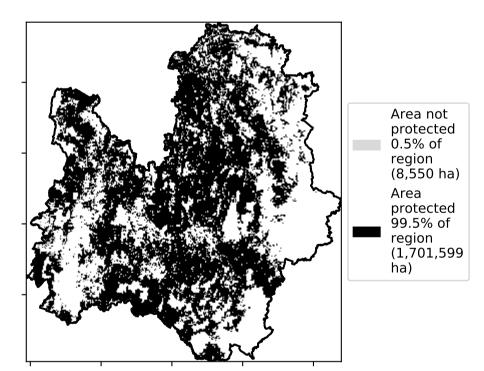
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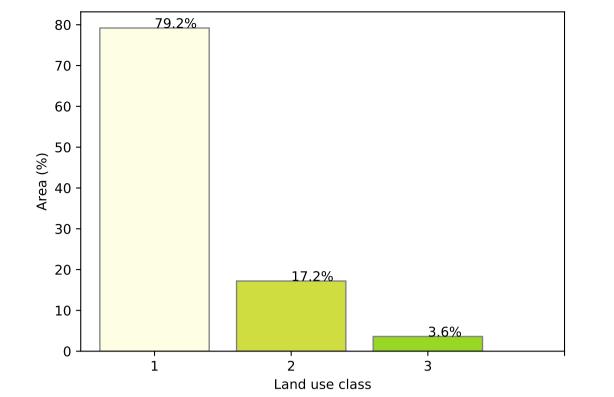
0-30%

Total Vegetation Cover [%]



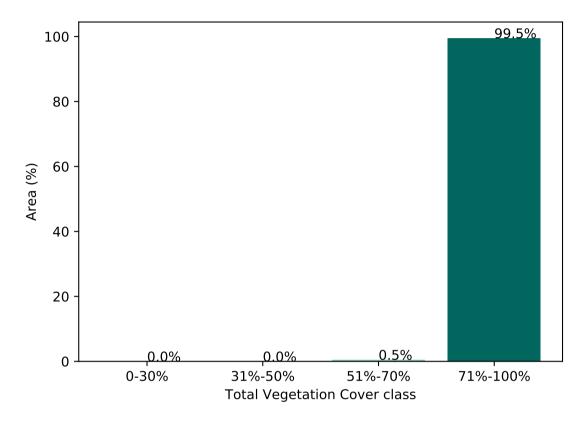
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



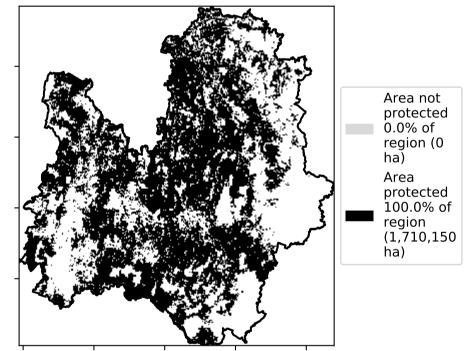


Proportion of each land class in area

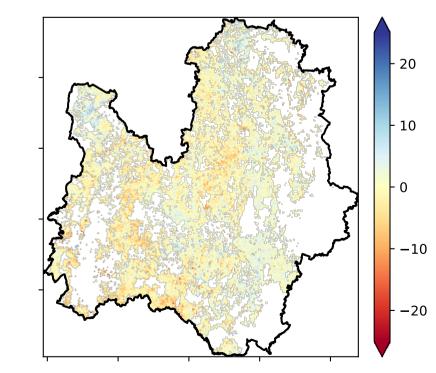
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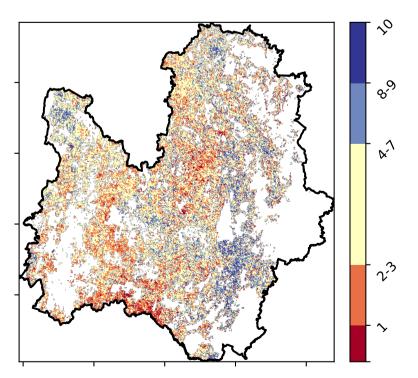


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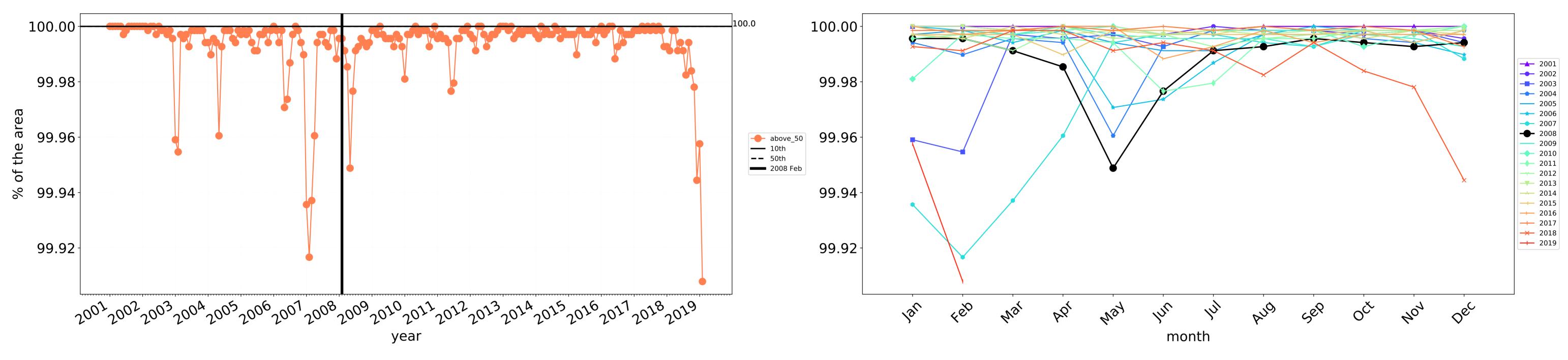


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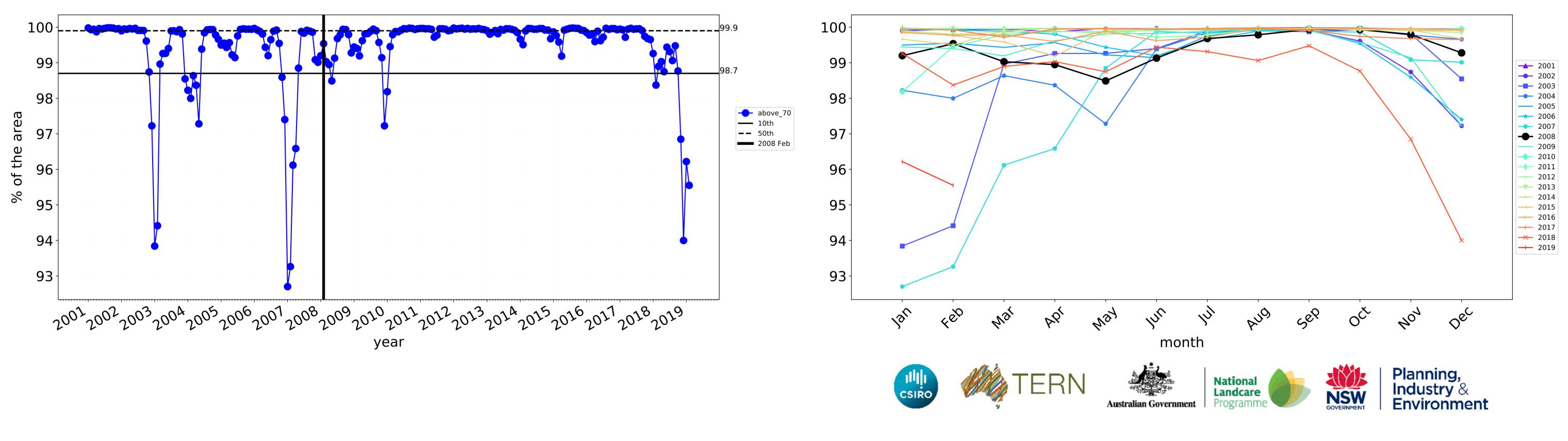
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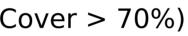




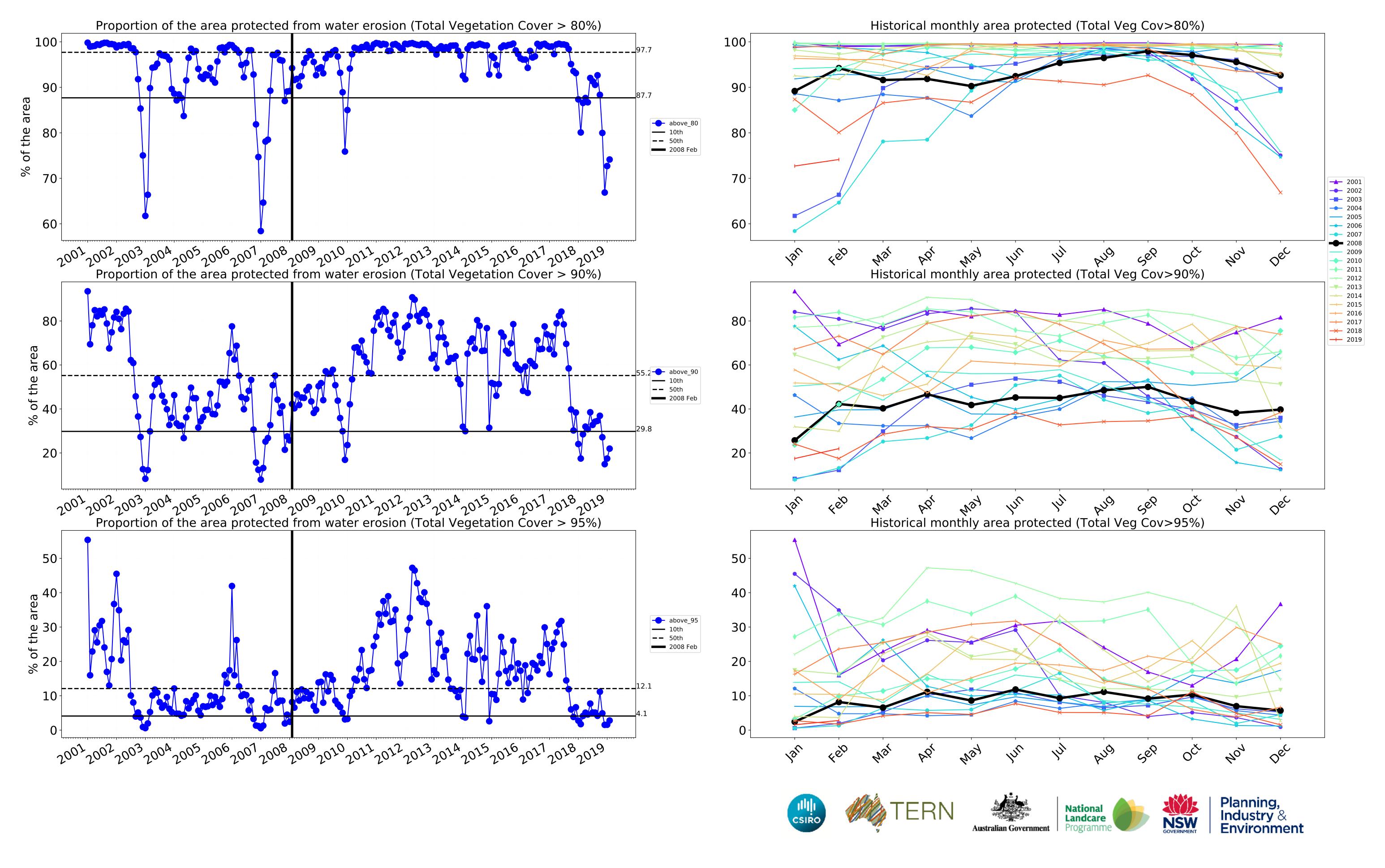
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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



