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: June 2023

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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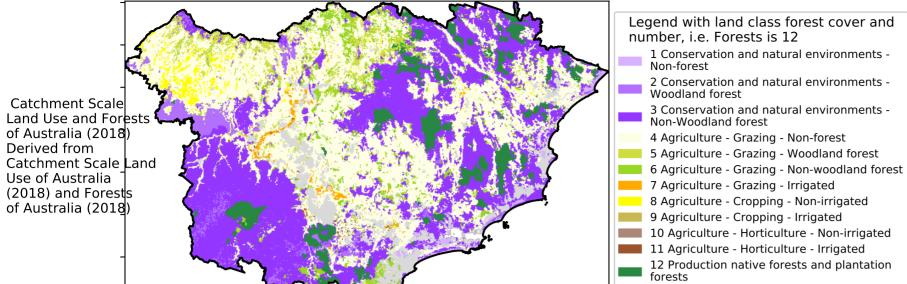




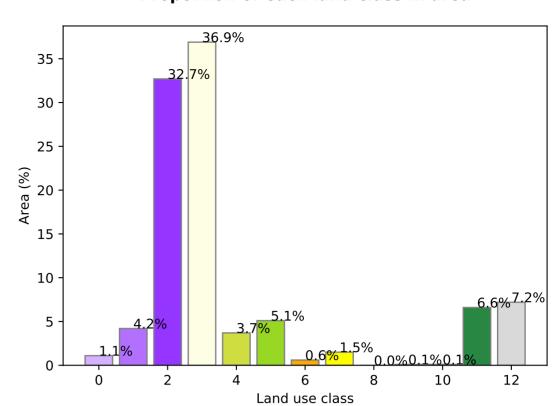
Vegetation Cover Jun 2023

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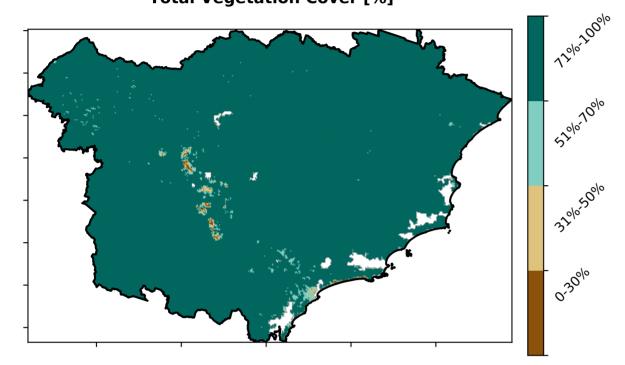
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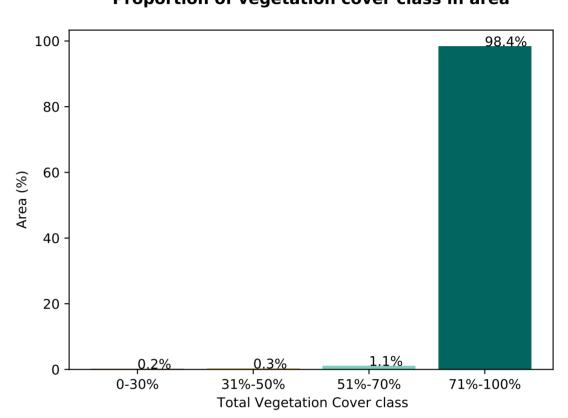
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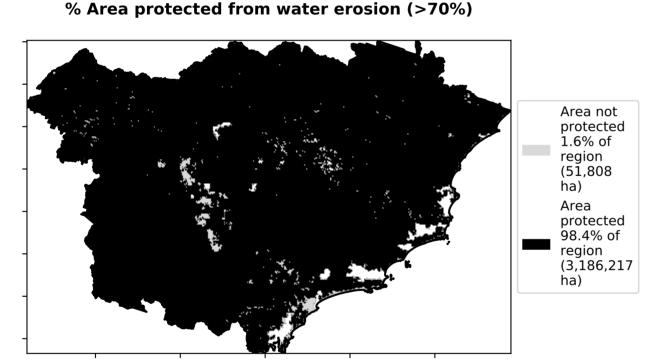


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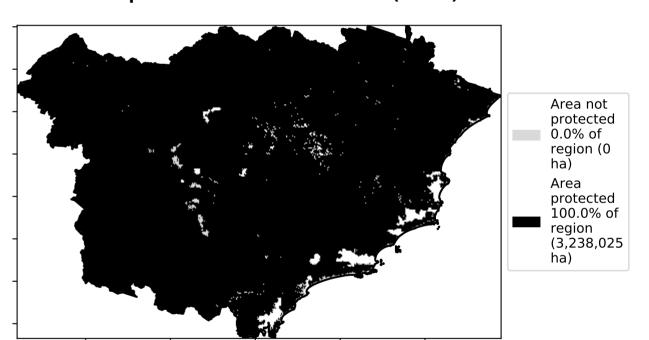


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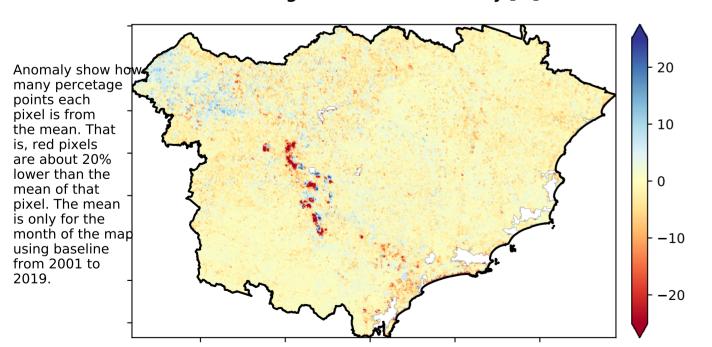




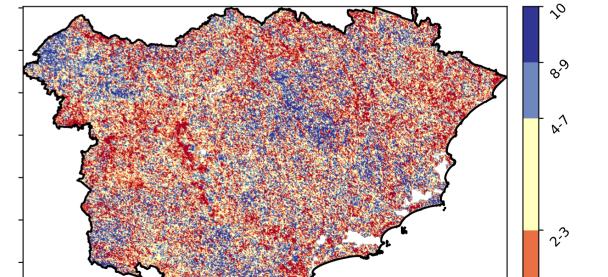
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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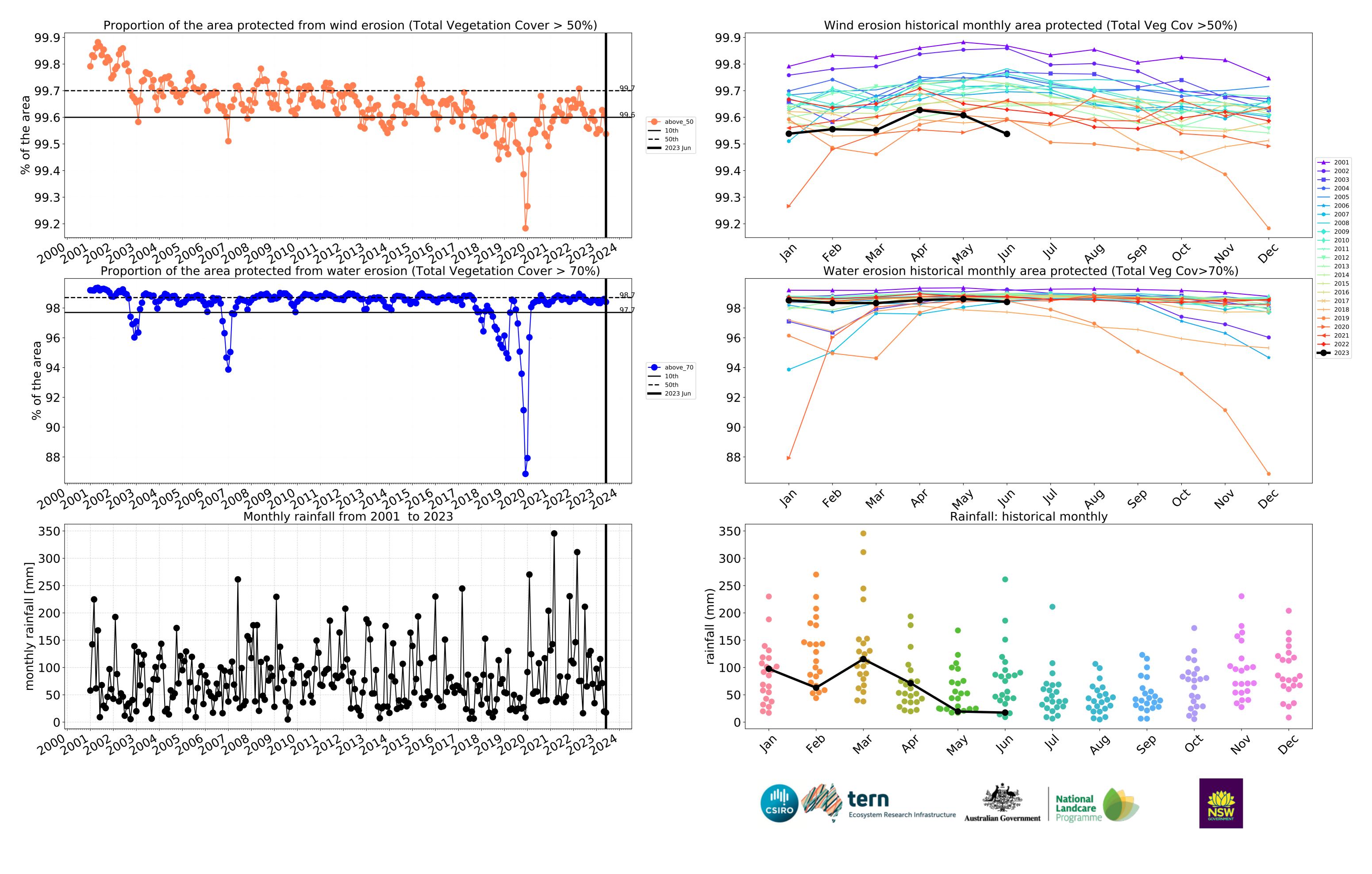
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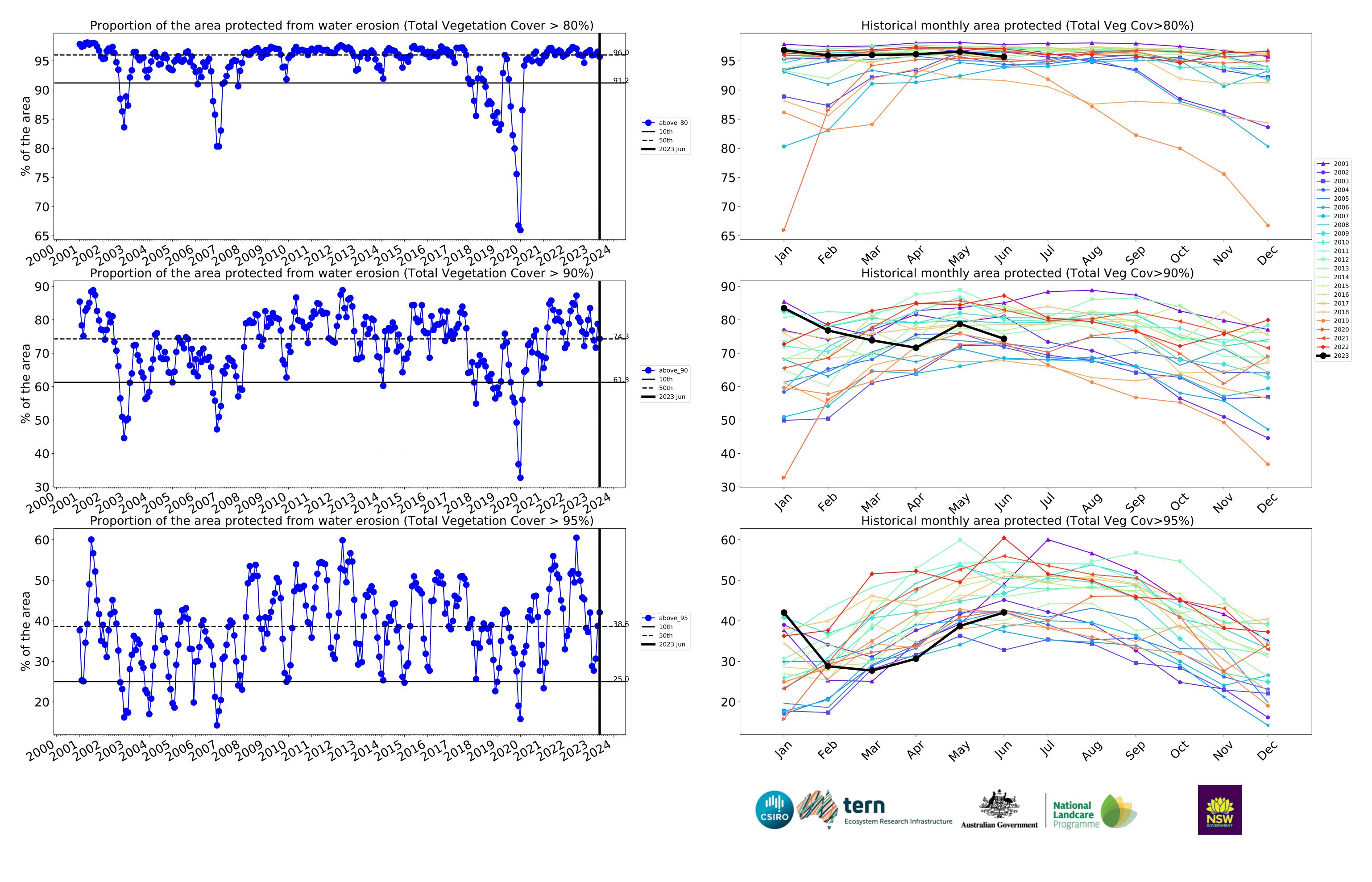




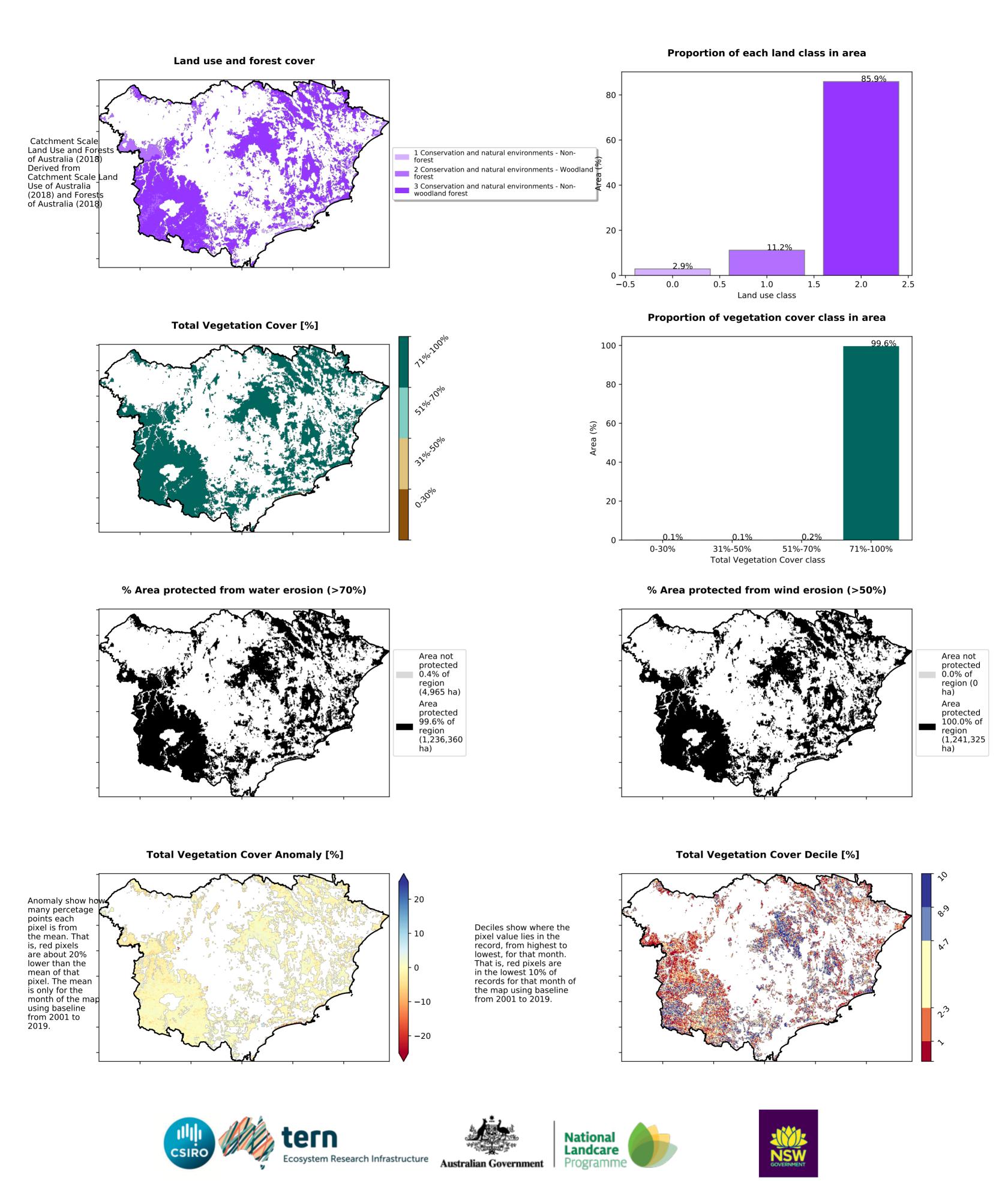




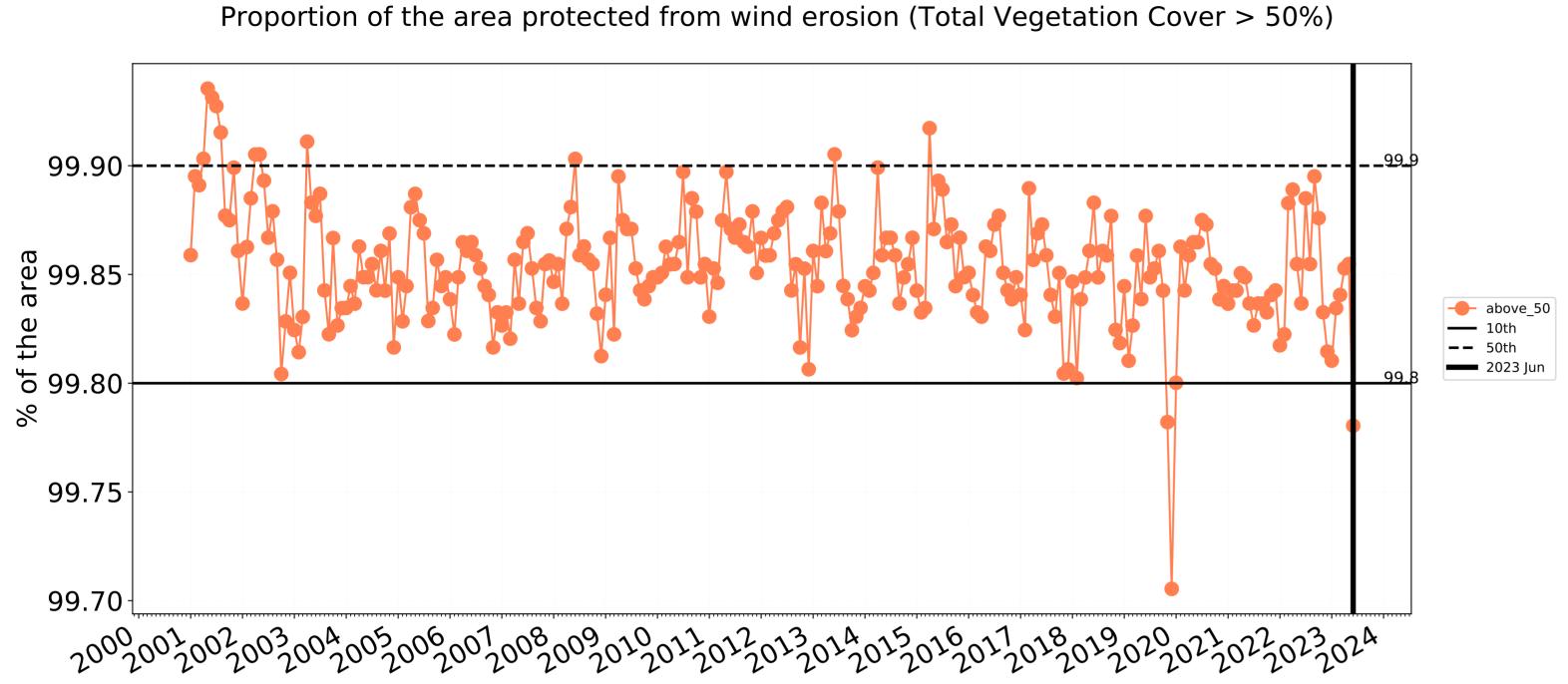
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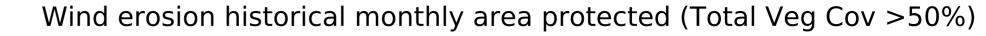


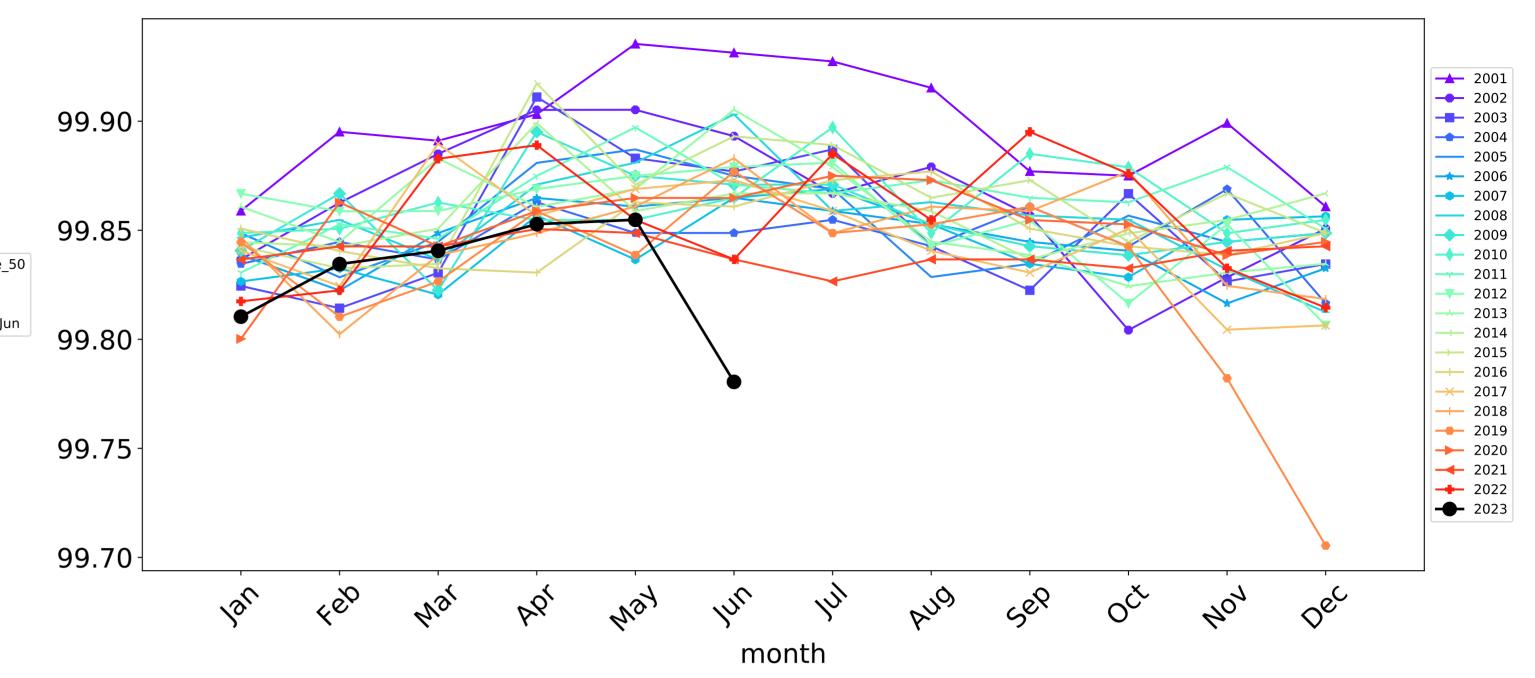
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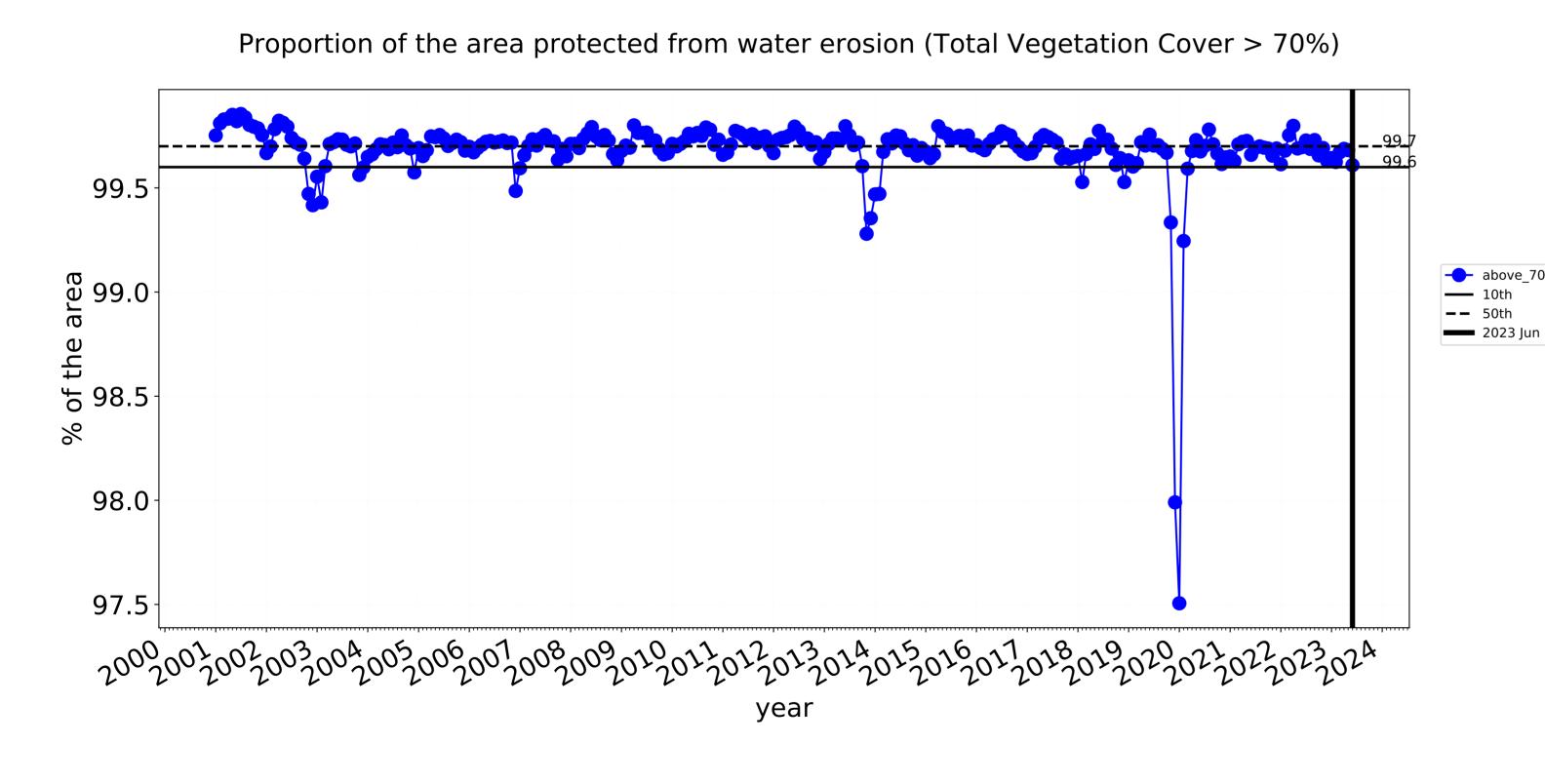


