Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Riverina NSW

Date: May 2014

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

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

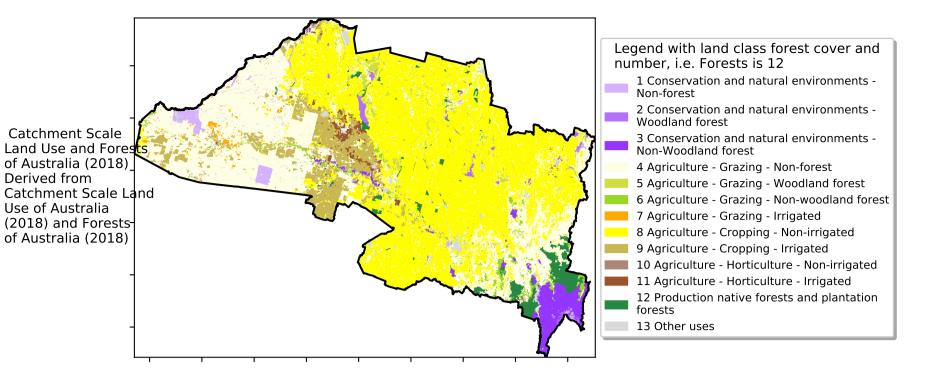
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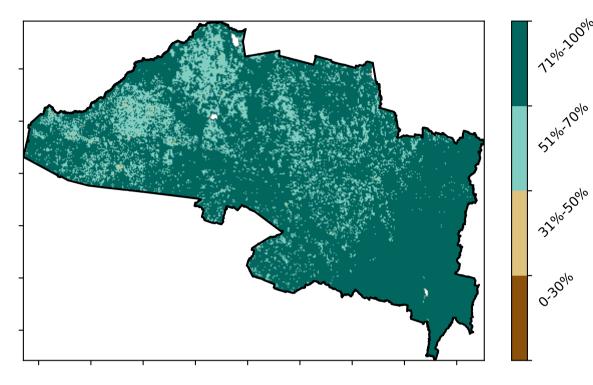
Vegetation Cover May 2014

Land use and forest cover

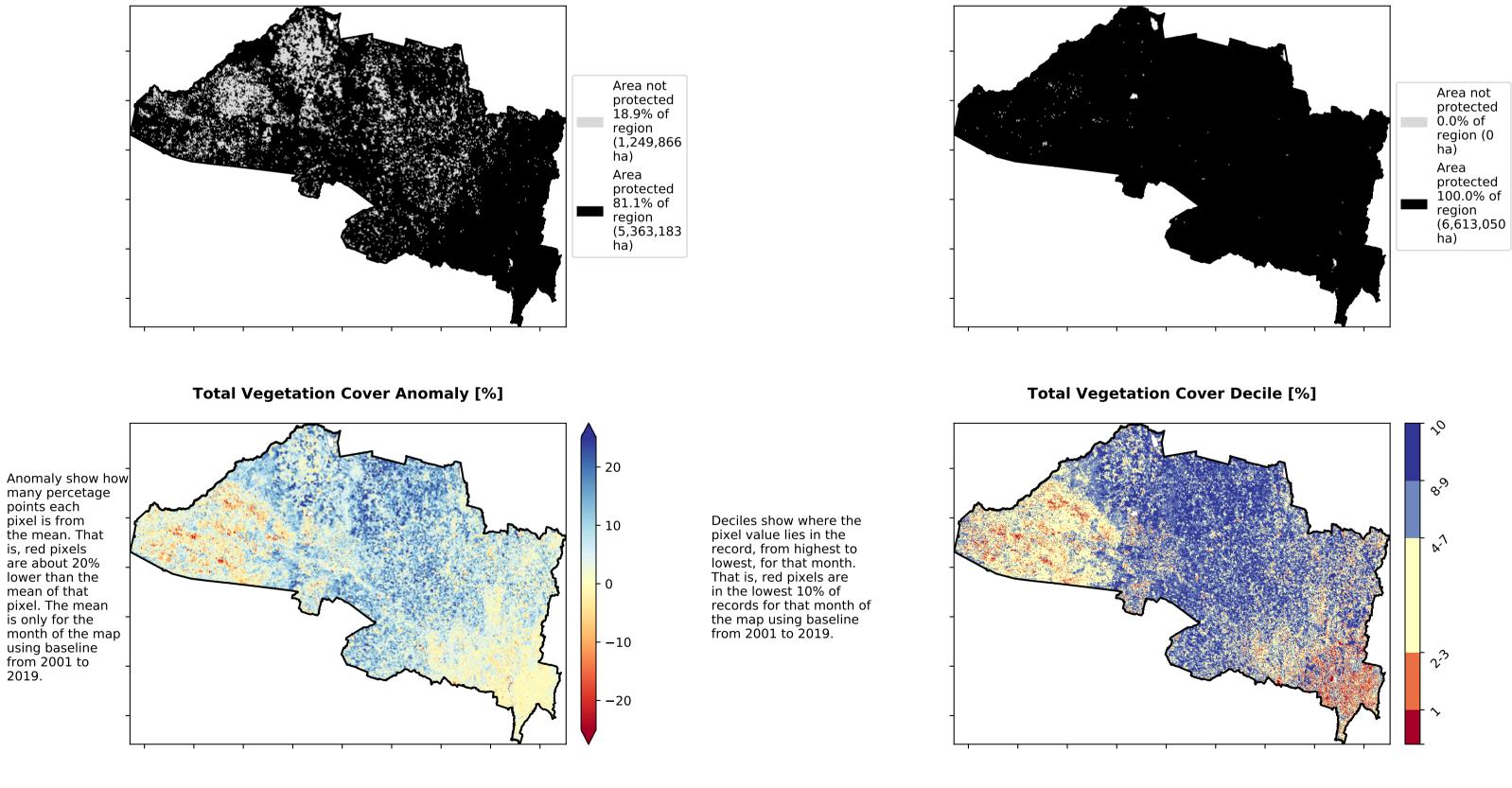
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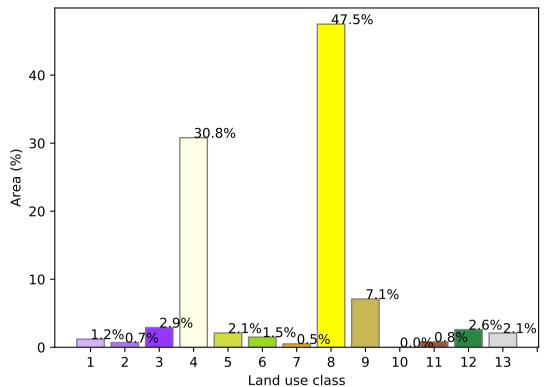


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

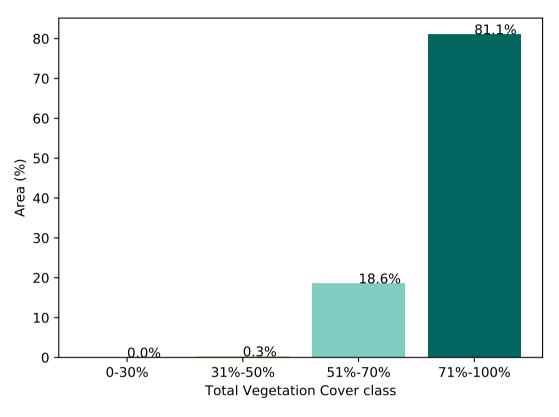


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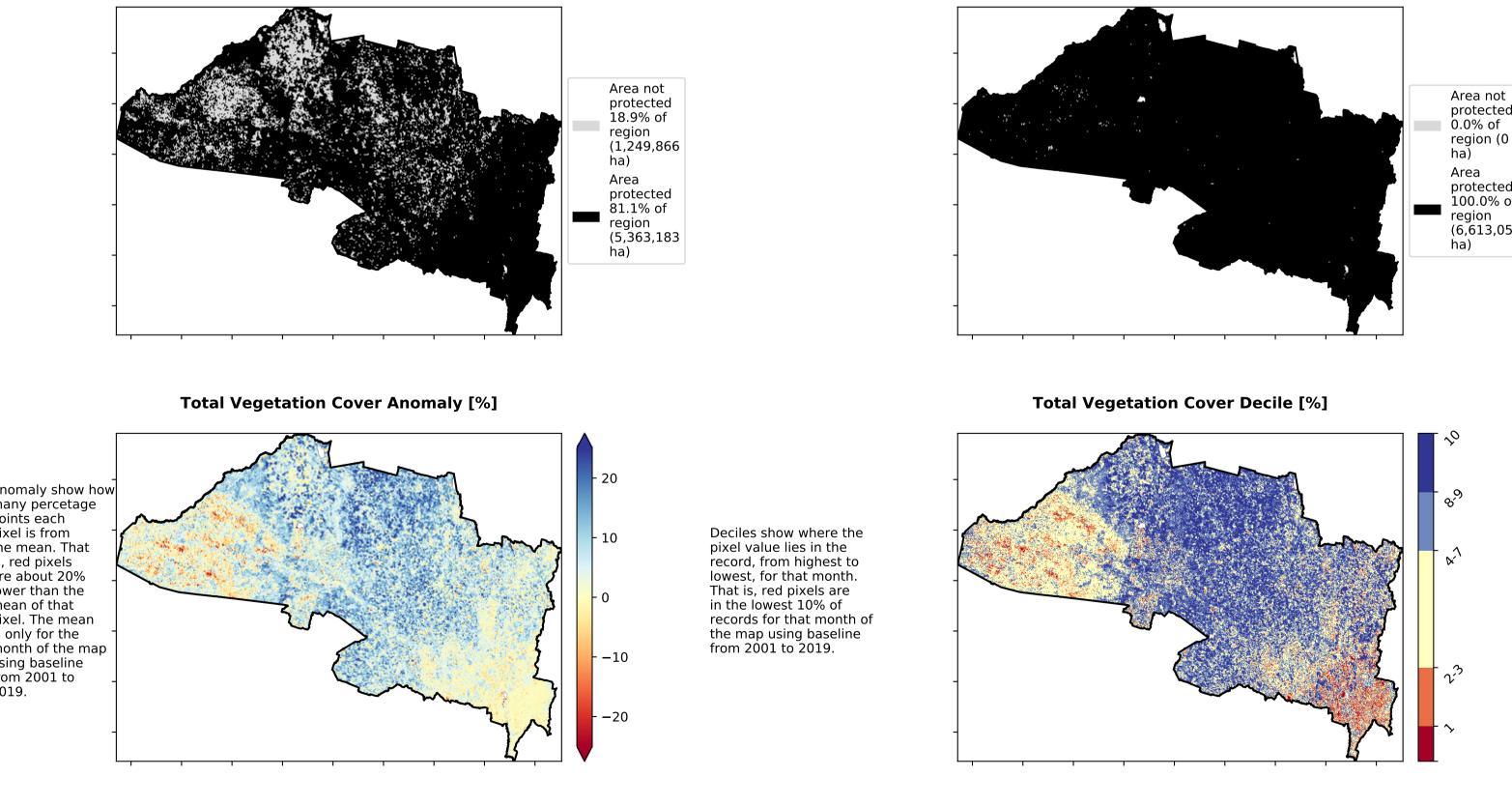




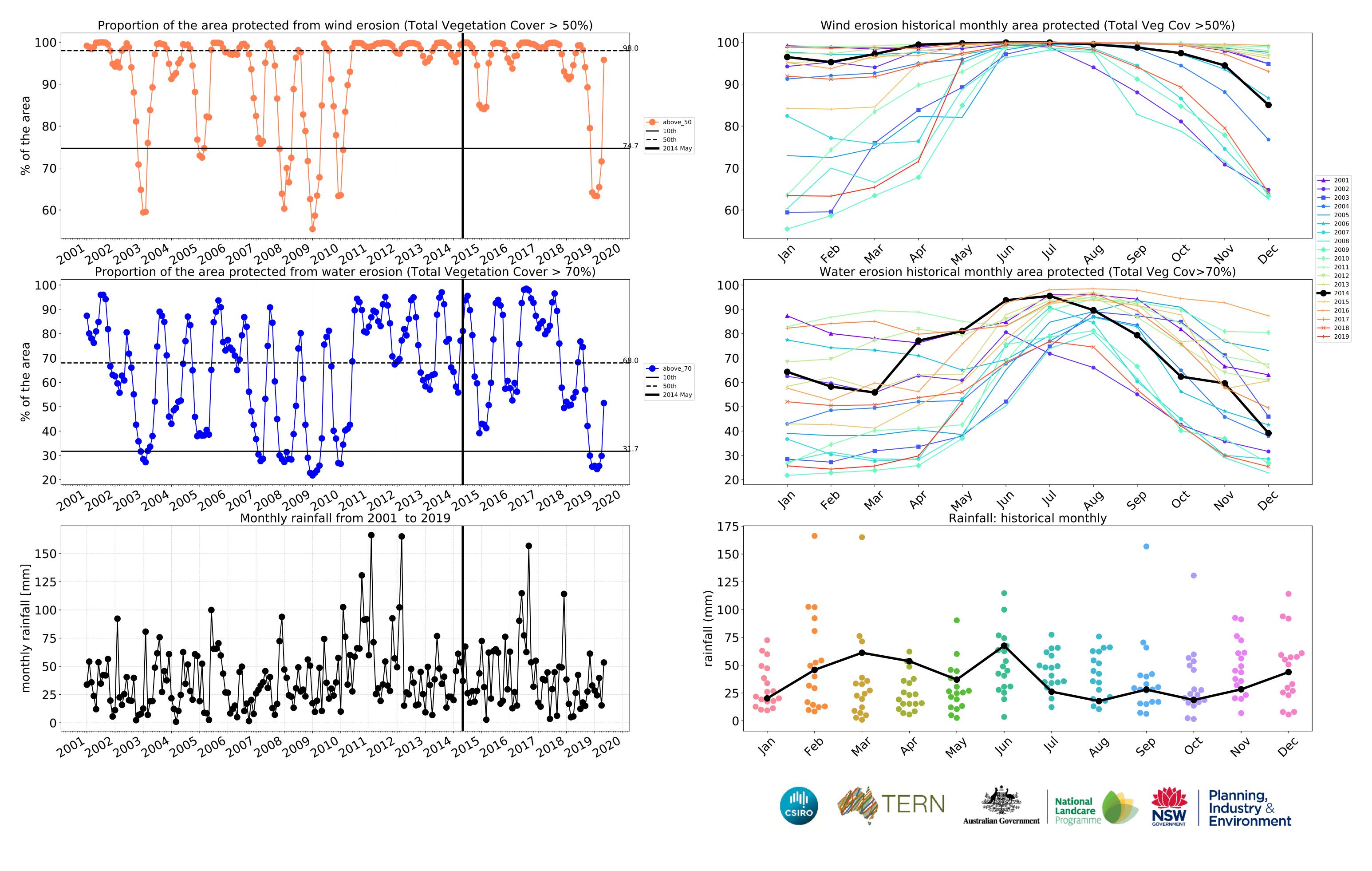
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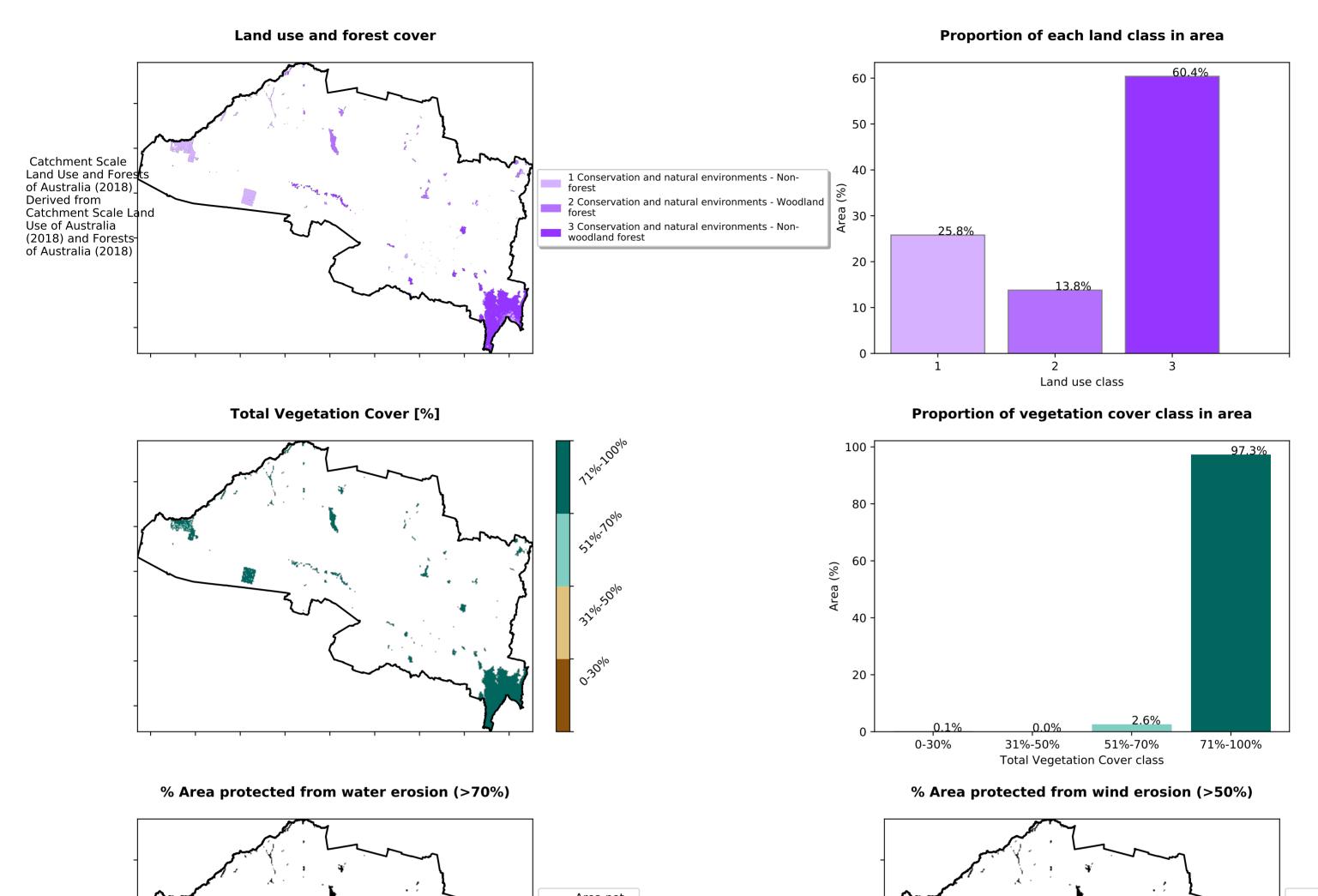
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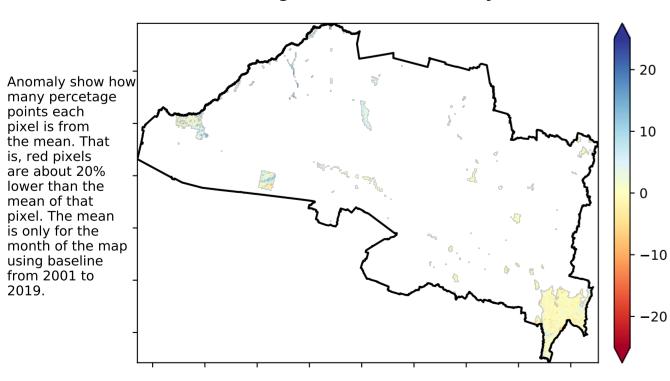


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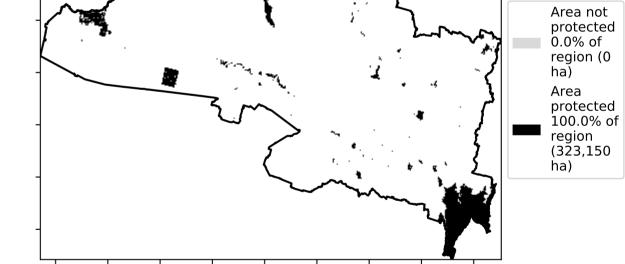


