Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Hunter NSW

Date: January 2016

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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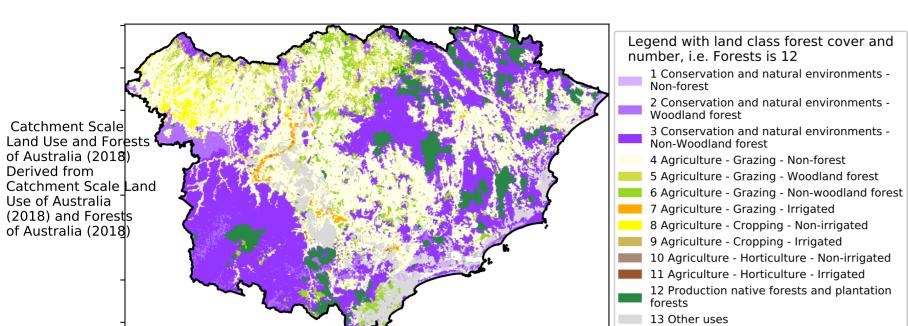






Vegetation Cover Jan 2016

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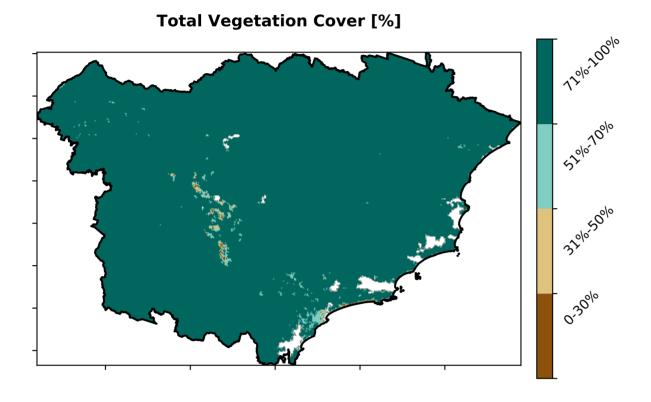
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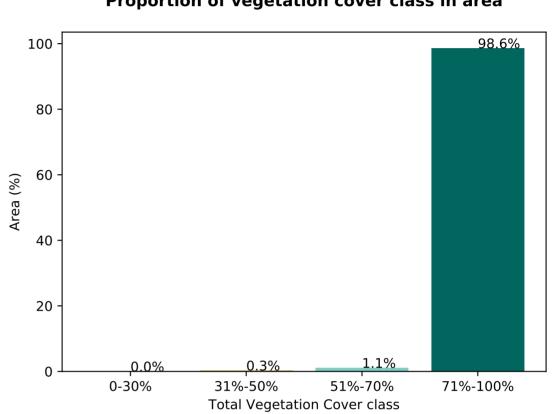
Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

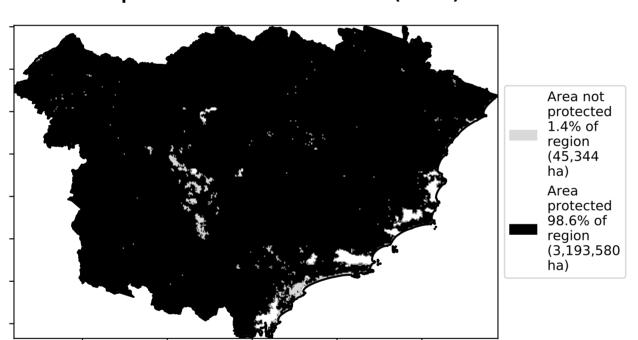
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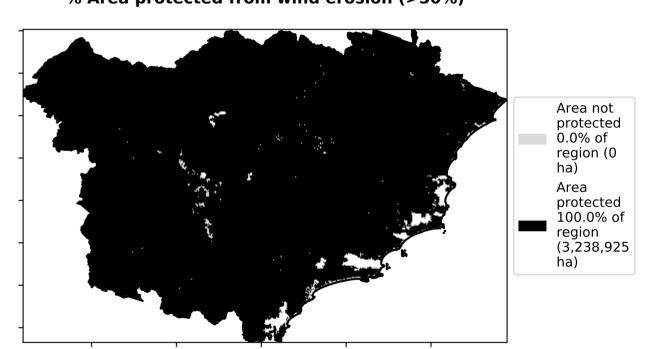




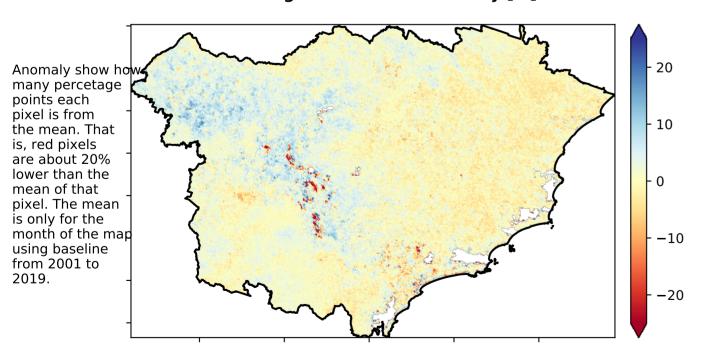
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% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