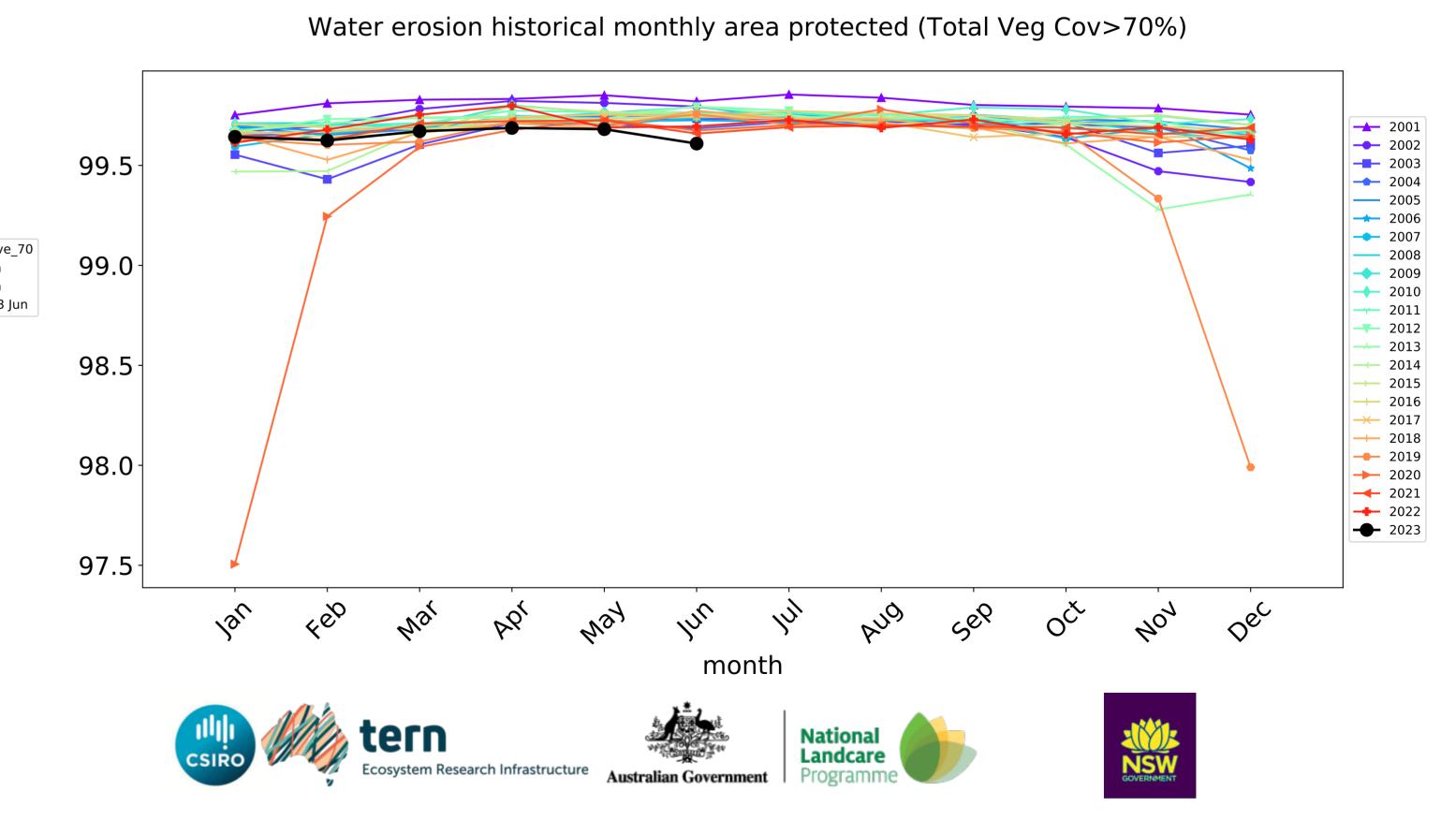
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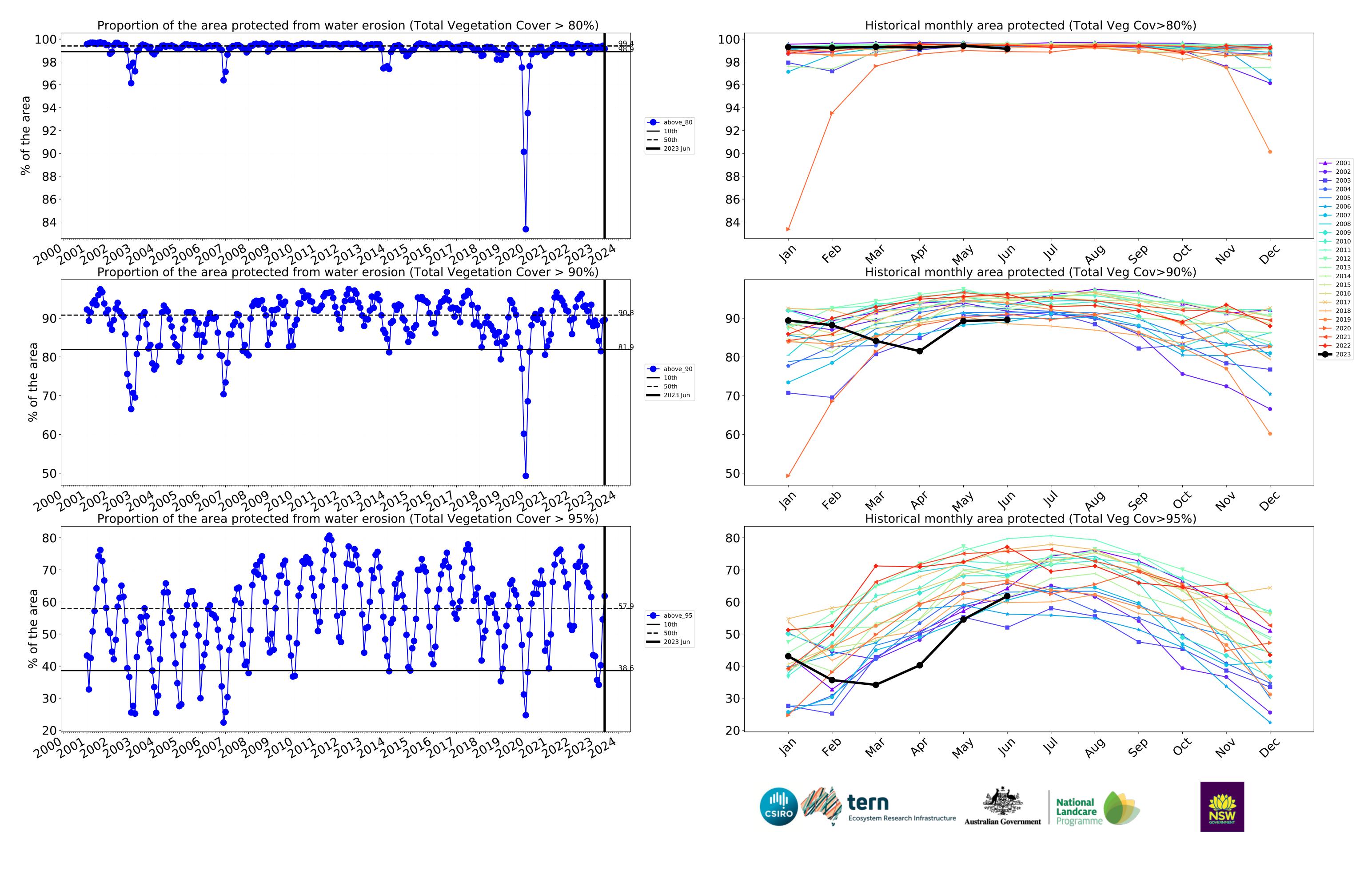










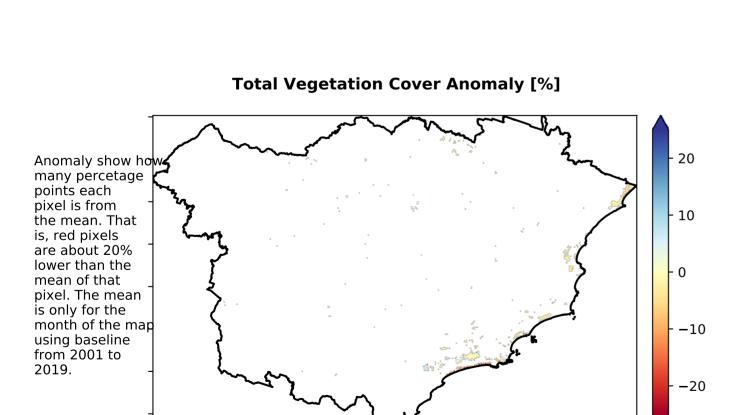


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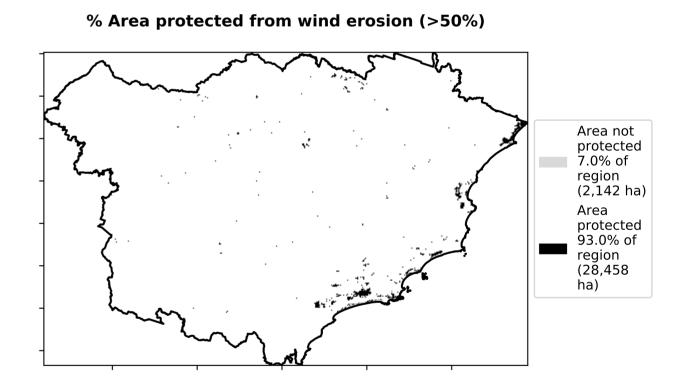
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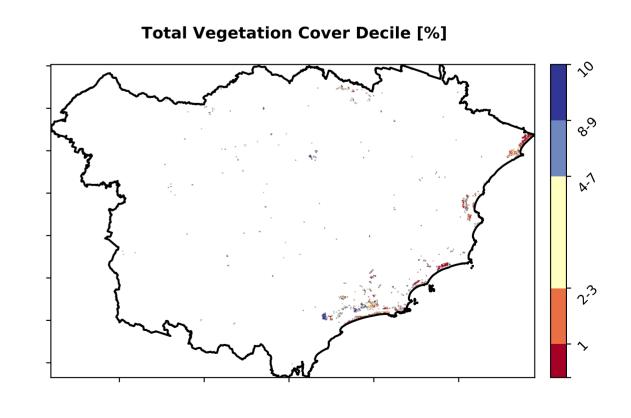
Area not protected 10.7% of region (3,274 ha) Area protected 89.3% of region (27,326 ha)



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80 - 89.3% 89.3% 89.3% 40 - 20 - 4.8% 2.6% 3.3% 71%-100% Total Vegetation Cover class





