# **Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Condamine QLD**

# Date: June 2022

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:

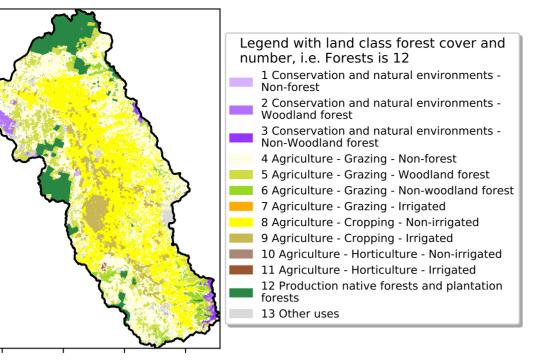
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- 3. https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pastures-and-rangelands/establishment-mgmt/production-management2/groundcover
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# **Vegetation Cover Jun 2022**

#### Land use and forest cover



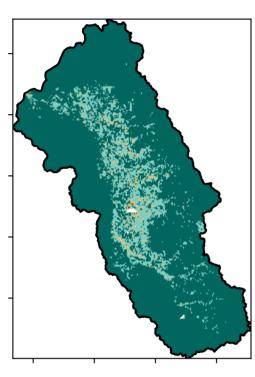
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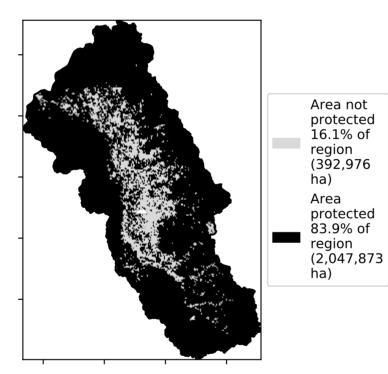
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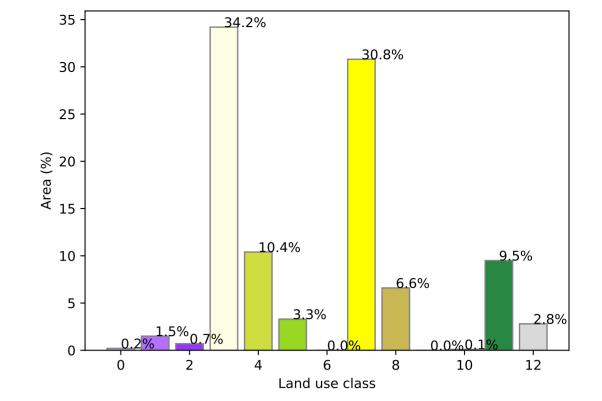
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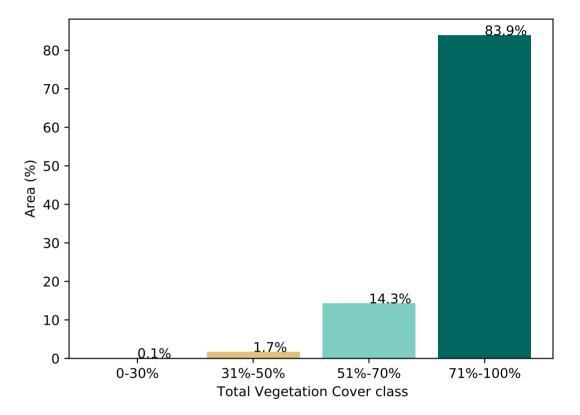


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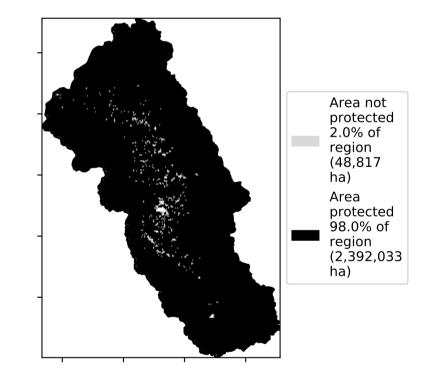




#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



#### Proportion of each land class in area

**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

Anomaly show how many percetage points each pixel is from the mean. That is, red pixels are about 20% lower than the mean of that pixel. The mean is only for the month of the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019.

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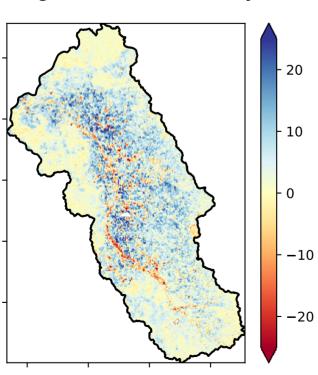
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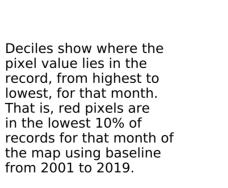
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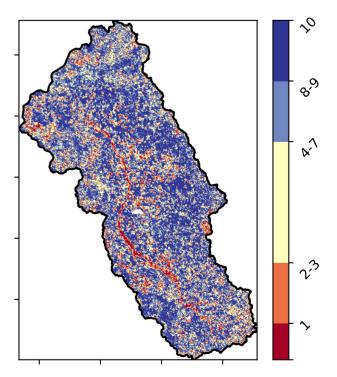
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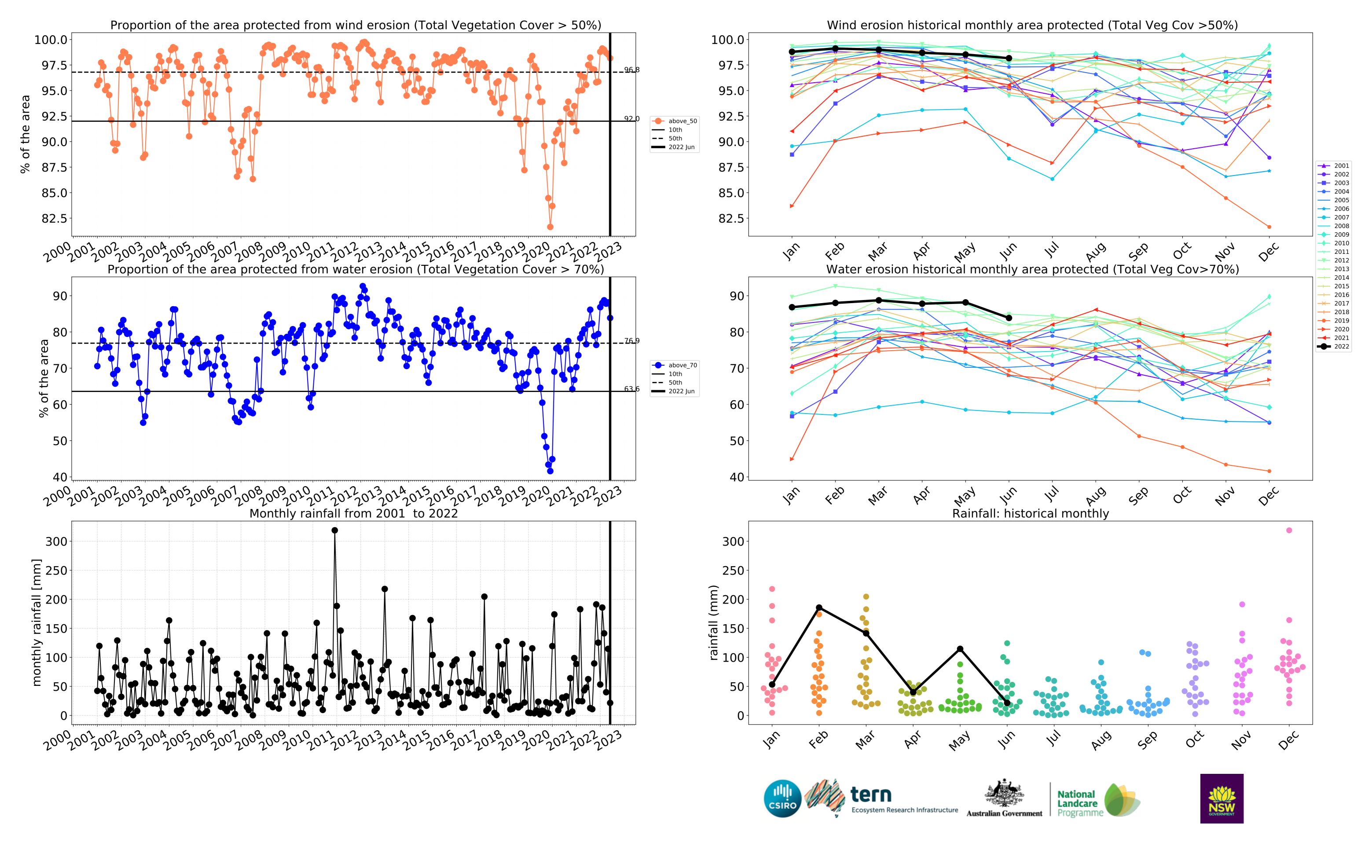




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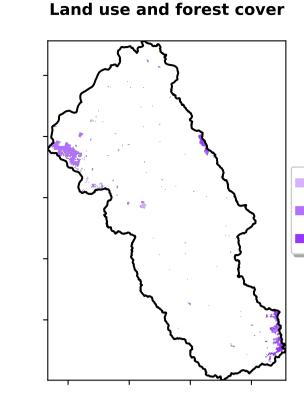




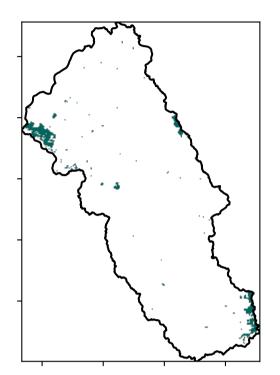
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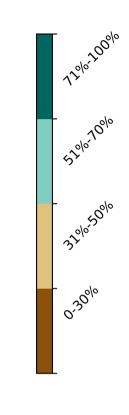
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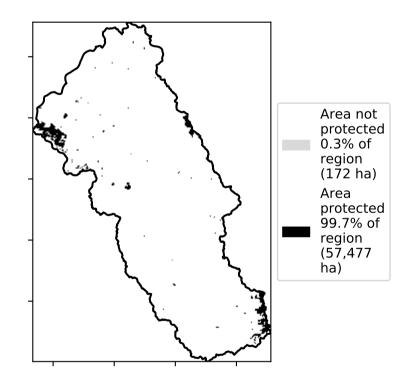


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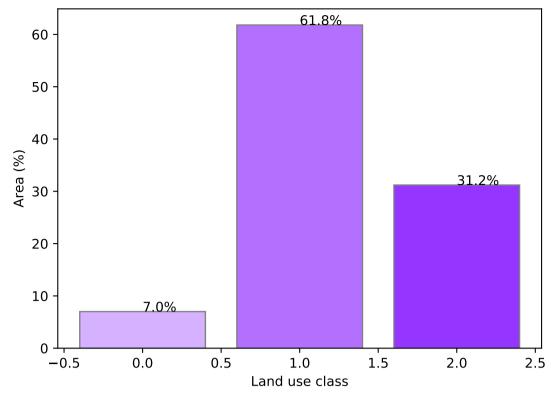
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2 Conservation and natural environments - Woodland

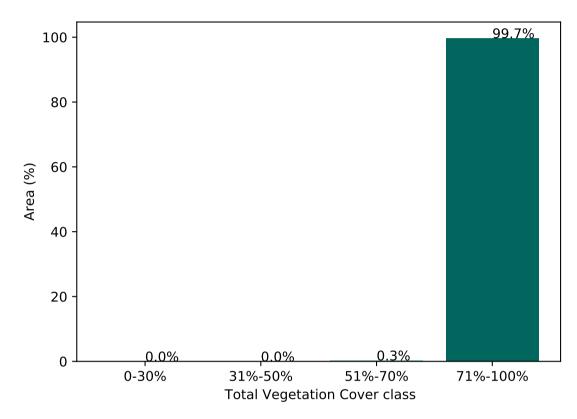
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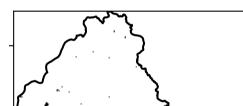




