### 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: July 2004

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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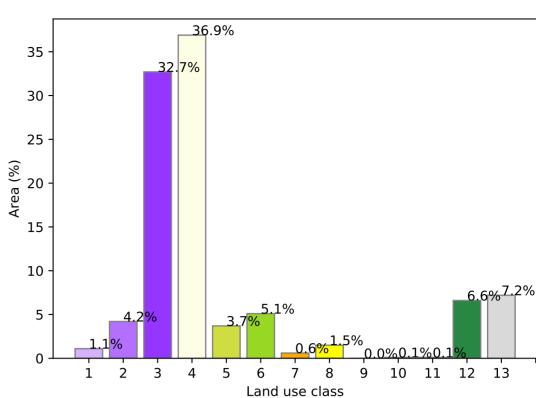


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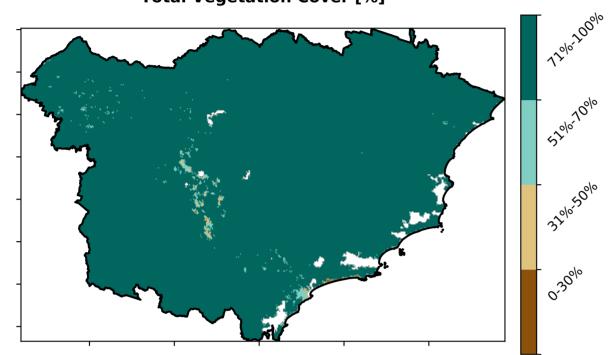
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13 Other uses

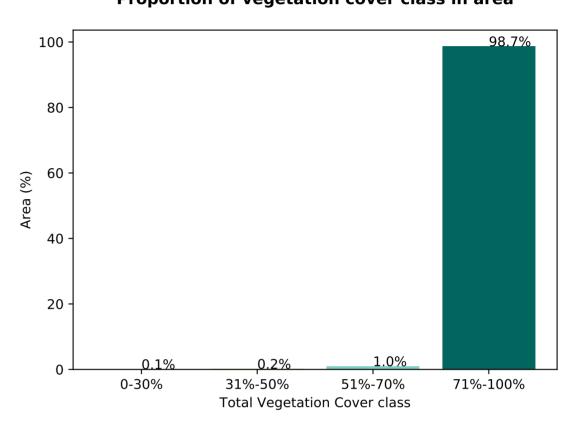
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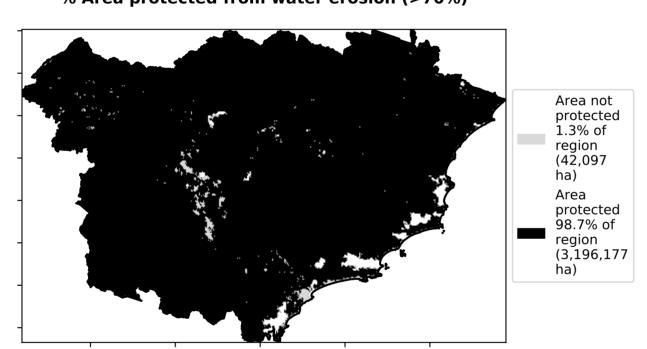




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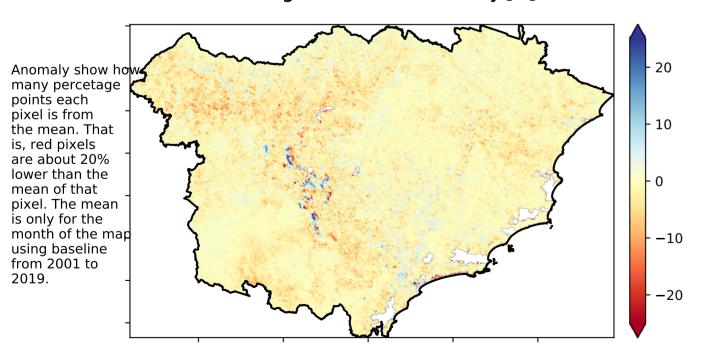
### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

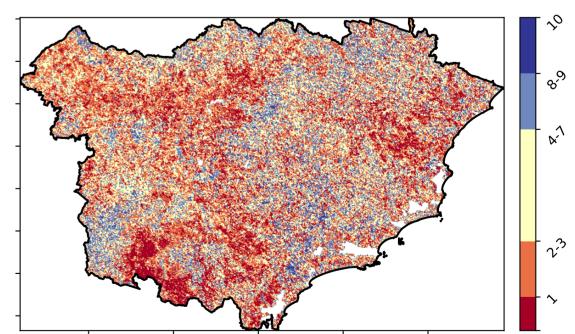


### Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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





