# **Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Goulburn Broken VIC**

# Date: August 2006

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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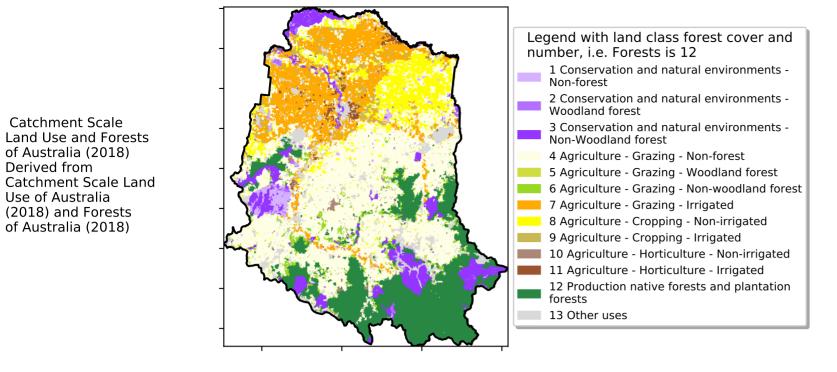
# **Vegetation Cover Aug 2006**

#### Land use and forest cover

Derived from

Use of Australia

#### Proportion of each land class in area



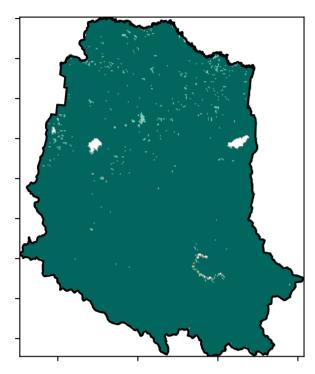
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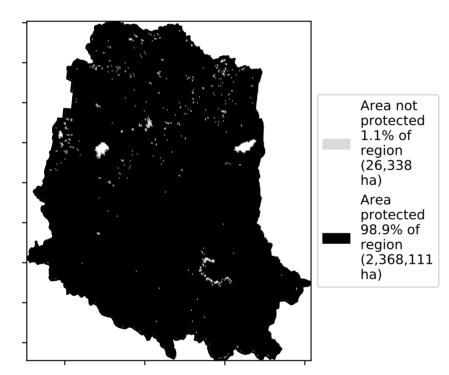
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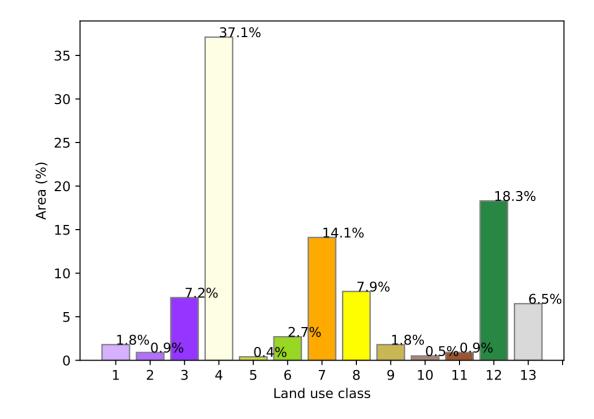
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#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

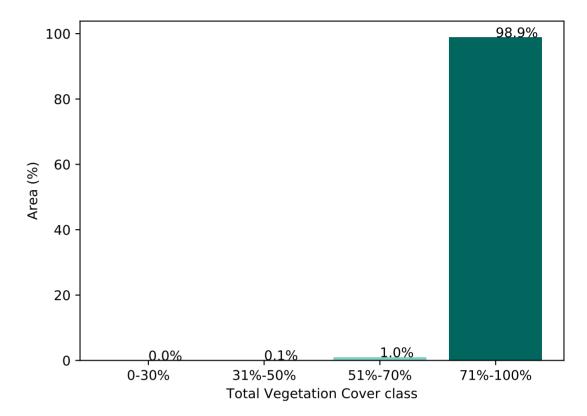


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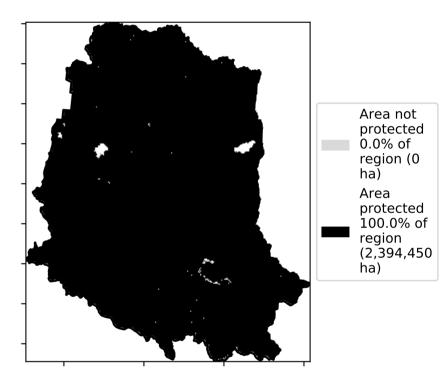




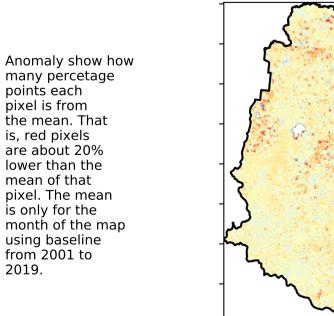
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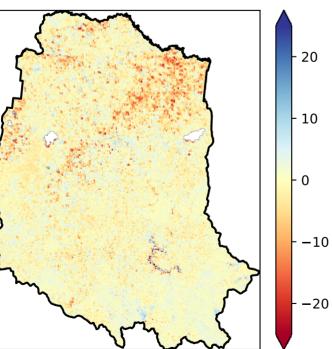
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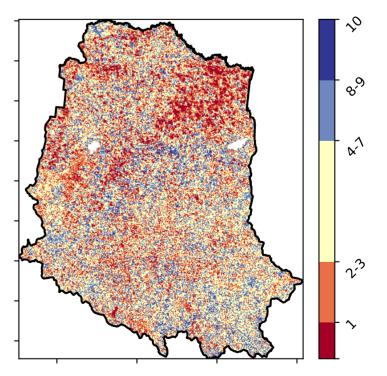


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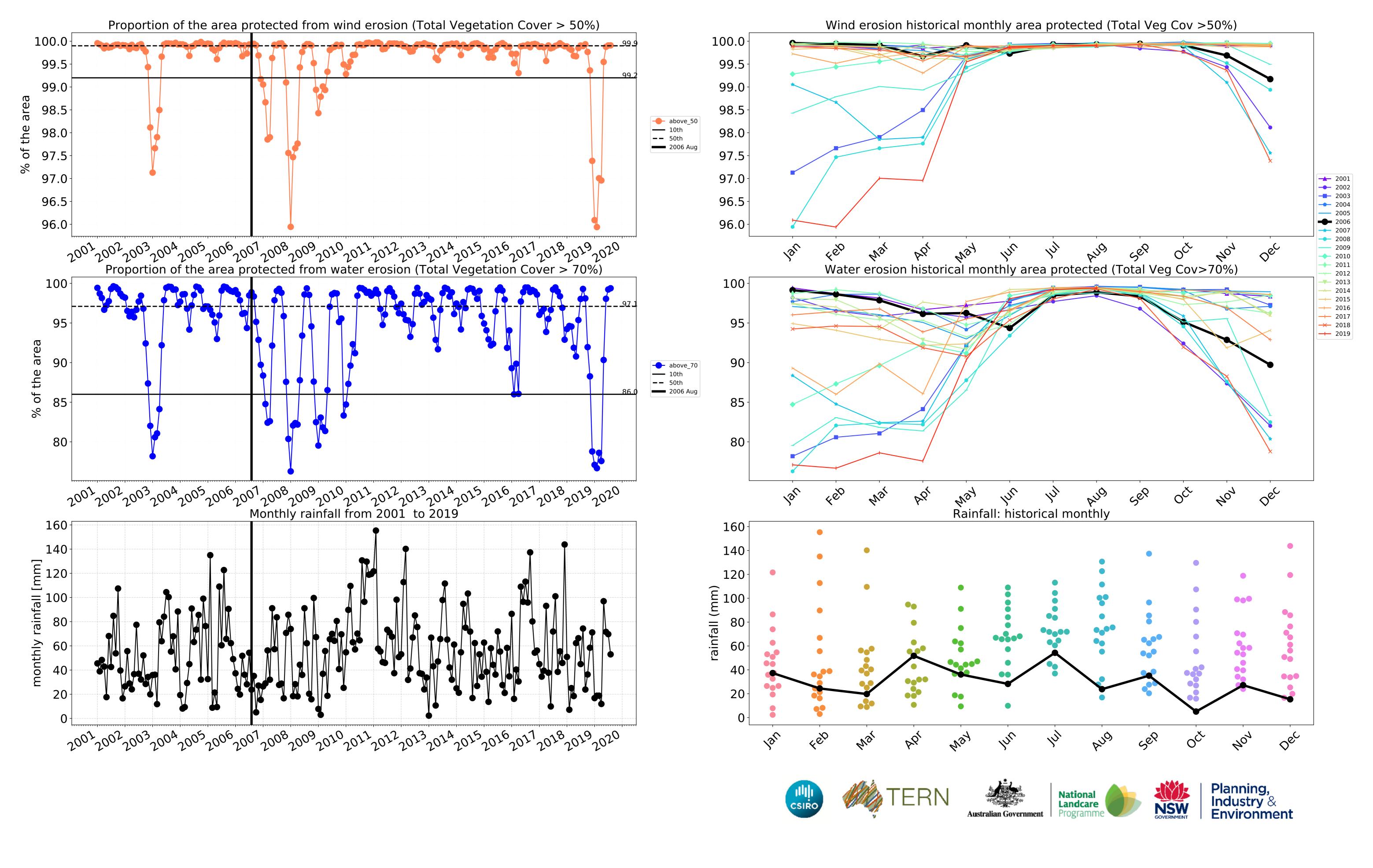
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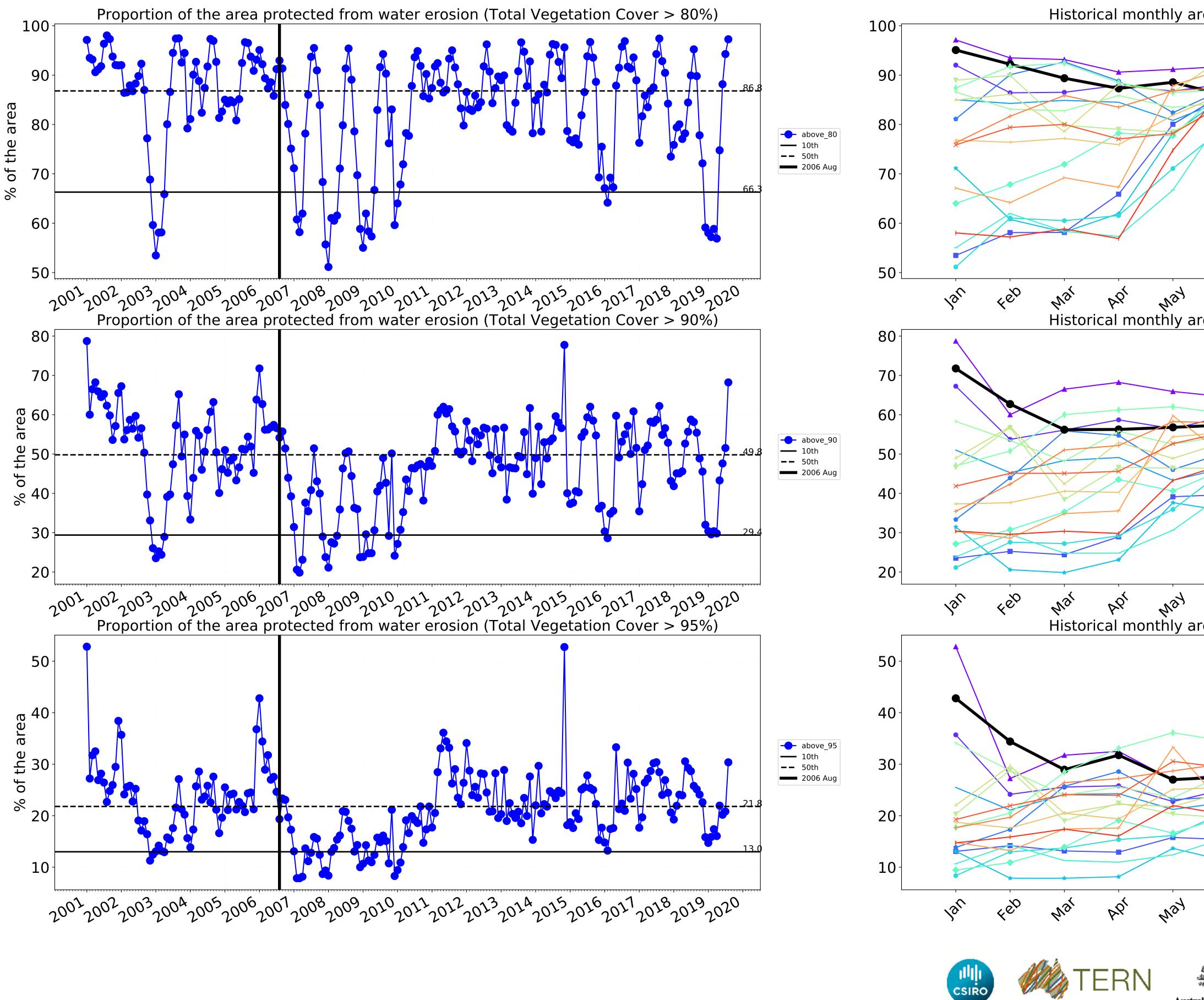
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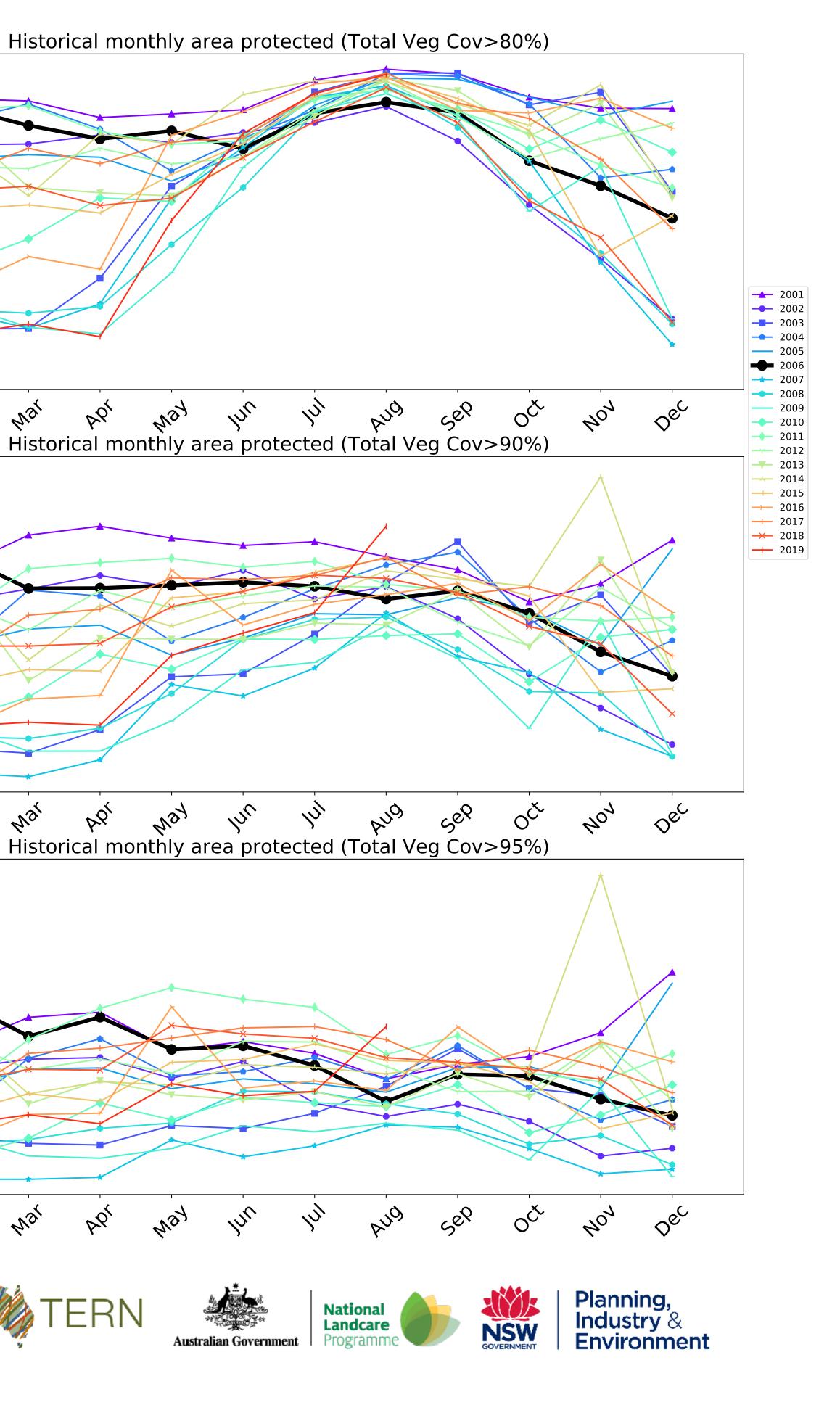
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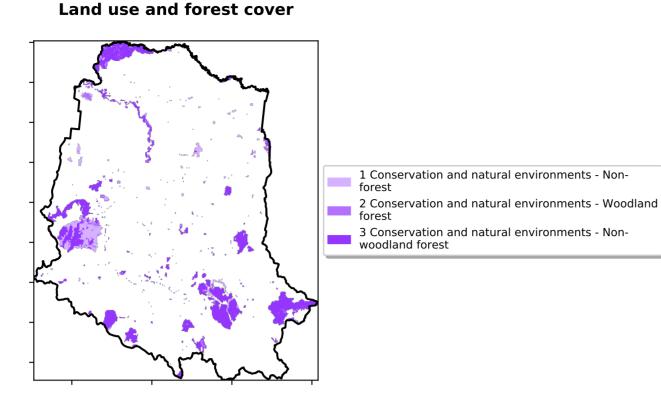
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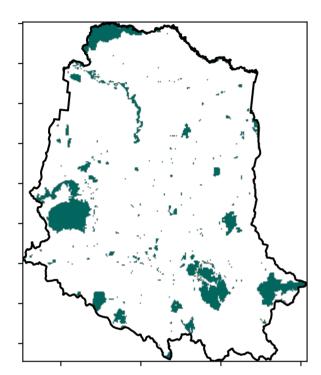


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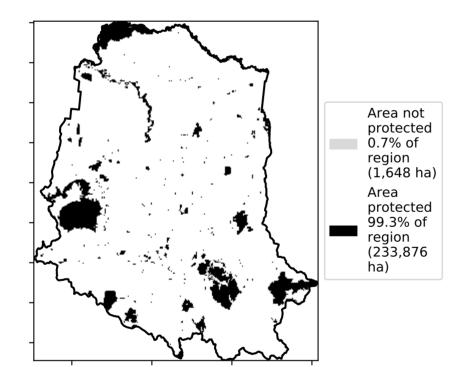
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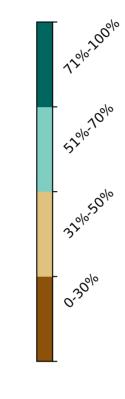


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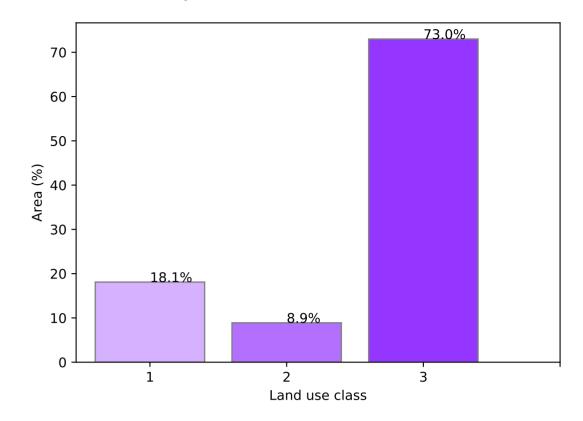


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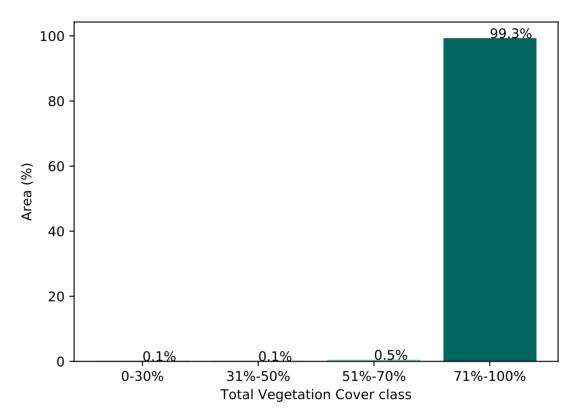




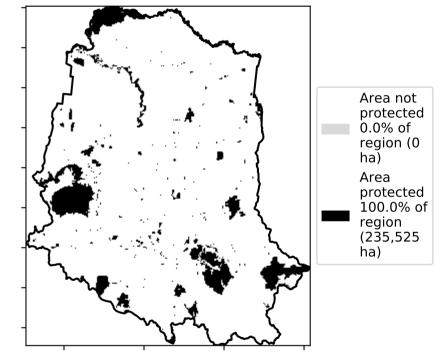
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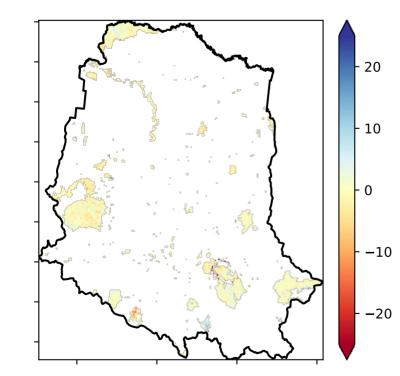
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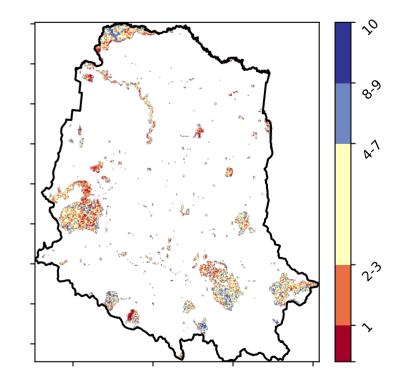
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





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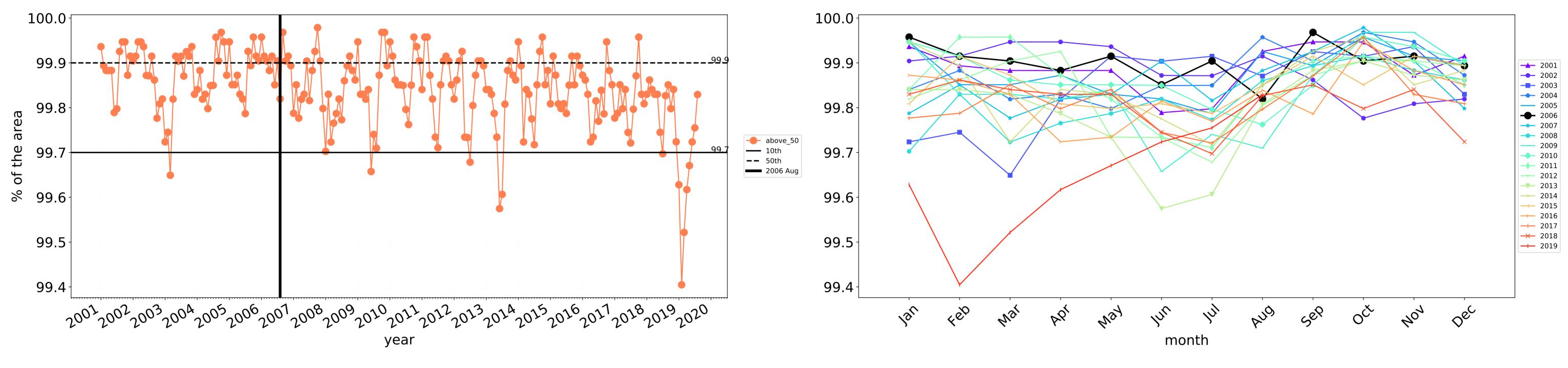
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# **Conservation and natural environments timeseries**



