Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Hunter NSW

This report describes vegetation protecting the soil surface from erosion during a chosen month compared to previous years. This report has been generated using MODIS fractional vegetation cover information available in Rangelands and Pasture Productivity (RAPP) map tool https://map.geo-rapp.org/#australia. The report is based on 500 metre pixel data on monthly time steps.

Land use forest cover:

Date: September 2021

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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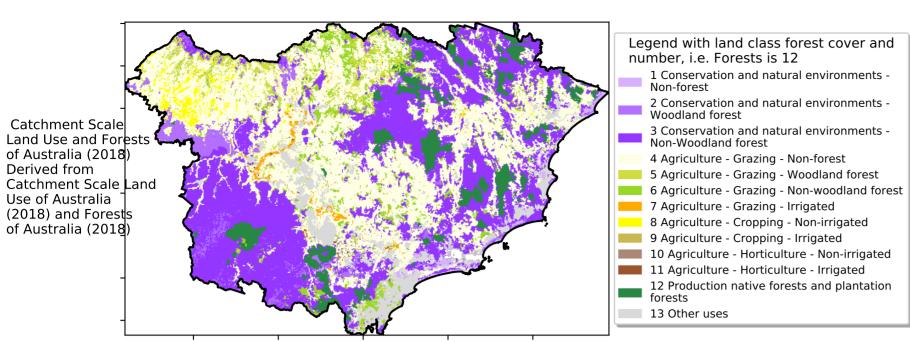




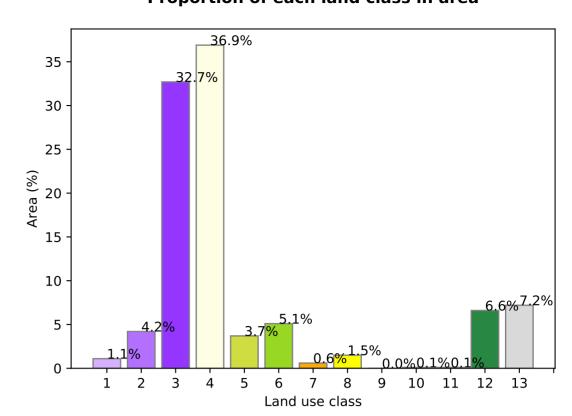


Vegetation Cover Sep 2021

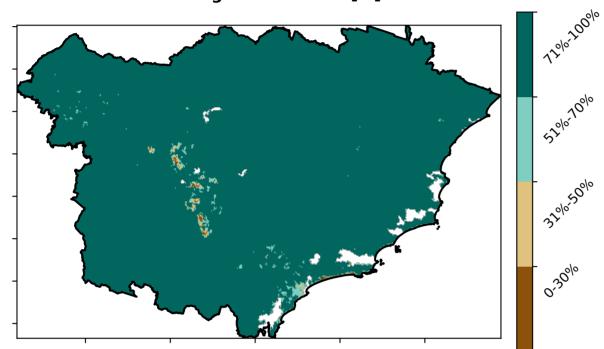
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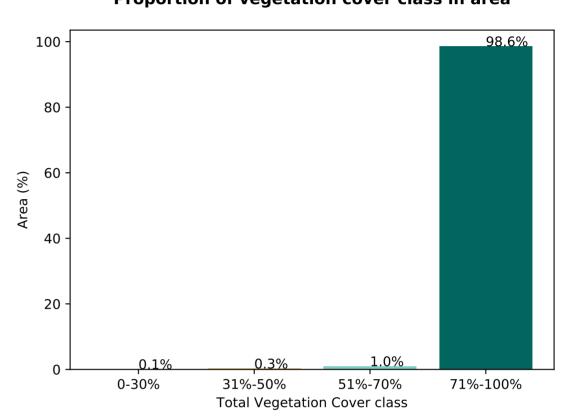
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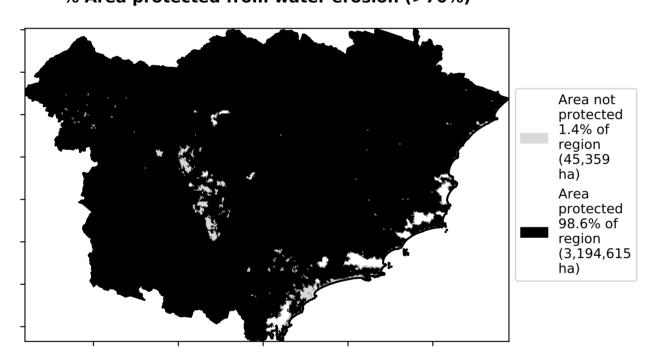
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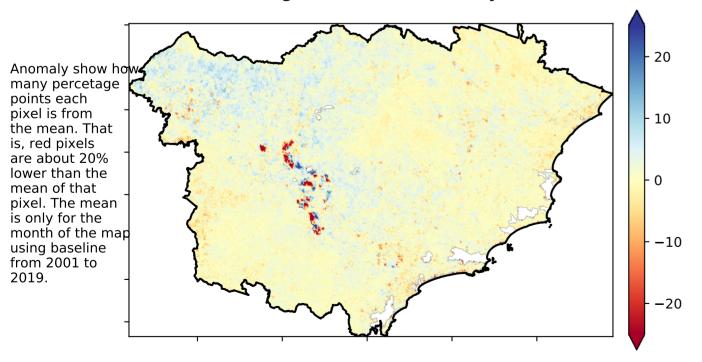
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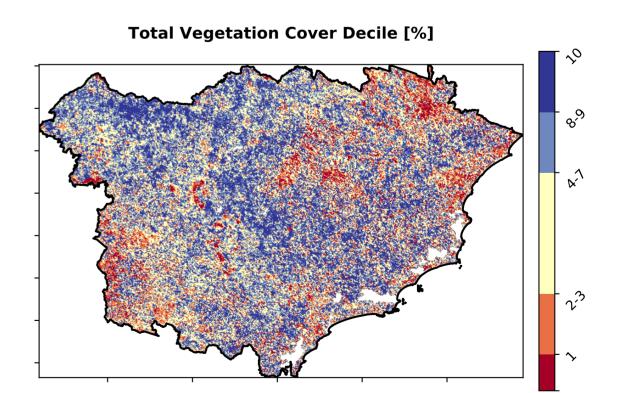


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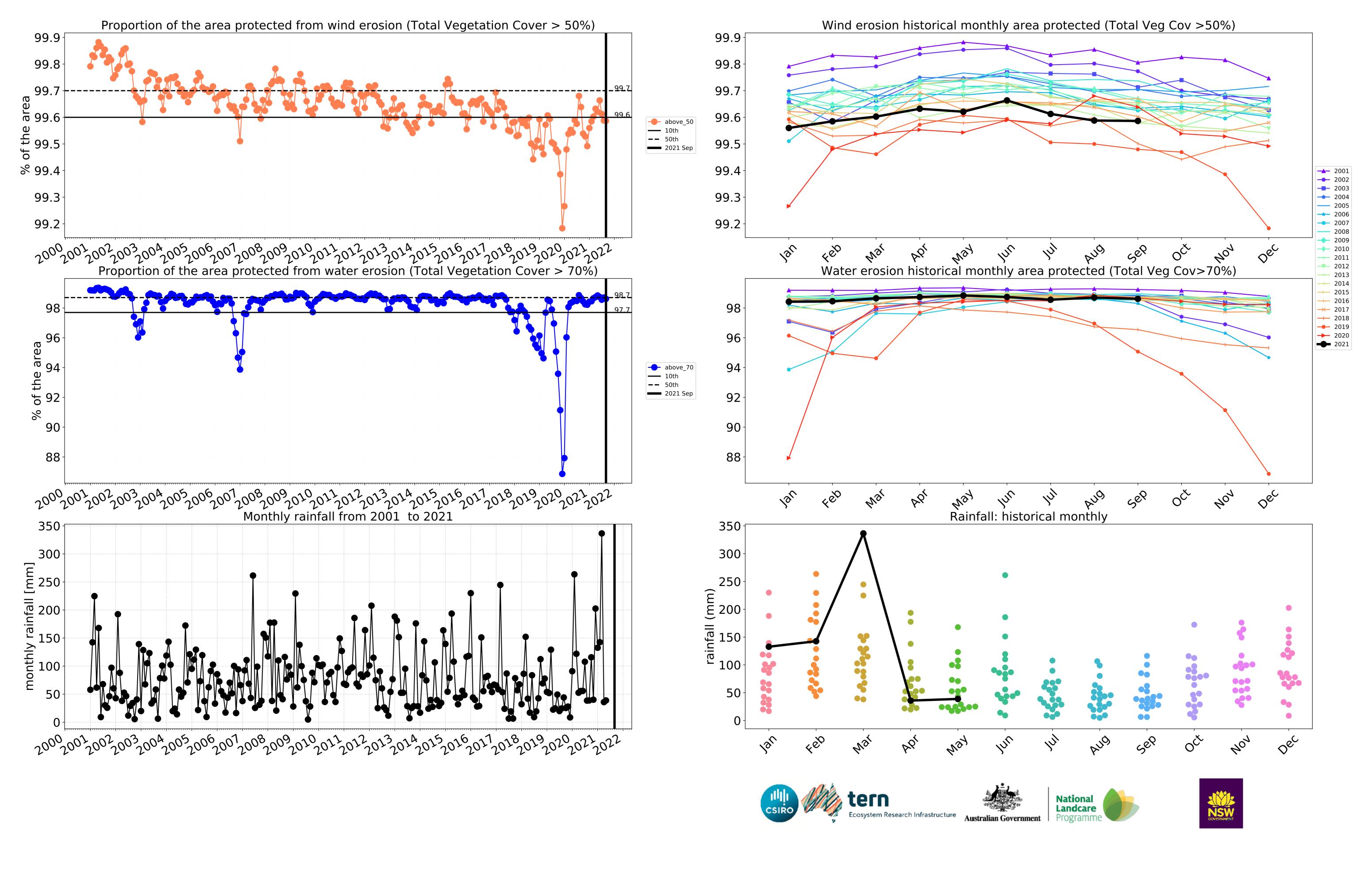




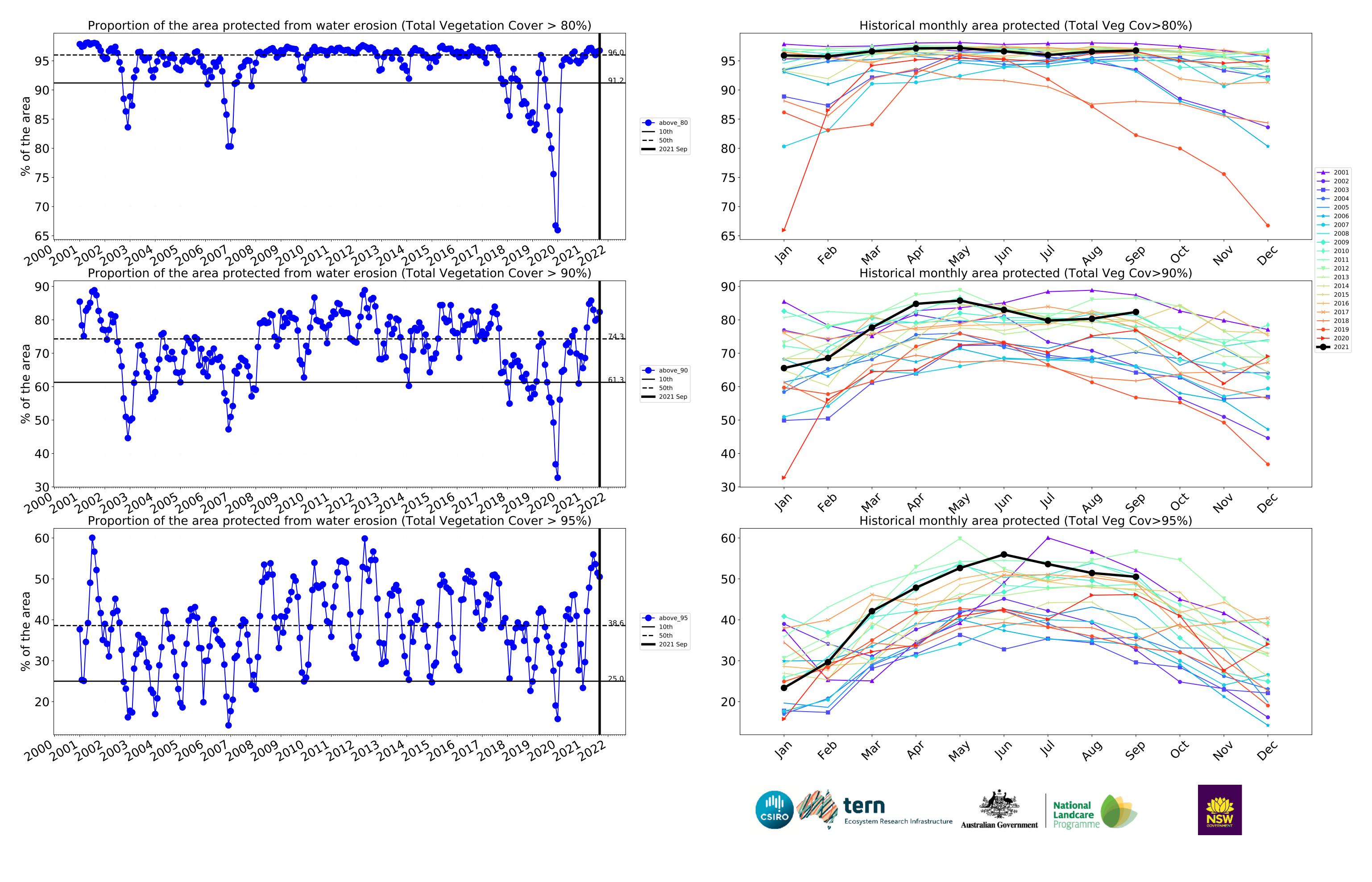




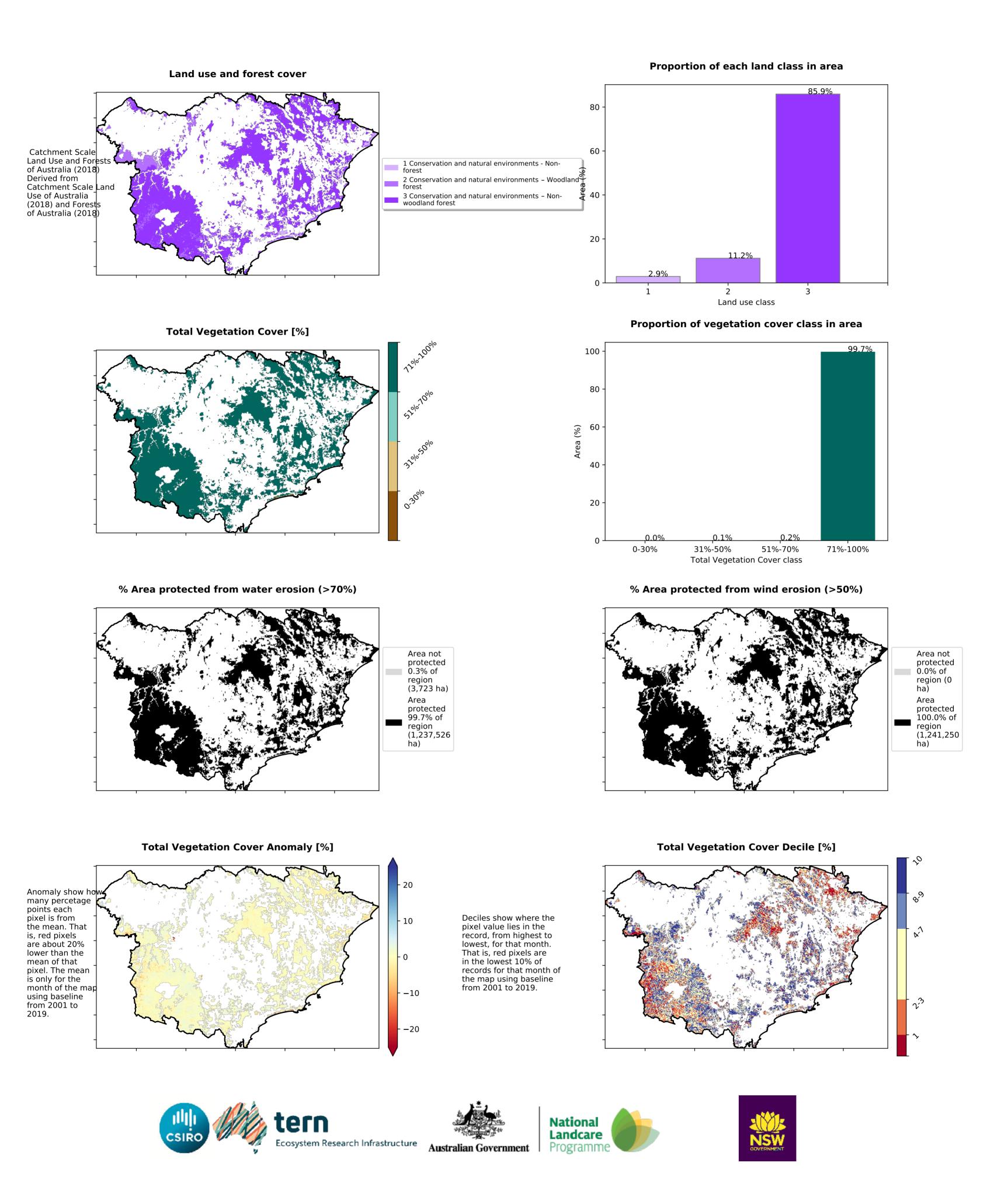




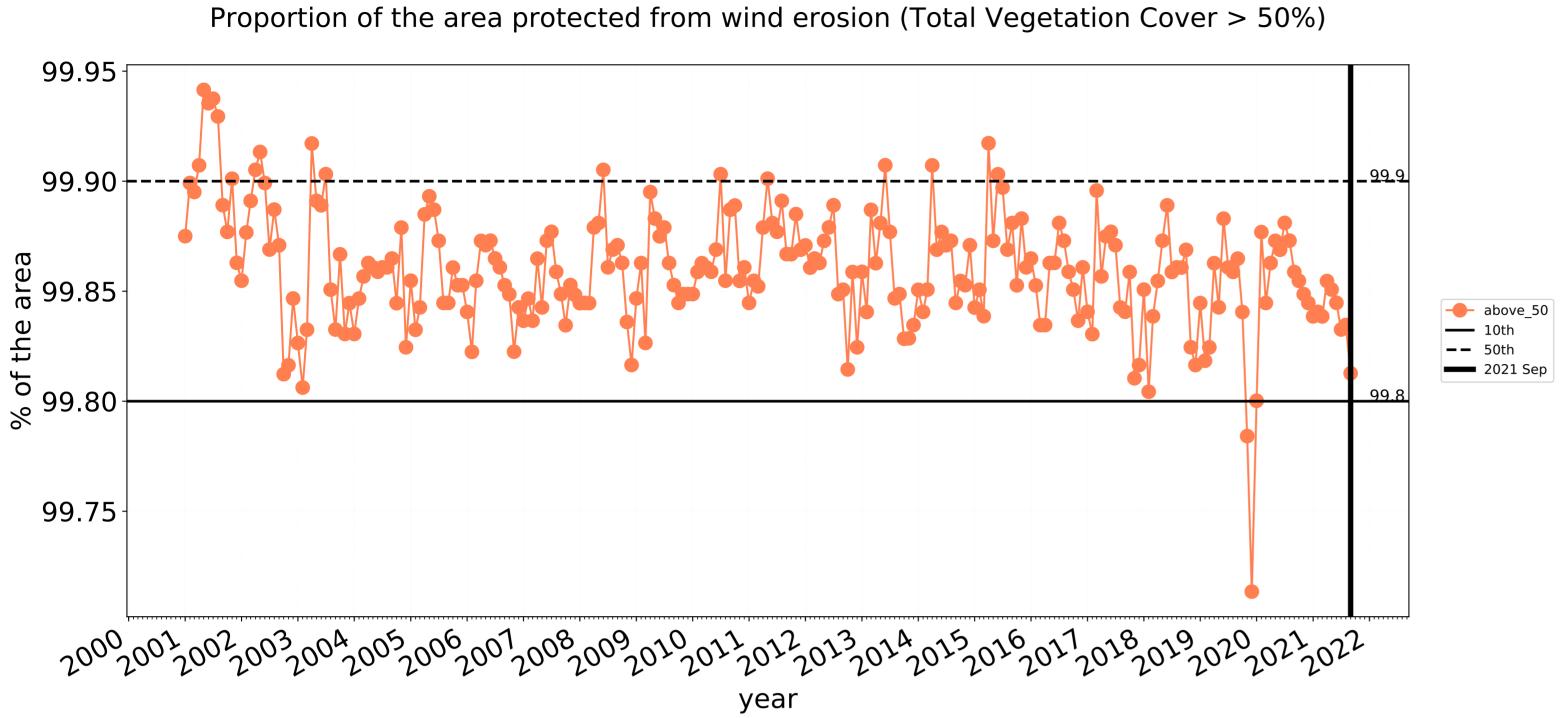
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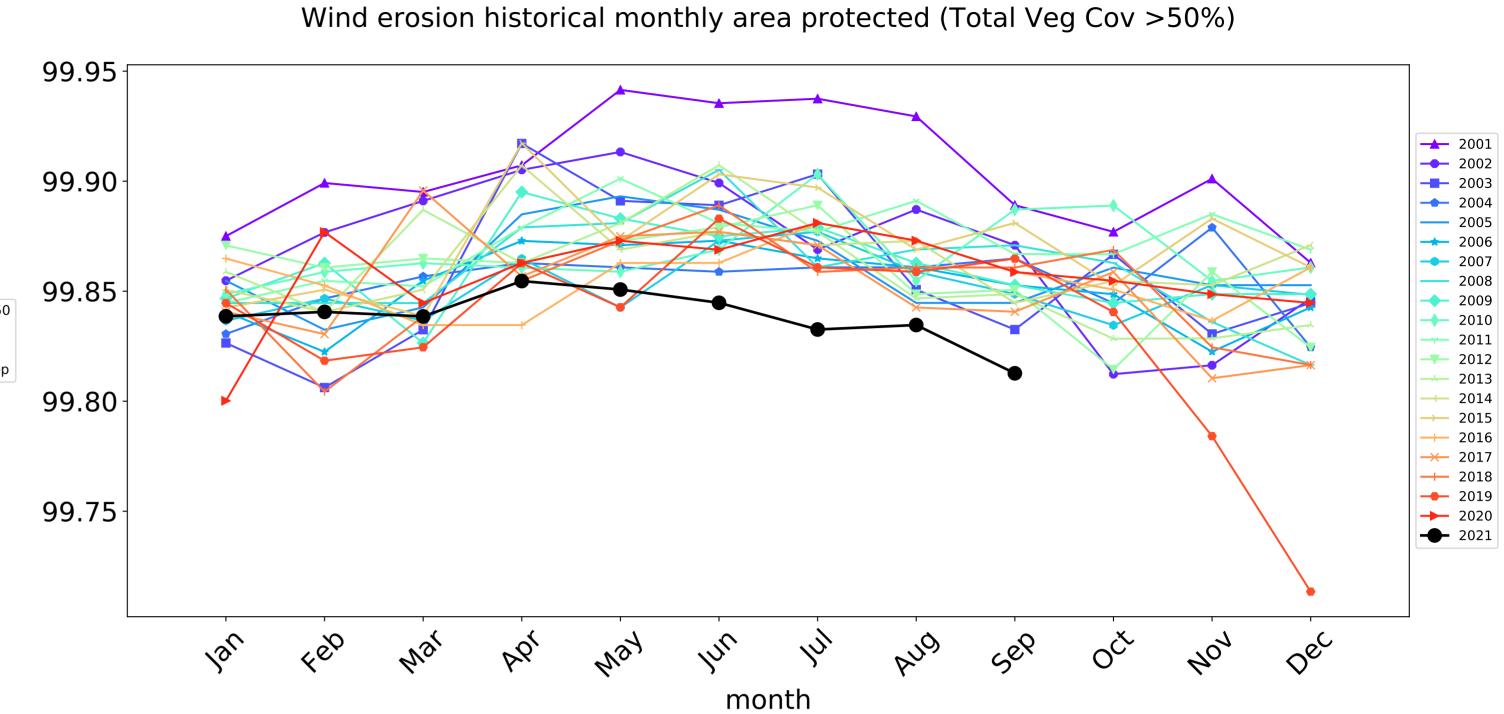