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



Grazing non forest

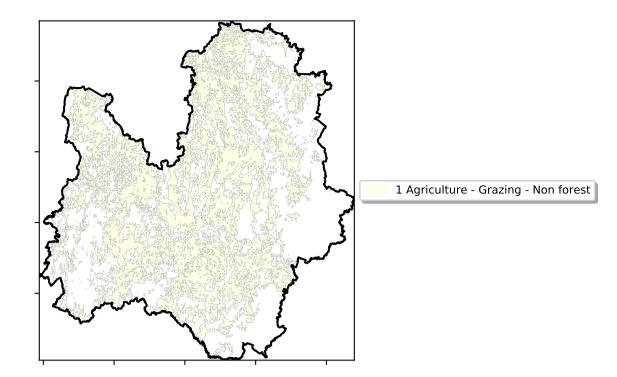
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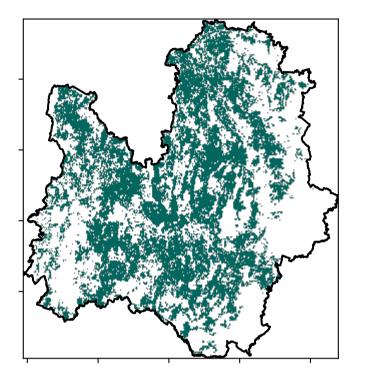
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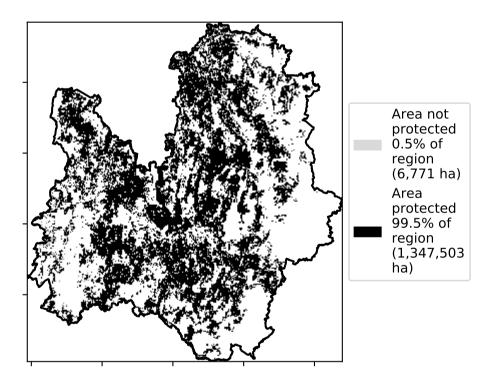
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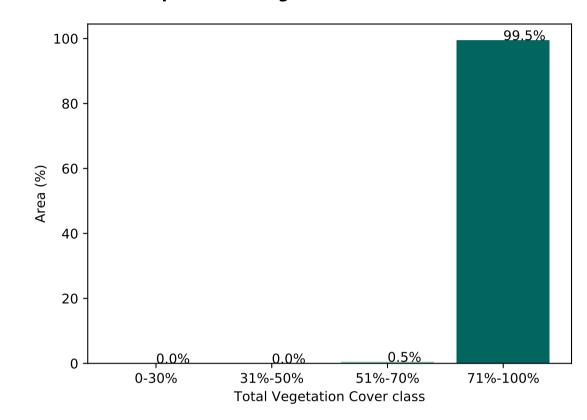
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



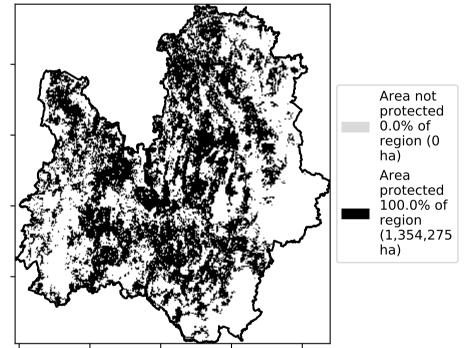
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

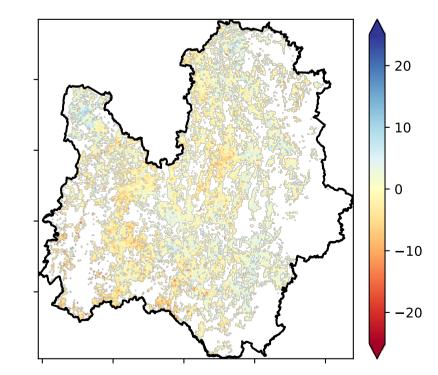


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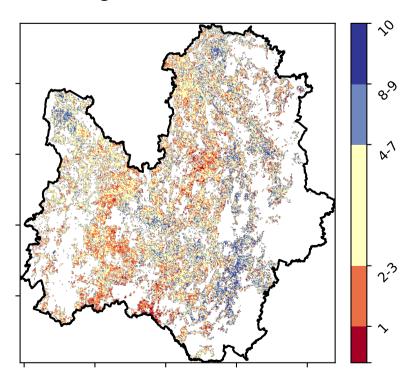
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



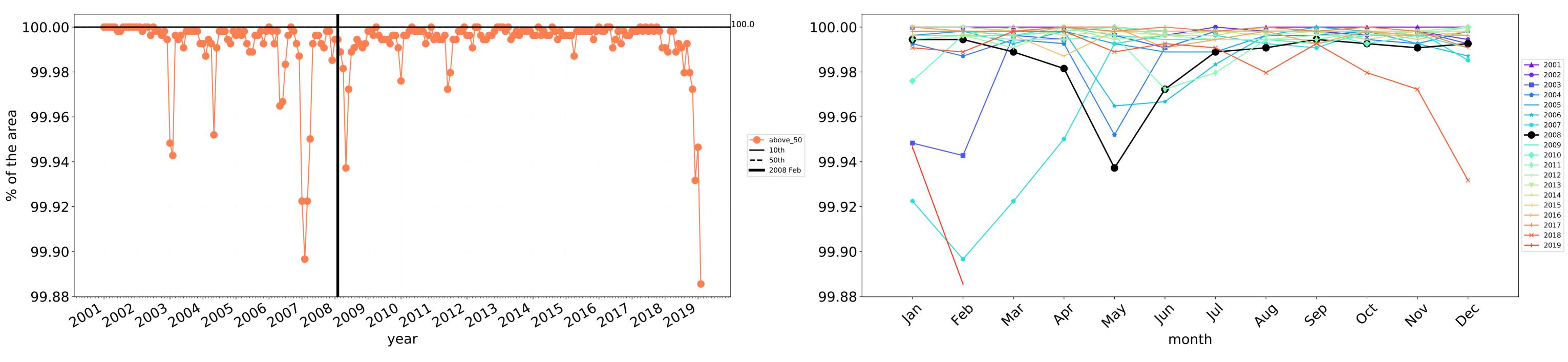
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



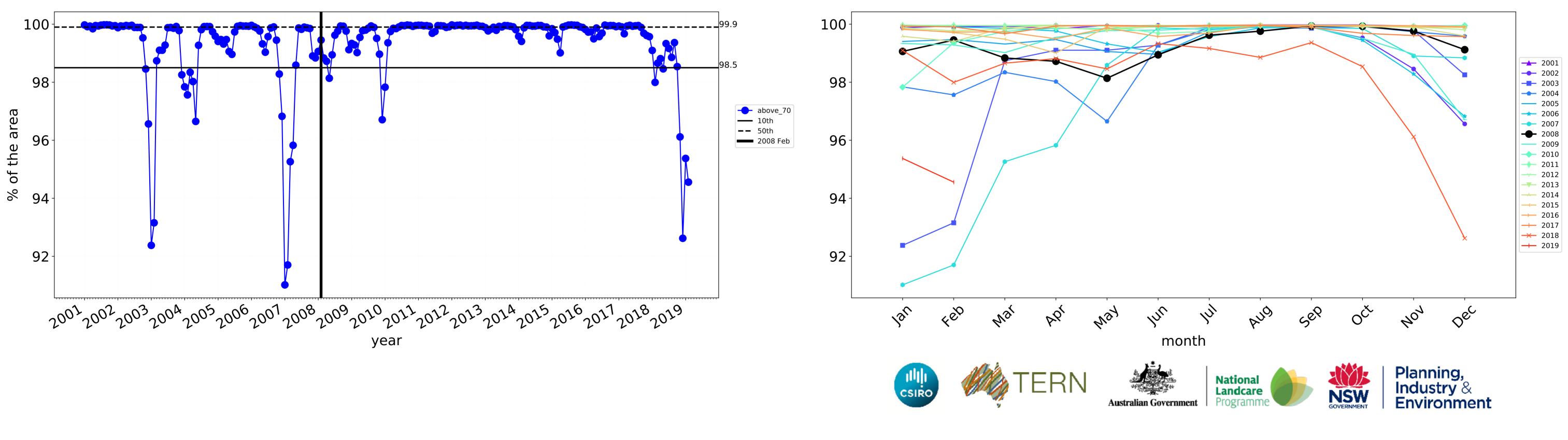






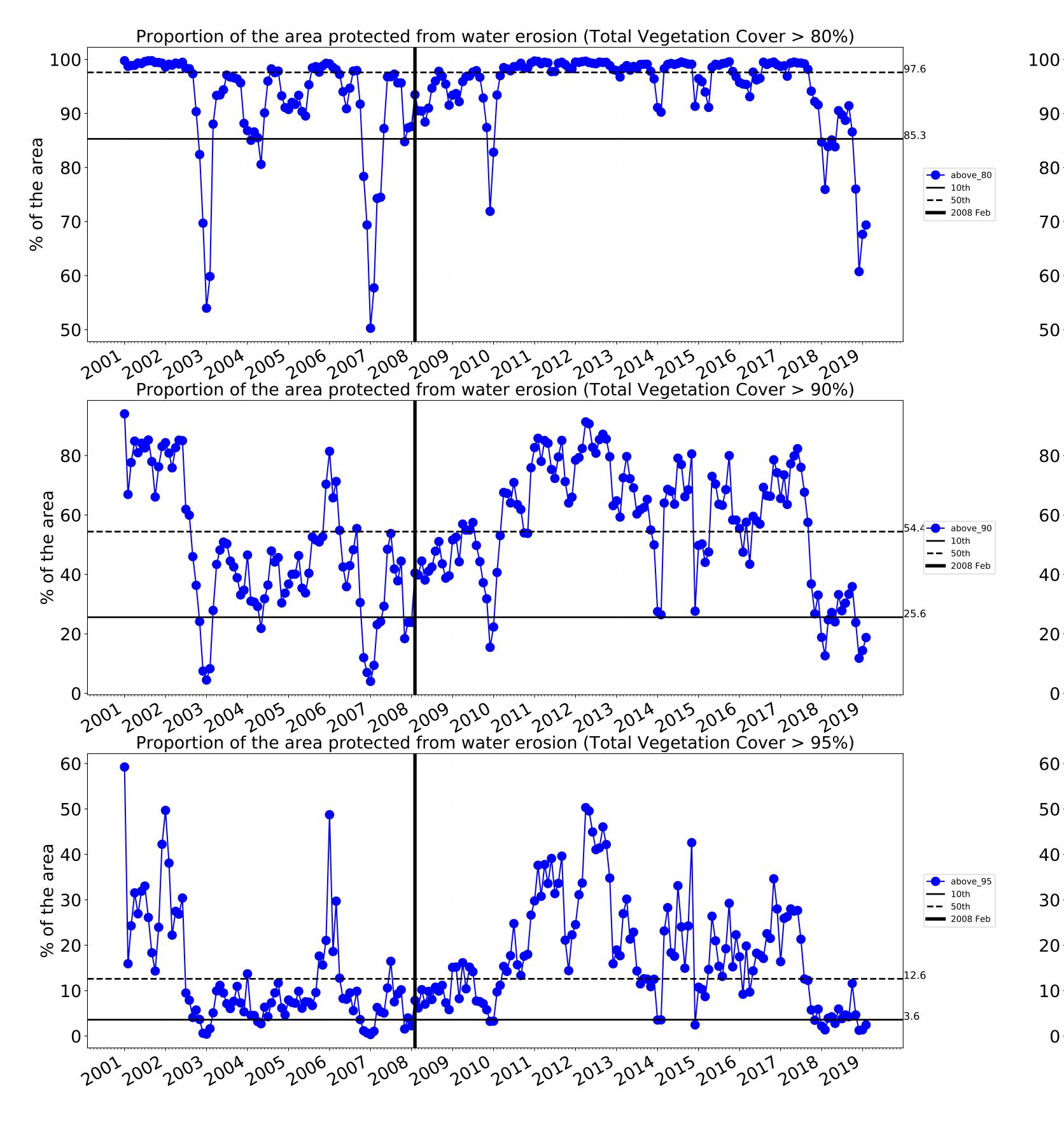
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

