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

## Date: March 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:

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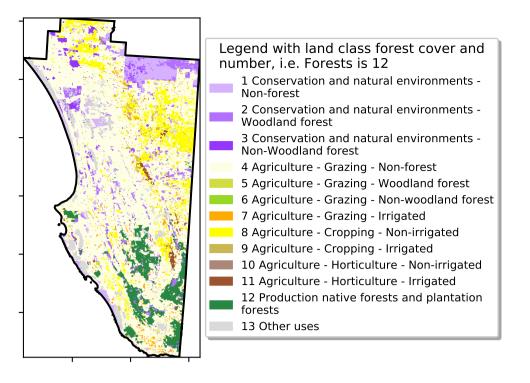


### **Vegetation Cover Mar 2013**

#### Land use and forest cover







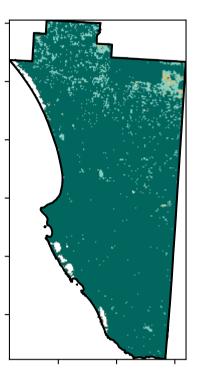
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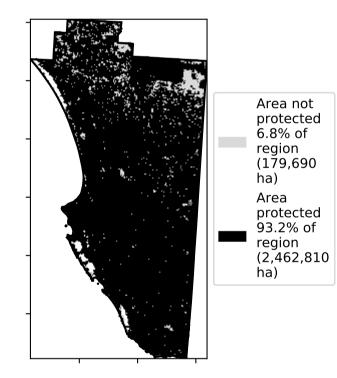
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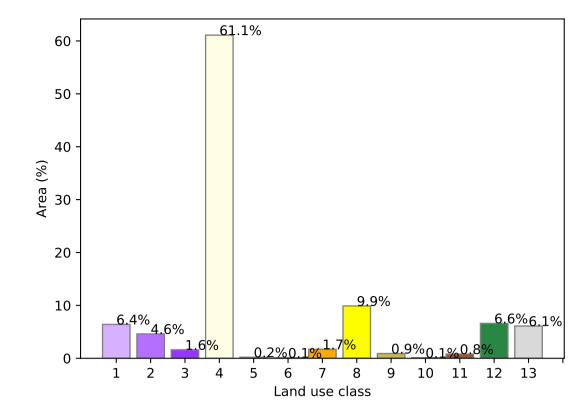
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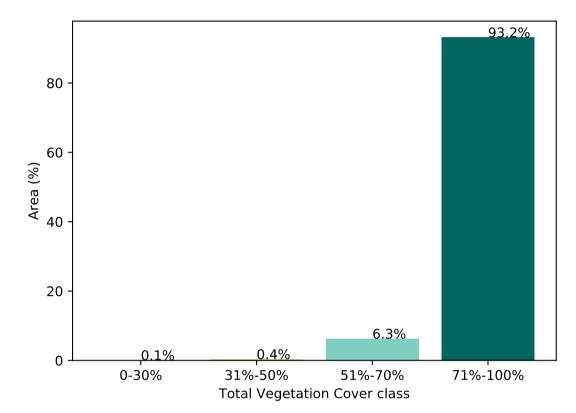


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

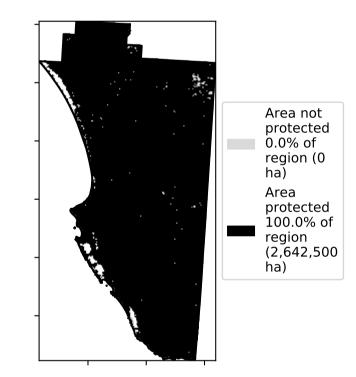




#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

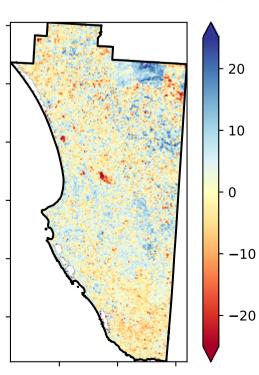


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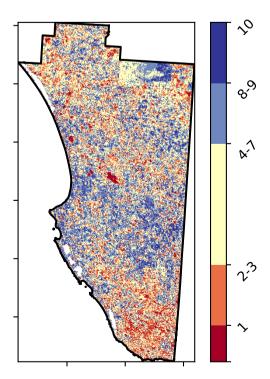


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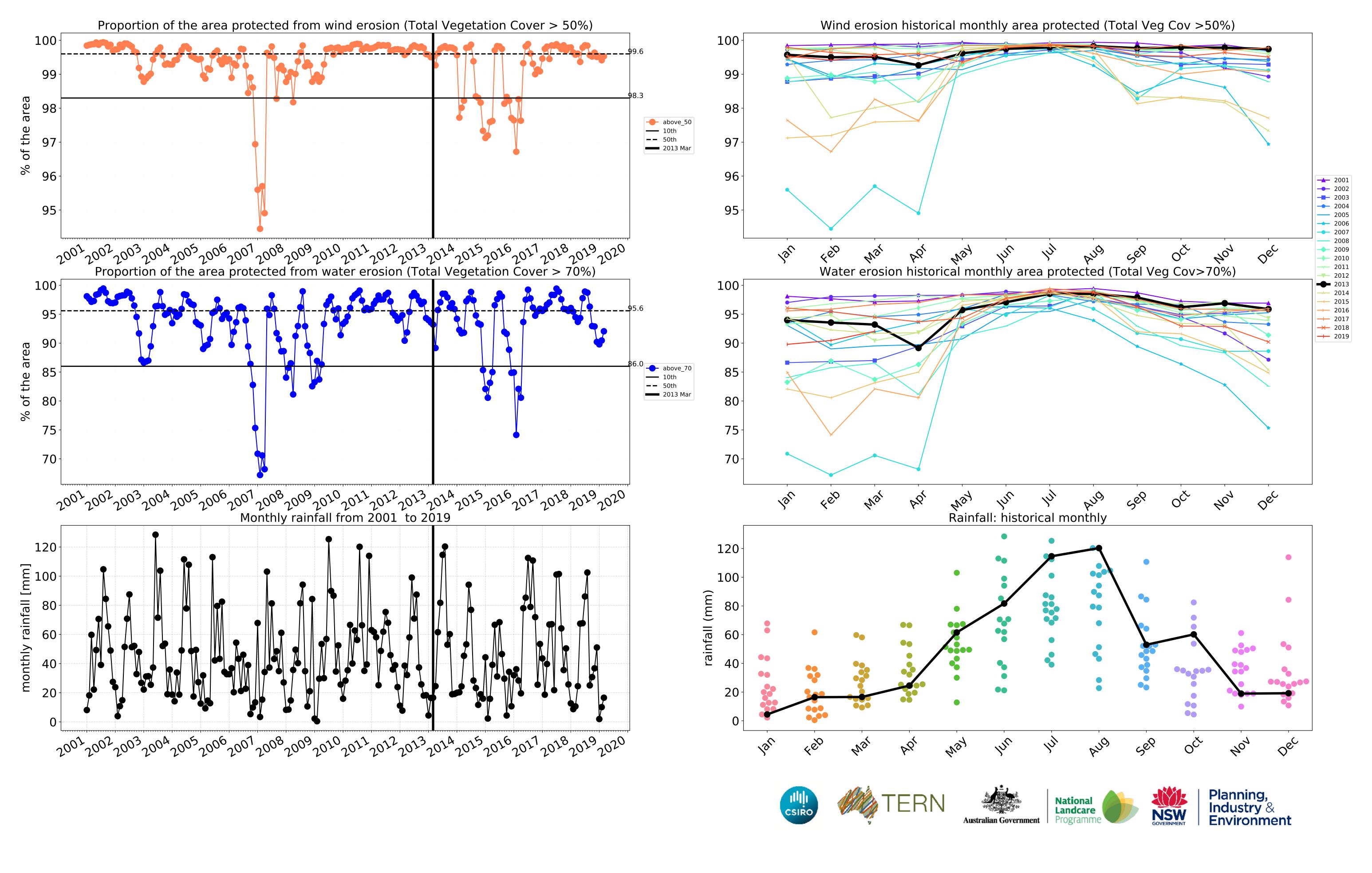
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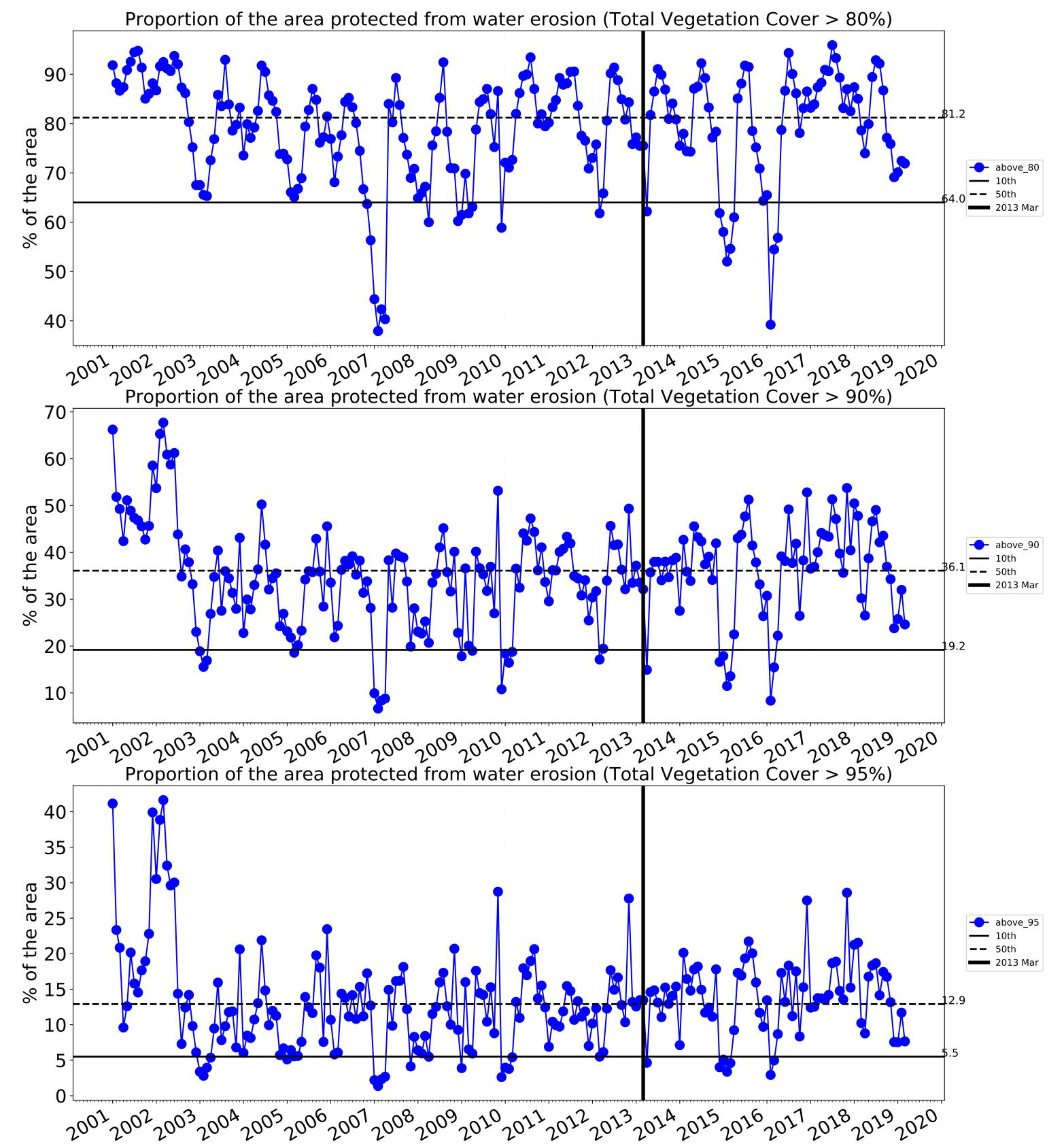


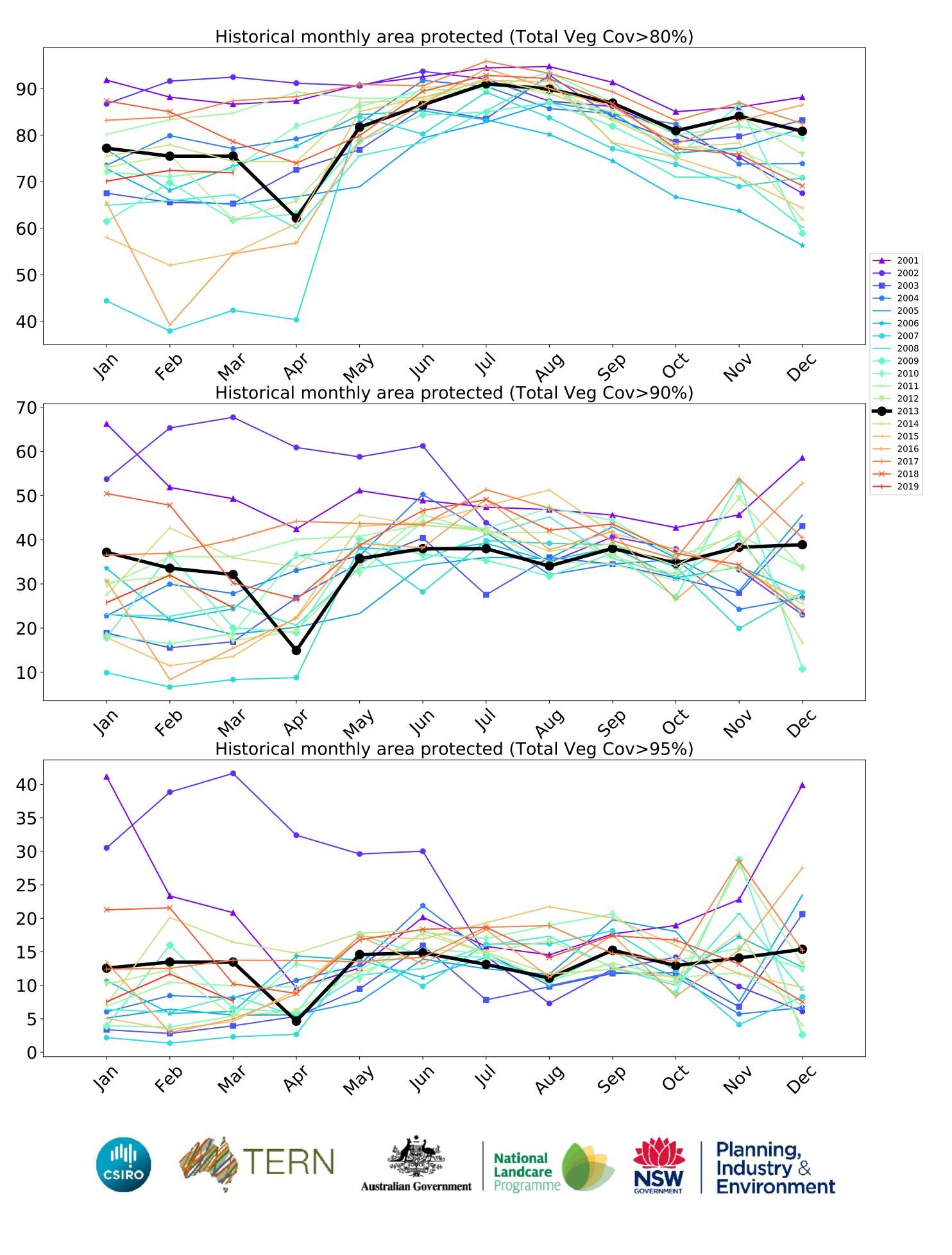
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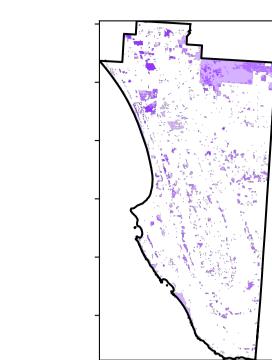




### **Conservation and natural environments**

### Land use and forest cover

#### Proportion of each land class in area



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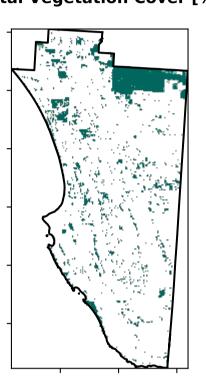
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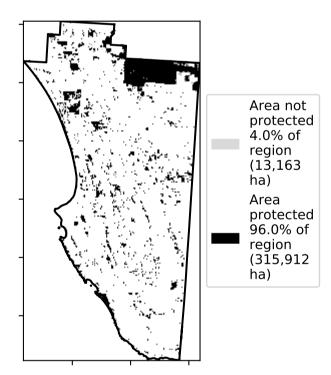
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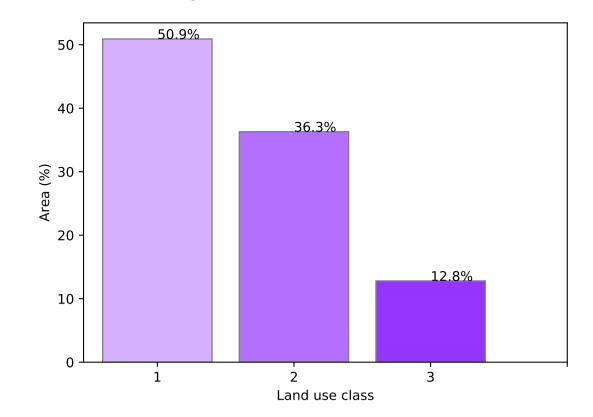
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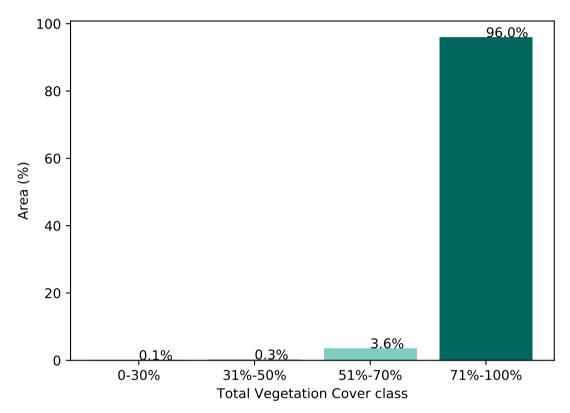








### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

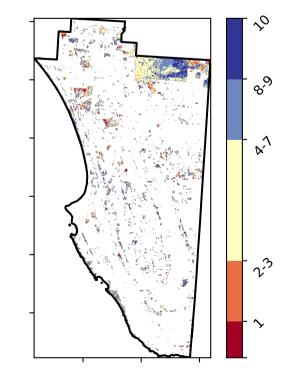


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



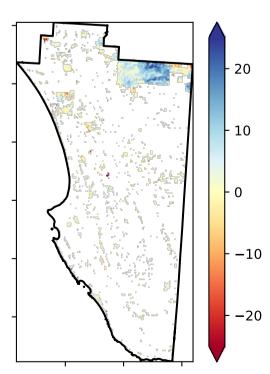
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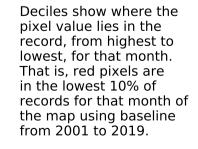
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

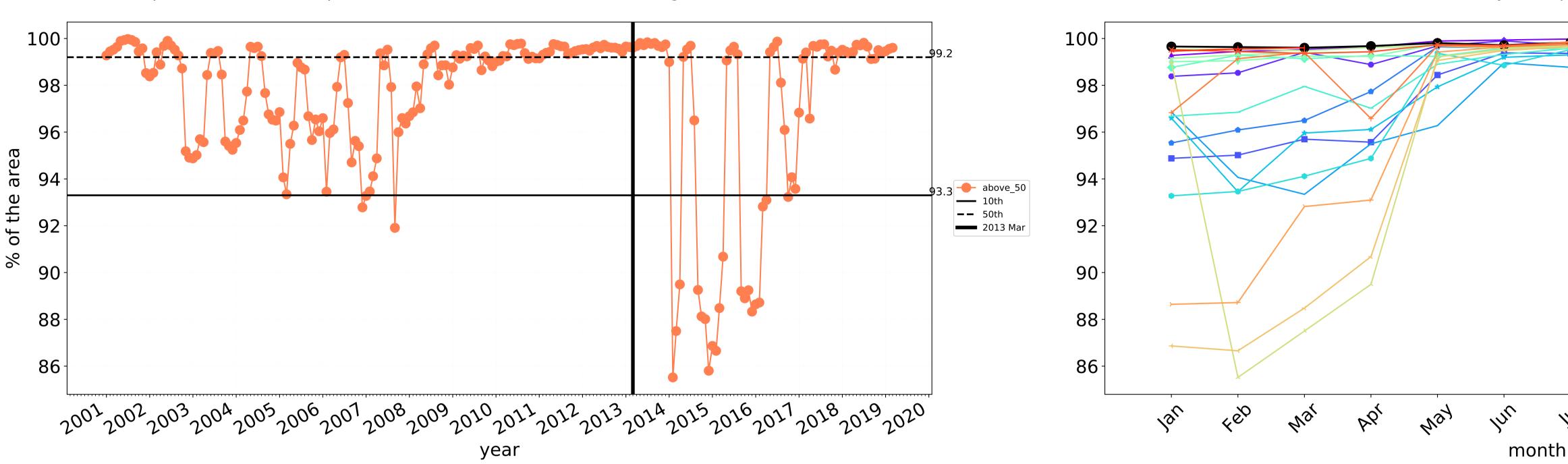
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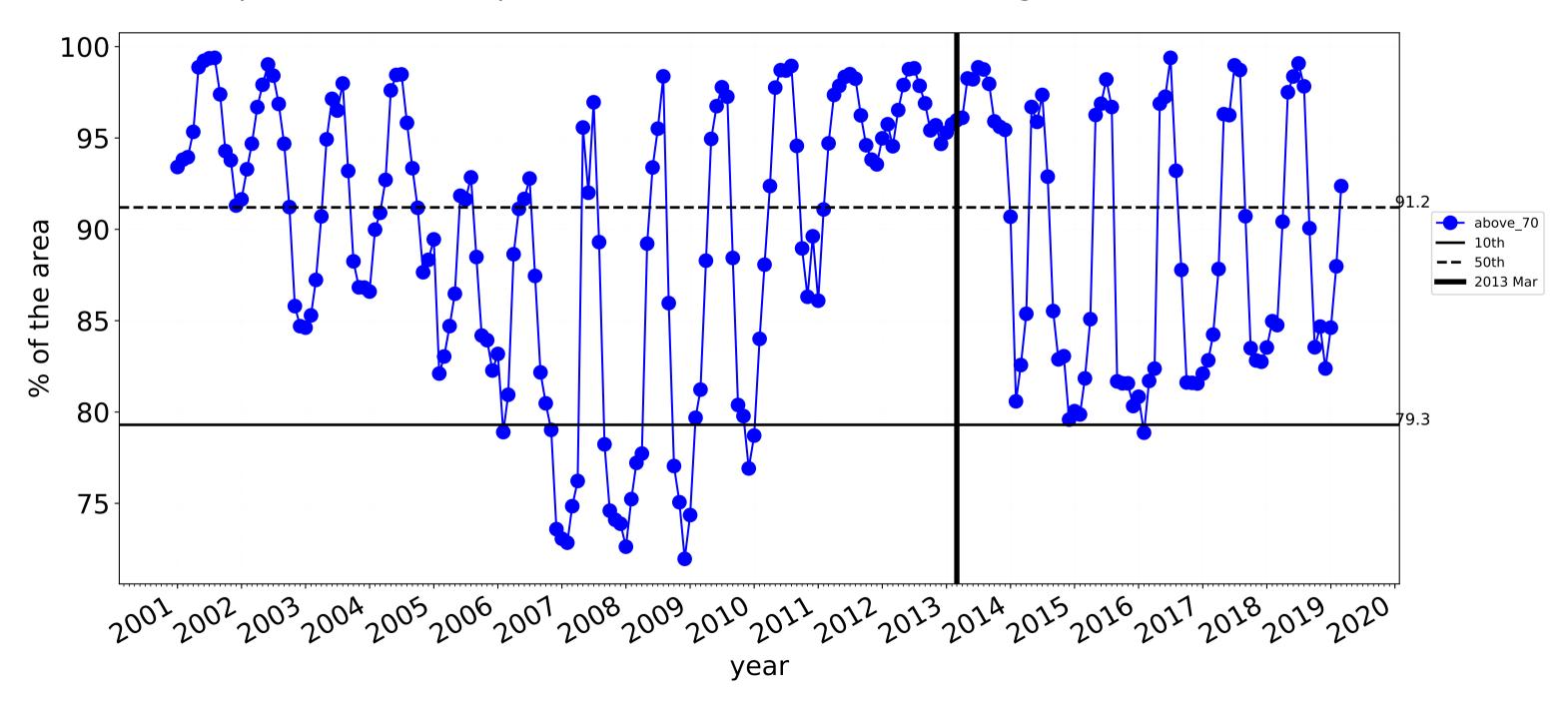