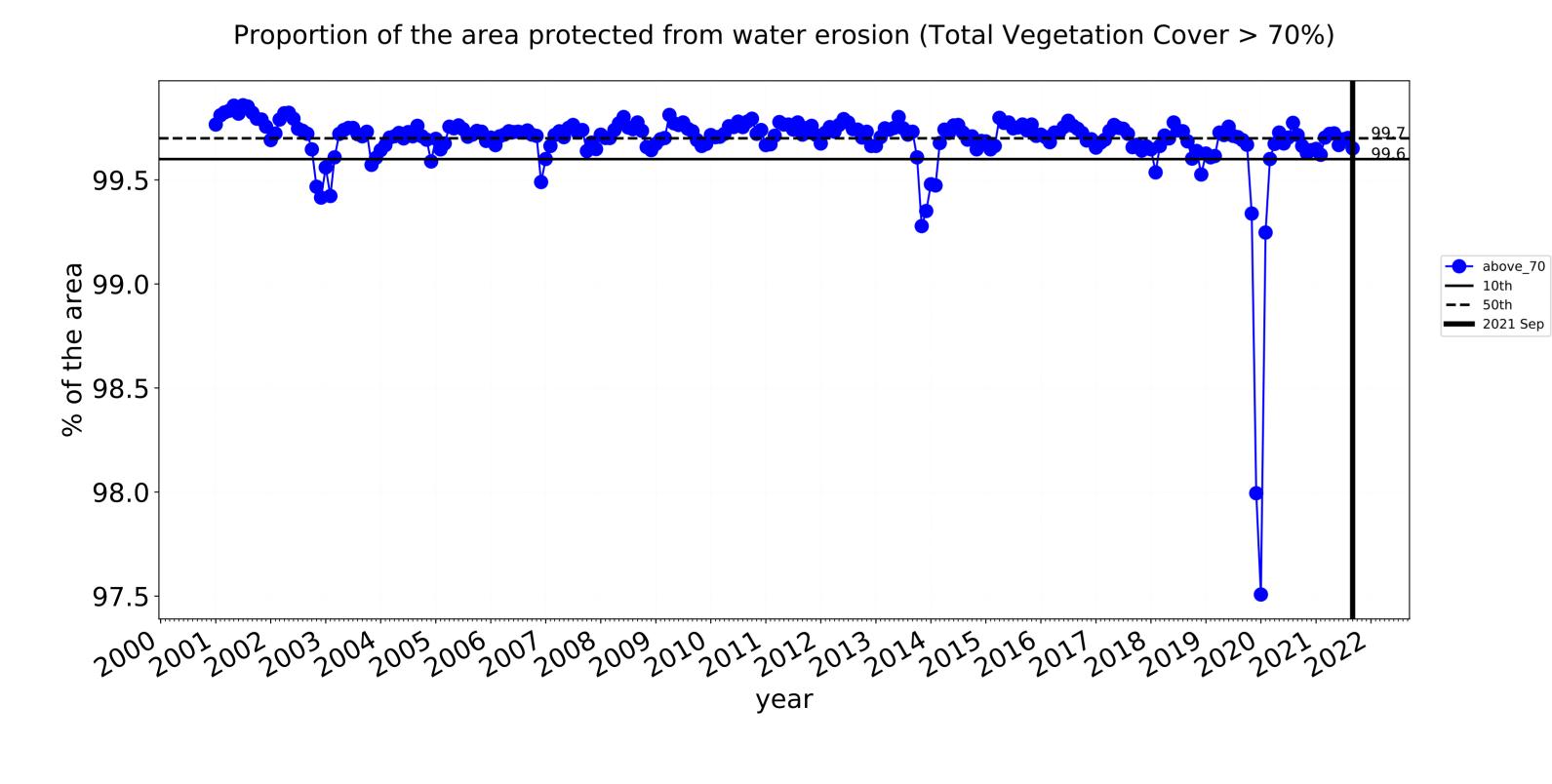
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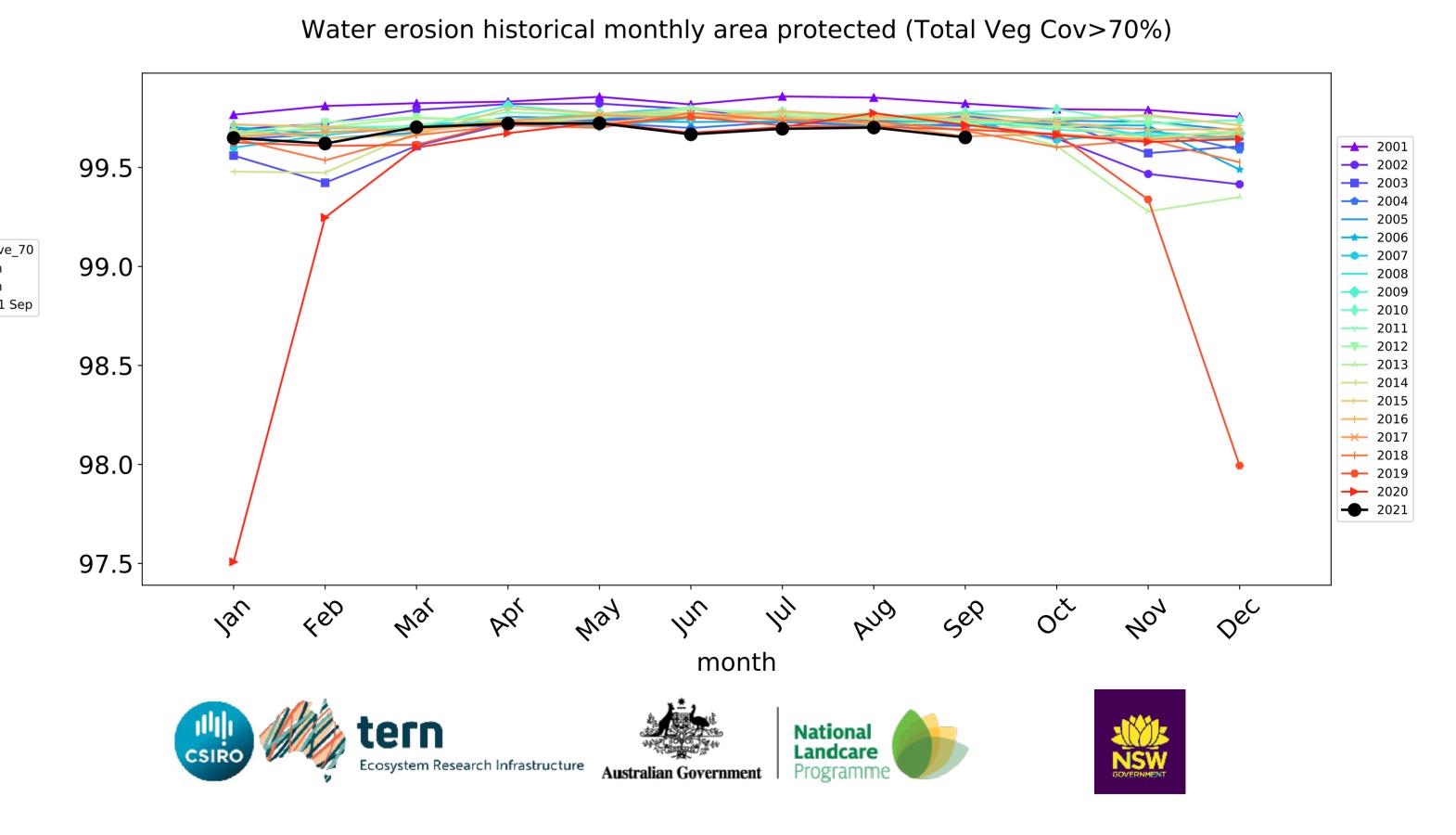


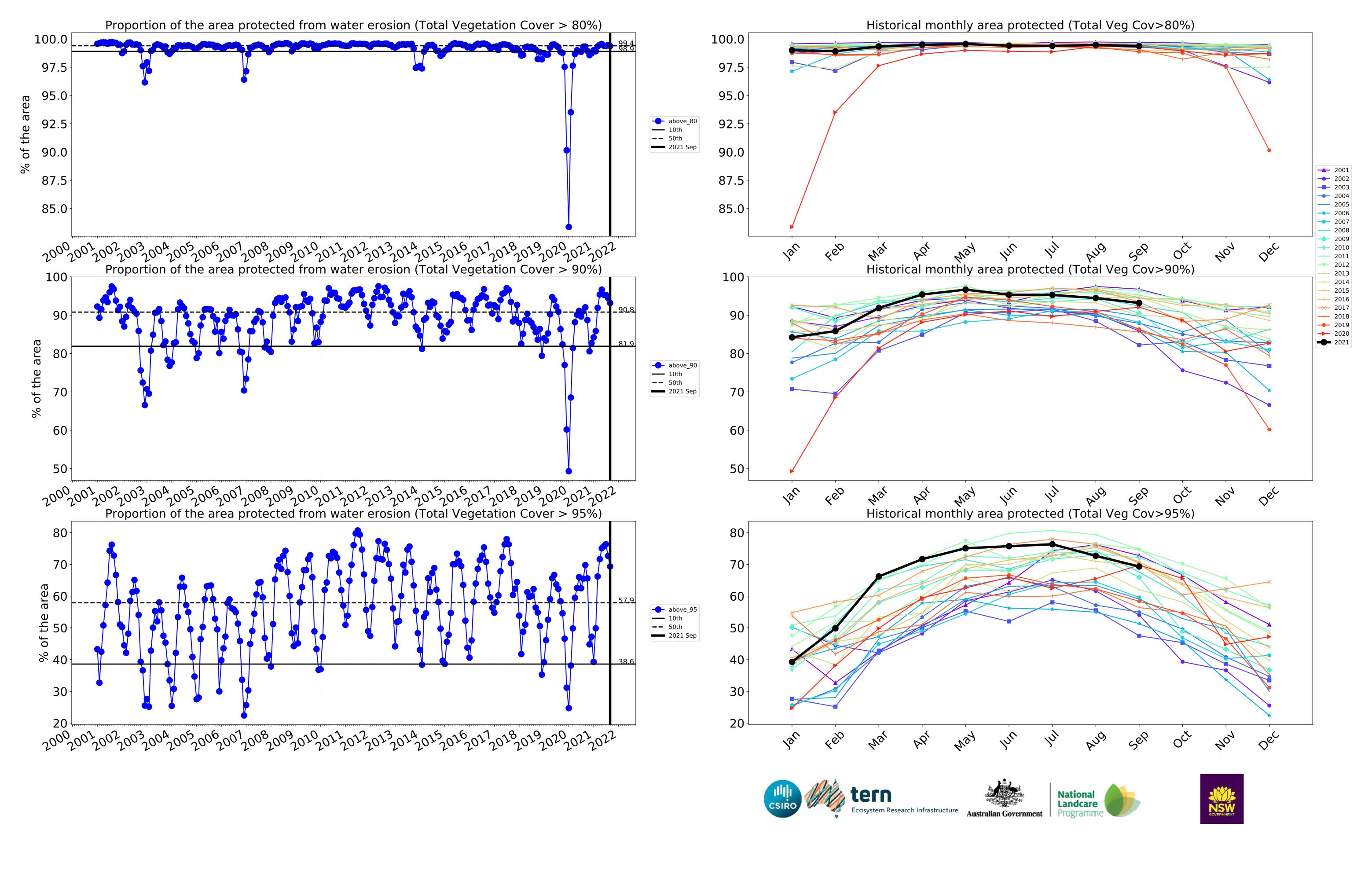
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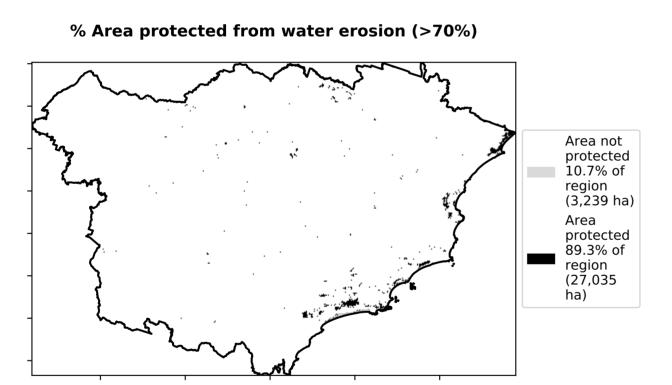


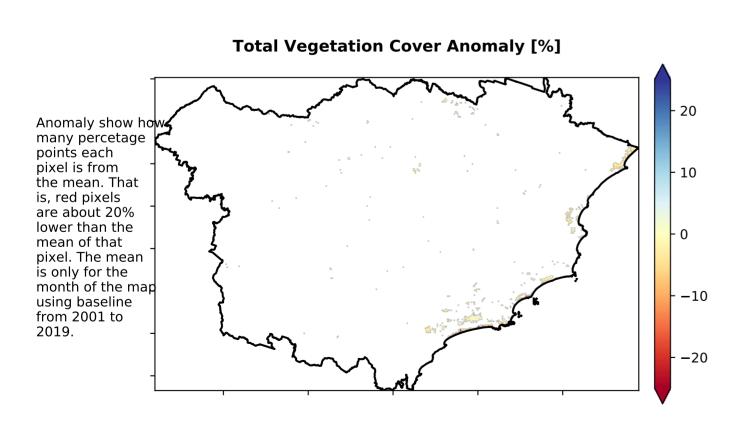


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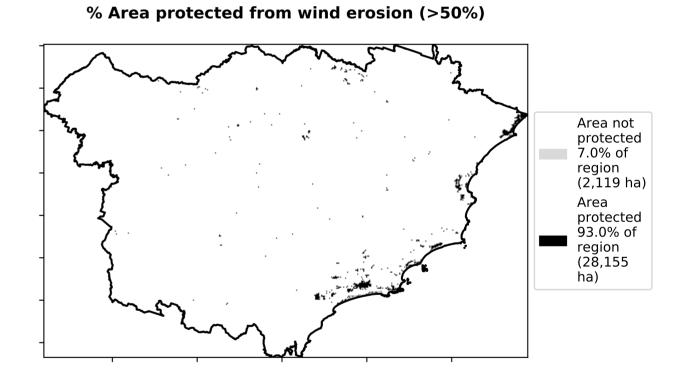
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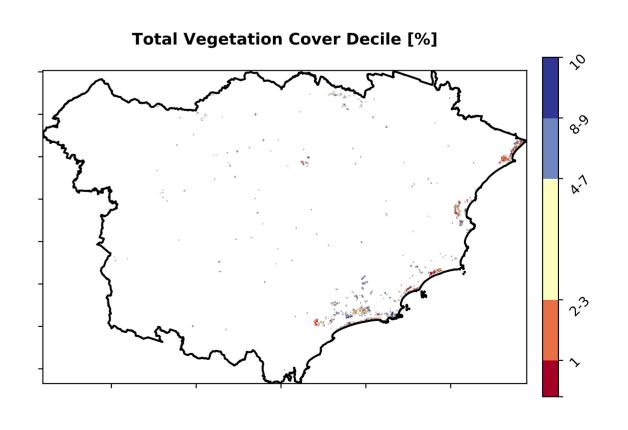




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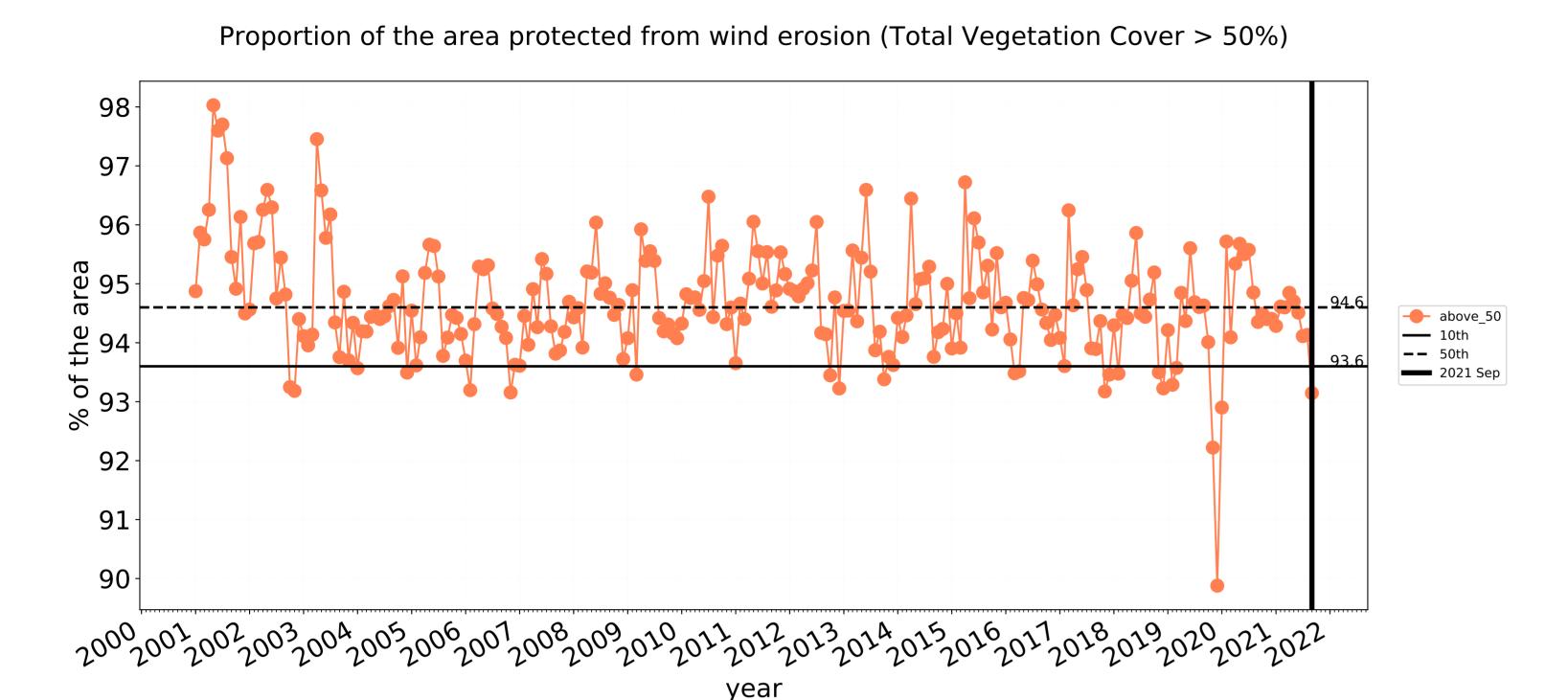


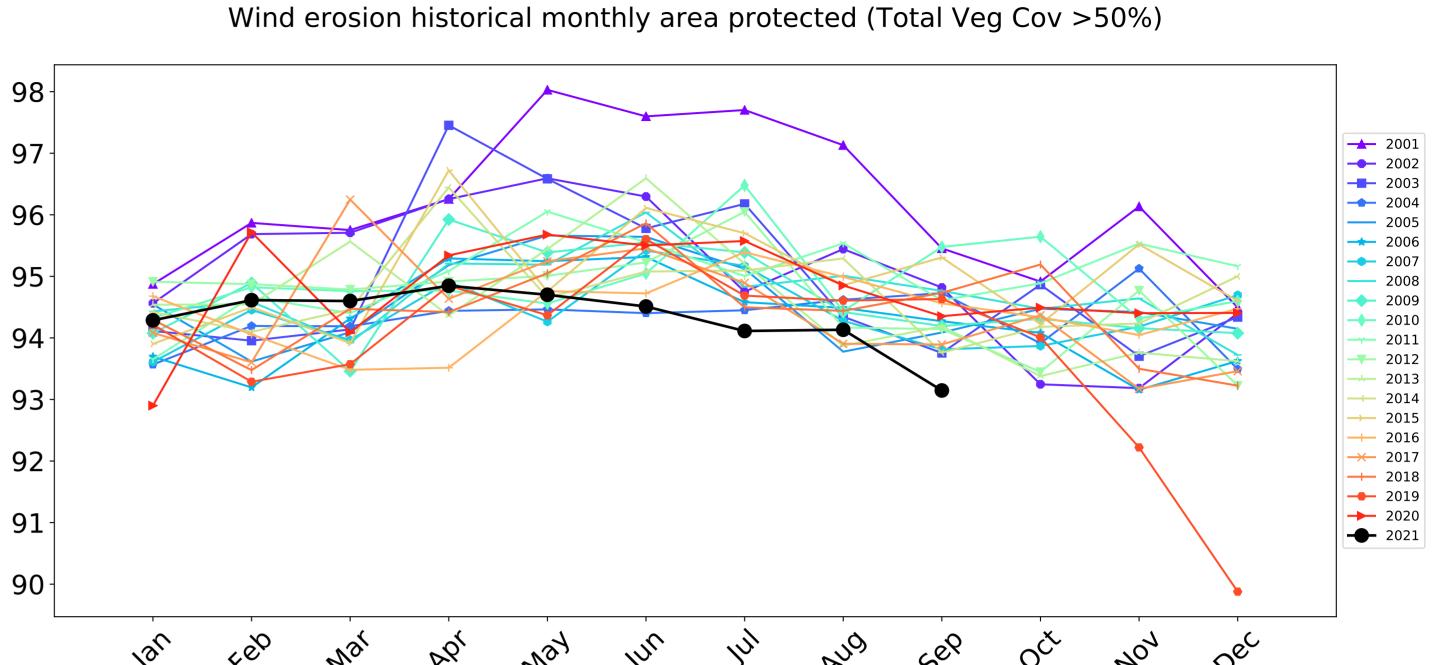






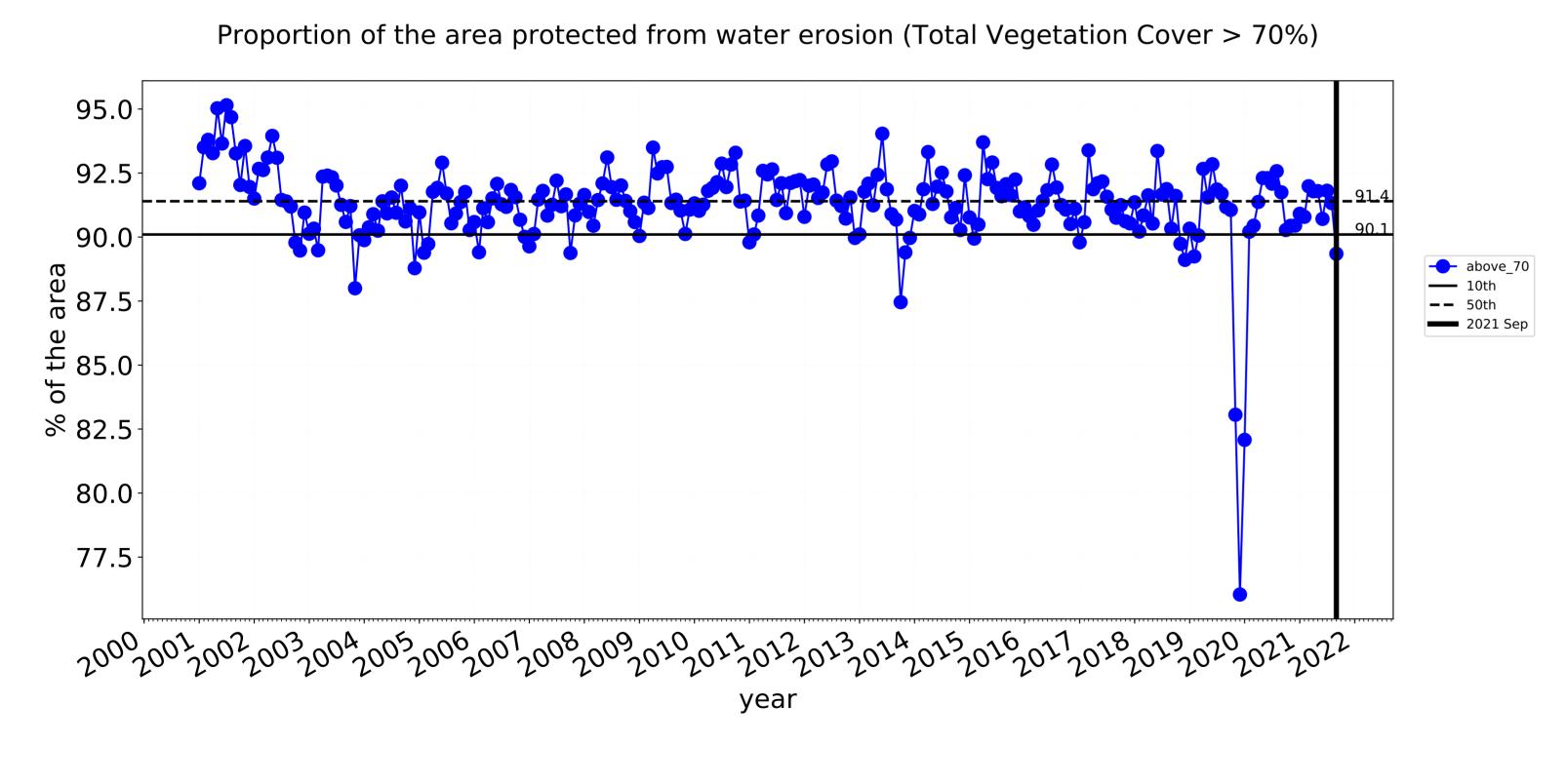
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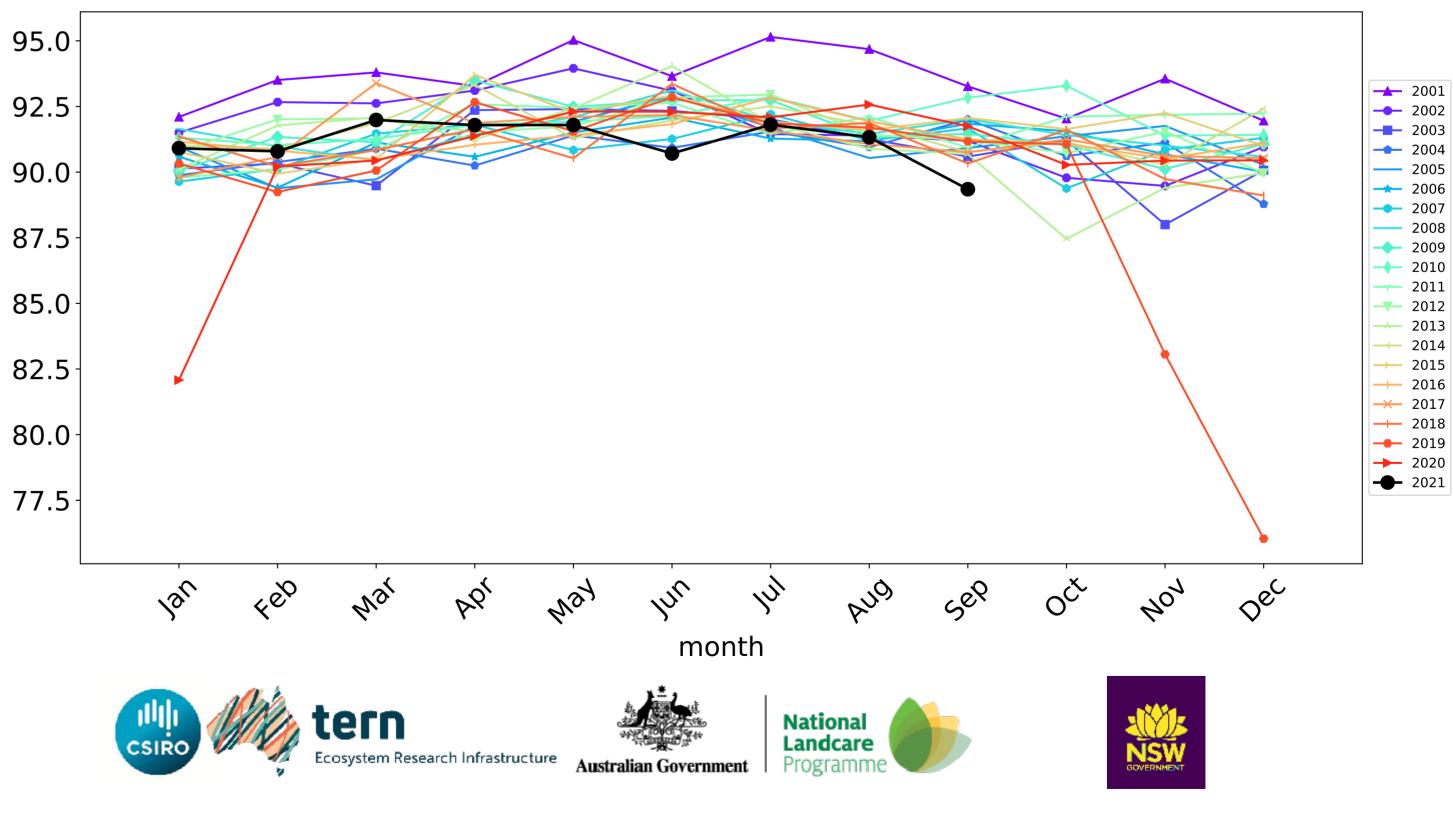