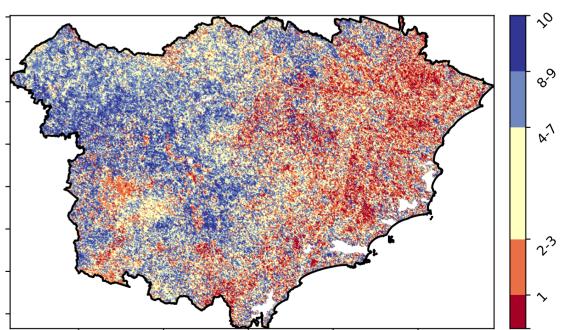


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





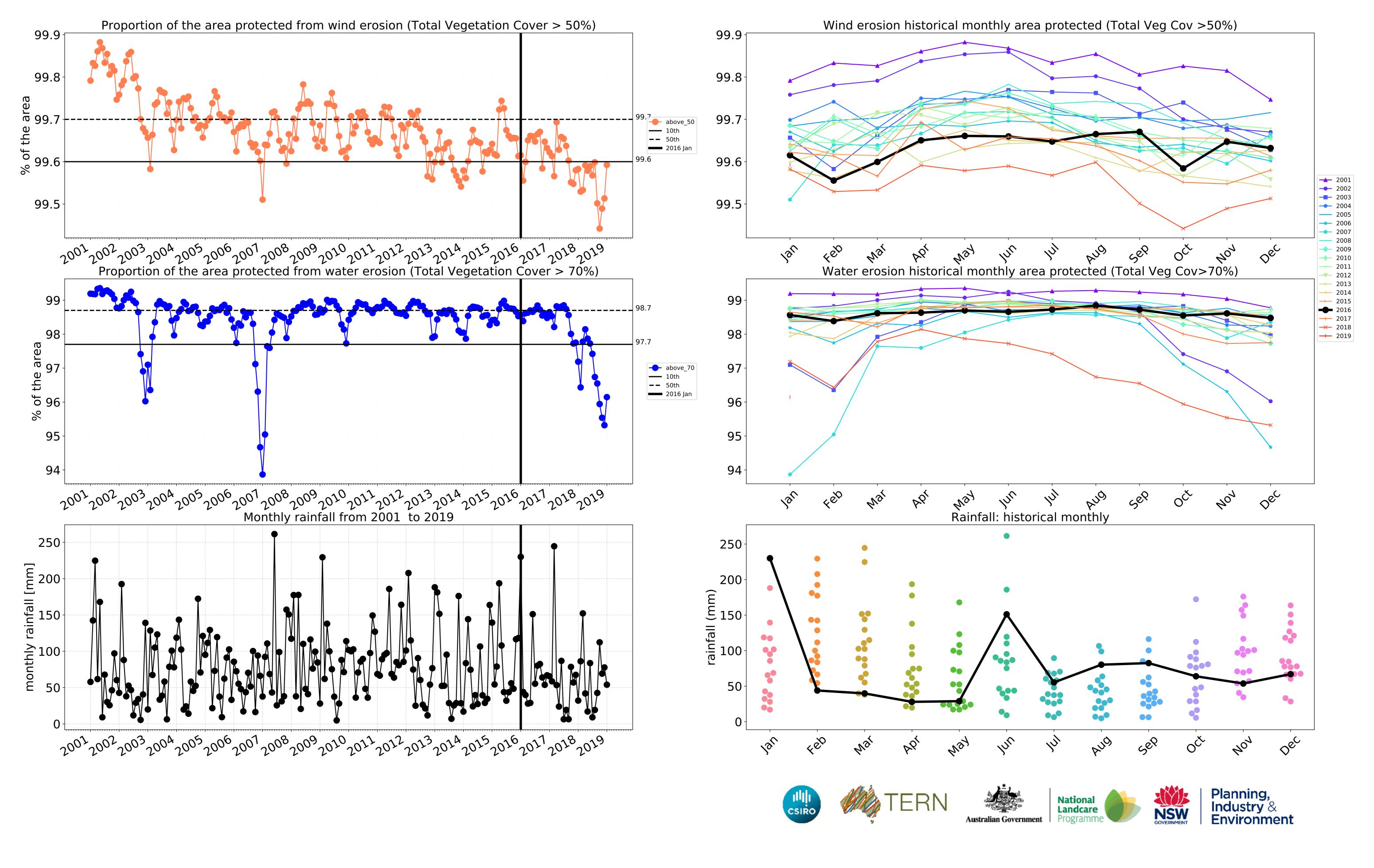


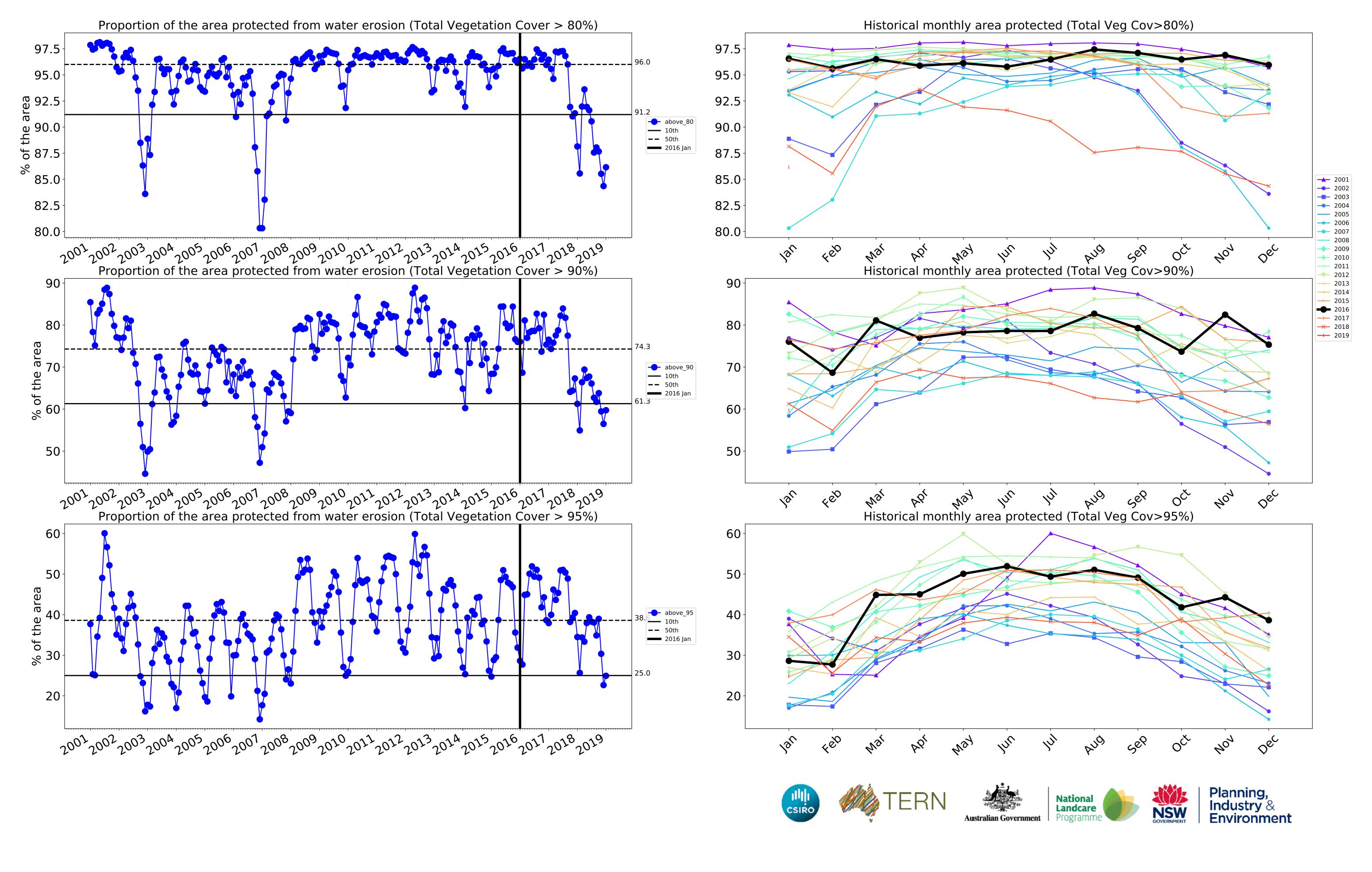






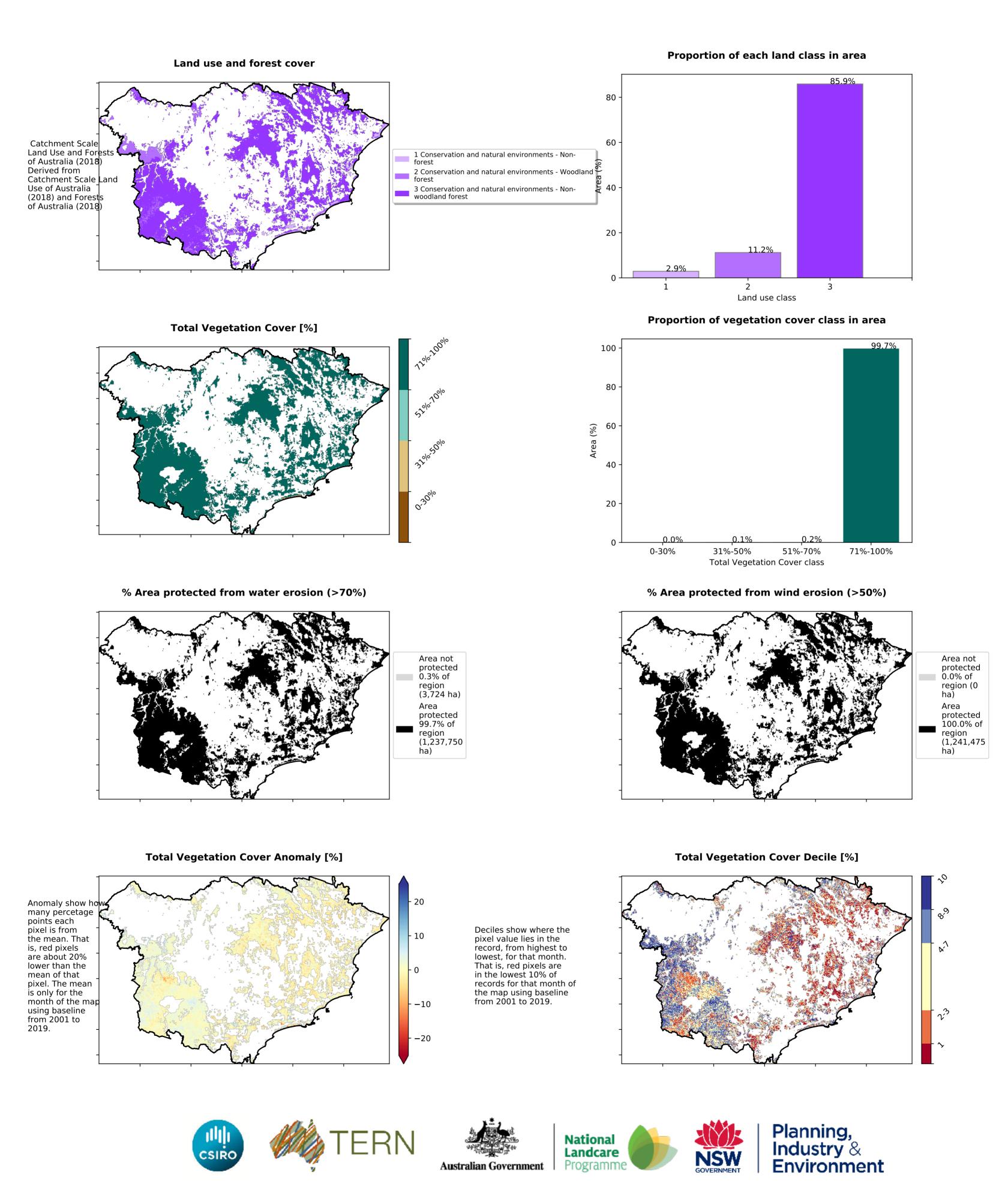




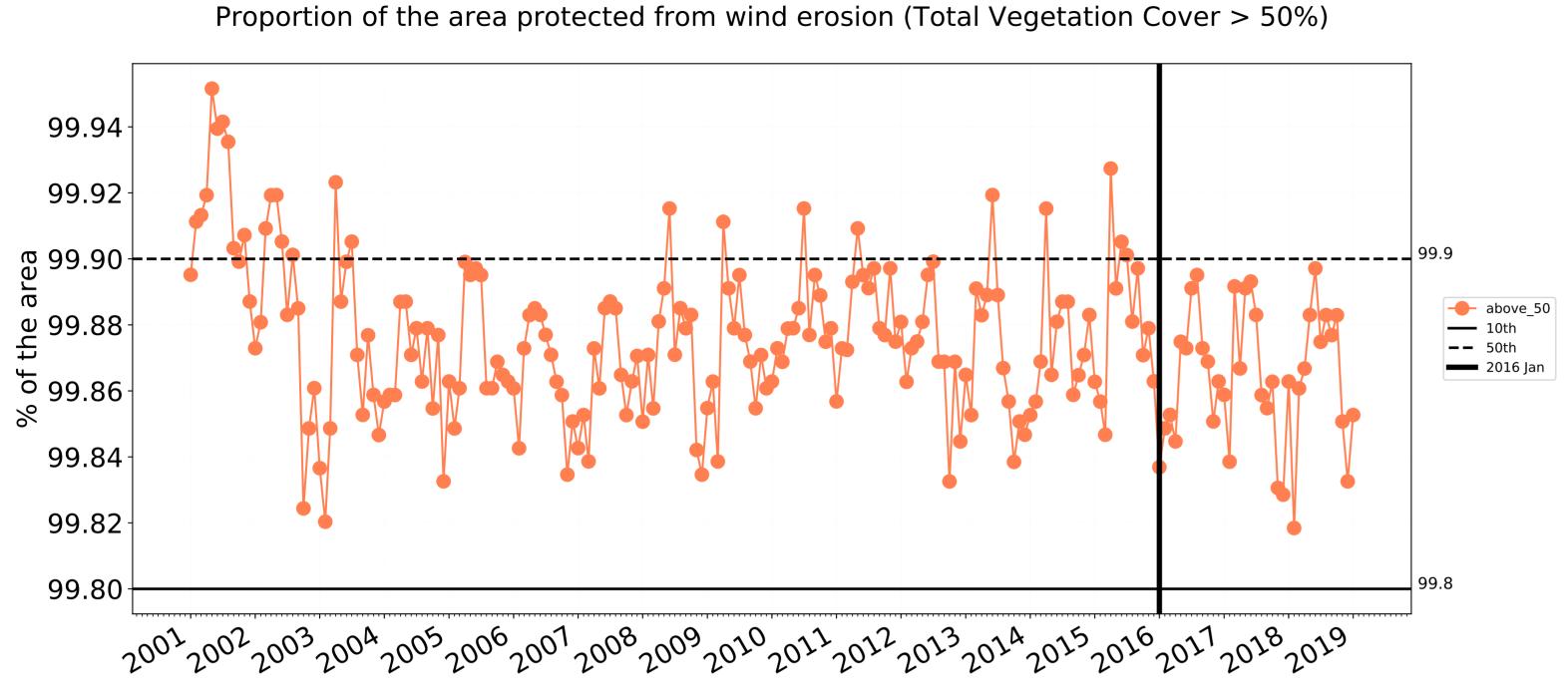


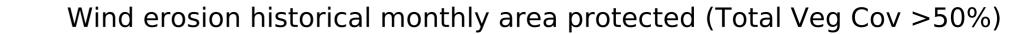
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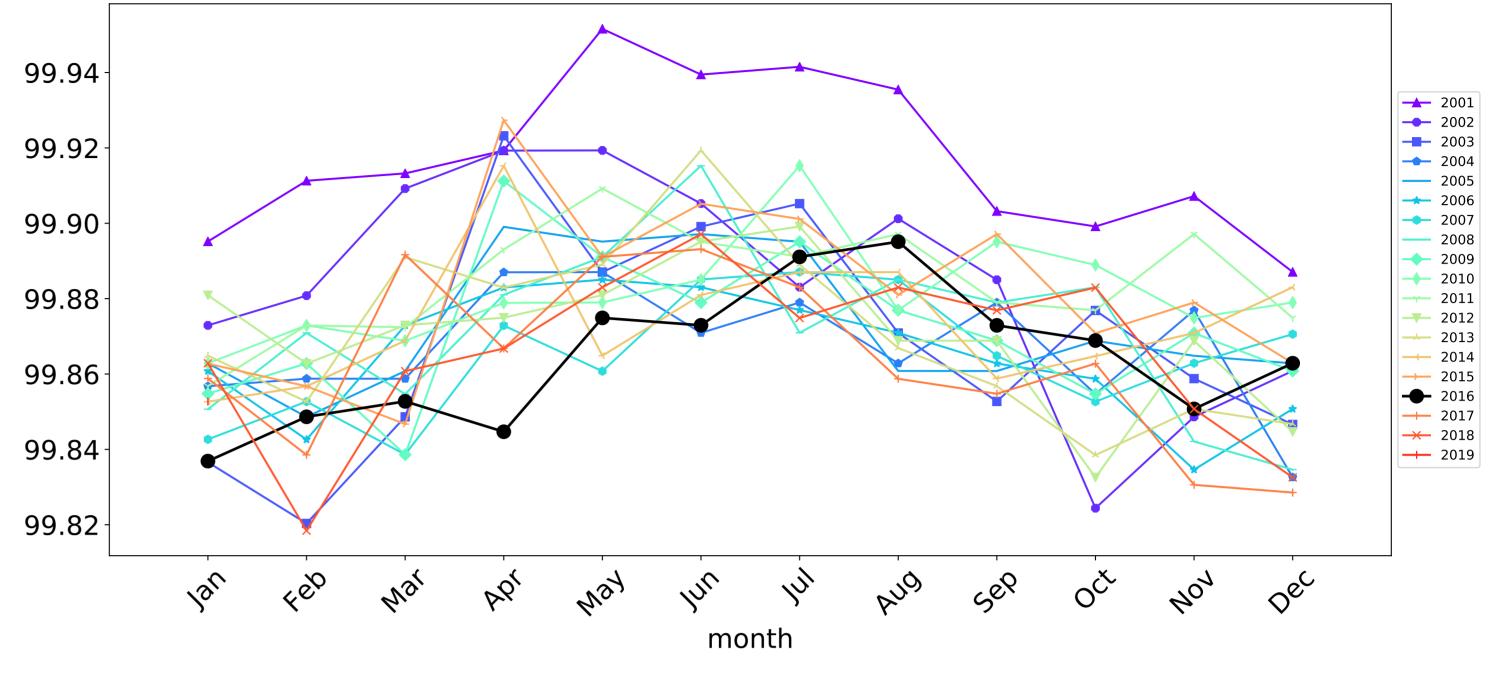
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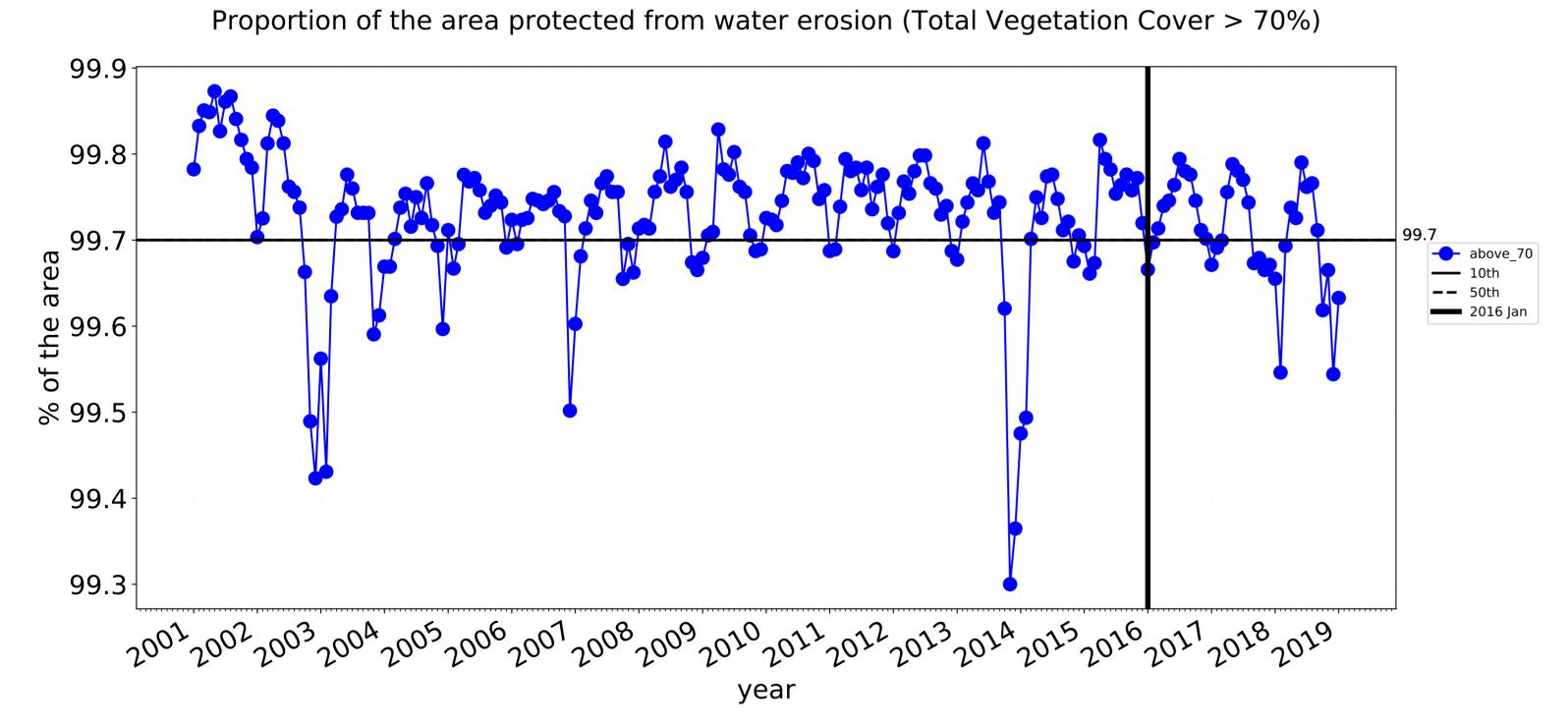


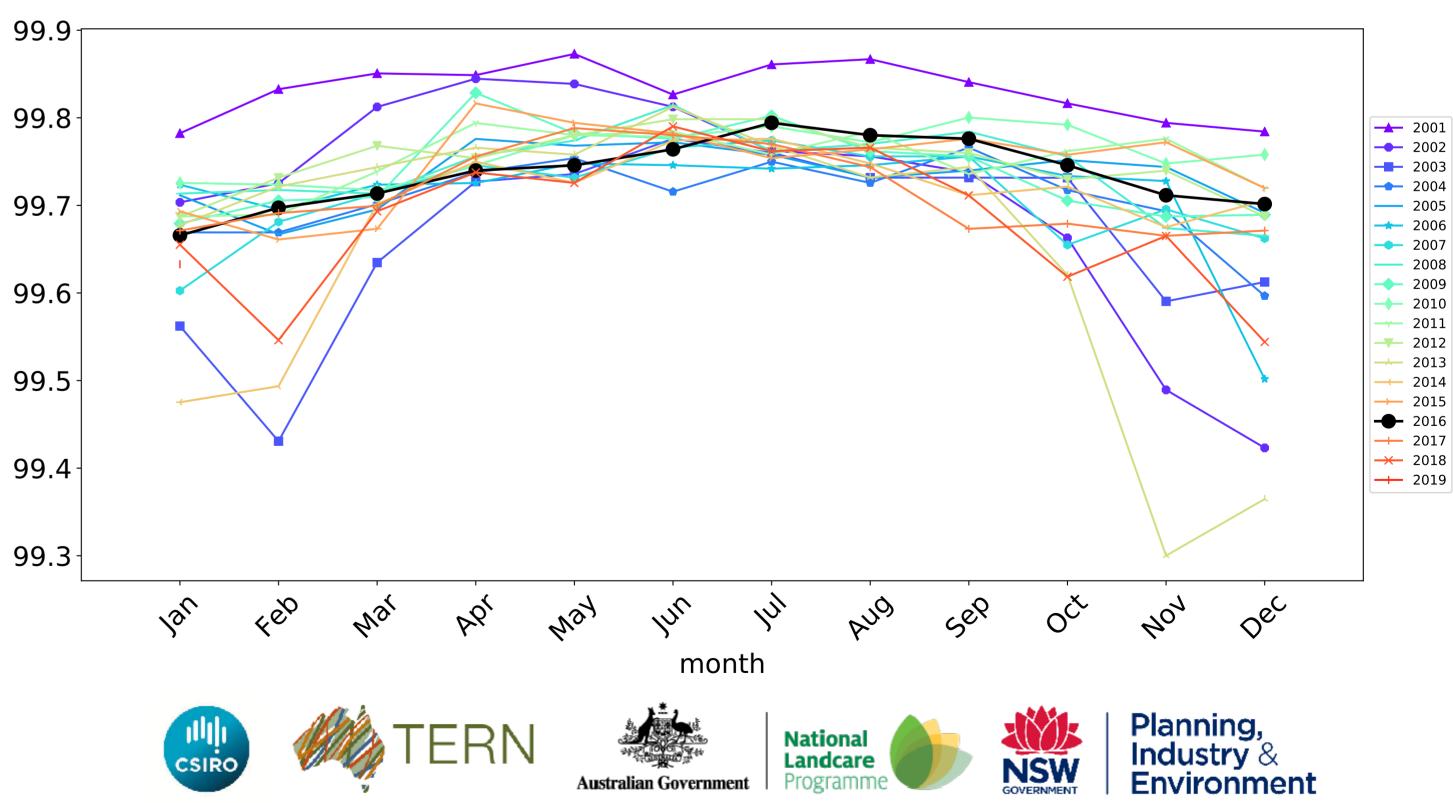
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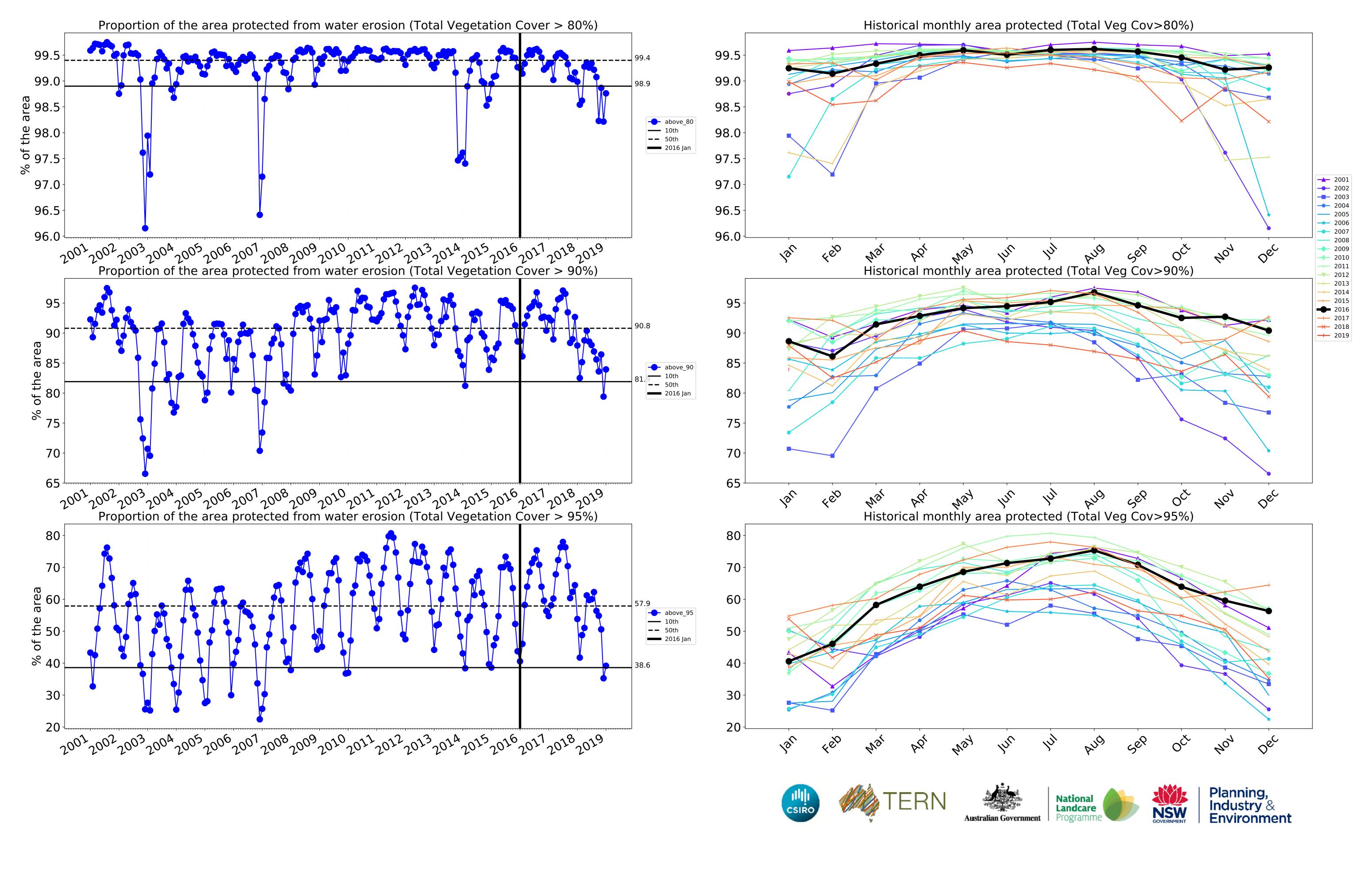




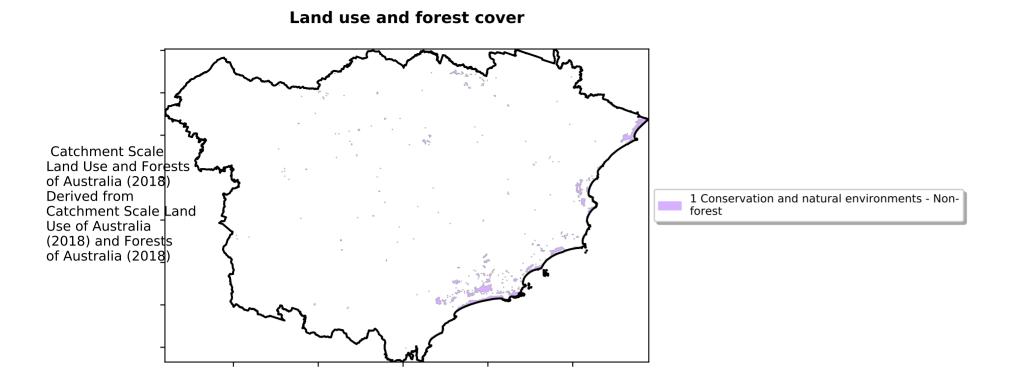




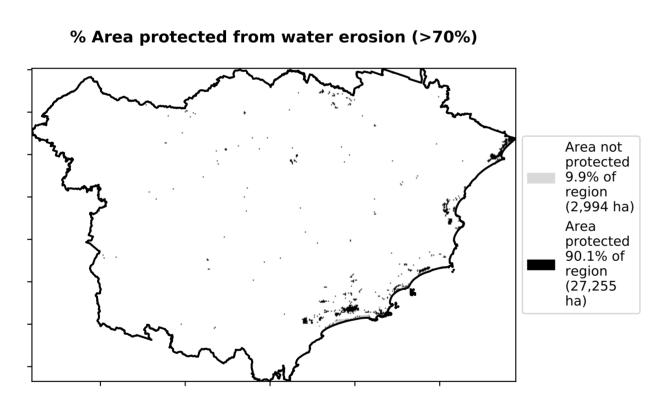
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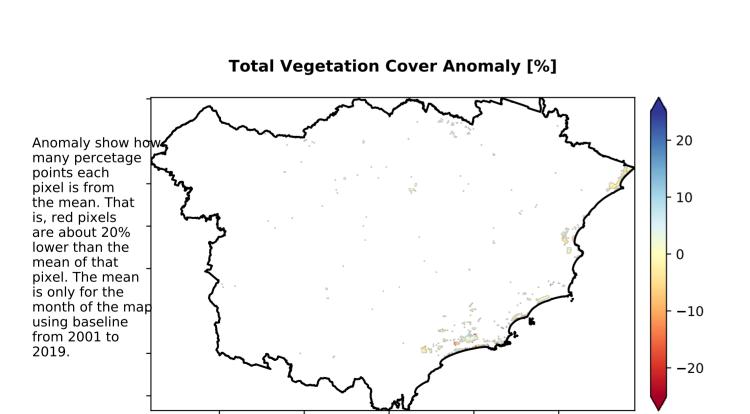


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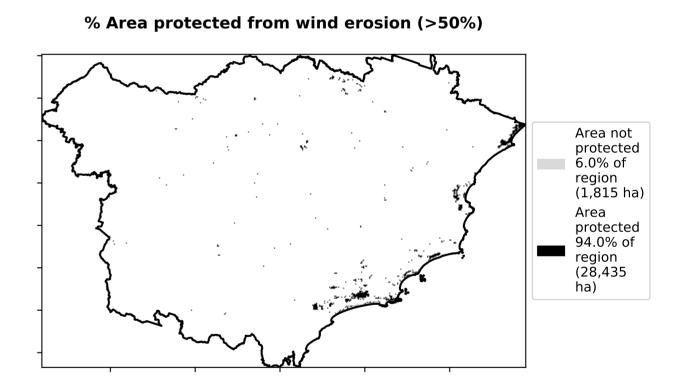
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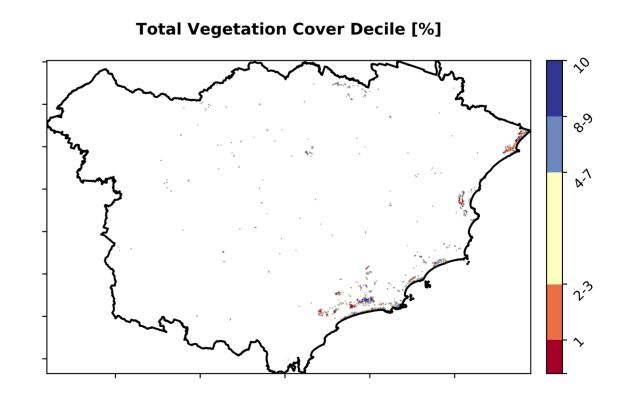




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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 90.1% 90.1% 90.1% 4.0% 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% Total Vegetation Cover class











