Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM East Gippsland VIC

Date: July 2005

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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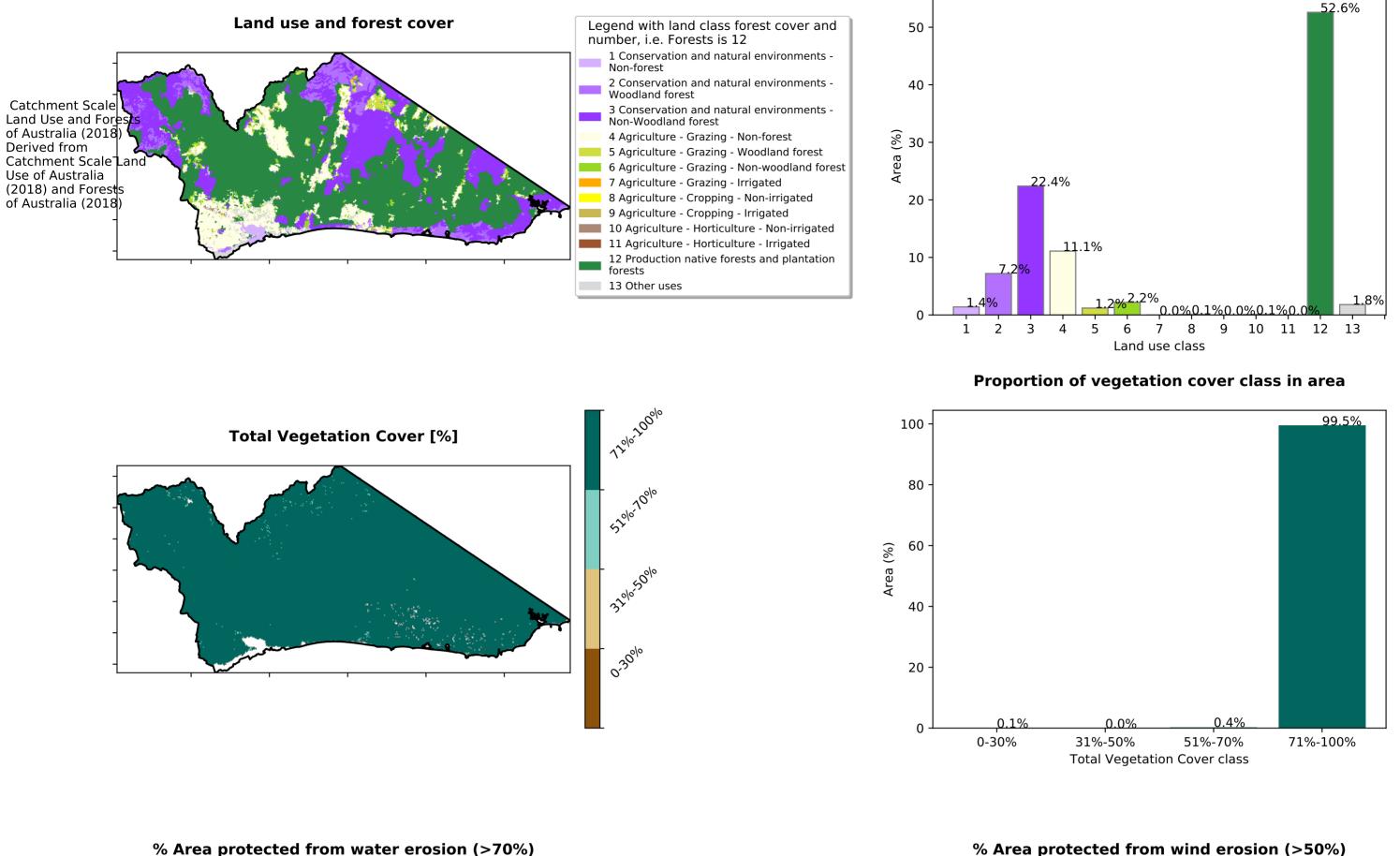
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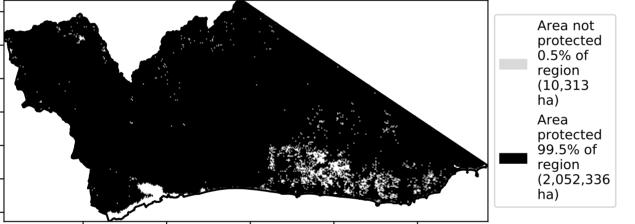


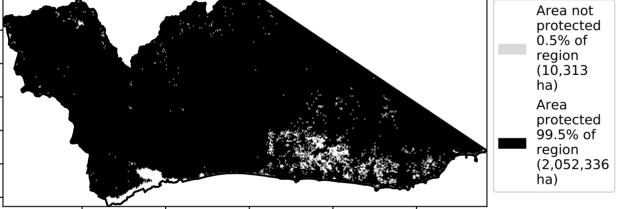
Vegetation Cover Jul 2005

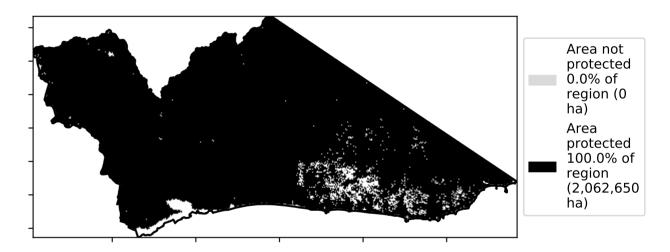
Proportion of each land class in area



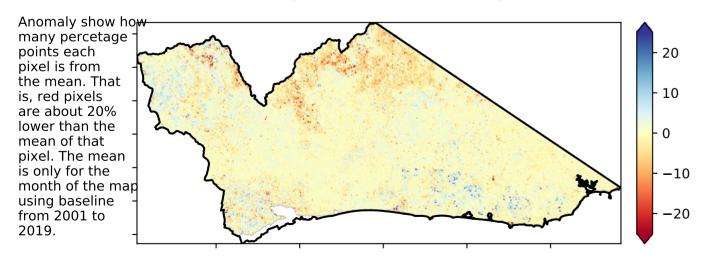
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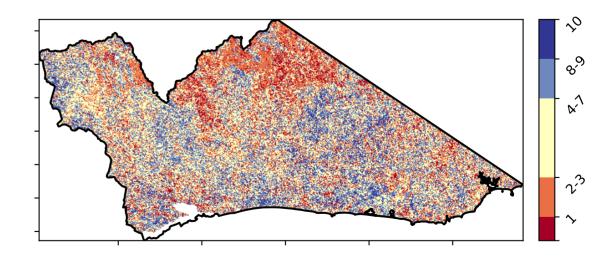


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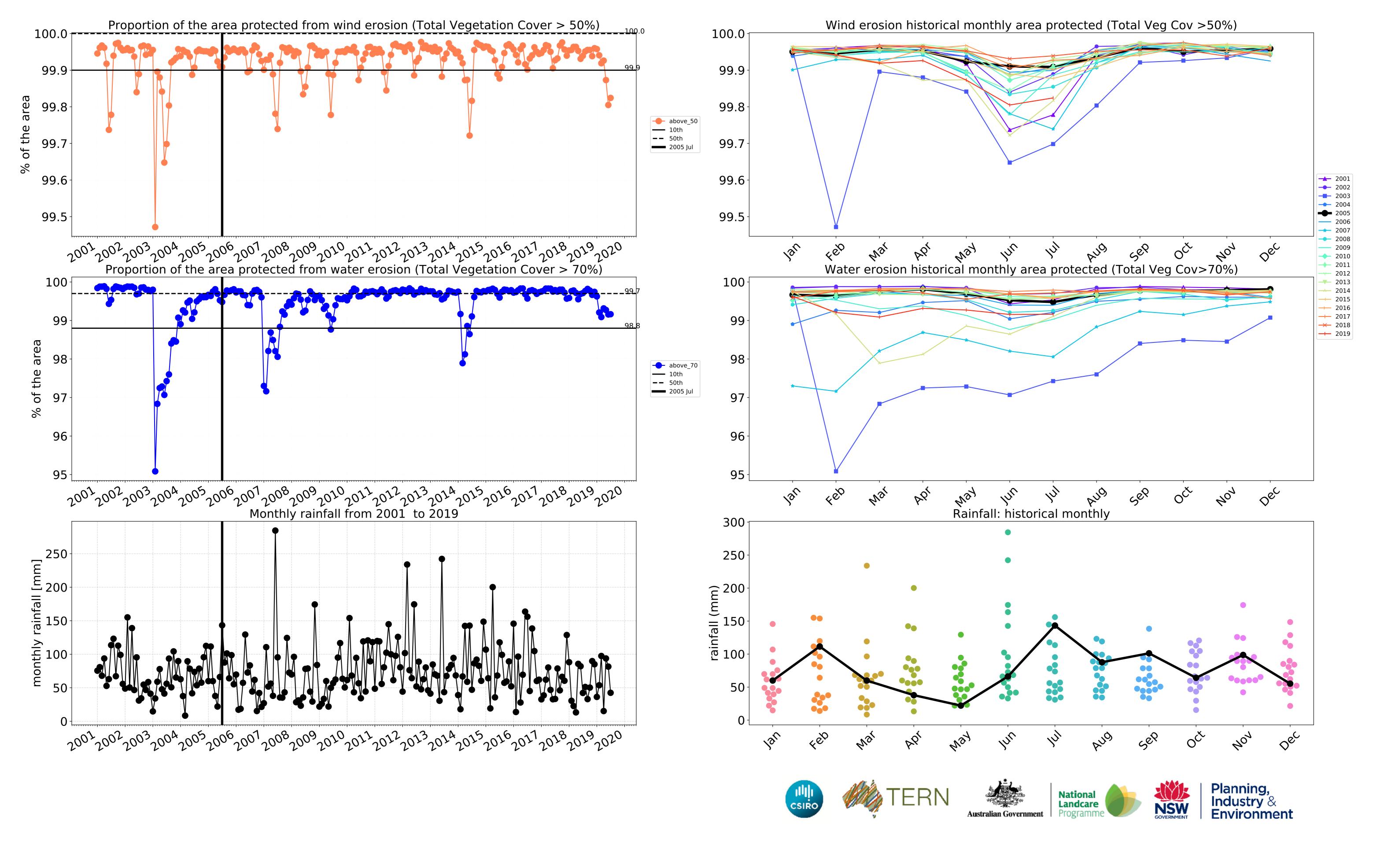


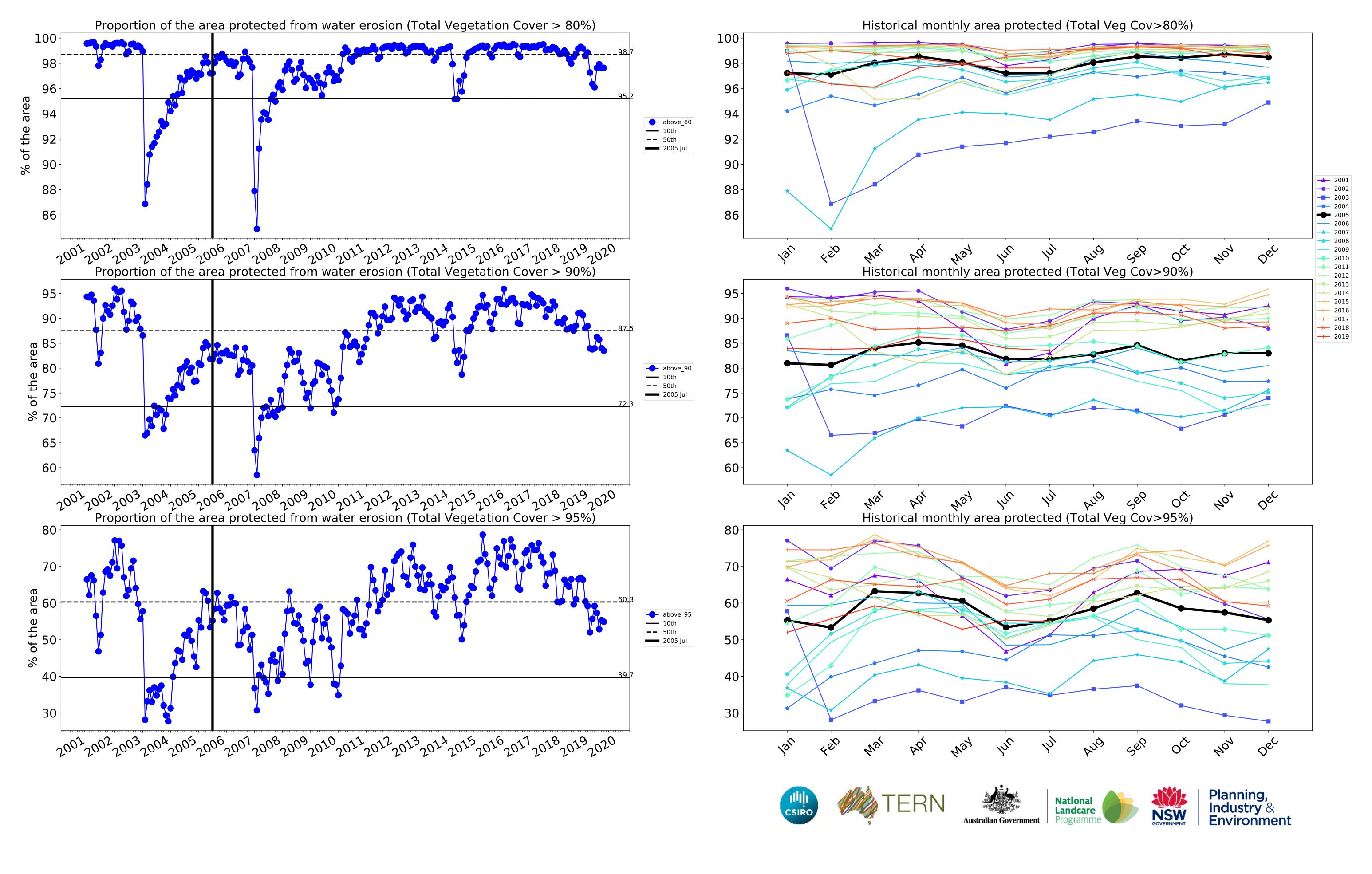
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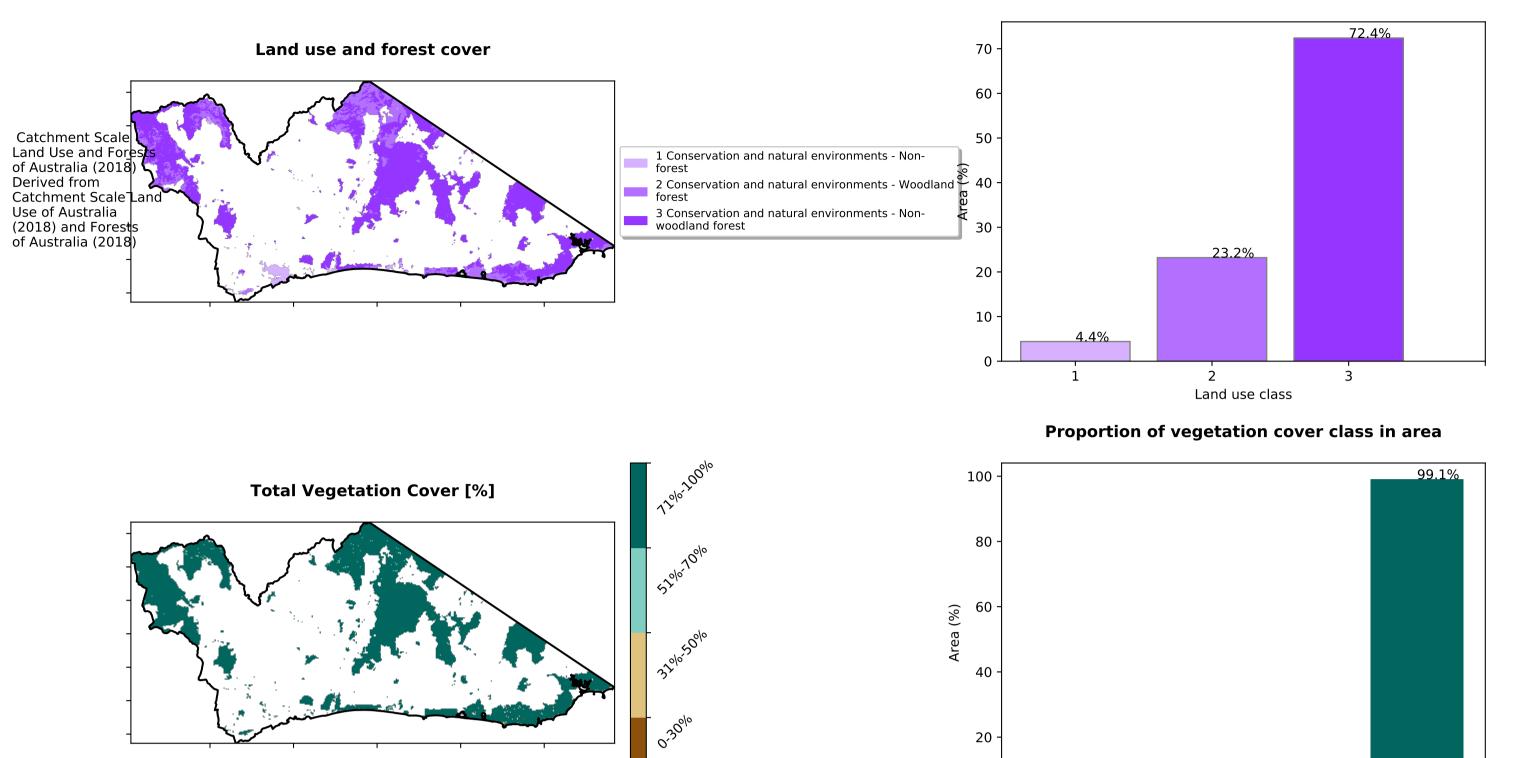






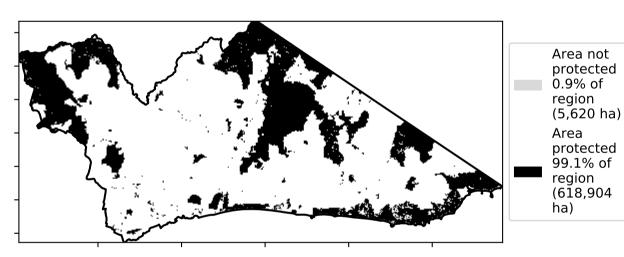


Conservation and natural environments



Proportion of each land class in area

% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





Total Vegetation Cover class

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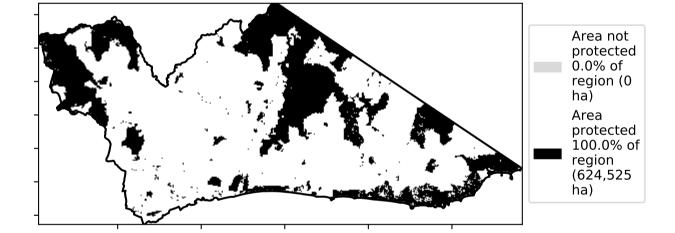
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0-30%



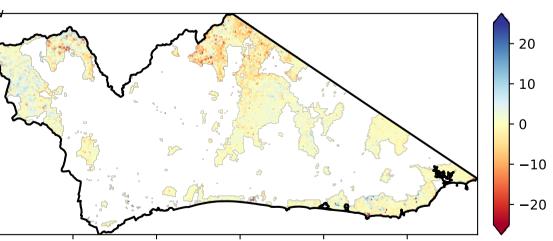
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71%-100%

51%-70%

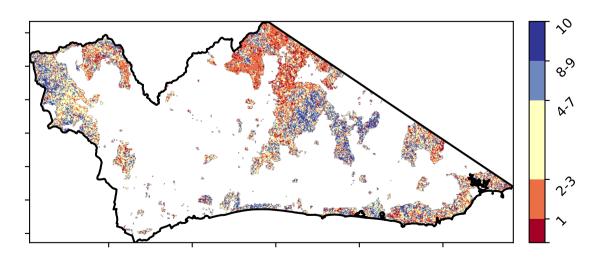
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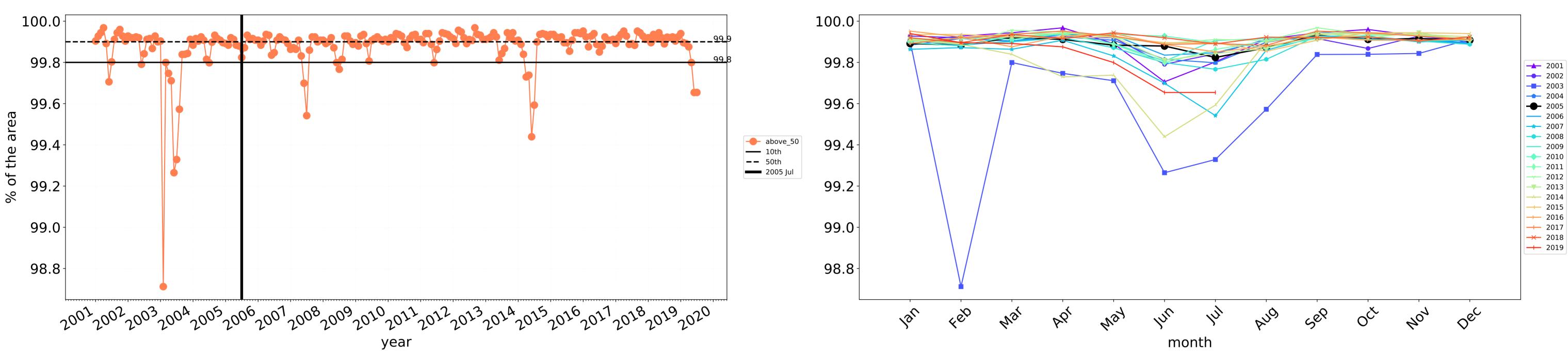