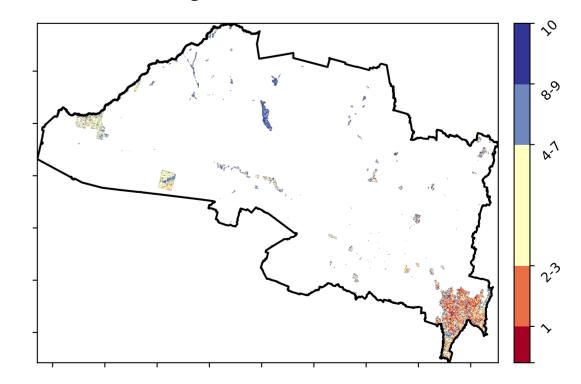


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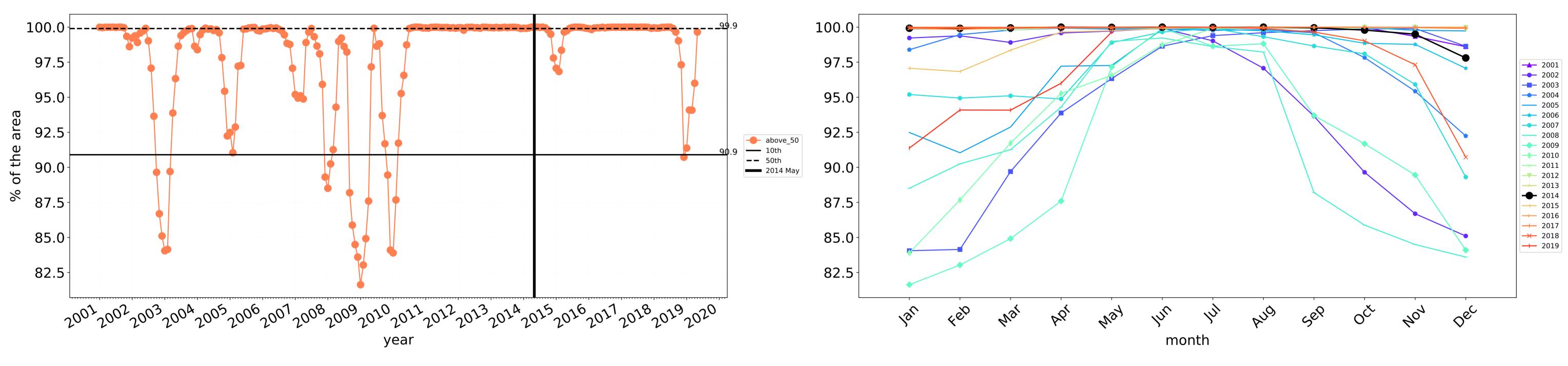
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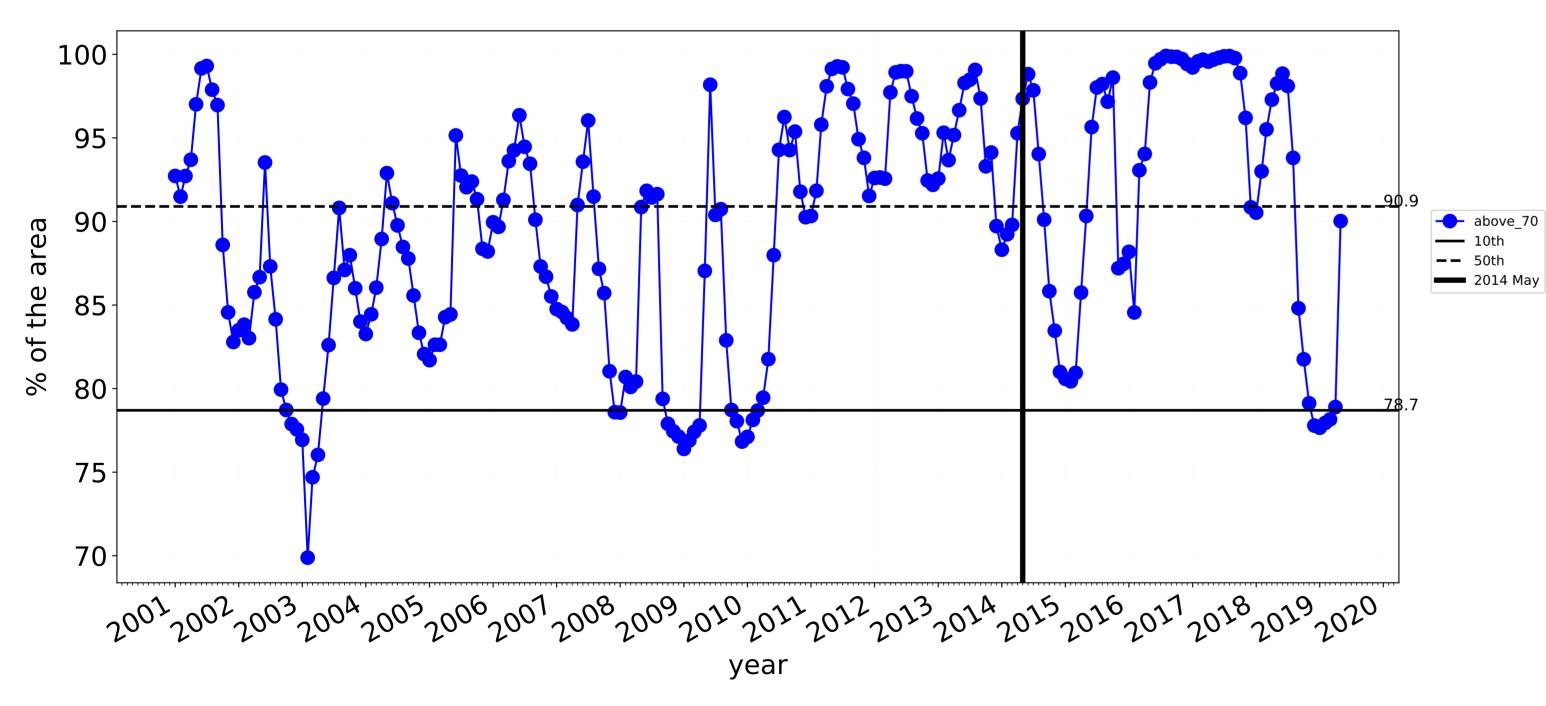


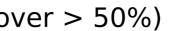
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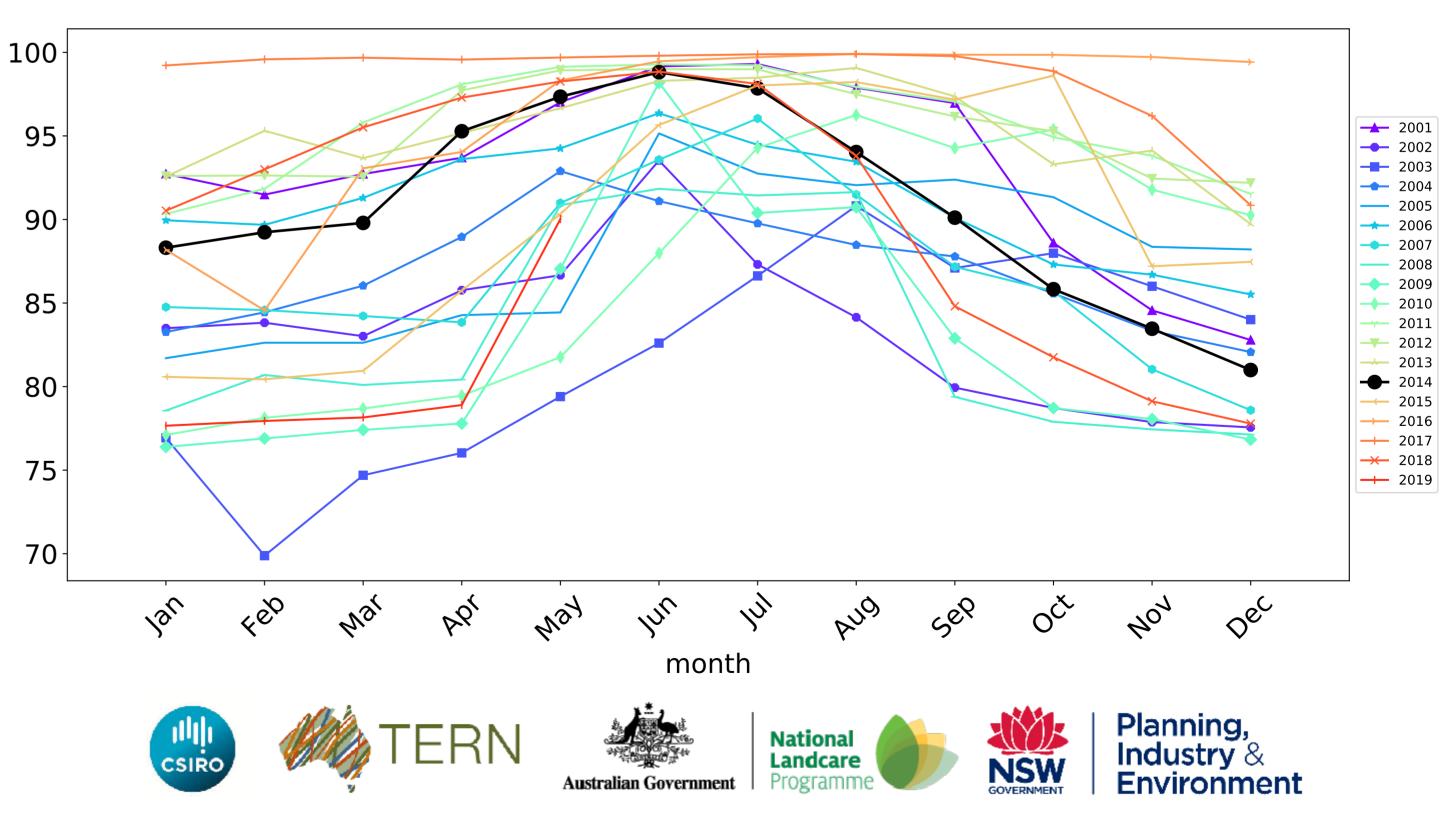
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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

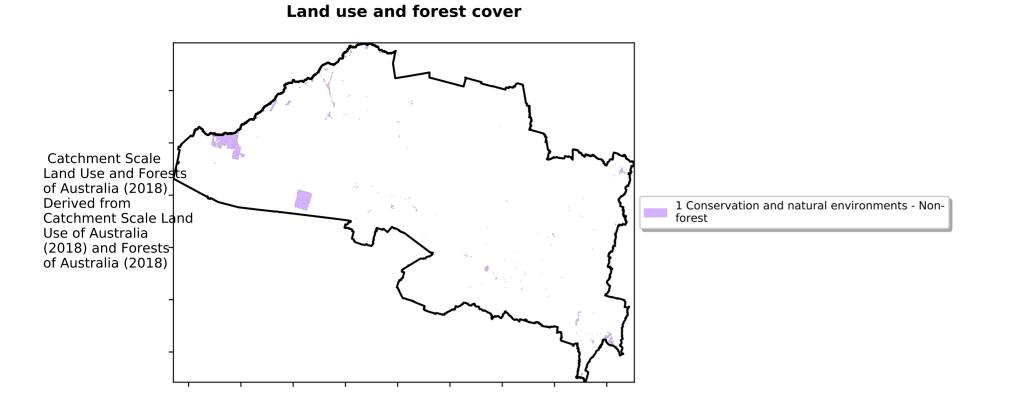




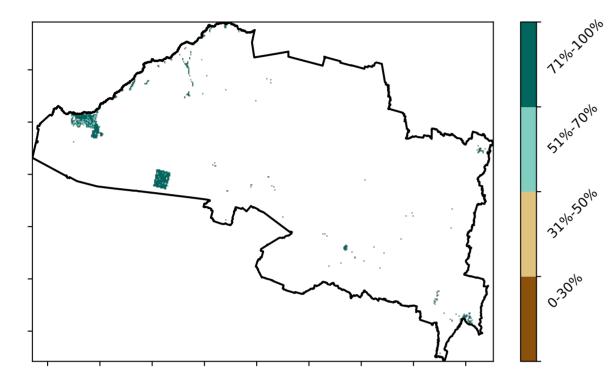
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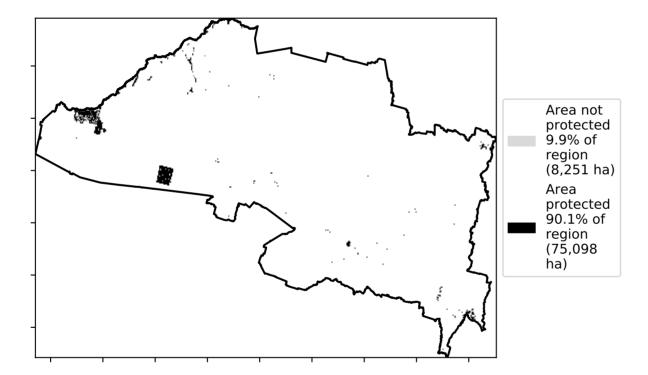
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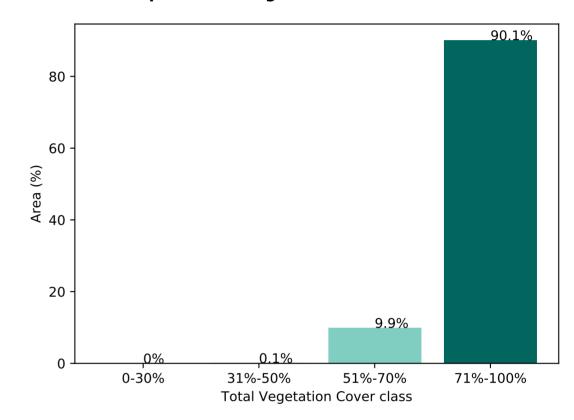
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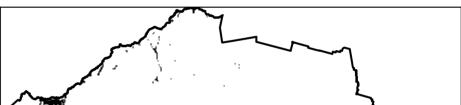
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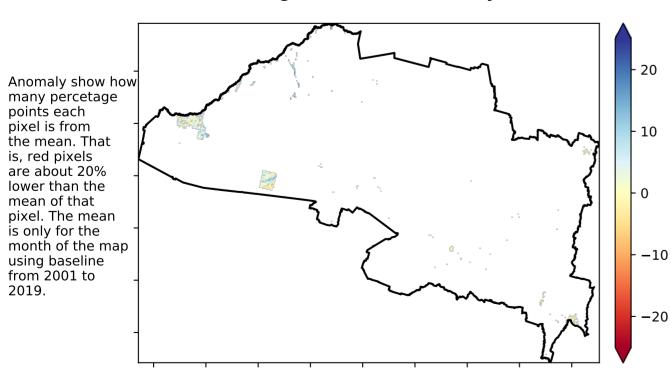




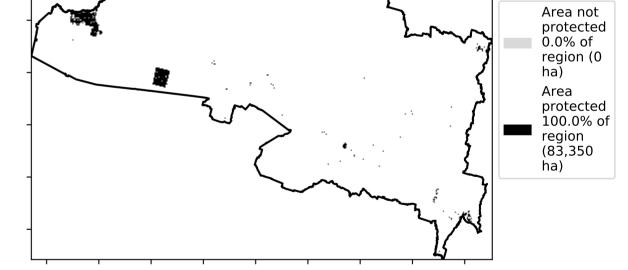
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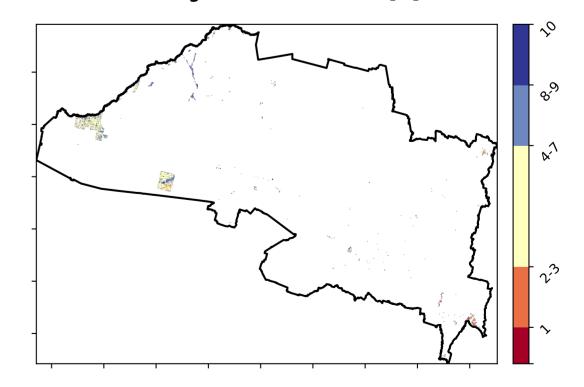


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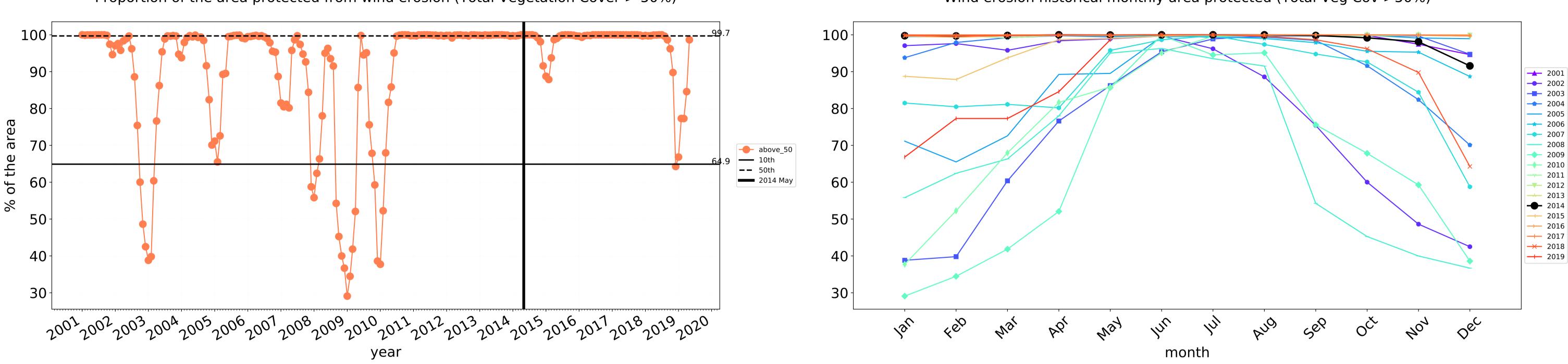
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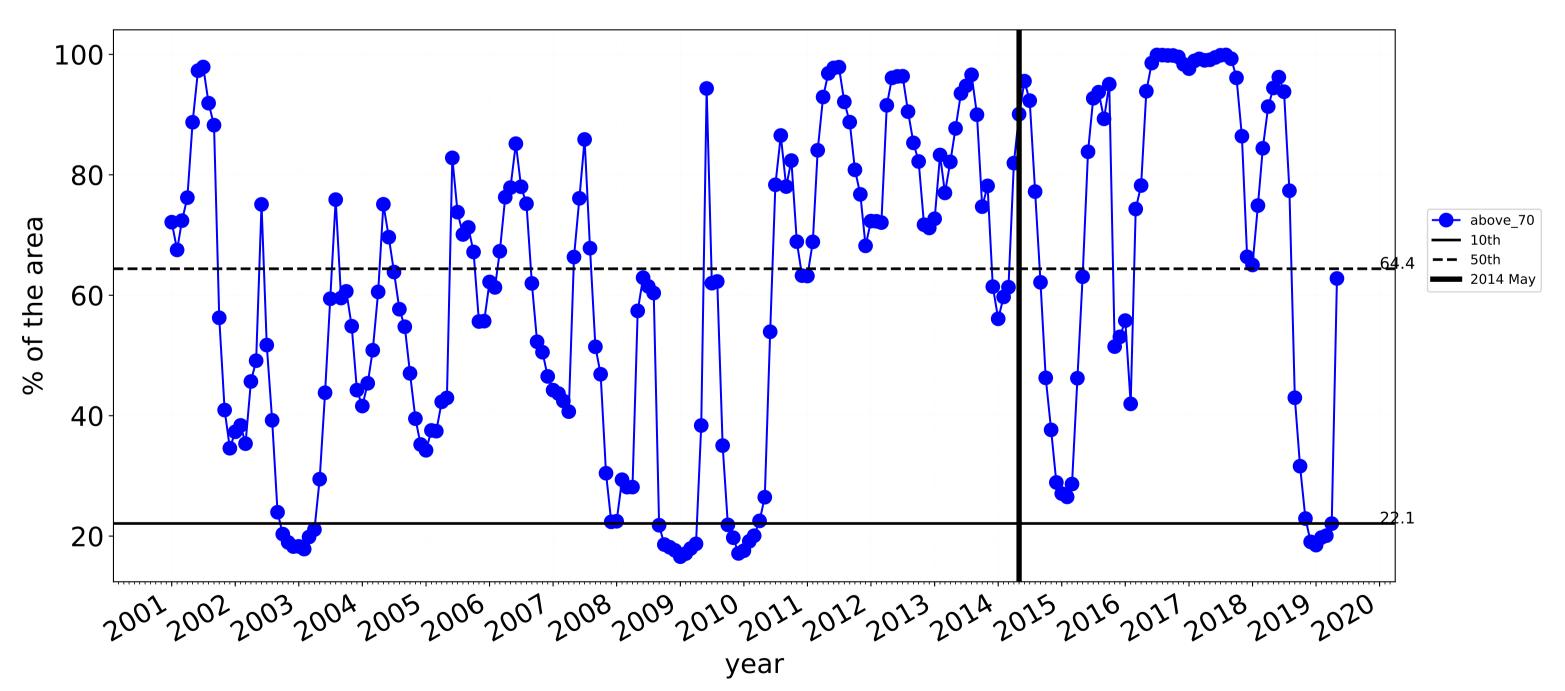


Conservation and natural environments non forest timeseries

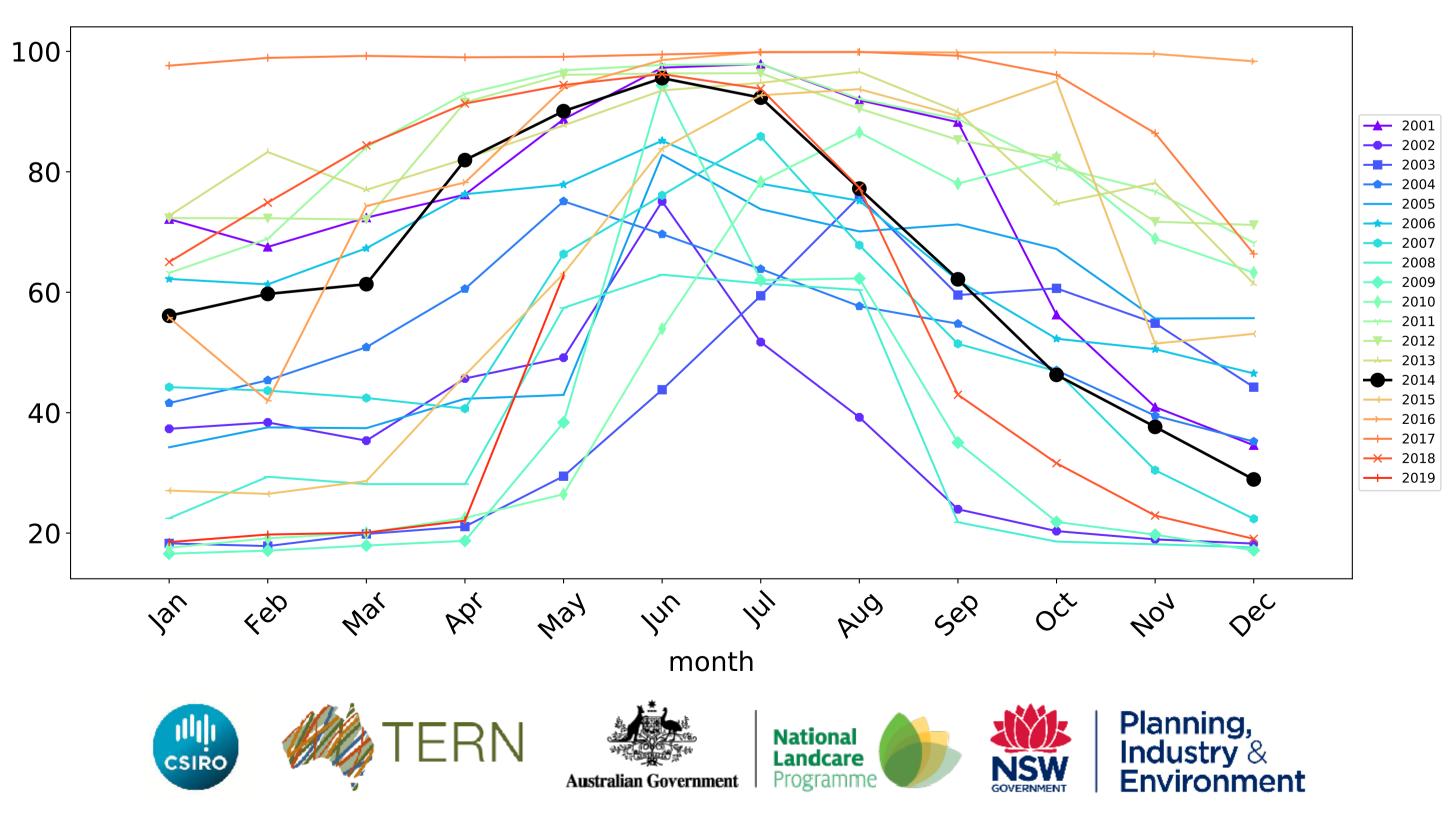


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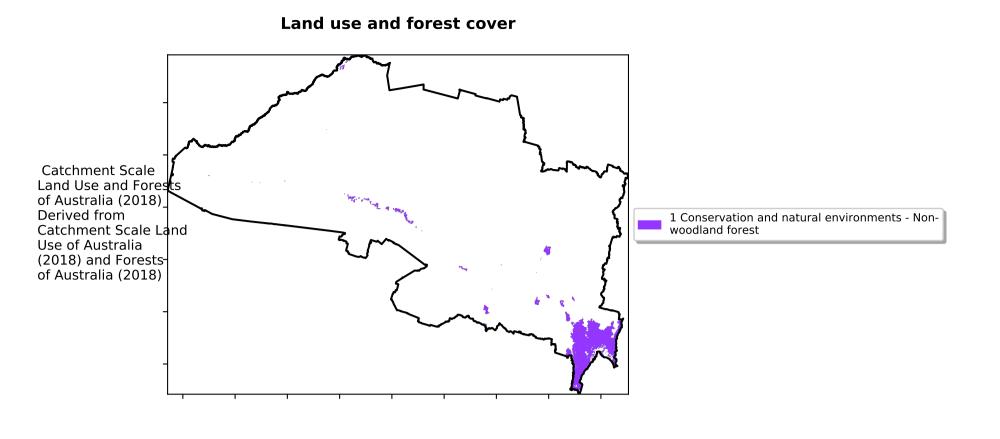