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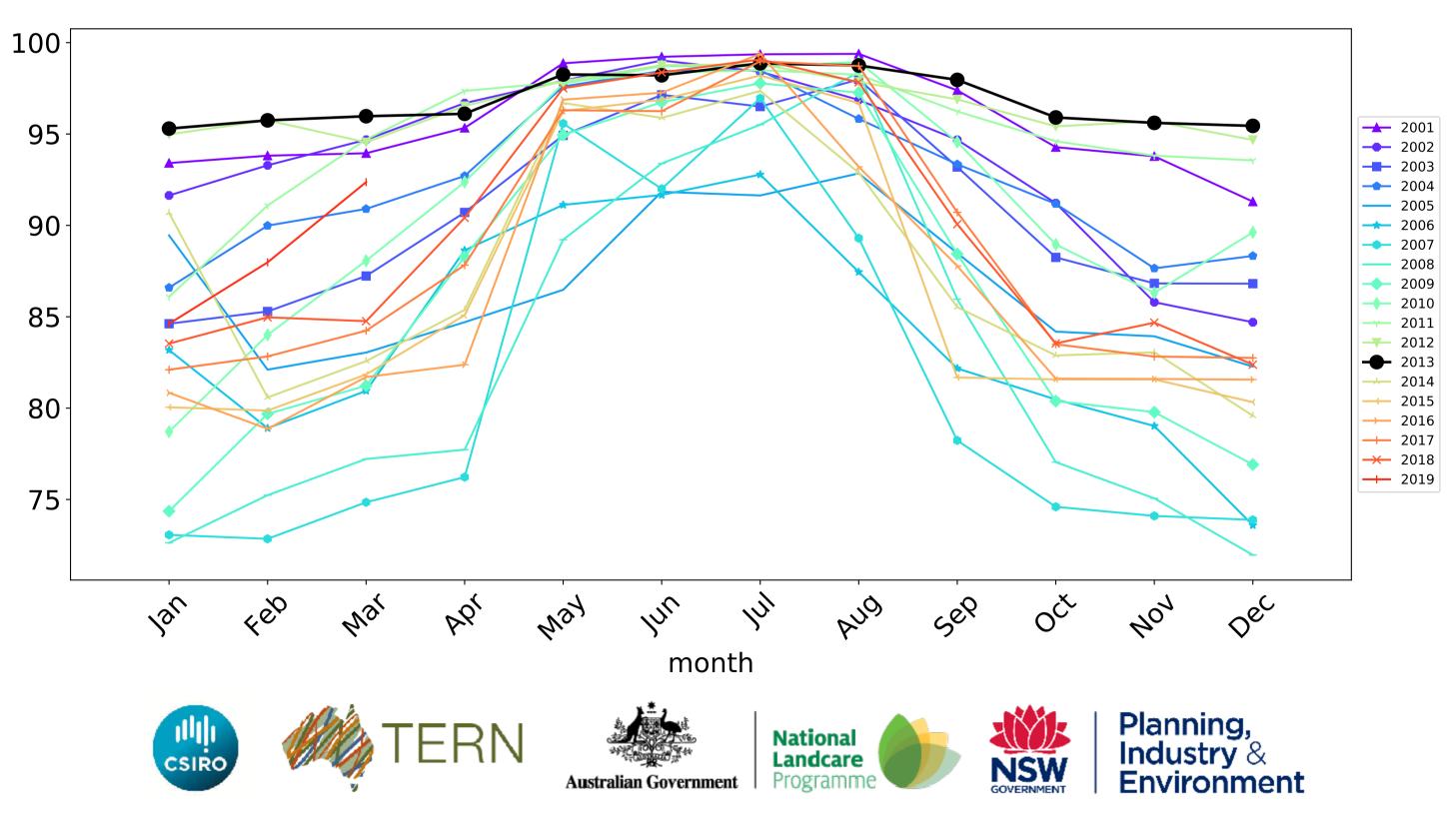


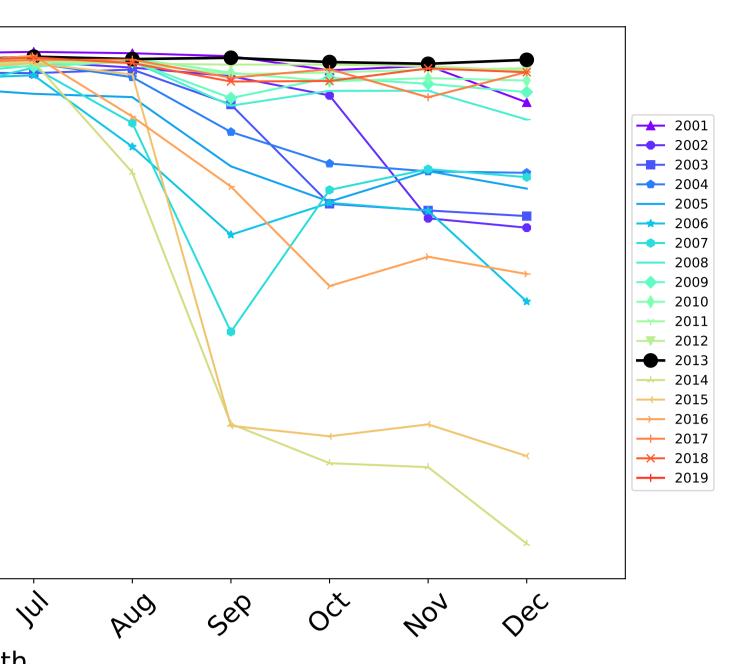
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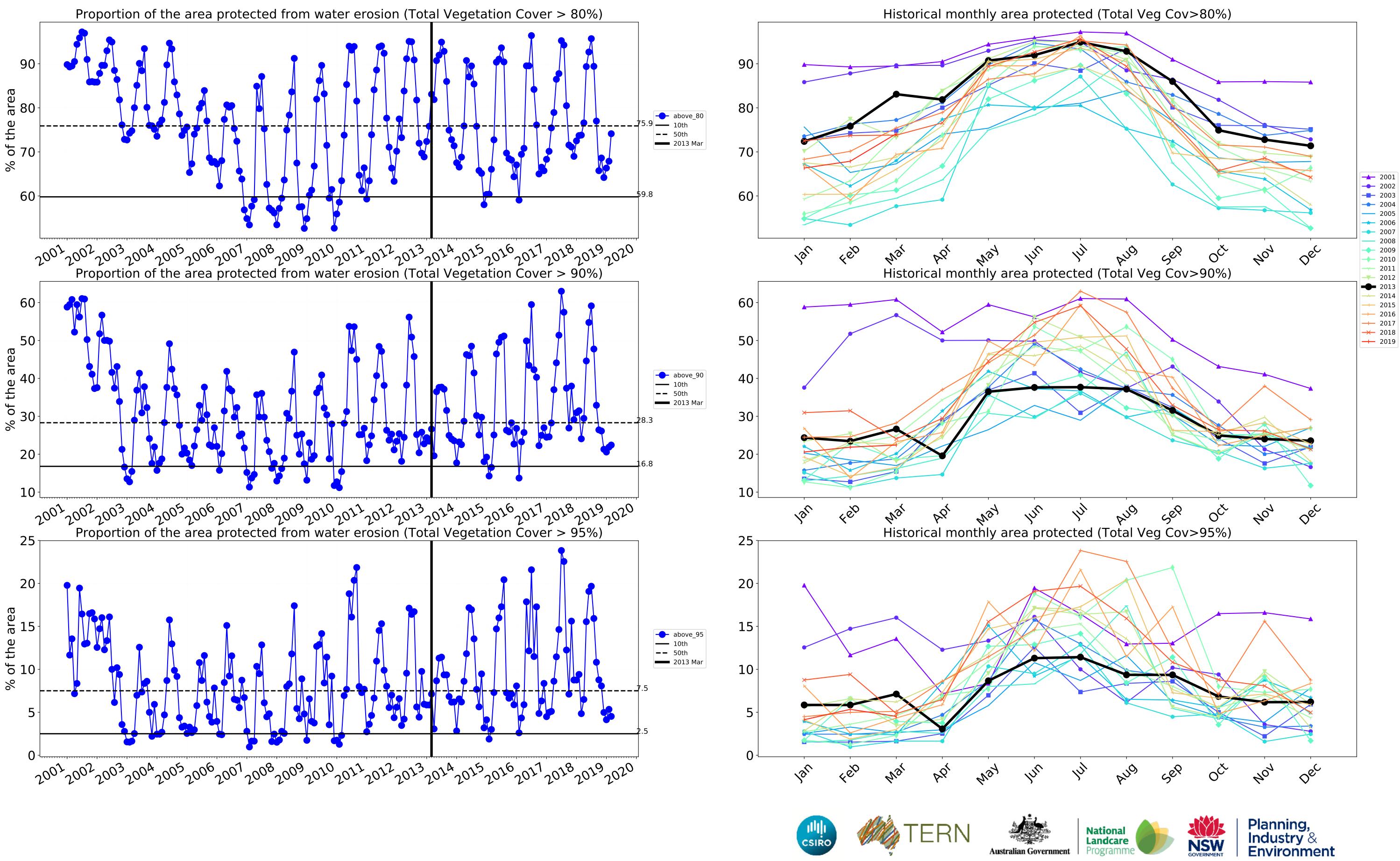
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

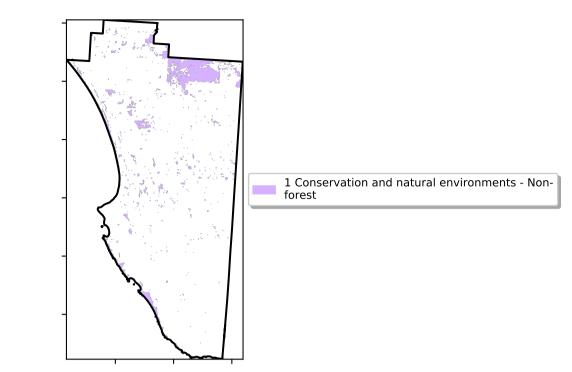




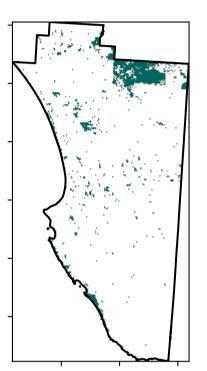


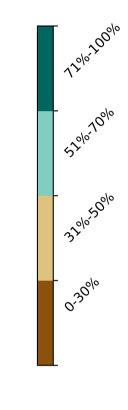
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Land use and forest cover

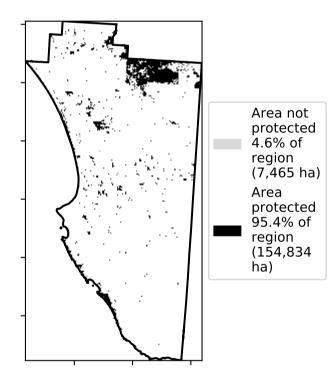


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

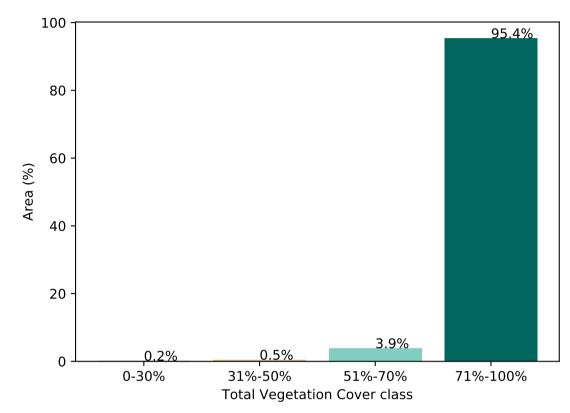




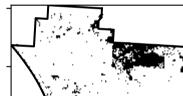
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



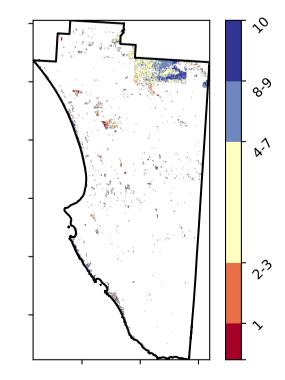
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Area not protected 1.0% of region (1,623 ha) Area protected 99.0% of region (160,677 ha)

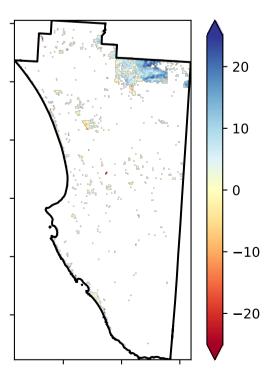
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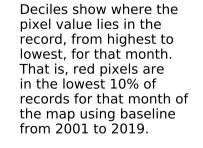
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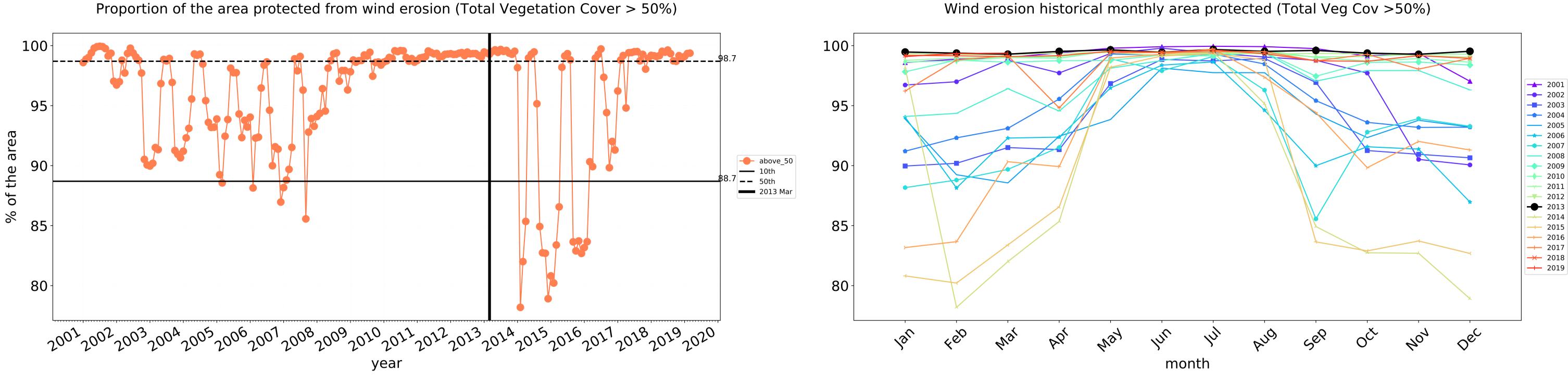
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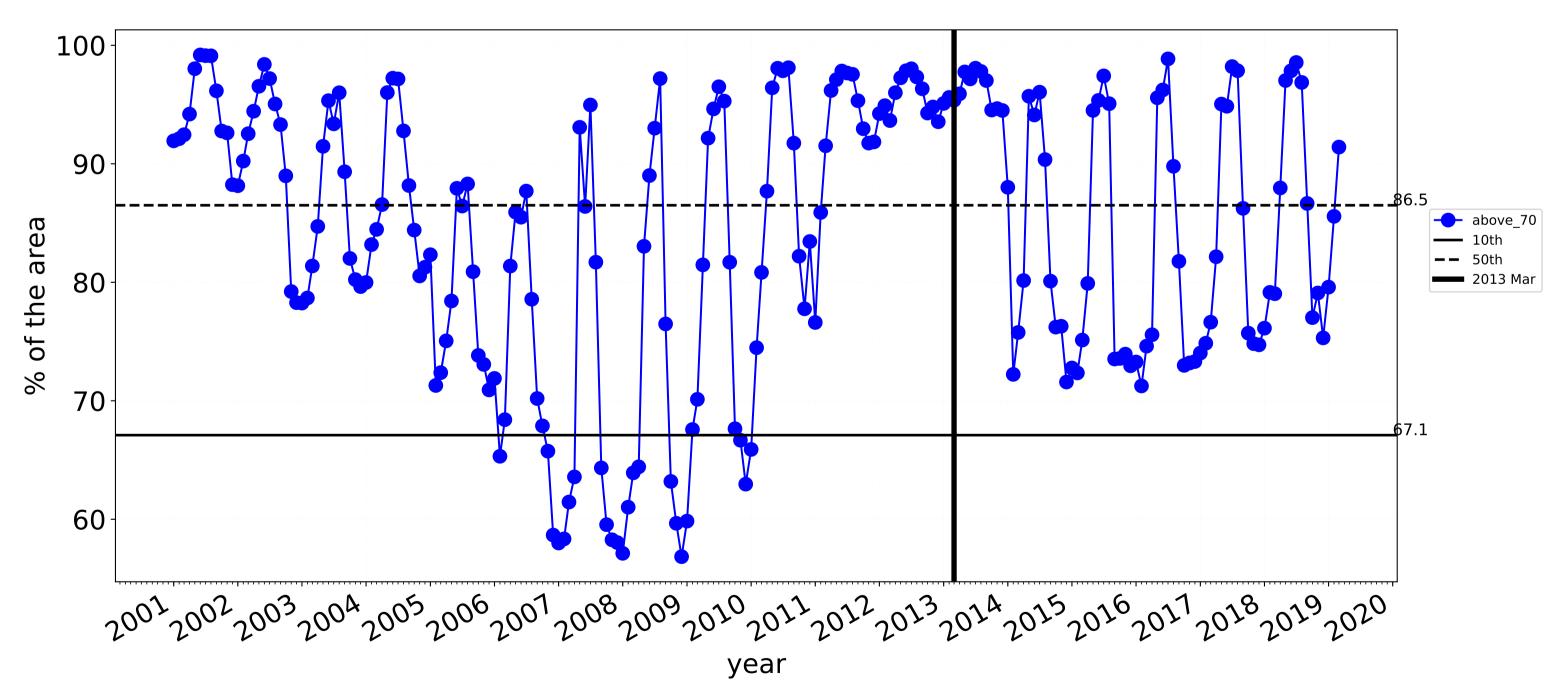


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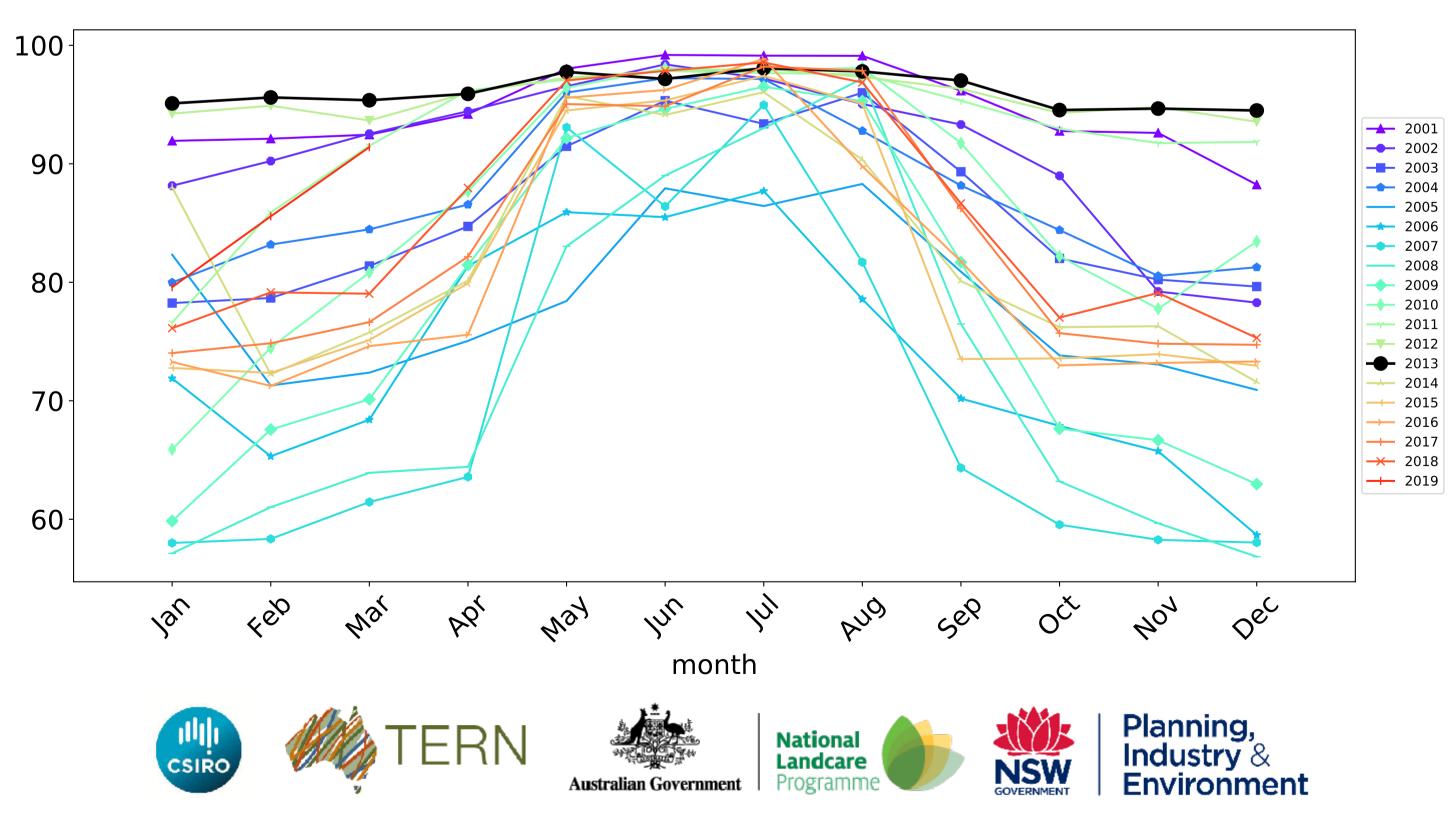


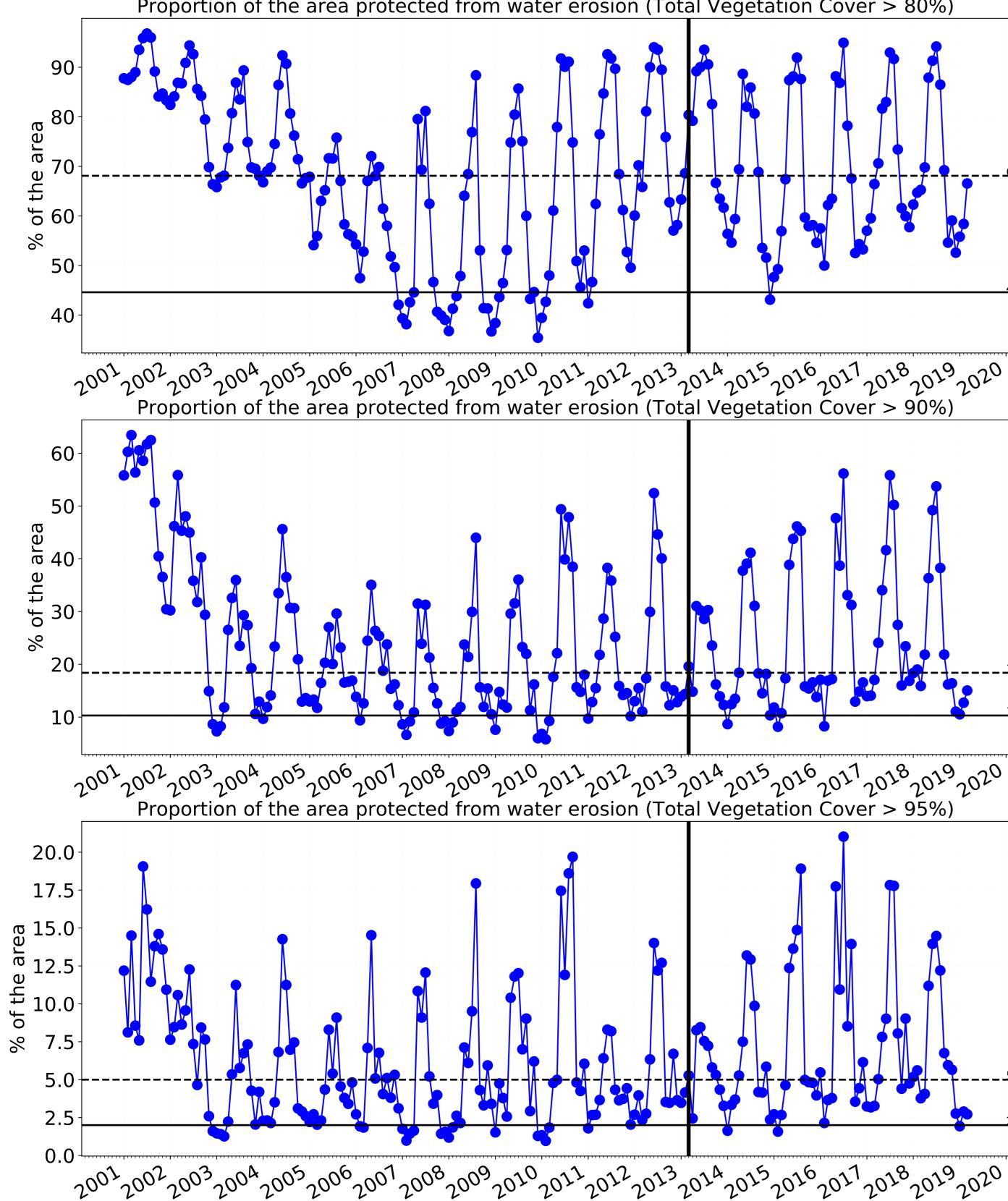
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