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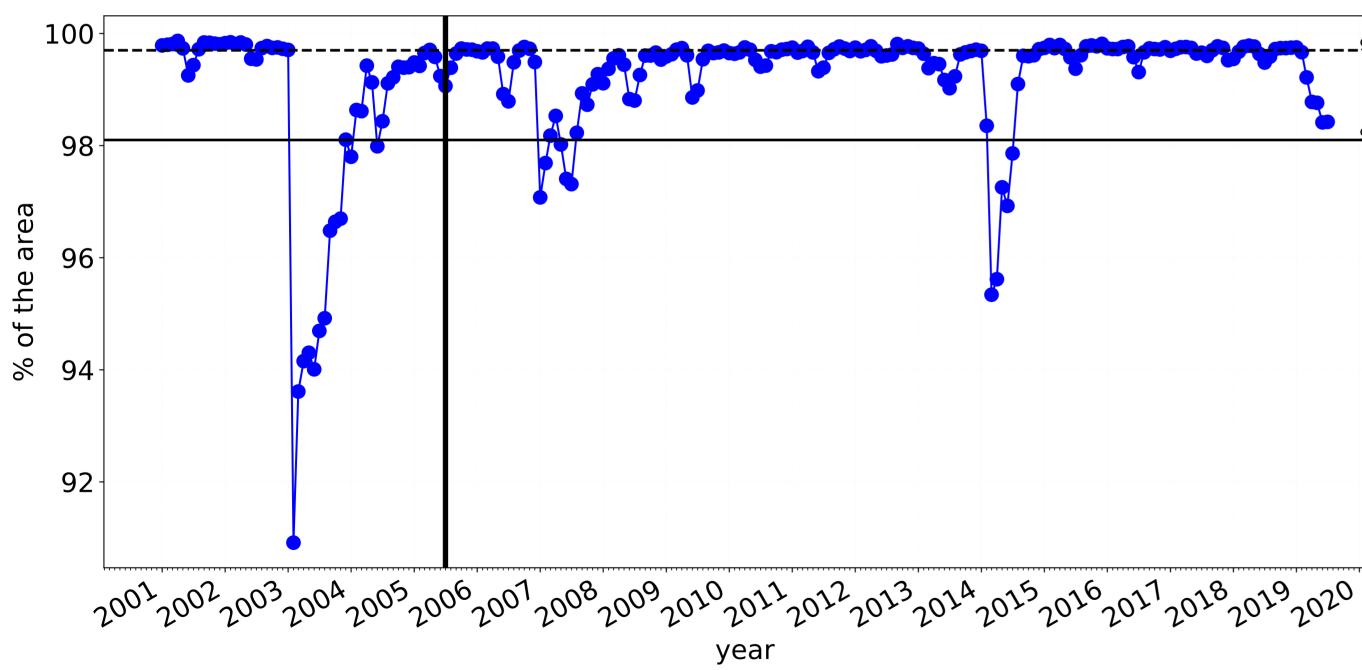






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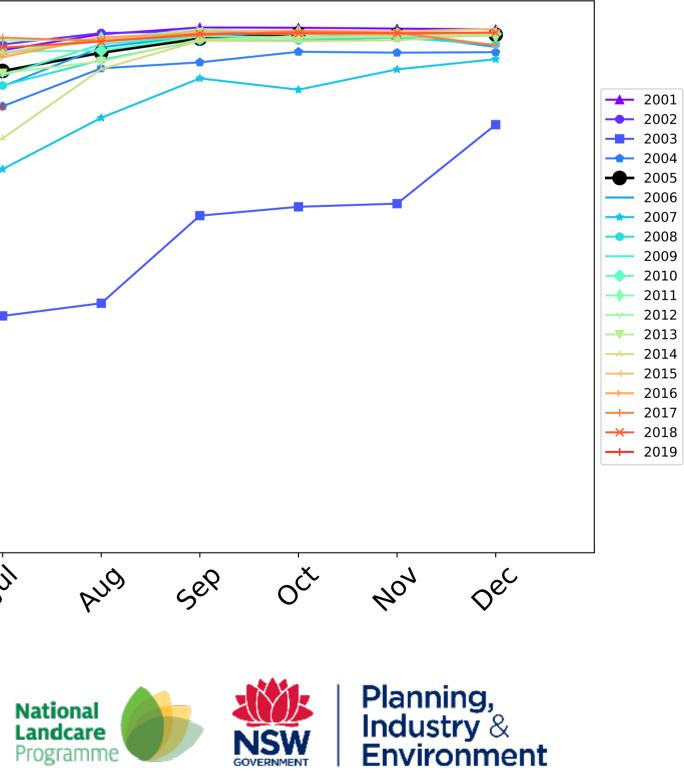
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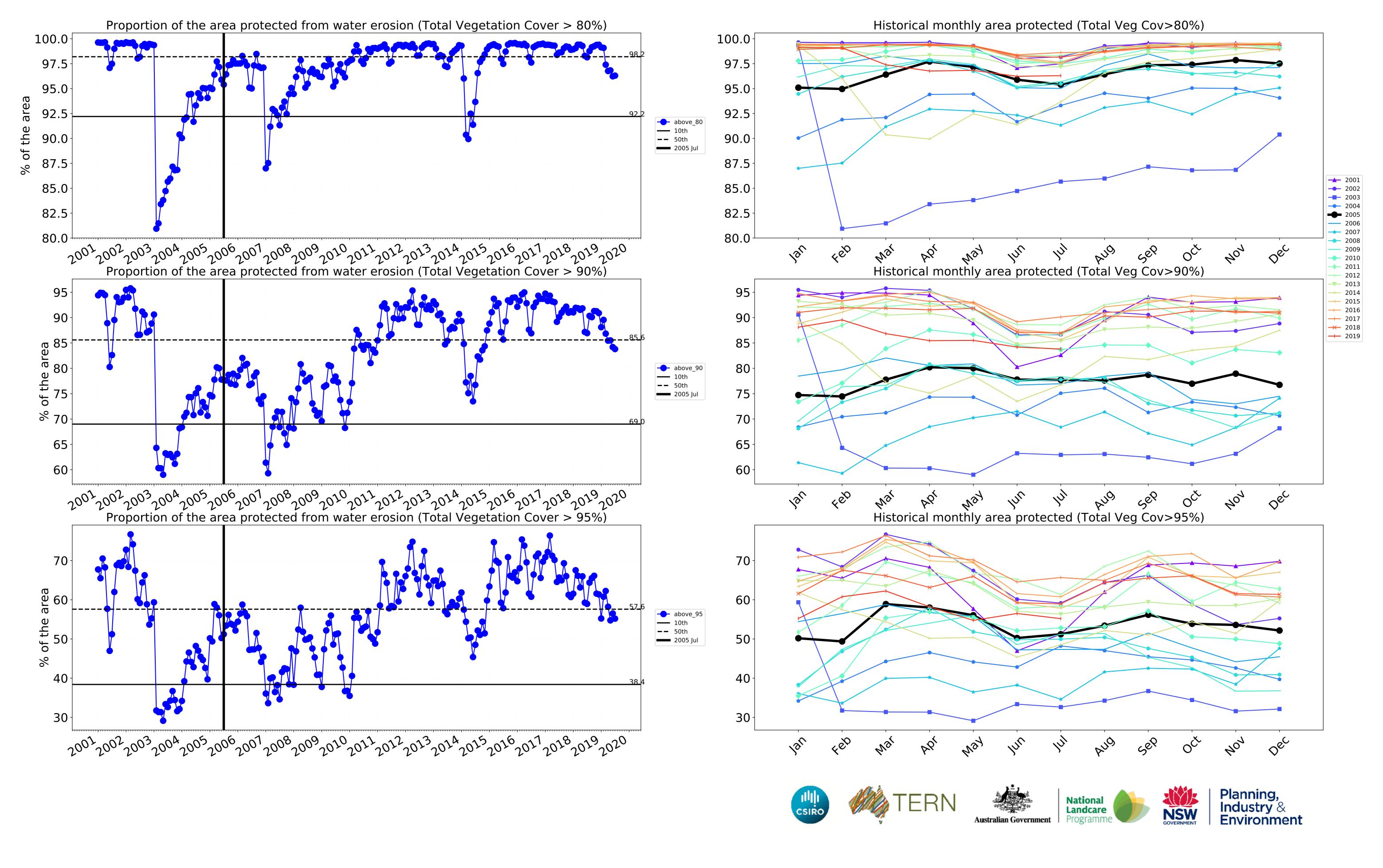


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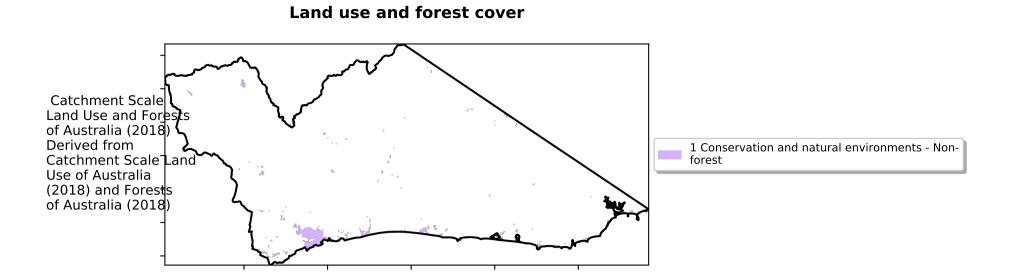
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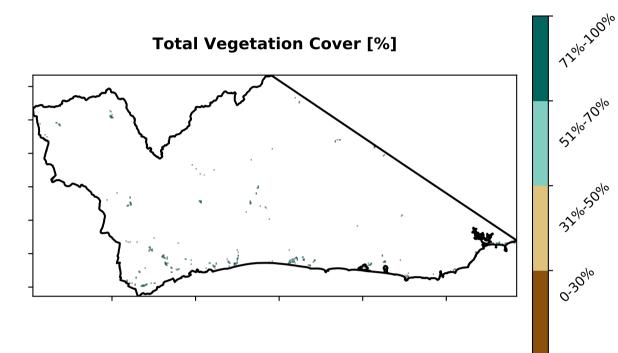
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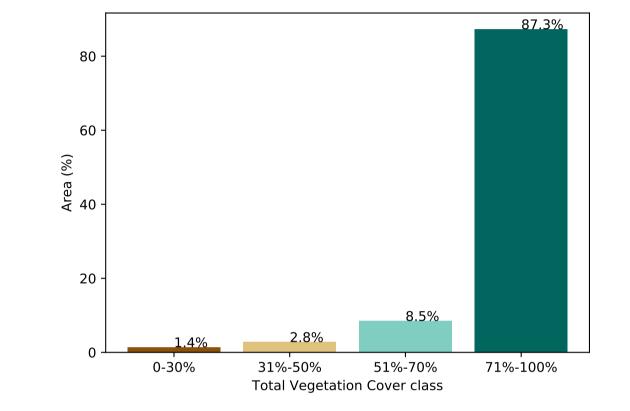


Conservation and natural environments non forest

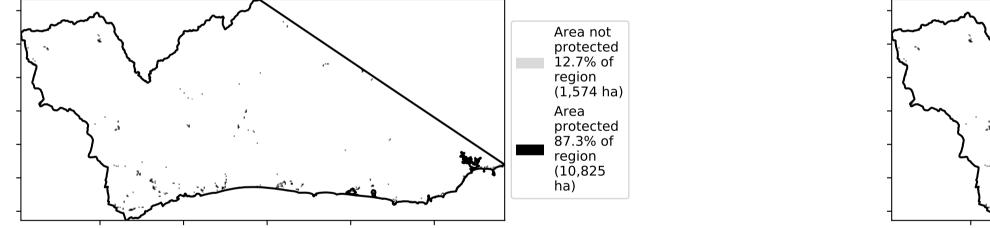


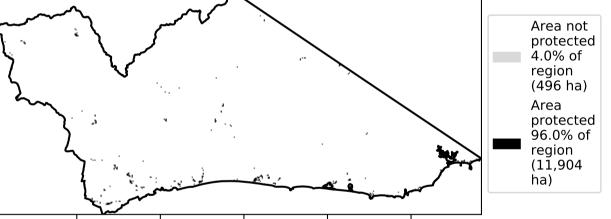


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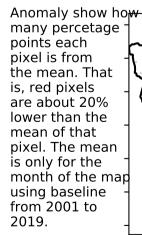


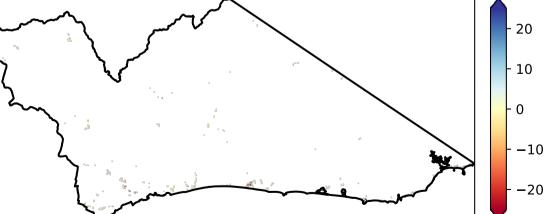
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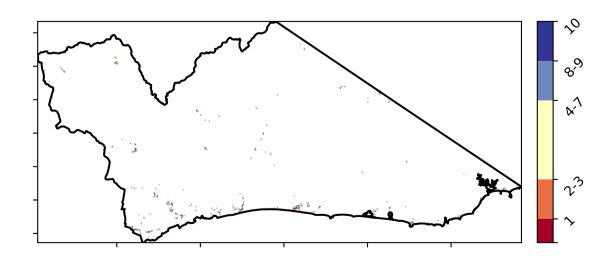
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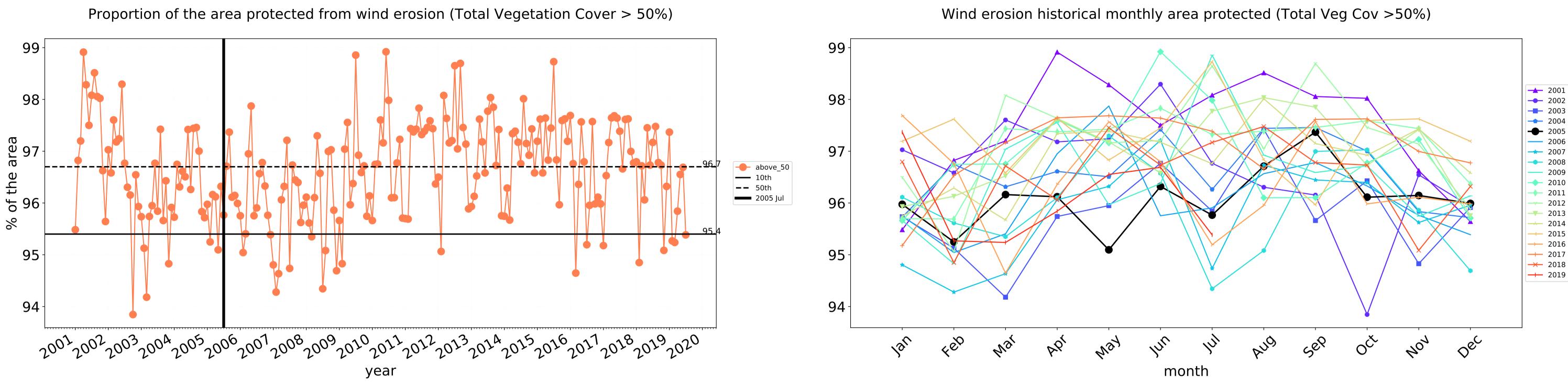


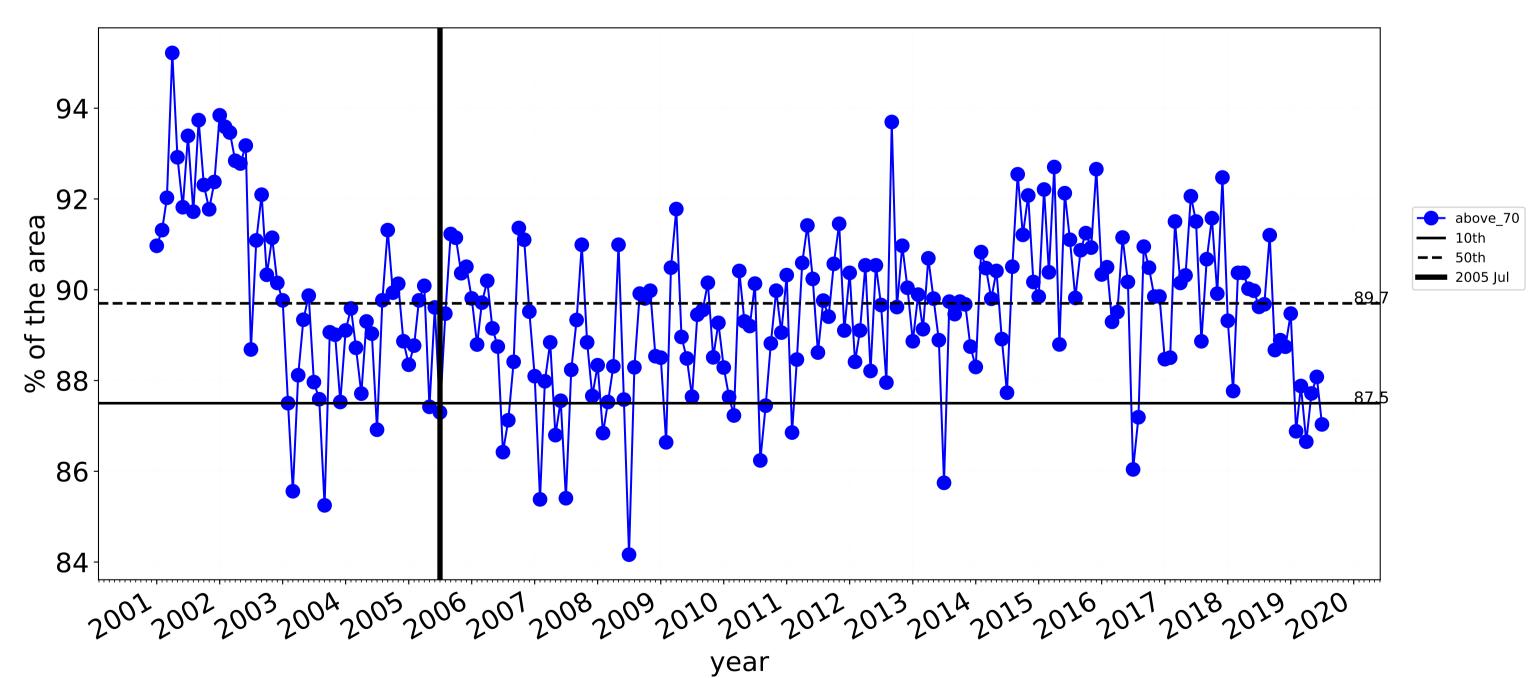
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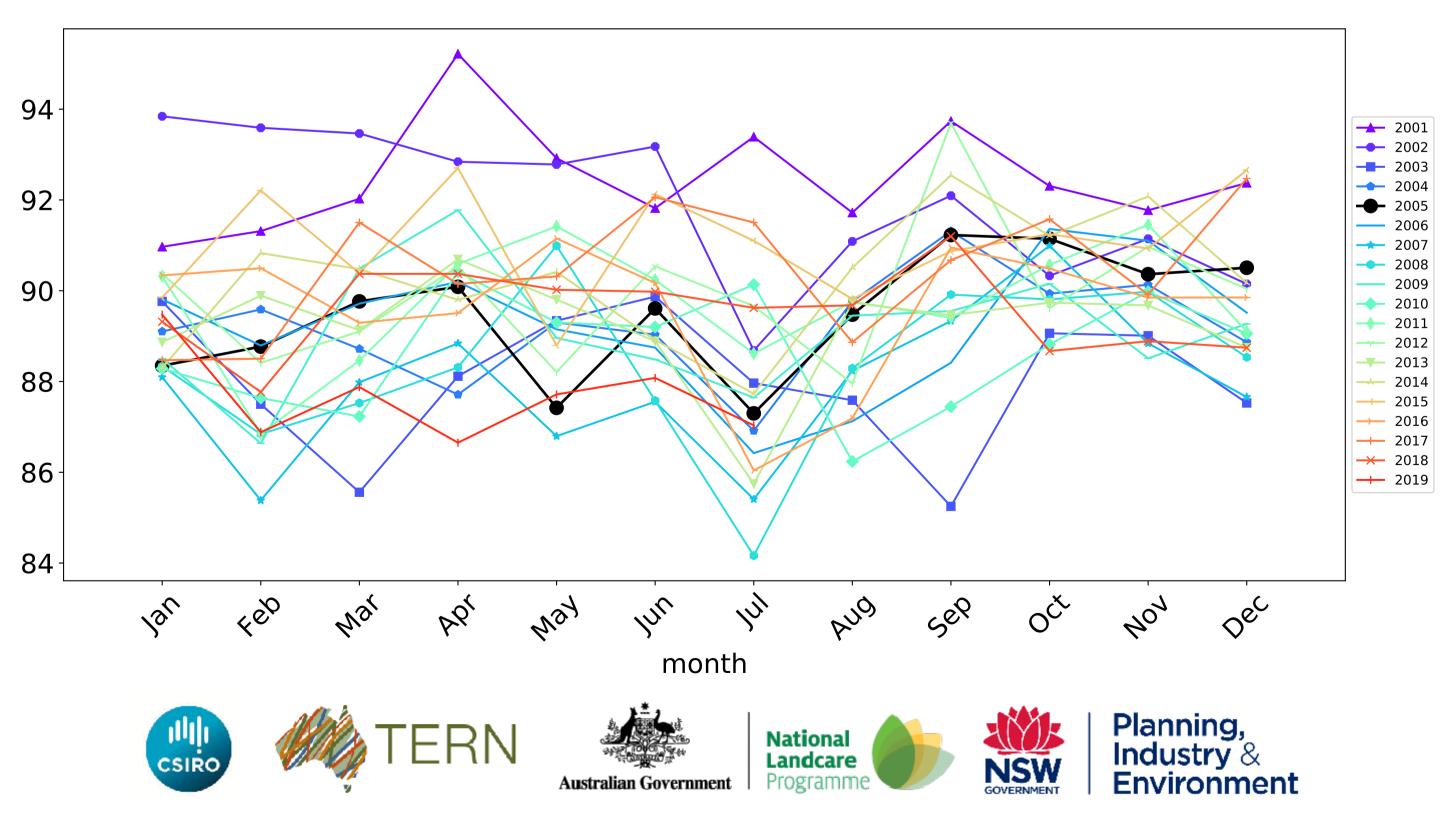