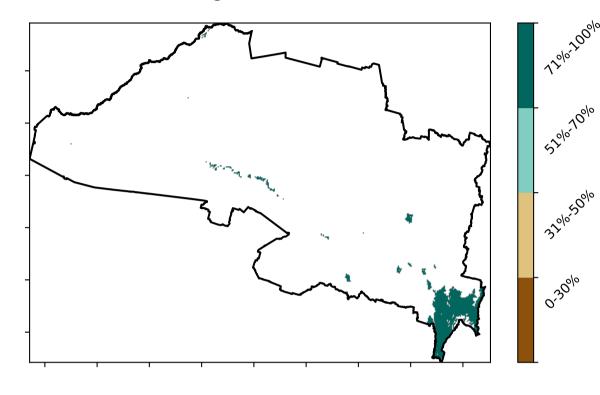
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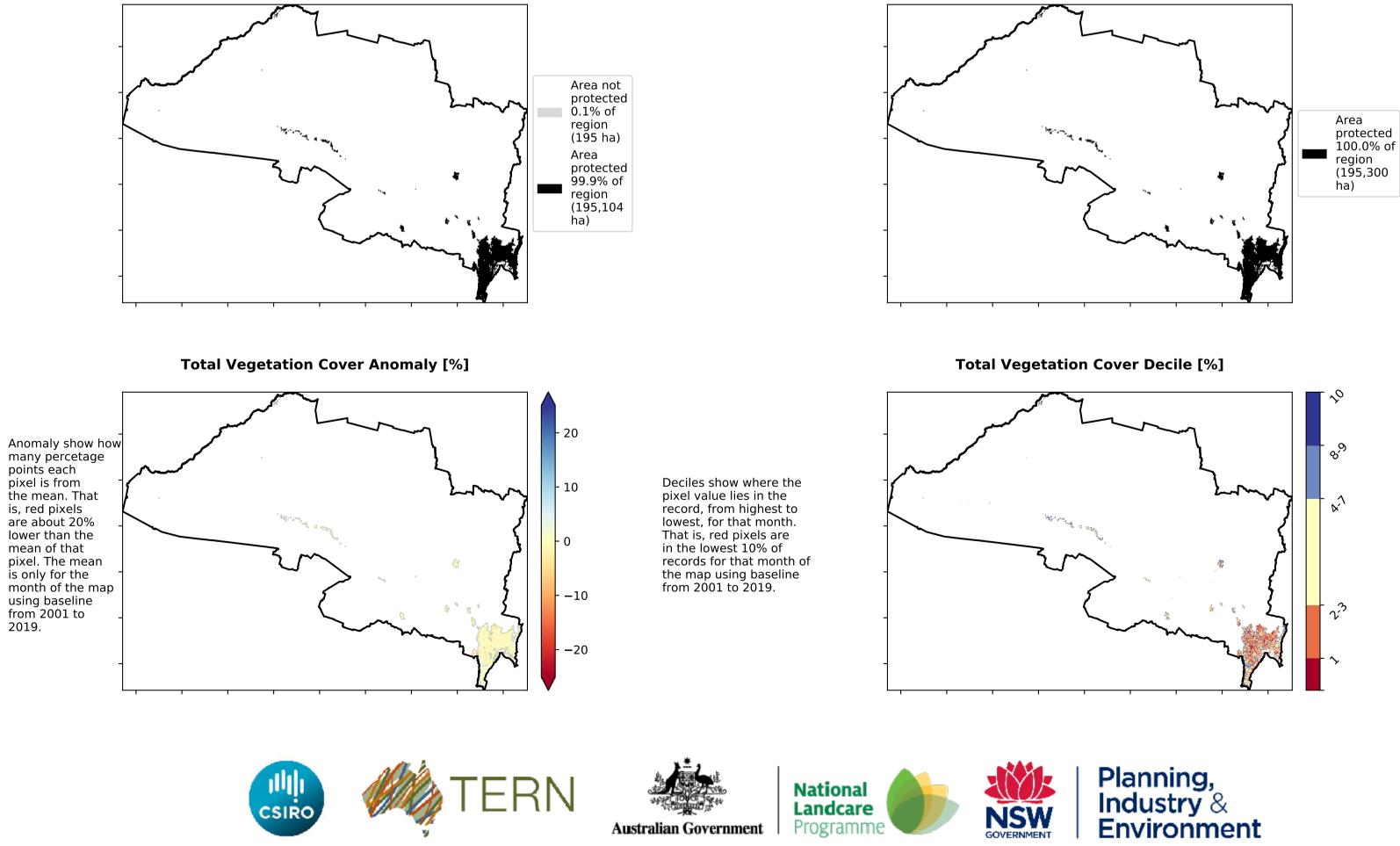
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)



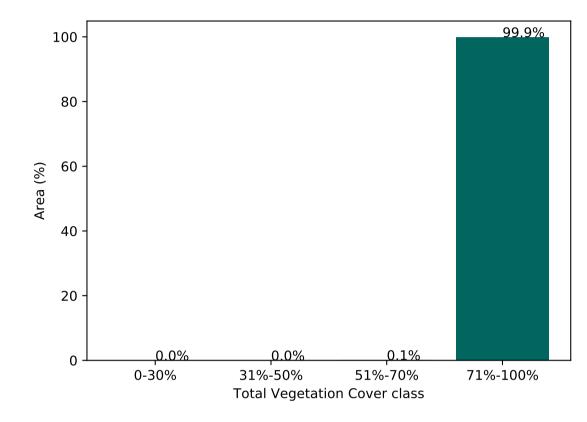
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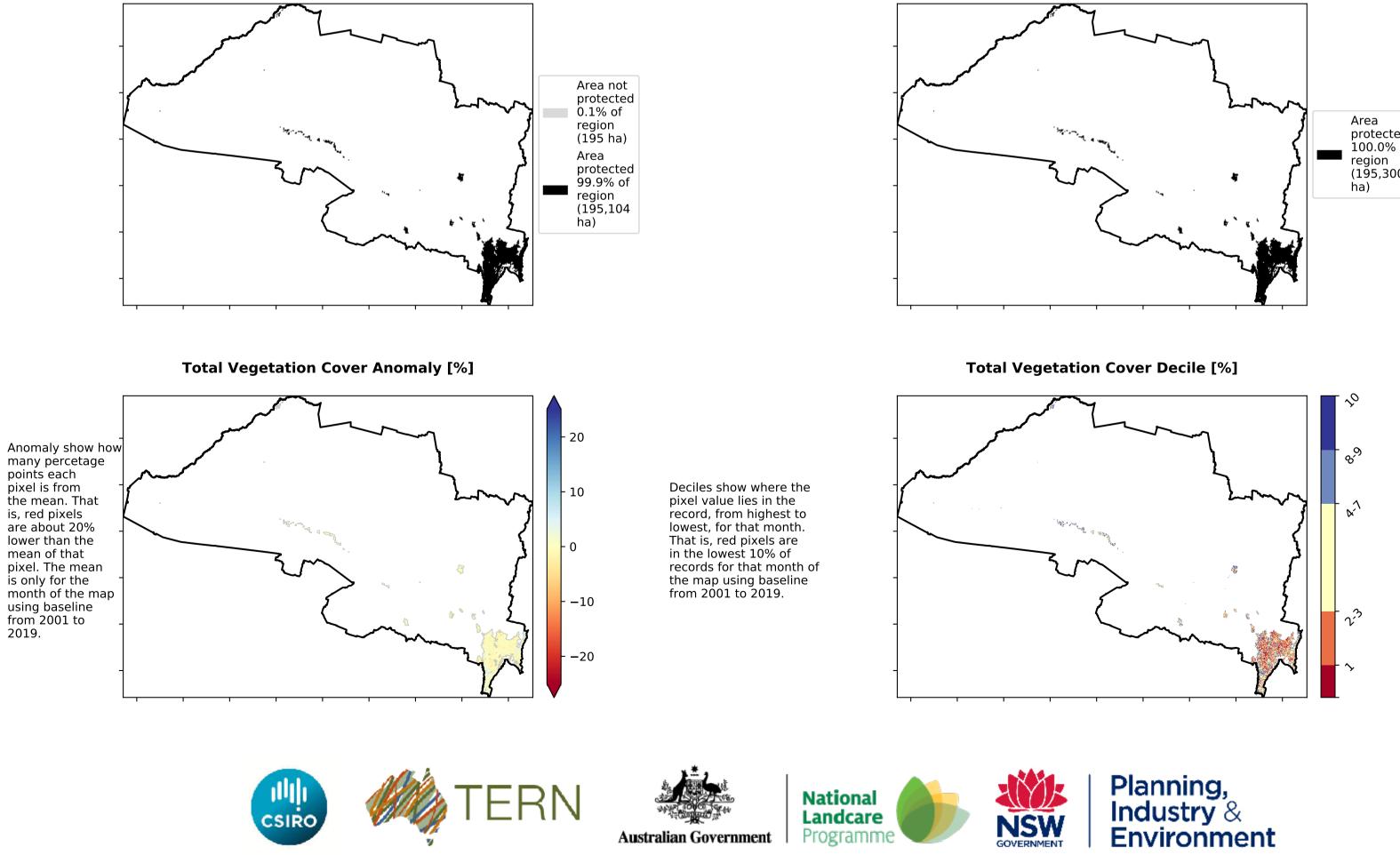
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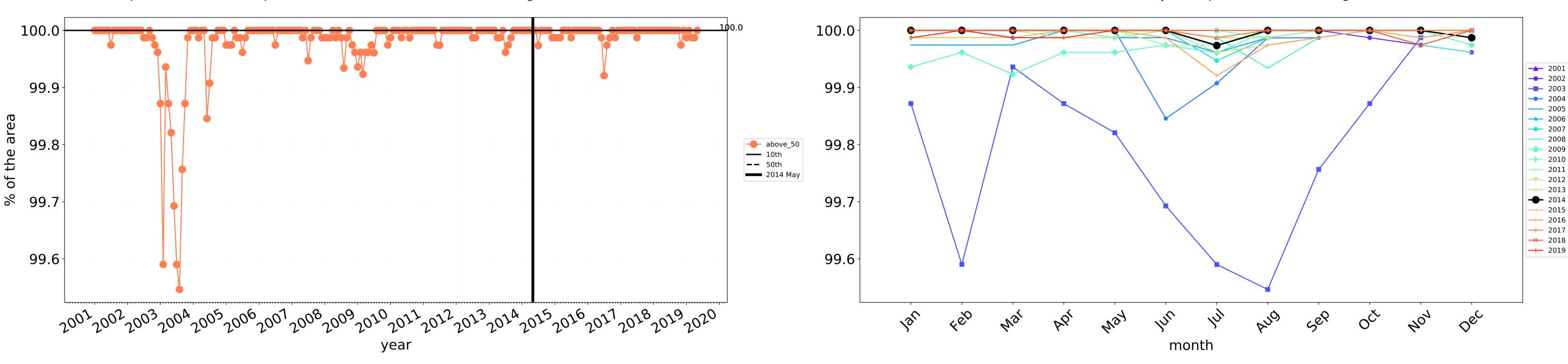
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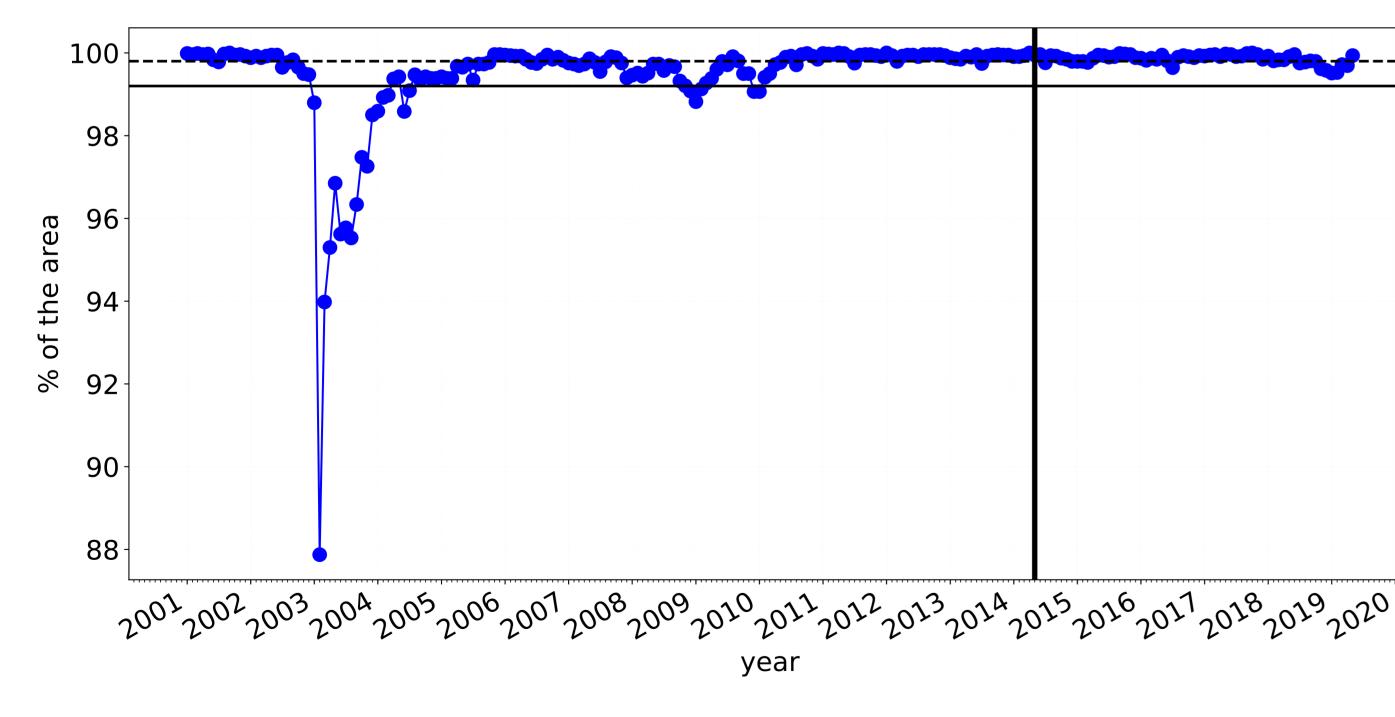


Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries



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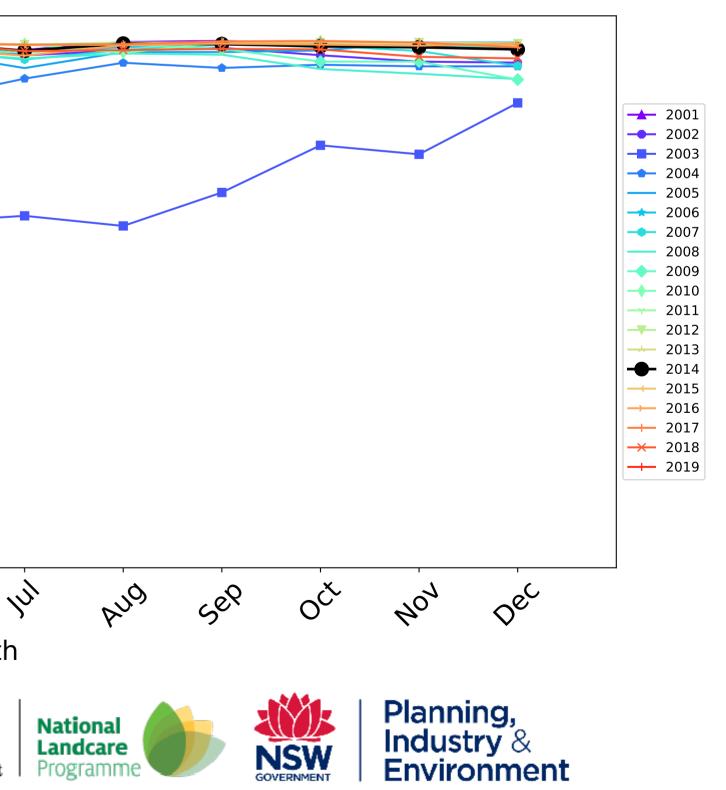
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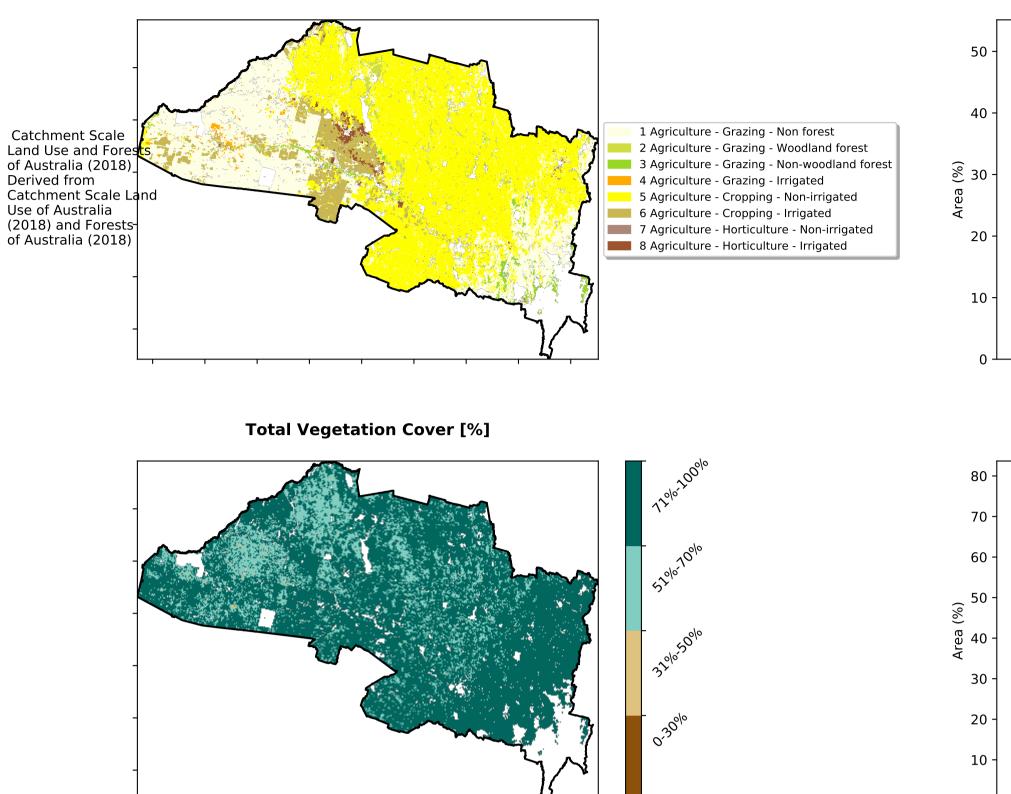
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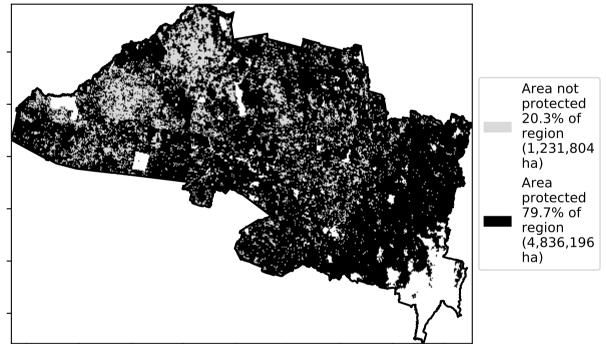
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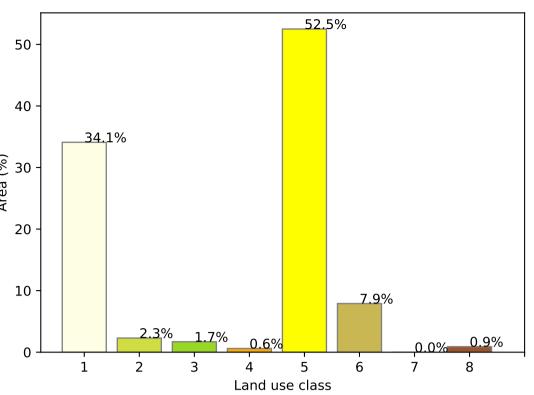
Land use and forest cover

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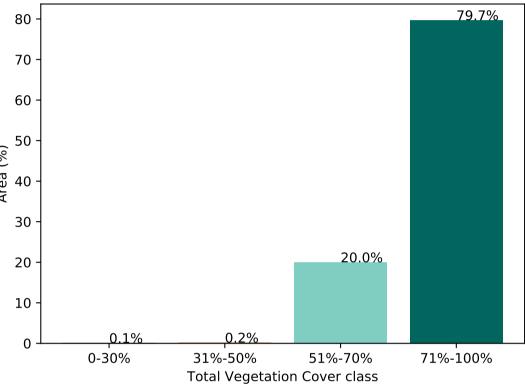


