## Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM South East SA

# Date: March 2004

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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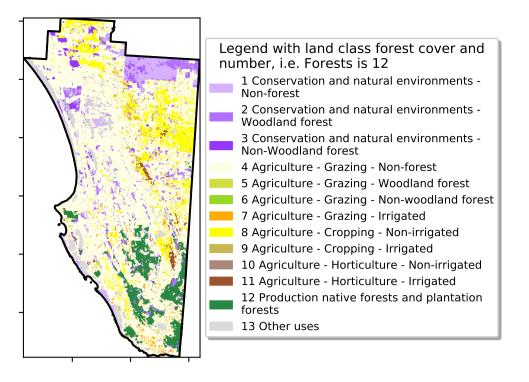


## **Vegetation Cover Mar 2004**

#### Land use and forest cover







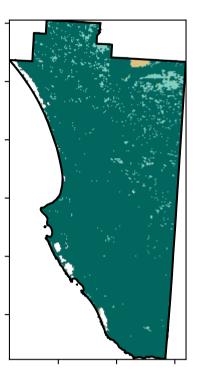
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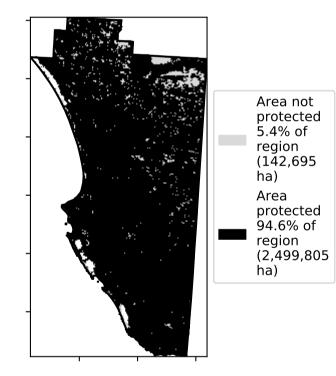
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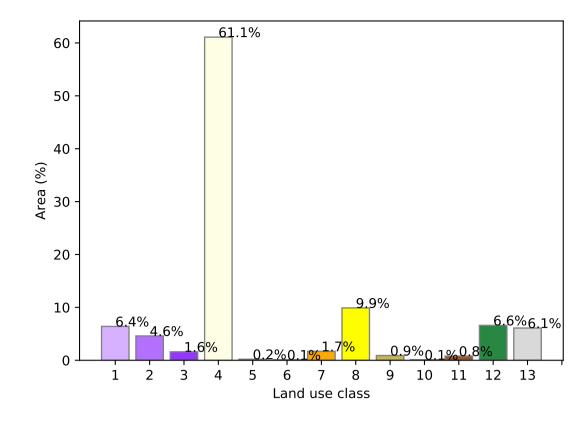
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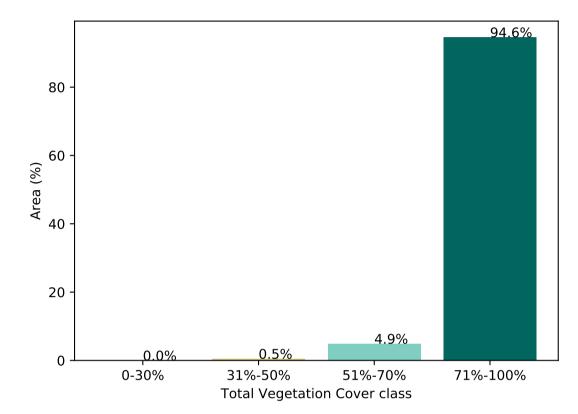


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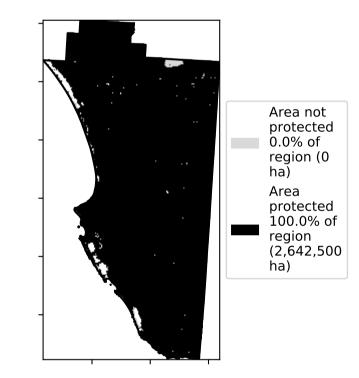




#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

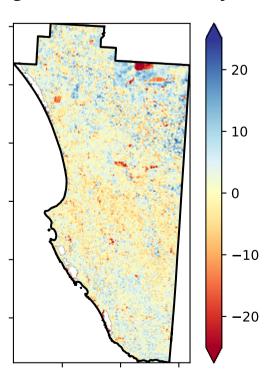


#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

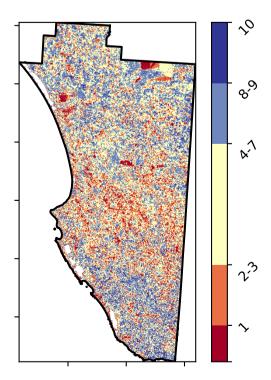


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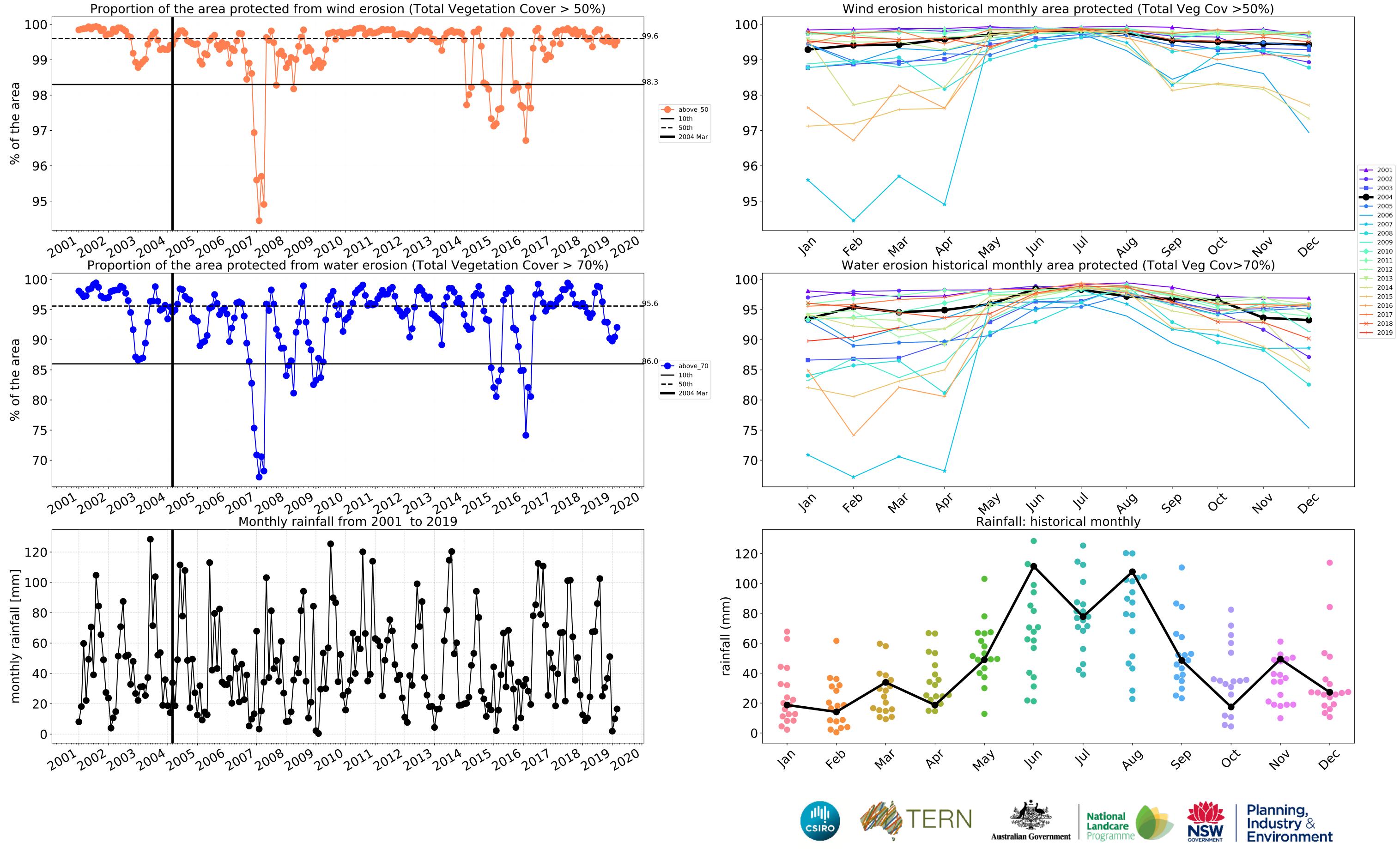
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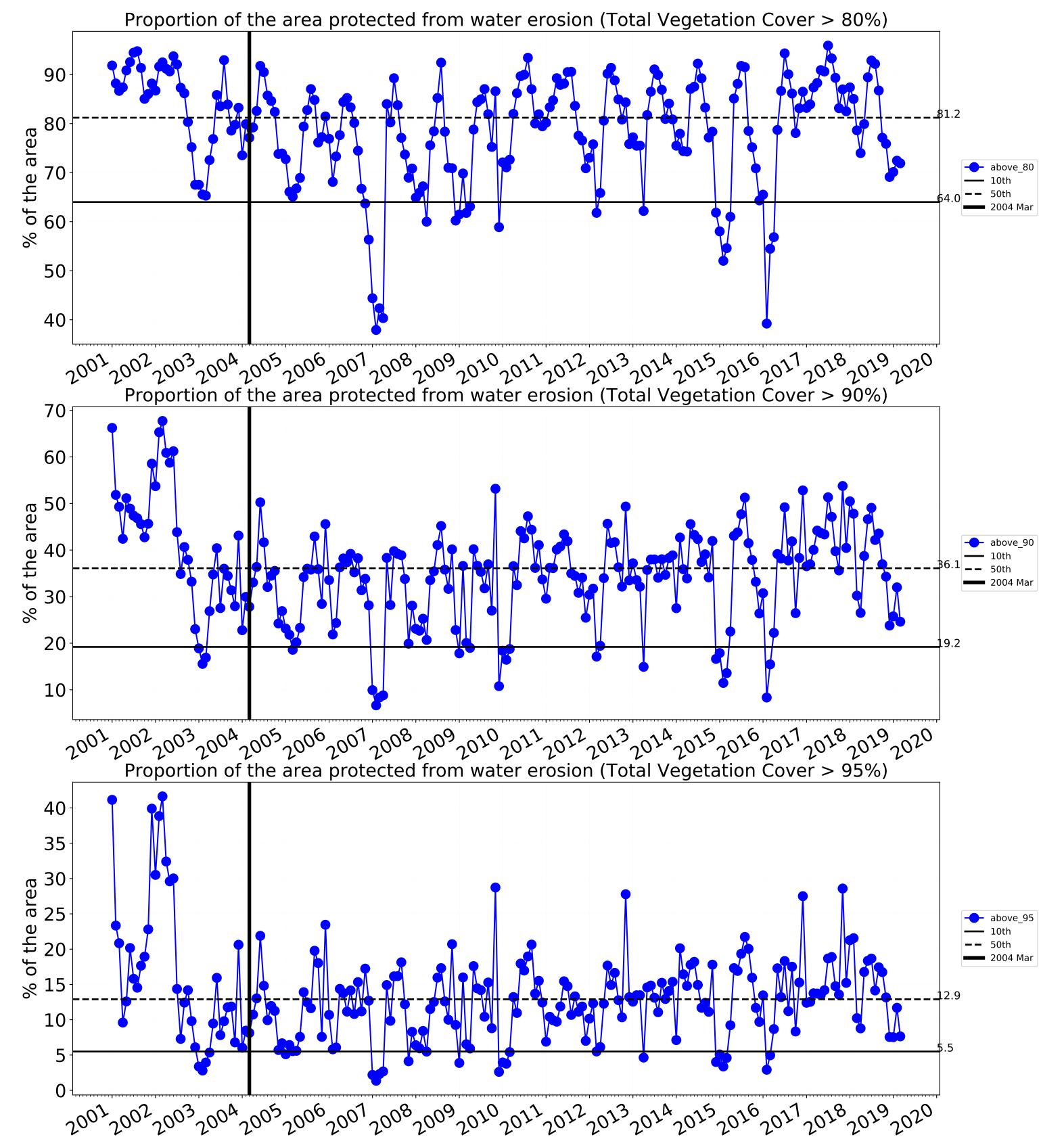


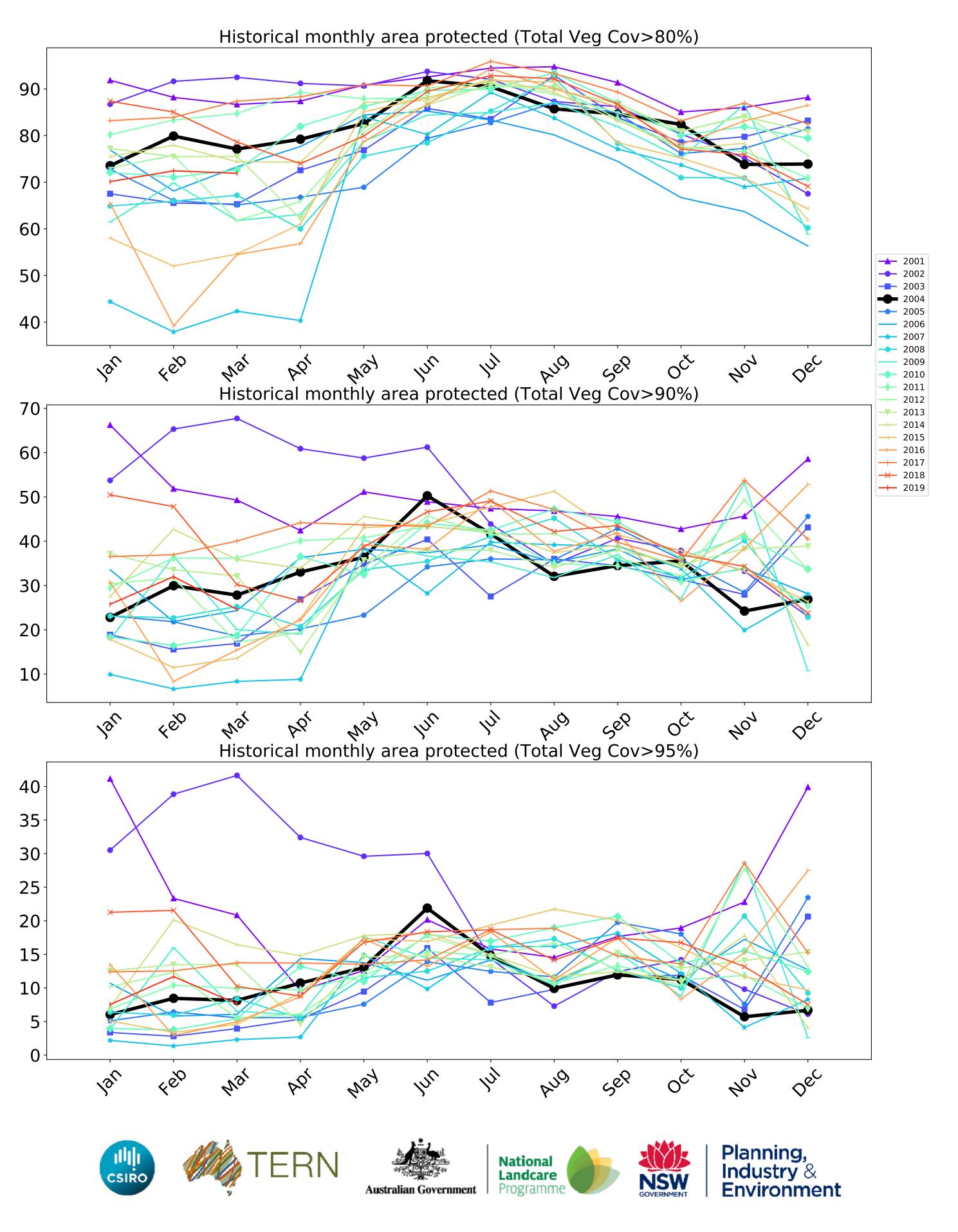
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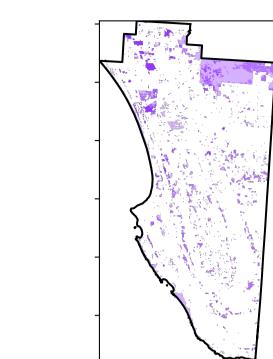




### **Conservation and natural environments**

### Land use and forest cover

#### Proportion of each land class in area



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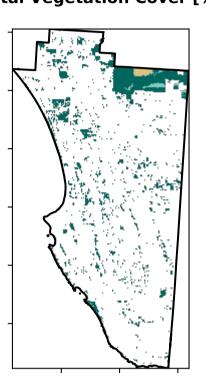
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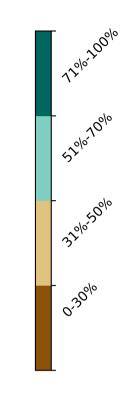
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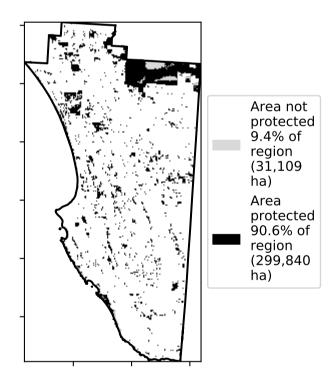
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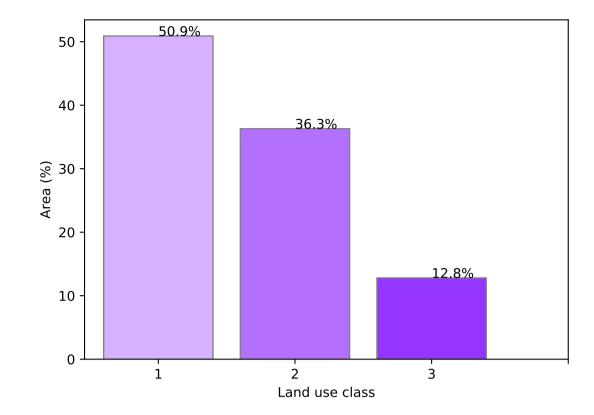




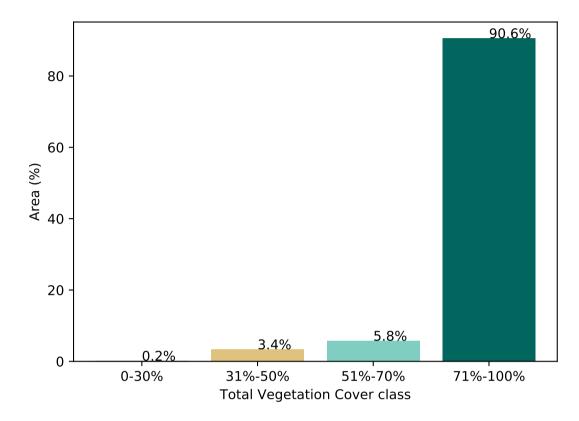


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

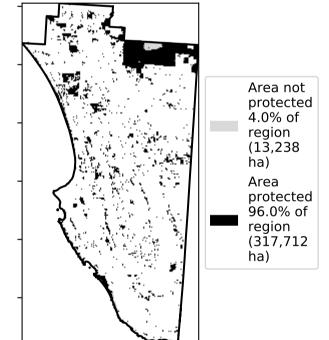




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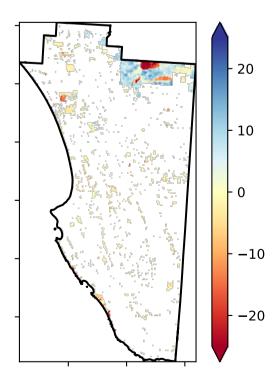


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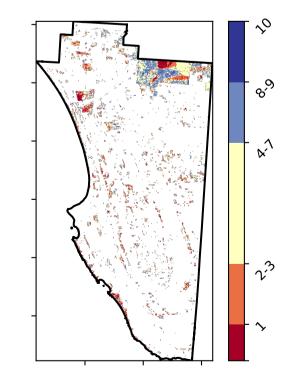


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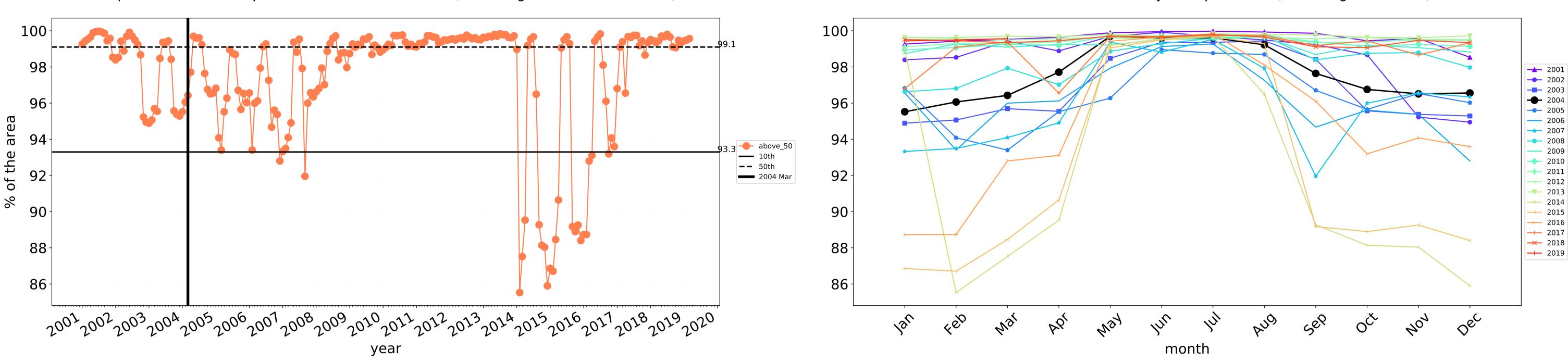
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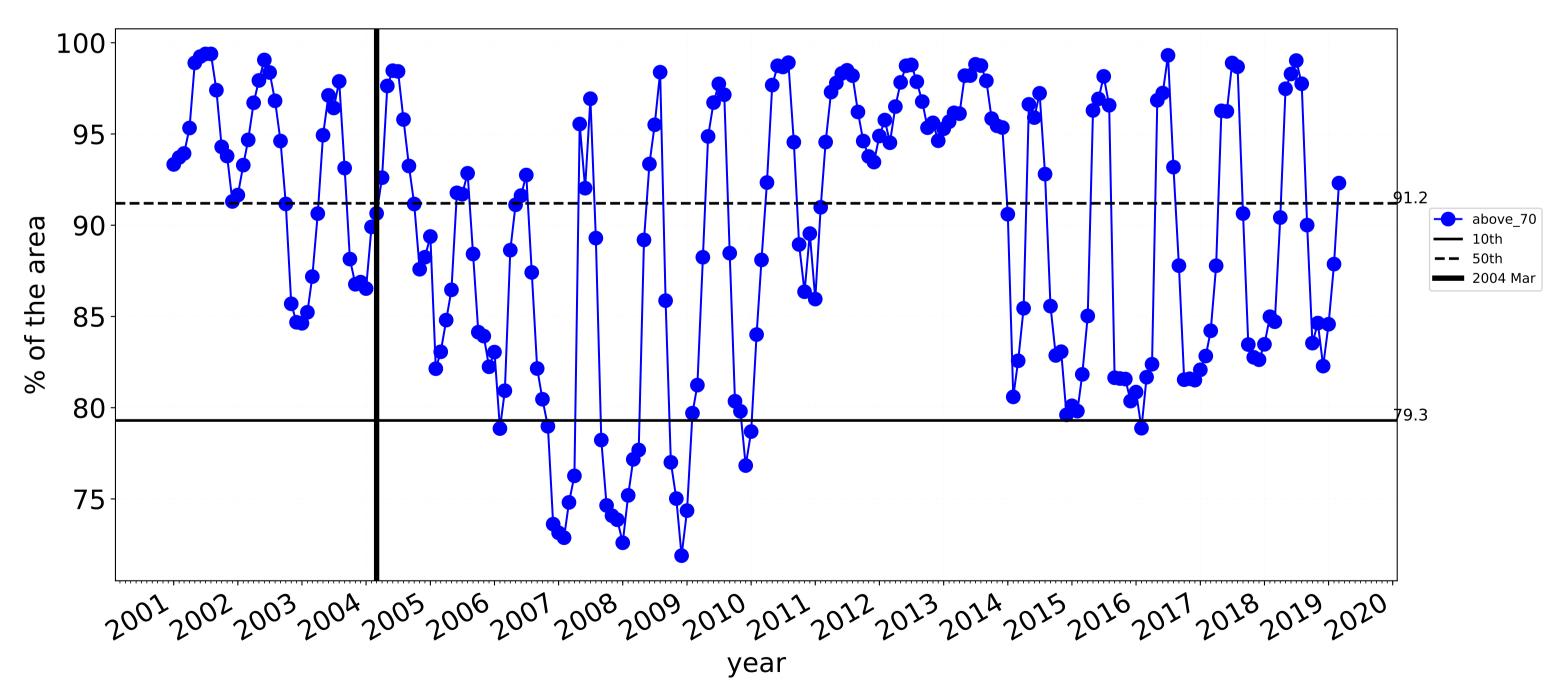
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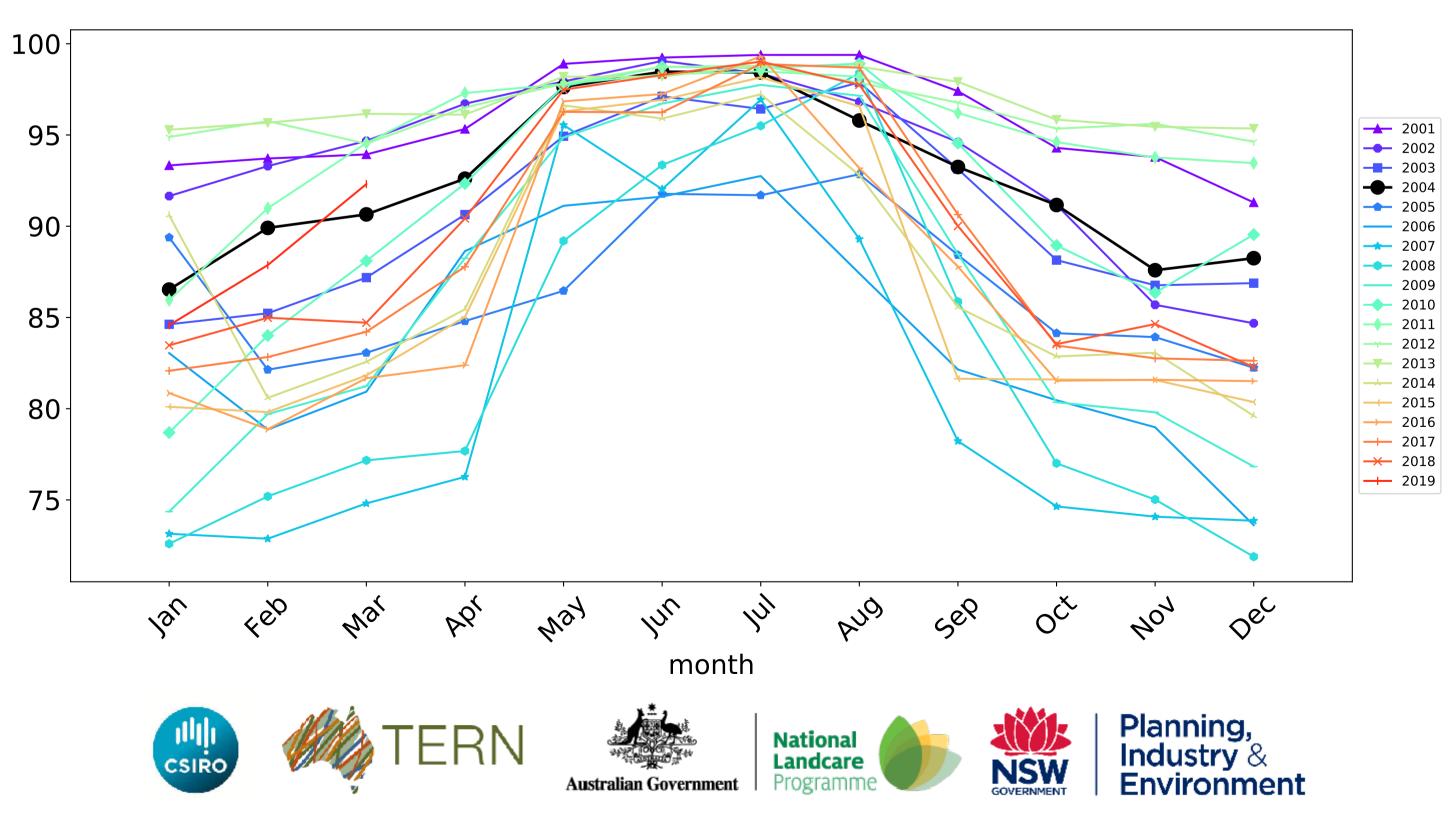