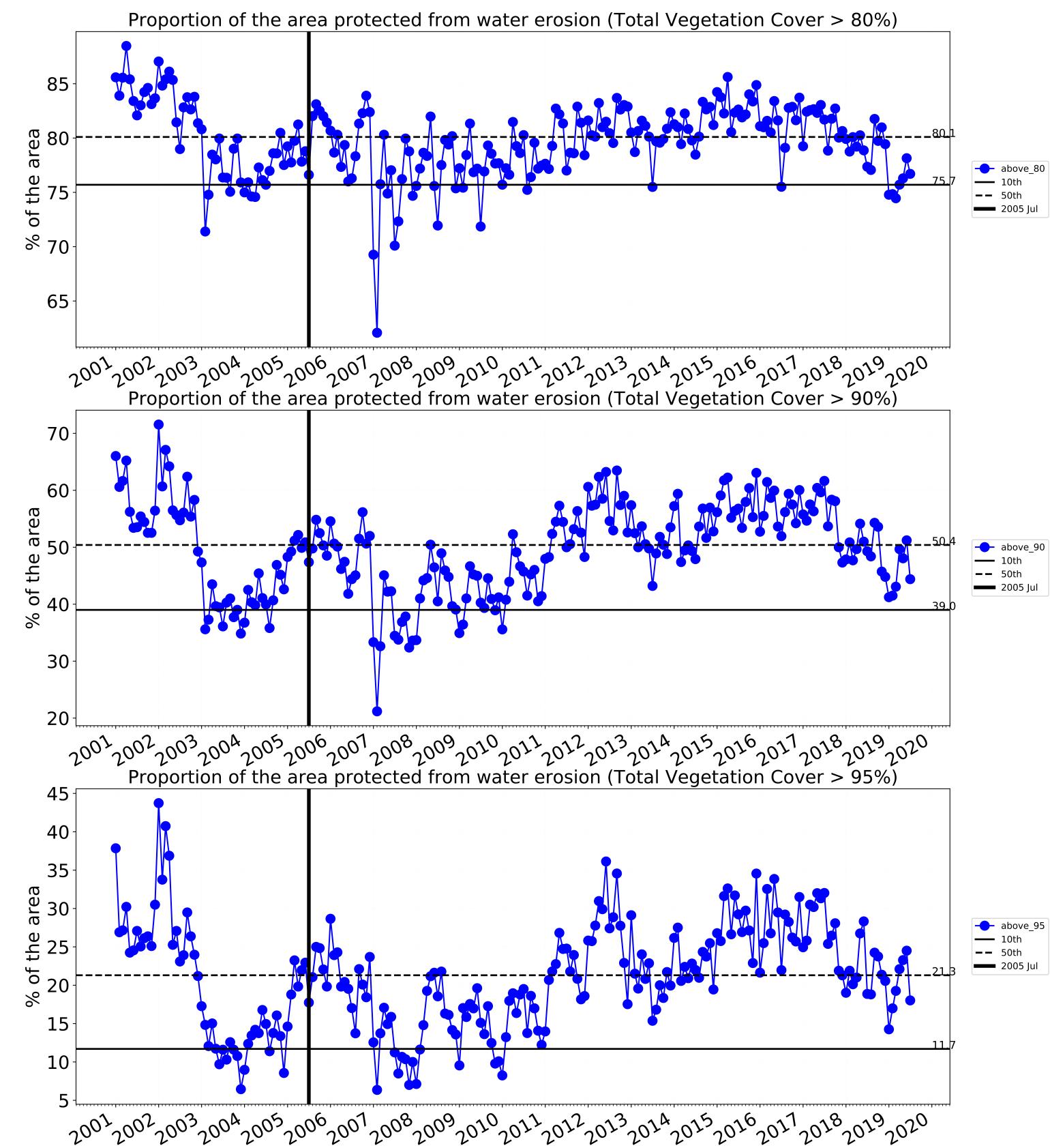


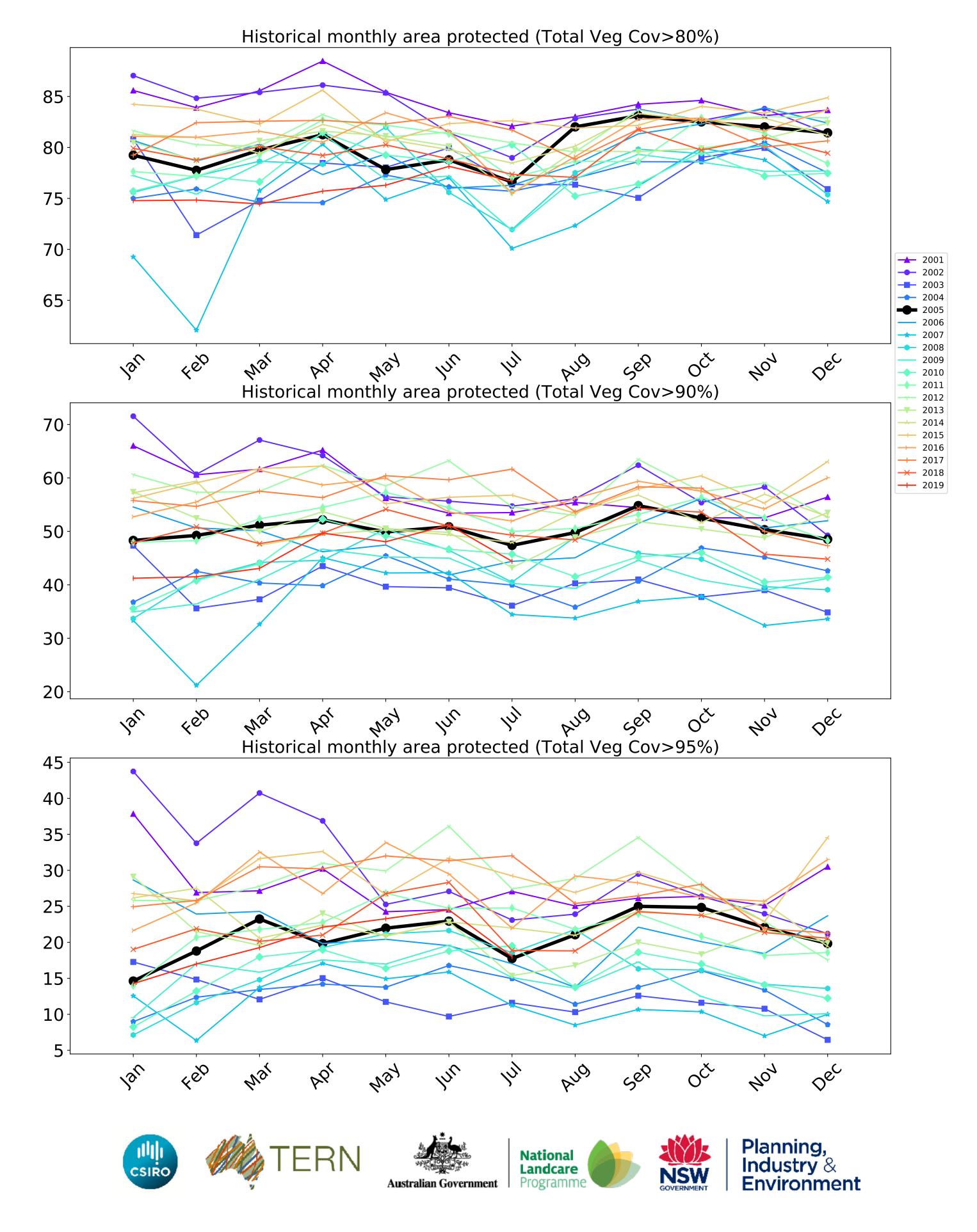




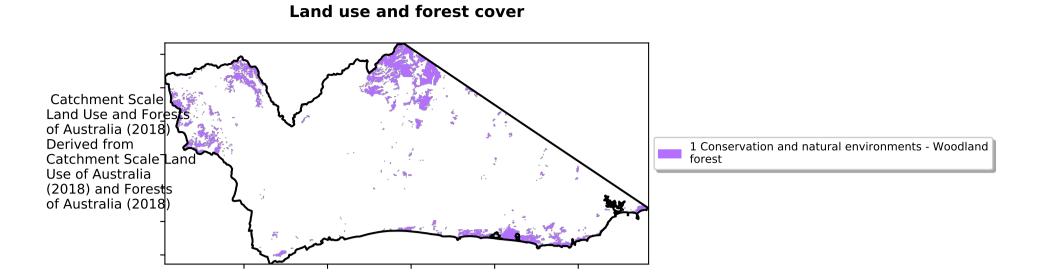
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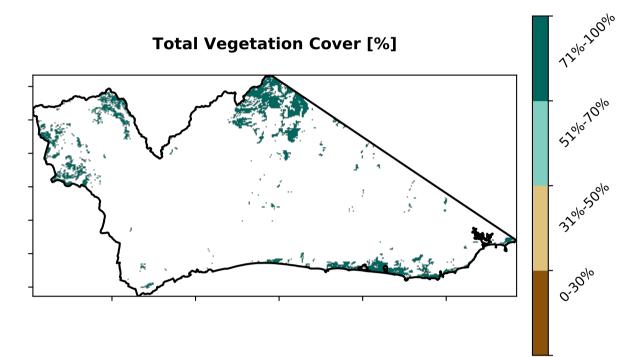




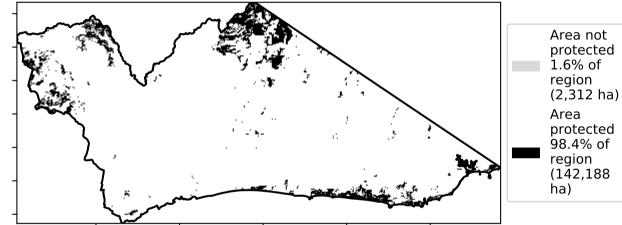


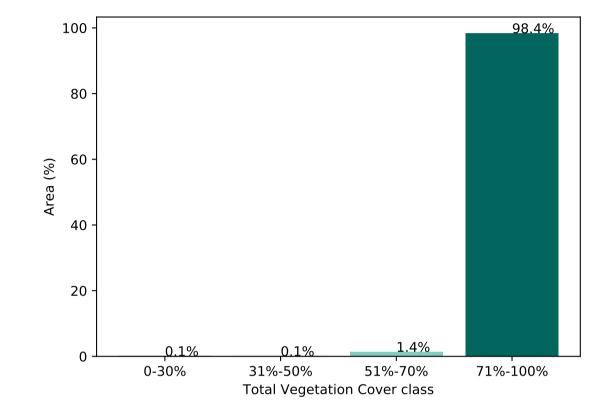
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest





% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

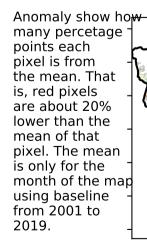


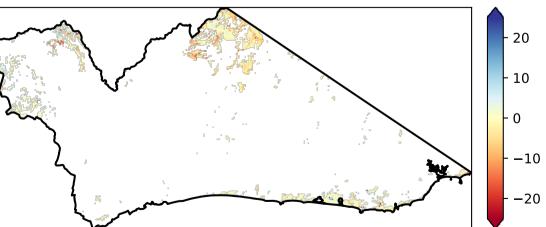


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



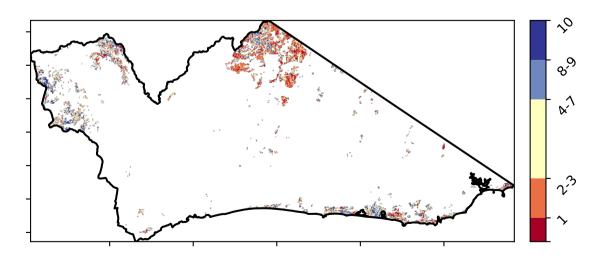
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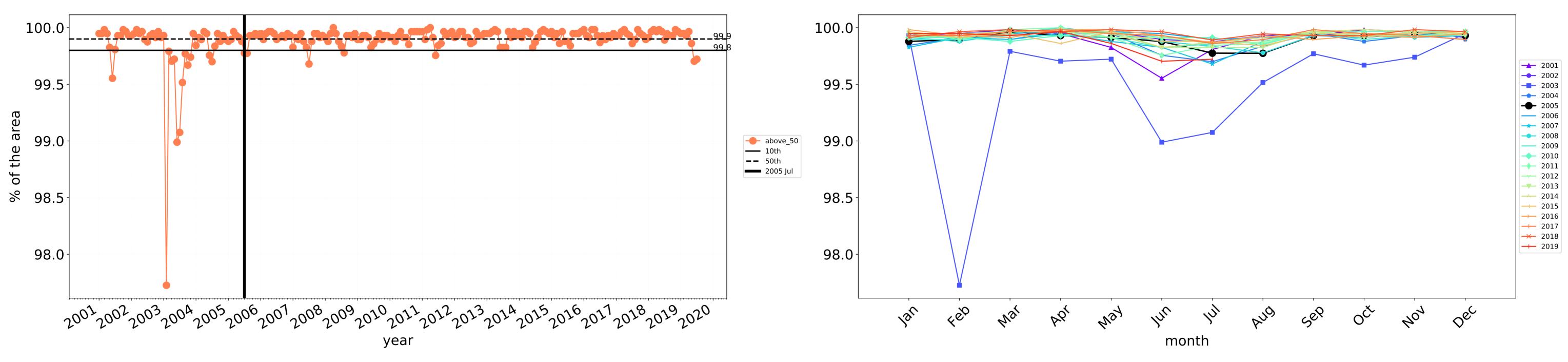


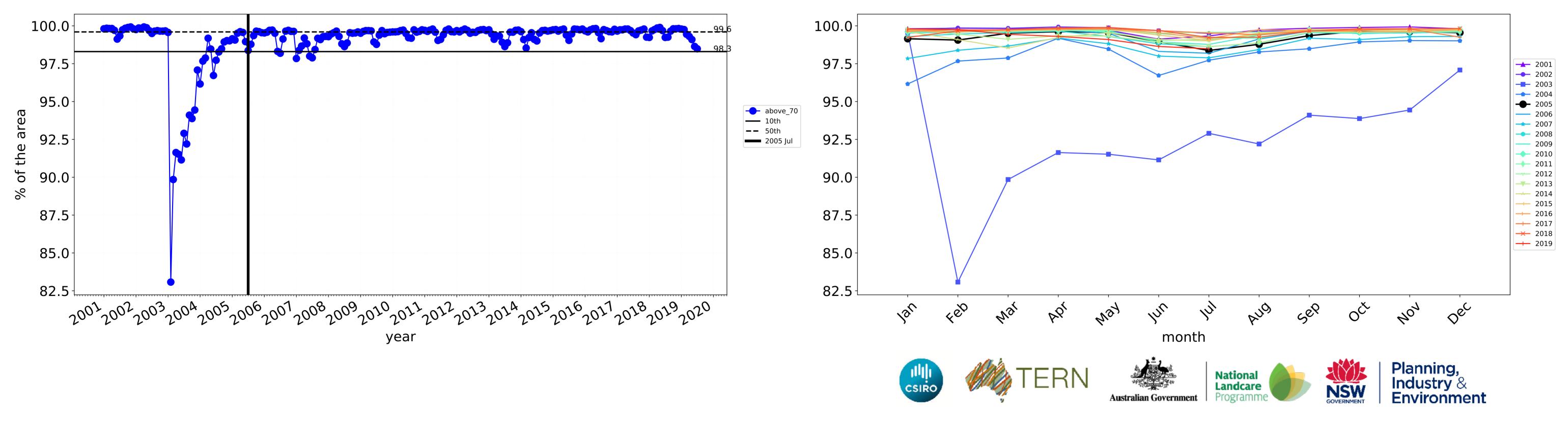
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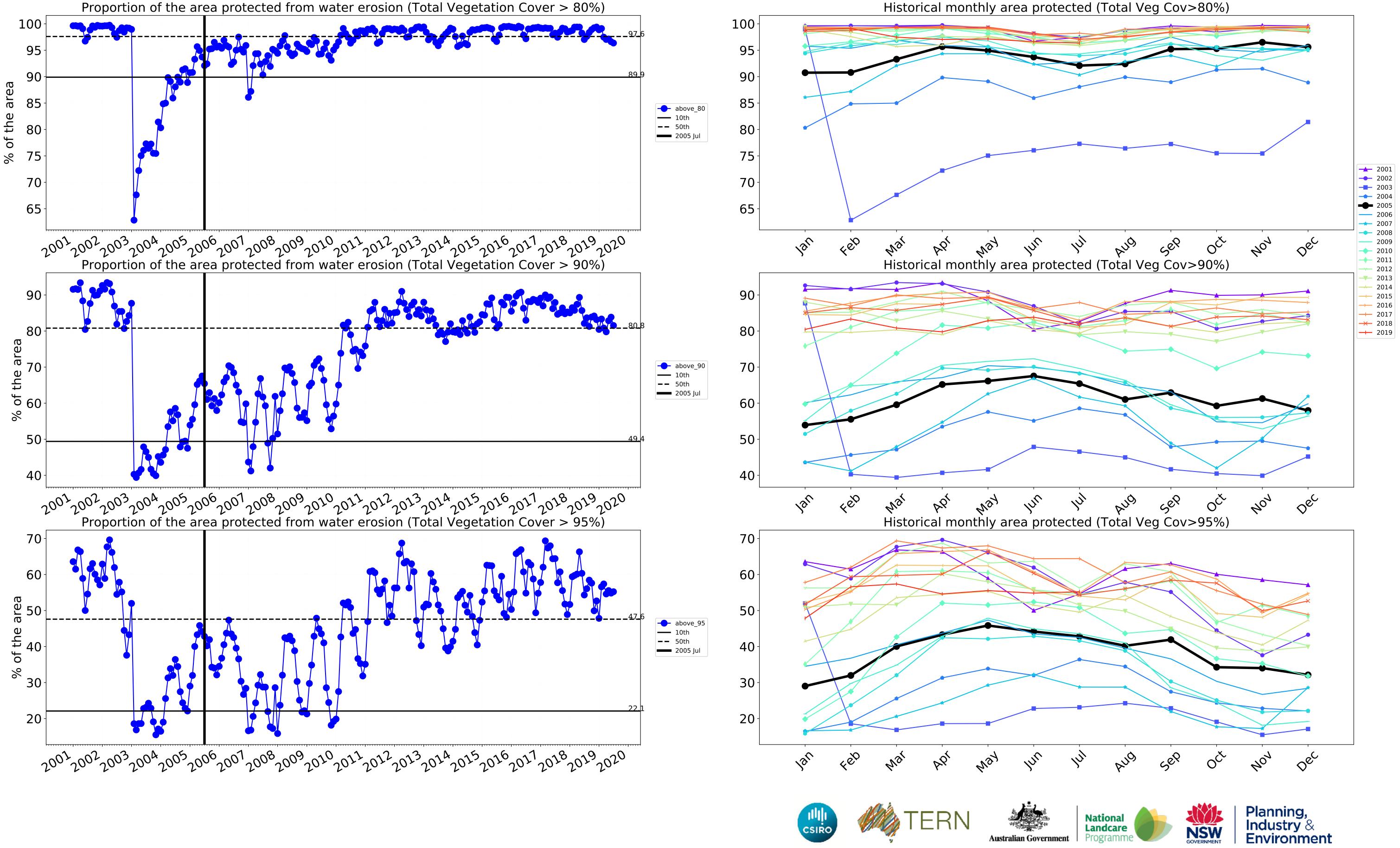




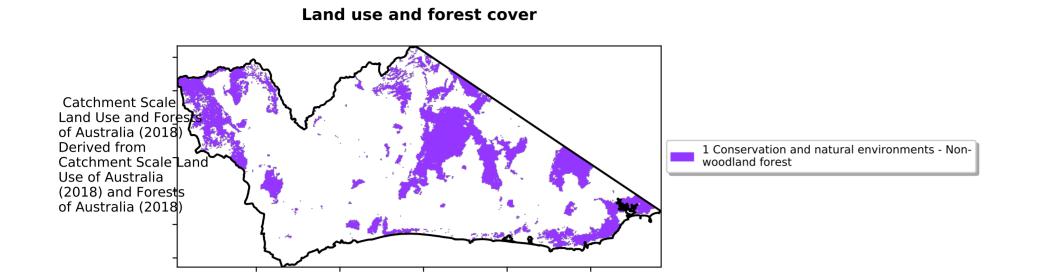




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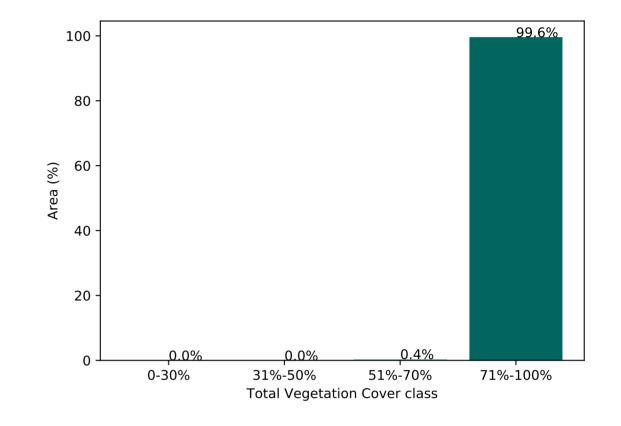


Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)



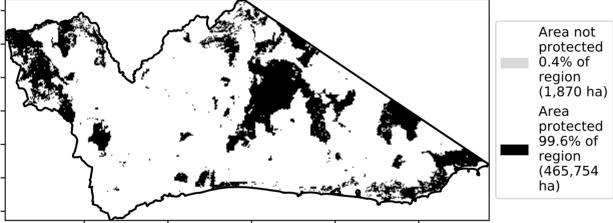
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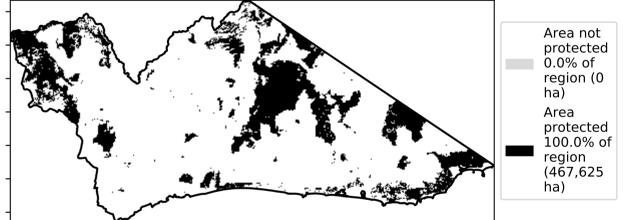
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