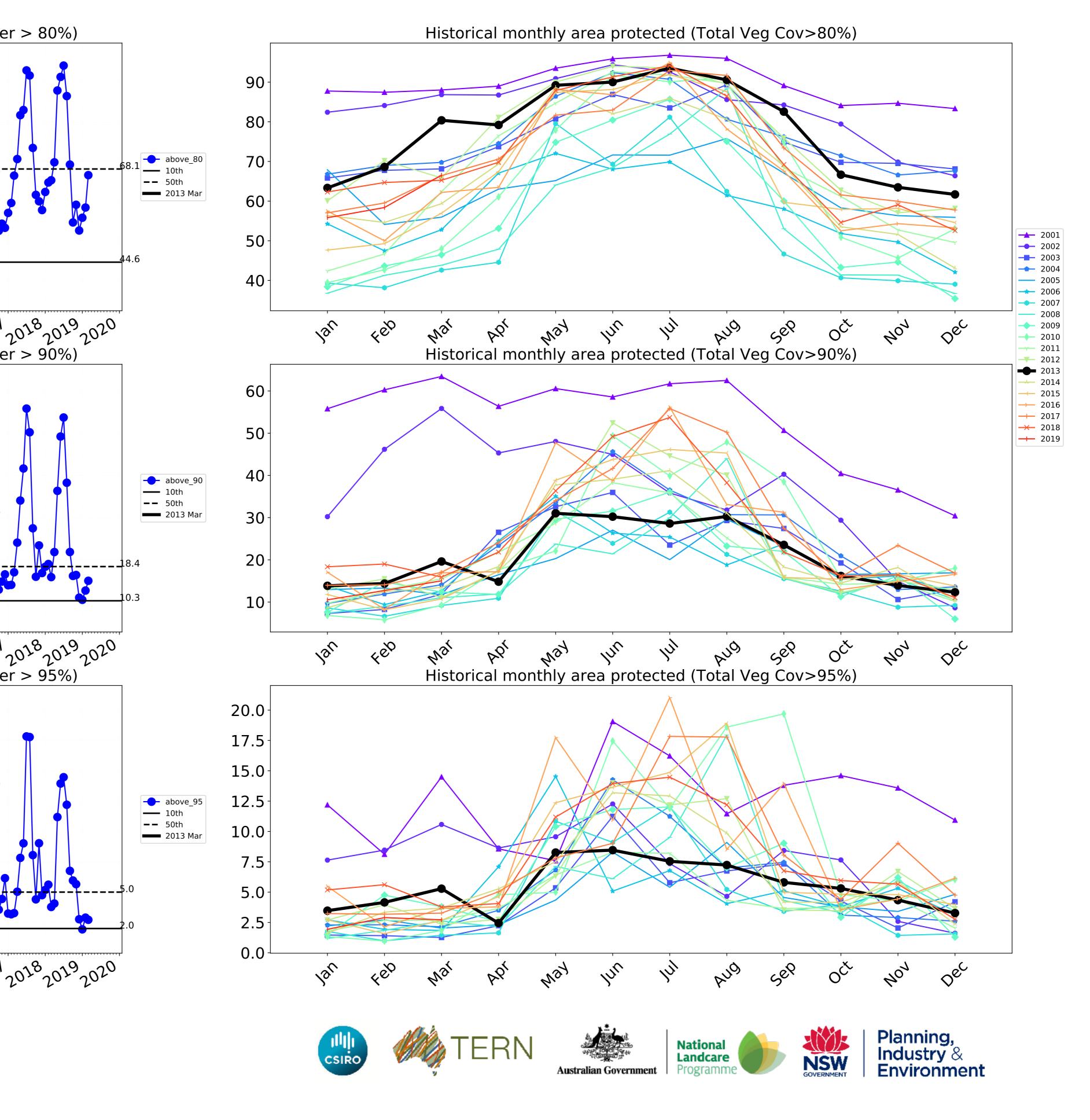


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



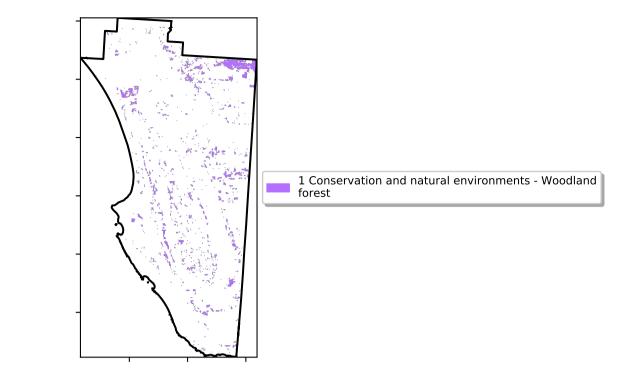


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 80%)



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

Land use and forest cover



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





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Area

region (4,446 ha)

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(119,054

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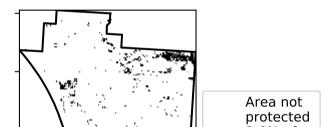
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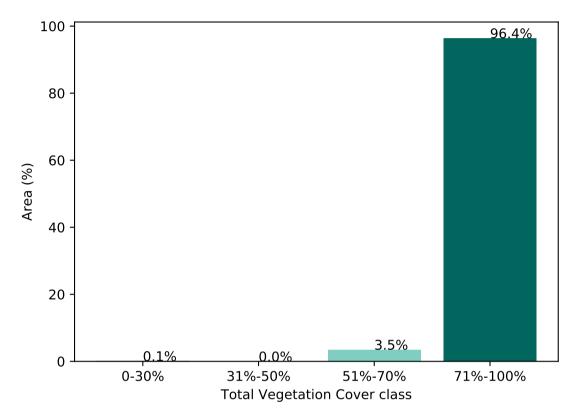
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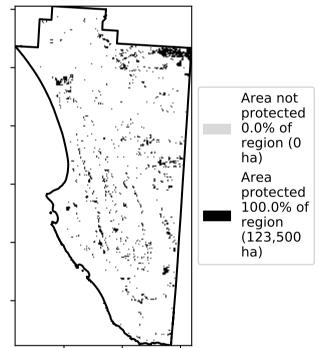
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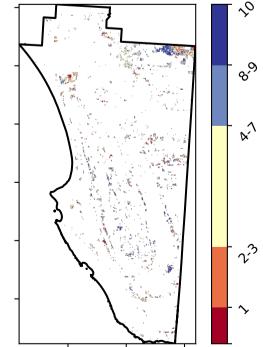


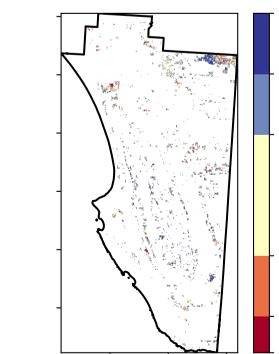
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 







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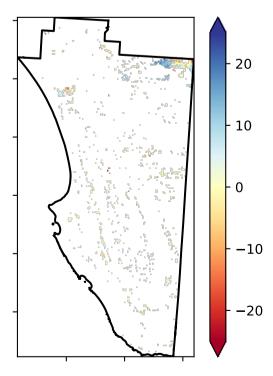
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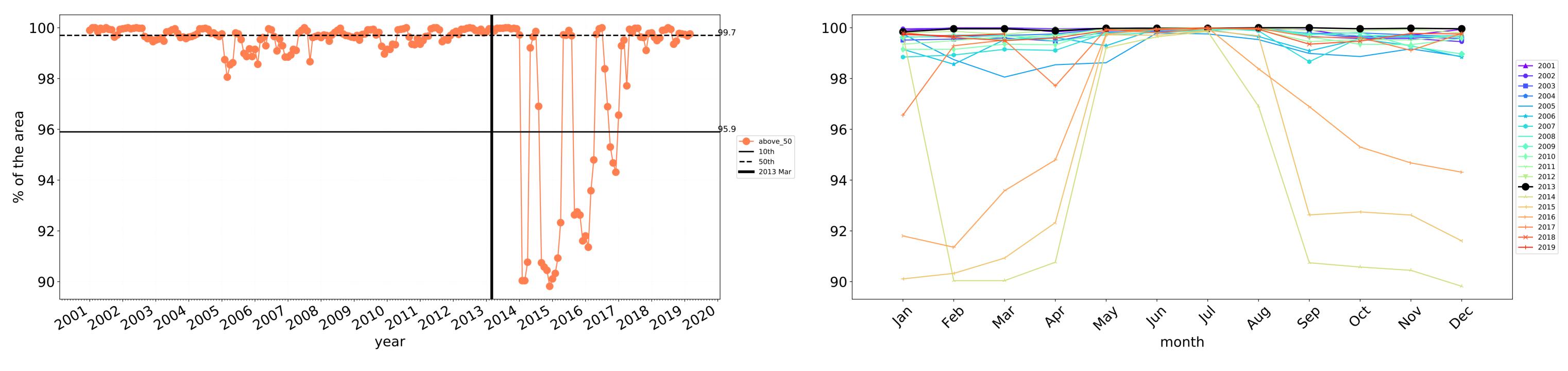
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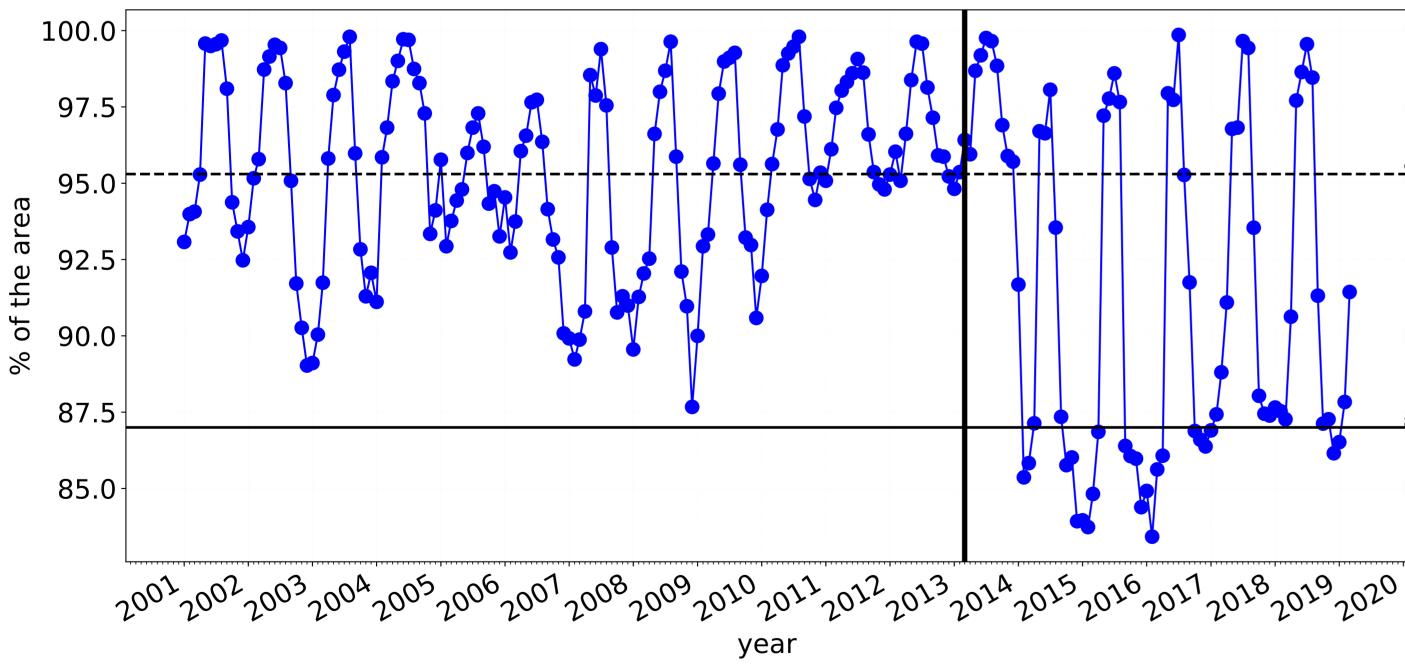






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

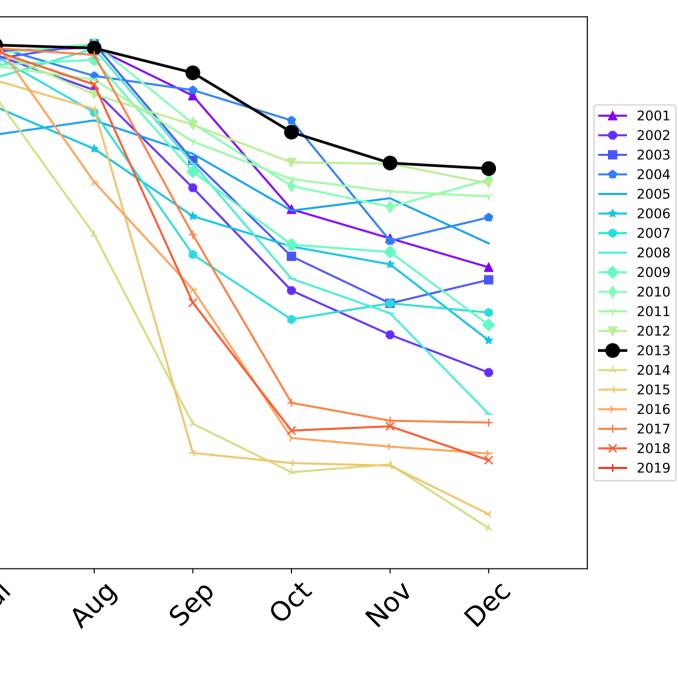
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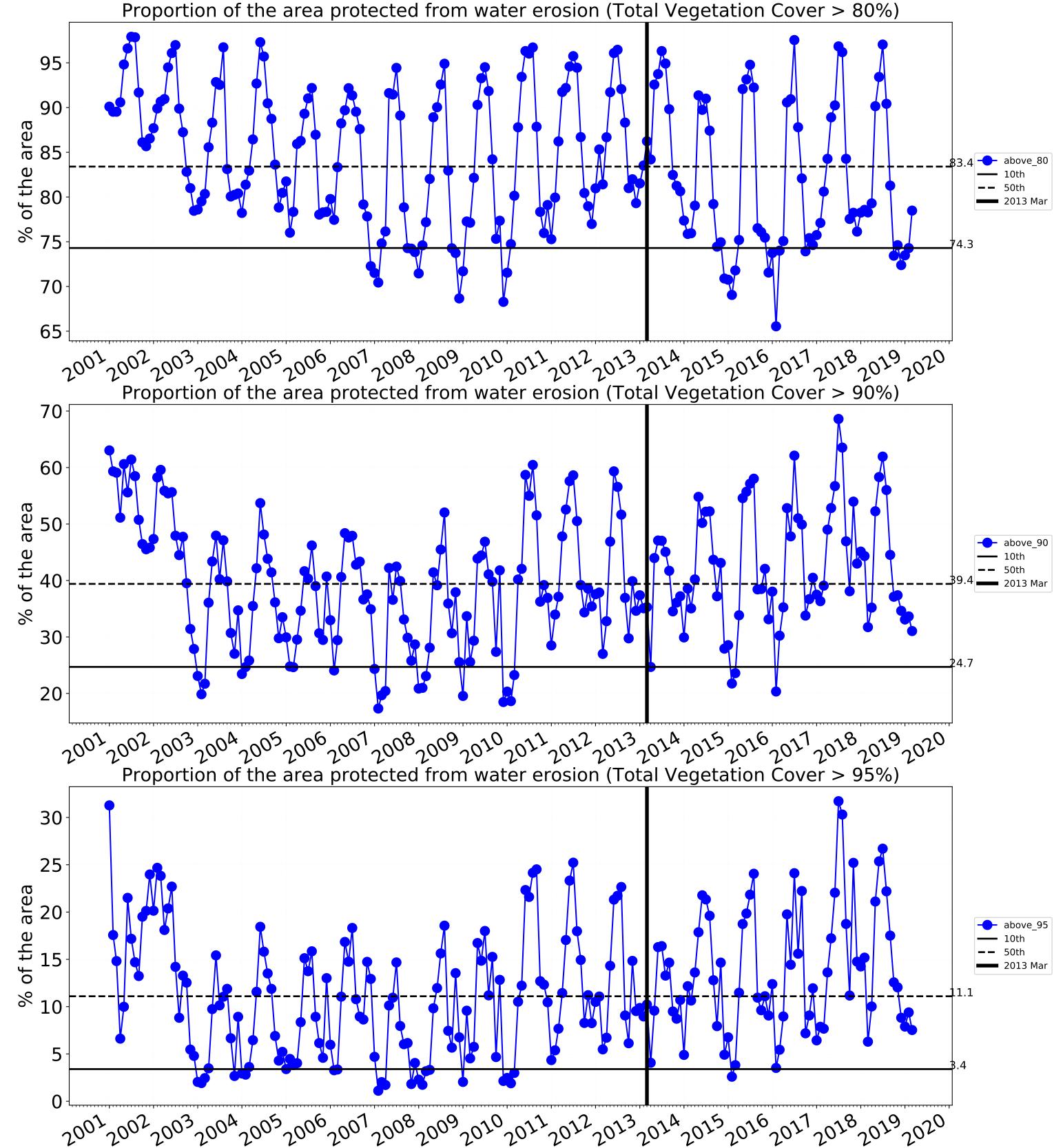
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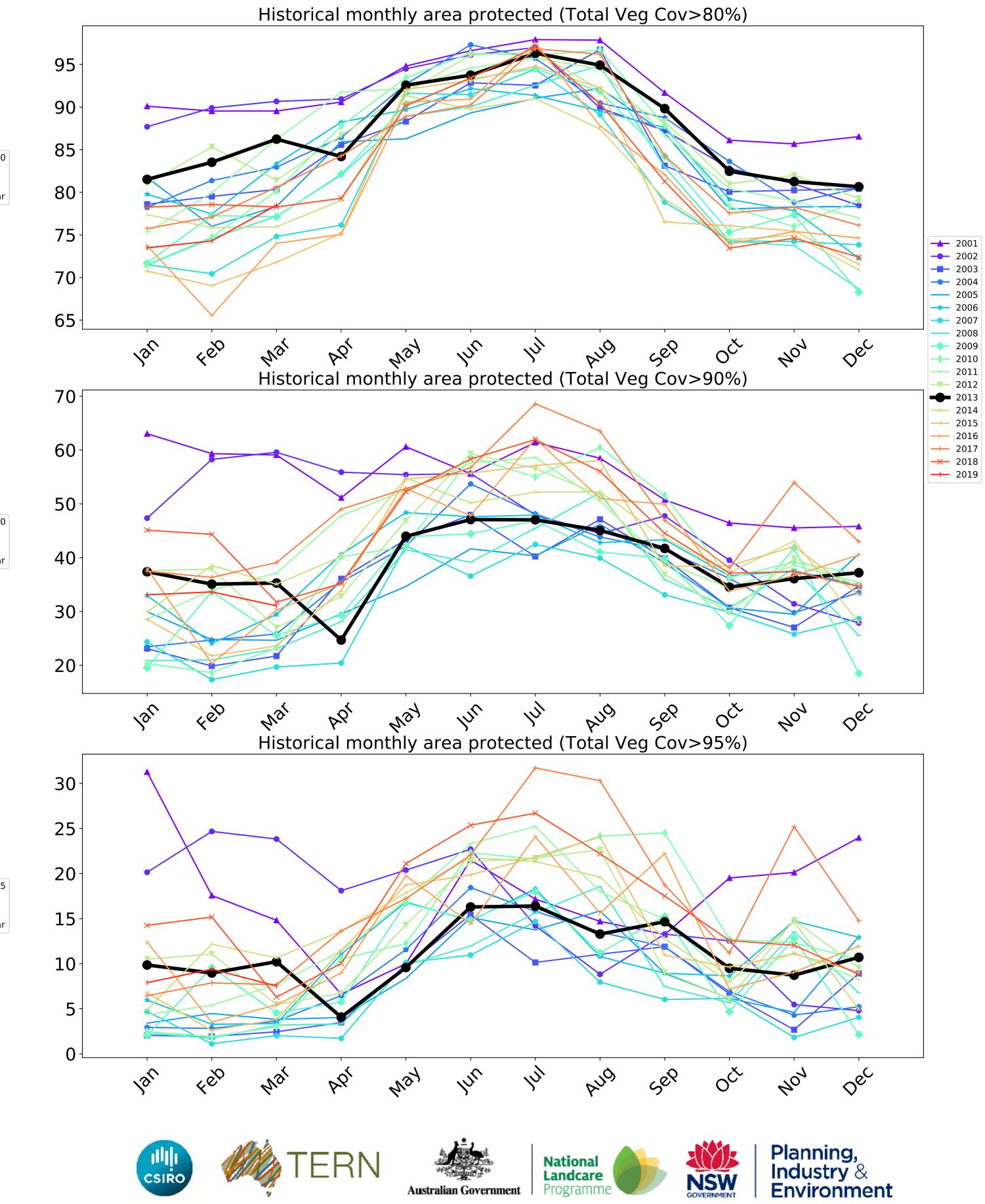
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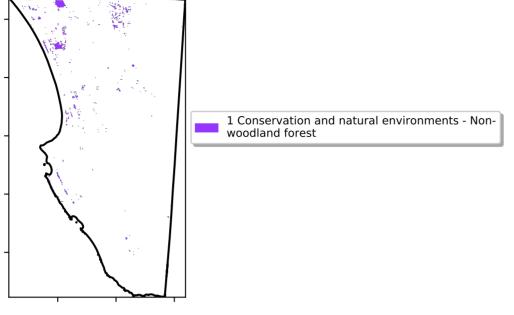




### **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

Land use and forest cover





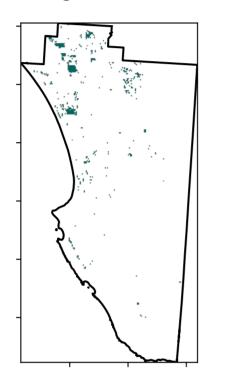
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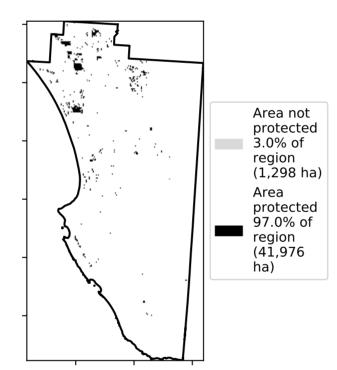
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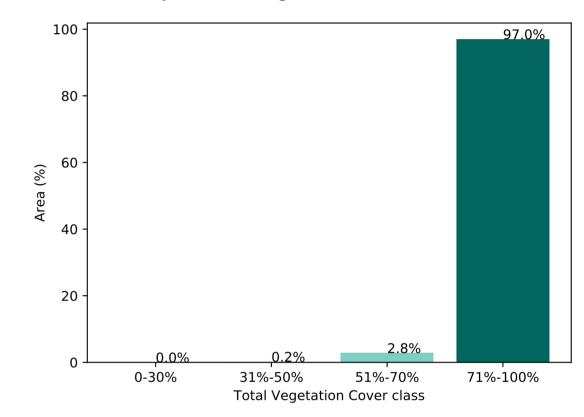
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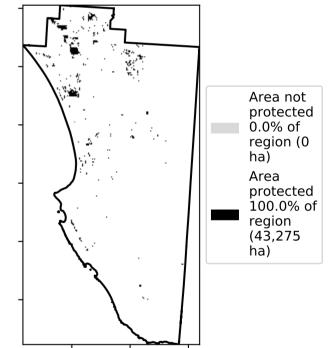