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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

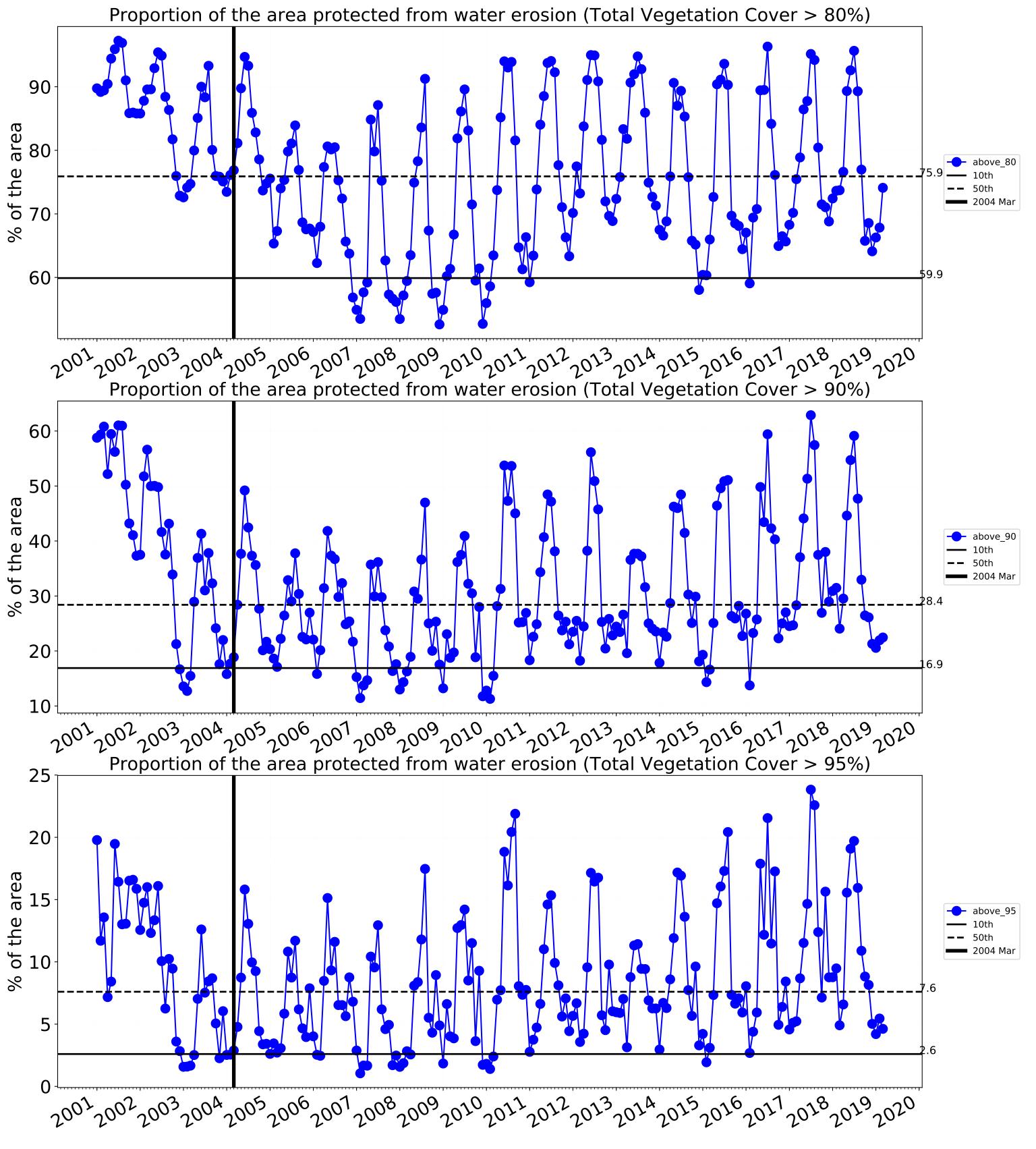


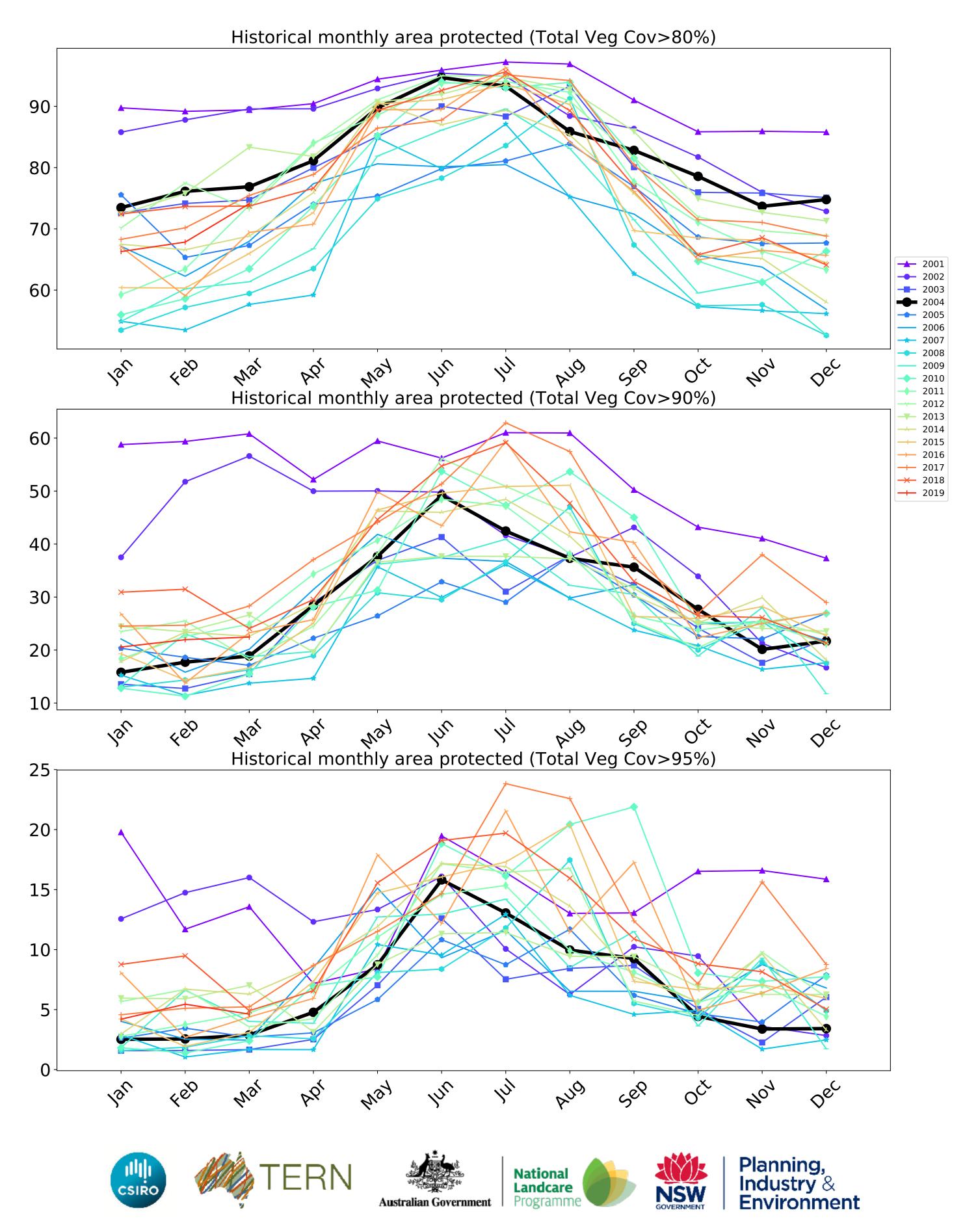
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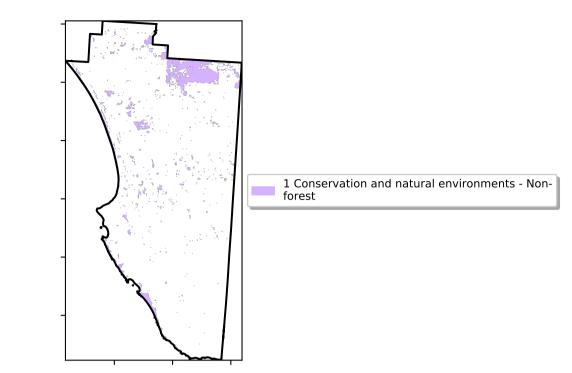
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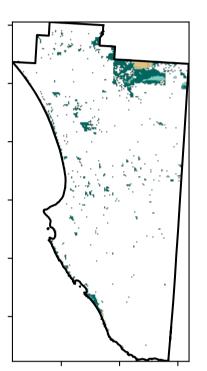


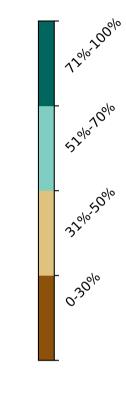
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Land use and forest cover

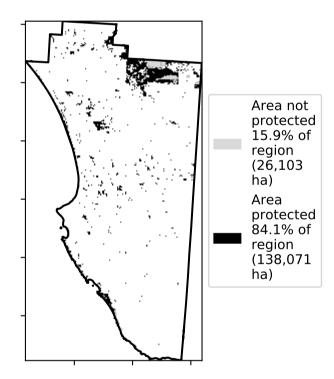


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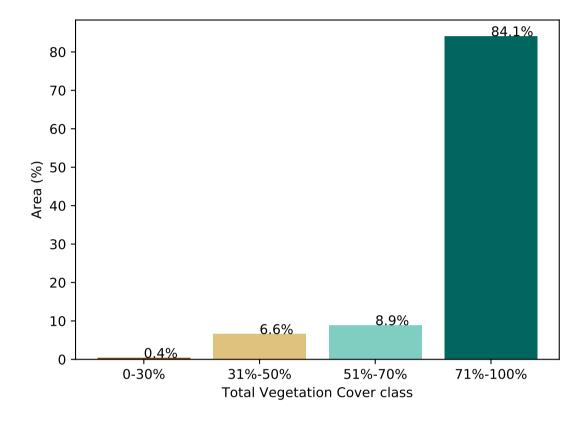




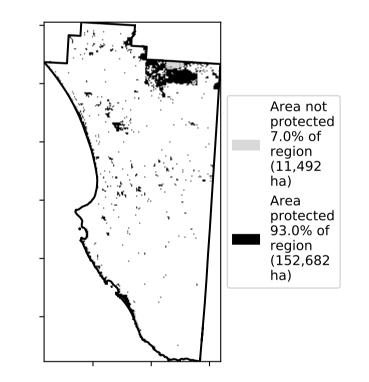
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



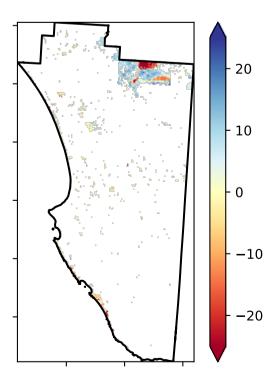
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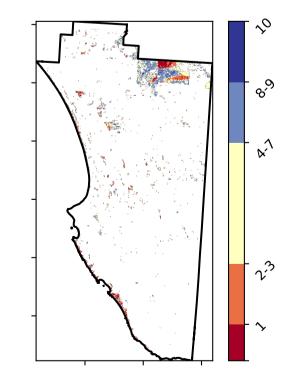
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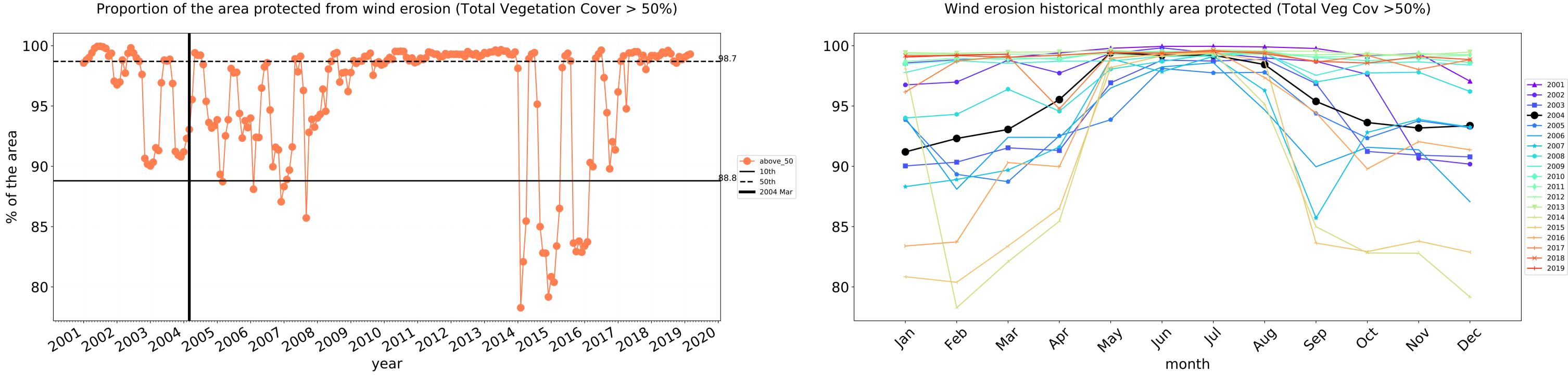
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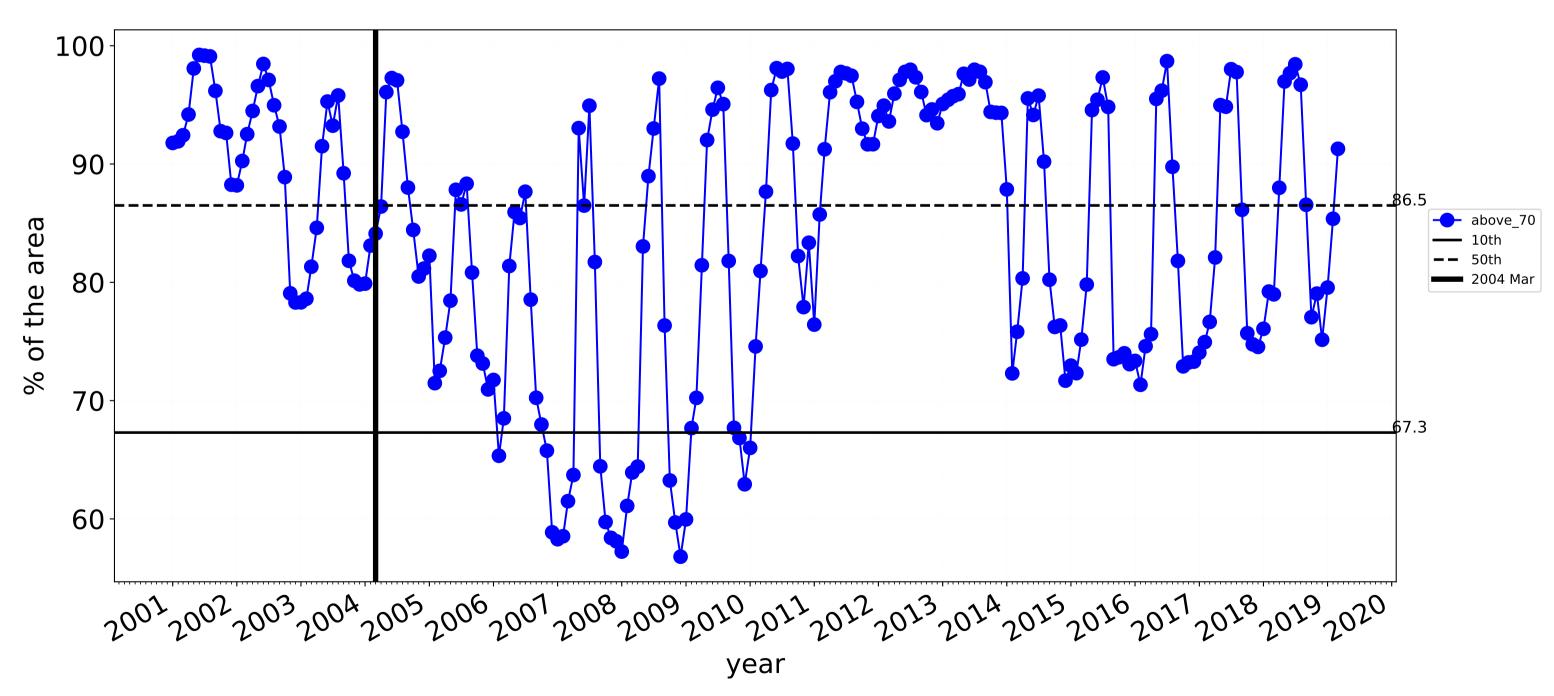
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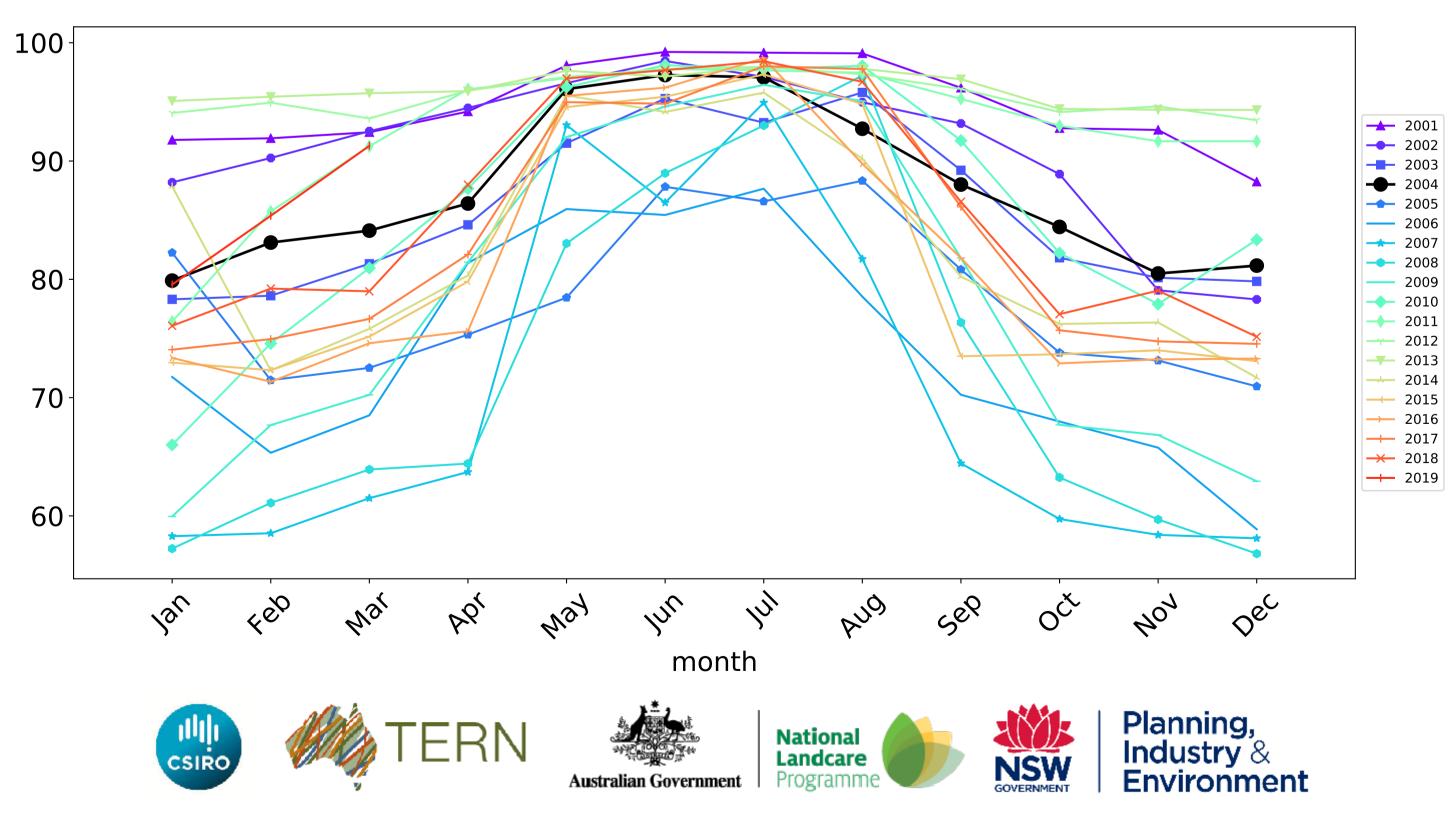
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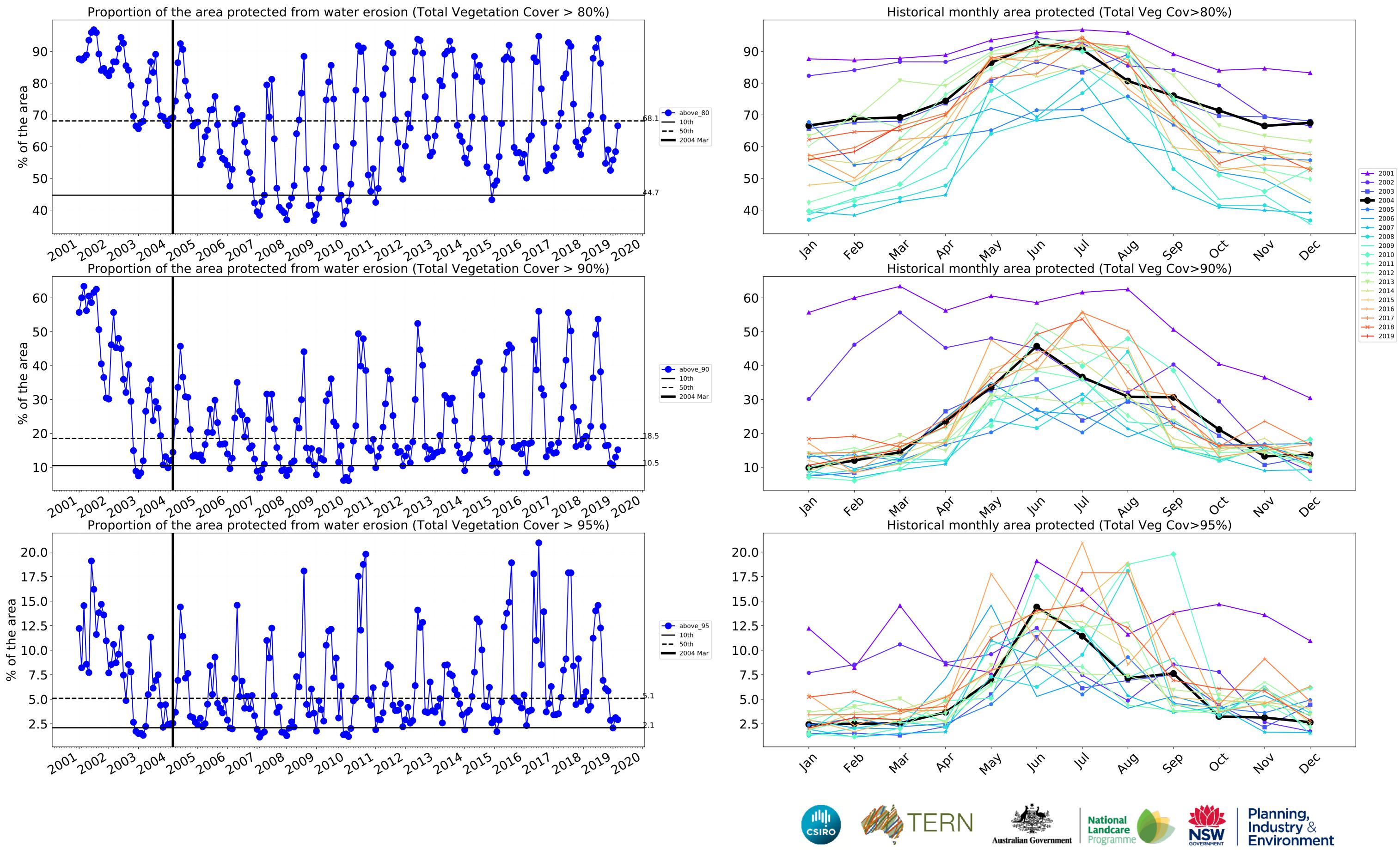


