Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM East Gippsland VIC

Date: July 2001

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.

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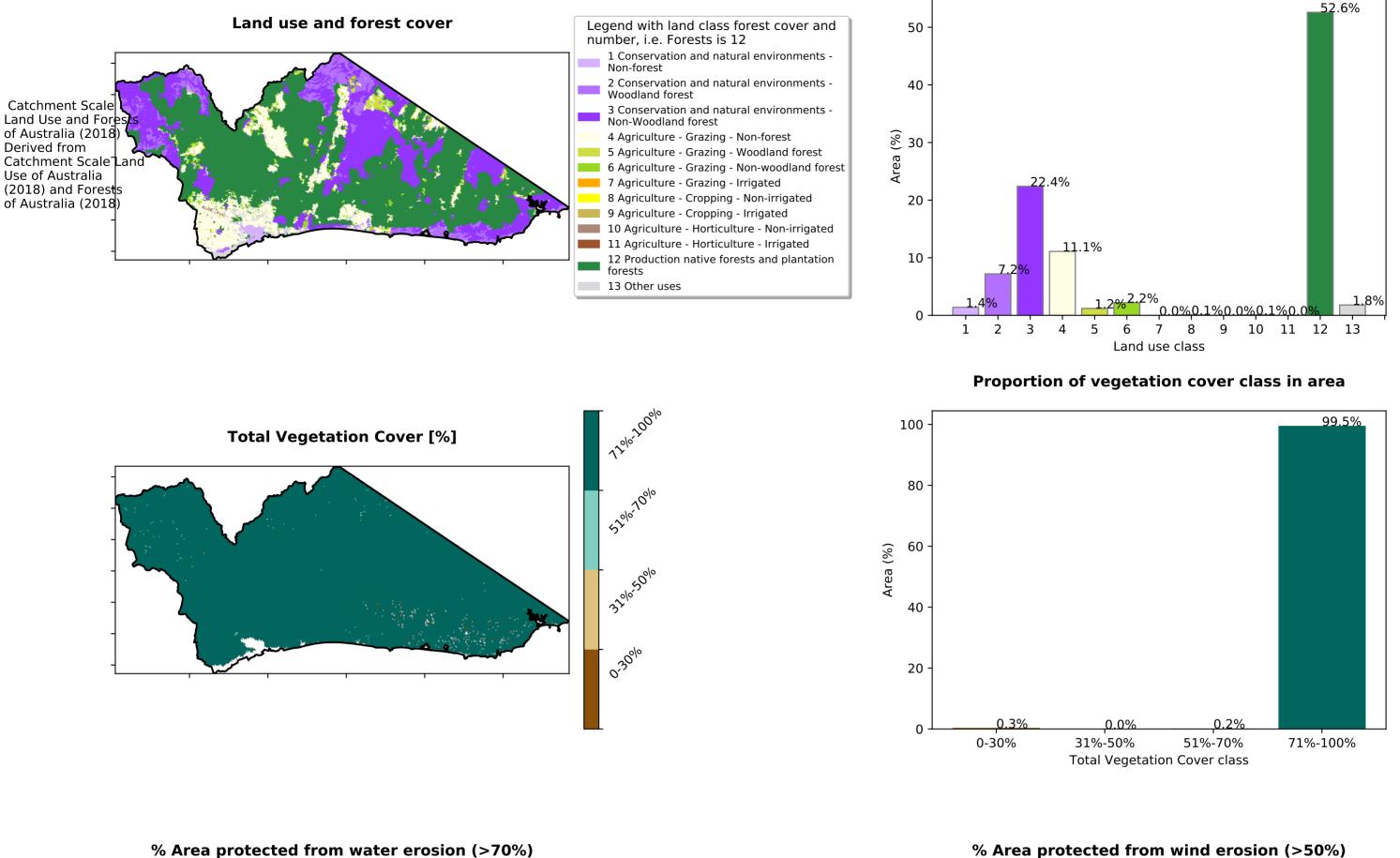
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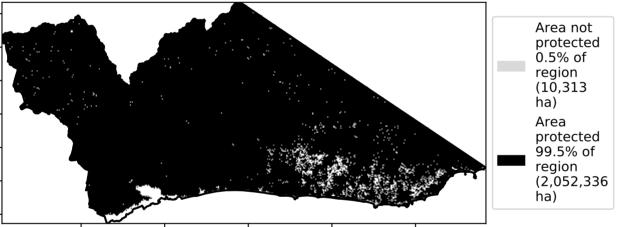


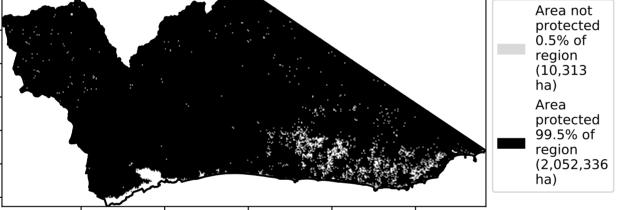
Vegetation Cover Jul 2001

Proportion of each land class in area



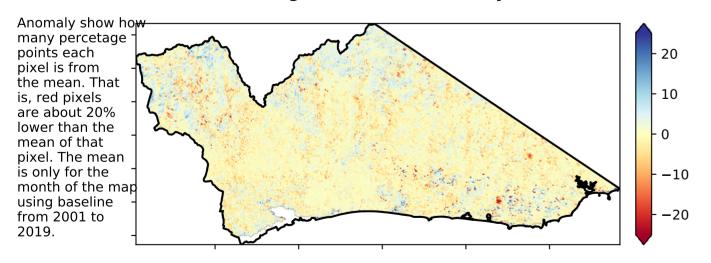
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





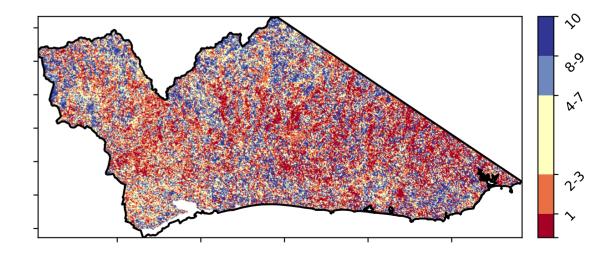


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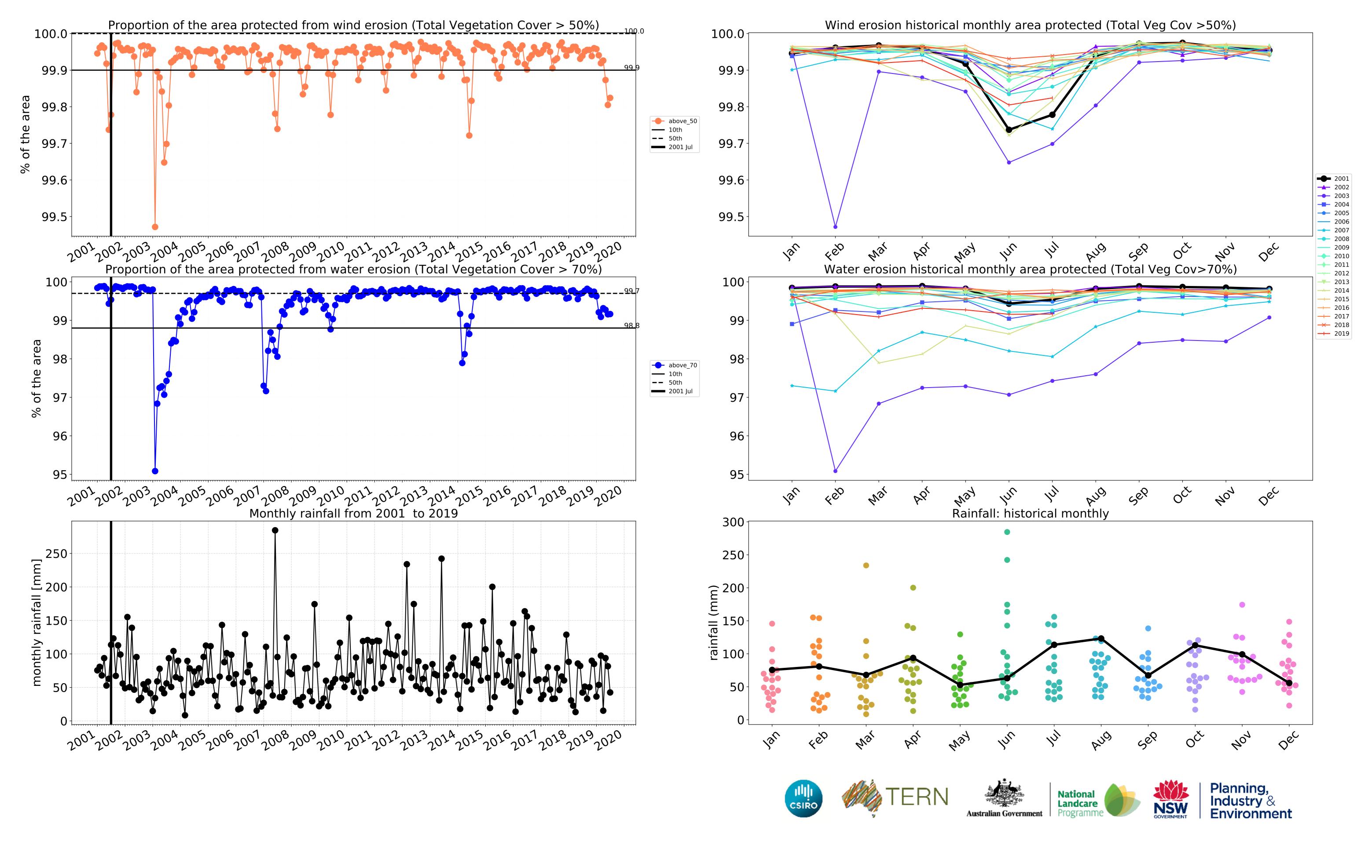


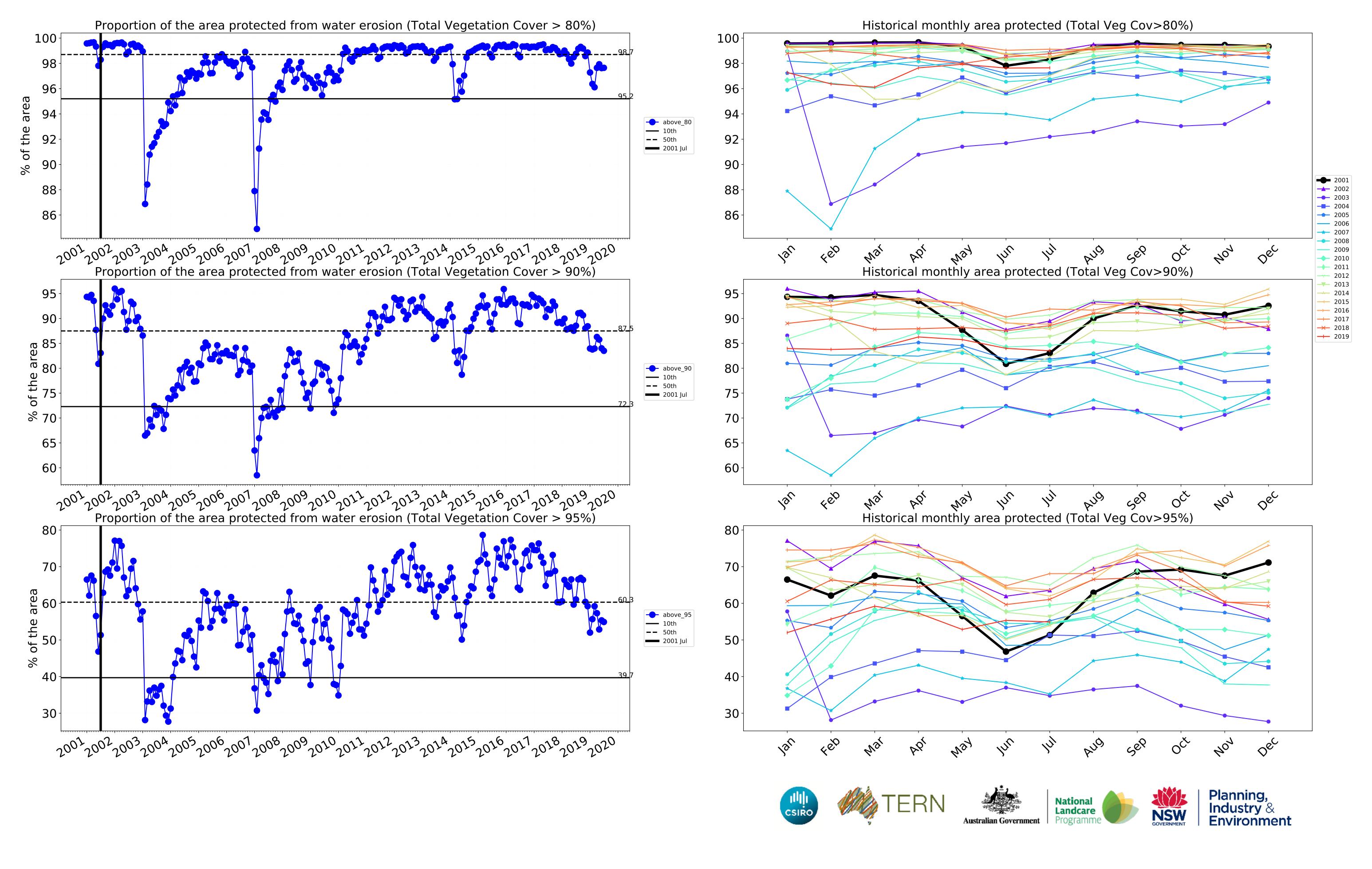
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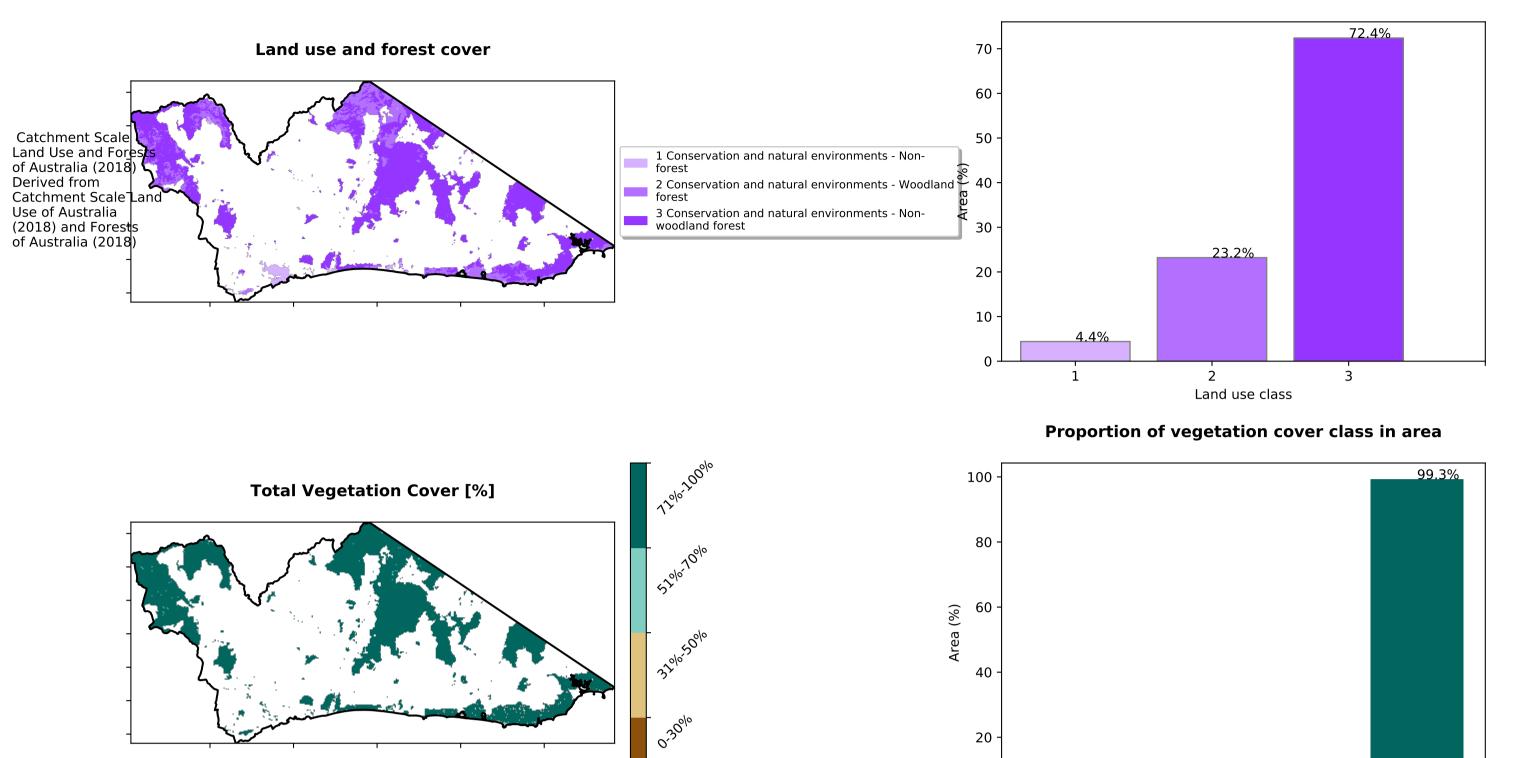






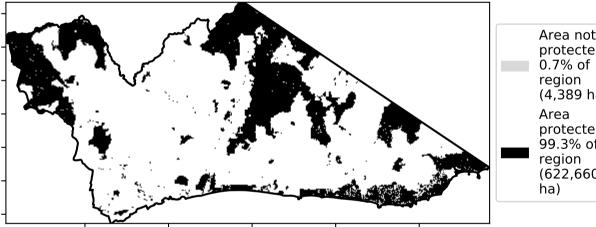


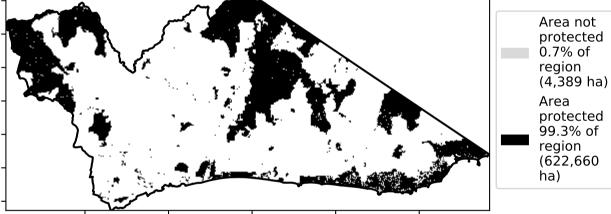
Conservation and natural environments



Proportion of each land class in area

% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







Total Vegetation Cover class

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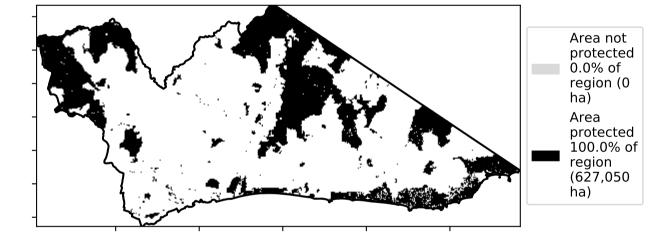
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0-30%



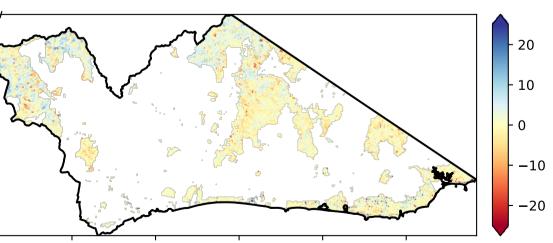
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71%-100%

51%-70%

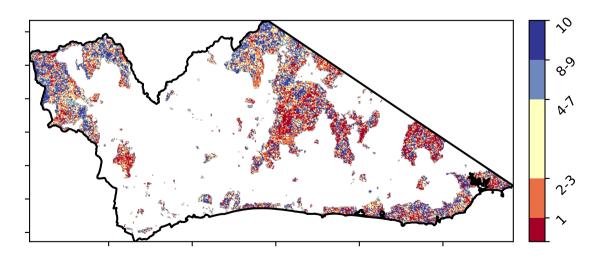
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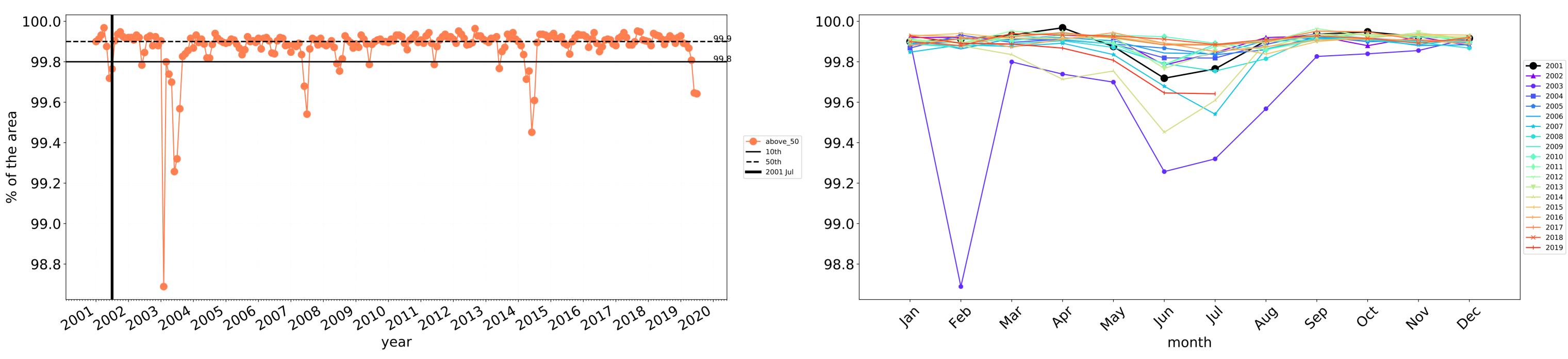


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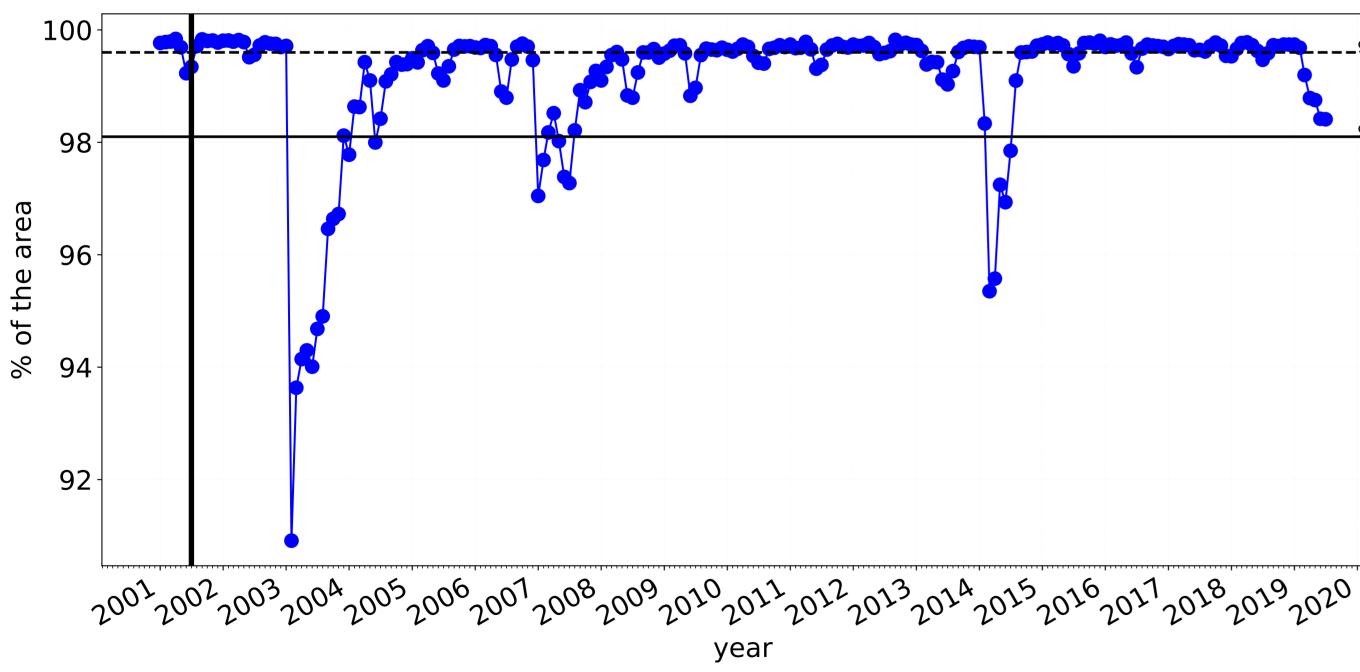