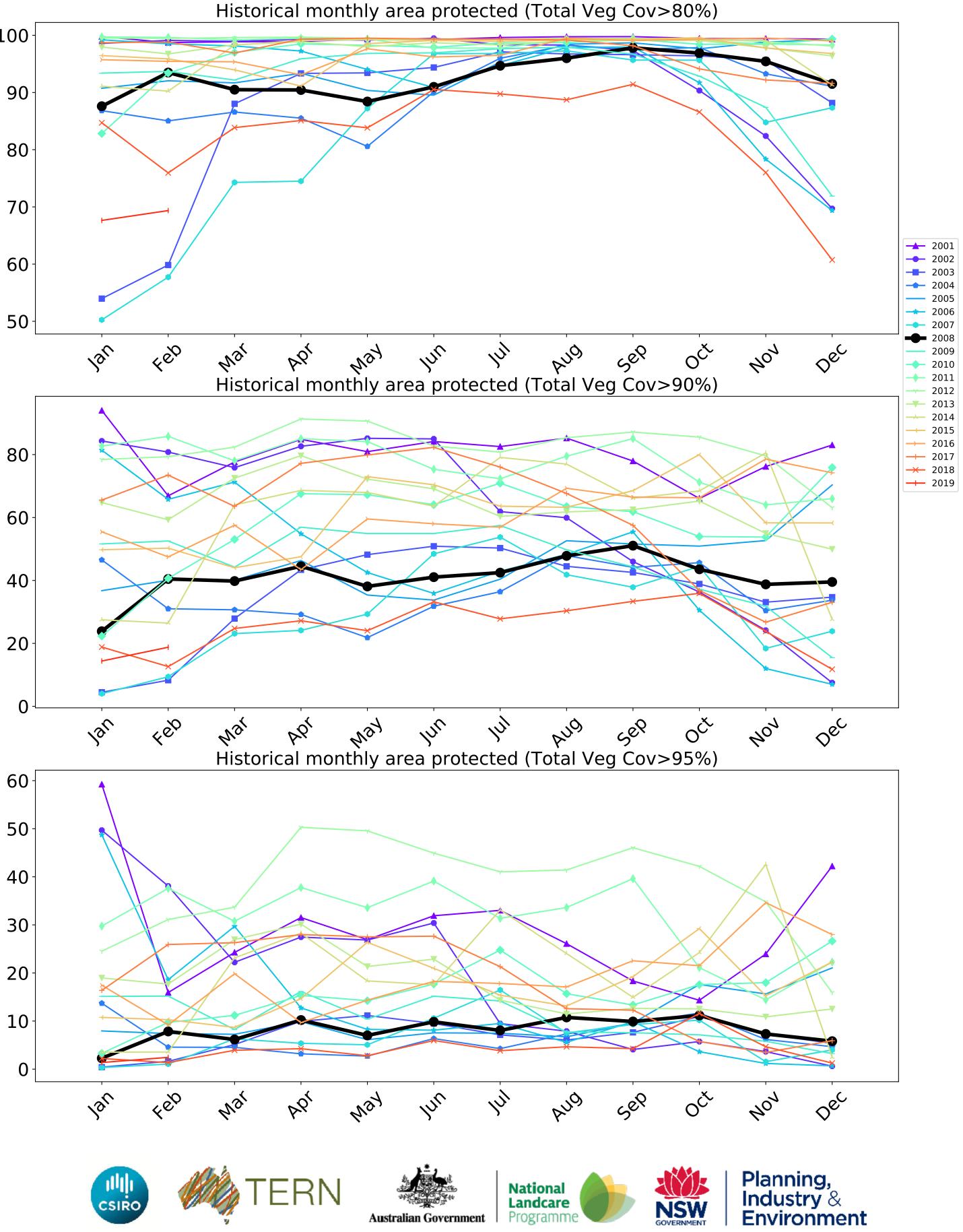
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

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







Grazing Woodland forest

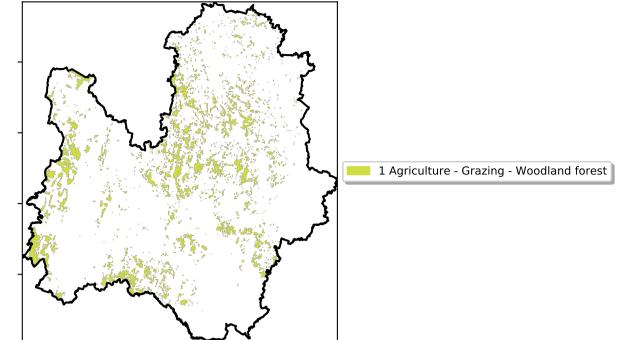
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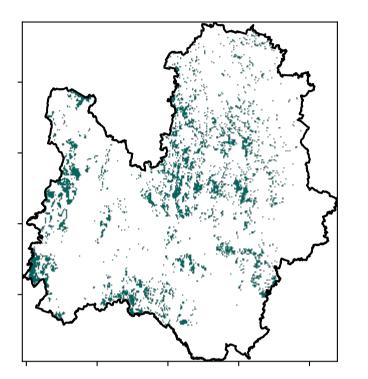
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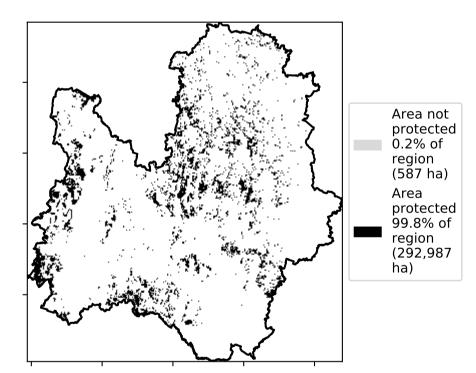
Land use and forest cover



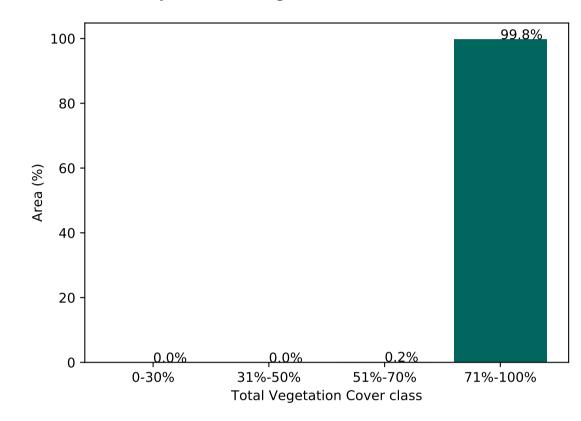
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



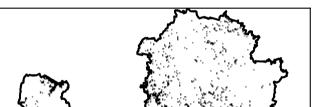
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

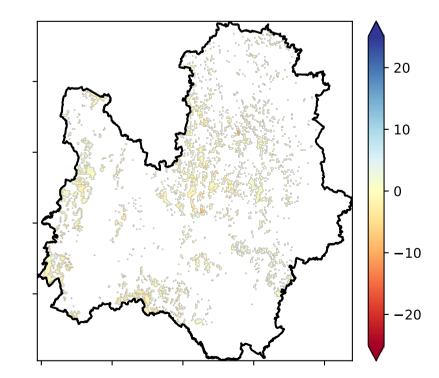


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

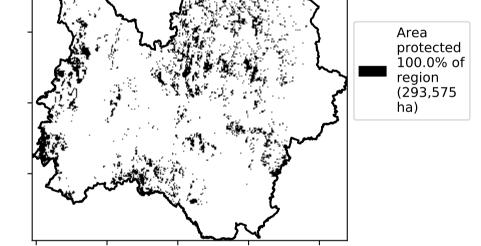




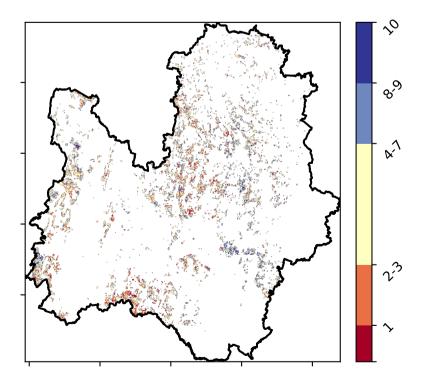
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



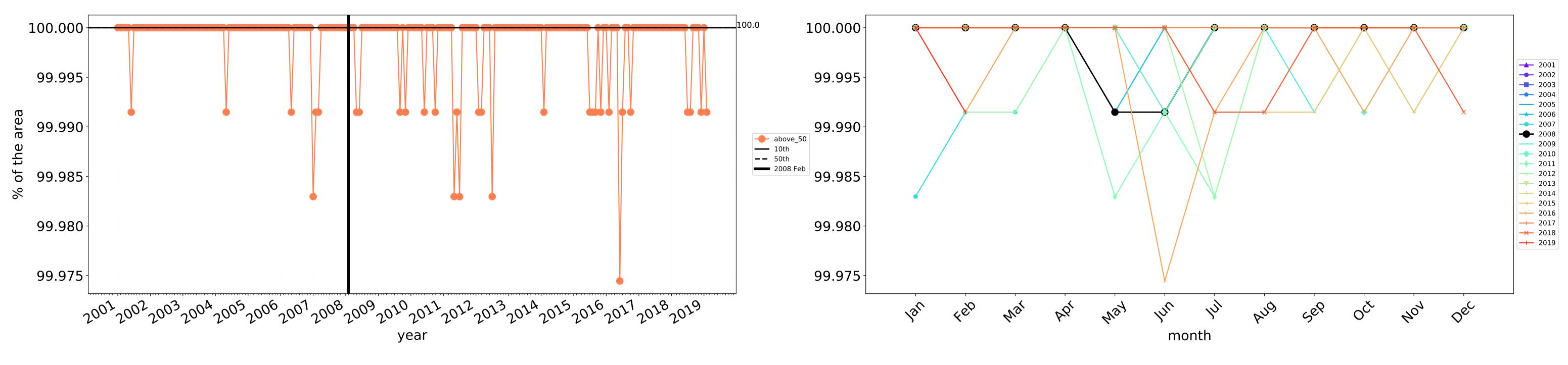
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

