Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Hunter NSW

Date: January 2003

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 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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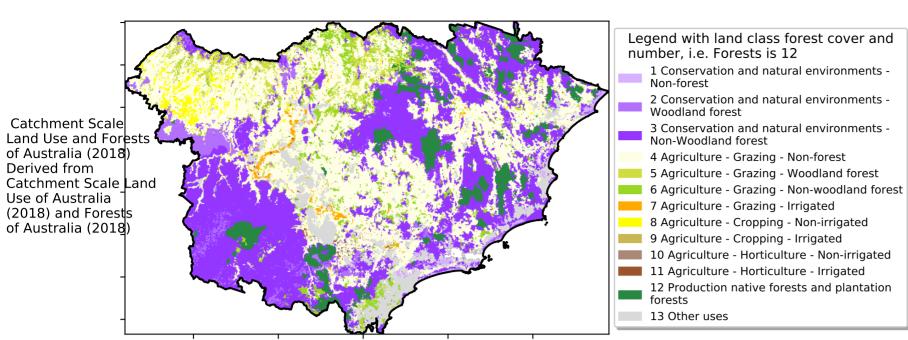




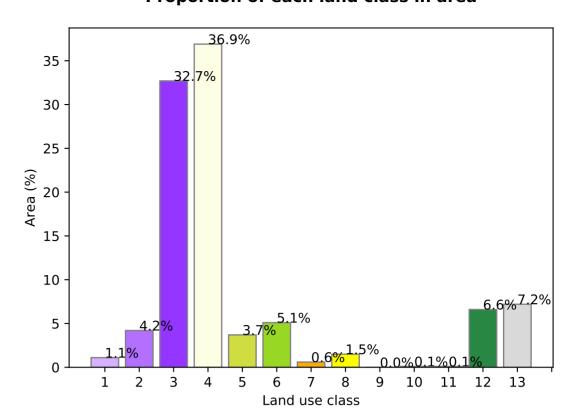


Vegetation Cover Jan 2003

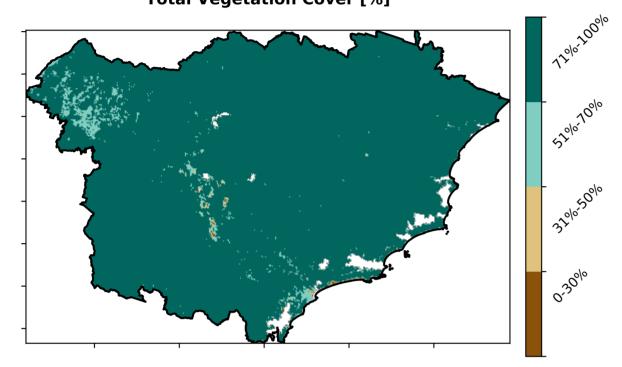
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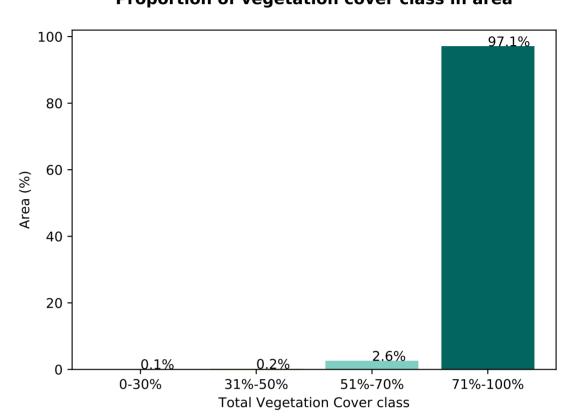
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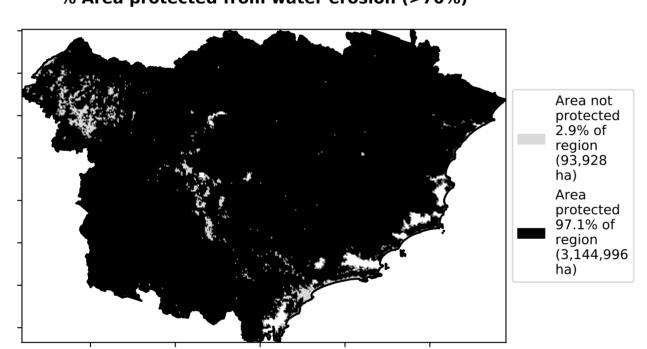
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



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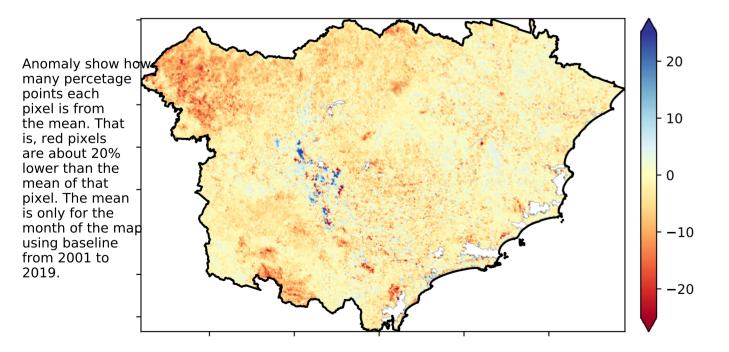
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

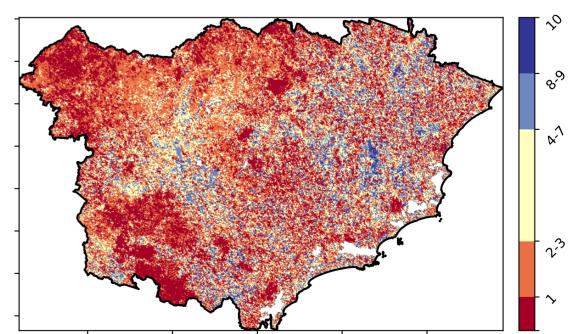


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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