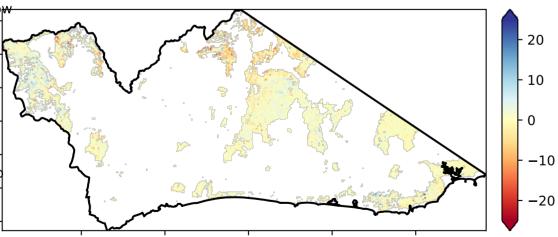
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





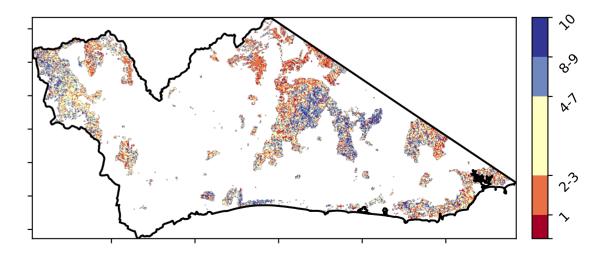
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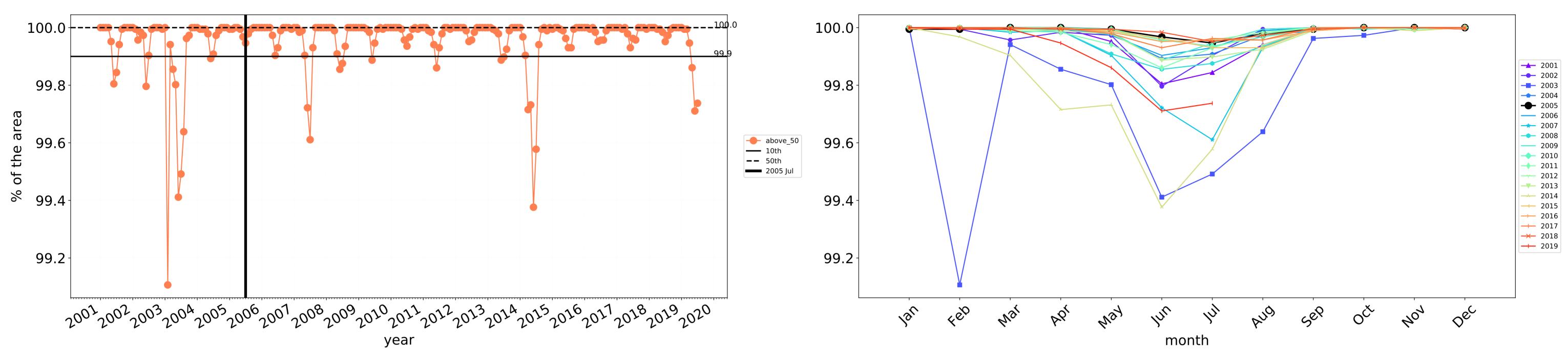
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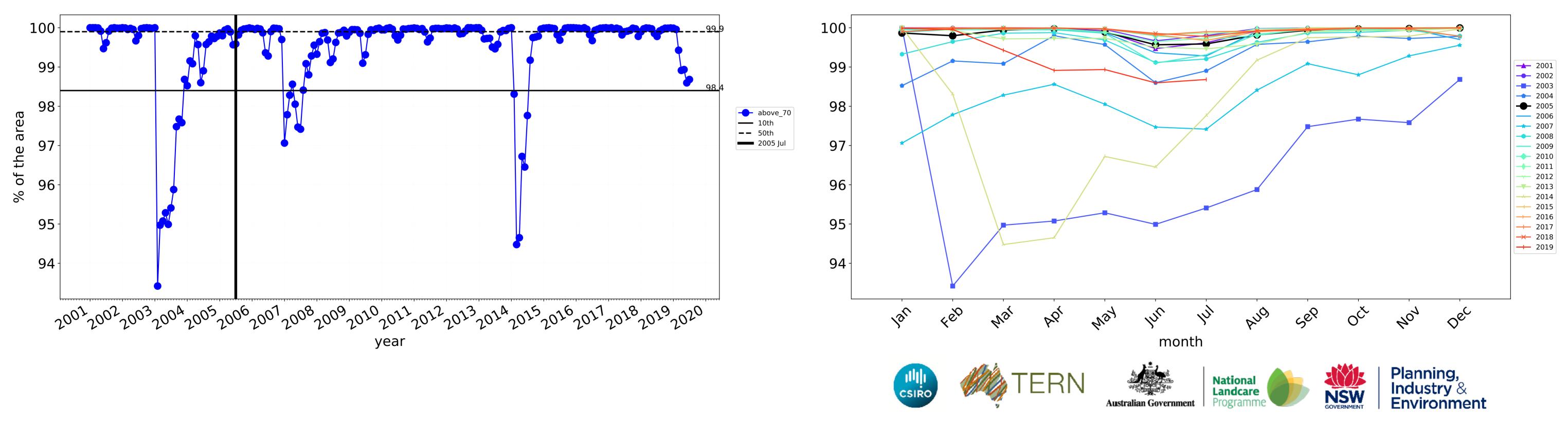




Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries

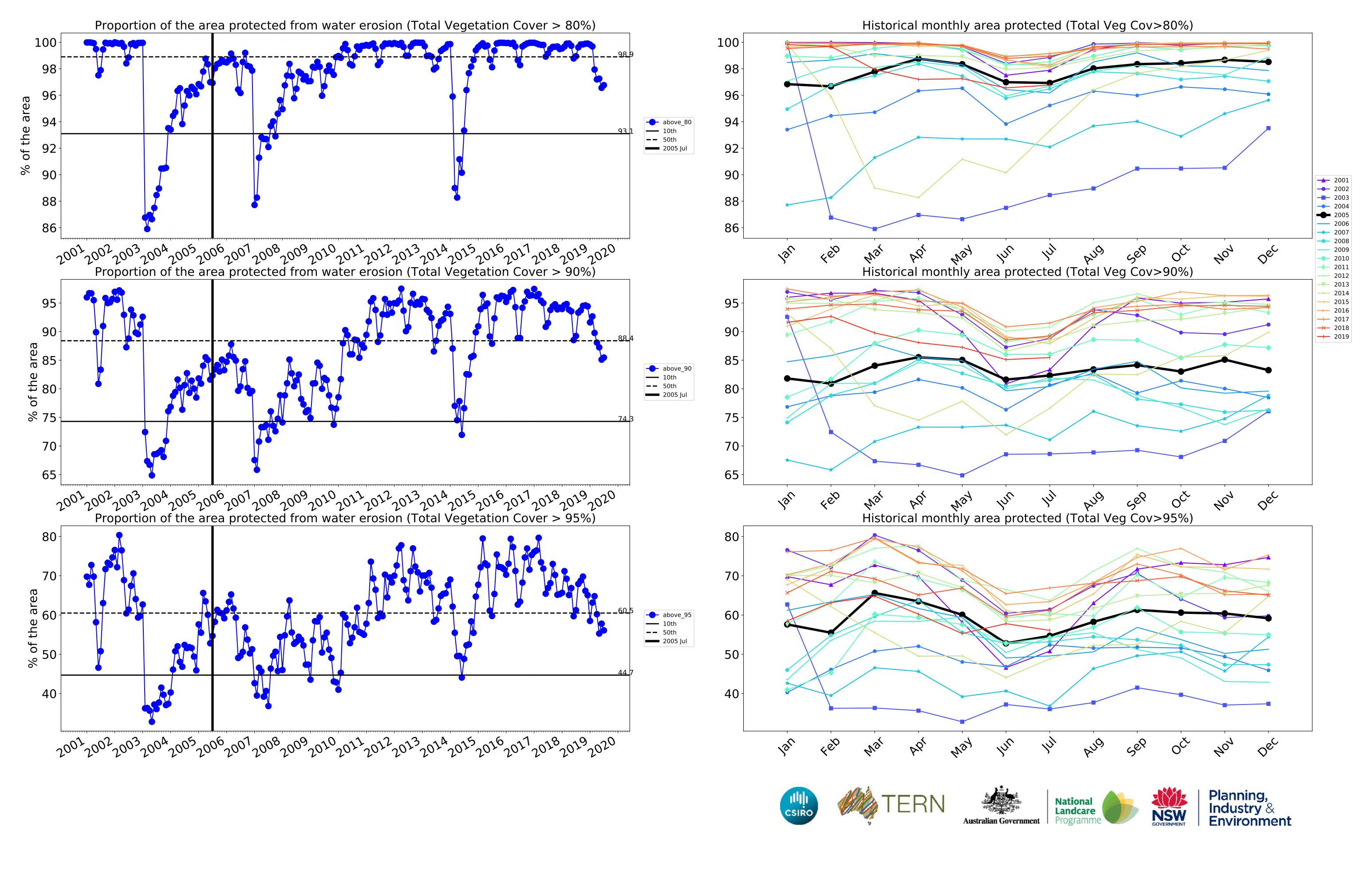


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

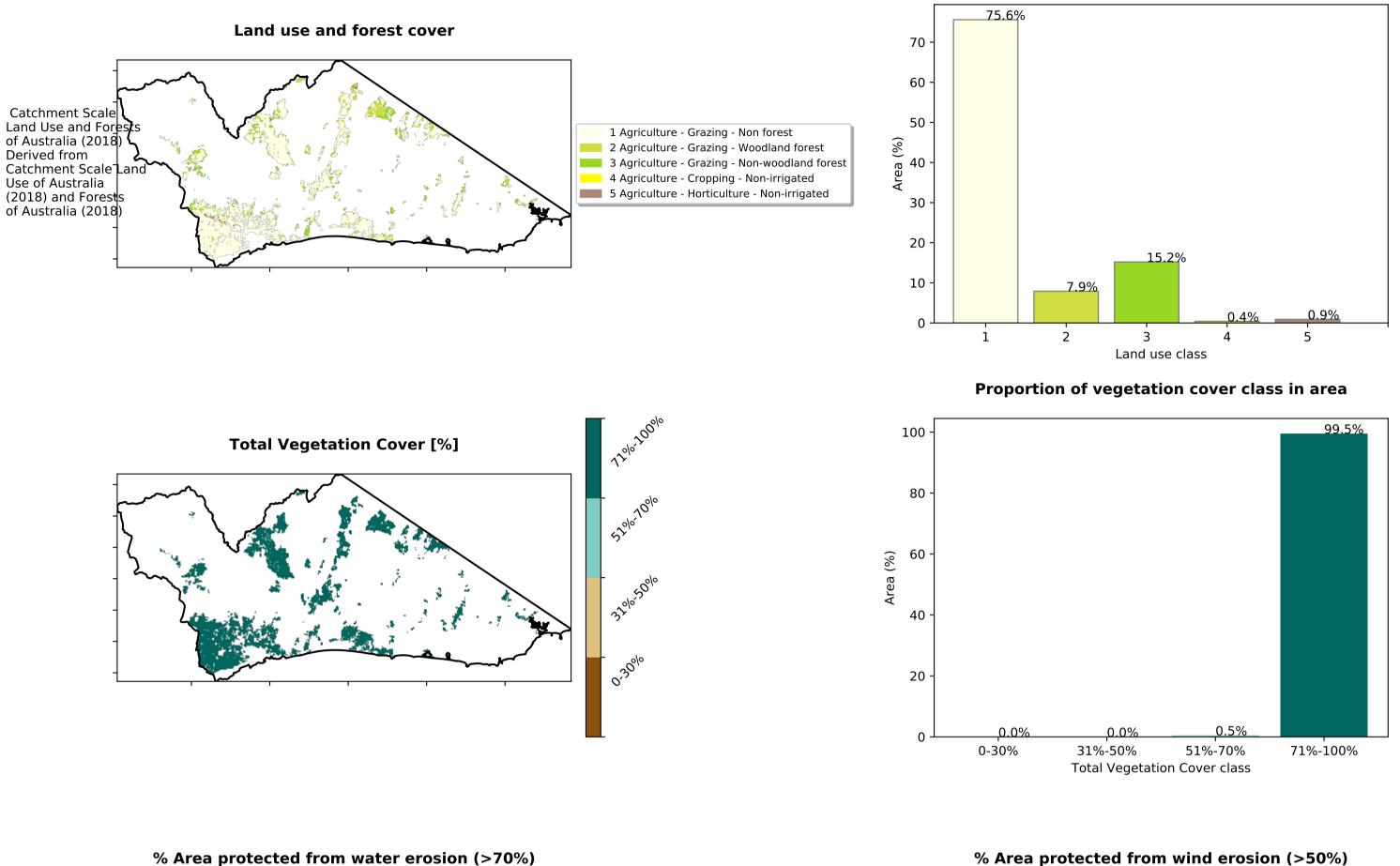






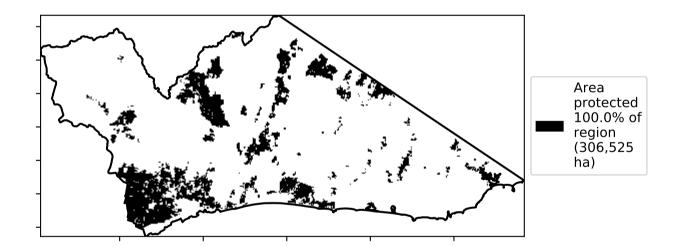


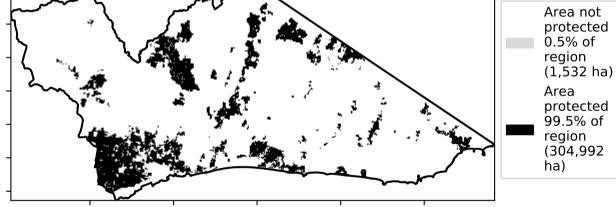
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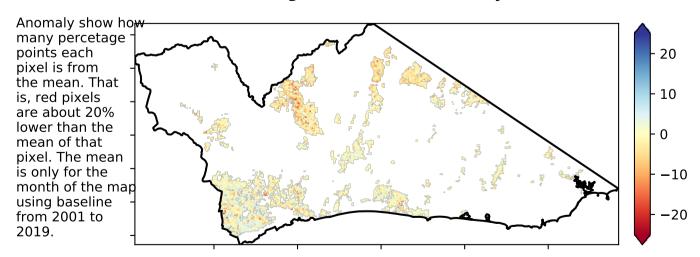
Proportion of each land class in area





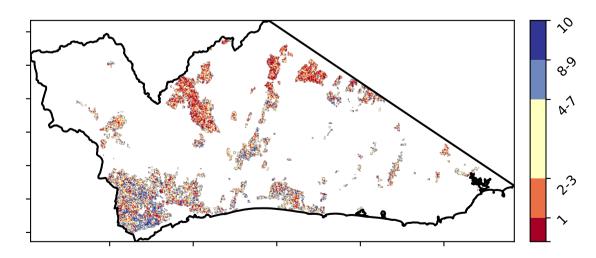


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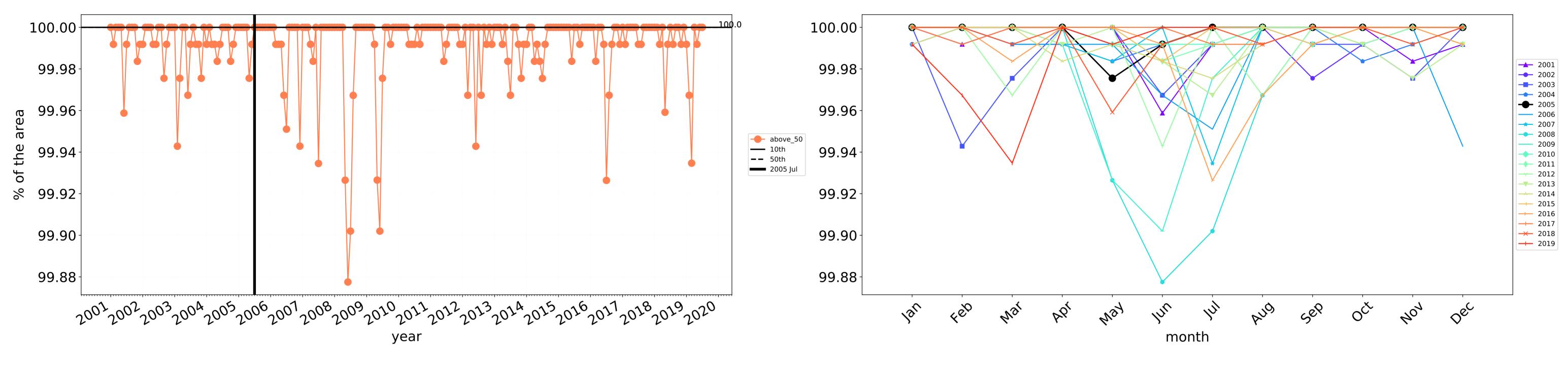


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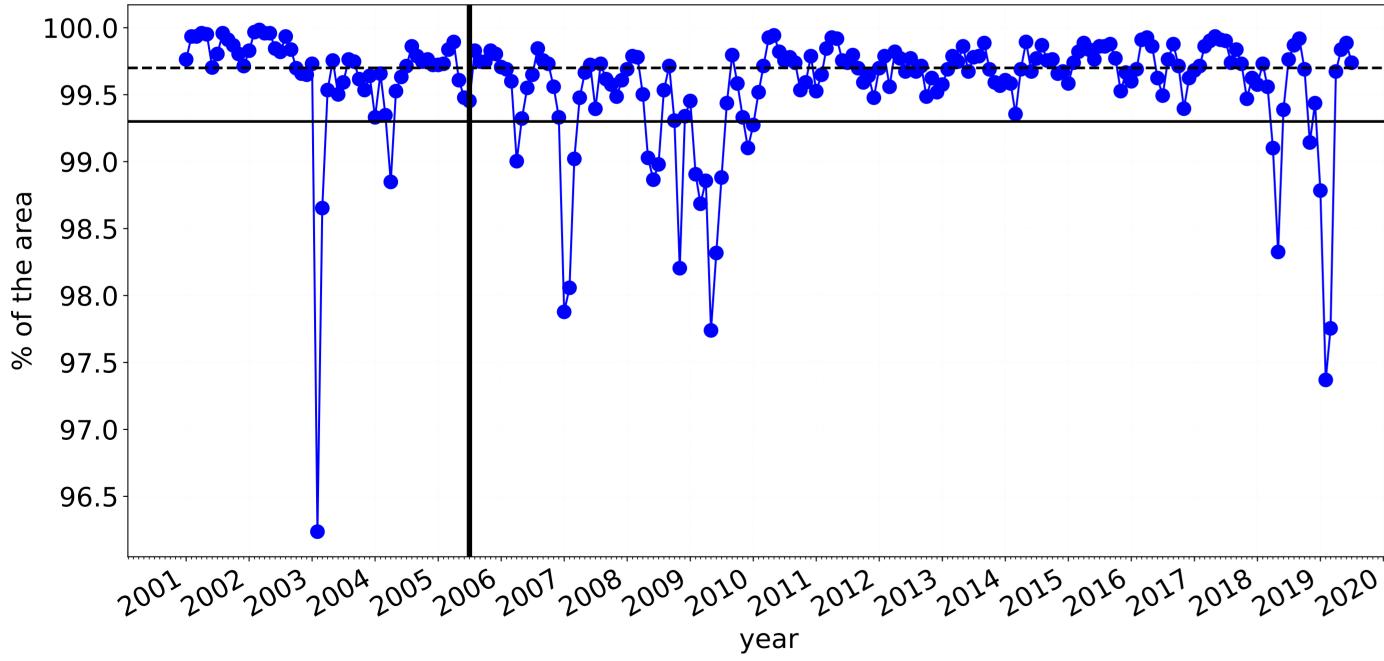
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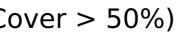






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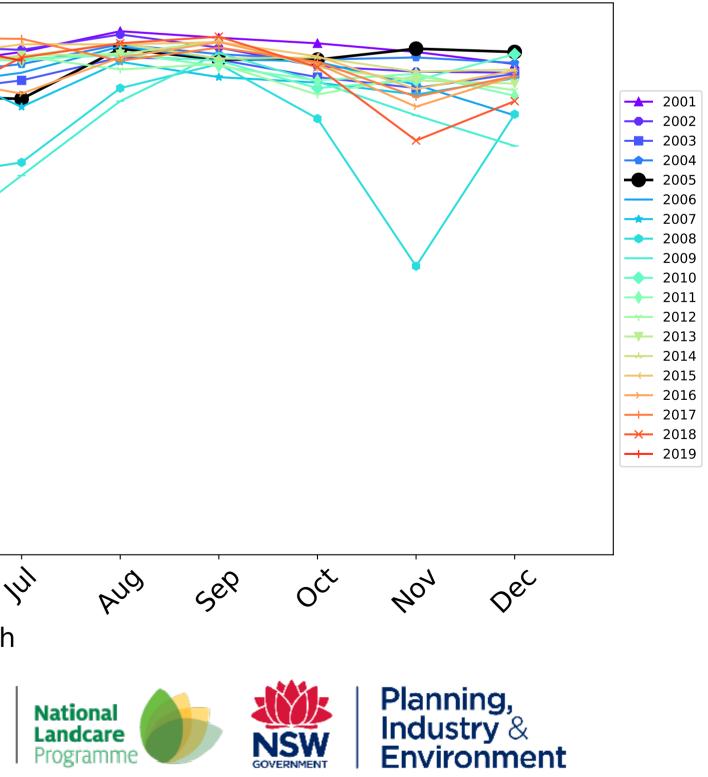


