# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Swan Region WA

# **Date: February 2010**

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:

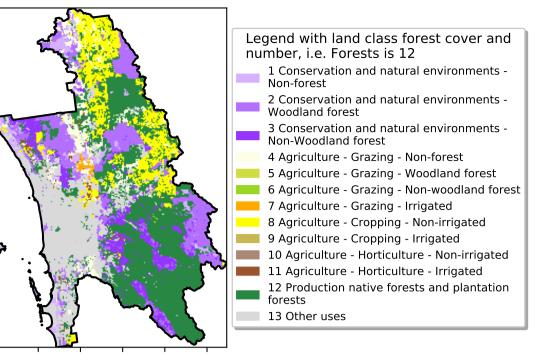
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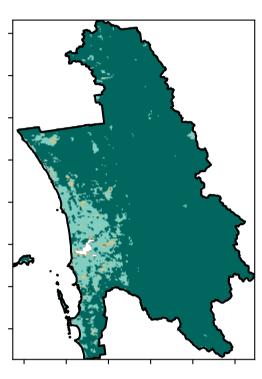


# **Vegetation Cover Feb 2010**

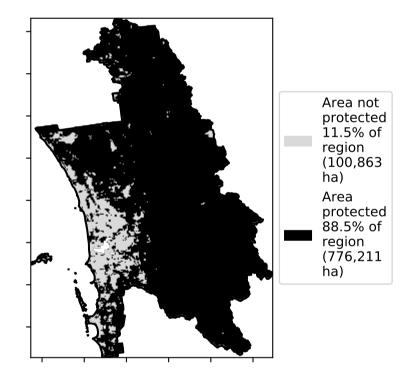
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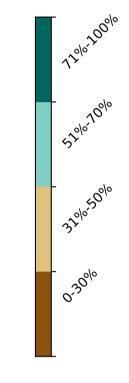


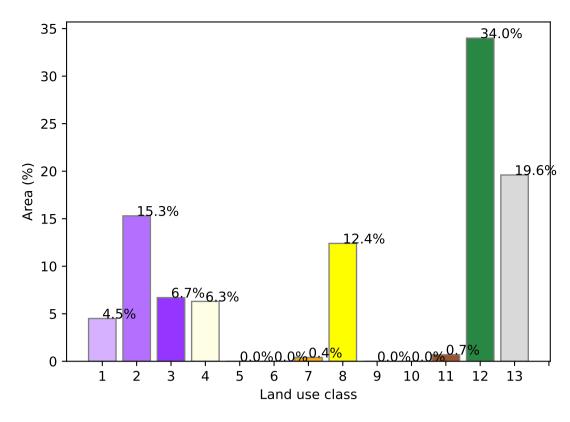
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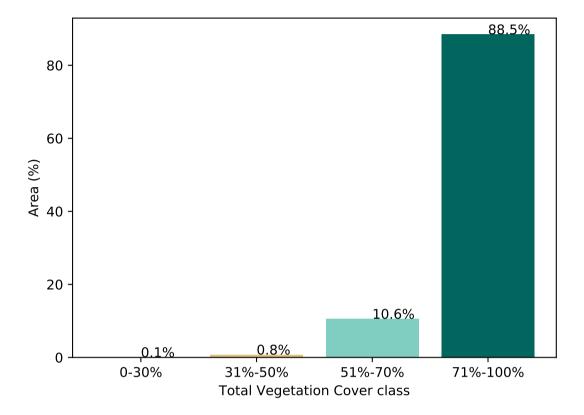
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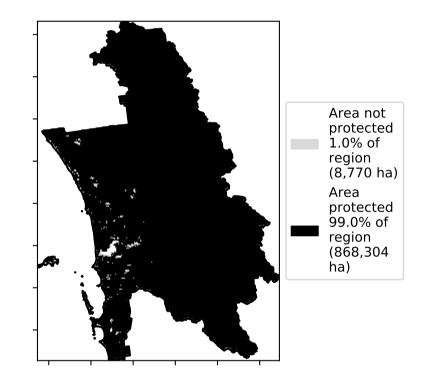




### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



#### Proportion of each land class in area

**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

Anomaly show how many percetage points each pixel is from the mean. That is, red pixels are about 20% lower than the mean of that pixel. The mean is only for the month of the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019.