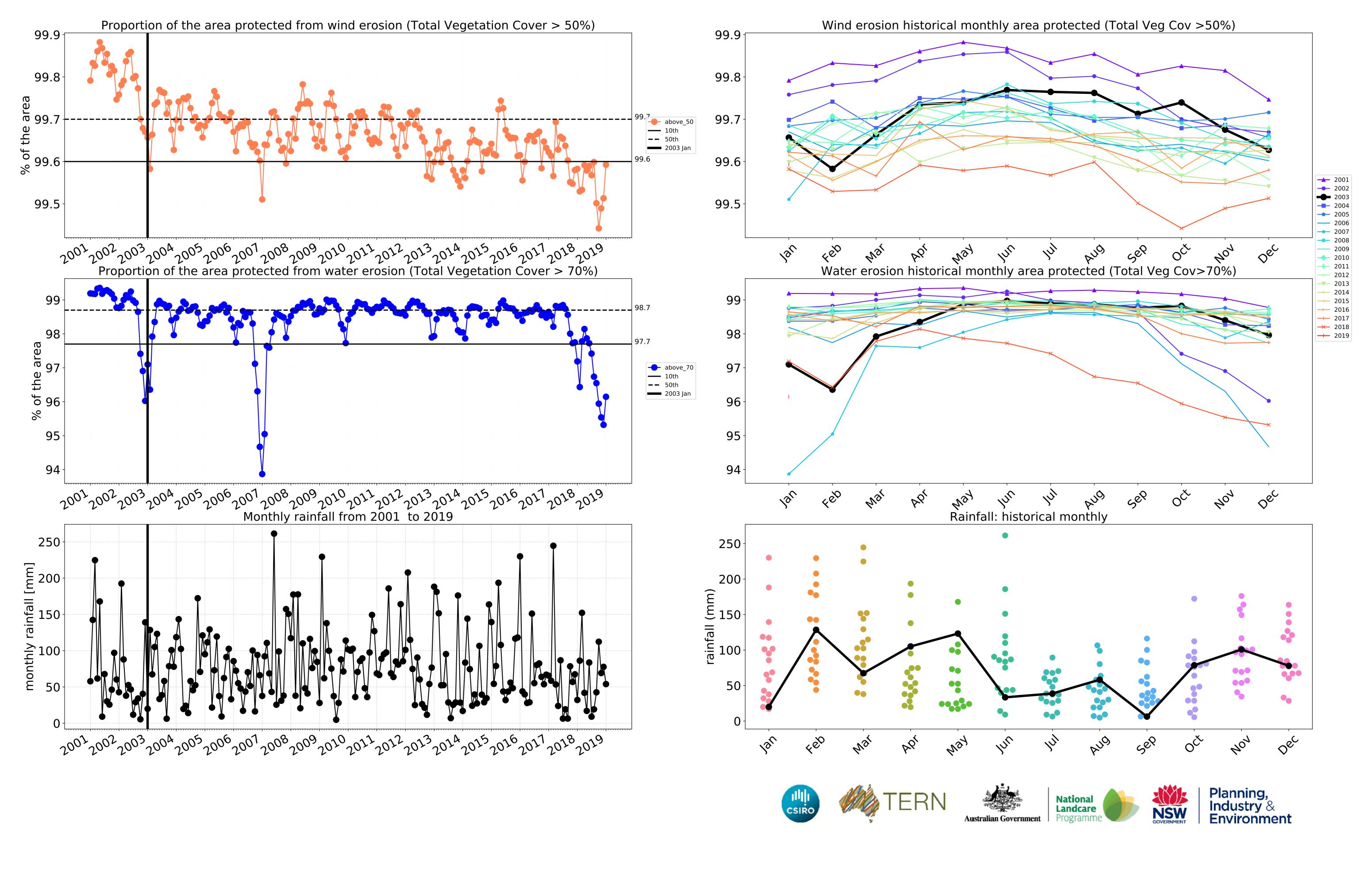


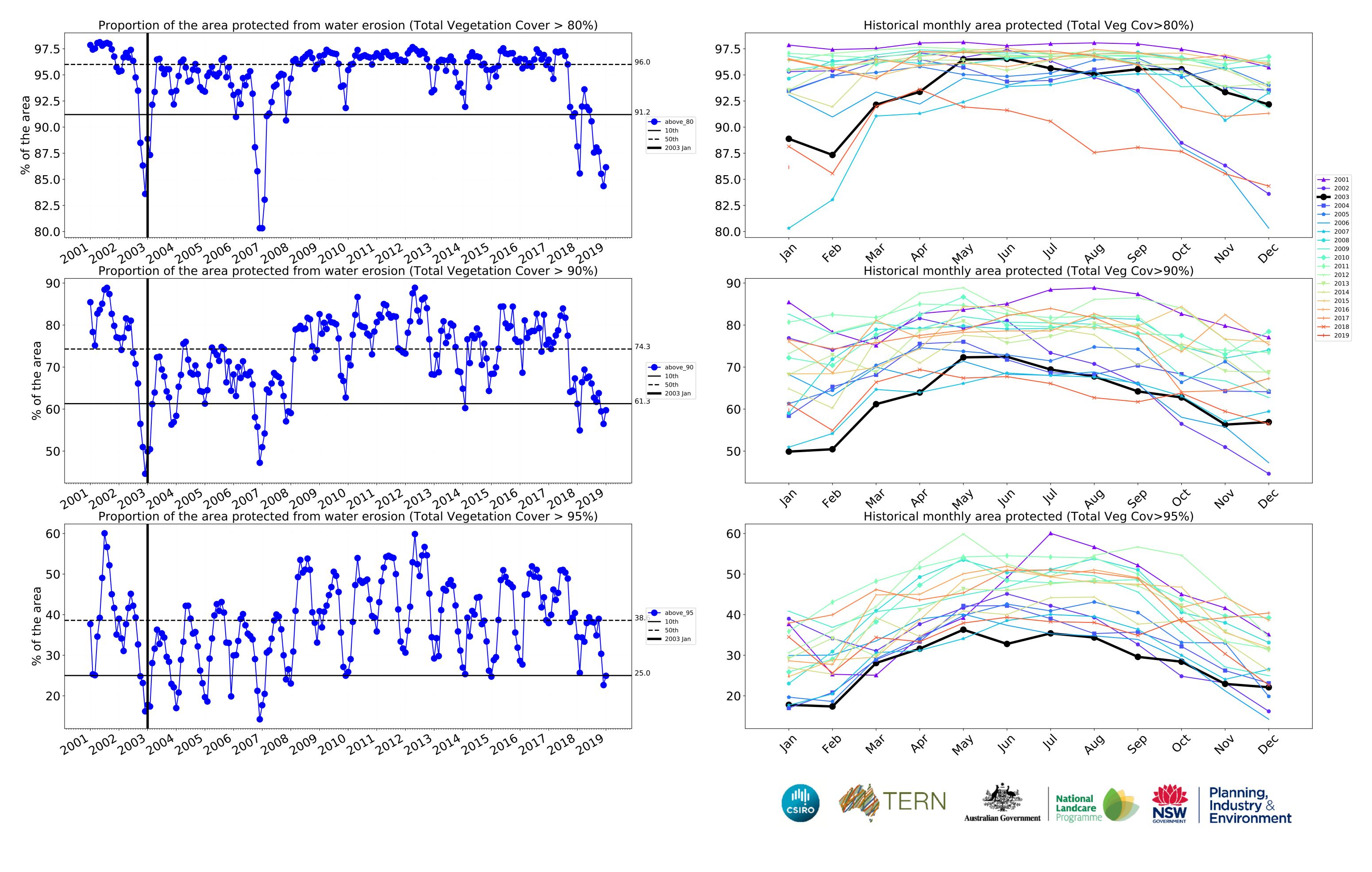




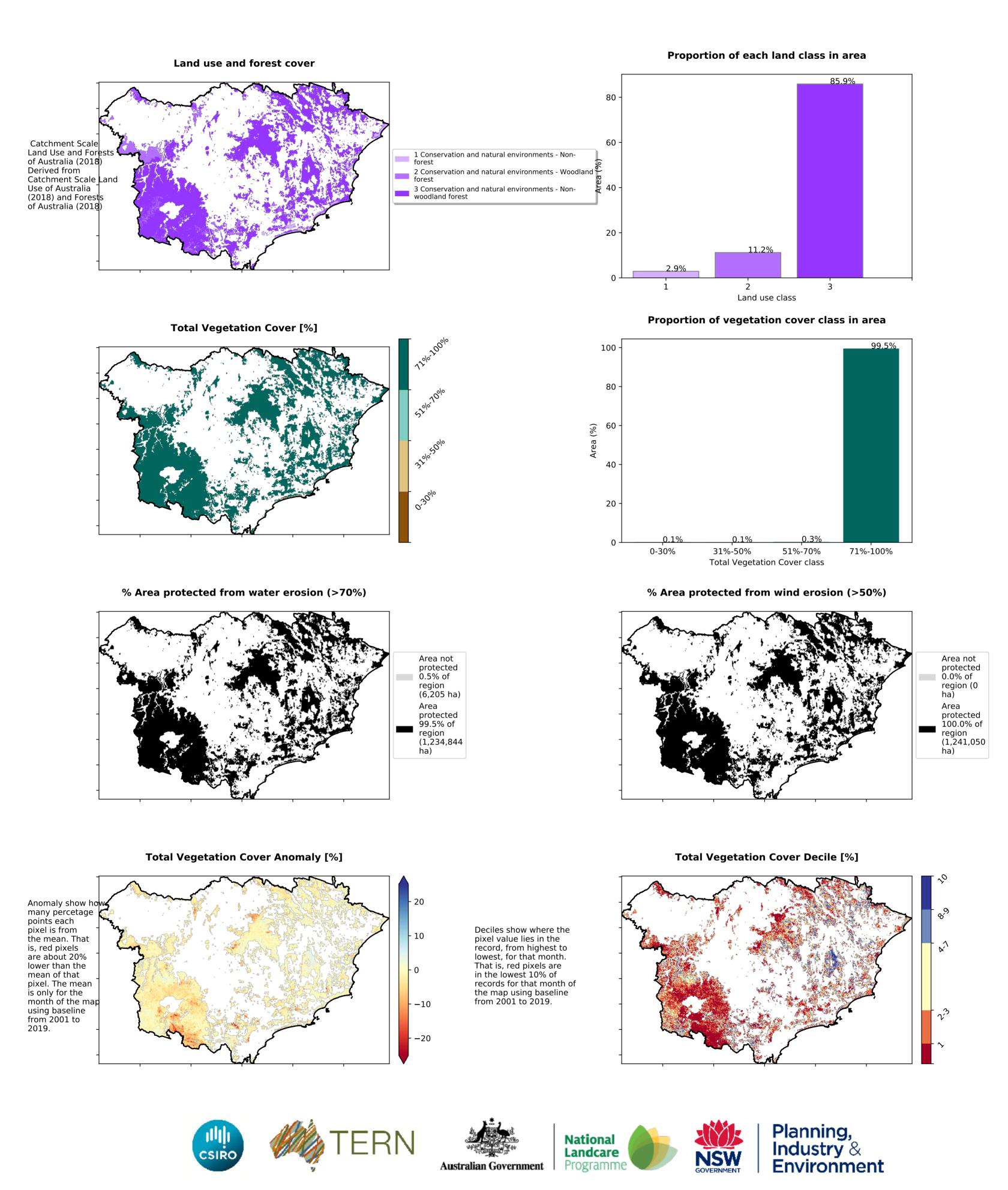




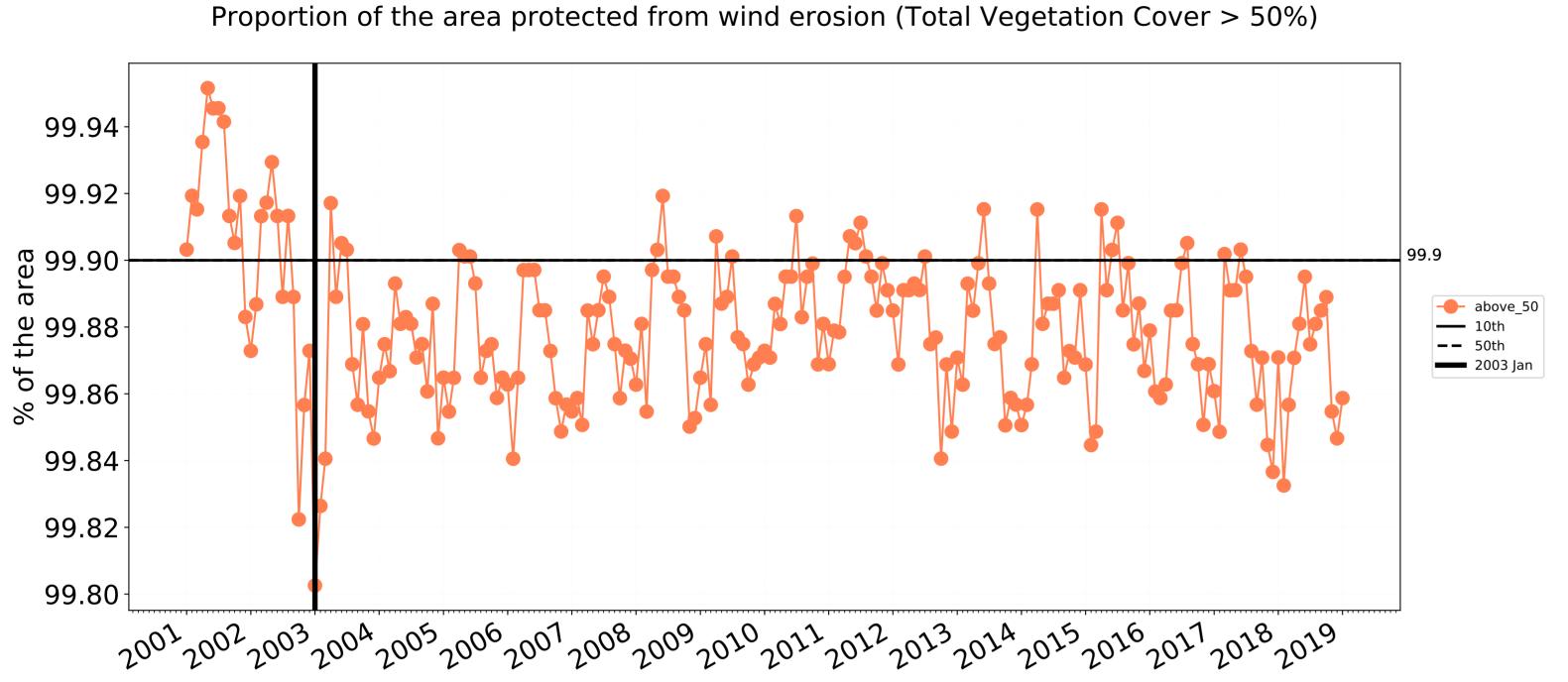




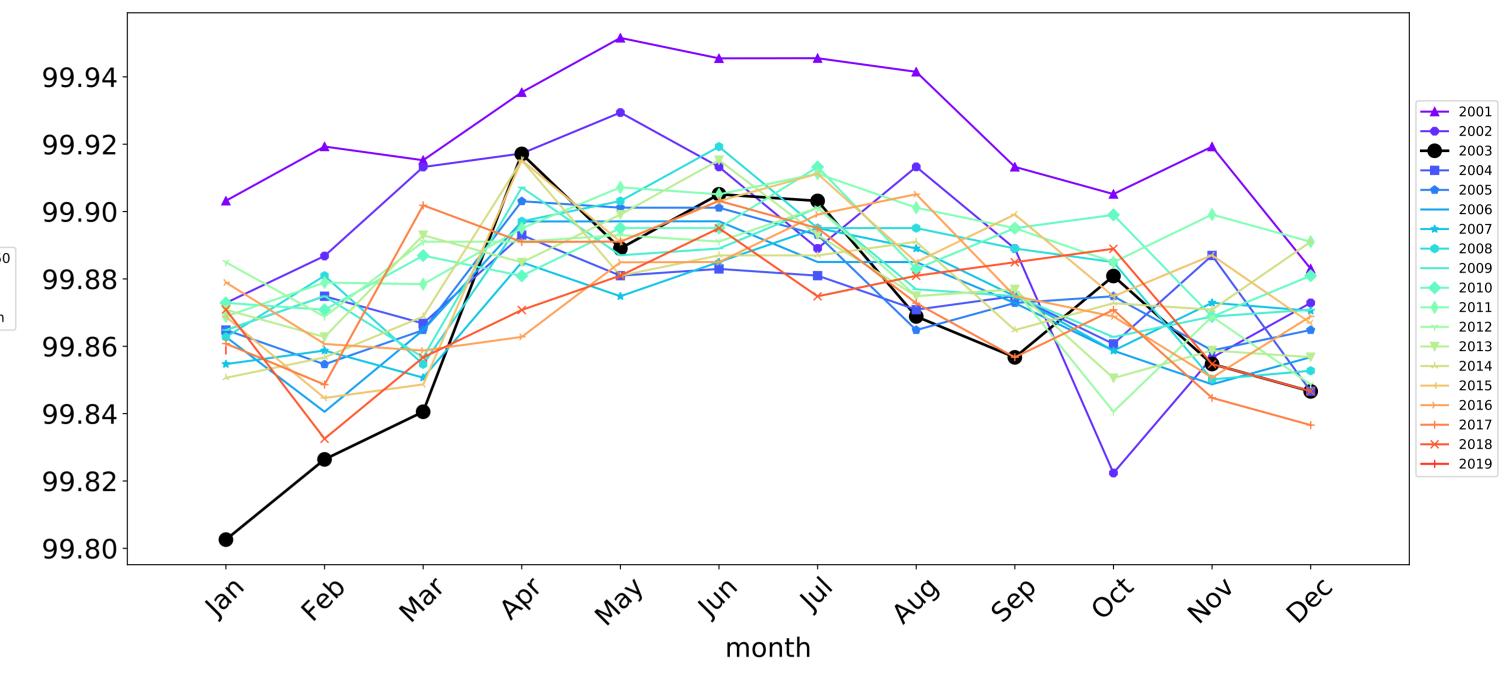
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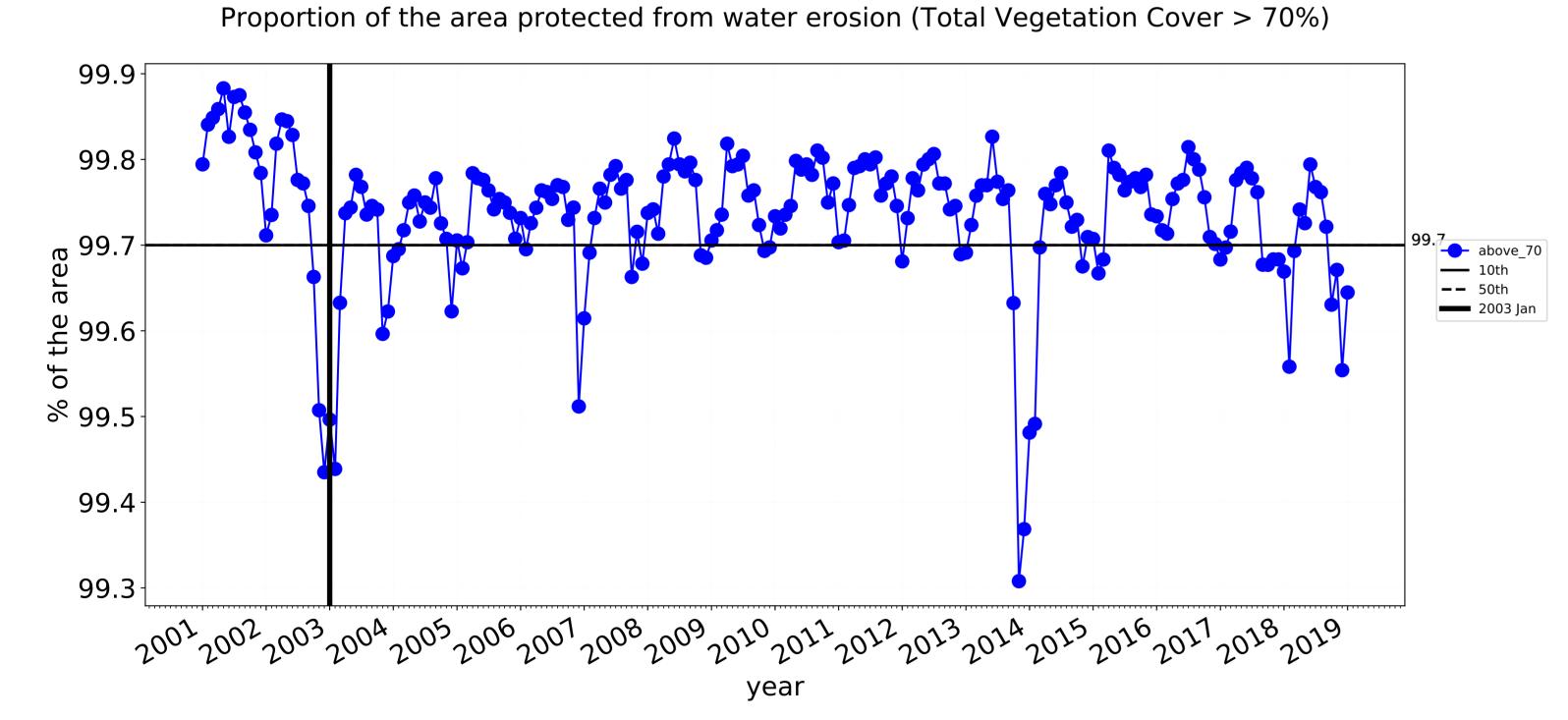


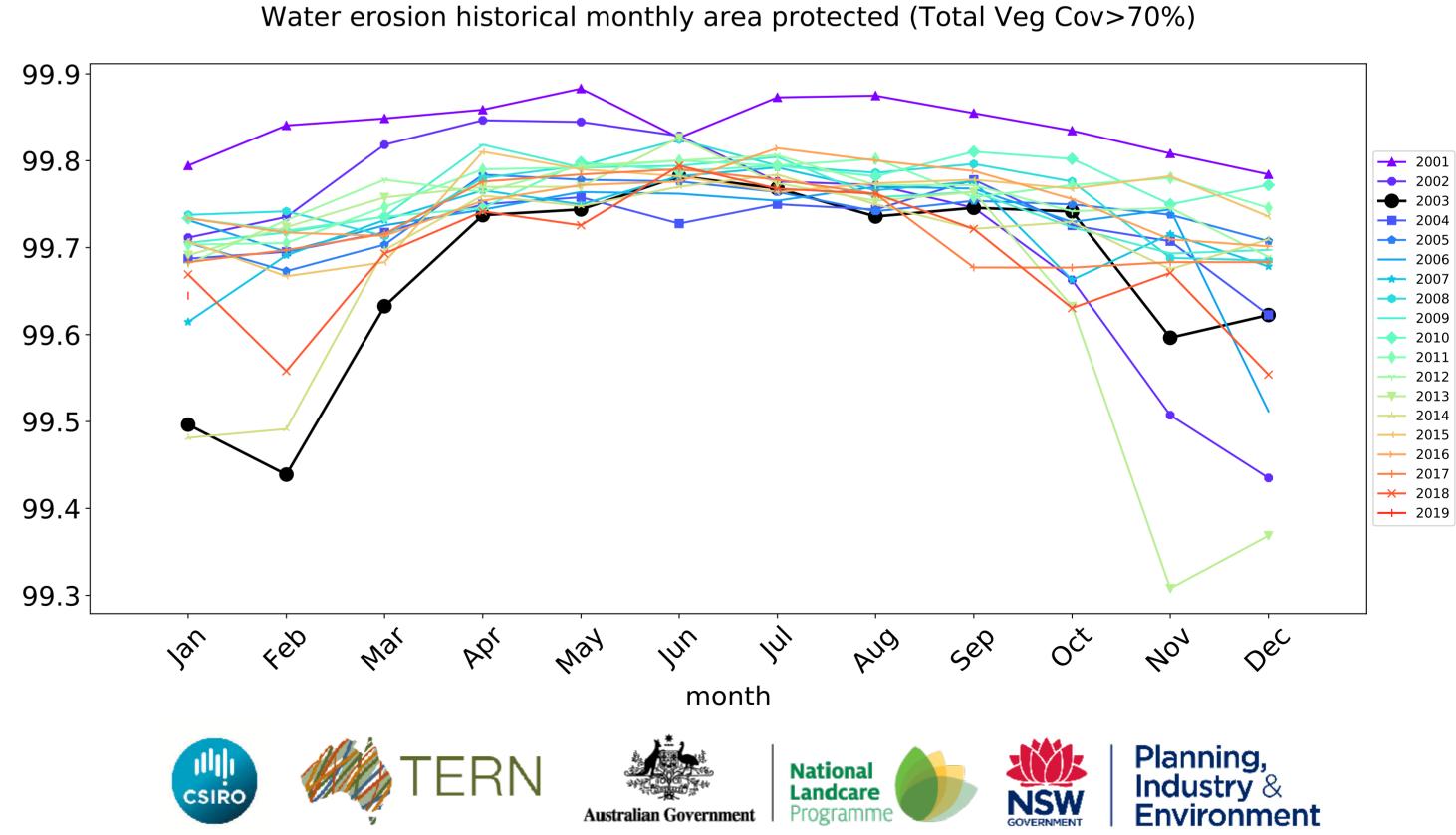
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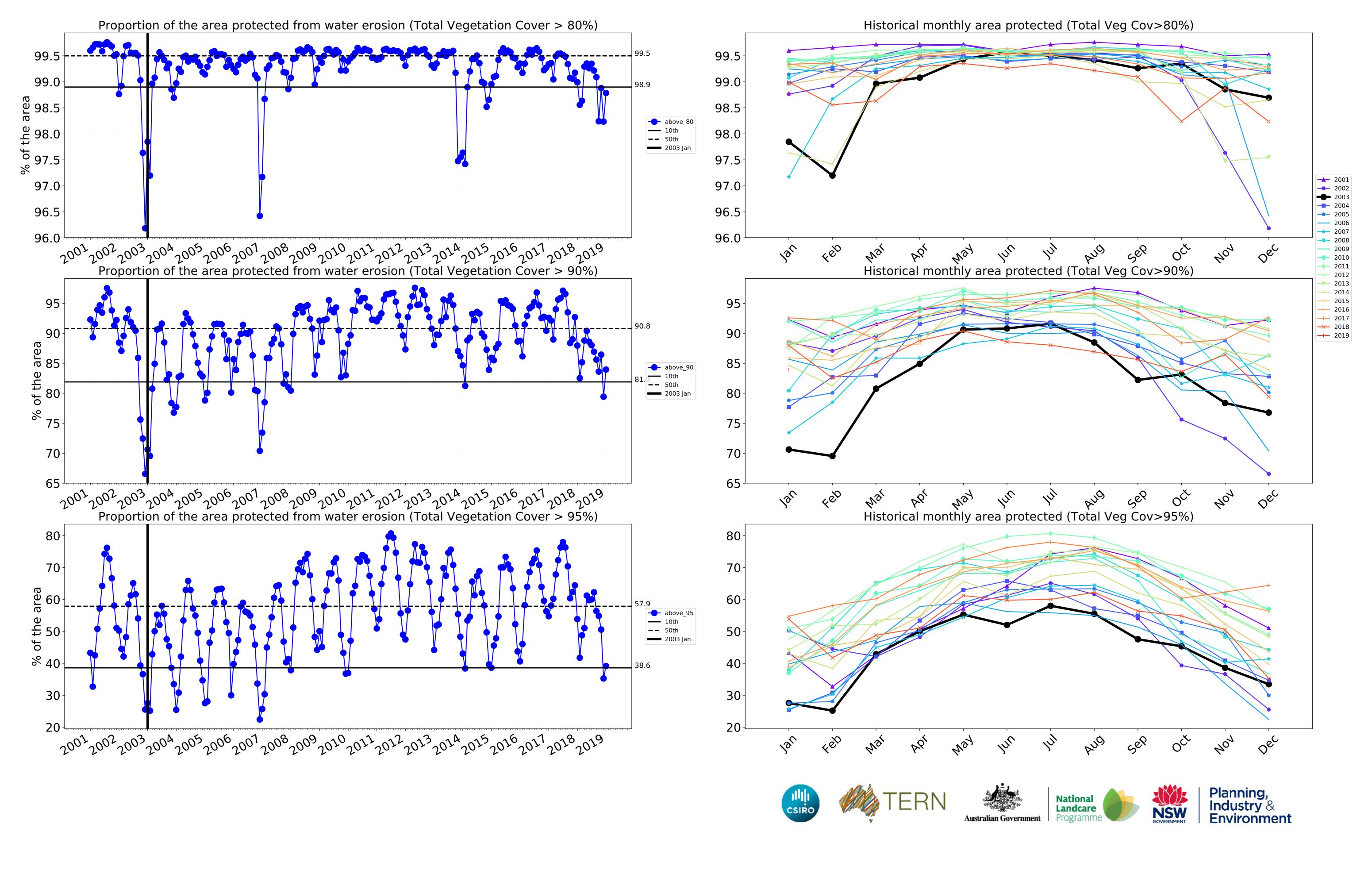


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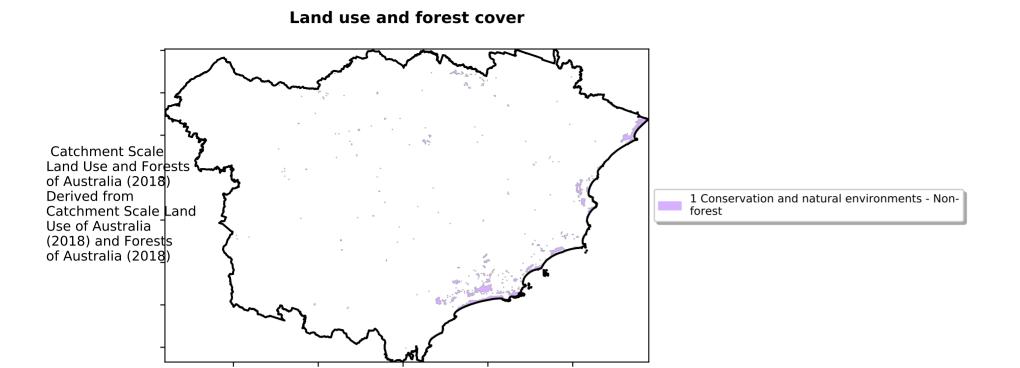




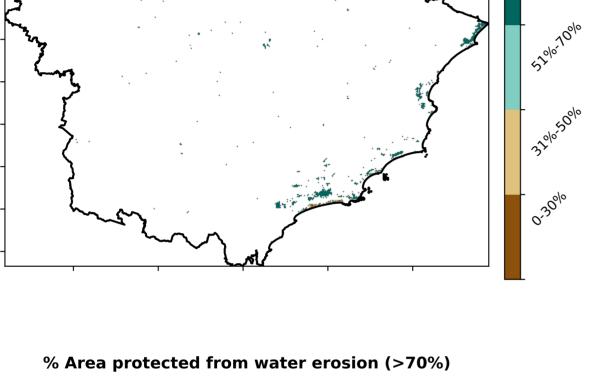


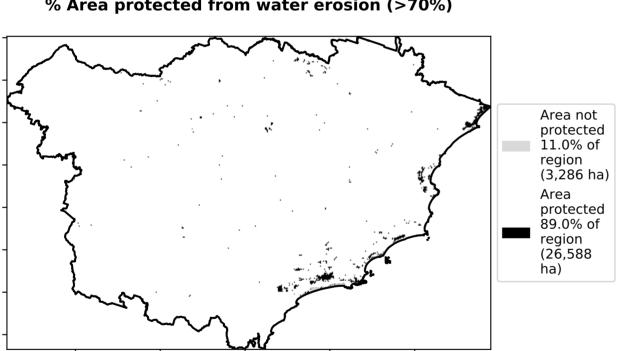


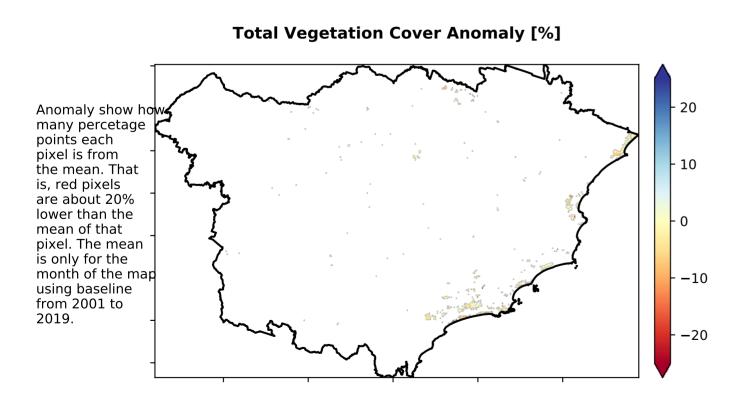
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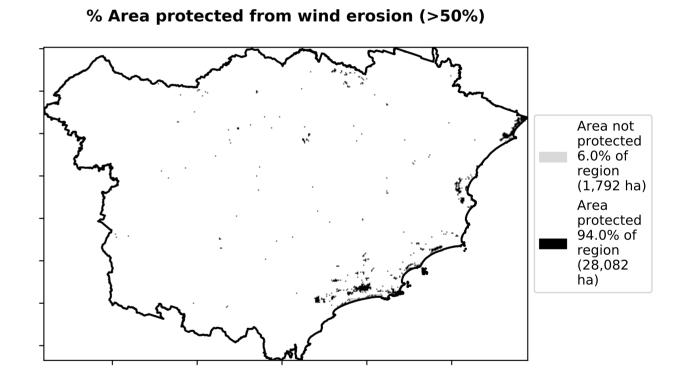


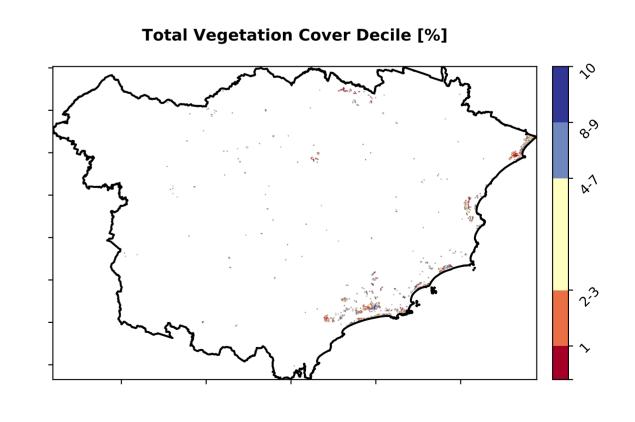




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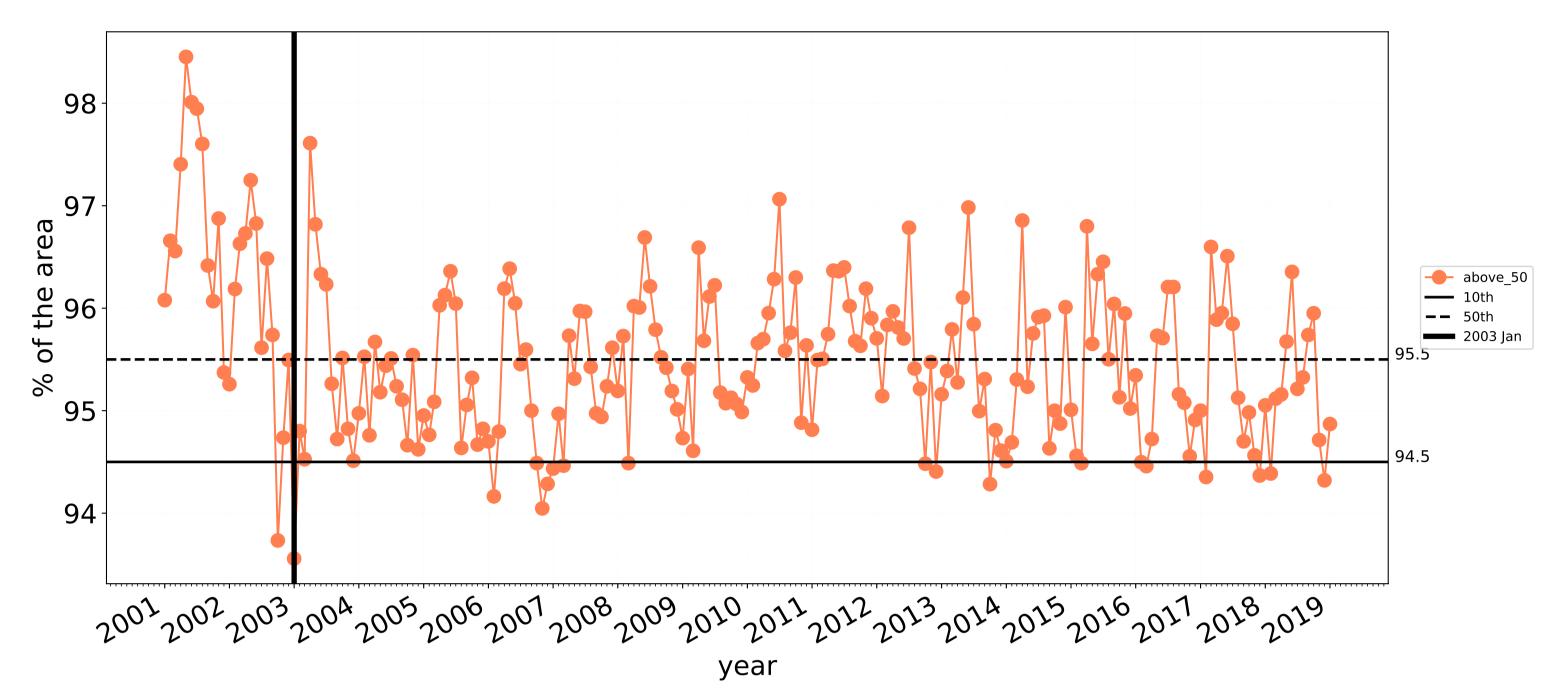