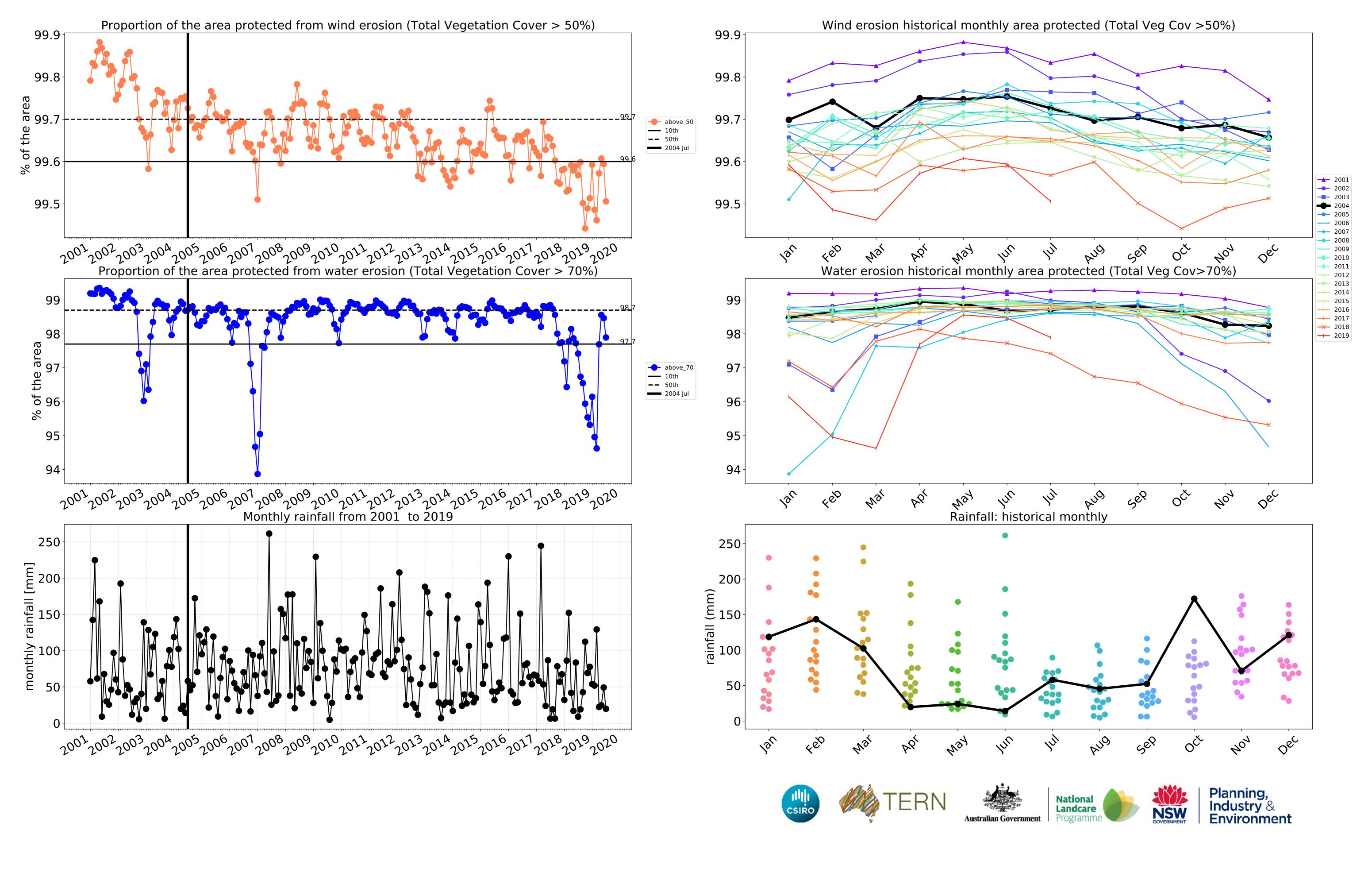


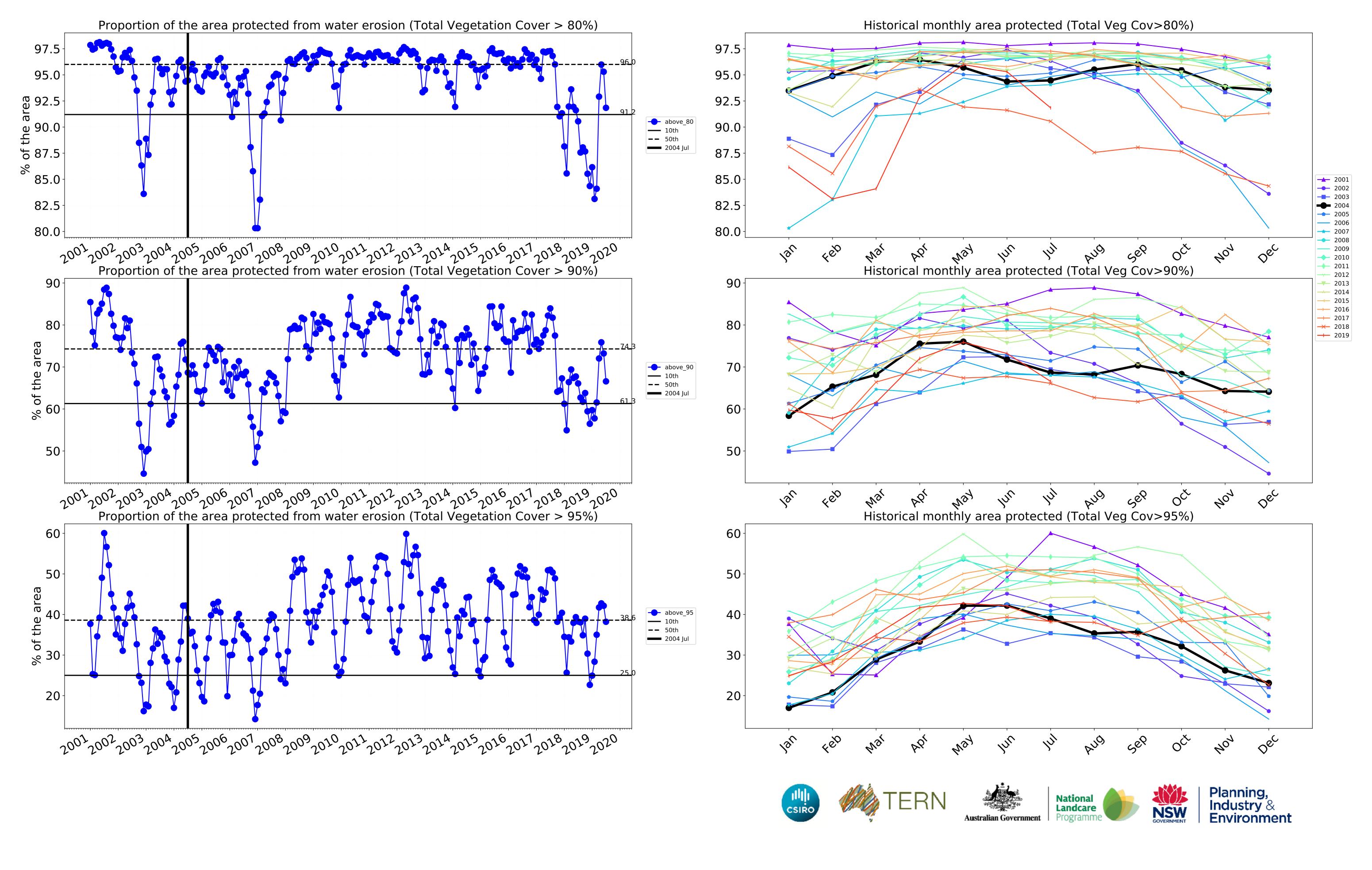






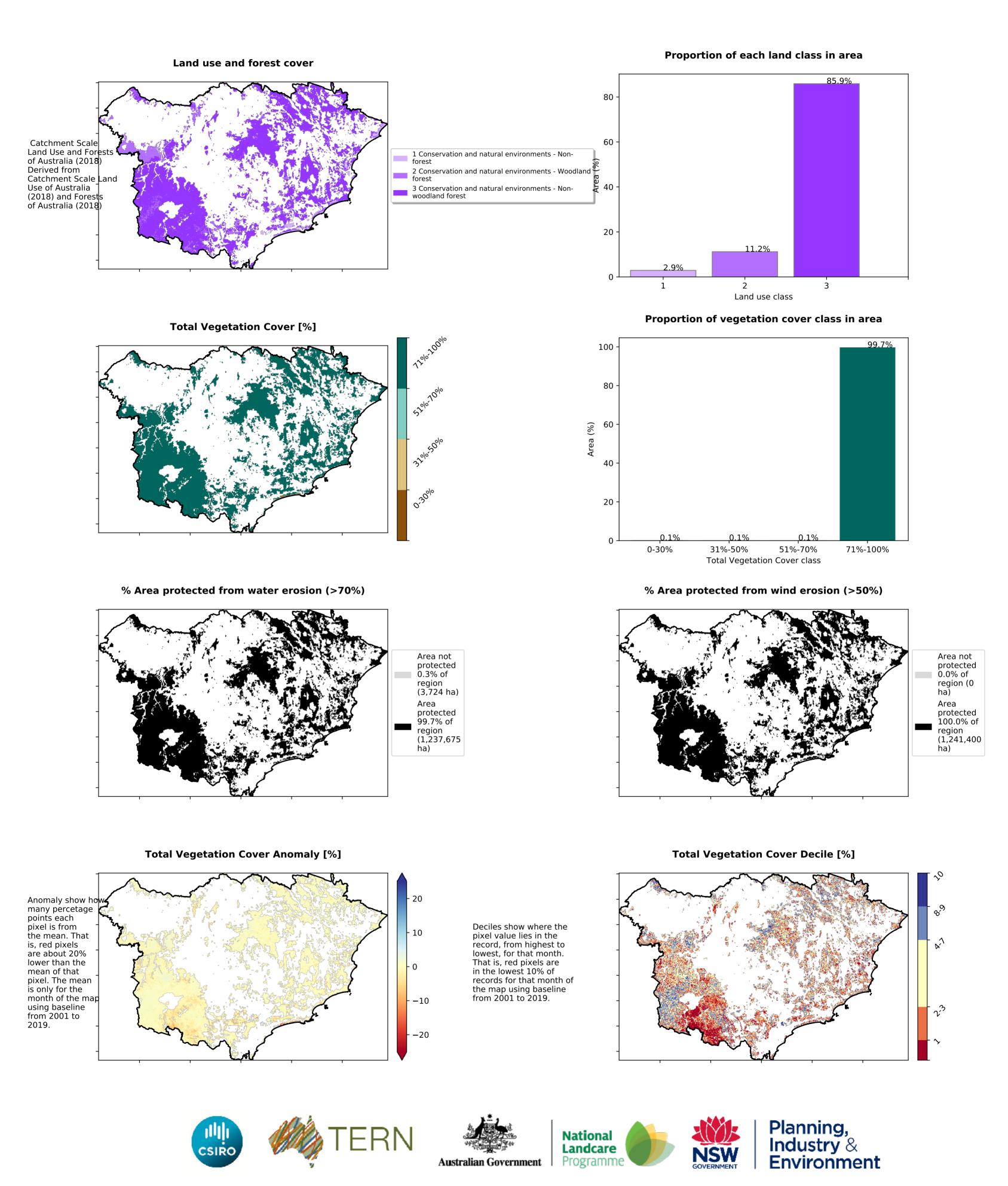




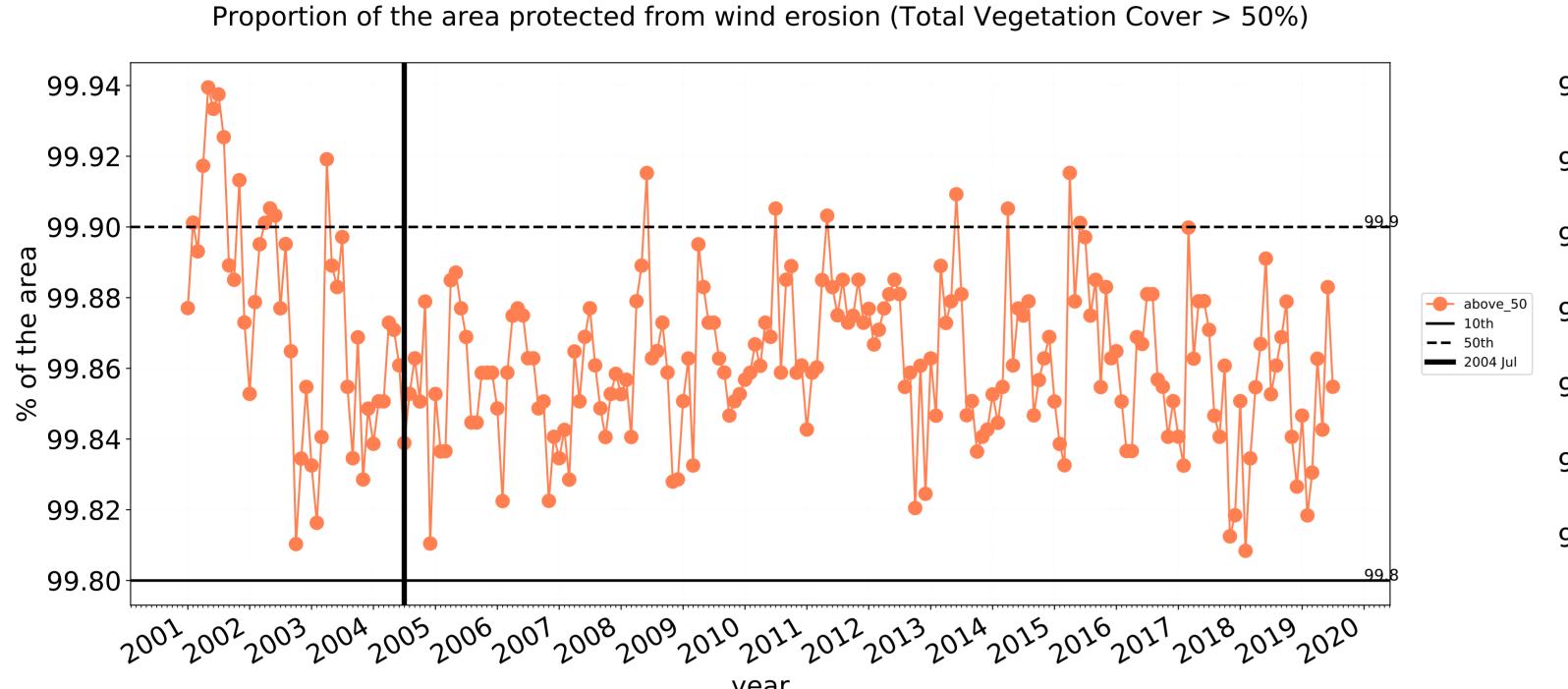


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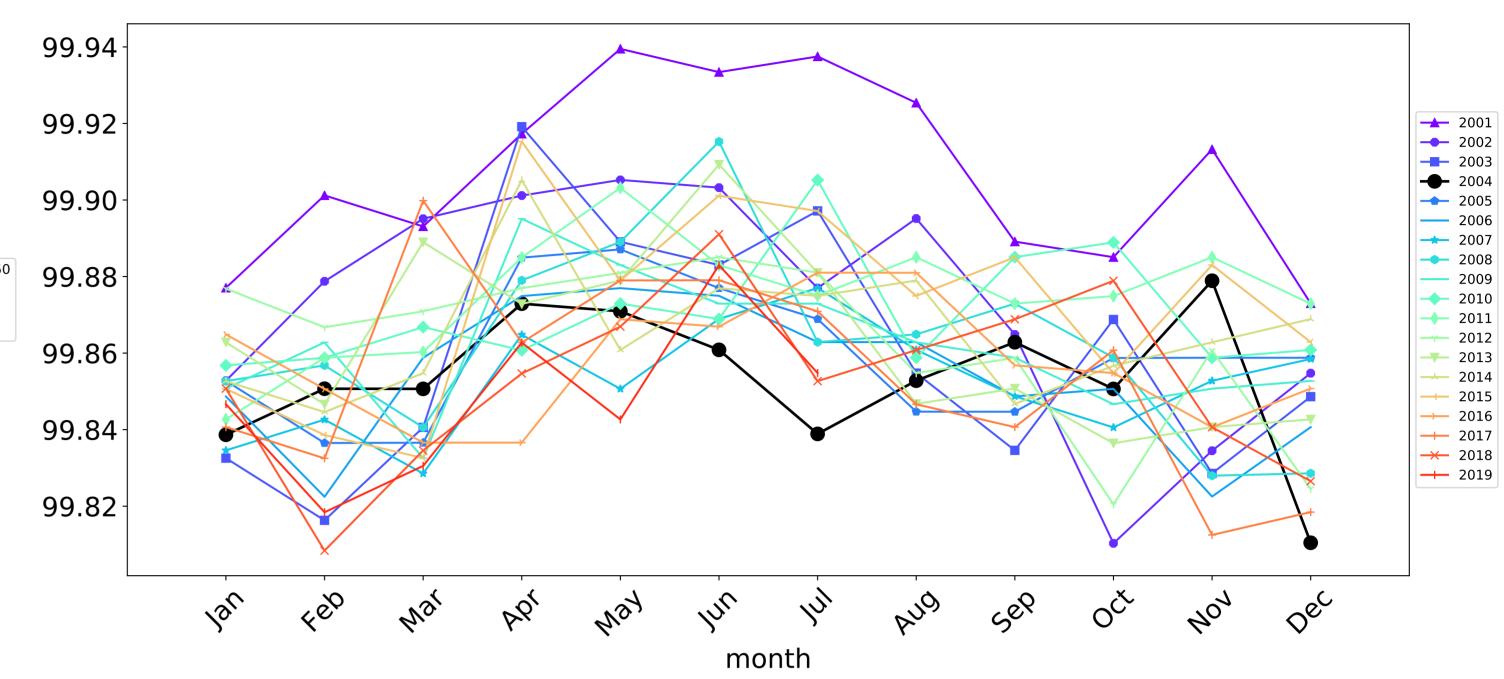
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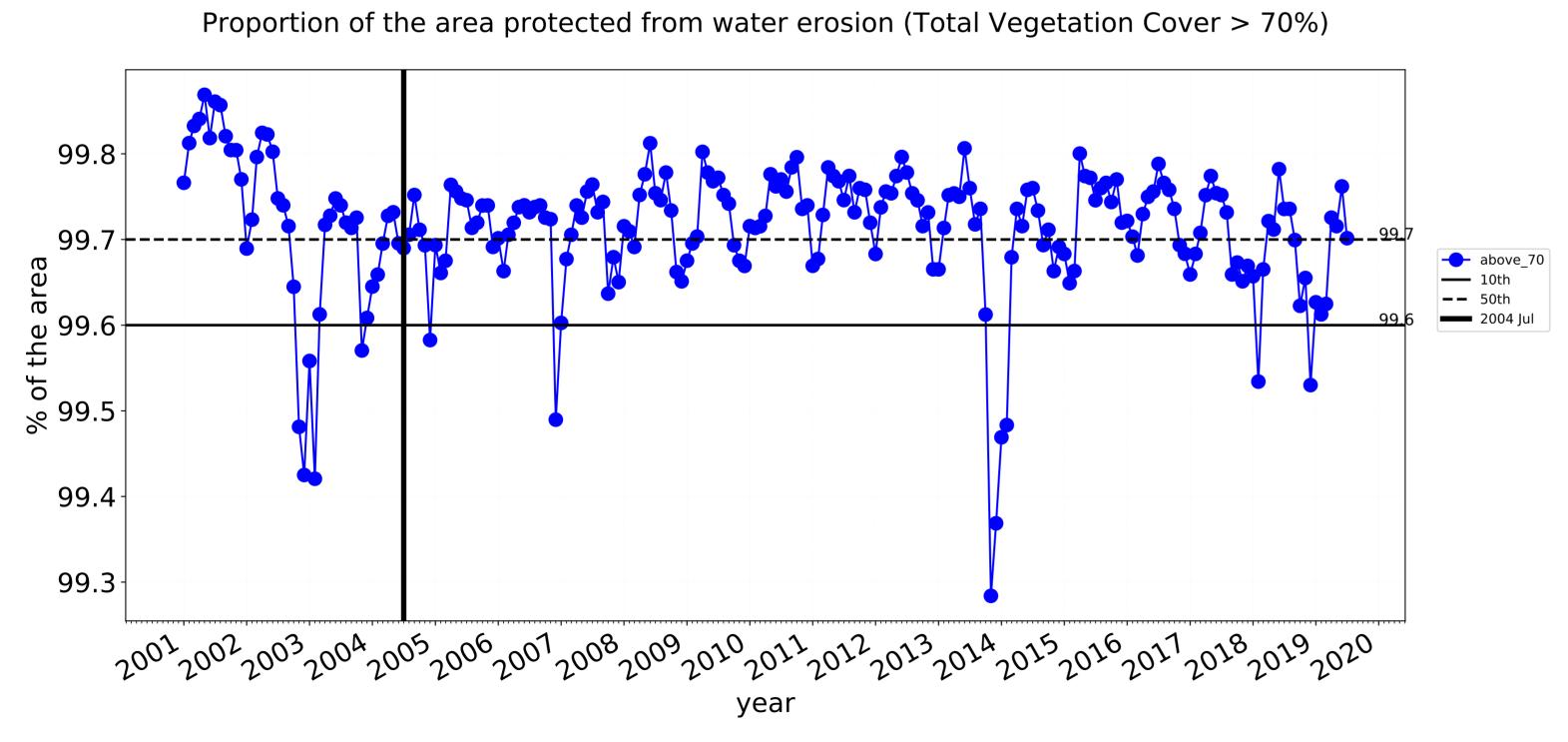


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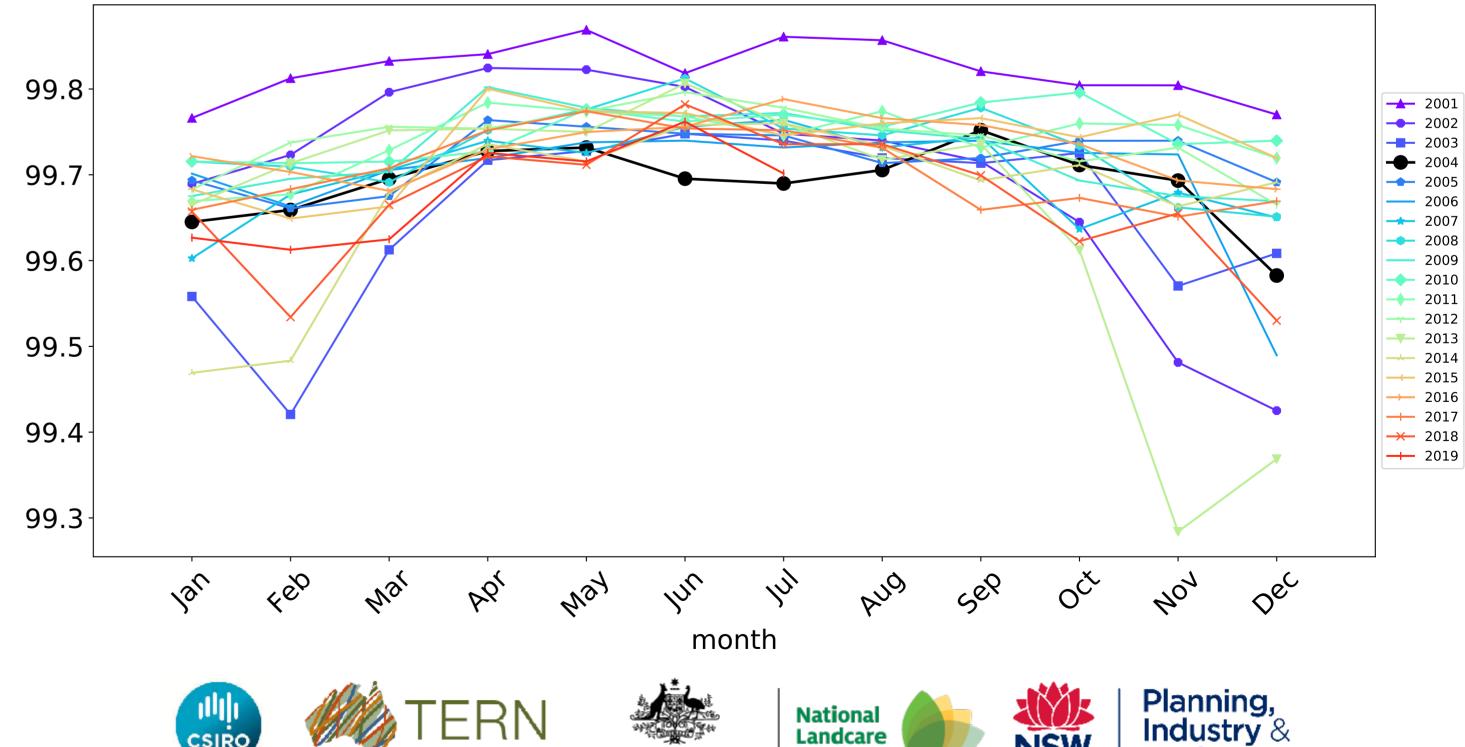


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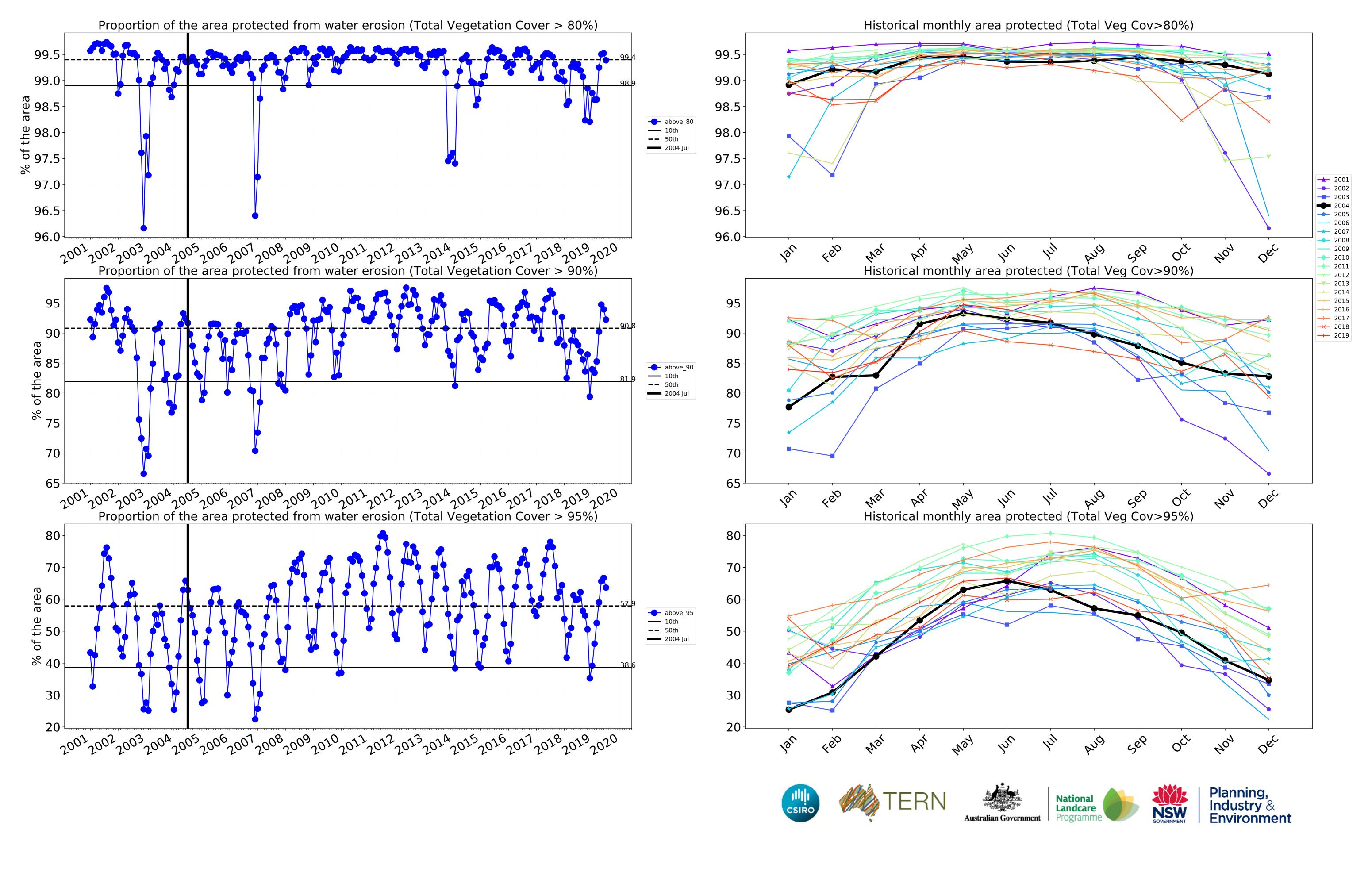




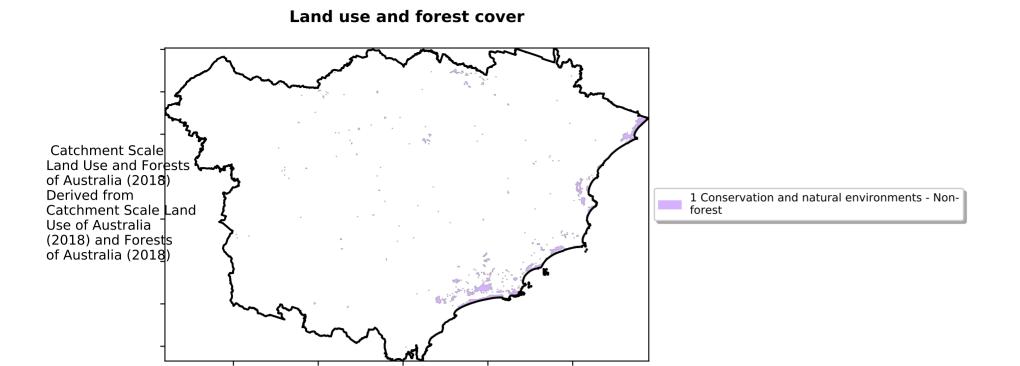




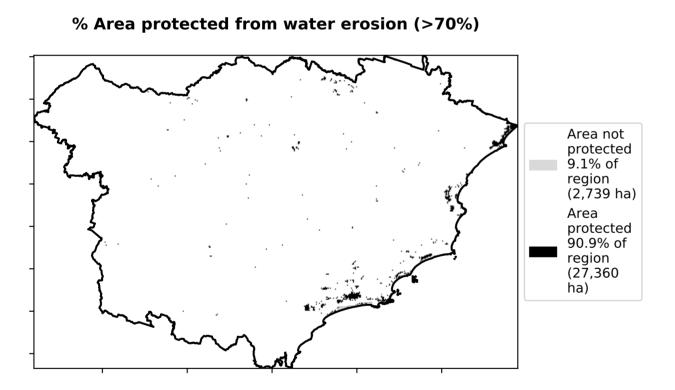


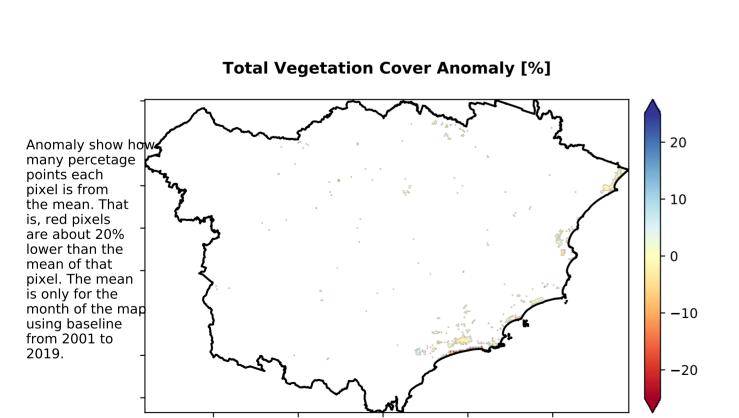


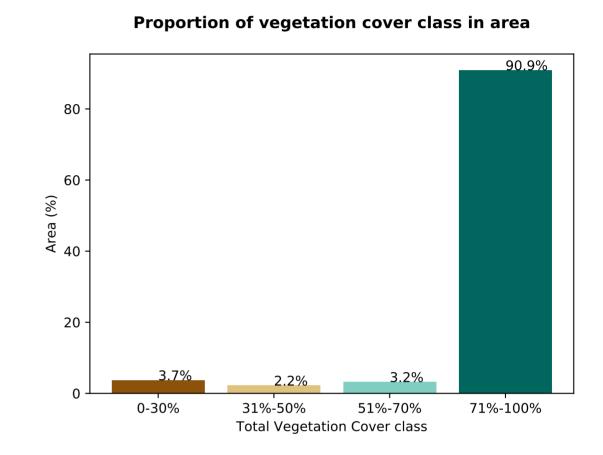
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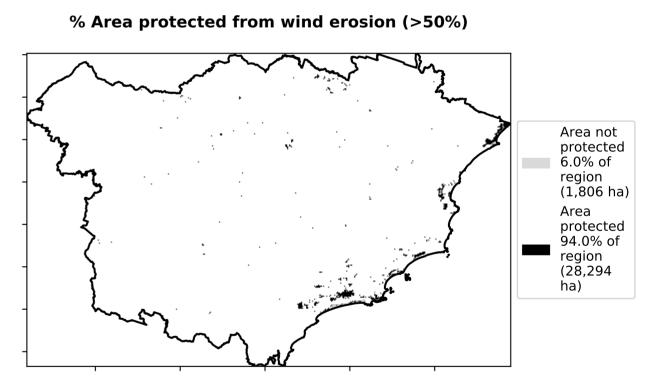


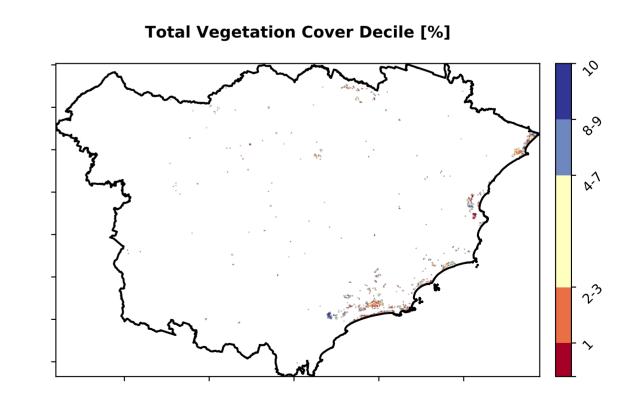
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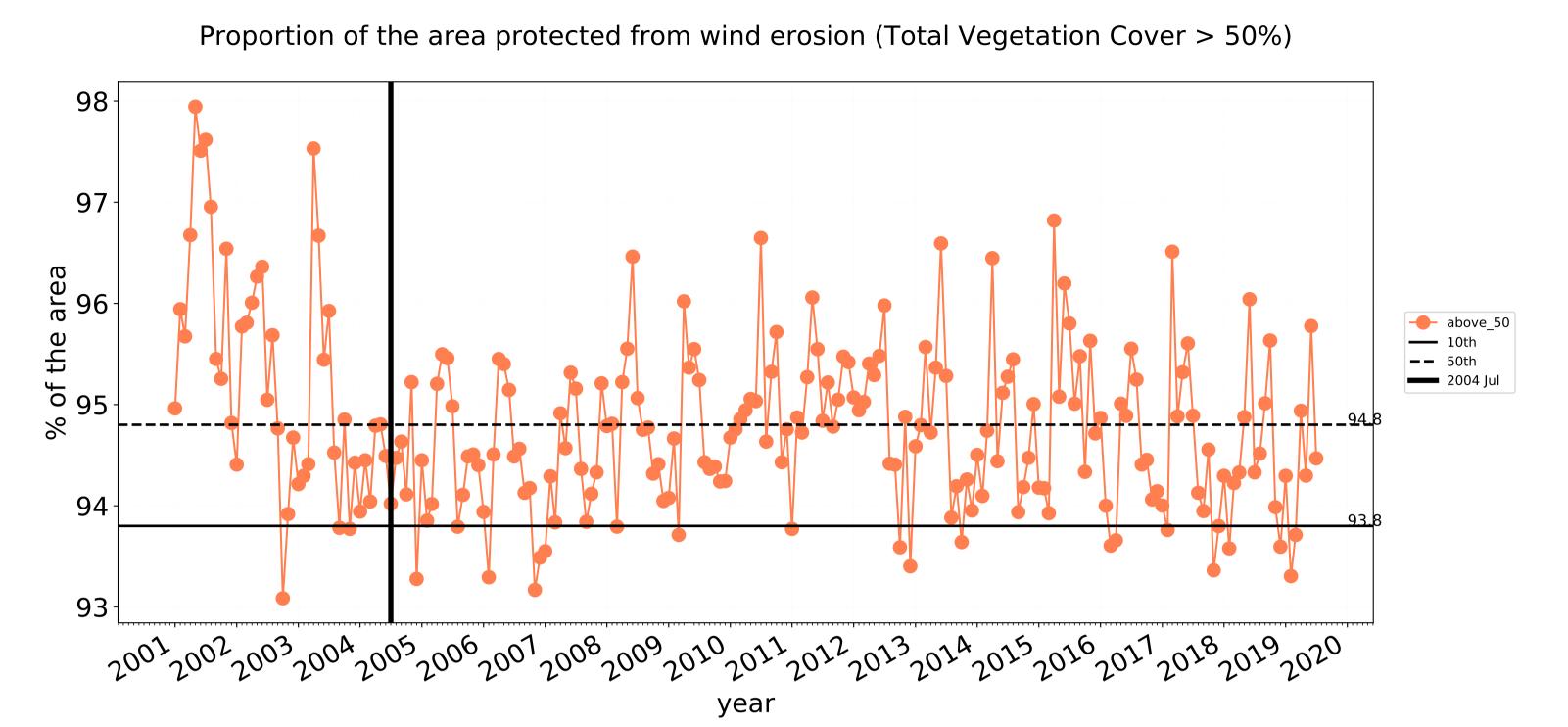