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

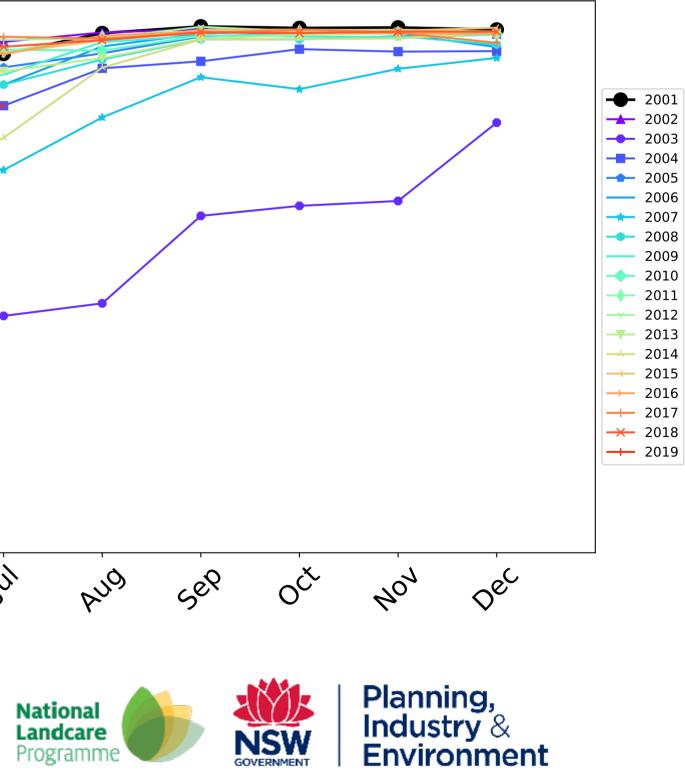
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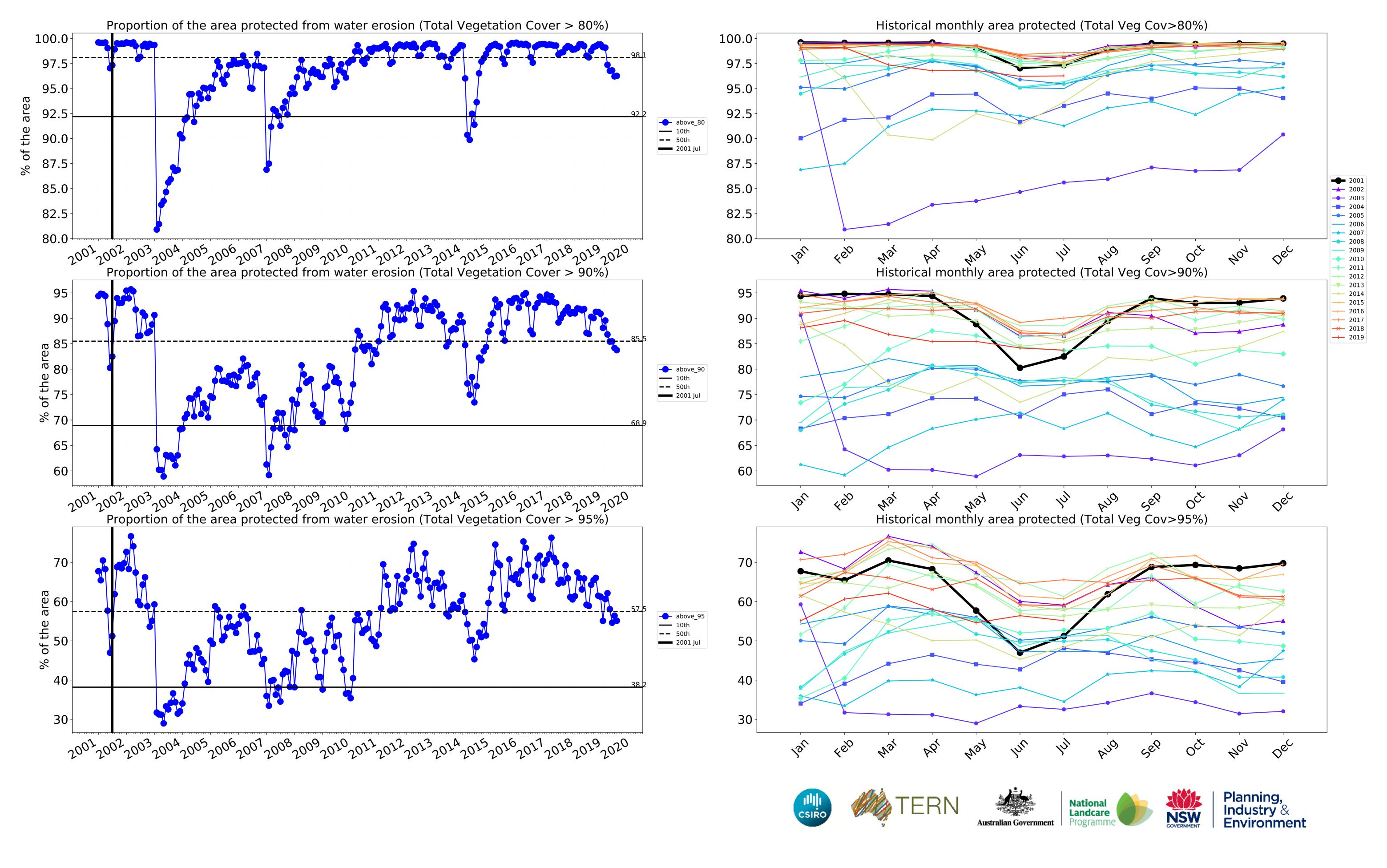


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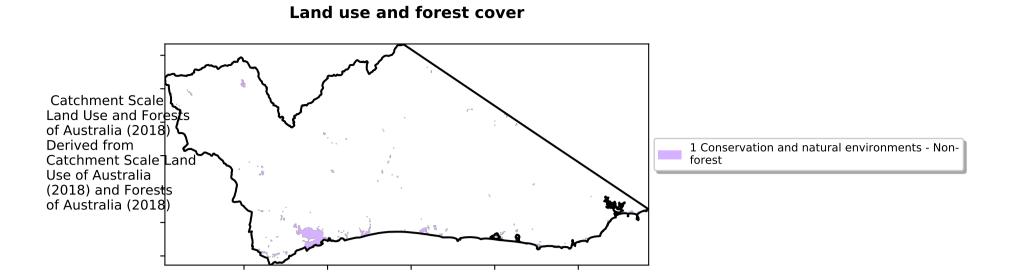
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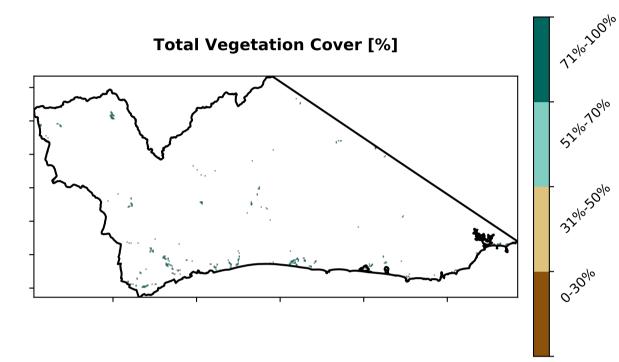
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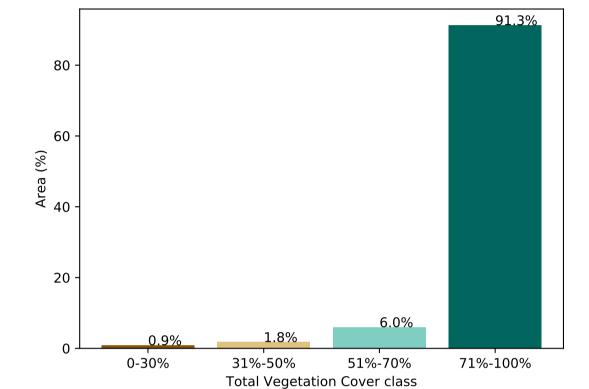


Conservation and natural environments non forest



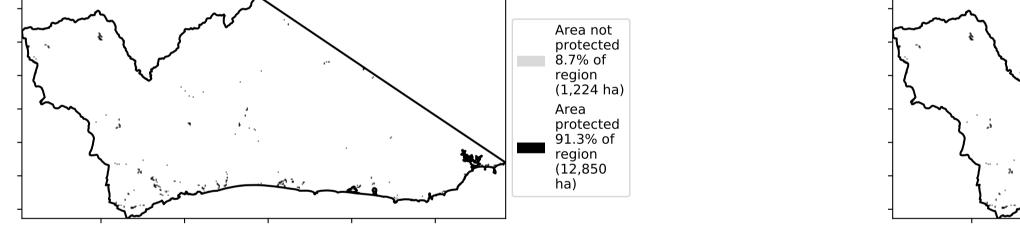


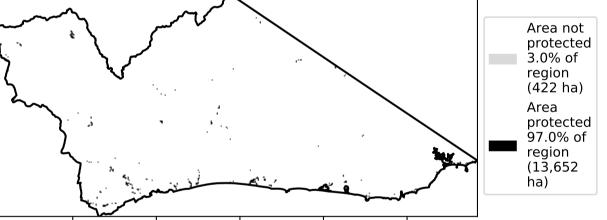
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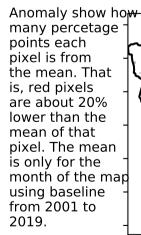
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

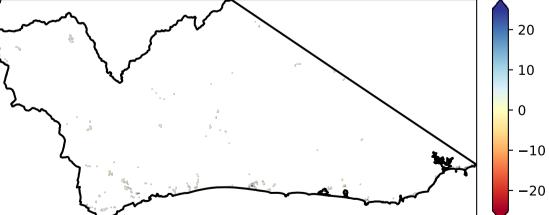
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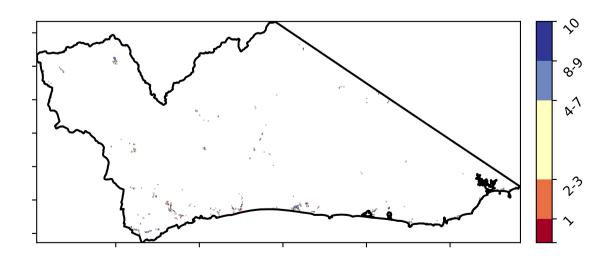
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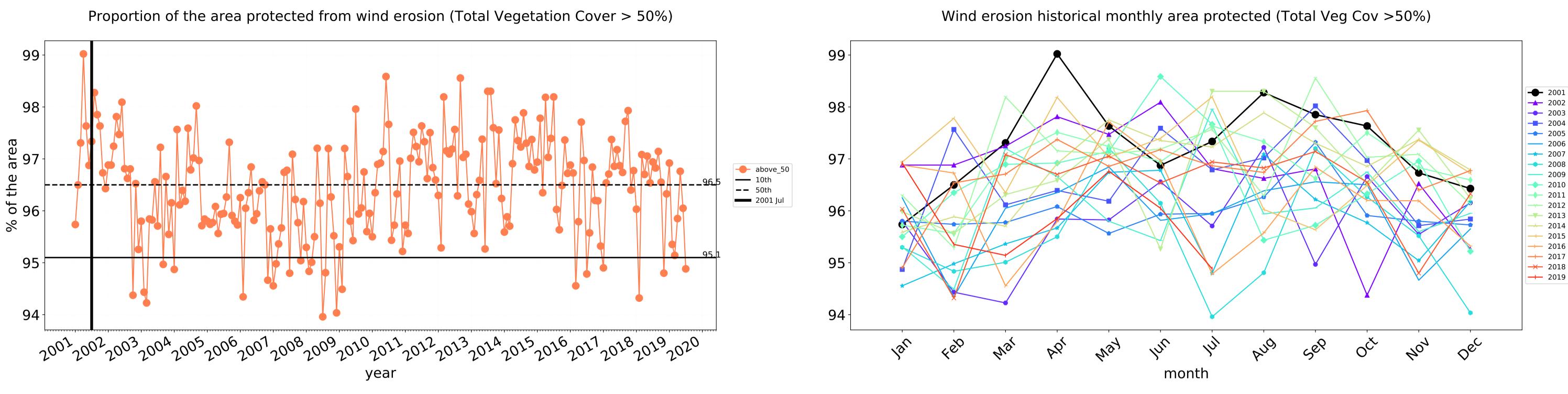


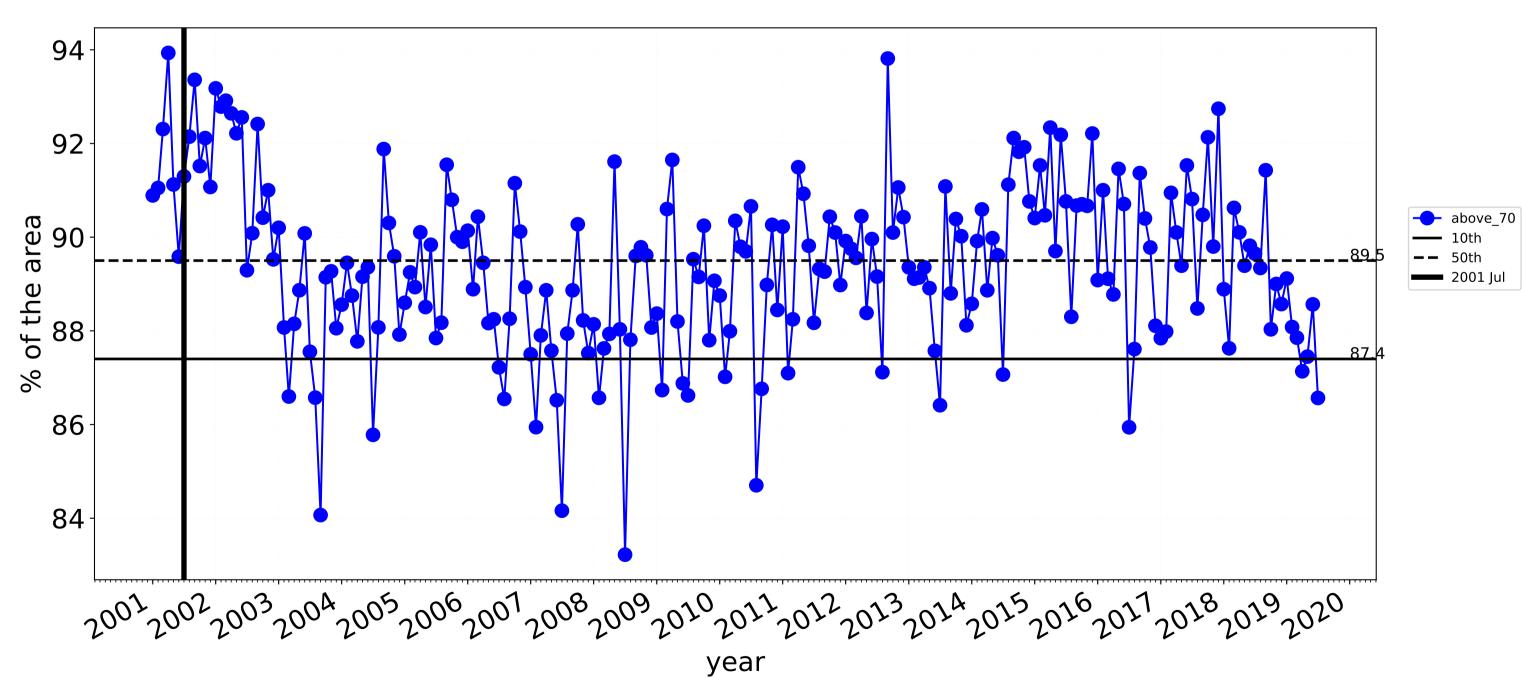
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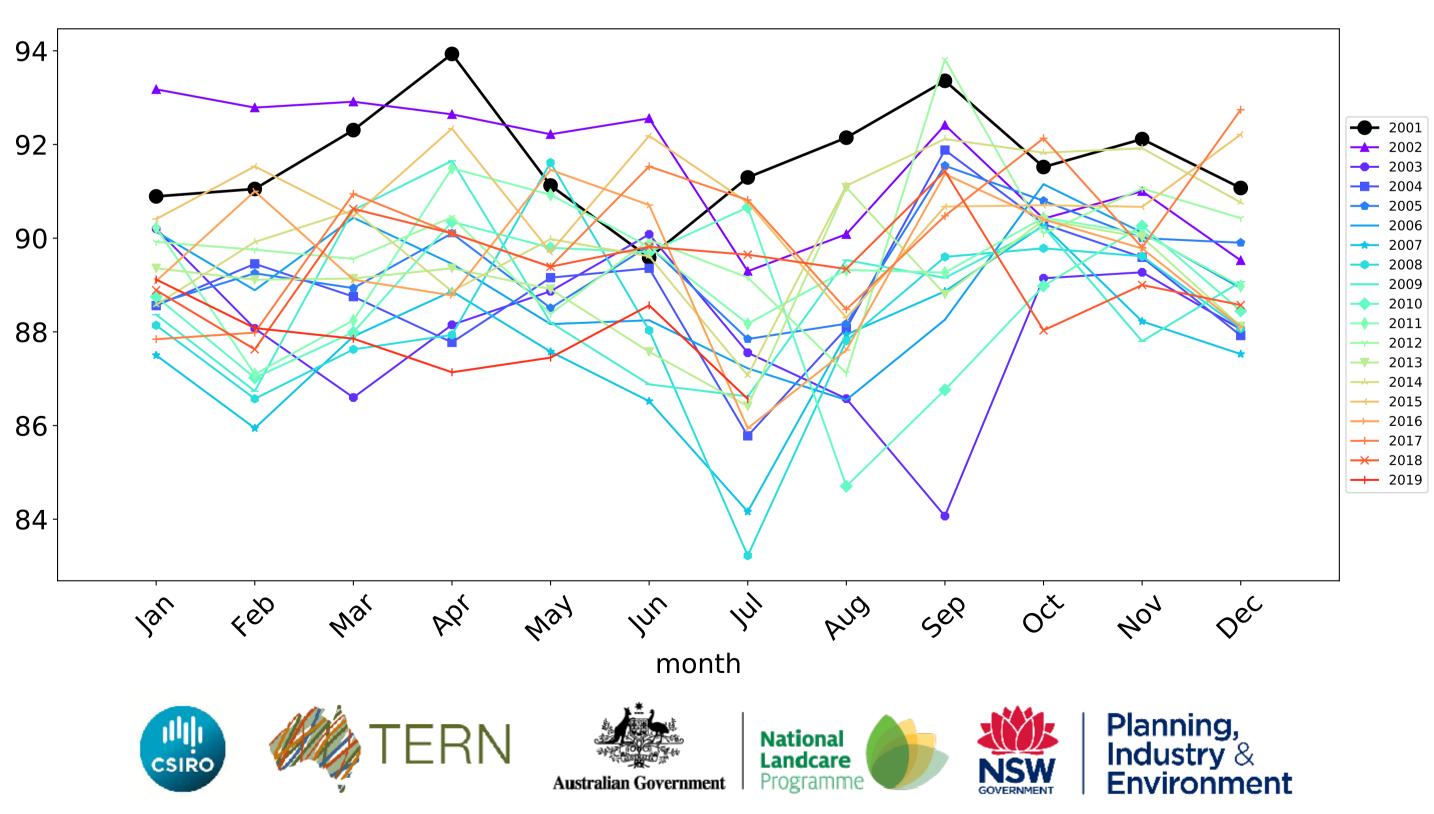


