### Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Hunter 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:

**Date: September 2001** 

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 cover class that 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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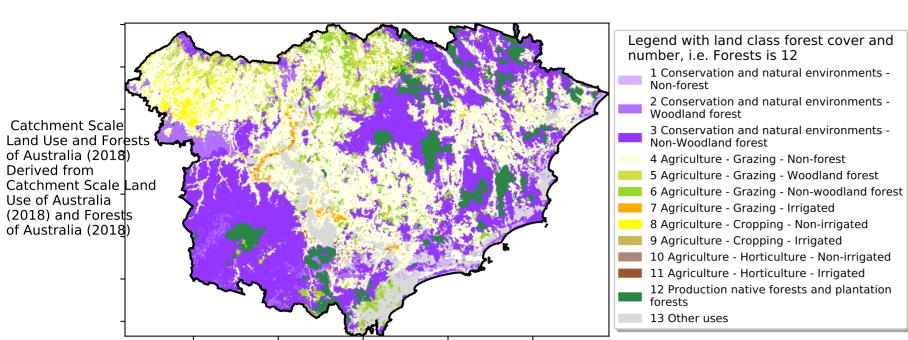




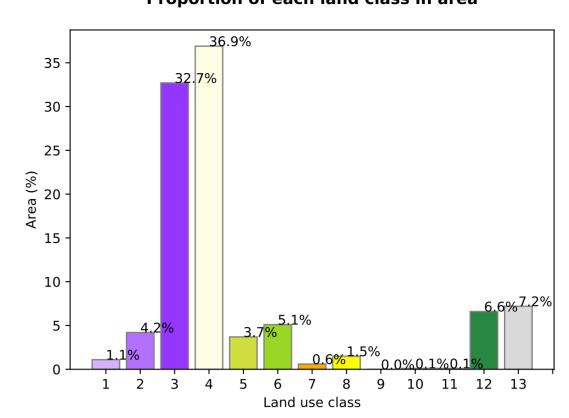


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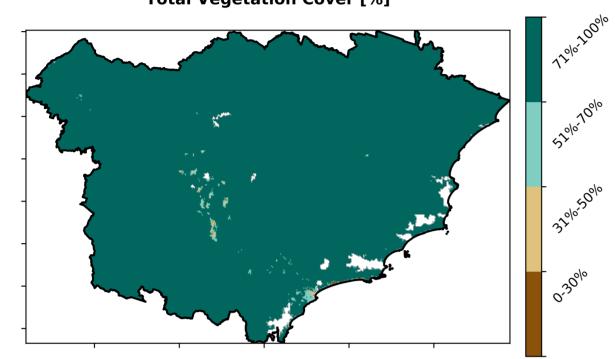
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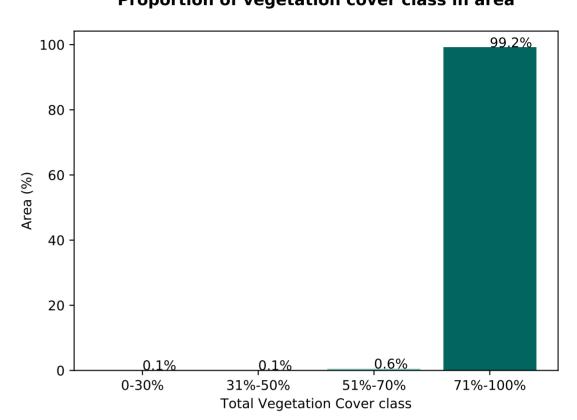
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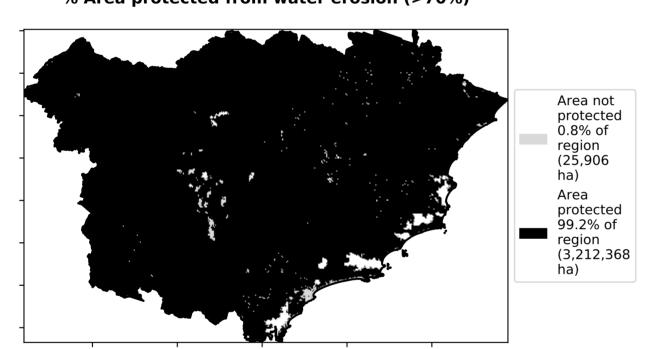
### Total Vegetation Cover [%]



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



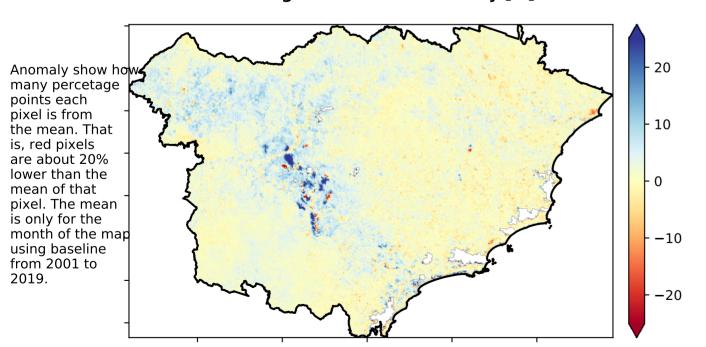
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% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

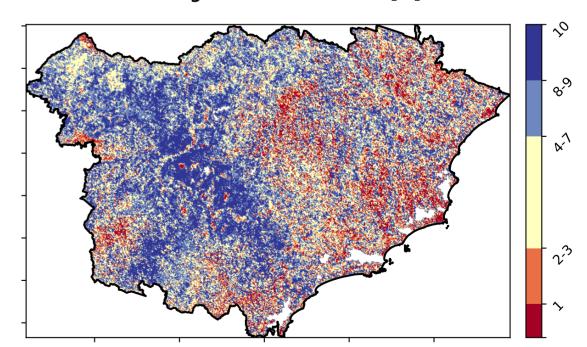


### Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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### **Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]**





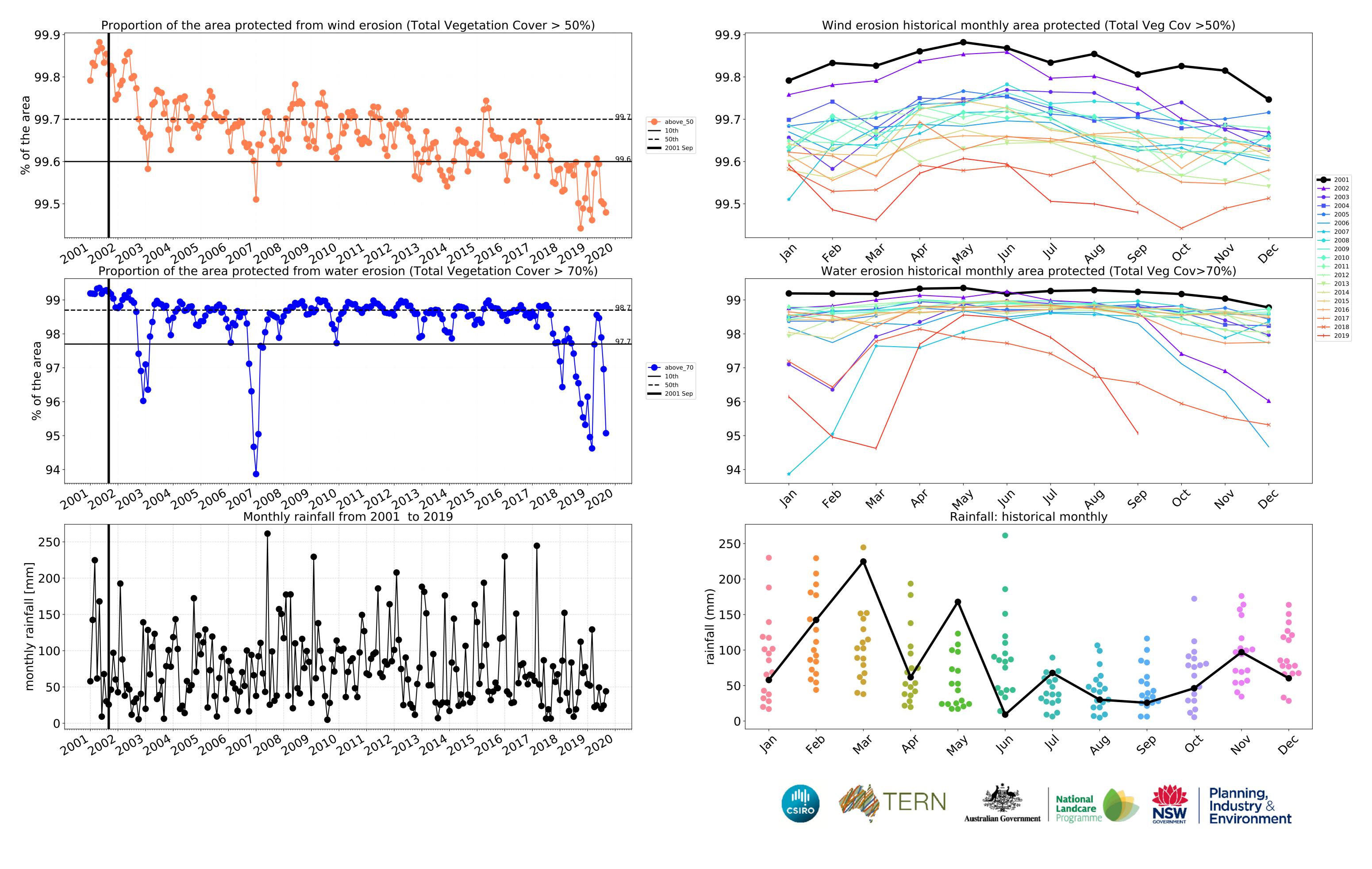


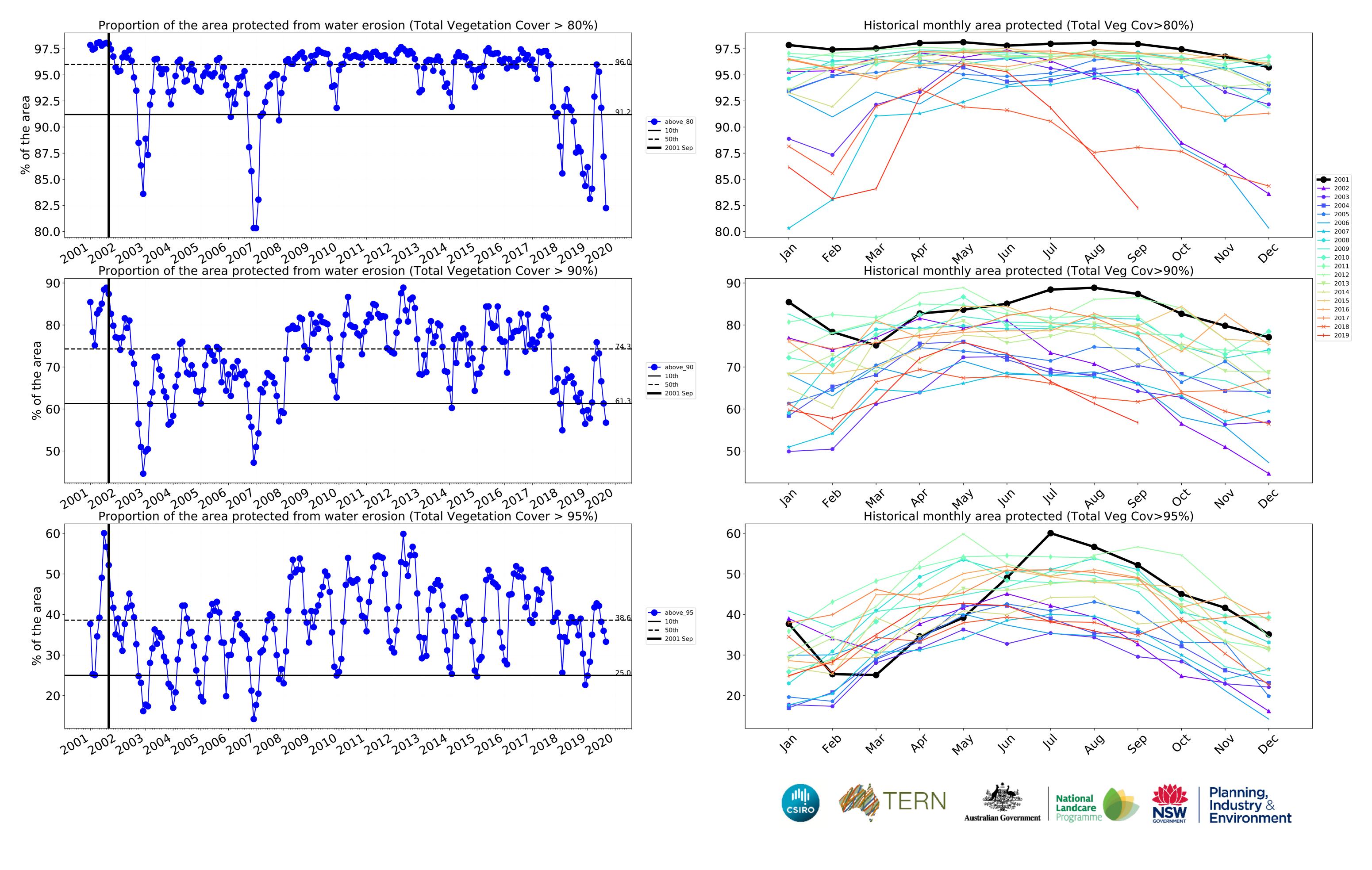






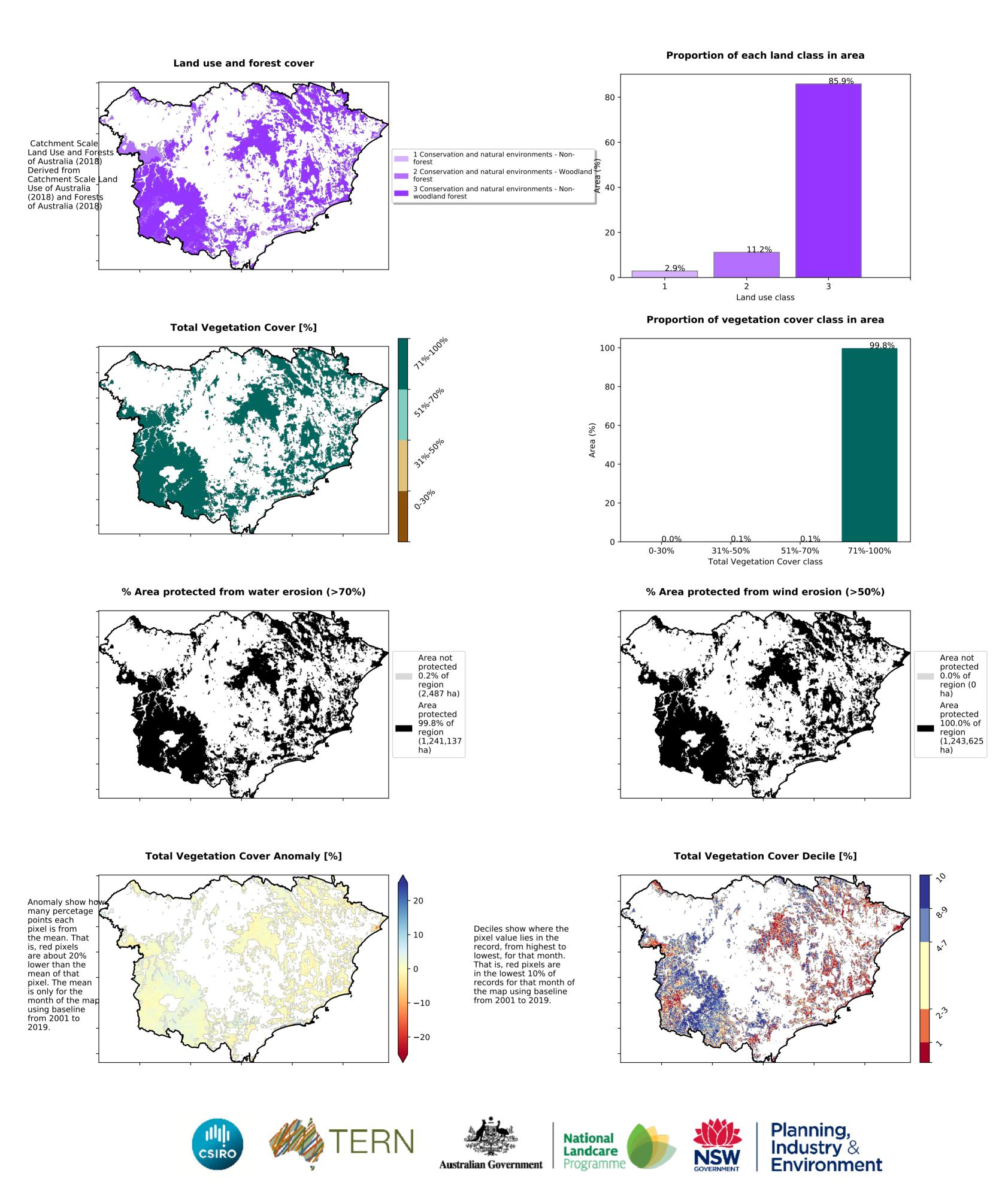






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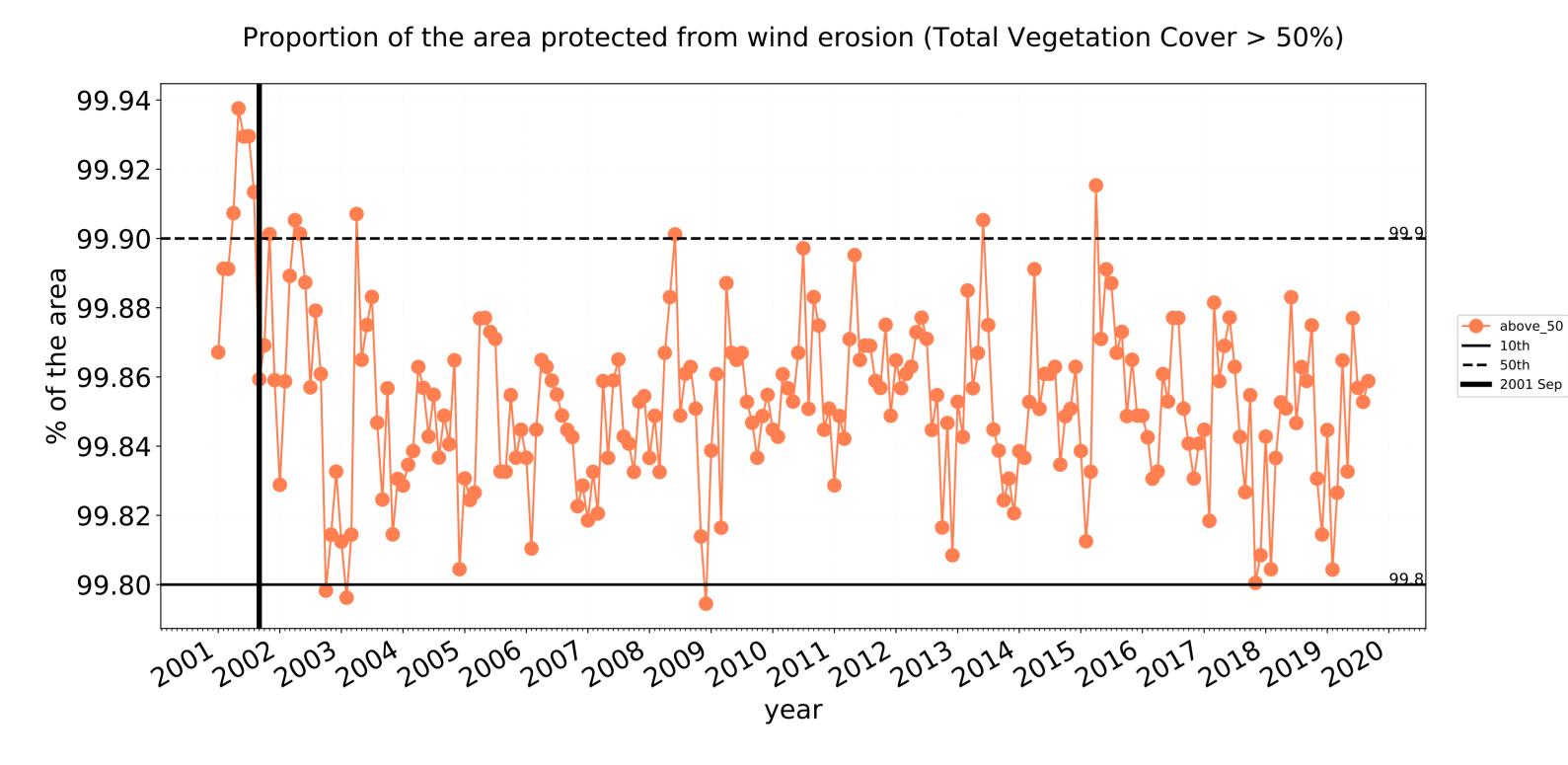
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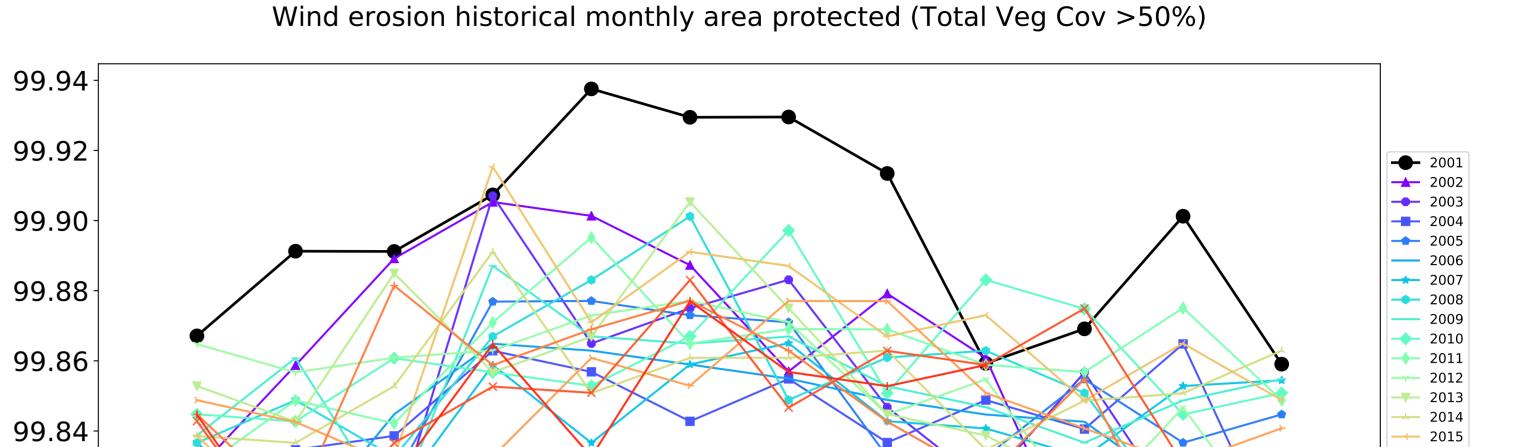


