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

## Date: April 2013

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:

https://doi.org/10.4225/08/5848a3f19a7b3



### **Vegetation Cover Apr 2013**

#### Land use and forest cover

#### Legend with land class forest cover and number, i.e. Forests is 12 1 Conservation and natural environments -Non-forest 2 Conservation and natural environments -Woodland forest 3 Conservation and natural environments -Non-Woodland forest 4 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-forest 5 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest 6 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest 7 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 8 Agriculture - Cropping - Non-irrigated 9 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated 10 Agriculture - Horticulture - Non-irrigated 11 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated 12 Production native forests and plantation forests 13 Other uses

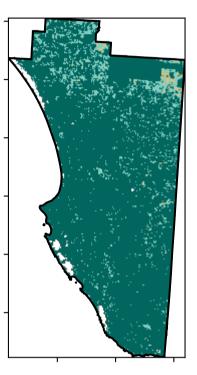
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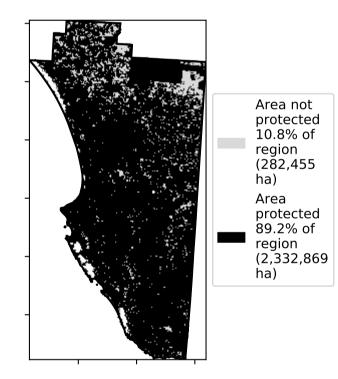
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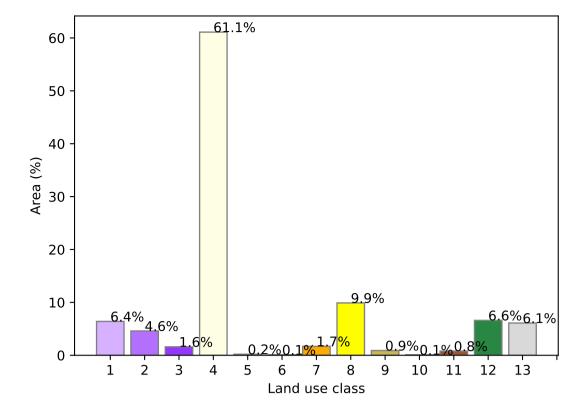
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#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

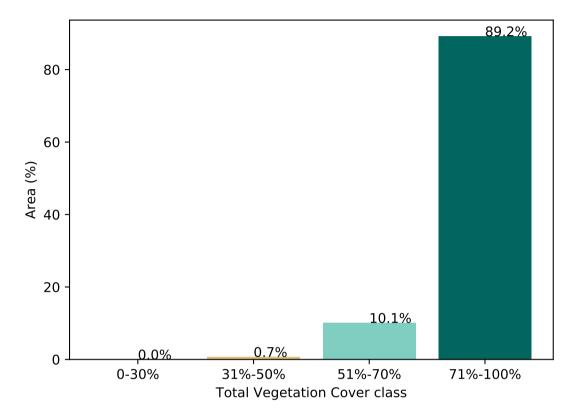


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

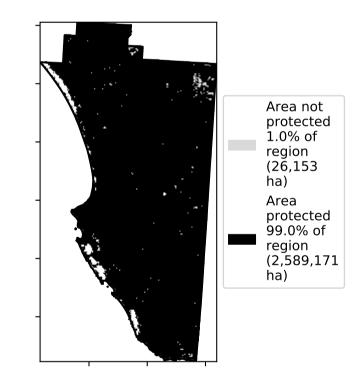




#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



#### Proportion of each land class in area

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

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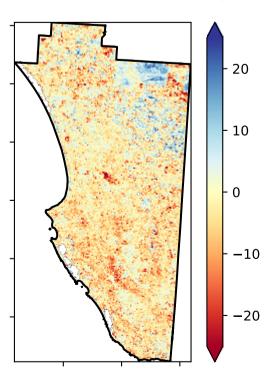
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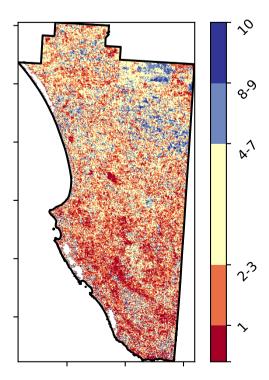
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Land Use and Forests

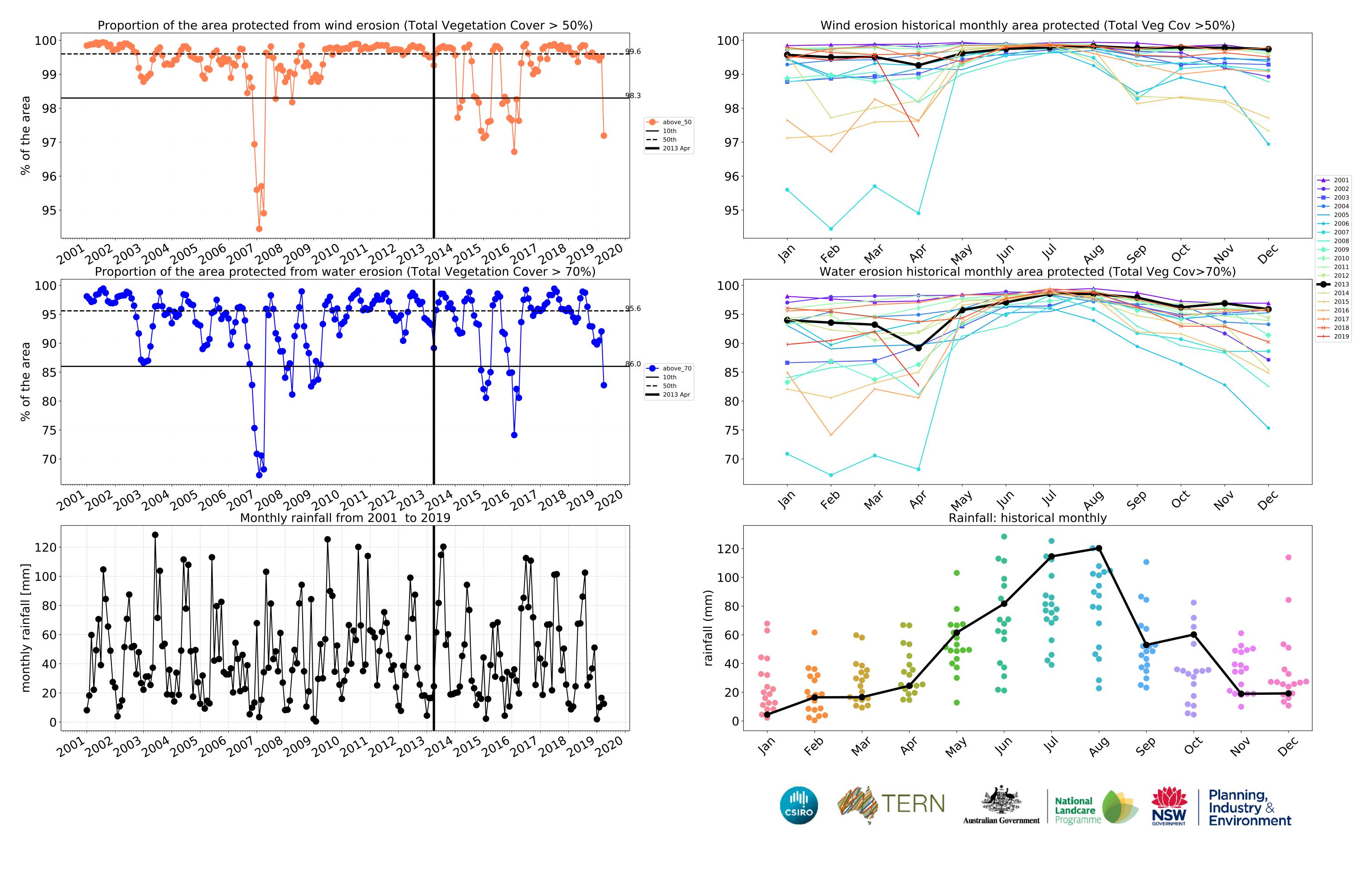
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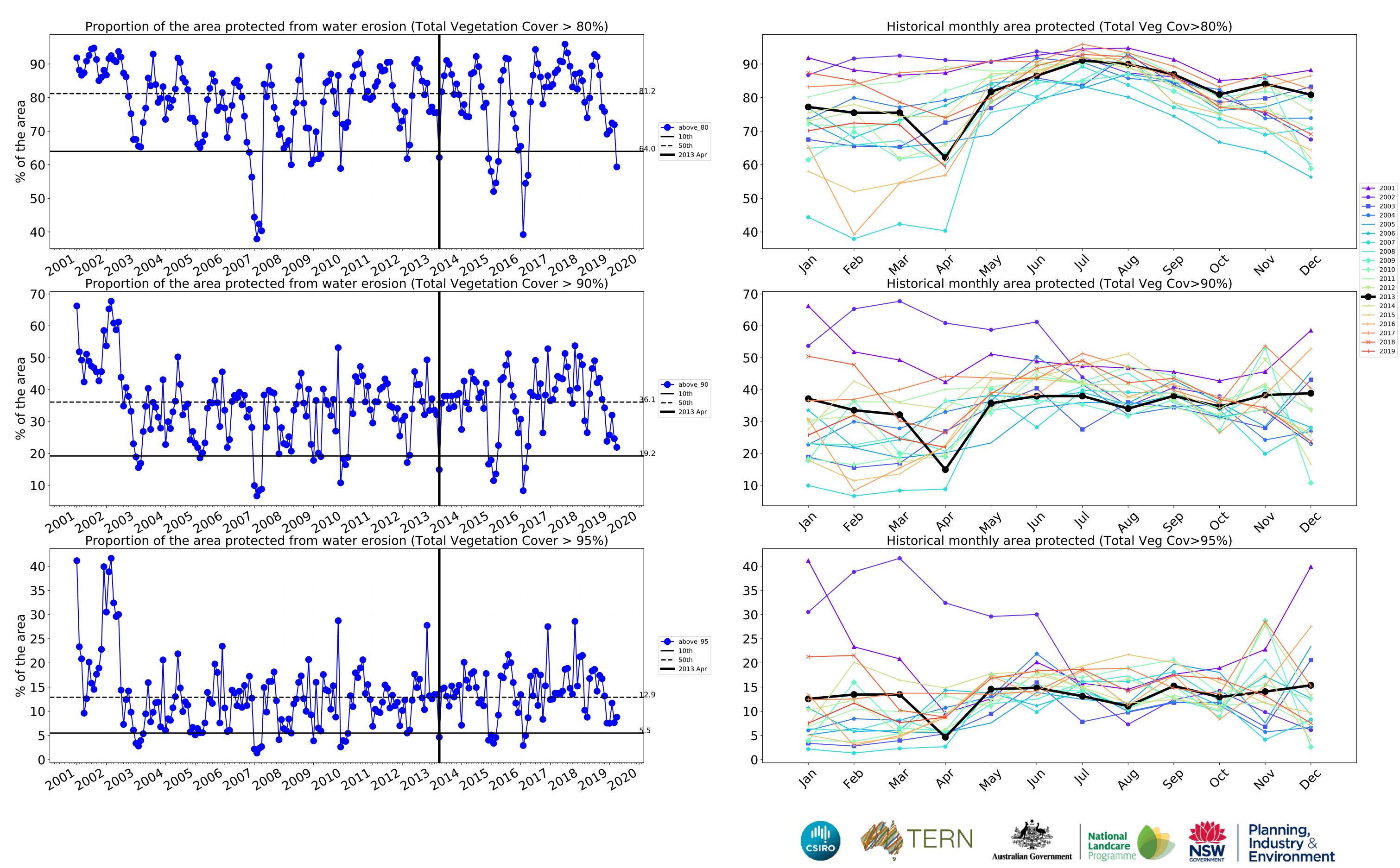


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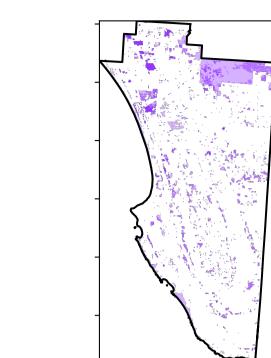




### **Conservation and natural environments**

#### Land use and forest cover

#### Proportion of each land class in area



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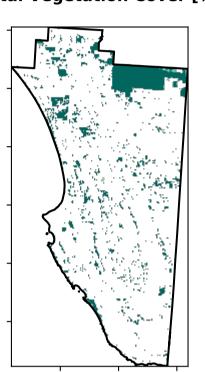
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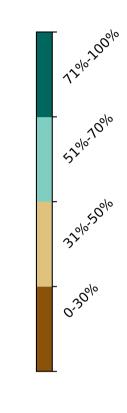
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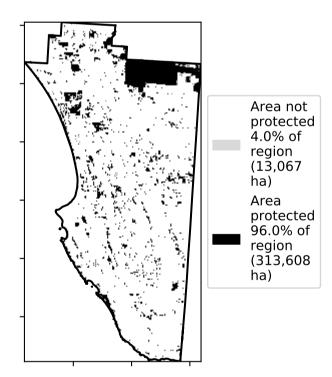
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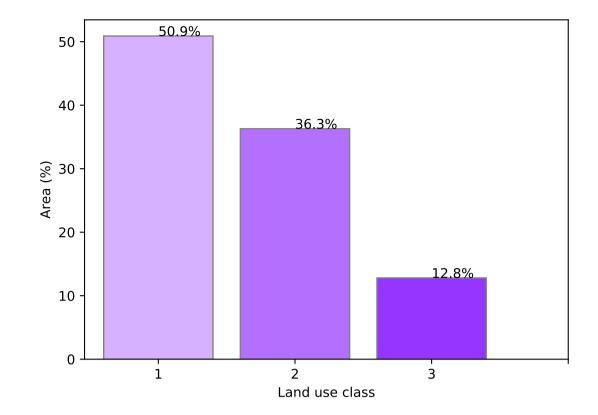
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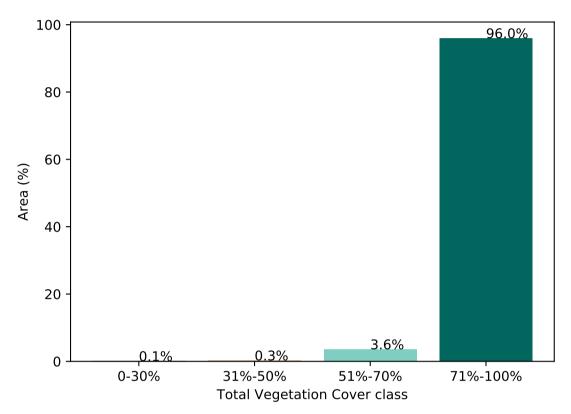


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

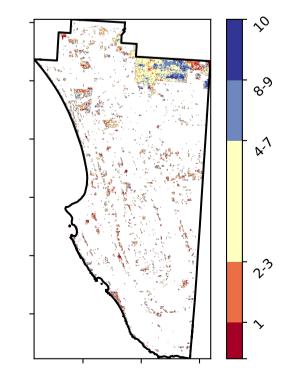


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



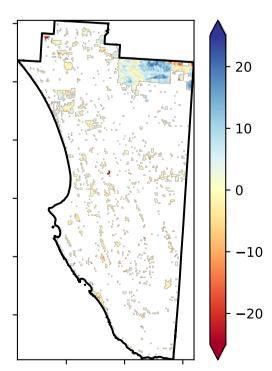
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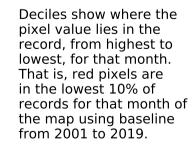
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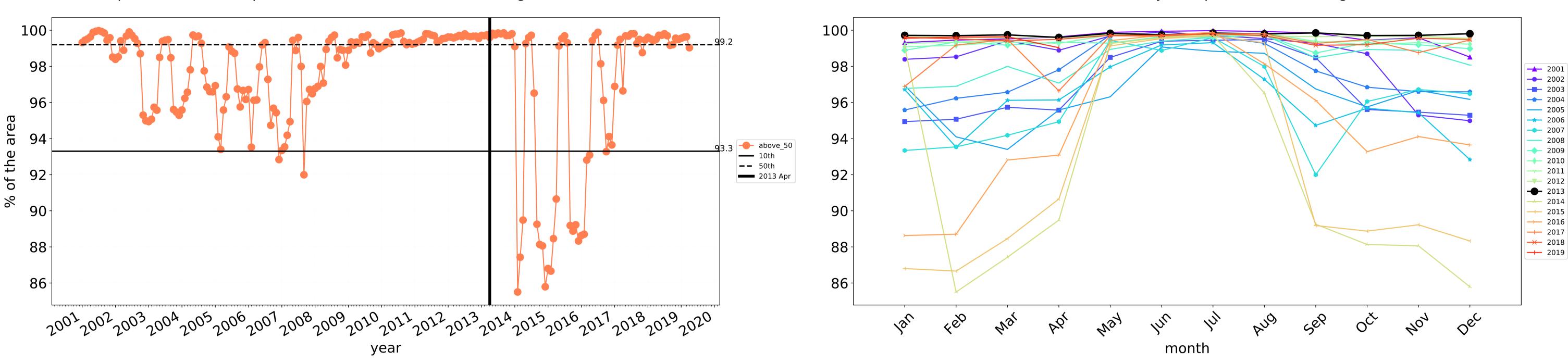
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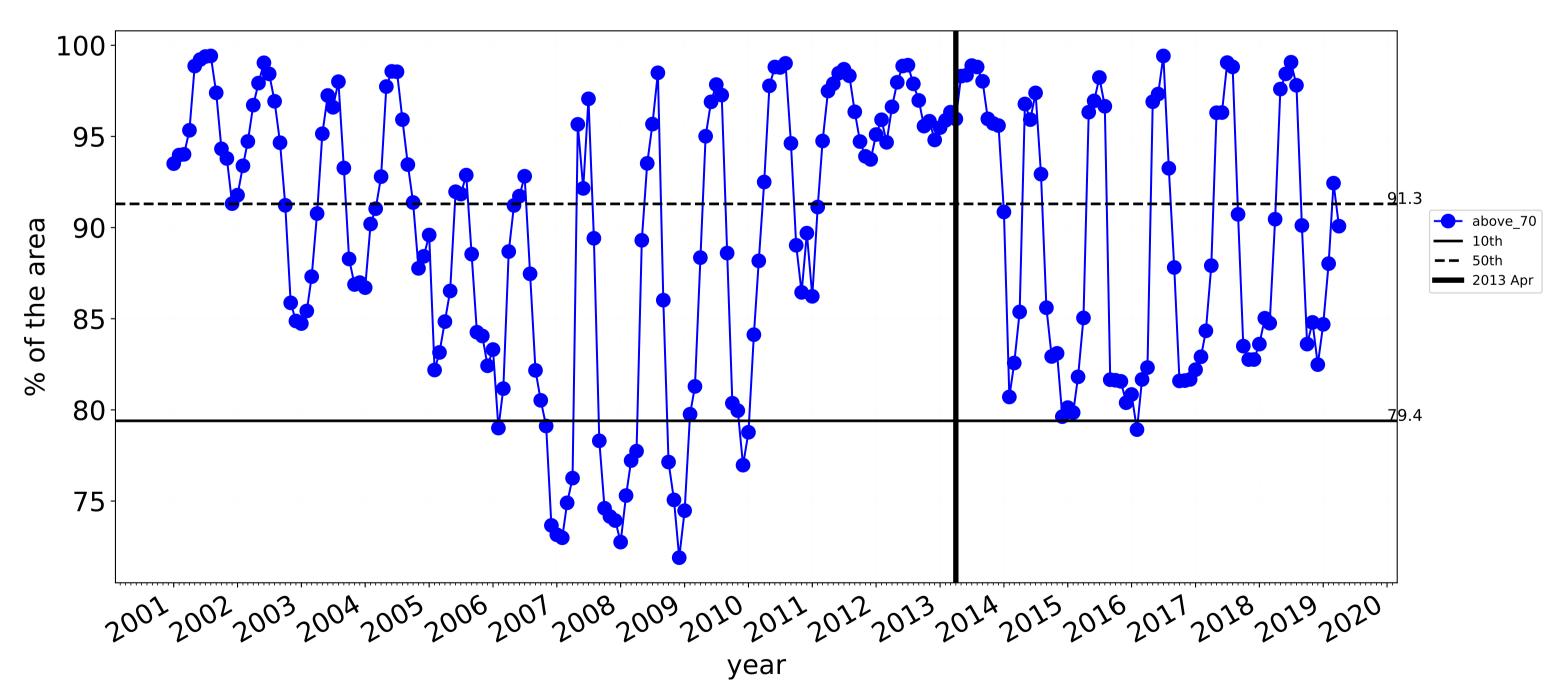