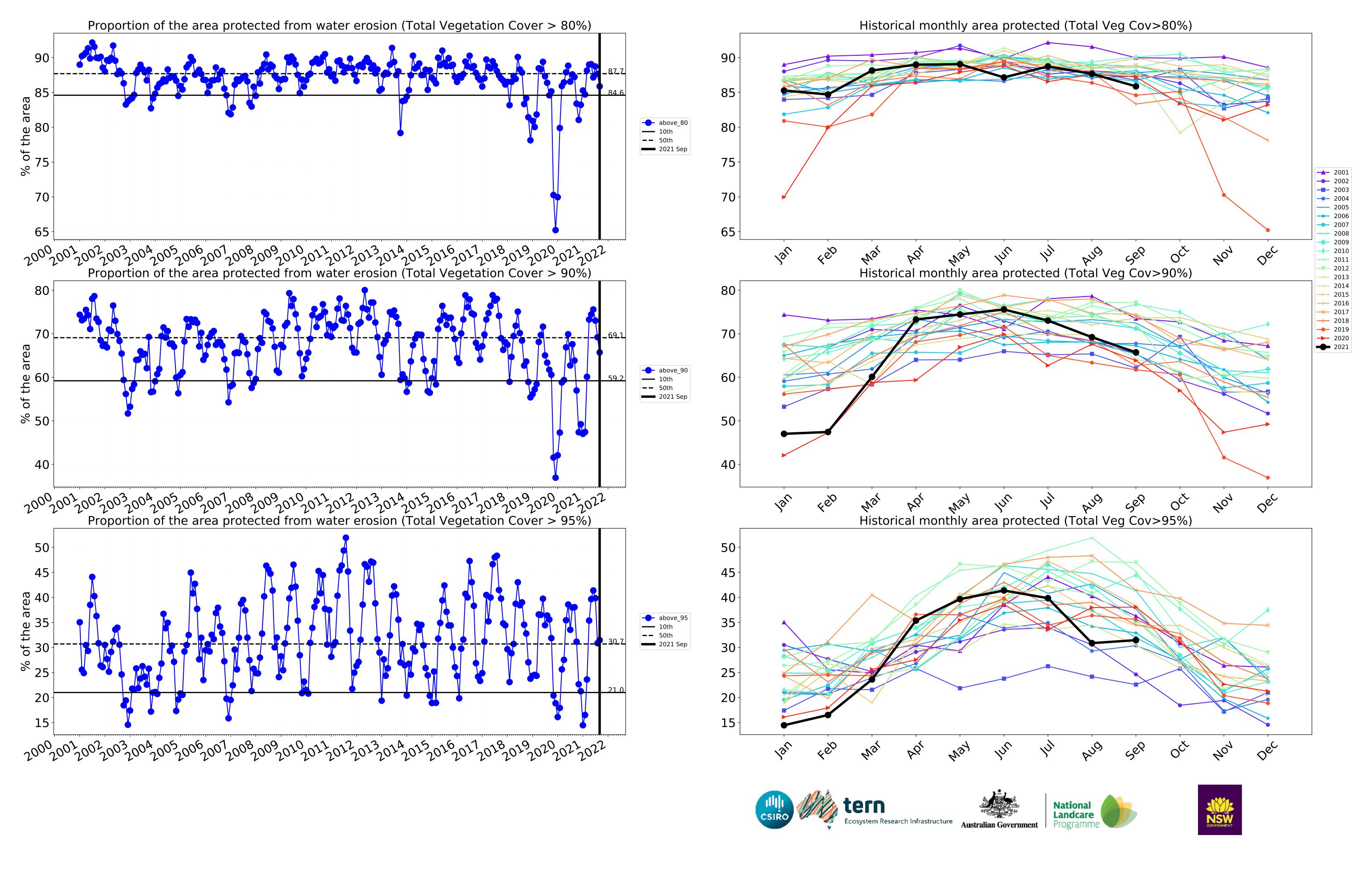


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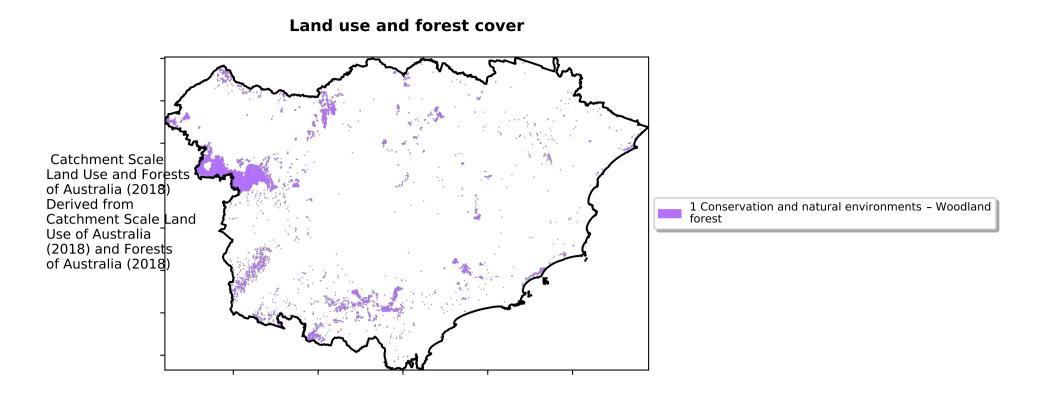
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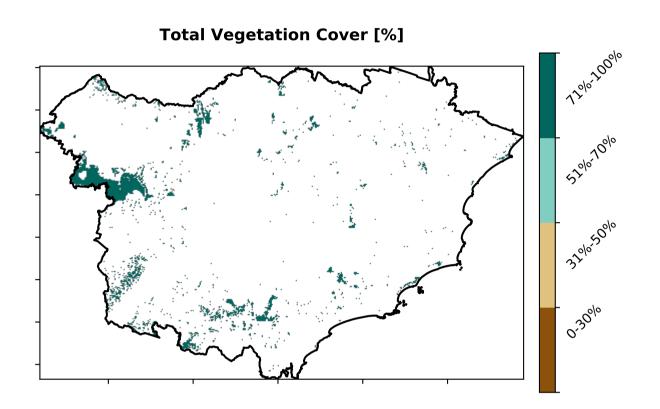


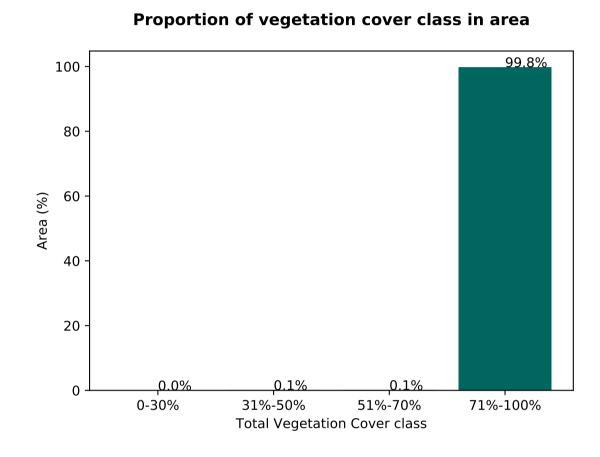


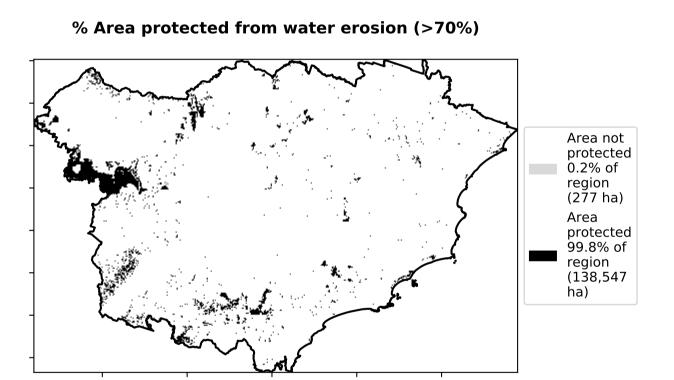


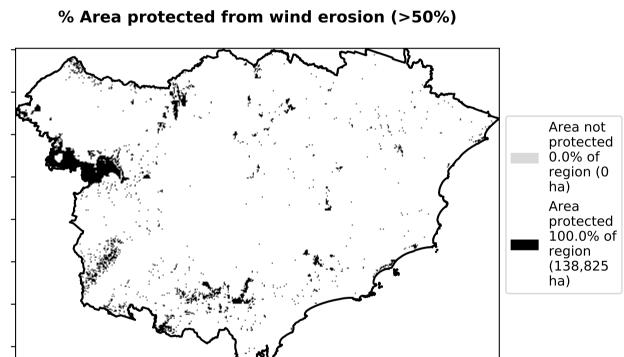
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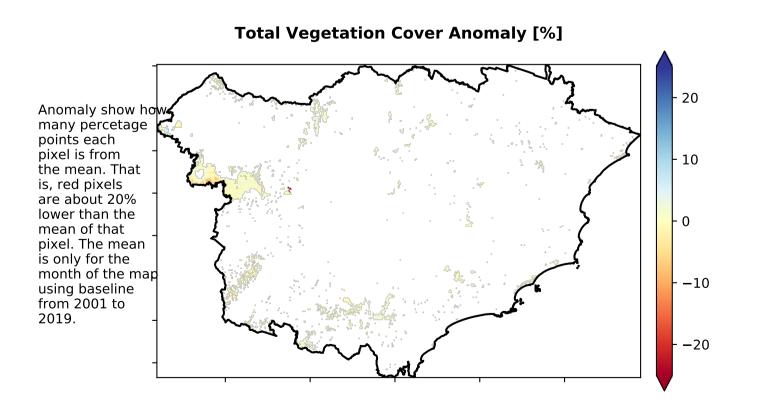


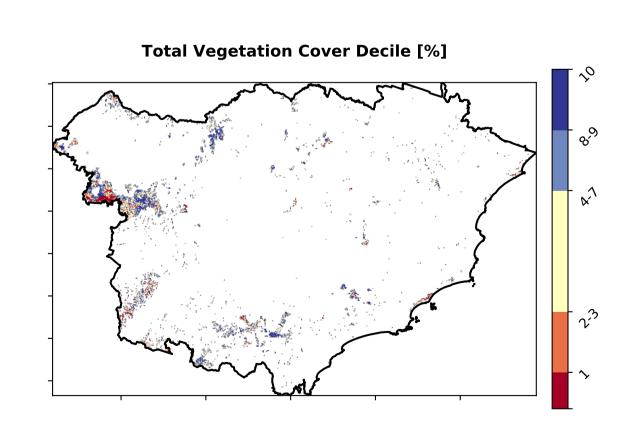










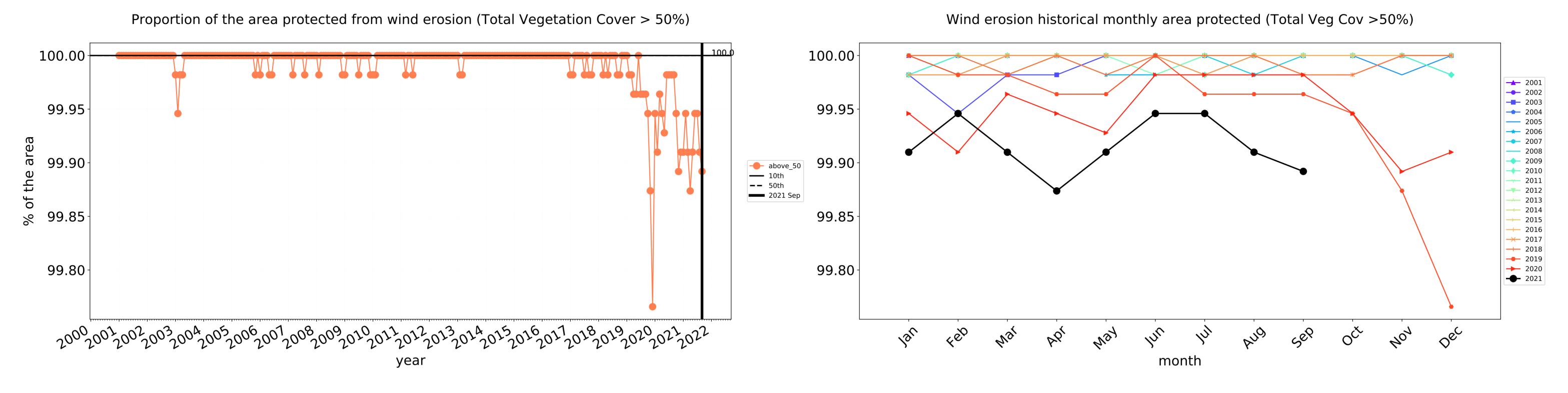


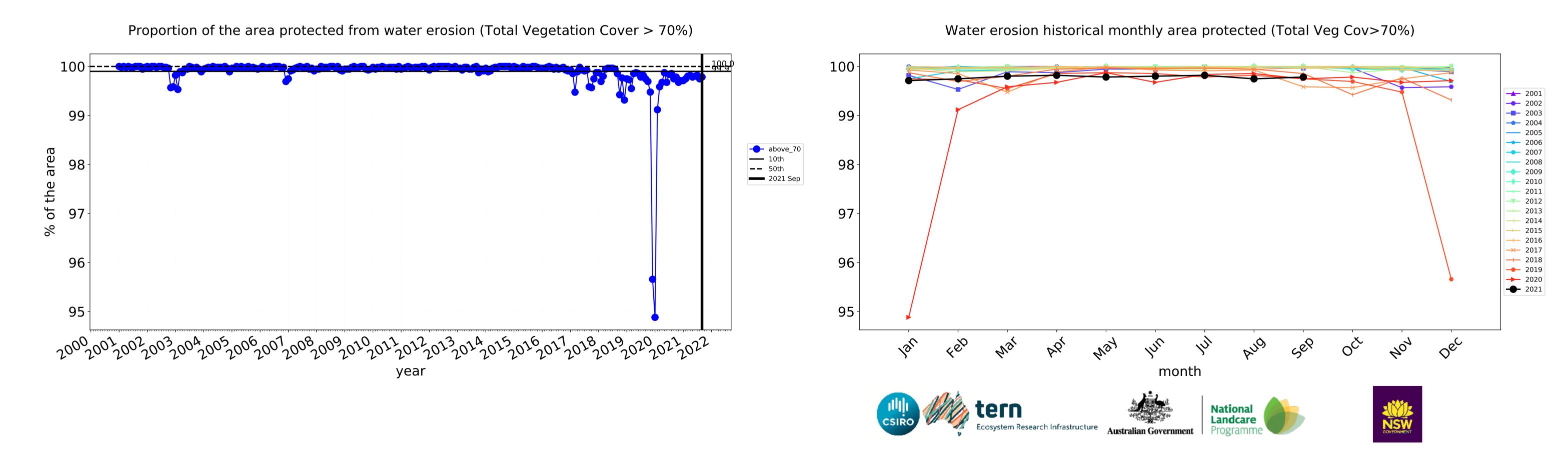


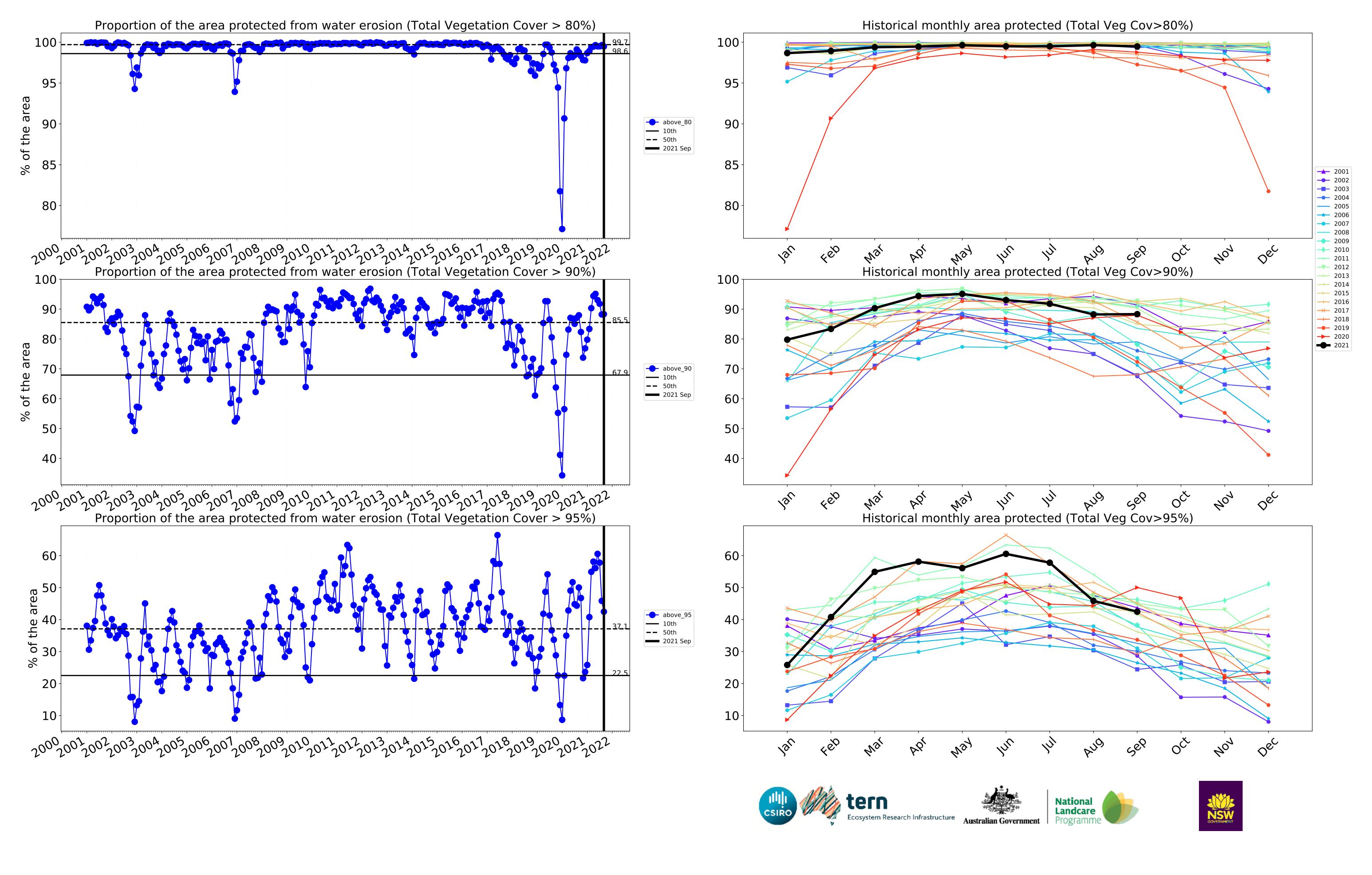




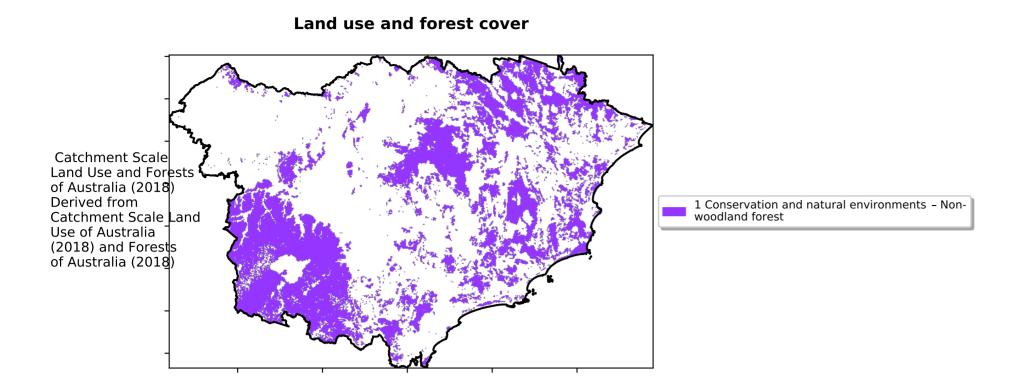




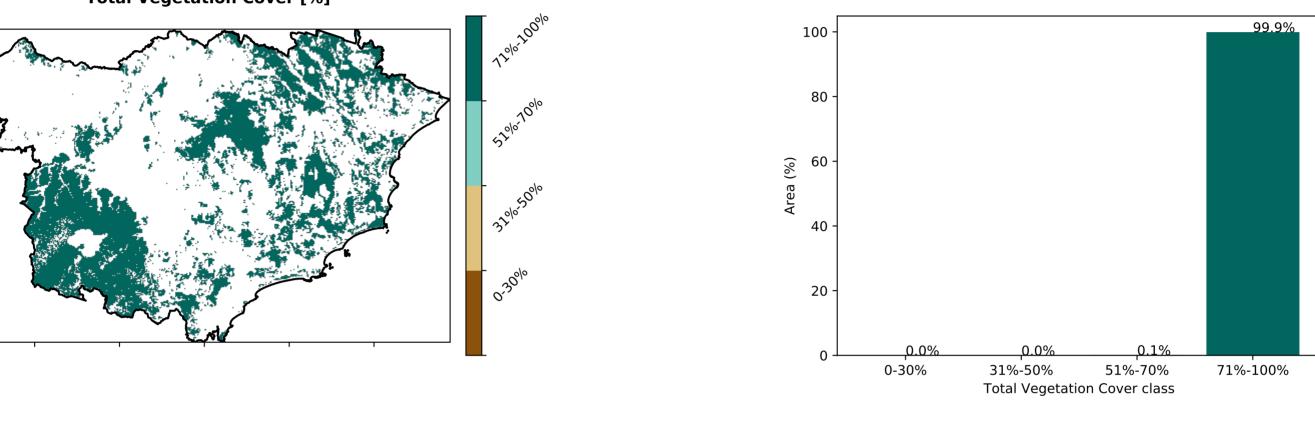


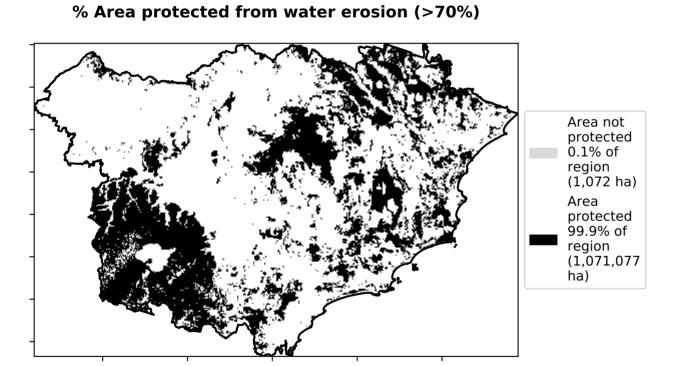


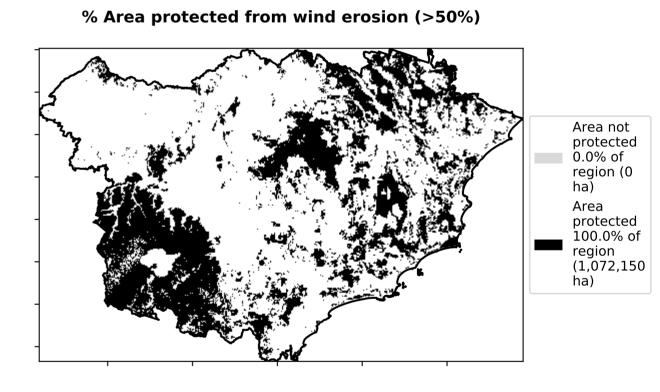
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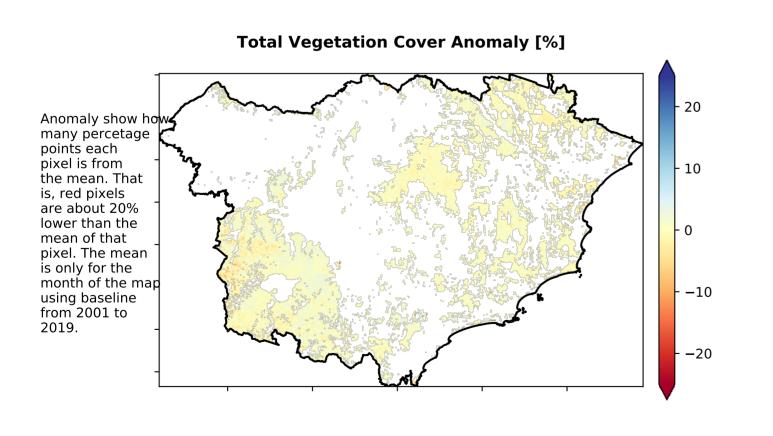
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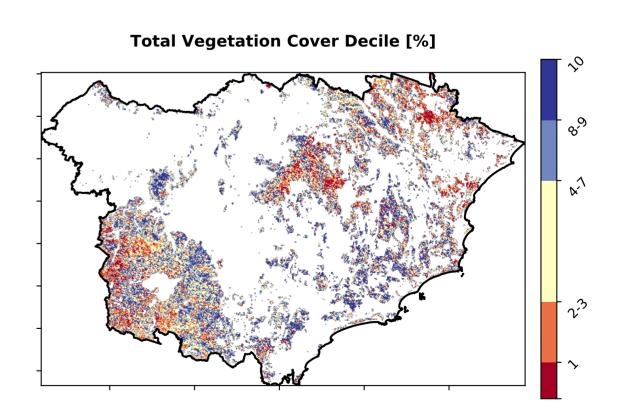