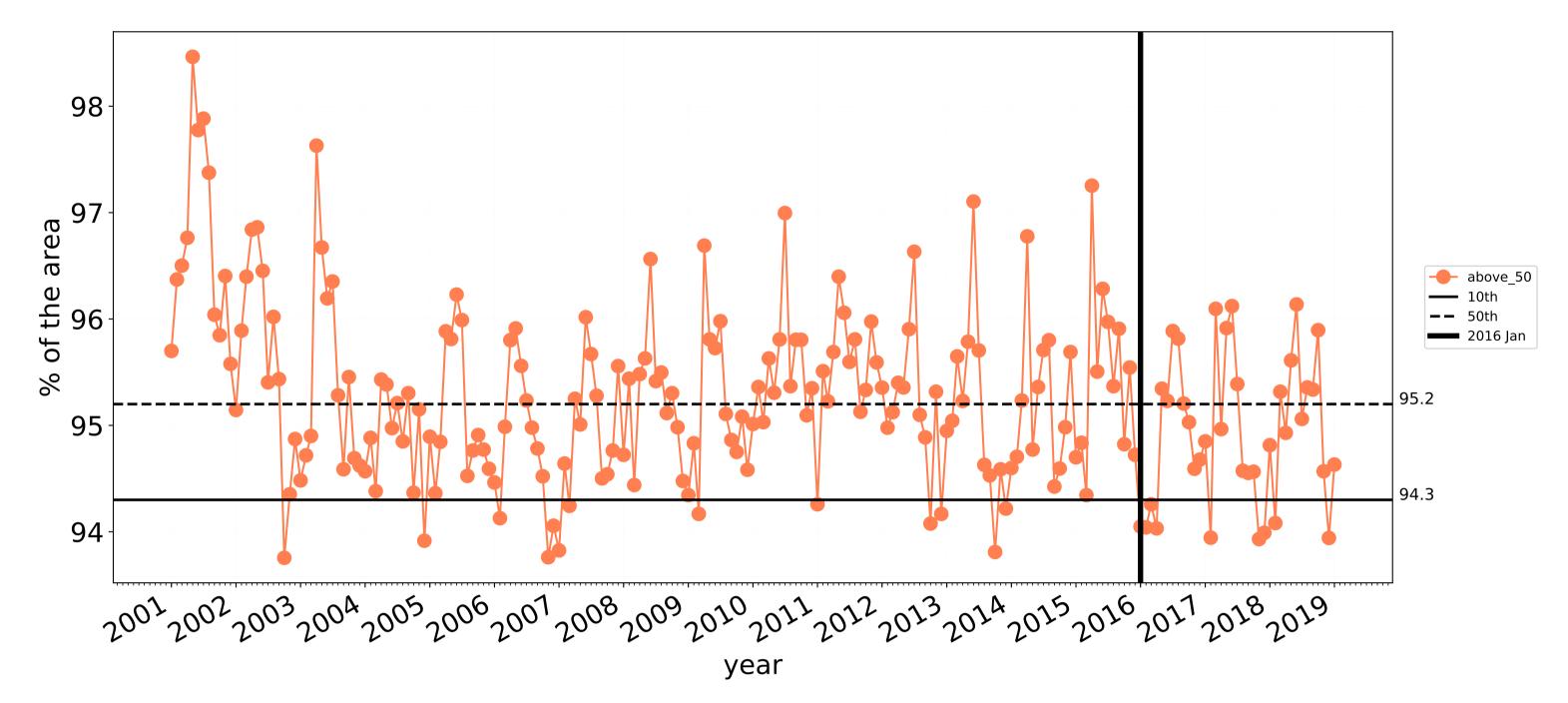




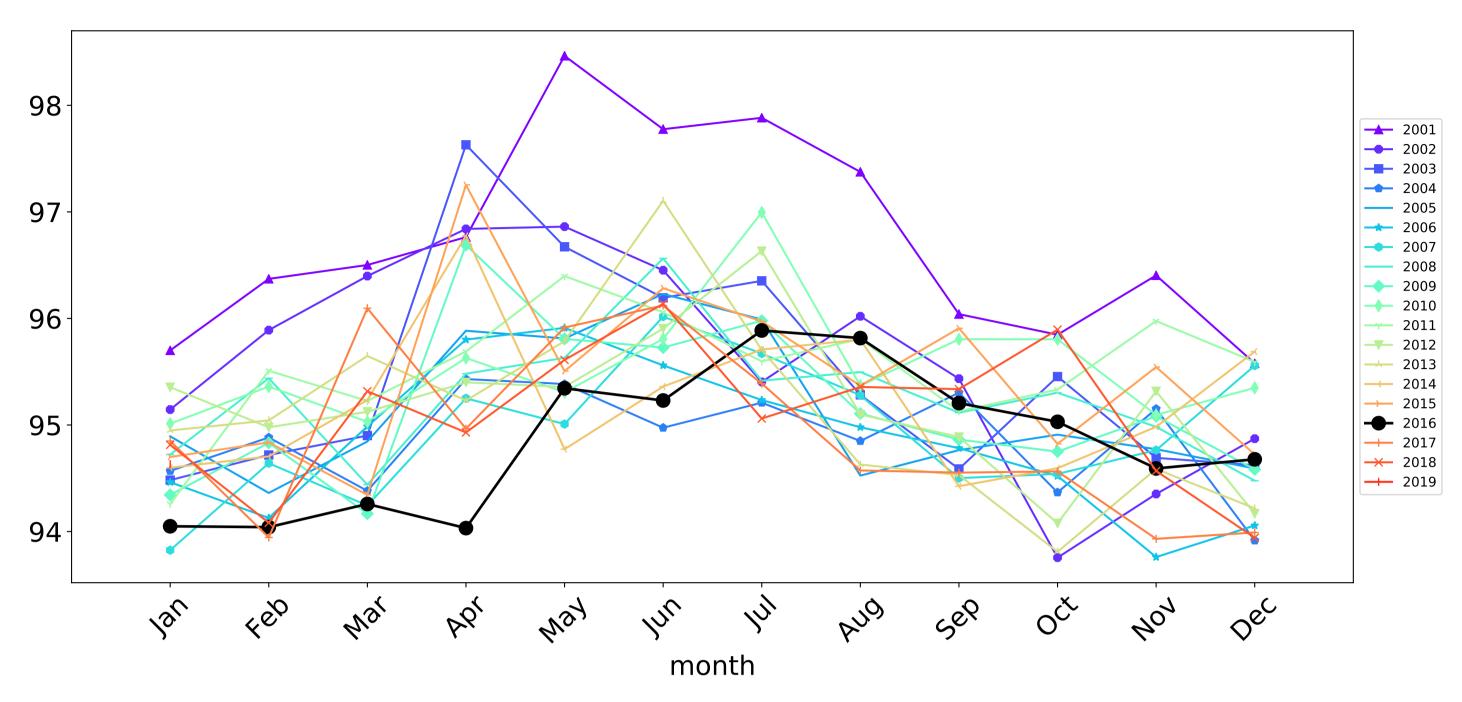


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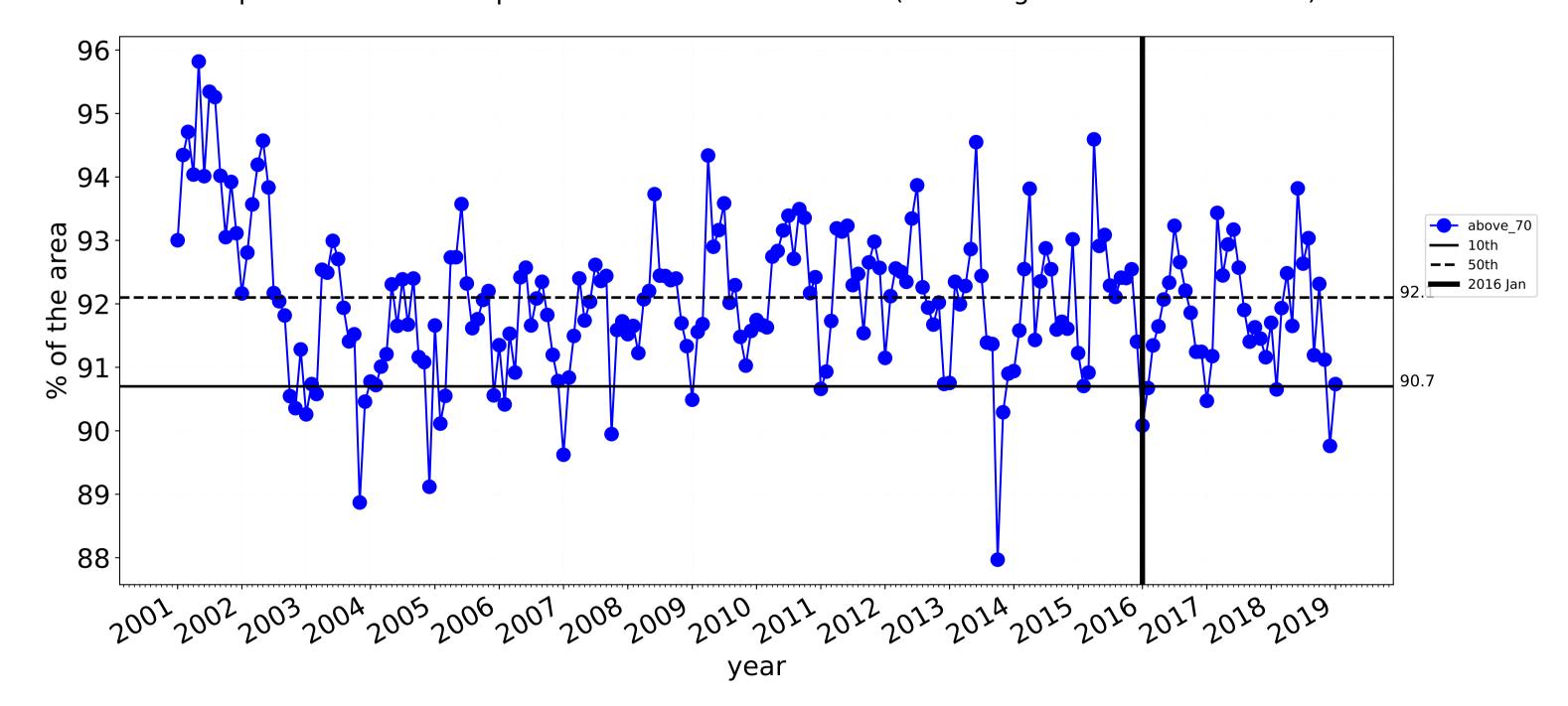




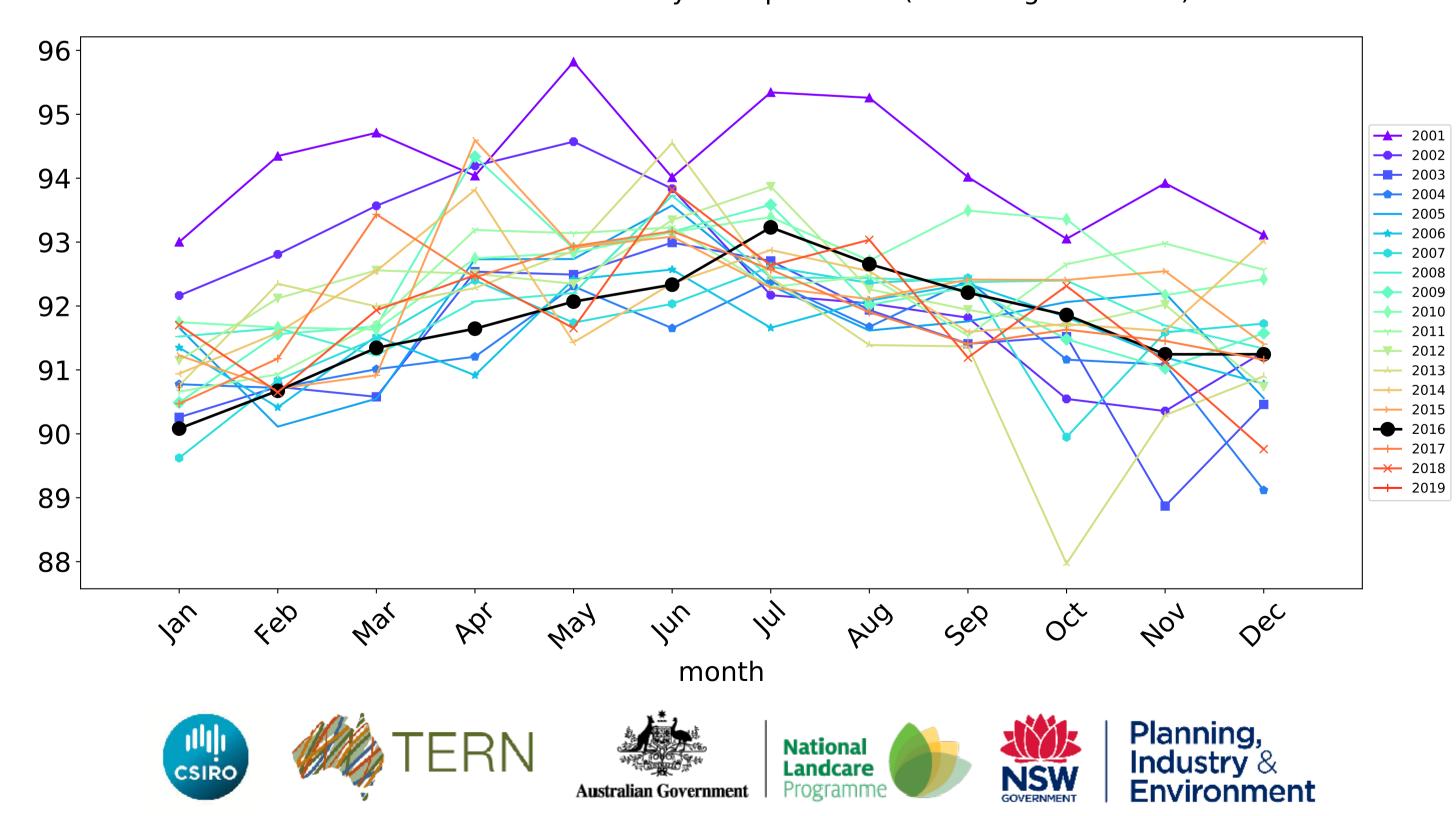
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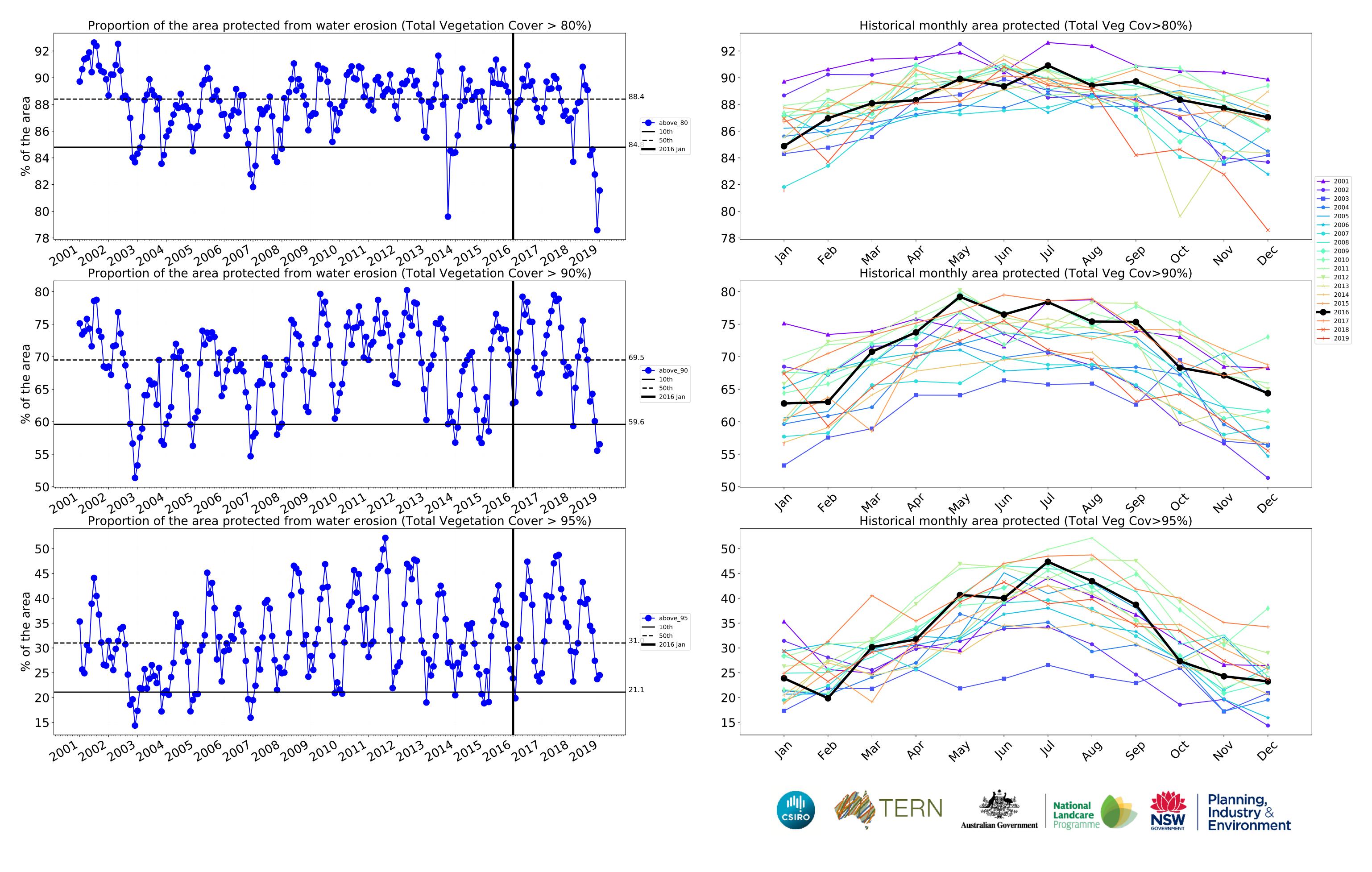


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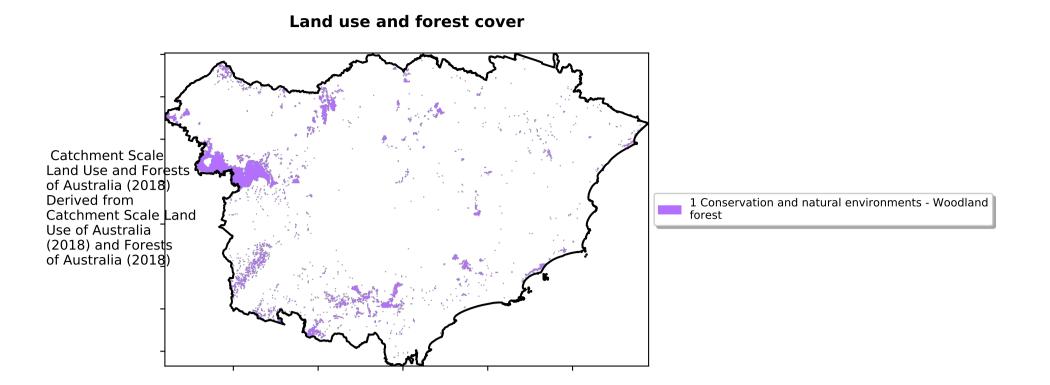


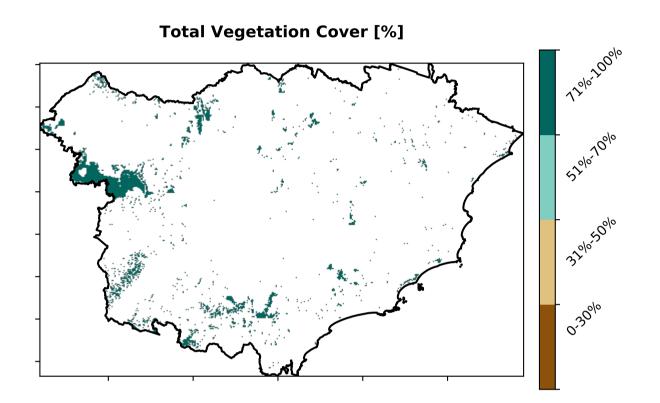
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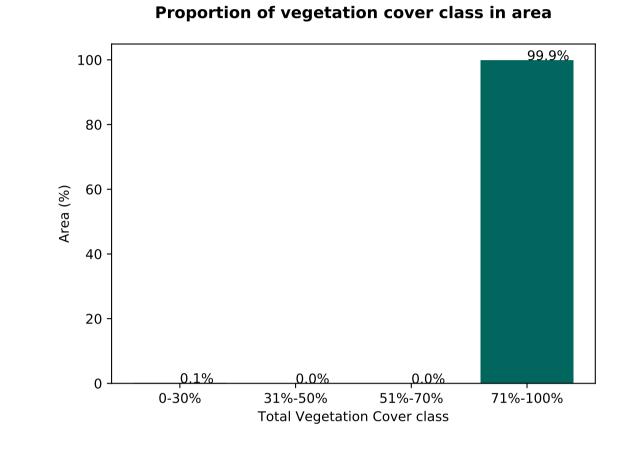


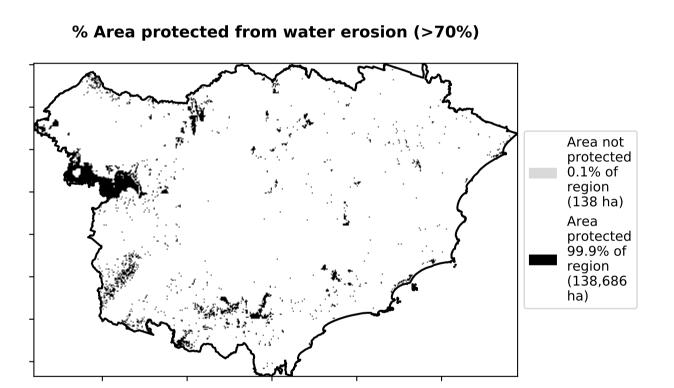


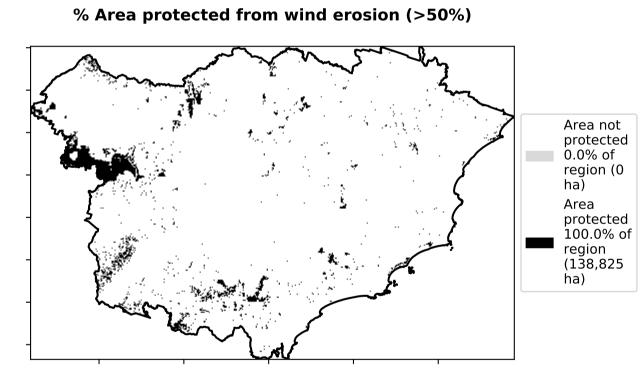
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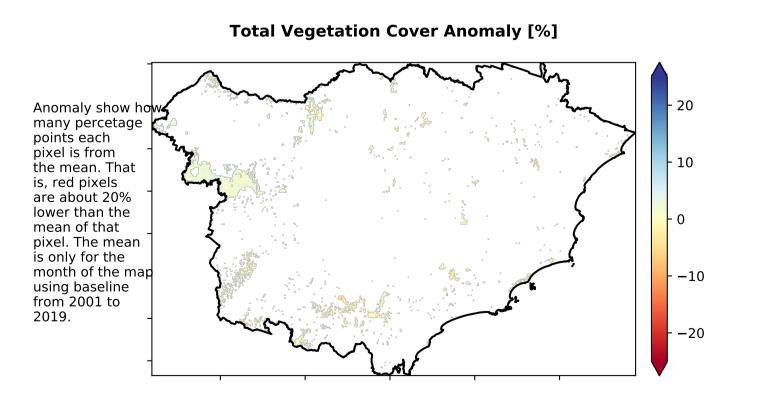