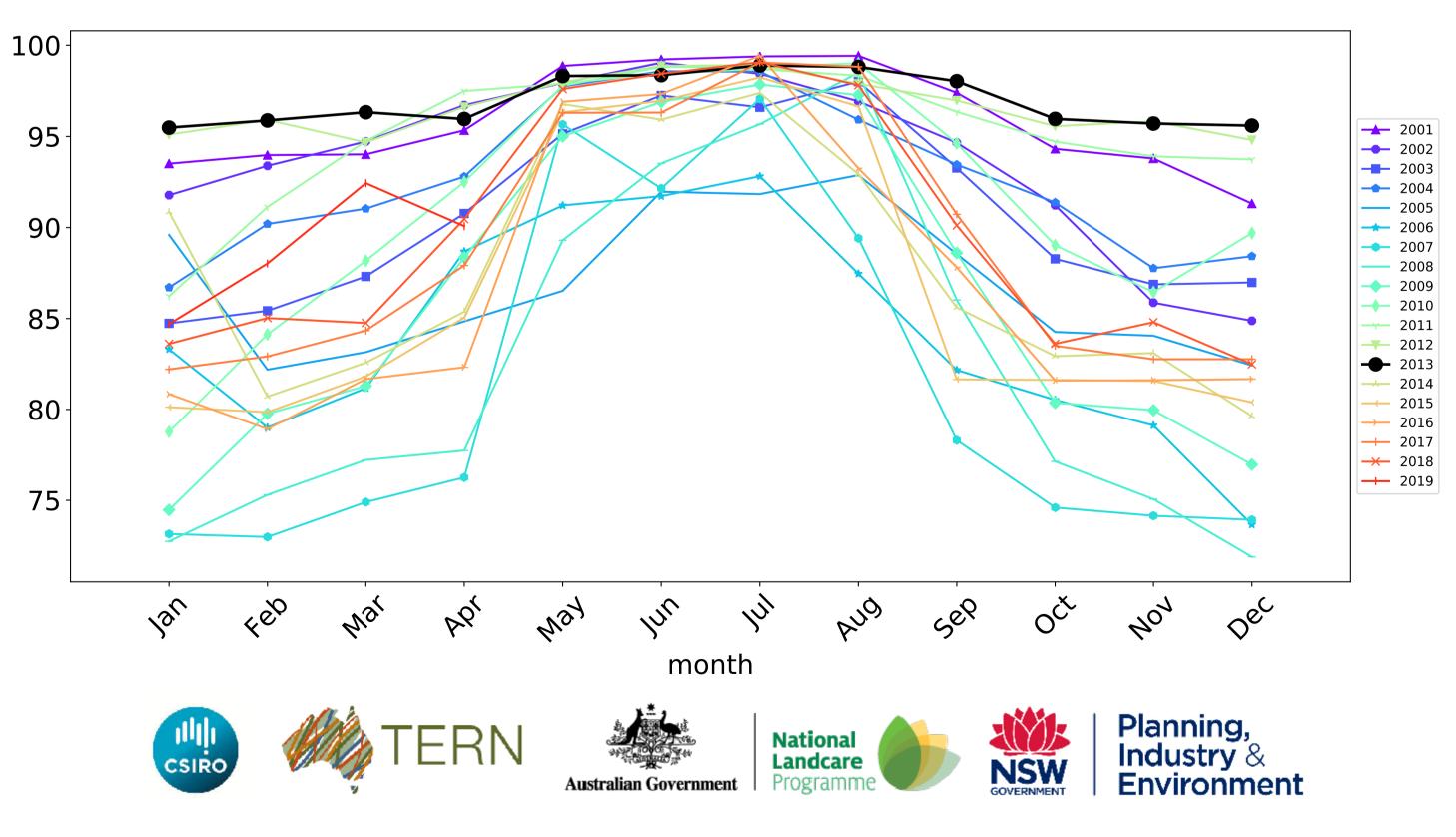


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

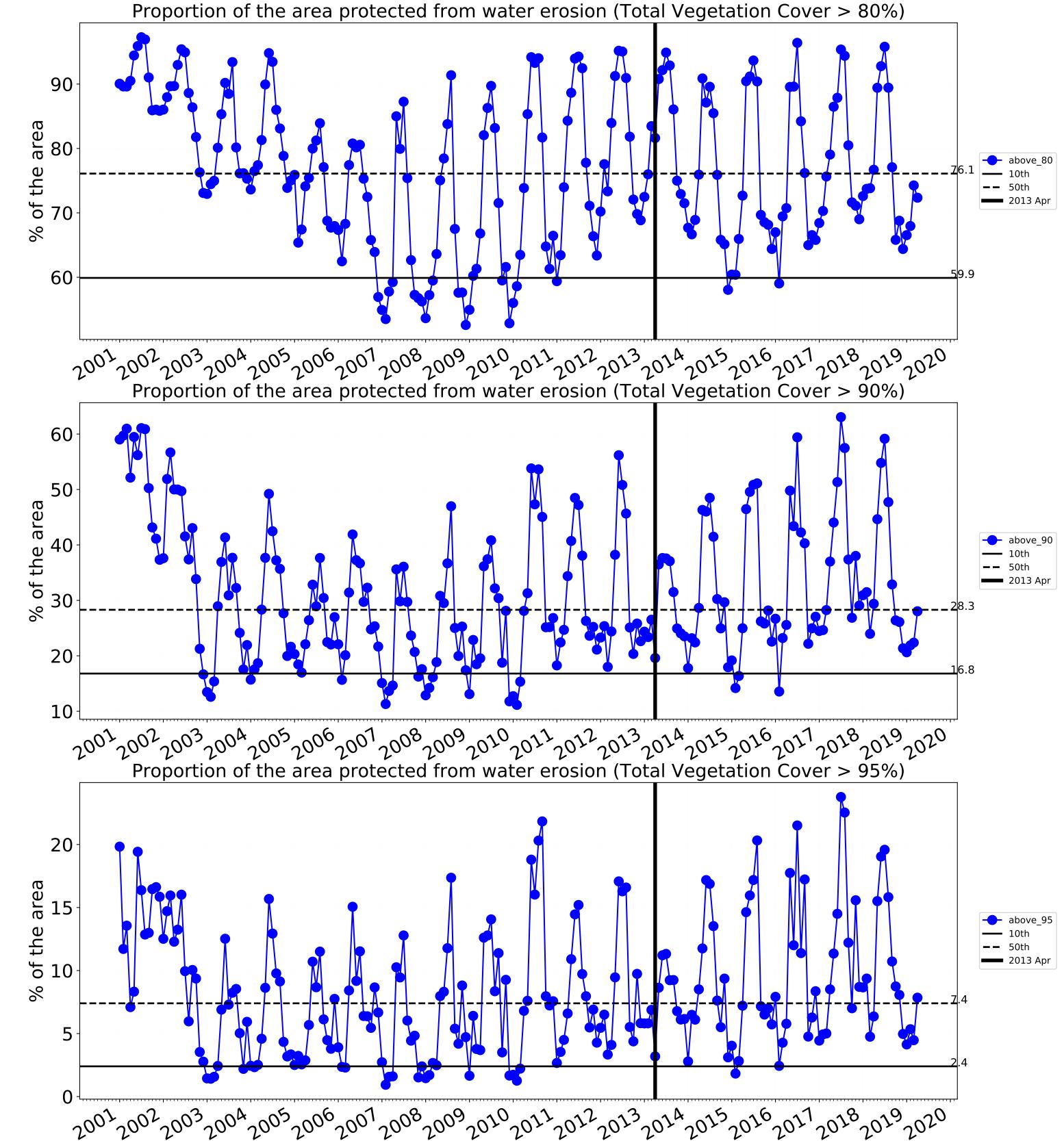
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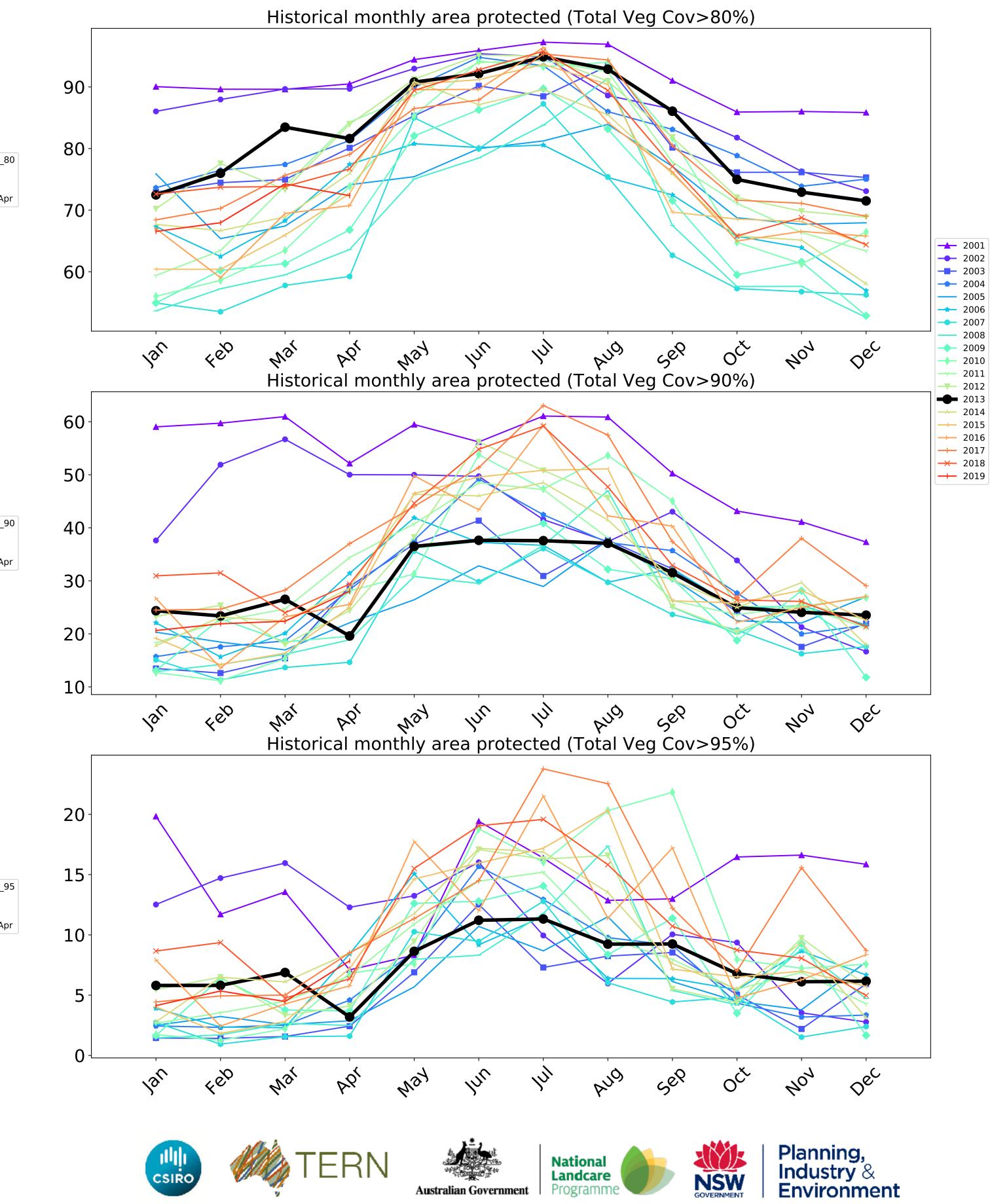


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



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

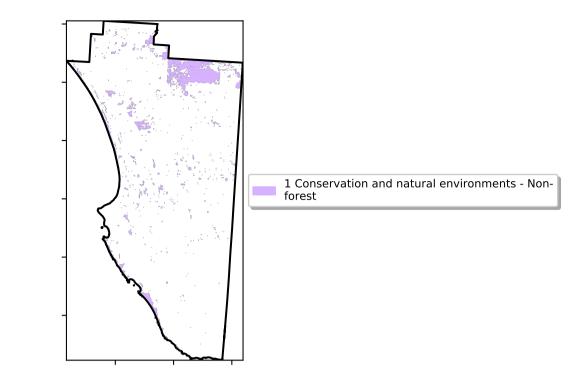






### **Conservation and natural environments non forest**

Land use and forest cover



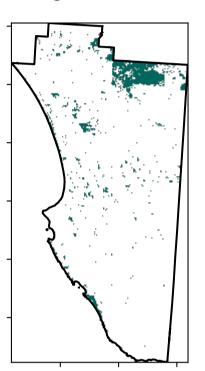
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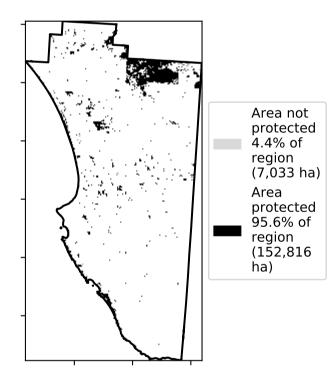
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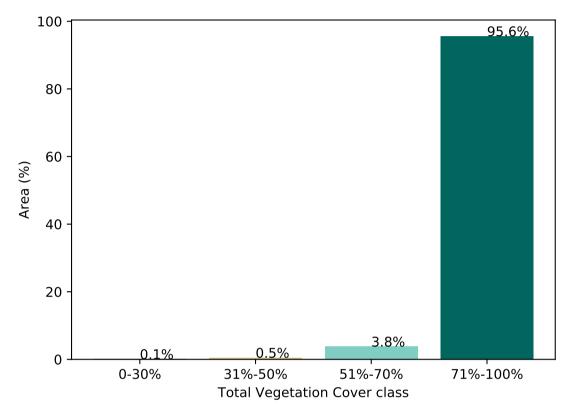
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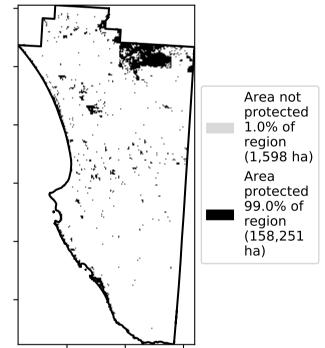






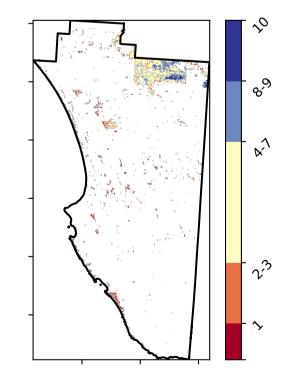


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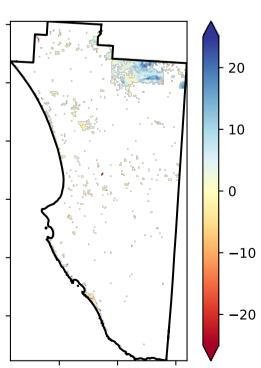
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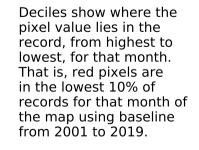
**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

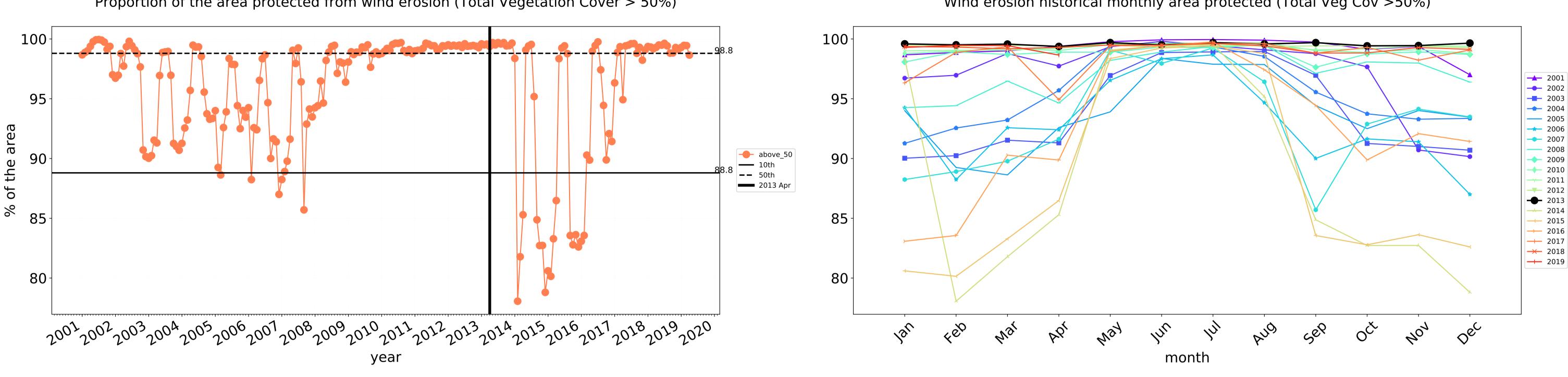
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### **Conservation and natural environments non forest timeseries**



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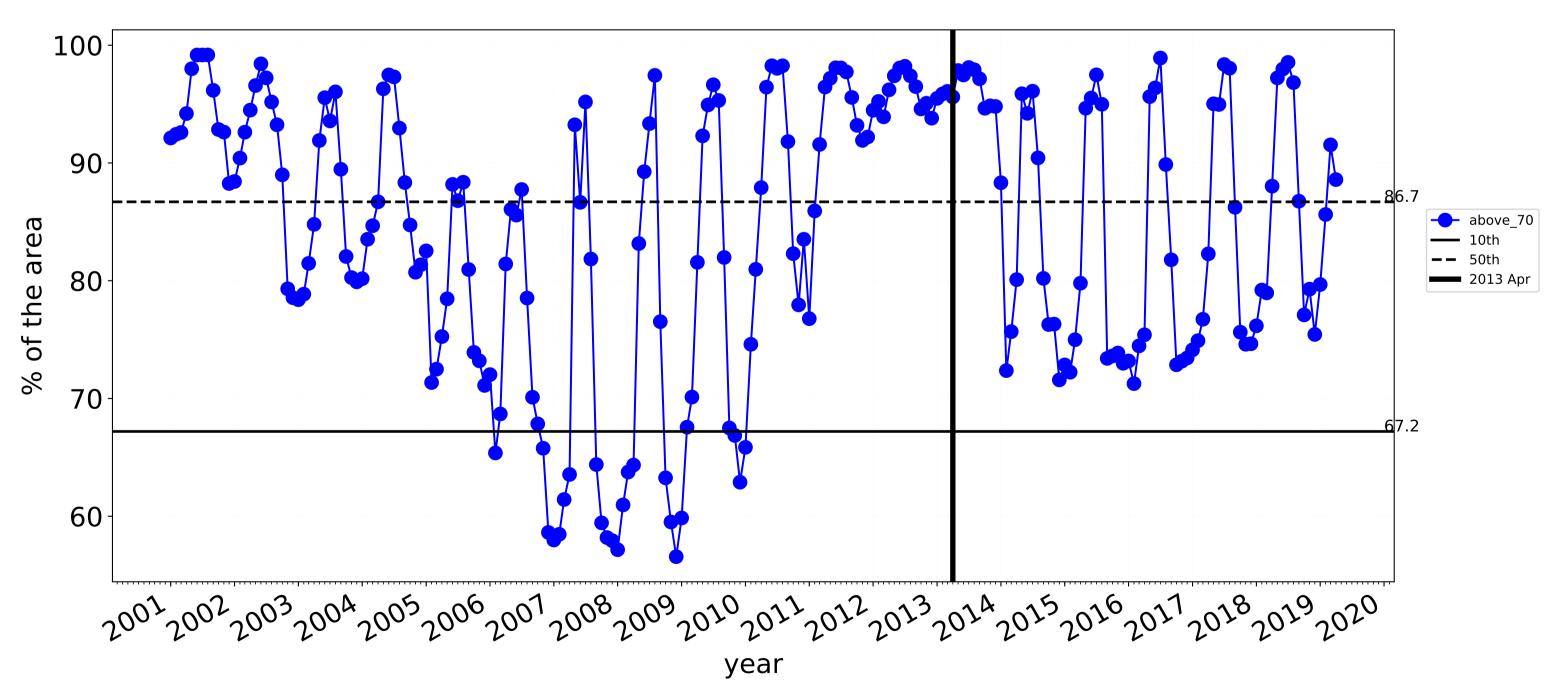
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

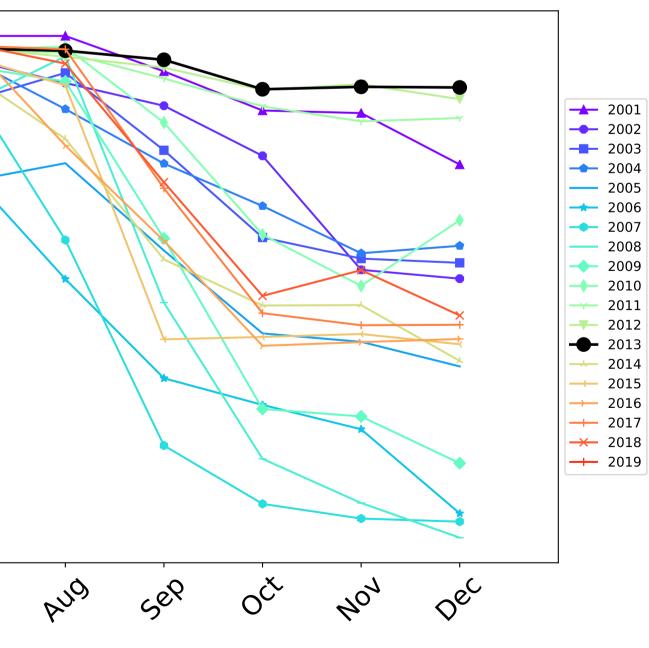
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



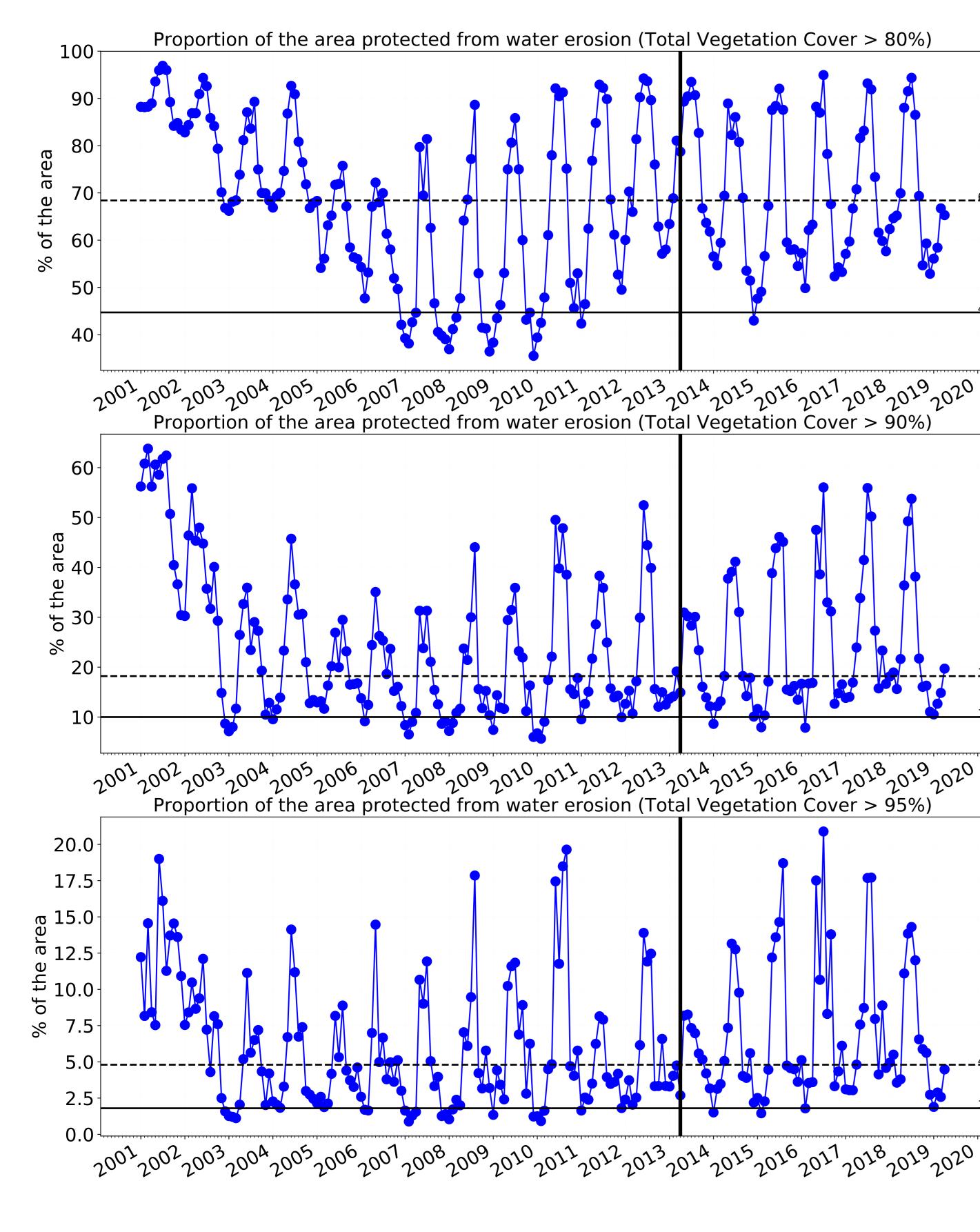


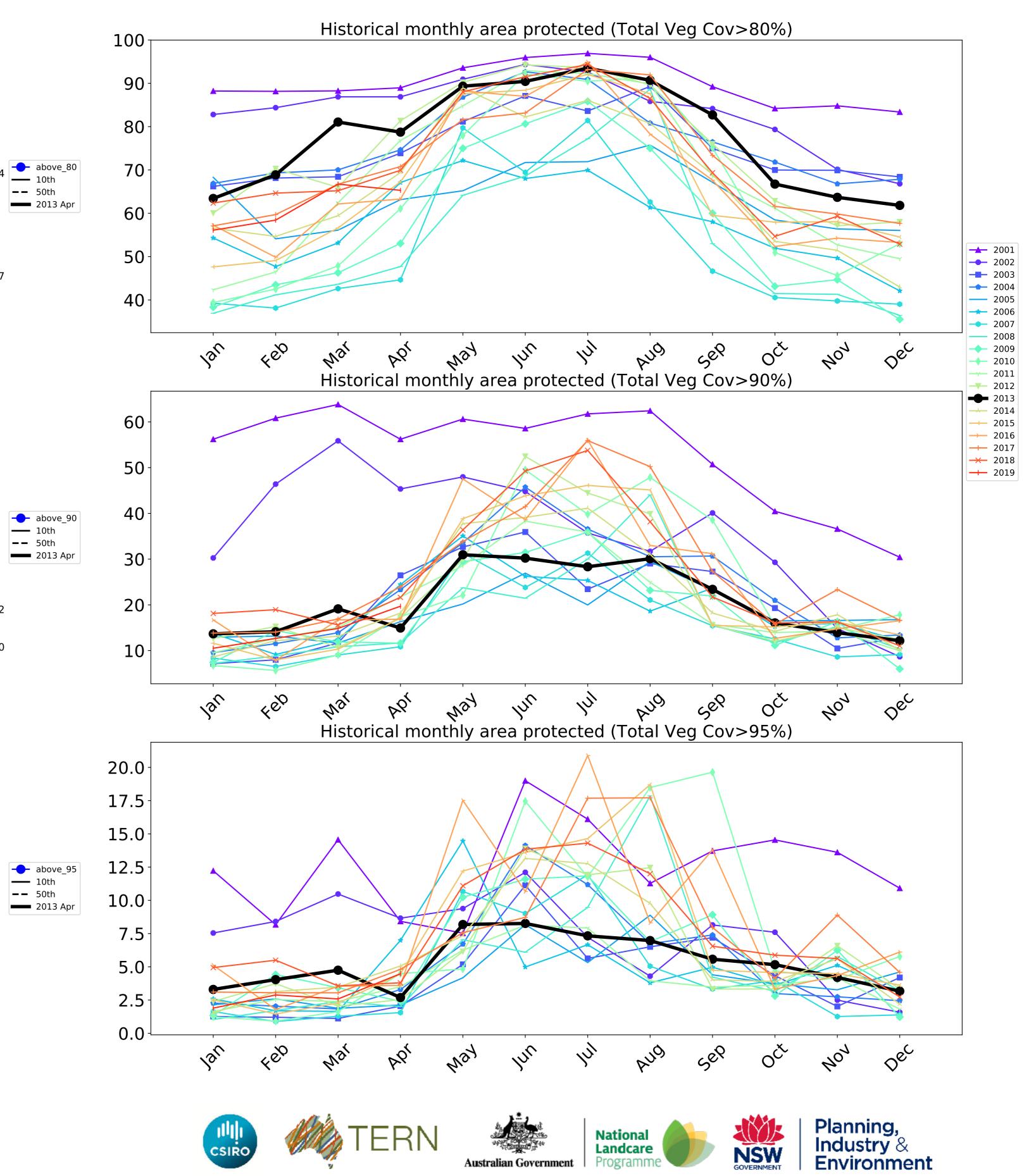
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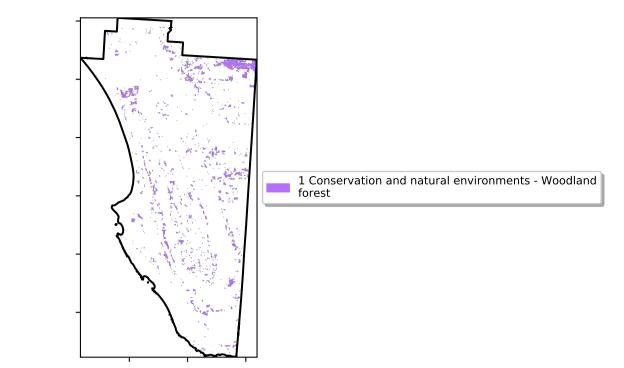