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

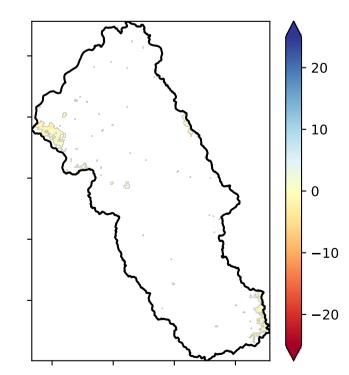


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

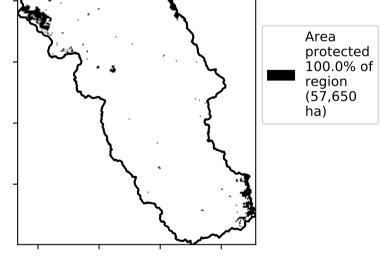


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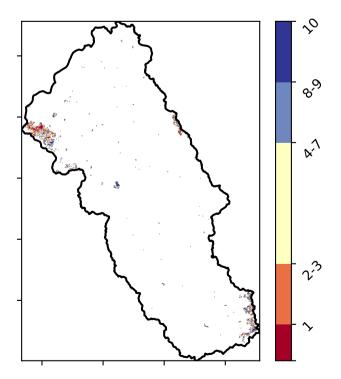
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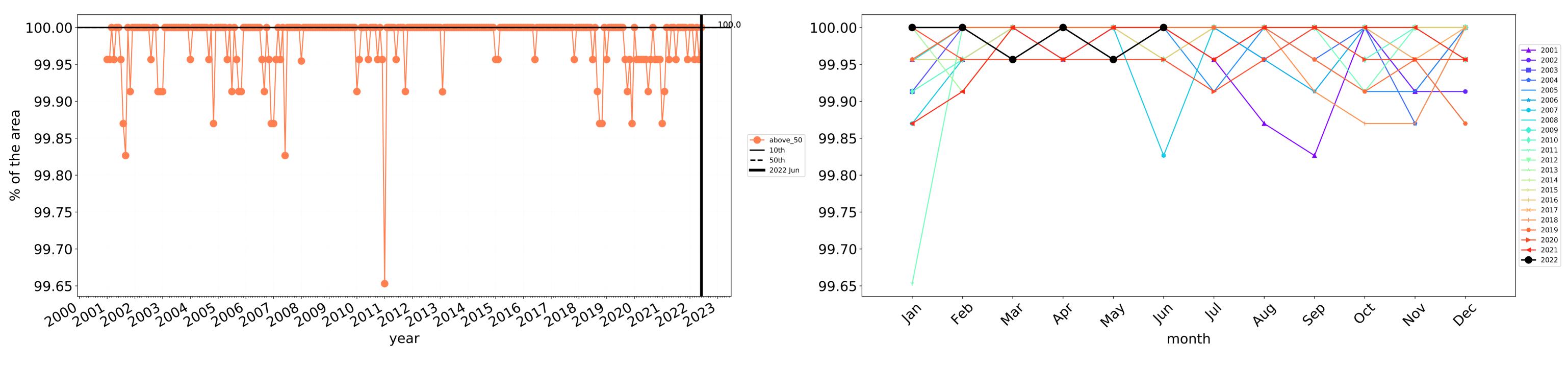
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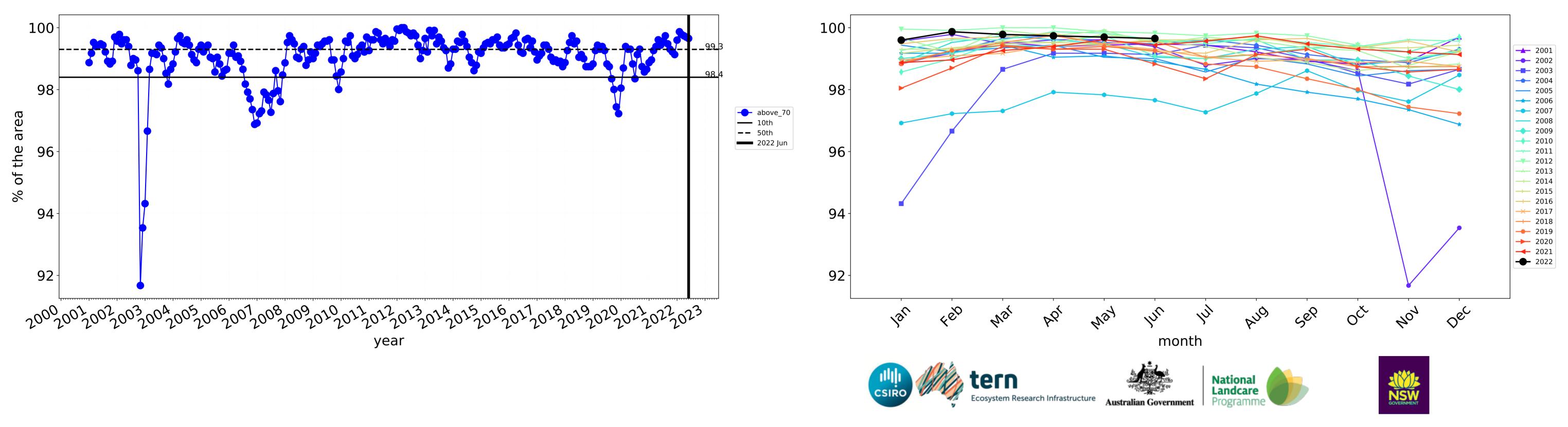






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

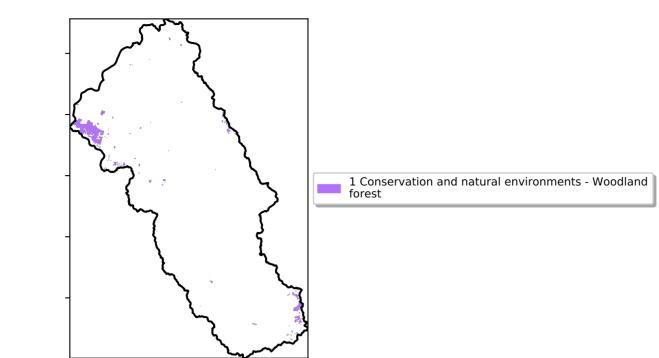


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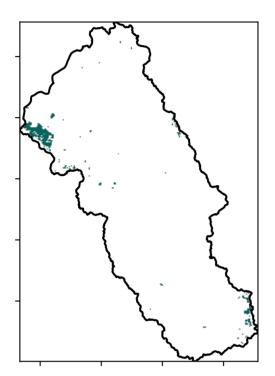
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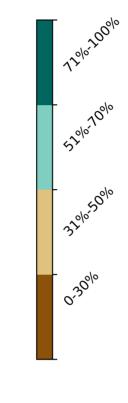
#### **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest**

Land use and forest cover

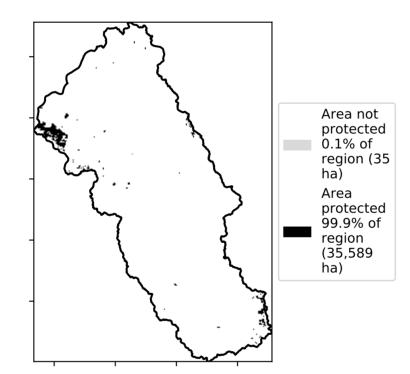


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

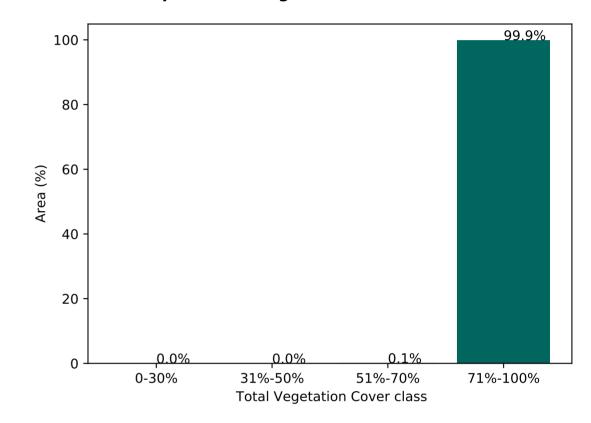




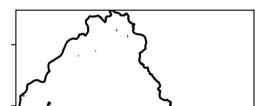
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



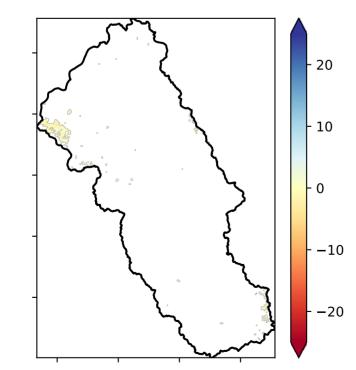
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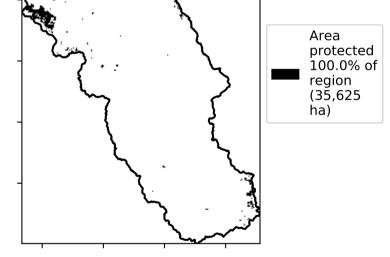
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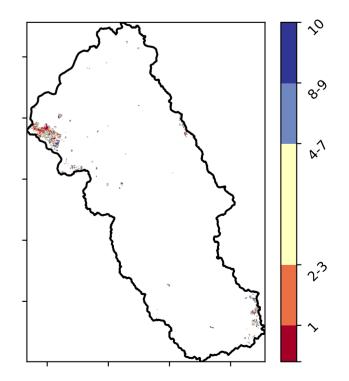
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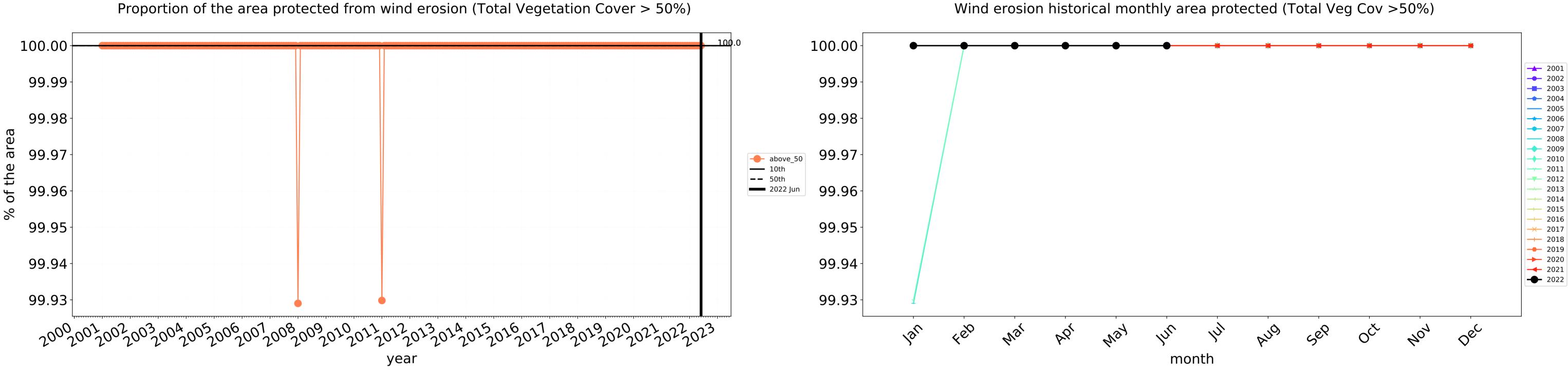


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

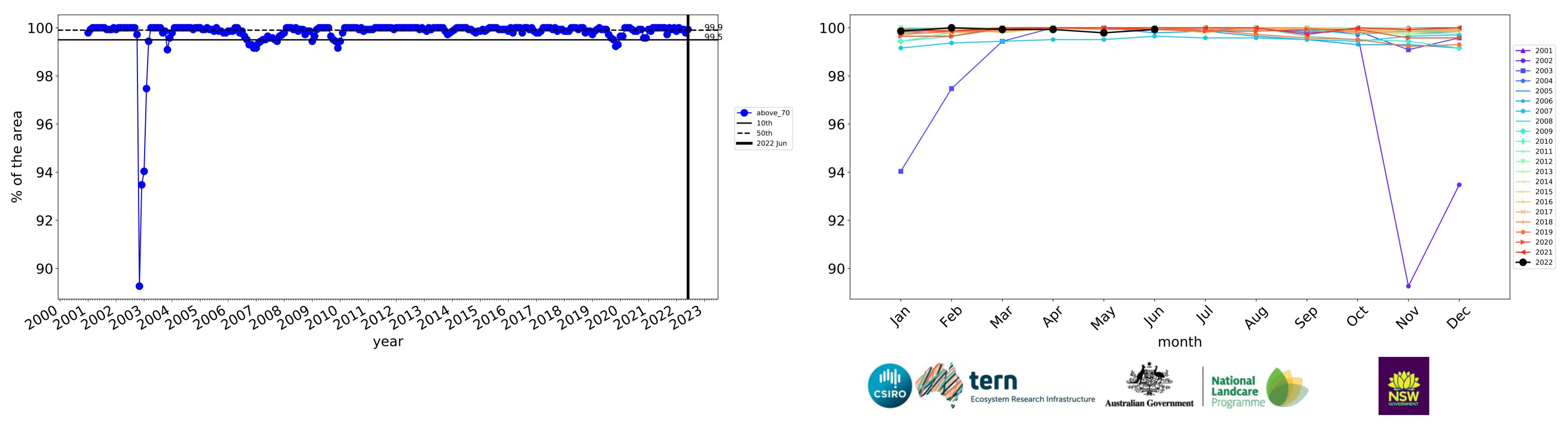




# **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries**



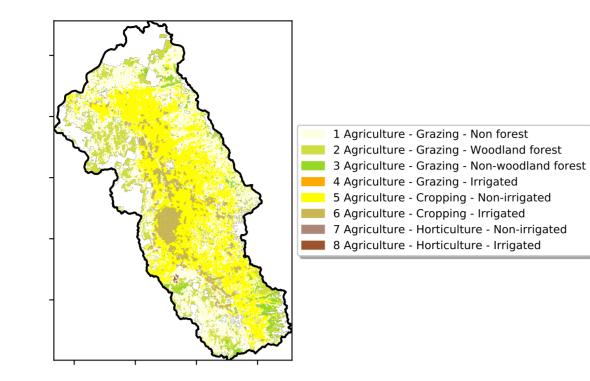
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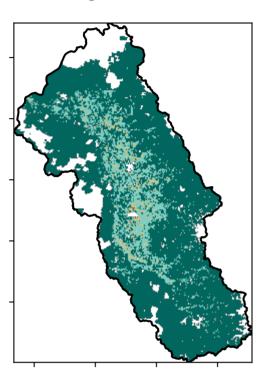
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#### Agriculture

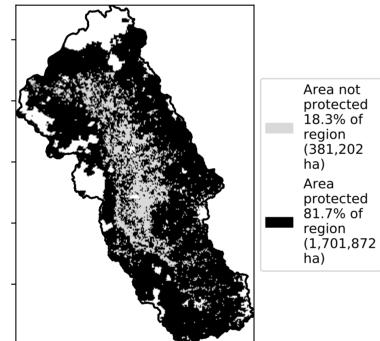
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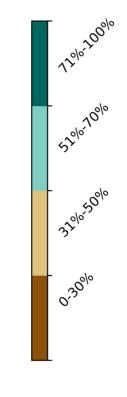


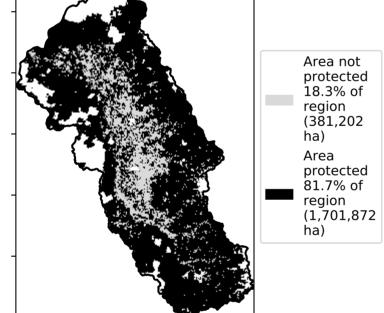
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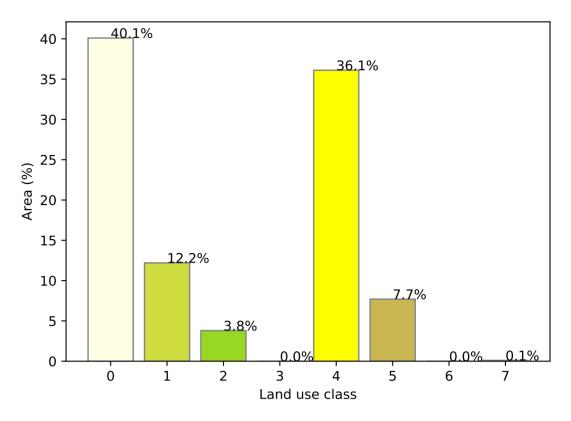
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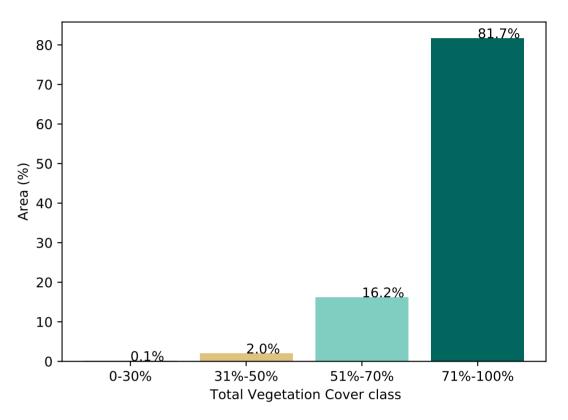