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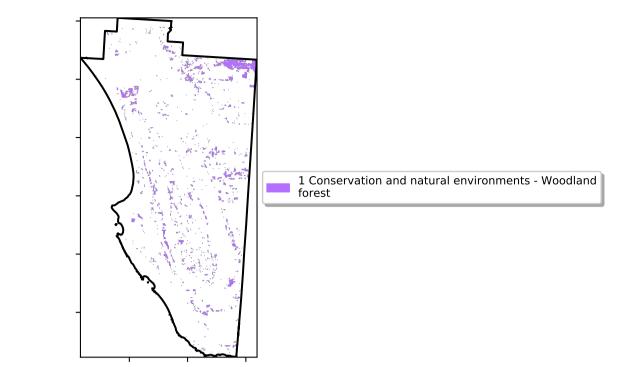




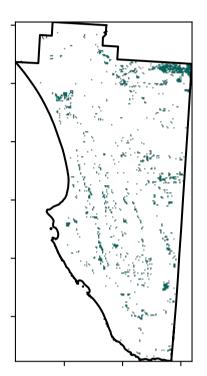


### **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest**

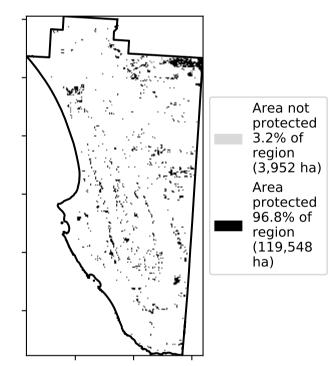
Land use and forest cover

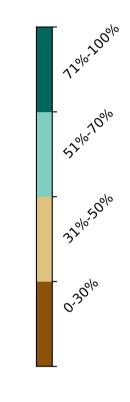


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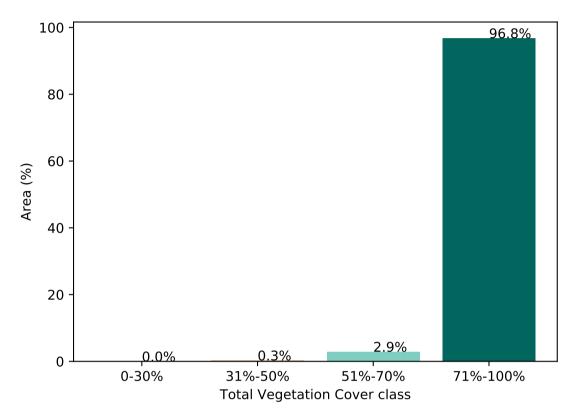




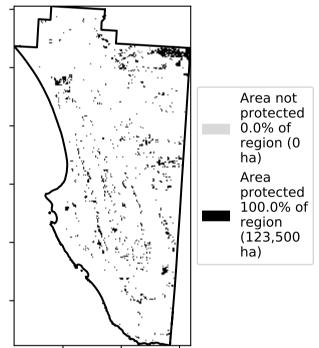




#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

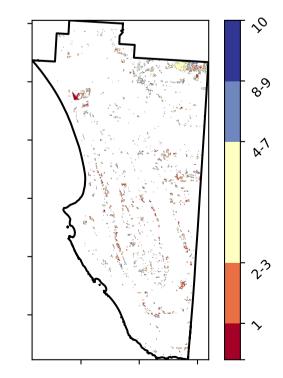


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



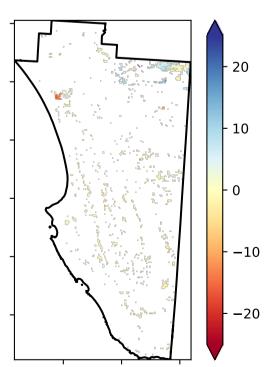
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



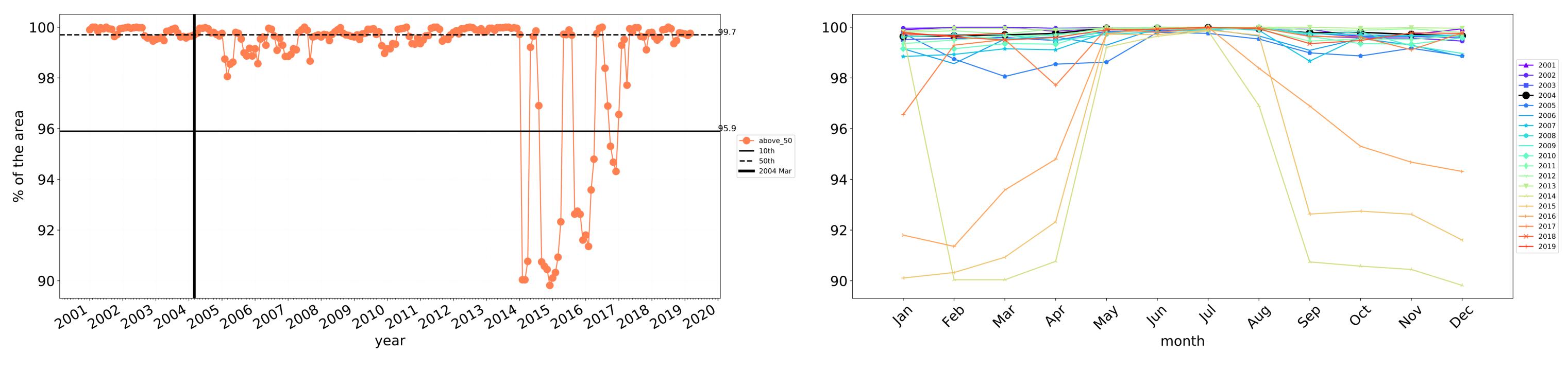
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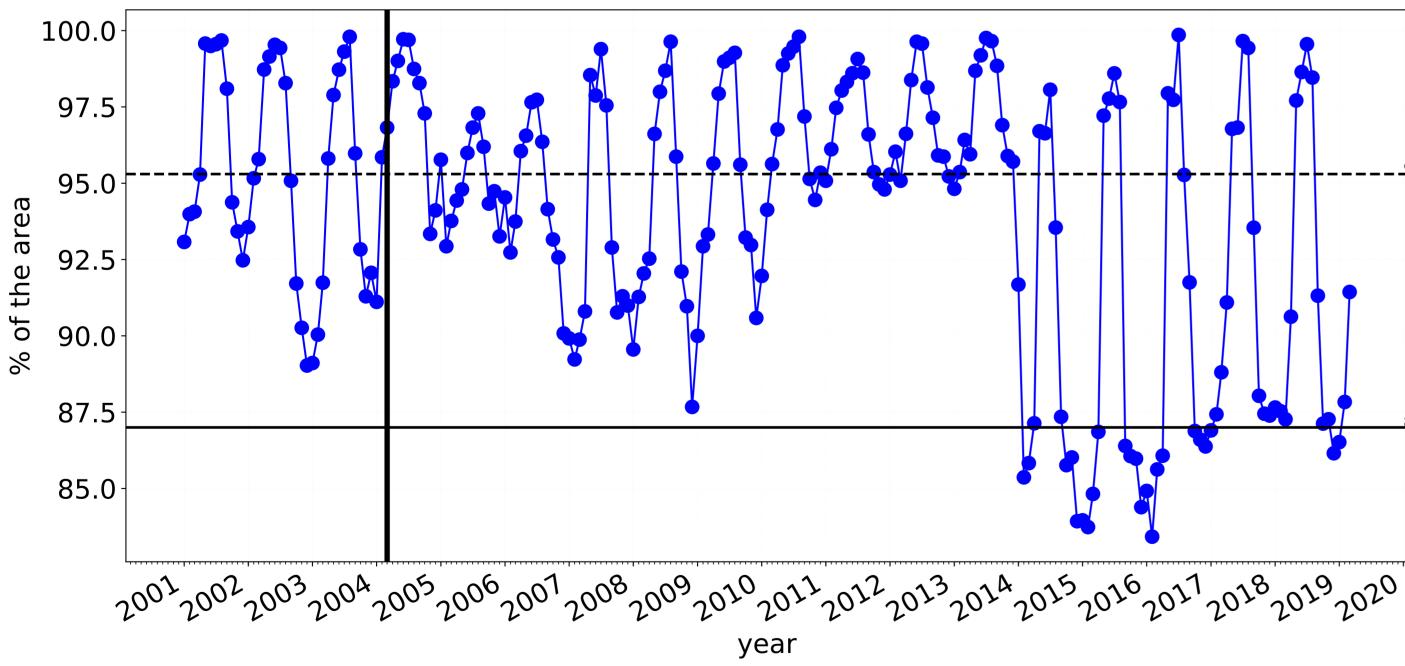
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



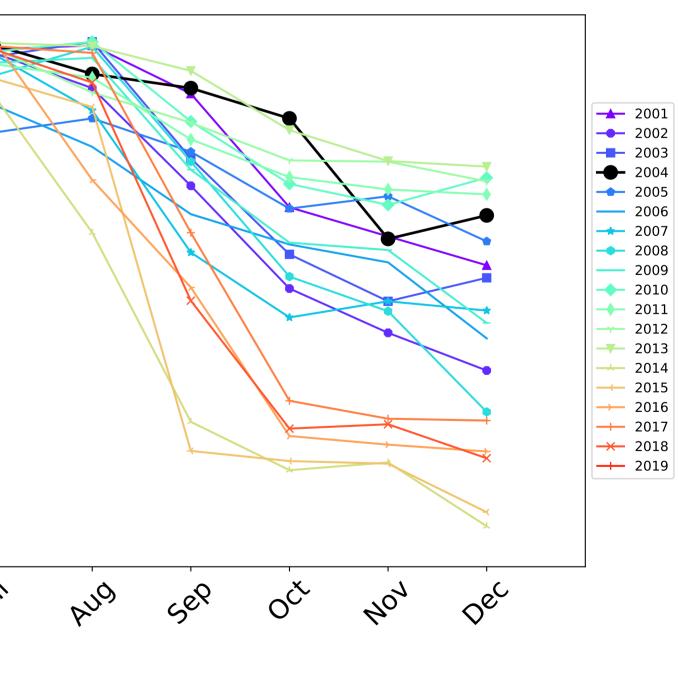


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

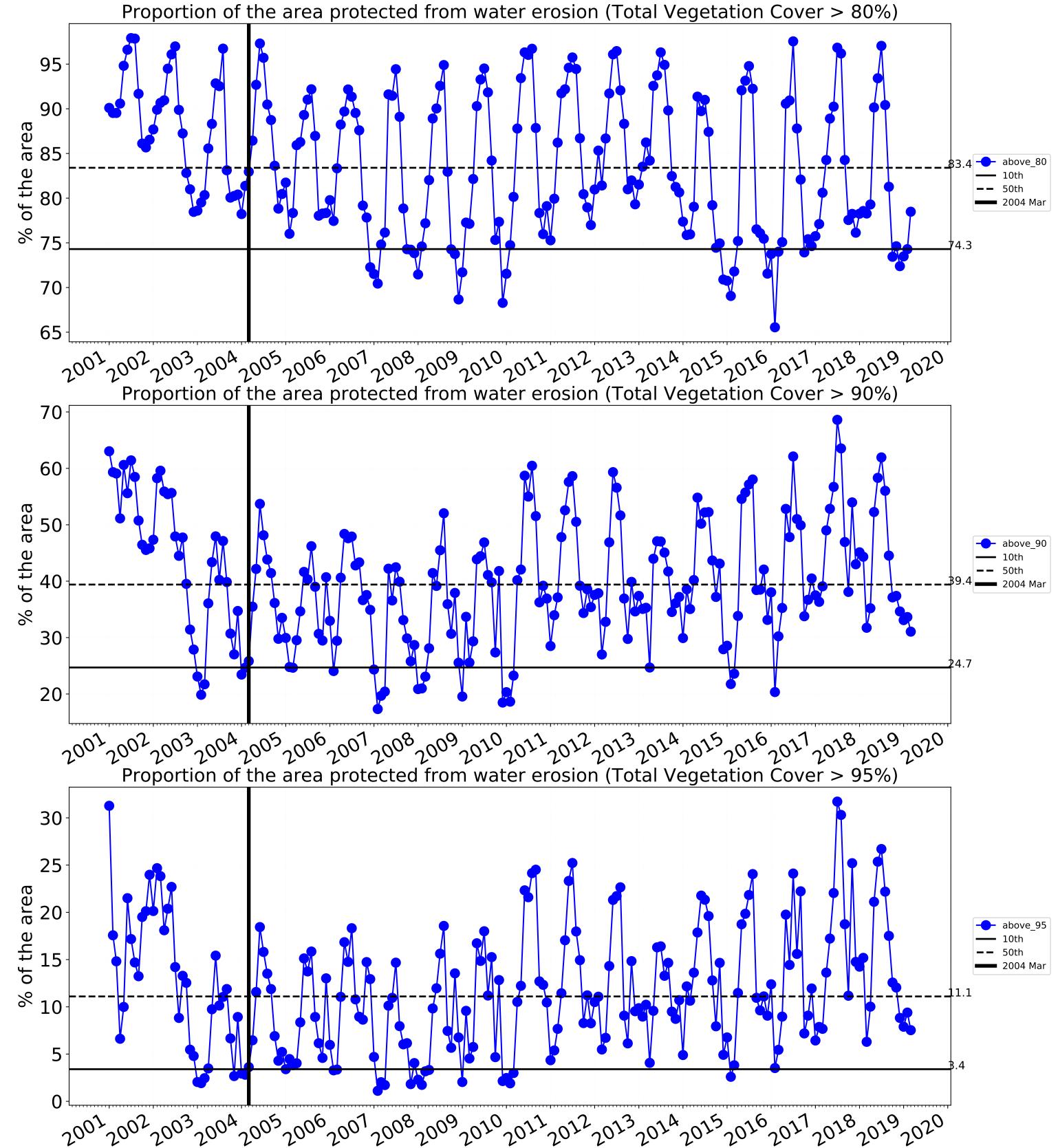
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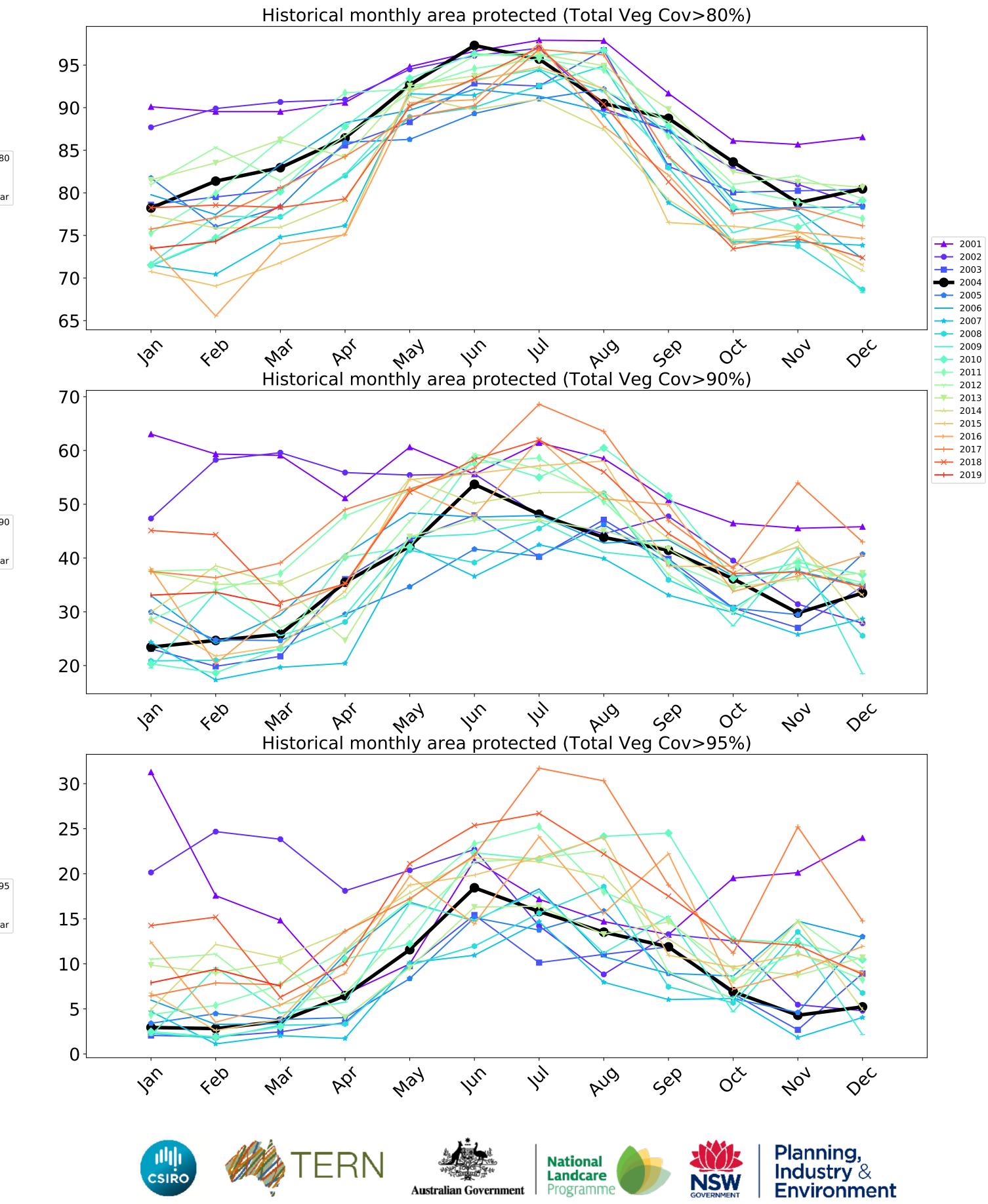
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)





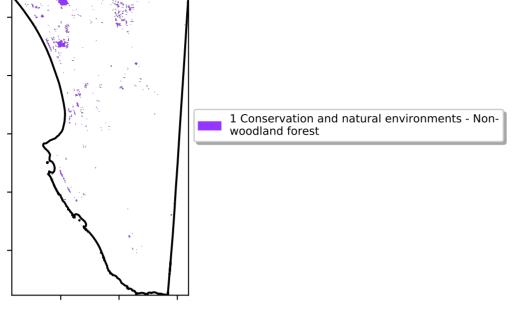




### **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

Land use and forest cover





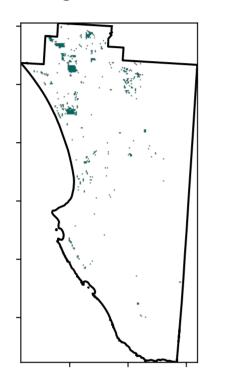
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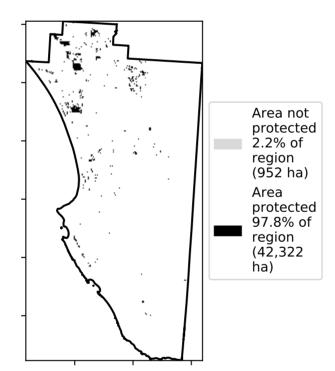
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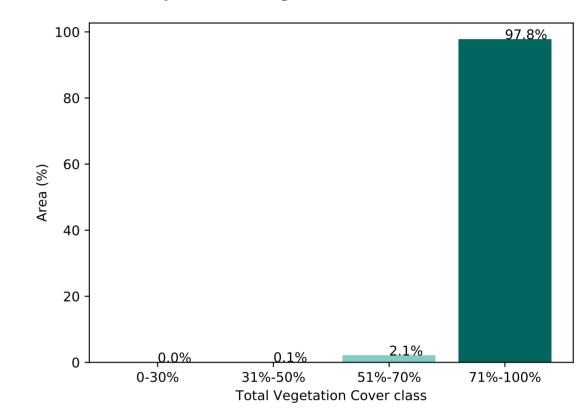
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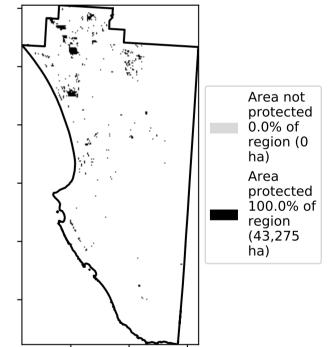




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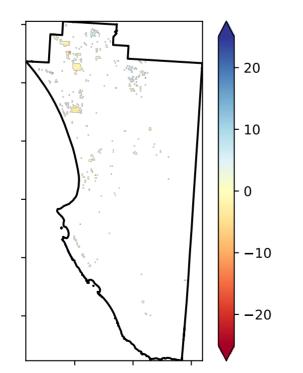