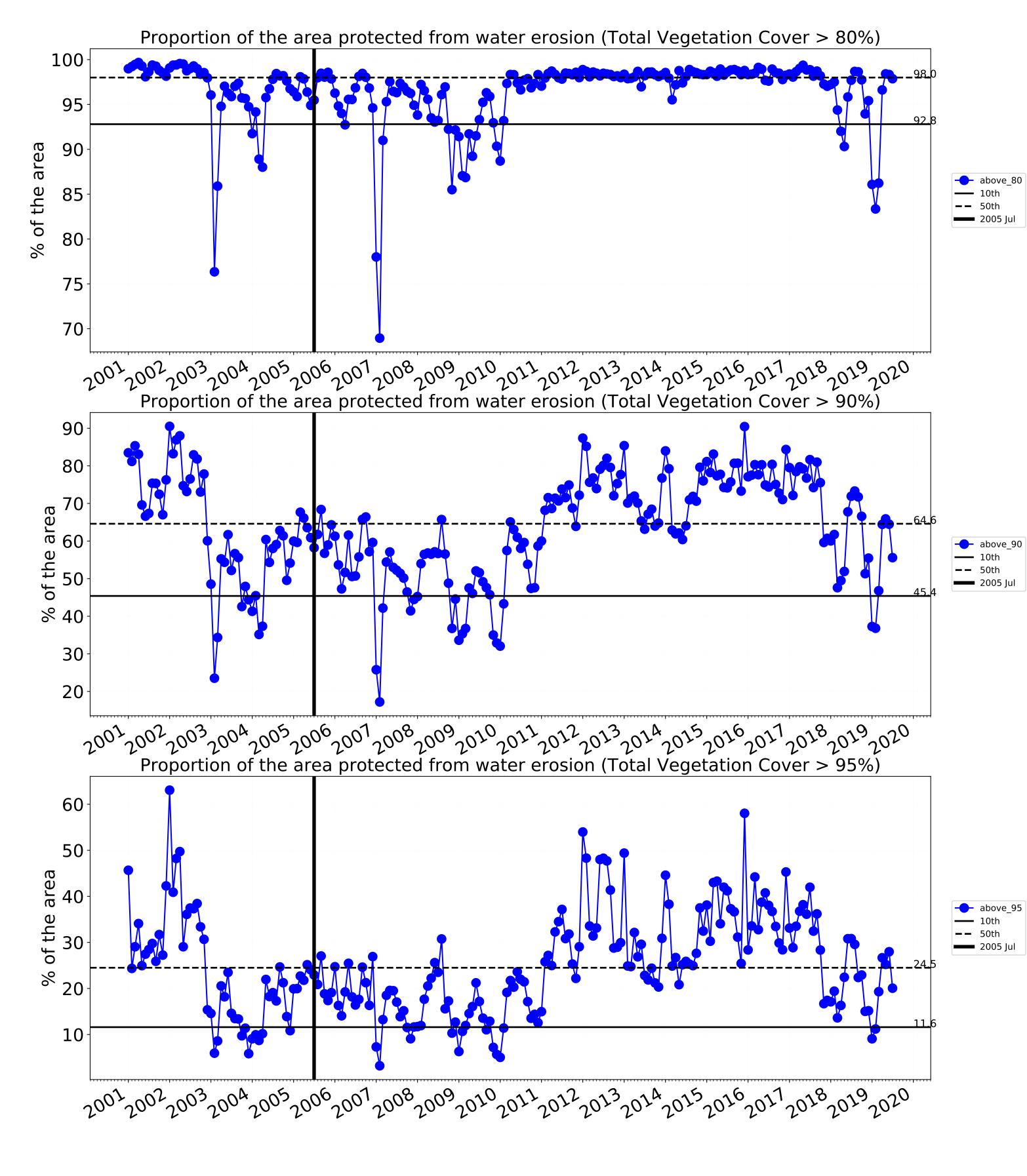


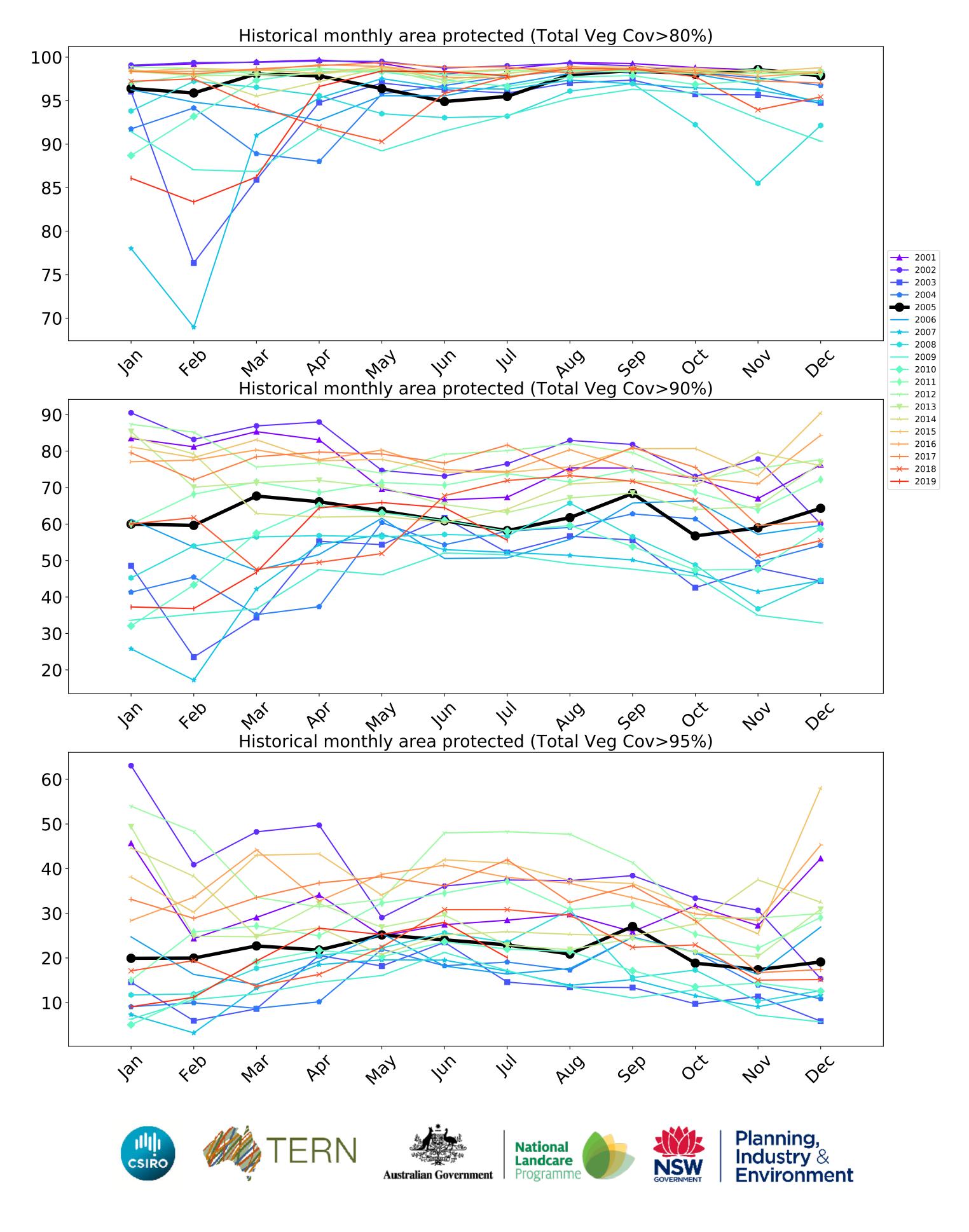
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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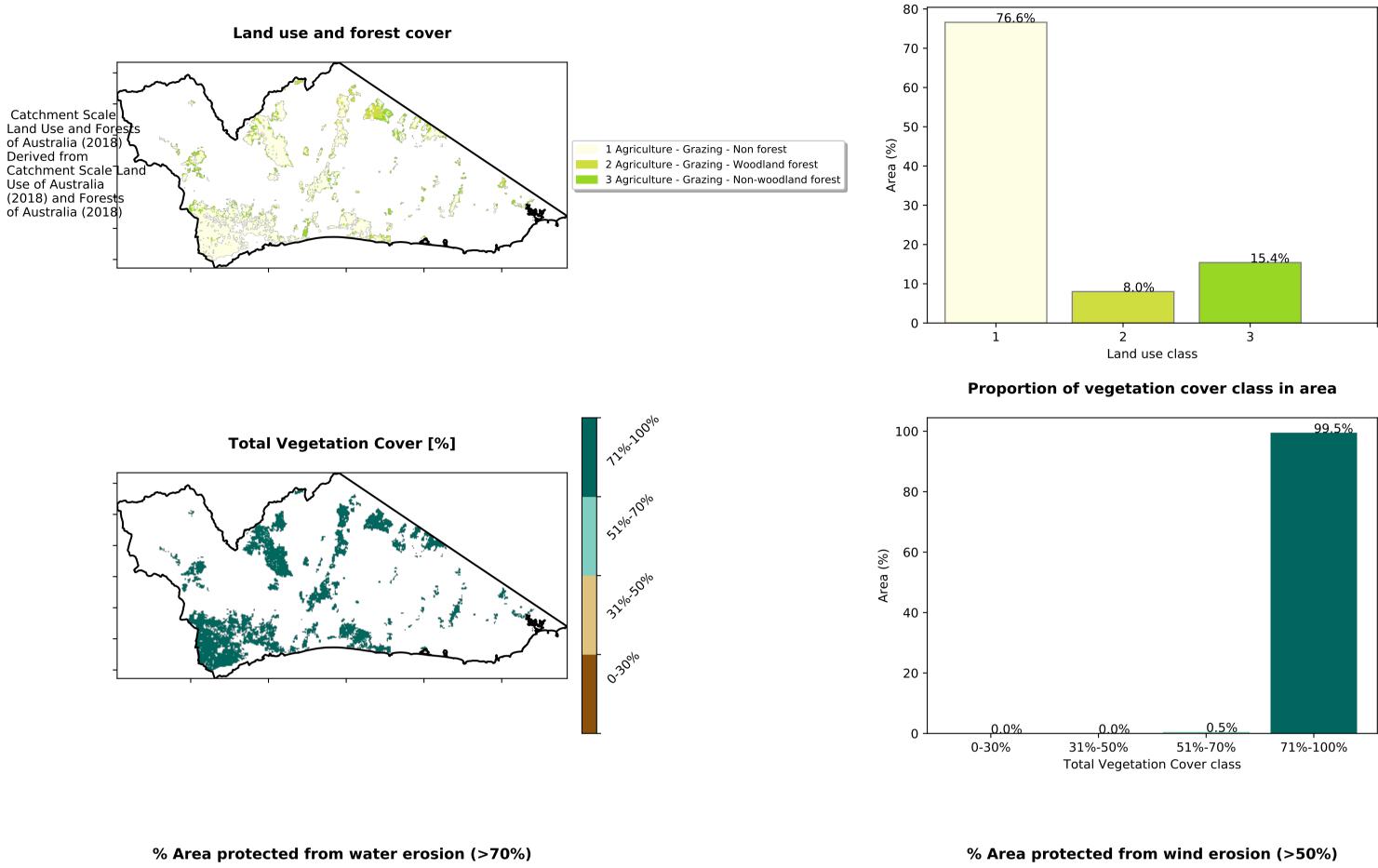
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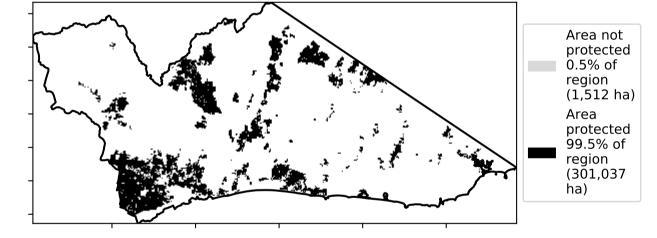




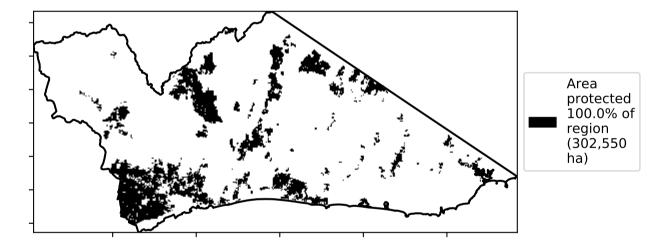
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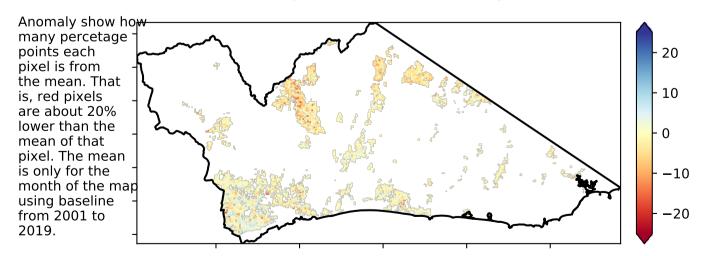
Proportion of each land class in area





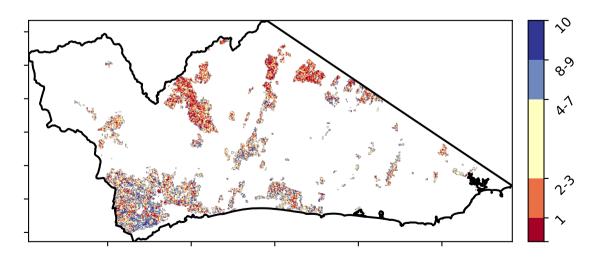


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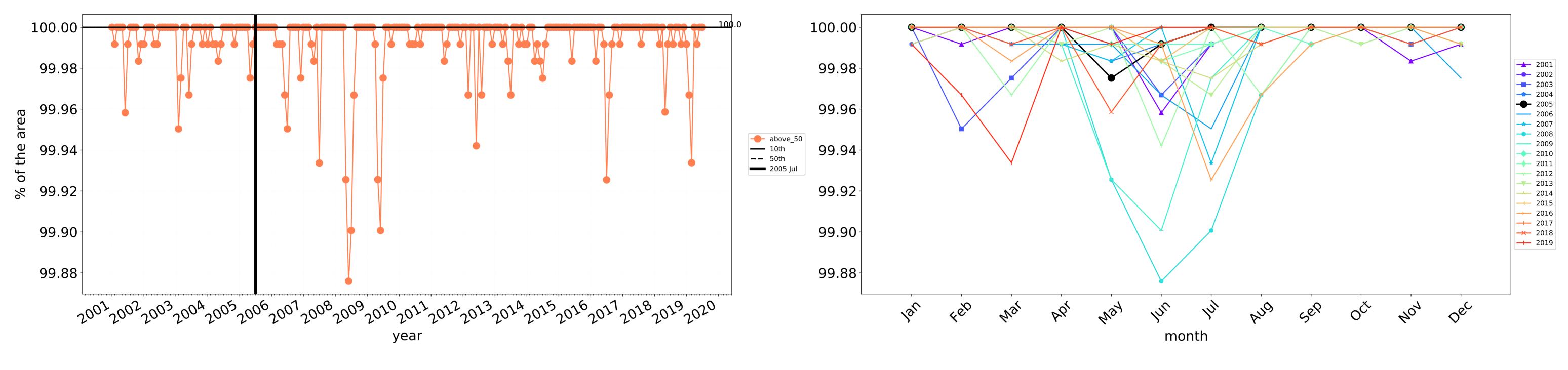


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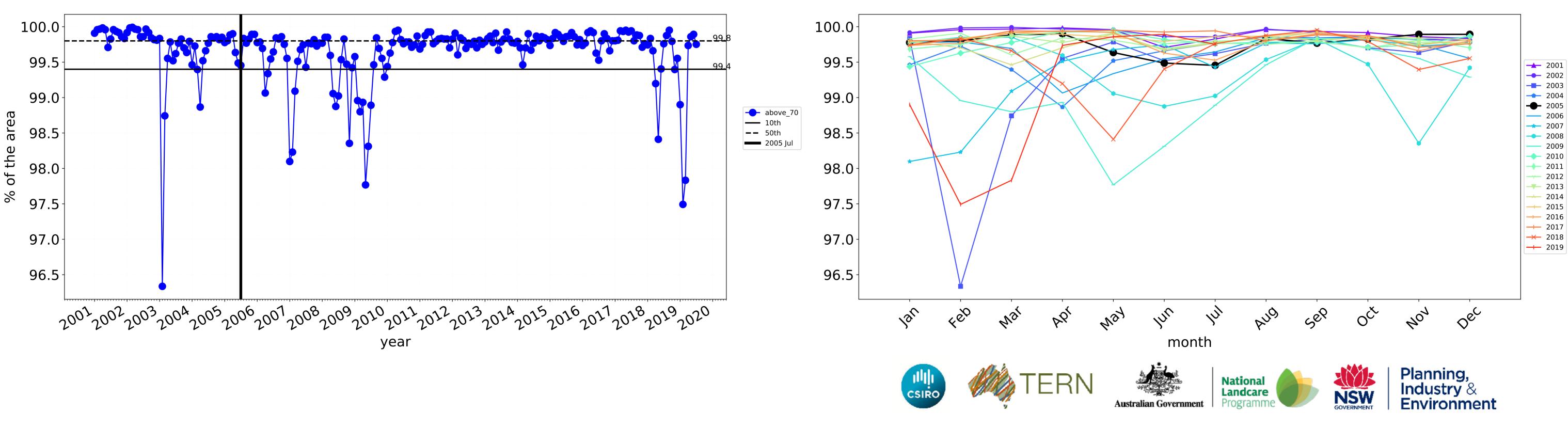
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







