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

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:

Date: January 2014

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 cover class that 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 Jan 2014**

#### Land use and forest cover

#### Legend with land class forest cover and number, i.e. Forests is 12 1 Conservation and natural environments -2 Conservation and natural environments -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 13 Other uses

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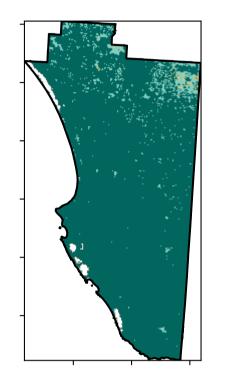
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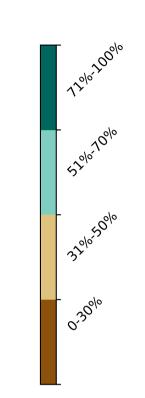
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Land Use and Forests

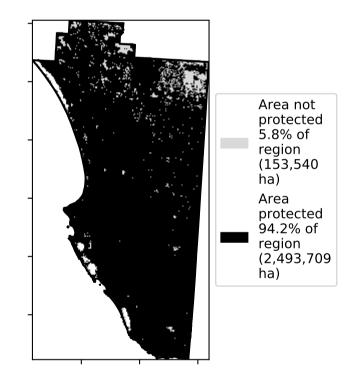
Catchment Scale

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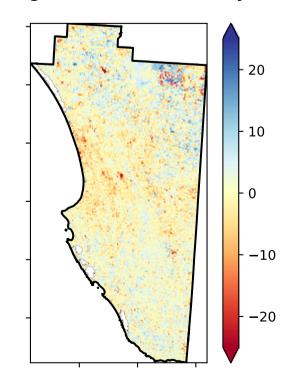




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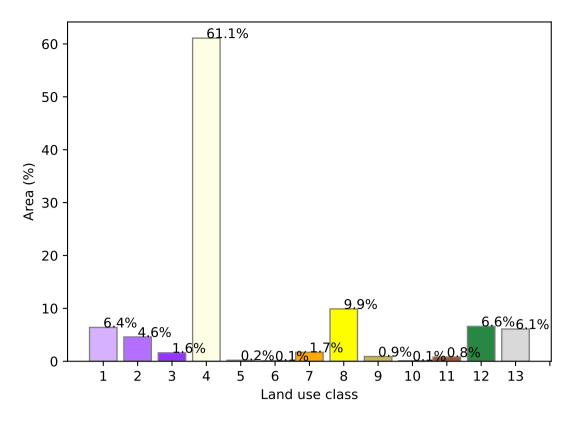




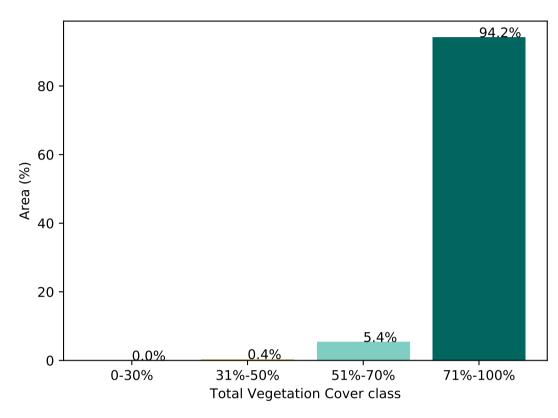


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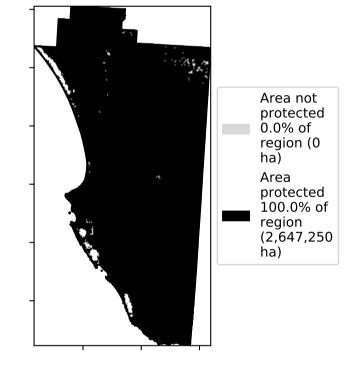
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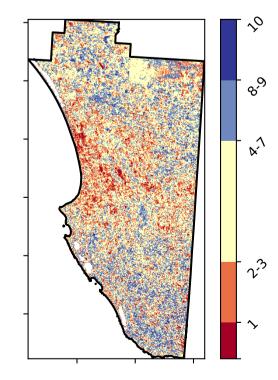
#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



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





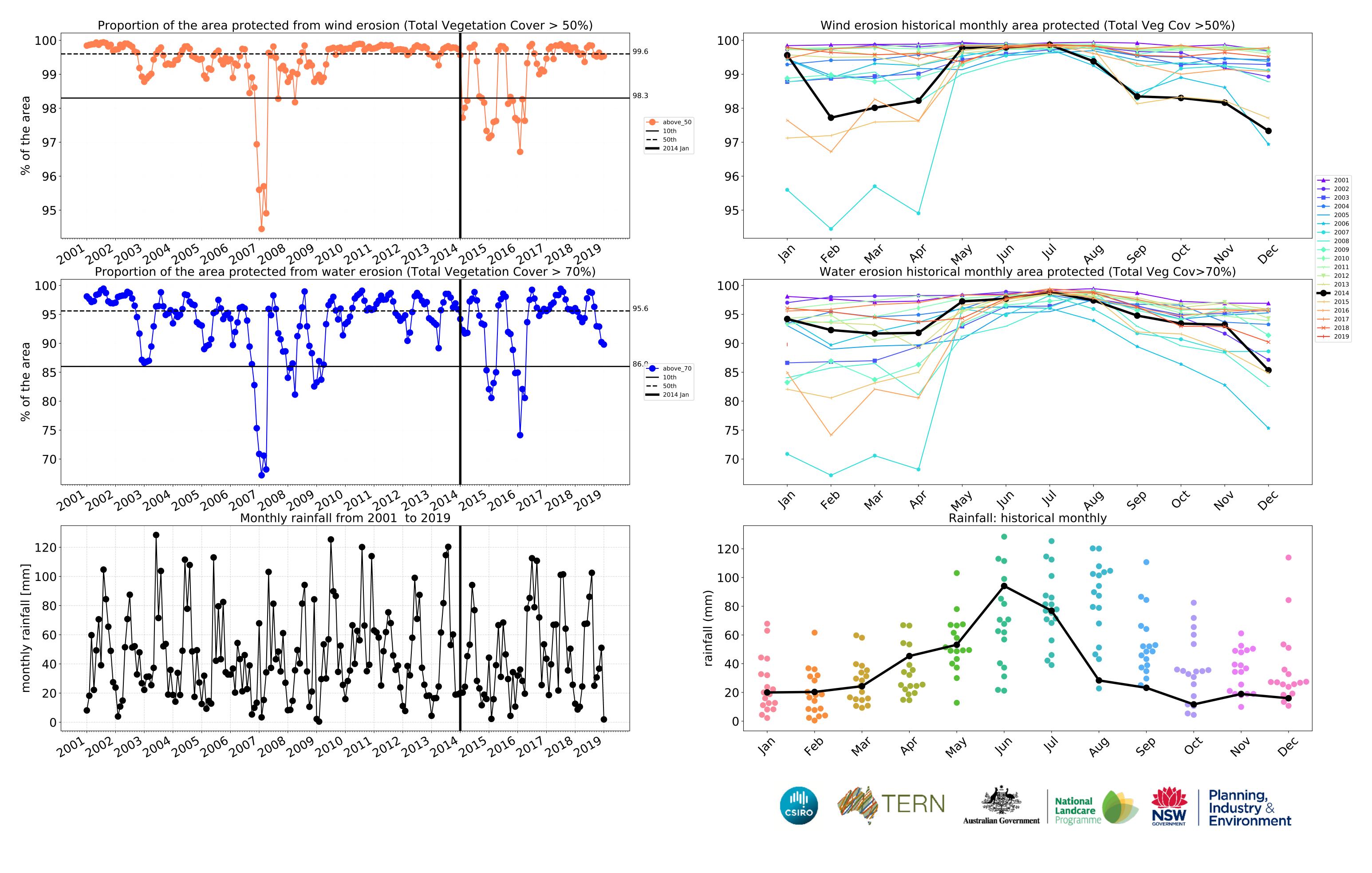


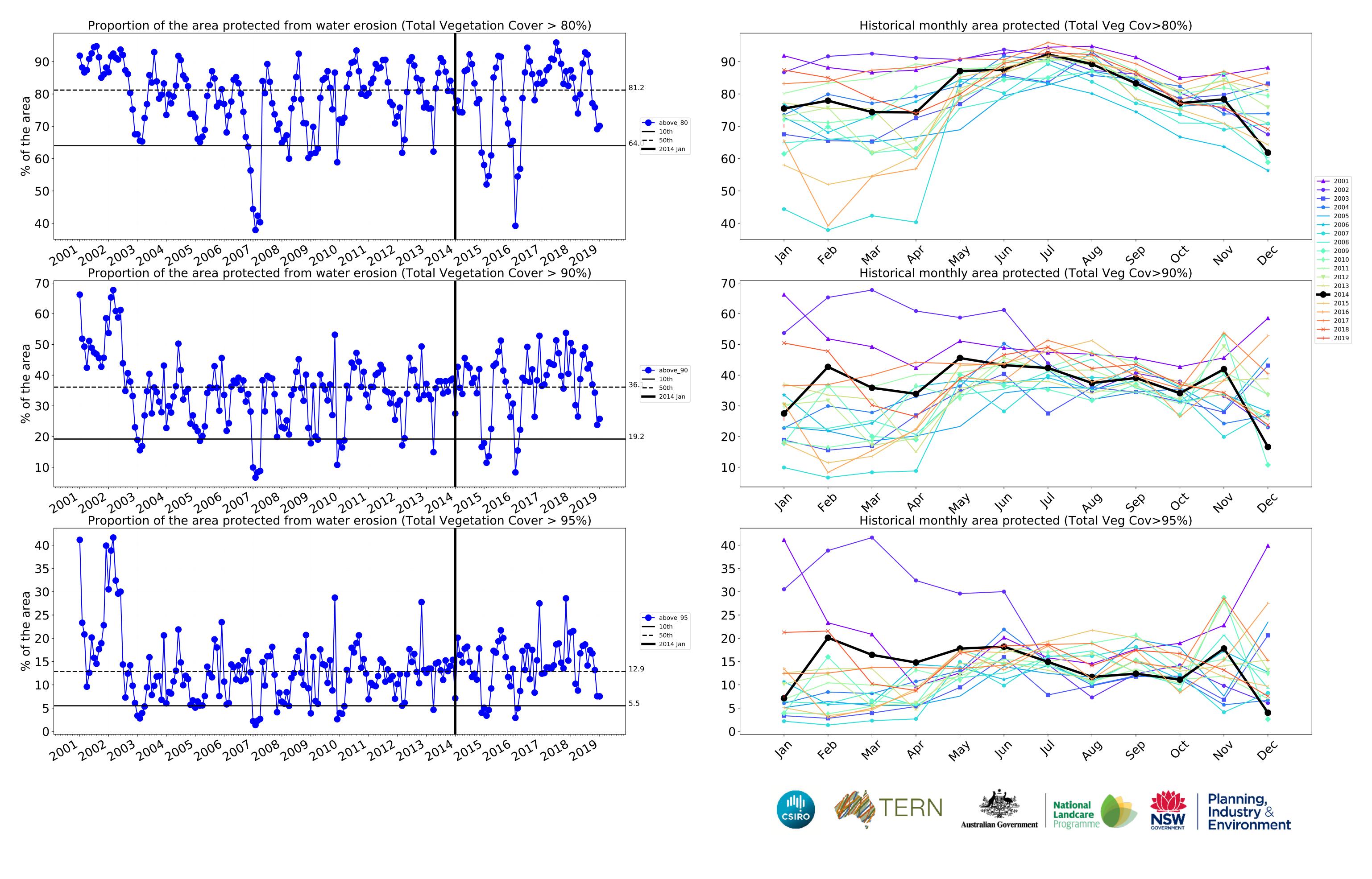








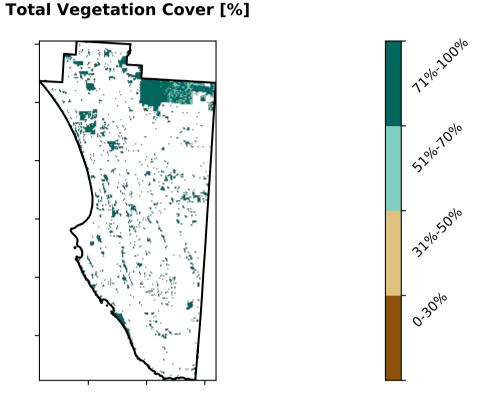




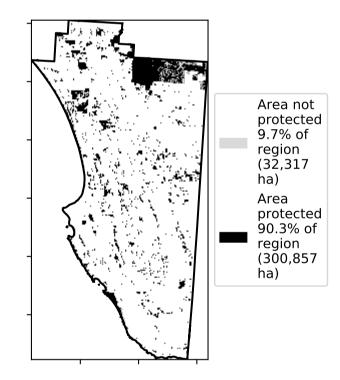
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#### Land use and forest cover

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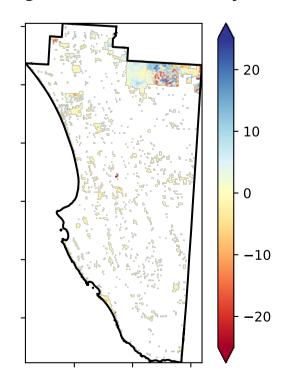
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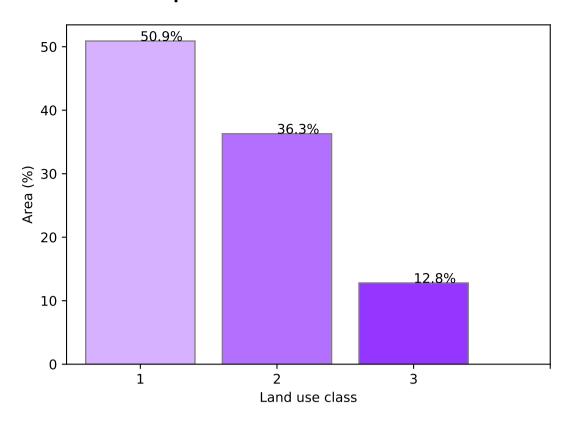
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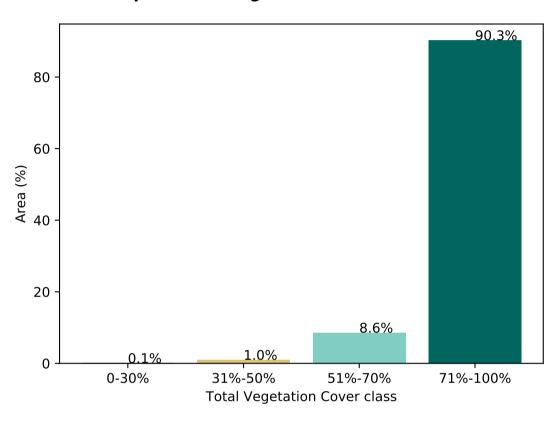


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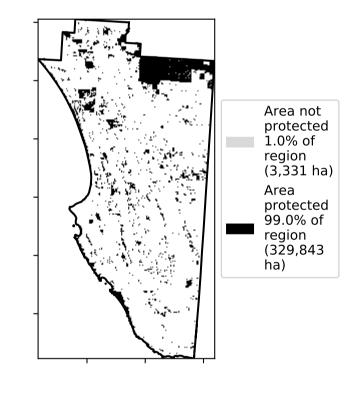
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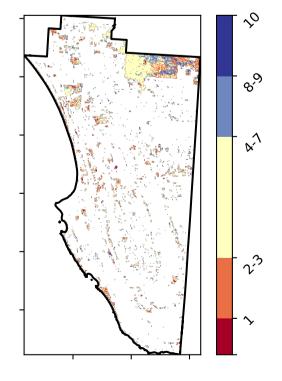
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#### **Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]**