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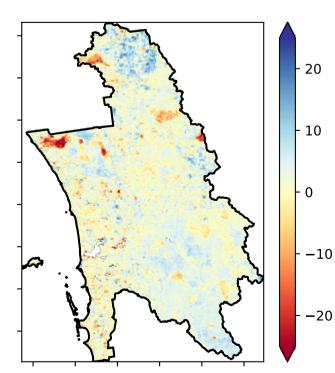
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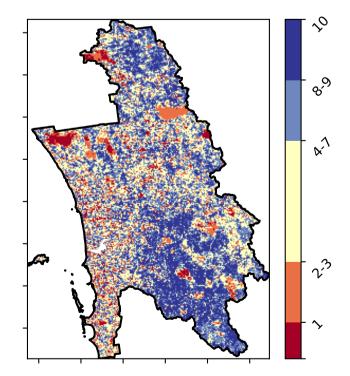
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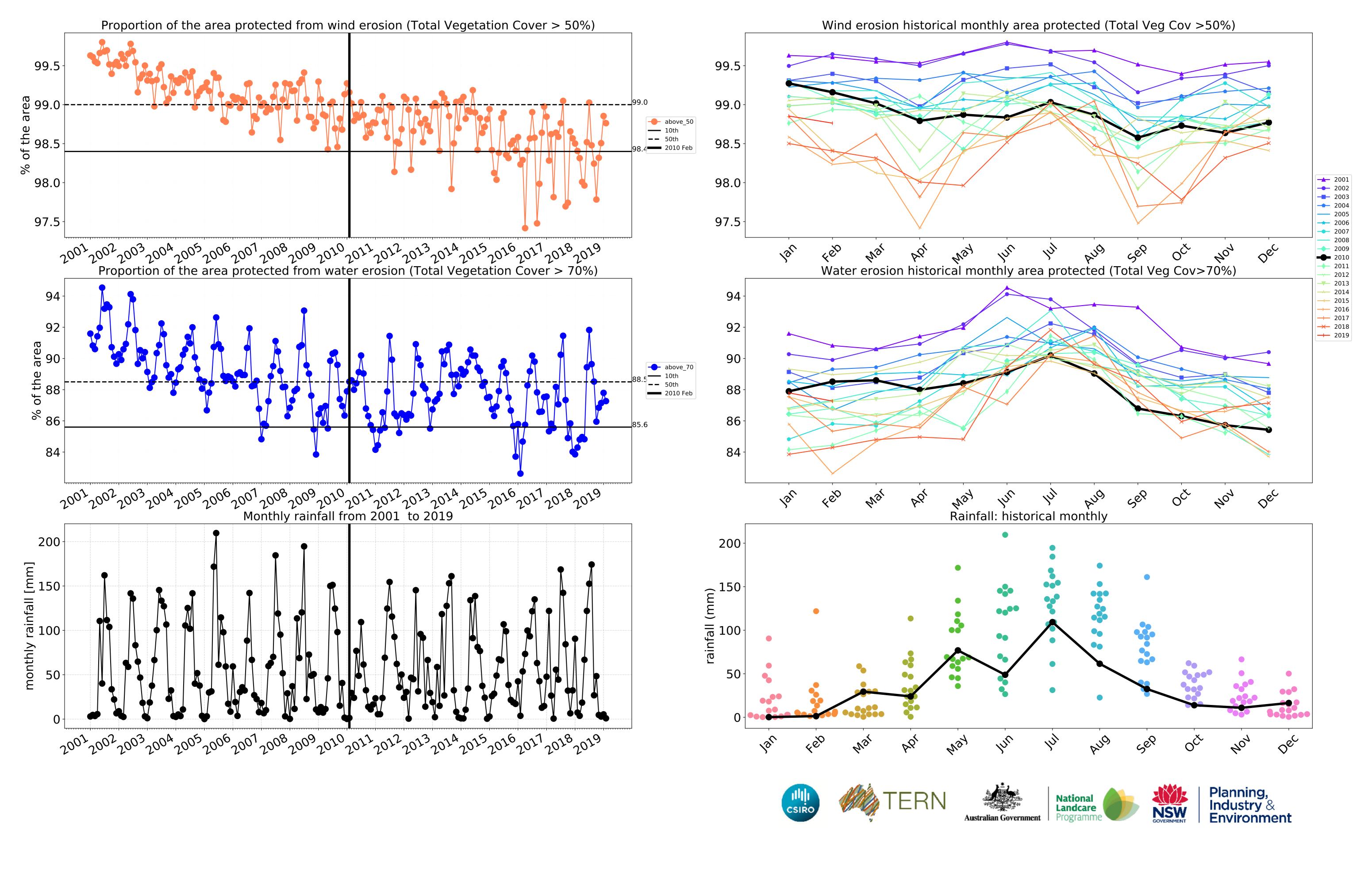