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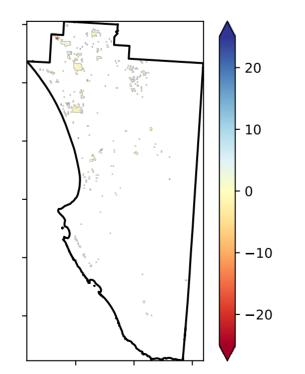


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



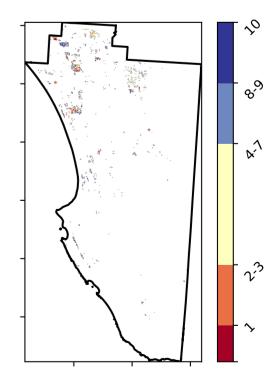
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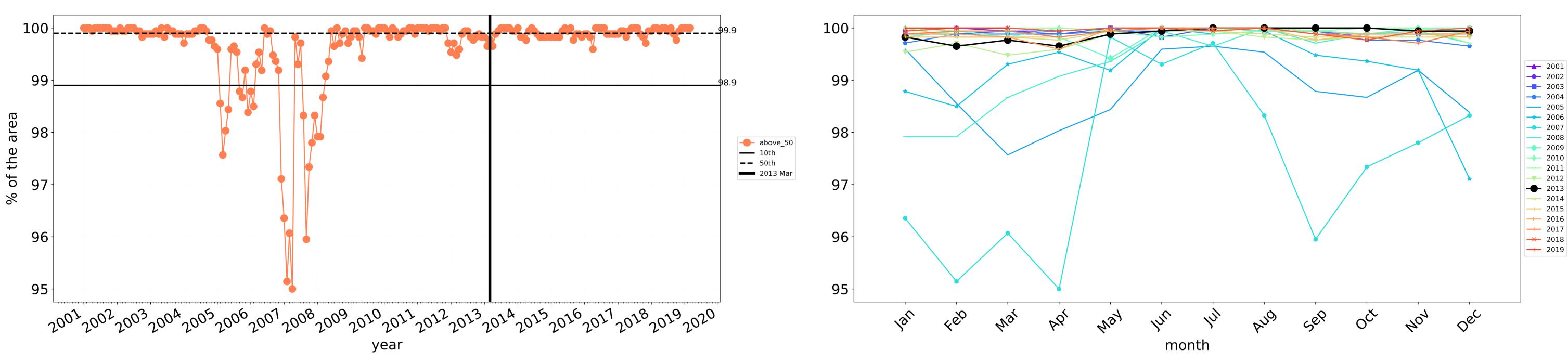
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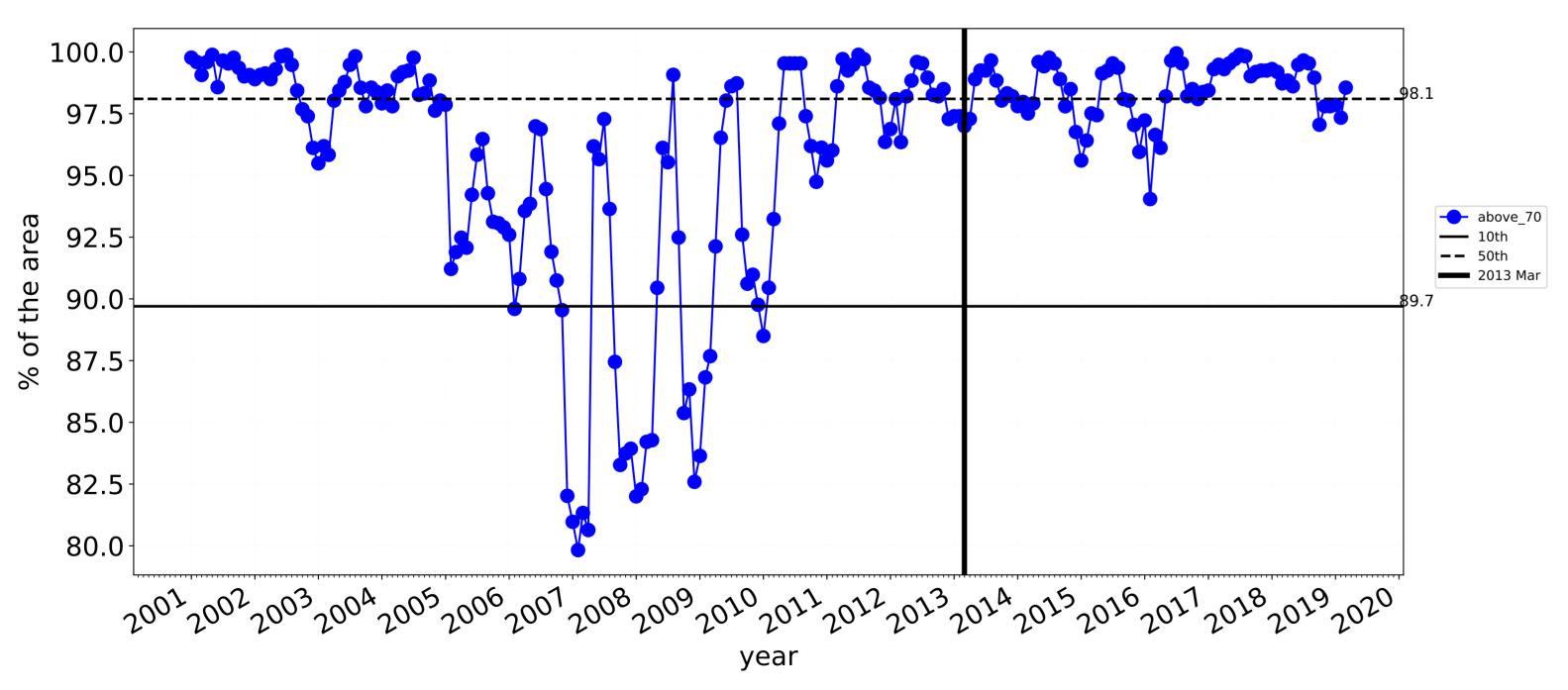


### **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries**

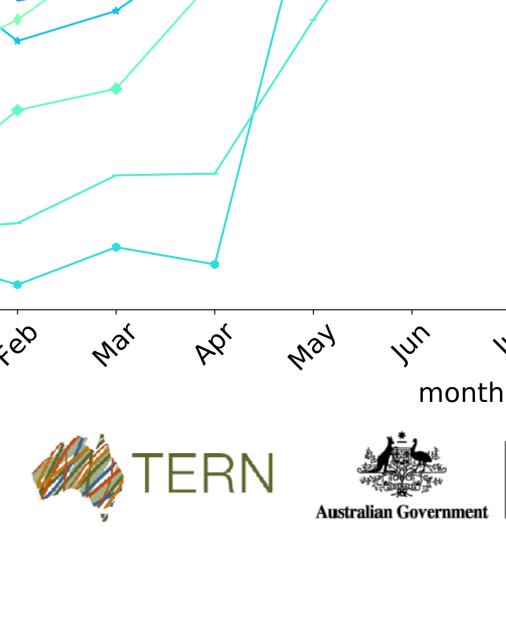


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

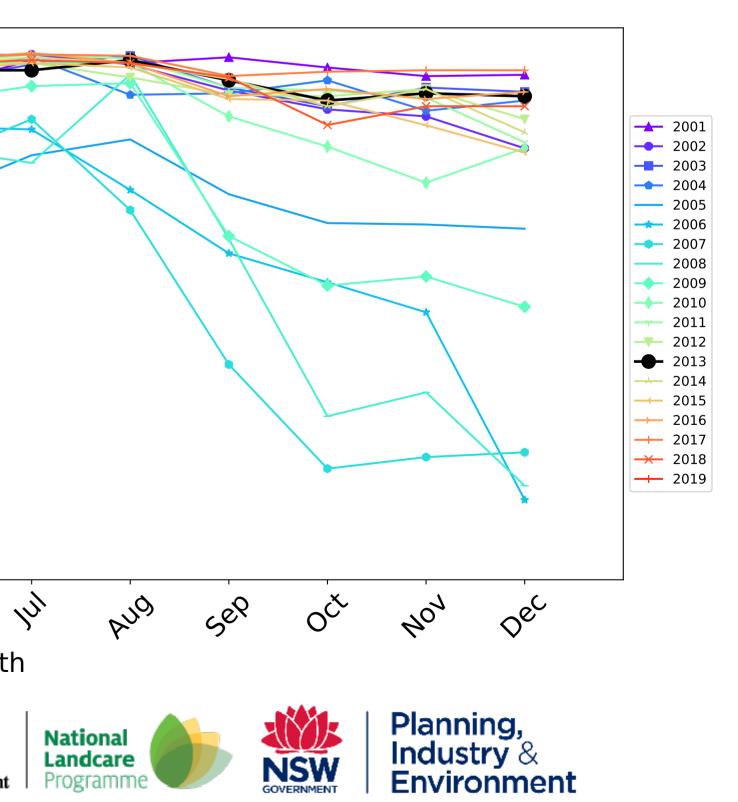
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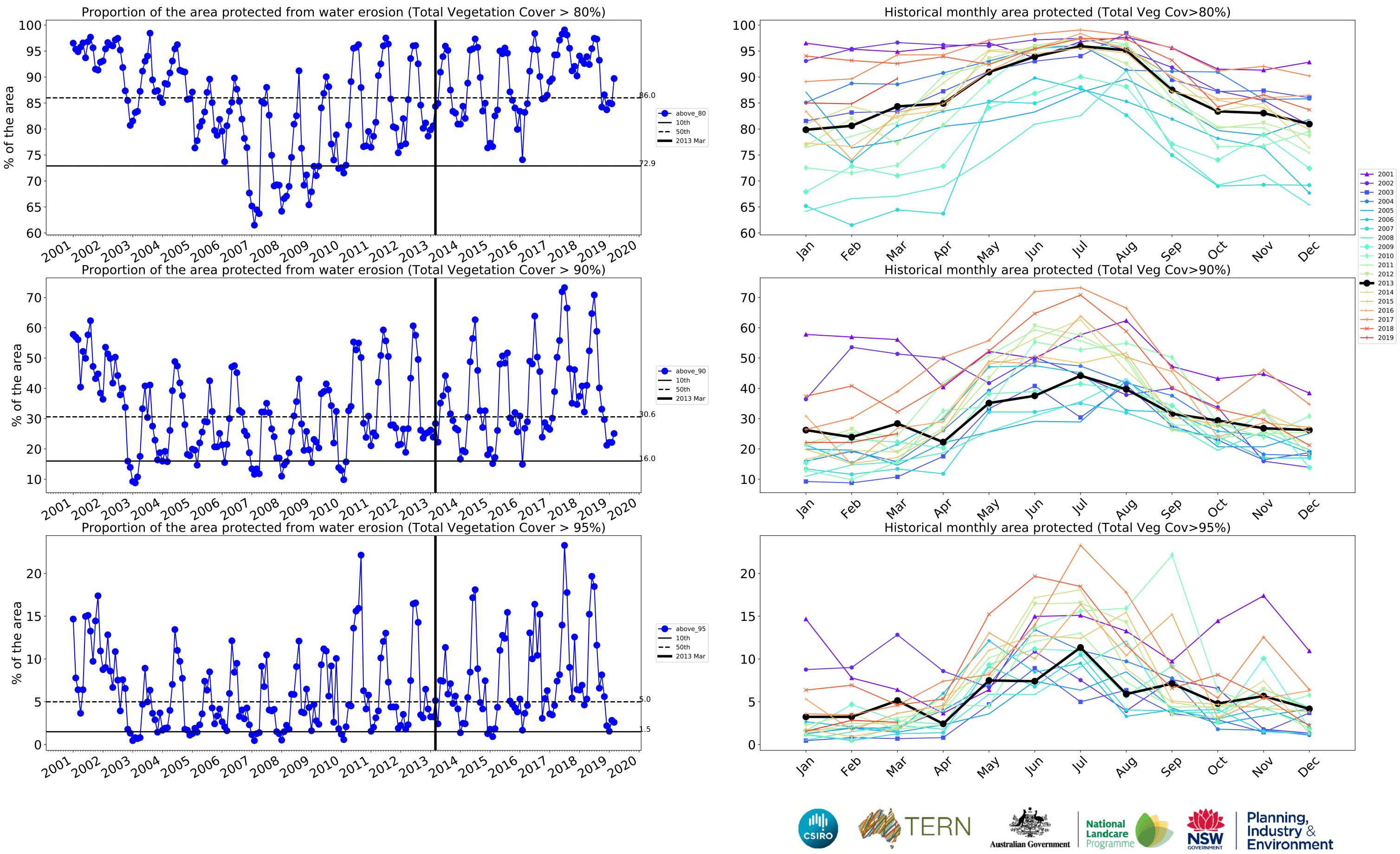


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Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

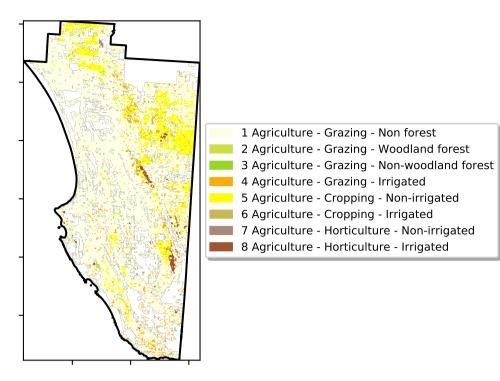




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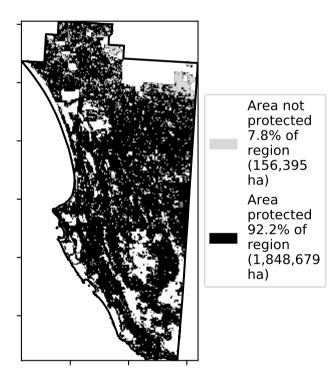
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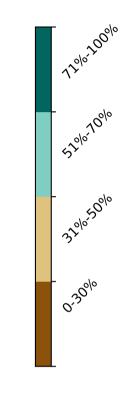
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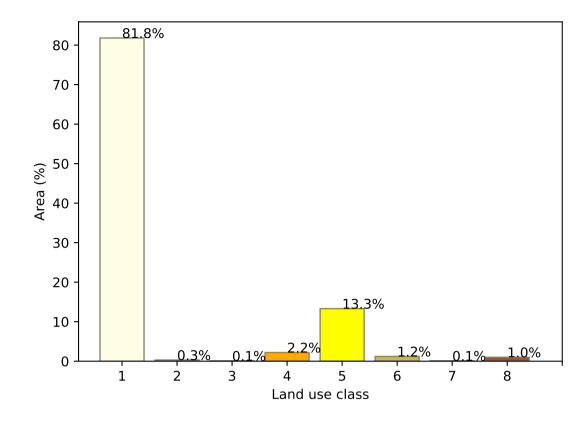
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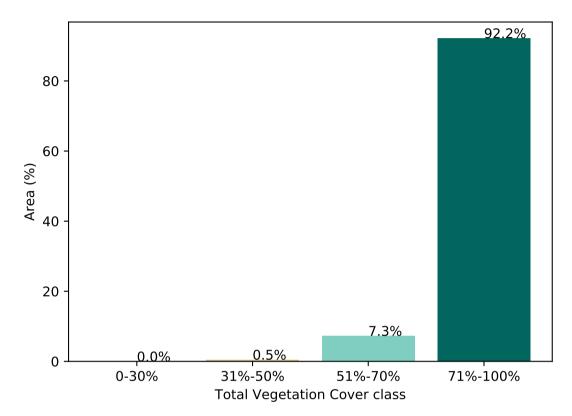




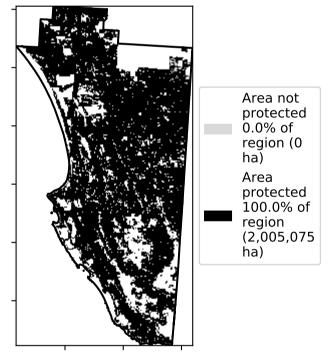
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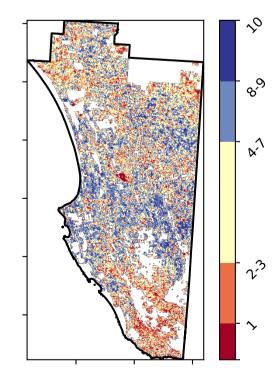
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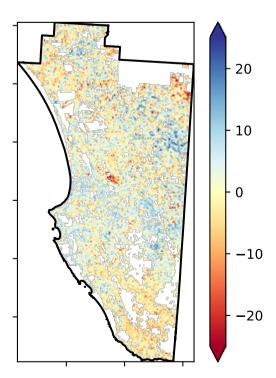


**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

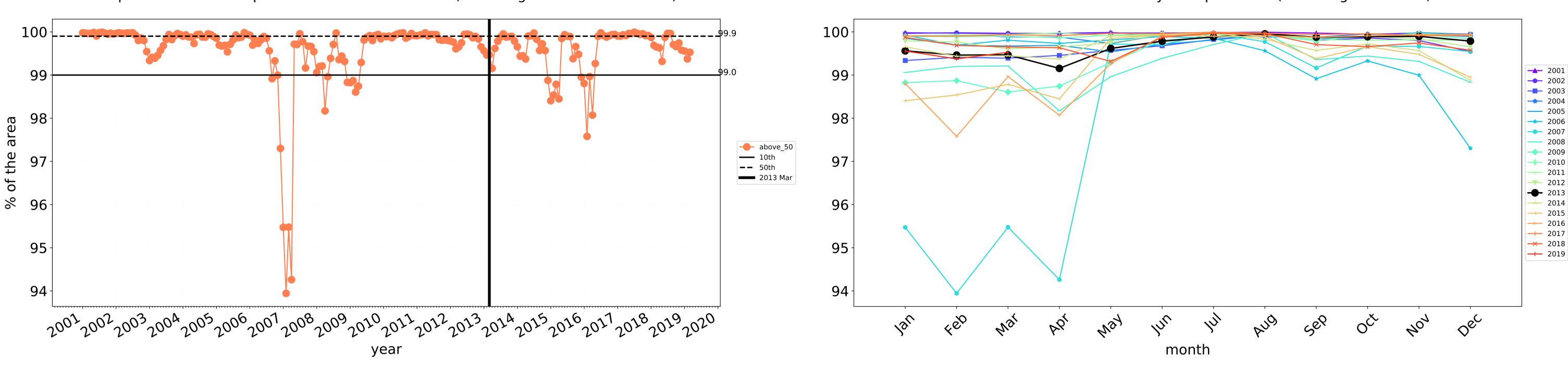
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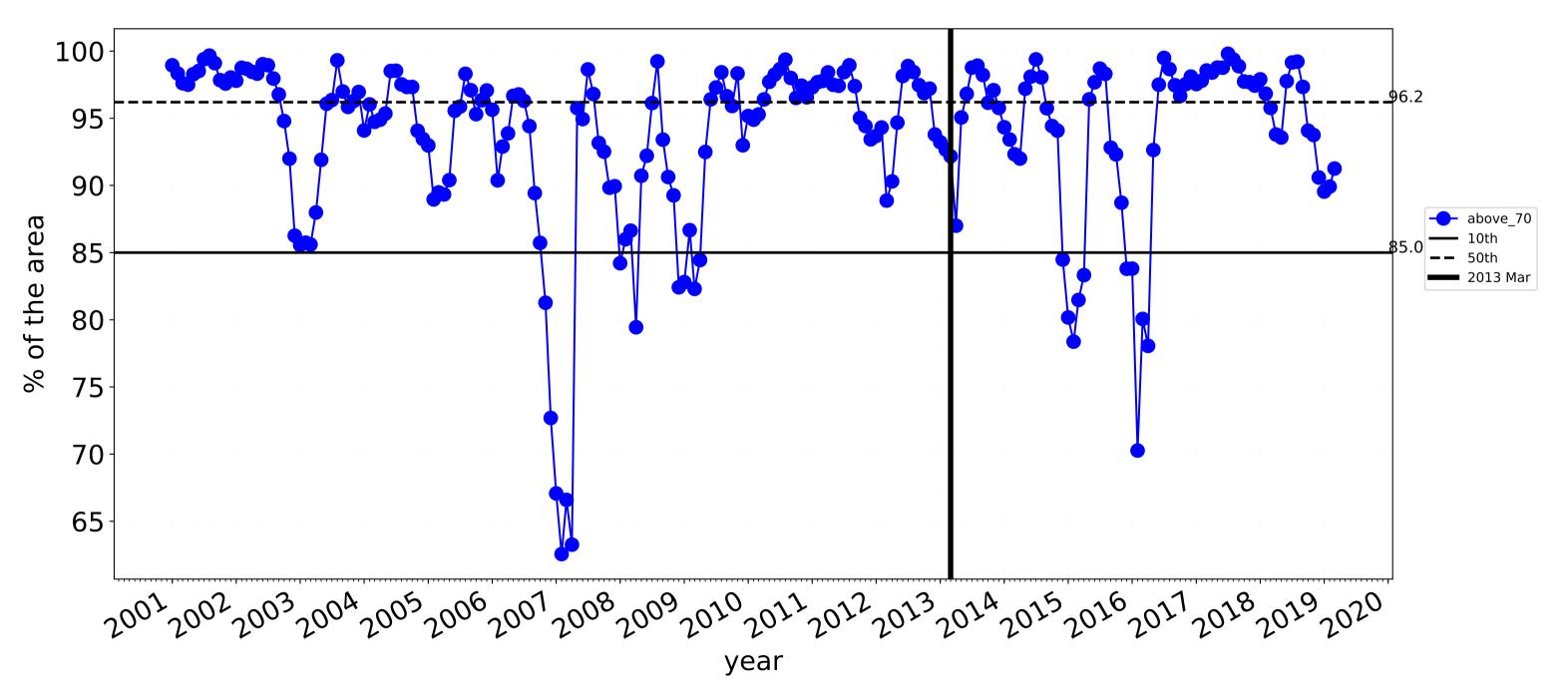