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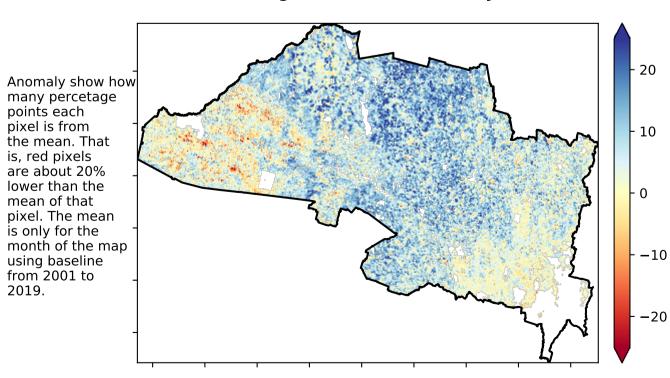
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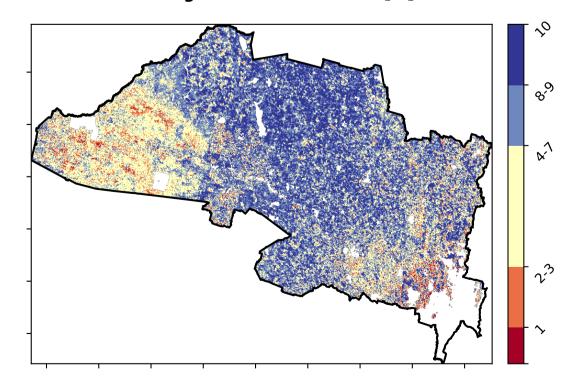
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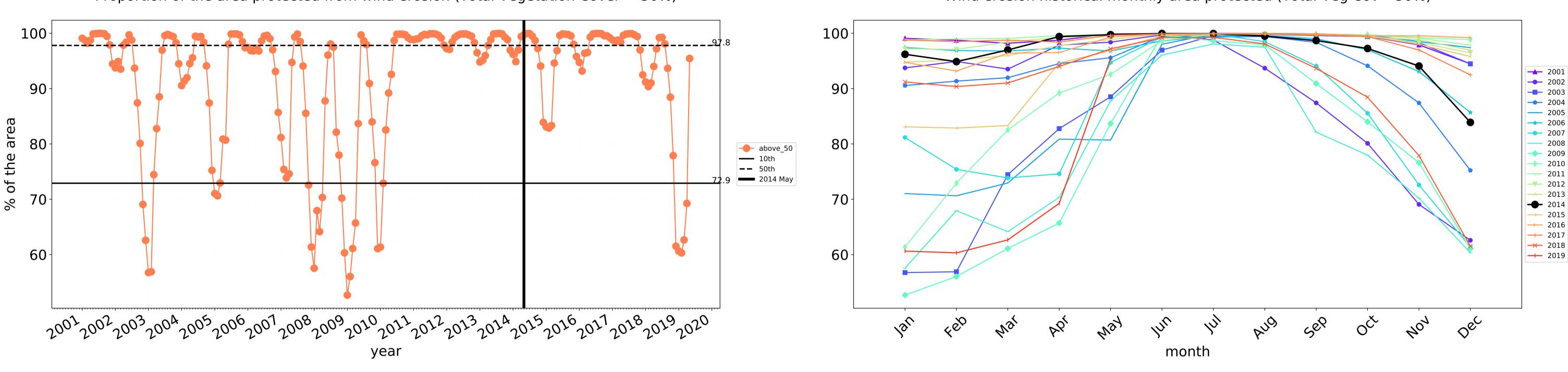
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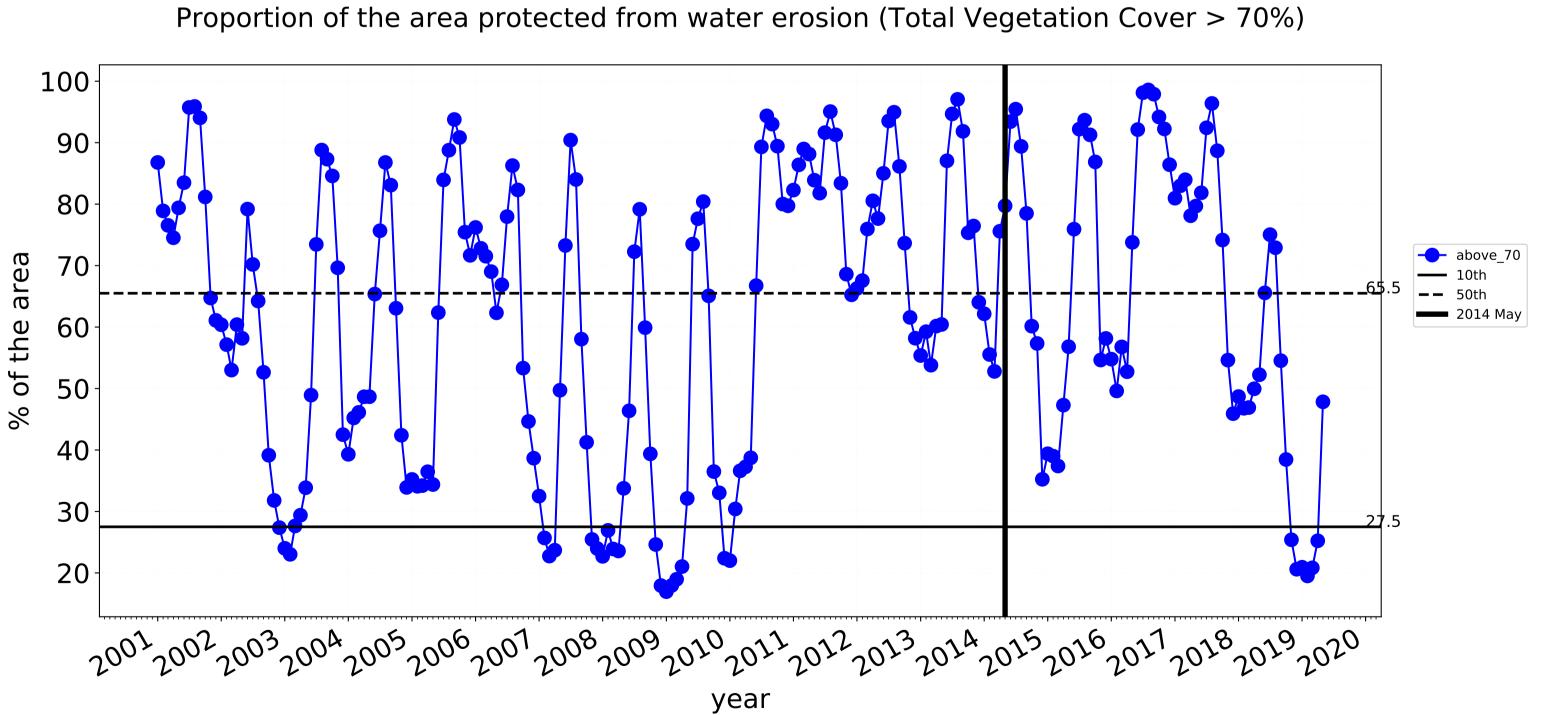
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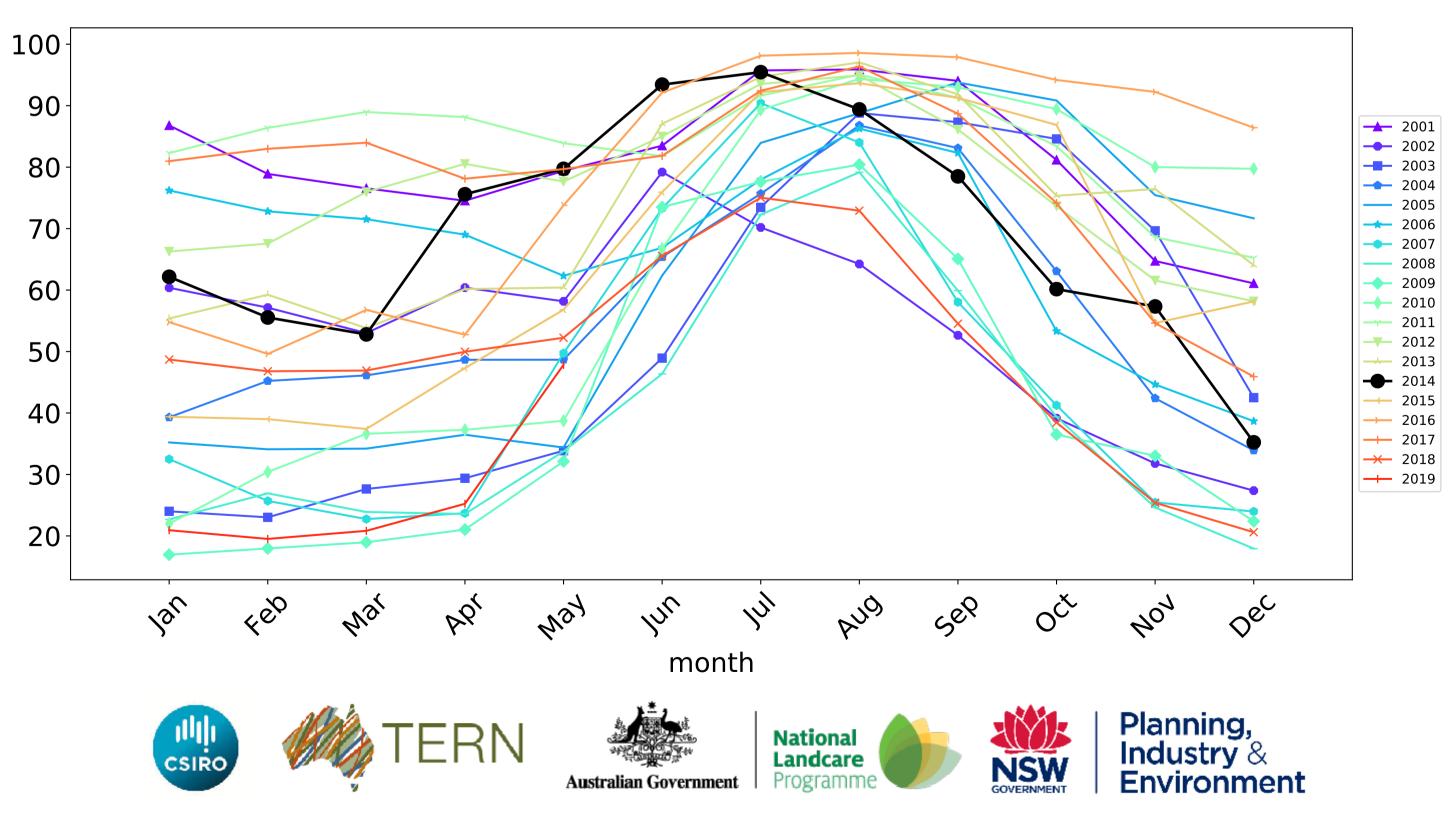


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



Agriculture timeseries

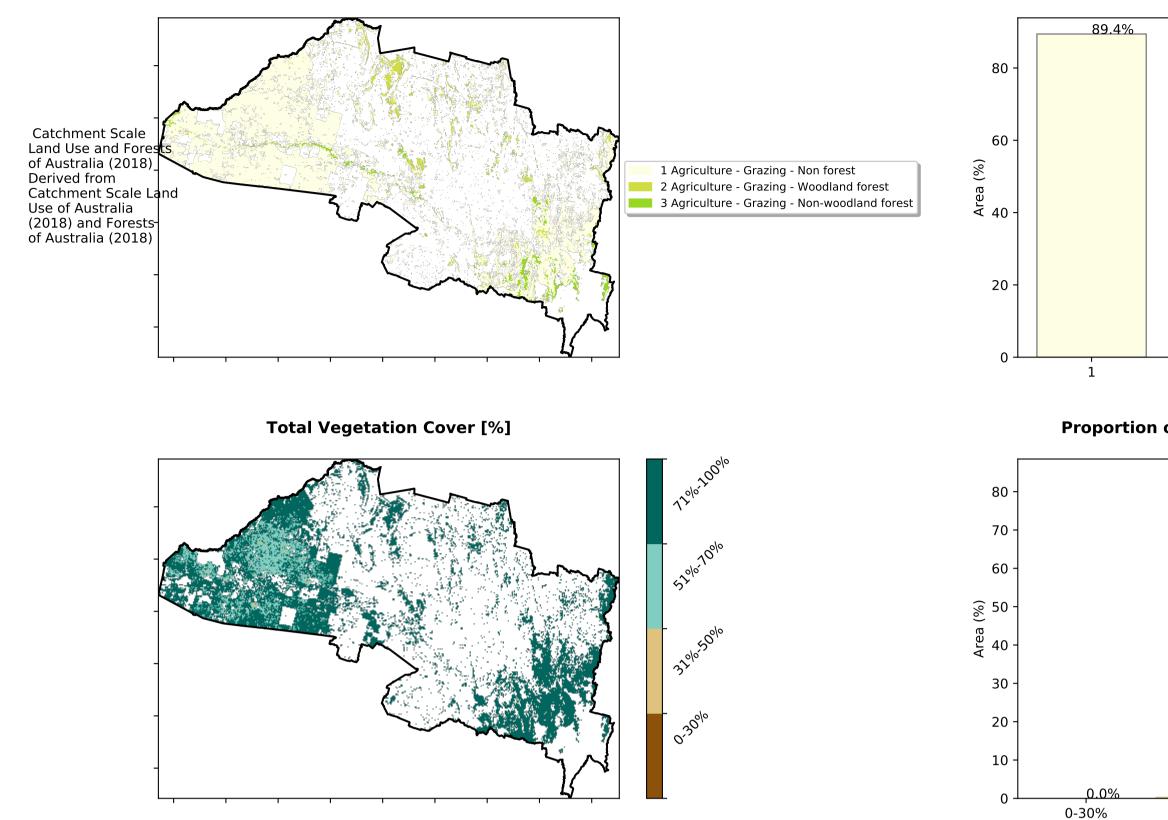
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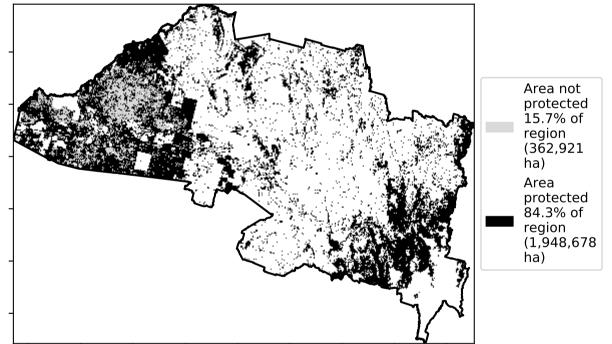
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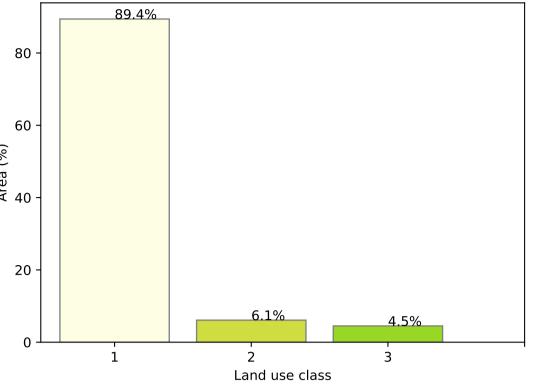
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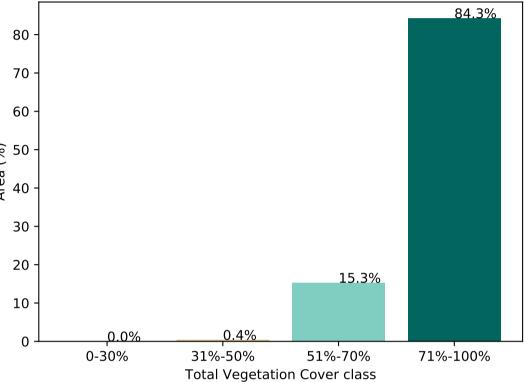


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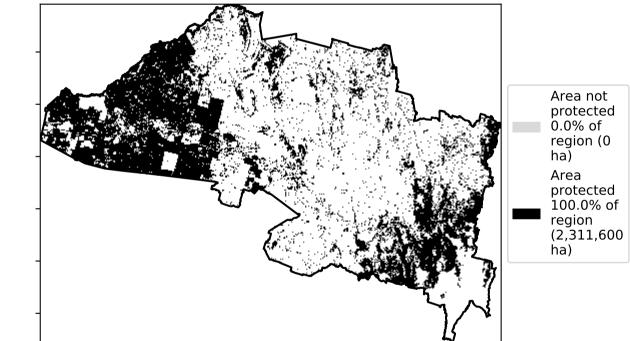




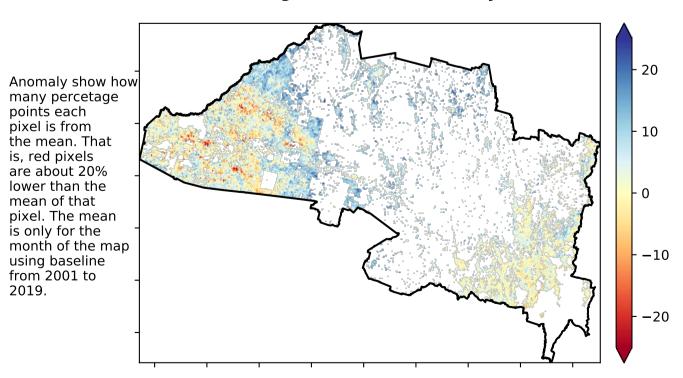
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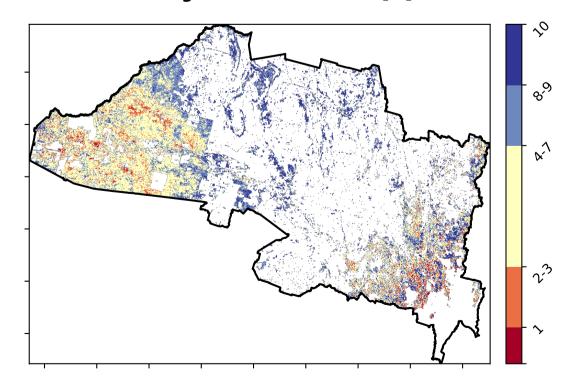
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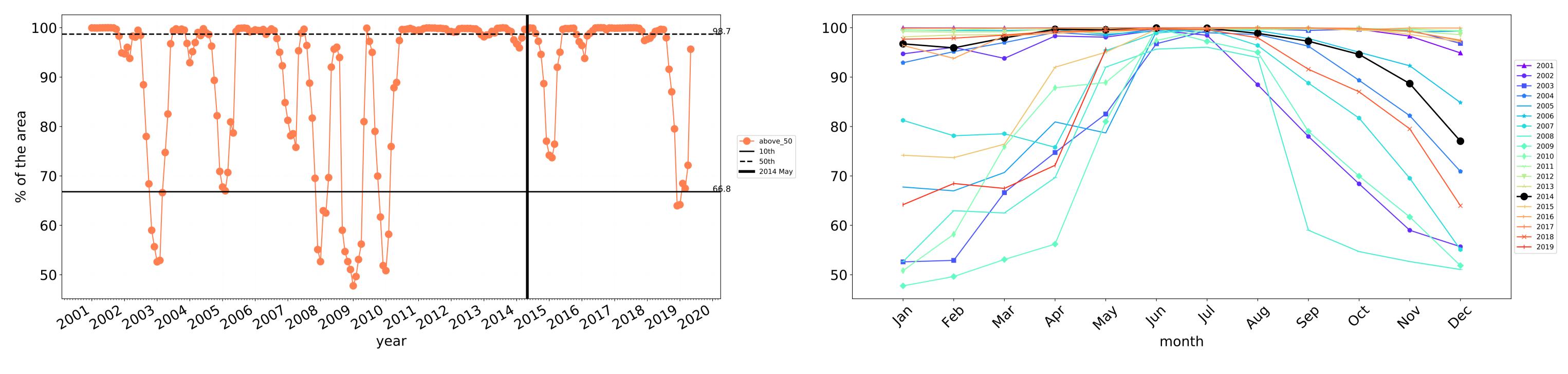
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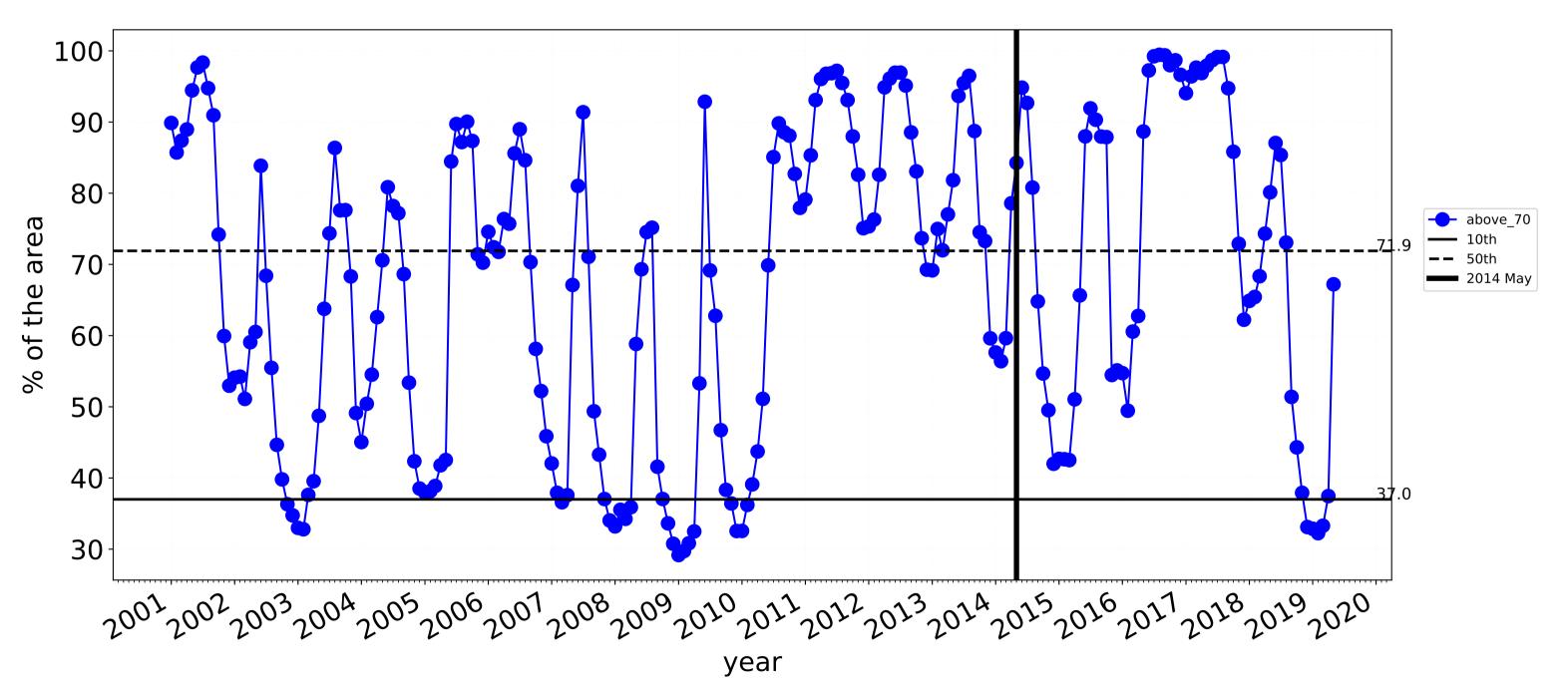