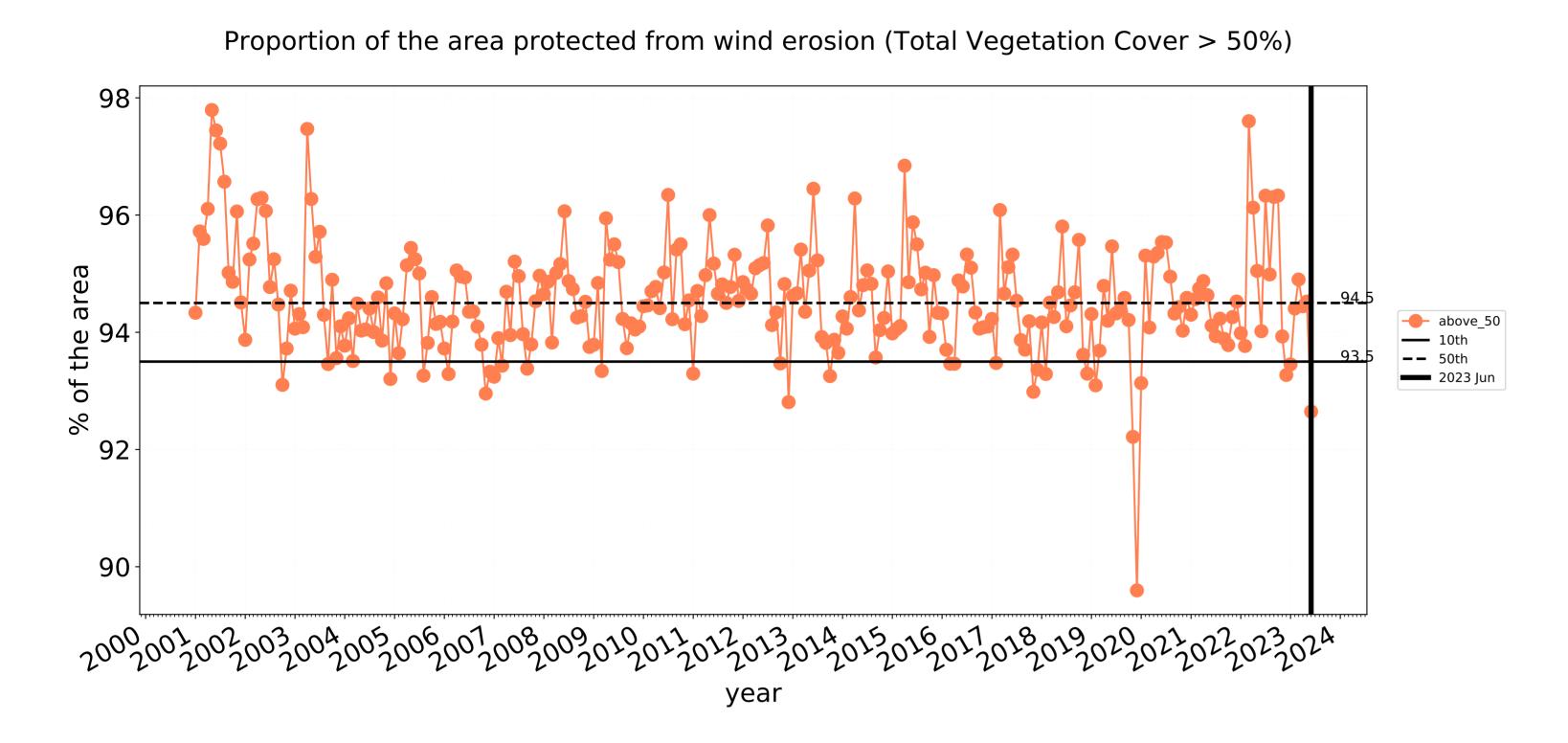


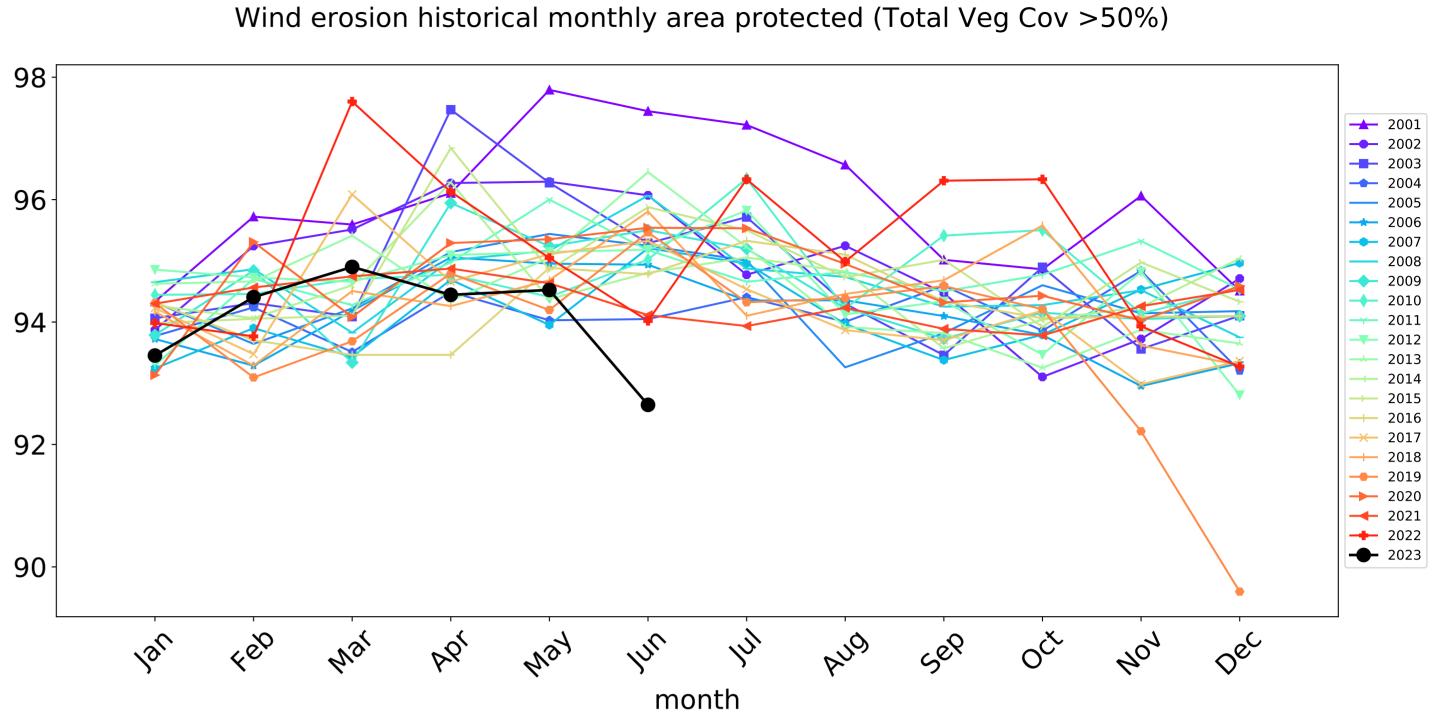


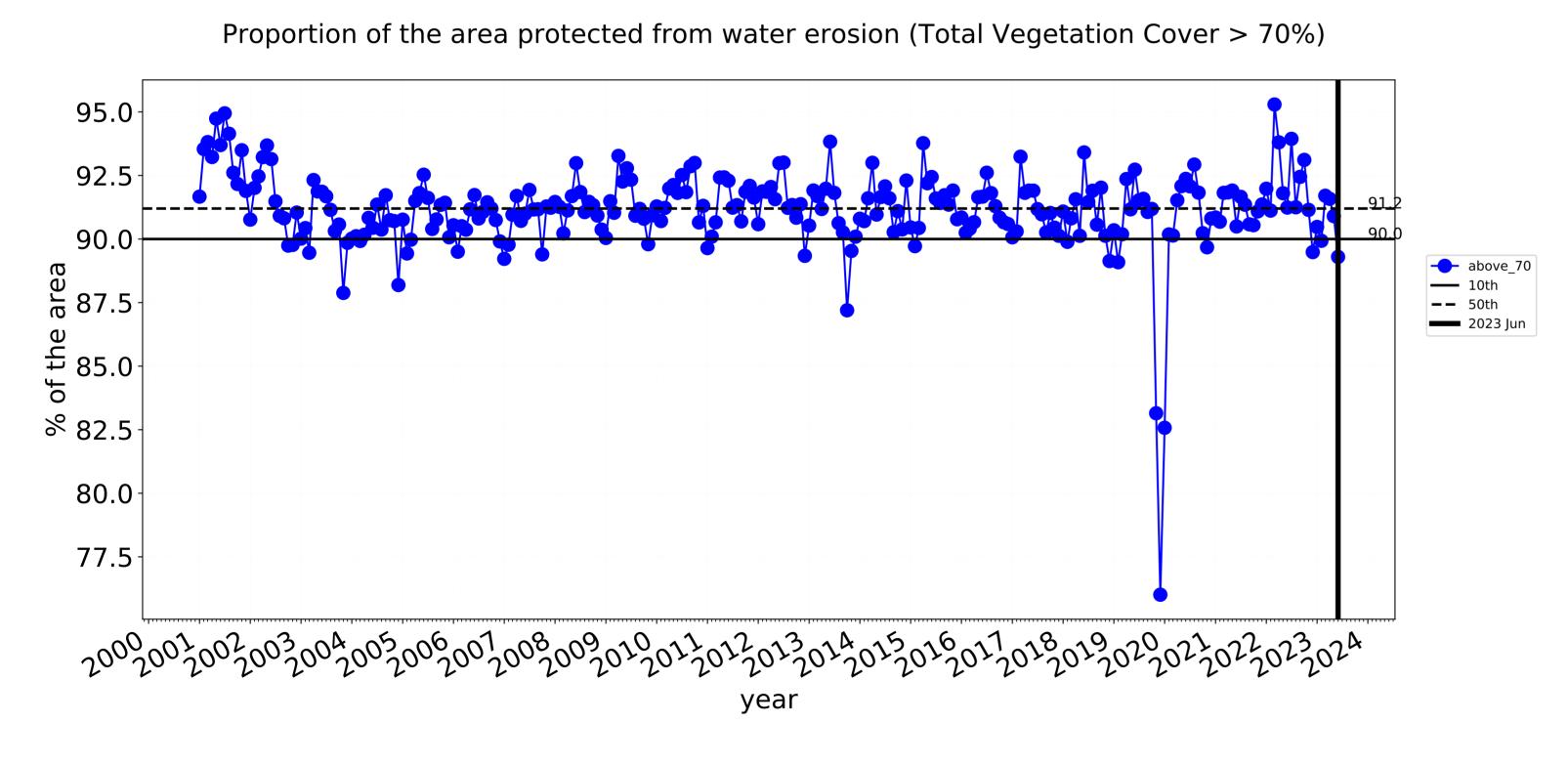


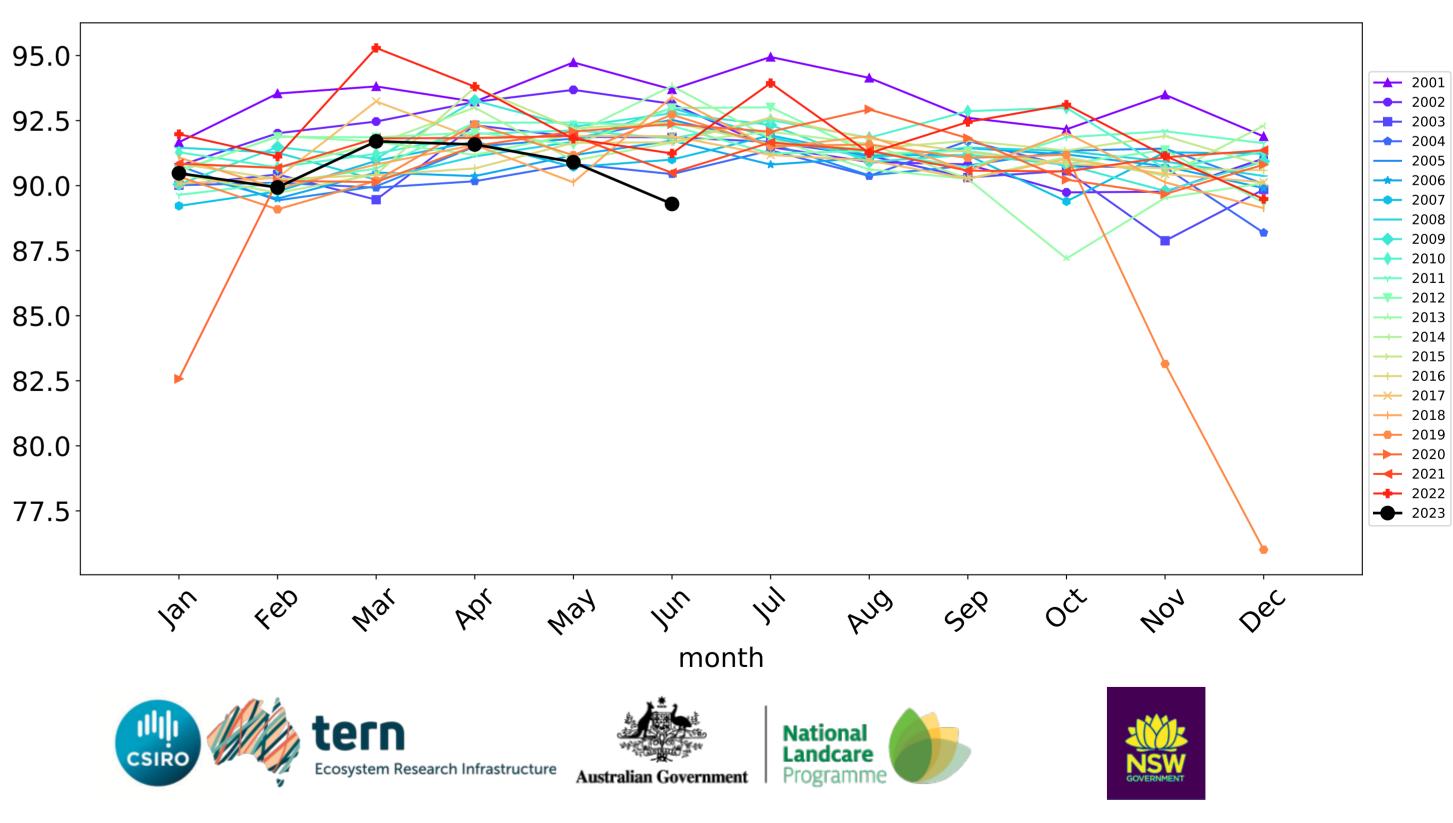


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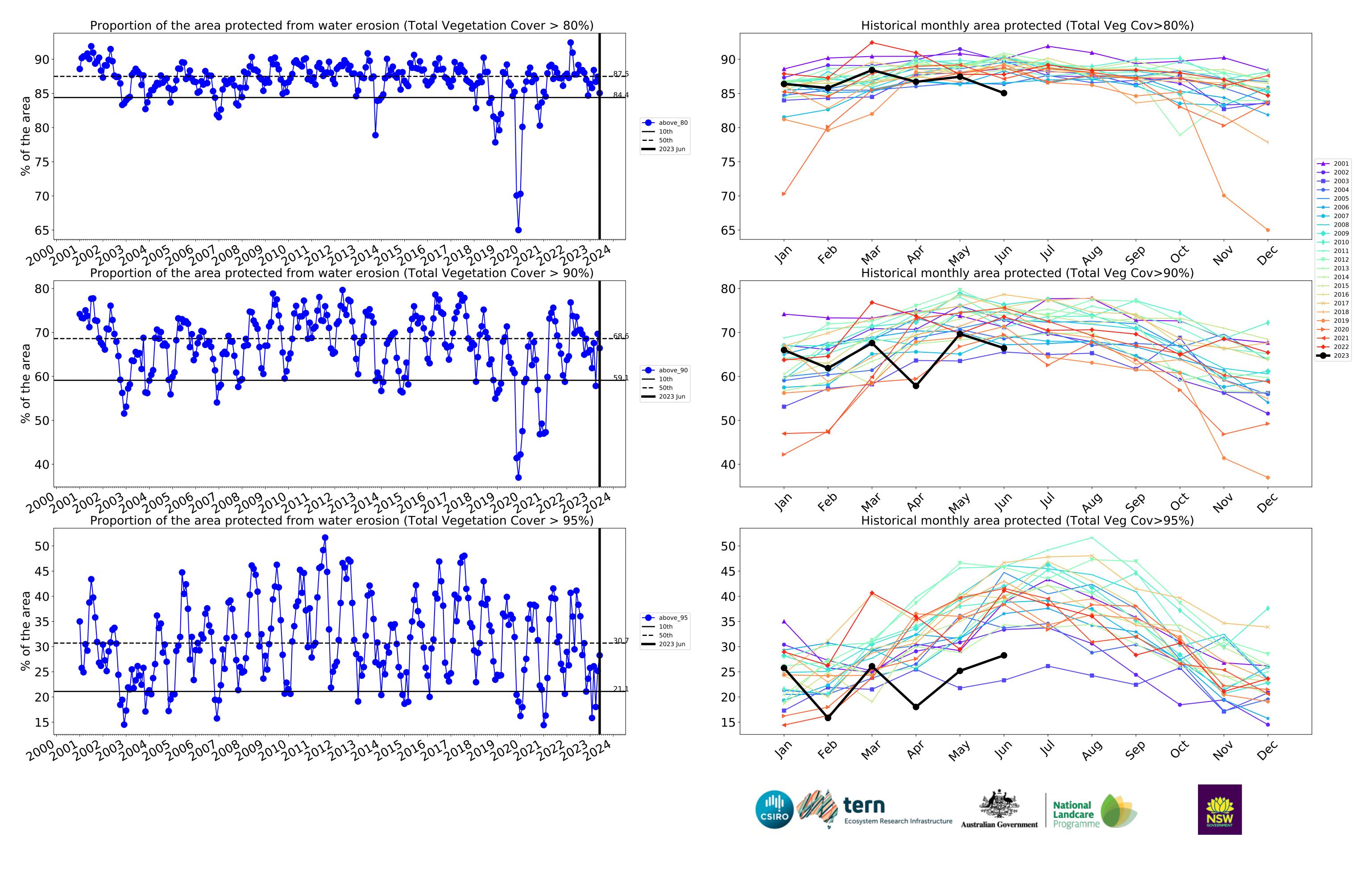




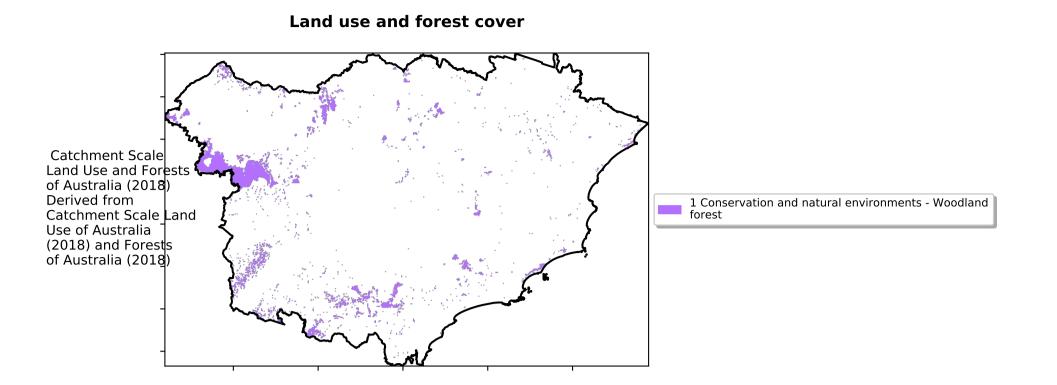


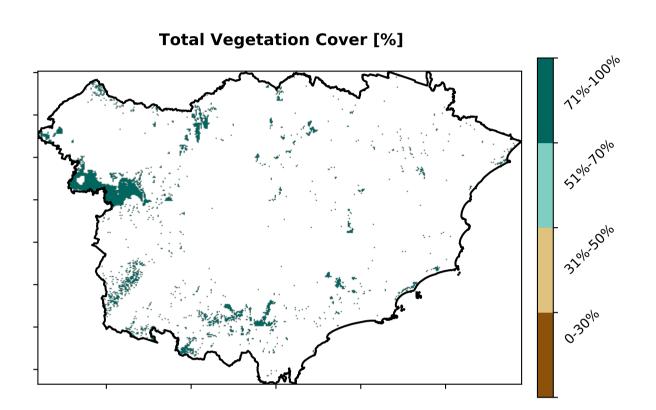


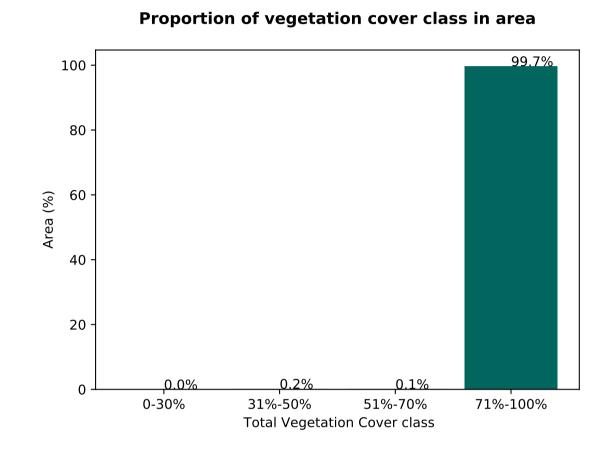
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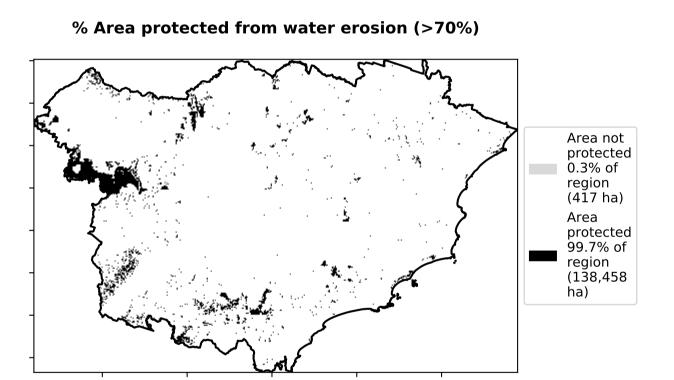


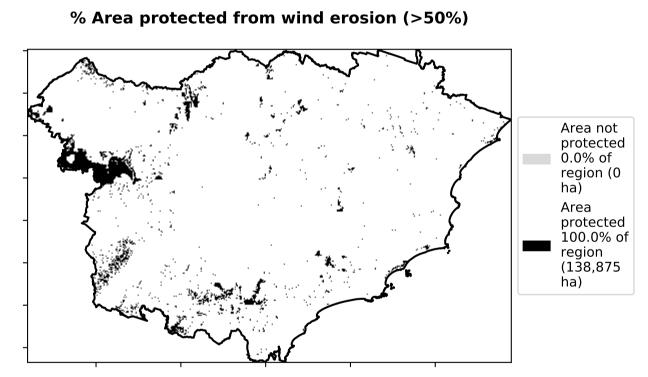
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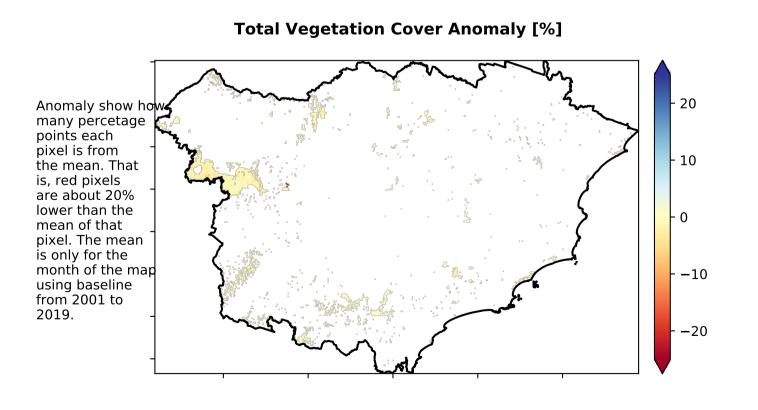




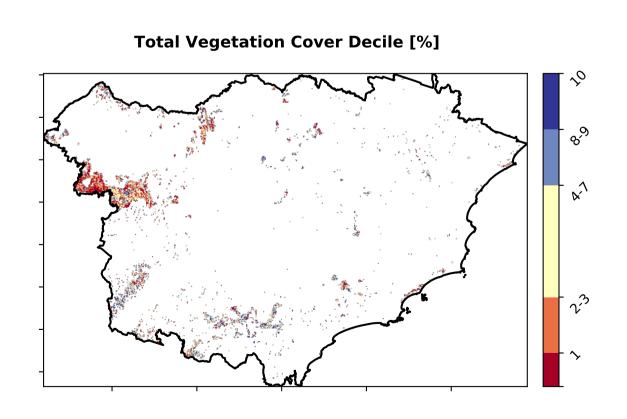








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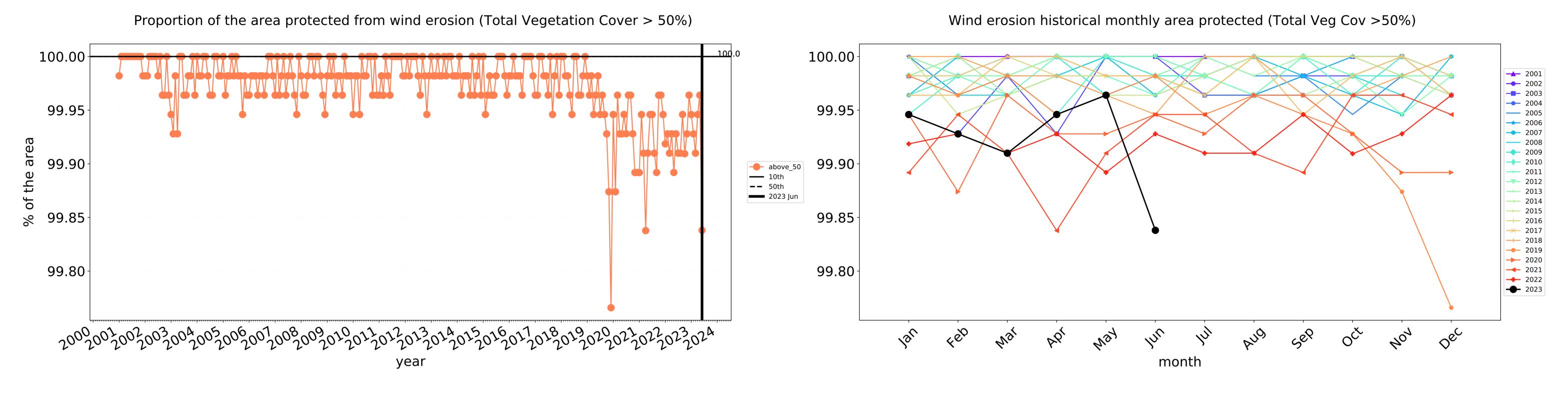


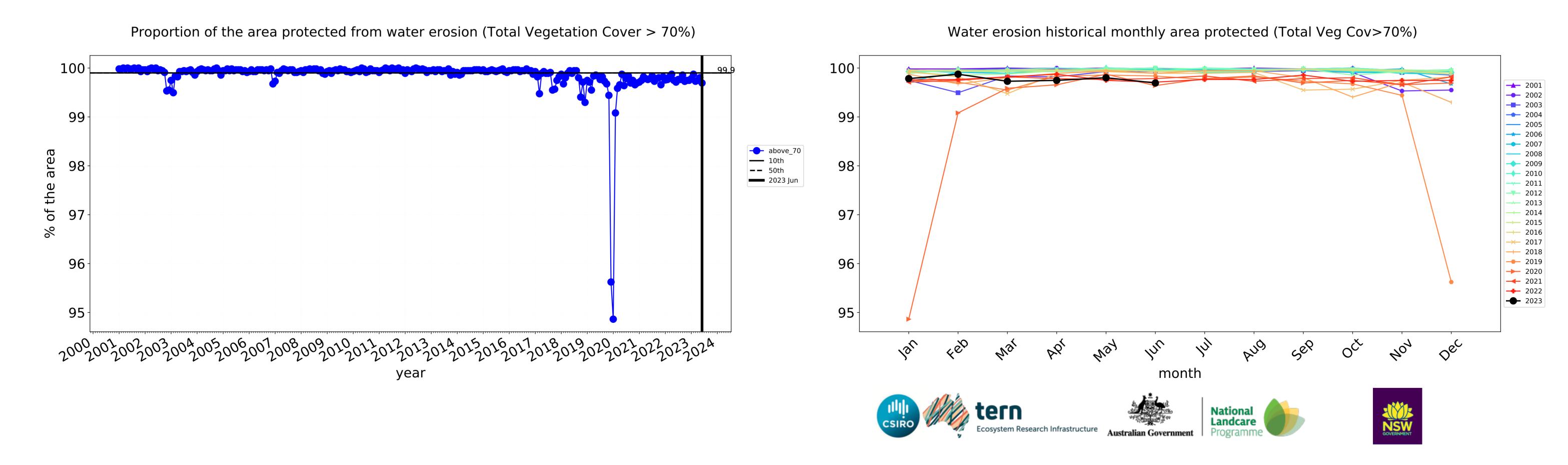


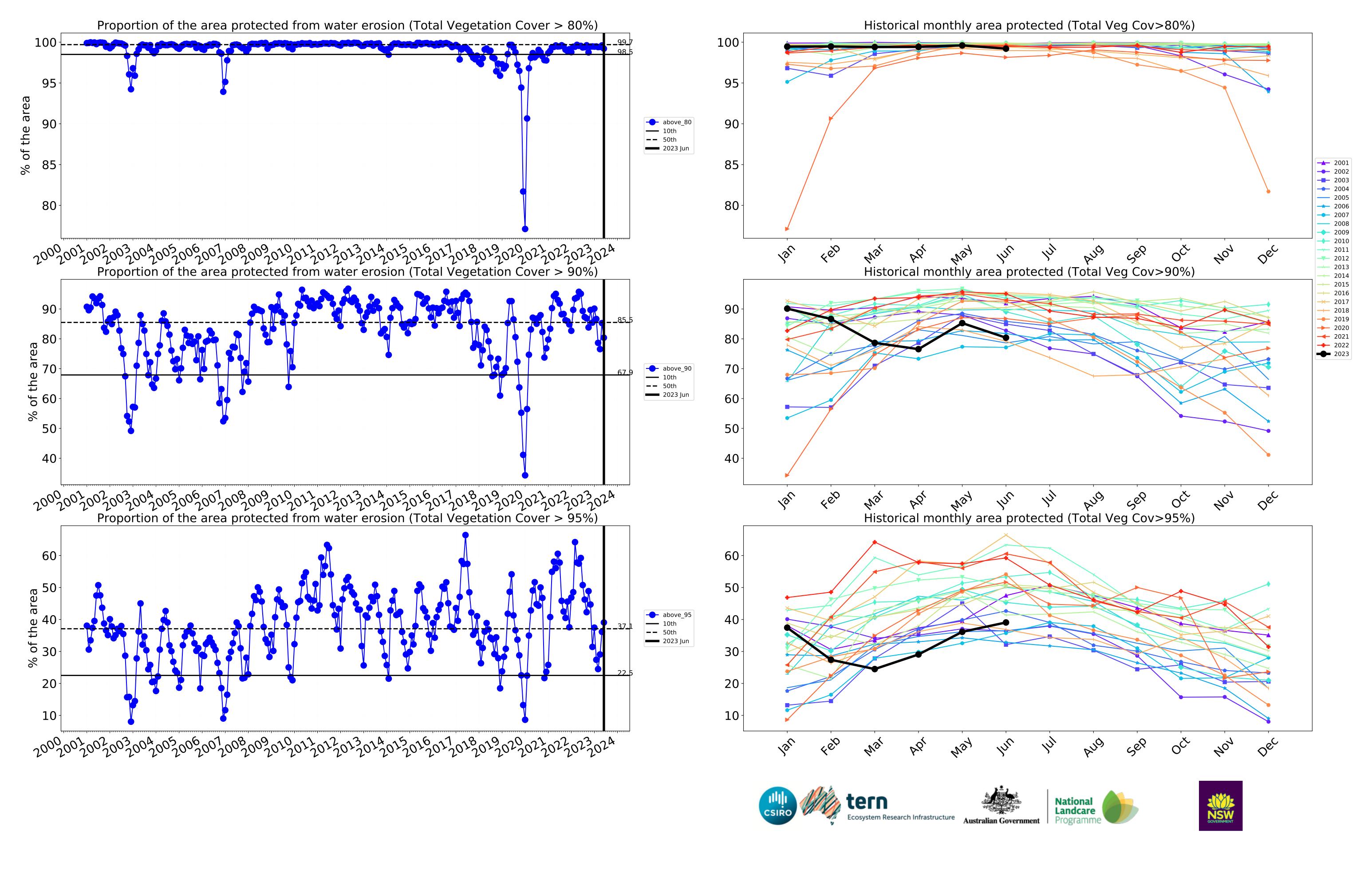




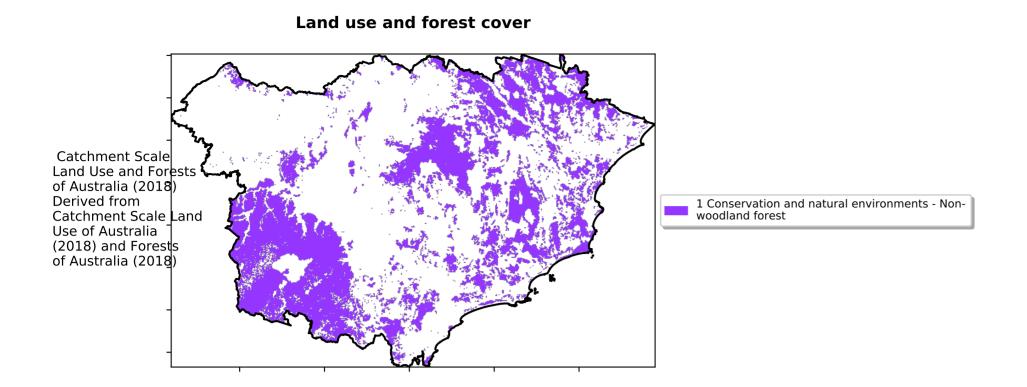
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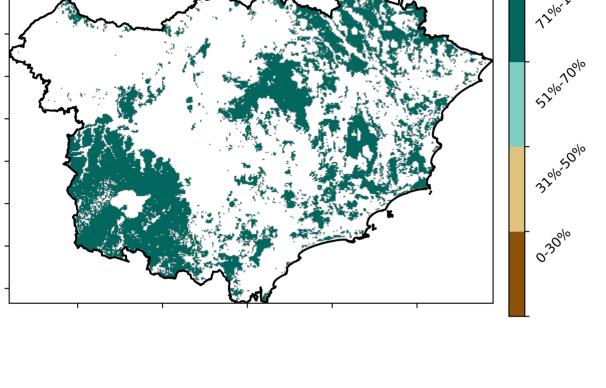


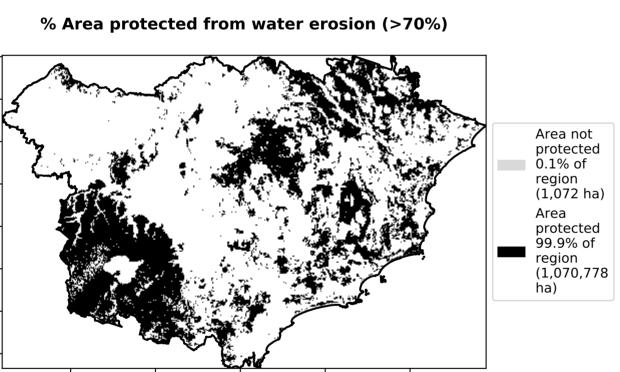


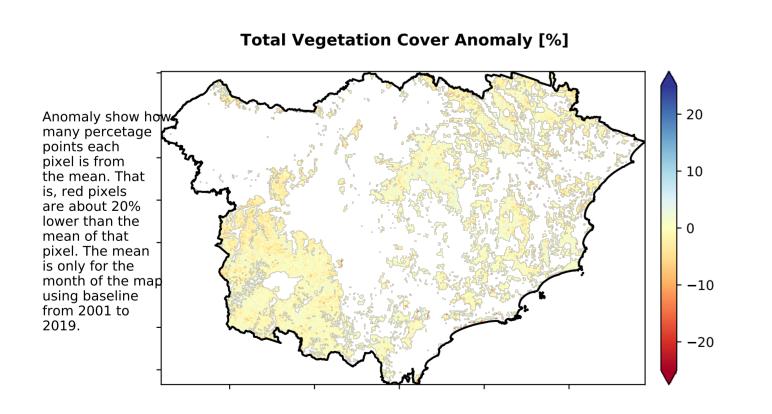
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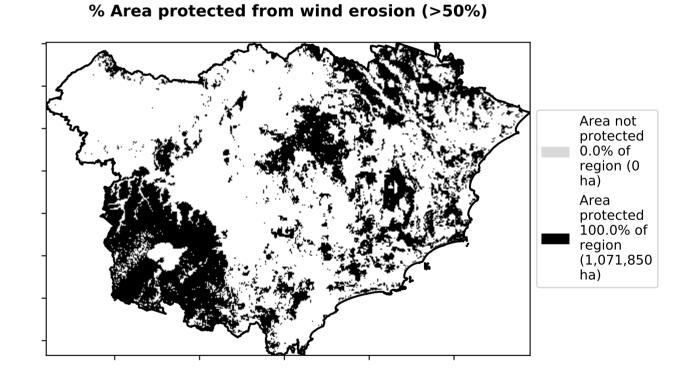