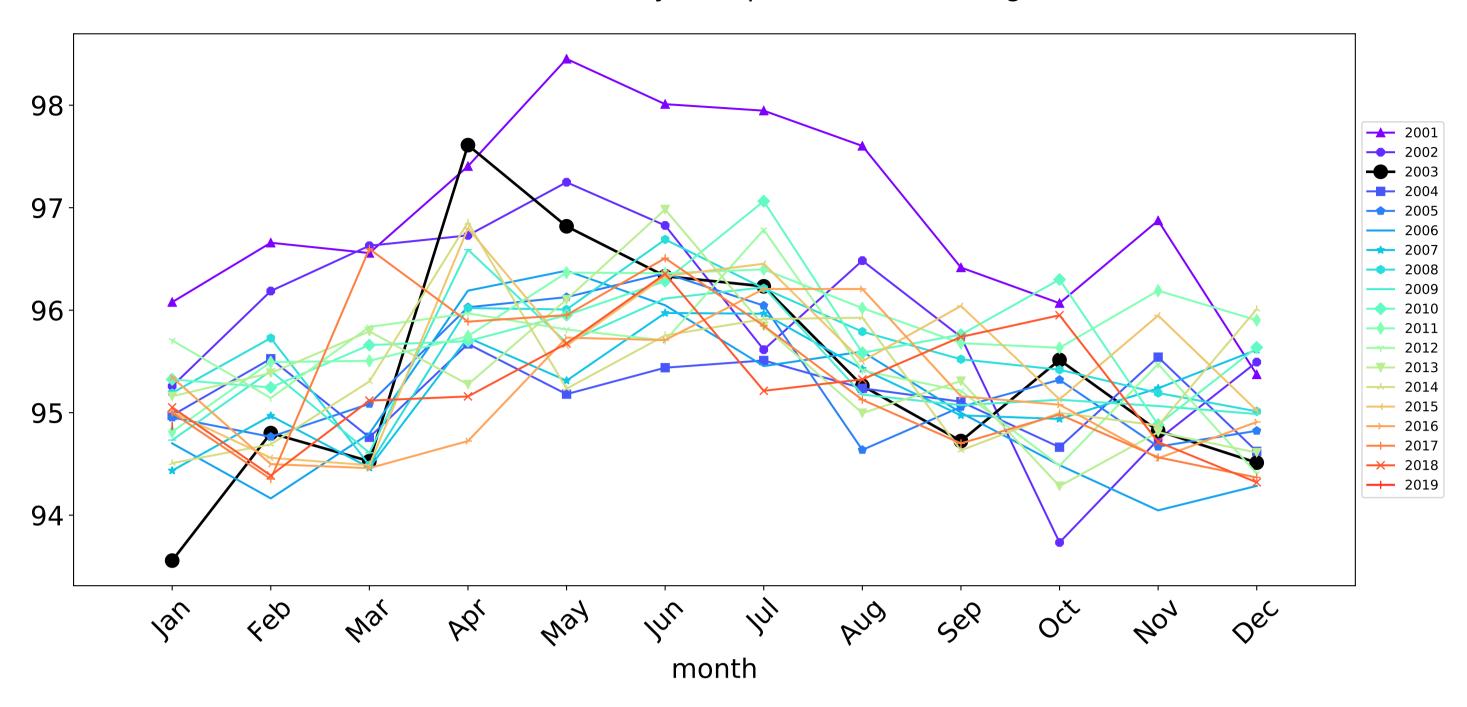


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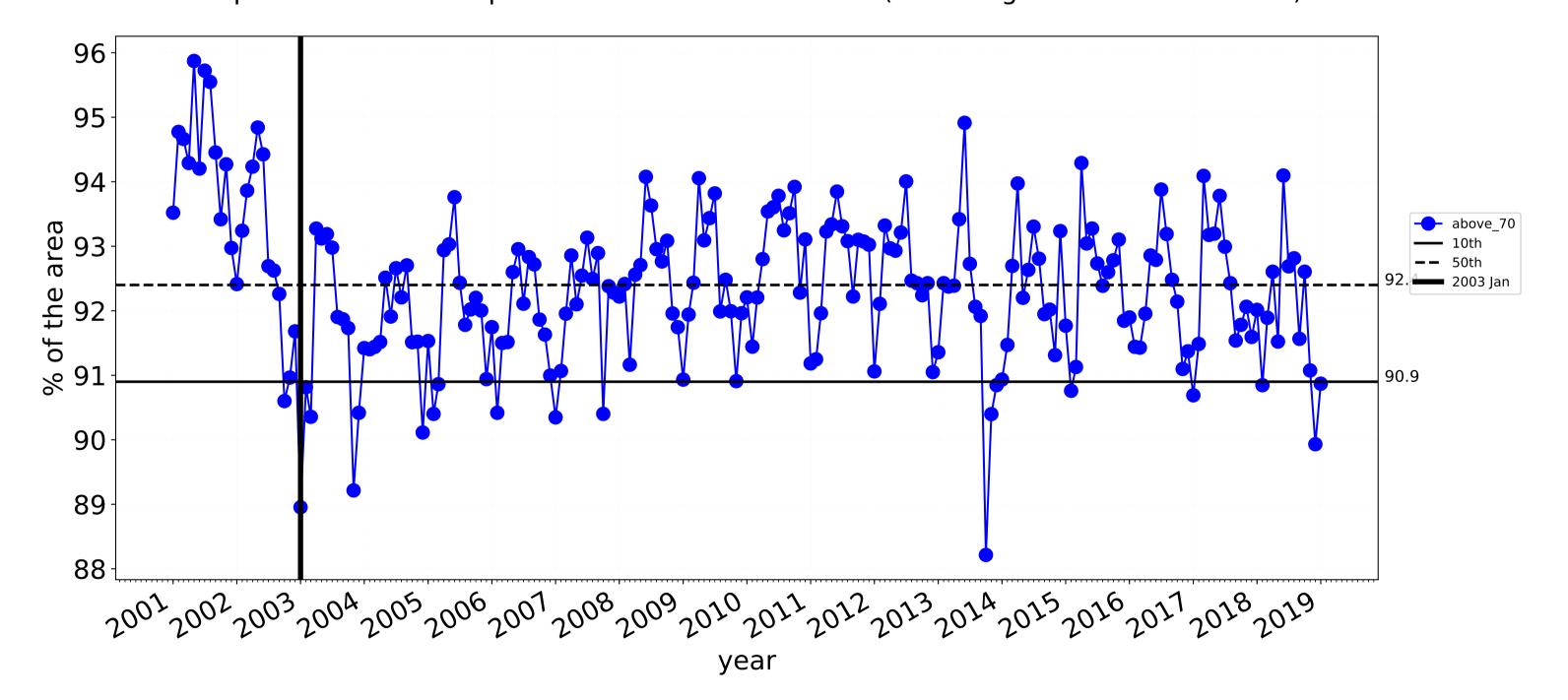




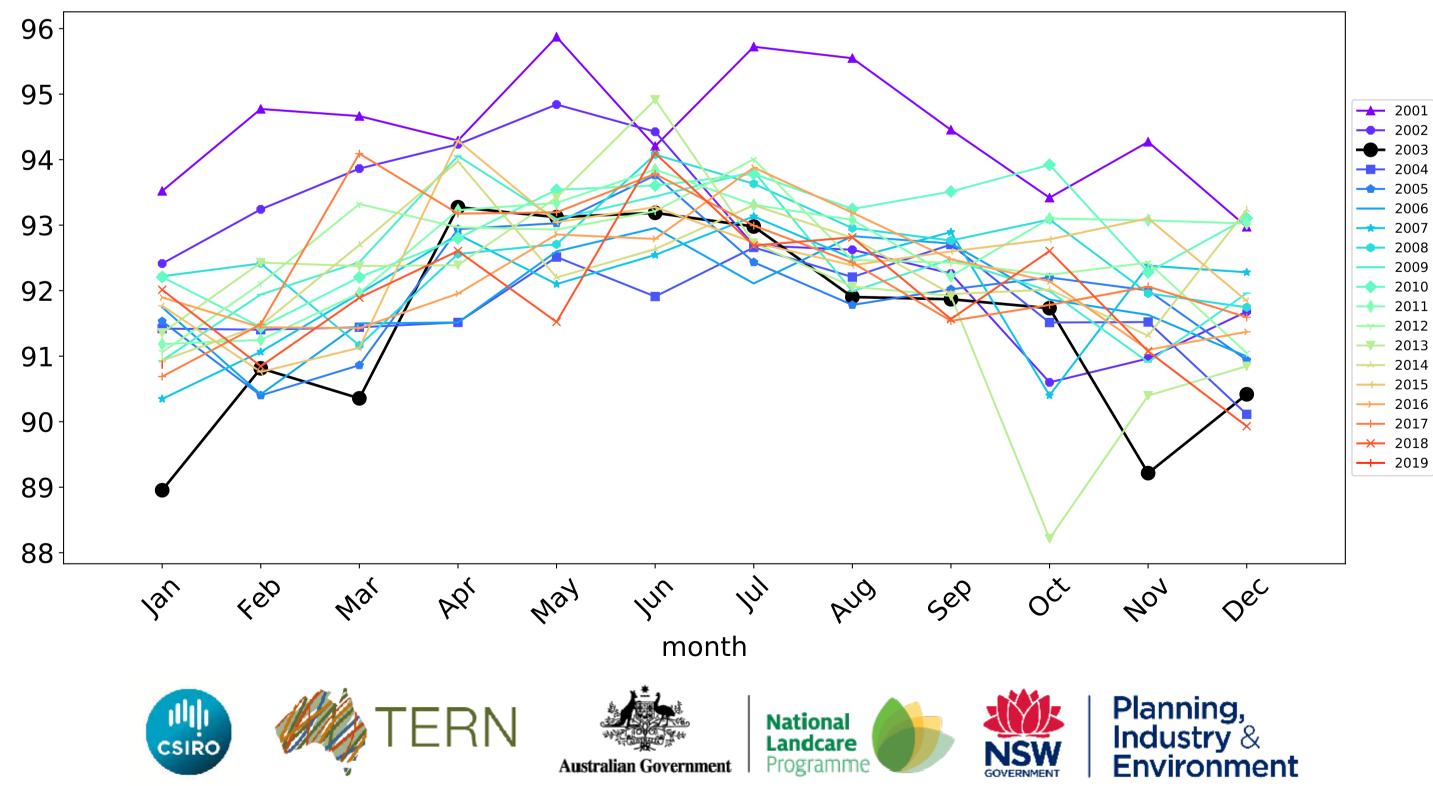
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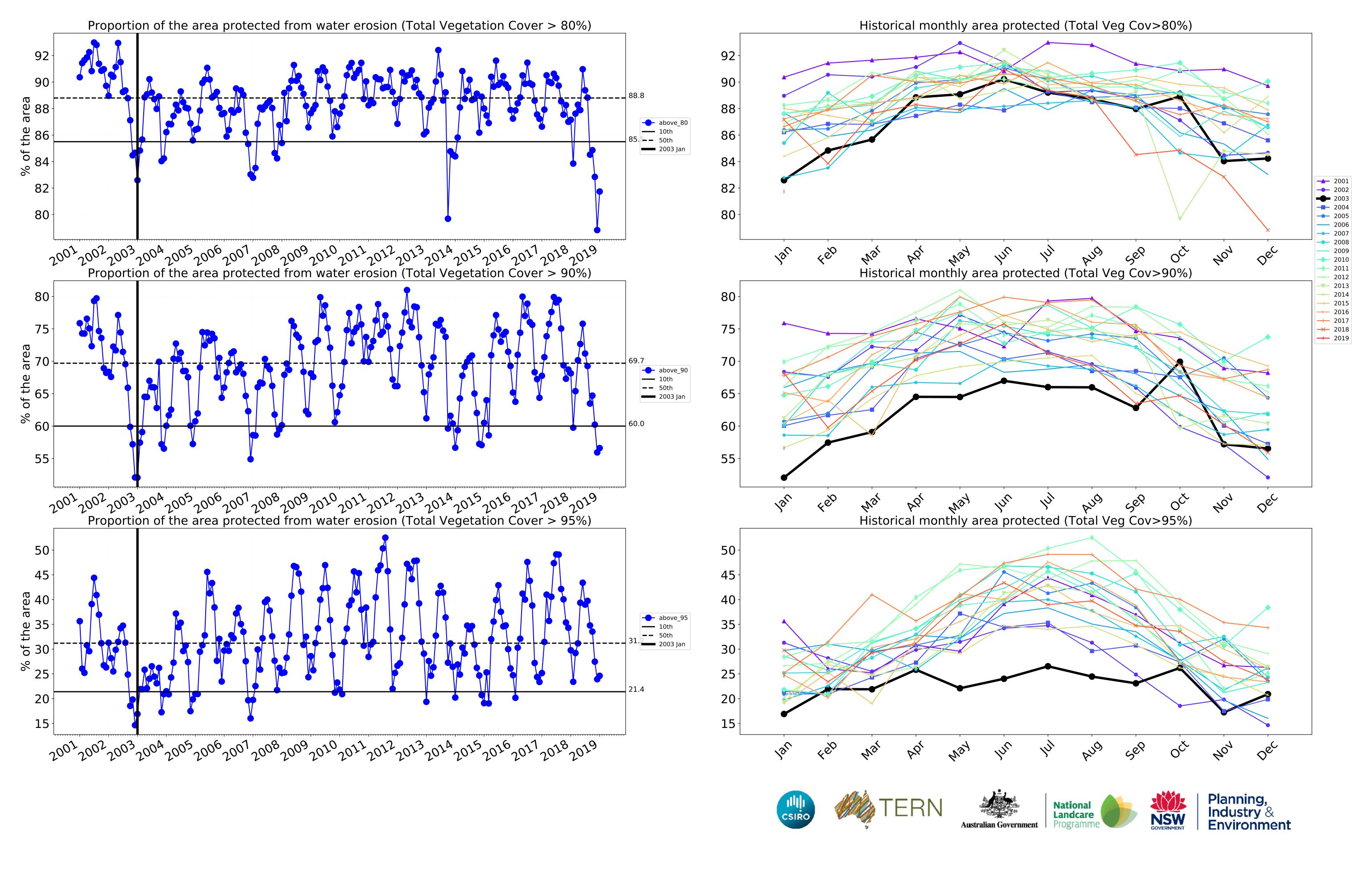


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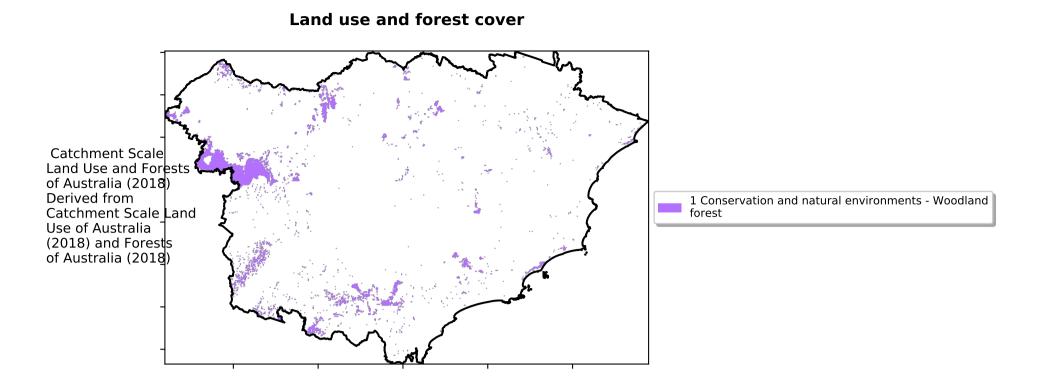


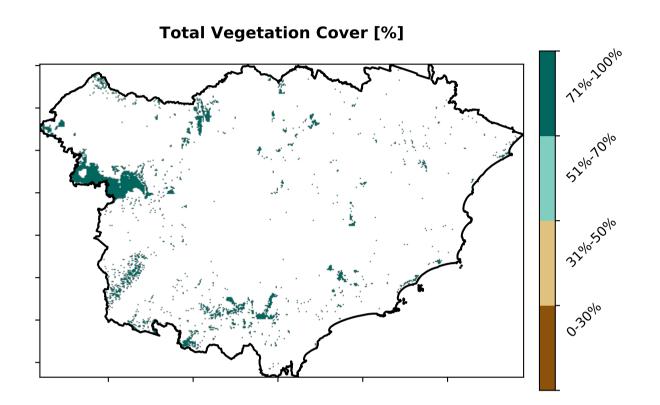
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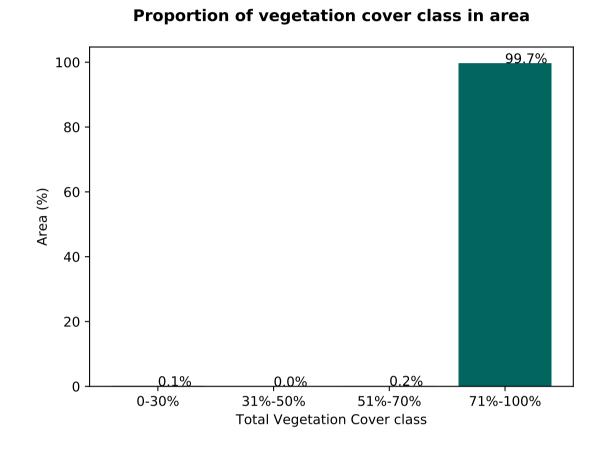


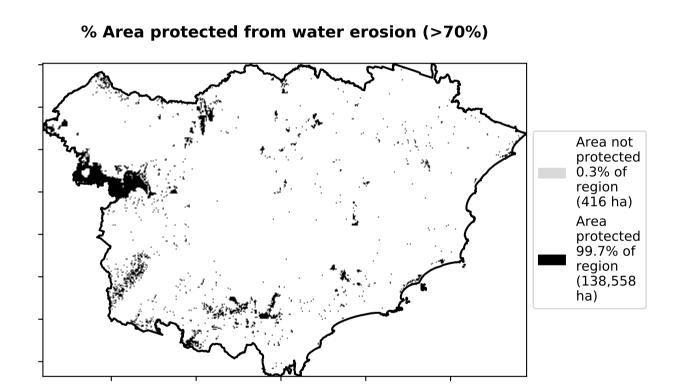


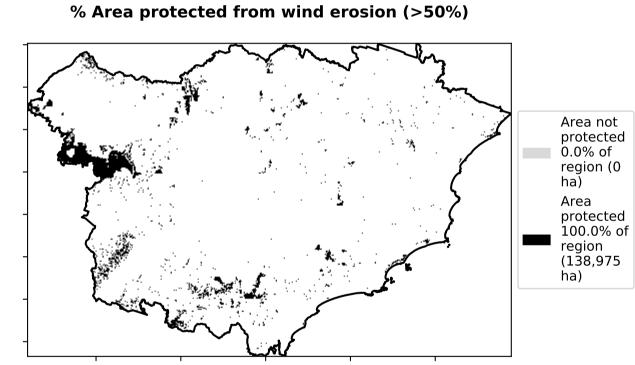
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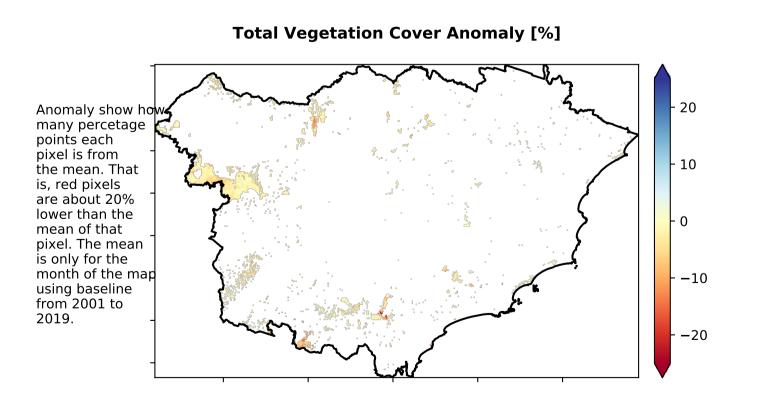