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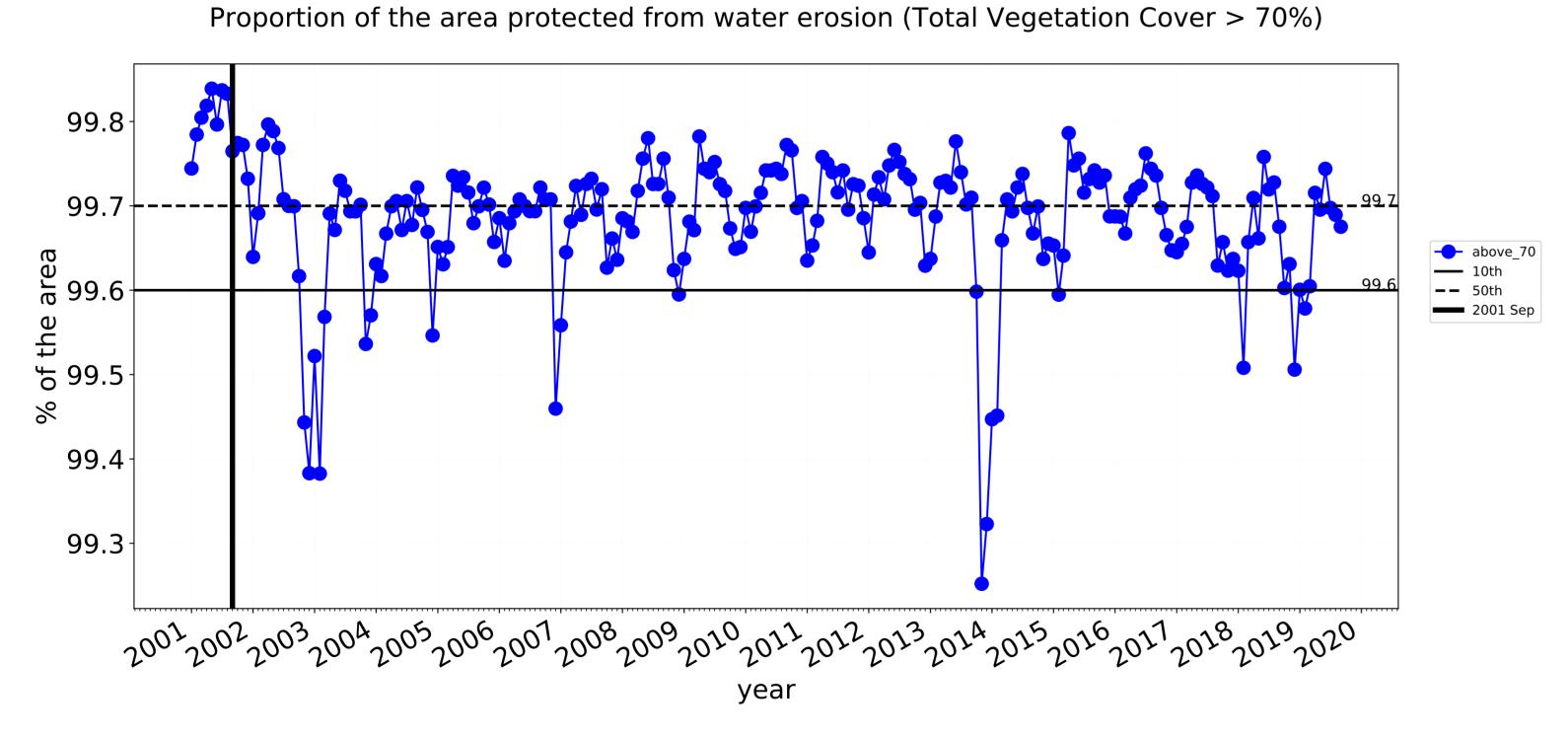
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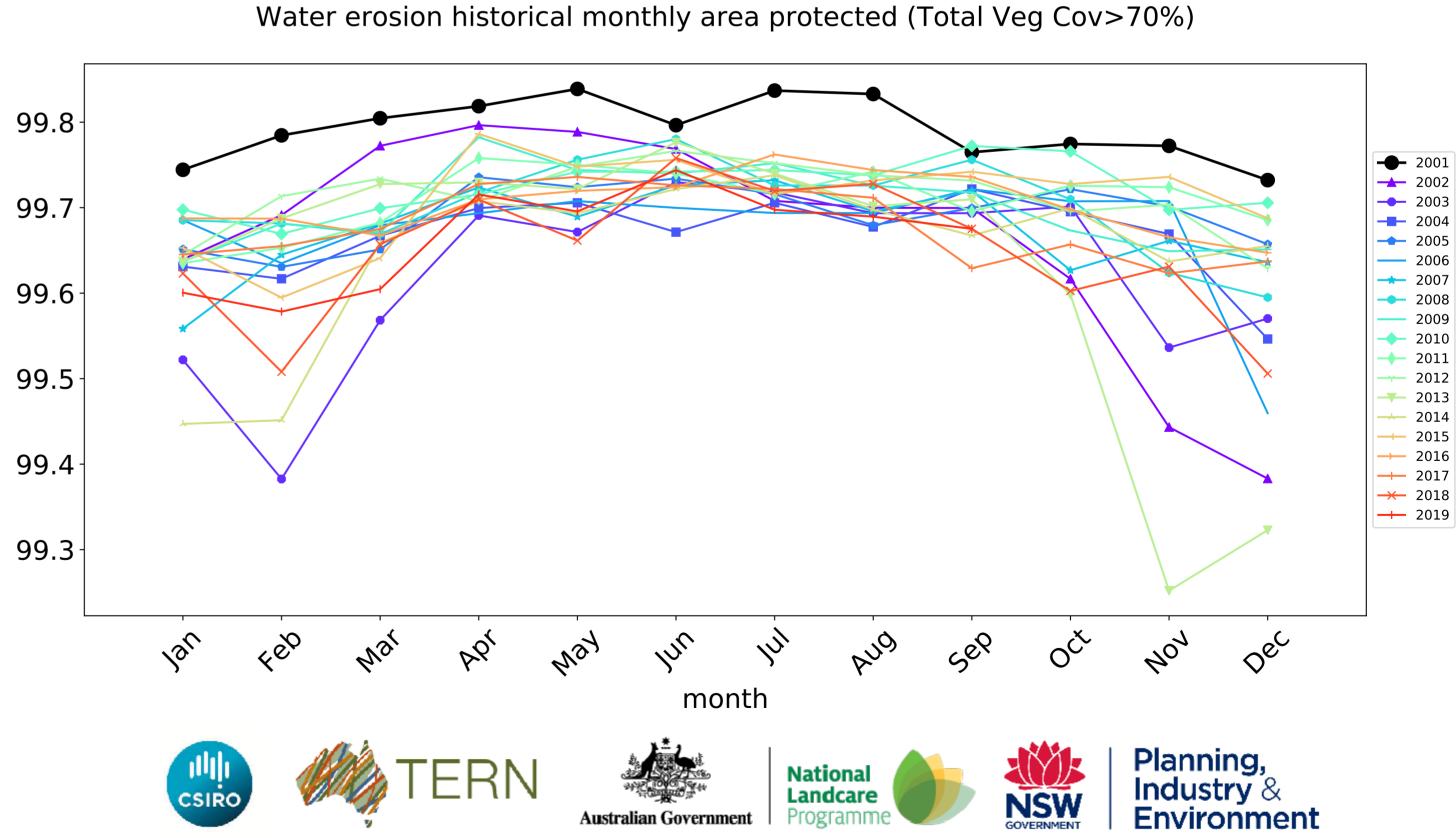




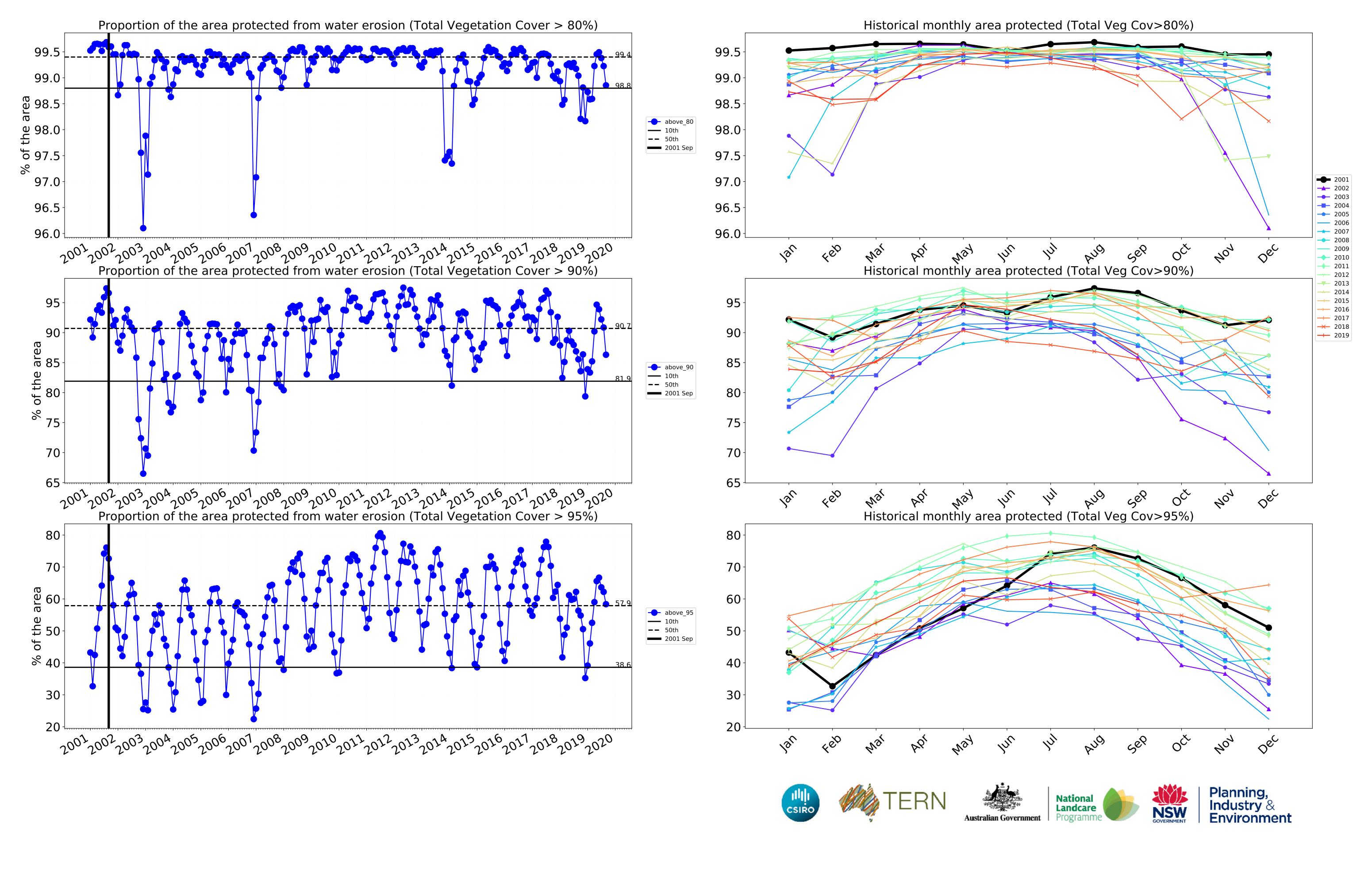
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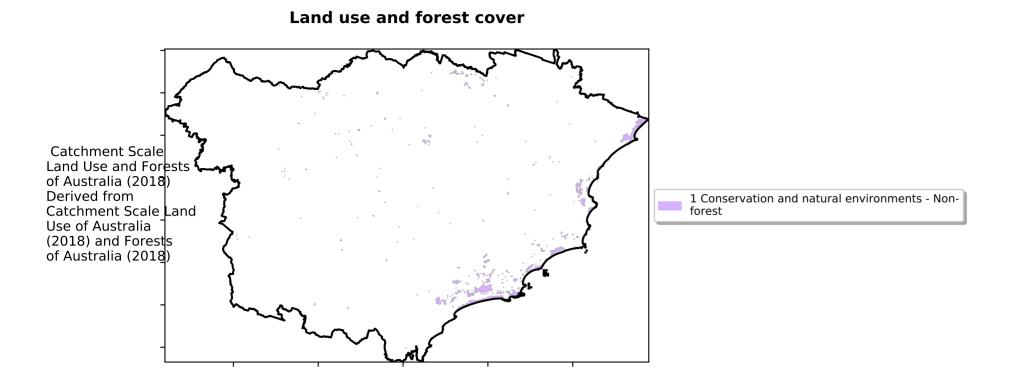




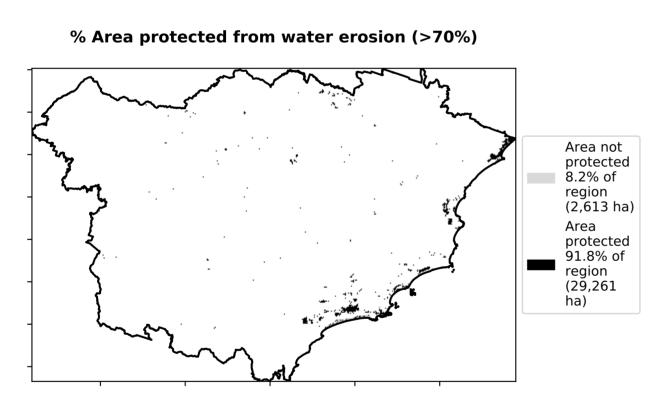
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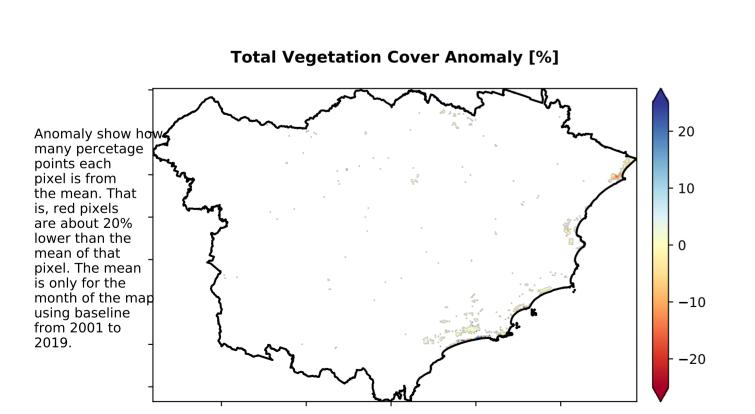


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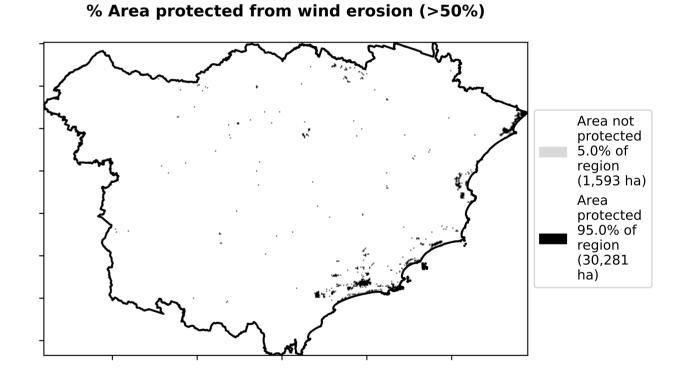
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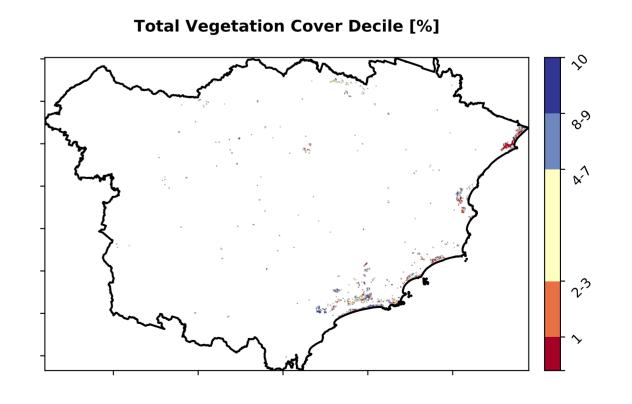




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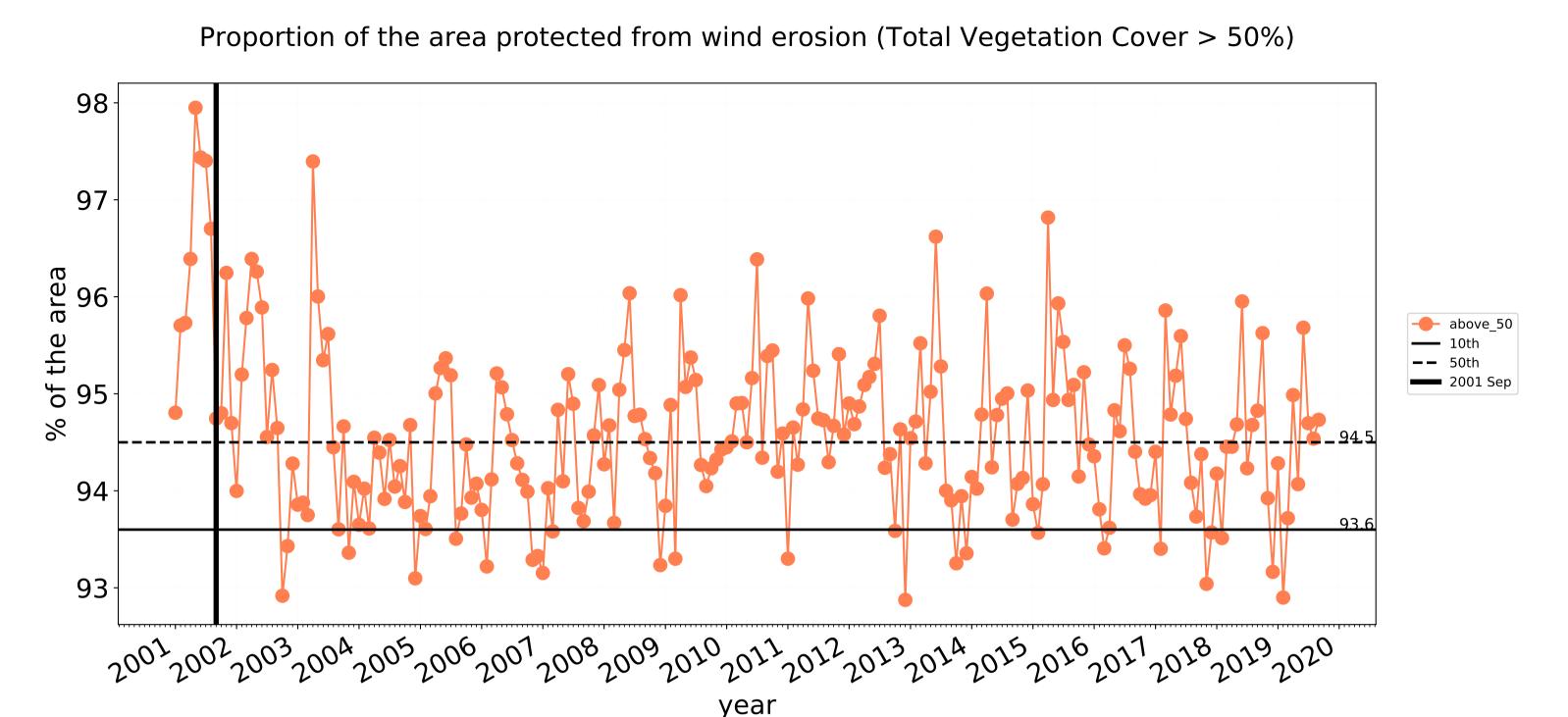