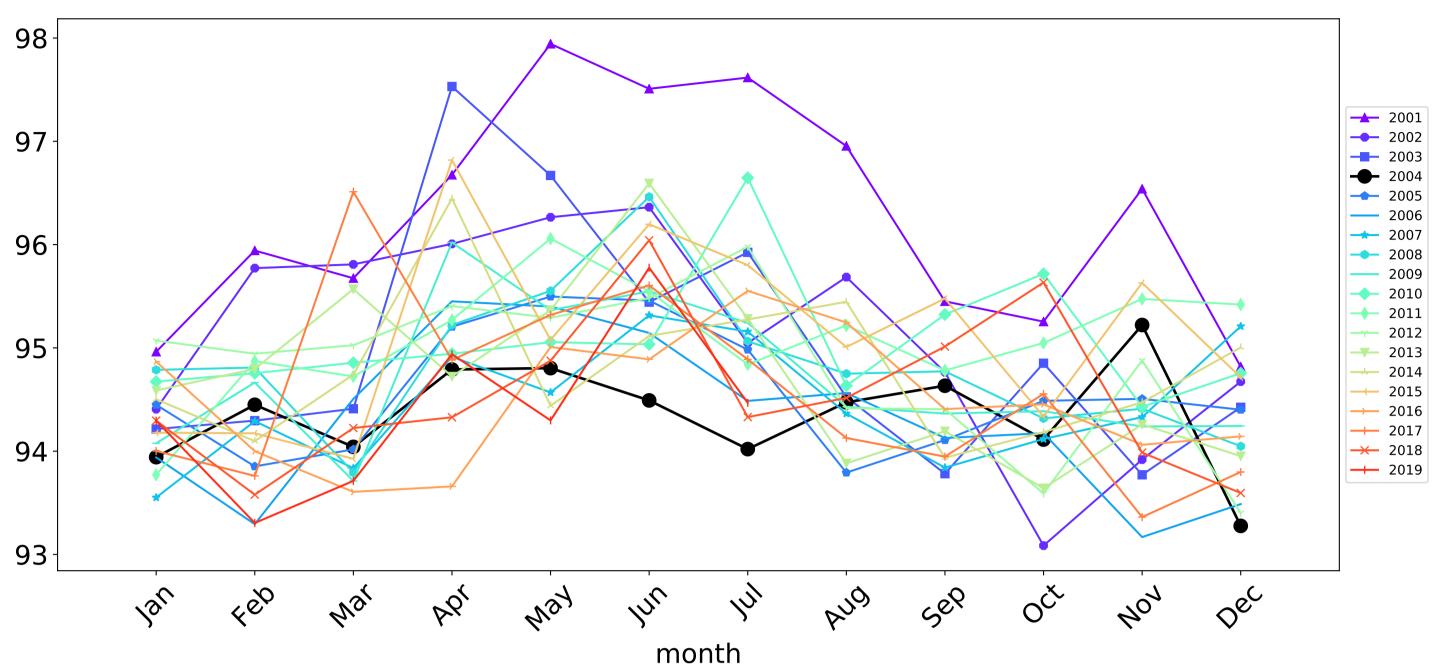




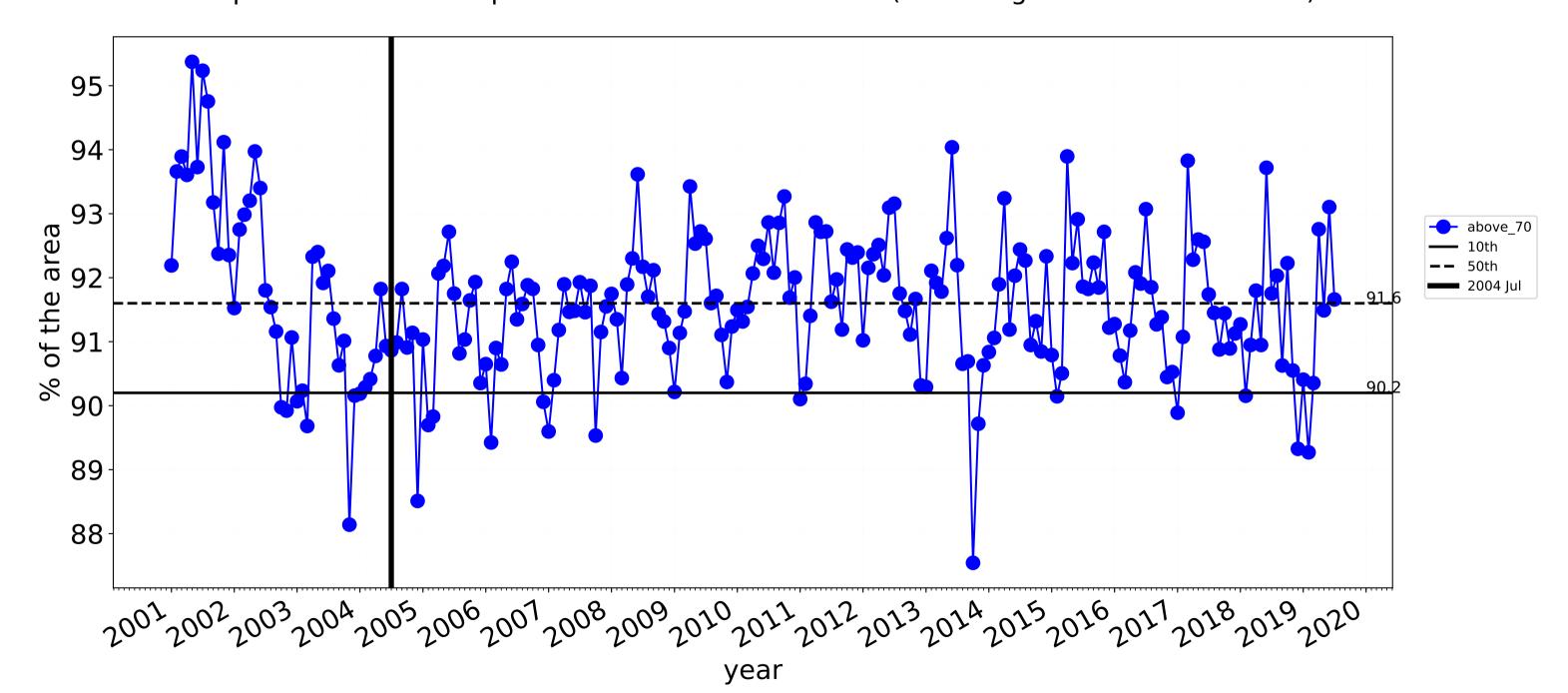
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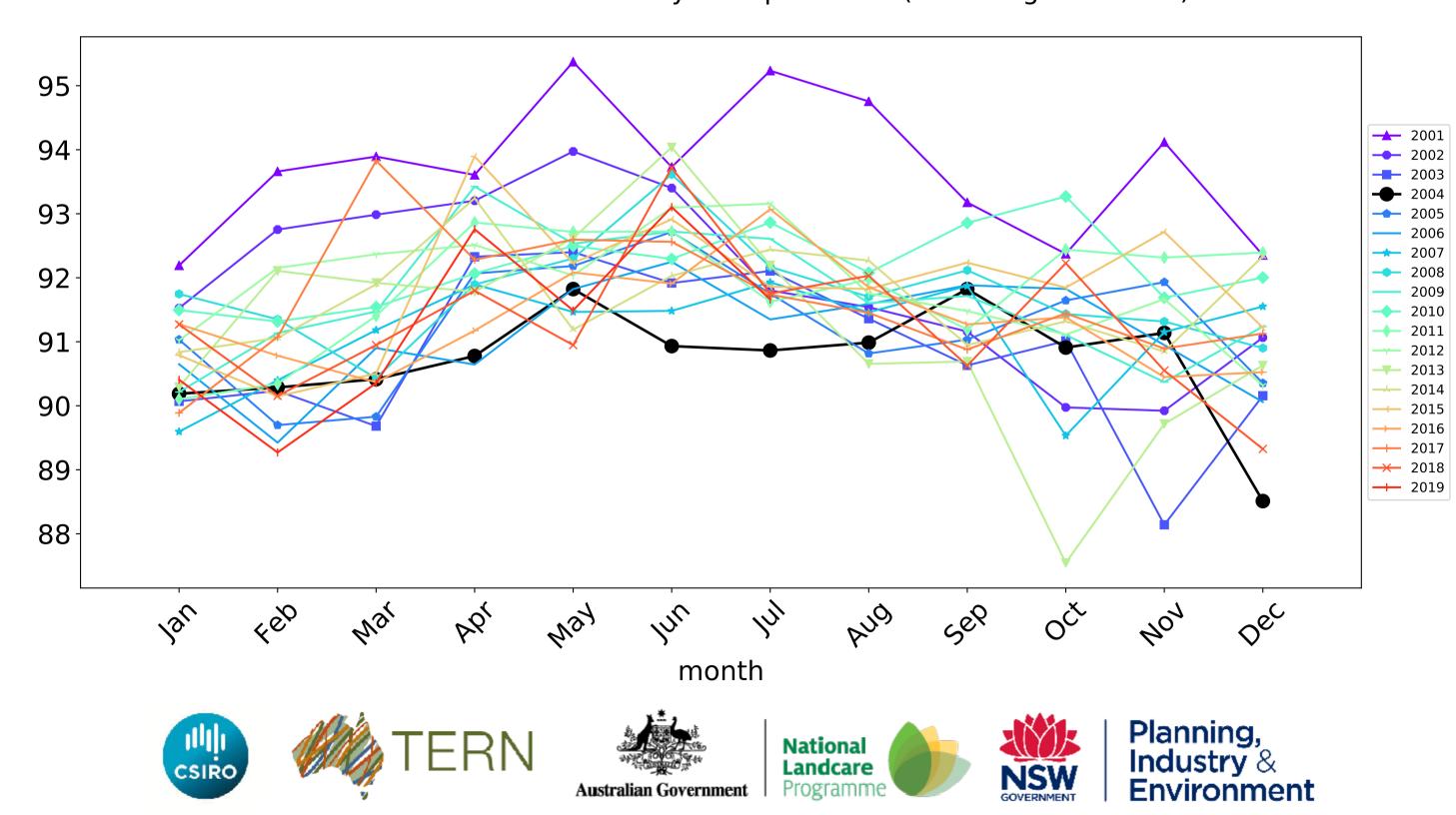


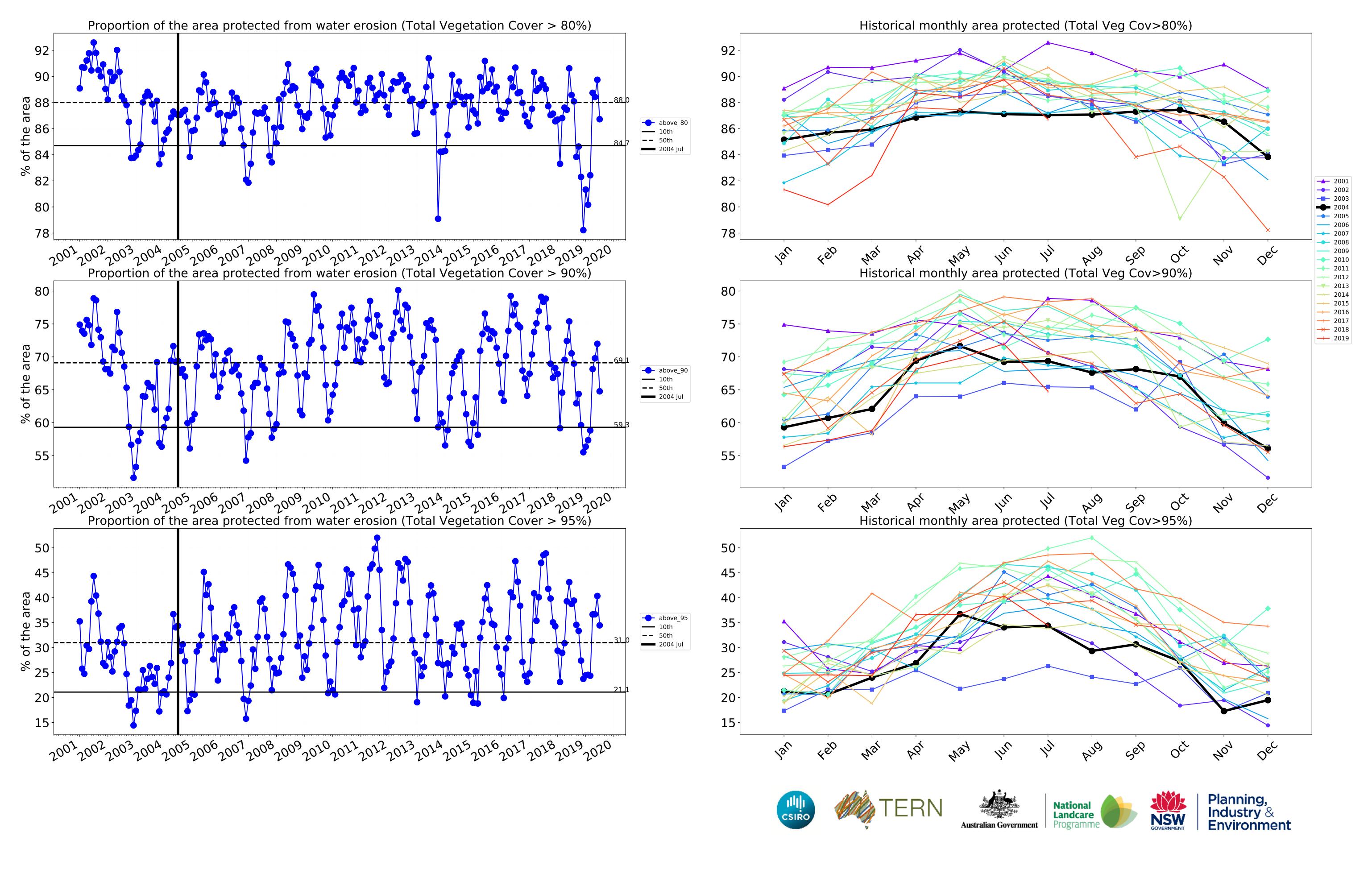


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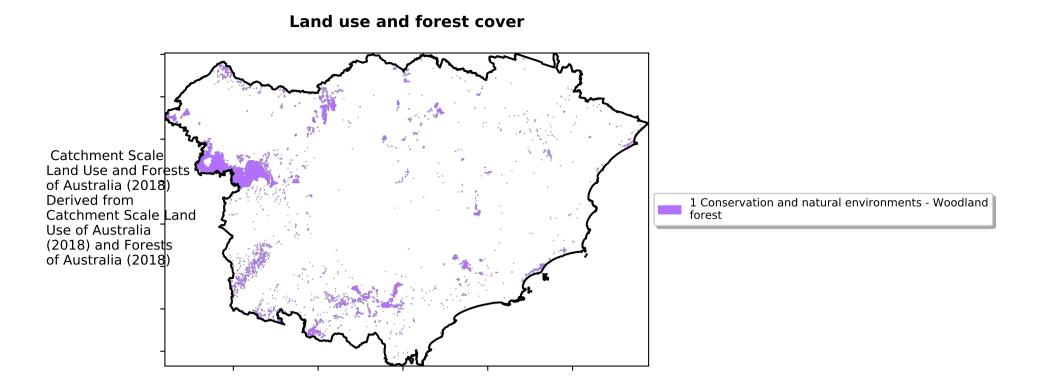


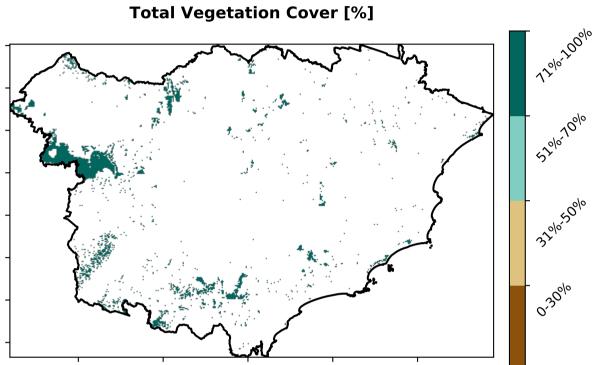
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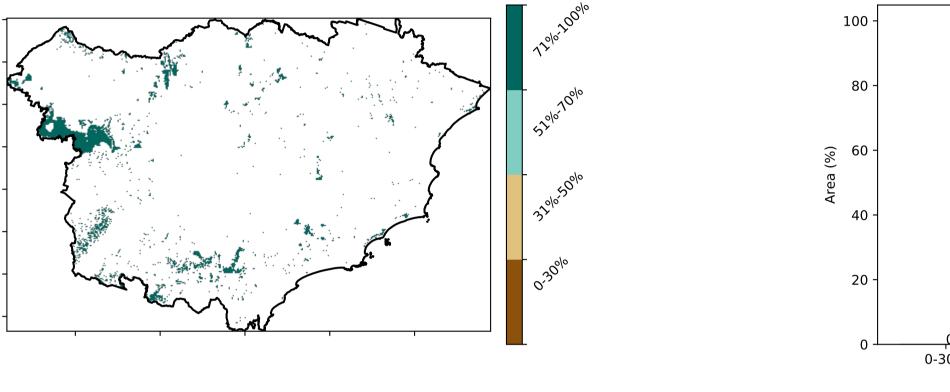


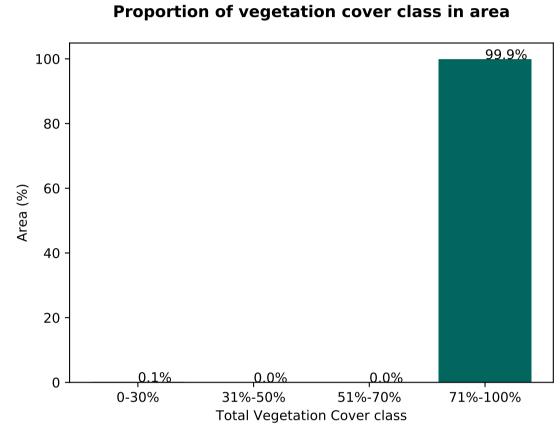


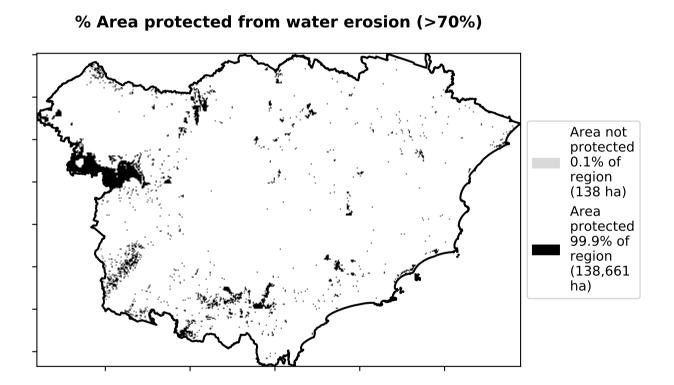
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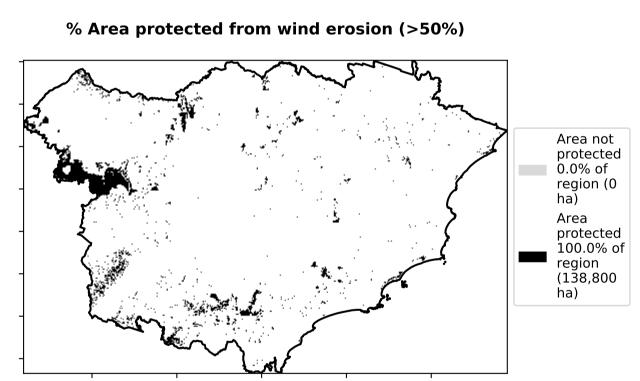