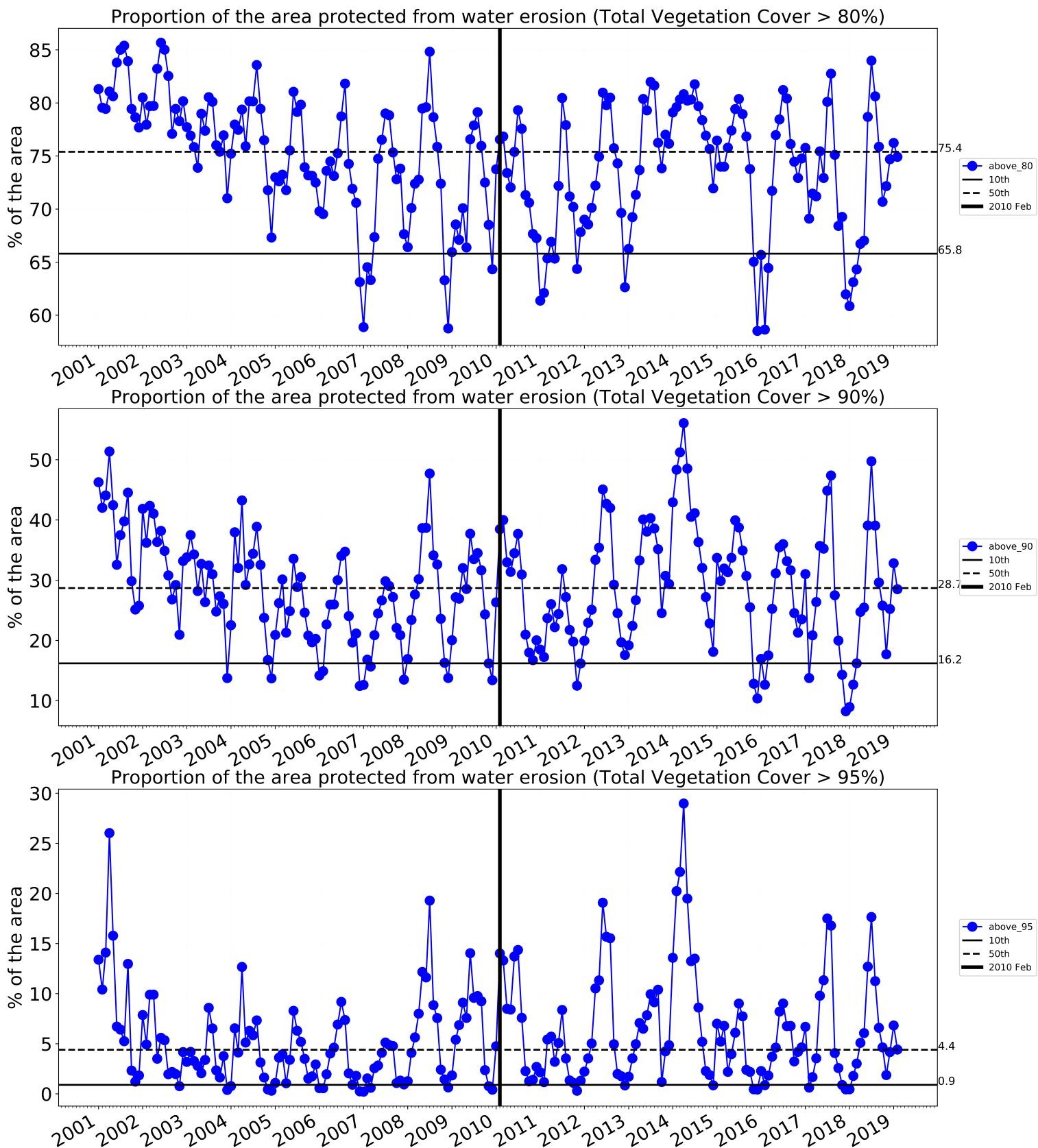
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