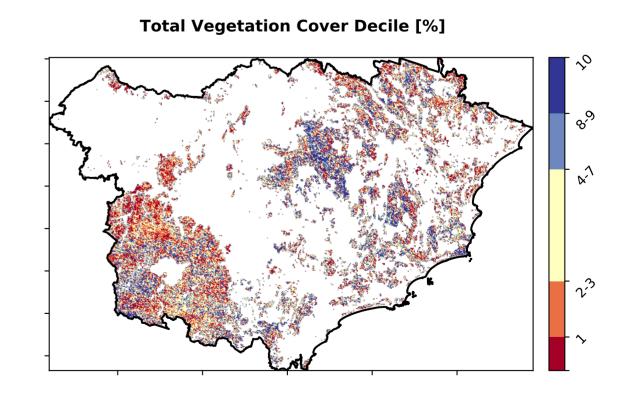




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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 99.9% 100 80 60 40 20 -0.1% 51%-70% 0-30% 31%-50% 71%-100% **Total Vegetation Cover class**





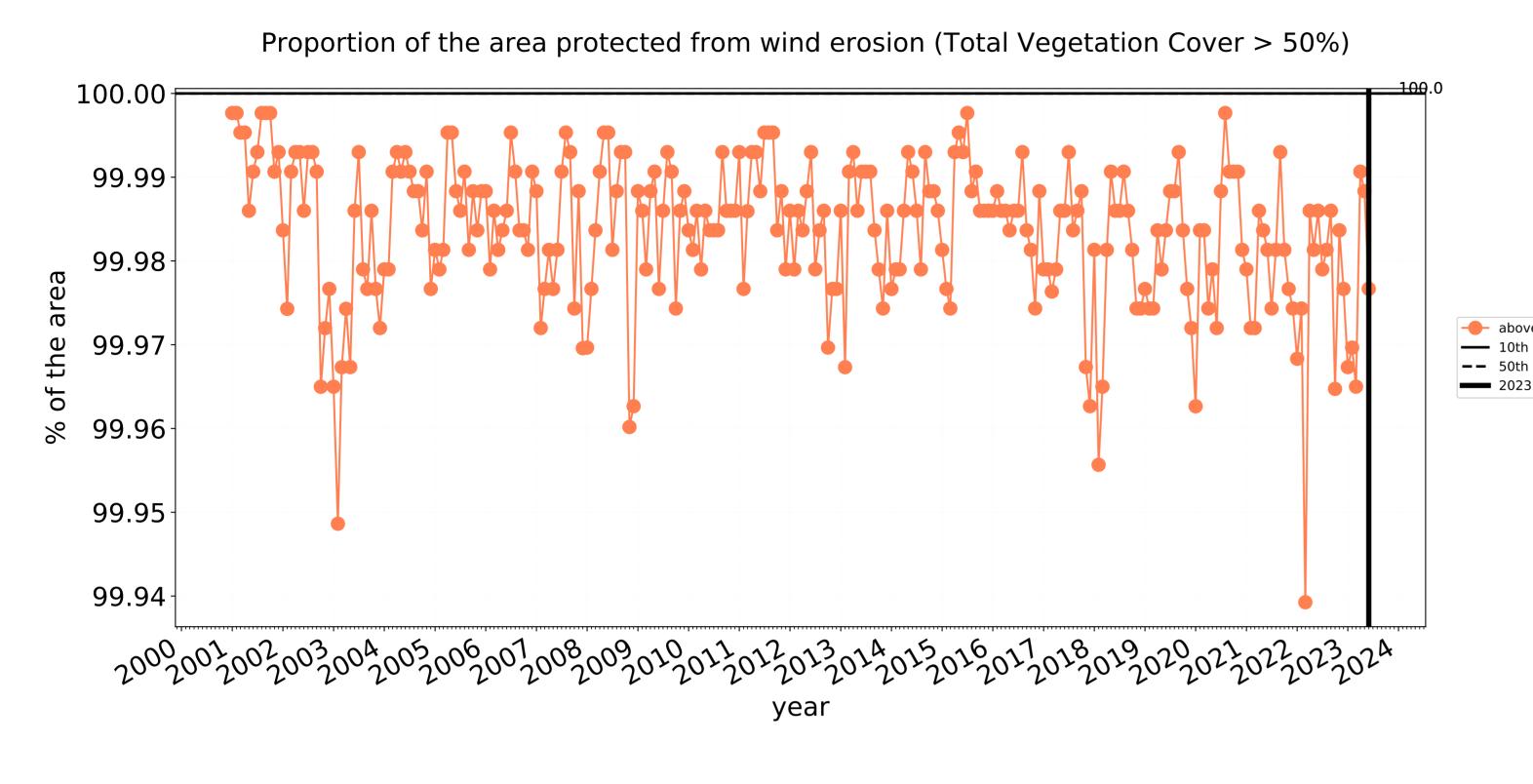


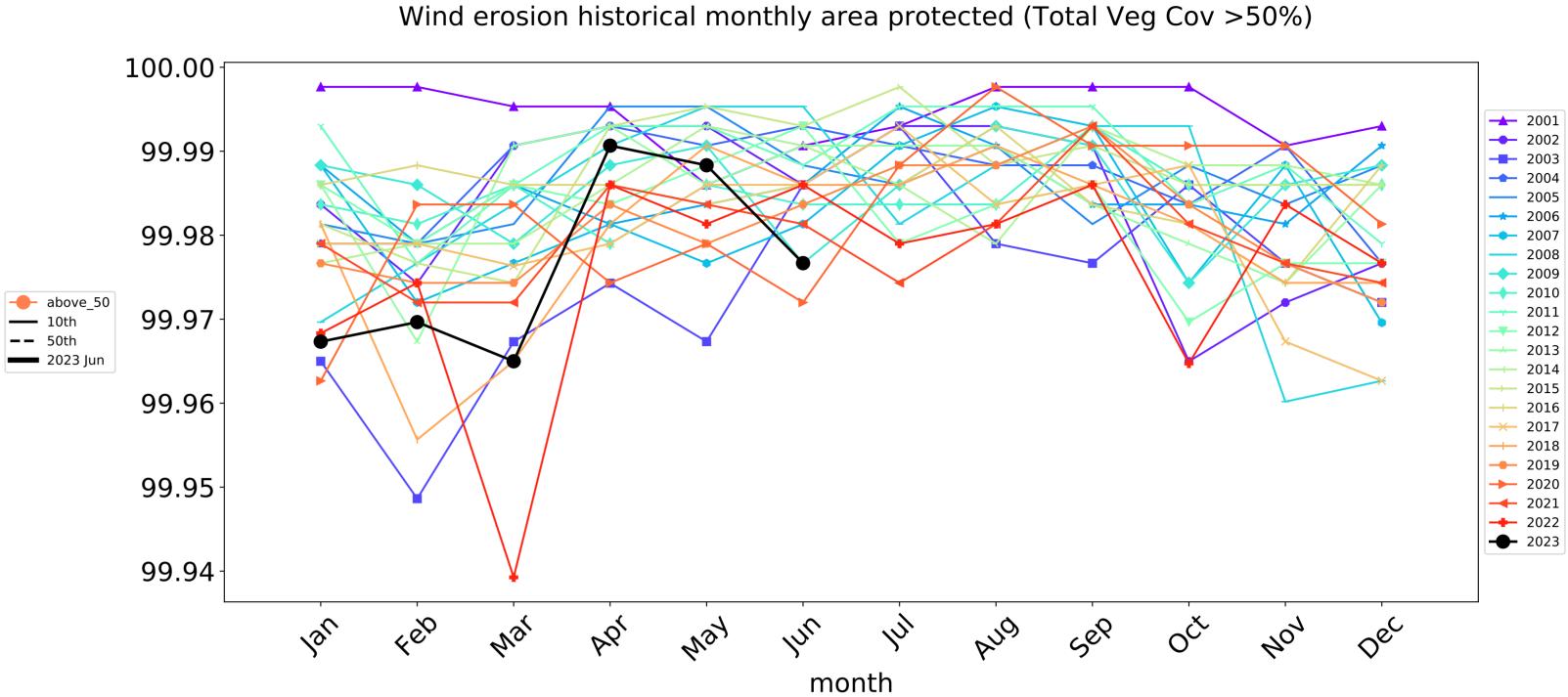


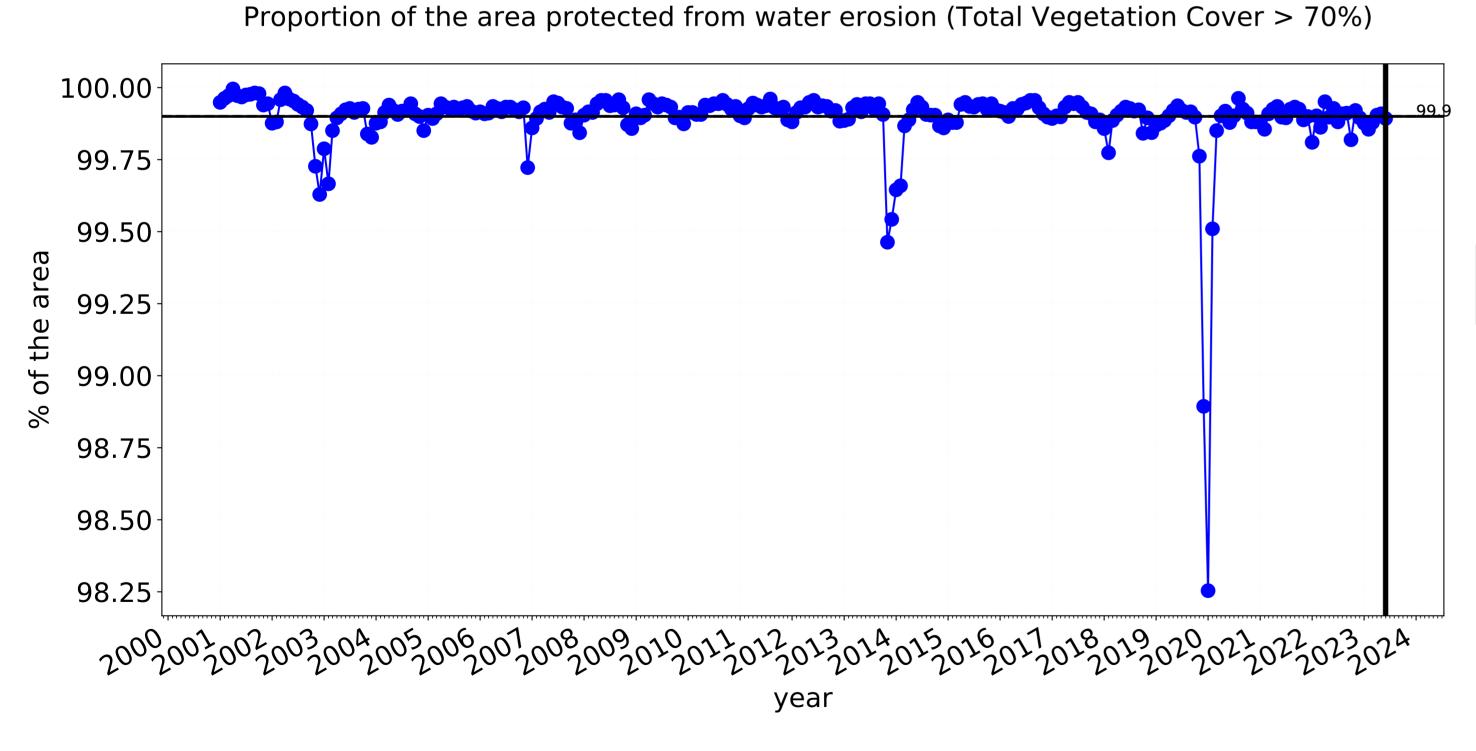


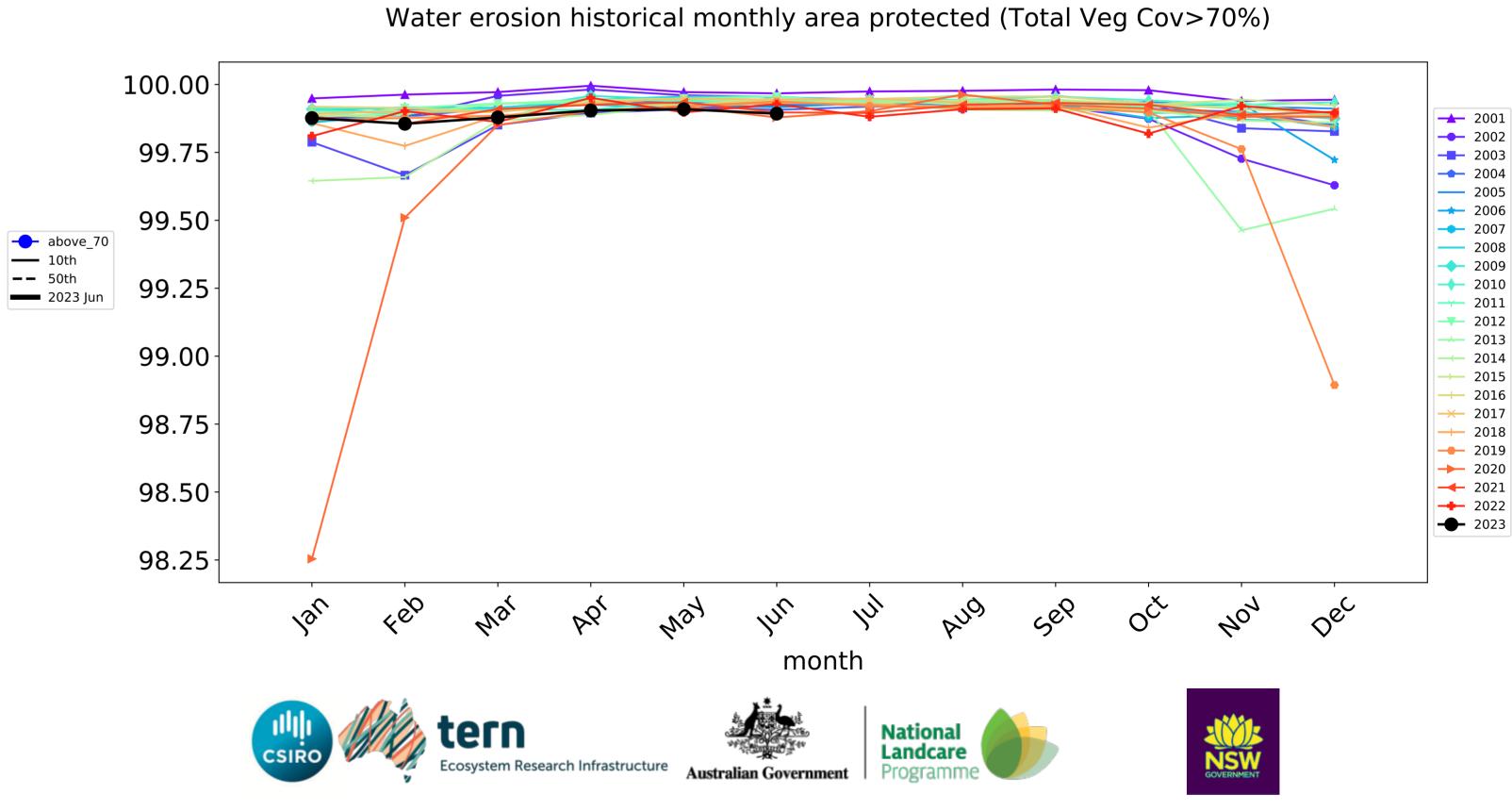


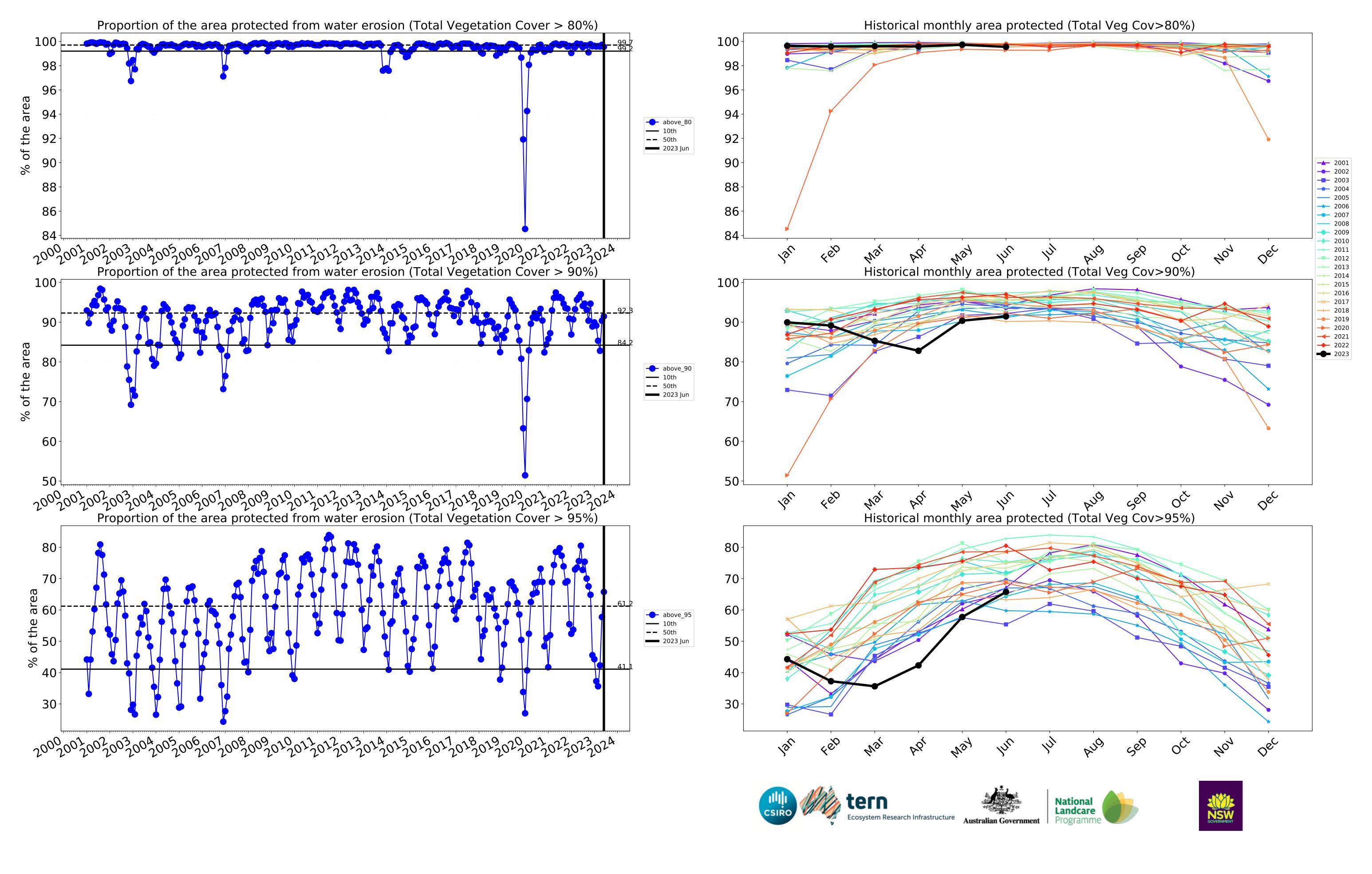
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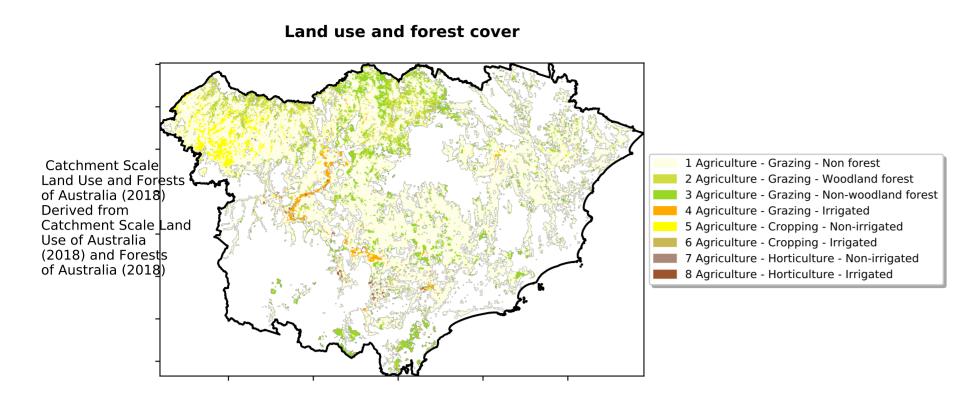


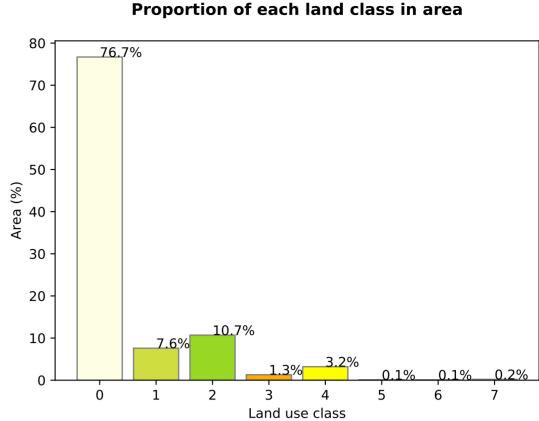


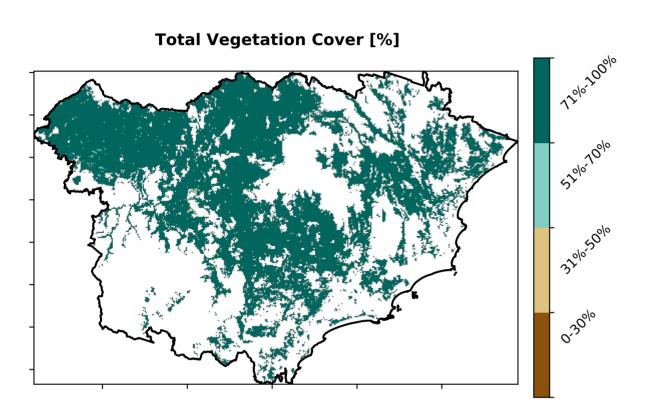


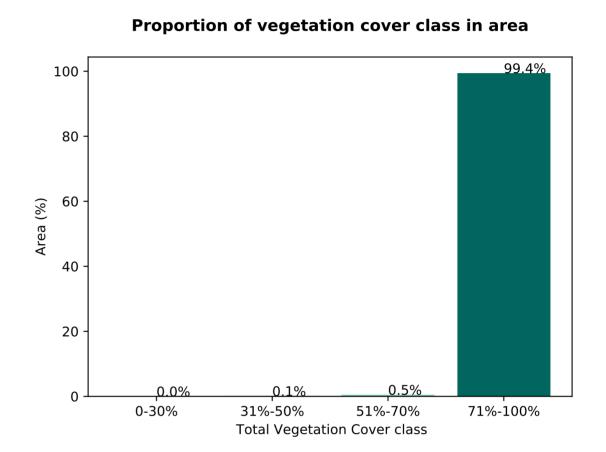


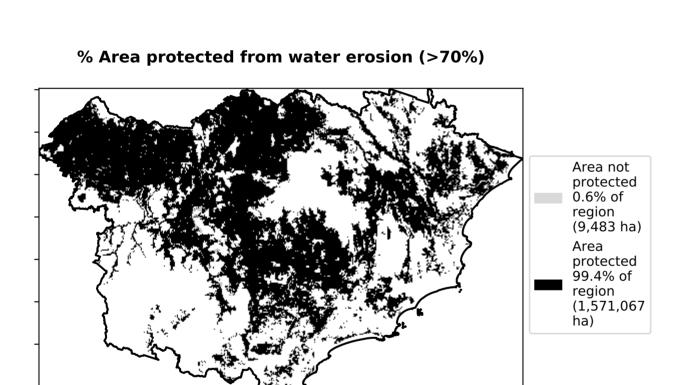
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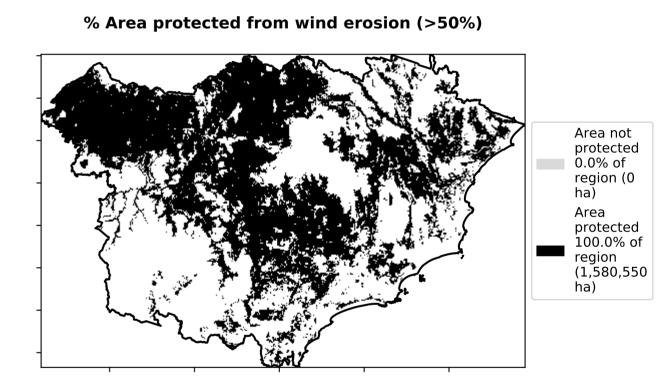


