# **Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Glenelg Hopkins VIC**

# Date: June 2009

This report describes vegetation protecting the soil surface from erosion during a chosen month compared to previous years. This report has been generated using MODIS fractional vegetation cover information available in Rangelands and Pasture Productivity (RAPP) map tool https://map.geo-rapp.org/#australia. The report is based on 500 metre pixel data on monthly time steps. Land use forest cover:

Results can be shown for the whole region (polygon), and separated by land use and forest cover classes which are likely to show different cover patterns and targets. Land use is divided into four broad classes: Conservation and natural environments, Agriculture, production native forests and plantation forests (no report), and other (no report). Agriculture is divided into grazing, crops and horticulture which are sub-divided into non-irrigated and irrigated. If forest is present land use is further divided into: non-forest, woodland forest and non-woodland forest. The area of each land use and forest class are shown as a map and chart. The report content is repeated for each land use and forest covers at least 1% of the area of the chosen region. Total vegetation Cover:

The total vegetation cover indicates where soil is likely to be protected from wind and or water hillslope erosion. Total vegetation cover for this month is shown on a map and chart classified into 4 classes.

• 71-100% High cover – protected from wind and usually water erosion (high rainfall, steep slopes, and erodible soils may need greater than 80, 90, 95 and up to 100% cover)

- 51-70% Moderate cover protected from wind erosion
- 31-50% Low cover not protected
- 0-30% Very Low cover not protected

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

The vegetation cover threshold required to prevent soil erosion is usually 50% to reduce wind erosion, 70% or 80% to reduce water (hillslope) erosion depending on the steepness and rainfall. Areas protected from erosion for the month:

- Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares.
- Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares. Comparison with previous years:
  - Map: anomaly comparing this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years.
  - Map: deciles rank of month against the same month in previous years.

Anomalies and deciles until September 2019 are calculated comparing to the same months 2001 to 2019. Extra monthly data will be used to calculate anomalies and deciles post September 2019 as they become available. Time series monthly from January 2001 to current:

### **Erosion protection**

- Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month (orange lines). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.
- Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month (blue line). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.

### Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

Each time series is also stacked by year. The black line shows the current year of data. Water erosion protection for higher rainfall and steeper slopes:

Water erosion protection on higher slopes. As slope increases, more cover is required to control water erosion. The thresholds reported are:

- the percentage area with pixels greater than 80% total cover.
- the percentage area with pixels greater than 90% total cover.
- the percentage area with pixels greater than 95% total cover.

# Acknowledgment of data:

- 1. http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/aclump/land-use/alum-classification
- 2. http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/forestsaustralia/sofr/sofr-2018
- 3. https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pastures-and-rangelands/establishment-mgmt/production-management2/groundcover
- 4. MODIS Fractional cover algorithm:

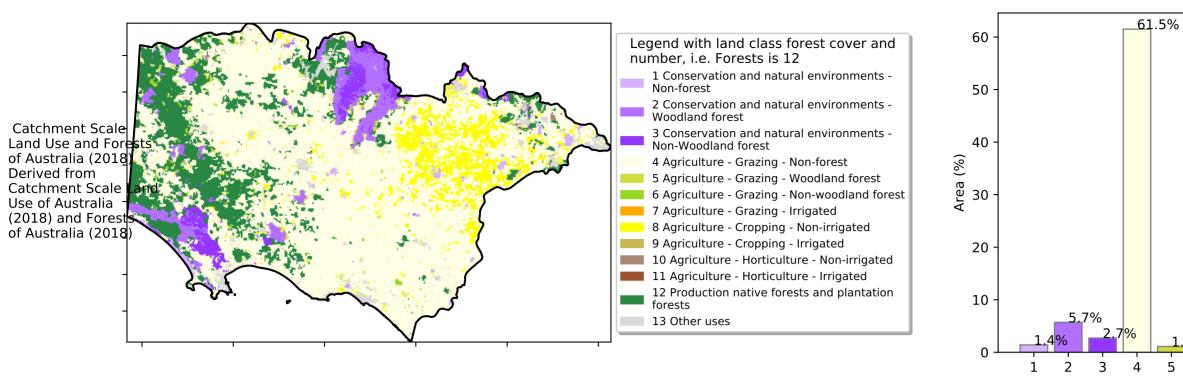
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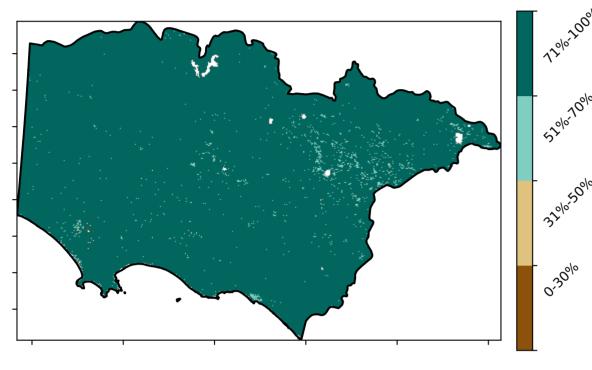
# **Vegetation Cover Jun 2009**

#### Land use and forest cover

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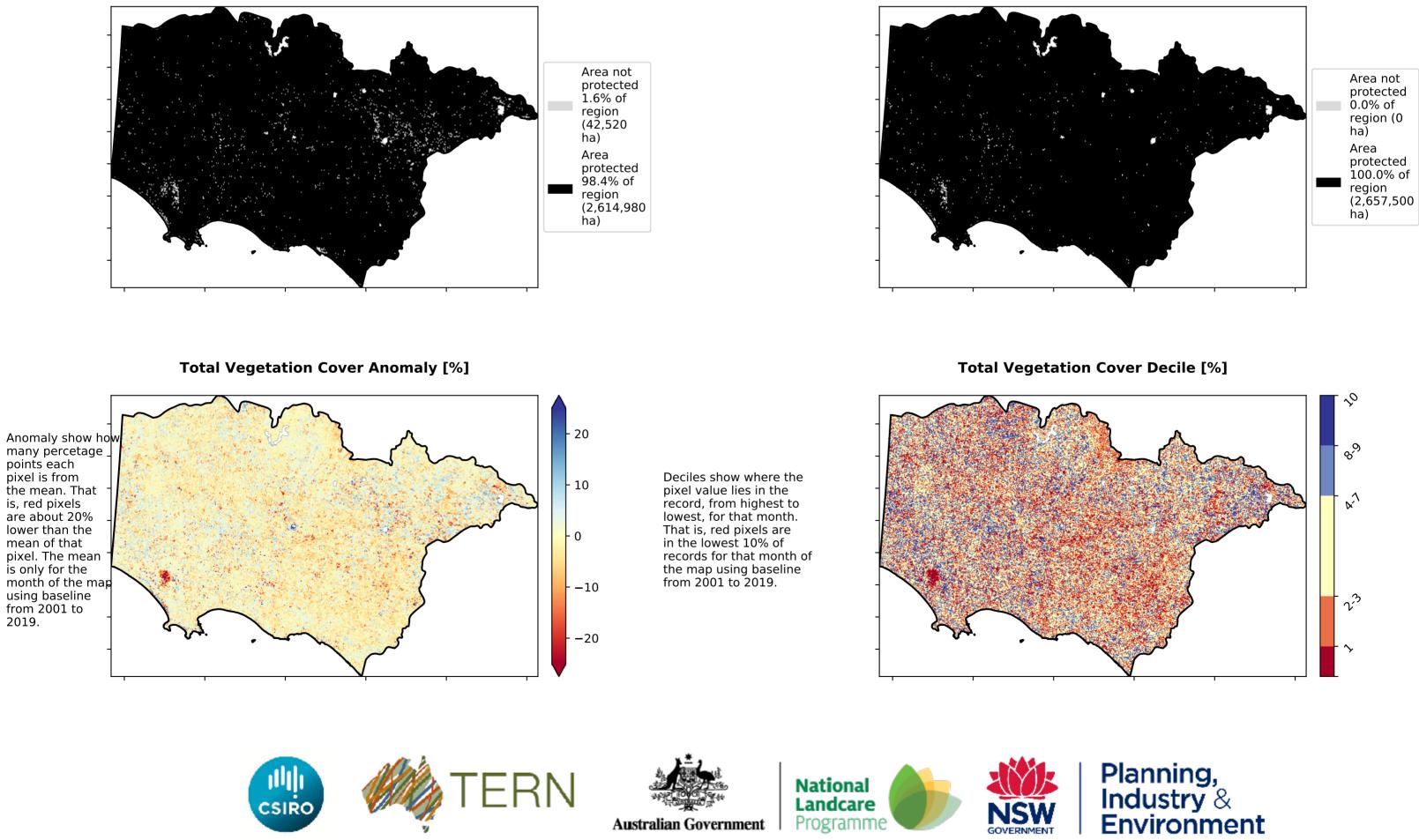


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



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

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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

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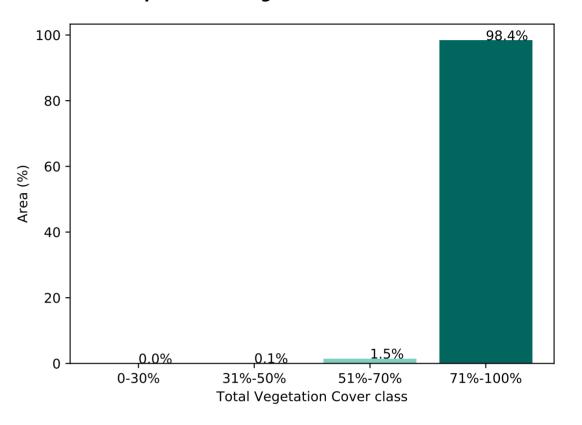
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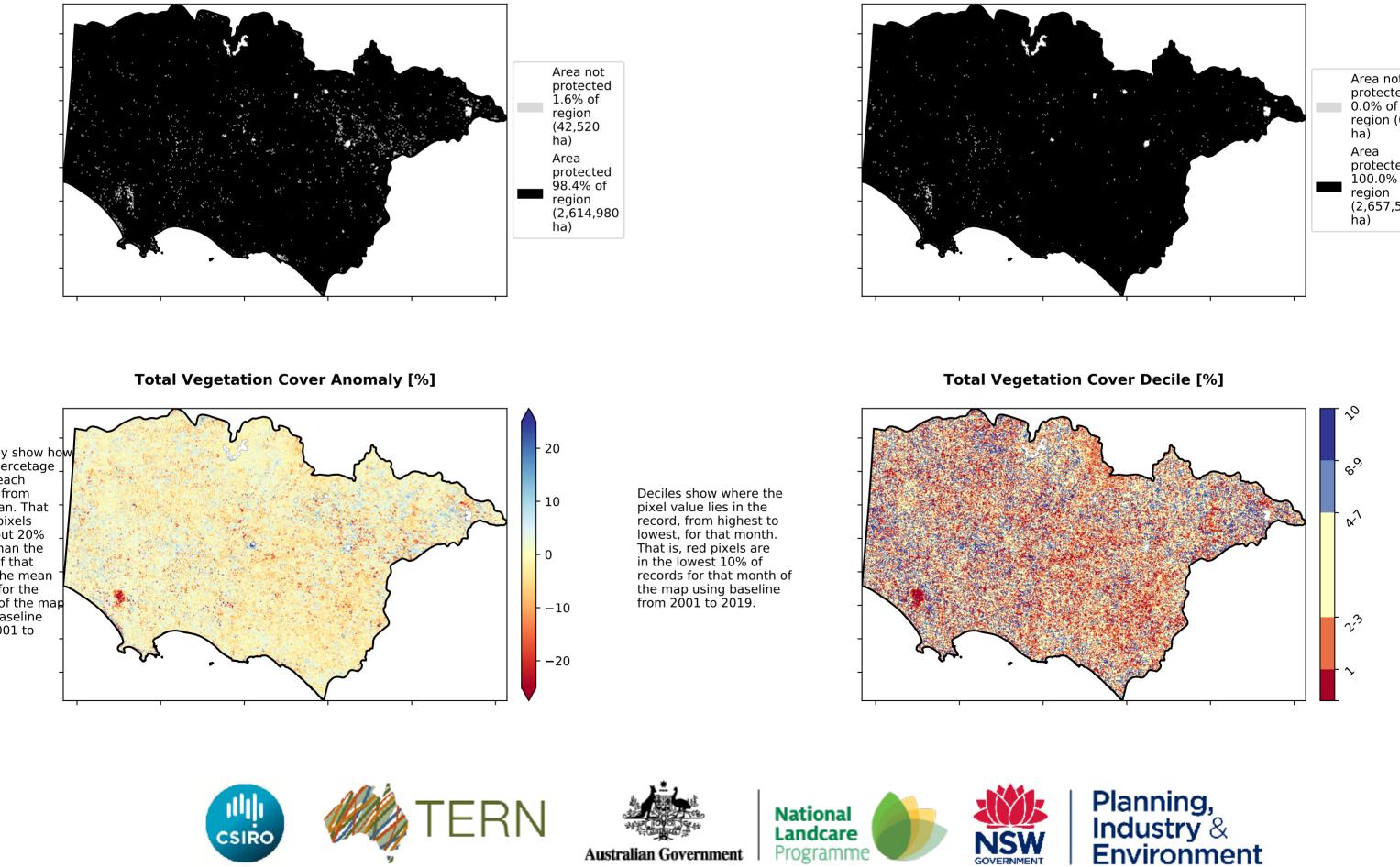
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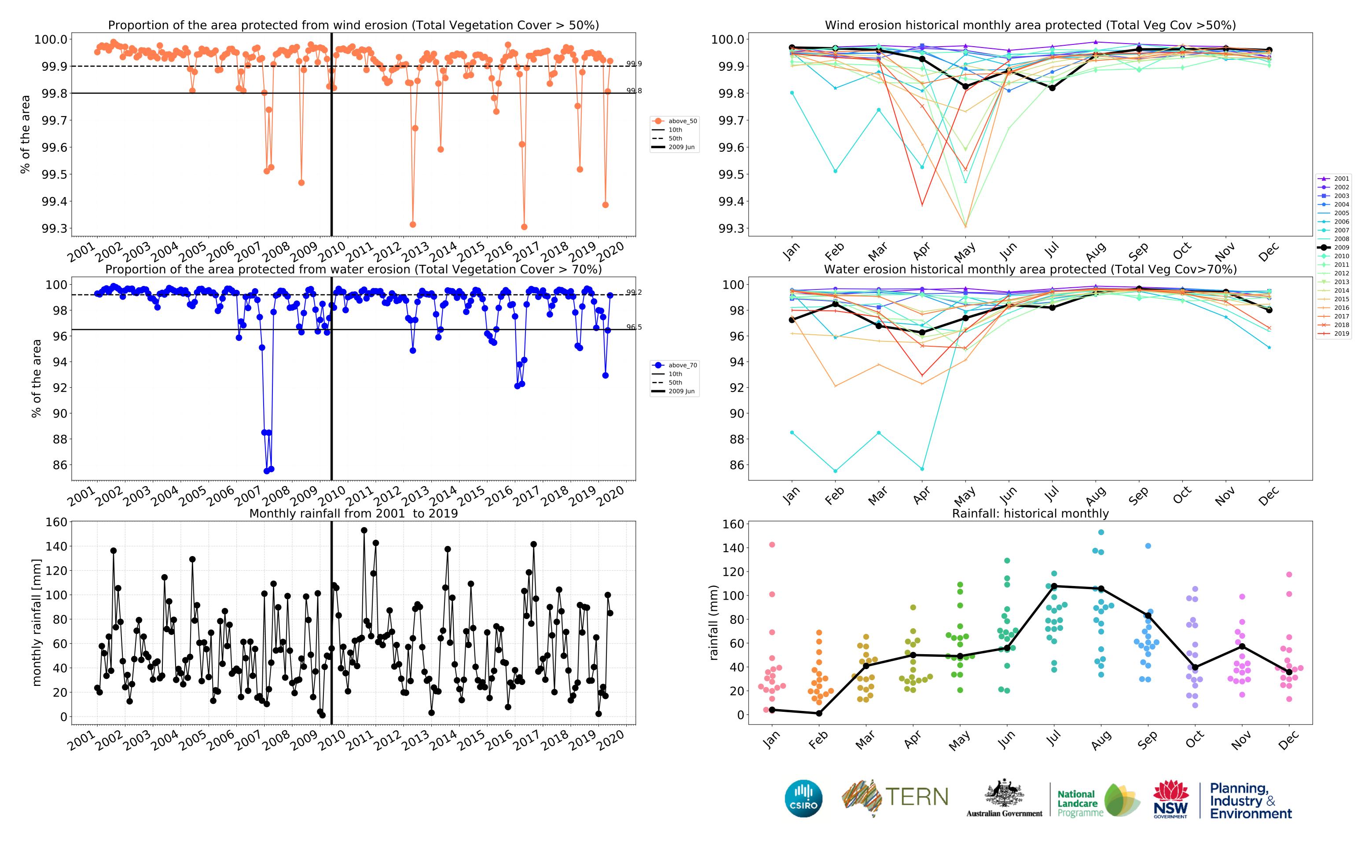
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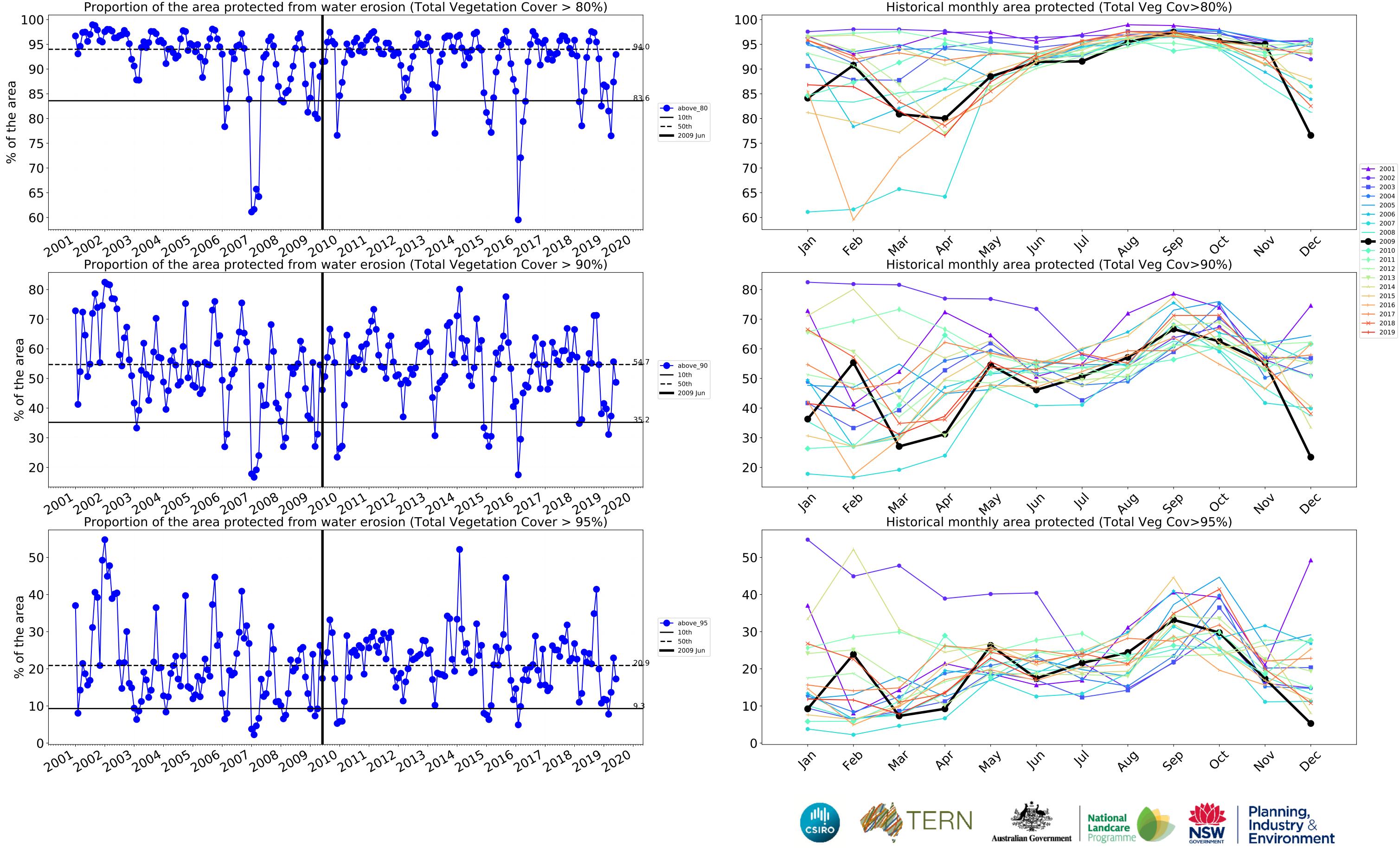
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#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



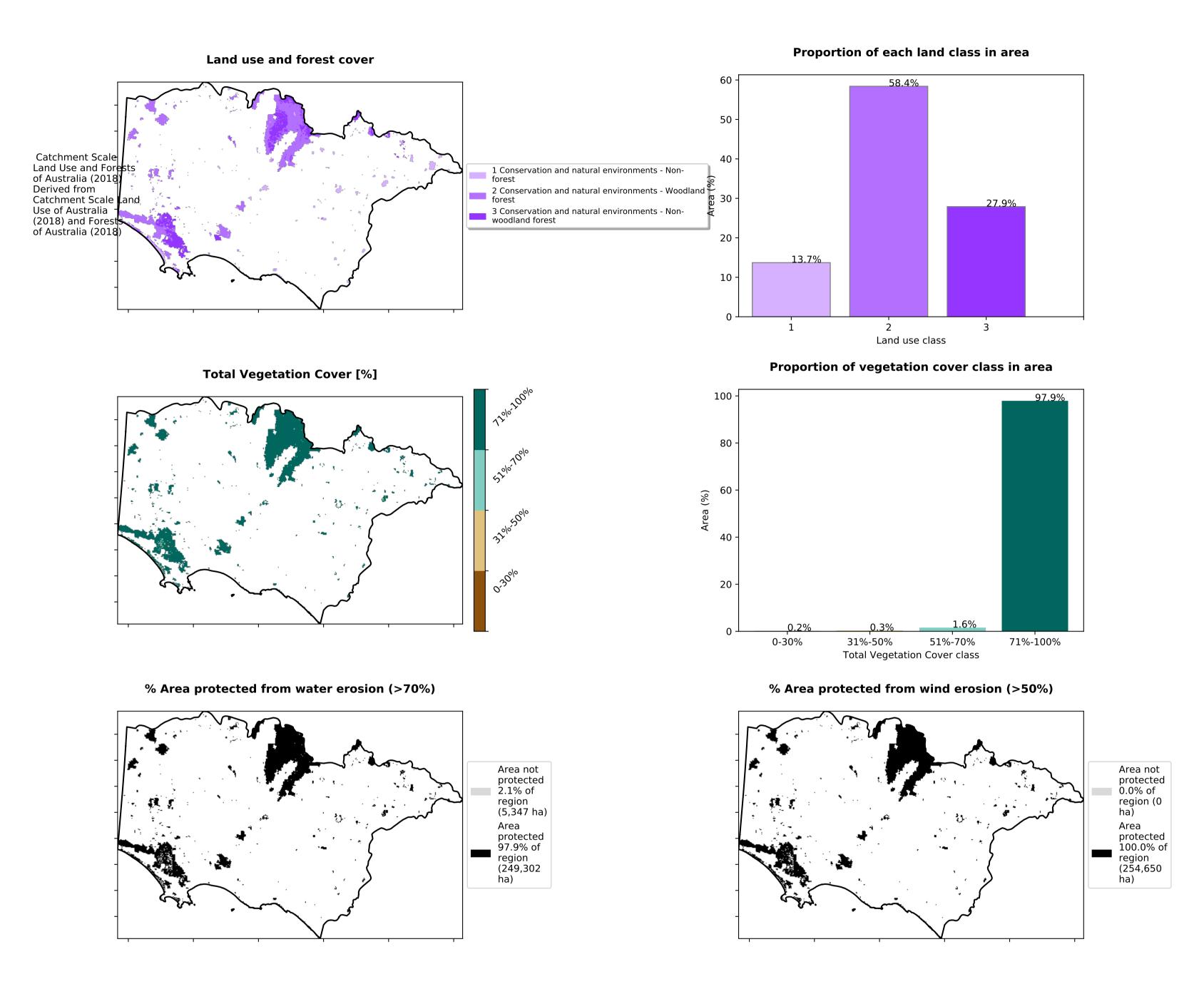




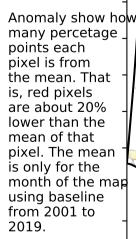
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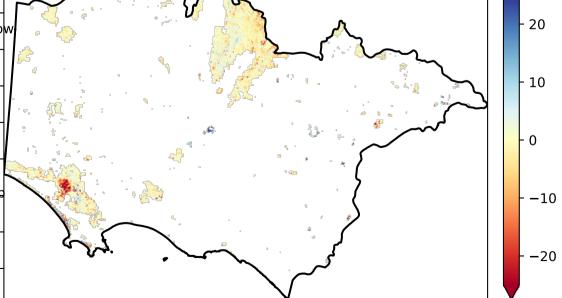
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### **Conservation and natural environments**



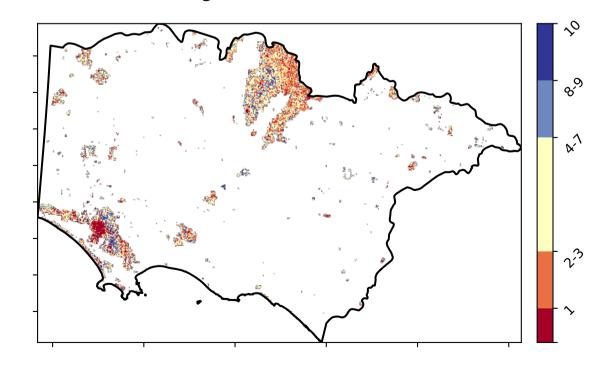
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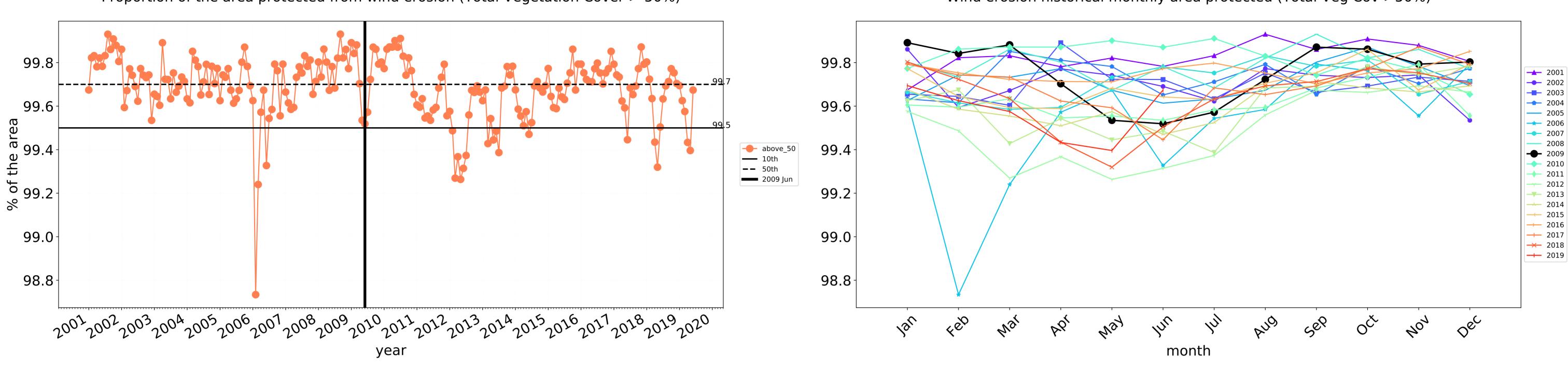