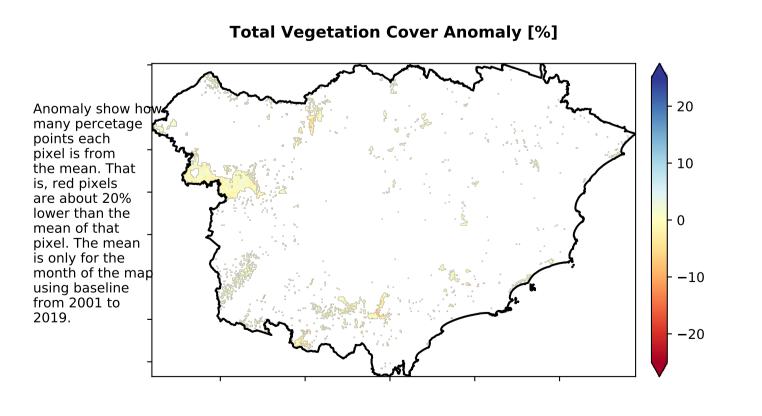


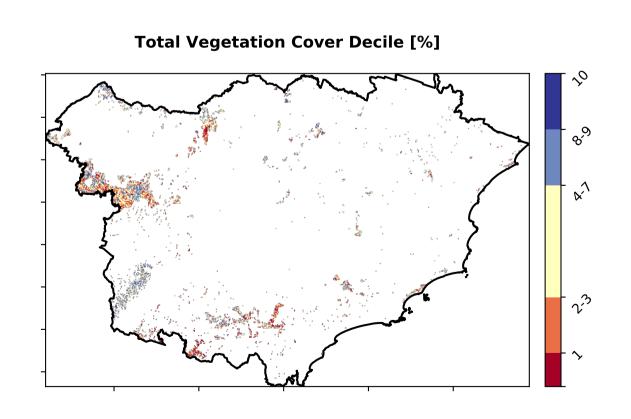
















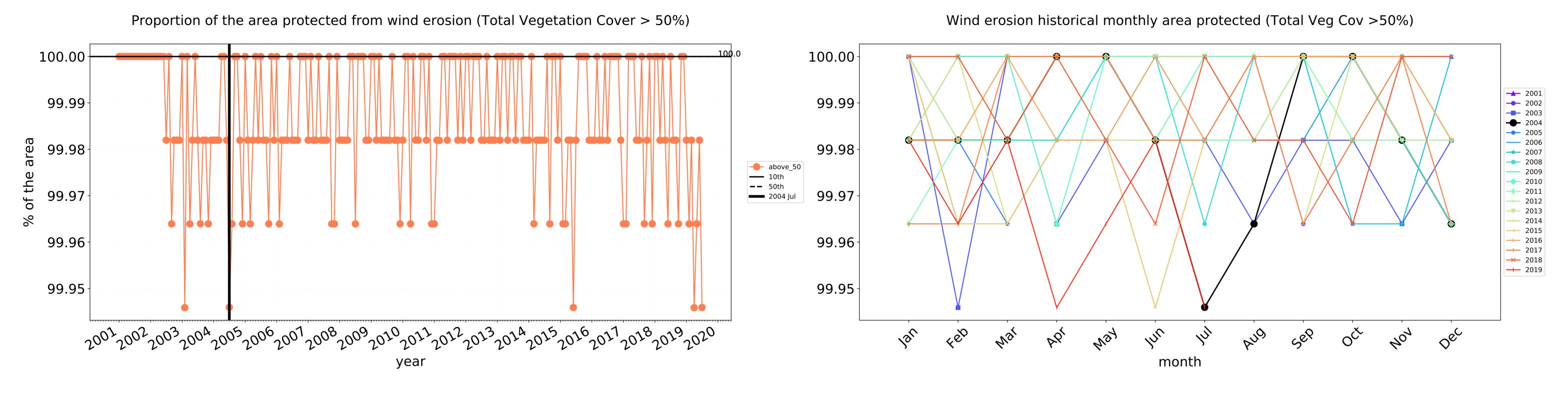


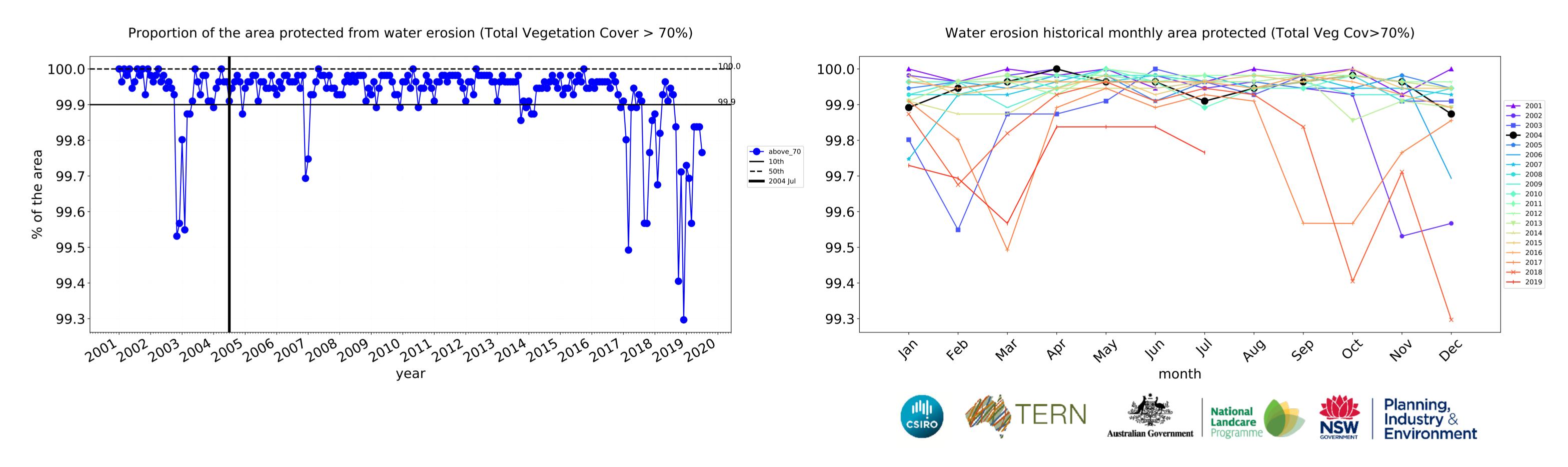


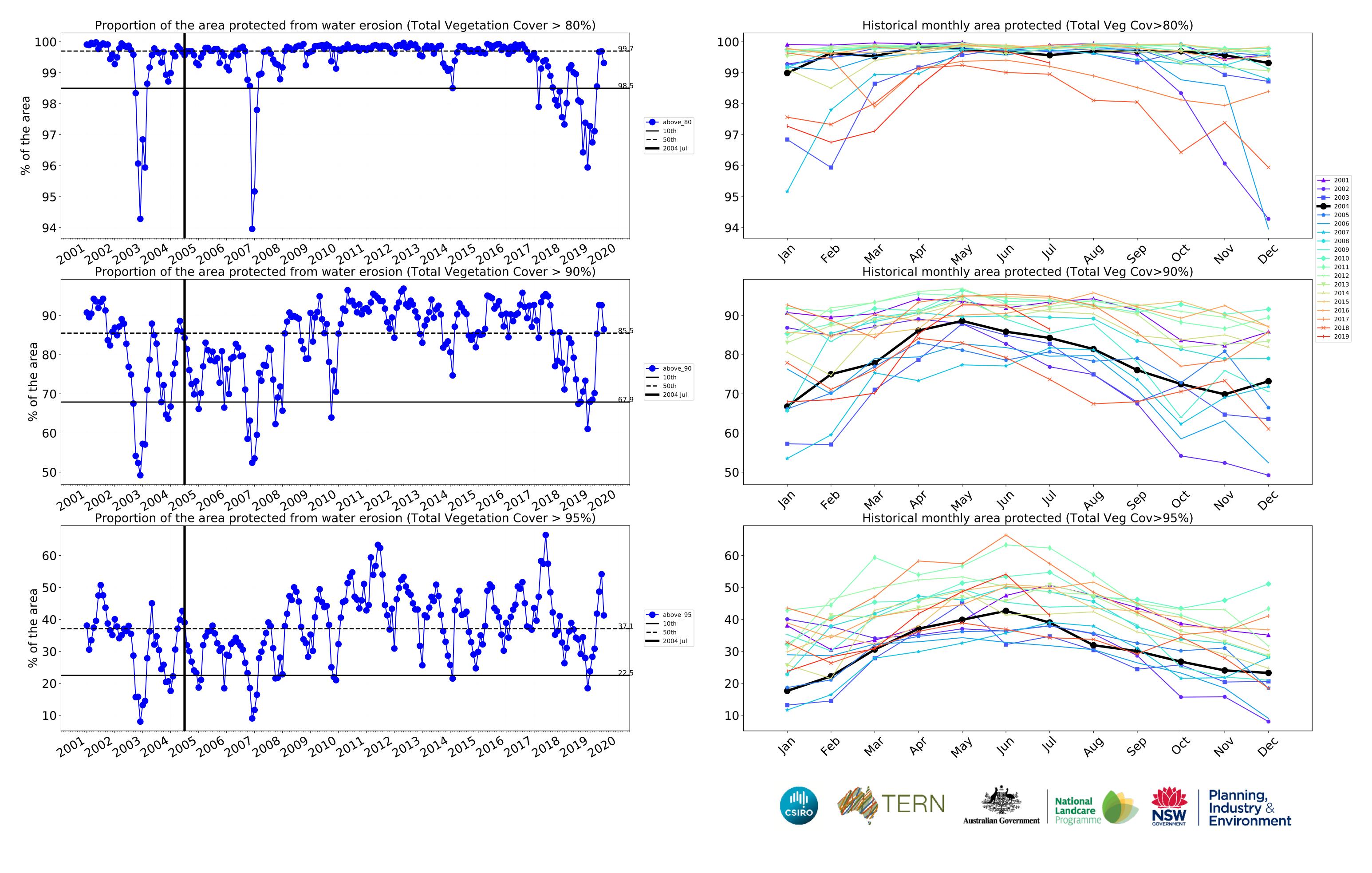




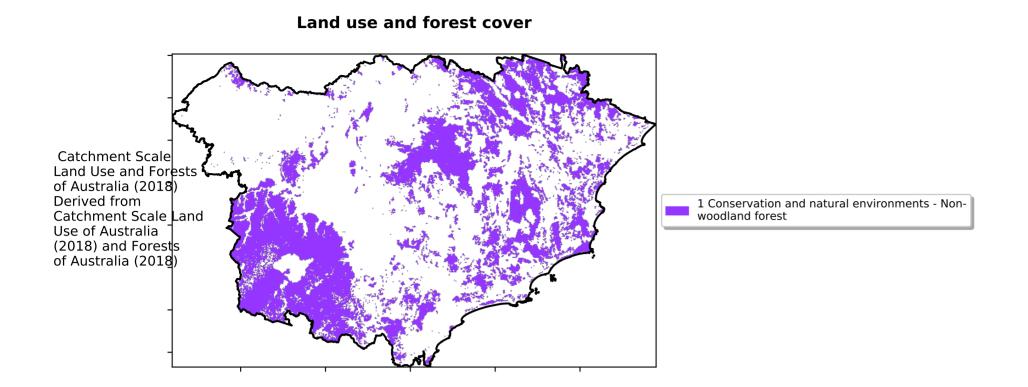
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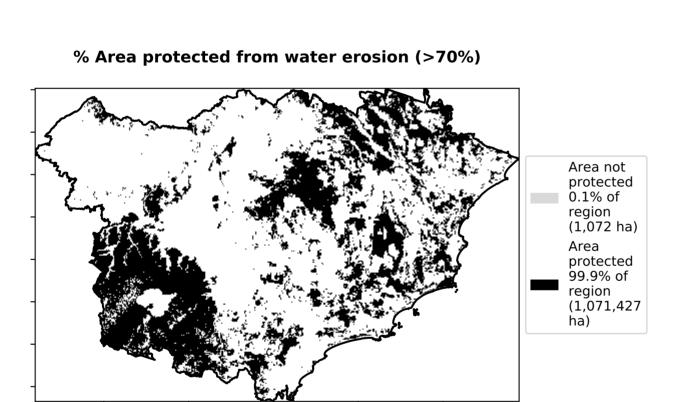


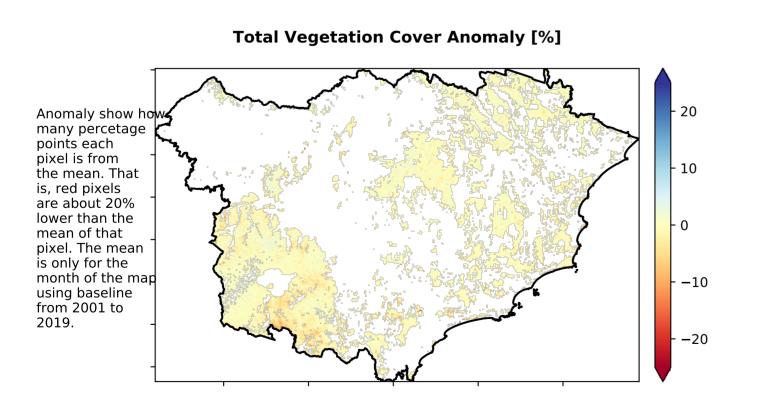


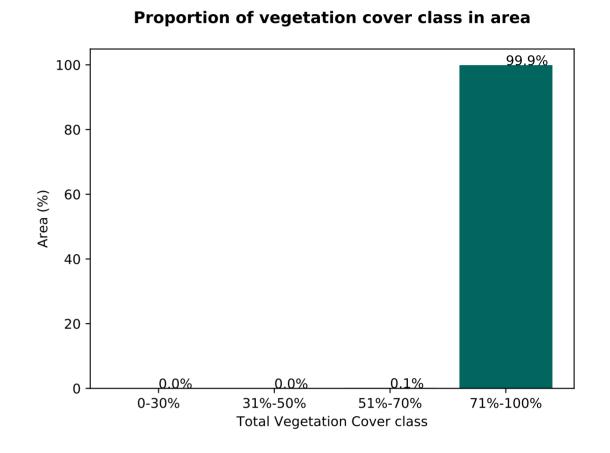
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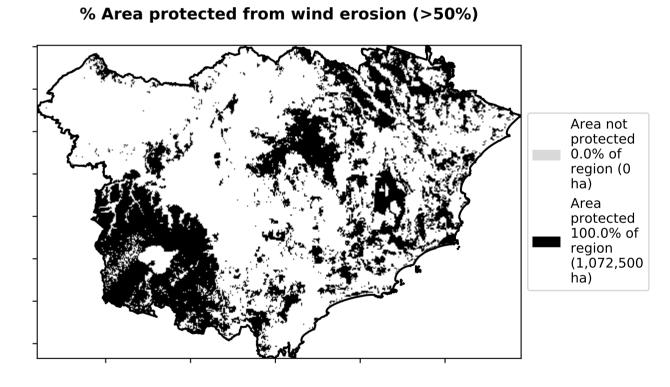


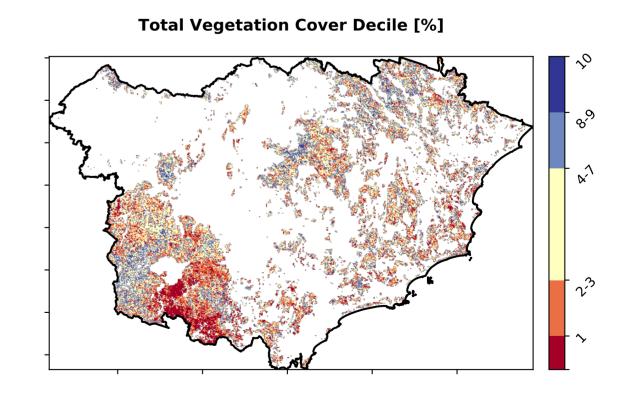
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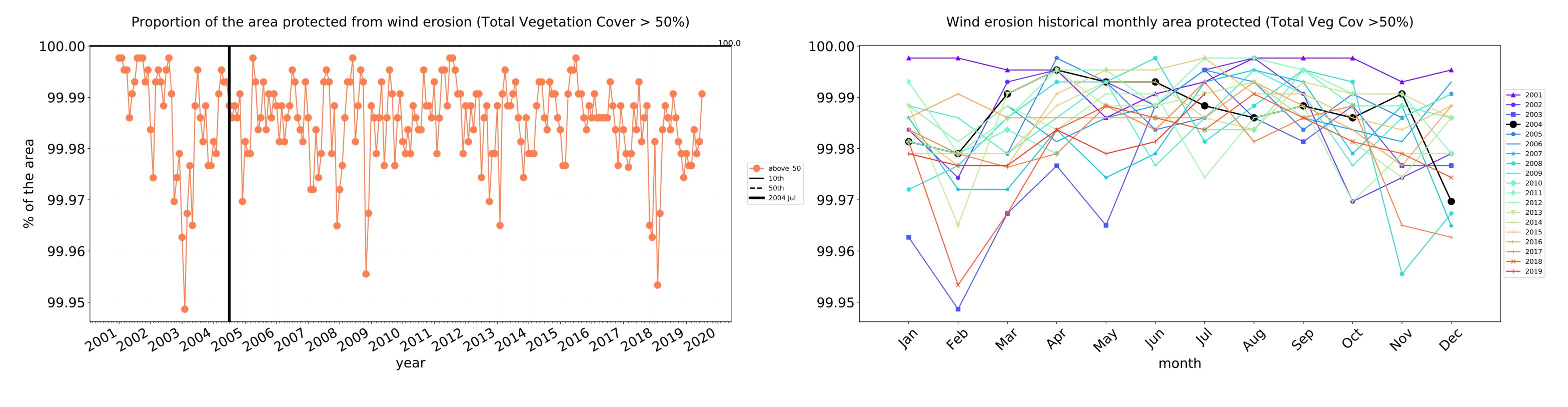


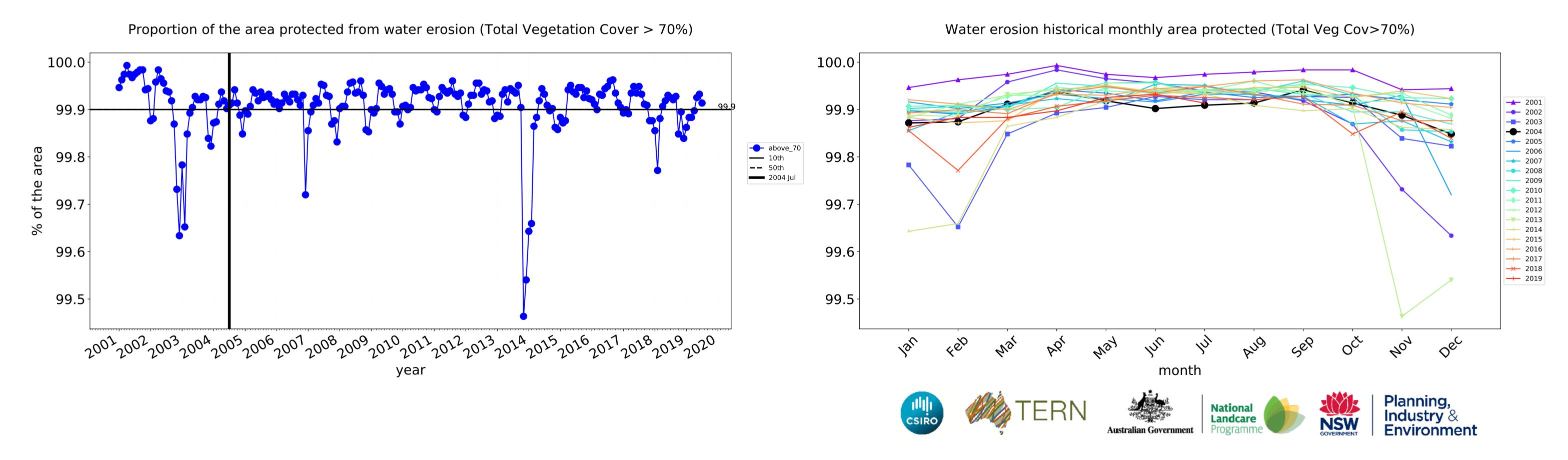


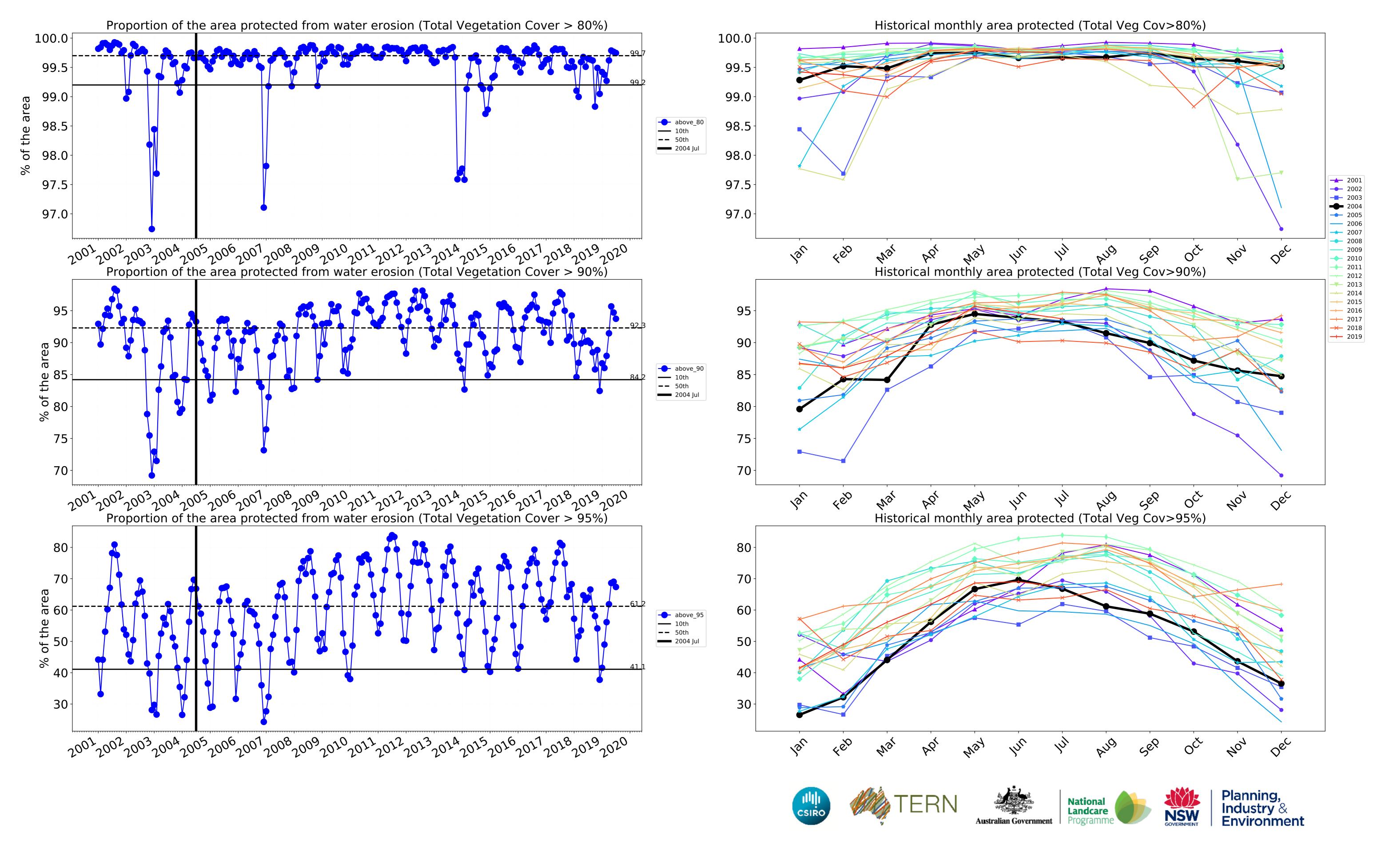




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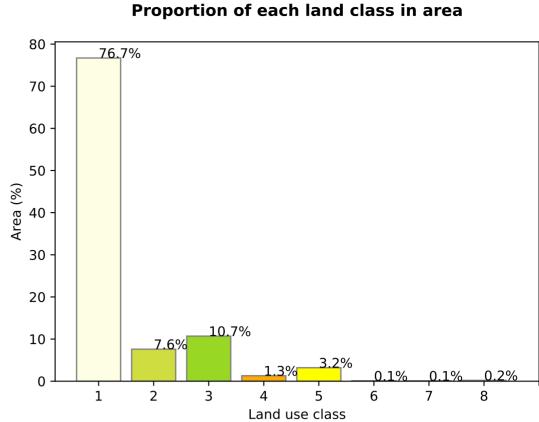


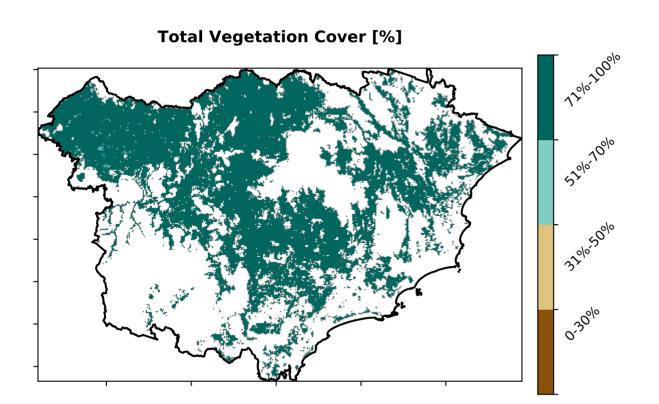


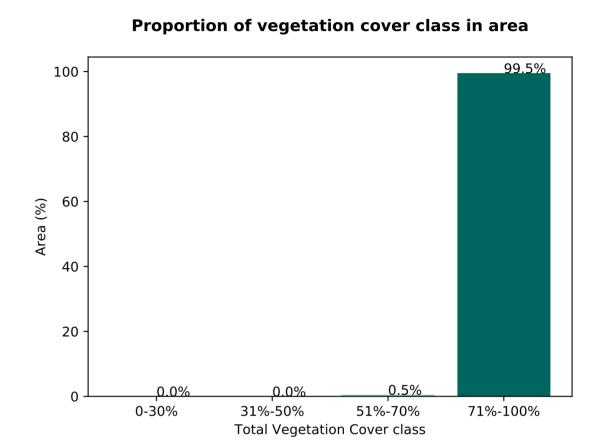


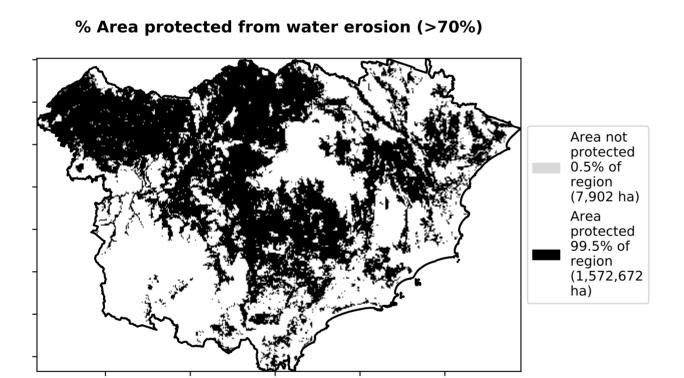
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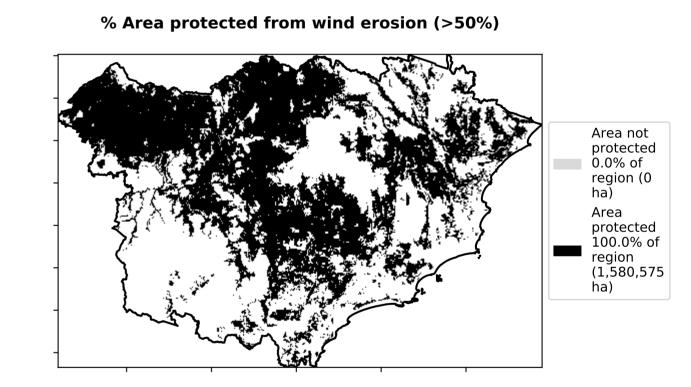


