Total vegetation cover soil protection **Region:NRM Riverina 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: December 2014

Results can be shown for the whole region (polygon), and separated by land use and forest cover classes which are likely to show different cover patterns and targets. Land use is divided into four broad classes: Conservation and natural environments, Agriculture, production native forests and plantation forests (no report), and other (no report). Agriculture is divided into grazing, crops and horticulture which are sub-divided into non-irrigated and irrigated. If forest is present land use is further divided into: non-forest, woodland forest and non-woodland forest. The area of each land use and forest class are shown as a map and chart. The report content is repeated for each land use and forest cover class that covers at least 1% of the area of the chosen region. Total vegetation Cover:

The total vegetation cover indicates where soil is likely to be protected from wind and or water hillslope erosion. Total vegetation cover for this month is shown on a map and chart classified into 4 classes.

• 71-100% High cover - protected from wind and usually water erosion (high rainfall, steep slopes, and erodible soils may need greater than 80, 90, 95 and up to 100% cover)

- 51-70% Moderate cover protected from wind erosion
- 31-50% Low cover not protected
- 0-30% Very Low cover not protected

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

The vegetation cover threshold required to prevent soil erosion is usually 50% to reduce wind erosion, 70% or 80% to reduce water (hillslope) erosion depending on the steepness and rainfall. Areas protected from erosion for the month:

- Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares.
- Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares.

Comparison with previous years:

- Map: anomaly comparing this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years.
- Map: deciles rank of month against the same month in previous years.

Anomalies and deciles until September 2019 are calculated comparing to the same months 2001 to 2019. Extra monthly data will be used to calculate anomalies and deciles post September 2019 as they become available. Time series monthly from January 2001 to current:

Erosion protection

- Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month (orange lines). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.
- Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month (blue line). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.

Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

Each time series is also stacked by year. The black line shows the current year of data. Water erosion protection for higher rainfall and steeper slopes:

Water erosion protection on higher slopes. As slope increases, more cover is required to control water erosion. The thresholds reported are:

- the percentage area with pixels greater than 80% total cover.
- the percentage area with pixels greater than 90% total cover.
- the percentage area with pixels greater than 95% total cover.

Acknowledgment of data:

- 1. http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/aclump/land-use/alum-classification
- 2. http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/forestsaustralia/sofr/sofr-2018
- 3. https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pastures-and-rangelands/establishment-mgmt/production-management2/groundcover
- 4. MODIS Fractional cover algorithm:

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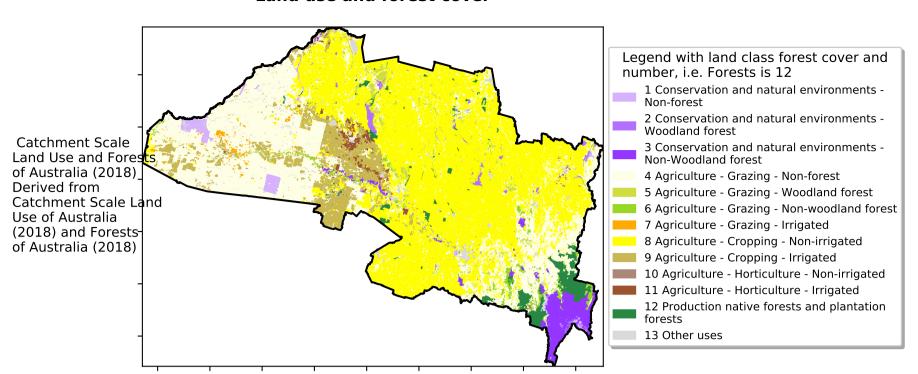




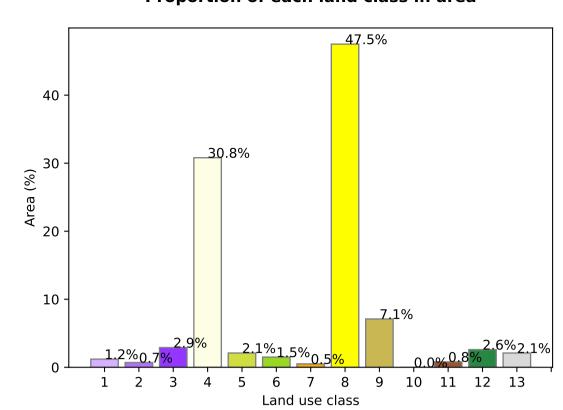


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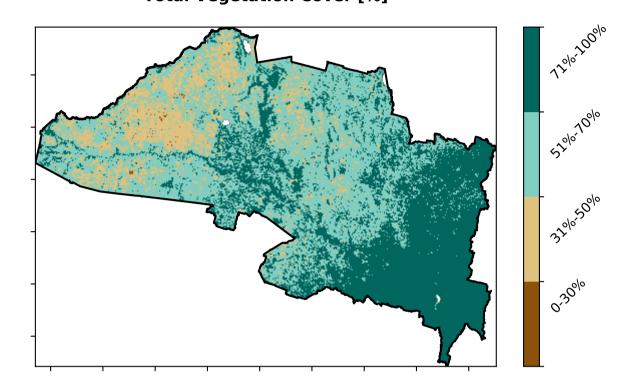
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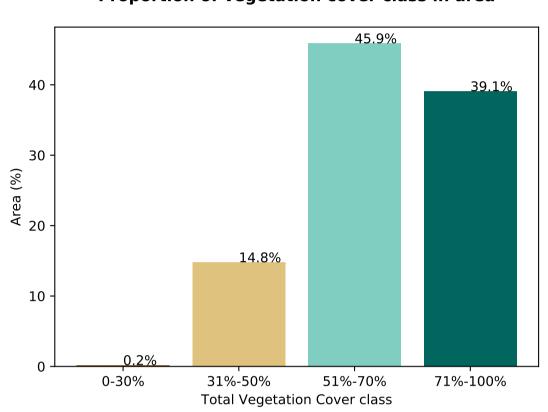
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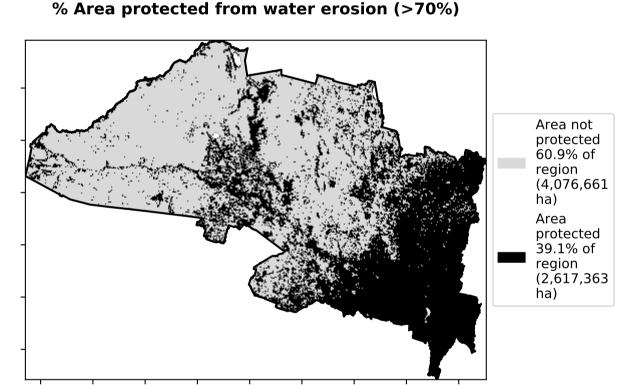


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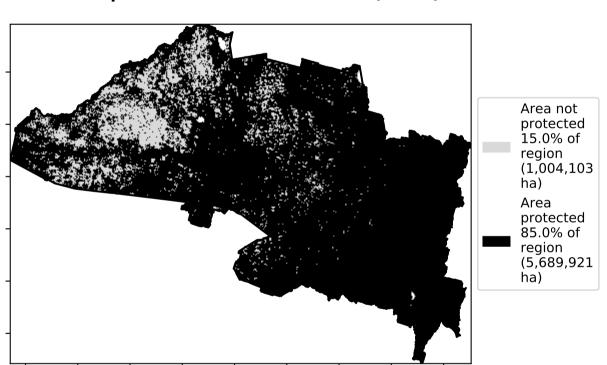


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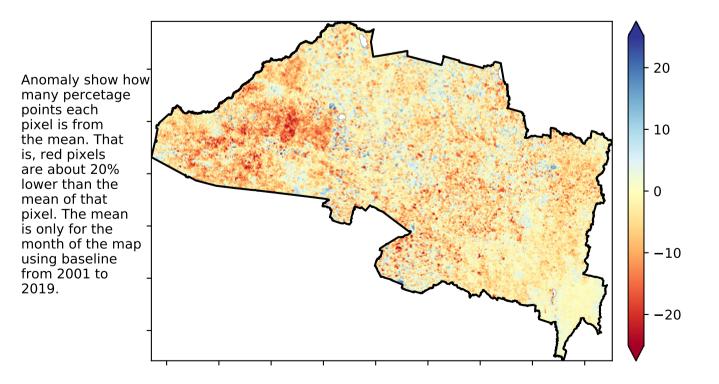




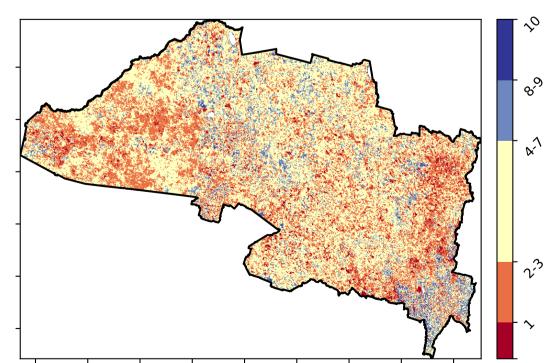
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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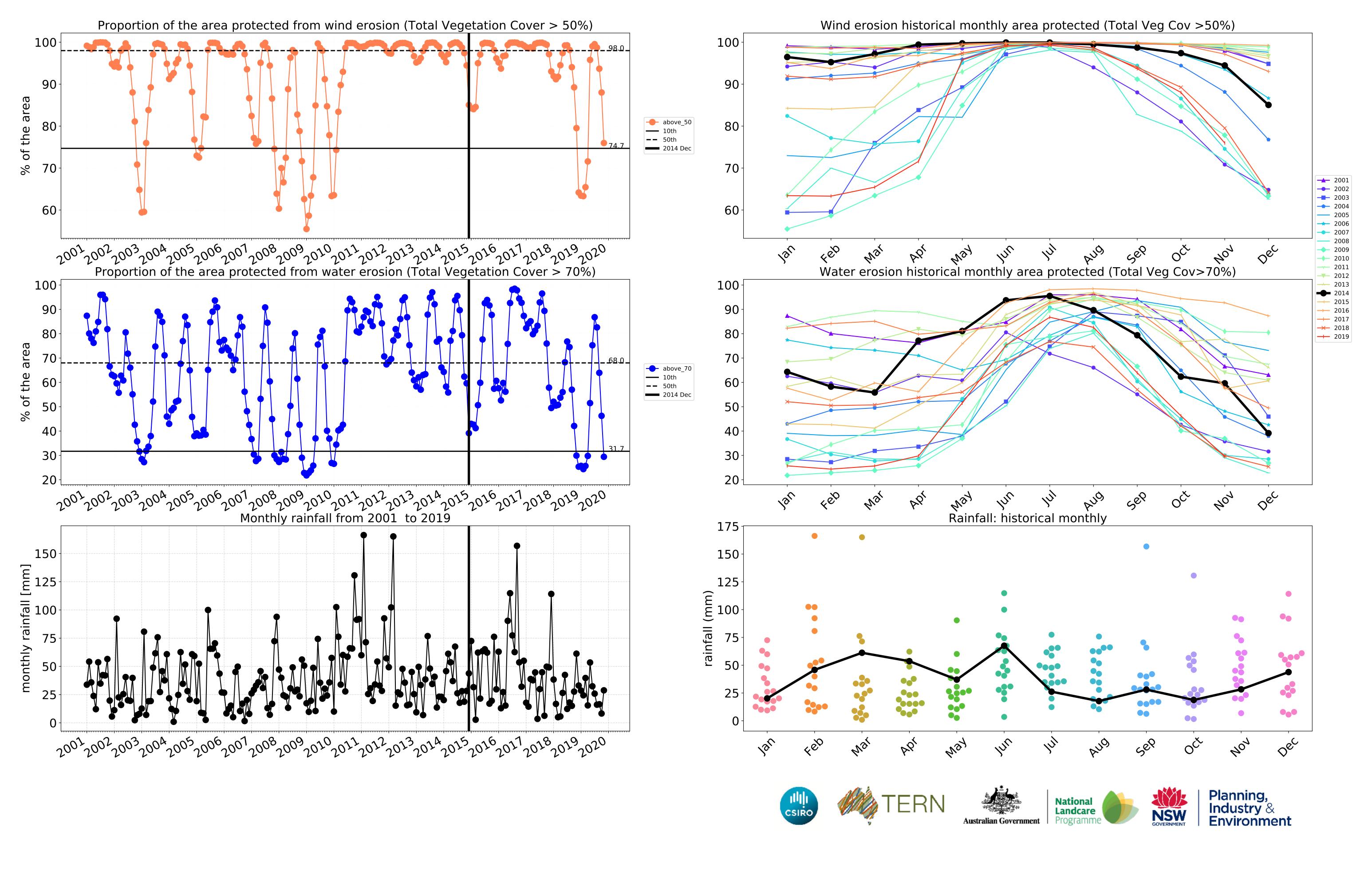




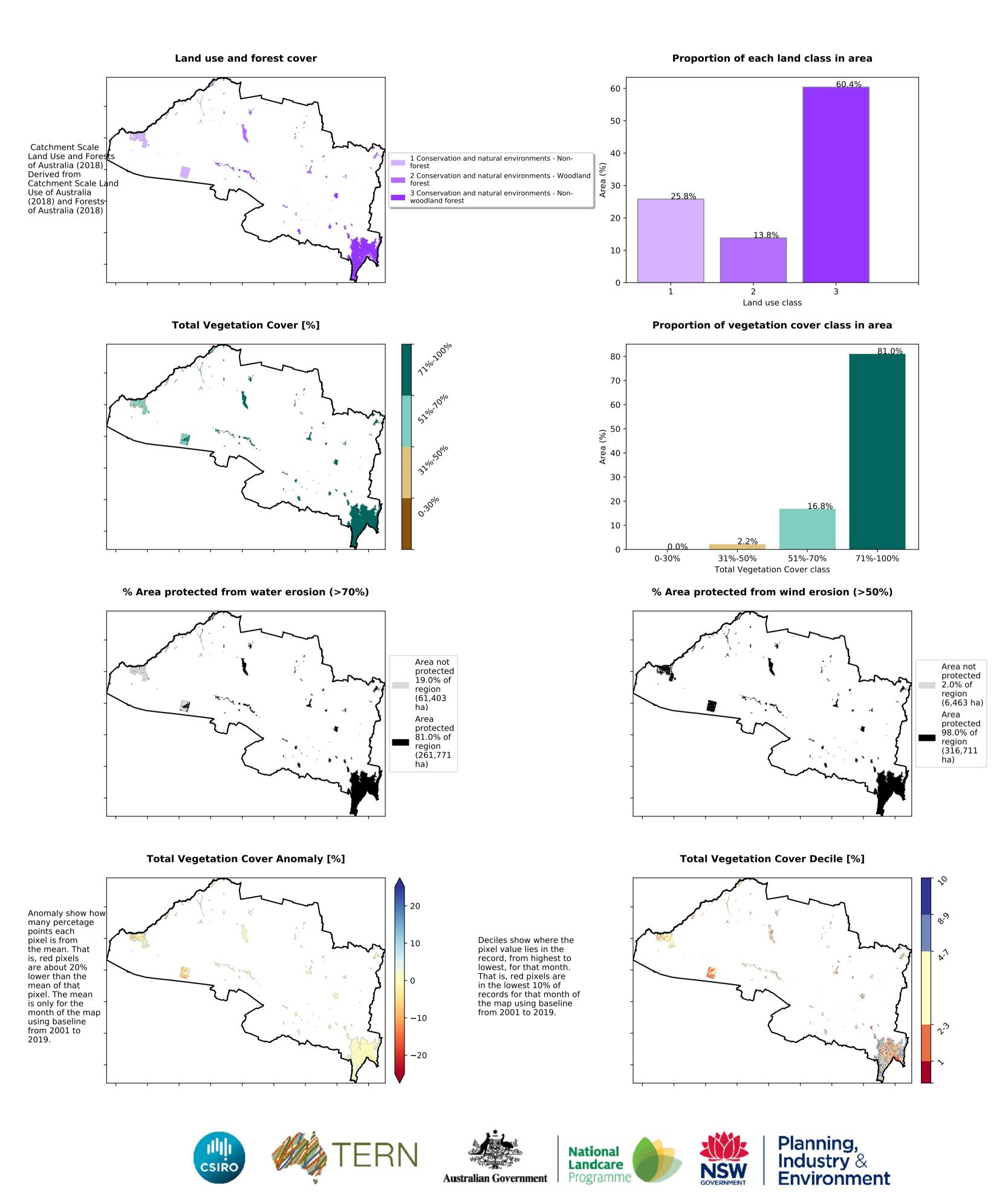




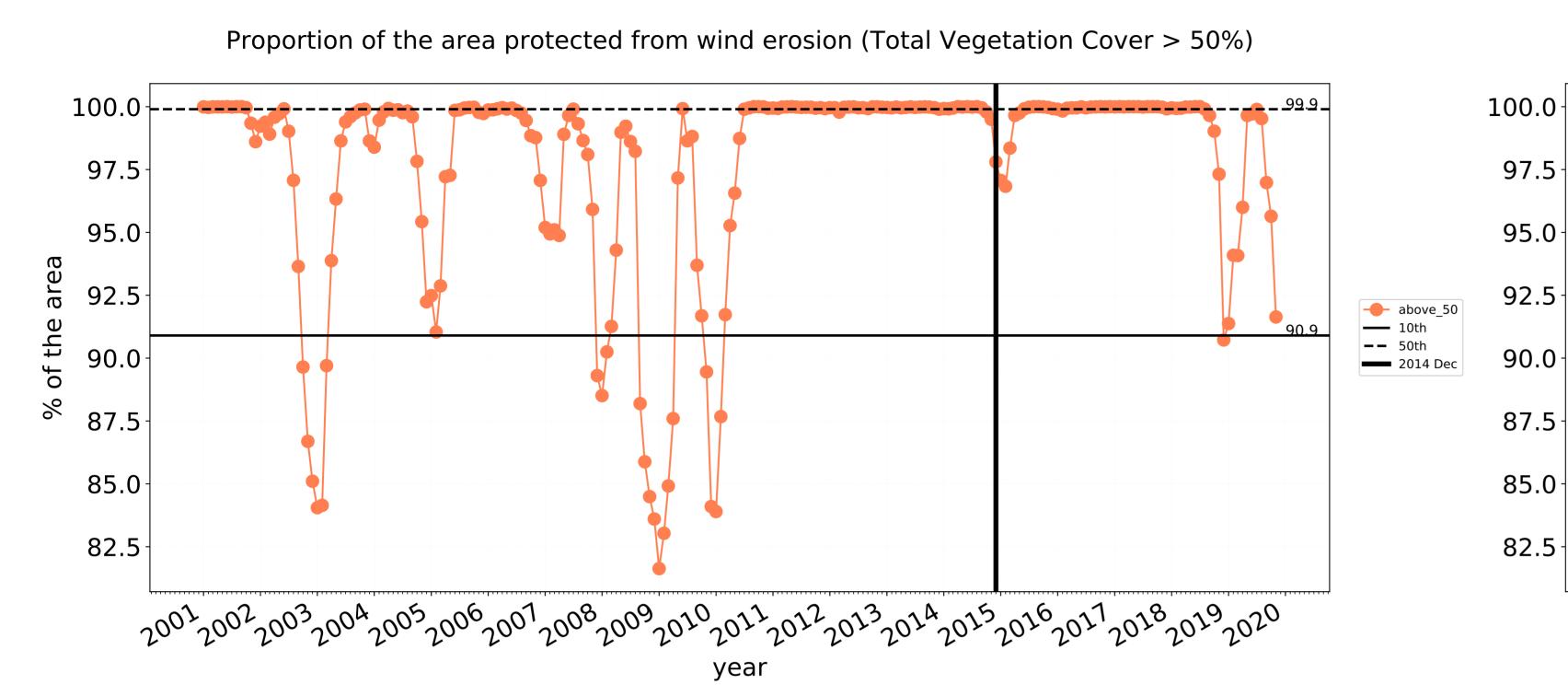


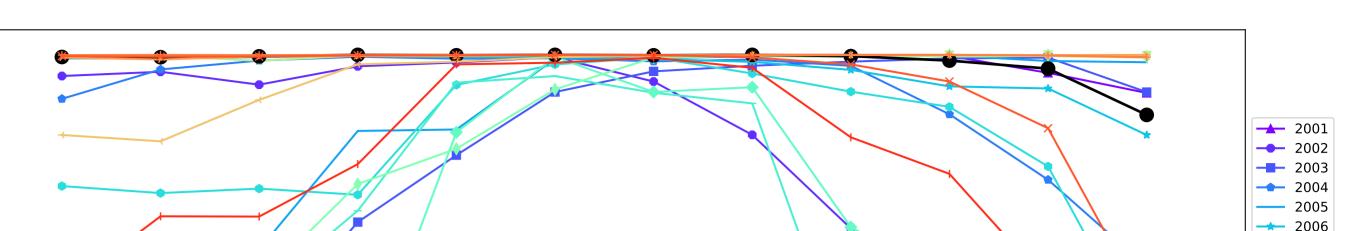


Conservation and natural environments



Conservation and natural environments timeseries





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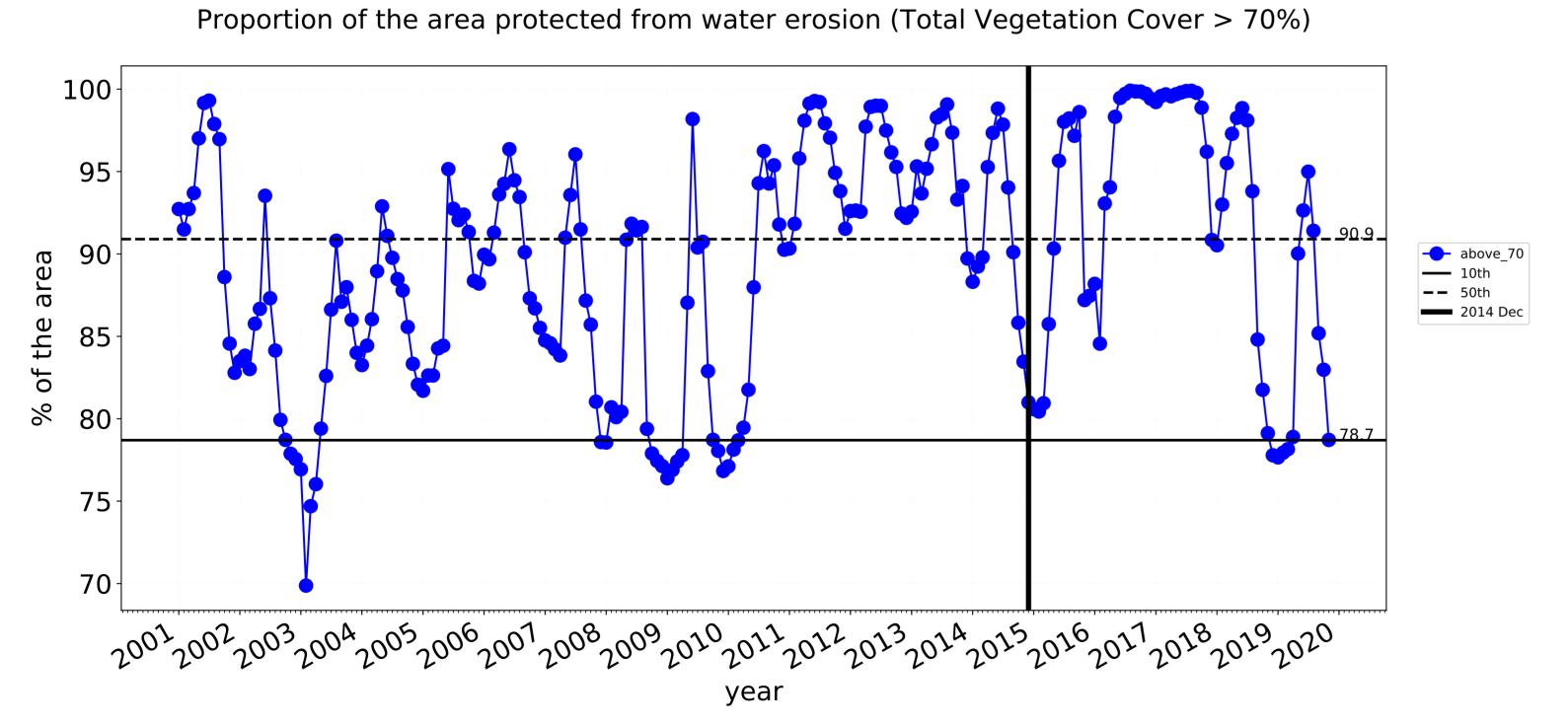
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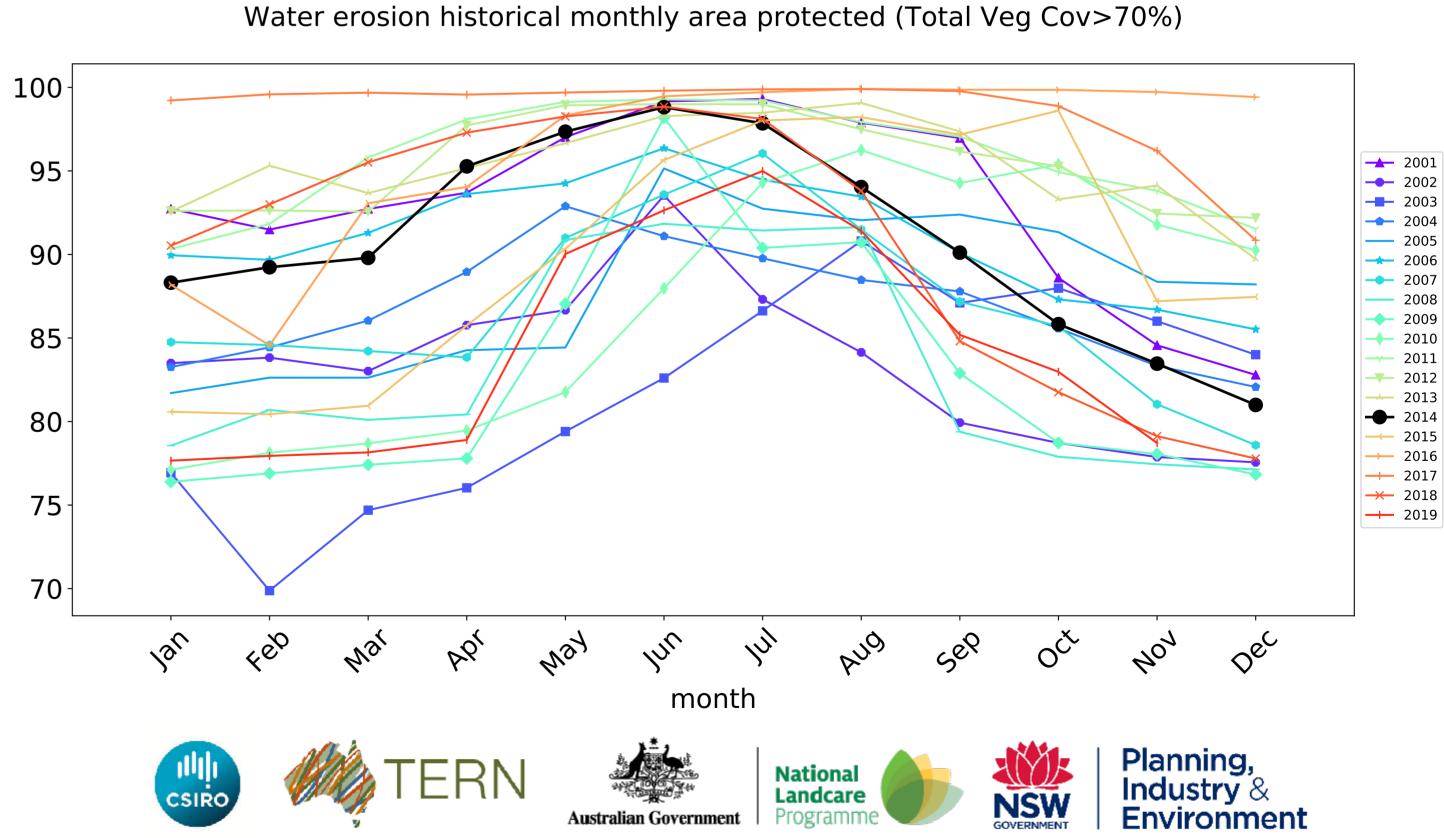
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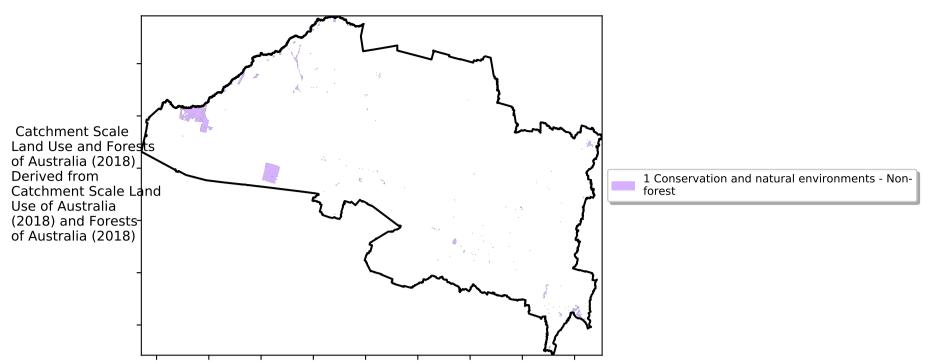
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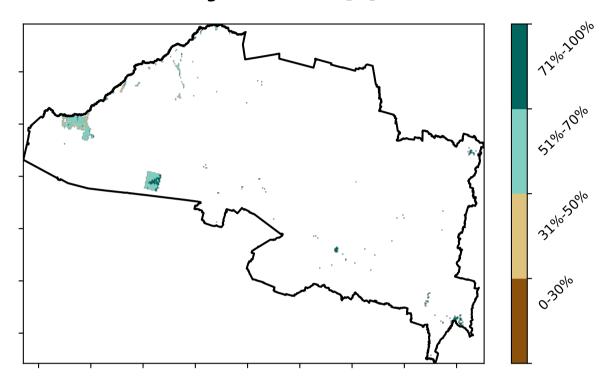