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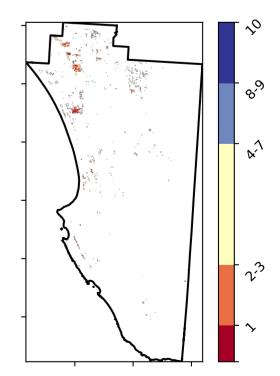
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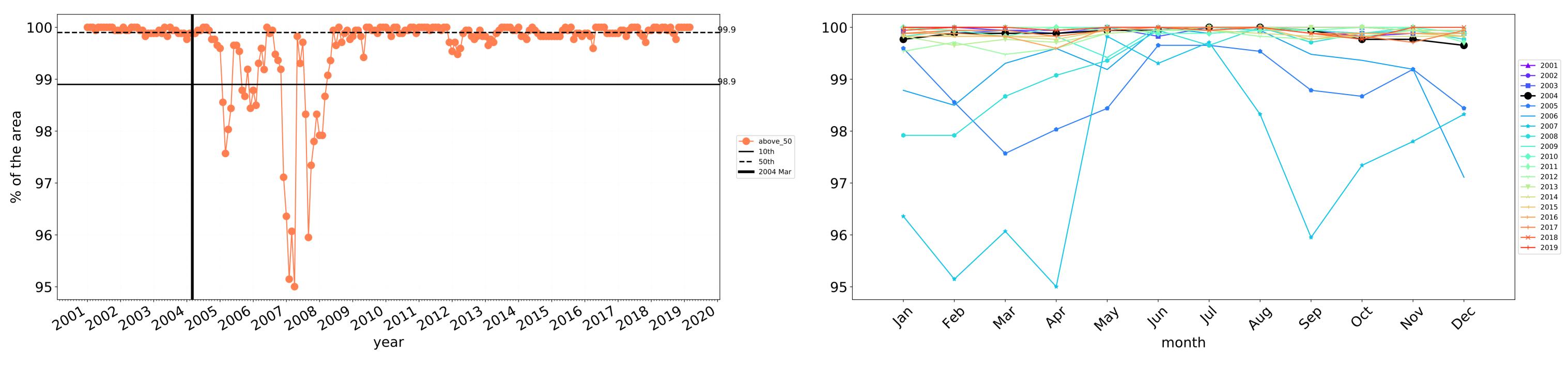
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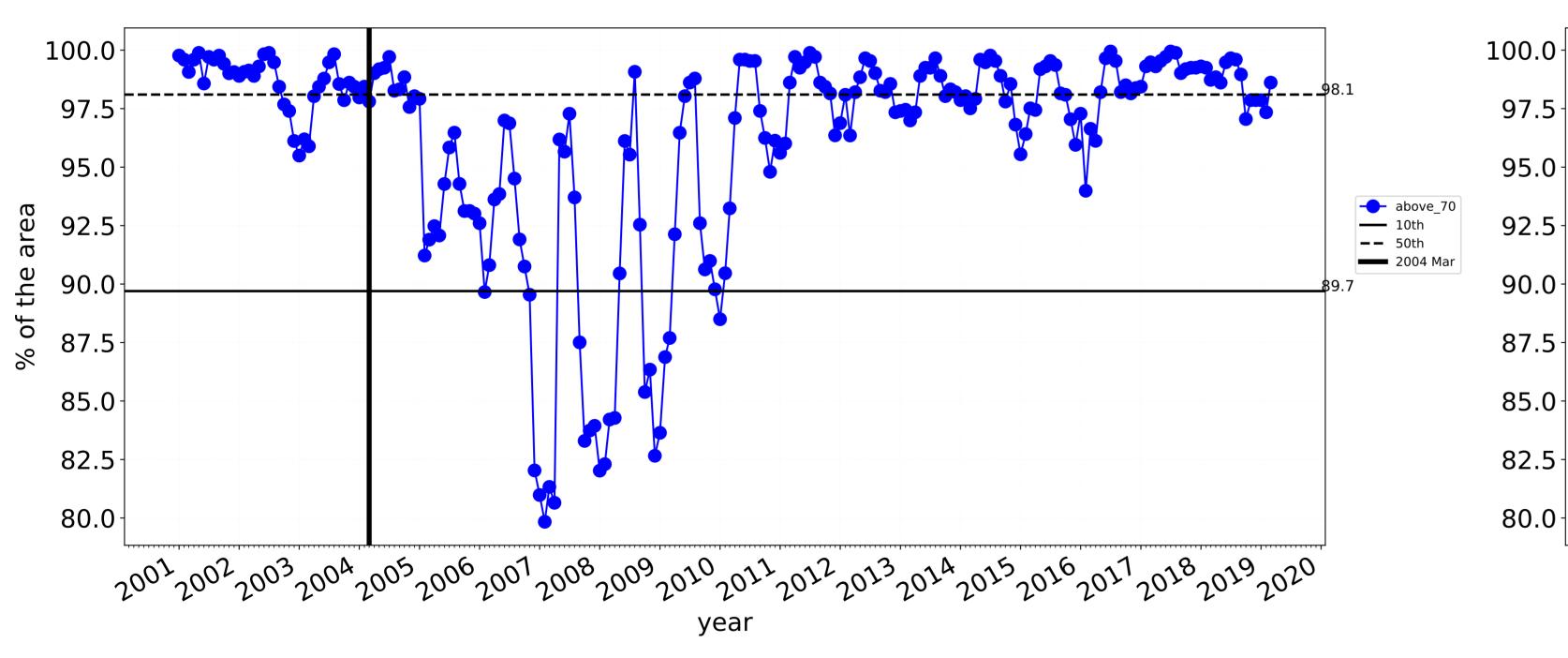


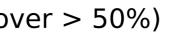
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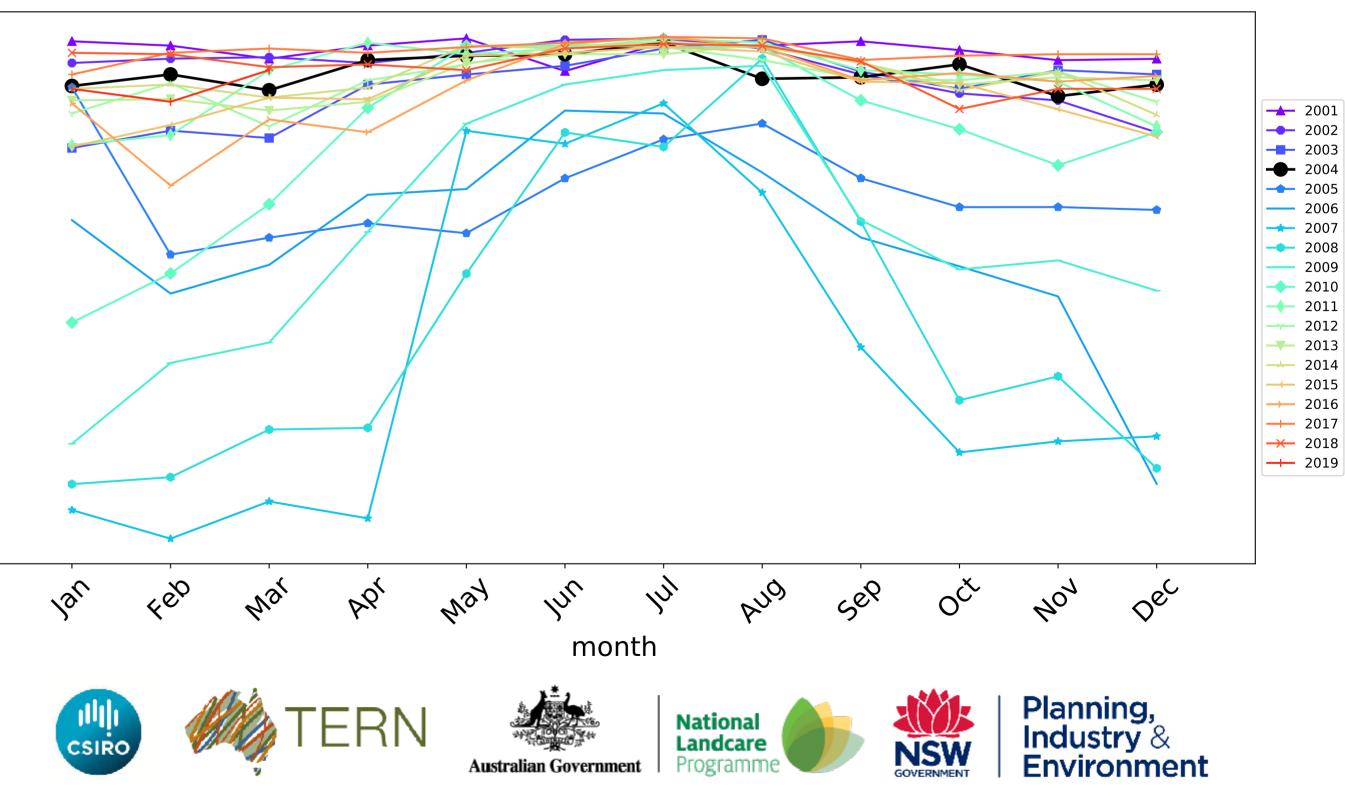
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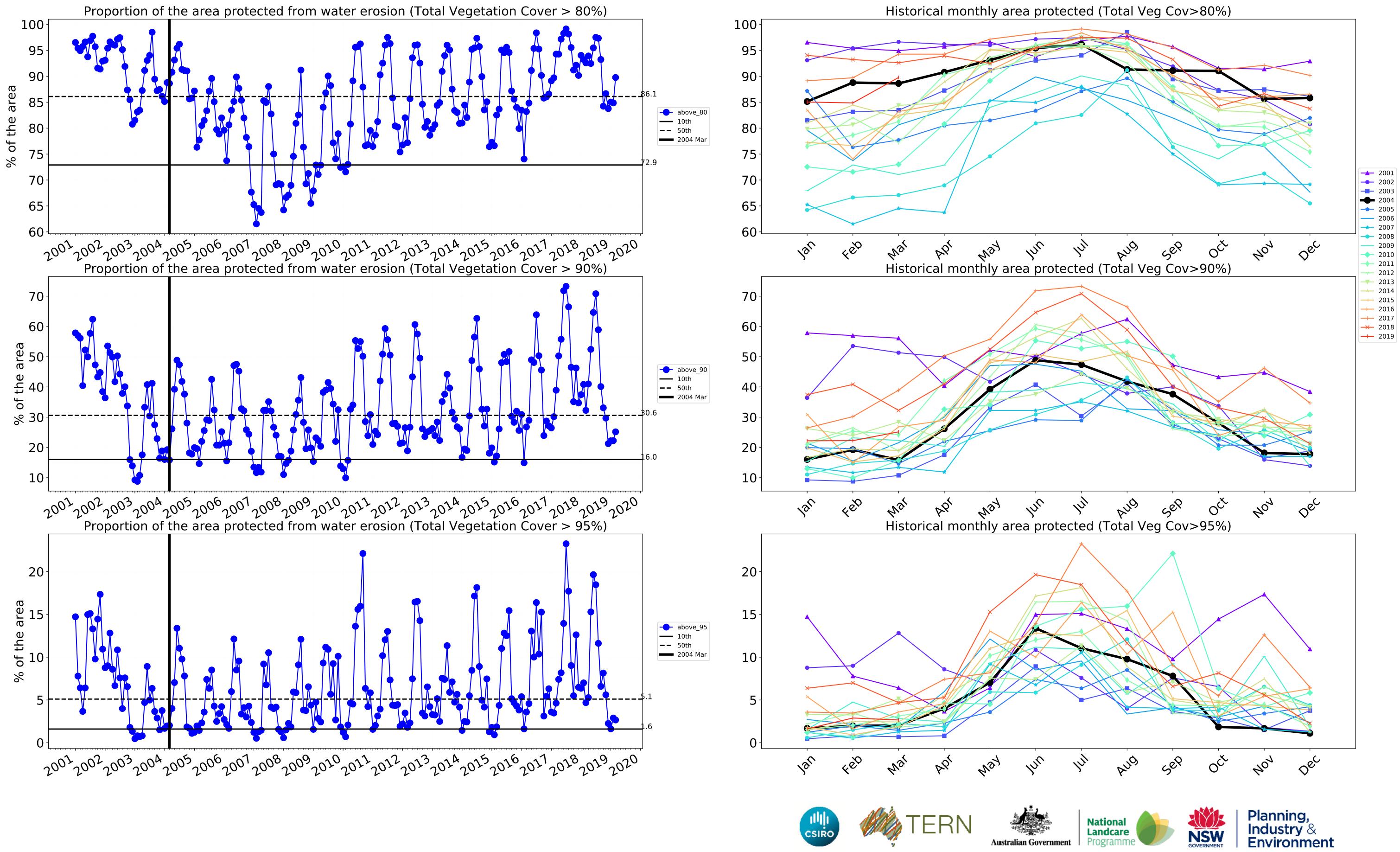




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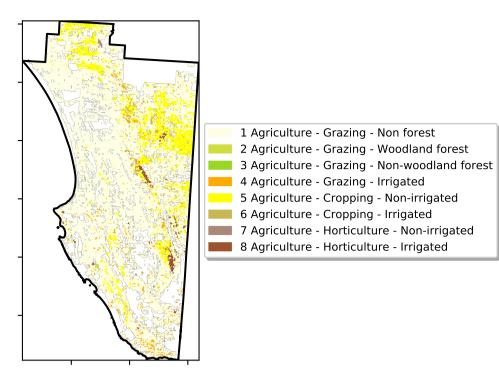




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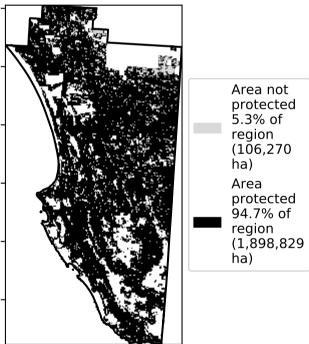
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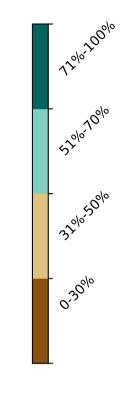
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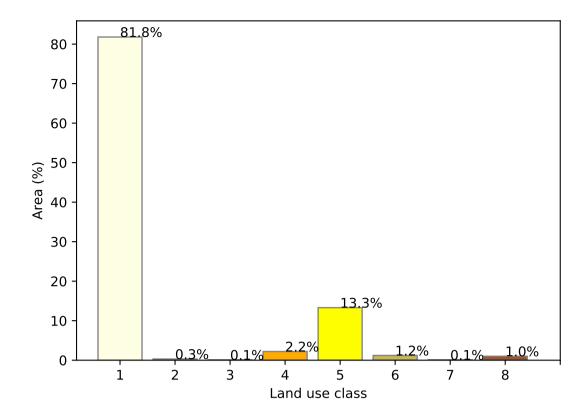




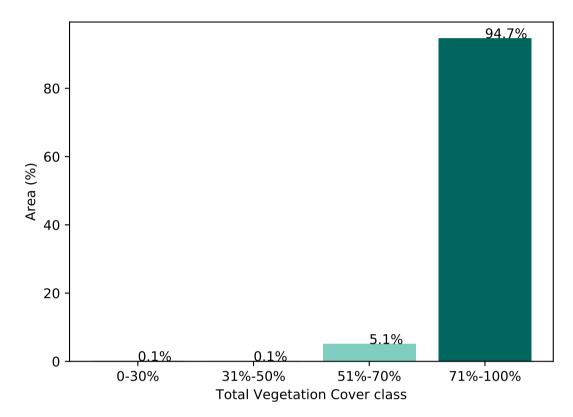




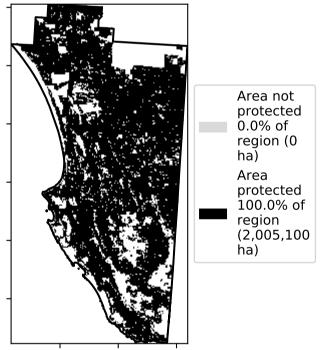
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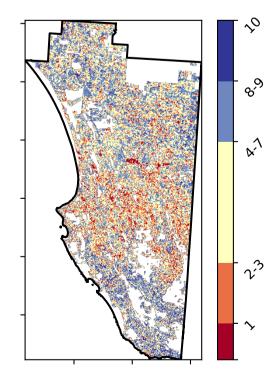
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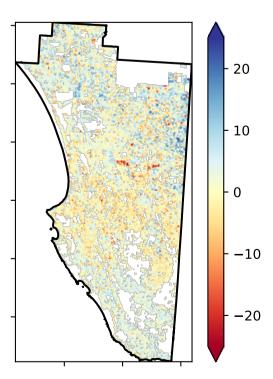


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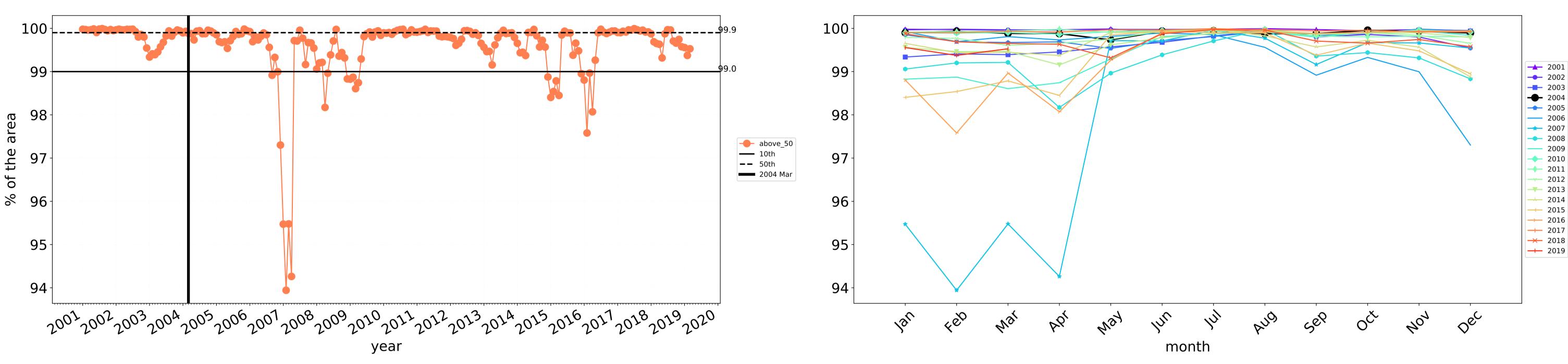
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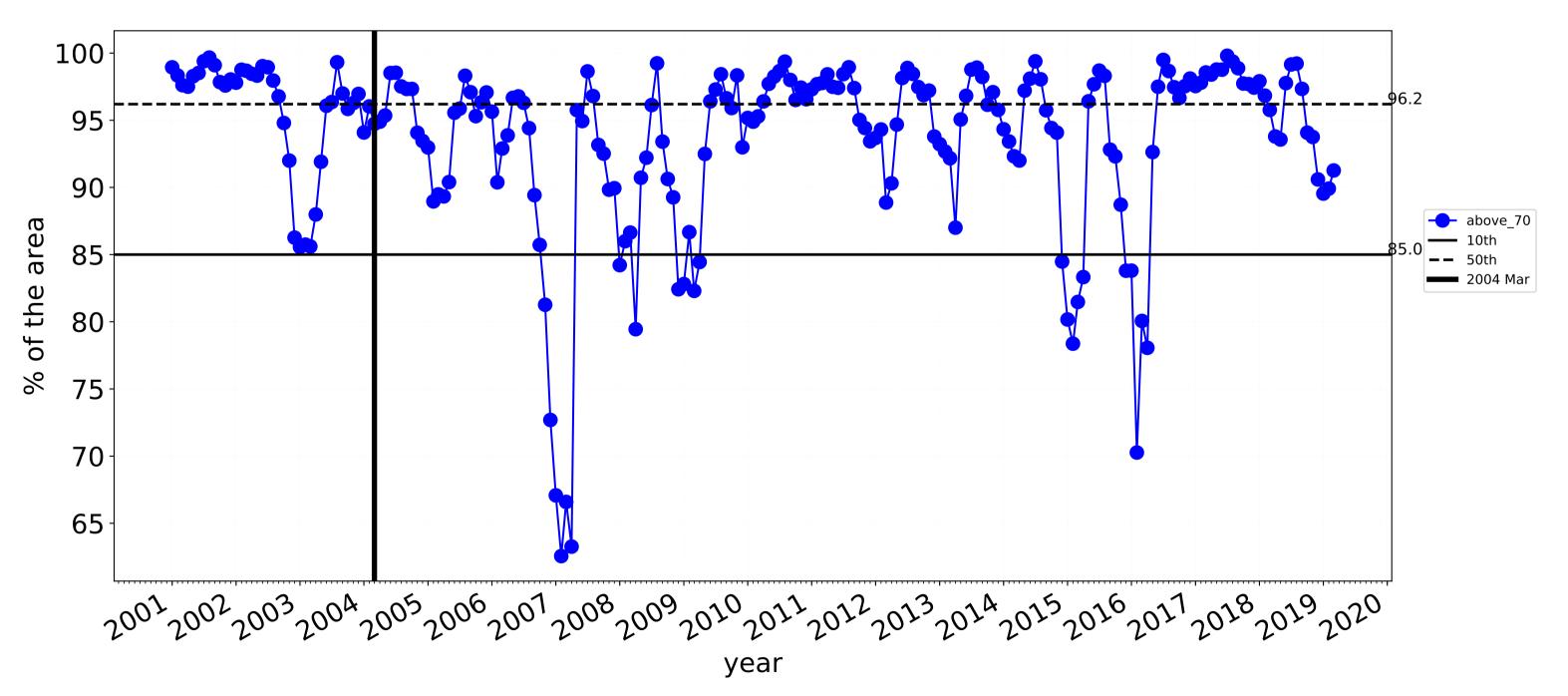
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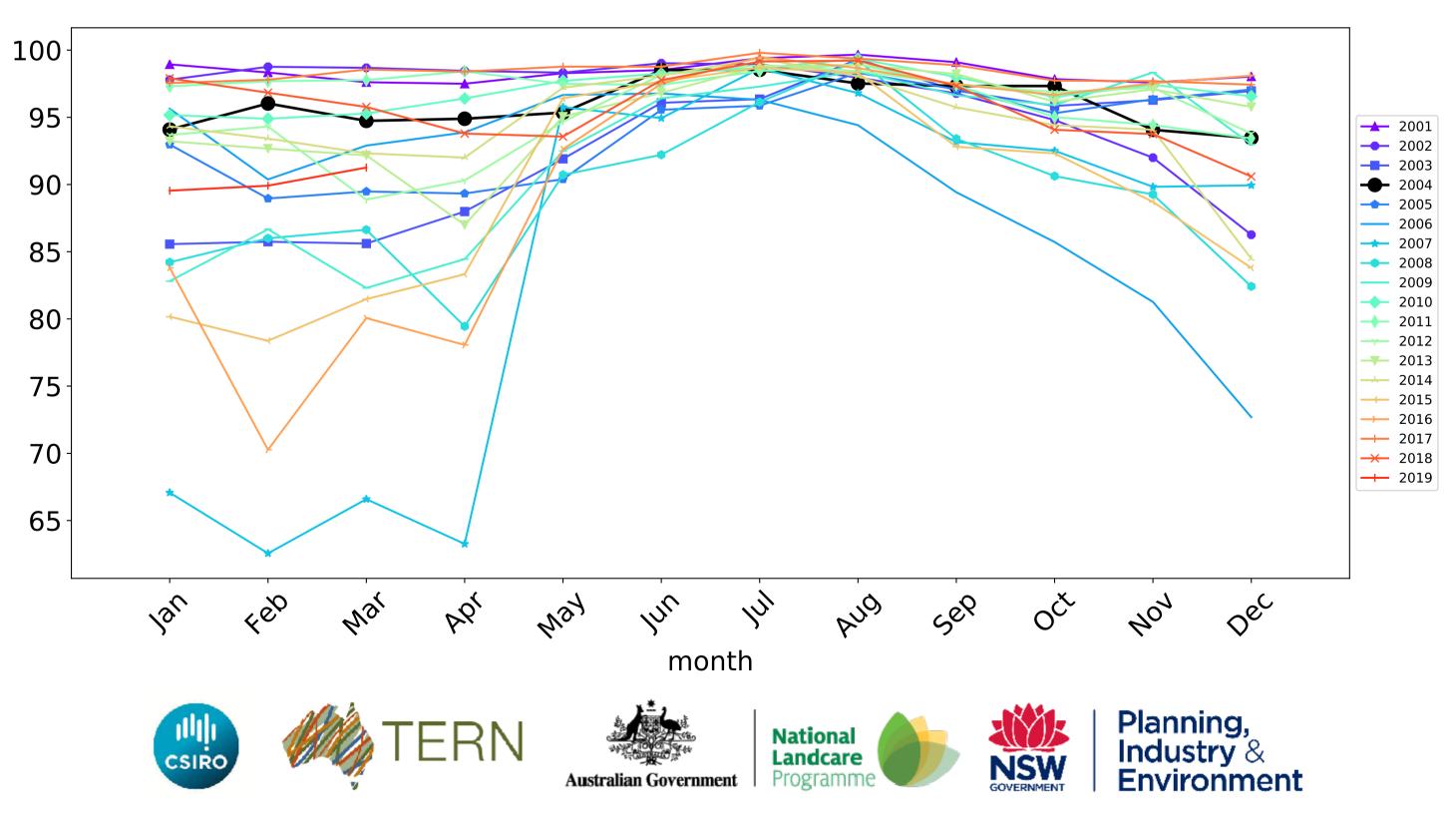
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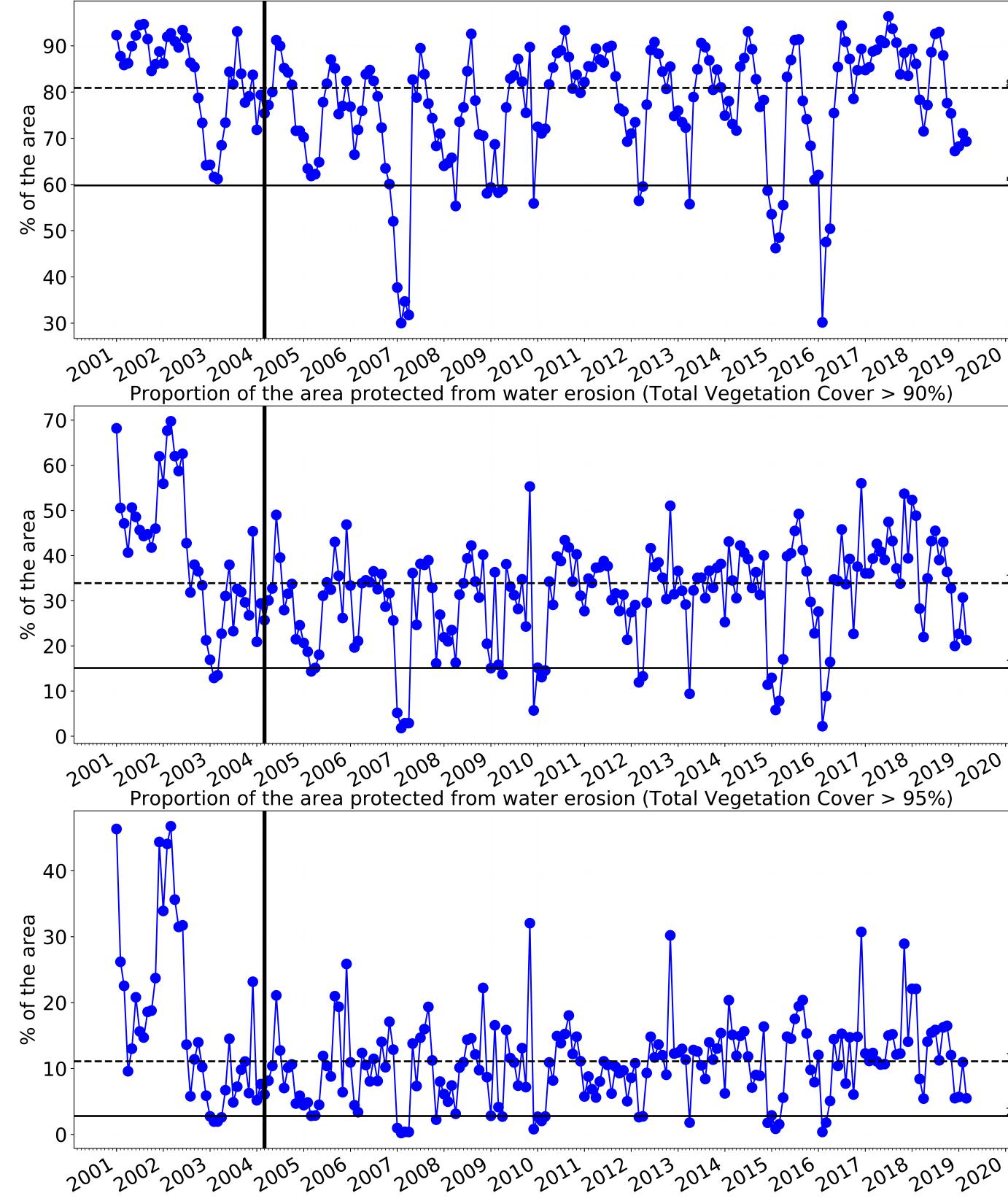