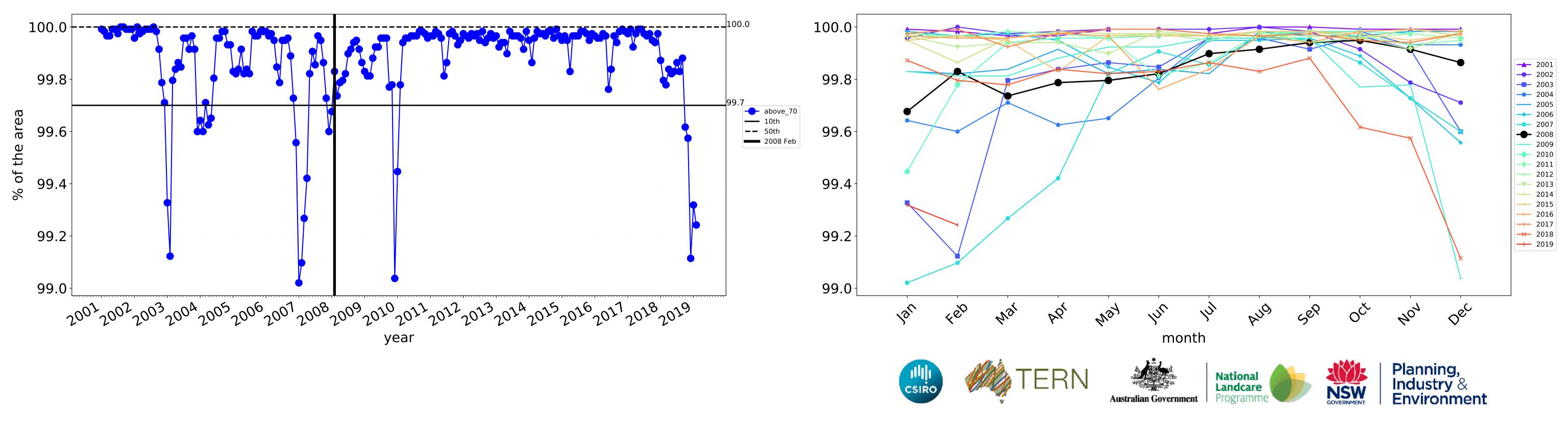






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

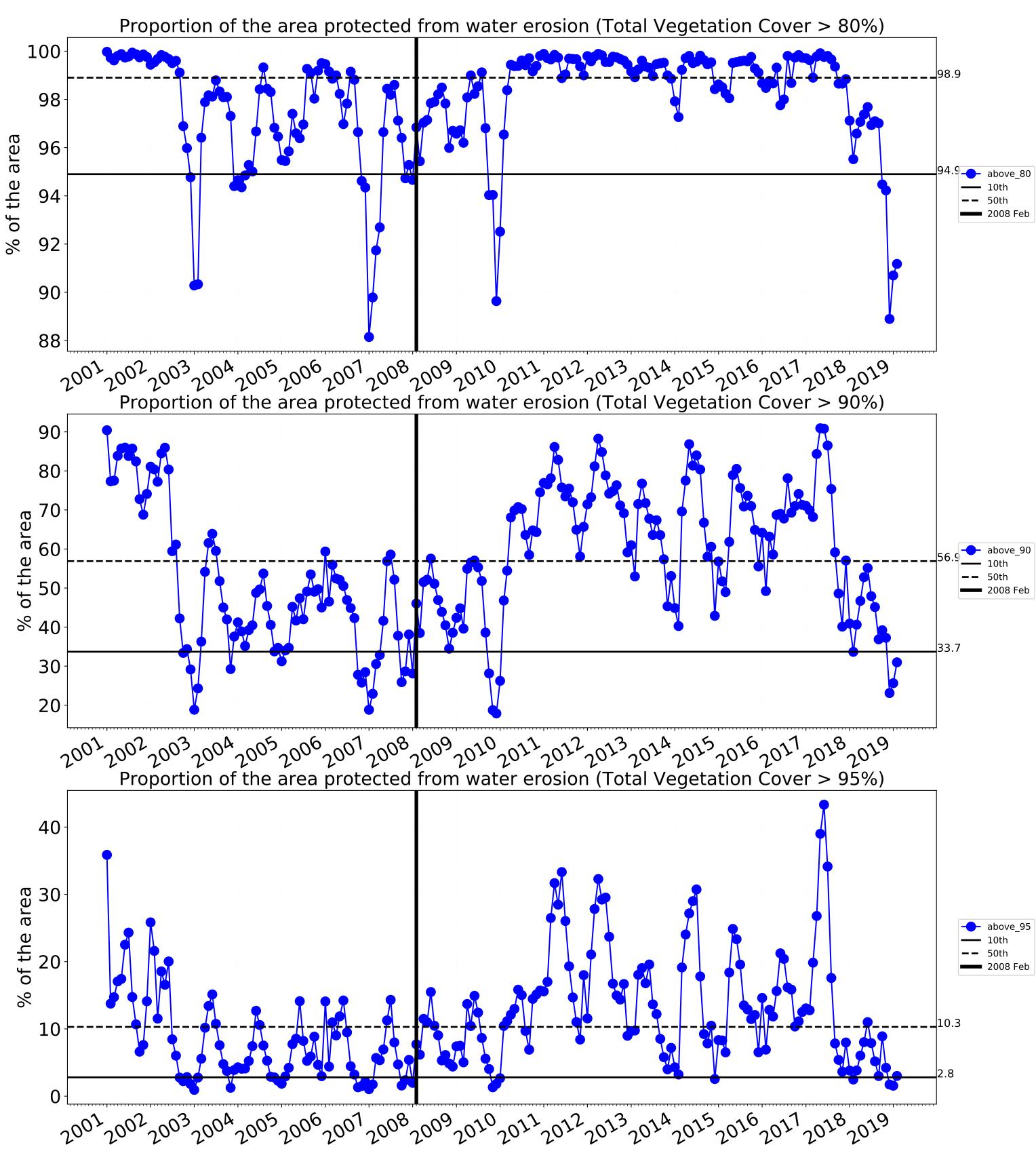
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

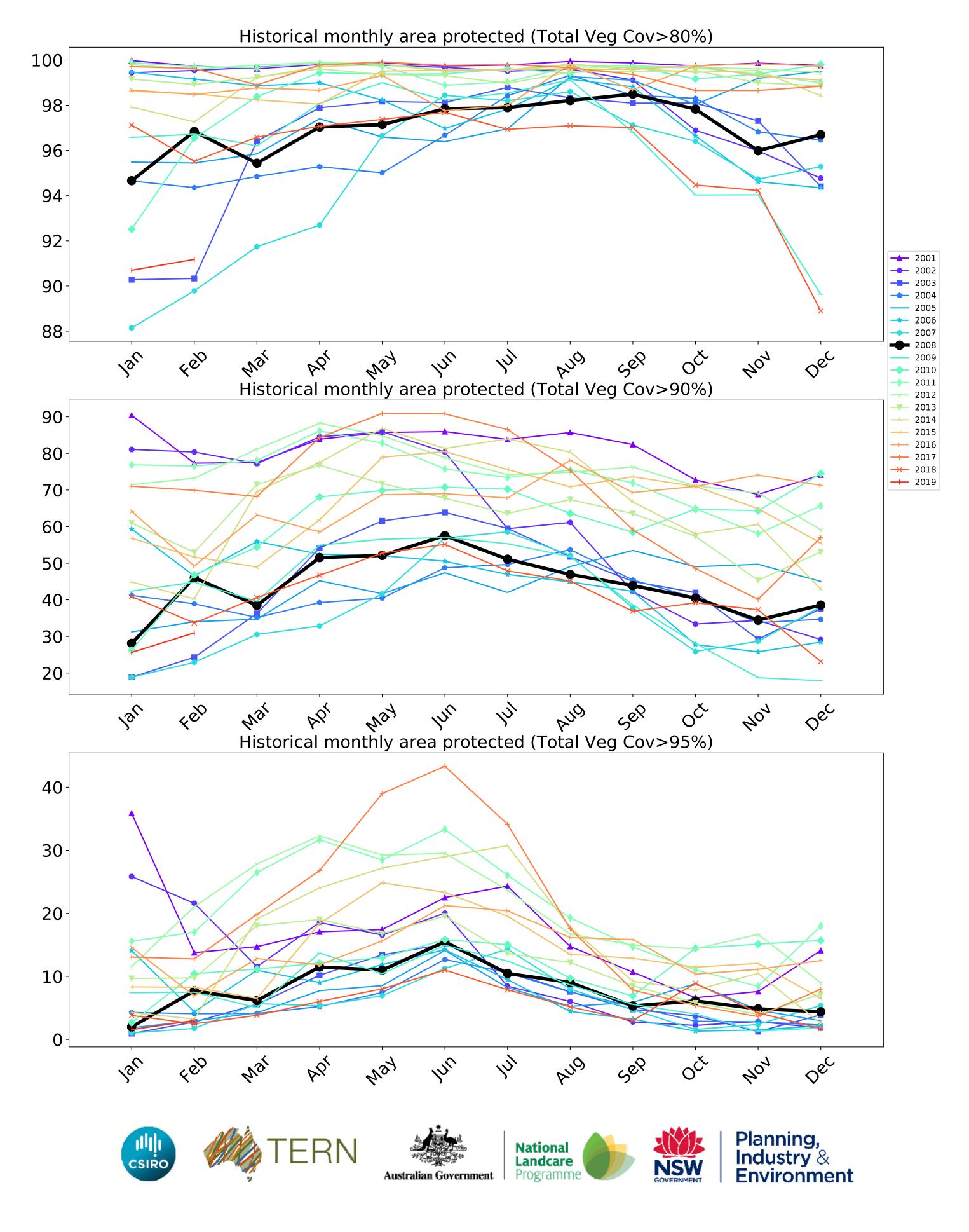


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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







Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

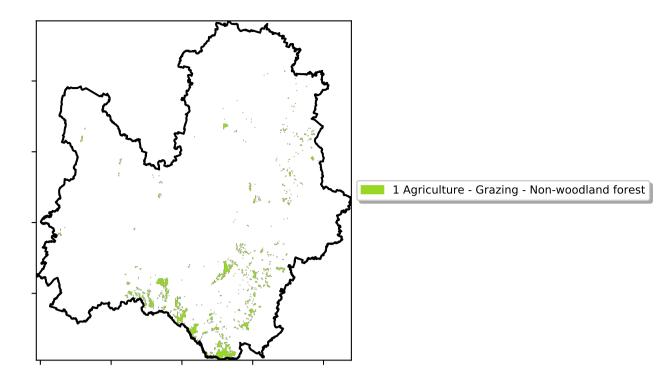
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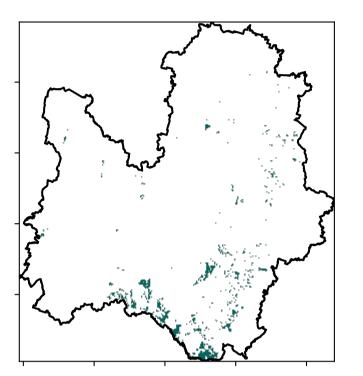
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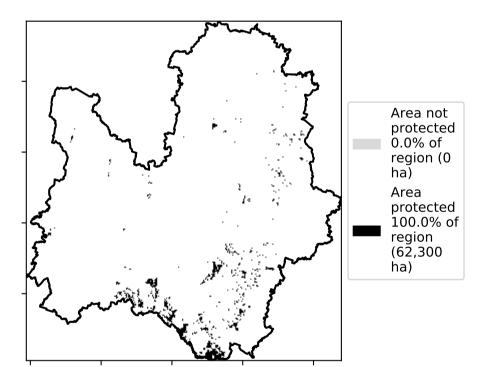
Land use and forest cover



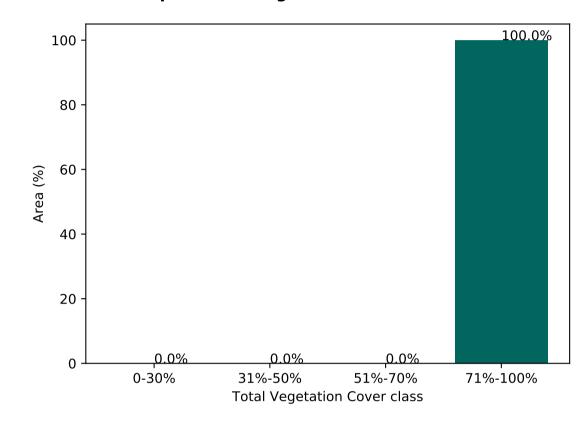
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