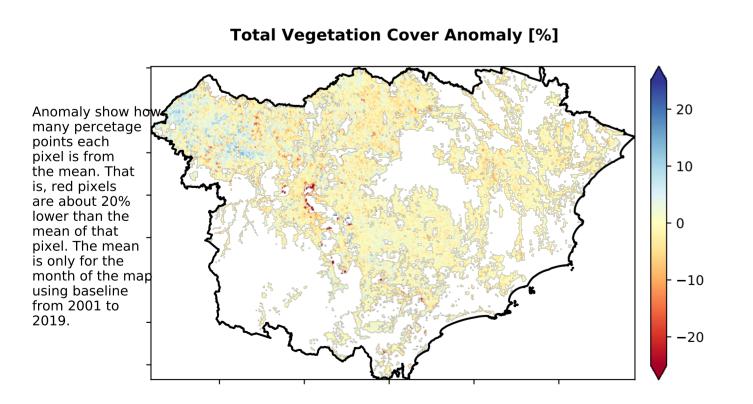




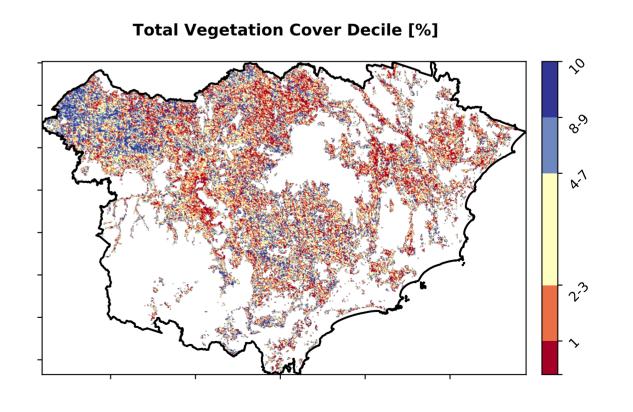








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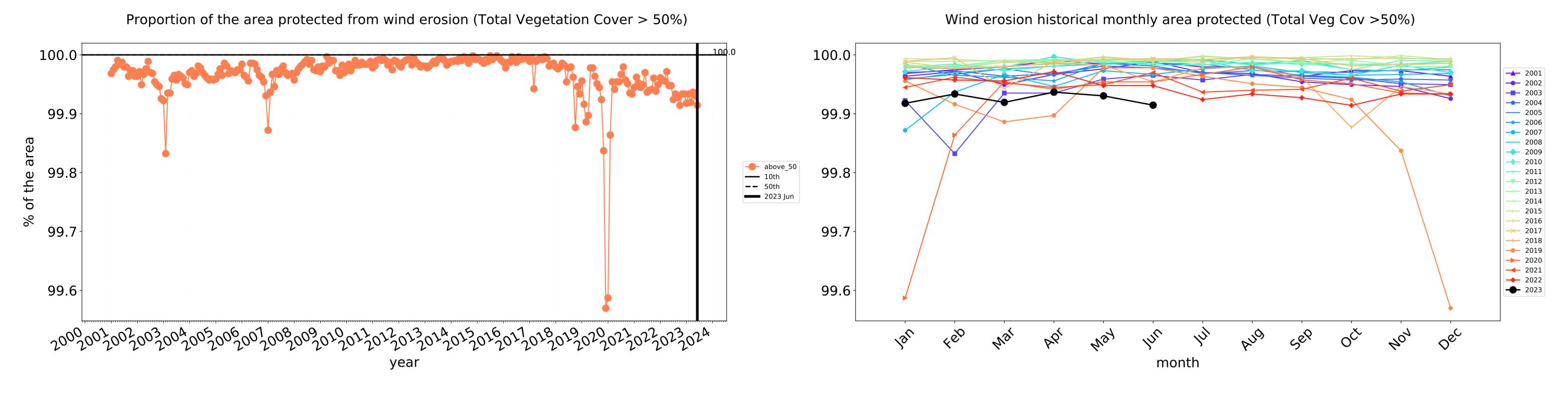


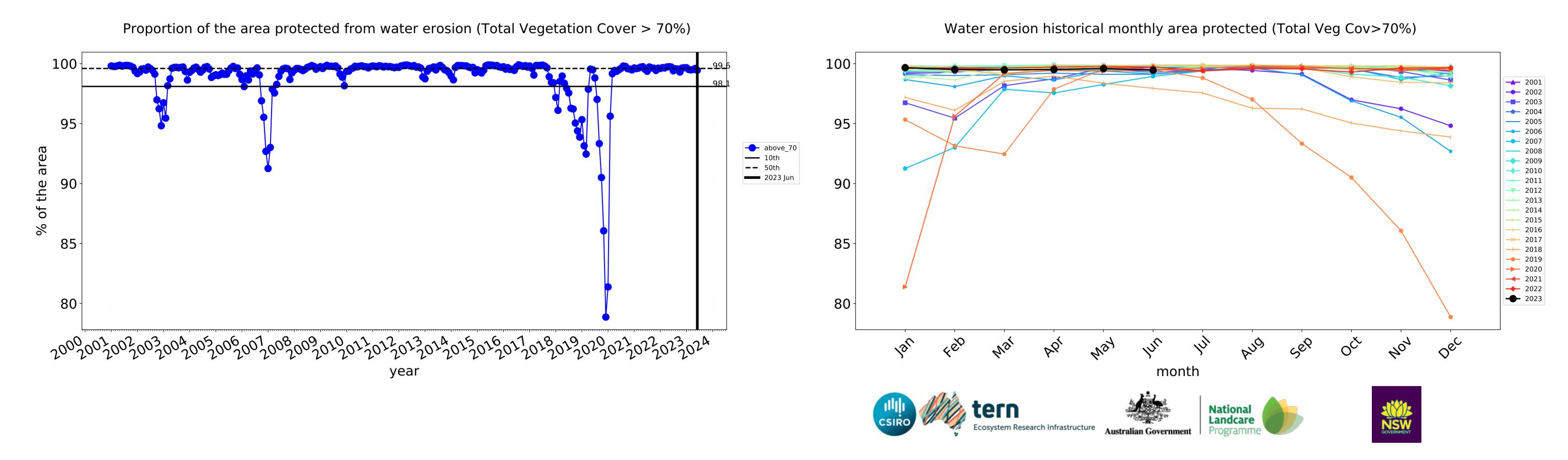


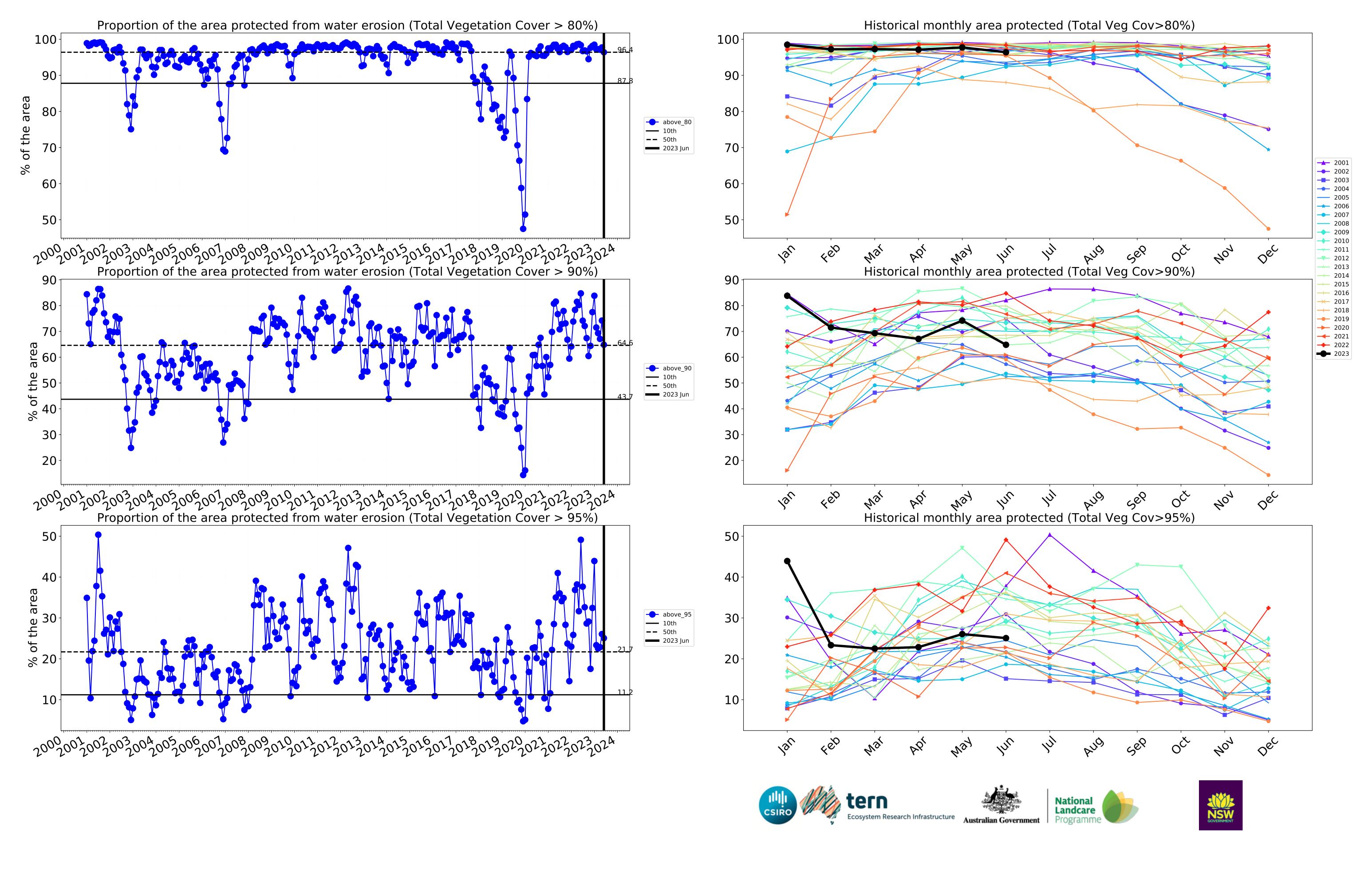




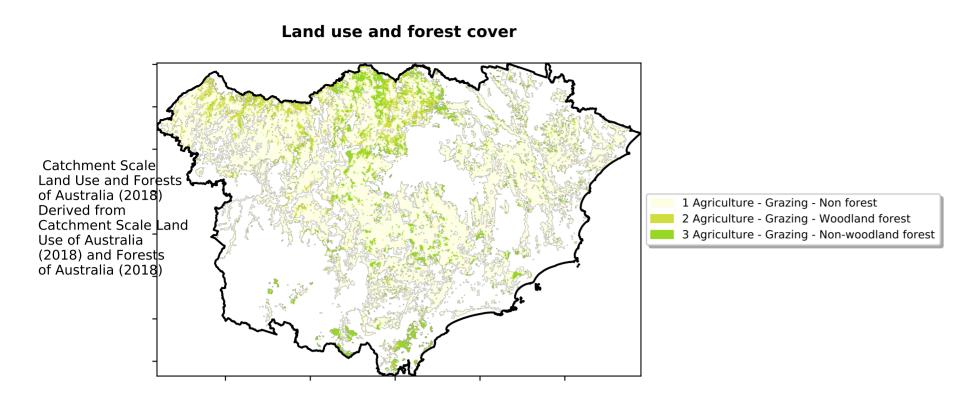
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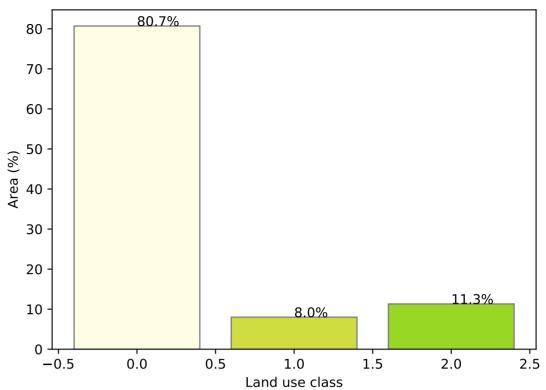




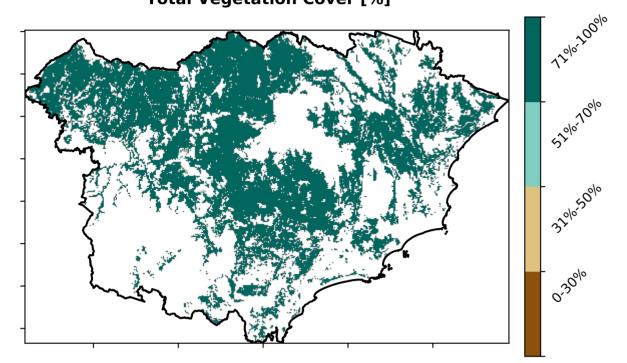
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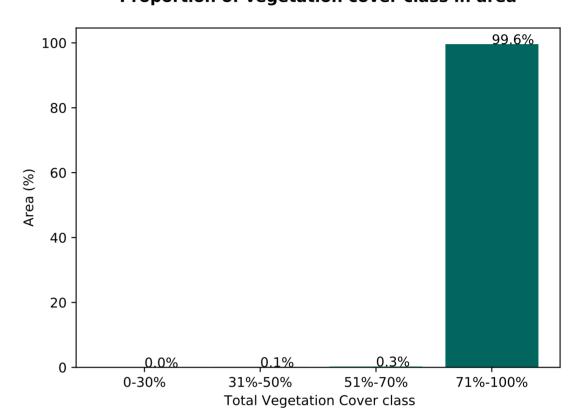
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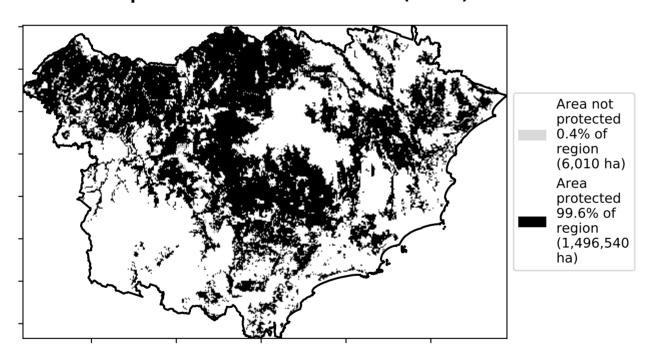




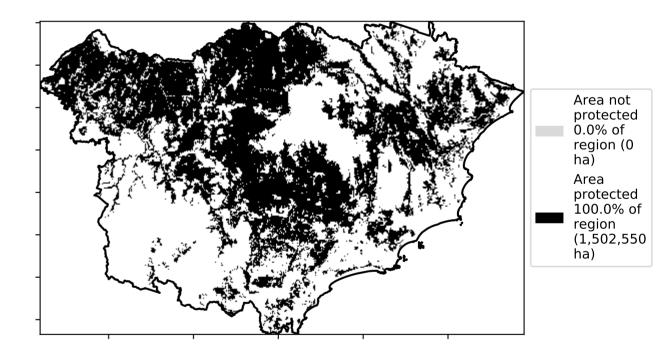
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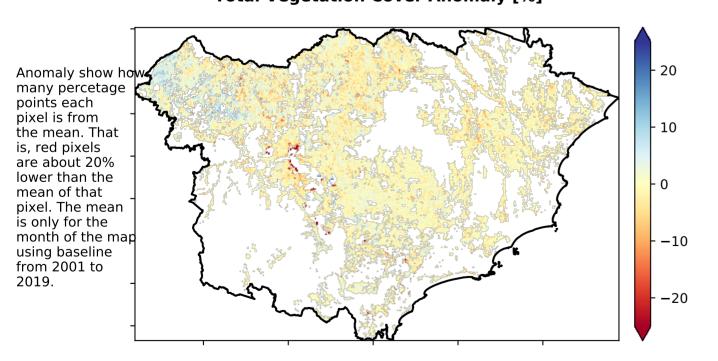
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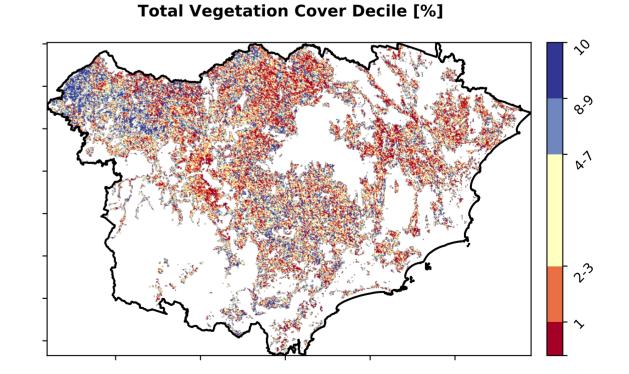
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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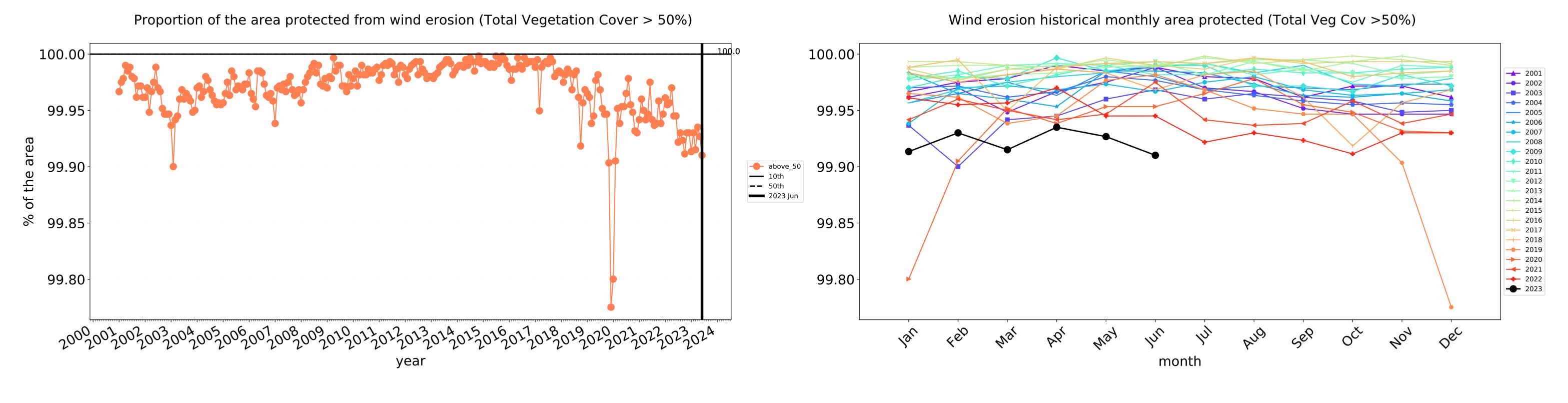


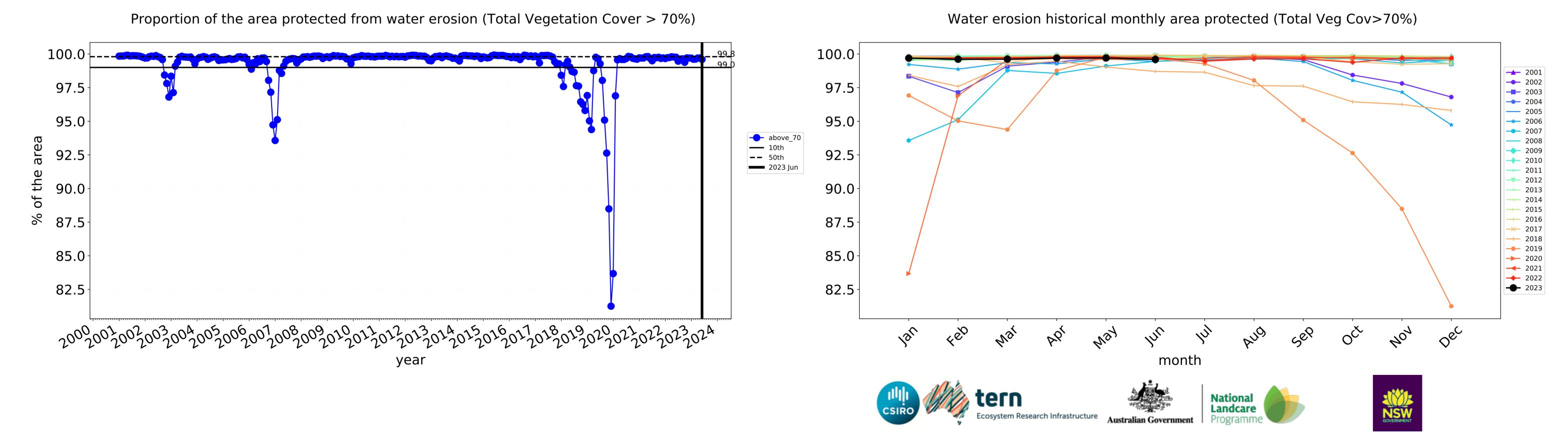


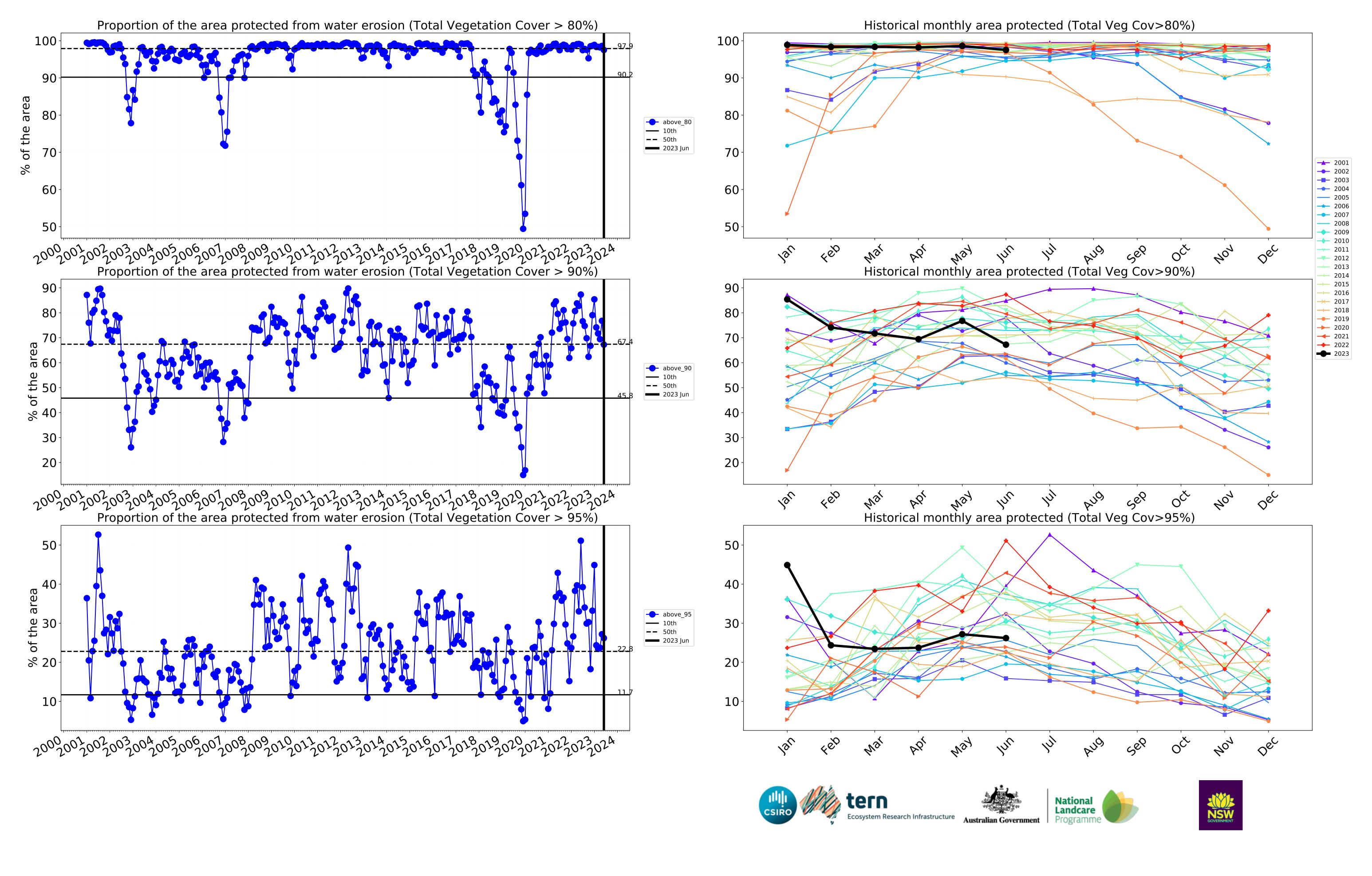




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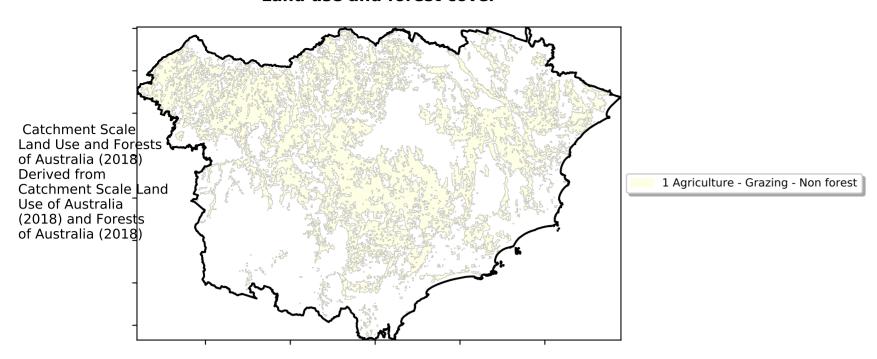