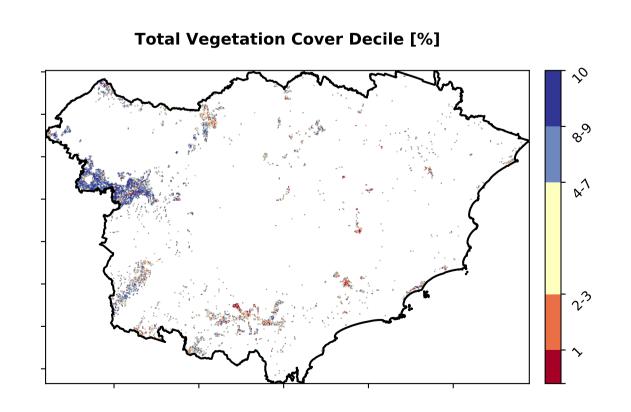
















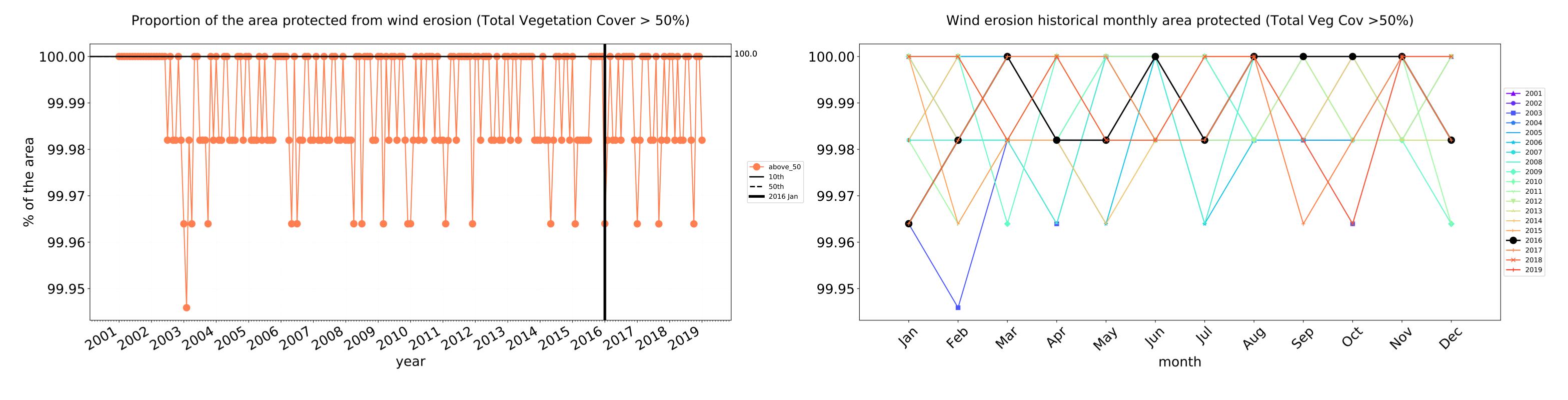


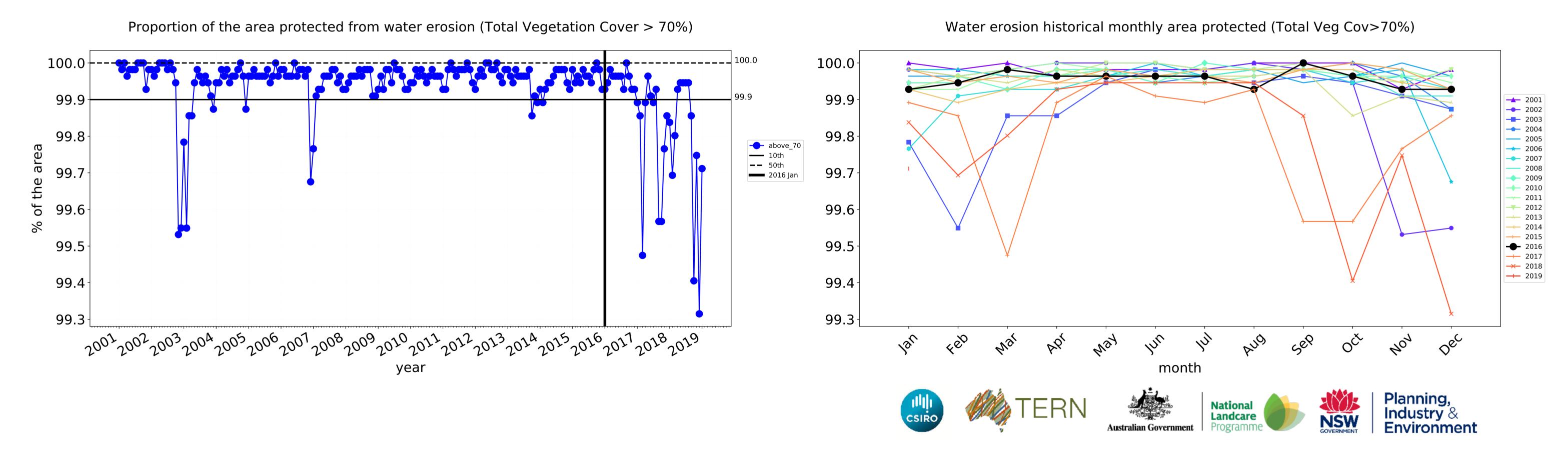


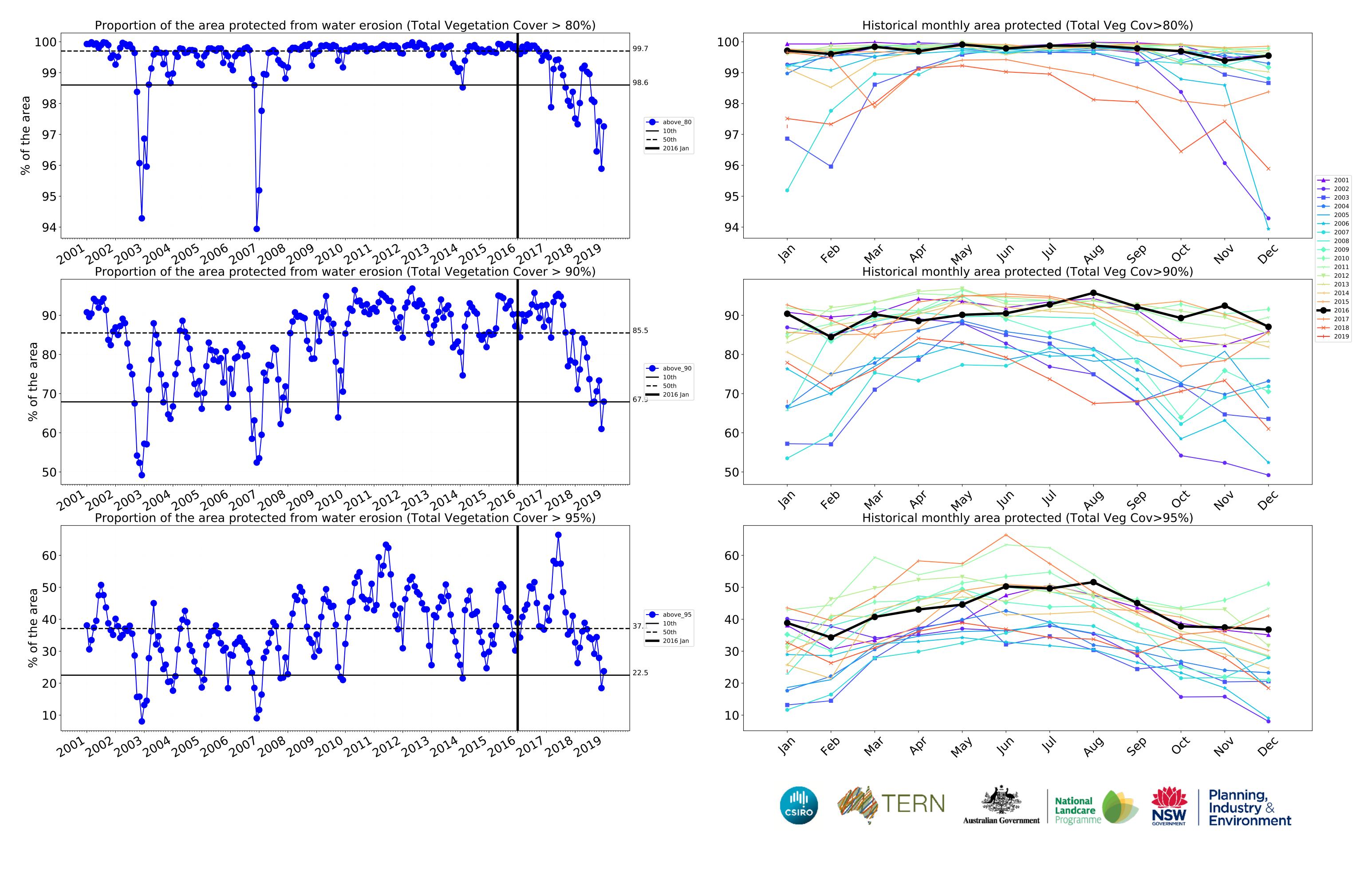




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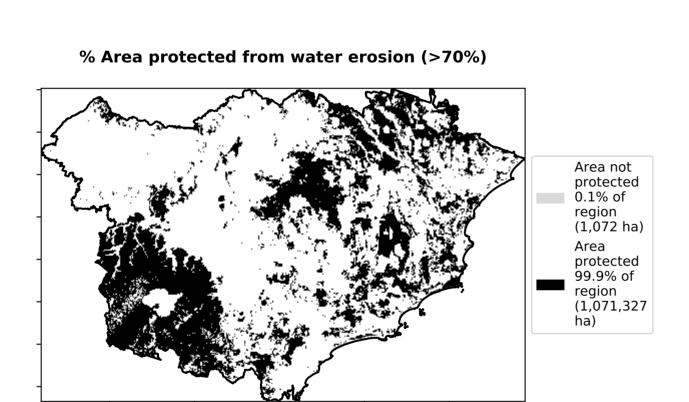


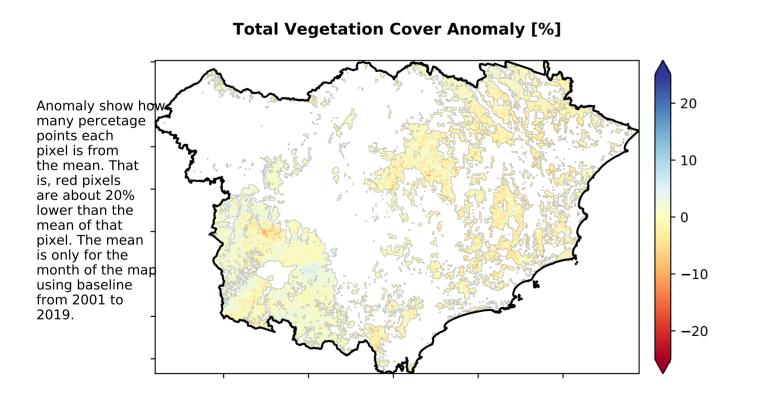


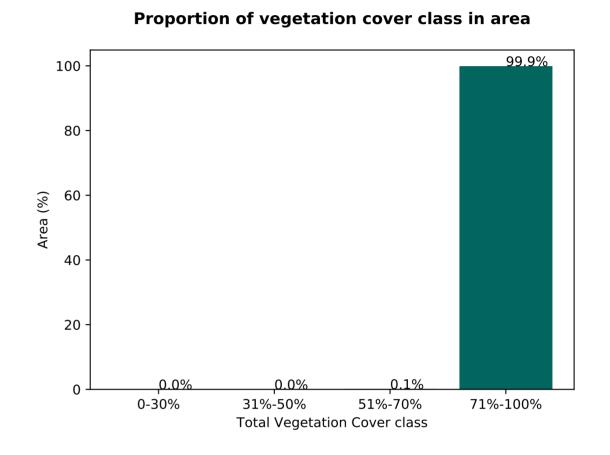
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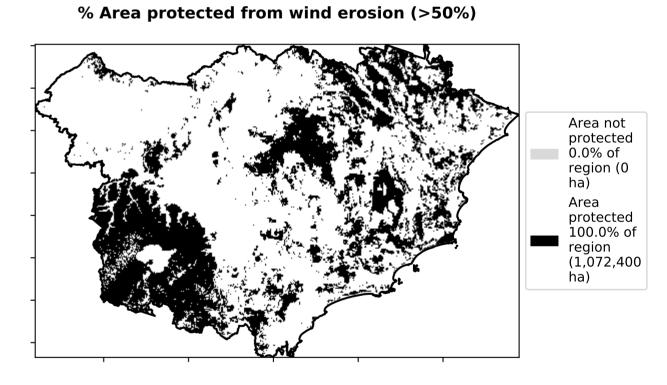
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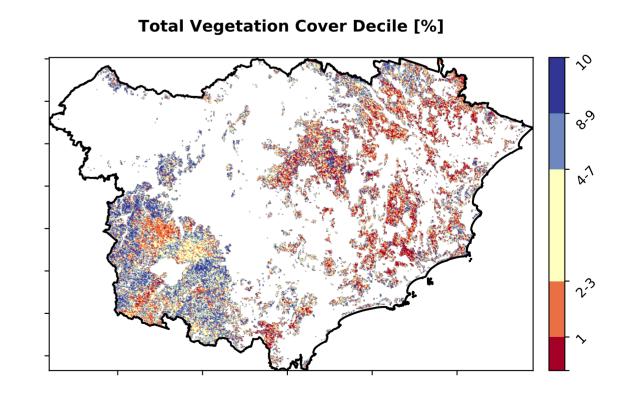
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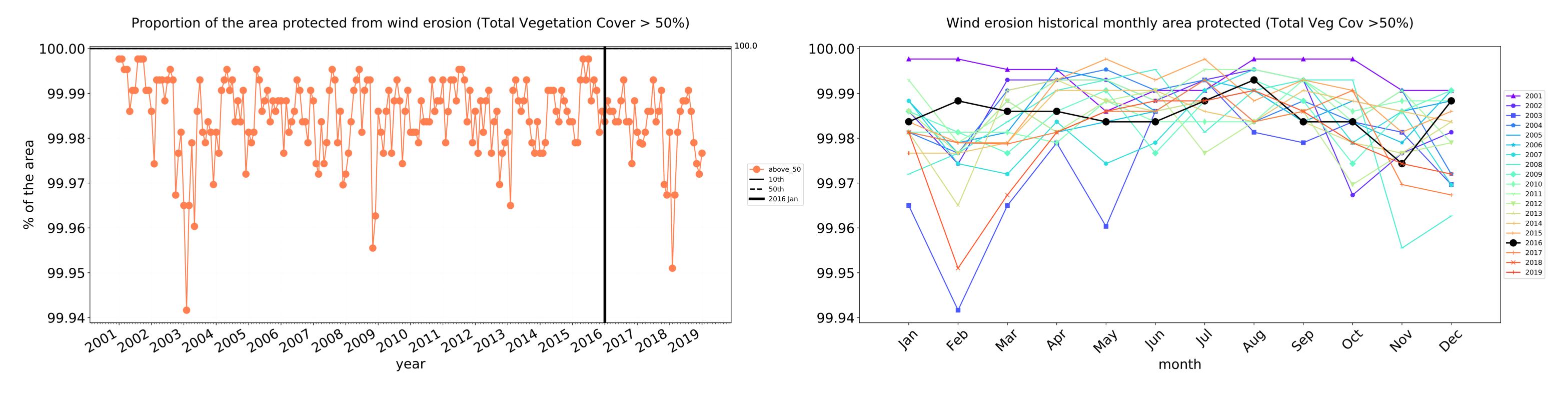


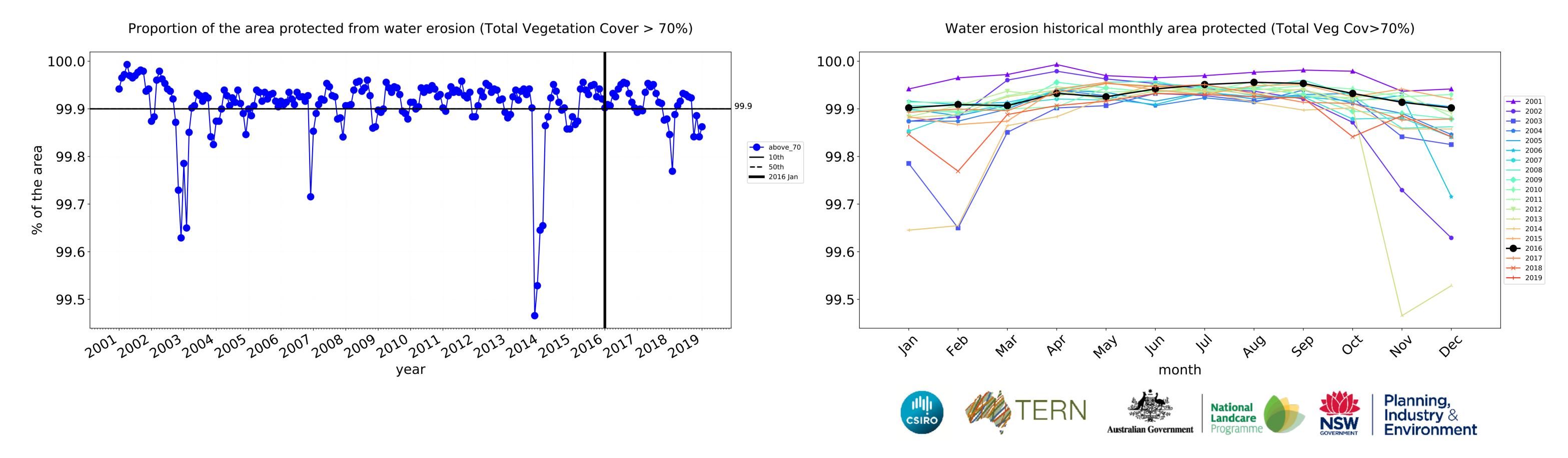


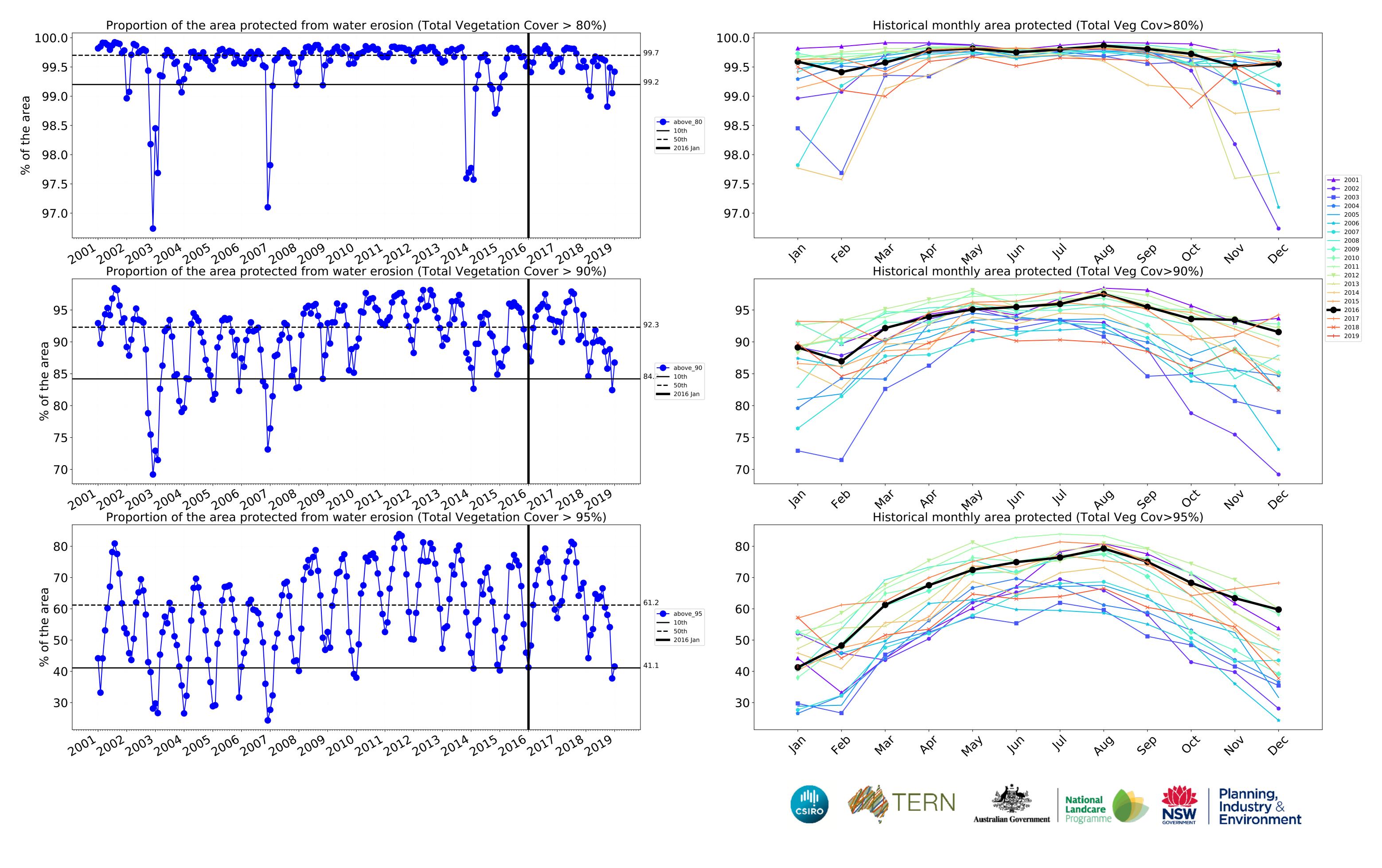




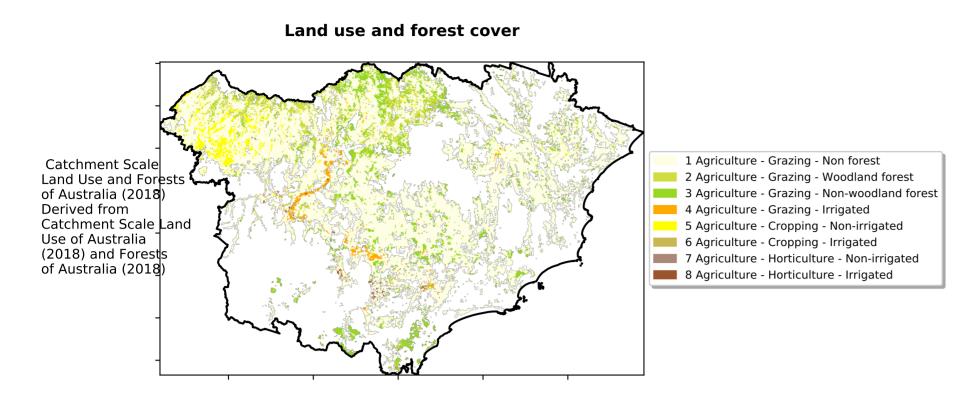






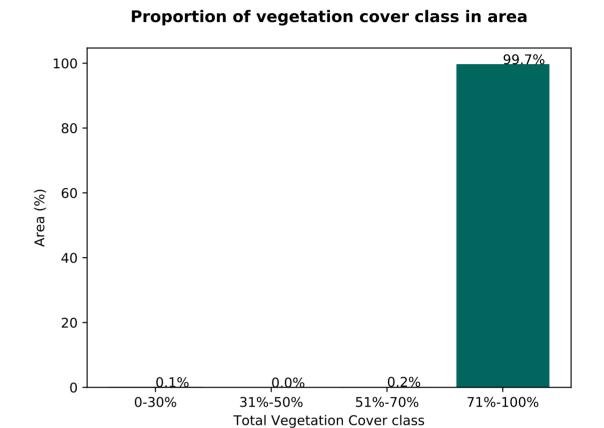


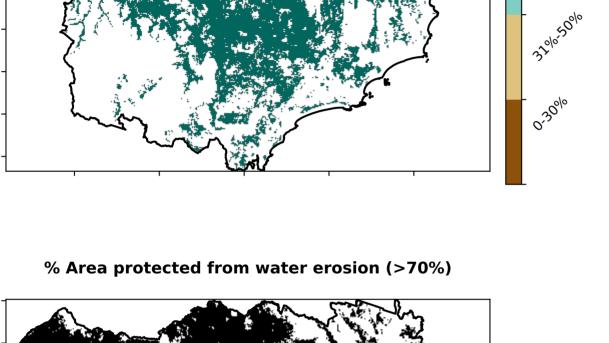
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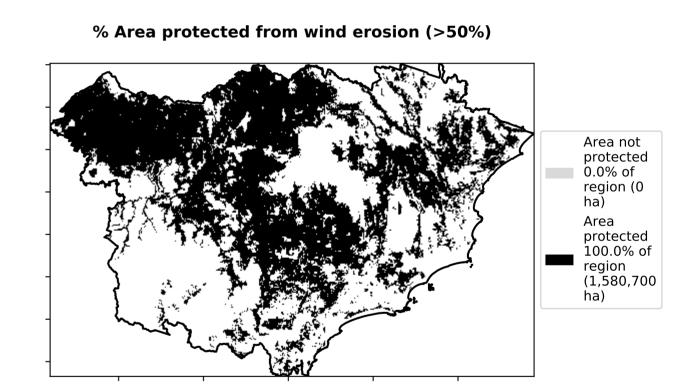