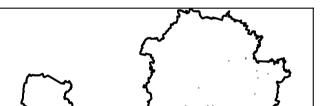




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

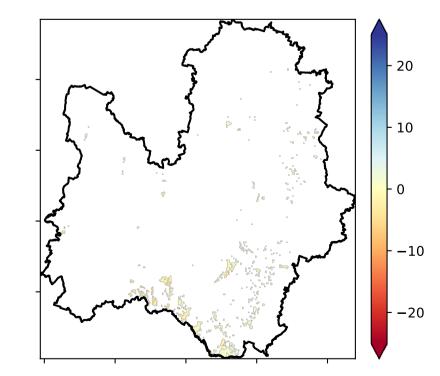


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

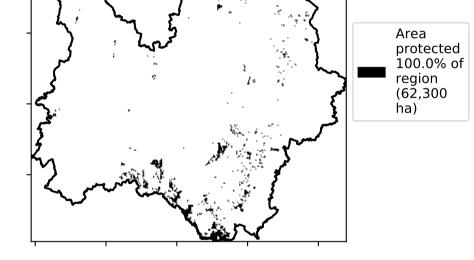


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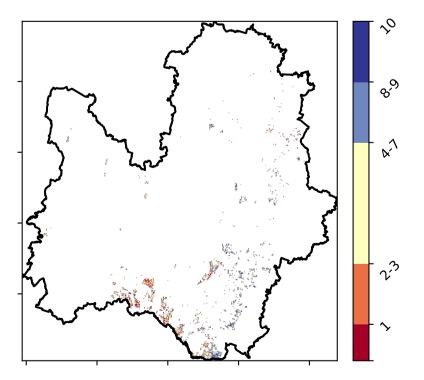
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



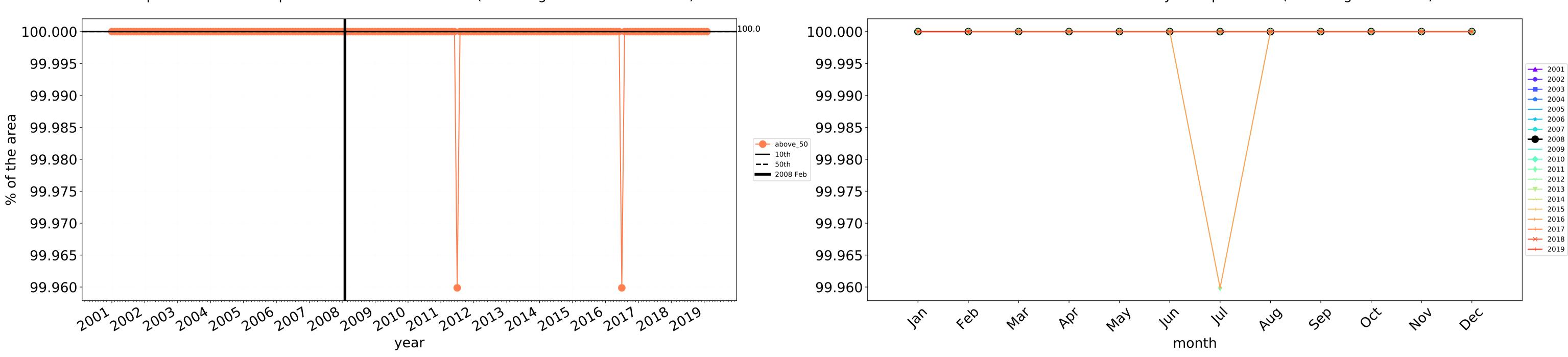
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

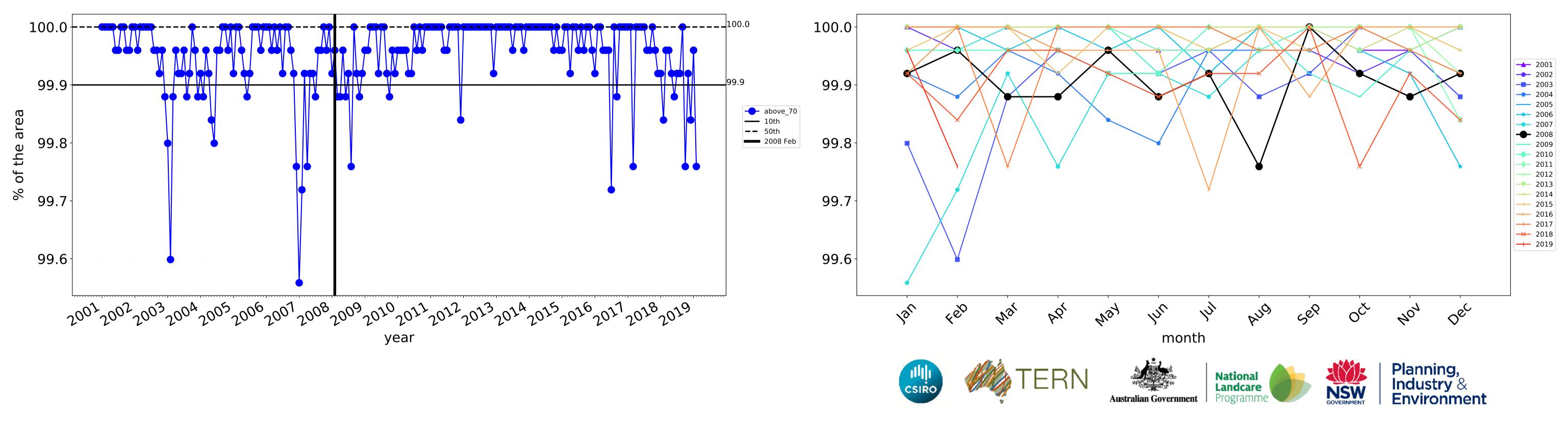






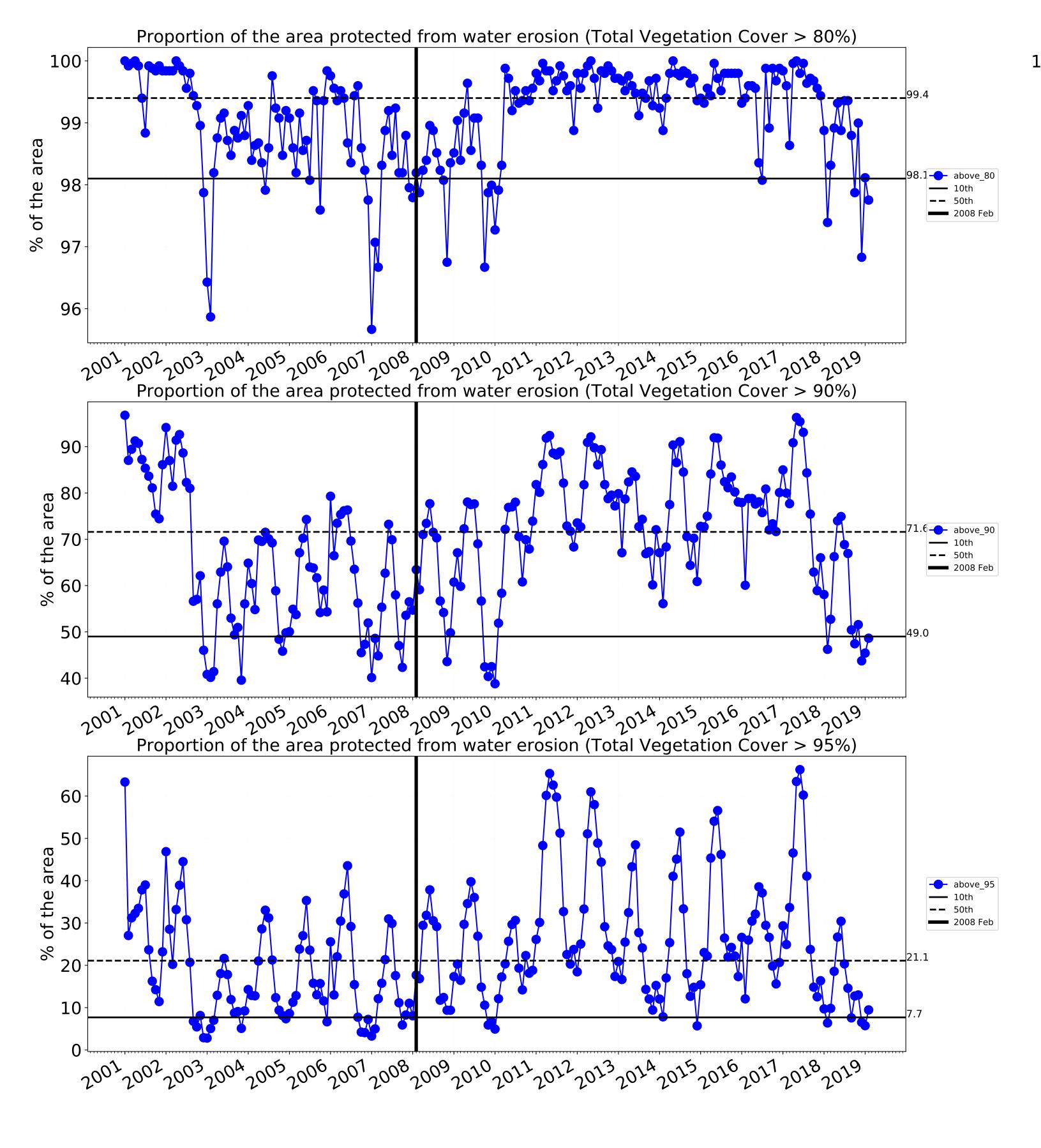
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

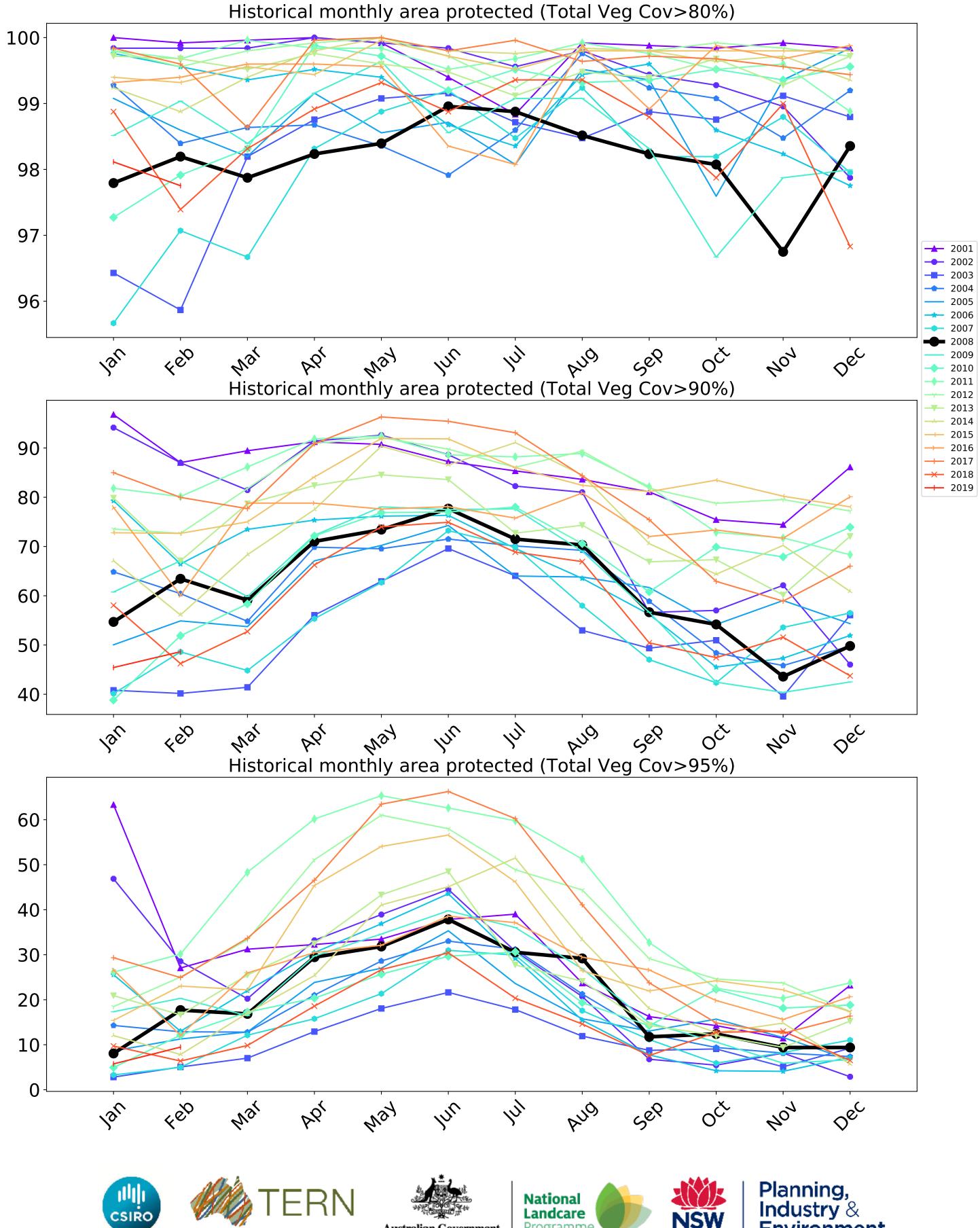
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