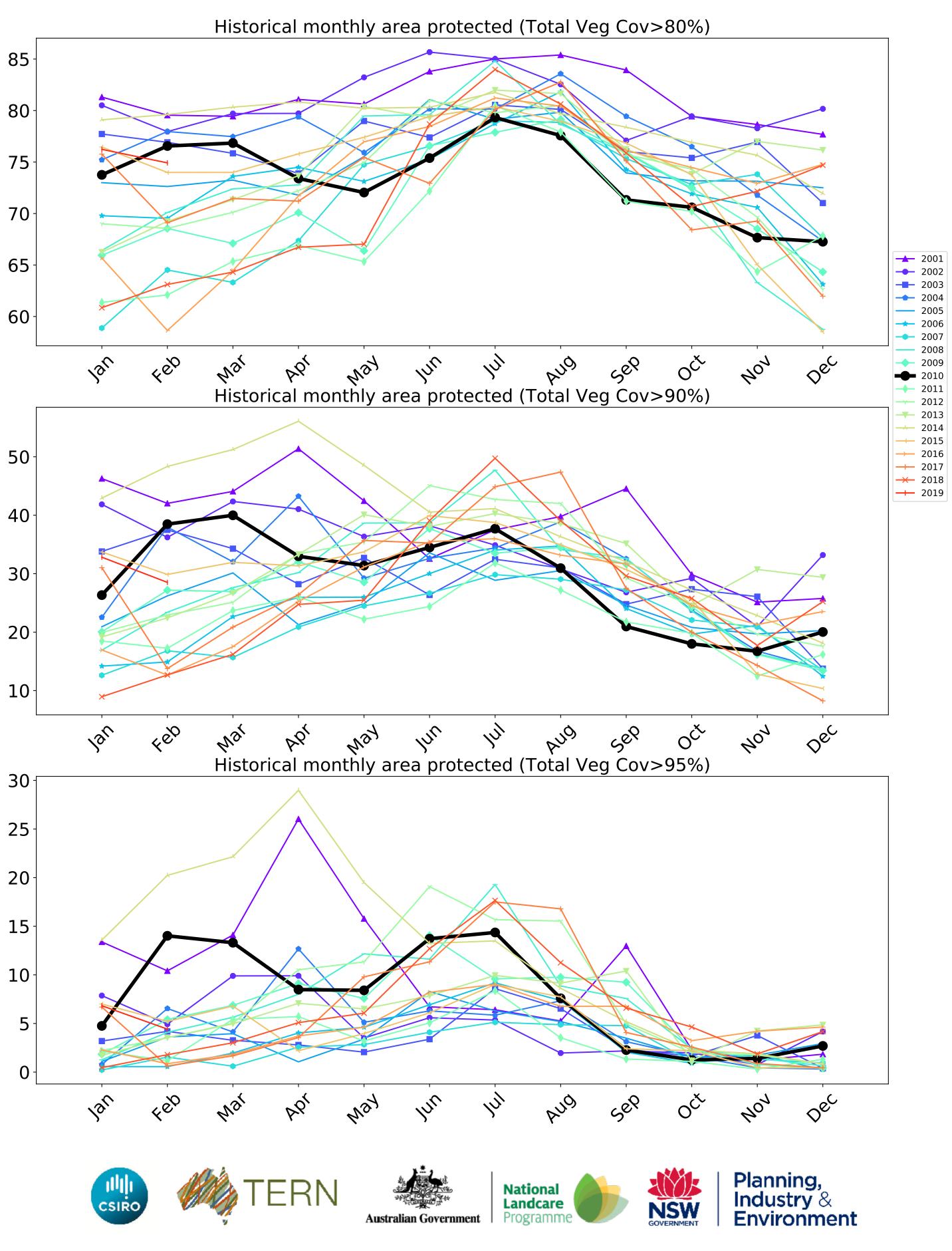
**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 