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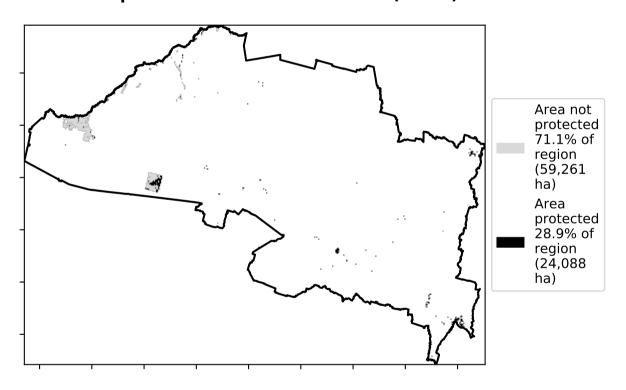
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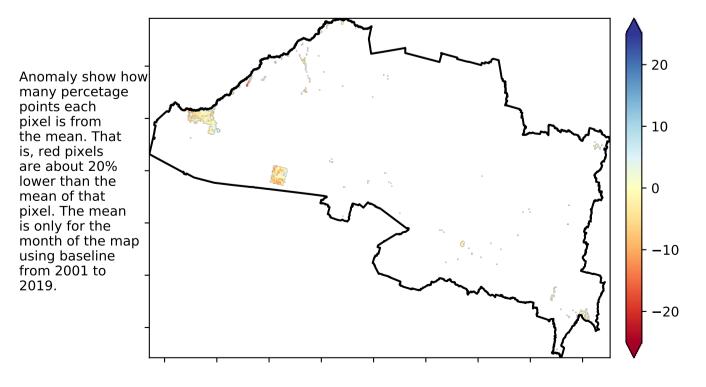
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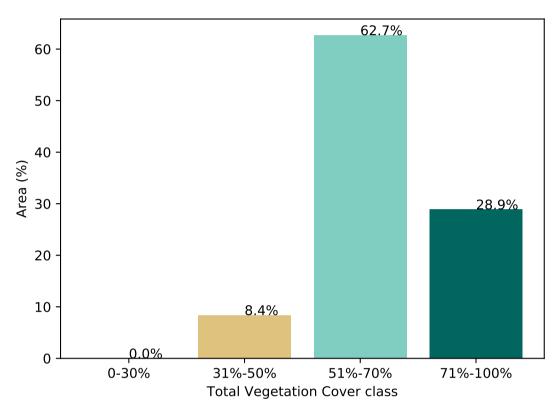


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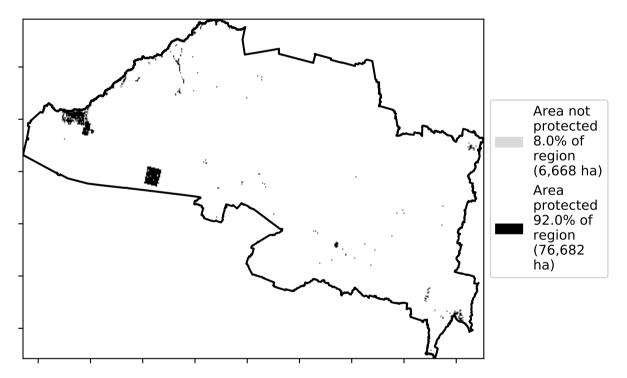


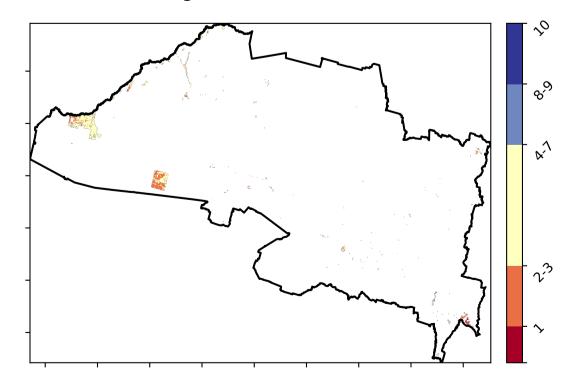
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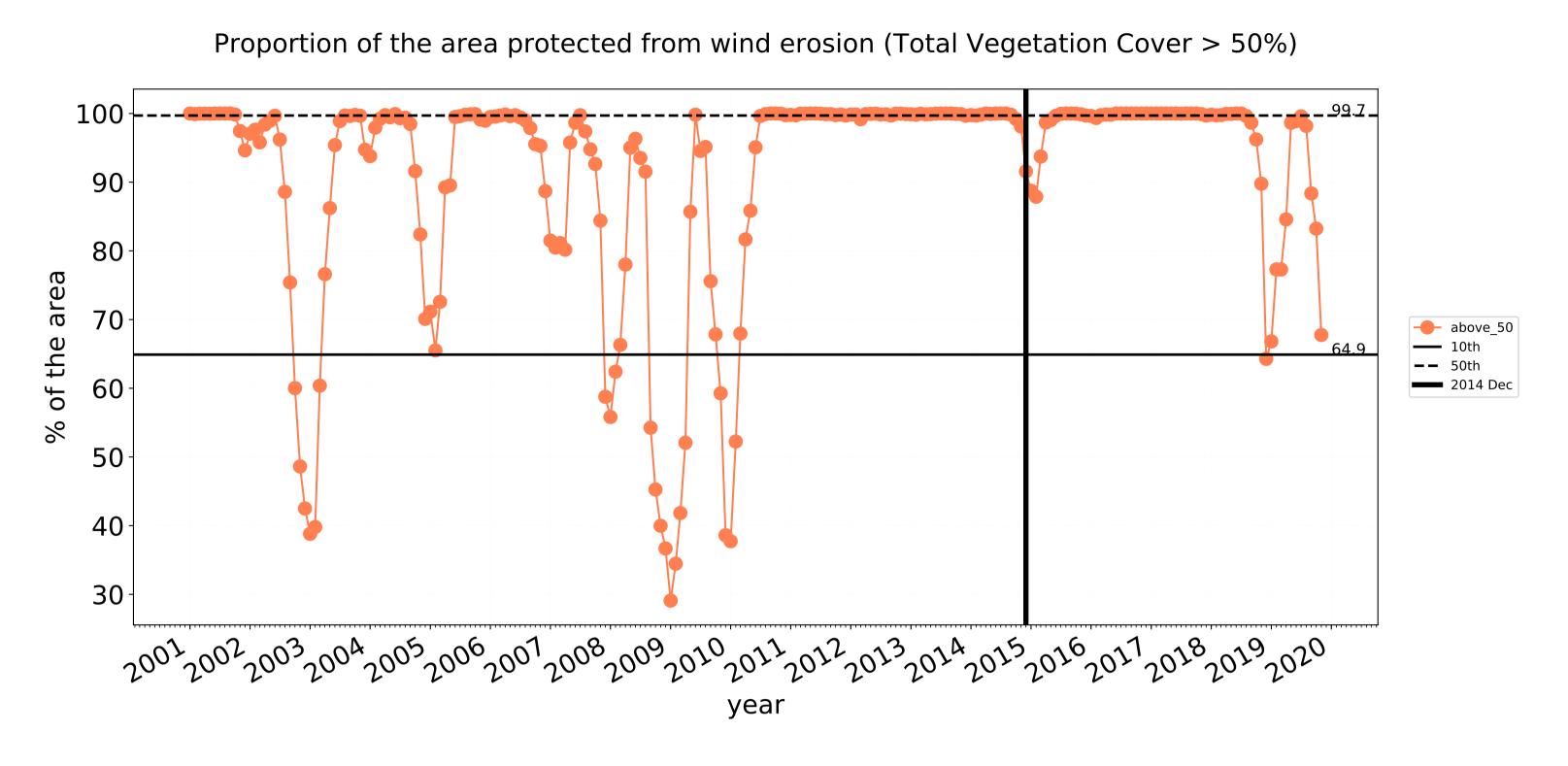


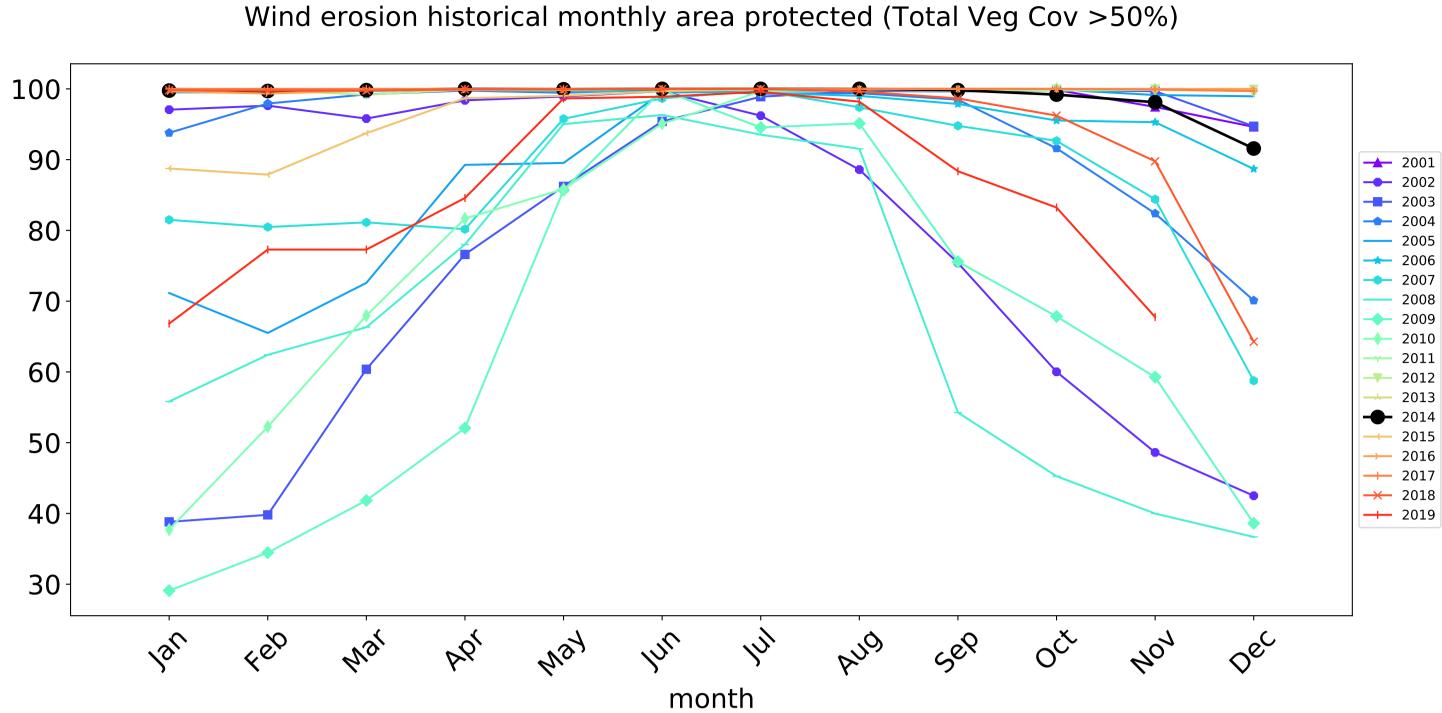


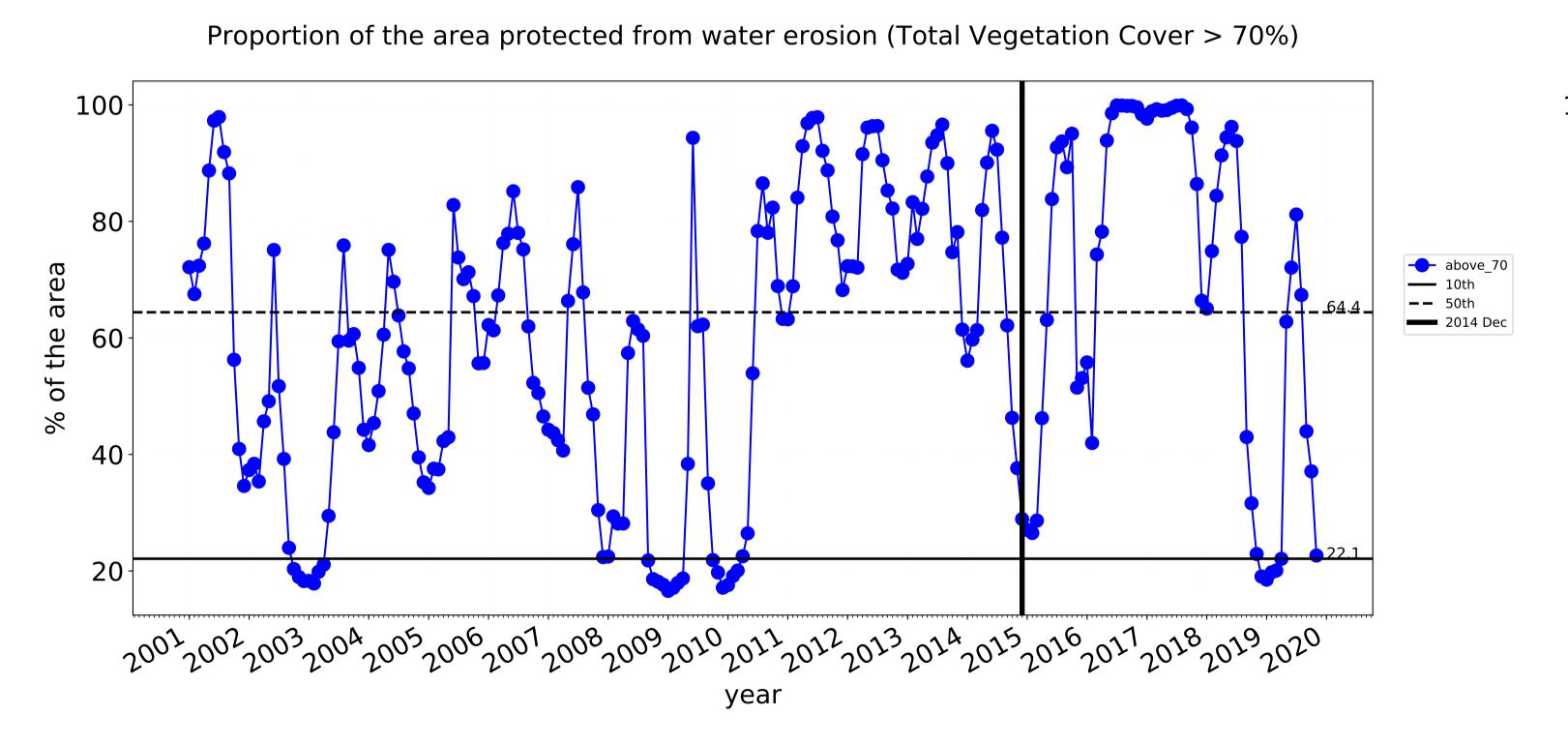


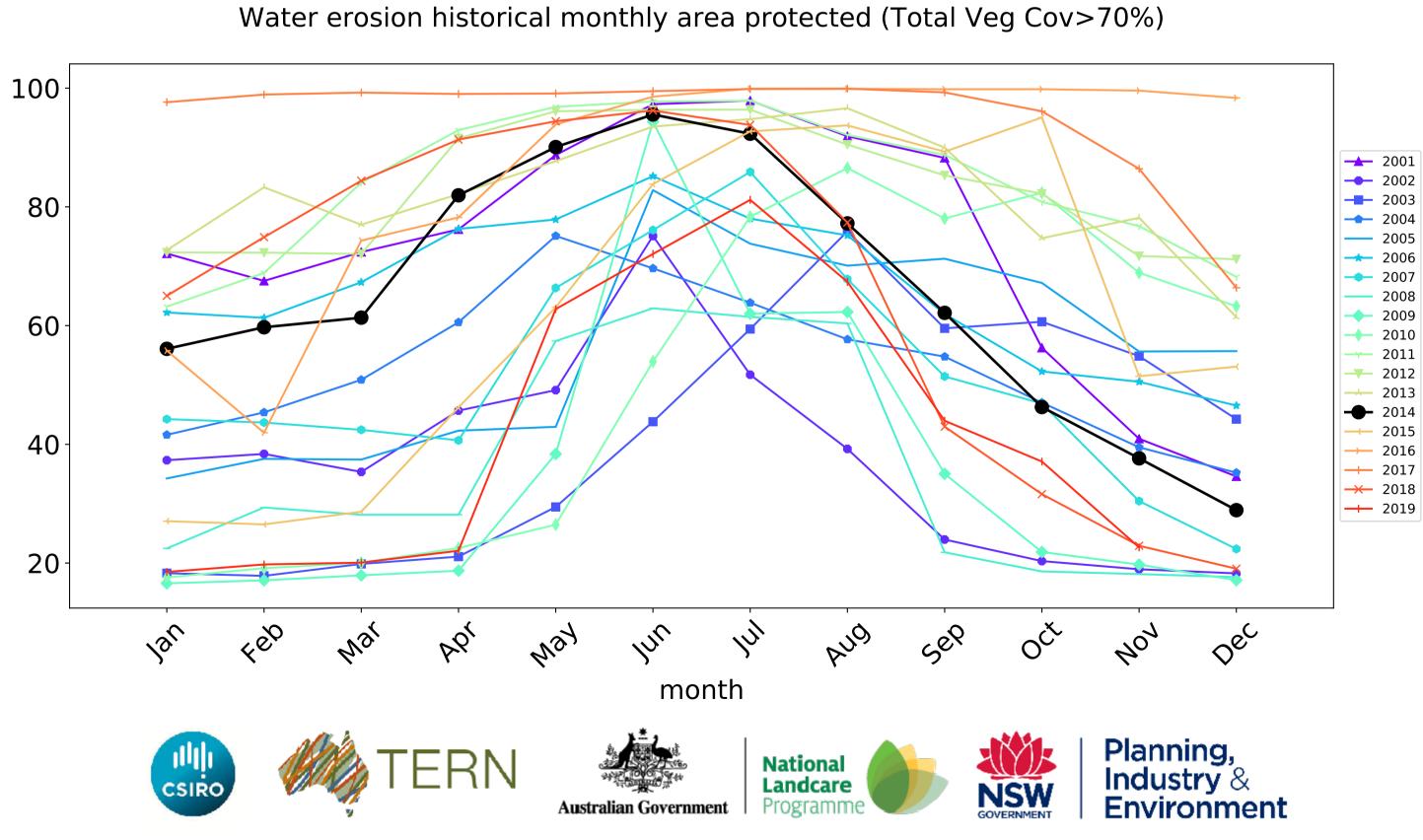


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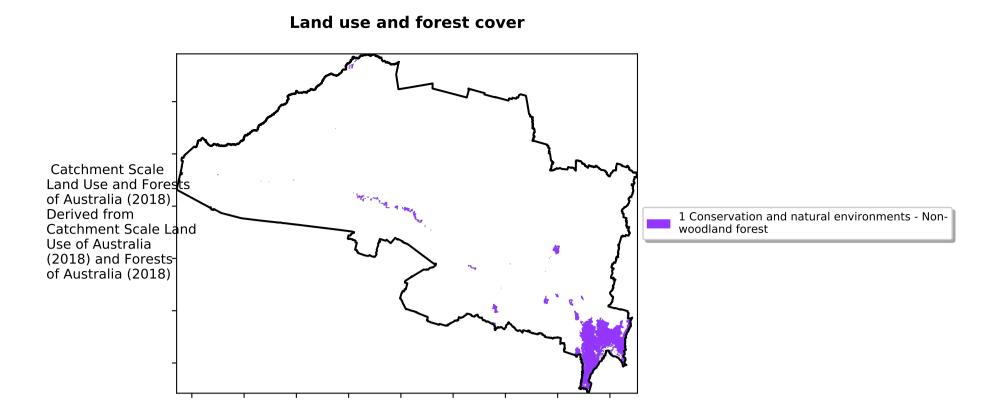




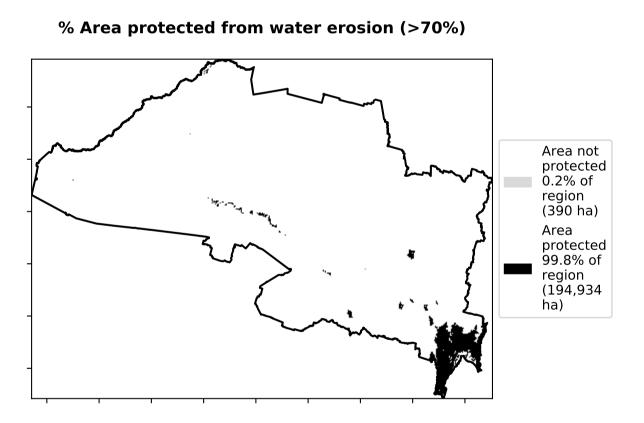


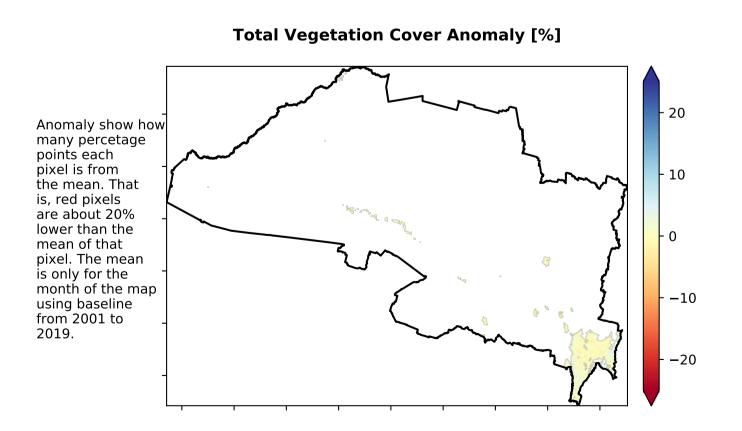


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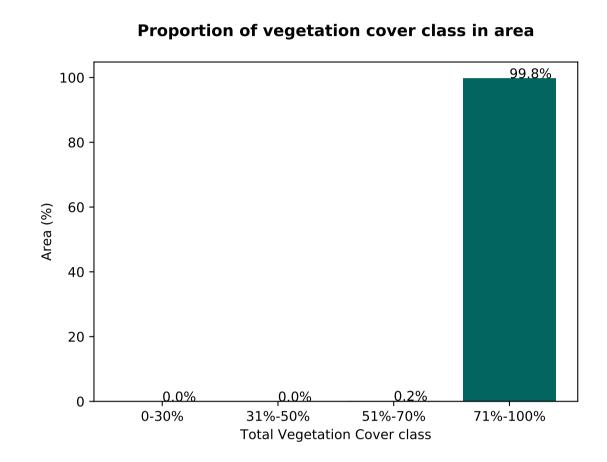