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



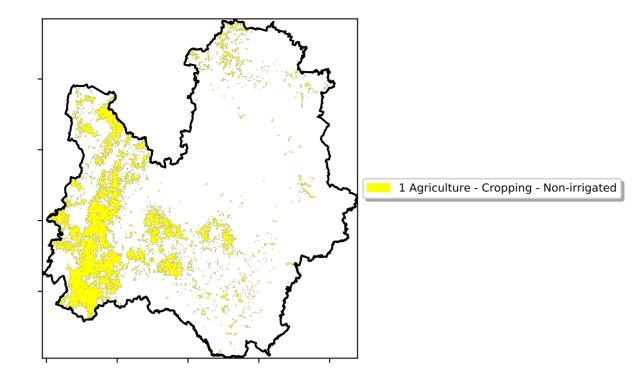


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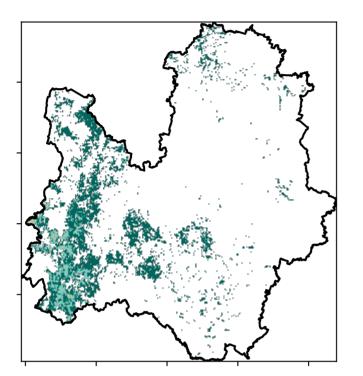
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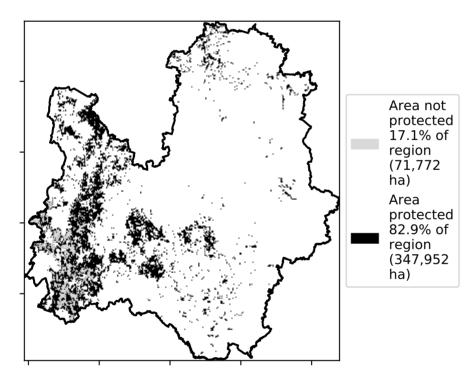
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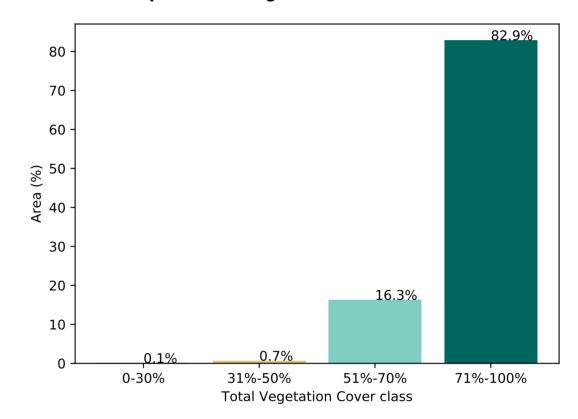
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



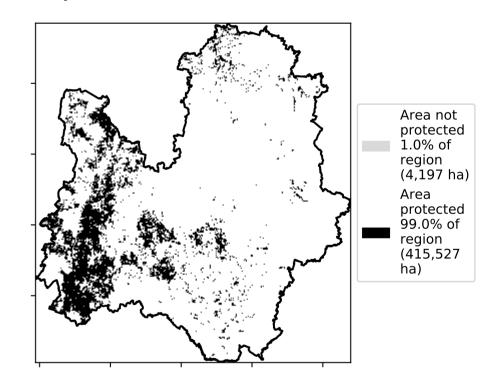




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

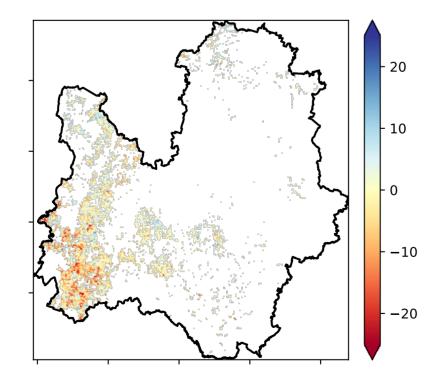


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

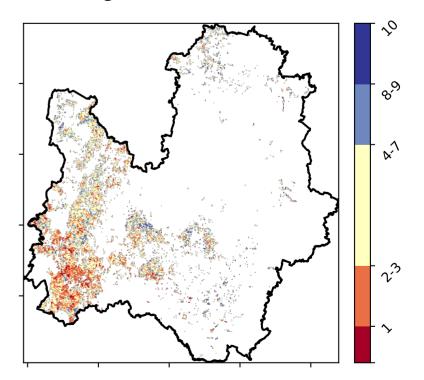


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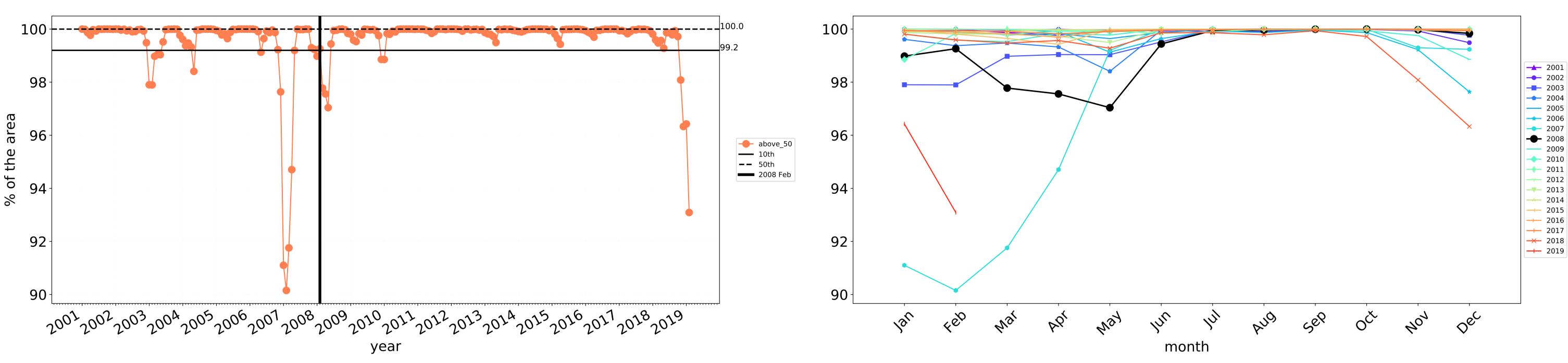
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



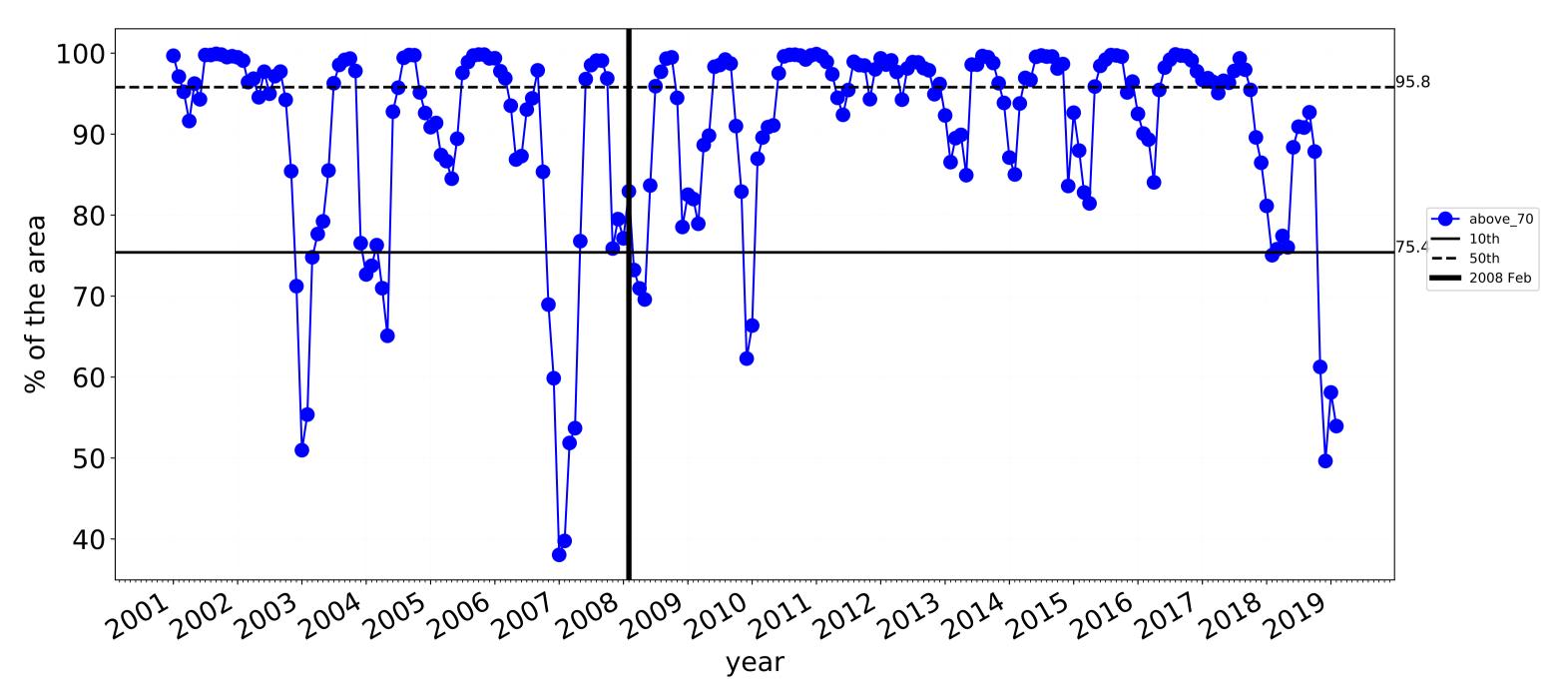
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