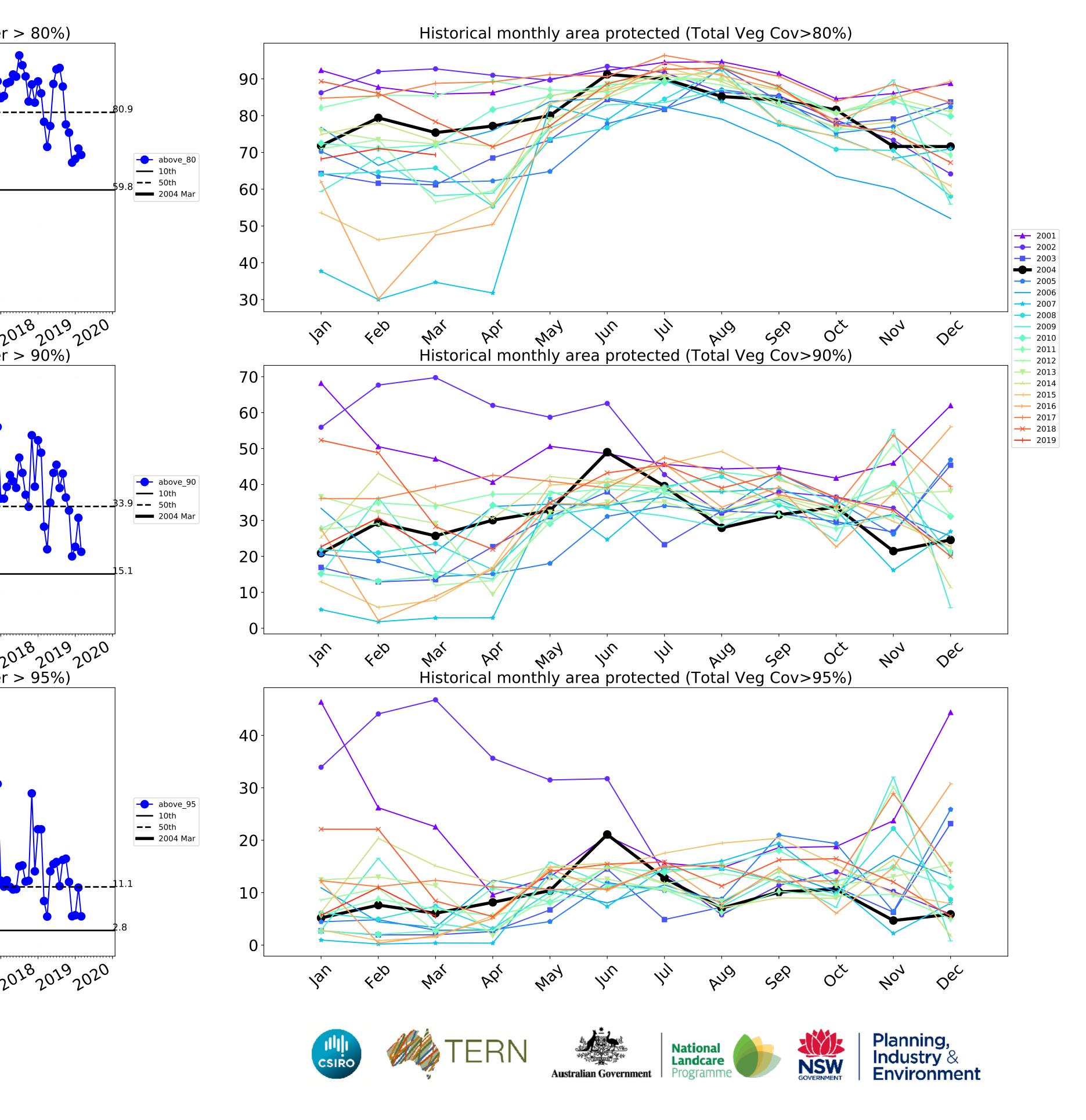
### **Agriculture timeseries**

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



Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 80%)

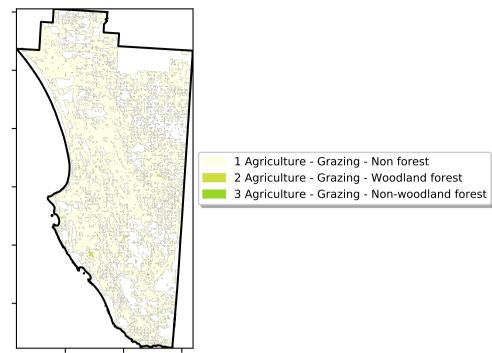




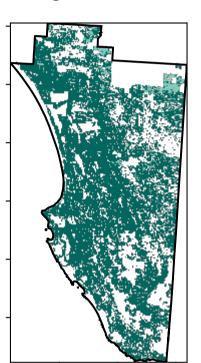
### Grazing

#### Land use and forest cover

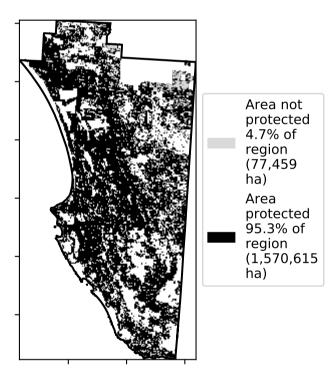
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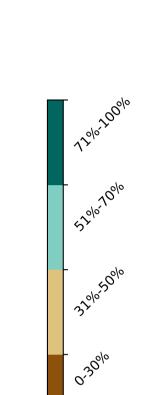


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

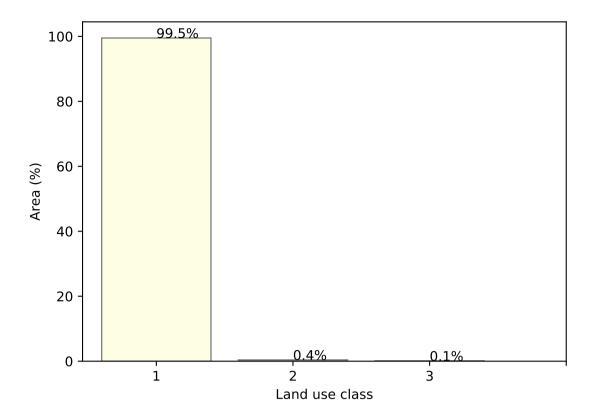




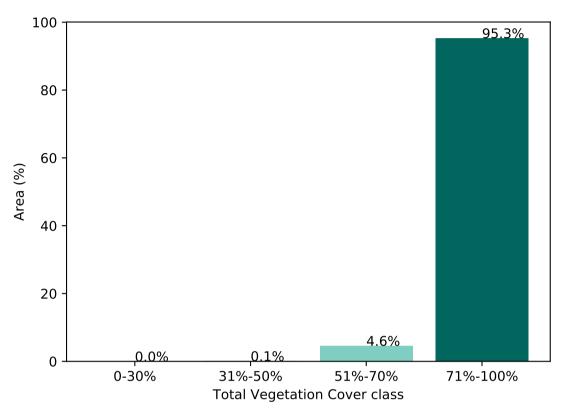




#### Proportion of each land class in area



### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

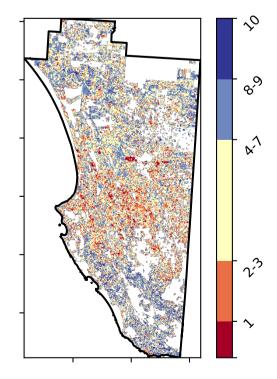


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



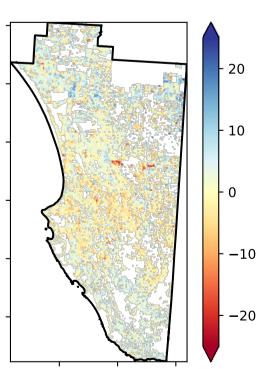
Area not protected 0.0% of region (0 ha) Area protected 100.0% of region (1,648,075 ha)

#### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



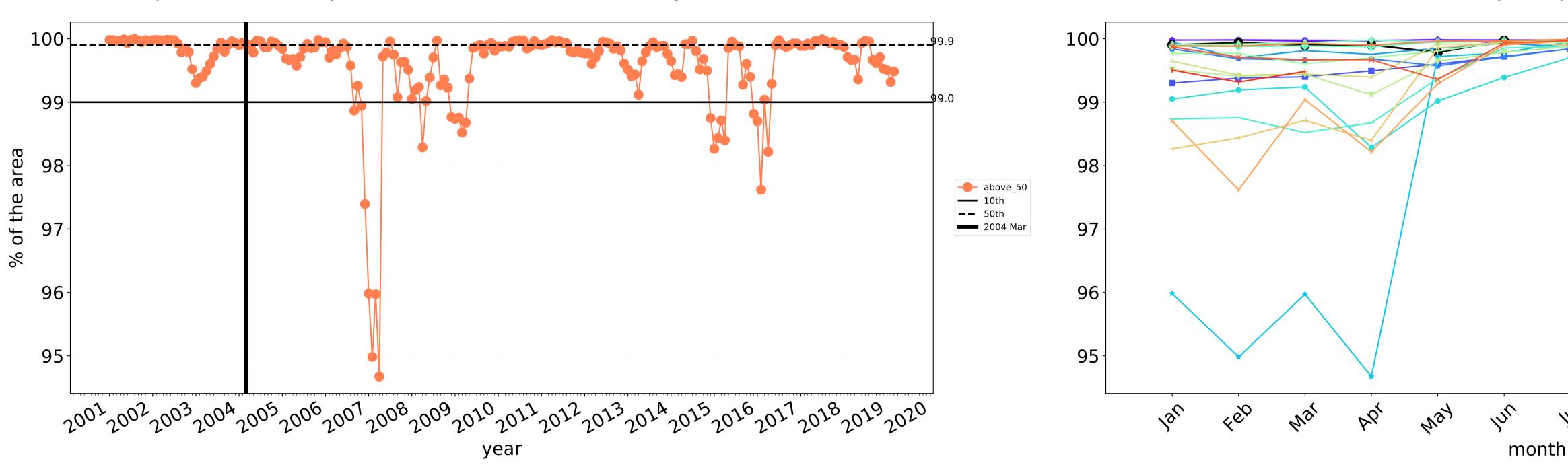
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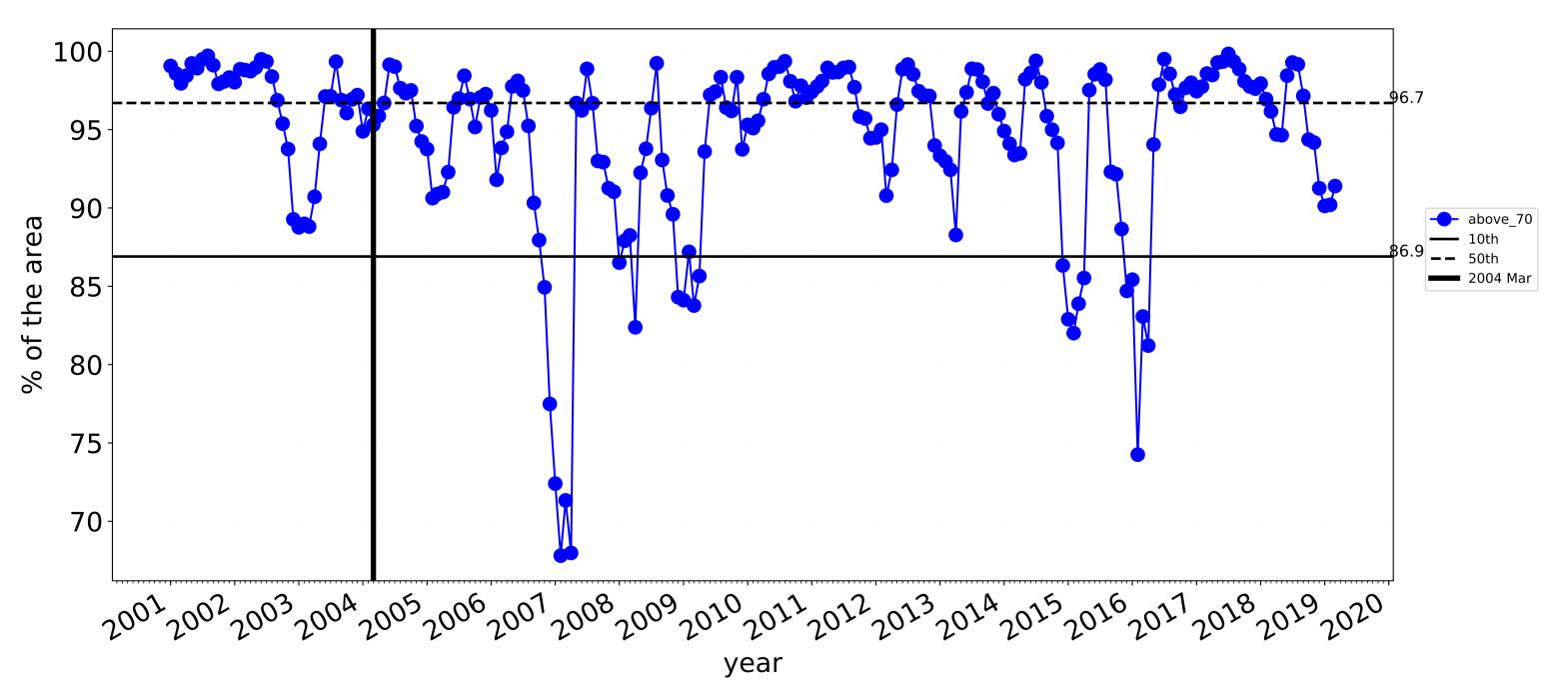
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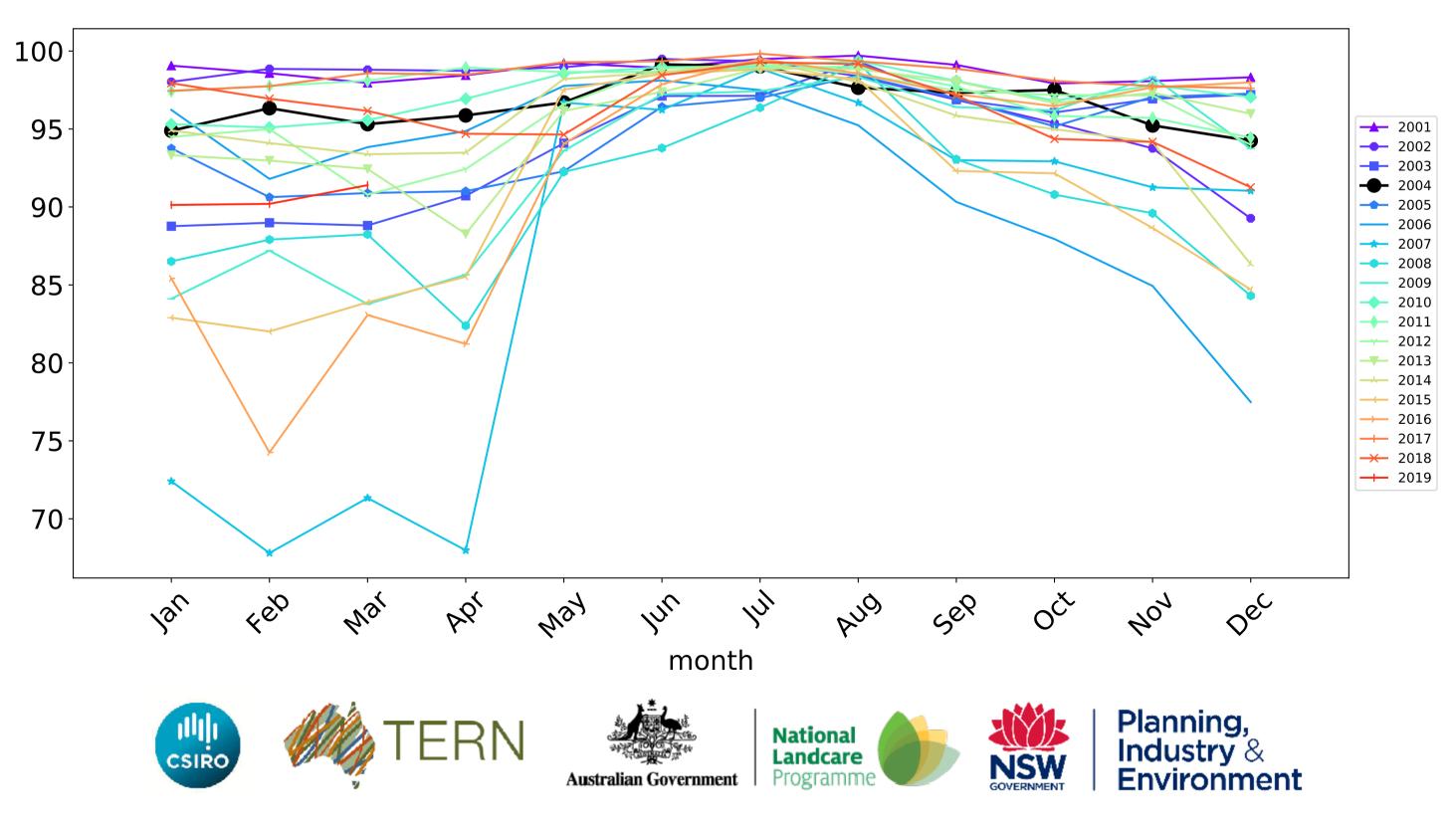
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

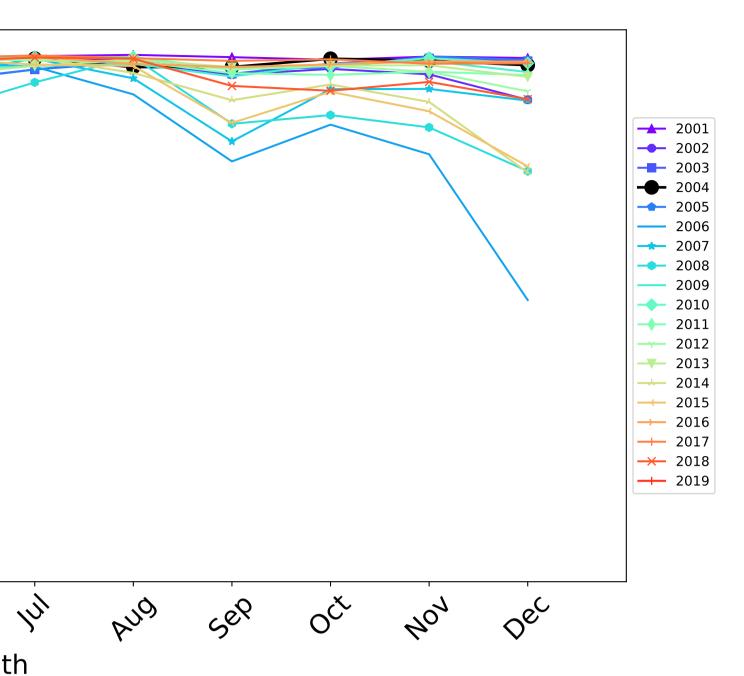
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