### **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest**

Land use and forest cover



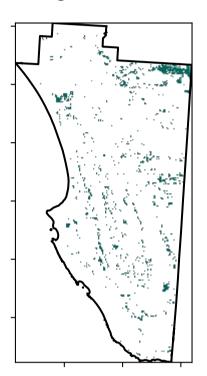
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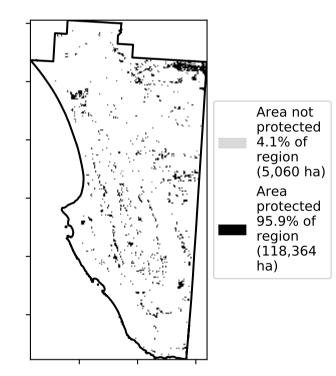
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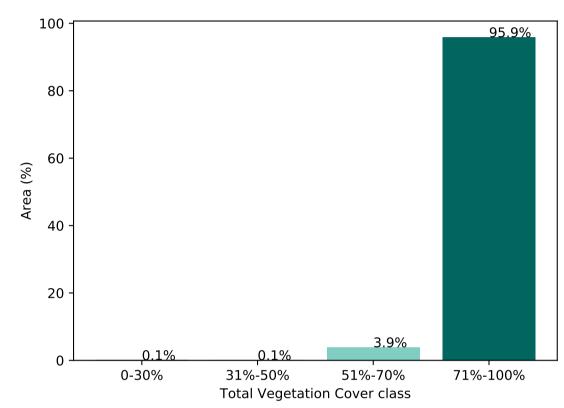
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



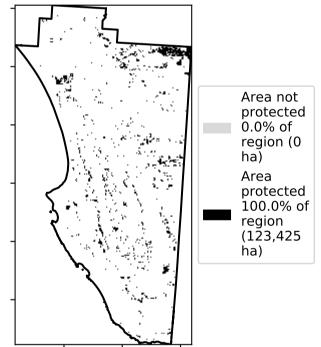






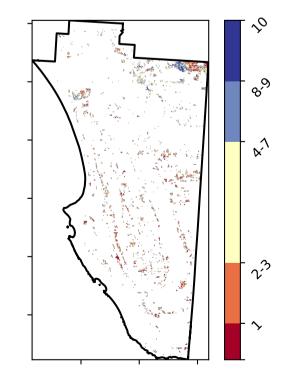


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



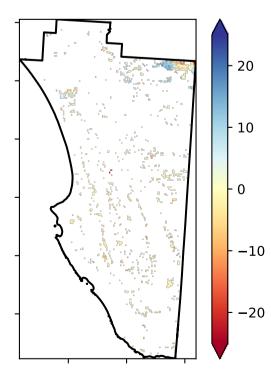
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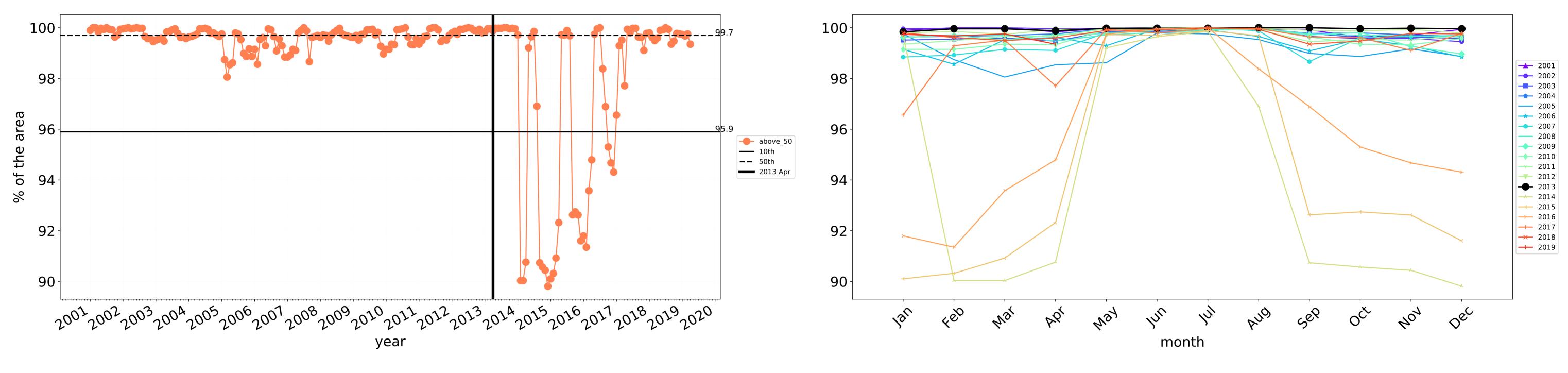
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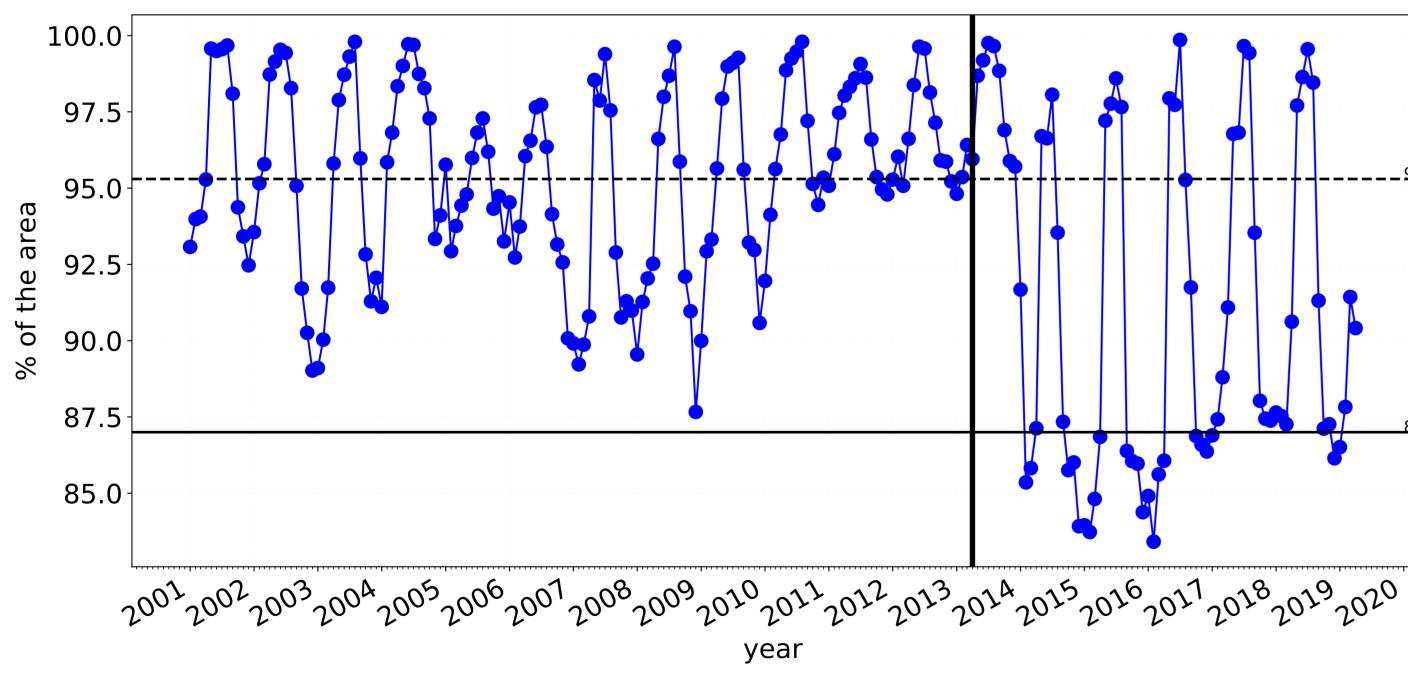
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

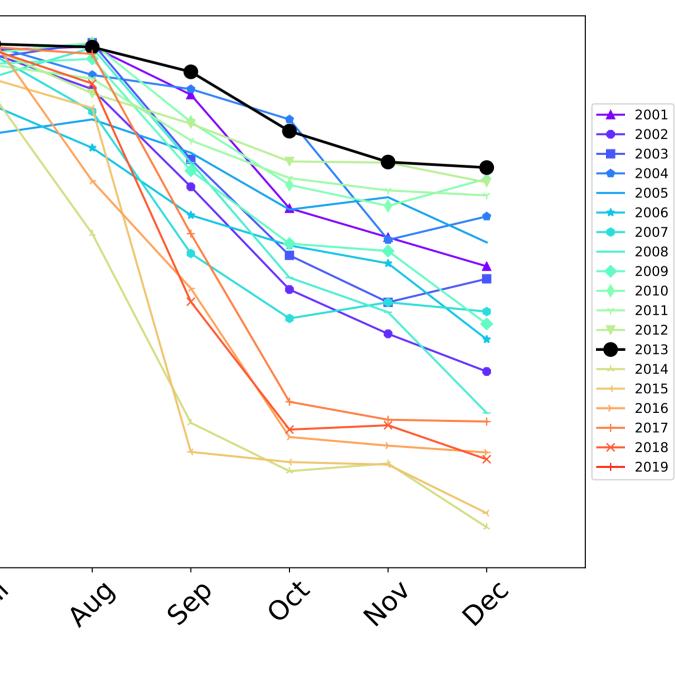




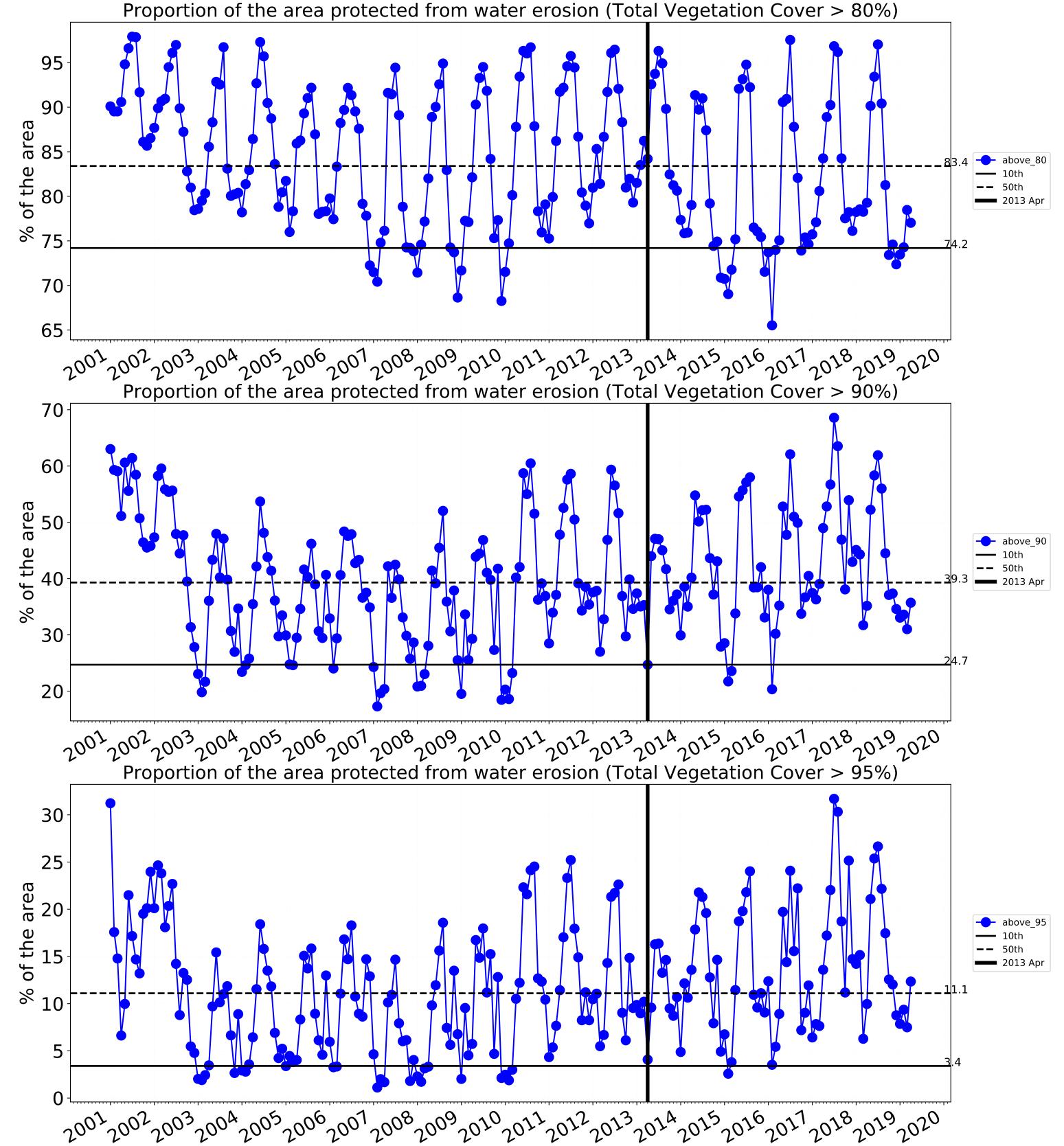
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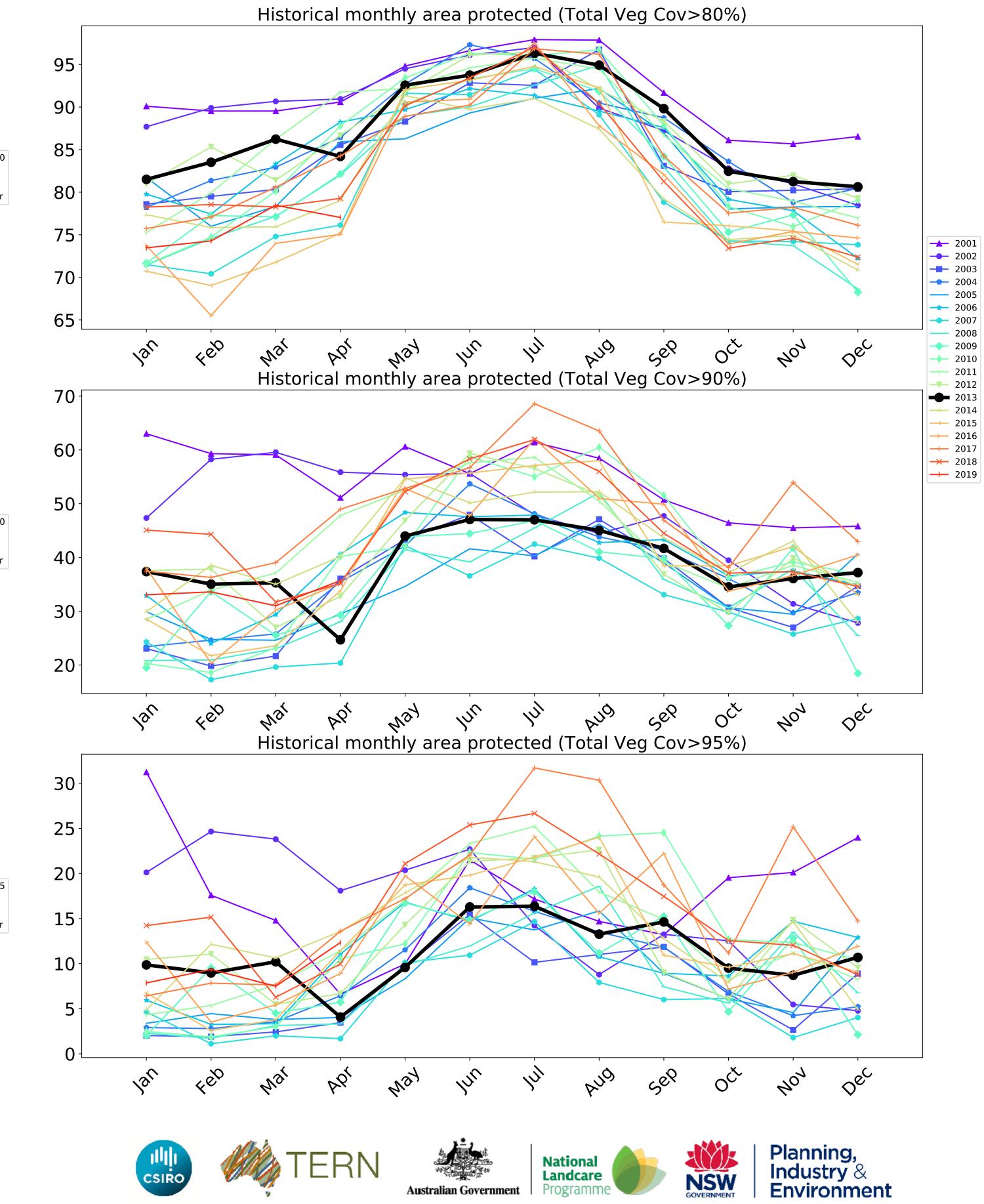
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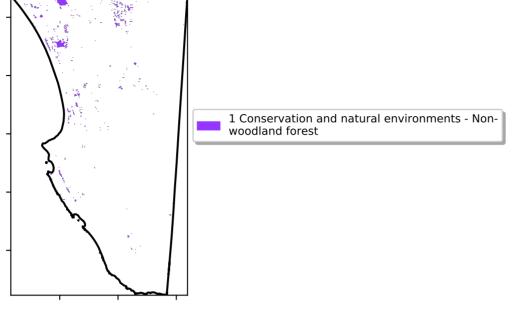




### **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

Land use and forest cover





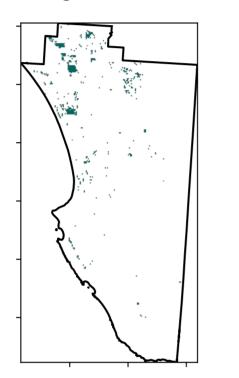
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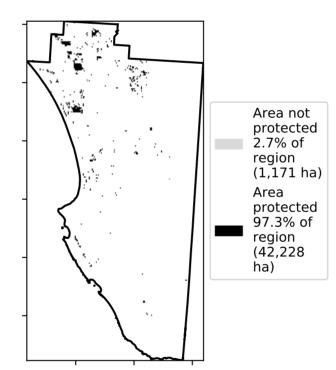
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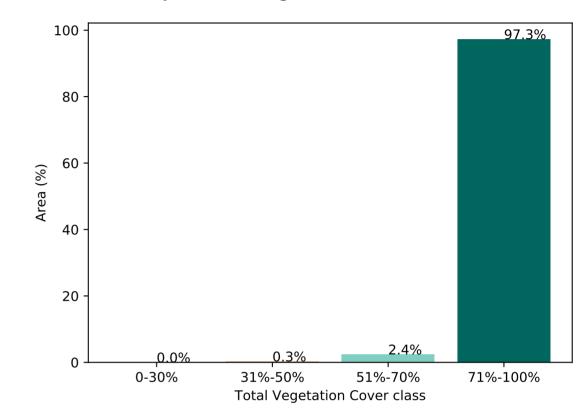
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



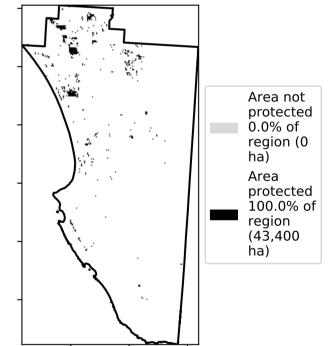




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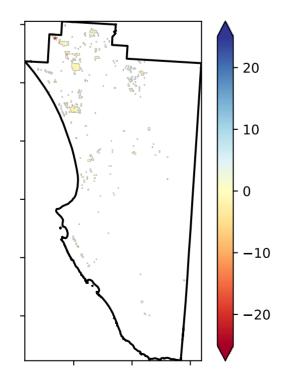


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



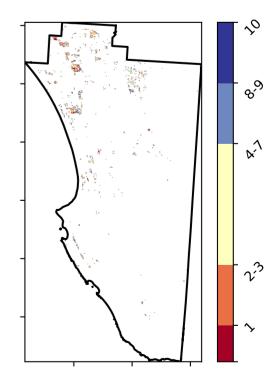
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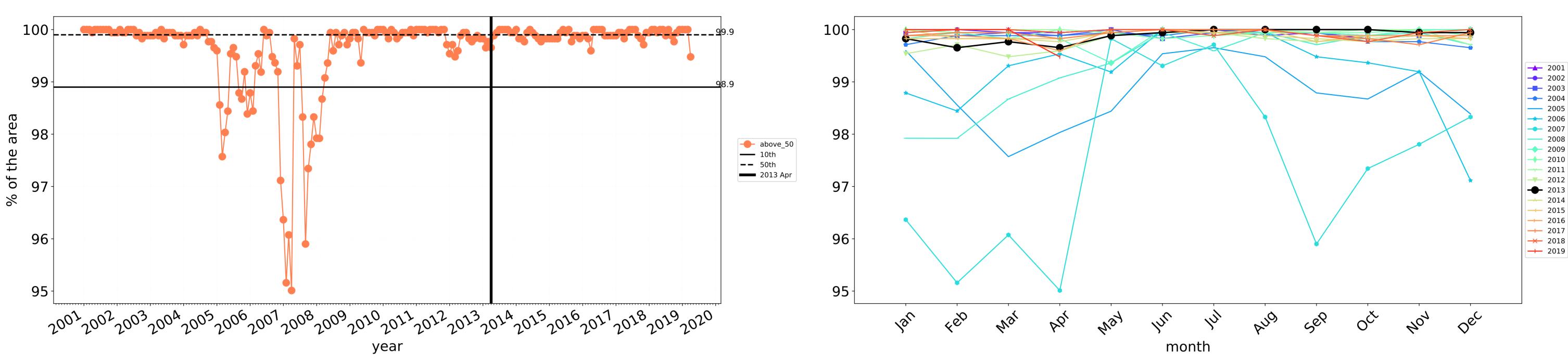
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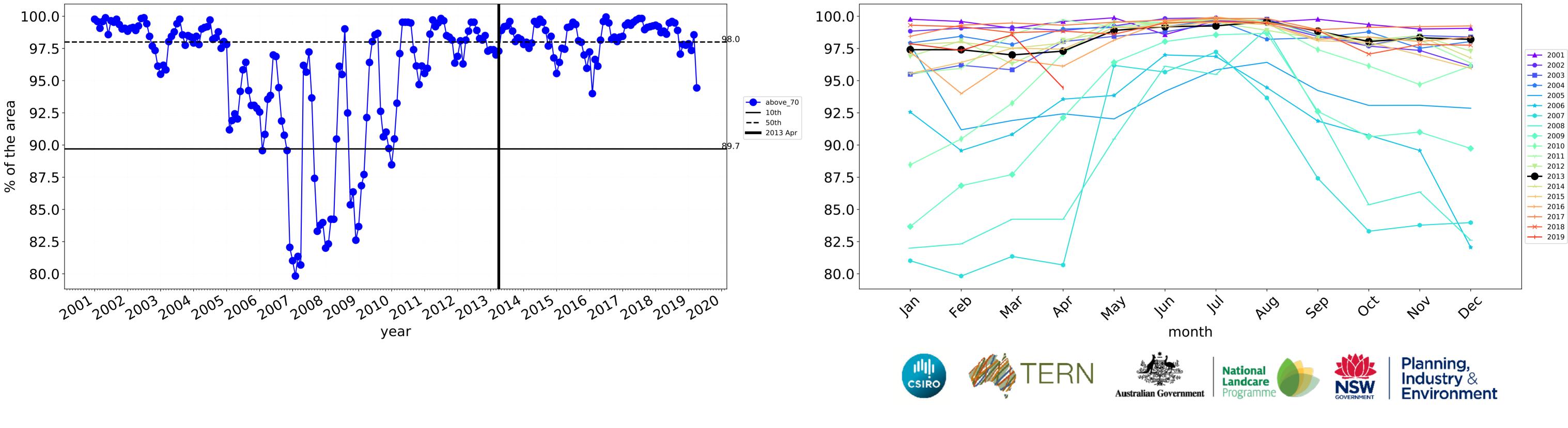