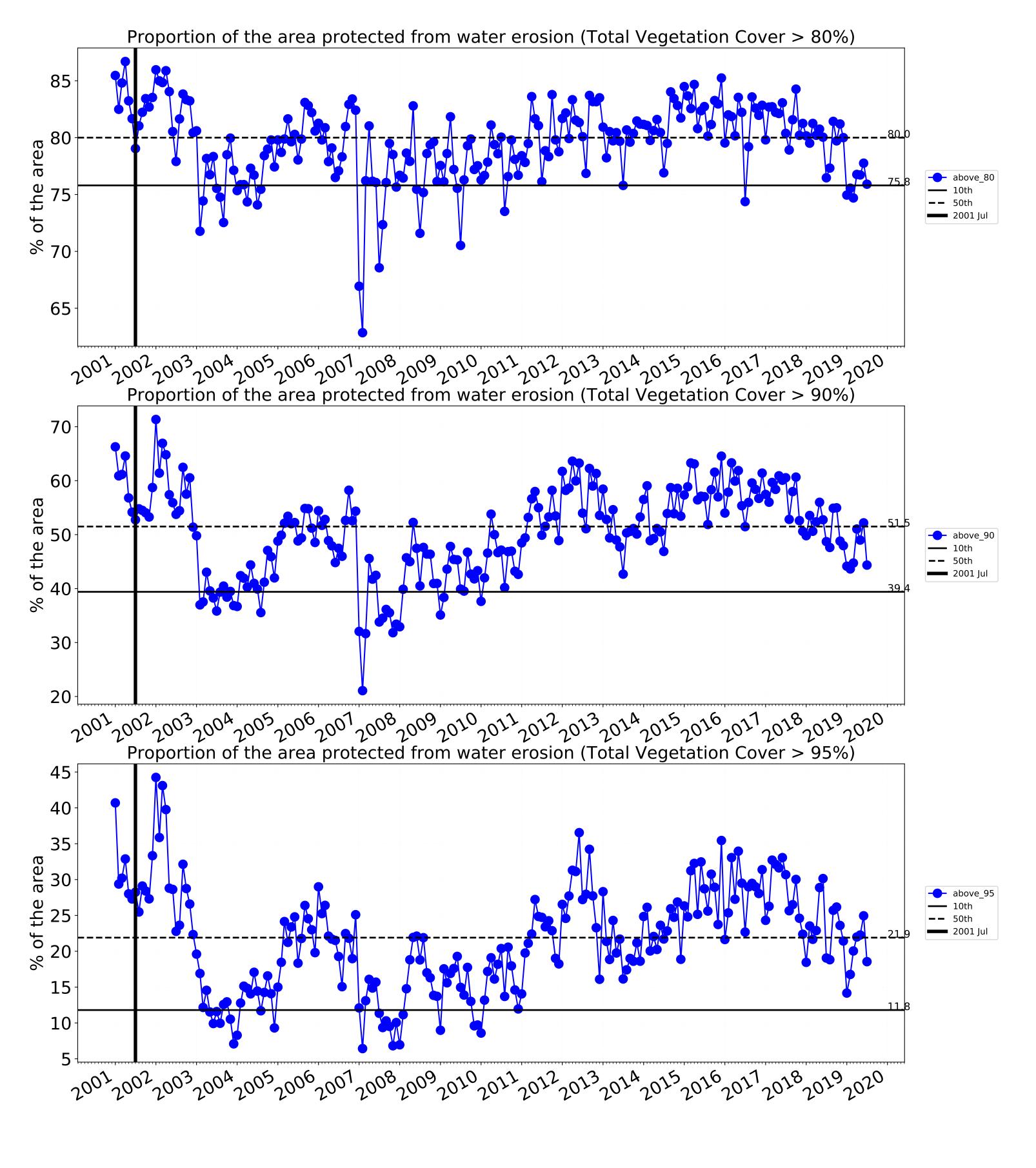


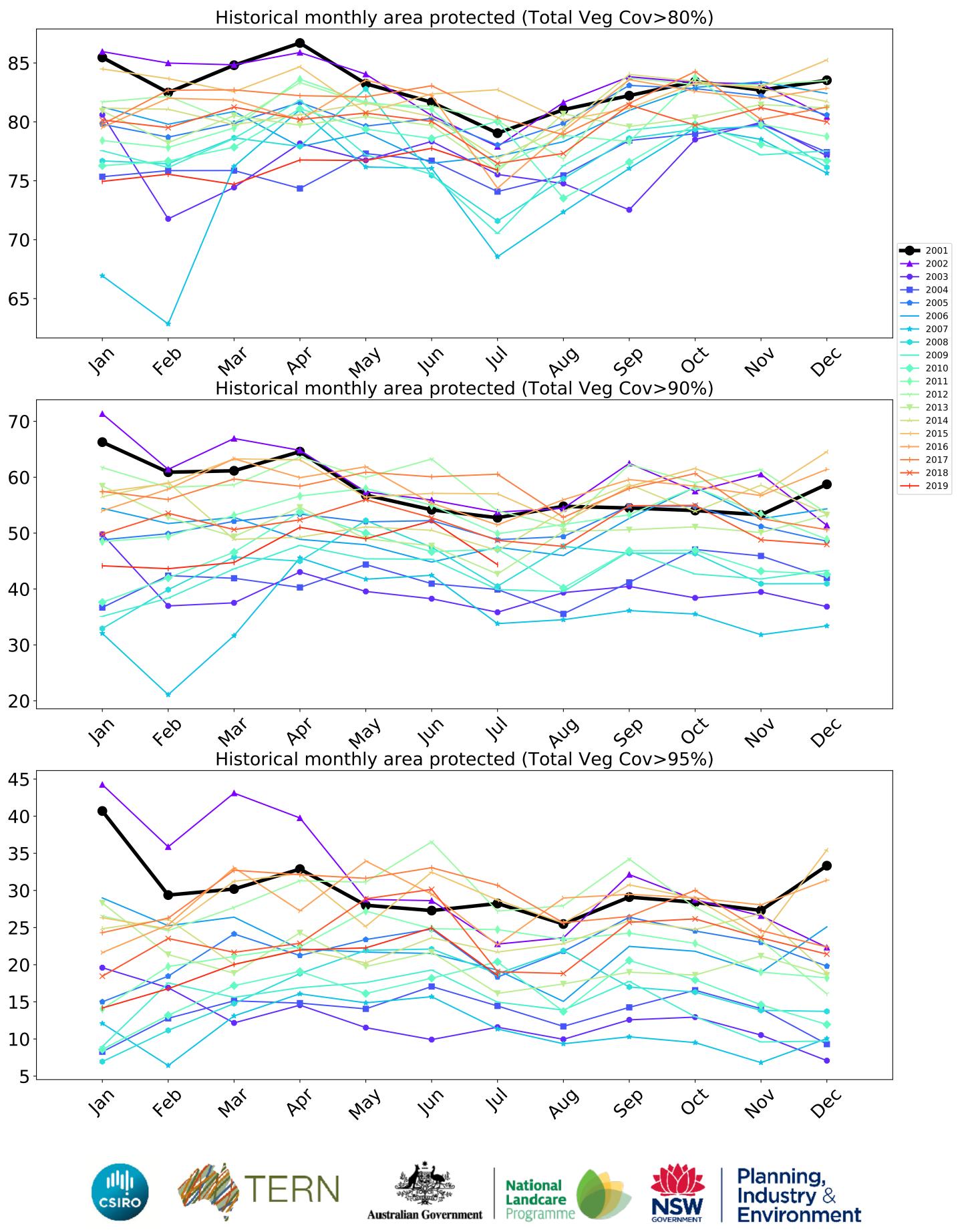




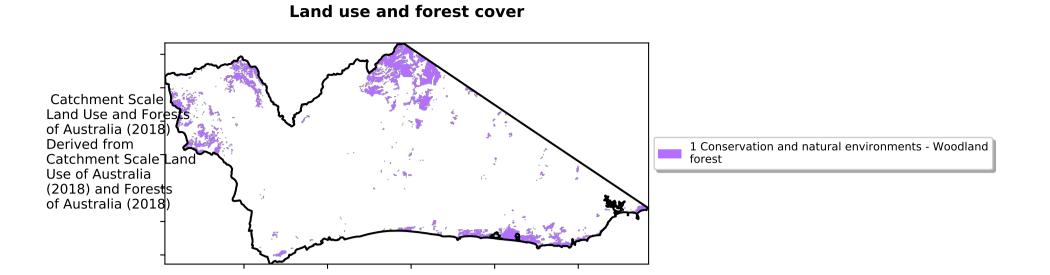
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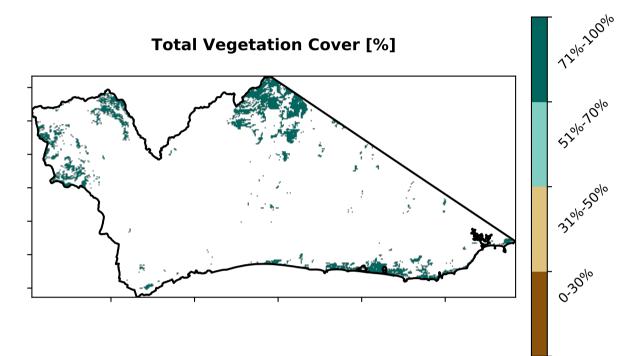




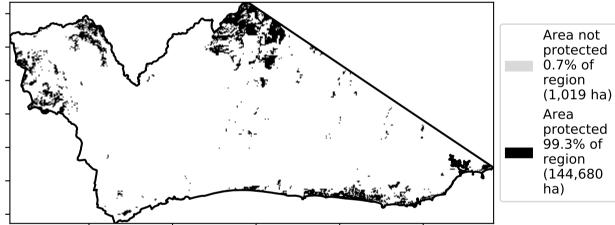


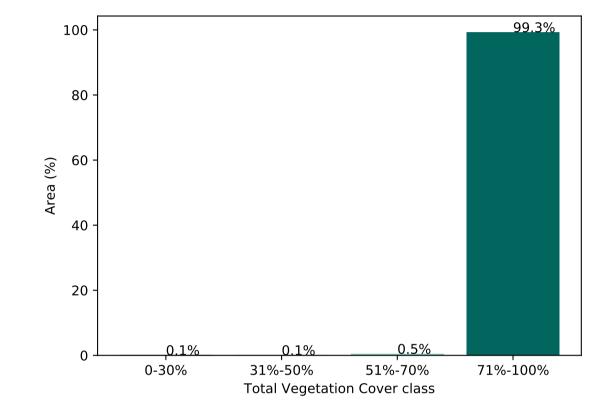
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest





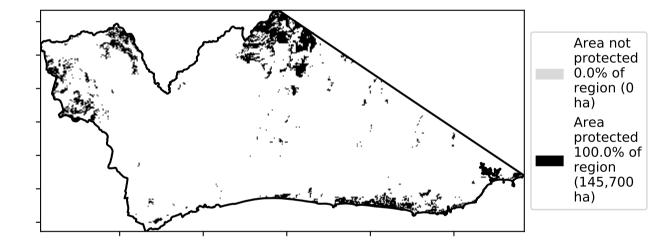
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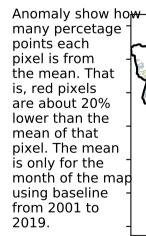


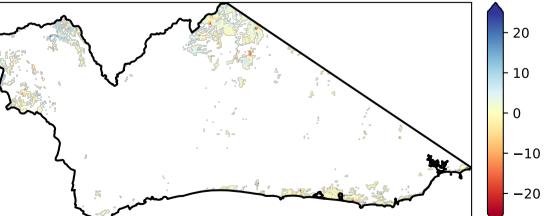
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



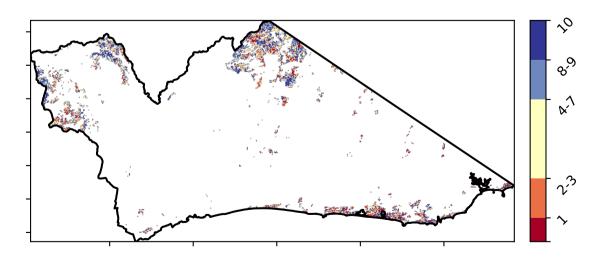
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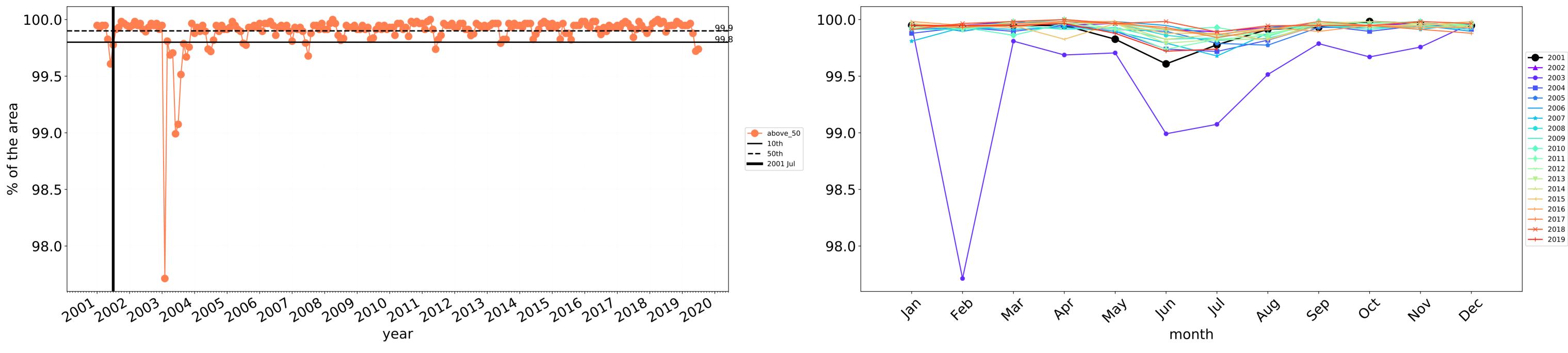


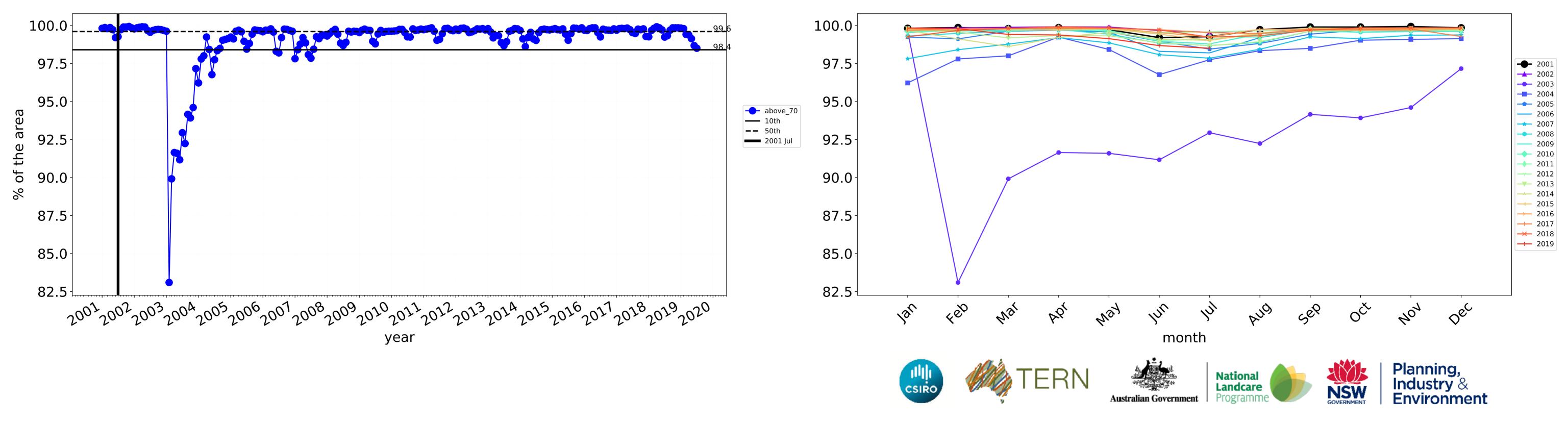
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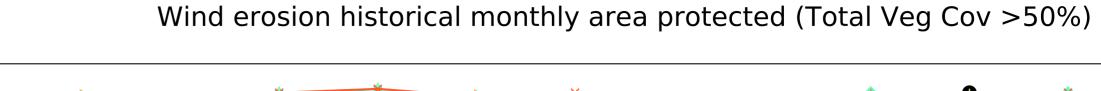
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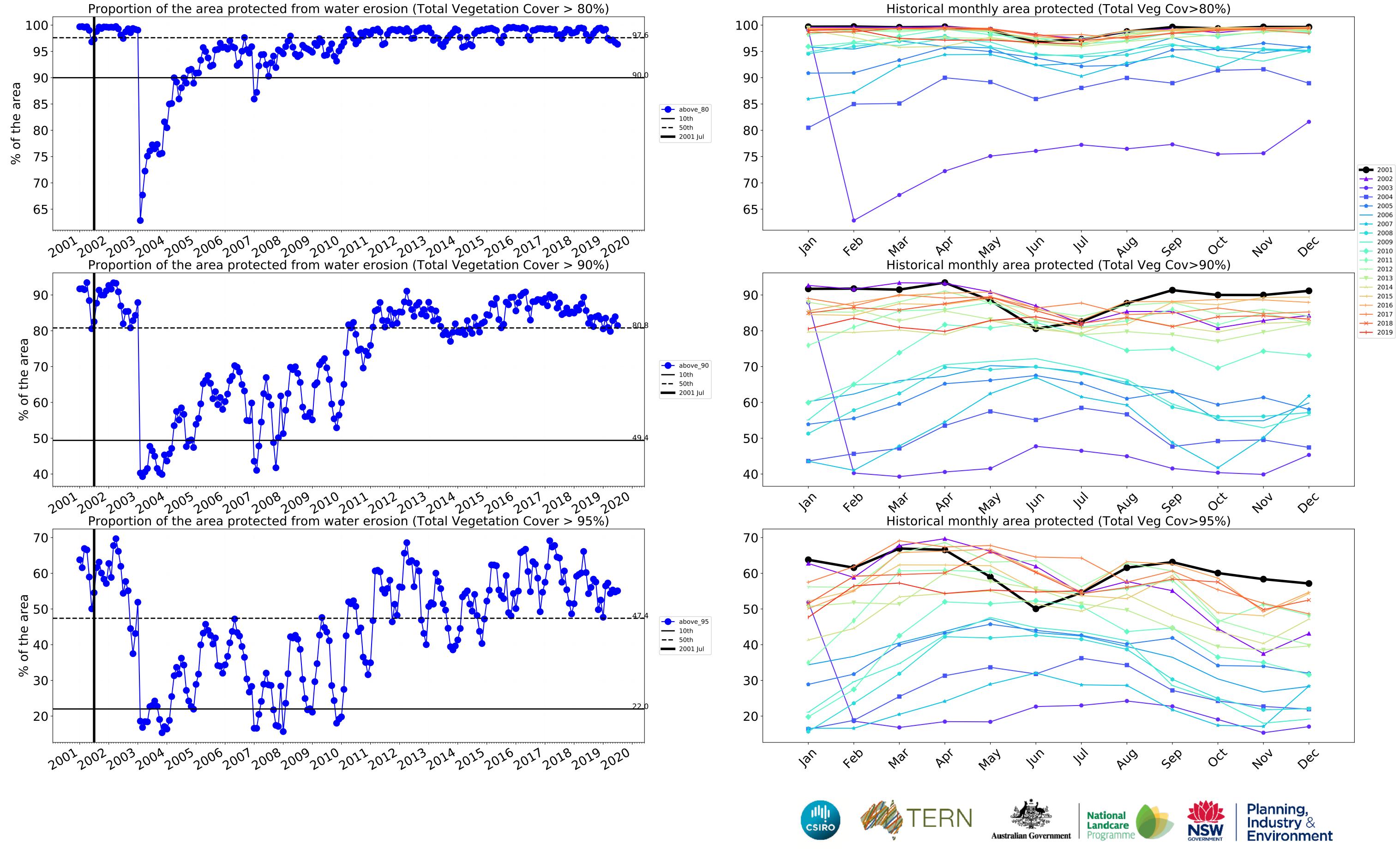




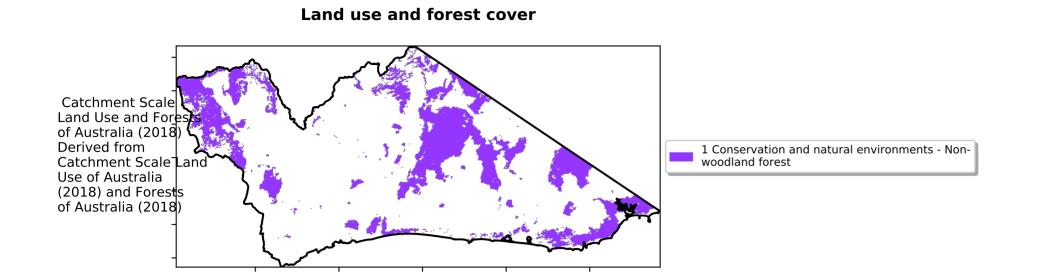




Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

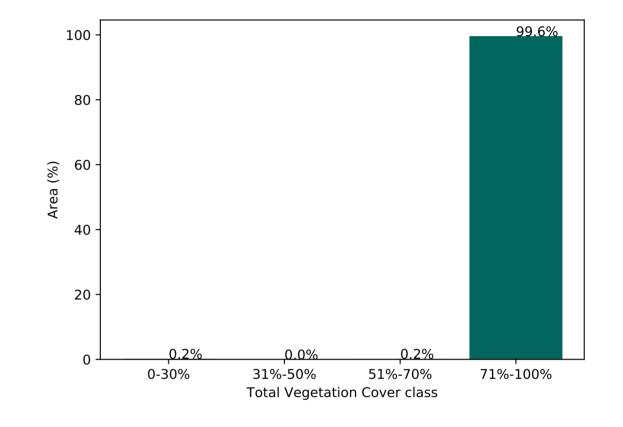


Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)



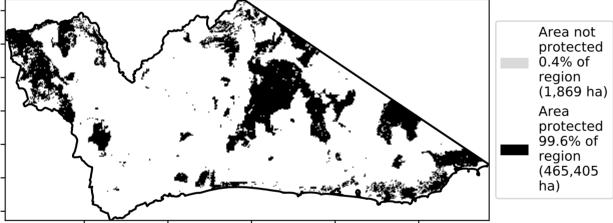
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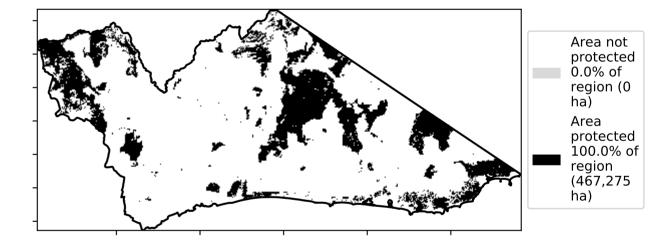
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

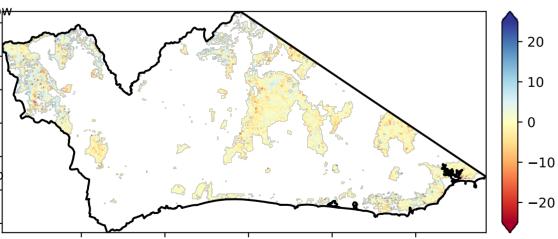
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