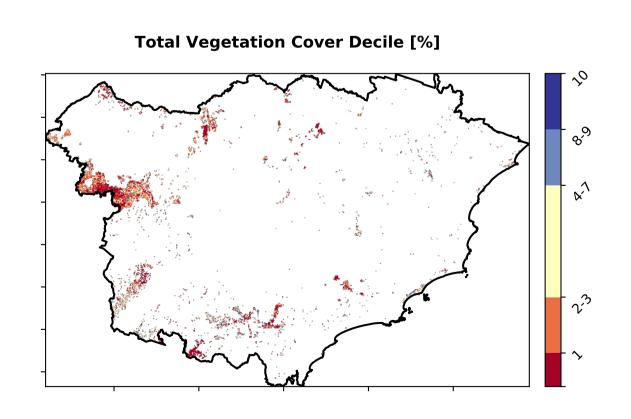














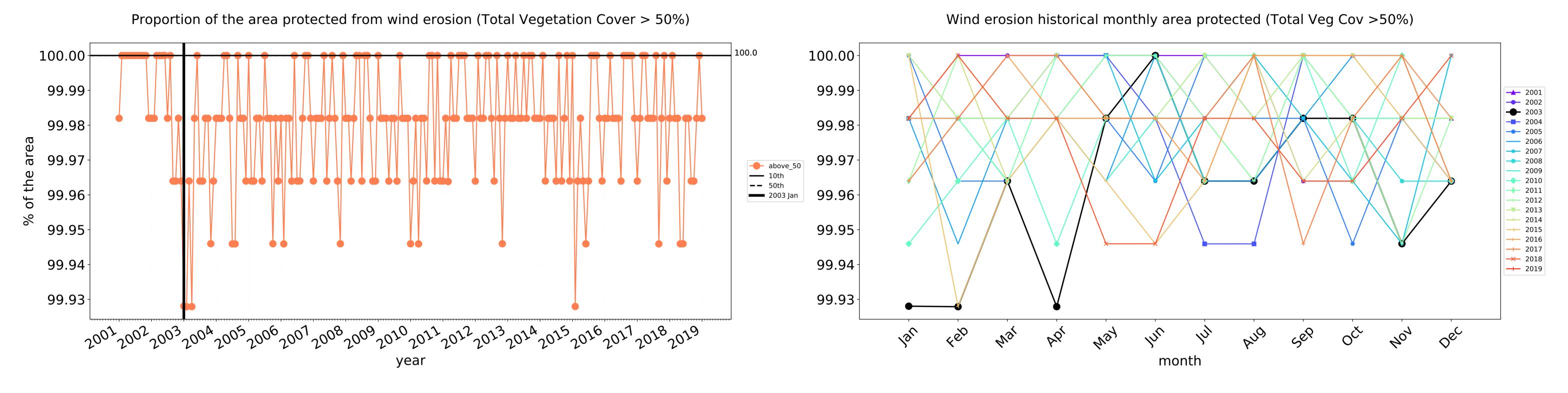


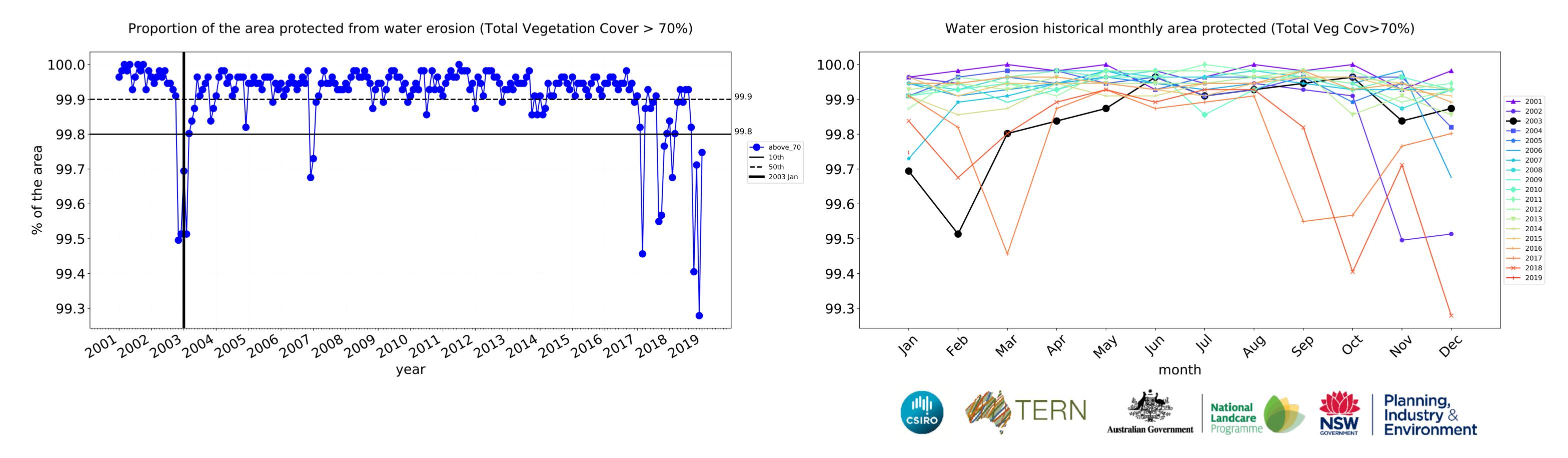


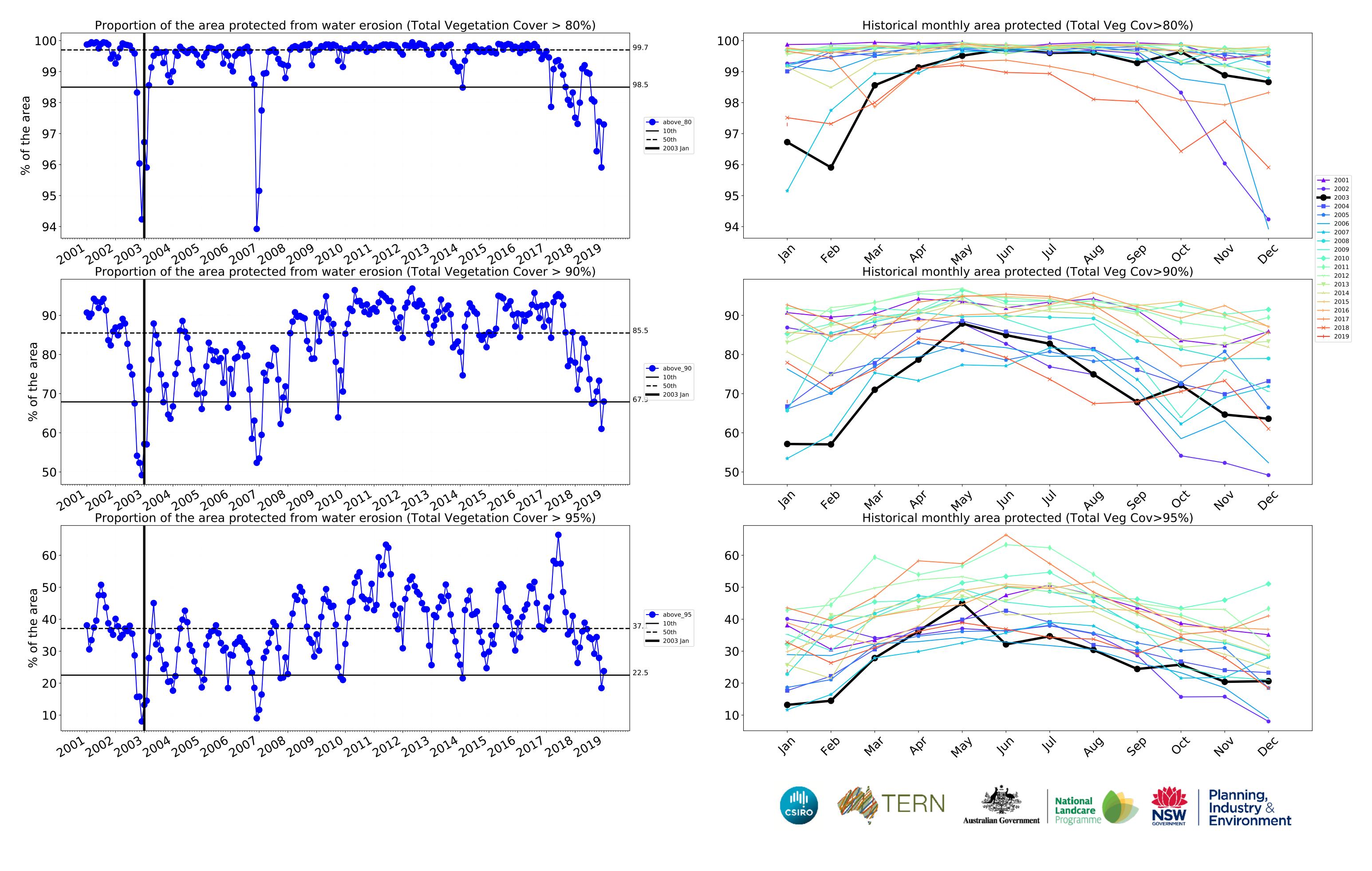




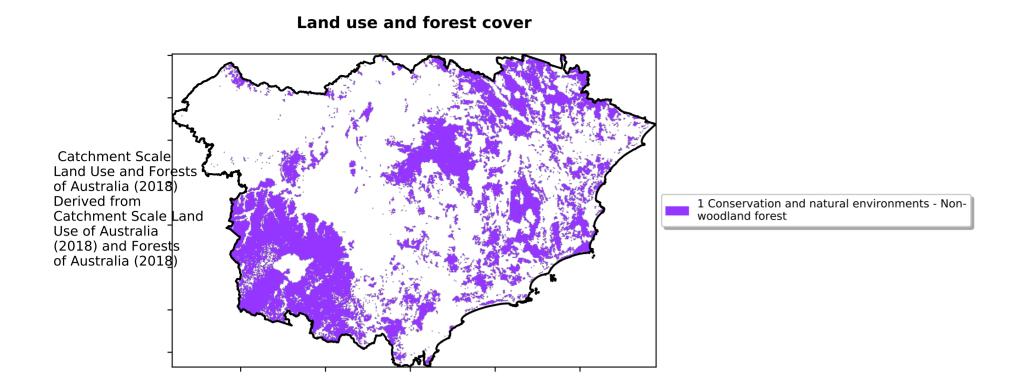




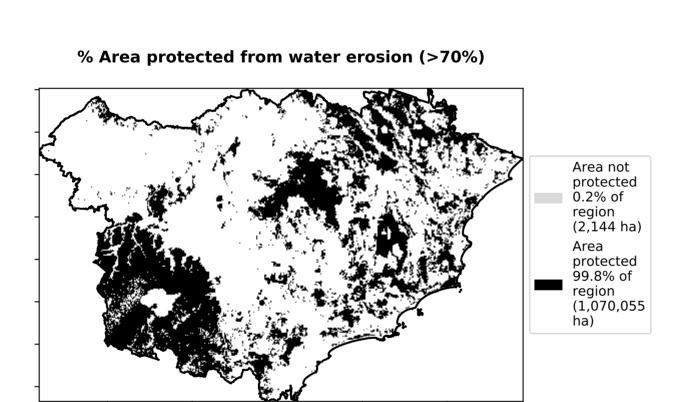


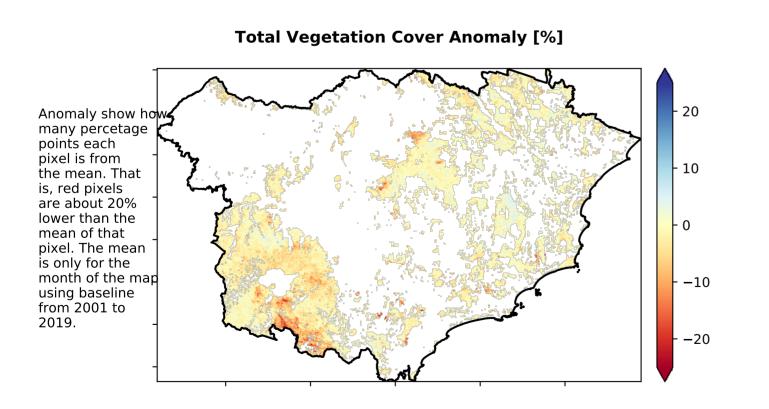


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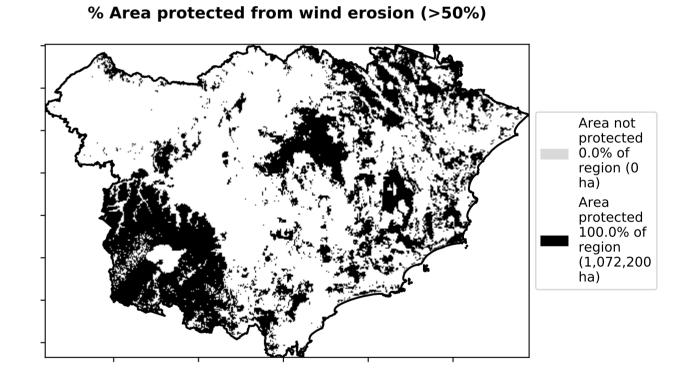


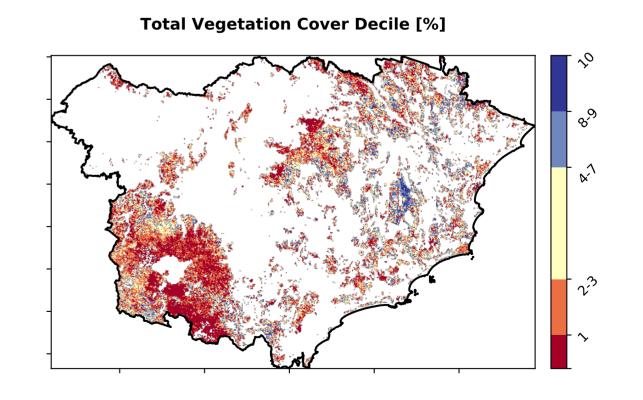
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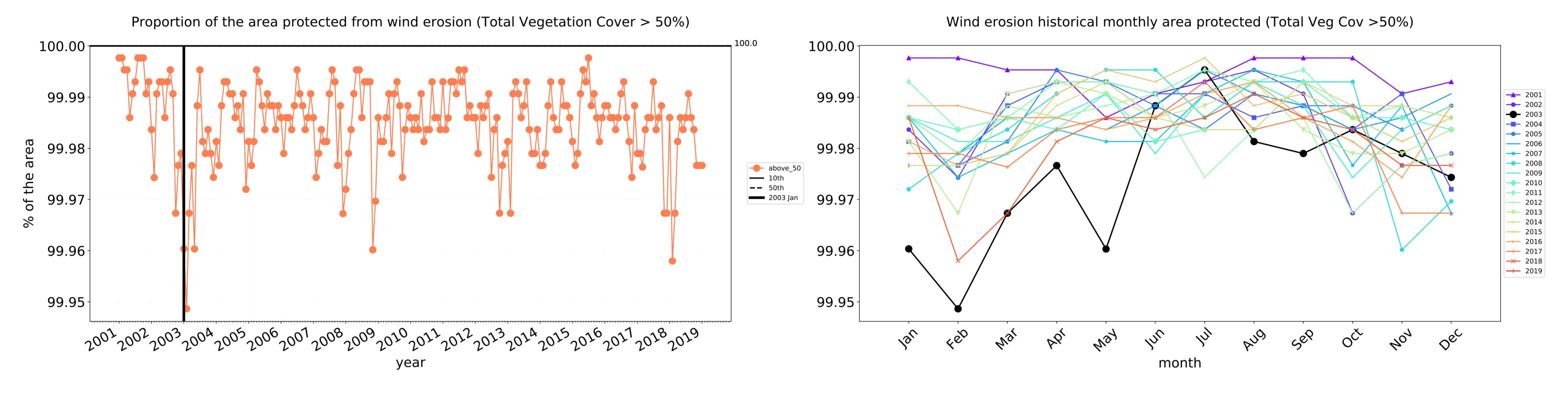


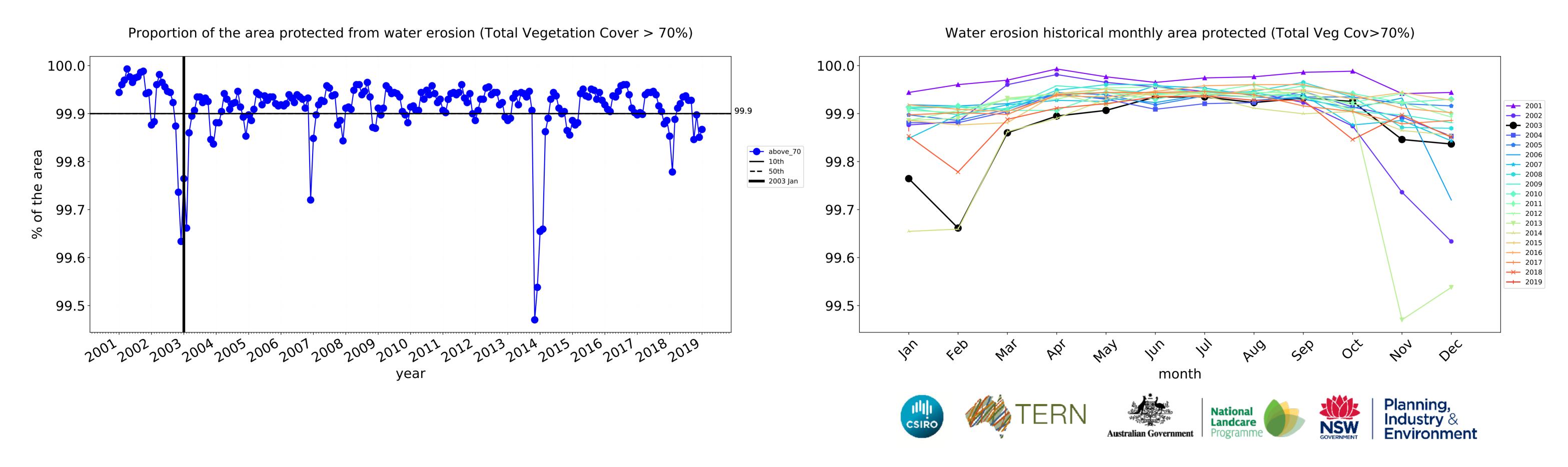


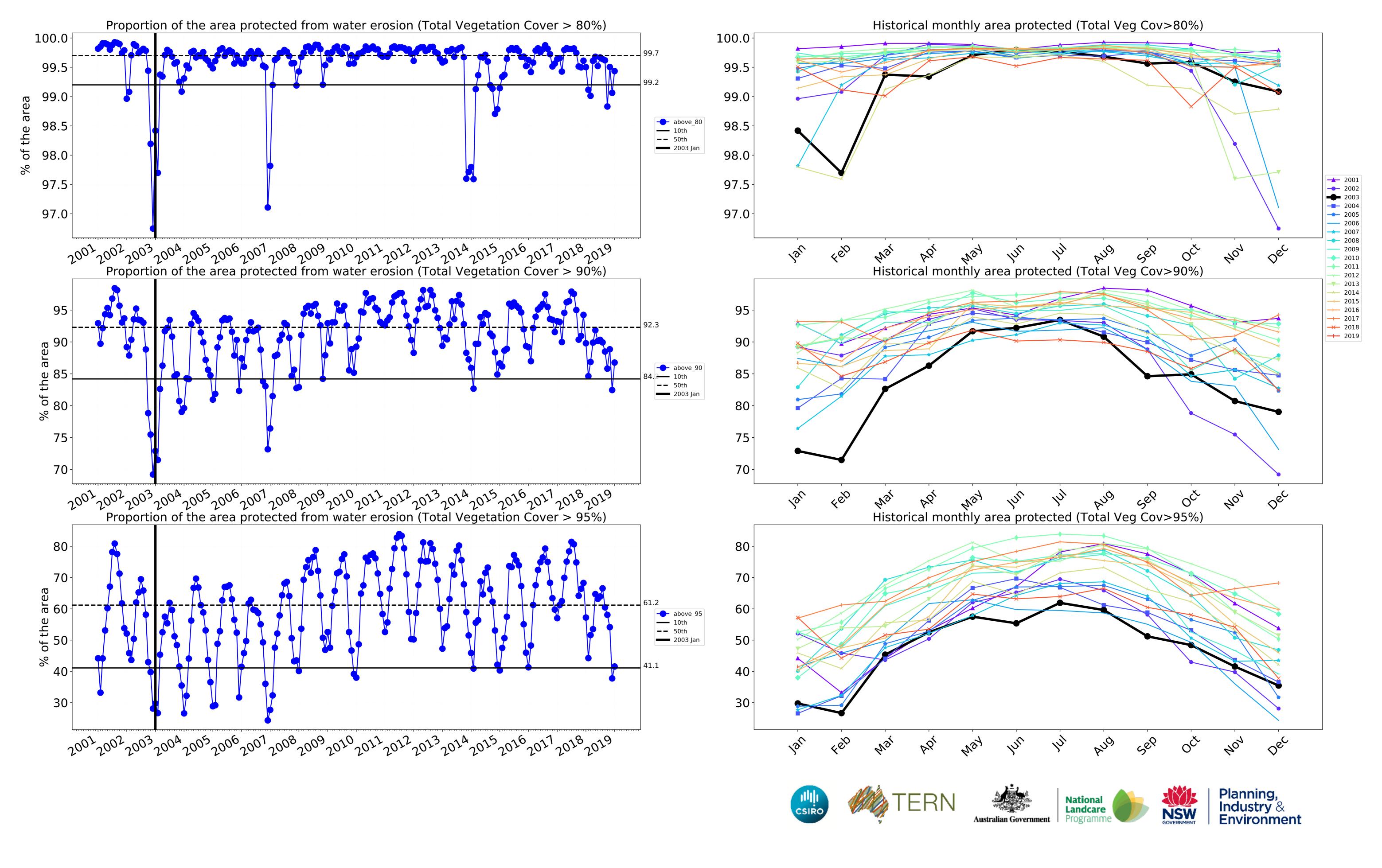




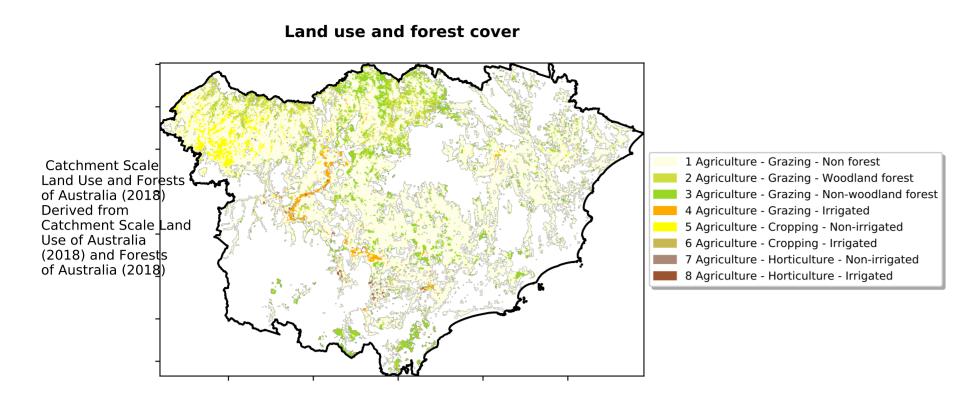
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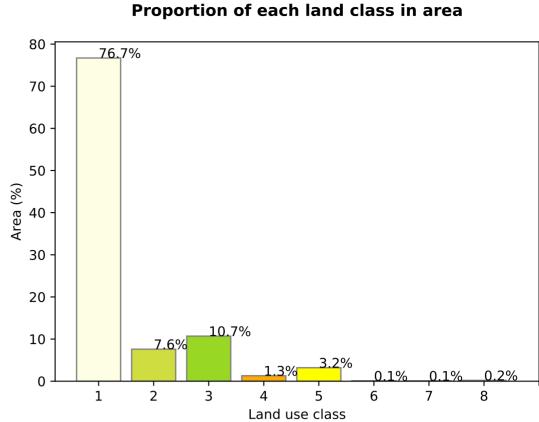


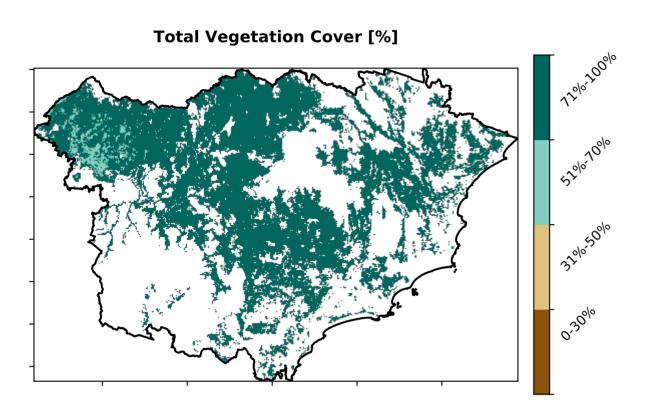


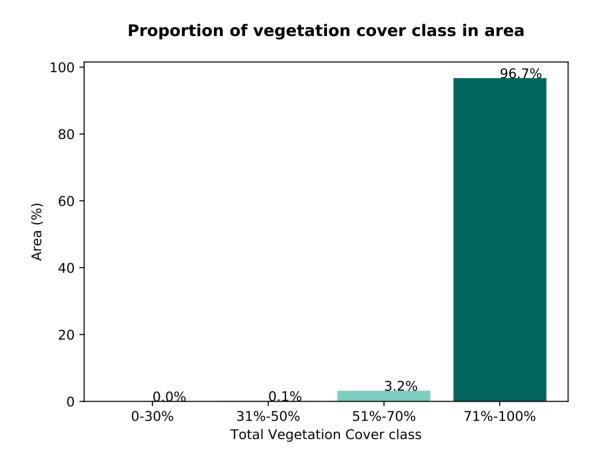


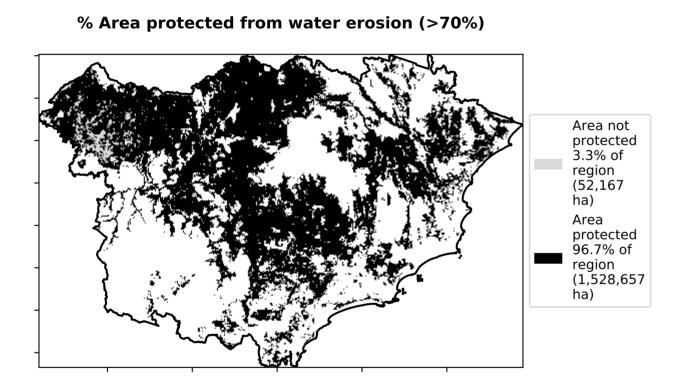
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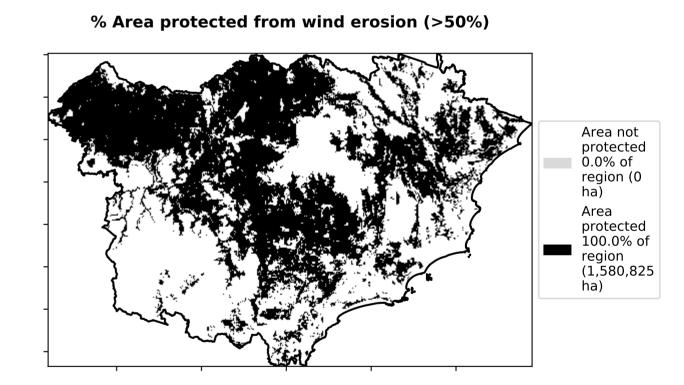