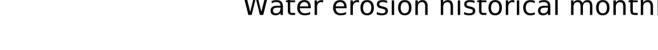
### Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries



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

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

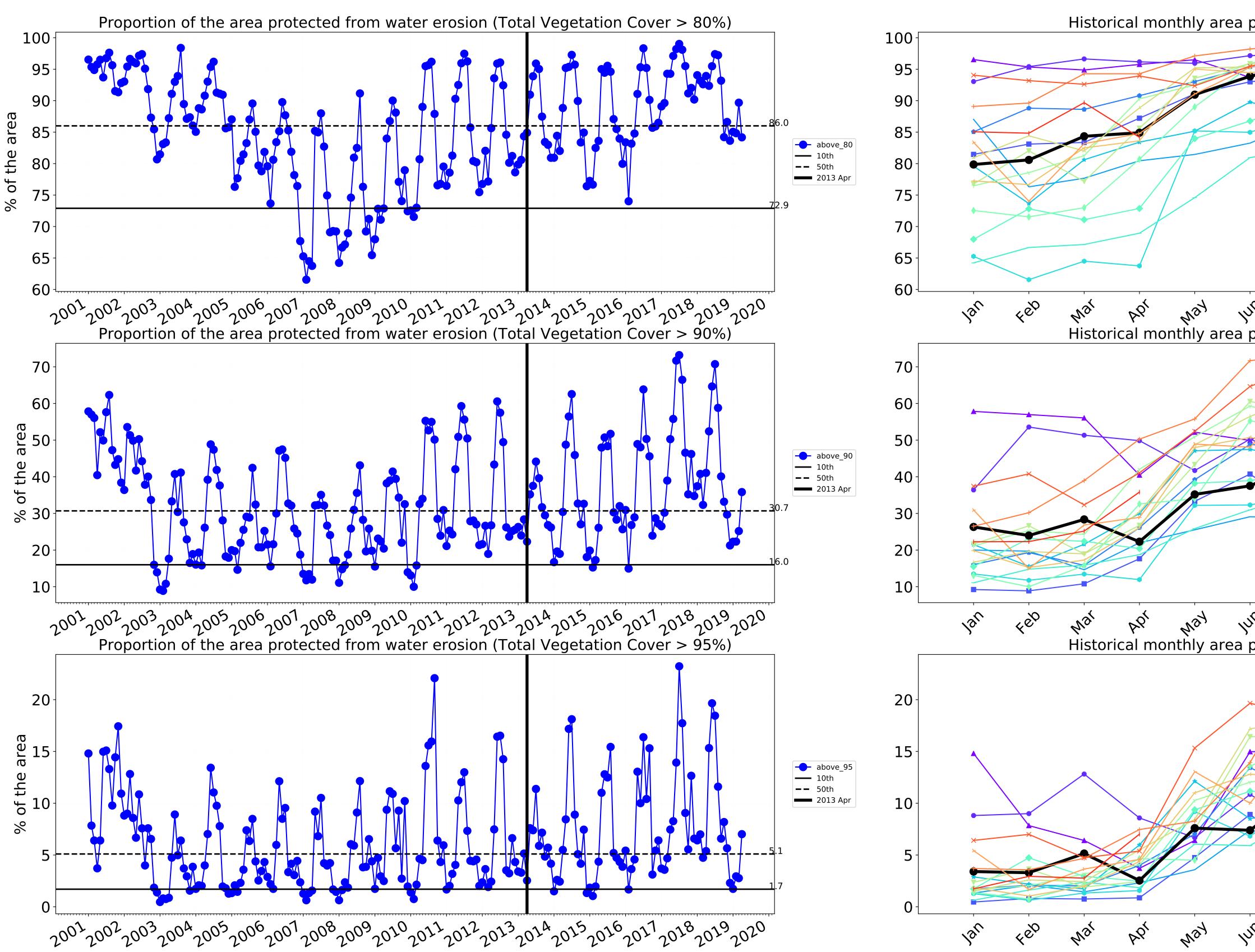


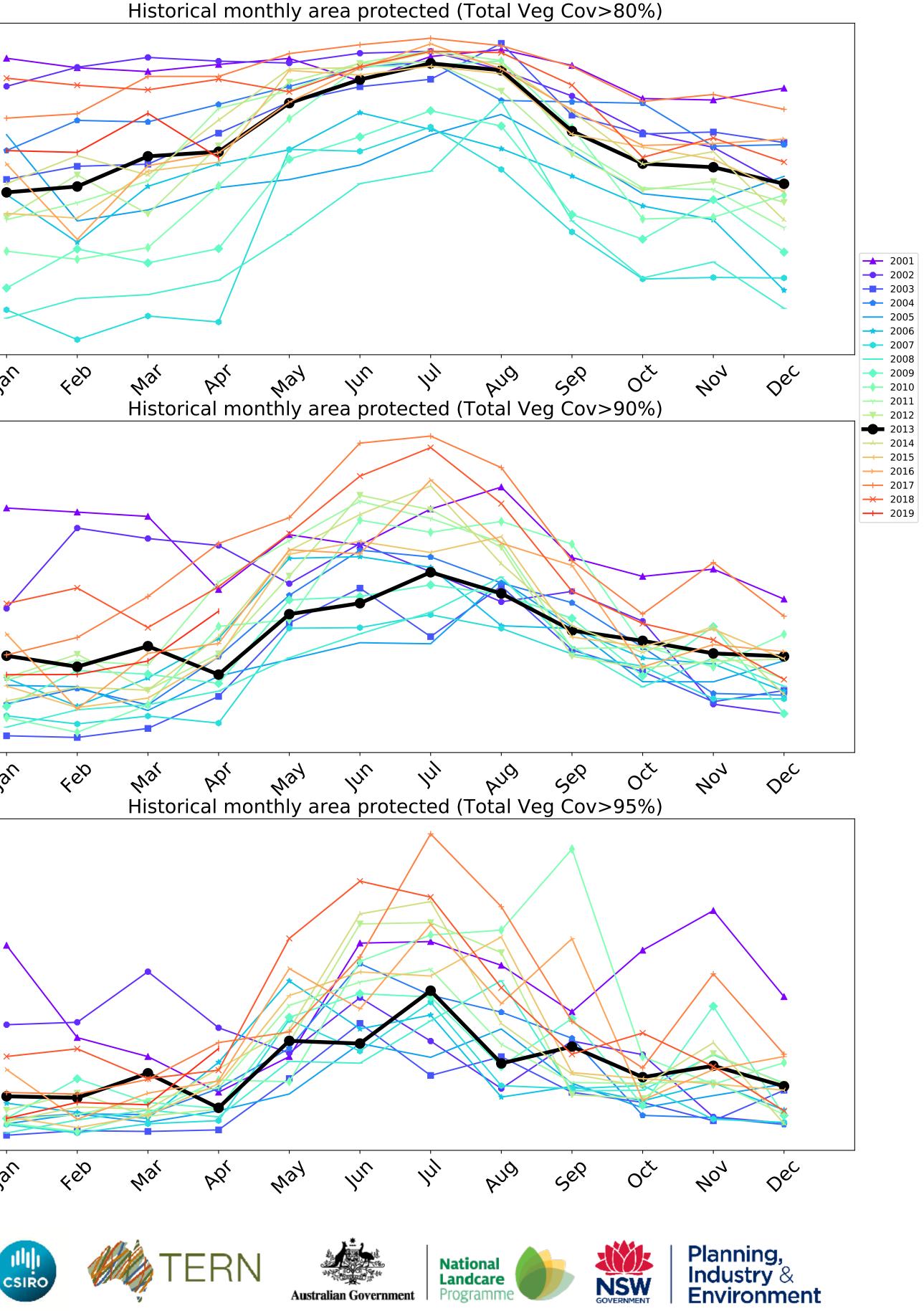


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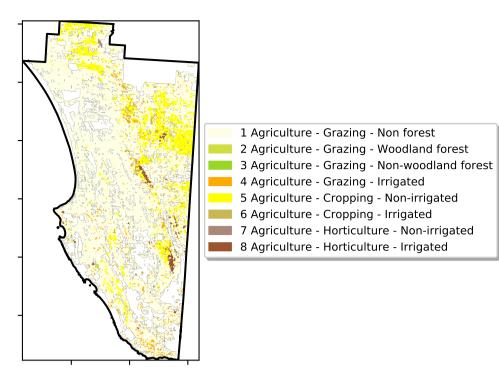




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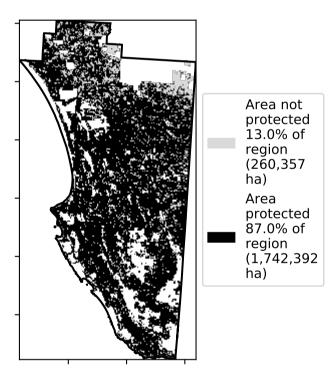
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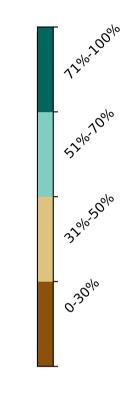
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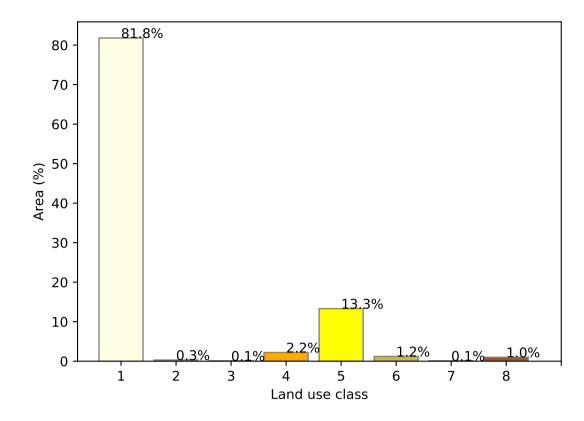
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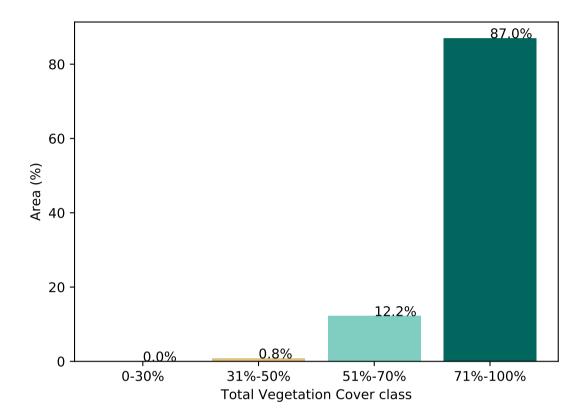




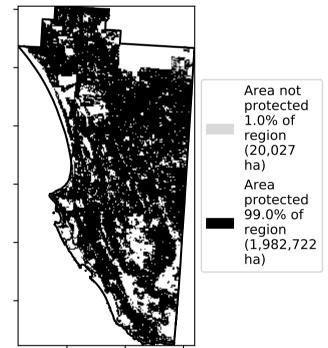
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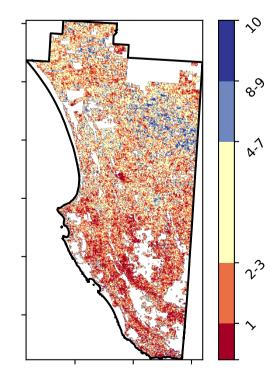
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#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

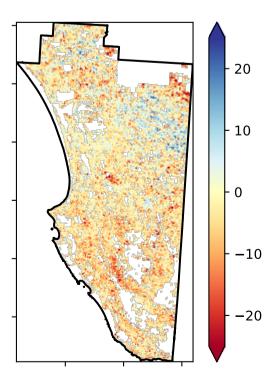


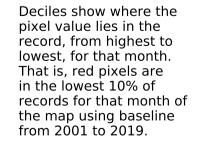
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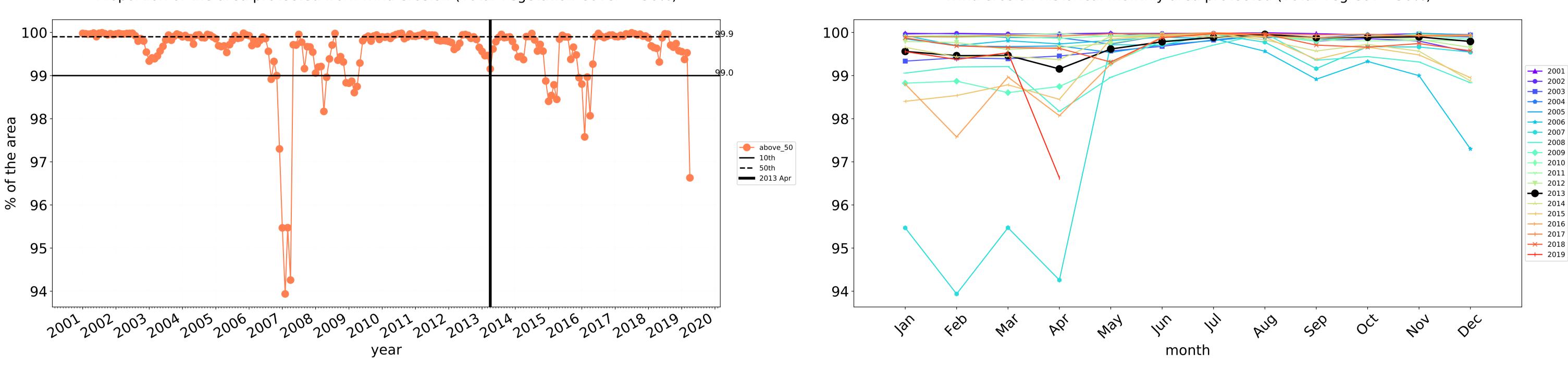
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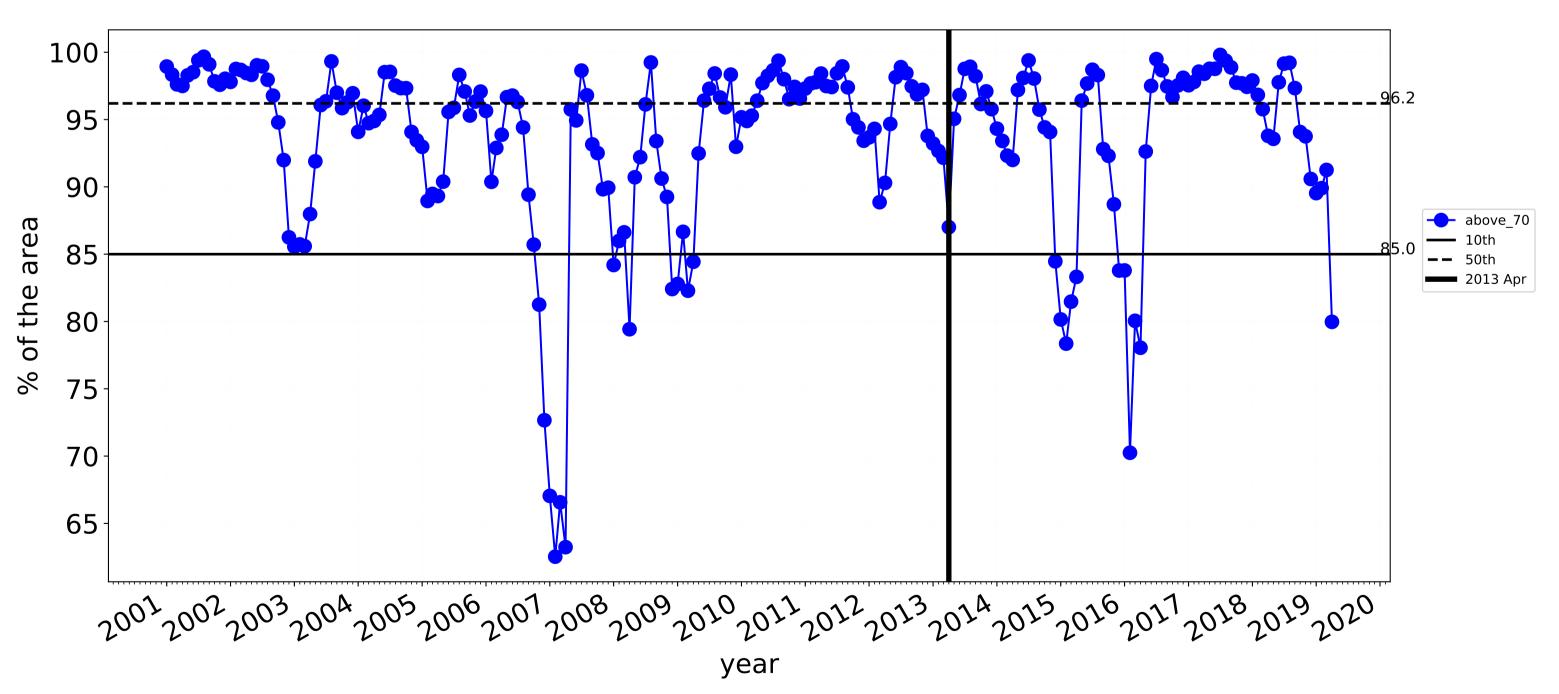