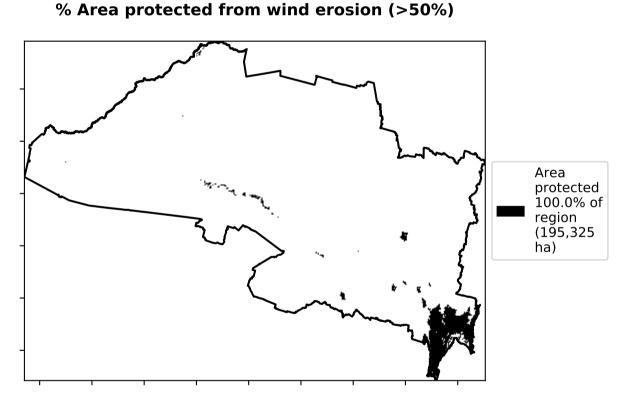
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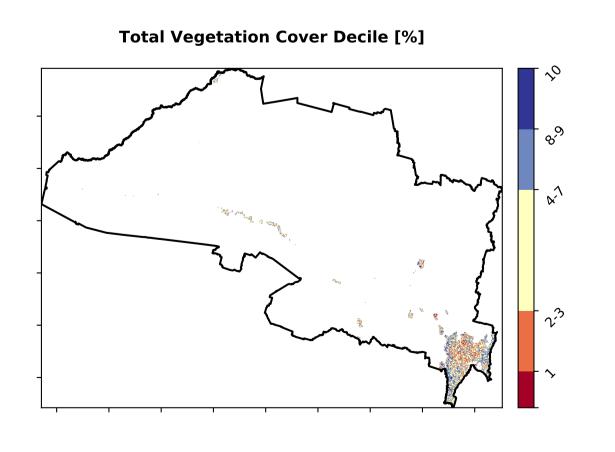




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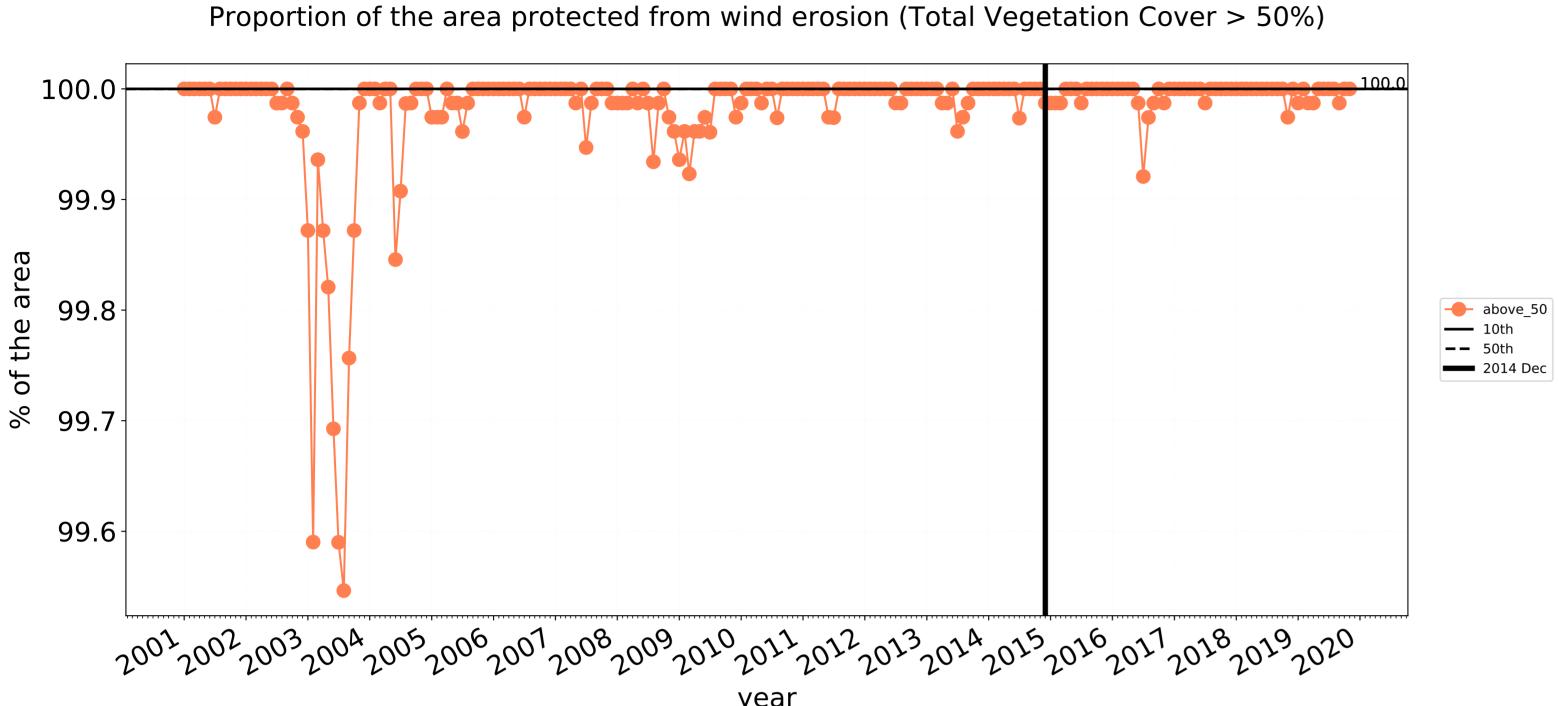


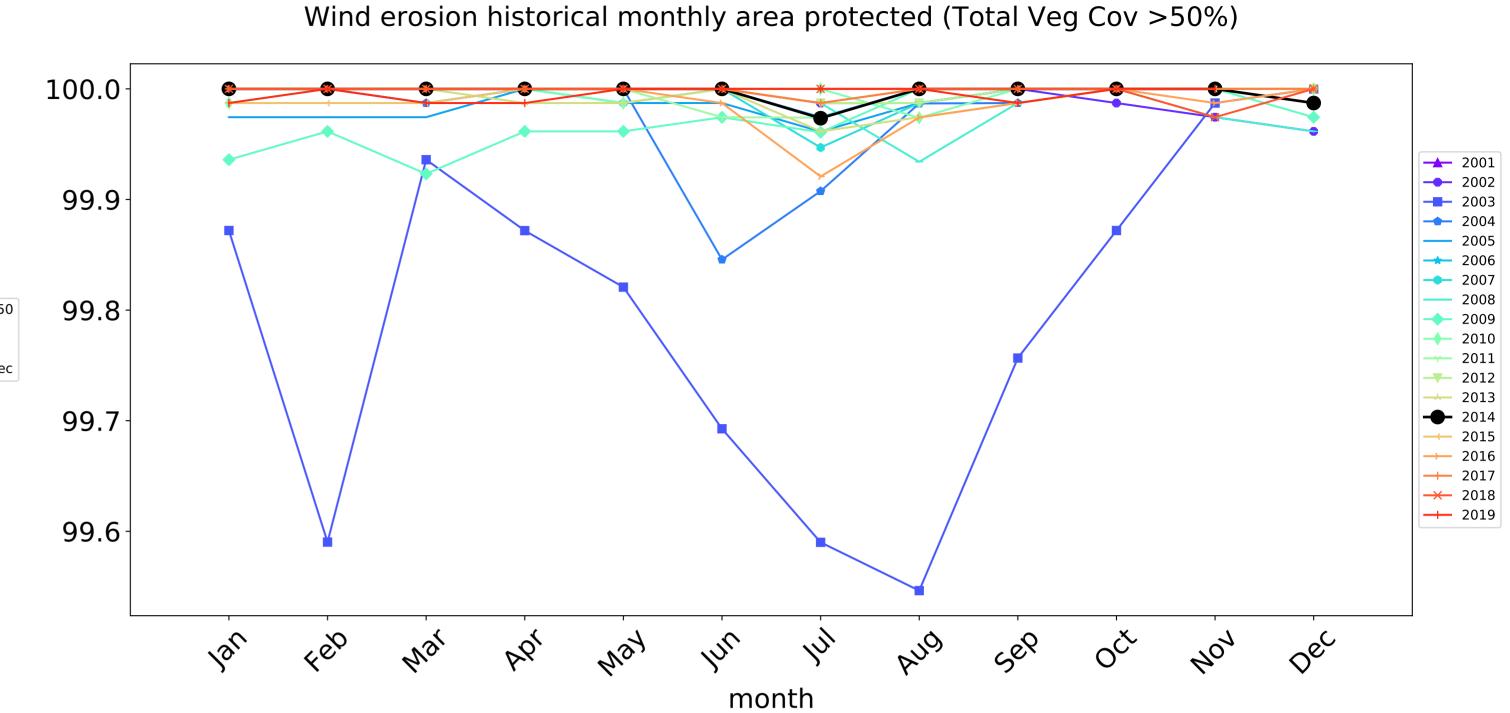


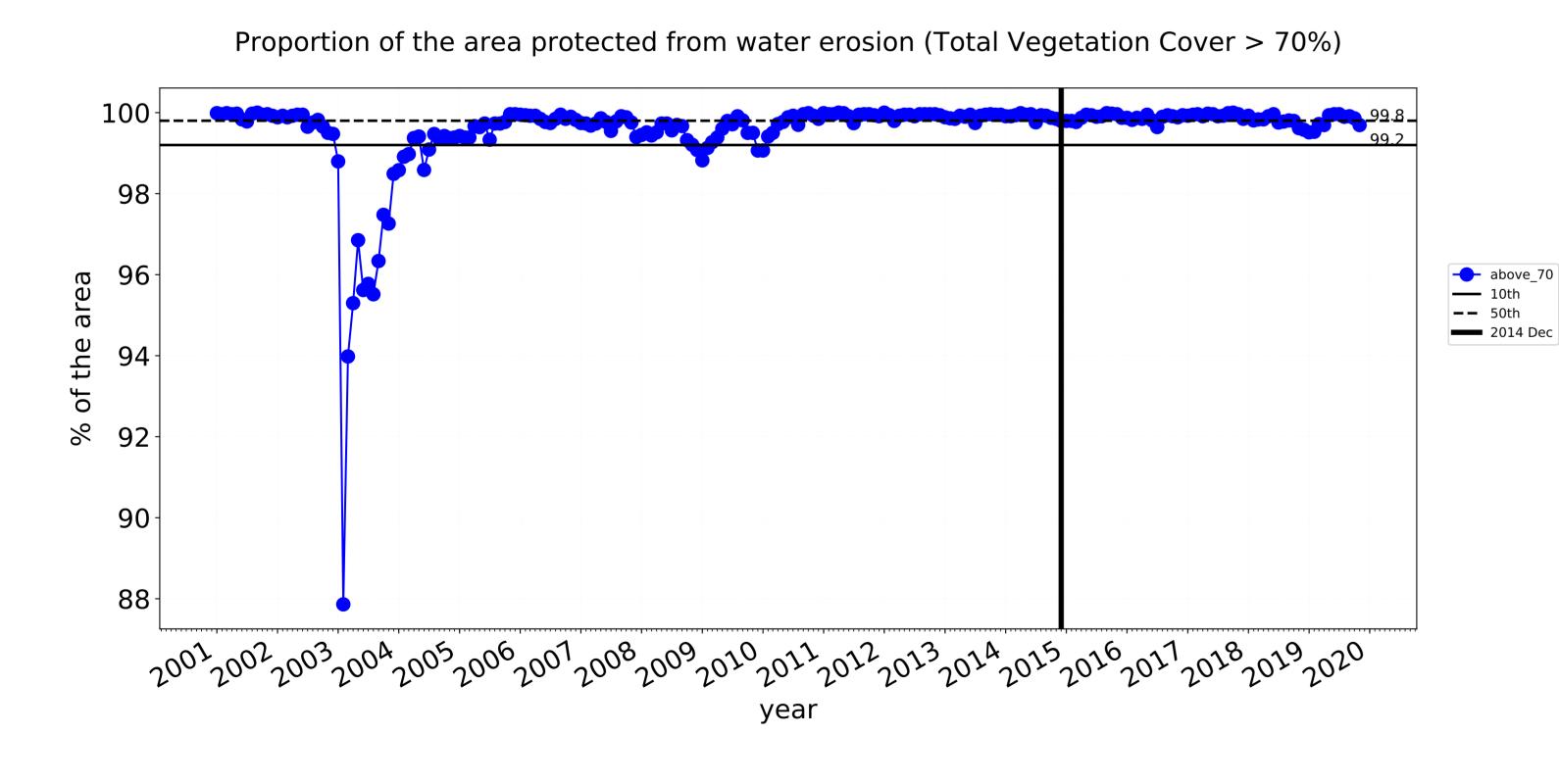


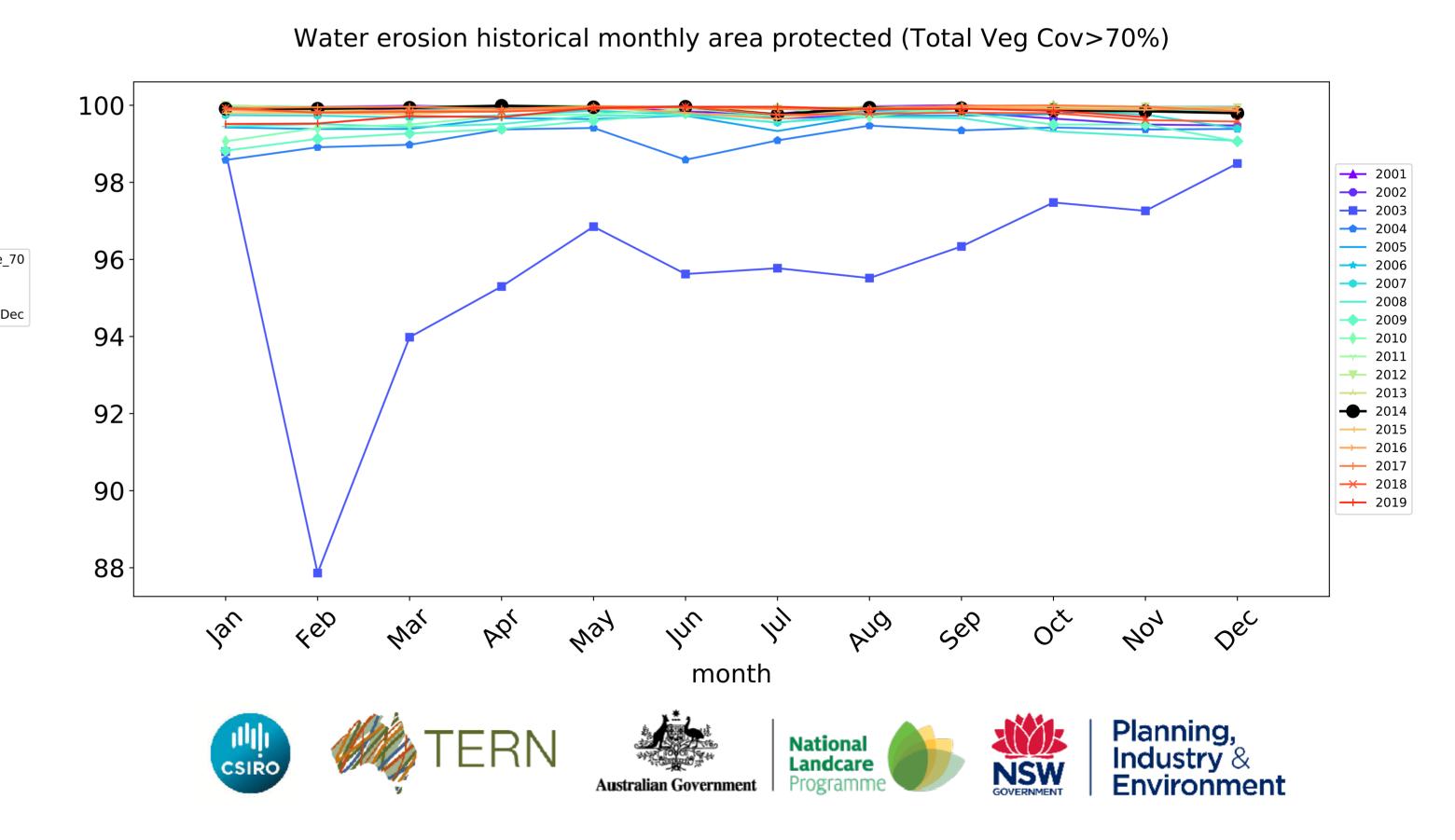








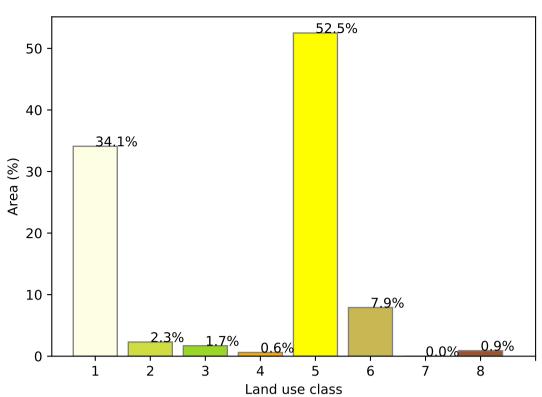




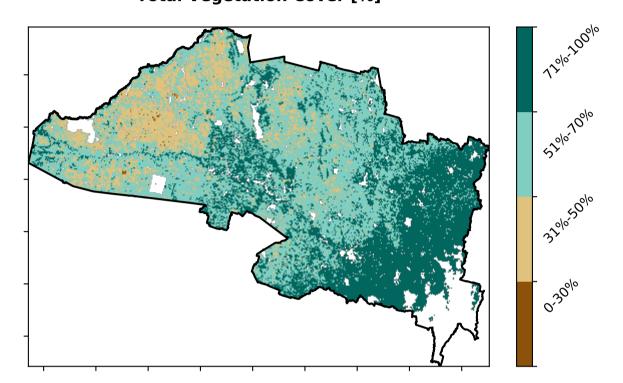
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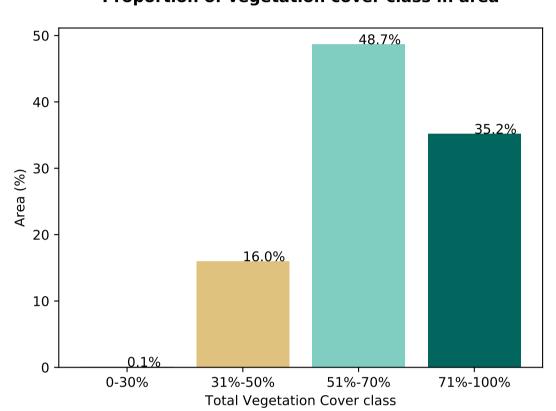
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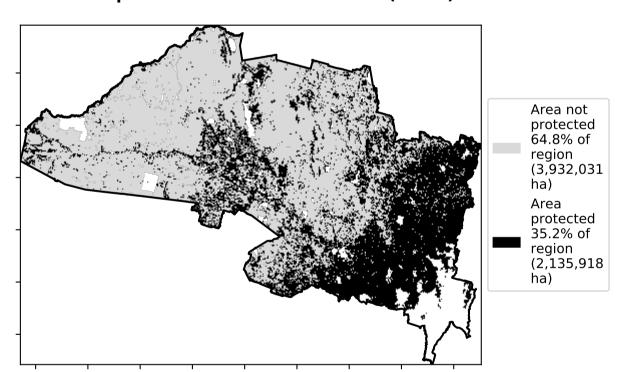
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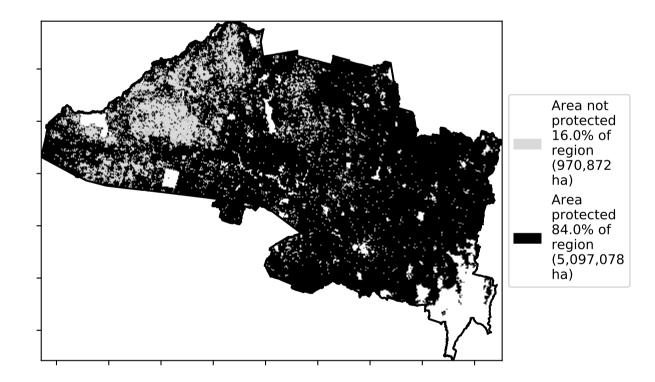
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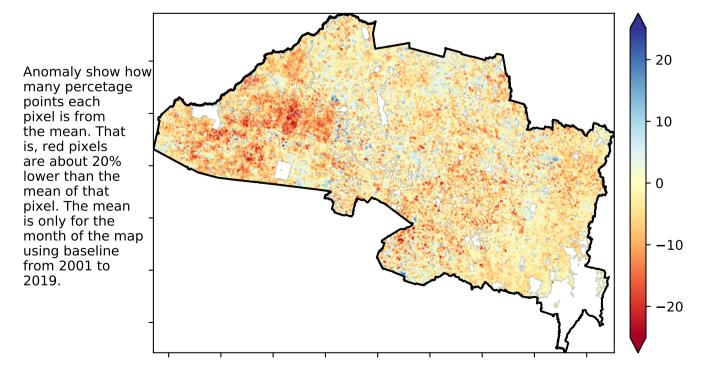
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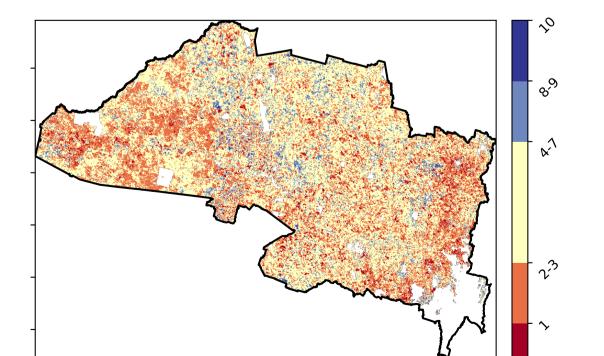
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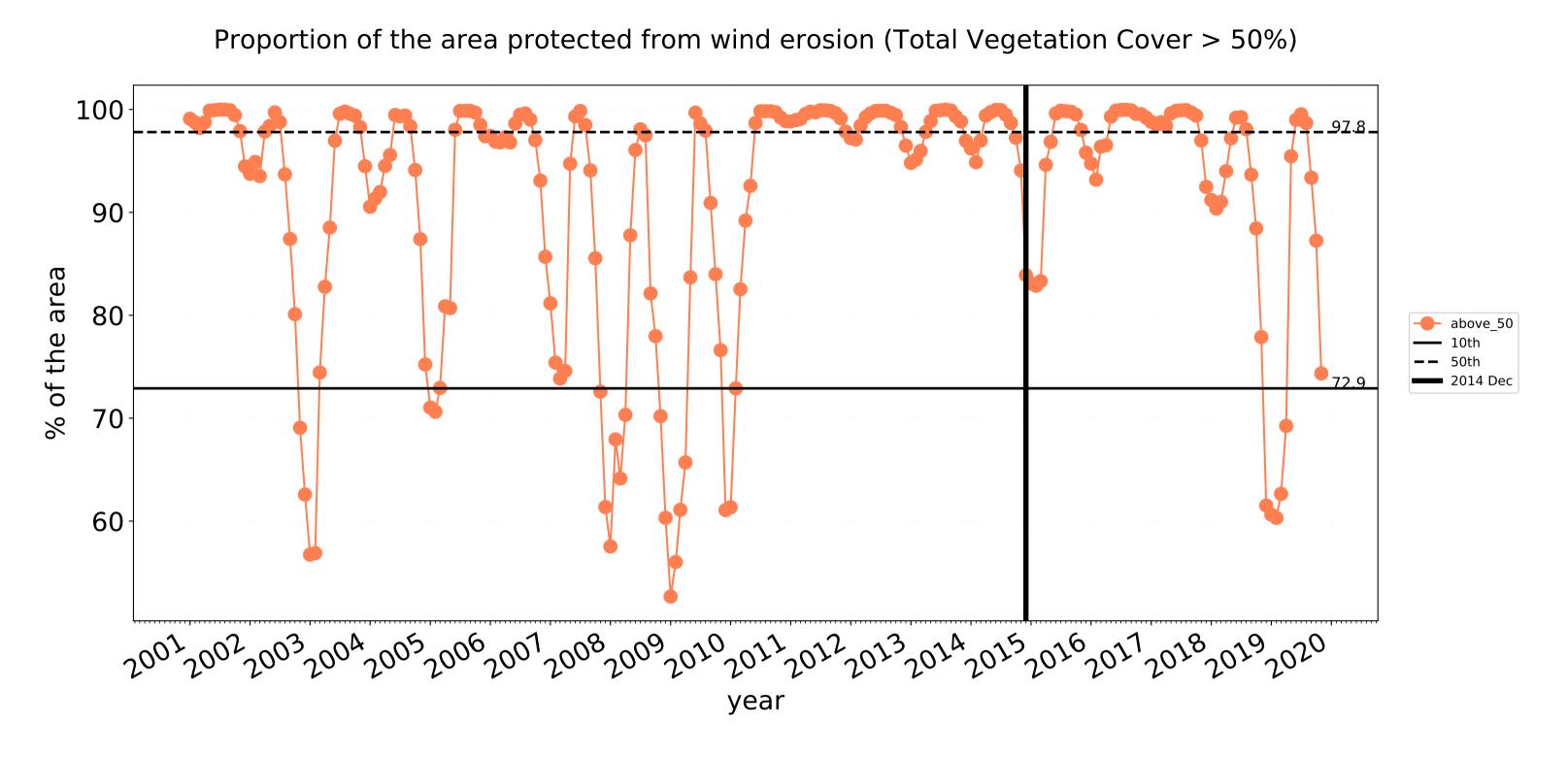