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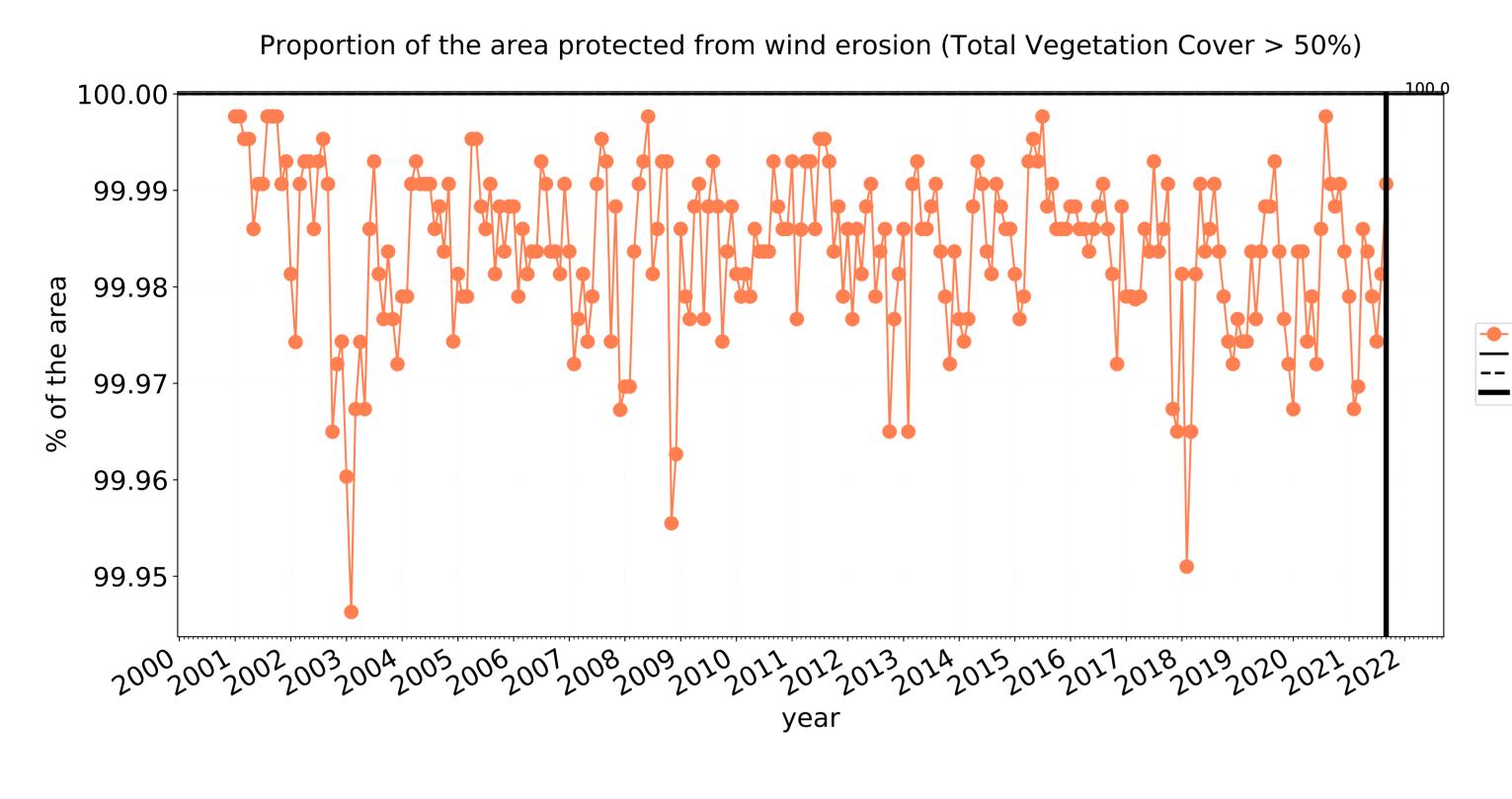


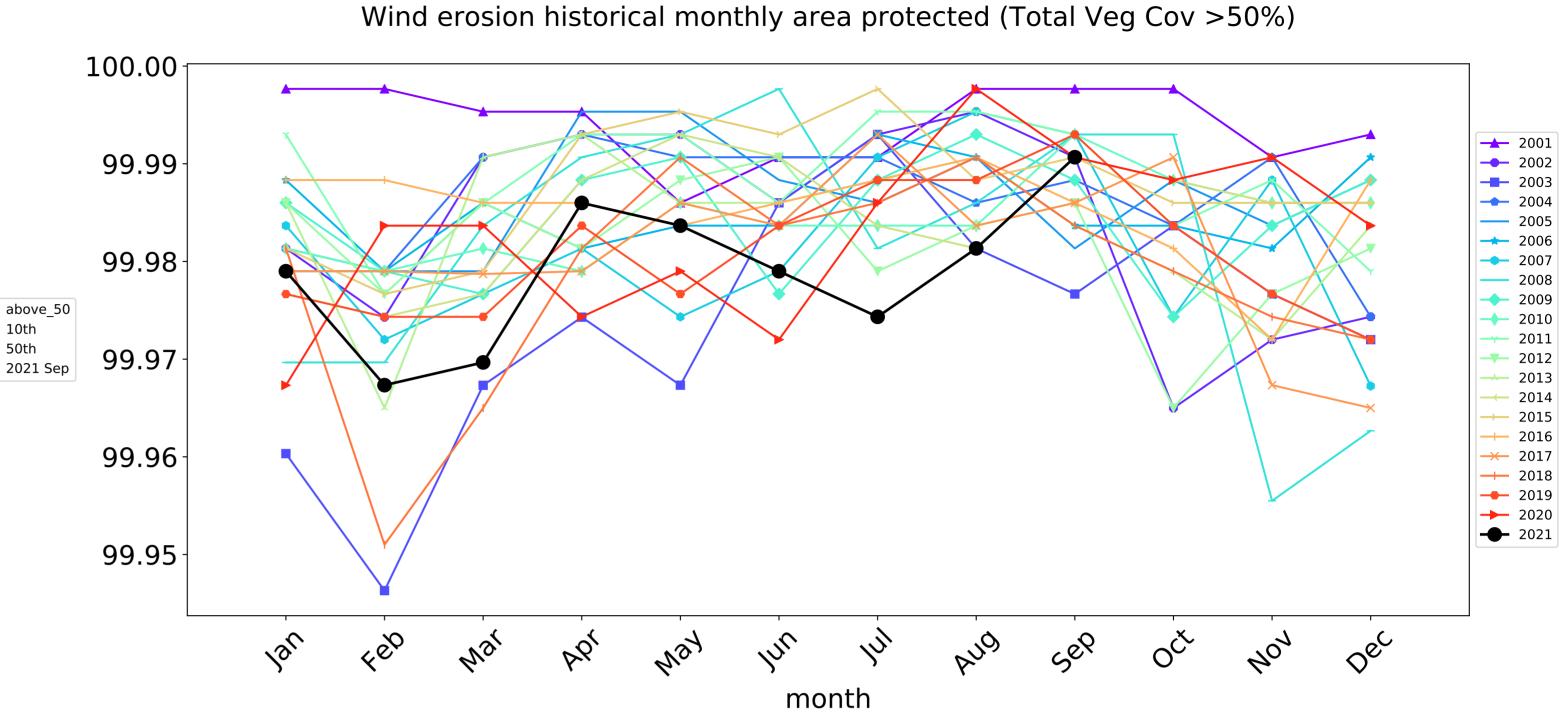


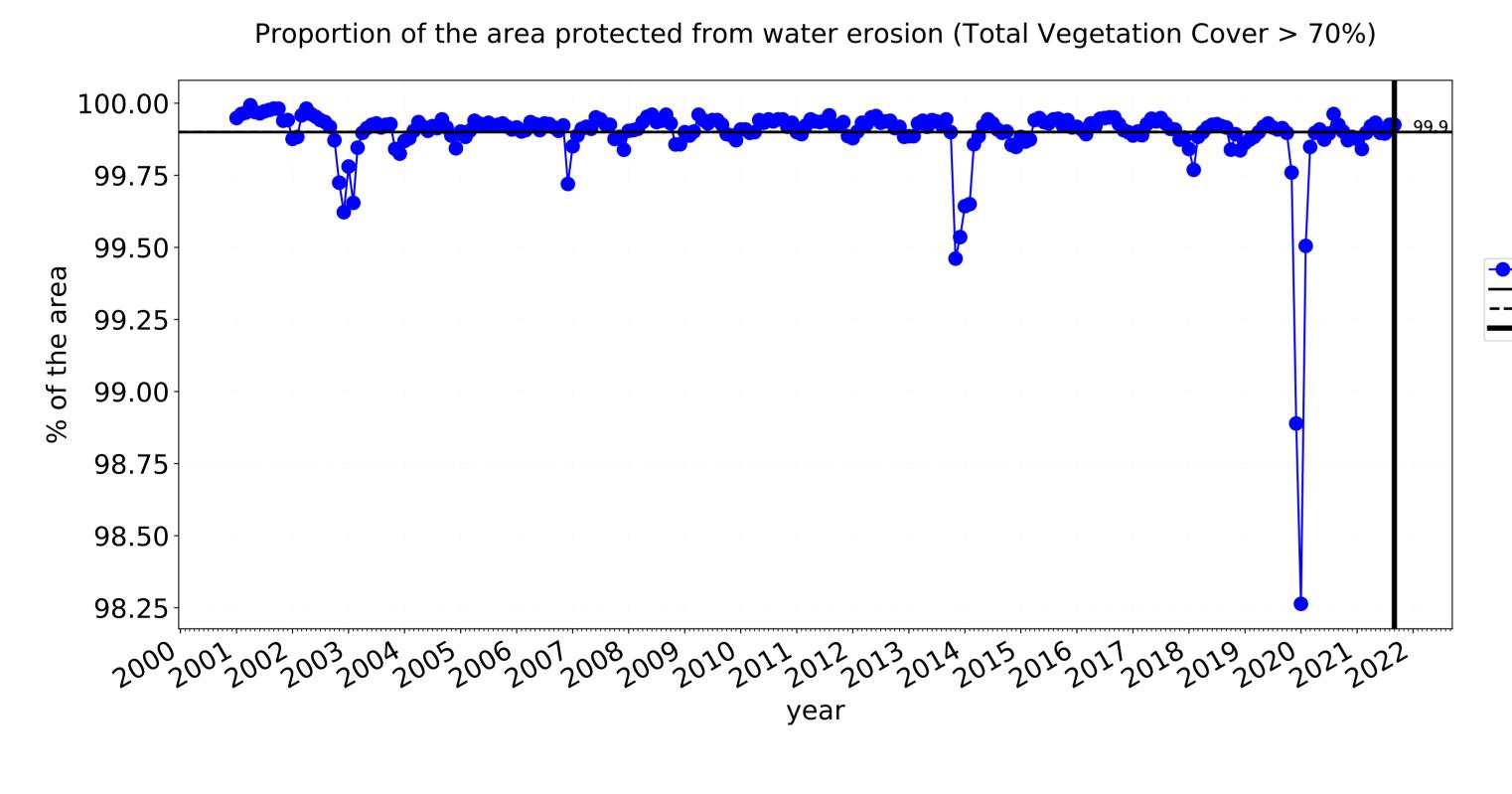


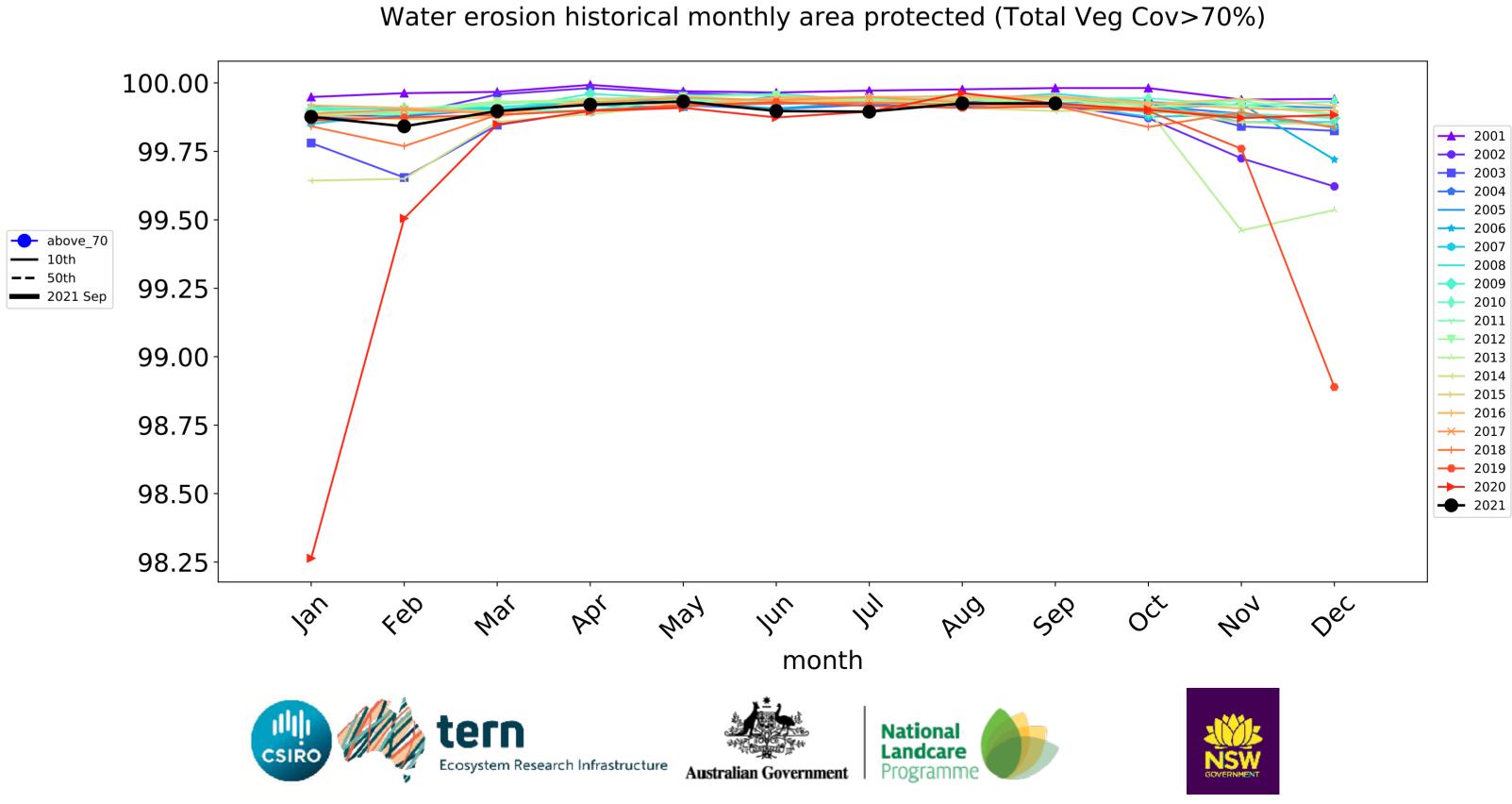


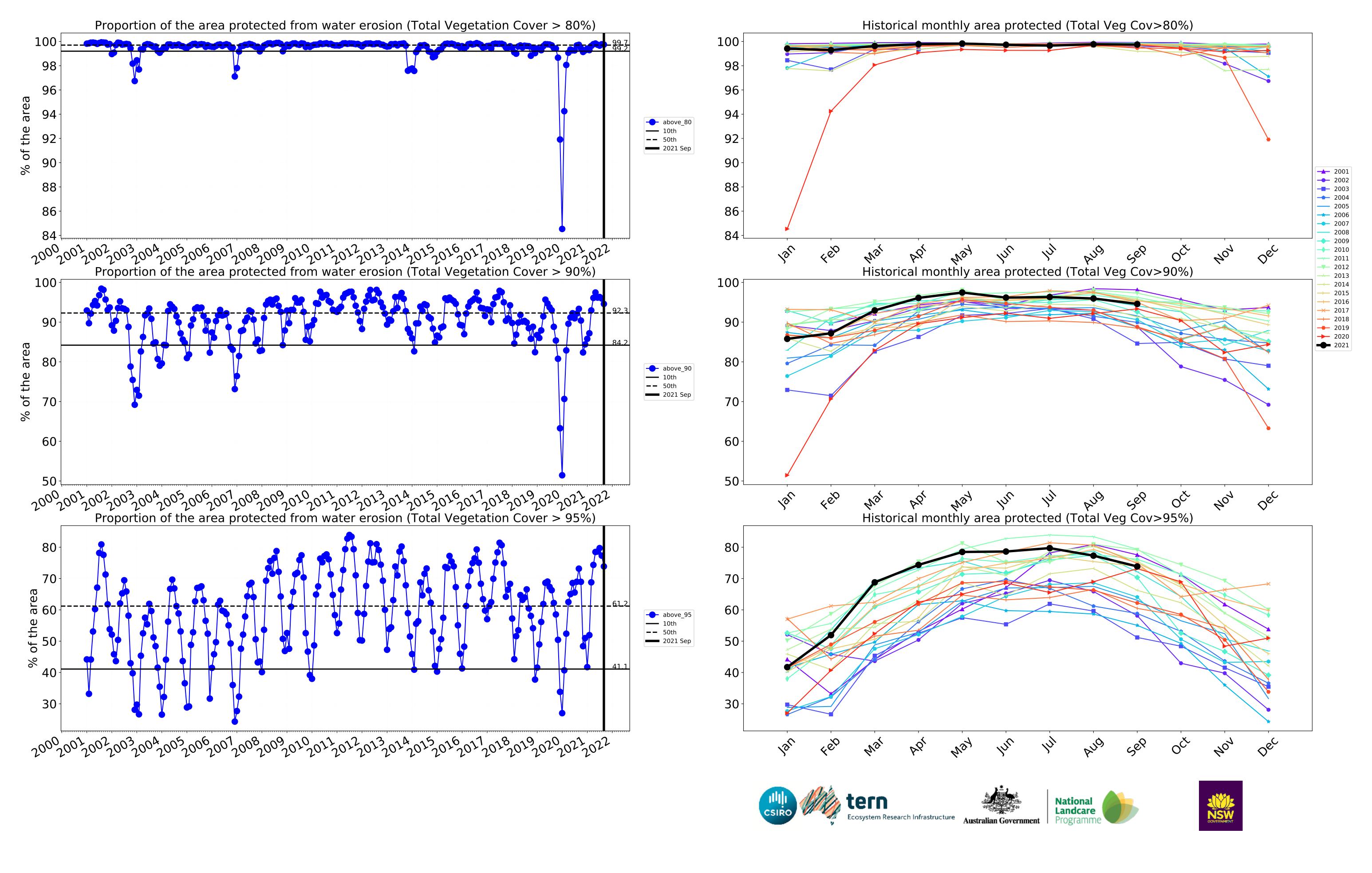
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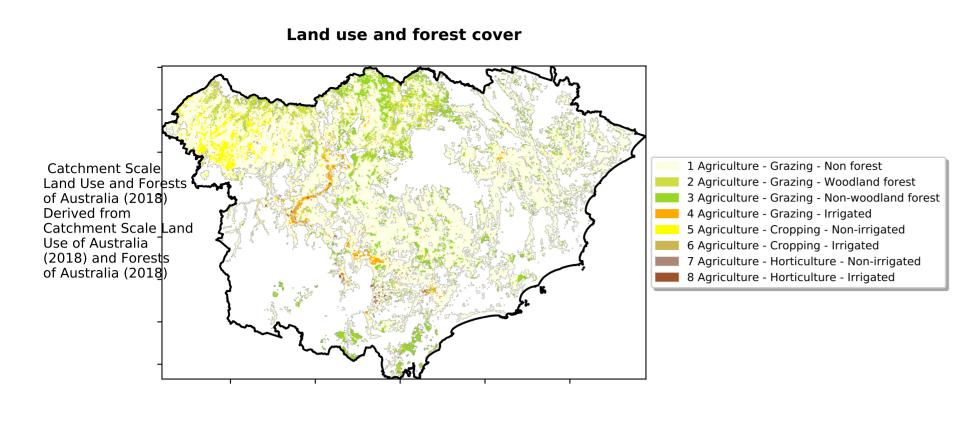


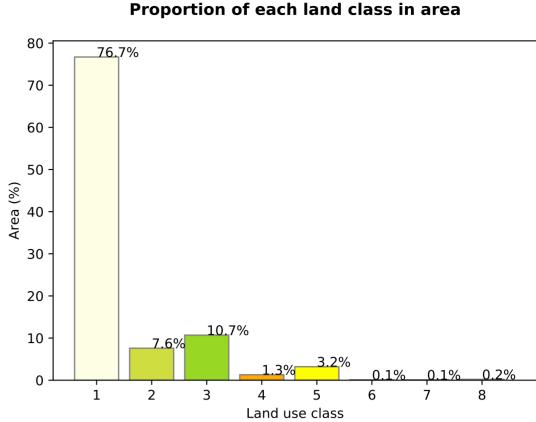


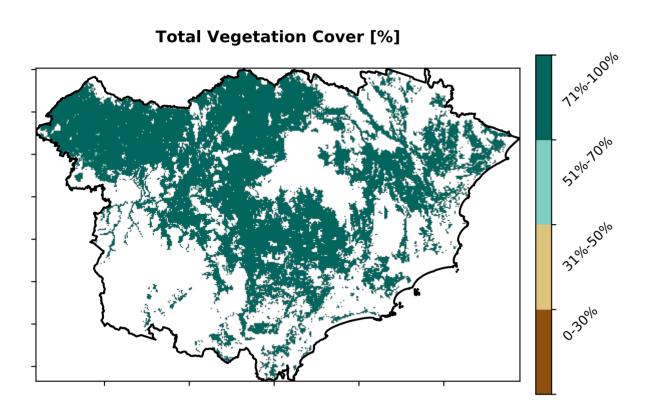


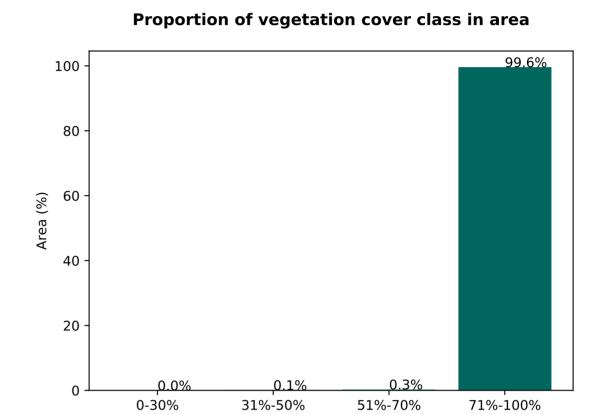


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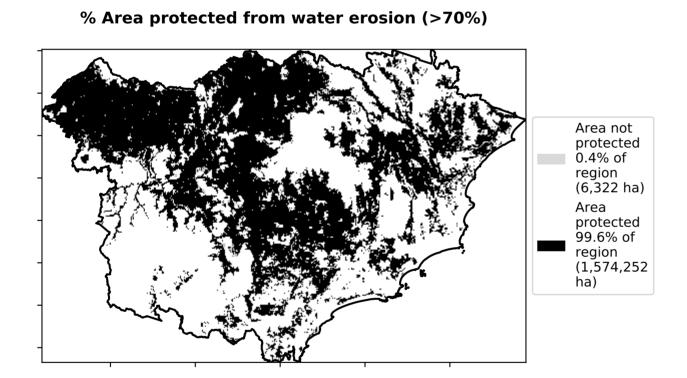