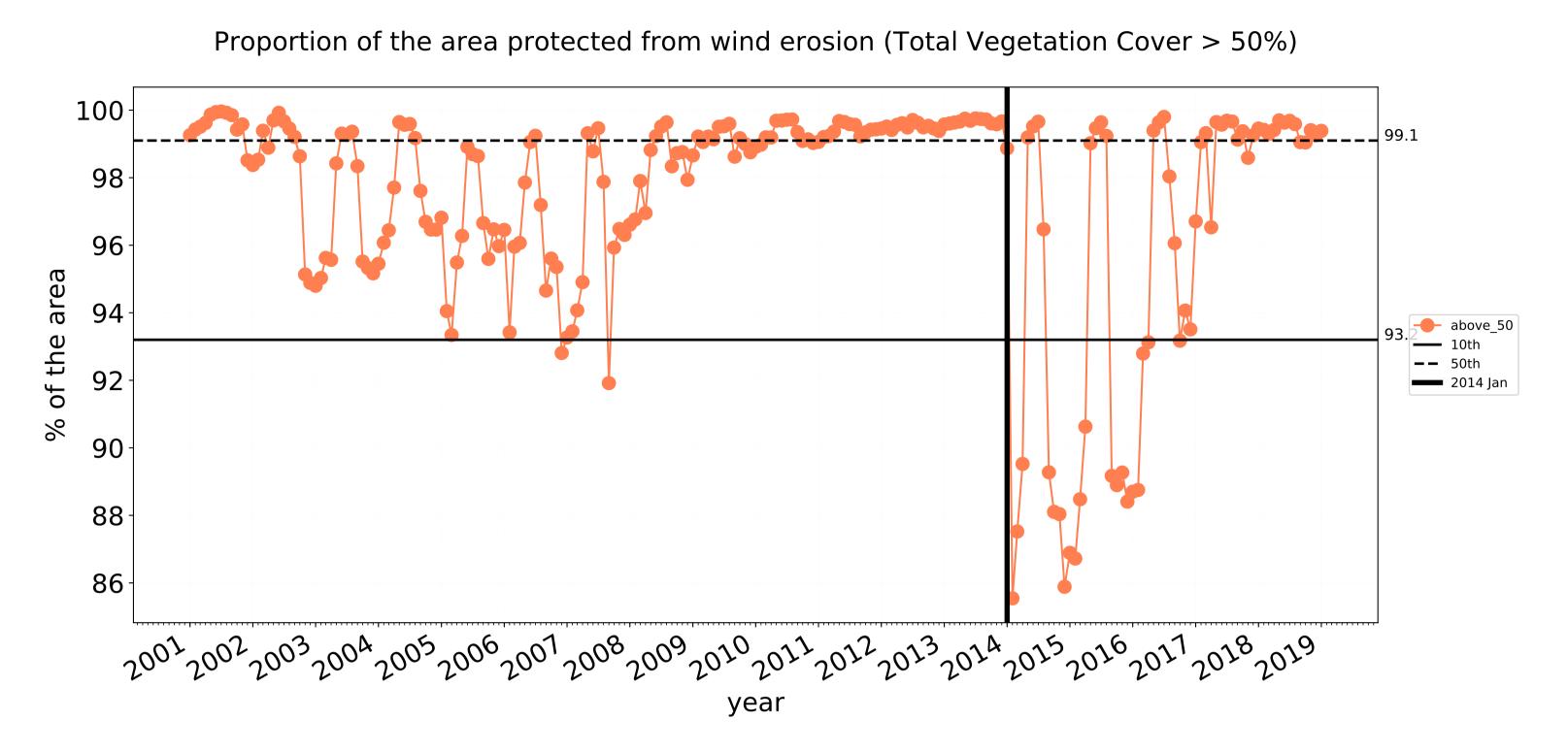


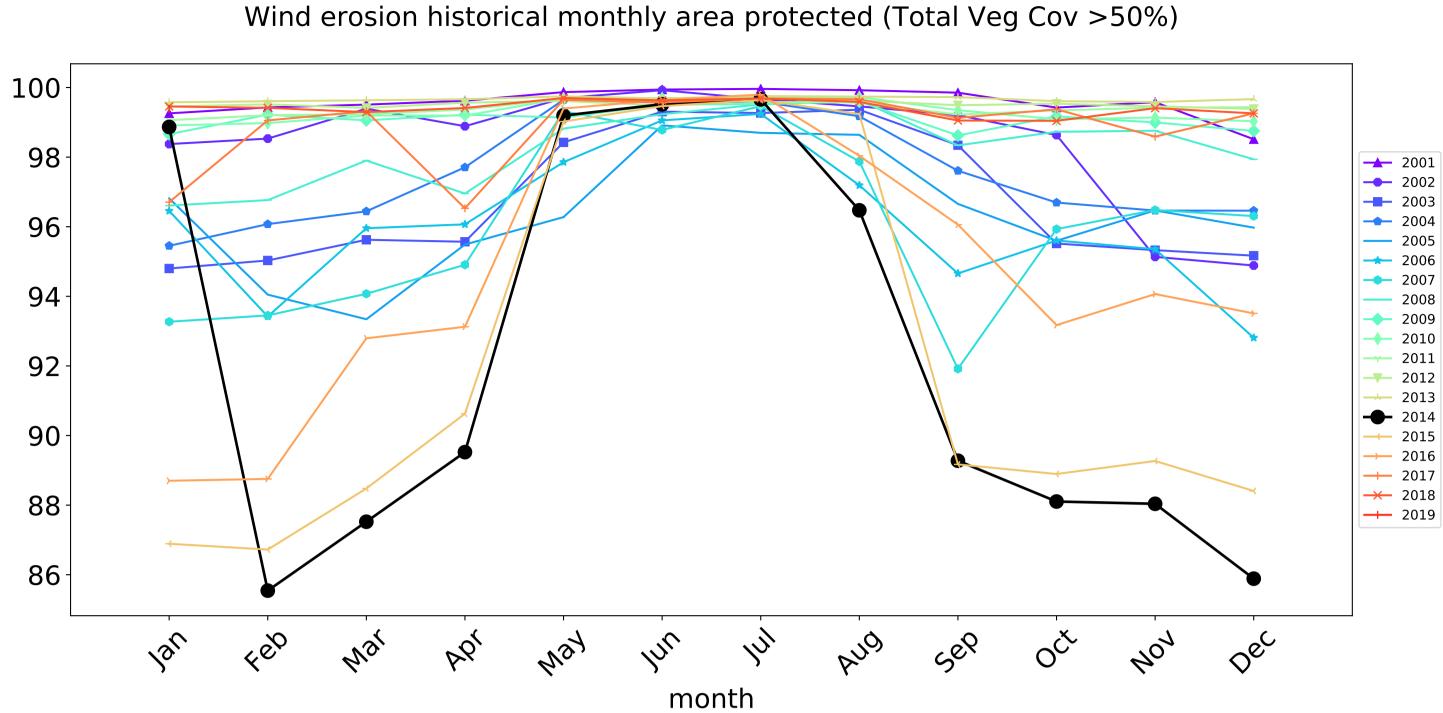


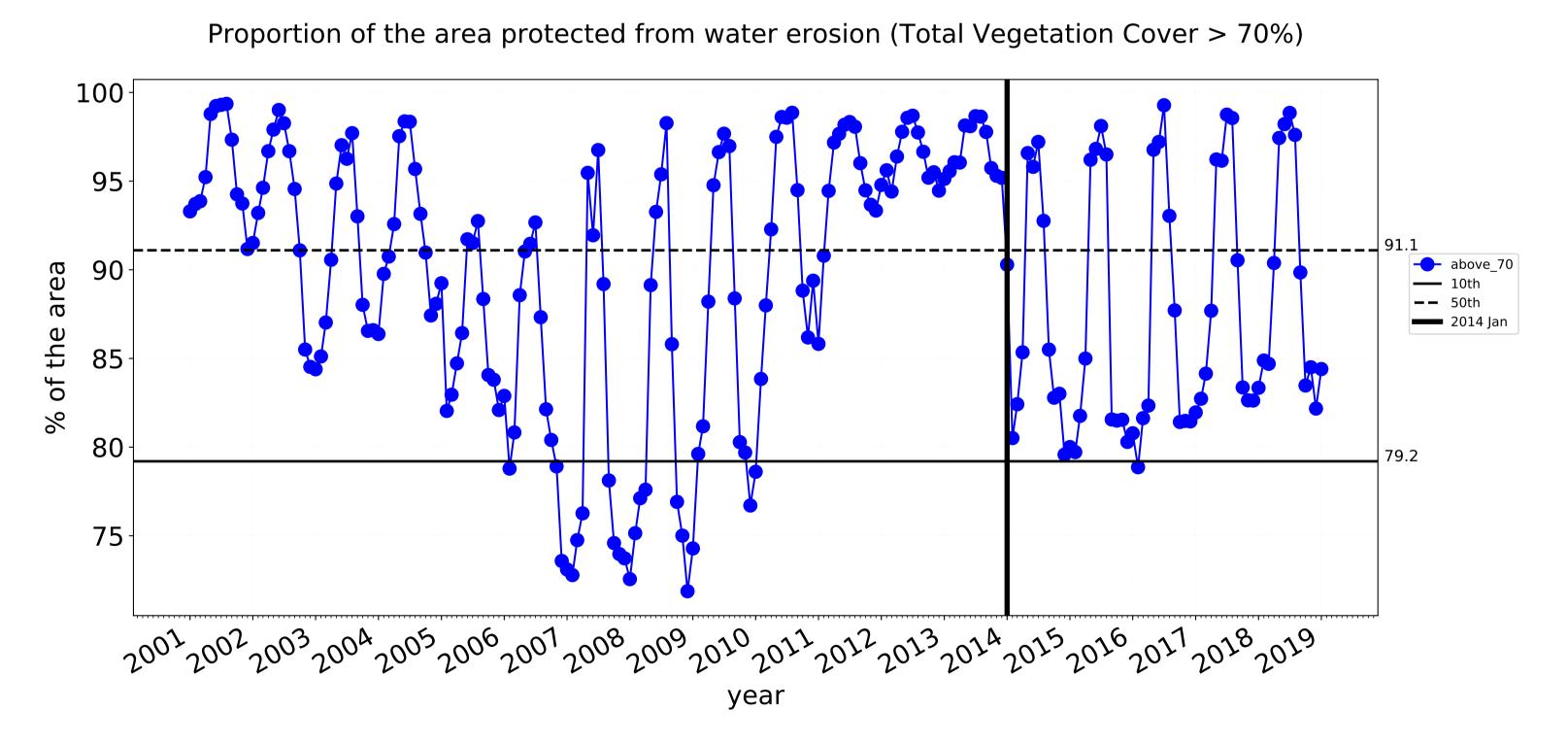


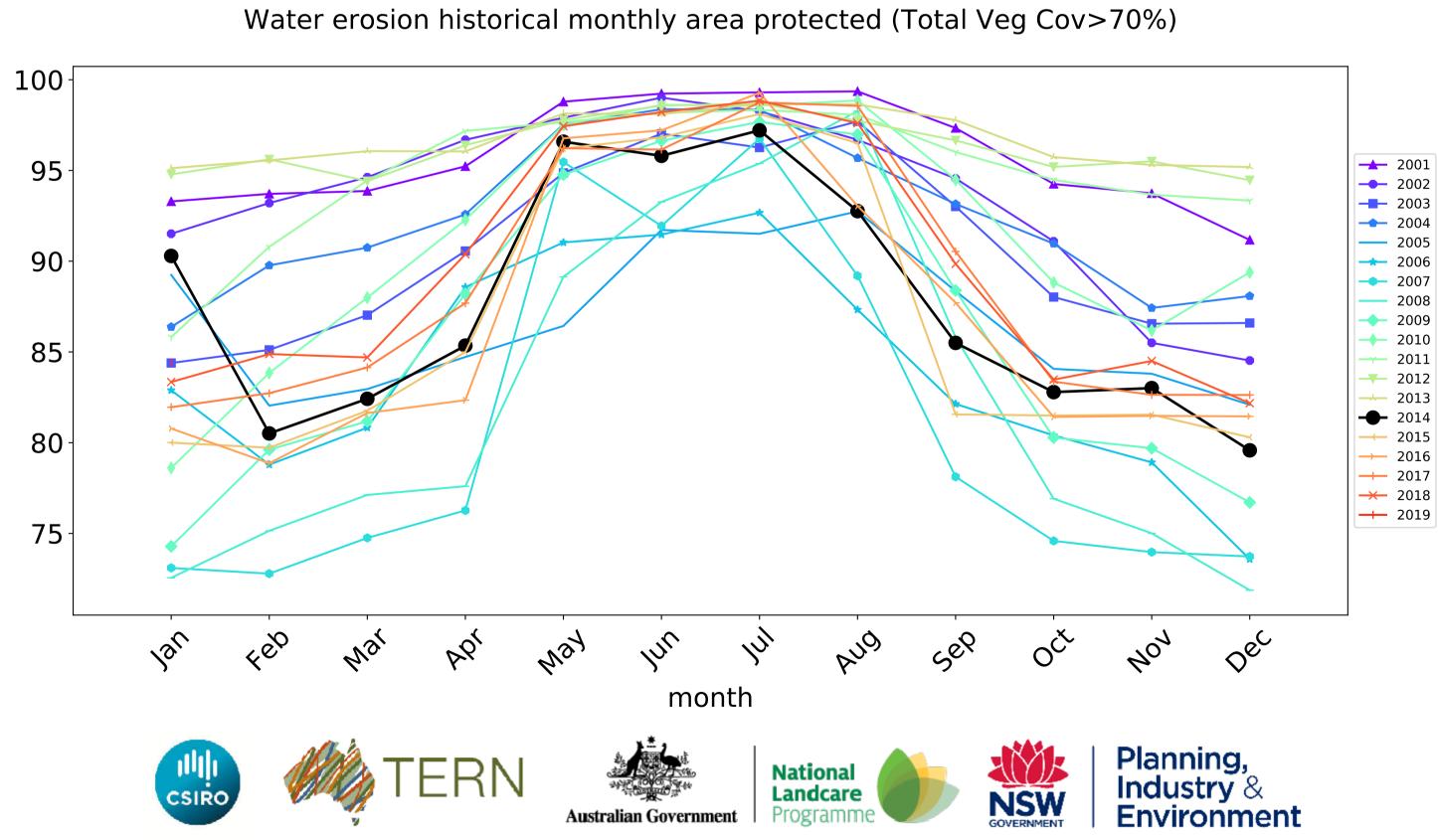


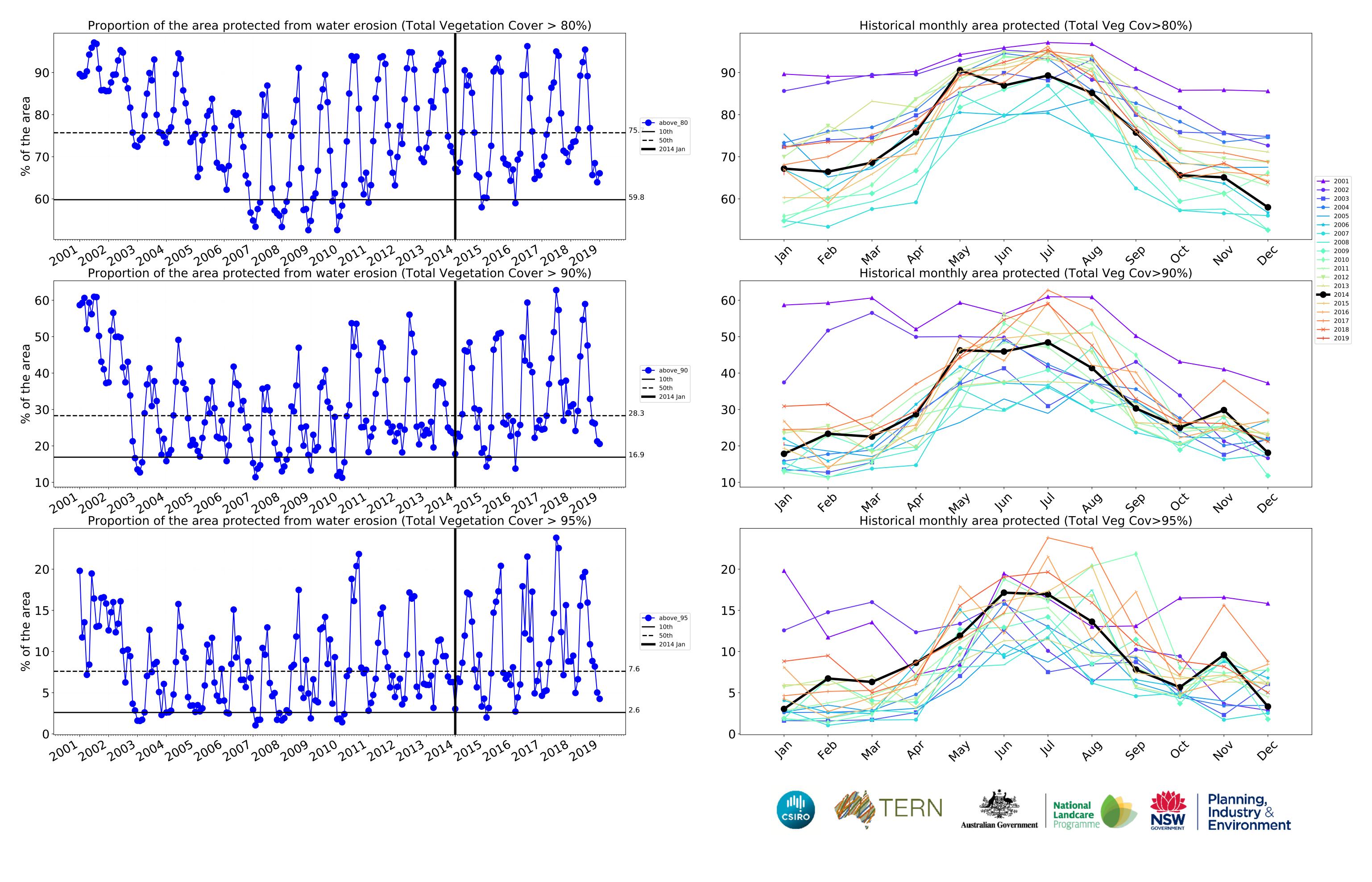
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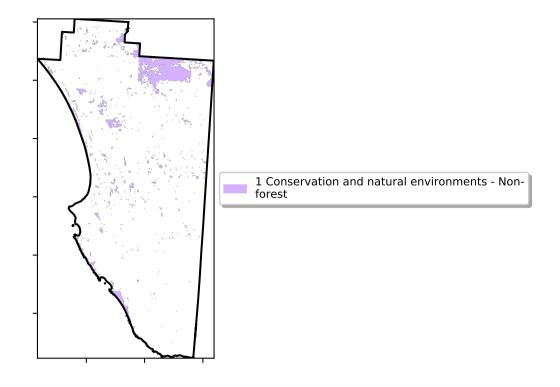




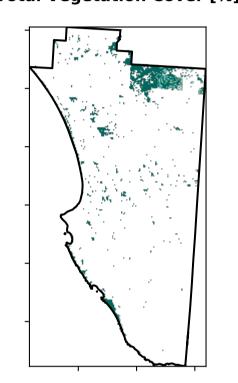
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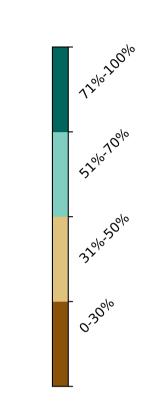
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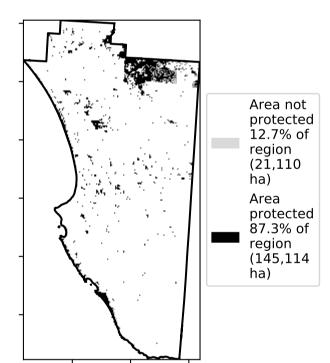




# 80 -60 -(%) Bull 40 -20 -

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

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



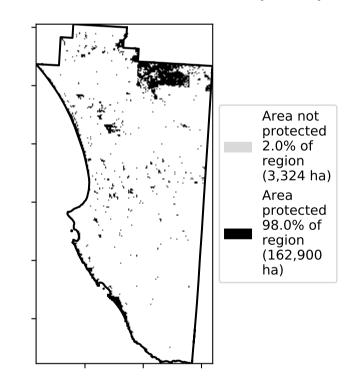
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**Total Vegetation Cover class** 

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31%-50%

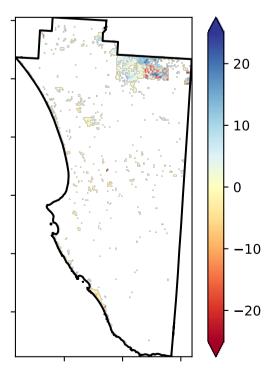
0-30%



51%-70%

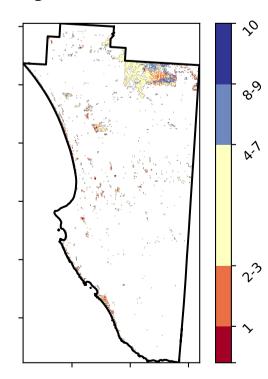
71%-100%

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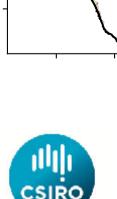


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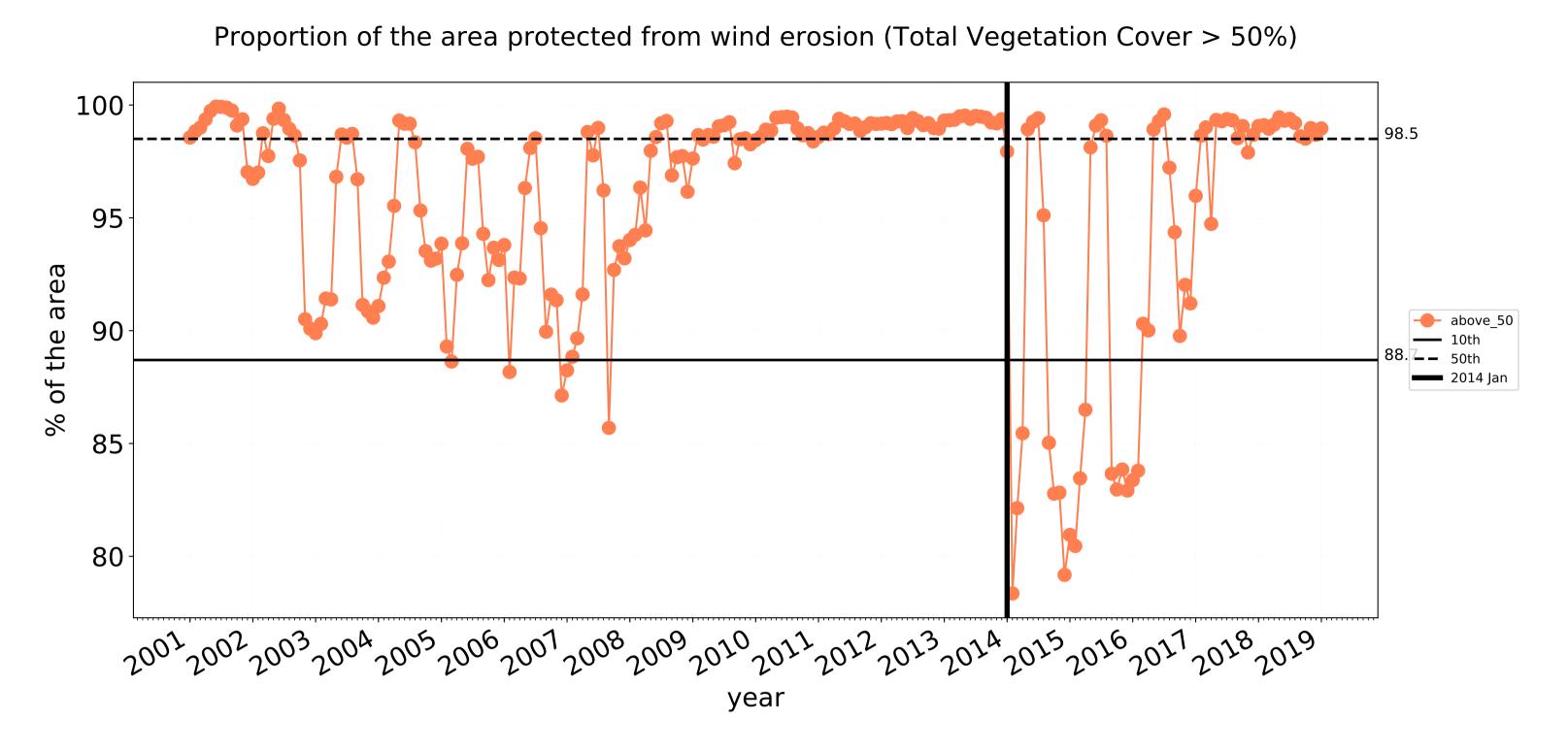


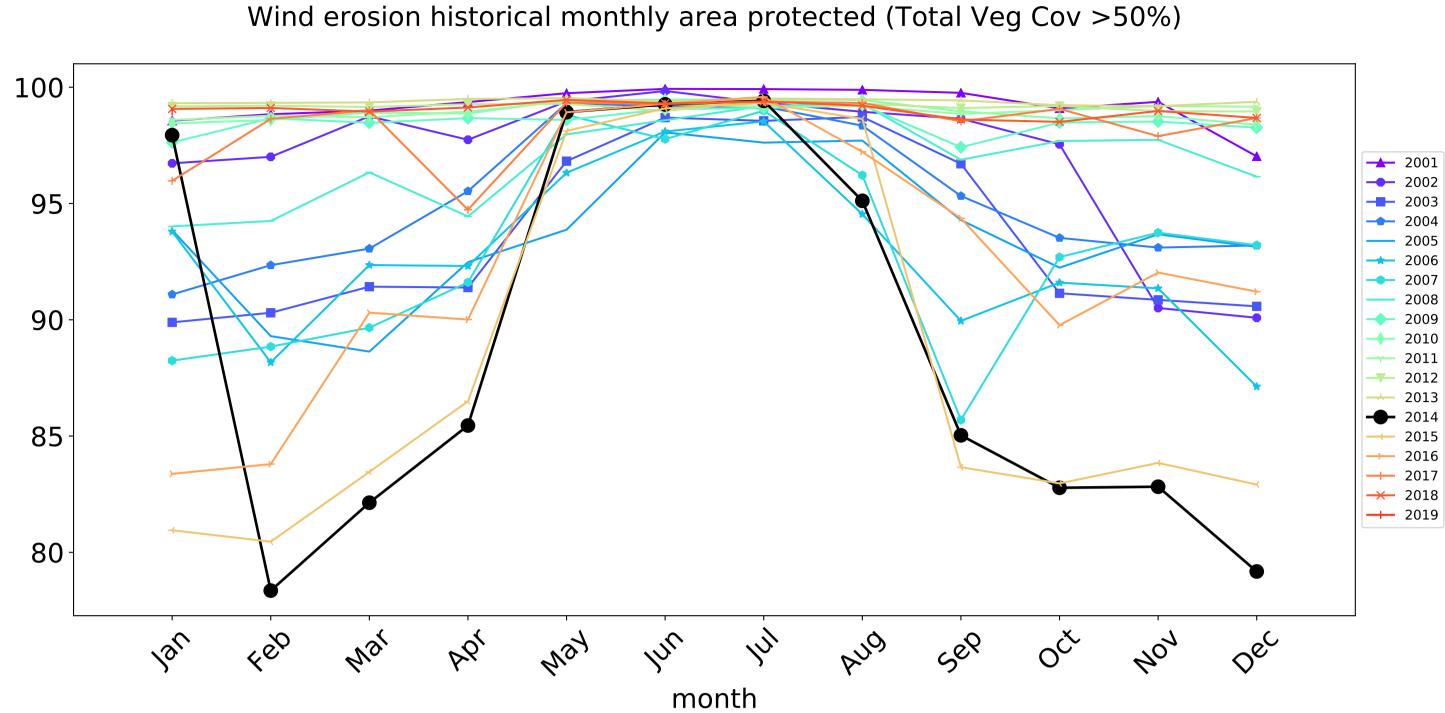


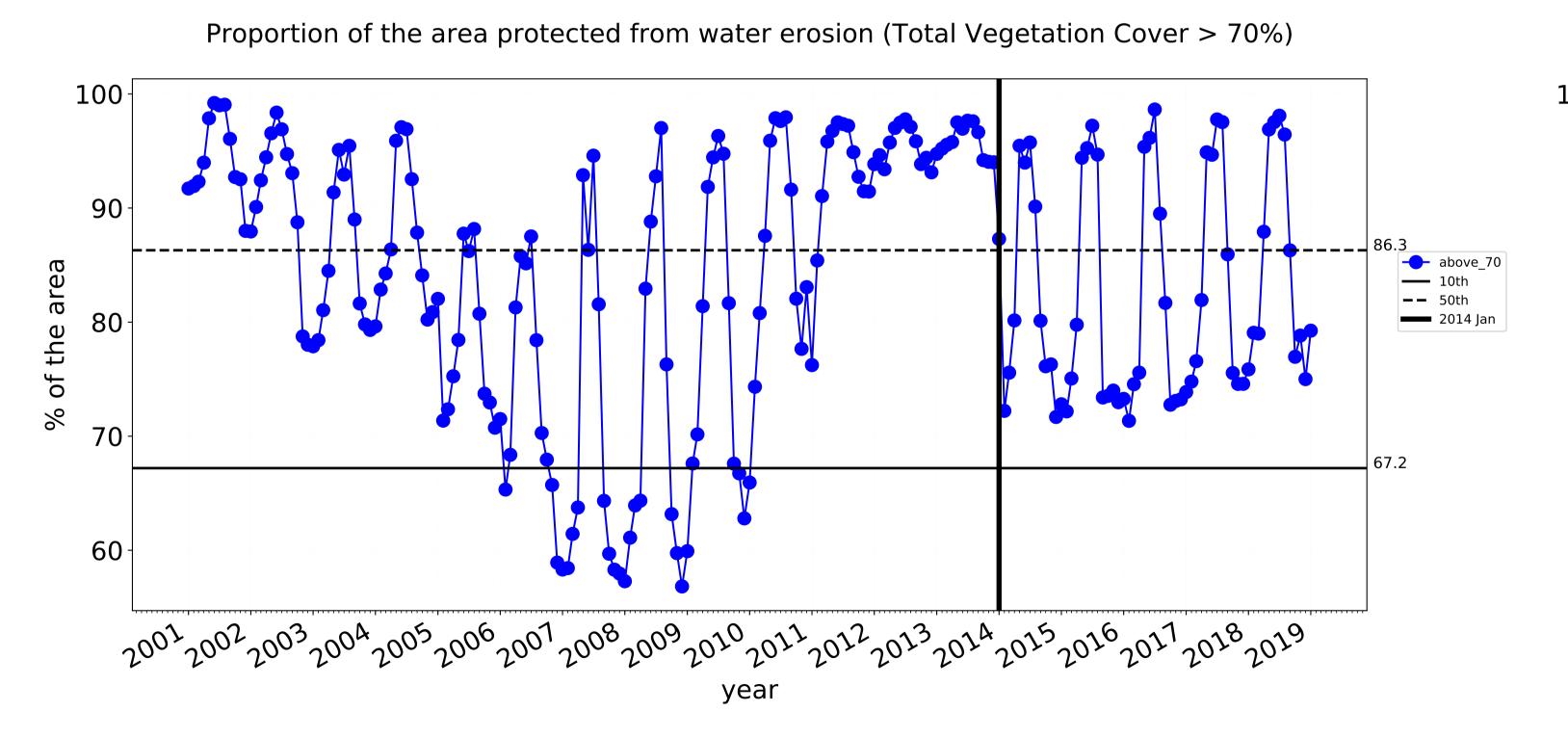


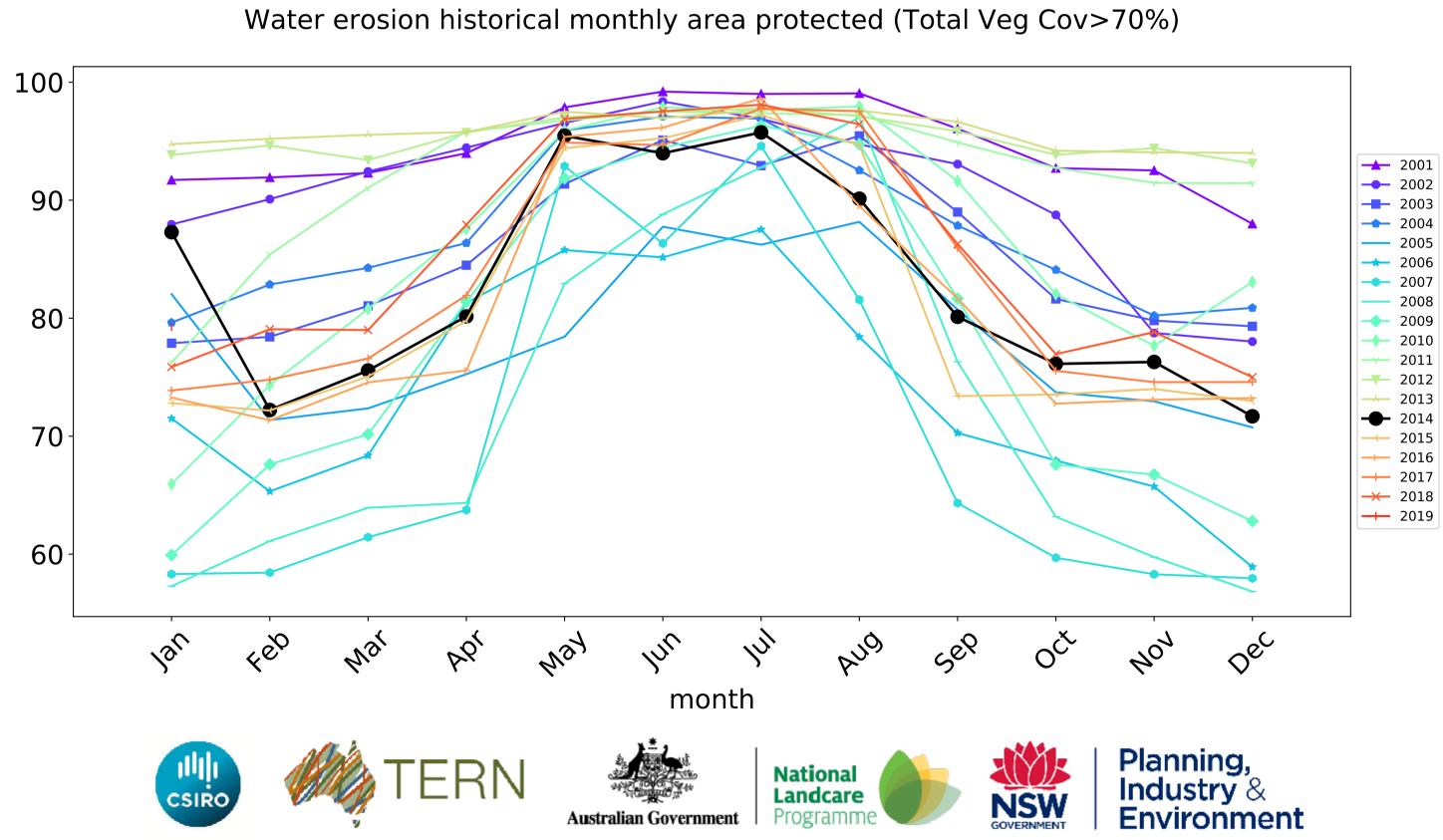


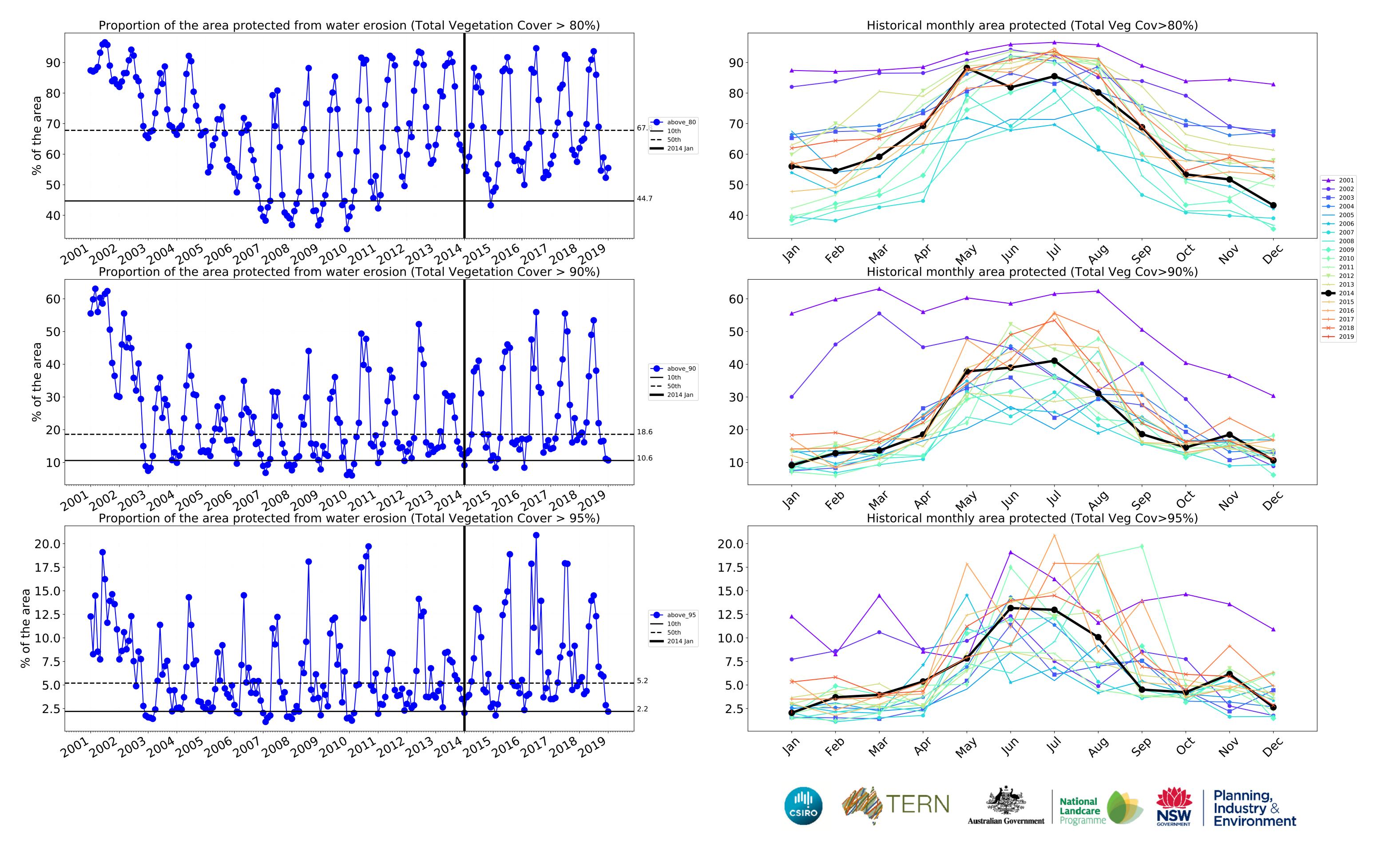
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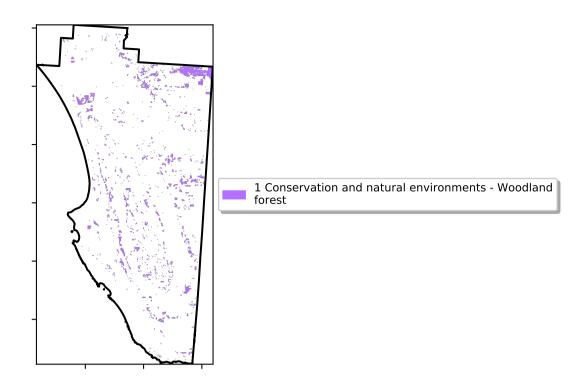