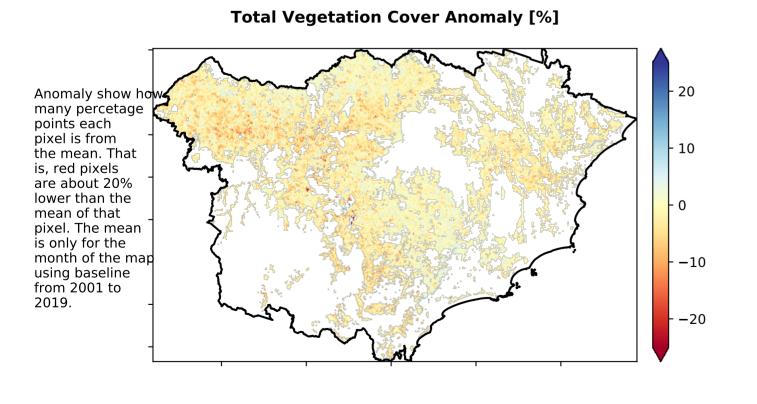


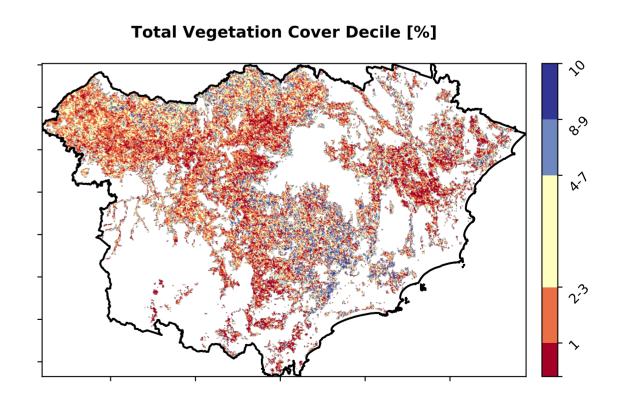
















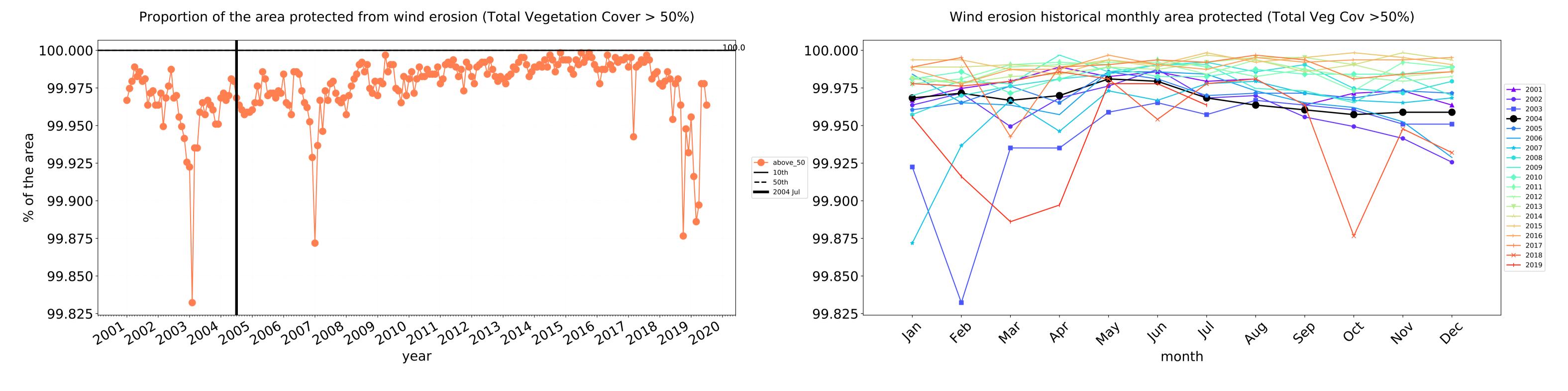


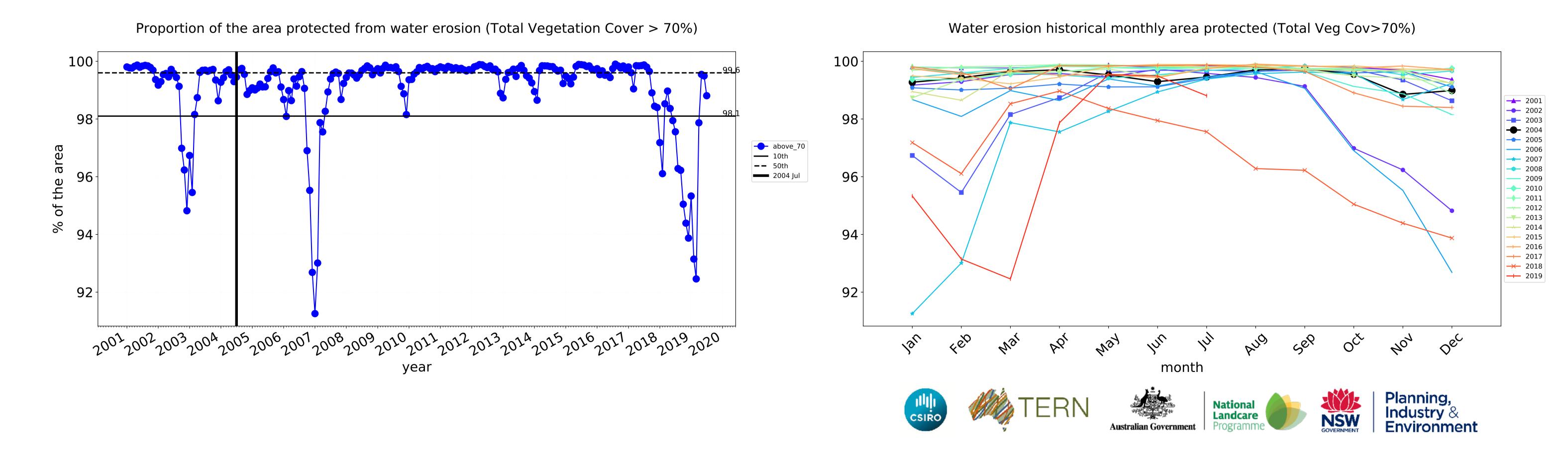


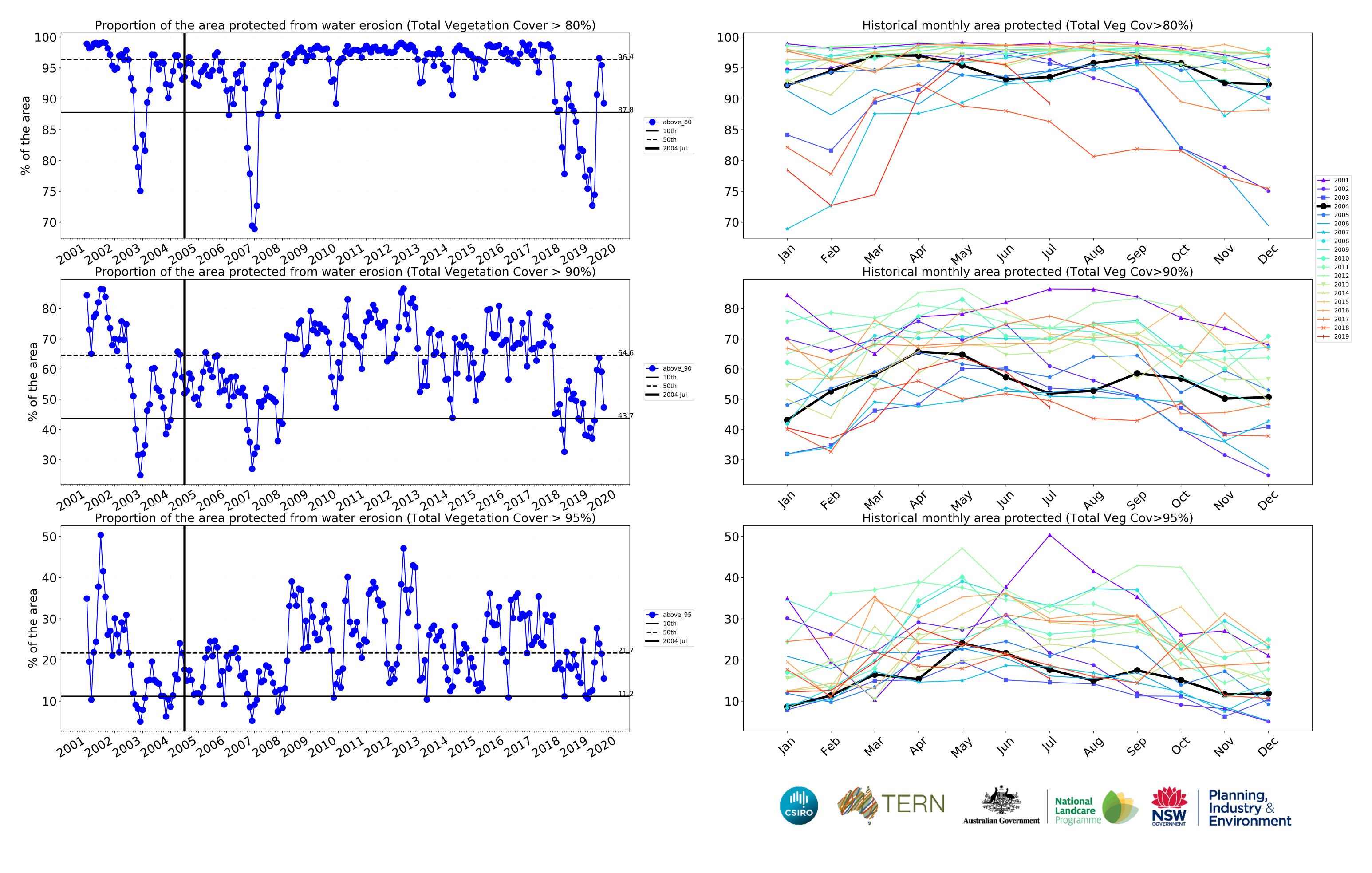




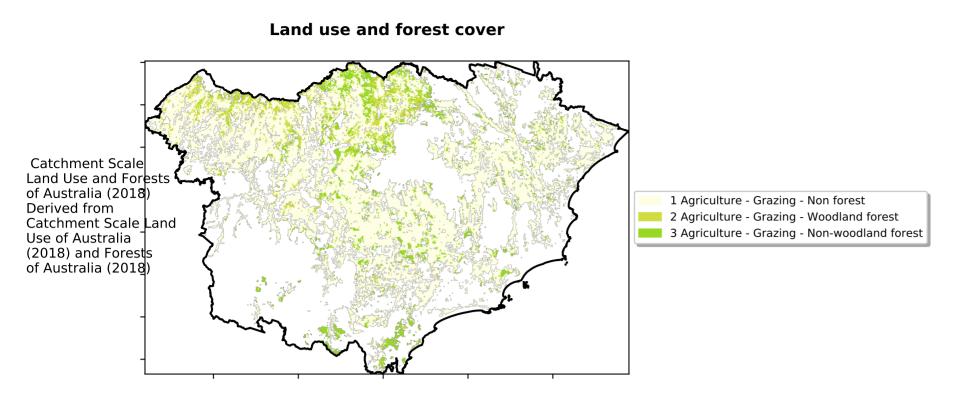
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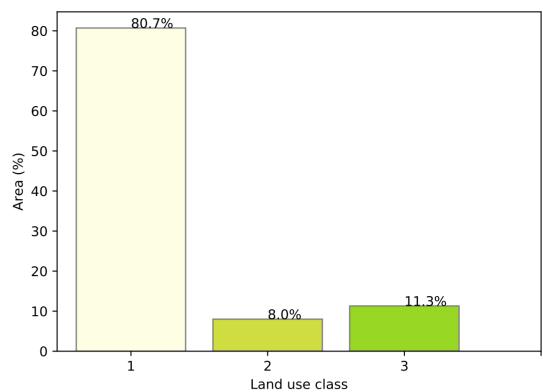




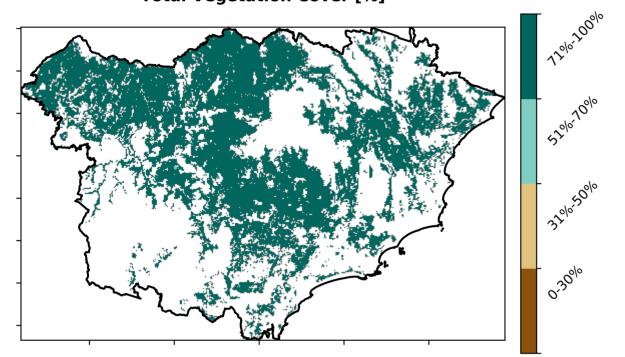
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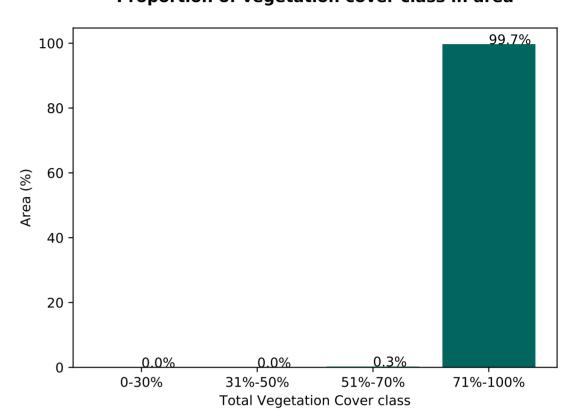
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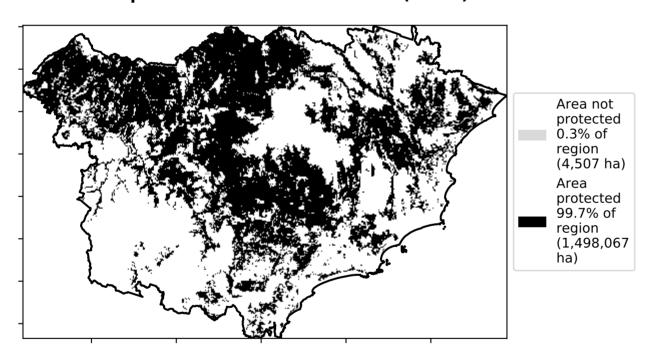
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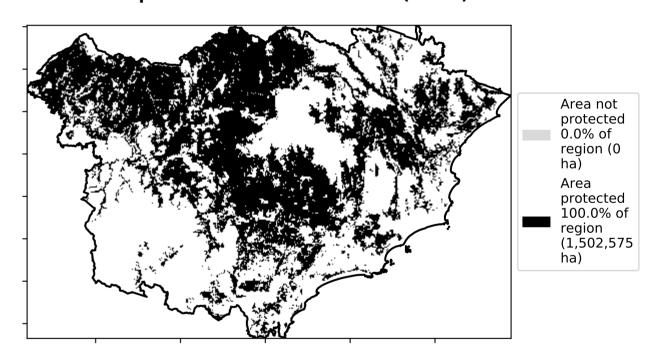
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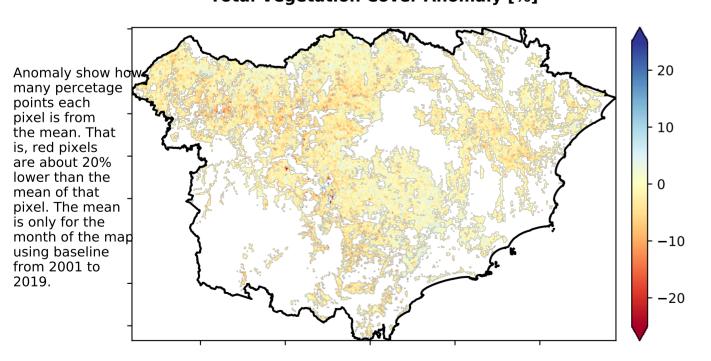
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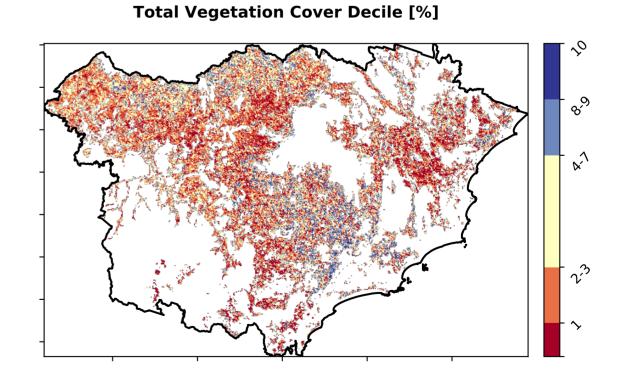


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]









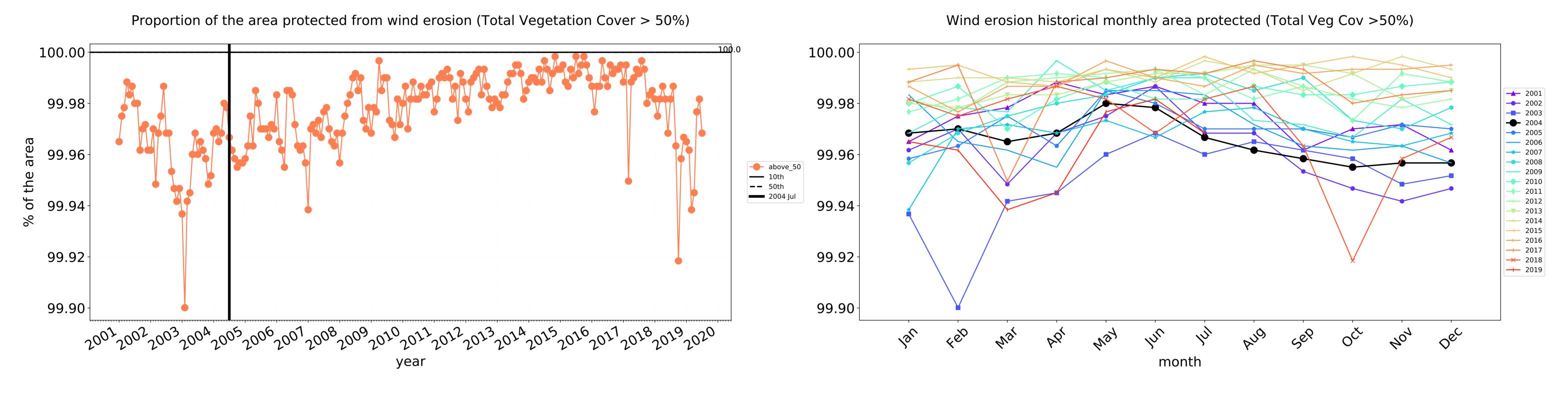


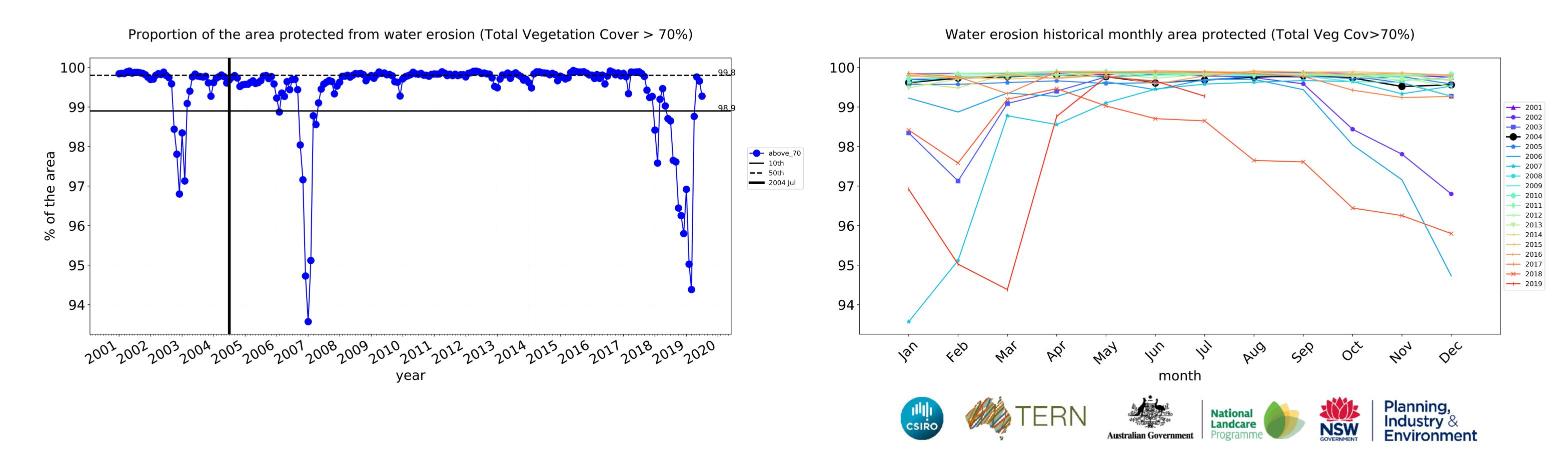


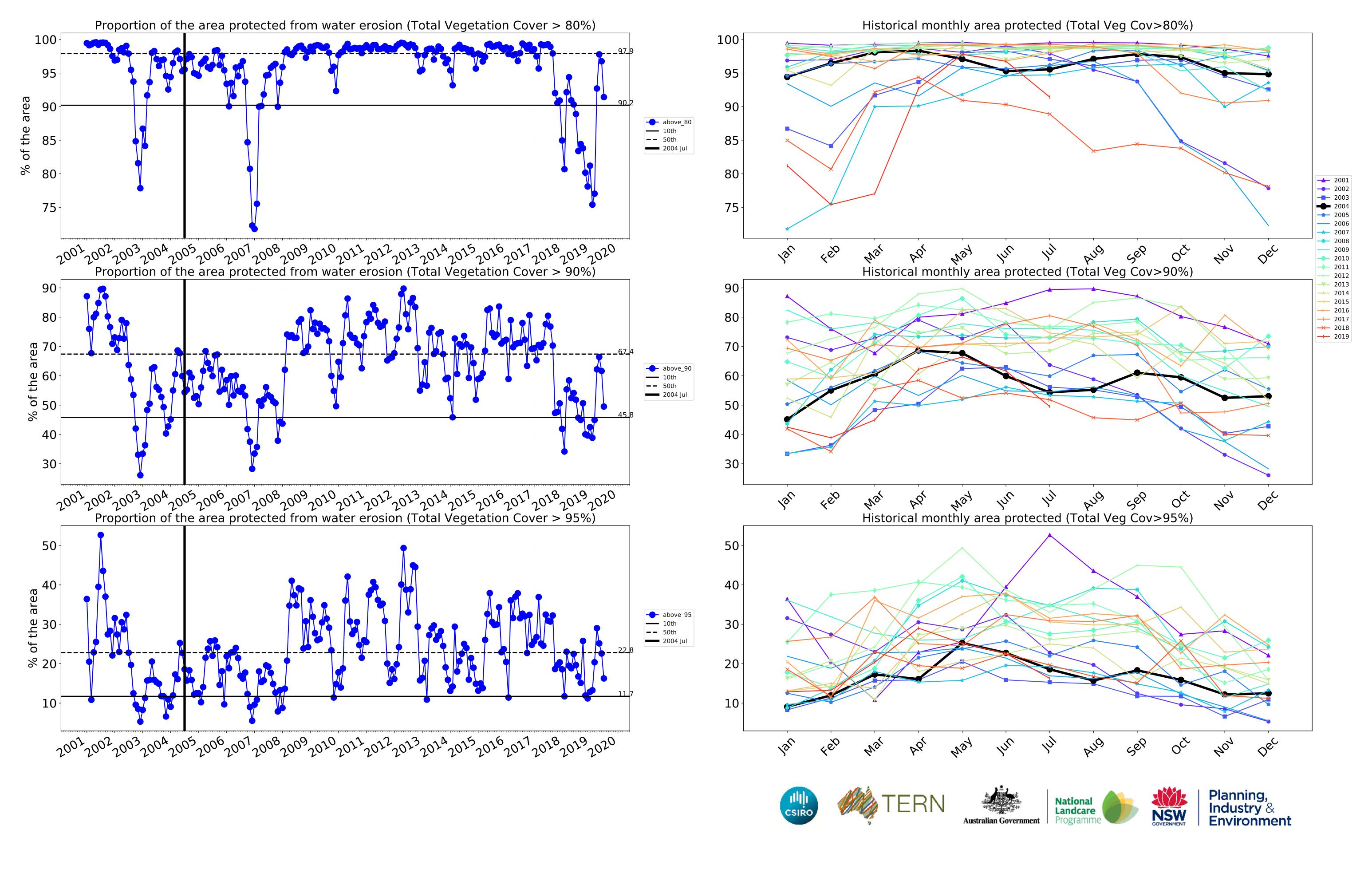




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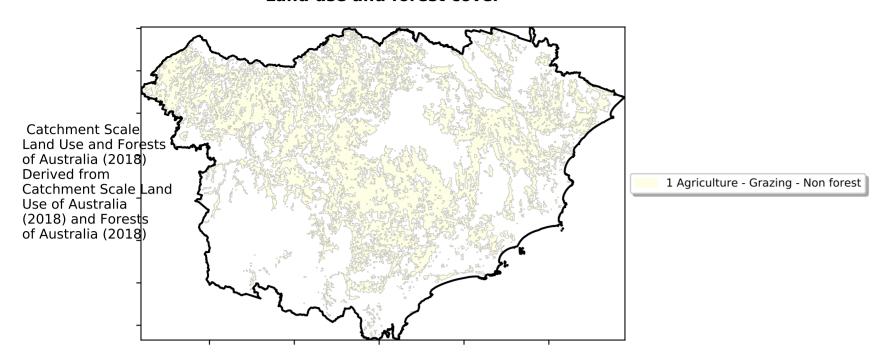