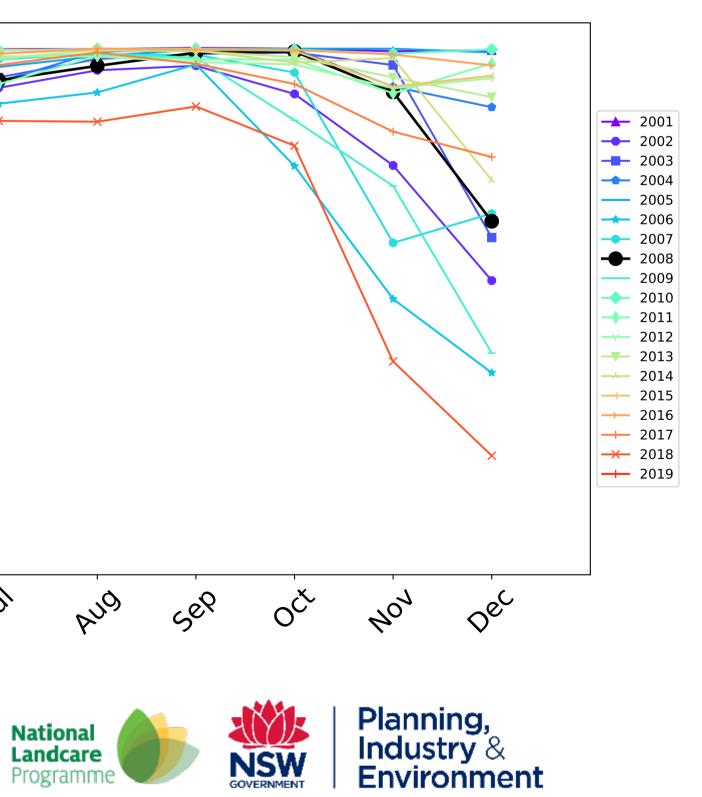


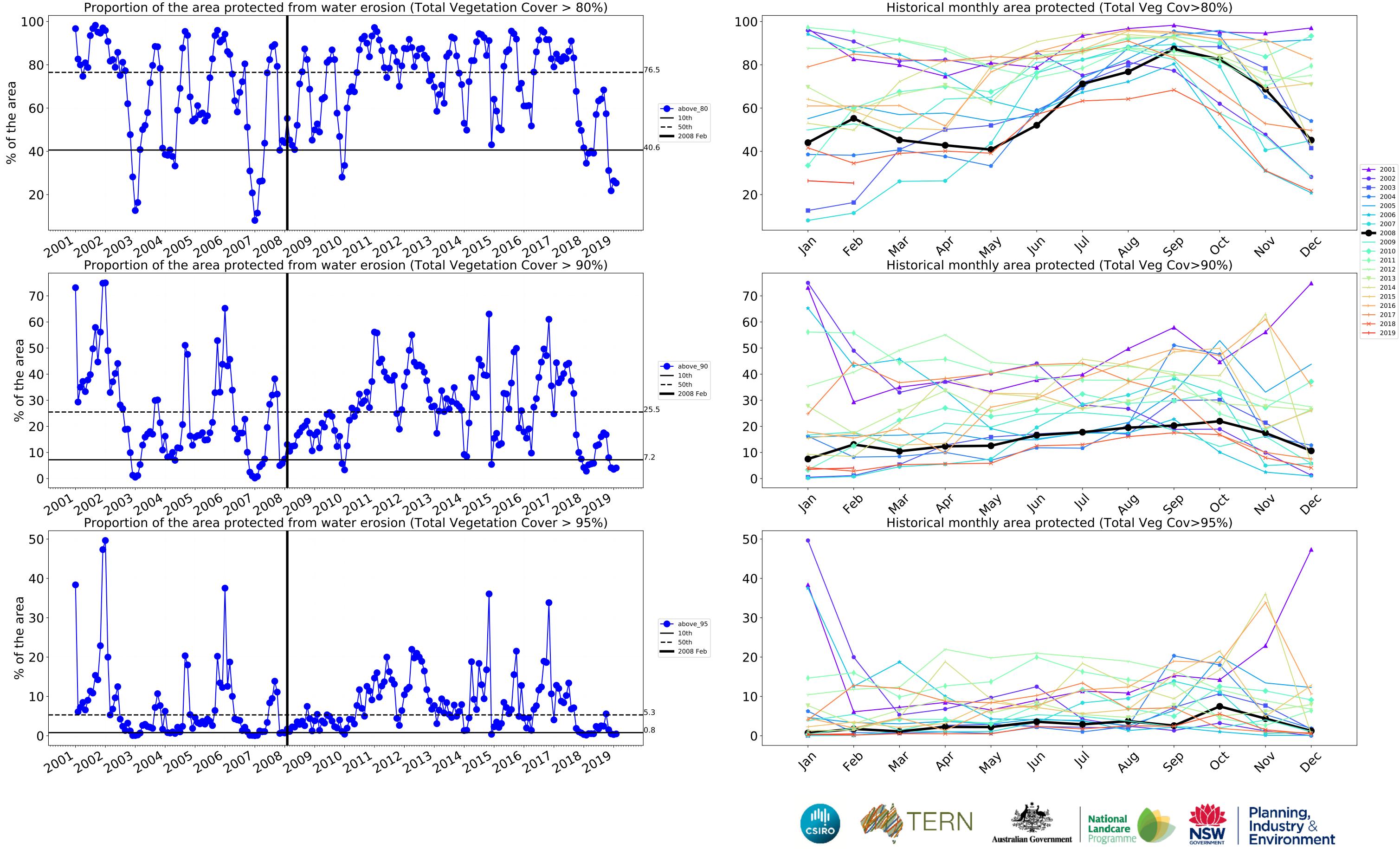
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Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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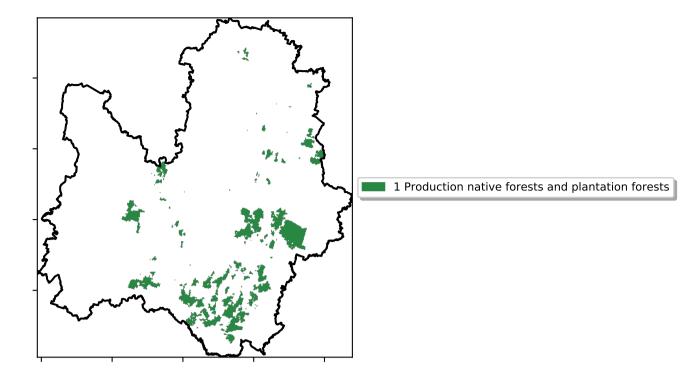
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



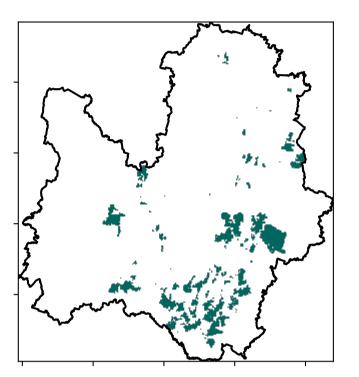


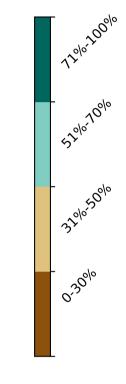
Production native forests and plantation forests

Land use and forest cover

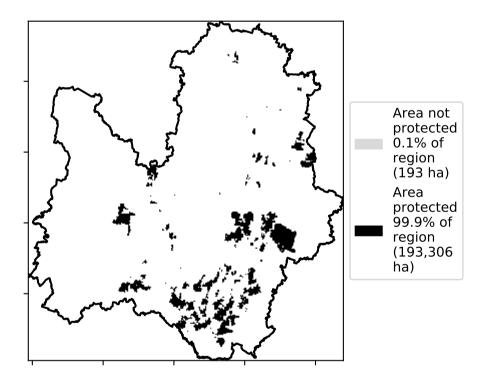


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

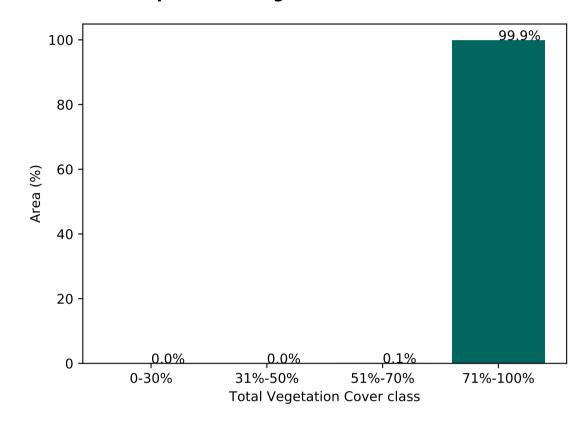




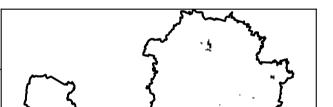
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



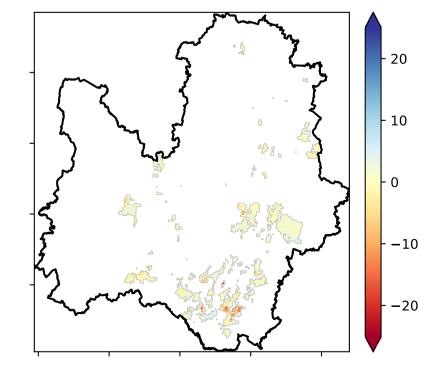
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



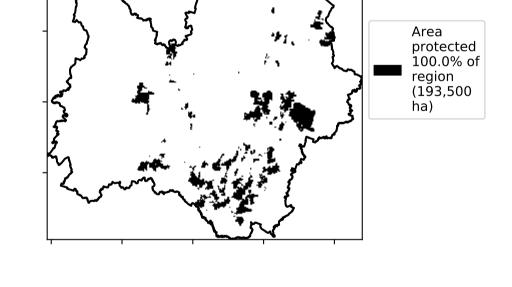
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

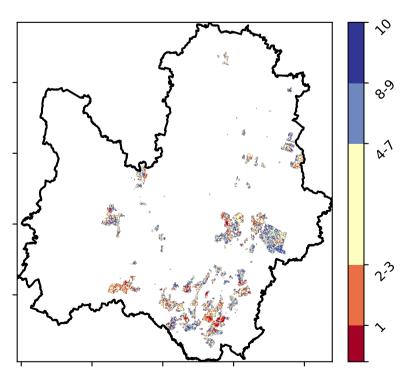
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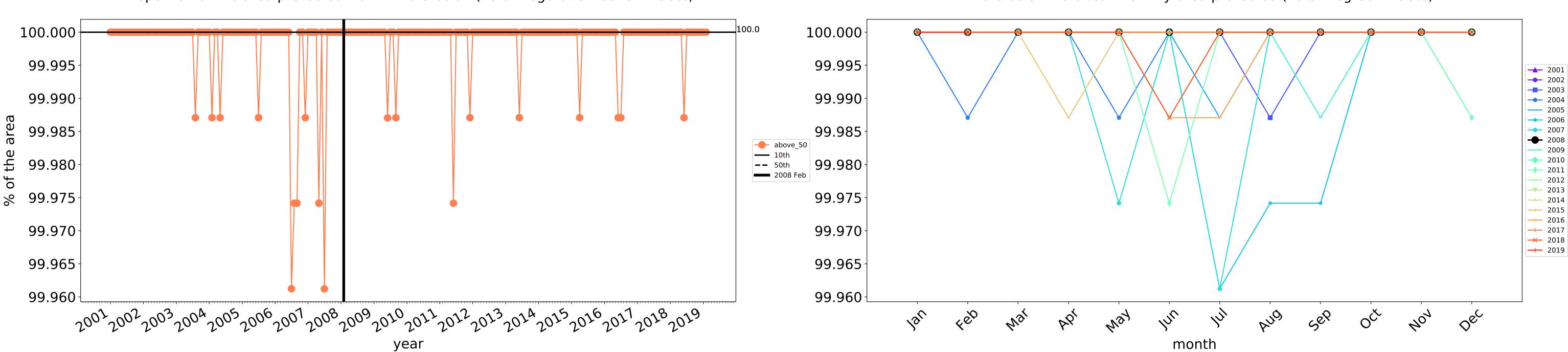
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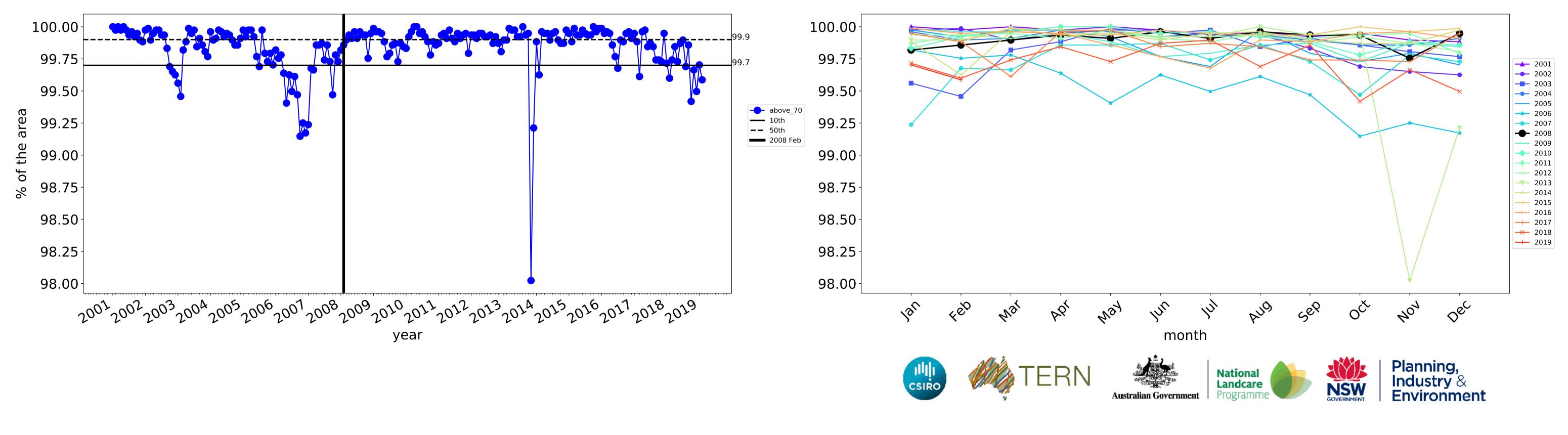
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