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

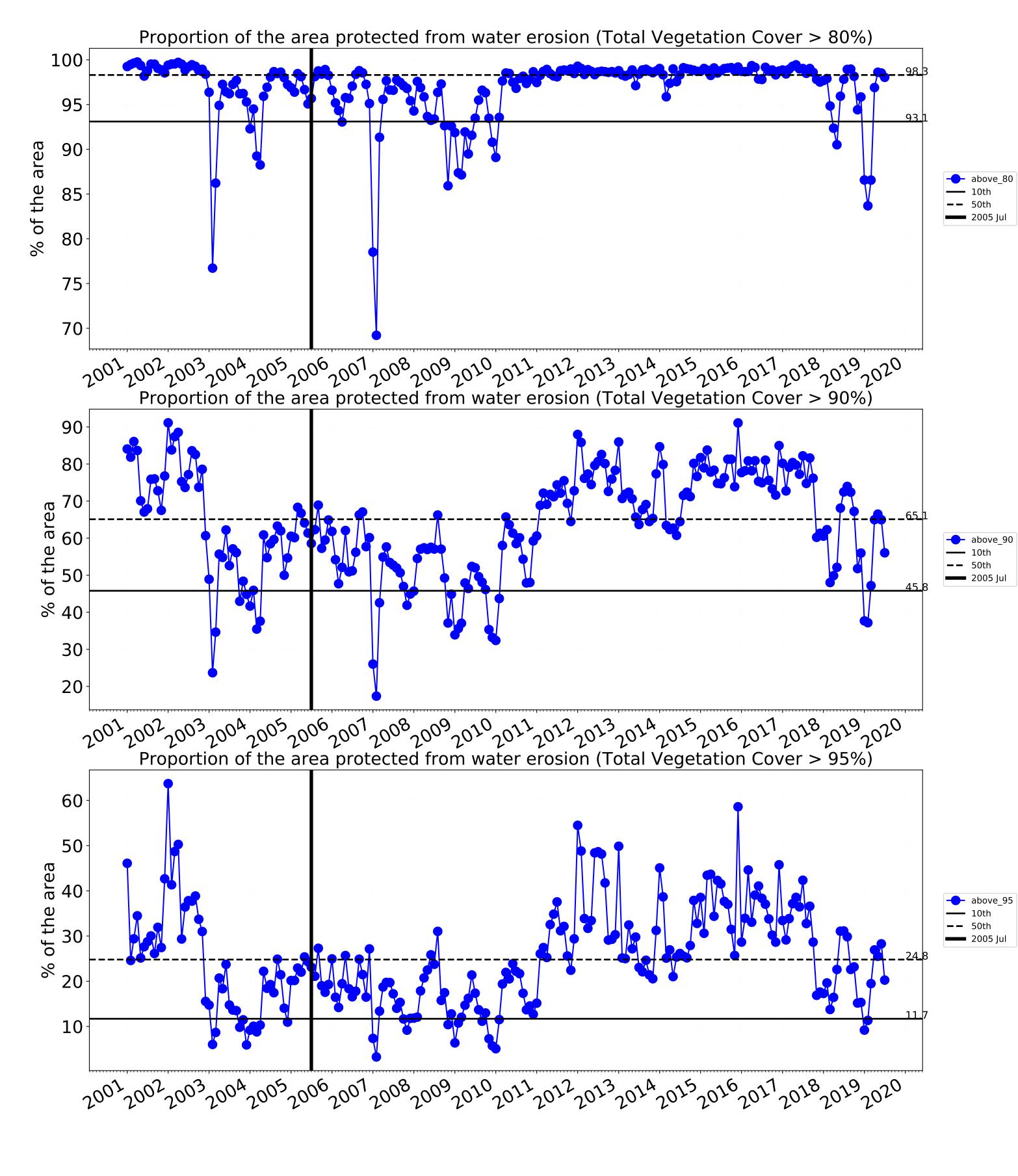


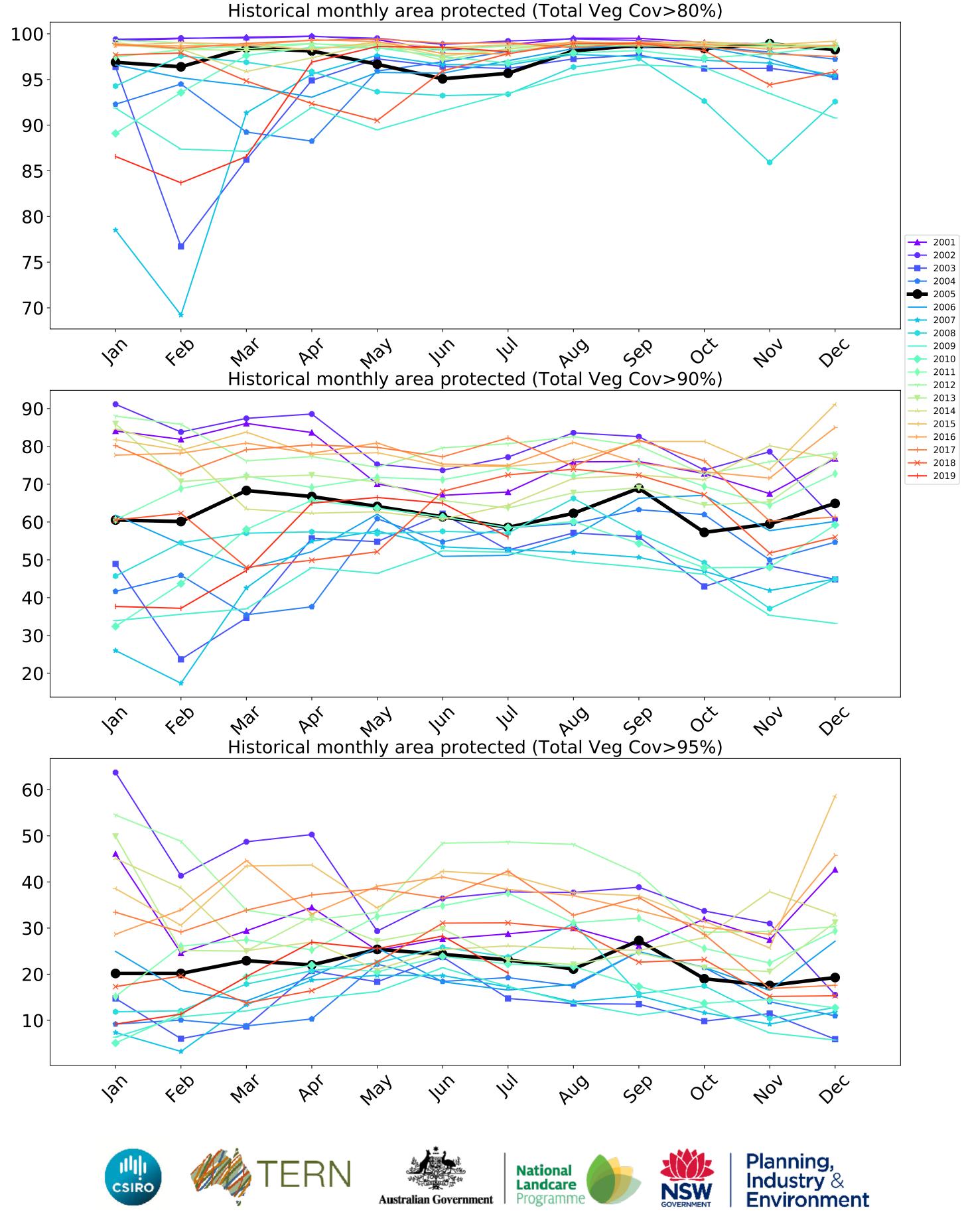


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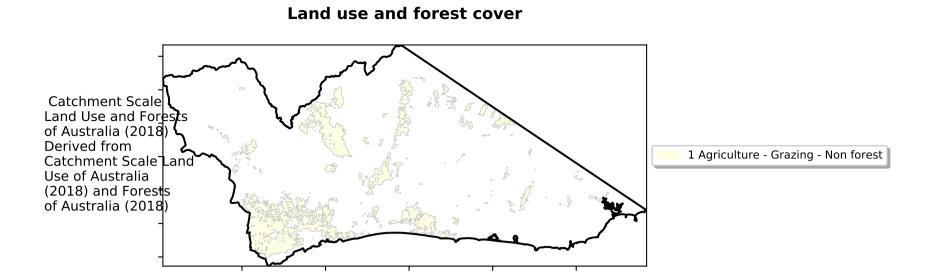
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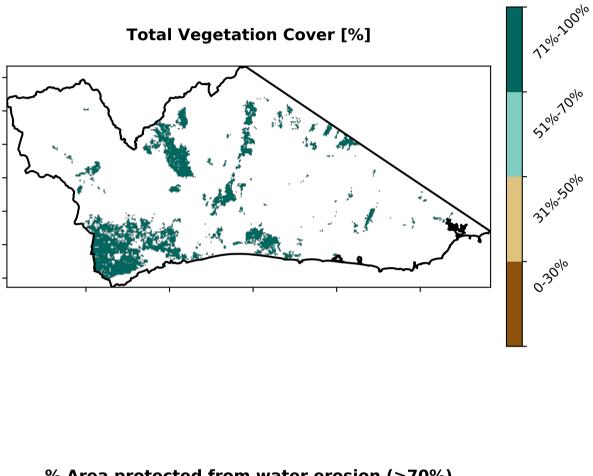




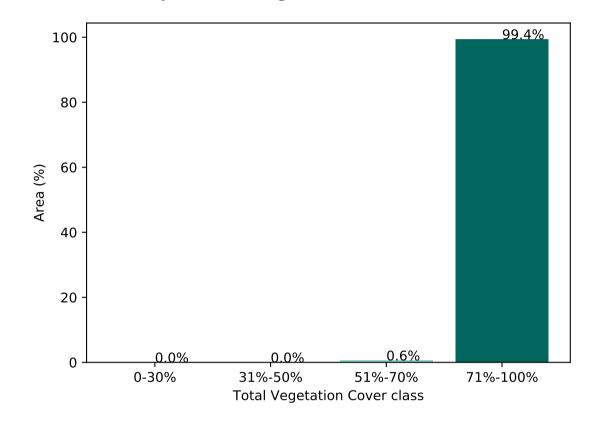


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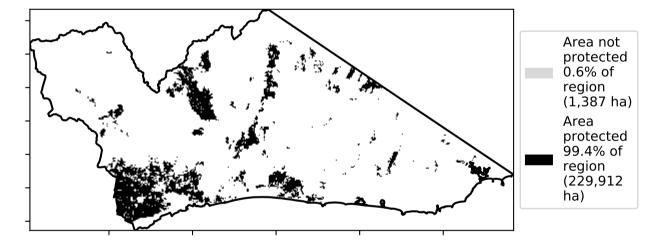


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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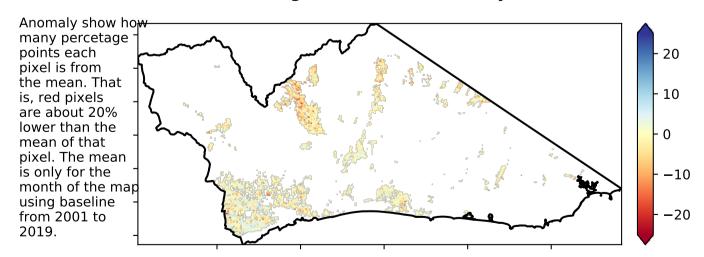






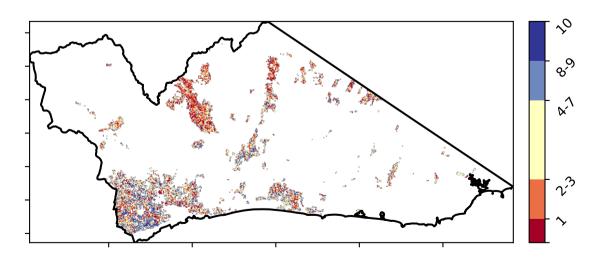


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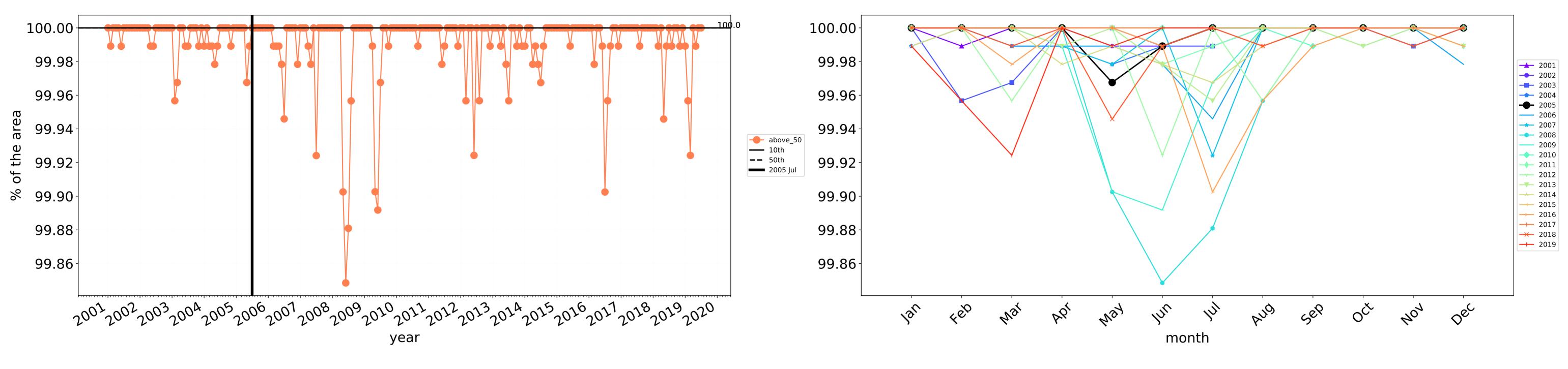


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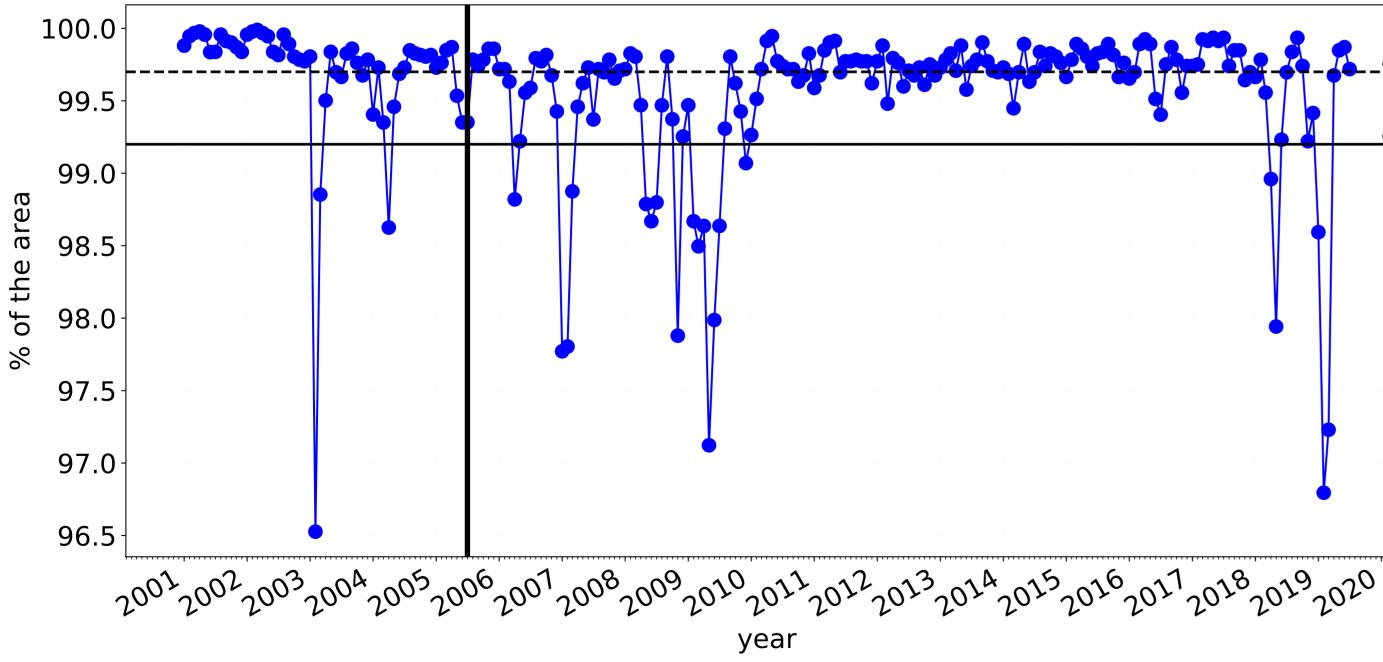
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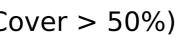






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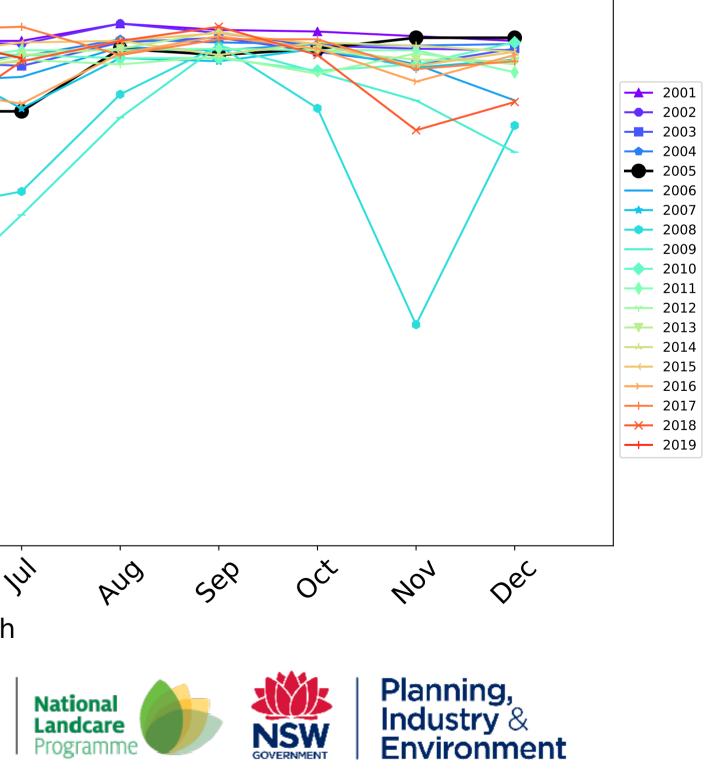


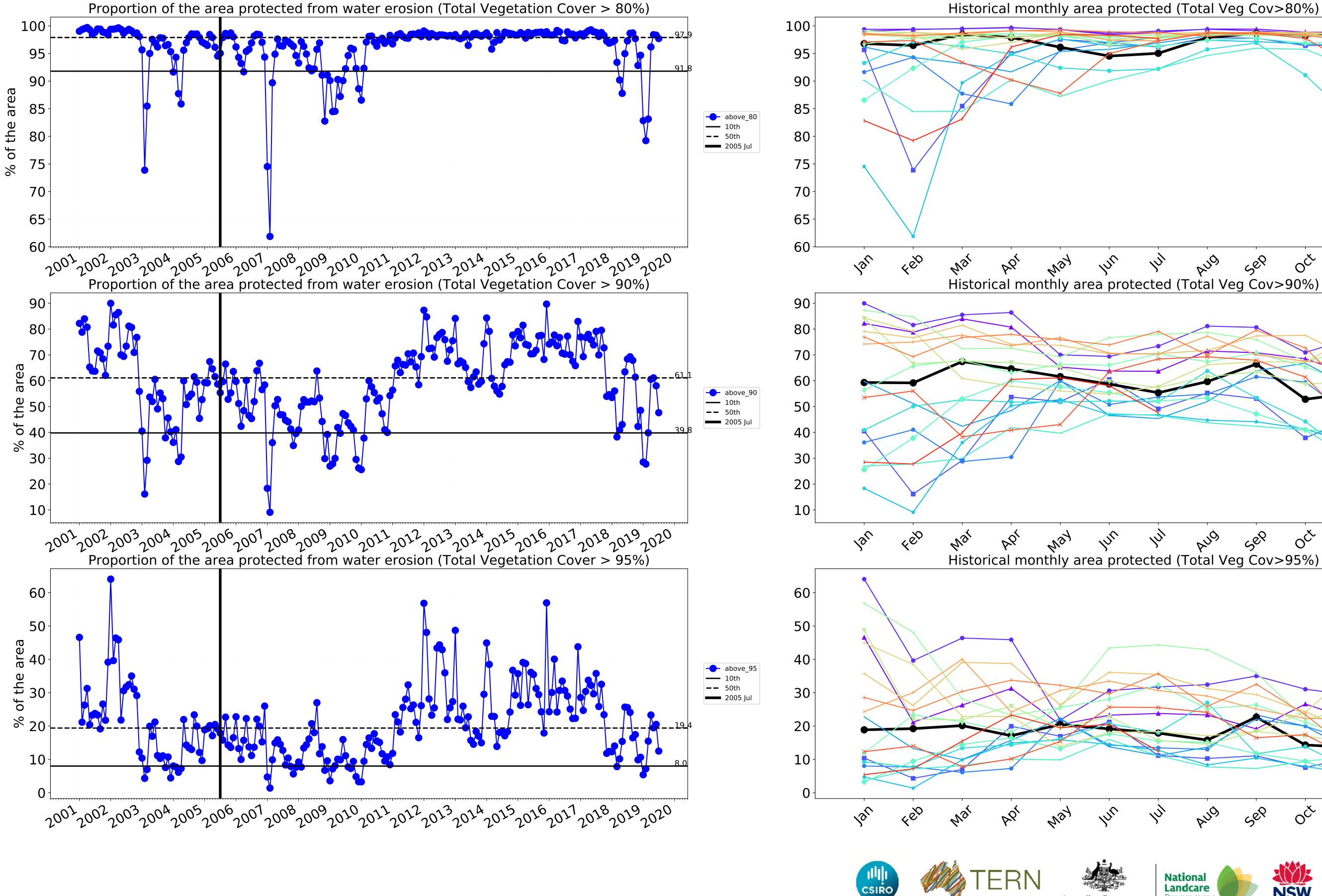


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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



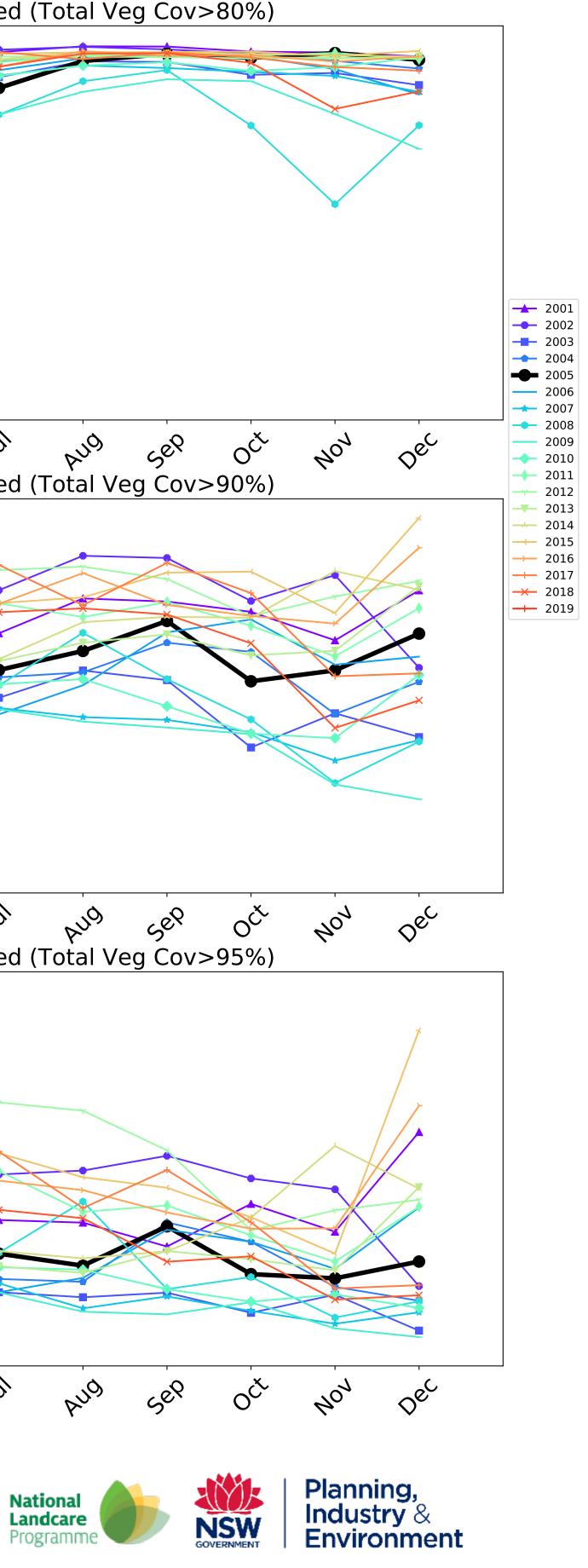


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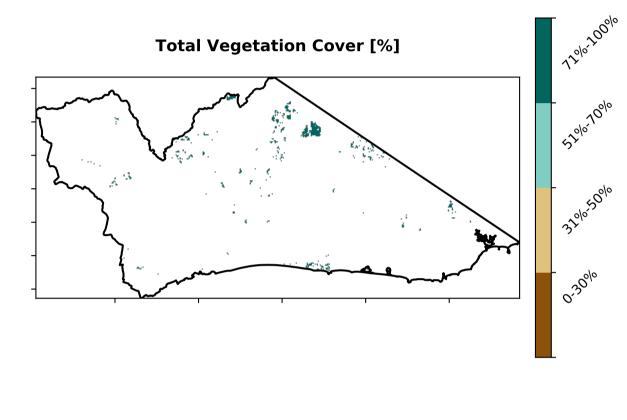
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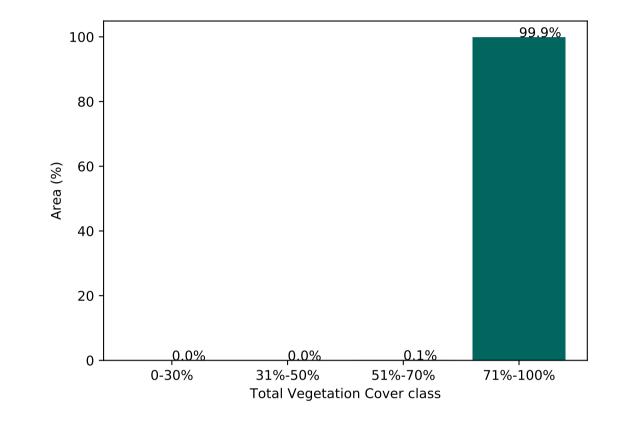