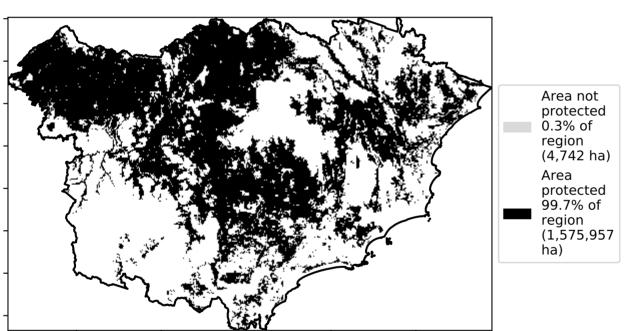


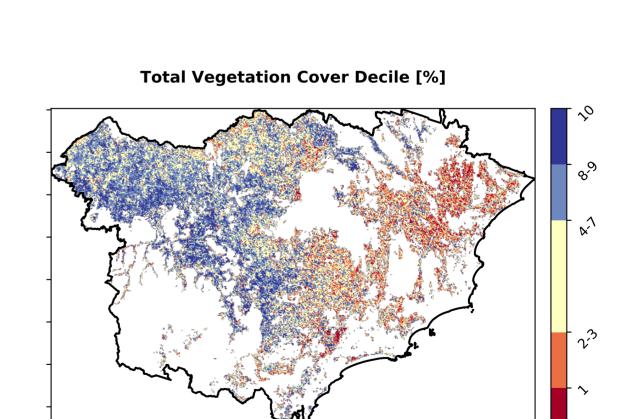
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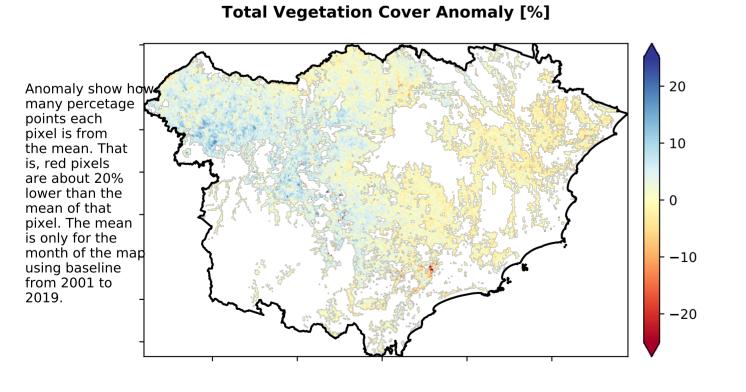
















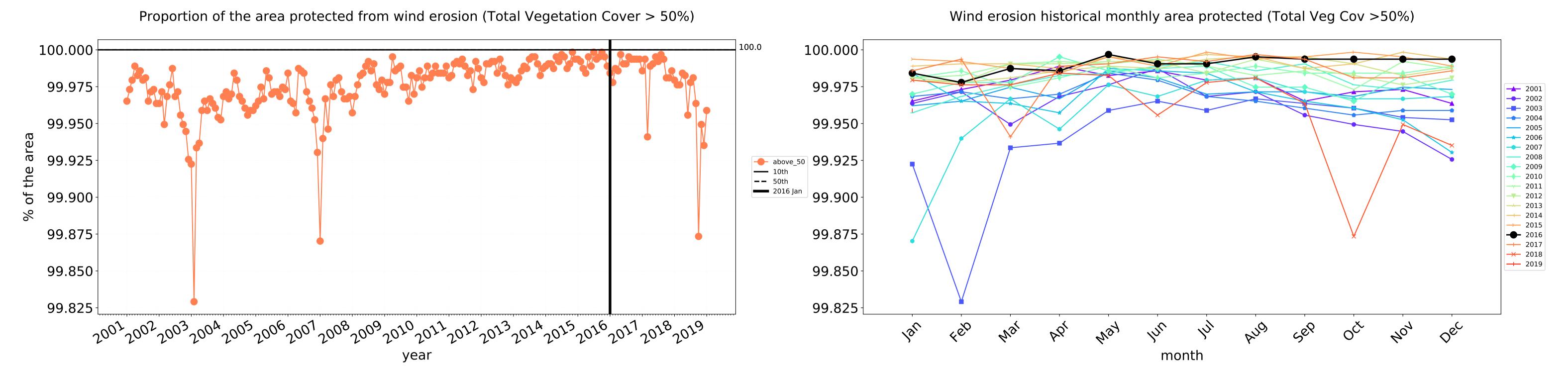


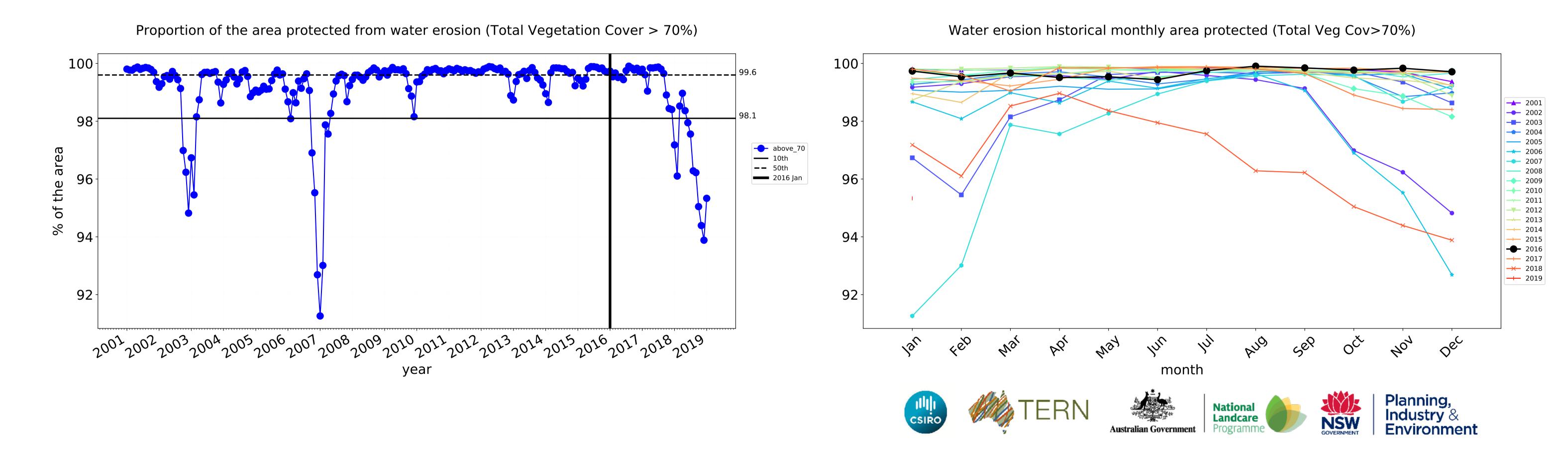


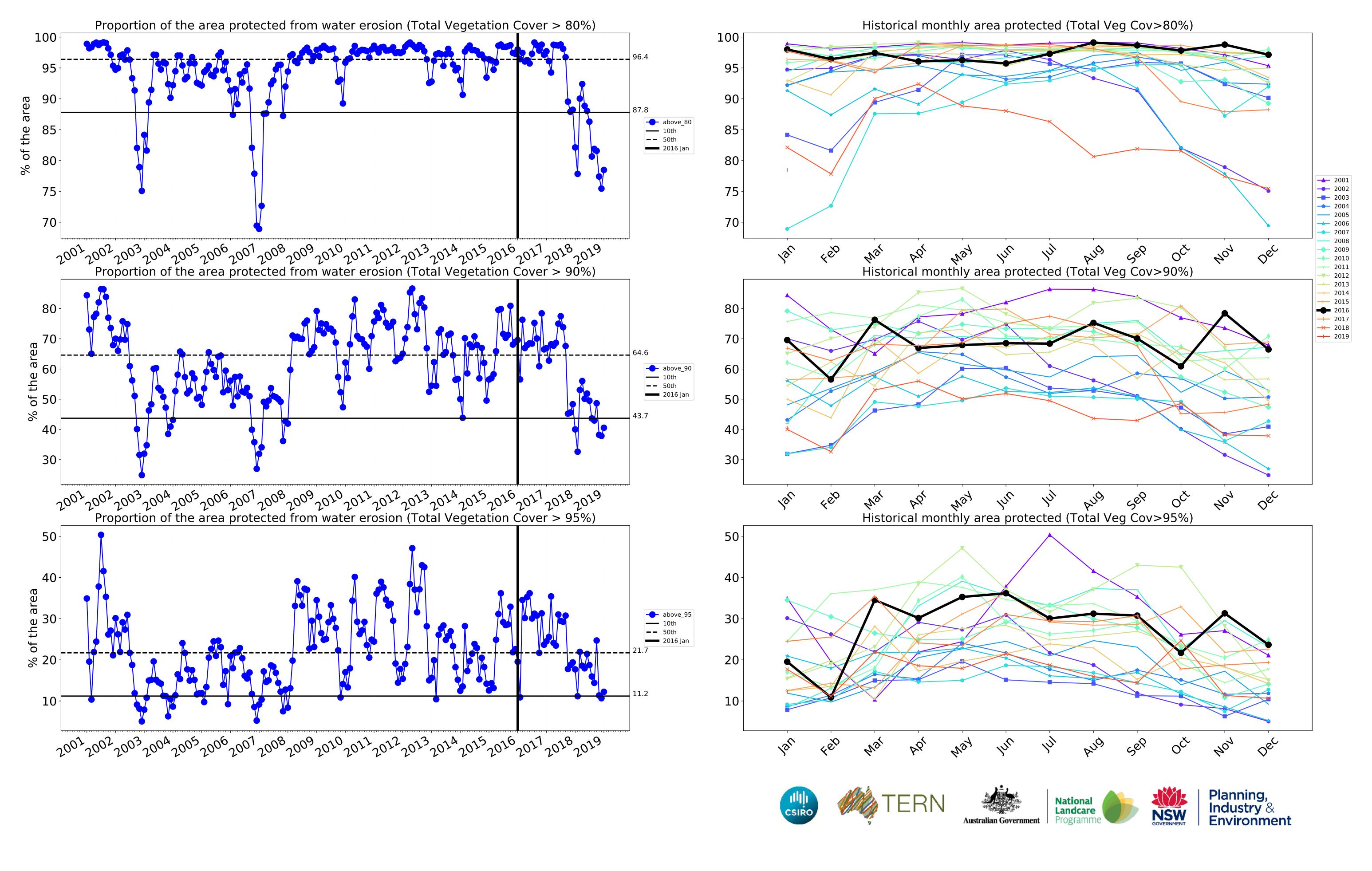




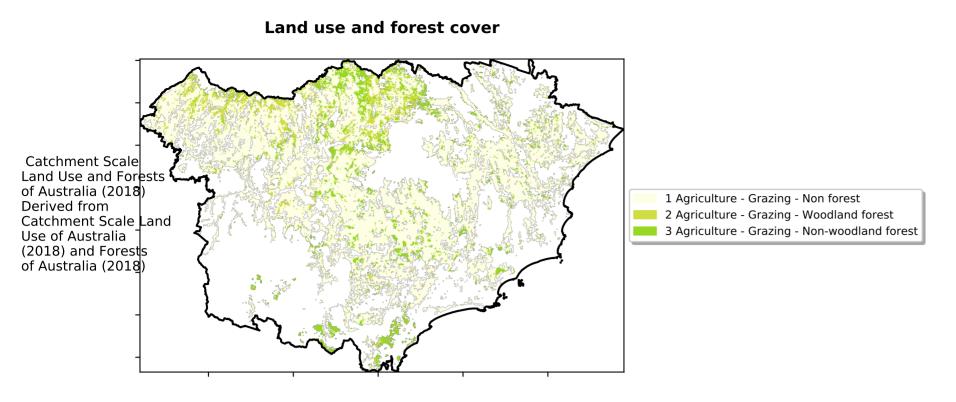
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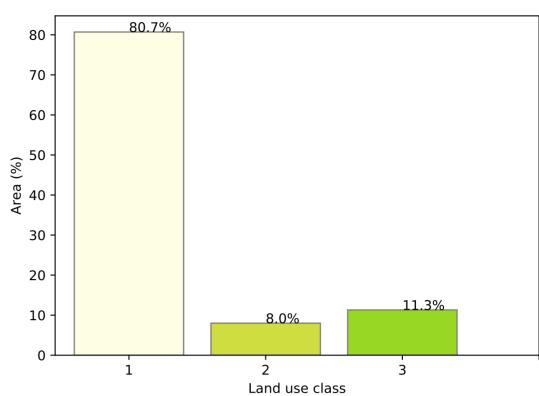




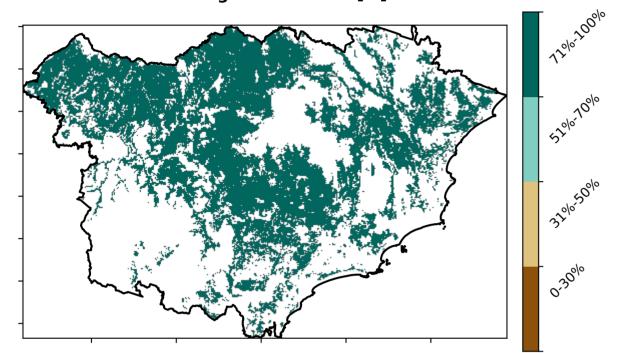
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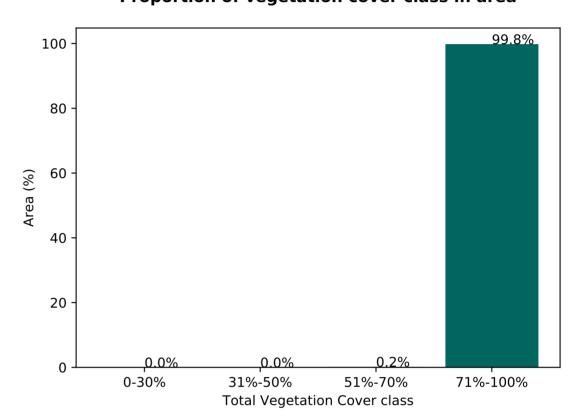
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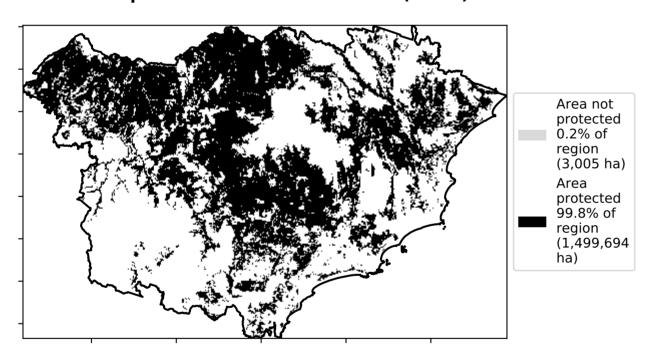




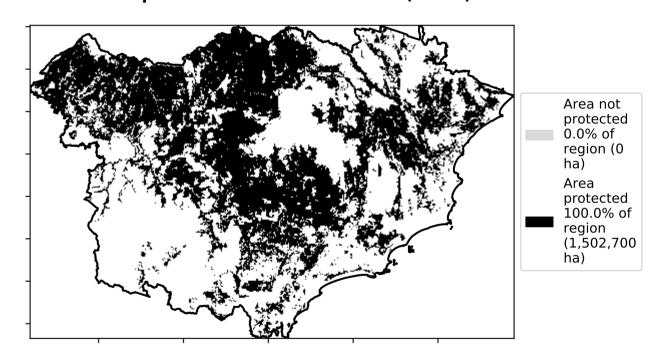
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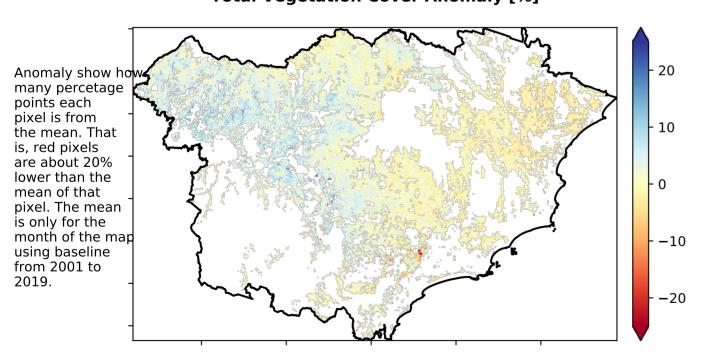
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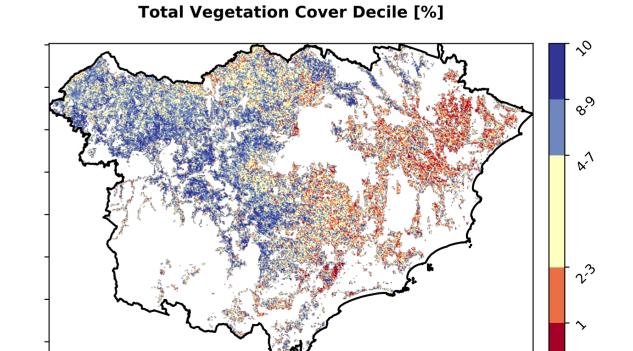


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]









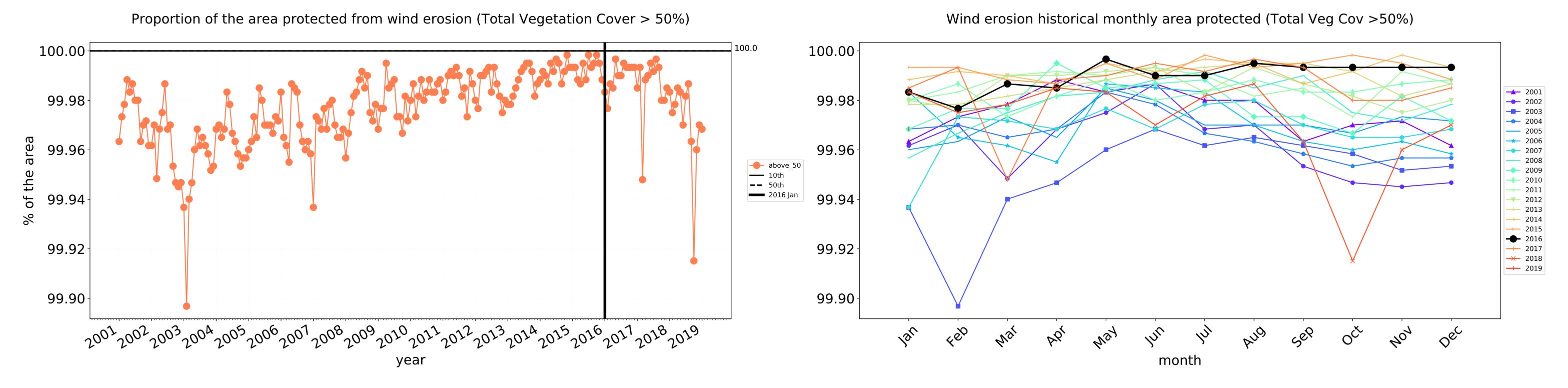


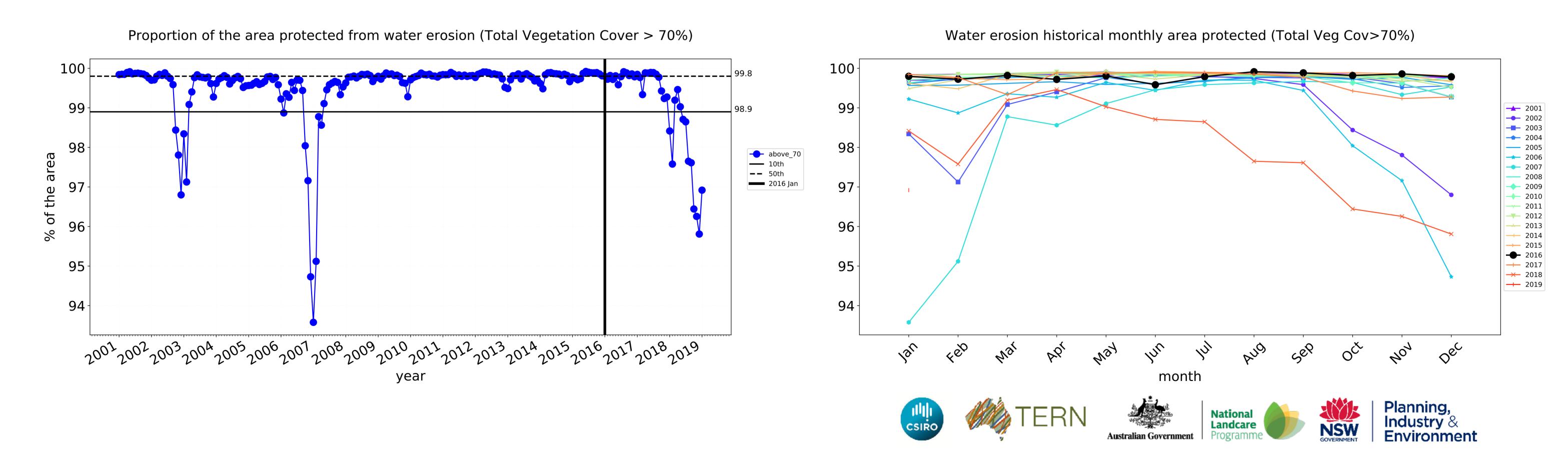


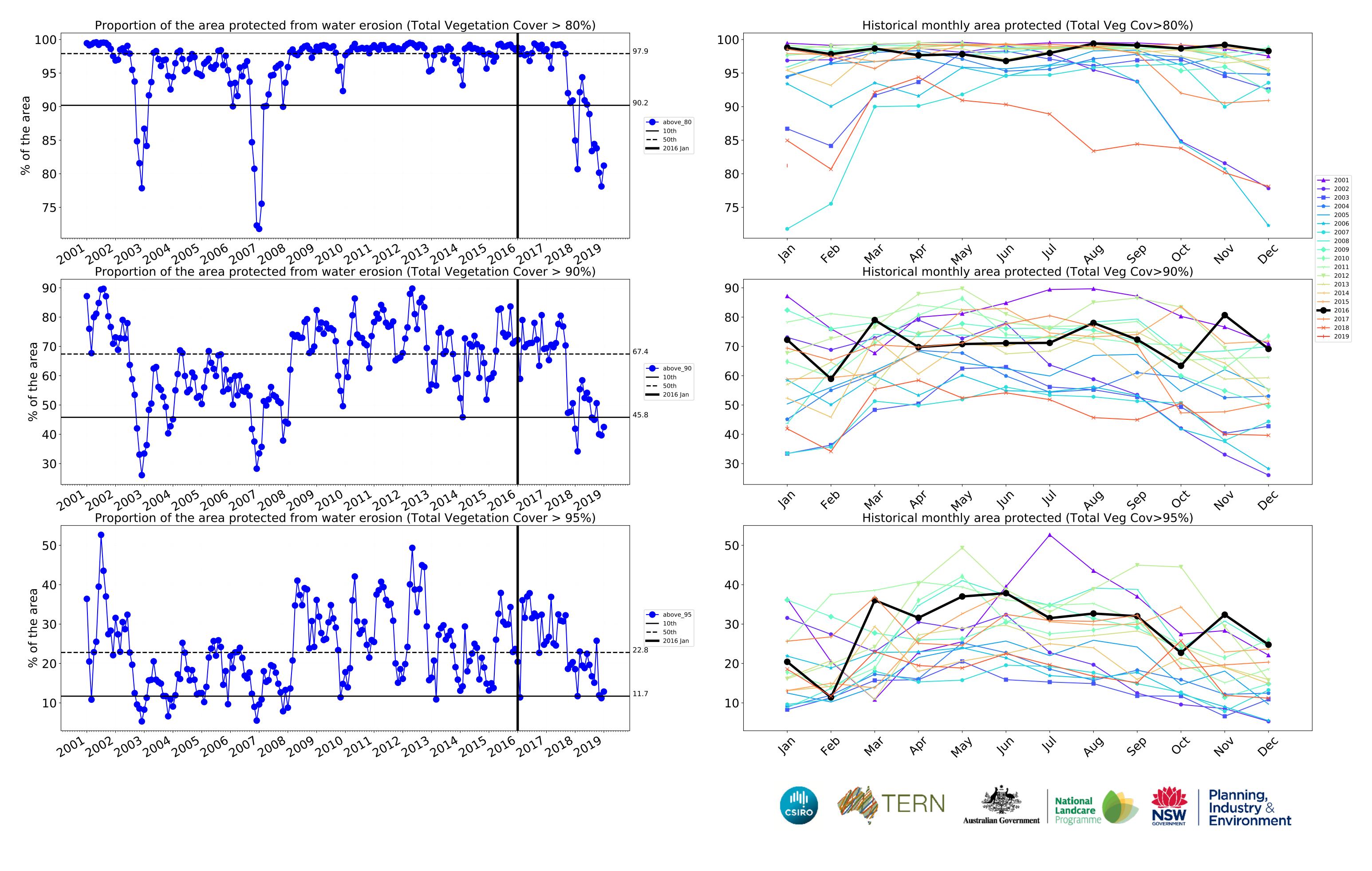




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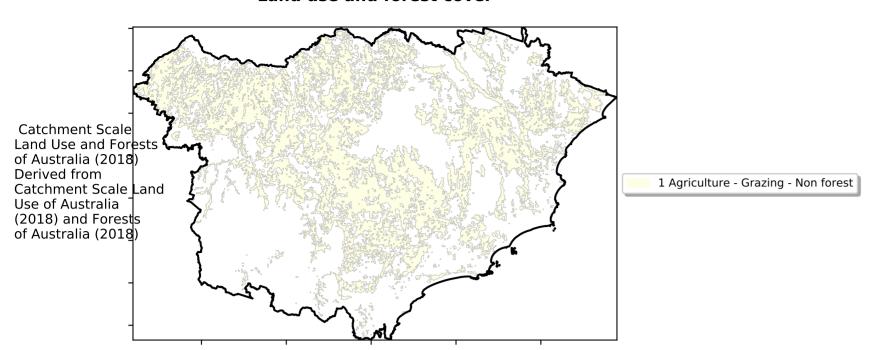