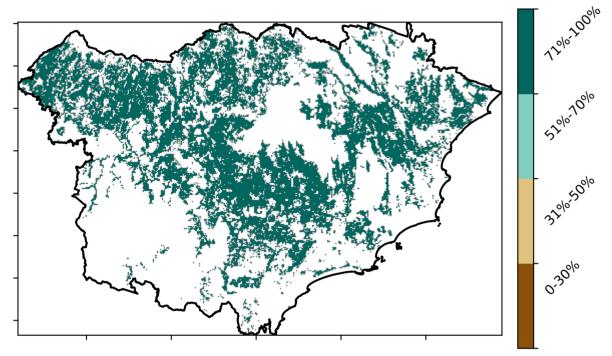


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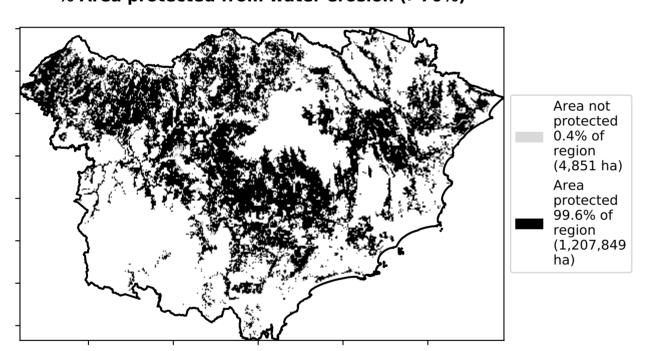
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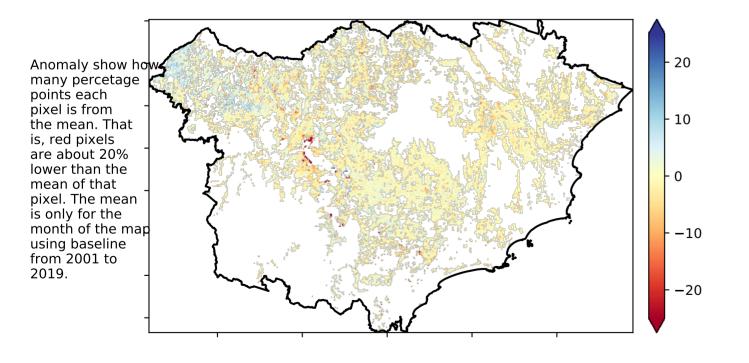
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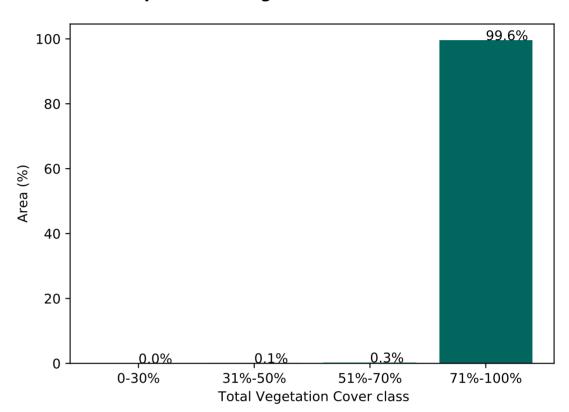


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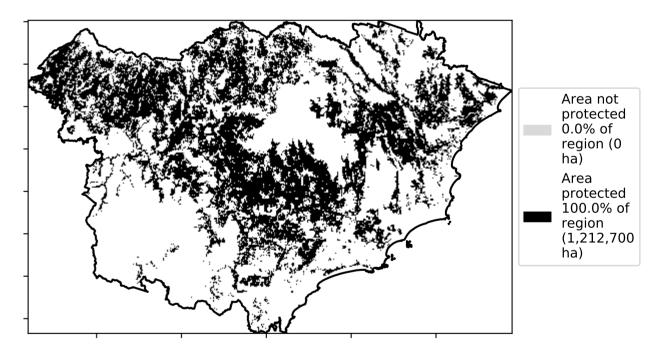


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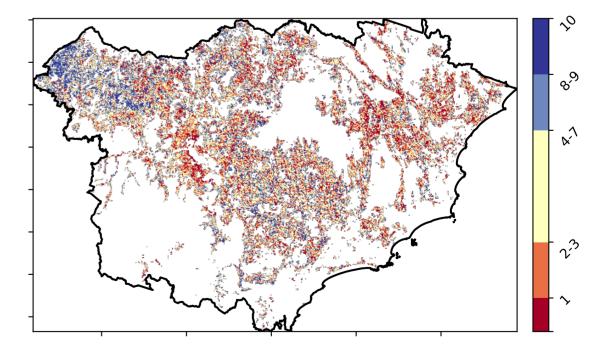
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% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



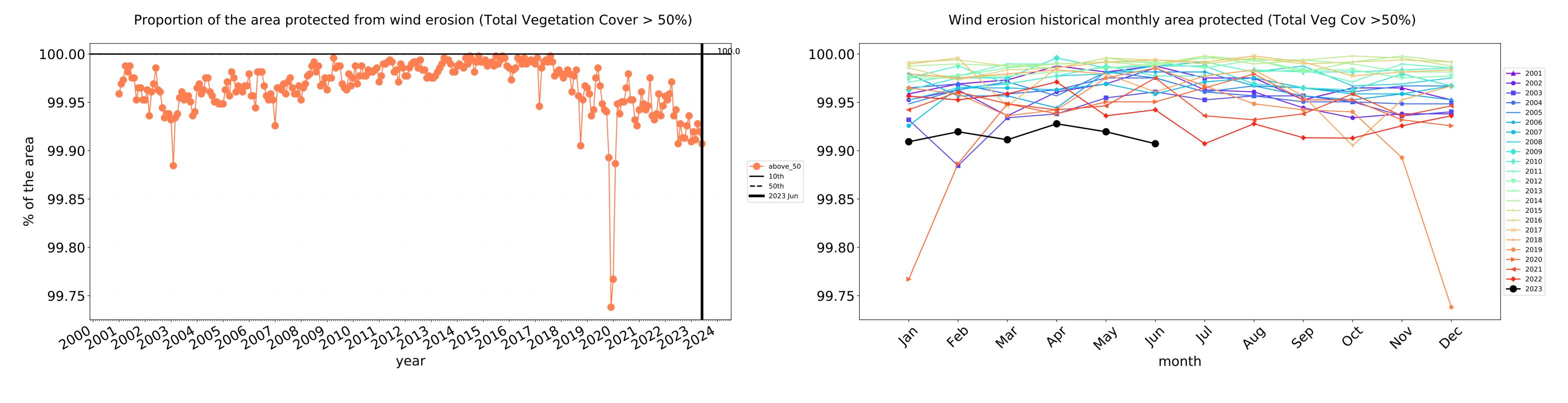


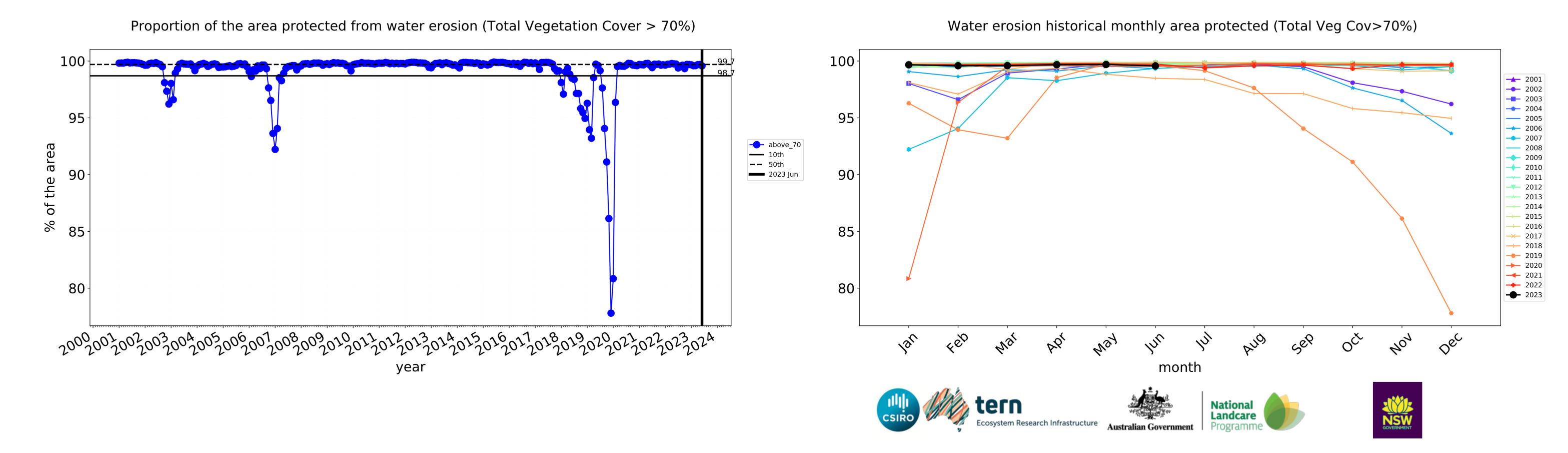


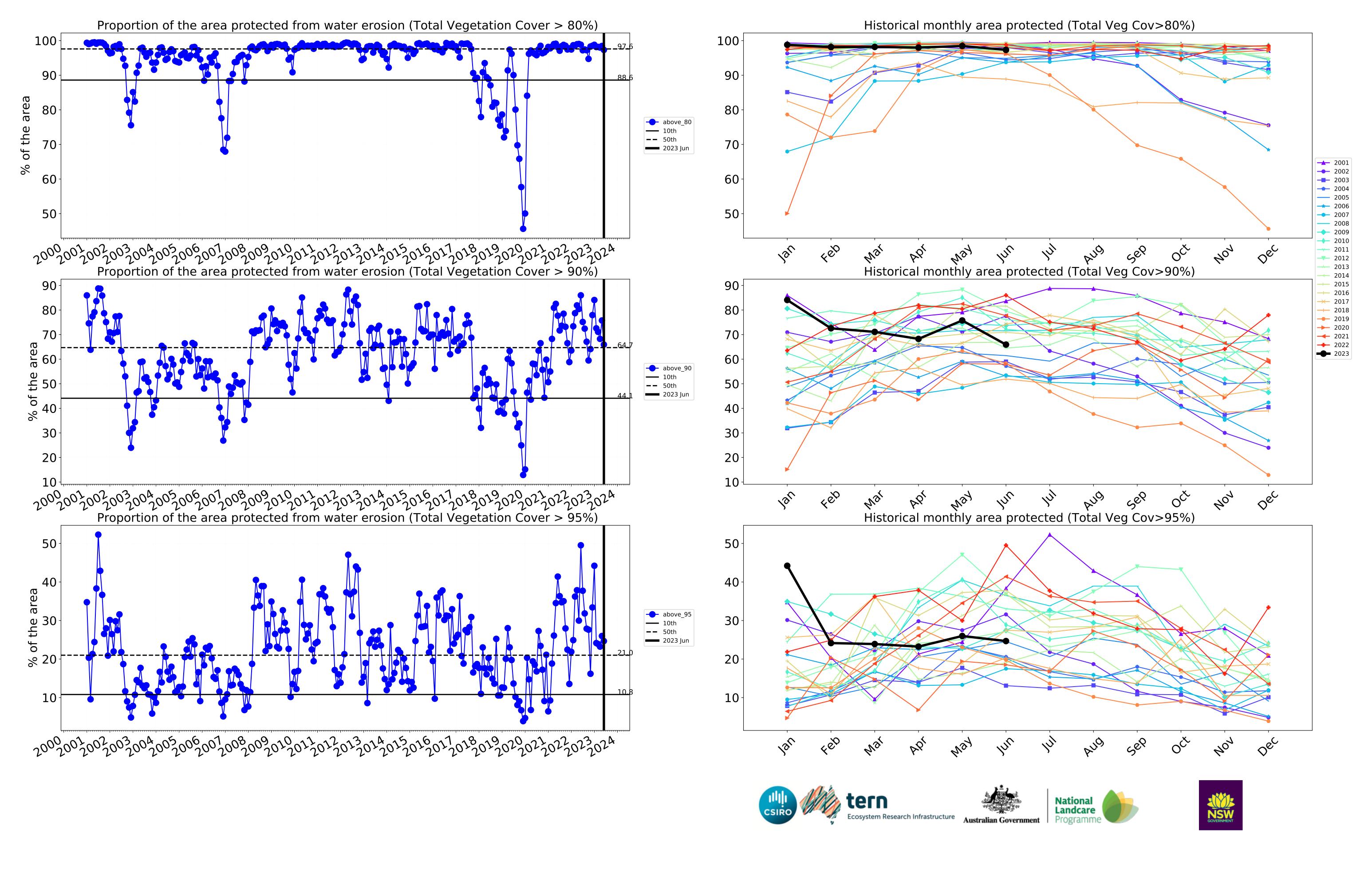




Grazing non forest timeseries



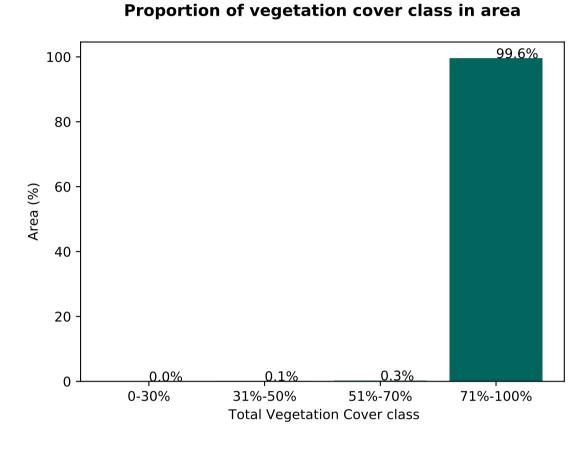


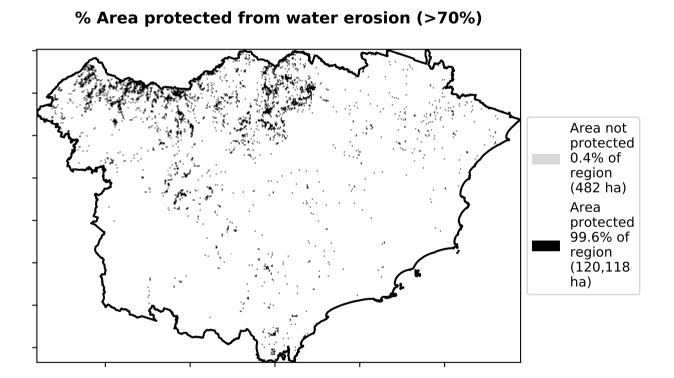


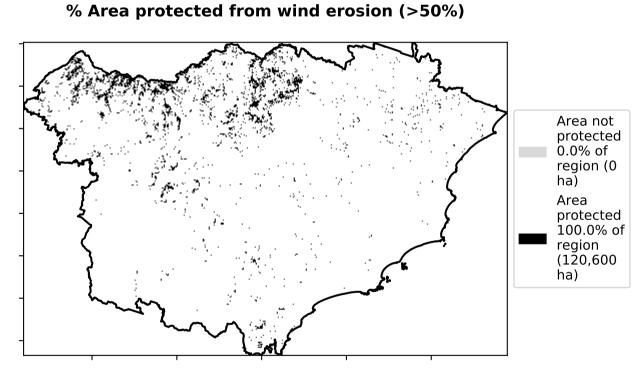
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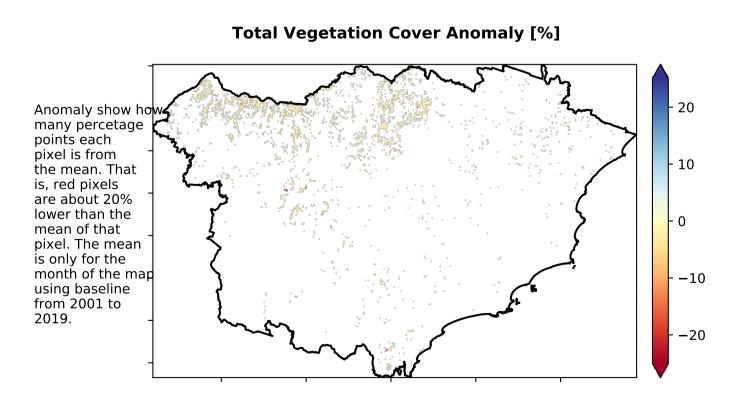
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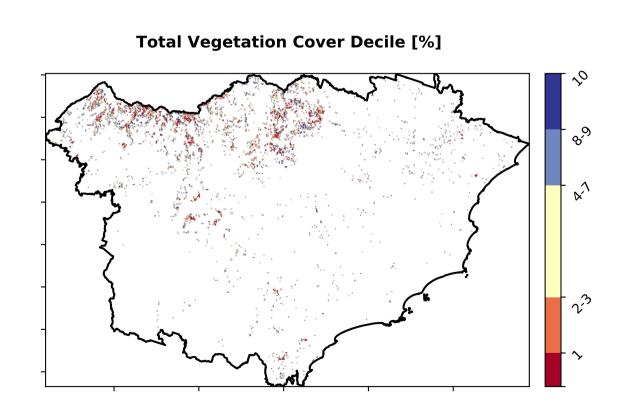








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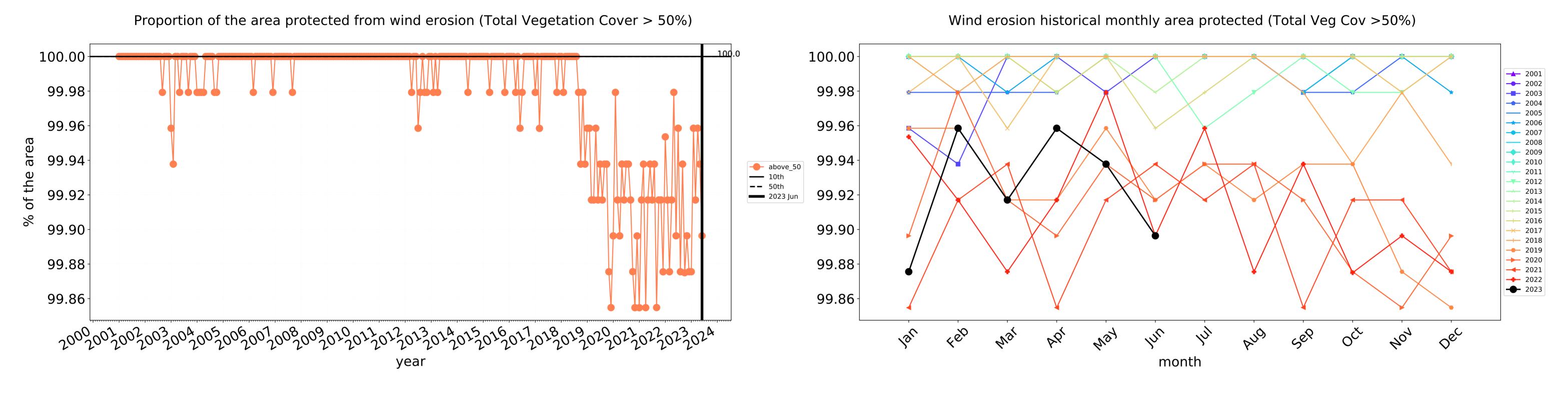


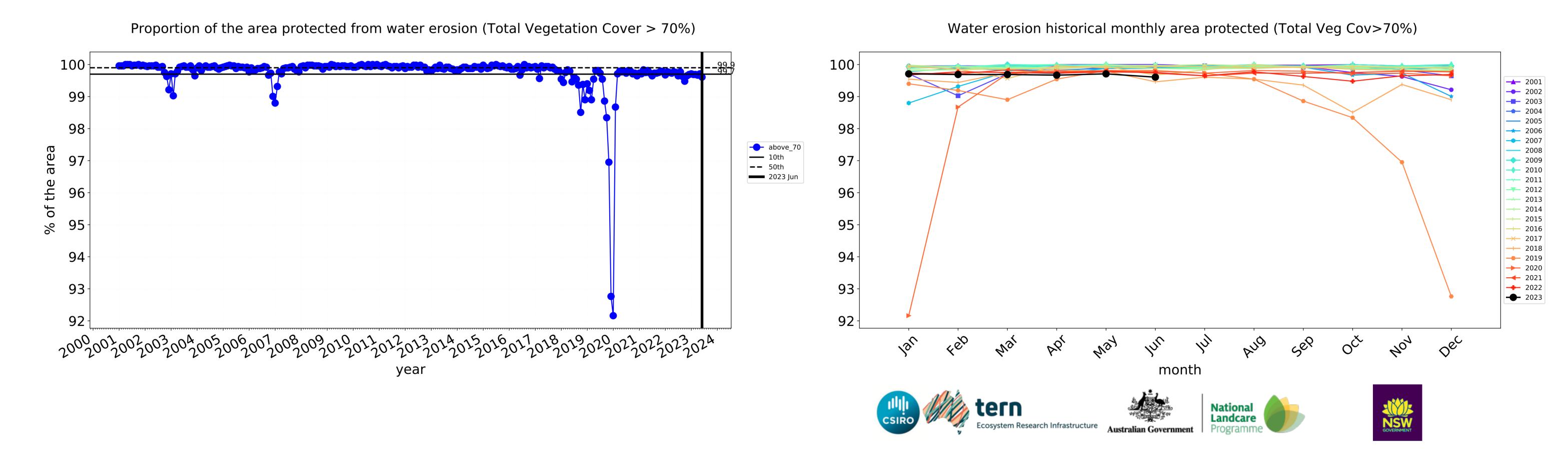


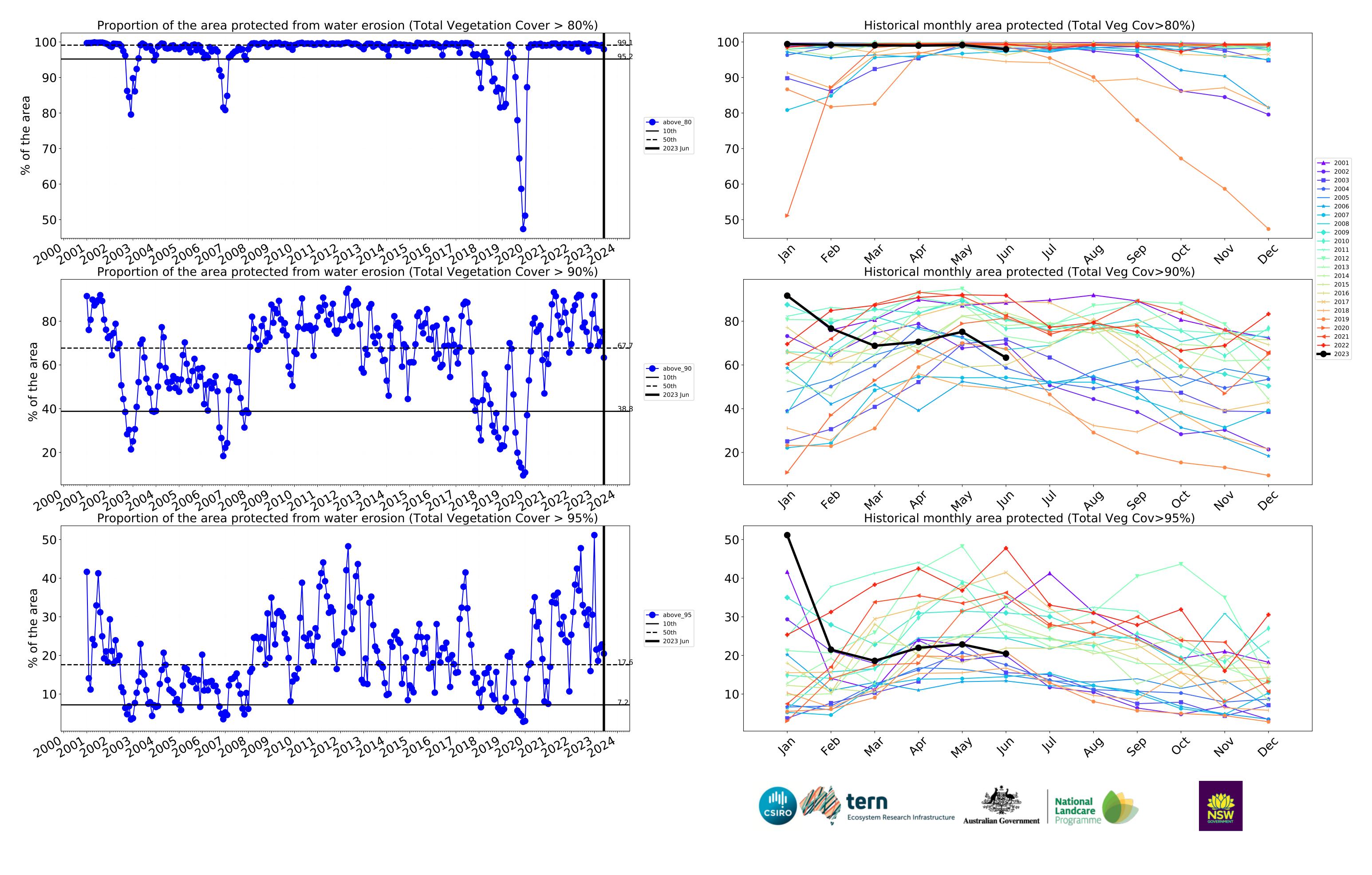




Grazing Woodland forest timeseries





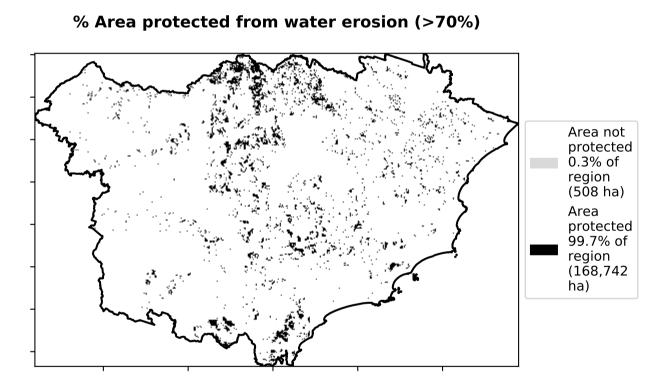


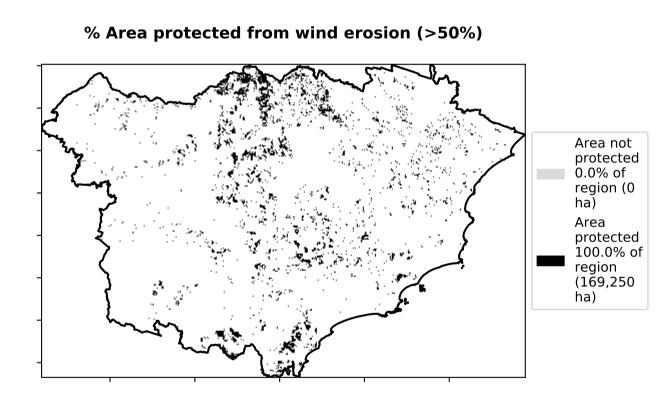
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