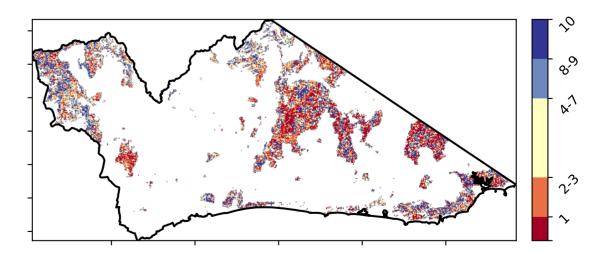
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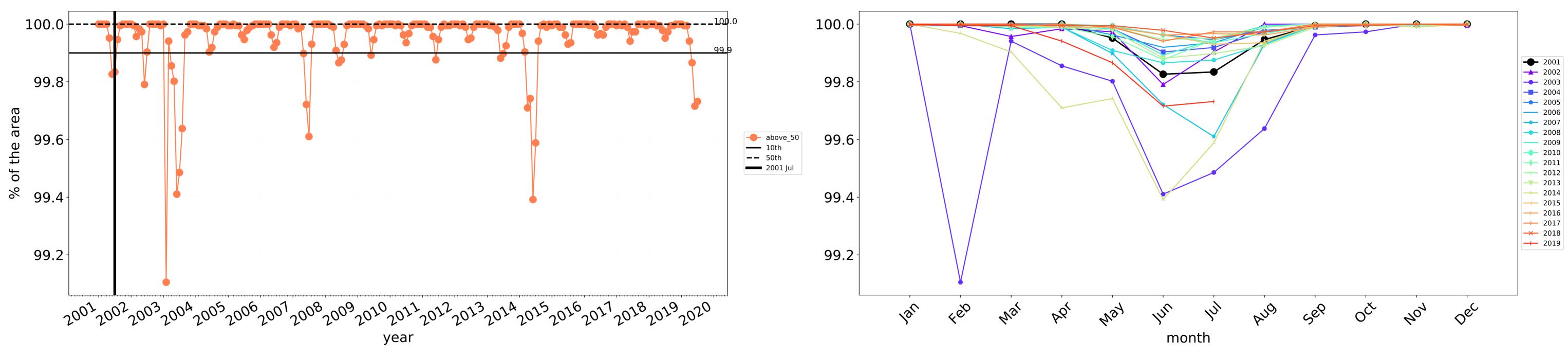
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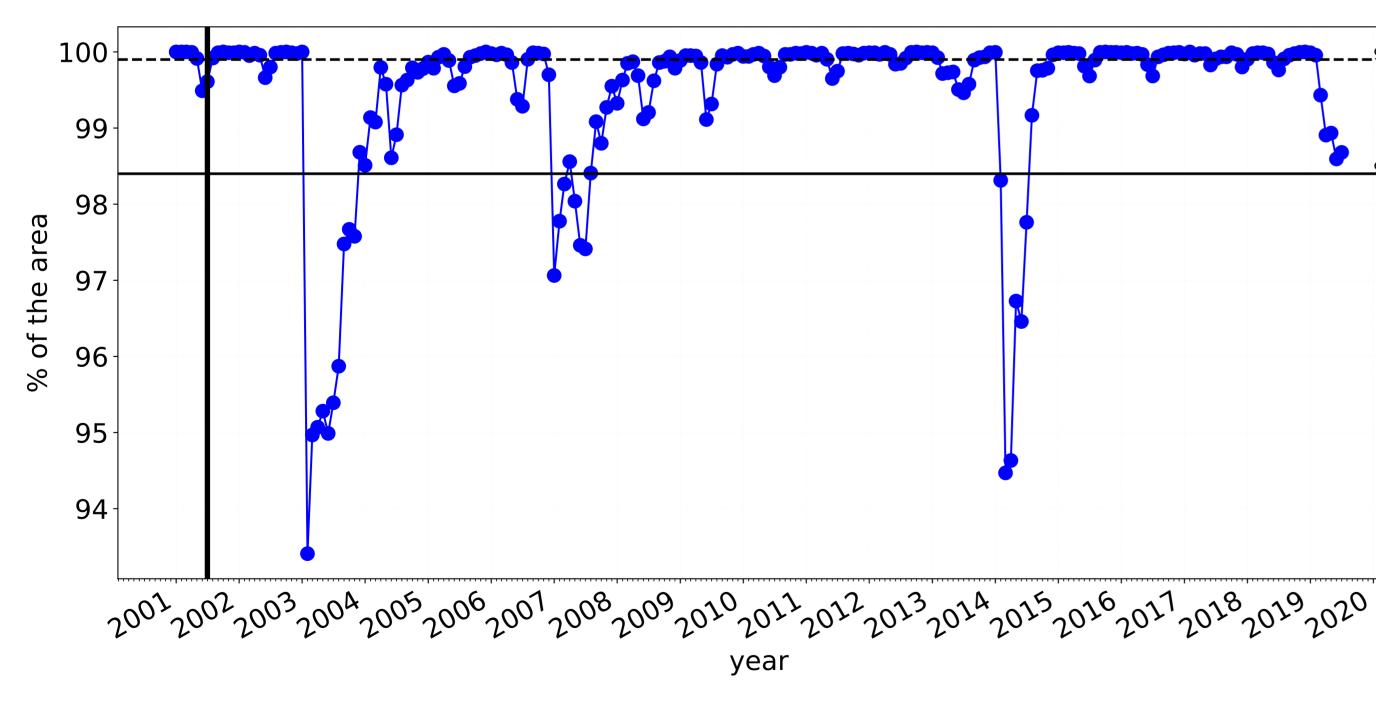


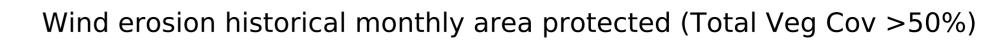


Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries



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

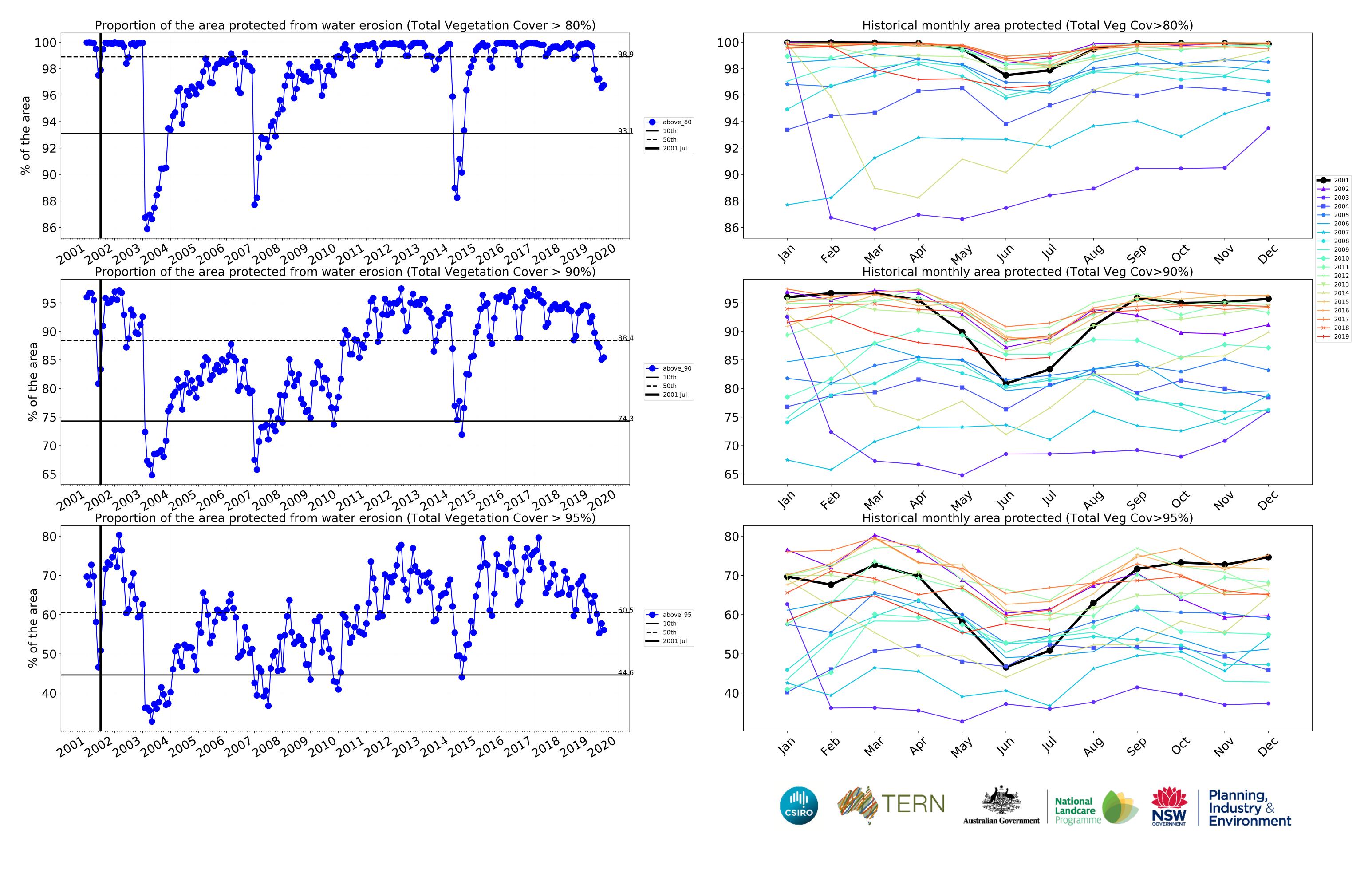




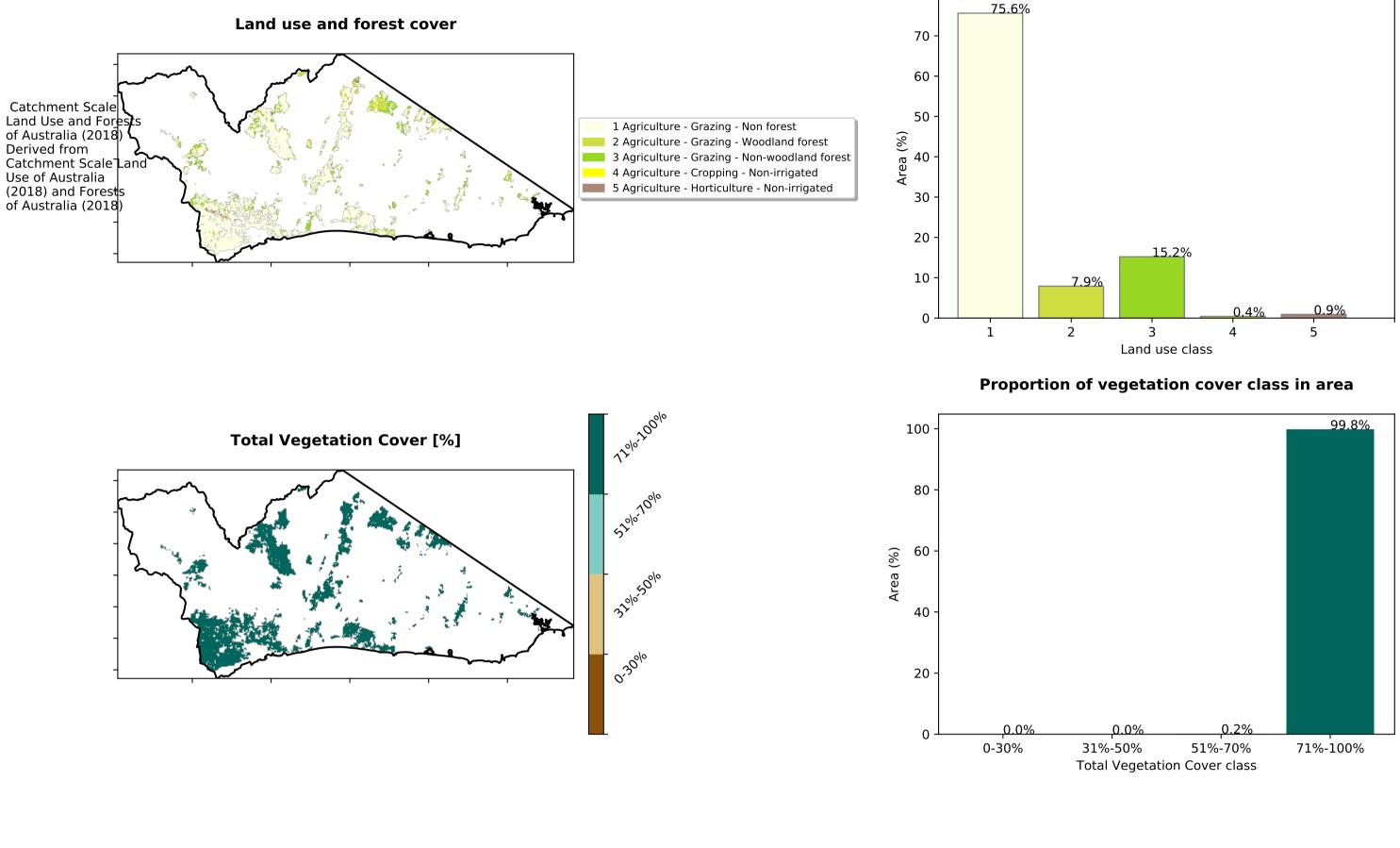
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



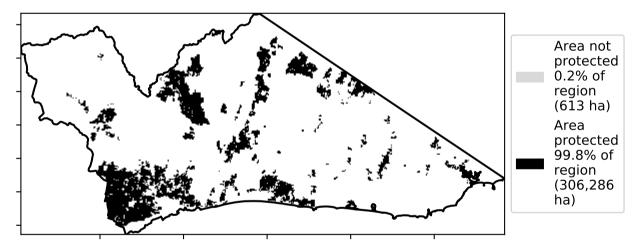


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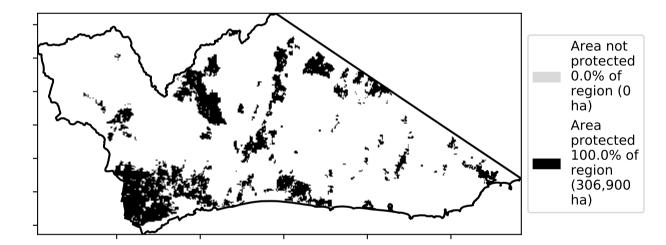


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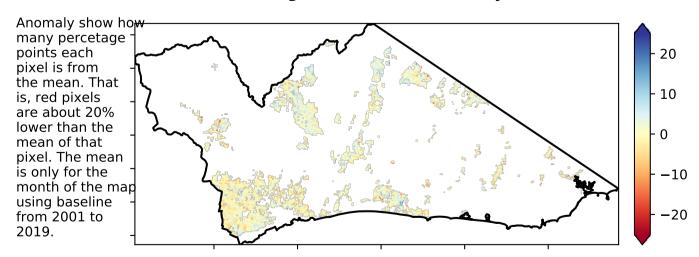
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

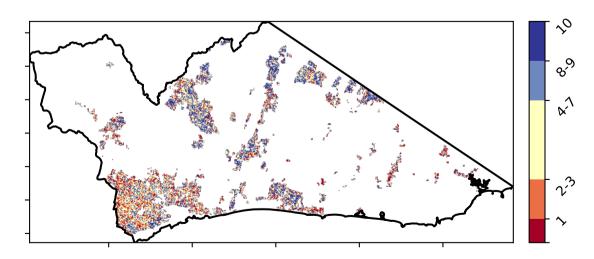


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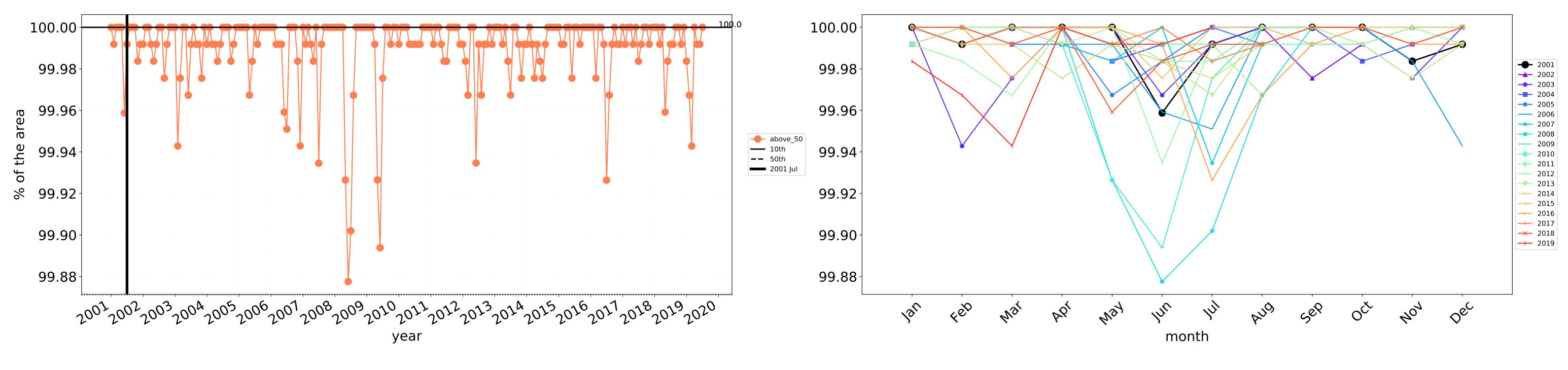


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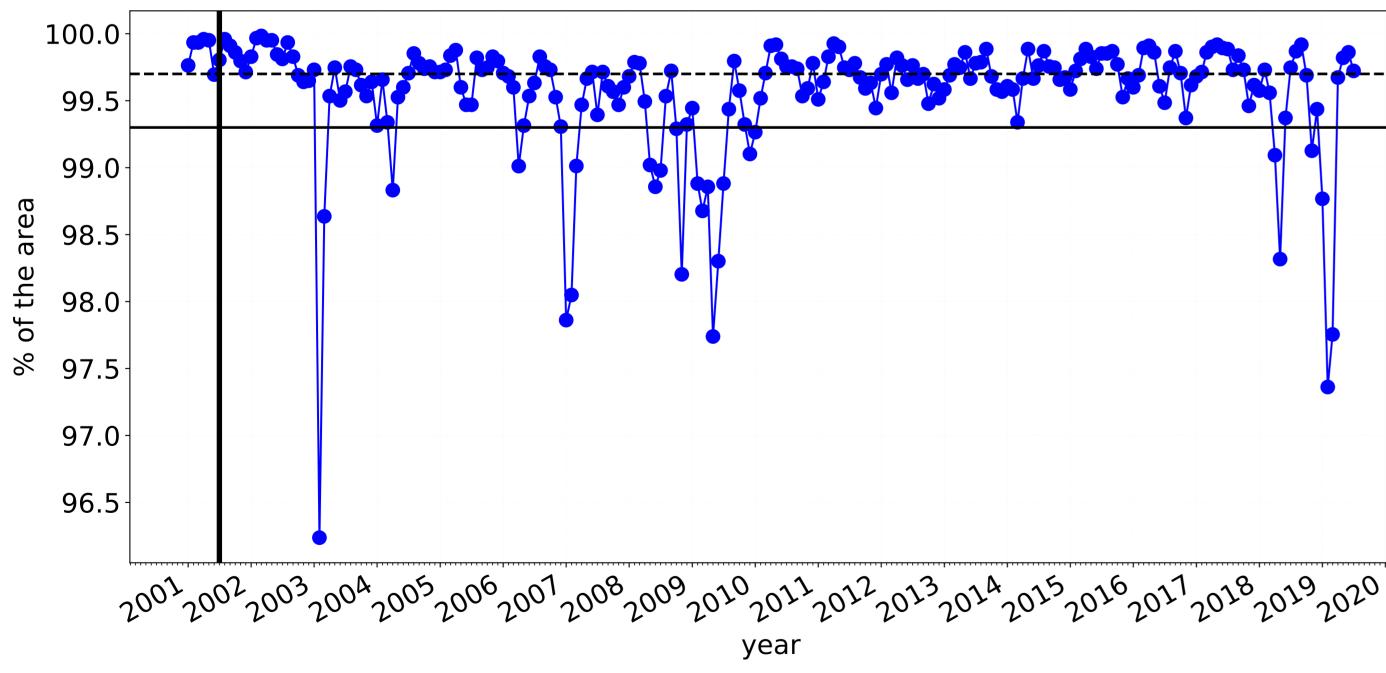


