# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Wimmera VIC

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

Land use forest cover:

Date: August 2008

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

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

- 71-100% High cover protected from wind and usually water erosion (high rainfall, steep slopes, and erodible soils may need greater than 80, 90, 95 and up to 100% cover)
  - 51-70% Moderate cover protected from wind erosion
  - 31-50% Low cover not protected
  - 0-30% Very Low cover not protected

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

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

- Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares.
- Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares.

Comparison with previous years:

- Map: anomaly comparing this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years.
- Map: deciles rank of month against the same month in previous years.

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

# **Erosion protection**

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

# Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

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

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

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

# **Acknowledgment of data:**

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

https://doi.org/10.4225/08/5848a3f19a7b3











# **Vegetation Cover Aug 2008**

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

Catchment Scale

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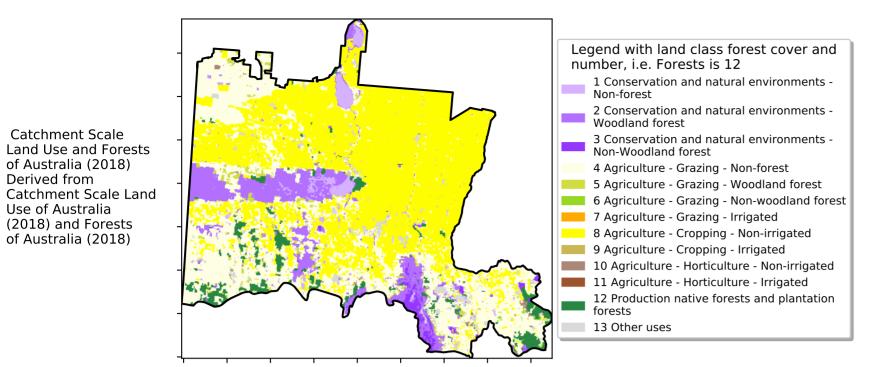
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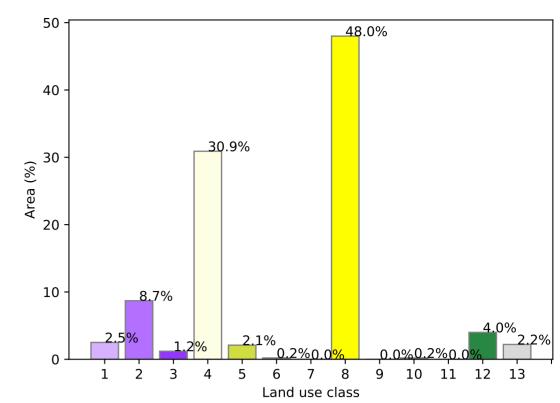
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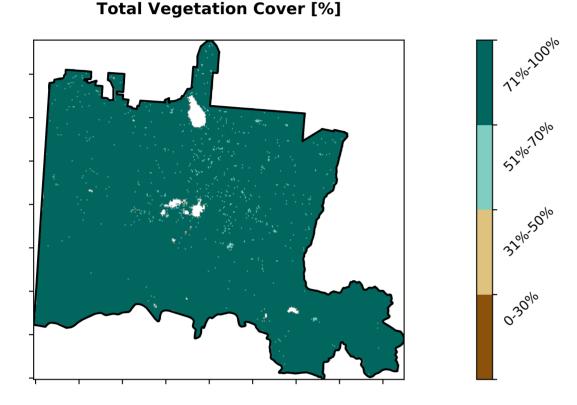
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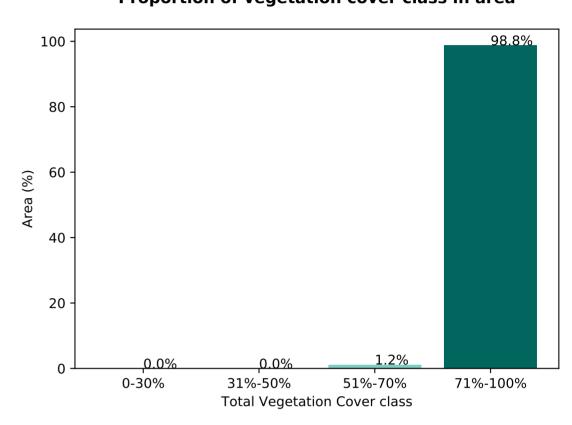


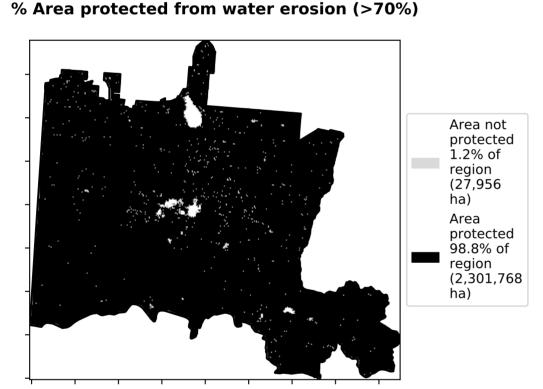
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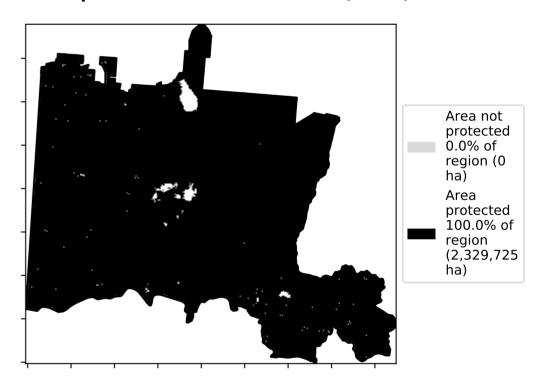


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

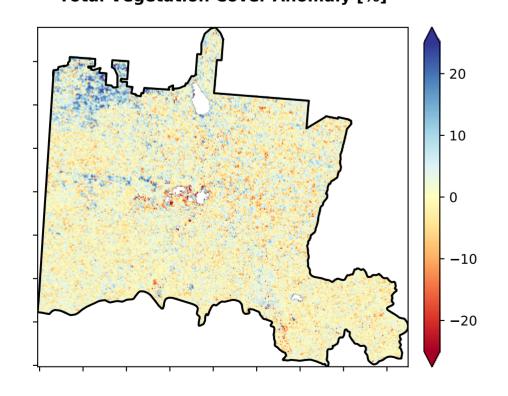




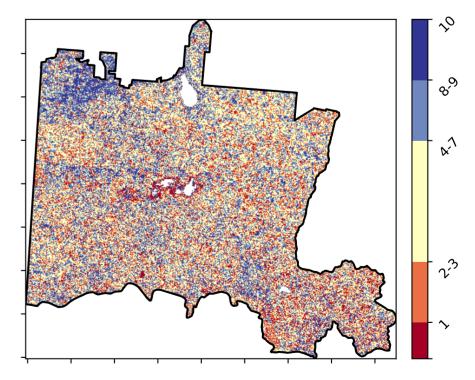
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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



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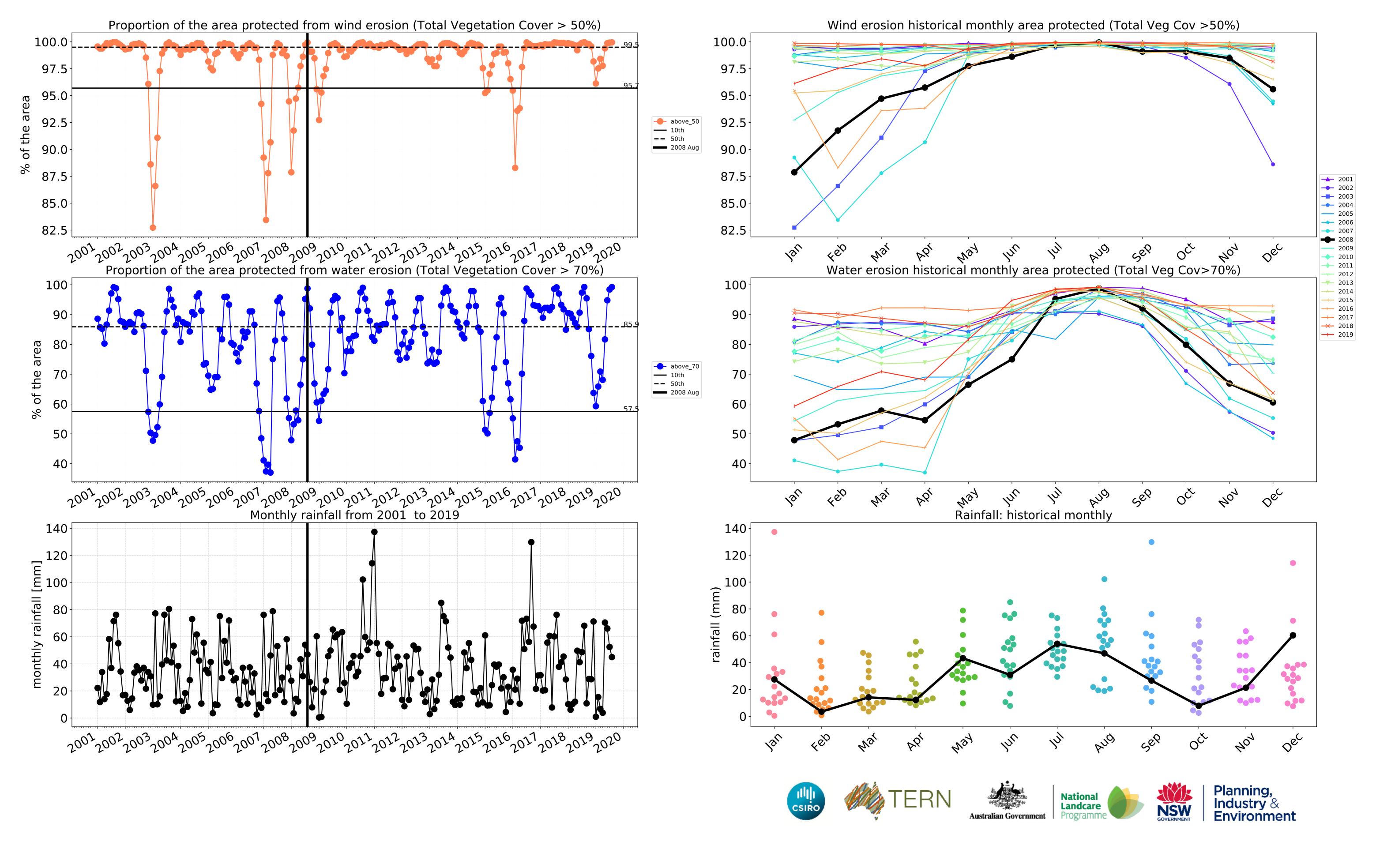






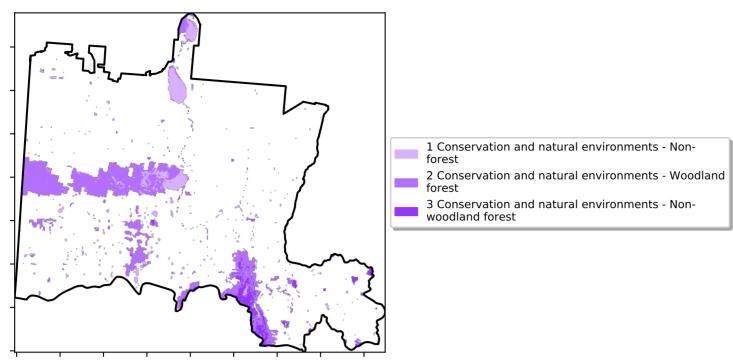






# **Conservation and natural environments**

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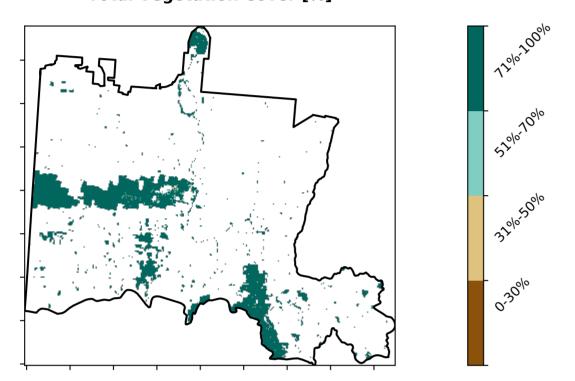
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Proportion of each land class in area

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

**Land use and forest cover** 



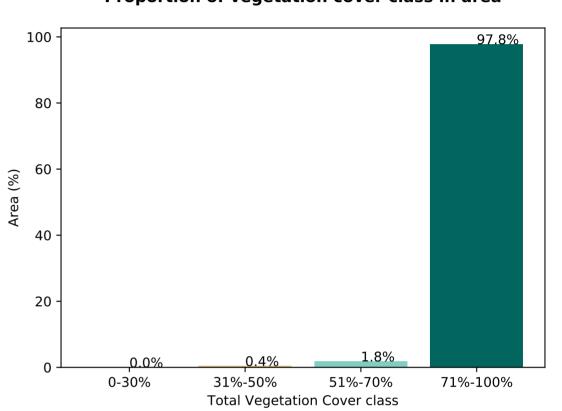
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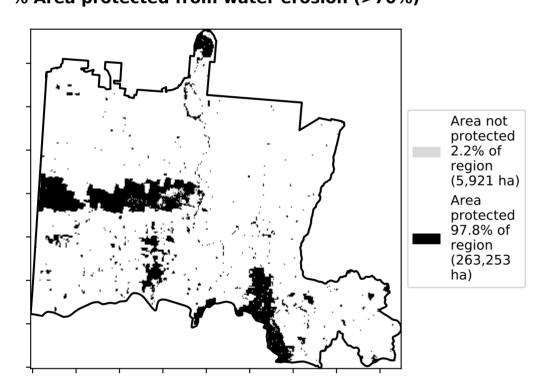
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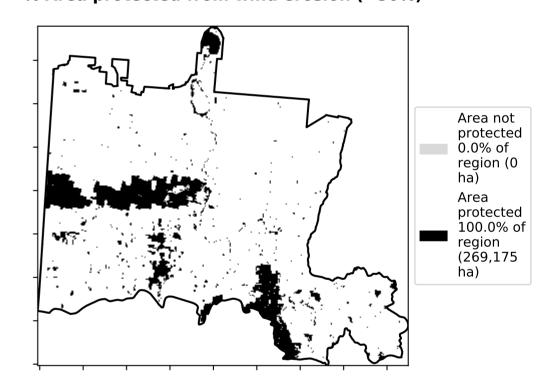
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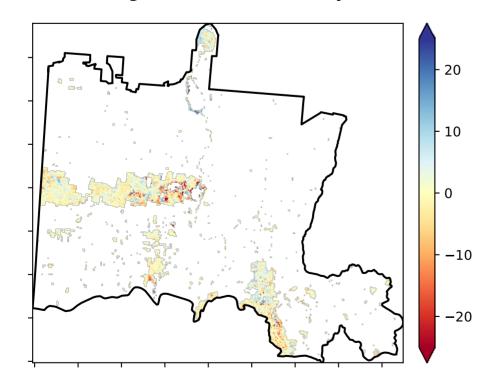
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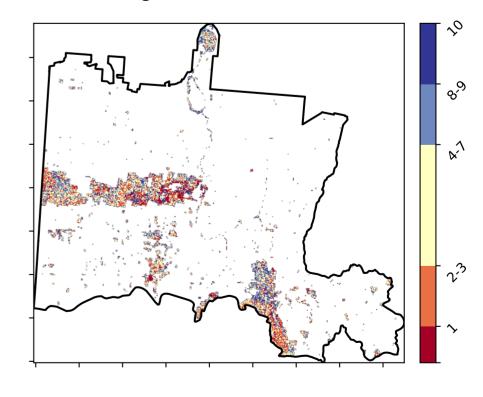


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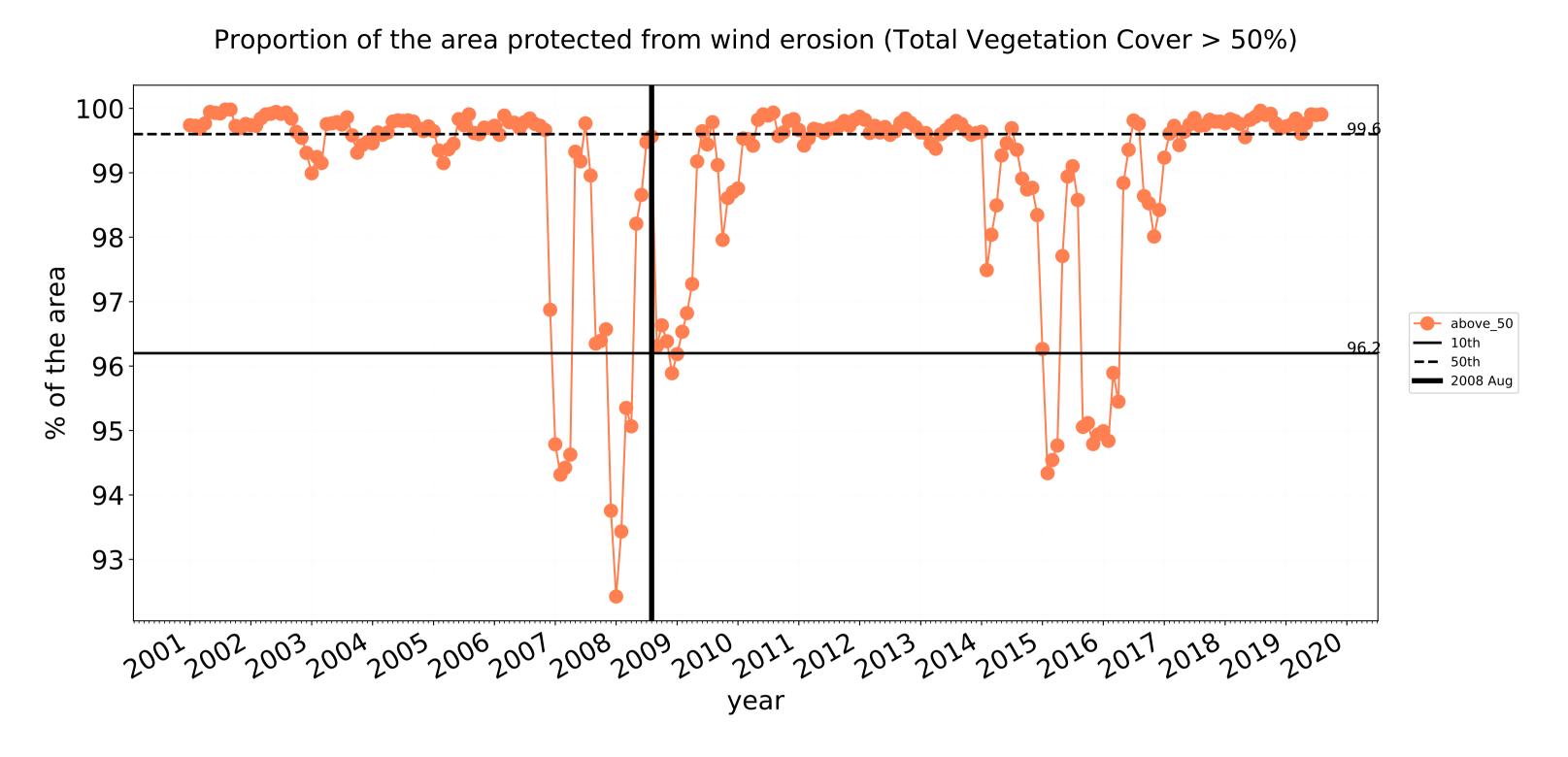