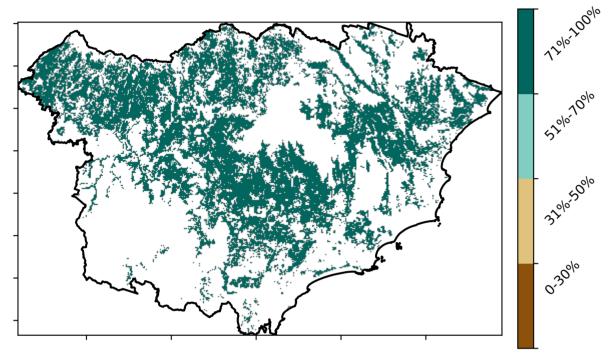


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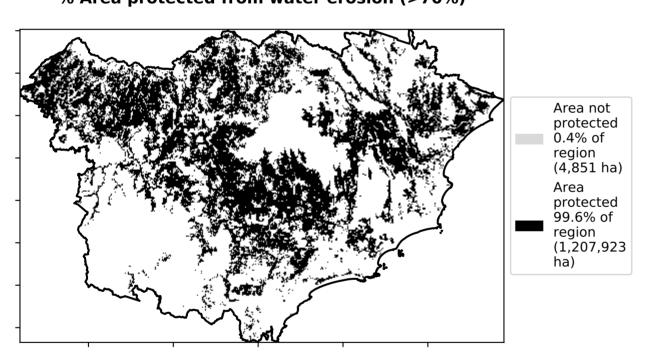
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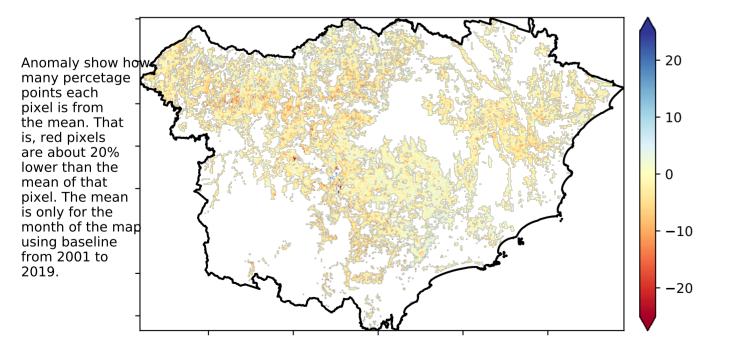
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### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

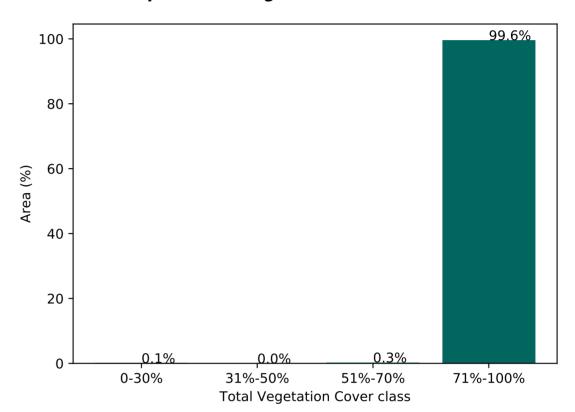


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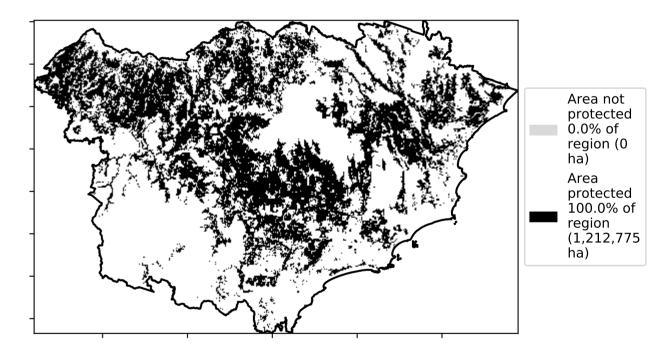


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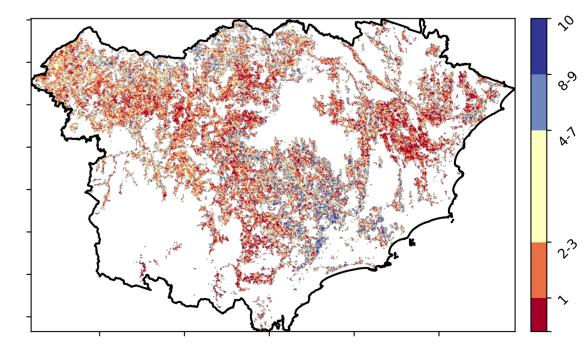
### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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



### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







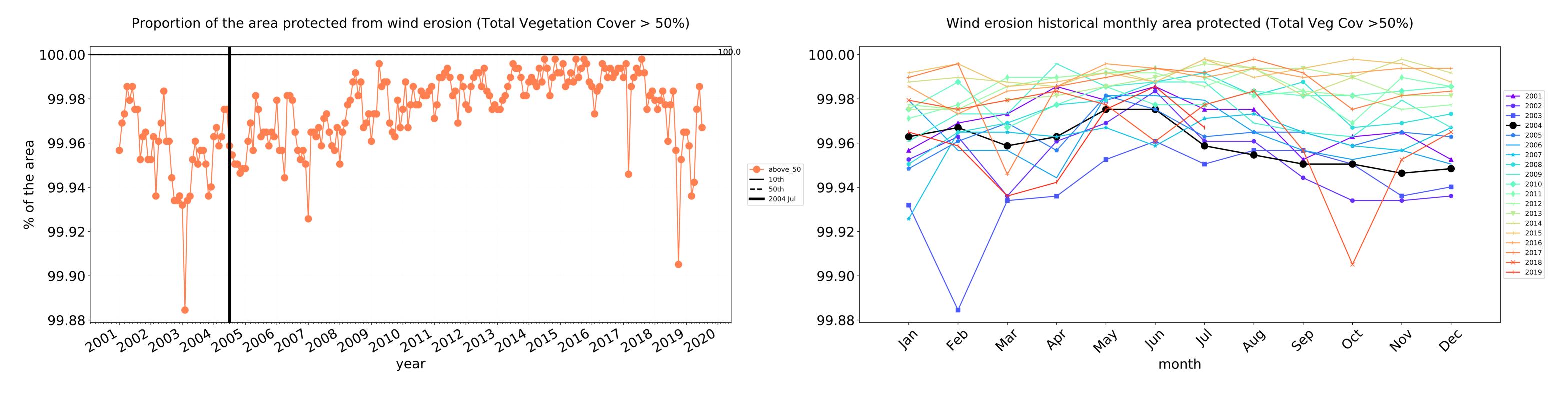


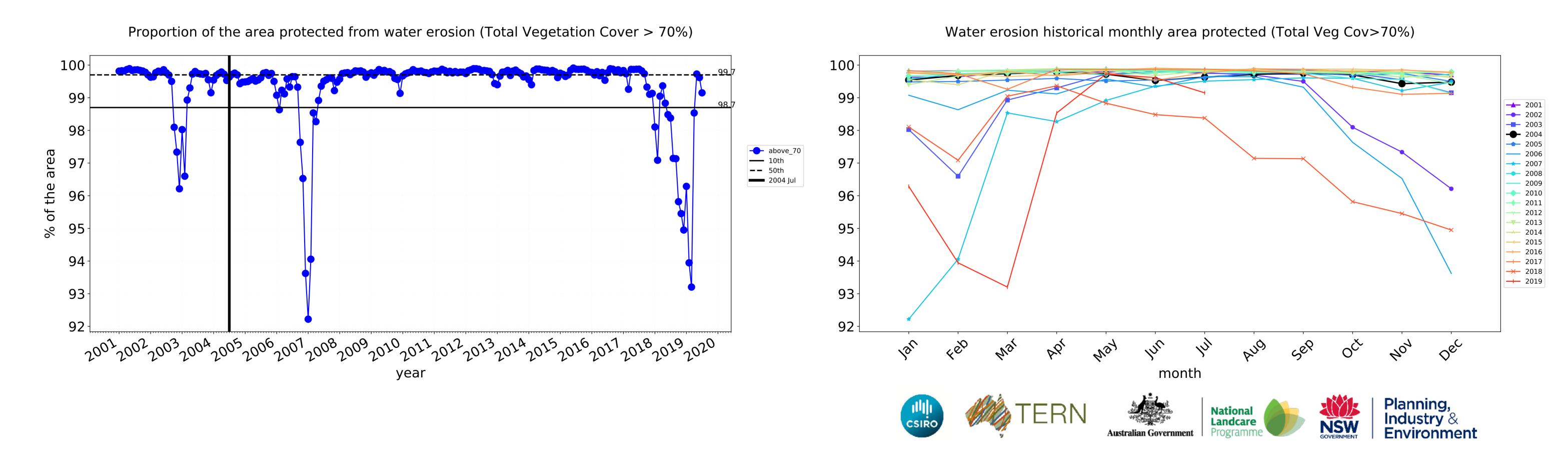


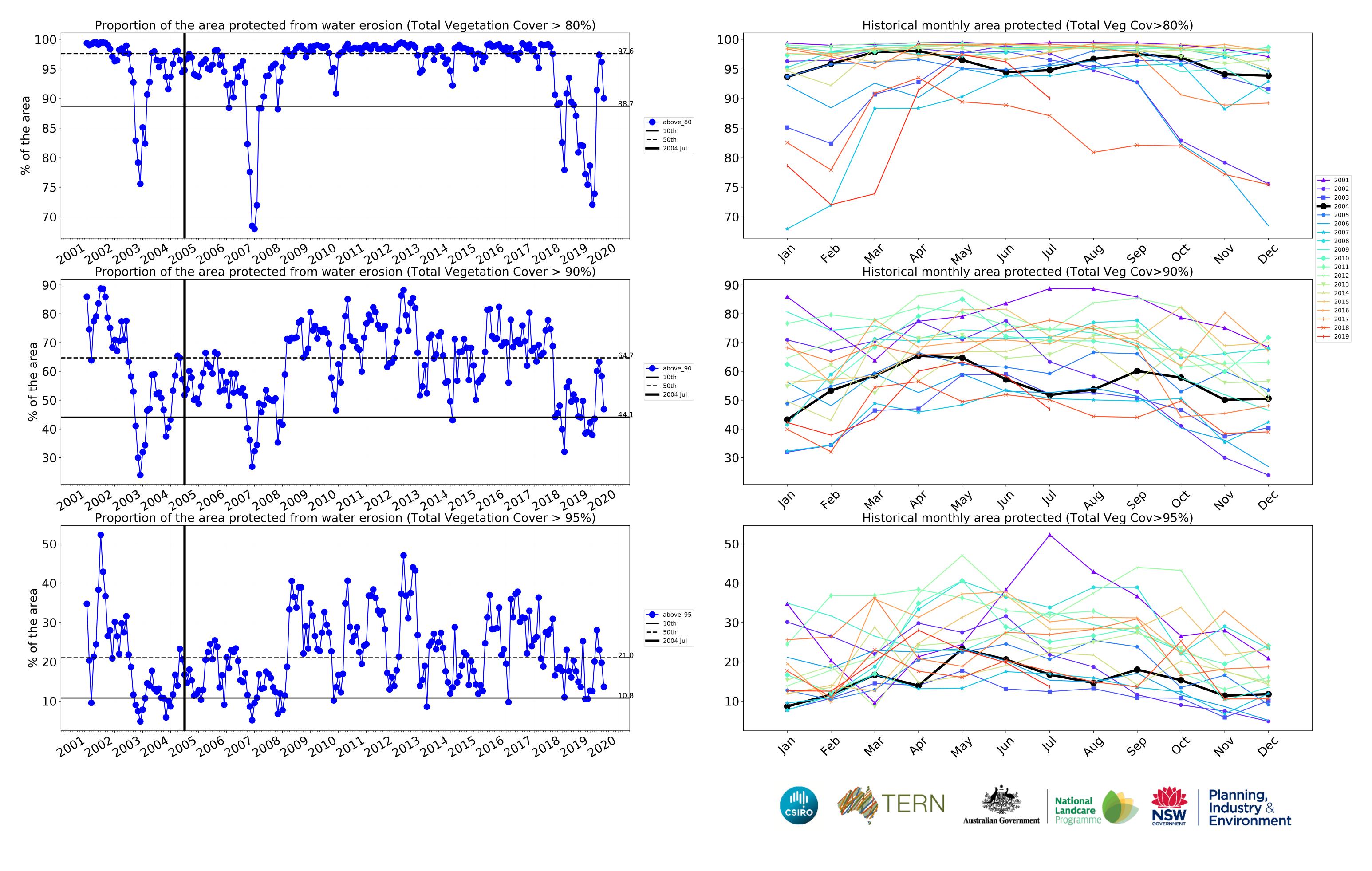




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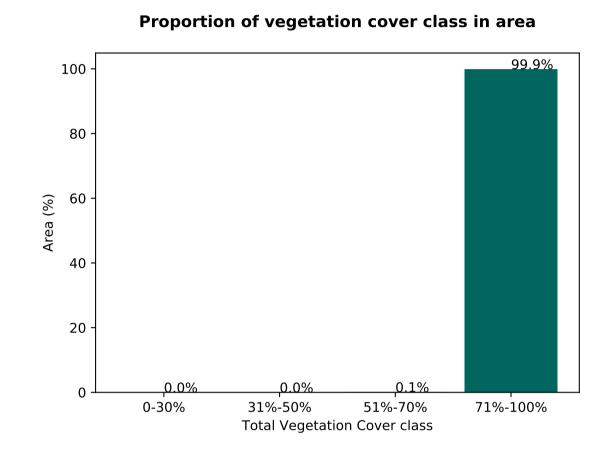


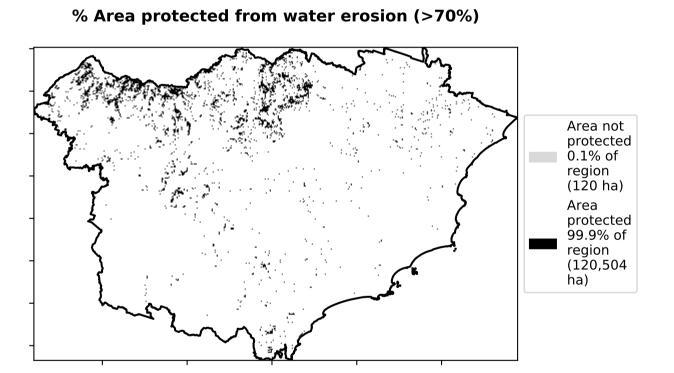


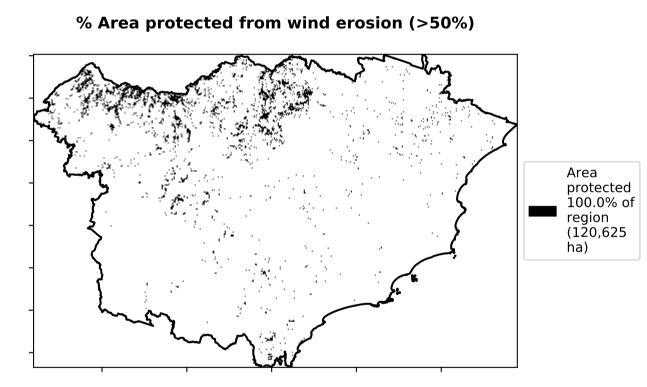
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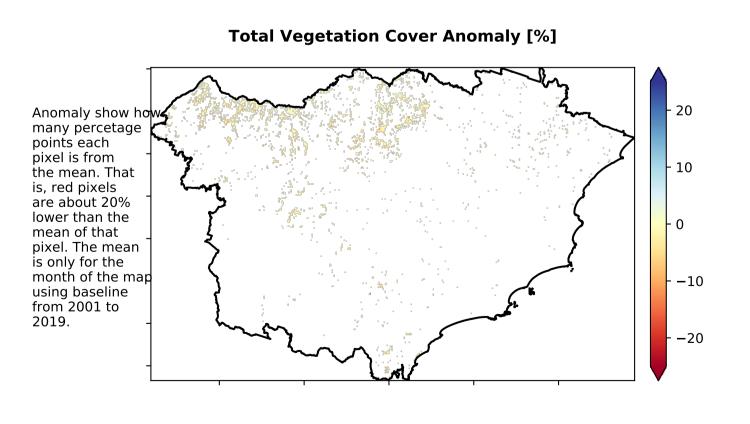
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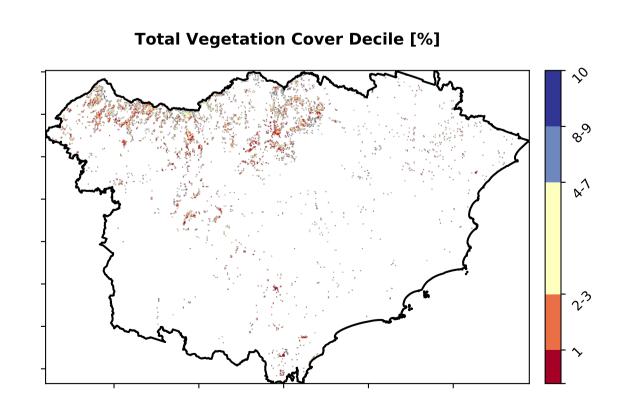
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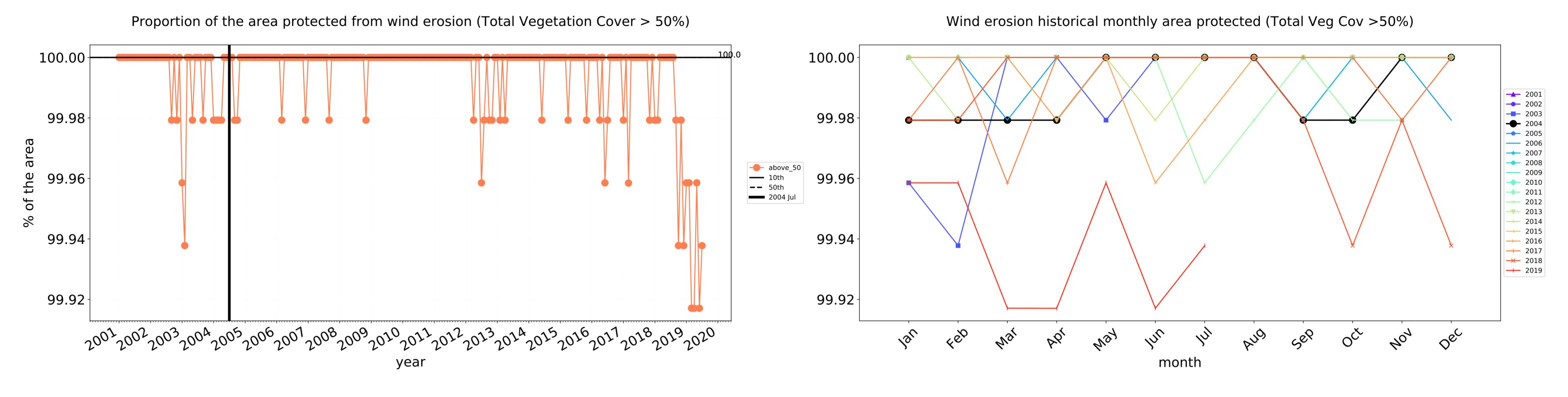