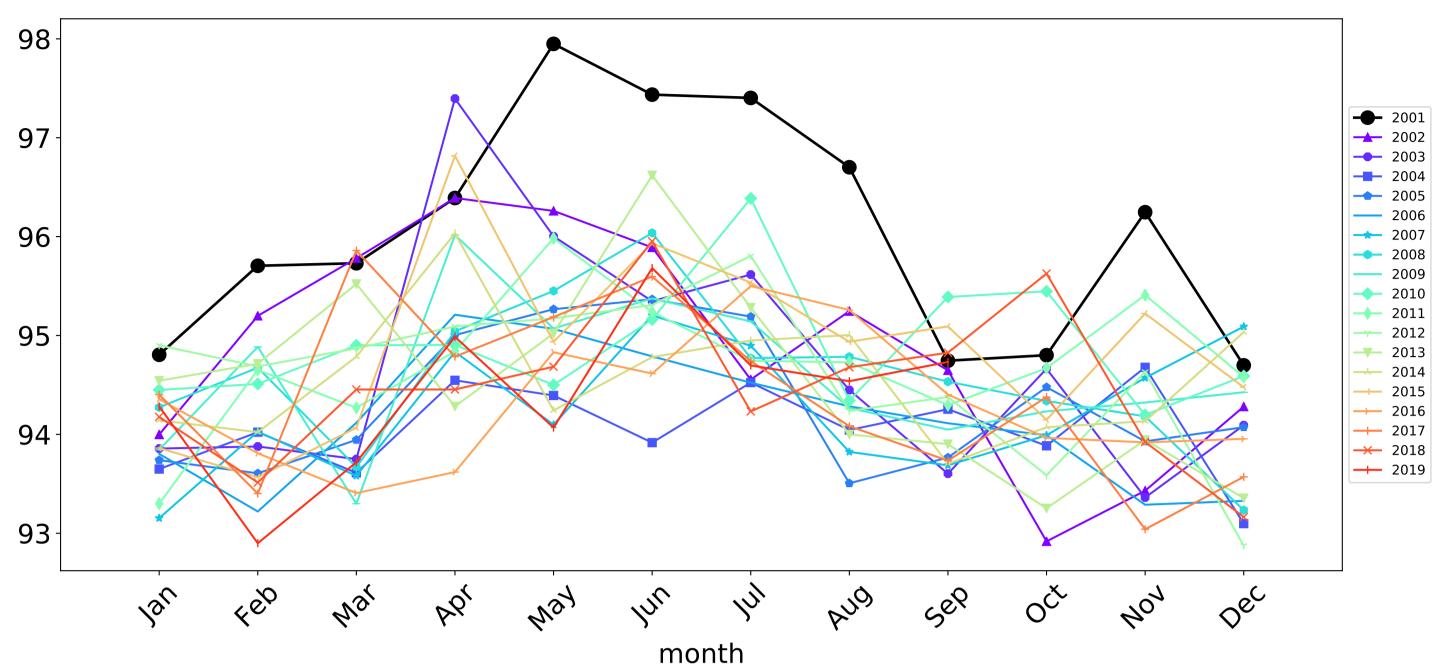




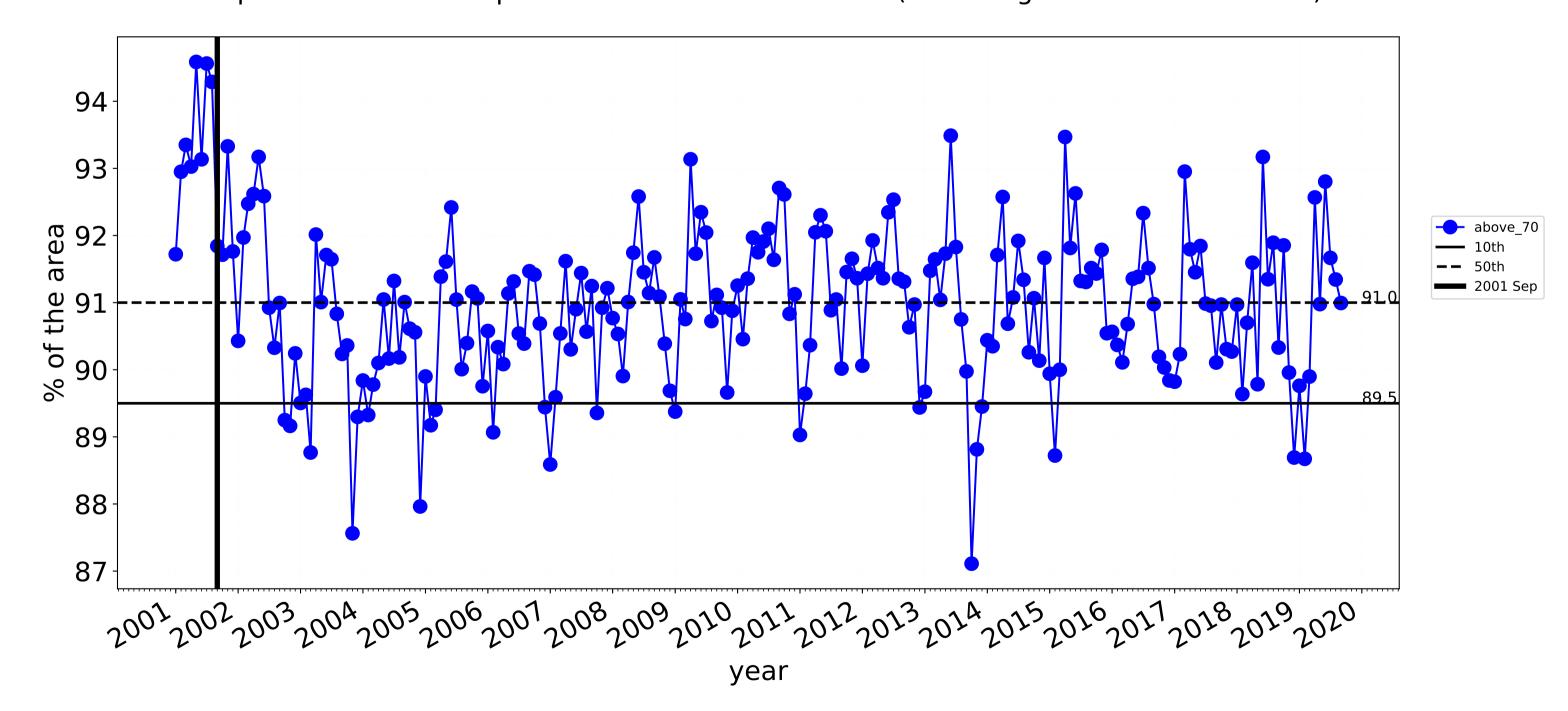
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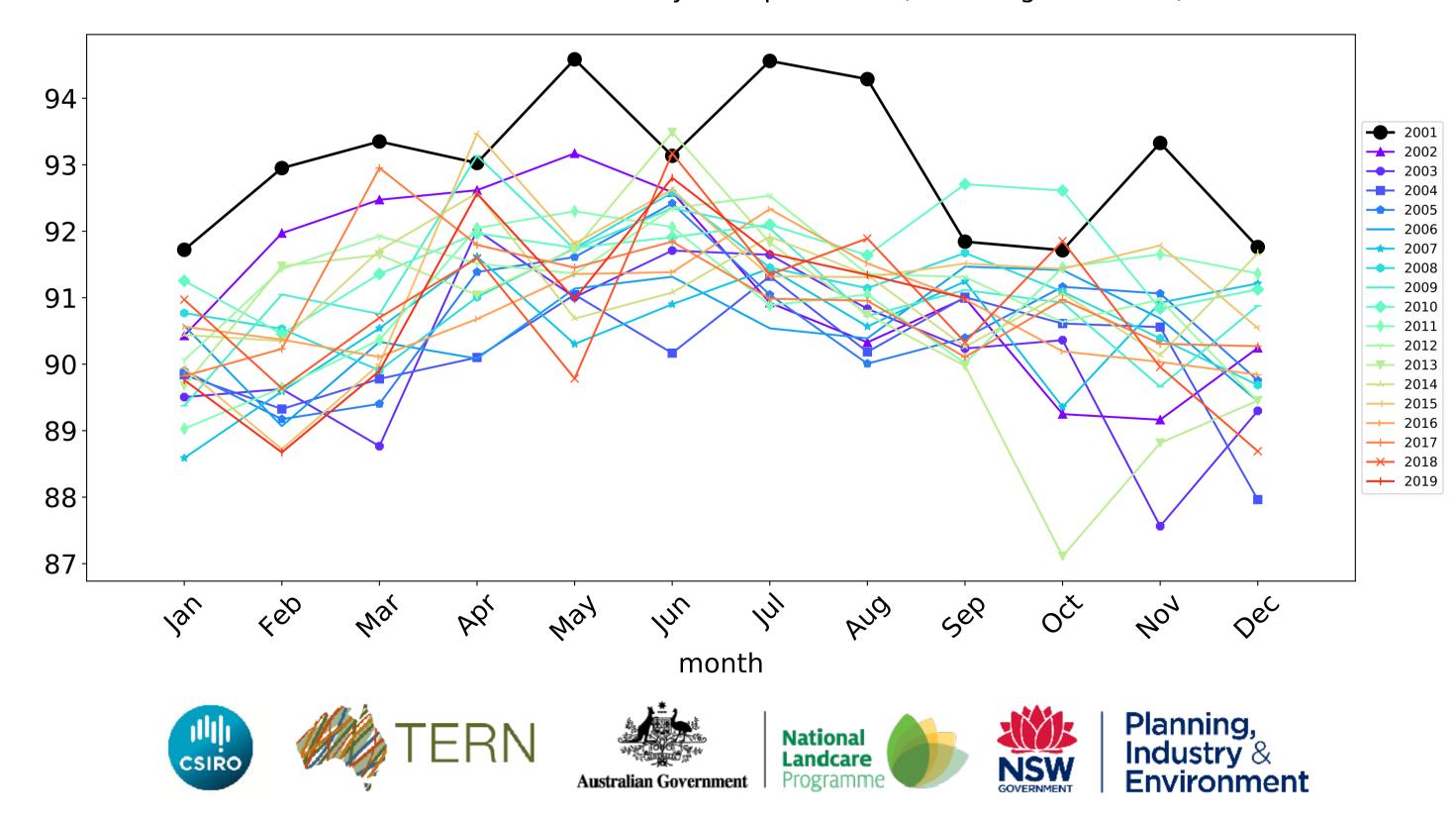


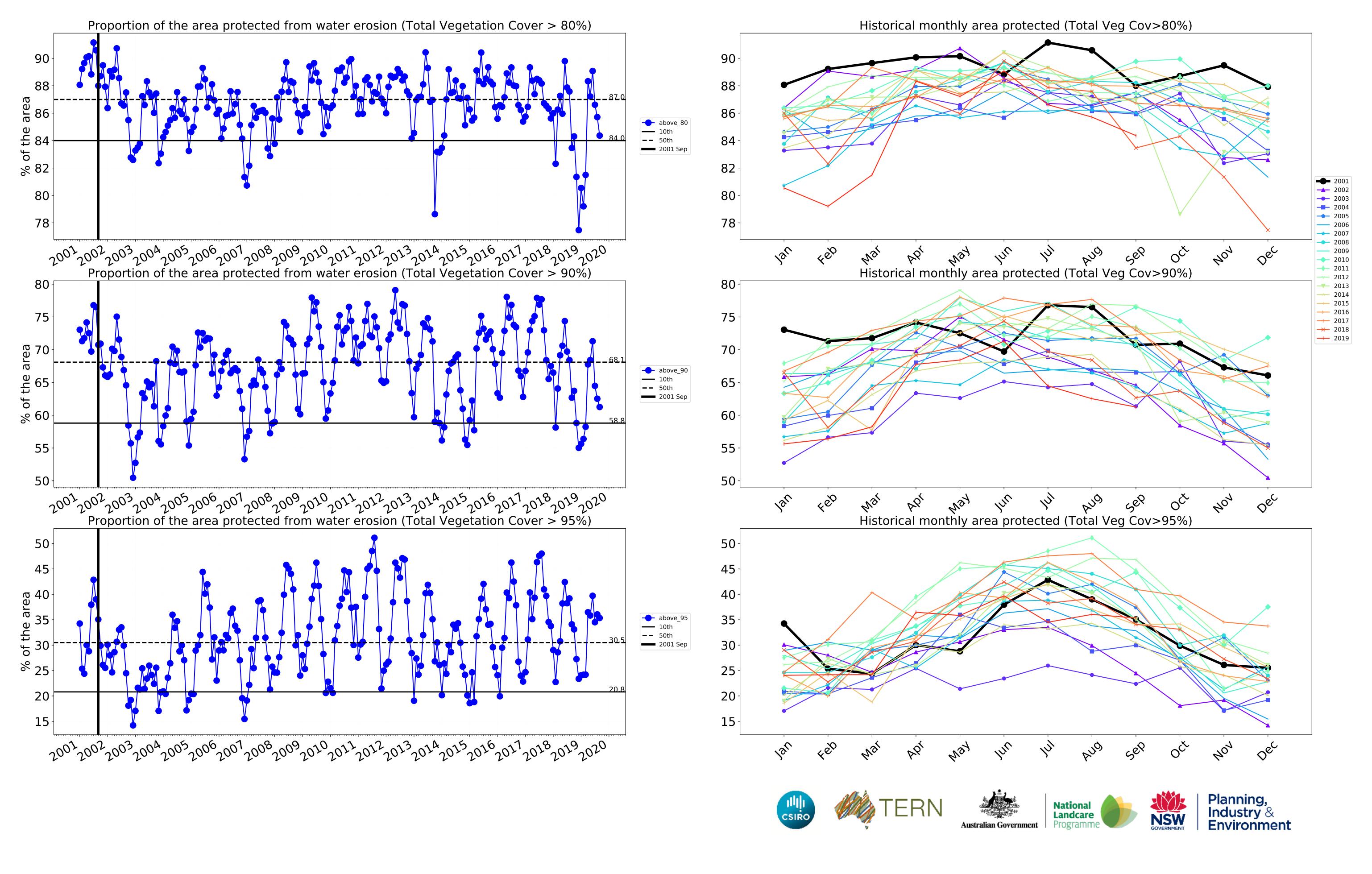


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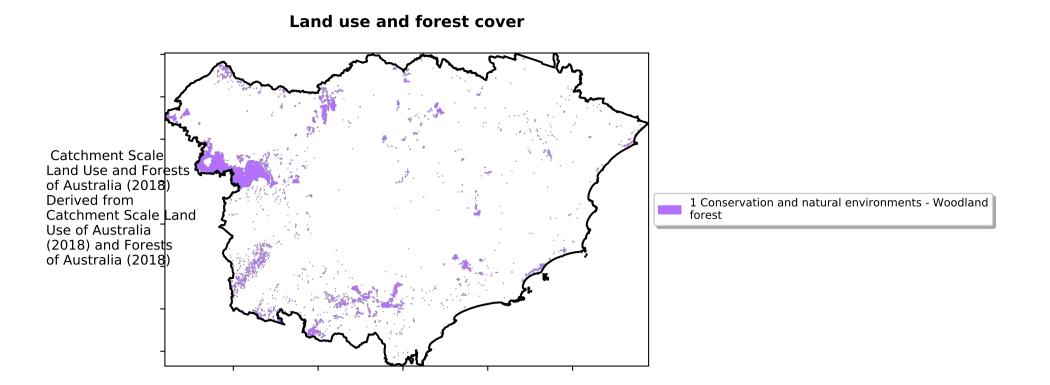


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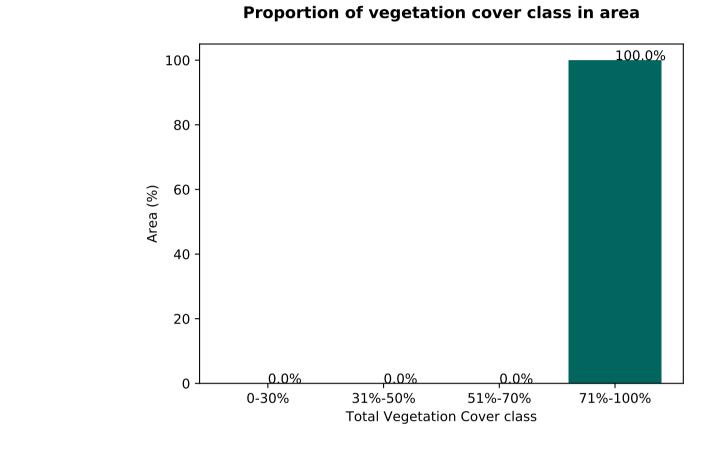


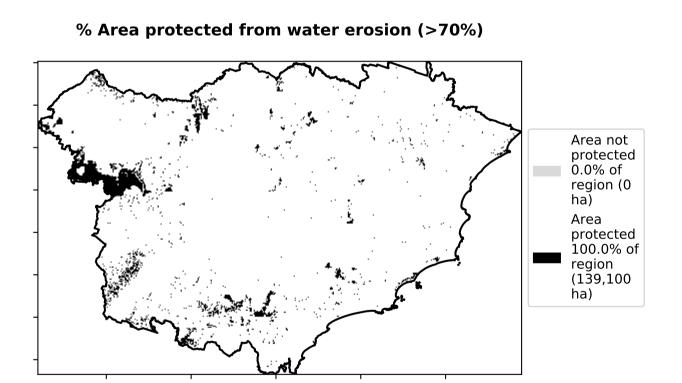


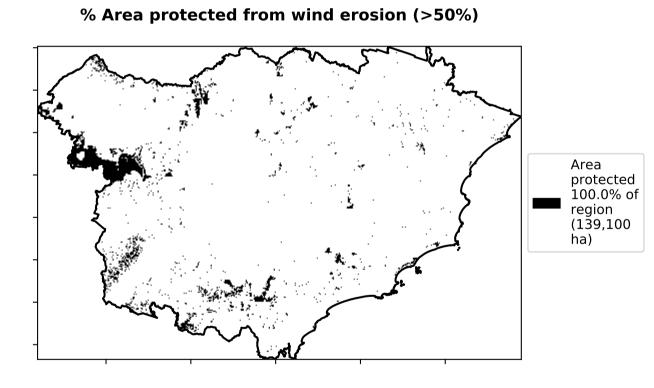
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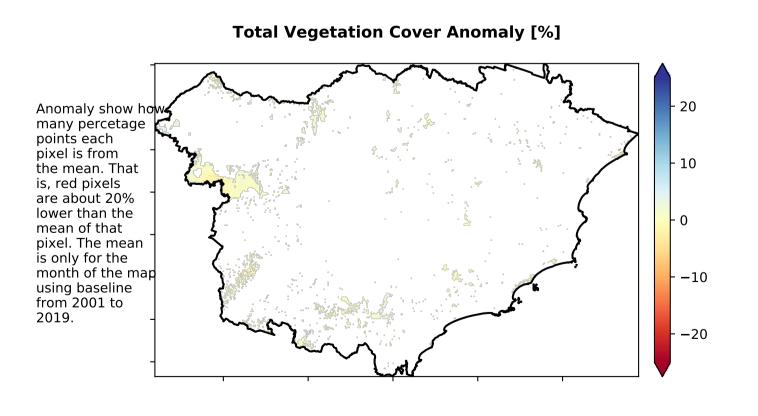


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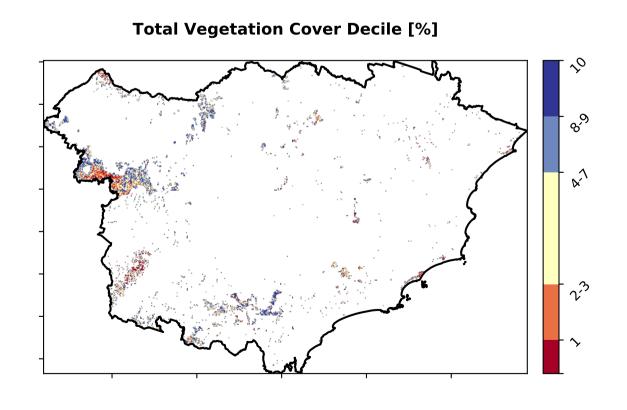








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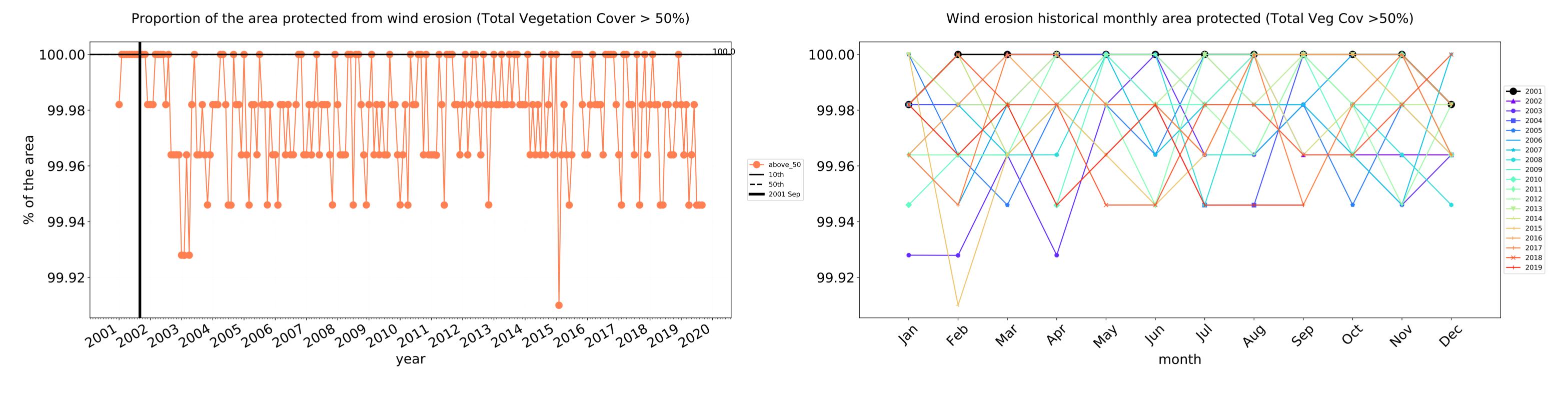


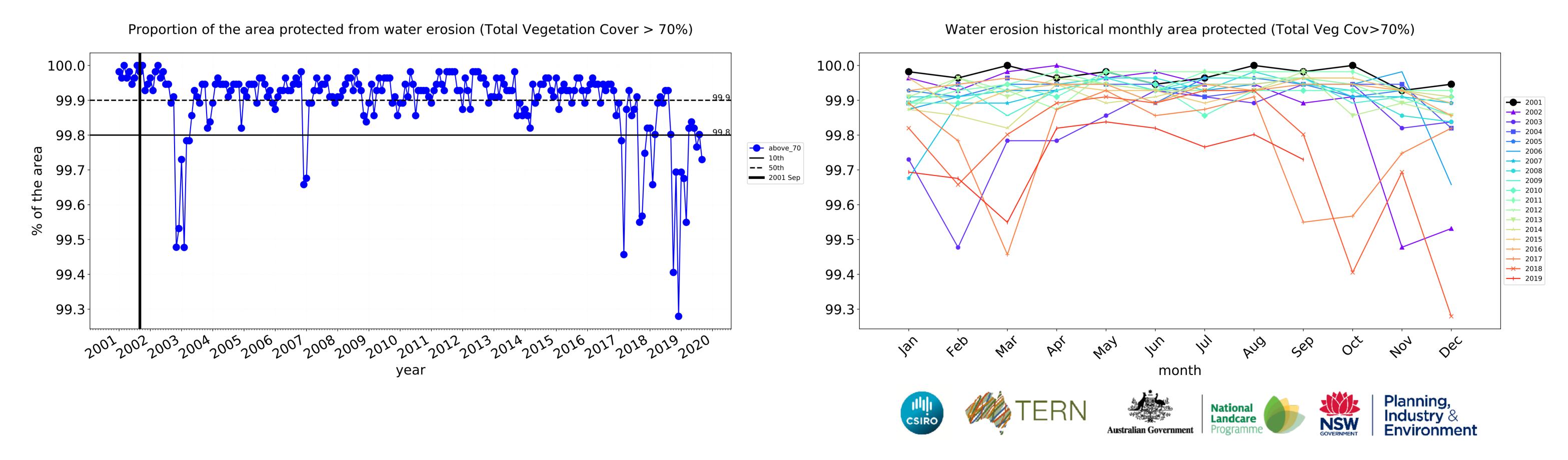


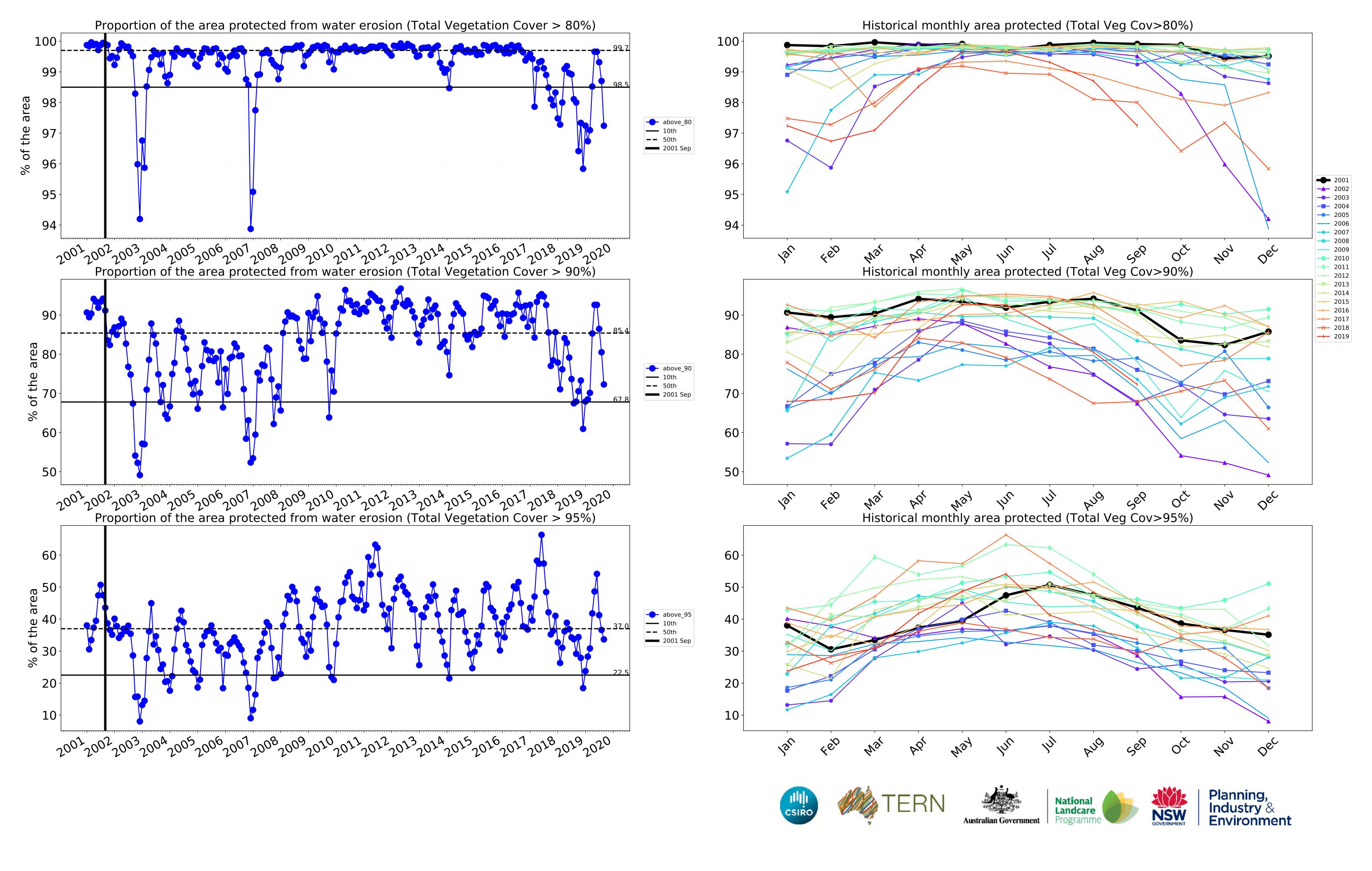




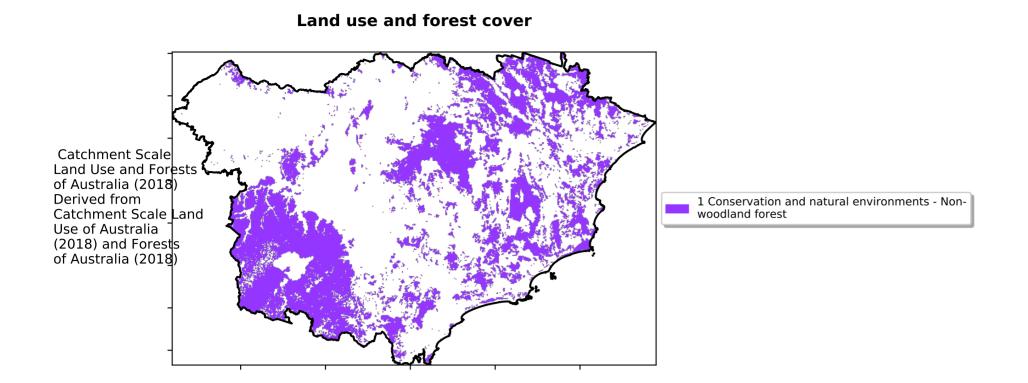
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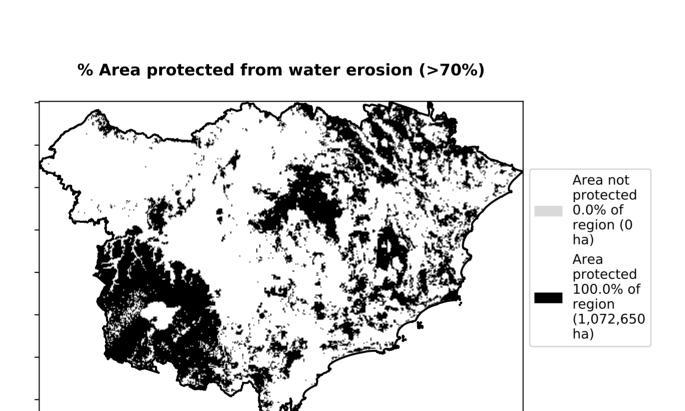