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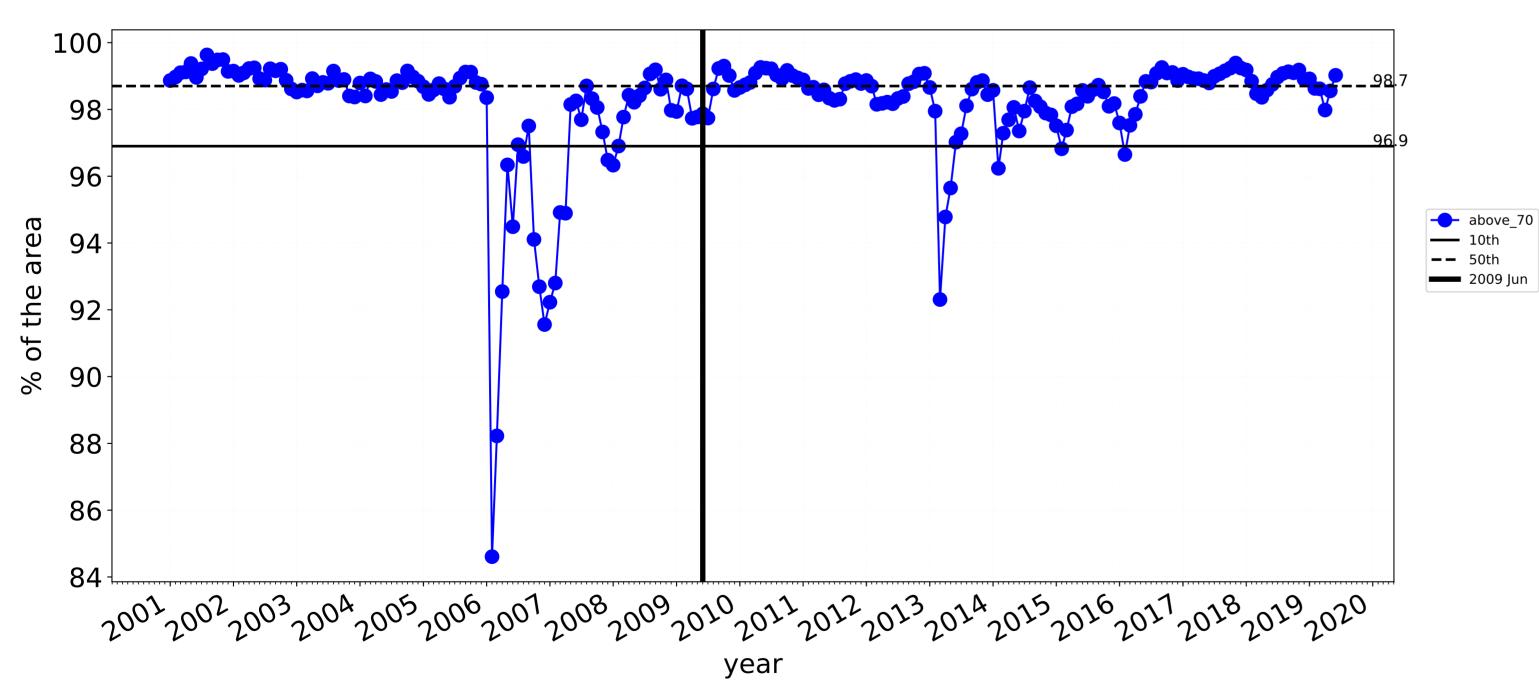




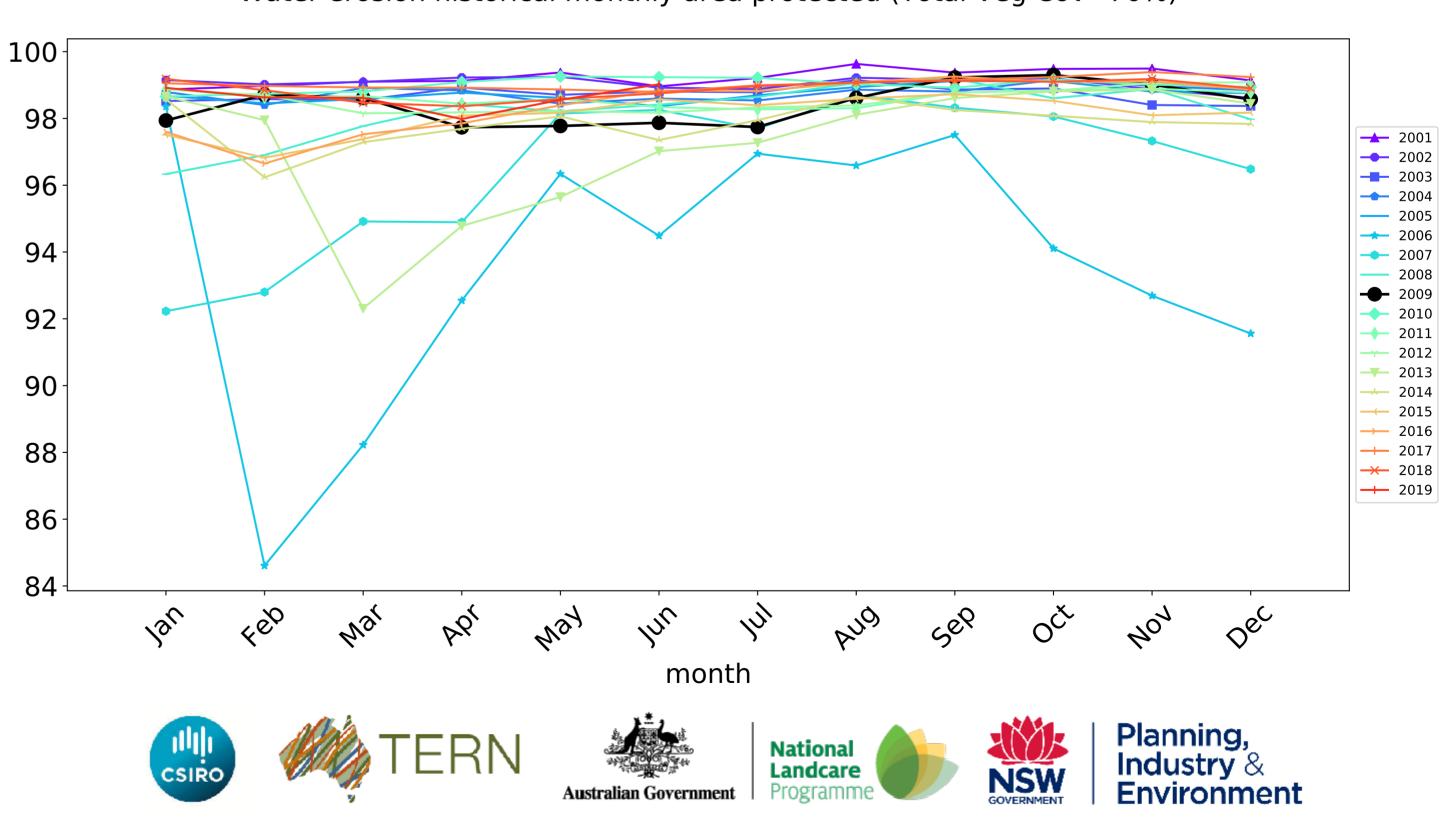


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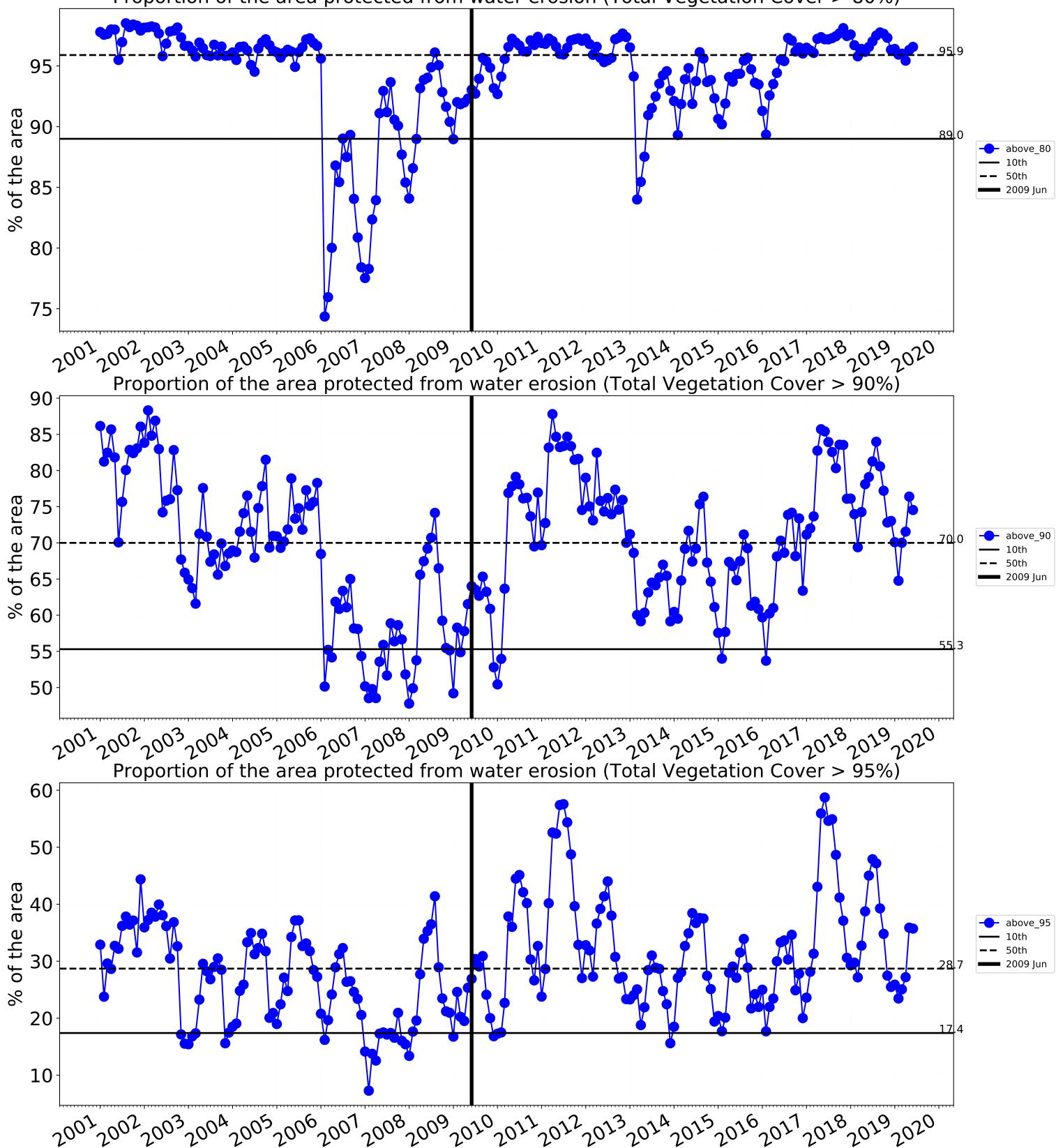
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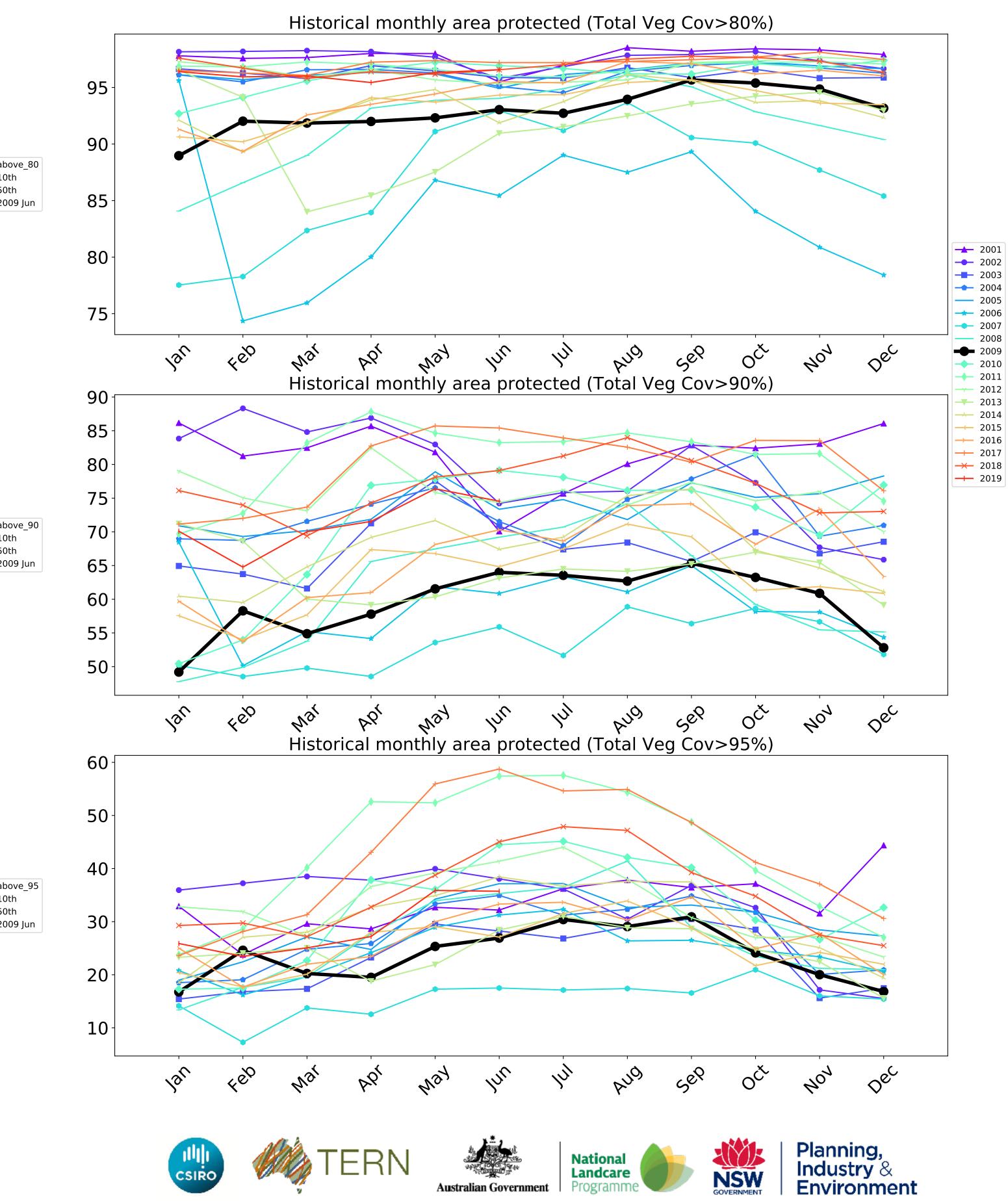
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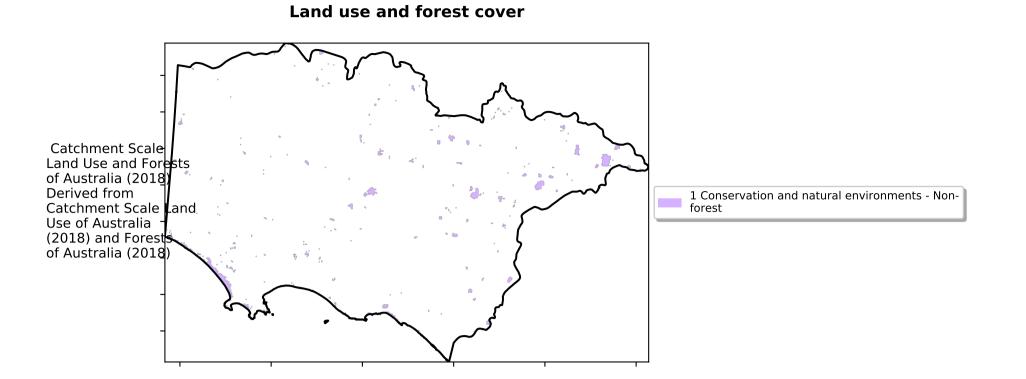
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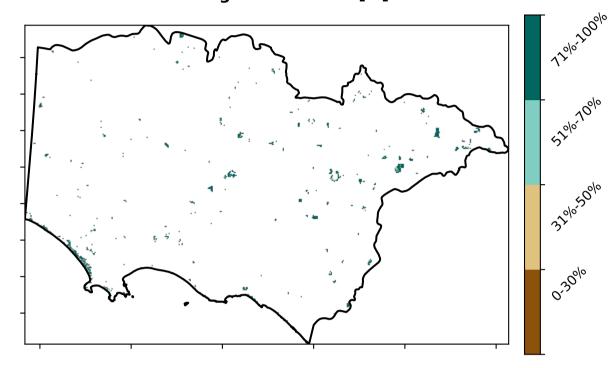
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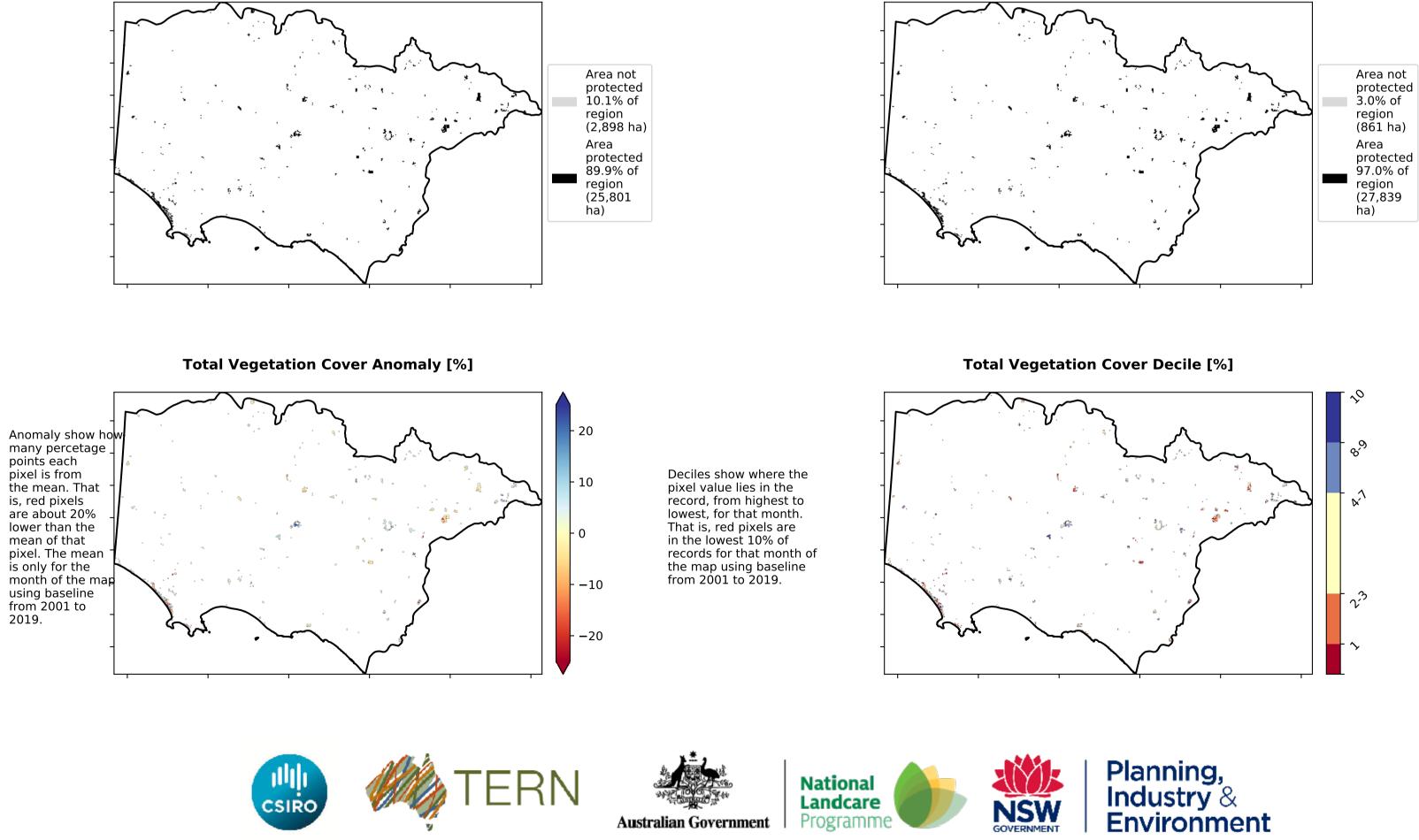
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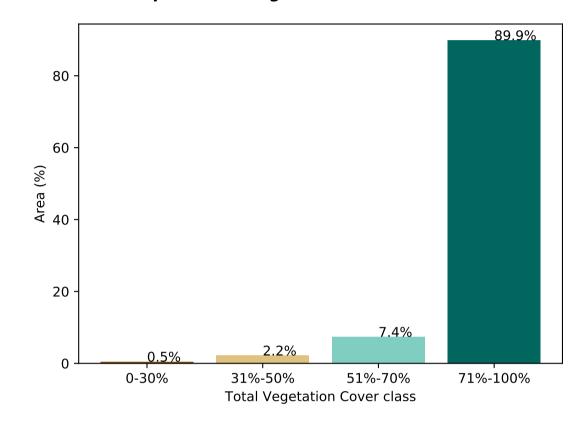
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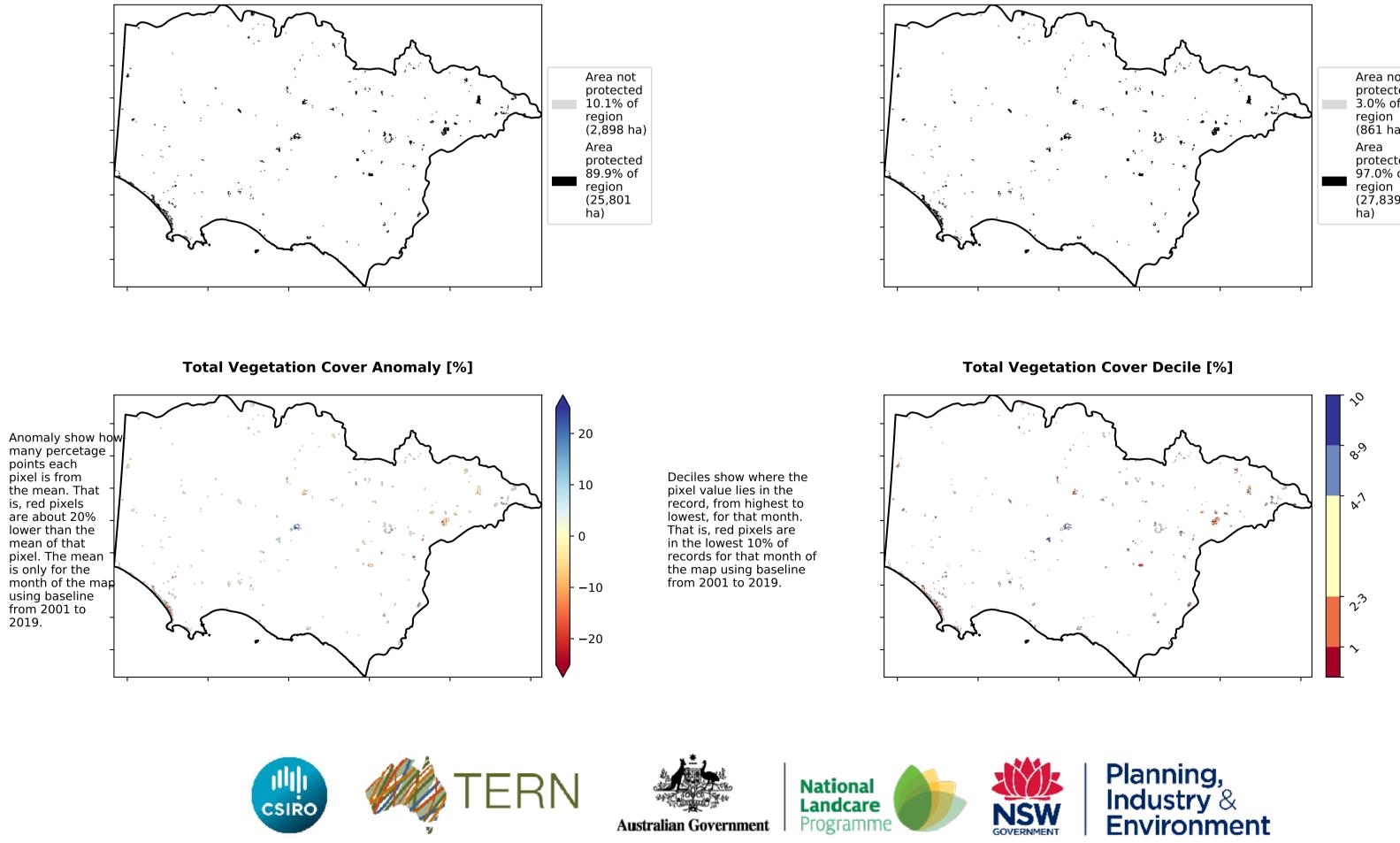
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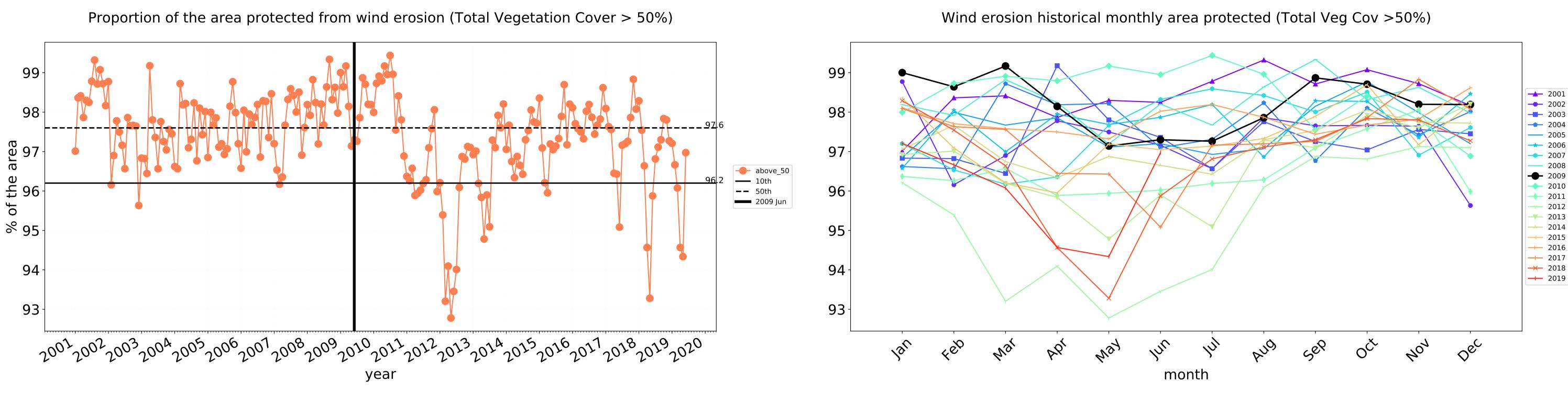