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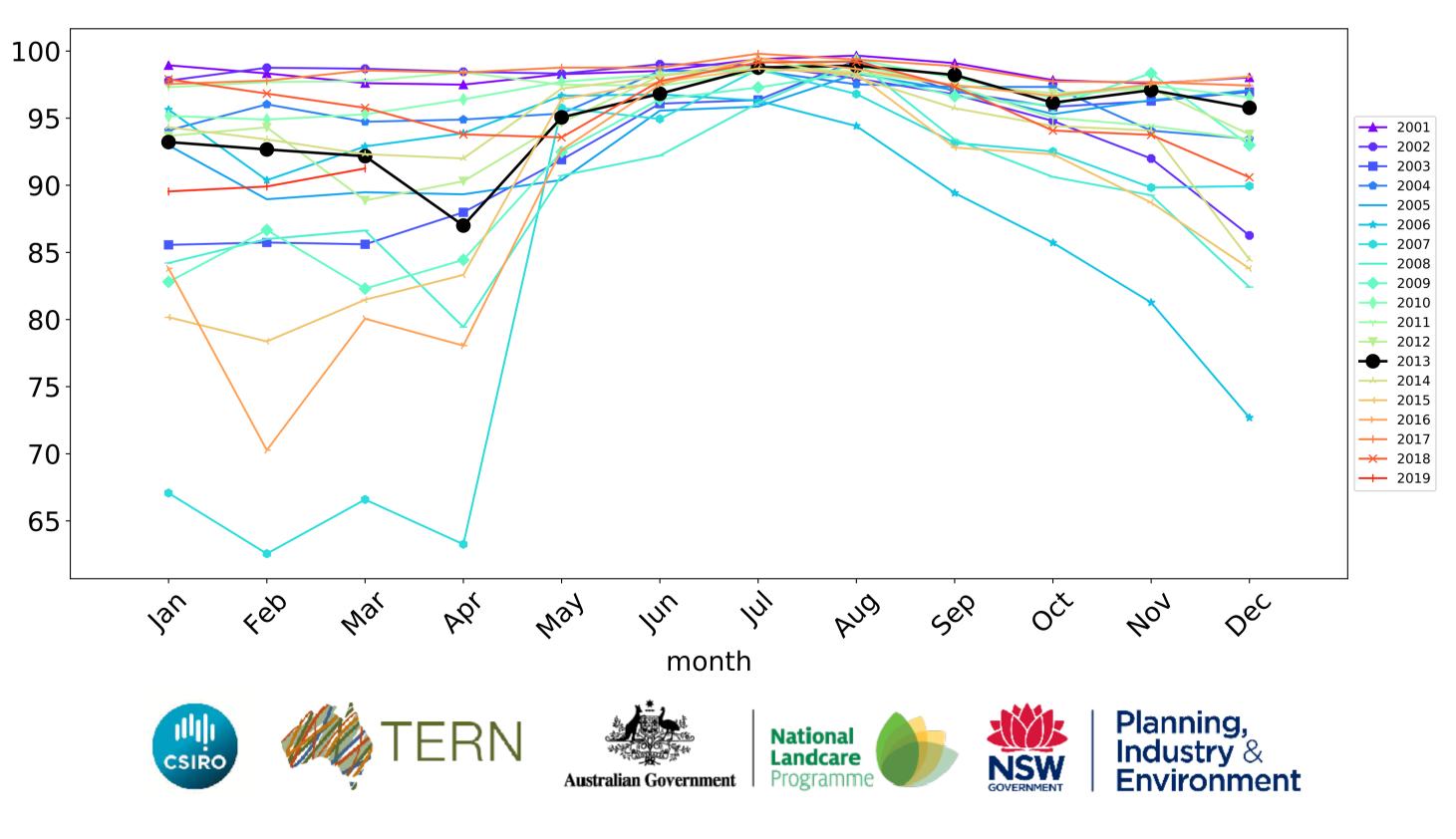
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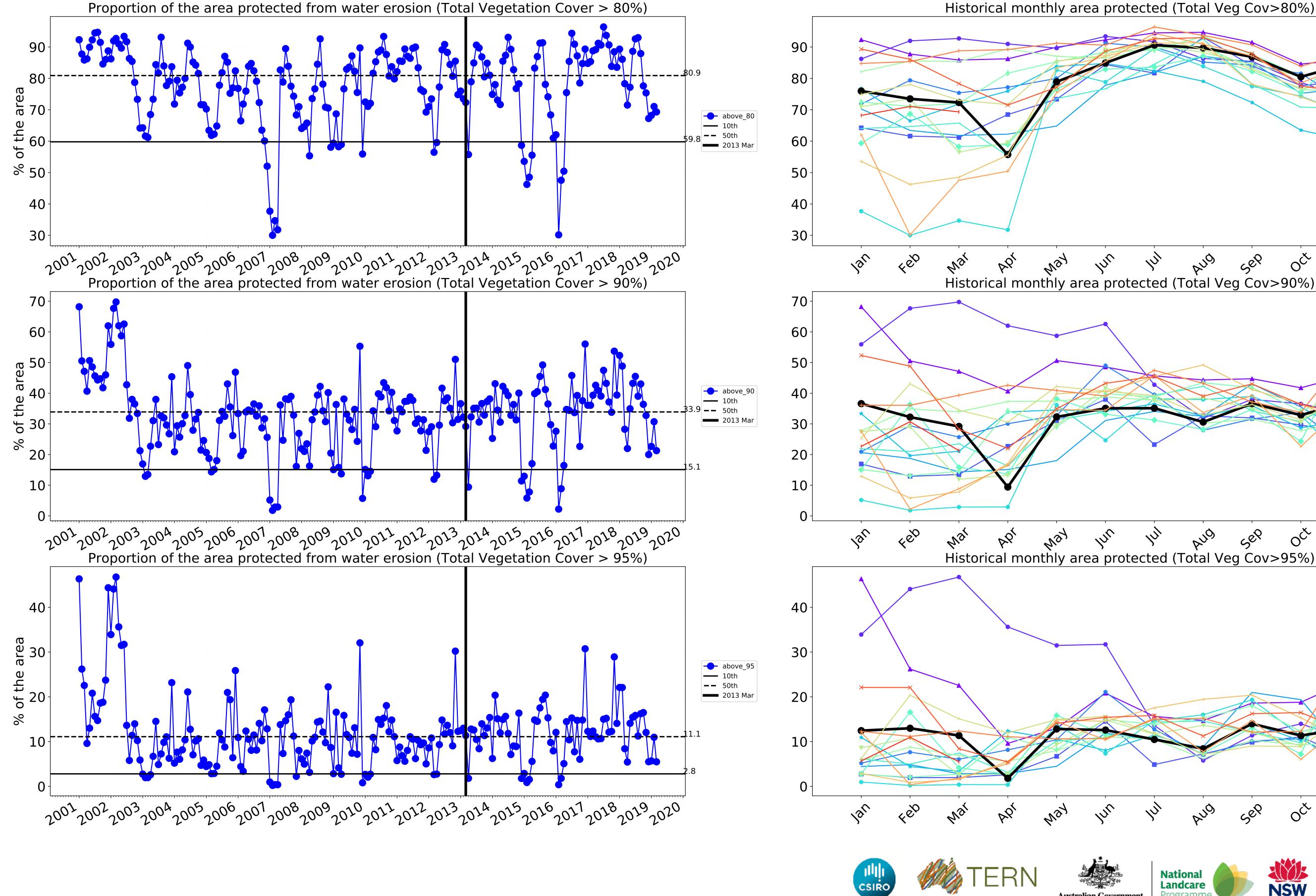
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



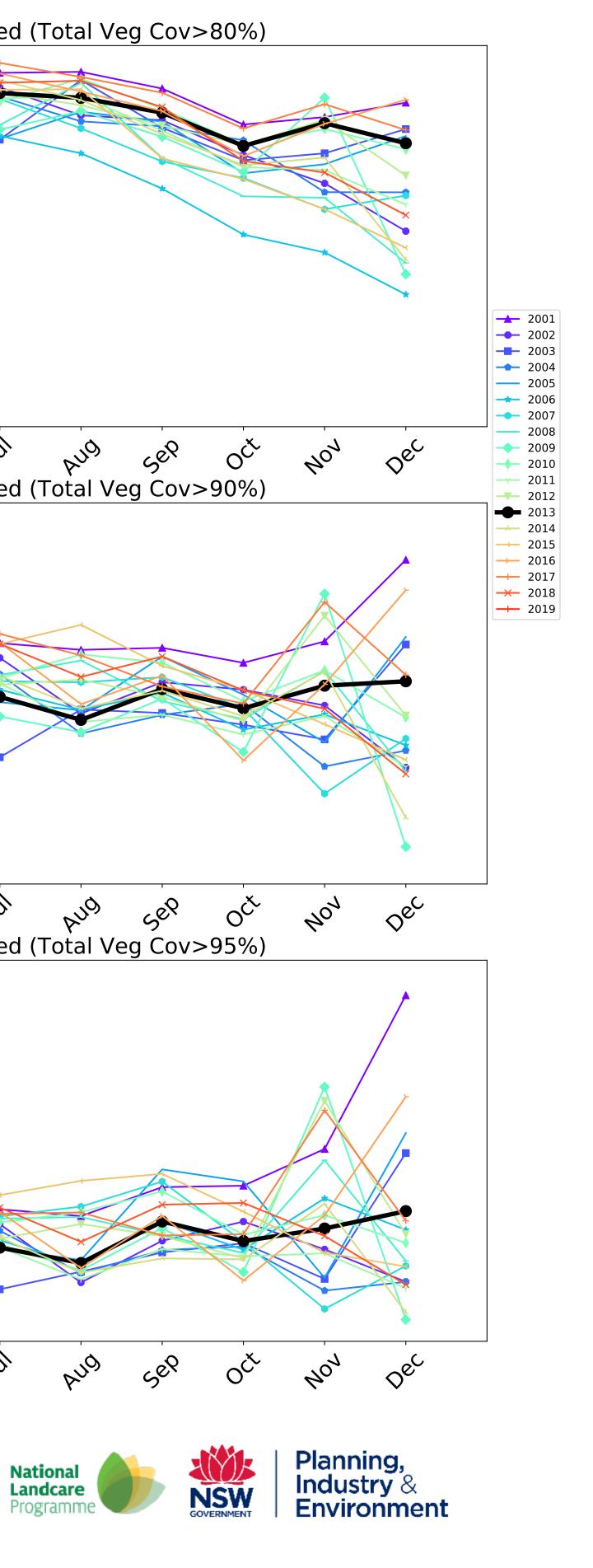
### **Agriculture timeseries**

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





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### Grazing

· 1200-200%

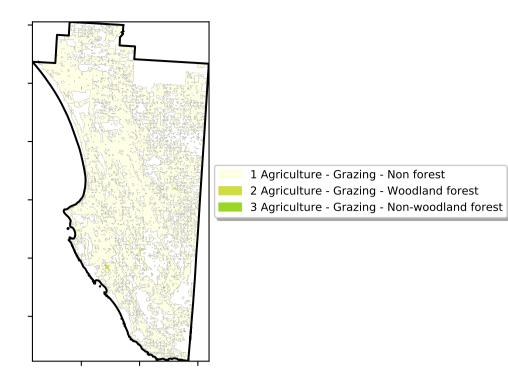
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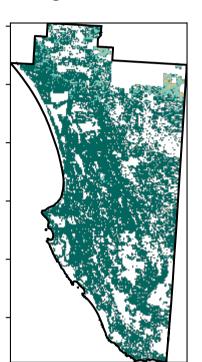
0.30%

#### Land use and forest cover

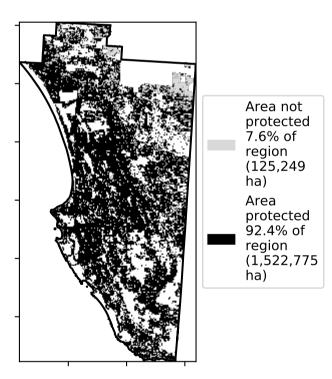
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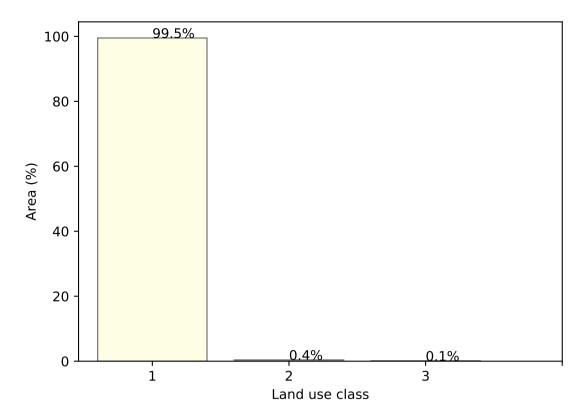
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



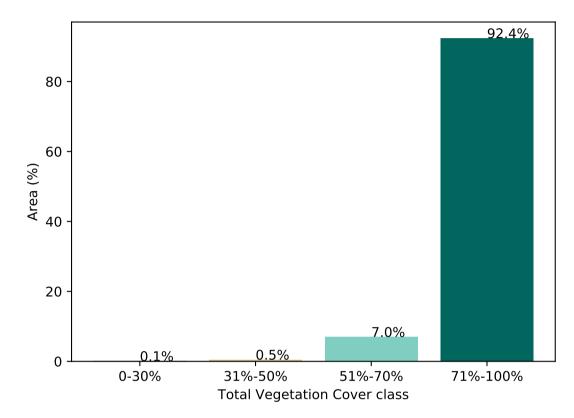
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

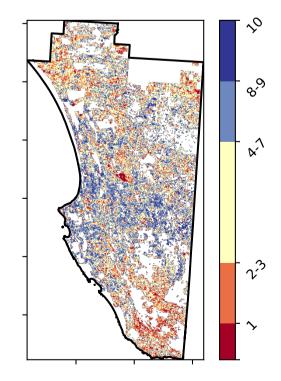


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



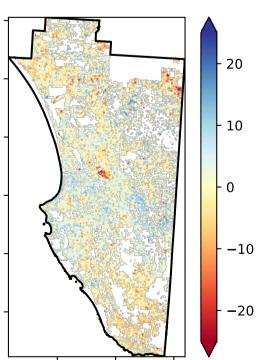
Area not protected 1.0% of region (16,480 ha) Area protected 99.0% of region (1,631,544 ha)

### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



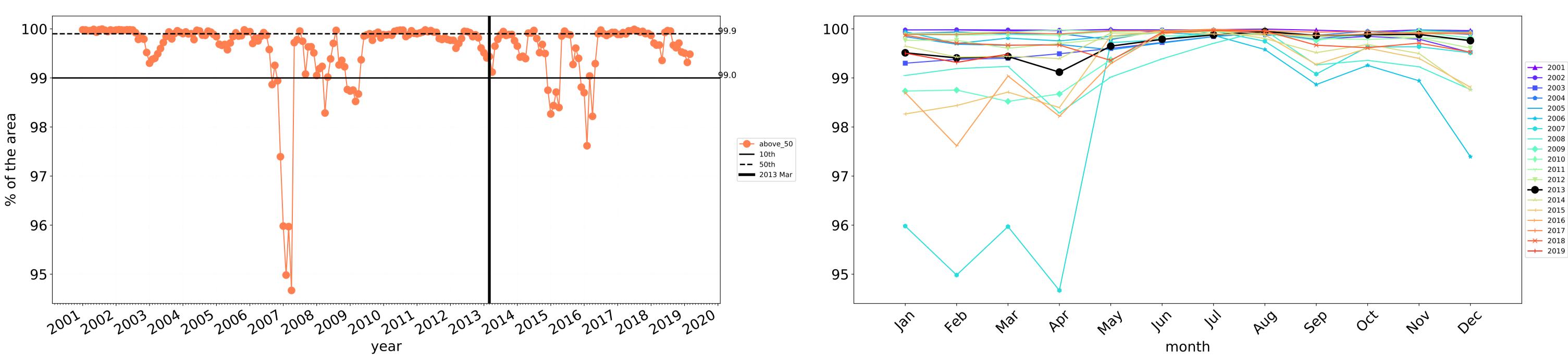
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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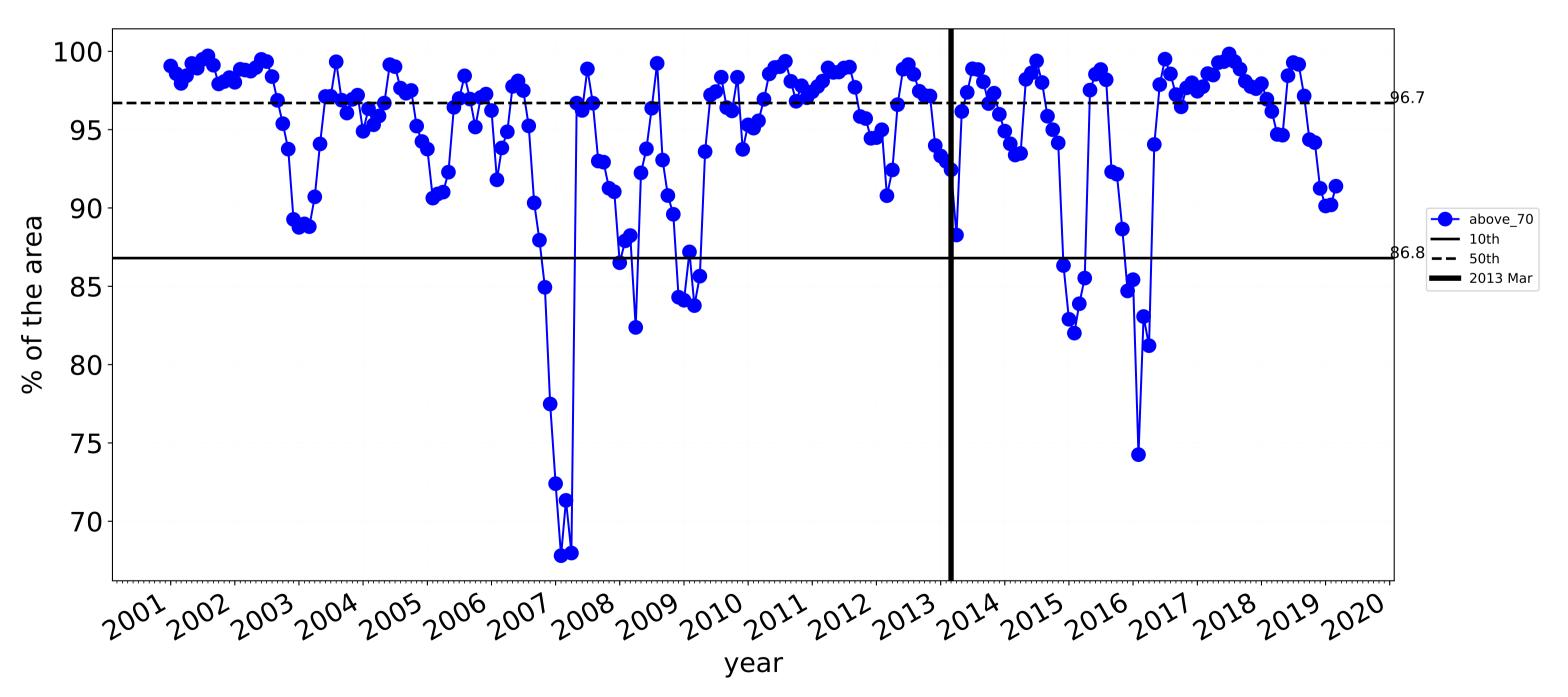
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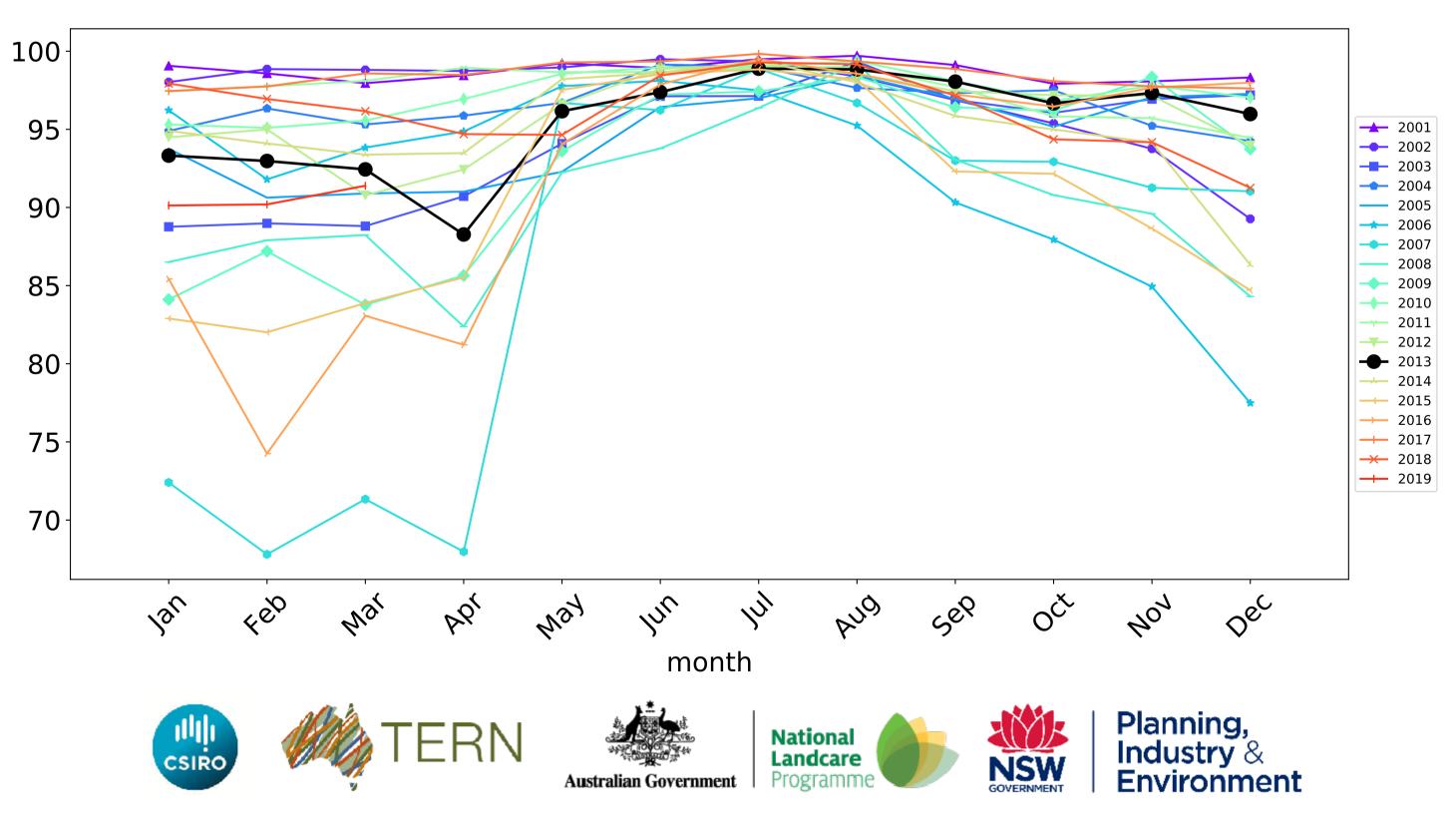
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

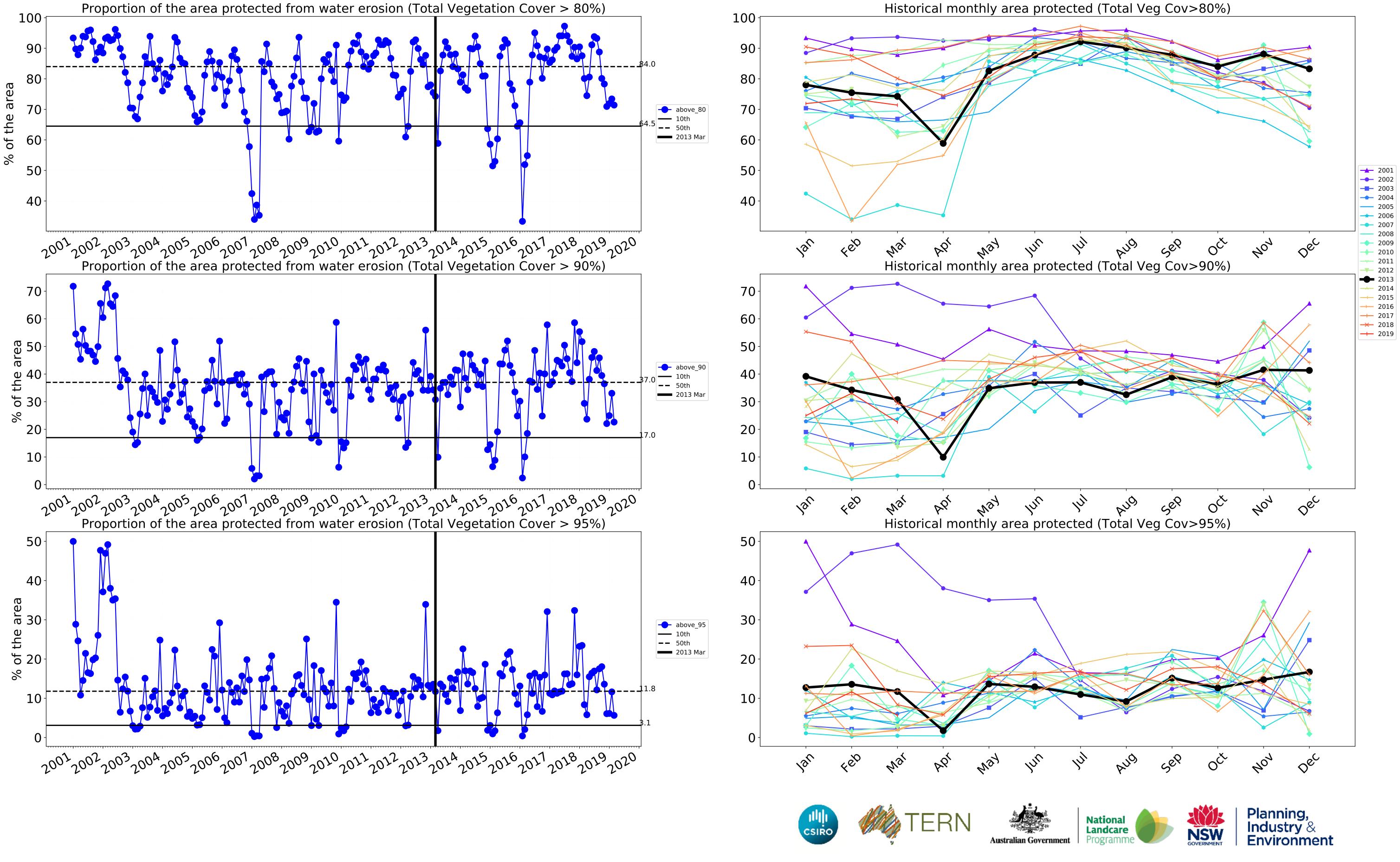
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