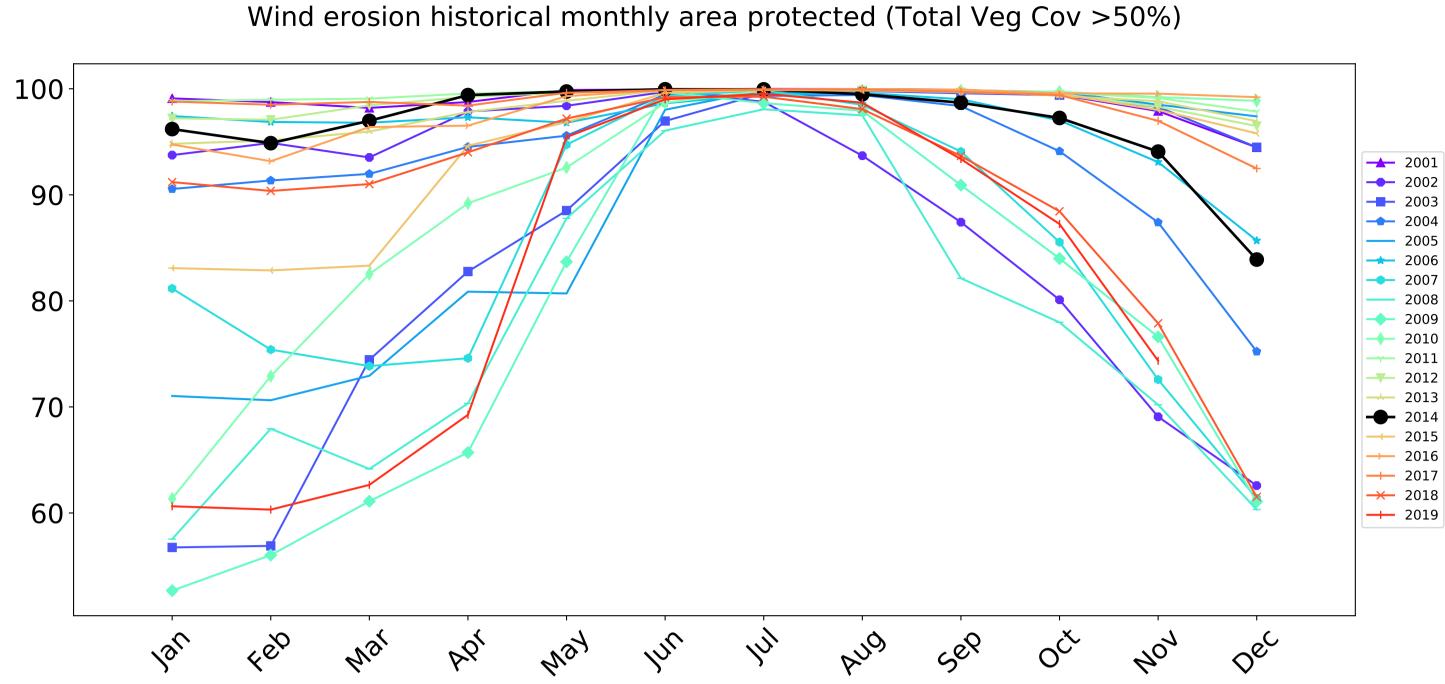




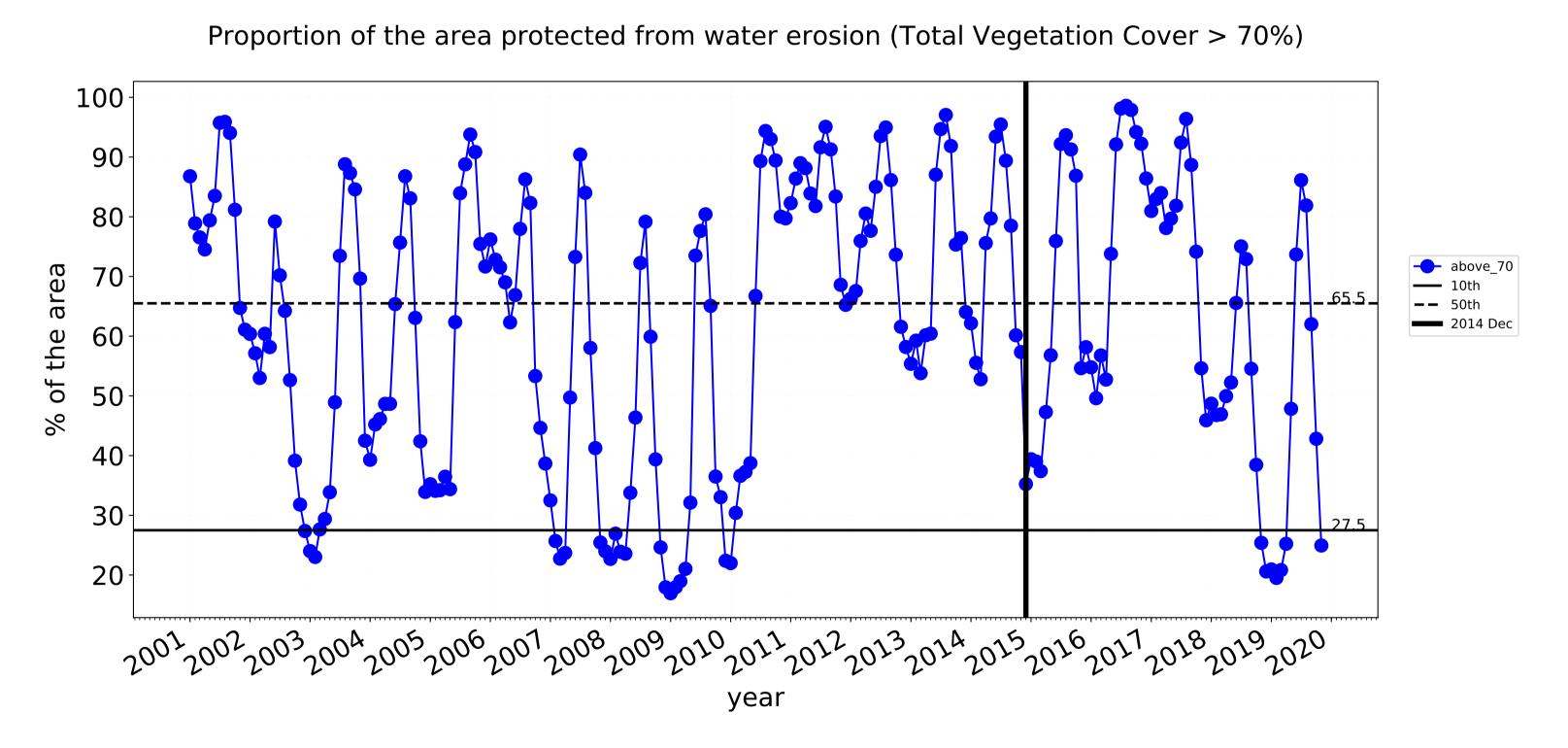


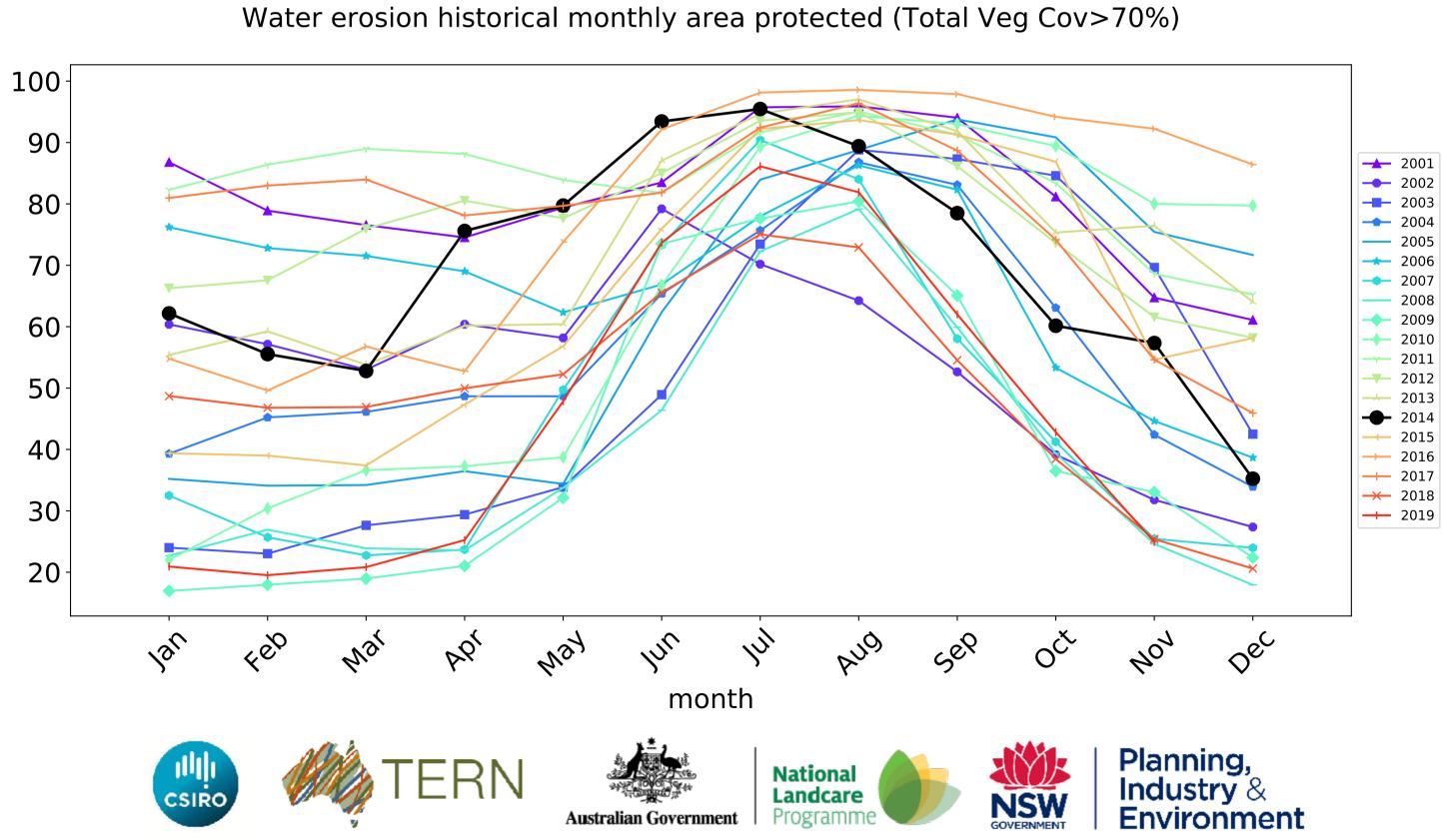
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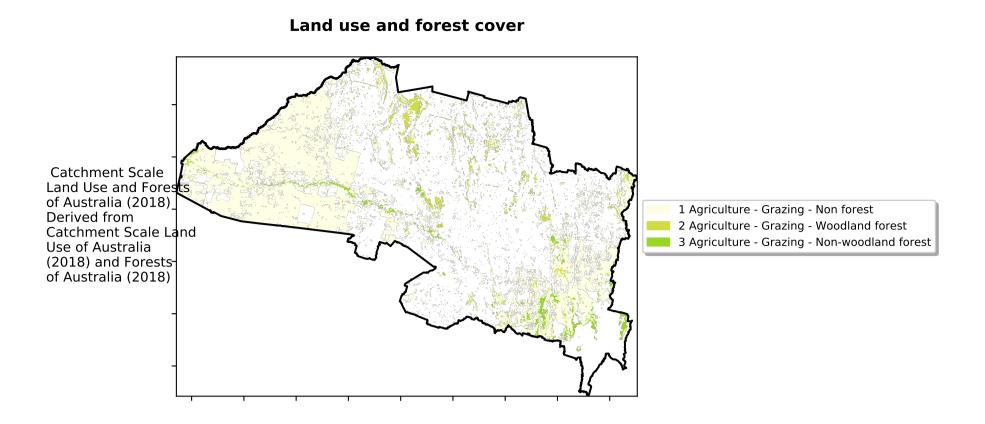


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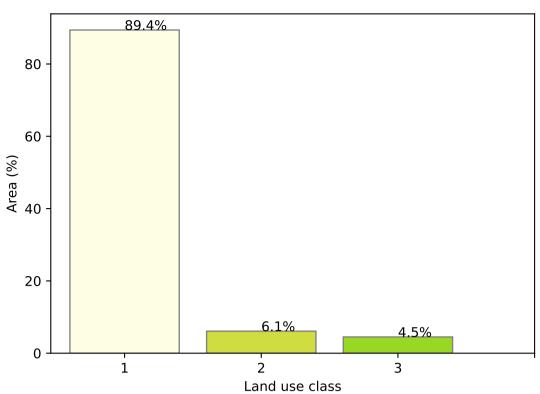




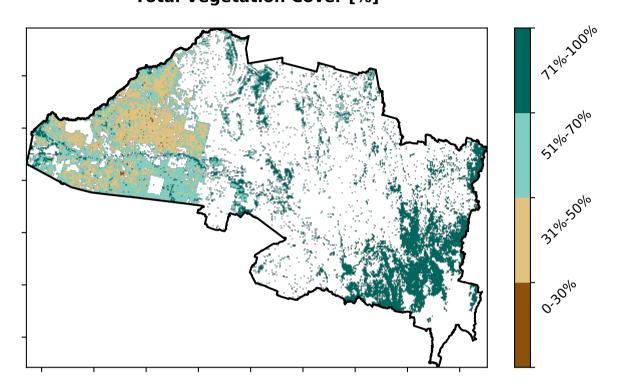
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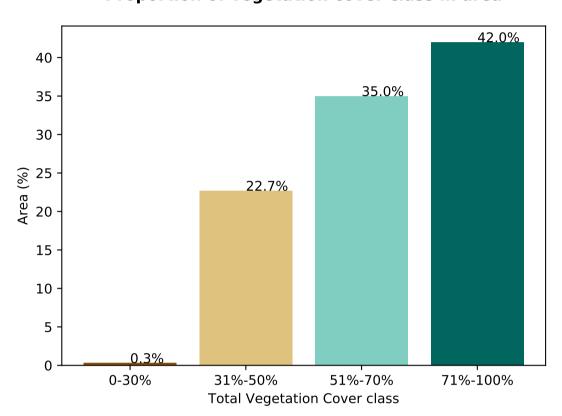
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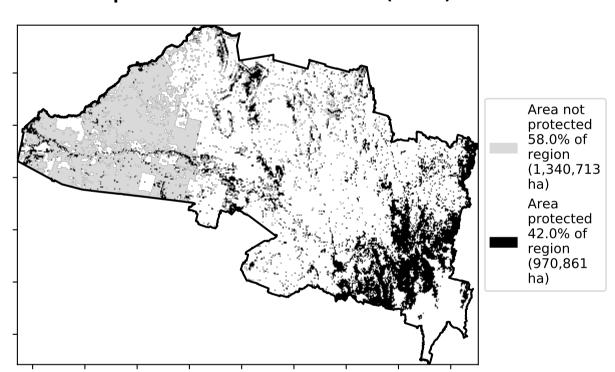
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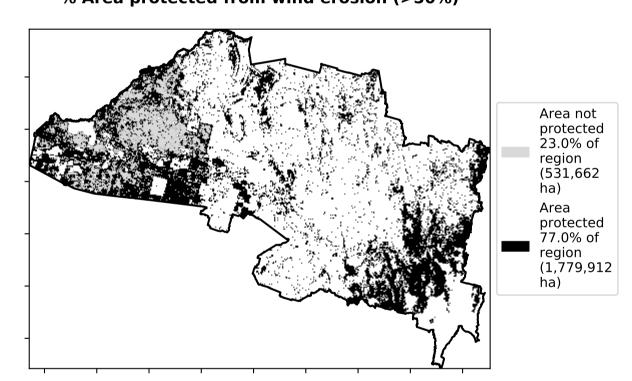
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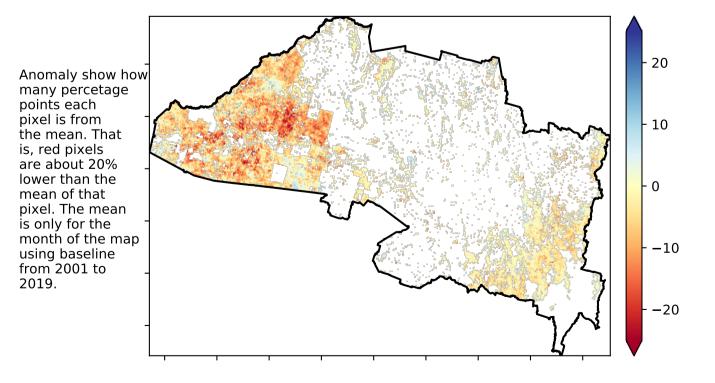
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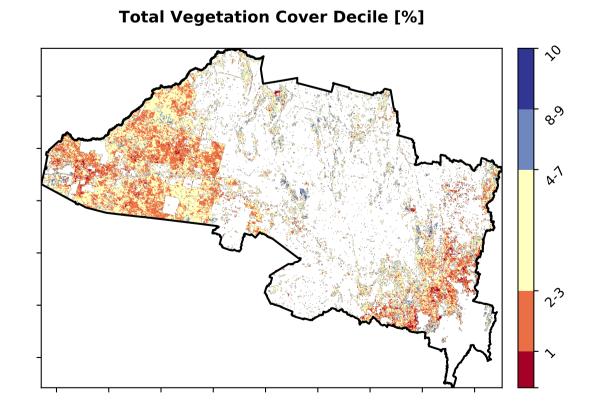
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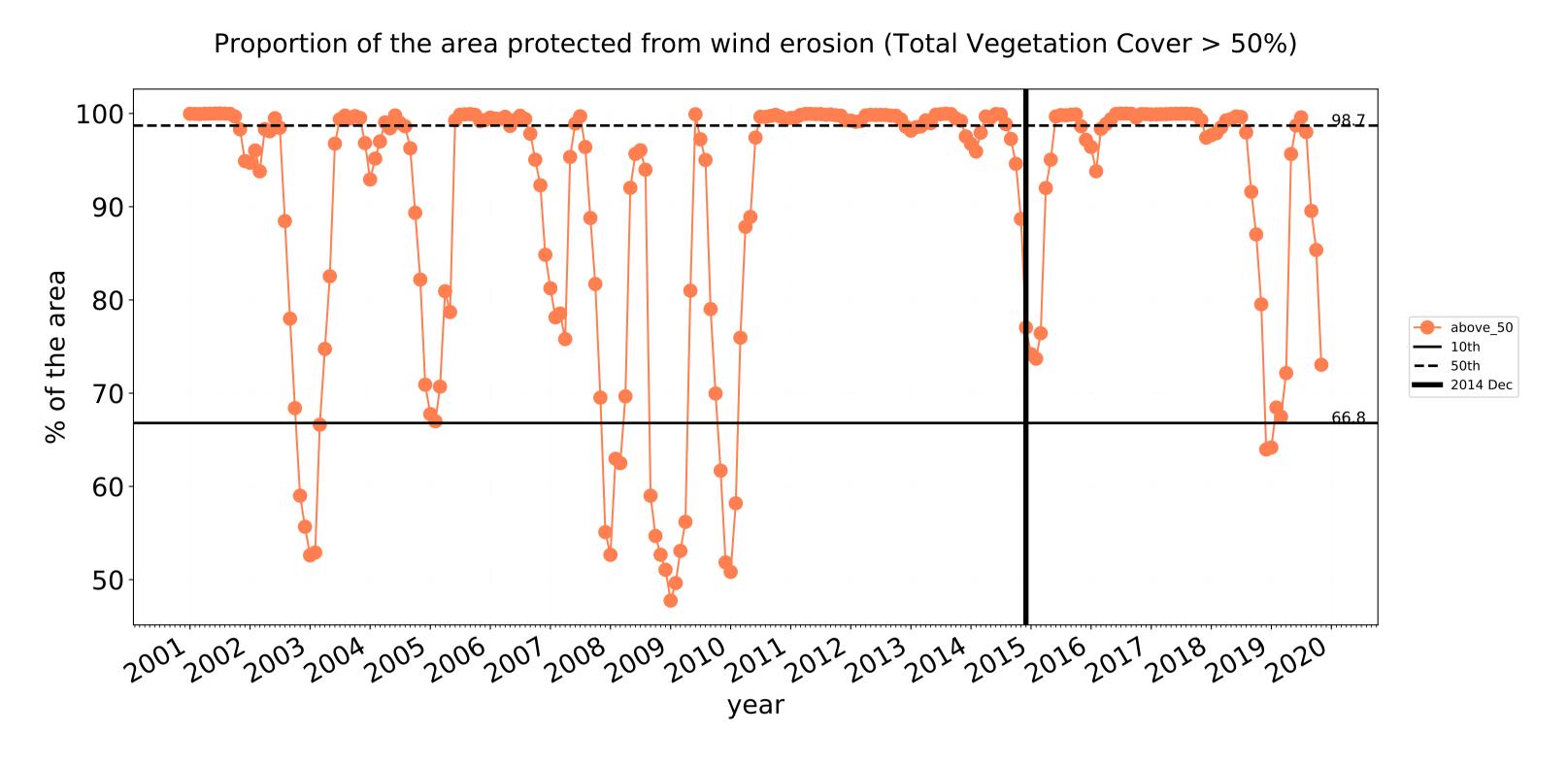