#### Proportion of each land class in area



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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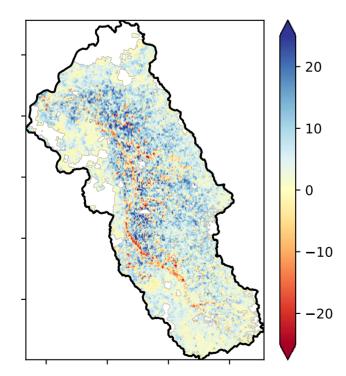
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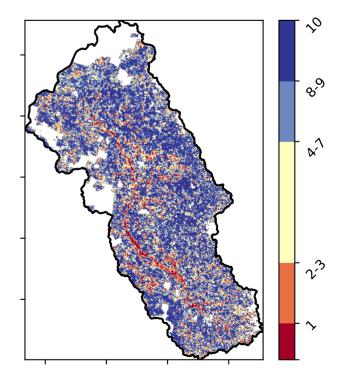
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





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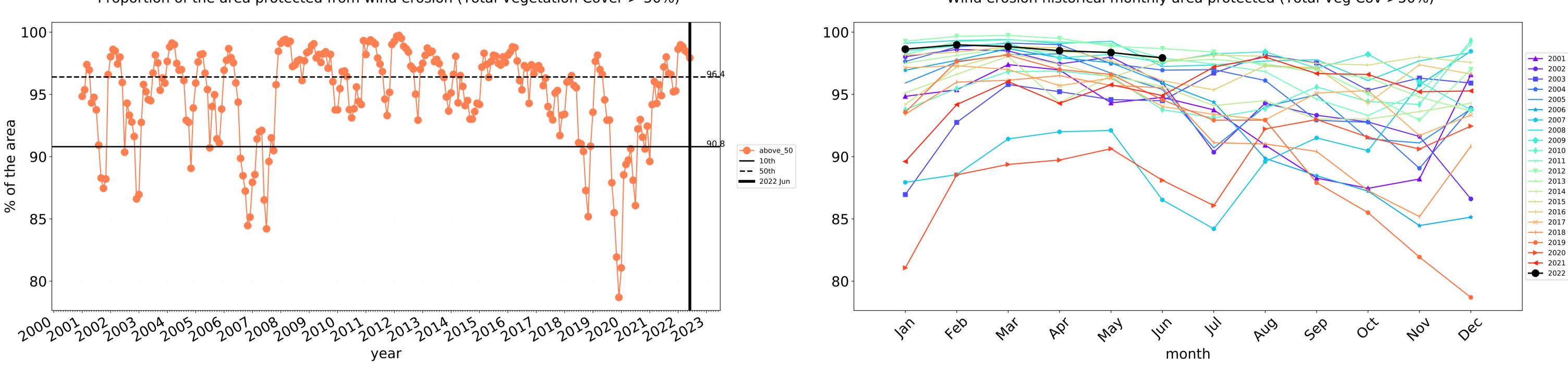
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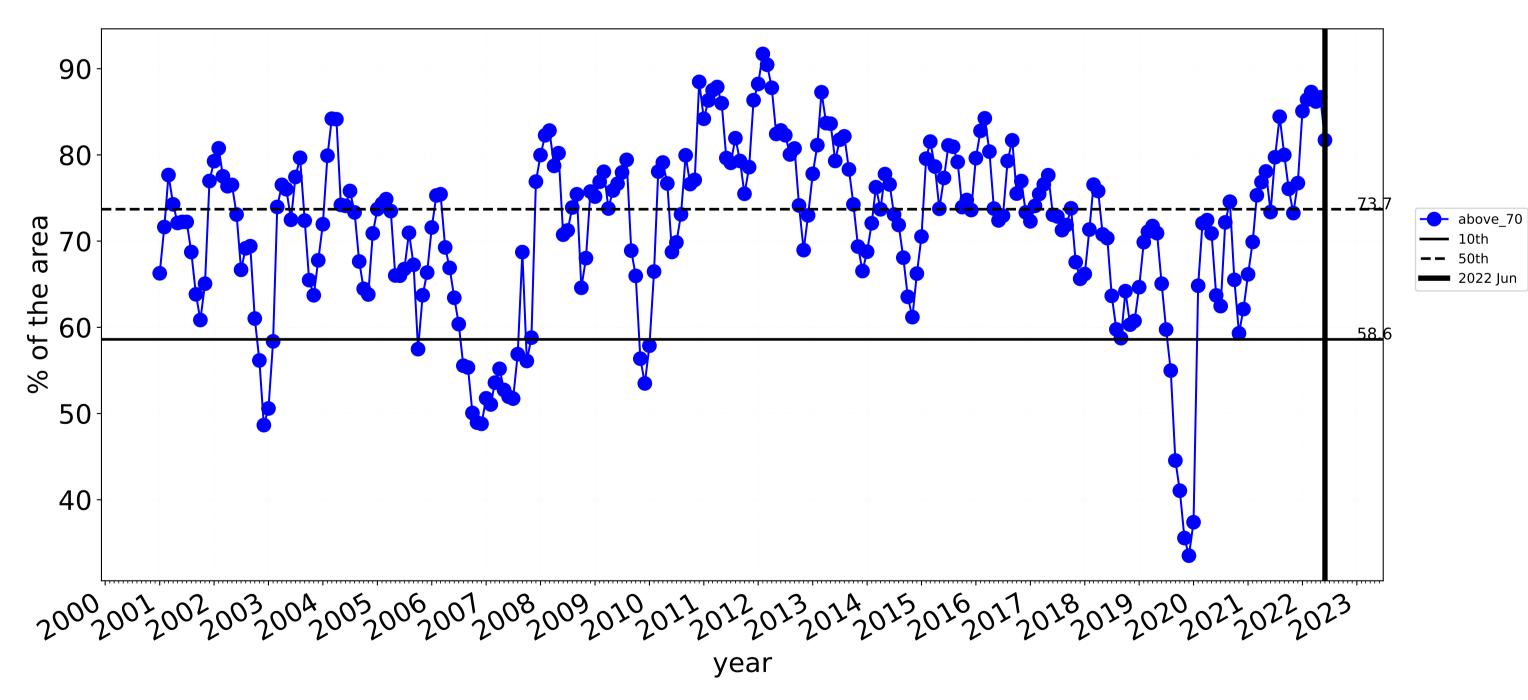
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

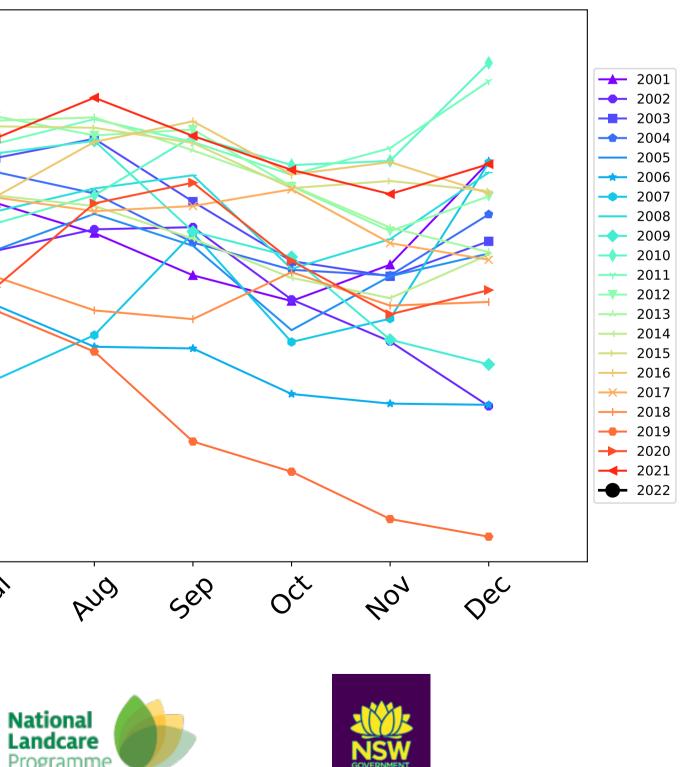


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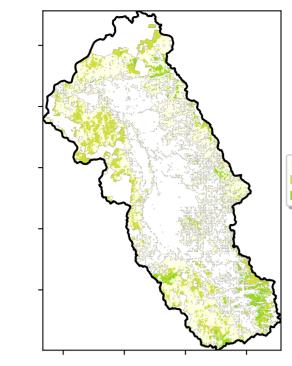
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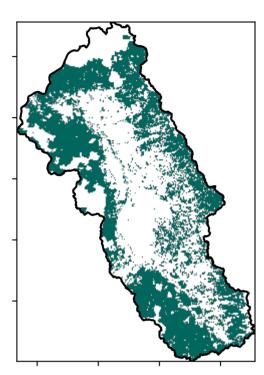


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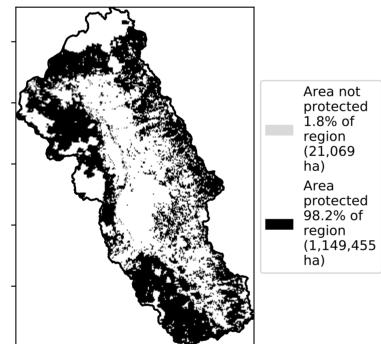
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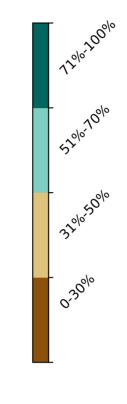


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

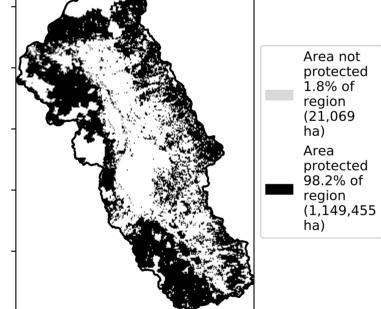




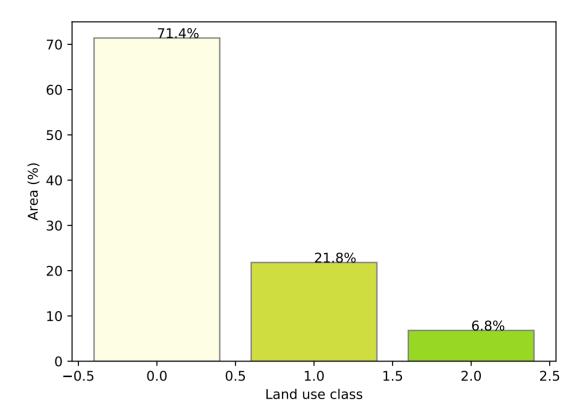
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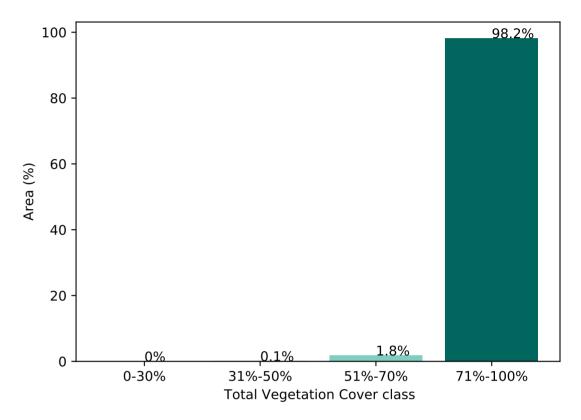
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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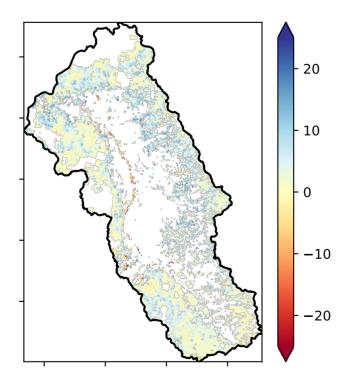
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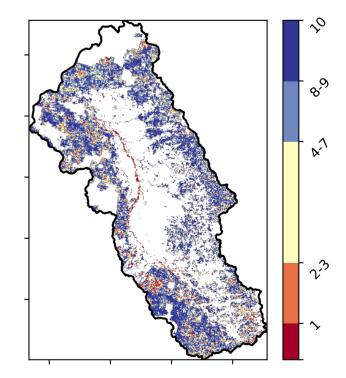
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Area not protected 0.0% of region (0 ha) Area protected 100.0% of region (1,170,525 ha)