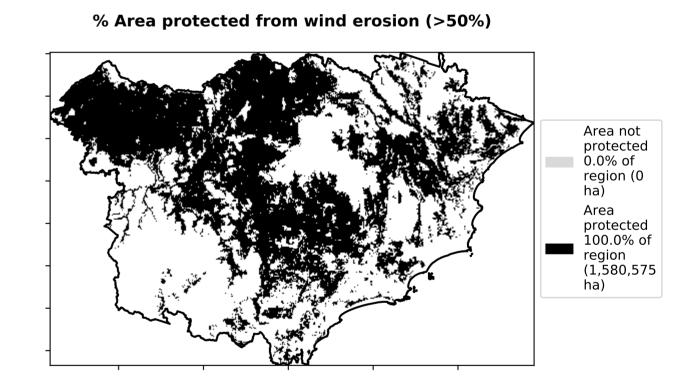


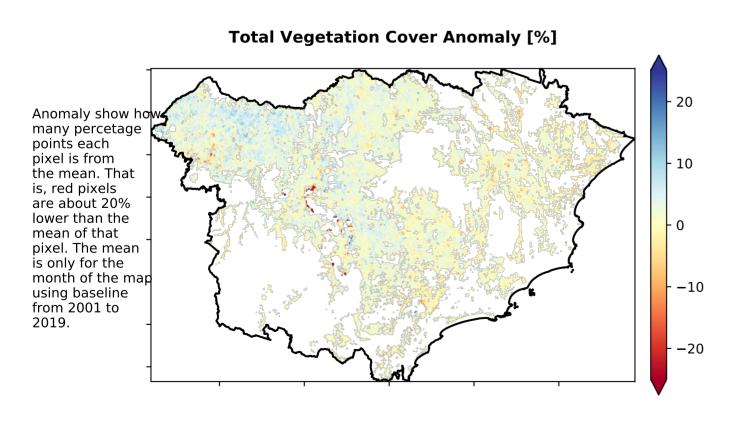


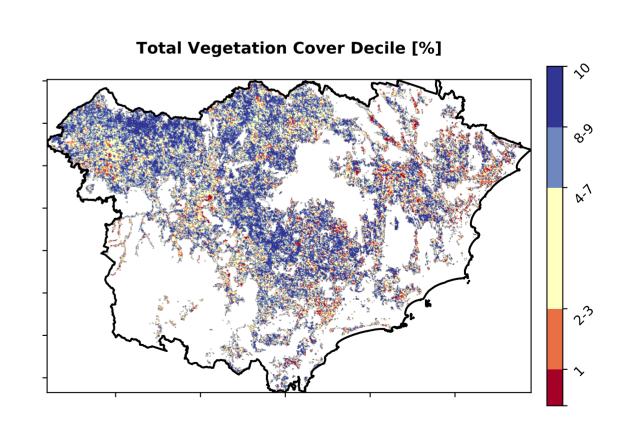


Total Vegetation Cover class









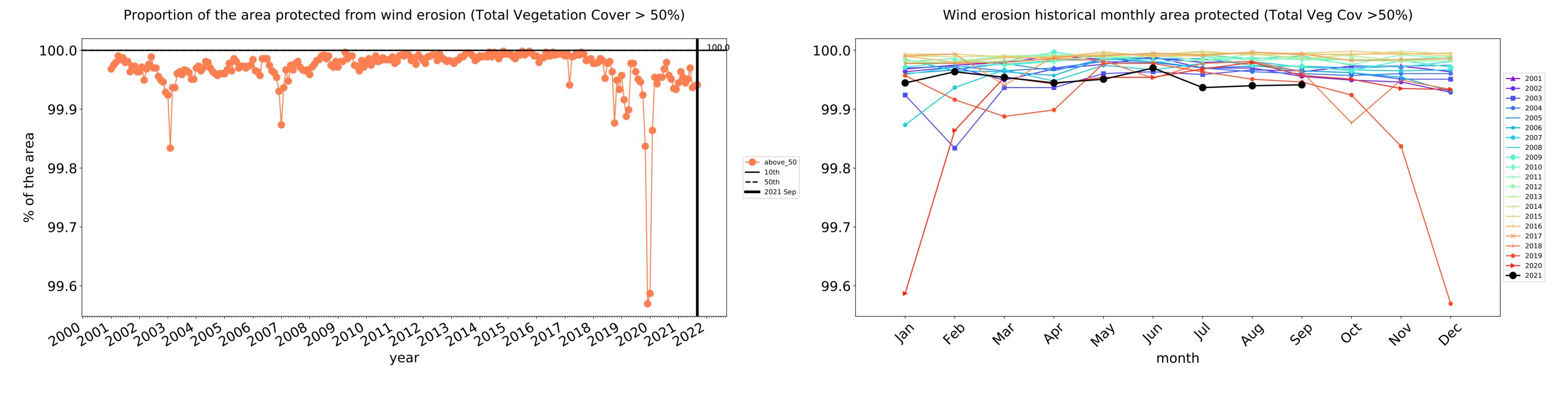


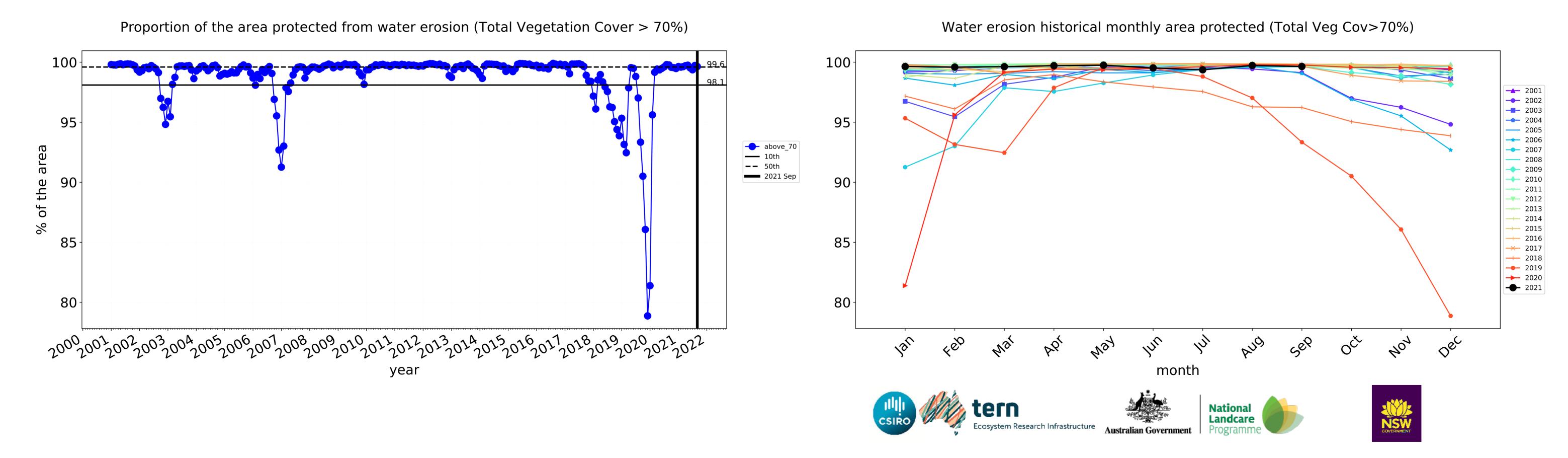


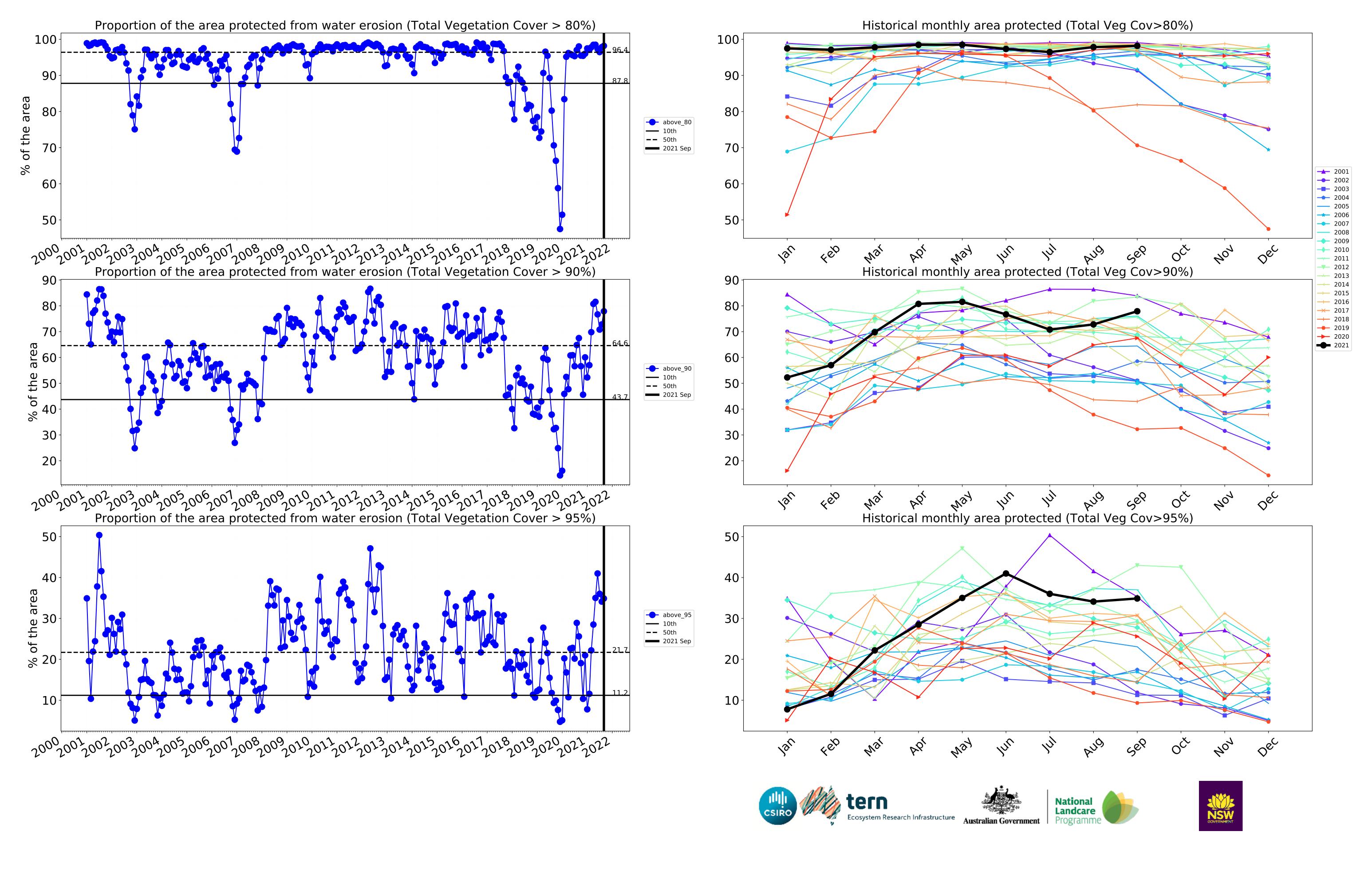




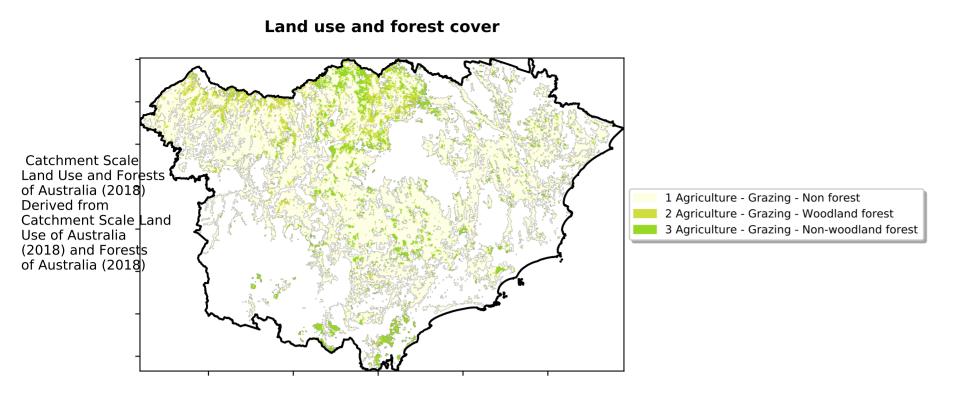
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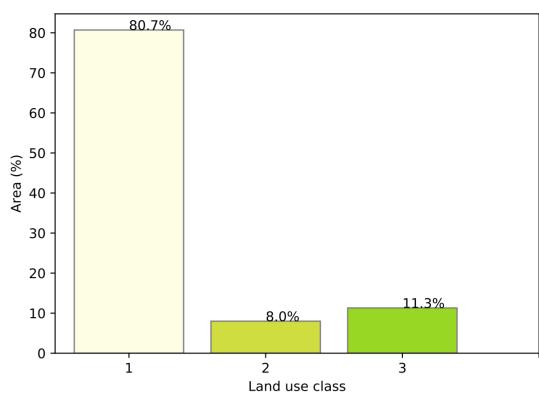




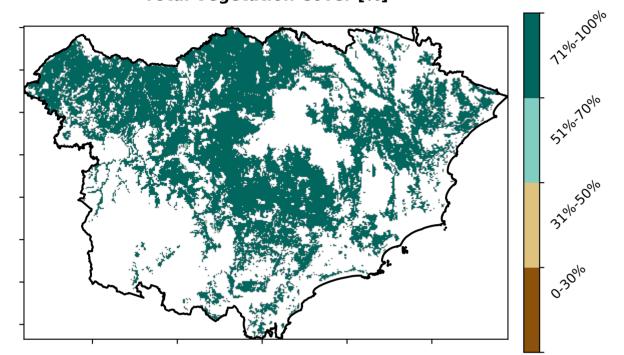
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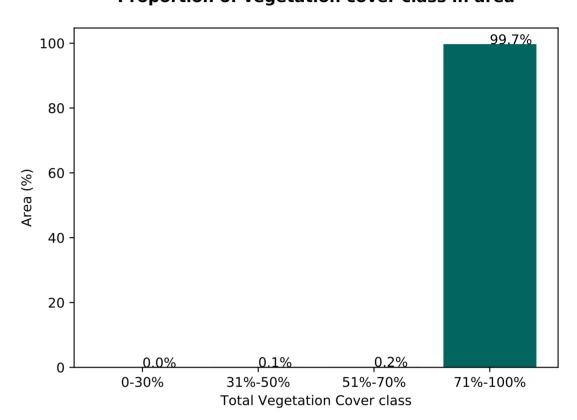
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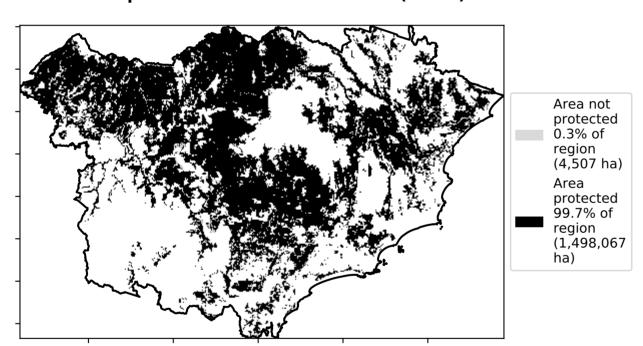
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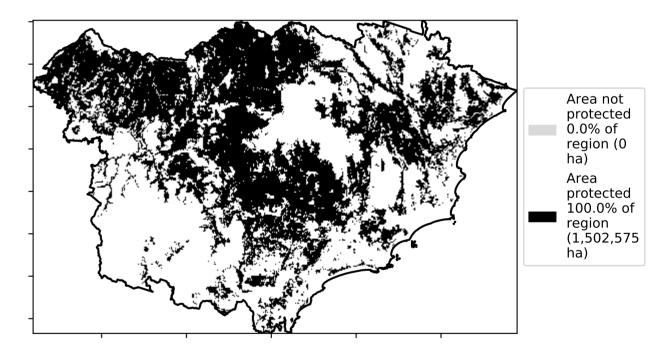
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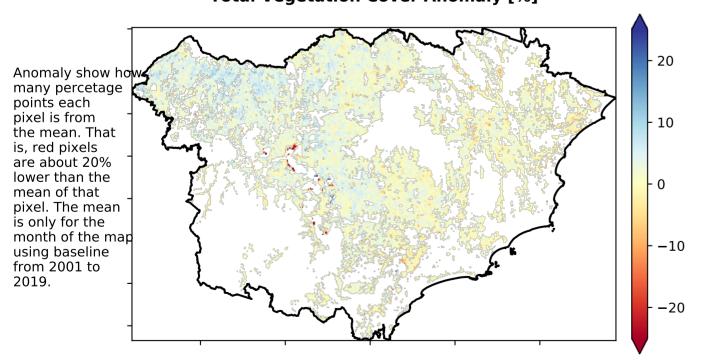
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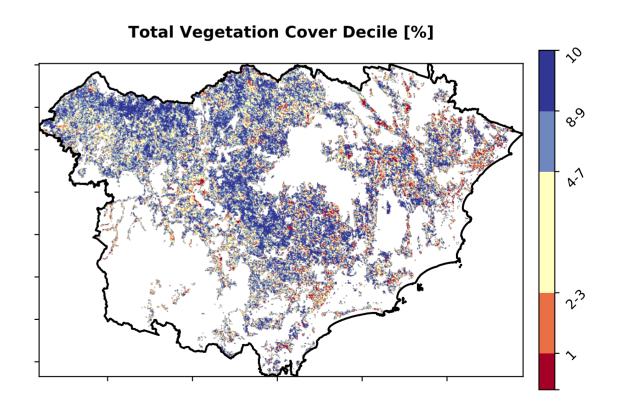


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]







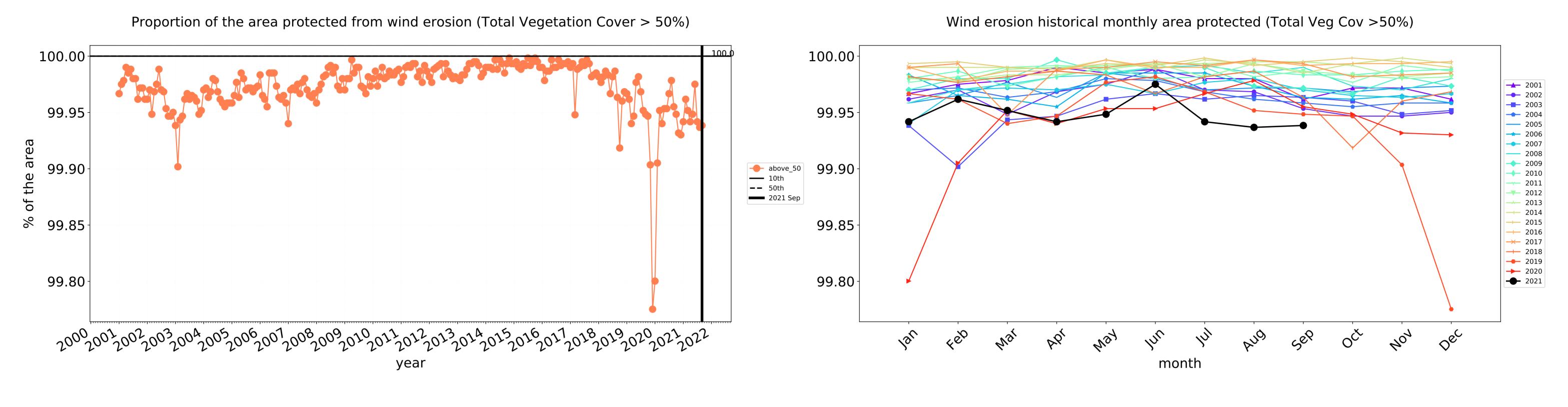


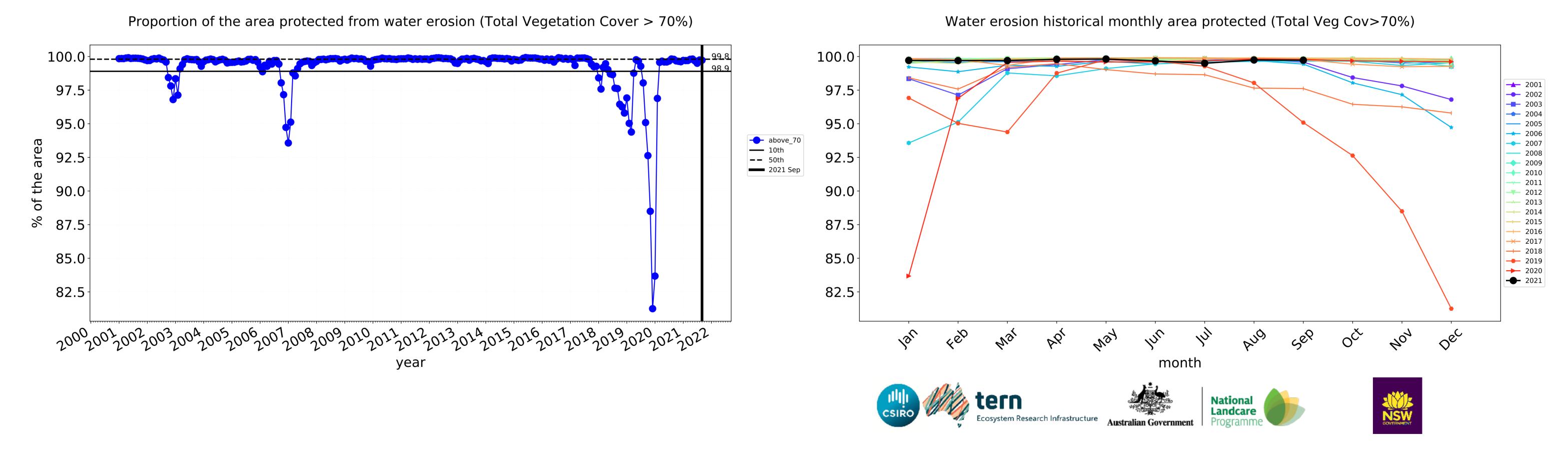


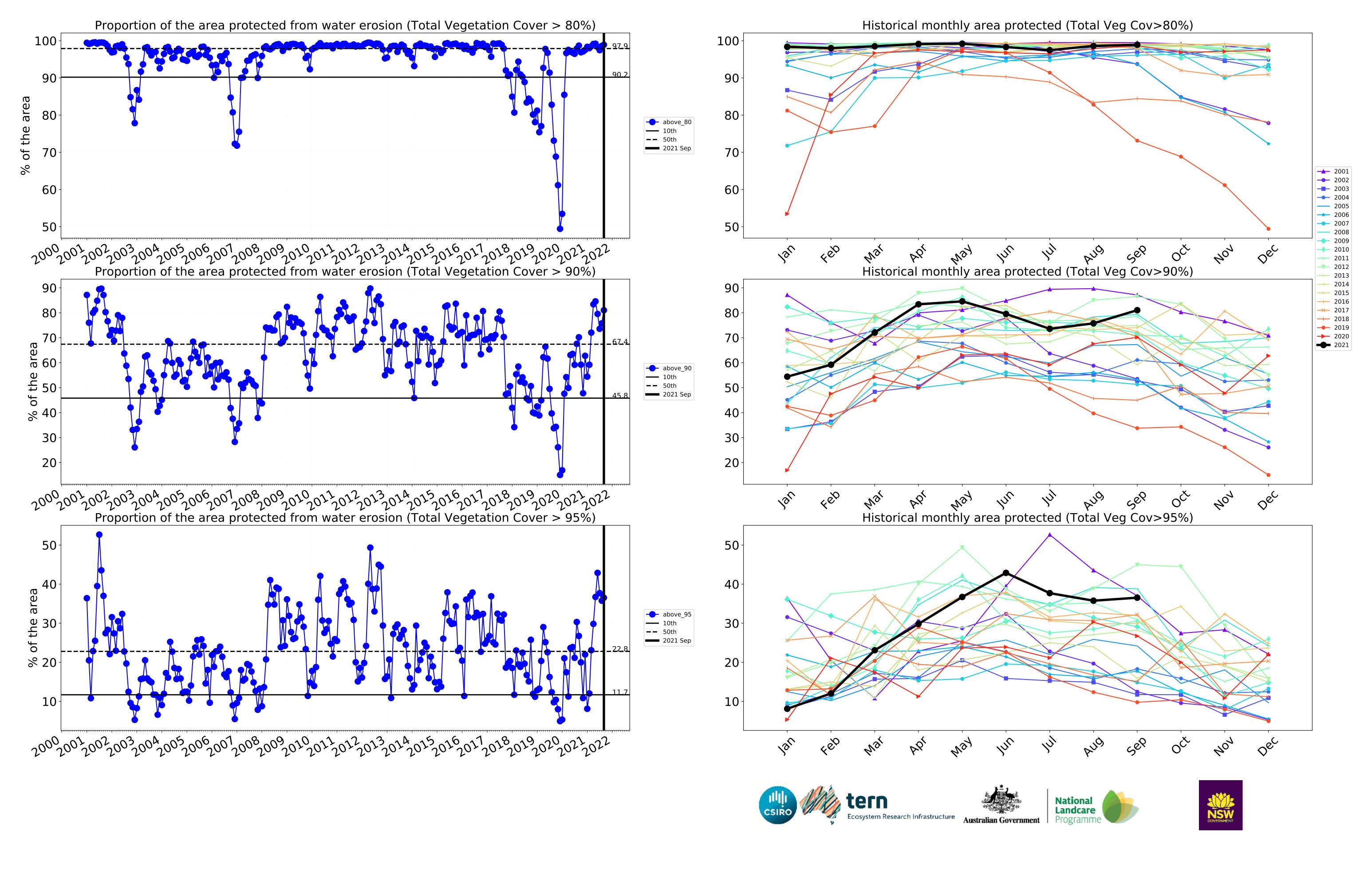




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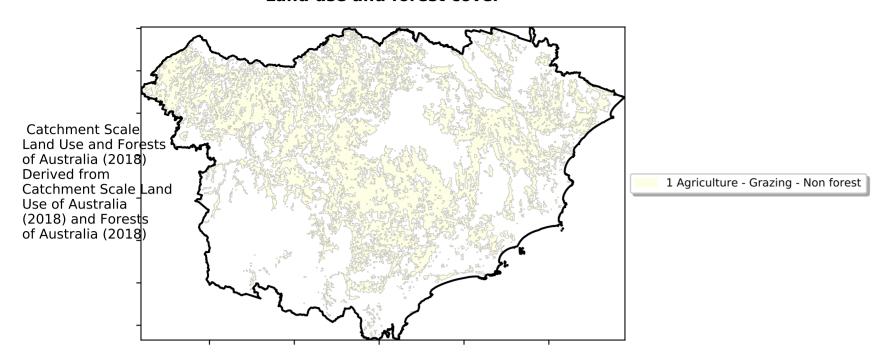