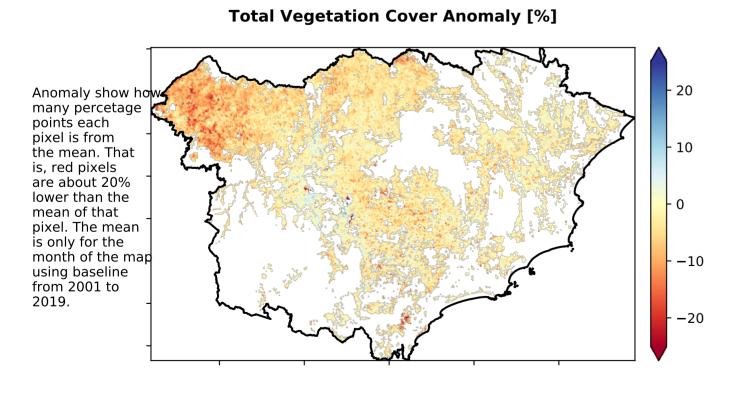


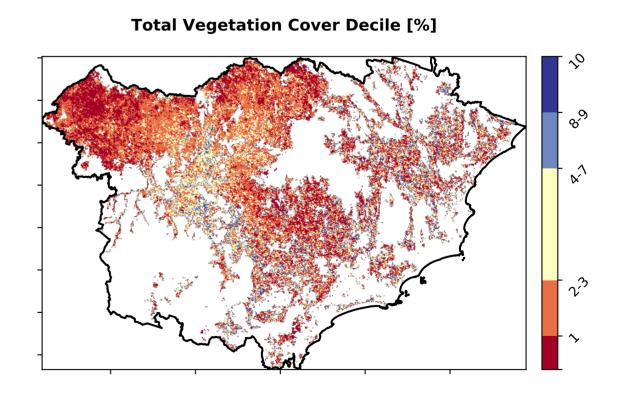
















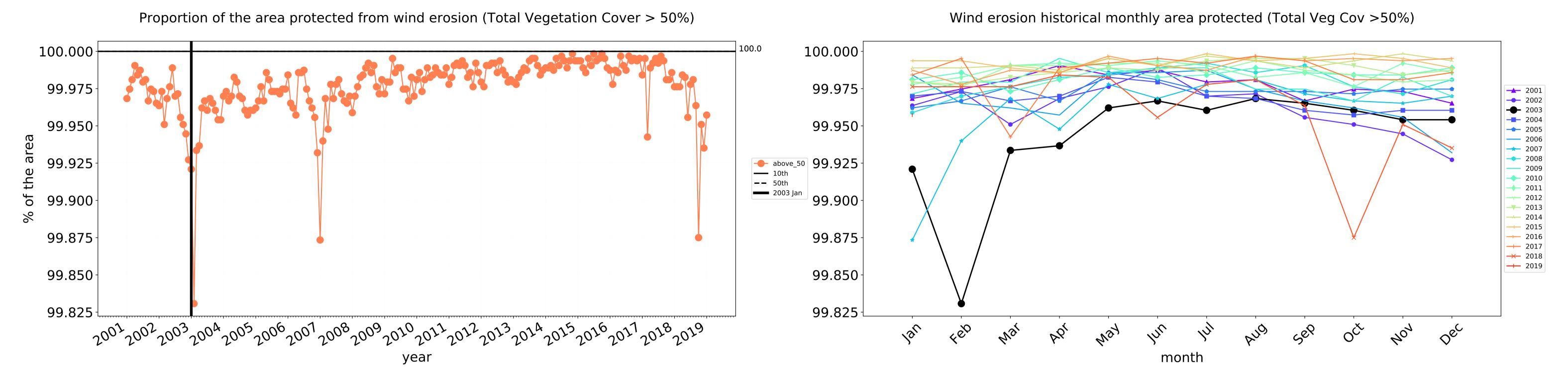


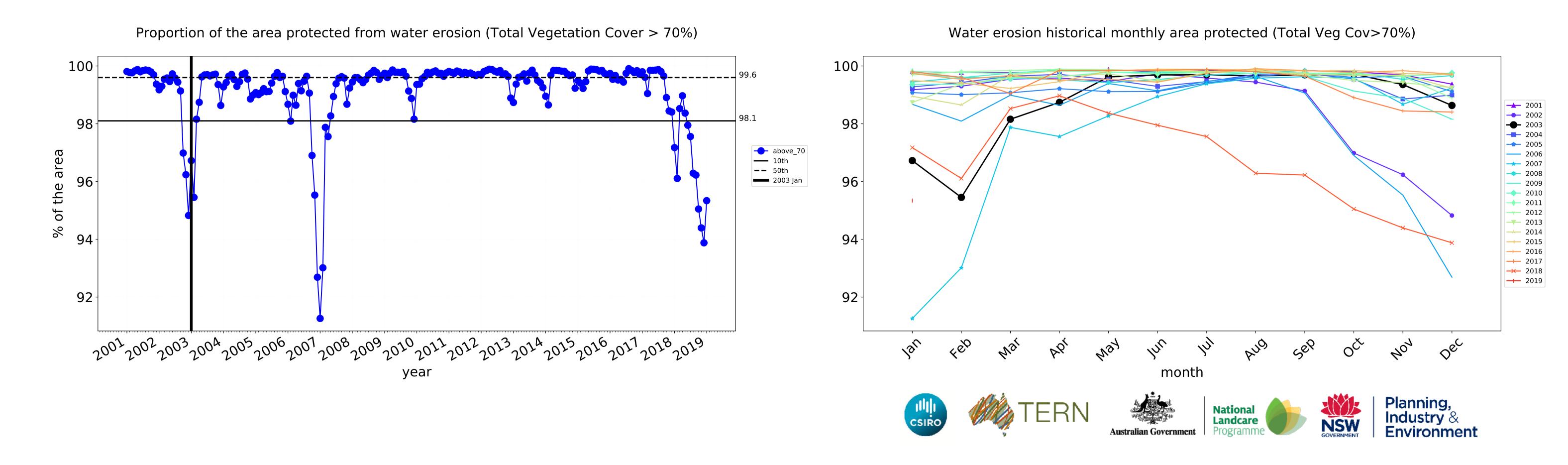


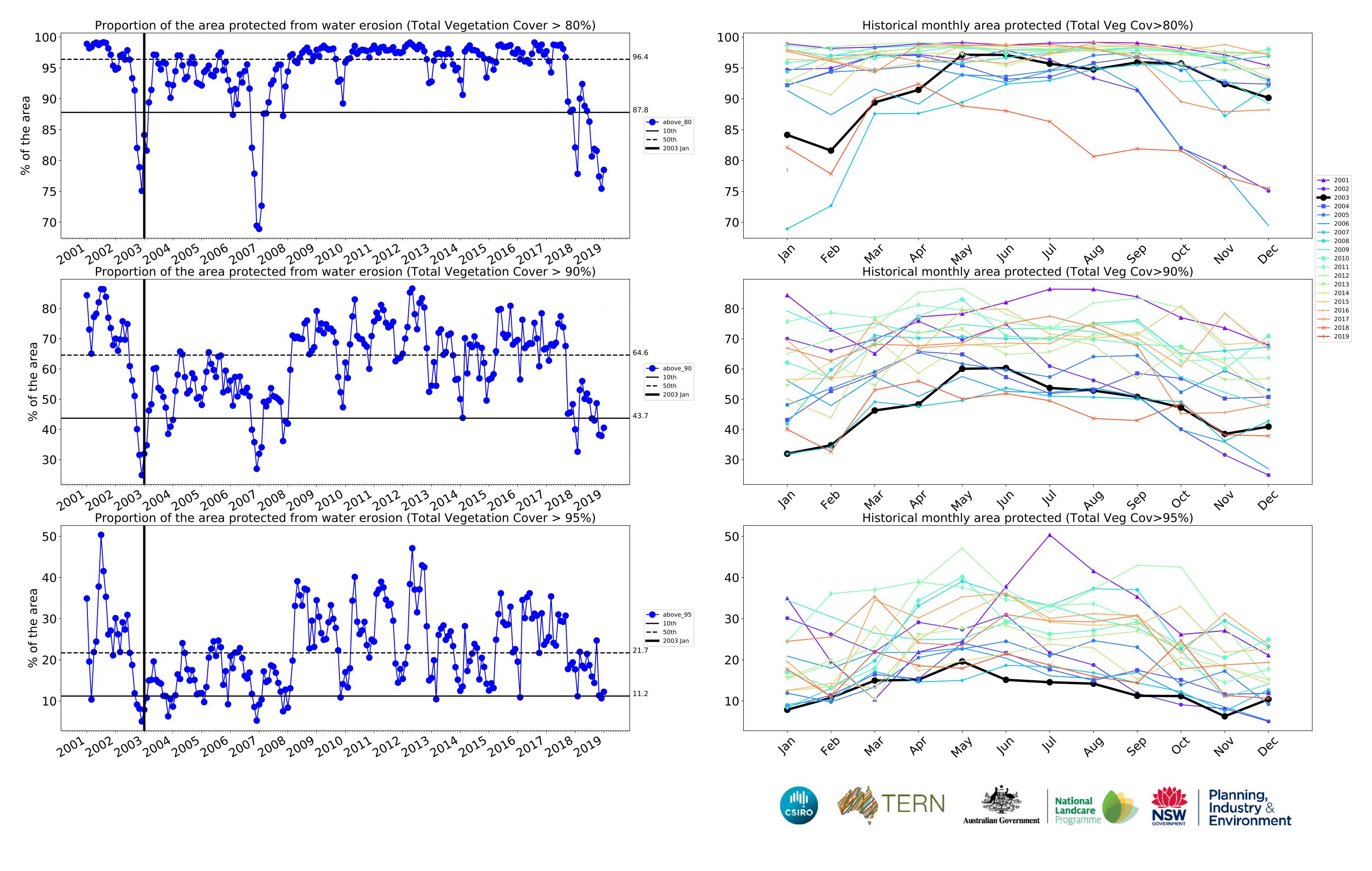




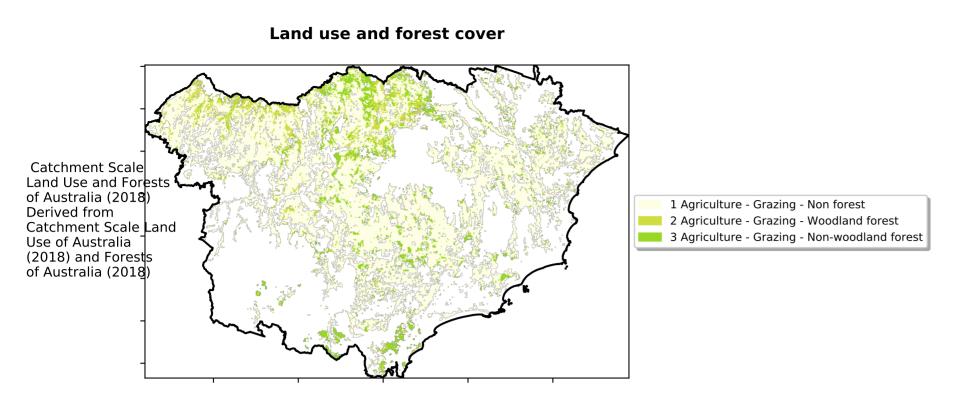
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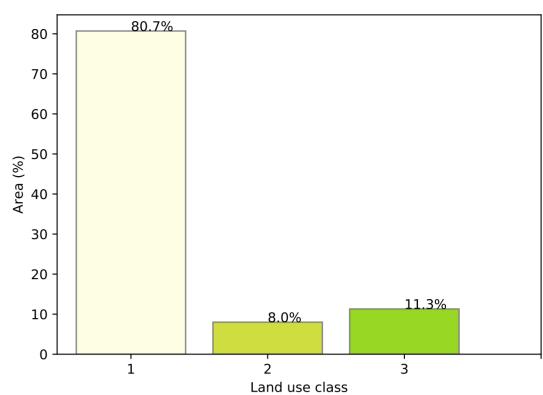




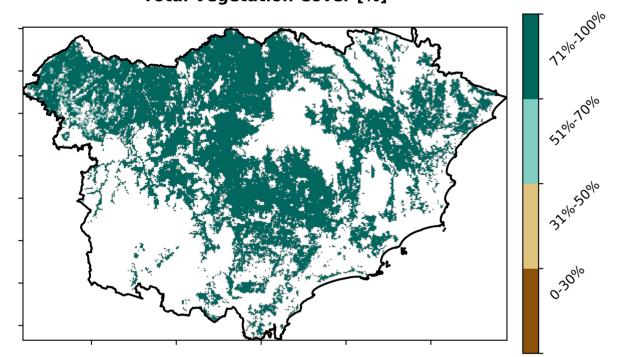
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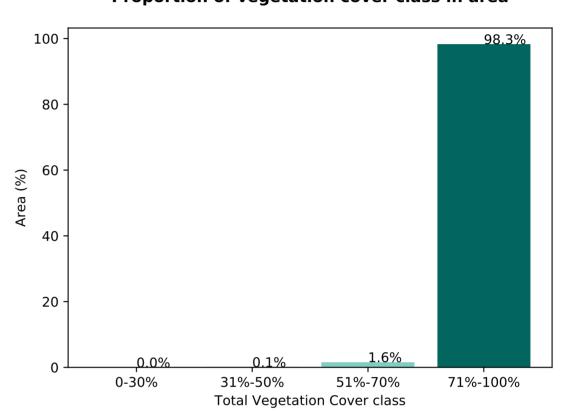
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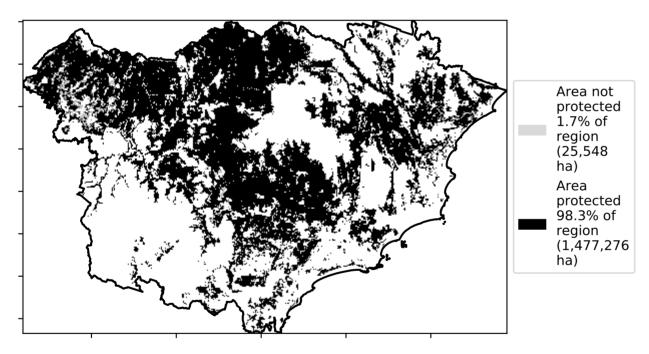
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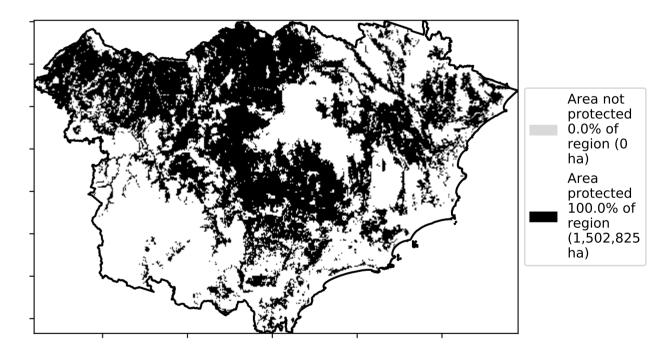
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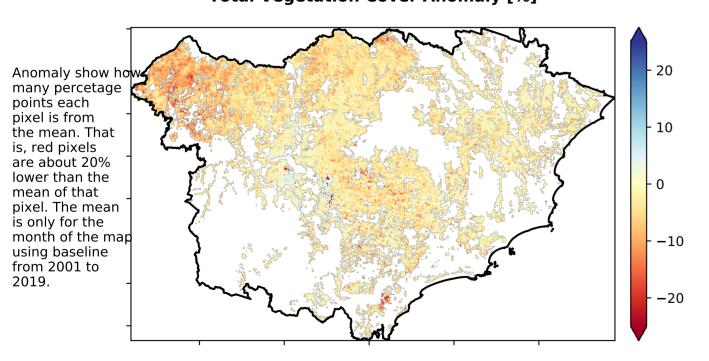
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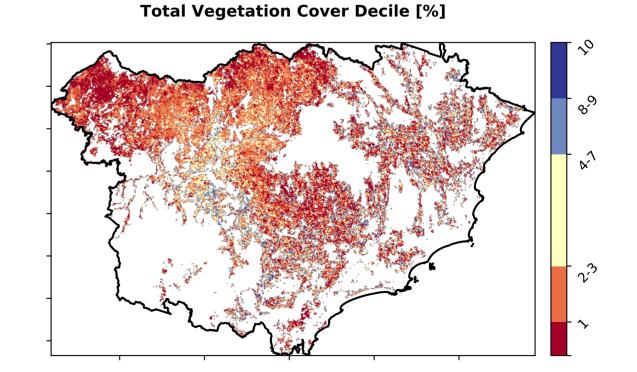


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]