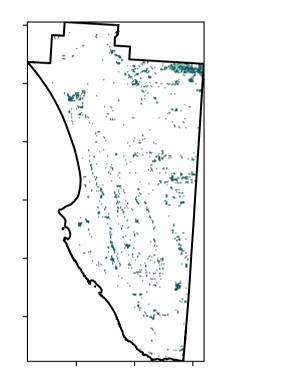
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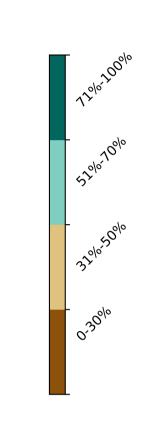
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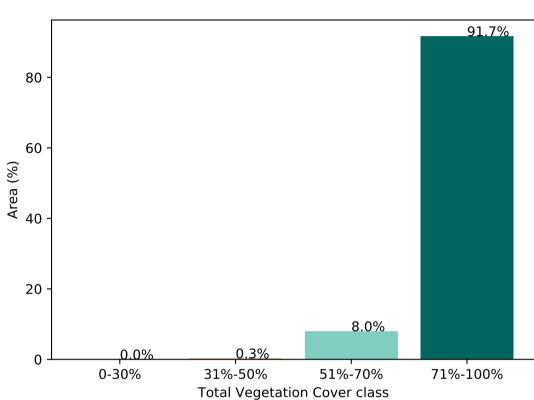


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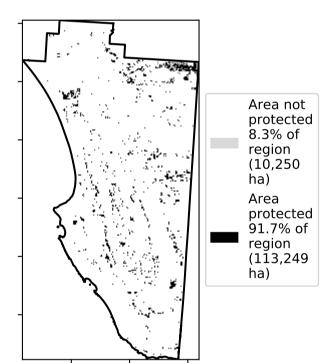




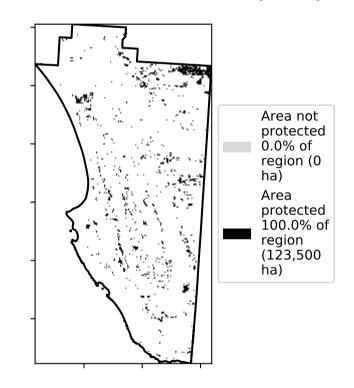
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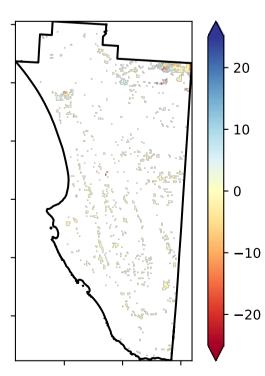
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

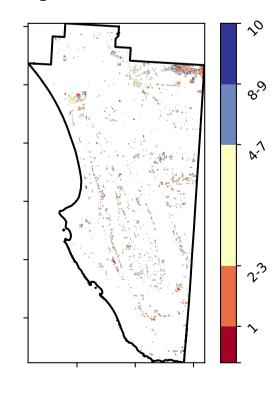


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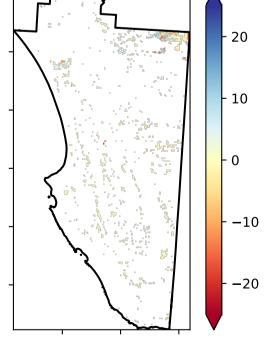


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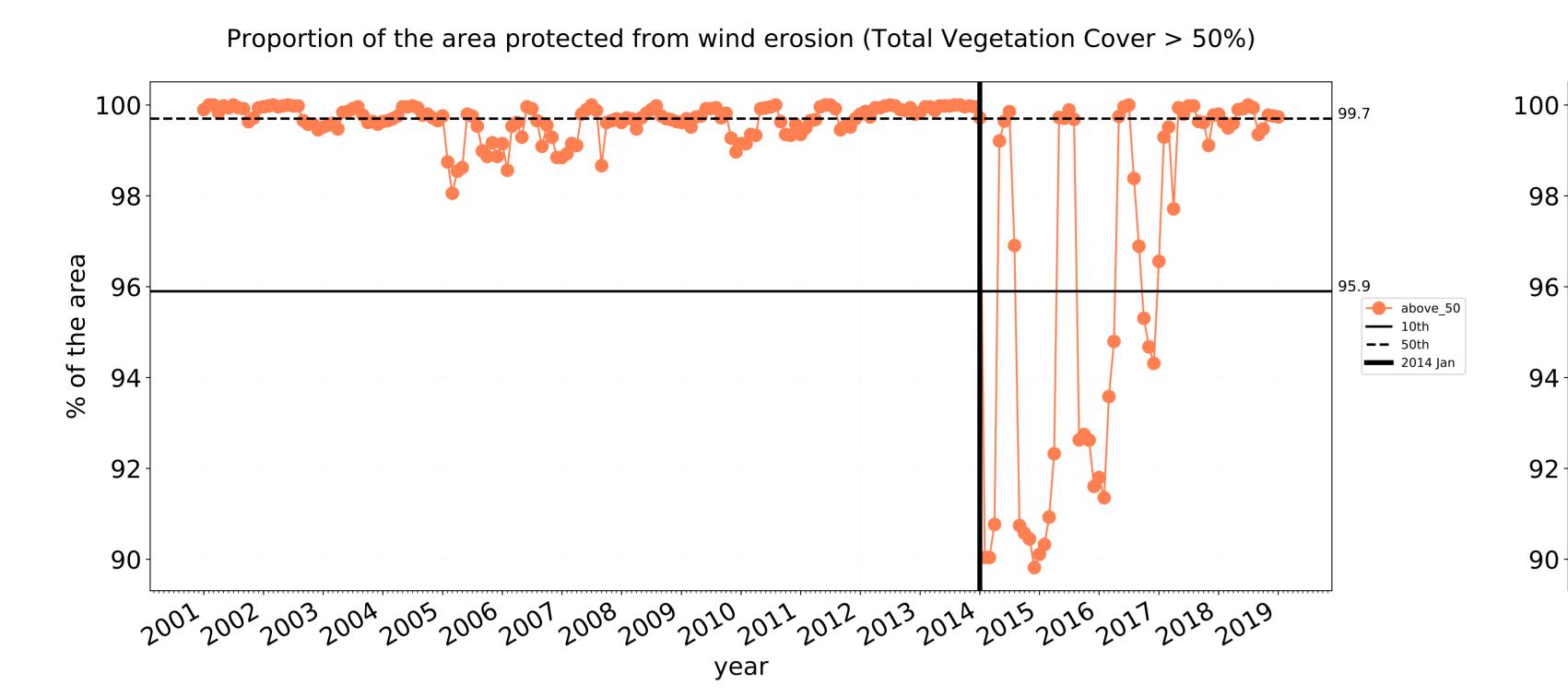


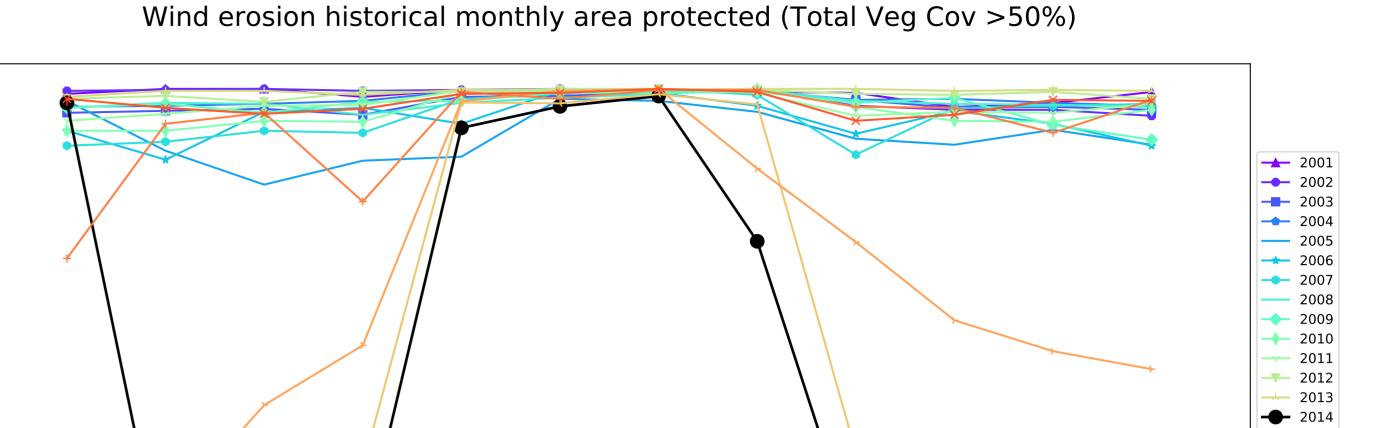






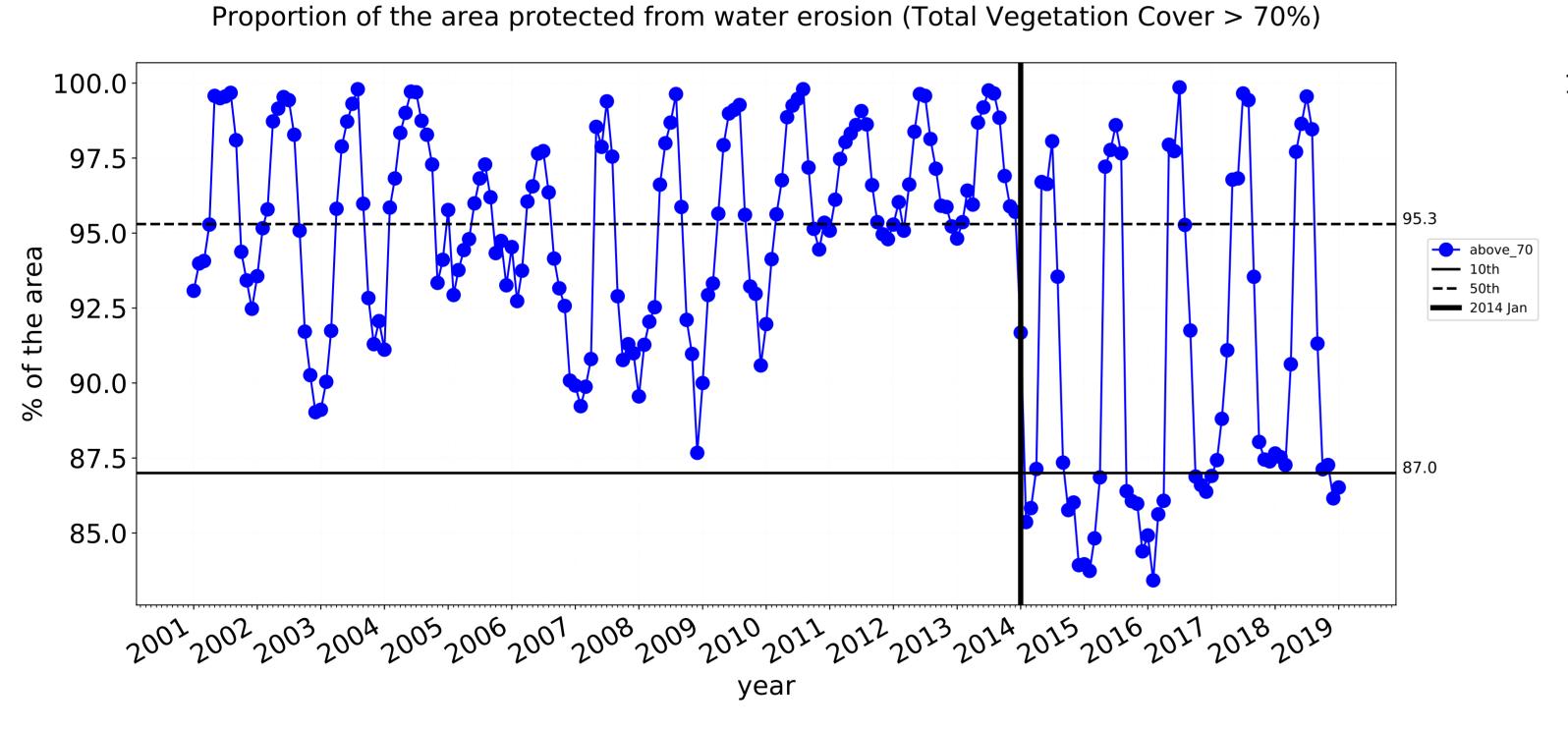


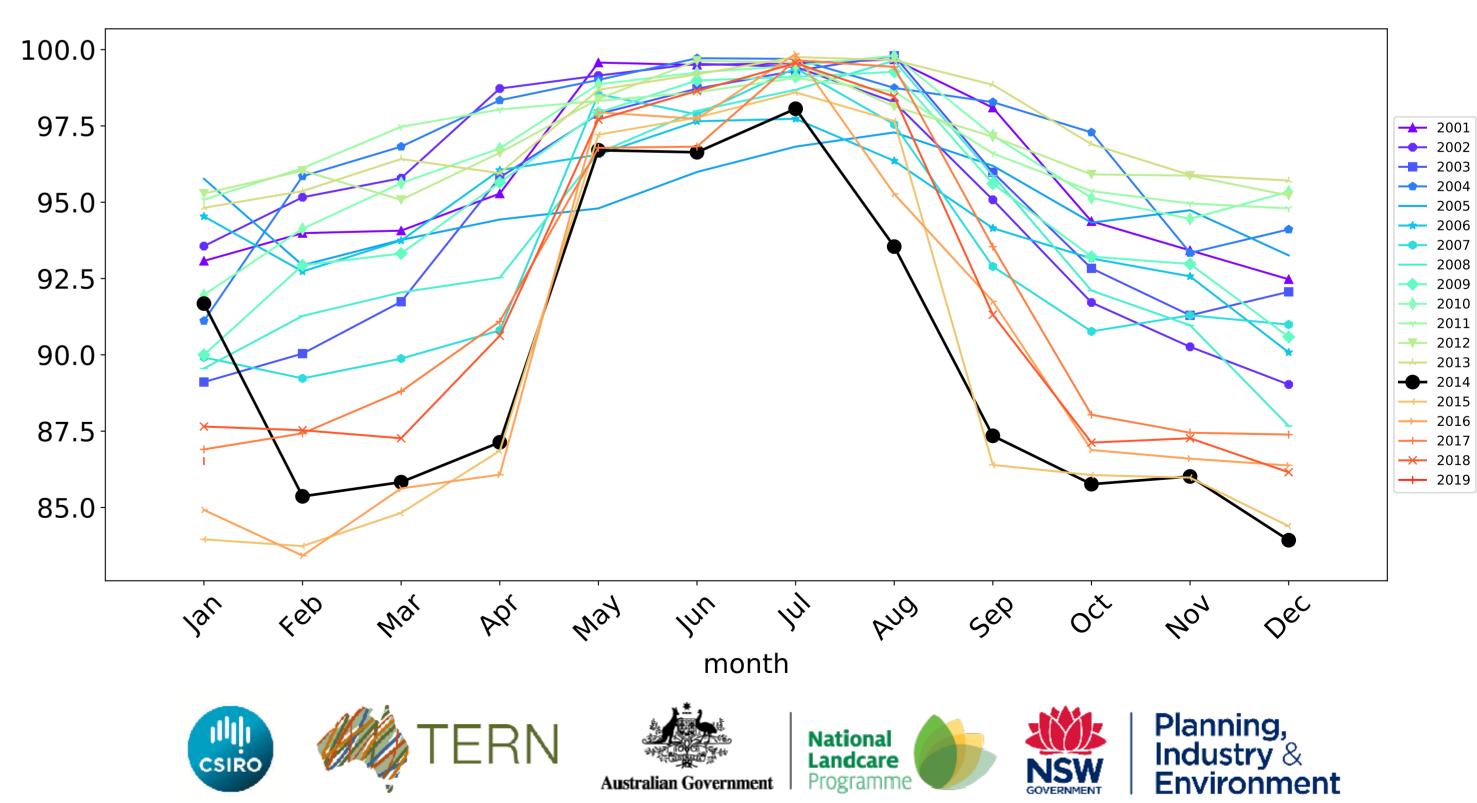




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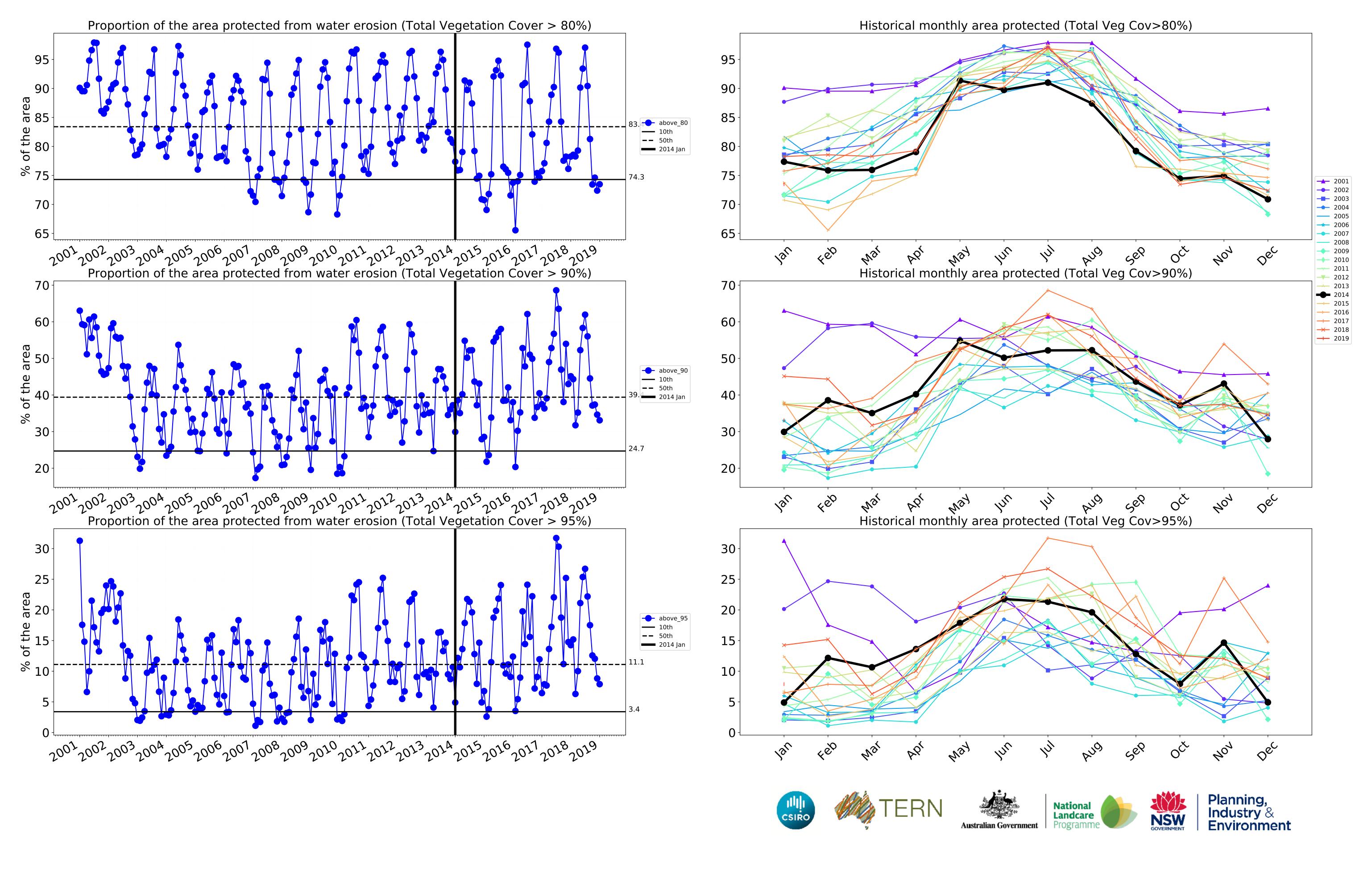
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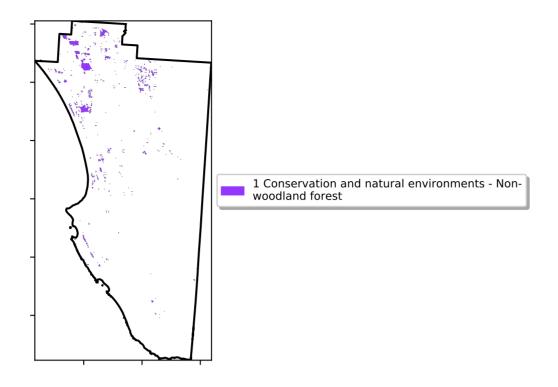
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



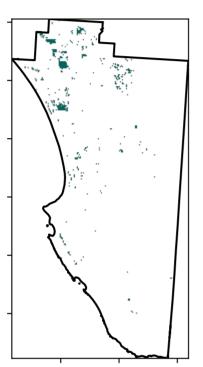
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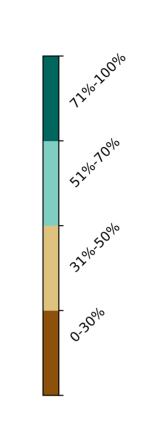
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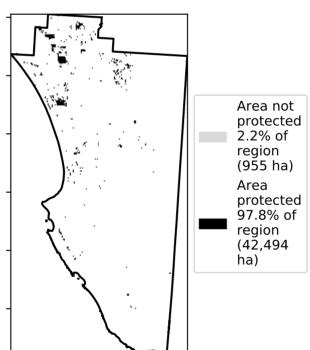


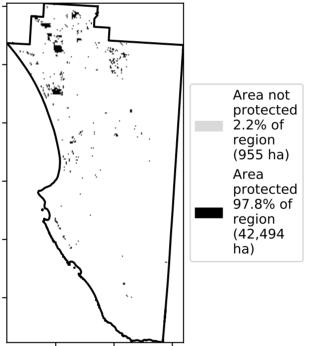
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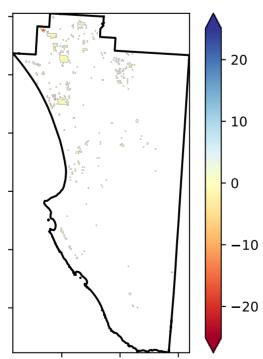


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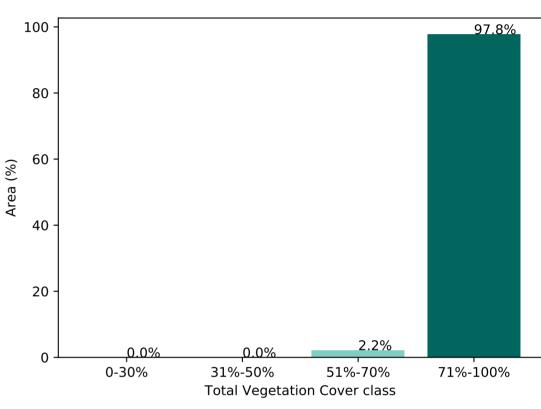


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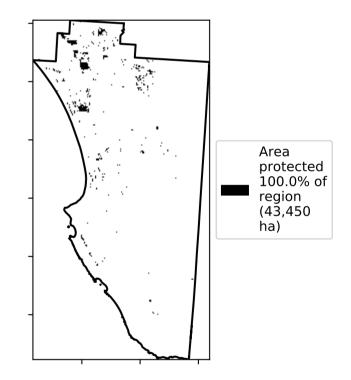


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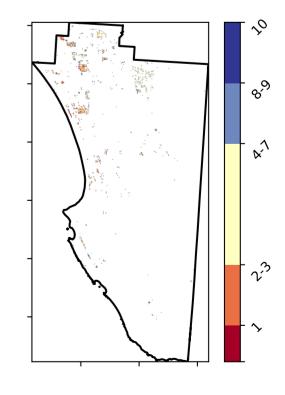
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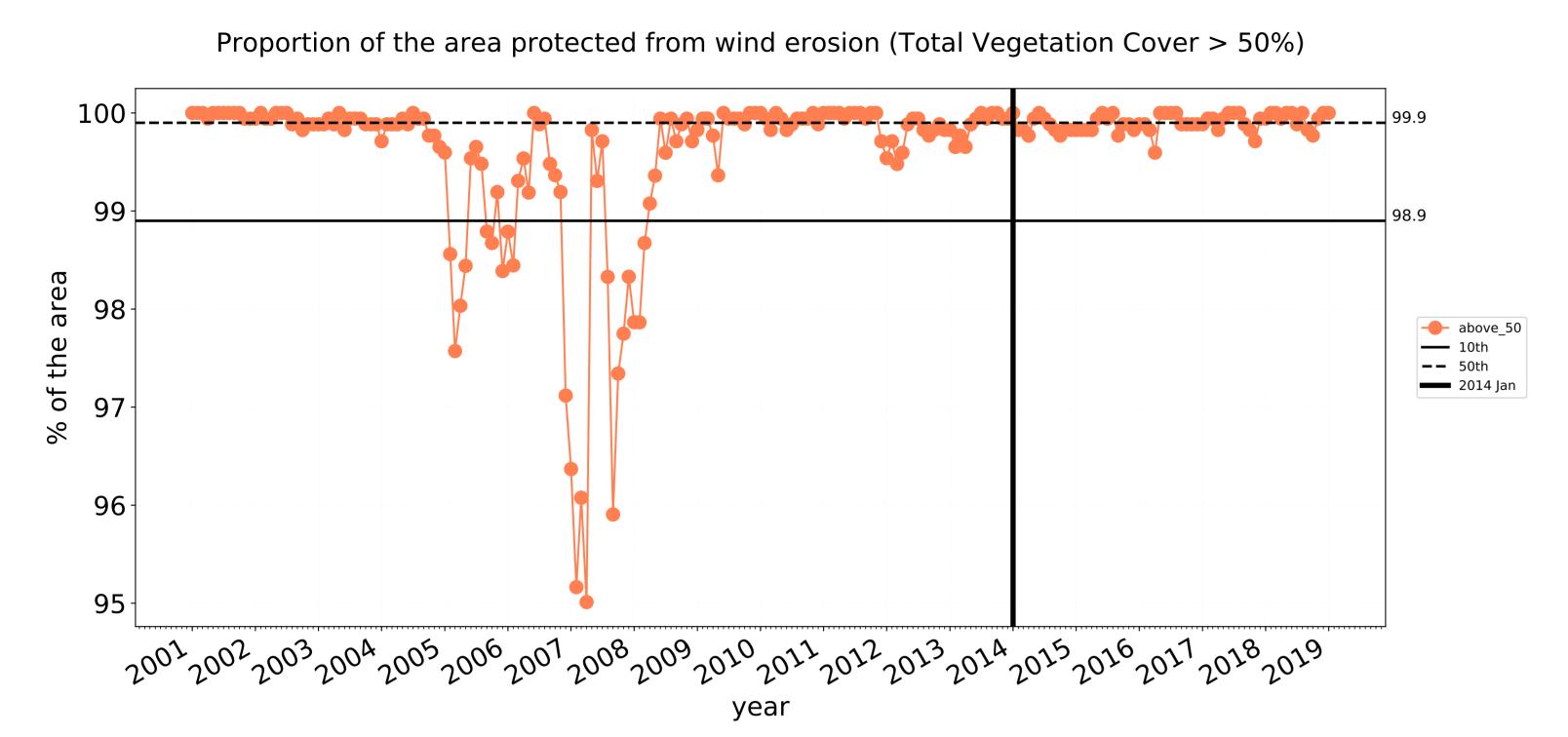