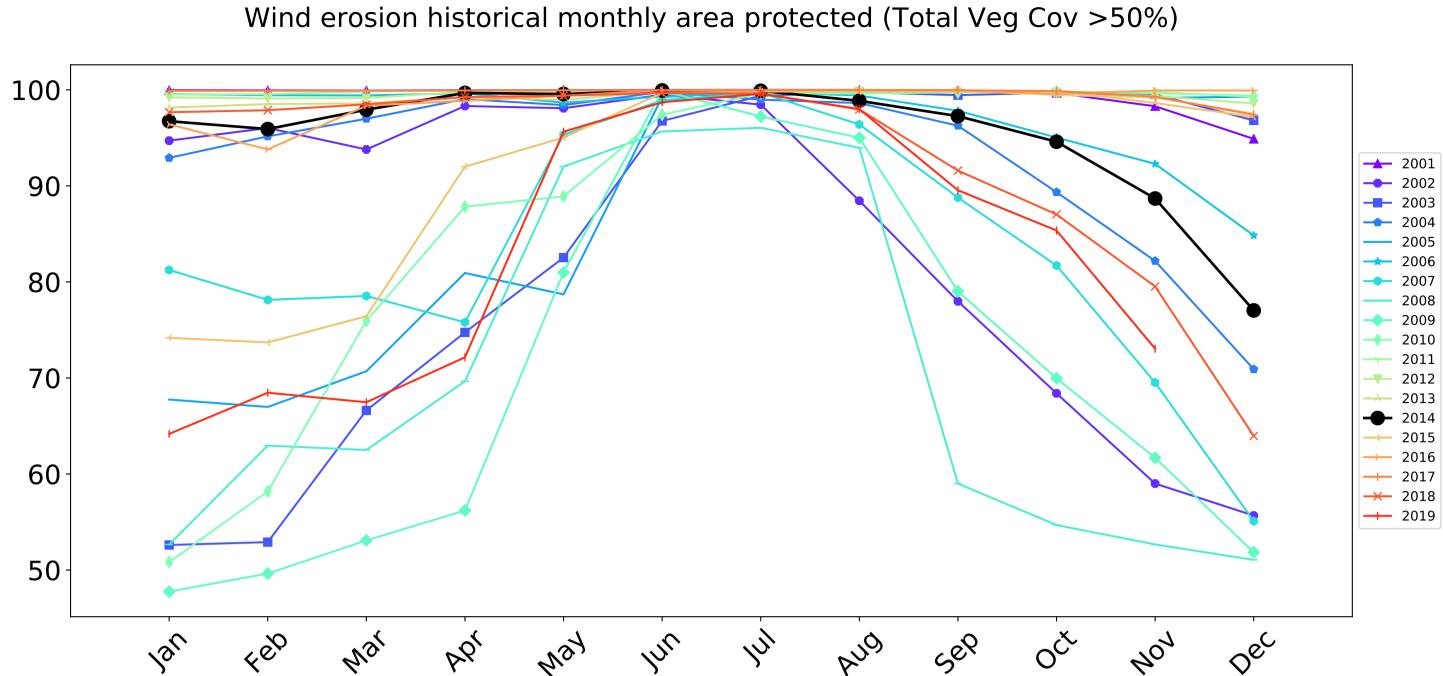




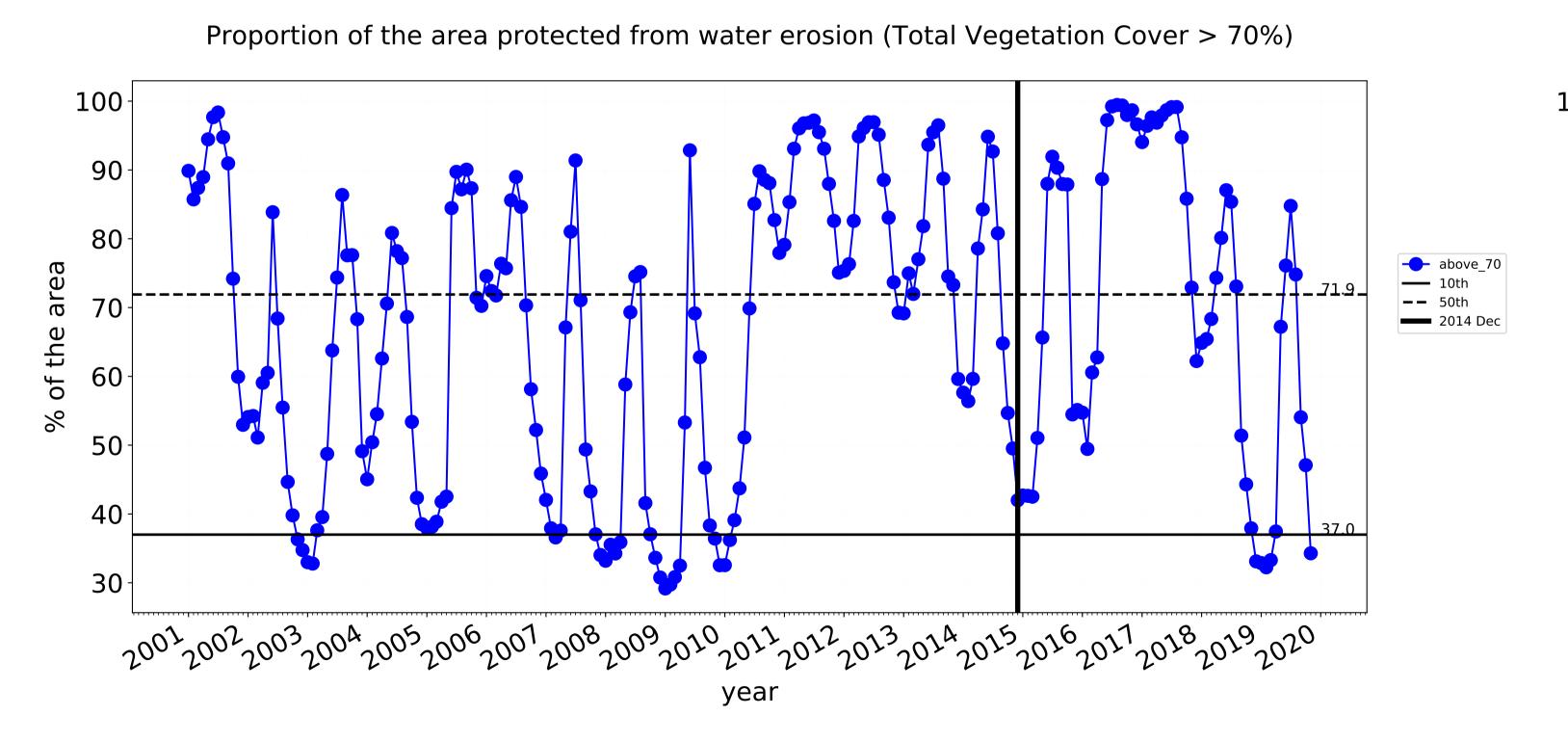


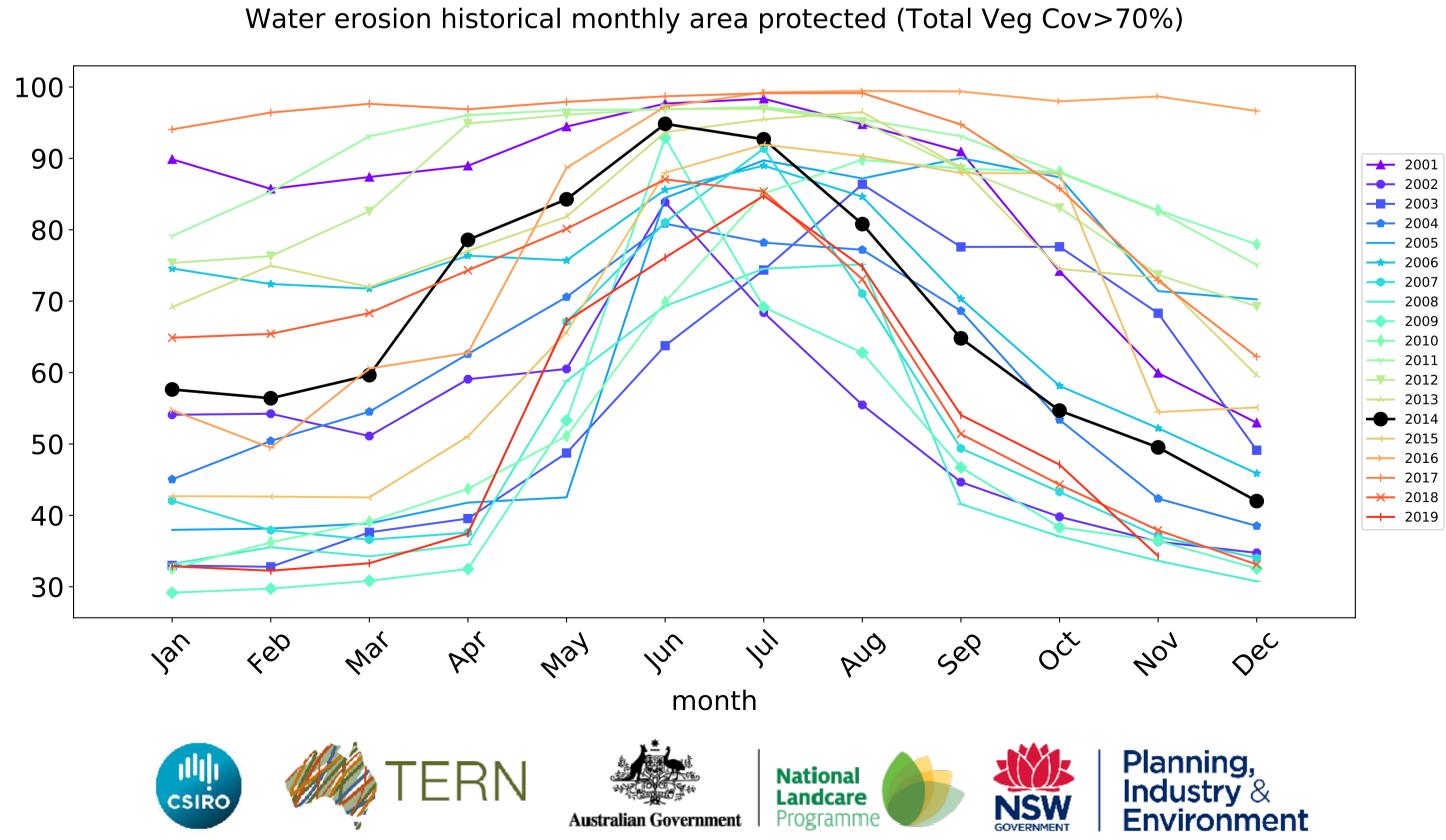
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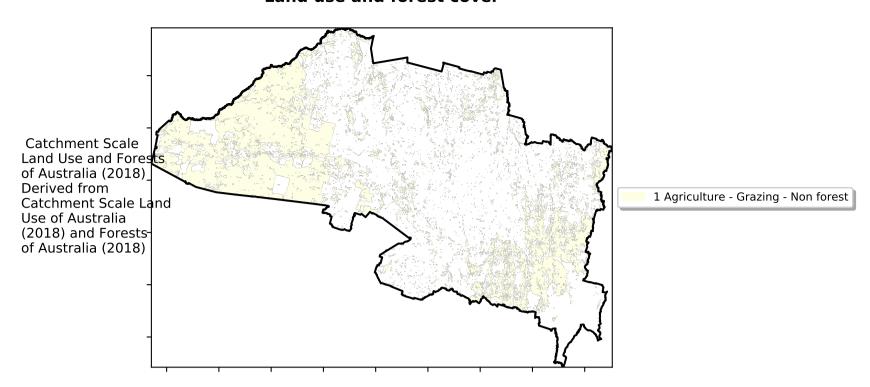
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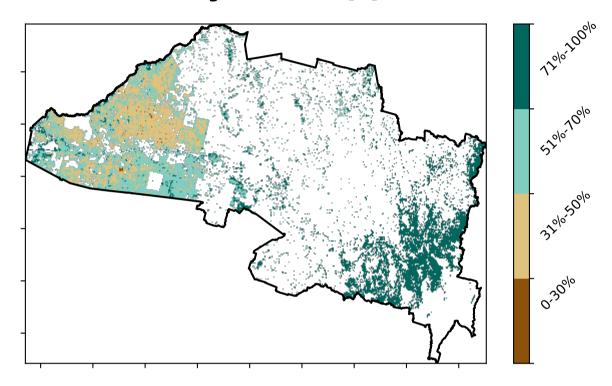


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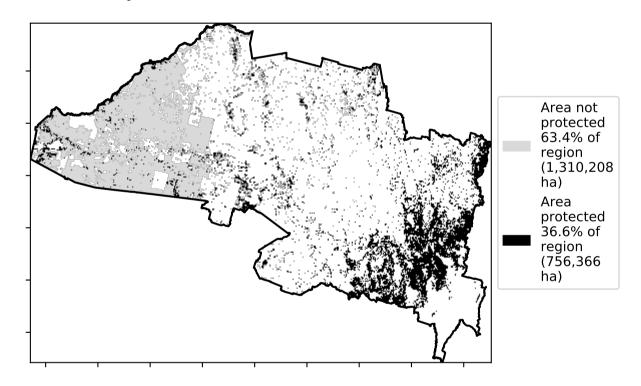
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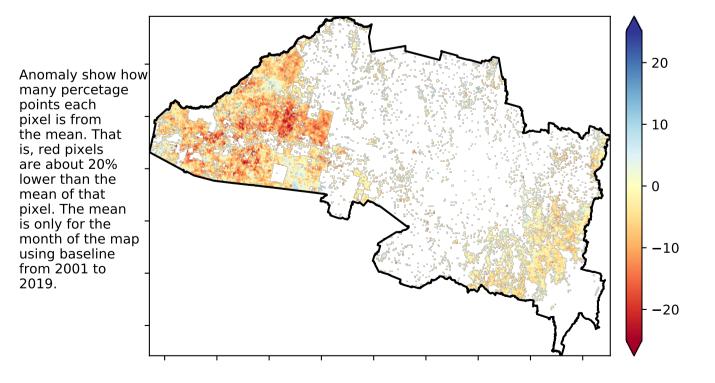
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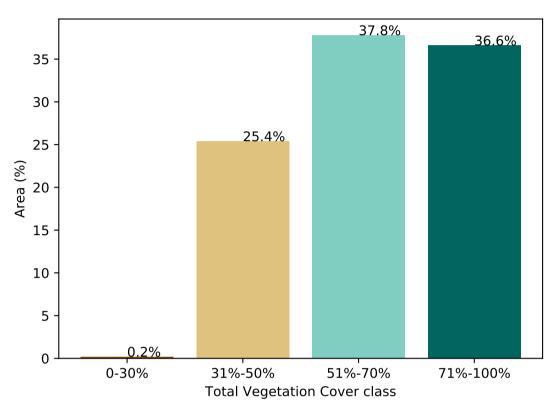


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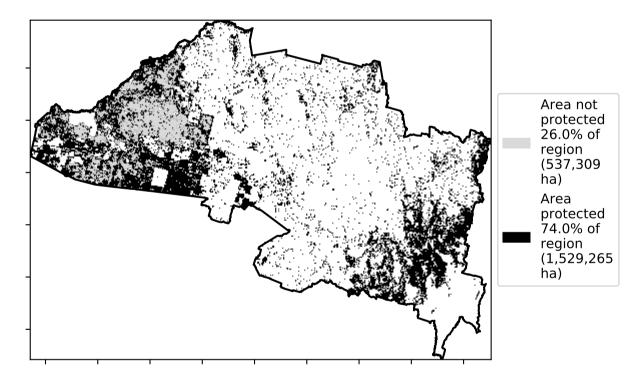


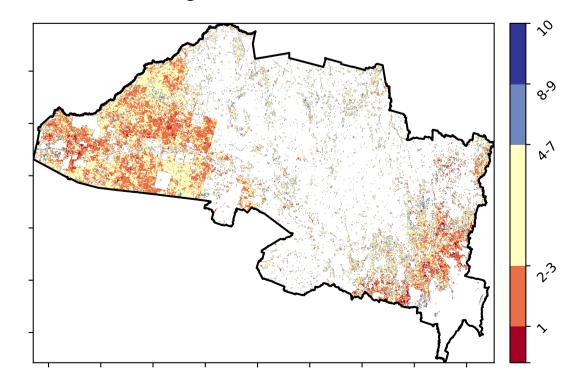
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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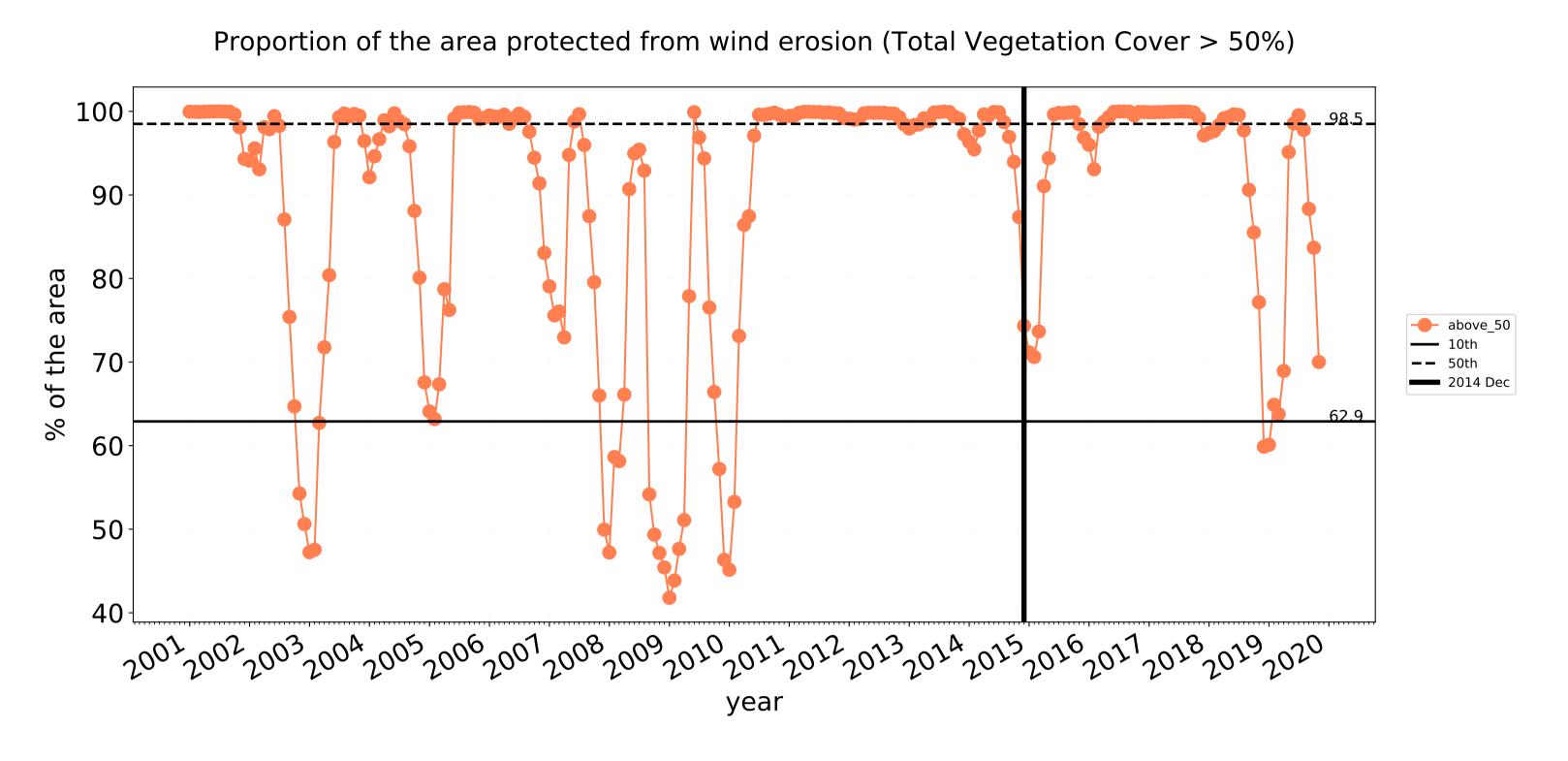


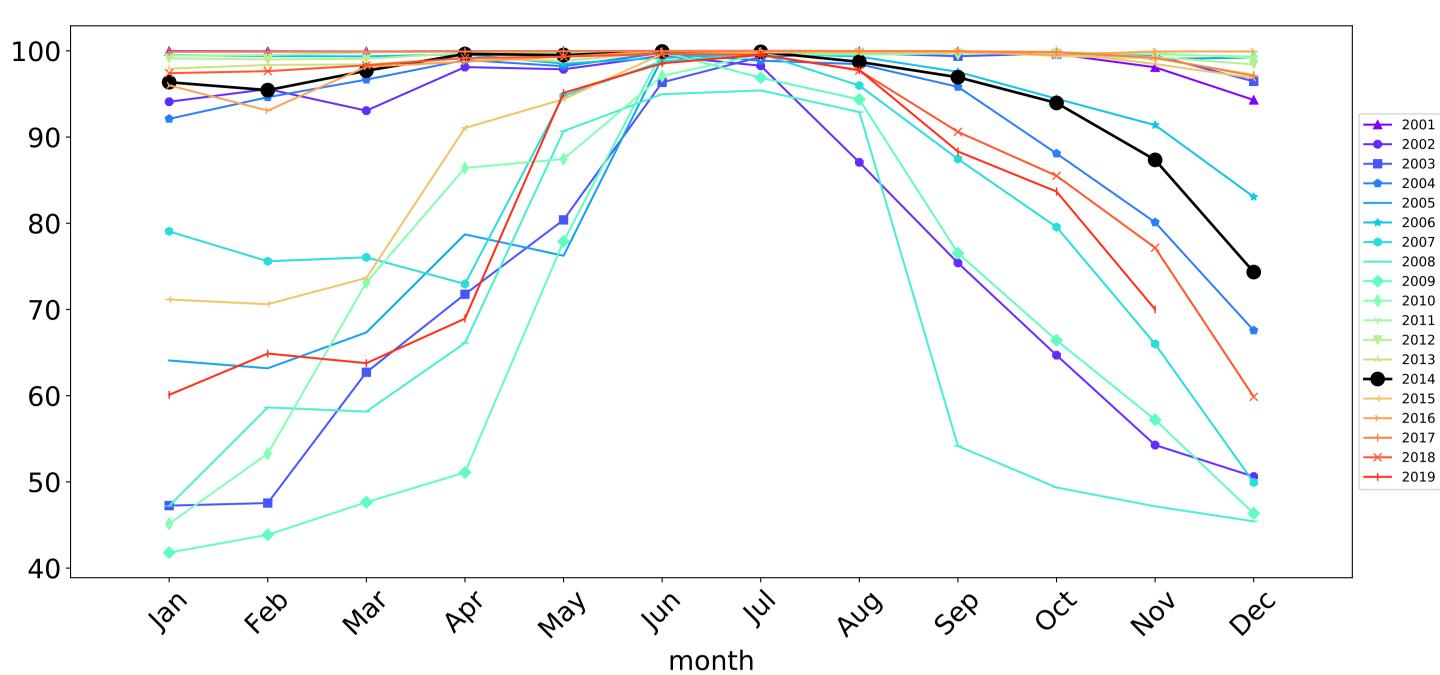




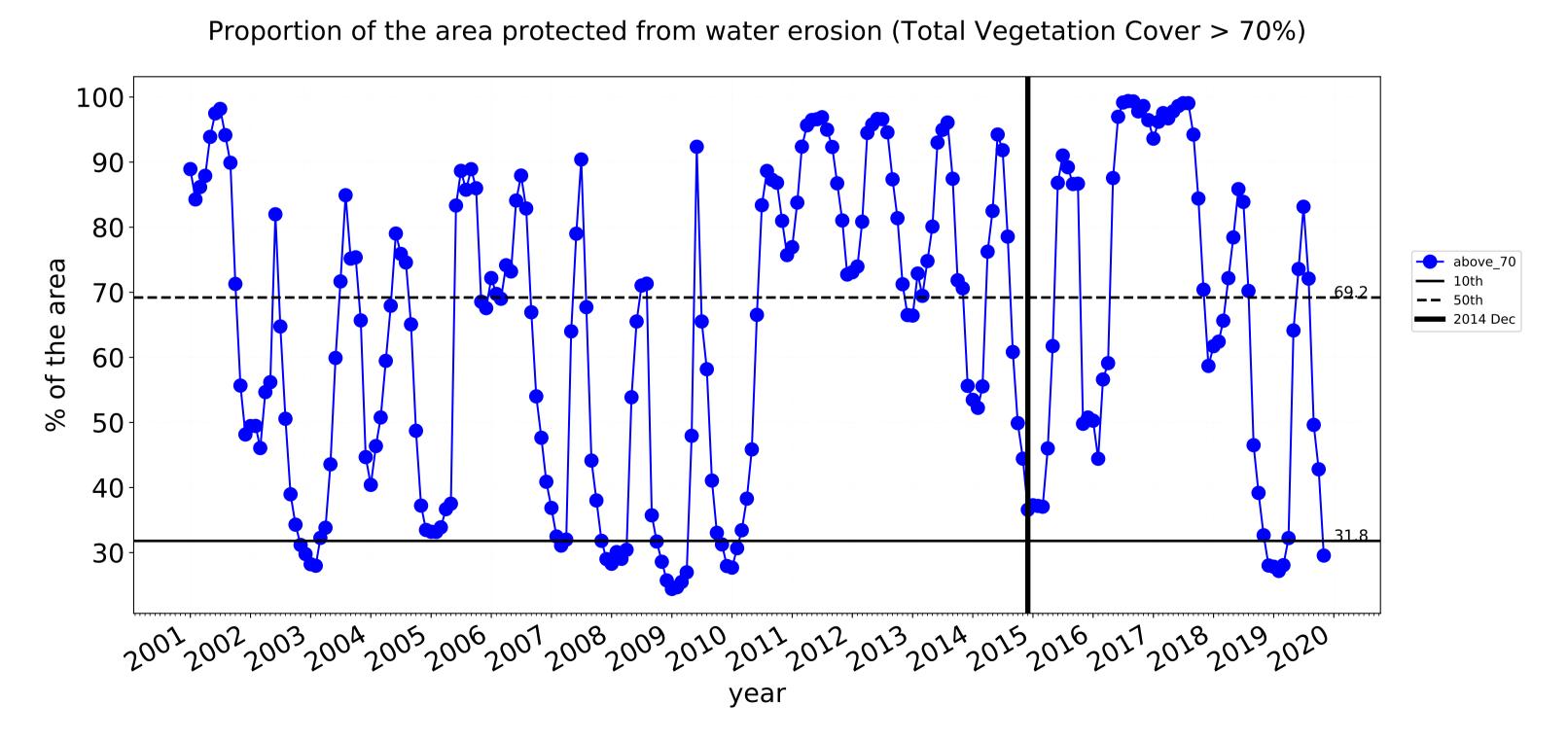


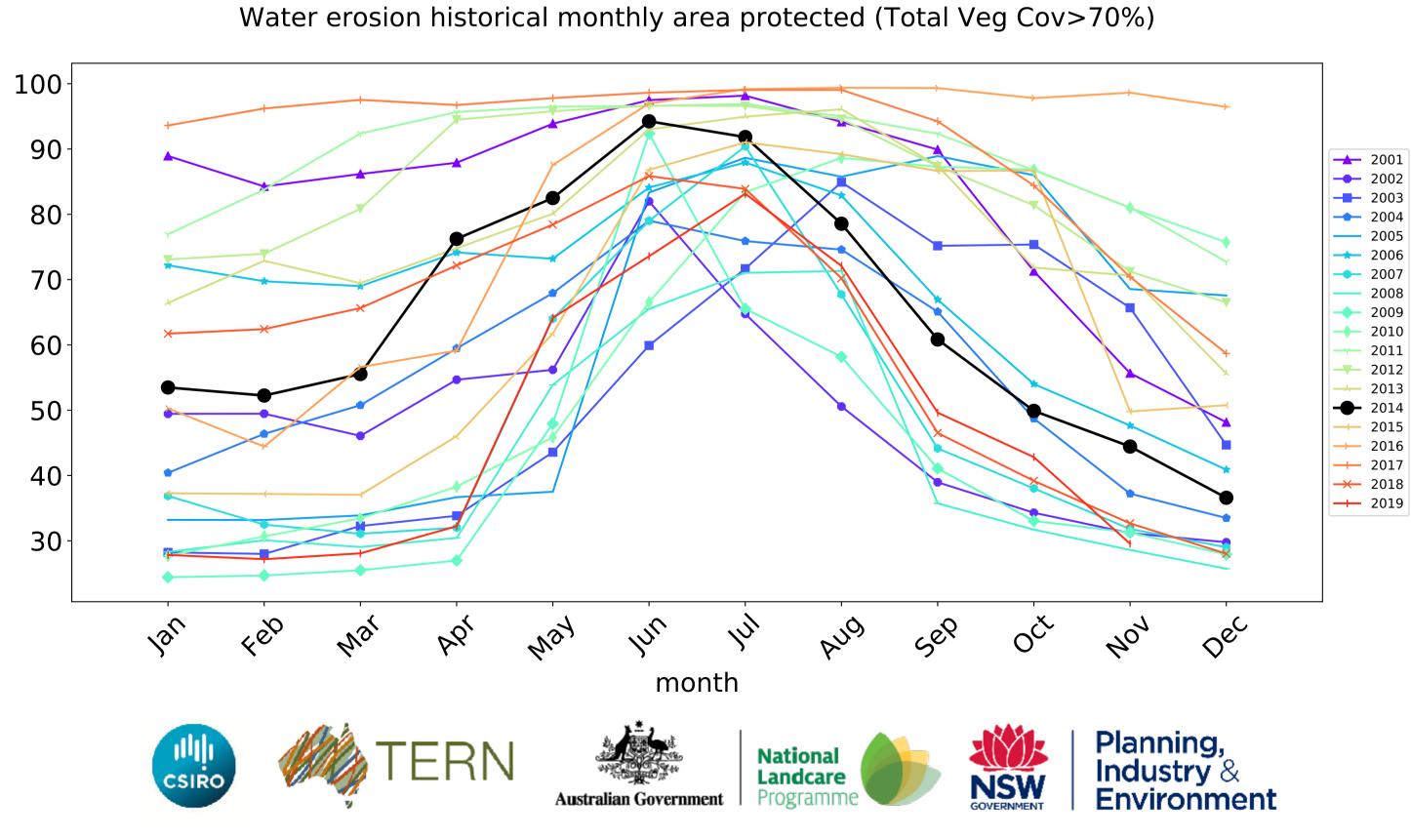
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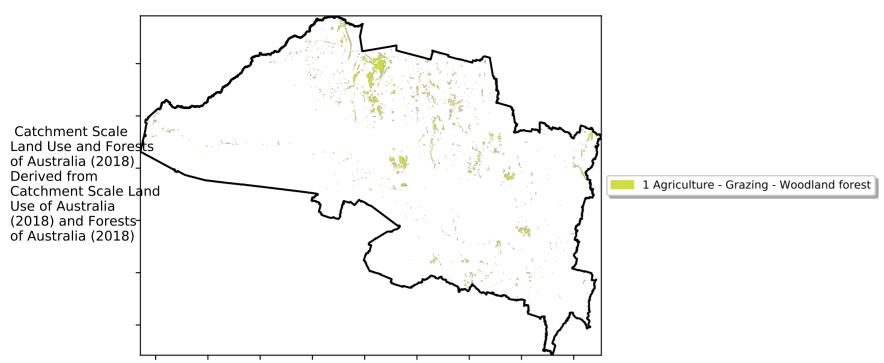
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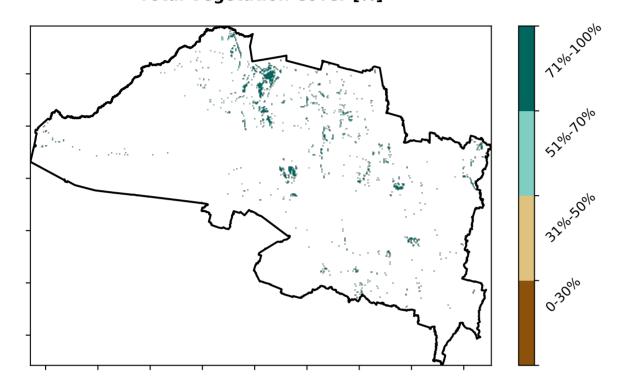