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

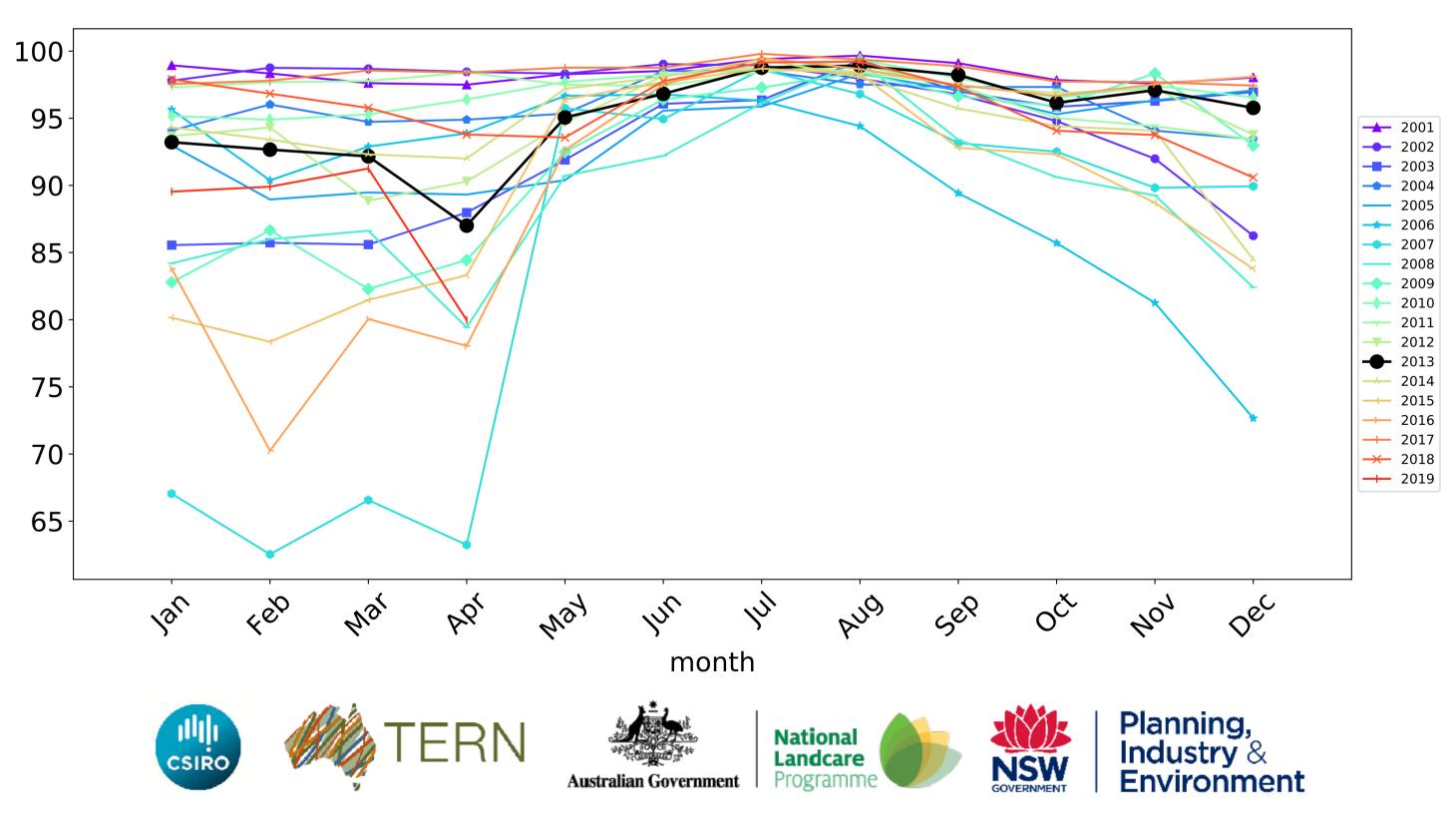
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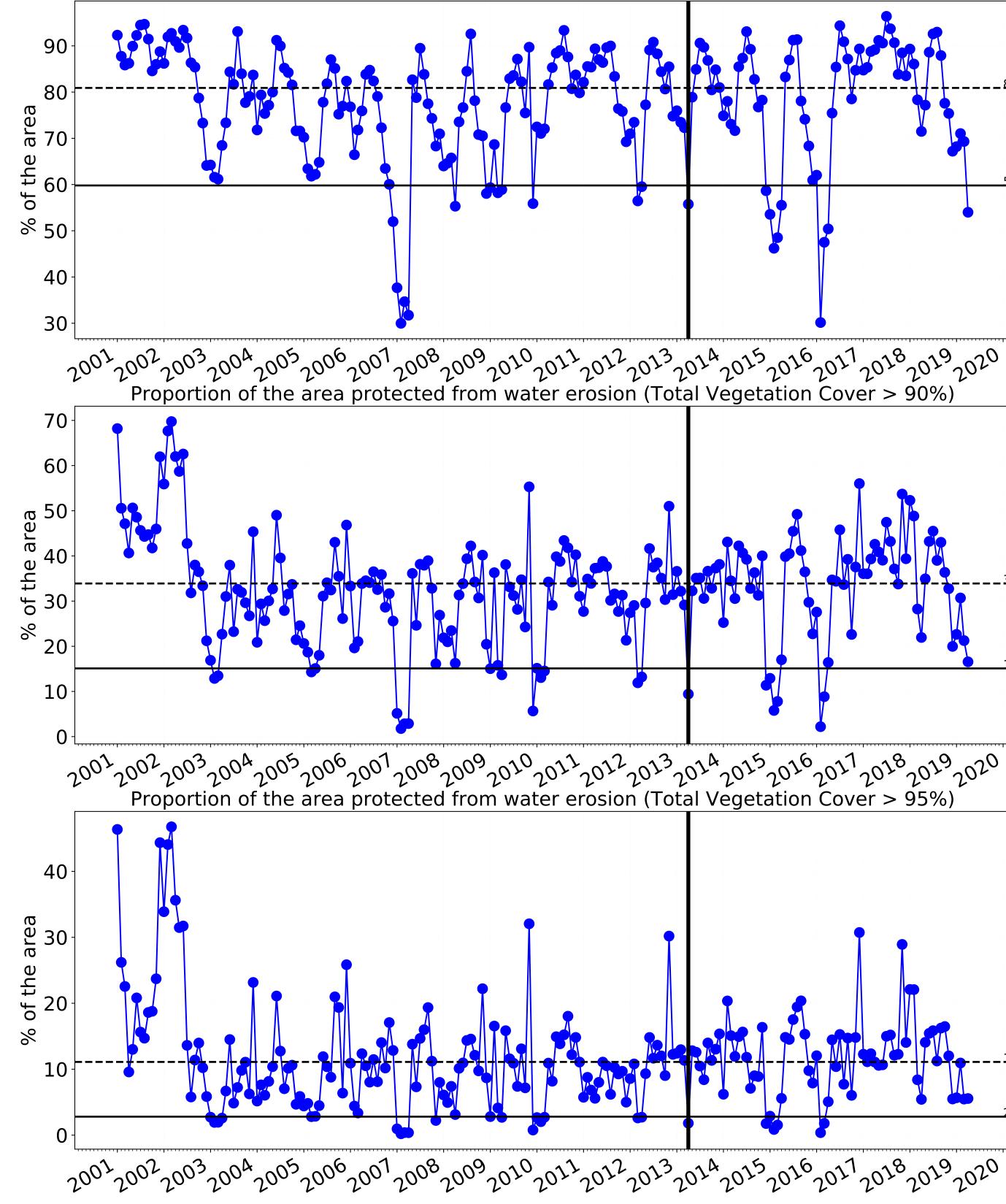
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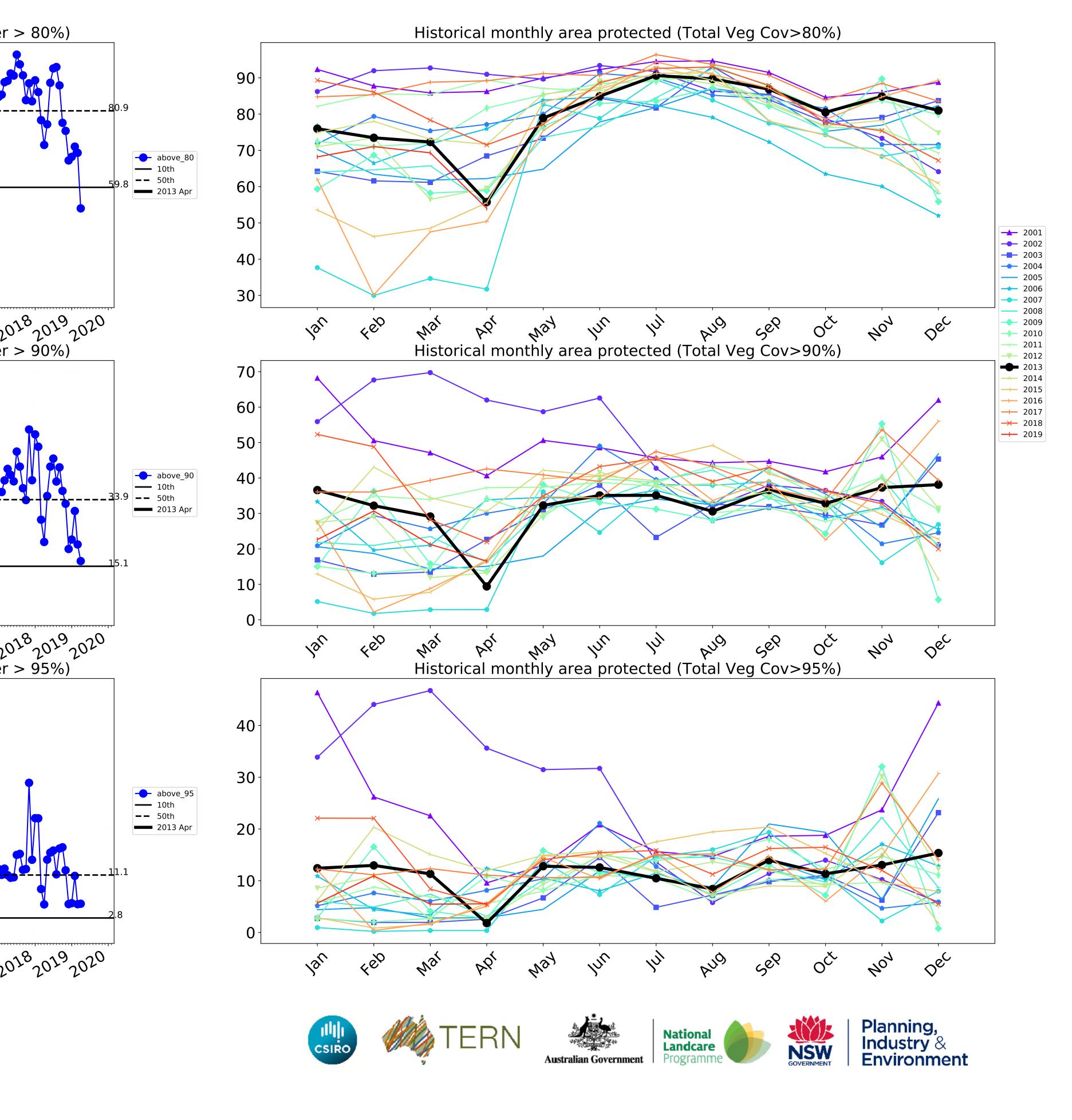
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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



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

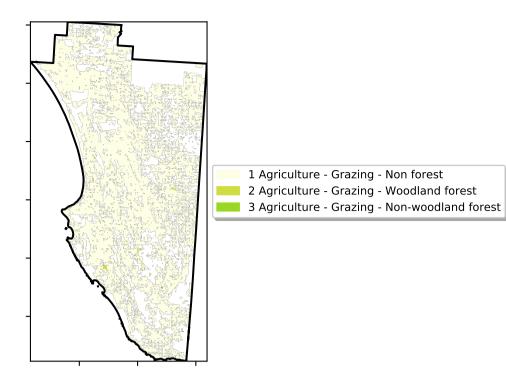




### Grazing

#### Land use and forest cover

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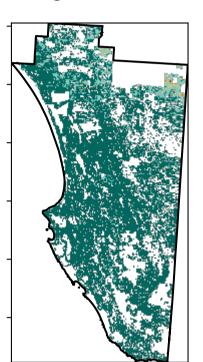
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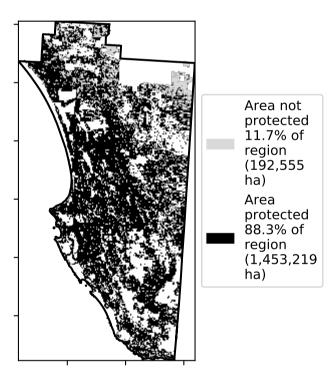
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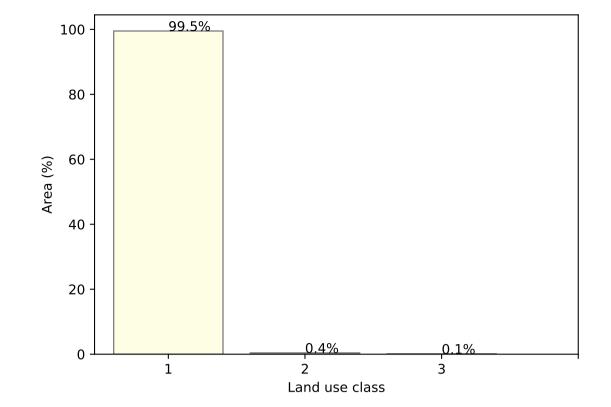
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#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

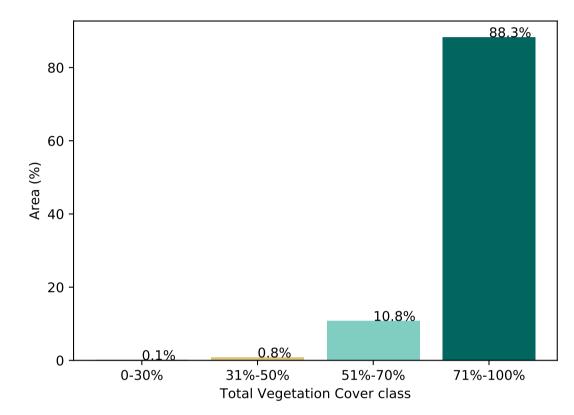








#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



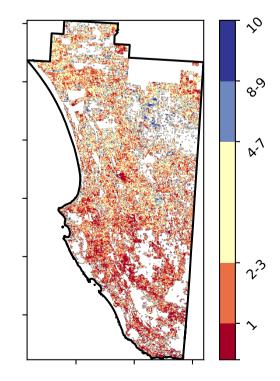
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Area not protected 1.0% of region (16,457 ha) Area protected 99.0% of region (1,629,317 ha)

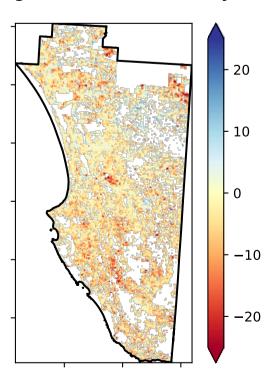
#### Proportion of each land class in area

#### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



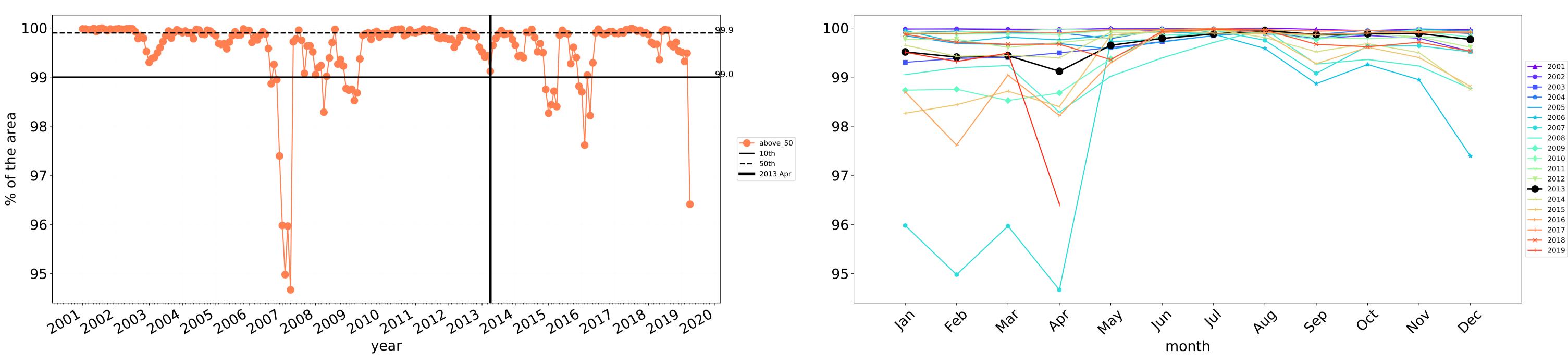
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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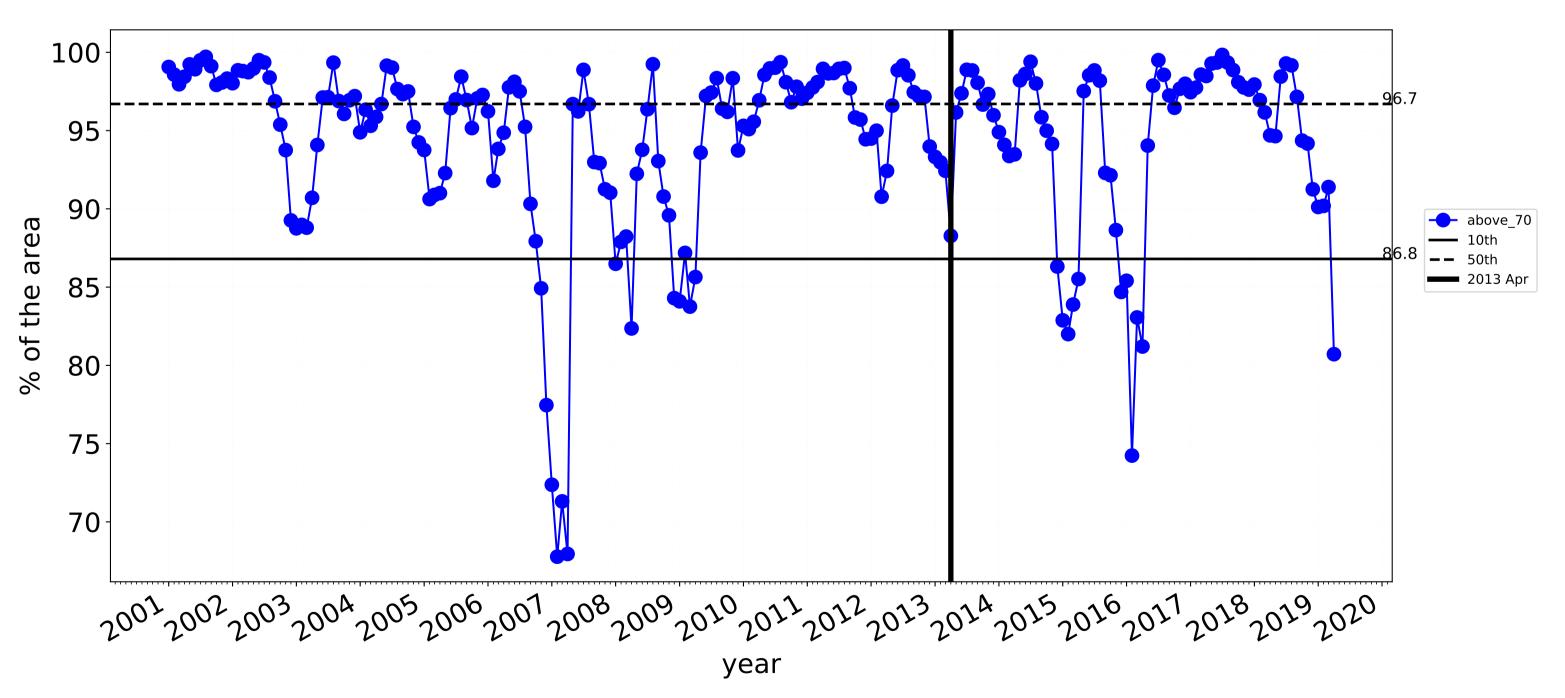
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

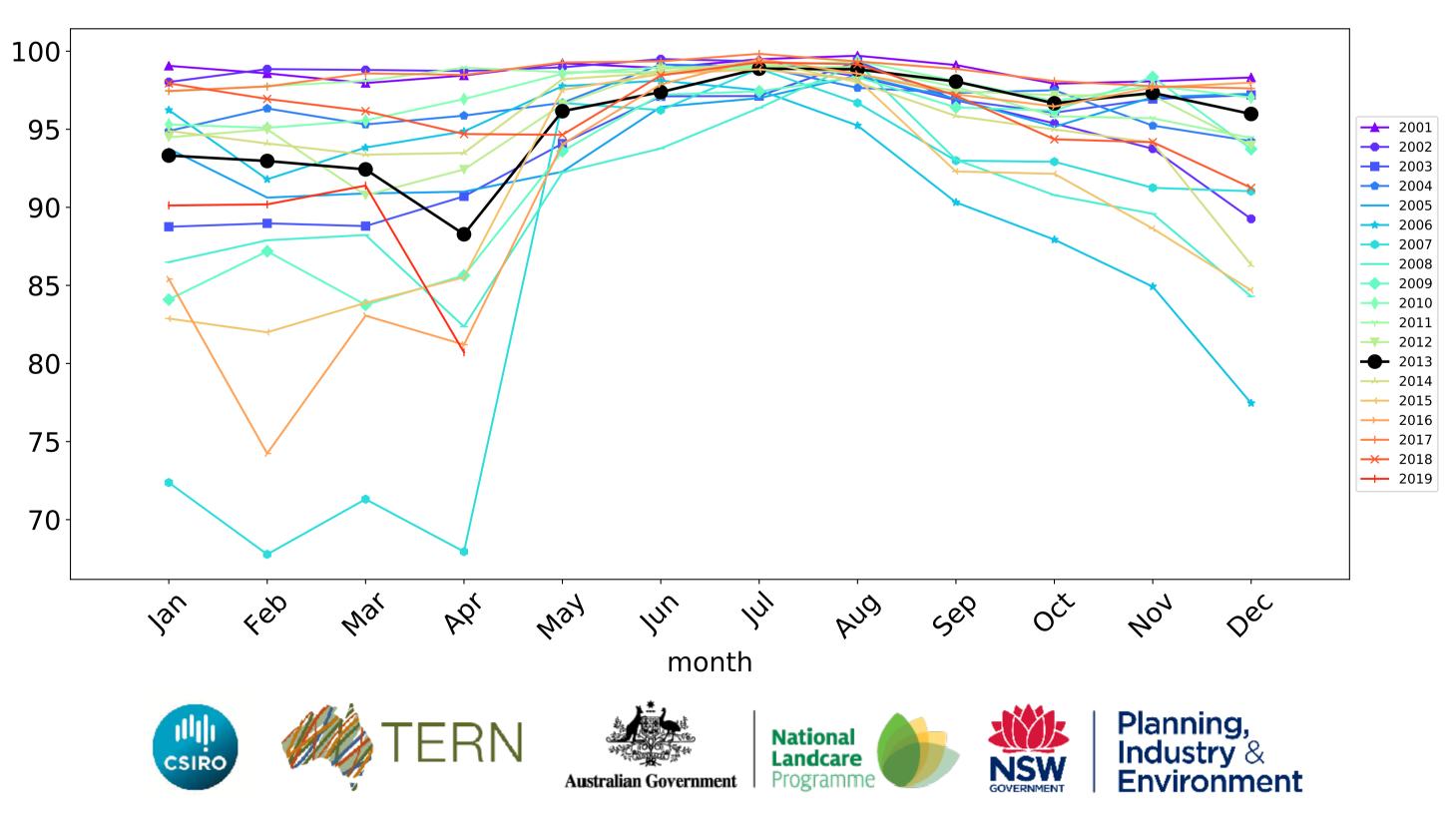
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

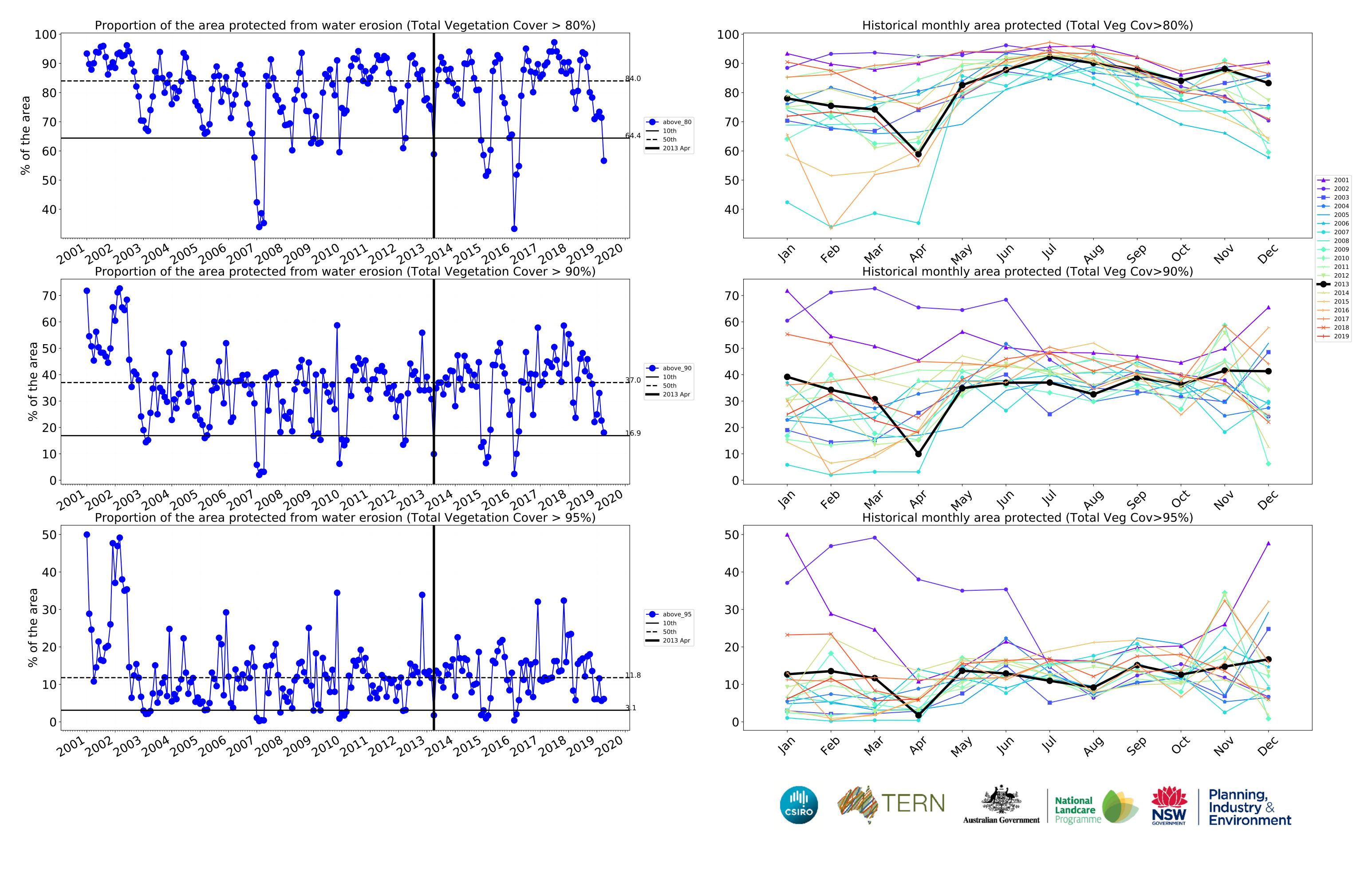


### Grazing timeseries

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

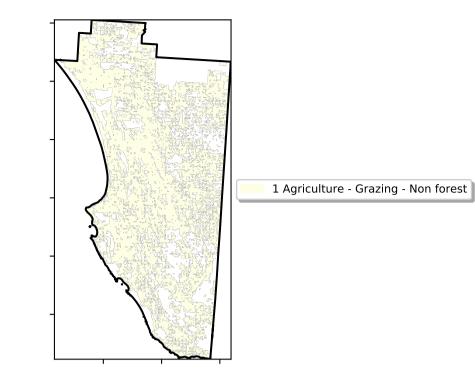
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