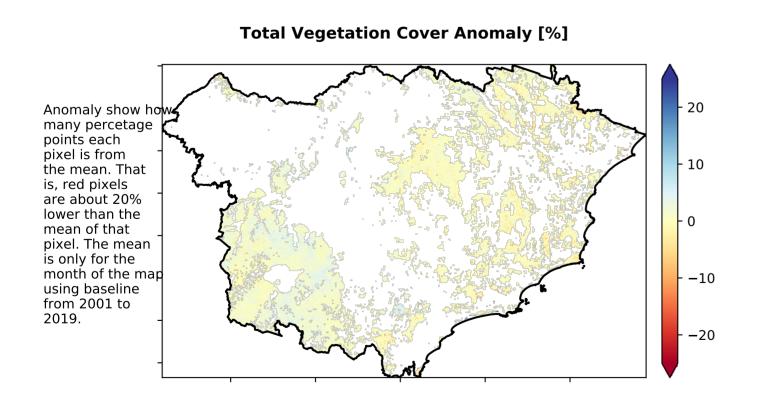


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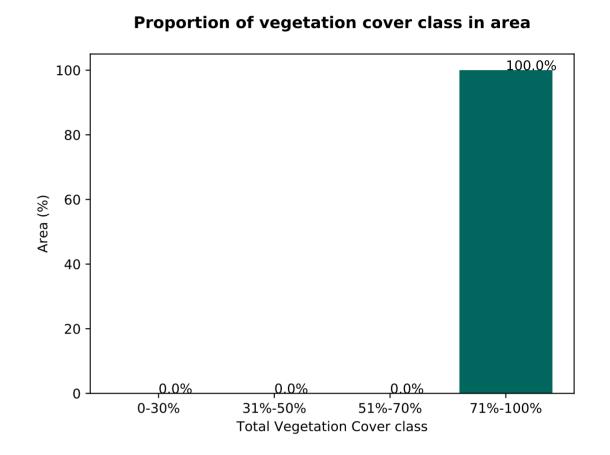


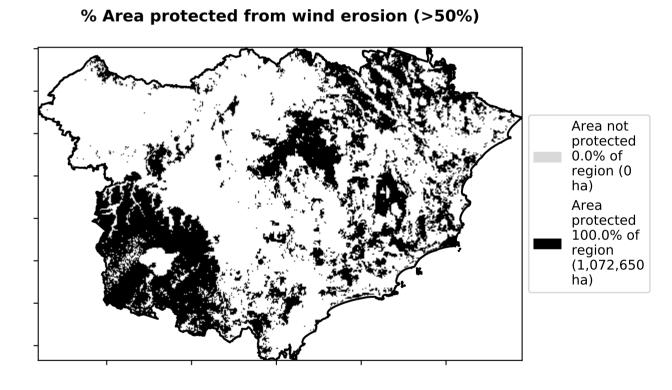
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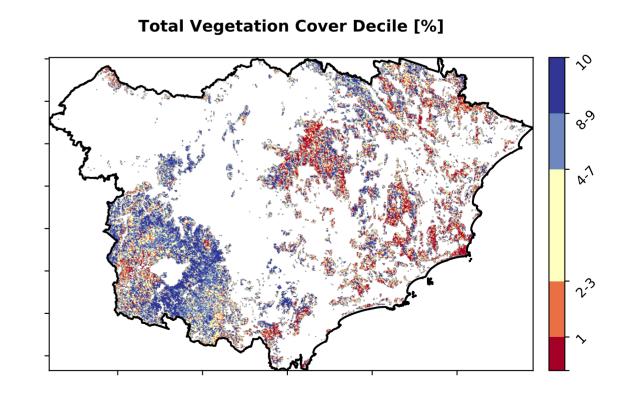




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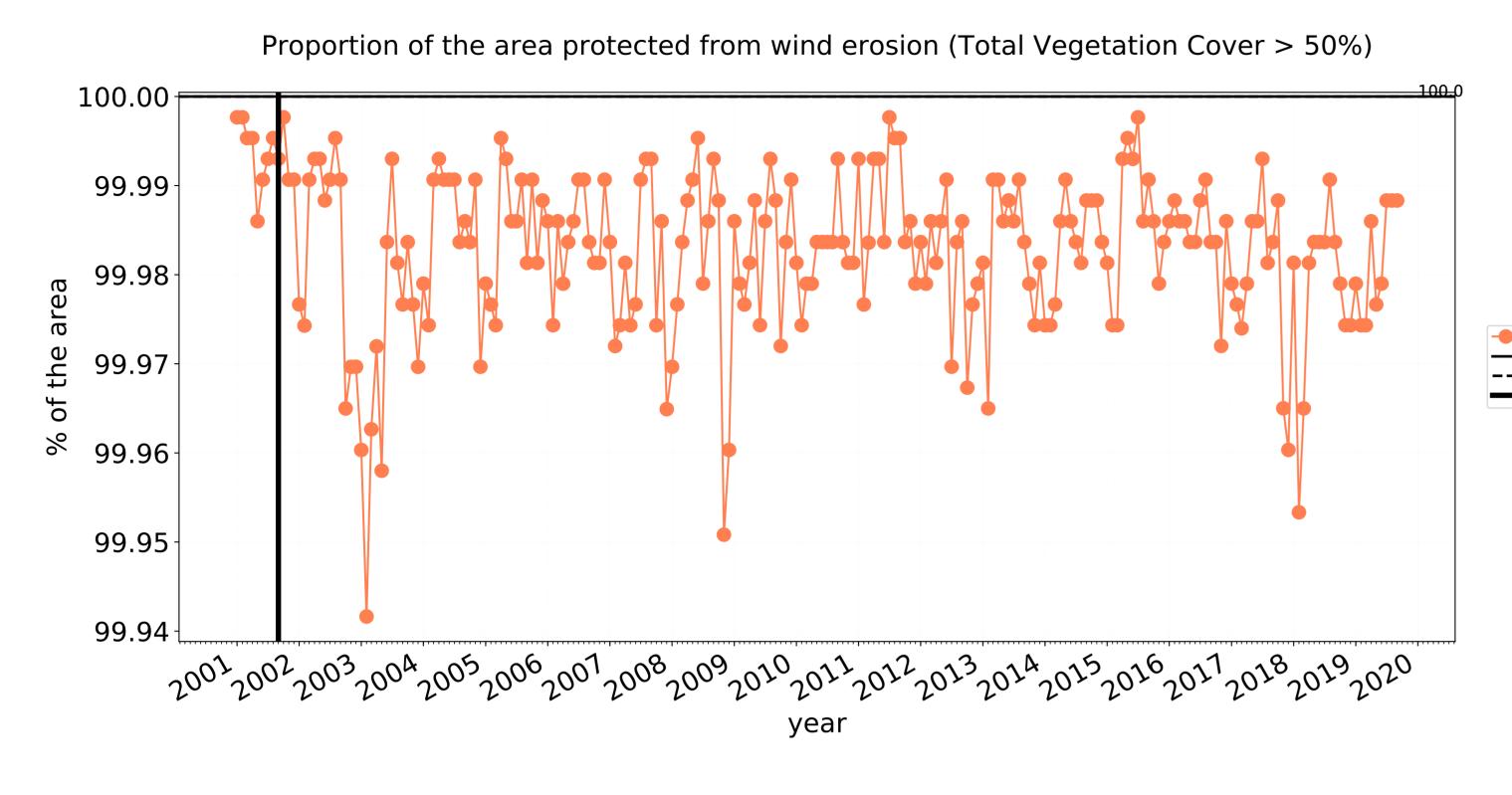


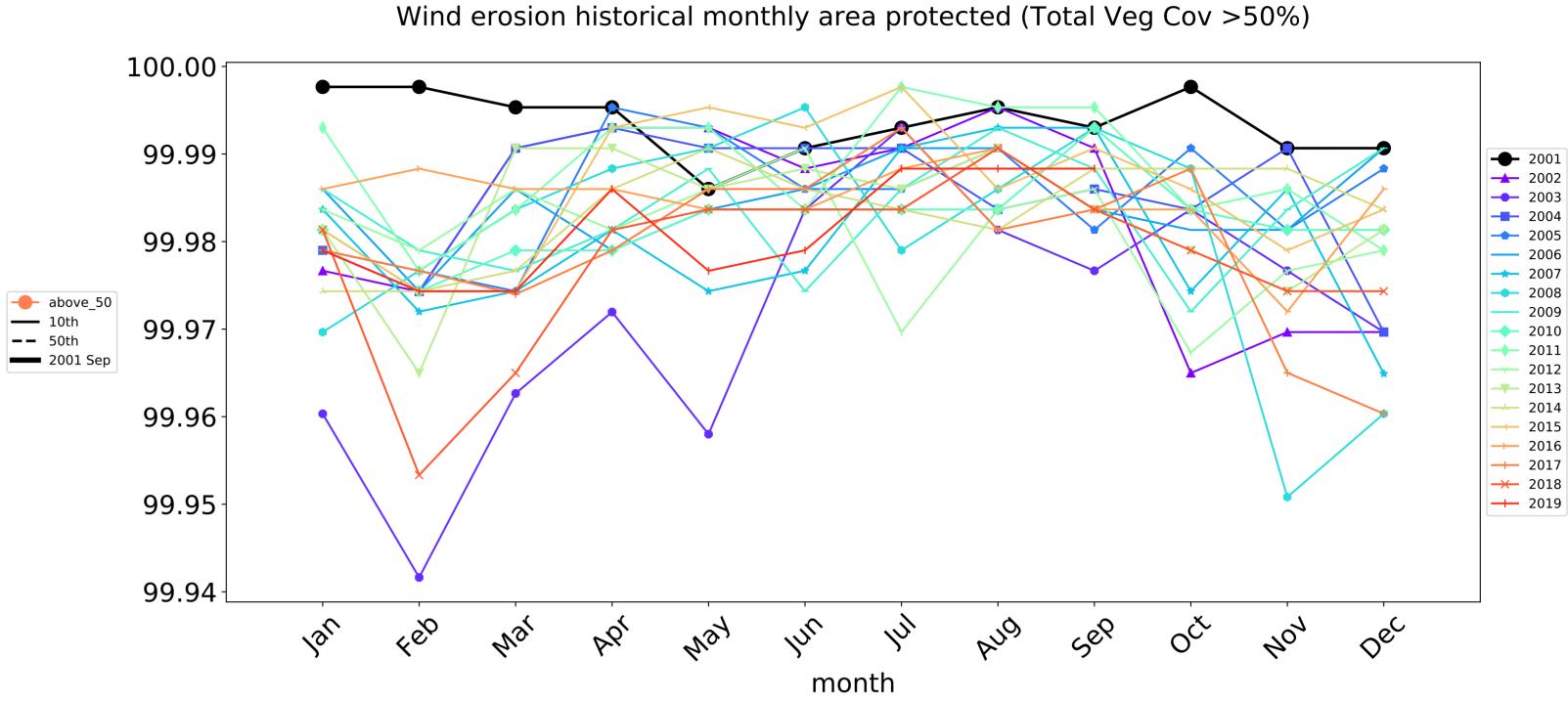


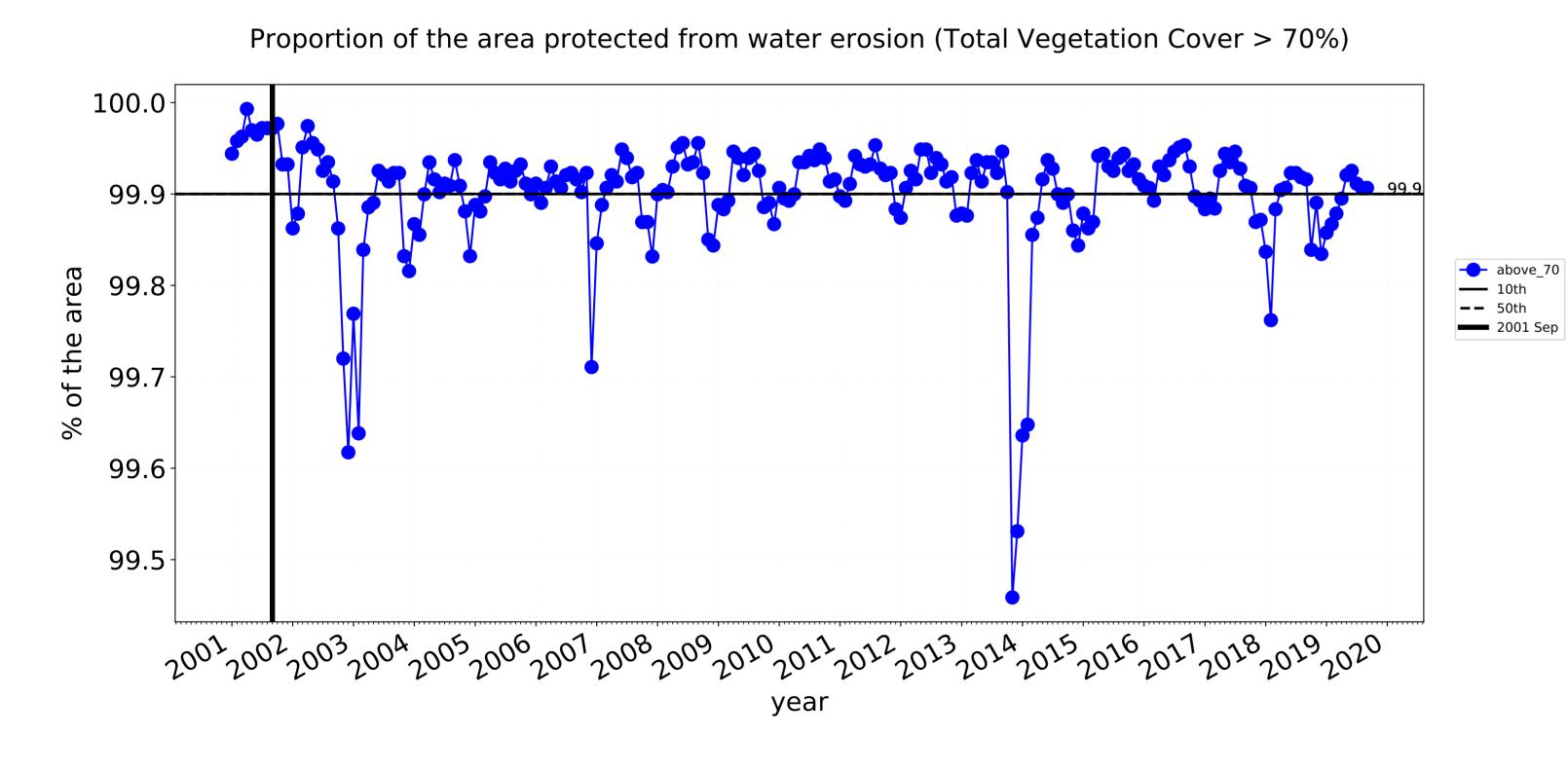


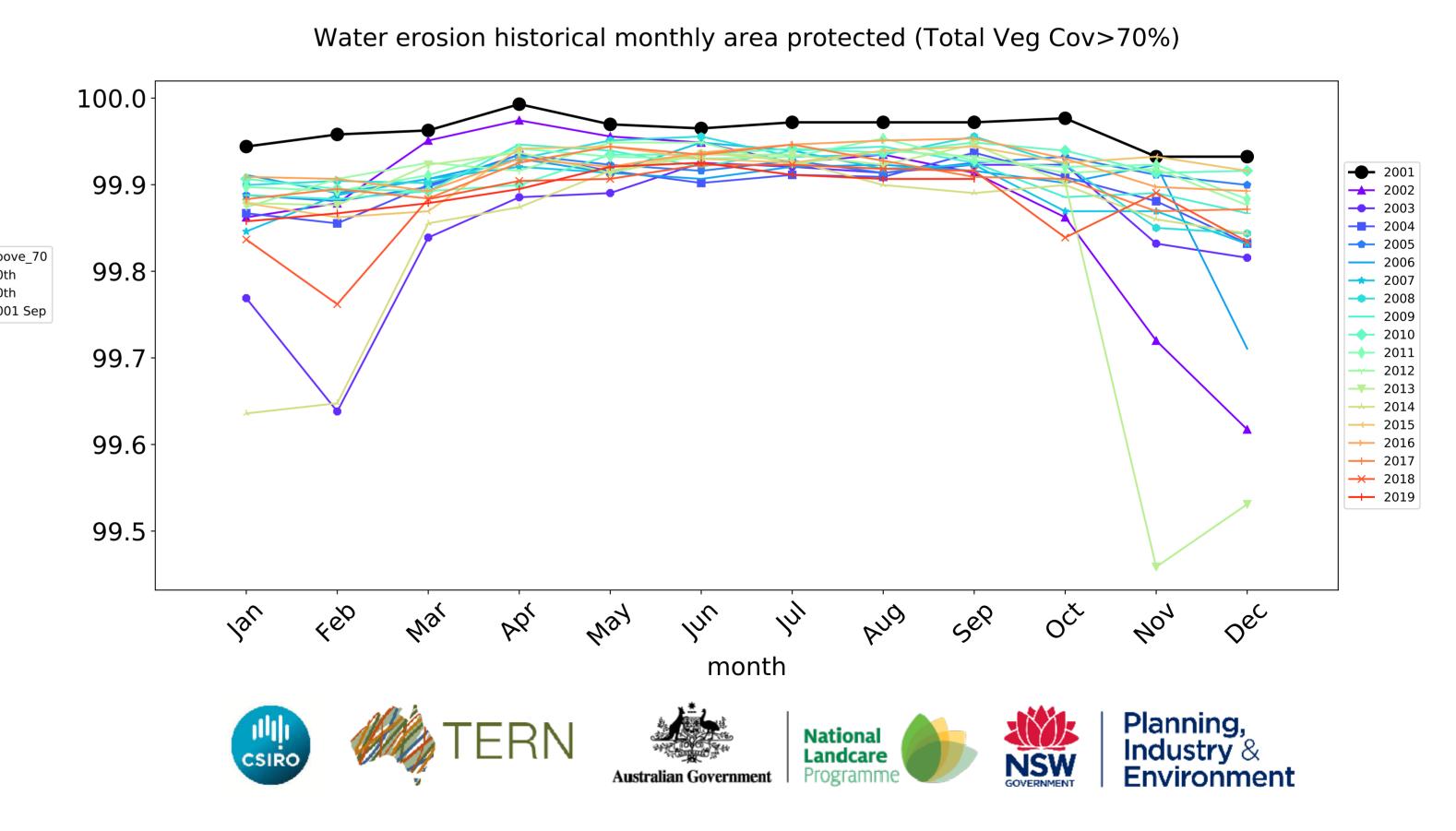


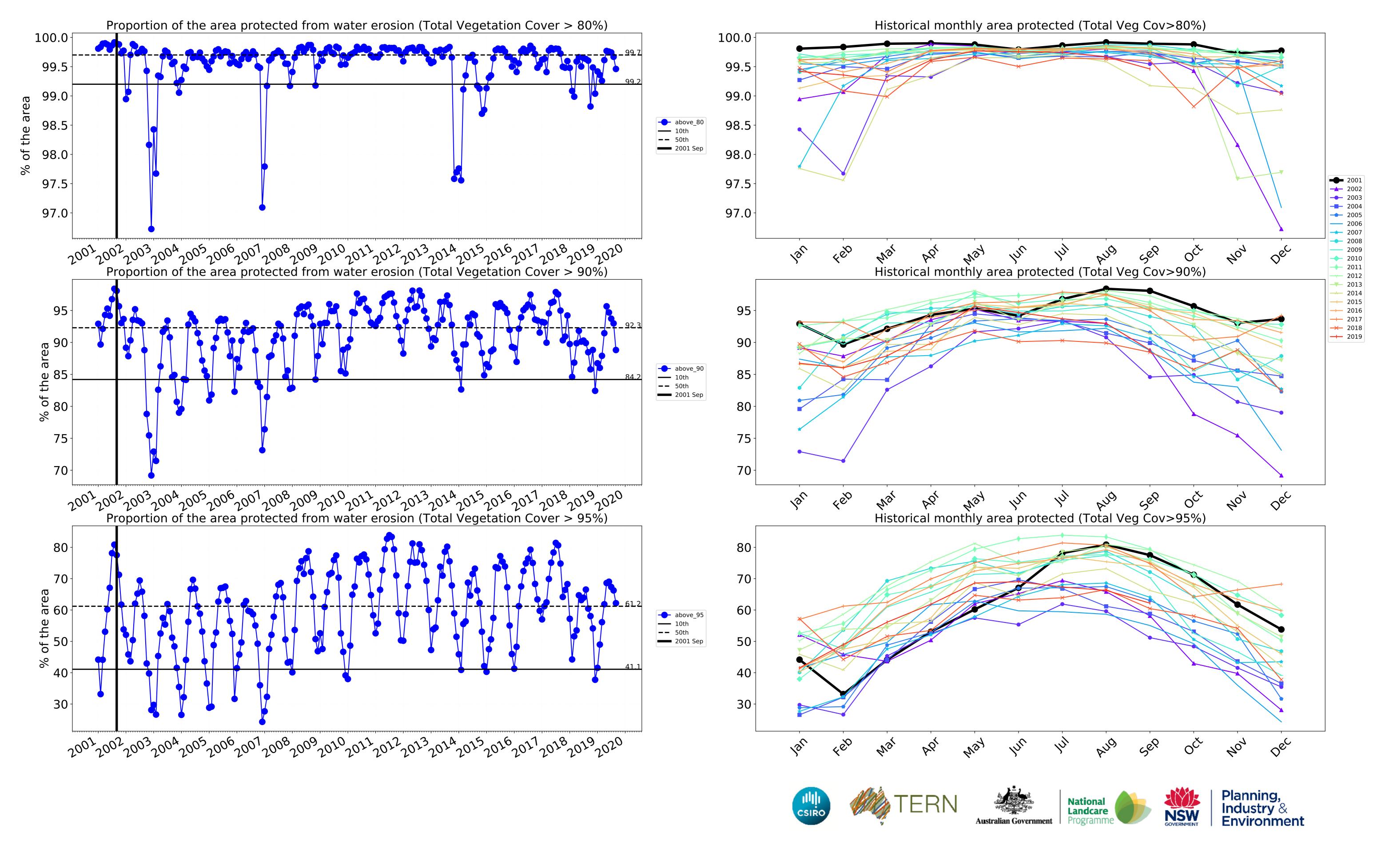
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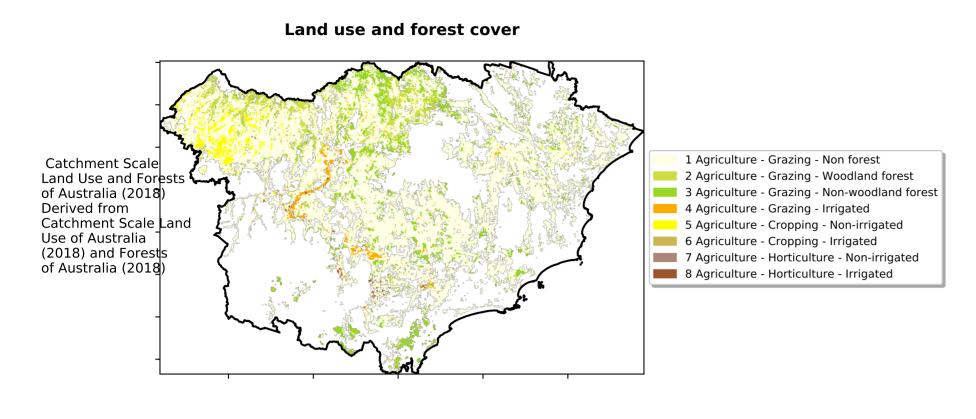