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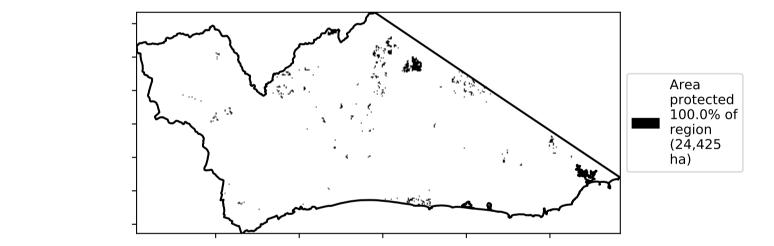


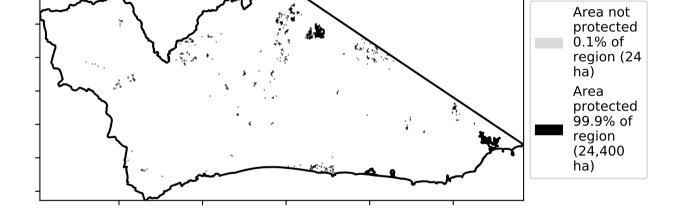


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

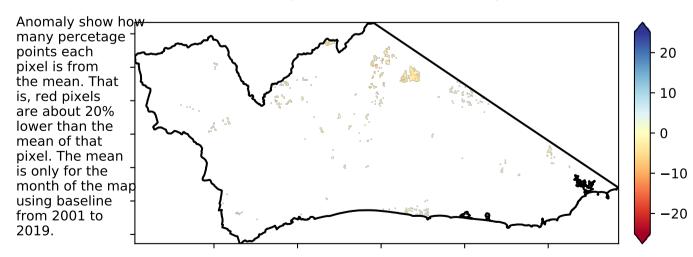


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



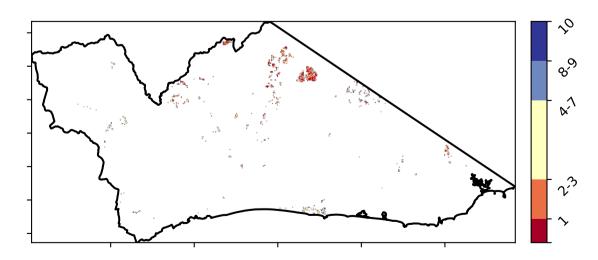


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

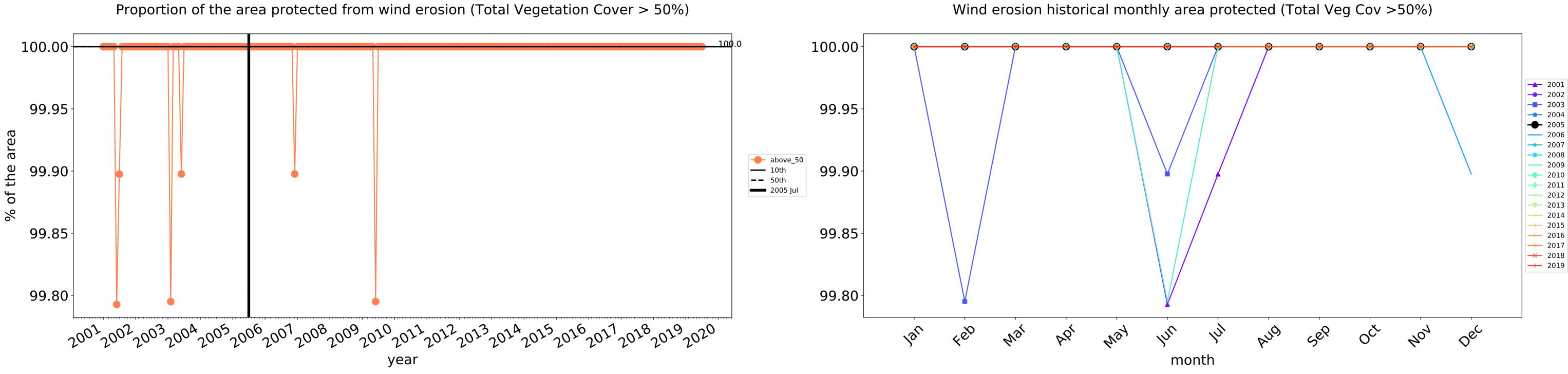


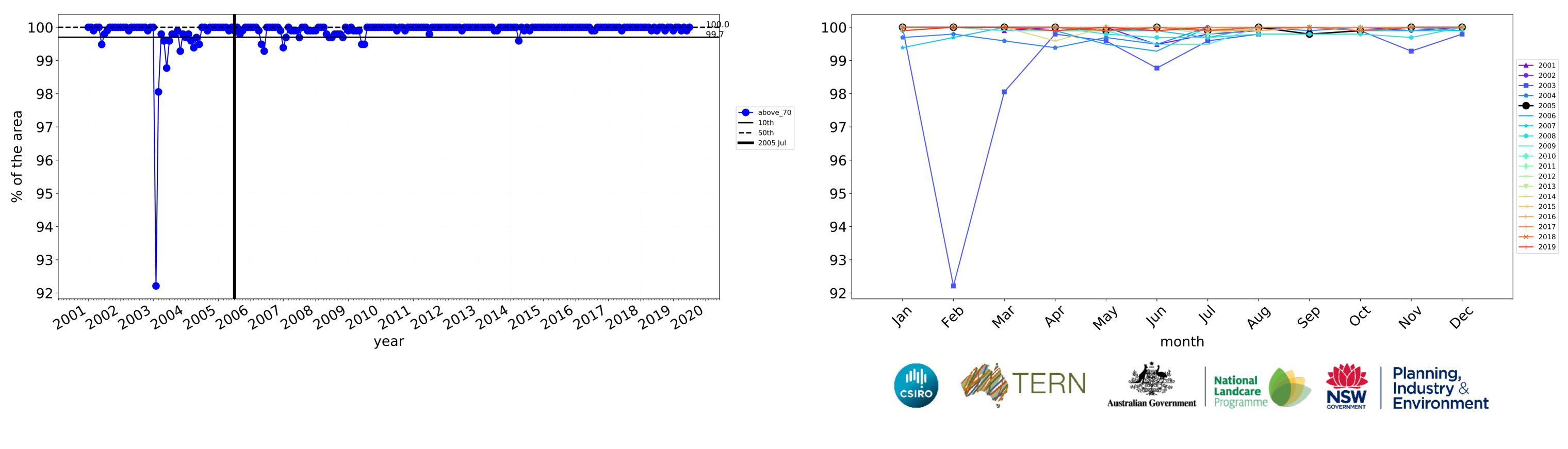
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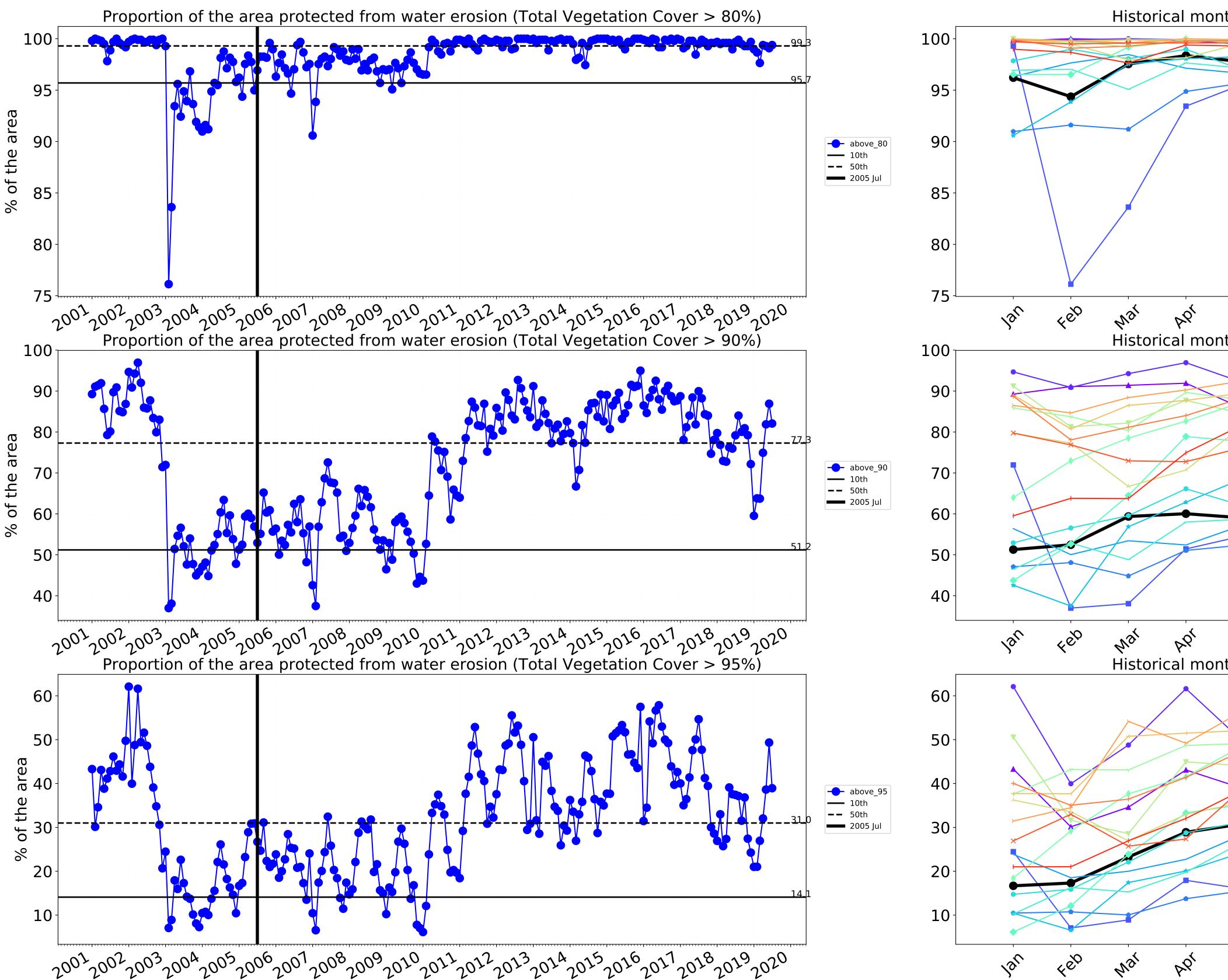


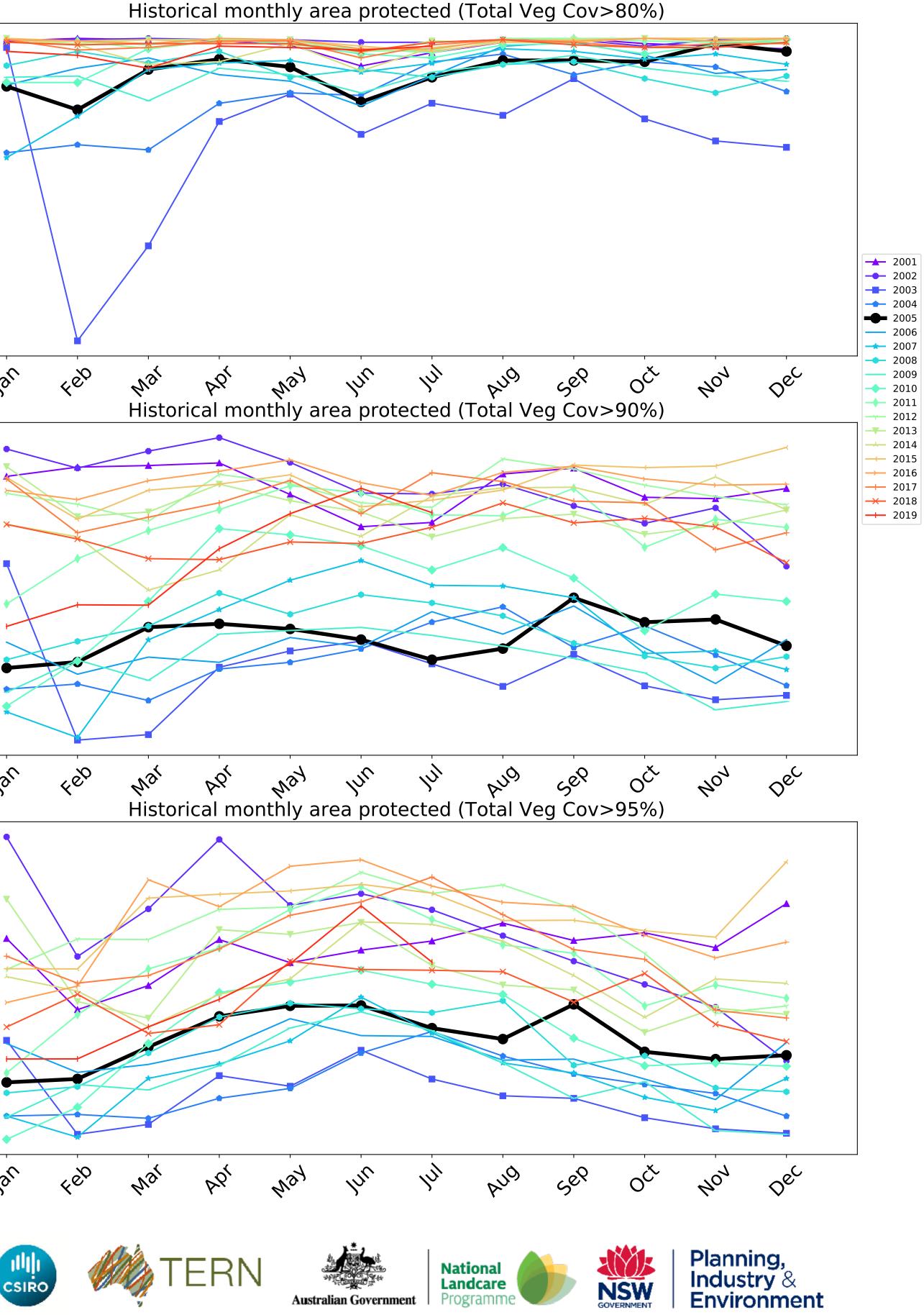




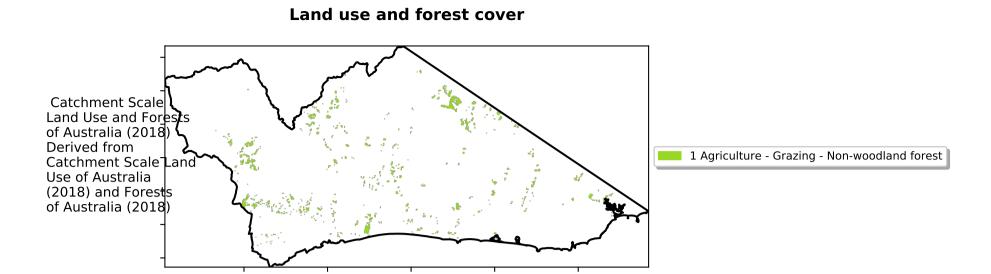


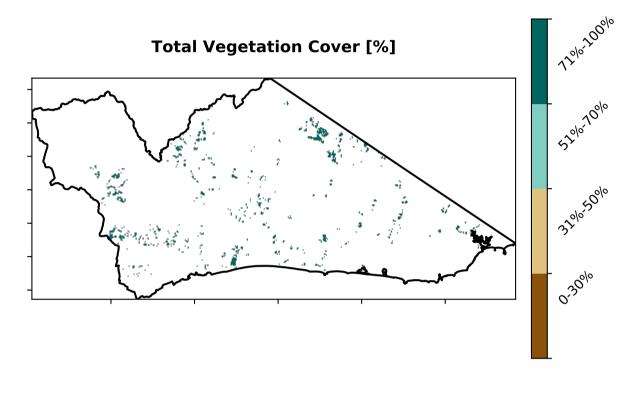
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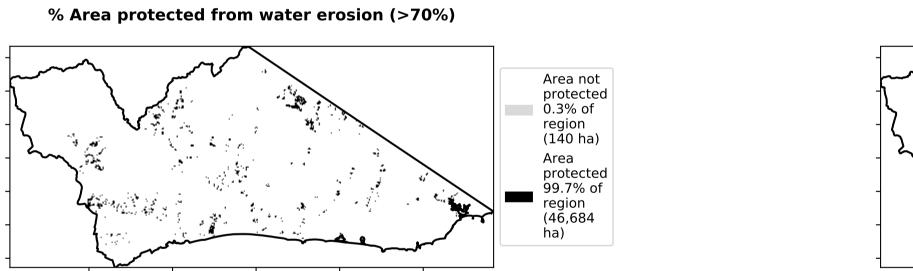




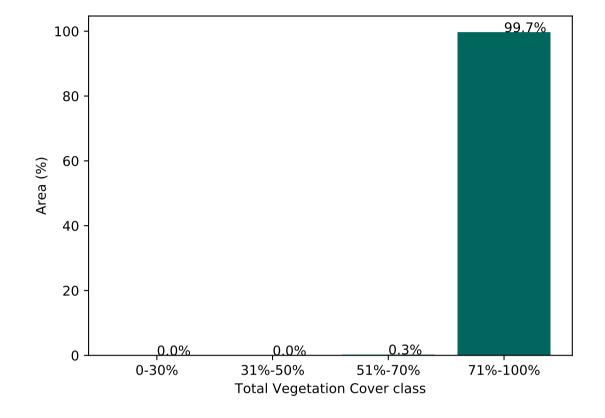
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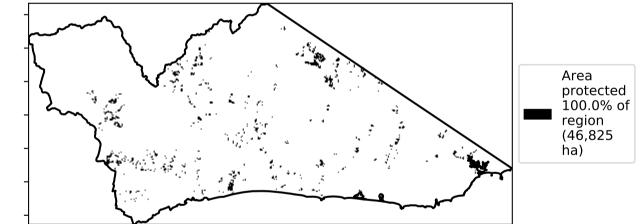




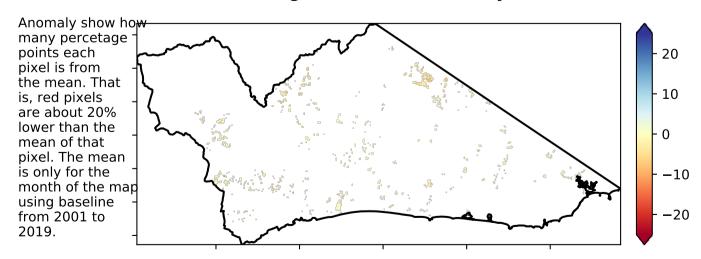






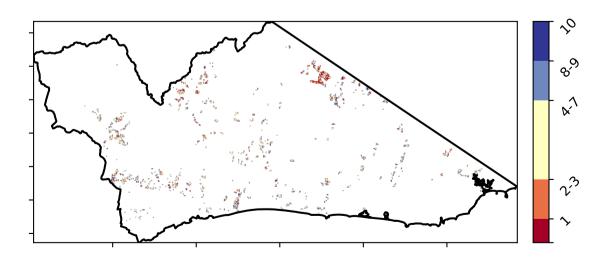


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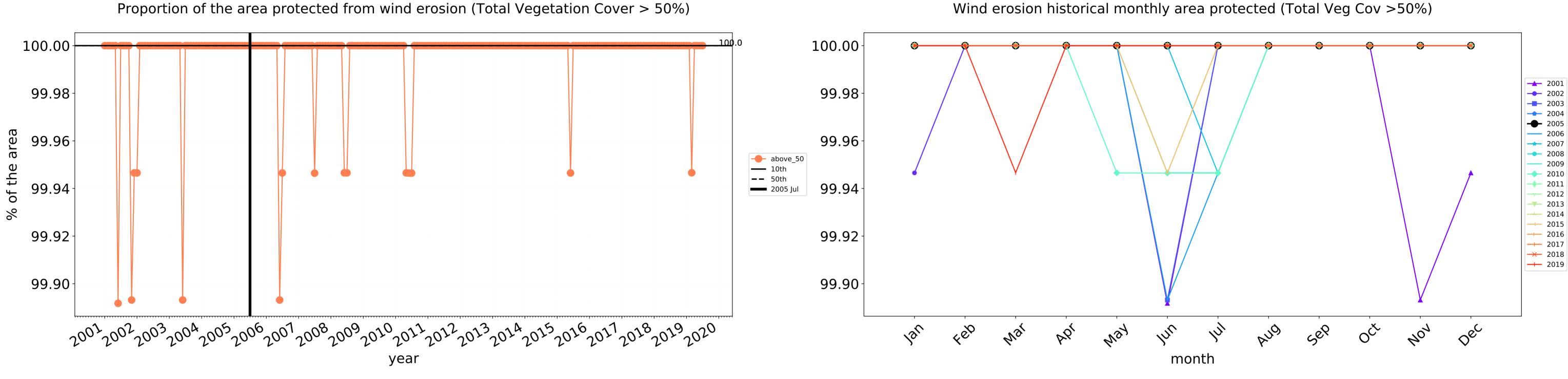