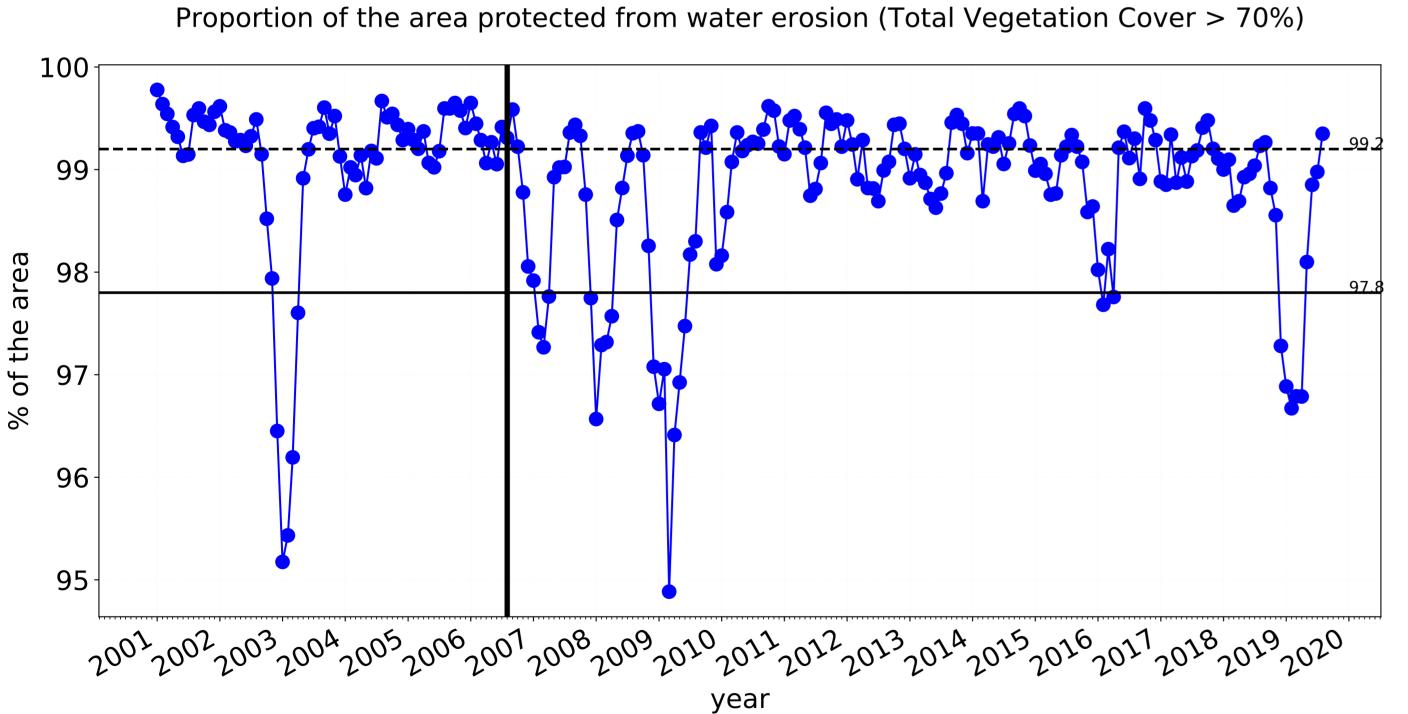
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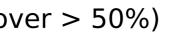
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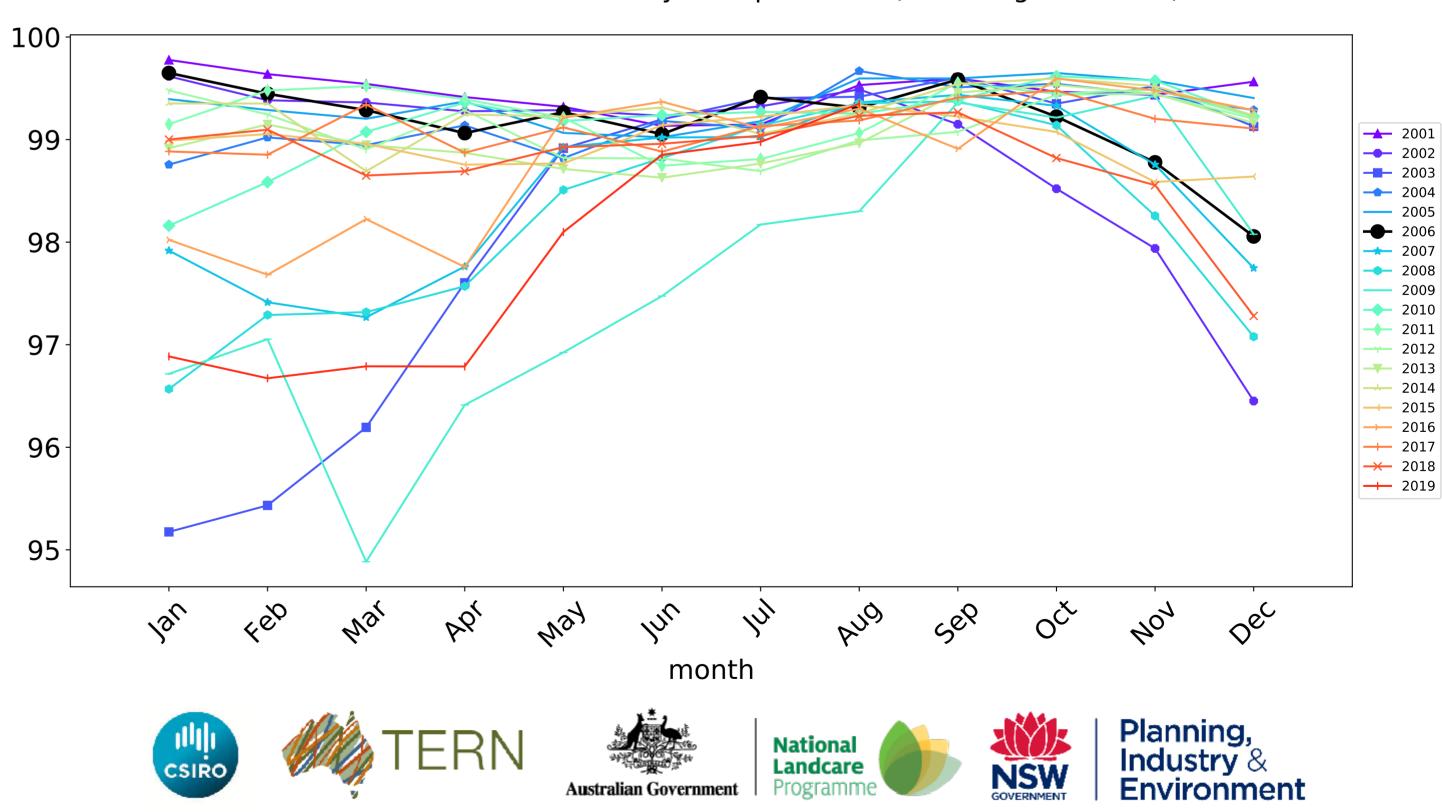
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

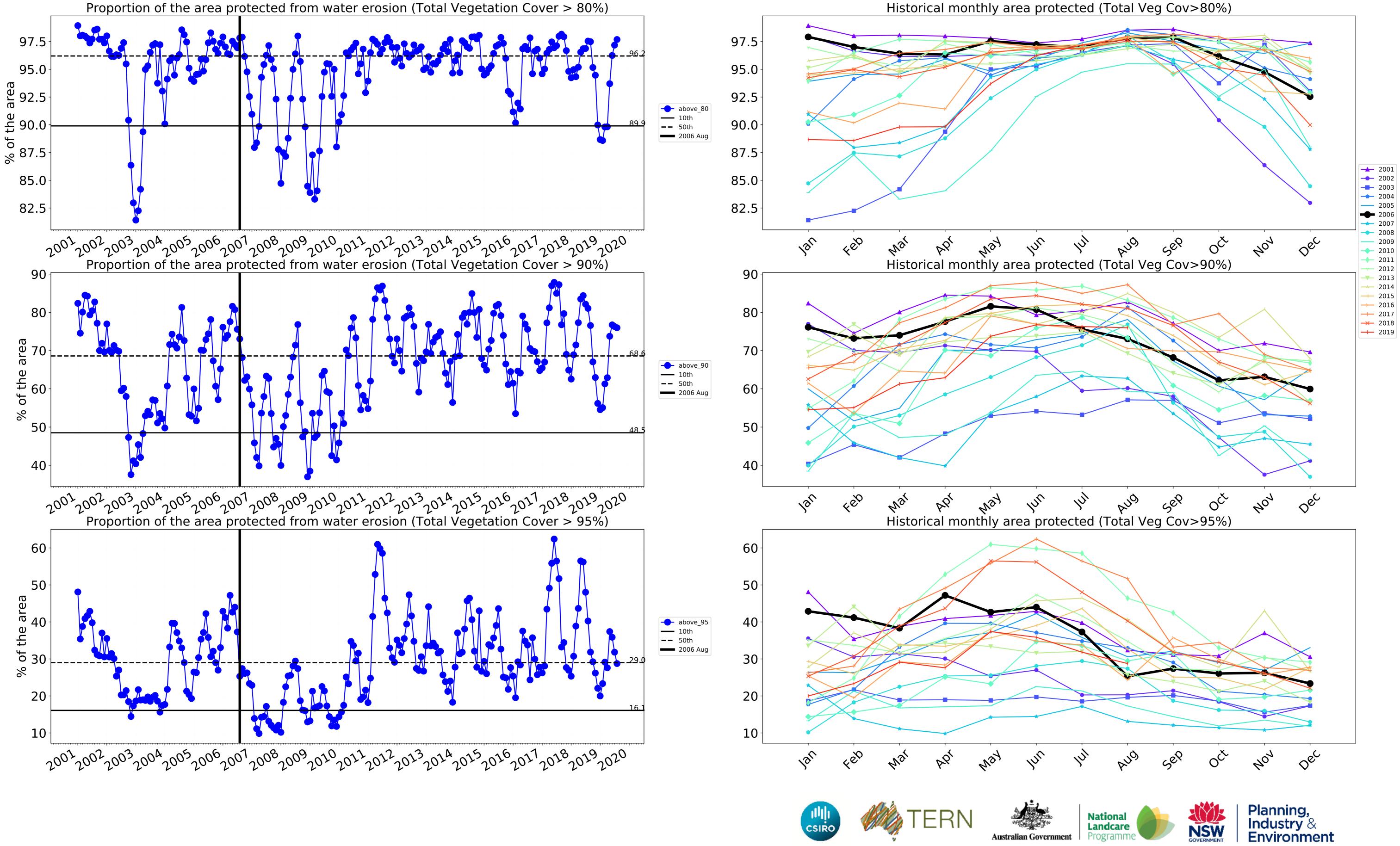


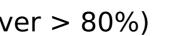


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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

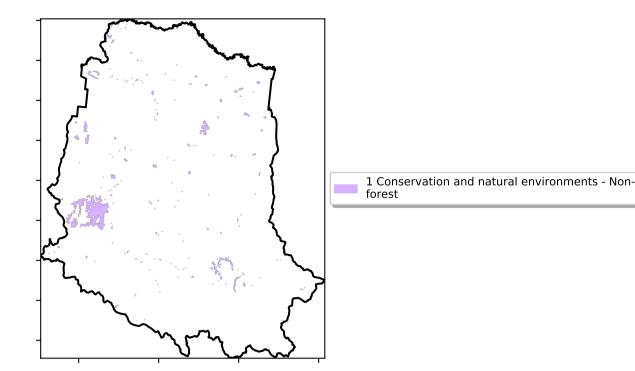




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### **Conservation and natural environments non forest**

Land use and forest cover



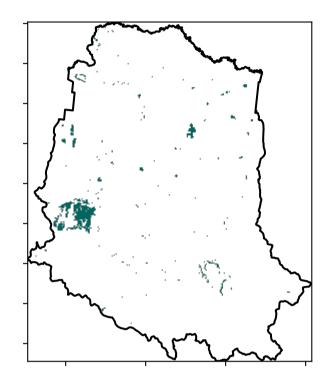
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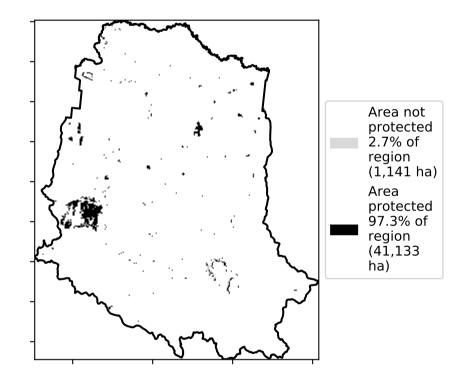
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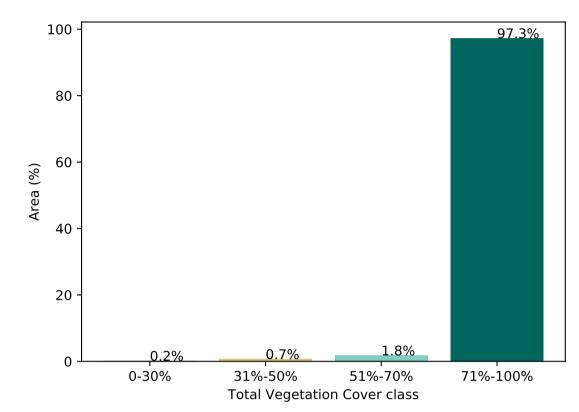
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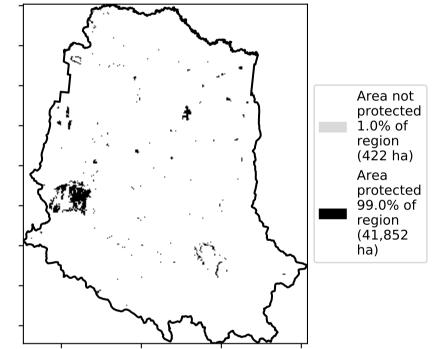




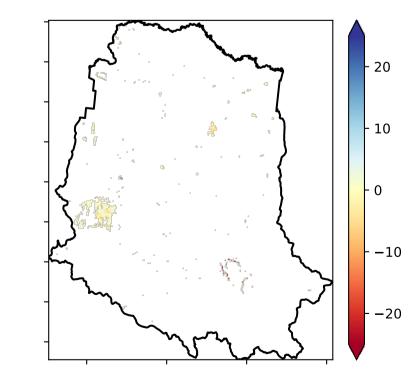




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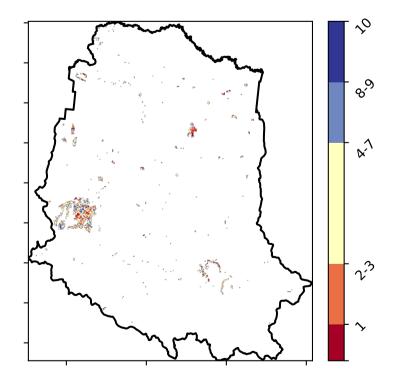


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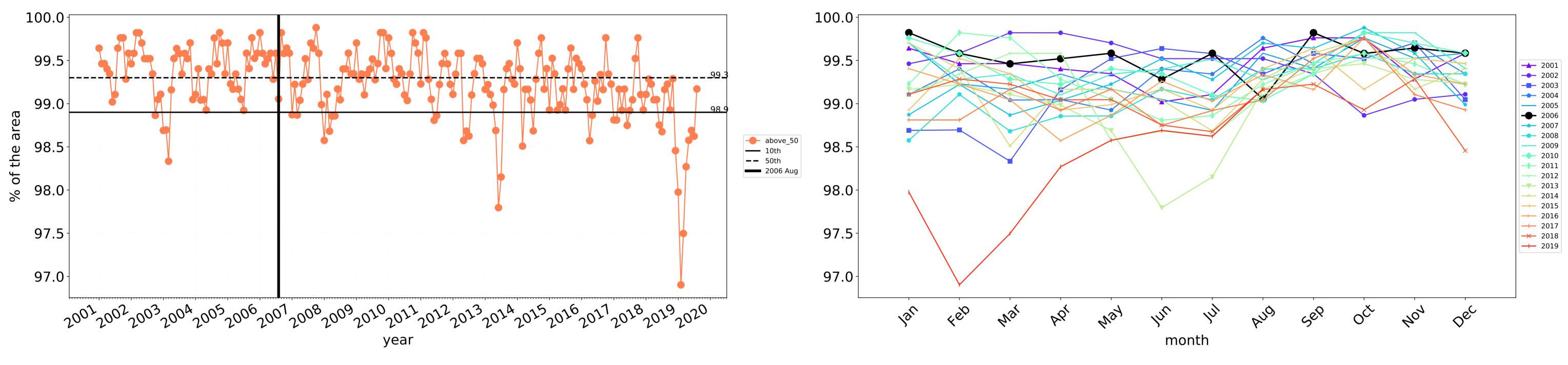
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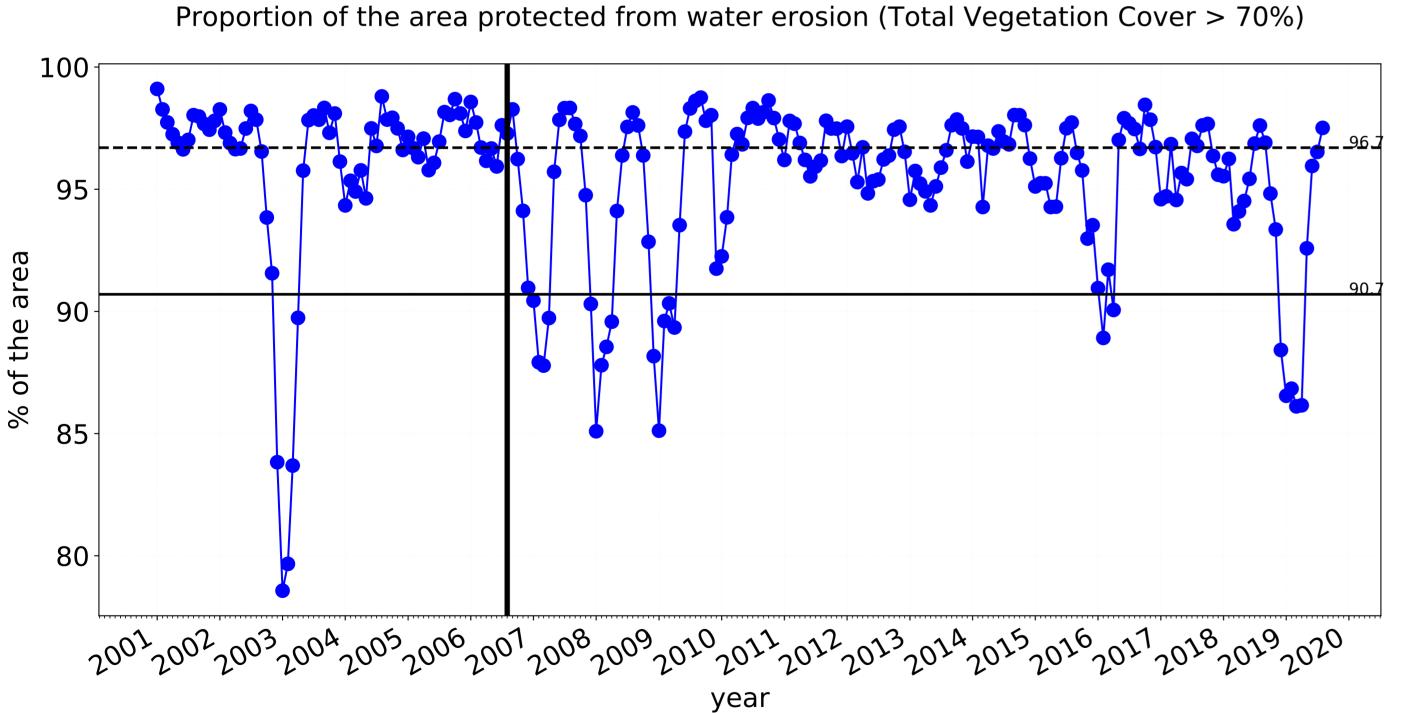
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