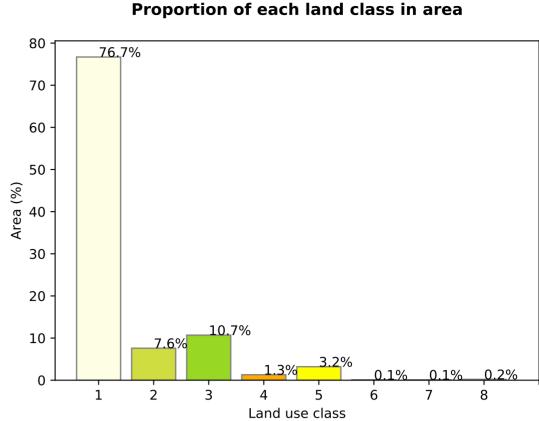


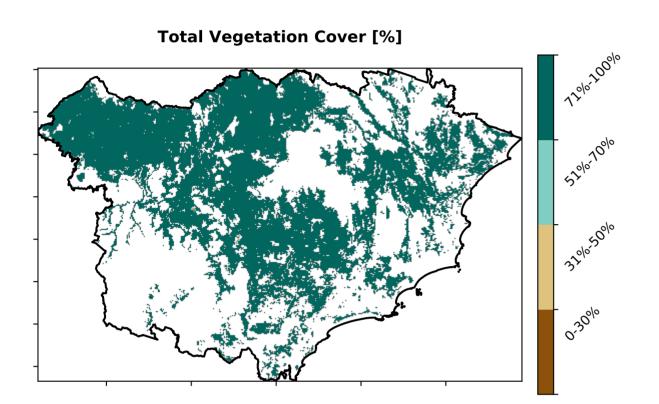


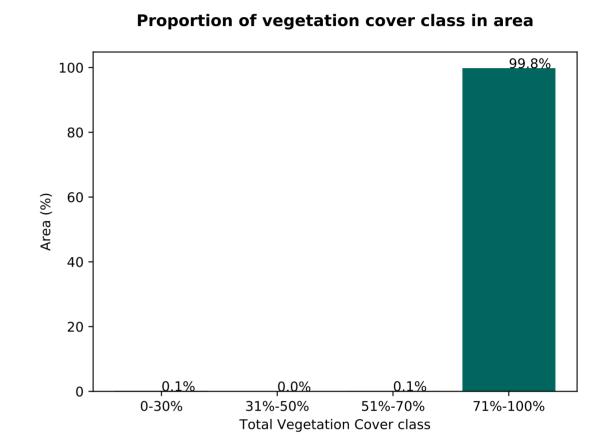


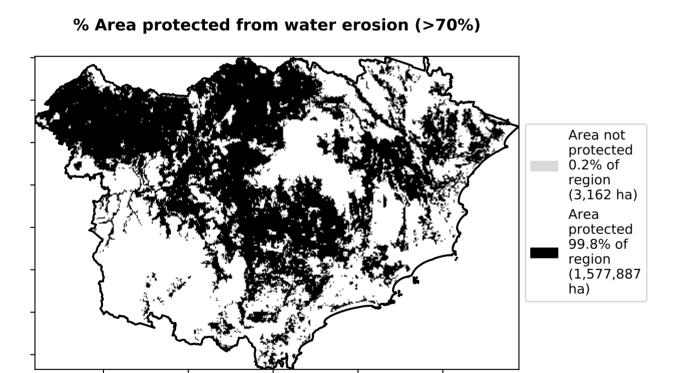
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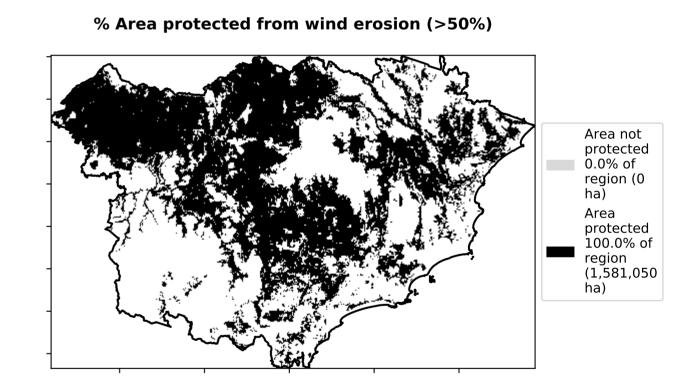


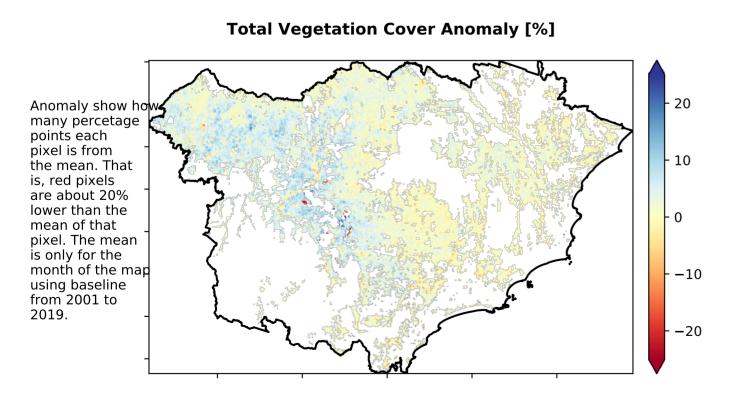




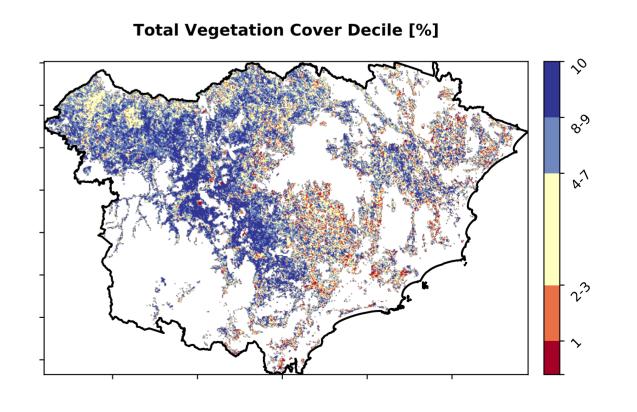








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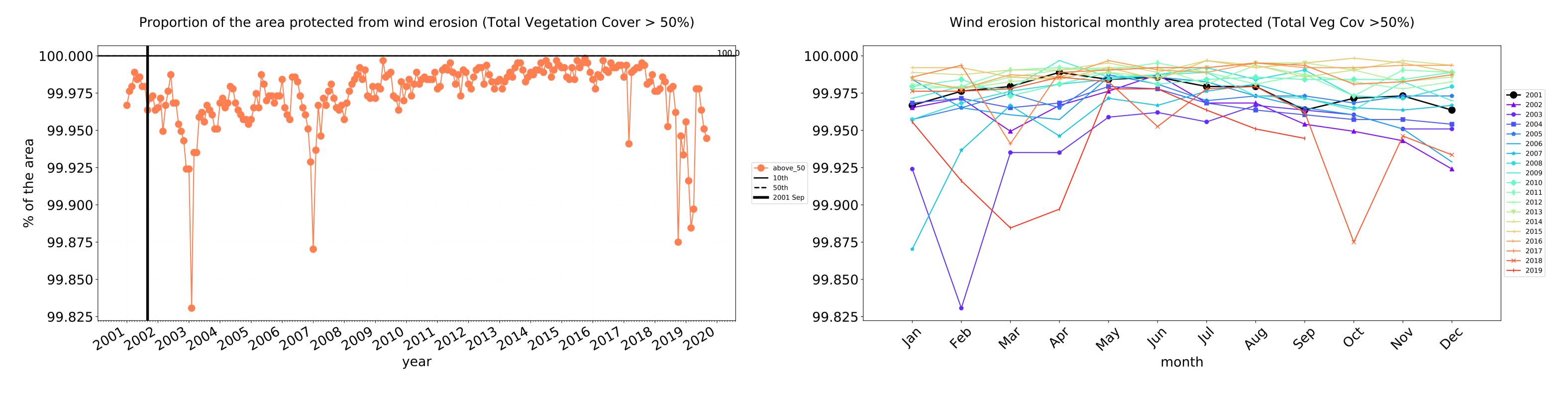


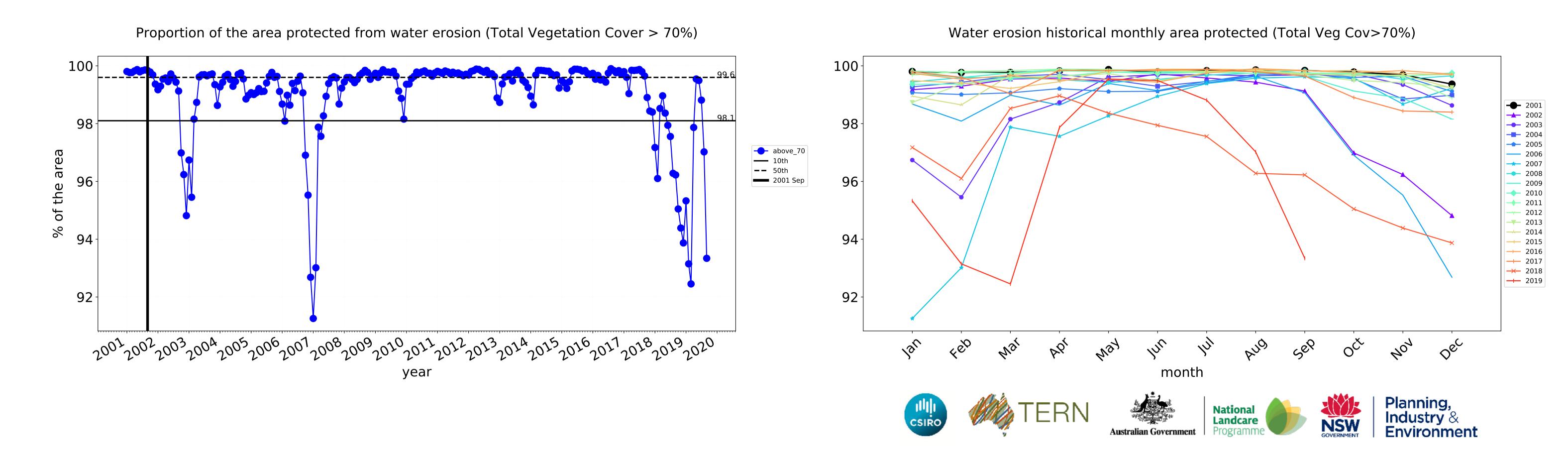


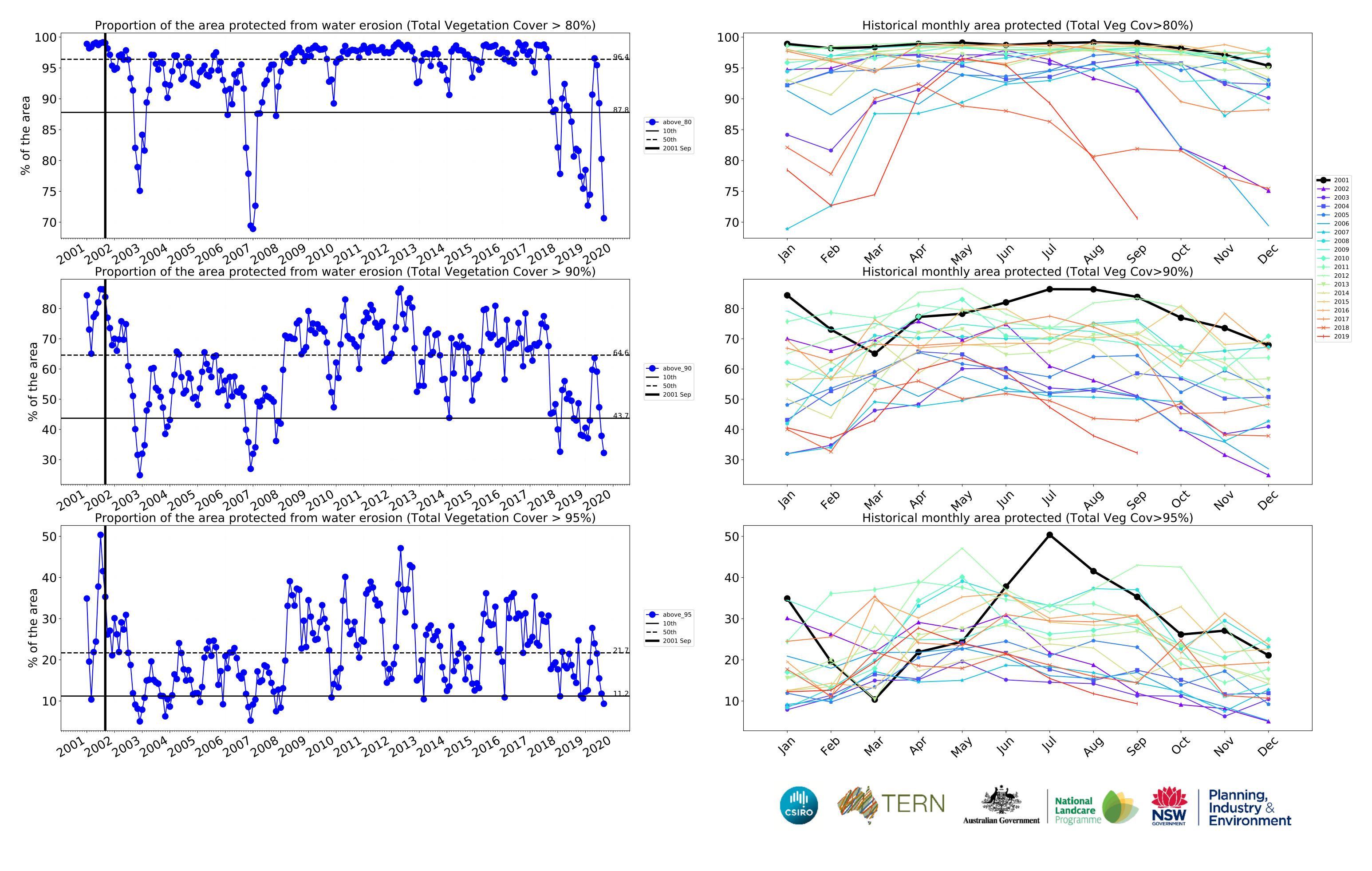




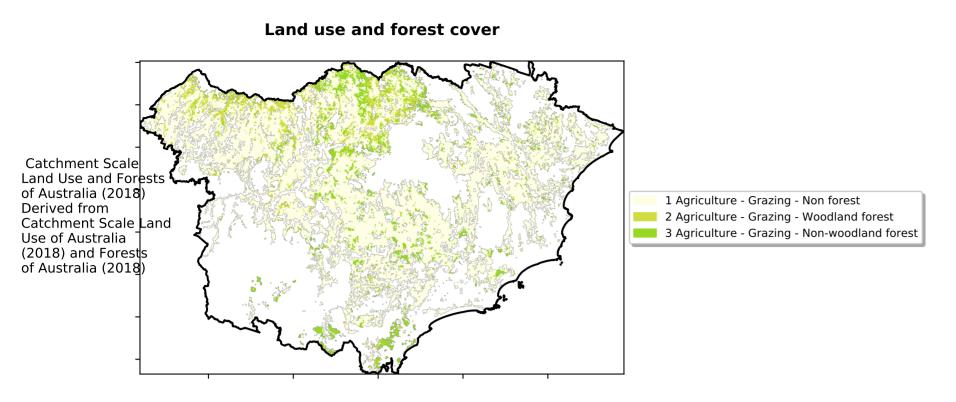
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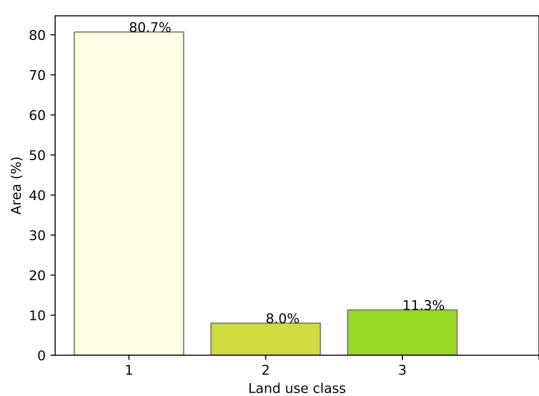




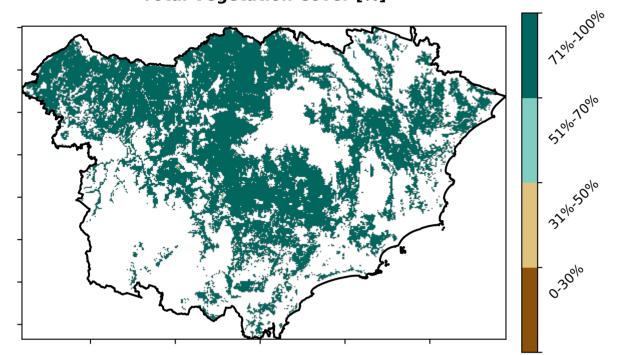
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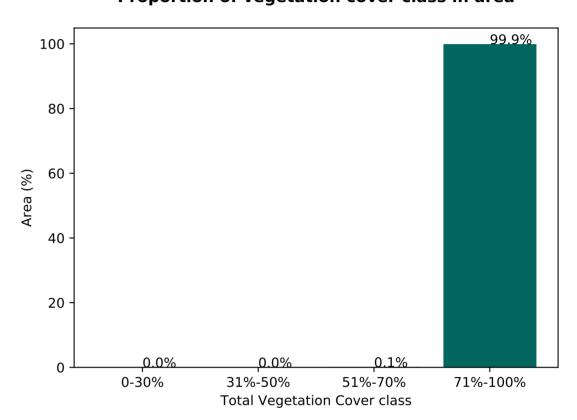
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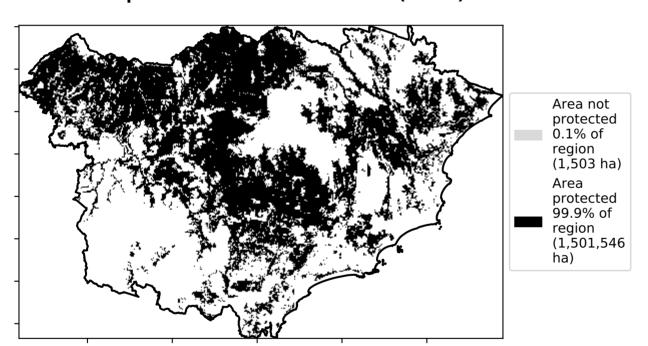
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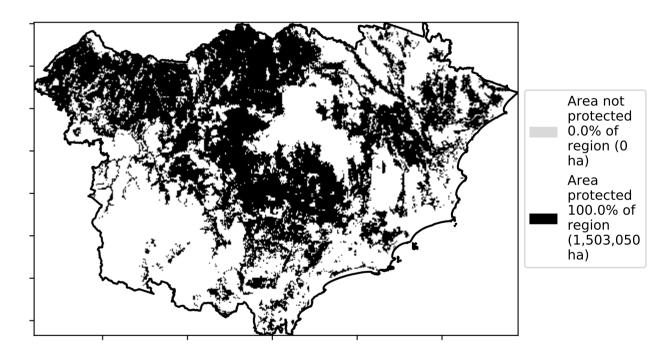
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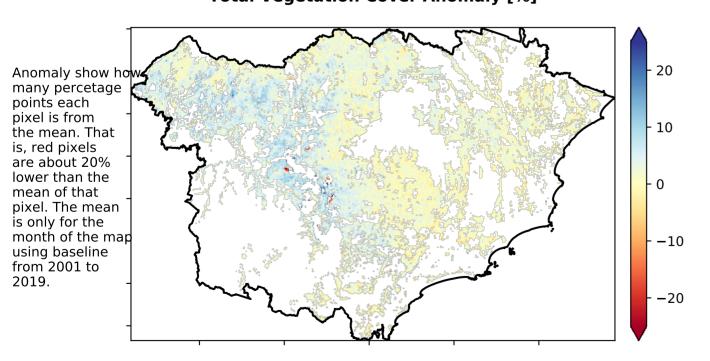
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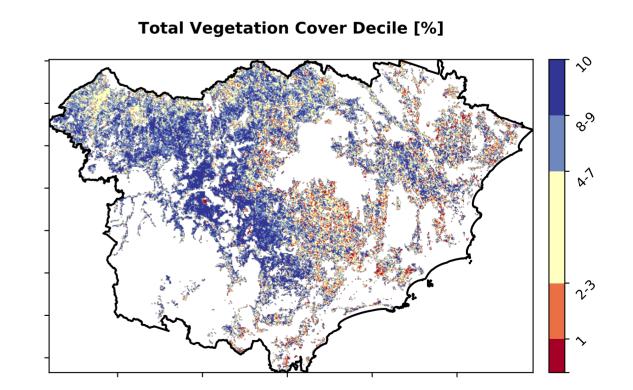
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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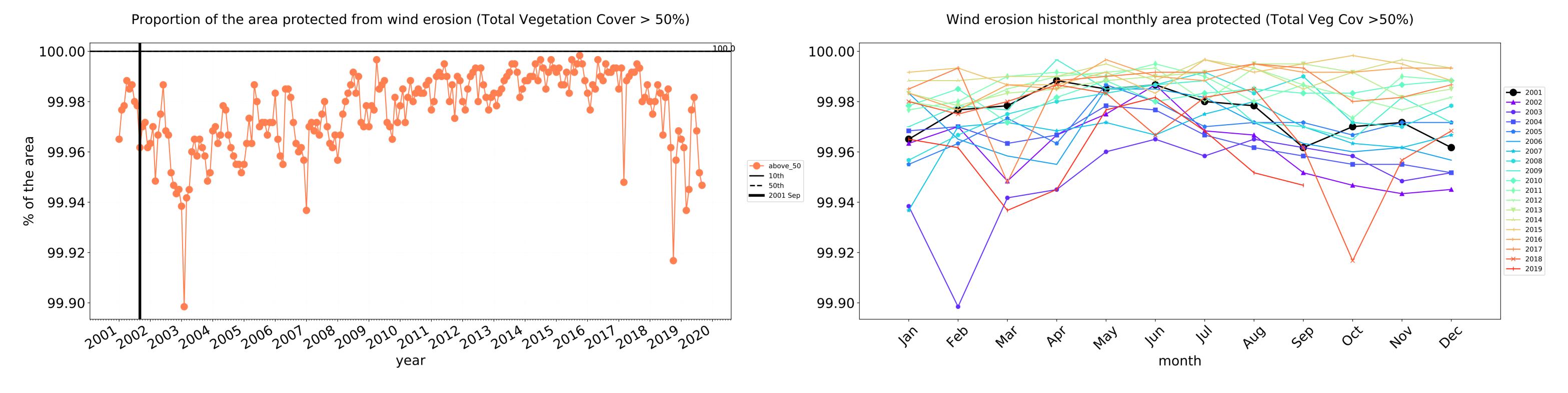