# **Conservation and natural environments**

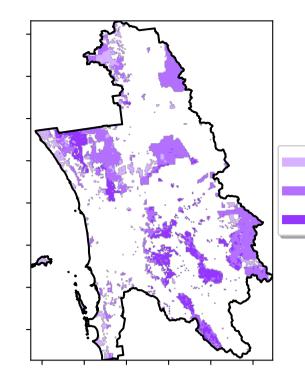
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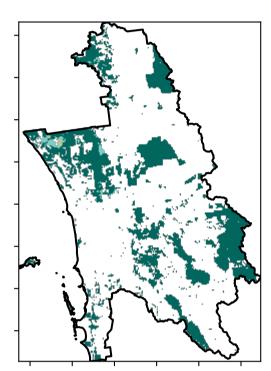
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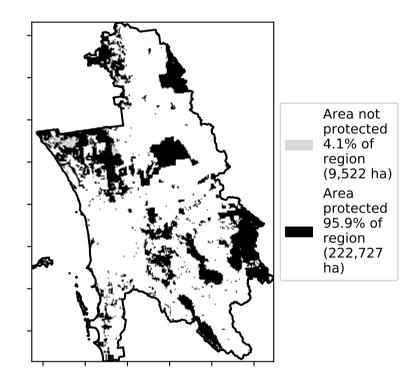
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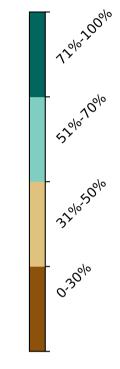


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



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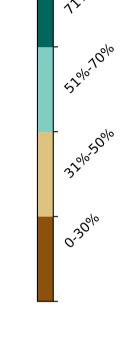


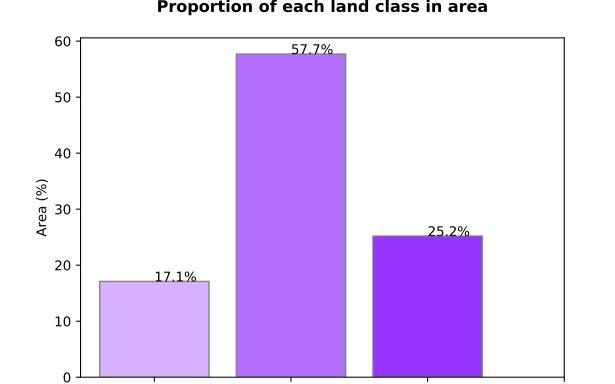


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### Proportion of each land class in area