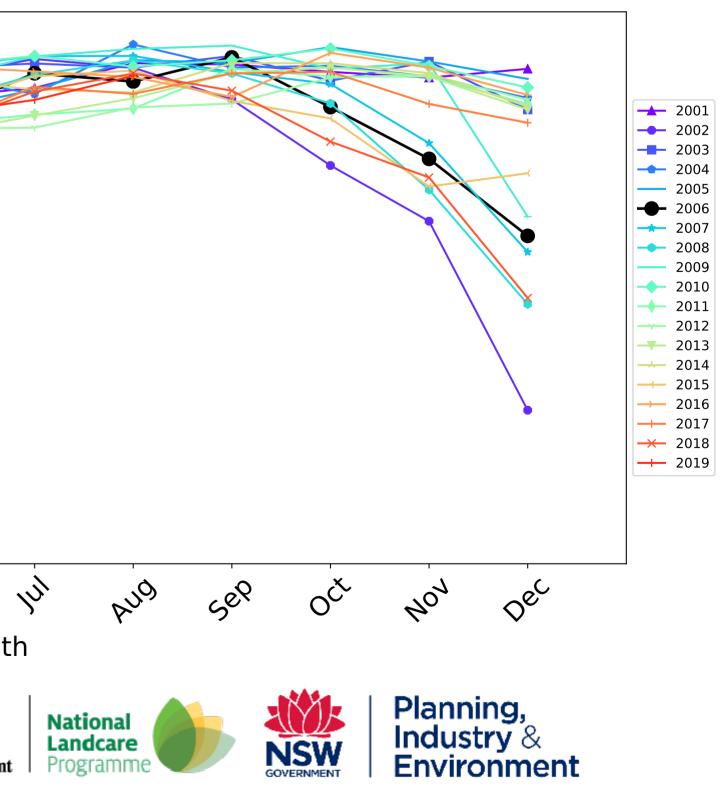




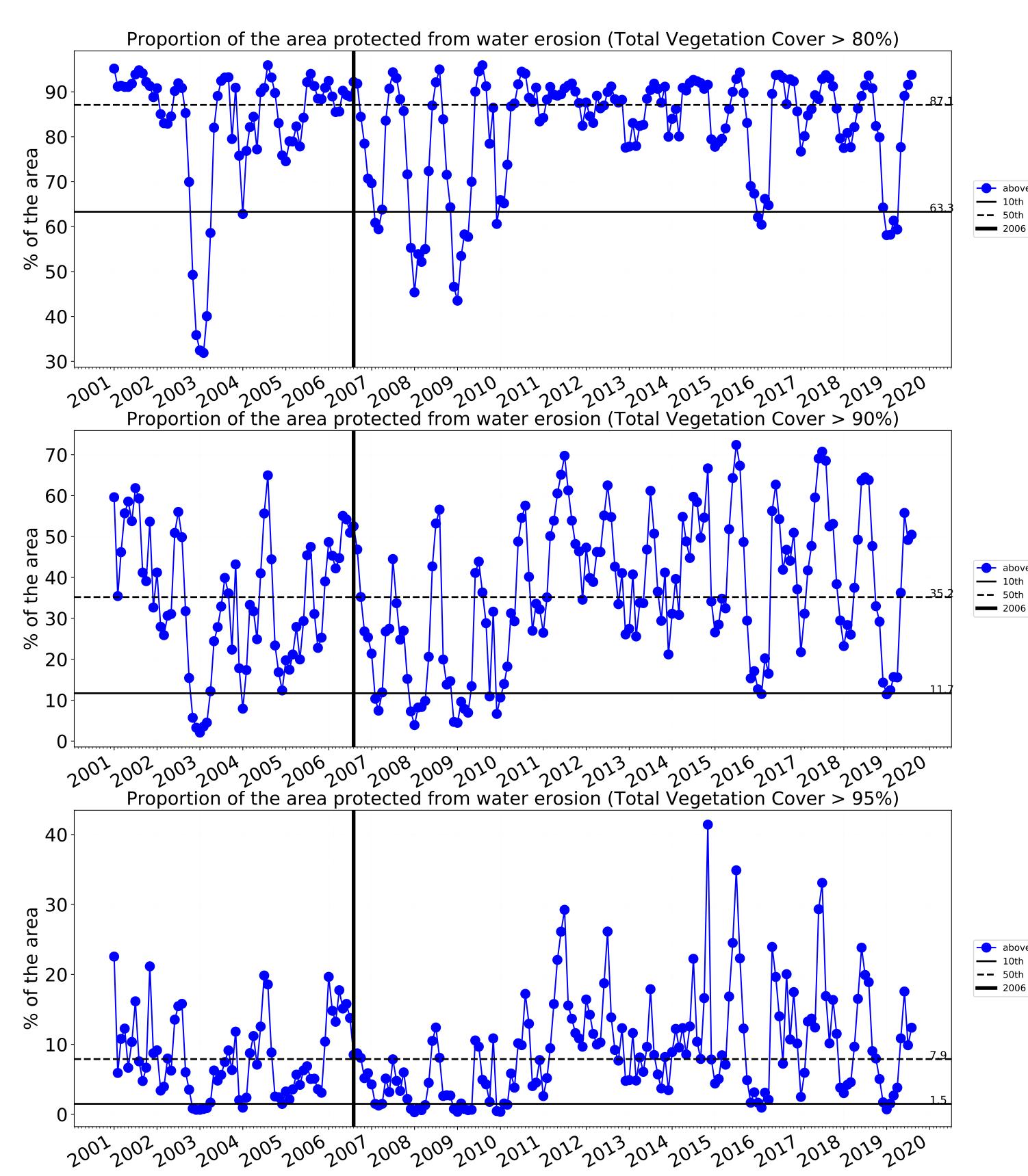
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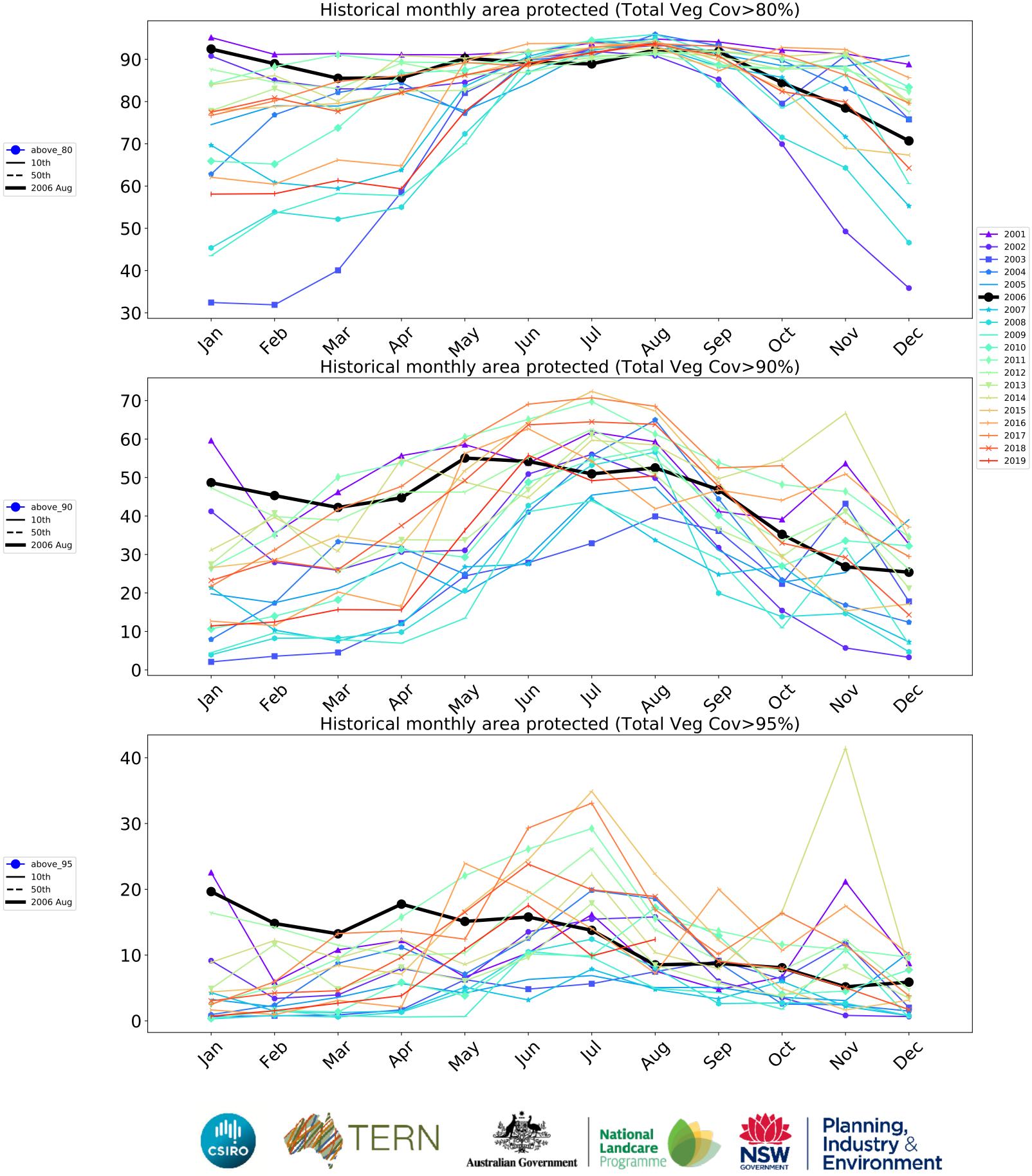
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)









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

Land use and forest cover

Conservation and natural environments - Non-woodland forest

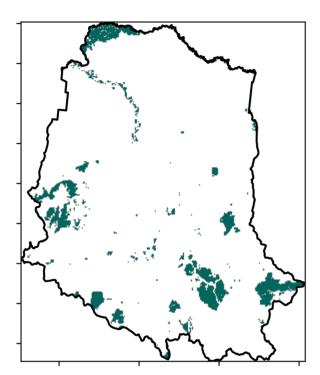
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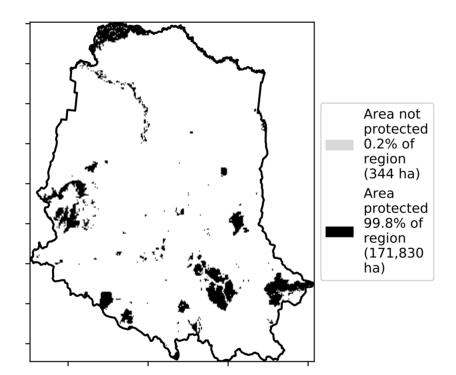
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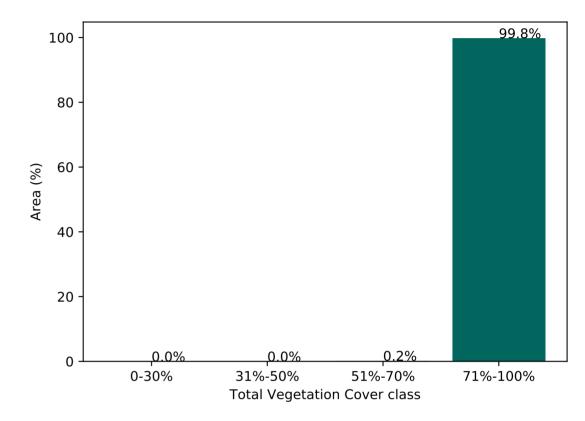
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



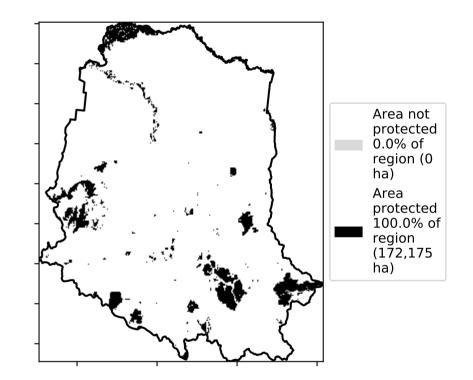
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



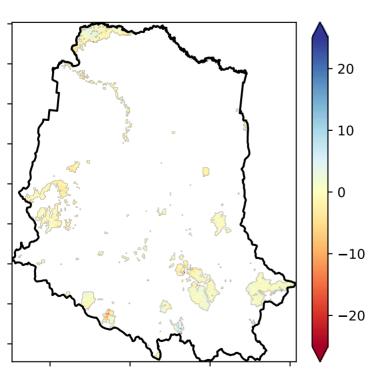
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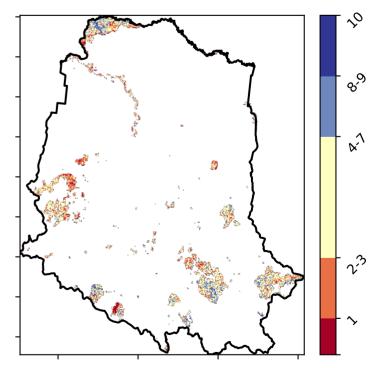
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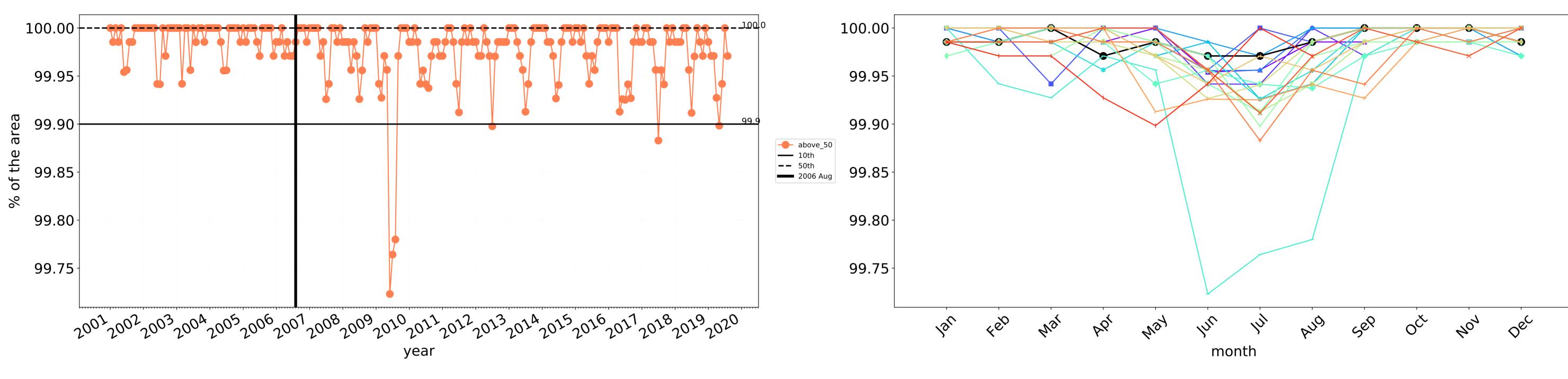


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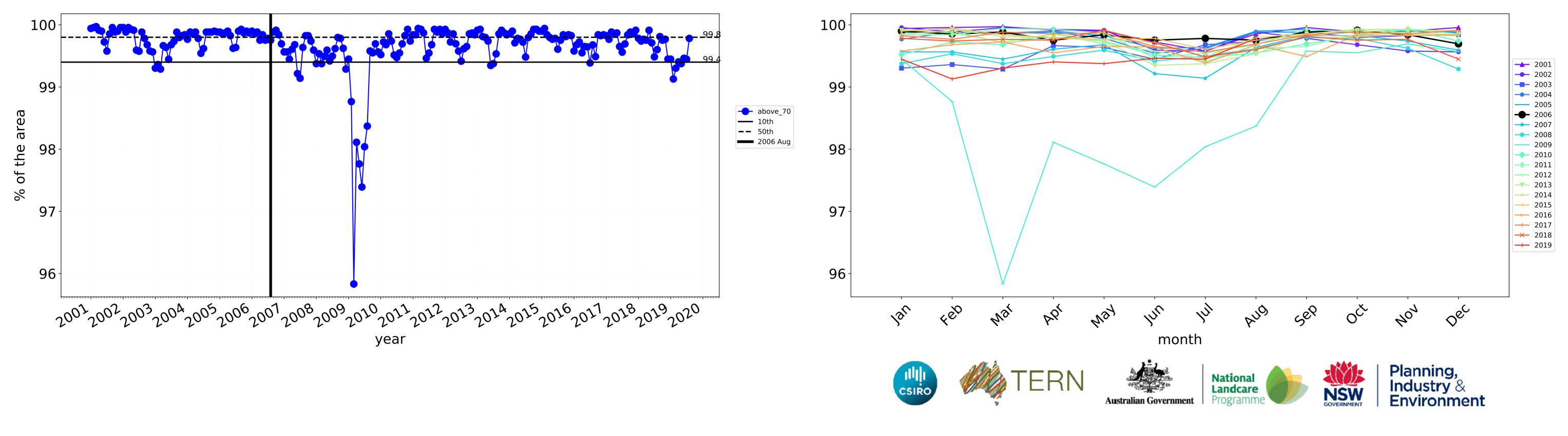






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

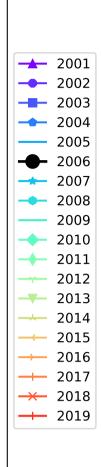
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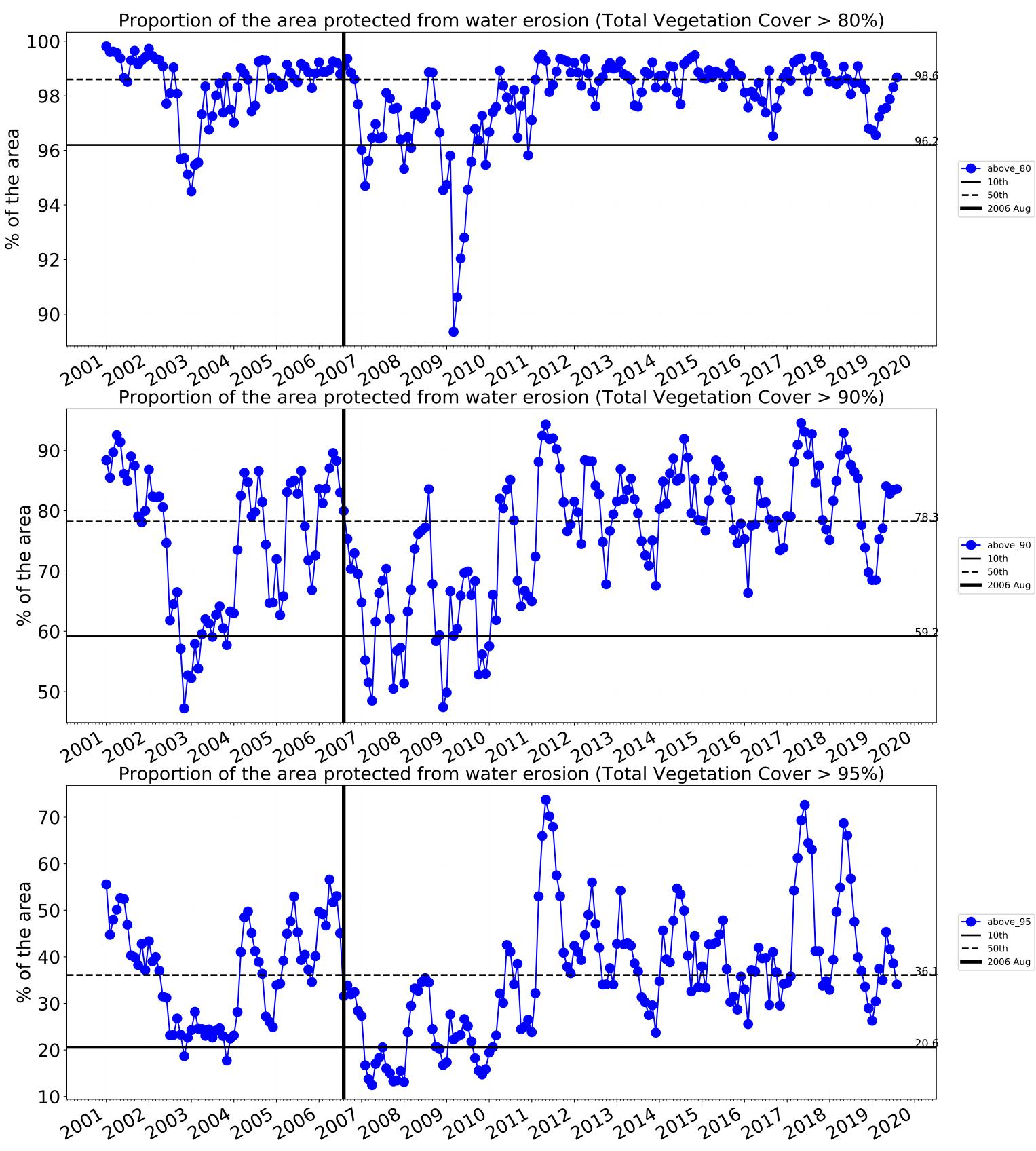


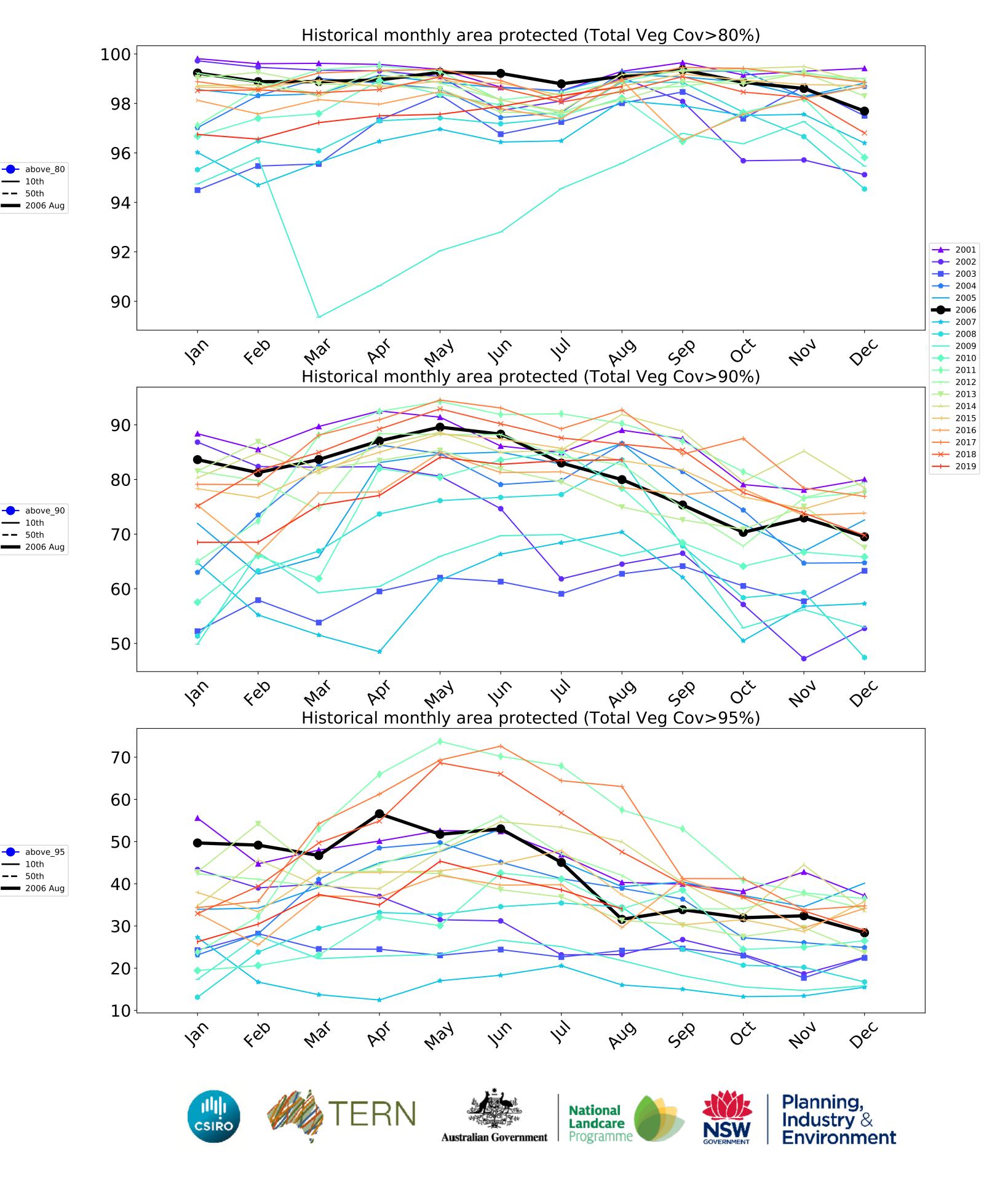
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)









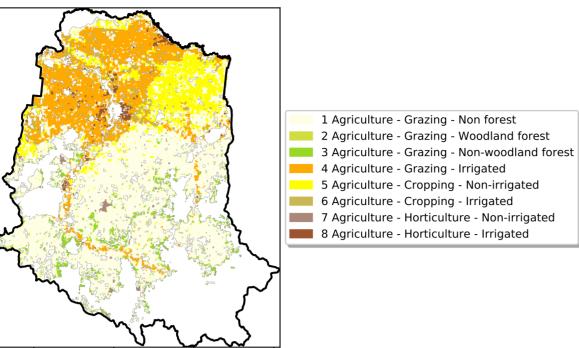


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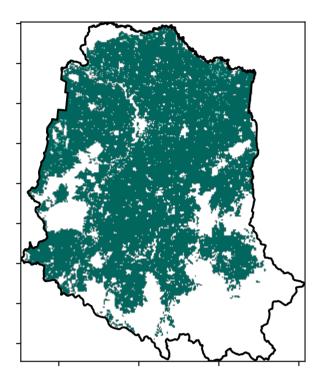
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#### Land use and forest cover