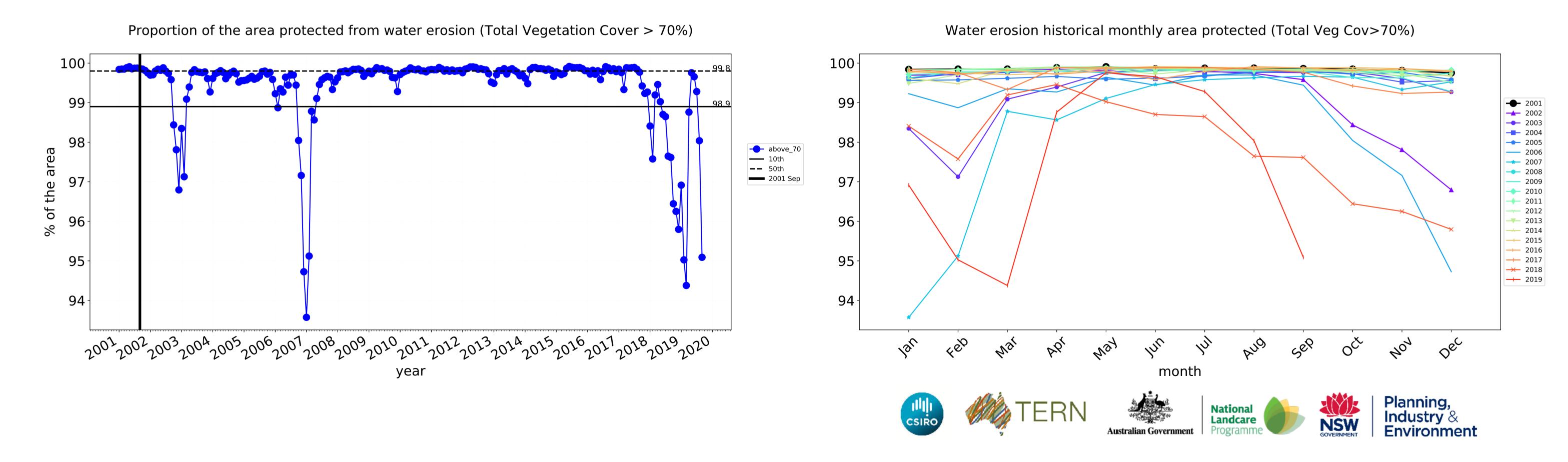


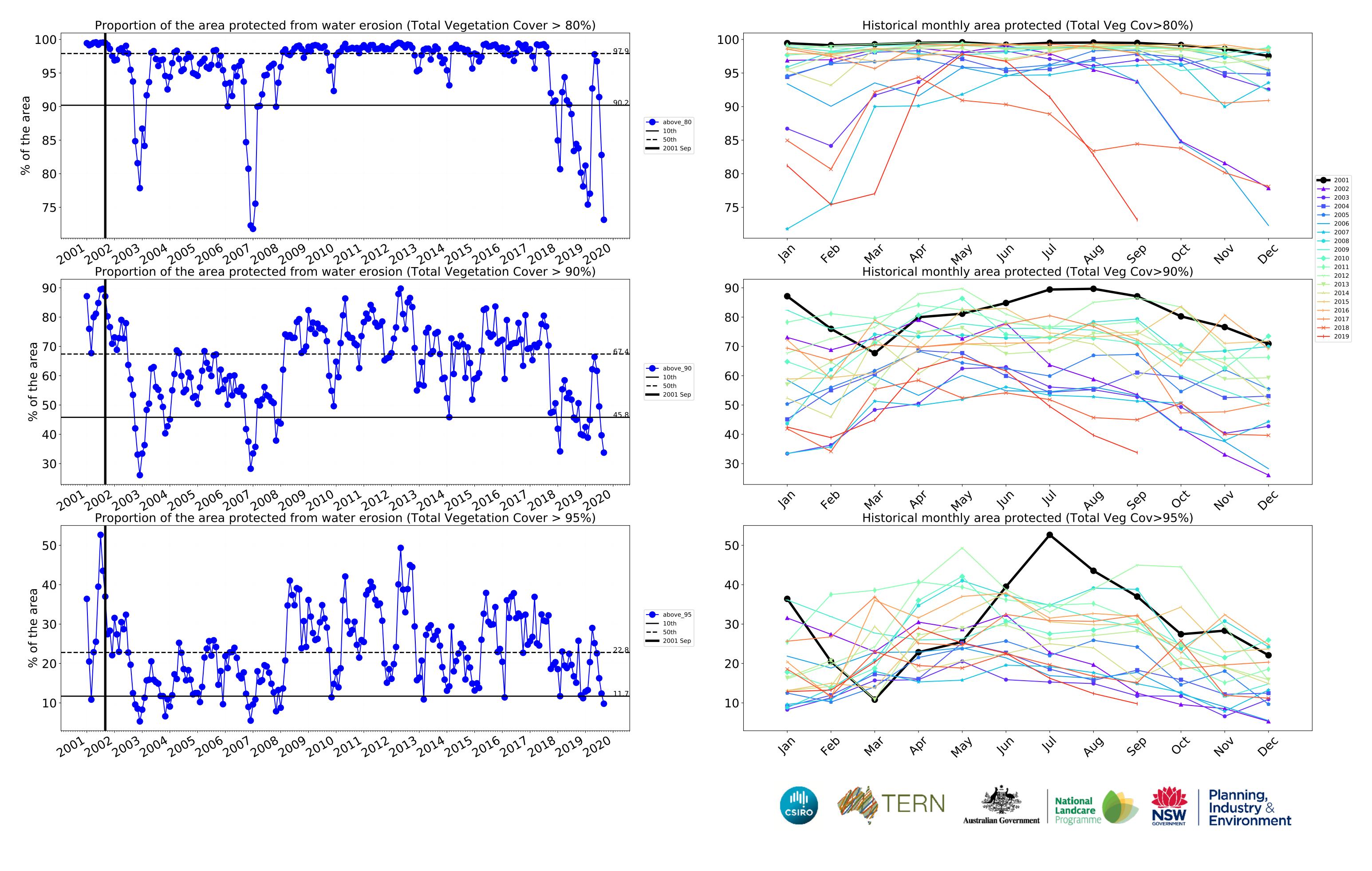




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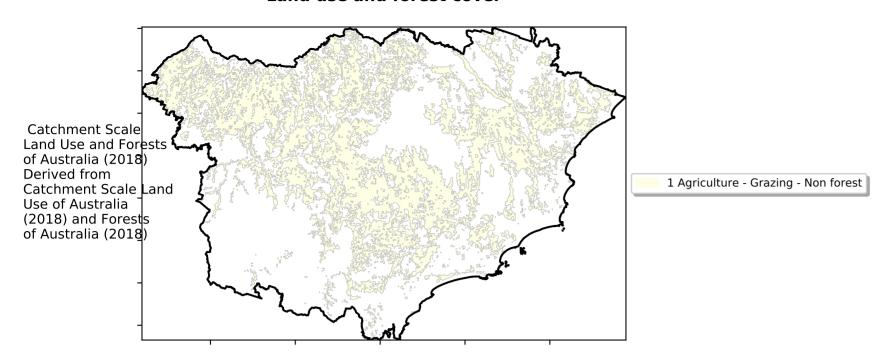




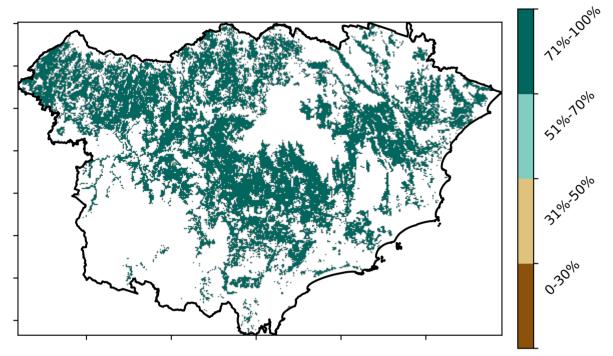


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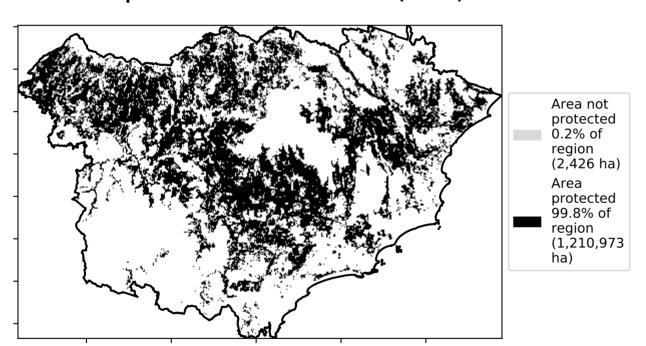
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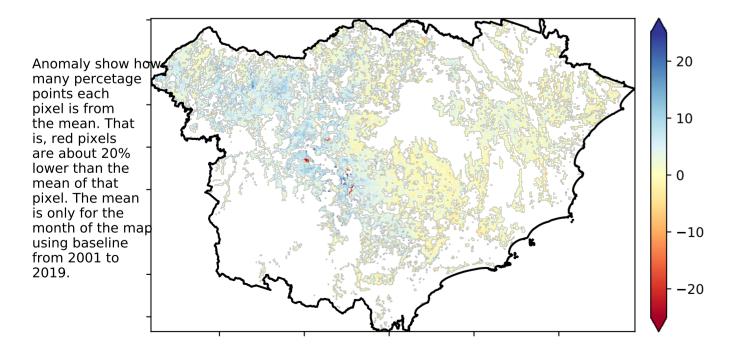
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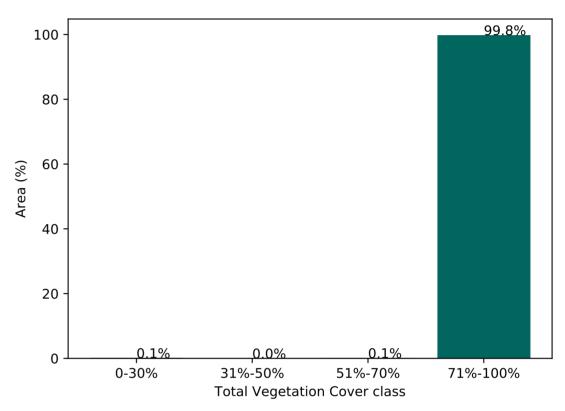


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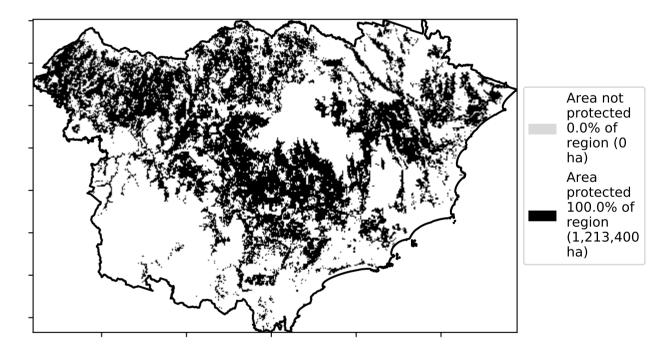


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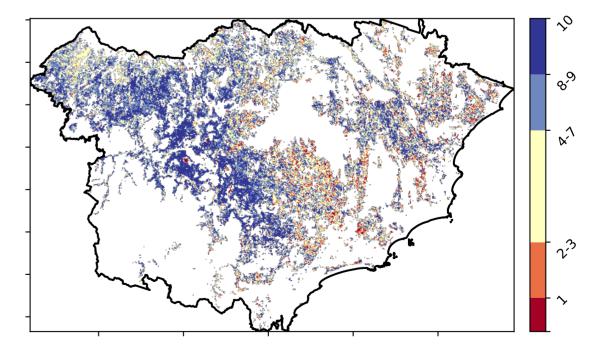
### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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



### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







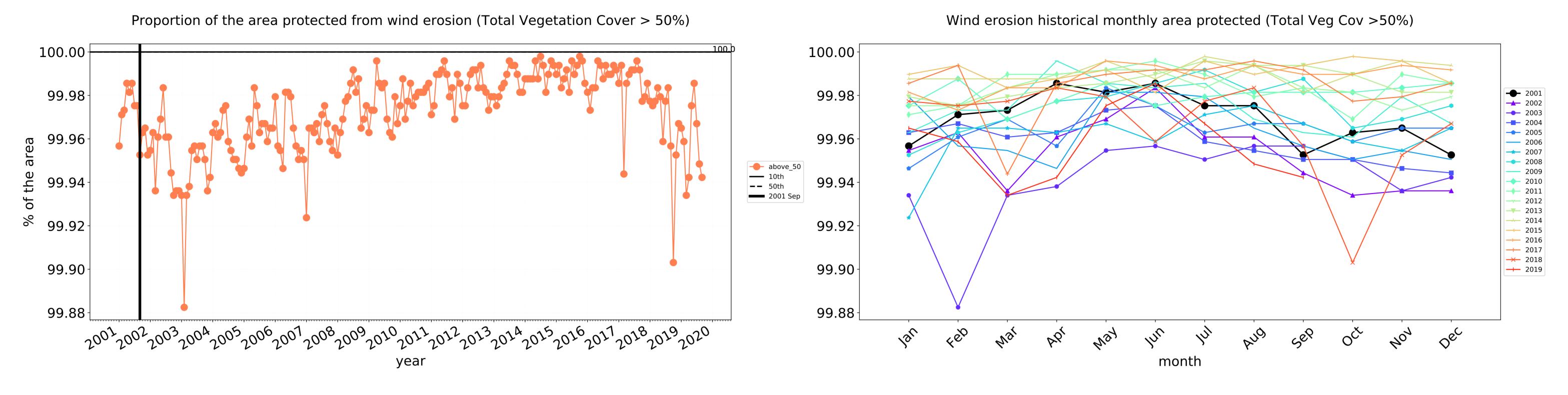


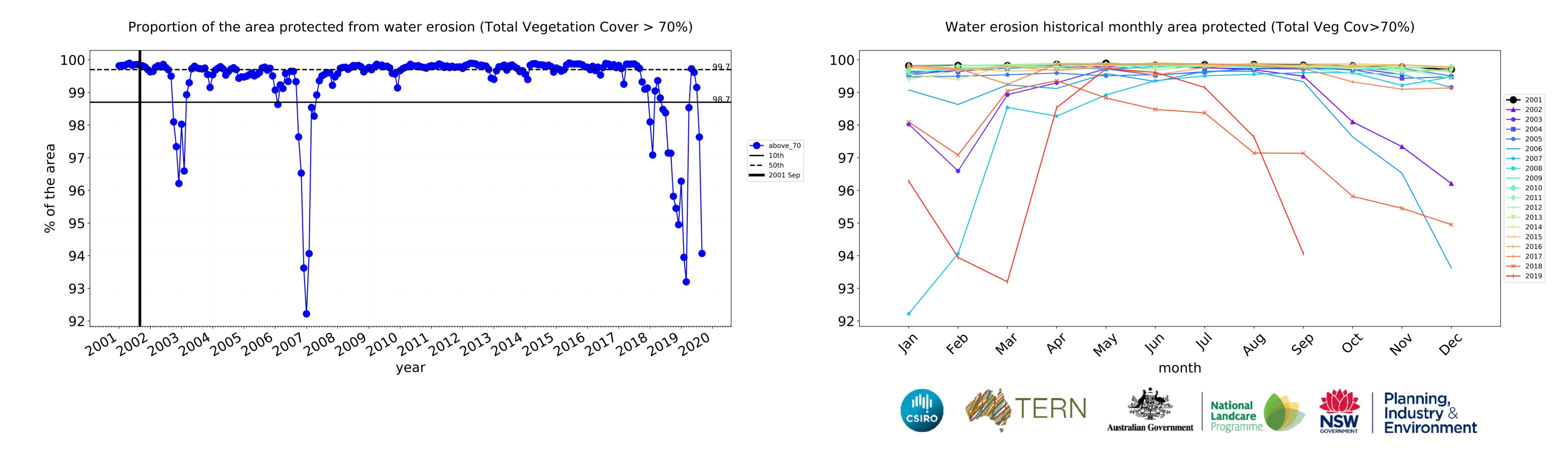


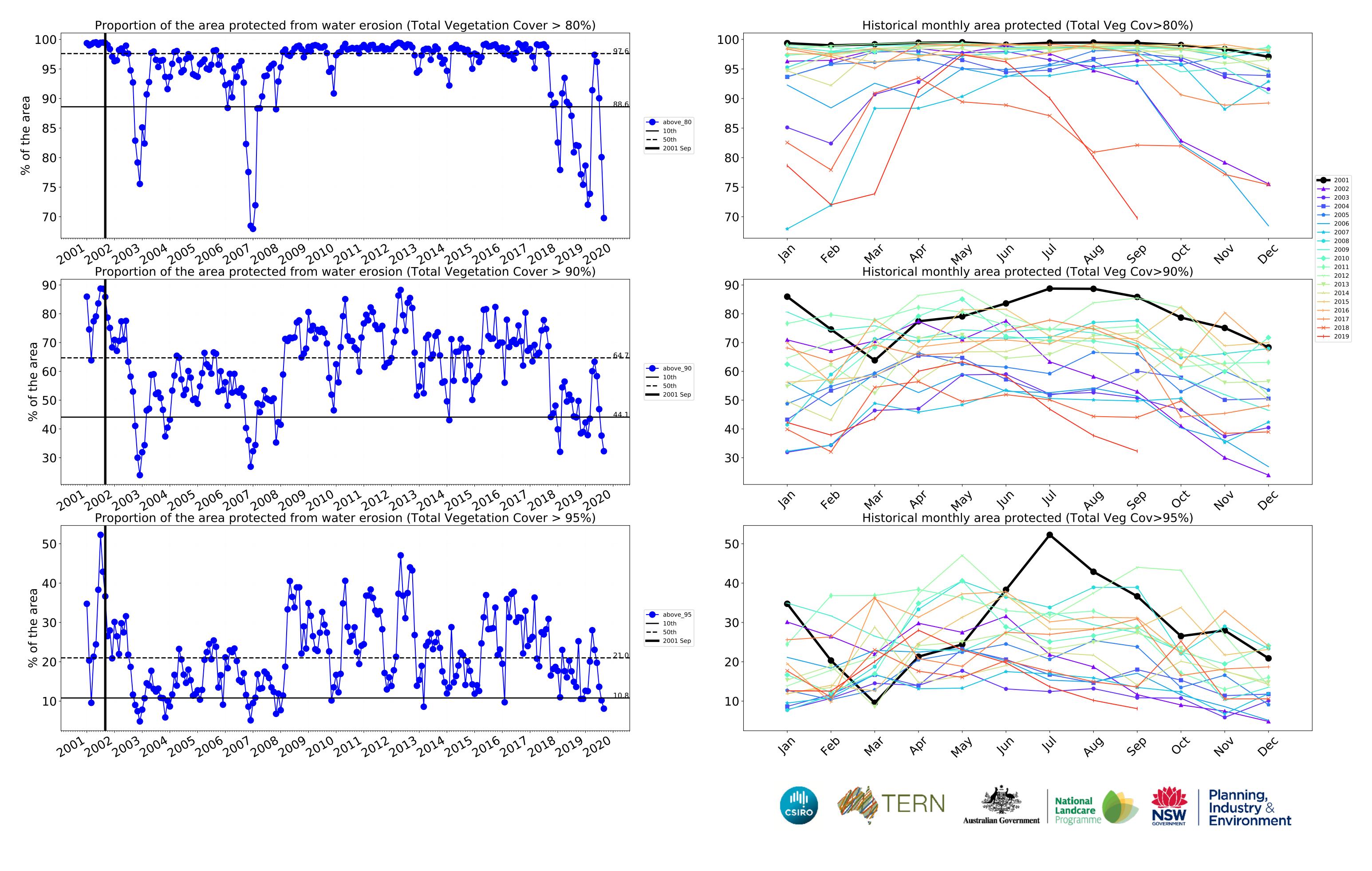




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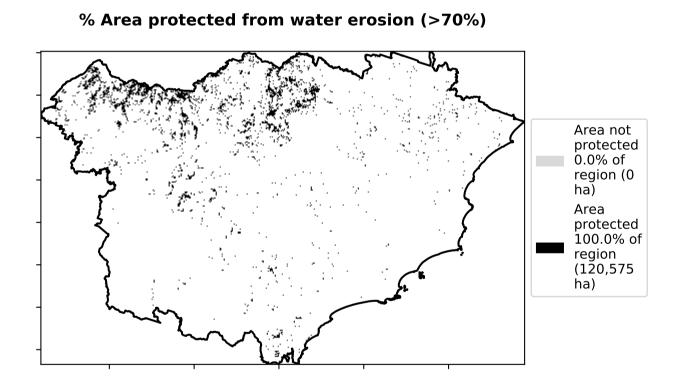


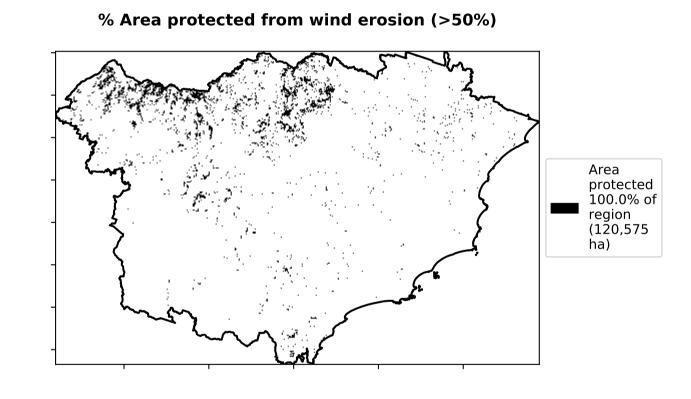
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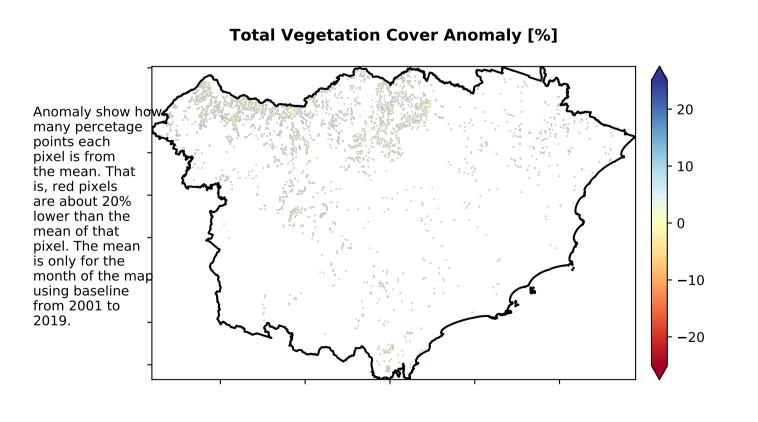
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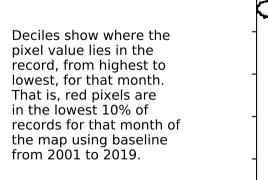
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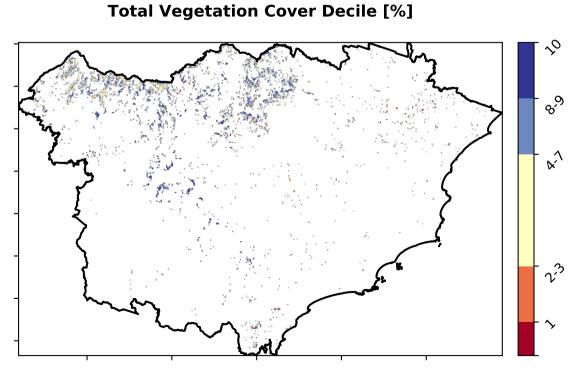