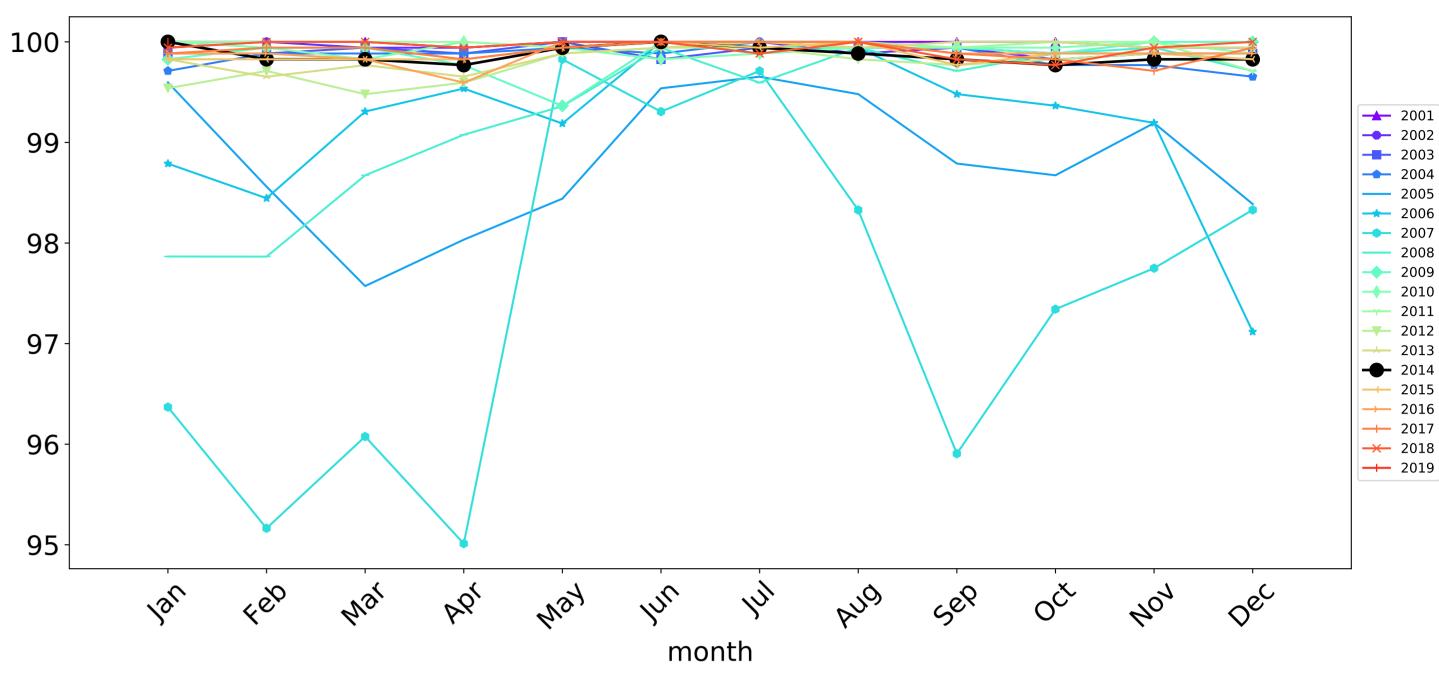


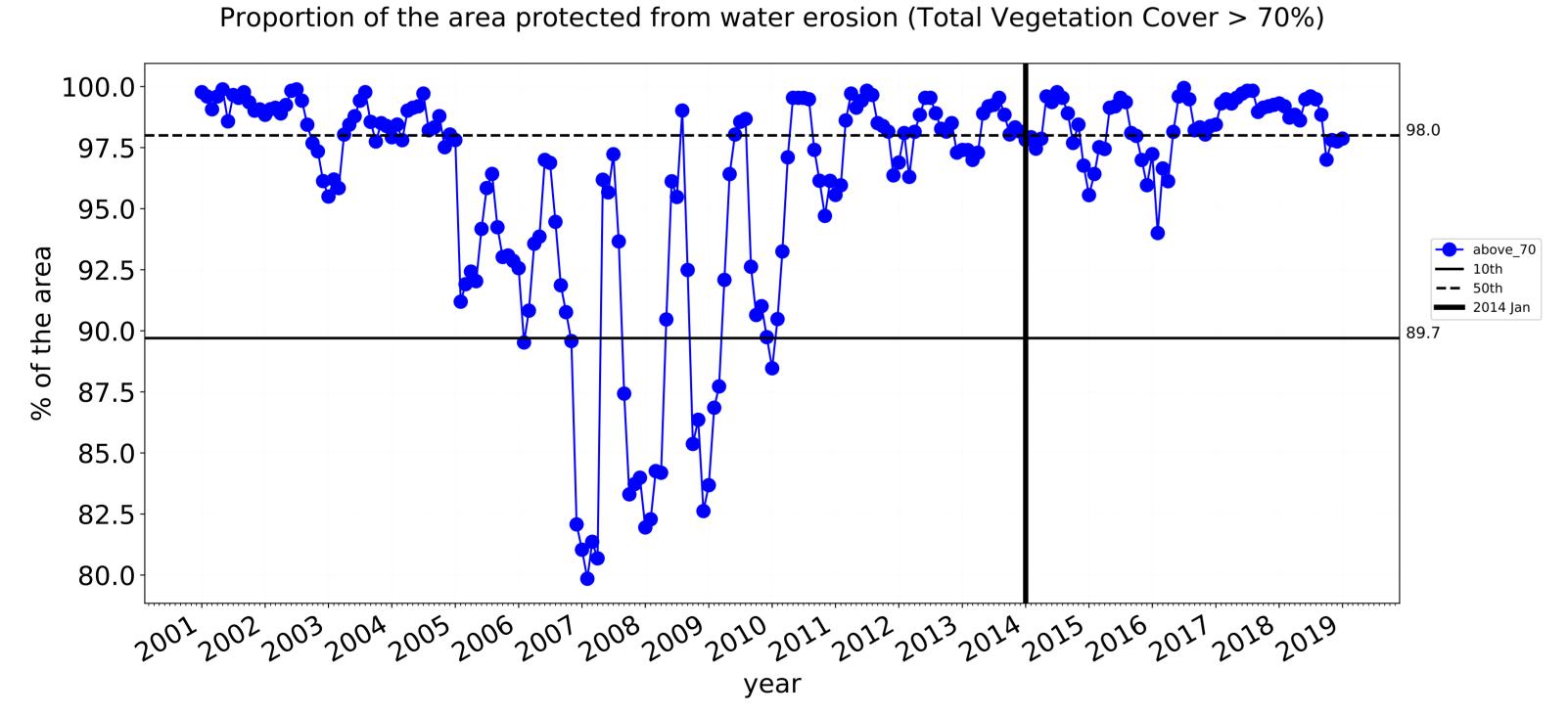




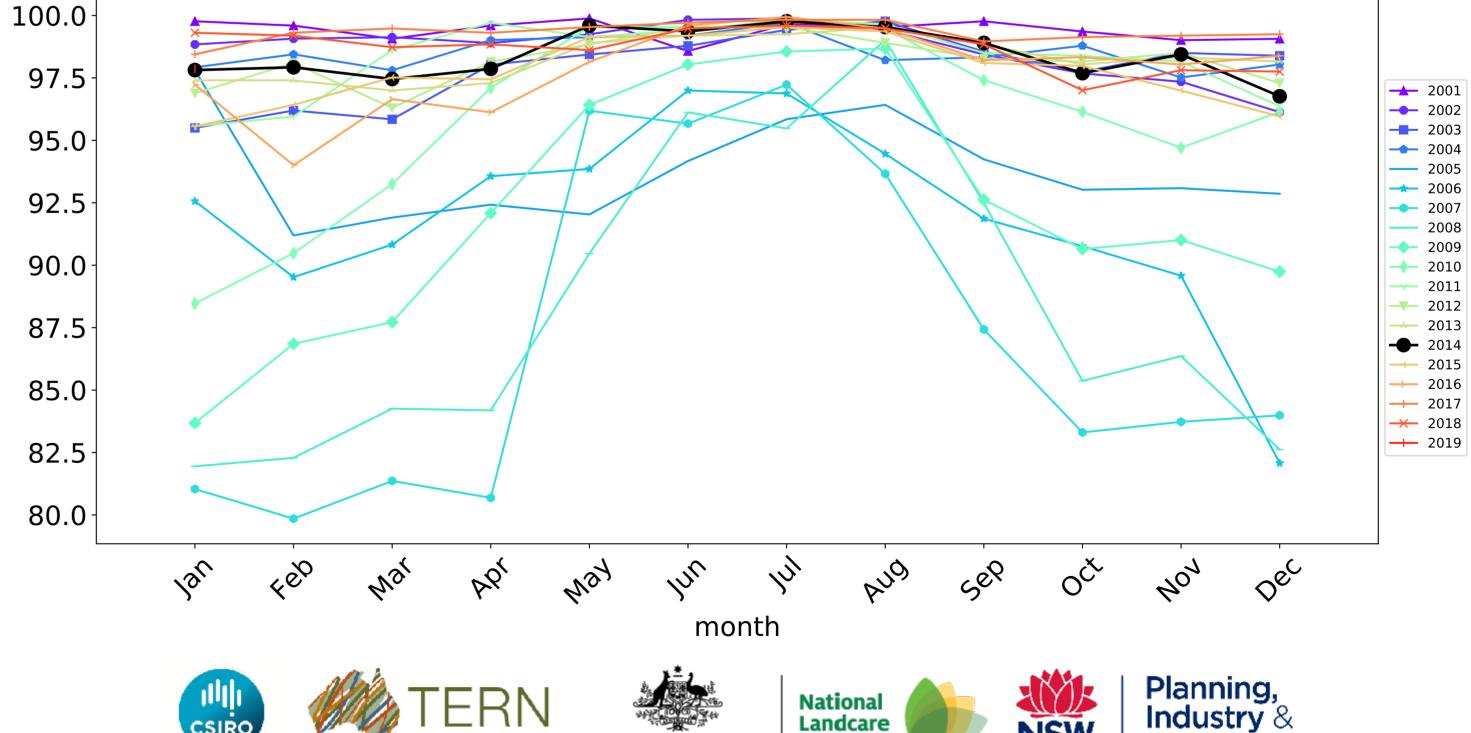


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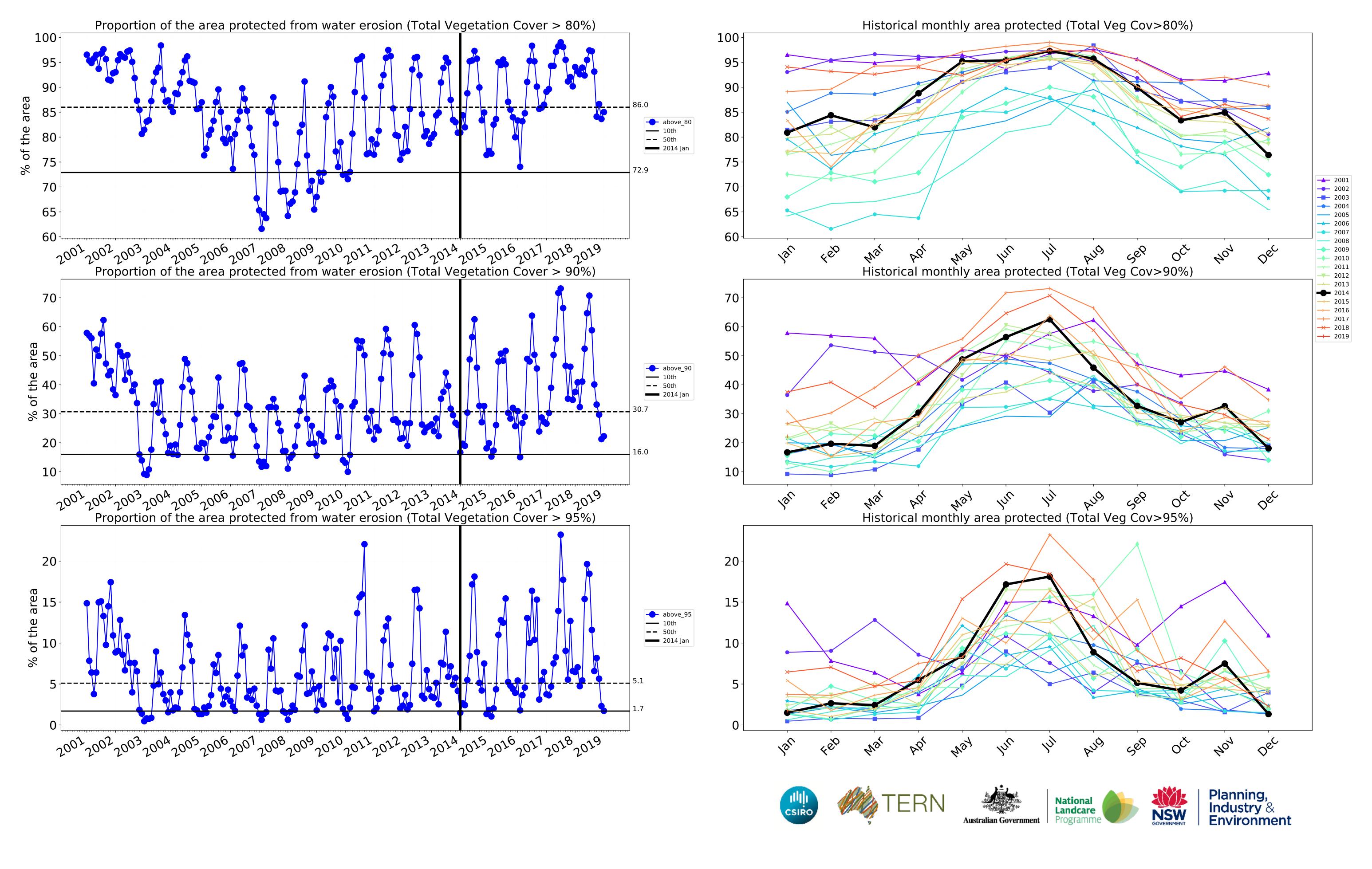












#### **Agriculture**

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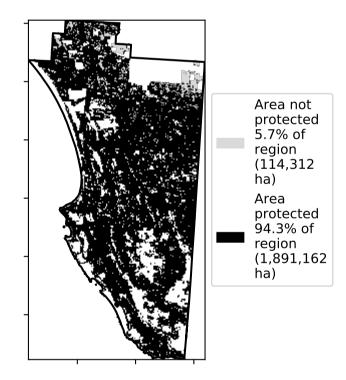
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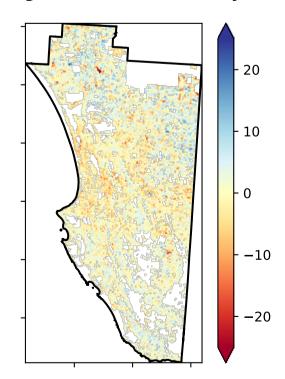
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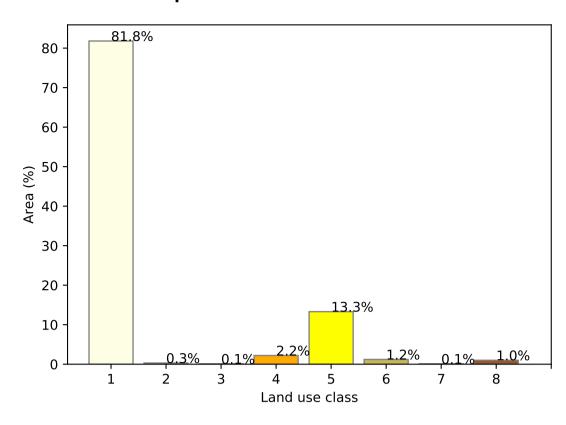


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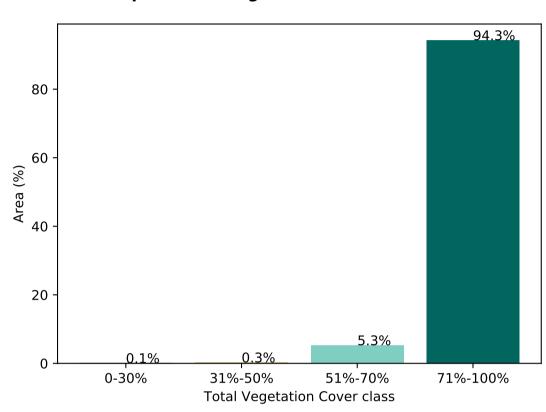


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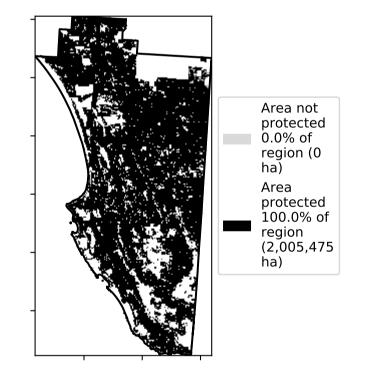
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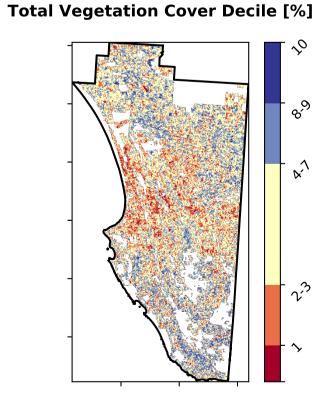
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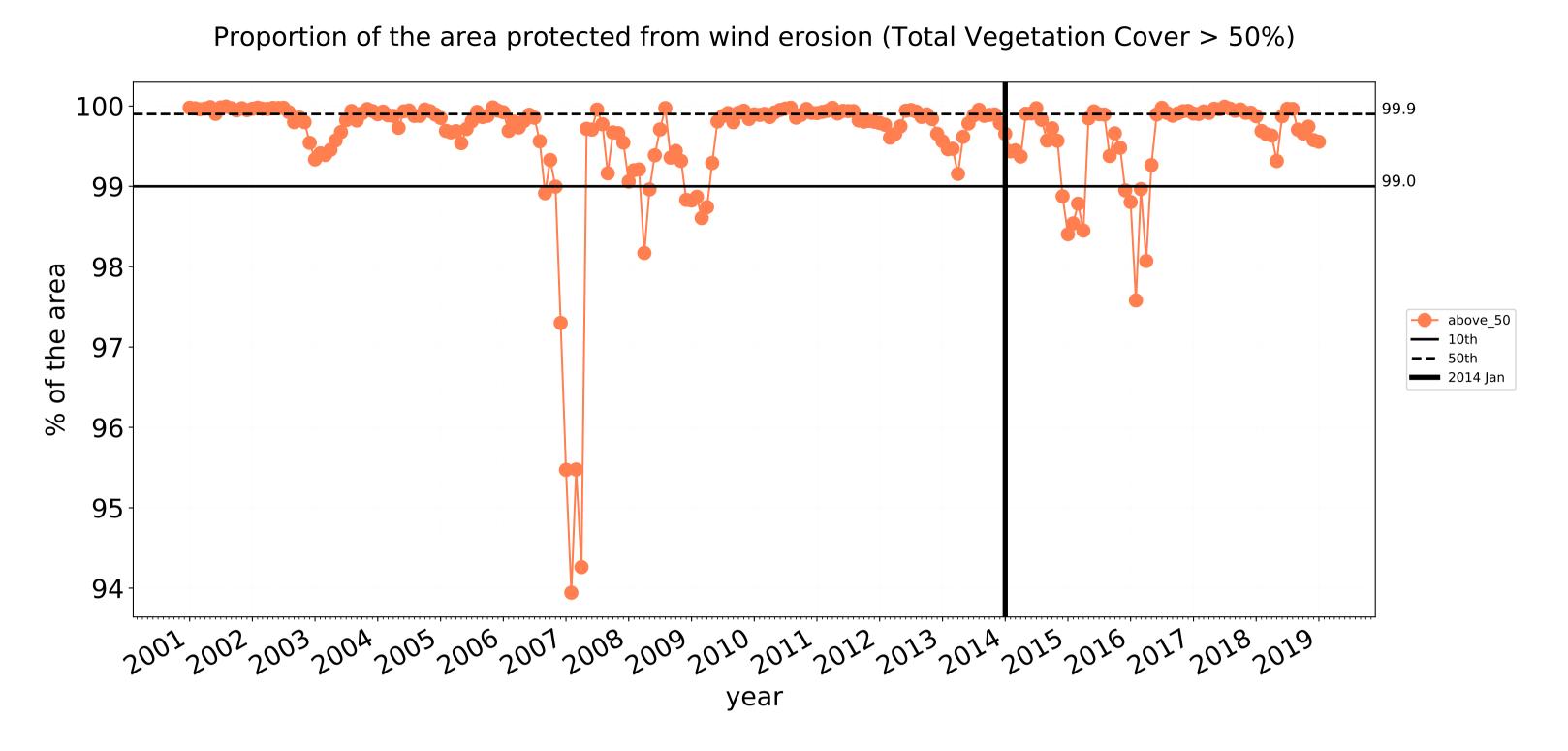