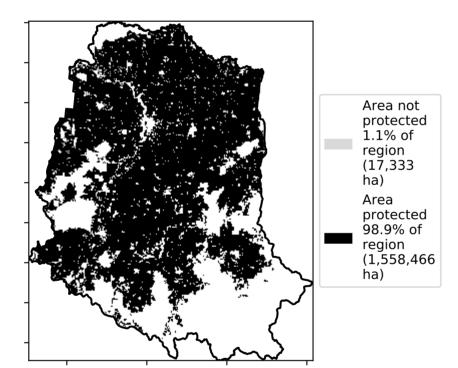
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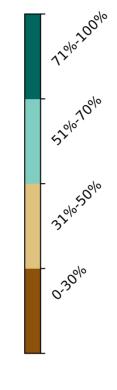


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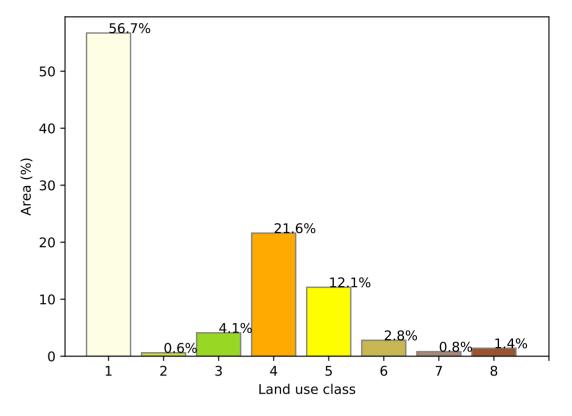




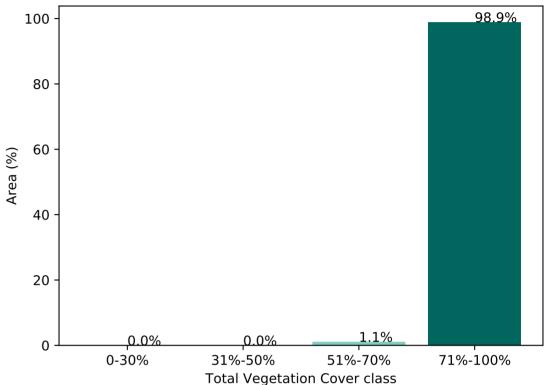




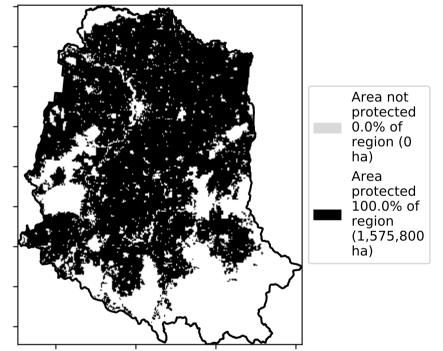




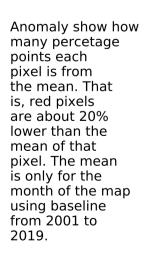
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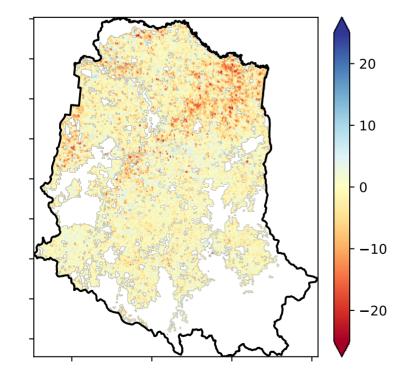


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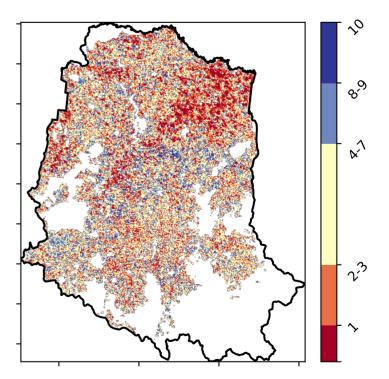
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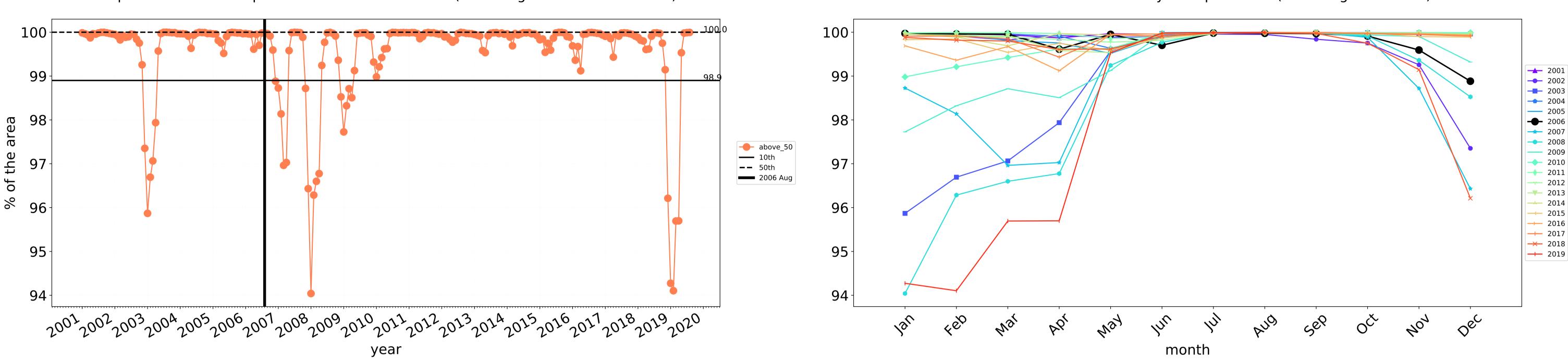
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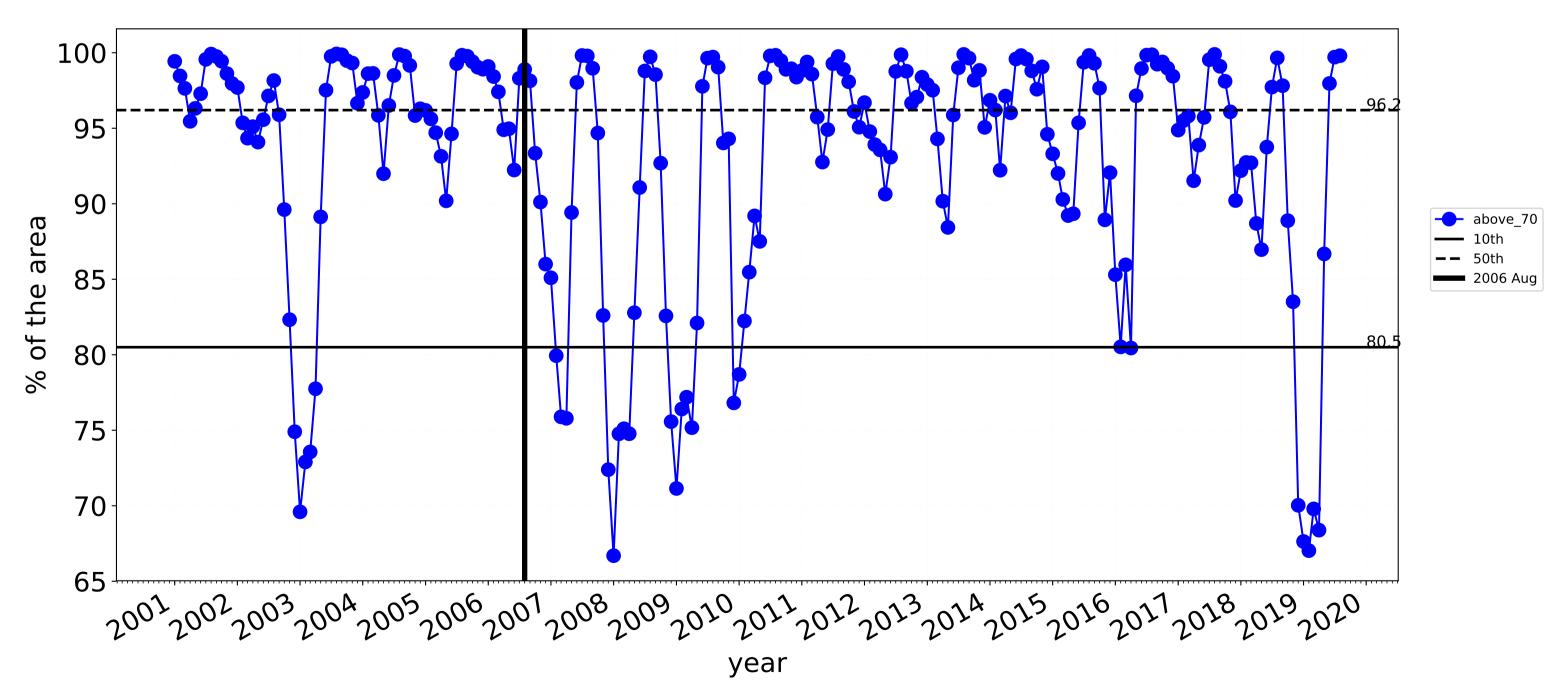


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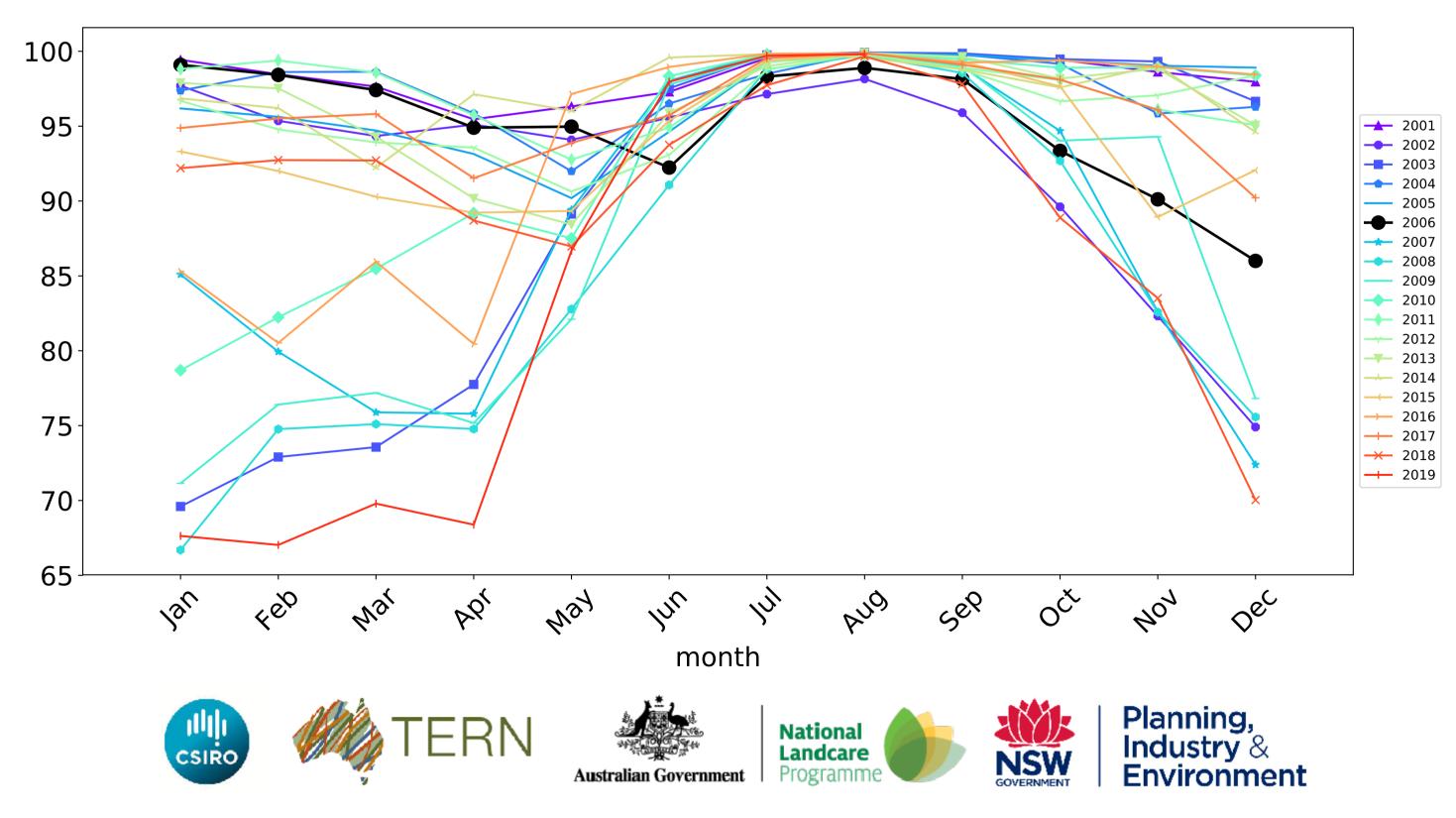
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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

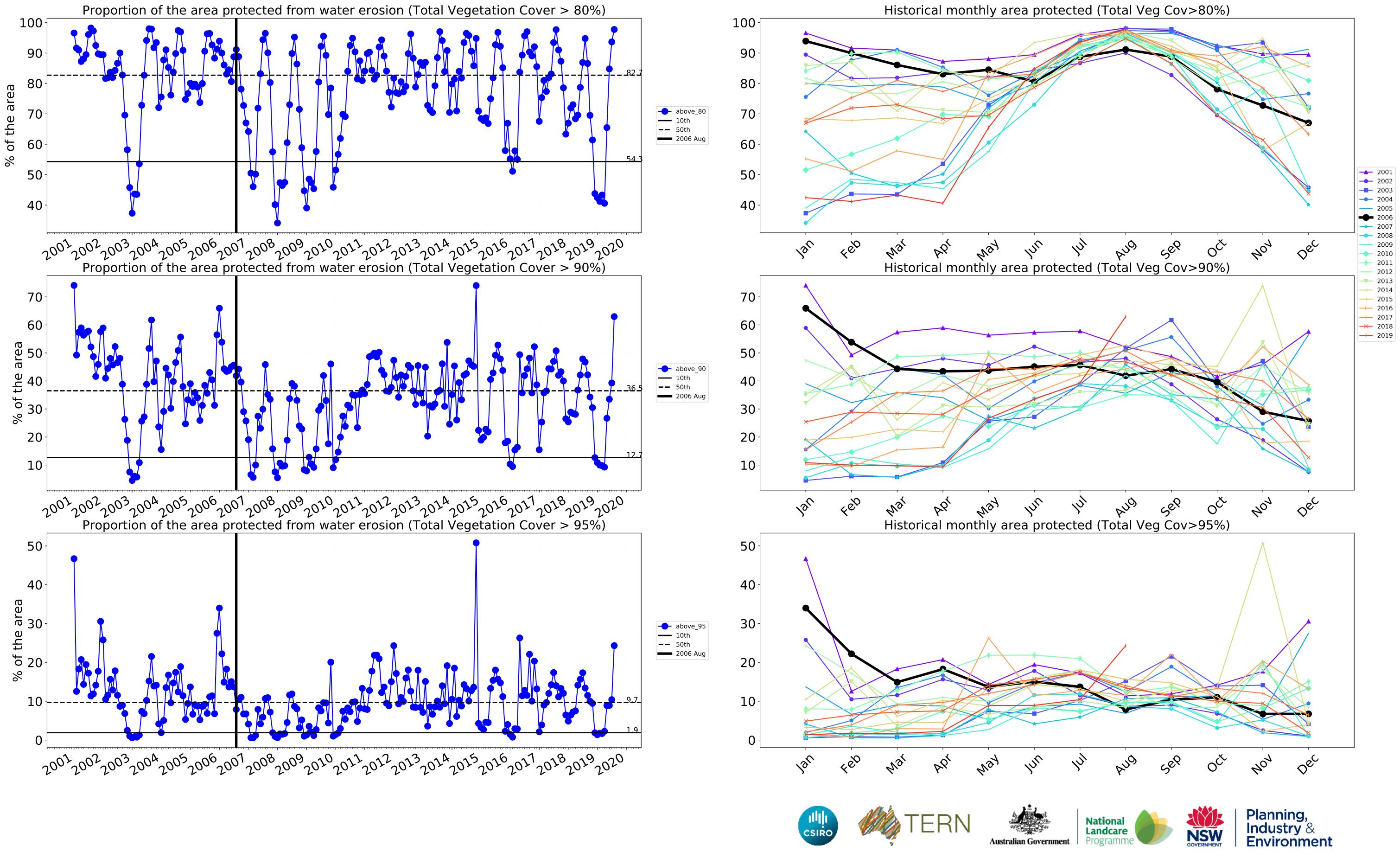


# **Agriculture timeseries**

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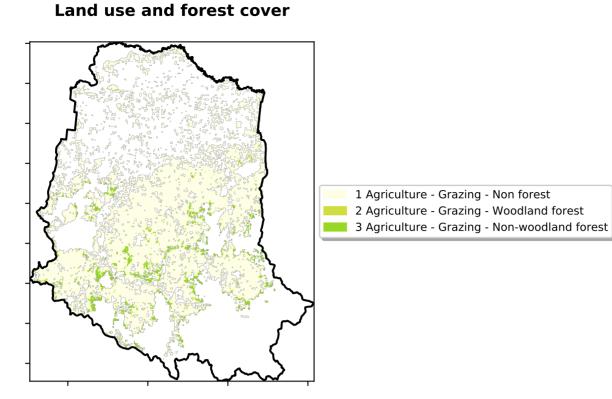


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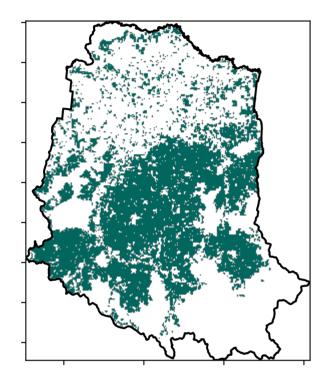


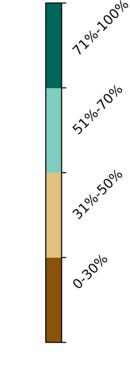
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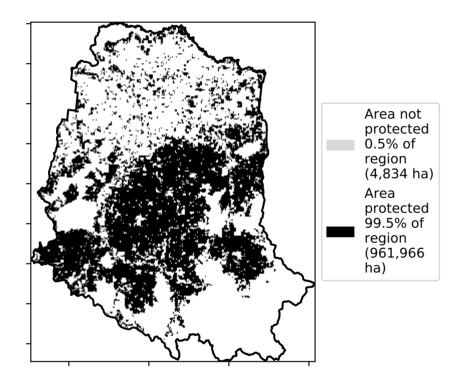


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 





% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest

2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

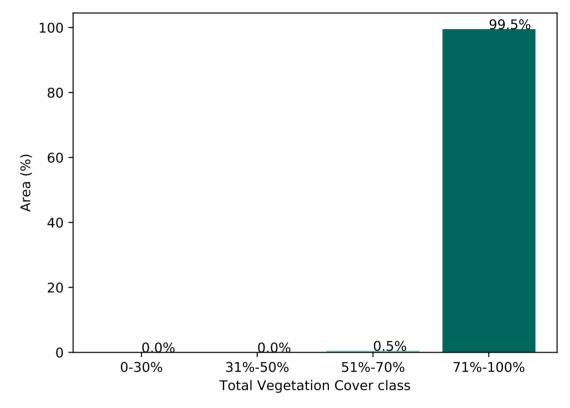
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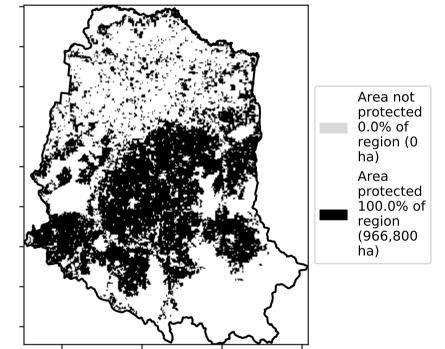
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% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



#### Proportion of each land class in area

92.3%

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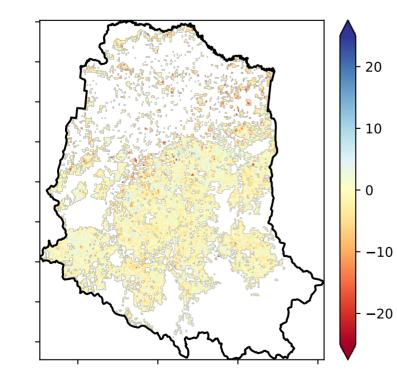
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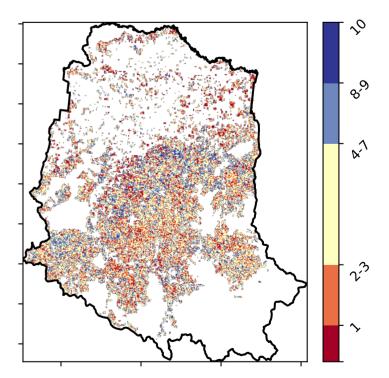
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



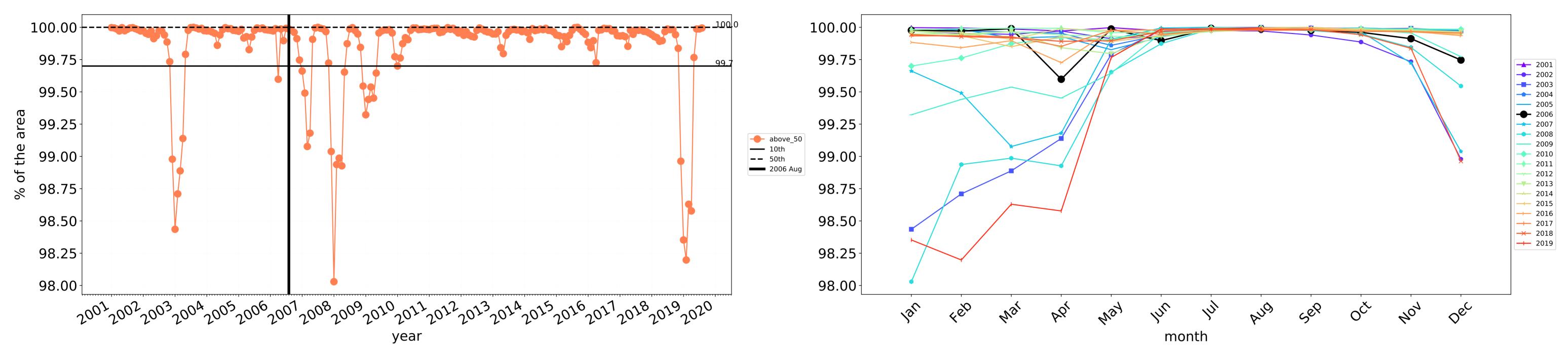
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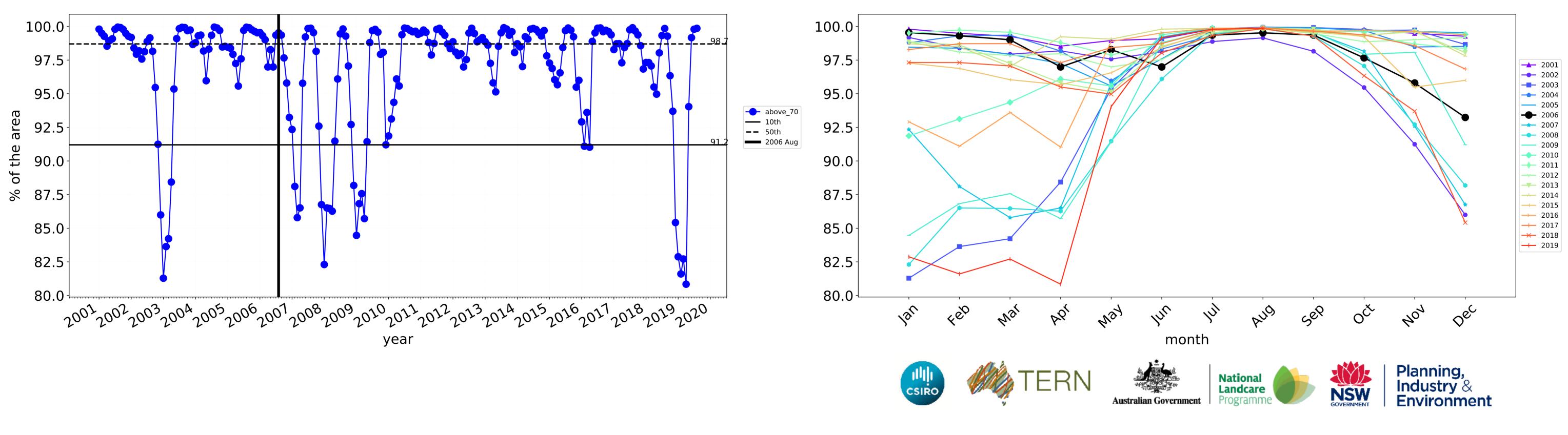