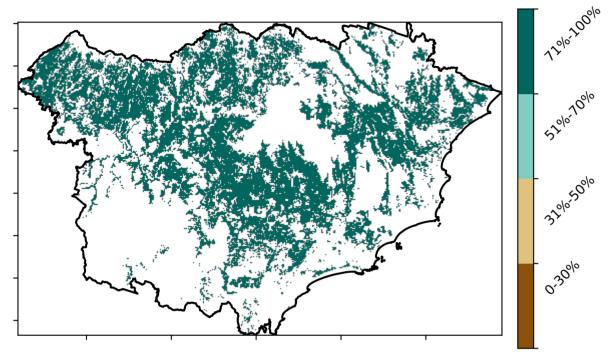


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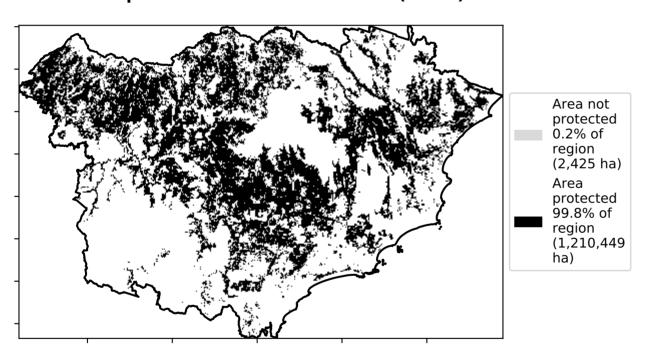
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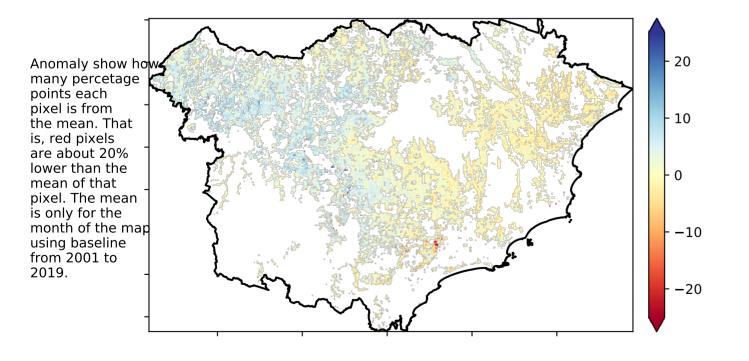
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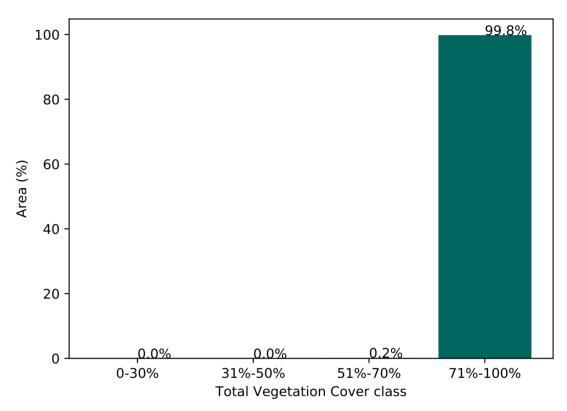


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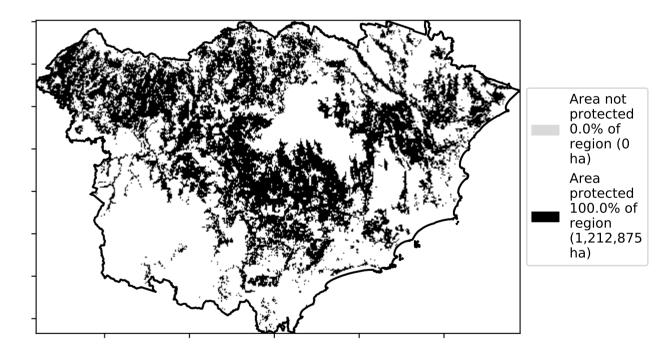


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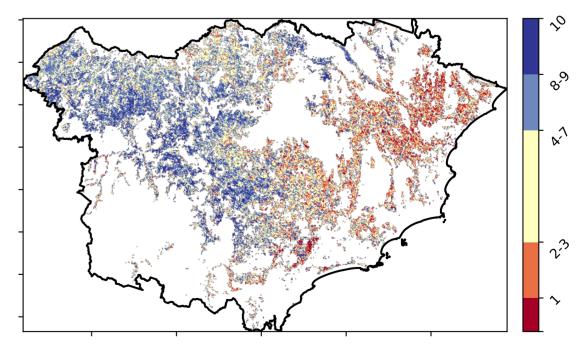
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







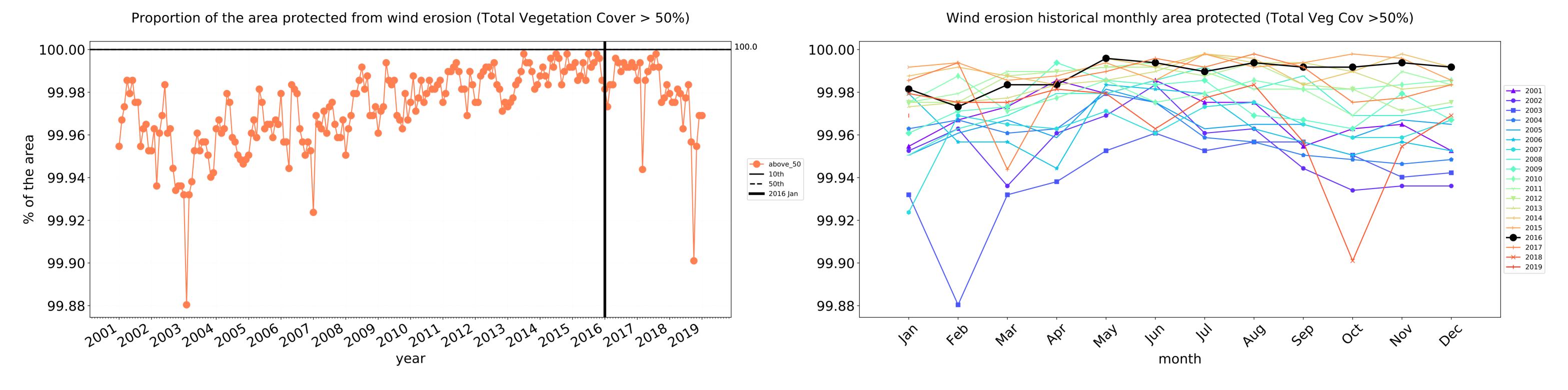


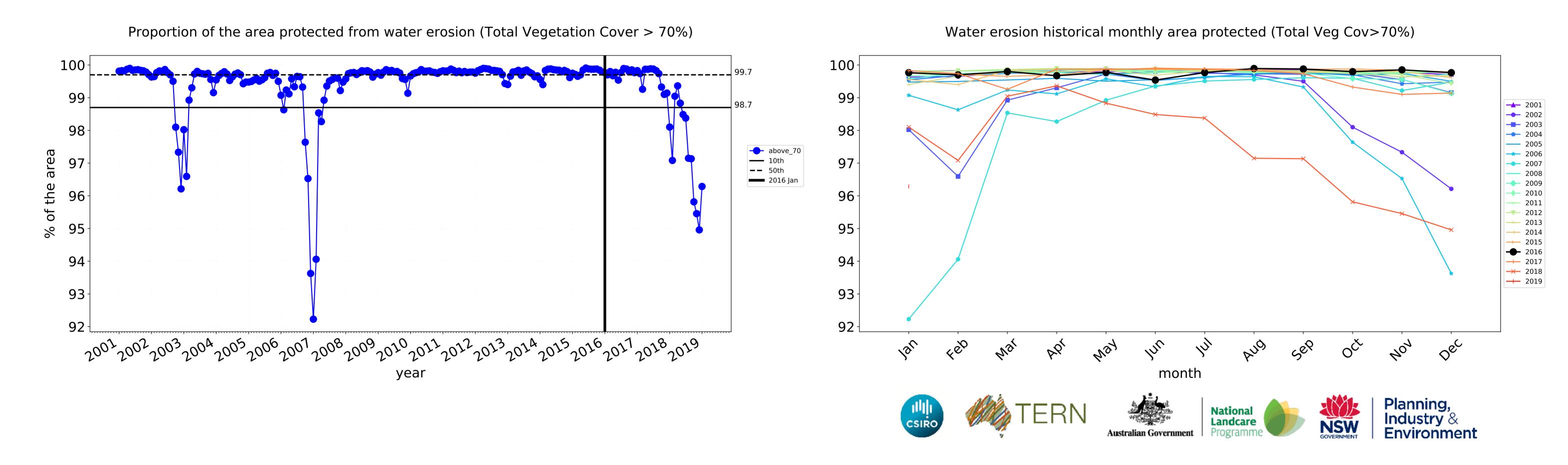


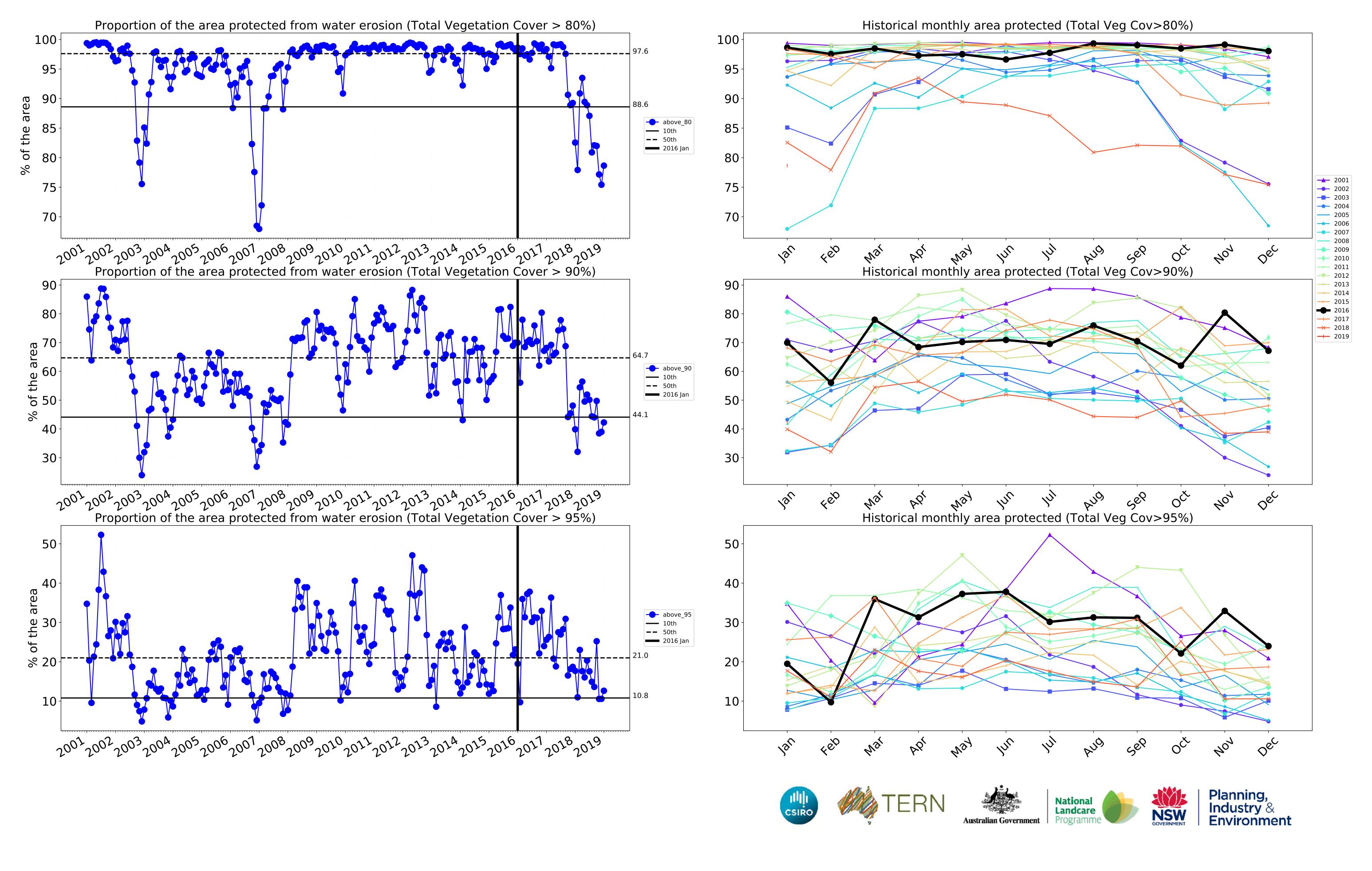




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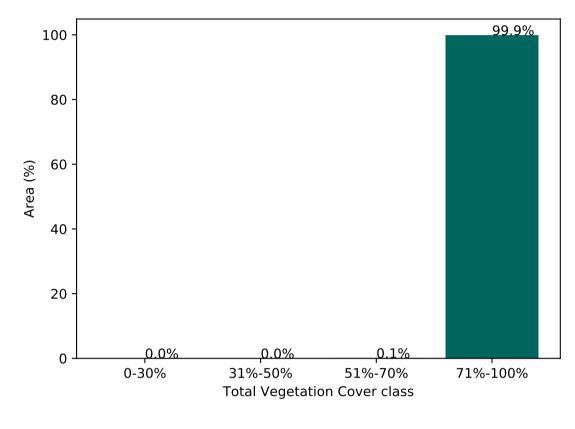




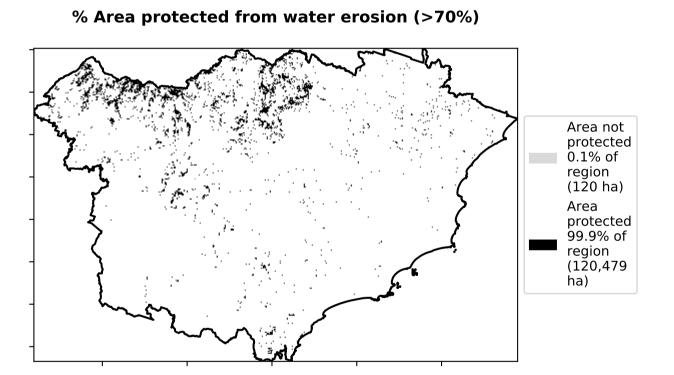
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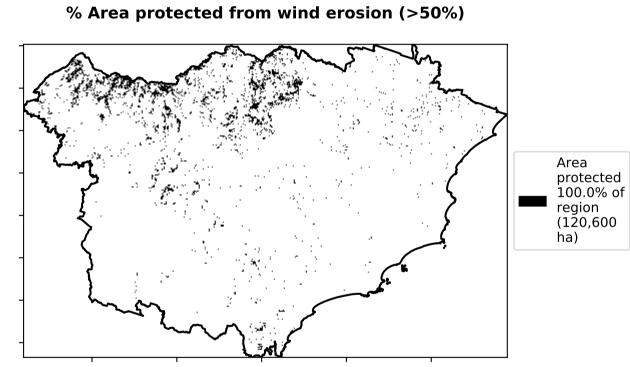
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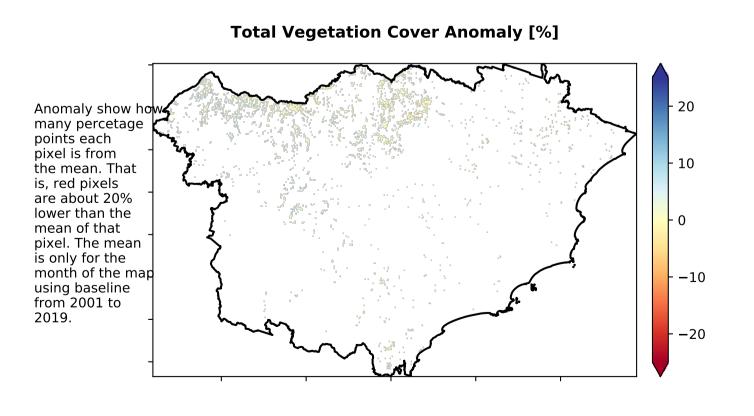
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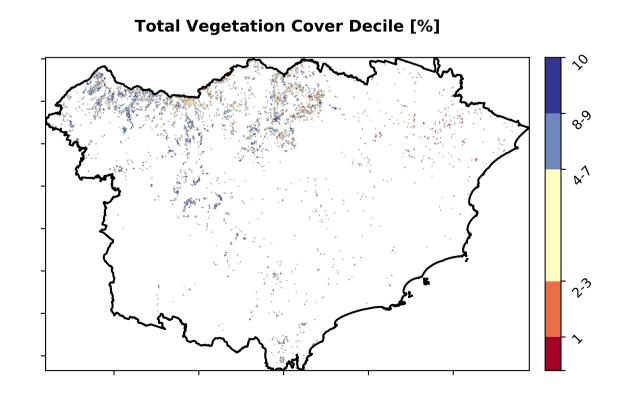