**Proportion of vegetation cover class in area** 











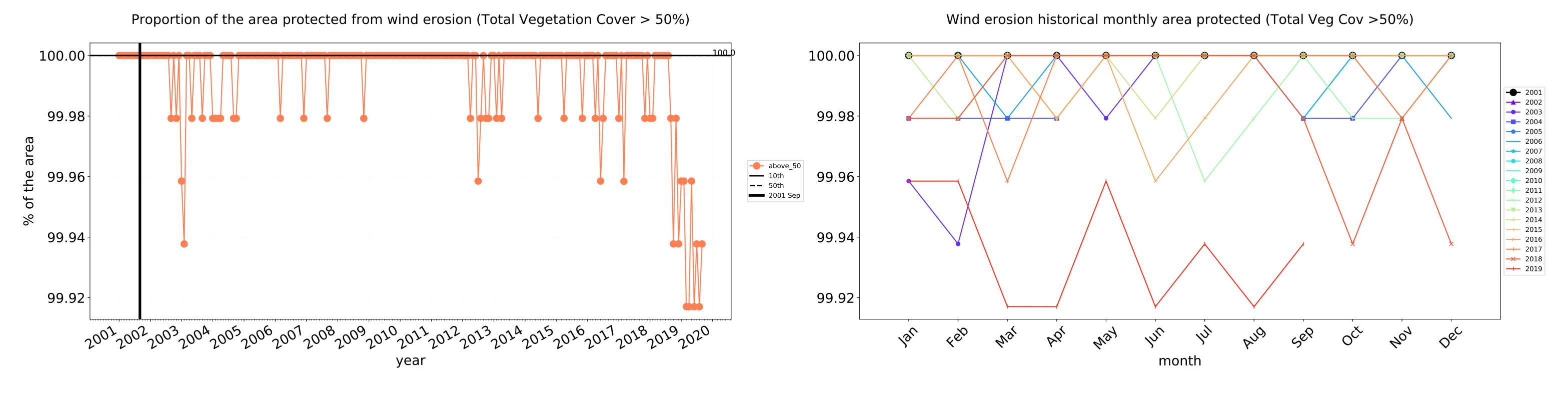


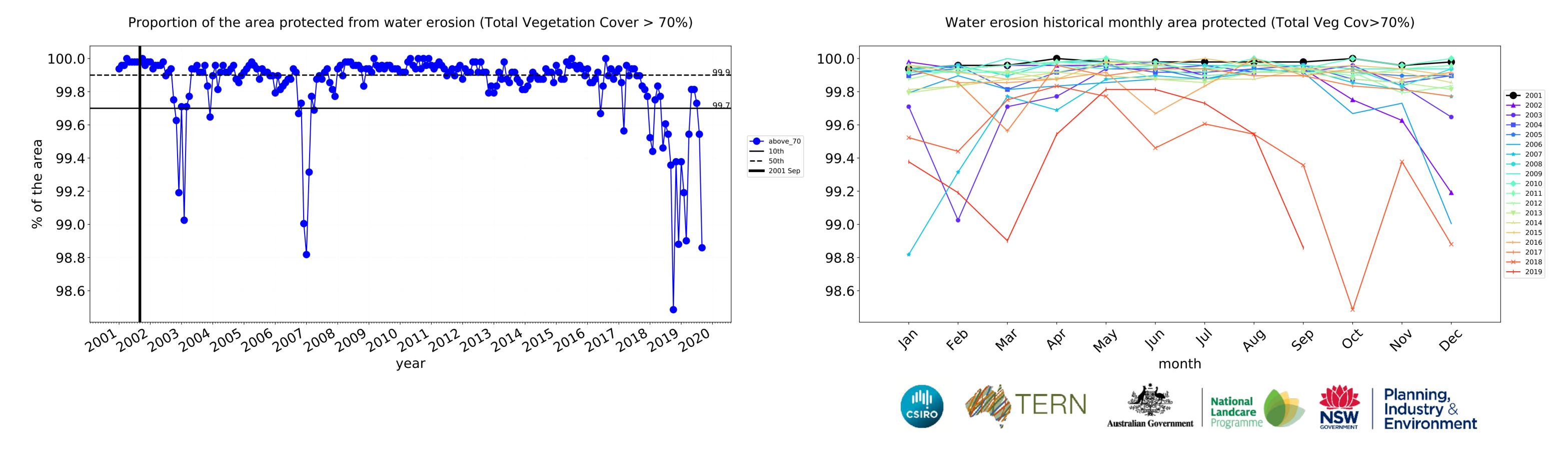


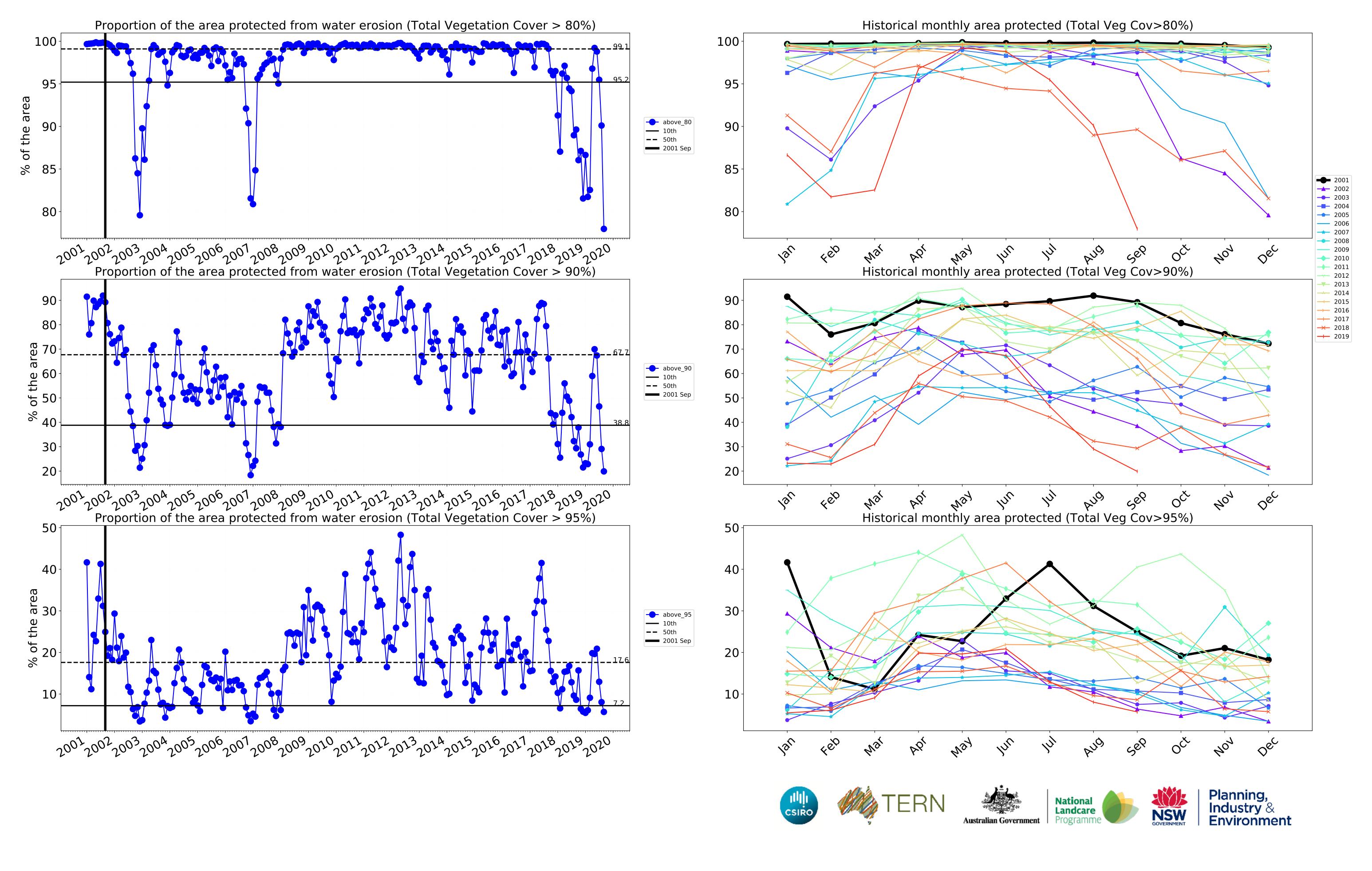




### **Grazing Woodland forest timeseries**





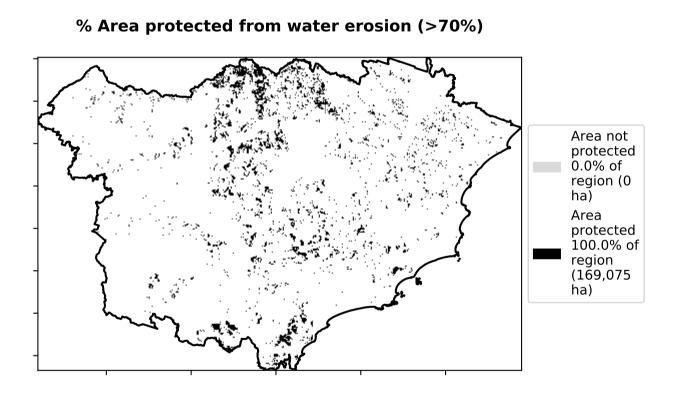


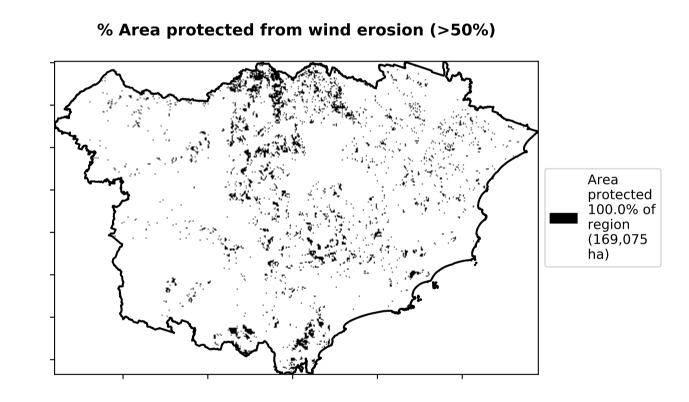
### **Grazing - Forest (non woodland)**

### **Land use and forest cover** Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from 1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

## **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

### 100 Area (%) 60 40 20 -31%-50% 51%-70% 0-30% **Total Vegetation Cover class**



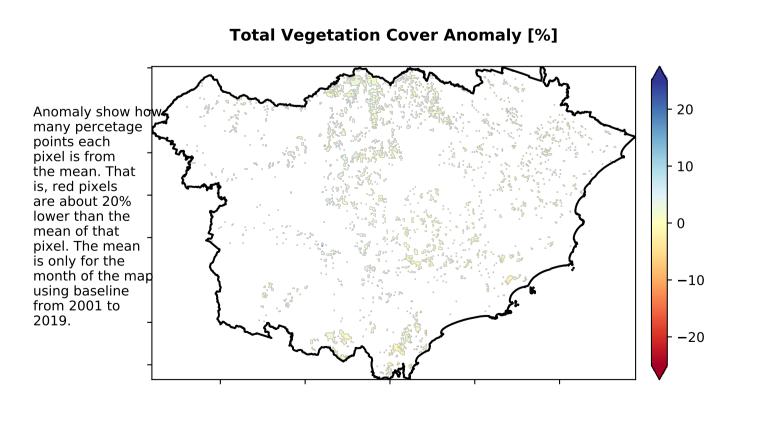


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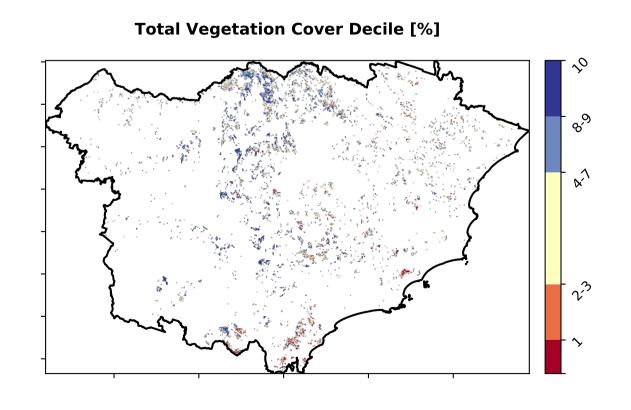
**Proportion of vegetation cover class in area** 

100.0%

71%-100%



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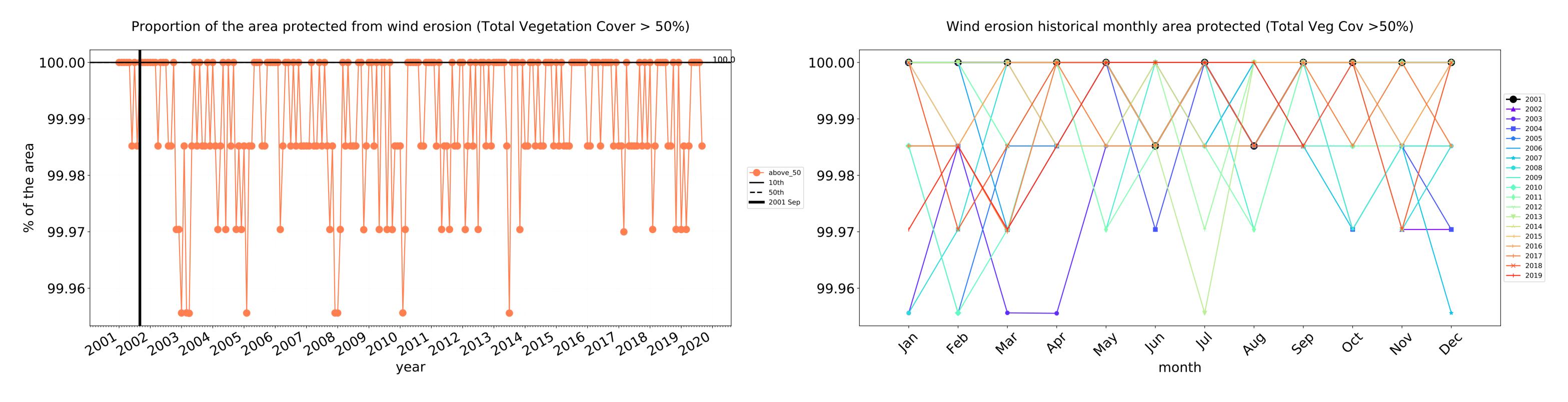


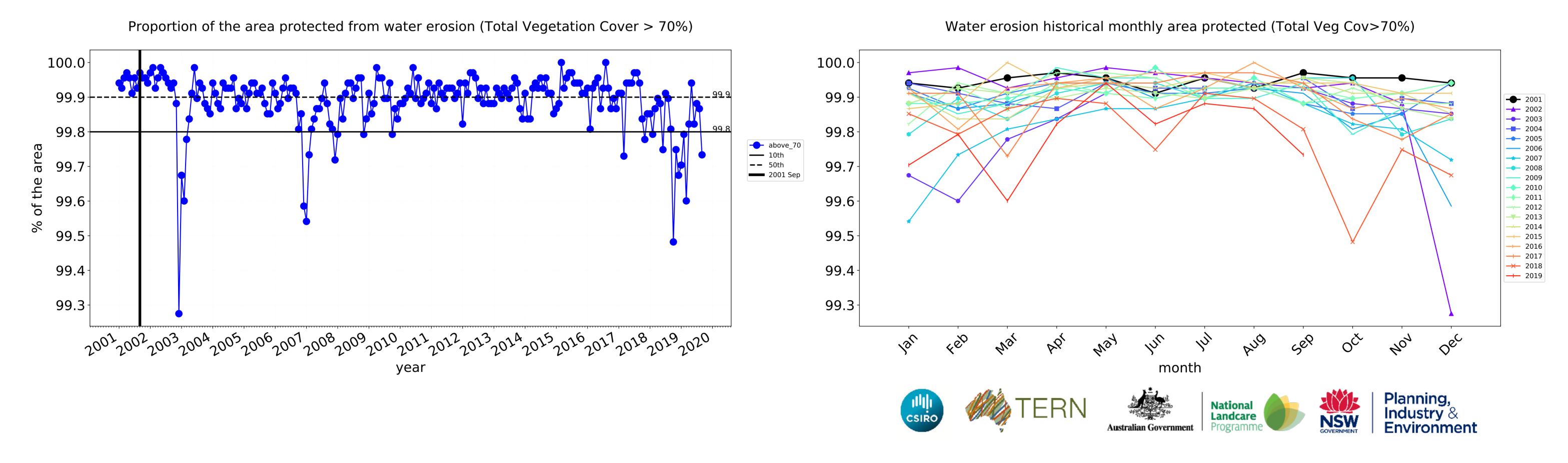


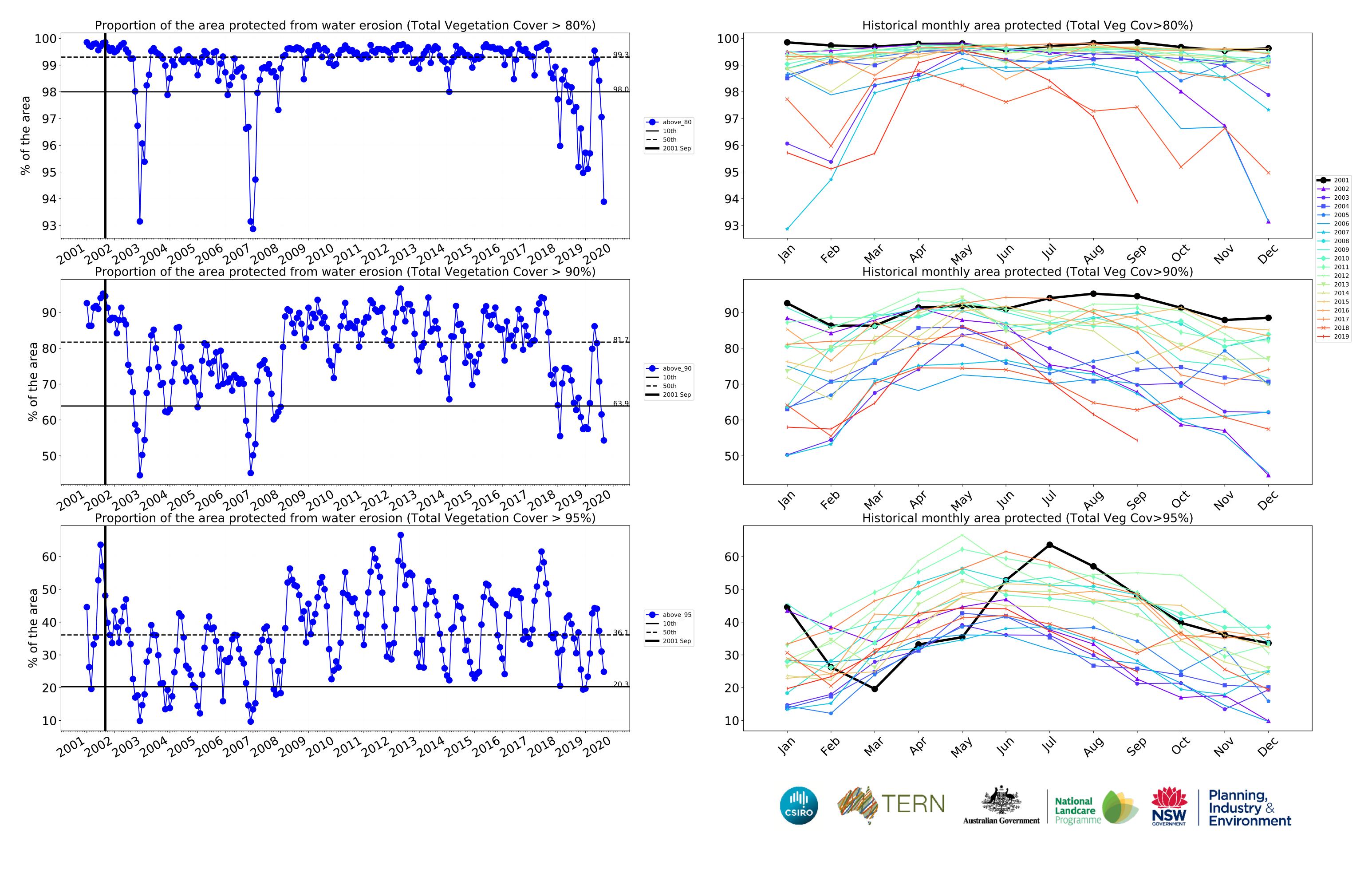






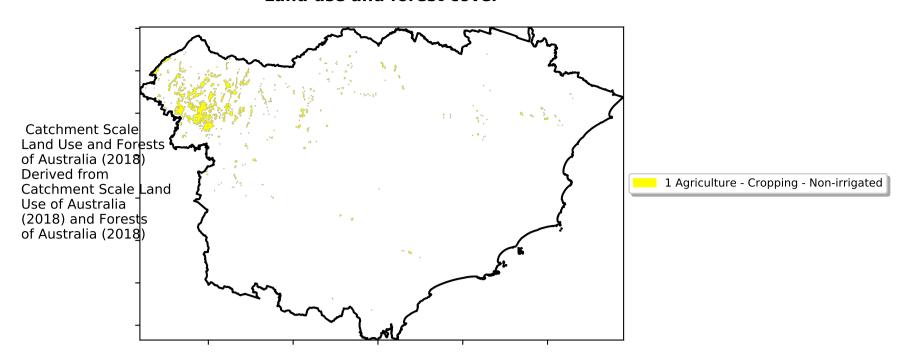




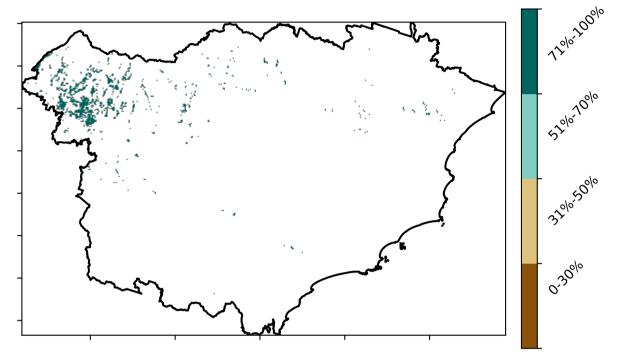


### **Cropping**

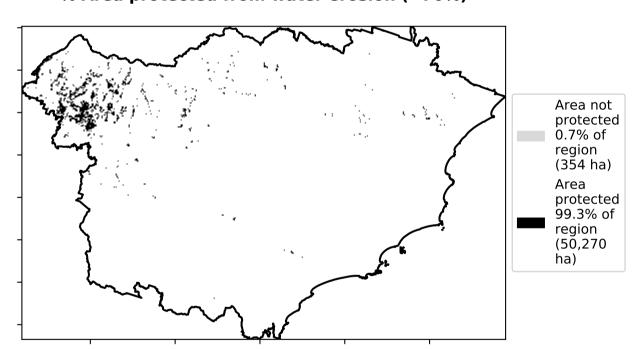
### Land use and forest cover



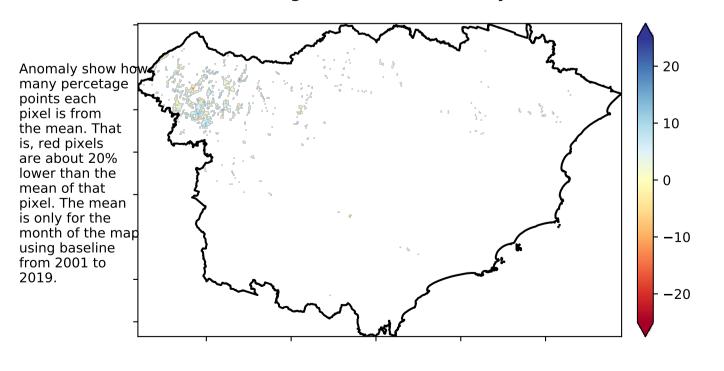
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