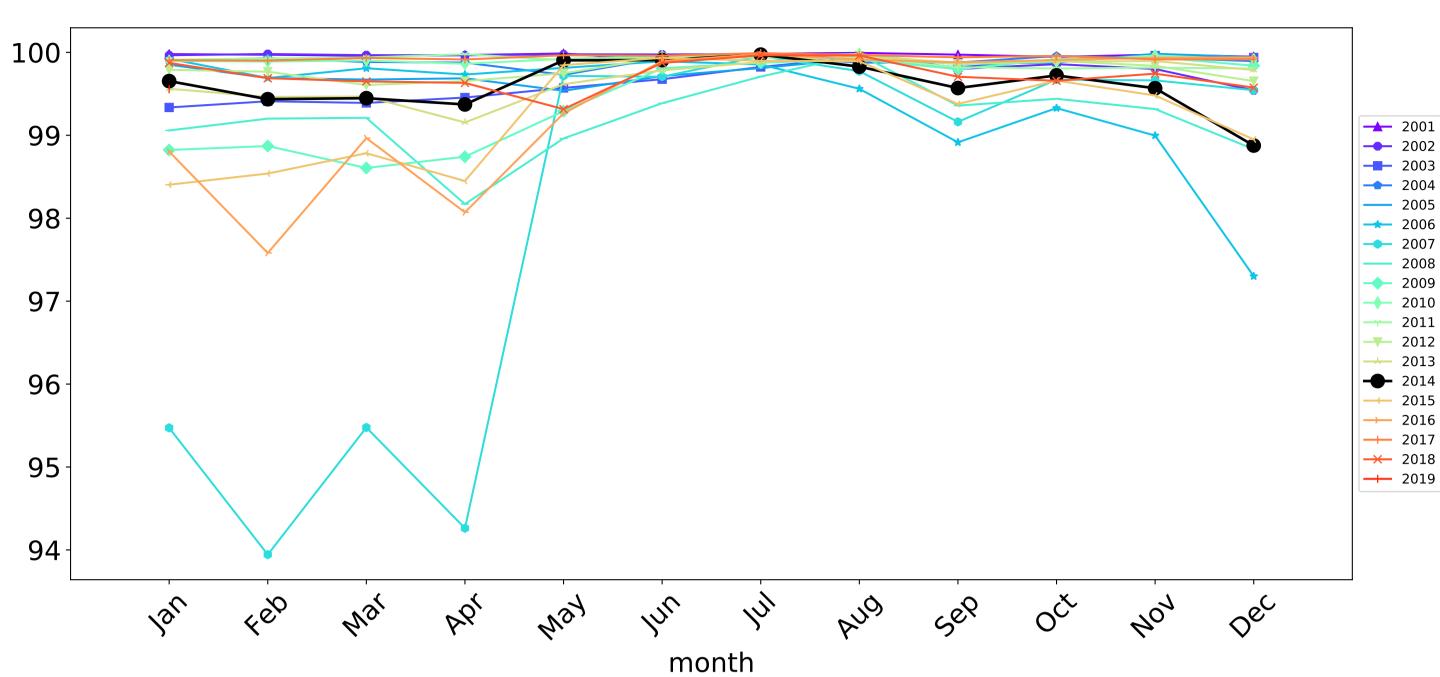




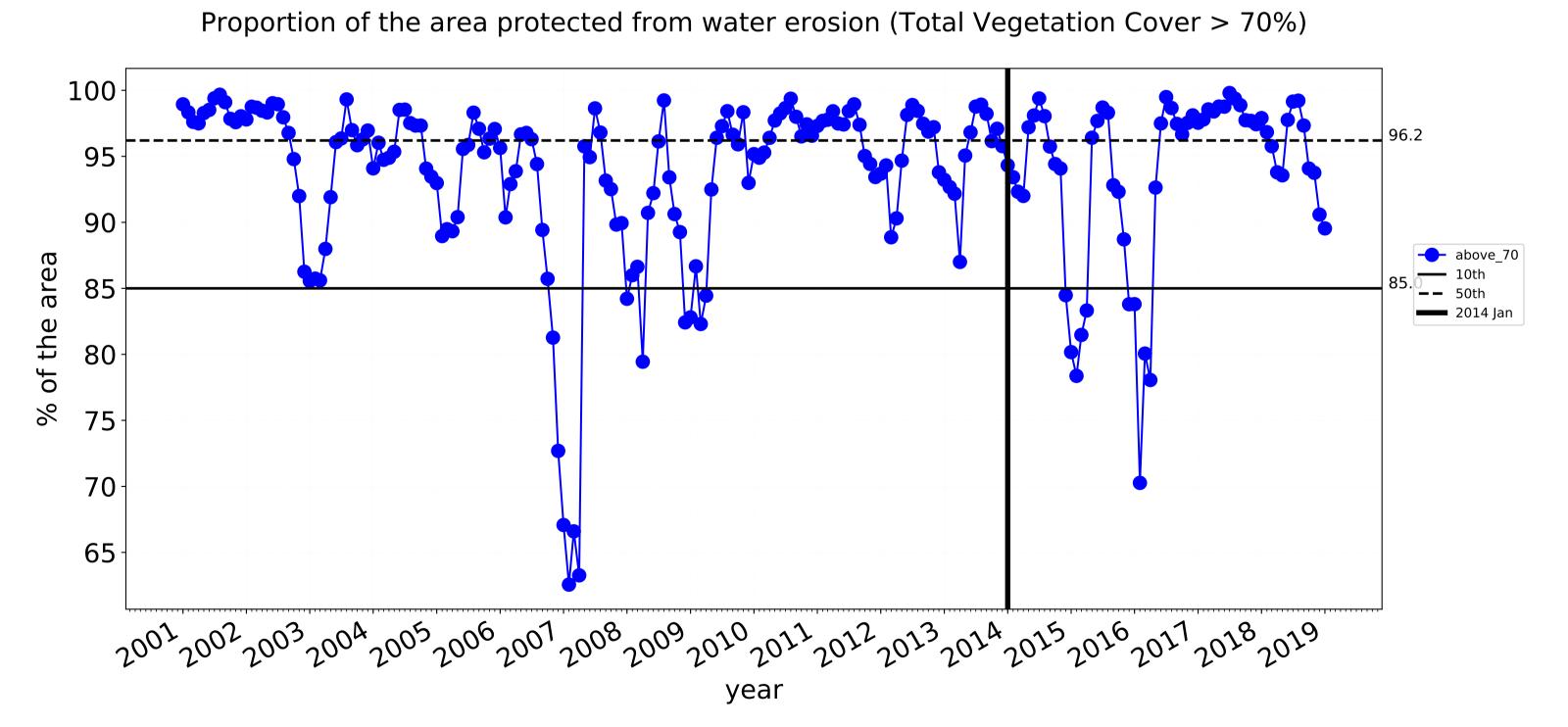


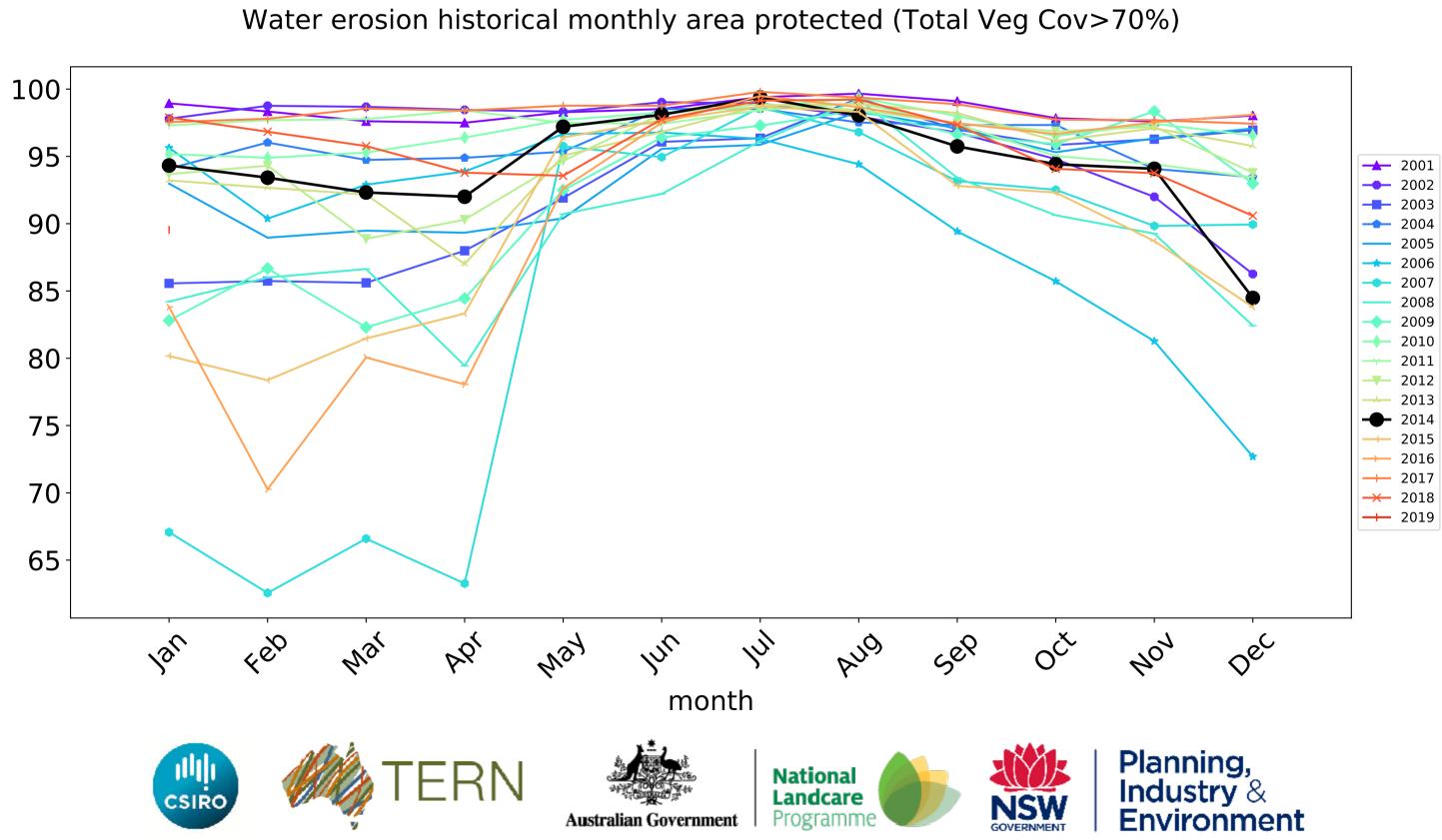
## **Agriculture timeseries**

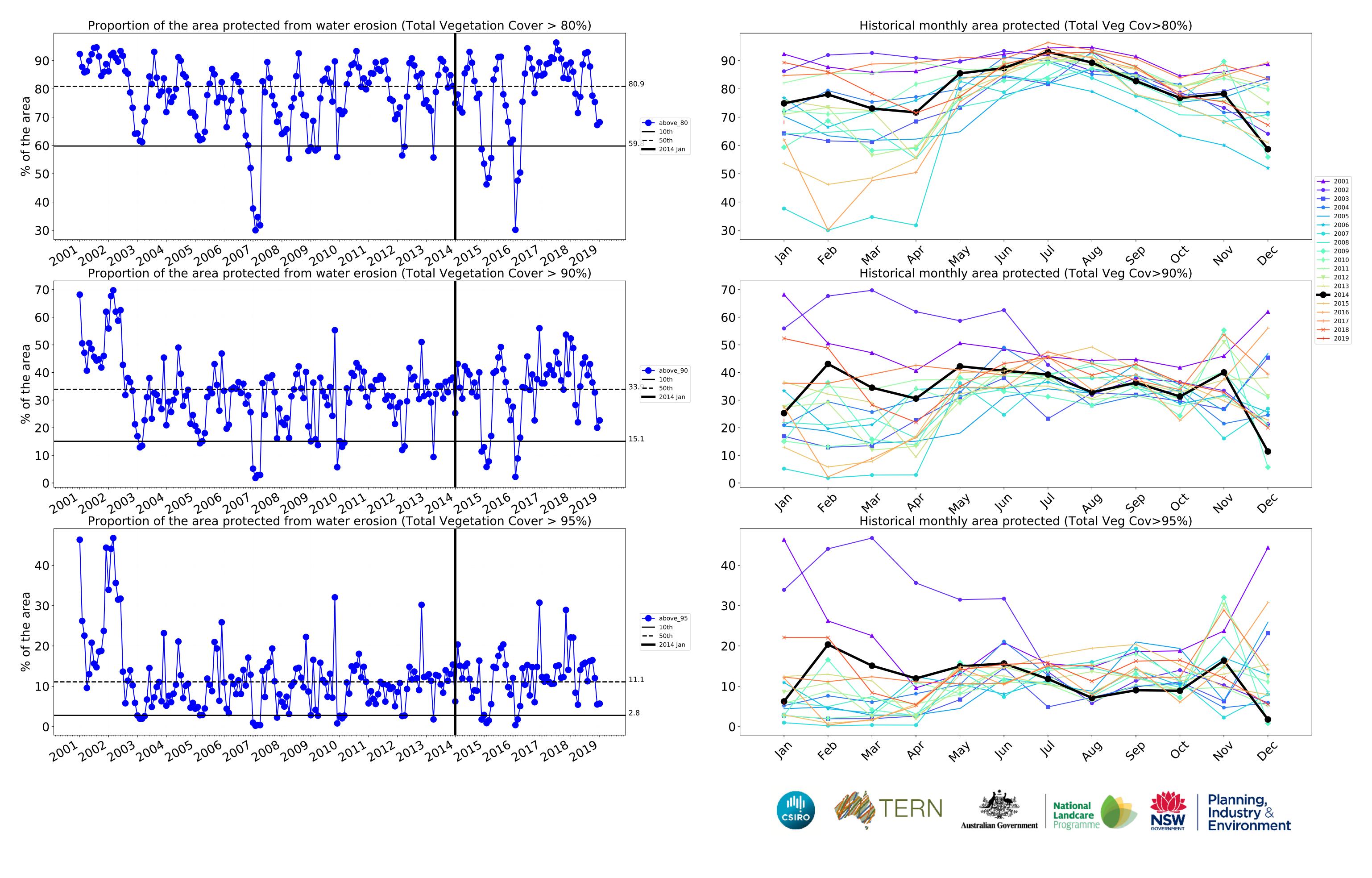




Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)







#### Grazing

#### Land use and forest cover

# 1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest 2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest 3 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest

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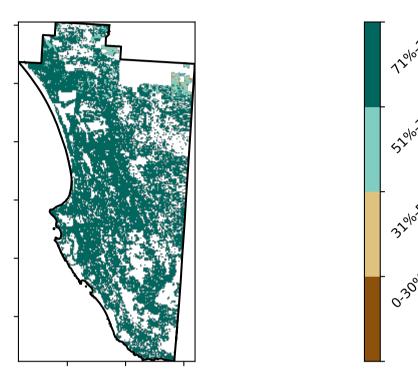
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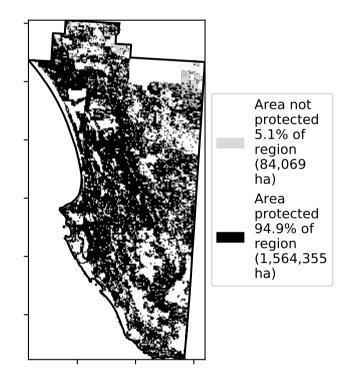
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Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests

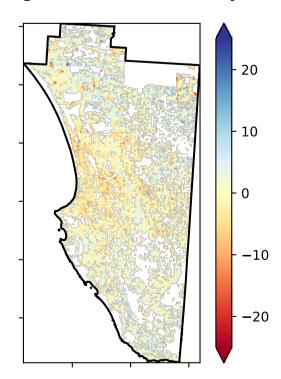
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

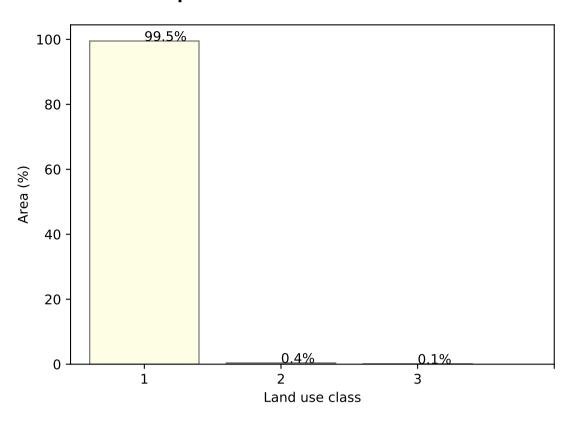


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

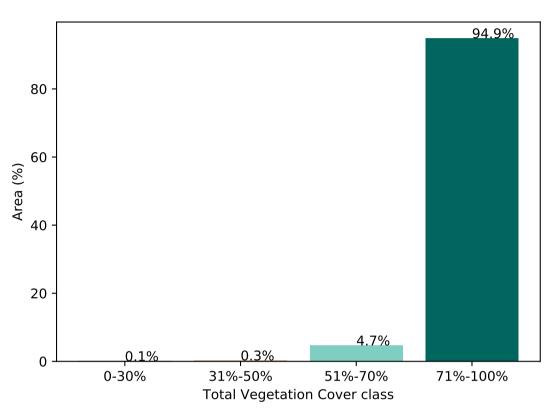


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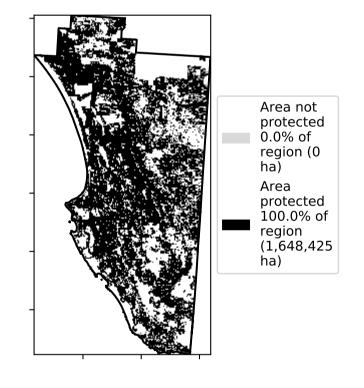
#### Proportion of each land class in area



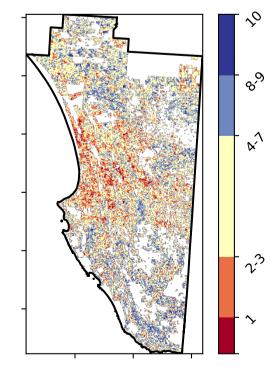
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 