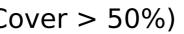




Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

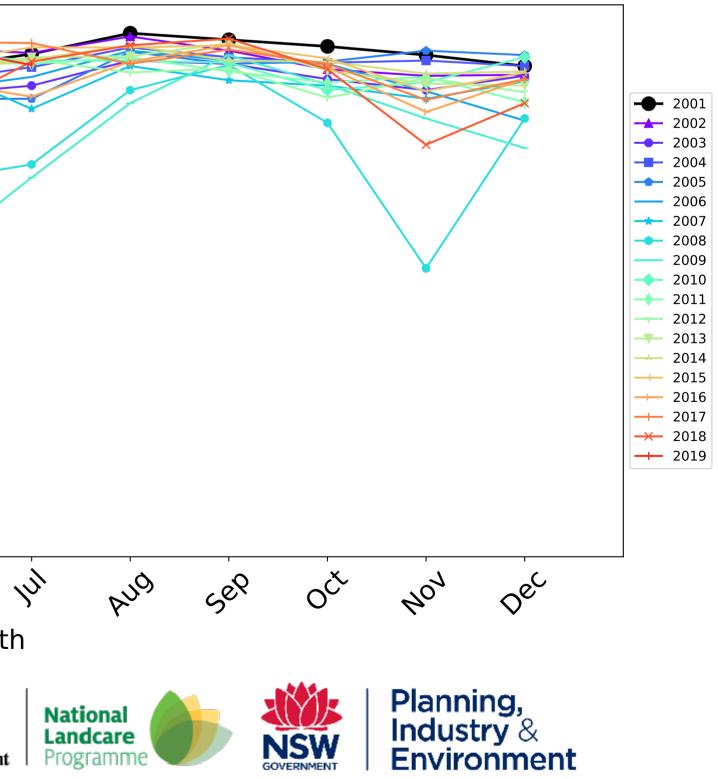


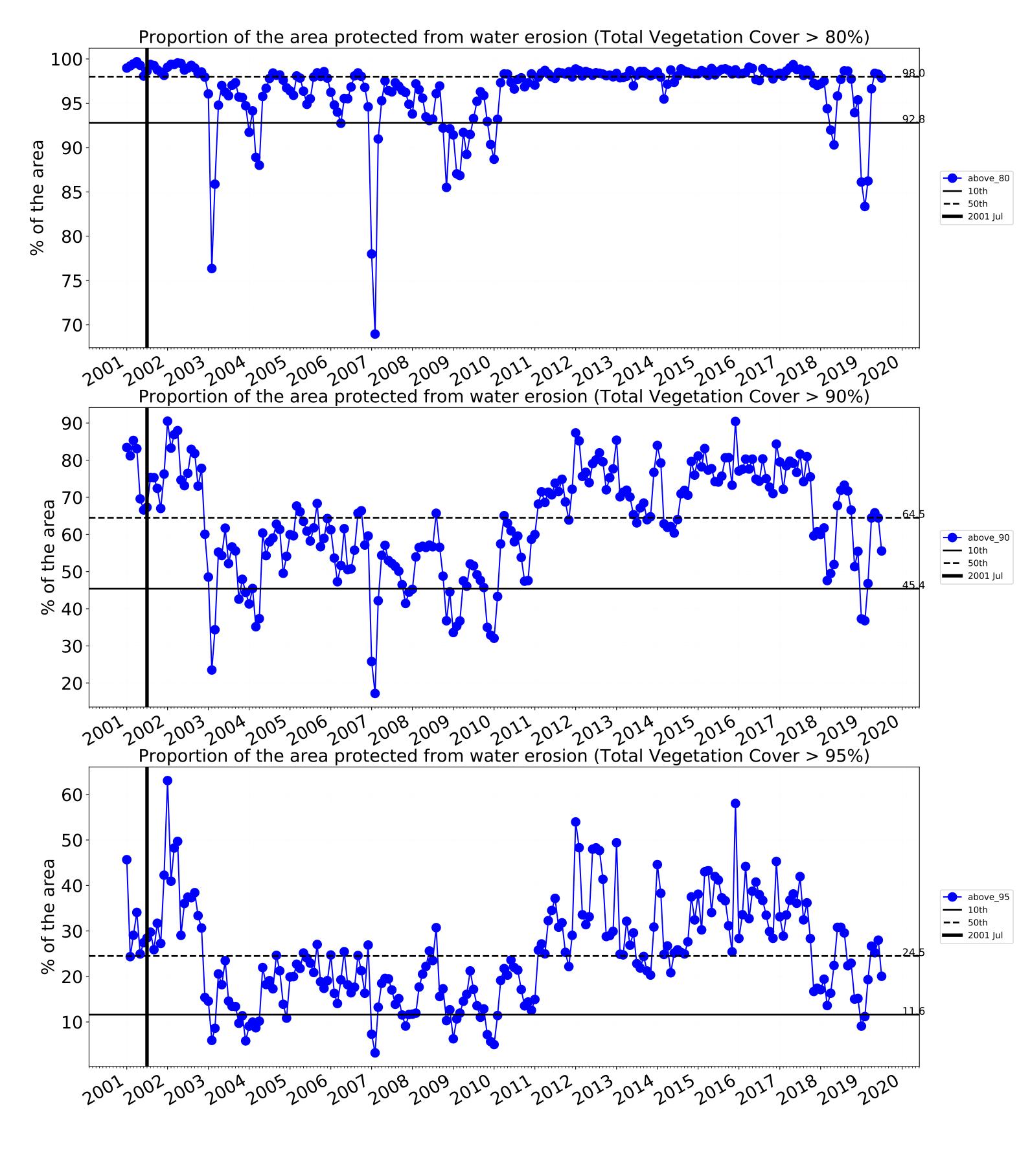


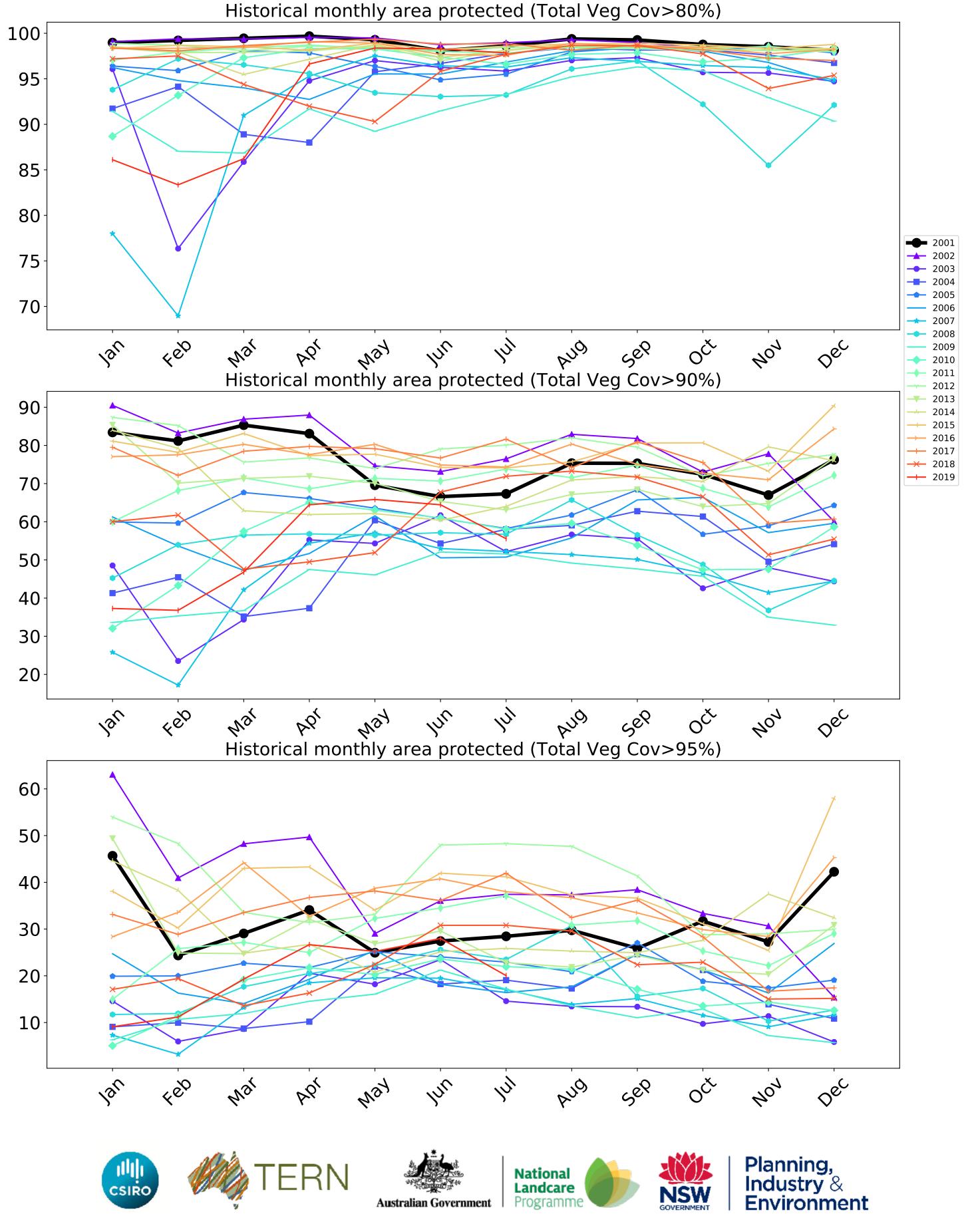
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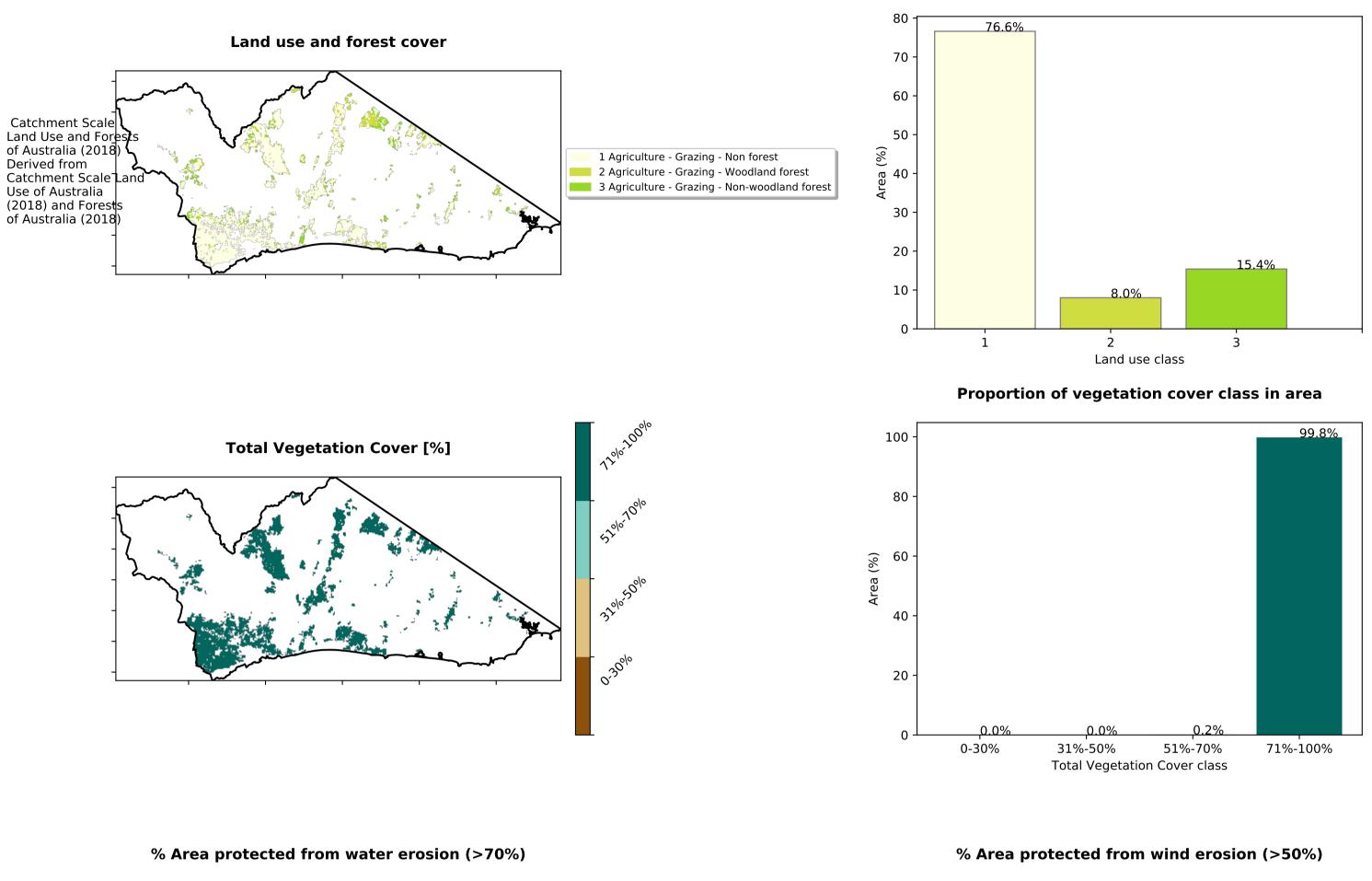




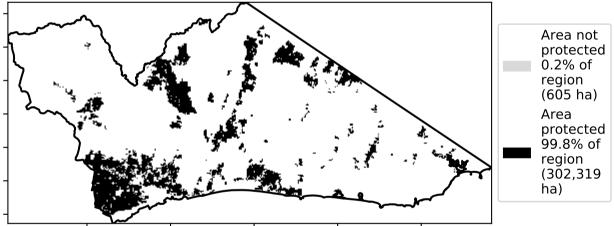


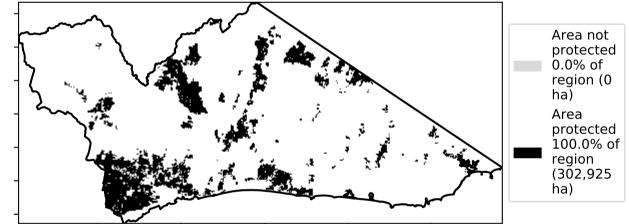


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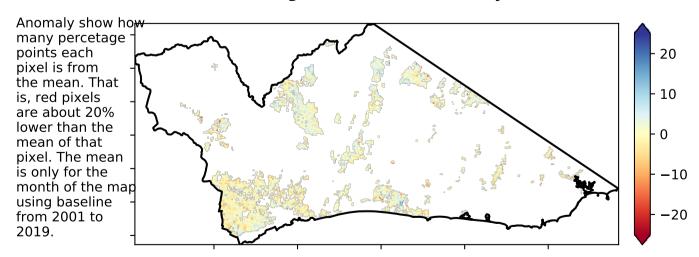






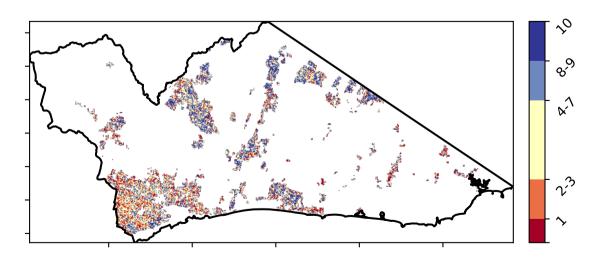


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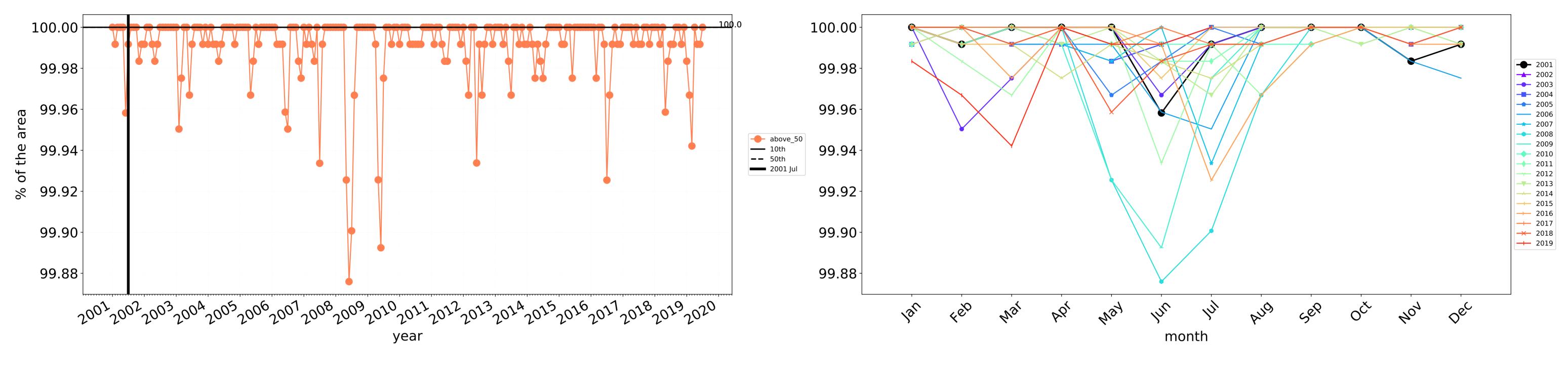


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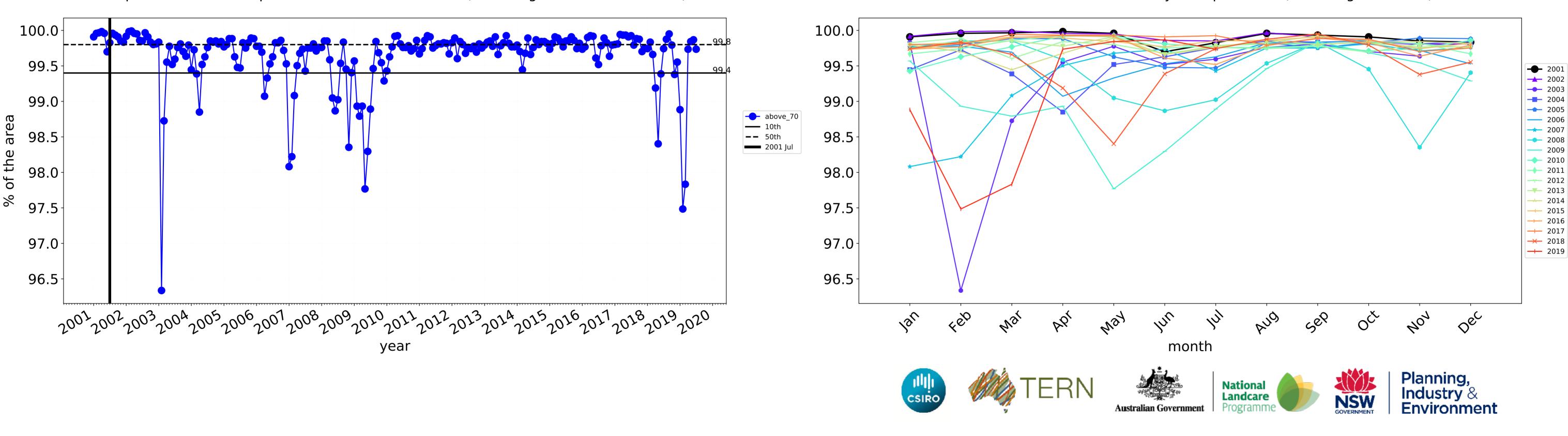
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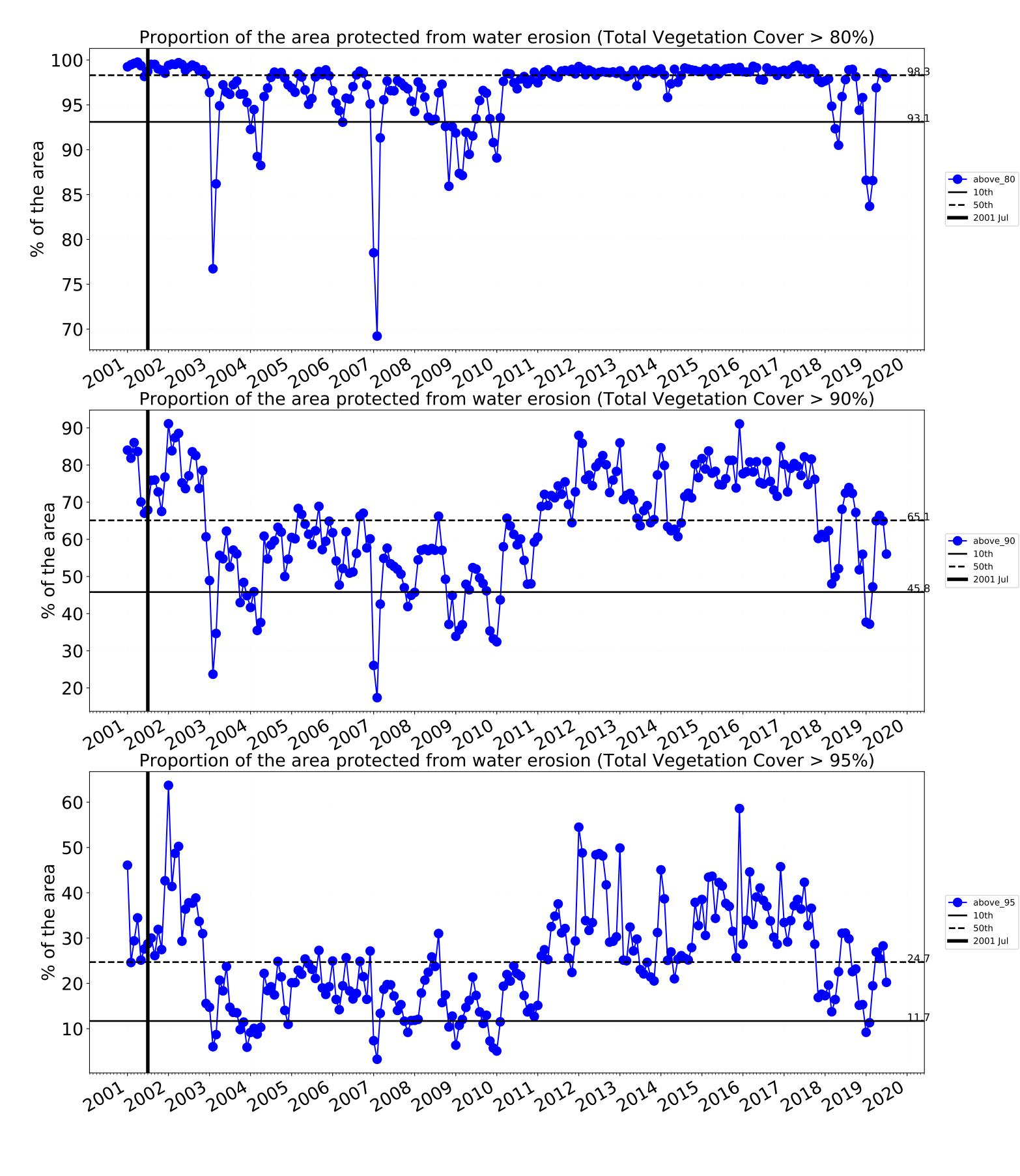
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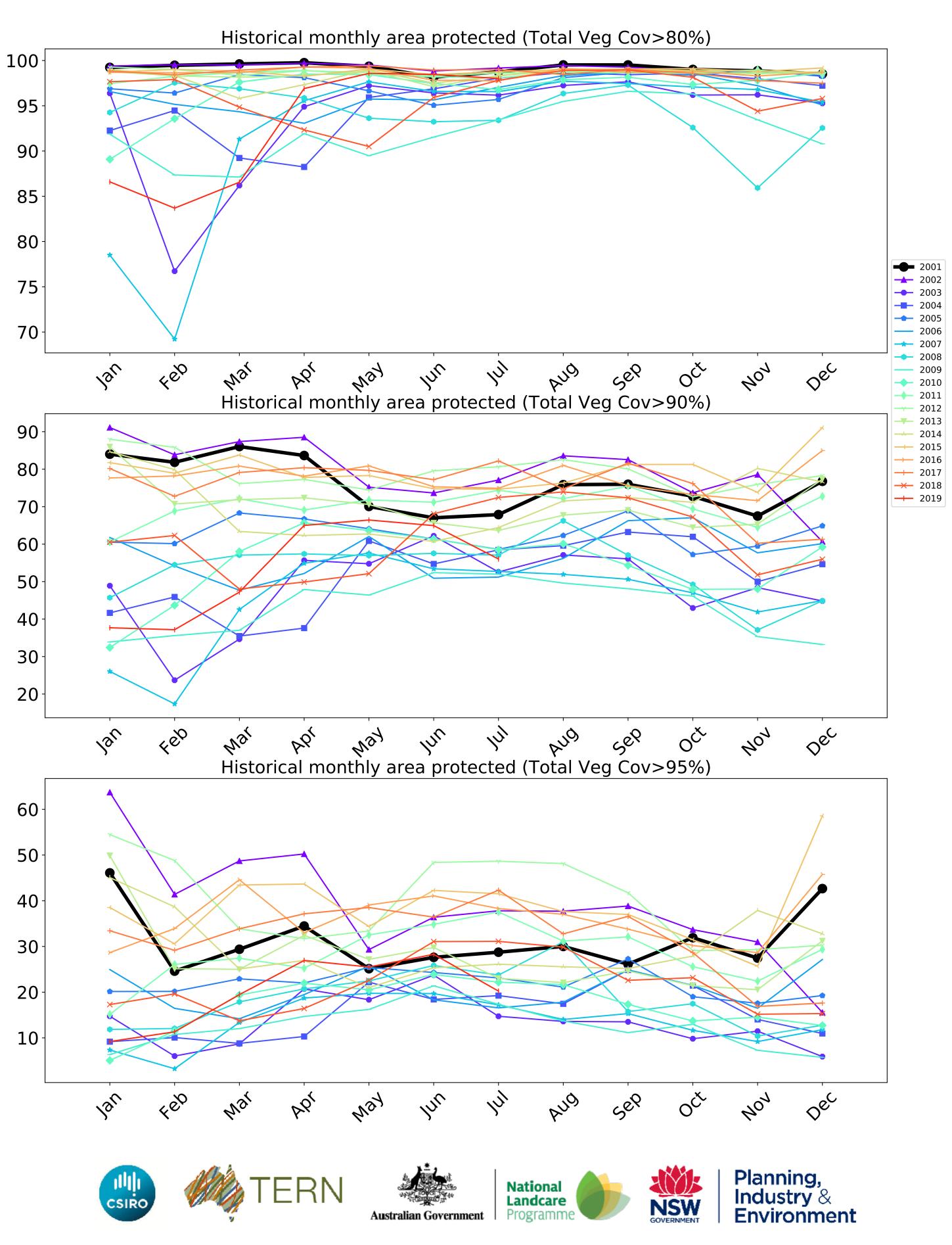