**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





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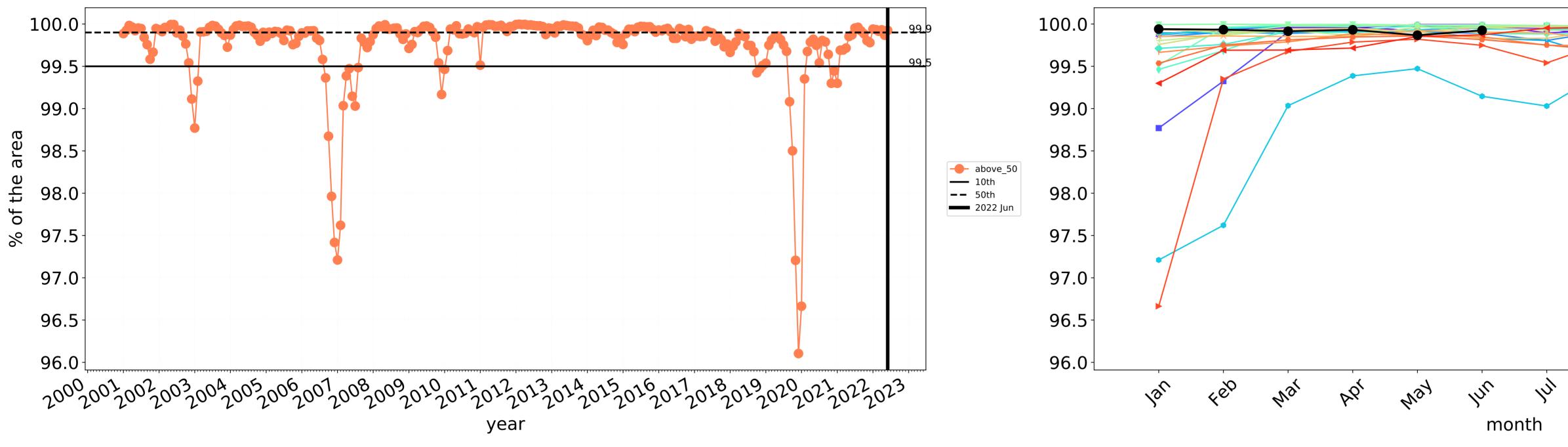
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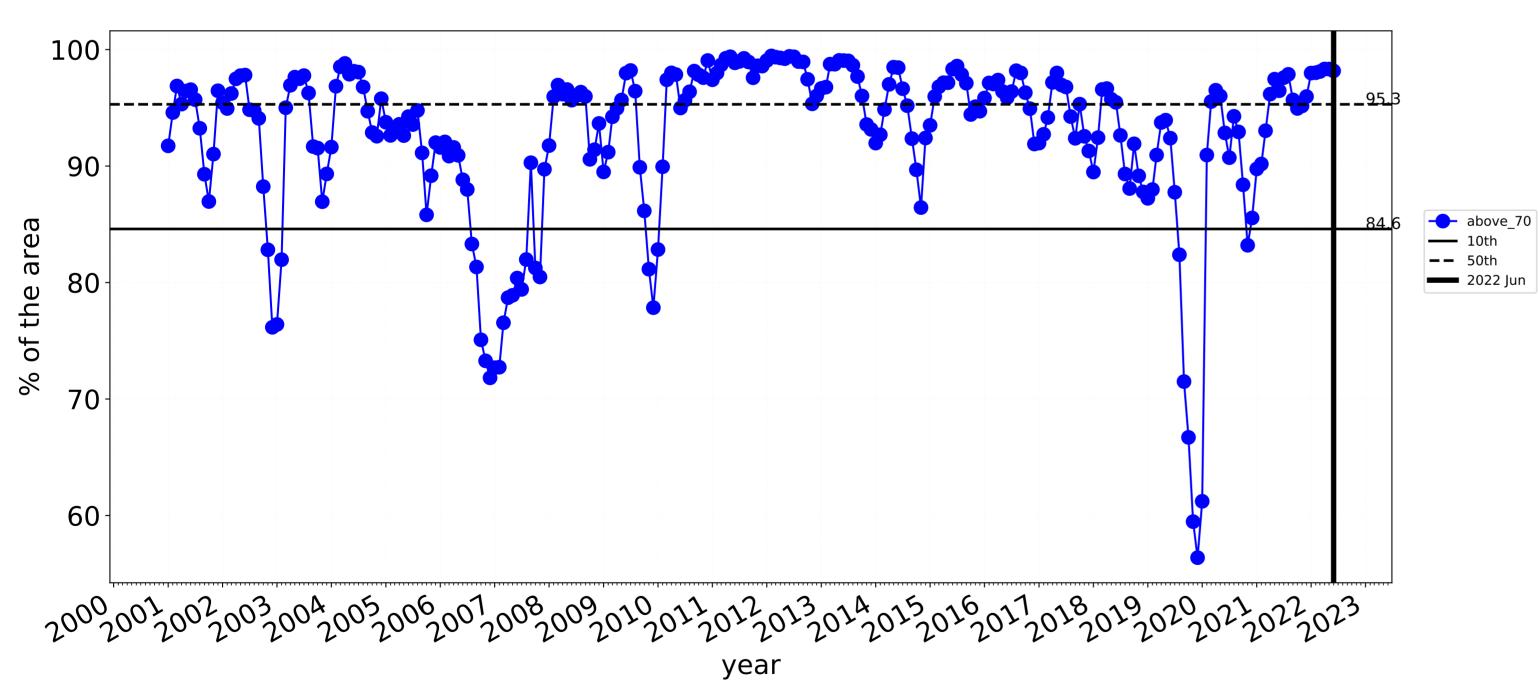
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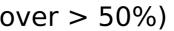
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

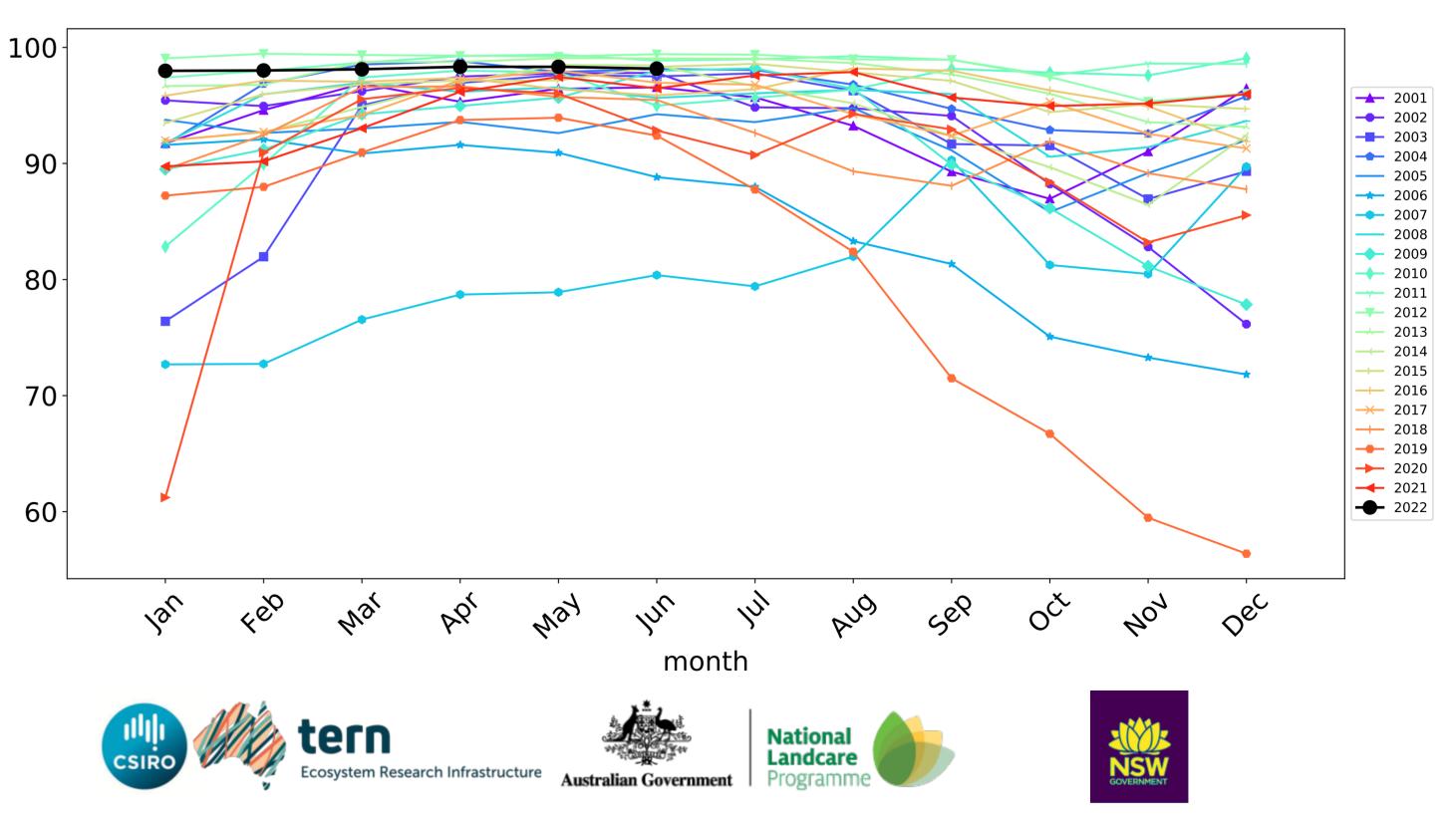
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)





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

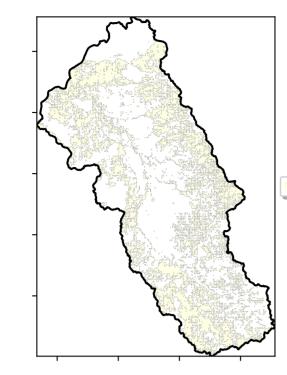
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



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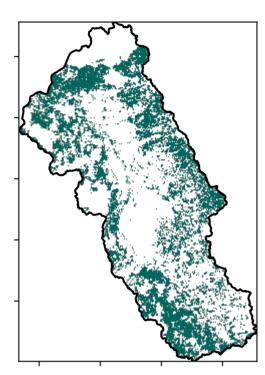
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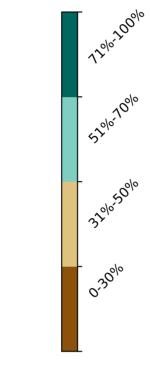
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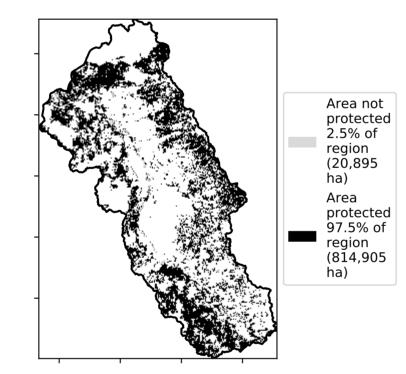
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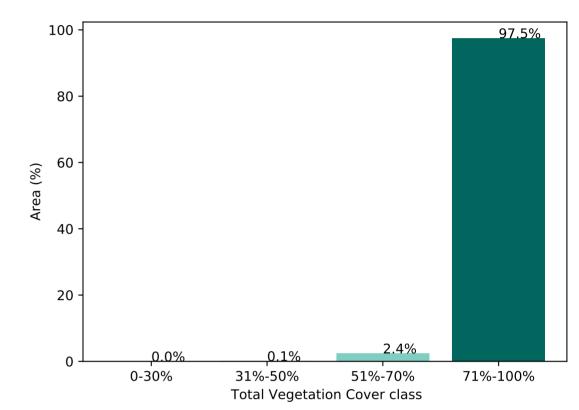




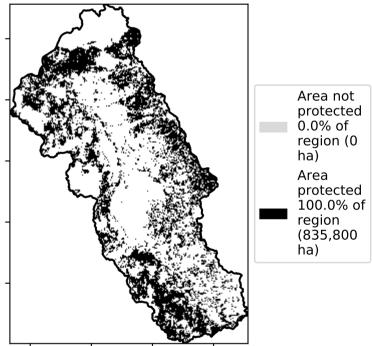
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#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

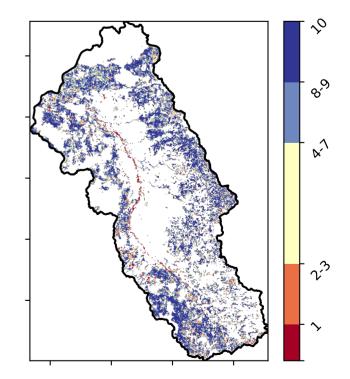


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



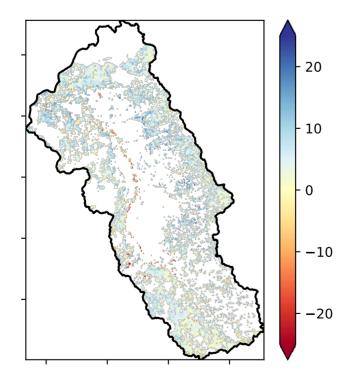
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

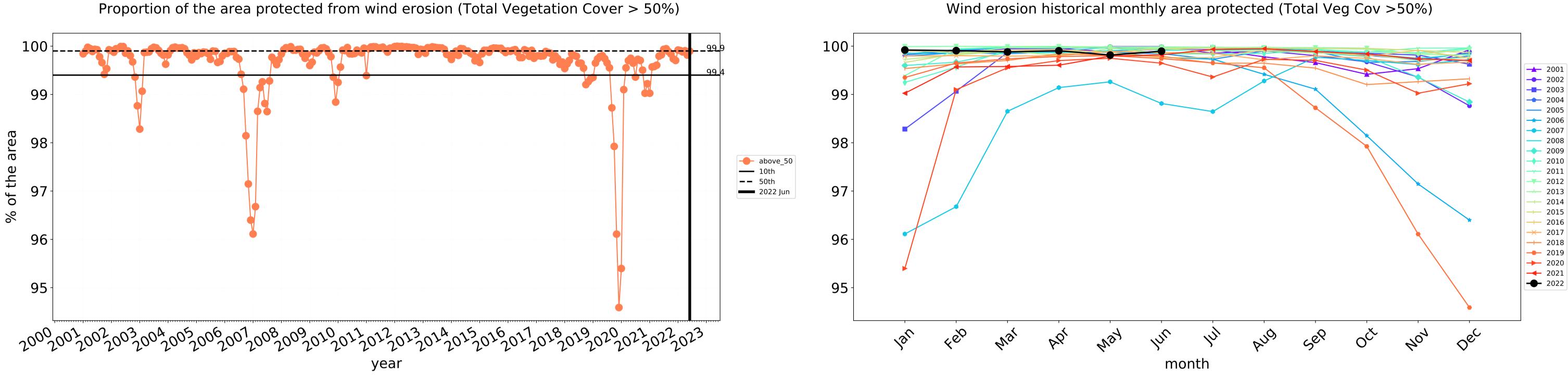
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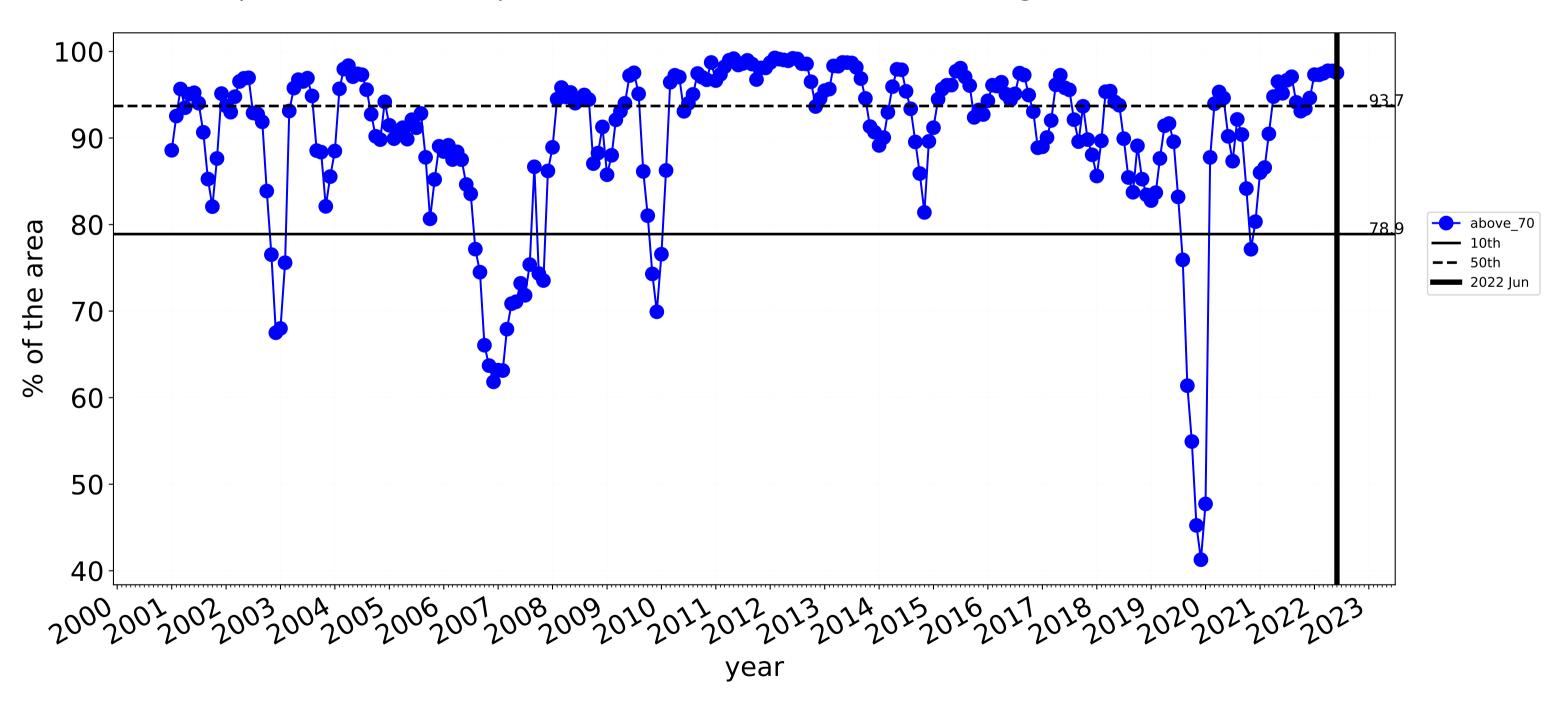