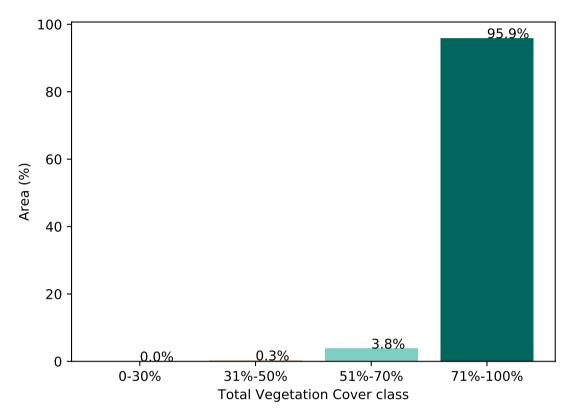
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

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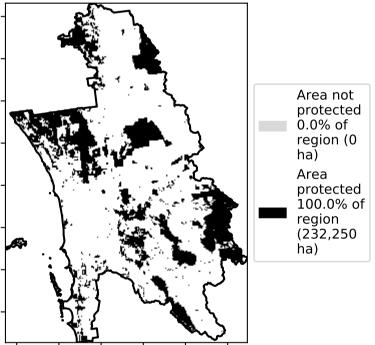
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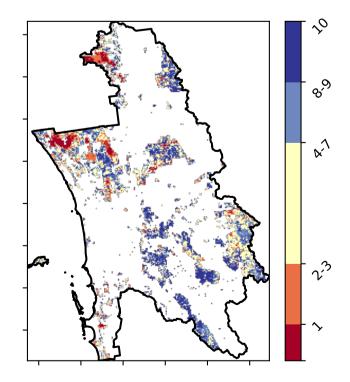
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% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 





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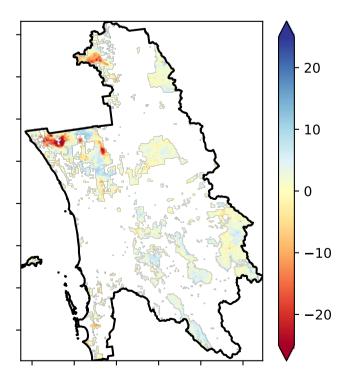
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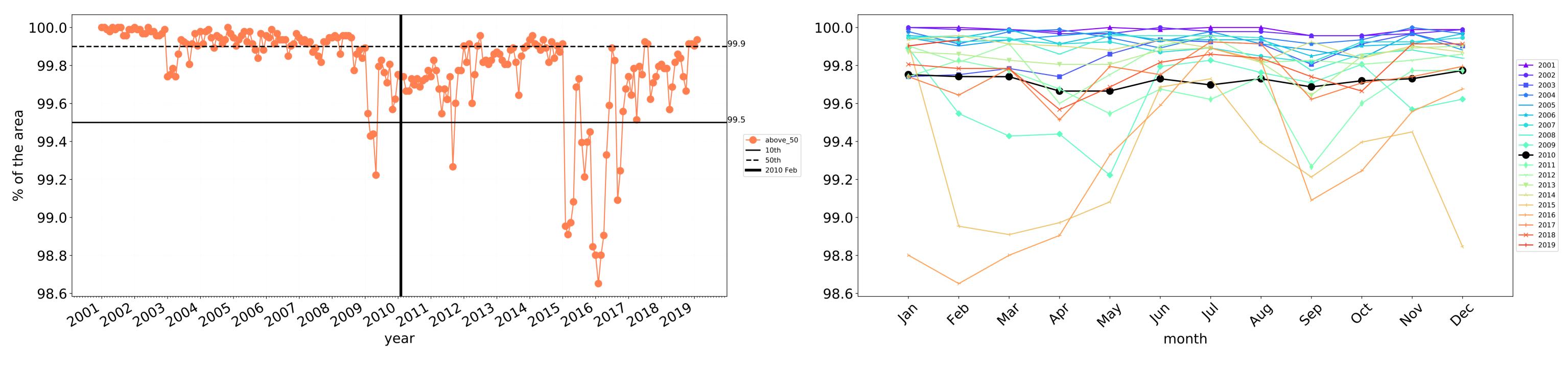
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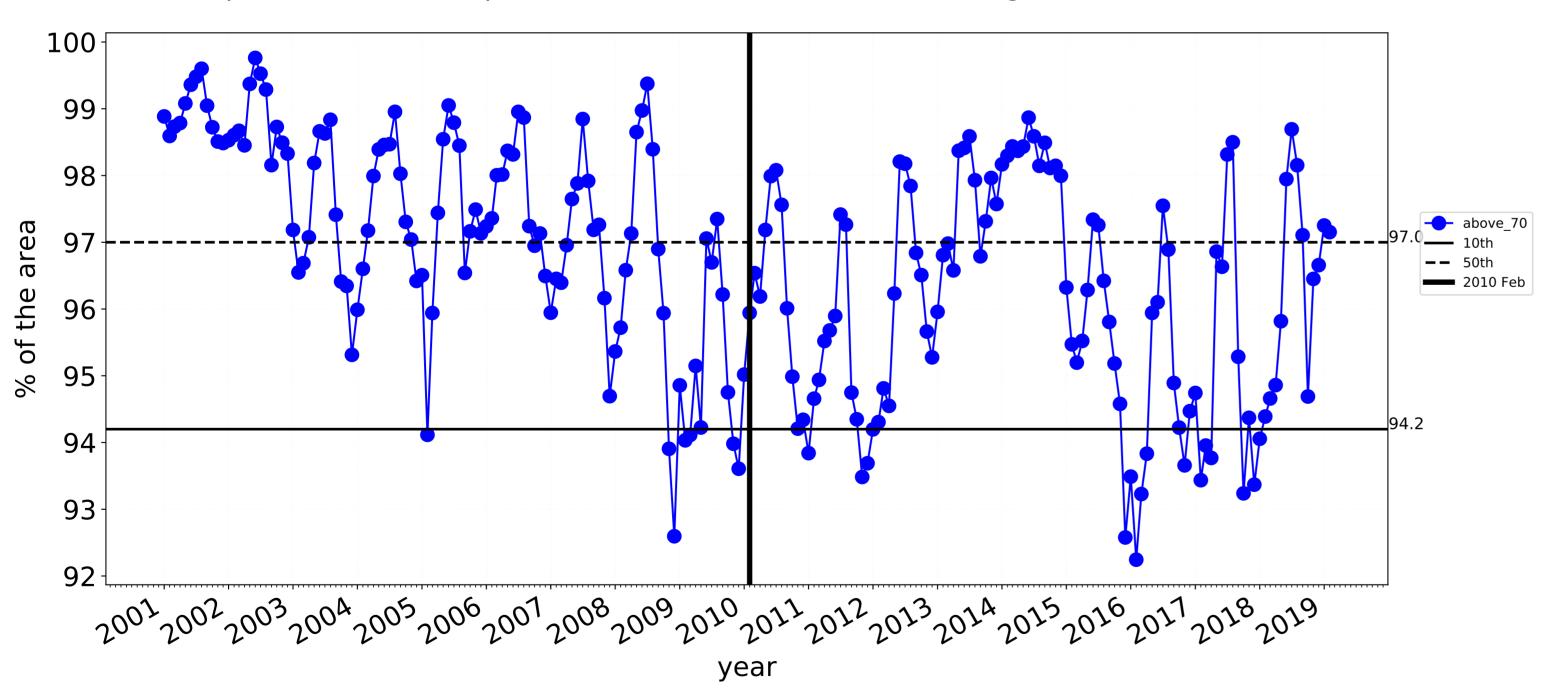
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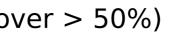