### Grazing timeseries

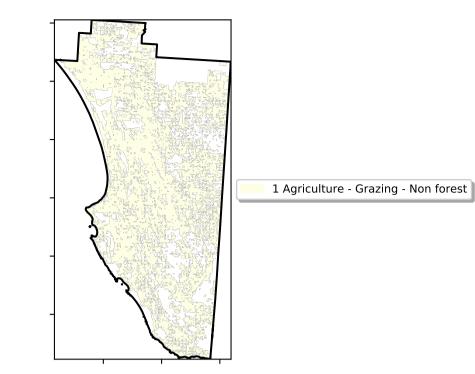
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



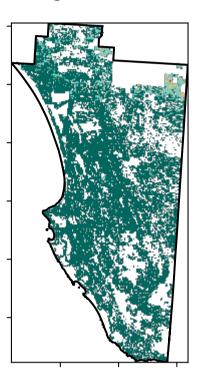


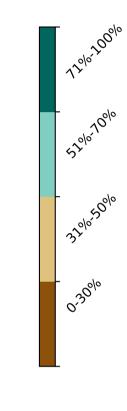
### **Grazing non forest**

#### Land use and forest cover

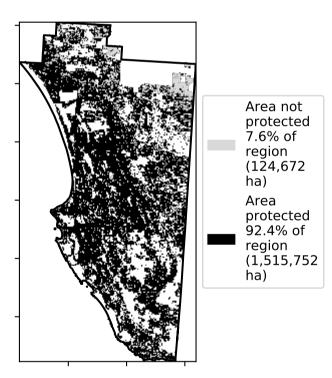


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

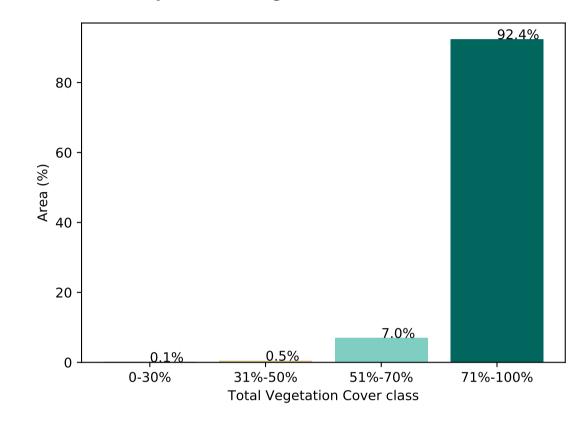




% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



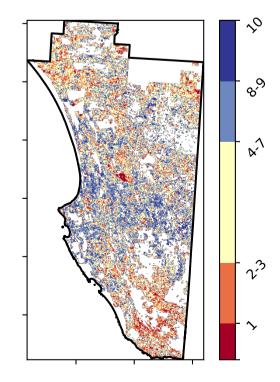
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Area not protected 1.0% of region (16,404 ha) Area protected 99.0% of region (1,624,020 ha)

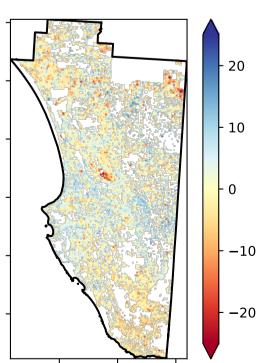
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### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



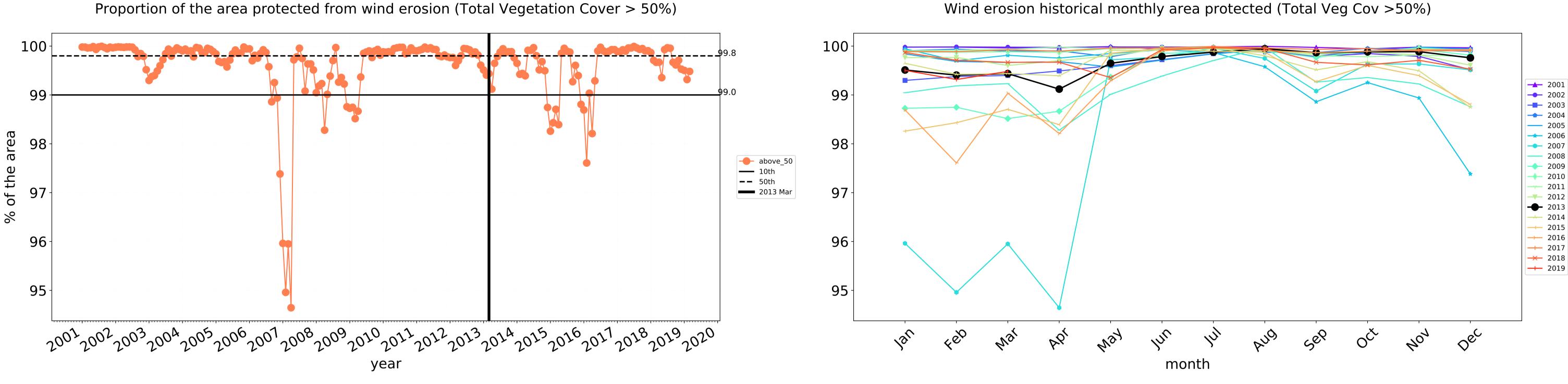
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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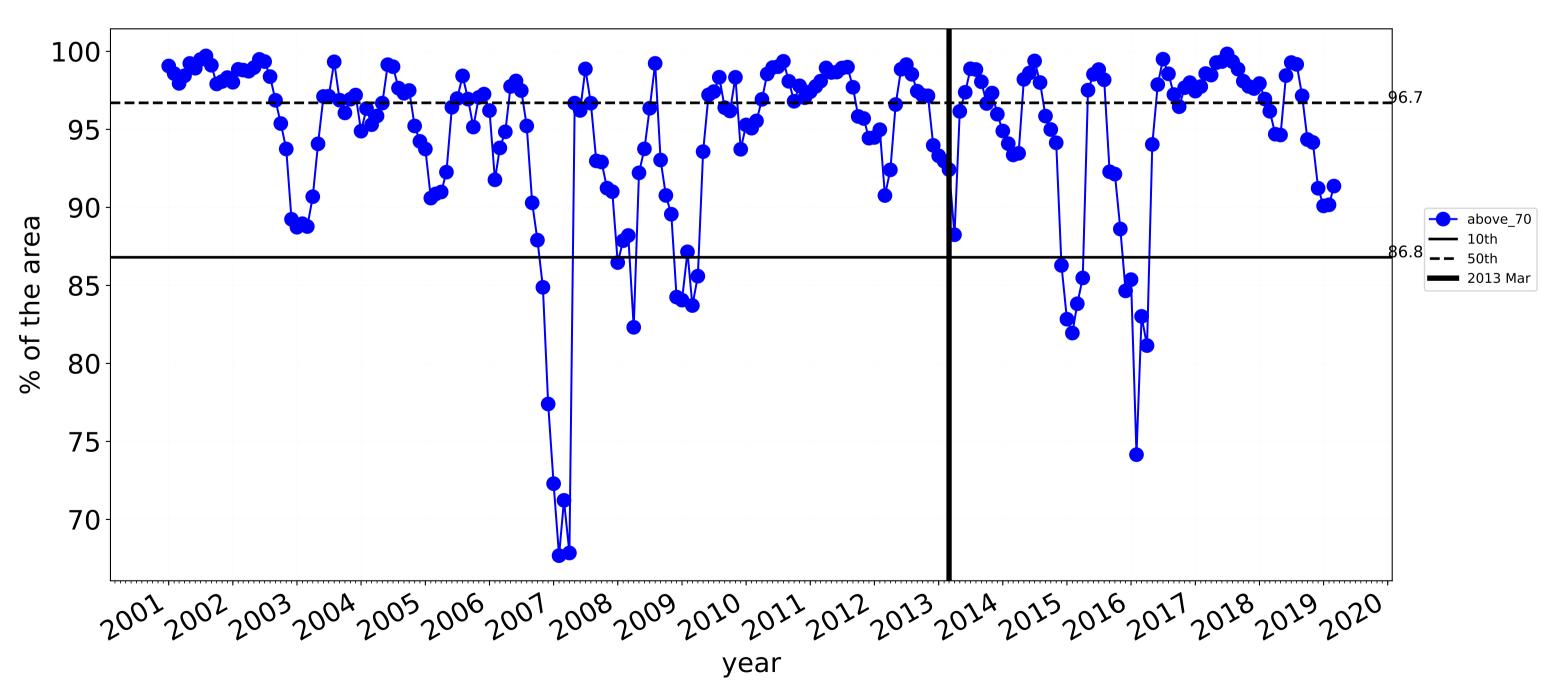
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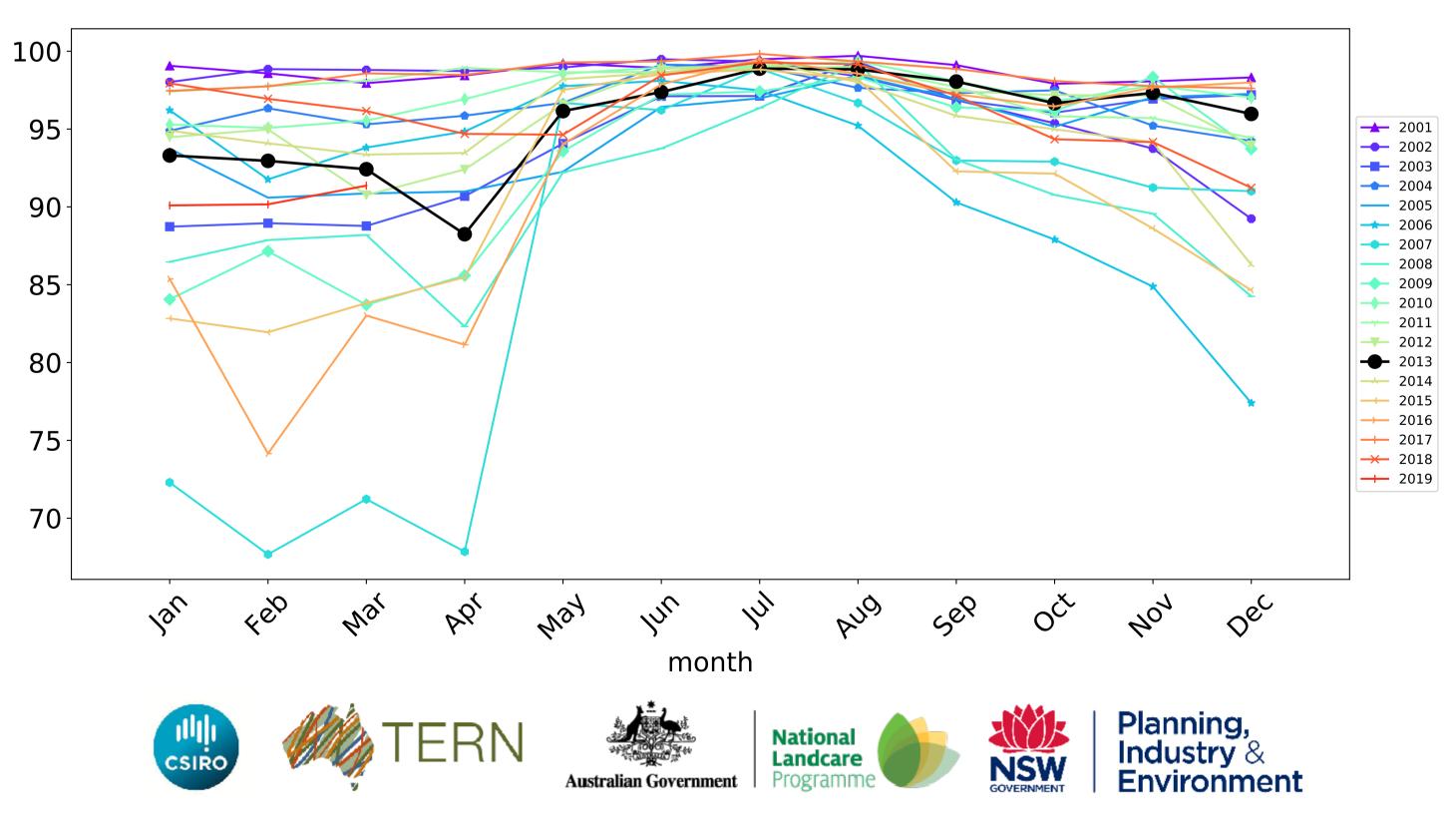


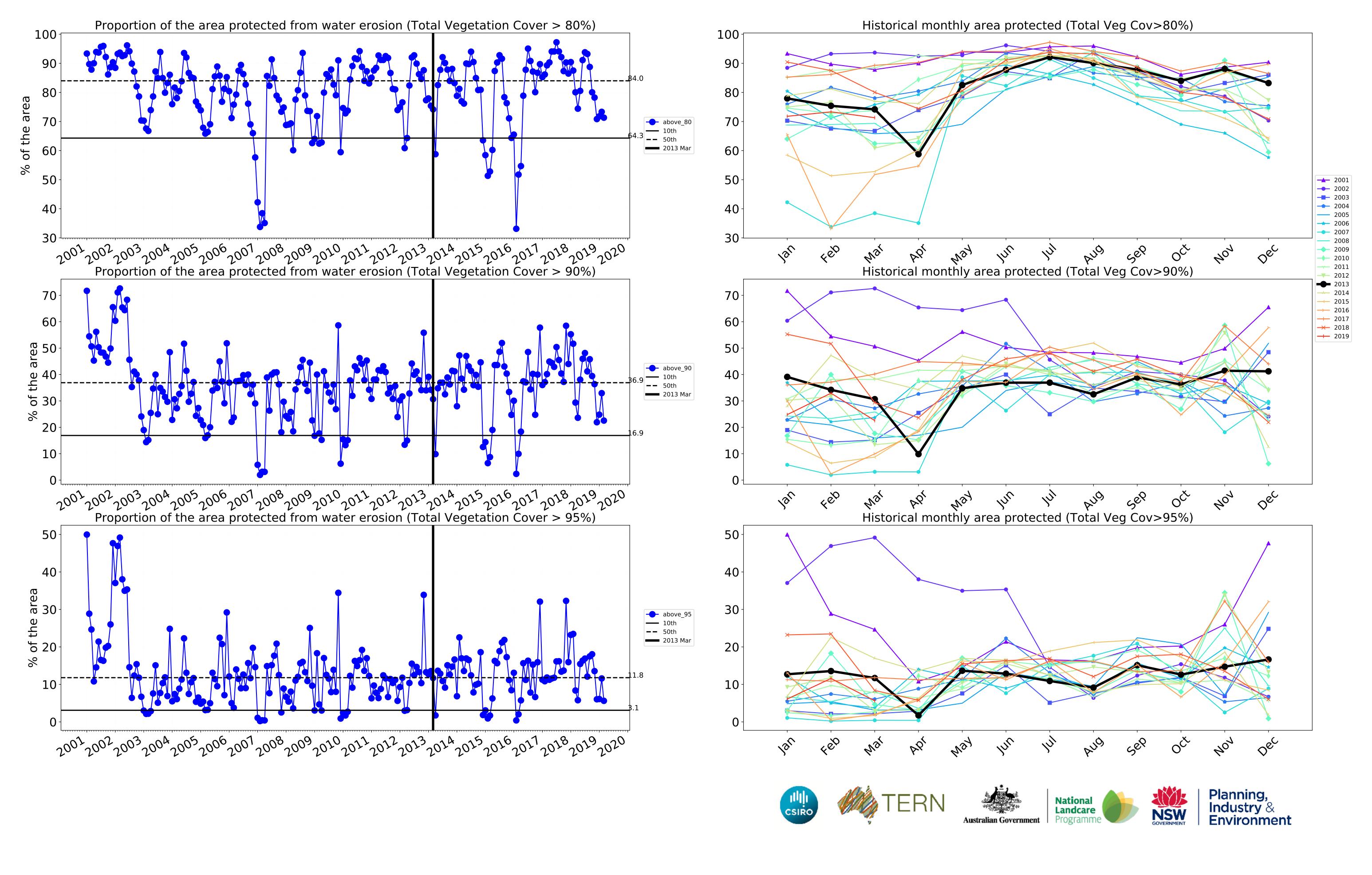
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



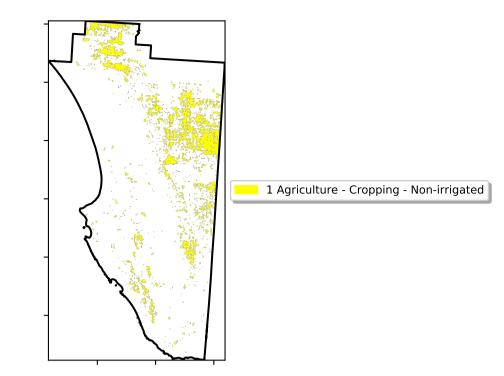
### Grazing non forest timeseries



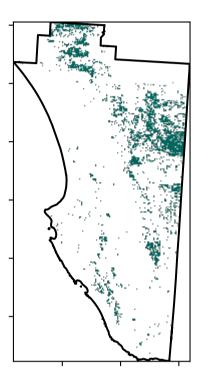


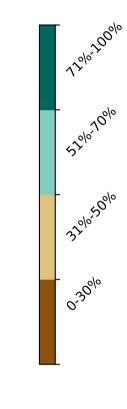
### Cropping

#### Land use and forest cover

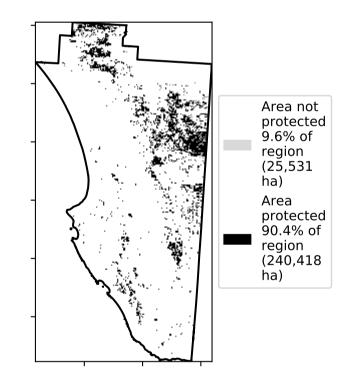


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

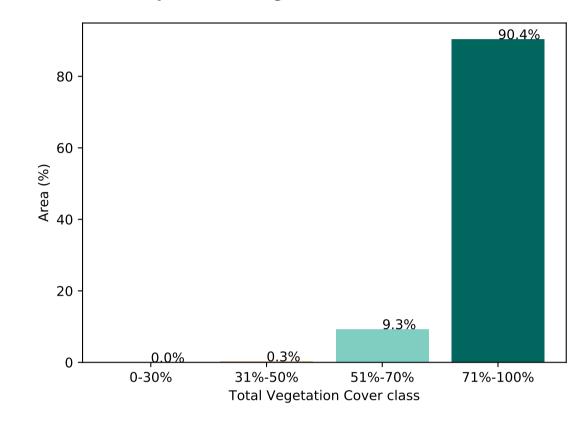




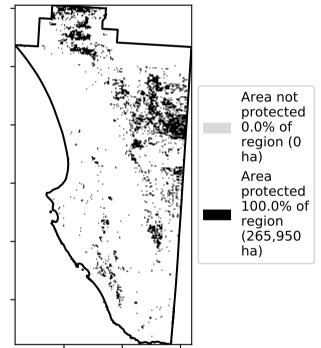
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

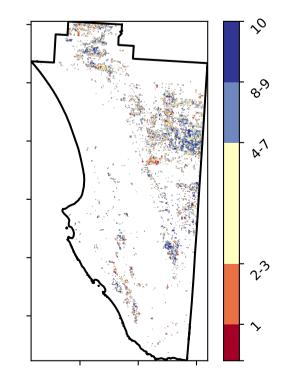


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



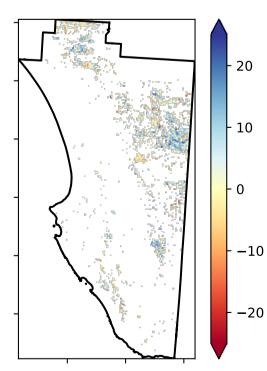
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### **Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]**