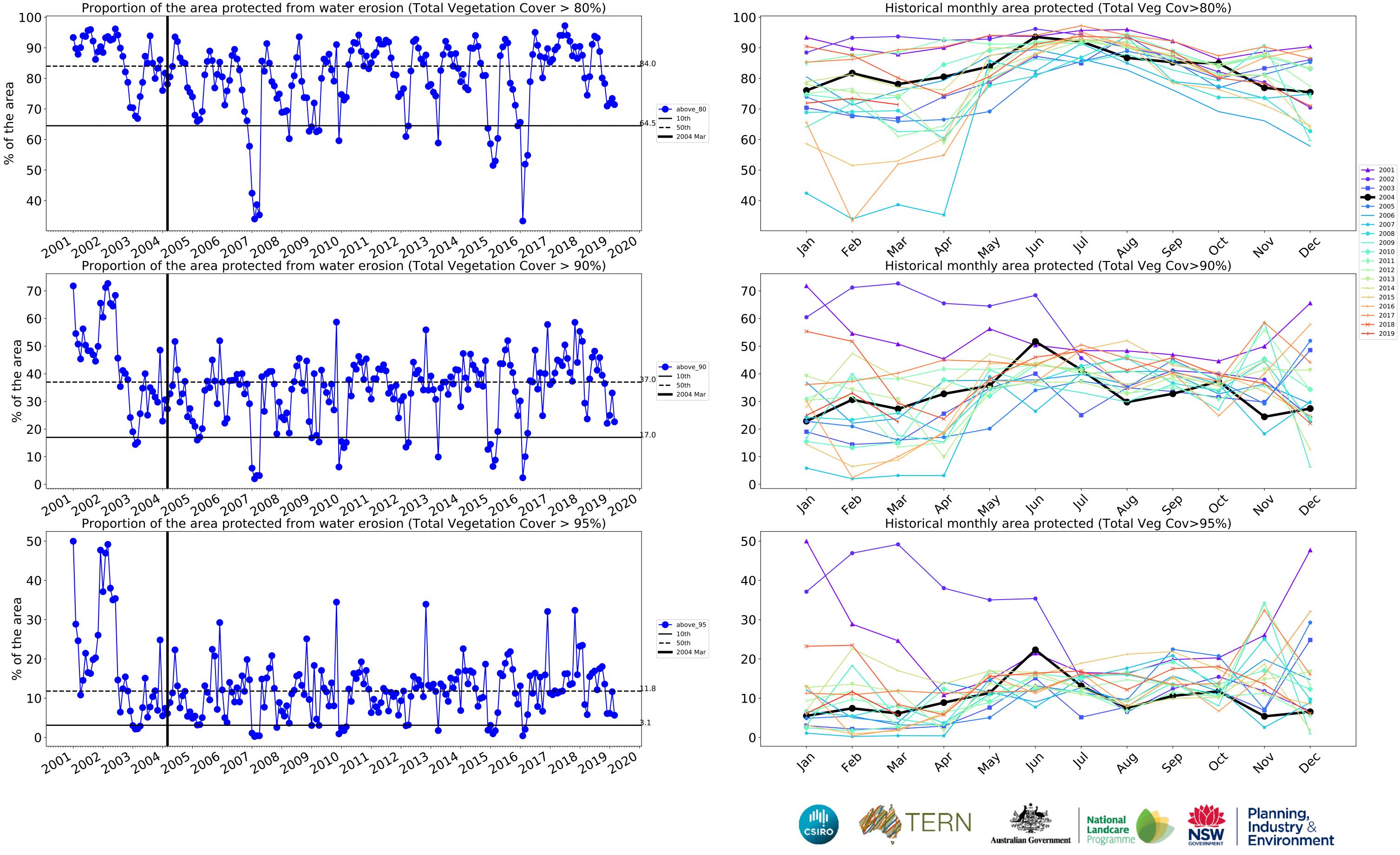


### Grazing timeseries

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

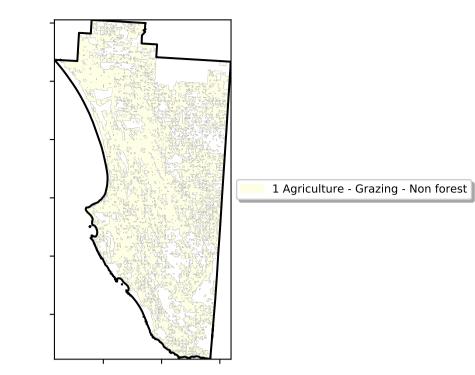




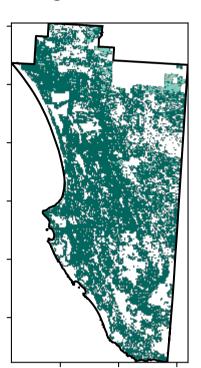


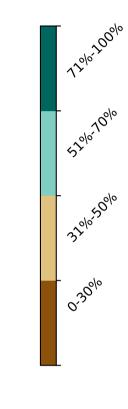
### **Grazing non forest**

#### Land use and forest cover

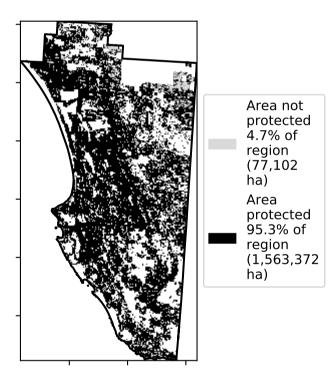


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

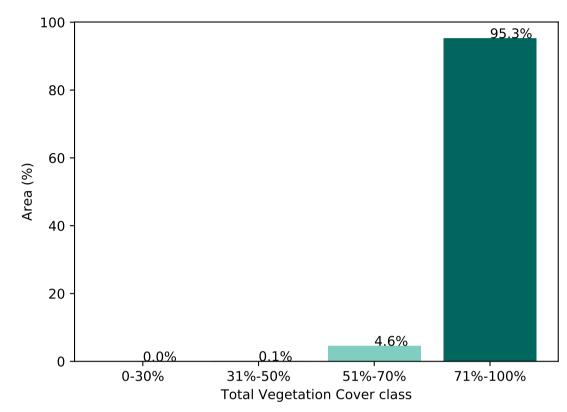




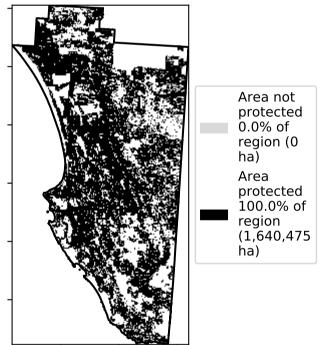
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

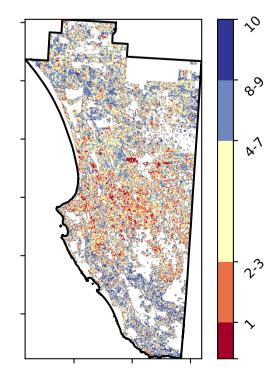


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



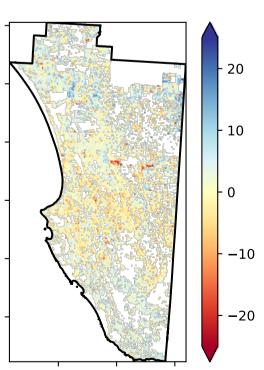
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



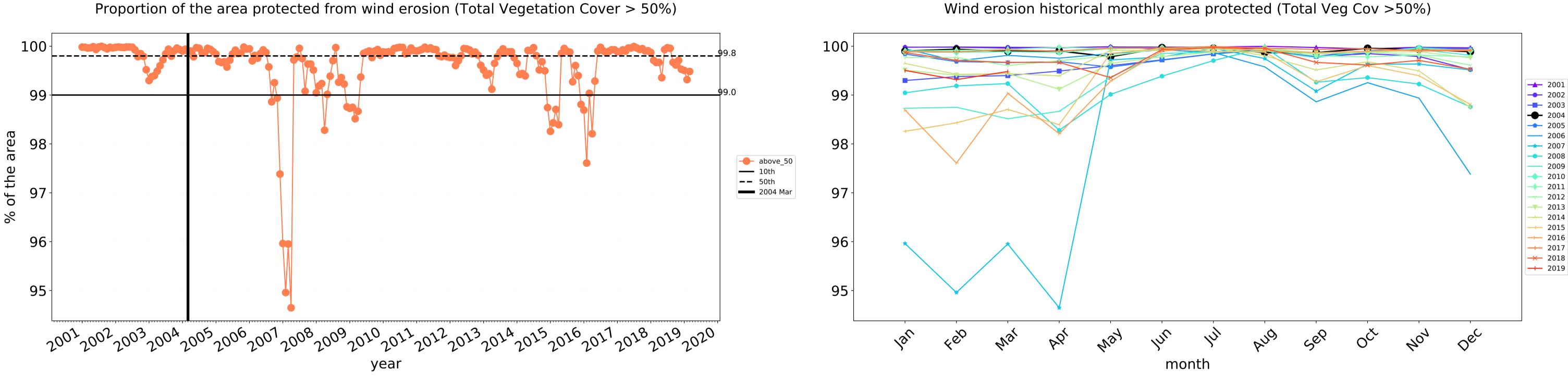
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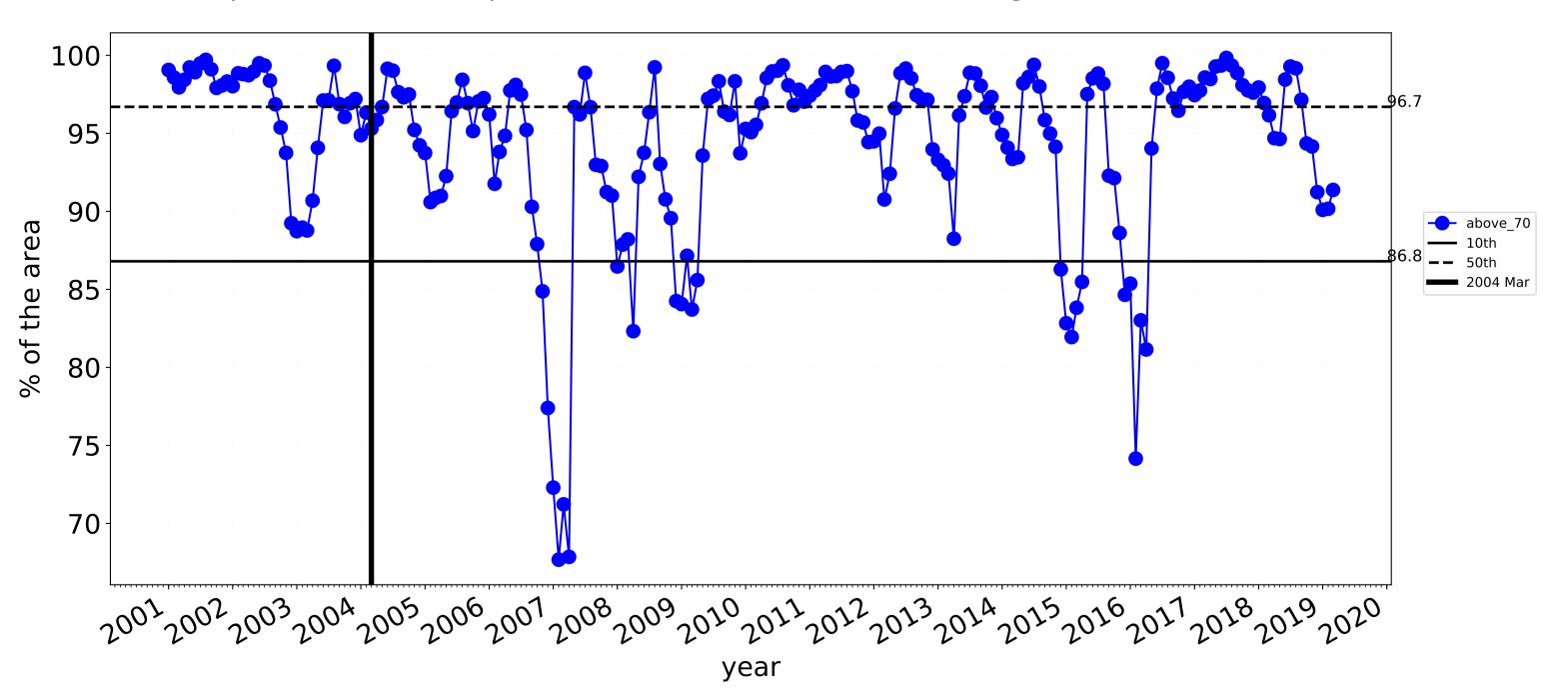
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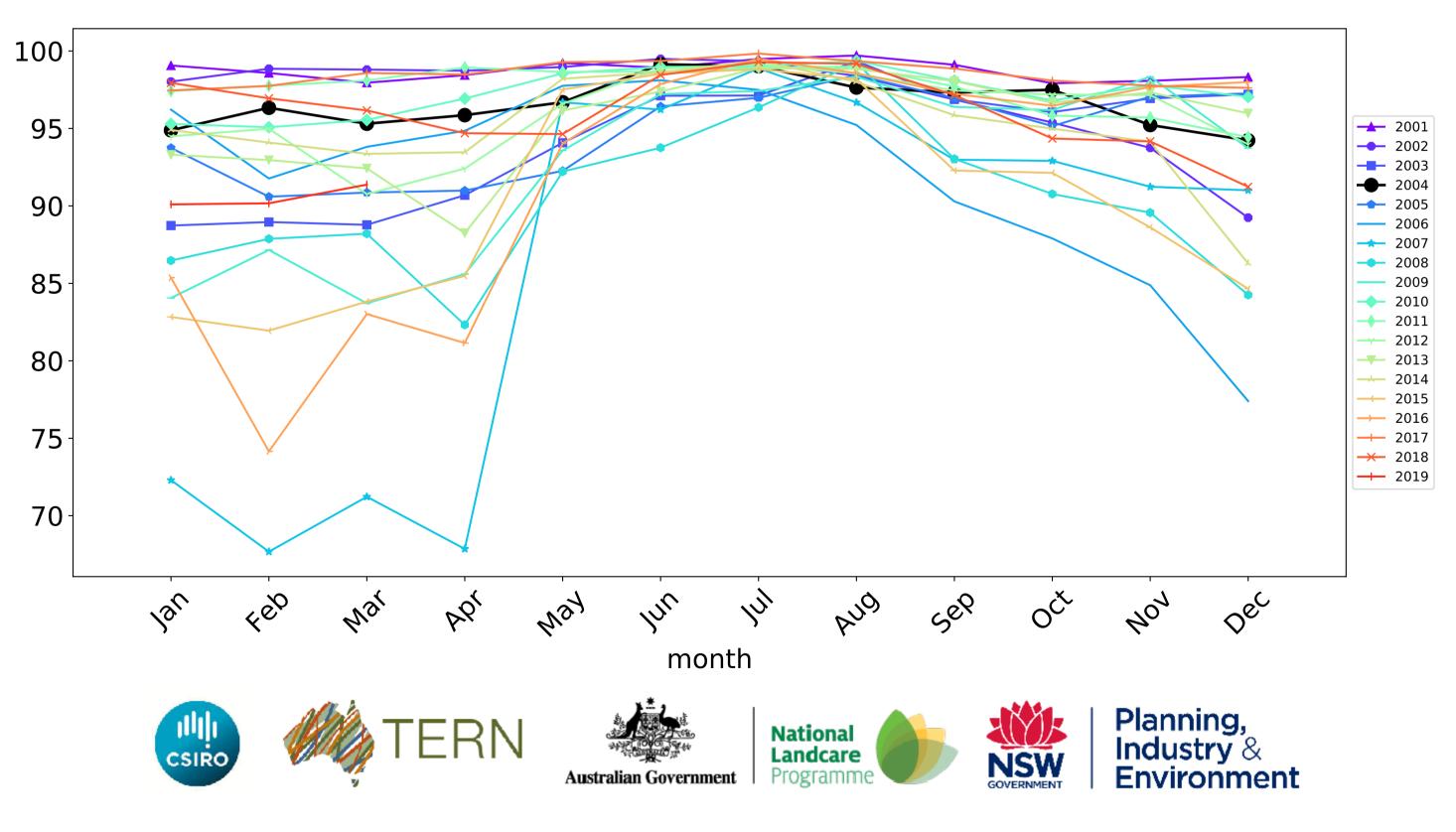


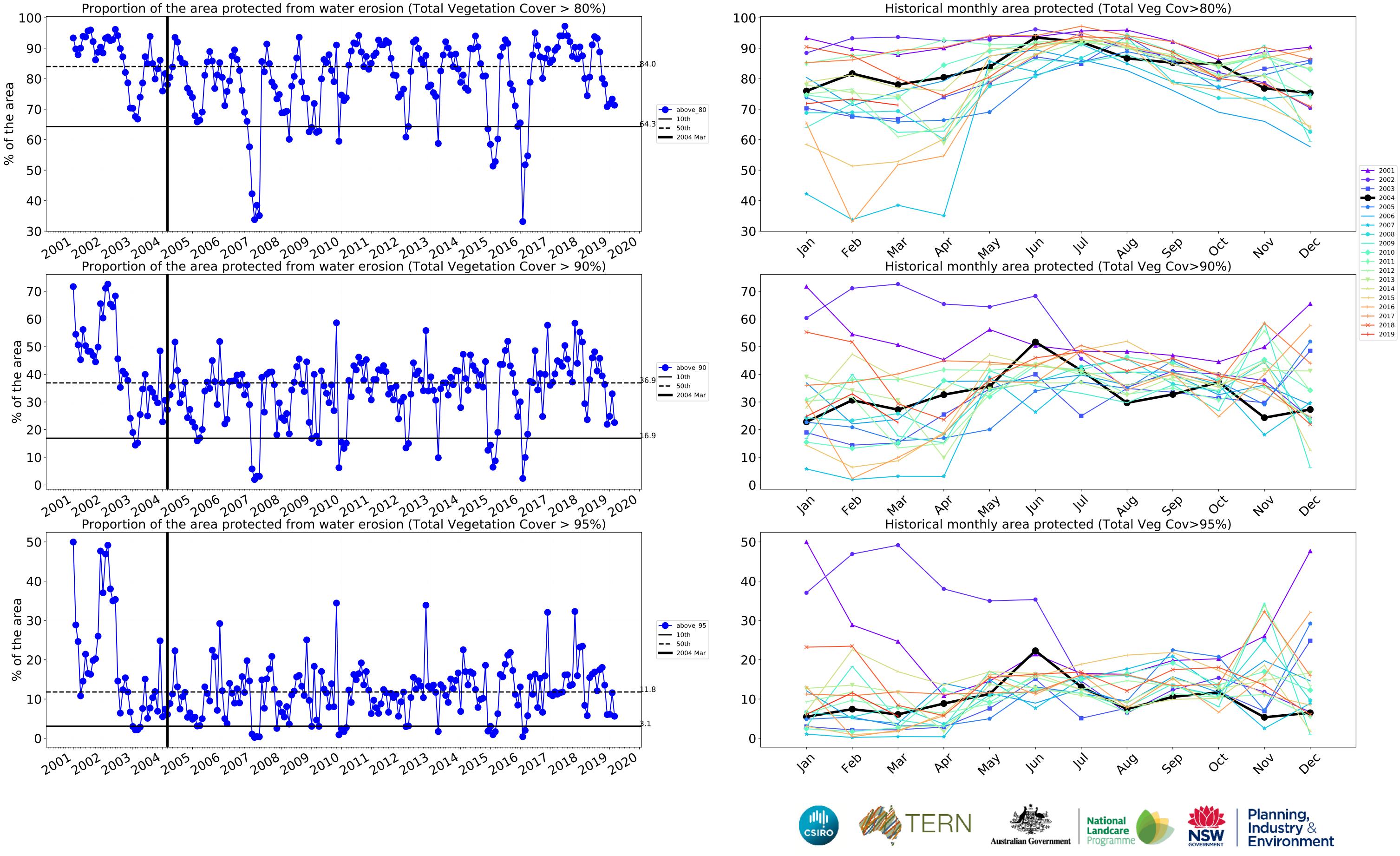
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



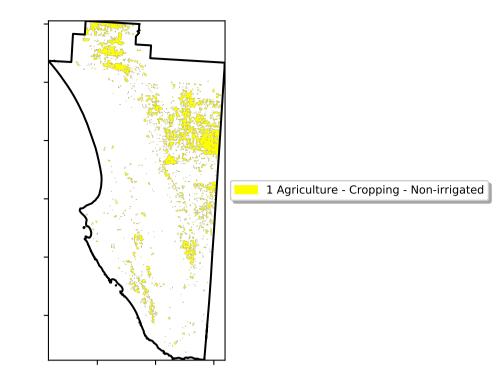
### Grazing non forest timeseries



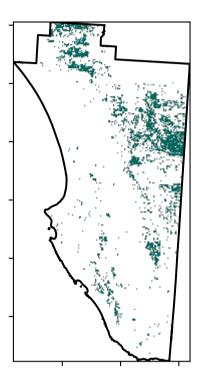


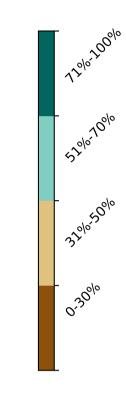
### Cropping

#### Land use and forest cover

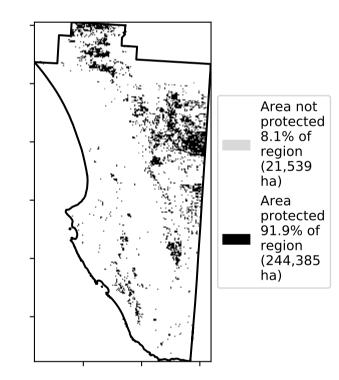


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

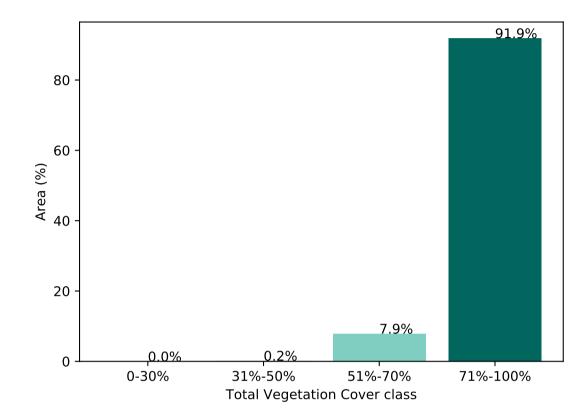




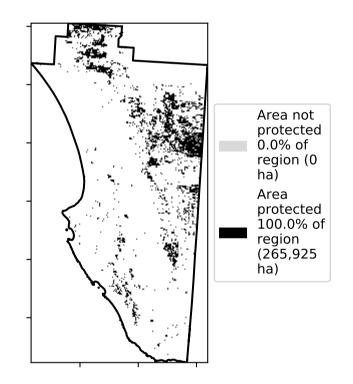
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



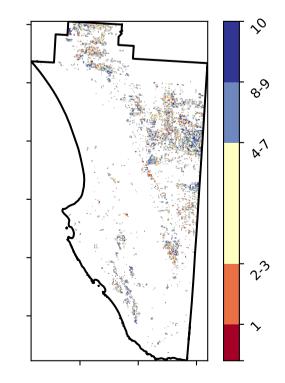
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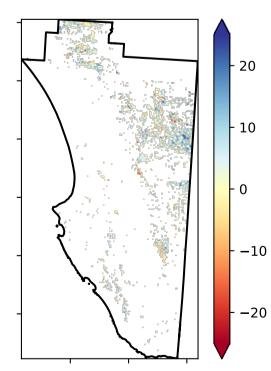
Catchment Scale