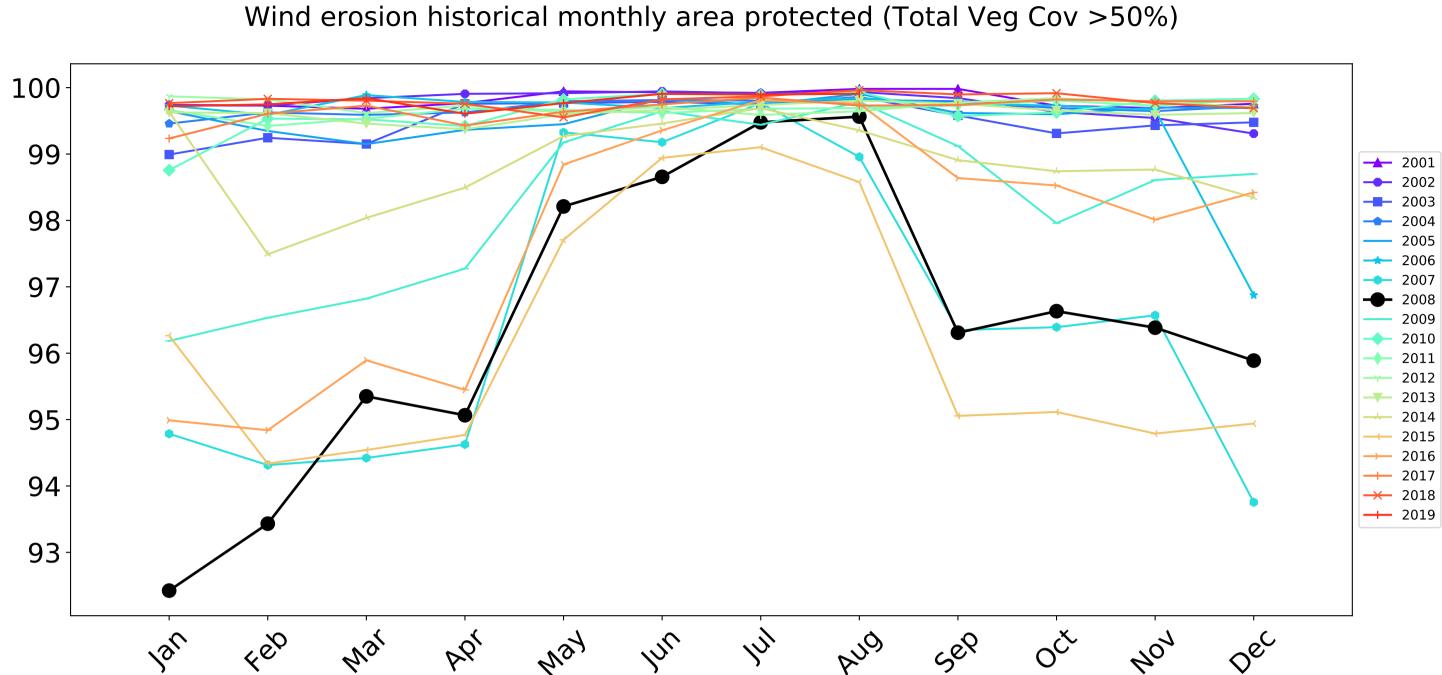






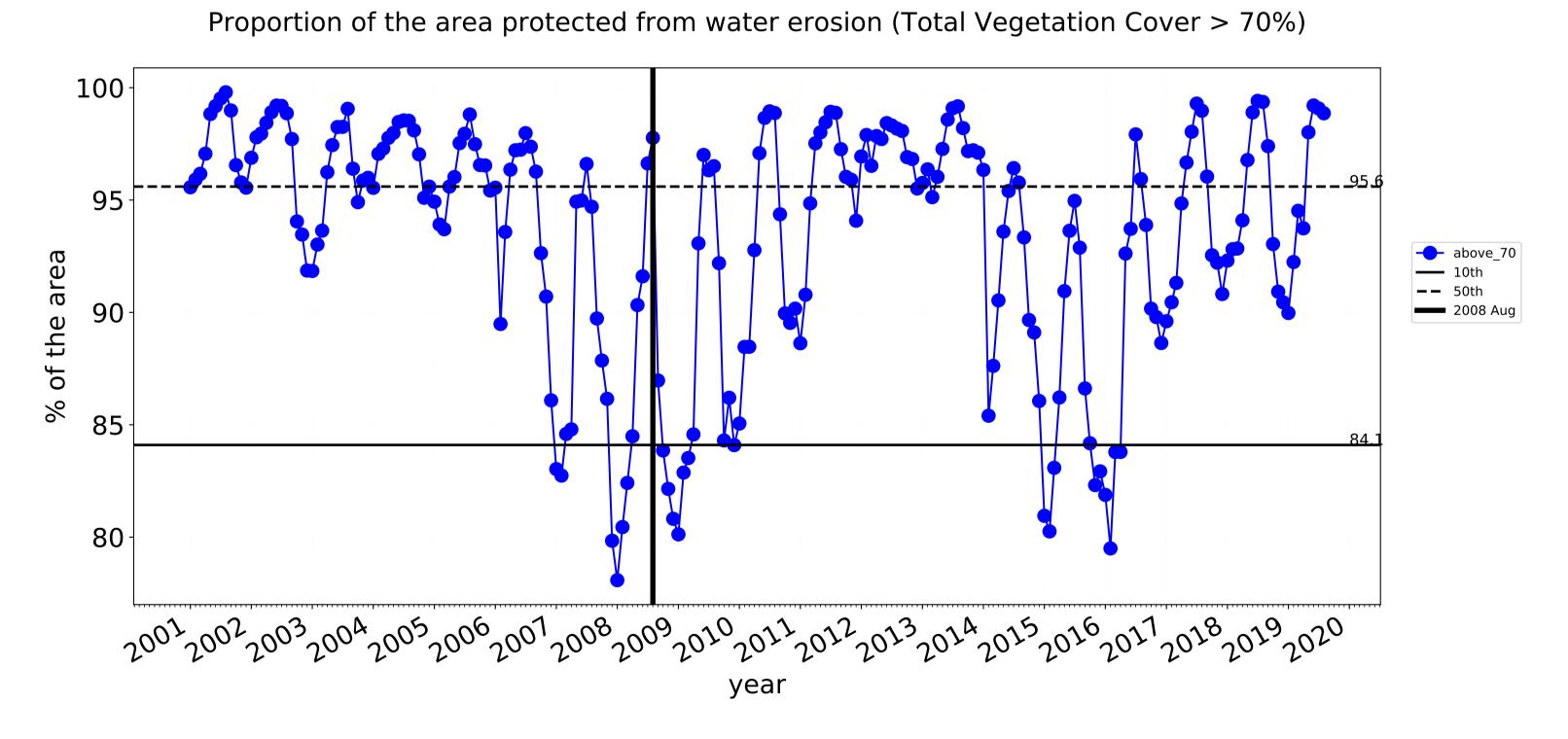
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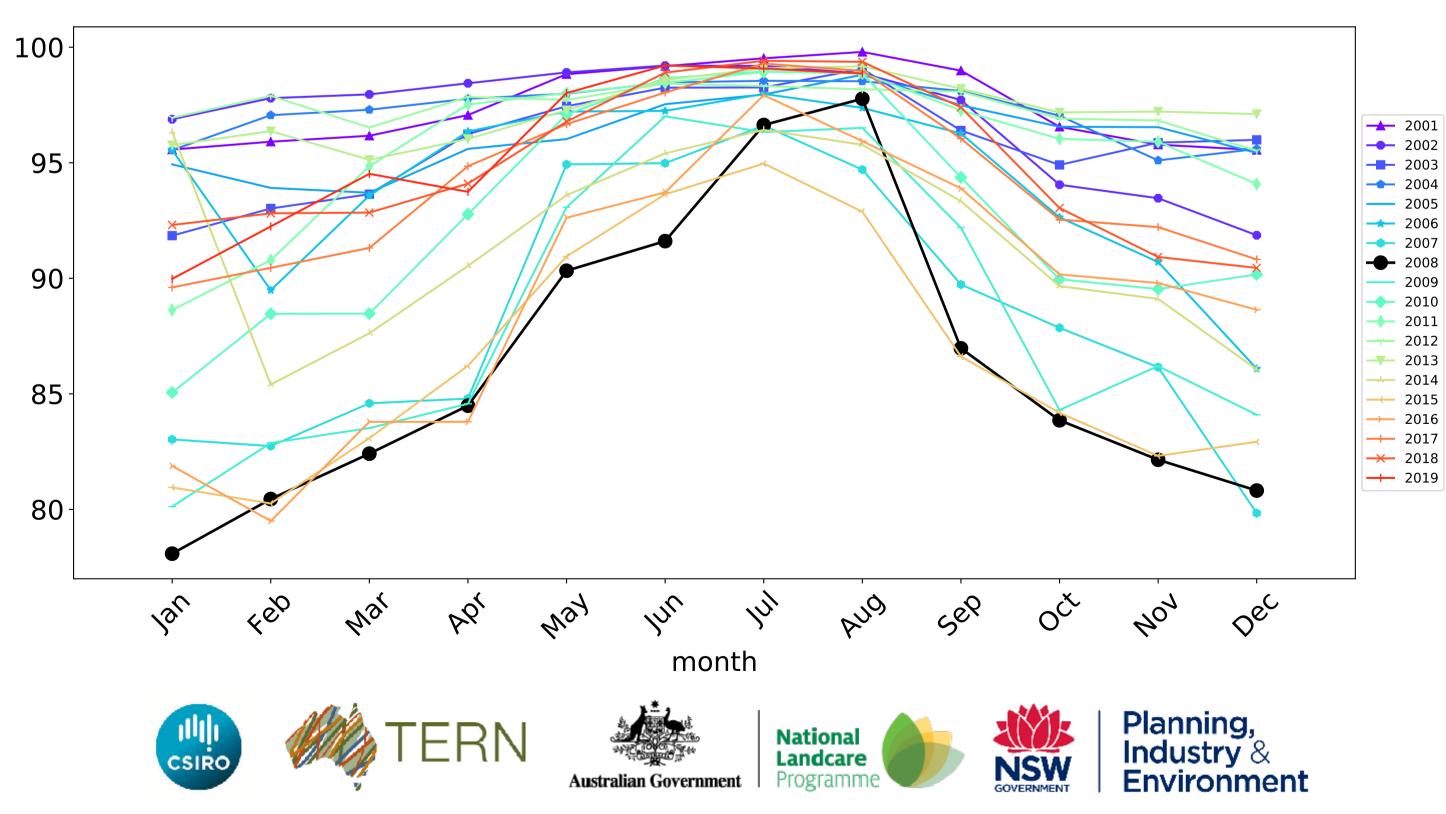




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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)





# **Conservation and natural environments non forest**

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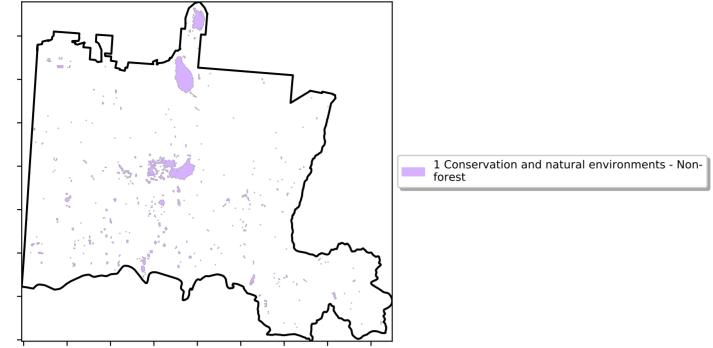
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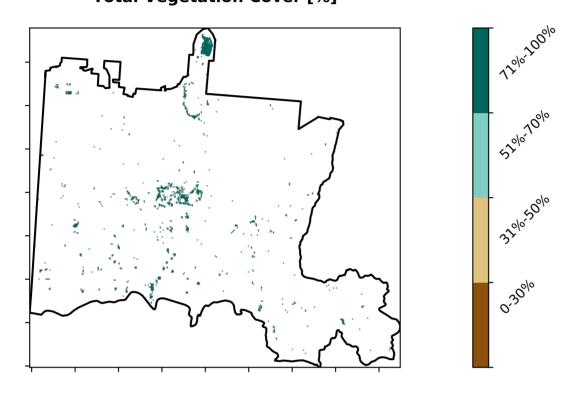
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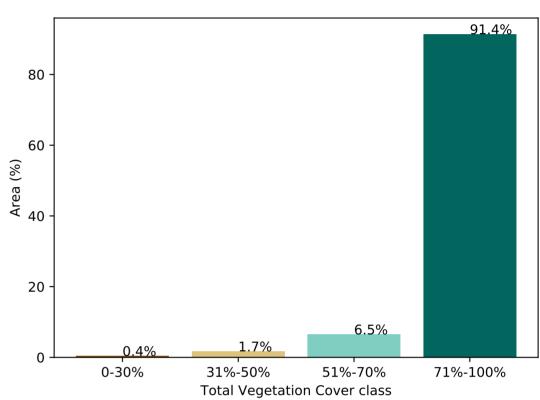
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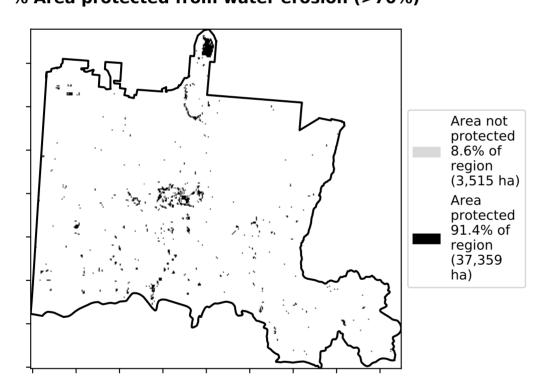
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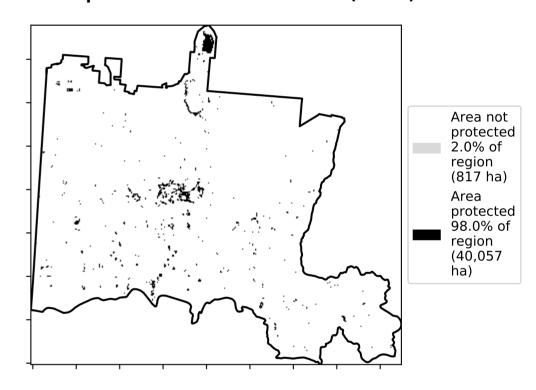
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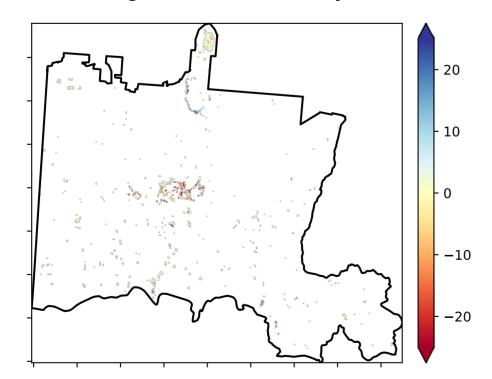
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% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

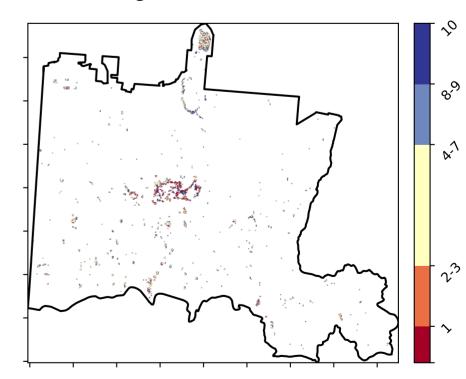


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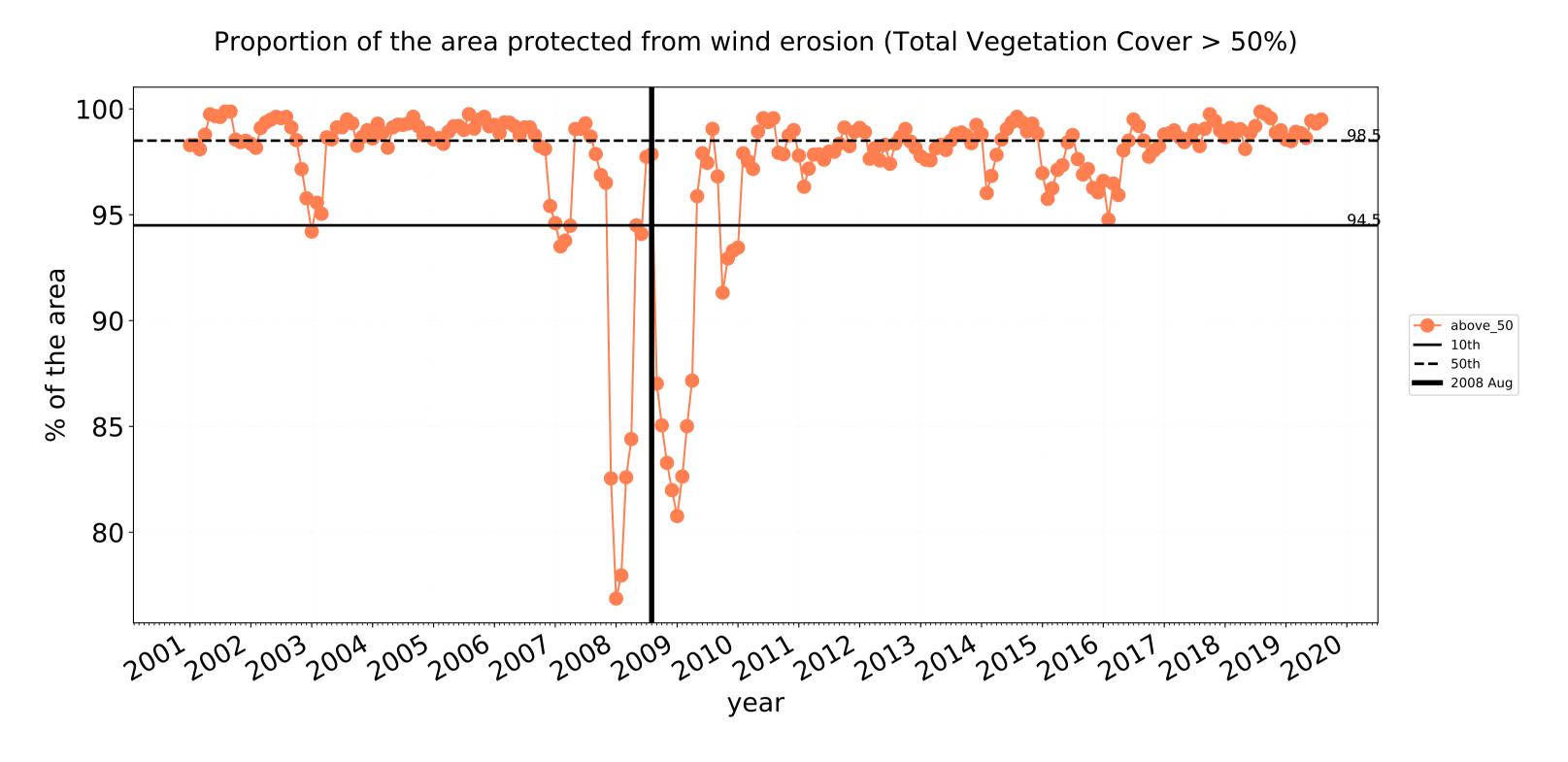


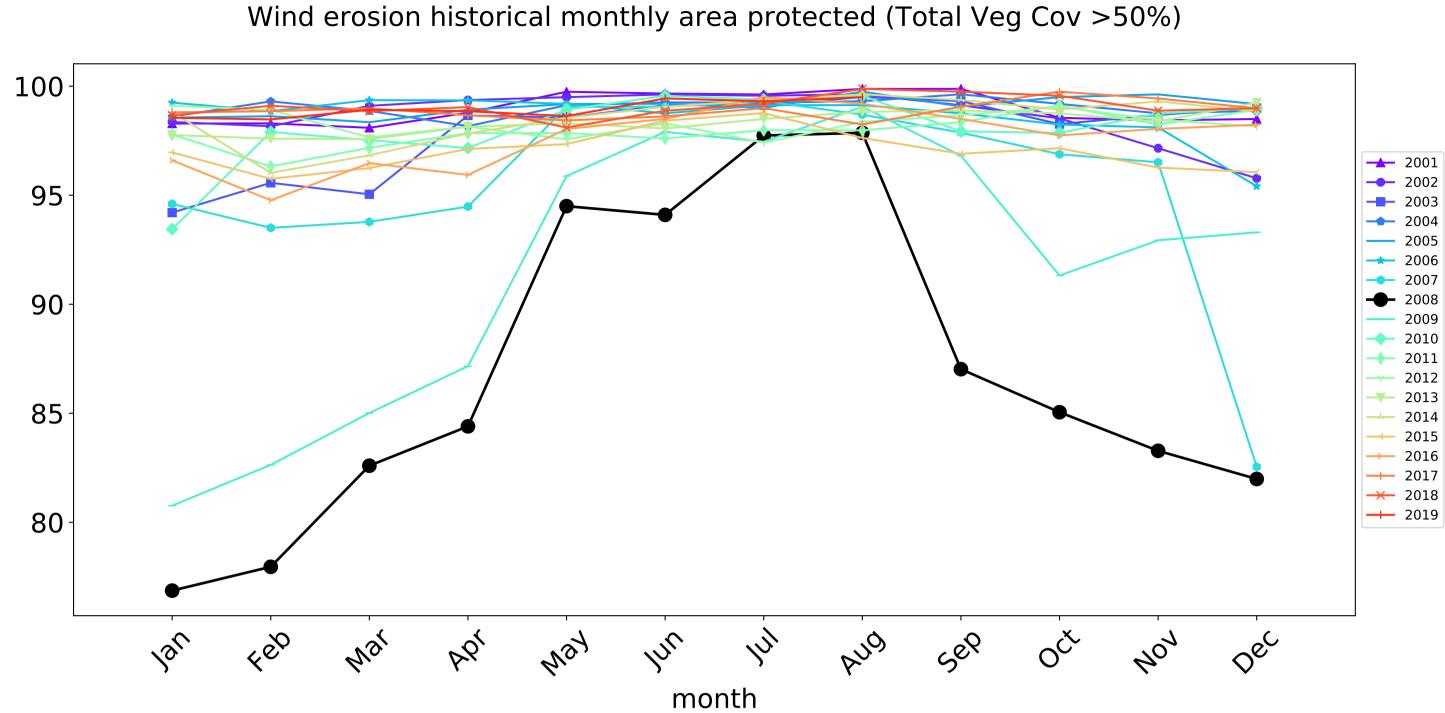


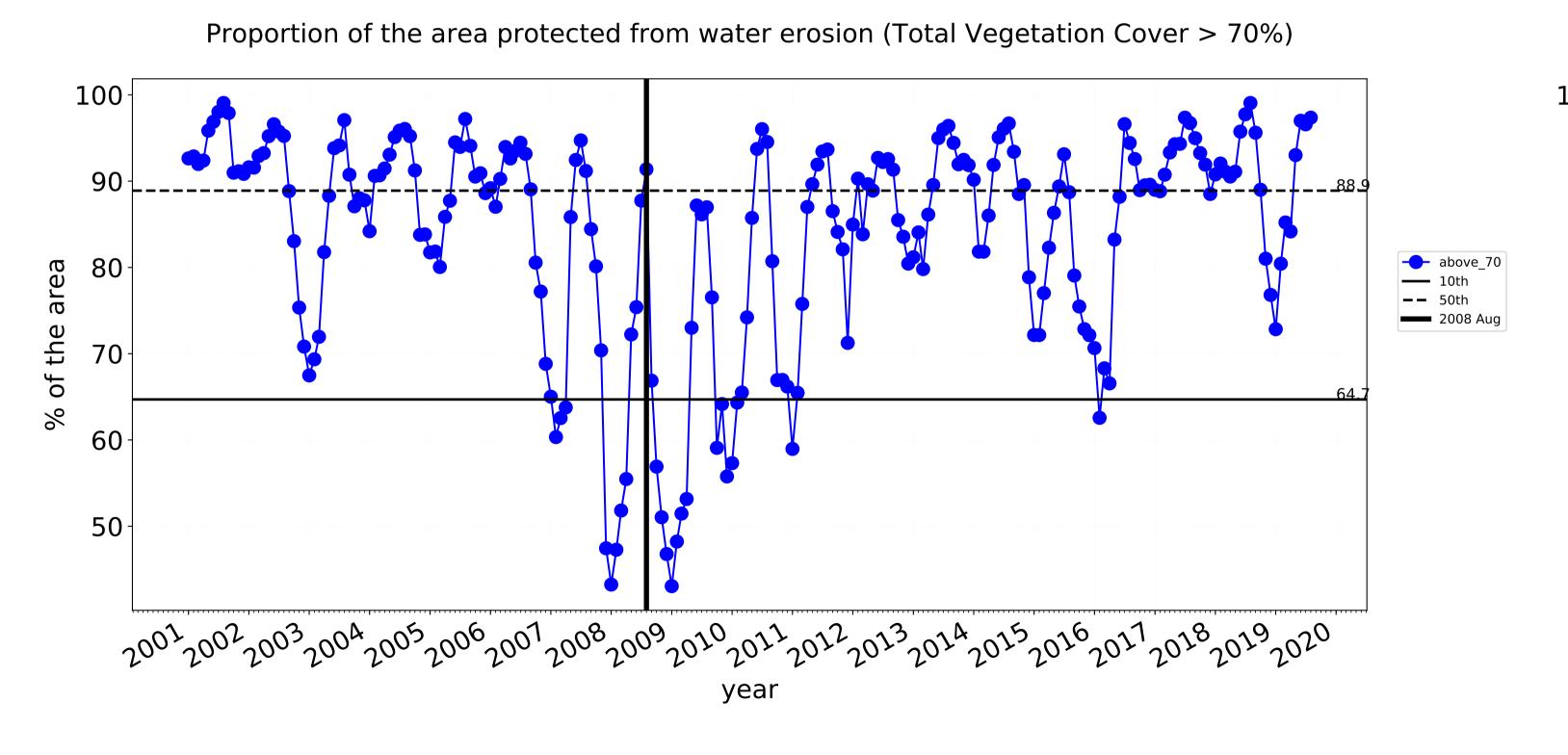


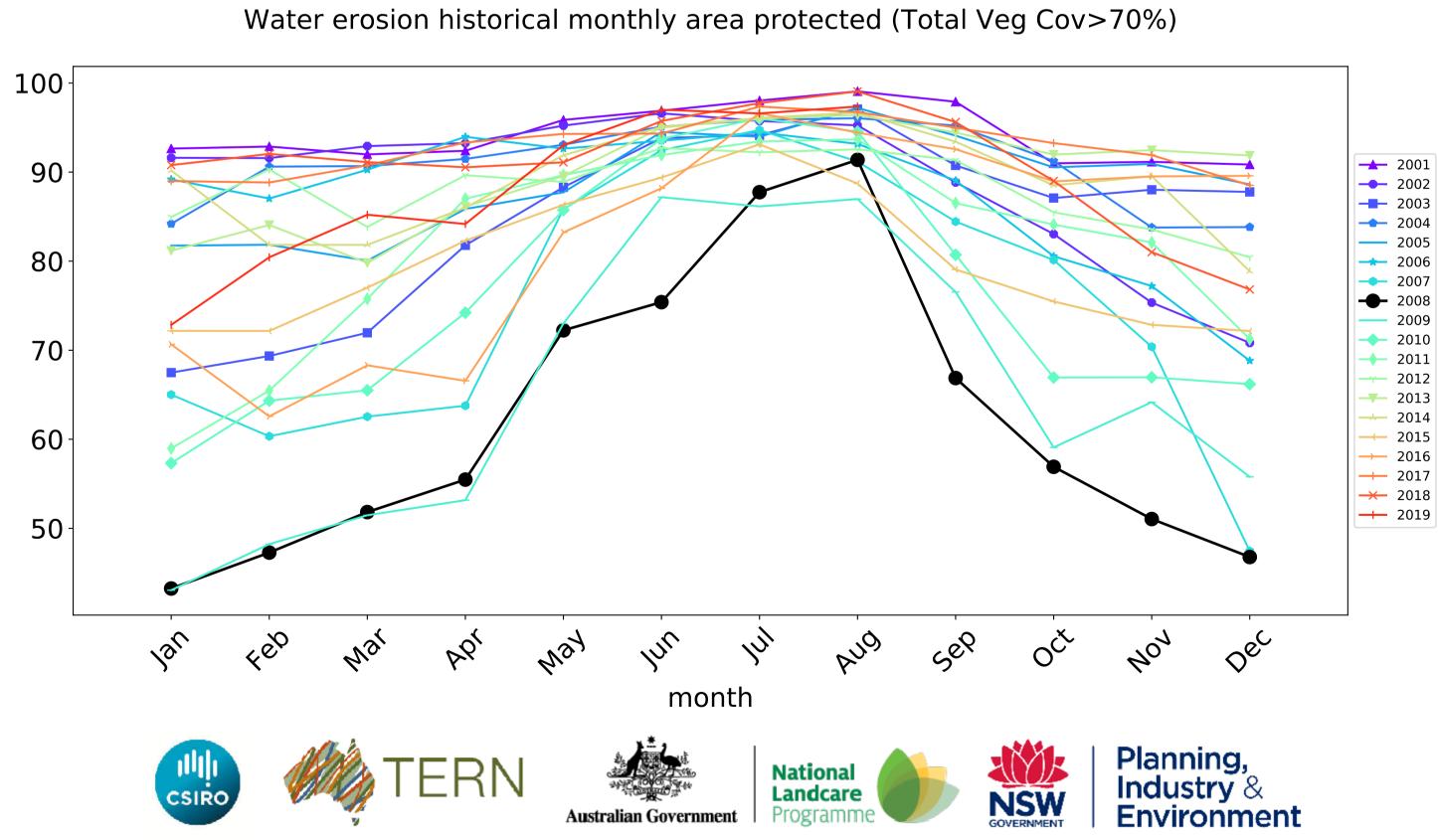


# **Conservation and natural environments non forest timeseries**









# **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest**

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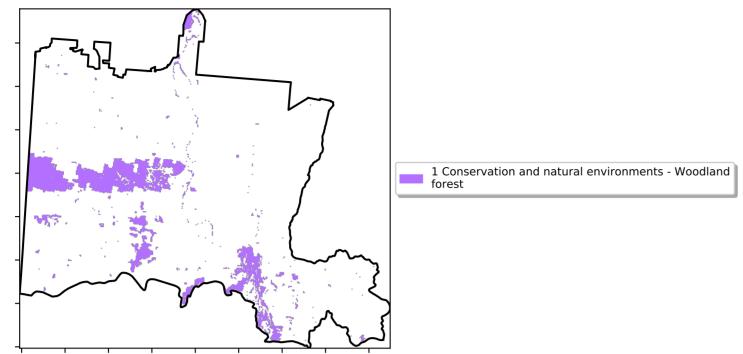
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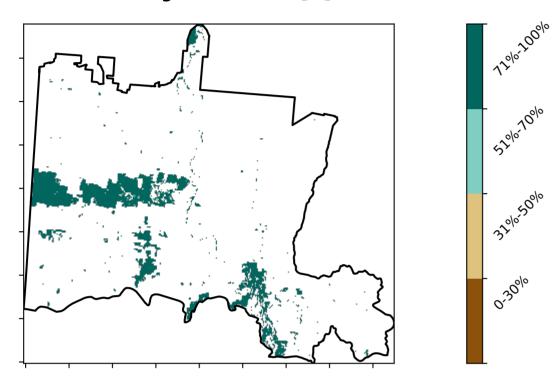
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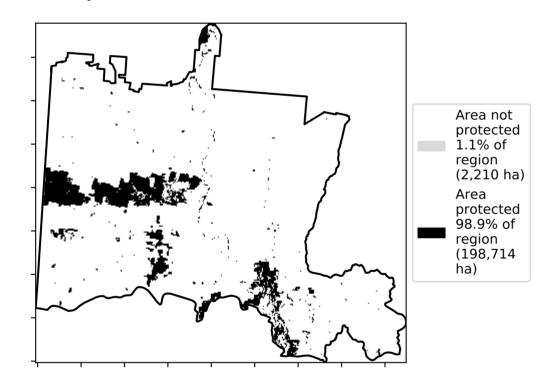
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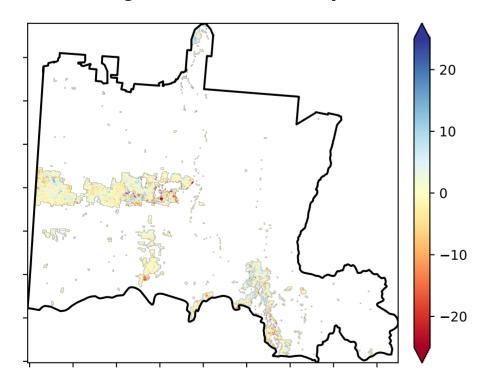
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