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

Total Vegetation Cover [%]

100 80 Area (%) 40 20 -0.2% 31%-50% 0-30% 51%-70% **Total Vegetation Cover class**

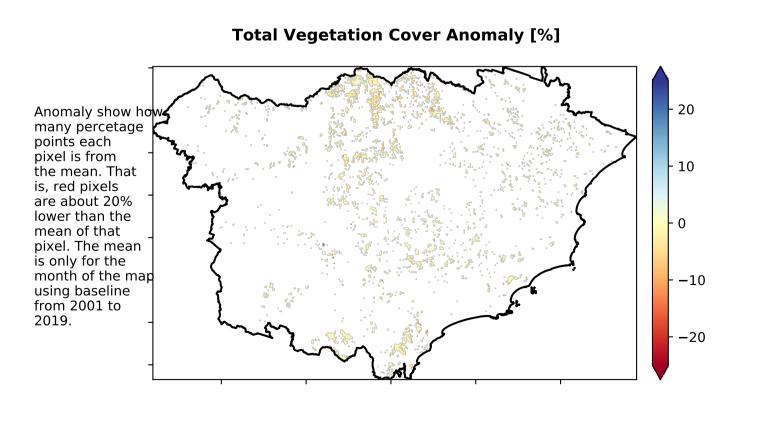




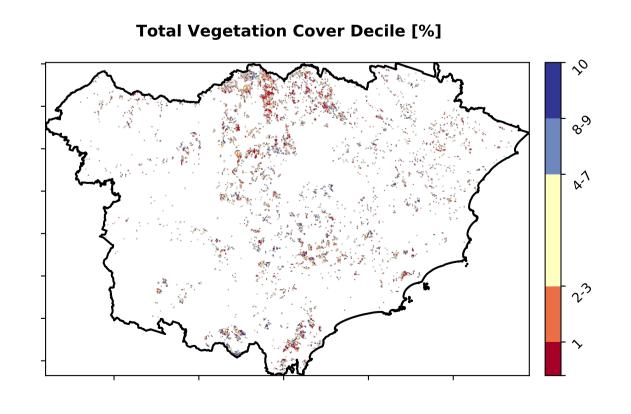
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

99.7%

71%-100%



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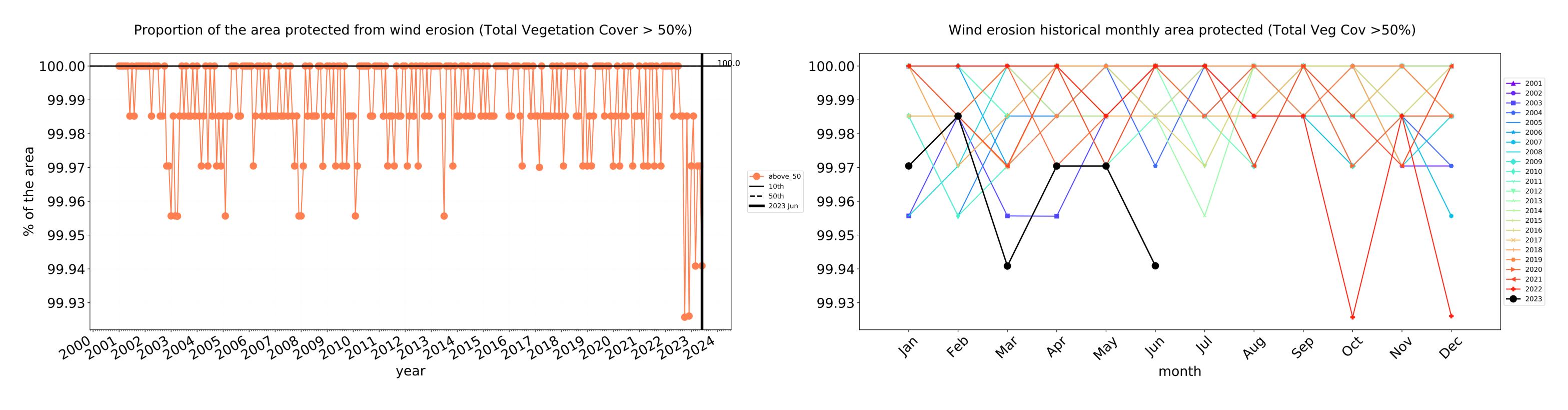


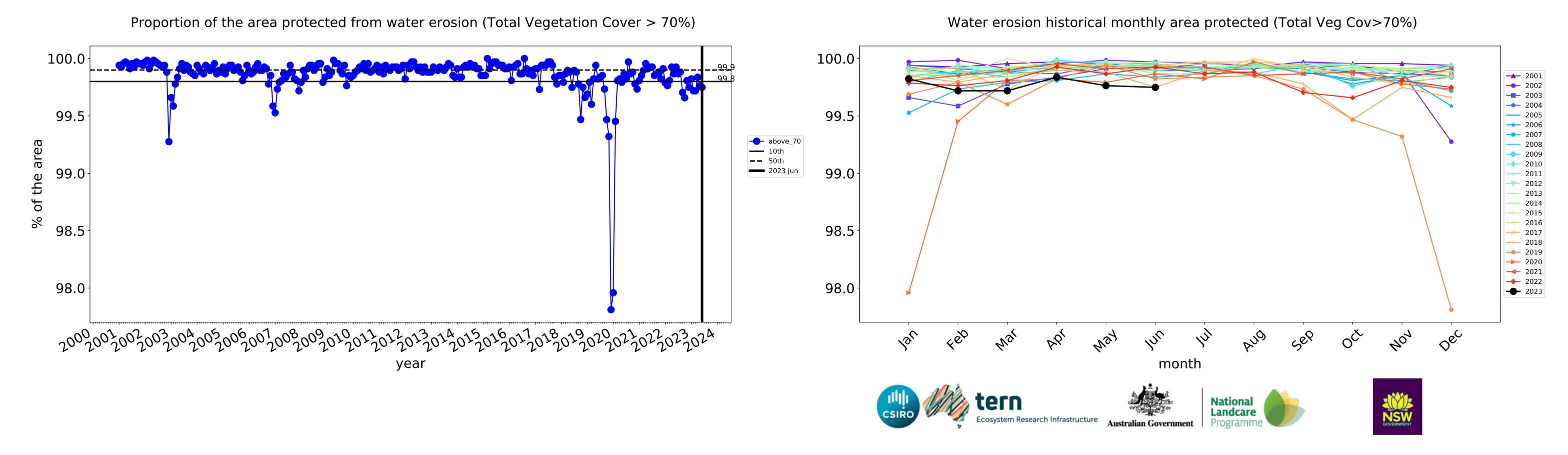


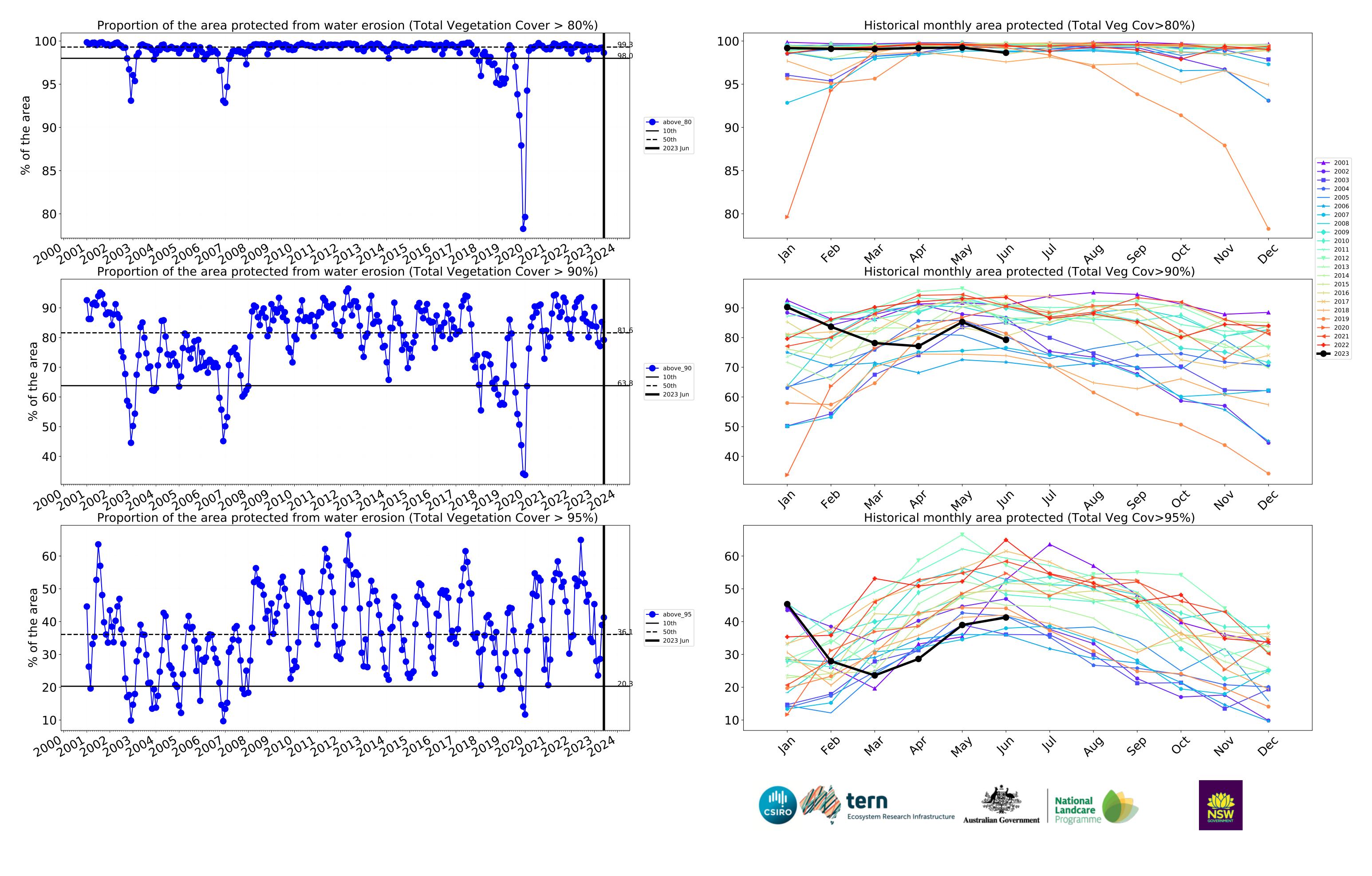






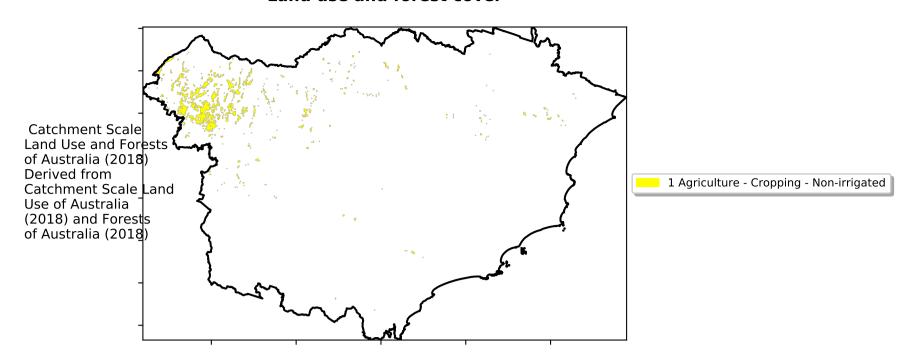




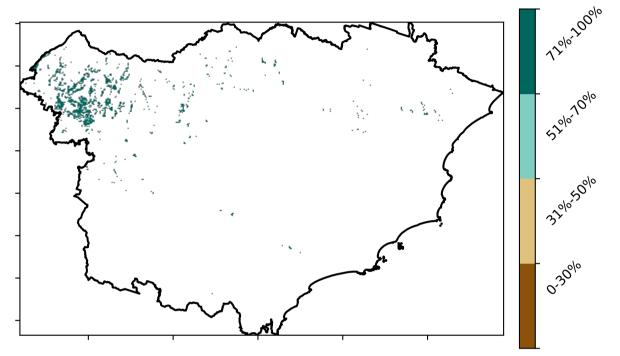


Cropping

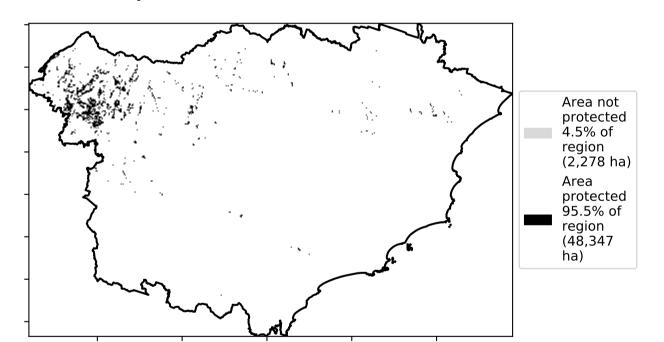
Land use and forest cover



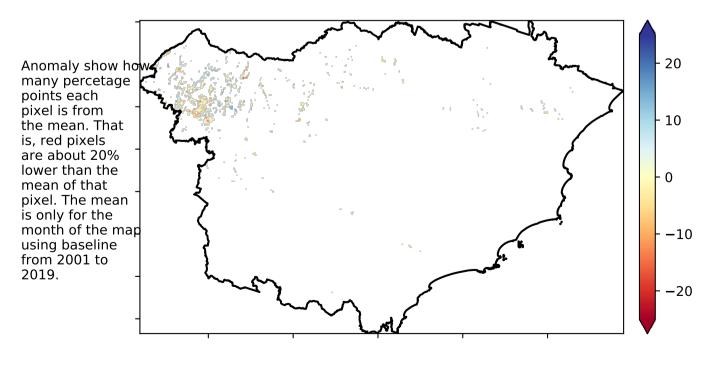
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

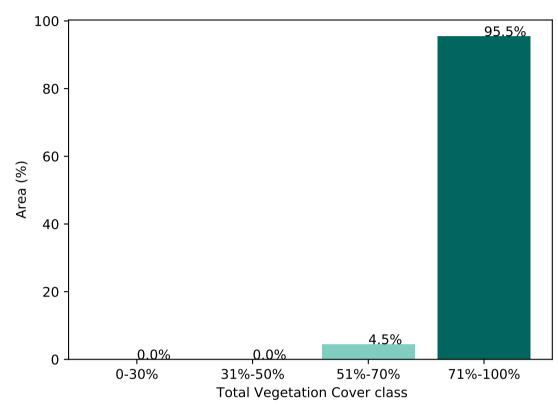


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

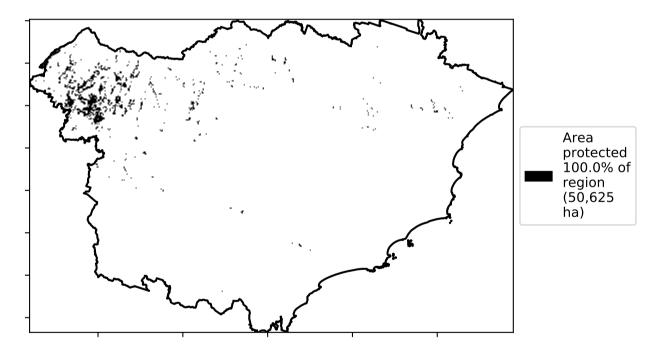


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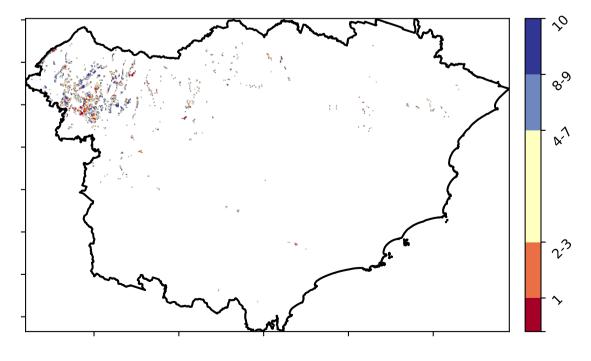
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