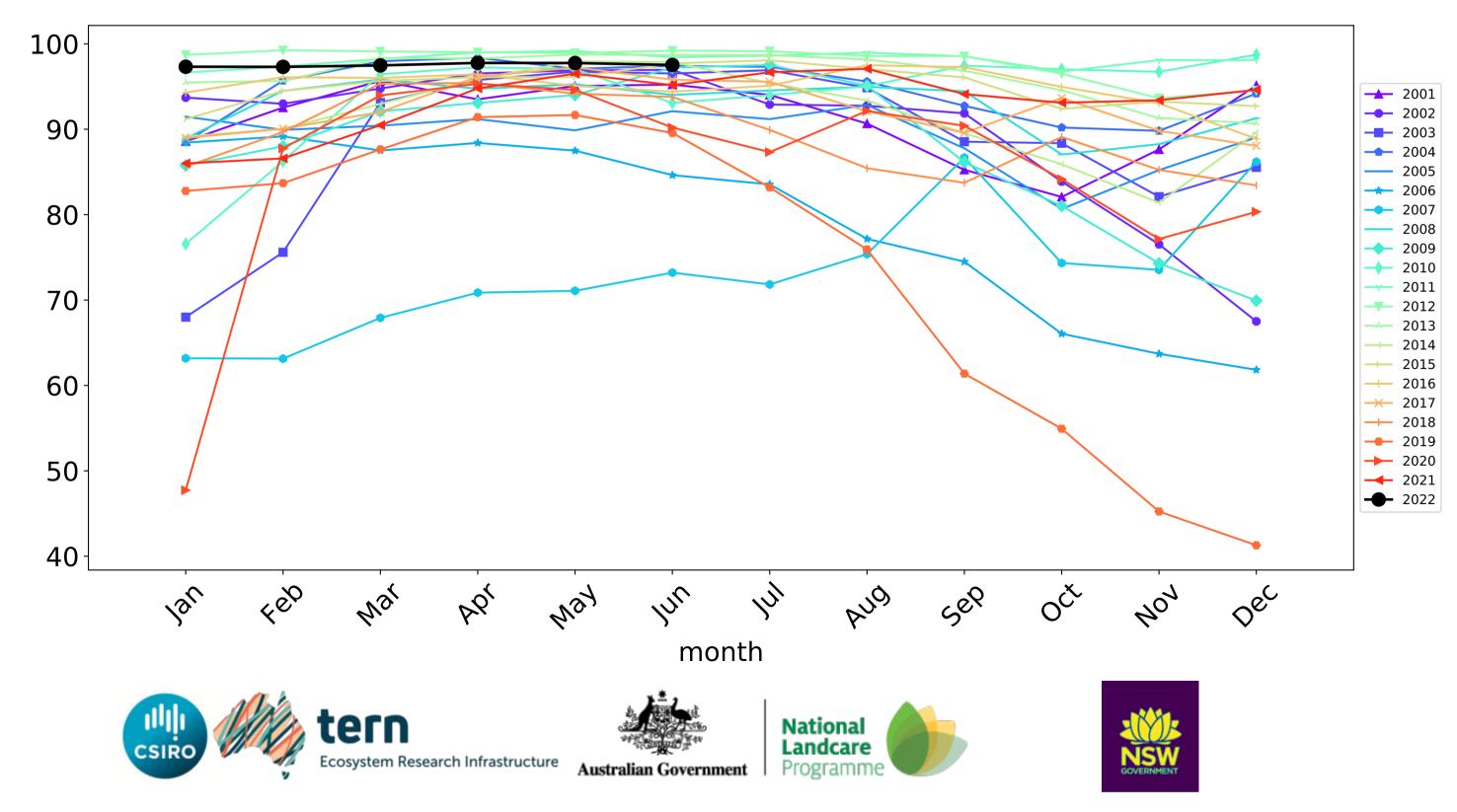
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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



# Grazing non forest timeseries

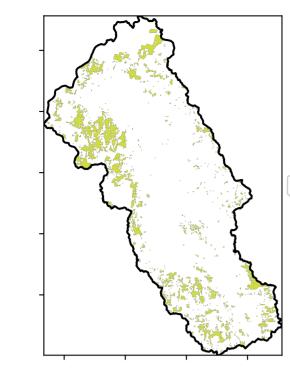
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# **Grazing Woodland forest**

Land use and forest cover



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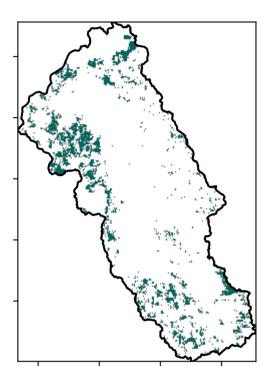
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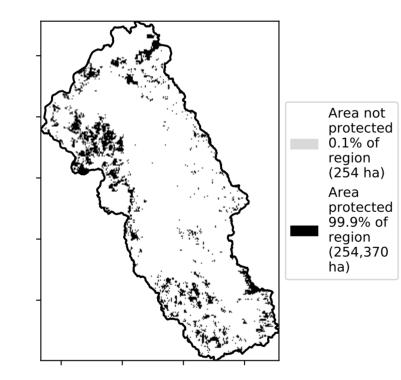
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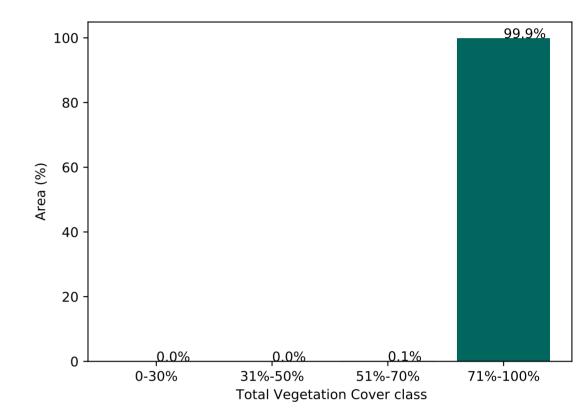
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



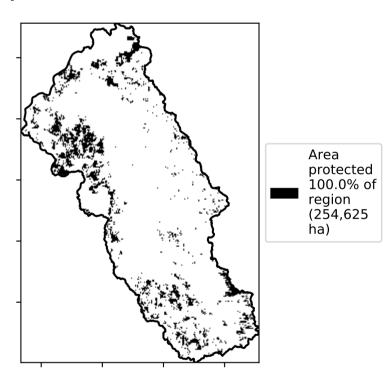






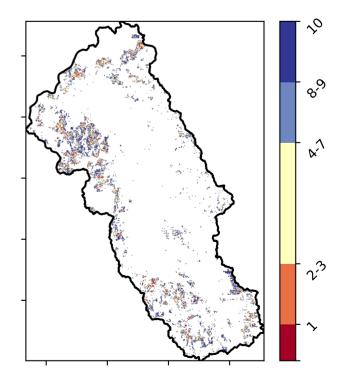


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



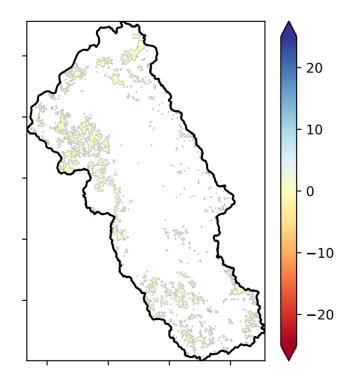
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

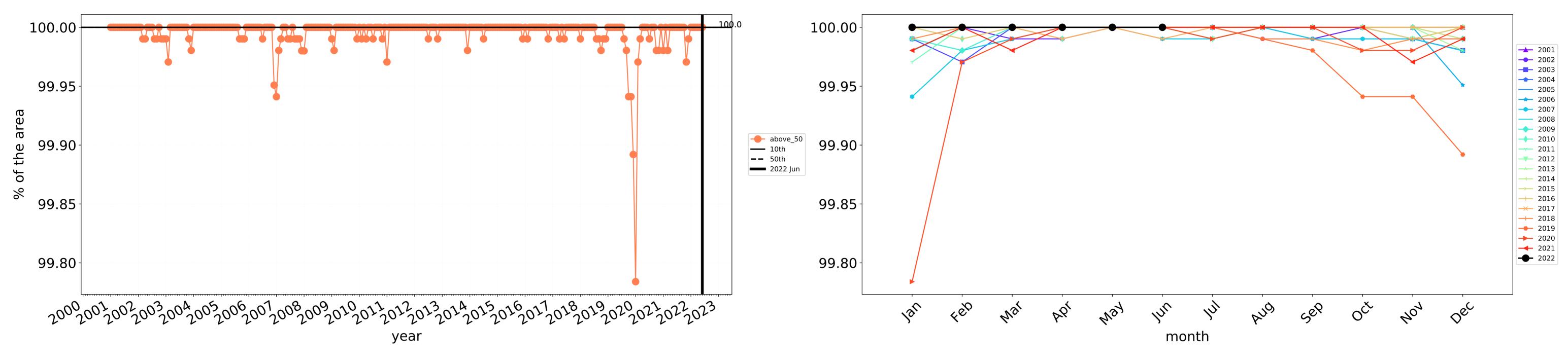
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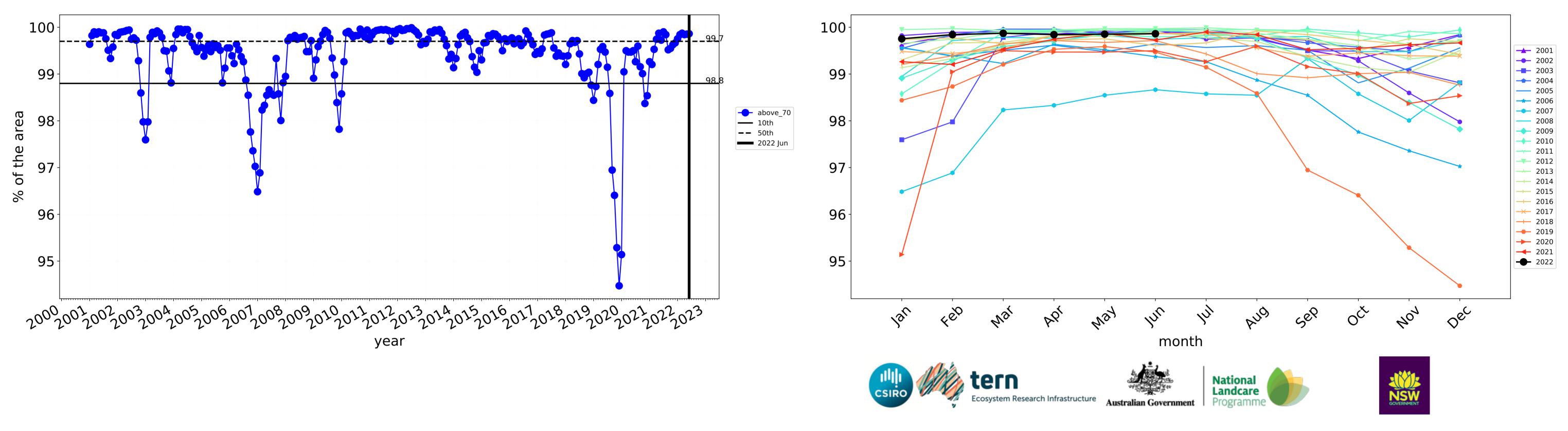