### **Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]**



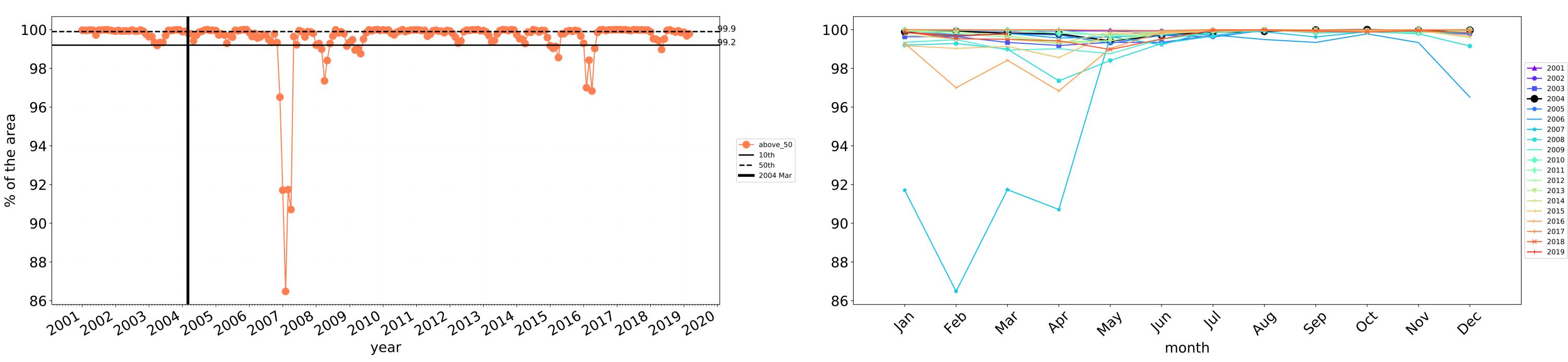
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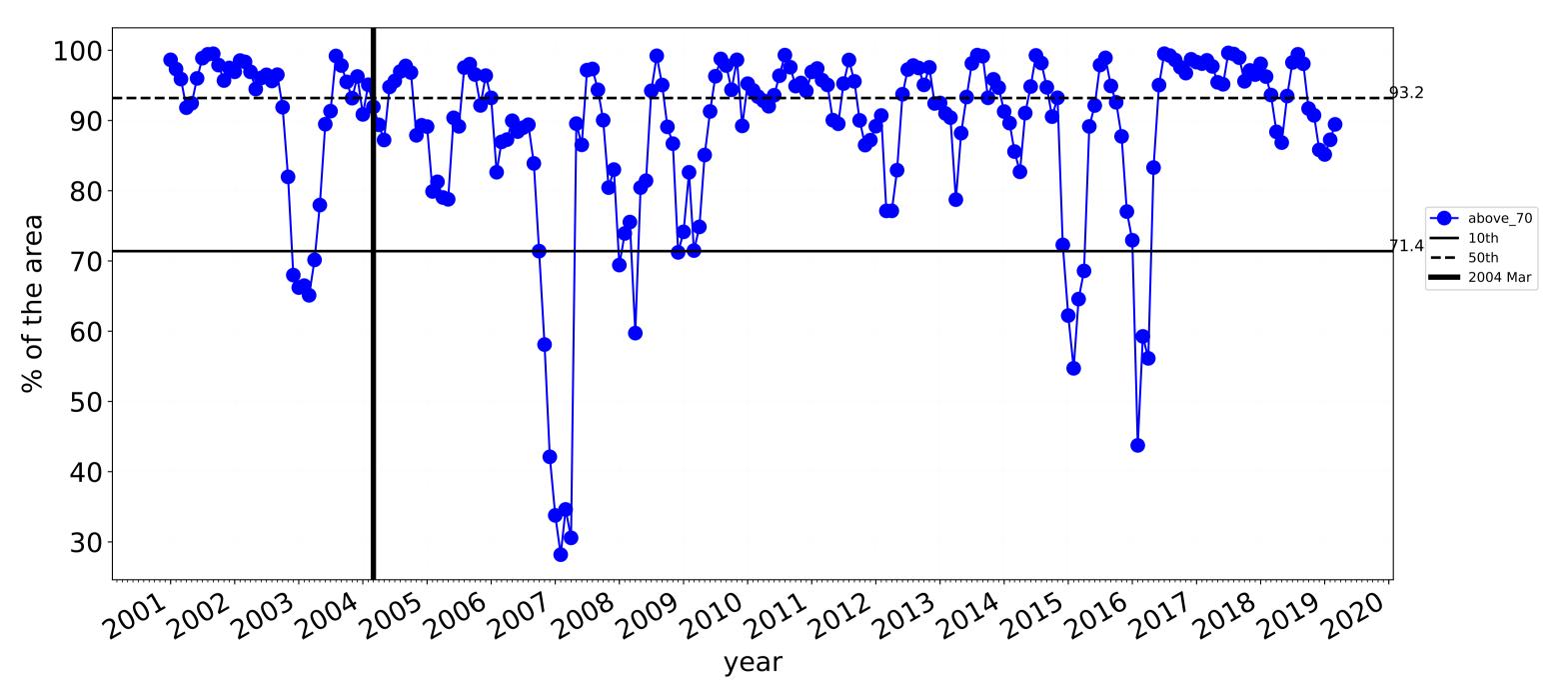
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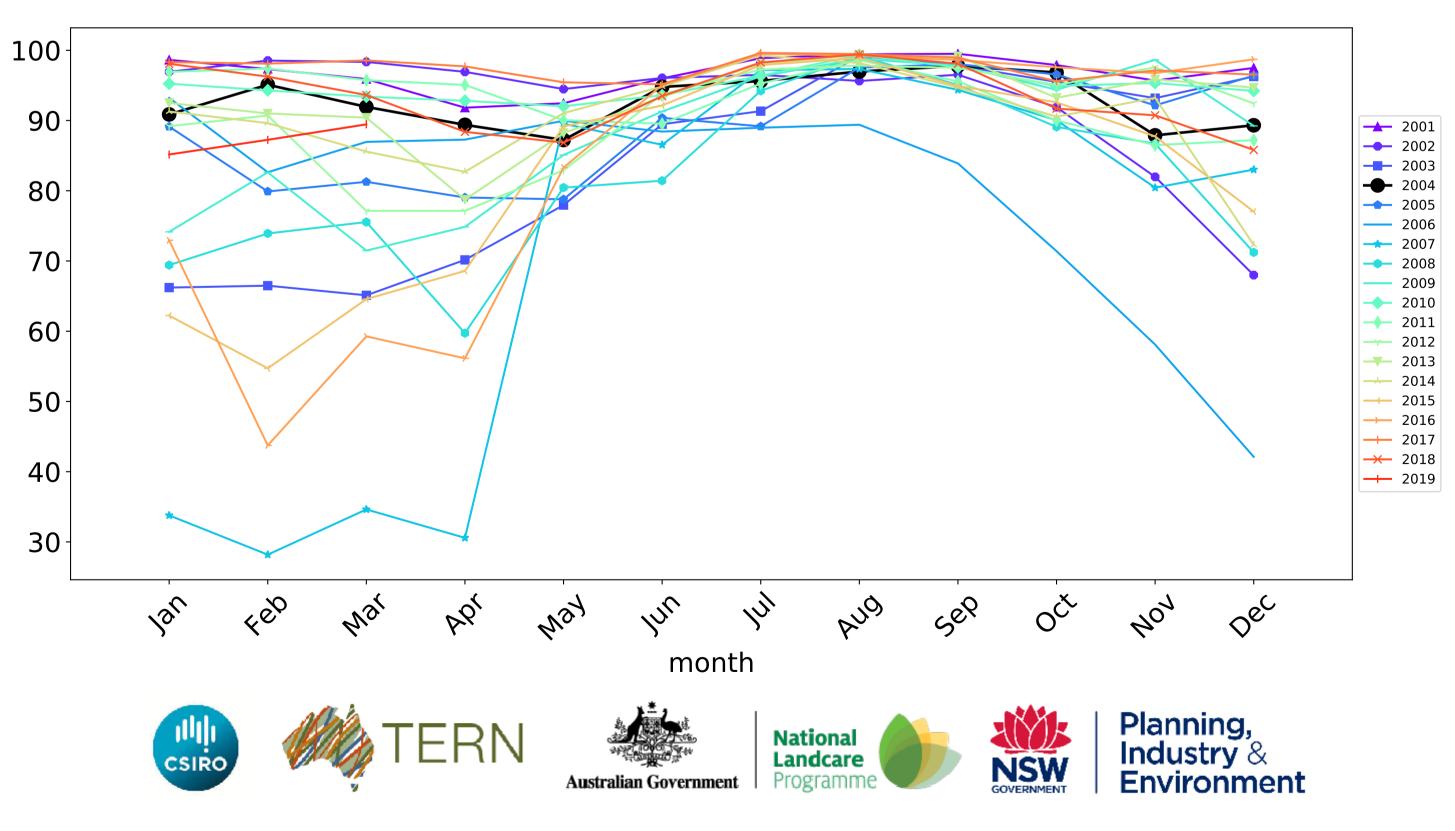
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

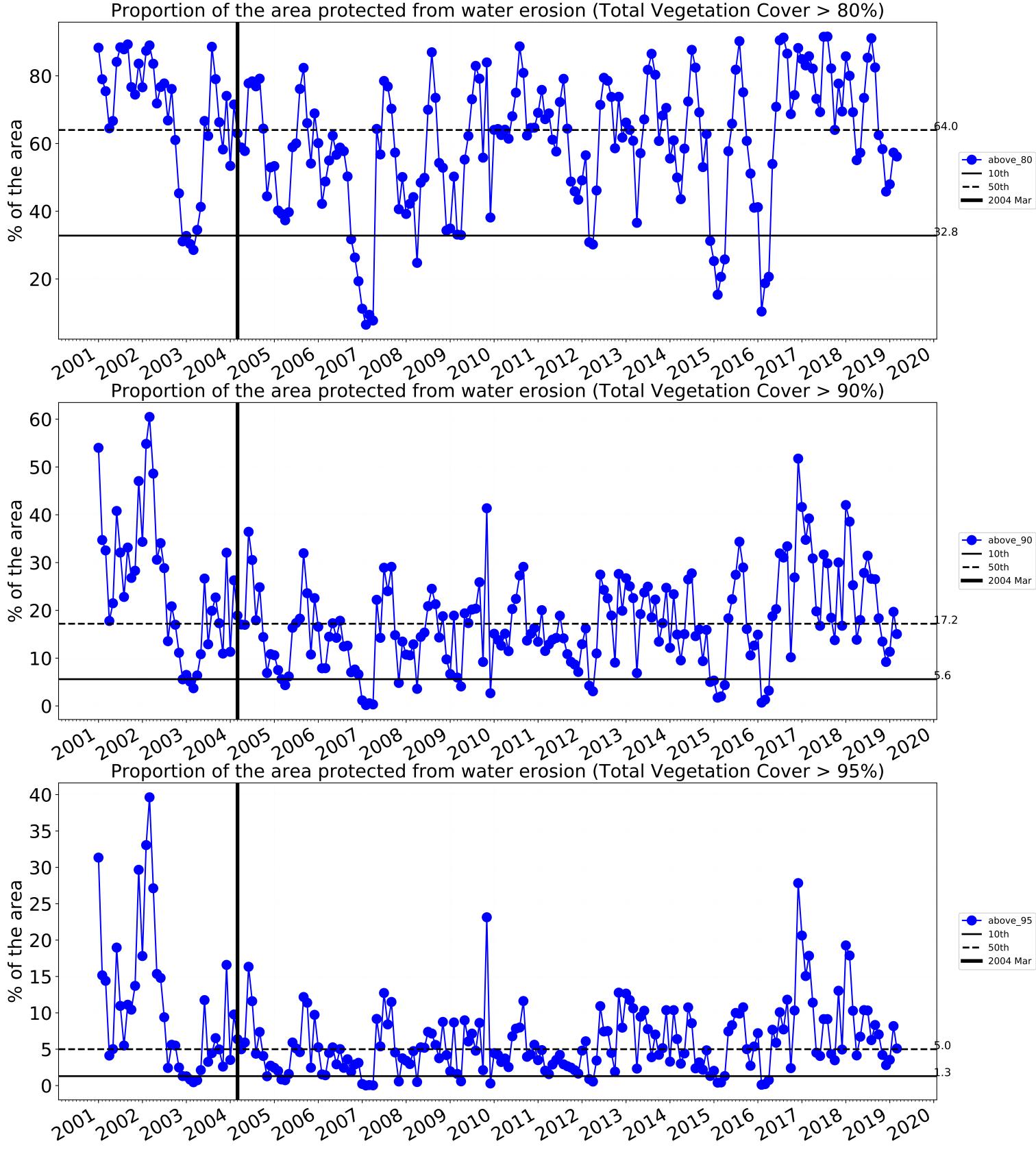
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

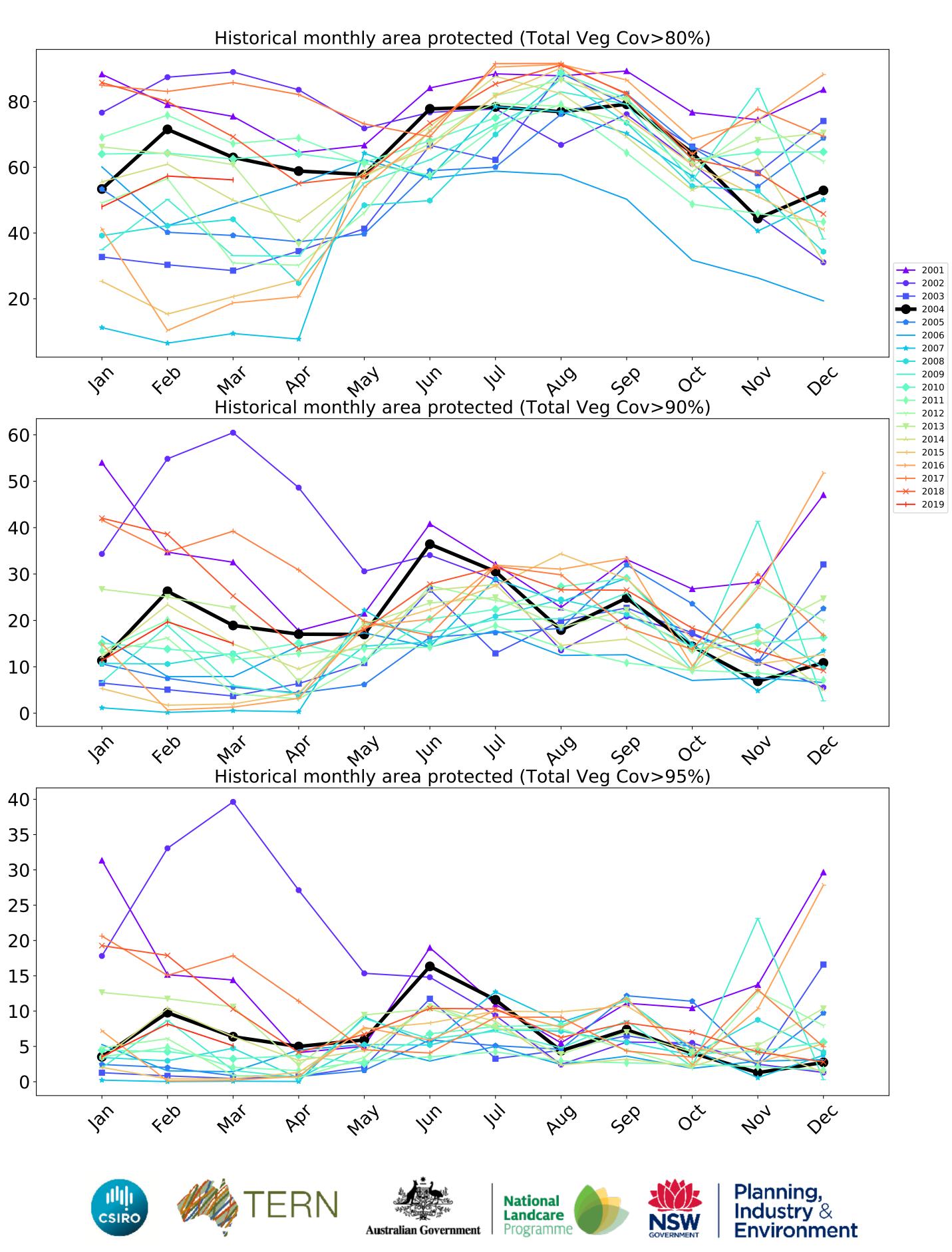


### **Cropping timeseries**

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





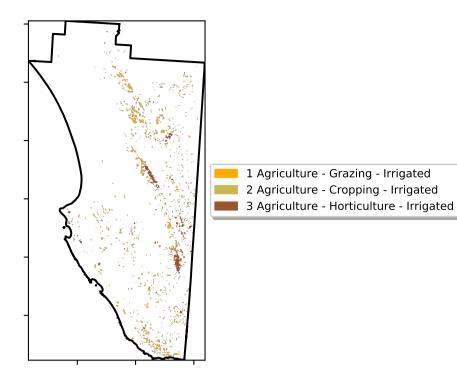




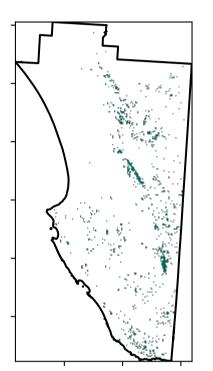
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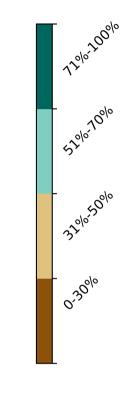
#### Land use and forest cover

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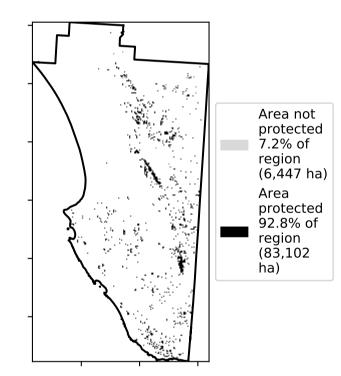
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



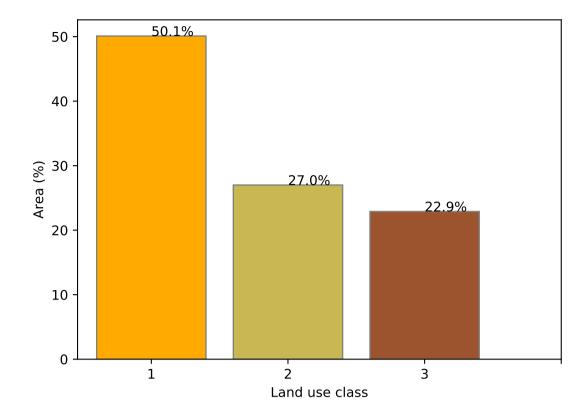


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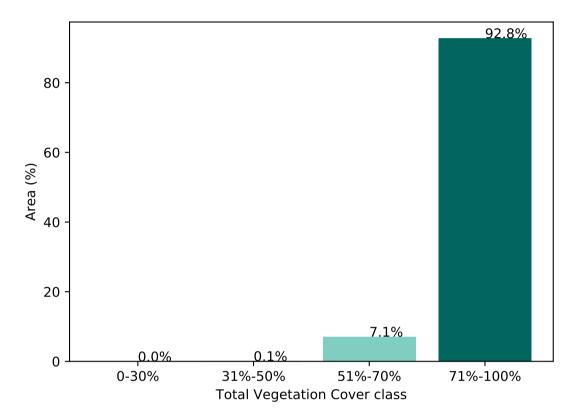
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



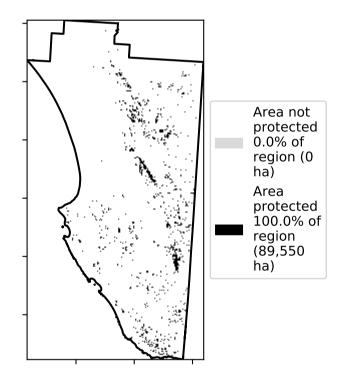




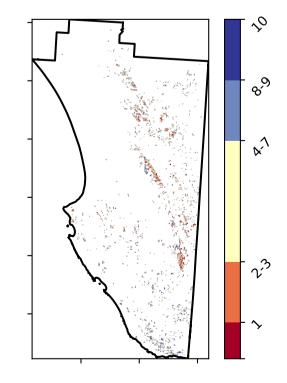
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

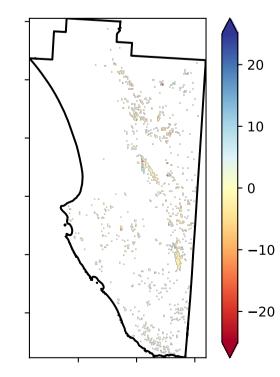


#### **Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]**



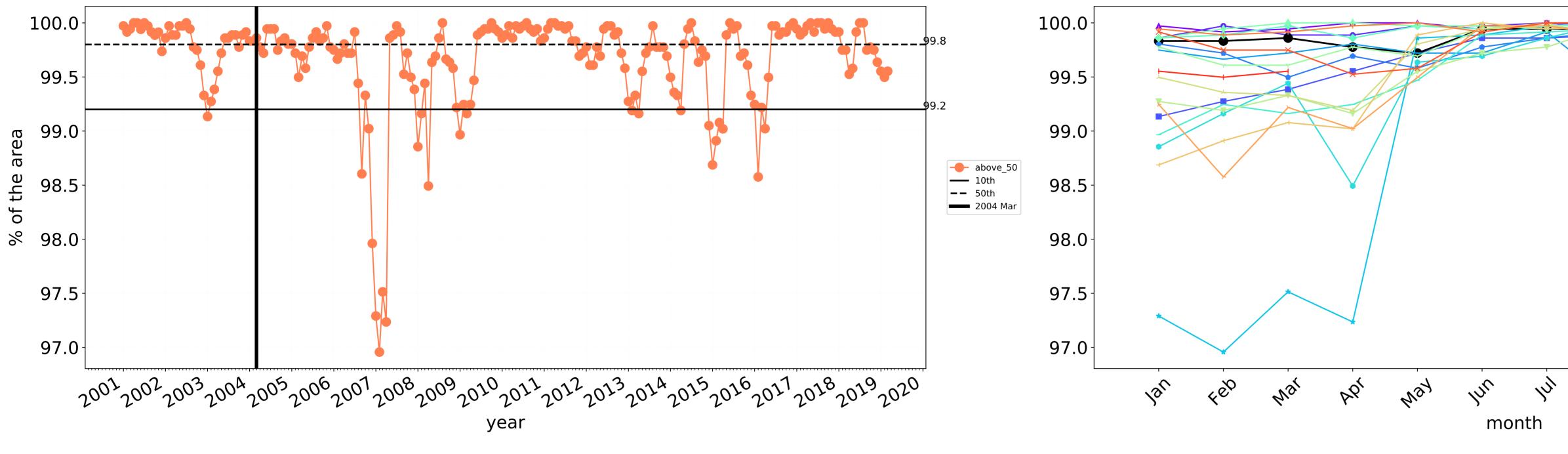
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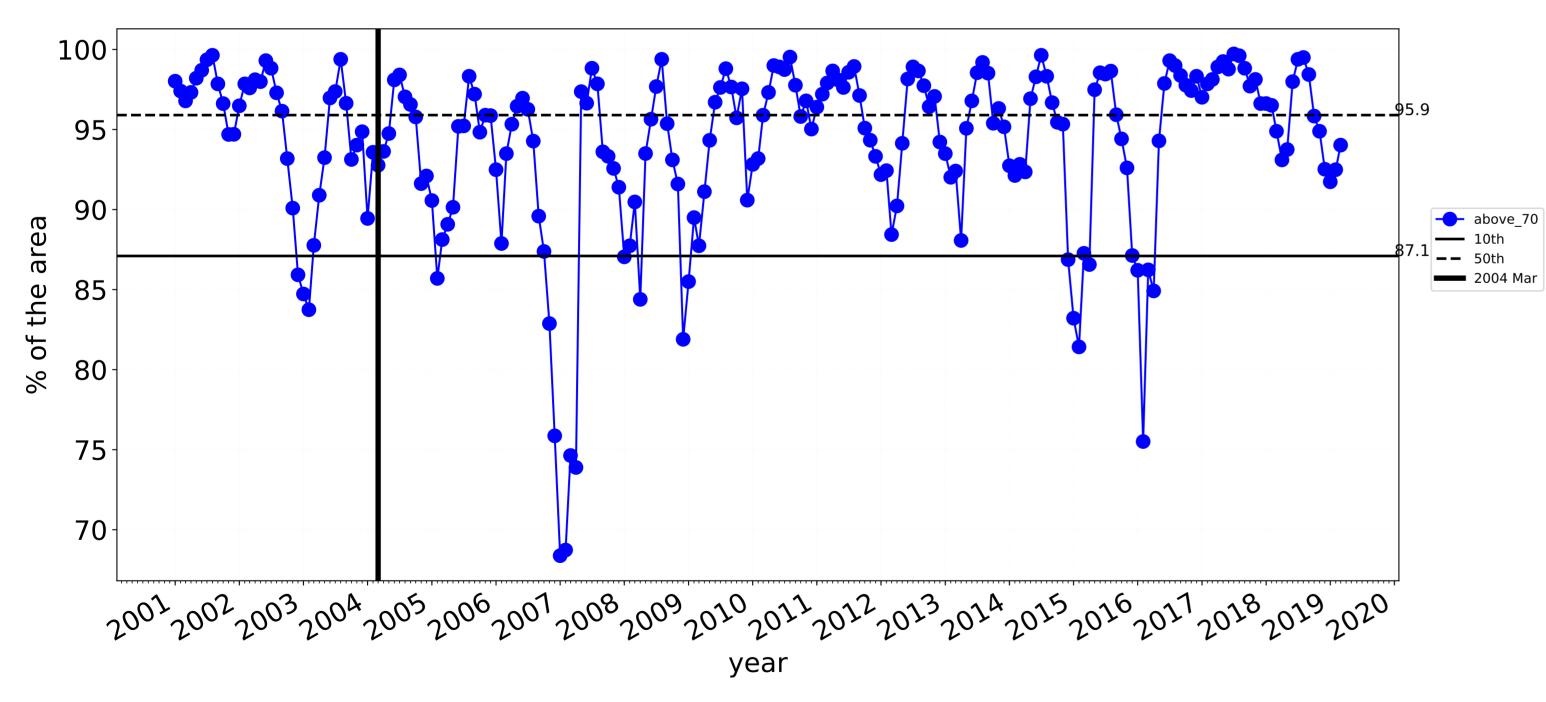
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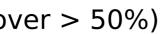




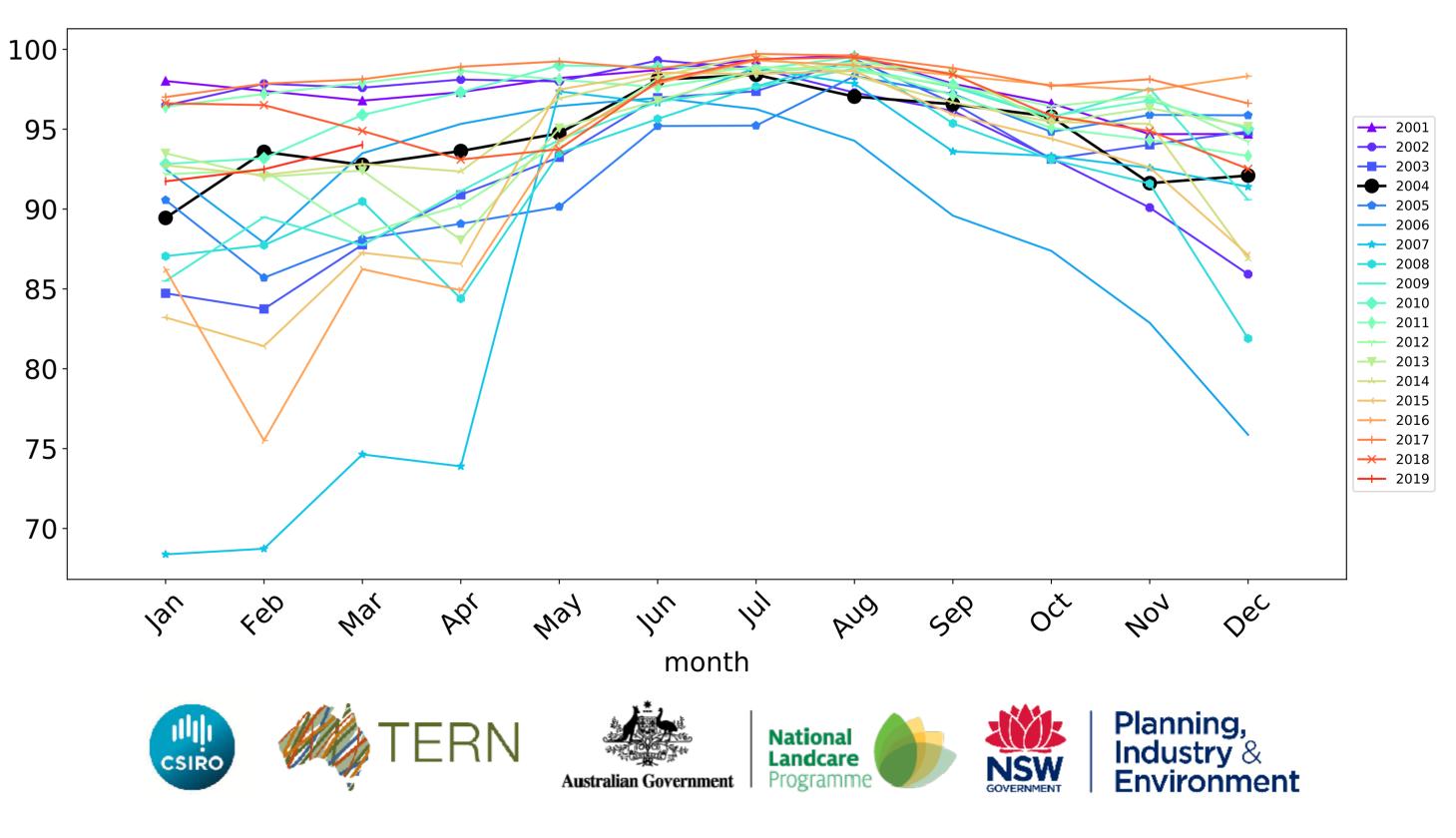
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