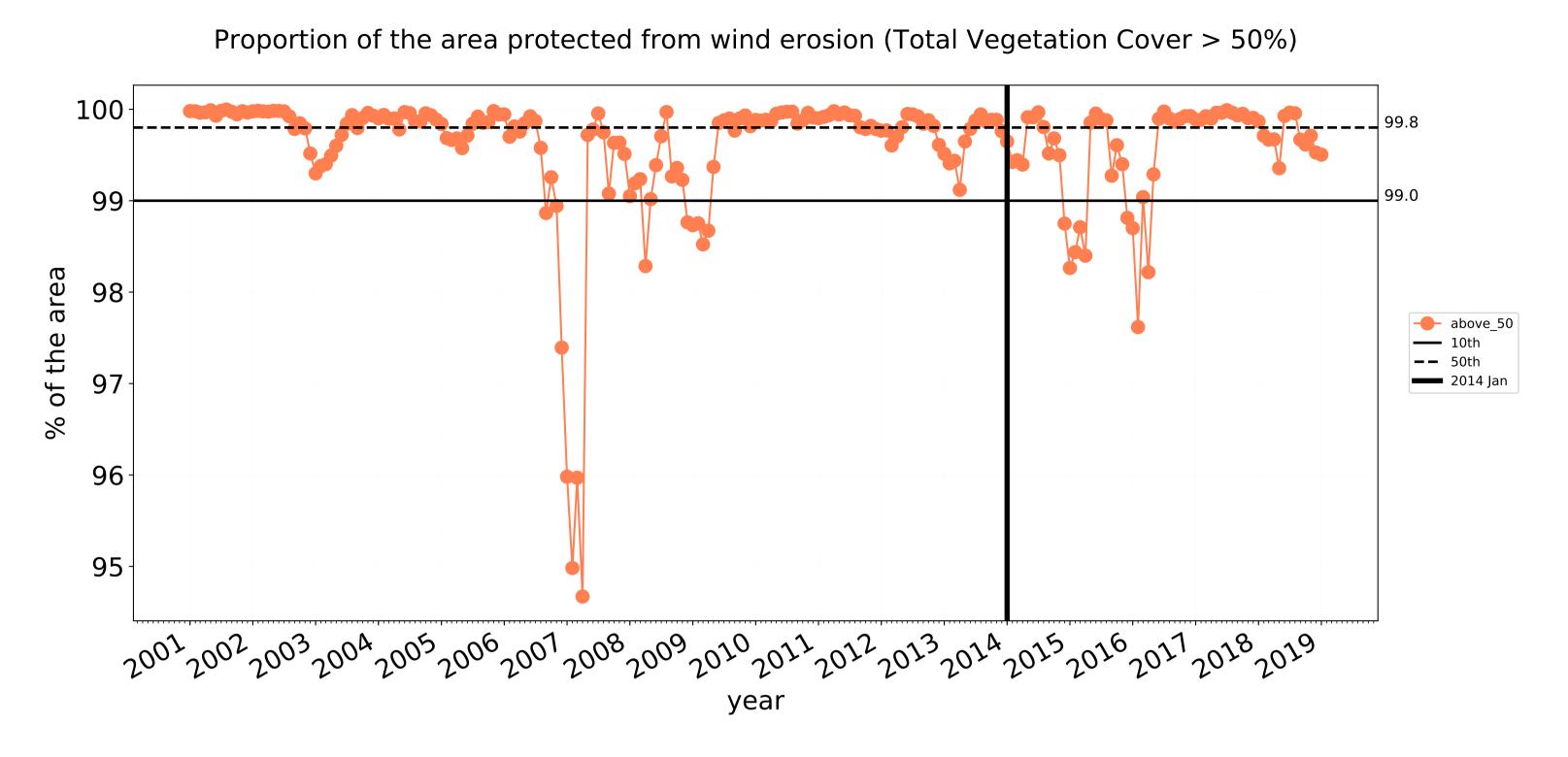


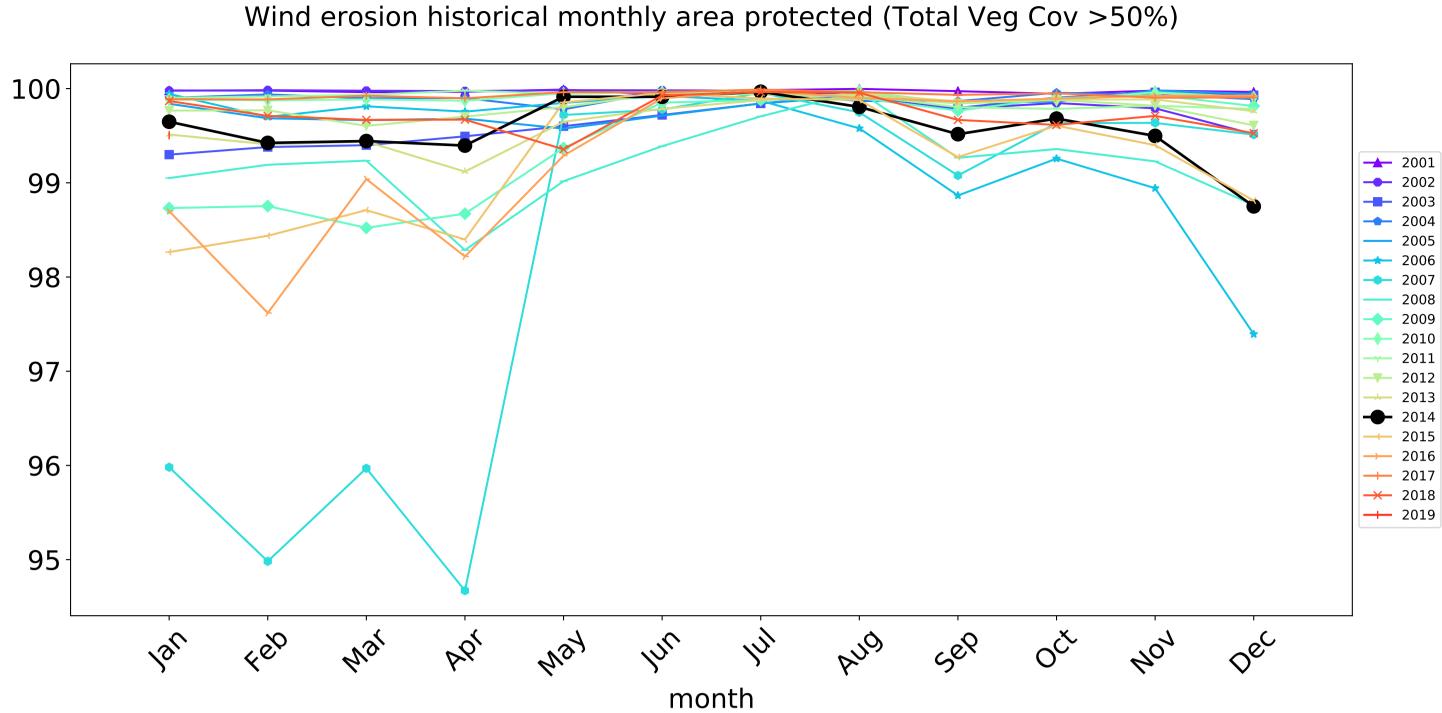


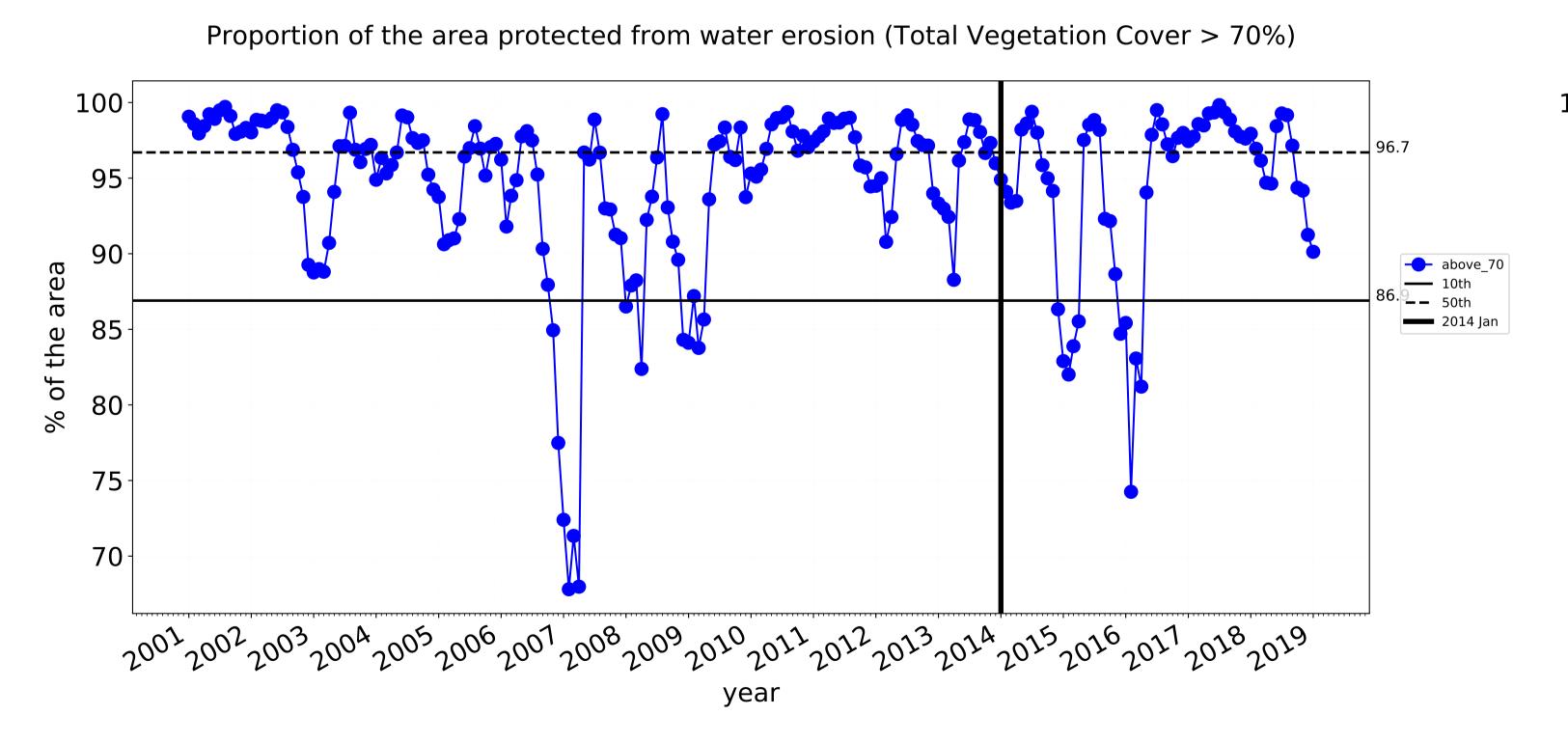


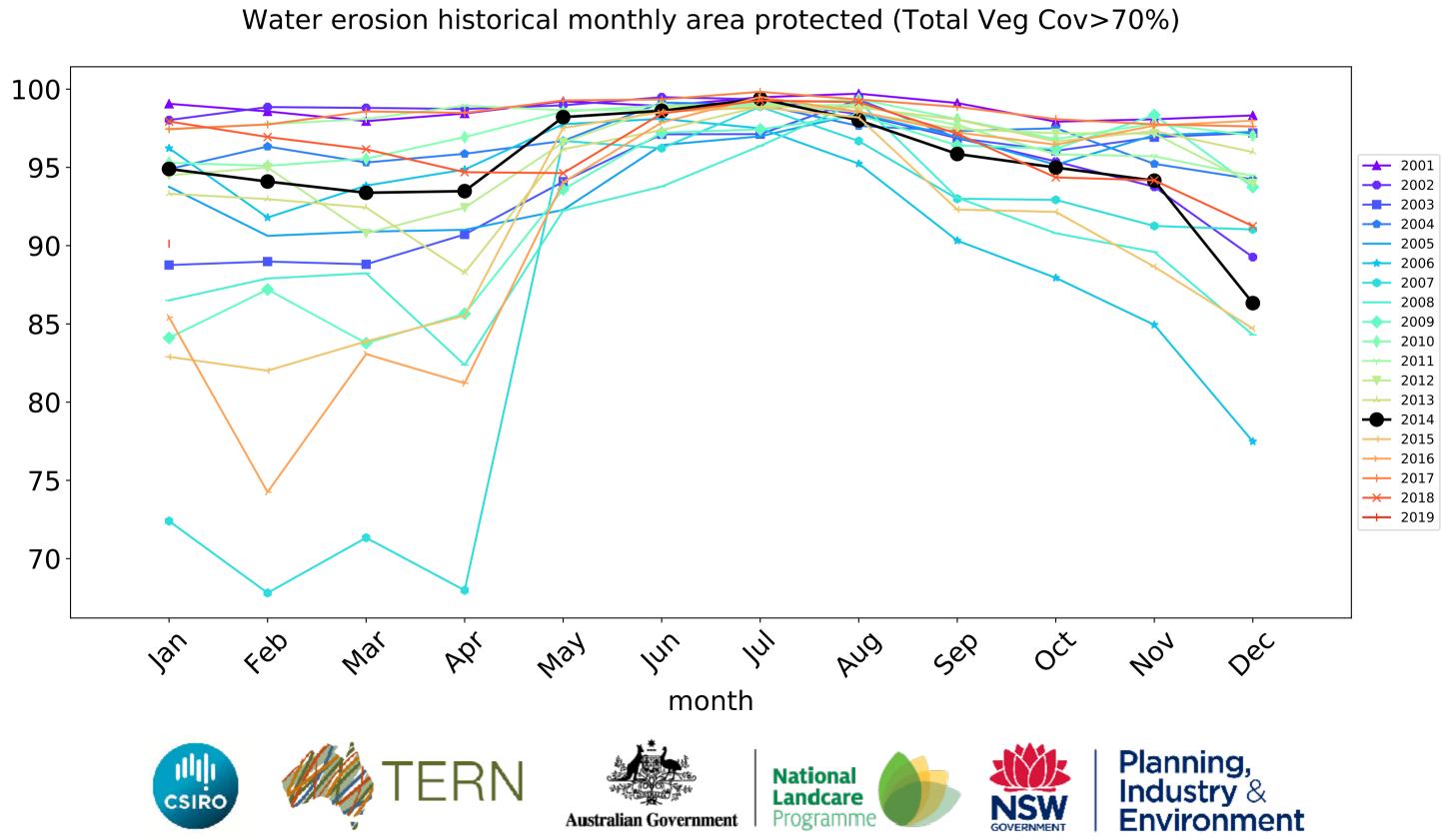


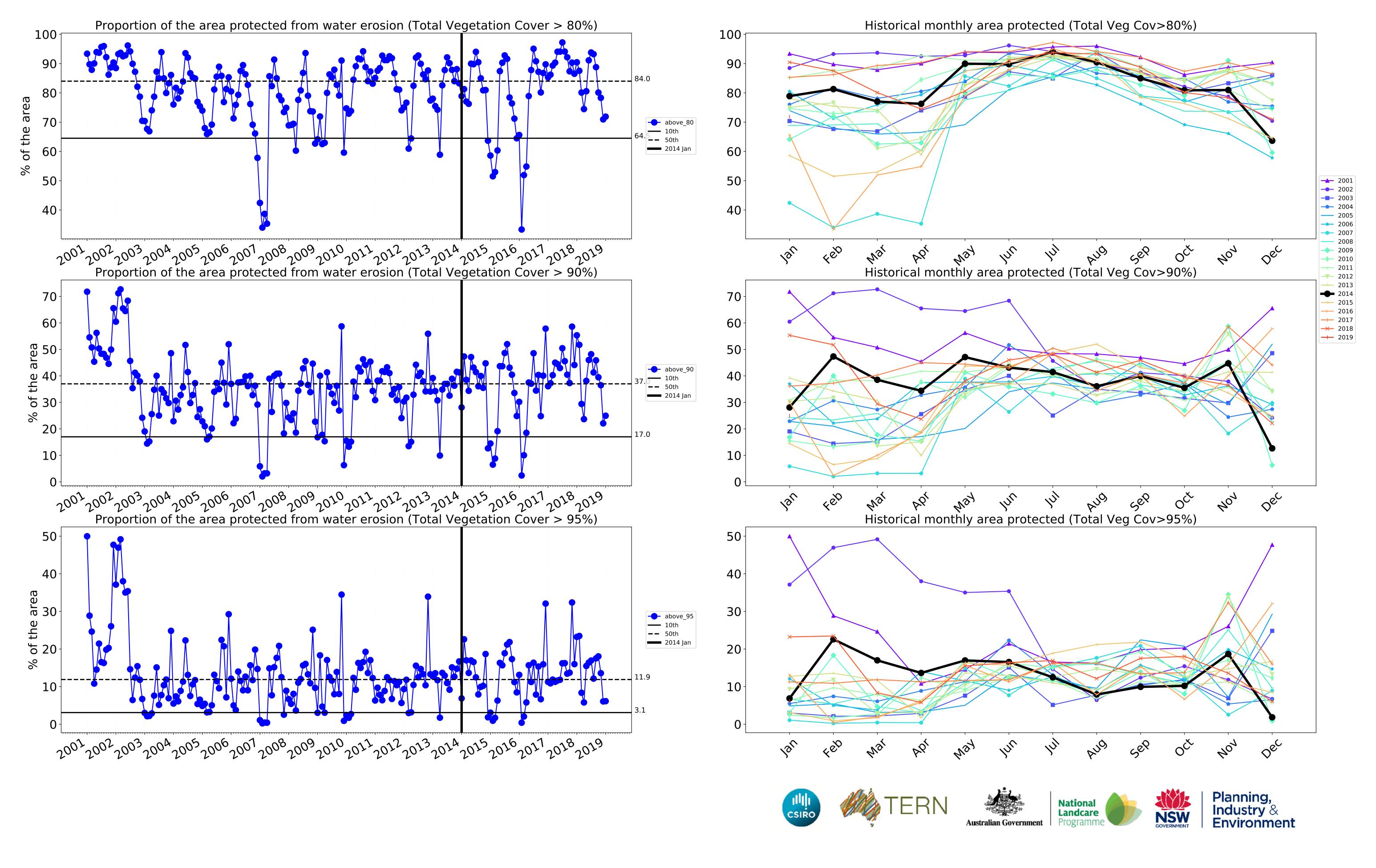
## **Grazing timeseries**











#### **Grazing non forest**

#### **Land use and forest cover**

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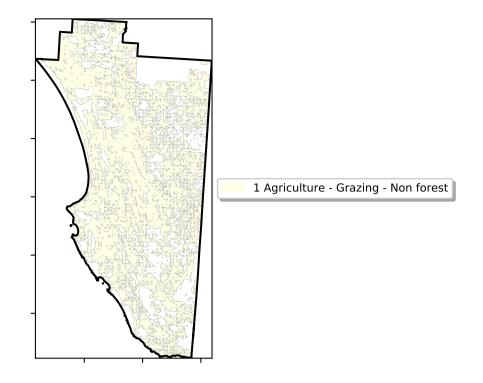
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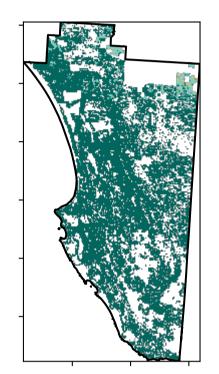
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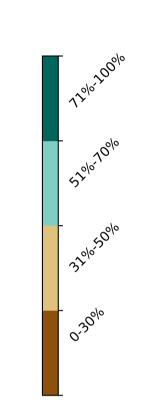
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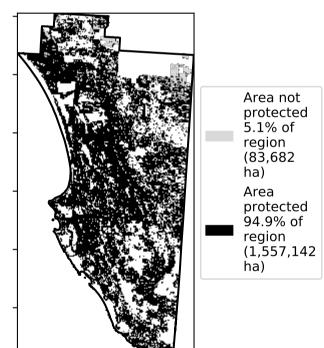


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

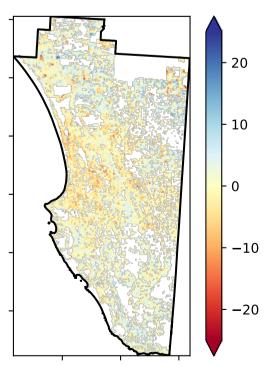




#### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

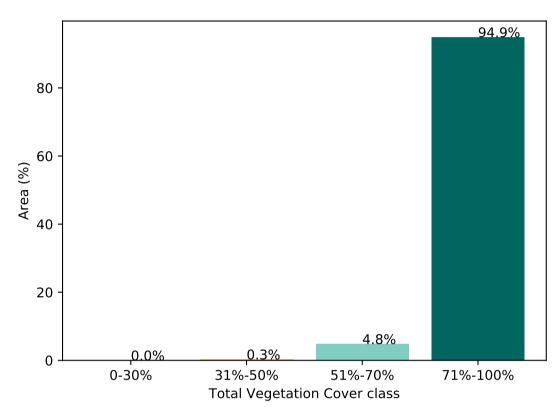


#### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

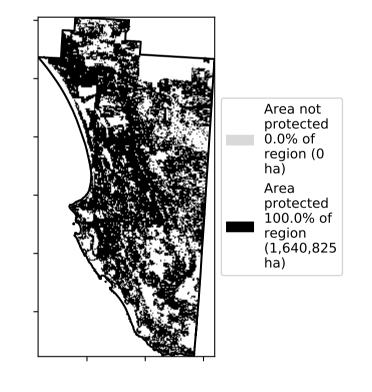


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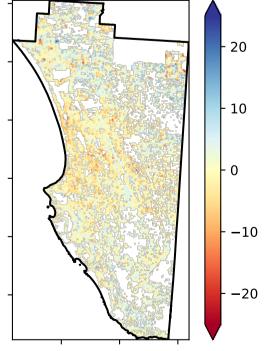
#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

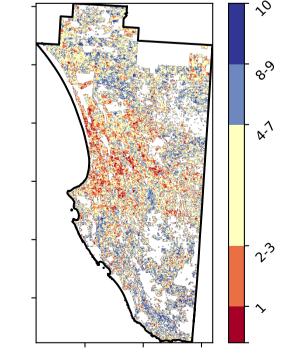


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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









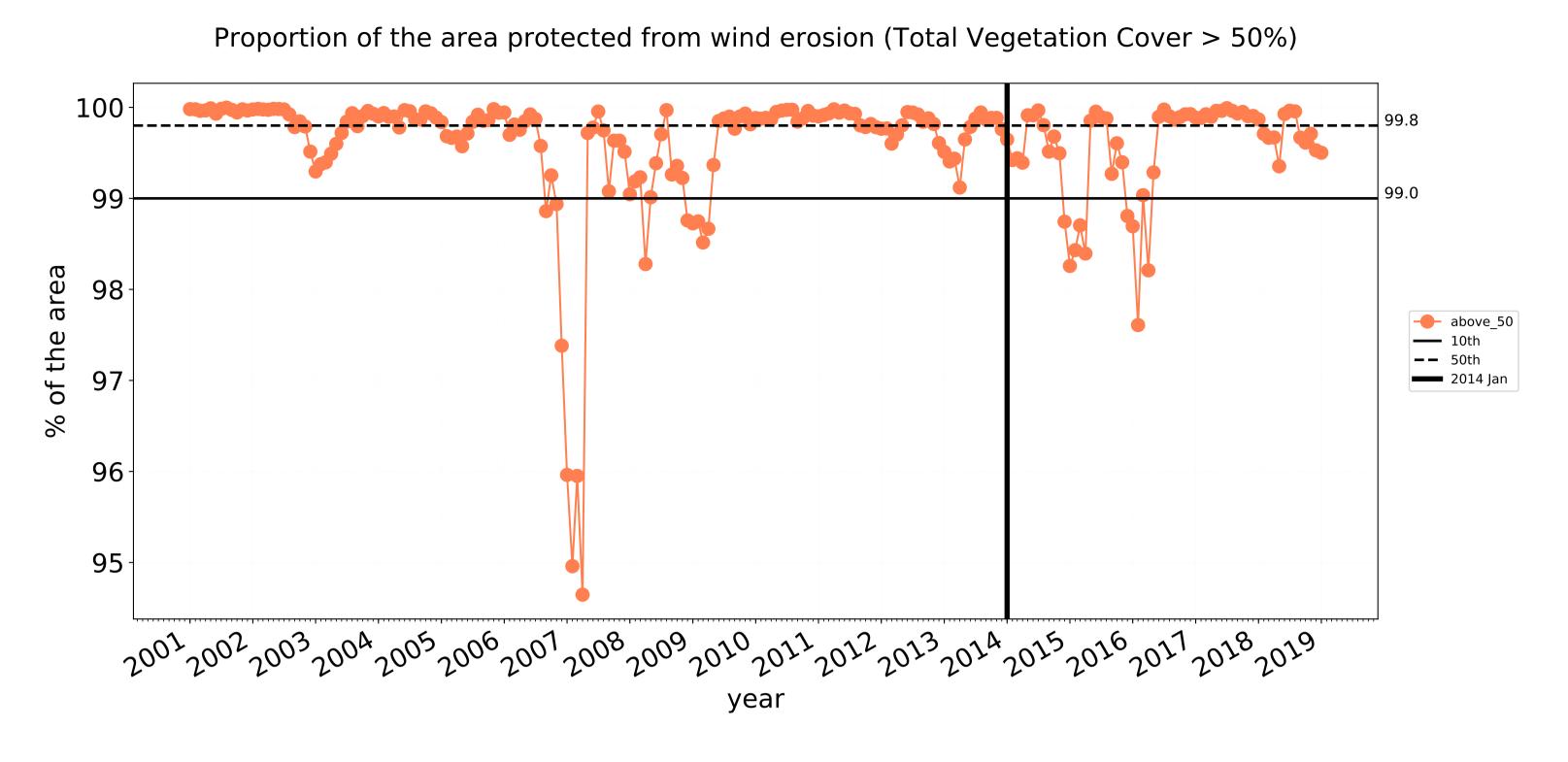


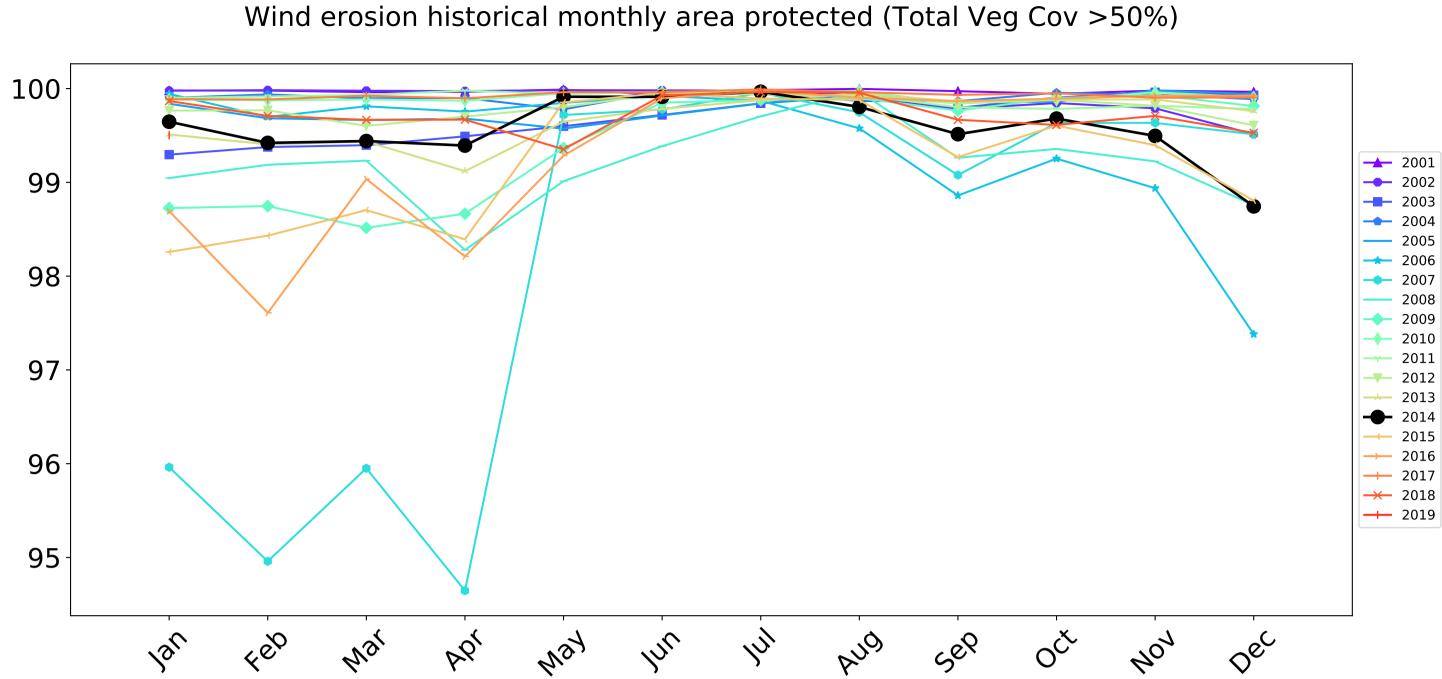




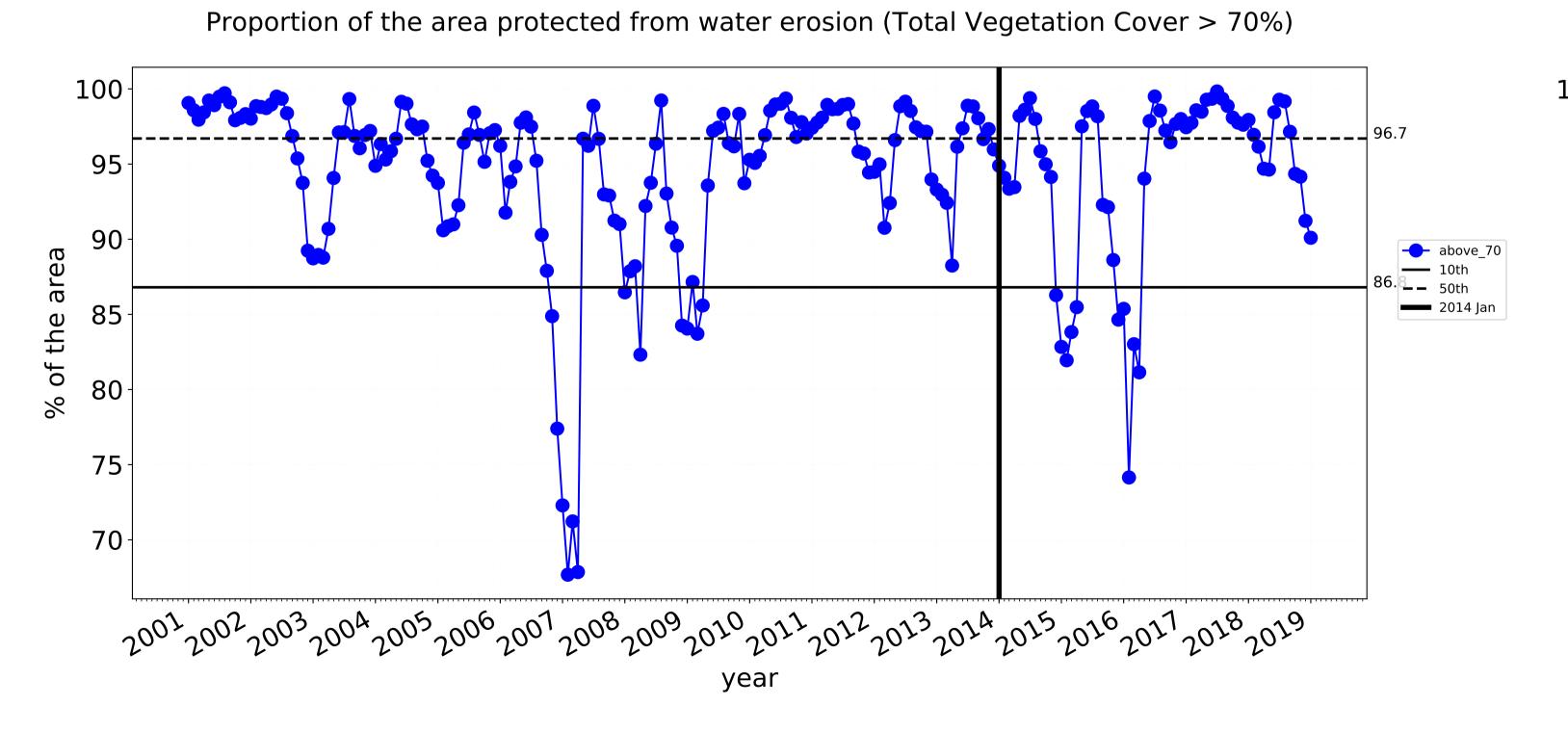


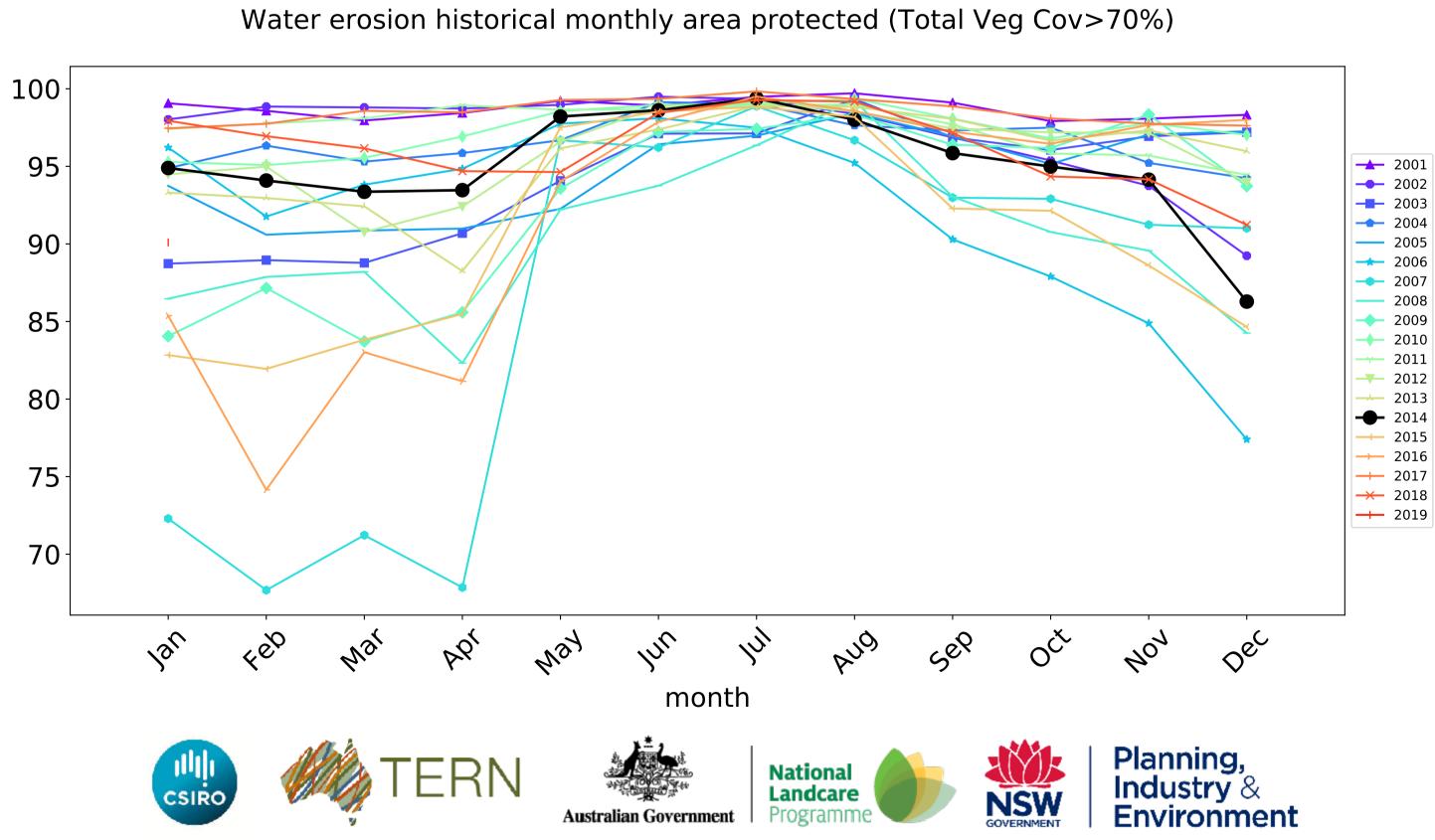
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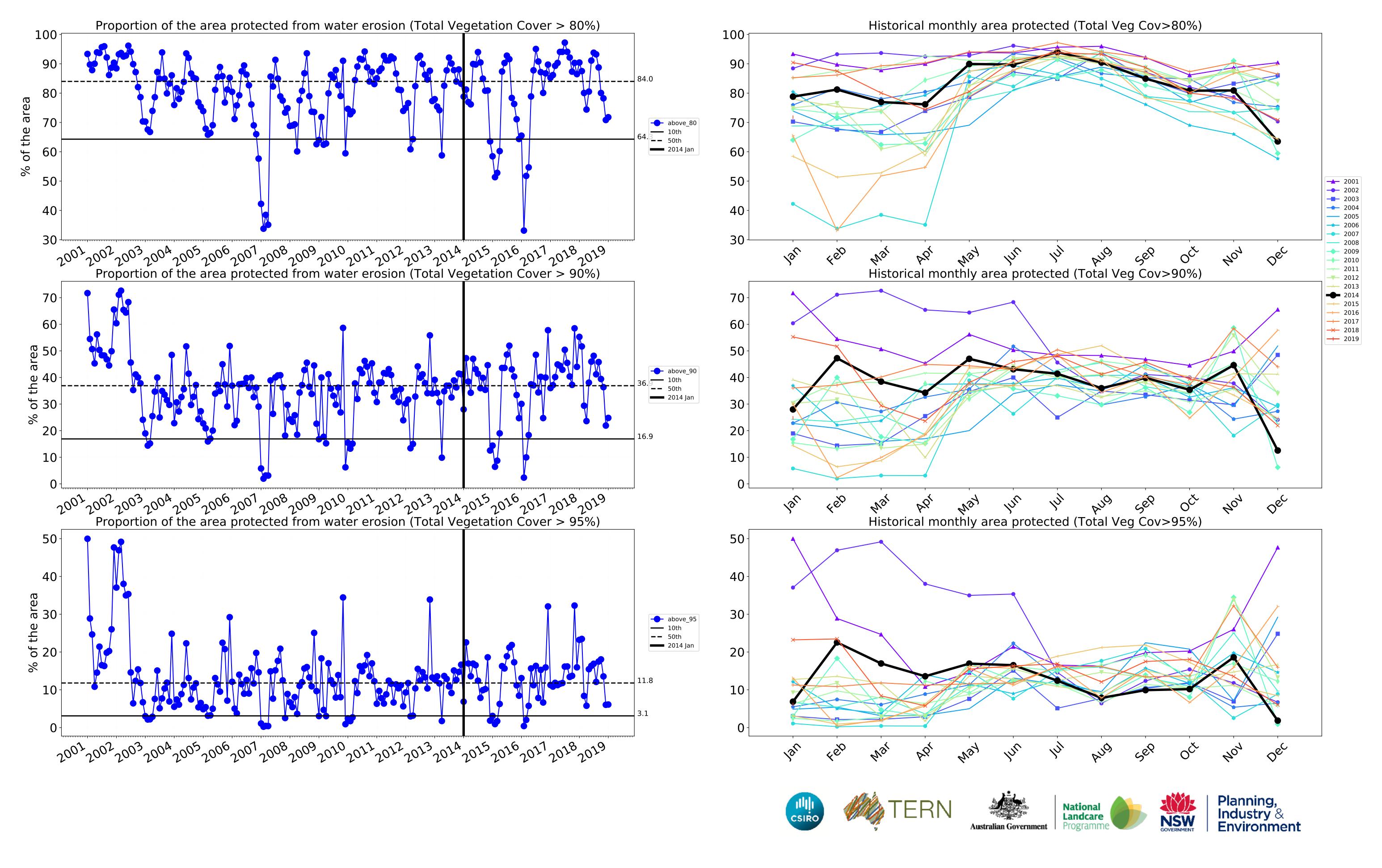




month







#### **Cropping**

#### Land use and forest cover

1 Agriculture - Cropping - Non-irrigated

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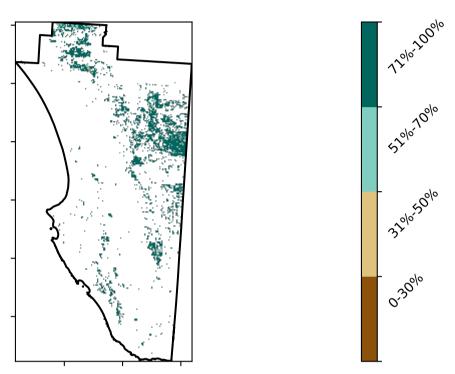
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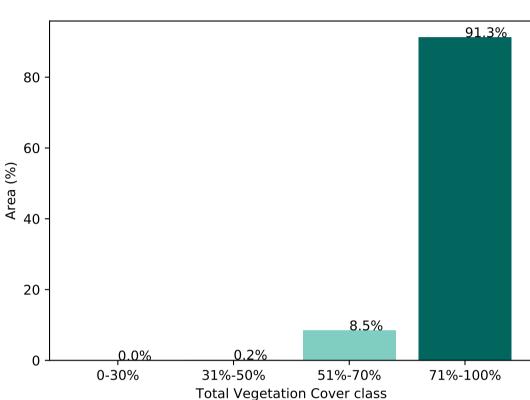
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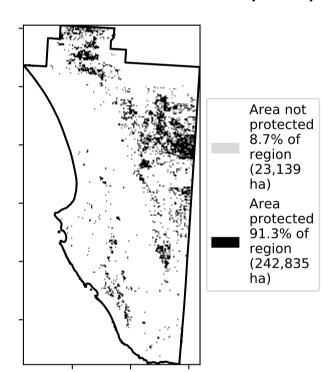
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