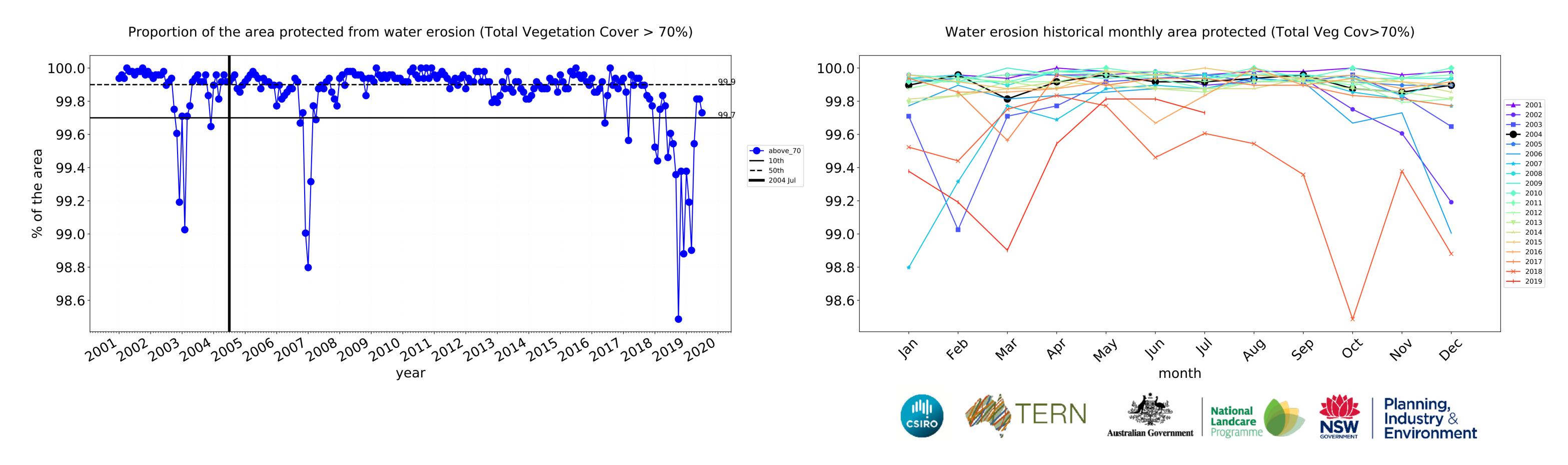


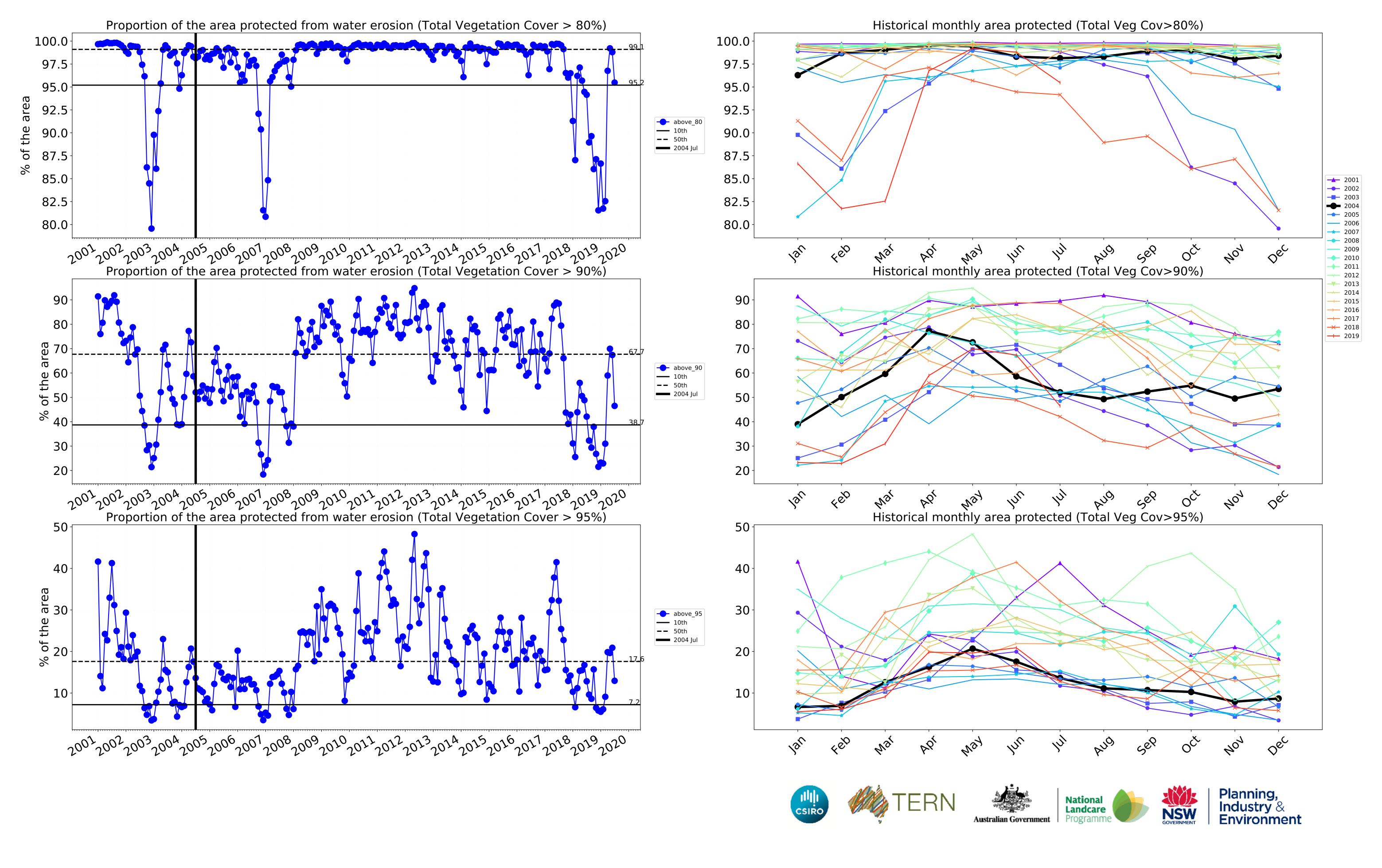




### **Grazing Woodland forest timeseries**





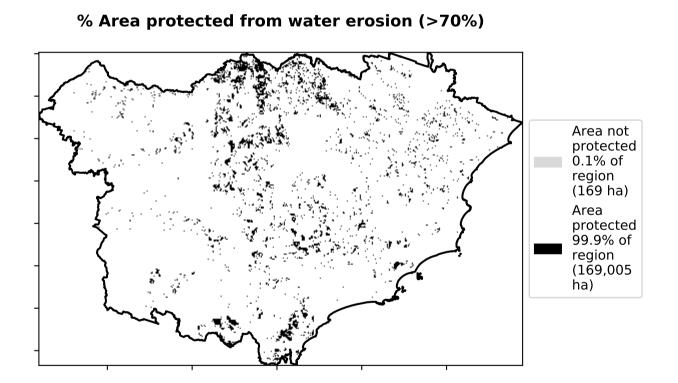


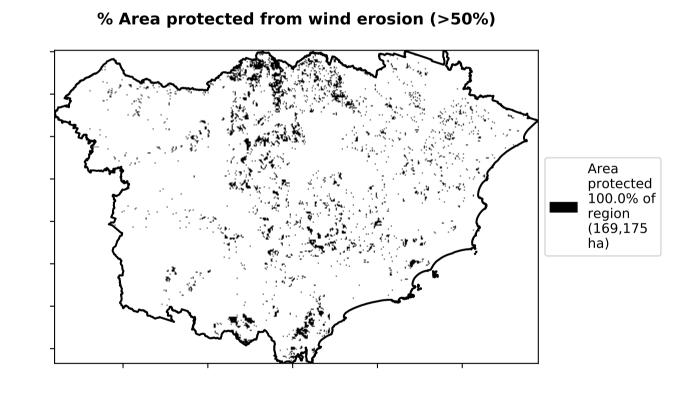
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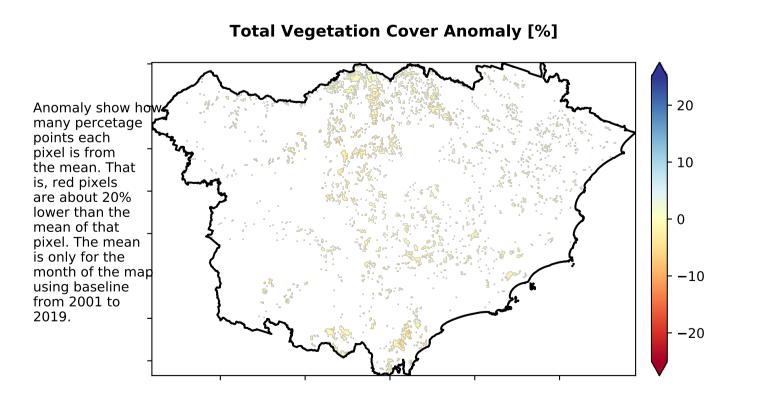
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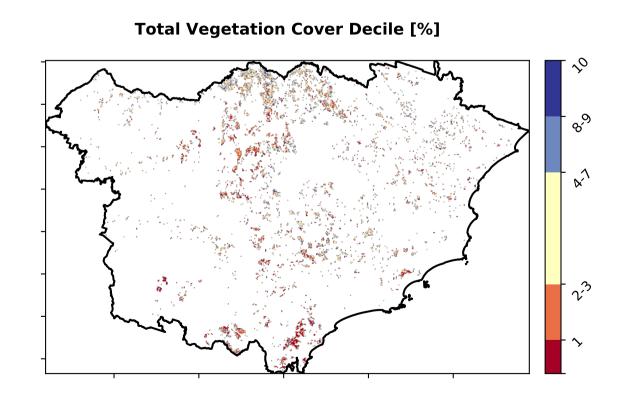
# Total Vegetation Cover [%]

# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 100 - 99.9% 80 - 99.9% 40 - 20 - 0.0% 0.0% 0.1% 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% 71%-100% Total Vegetation Cover class











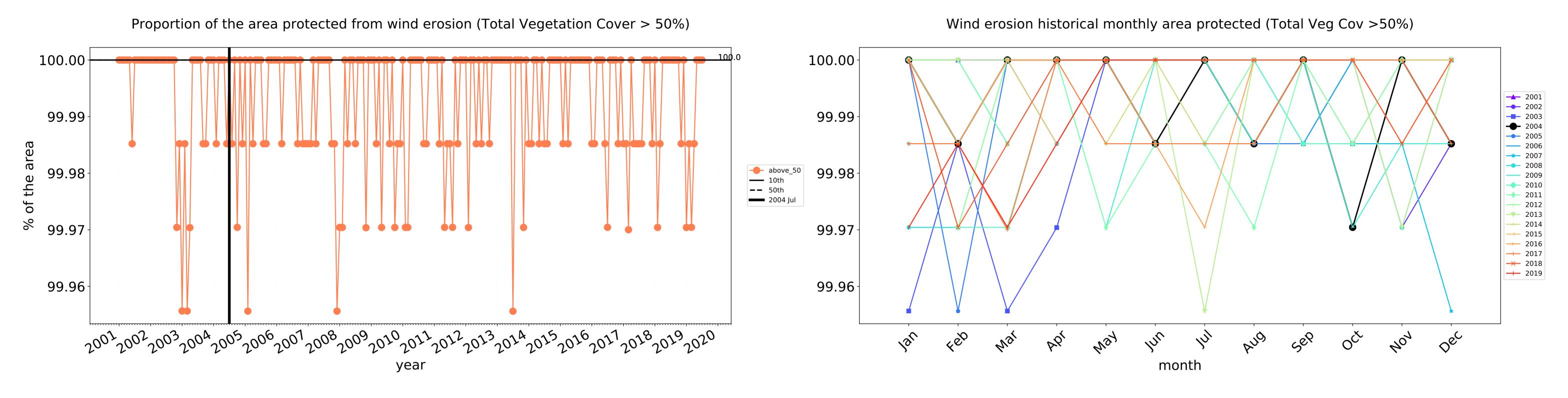


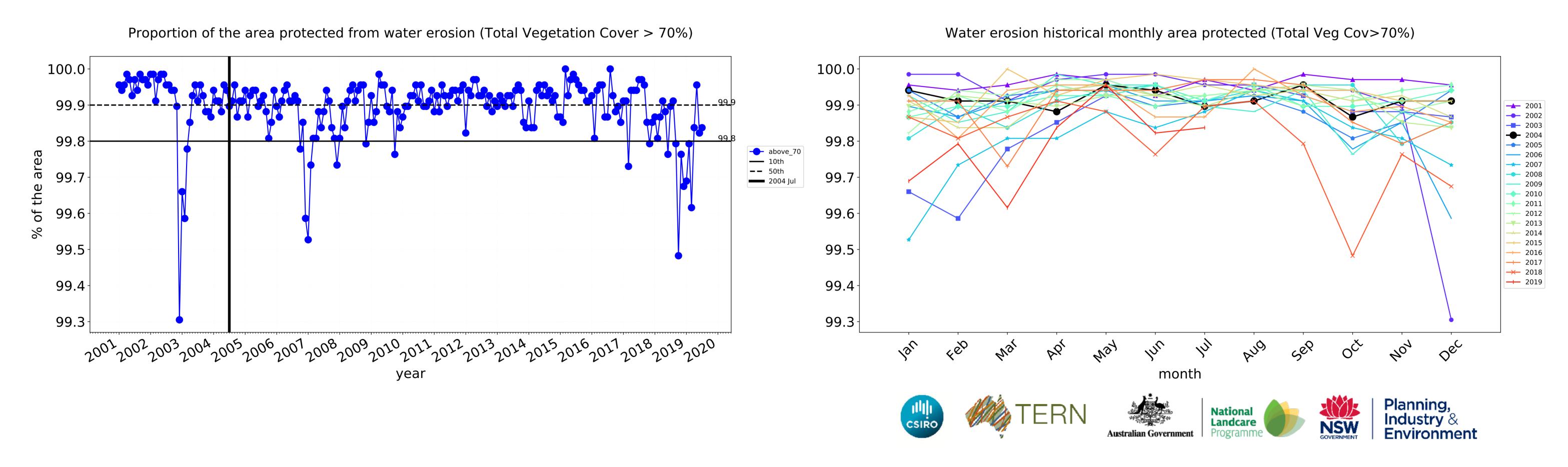


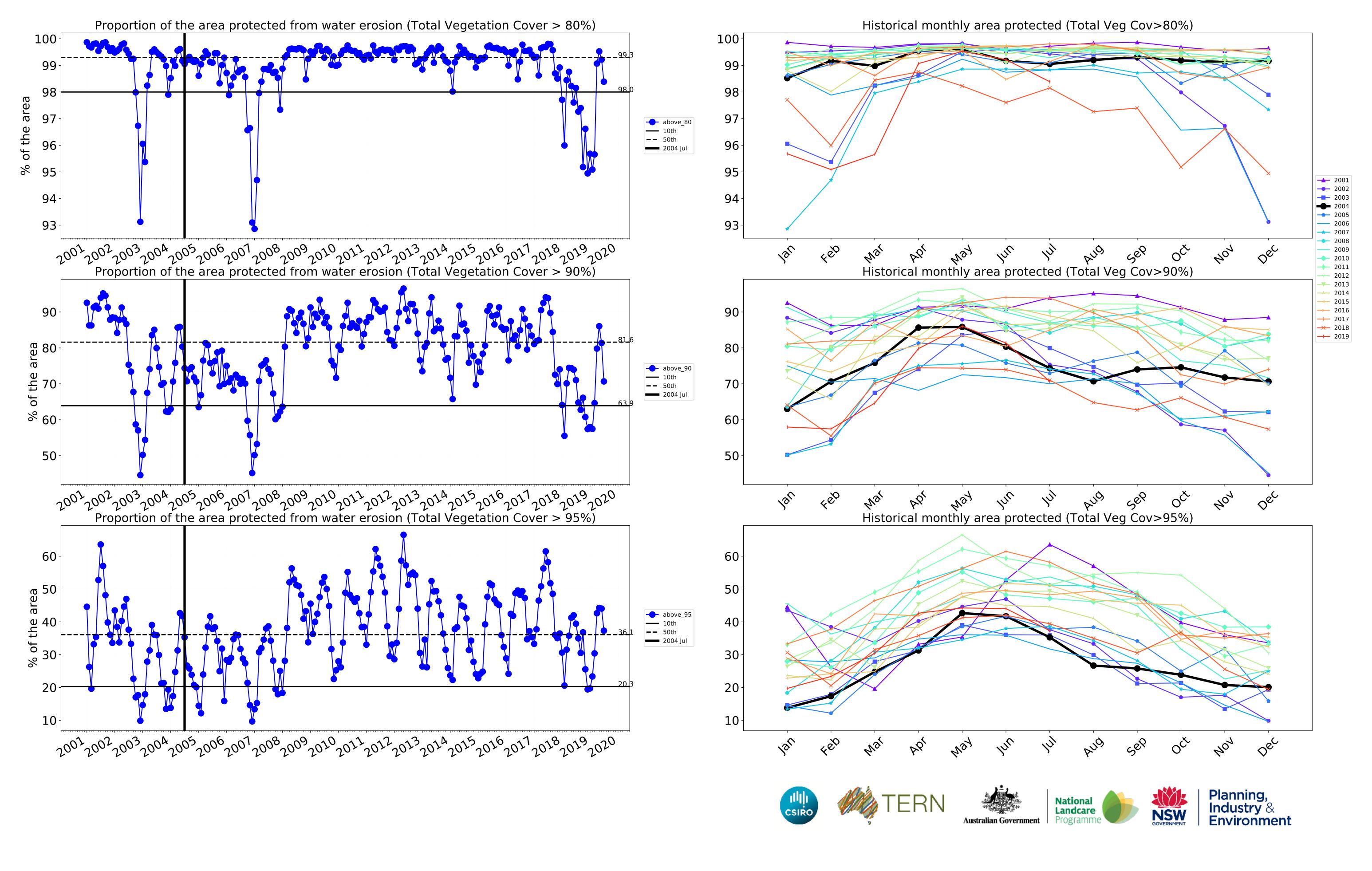






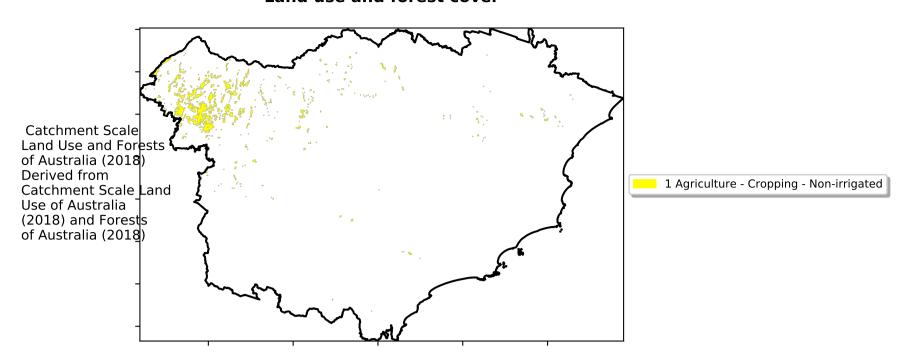




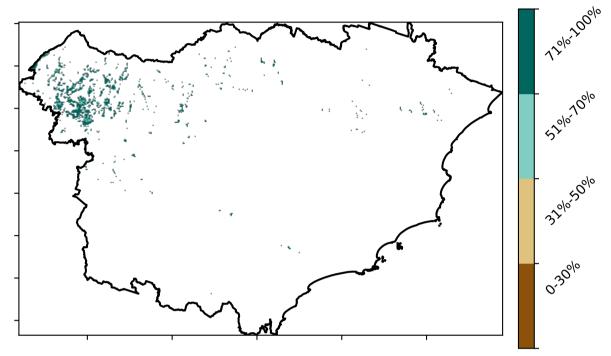


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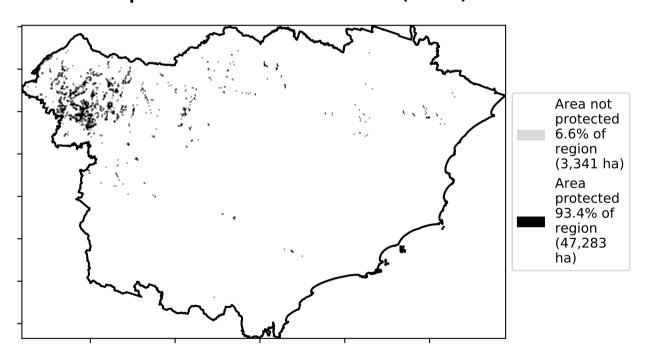
### Land use and forest cover



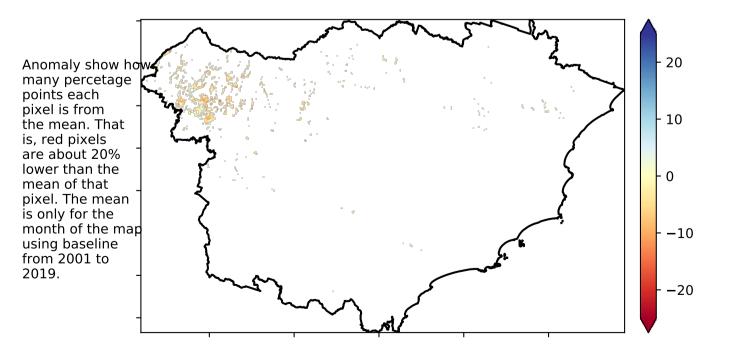
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



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

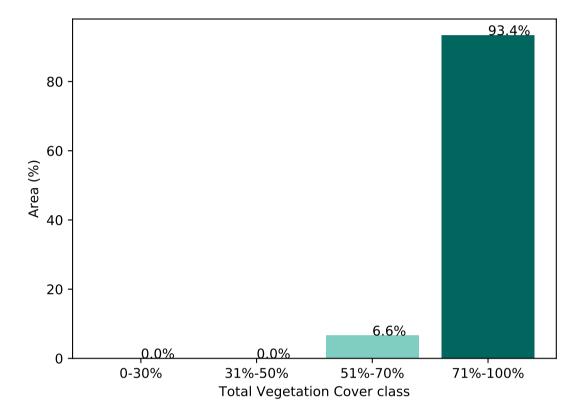


### Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

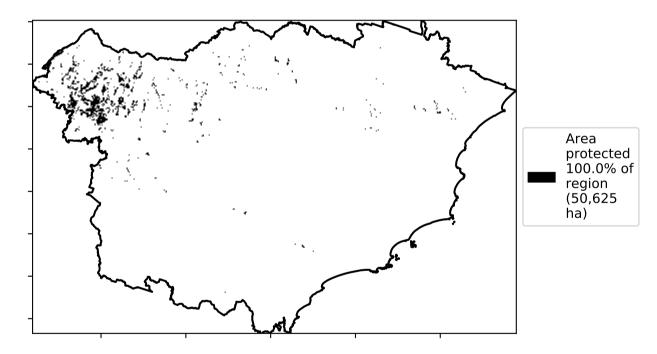


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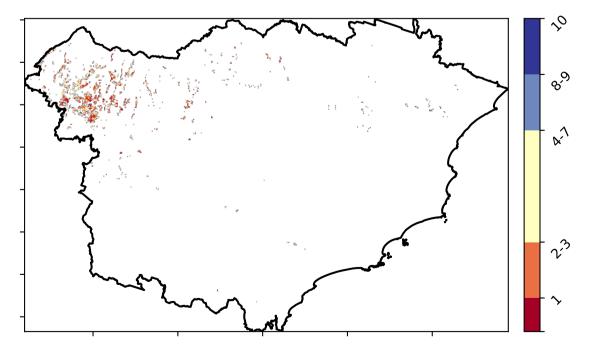
### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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



### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







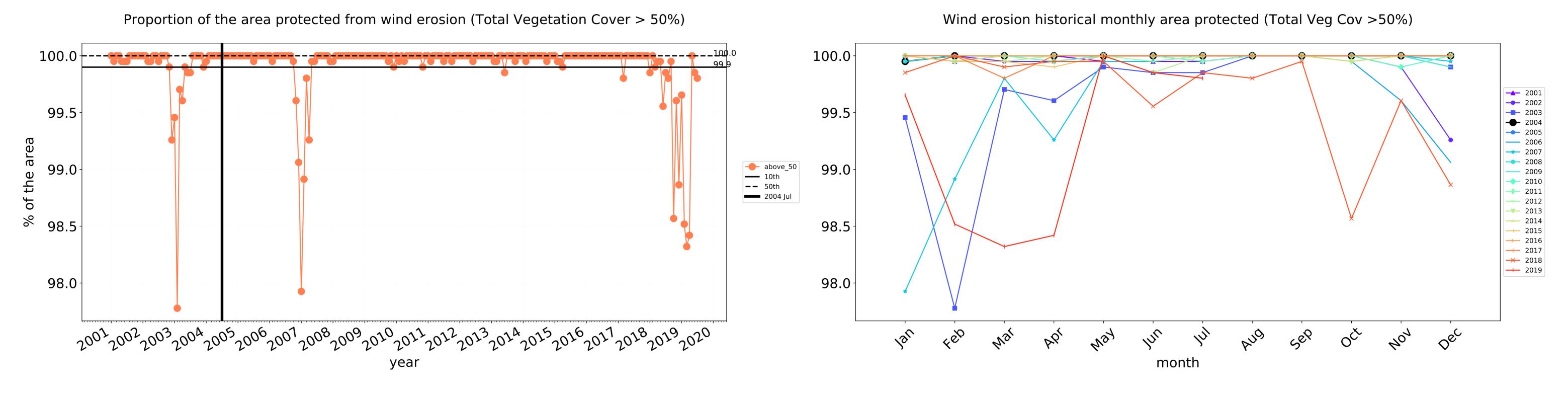


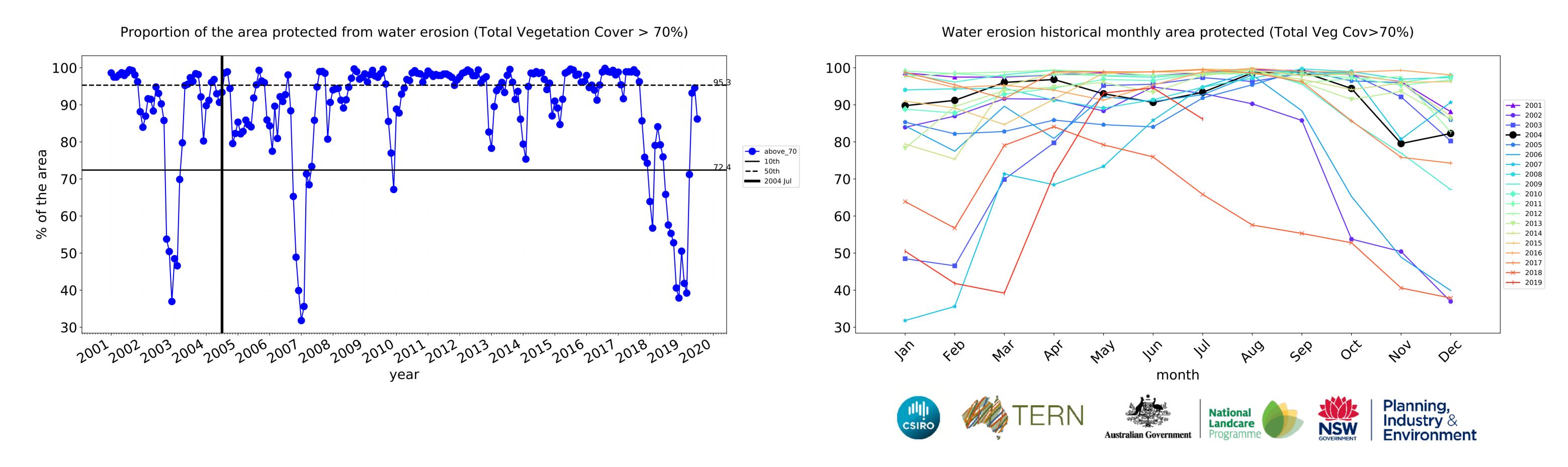


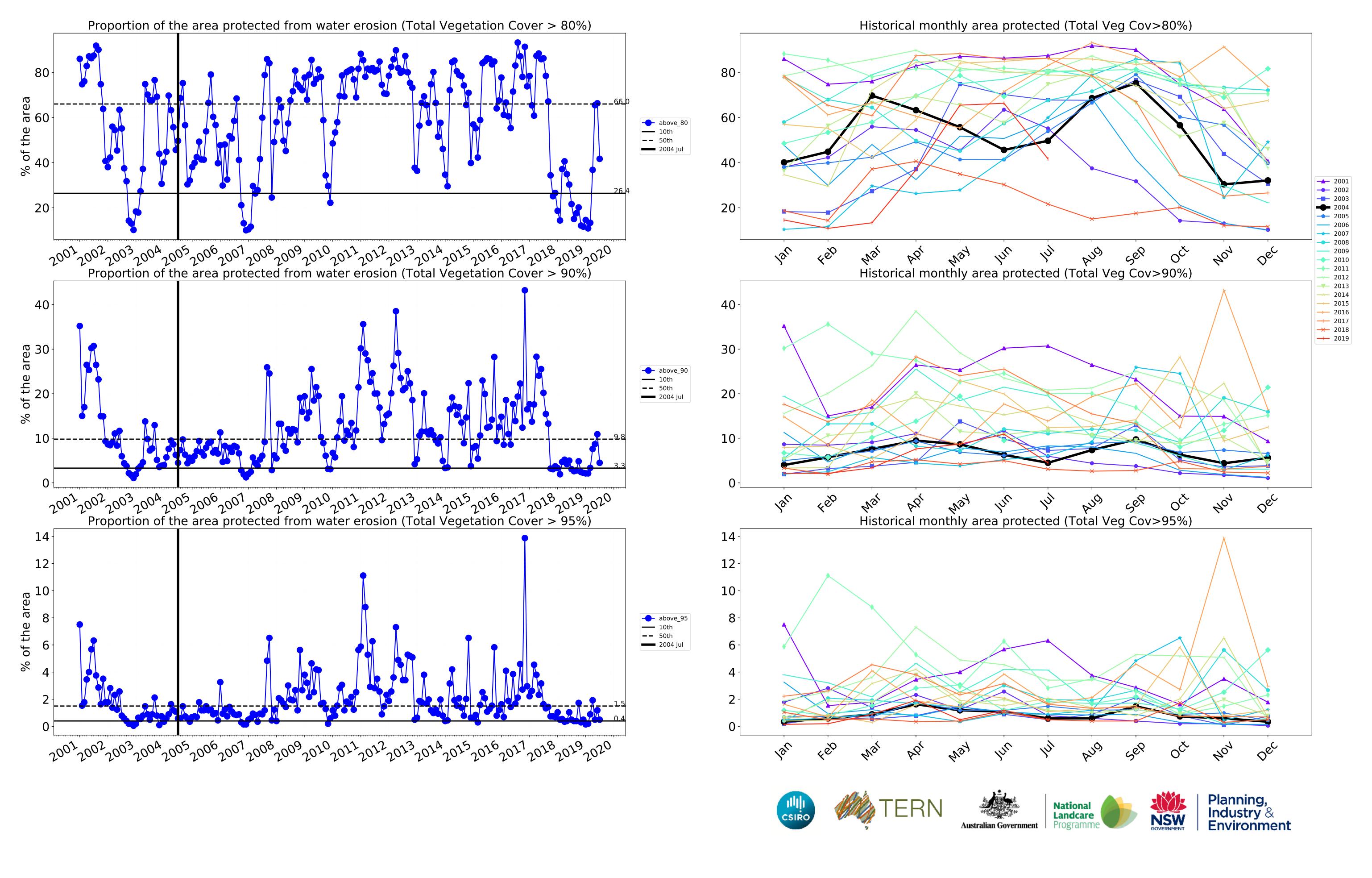




### **Cropping timeseries**





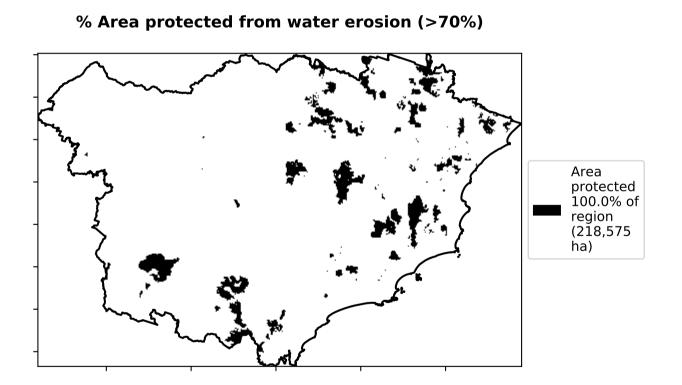


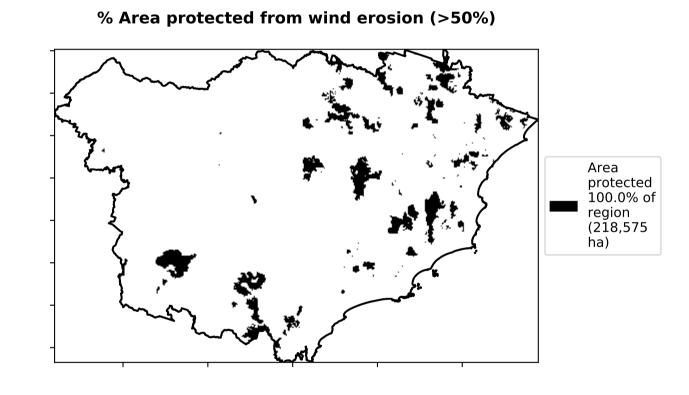
### **Production native forests and plantation forests**

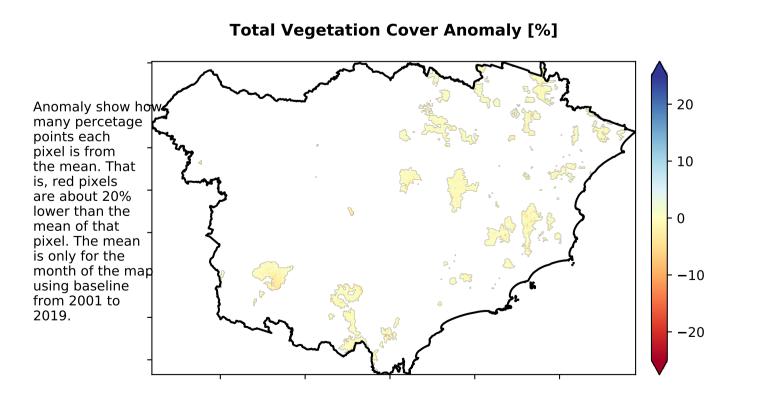
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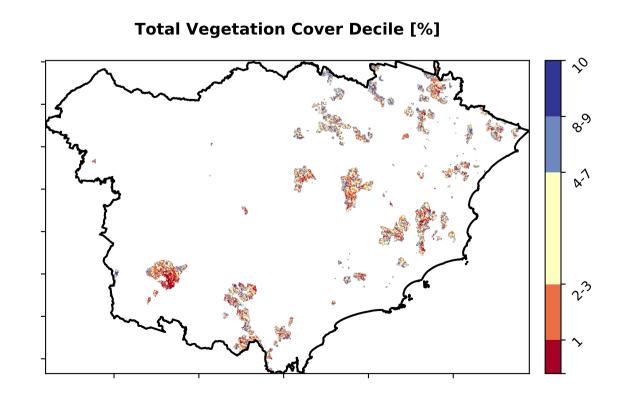
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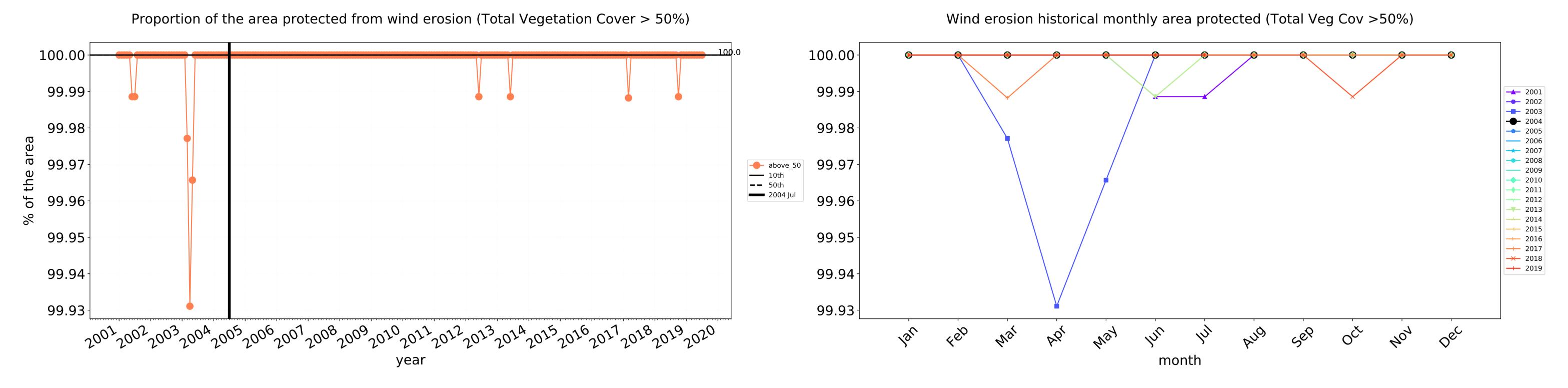


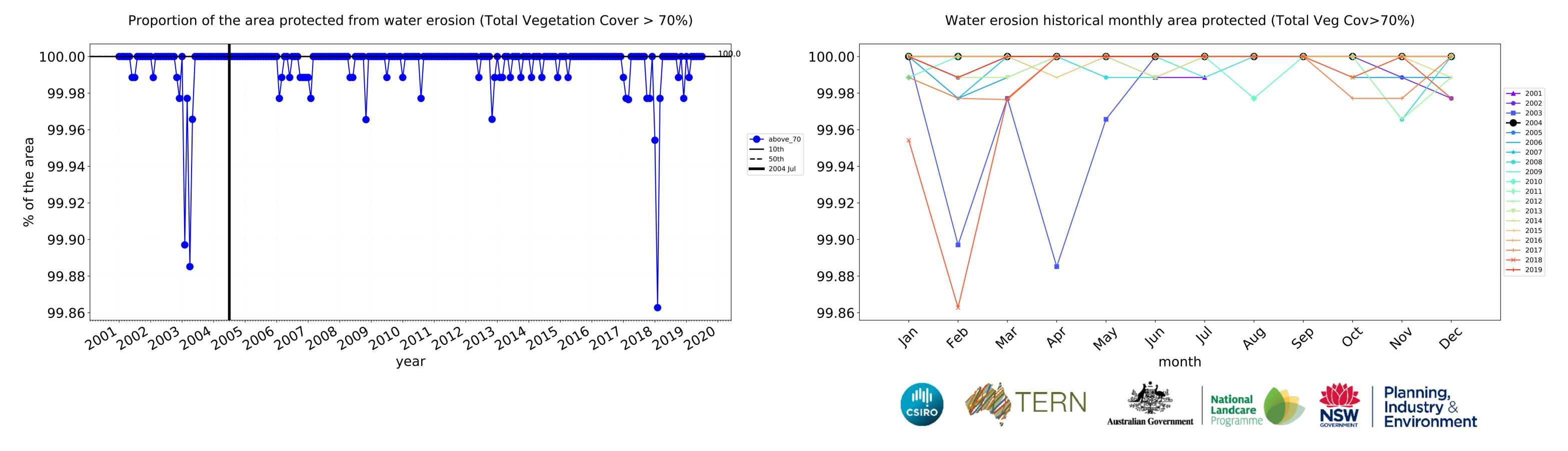


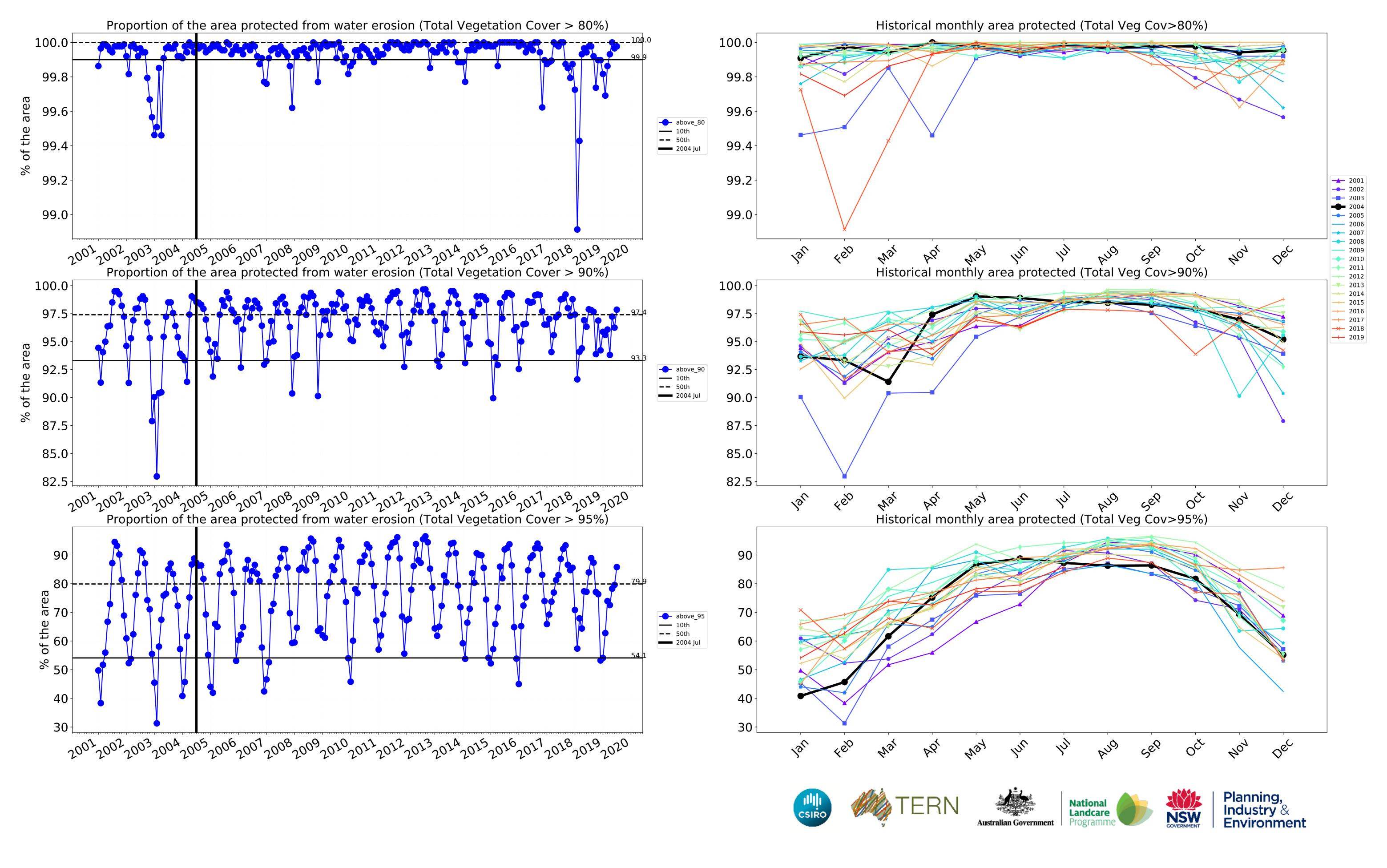




### **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**







### 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	99.9% 3,235,925	99.7% 3,229,403	98.7% 3,196,467	94.5% 3,059,123	68.7% 2,223,515	39.0% 1,263,557
Conservation and natural environments	1,241,400	99.9% 1,240,225	99.8% 1,239,400	99.7% 1,237,550	99.4% 1,233,375	91.7% 1,138,275	62.9% 781,025
Conservation and natural environments non forest	30,100	96.2% 28,950	94.0% 28,300	90.9% 27,350	87.0% 26,200	69.4% 20,875	34.4% 10,350
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest  Conservation and	138,800	100.0% 138,775	99.9% 138,725	99.9% 138,675	99.6% 138,200	84.3% 116,975	39.0% 54,175
natural environments Forest (non woodland)	1,072,500	100.0% 1,072,500	100.0% 1,072,375	99.9% 1,071,525	99.7% 1,068,975	93.3% 1,000,425	66.8% 716,500
Agriculture	1,580,575	100.0% 1,580,525	100.0% 1,580,075	99.5% 1,571,925	93.5% 1,478,425	51.9% 820,475	17.7% 279,500
Grazing	1,502,575	100.0% 1,502,525	100.0% 1,502,075	99.7% 1,497,825	95.5% 1,435,650	54.4% 816,675	18.6% 279,025
Grazing non forest	1,212,775	100.0% 1,212,725	100.0% 1,212,275	99.6% 1,208,300	94.8% 1,149,700	51.8% 628,050	16.7% 202,900
Grazing Woodland forest	120,625	100.0% 120,625	100.0% 120,625	99.9% 120,525	98.1% 118,375	52.1% 62,825	13.6% 16,425
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	169,175	100.0% 169,175	100.0% 169,175	99.9% 169,000	99.1% 167,575	74.4% 125,800	35.3% 59,700
Cropping	50,625	100.0% 50,625	100.0% 50,625	93.4% 47,275	49.7% 25,150	4.5% 2,275	0.6% 300
Production native forests and plantation forests	218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,550	98.5% 215,400	87.3% 190,725