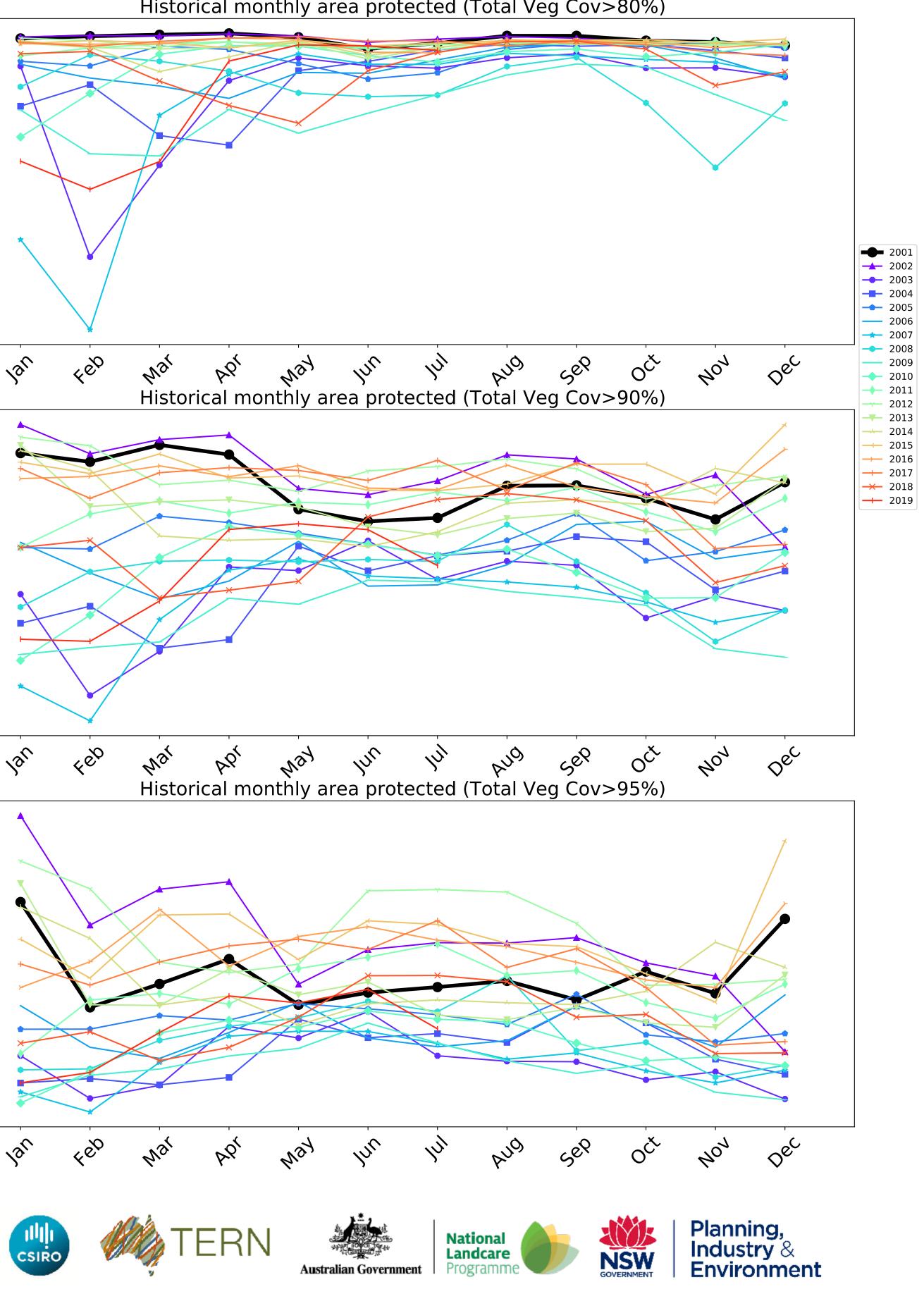


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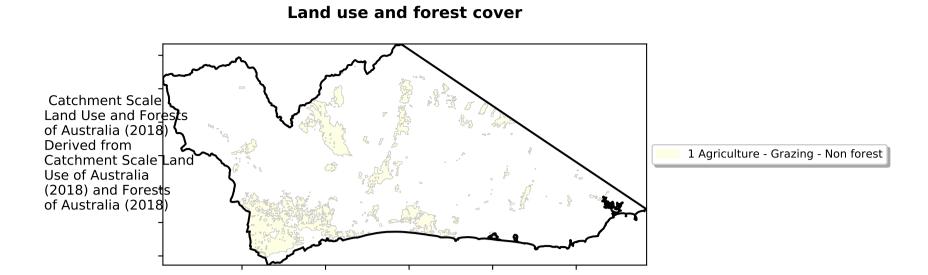
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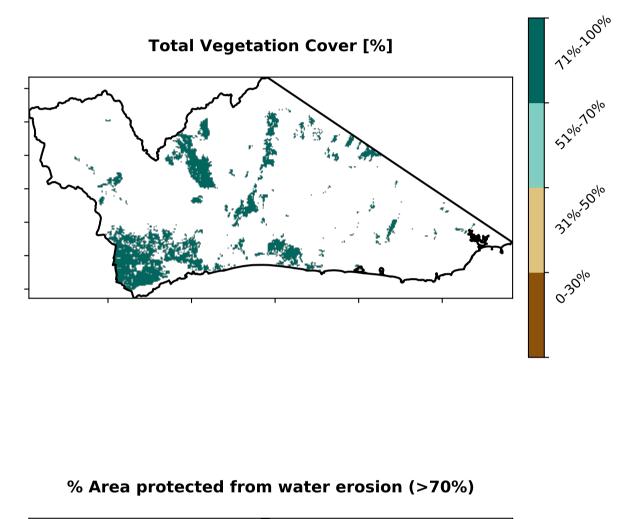




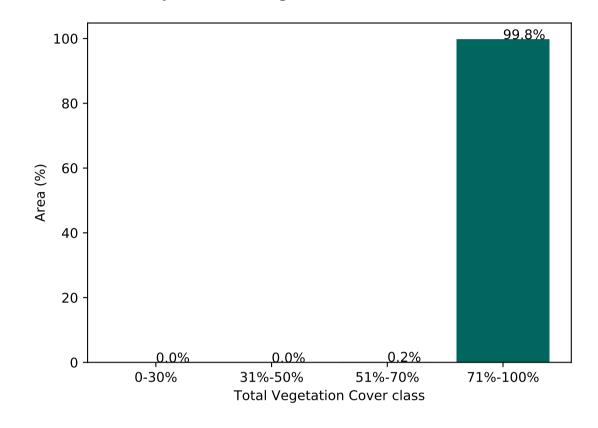


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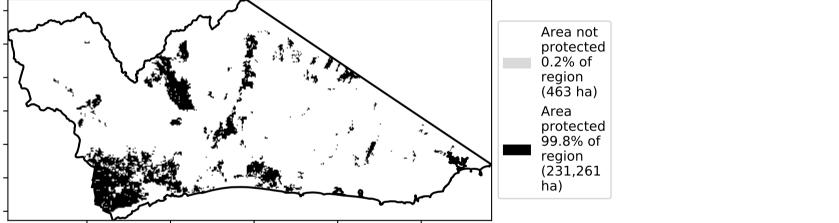


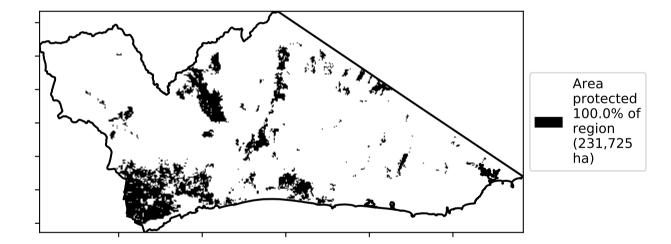


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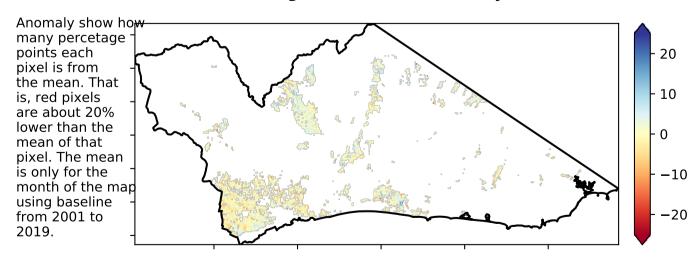






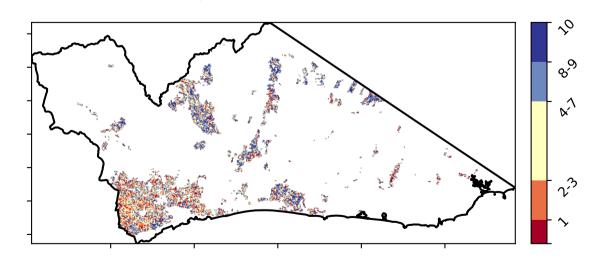


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

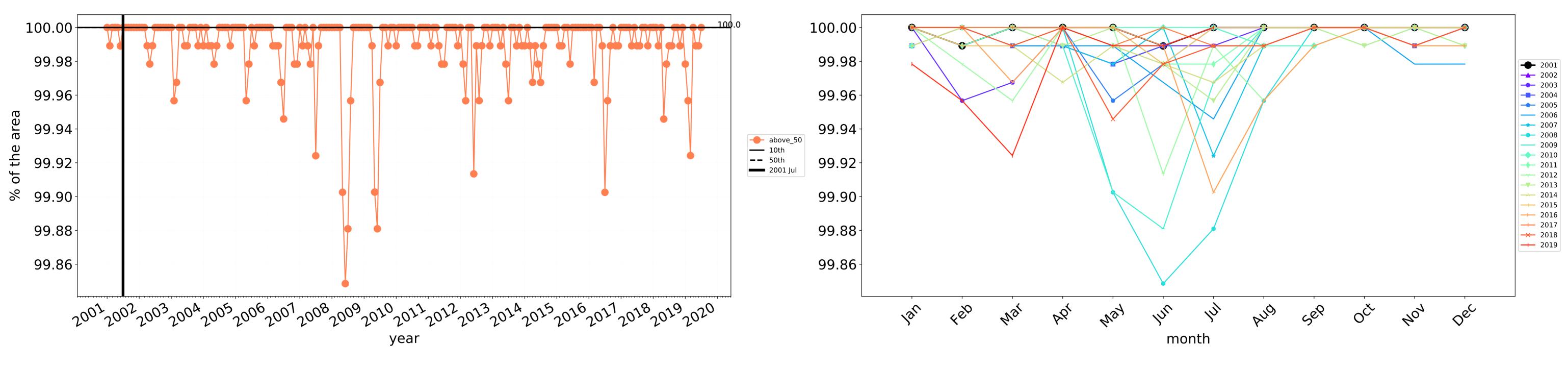


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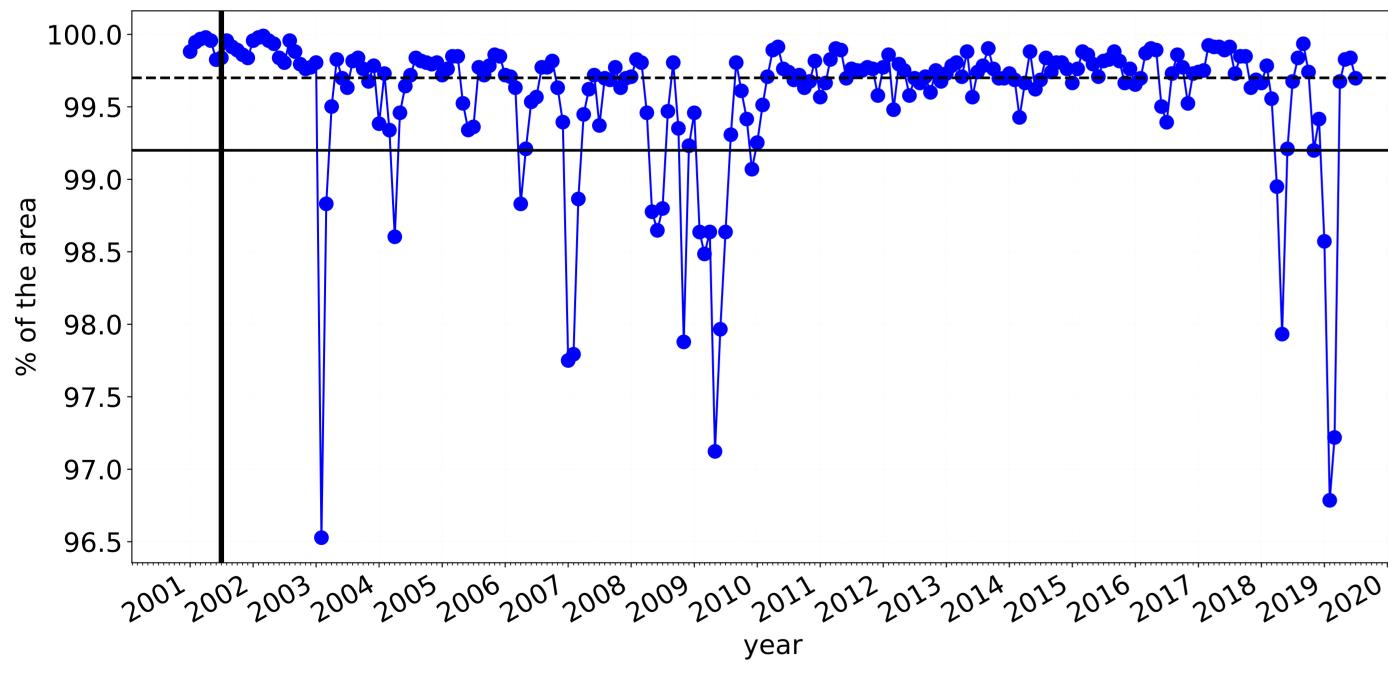
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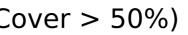






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

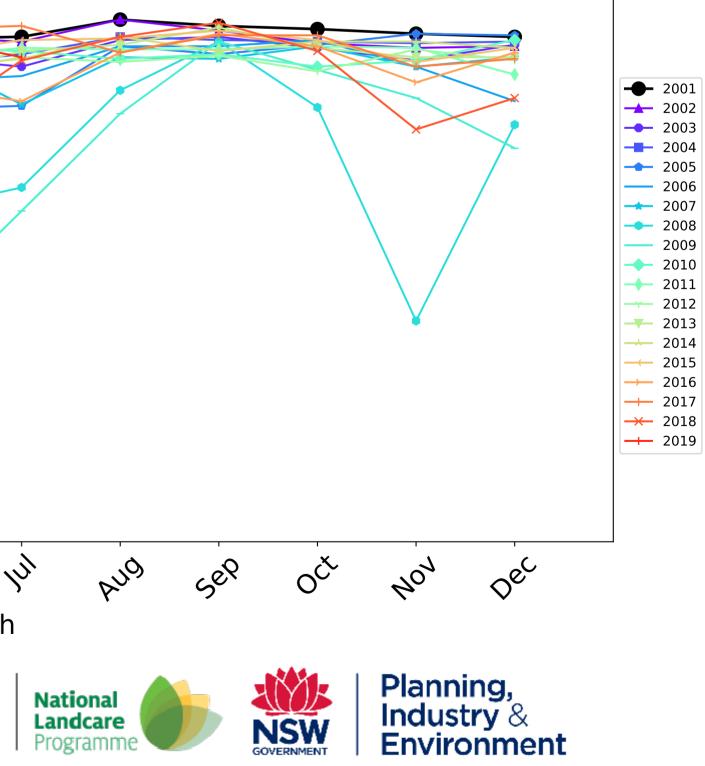


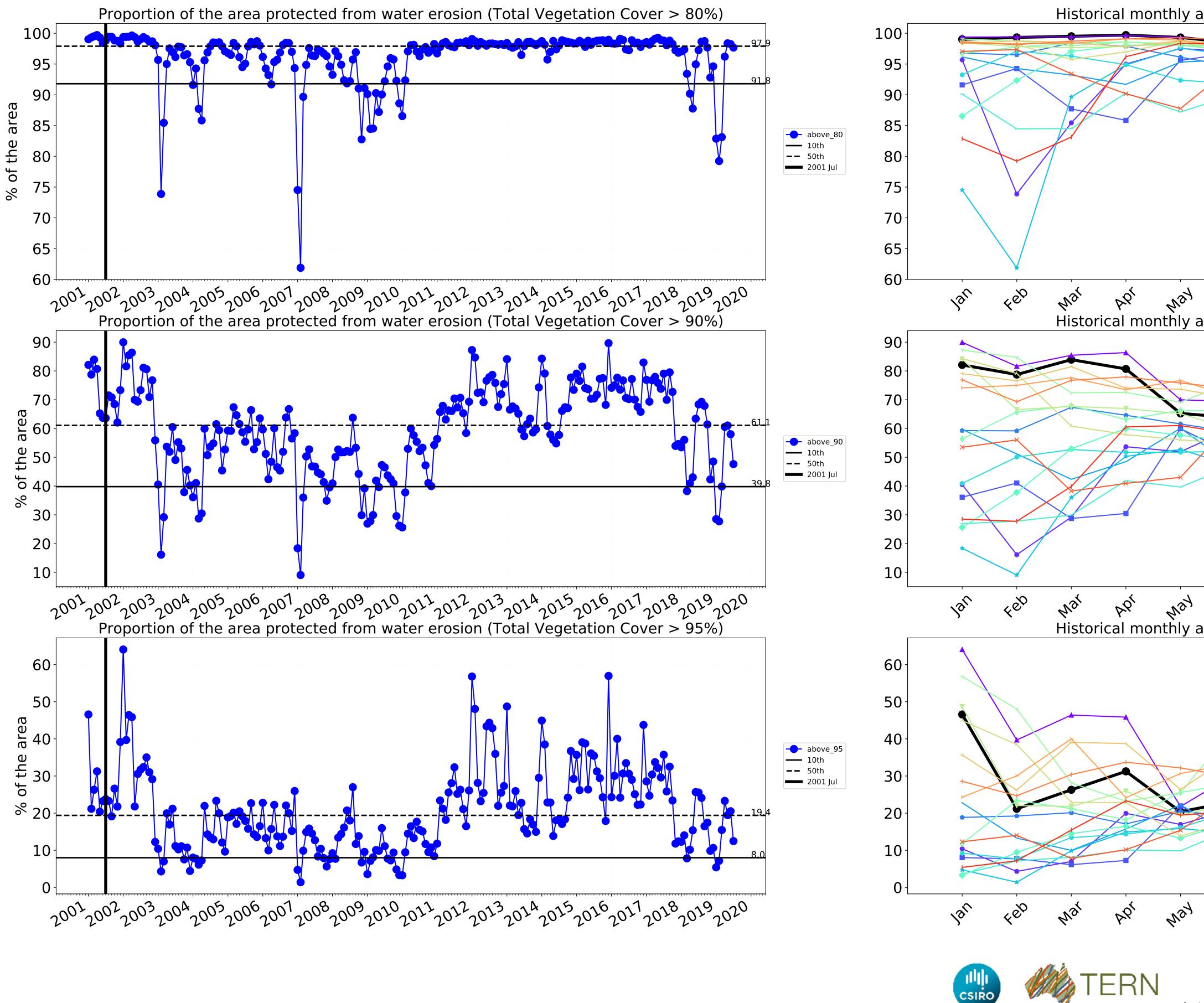


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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





Historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>80%)

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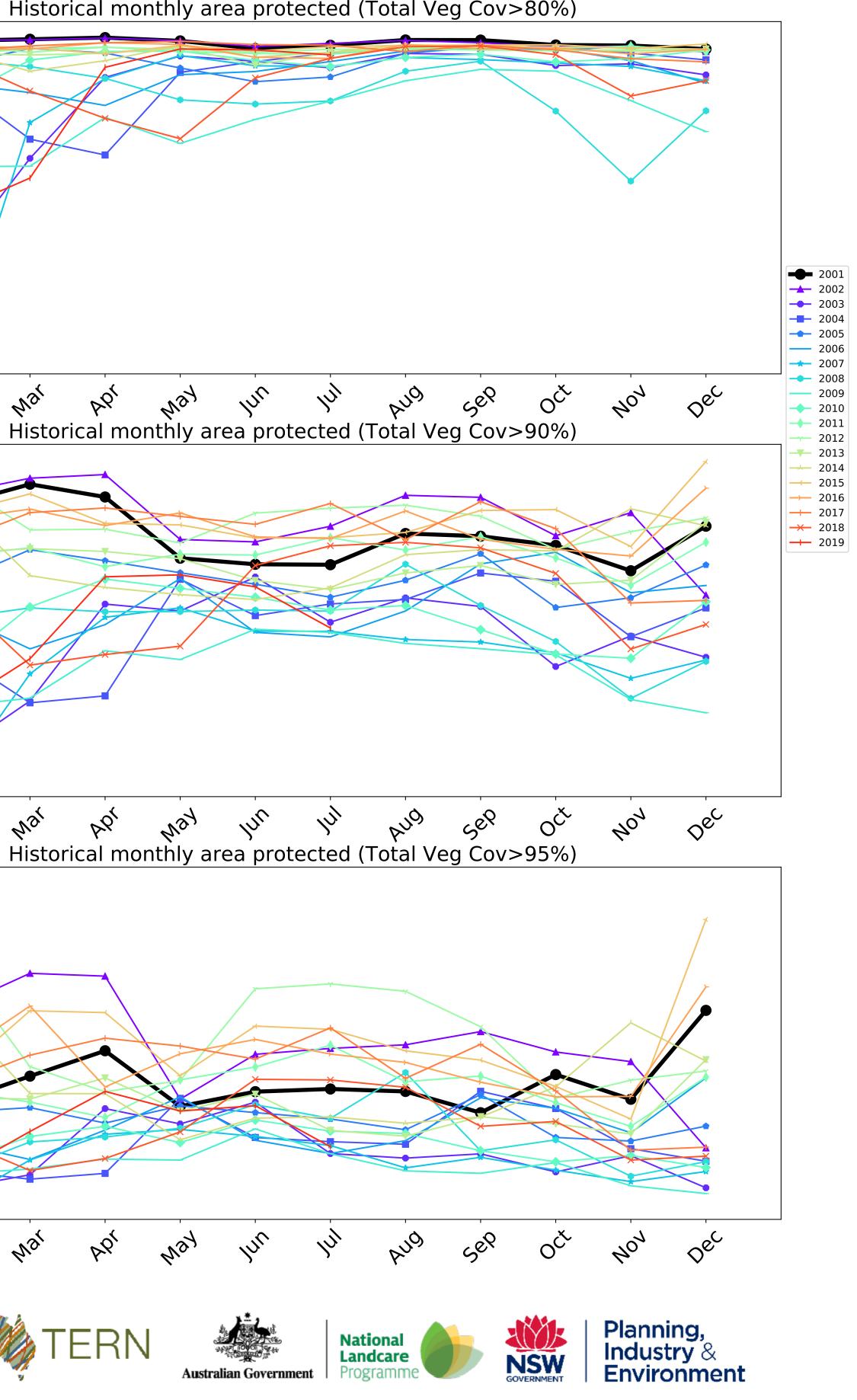
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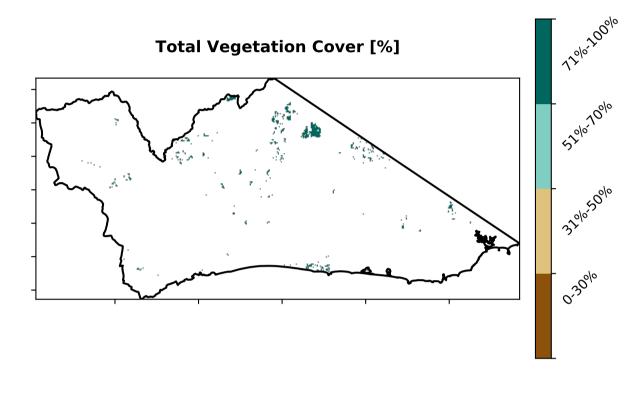
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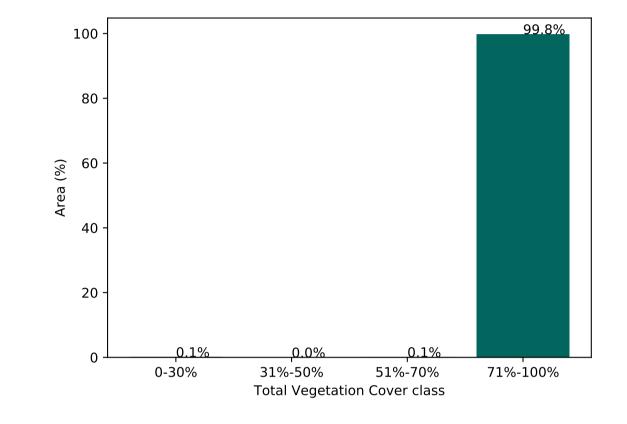