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



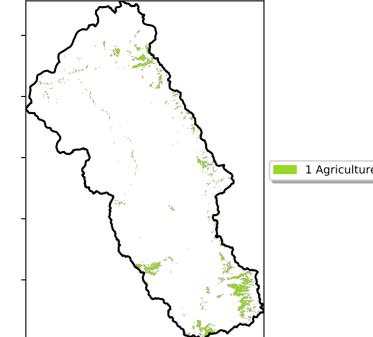


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



#### Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover



1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest

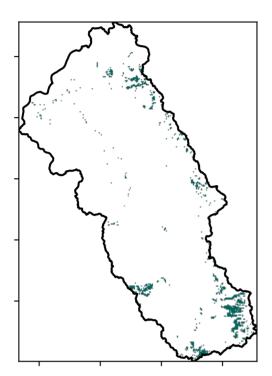
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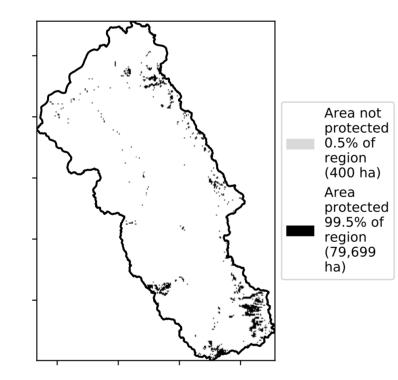
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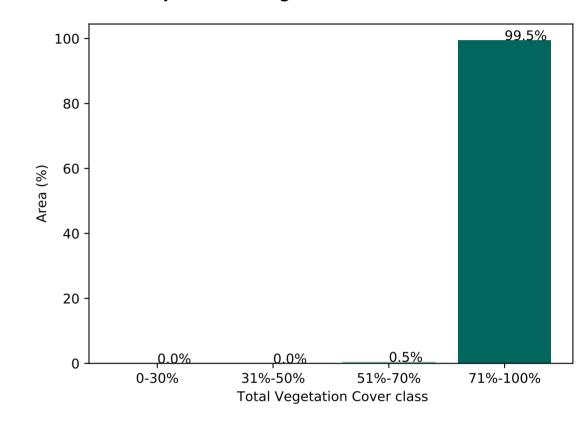
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



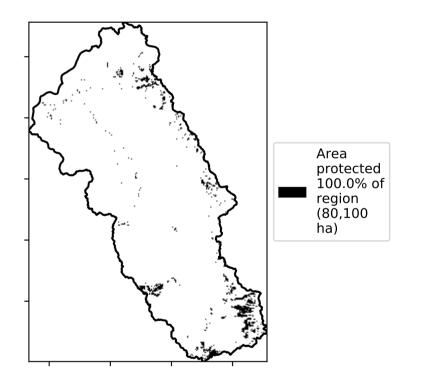




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

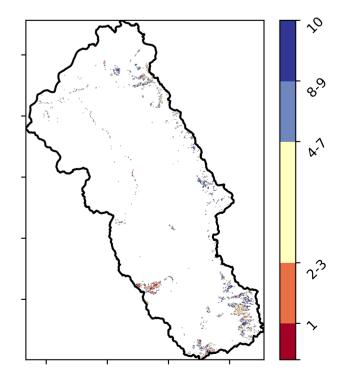


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



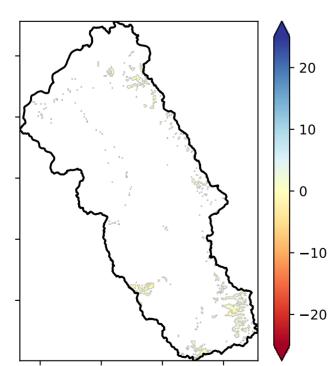
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



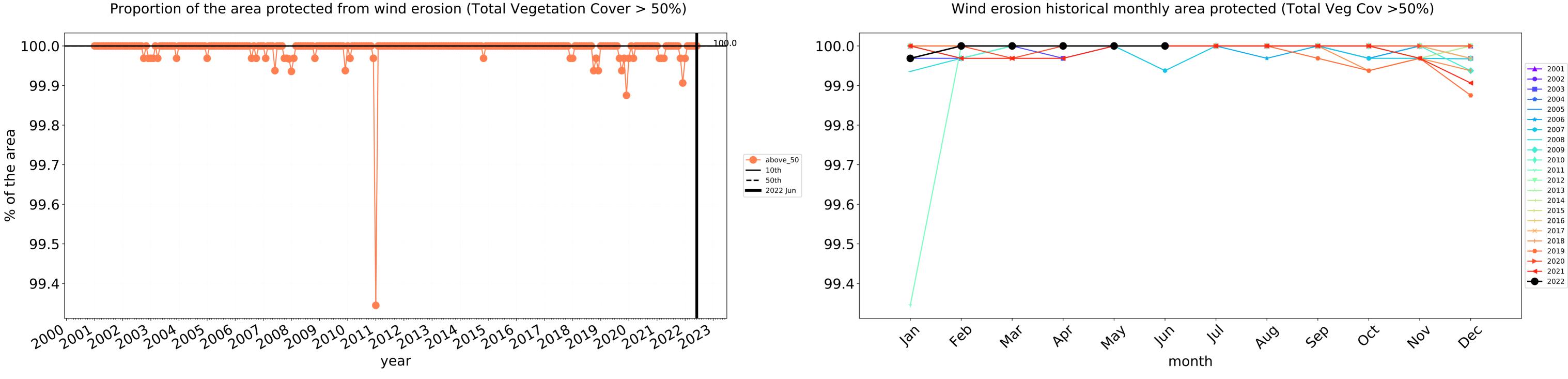
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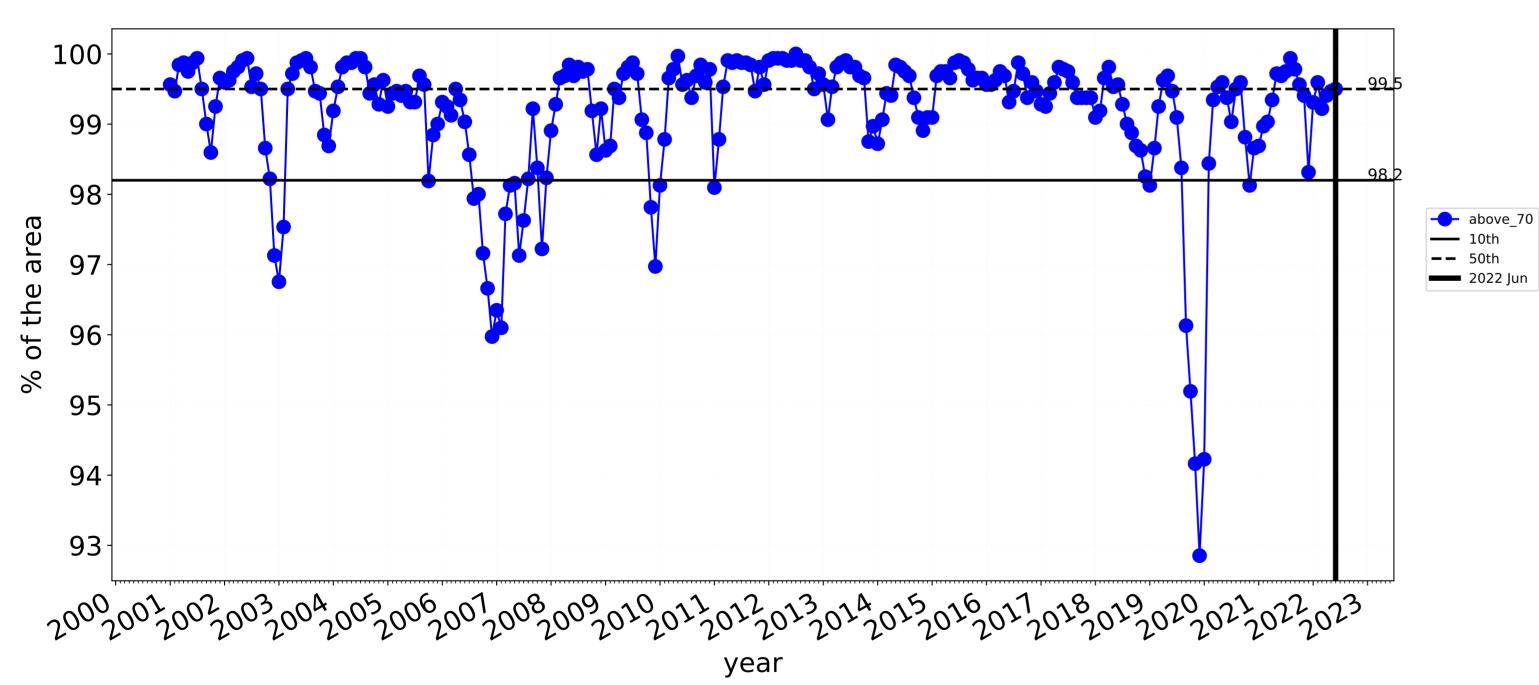
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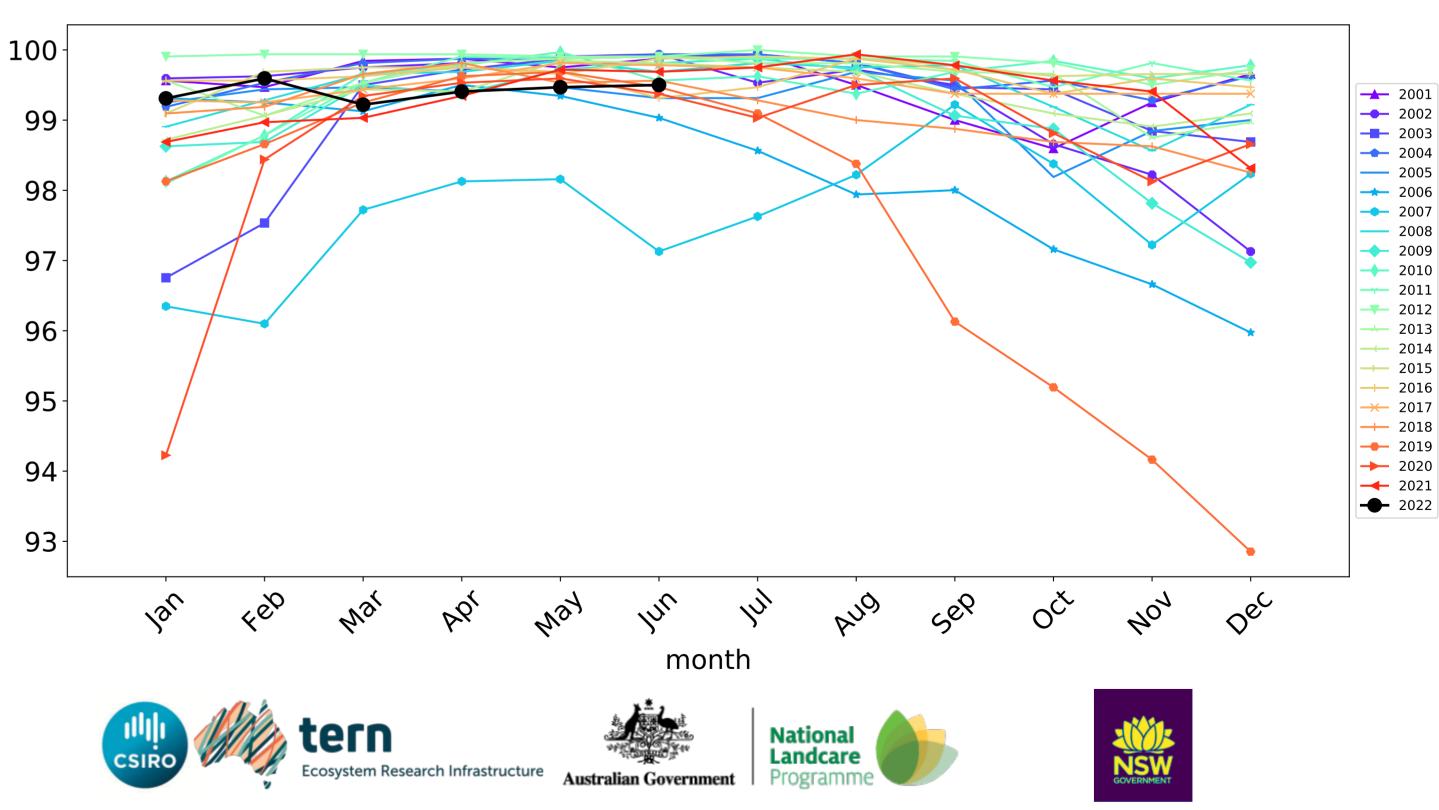


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

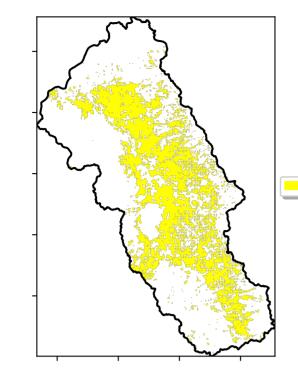


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



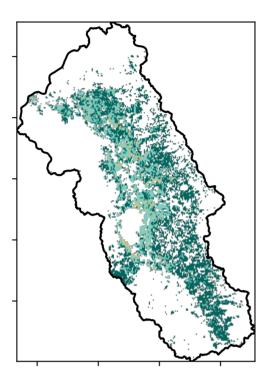
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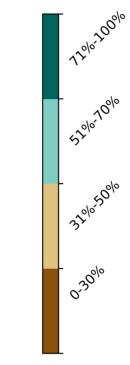
#### Land use and forest cover



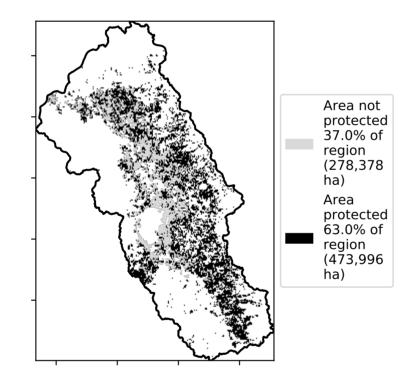
1 Agriculture - Cropping - Non-irrigated

**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

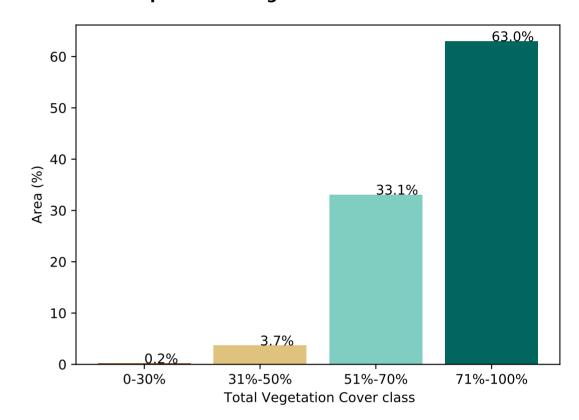




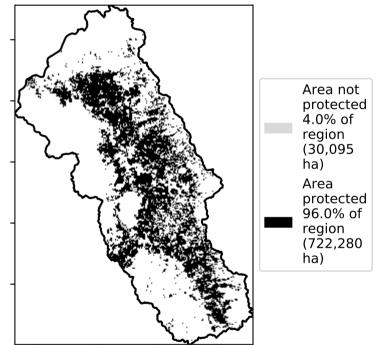
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