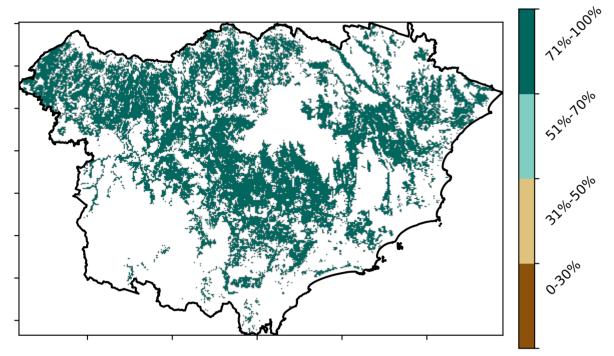


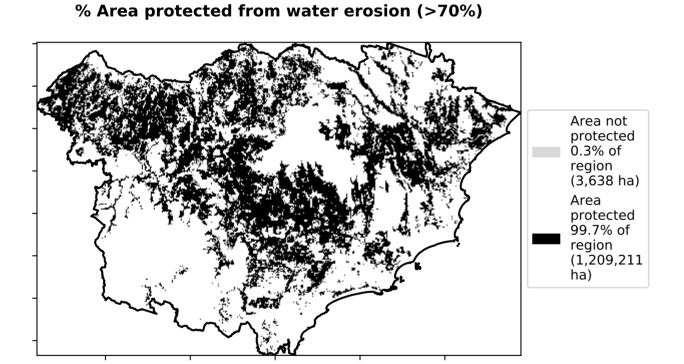
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Land use and forest cover

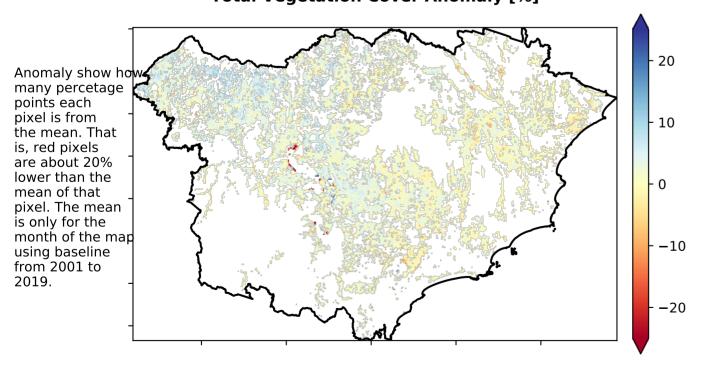


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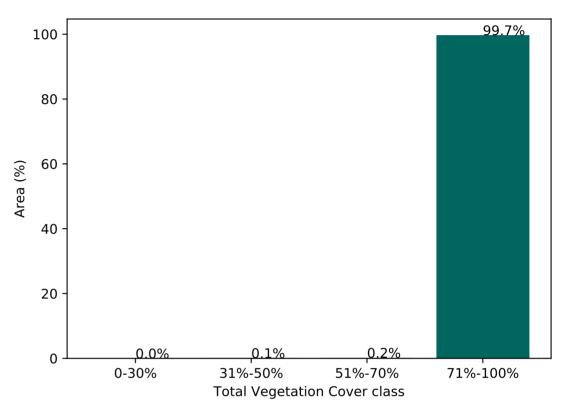


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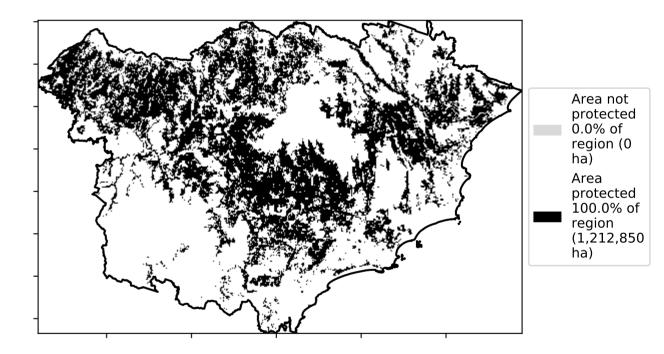


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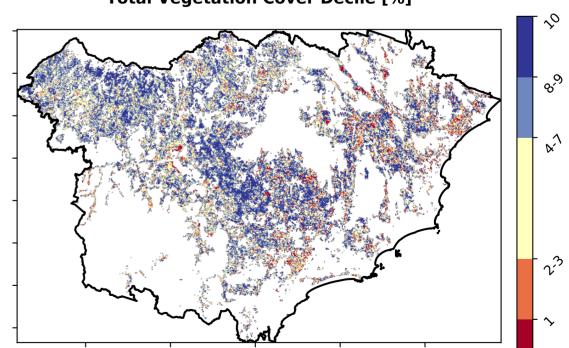
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



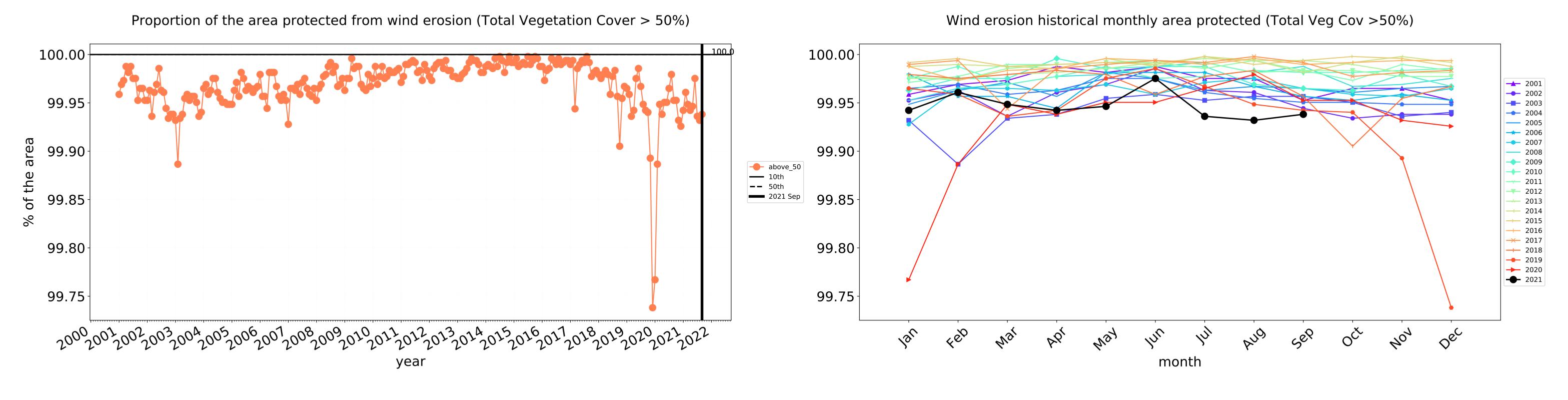


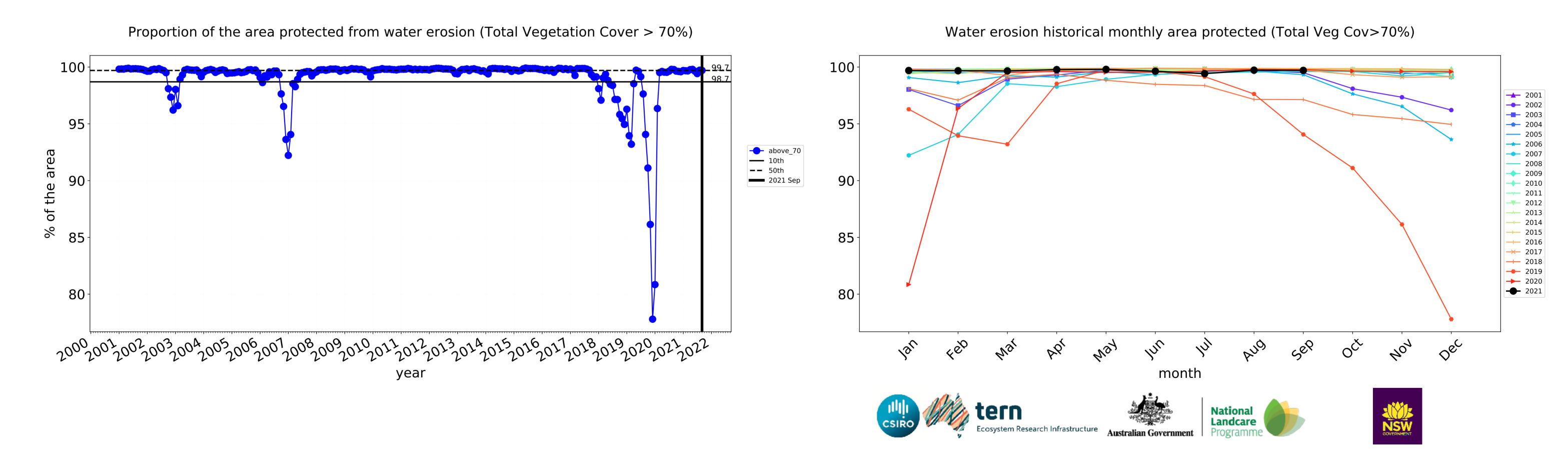


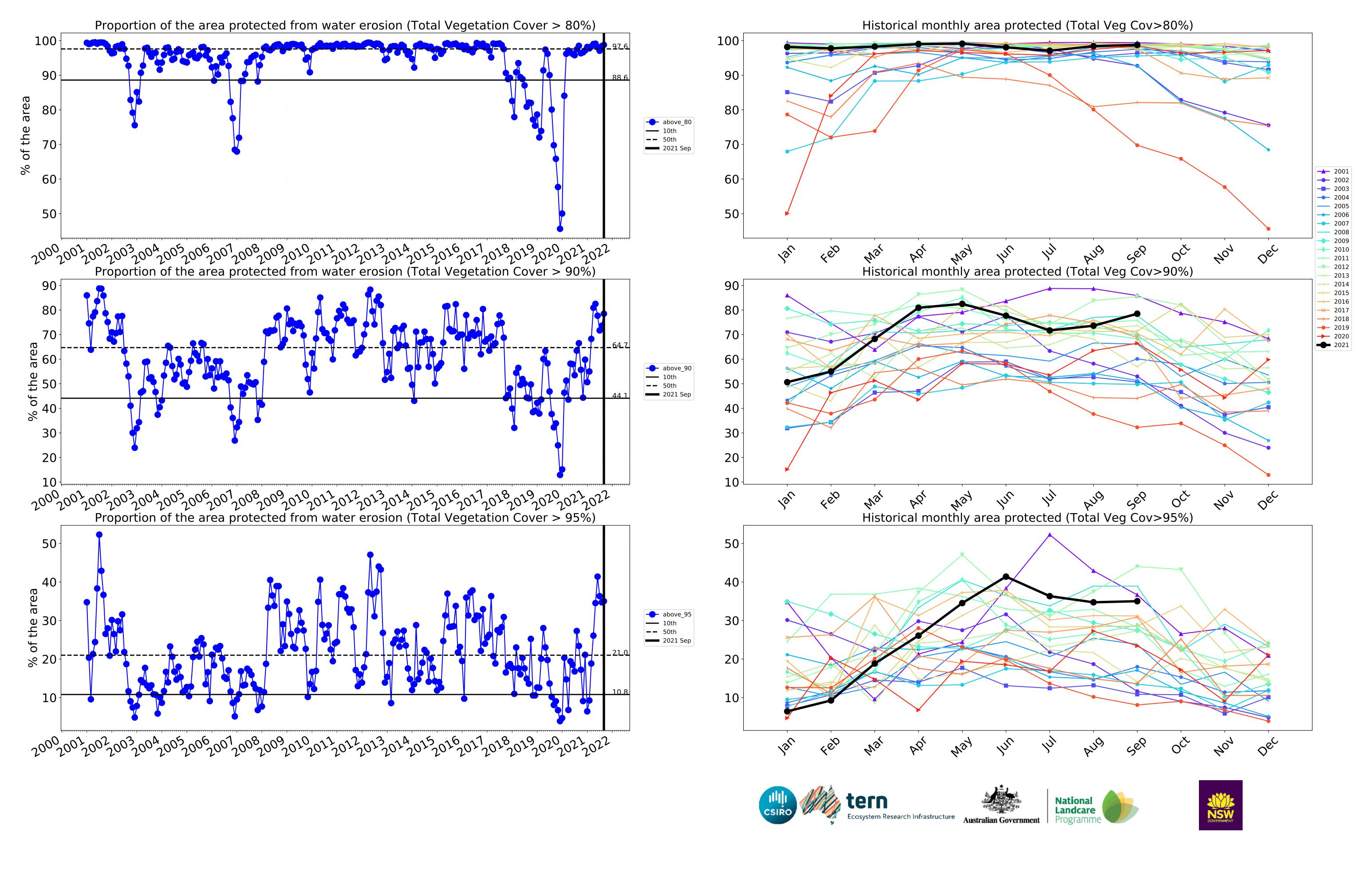




Grazing non forest timeseries





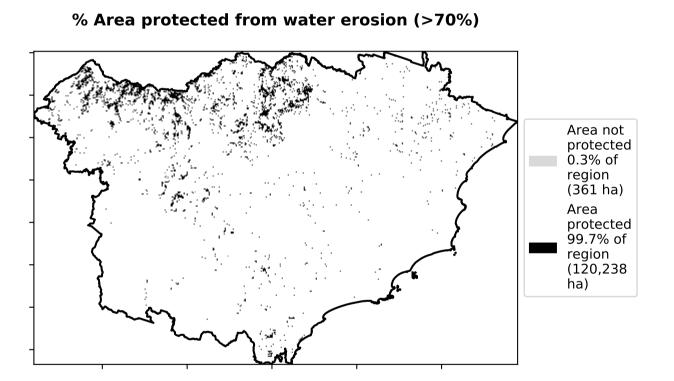


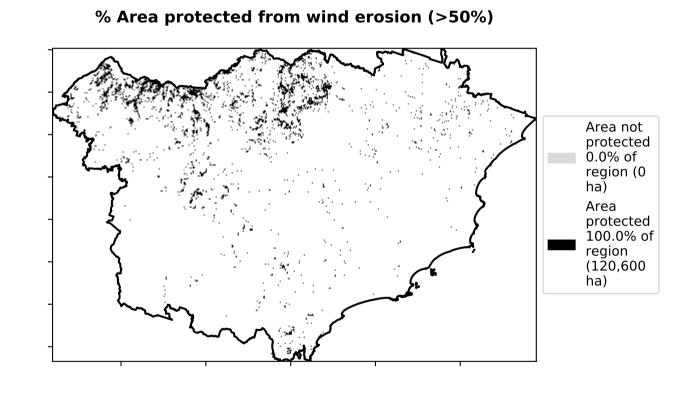
Grazing Woodland forest

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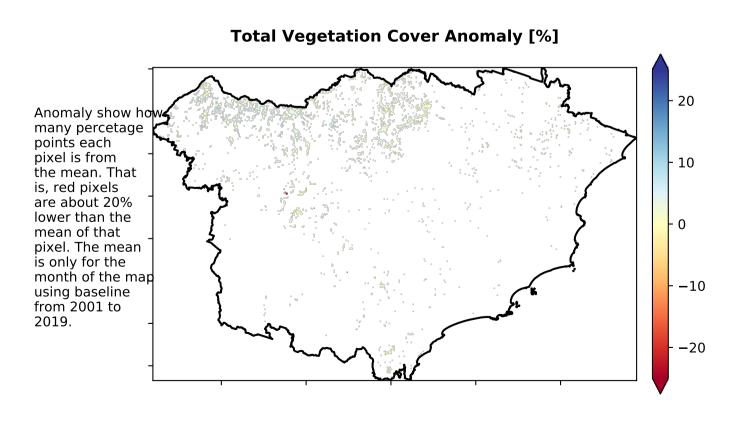
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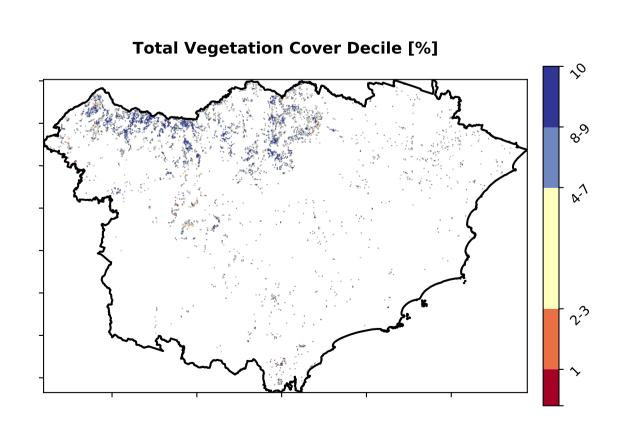
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area