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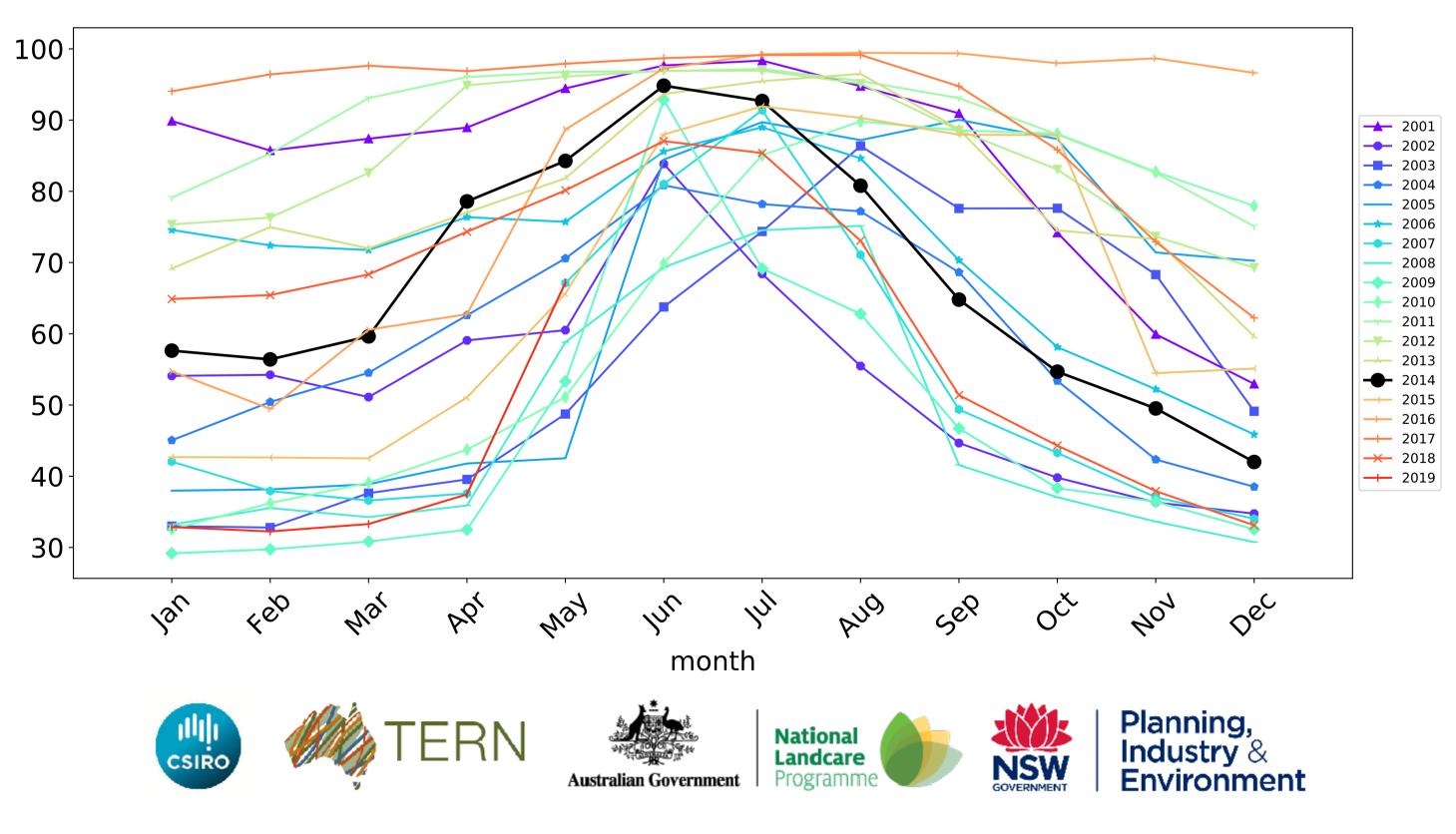




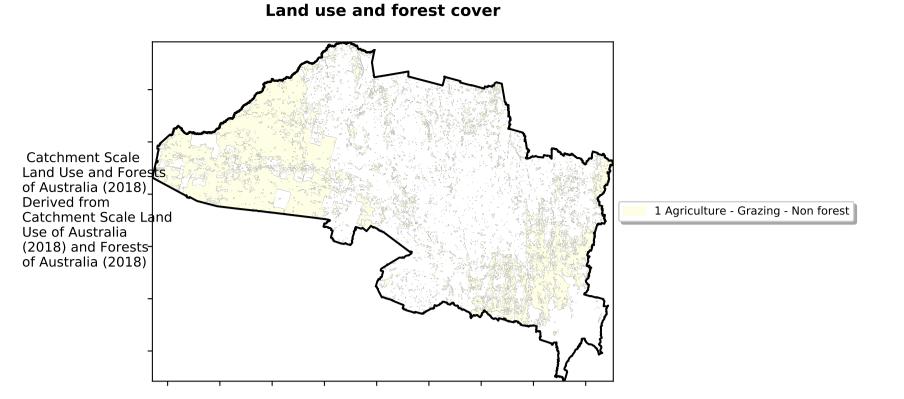
Grazing timeseries



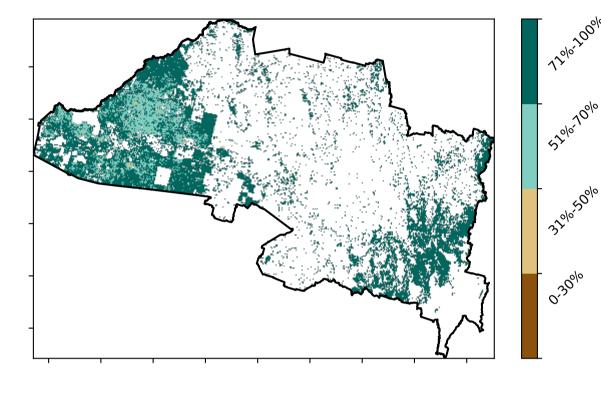
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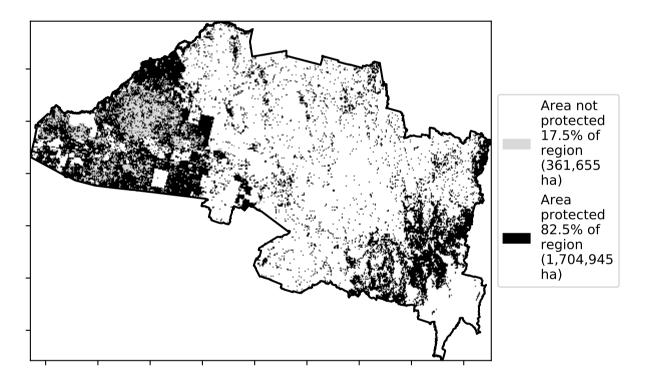
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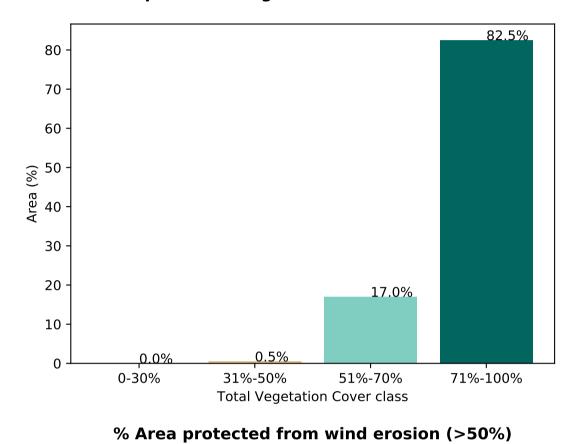
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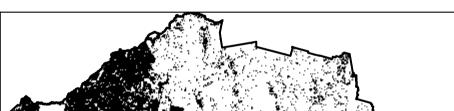


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area





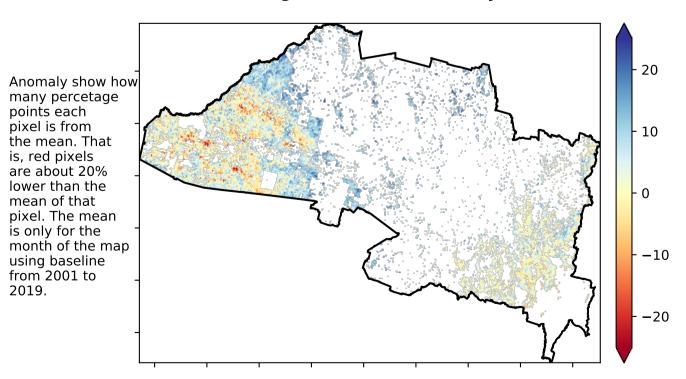
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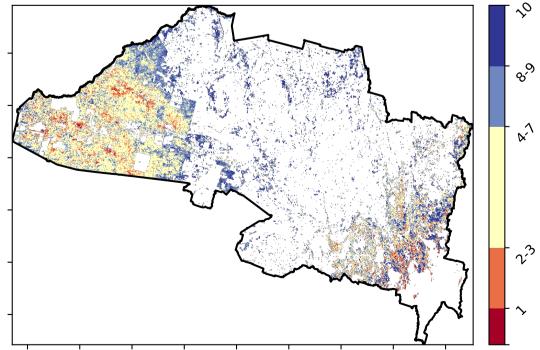
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

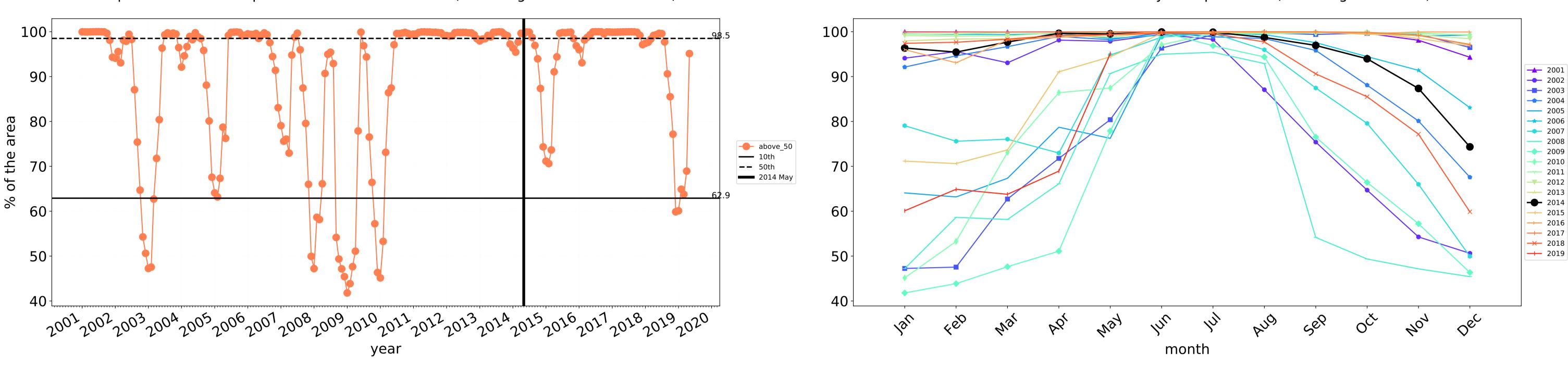


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



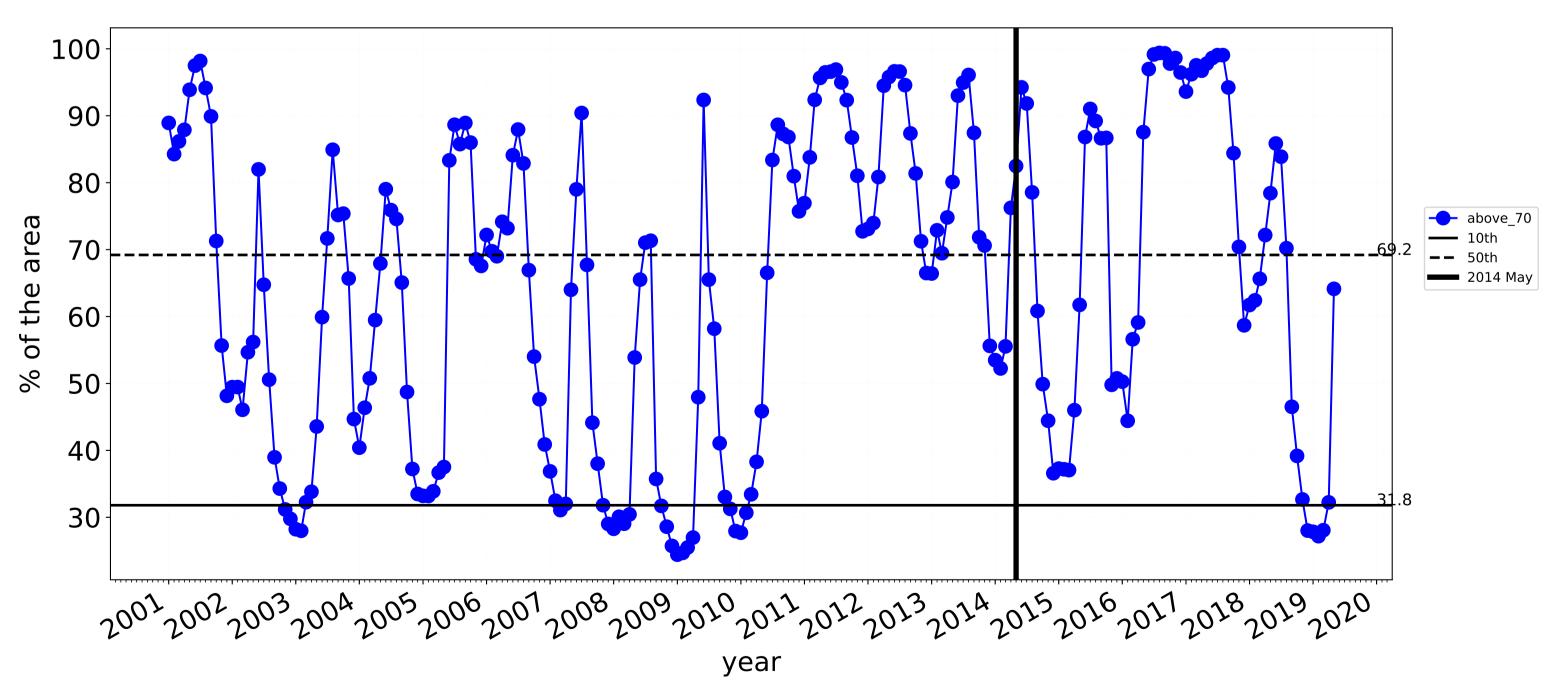


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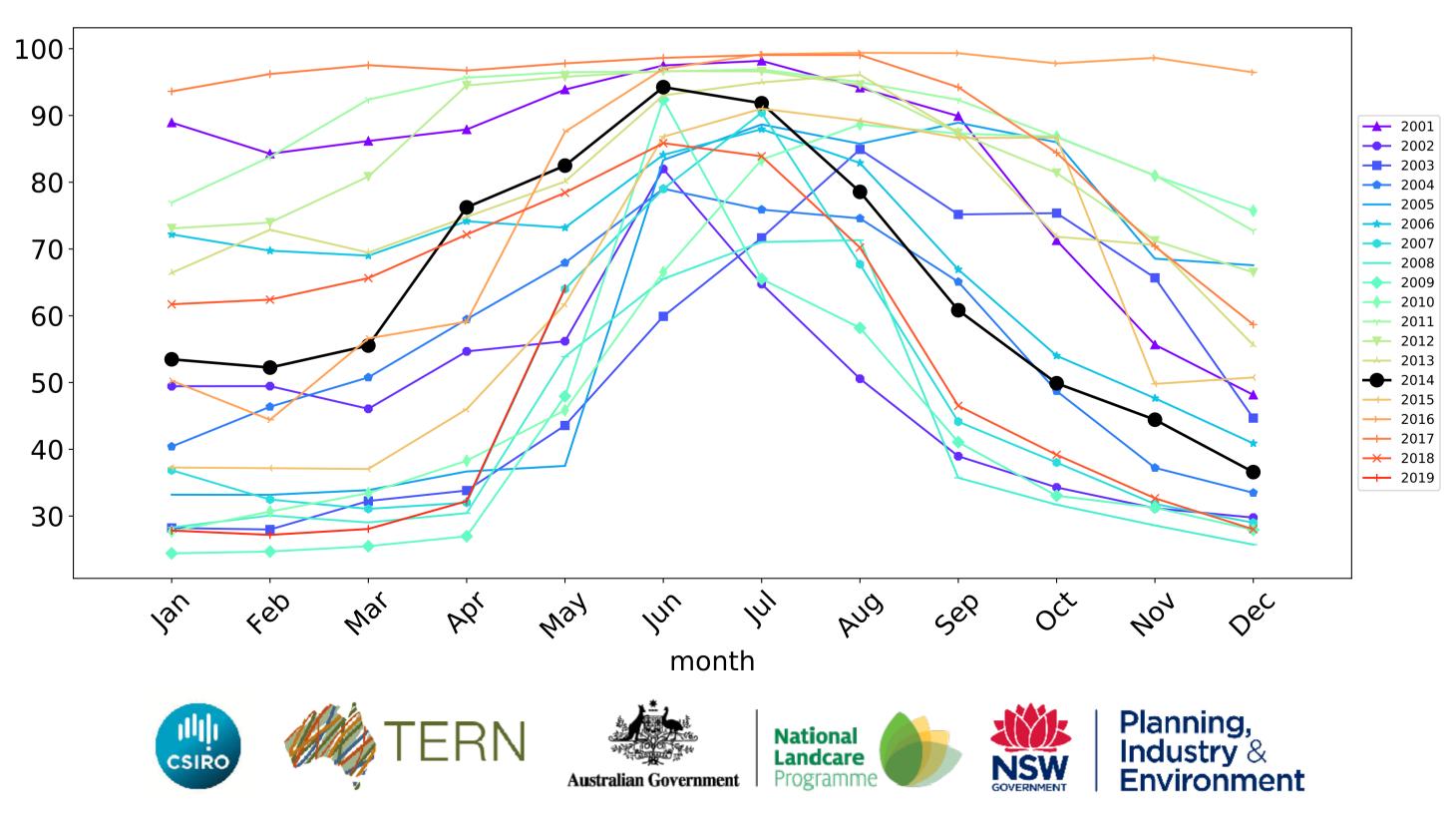
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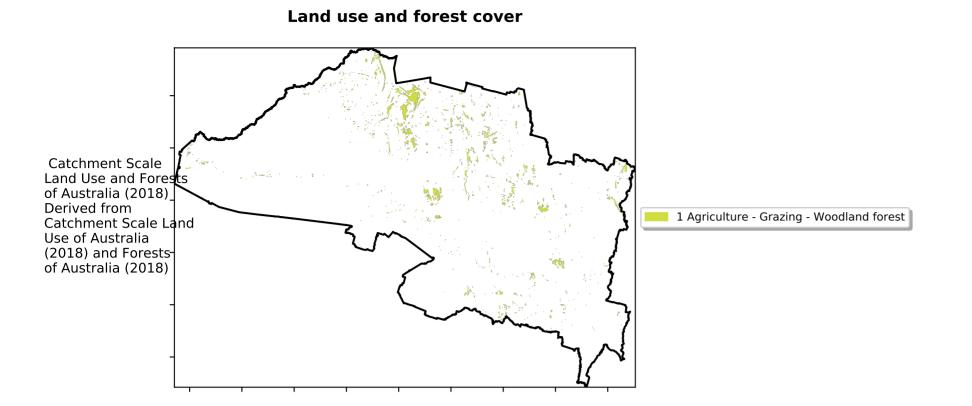


Grazing non forest timeseries

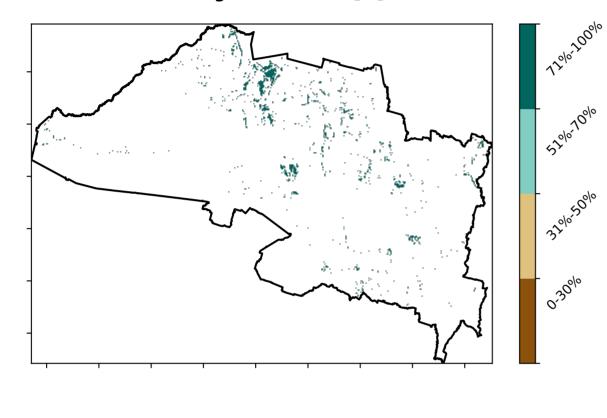
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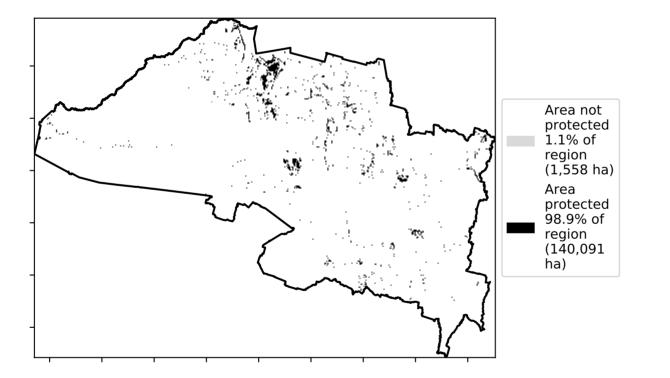
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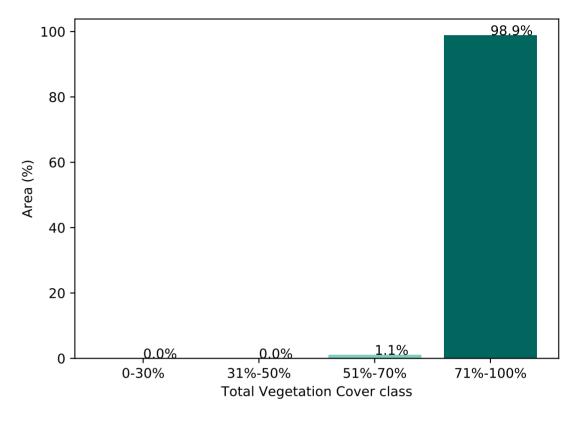
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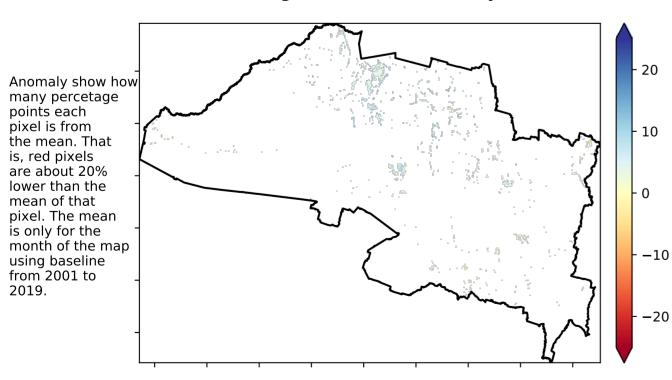
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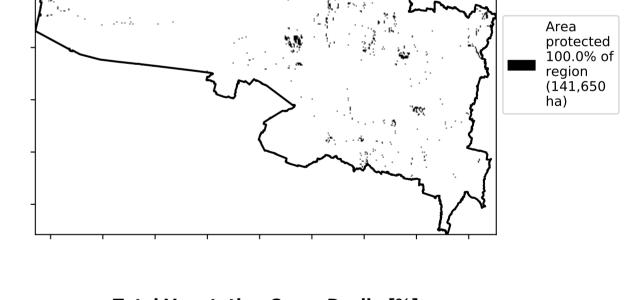
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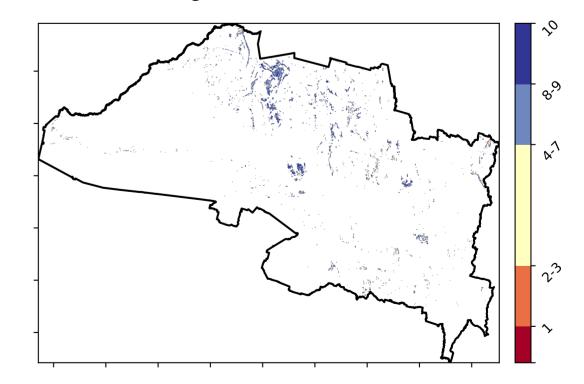
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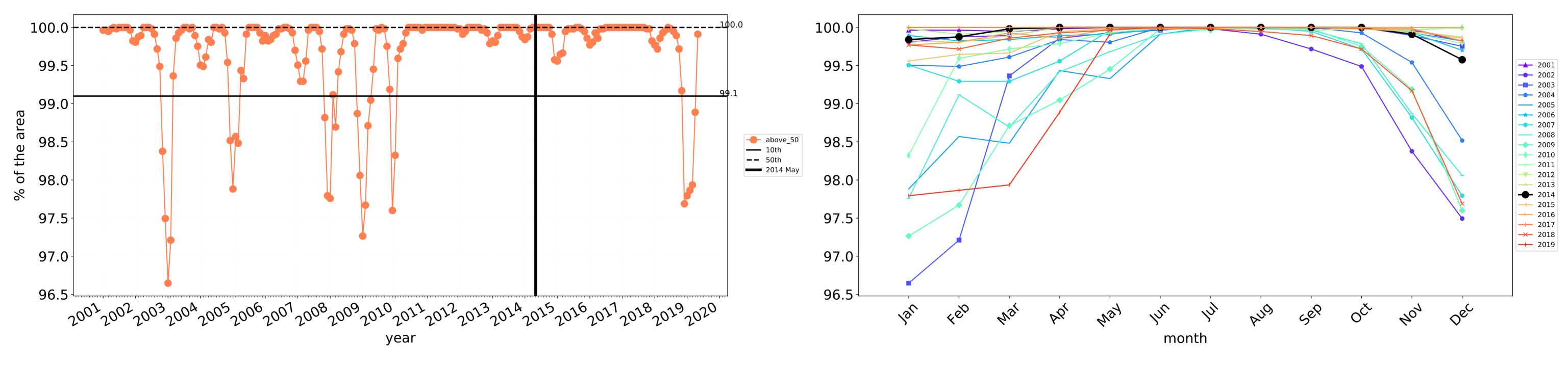