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

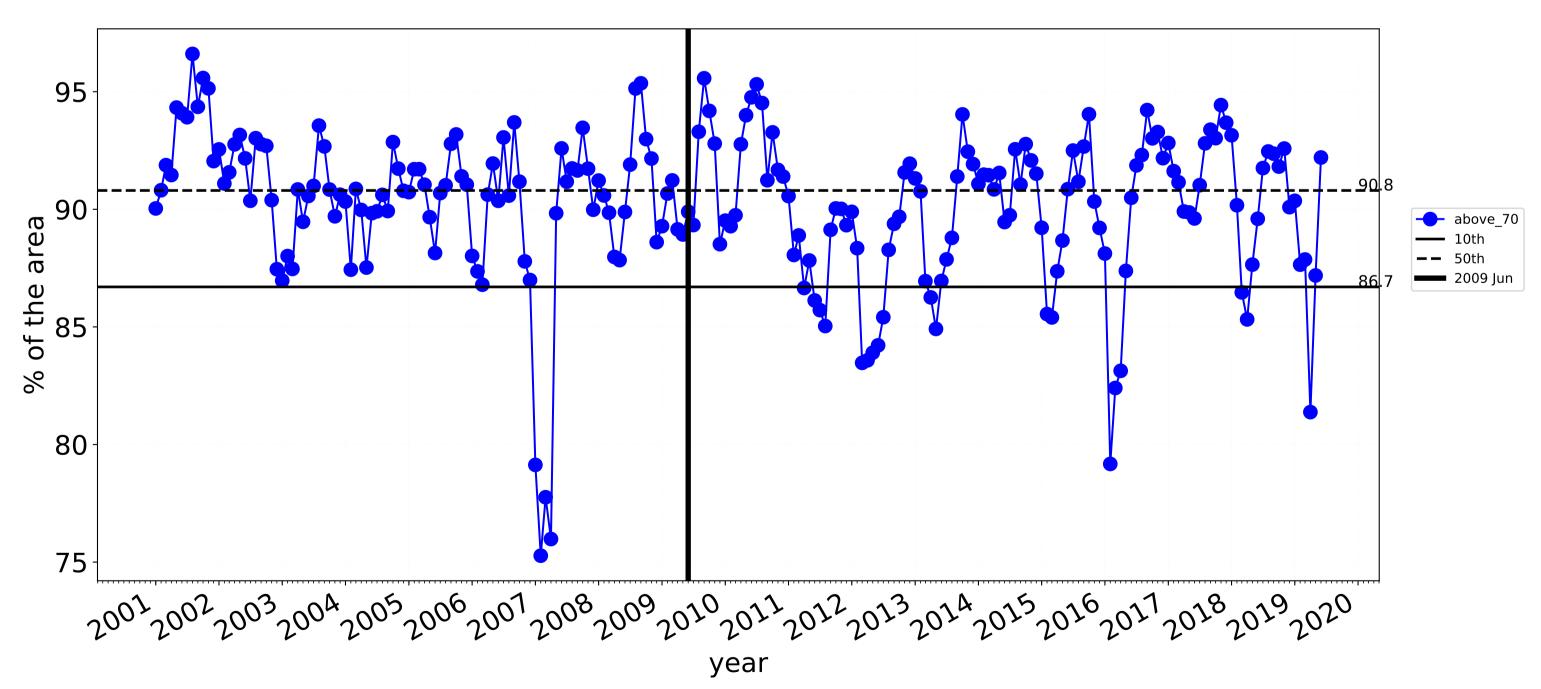


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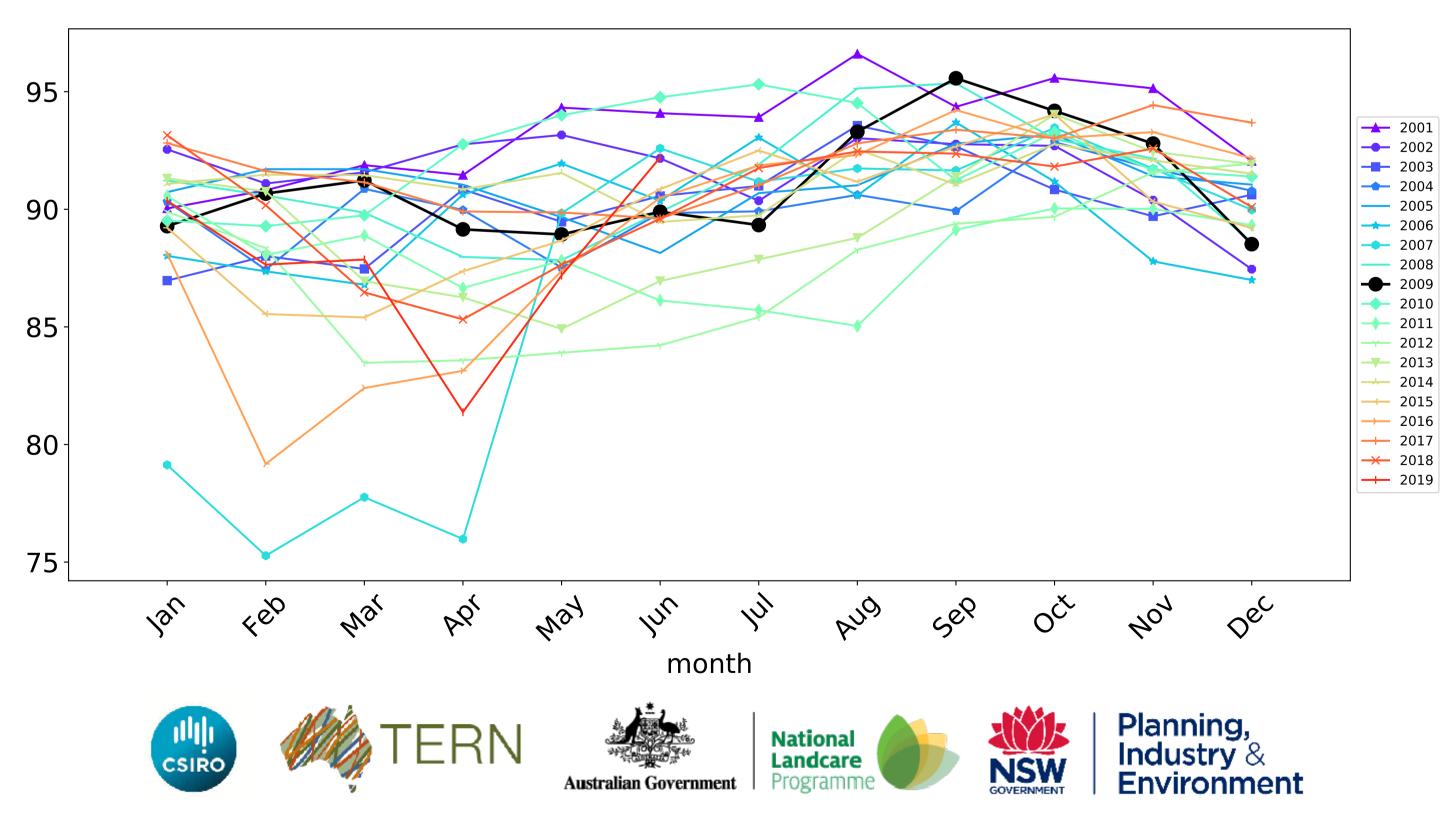


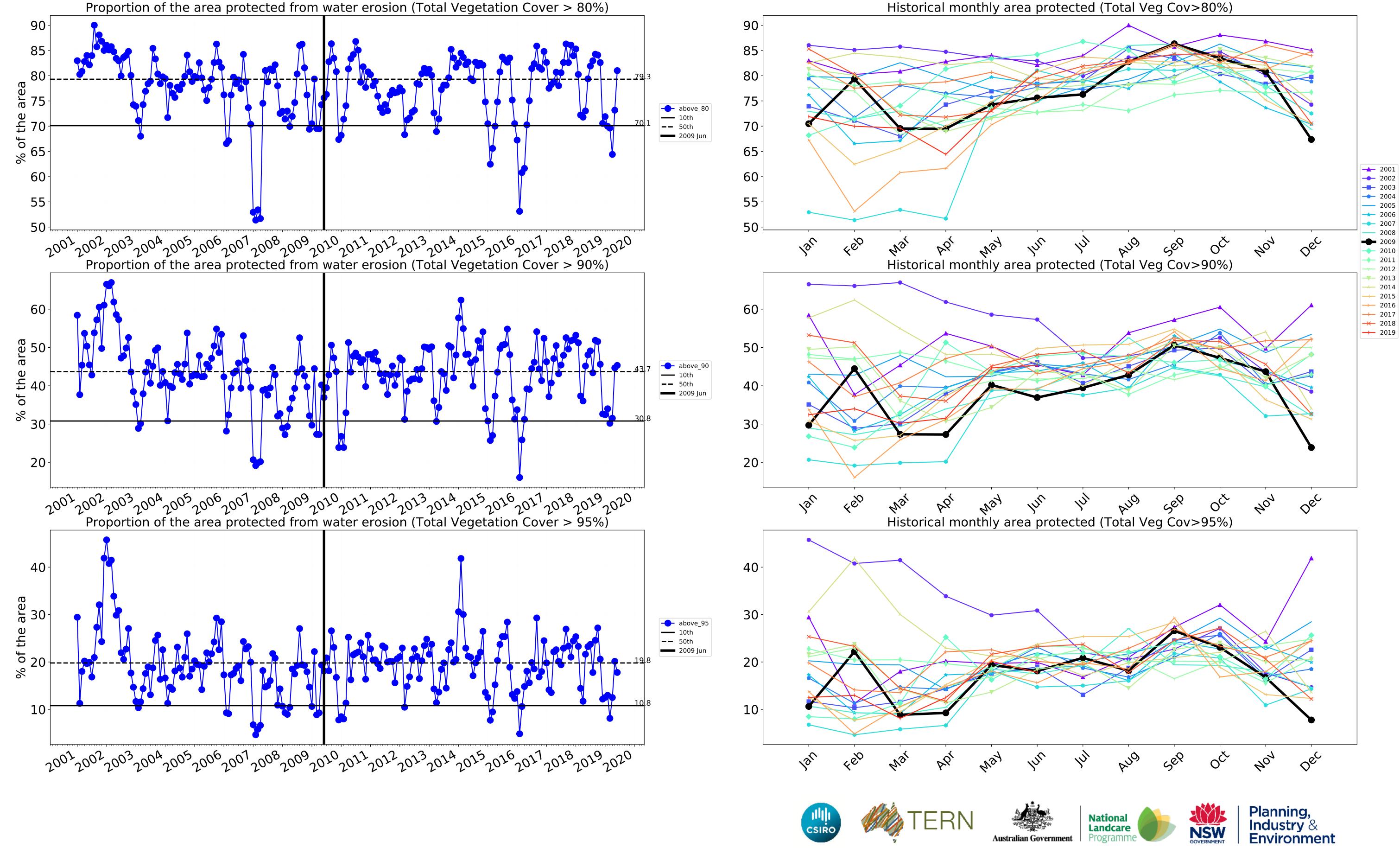


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

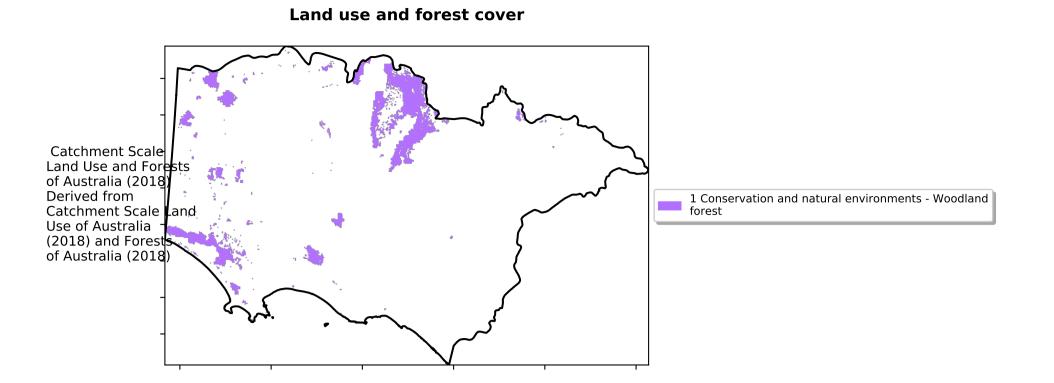


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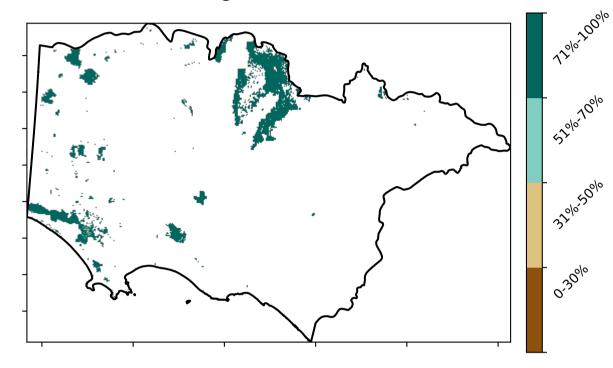




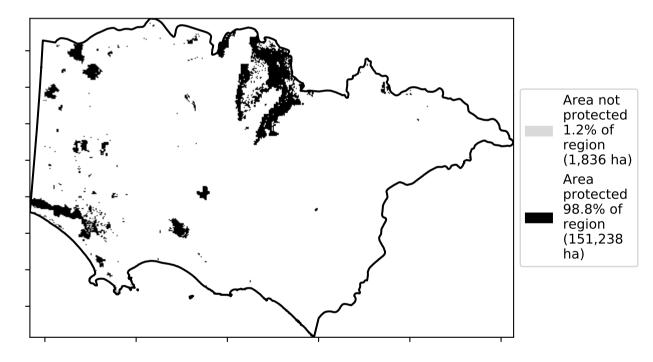
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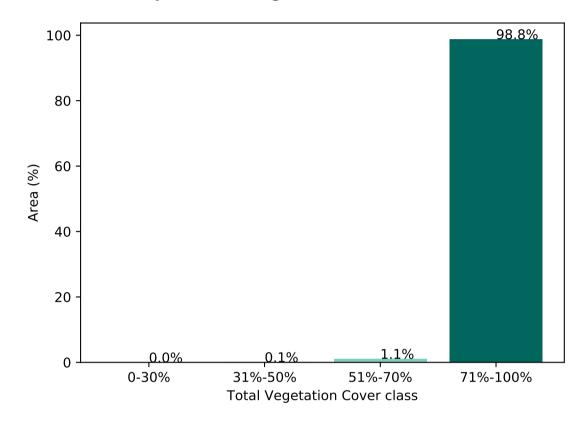
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



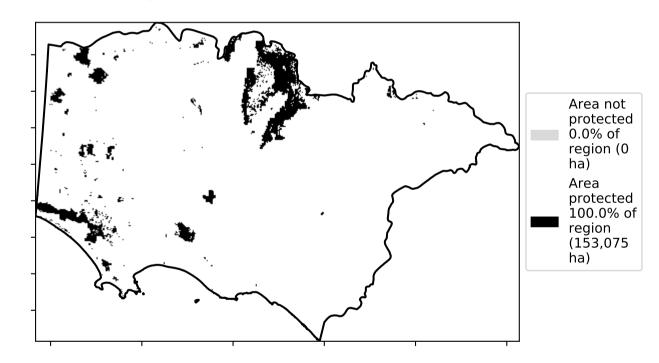
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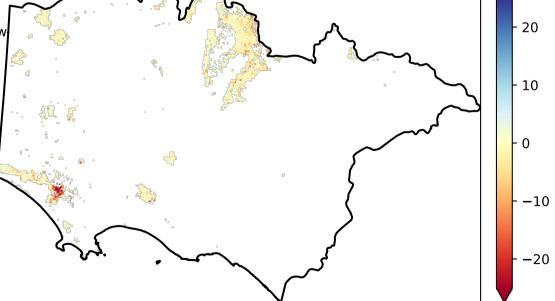


#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



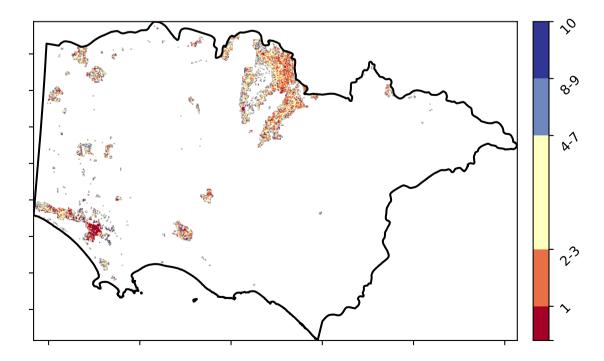
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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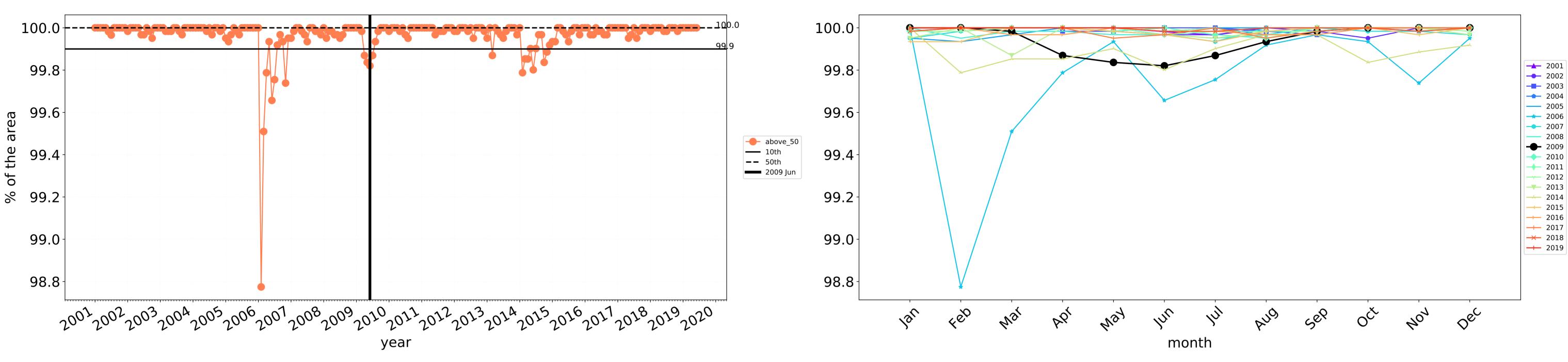


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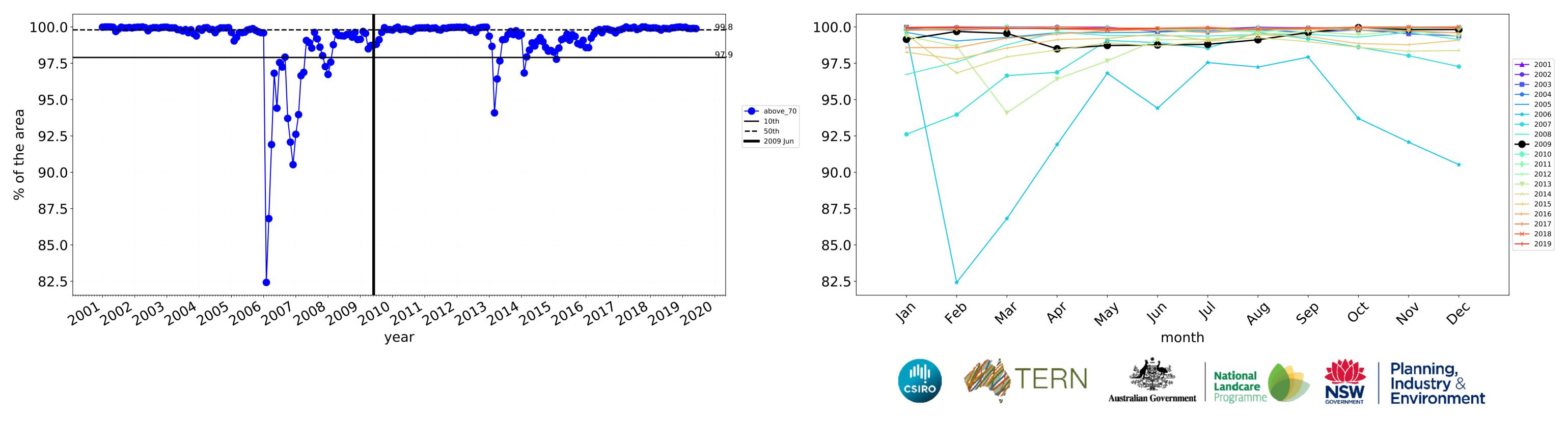






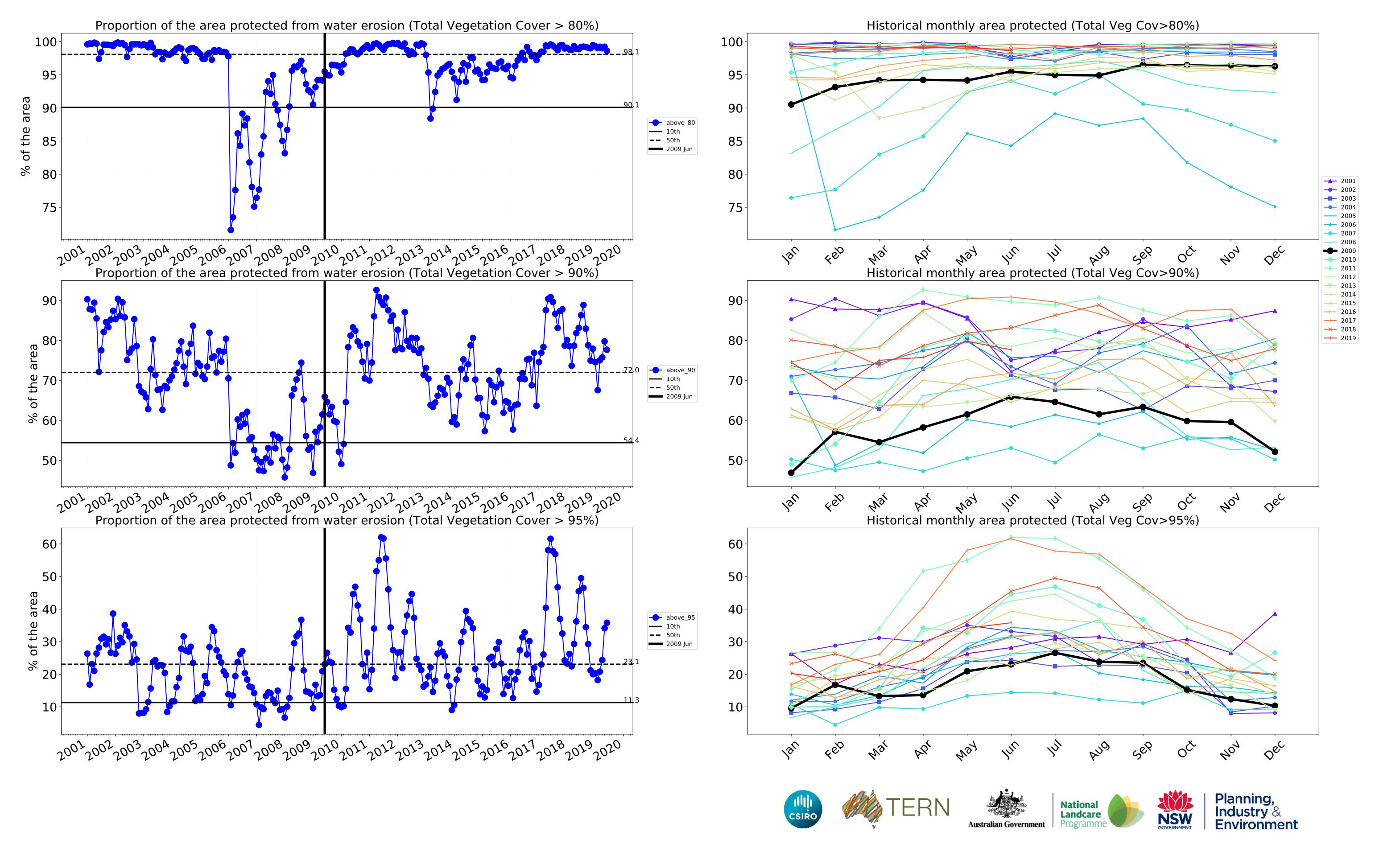
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

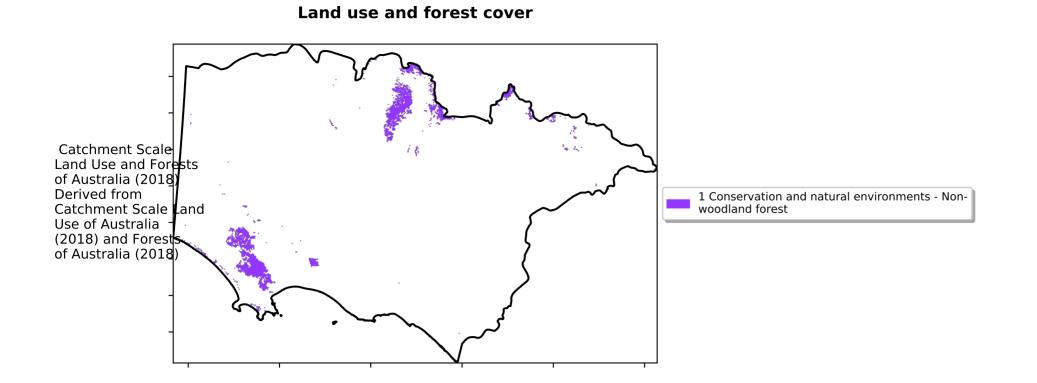


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

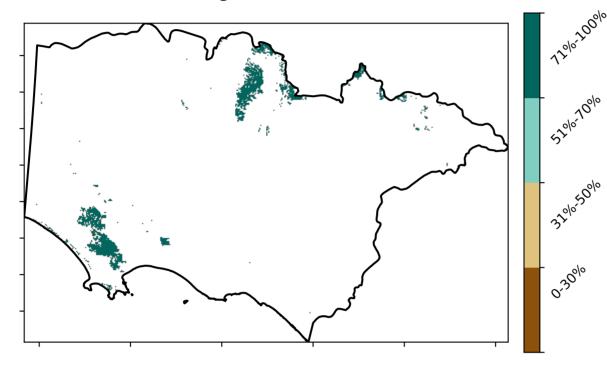
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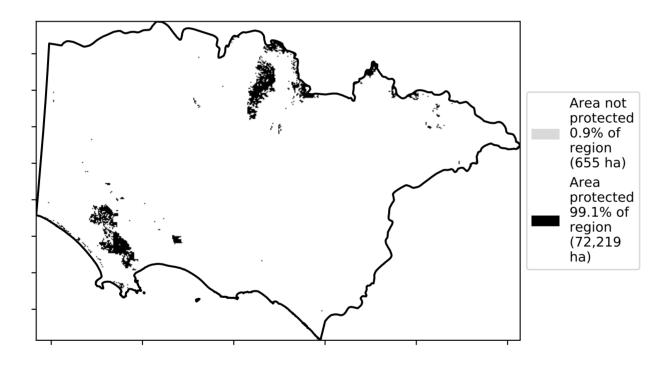
# Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)