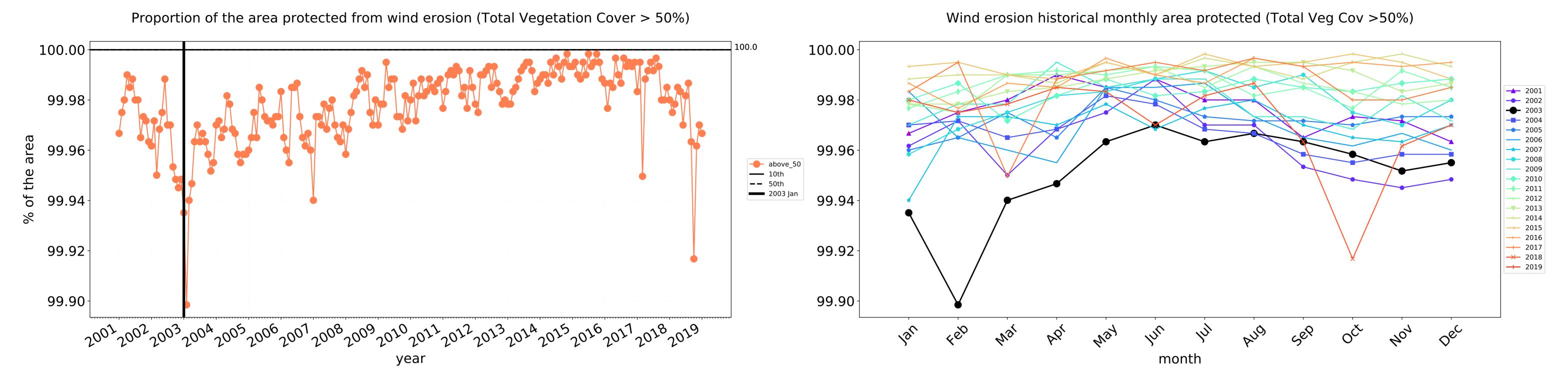


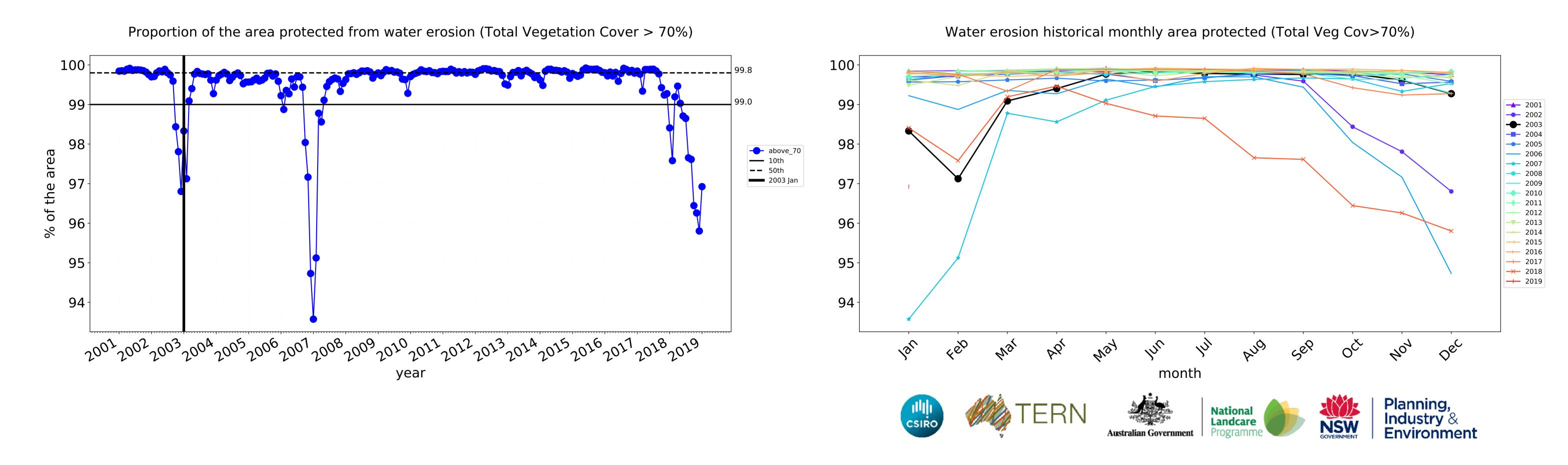


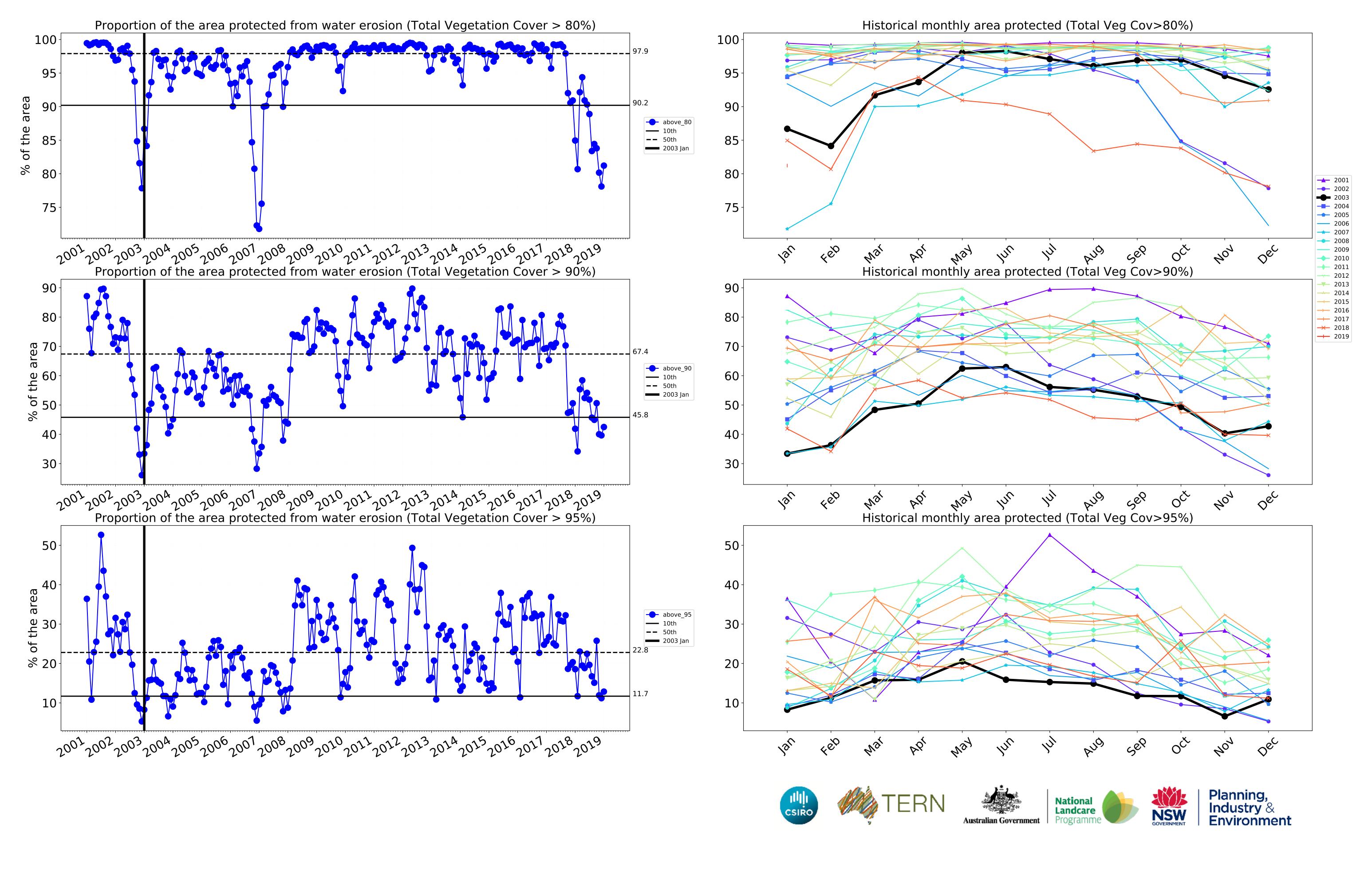




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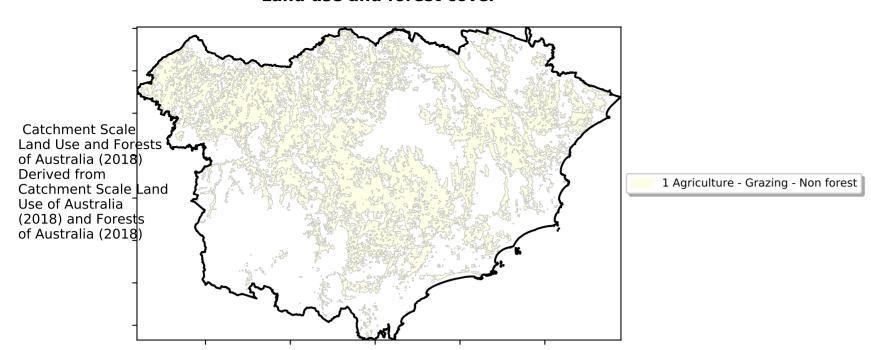




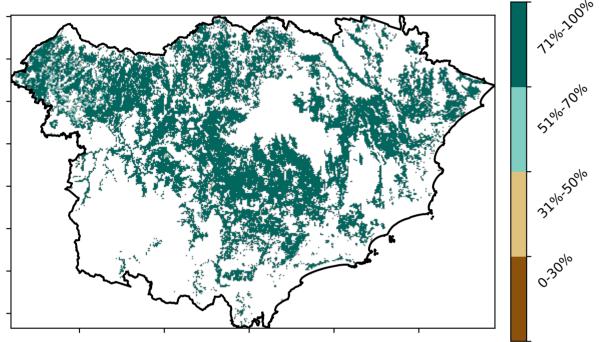


Grazing non forest

Land use and forest cover

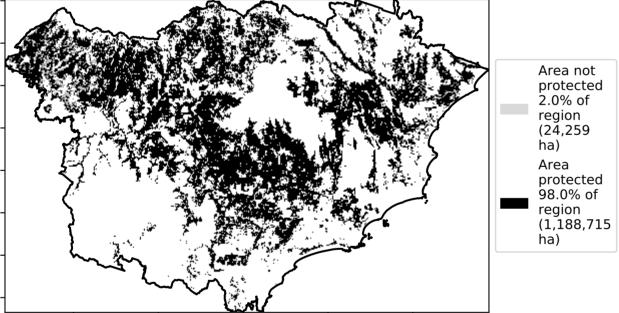


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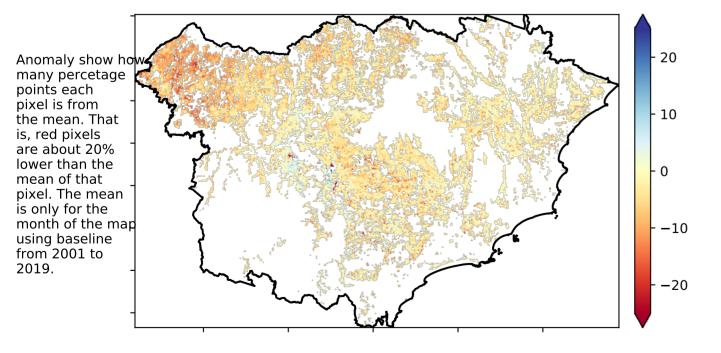


Area not protected 2.0% of region (24,259 ha) Area protected 98.0% of region (1,188,715 ha)

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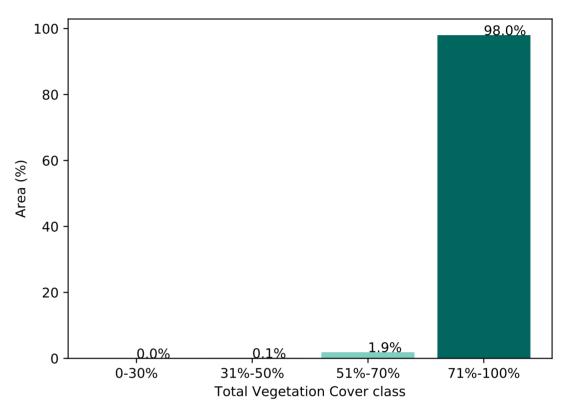


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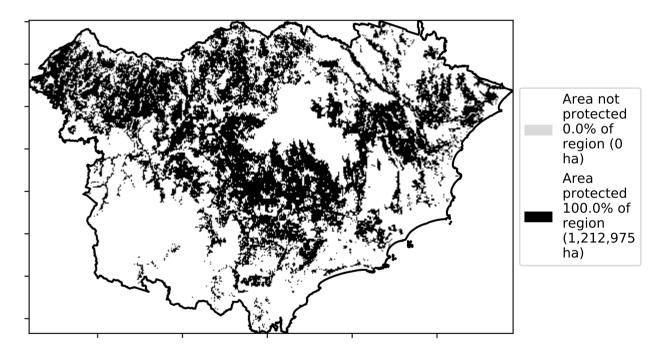


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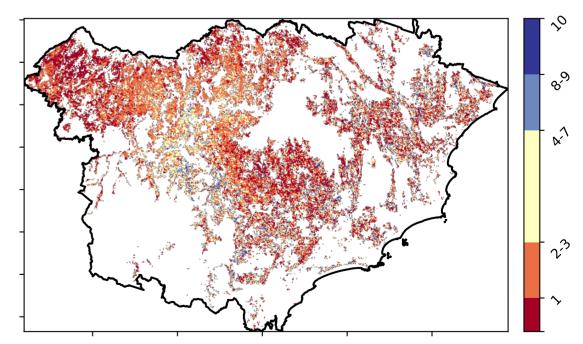
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







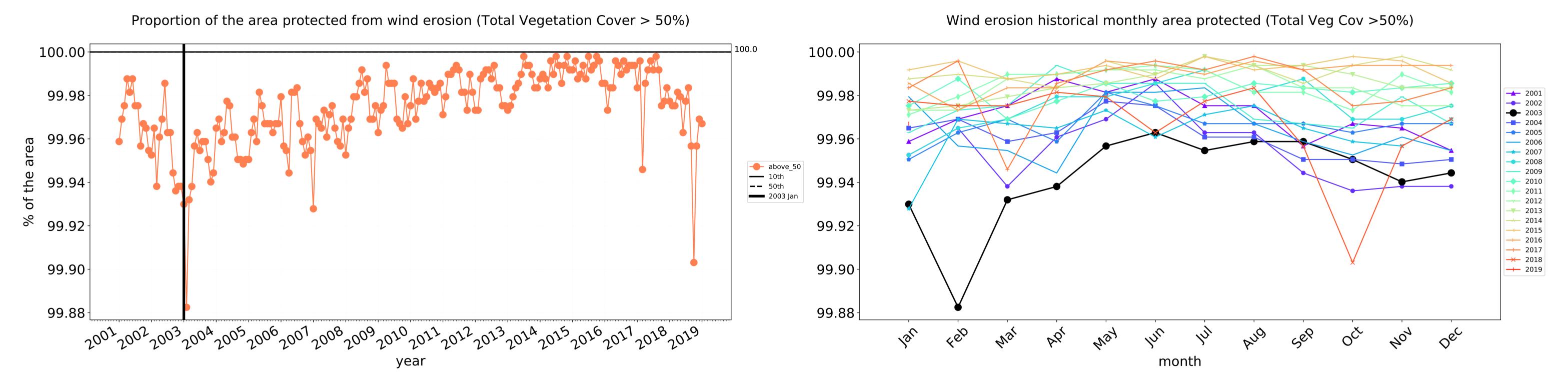


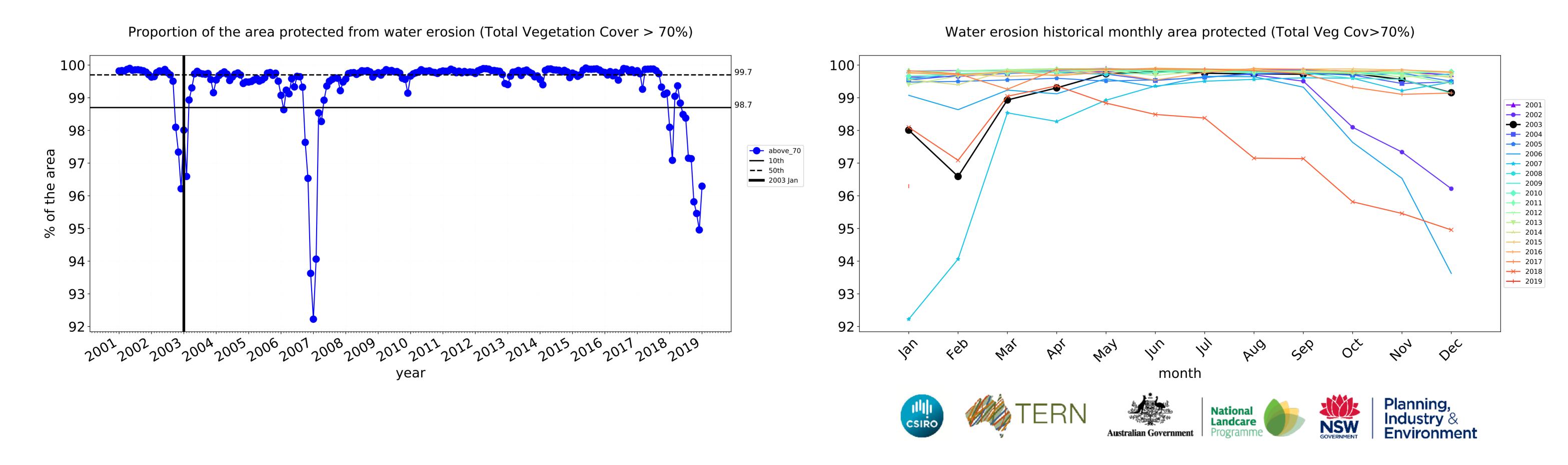


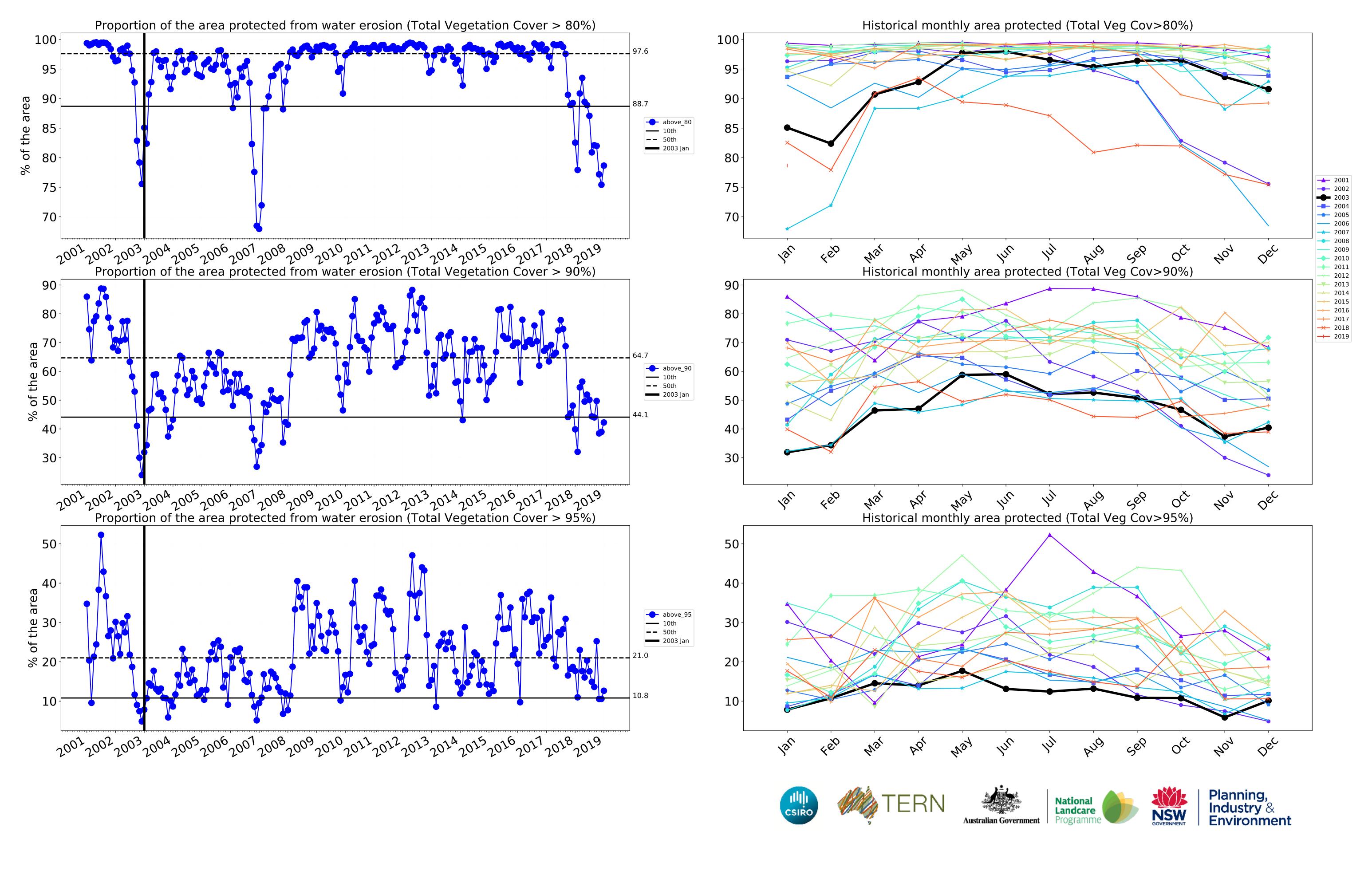




Grazing non forest timeseries





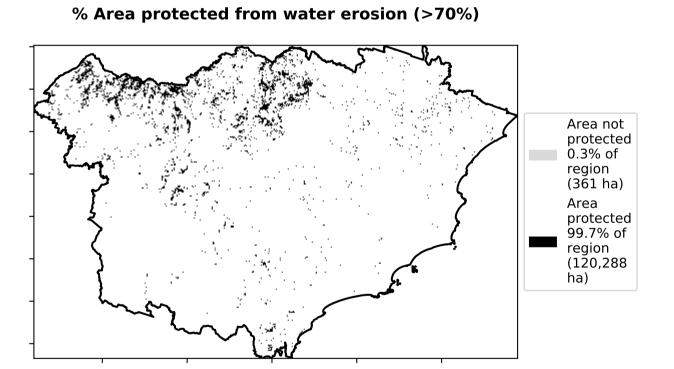


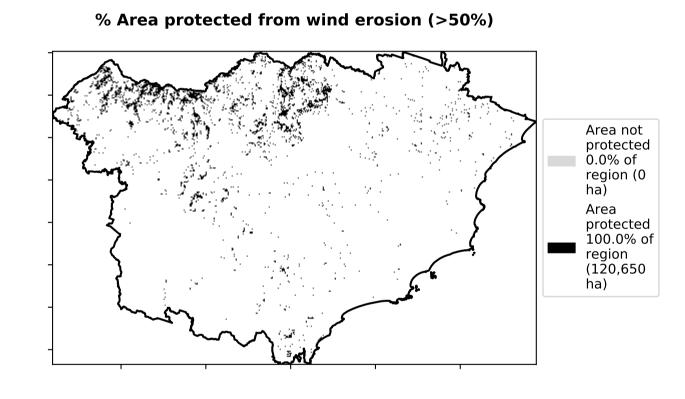
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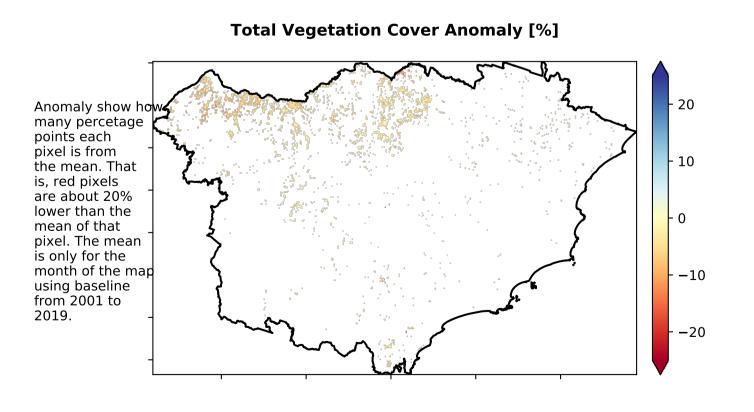
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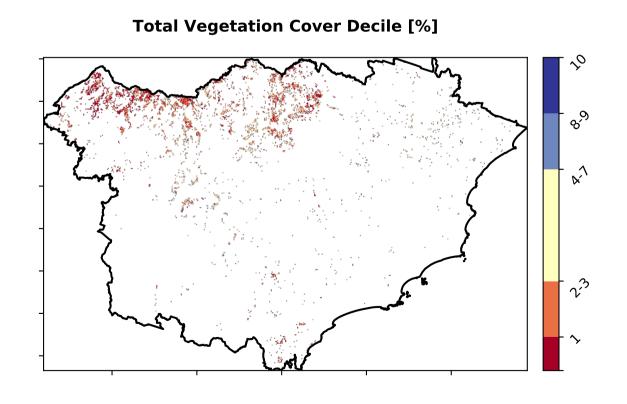
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 100 99.7% 80 80 40 20 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% 71%-100% Total Vegetation Cover class