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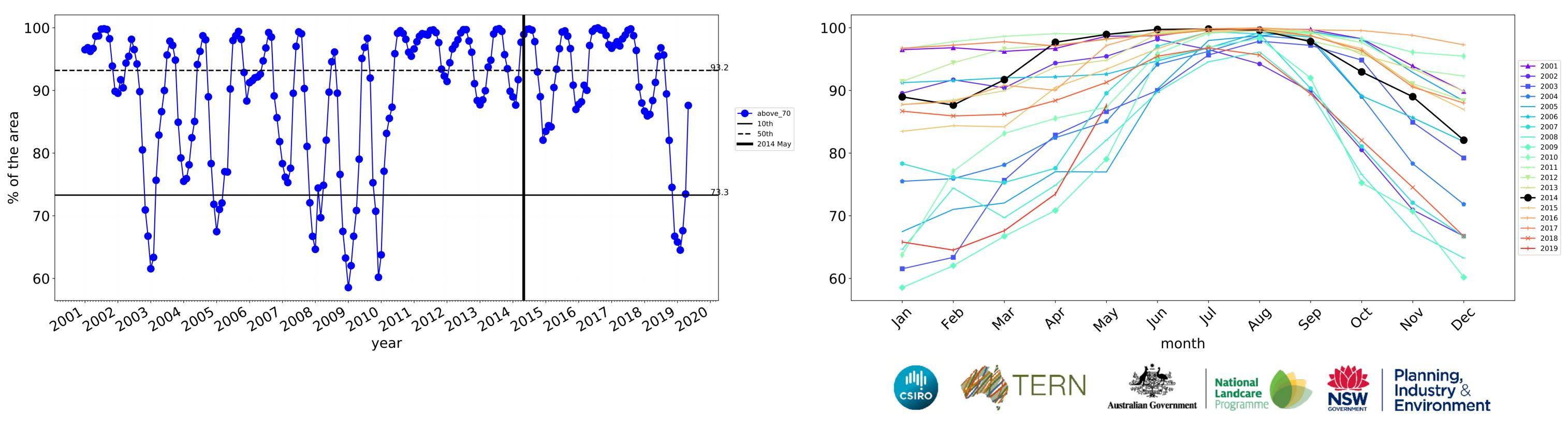


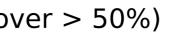
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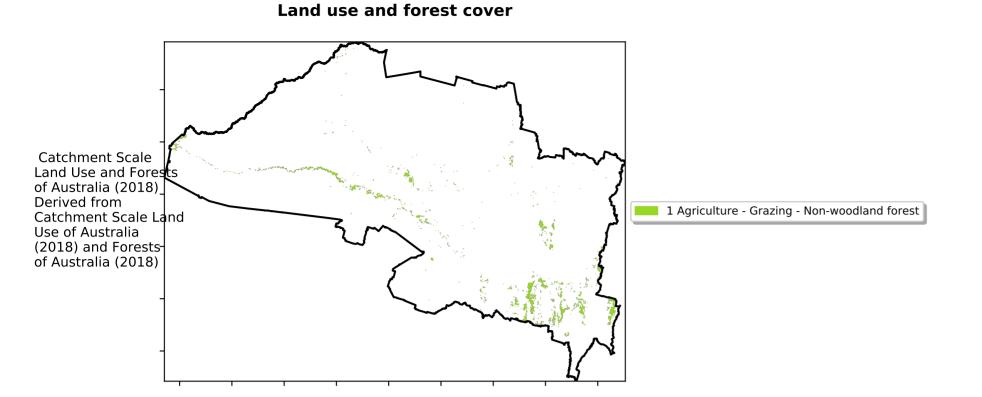




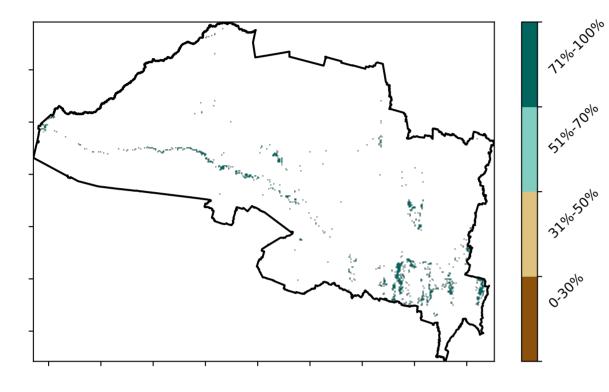
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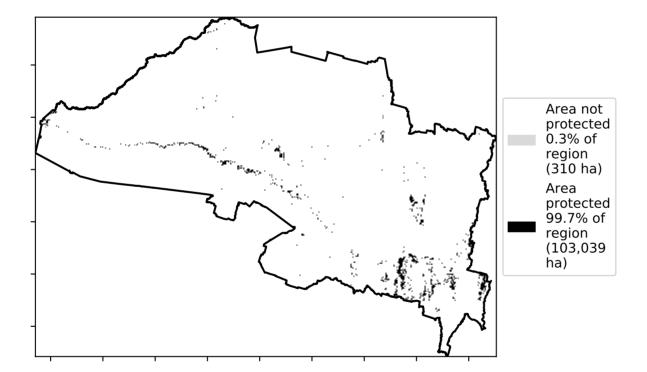
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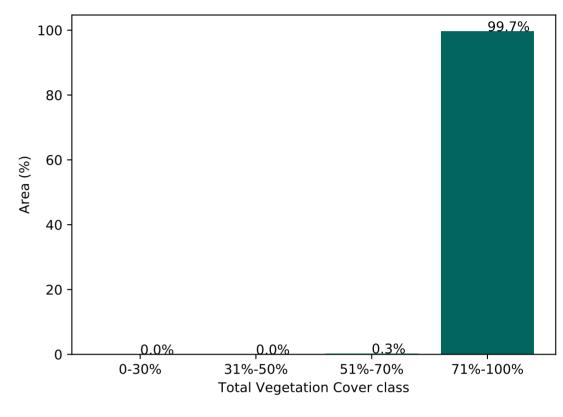
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



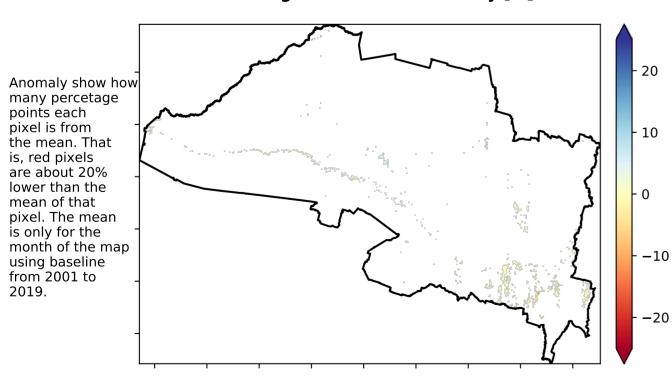
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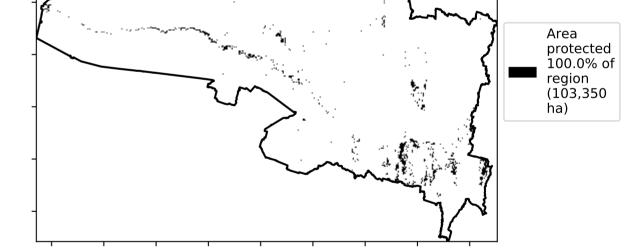
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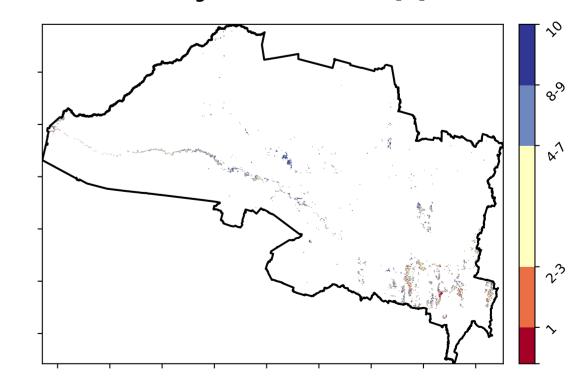
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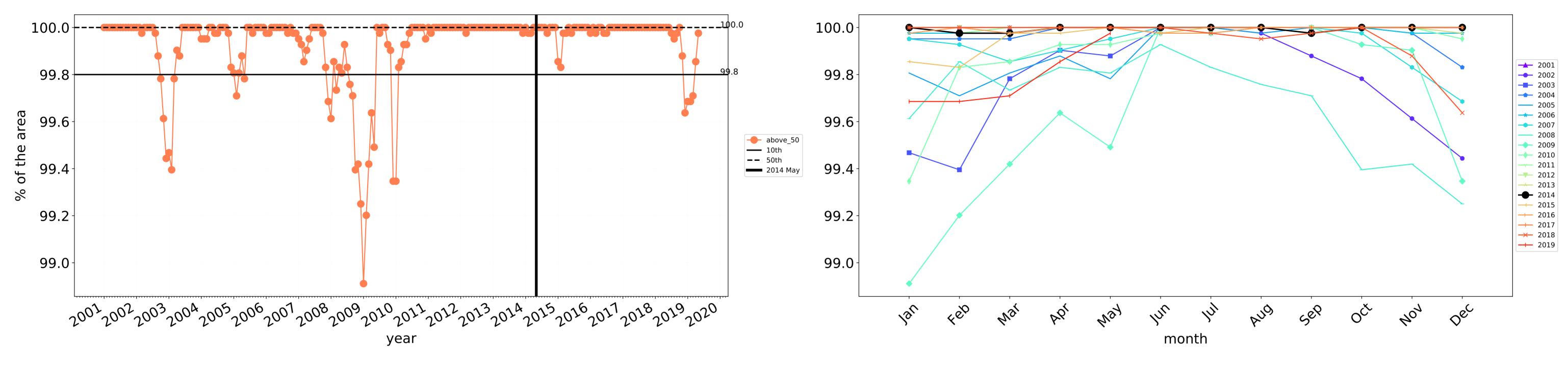


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



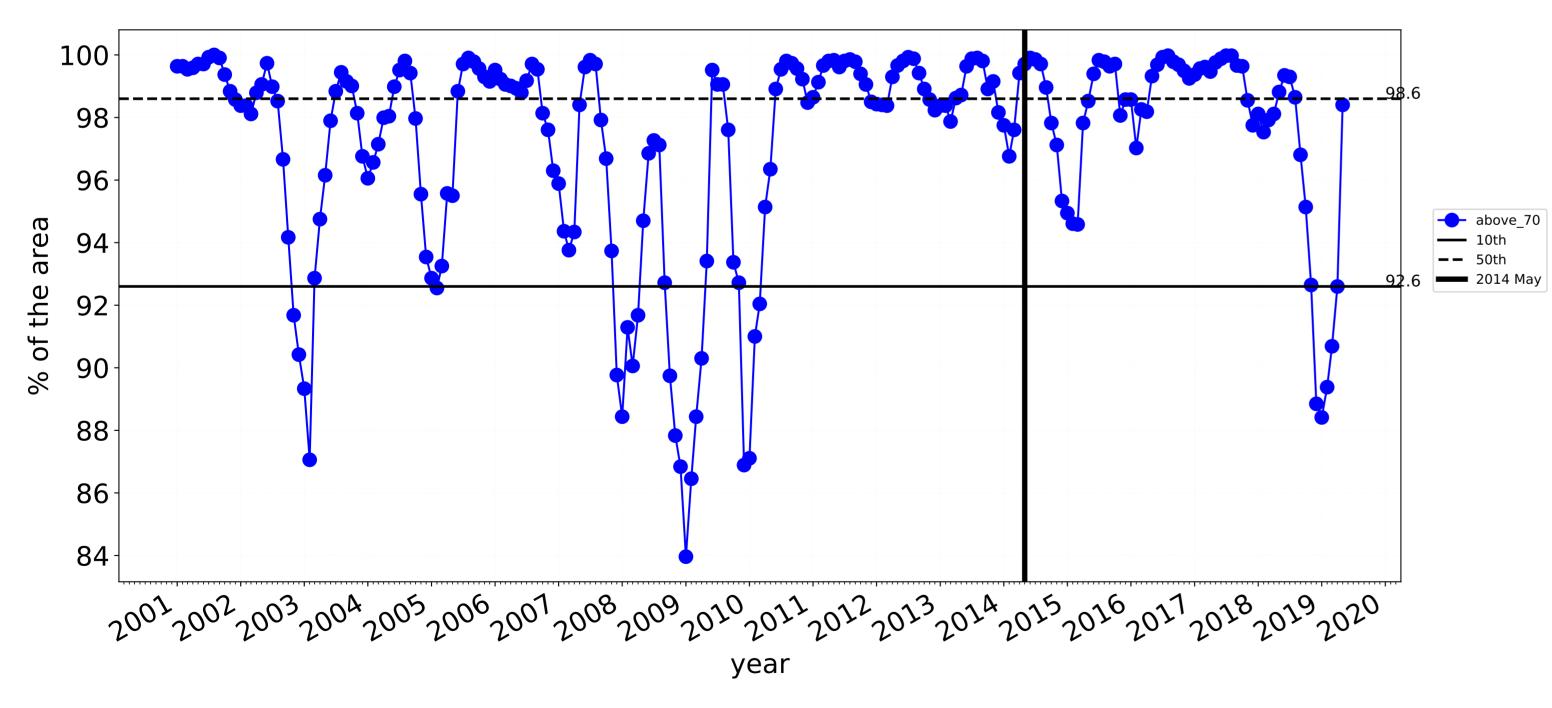


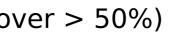
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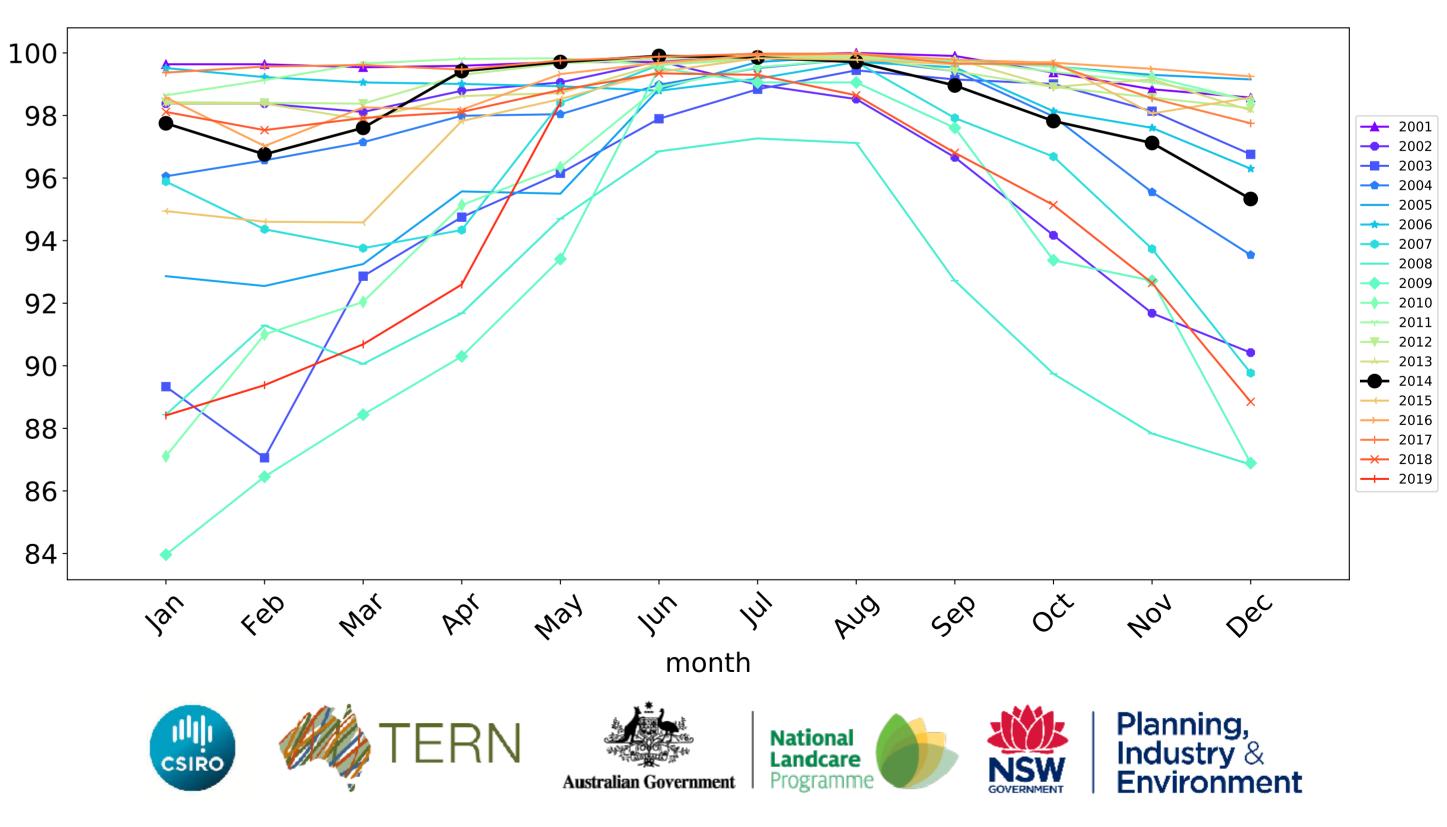
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

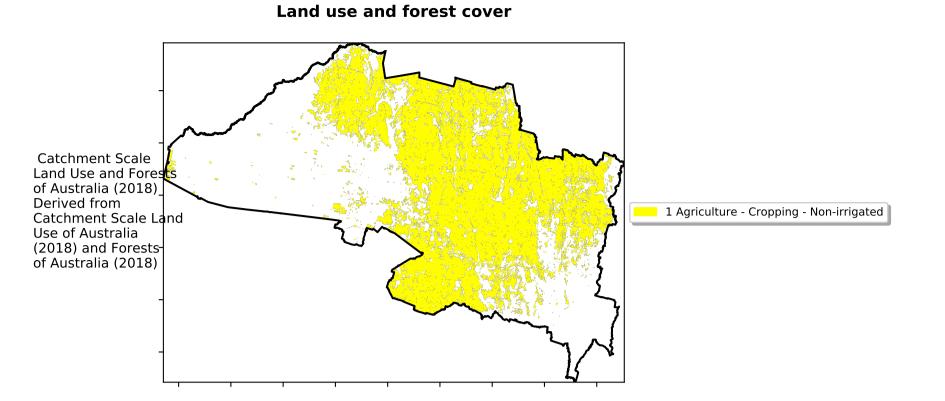




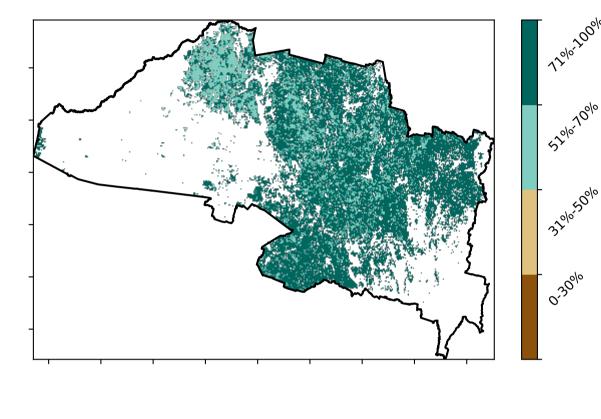
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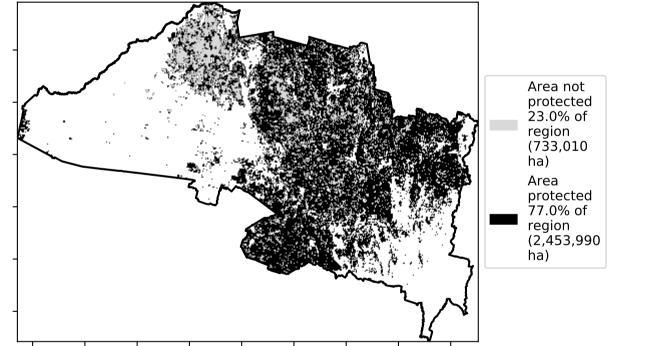
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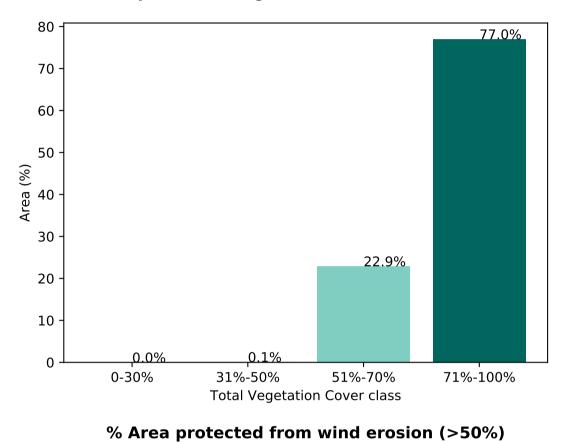
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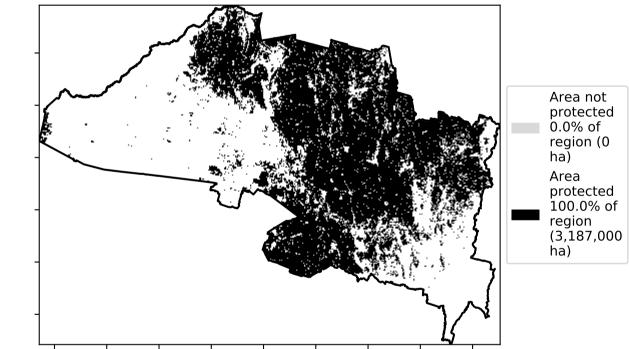