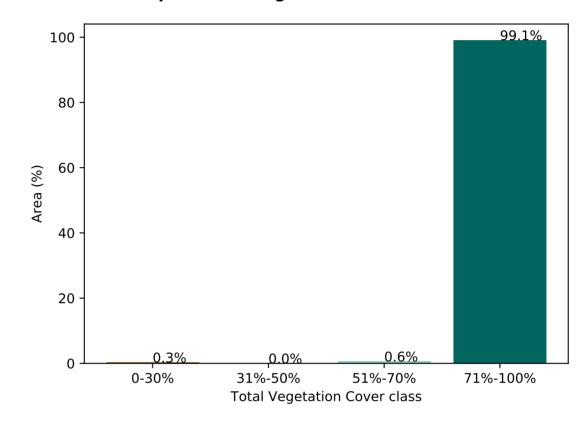
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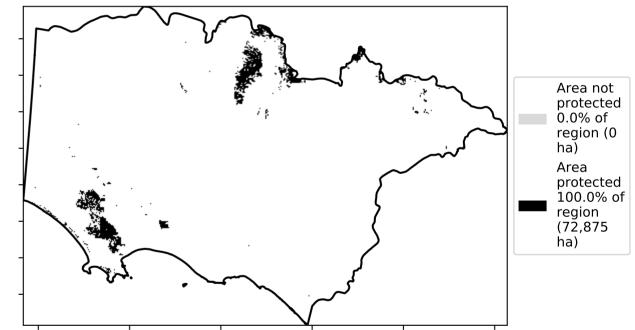
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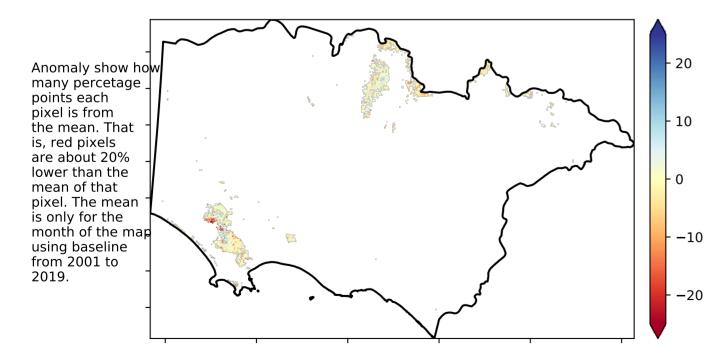
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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

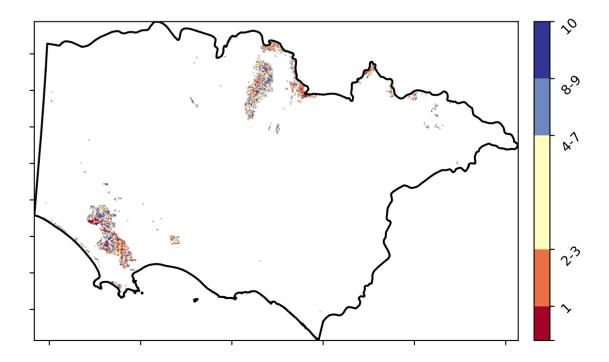


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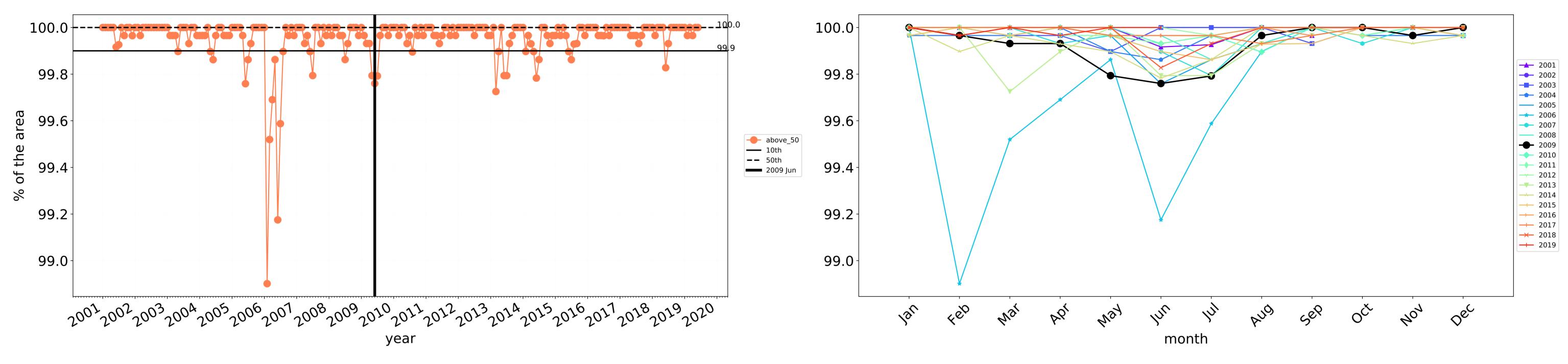
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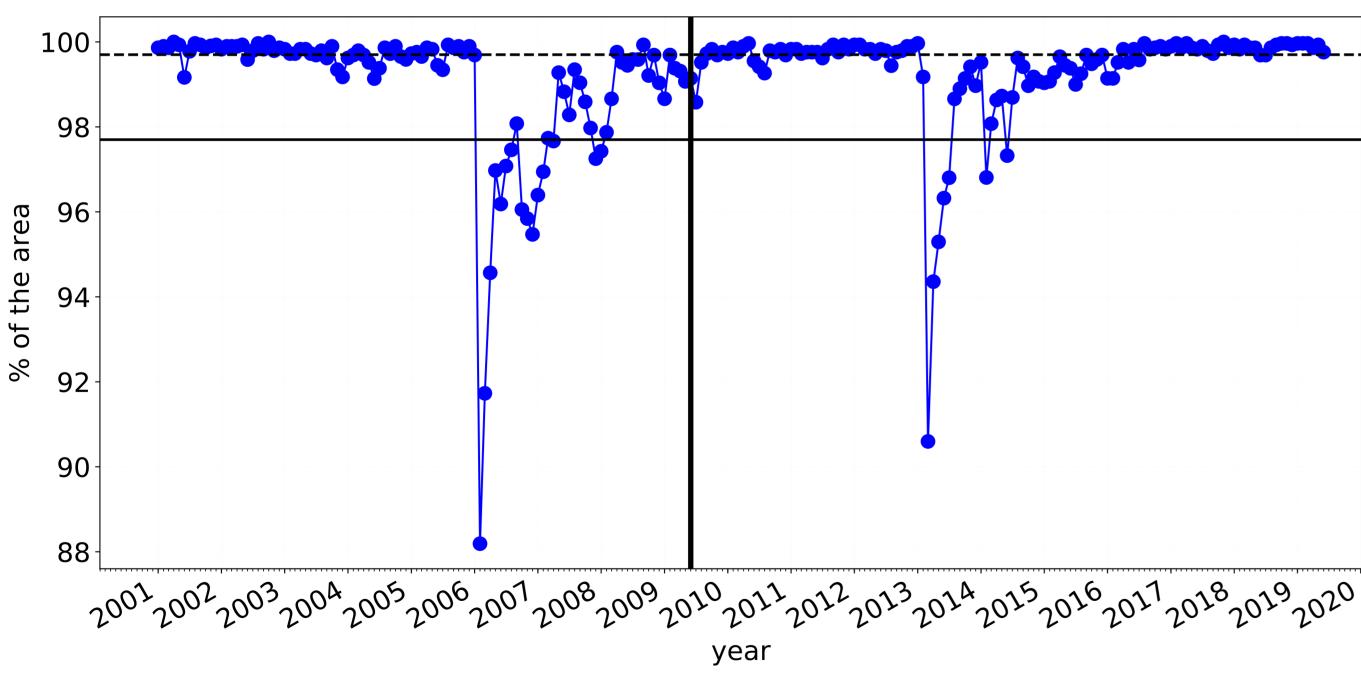


# **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries**



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

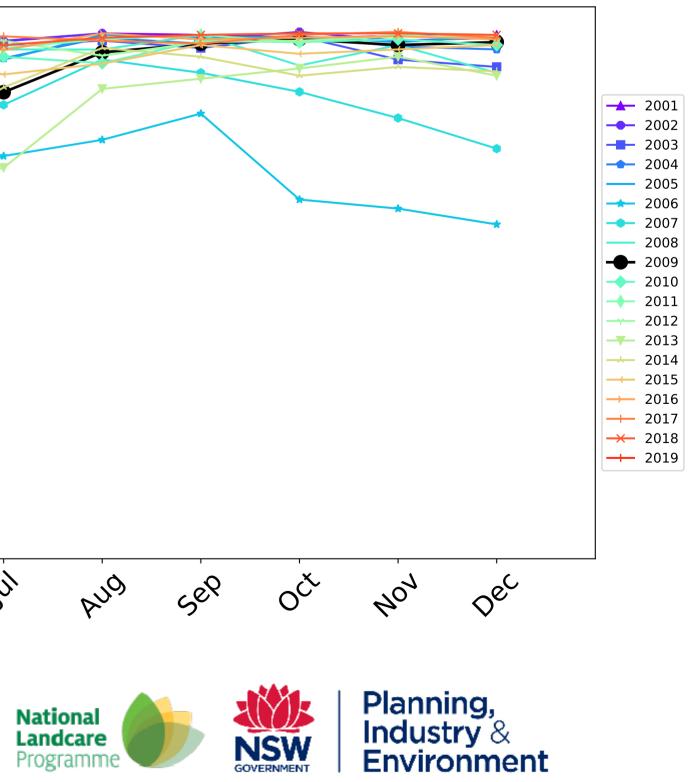
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

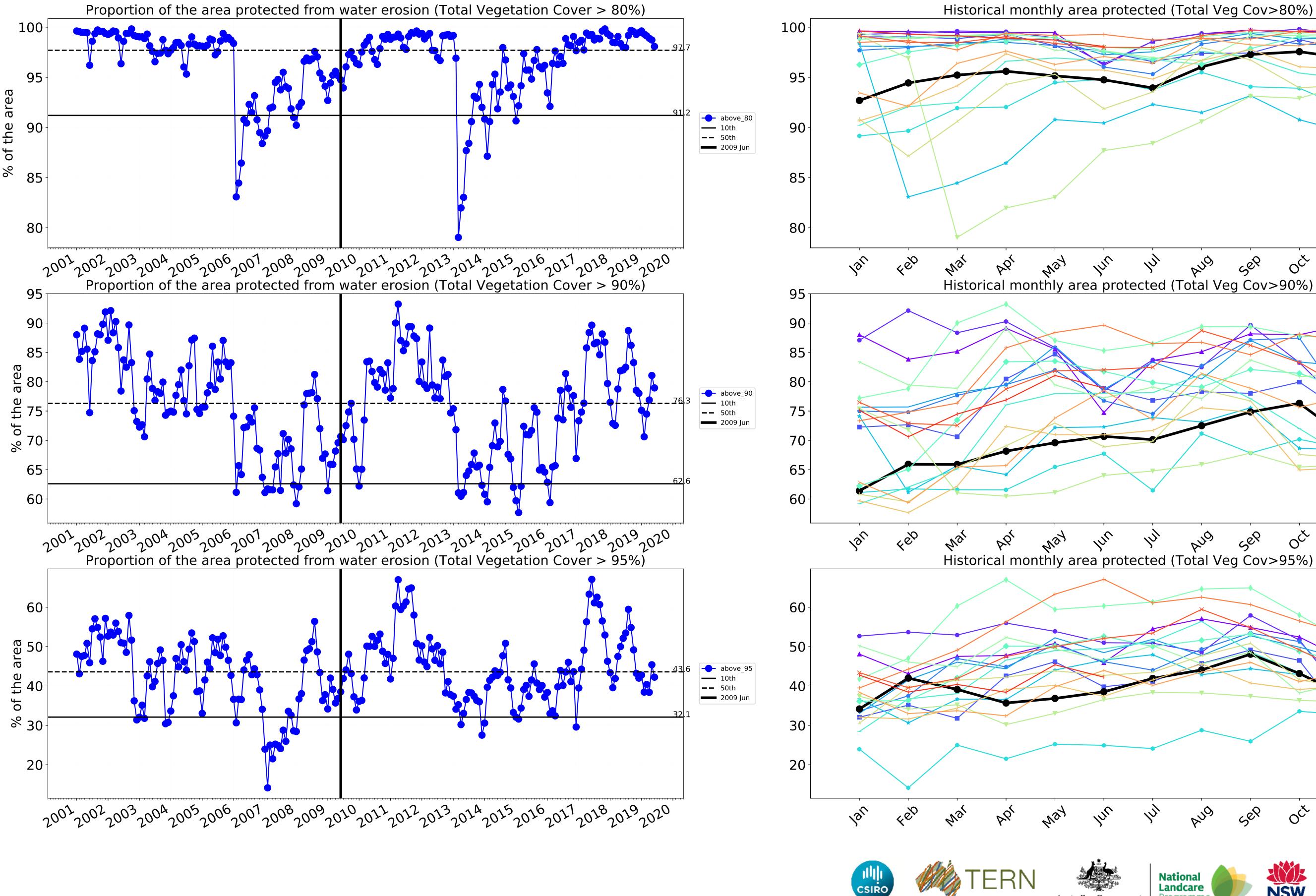


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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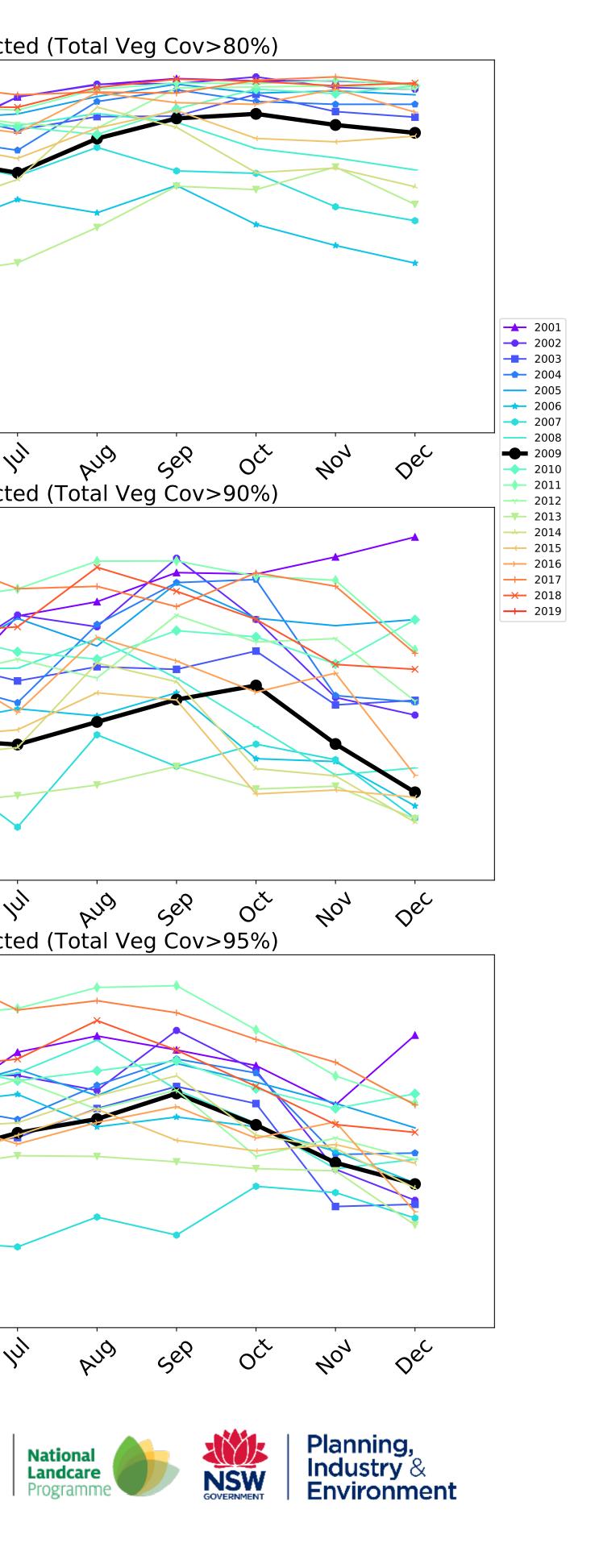
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)





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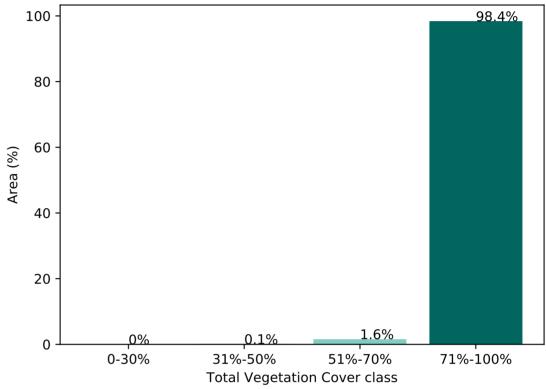
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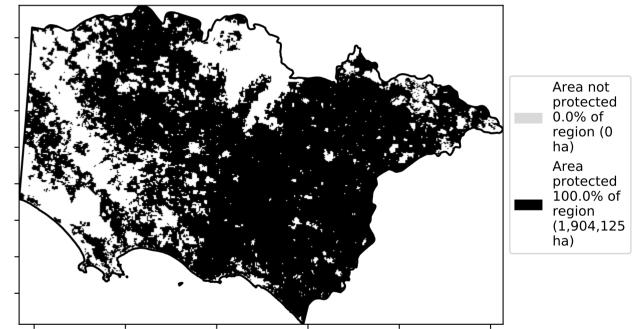


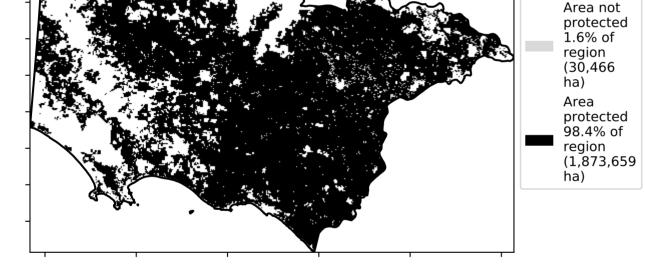
# Agriculture

Land use and forest cover <u>86.3</u>% 80 Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from 60 1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest Area (%) 05 2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest 3 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest Catchment Scale Land 4 Agriculture - Cropping - Non-irrigated Use of Australia – (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018) 5 Agriculture - Horticulture - Non-irrigated 6 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated 20 <u>11.1</u>% 0.0% 0 2 3 4 6 1 5 Land use class Proportion of vegetation cover class in area **Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 100 120/0 80 52%70% 60 Area (%) 32010 40 0.30% 20 1.6% 0.1% 0% 0 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% Total Vegetation Cover class % Area protected from water erosion (>70%) % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

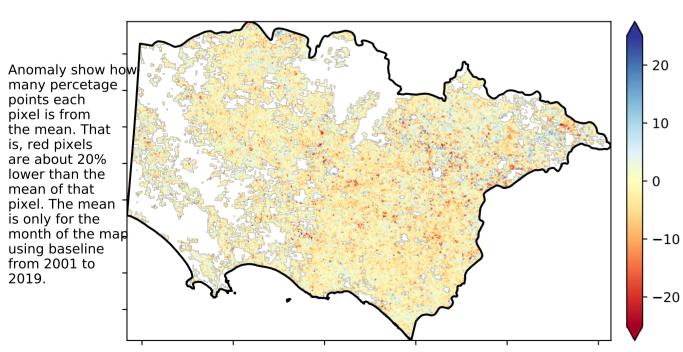
Proportion of each land class in area





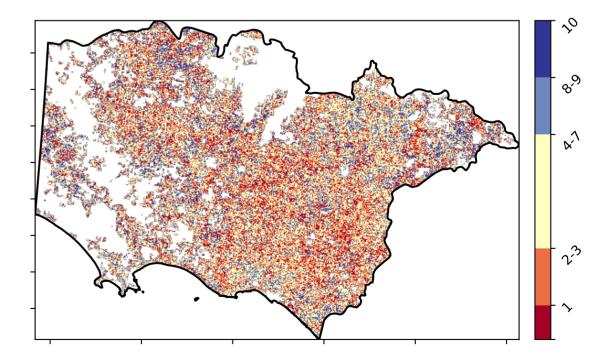


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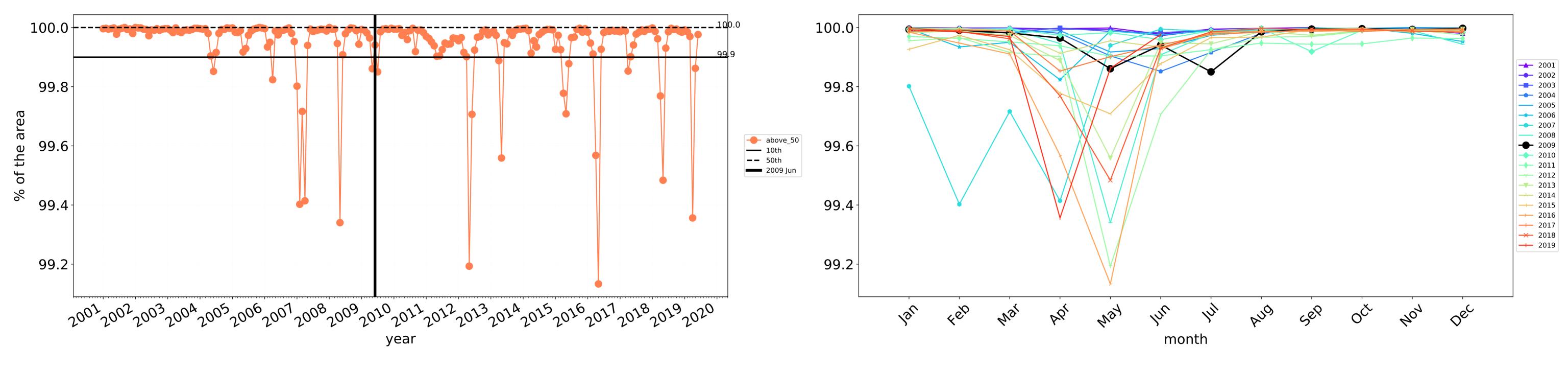


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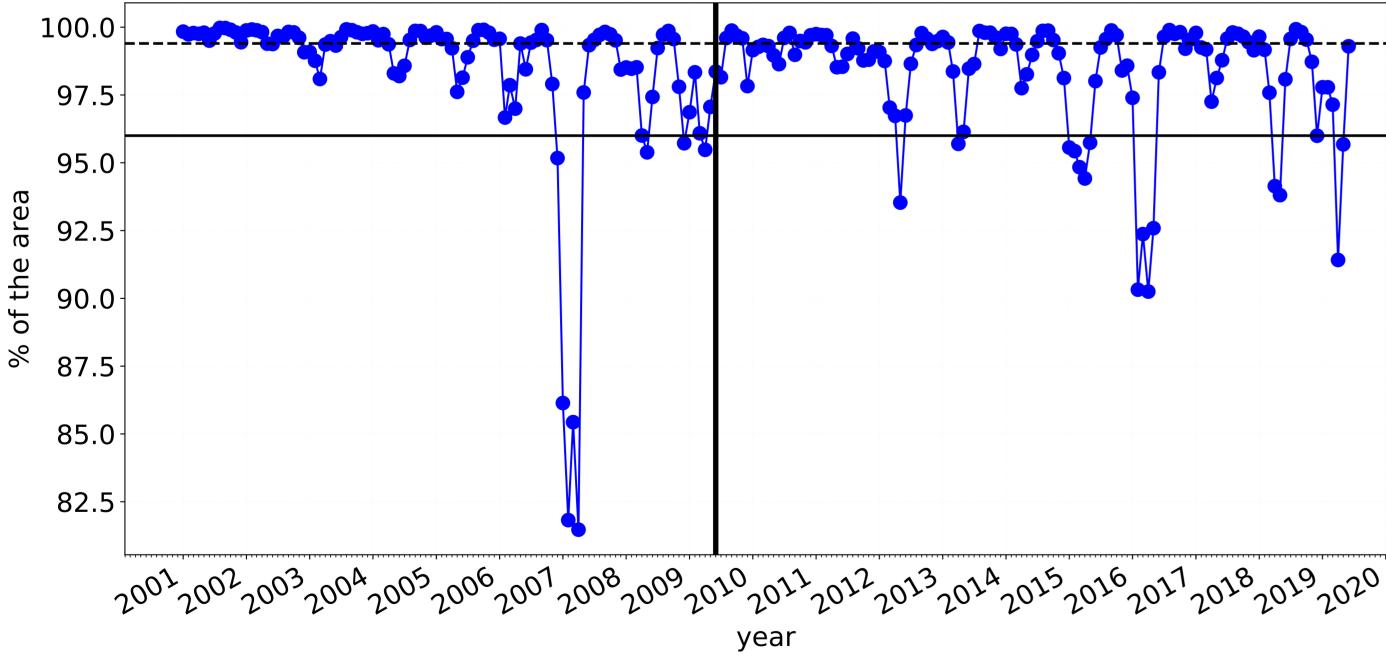