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

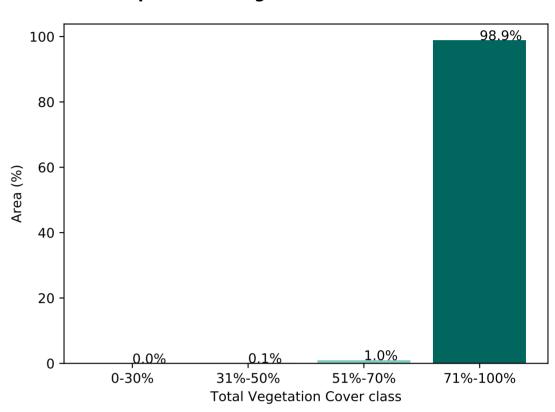


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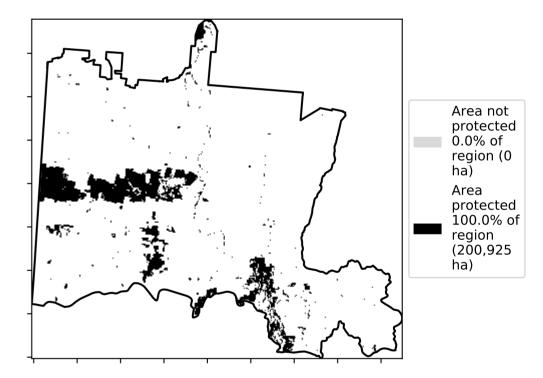


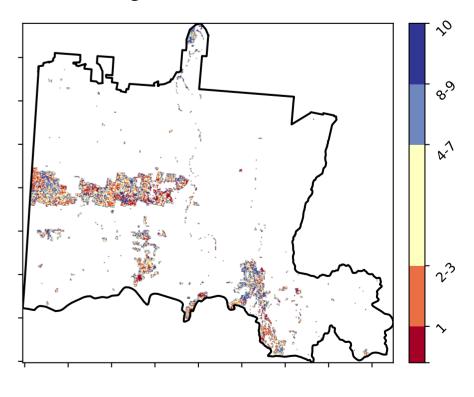
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### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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







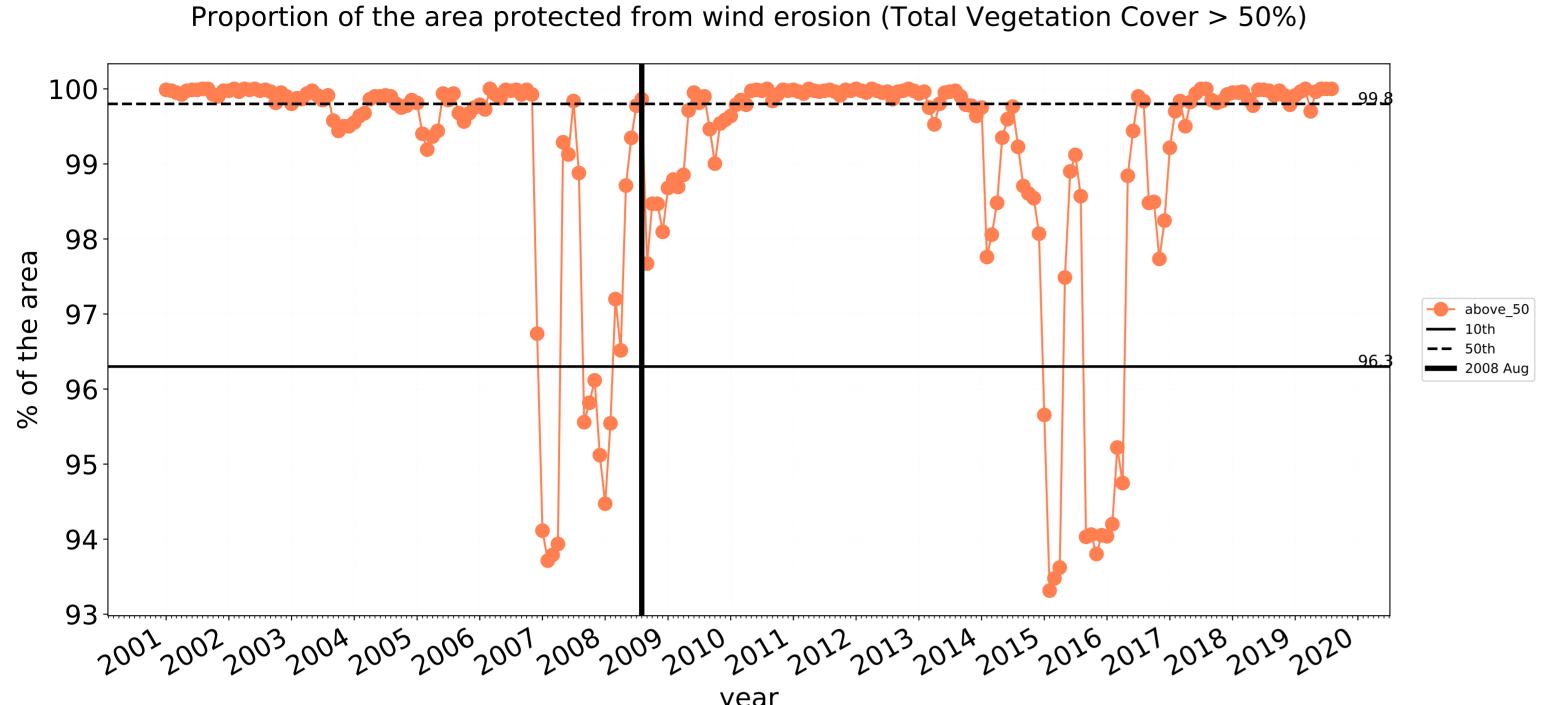


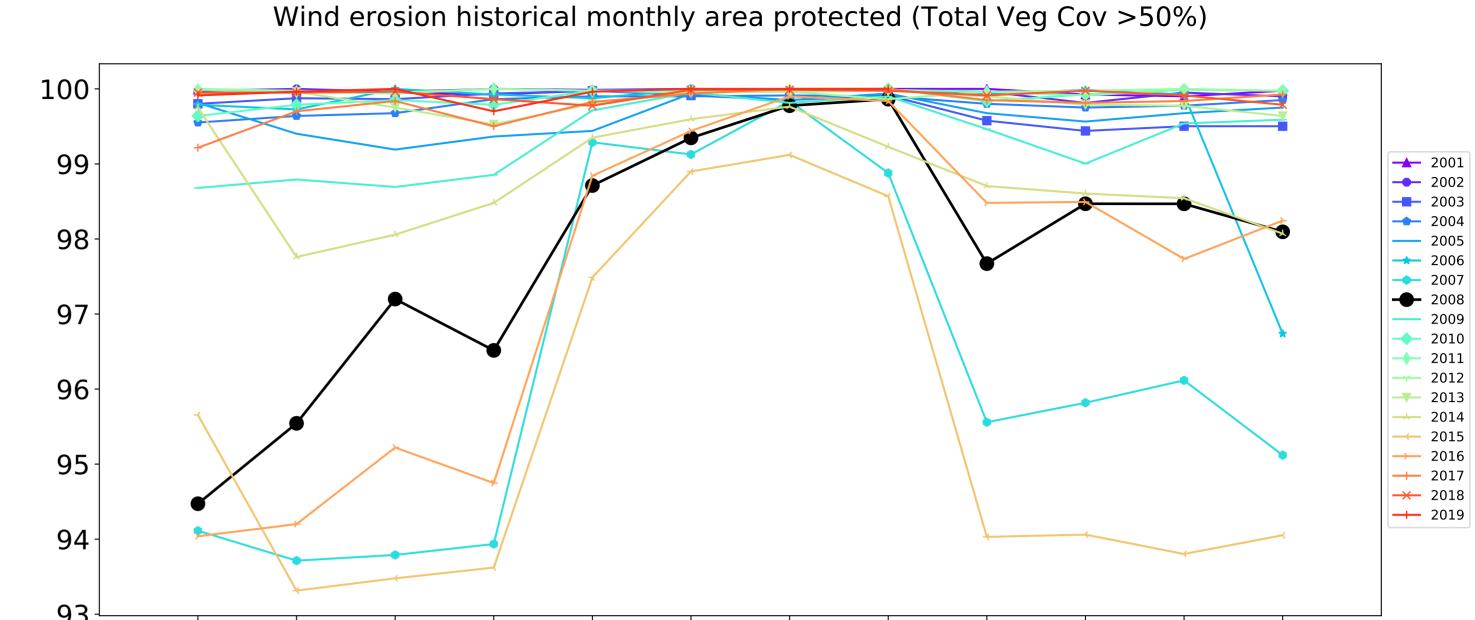




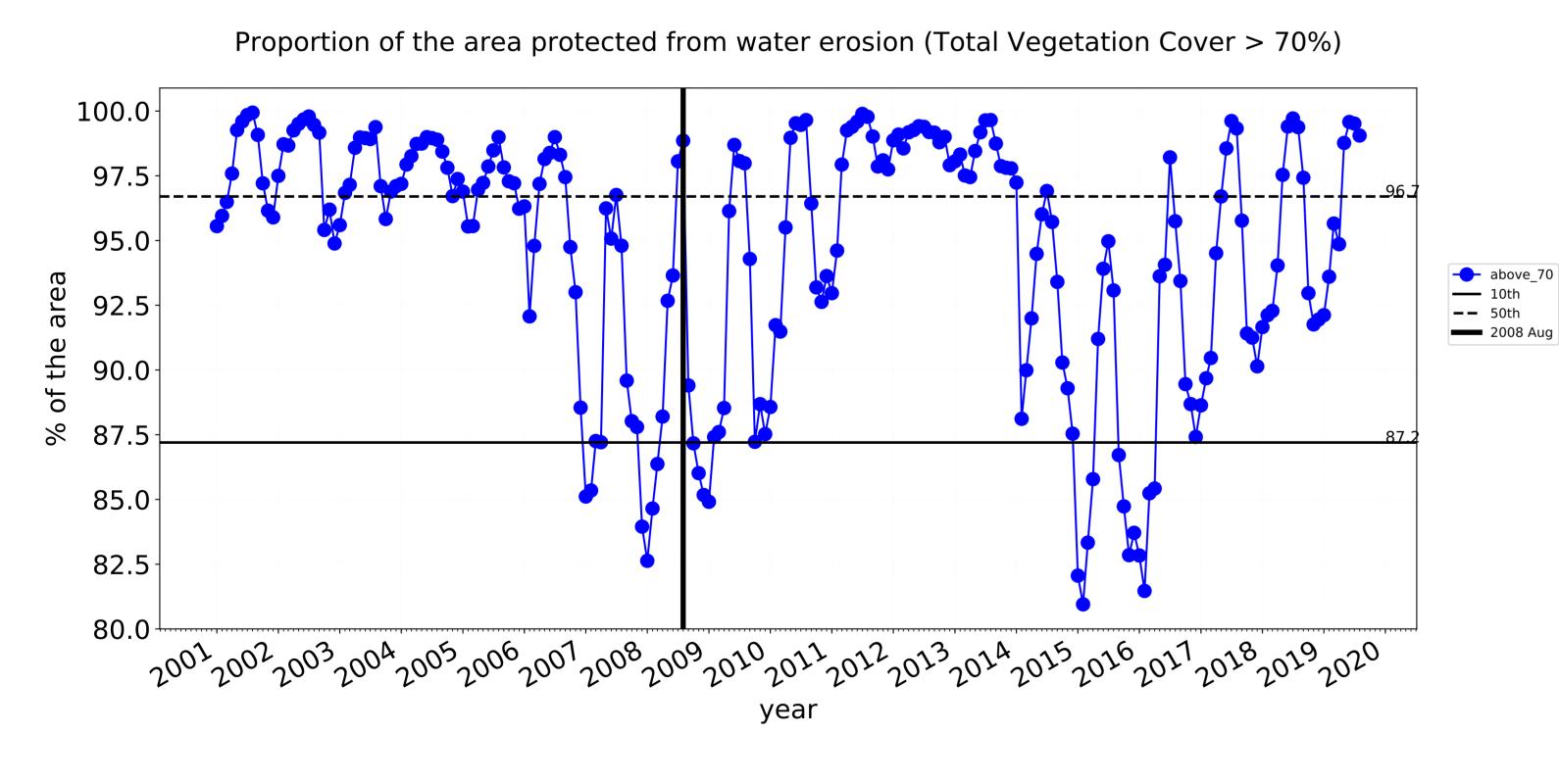


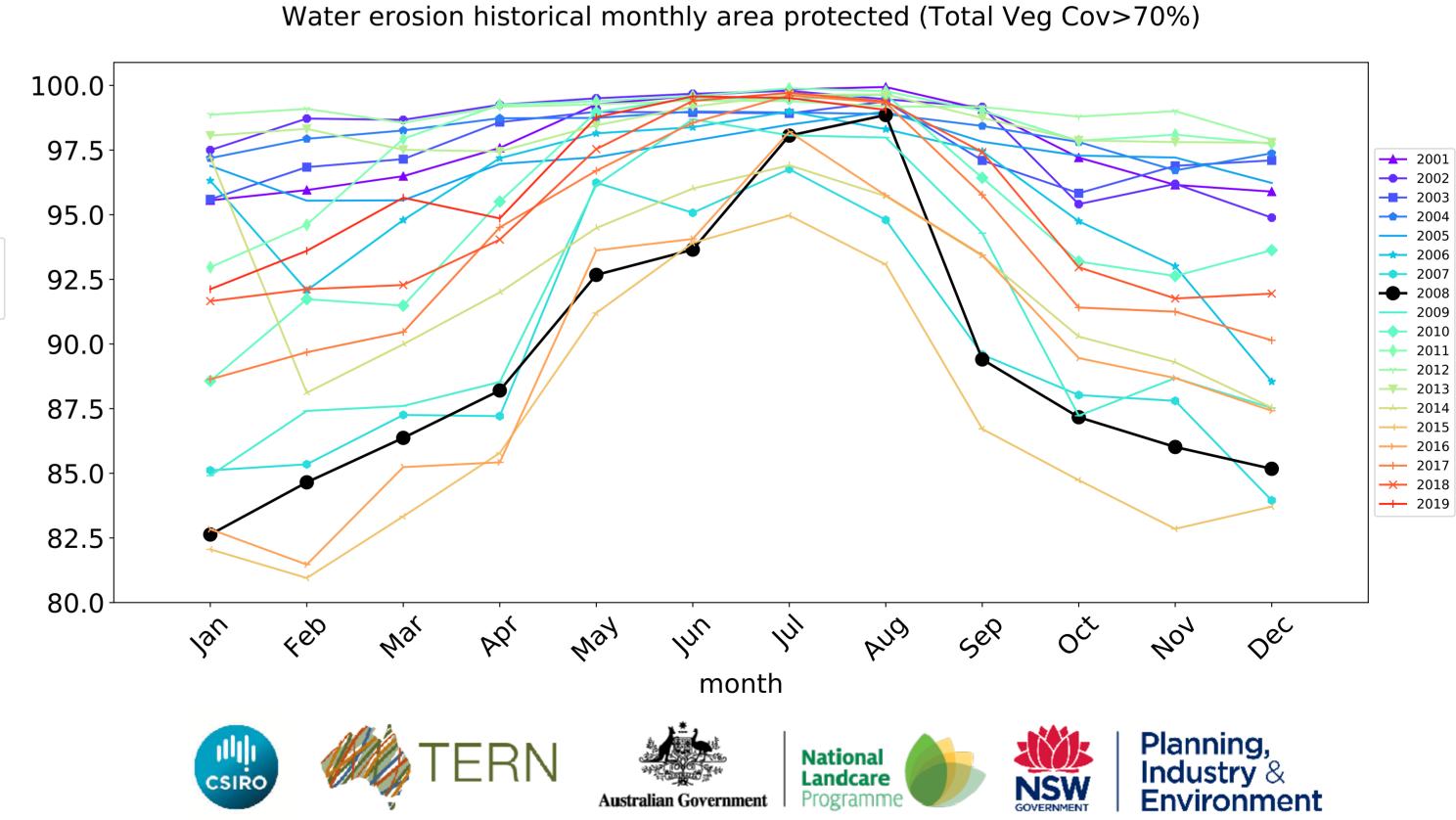






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# **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

### Land use and forest cover

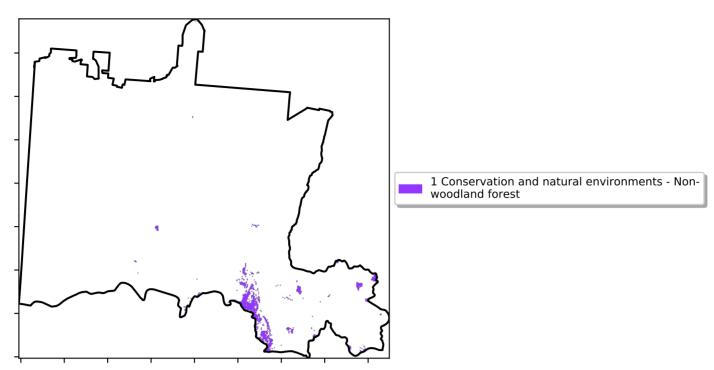
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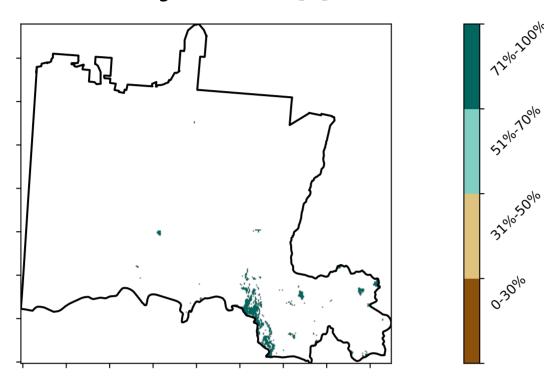
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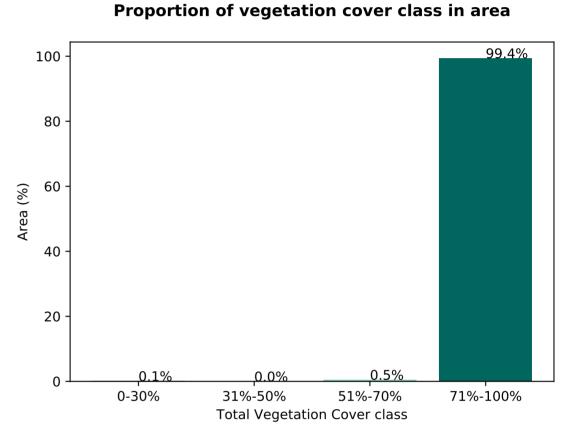
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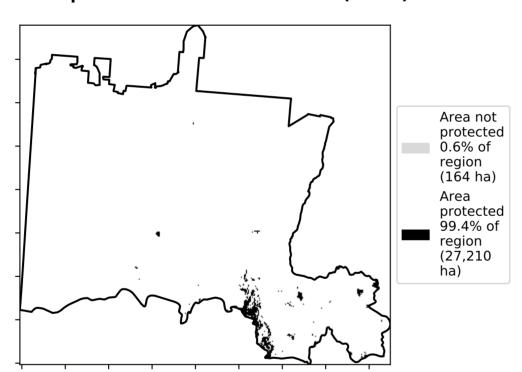


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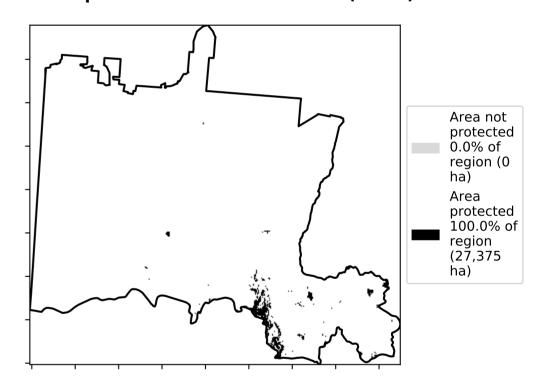




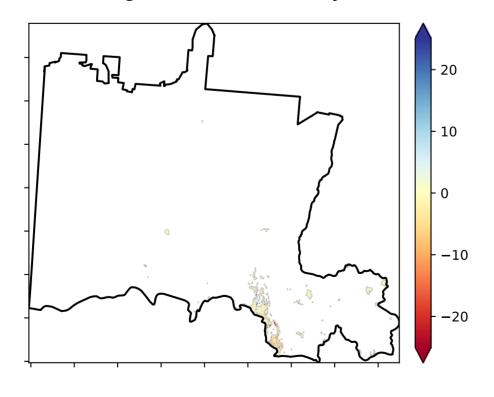
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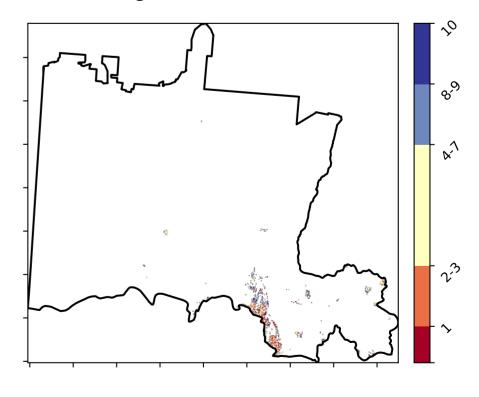
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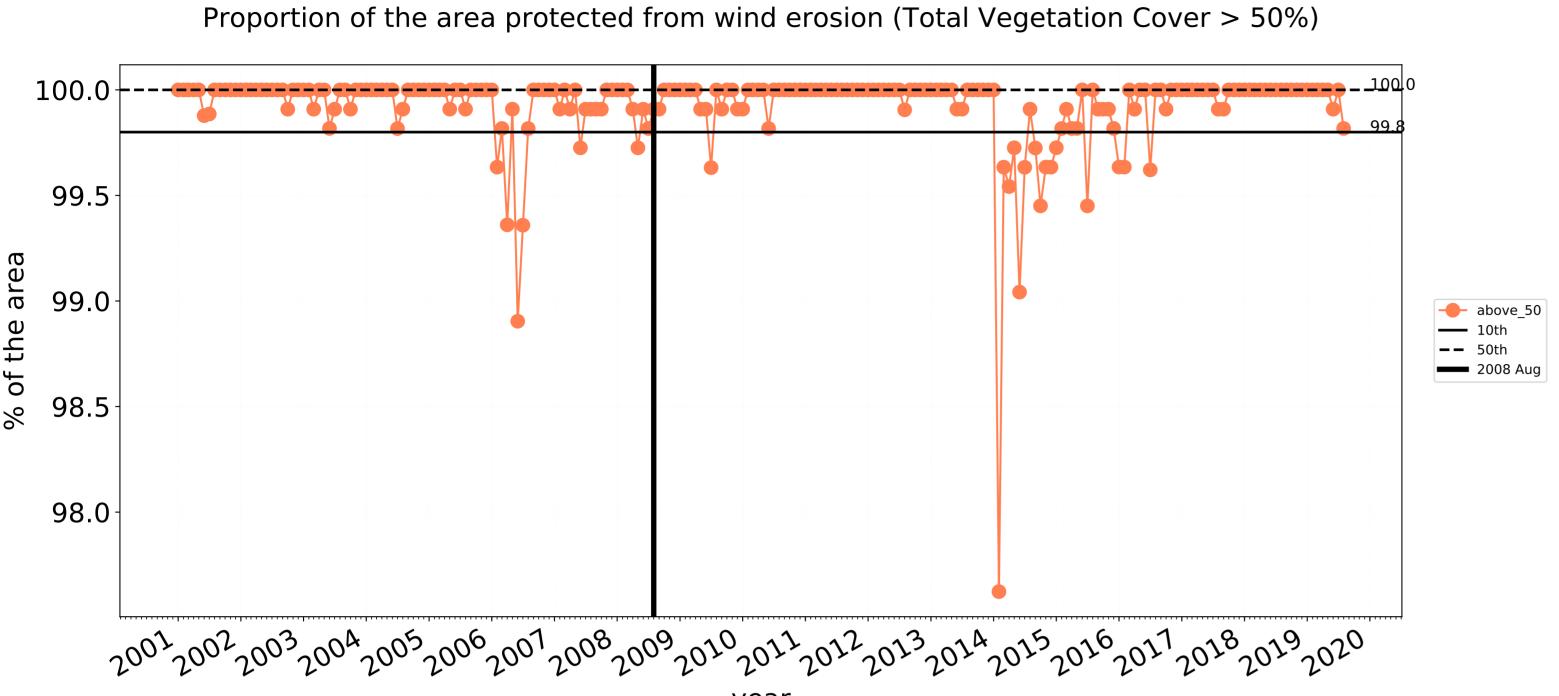