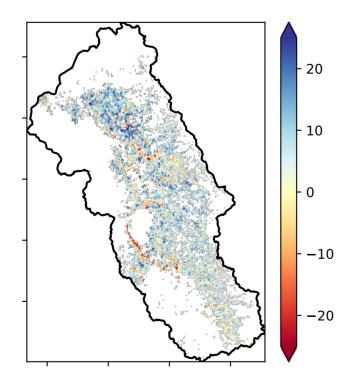
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



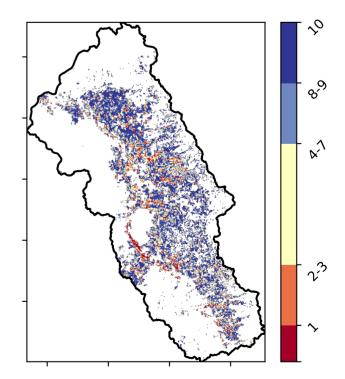
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





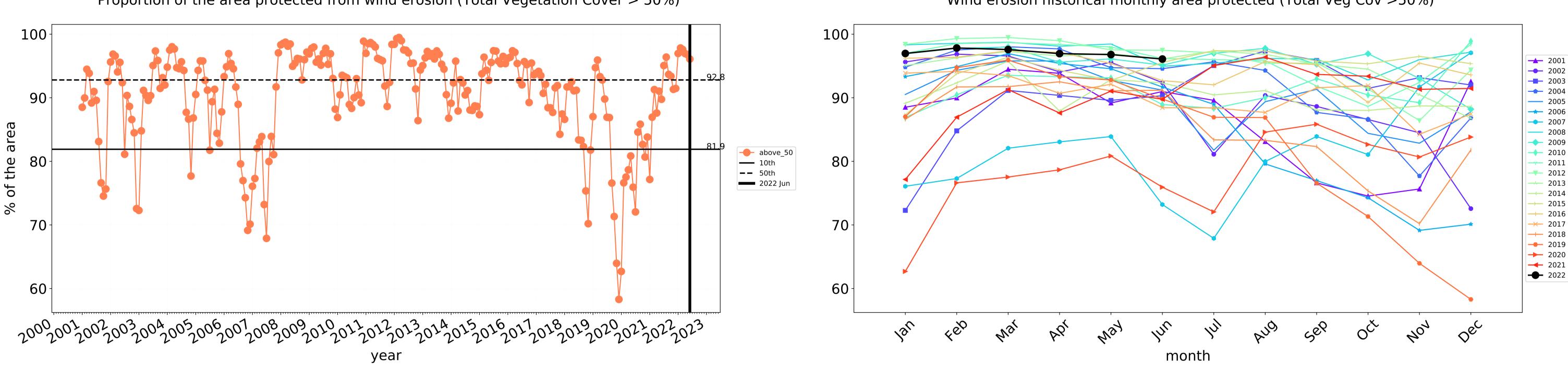
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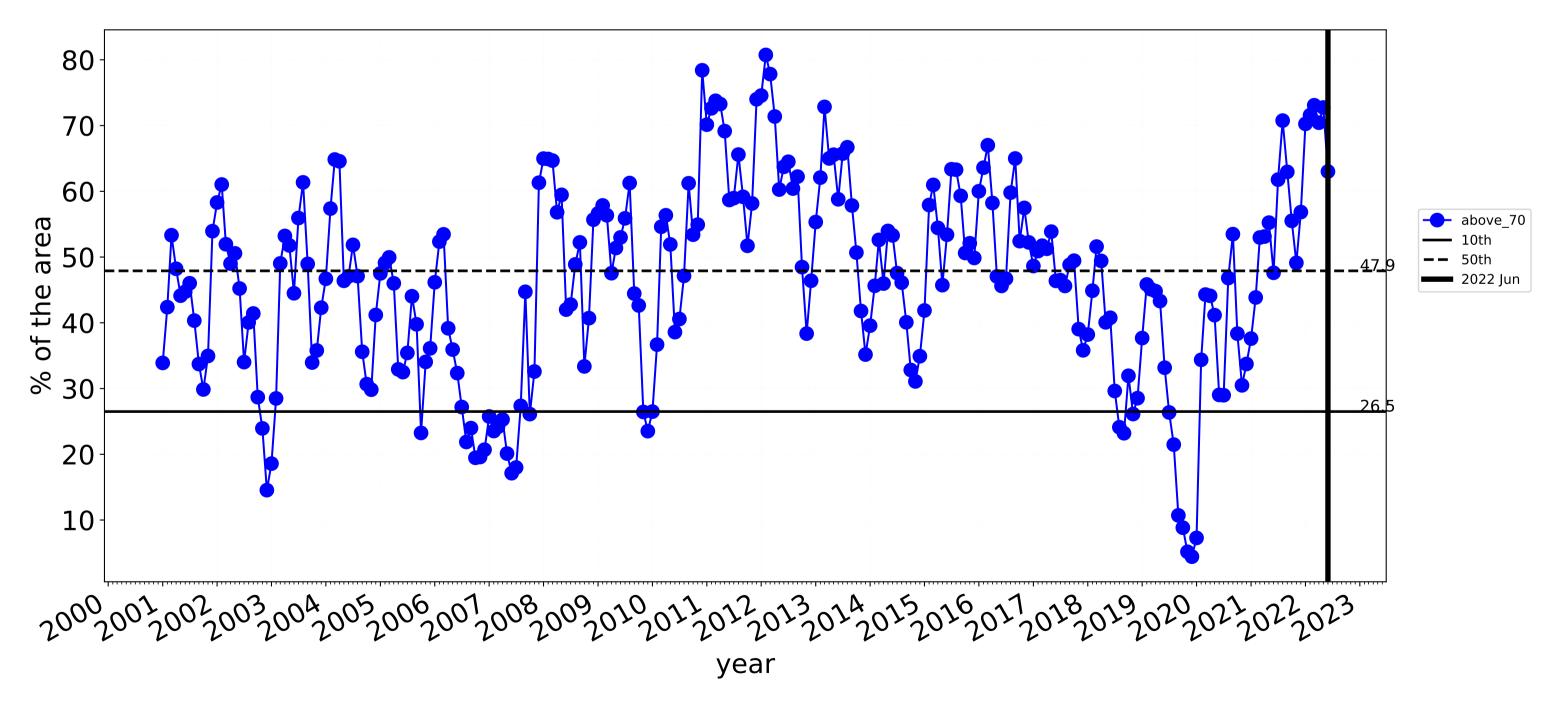
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

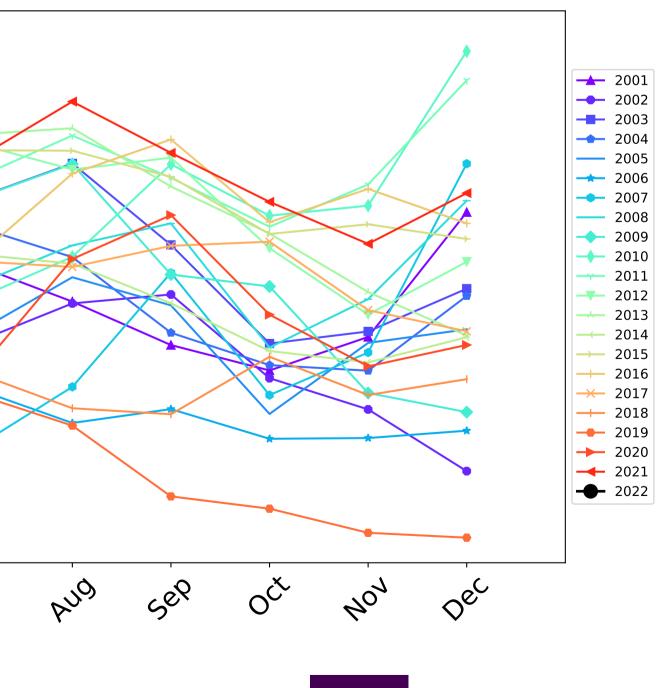


# **Cropping timeseries**

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

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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



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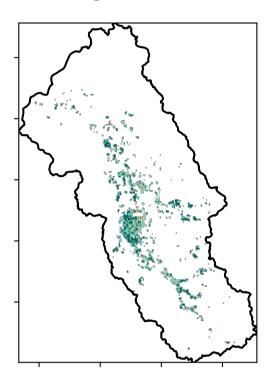
# Irrigation

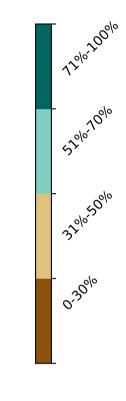
Land use and forest cover



2 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated 3 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated

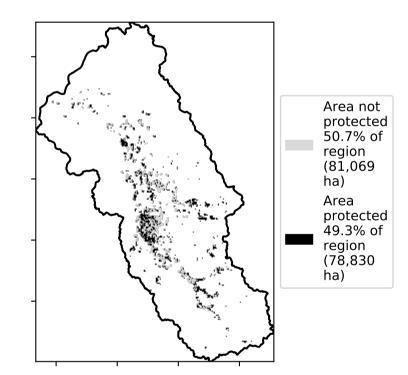
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

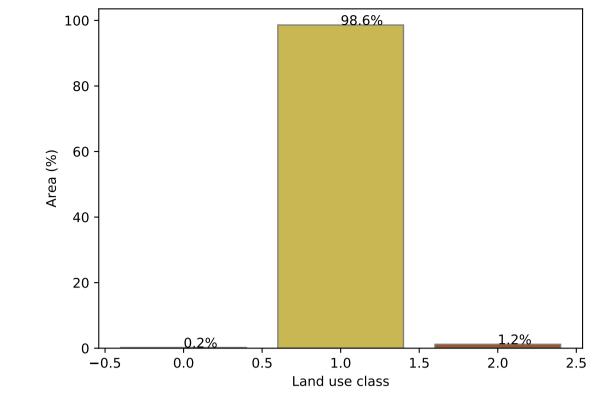




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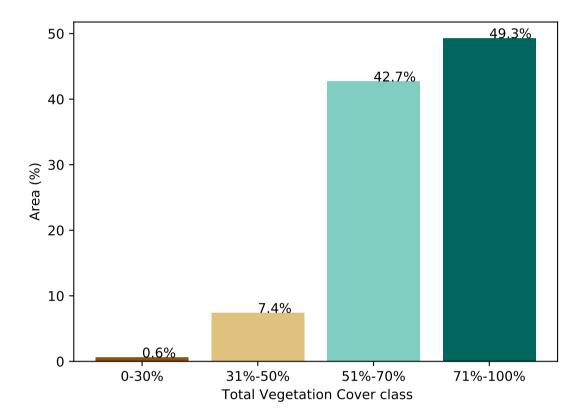
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



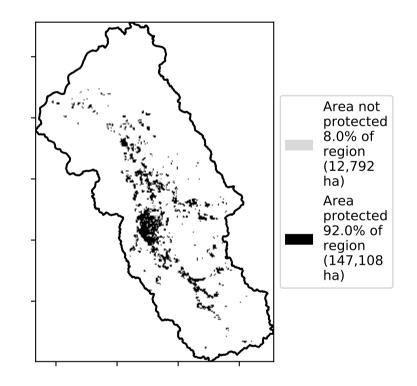


Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

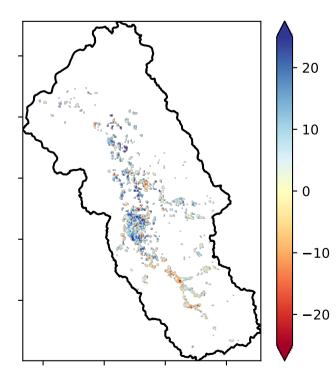


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



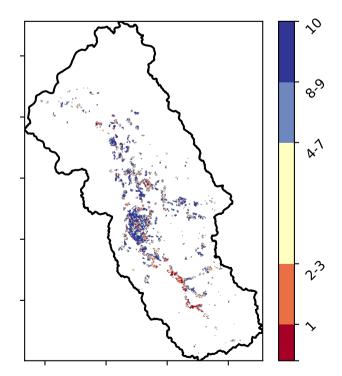
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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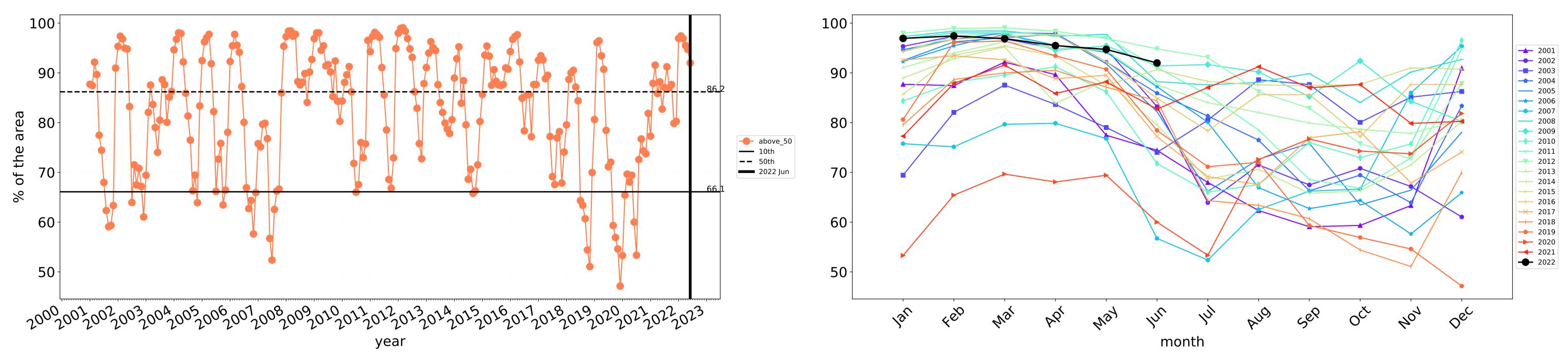


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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