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area













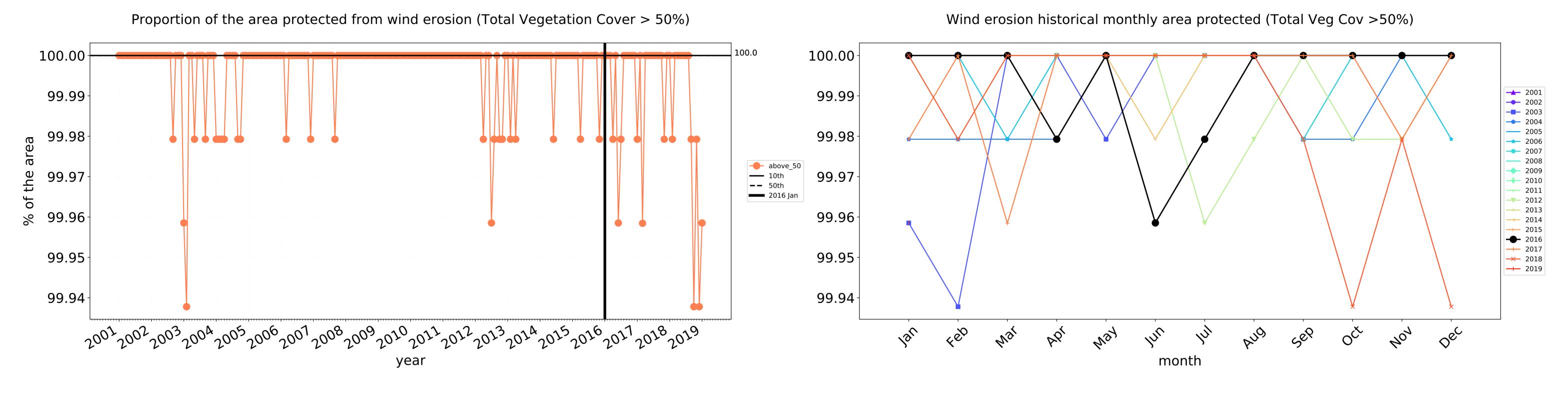


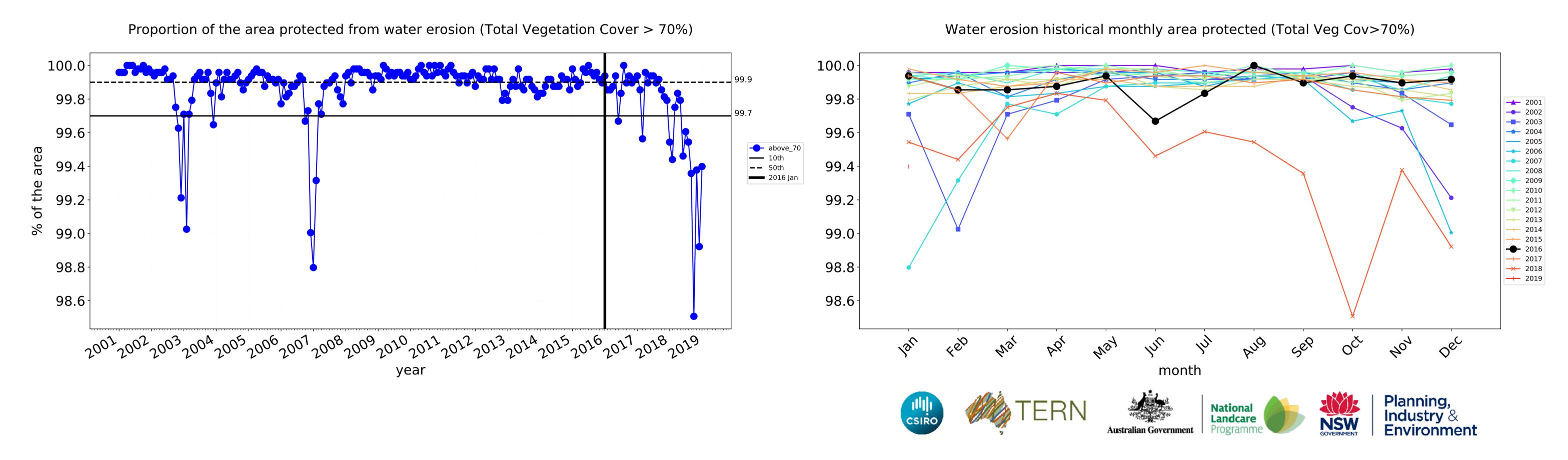


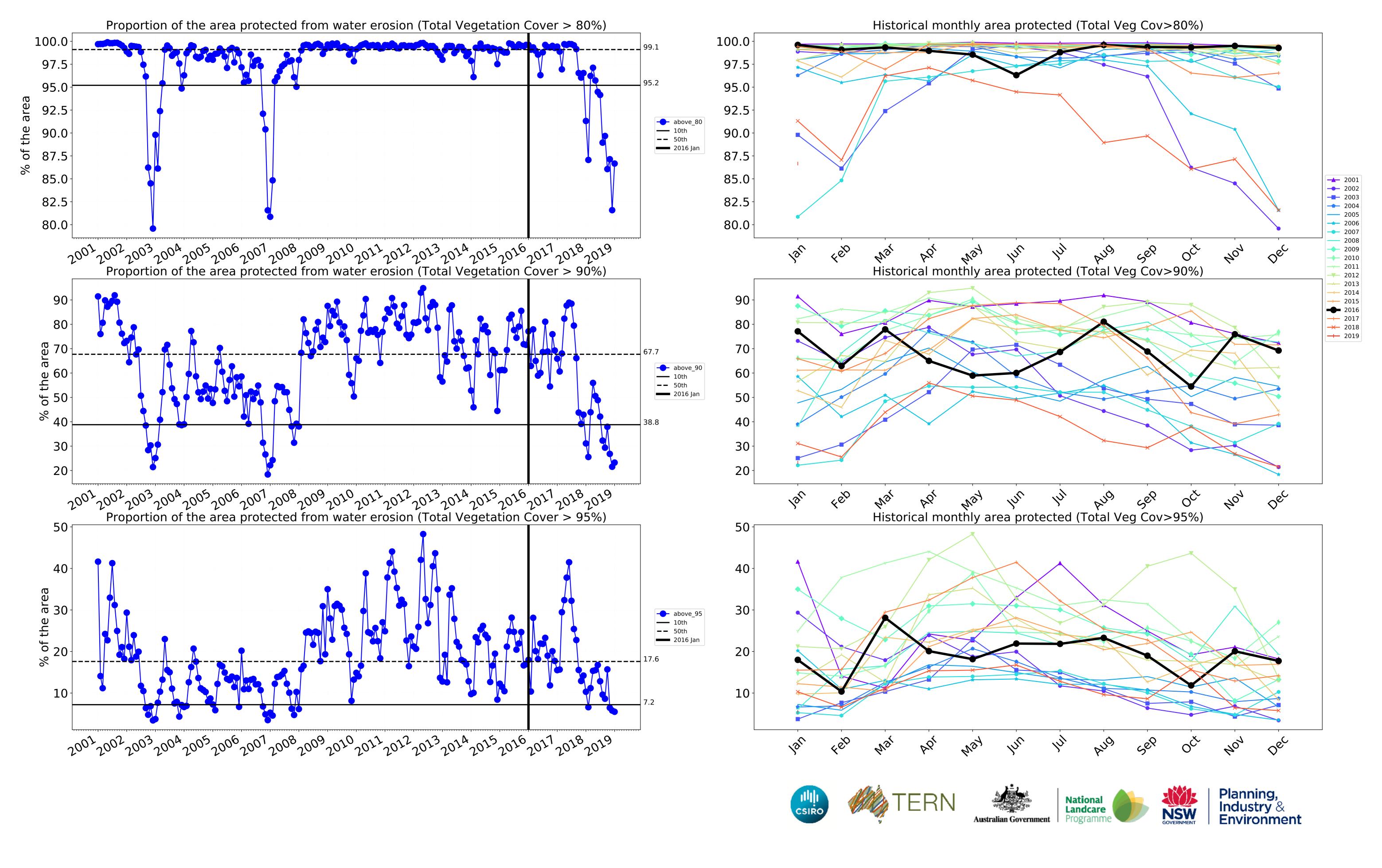




Grazing Woodland forest timeseries





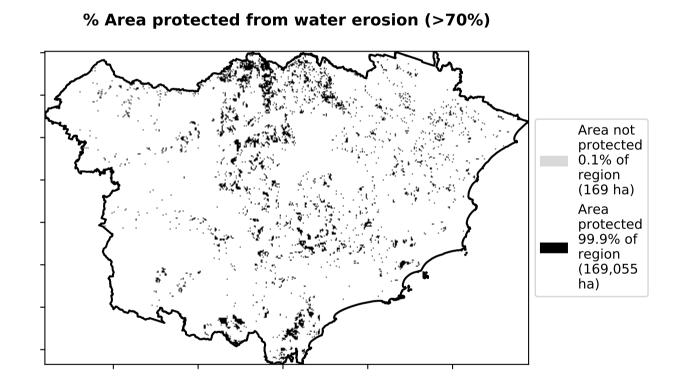


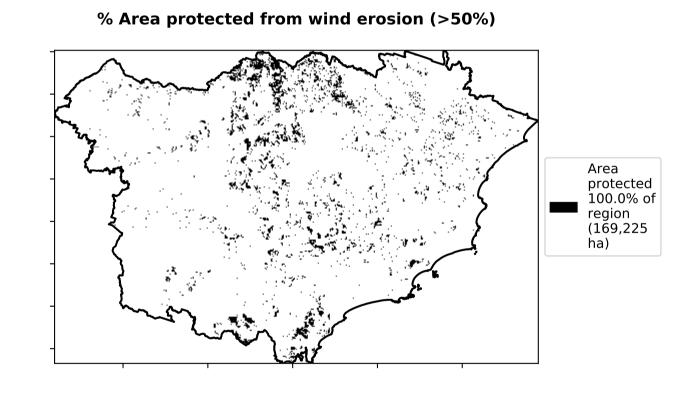
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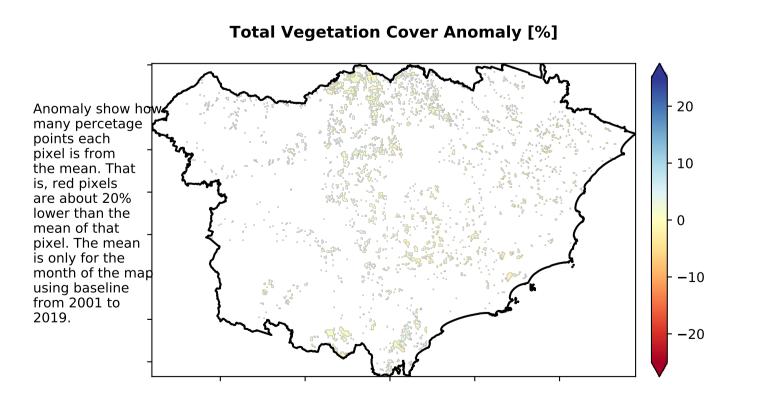
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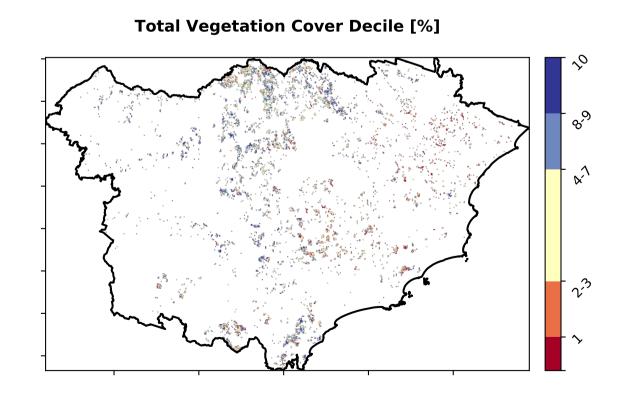
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 99.9% 100 Area (%) 60 40 20 -0.1% 31%-50% 51%-70% 0-30% 71%-100% **Total Vegetation Cover class**











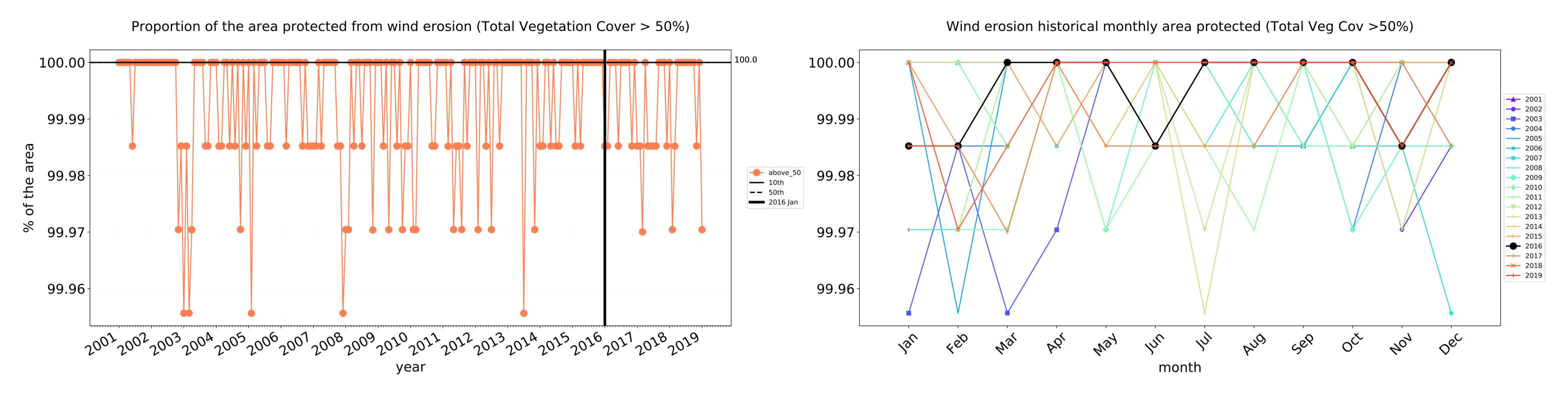


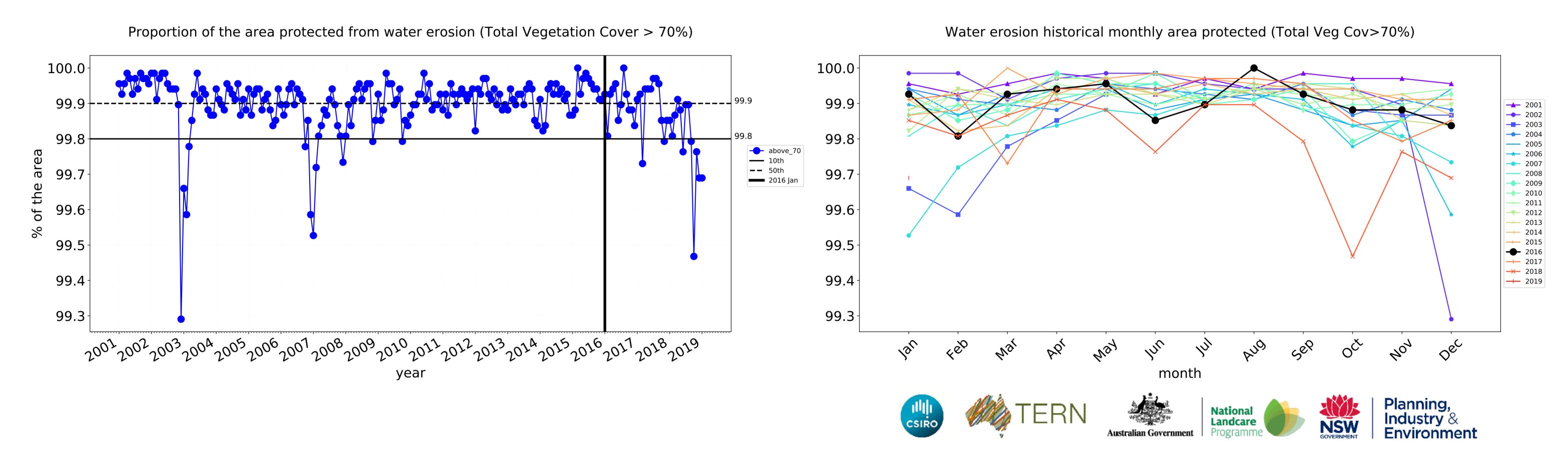


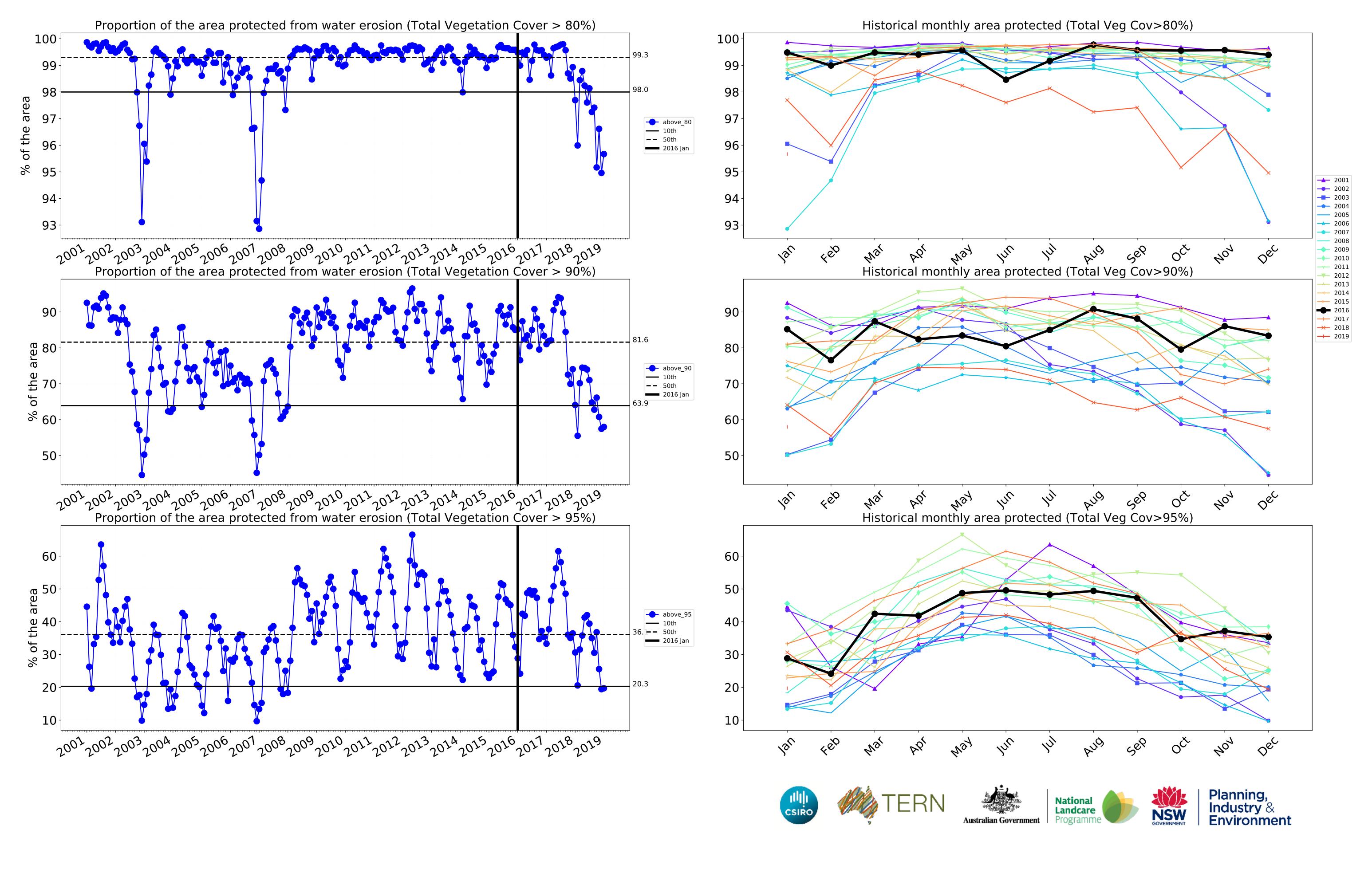






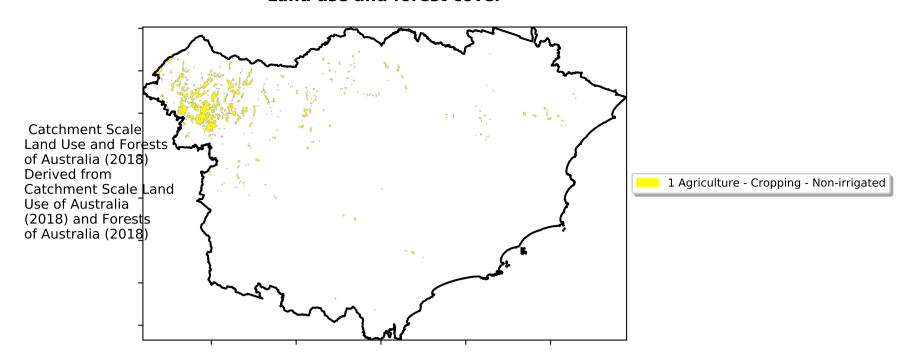




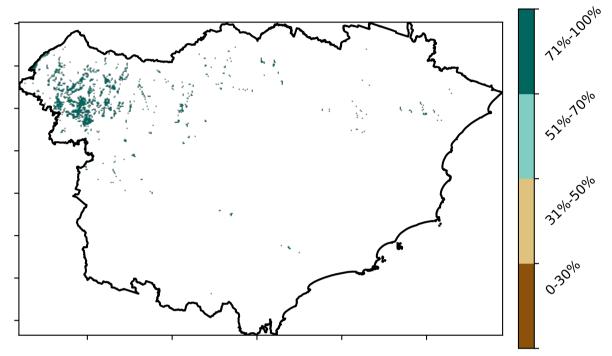


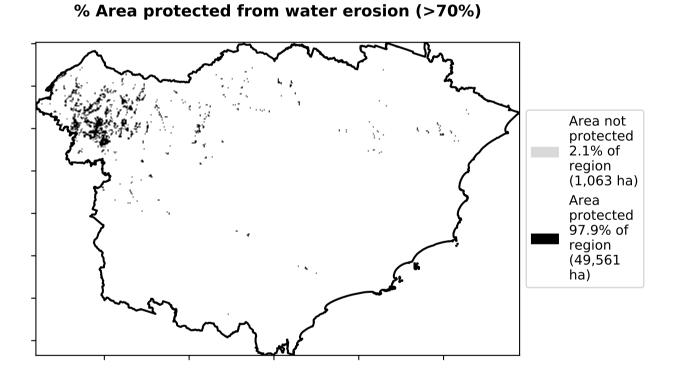
Cropping

Land use and forest cover

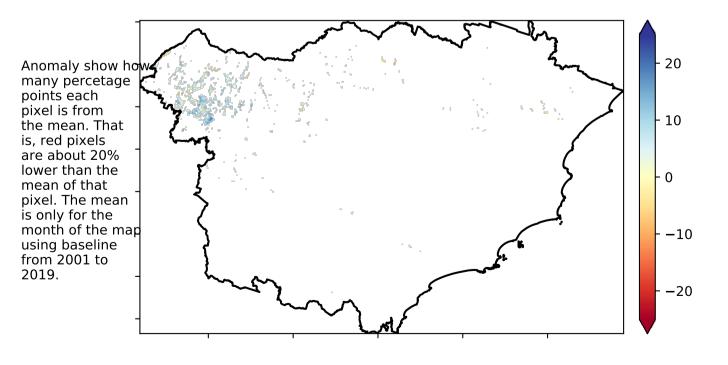


Total Vegetation Cover [%]



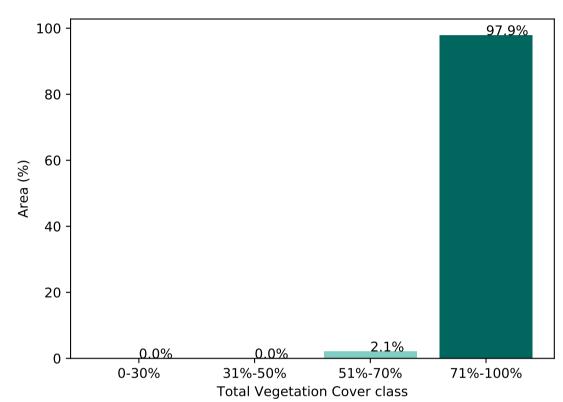


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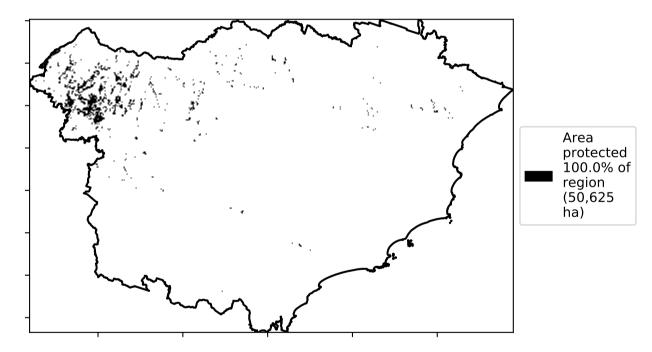