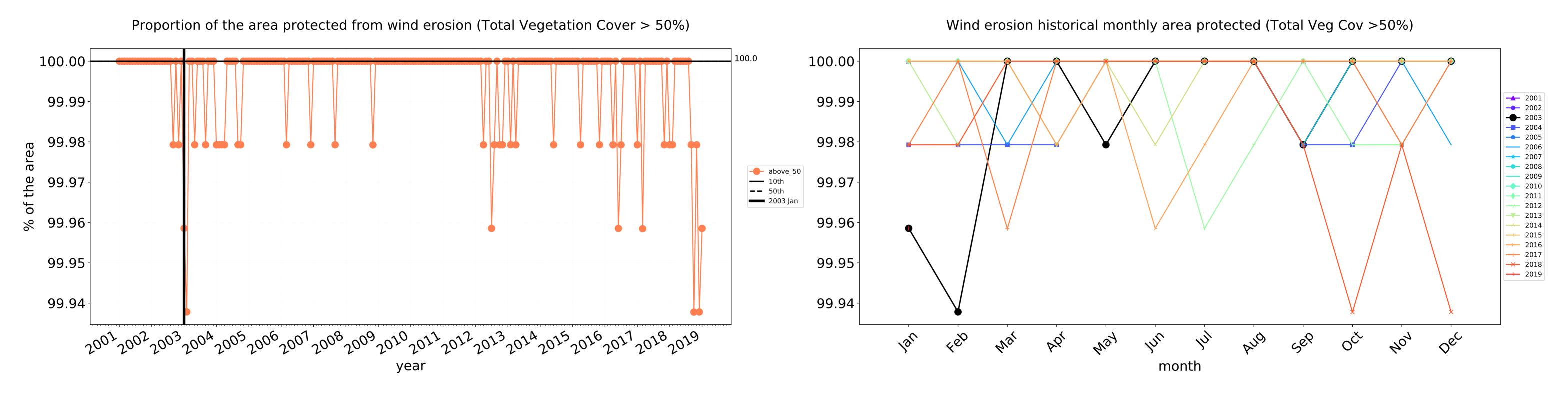


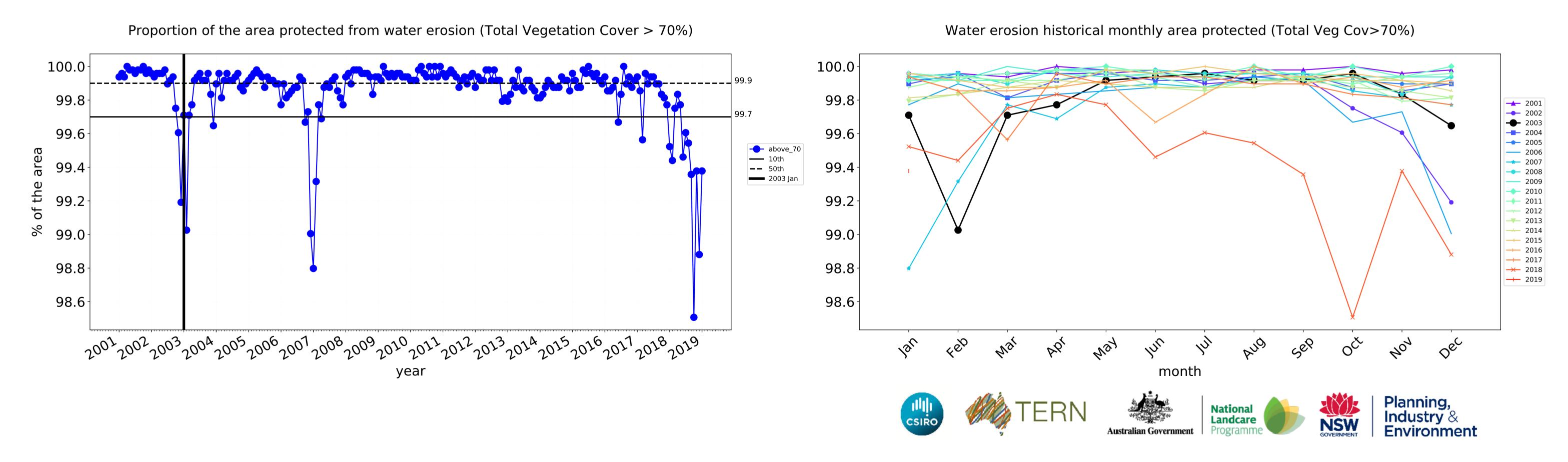


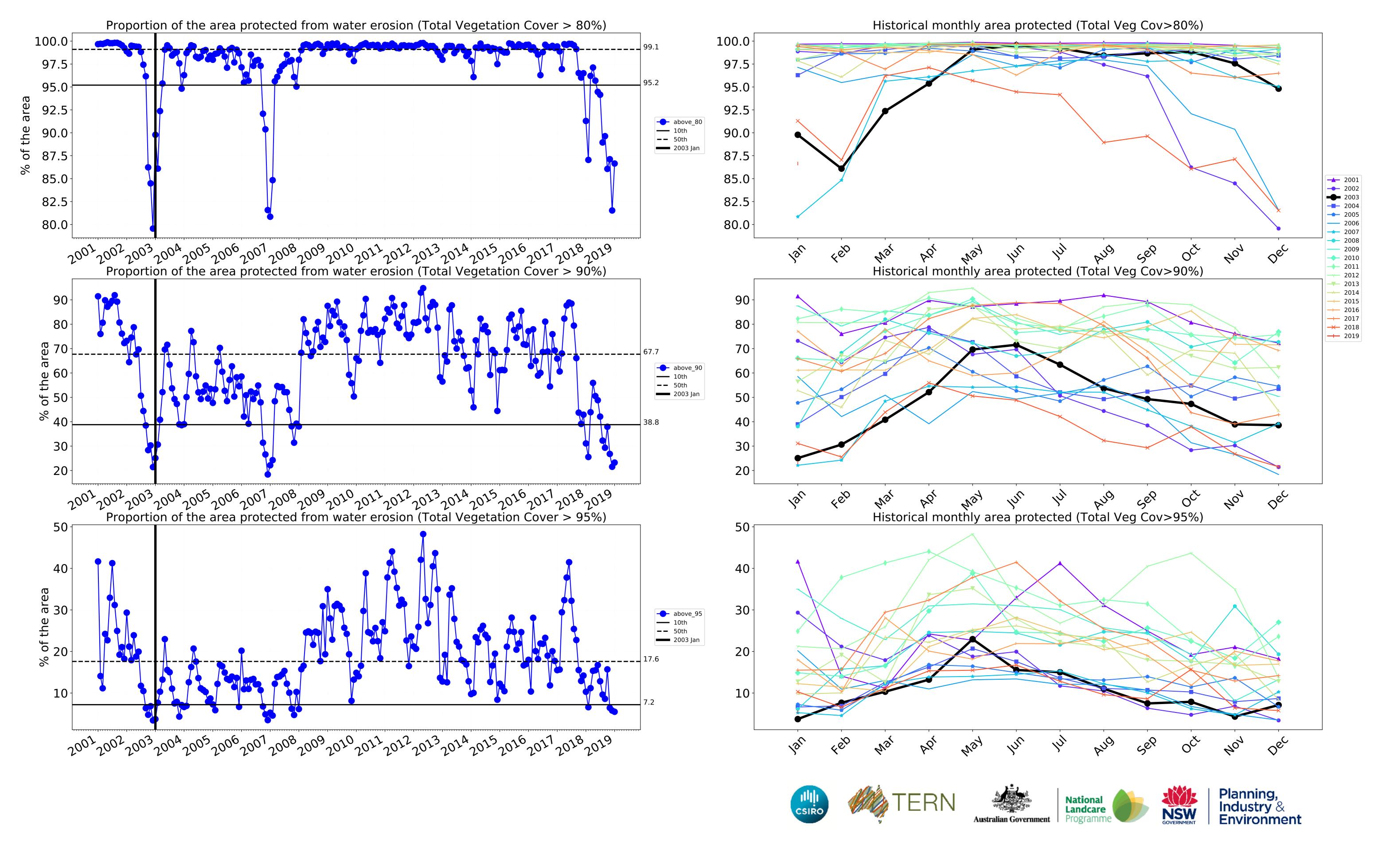




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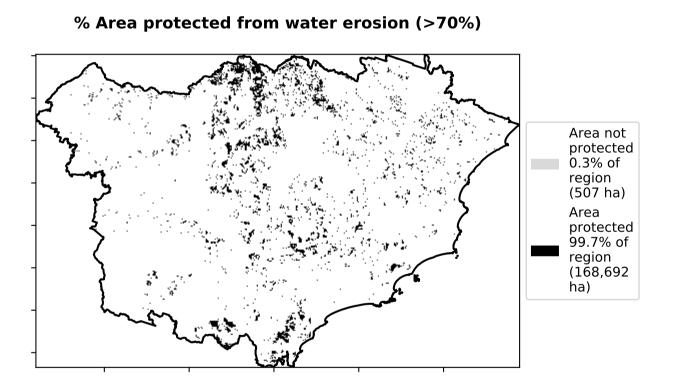


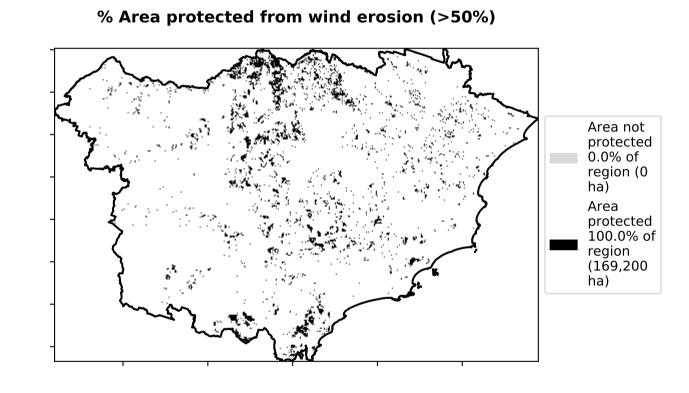
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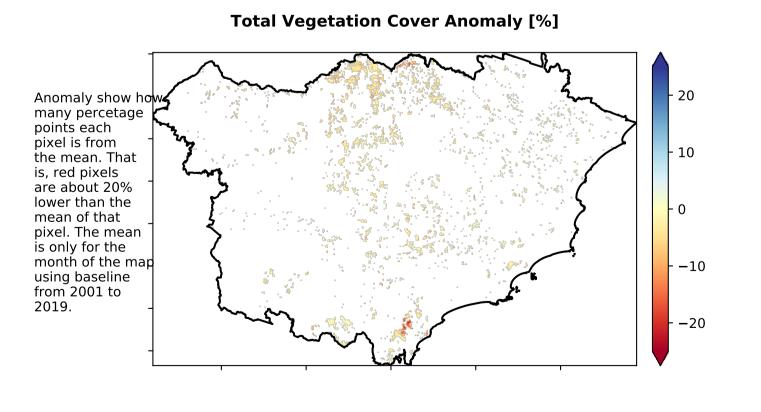
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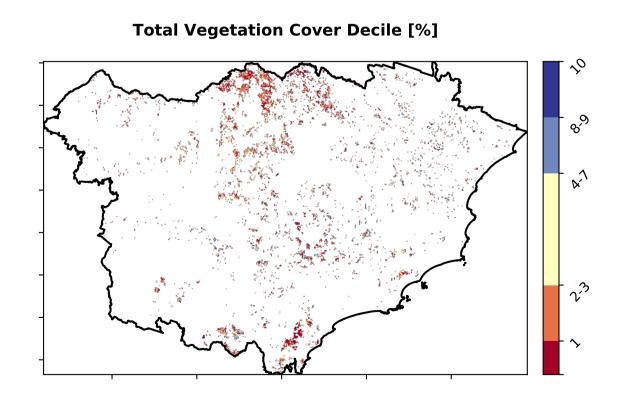
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 100 - 99.7% 80 - 99.7% 40 - 20 - 0.0% 0.0% 0.3% 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% 71%-100% Total Vegetation Cover class











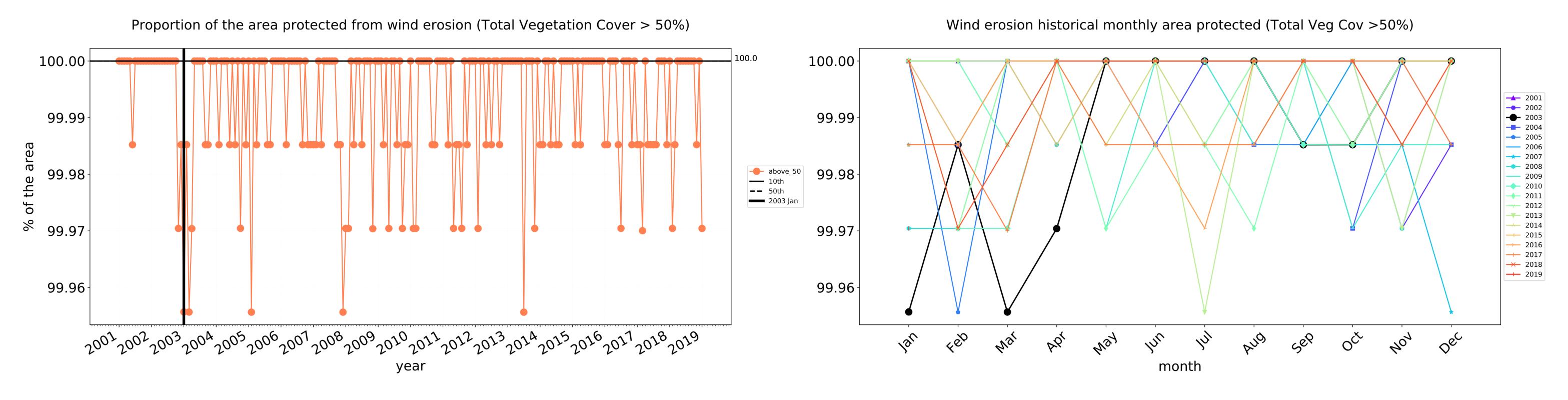


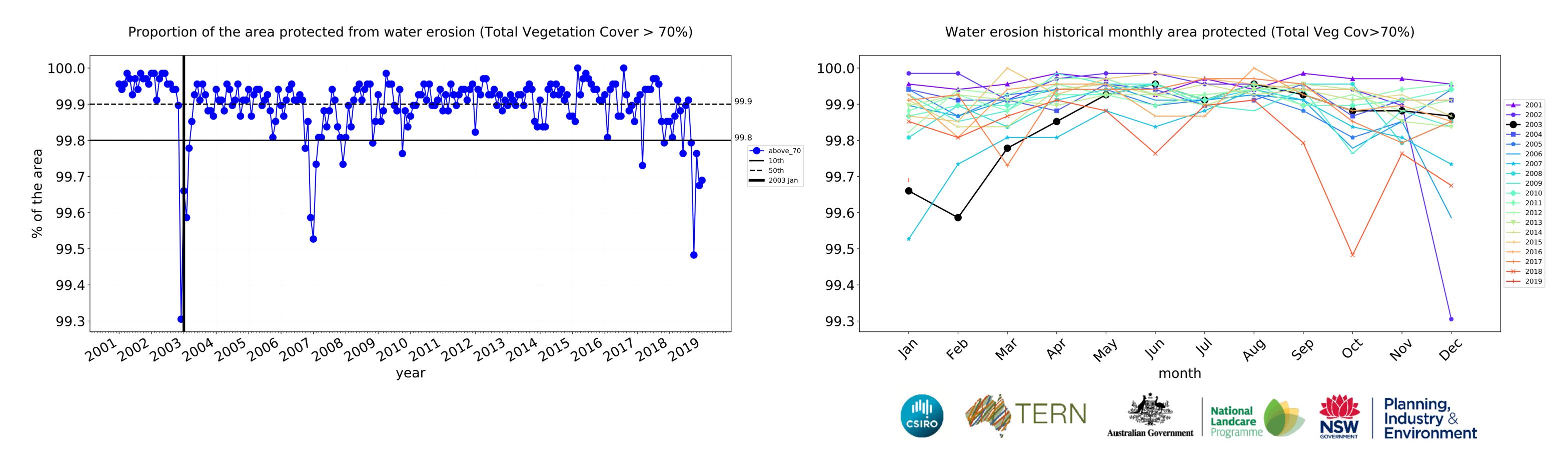


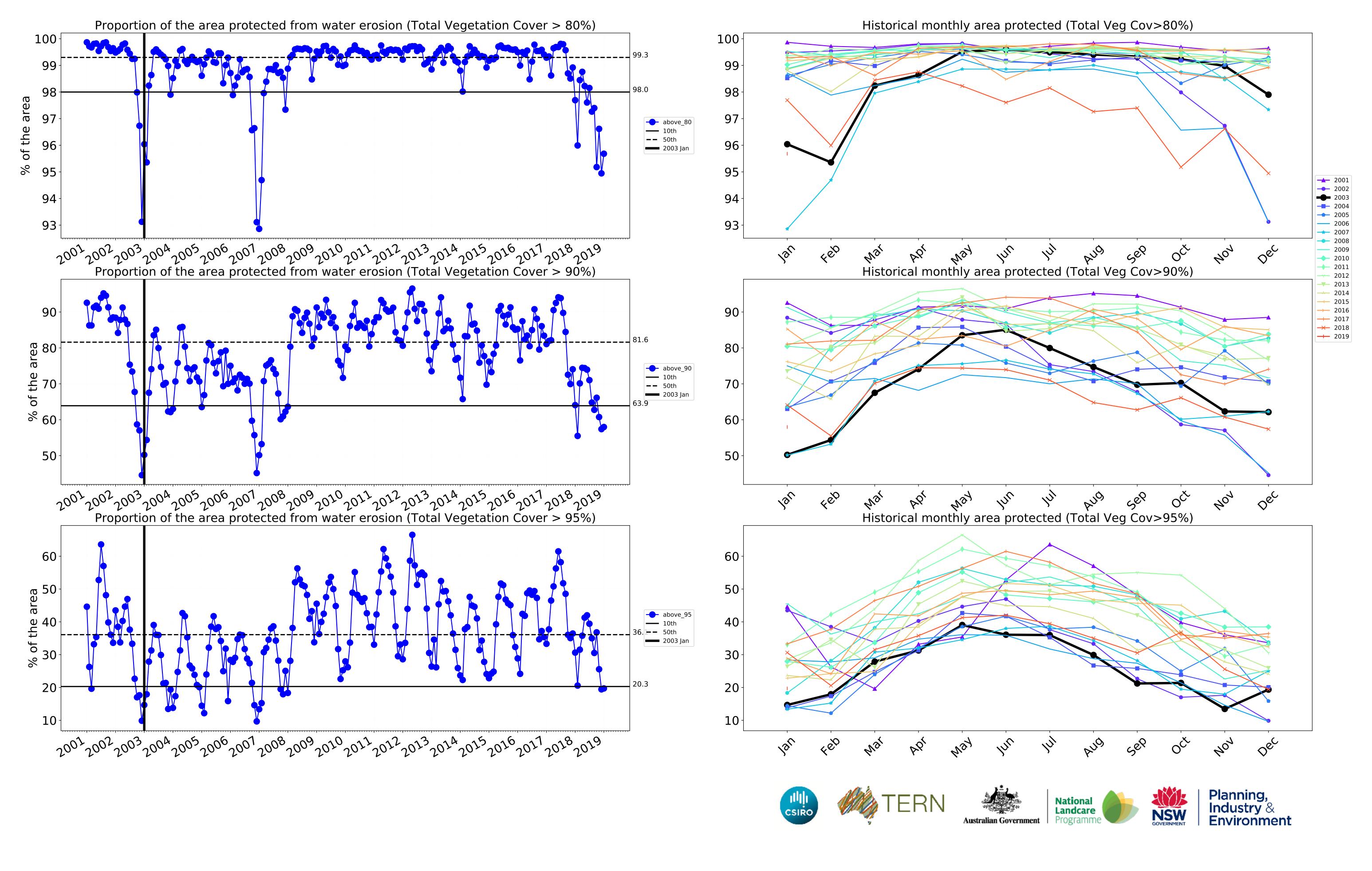






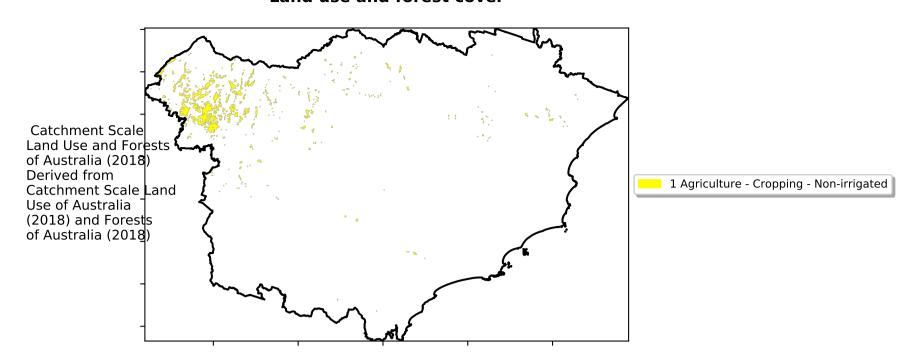




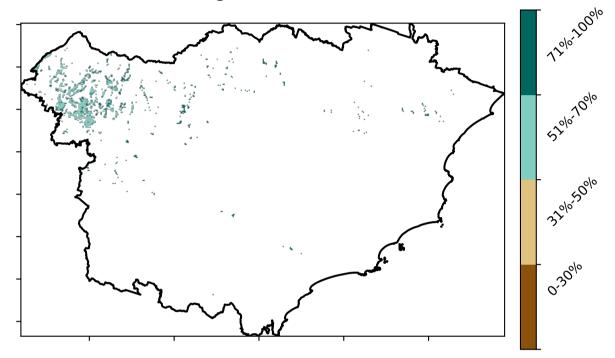


Cropping

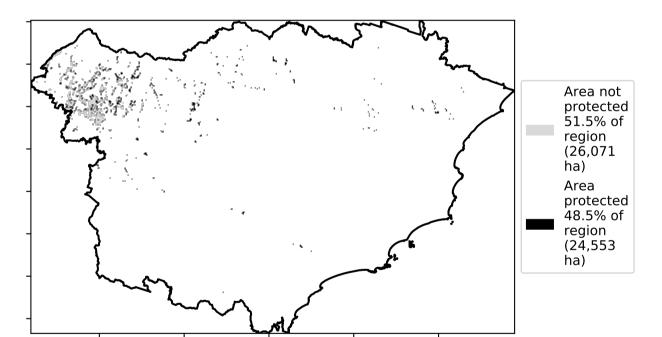
Land use and forest cover



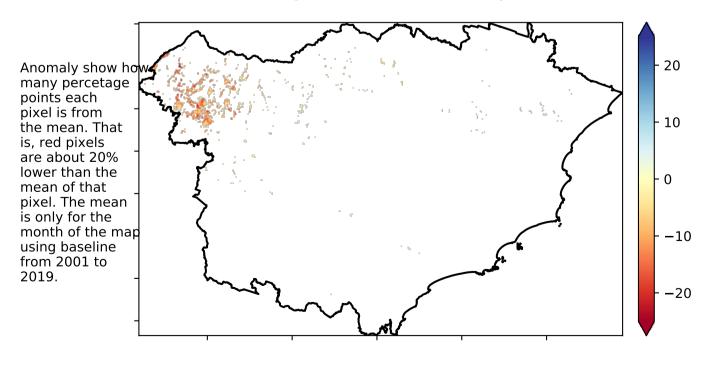
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

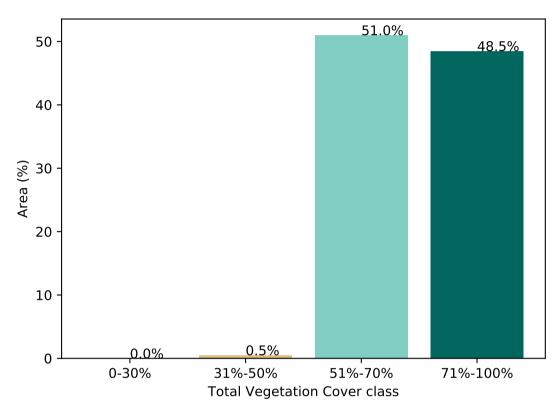


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

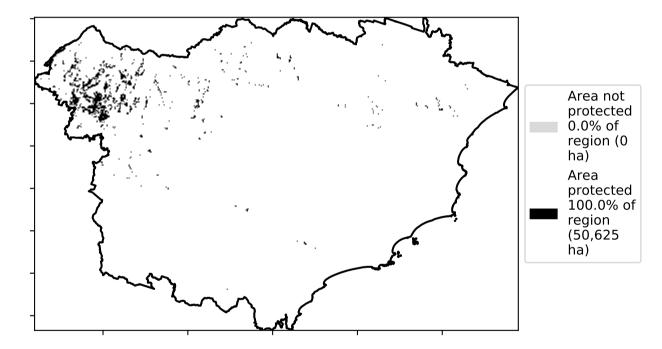


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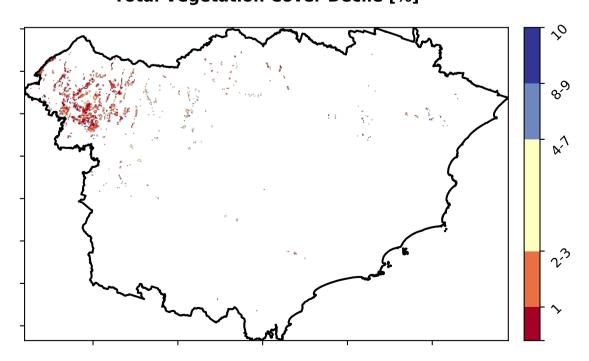
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