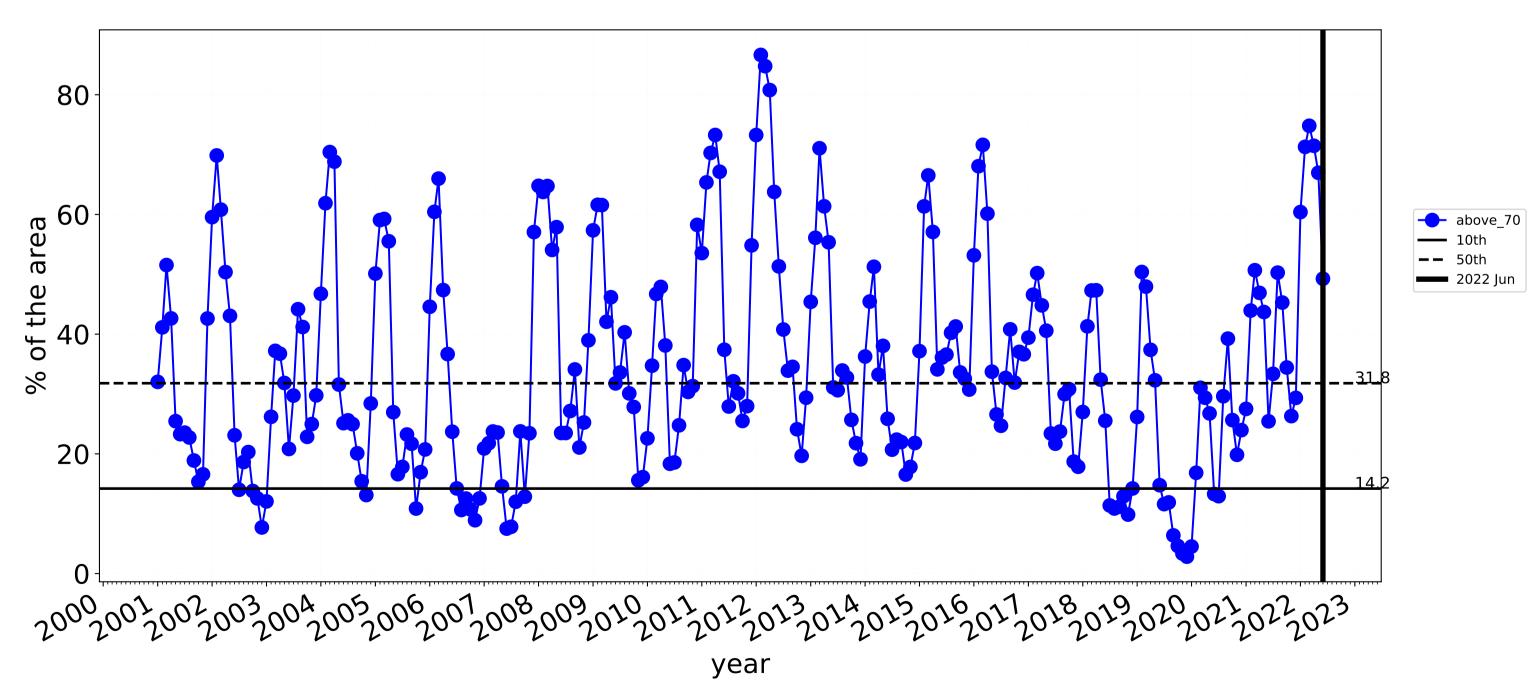






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



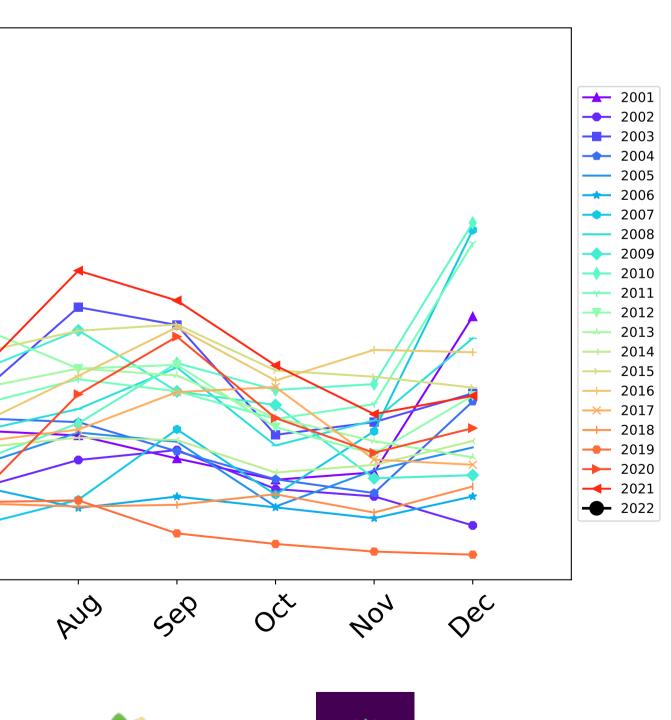
# Irrigation timeseries



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

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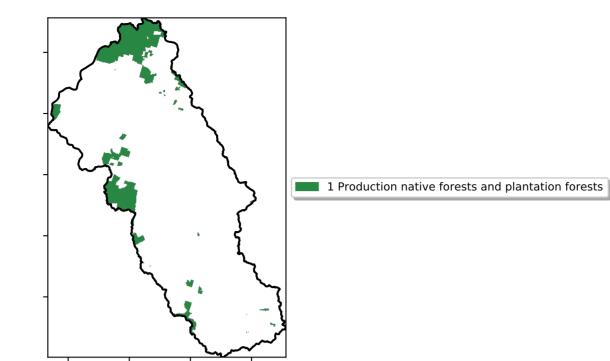
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



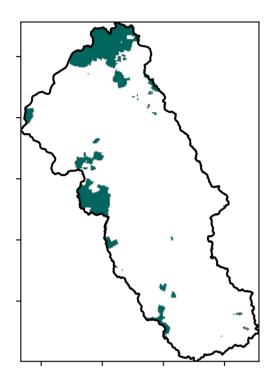
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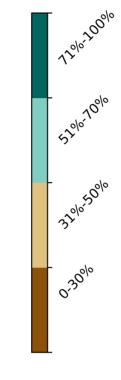
# **Production native forests and plantation forests**

Land use and forest cover

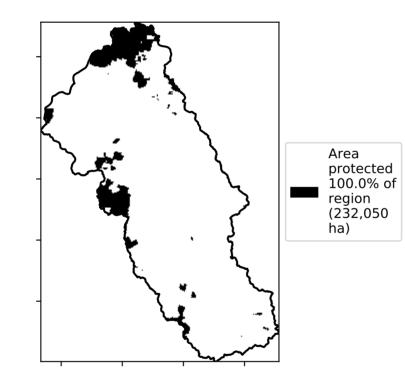


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



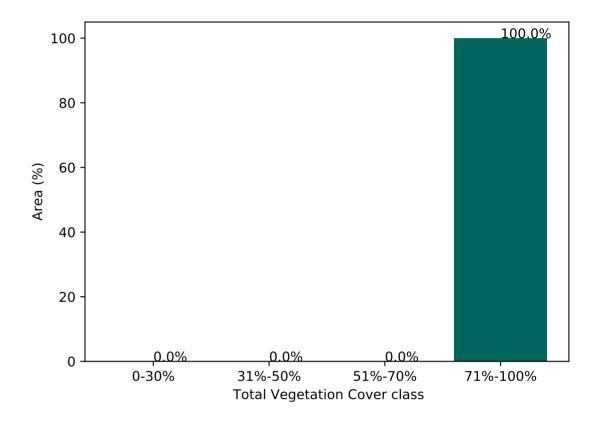


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

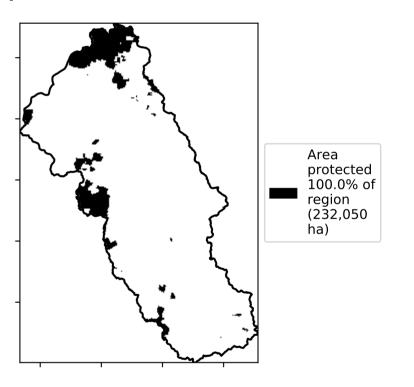




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

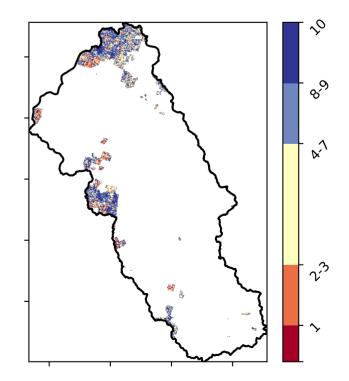


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



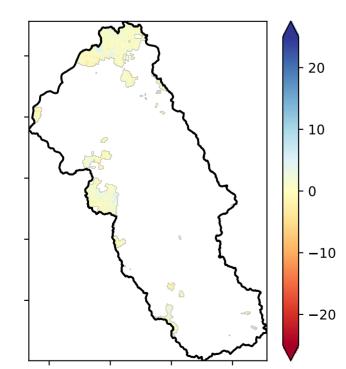
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

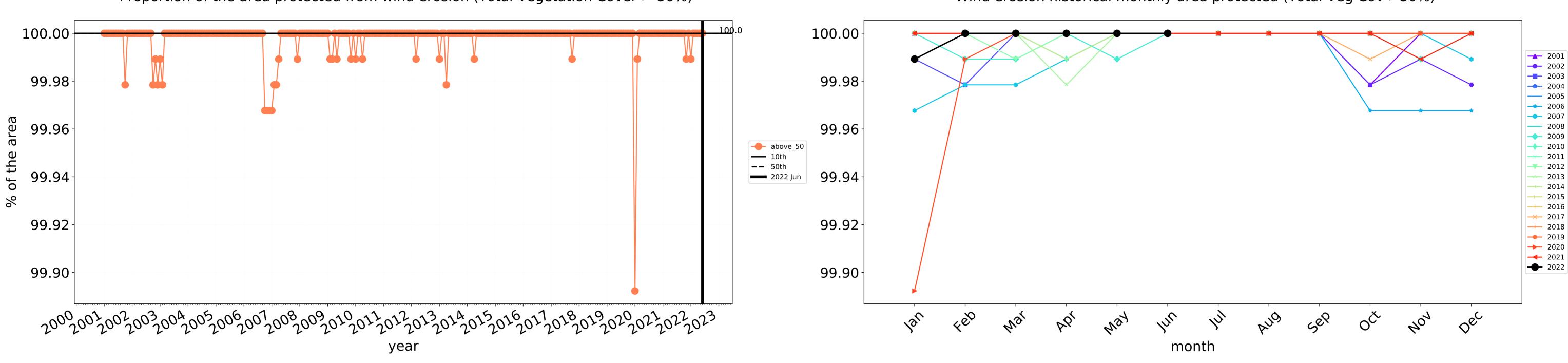
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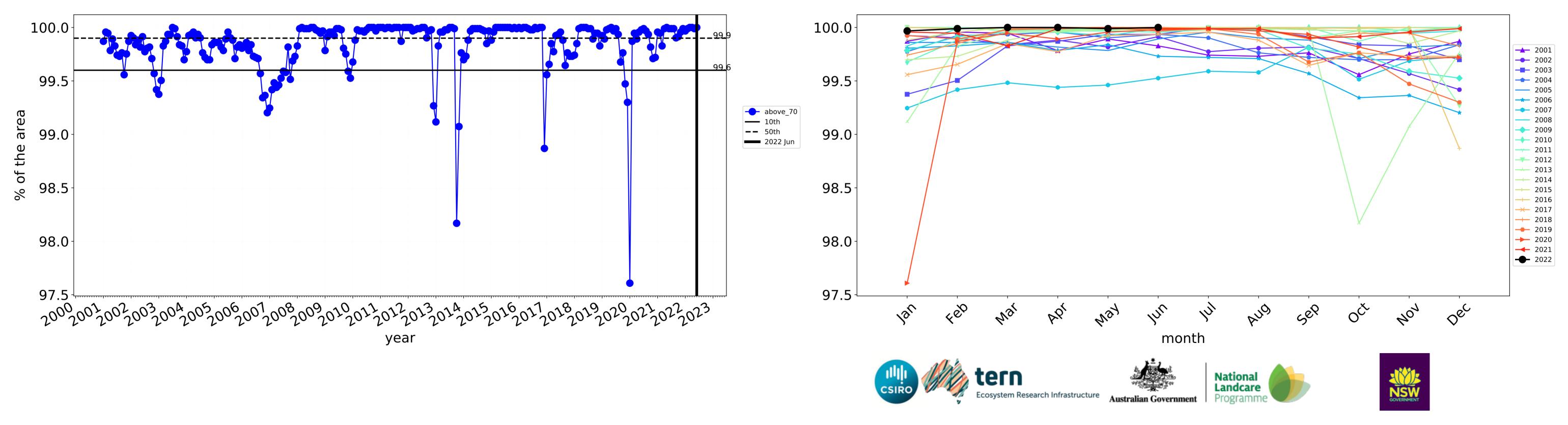






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

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

# Condamine (2,440,850 ha and no data 4,762 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	2,440,850	99.9% 2,438,225	98.2% 2,396,150	83.9% 2,047,025	69.2% 1,689,175	40.4% 985,125	10.4% 252,800
Conservation and natural environments	57,650	100.0% 57,650	100.0% 57,650	99.7% 57,450	98.8% 56,950	64.7% 37,325	31.4% 18,100
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	35,625	100.0% 35,625	100.0% 35,625	99.9% 35,600	99.9% 35,575	55.7% 19,850	17.0% 6,050
Agriculture	2,083,075	99.9% 2,080,700	97.9% 2,039,975	81.7% 1,702,250	65.2% 1,358,025	34.8% 724,825	8.9% 186,025
Grazing	1,170,525	100.0% 1,170,475	99.9% 1,169,650	98.2% 1,149,125	92.7% 1,085,550	56.8% 664,800	14.8% 173,275
Grazing non forest	835,800	100.0% 835,750	99.9% 834,925	97.5% 815,150	90.4% 755,375	49.5% 413,450	13.3% 111,350
Grazing Woodland forest	254,625	100.0% 254,625	100.0% 254,625	99.9% 254,275	98.9% 251,775	73.0% 185,975	14.6% 37,150
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	80,100	100.0% 80,100	100.0% 80,100	99.5% 79,700	97.9% 78,400	81.6% 65,375	30.9% 24,775
Cropping	752,375	99.8% 751,075	96.1% 722,950	63.0% 474,075	32.7% 246,250	7.4% 55,800	1.5% 11,500
Irrigation	159,900	99.4% 158,875	92.0% 147,100	49.3% 78,775	16.3% 26,000	2.6% 4,100	0.8% 1,200
Production native forests and plantation forests	232,050	100.0% 232,050	100.0% 232,050	100.0% 232,050	99.9% 231,900	89.7% 208,150	19.8% 45,950