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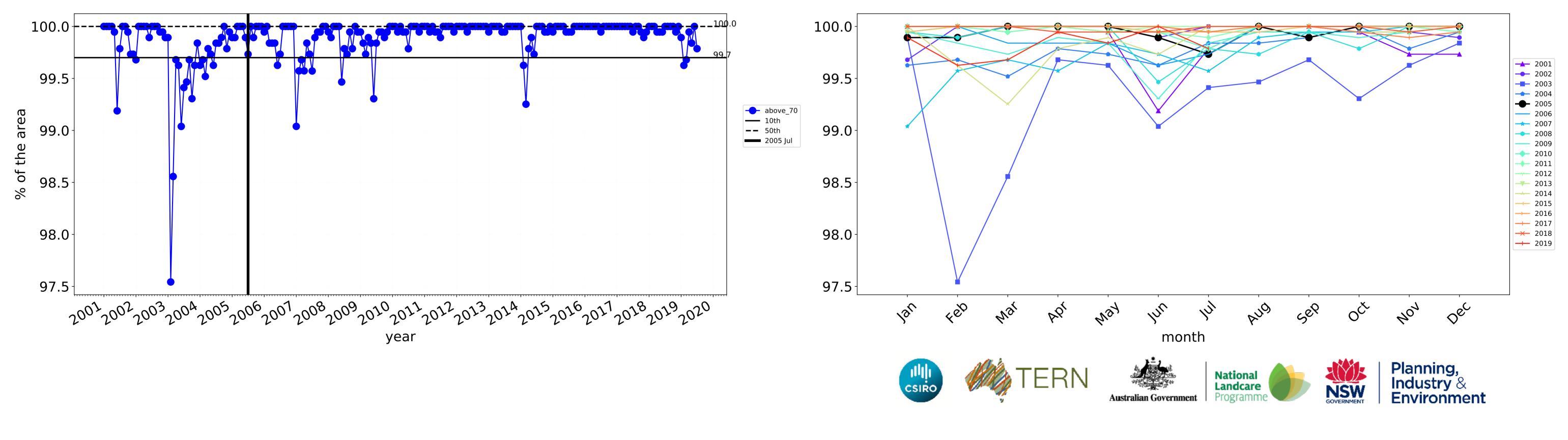
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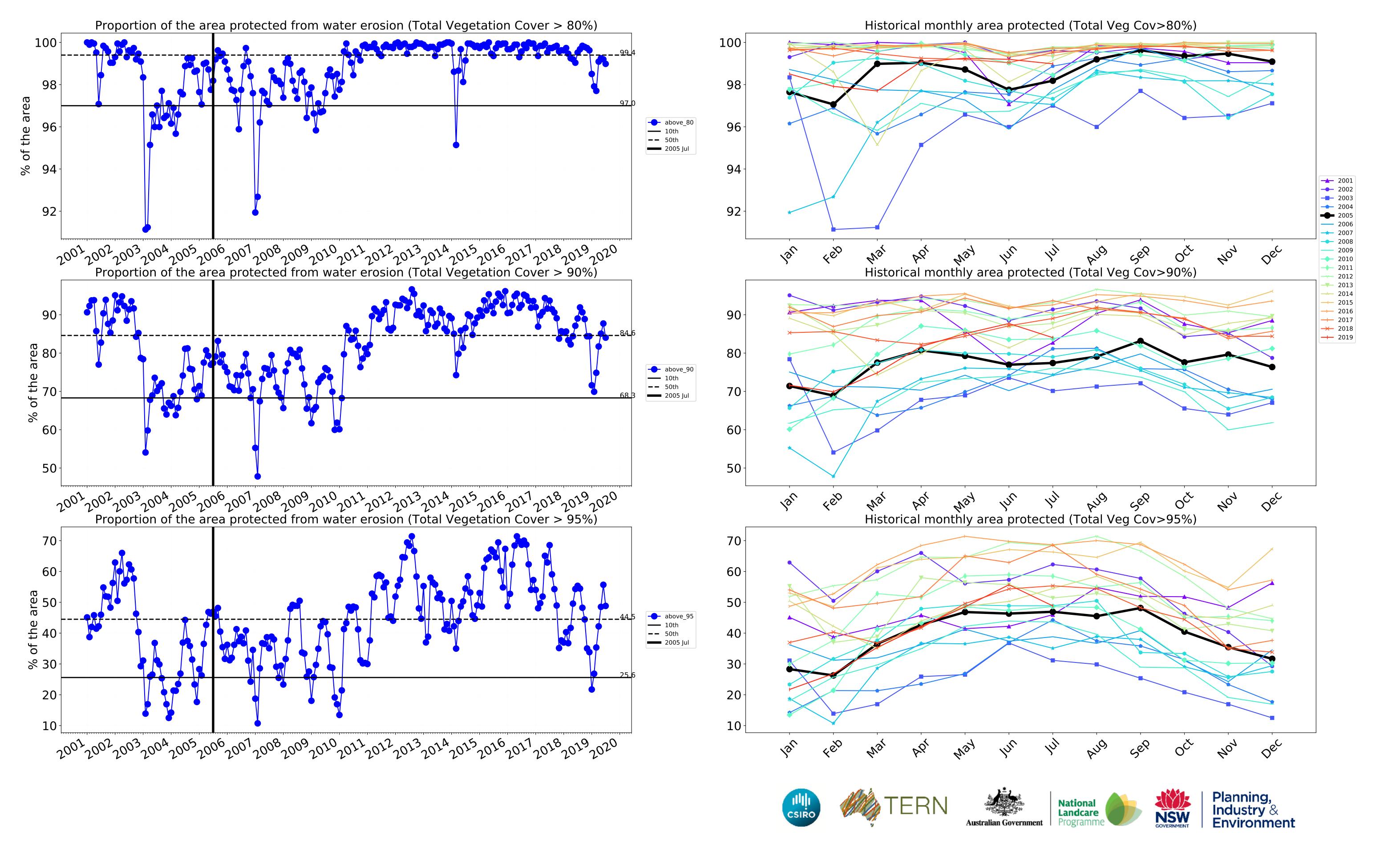




Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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

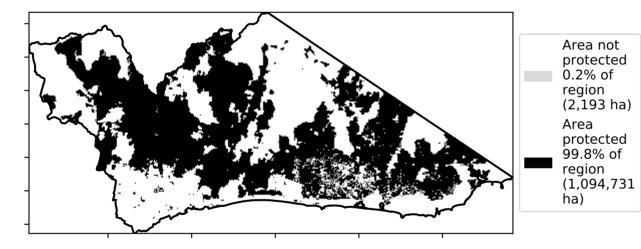


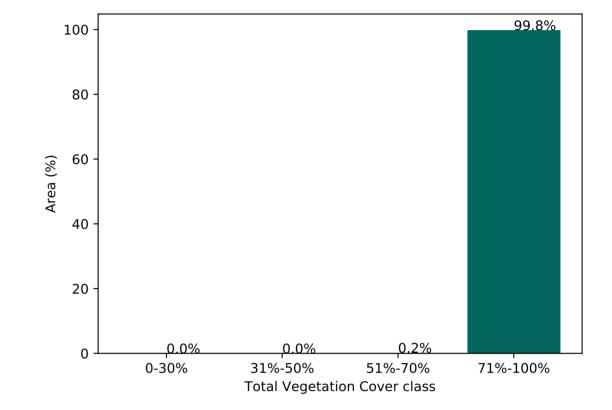
Production native forests and plantation forests



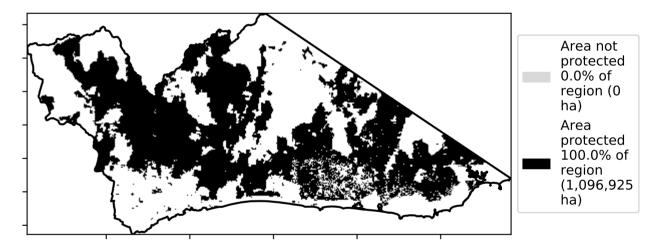
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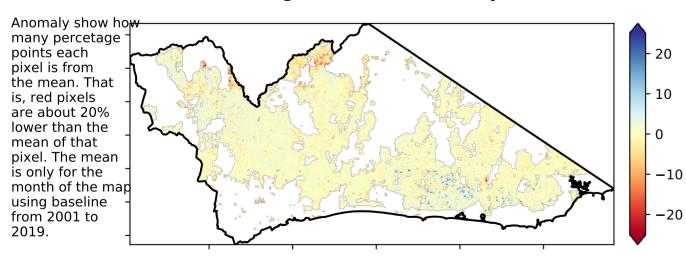




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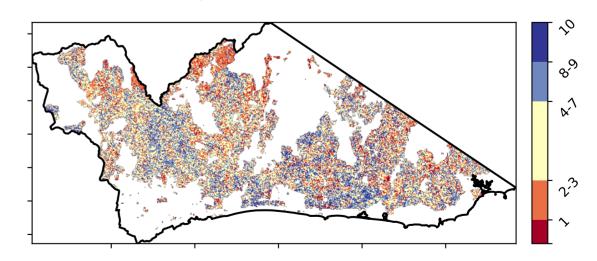


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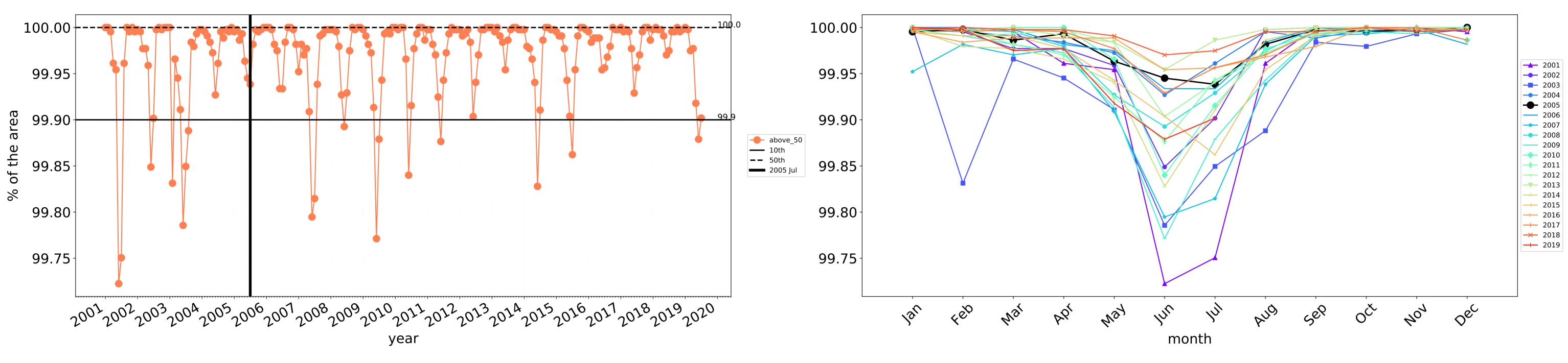


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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

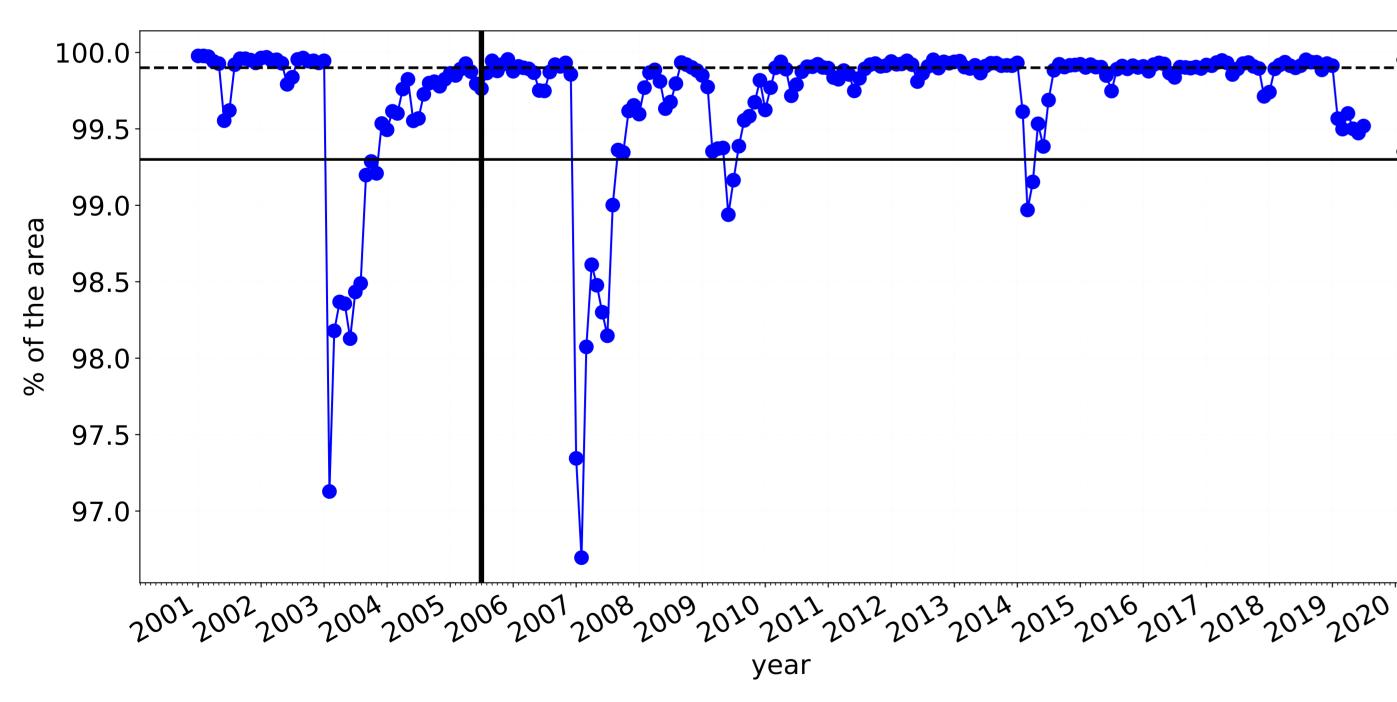




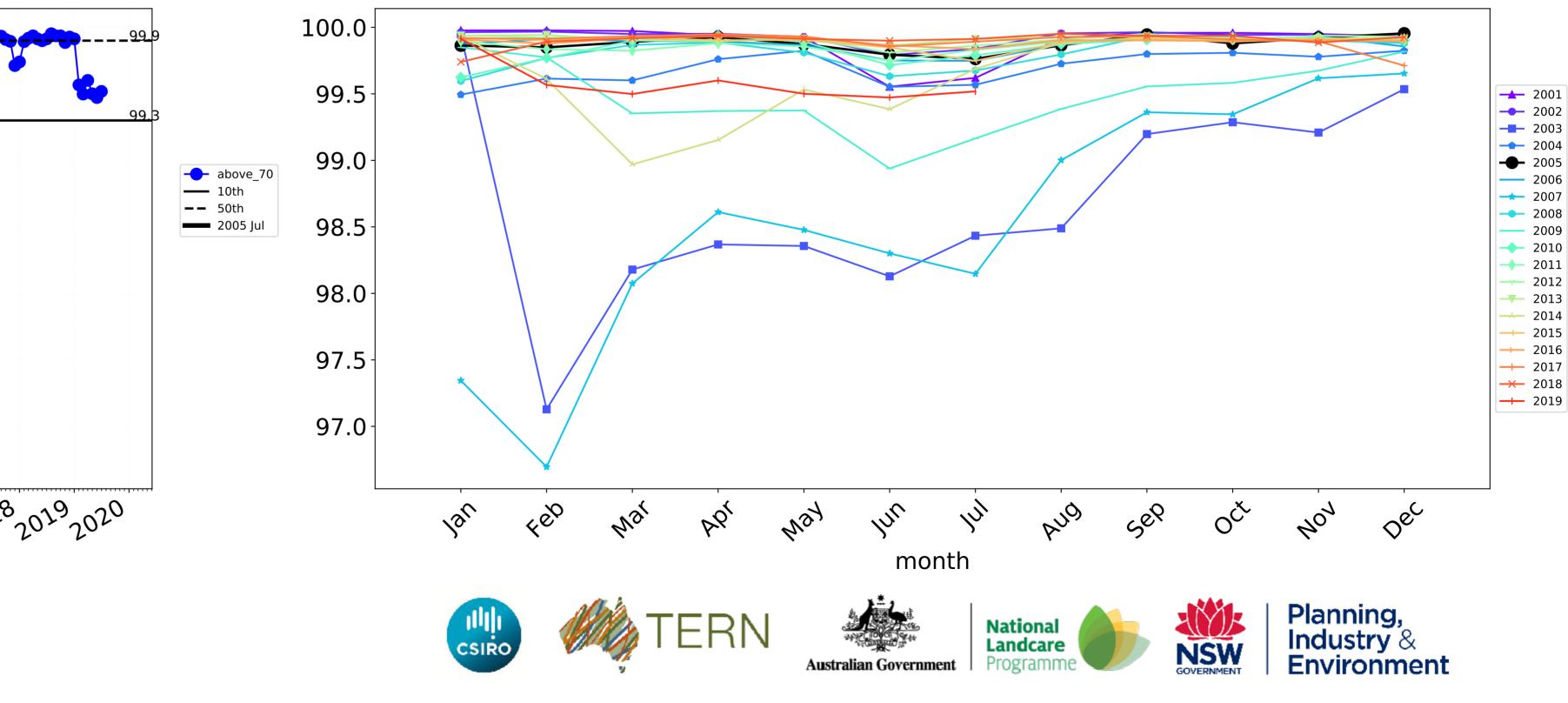


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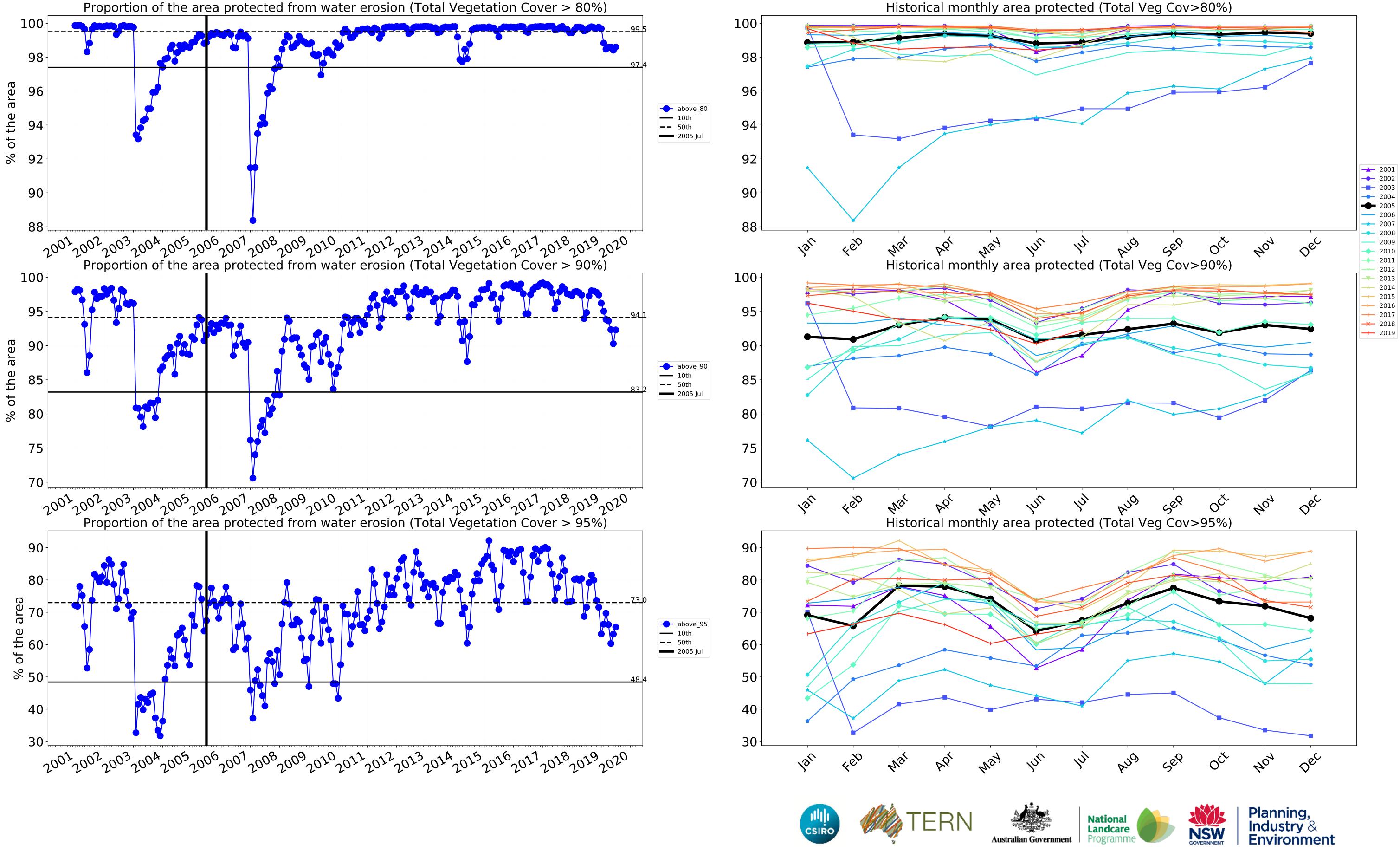
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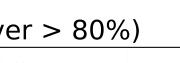


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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





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	99.9% 2,061,572	99.9% 2,060,770	99.5% 2,051,921	97.2% 2,005,524	81.8% 1,687,959	55.2% 1,138,307
Conservation and natural environments	624,525	99.9% 624,075	99.8% 623,425	99.1% 618,675	95.4% 595,825	77.7% 485,375	51.2% 319,825
Conservation and natural environments non forest	12,400	98.6% 12,225	95.8% 11,875	87.3% 10,825	76.6% 9,500	47.4% 5,875	17.7% 2,200
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	144,500	99.9% 144,375	99.8% 144,175	98.4% 142,150	92.1% 133,075	65.4% 94,525	42.8% 61,875
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	467,625	100.0% 467,475	99.9% 467,375	99.6% 465,700	96.9% 453,250	82.3% 384,975	54.7% 255,750
Agriculture	306,525	100.0% 306,525	100.0% 306,525	99.5% 304,850	95.5% 292,675	58.2% 178,425	22.9% 70,250
Grazing	302,550	100.0% 302,550	100.0% 302,550	99.5% 300,900	95.7% 289,475	58.6% 177,225	23.1% 69,900
Grazing non forest	231,300	100.0% 231,300	100.0% 231,300	99.4% 229,800	95.0% 219,825	55.4% 128,050	17.9% 41,400
Grazing Woodland forest	24,425	100.0% 24,425	100.0% 24,425	99.9% 24,400	96.9% 23,675	52.9% 12,925	26.7% 6,525
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	46,825	100.0% 46,825	100.0% 46,825	99.7% 46,700	98.2% 45,975	77.4% 36,250	46.9% 21,975
Production native forests and plantation forests	1,096,925	99.9% 1,096,325	99.9% 1,096,250	99.8% 1,094,325	98.9% 1,084,550	91.6% 1,004,325	67.4% 739,475