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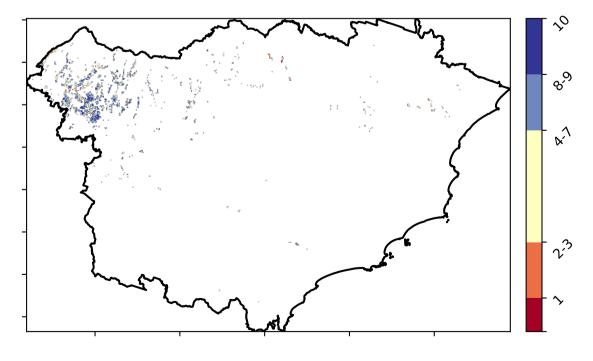
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







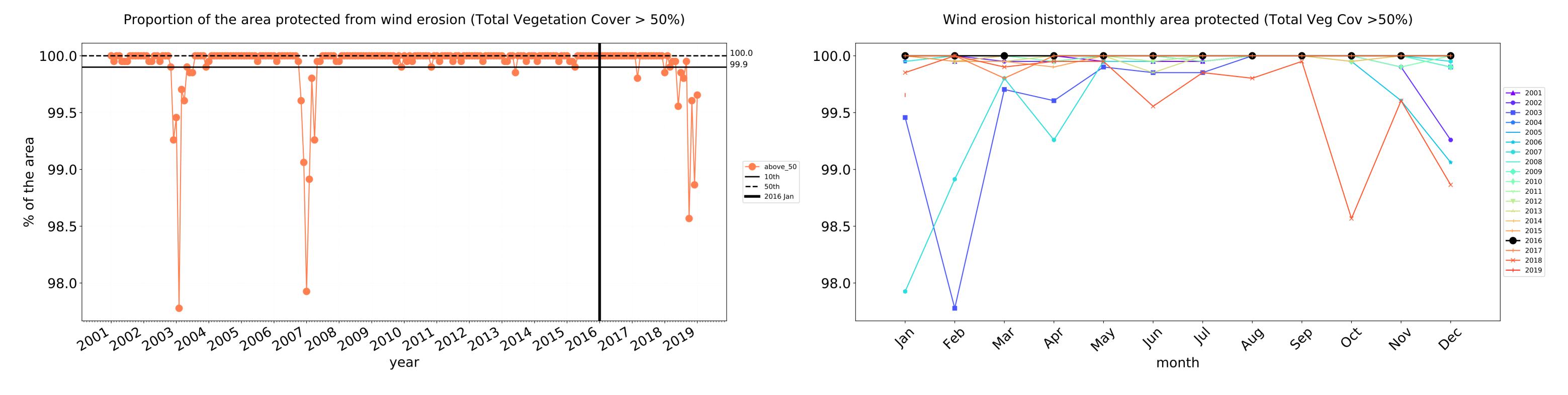


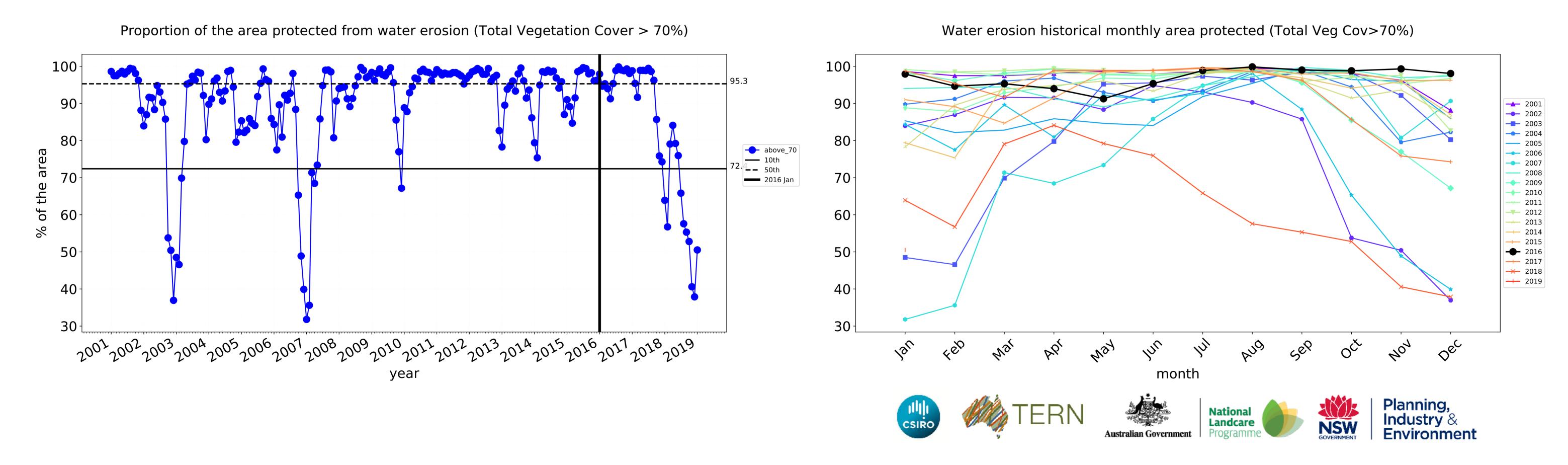


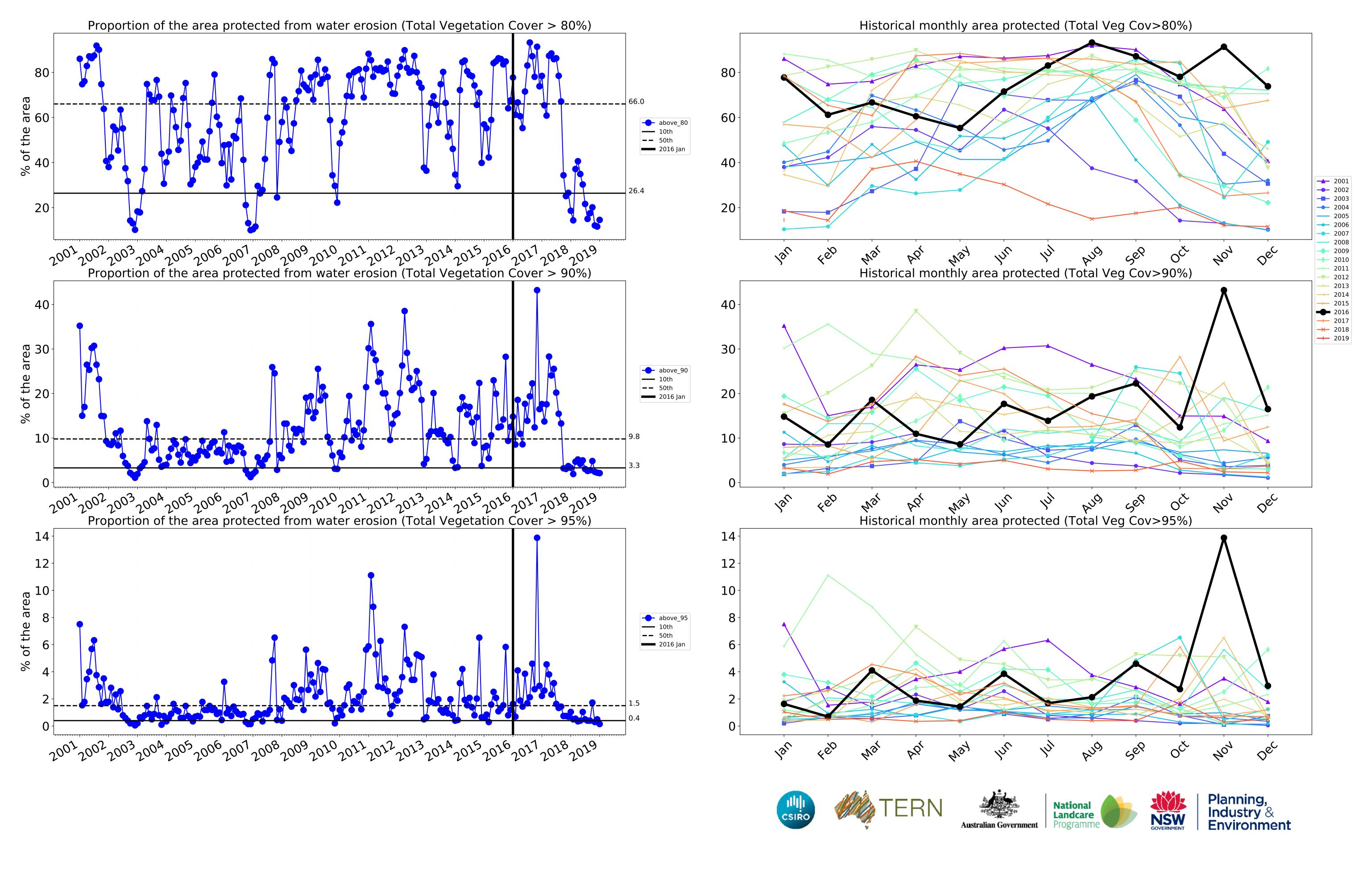




Cropping timeseries





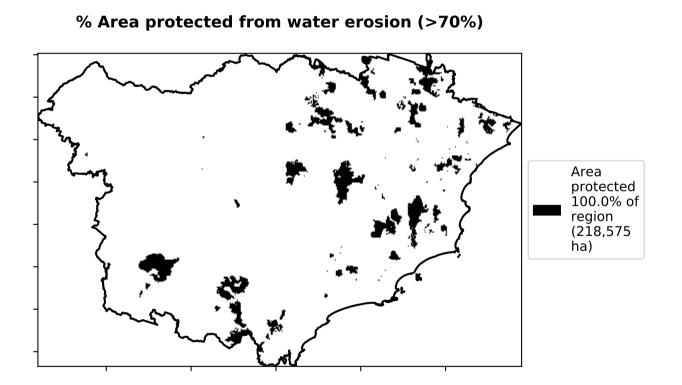


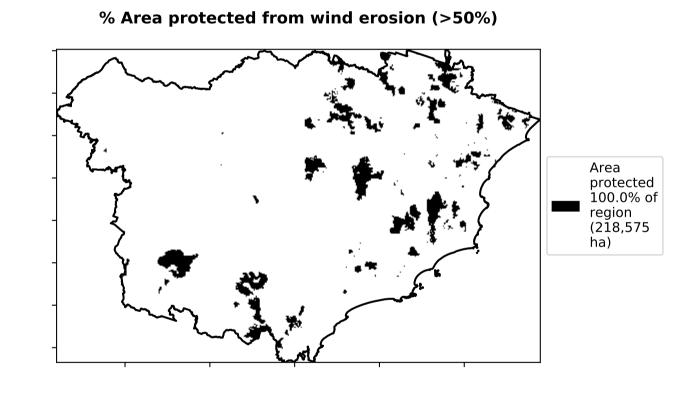
Production native forests and plantation forests

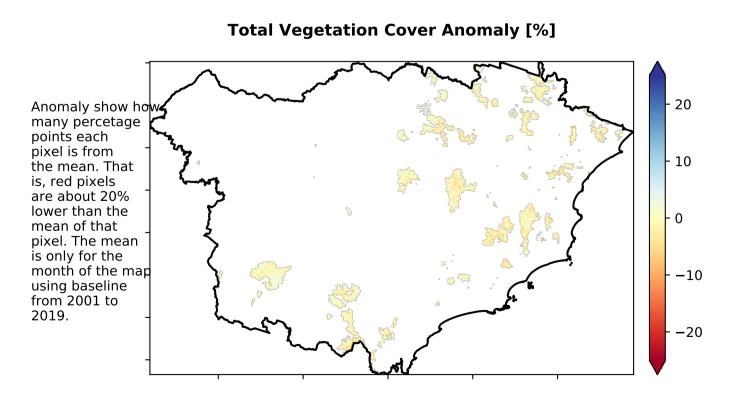
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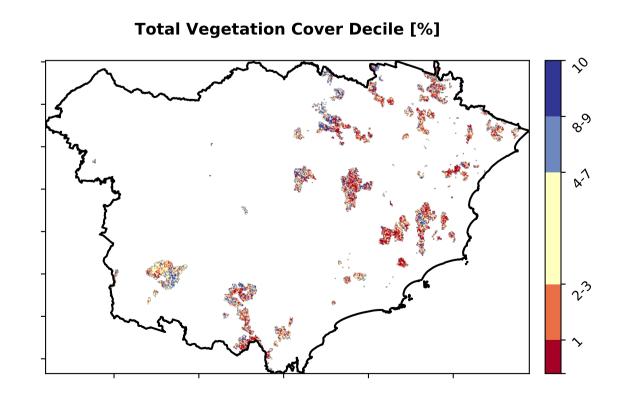
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

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













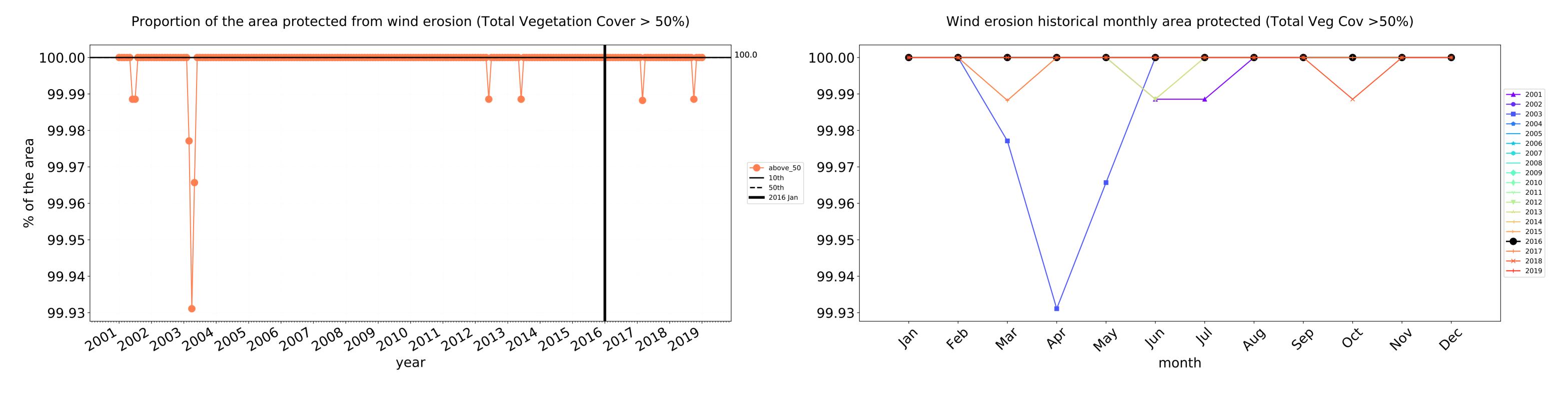


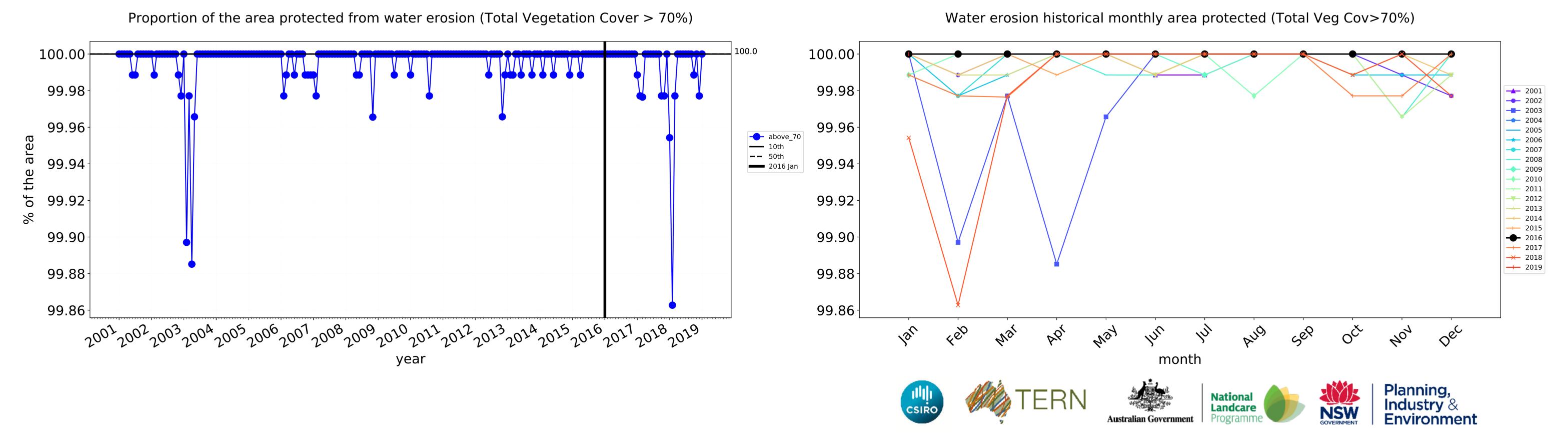


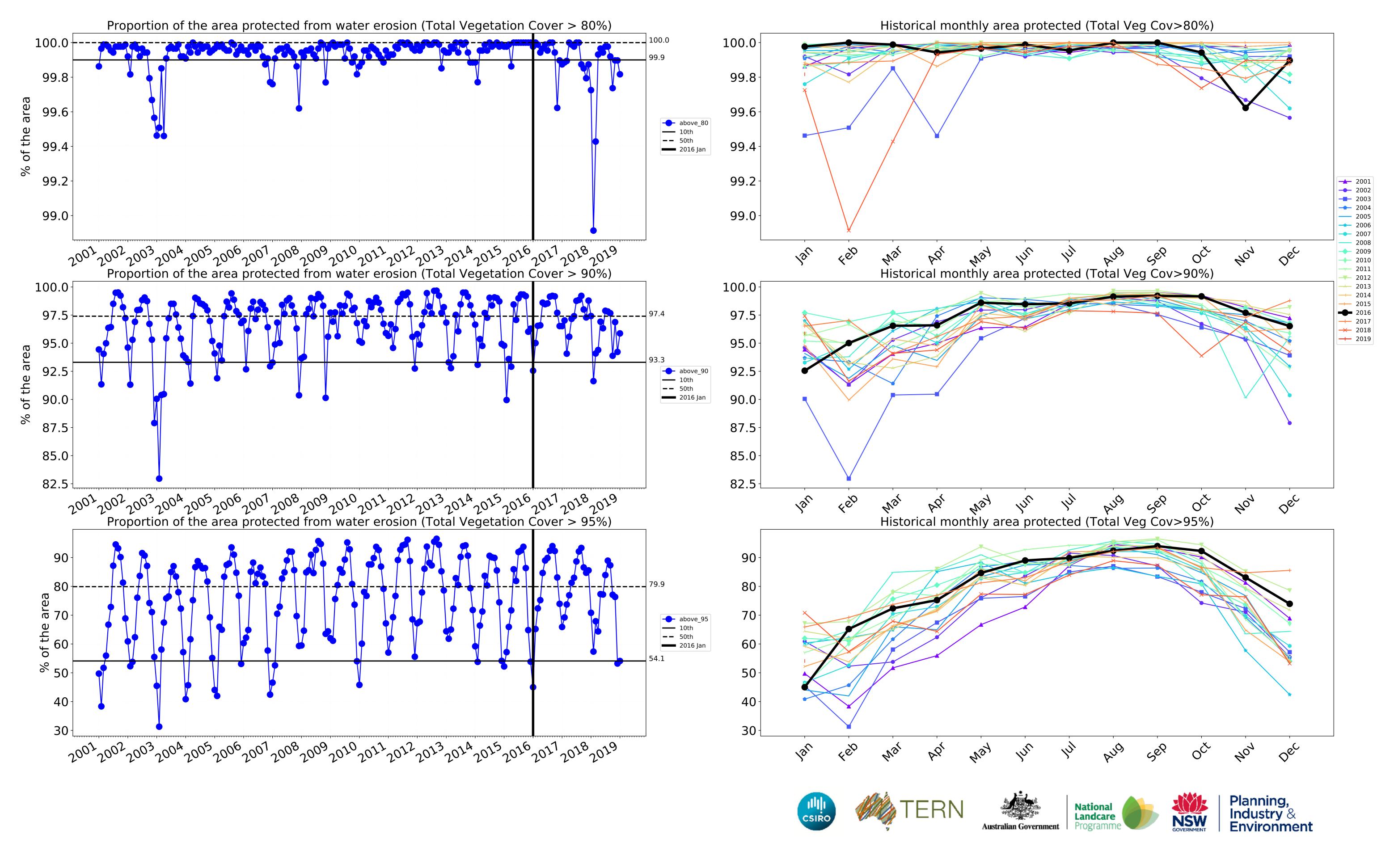




Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries







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% 3,235,053	99.6% 3,226,460	98.6% 3,192,439	96.6% 3,127,219	76.0% 2,463,158	28.6% 926,962
Conservation and natural environments	1,241,475	99.9% 1,240,225	99.8% 1,239,450	99.7% 1,237,325	99.2% 1,232,125	88.6% 1,100,375	40.6% 503,800
Conservation and natural environments non forest	30,250	96.0% 29,050	94.0% 28,450	90.1% 27,250	84.9% 25,675	62.8% 19,000	23.9% 7,225
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	138,825	100.0% 138,800	100.0% 138,775	99.9% 138,725	99.7% 138,425	90.4% 125,500	38.9% 53,950
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	1,072,400	100.0% 1,072,375	100.0% 1,072,225	99.9% 1,071,350	99.6% 1,068,025	89.1% 955,875	41.3% 442,625
Agriculture	1,580,700	100.0% 1,580,675	100.0% 1,580,450	99.7% 1,576,525	98.0% 1,549,125	69.6% 1,100,000	19.5% 308,875
Grazing	1,502,700	100.0% 1,502,675	100.0% 1,502,450	99.8% 1,499,650	98.8% 1,484,550	72.3% 1,085,825	20.4% 306,950
Grazing non forest	1,212,875	100.0% 1,212,850	100.0% 1,212,650	99.8% 1,210,025	98.6% 1,196,075	70.0% 848,650	19.5% 236,425
Grazing Woodland forest	120,600	100.0% 120,600	100.0% 120,600	99.9% 120,525	99.6% 120,125	77.1% 93,000	18.0% 21,700
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	169,225	100.0% 169,225	100.0% 169,200	99.9% 169,100	99.5% 168,350	85.2% 144,175	28.9% 48,825
Cropping	50,625	100.0% 50,625	100.0% 50,625	97.9% 49,575	77.7% 39,350	14.8% 7,500	1.6% 825
Production native forests and plantation forests	218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,525	92.6% 202,300	45.0% 98,350