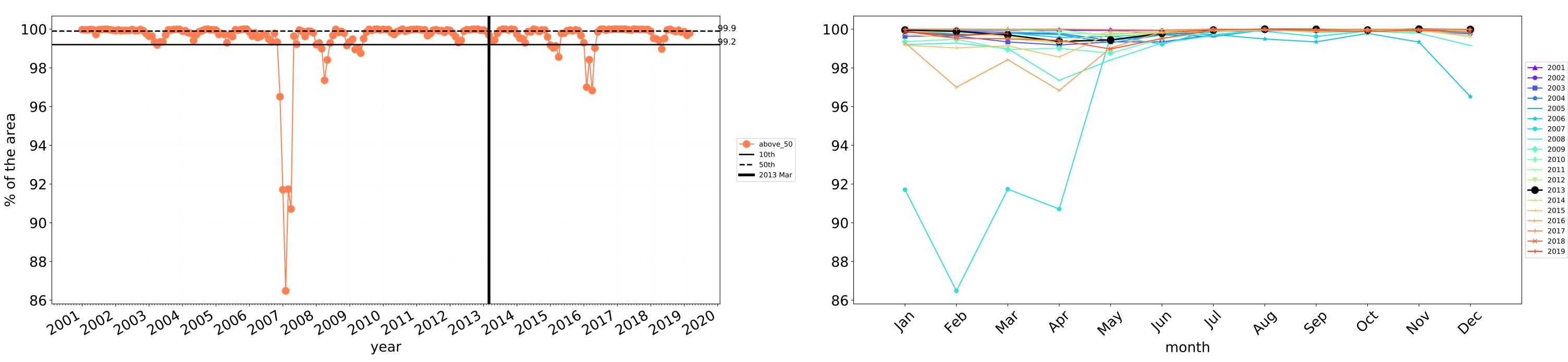
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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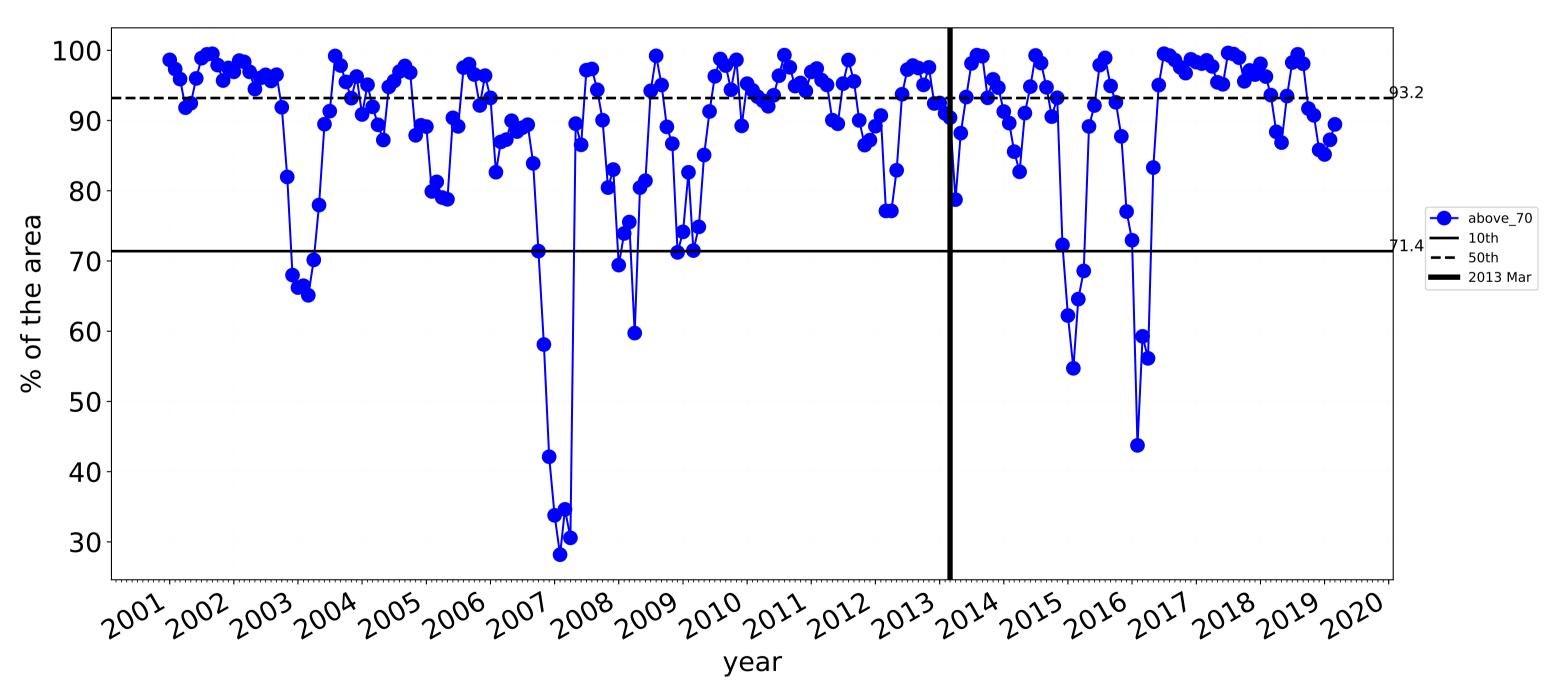
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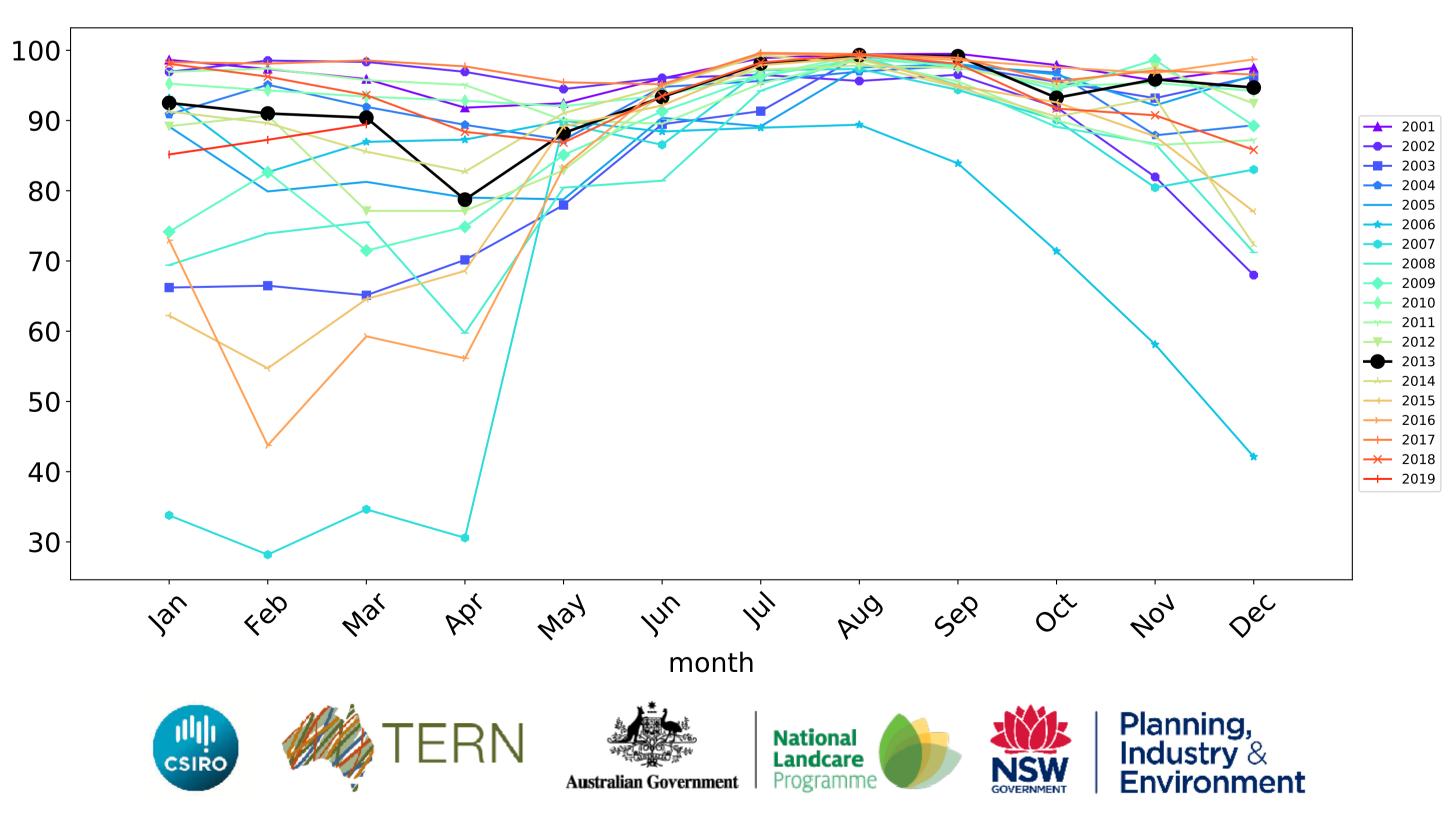
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

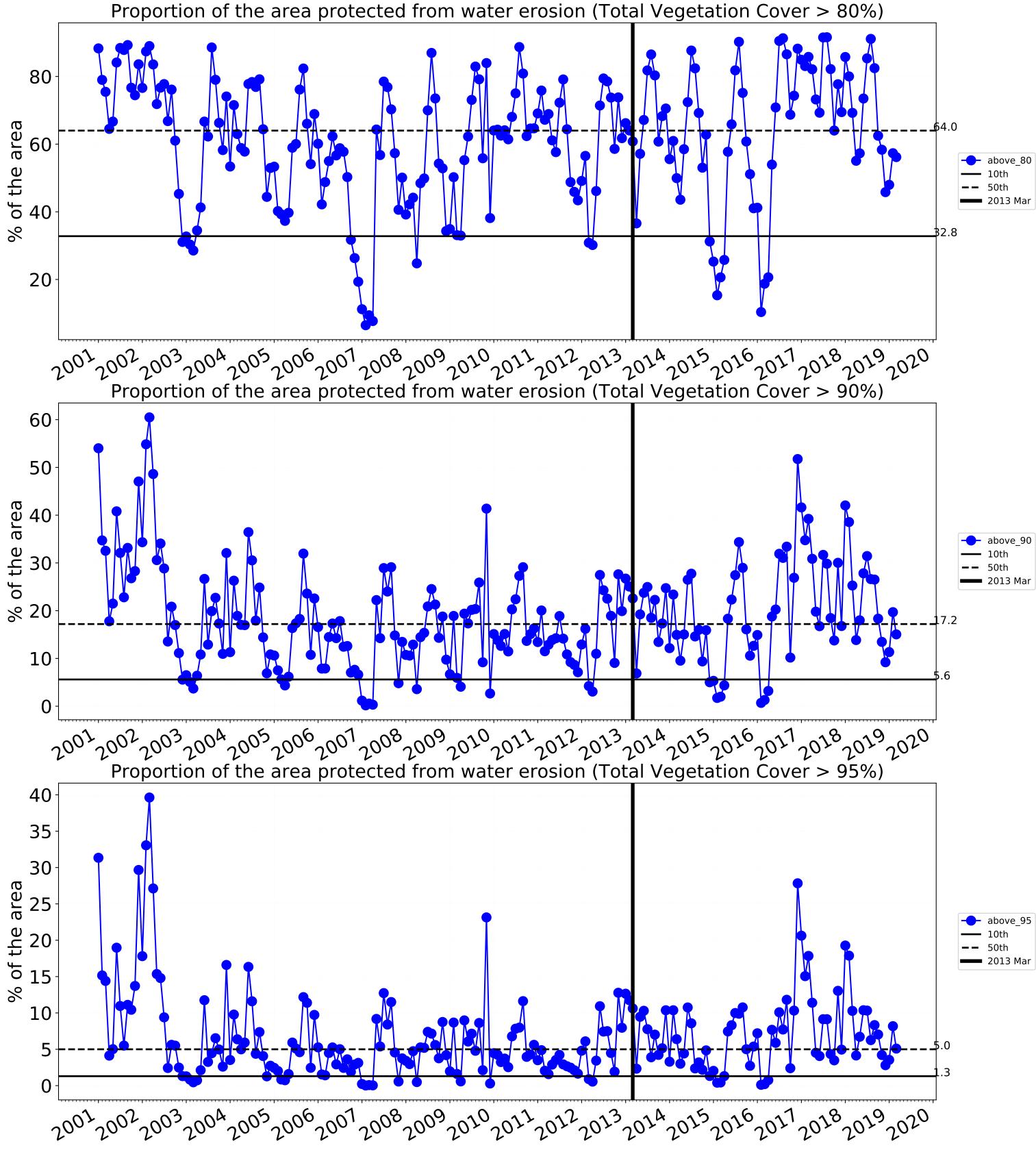
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

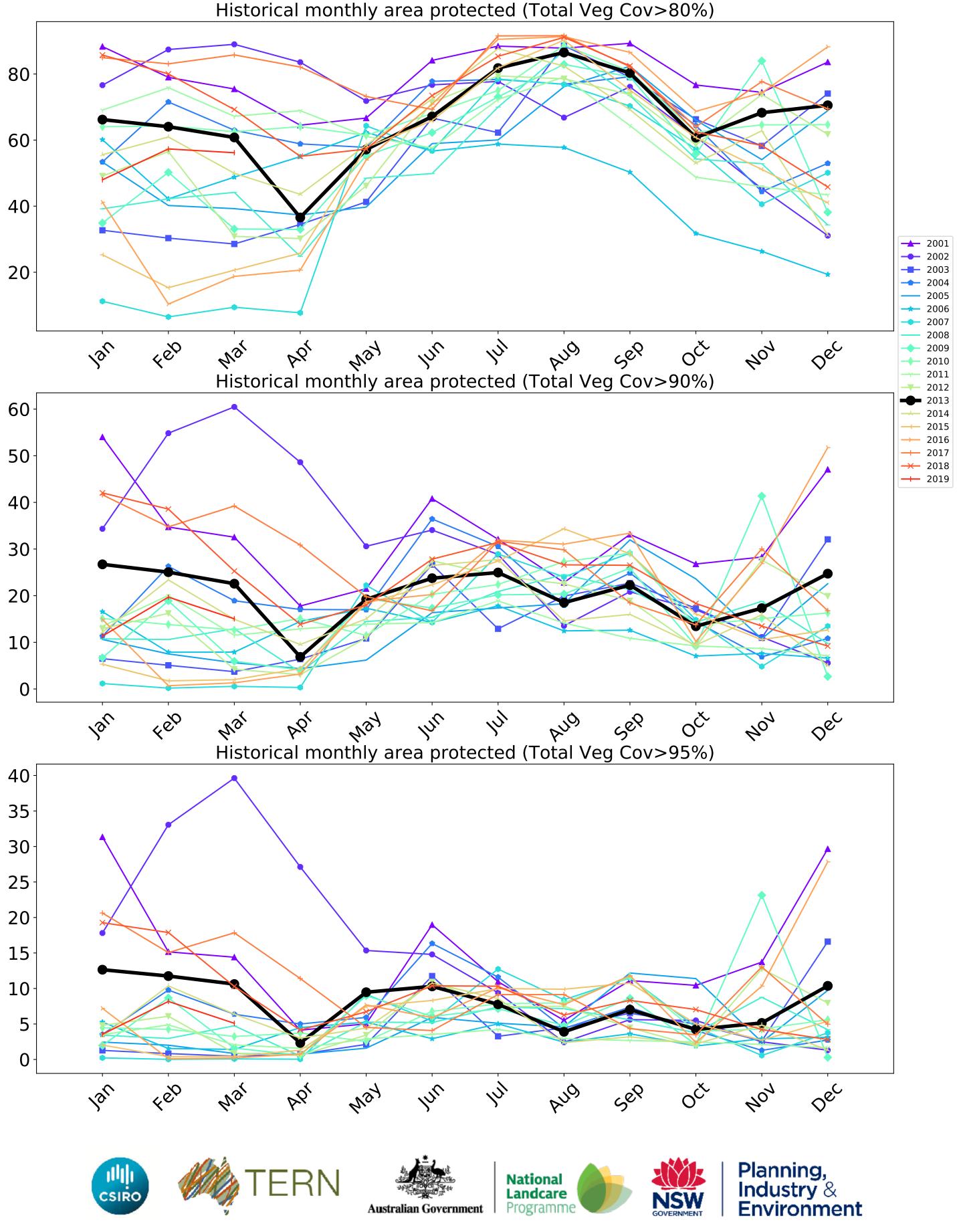


### **Cropping timeseries**

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



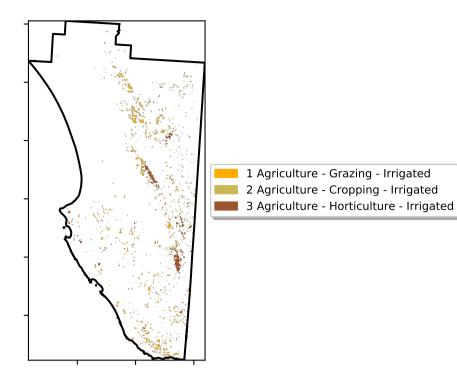




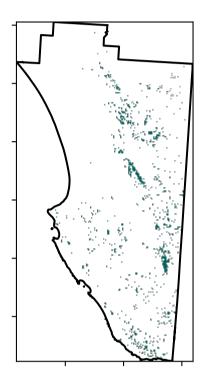
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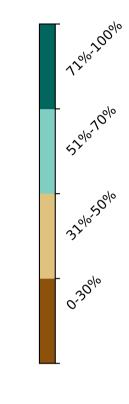
### Land use and forest cover

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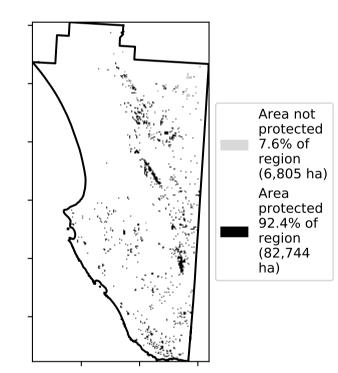
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



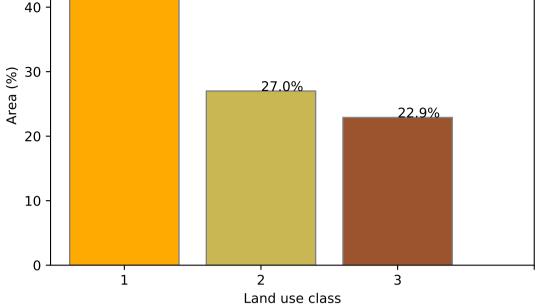


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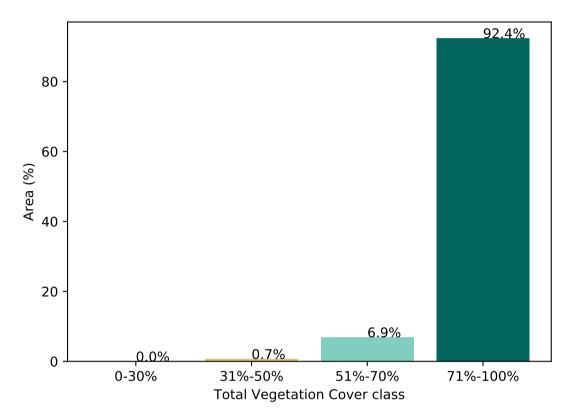
### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



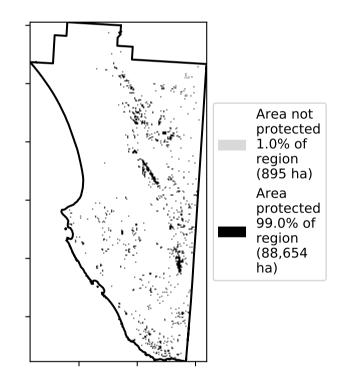




### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

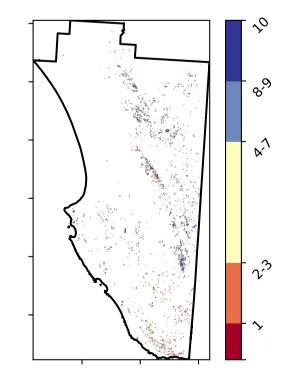


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



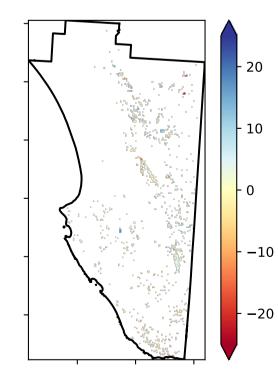
#### Proportion of each land class in area

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



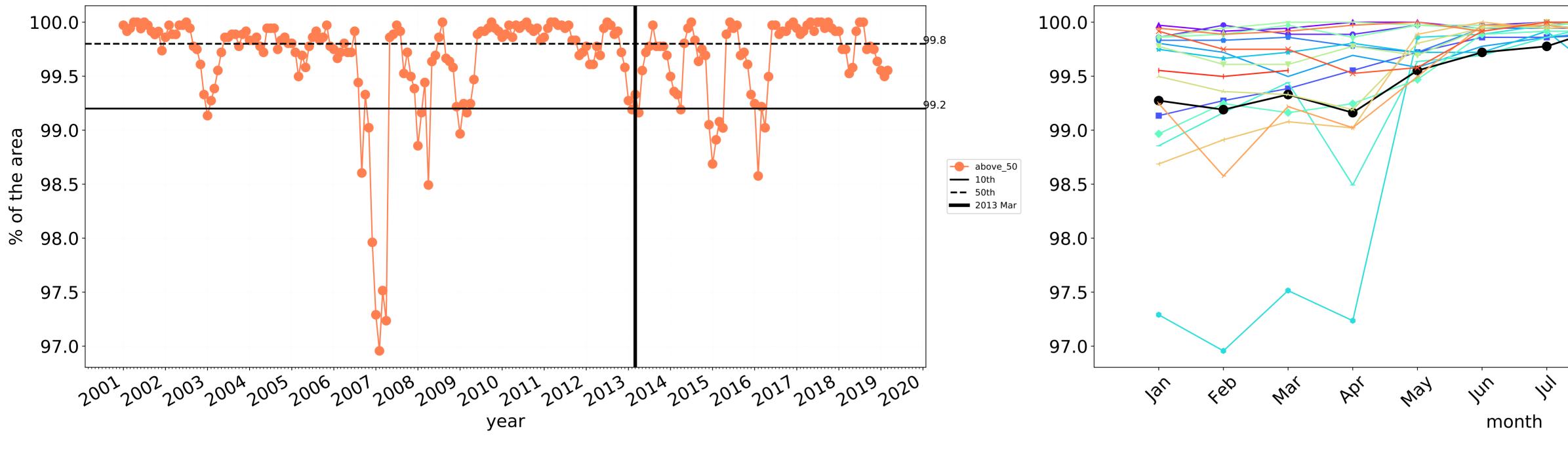
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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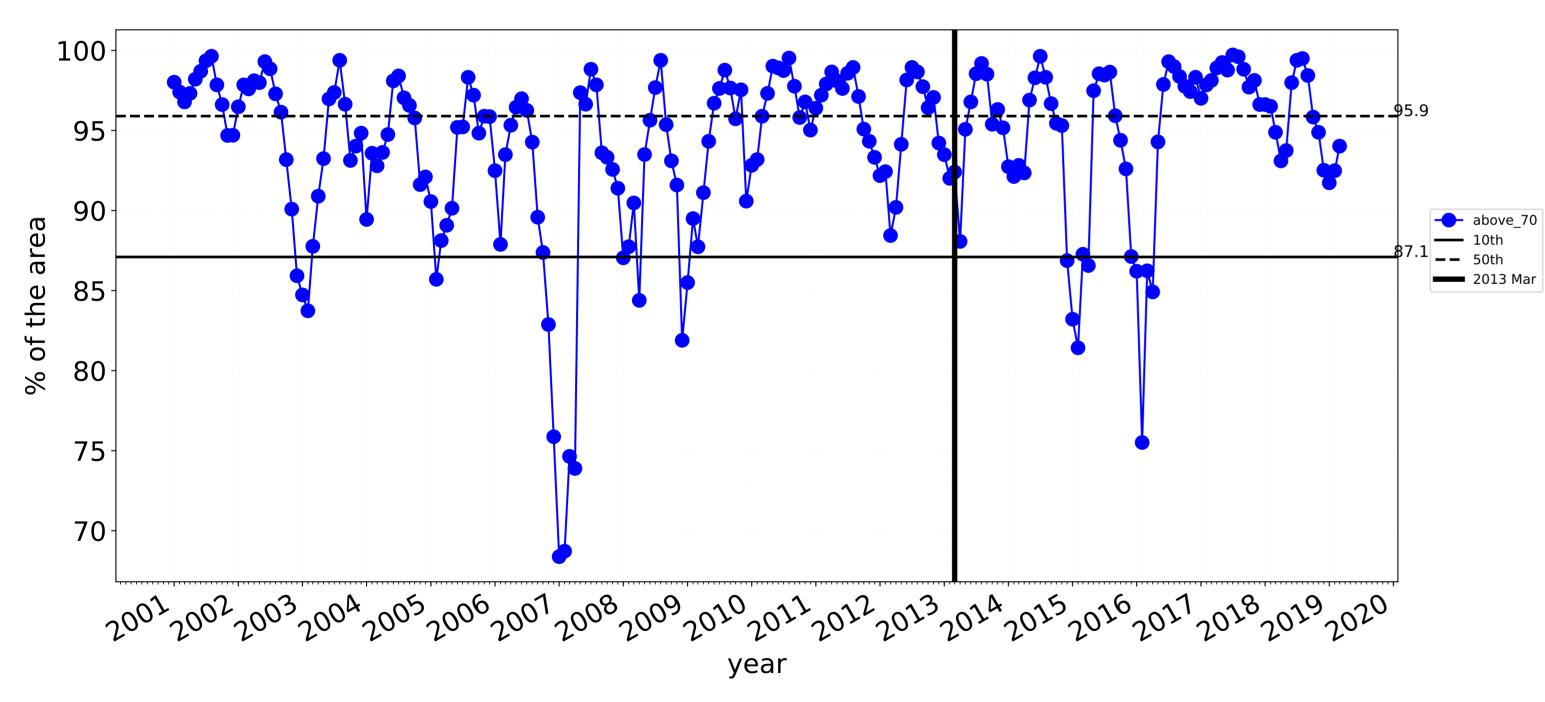
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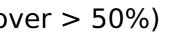




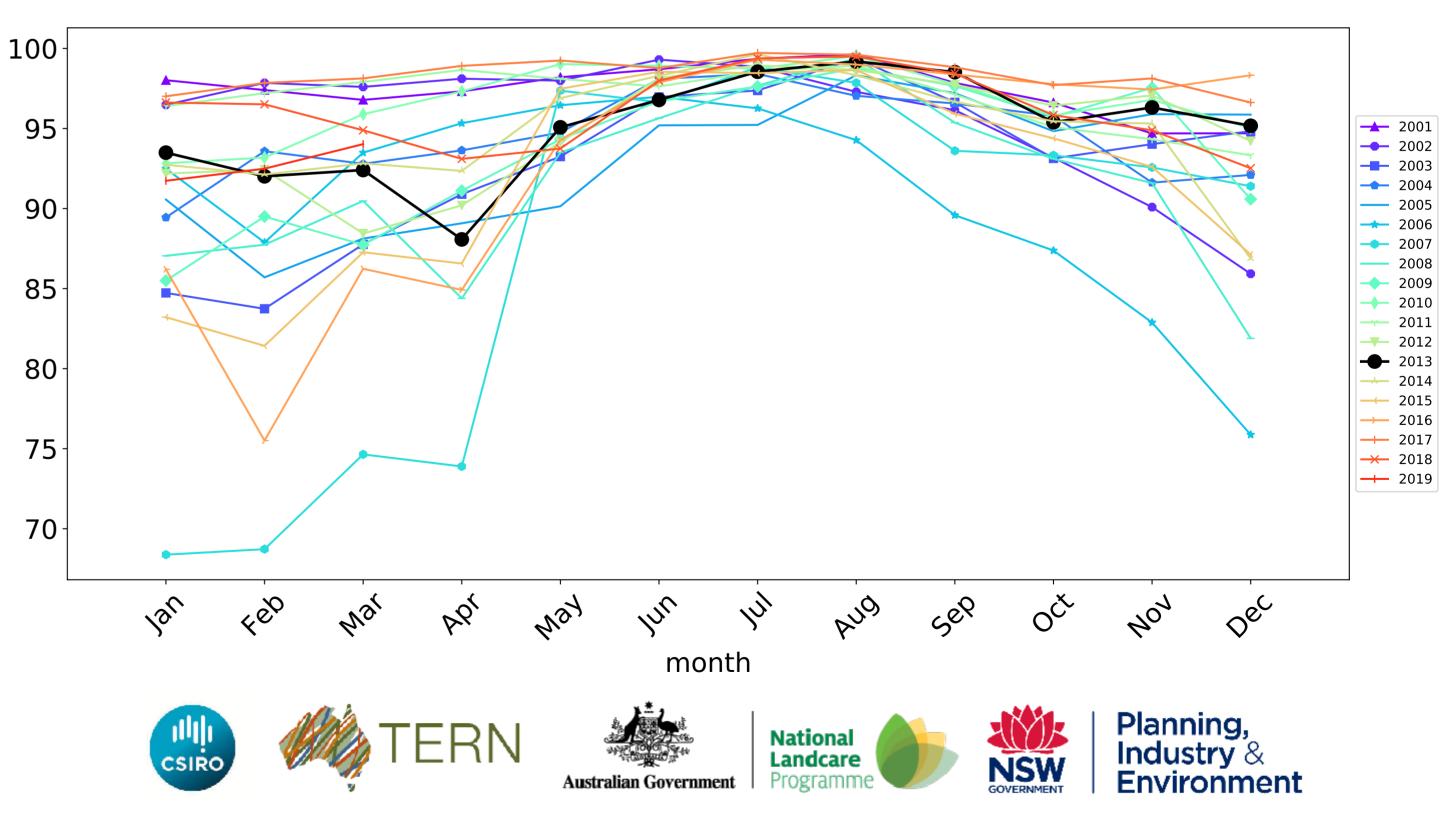
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