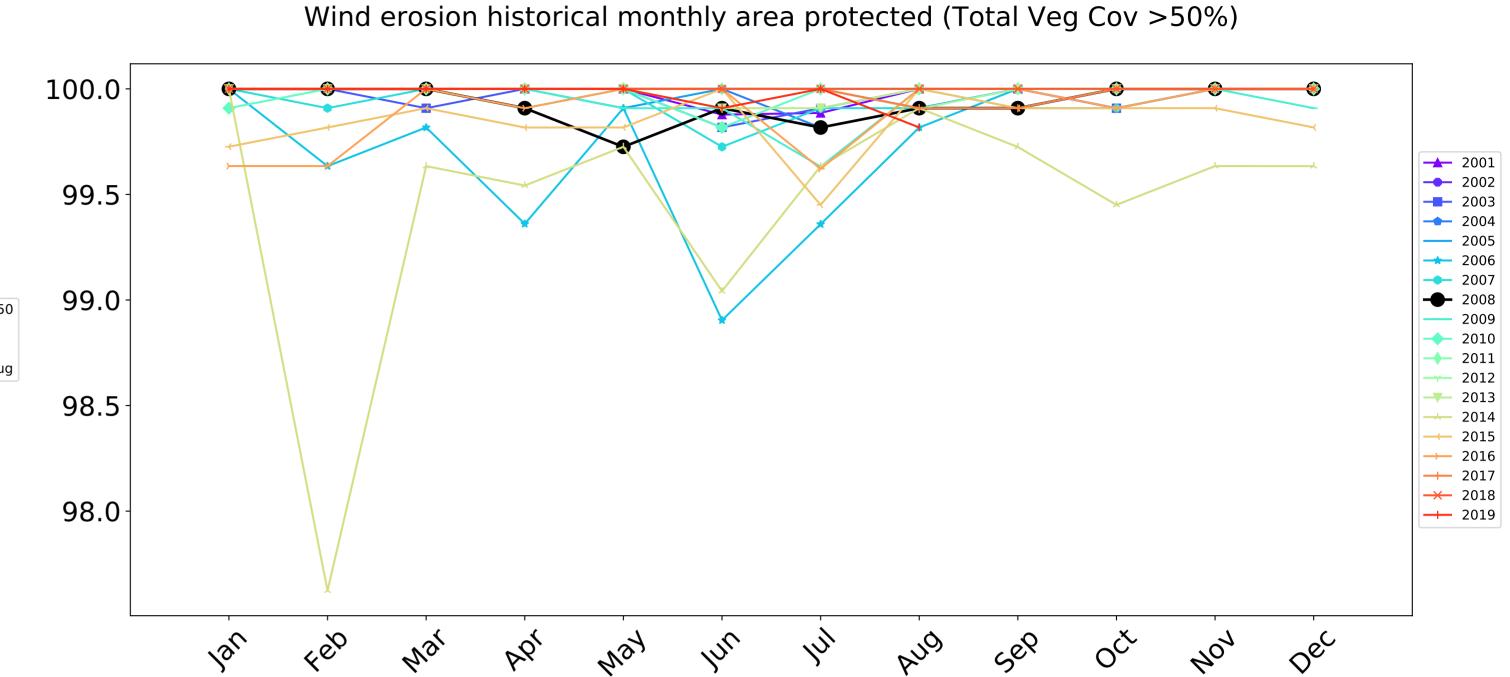




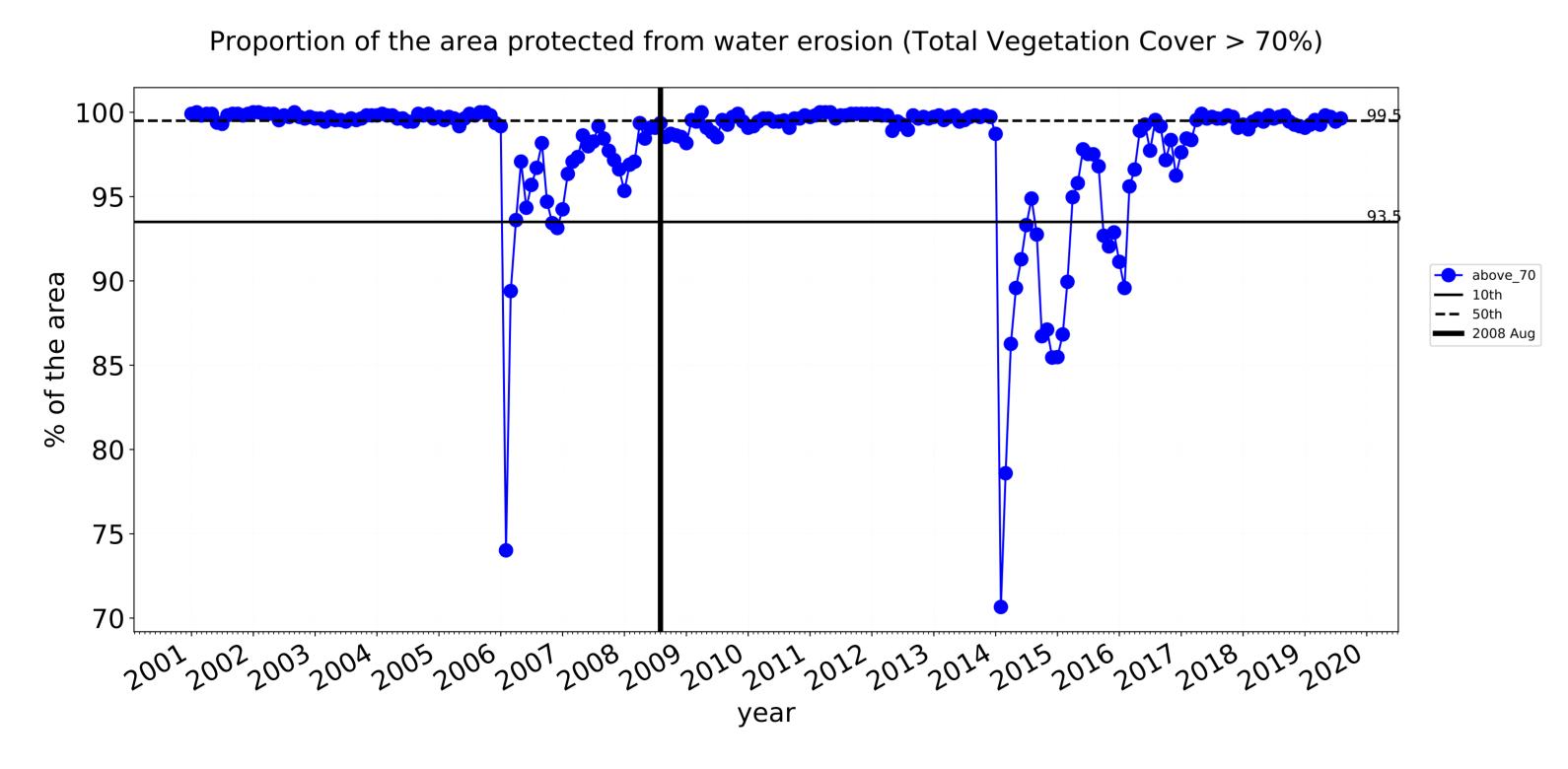


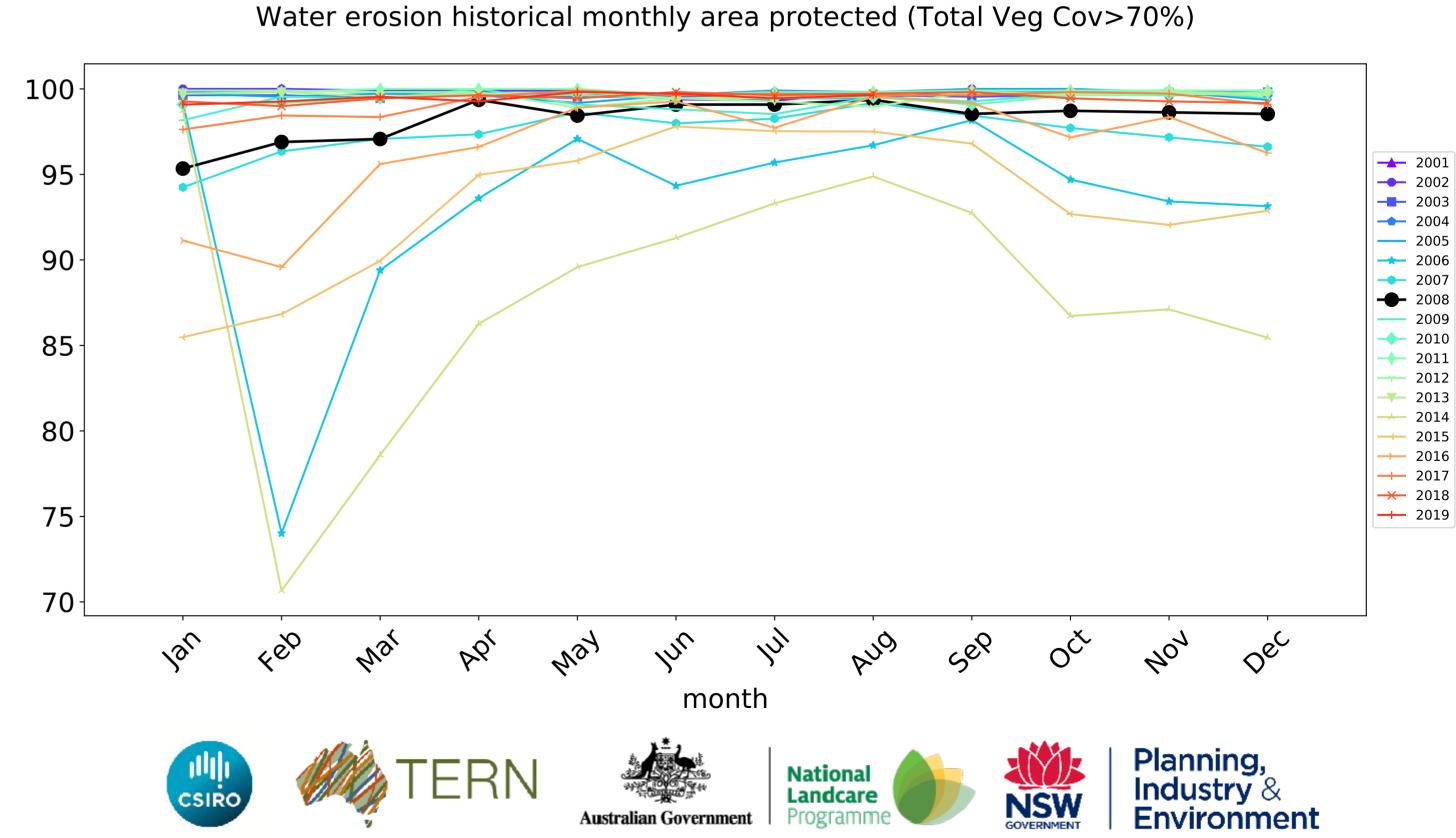






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# **Agriculture**

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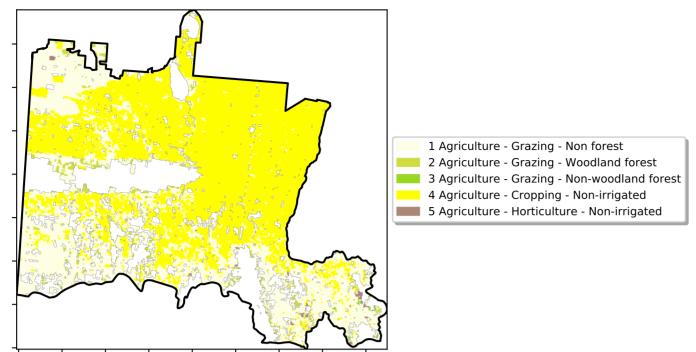
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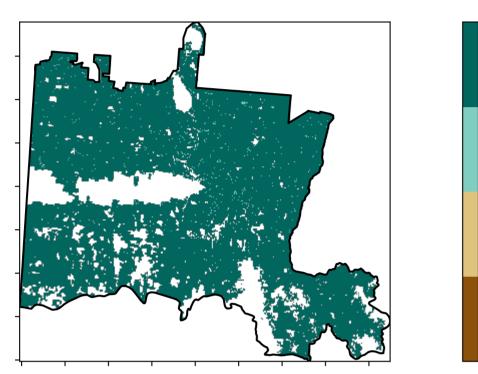
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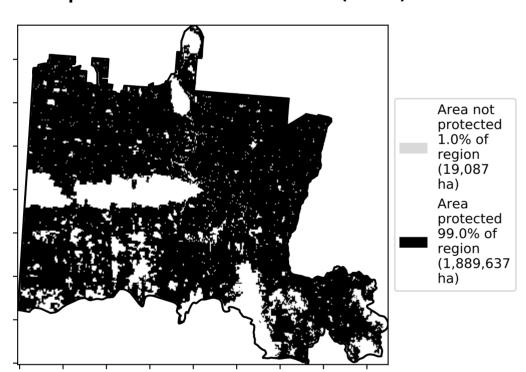
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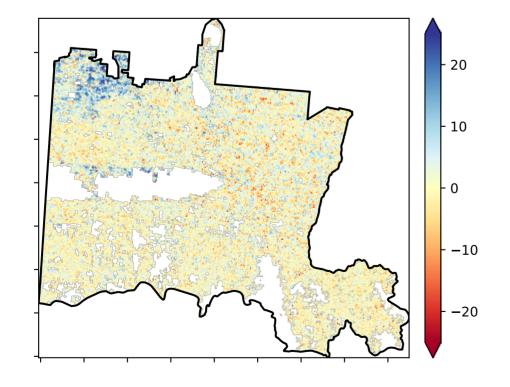
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# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

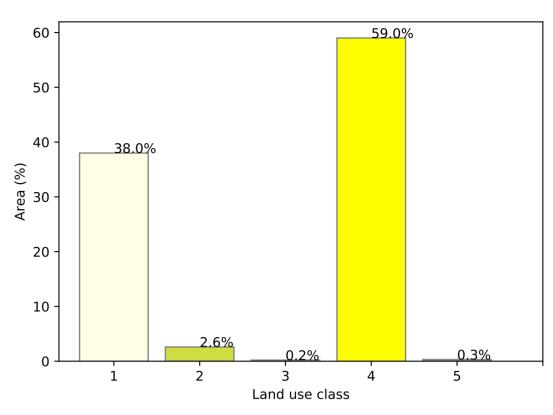


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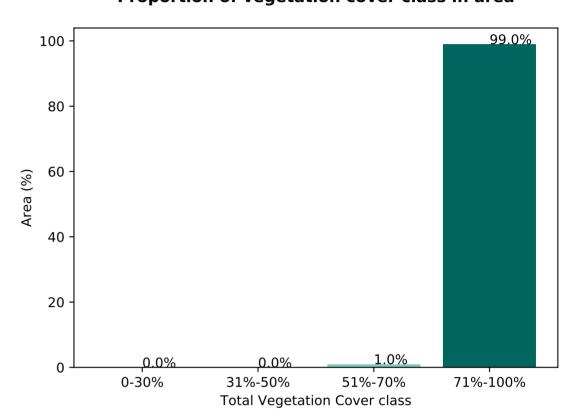


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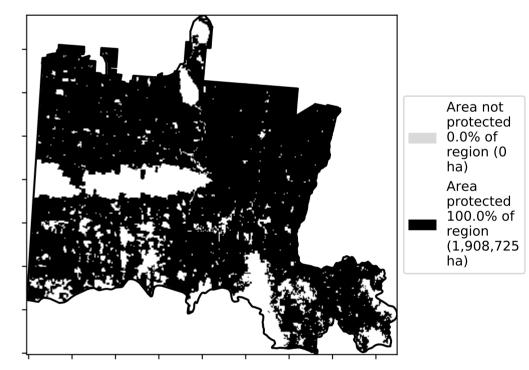
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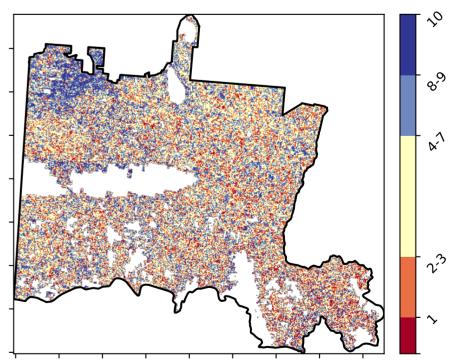


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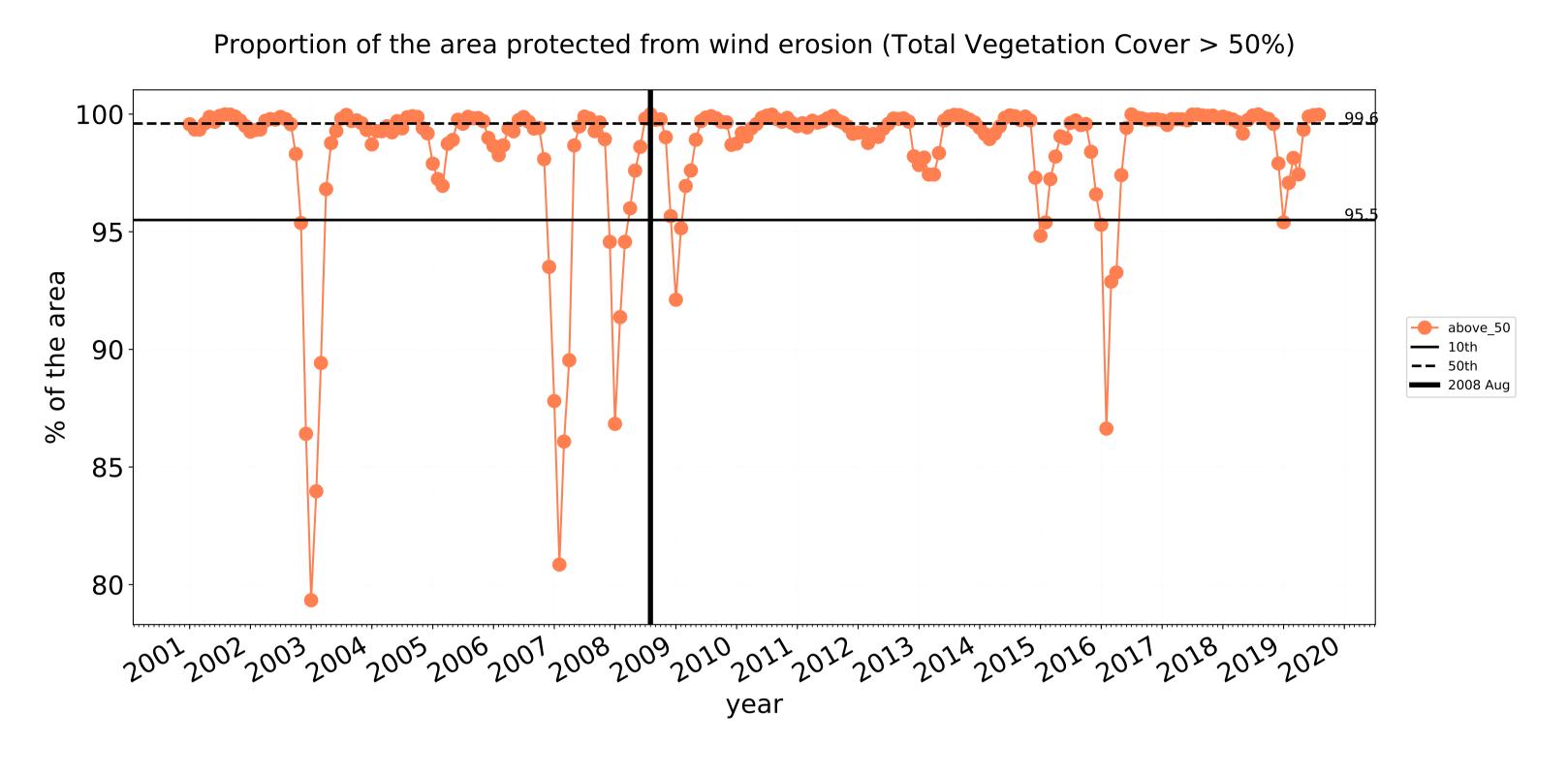