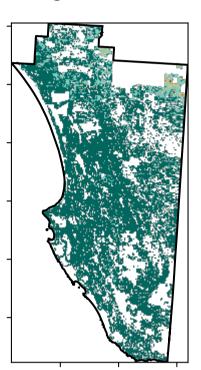


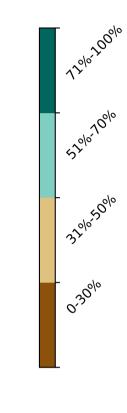
### **Grazing non forest**

#### Land use and forest cover

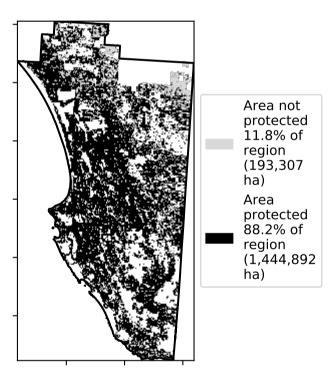


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

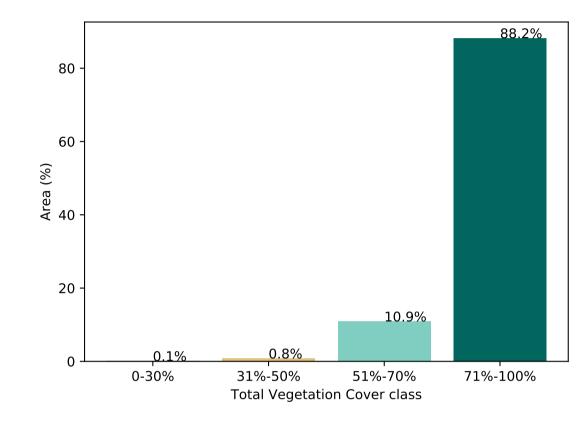




% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

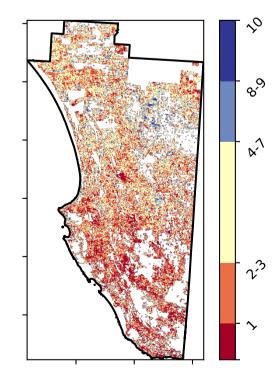


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Area not protected 1.0% of region (16,382 ha) Area protected 99.0% of region (1,621,818 ha)

### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



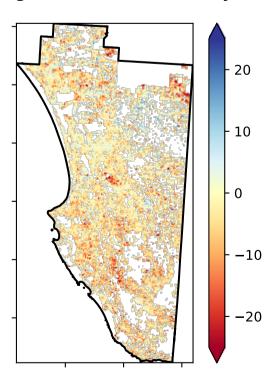
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

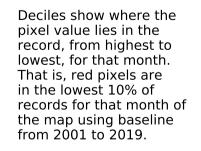
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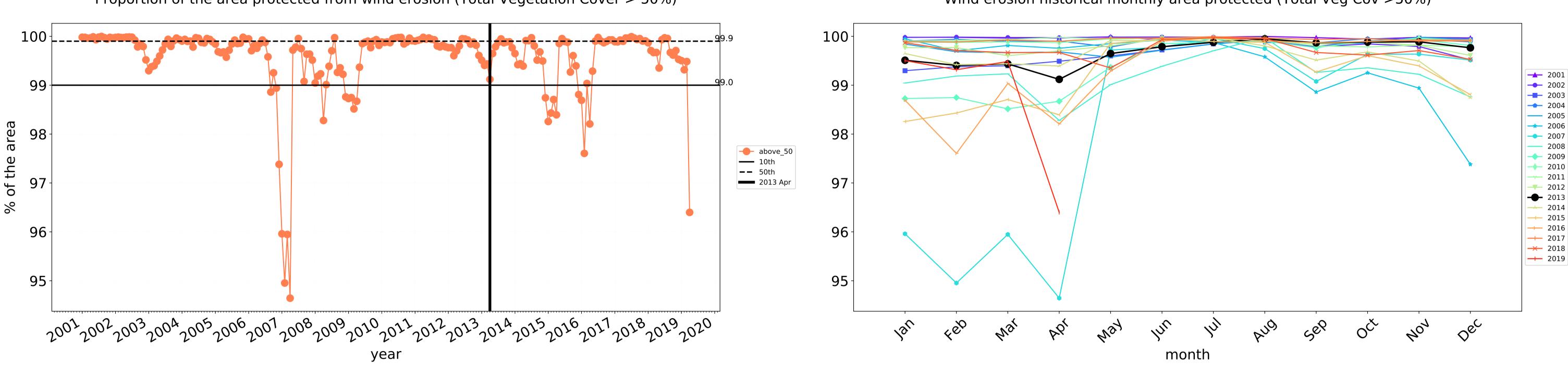
Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

Catchment Scale Land



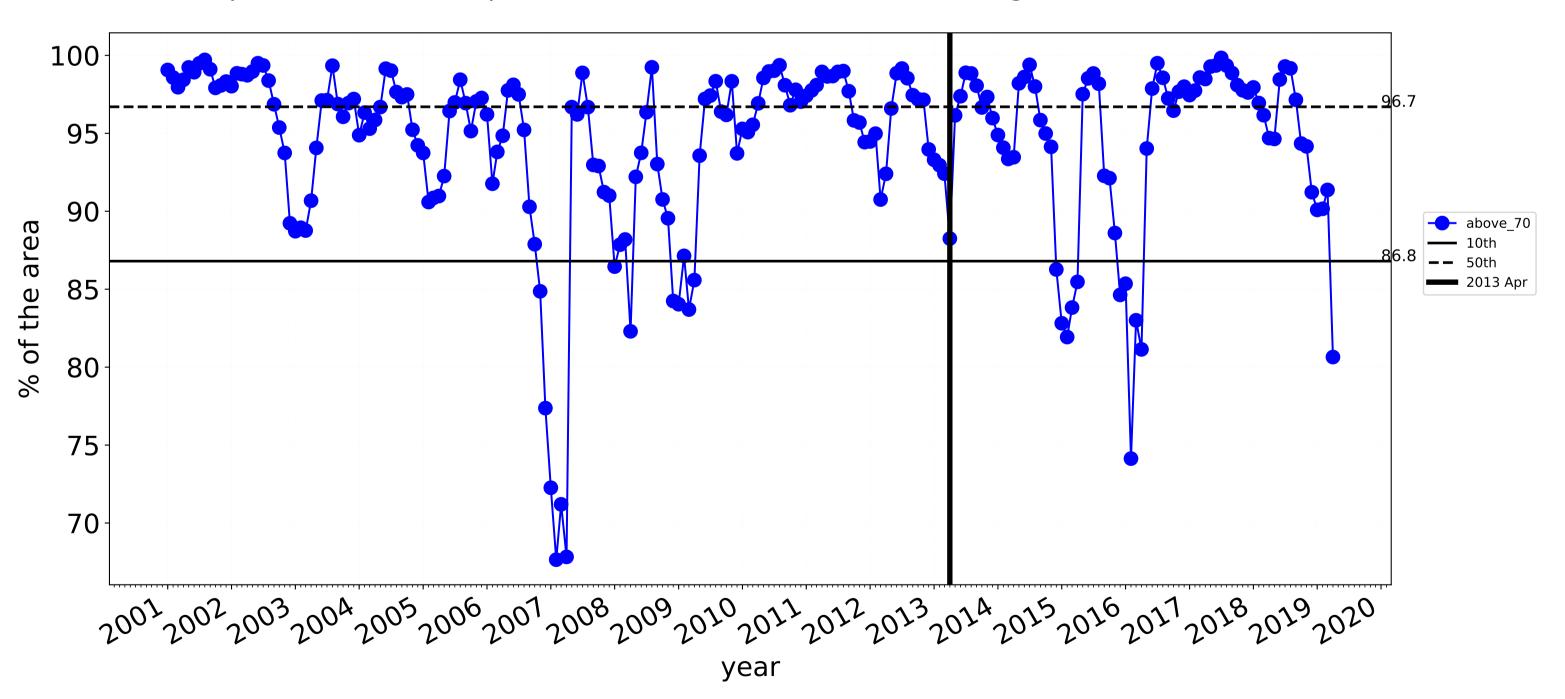






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

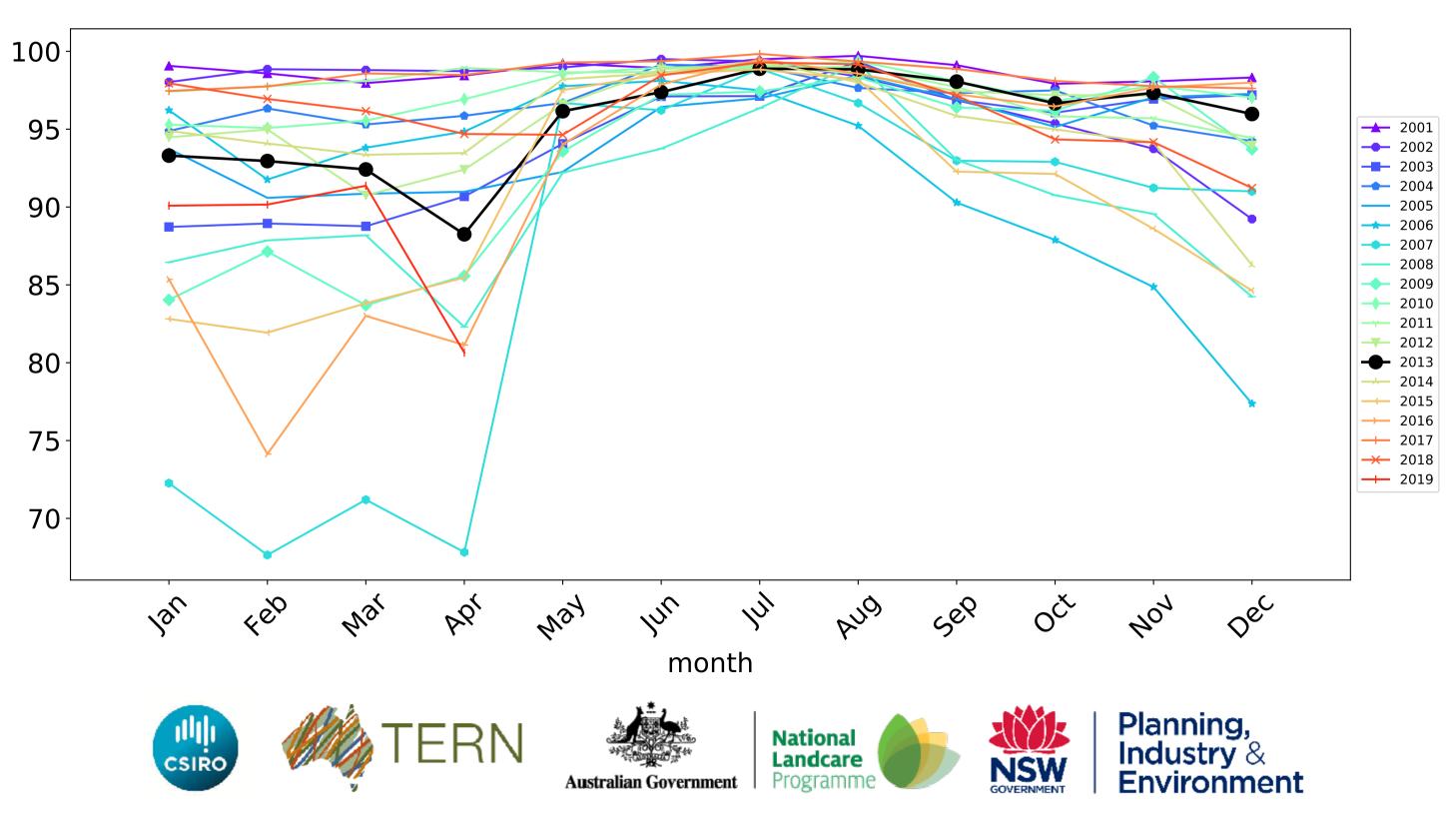
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

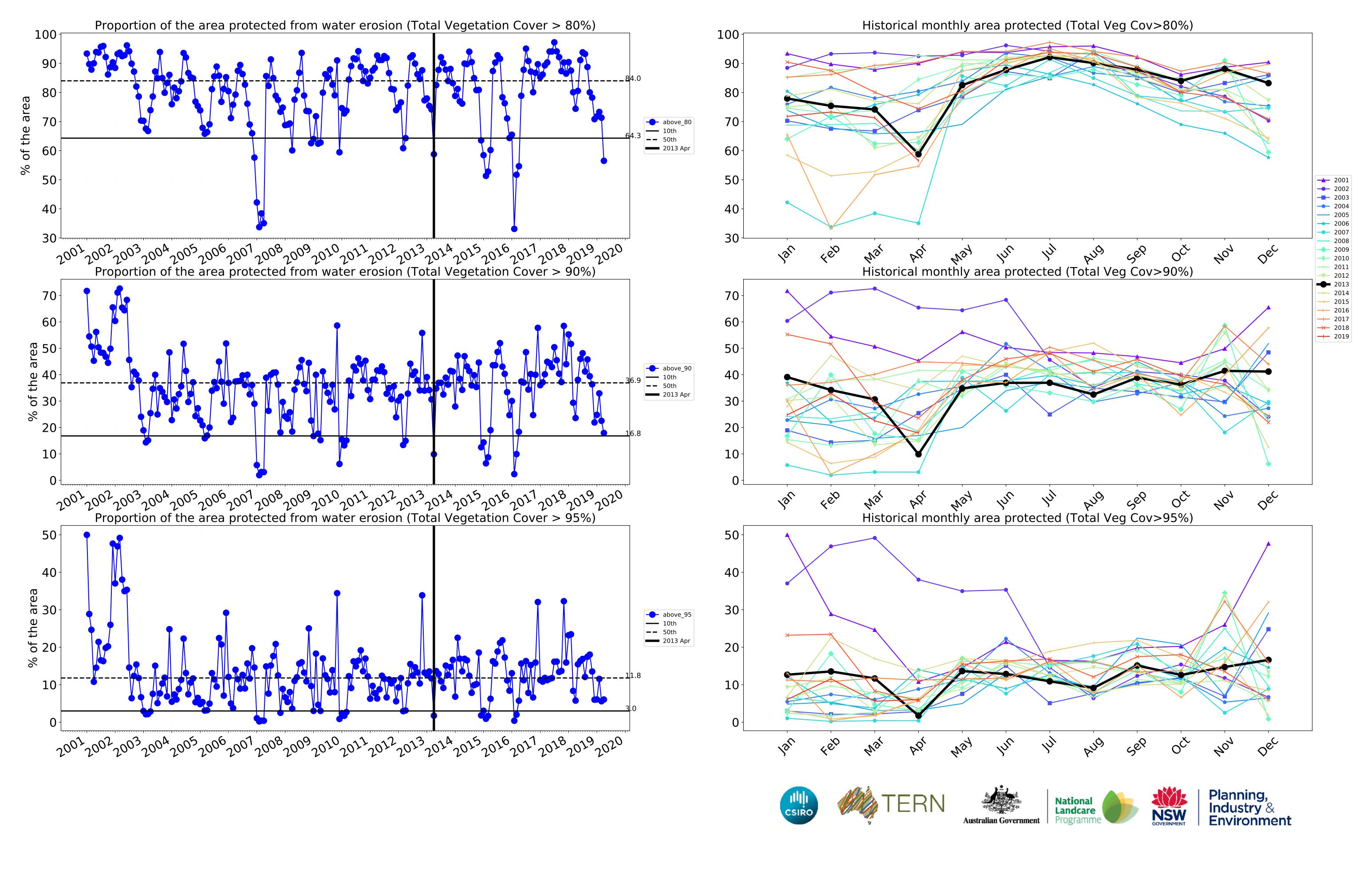


### Grazing non forest timeseries

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

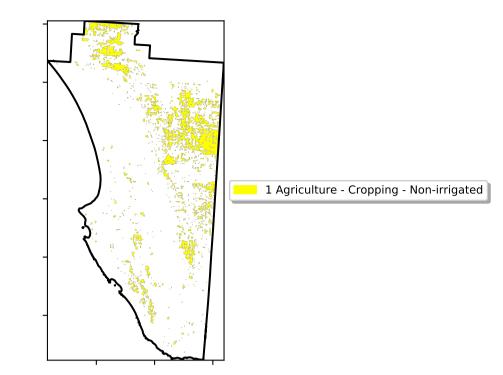
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



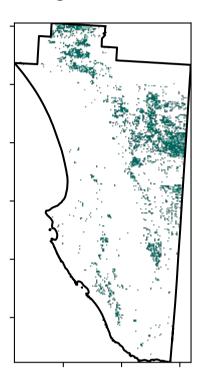


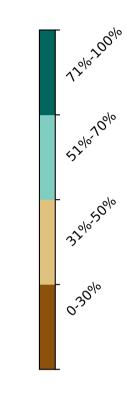
### Cropping

#### Land use and forest cover

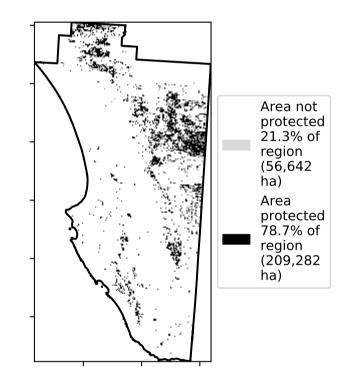


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

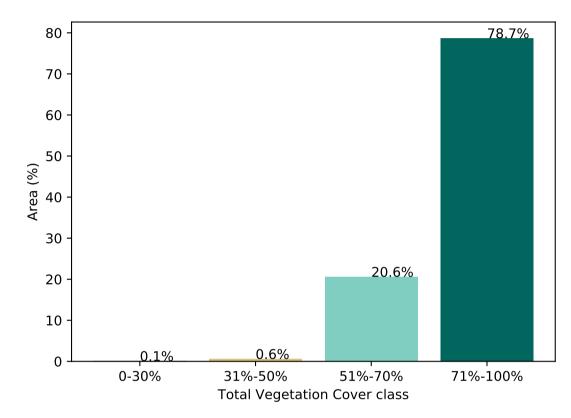




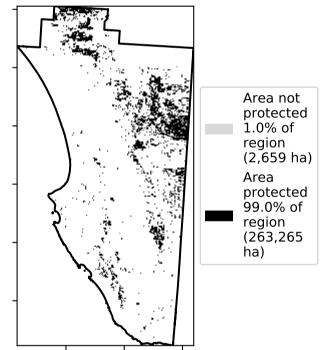
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

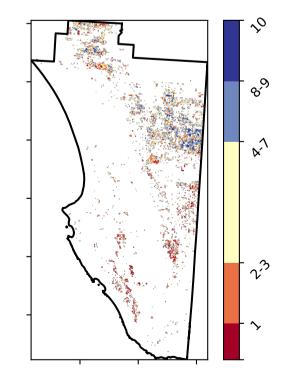


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



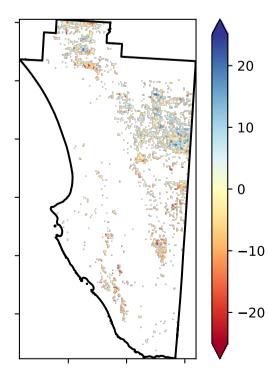
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



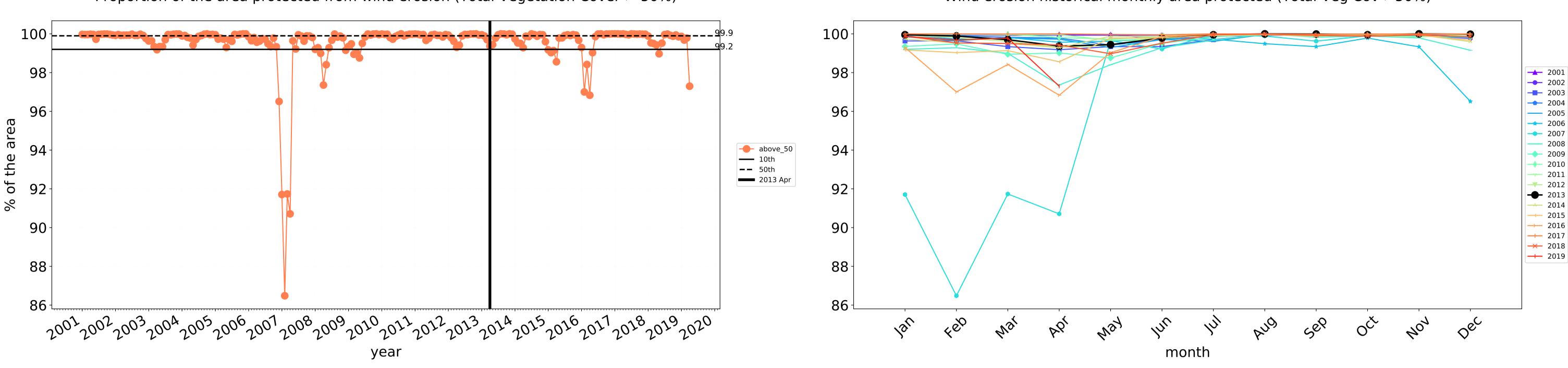
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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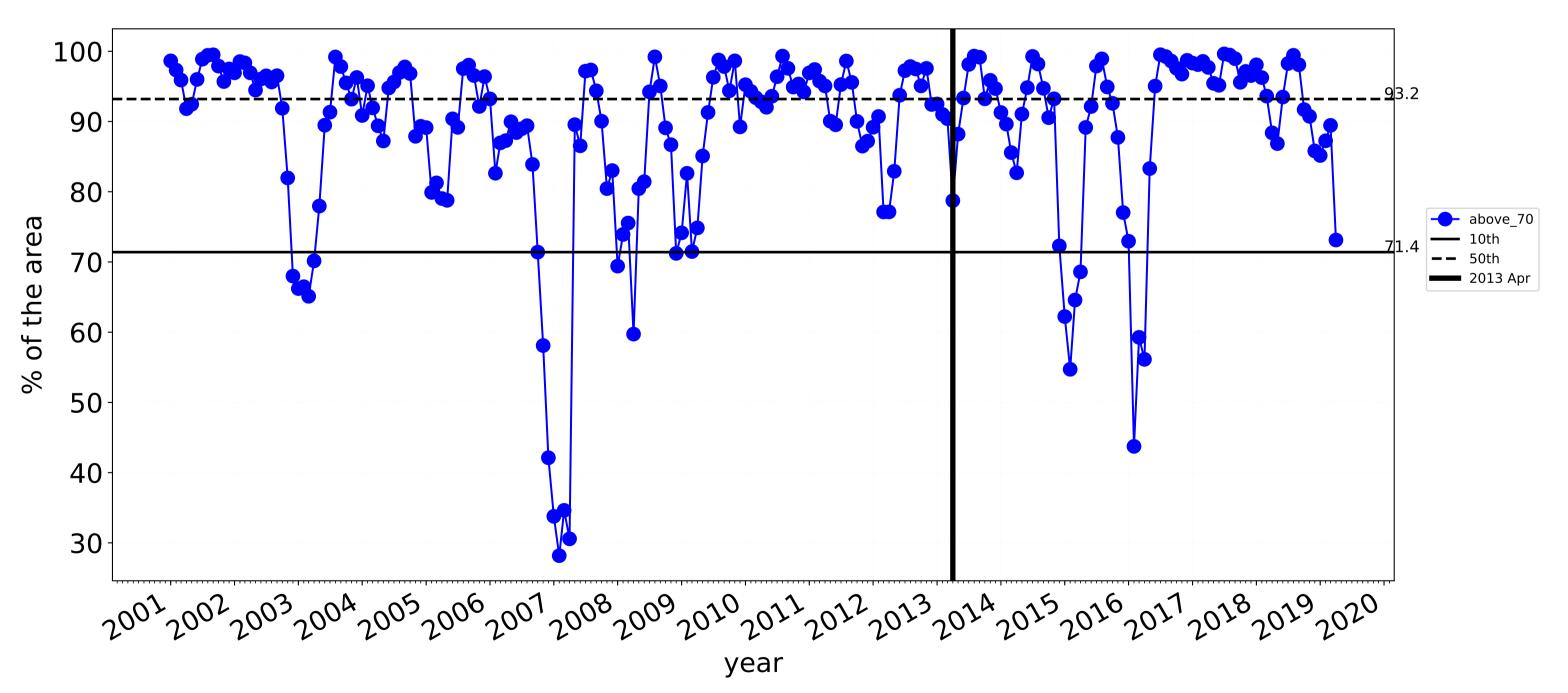
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