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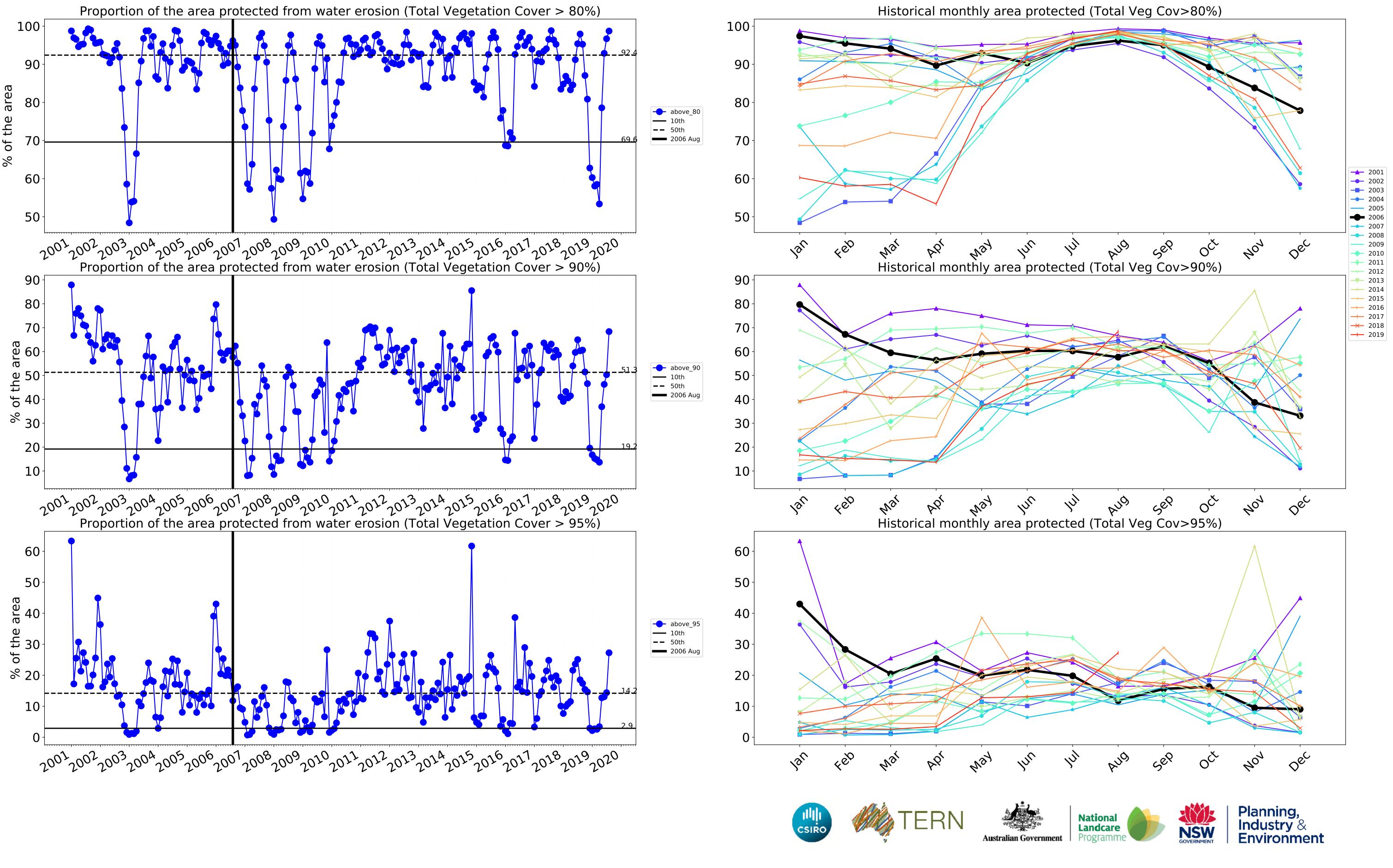
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

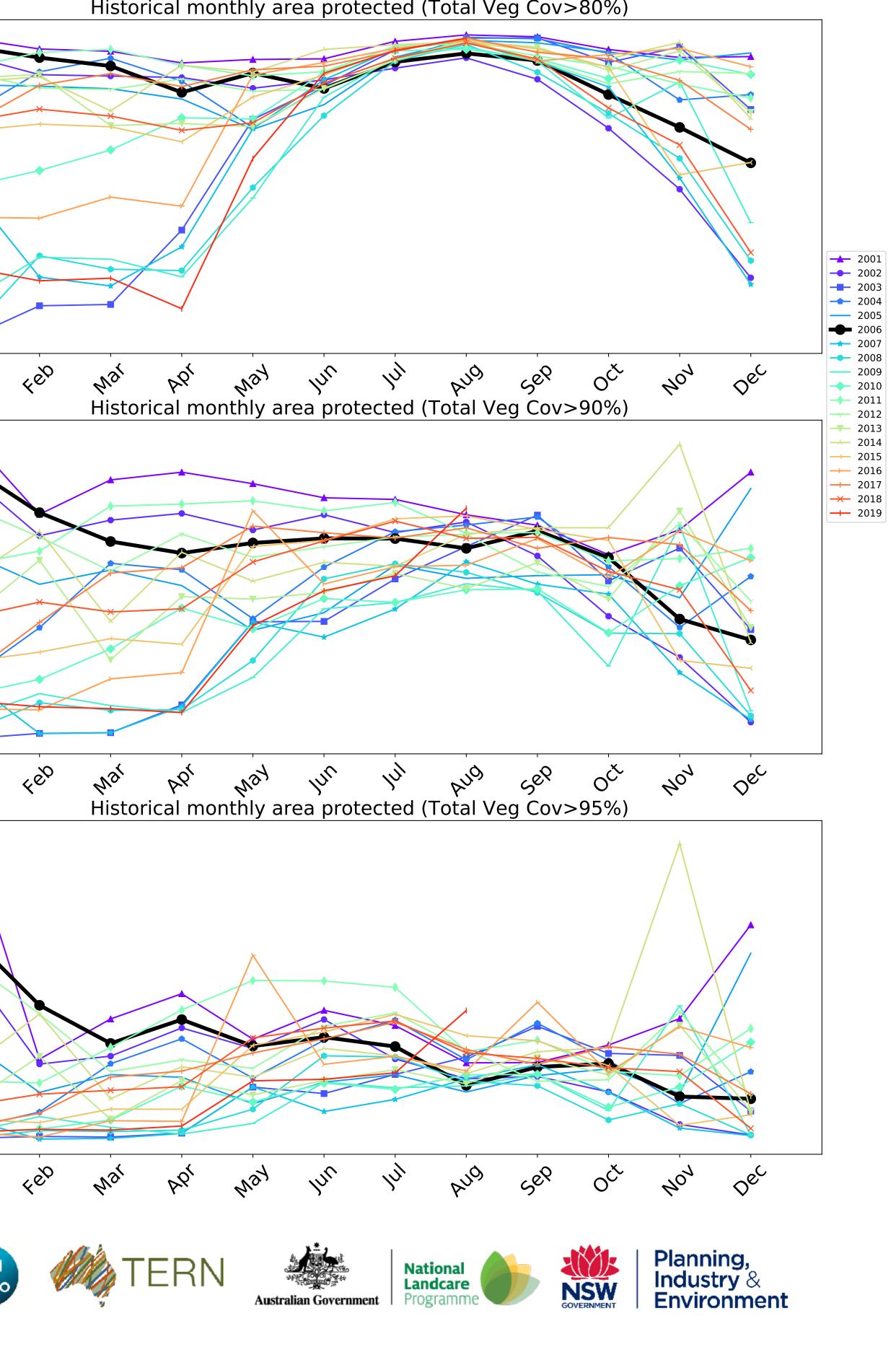
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

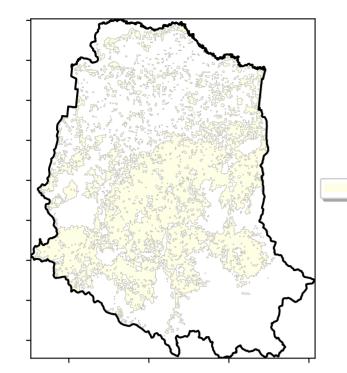
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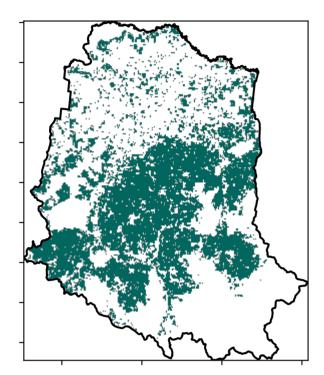
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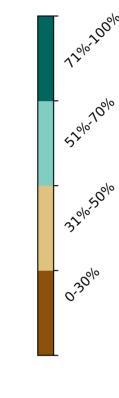
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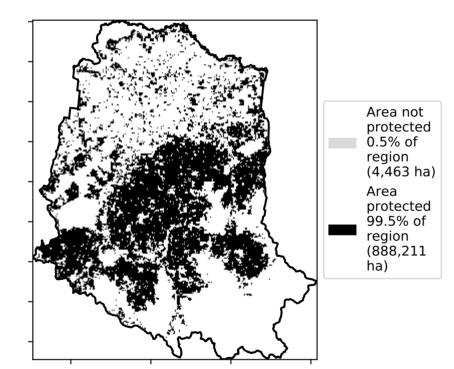
1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest

**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



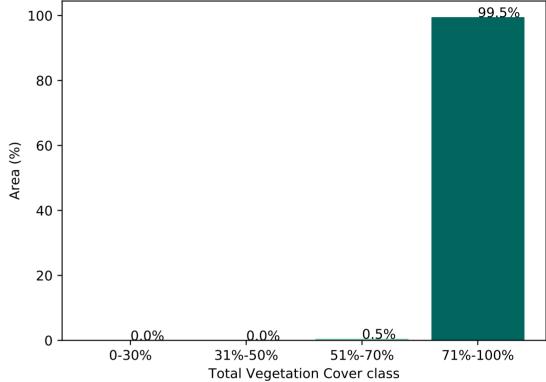


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

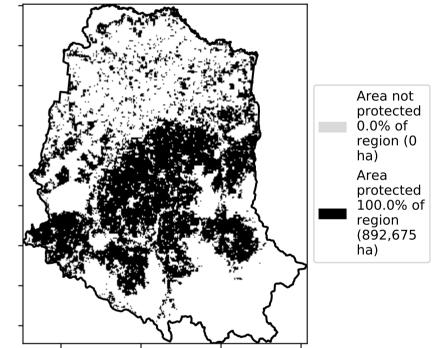




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

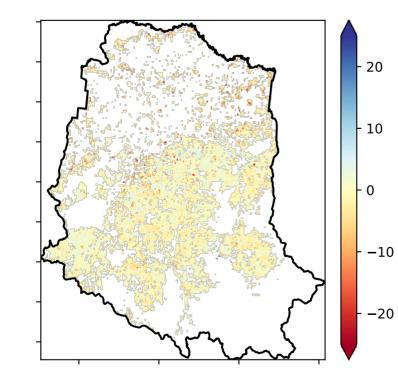


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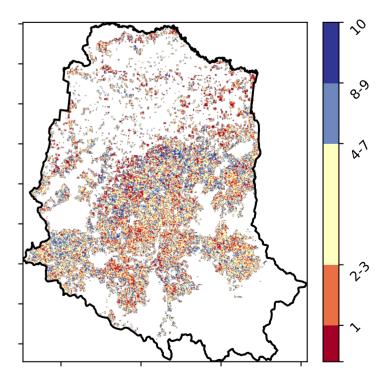
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



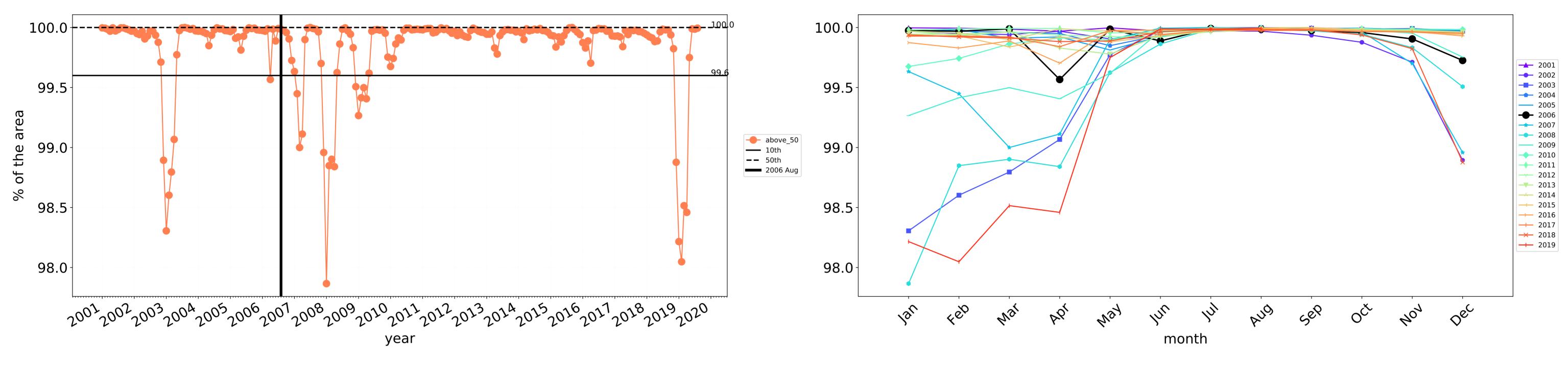
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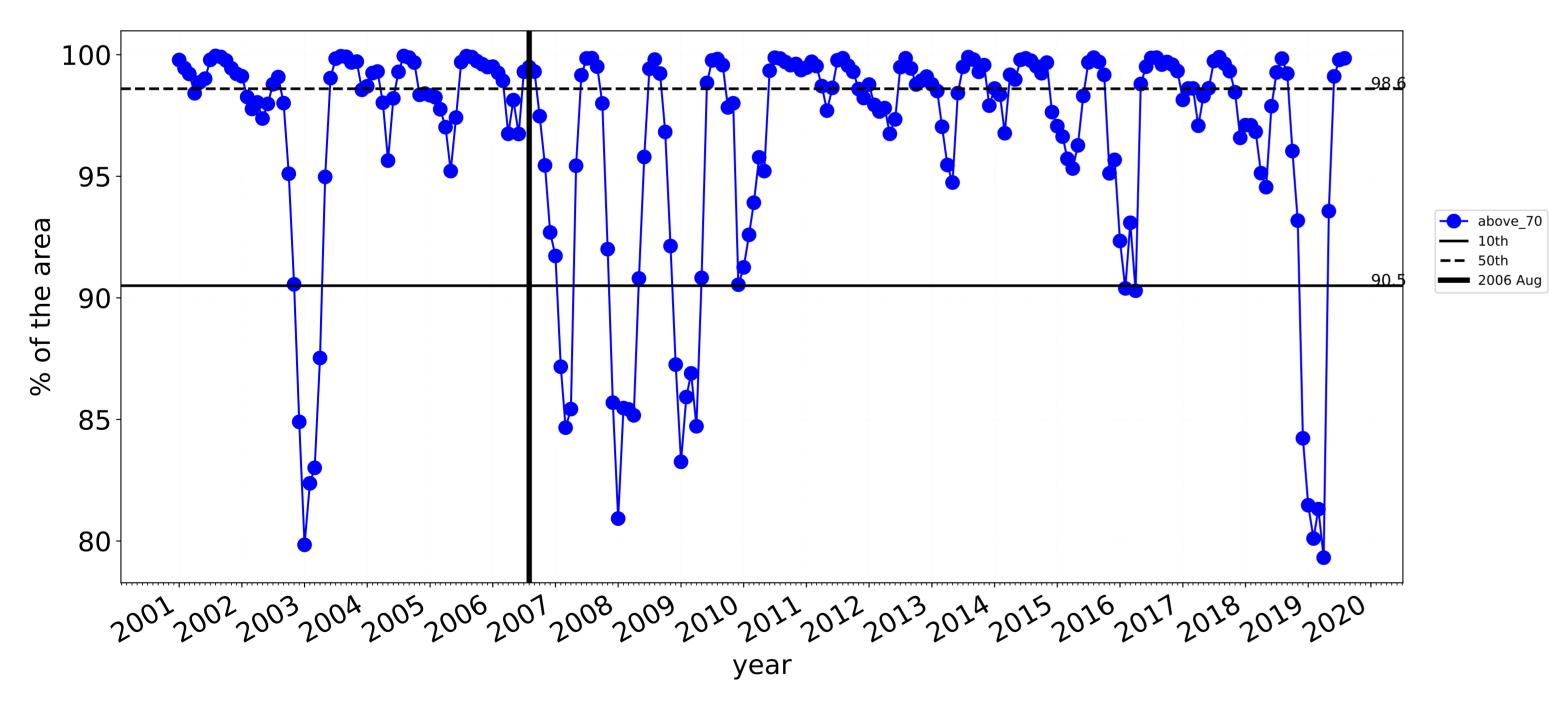


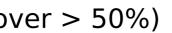
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

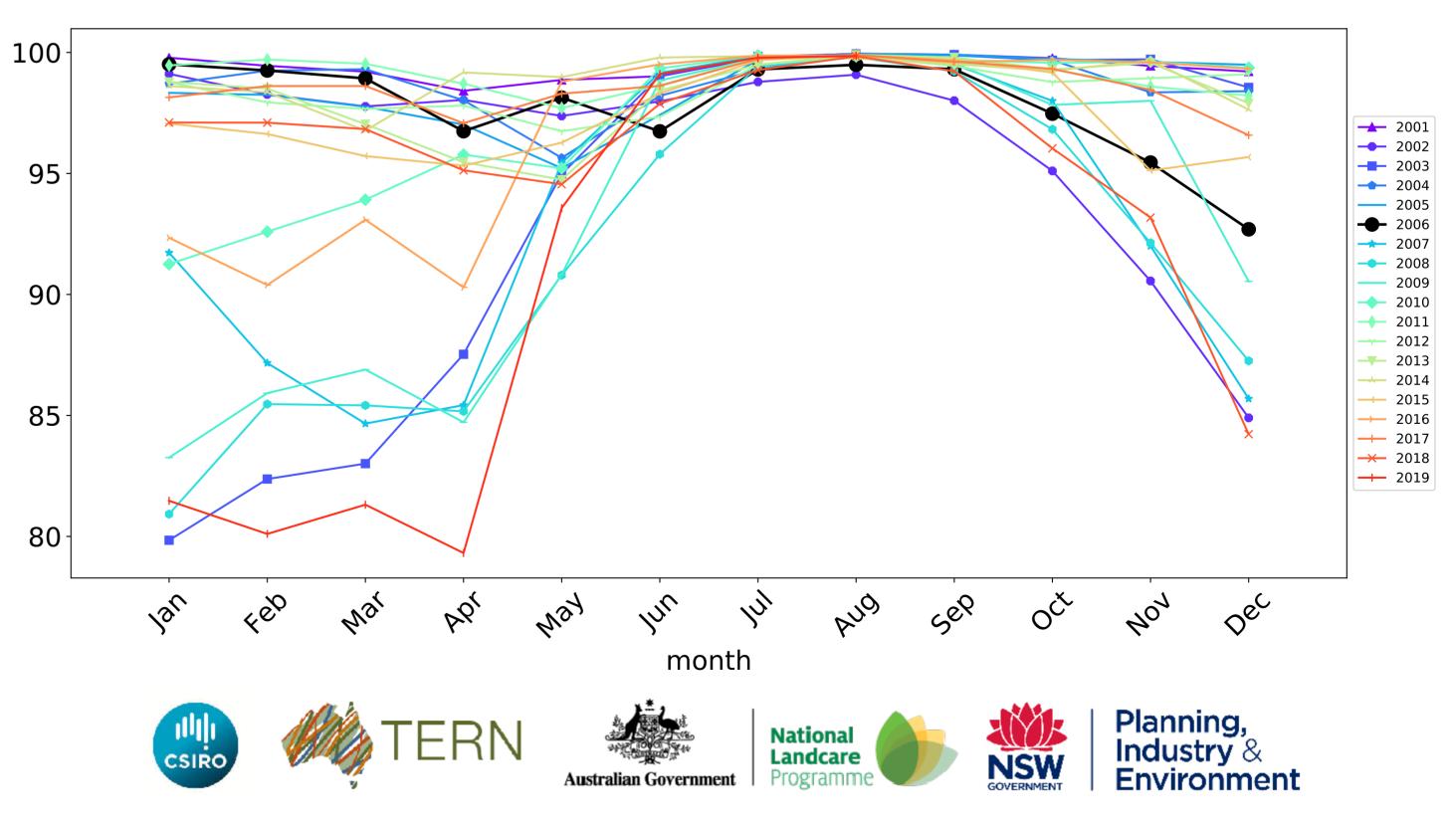
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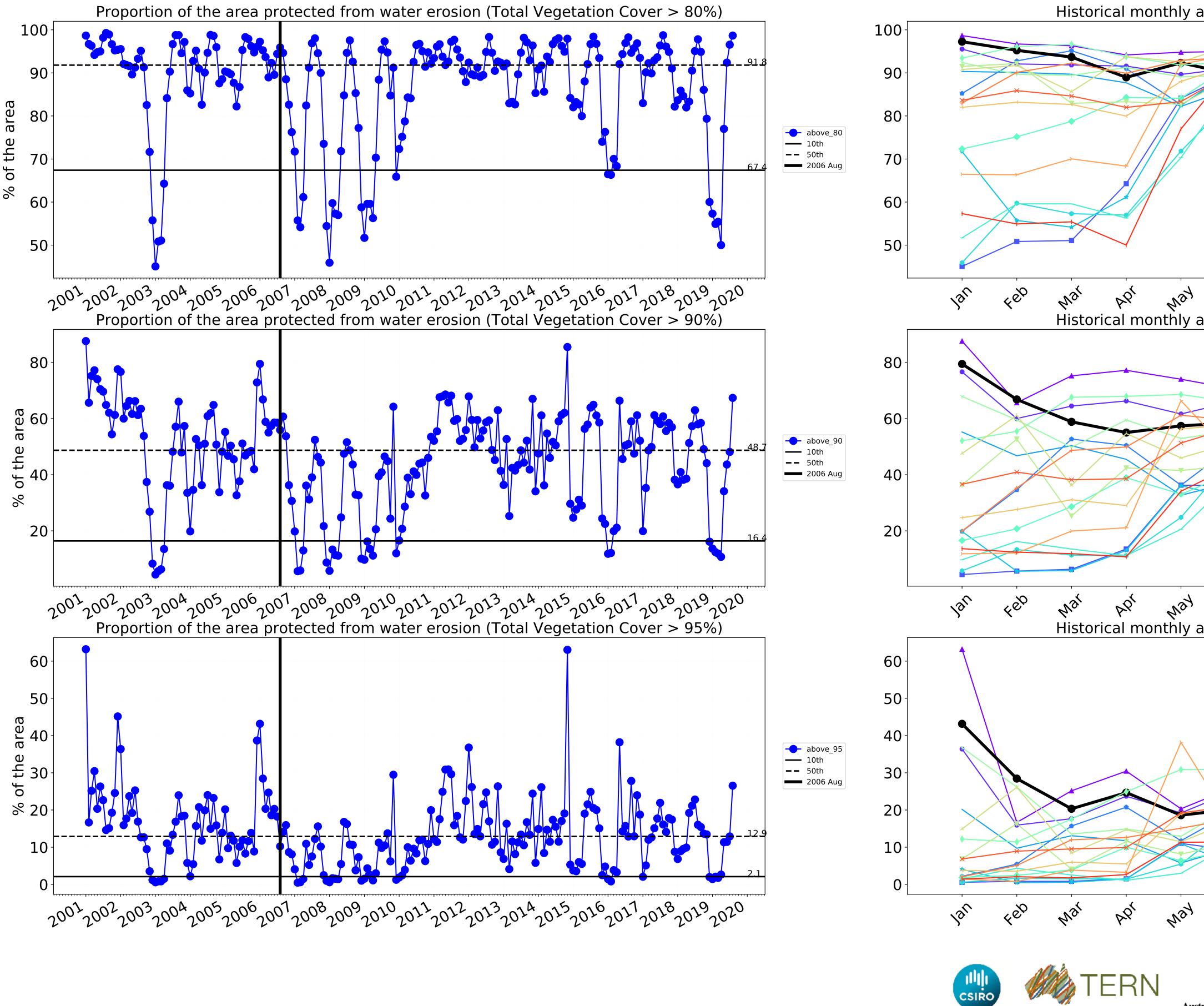