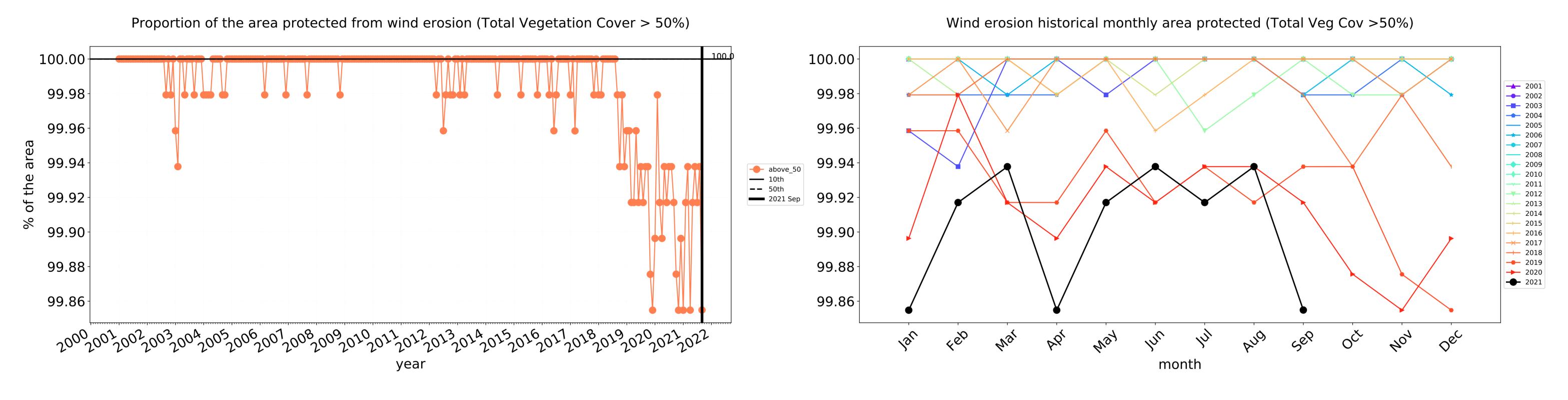


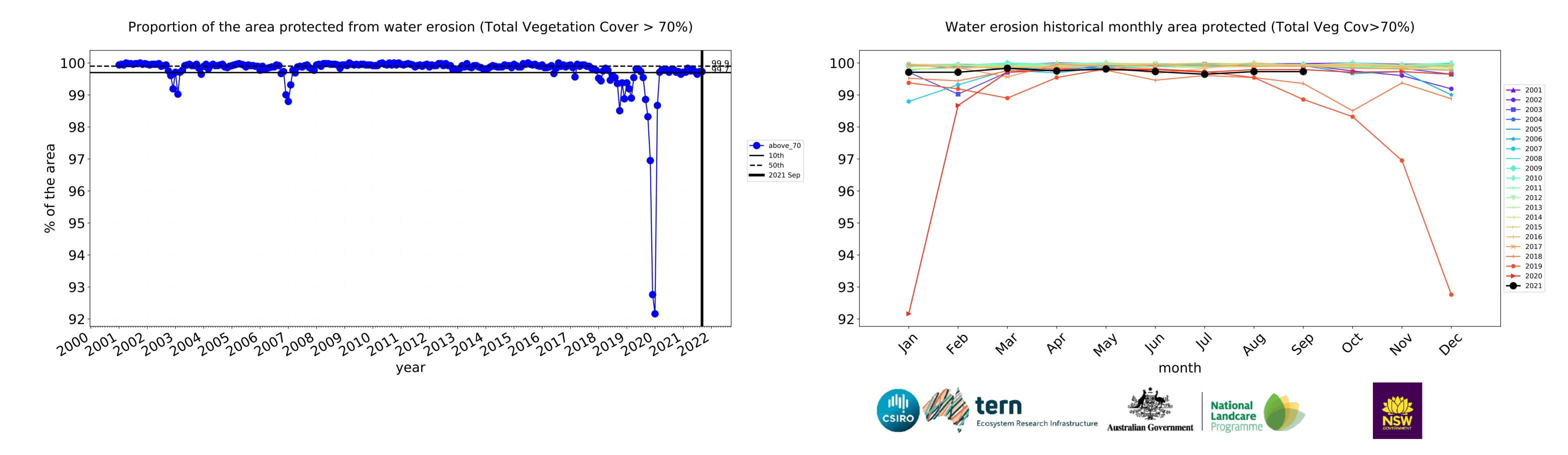


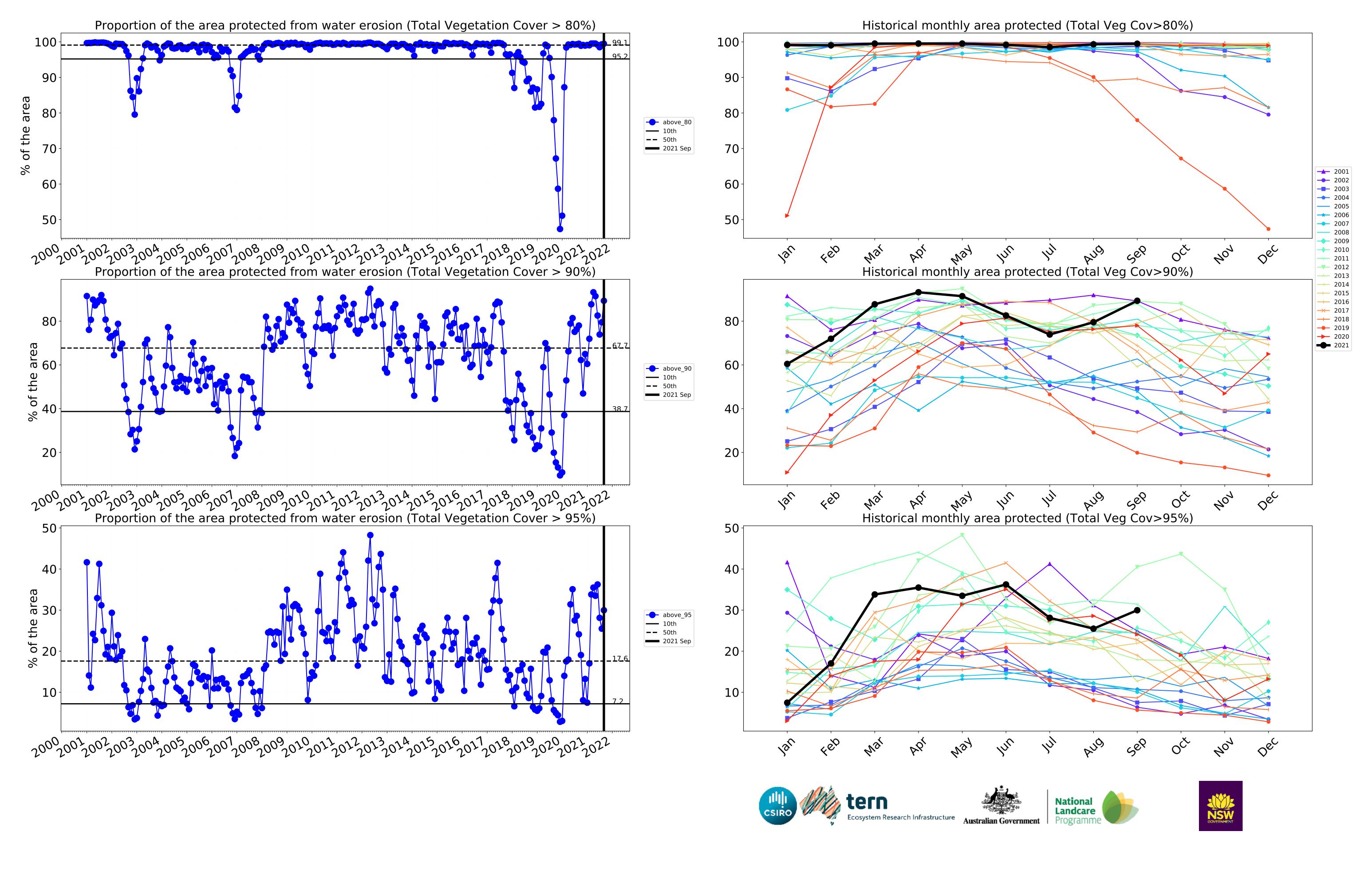




Grazing Woodland forest timeseries



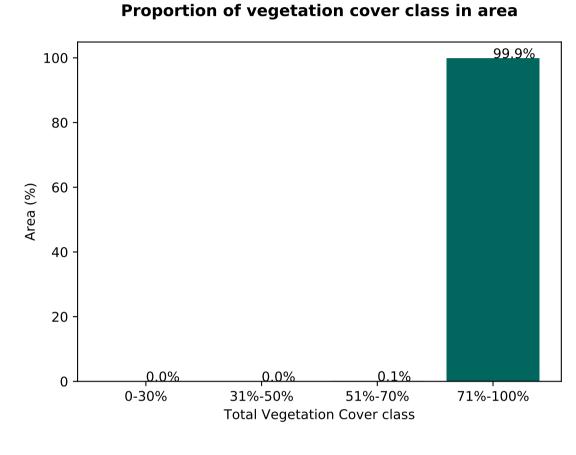


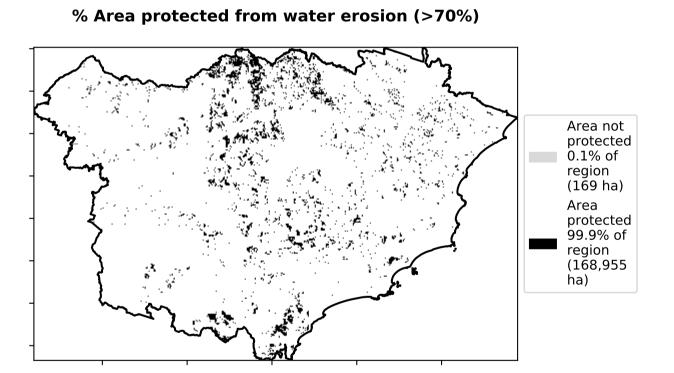


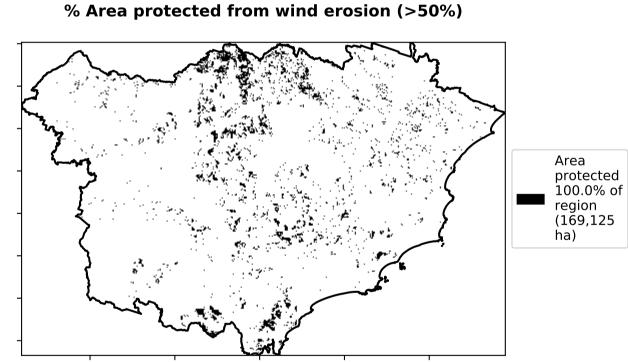
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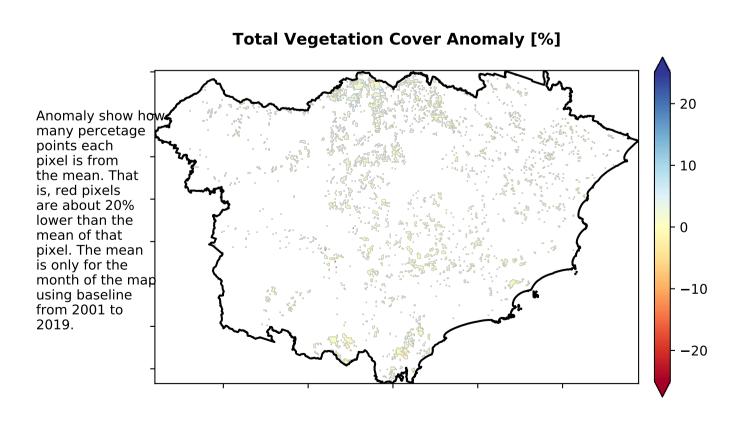
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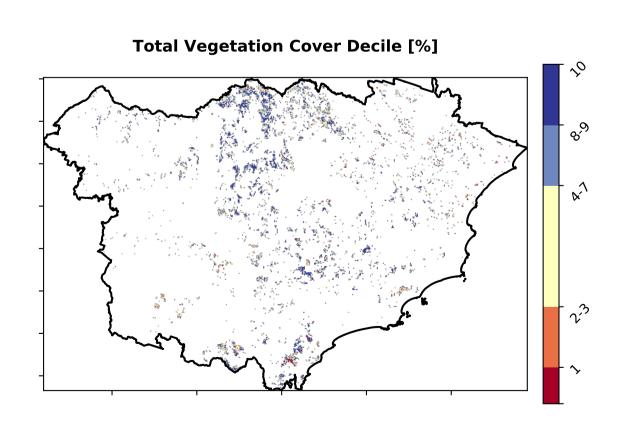
Total Vegetation Cover [%]









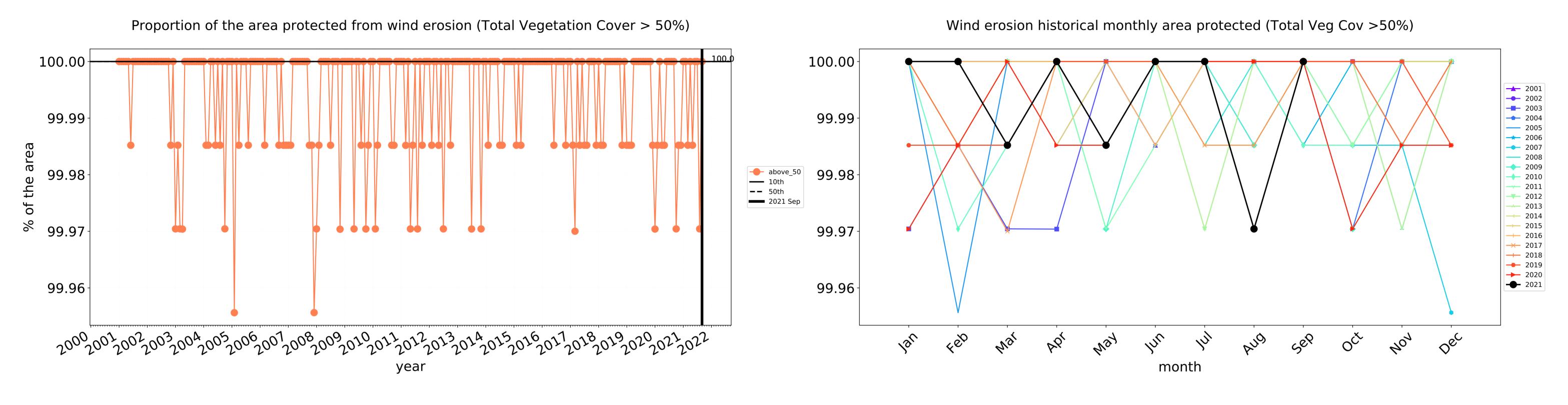


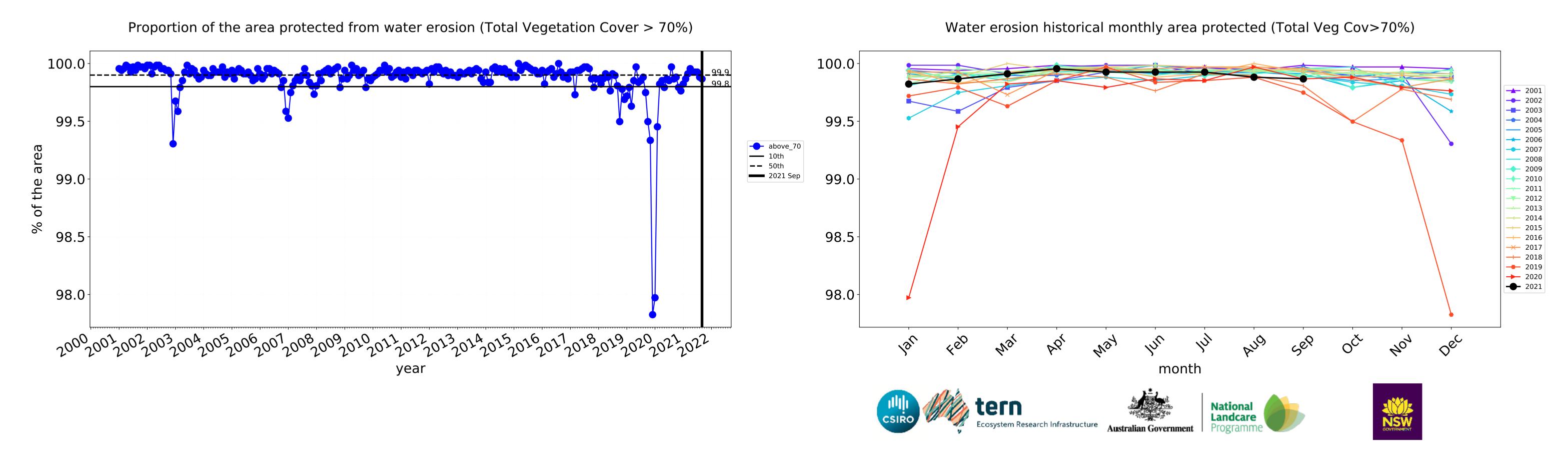


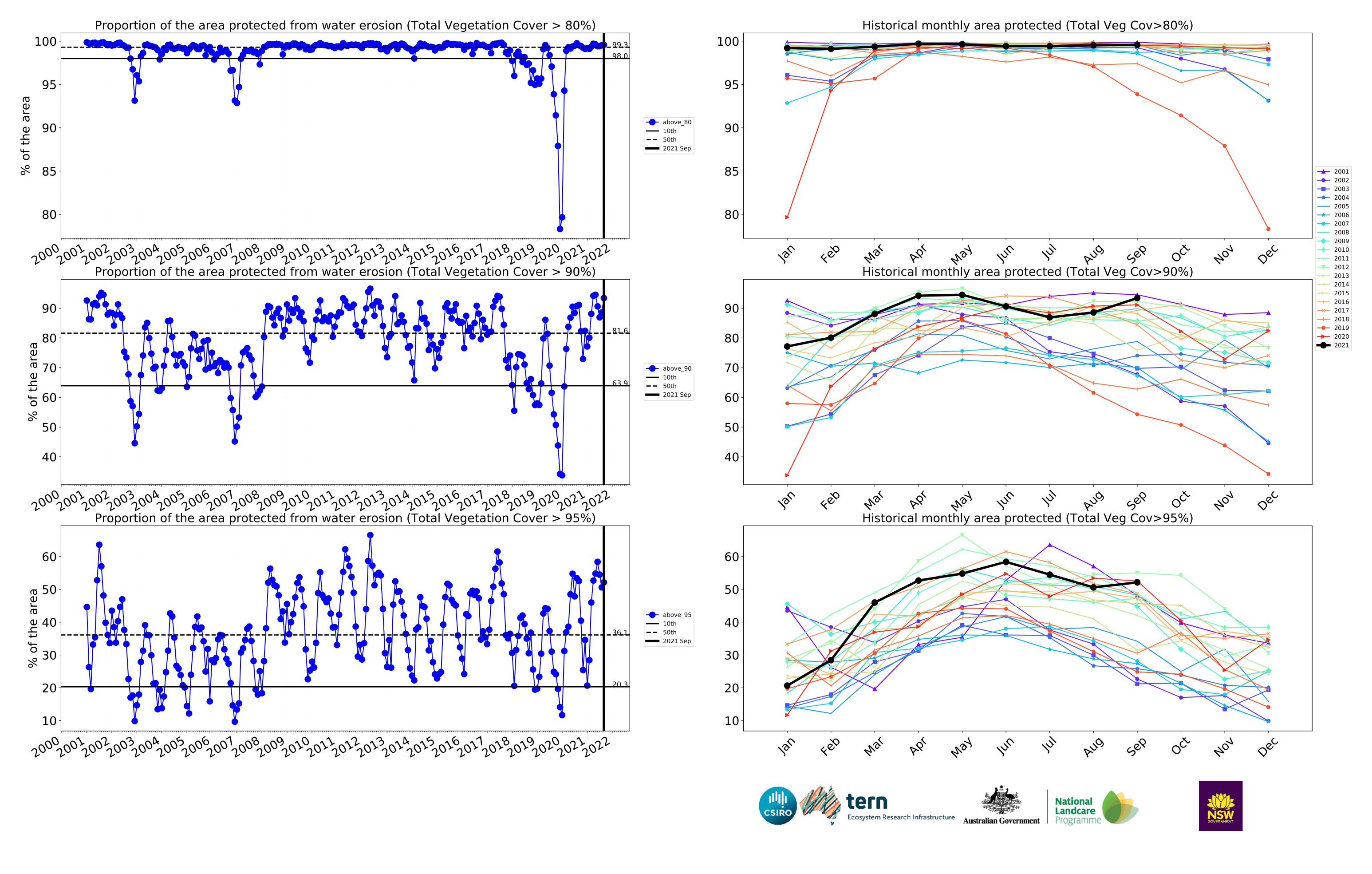






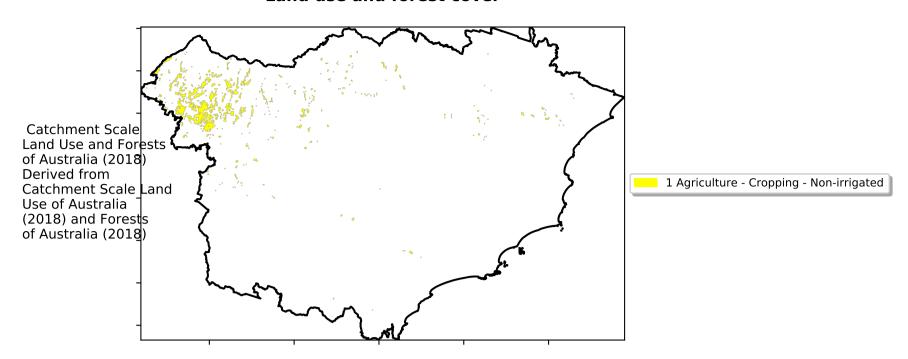




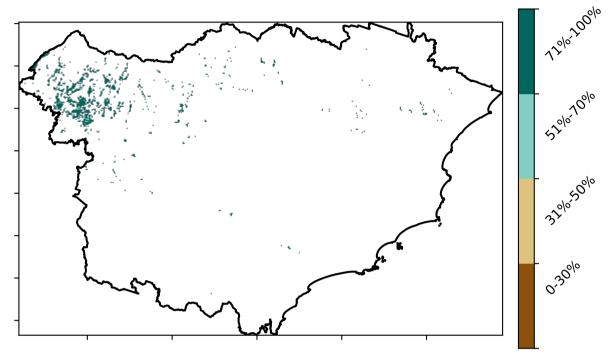


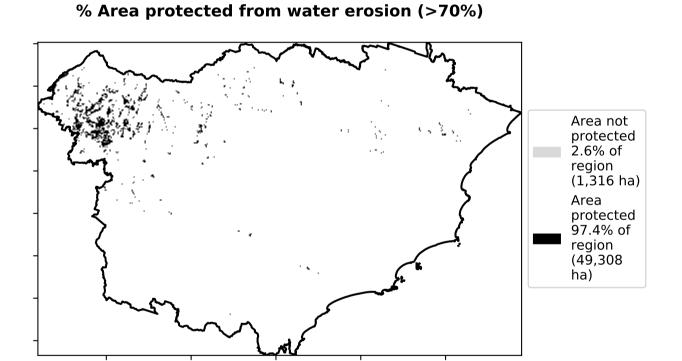
Cropping

Land use and forest cover

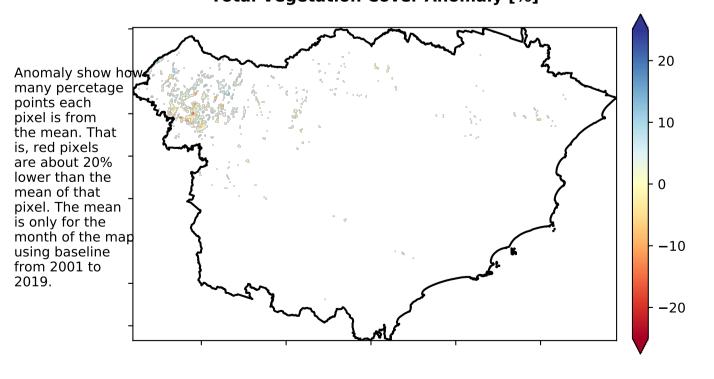


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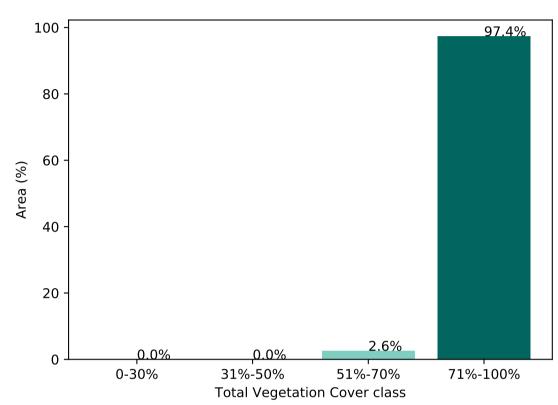


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

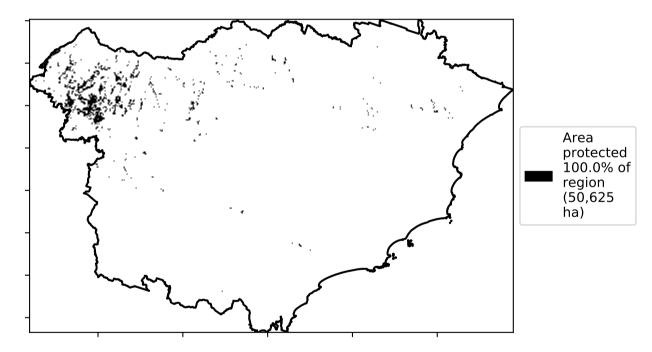


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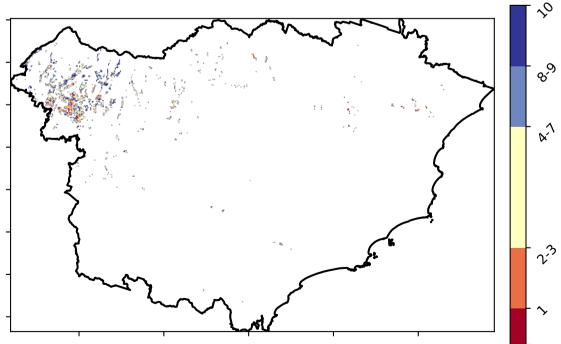
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