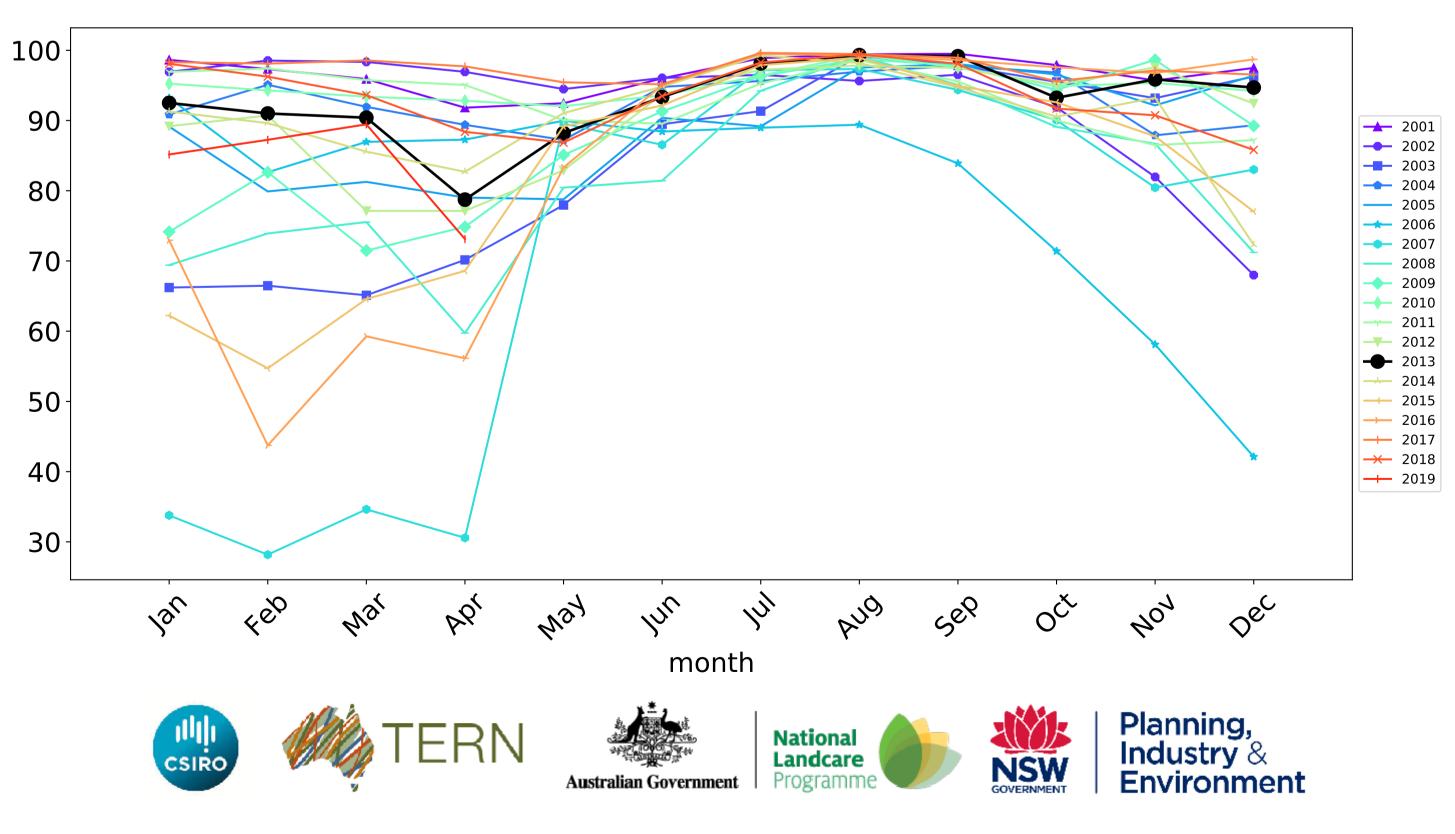
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

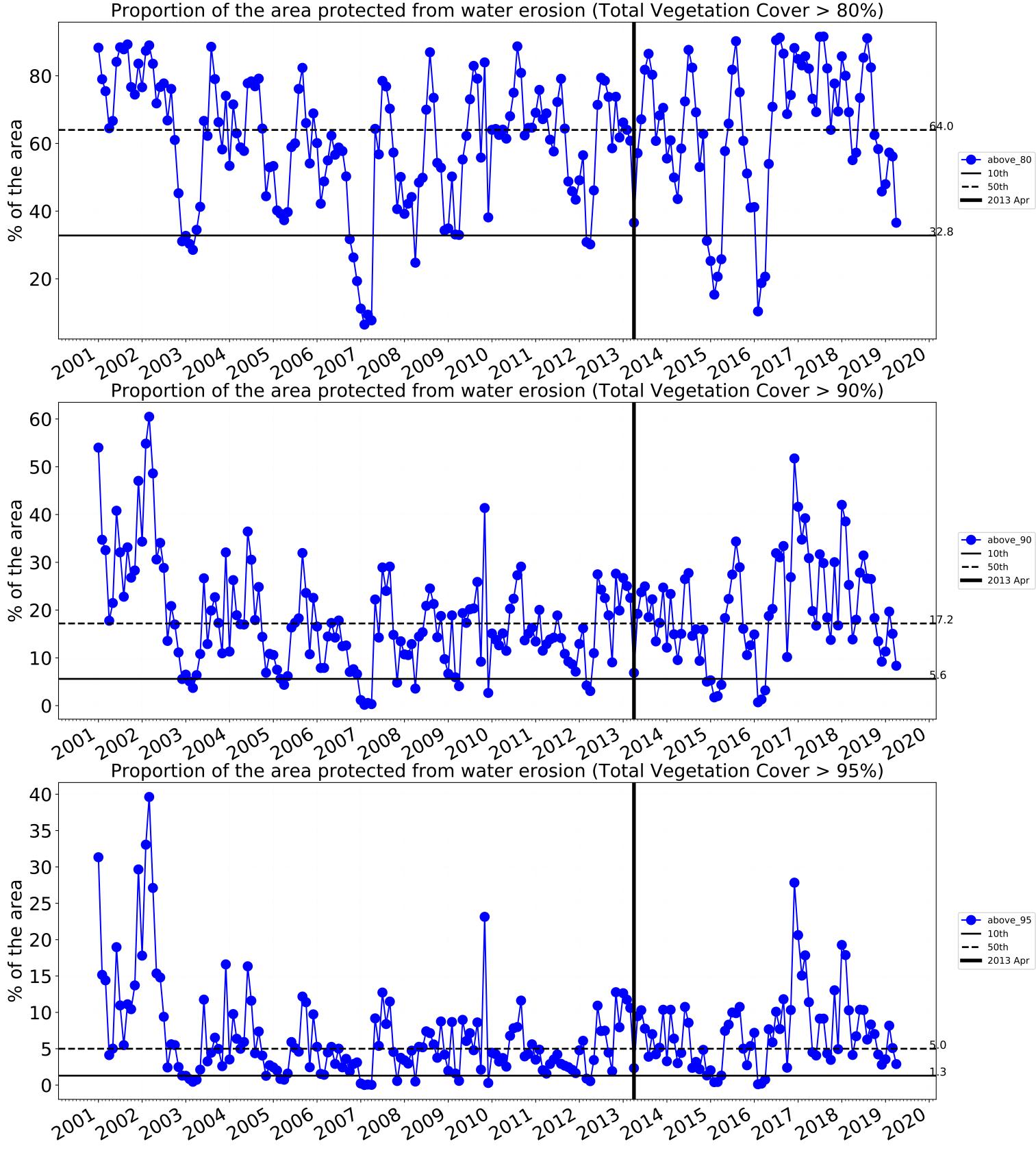


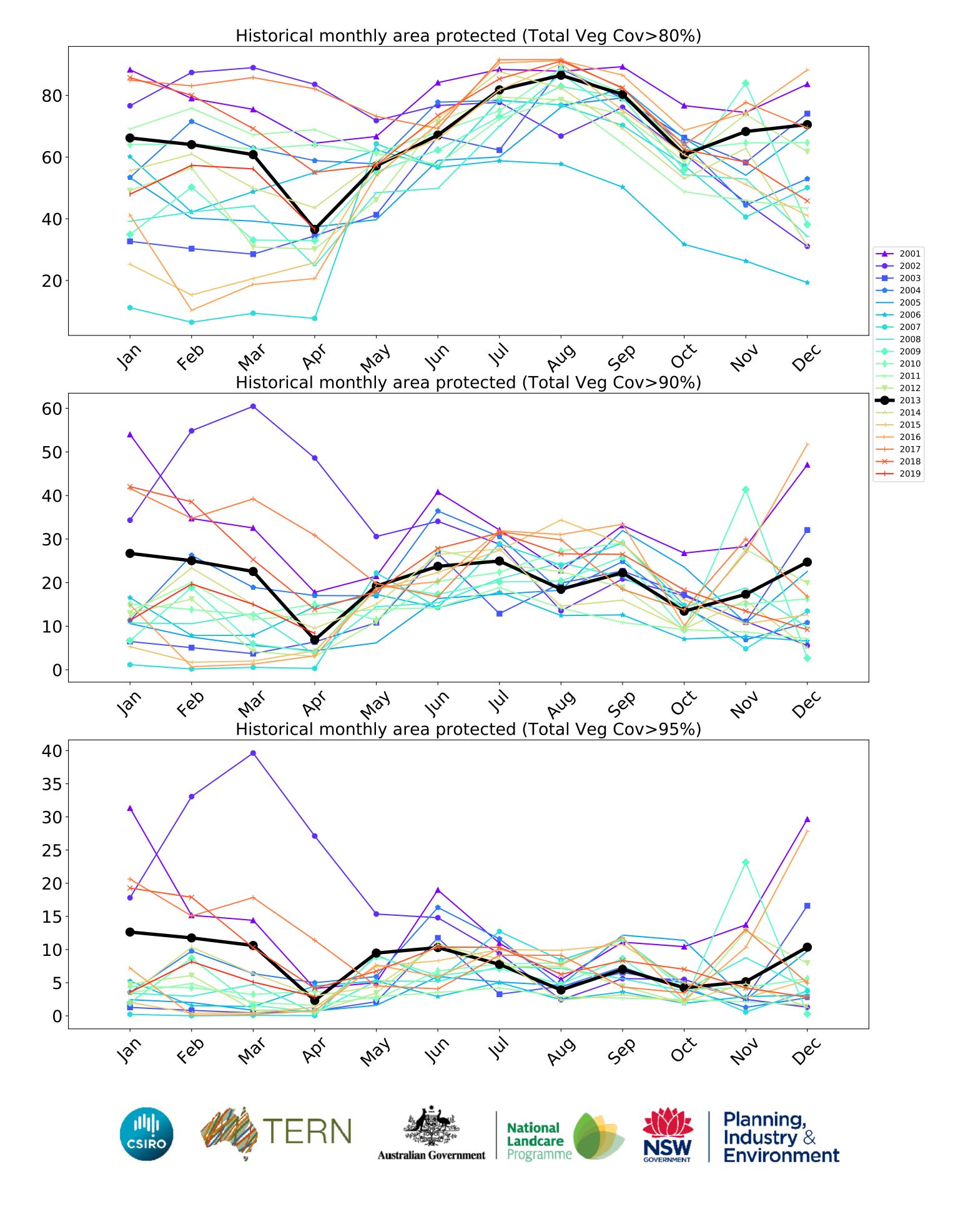
### **Cropping timeseries**

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

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



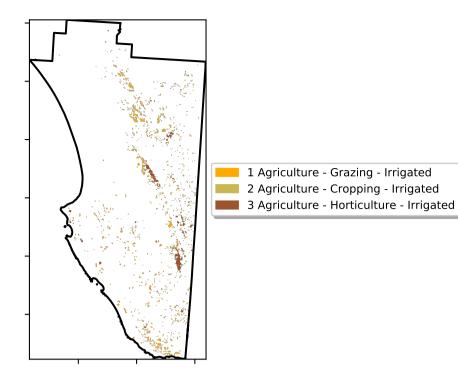




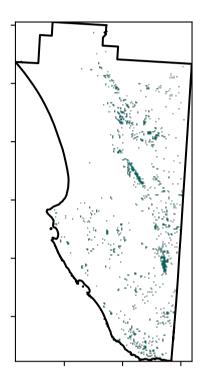
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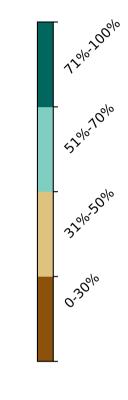
#### Land use and forest cover

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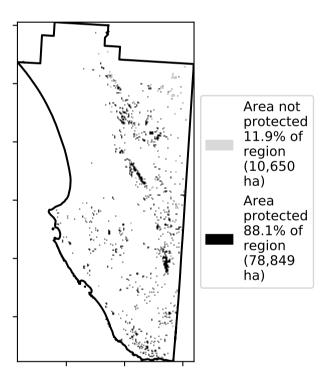
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

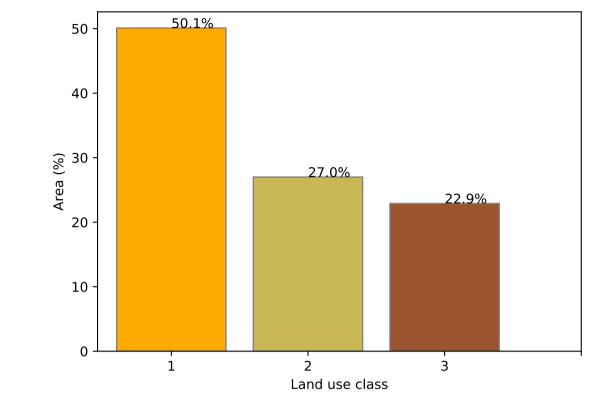




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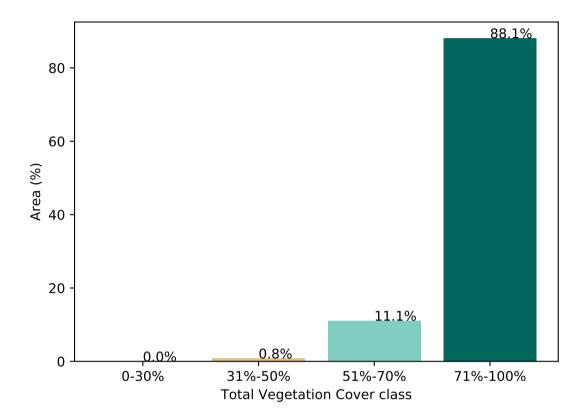
#### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



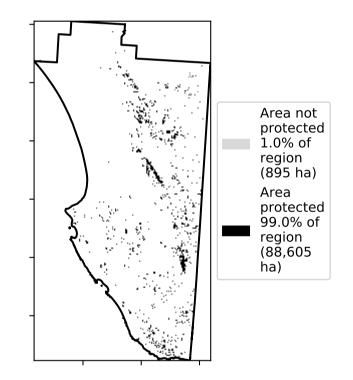


#### Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

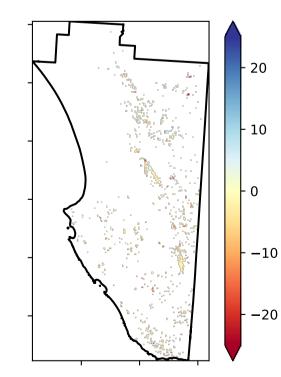


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



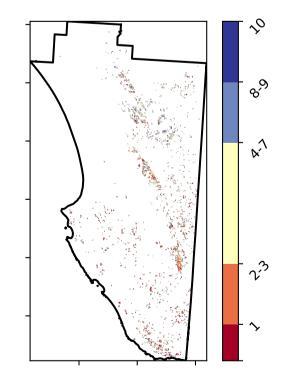
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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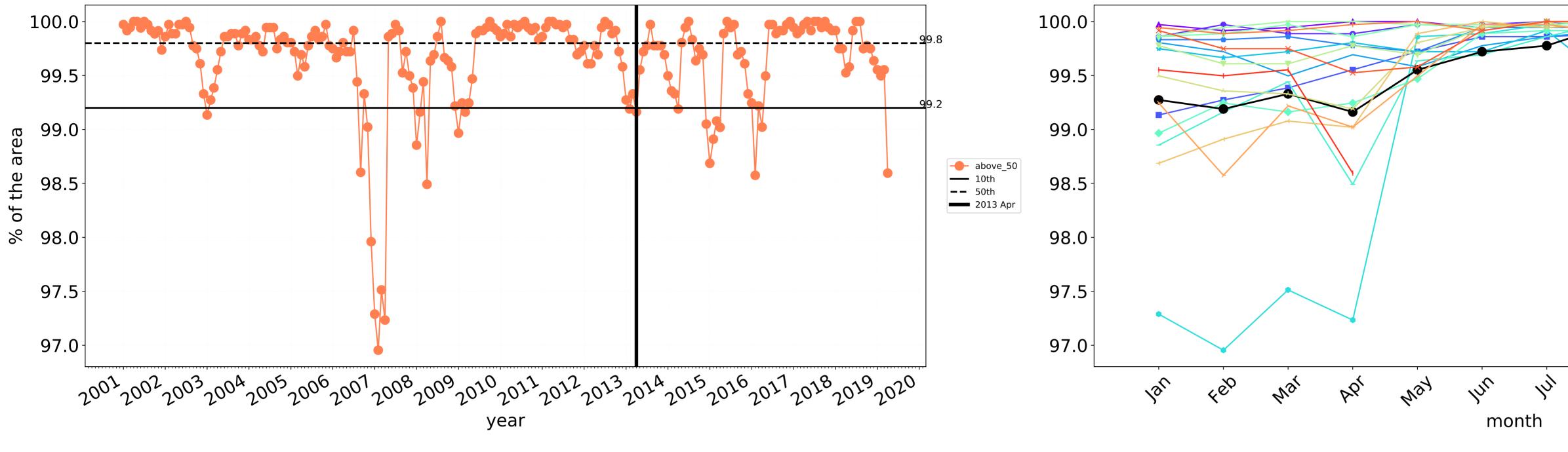


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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

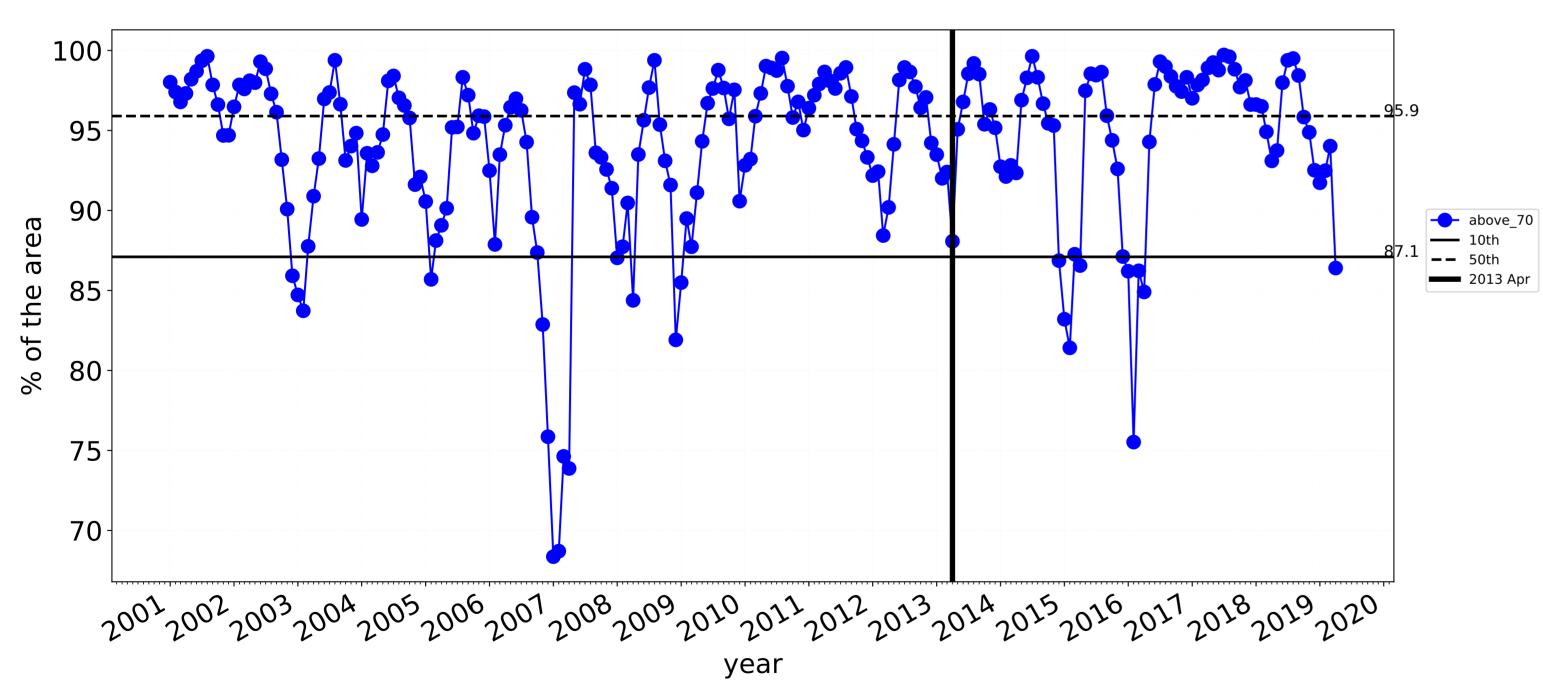


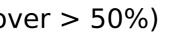




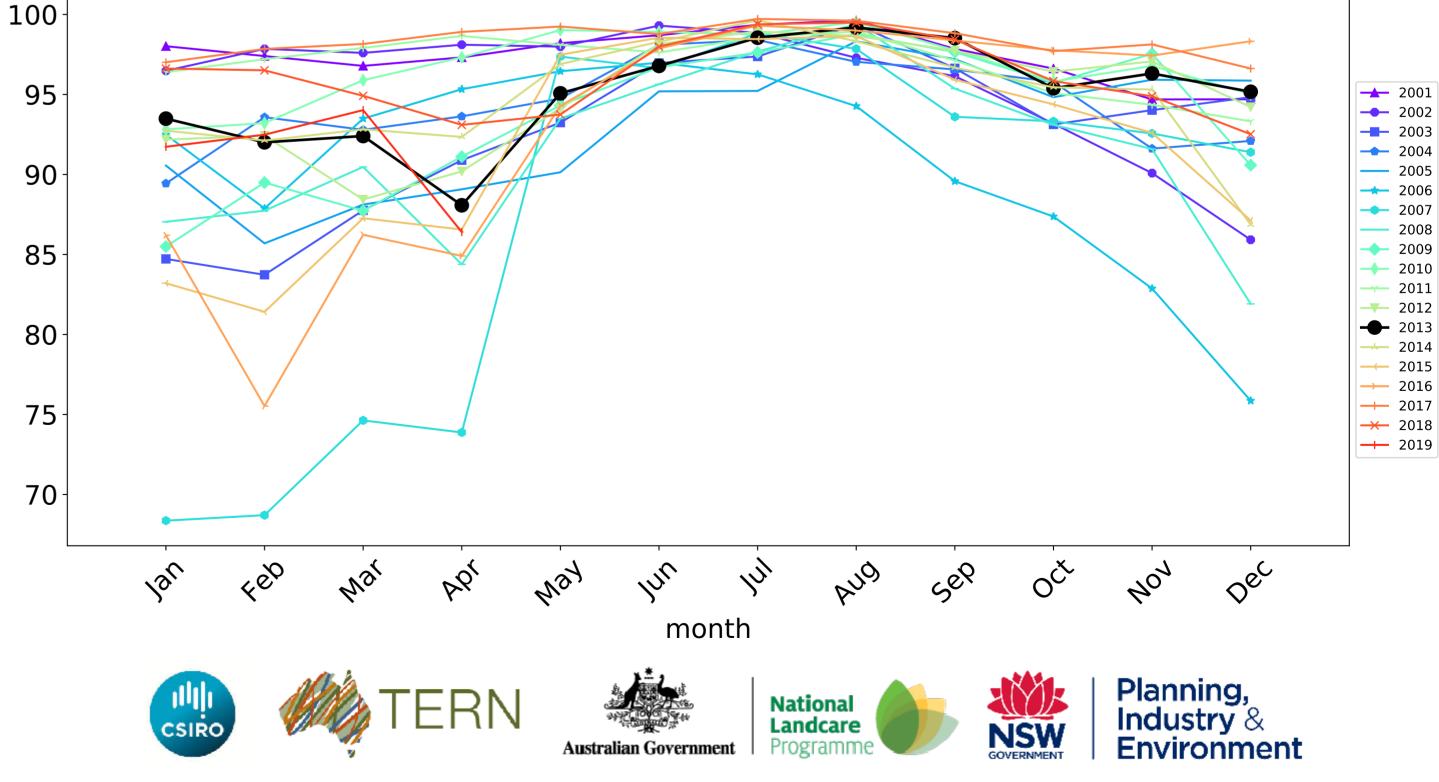
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