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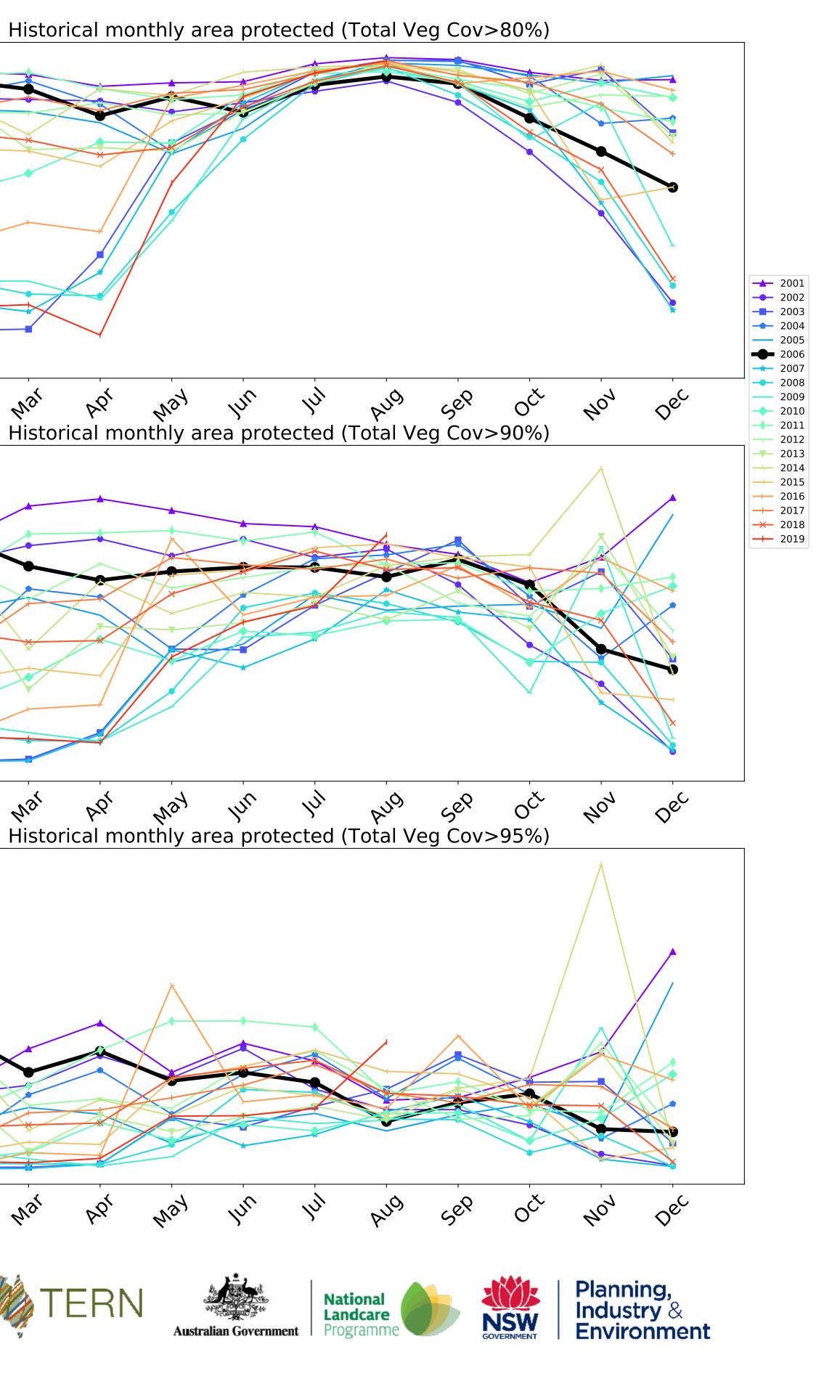
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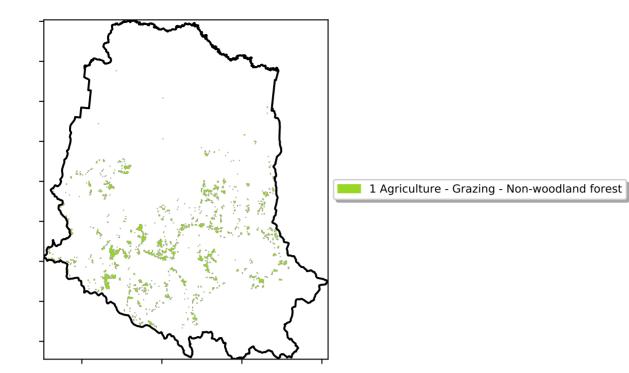
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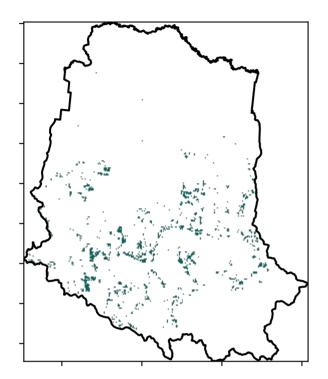


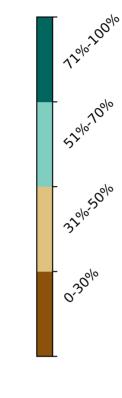
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Land use and forest cover

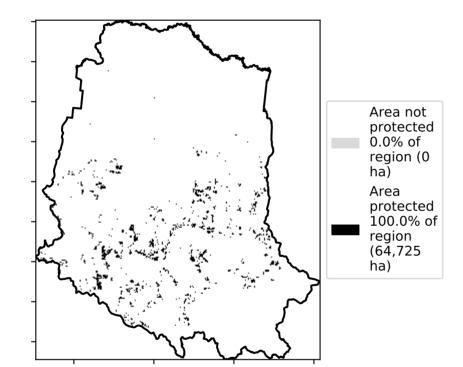


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

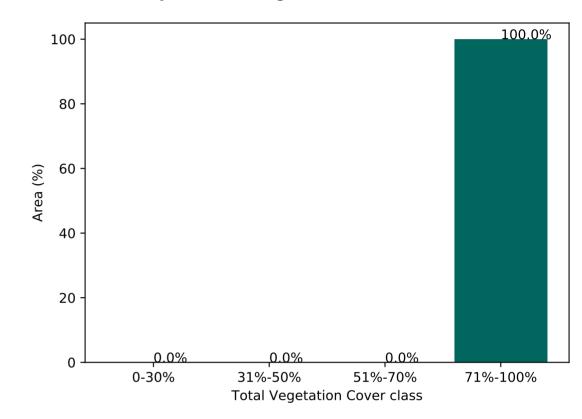




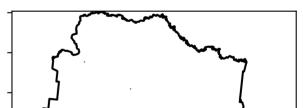
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

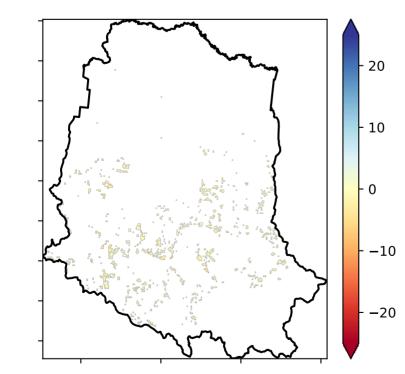


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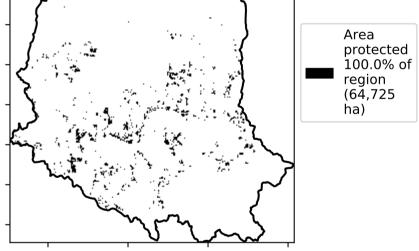


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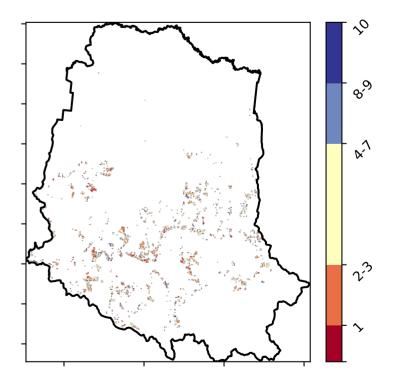
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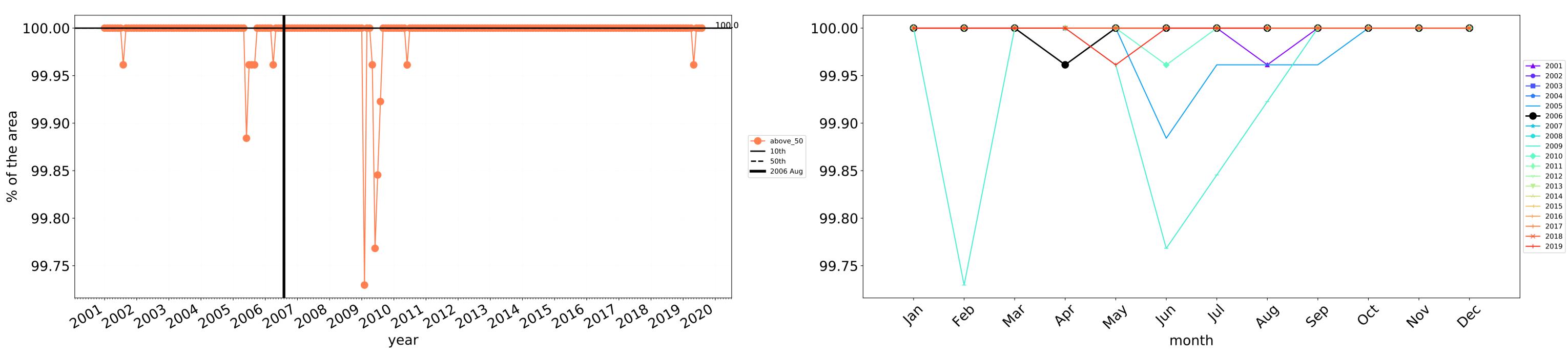


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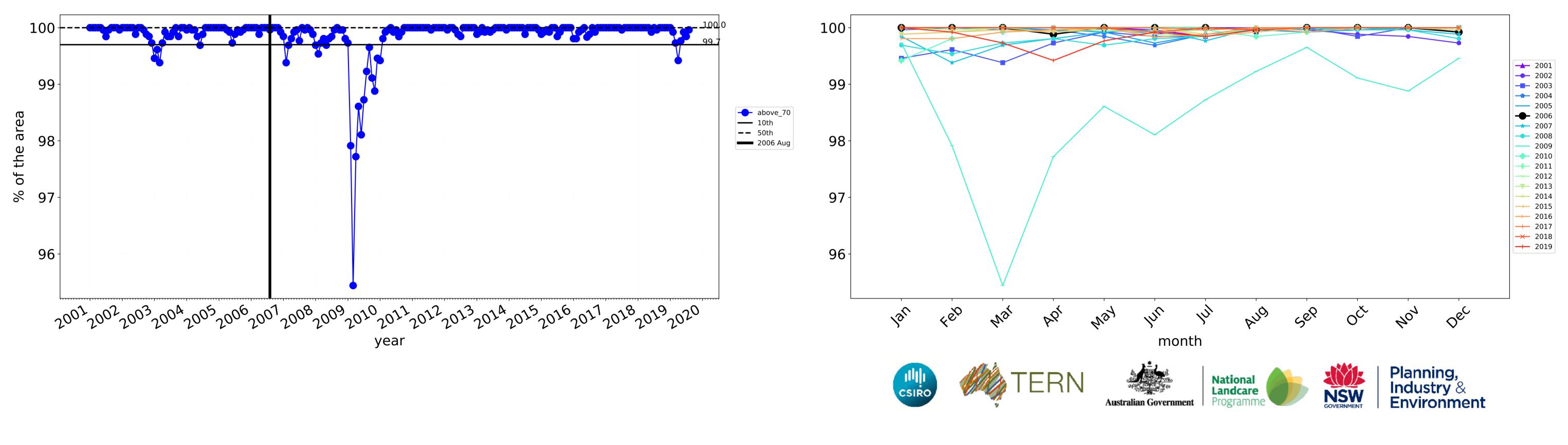


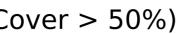
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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

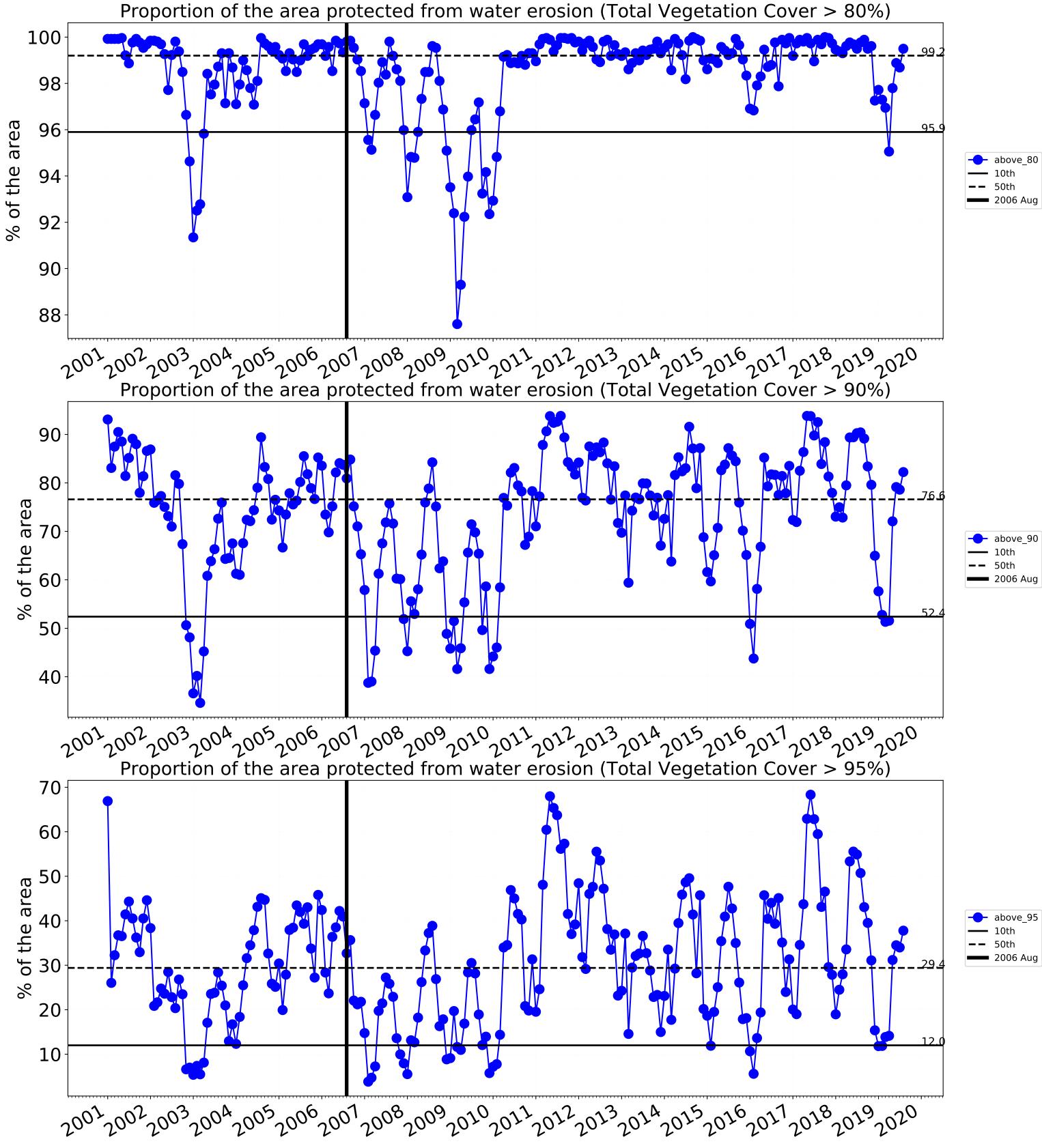
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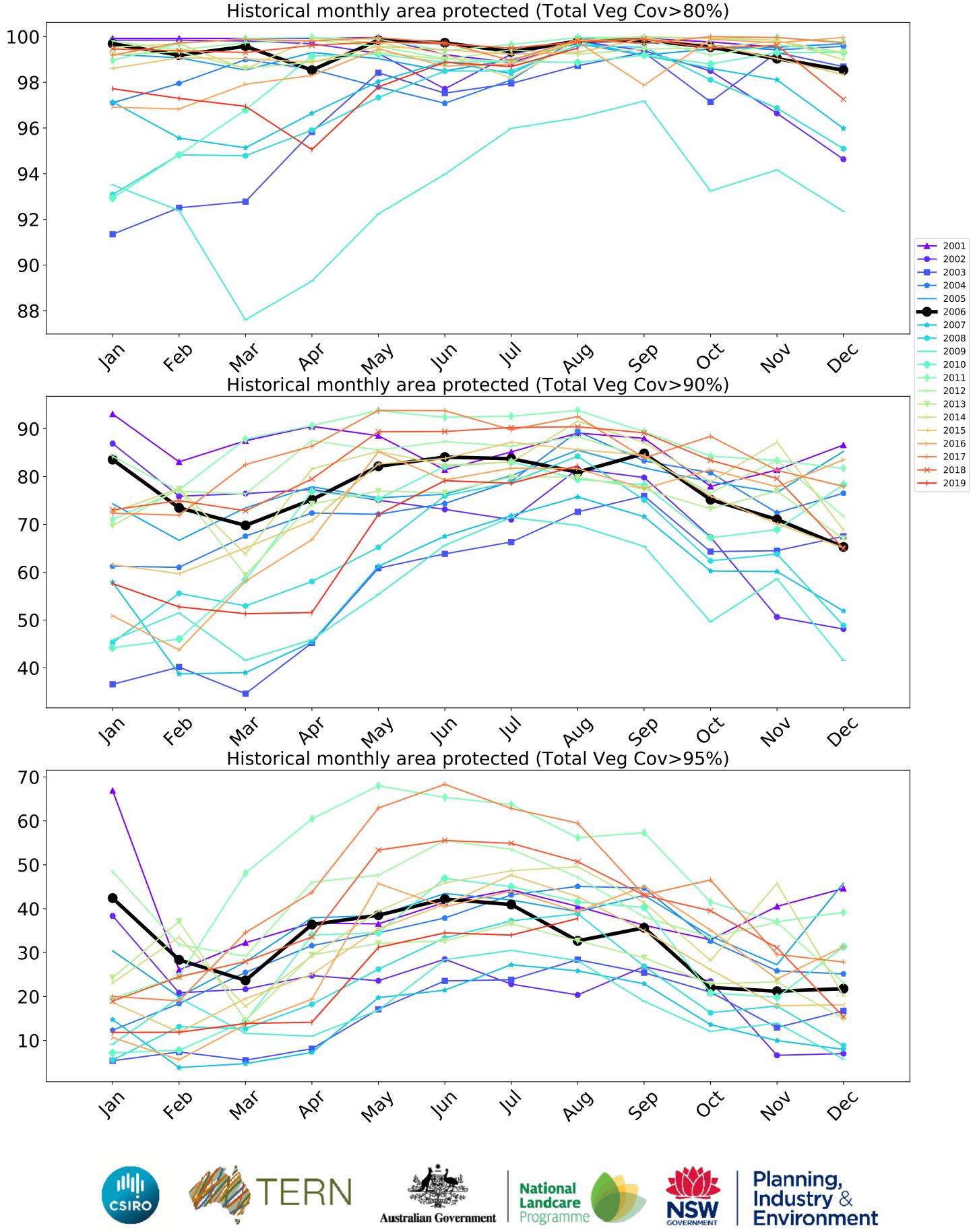


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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