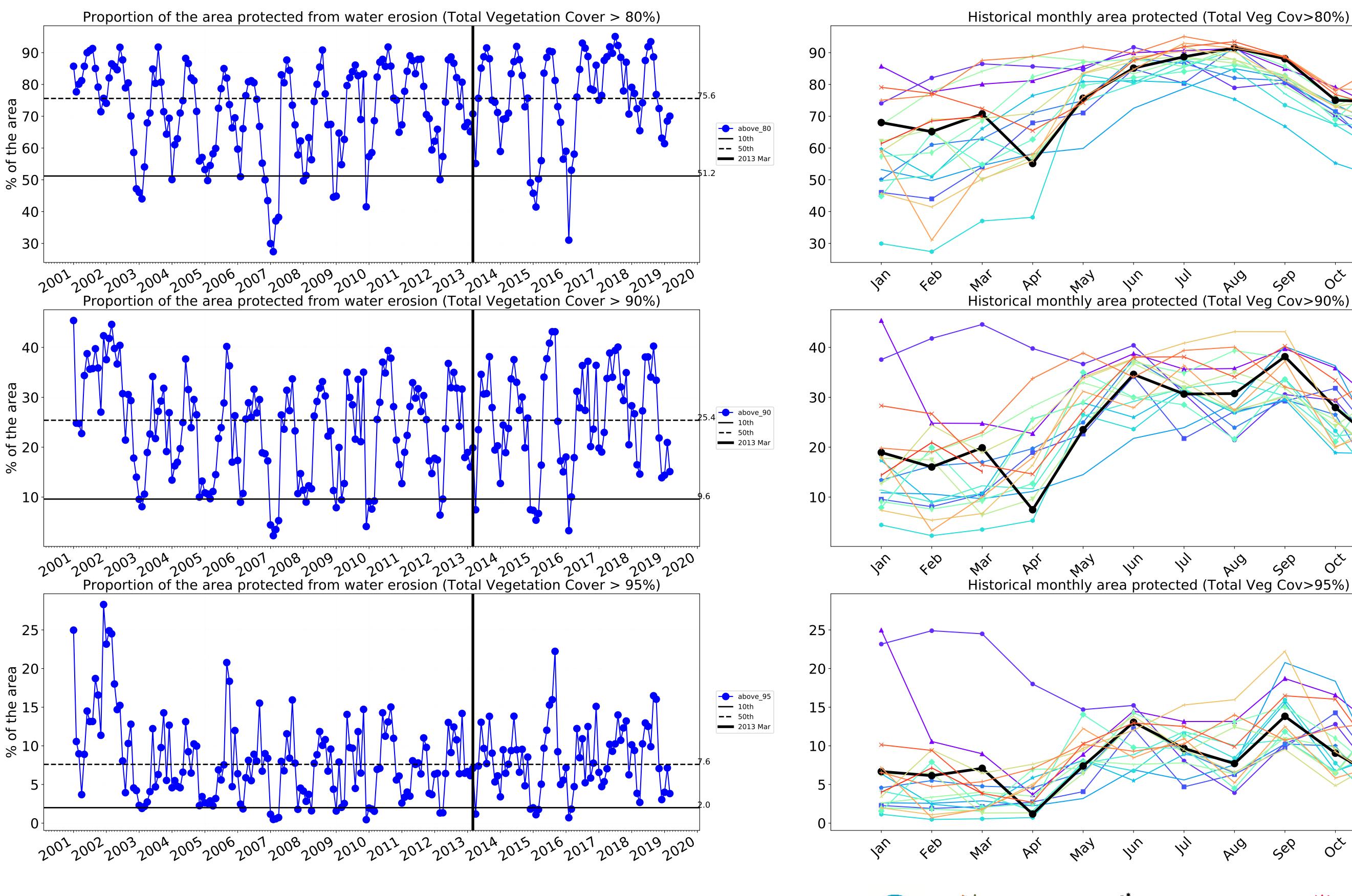




Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



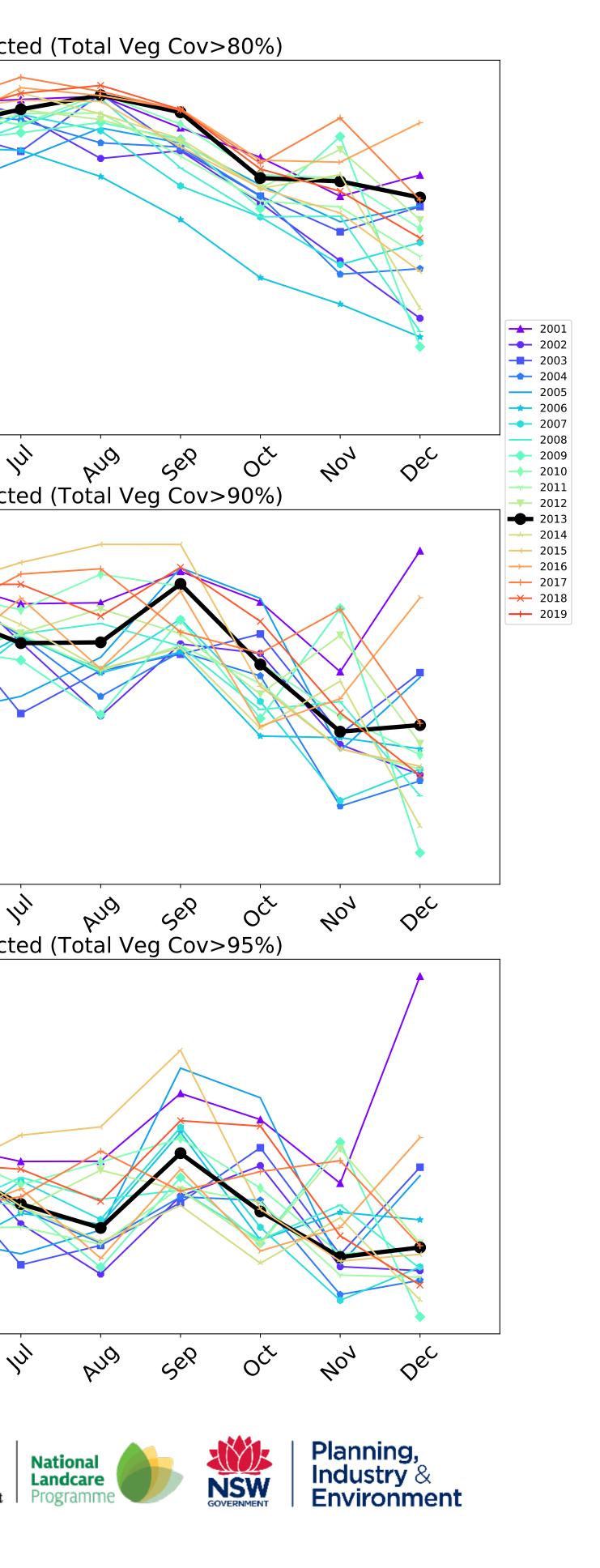
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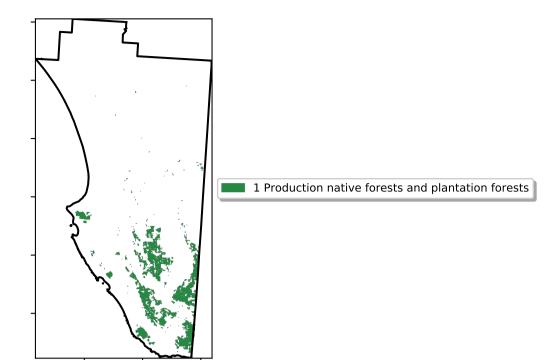


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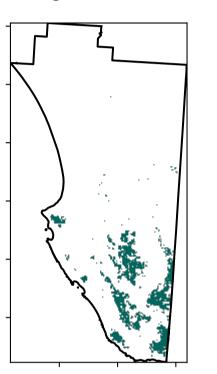
### **Production native forests and plantation forests**

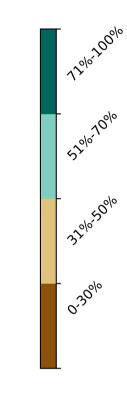
Land use and forest cover



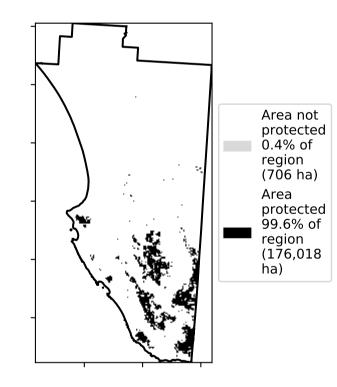


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

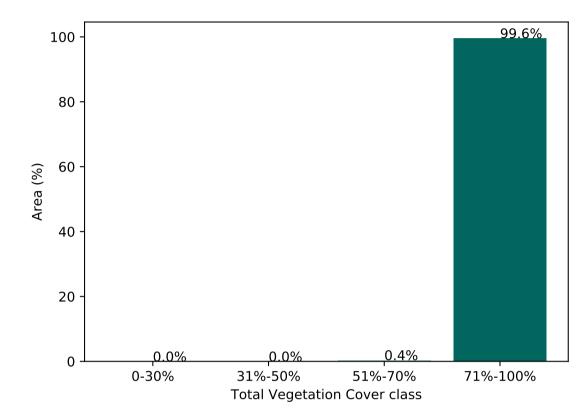




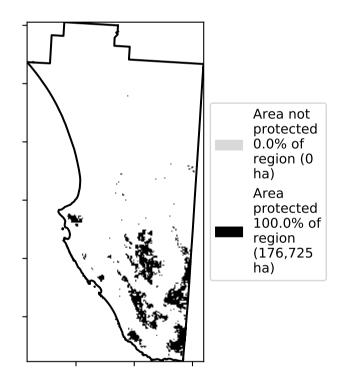
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



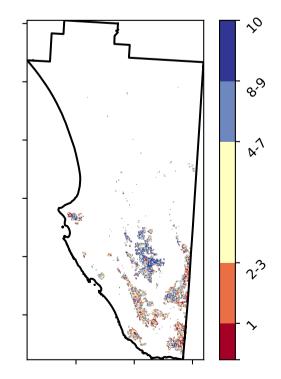
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

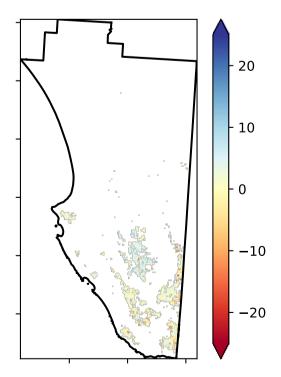


**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



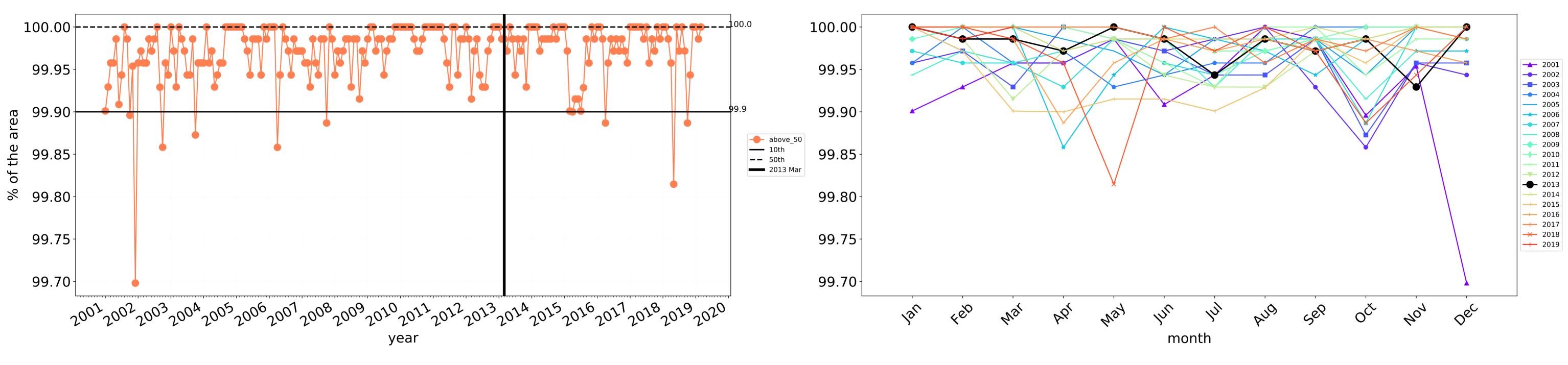
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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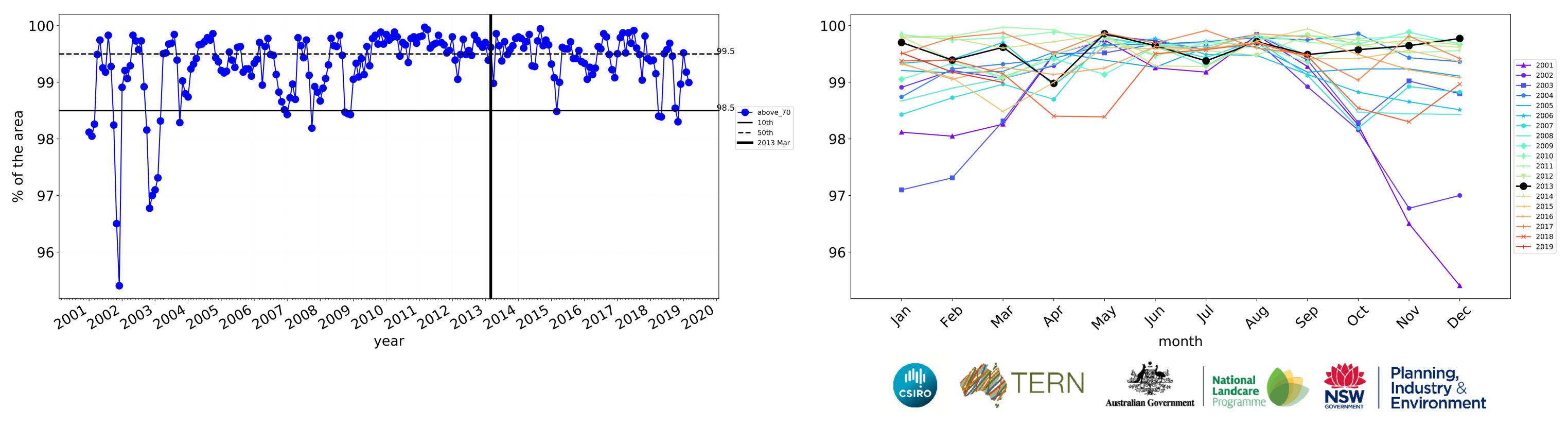
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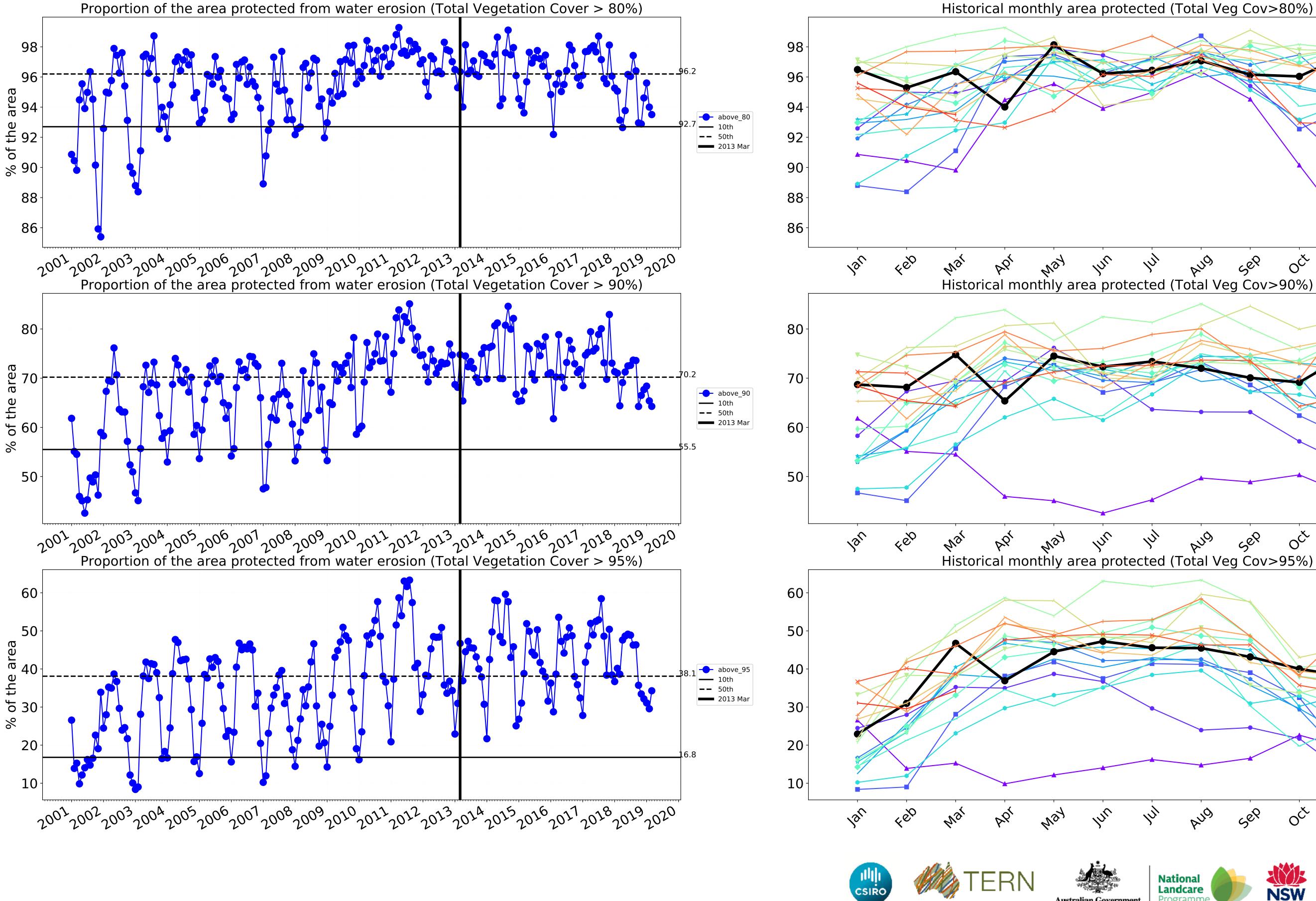
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



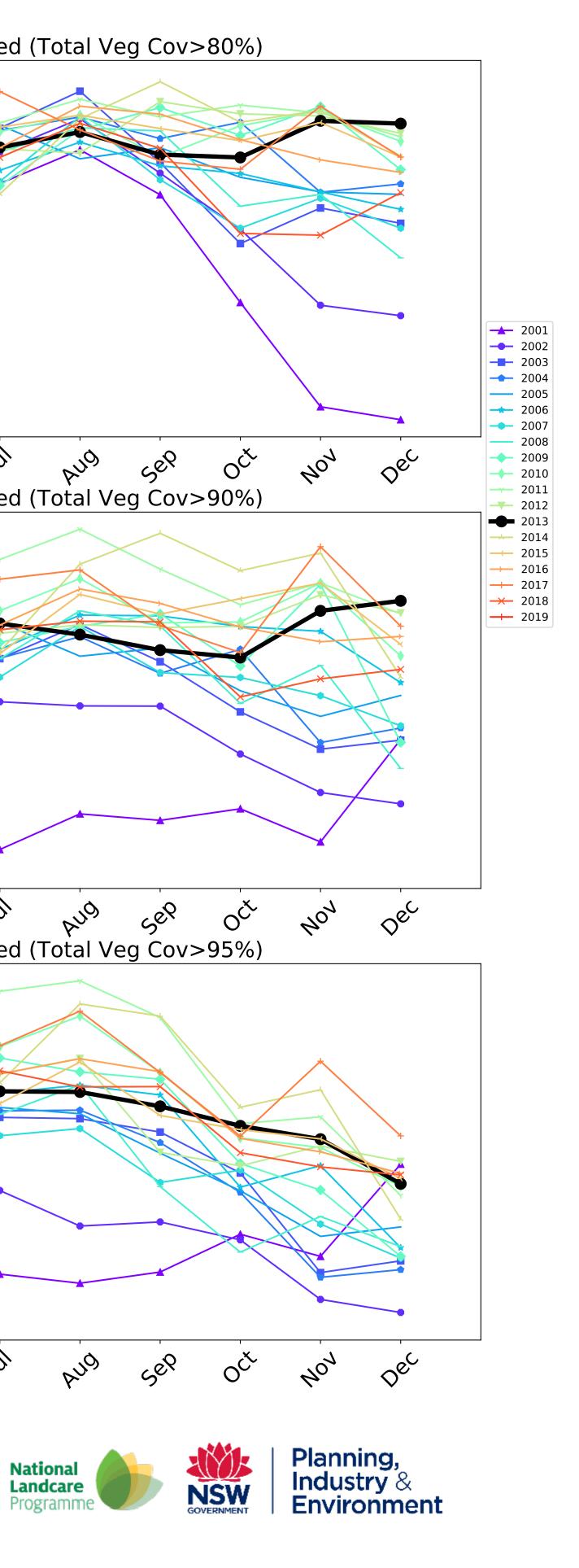


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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% 2,641,224	99.5% 2,629,598	93.2% 2,463,106	75.5% 1,995,432	32.1% 849,313	13.5% 355,987
Conservation and natural environments	329,075	99.9% 328,775	99.6% 327,775	96.0% 315,825	83.1% 273,450	26.6% 87,675	7.1% 23,425
Conservation and natural environments non forest	162,300	99.8% 162,000	99.3% 161,150	95.4% 154,775	80.4% 130,450	19.6% 31,825	5.3% 8,575
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	123,500	100.0% 123,500	100.0% 123,450	96.4% 119,075	86.2% 106,500	35.3% 43,575	10.2% 12,625
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	43,275	100.0% 43,275	99.8% 43,175	97.0% 41,975	84.3% 36,500	28.4% 12,275	5.1% 2,225
Agriculture	2,005,075	100.0% 2,004,550	99.5% 1,994,400	92.2% 1,848,075	72.3% 1,449,975	29.2% 584,850	11.4% 227,775
Grazing	1,648,025	100.0% 1,647,500	99.4% 1,638,750	92.4% 1,523,400	74.3% 1,223,800	30.8% 506,875	11.7% 193,175
Grazing non forest	1,640,425	100.0% 1,639,900	99.4% 1,631,175	92.4% 1,516,075	74.2% 1,216,925	30.7% 503,000	11.7% 192,075
Cropping	265,950	100.0% 265,950	99.7% 265,150	90.4% 240,425	60.8% 161,700	22.6% 60,025	10.6% 28,250
Irrigation	89,550	100.0% 89,550	99.3% 88,950	92.4% 82,750	70.7% 63,350	19.9% 17,800	7.1% 6,350
Production native forests and plantation forests	176,725	100.0% 176,725	100.0% 176,700	99.6% 176,050	96.4% 170,275	74.8% 132,175	46.7% 82,575