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

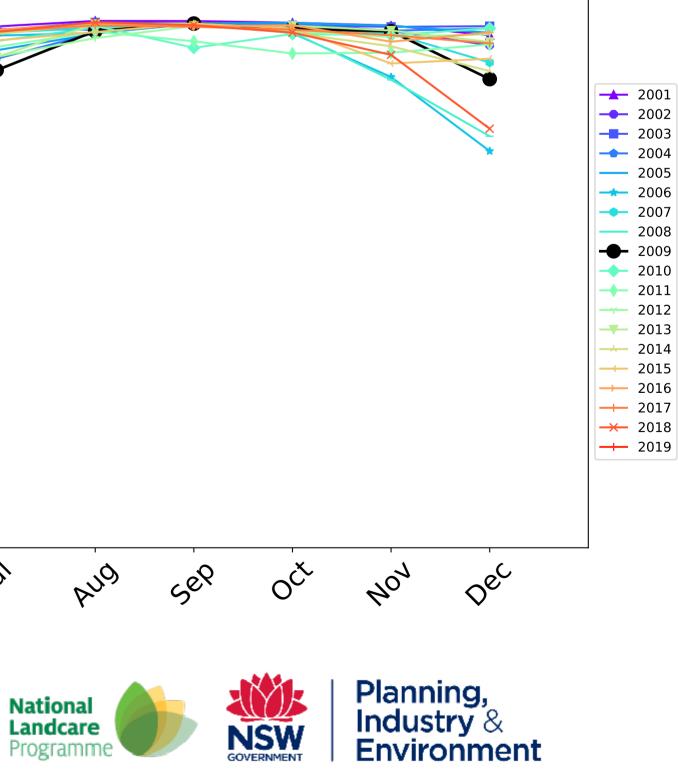
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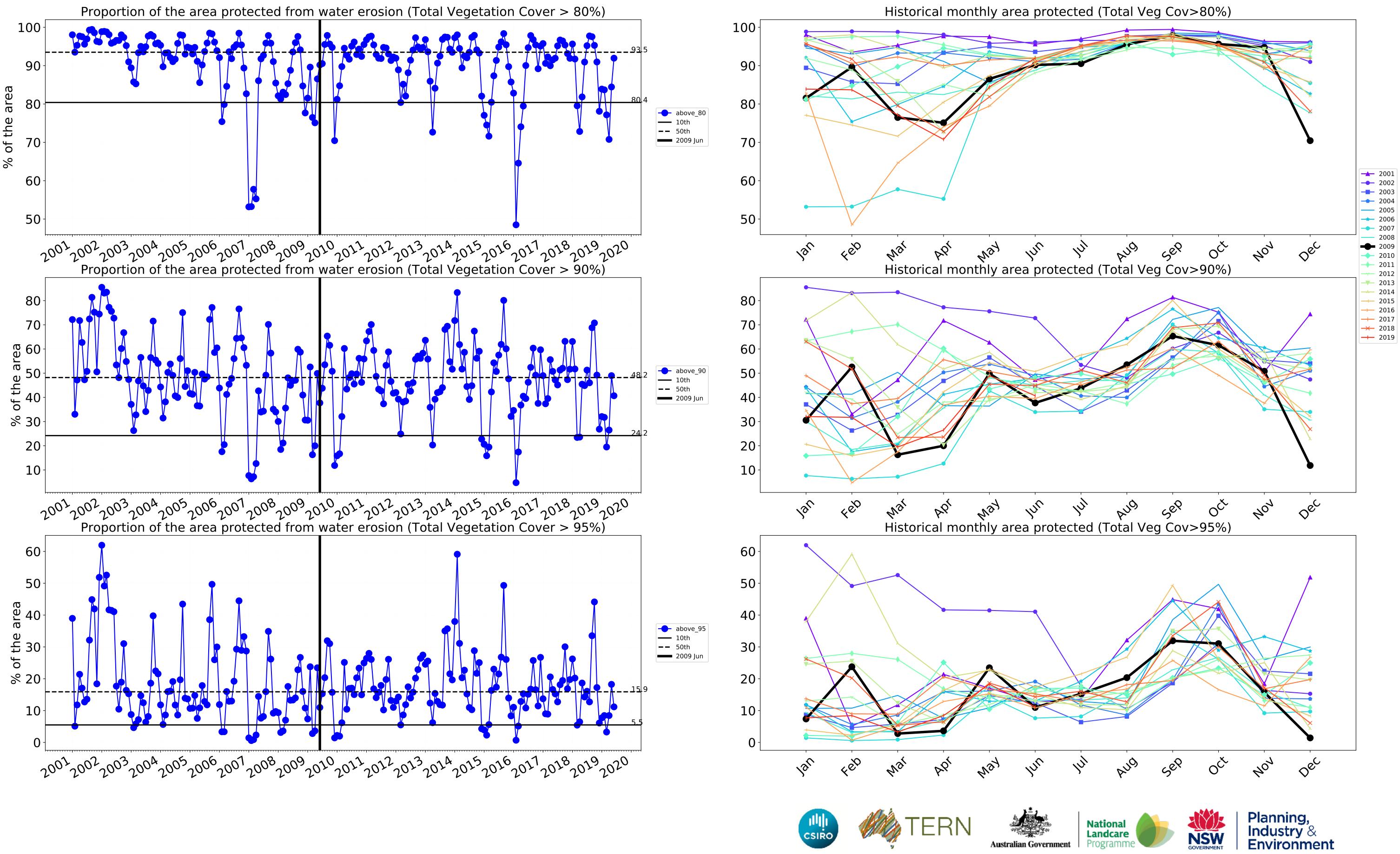


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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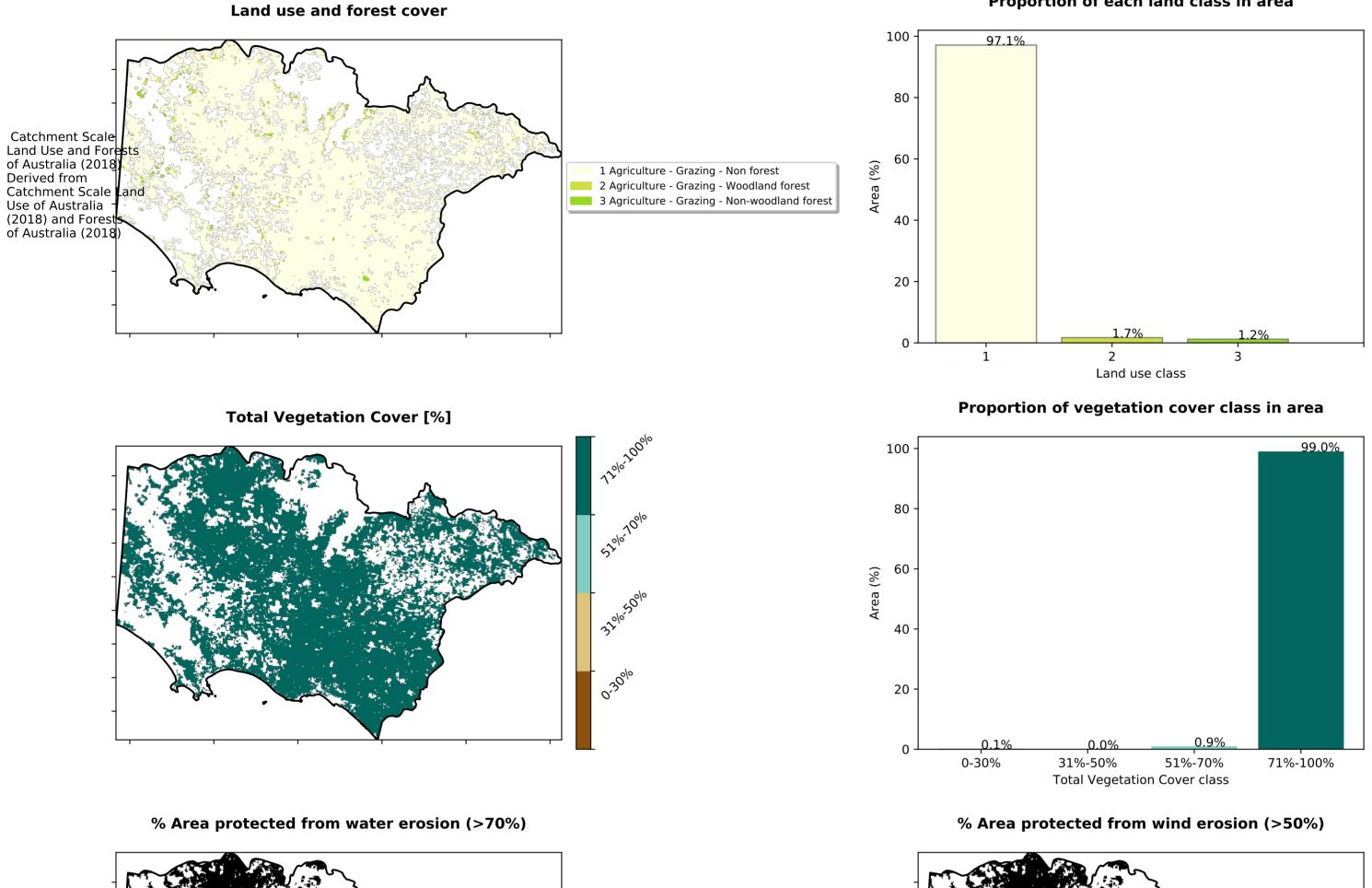
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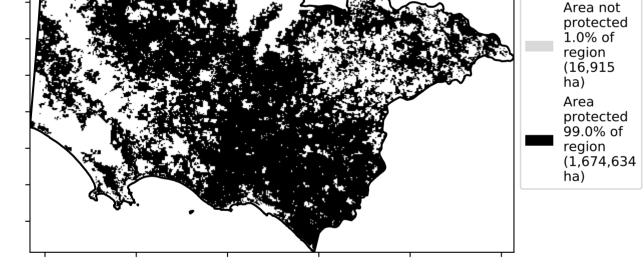




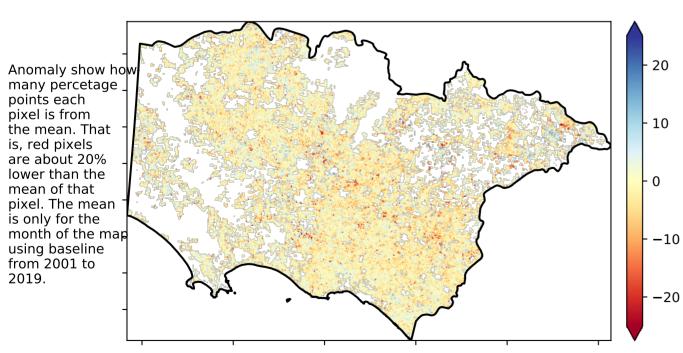
## Grazing



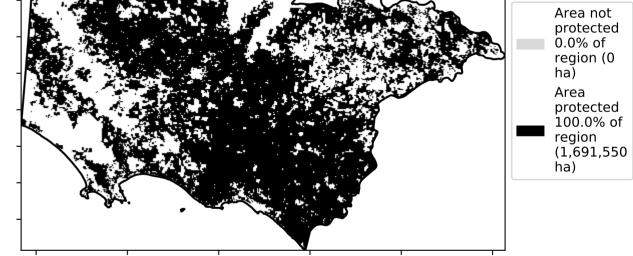
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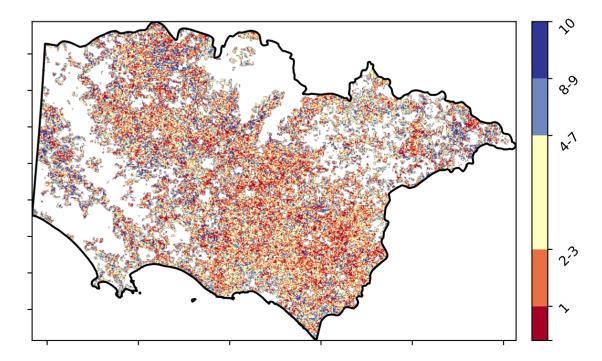
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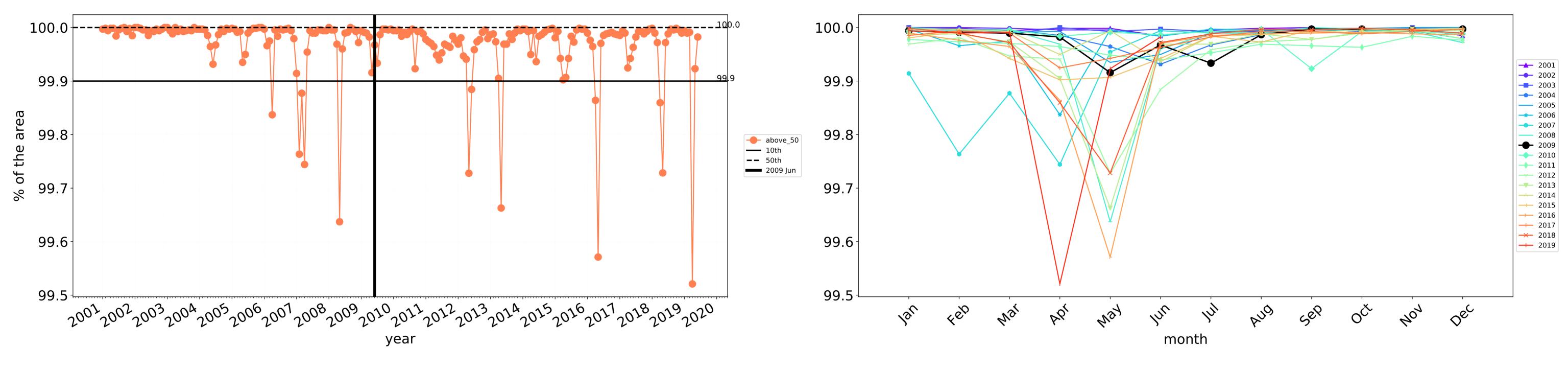
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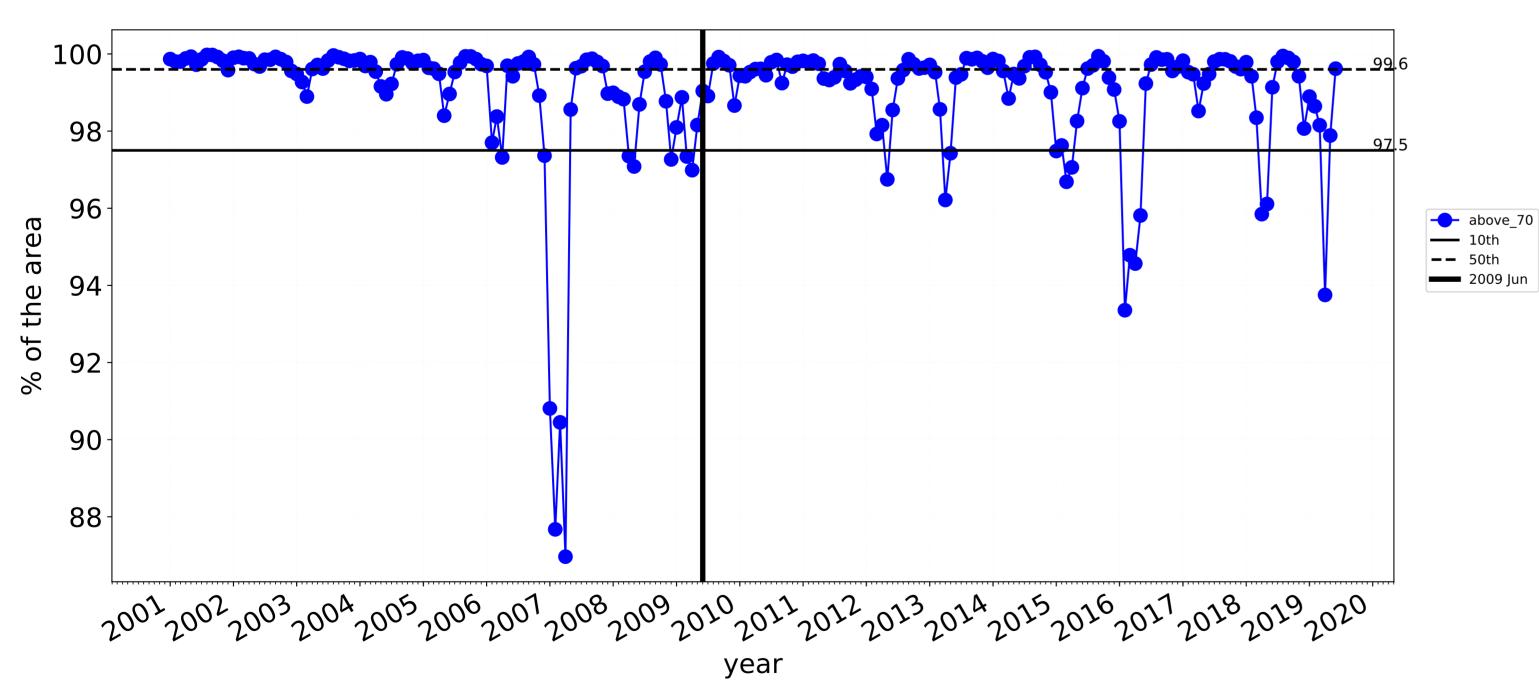


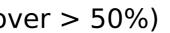




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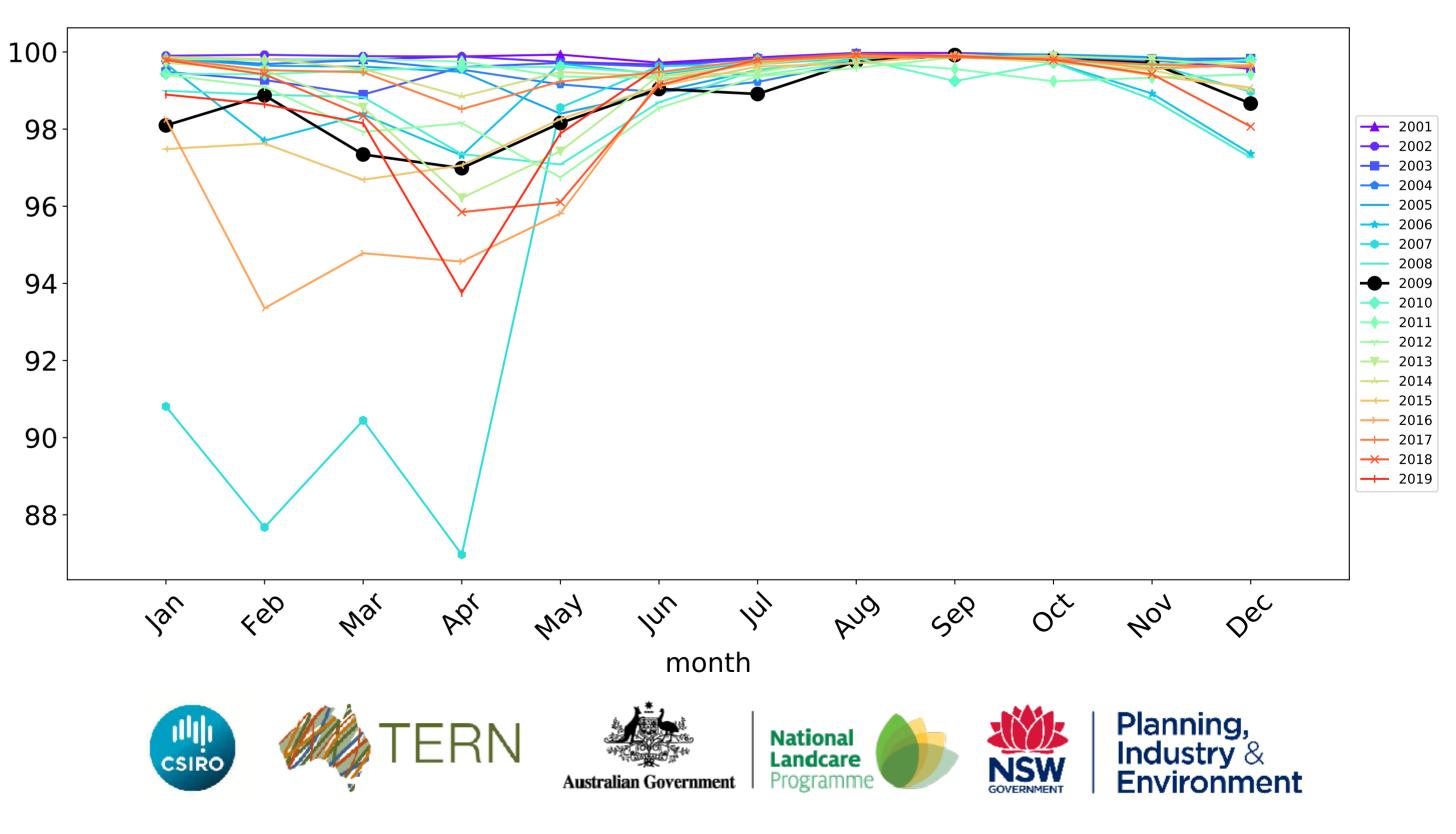
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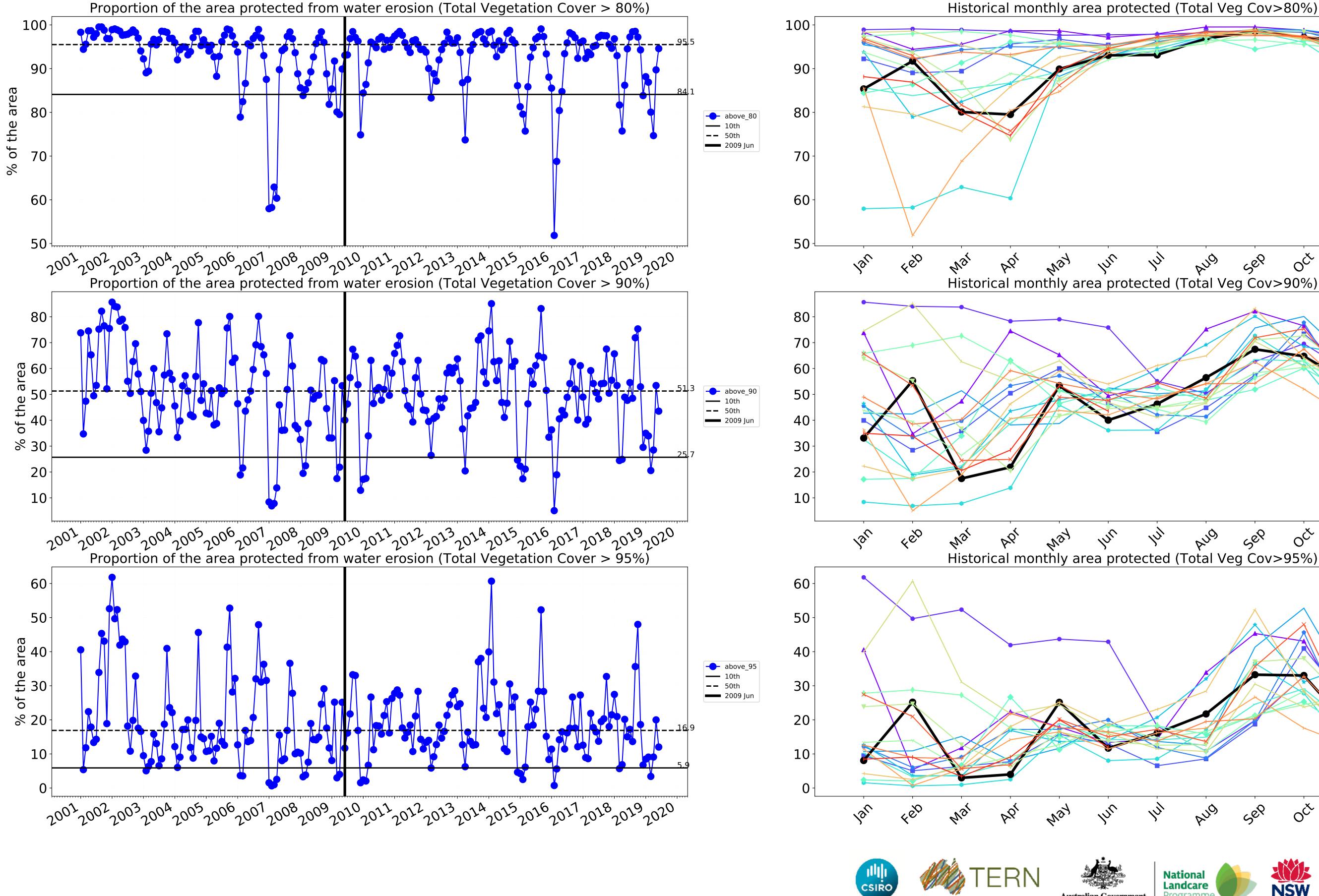




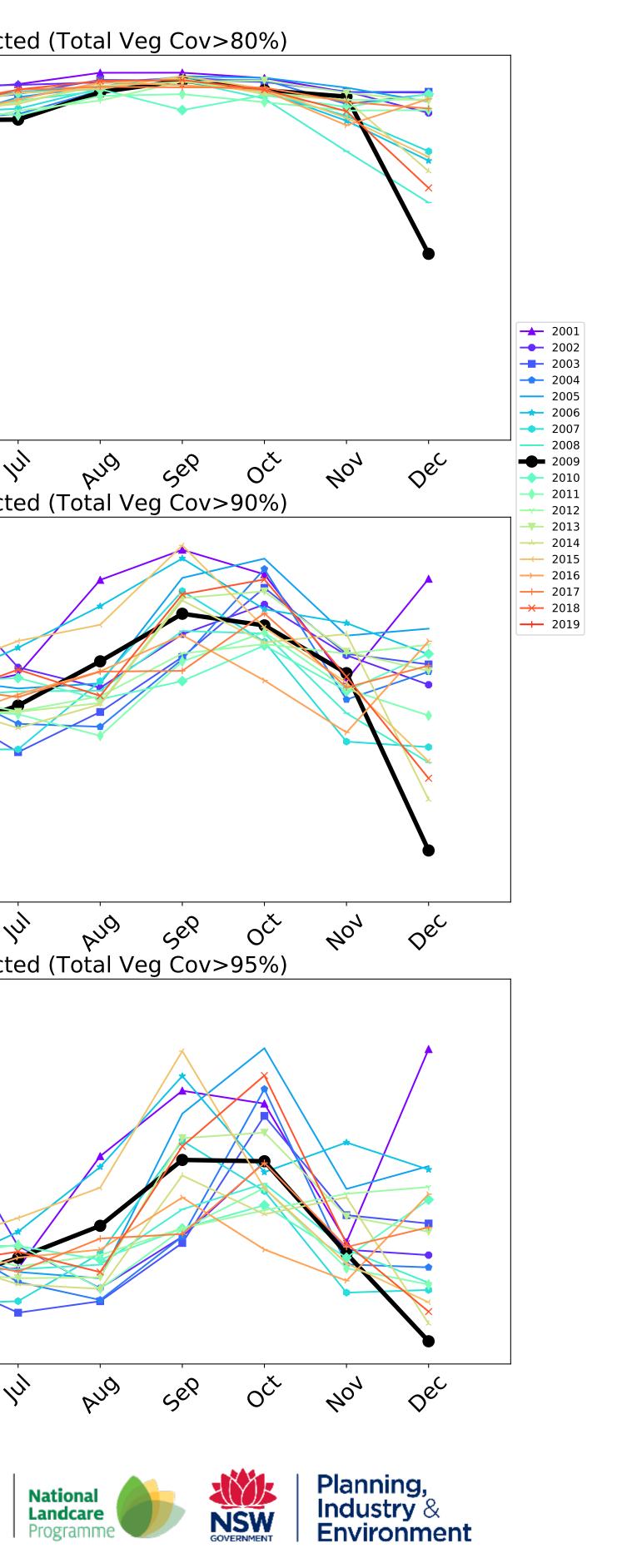
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