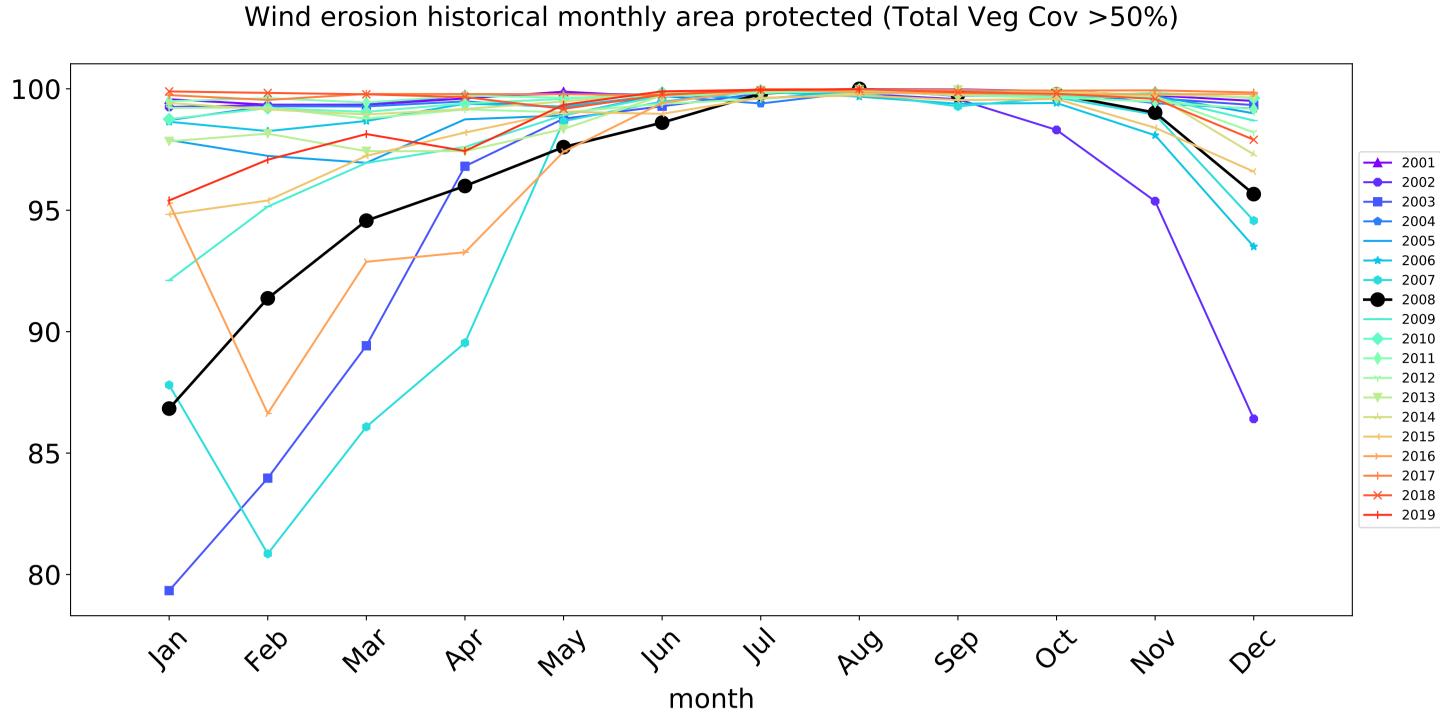


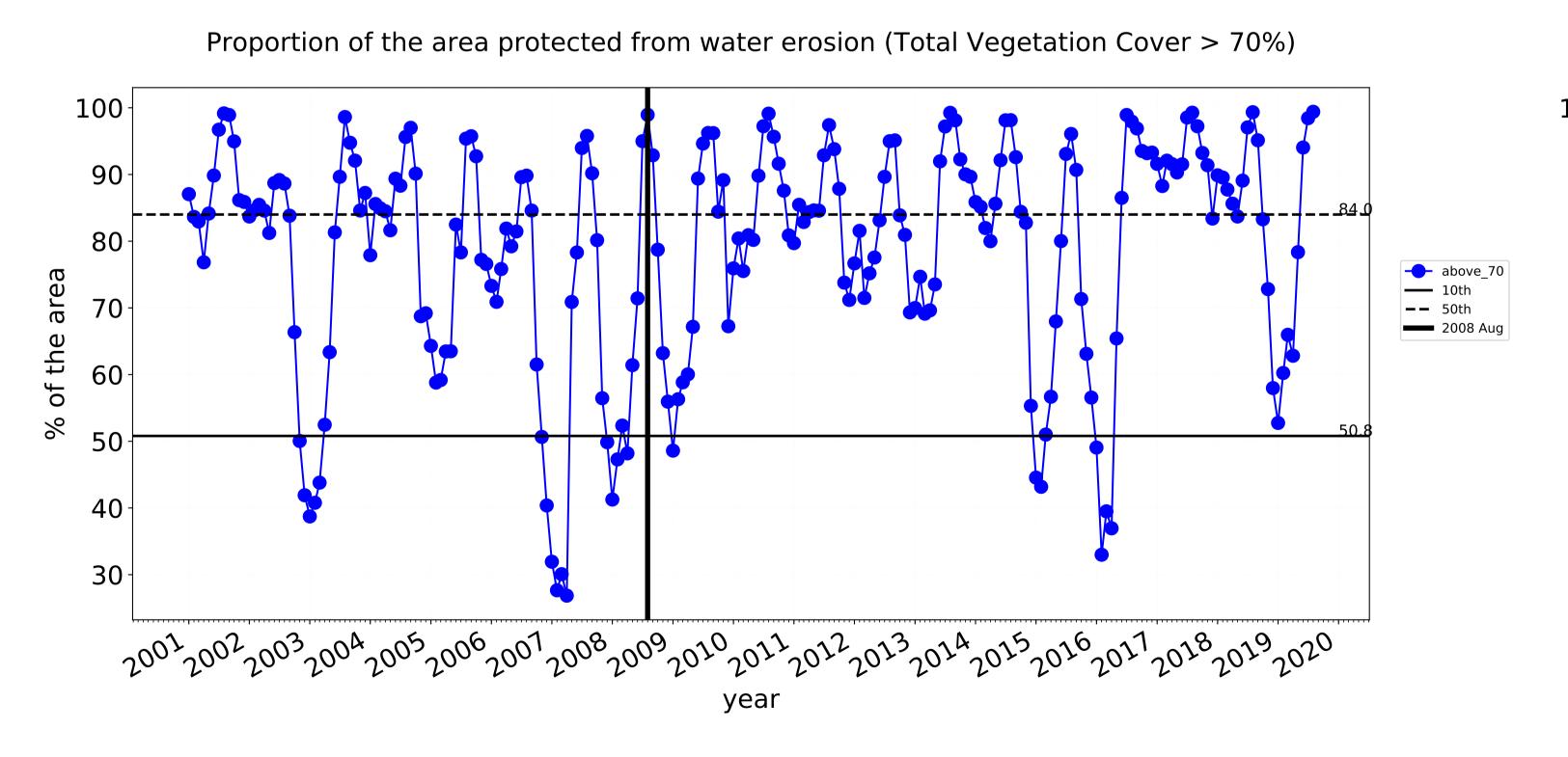


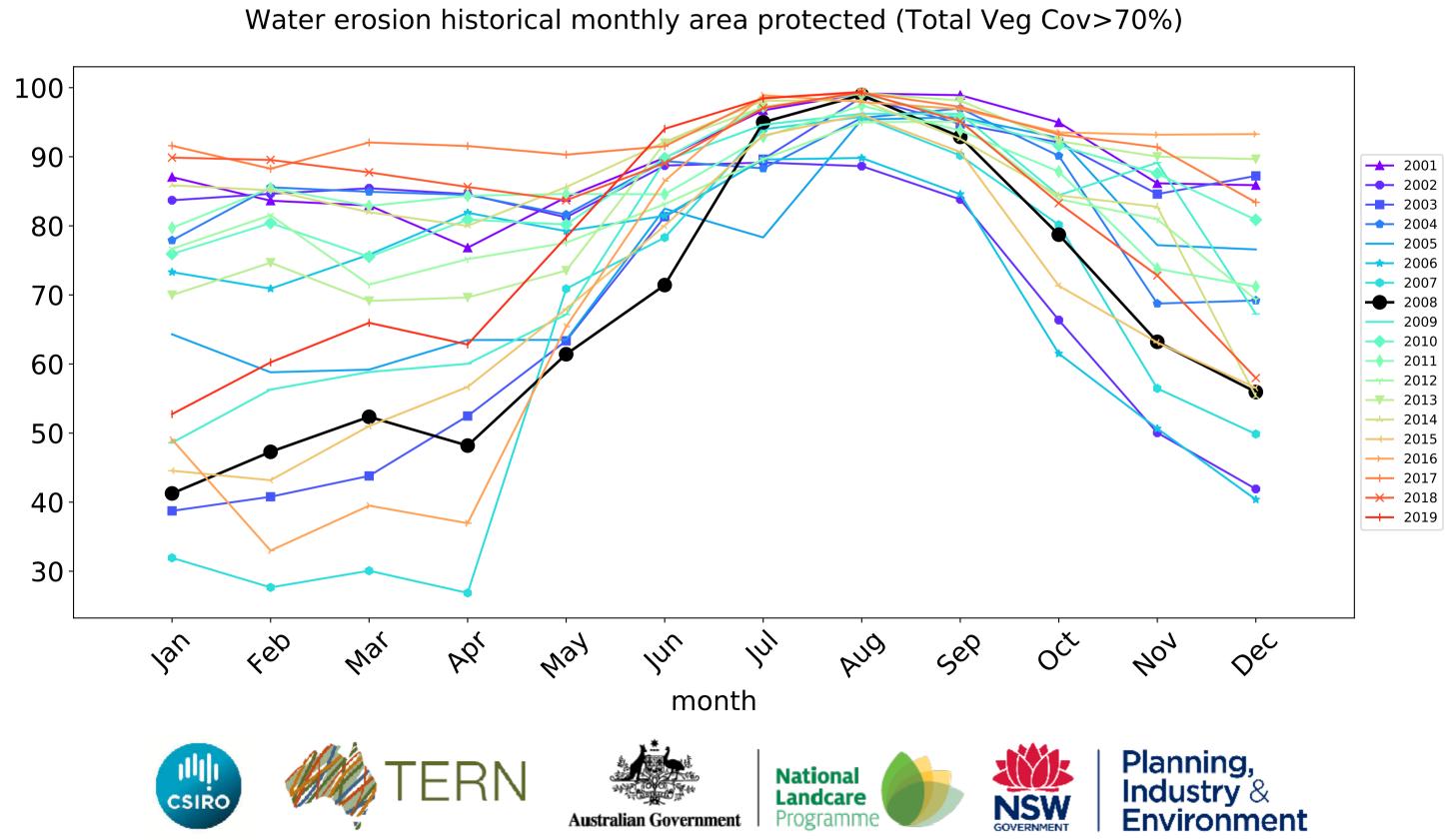


# **Agriculture timeseries**









# Grazing

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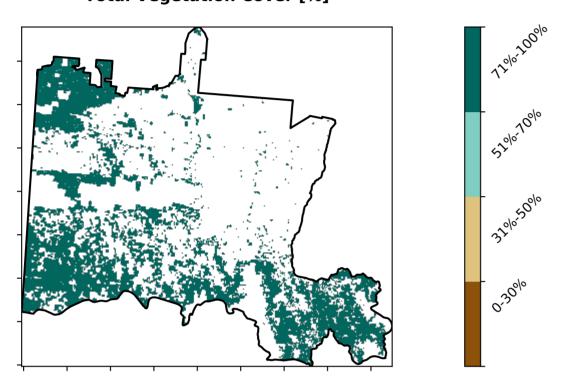
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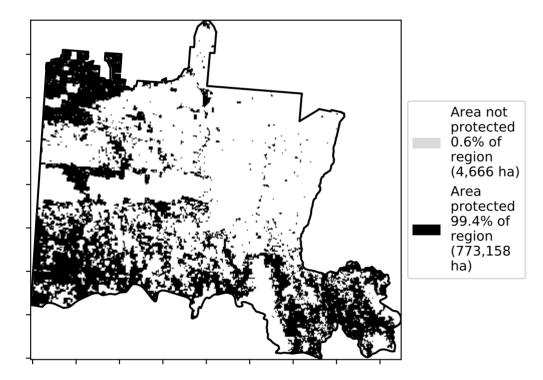
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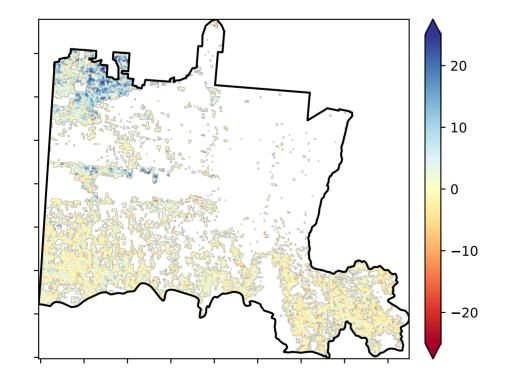
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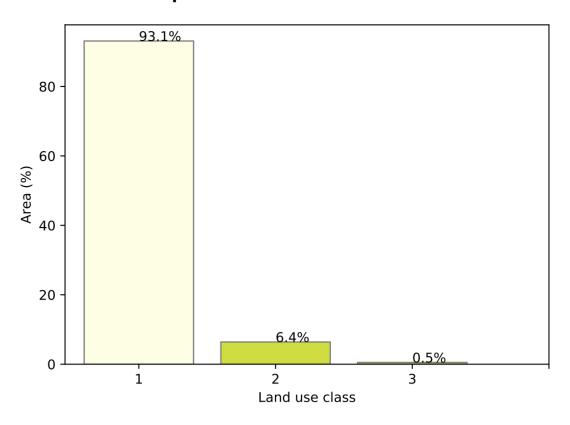


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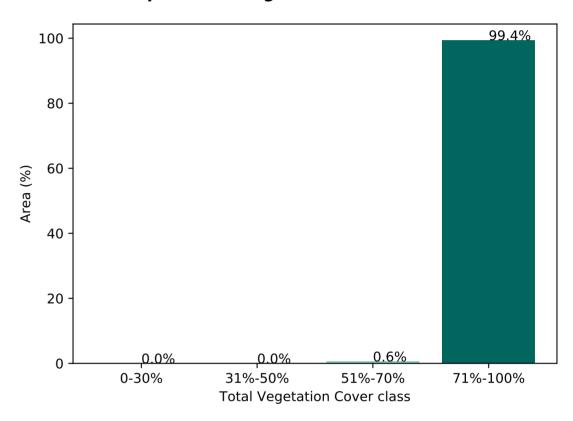


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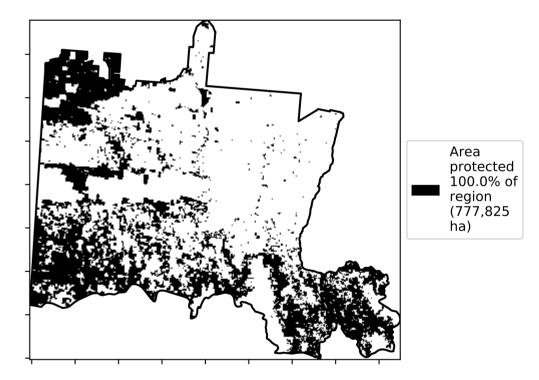
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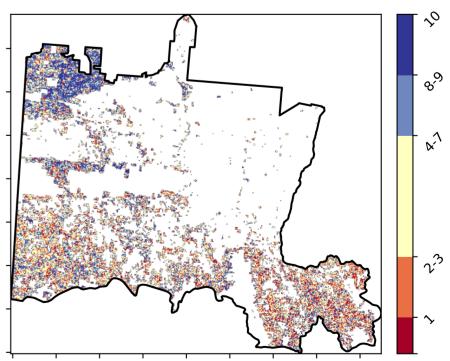
**Proportion of vegetation cover class in area** 



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







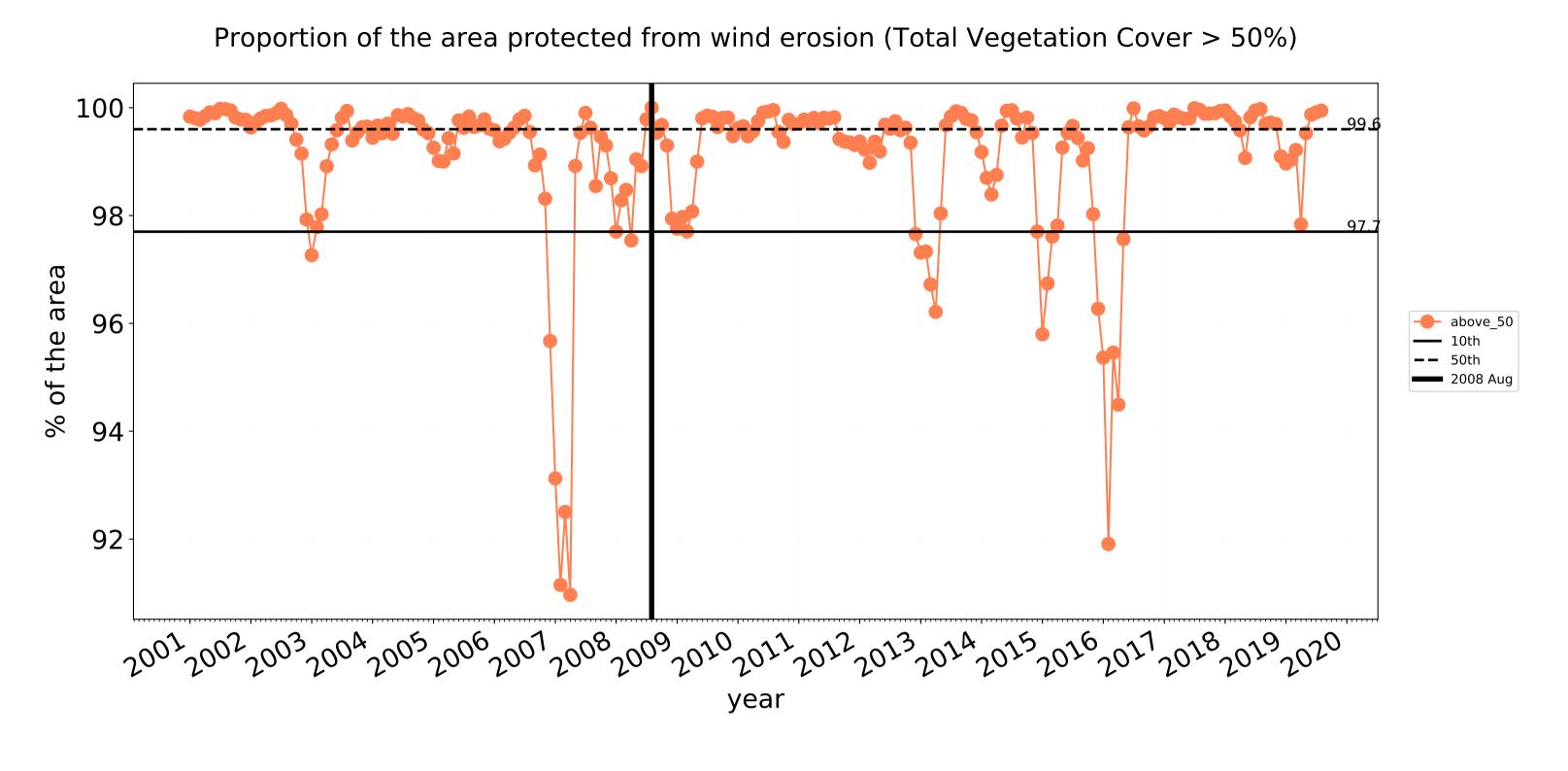


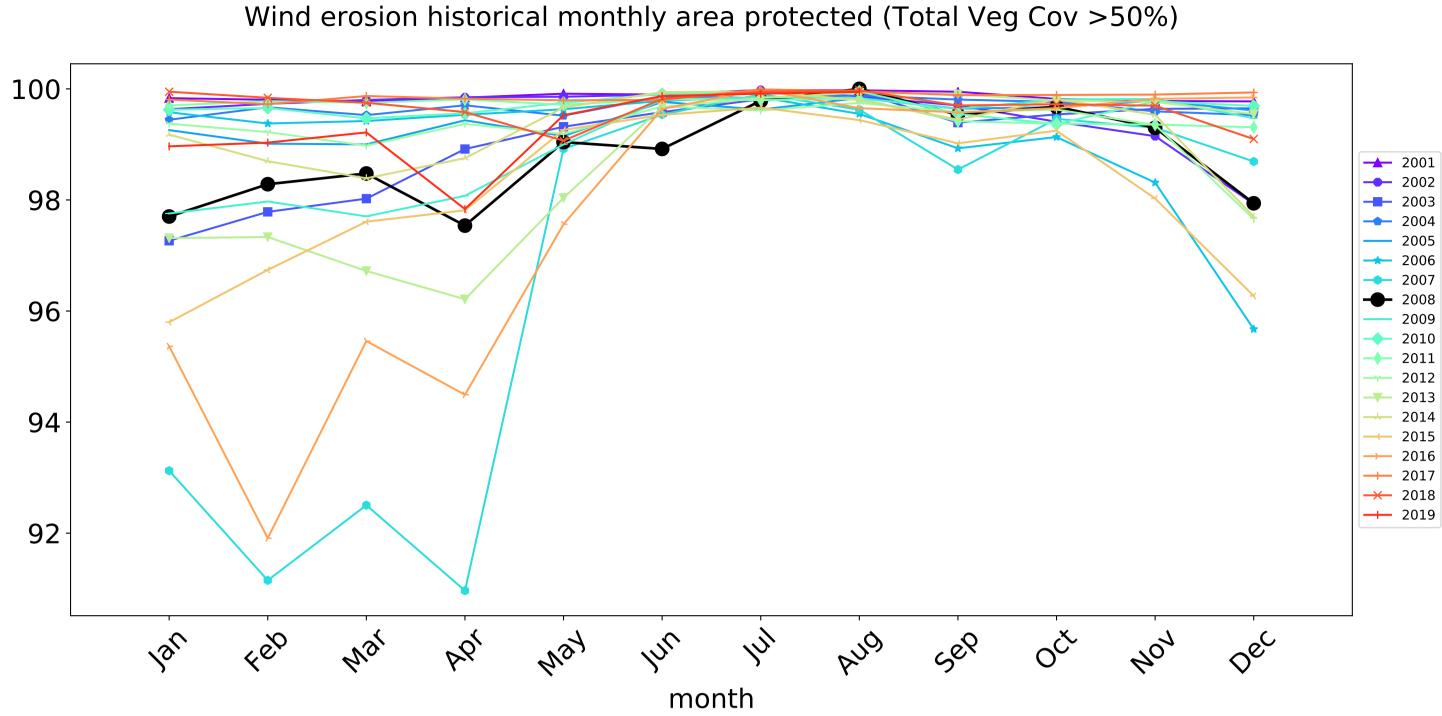


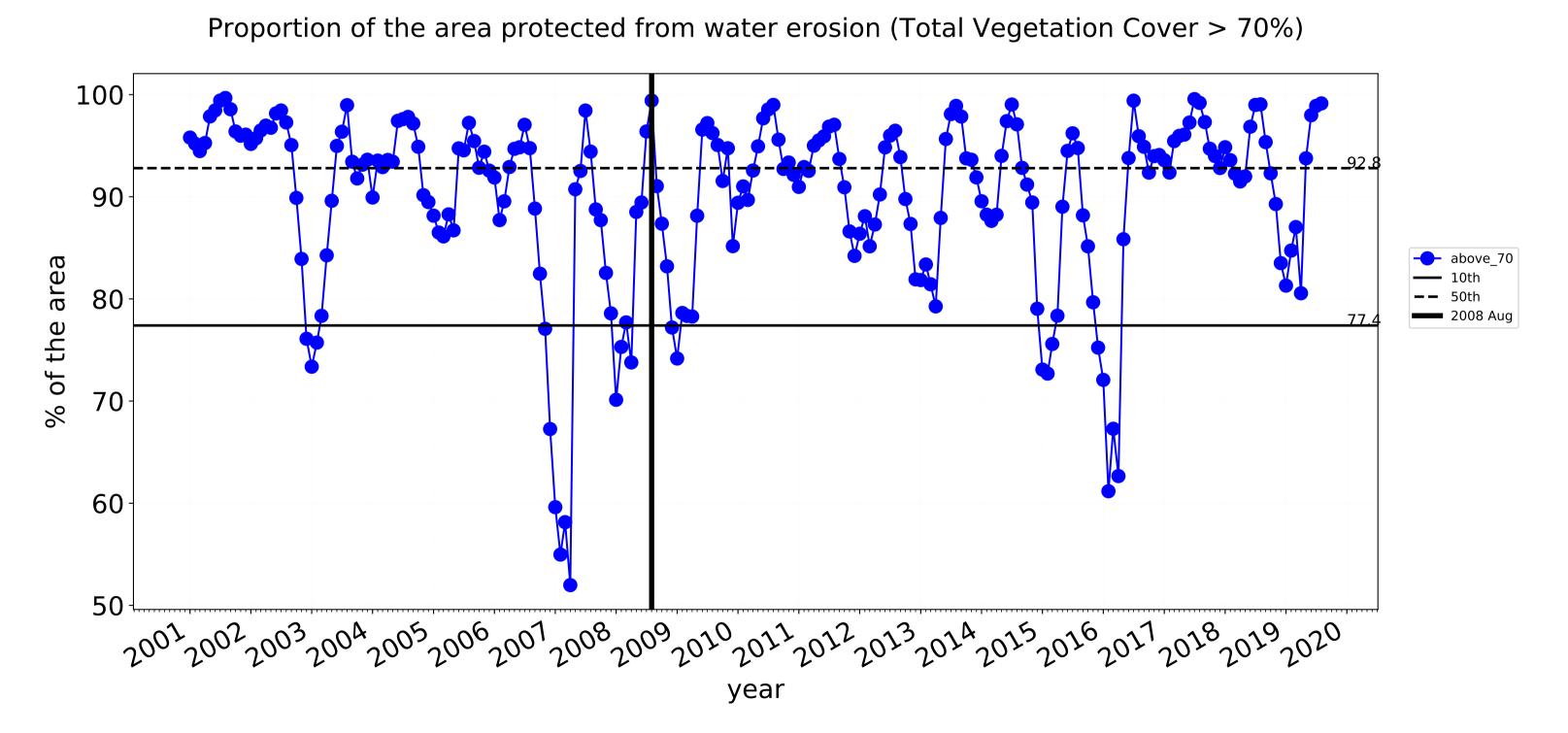


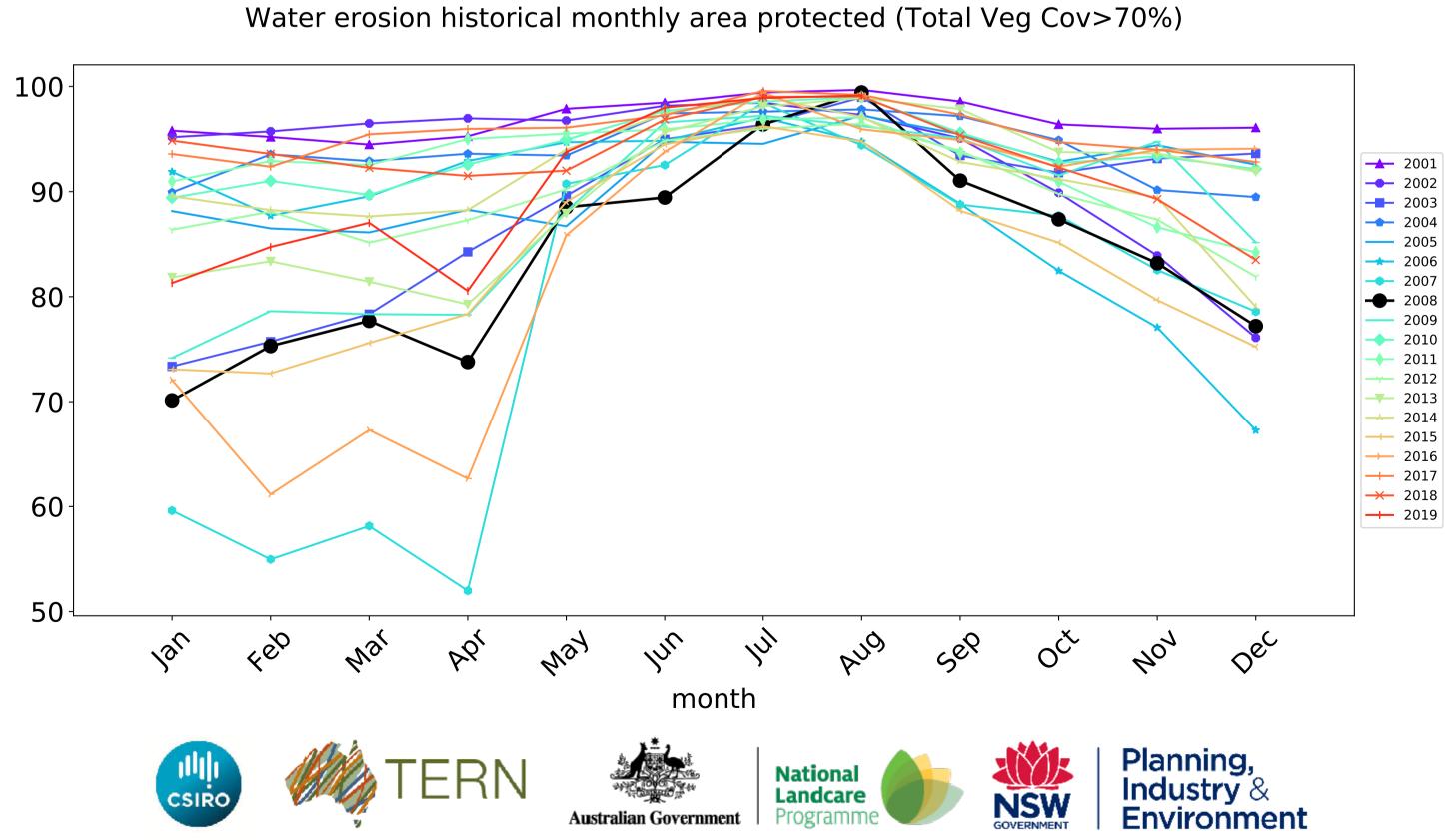


# **Grazing timeseries**









# **Grazing non forest**

### Land use and forest cover

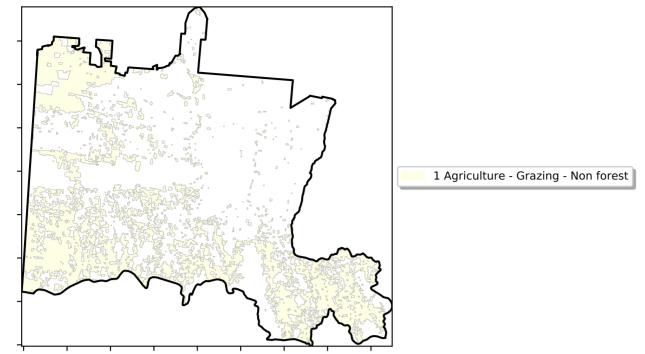
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Anomaly show how many percetage points each