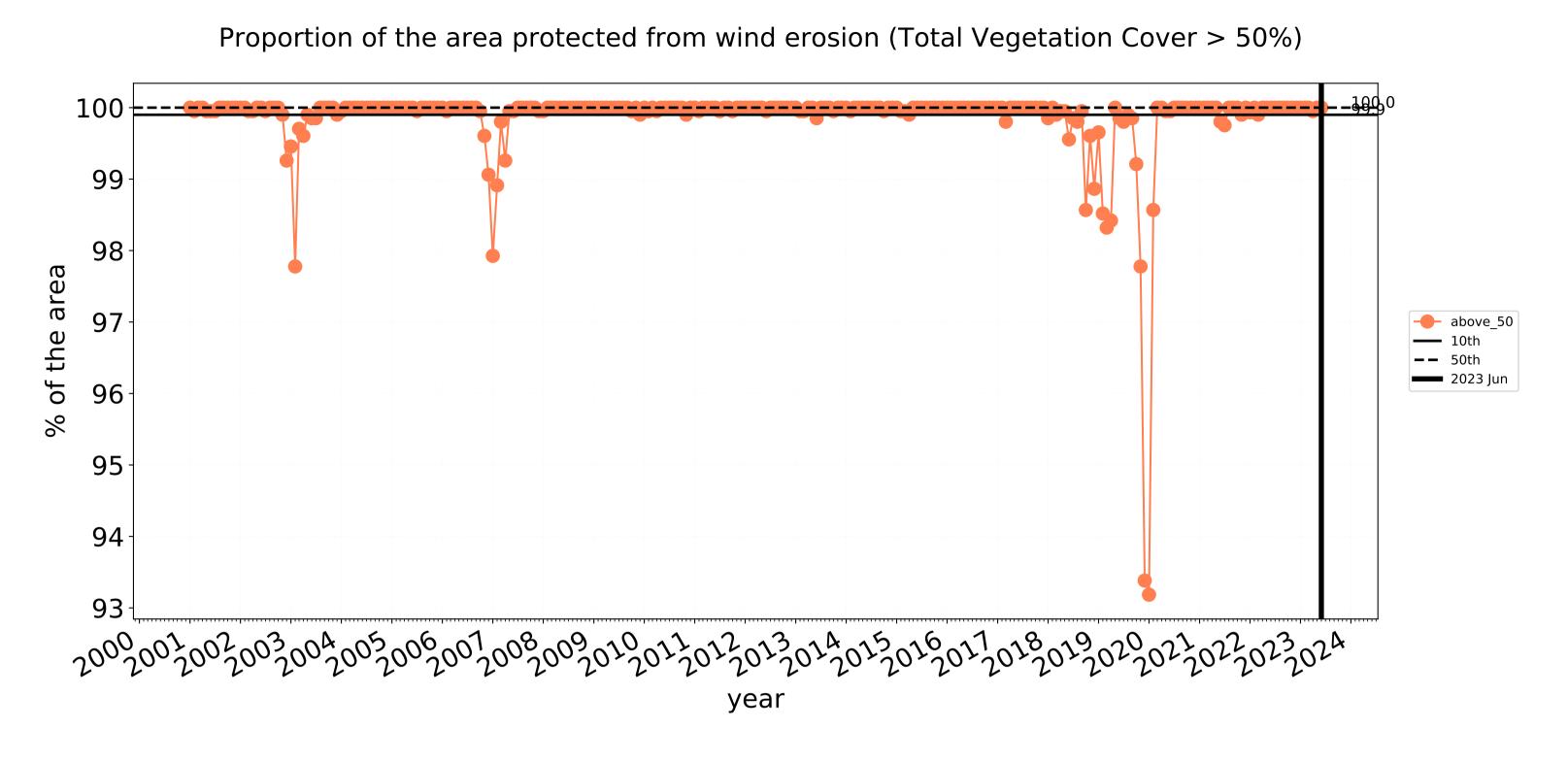


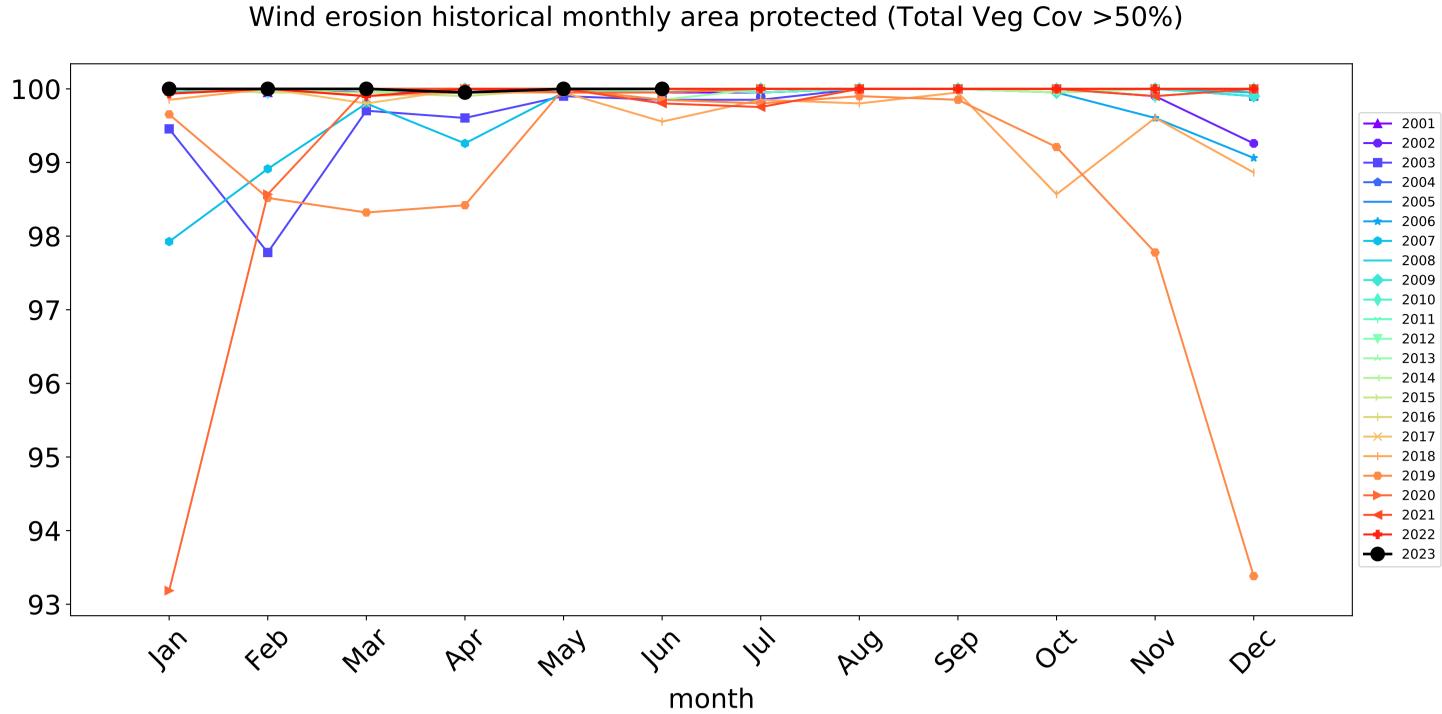


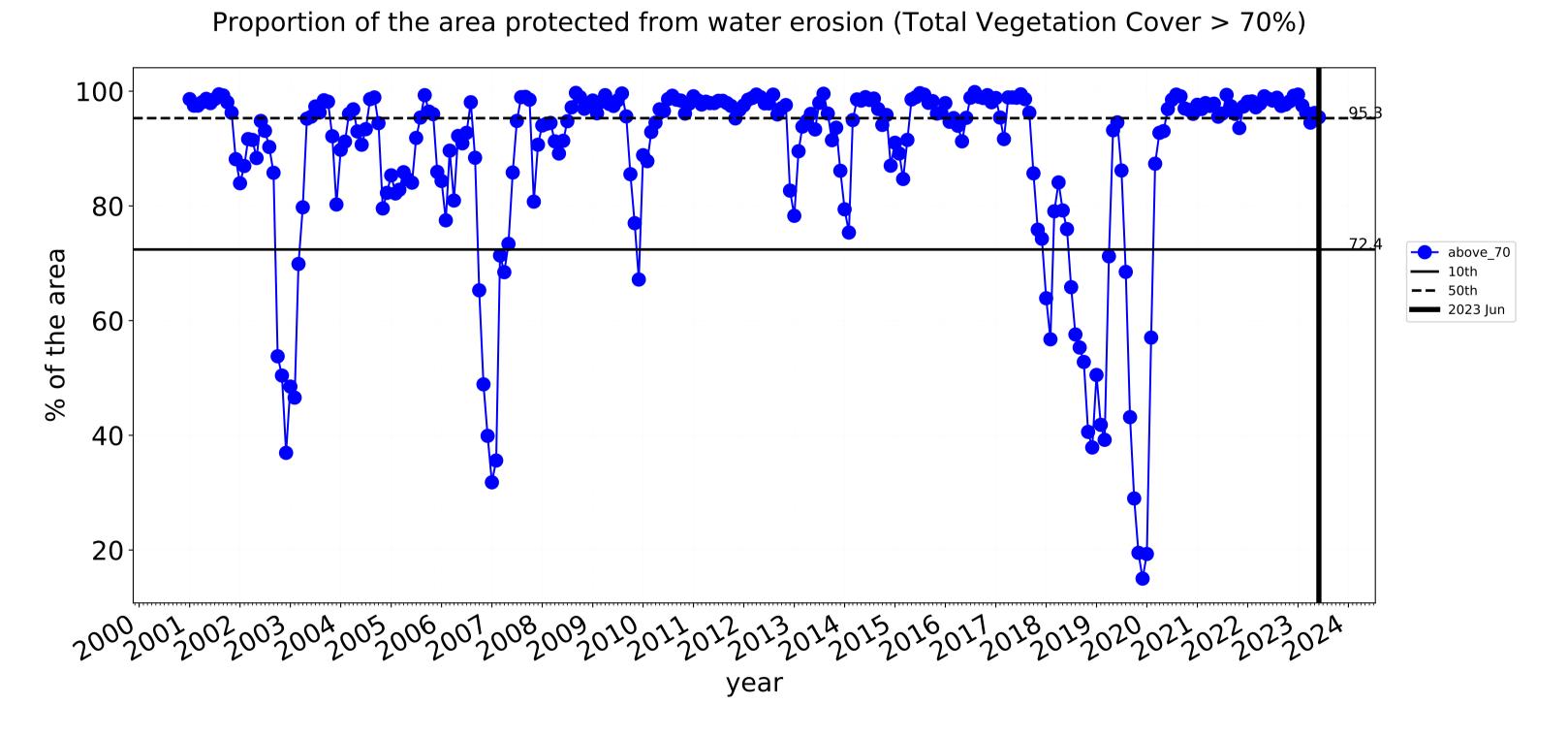


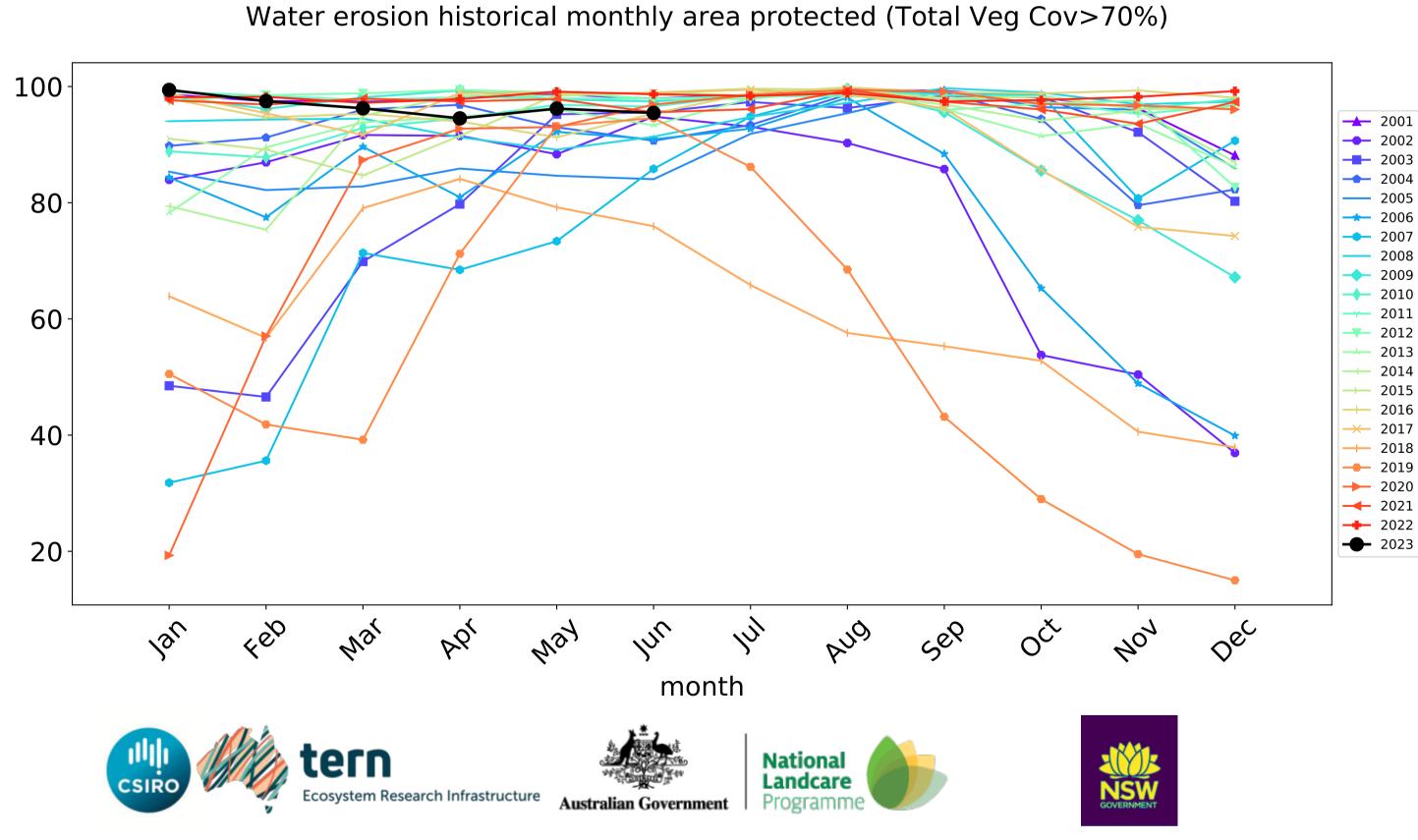


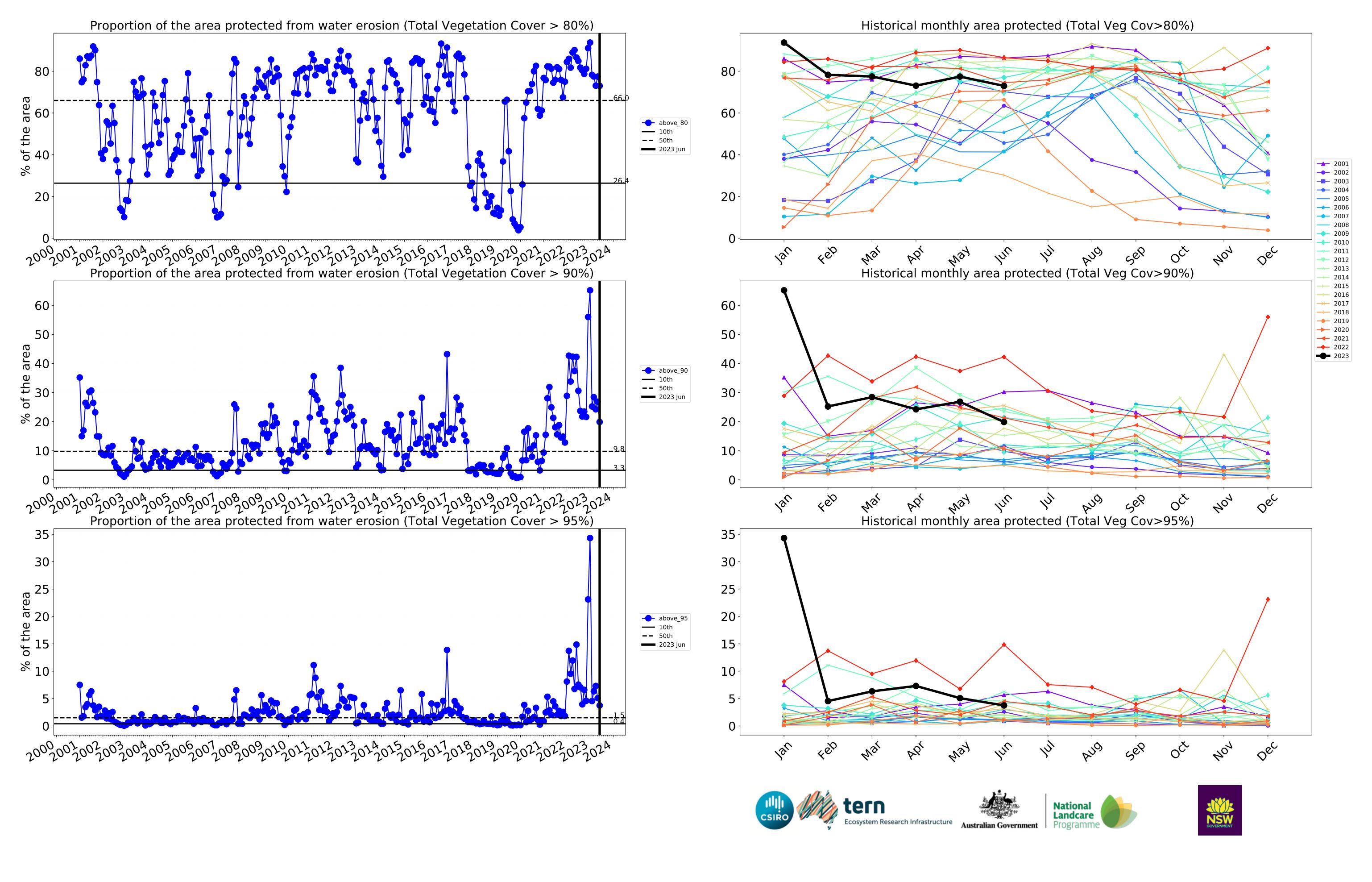
Cropping timeseries









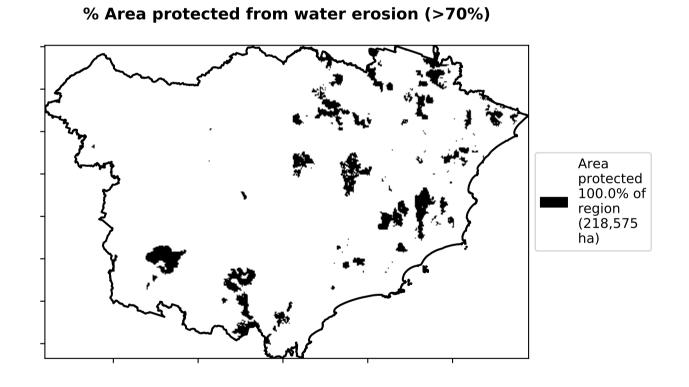


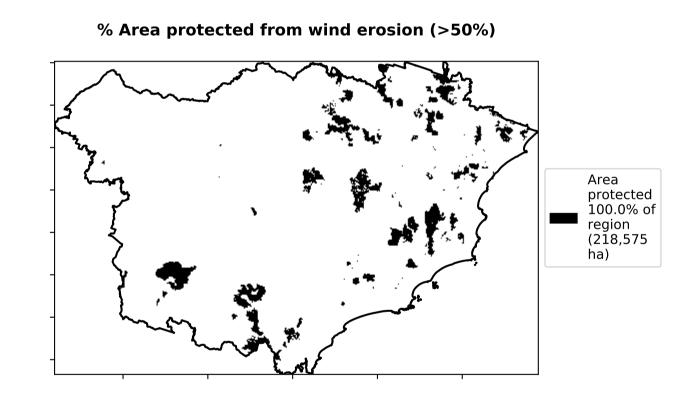
Production native forests and plantation forests

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)

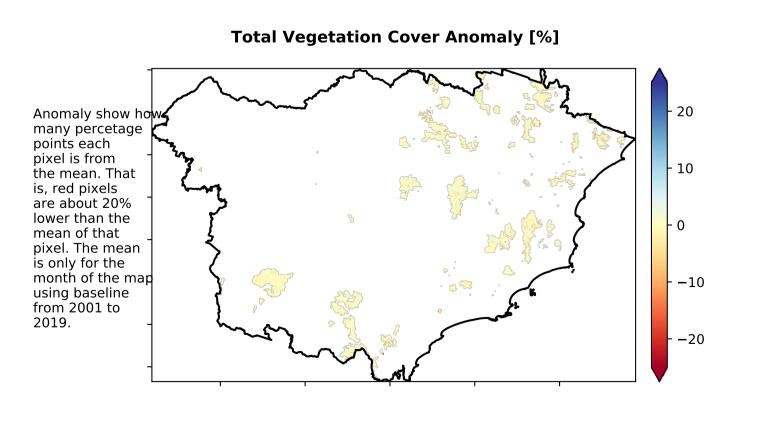
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

100.0% 100 Area (%) 60 40 20 -0.0% 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% 71%-100% **Total Vegetation Cover class**

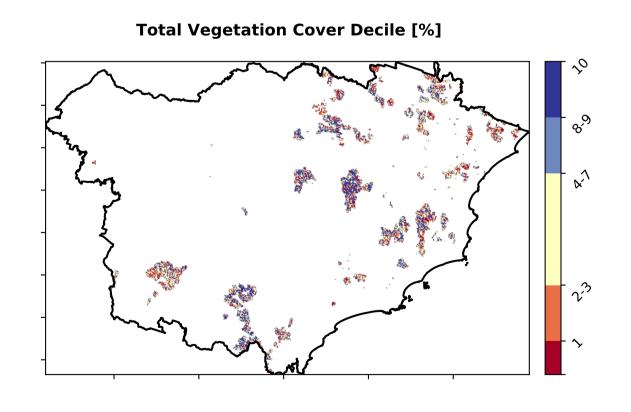




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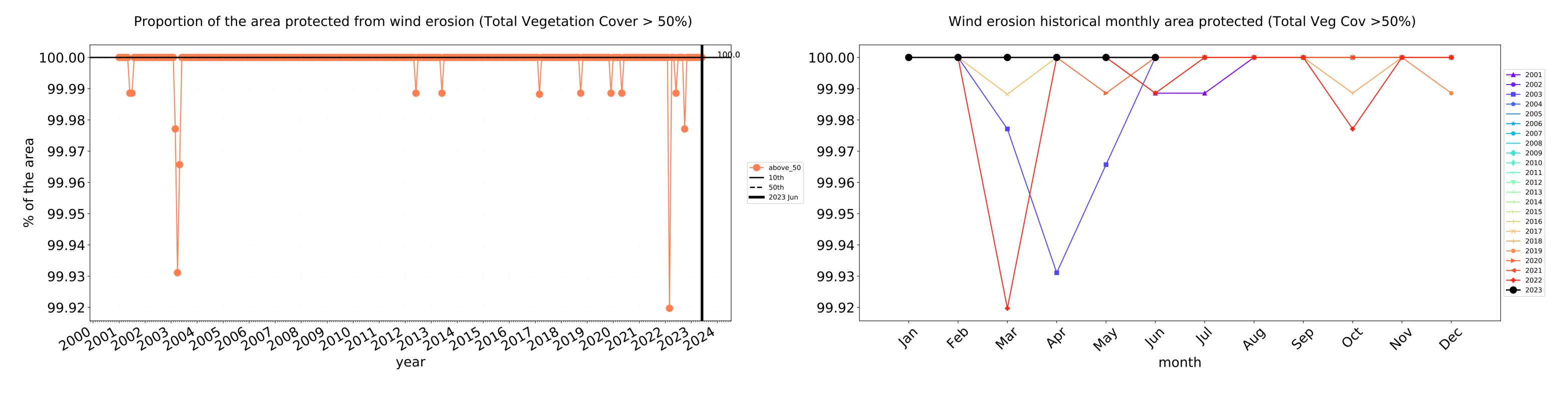


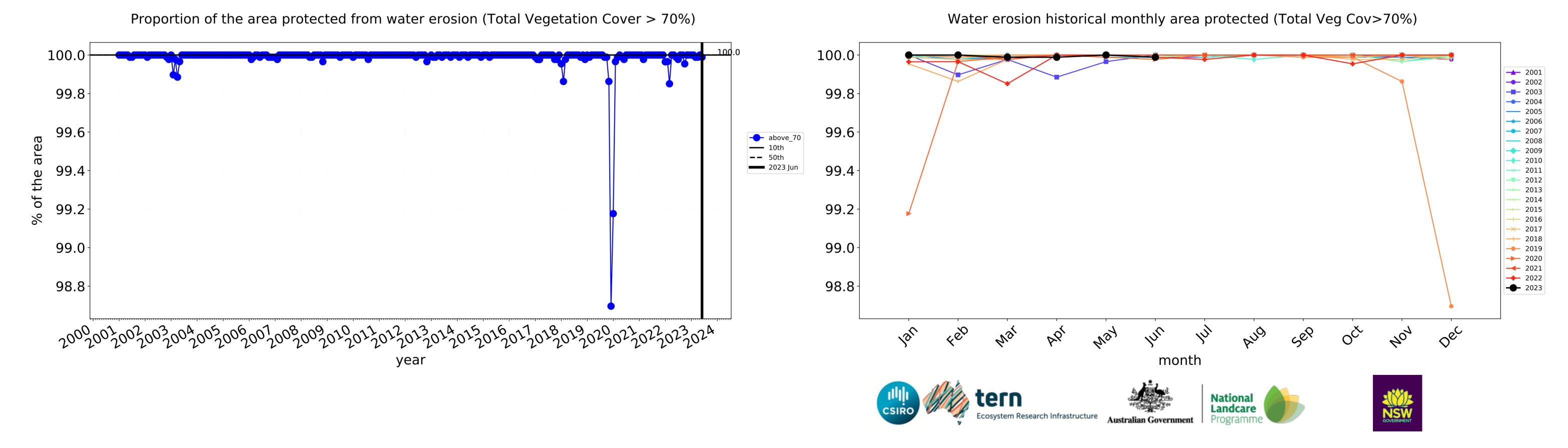


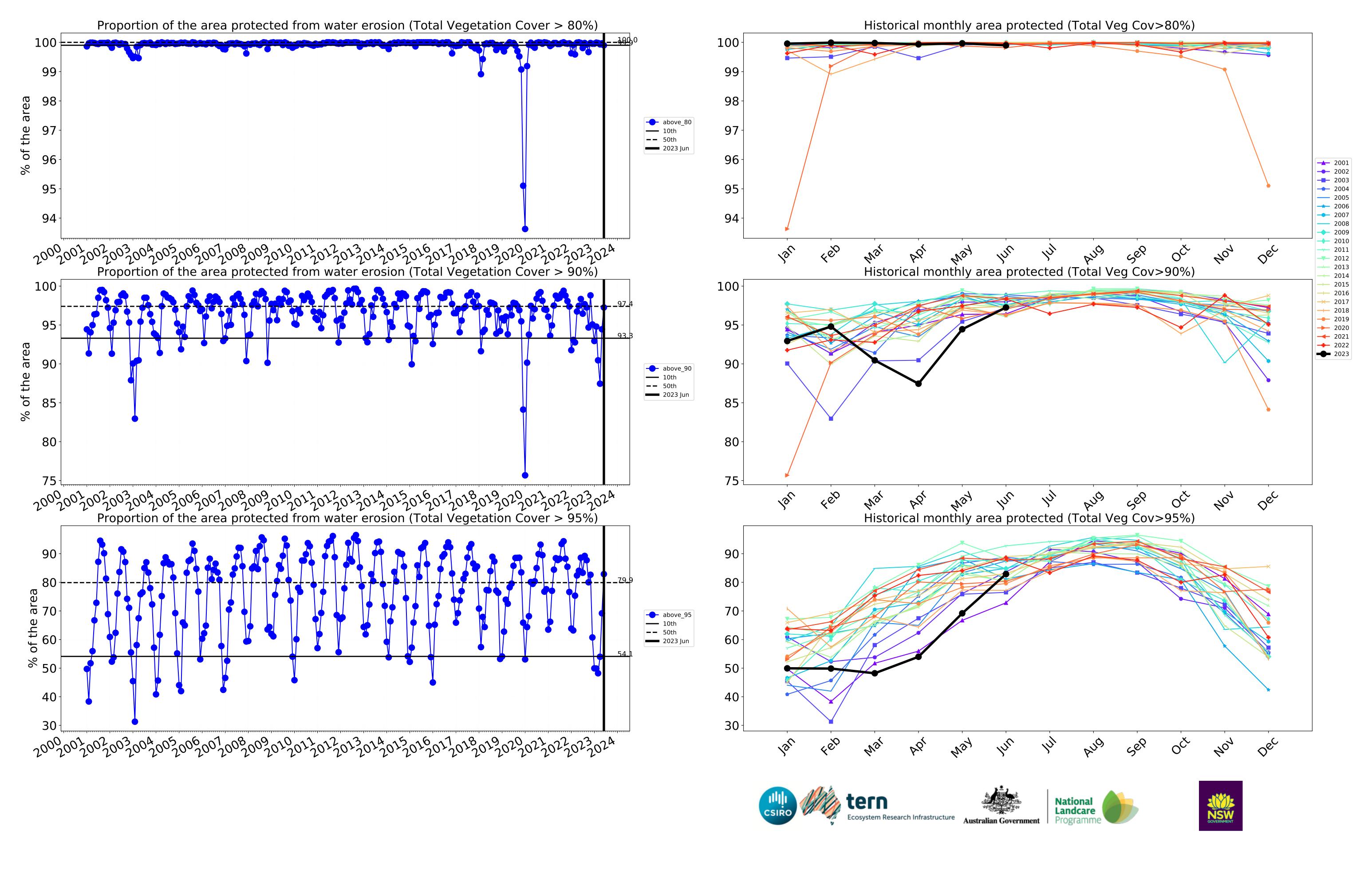




Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries







Hunter (3,238,025 ha and no data 62,400 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	3,238,025	99.8% 3,232,900	99.5% 3,223,050	98.4% 3,186,325	95.7% 3,098,000	74.3% 2,407,325	42.1% 1,362,525
Conservation and natural environments	1,241,325	99.9% 1,239,850	99.8% 1,238,600	99.6% 1,236,475	99.2% 1,230,850	89.6% 1,112,300	61.8% 767,650
Conservation and natural environments non forest	30,600	95.3% 29,150	92.6% 28,350	89.3% 27,325	85.0% 26,025	66.4% 20,325	28.3% 8,650
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	138,875	100.0% 138,875	99.8% 138,650	99.7% 138,450	99.2% 137,775	80.4% 111,625	39.1% 54,250
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	1,071,850	100.0% 1,071,825	100.0% 1,071,600	99.9% 1,070,700	99.6% 1,067,050	91.5% 980,350	65.8% 704,750
Agriculture	1,580,550	100.0% 1,580,275	99.9% 1,579,200	99.4% 1,571,825	96.4% 1,523,700	64.8% 1,024,475	25.1% 396,200
Grazing	1,502,550	100.0% 1,502,275	99.9% 1,501,200	99.6% 1,496,475	97.5% 1,465,250	67.2% 1,009,975	26.2% 393,675
Grazing non forest	1,212,700	100.0% 1,212,450	99.9% 1,211,575	99.6% 1,207,525	97.3% 1,180,175	65.9% 799,525	24.7% 299,150
Grazing Woodland forest	120,600	100.0% 120,600	99.9% 120,475	99.6% 120,125	97.9% 118,125	63.3% 76,375	20.5% 24,675
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	169,250	100.0% 169,225	99.9% 169,150	99.7% 168,825	98.6% 166,950	79.2% 134,075	41.3% 69,850
Cropping	50,625	100.0% 50,625	100.0% 50,625	95.5% 48,325	73.0% 36,950	19.9% 10,075	3.8% 1,900
Production native forests and plantation forests	218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,550	99.9% 218,350	97.3% 212,575	82.9% 181,175