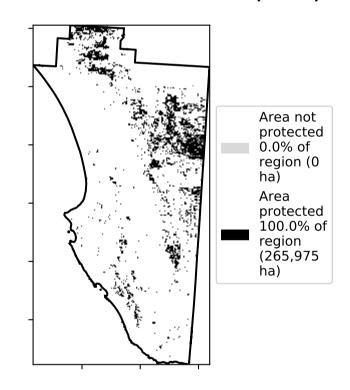
#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



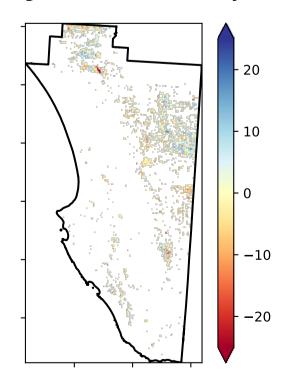
#### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

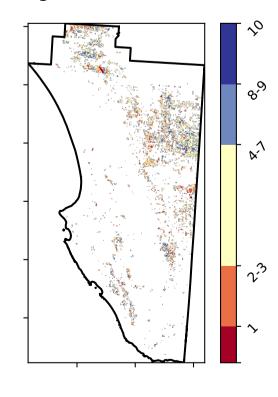


#### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**



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







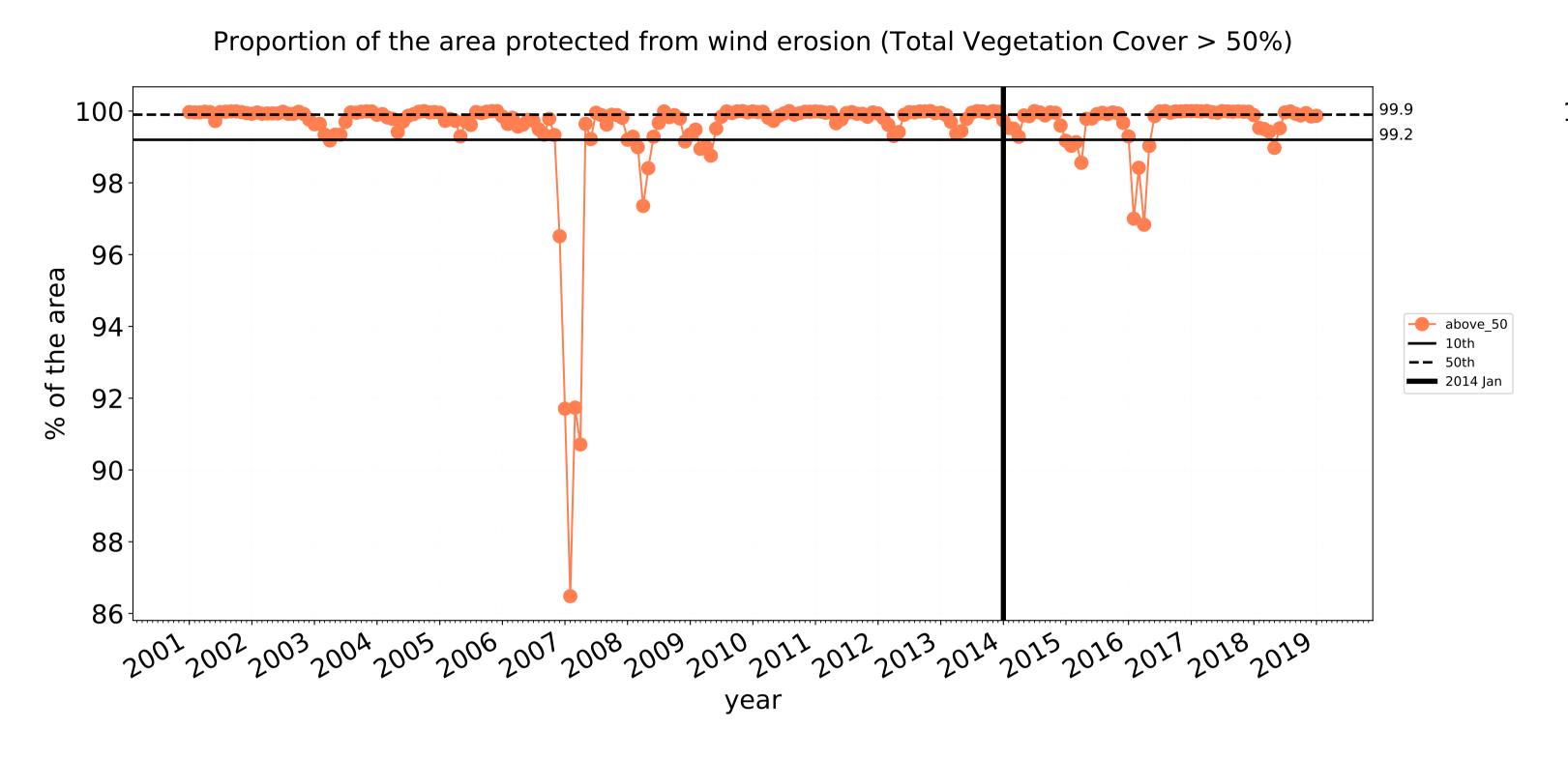


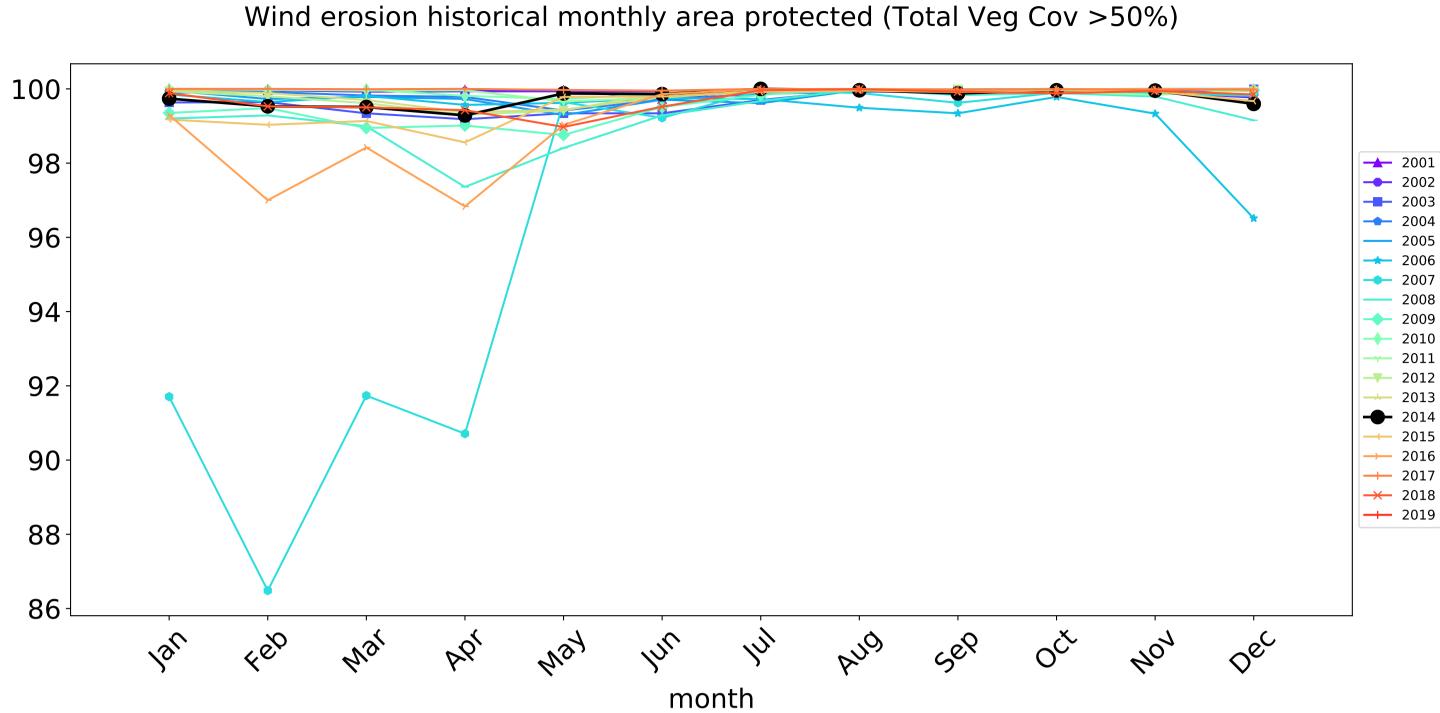


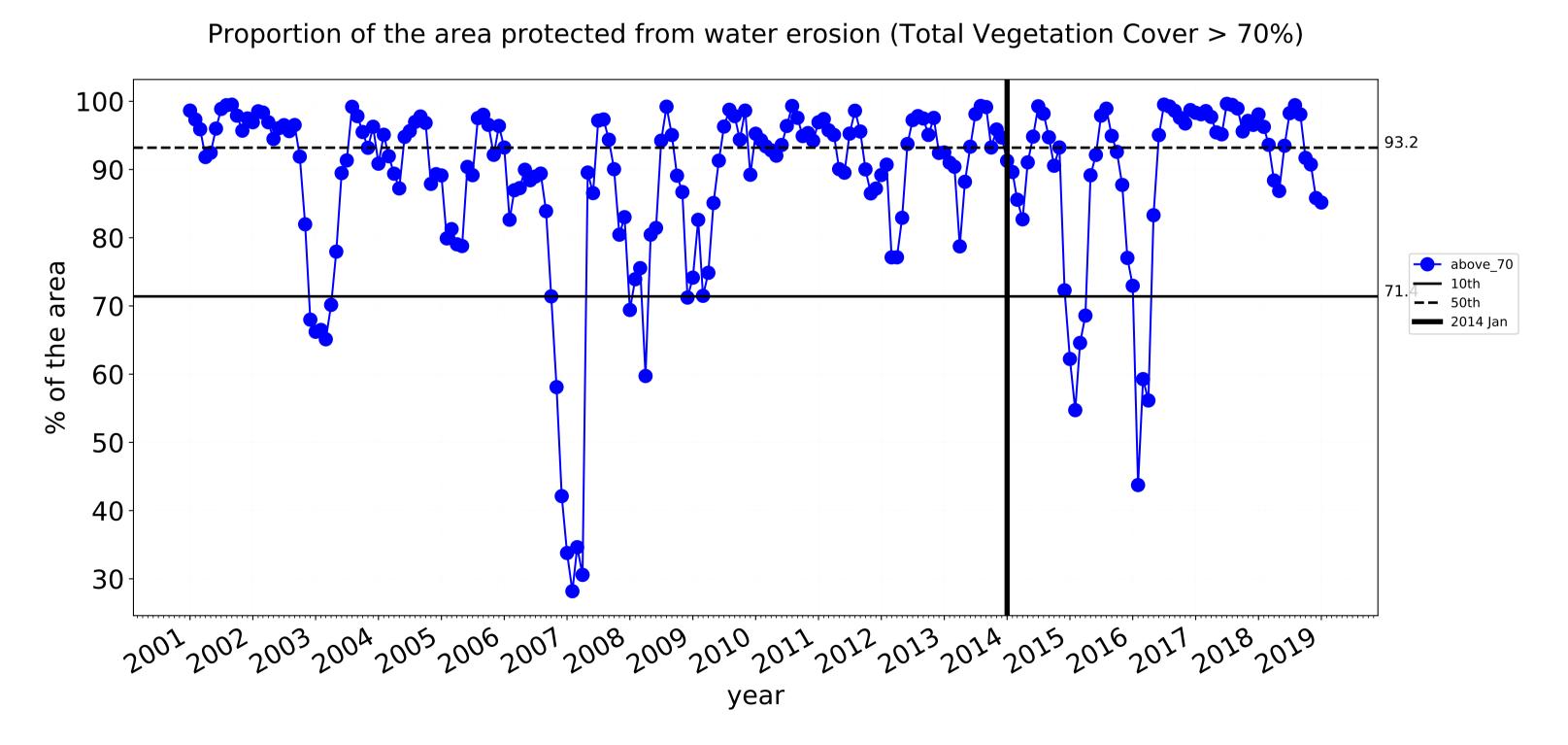


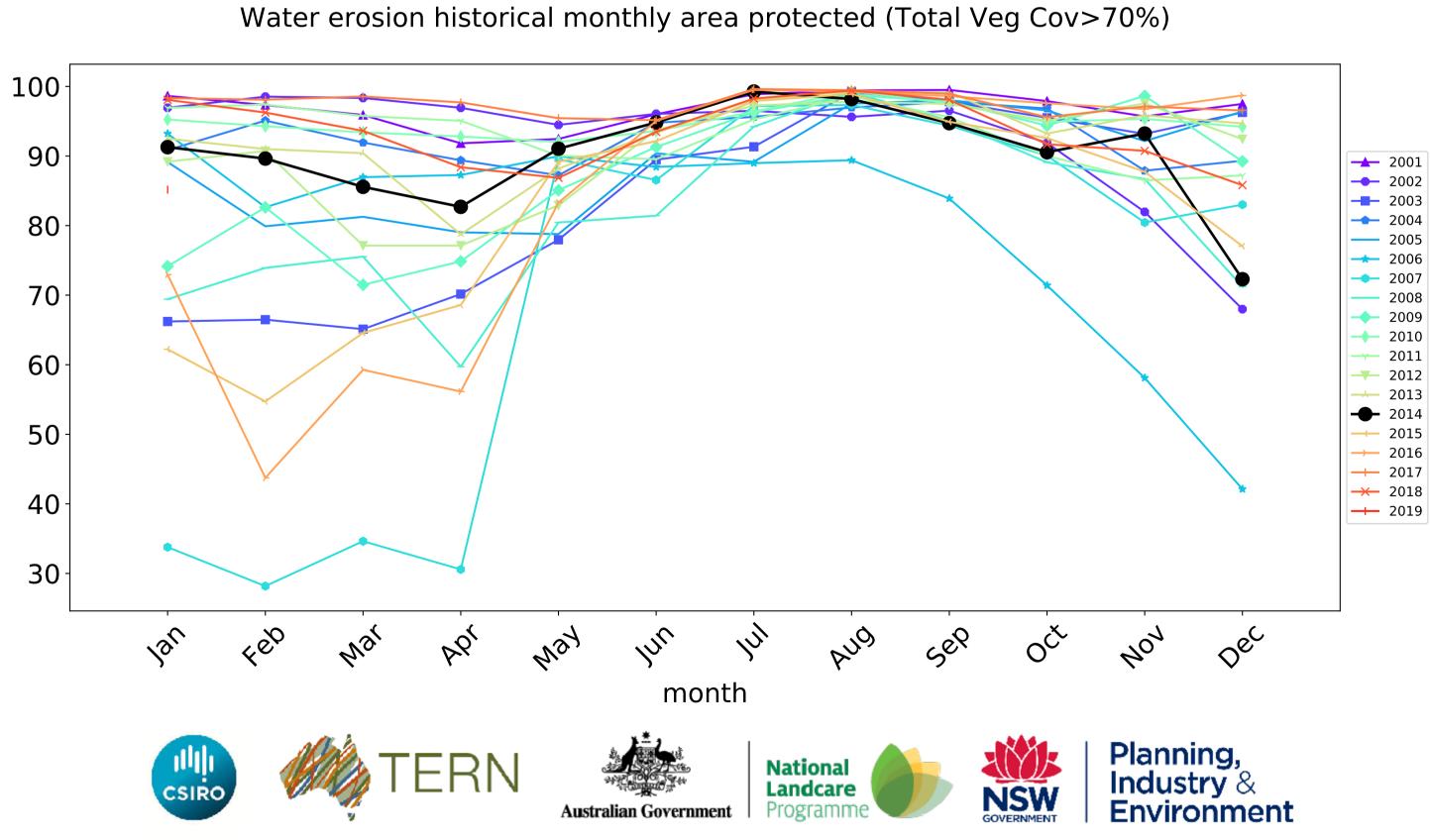


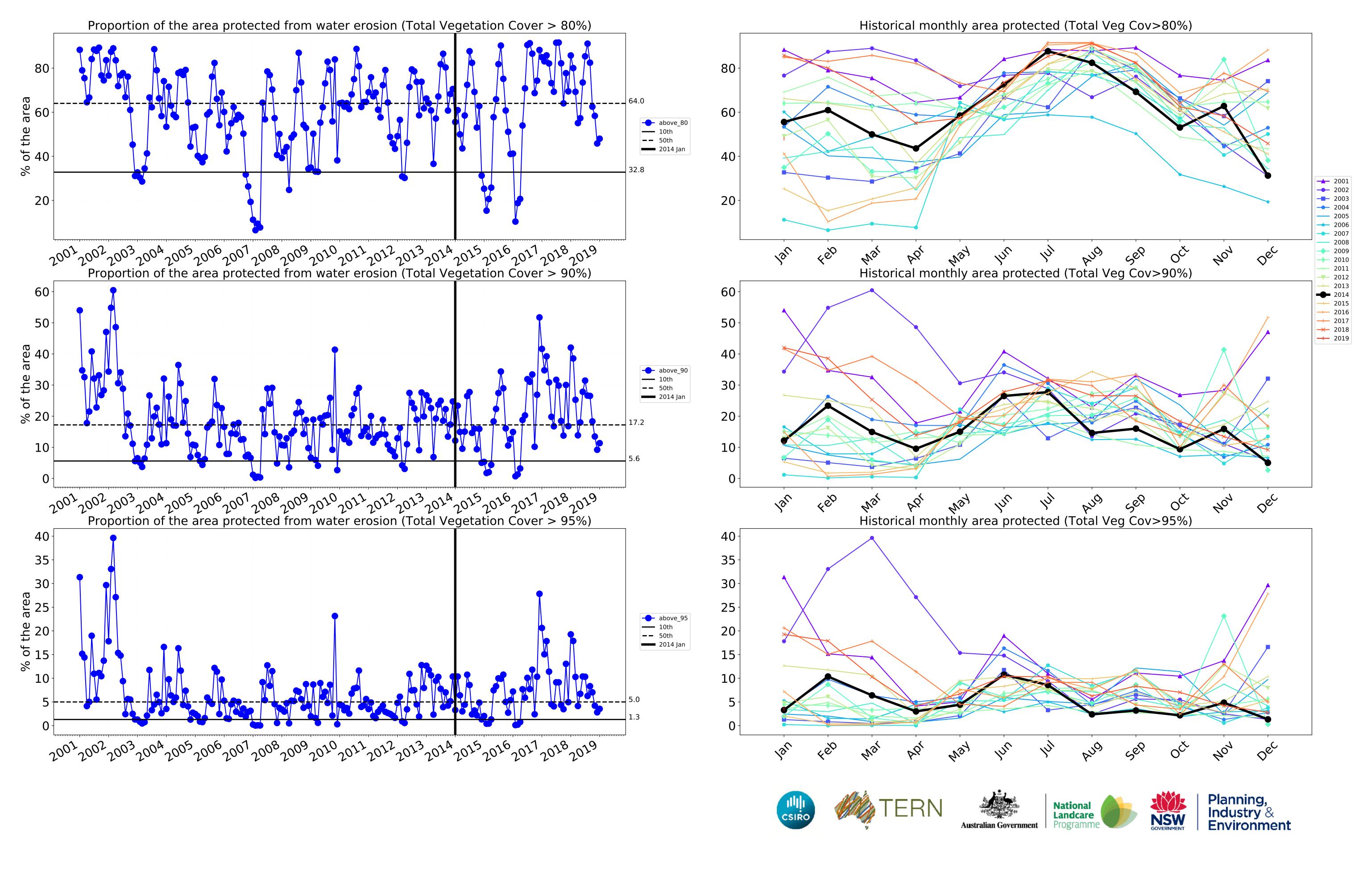
#### **Cropping timeseries**











#### **Irrigation**

#### **Land use and forest cover**

1 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 2 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated 3 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated

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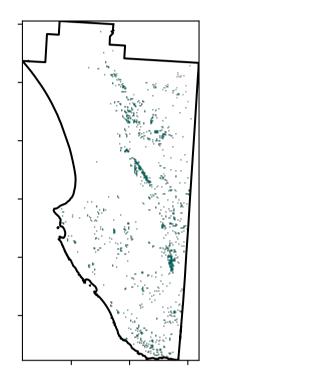
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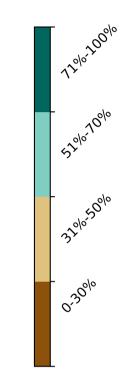
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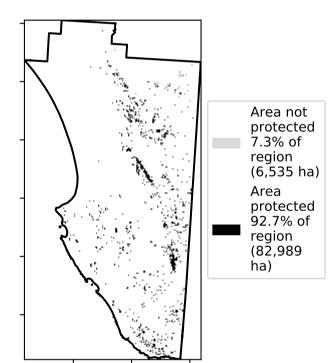
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#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



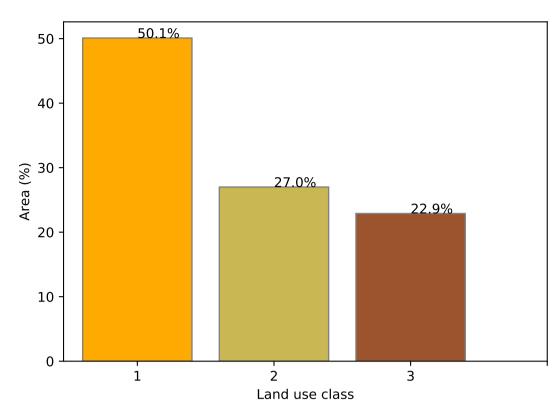


#### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

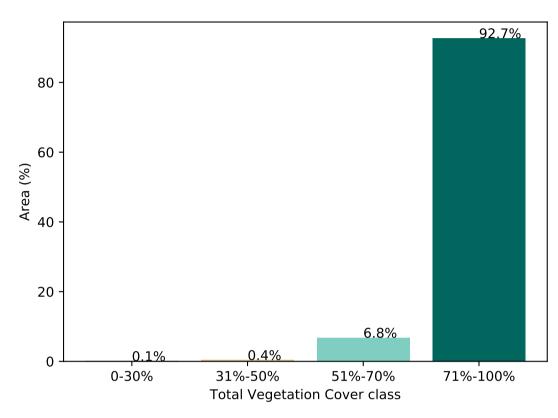


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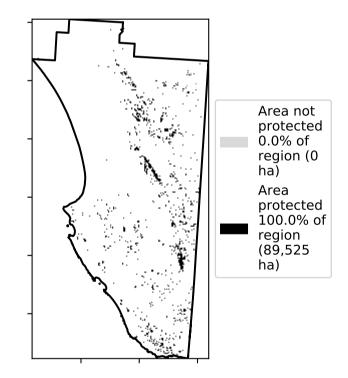
#### Proportion of each land class in area



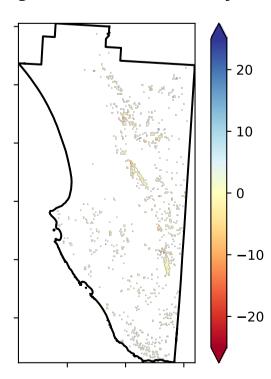
#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



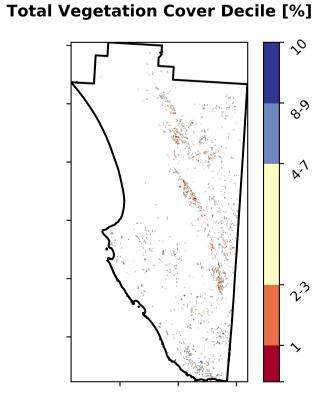
#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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



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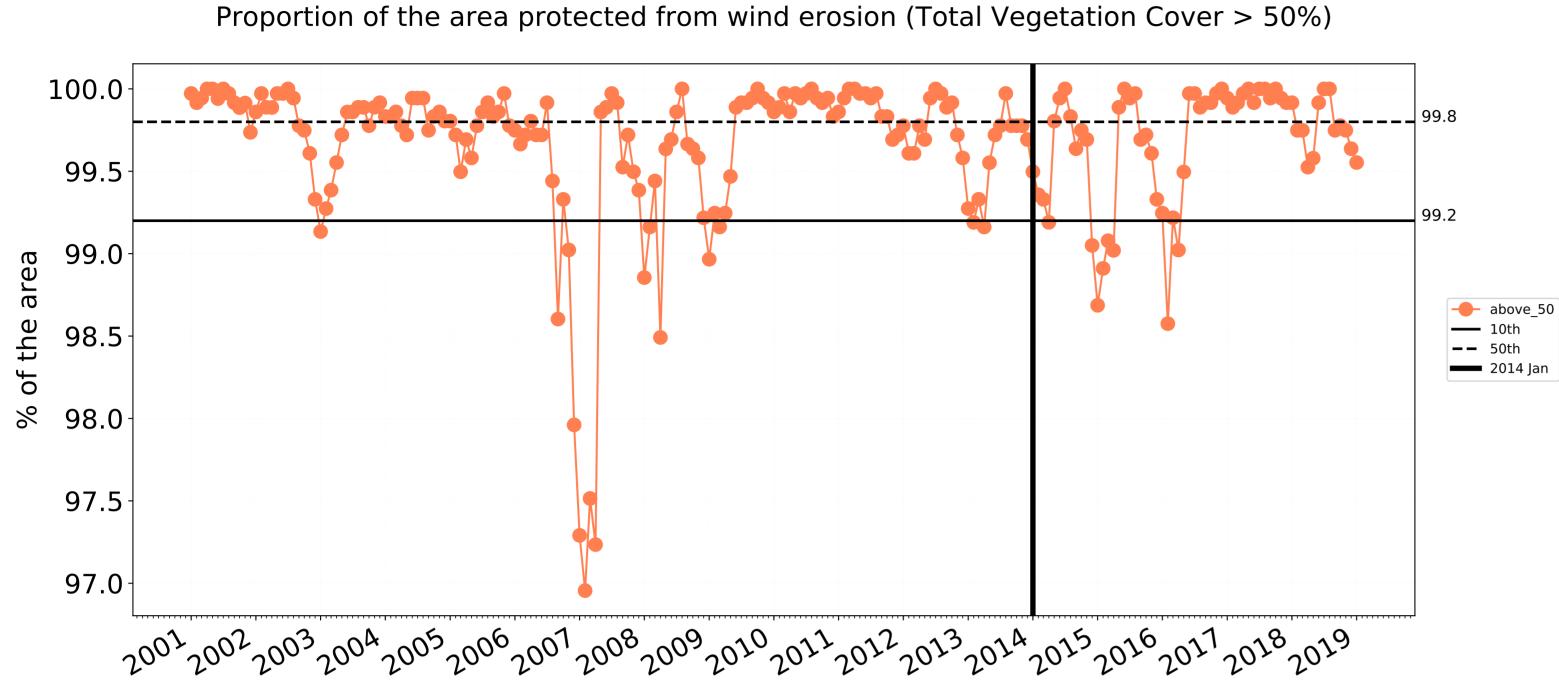