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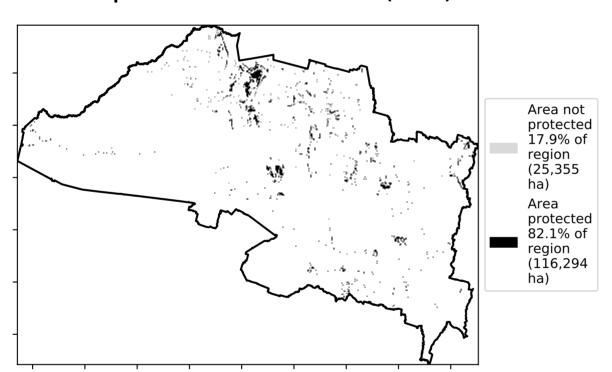
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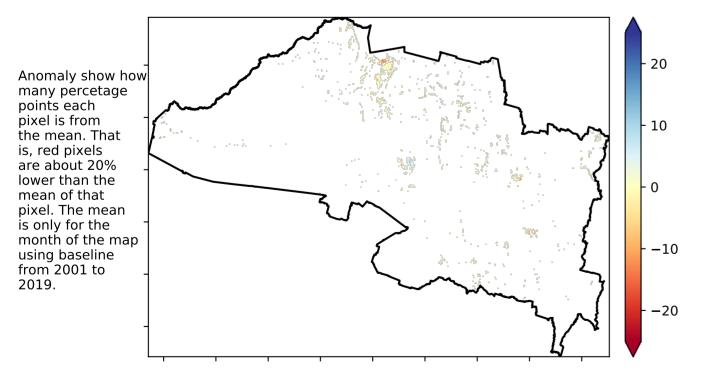
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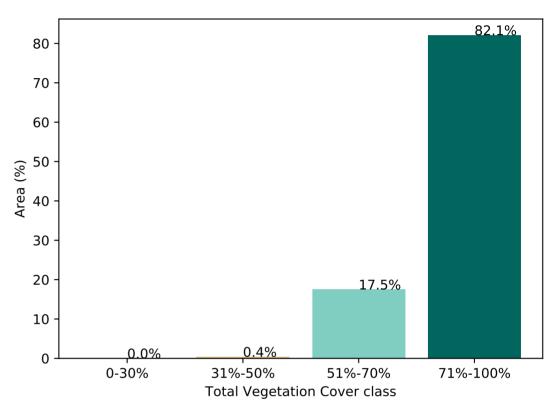


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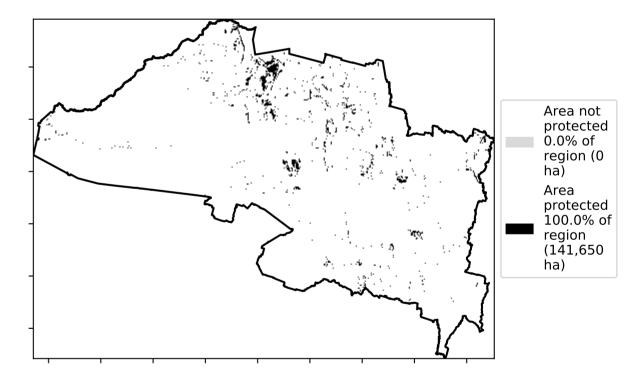


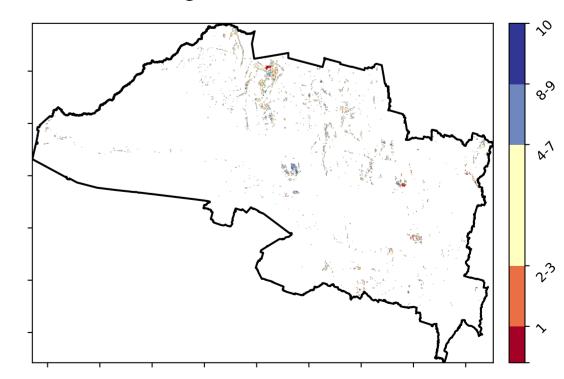
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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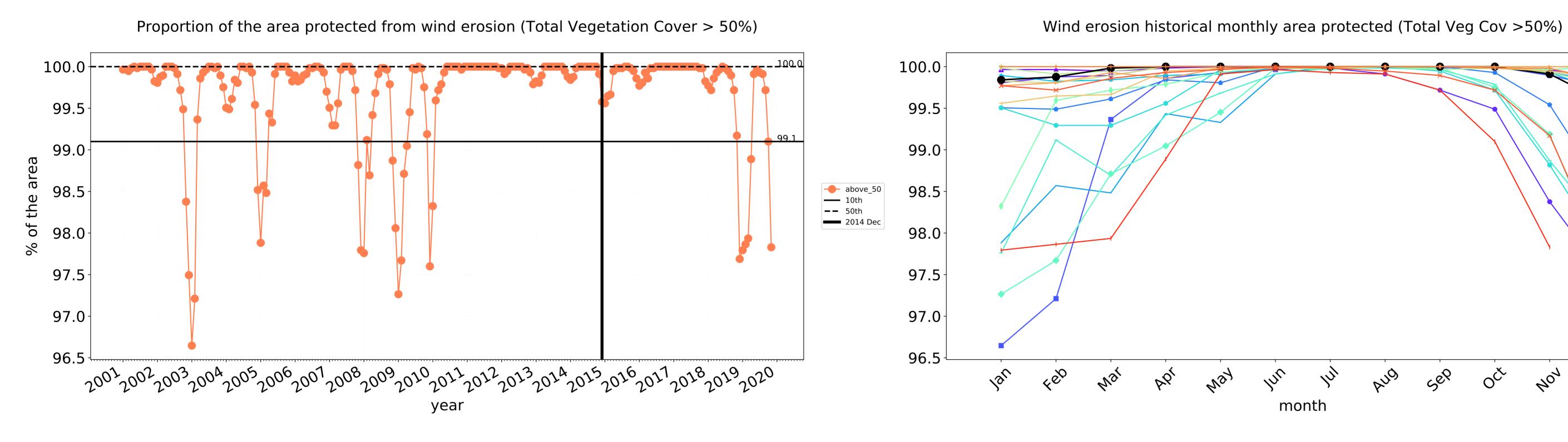


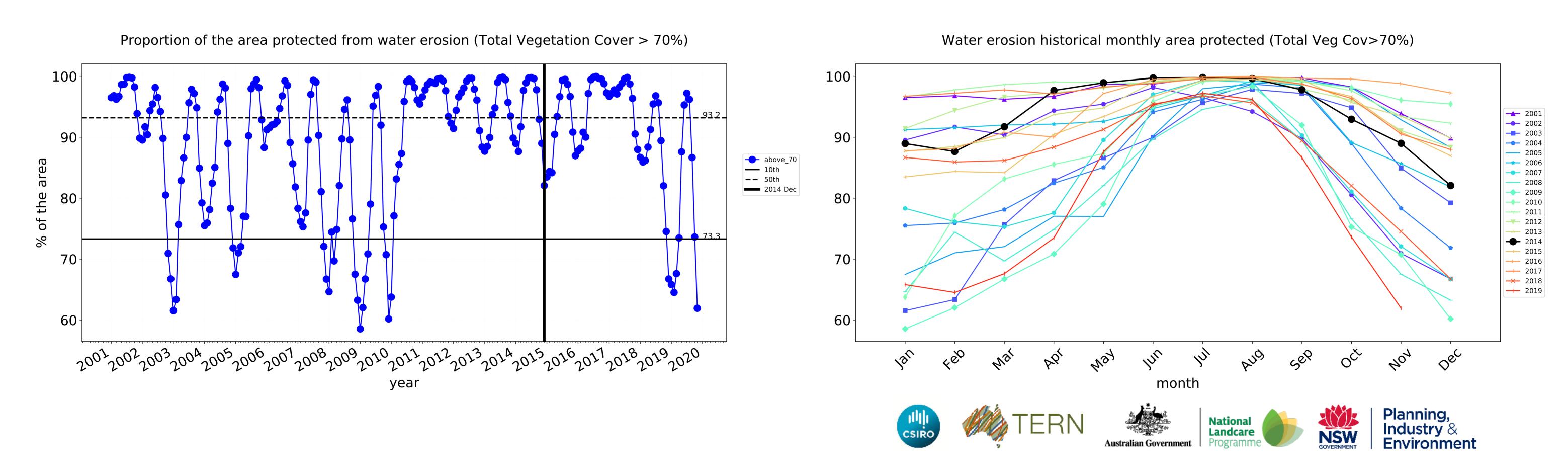






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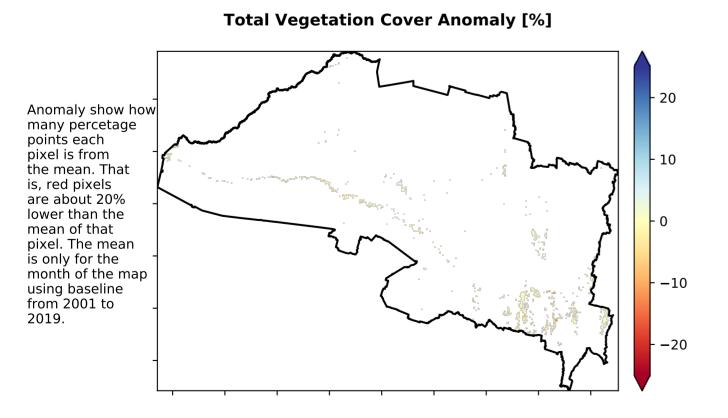
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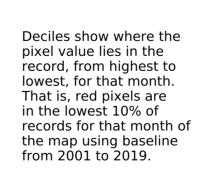
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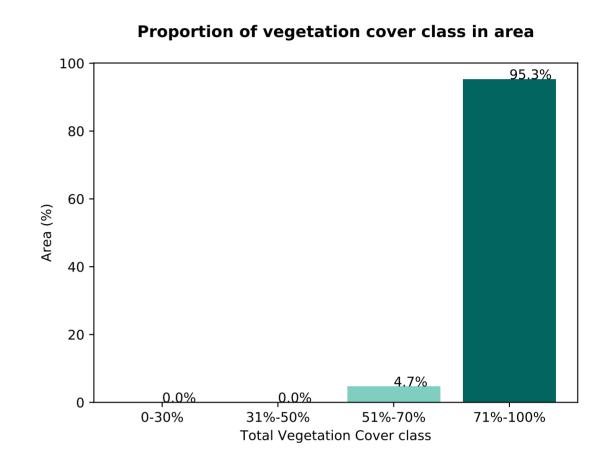
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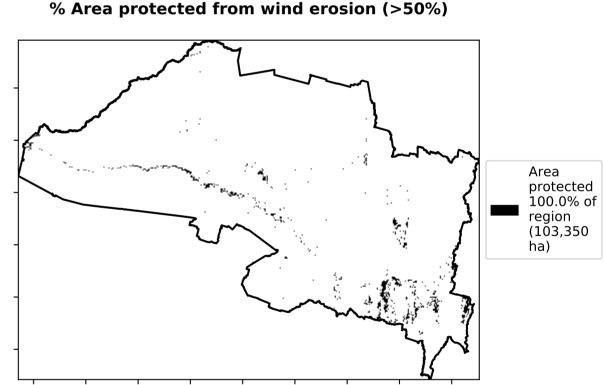
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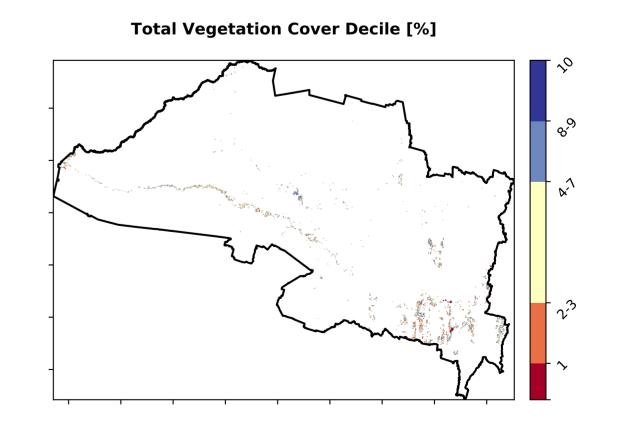
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%) Area not protected 4.7% of region (4,857 ha) Area protected 95.3% of region (98,492 ha)













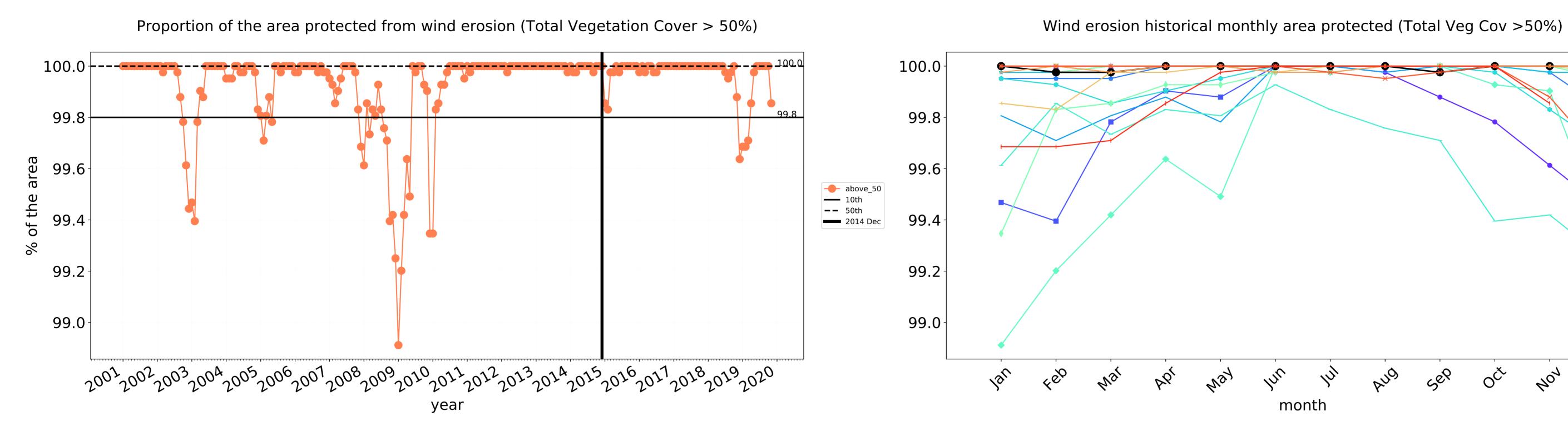


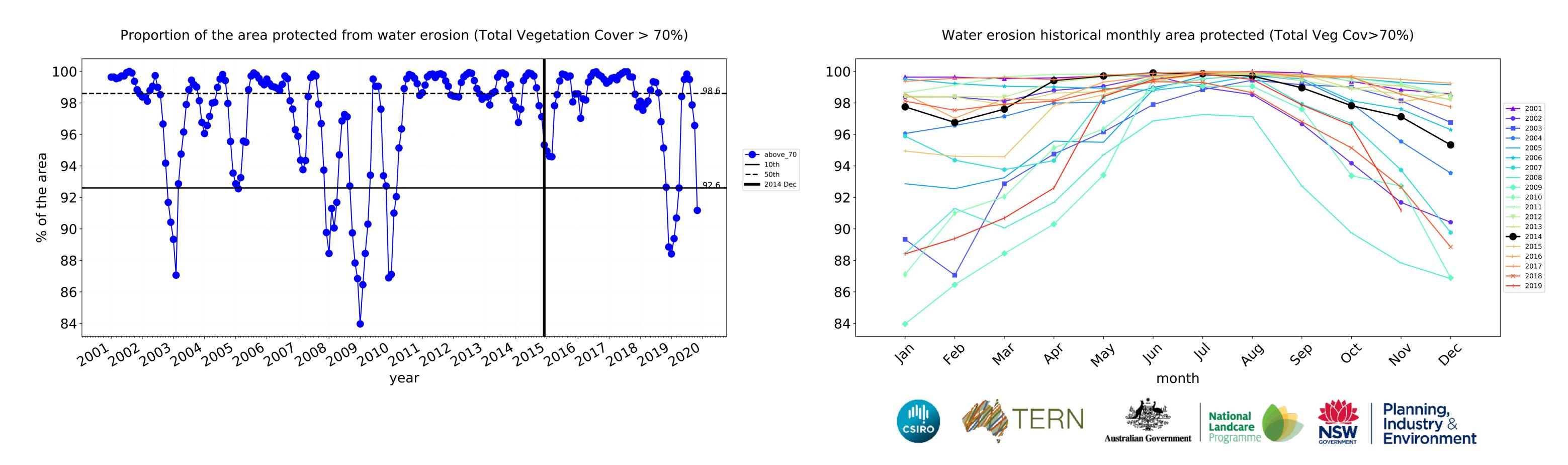










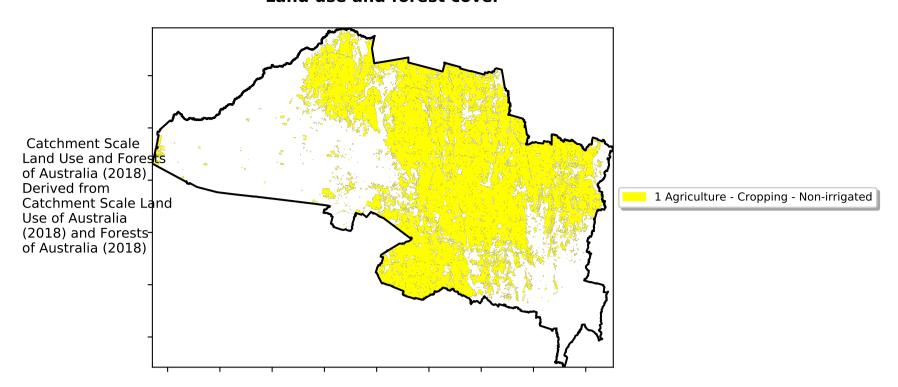


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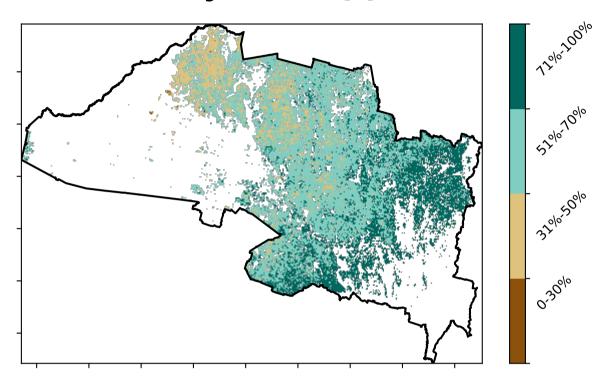
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Cropping

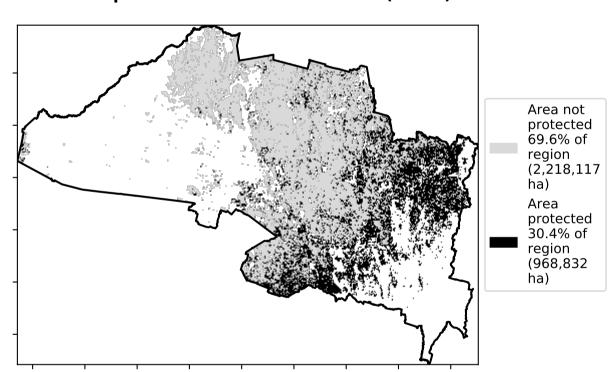
Land use and forest cover



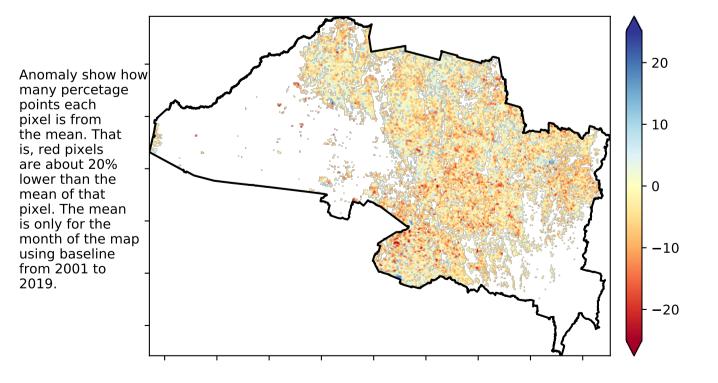
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

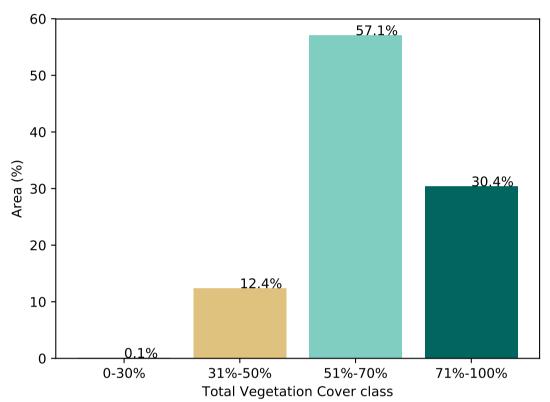


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

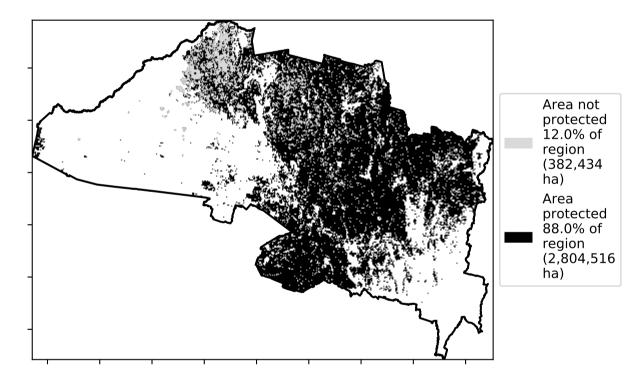


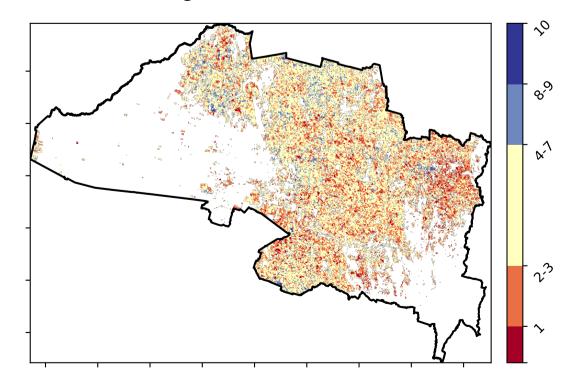
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