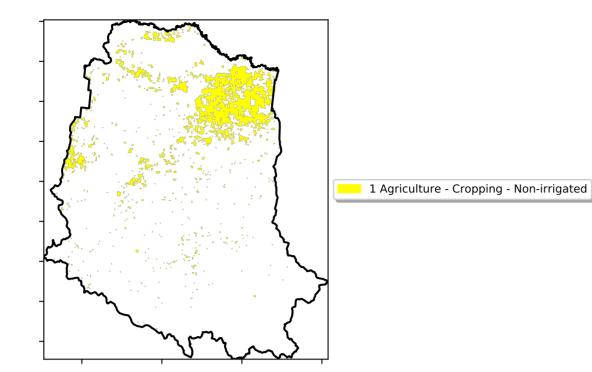




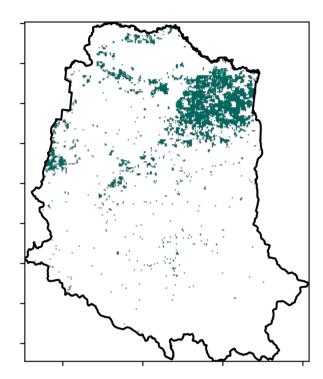


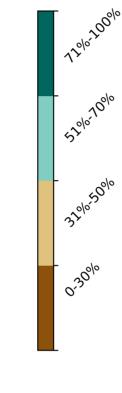
### Cropping

#### Land use and forest cover

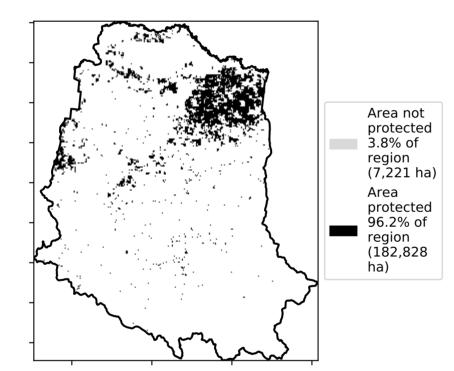


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 





% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



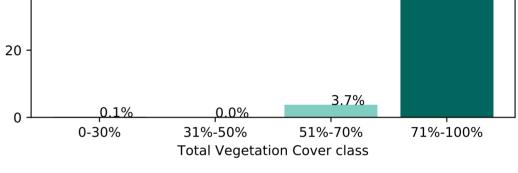


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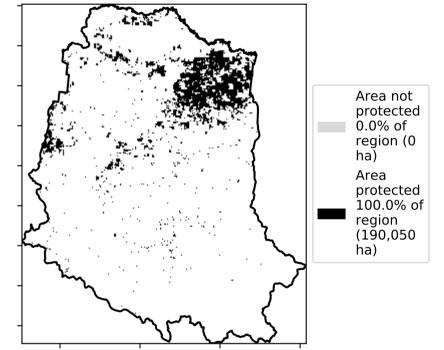
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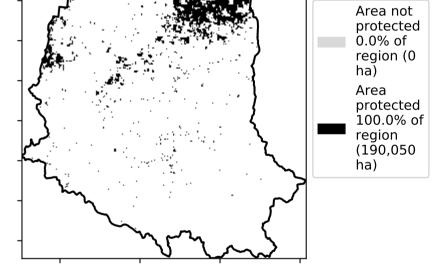


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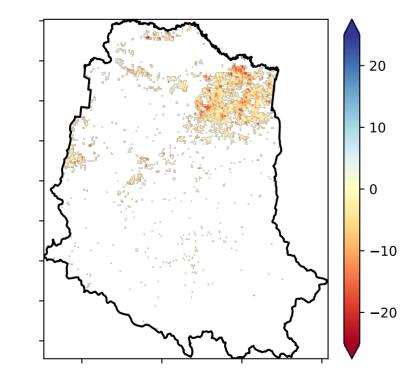
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





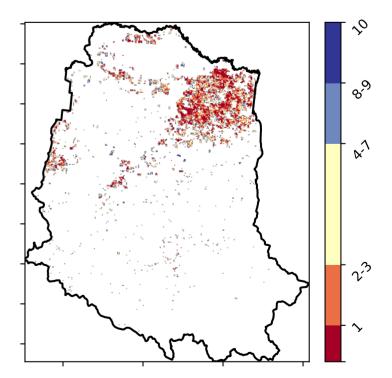
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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



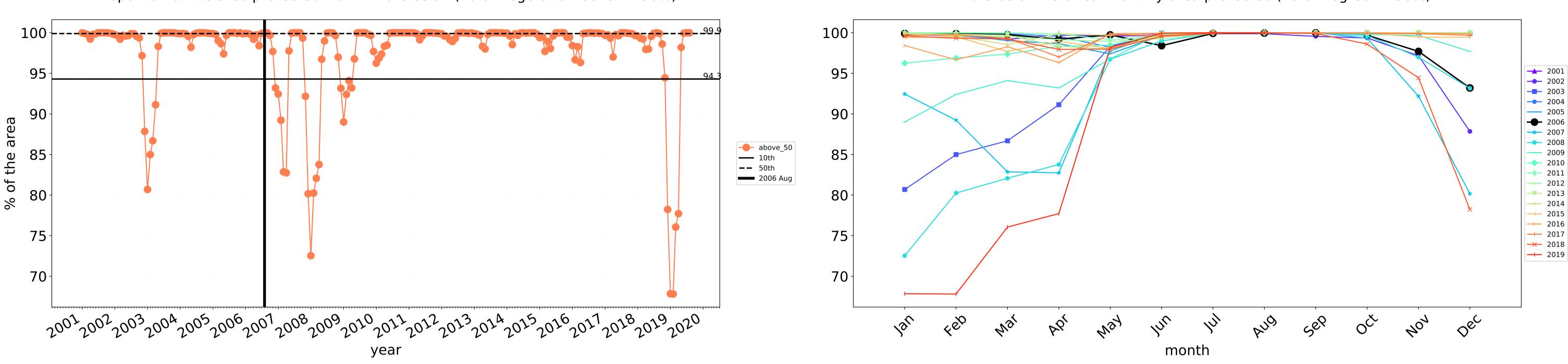
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



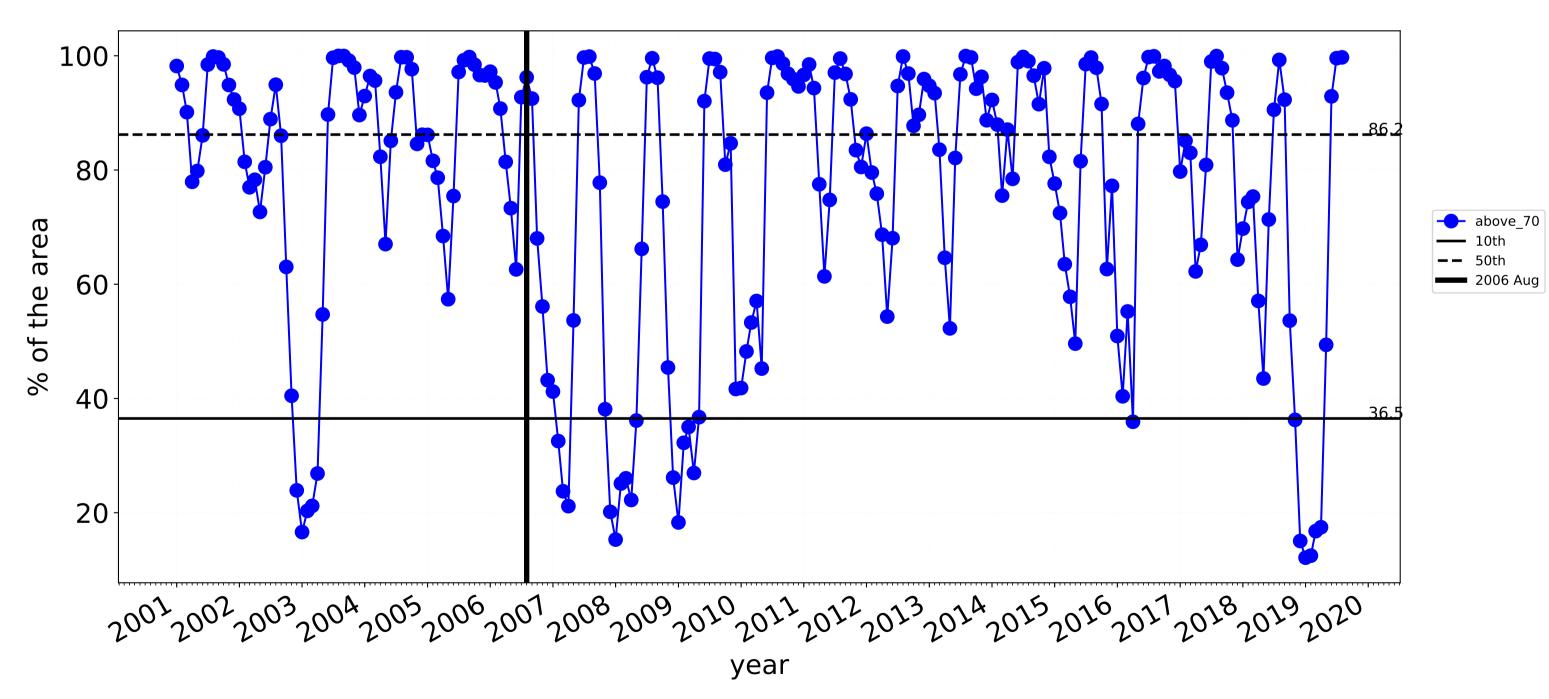


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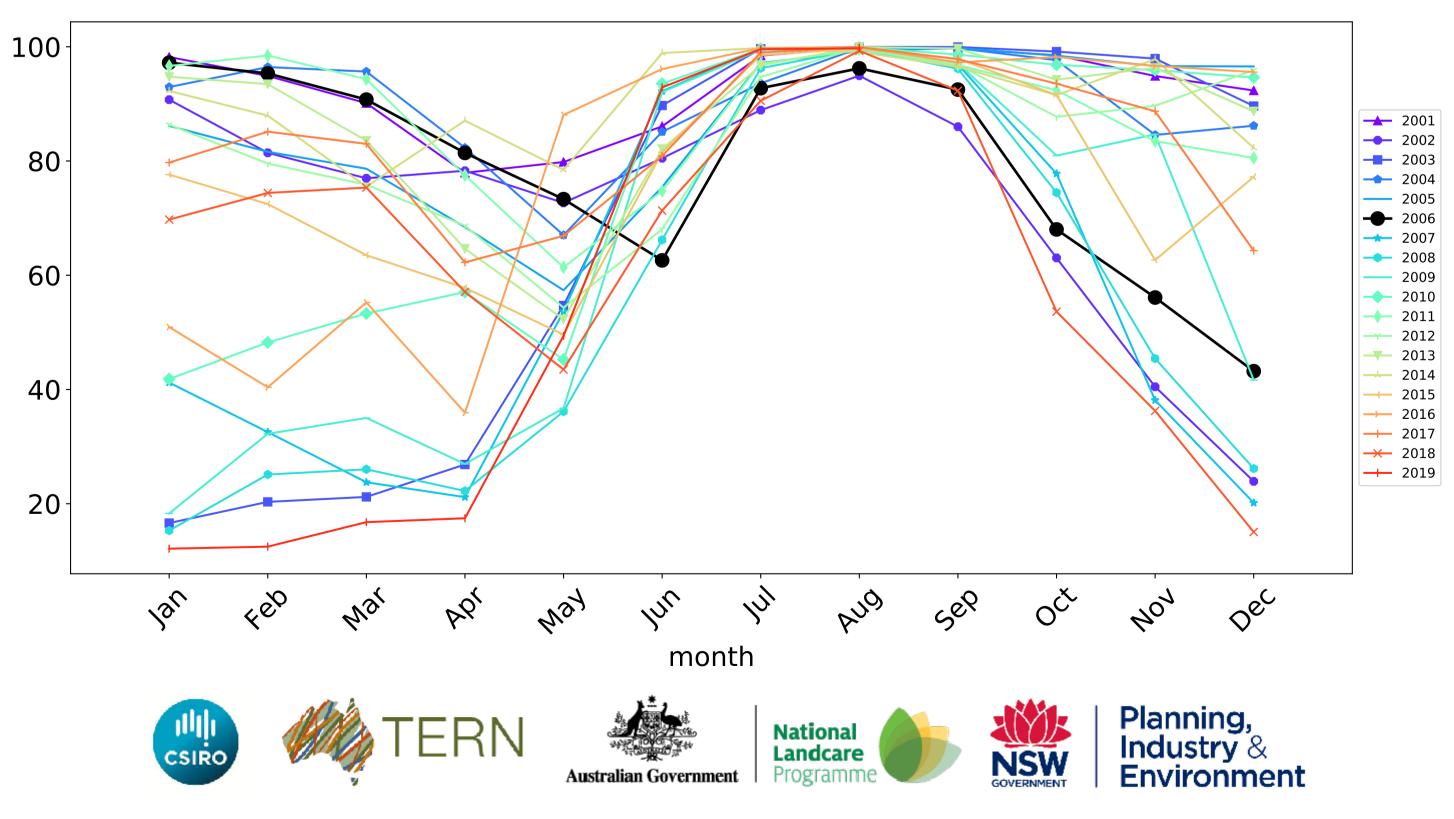
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



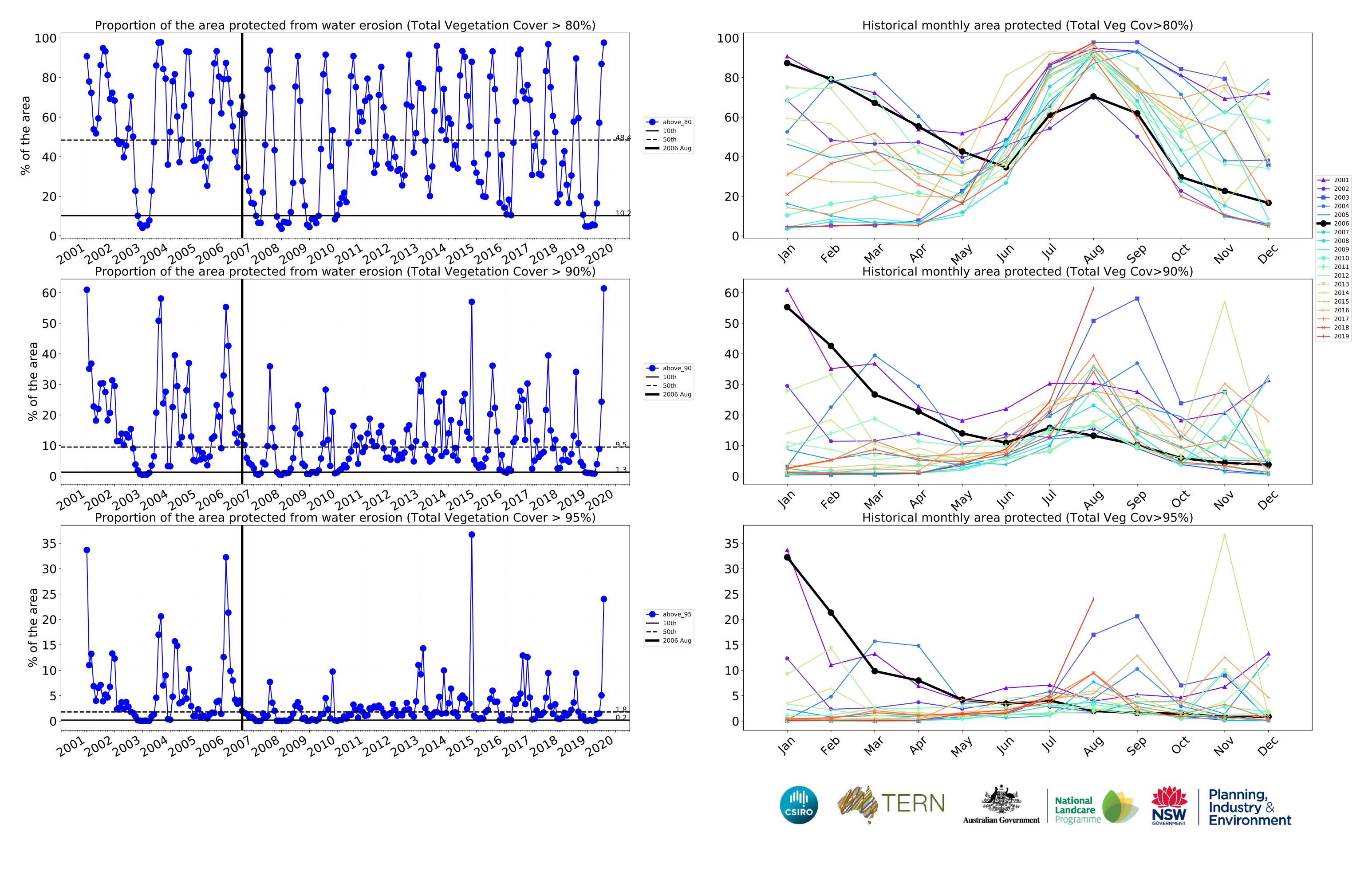


# **Cropping timeseries**

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



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



### Irrigation

1 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated

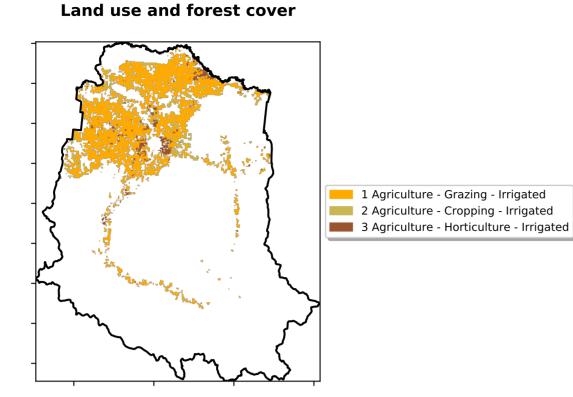
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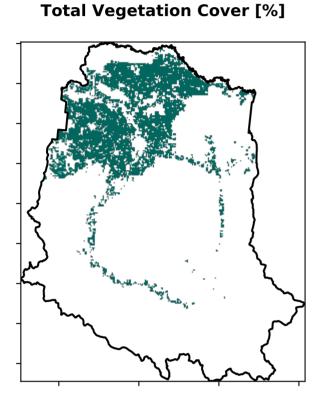
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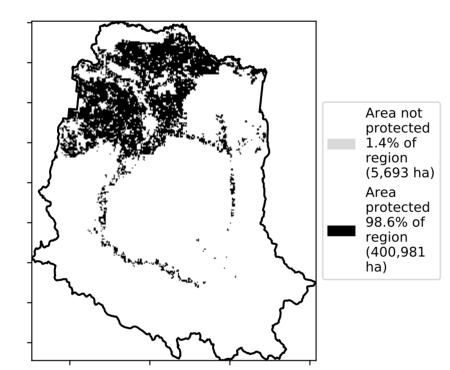
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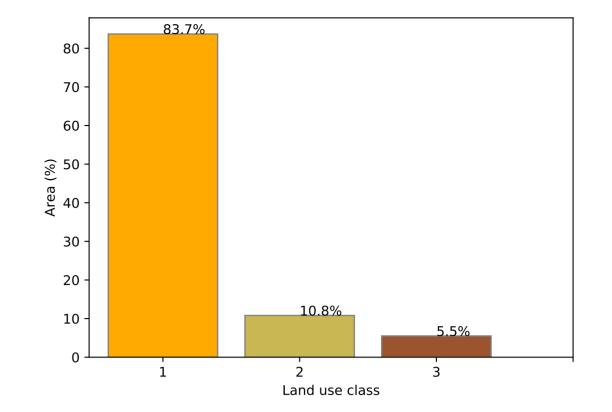
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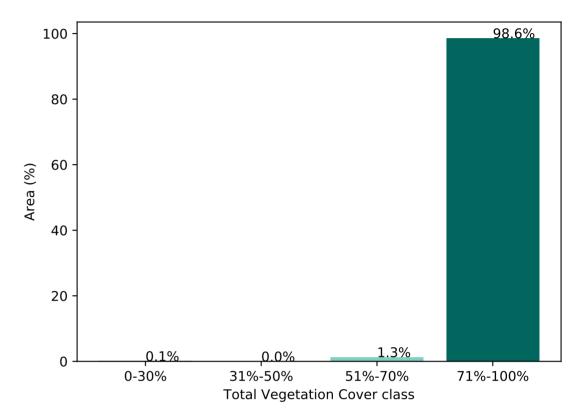




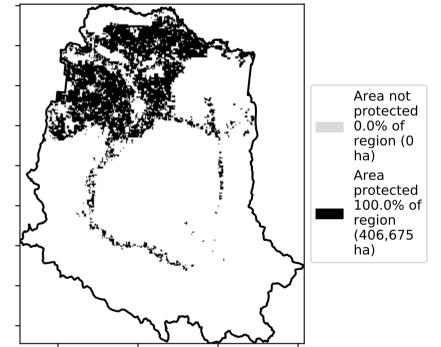


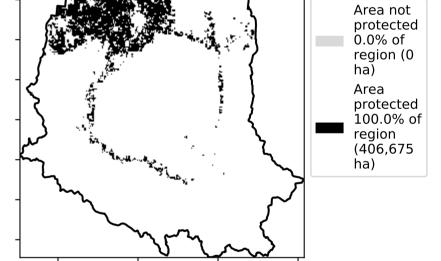
#### Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

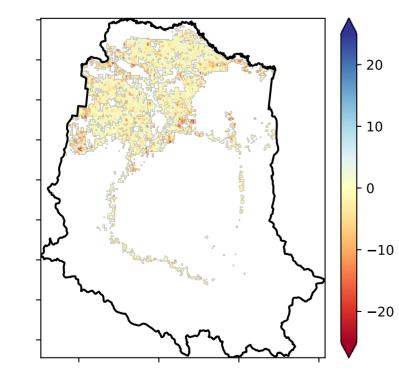


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



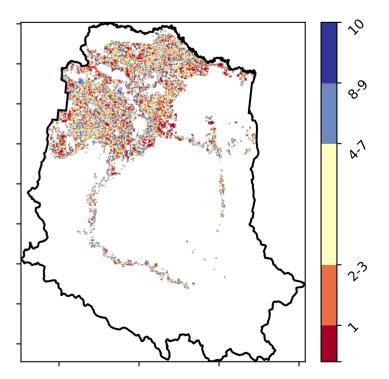


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



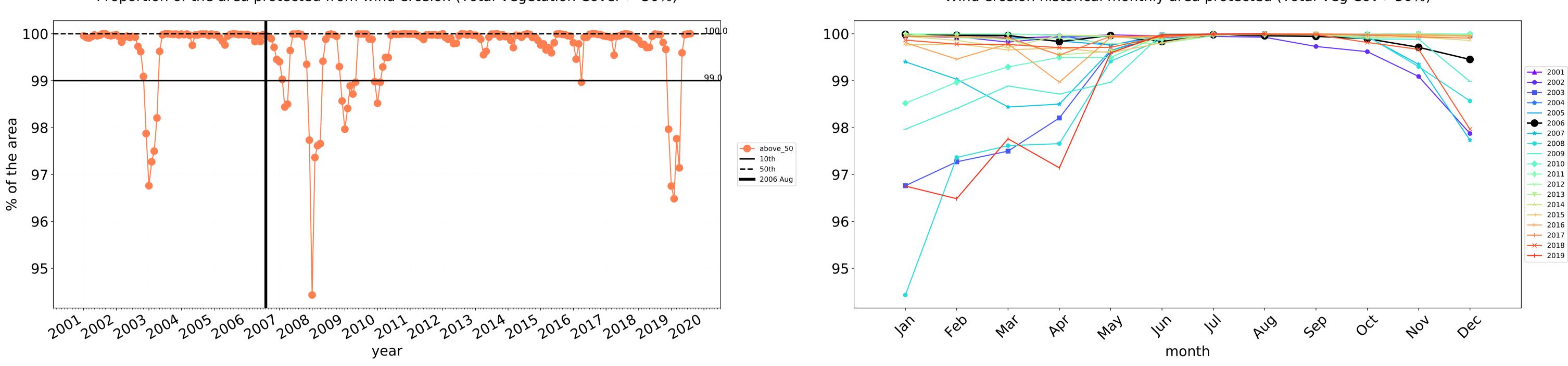
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