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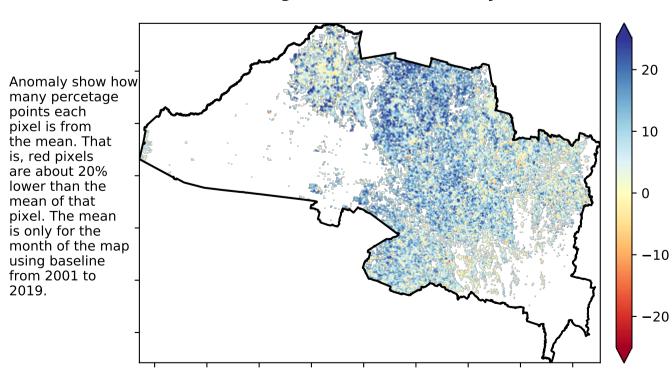




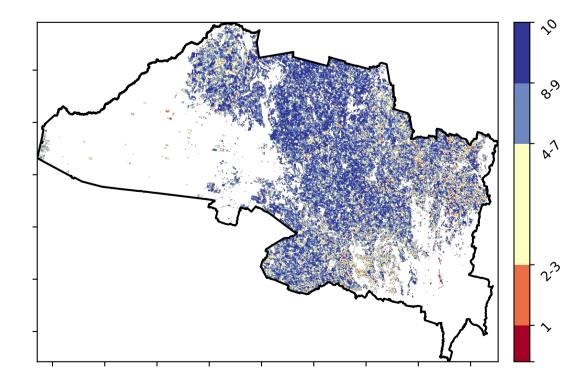




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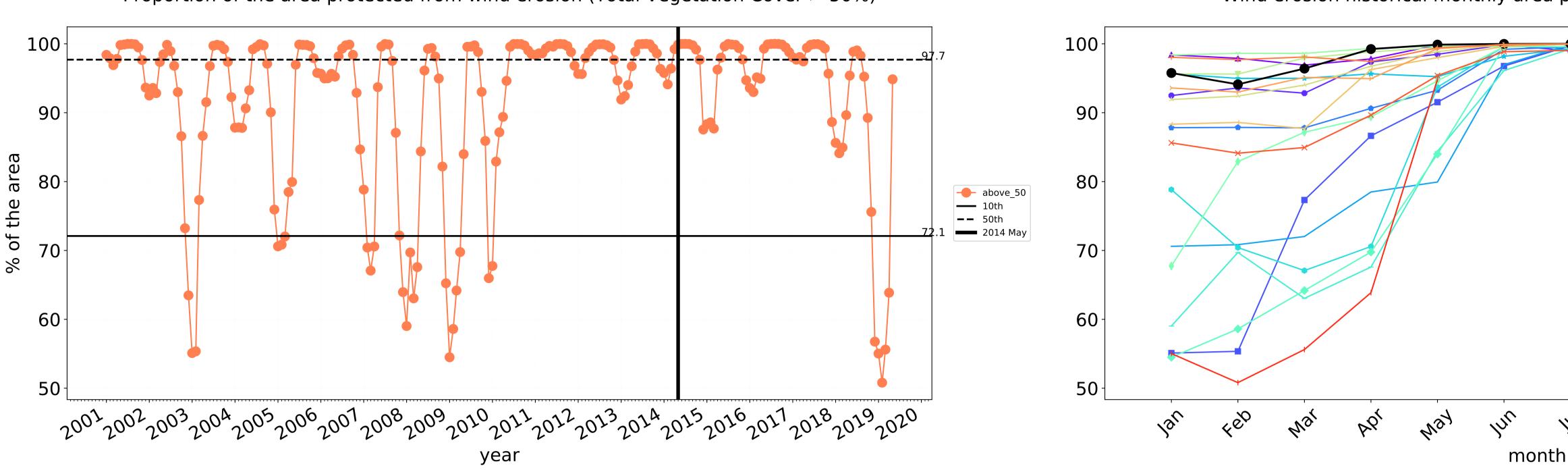
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



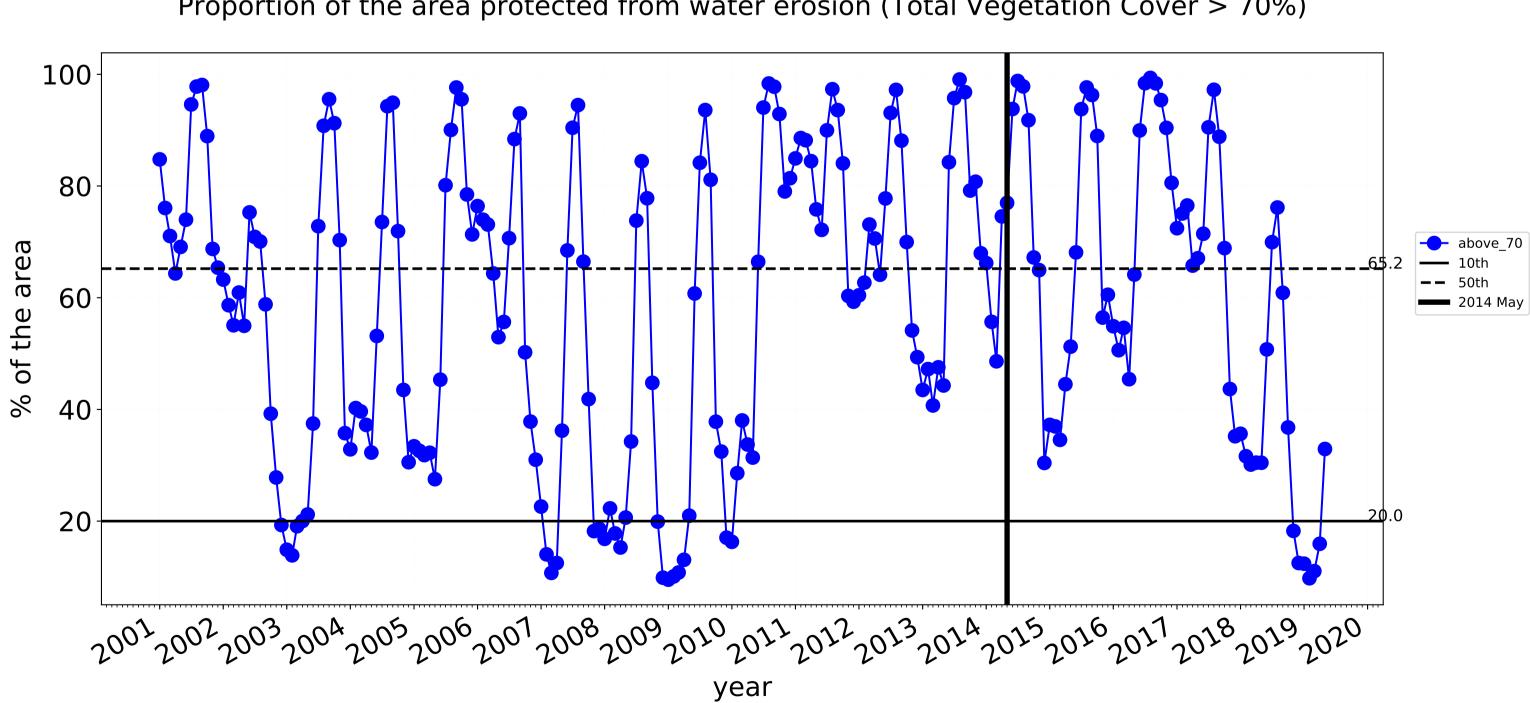


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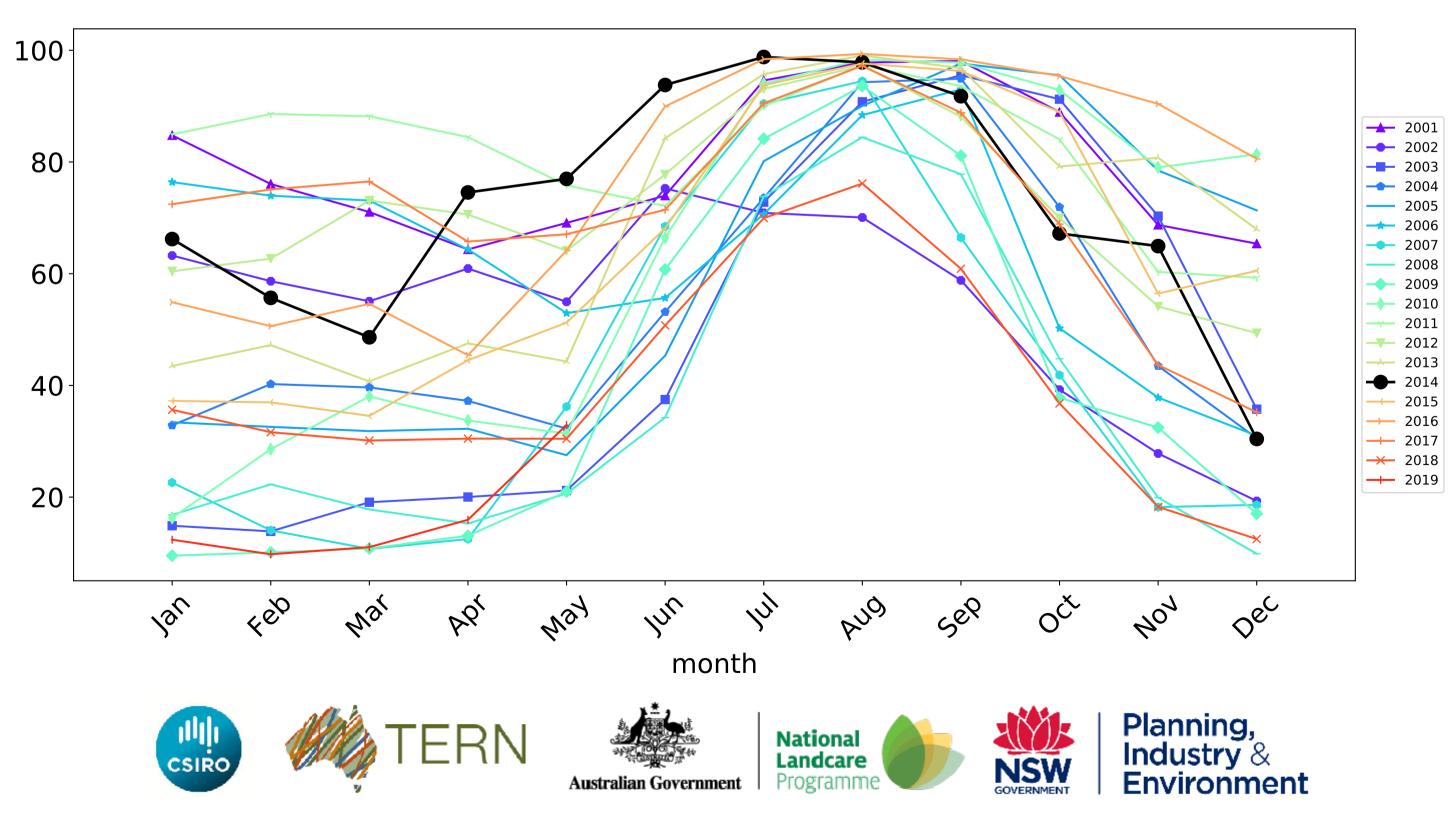
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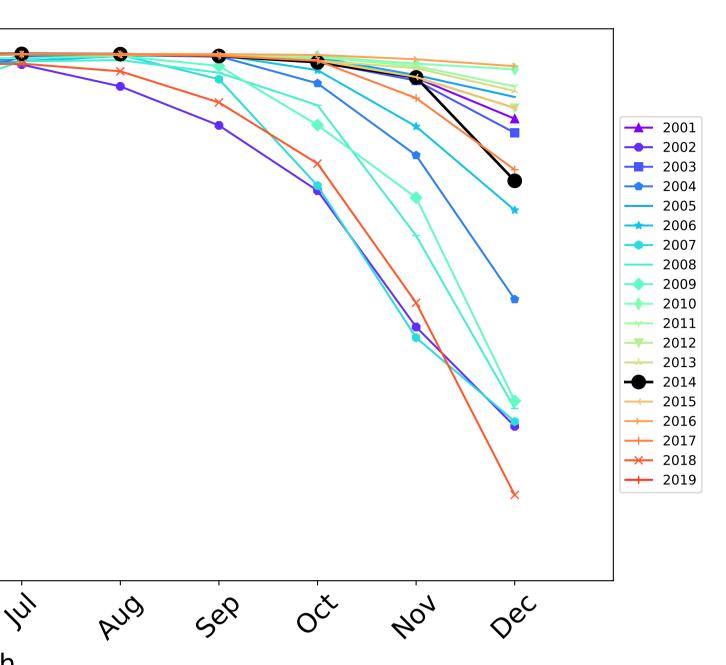


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

Cropping timeseries

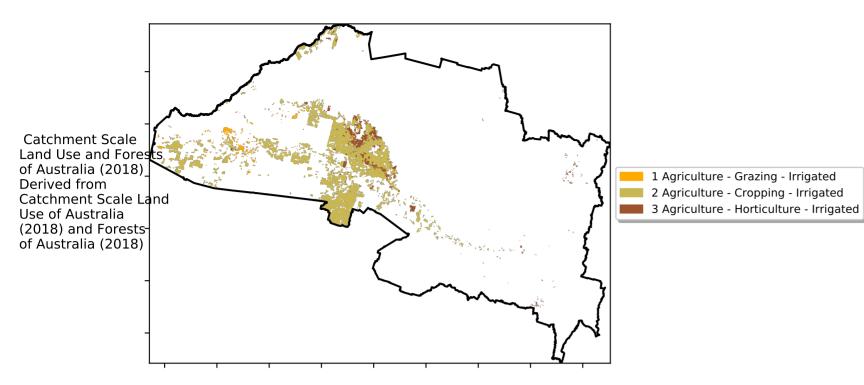
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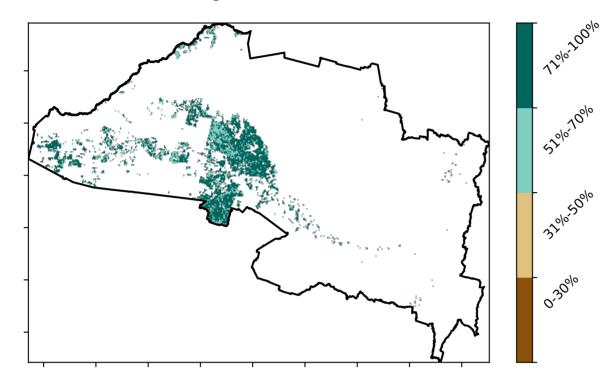


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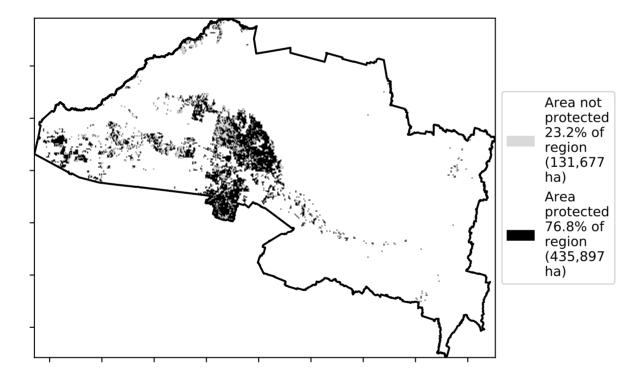
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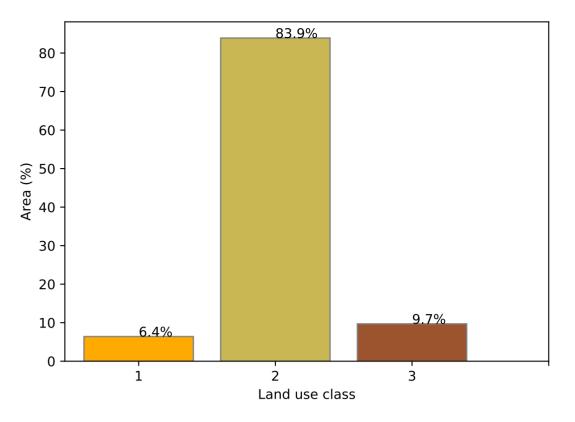


Total Vegetation Cover [%]



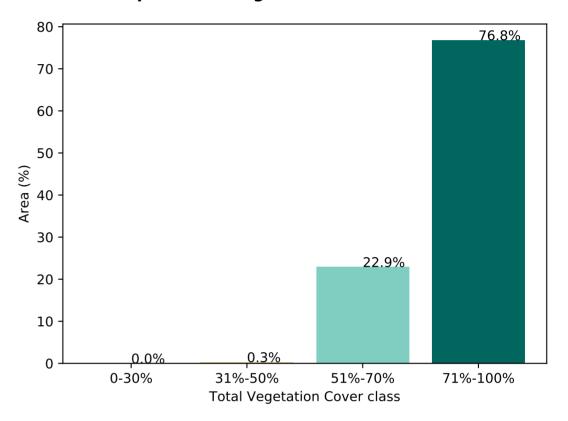
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



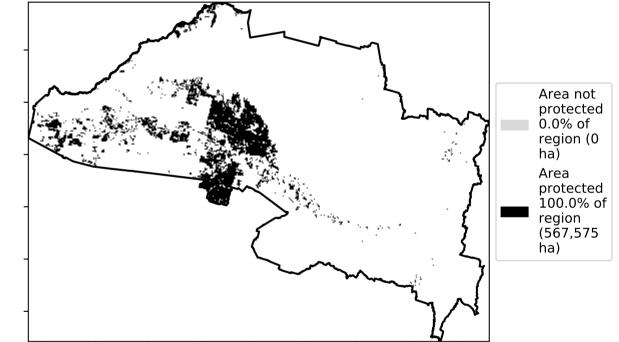


Proportion of each land class in area

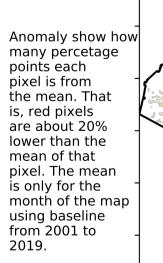
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

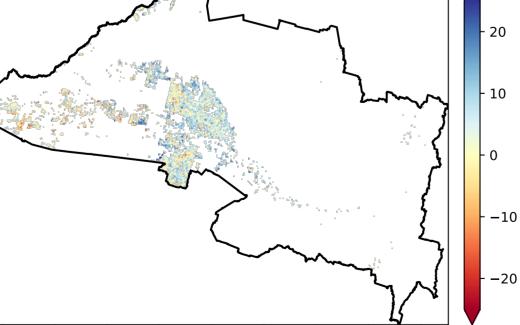


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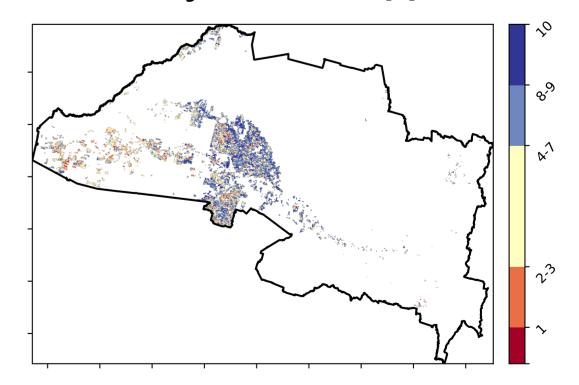


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

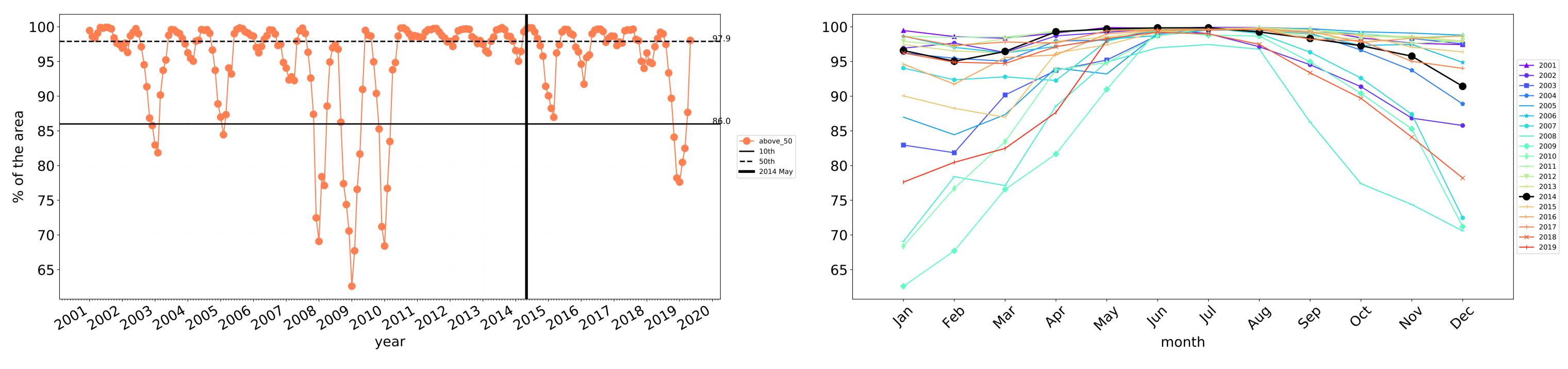




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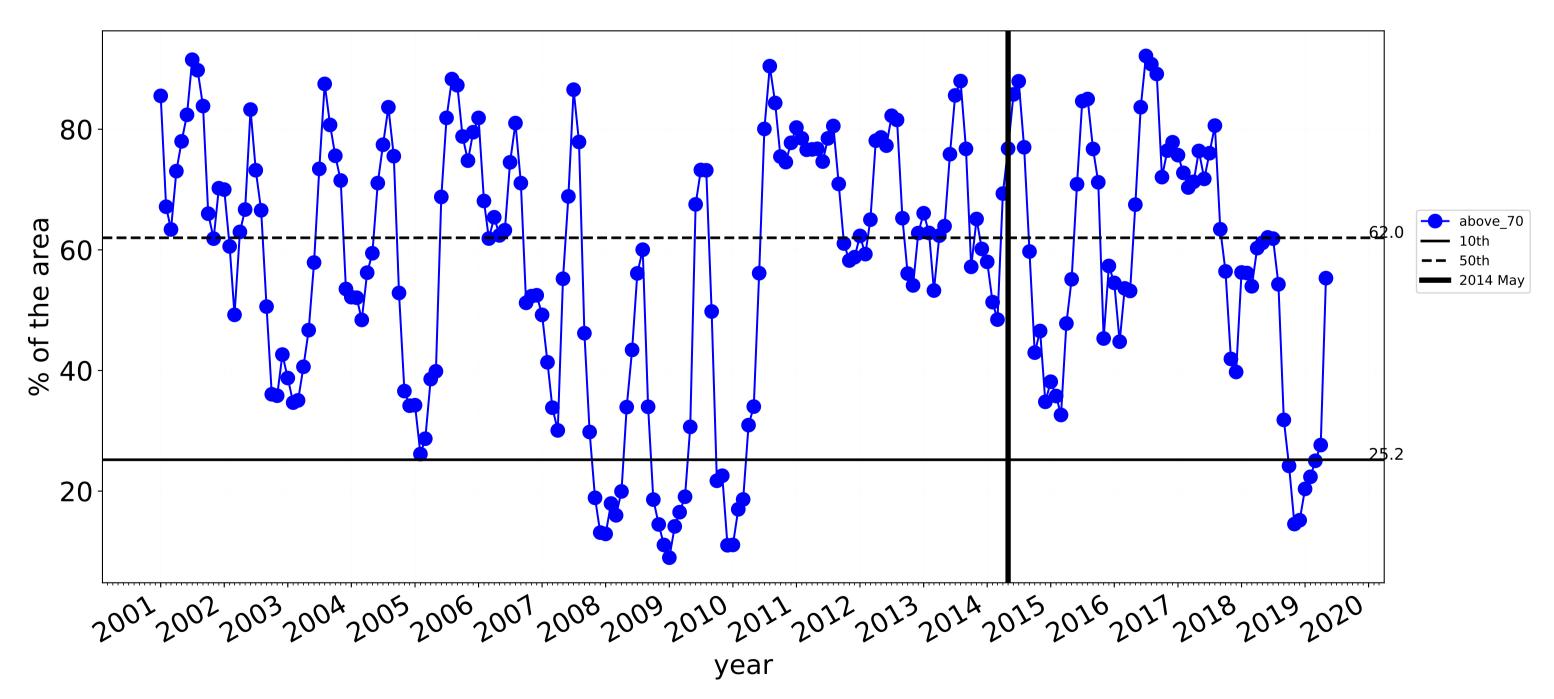