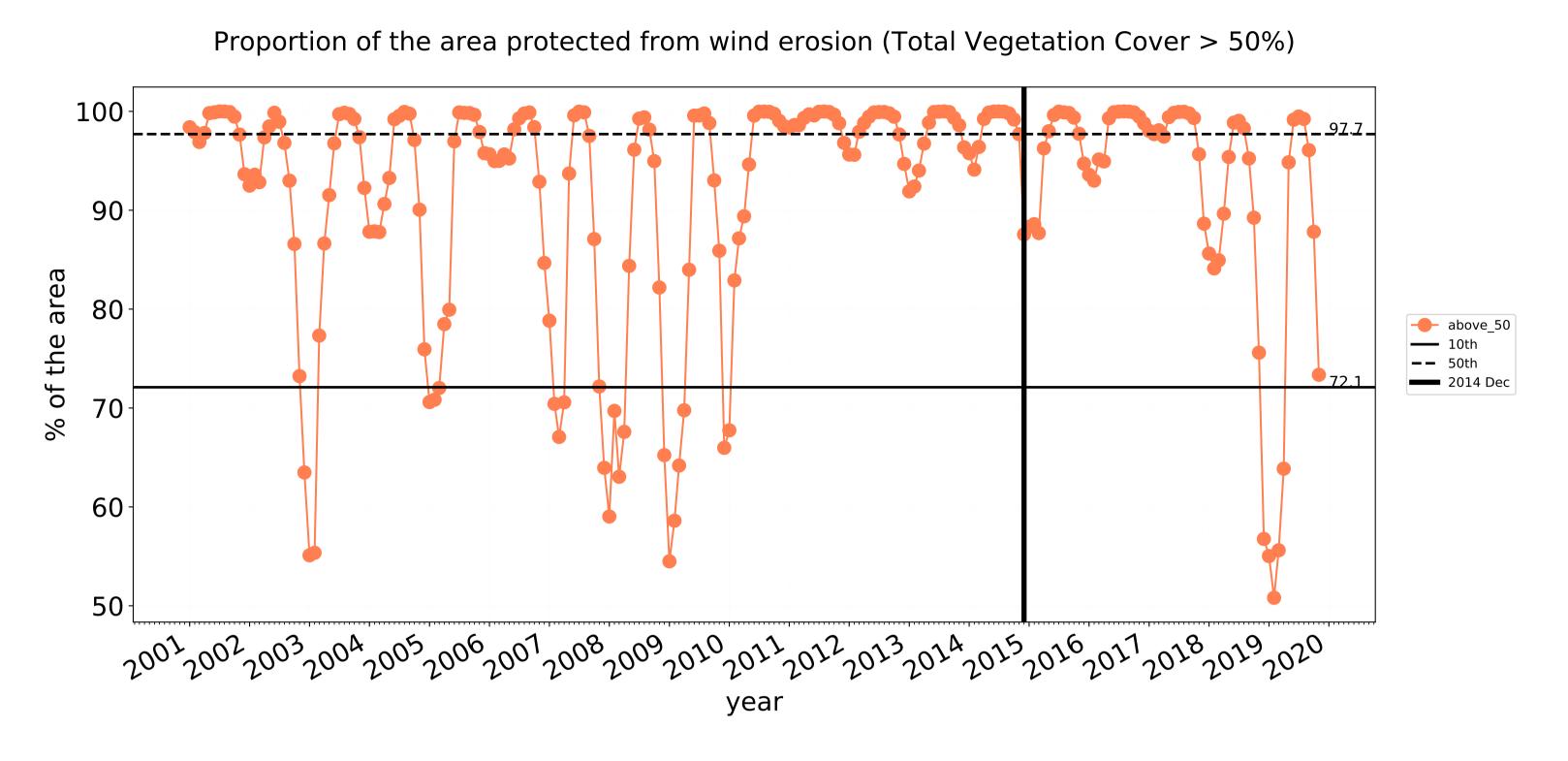


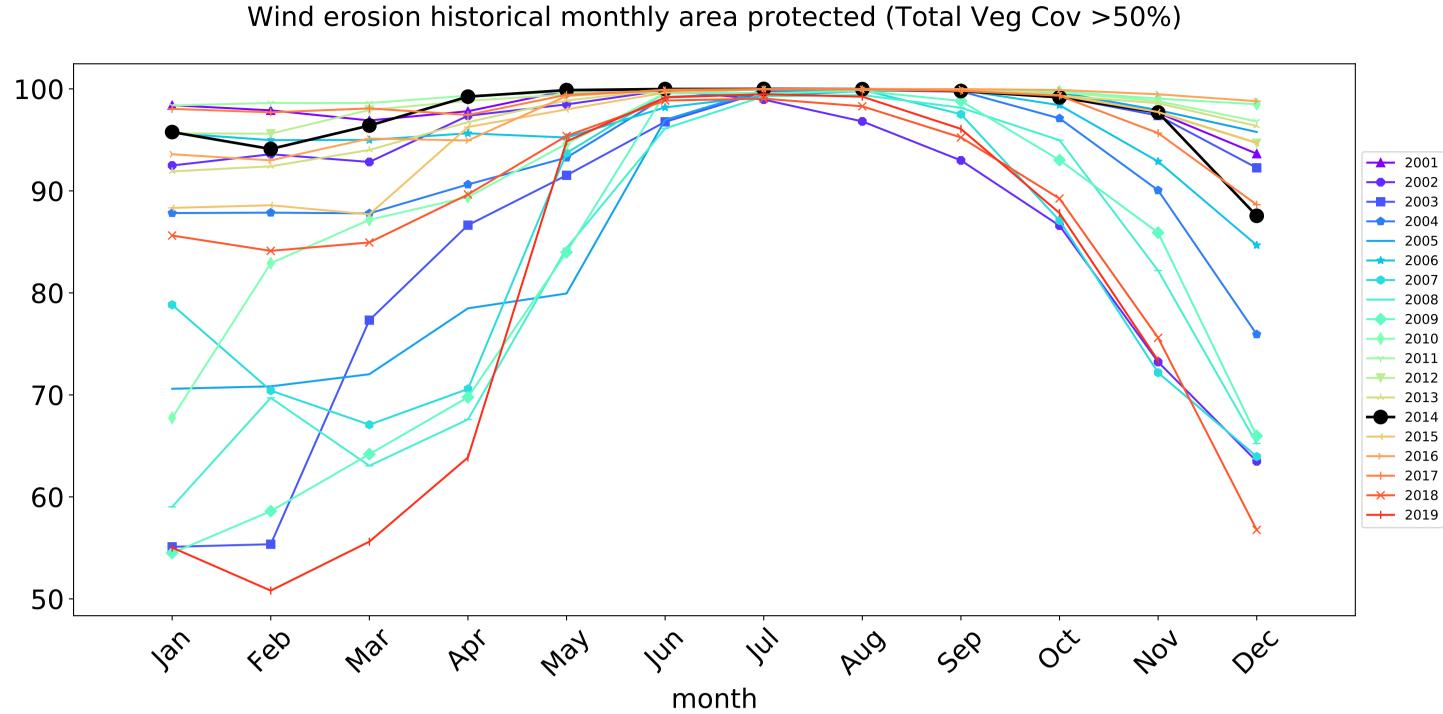


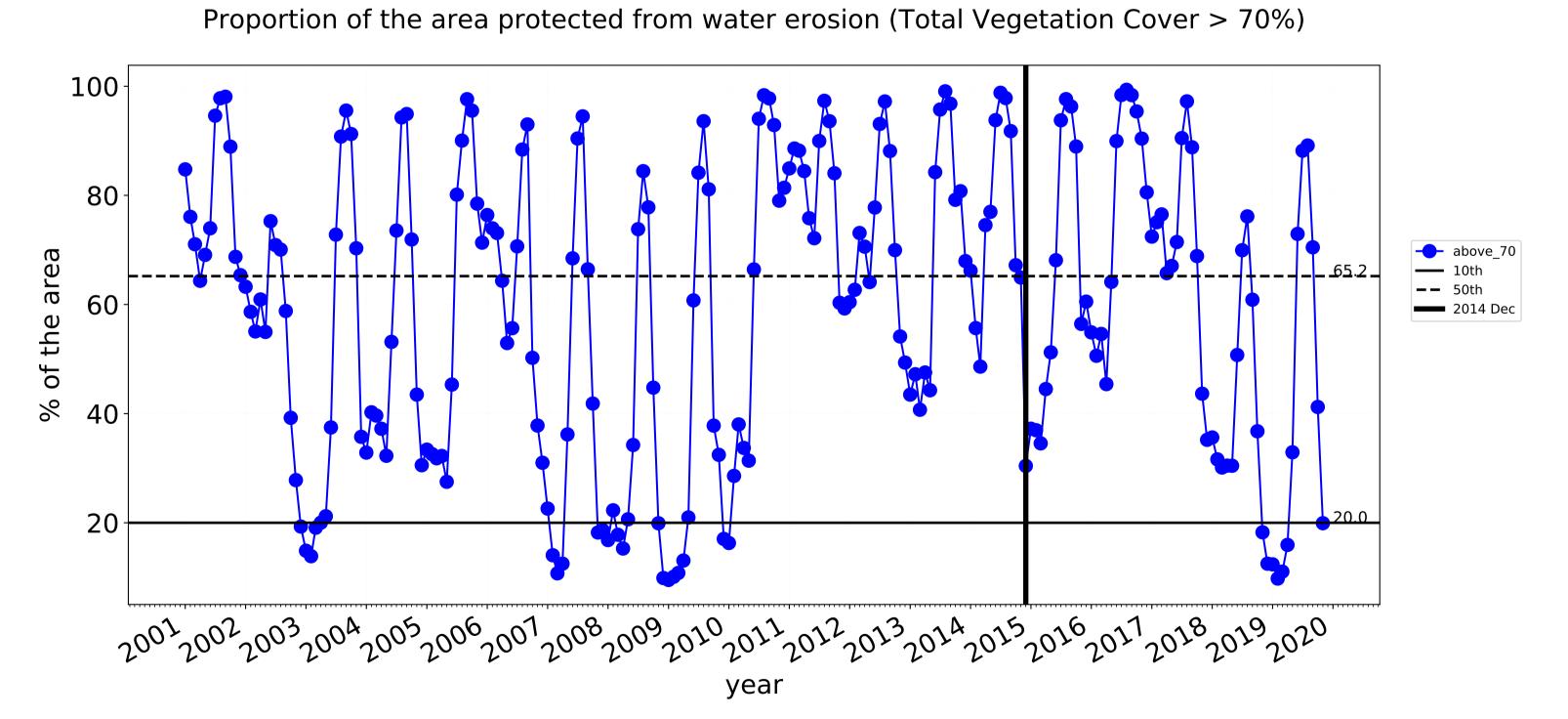


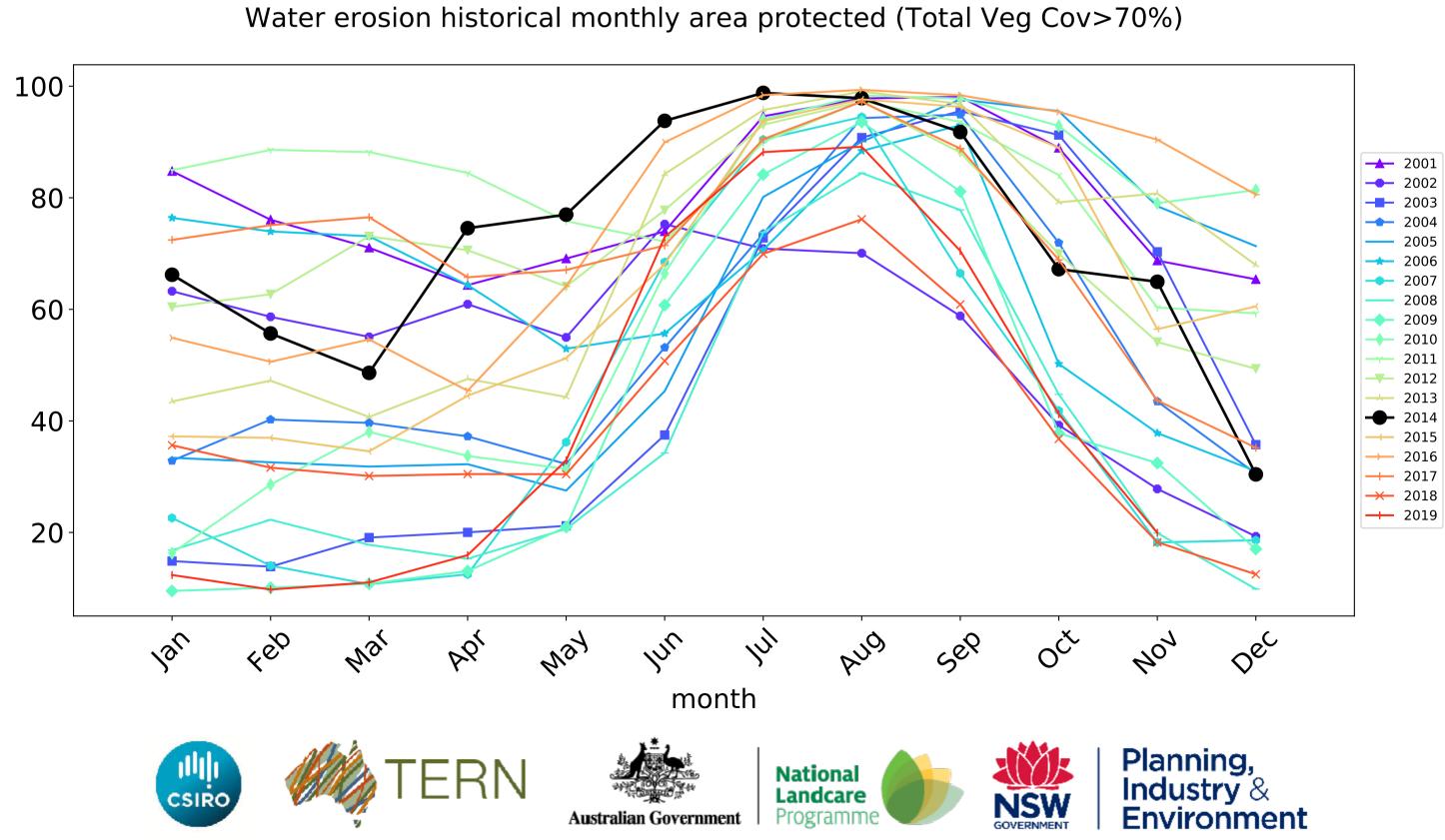


Cropping timeseries







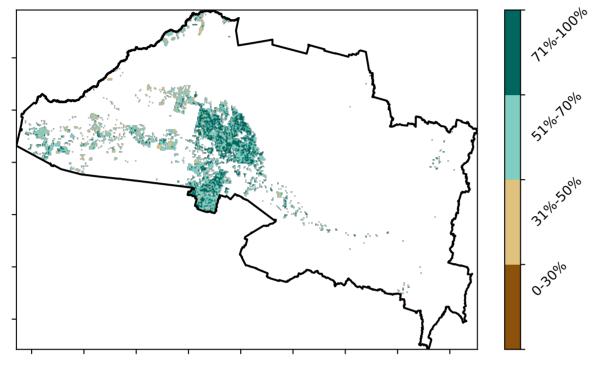


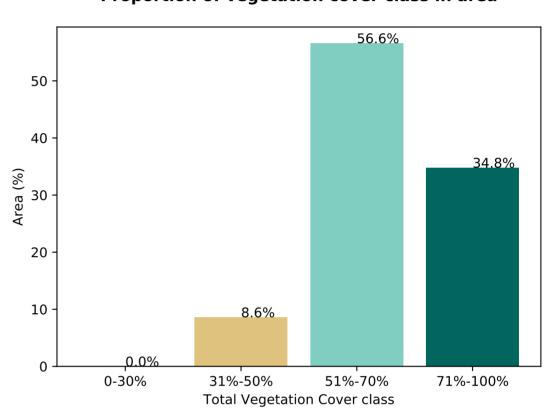
Irrigation

Land use and forest cover Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018) 1 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 2 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated 3 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated

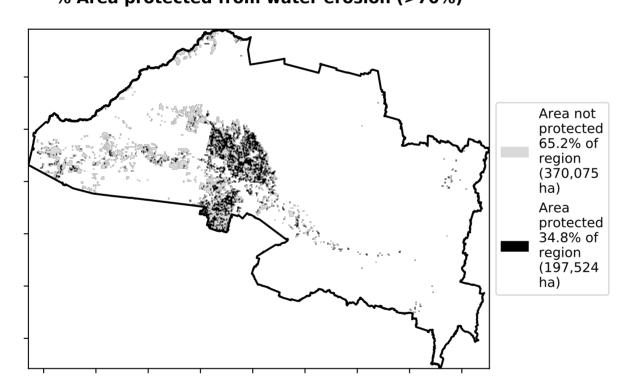
Proportion of each land class in area 83.9% 80 70 60 Area (%) 30 20 9.7% 10 6.4% 2 3 Land use class



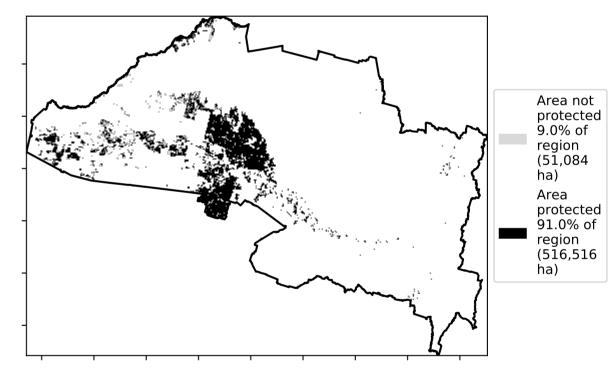




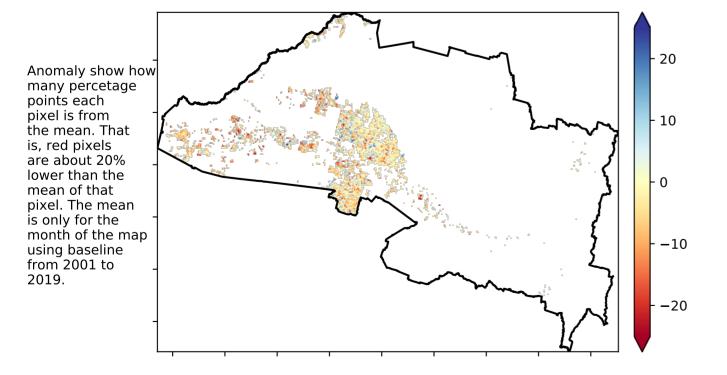
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



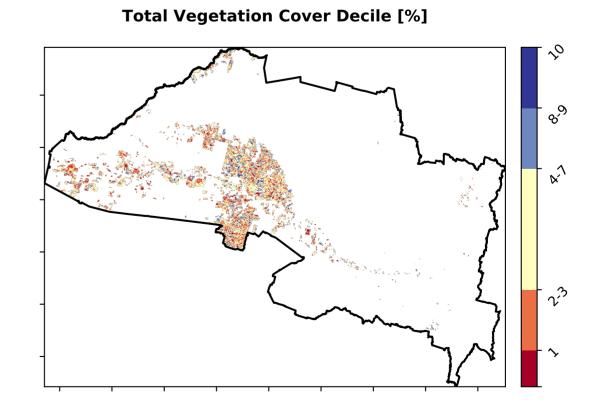
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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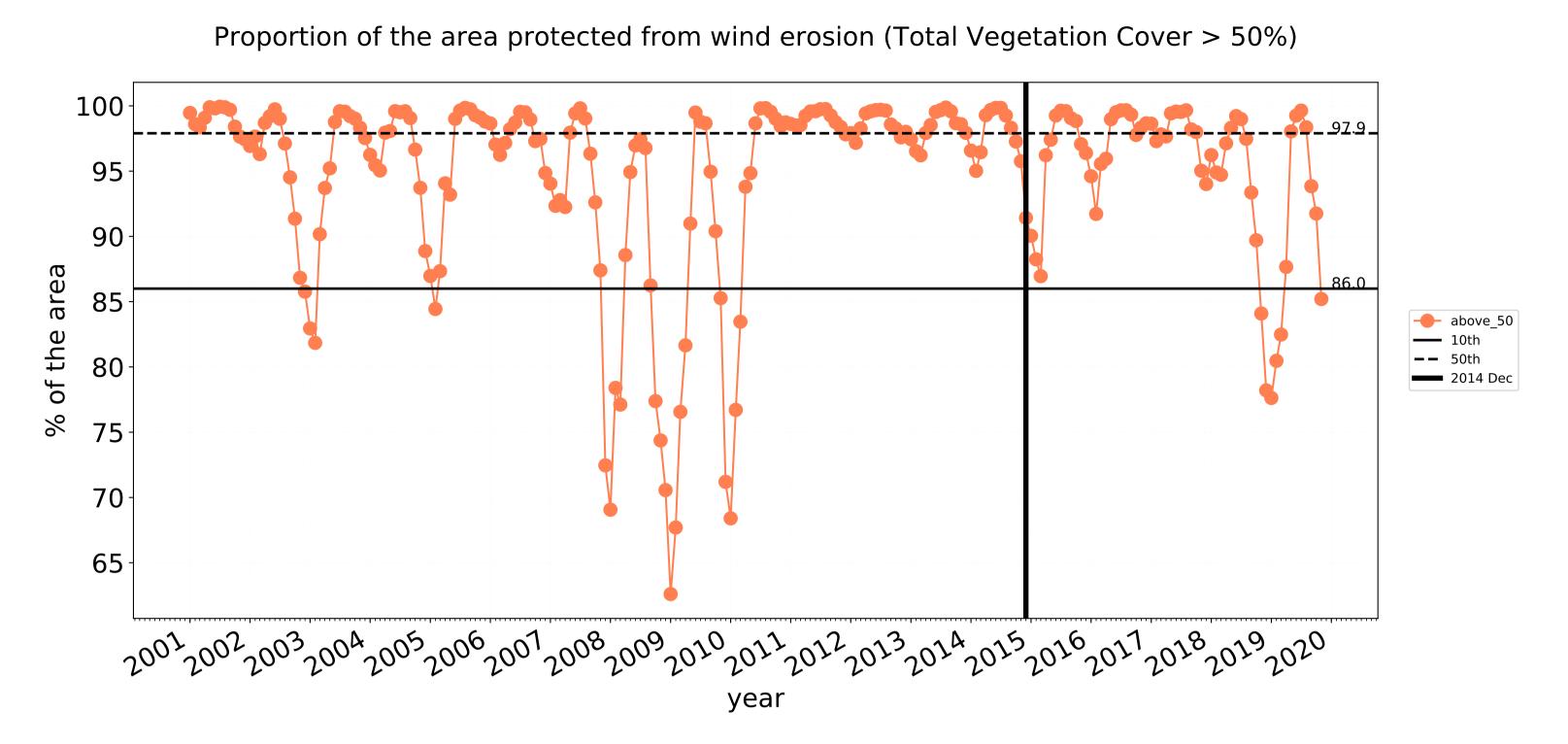