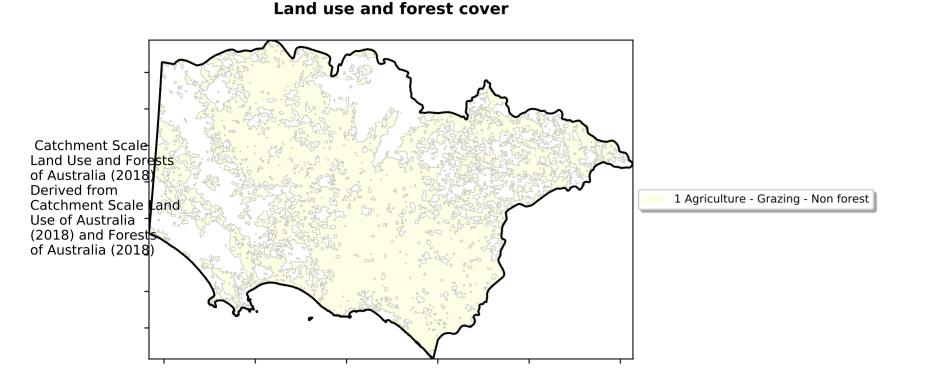




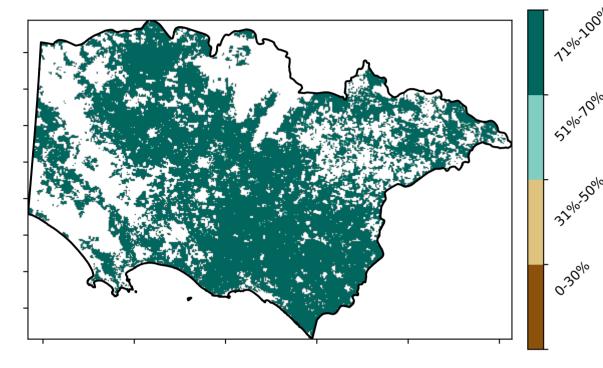
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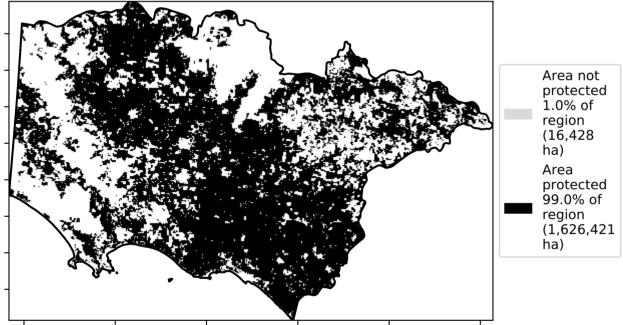
# **Grazing non forest**



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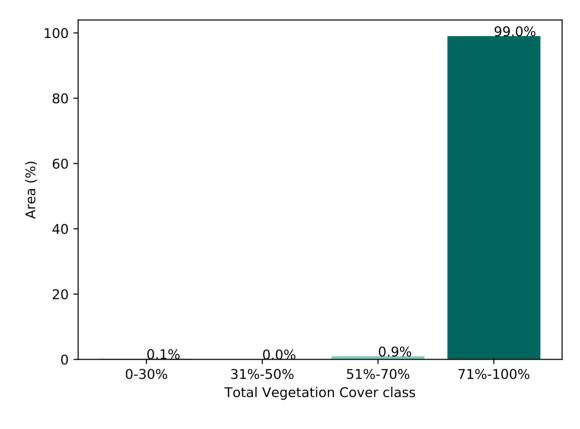


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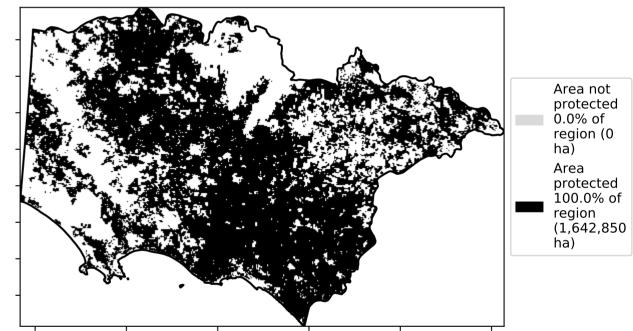


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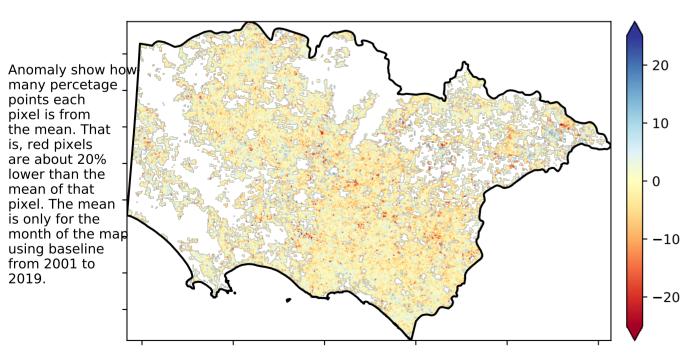




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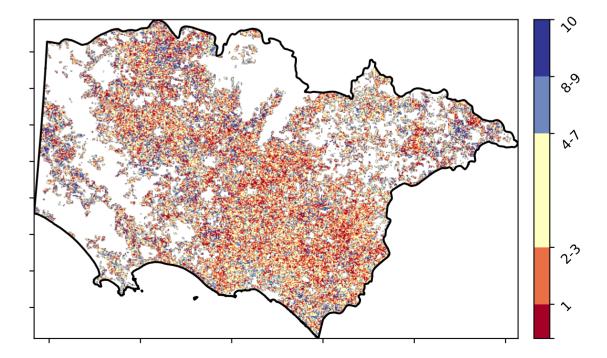


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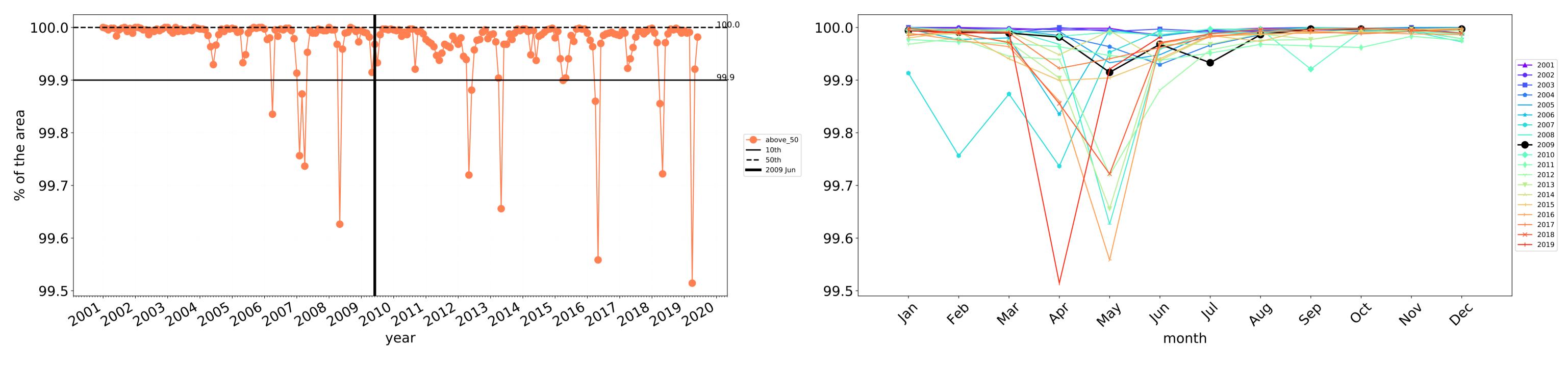


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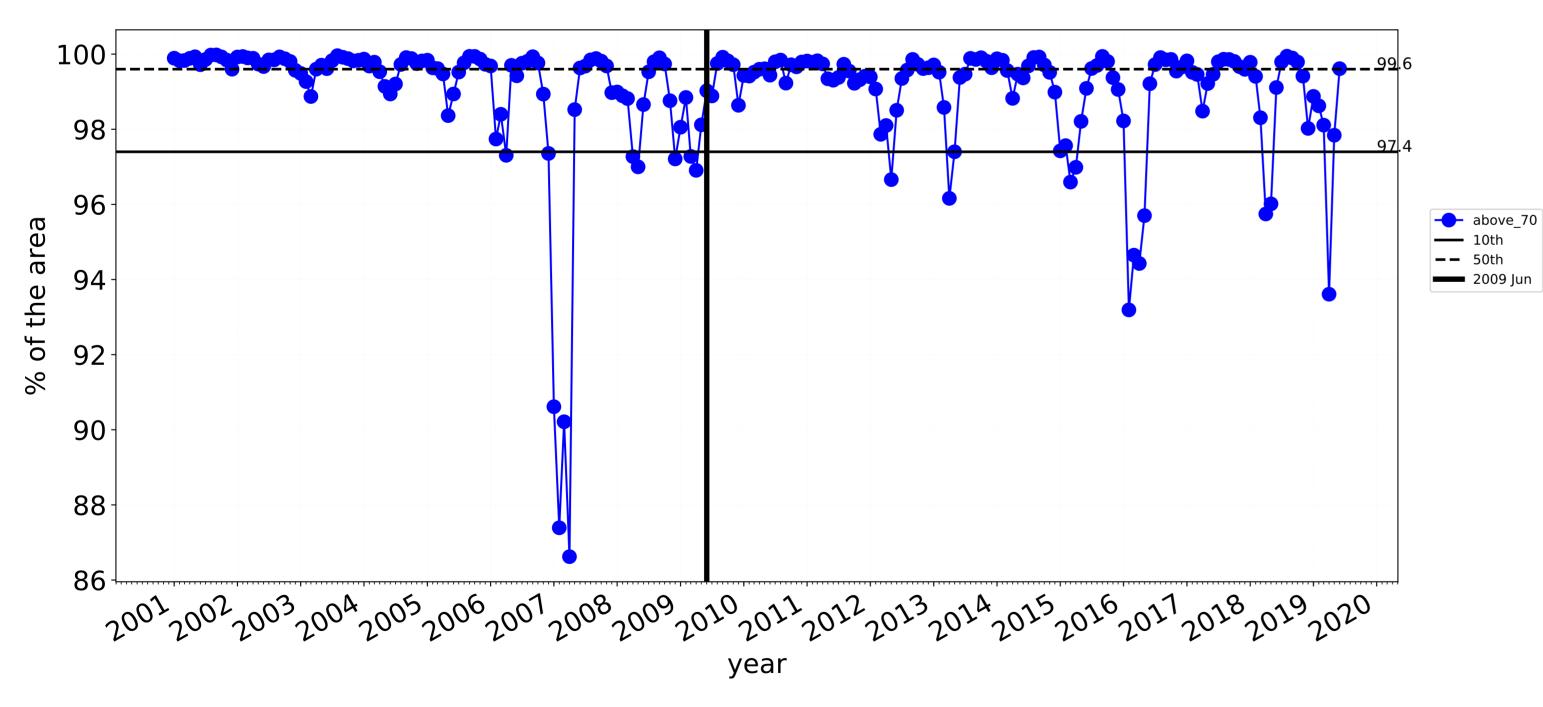


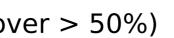




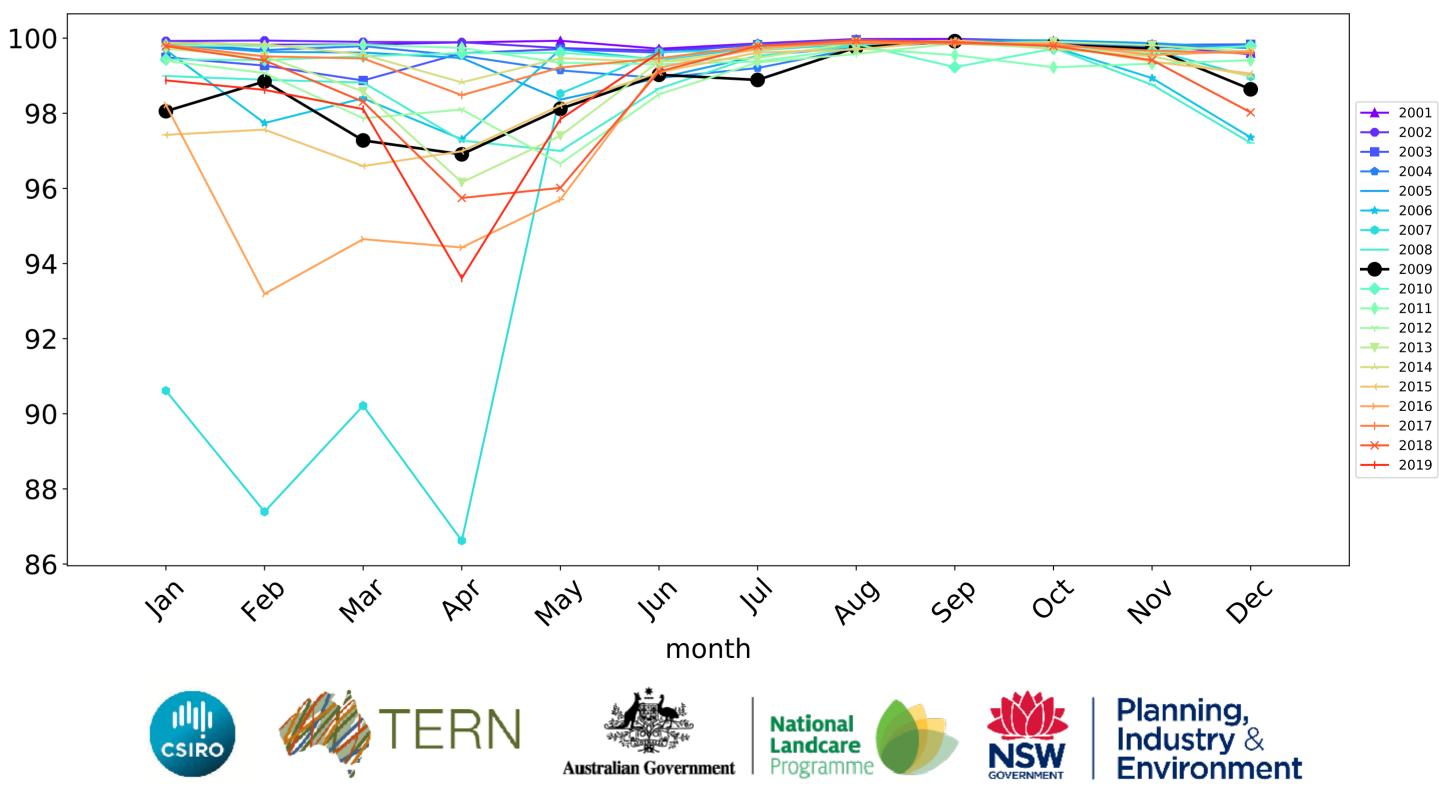
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

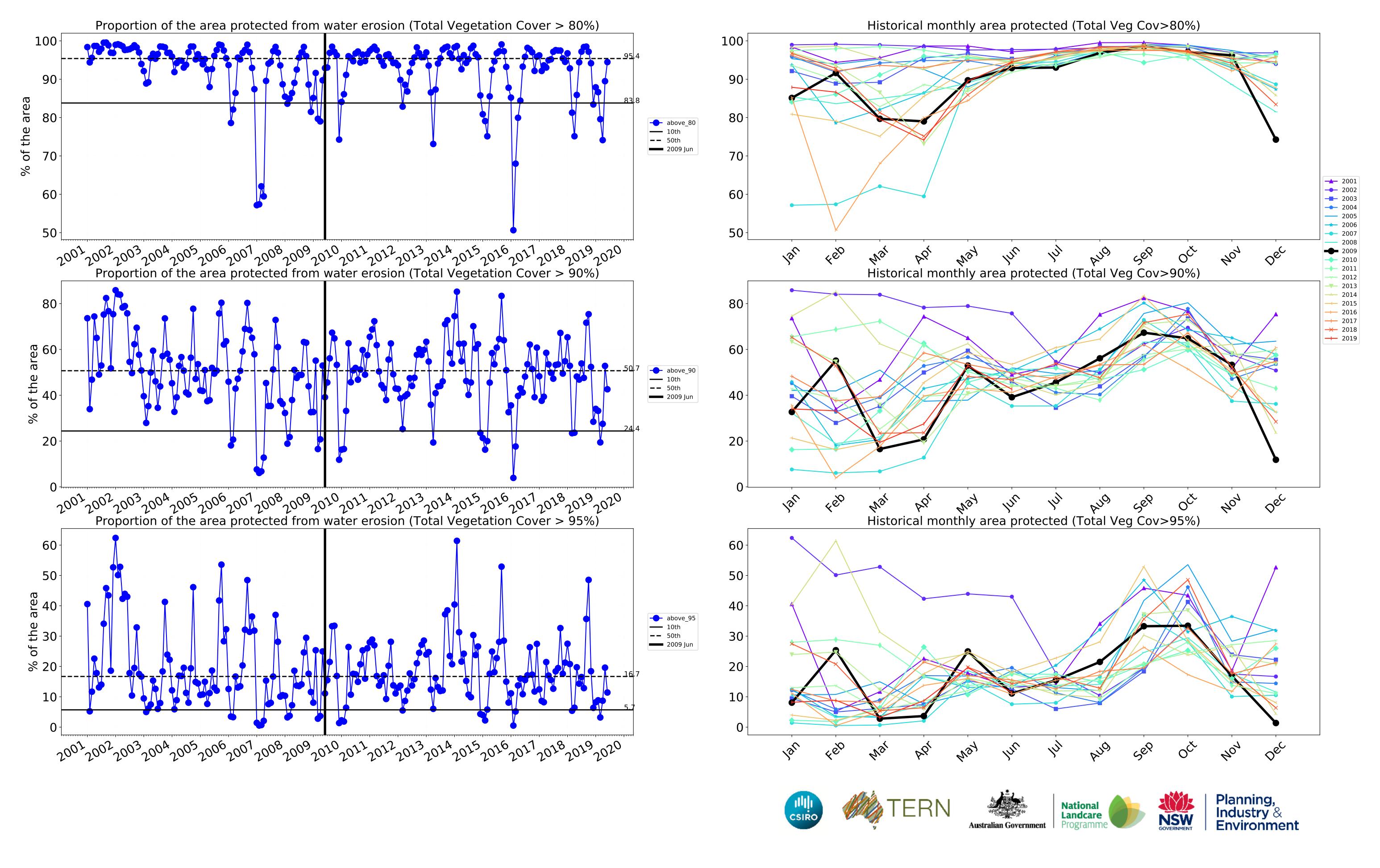




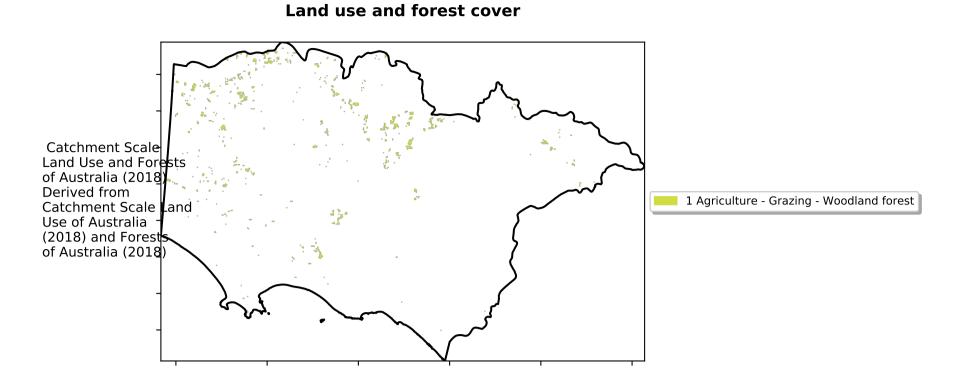
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



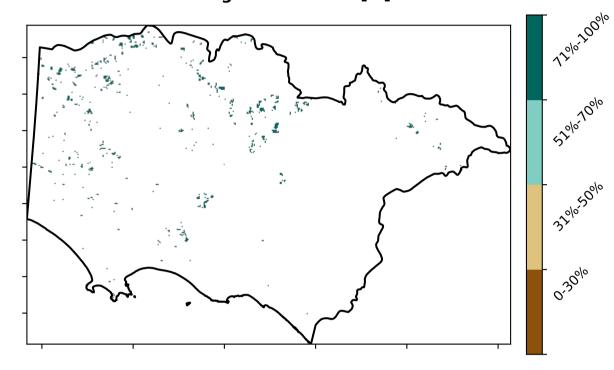
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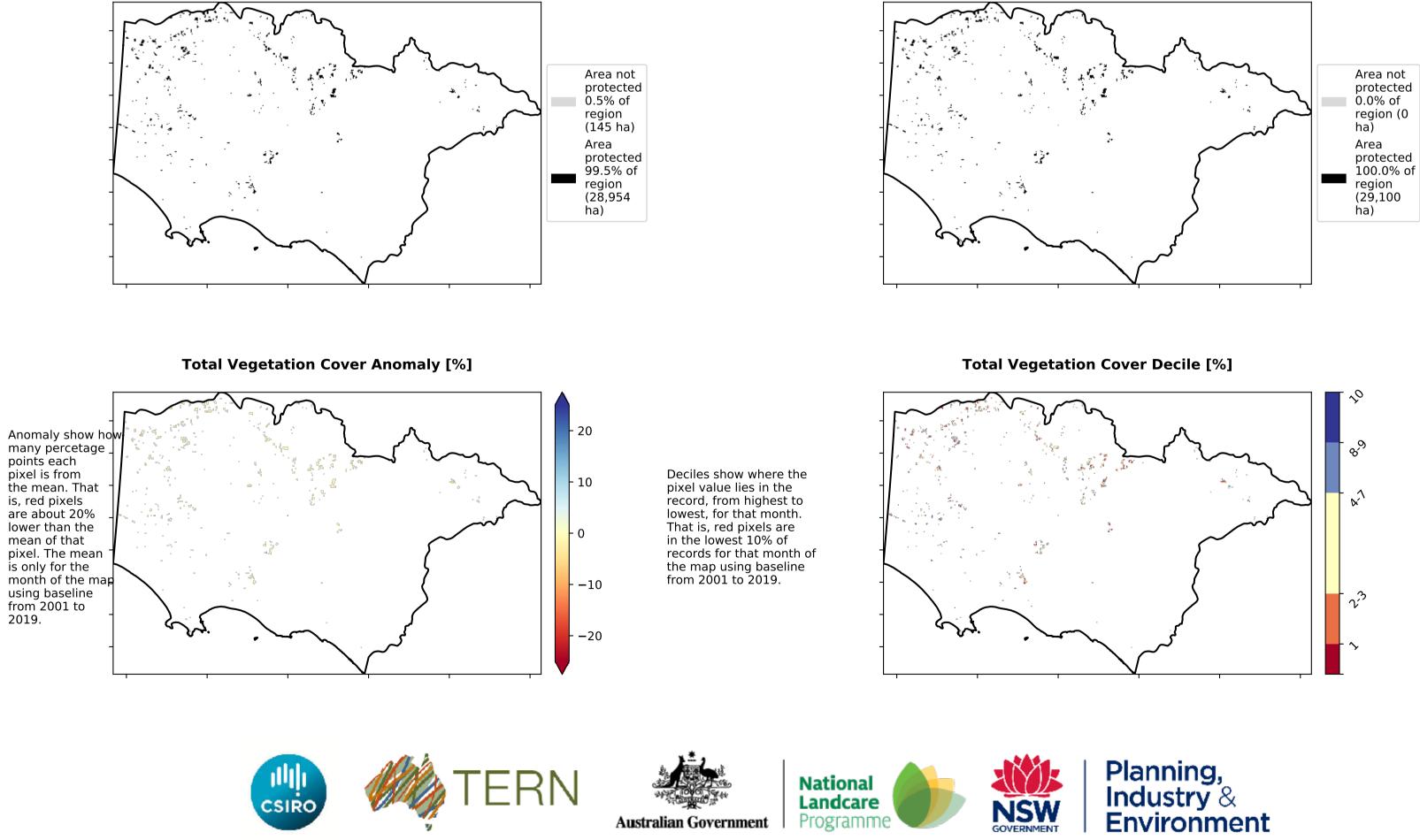
# **Grazing Woodland forest**



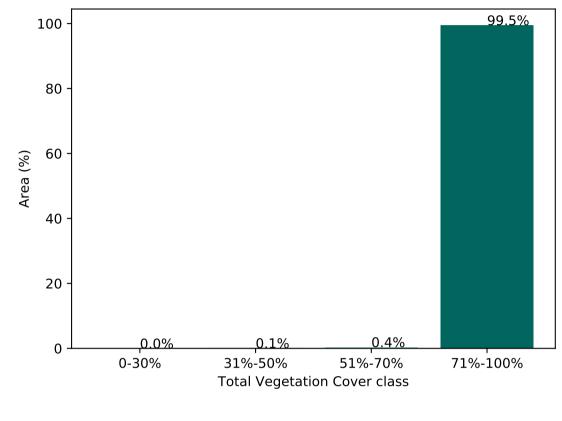
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



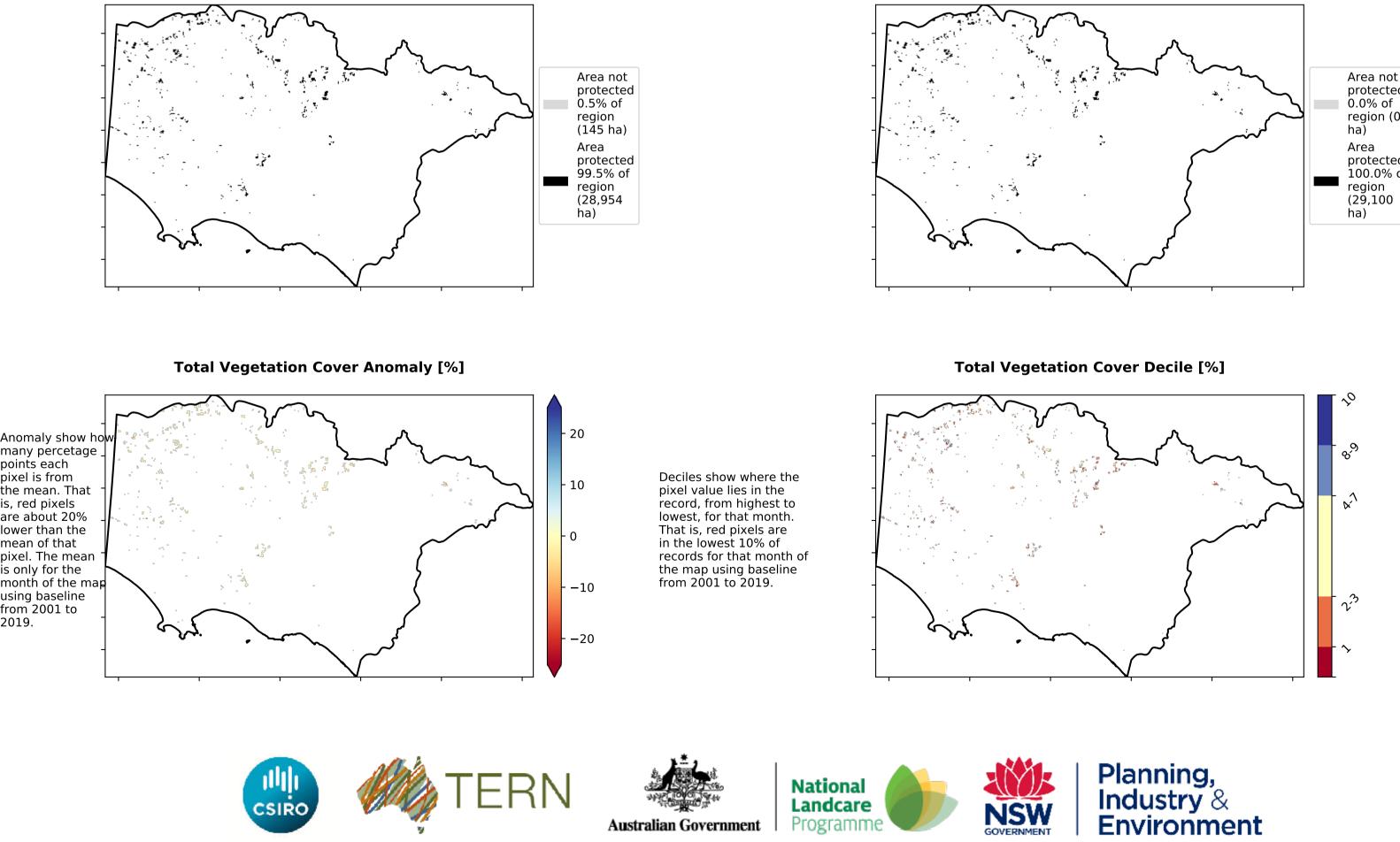
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