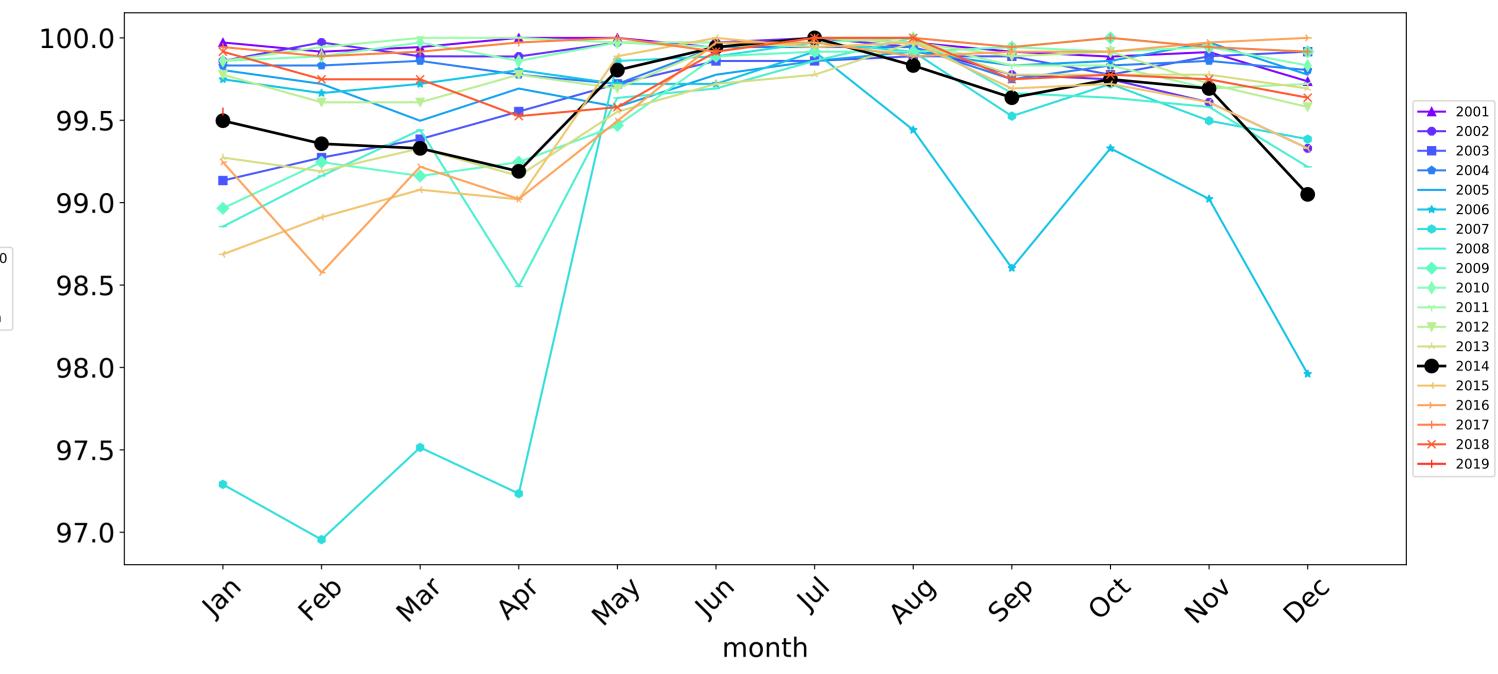


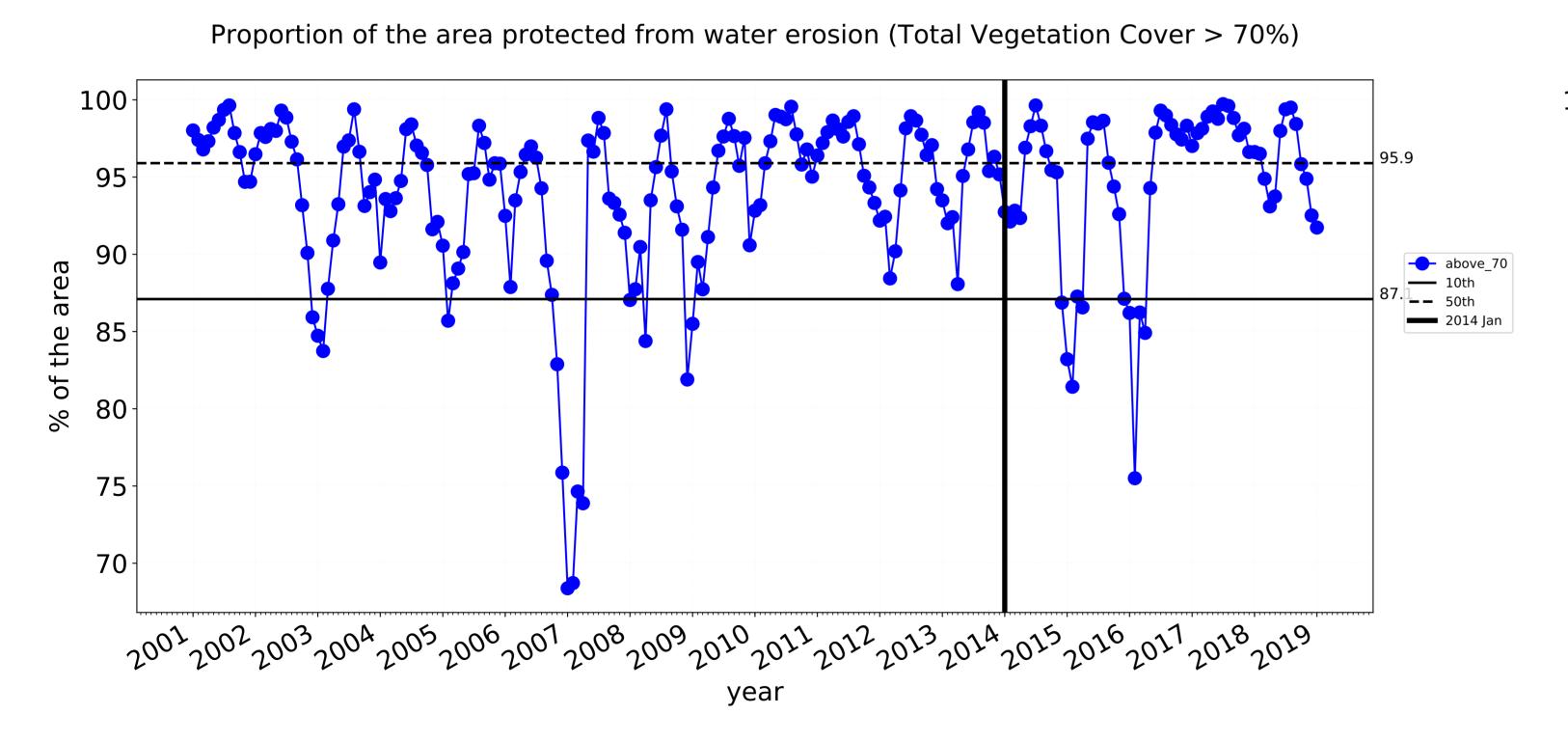


## Irrigation timeseries

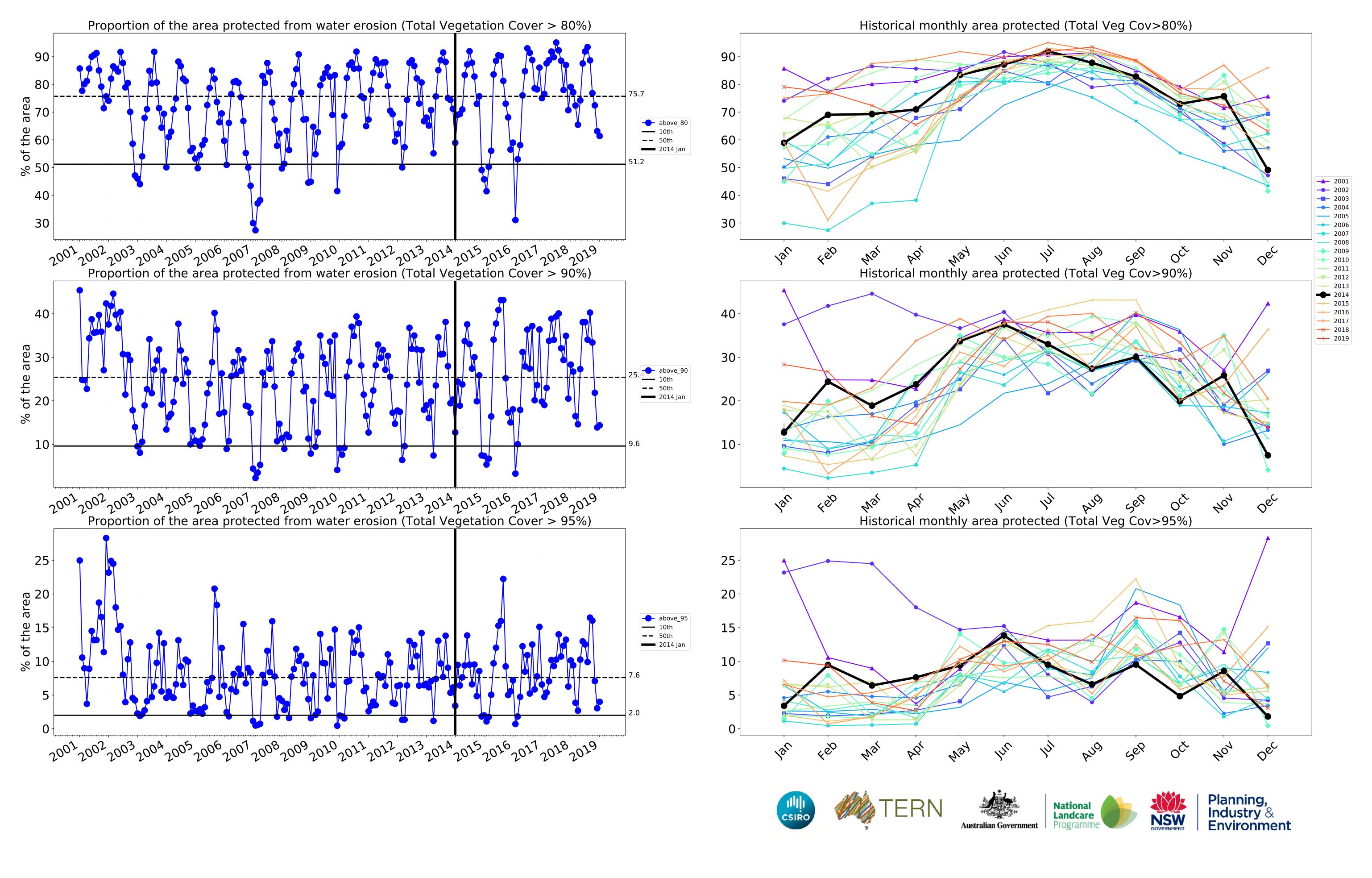








## Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%) 100 95 2001 2002 2003 2004 90 \_\_\_\_ 2005 2009 85 → 2010 2011 2012 2013 80 **---** 2014 → 2015 **→** 2016 <del>----</del> 2017 75 <del>×</del> 2018 <del>----</del> 2019 70month Planning, Industry & Environment NSW GOVERNMENT National Landcare



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

#### **Land use and forest cover**

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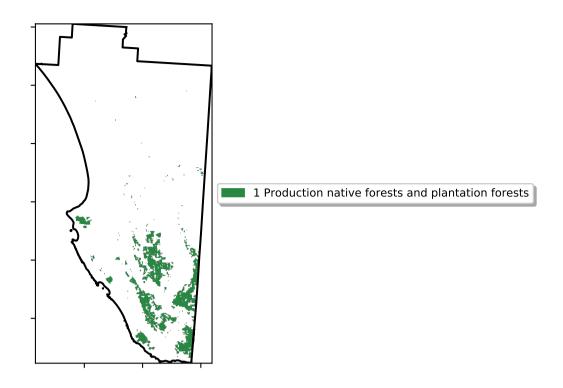
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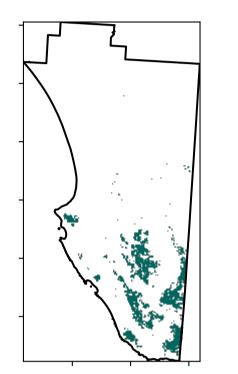
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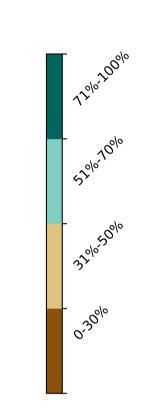
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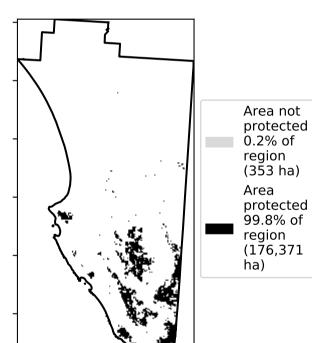


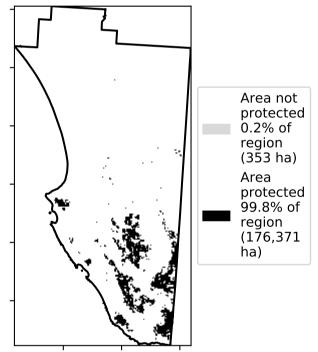
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

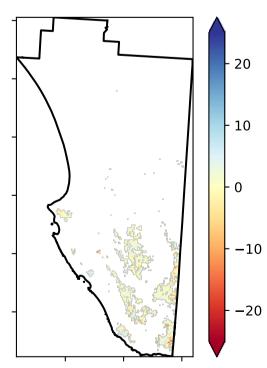




## % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

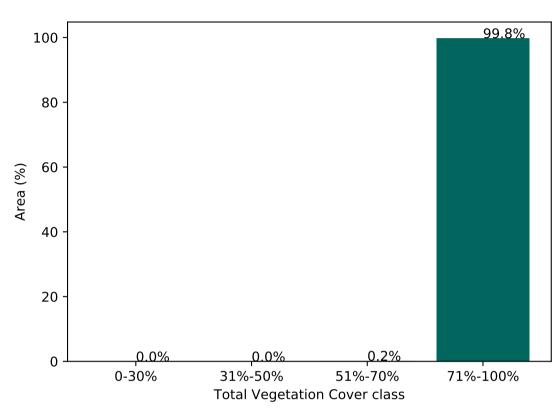




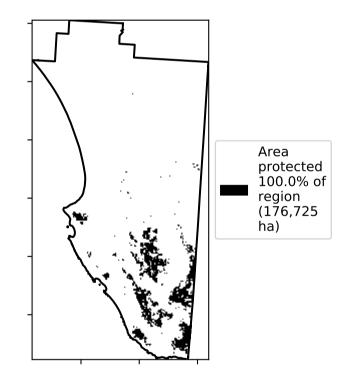


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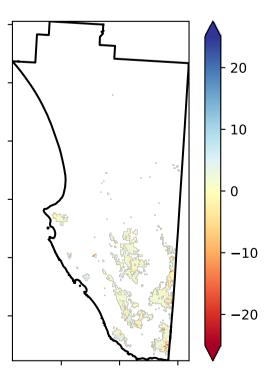
#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

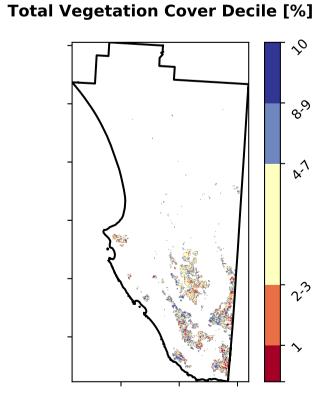


#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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











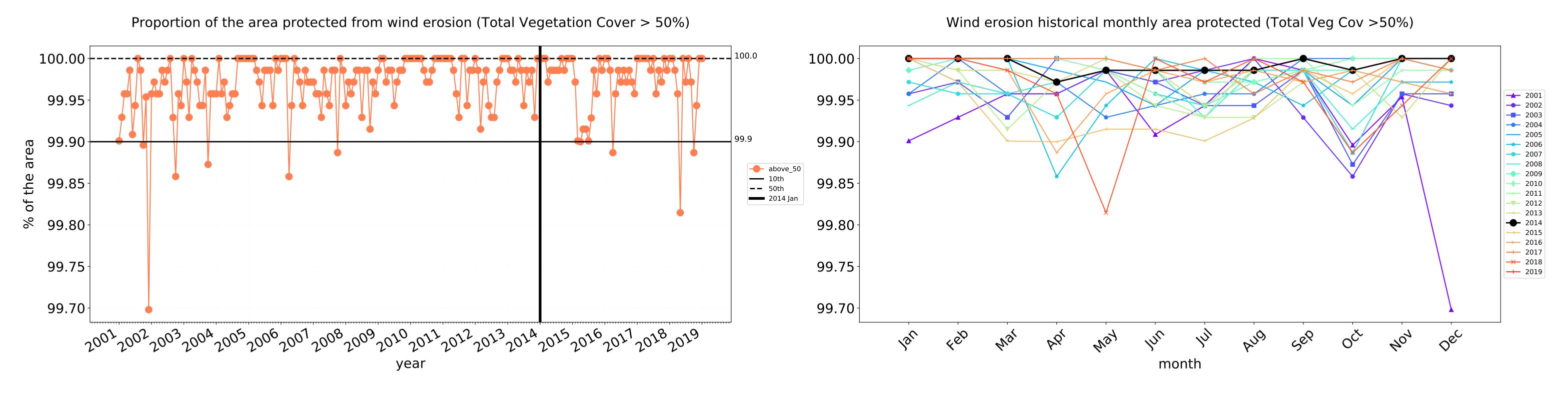


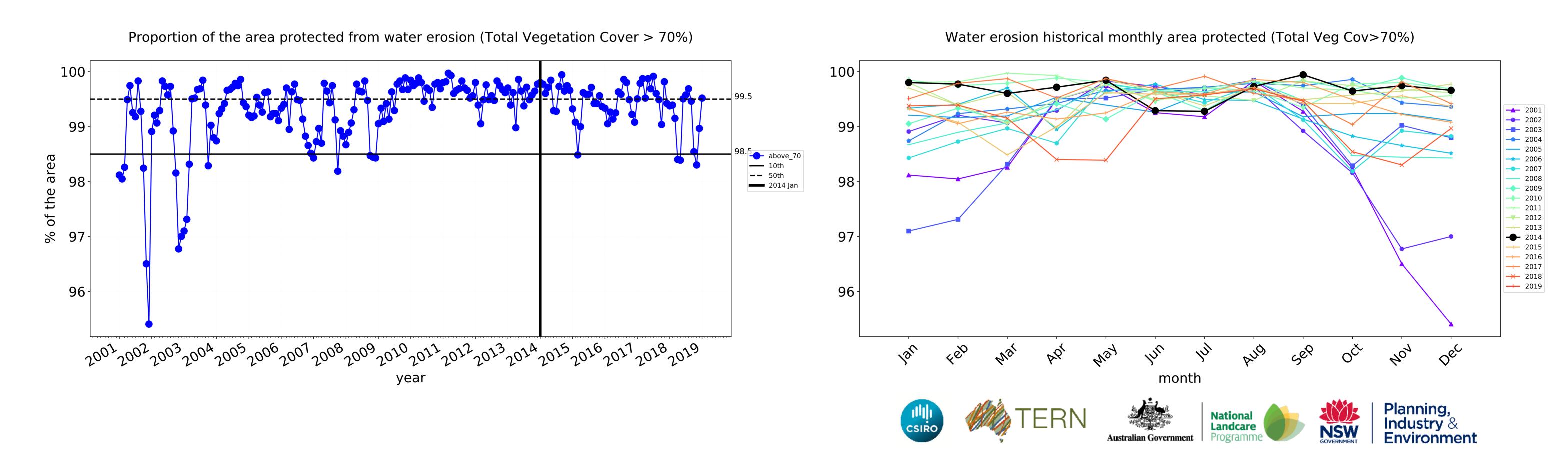


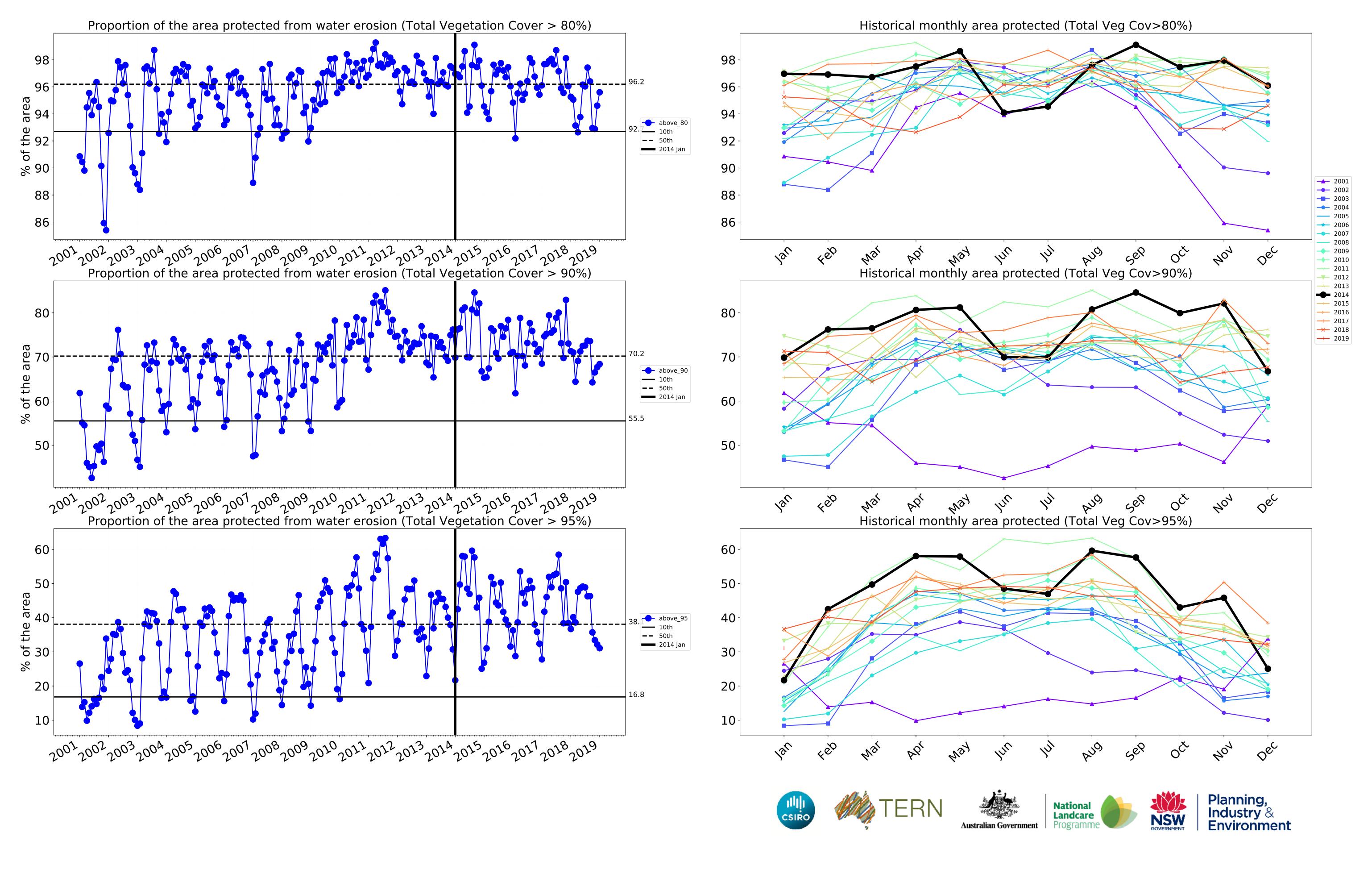




## **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**







# South East (2,647,250 ha and no data 39,855 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	2,647,250	100.0% 2,646,074	99.6% 2,635,699	94.2% 2,493,813	75.5% 1,998,575	27.5% 728,430	7.1% 188,414
Conservation and natural environments	333,175	99.9% 332,700	98.9% 329,400	90.3% 300,825	67.2% 223,850	17.8% 59,400	3.0% 10,100
Conservation and natural environments non forest	166,225	99.7% 165,750	97.9% 162,800	87.3% 145,100	56.0% 93,150	9.1% 15,200	2.0% 3,400
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	123,500	100.0% 123,500	99.7% 123,150	91.7% 113,225	77.4% 95,550	29.9% 36,950	4.9% 6,050
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	43,450	100.0% 43,450	100.0% 43,450	97.8% 42,500	80.9% 35,150	16.7% 7,250	1.5% 650
Agriculture	2,005,475	100.0% 2,005,125	99.7% 1,998,525	94.3% 1,891,650	74.9% 1,501,900	25.3% 507,025	6.2% 125,175
Grazing	1,648,425	100.0% 1,648,175	99.6% 1,642,625	94.9% 1,564,350	78.9% 1,300,475	28.1% 463,200	6.9% 113,350
Grazing non forest	1,640,825	100.0% 1,640,575	99.6% 1,635,025	94.9% 1,557,000	78.8% 1,293,200	28.0% 459,225	6.9% 112,575
Cropping	265,975	100.0% 265,925	99.7% 265,275	91.3% 242,775	55.6% 147,775	12.2% 32,325	3.3% 8,750
Irrigation	89,525	99.9% 89,475	99.5% 89,075	92.7% 83,025	58.9% 52,750	12.7% 11,400	3.4% 3,050
Production native forests and plantation forests	176,725	100.0% 176,725	100.0% 176,725	99.8% 176,375	97.0% 171,375	69.9% 123,450	21.7% 38,325