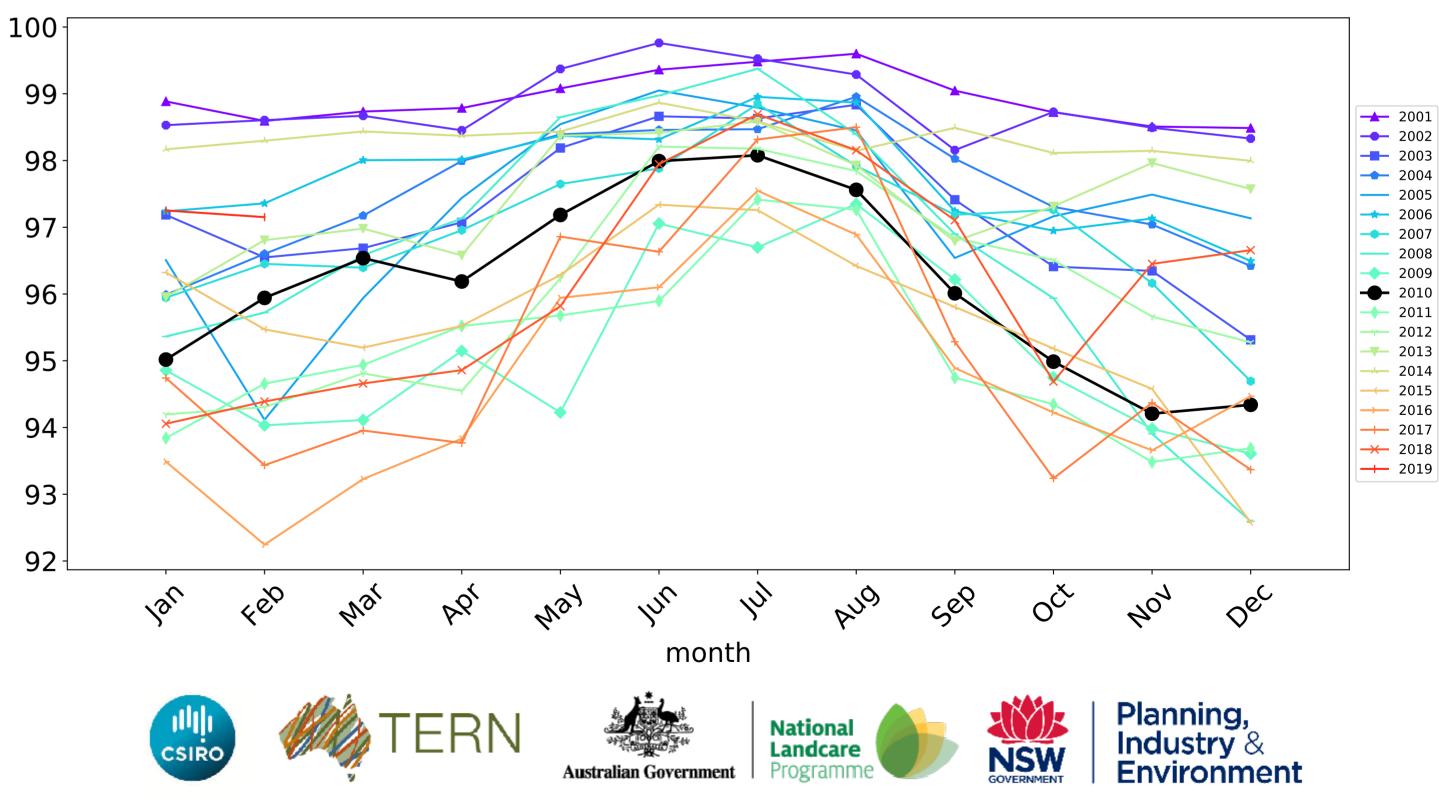
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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