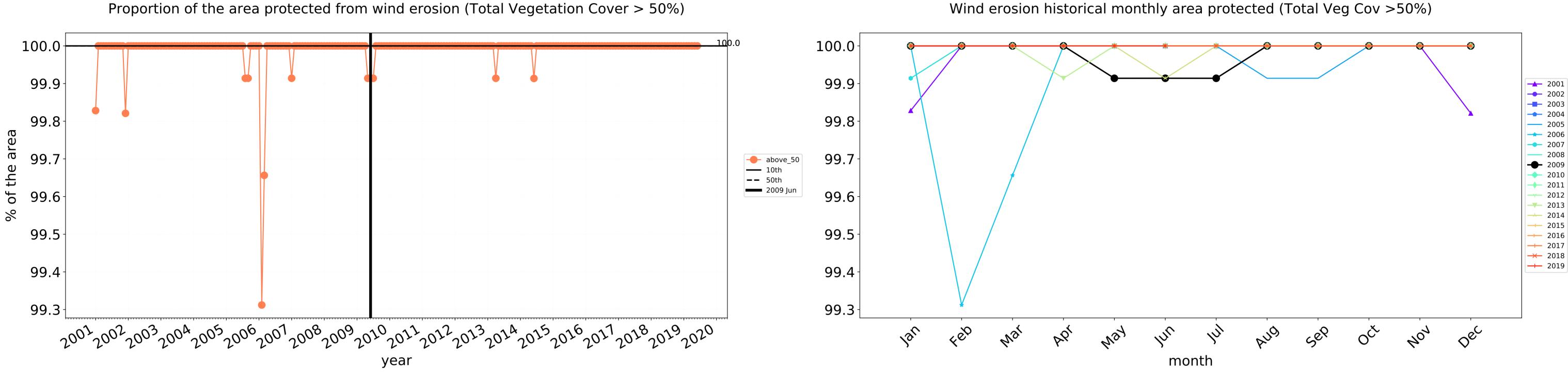
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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

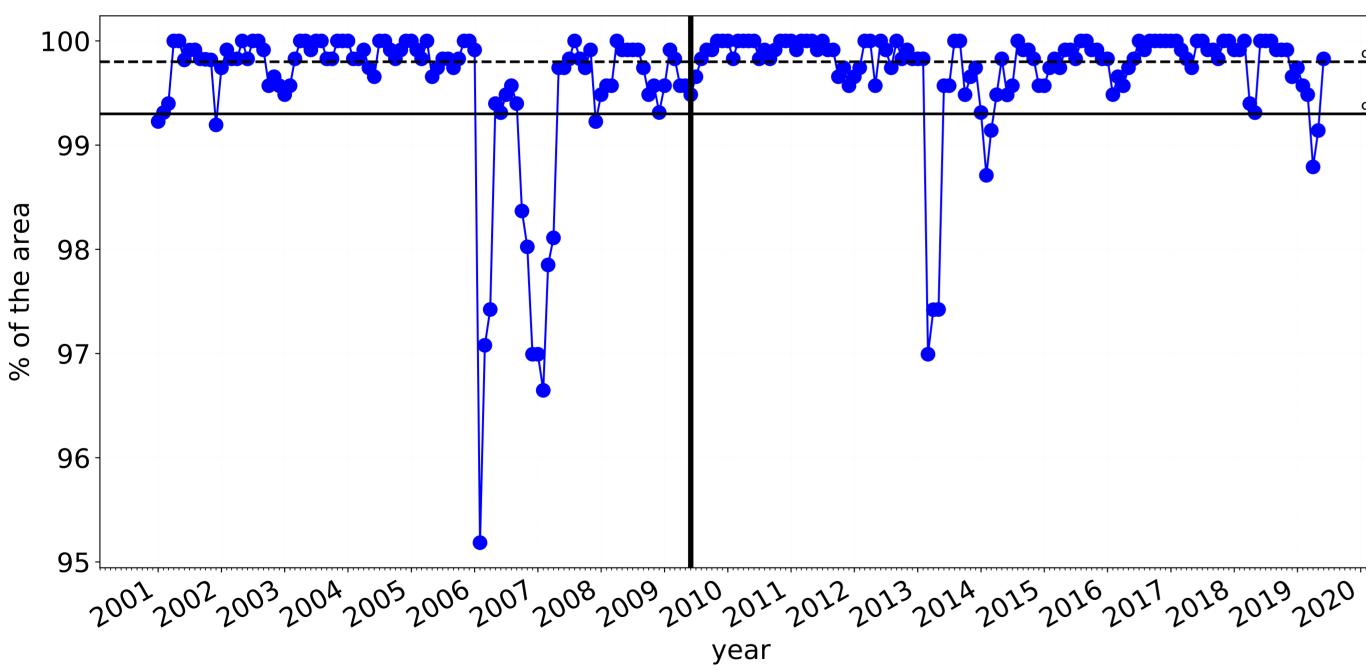


# Grazing Woodland forest timeseries



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

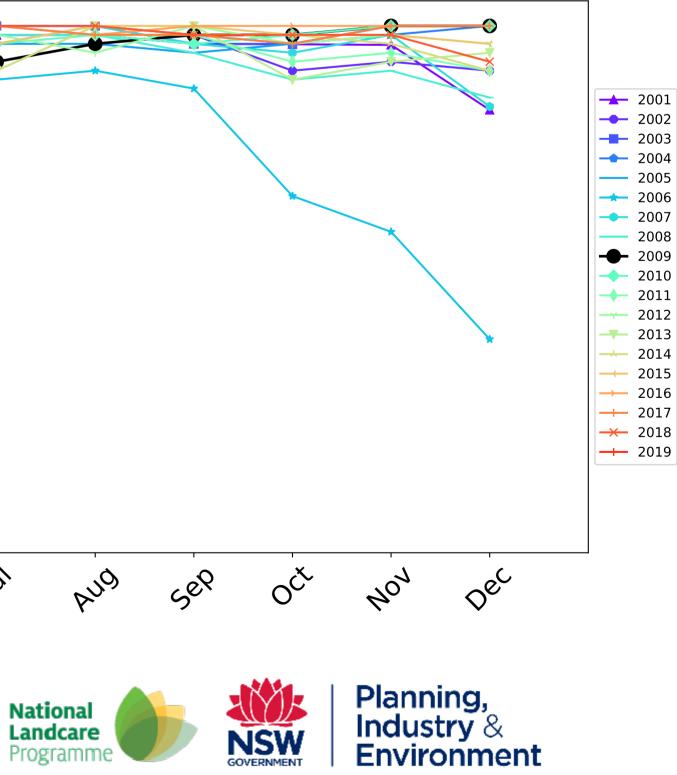
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

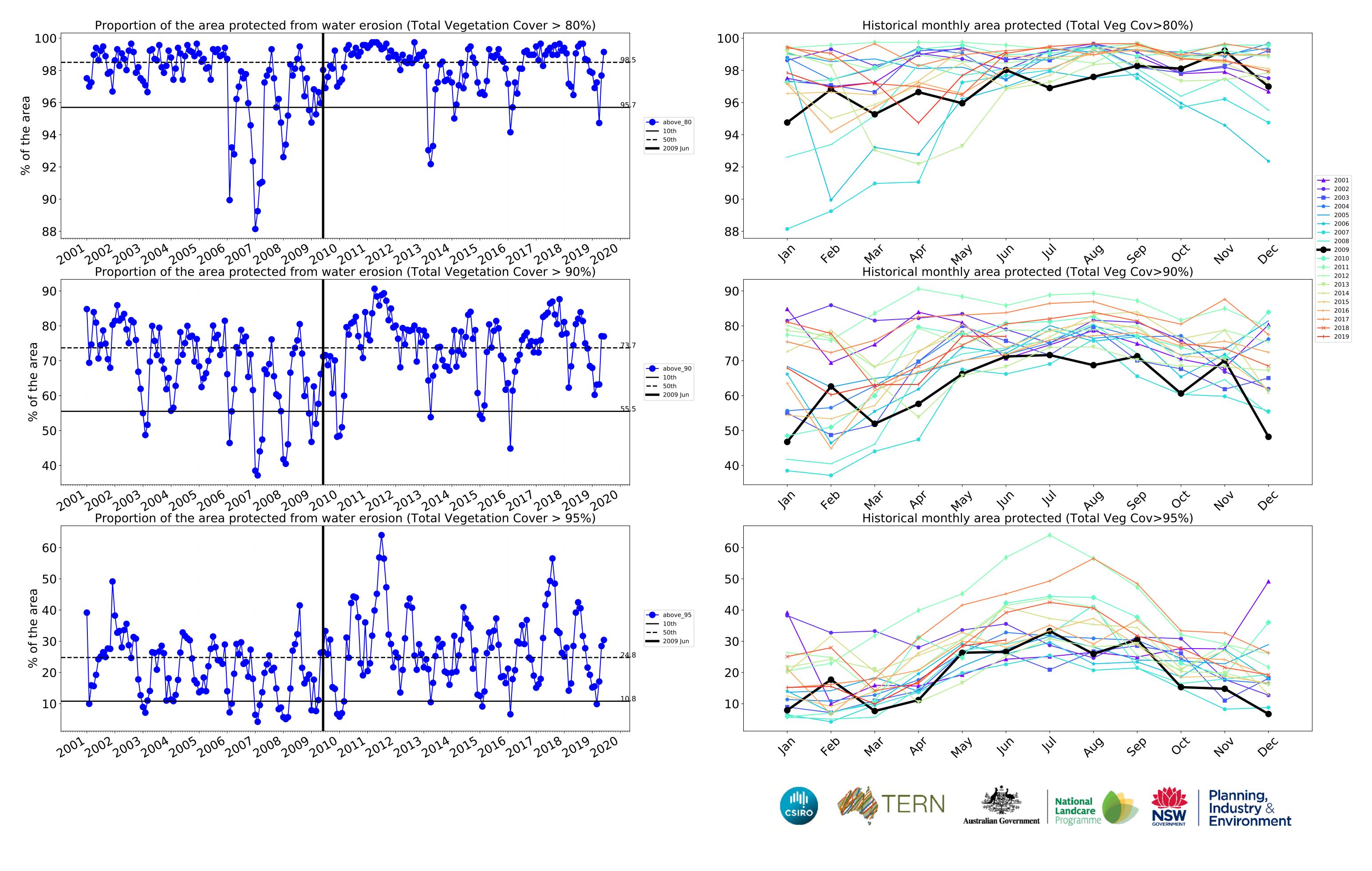


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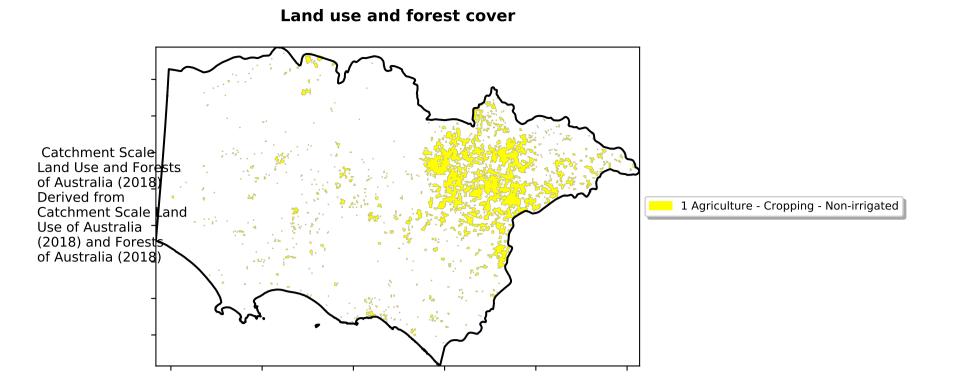
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



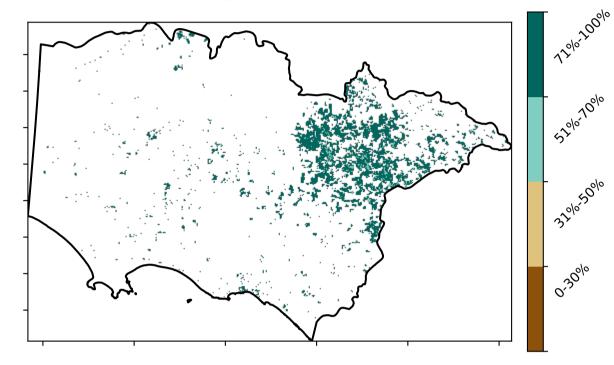


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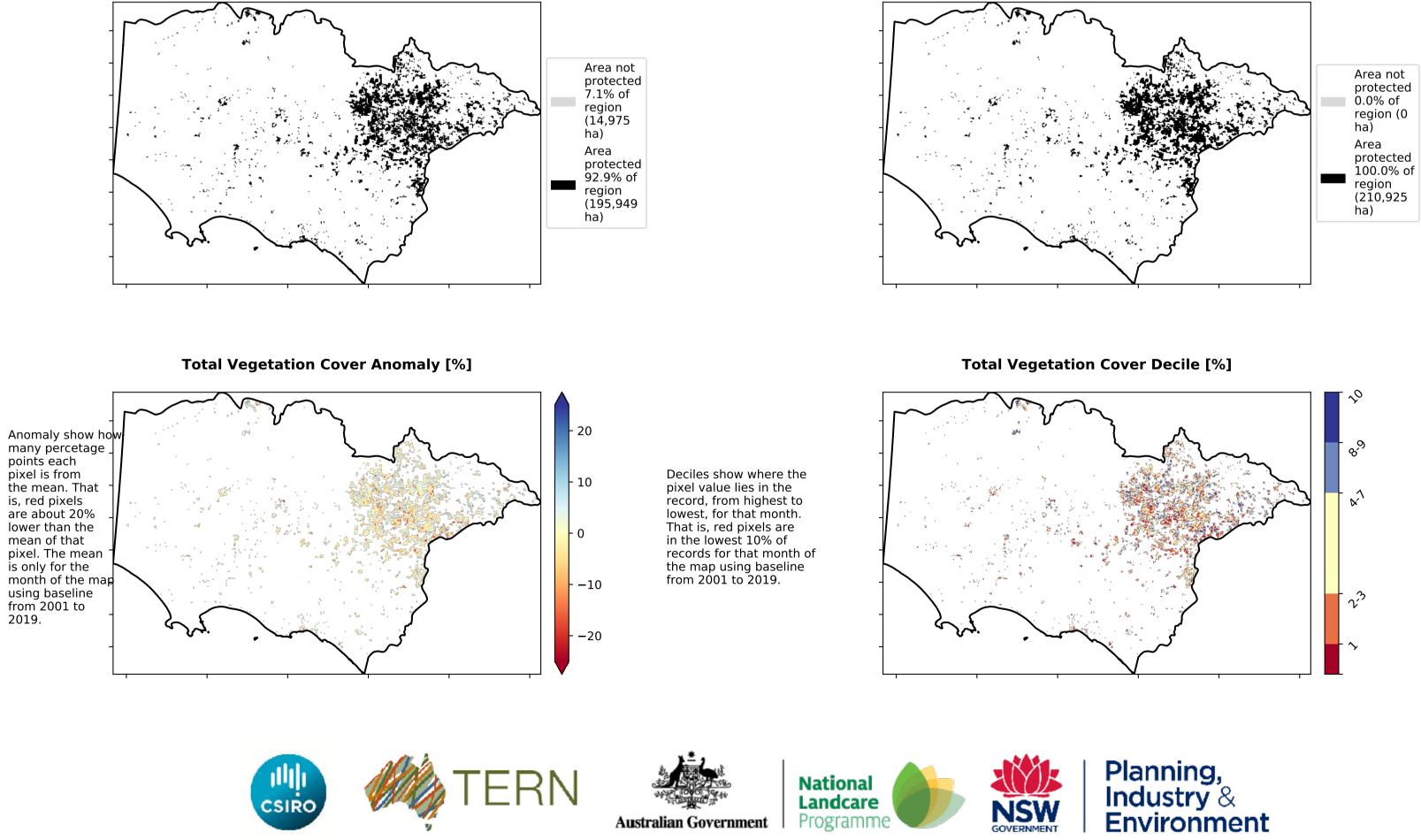
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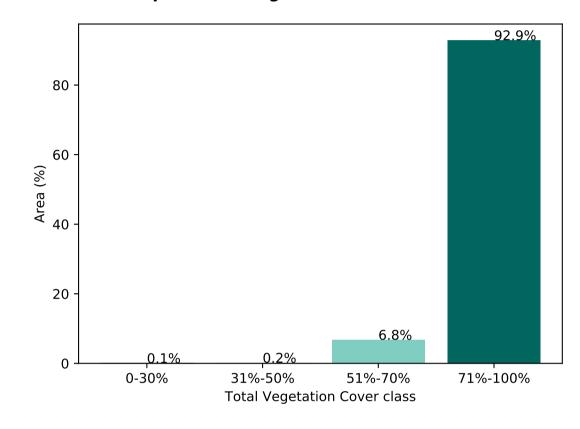
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



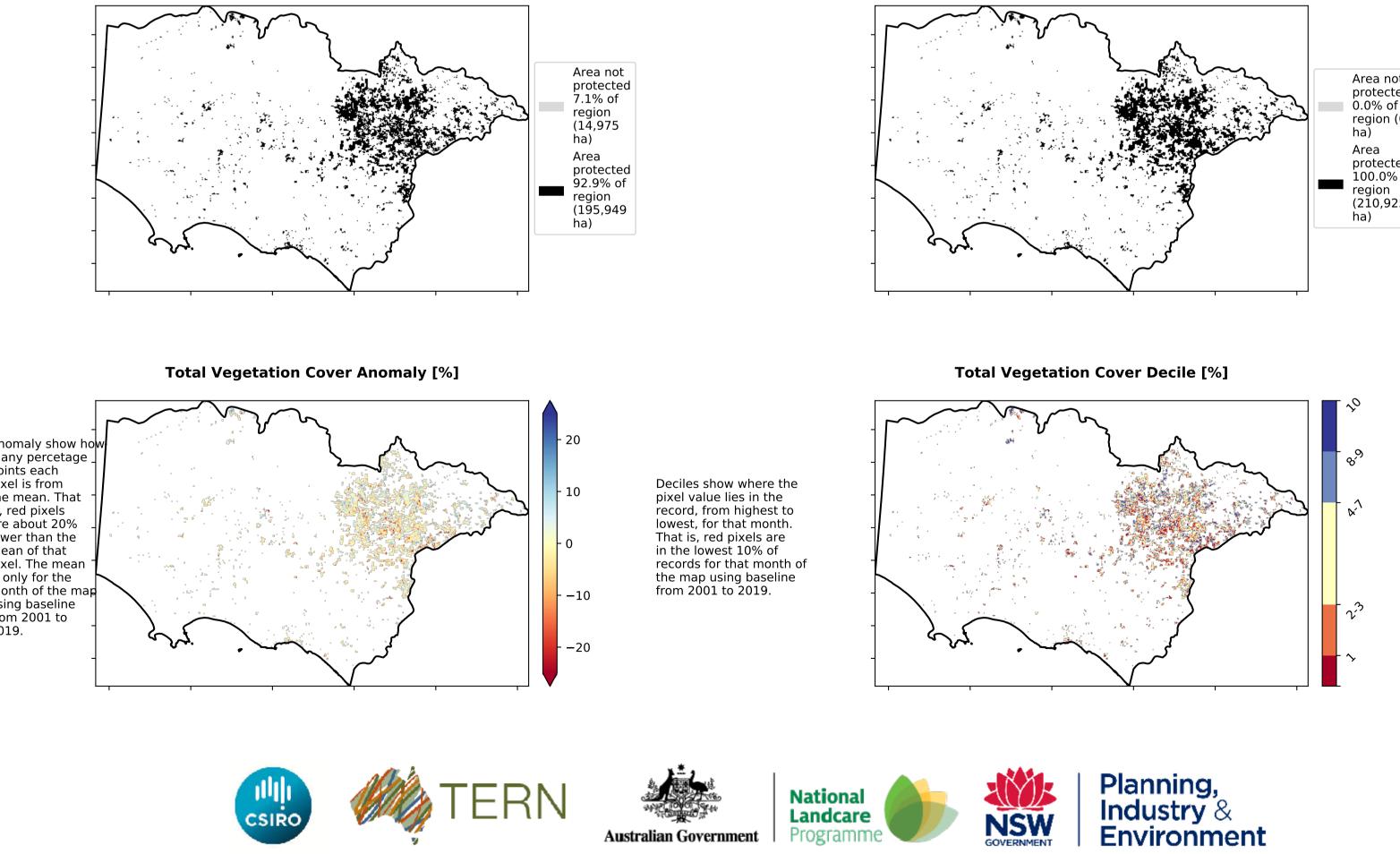
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

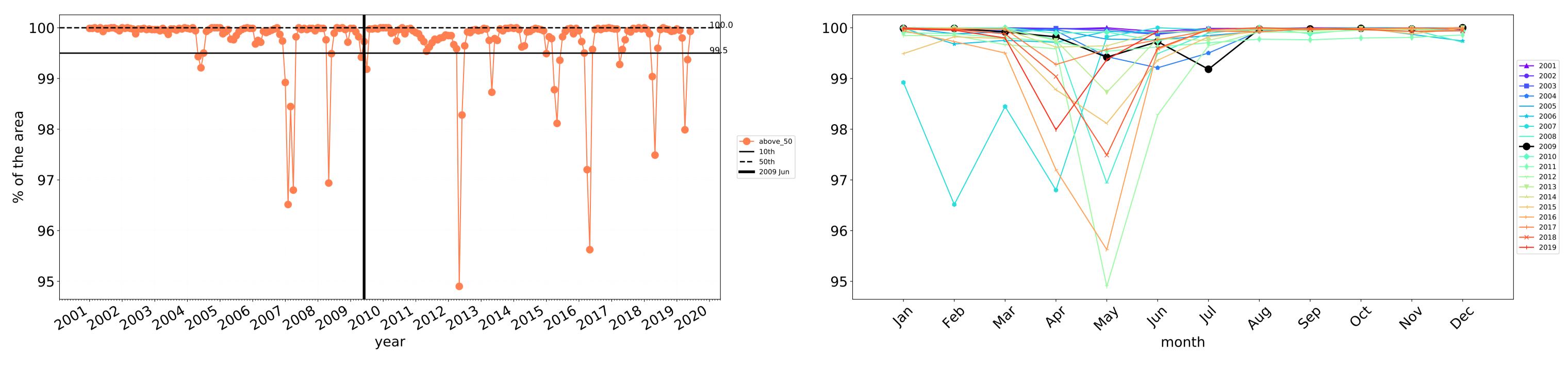


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



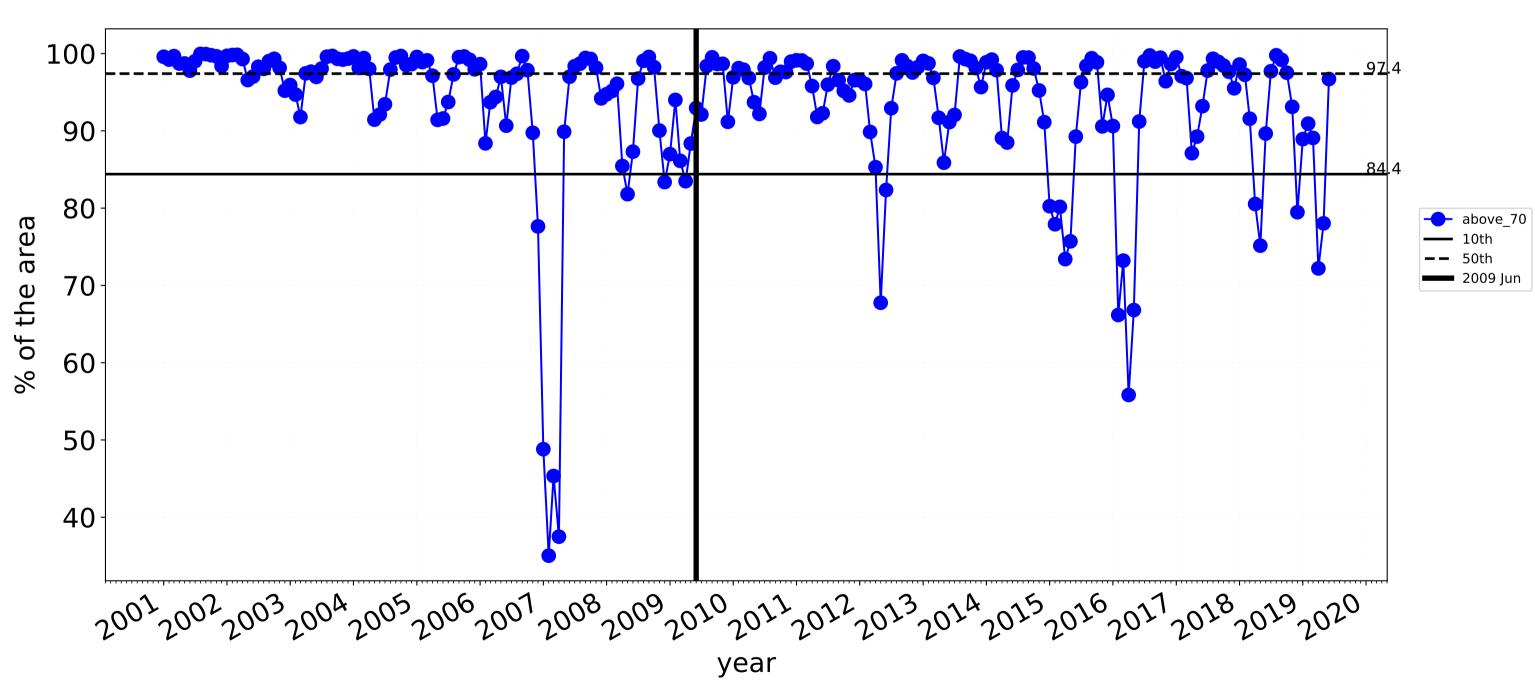
### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