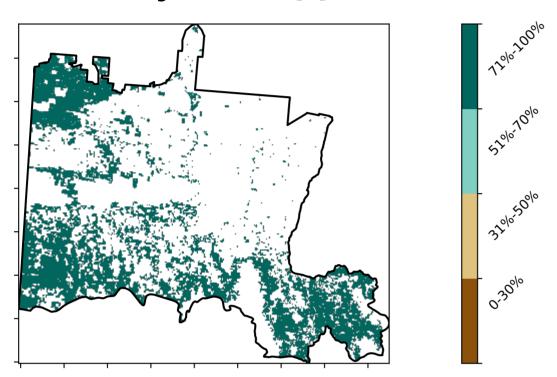
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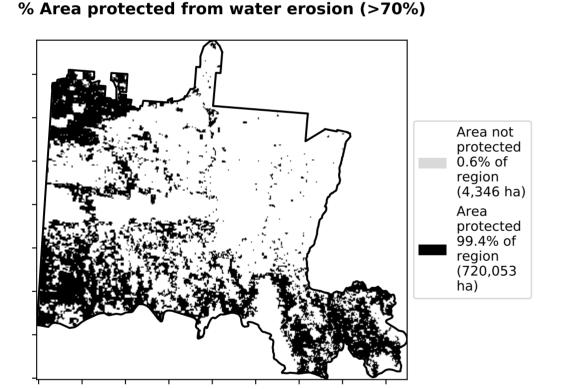
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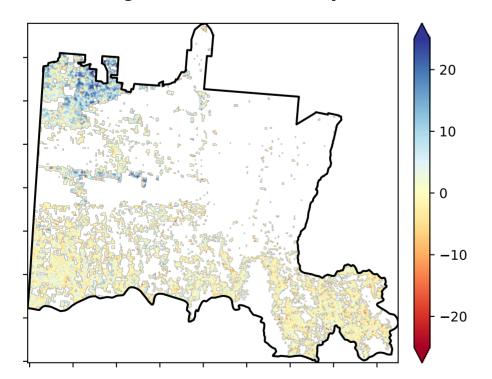


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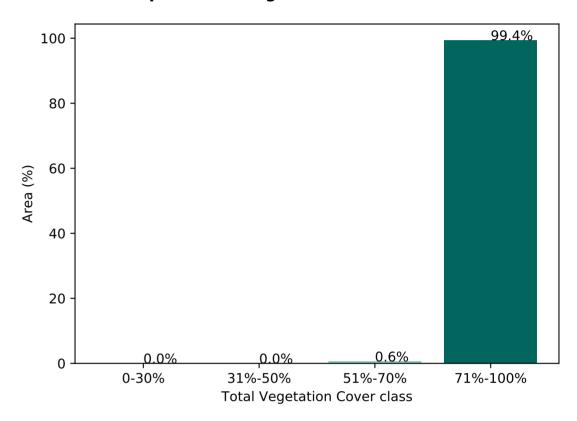


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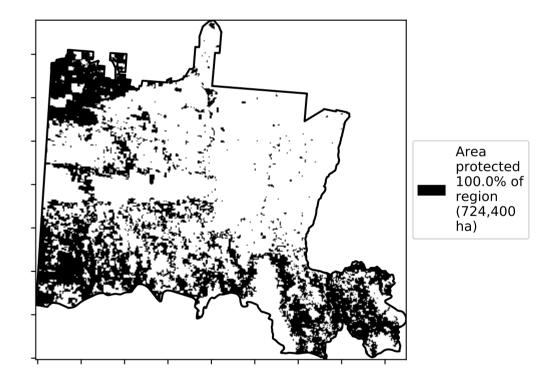


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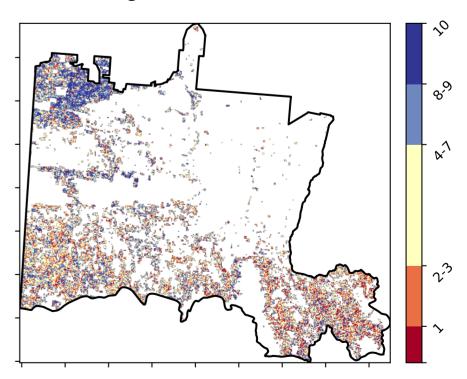
### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







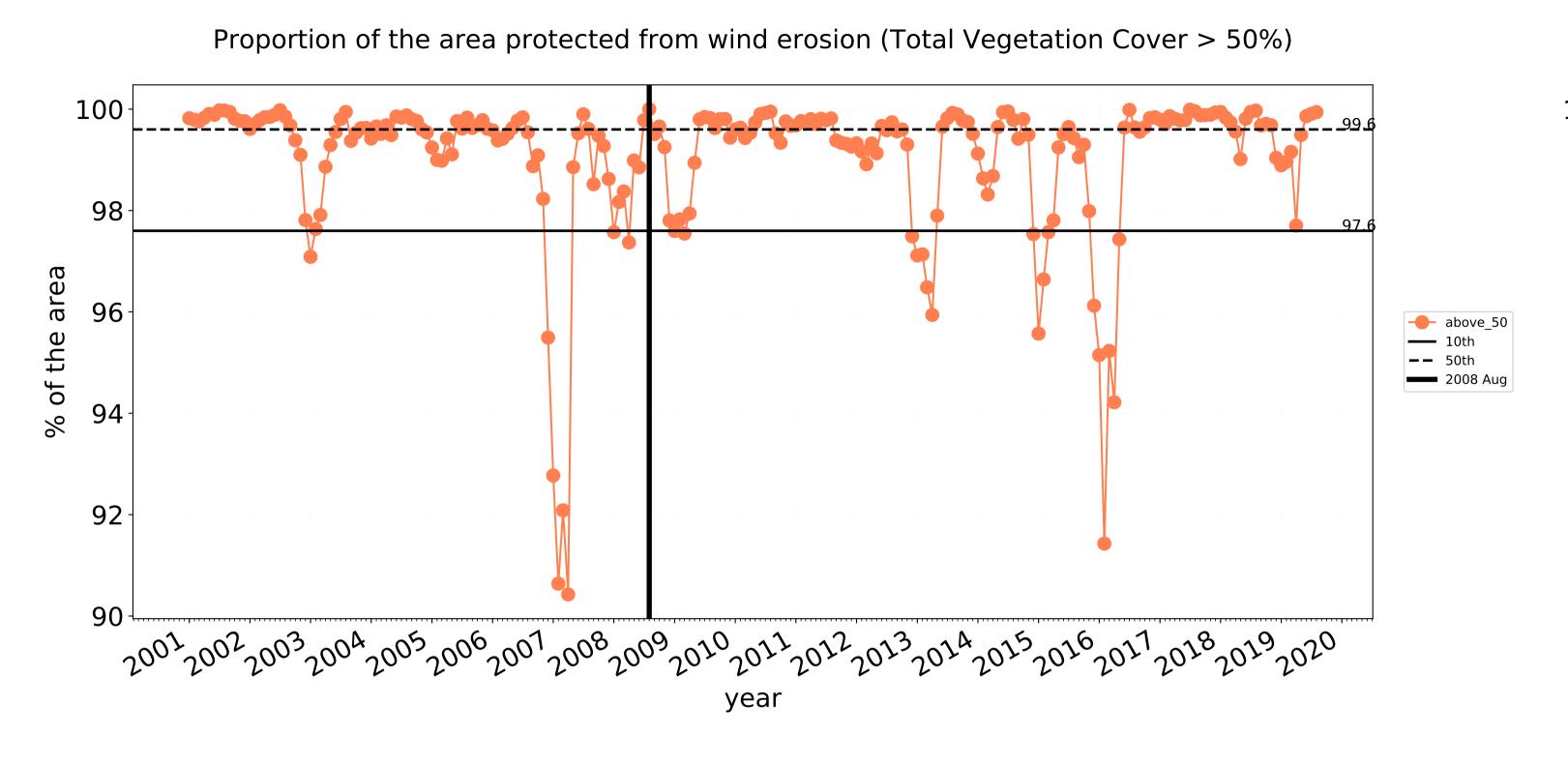


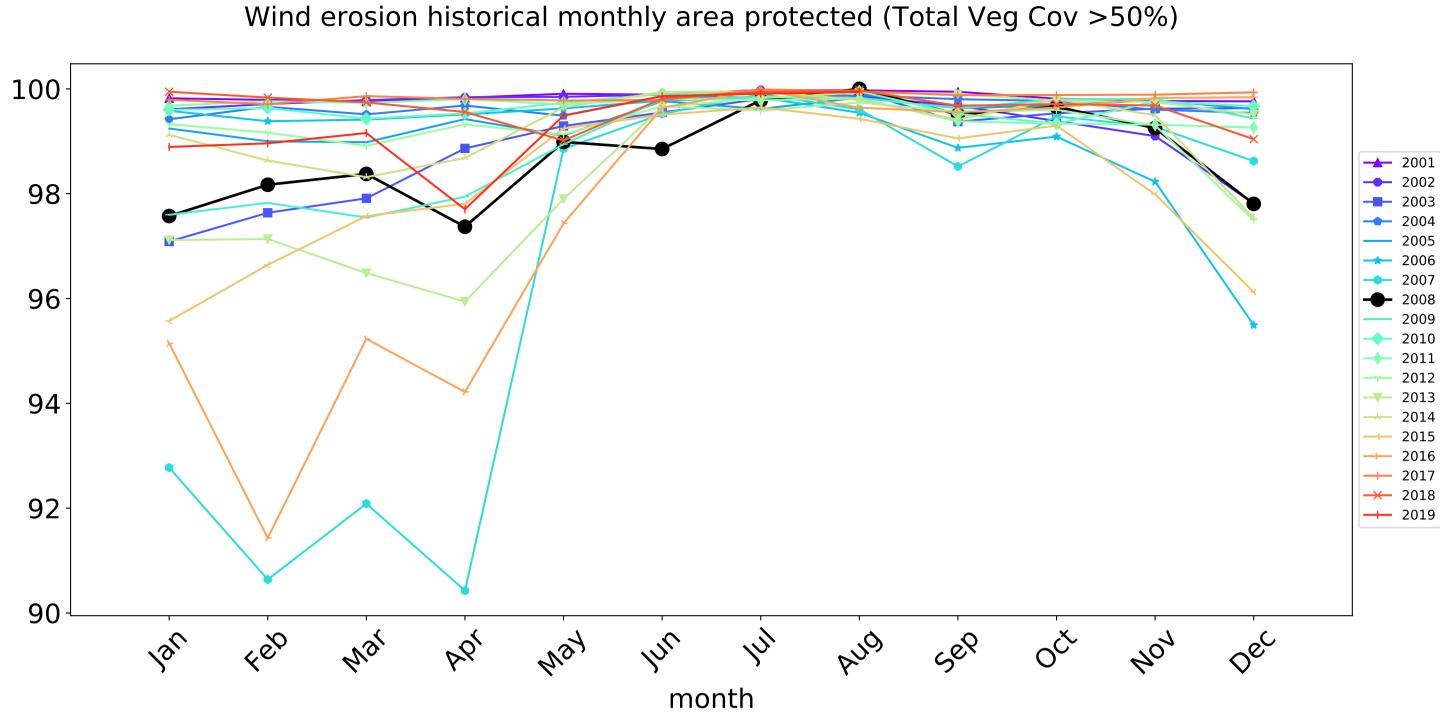


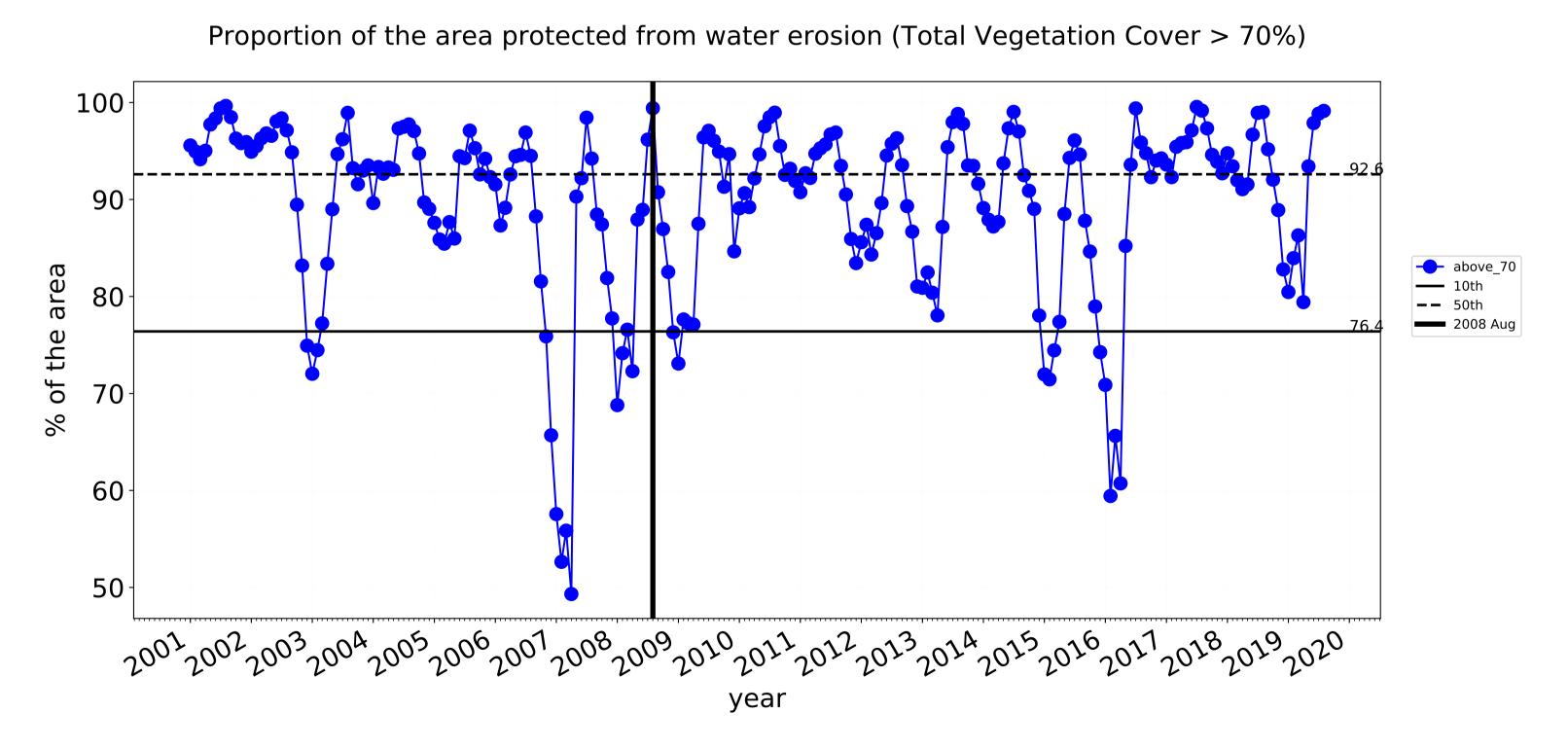


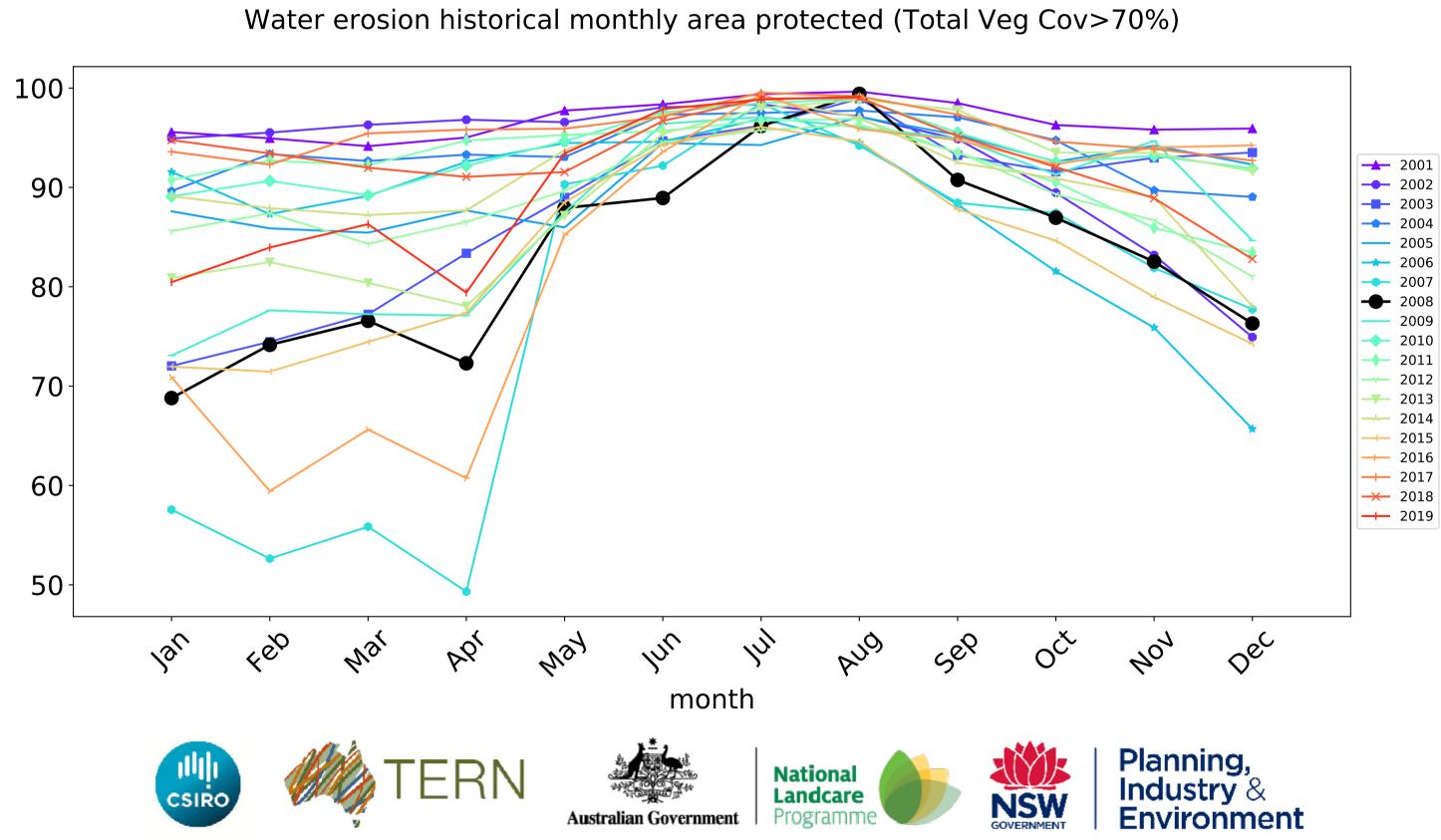


# **Grazing non forest timeseries**









# **Grazing Woodland forest**

### Land use and forest cover

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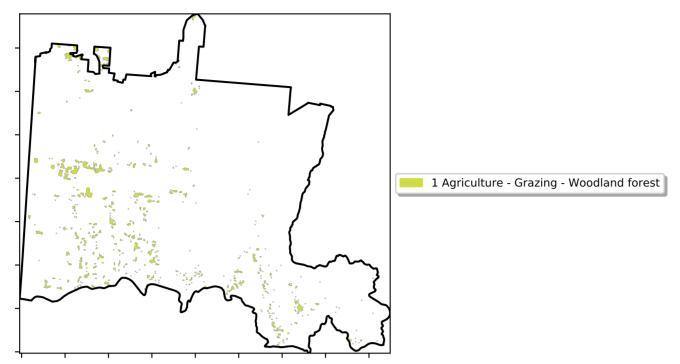
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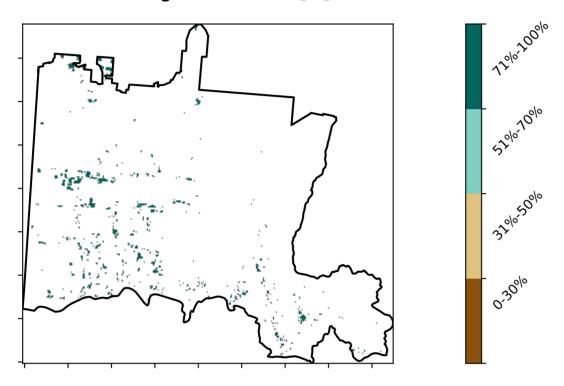
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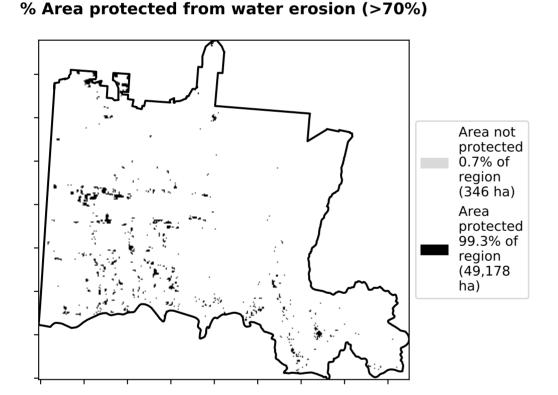
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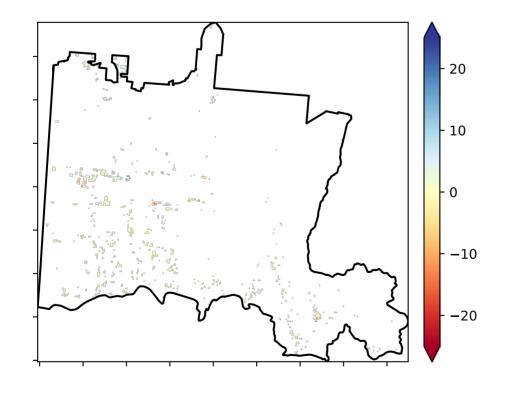


### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



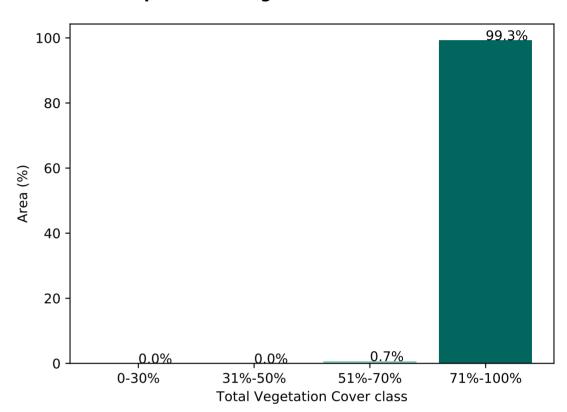


### Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

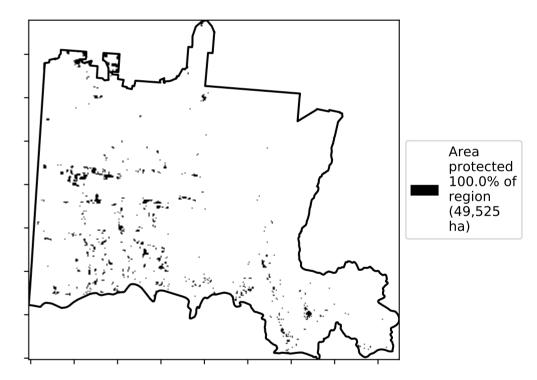


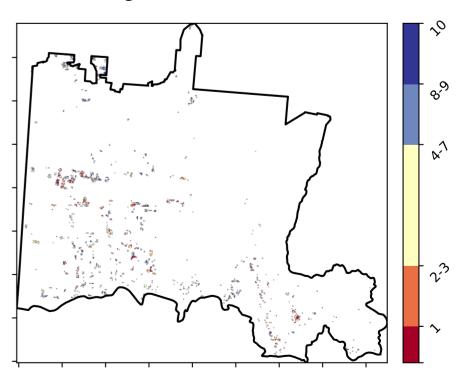
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### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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