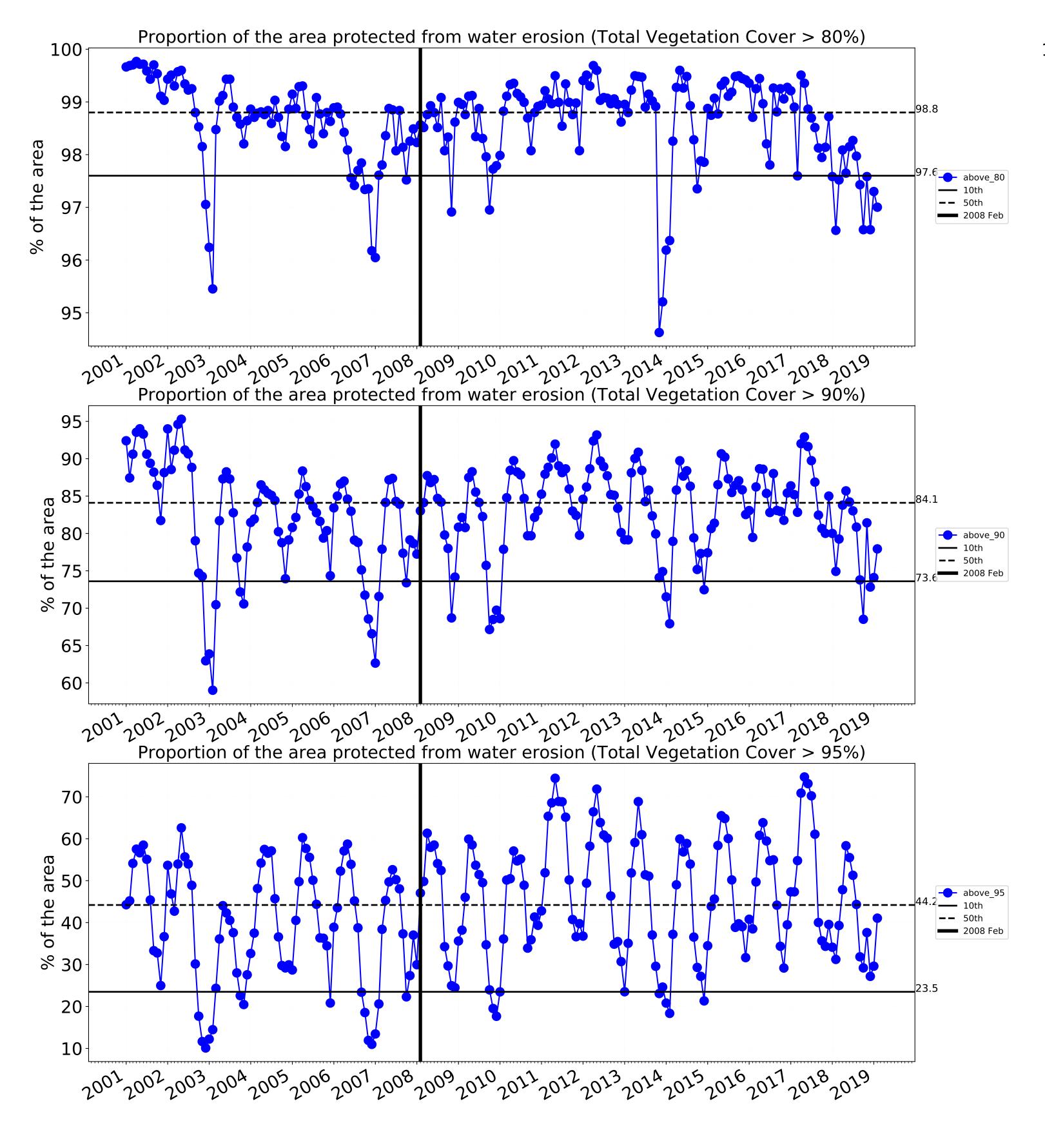


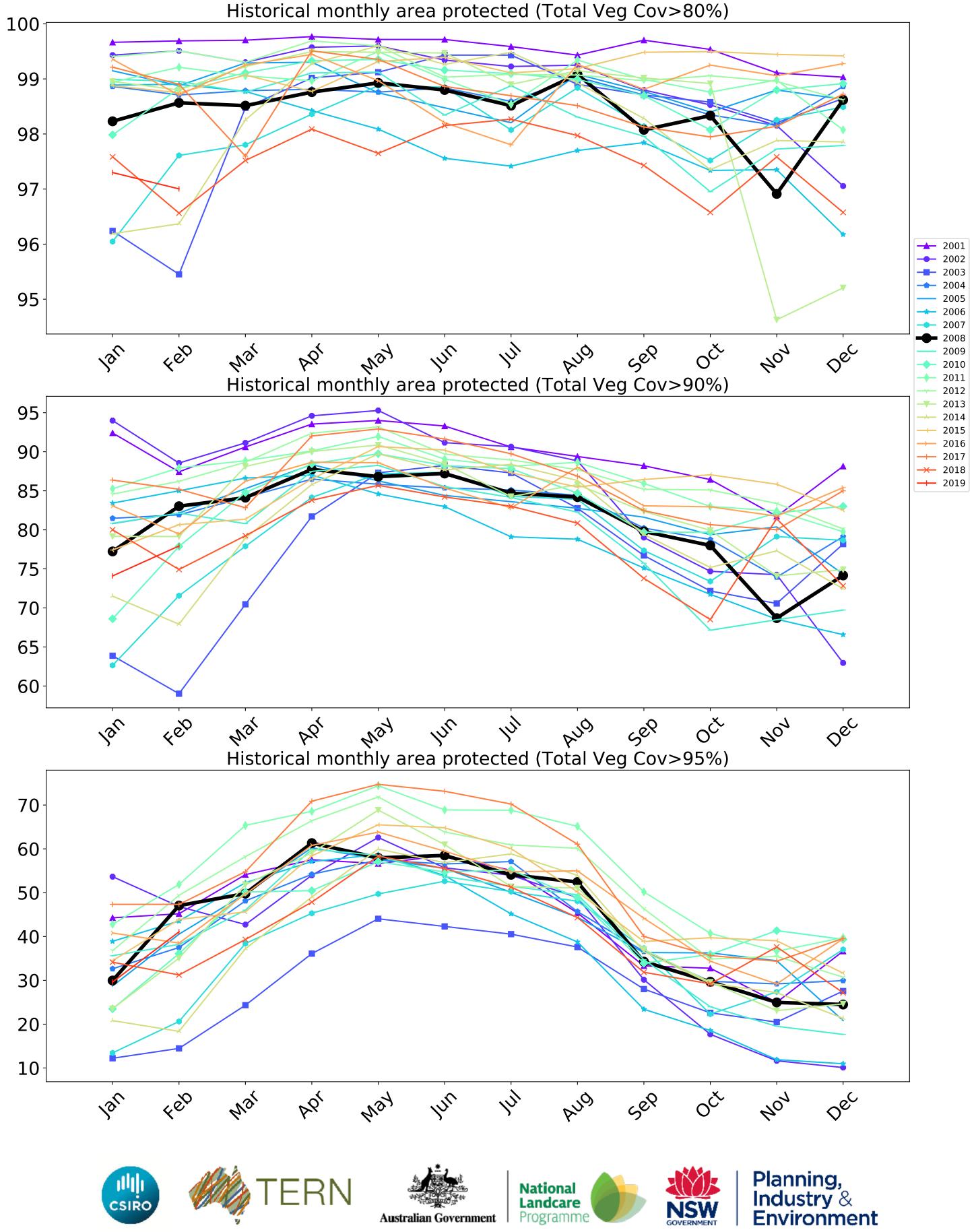
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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

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







Central Tablelands (3,133,250 ha and no data 1,415 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	3,133,250	100.0% 3,133,125	99.9% 3,129,250	97.1% 3,042,902	89.8% 2,812,910	48.8% 1,529,901	16.4% 513,258
Conservation and natural environments	712,275	100.0% 712,275	100.0% 712,275	100.0% 712,200	99.4% 708,125	79.6% 567,275	38.1% 271,250
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	535,500	100.0% 535,500	100.0% 535,500	100.0% 535,450	99.3% 532,000	76.4% 409,350	30.2% 161,975
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	174,150	100.0% 174,150	100.0% 174,150	100.0% 174,150	99.6% 173,525	90.0% 156,700	62.5% 108,900
Agriculture	2,148,000	100.0% 2,148,000	99.8% 2,144,575	96.1% 2,064,750	86.3% 1,853,725	36.3% 779,075	6.9% 147,300
Grazing	1,710,150	100.0% 1,710,150	100.0% 1,710,075	99.5% 1,702,225	94.2% 1,611,525	42.3% 722,725	8.2% 139,875
Grazing non forest	1,354,275	100.0% 1,354,275	100.0% 1,354,200	99.5% 1,346,875	93.5% 1,266,050	40.5% 548,050	7.8% 106,200
Grazing Woodland forest	293,575	100.0% 293,575	100.0% 293,575	99.8% 293,075	96.8% 284,300	46.0% 135,150	7.7% 22,650
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	62,300	100.0% 62,300	100.0% 62,300	100.0% 62,275	98.2% 61,175	63.4% 39,525	17.7% 11,025
Cropping	419,725	100.0% 419,725	99.3% 416,625	82.9% 348,100	55.2% 231,850	13.1% 54,800	1.7% 7,300
Production native forests and plantation forests	193,500	100.0% 193,500	100.0% 193,500	99.9% 193,225	98.6% 190,725	83.0% 160,650	47.1% 91,050