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

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

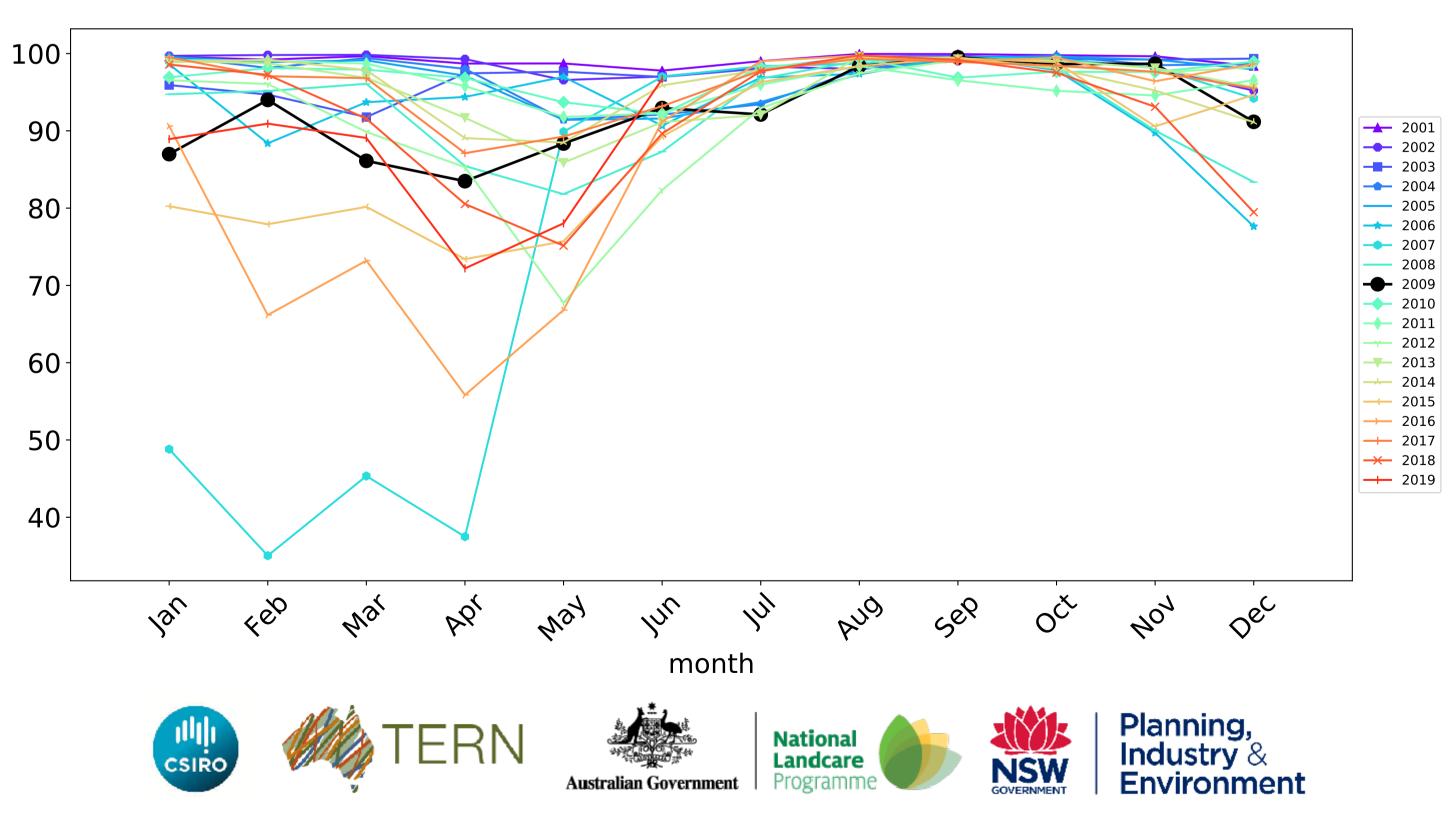


# **Cropping timeseries**

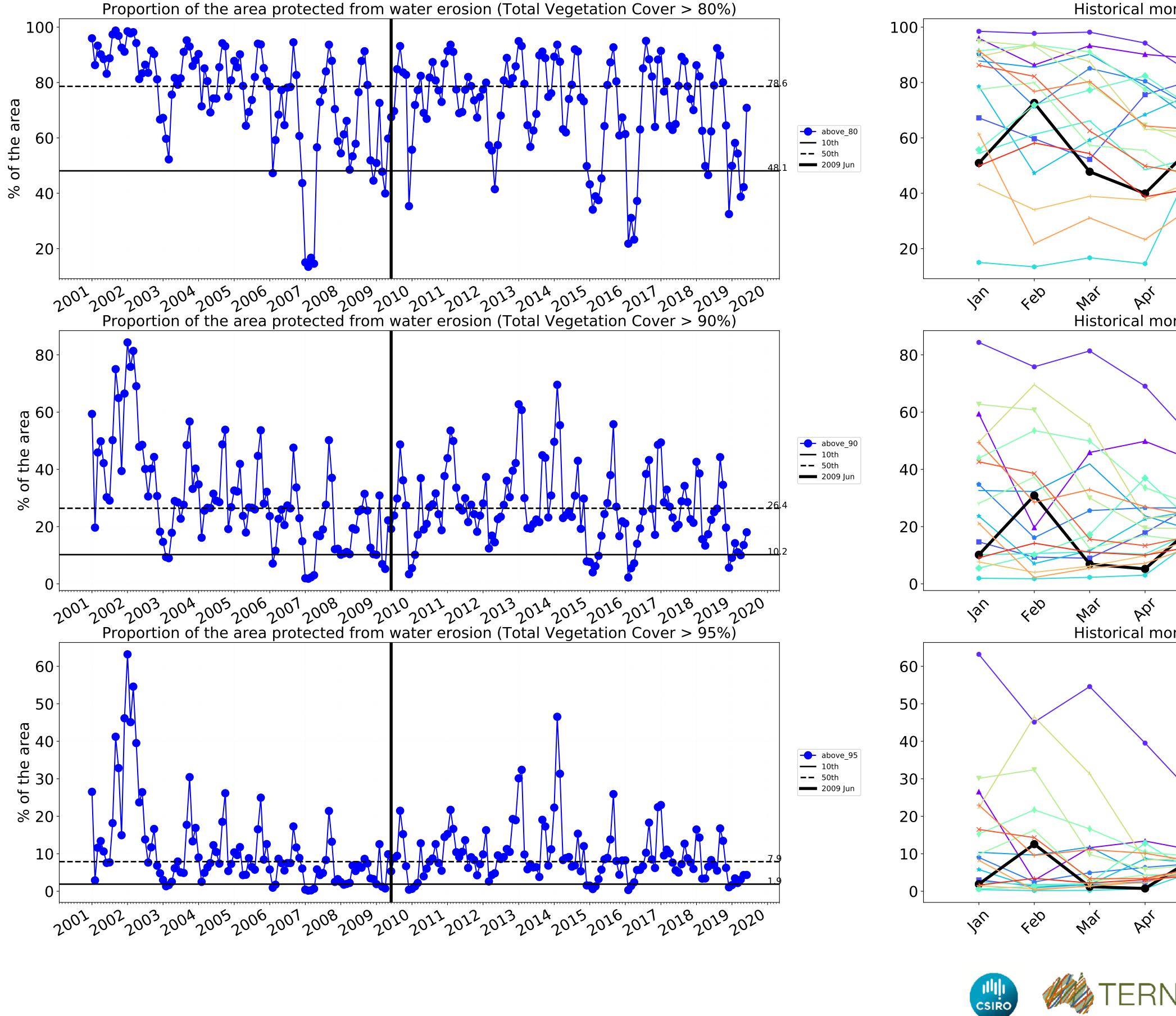


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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







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

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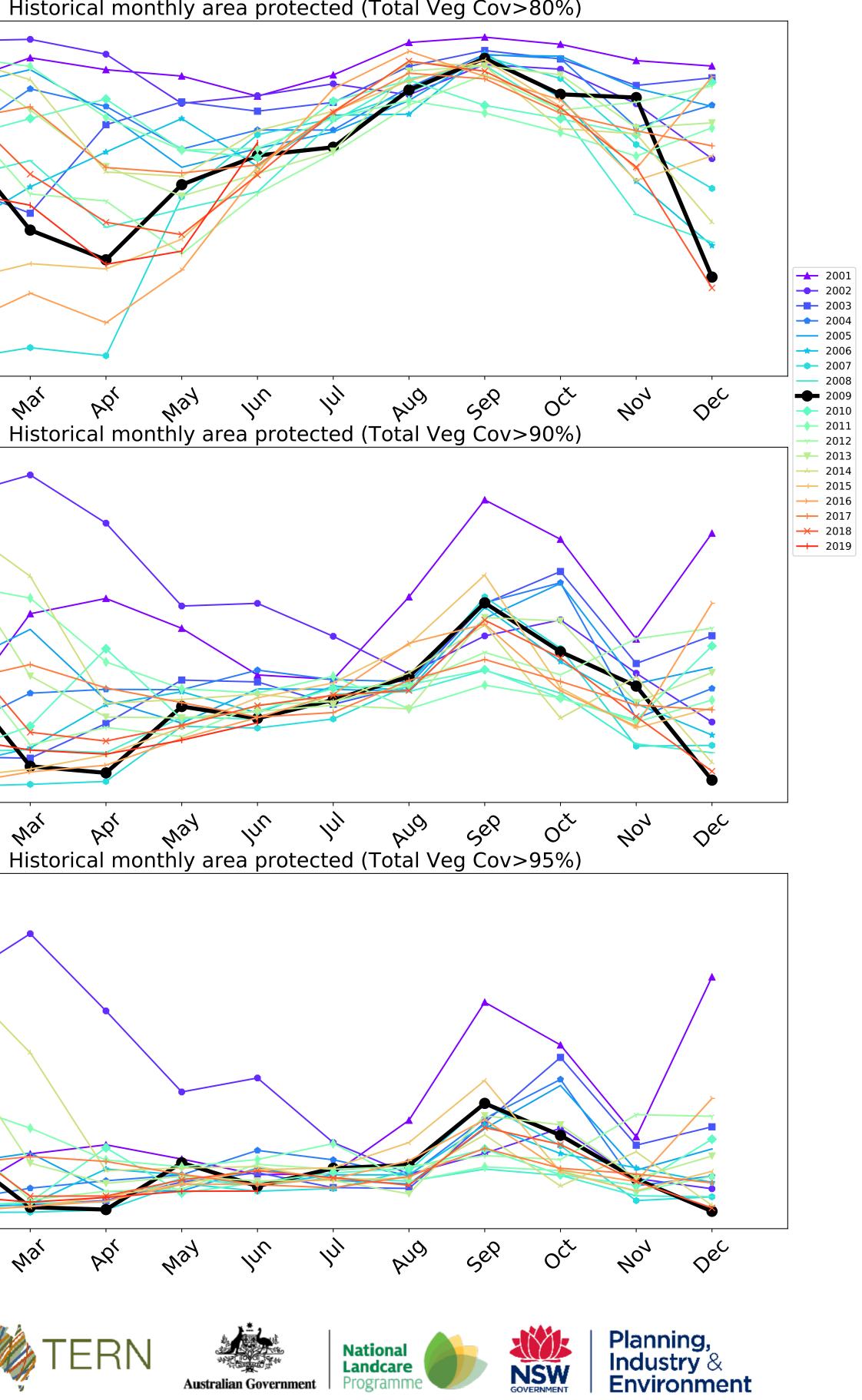
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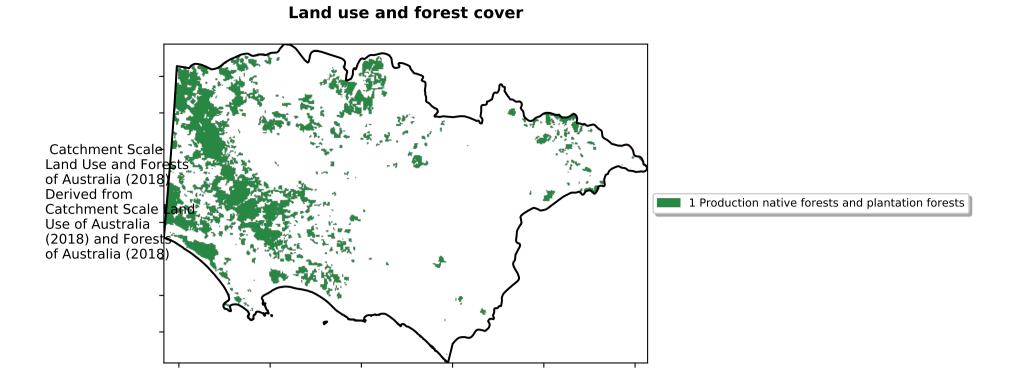
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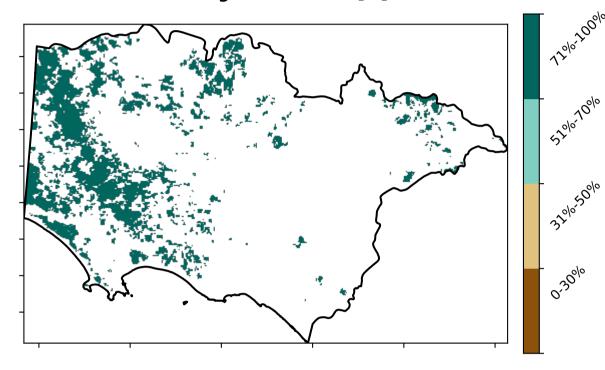
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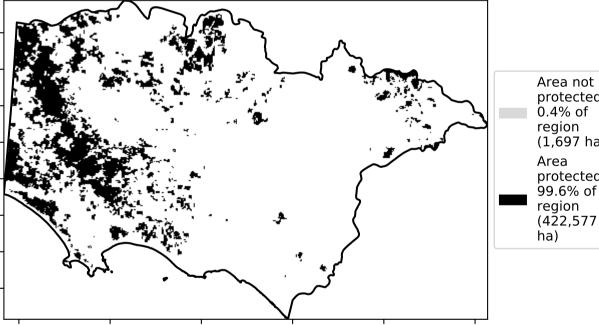
# **Production native forests and plantation forests**

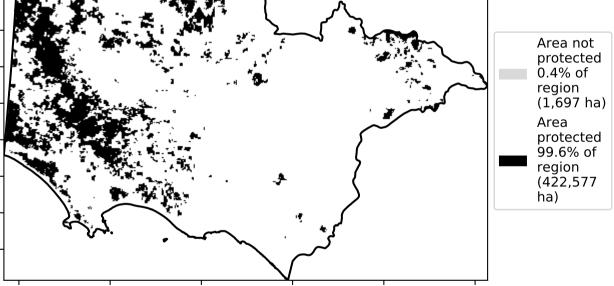


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

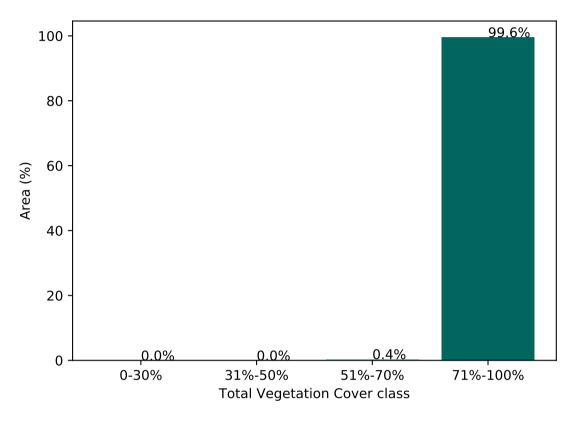


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

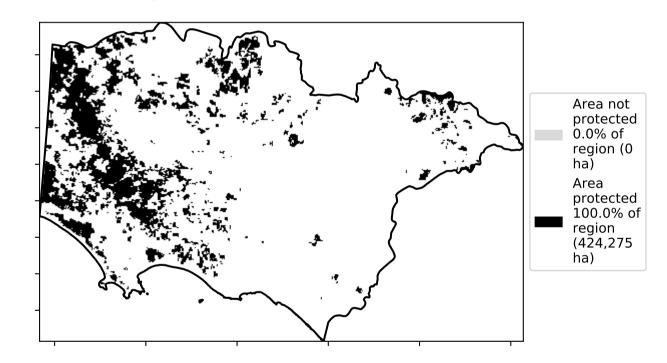




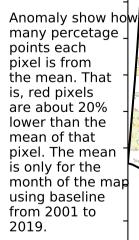


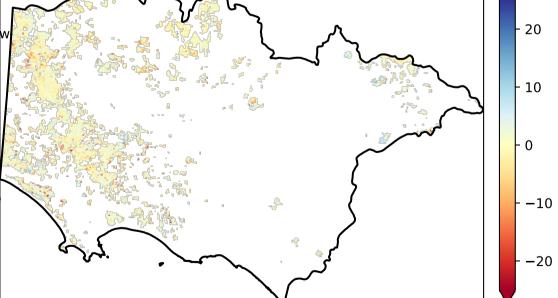


### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



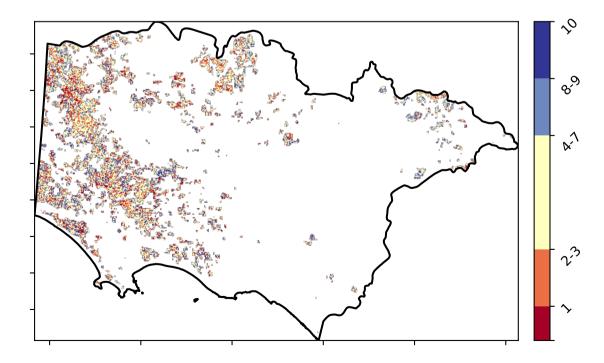
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 





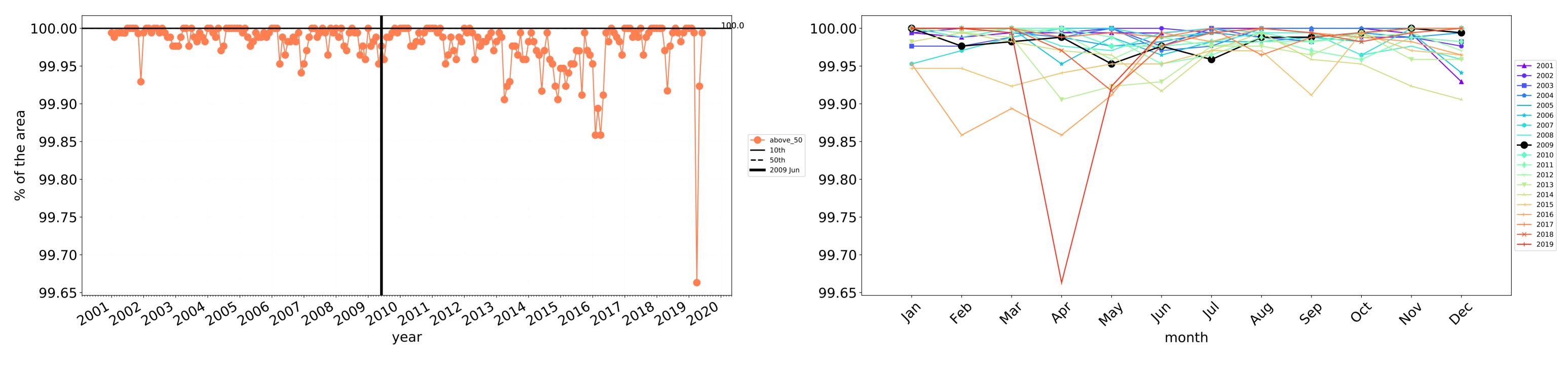
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



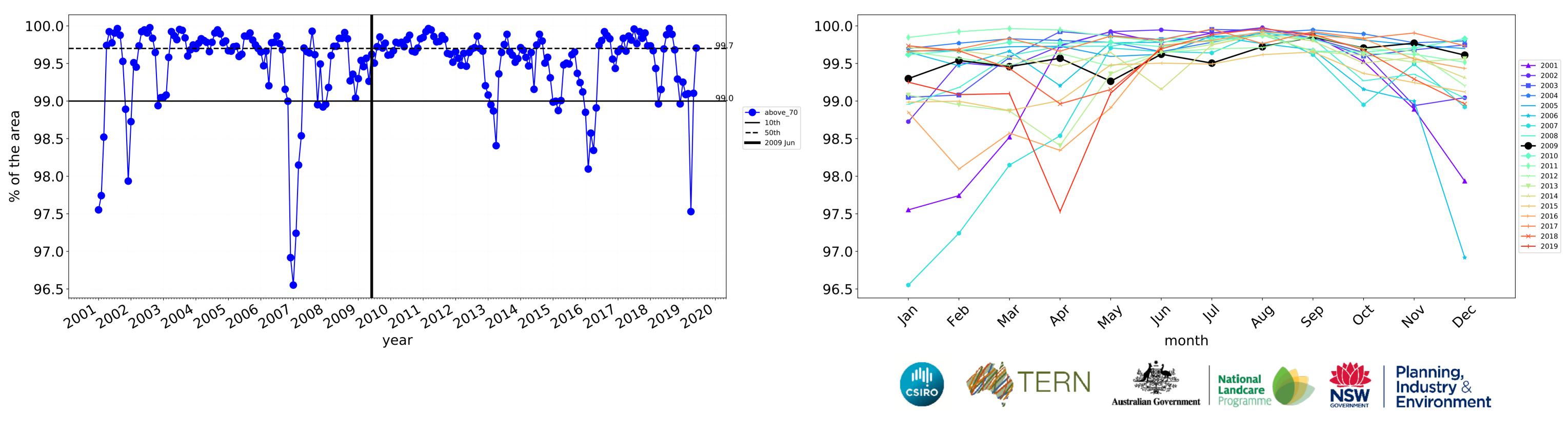


# Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries



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

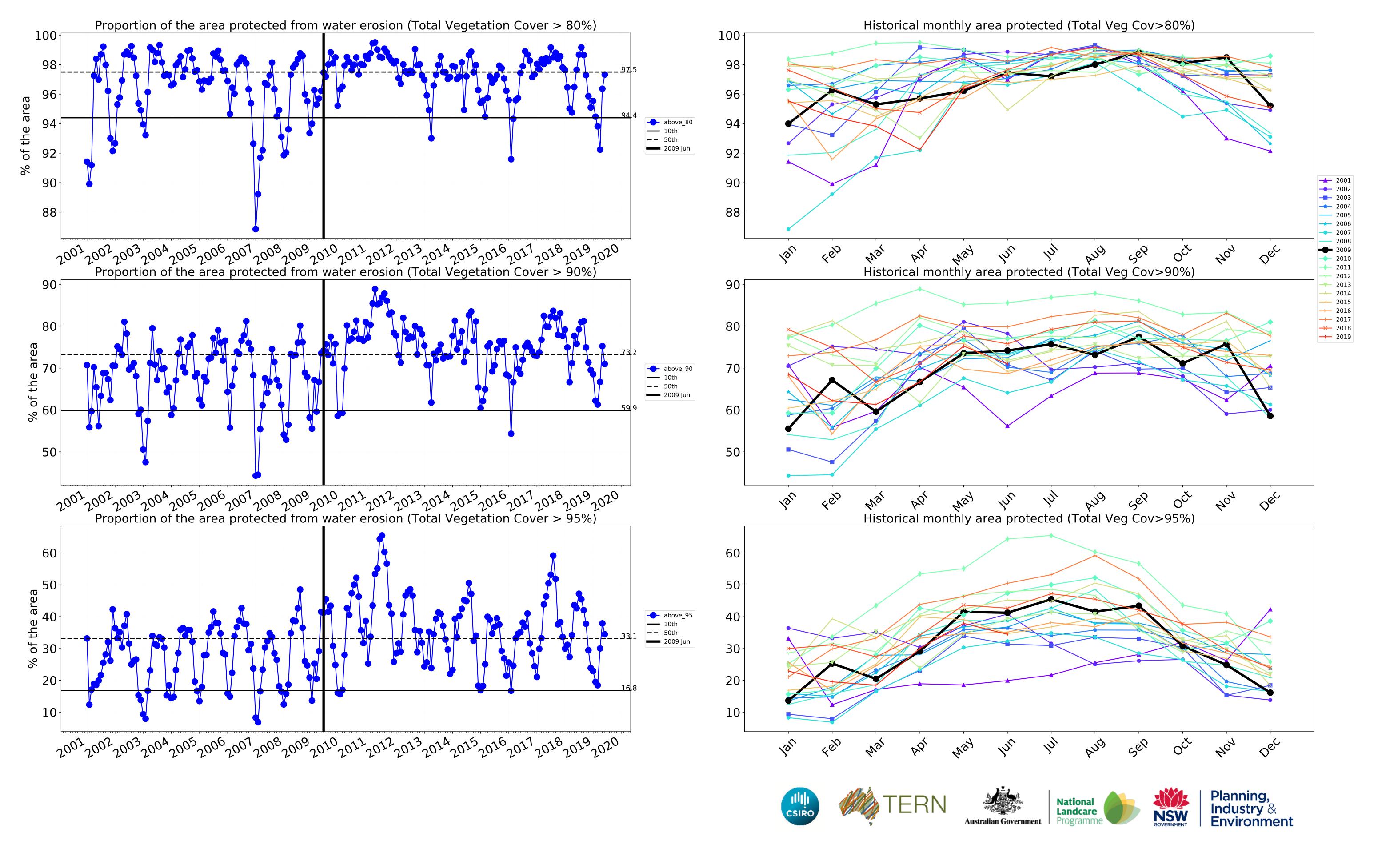
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)





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

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



# Glenelg Hopkins (2,657,500 ha and no data 15,681 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	2,657,500	100.0% 2,656,824	99.9% 2,654,398	98.4% 2,615,060	91.4% 2,430,220	46.1% 1,226,151	17.4% 462,961
Conservation and natural environments	254,650	99.8% 254,250	99.5% 253,425	97.9% 249,225	93.0% 236,925	64.0% 162,975	26.9% 68,525
Conservation and natural environments non forest	28,700	99.5% 28,550	97.3% 27,925	89.9% 25,800	75.6% 21,700	36.9% 10,600	18.1% 5,200
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	153,075	100.0% 153,000	99.8% 152,800	98.8% 151,175	95.5% 146,175	65.9% 100,875	23.0% 35,250
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	72,875	99.8% 72,700	99.8% 72,700	99.1% 72,250	94.8% 69,050	70.7% 51,500	38.5% 28,075
Agriculture	1,904,125	100.0% 1,904,025	99.9% 1,903,000	98.4% 1,872,925	90.2% 1,717,325	37.7% 718,175	11.0% 209,100
Grazing	1,691,550	100.0% 1,691,500	100.0% 1,691,000	99.0% 1,675,325	93.0% 1,573,850	40.0% 677,300	11.7% 197,750
Grazing non forest	1,642,850	100.0% 1,642,800	100.0% 1,642,325	99.0% 1,626,825	92.9% 1,526,400	39.1% 643,025	11.1% 182,425
Grazing Woodland forest	29,100	100.0% 29,100	99.9% 29,075	99.5% 28,950	98.0% 28,525	71.2% 20,725	26.6% 7,750
Cropping	210,925	100.0% 210,875	99.7% 210,350	92.9% 196,050	67.5% 142,325	19.2% 40,425	5.3% 11,250
Production native forests and plantation forests	424,275	100.0% 424,275	100.0% 424,175	99.6% 422,675	97.5% 413,525	74.2% 314,775	41.2% 174,850