Grazing Woodland forest



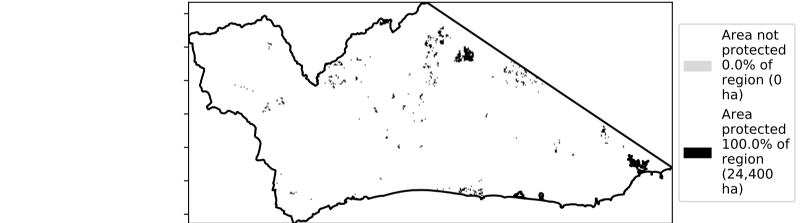


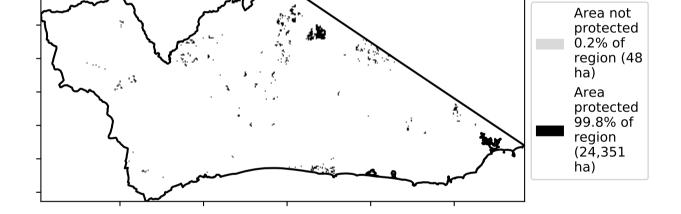
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



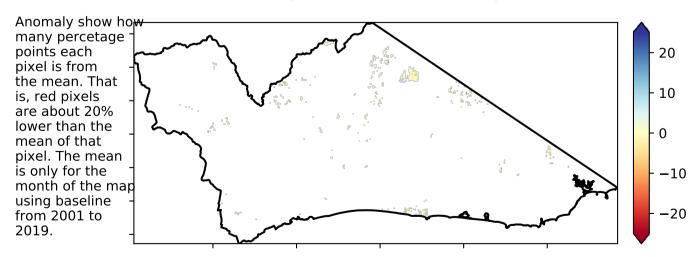
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



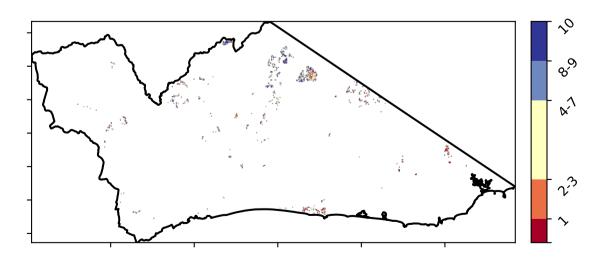


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

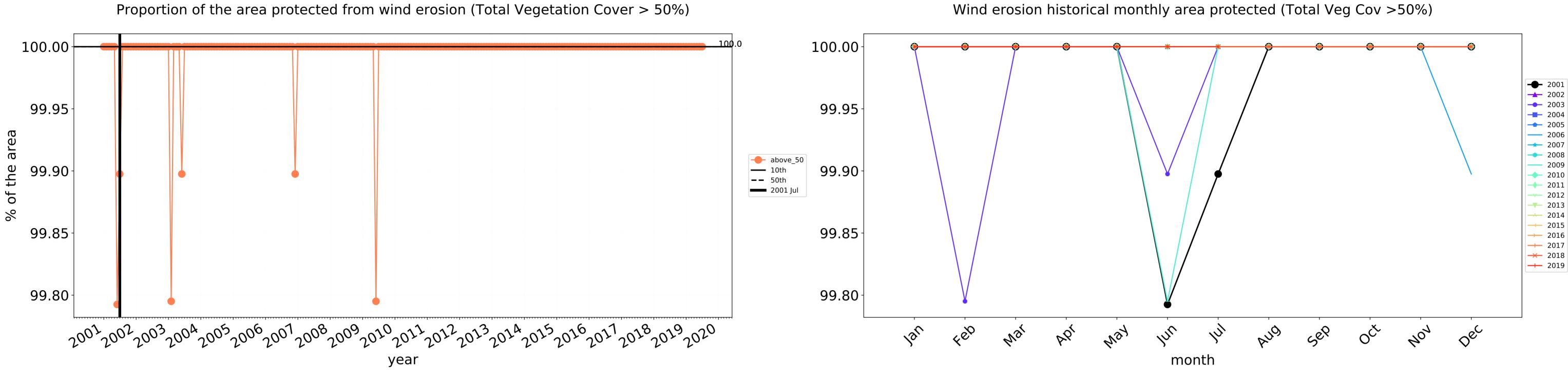


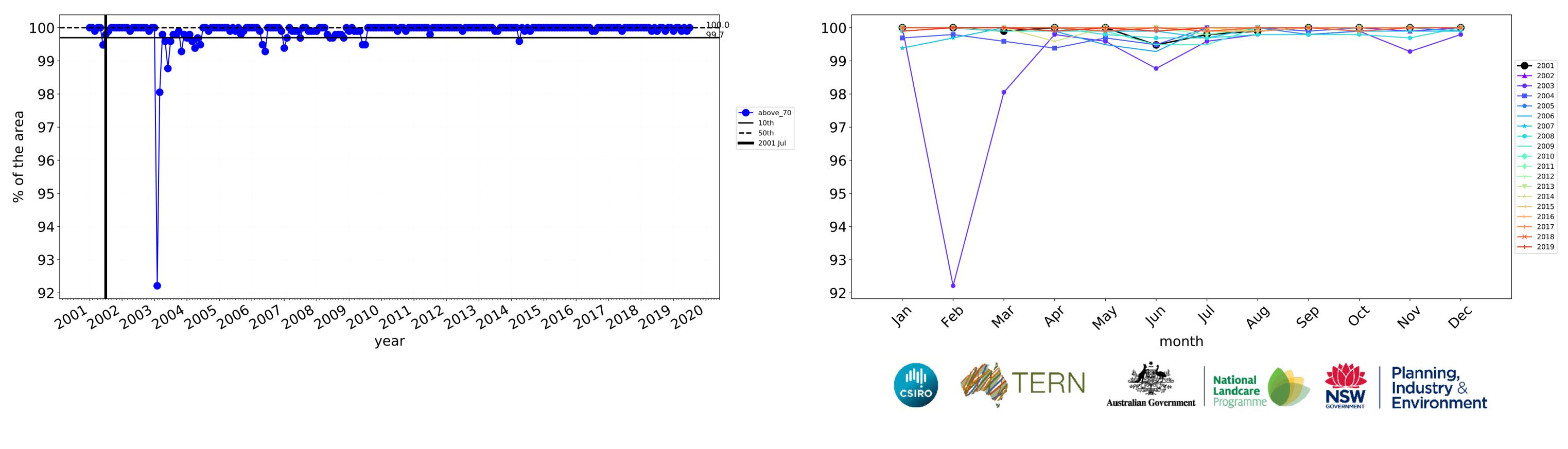
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

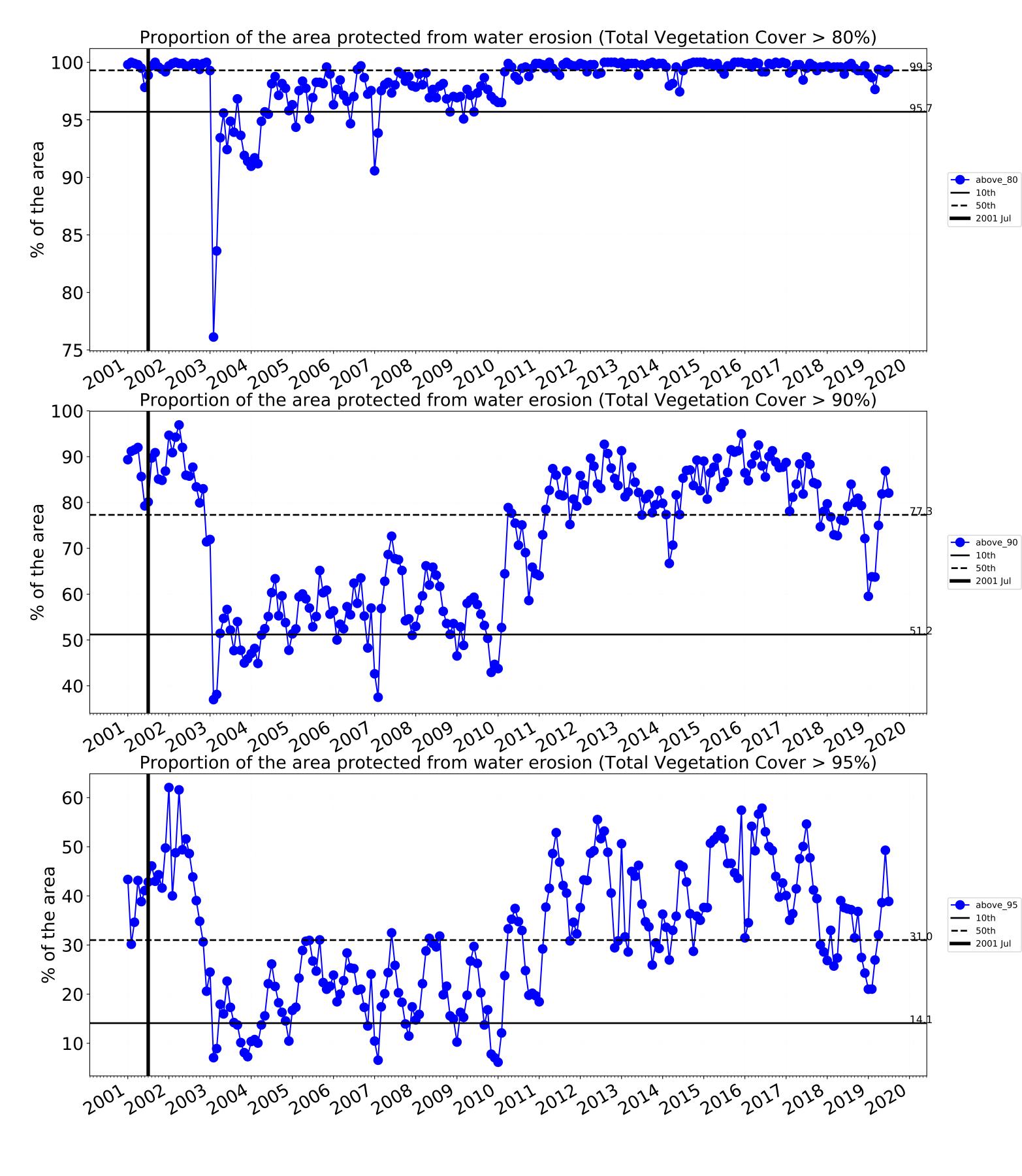


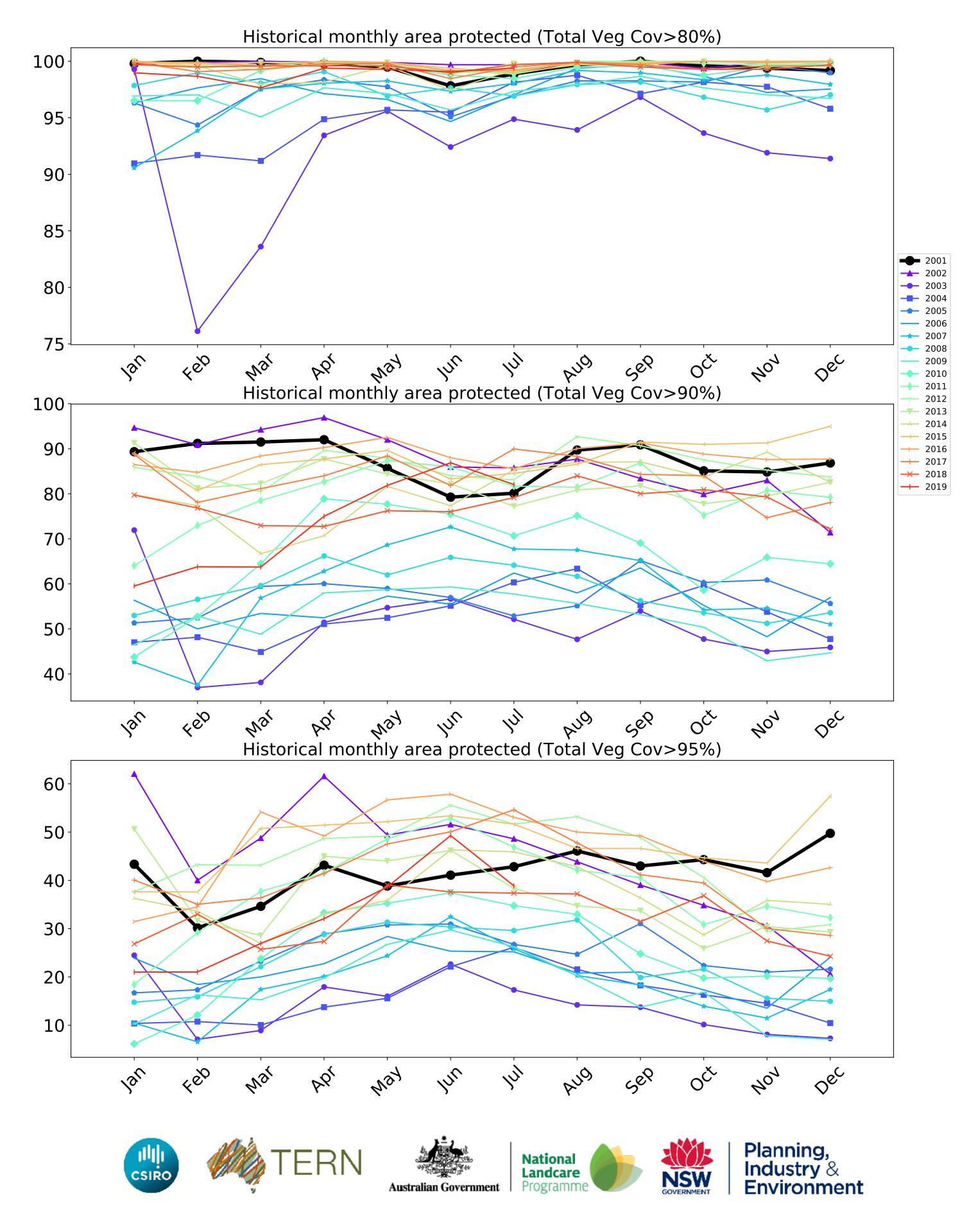




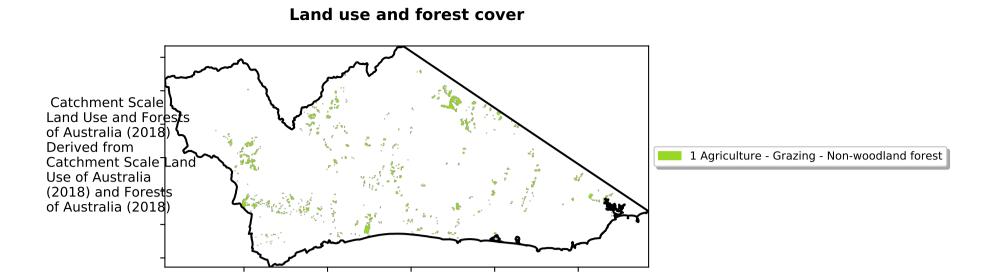


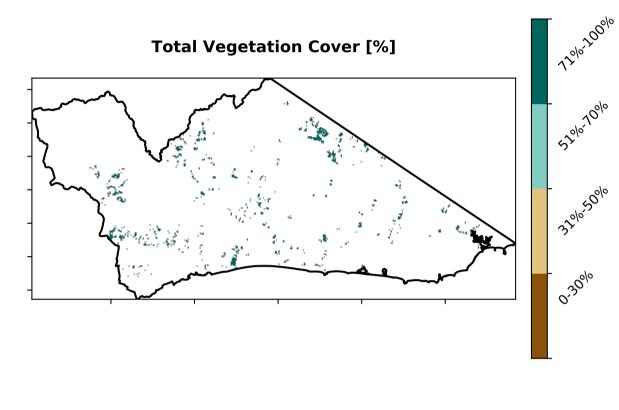
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



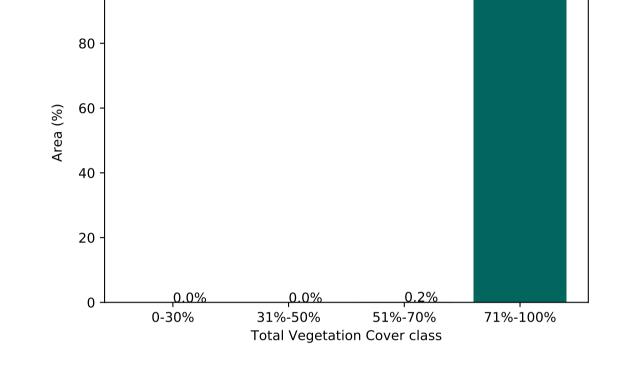


Grazing - Forest (non woodland)





% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

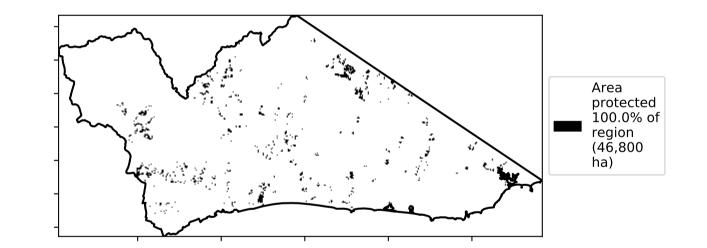


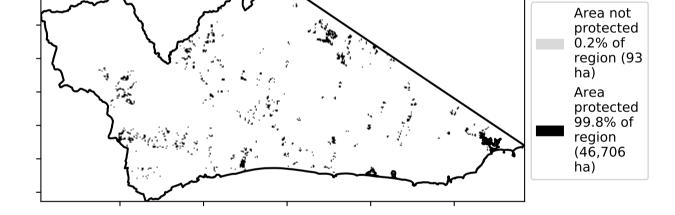
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

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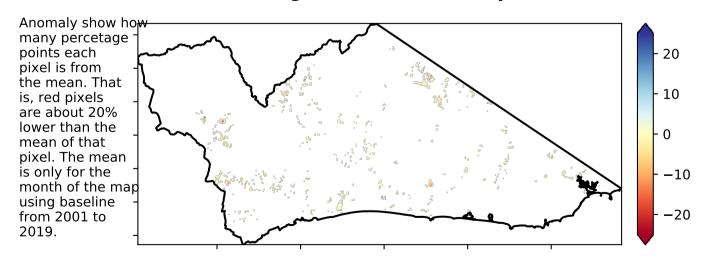
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

99.8%



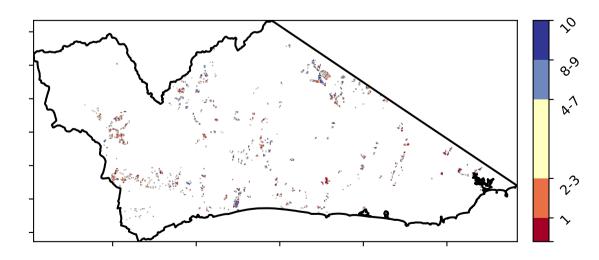


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

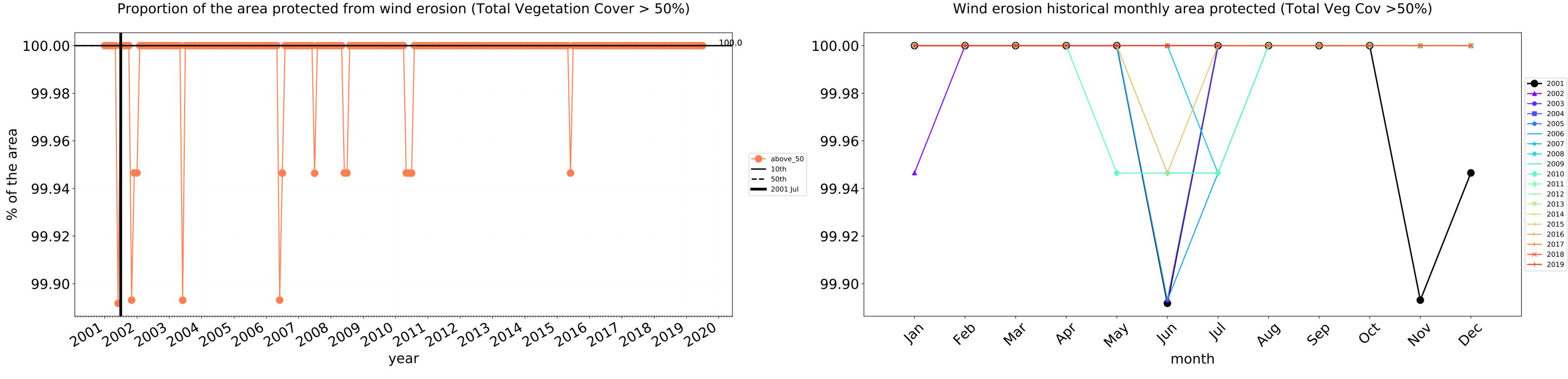


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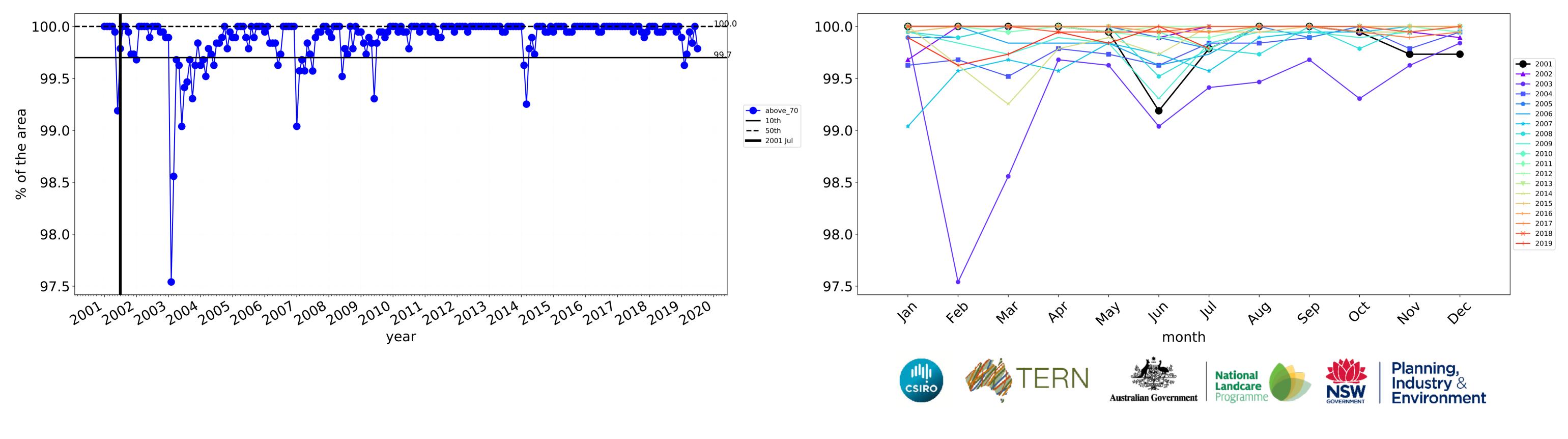
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