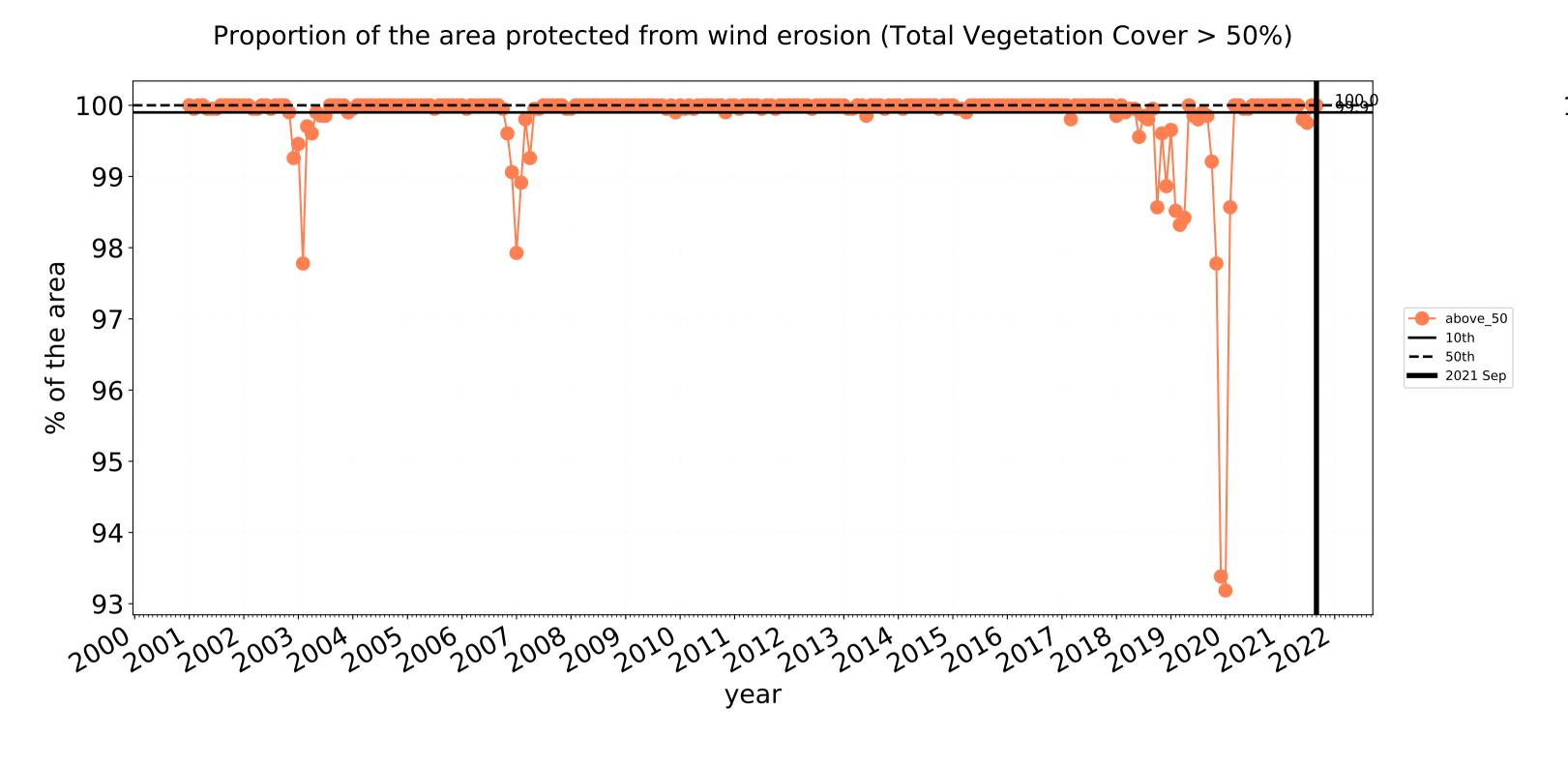


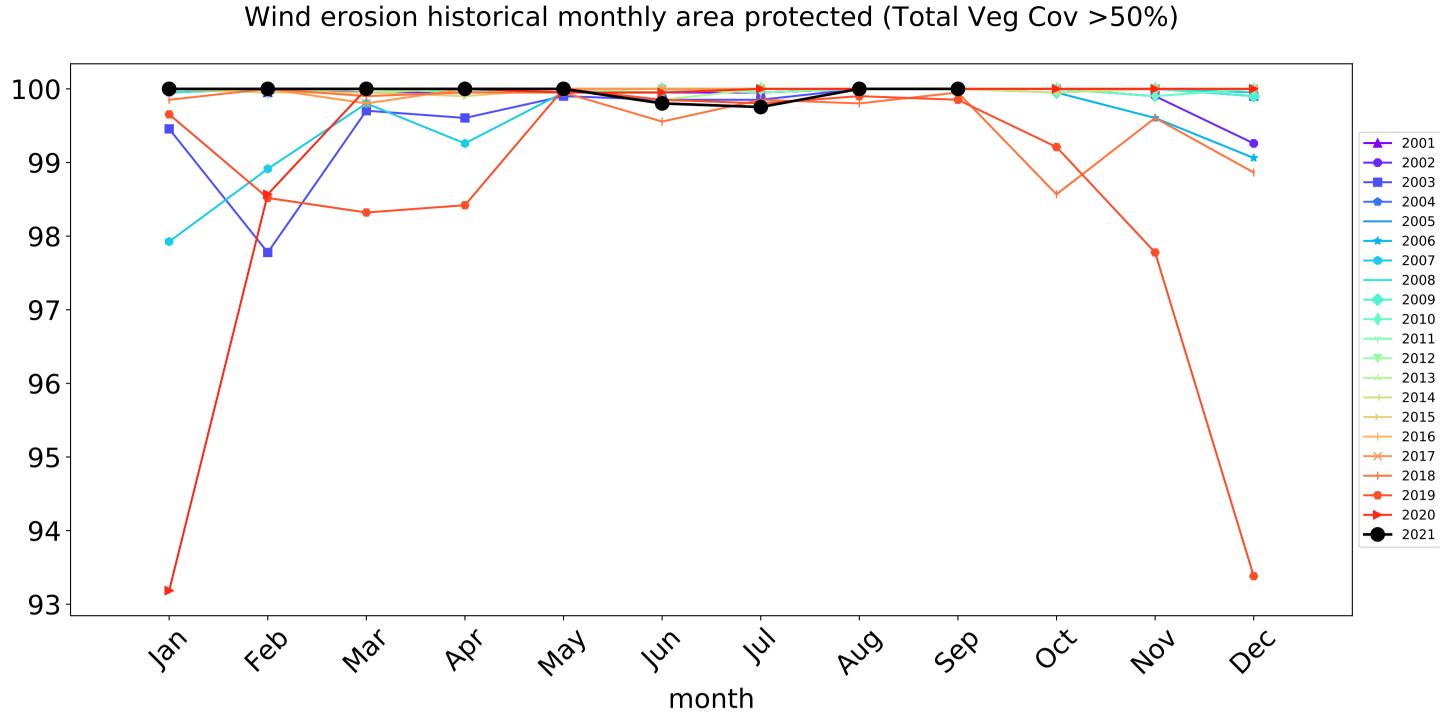


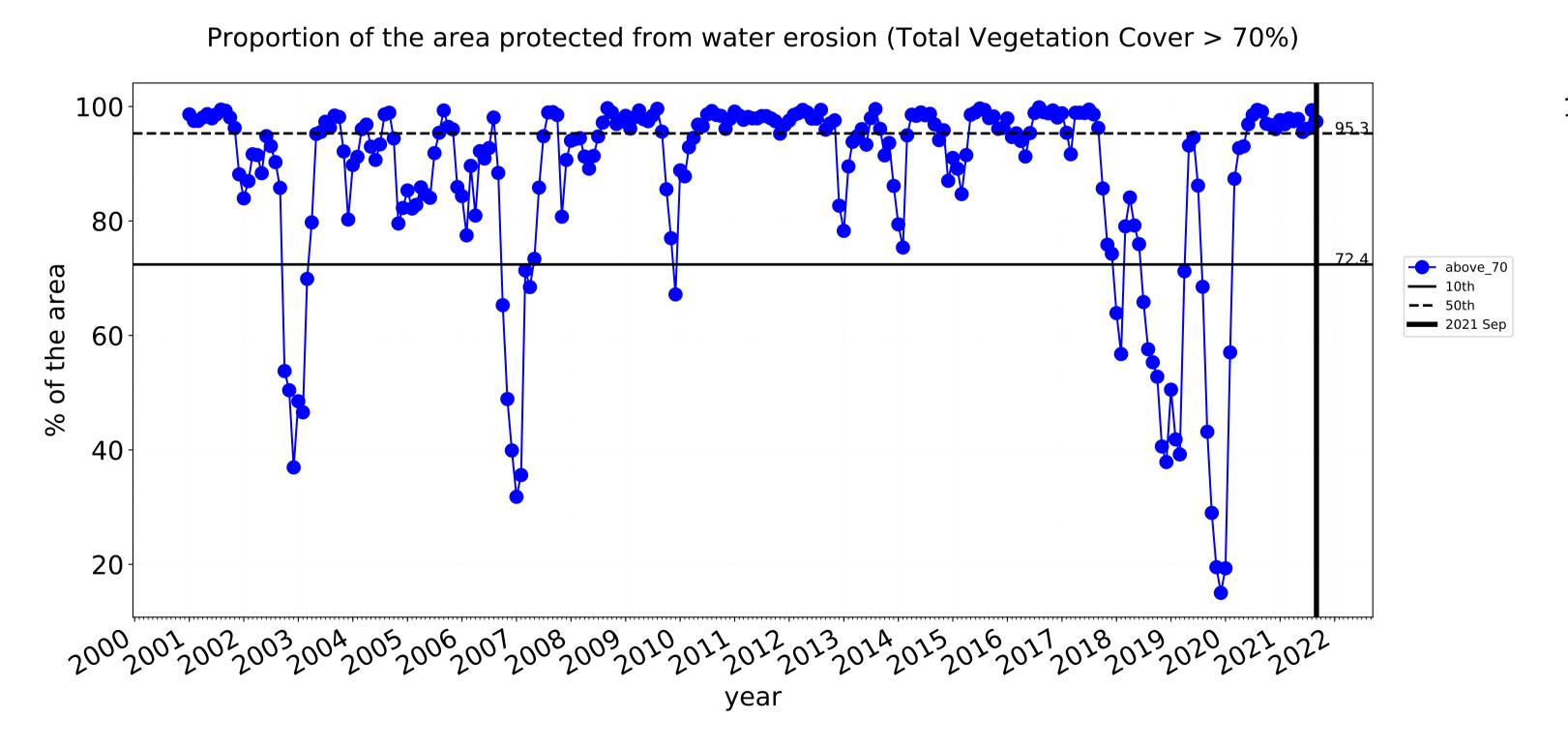


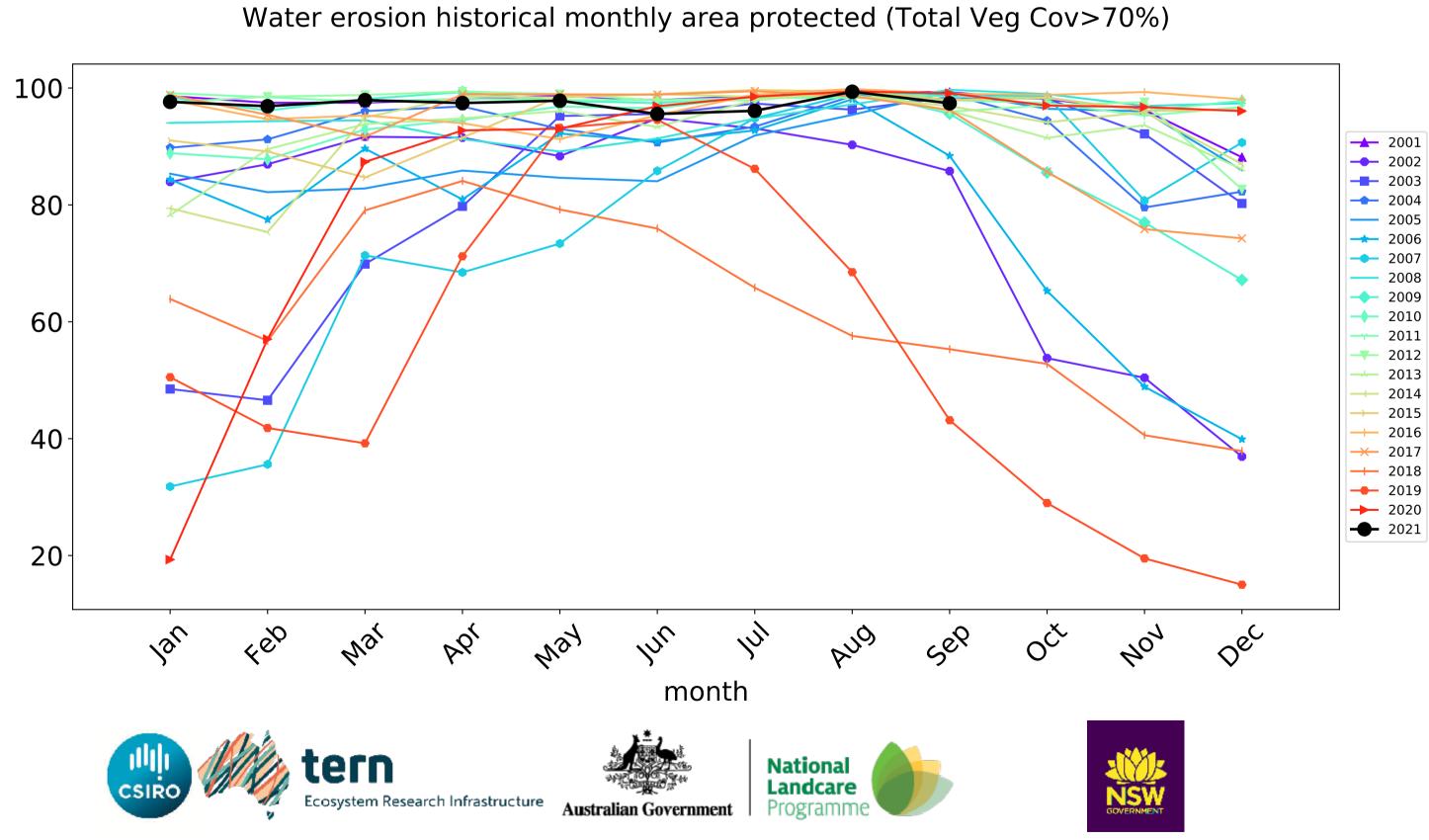


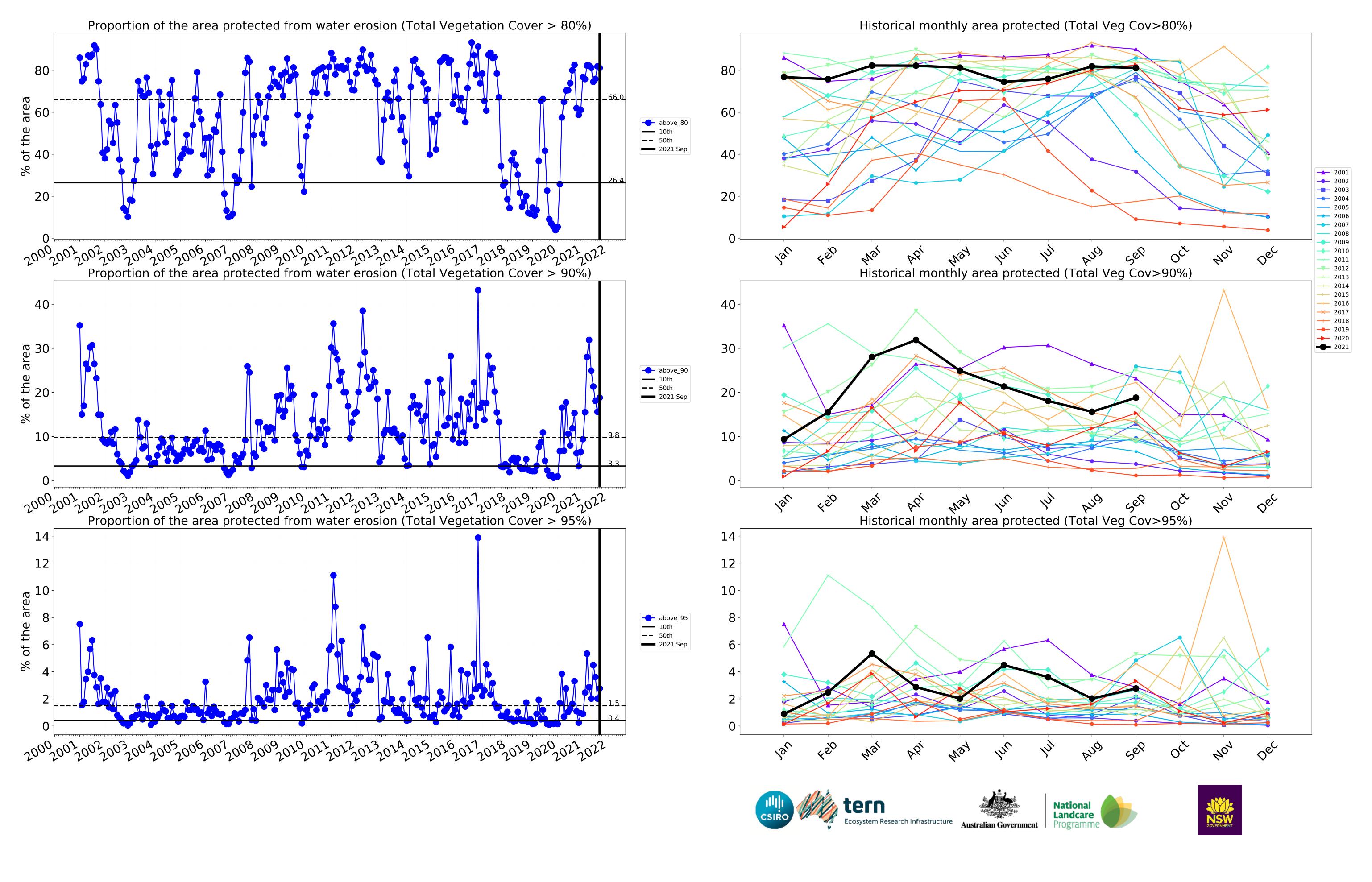
Cropping timeseries







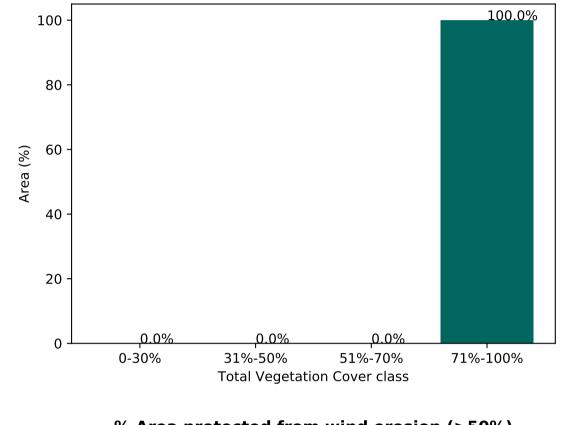




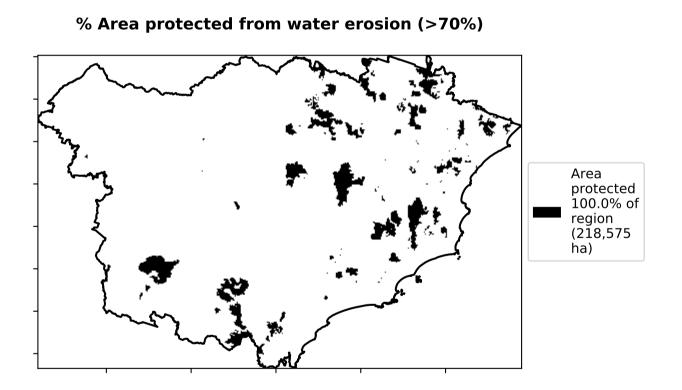
Production native forests and plantation forests

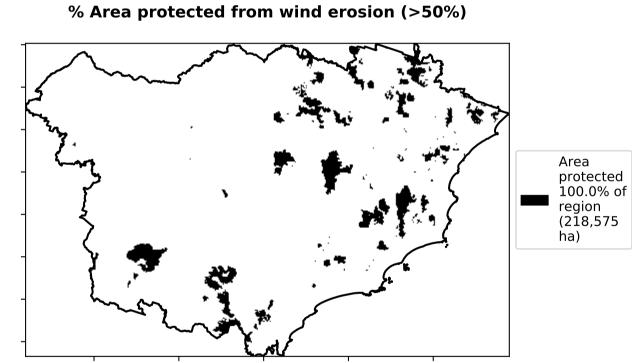
Land use and forest cover Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from 1 Production native forests and plantation forests Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

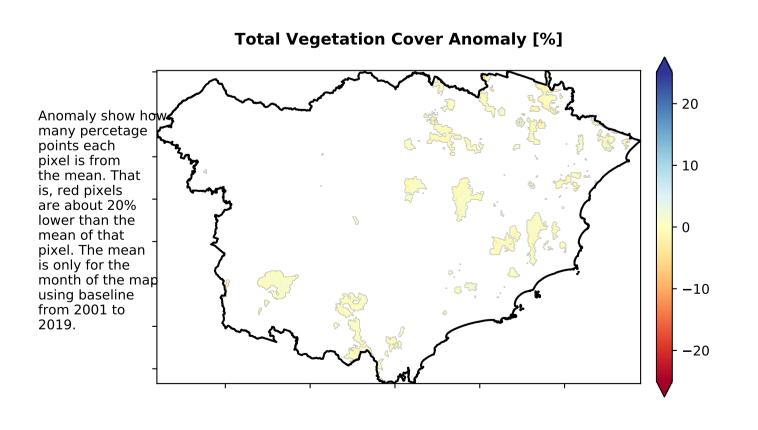
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

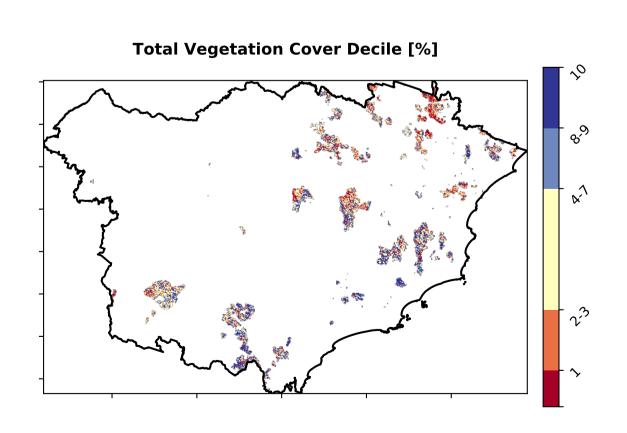


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area









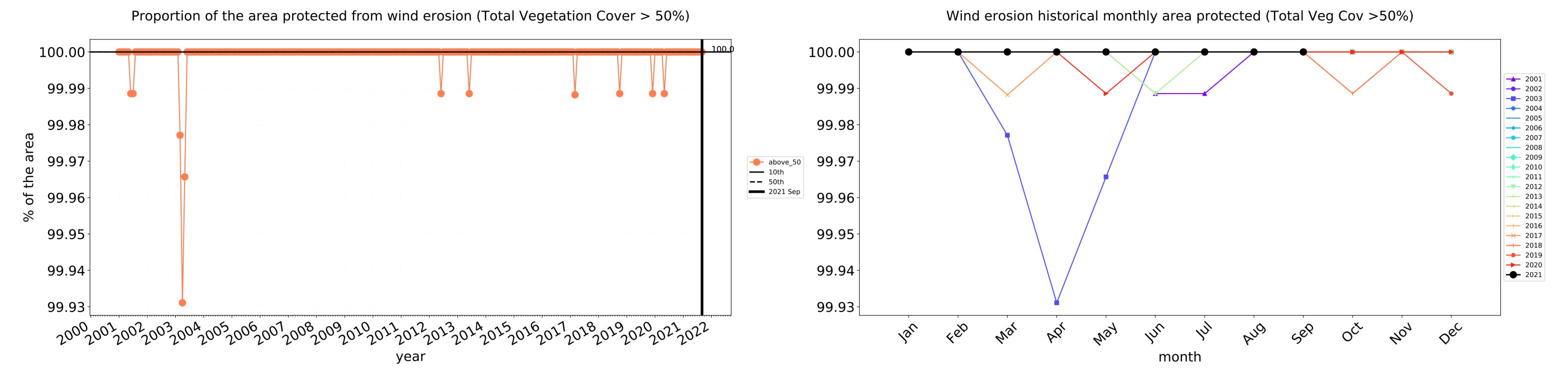


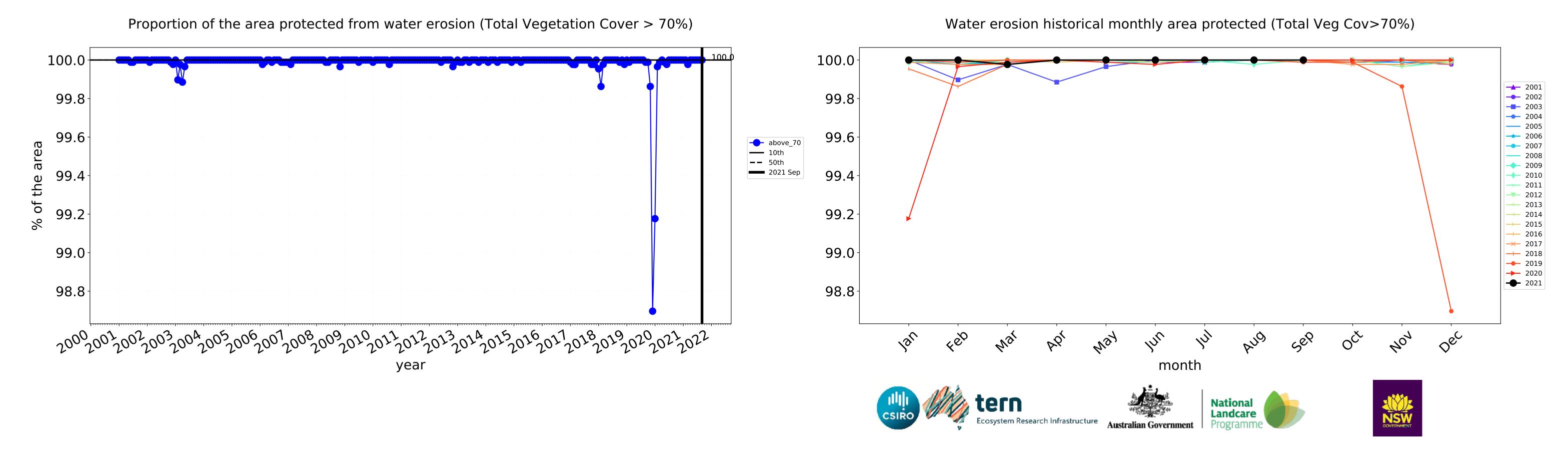


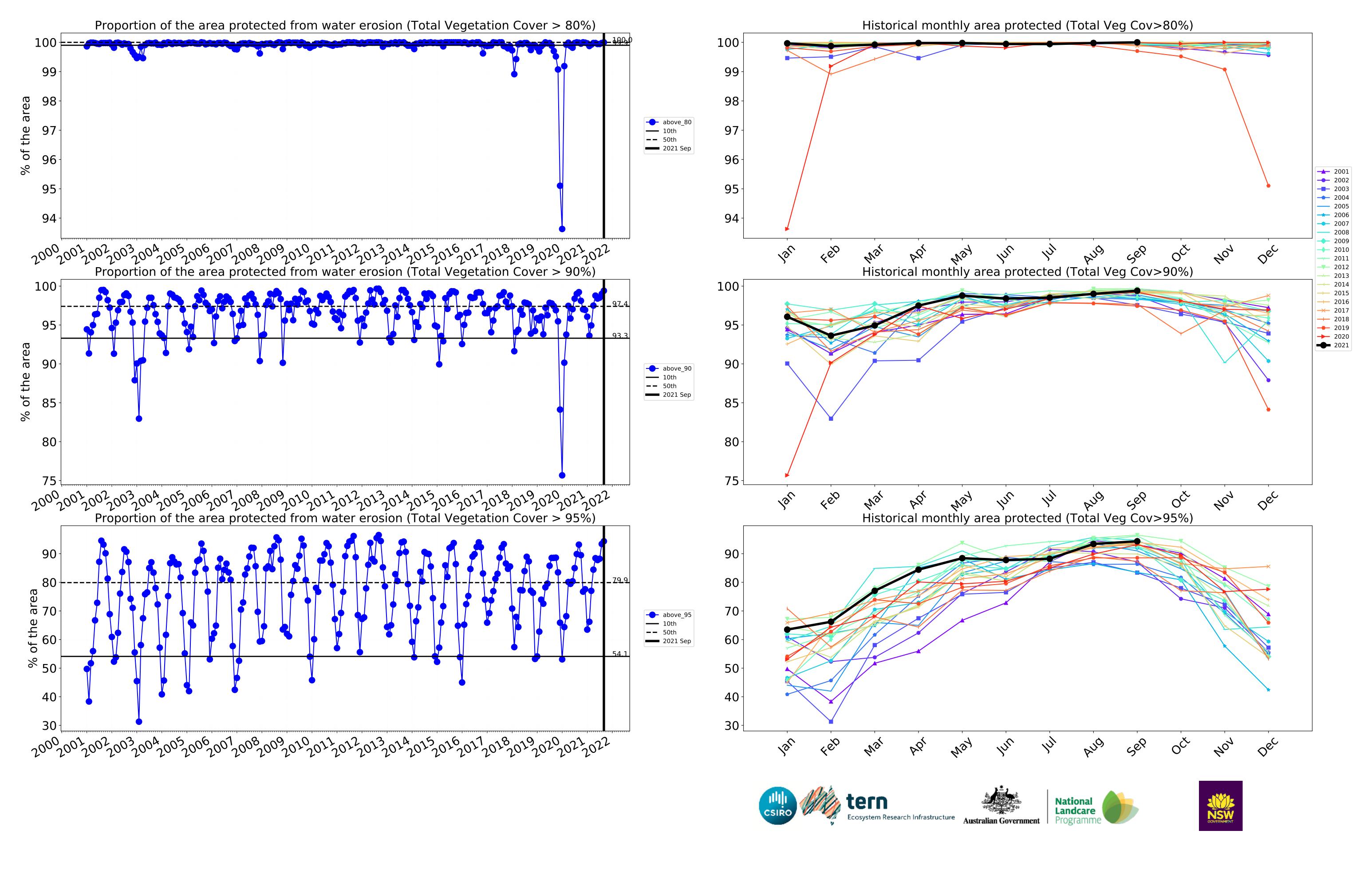




Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries







Hunter (3,239,975 ha and no data 60,450 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	3,239,975	99.9% 3,235,450	99.6% 3,226,575	98.6% 3,195,125	96.8% 3,135,150	82.4% 2,668,275	50.5% 1,636,700
Conservation and natural environments	1,241,250	99.9% 1,239,800	99.8% 1,238,925	99.7% 1,236,925	99.4% 1,233,500	93.2% 1,156,625	69.3% 860,425
Conservation and natural environments non forest	30,275	95.4% 28,875	93.1% 28,200	89.3% 27,050	85.9% 26,000	65.7% 19,900	31.5% 9,525
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	138,825	100.0% 138,800	99.9% 138,675	99.8% 138,525	99.5% 138,100	88.3% 122,600	42.5% 58,950
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	1,072,150	100.0% 1,072,125	100.0% 1,072,050	99.9% 1,071,350	99.7% 1,069,400	94.6% 1,014,125	73.9% 791,950
Agriculture	1,580,575	100.0% 1,580,475	99.9% 1,579,650	99.6% 1,574,925	98.2% 1,551,900	77.9% 1,231,250	34.9% 551,200
Grazing	1,502,575	100.0% 1,502,475	99.9% 1,501,650	99.7% 1,498,425	98.9% 1,486,275	81.0% 1,217,575	36.5% 548,975
Grazing non forest	1,212,850	100.0% 1,212,800	99.9% 1,212,100	99.7% 1,209,250	98.8% 1,197,875	78.5% 951,900	35.0% 424,675
Grazing Woodland forest	120,600	100.0% 120,550	99.9% 120,425	99.7% 120,275	99.5% 119,975	89.3% 107,700	30.0% 36,150
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	169,125	100.0% 169,125	100.0% 169,125	99.9% 168,900	99.6% 168,425	93.4% 157,975	52.1% 88,150
Cropping	50,625	100.0% 50,625	100.0% 50,625	97.4% 49,300	81.1% 41,050	18.8% 9,525	2.8% 1,400
Production native forests and plantation forests	218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	99.4% 217,275	94.4% 206,250