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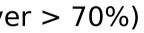
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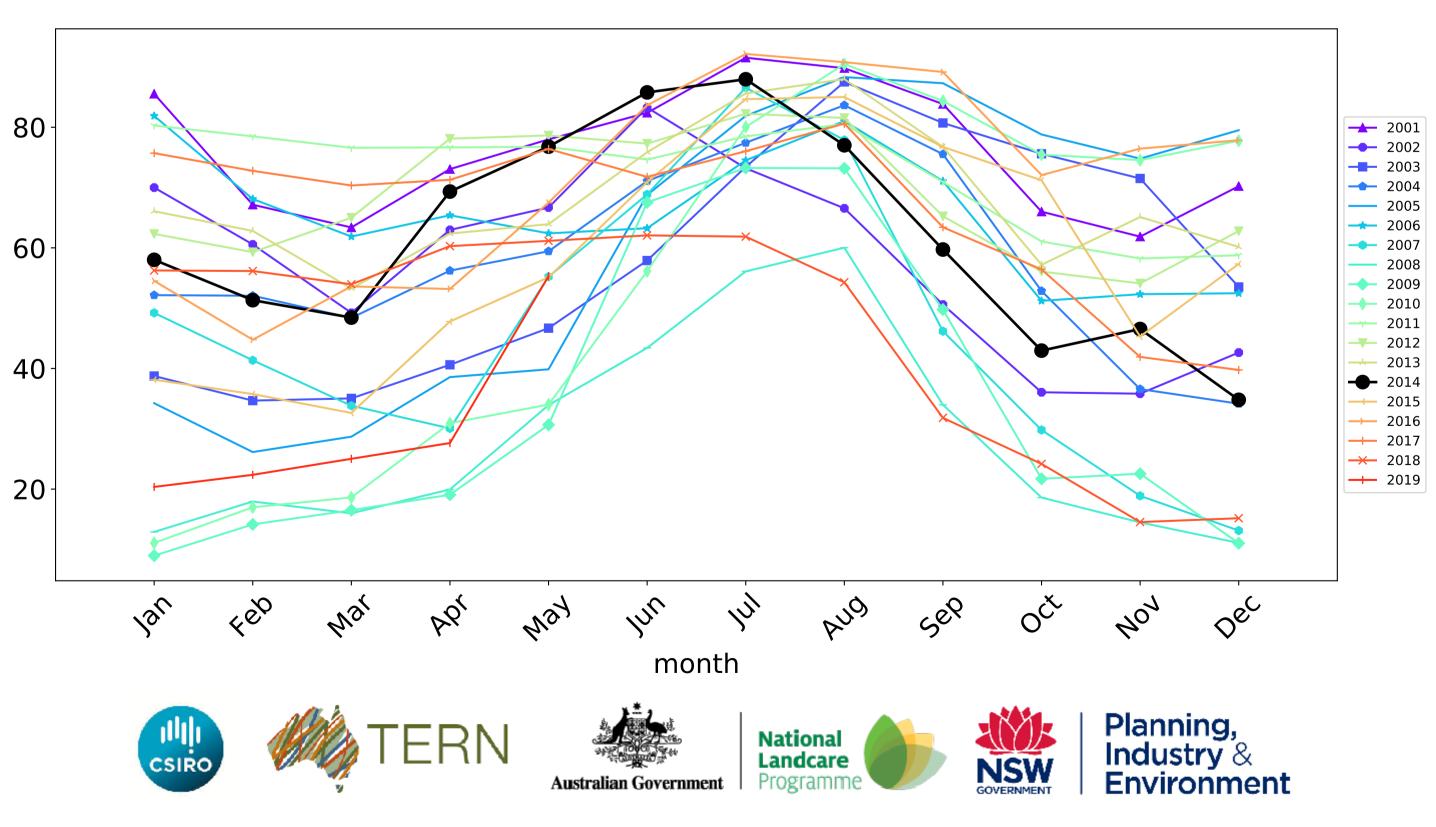
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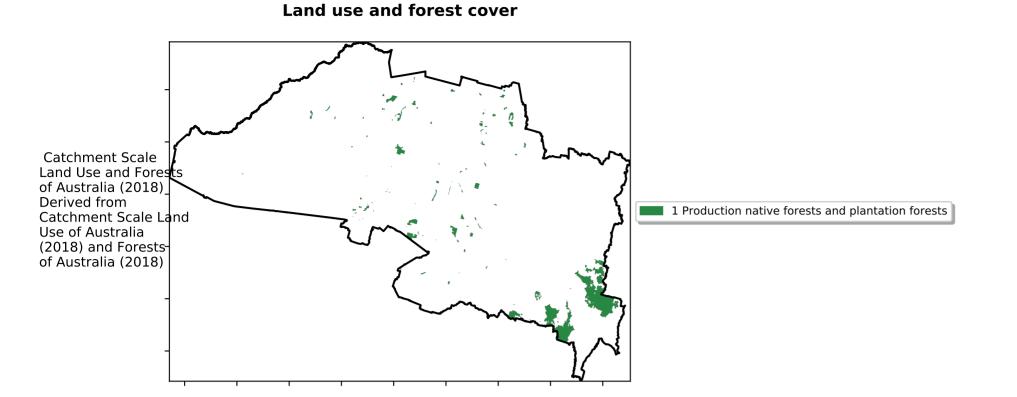
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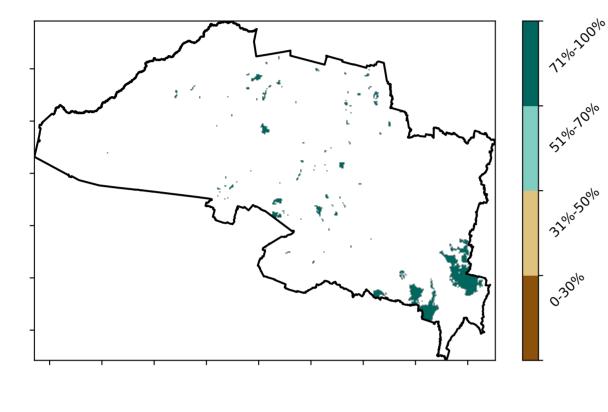
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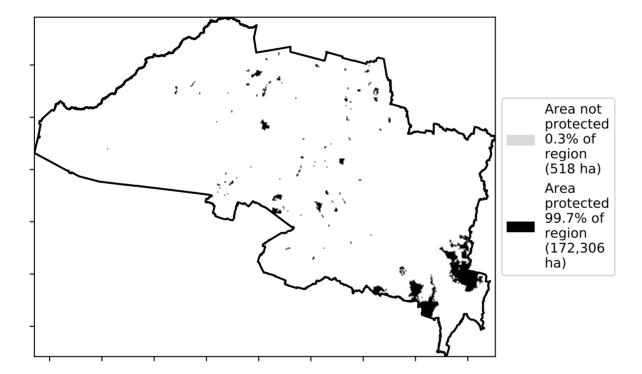
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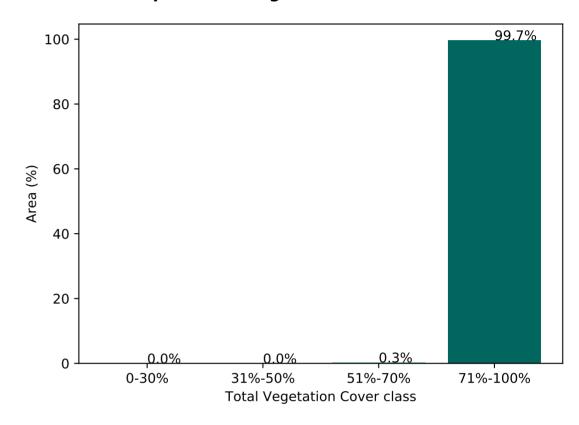
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



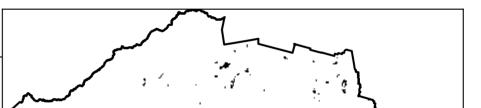
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



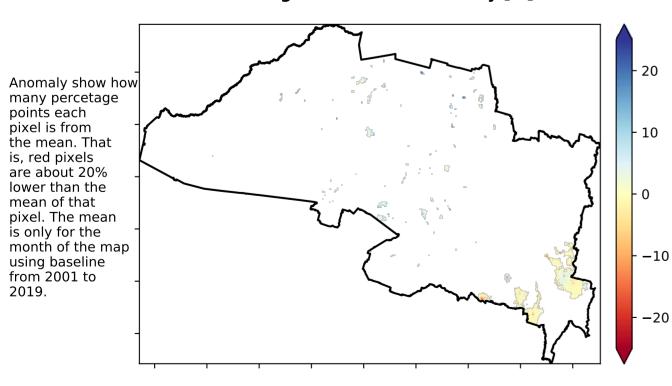




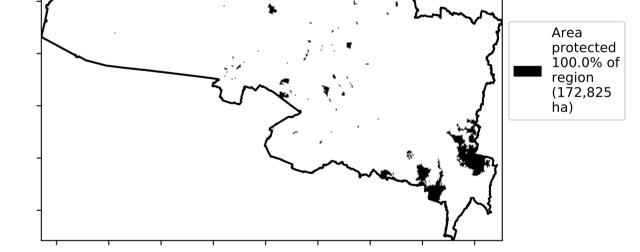
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

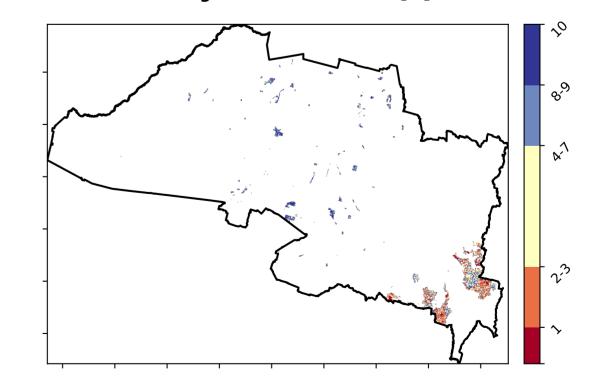


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

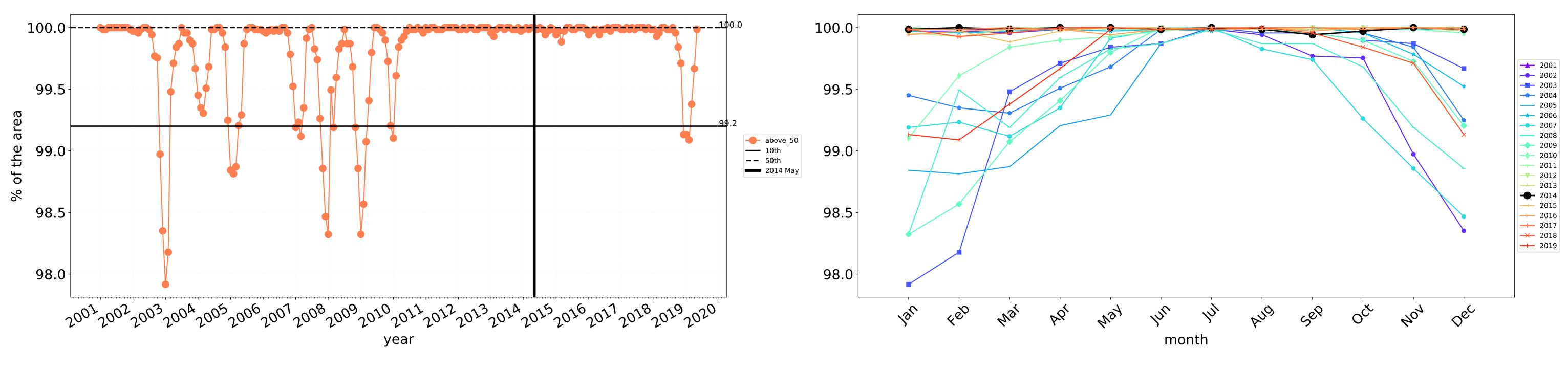


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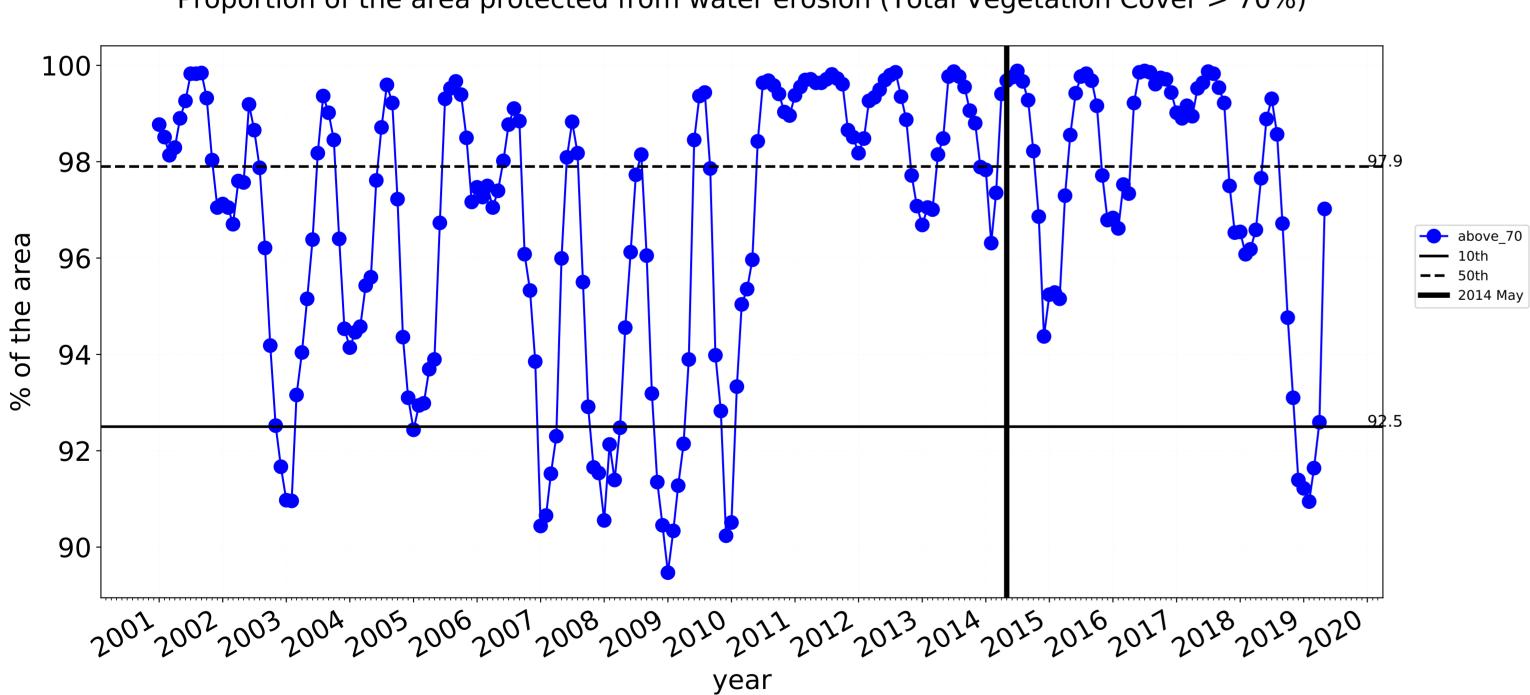






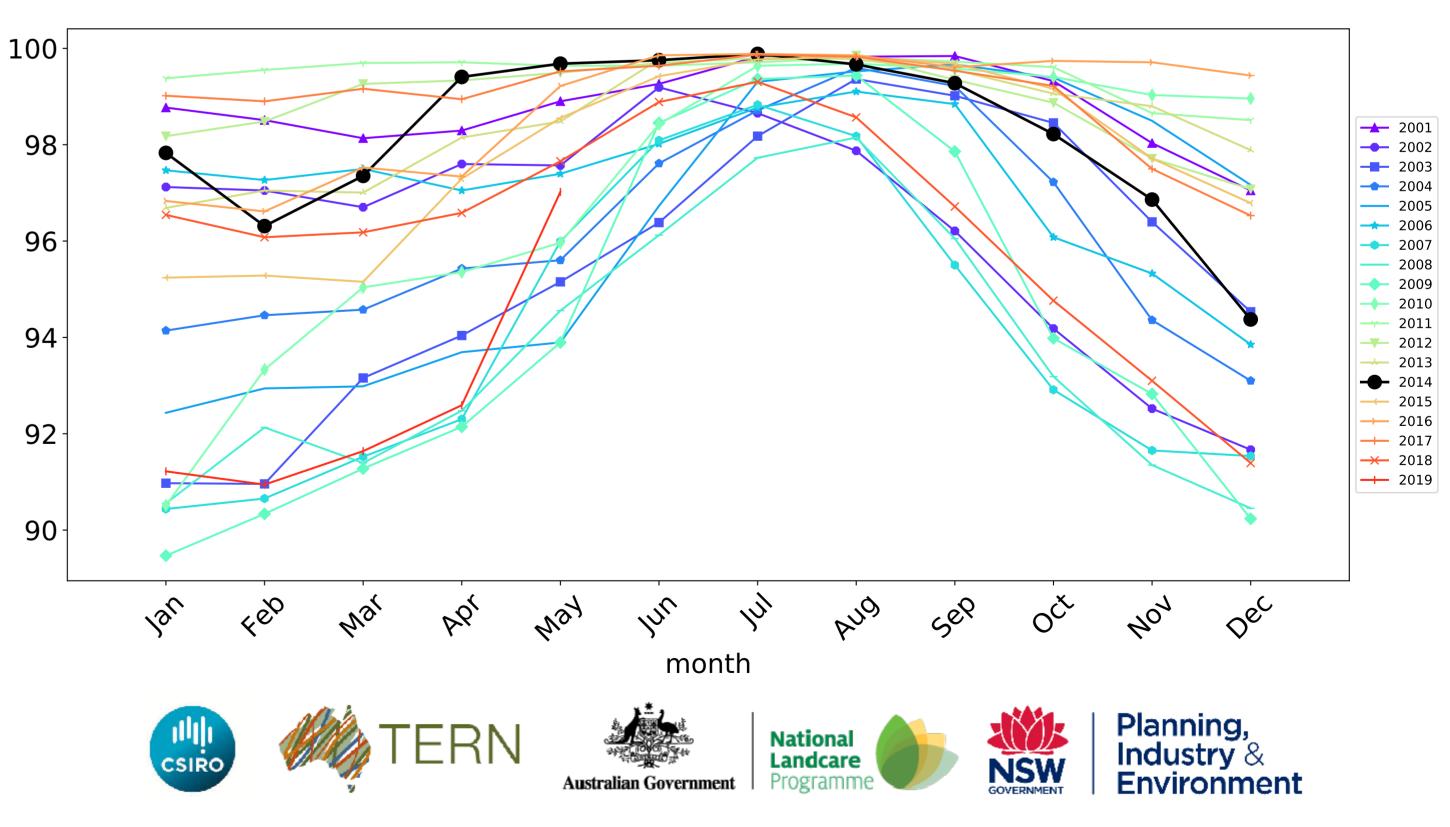


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Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



Riverina (6,613,050 ha and no data 95,285 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	6,613,050	100.0% 6,611,864	99.7% 6,595,270	81.1% 5,363,660	53.3% 3,522,567	20.0% 1,323,642	7.0% 459,964
Conservation and natural environments	323,150	100.0% 323,150	100.0% 323,100	97.3% 314,575	86.2% 278,700	71.0% 229,500	36.2% 117,025
Conservation and natural environments non forest	83,350	100.0% 83,350	99.9% 83,300	90.1% 75,075	48.7% 40,575	18.4% 15,325	5.4% 4,475
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	195,300	100.0% 195,300	100.0% 195,300	99.9% 195,200	99.7% 194,700	93.2% 182,100	53.1% 103,625
Agriculture	6,068,000	100.0% 6,067,250	99.7% 6,052,175	79.7% 4,837,700	50.4% 3,055,600	15.8% 960,700	4.2% 255,525
Grazing	2,311,600	100.0% 2,311,025	99.6% 2,301,450	84.3% 1,947,925	58.2% 1,346,300	24.6% 568,175	6.7% 155,200
Grazing non forest	2,066,600	100.0% 2,066,025	99.5% 2,056,450	82.5% 1,704,725	54.2% 1,120,175	20.5% 424,425	5.5% 113,225
Grazing Woodland forest	141,650	100.0% 141,650	100.0% 141,650	98.9% 140,150	90.0% 127,450	51.5% 72,975	12.6% 17,800
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	103,350	100.0% 103,350	100.0% 103,350	99.7% 103,050	95.5% 98,675	68.5% 70,775	23.4% 24,175
Cropping	3,187,000	100.0% 3,186,950	99.9% 3,183,150	77.0% 2,453,300	46.6% 1,485,450	11.3% 358,875	3.0% 94,600
Irrigation	567,575	100.0% 567,450	99.7% 565,800	76.8% 435,800	39.4% 223,425	5.9% 33,600	1.0% 5,725
Production native forests and plantation forests	172,825	100.0% 172,825	100.0% 172,825	99.7% 172,275	96.8% 167,275	80.2% 138,575	52.9% 91,500