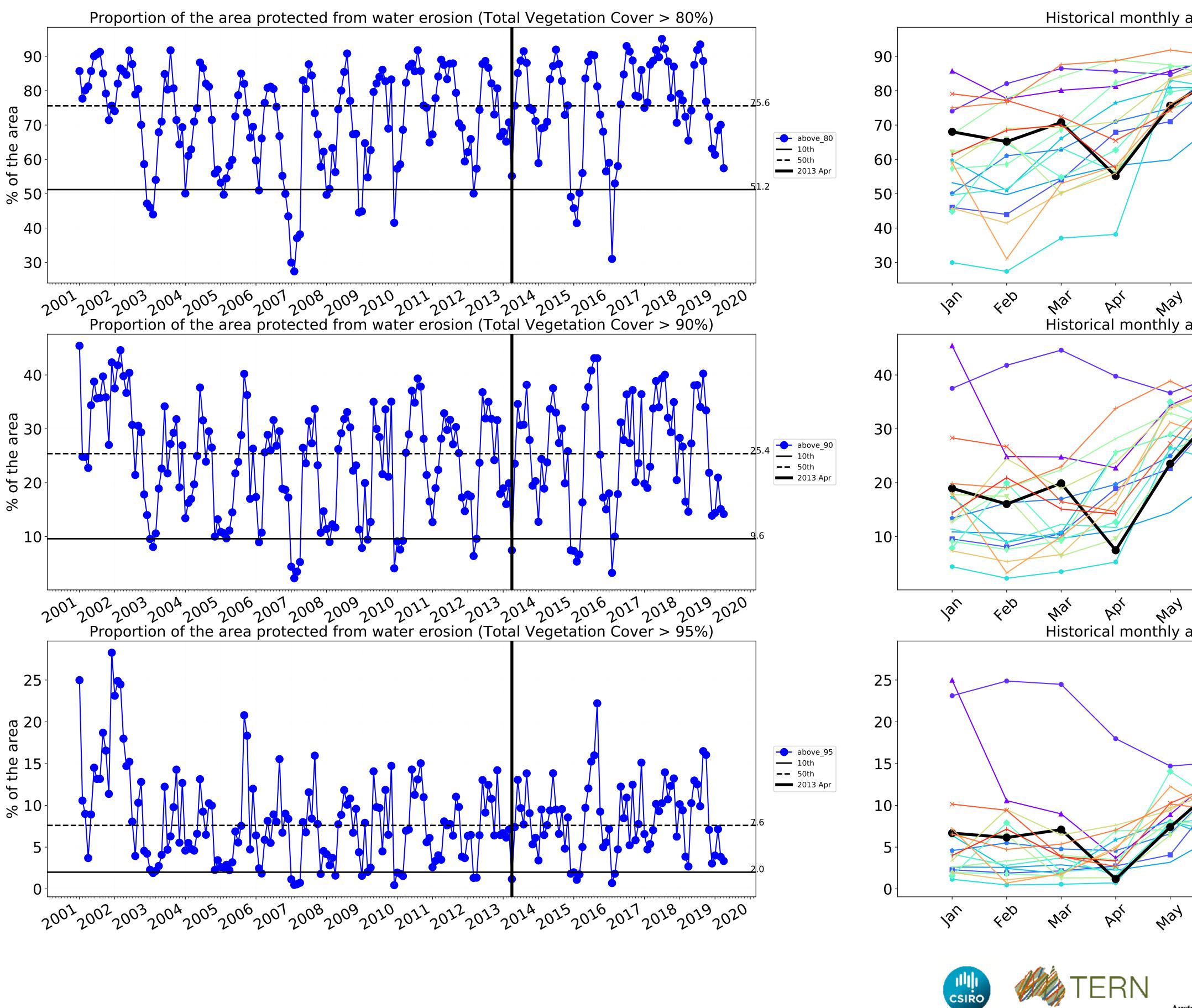


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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



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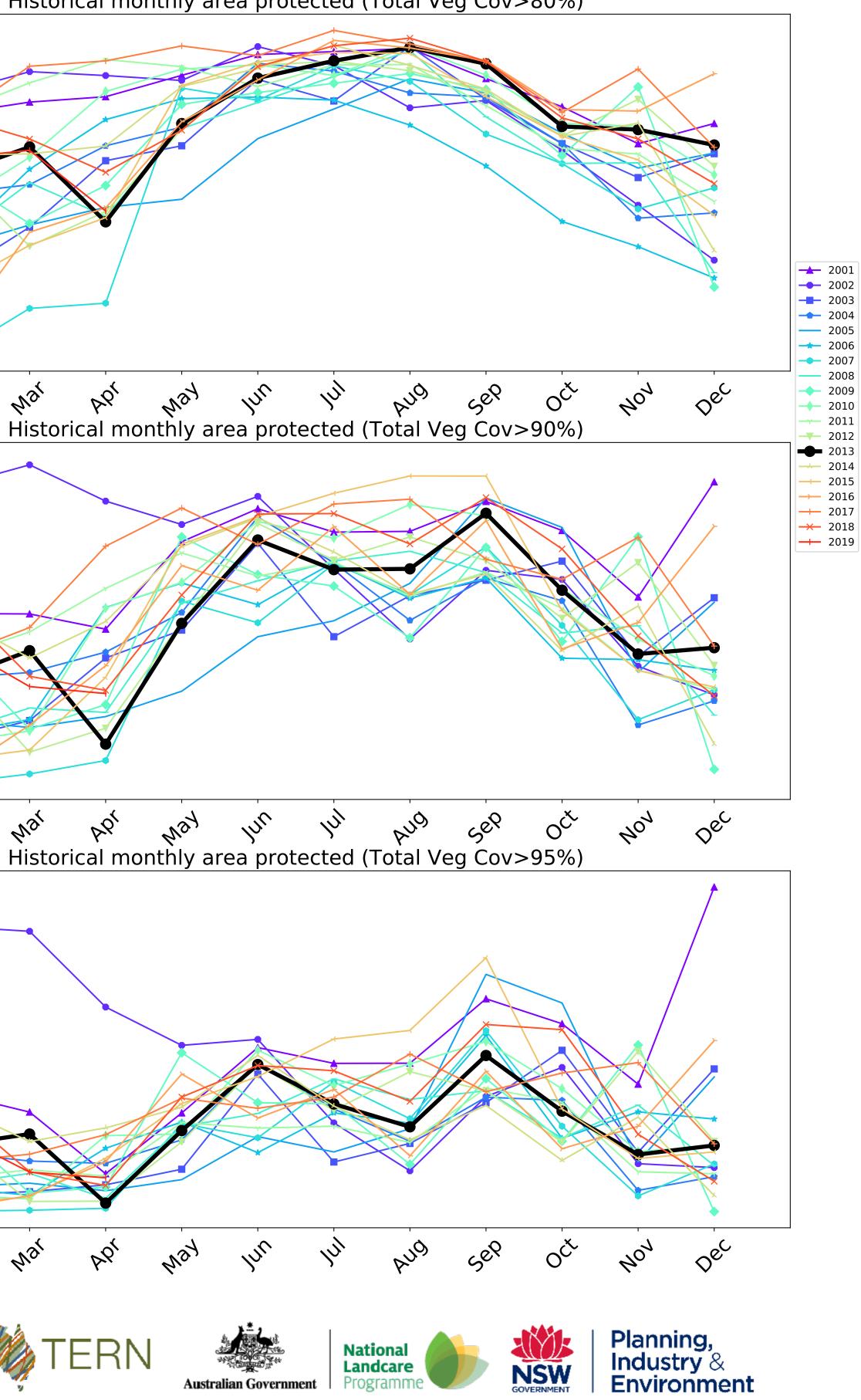
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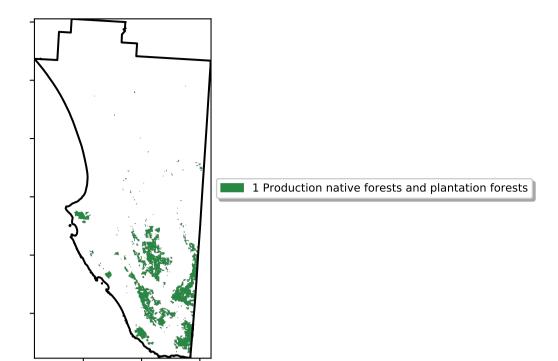
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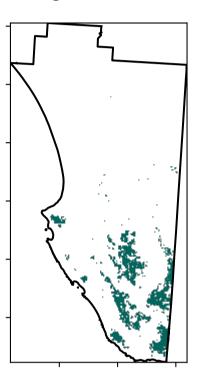
### **Production native forests and plantation forests**

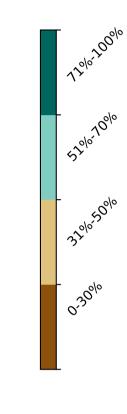
Land use and forest cover



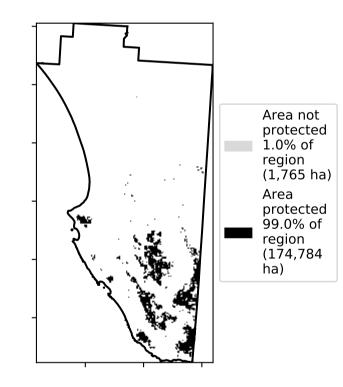


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

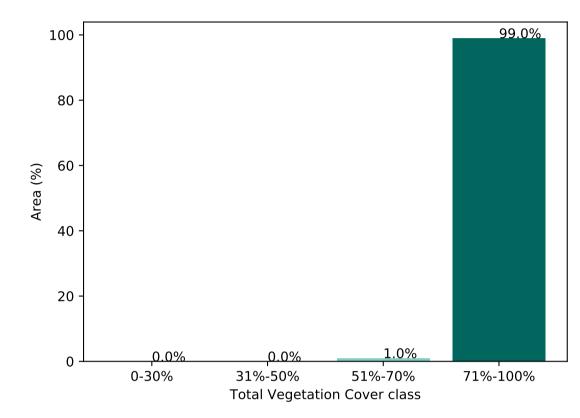




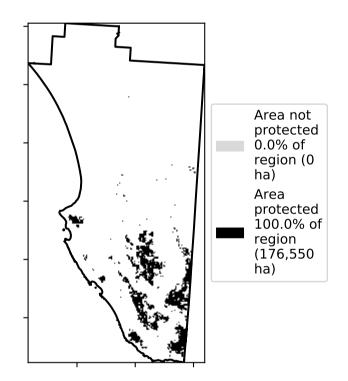
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



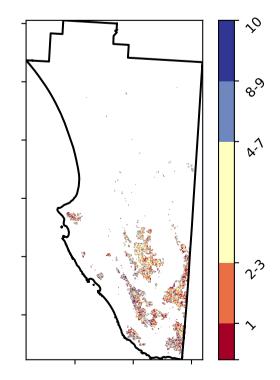
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

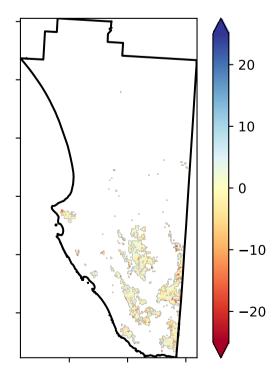


**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



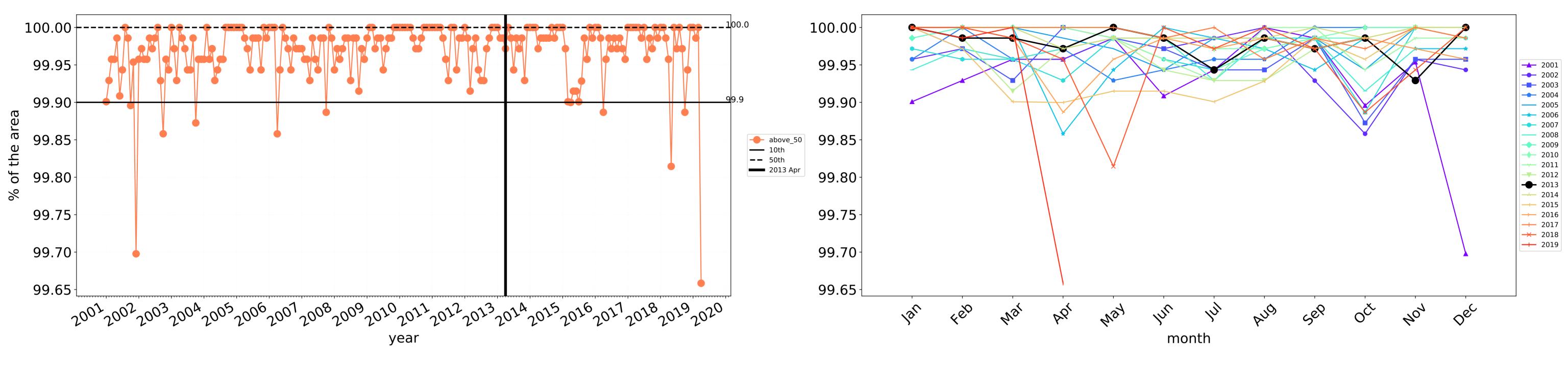
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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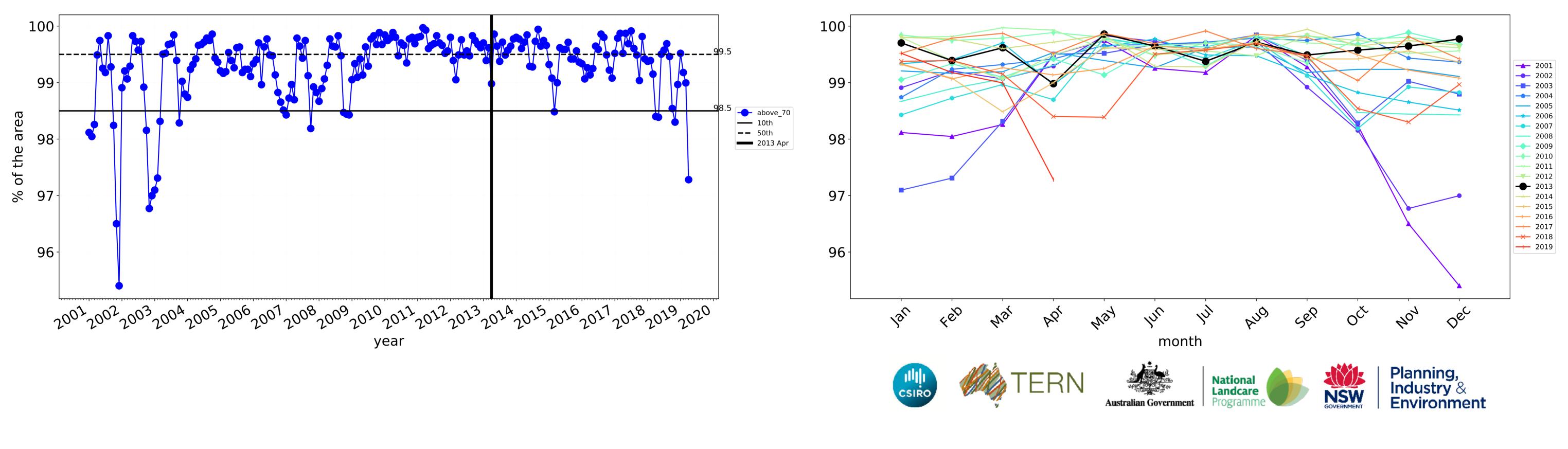
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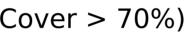


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

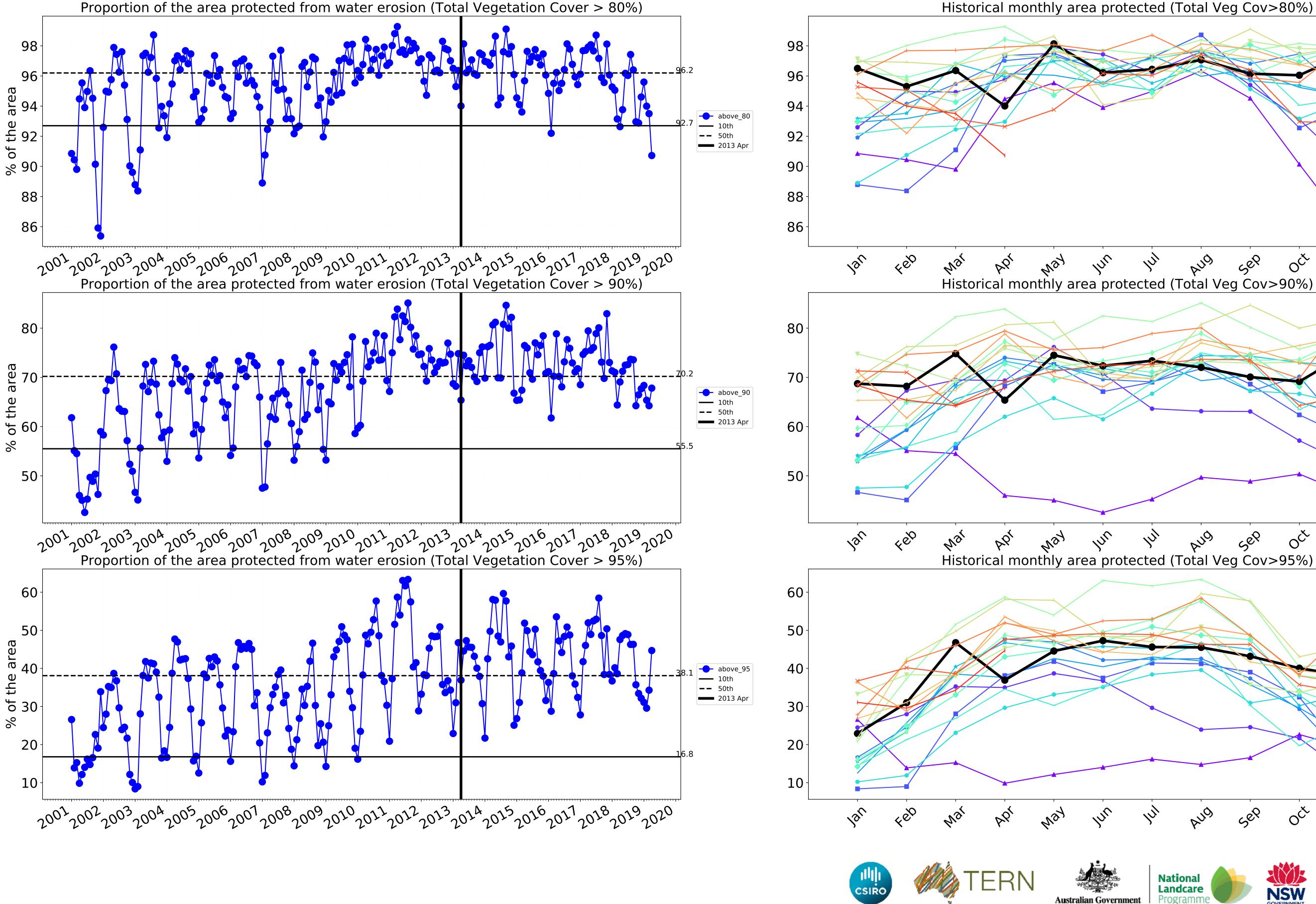
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

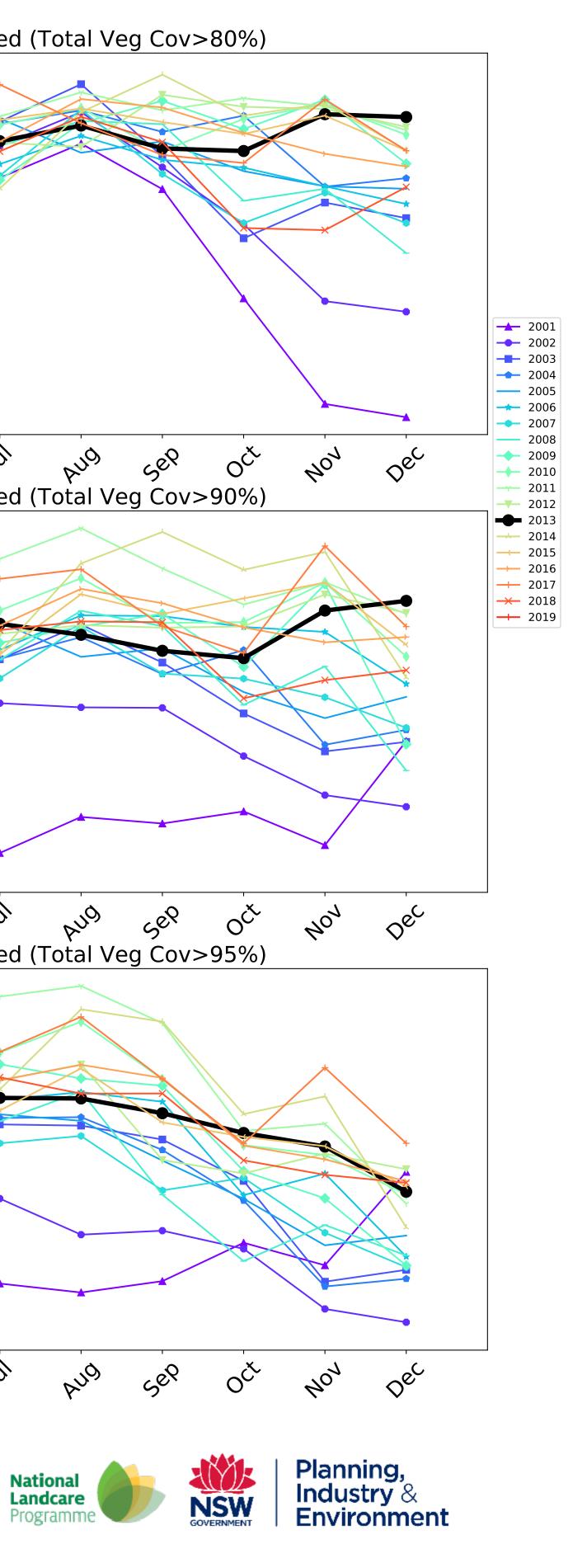


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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





# South East (2,615,325 ha and no data 71,780 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	2,615,325	99.9% 2,613,785	99.3% 2,596,101	89.2% 2,331,858	62.2% 1,626,335	14.9% 390,414	4.6% 121,453
Conservation and natural environments	326,675	99.9% 326,425	99.6% 325,375	96.0% 313,475	81.6% 266,625	19.6% 64,025	3.2% 10,425
Conservation and natural environments non forest	159,850	99.8% 159,600	99.4% 158,850	95.6% 152,825	78.7% 125,850	14.9% 23,875	2.7% 4,300
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	123,425	100.0% 123,425	99.9% 123,275	95.9% 118,425	84.2% 103,925	24.7% 30,475	4.1% 5,025
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	43,400	100.0% 43,400	99.7% 43,250	97.3% 42,225	84.9% 36,850	22.3% 9,675	2.5% 1,100
Agriculture	2,002,750	100.0% 2,001,775	99.2% 1,985,825	87.0% 1,742,475	55.8% 1,116,600	9.4% 188,600	1.8% 36,225
Grazing	1,645,775	99.9% 1,644,925	99.1% 1,631,275	88.3% 1,452,800	58.9% 968,975	9.9% 163,475	1.8% 28,950
Grazing non forest	1,638,200	99.9% 1,637,350	99.1% 1,623,775	88.2% 1,445,675	58.8% 962,775	9.9% 161,450	1.7% 28,600
Cropping	265,925	100.0% 265,875	99.4% 264,250	78.7% 209,375	36.6% 97,275	6.9% 18,275	2.3% 6,200
Irrigation	89,500	99.9% 89,425	99.2% 88,750	88.1% 78,825	55.1% 49,350	7.5% 6,675	1.2% 1,050
Production native forests and plantation forests	176,550	100.0% 176,550	100.0% 176,500	99.0% 174,750	94.0% 165,975	65.4% 115,425	36.9% 65,175