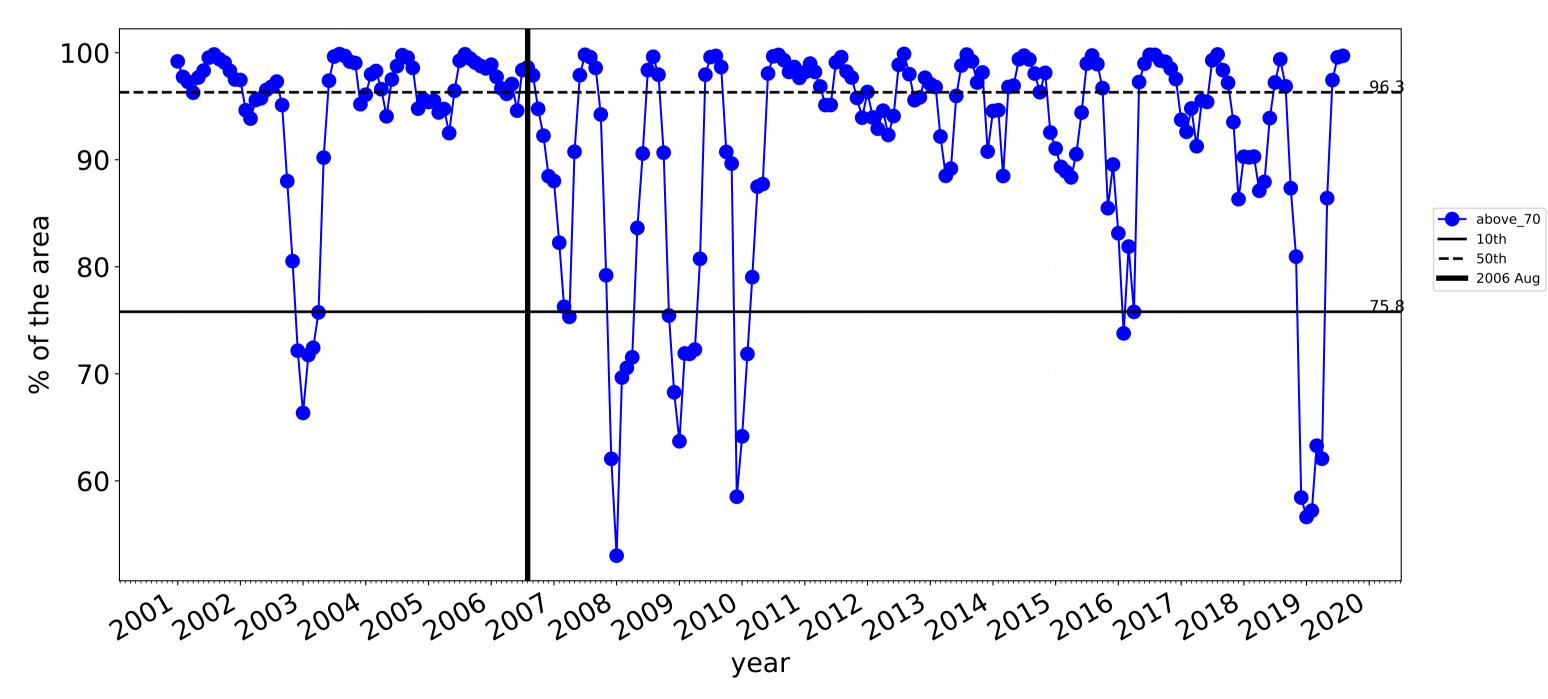


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Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

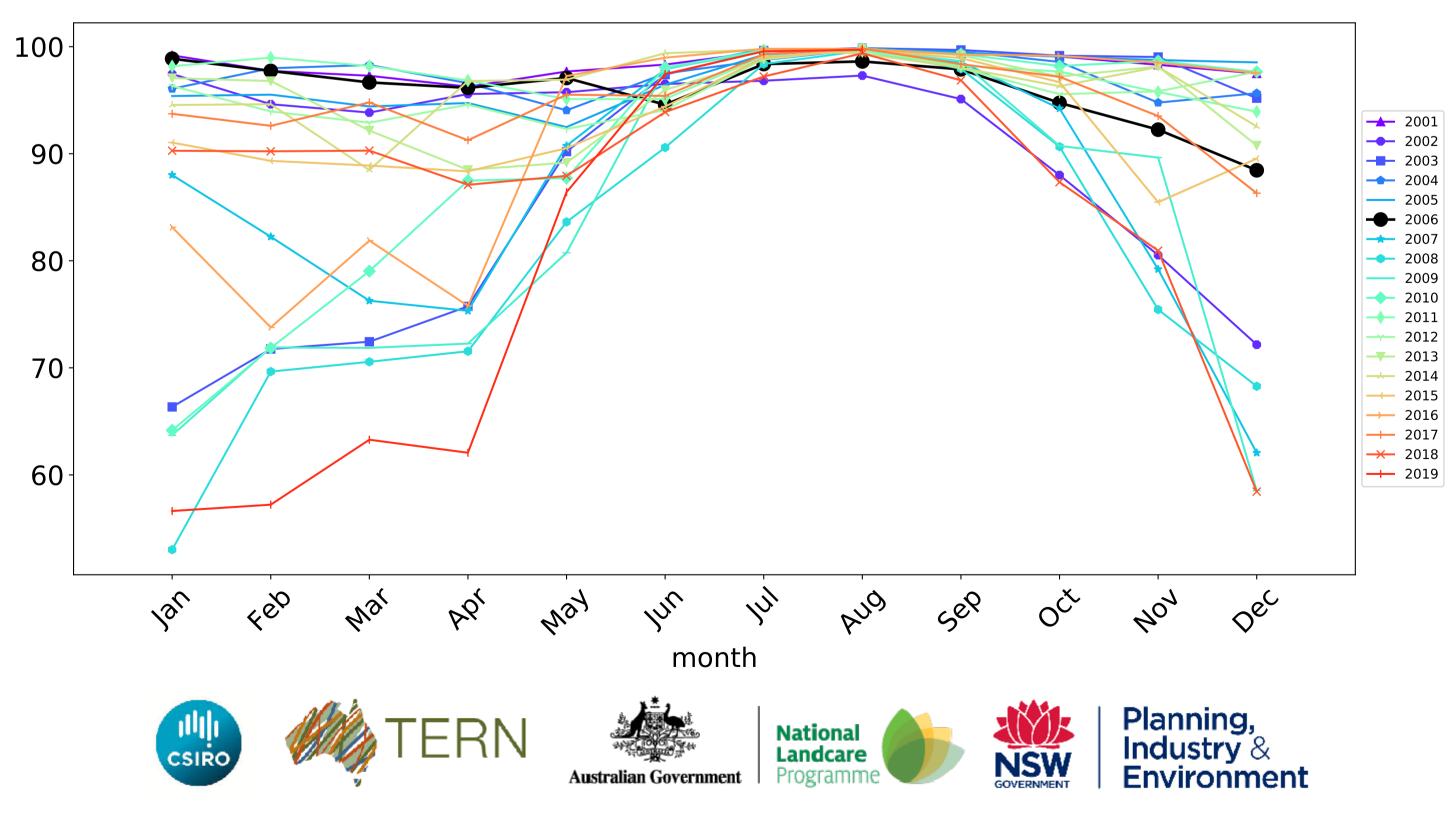
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

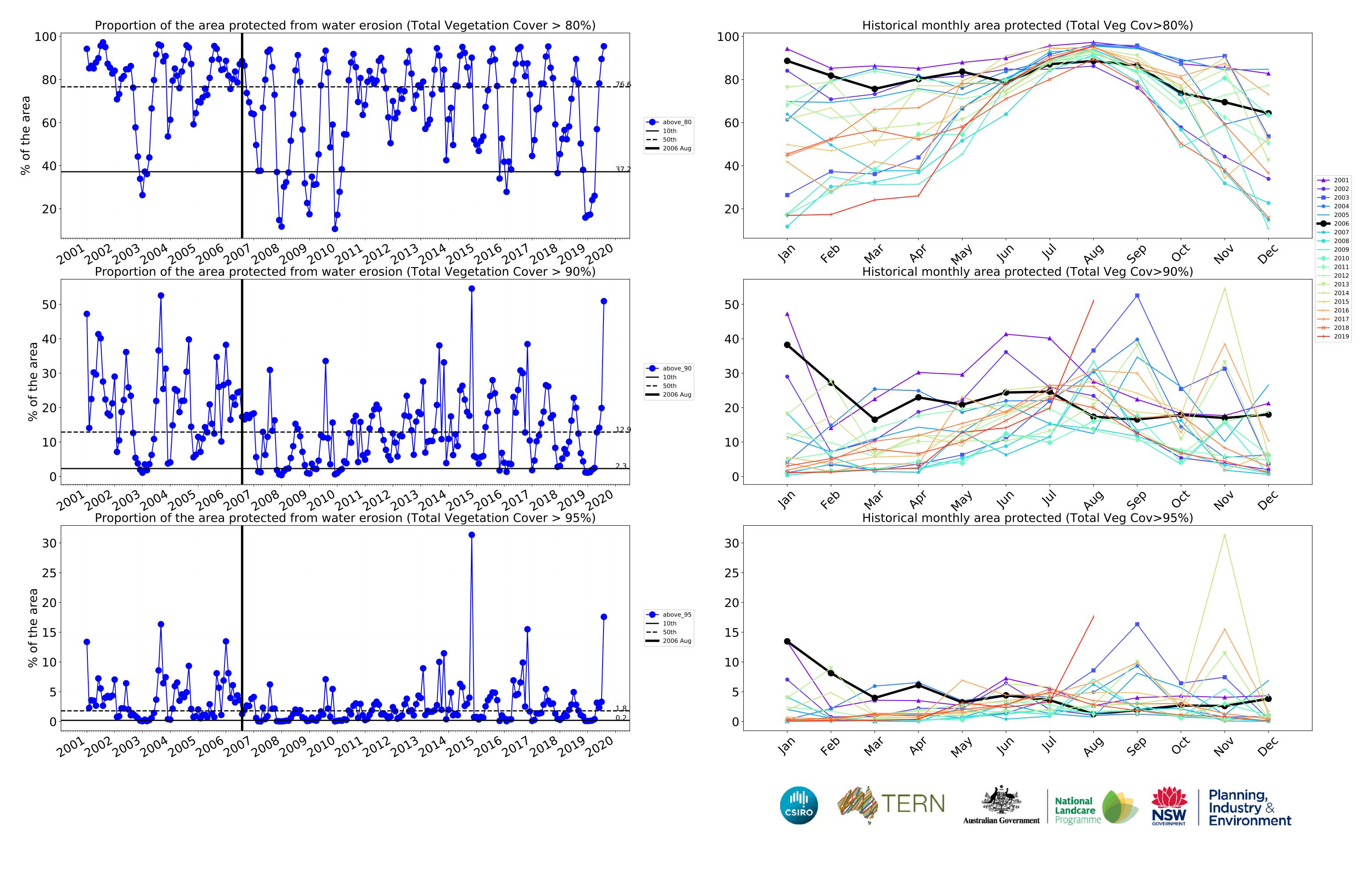


# Irrigation timeseries

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

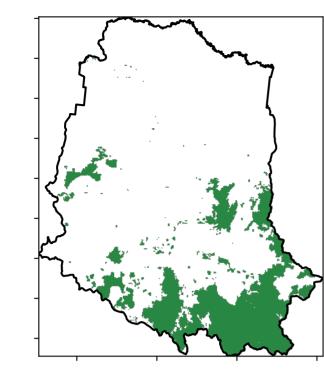
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### **Production native forests and plantation forests**

Land use and forest cover



1 Production native forests and plantation forests

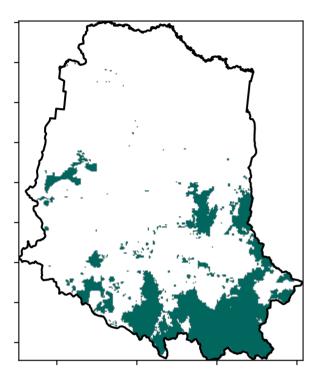
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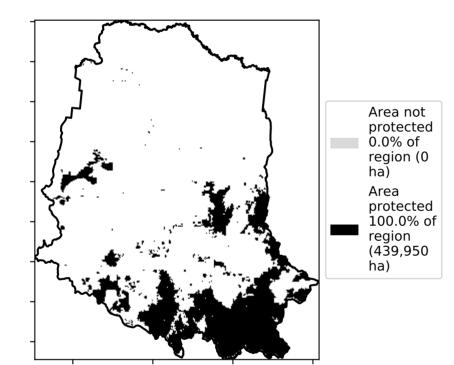
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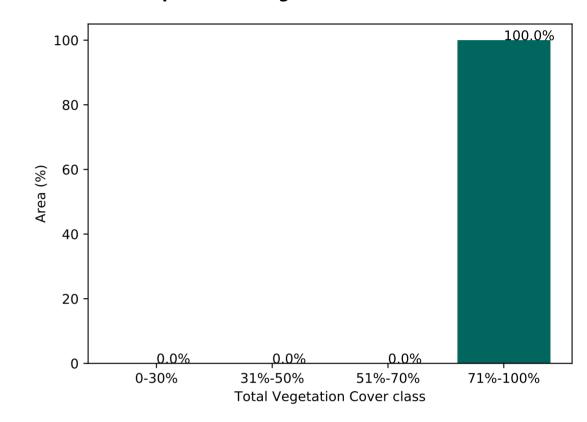
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 







Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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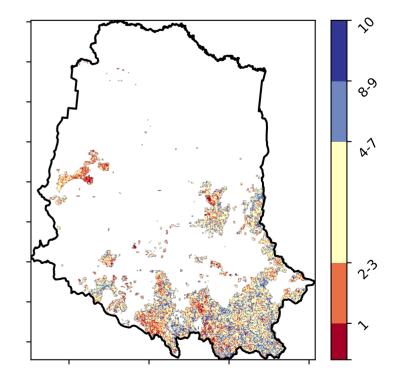
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





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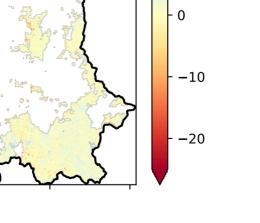
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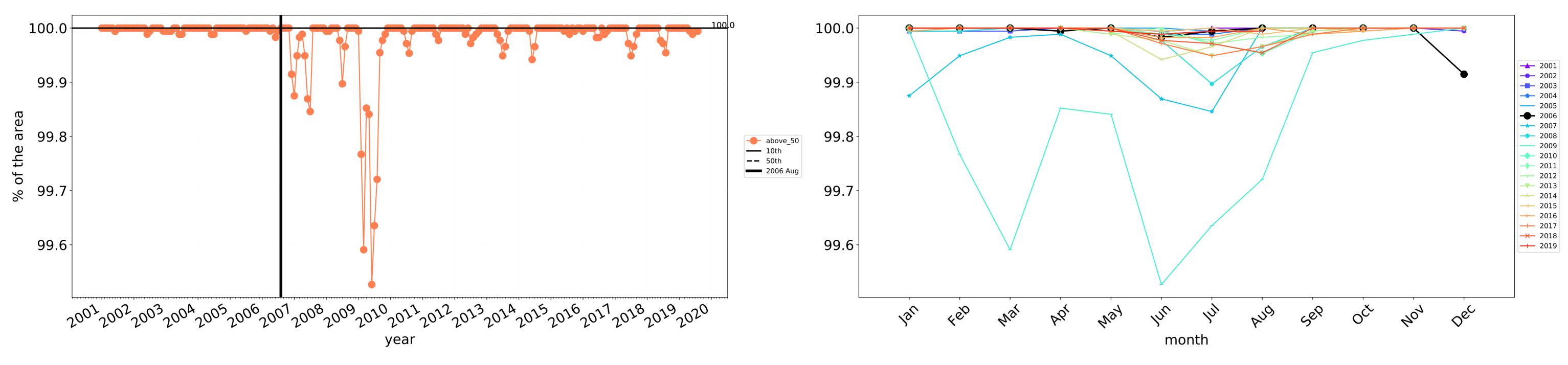
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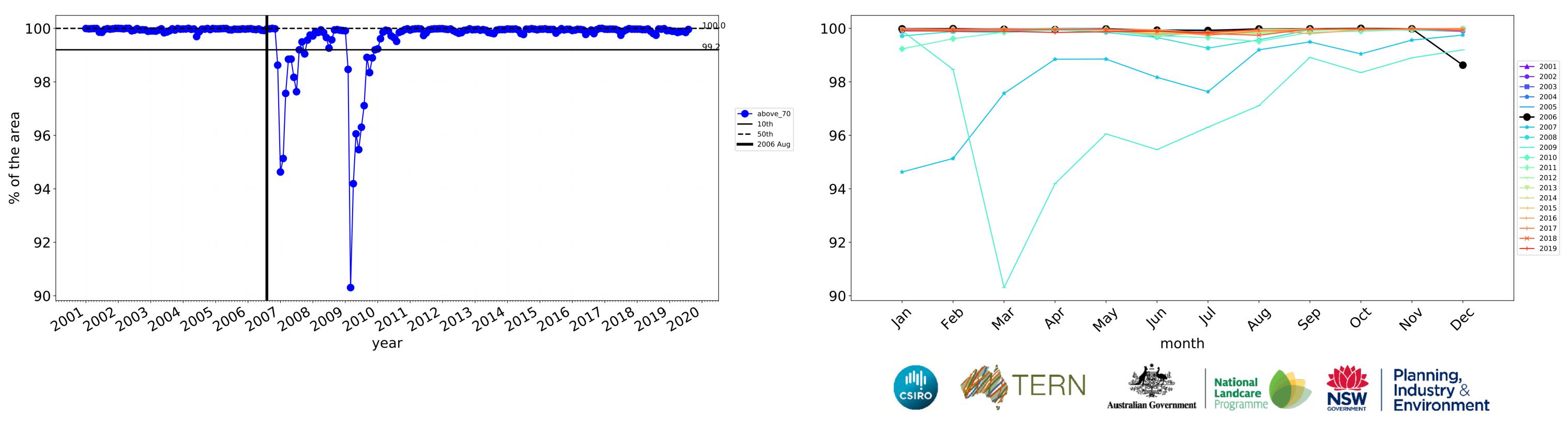


## Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries



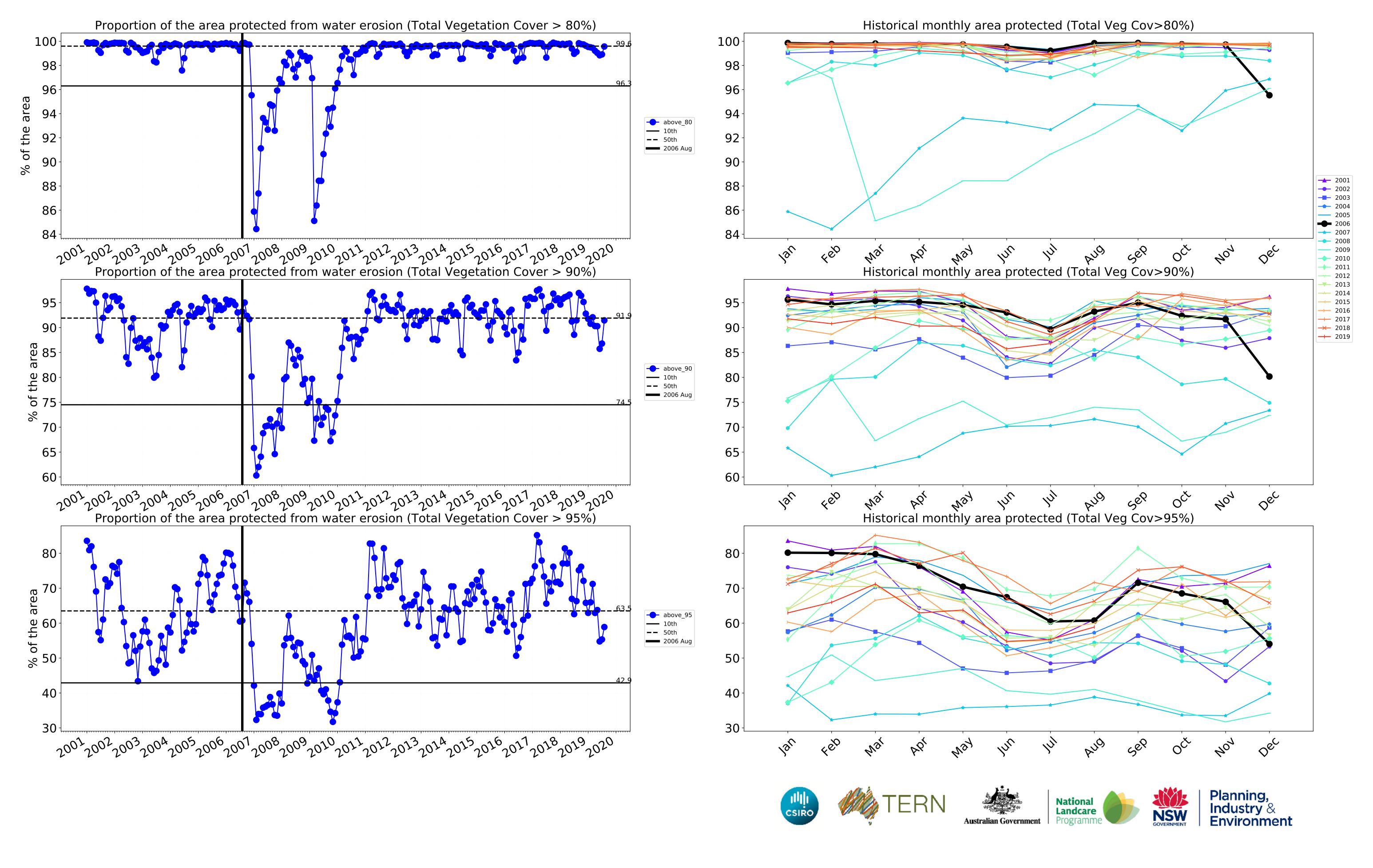
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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%)



# Goulburn Broken (2,394,450 ha and no data 13,013 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	2,394,450	100.0% 2,394,100	99.9% 2,392,700	98.9% 2,367,652	93.0% 2,226,017	54.2% 1,296,714	19.3% 463,051
Conservation and natural environments	235,525	99.9% 235,400	99.8% 235,100	99.3% 233,900	97.8% 230,400	73.0% 172,050	25.3% 59,600
Conservation and natural environments non forest	42,275	99.7% 42,150	99.1% 41,875	97.3% 41,125	92.2% 38,975	52.5% 22,200	8.5% 3,600
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	172,175	100.0% 172,175	100.0% 172,150	99.8% 171,750	99.1% 170,625	80.0% 137,700	31.6% 54,350
Agriculture	1,575,800	100.0% 1,575,775	100.0% 1,575,425	98.9% 1,558,350	91.1% 1,435,975	41.9% 659,925	7.9% 124,225
Grazing	966,800	100.0% 966,800	100.0% 966,675	99.5% 962,225	96.2% 930,200	57.6% 557,275	11.8% 114,000
Grazing non forest	892,675	100.0% 892,675	100.0% 892,550	99.5% 888,125	95.9% 856,275	55.9% 499,200	10.2% 91,350
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	64,725	100.0% 64,725	100.0% 64,725	100.0% 64,700	99.8% 64,600	80.9% 52,375	32.7% 21,150
Cropping	190,050	100.0% 190,050	100.0% 189,975	96.2% 182,875	70.4% 133,875	13.2% 25,125	2.0% 3,800
Irrigation	406,675	100.0% 406,650	100.0% 406,500	98.6% 401,075	88.6% 360,250	17.3% 70,525	1.3% 5,100
Production native forests and plantation forests	439,950	100.0% 439,950	100.0% 439,950	100.0% 439,850	99.8% 439,275	93.2% 410,050	60.7% 267,225