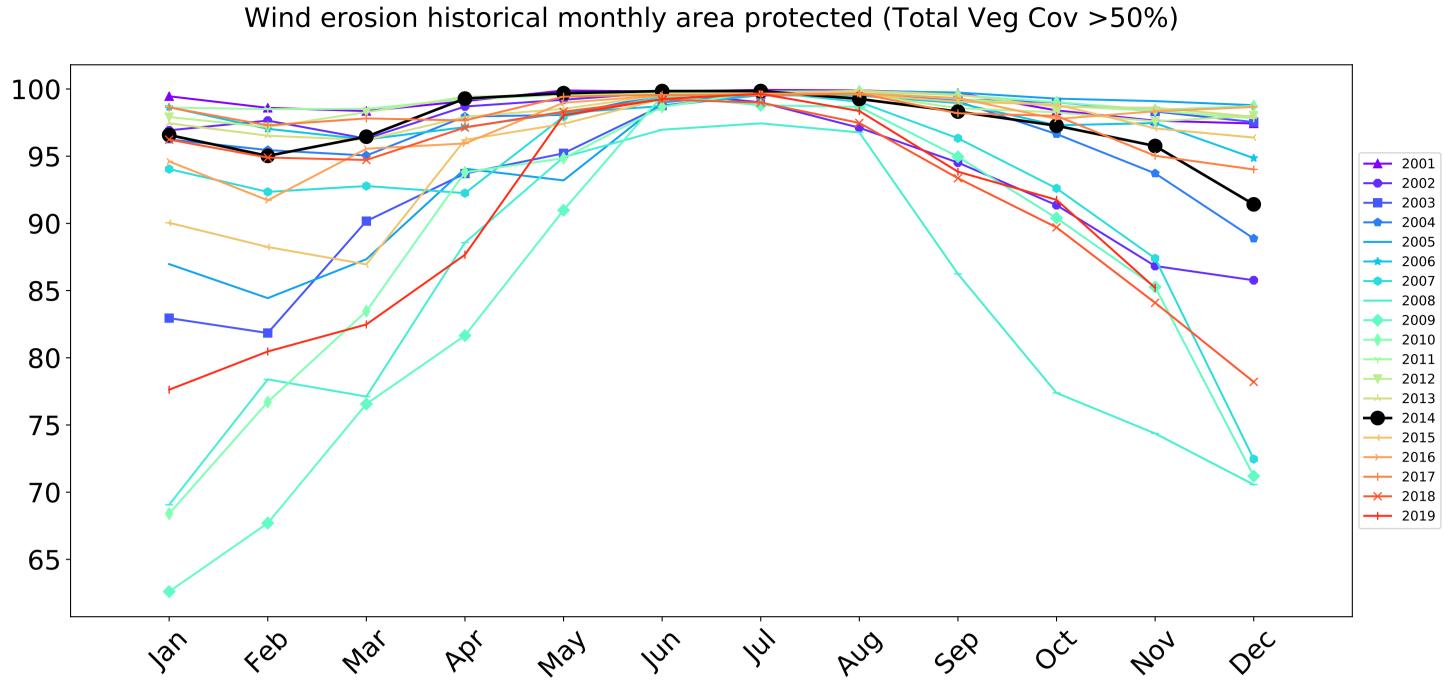




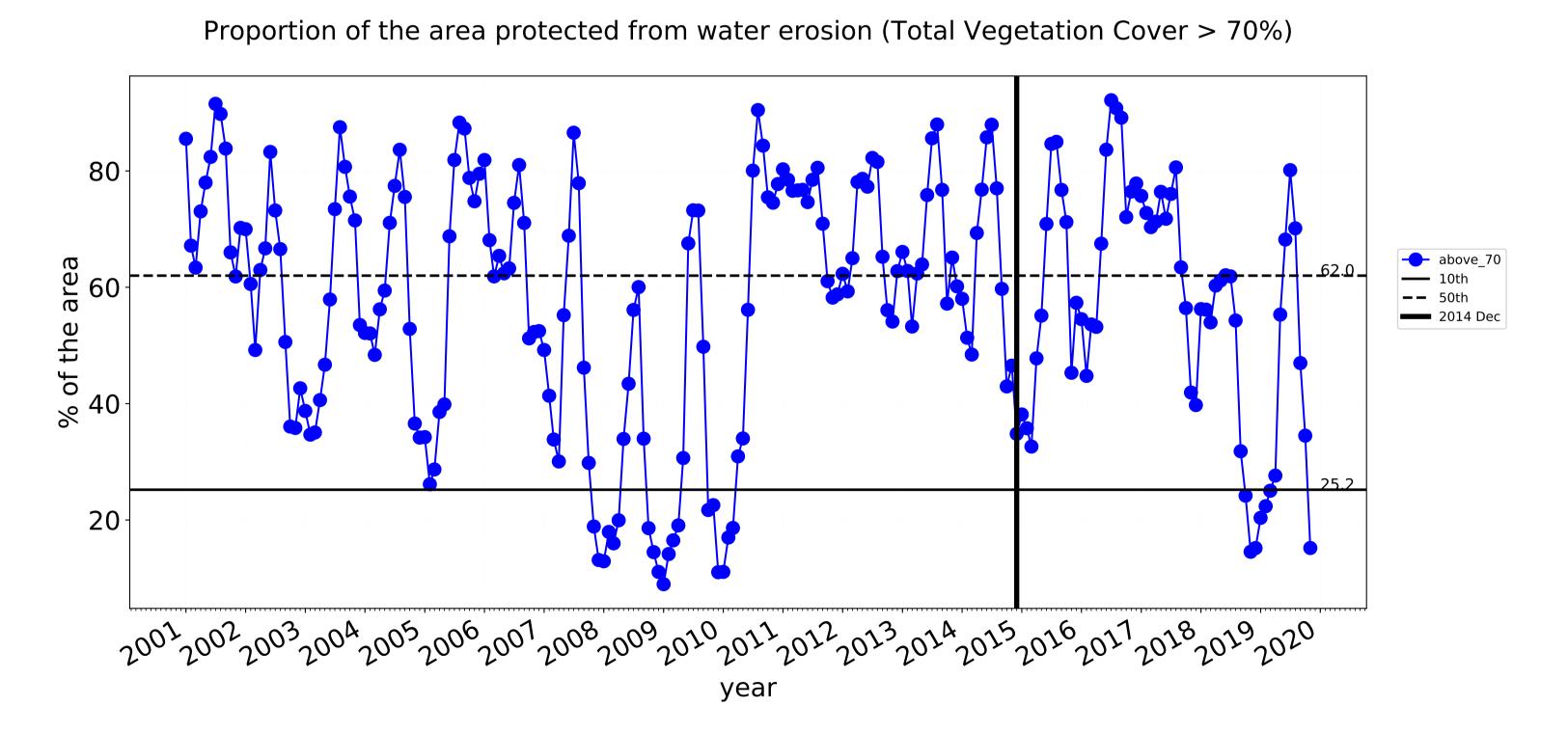


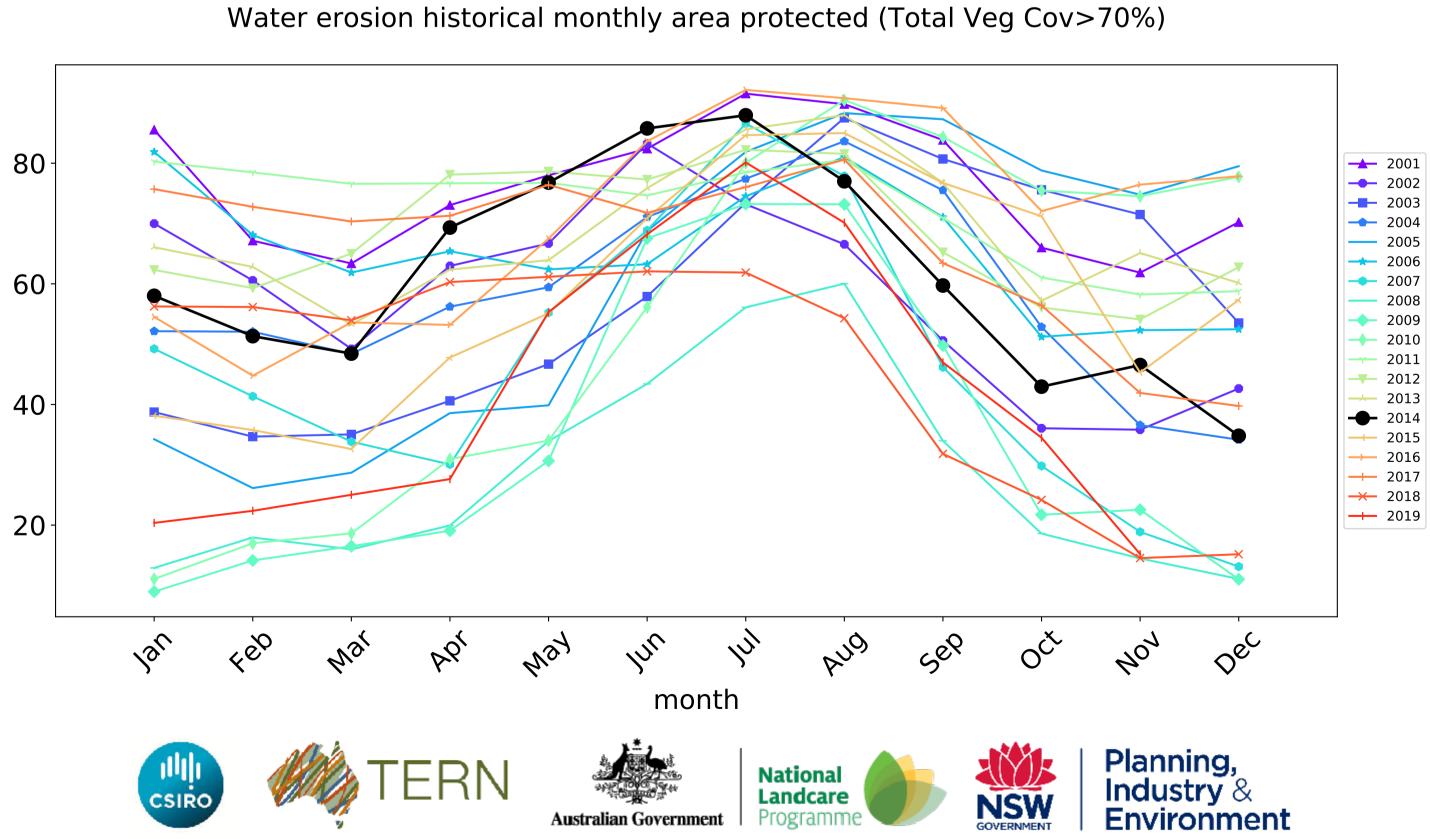






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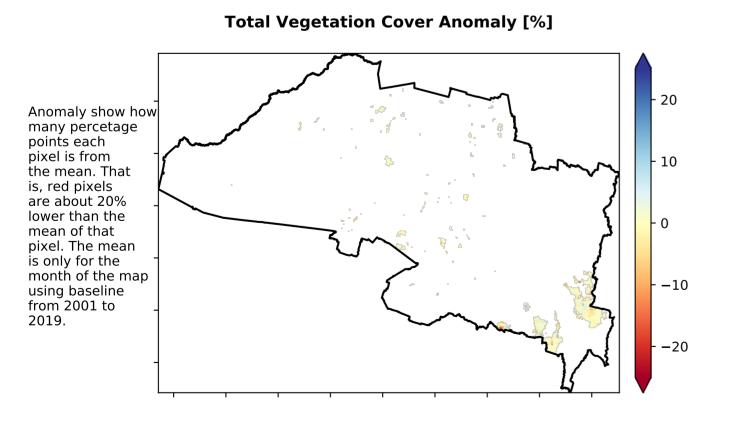


Production native forests and plantation forests

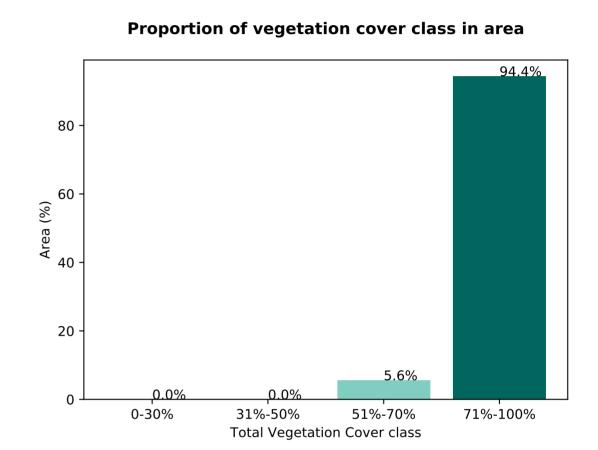
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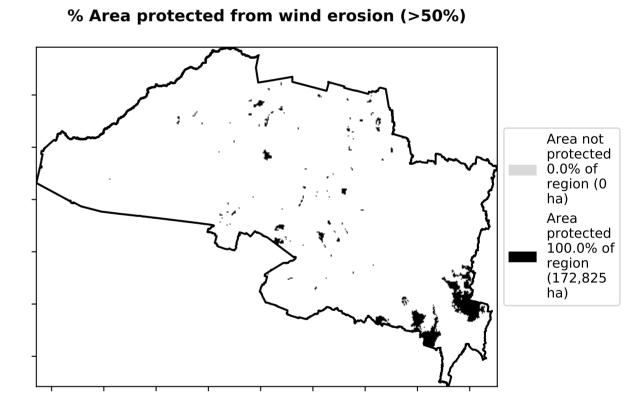
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

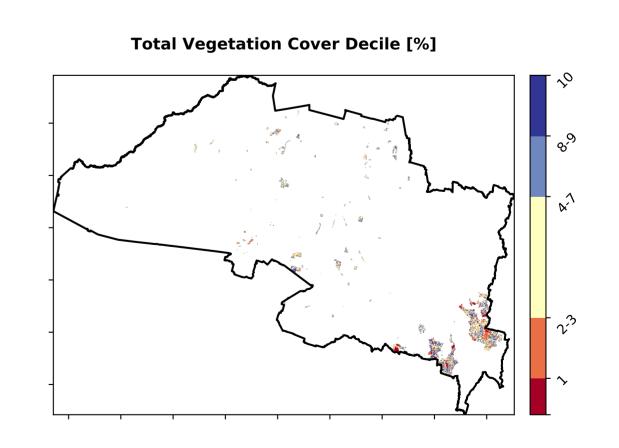
Area not protected 5.6% of region (9,678 ha) Area protected 5.6% of region (9,678 ha) Area protected 94.4% of region (163,146 ha)



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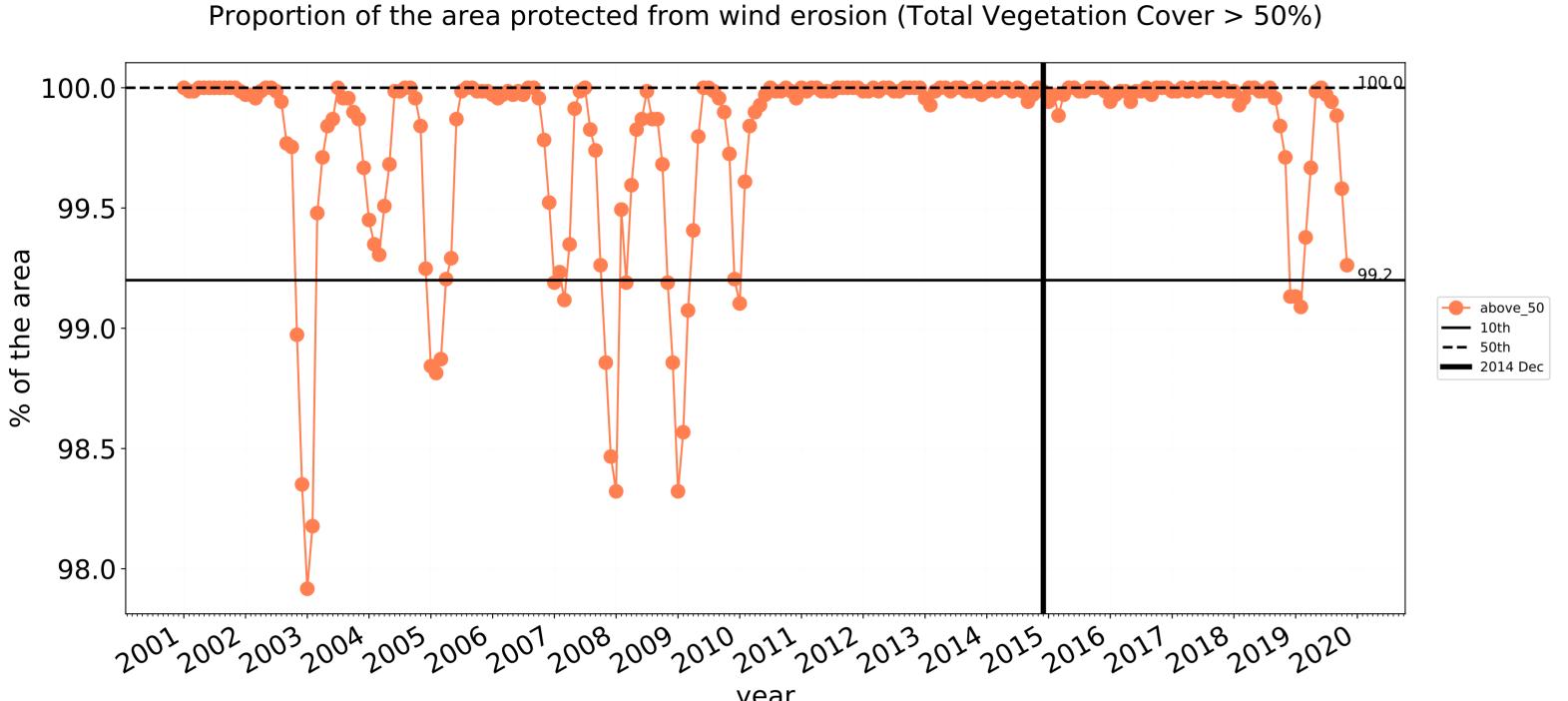


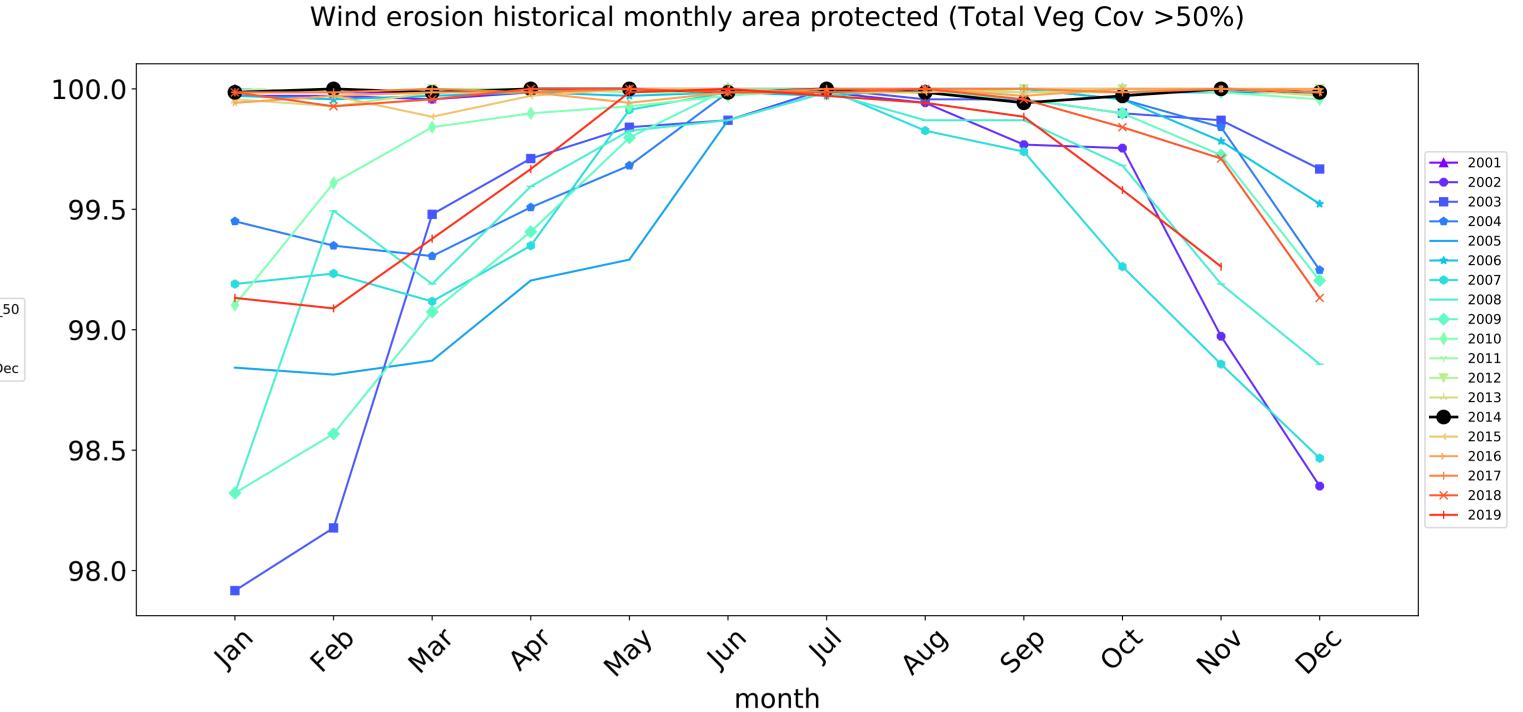


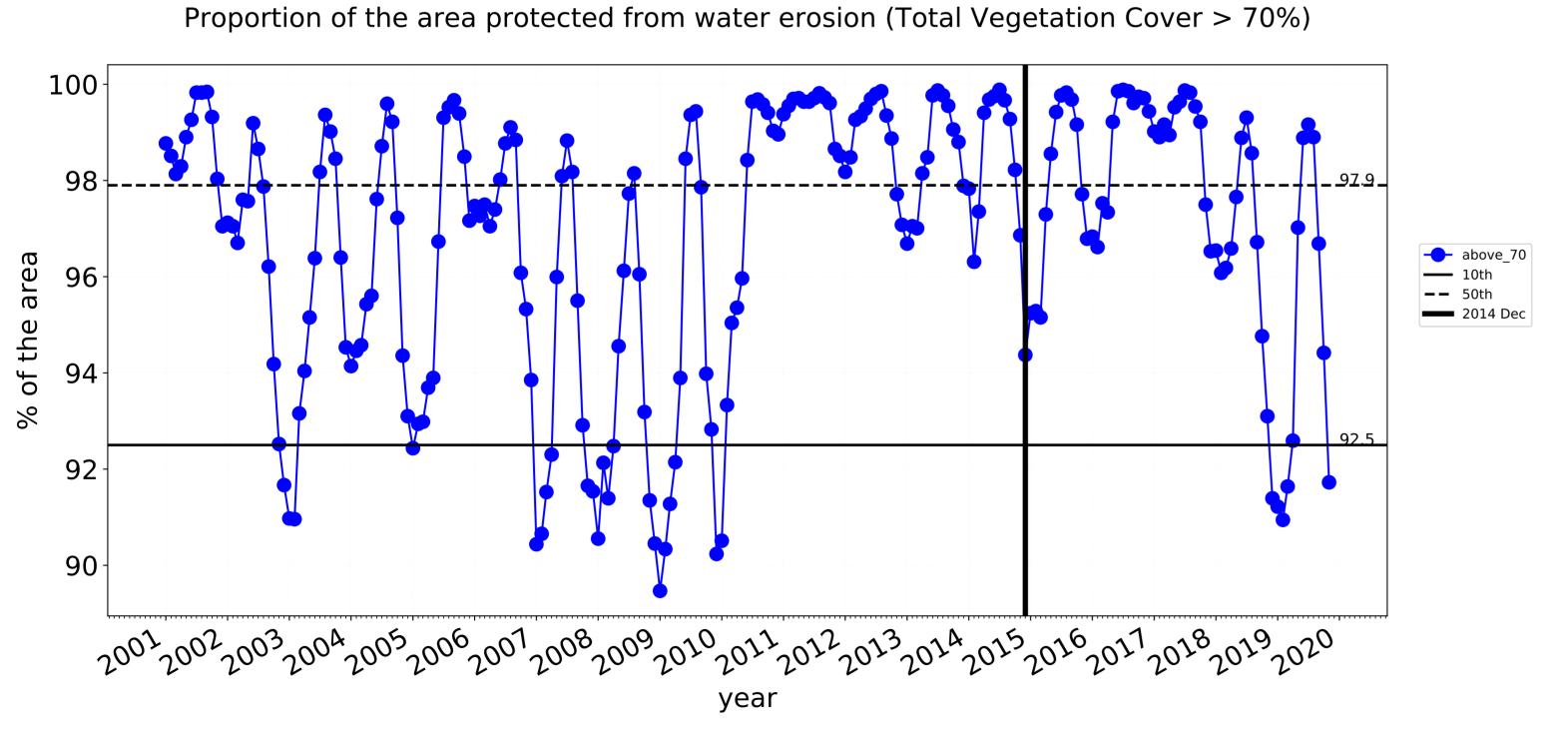


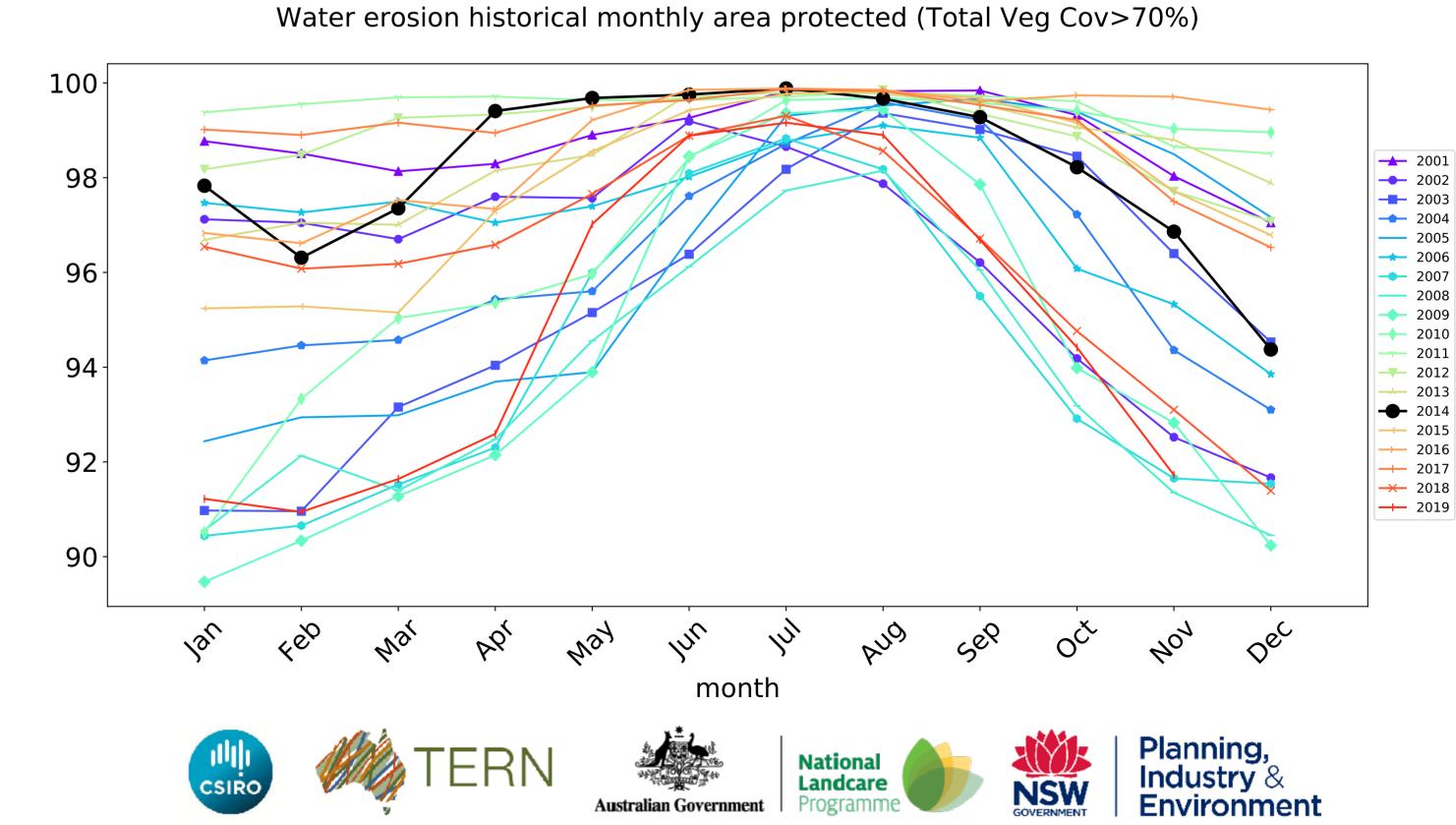


Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries









Riverina (6,694,025 ha and no data 14,310 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	6,694,025	99.9% 6,685,250	85.0% 5,692,960	39.1% 2,619,275	20.7% 1,383,306	6.5% 435,212	2.1% 143,687
Conservation and natural environments	323,175	100.0% 323,175	97.8% 316,075	81.0% 261,750	75.5% 243,975	59.1% 190,875	24.7% 79,700
Conservation and natural environments non forest	83,350	100.0% 83,350	91.6% 76,325	28.9% 24,100	16.5% 13,775	10.4% 8,650	3.2% 2,675
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	195,325	100.0% 195,325	100.0% 195,300	99.8% 194,925	98.5% 192,450	87.0% 169,950	38.8% 75,800
Agriculture	6,067,950	99.9% 6,059,600	83.9% 5,090,750	35.2% 2,137,975	16.0% 970,000	2.3% 141,850	0.3% 16,525
Grazing	2,311,575	99.7% 2,305,250	77.0% 1,780,650	42.0% 970,850	28.6% 661,250	5.4% 125,275	0.6% 13,975
Grazing non forest	2,066,575	99.7% 2,060,250	74.3% 1,536,250	36.6% 756,075	24.7% 510,325	3.9% 80,625	0.3% 6,700
Grazing Woodland forest	141,650	100.0% 141,650	99.6% 141,050	82.1% 116,250	48.4% 68,500	6.1% 8,700	0.5% 675
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	103,350	100.0% 103,350	100.0% 103,350	95.3% 98,525	79.8% 82,425	34.8% 35,950	6.4% 6,600
Cropping	3,186,950	99.9% 3,185,100	87.6% 2,790,325	30.4% 969,375	8.4% 267,350	0.4% 11,275	0.0% 1,175
Irrigation	567,600	100.0% 567,425	91.4% 518,875	34.8% 197,575	7.3% 41,325	0.9% 5,300	0.2% 1,375
Production native forests and plantation forests	172,825	100.0% 172,825	100.0% 172,800	94.4% 163,100	86.3% 149,150	57.9% 100,050	27.2% 47,050