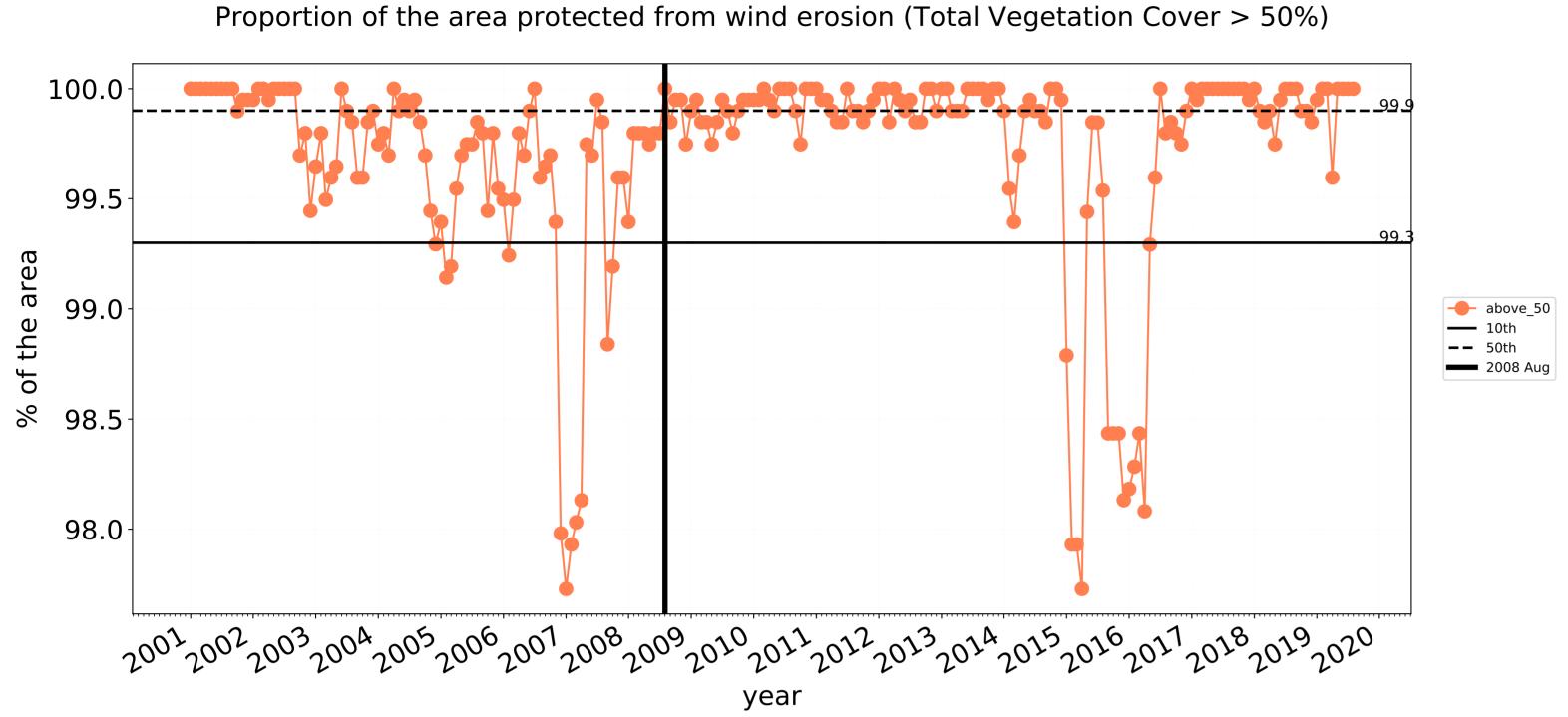


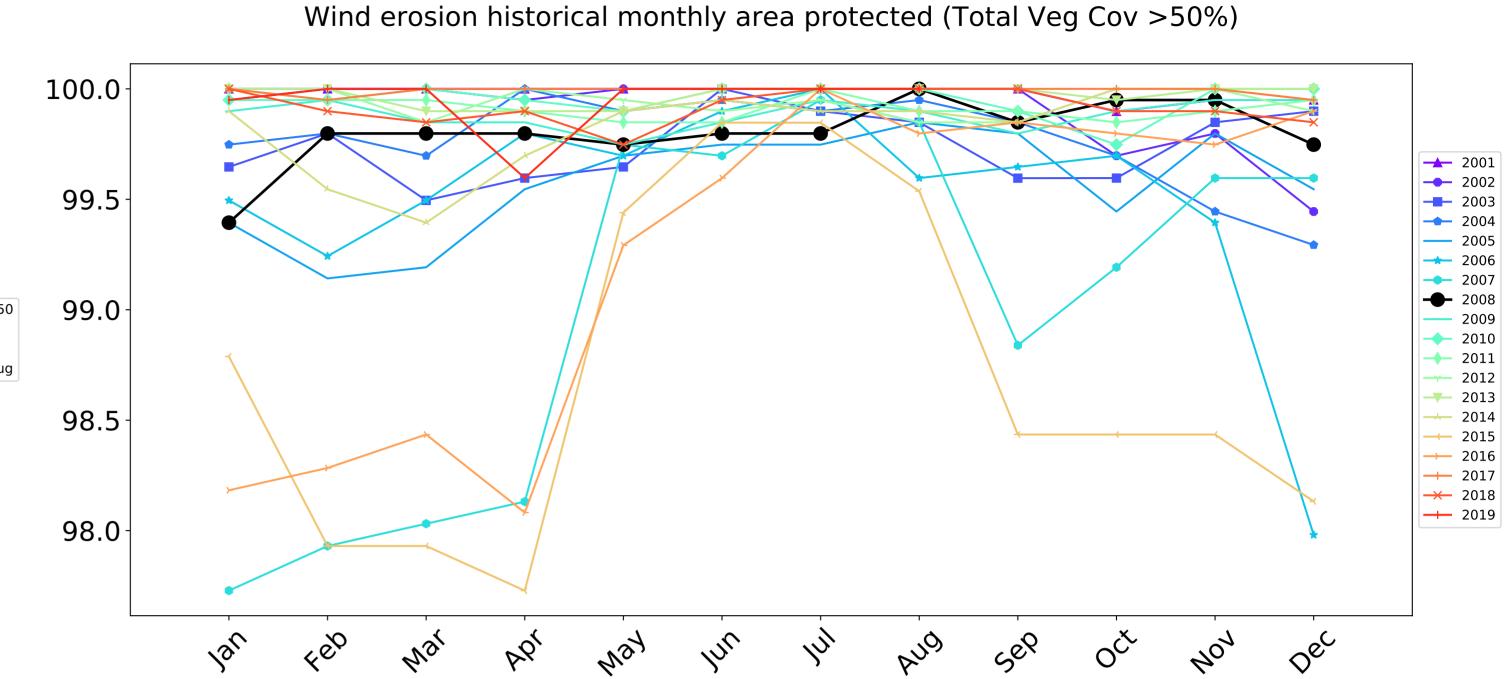




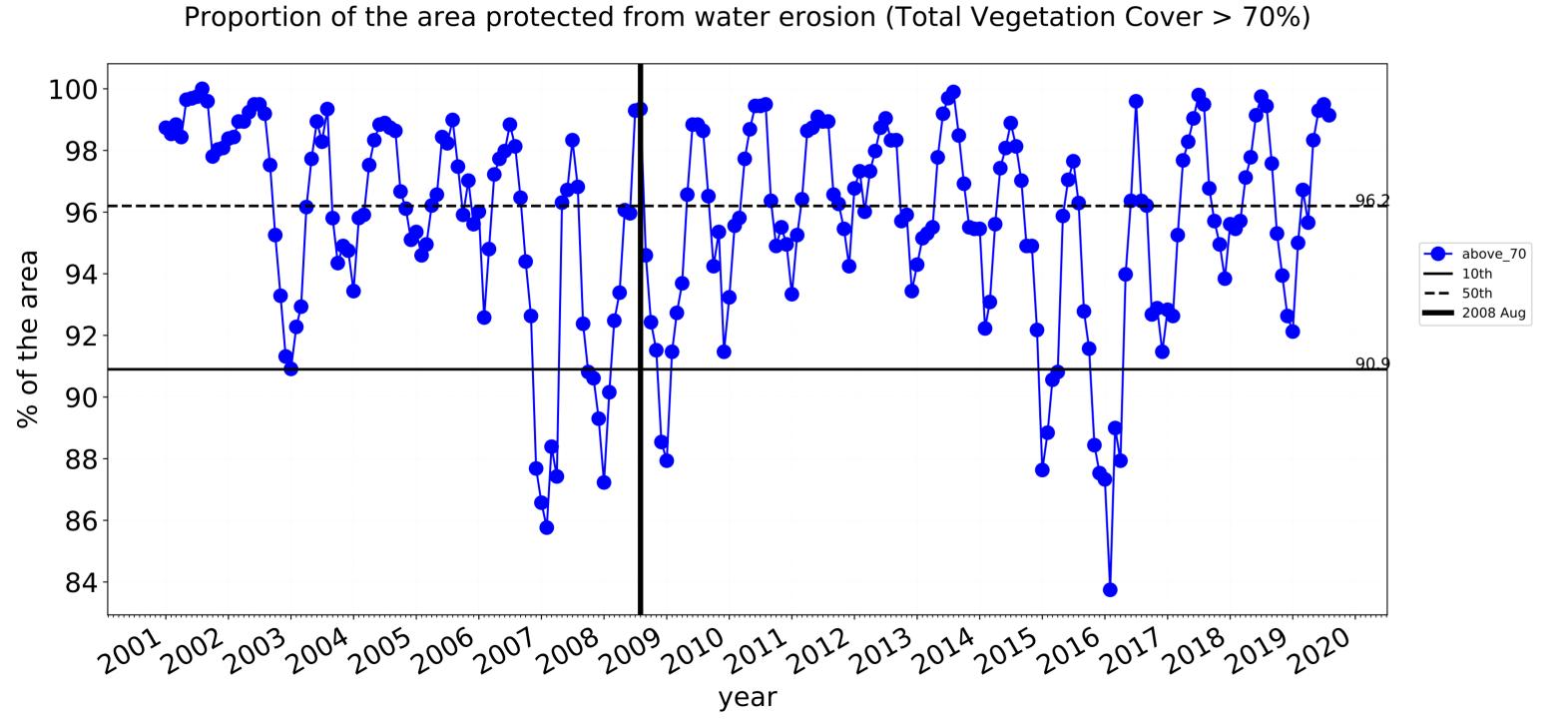


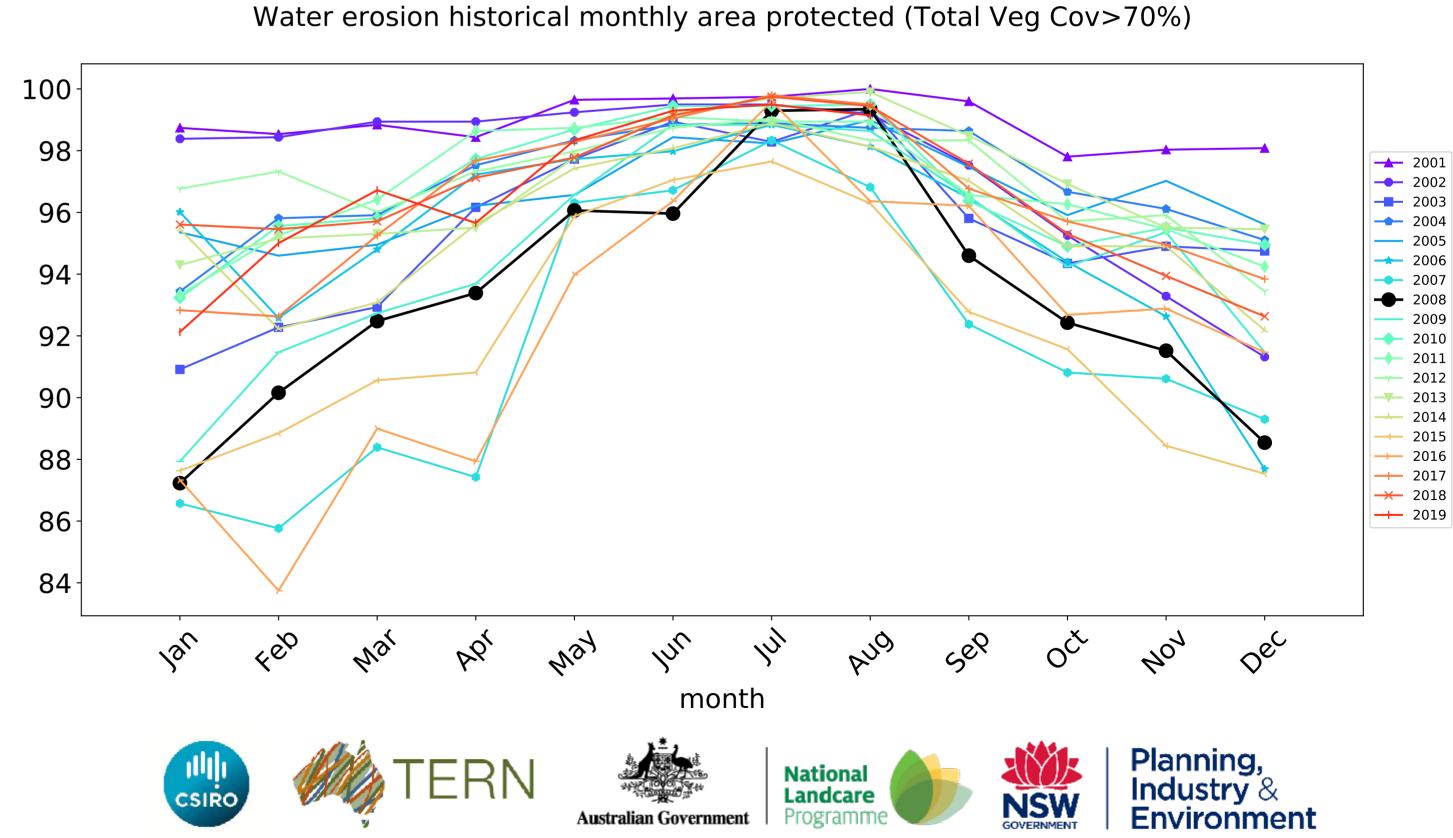
# **Grazing Woodland forest timeseries**





month





# **Cropping**

### Land use and forest cover

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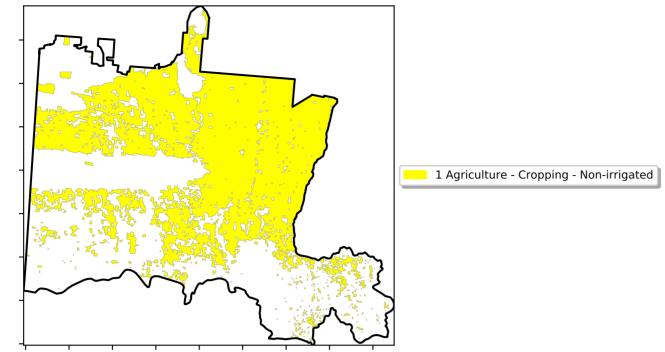
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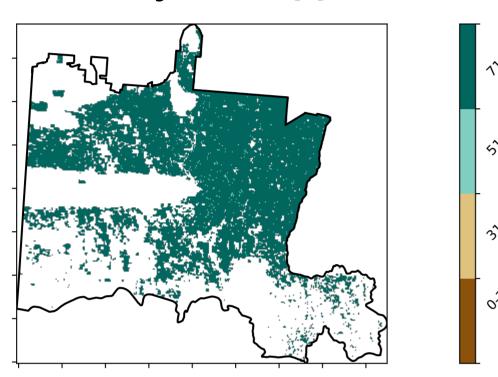
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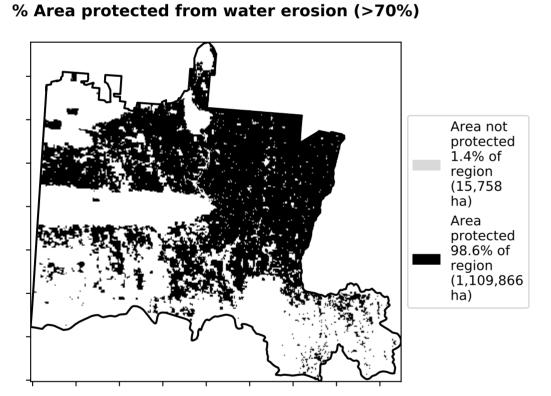
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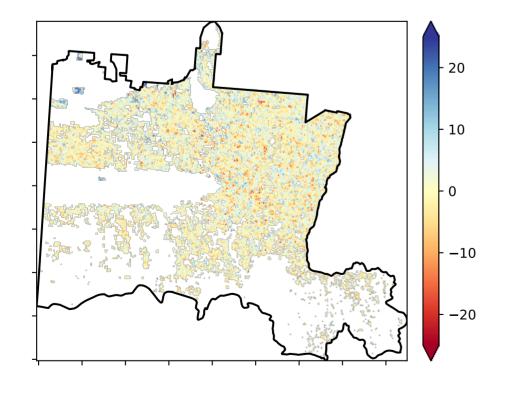
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



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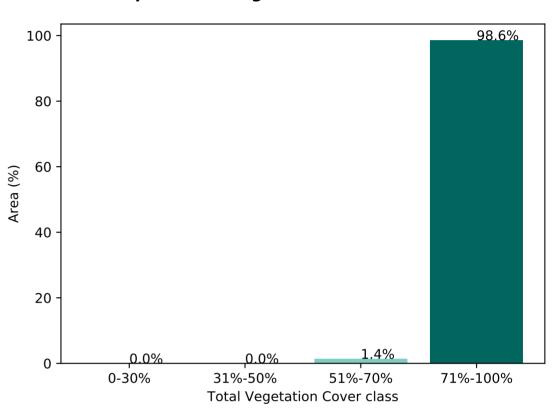


### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

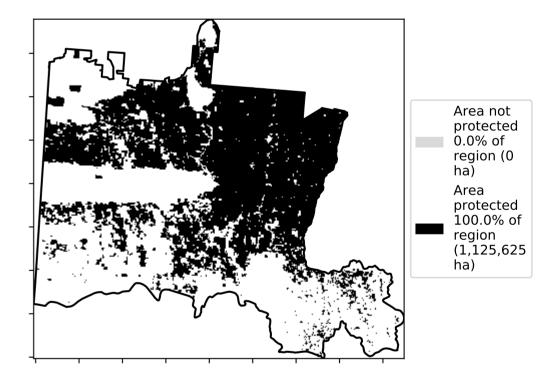


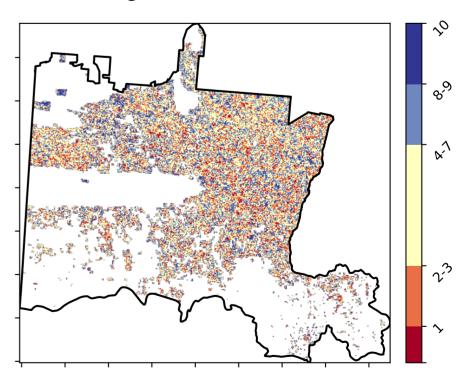
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### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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