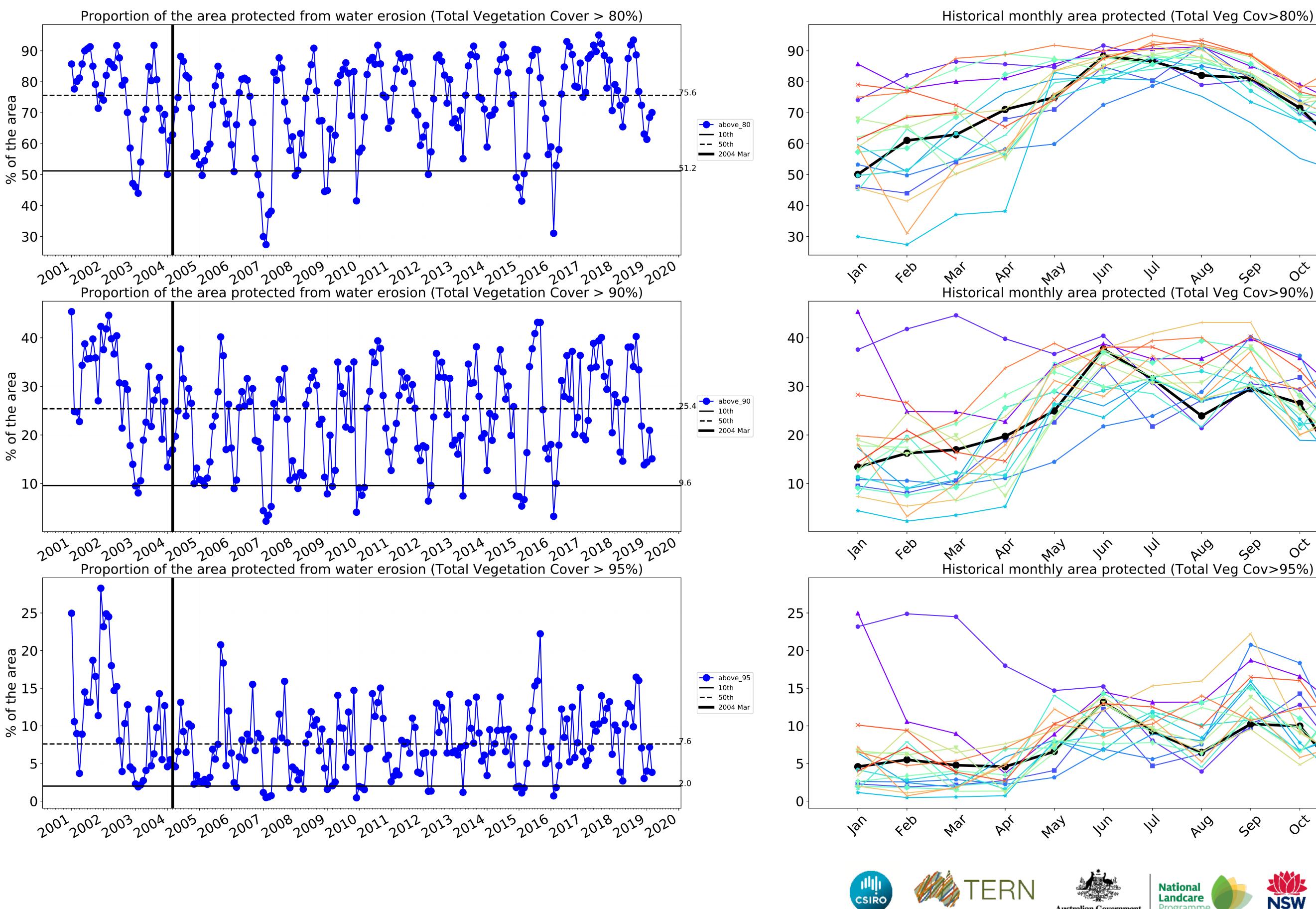




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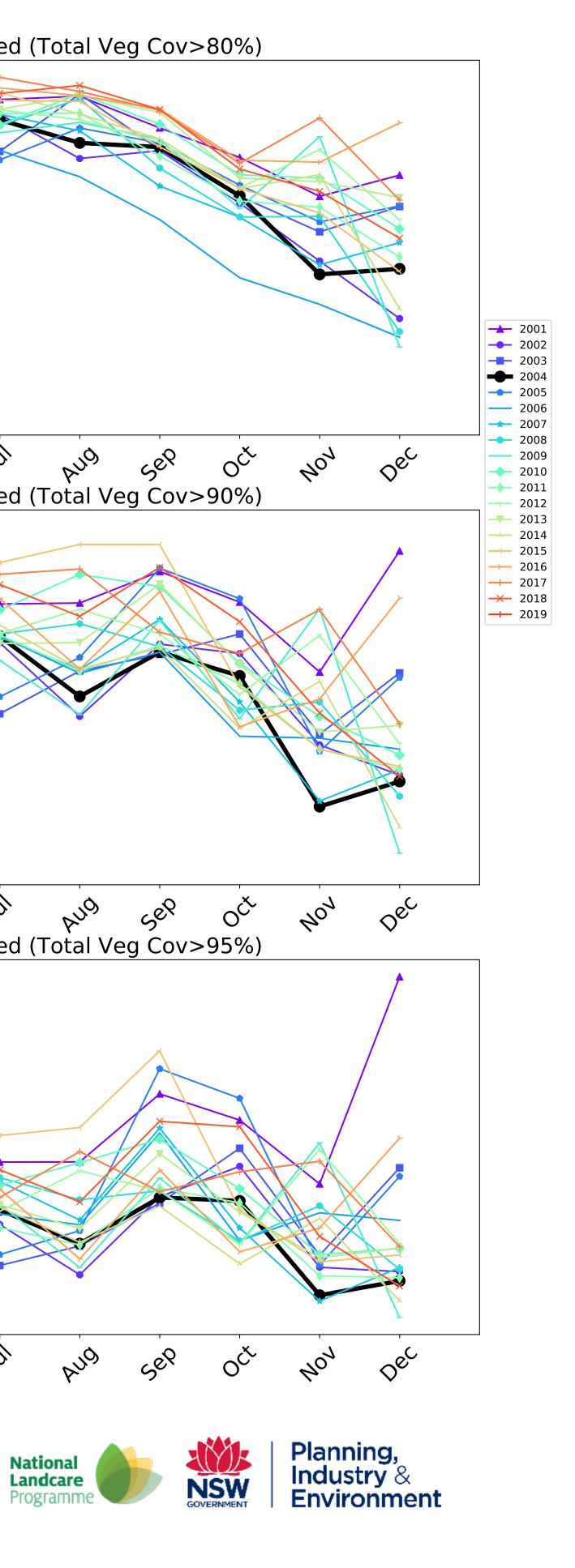


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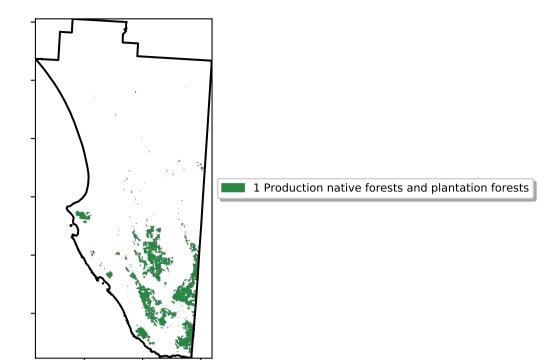
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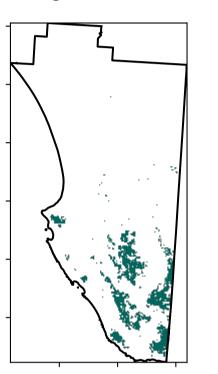
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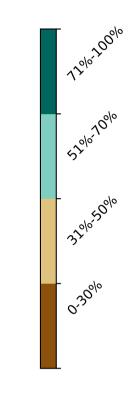
Land use and forest cover



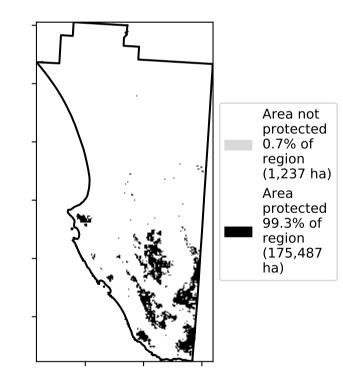


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

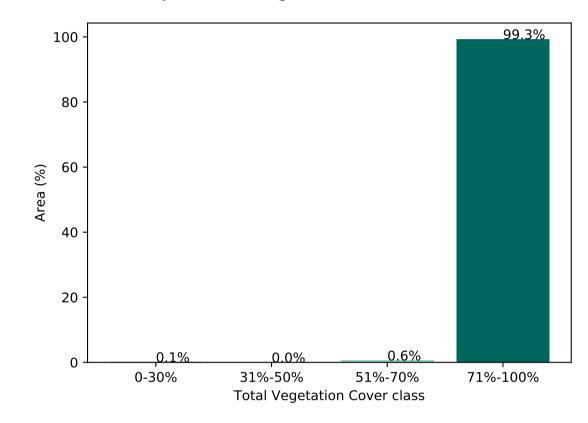




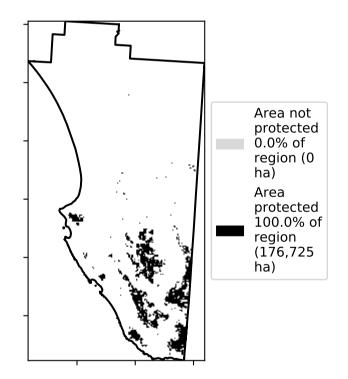
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



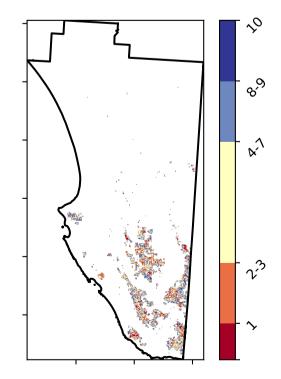
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

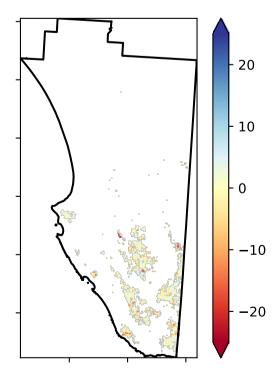


**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



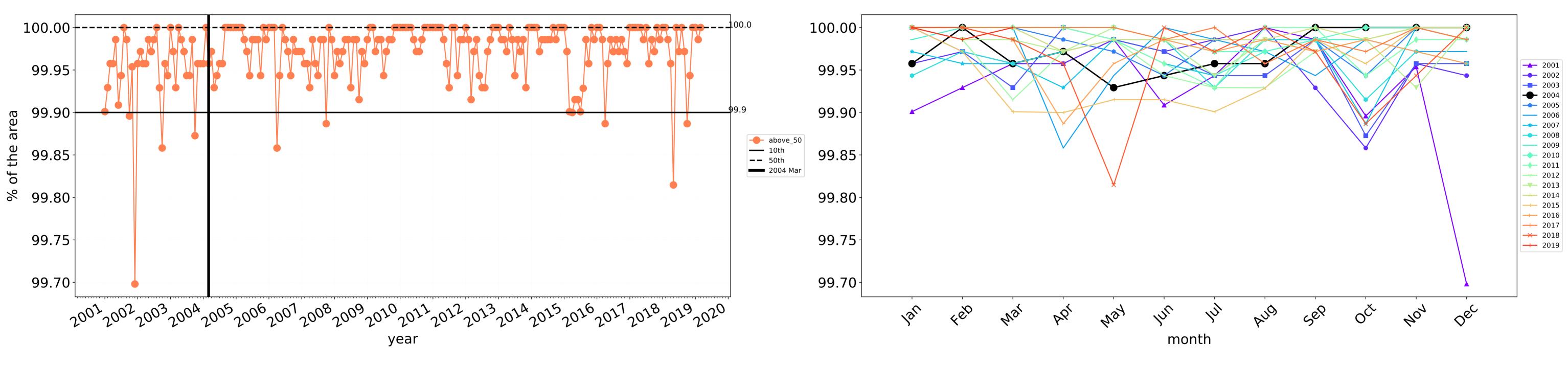
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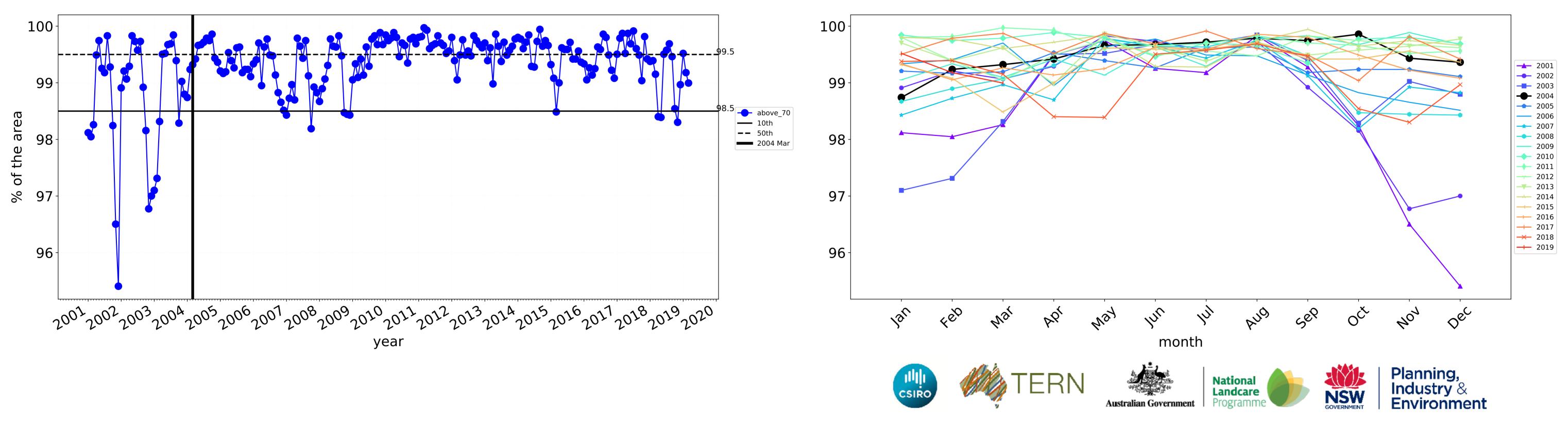
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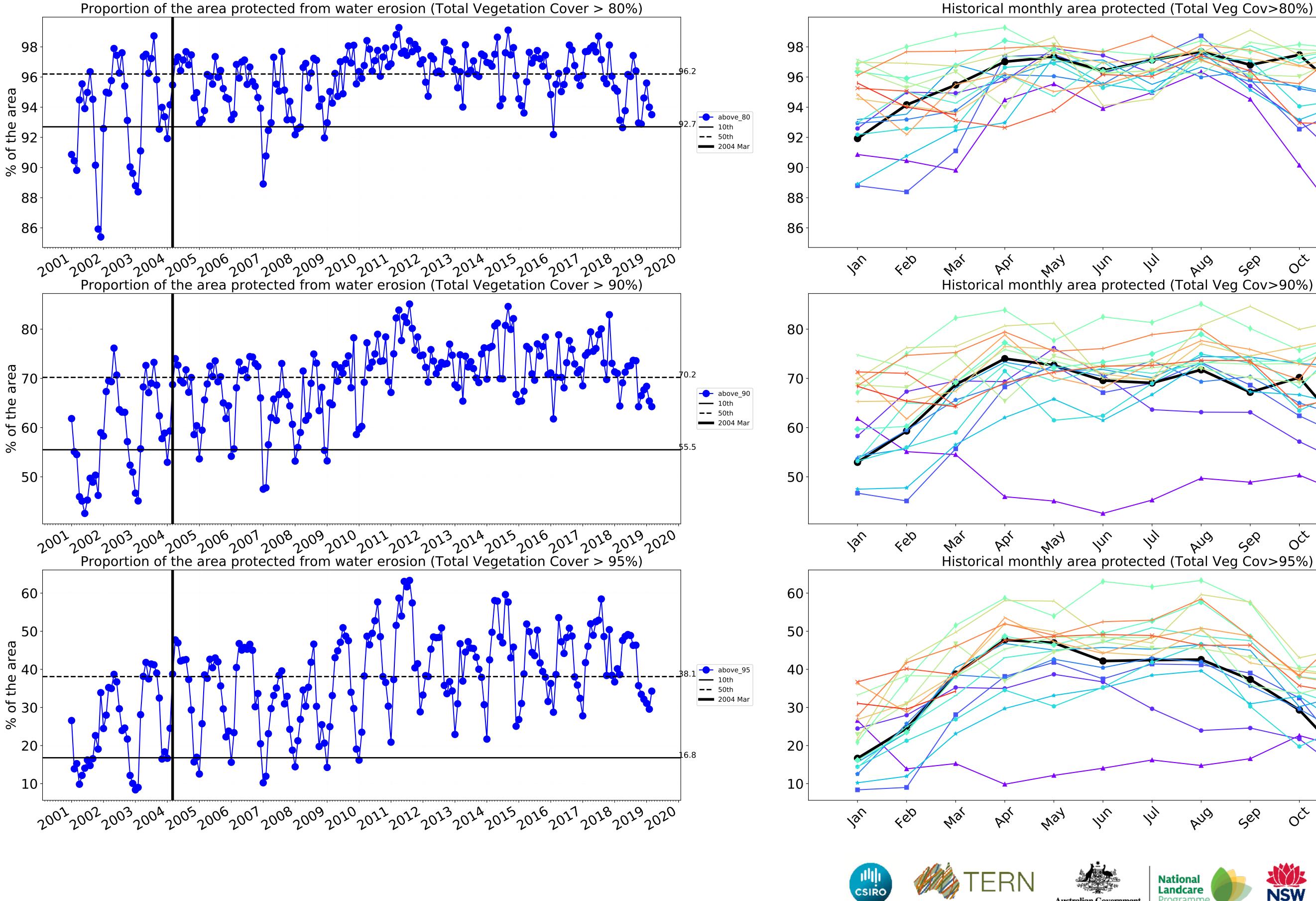
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

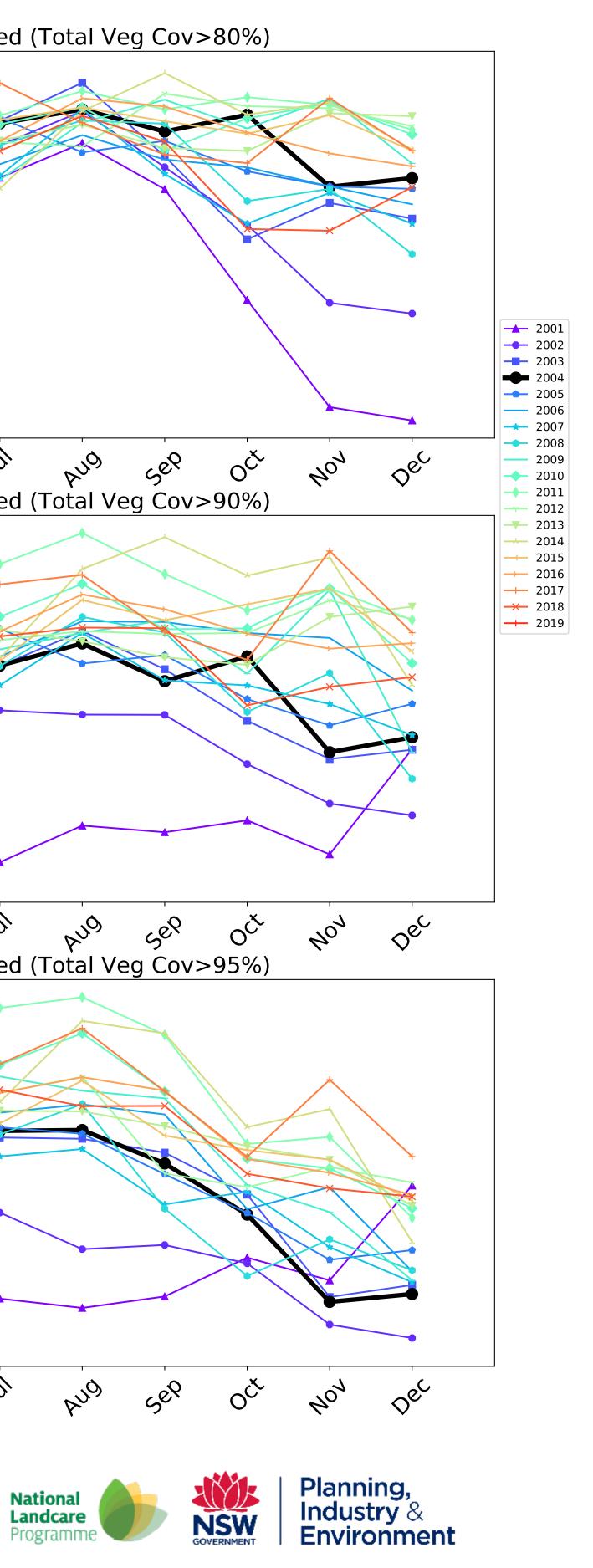


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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



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# South East (2,642,500 ha and no data 44,605 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	2,642,500	100.0% 2,641,400	99.4% 2,627,328	94.6% 2,498,928	77.1% 2,037,670	27.8% 735,303	8.1% 215,007
Conservation and natural environments	330,950	99.8% 330,375	96.4% 319,125	90.6% 300,000	76.9% 254,400	18.9% 62,475	2.9% 9,550
Conservation and natural environments non forest	164,175	99.6% 163,600	93.1% 152,775	84.1% 138,100	69.2% 113,600	14.5% 23,725	2.6% 4,200
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	123,500	100.0% 123,500	99.7% 123,125	96.8% 119,575	83.0% 102,450	25.8% 31,900	3.6% 4,475
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	43,275	100.0% 43,275	99.9% 43,225	97.8% 42,325	88.6% 38,350	15.8% 6,850	2.0% 875
Agriculture	2,005,100	100.0% 2,005,075	99.9% 2,002,775	94.7% 1,899,550	75.4% 1,511,525	25.7% 515,300	6.1% 121,775
Grazing	1,648,075	100.0% 1,648,050	99.9% 1,646,375	95.3% 1,570,825	78.1% 1,287,325	27.3% 449,775	6.1% 100,550
Grazing non forest	1,640,475	100.0% 1,640,450	99.9% 1,638,775	95.3% 1,563,425	78.0% 1,280,300	27.2% 446,525	6.1% 99,775
Cropping	265,925	100.0% 265,925	99.8% 265,450	91.9% 244,500	63.0% 167,500	18.9% 50,300	6.4% 16,950
Irrigation	89,550	100.0% 89,550	99.9% 89,425	92.8% 83,075	62.9% 56,325	17.0% 15,200	4.8% 4,275
Production native forests and plantation forests	176,725	100.0% 176,725	100.0% 176,650	99.3% 175,525	95.5% 168,725	68.7% 121,475	38.8% 68,500