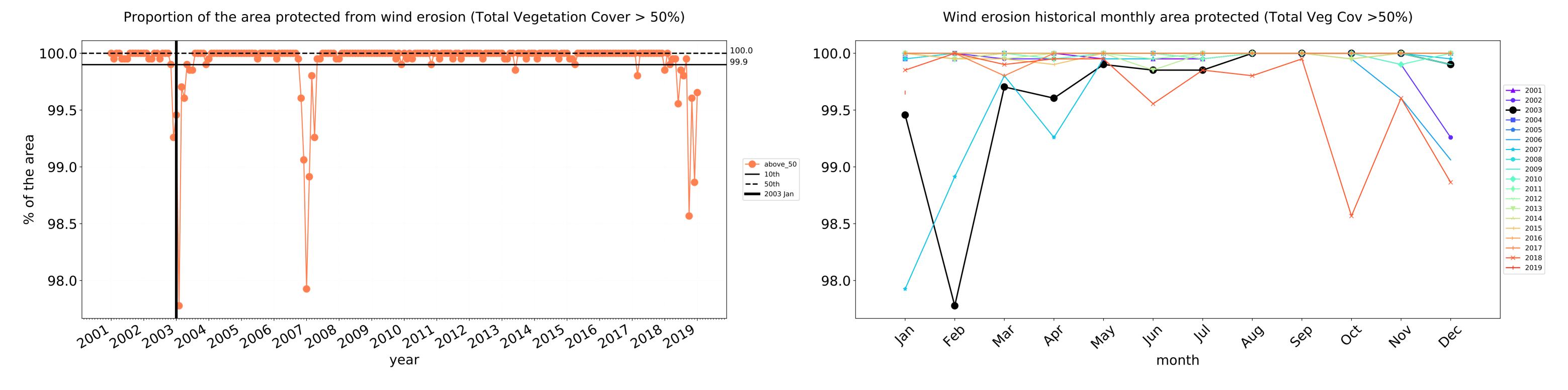


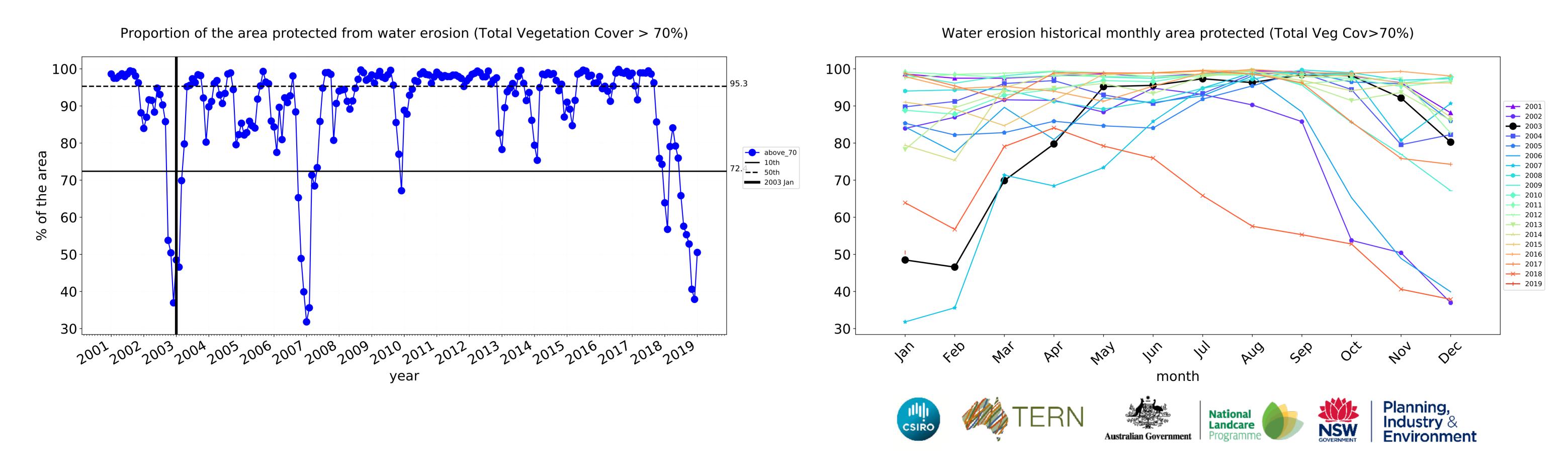


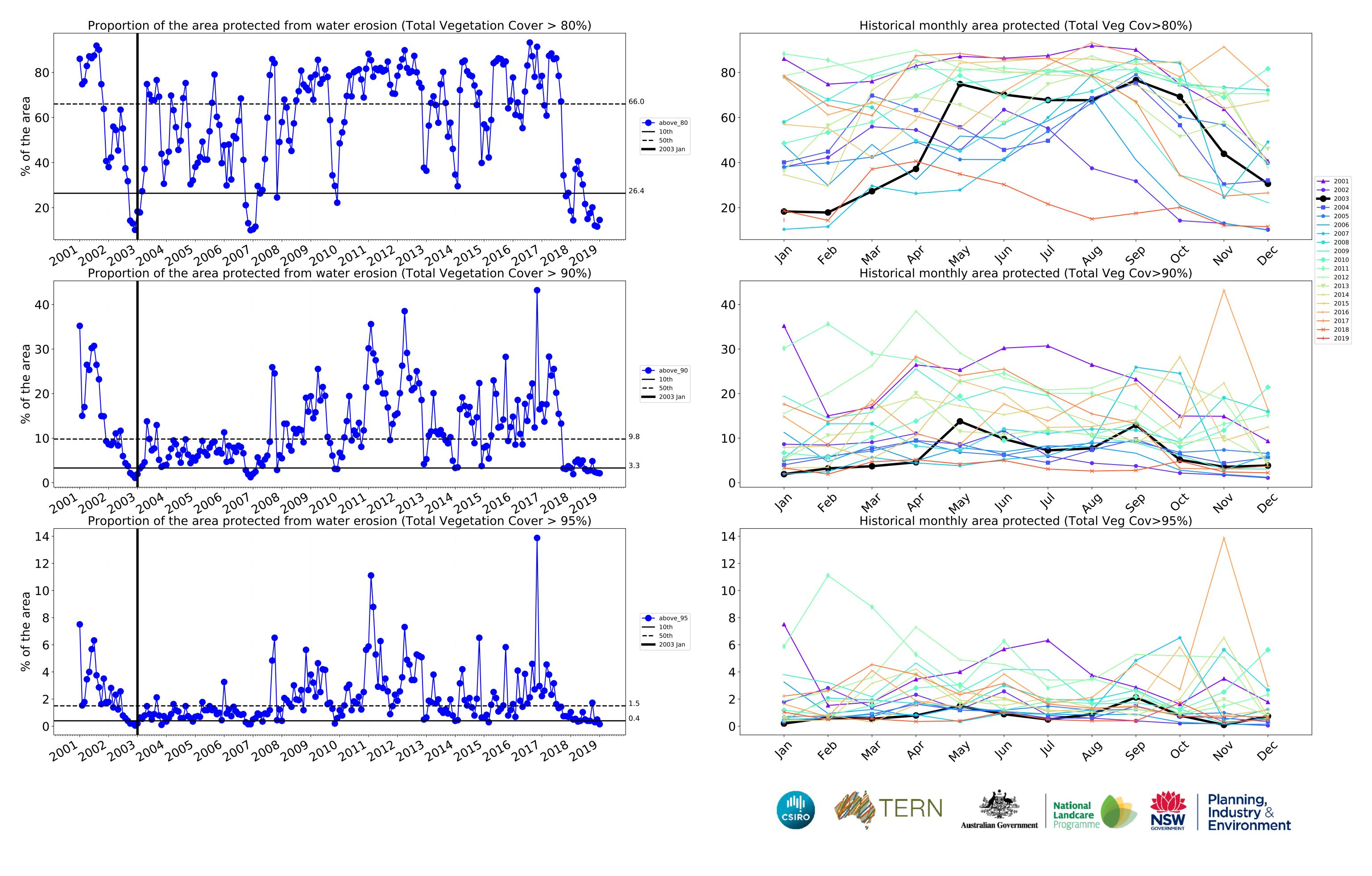




Cropping timeseries







Production native forests and plantation forests

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

Total Vegetation Cover [%]

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

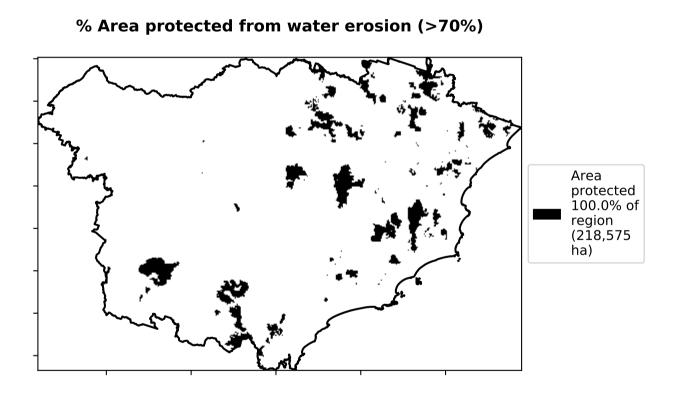
100 - 100.0%

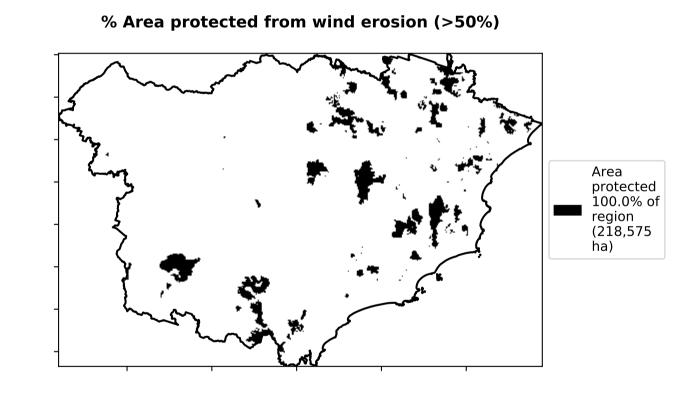
80 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 0.0%

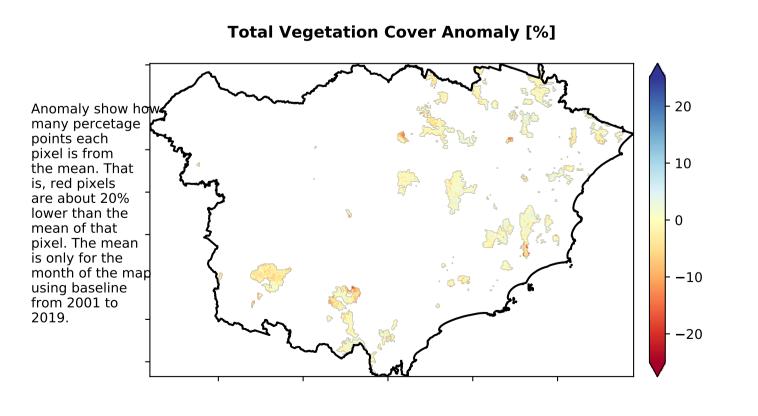
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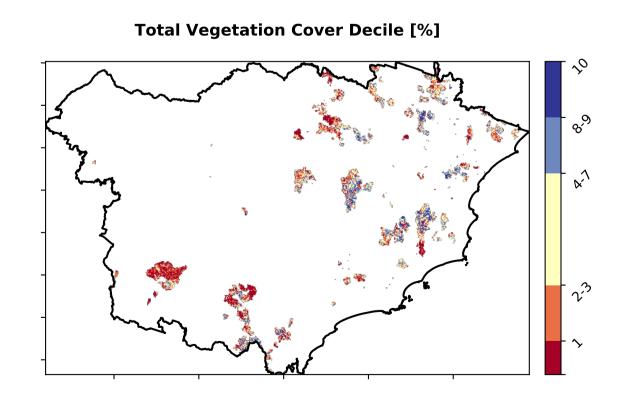
31%-50%

Total Vegetation Cover class













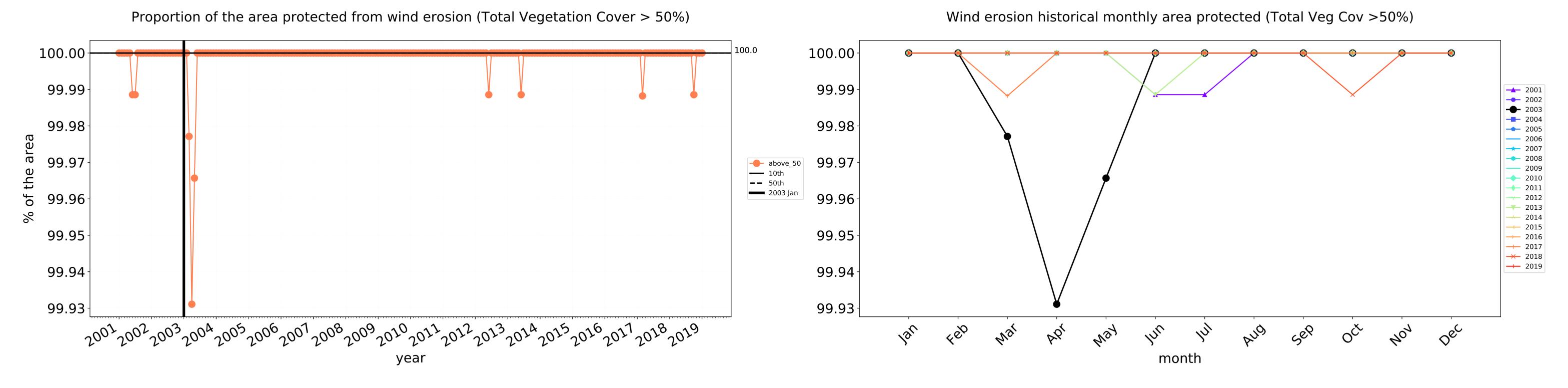


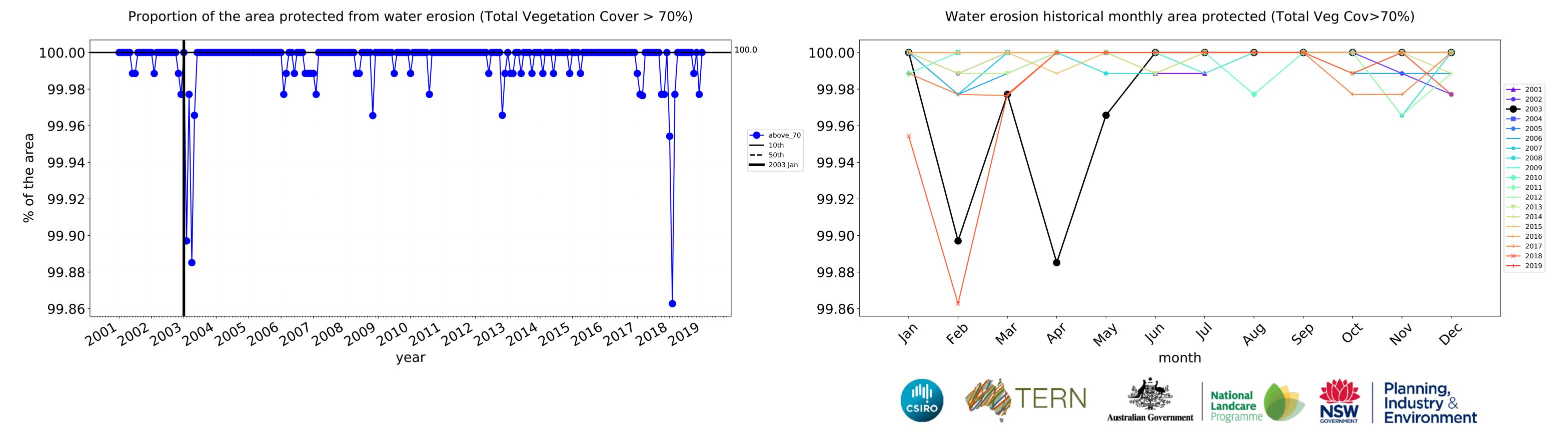


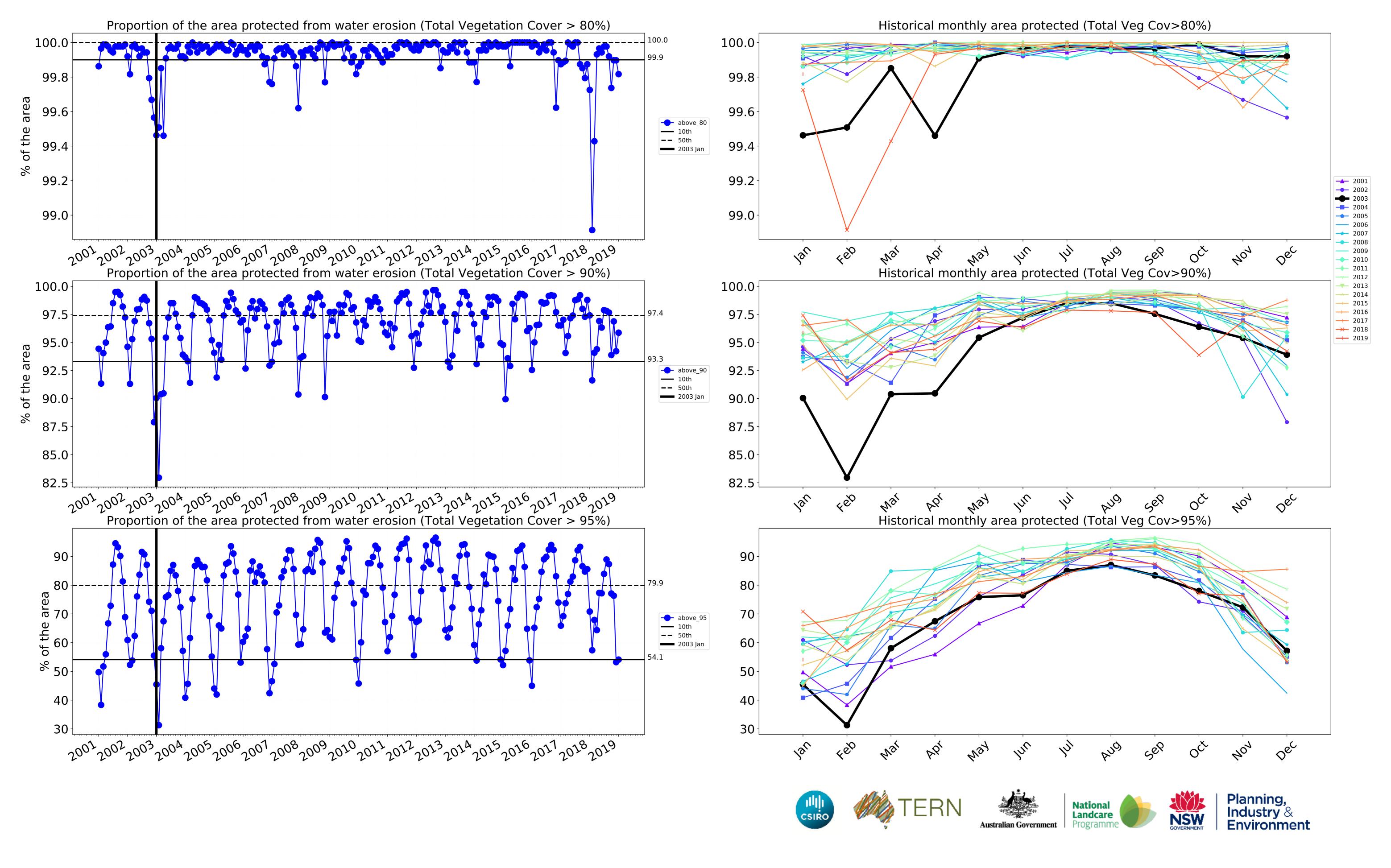




Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries







Hunter (3,238,925 ha and no data 61,500 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	3,238,925	99.9% 3,235,751	99.7% 3,227,804	97.1% 3,144,966	88.9% 2,878,758	49.9% 1,615,839	17.8% 575,921
Conservation and natural environments	1,241,050	99.9% 1,239,775	99.8% 1,238,600	99.5% 1,234,800	97.8% 1,214,350	70.6% 876,625	27.6% 342,225
Conservation and natural environments non forest	29,875	96.1% 28,700	93.6% 27,950	89.0% 26,575	82.6% 24,675	52.1% 15,550	16.9% 5,050
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	138,975	100.0% 138,925	99.9% 138,875	99.7% 138,550	96.7% 134,425	57.2% 79,425	13.2% 18,350
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	1,072,200	100.0% 1,072,150	100.0% 1,071,775	99.8% 1,069,675	98.4% 1,055,250	72.9% 781,650	29.7% 318,825
Agriculture	1,580,825	100.0% 1,580,700	99.9% 1,579,575	96.7% 1,529,050	84.1% 1,330,225	31.9% 504,925	7.9% 124,625
Grazing	1,502,825	100.0% 1,502,700	99.9% 1,501,850	98.3% 1,477,750	86.7% 1,302,875	33.4% 502,150	8.3% 124,350
Grazing non forest	1,212,975	100.0% 1,212,850	99.9% 1,212,125	98.0% 1,188,825	85.1% 1,032,050	31.9% 386,925	7.8% 95,025
Grazing Woodland forest	120,650	100.0% 120,650	100.0% 120,600	99.7% 120,300	89.8% 108,325	25.1% 30,250	3.7% 4,500
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	169,200	100.0% 169,200	100.0% 169,125	99.7% 168,625	96.0% 162,500	50.2% 84,975	14.7% 24,825
Cropping	50,625	100.0% 50,625	99.5% 50,350	48.5% 24,550	18.3% 9,275	1.9% 975	0.2% 100
Production native forests and plantation forests	218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	99.5% 217,400	90.0% 196,825	45.5% 99,375