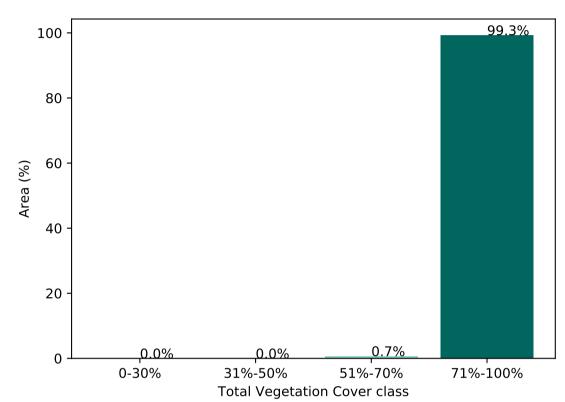


### Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

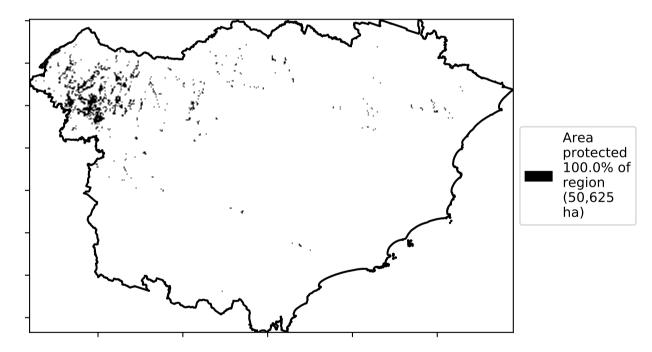


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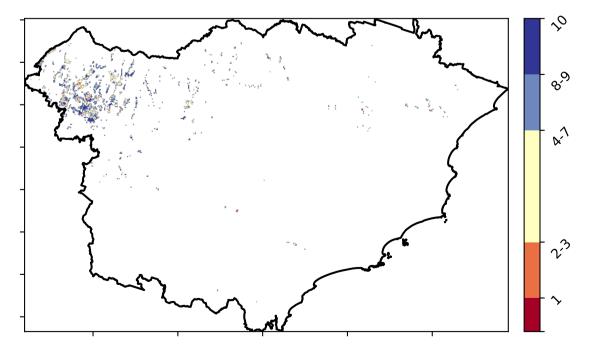
### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







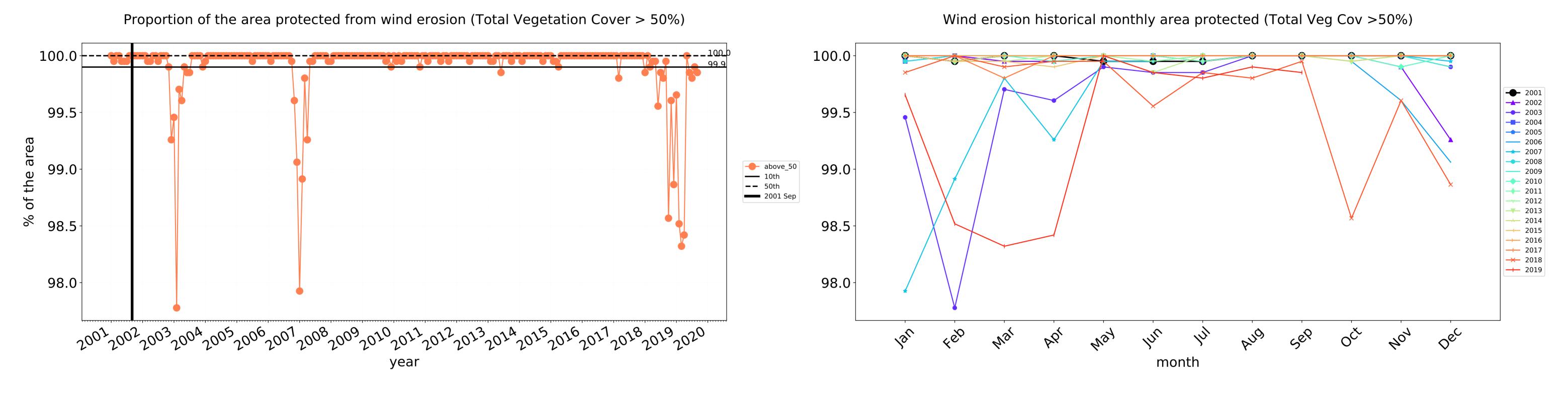


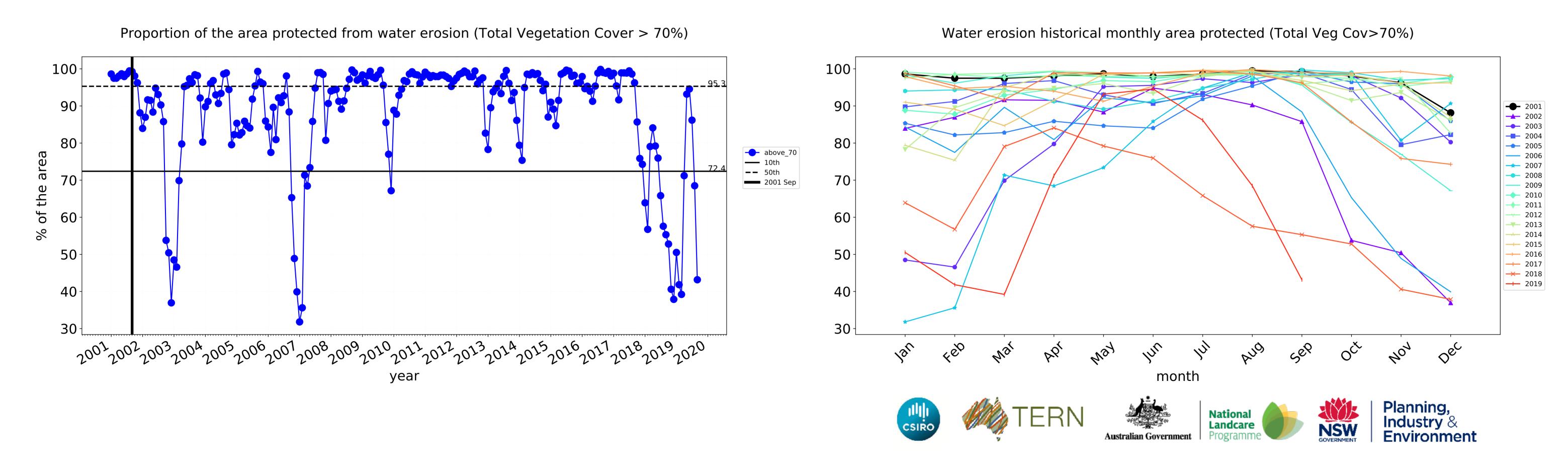


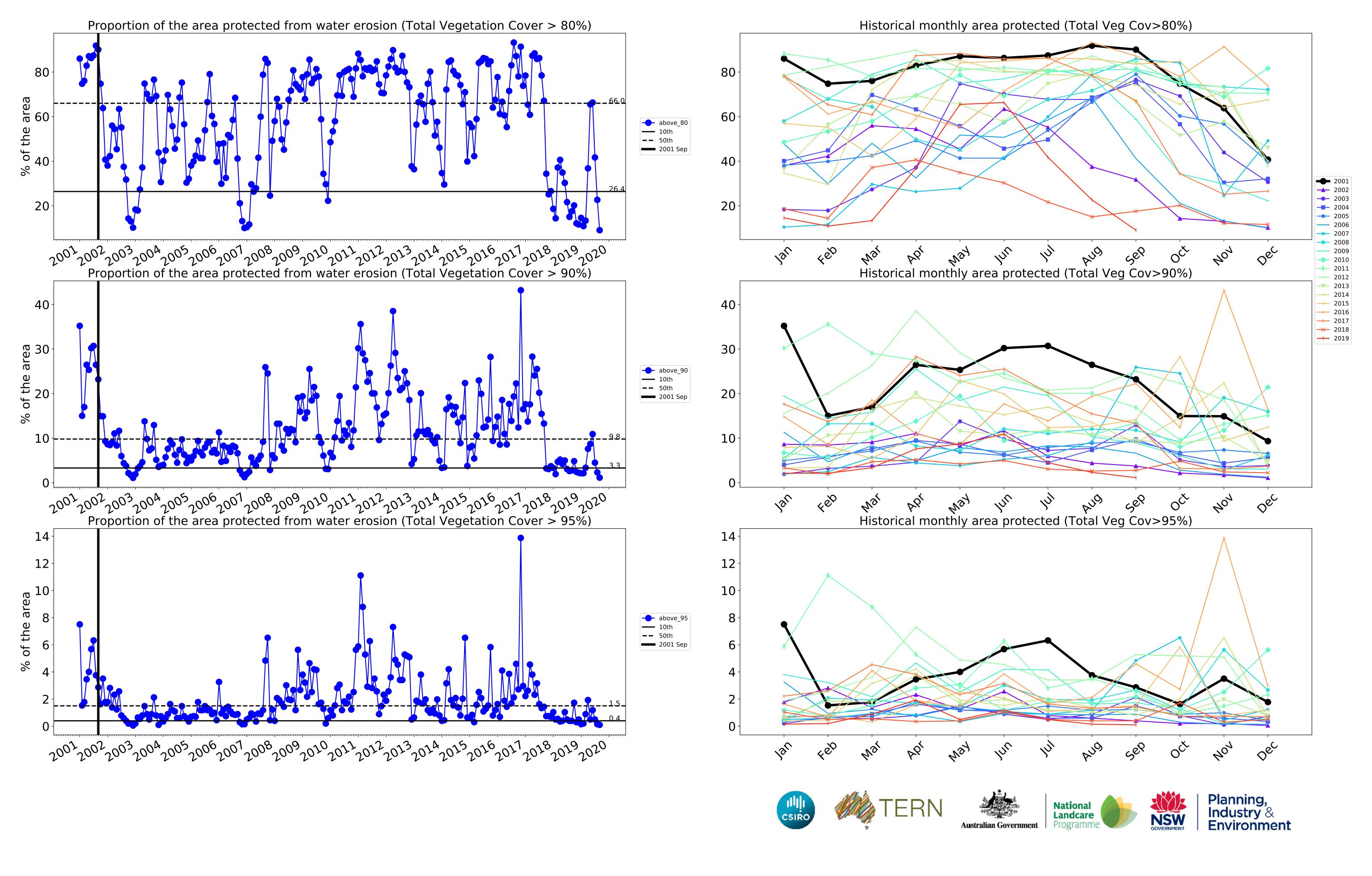




### **Cropping timeseries**





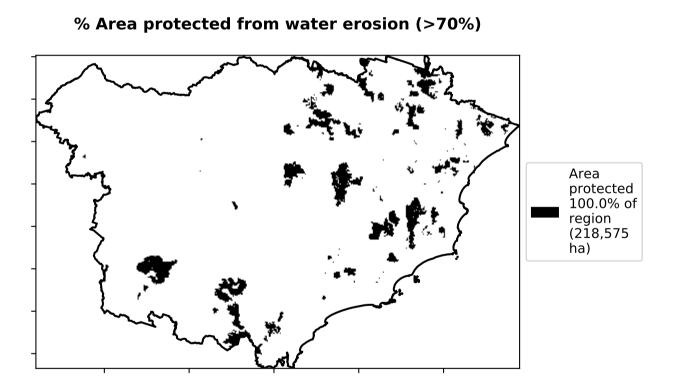


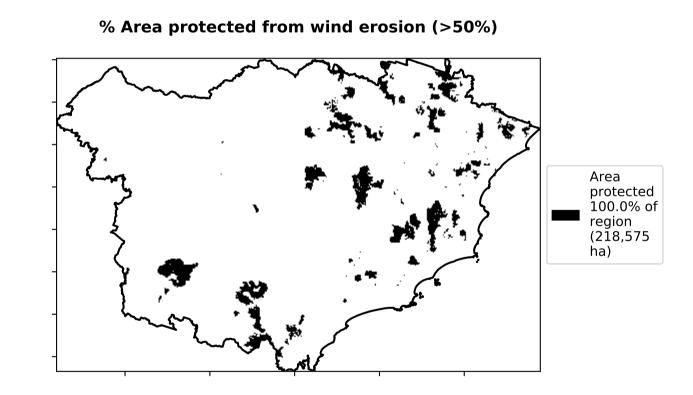
### **Production native forests and plantation forests**

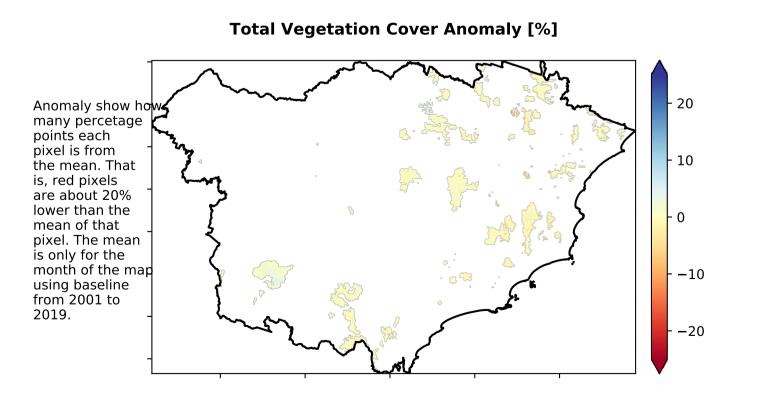
### Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) 1 Production native forests and plantation forests of Australia (2018)

# Total Vegetation Cover [%]

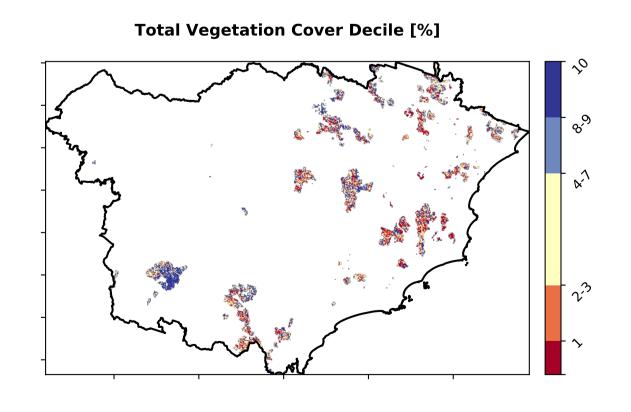
# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 100 - 100.0% 80 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 0.0% 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% 71%-100% Total Vegetation Cover class







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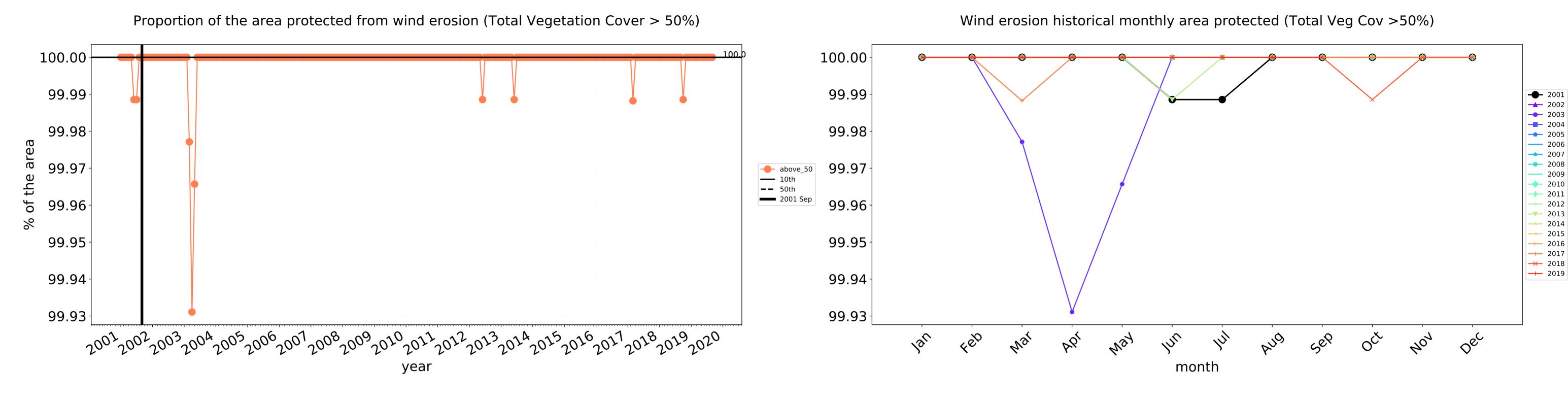


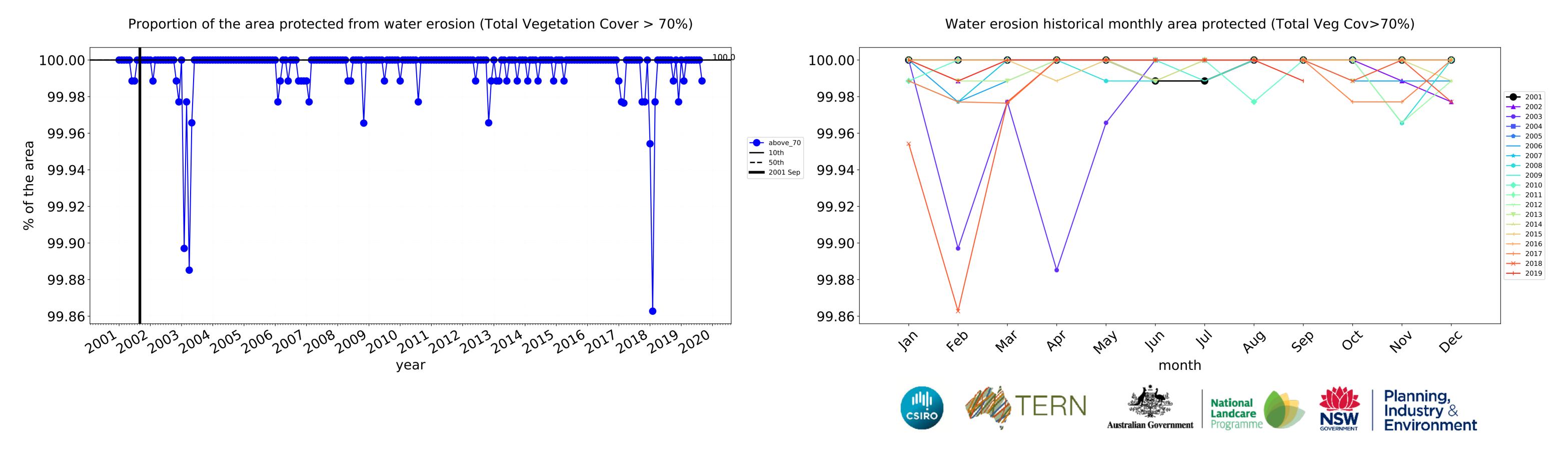


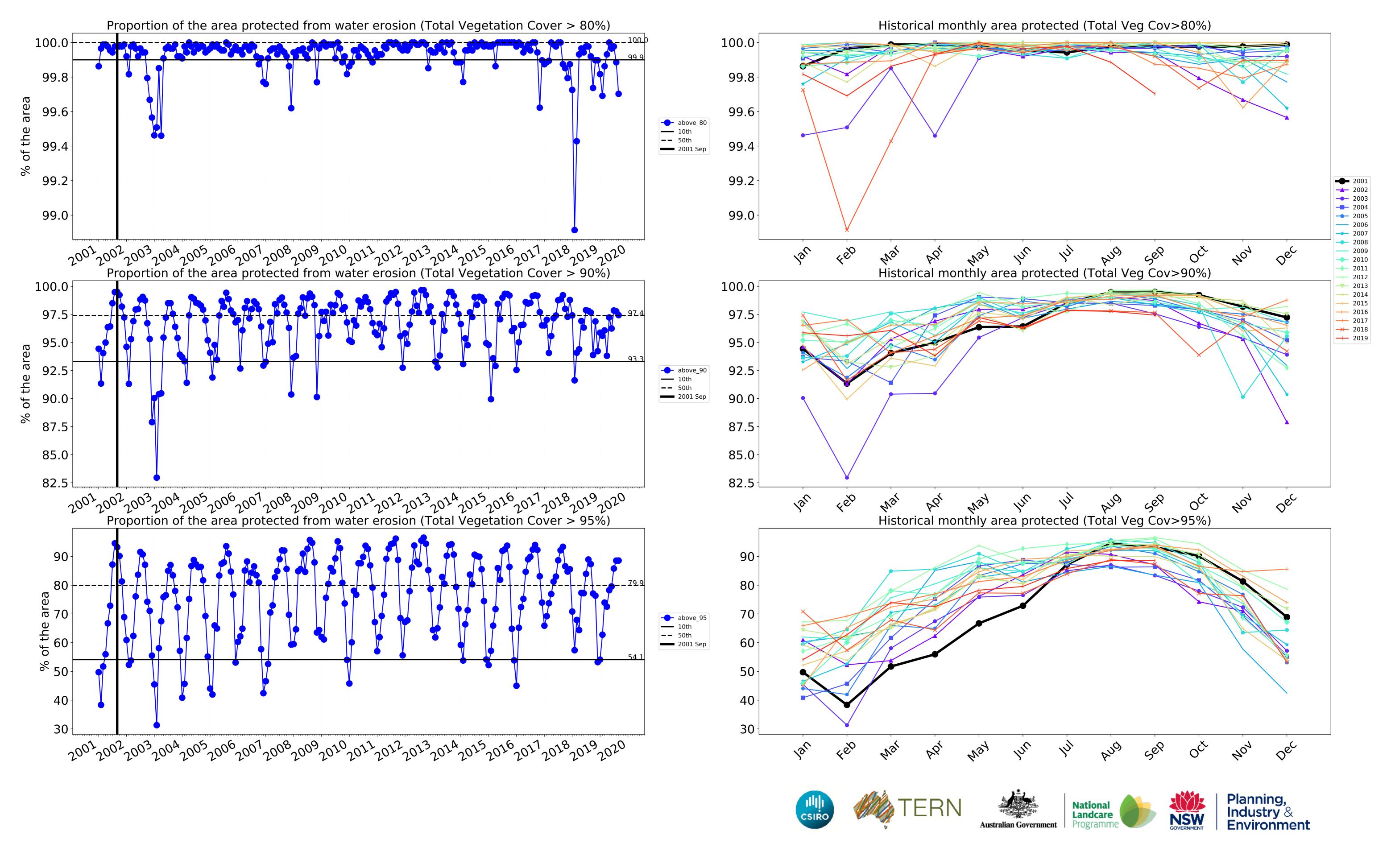




### **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**







### Hunter (3,238,275 ha and no data 62,150 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	3,238,275	100.0% 3,236,778	99.8% 3,231,988	99.2% 3,213,604	98.0% 3,172,270	87.4% 2,829,826	52.2% 1,689,344
Conservation and natural environments	1,243,625	99.9% 1,242,650	99.9% 1,241,875	99.8% 1,240,700	99.6% 1,238,525	96.6% 1,201,350	72.6% 903,175
Conservation and natural environments non forest	31,875	97.0% 30,925	94.7% 30,200	91.8% 29,275	88.0% 28,050	70.7% 22,550	35.1% 11,175
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	139,100	100.0% 139,100	100.0% 139,100	100.0% 139,075	99.9% 138,975	91.2% 126,800	43.6% 60,625
natural environments Forest (non woodland)	1,072,650	100.0% 1,072,625	100.0% 1,072,575	100.0% 1,072,350	99.9% 1,071,500	98.1% 1,052,000	77.5% 831,375
Agriculture	1,581,050	100.0% 1,581,025	100.0% 1,580,475	99.8% 1,578,500	99.0% 1,565,850	83.9% 1,325,775	35.3% 558,050
Grazing	1,503,050	100.0% 1,503,025	100.0% 1,502,475	99.9% 1,500,975	99.5% 1,495,225	87.1% 1,309,175	37.0% 556,050
Grazing non forest	1,213,400	100.0% 1,213,375	100.0% 1,212,825	99.8% 1,211,400	99.4% 1,206,050	85.9% 1,041,800	36.6% 444,650
Grazing Woodland forest	120,575	100.0% 120,575	100.0% 120,575	100.0% 120,550	99.8% 120,350	89.2% 107,575	24.9% 30,075
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	169,075	100.0% 169,075	100.0% 169,075	100.0% 169,025	99.9% 168,825	94.5% 159,800	48.1% 81,325
Cropping	50,625	100.0% 50,625	100.0% 50,625	99.3% 50,250	90.1% 45,600	23.2% 11,750	2.9% 1,450
Production native forests and plantation forests	218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,525	99.5% 217,500	93.2% 203,725