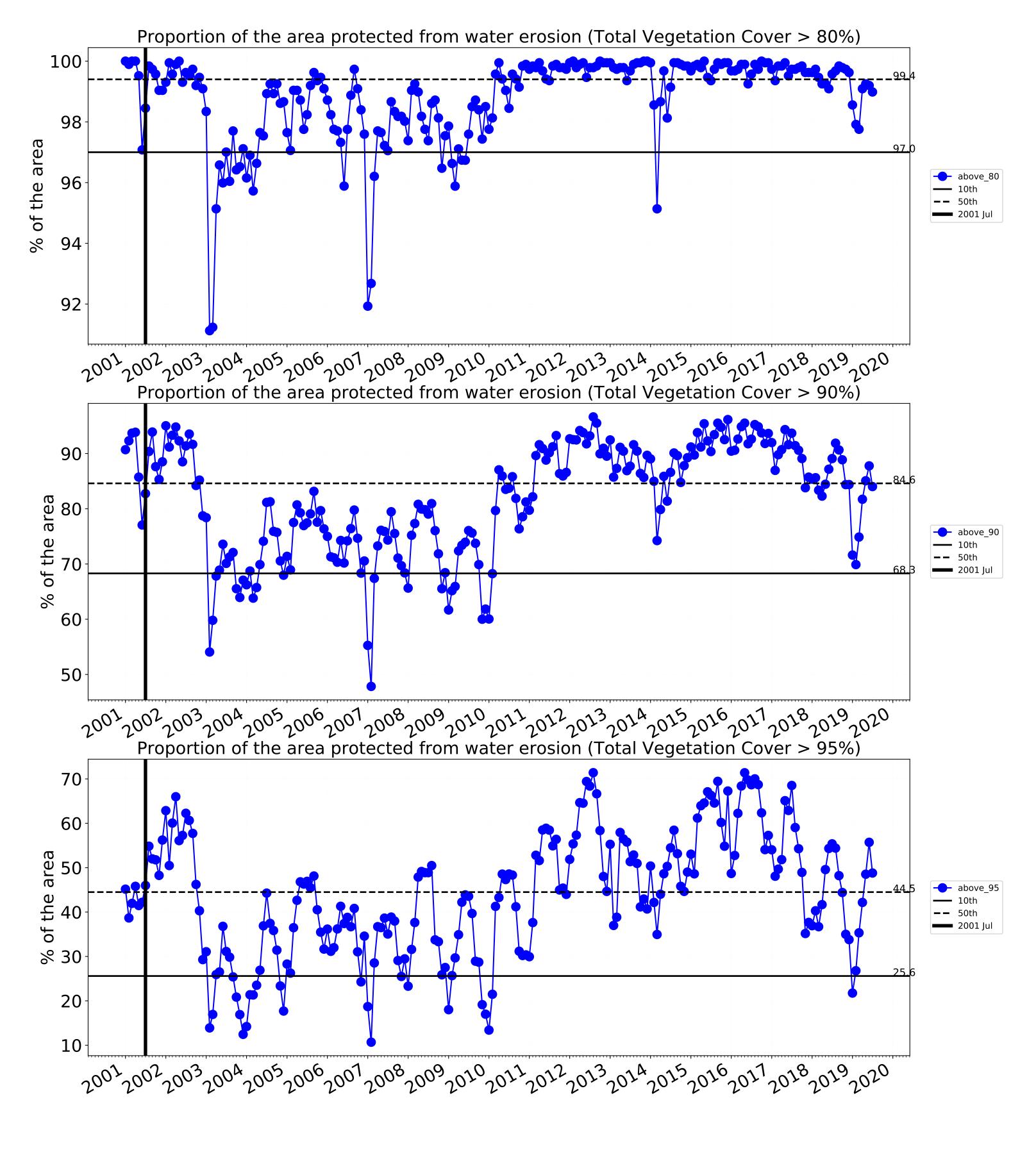


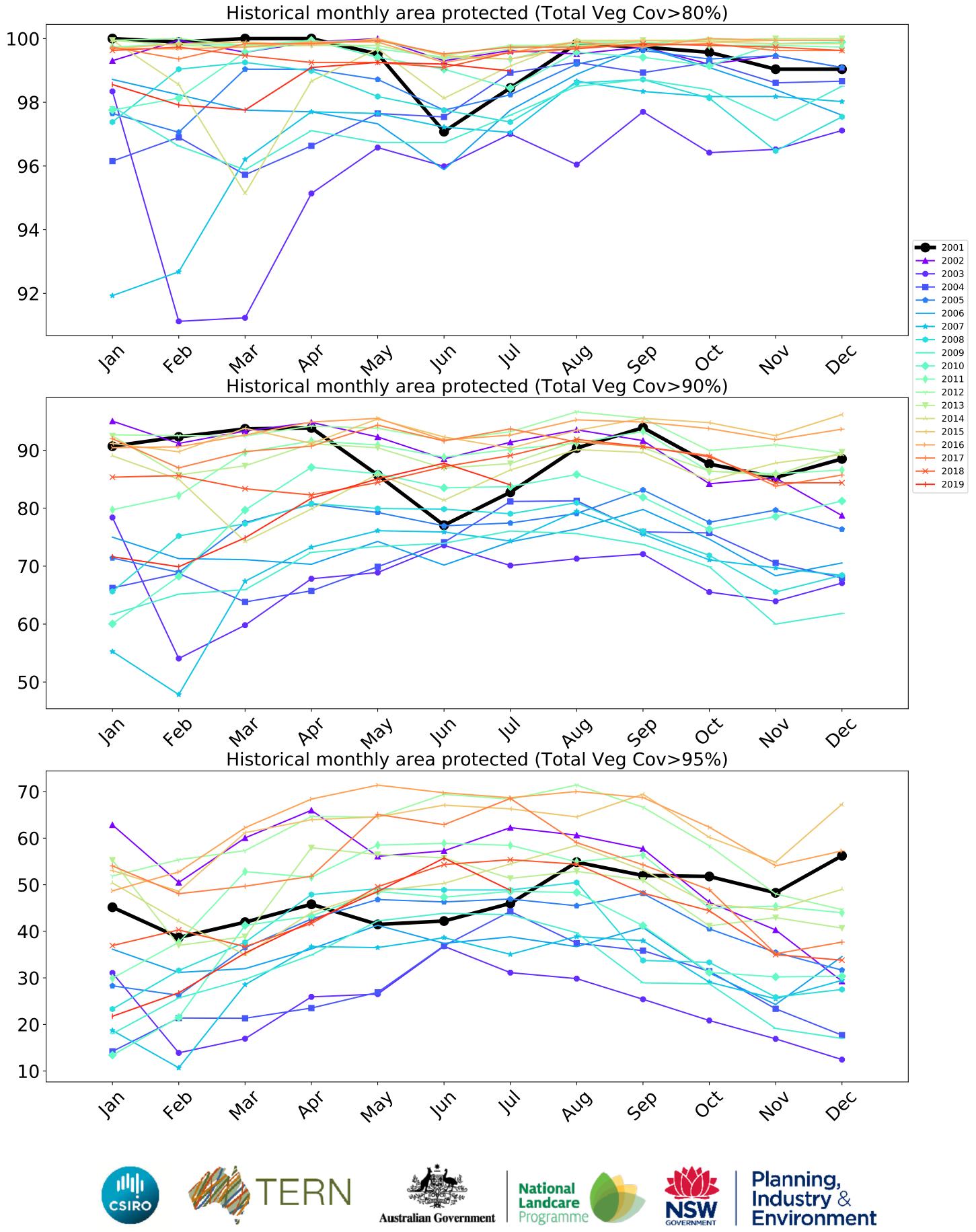


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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



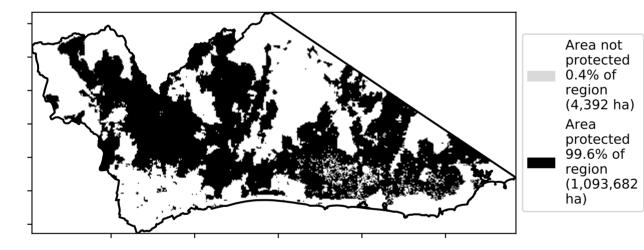


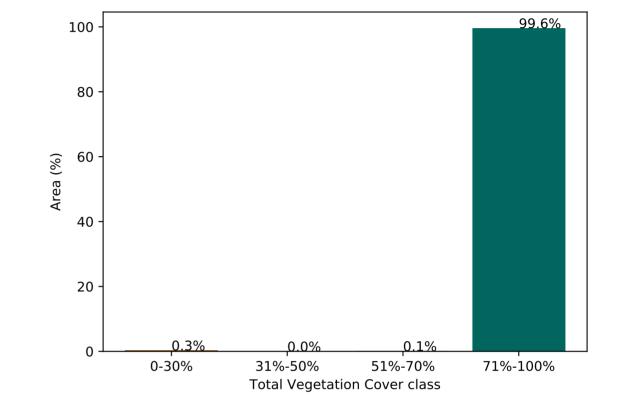
Production native forests and plantation forests



Total Vegetation Cover [%]

% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



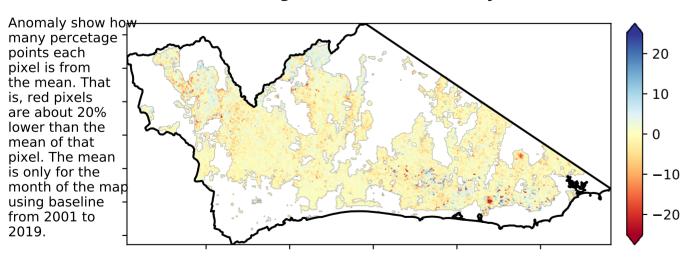


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

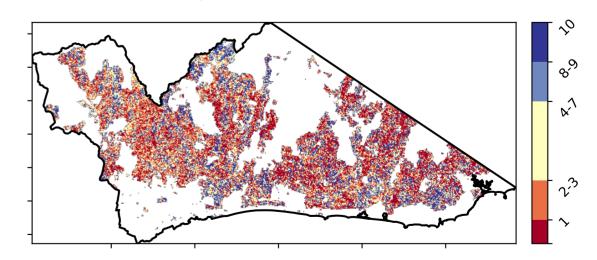


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

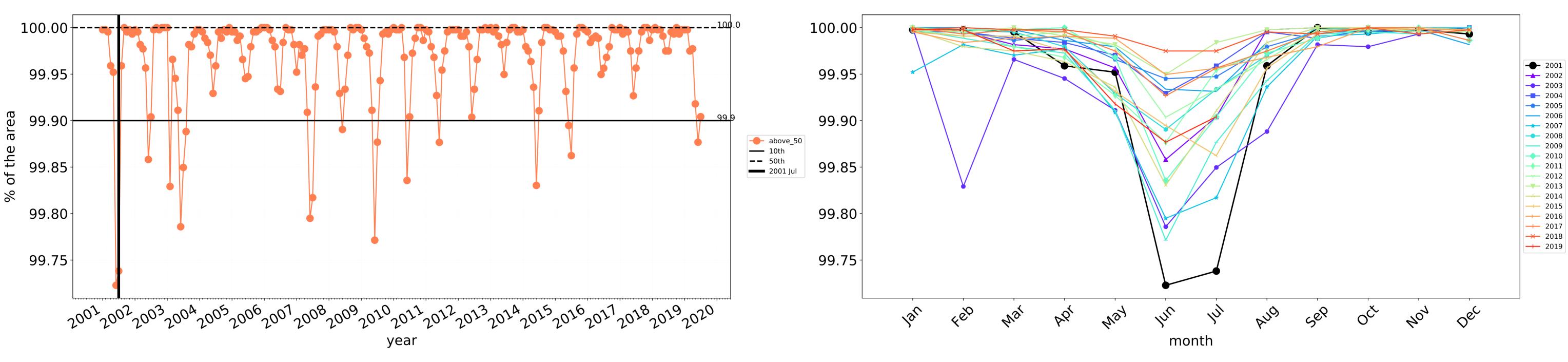


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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

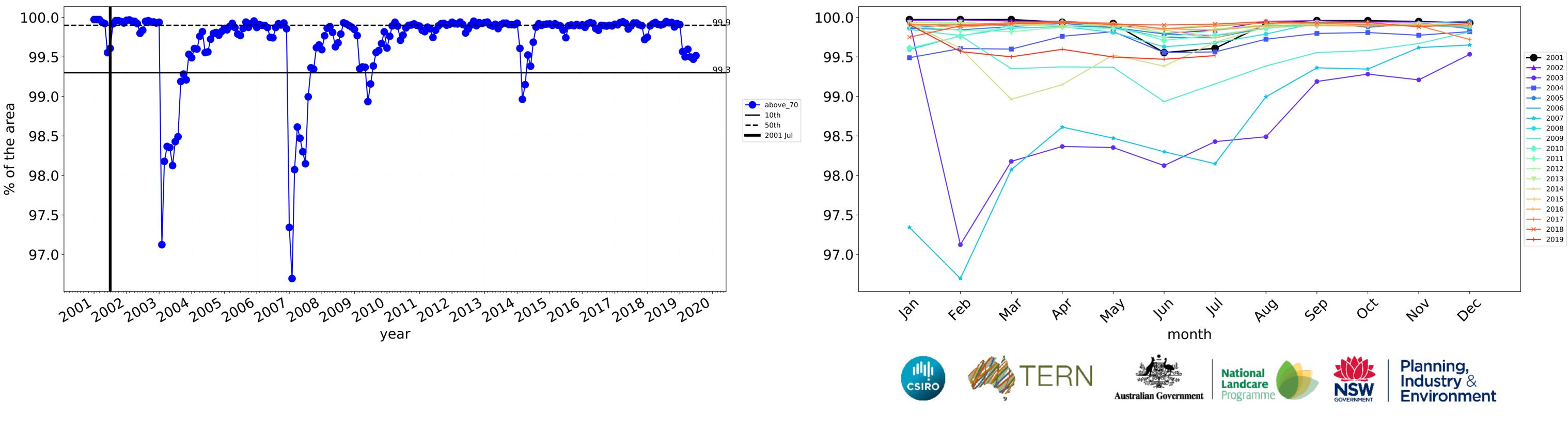




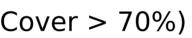


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

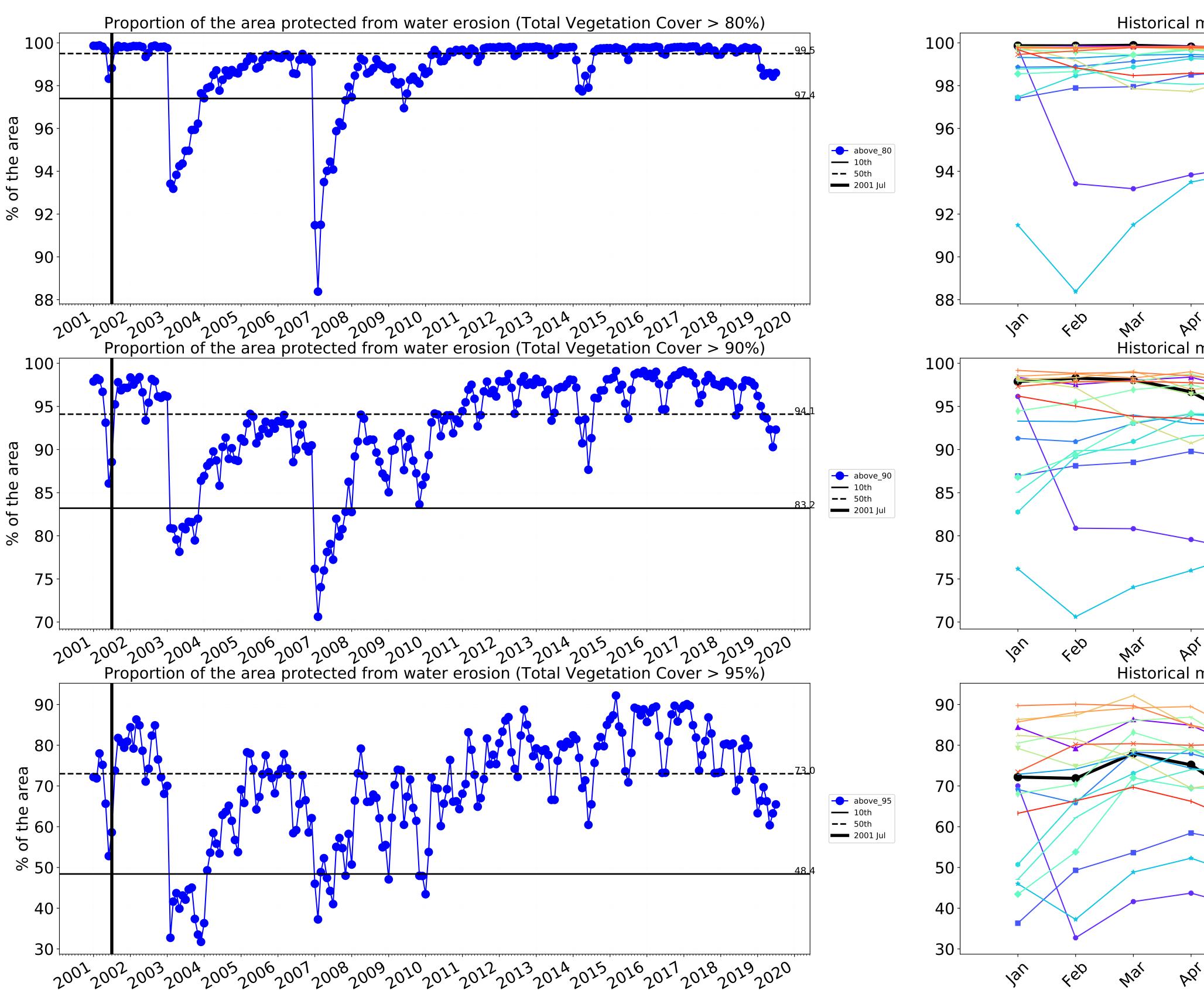


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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





Historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>80%)

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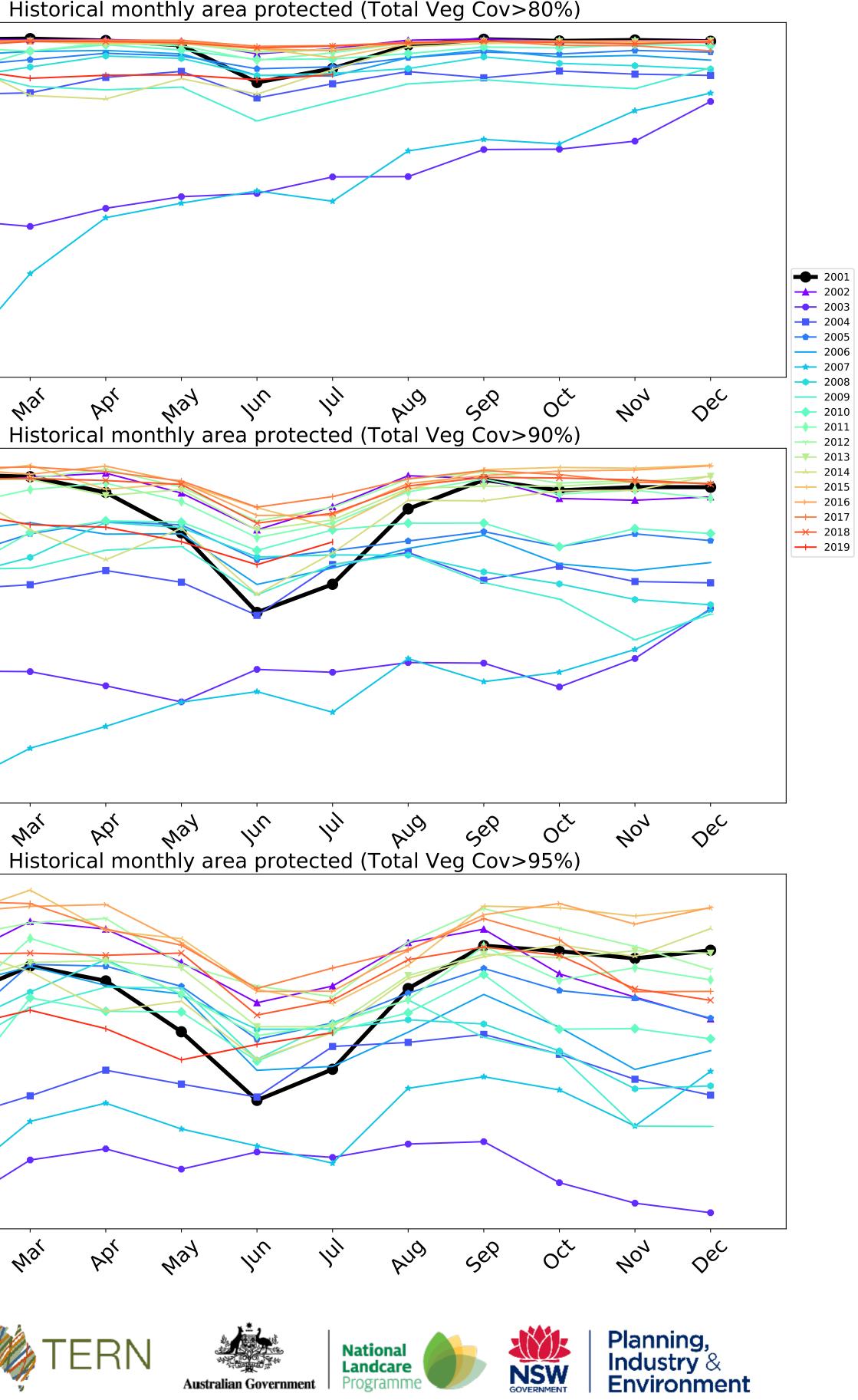
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East Gippsland (2,062,650 ha and no data 37,063 ha) Percentage area and hectares protected with TVC threshold 30,50,70,80,90 and 95%

Land use and forest cover Class	area(ha)	above_30	above_50	above_70	above_80	above_90	above_95
Entire region	2,062,650	99.8% 2,058,624	99.8% 2,058,074	99.5% 2,053,073	98.3% 2,027,418	83.1% 1,713,282	51.3% 1,058,855
Conservation and natural environments	627,050	99.8% 625,950	99.8% 625,575	99.3% 622,925	97.3% 610,325	82.5% 517,250	51.2% 321,150
Conservation and natural environments non forest	14,075	99.1% 13,950	97.3% 13,700	91.3% 12,850	79.0% 11,125	52.8% 7,425	28.2% 3,975
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	145,700	99.8% 145,450	99.8% 145,375	99.3% 144,625	97.3% 141,800	82.5% 120,275	54.6% 79,500
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	467,275	99.8% 466,550	99.8% 466,500	99.6% 465,450	97.9% 457,400	83.4% 389,550	50.9% 237,675
Agriculture	306,900	100.0% 306,875	100.0% 306,875	99.8% 306,300	98.6% 302,675	67.3% 206,575	28.4% 87,300
Grazing	302,925	100.0% 302,900	100.0% 302,900	99.8% 302,400	98.8% 299,150	67.9% 205,650	28.7% 87,075
Grazing non forest	231,725	100.0% 231,725	100.0% 231,725	99.8% 231,350	98.8% 228,950	63.6% 147,375	23.8% 55,100
Grazing Woodland forest	24,400	99.9% 24,375	99.9% 24,375	99.8% 24,350	98.9% 24,125	80.1% 19,550	42.8% 10,450
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	46,800	100.0% 46,800	100.0% 46,800	99.8% 46,700	98.5% 46,075	82.7% 38,725	46.0% 21,525
Production native forests and plantation forests	1,098,075	99.7% 1,095,325	99.7% 1,095,200	99.6% 1,093,775	98.8% 1,085,100	88.6% 972,425	58.6% 643,625