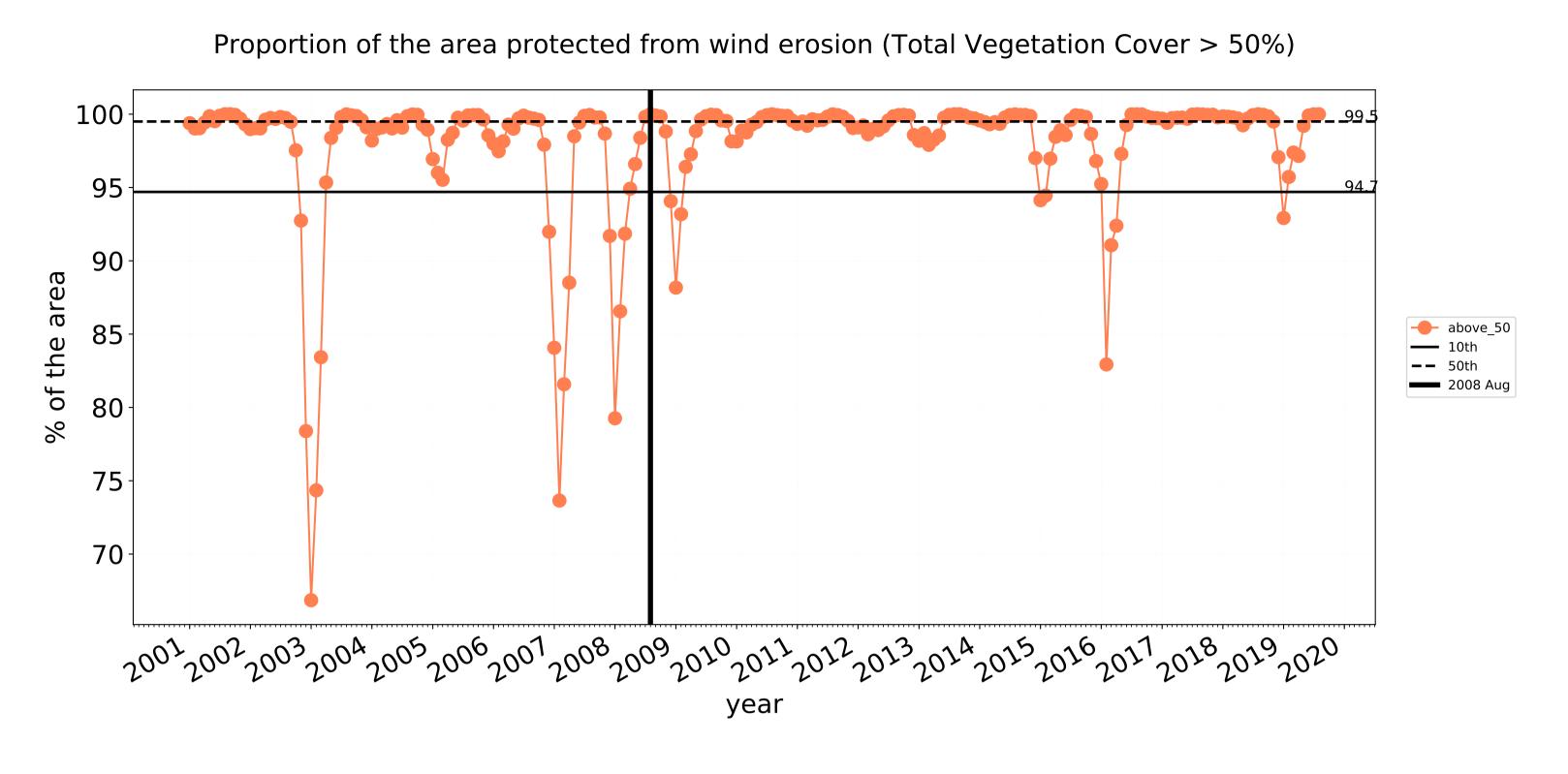


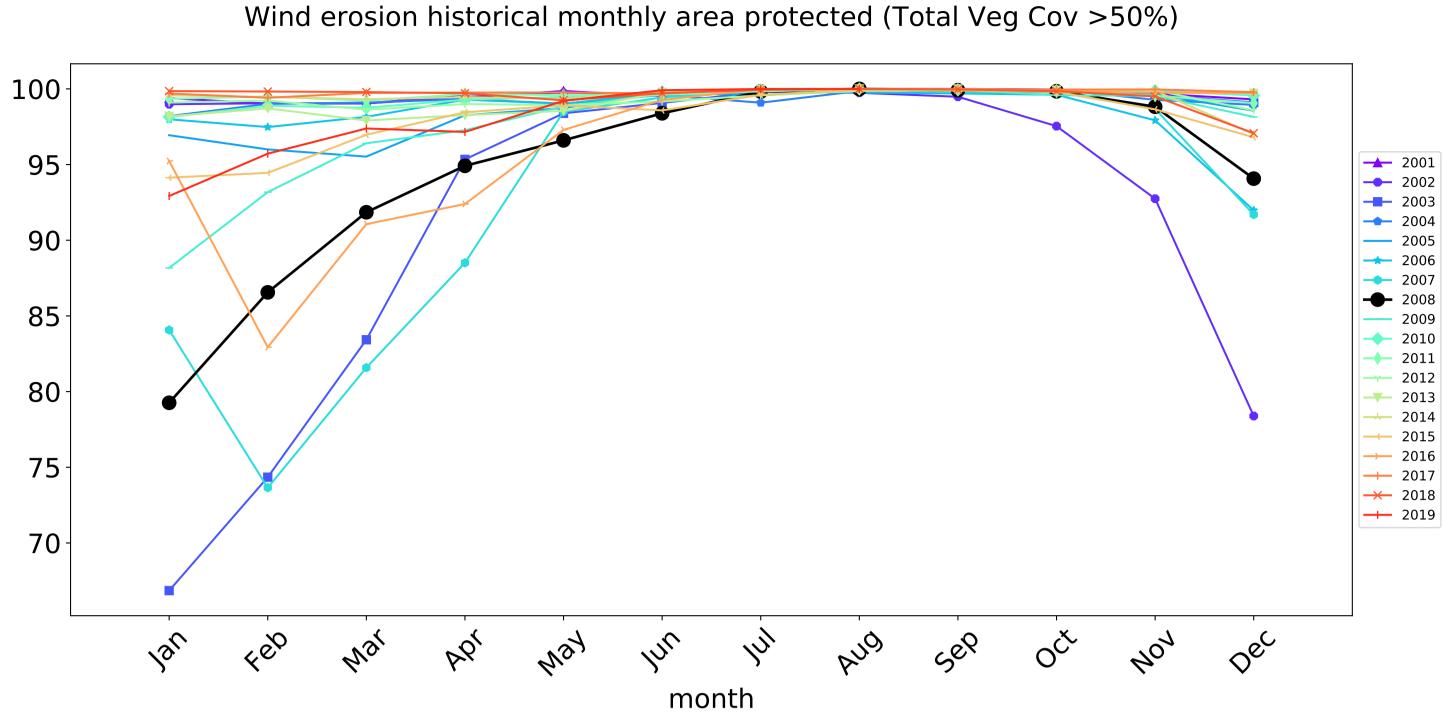


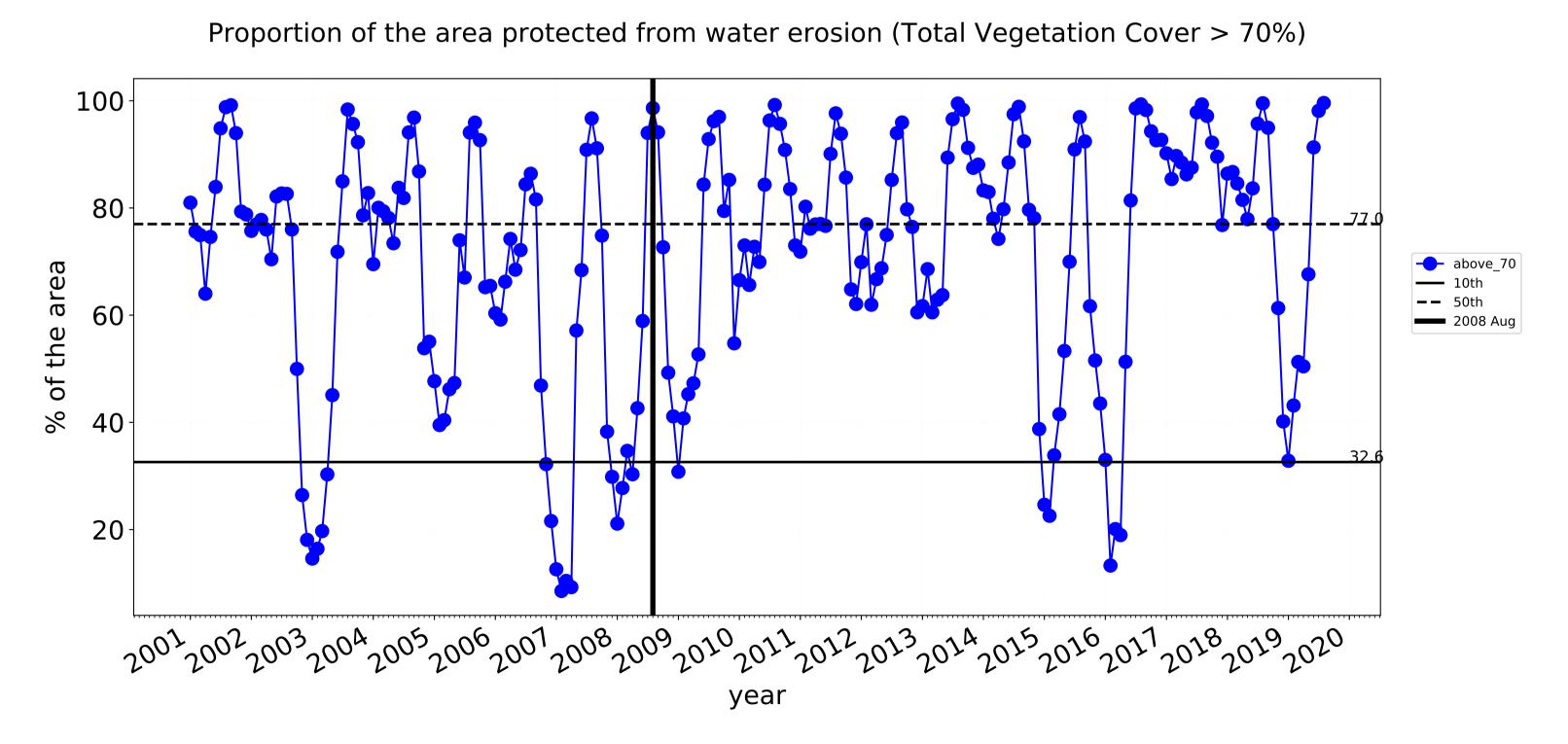


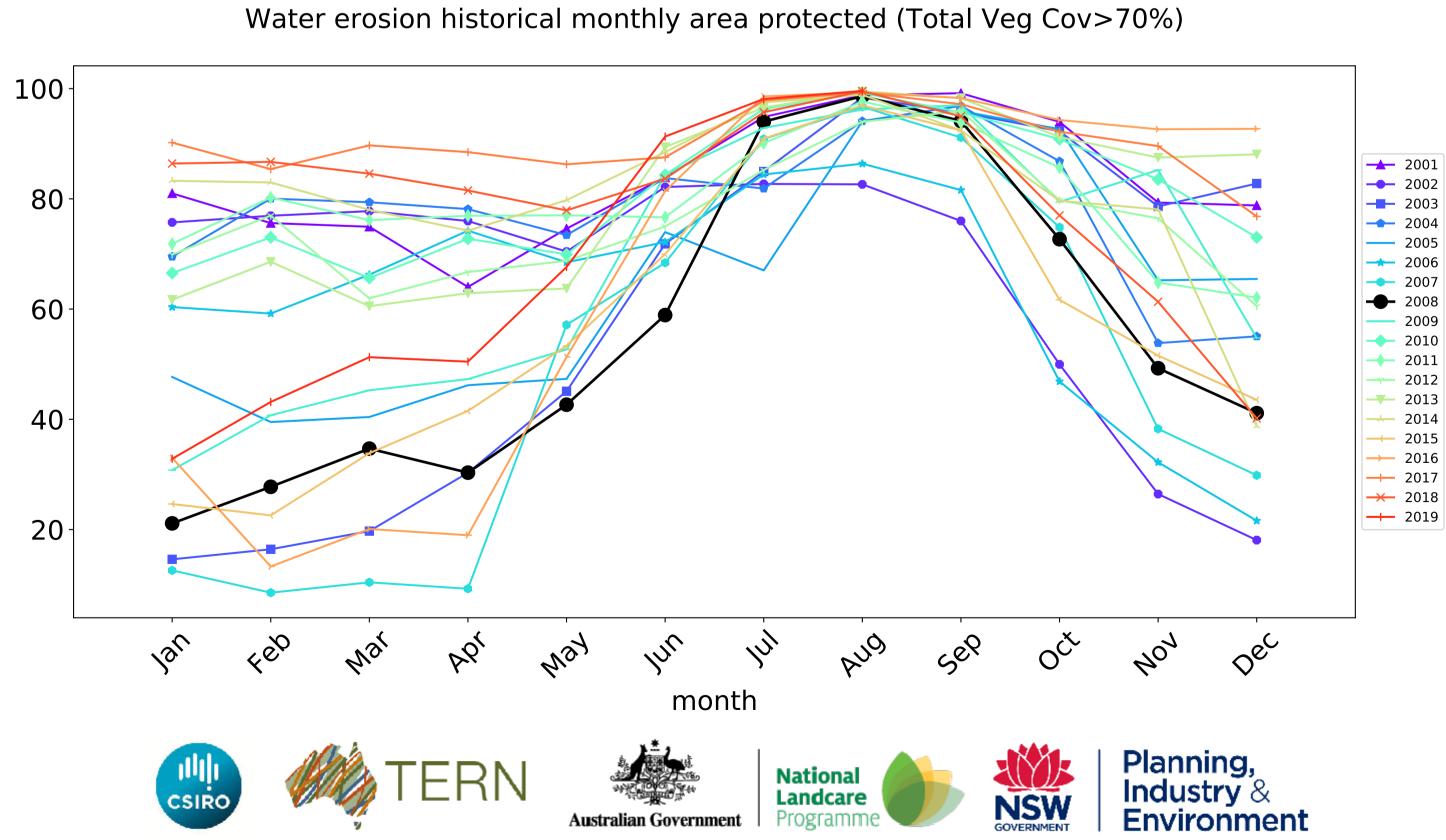


# **Cropping timeseries**









# **Production native forests and plantation forests**

### Land use and forest cover

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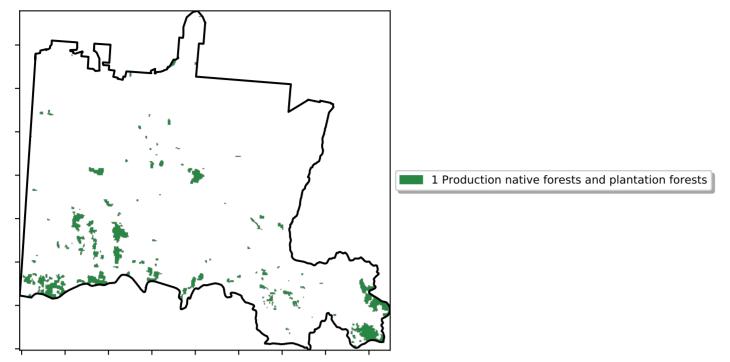
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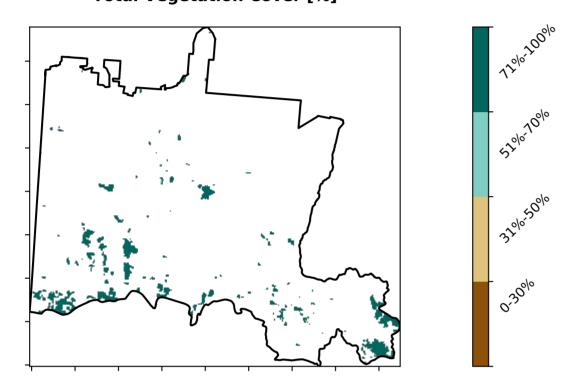
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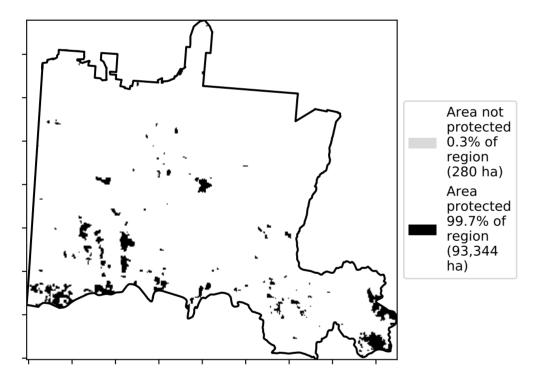
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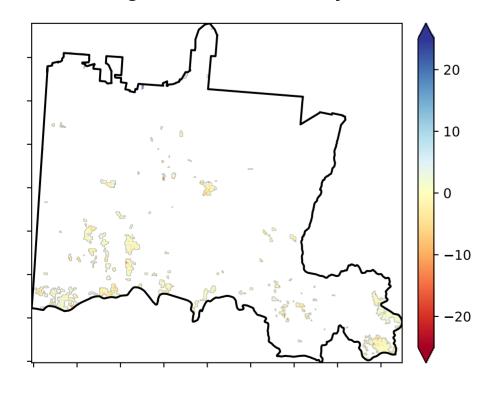
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



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

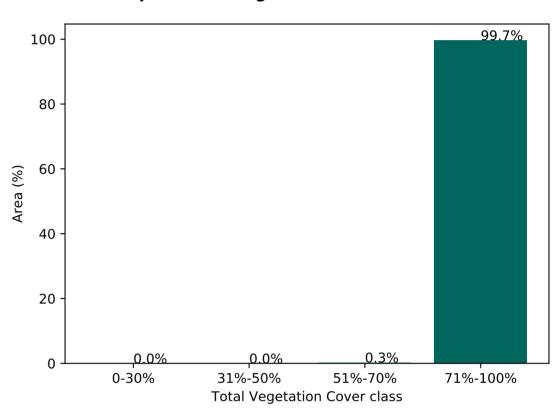


# Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

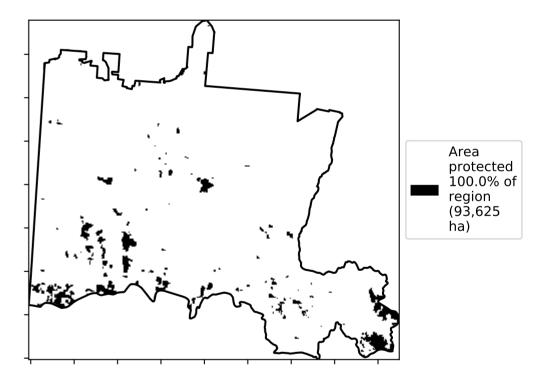


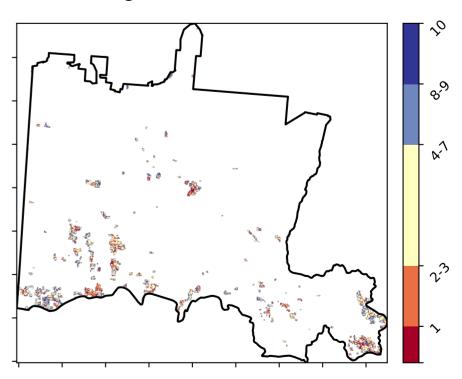
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### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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









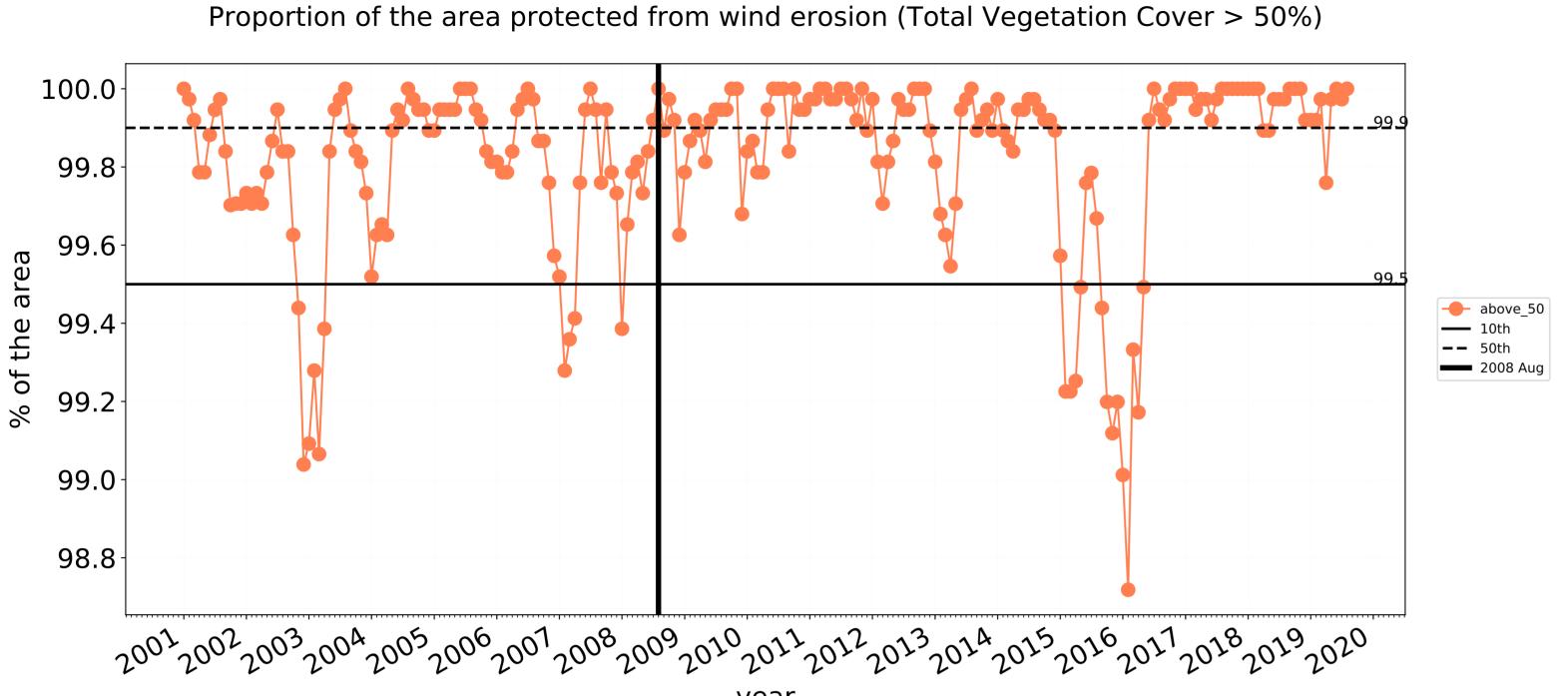


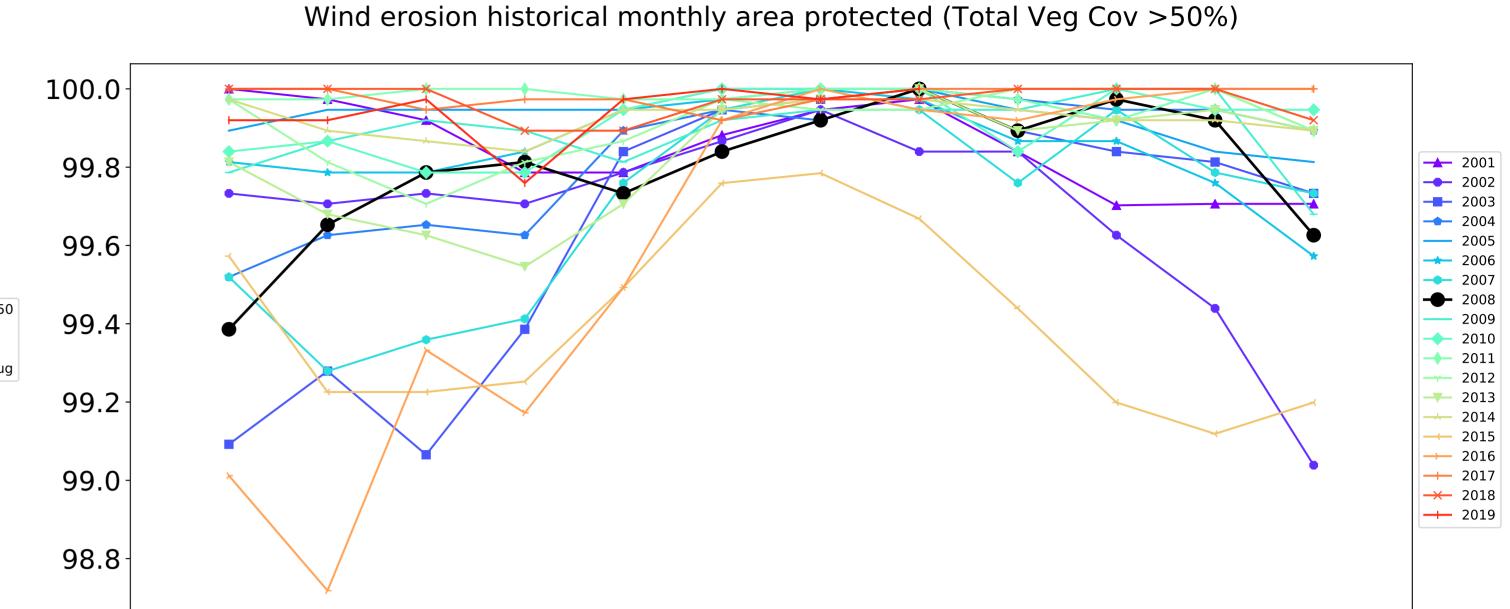




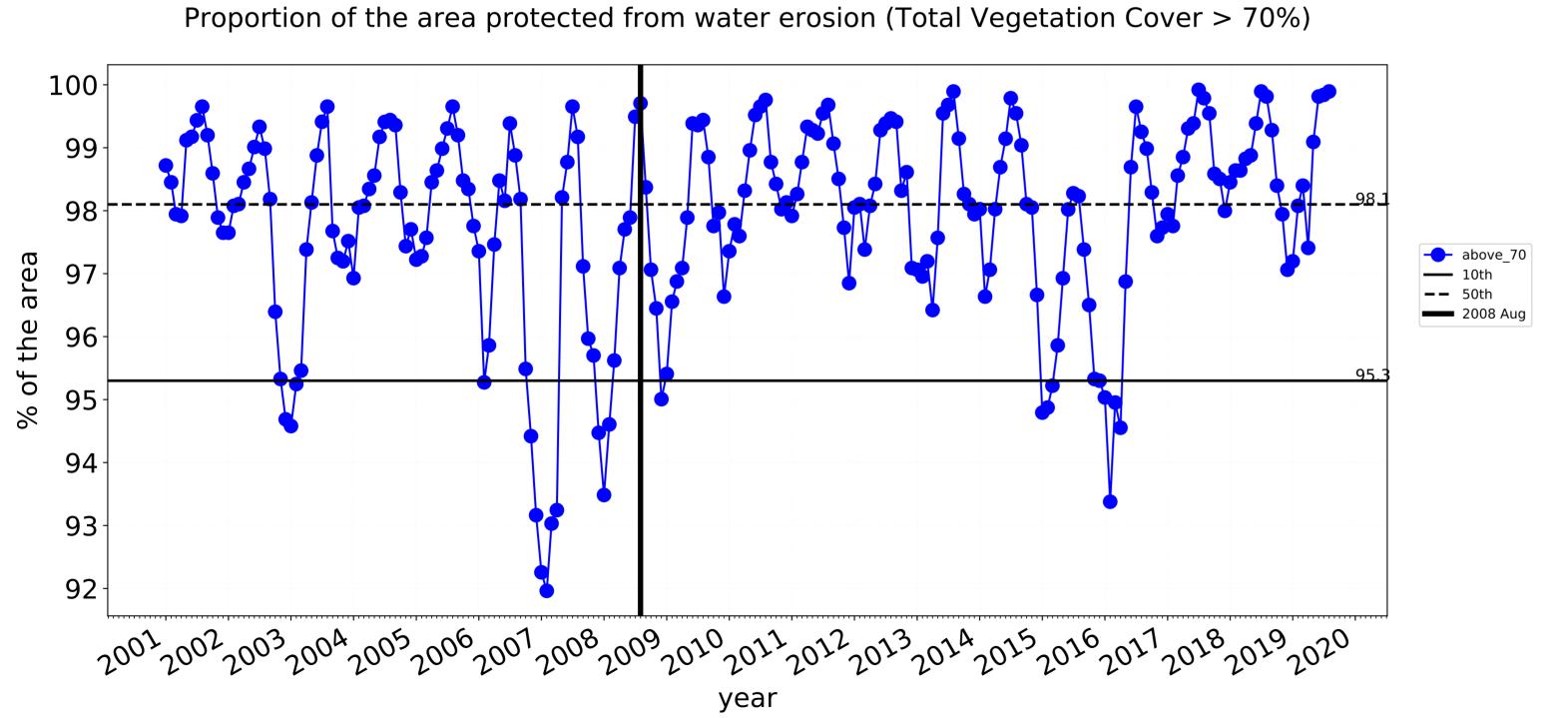


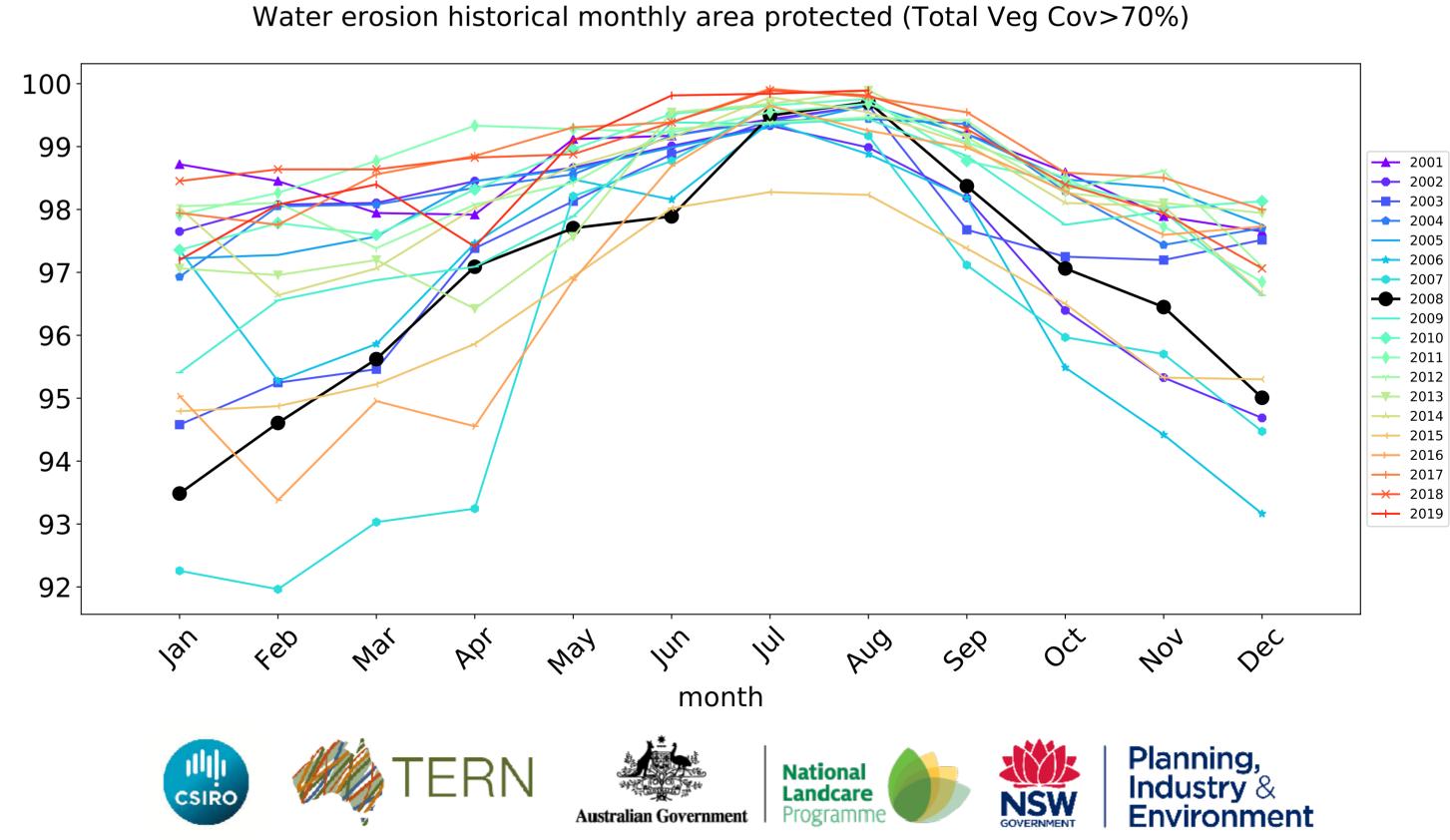
# **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**





month





# Wimmera (2,329,725 ha and no data 15,787 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	2,329,725	100.0% 2,329,373	99.9% 2,328,320	98.8% 2,301,177	85.8% 1,997,939	29.4% 684,618	8.3% 192,960
Conservation and natural environments	269,175	99.9% 268,950	99.6% 268,000	97.8% 263,175	90.9% 244,800	41.8% 112,425	12.6% 33,850
Conservation and natural environments non forest	40,875	99.5% 40,675	97.9% 40,000	91.4% 37,350	74.9% 30,625	31.1% 12,725	12.5% 5,100
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	200,925	100.0% 200,925	99.9% 200,650	98.9% 198,625	93.5% 187,950	40.2% 80,850	10.5% 21,150
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	27,375	99.9% 27,350	99.9% 27,350	99.4% 27,200	95.8% 26,225	68.9% 18,850	27.8% 7,600
Agriculture	1,908,725	100.0% 1,908,700	100.0% 1,908,675	99.0% 1,888,775	84.6% 1,614,200	25.9% 494,275	6.8% 130,525
Grazing	777,825	100.0% 777,825	100.0% 777,825	99.4% 773,275	93.6% 728,325	44.0% 342,550	13.0% 100,900
Grazing non forest	724,400	100.0% 724,400	100.0% 724,400	99.4% 720,175	93.5% 677,600	43.3% 313,625	12.7% 92,150
Grazing Woodland forest	49,525	100.0% 49,525	100.0% 49,525	99.3% 49,200	94.5% 46,825	53.1% 26,300	15.2% 7,525
Cropping	1,125,625	100.0% 1,125,600	100.0% 1,125,575	98.6% 1,110,350	78.3% 881,200	13.3% 149,425	2.5% 28,700
Production native forests and plantation forests	93,625	100.0% 93,625	100.0% 93,625	99.7% 93,350	97.2% 91,025	62.9% 58,925	24.0% 22,450