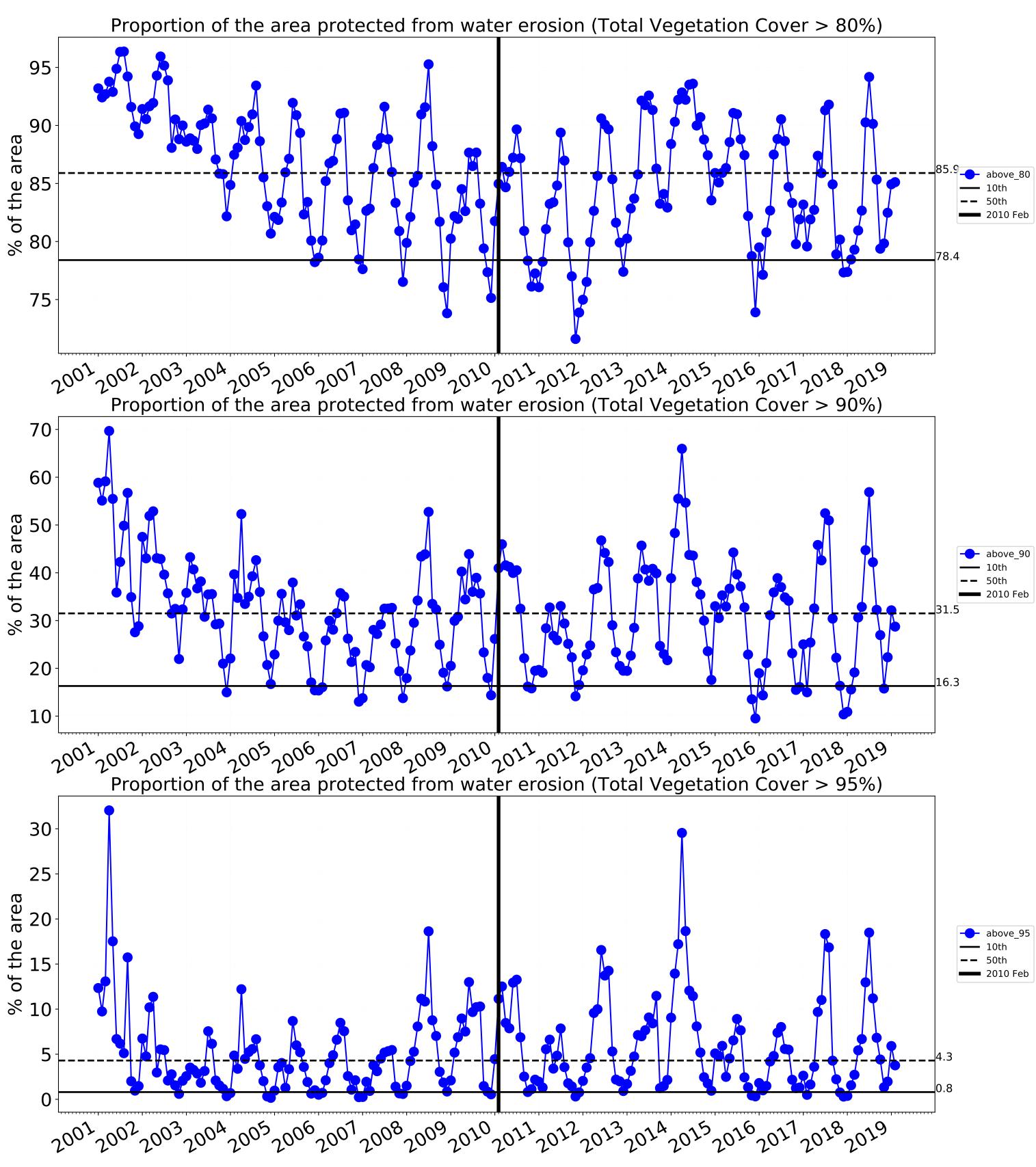


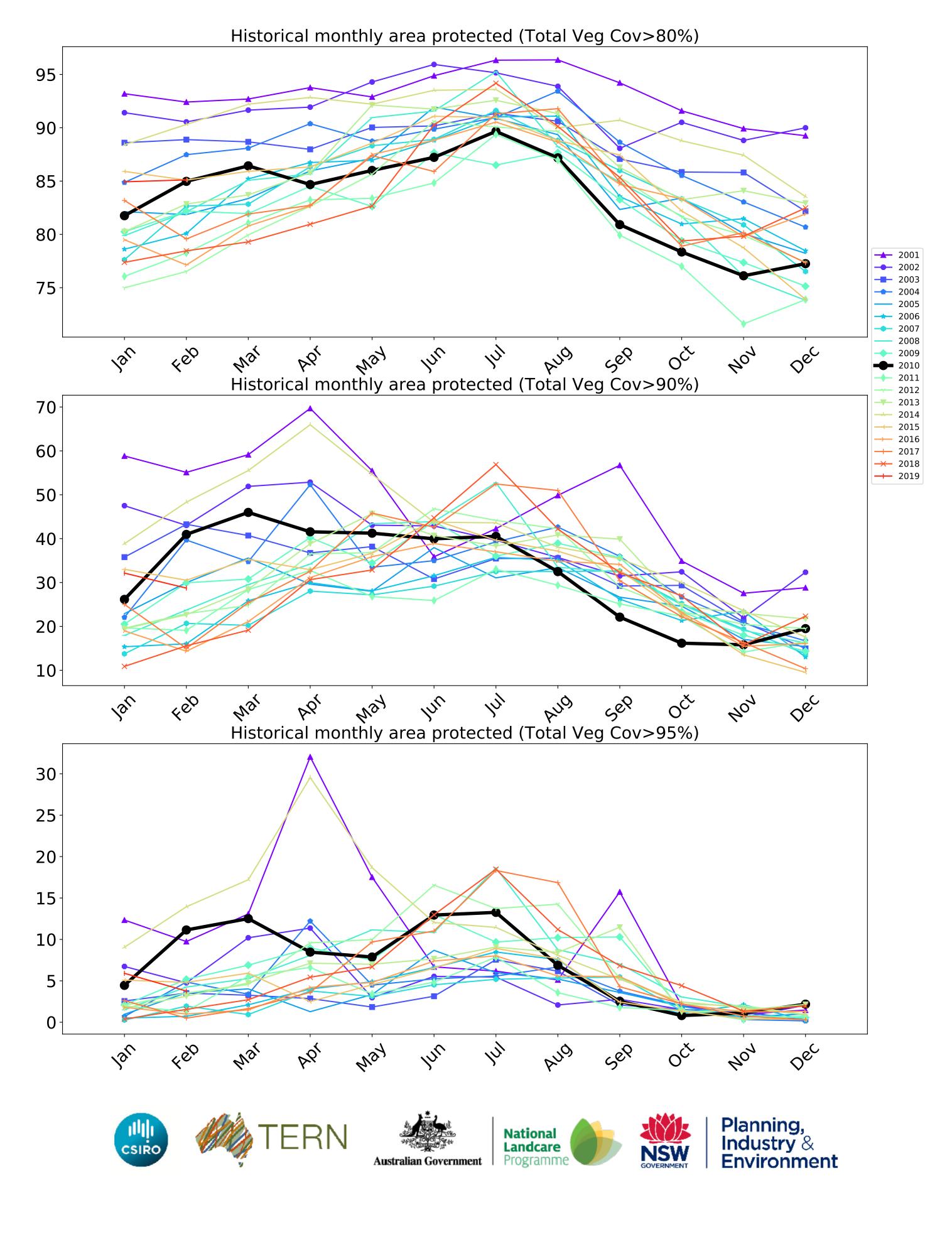


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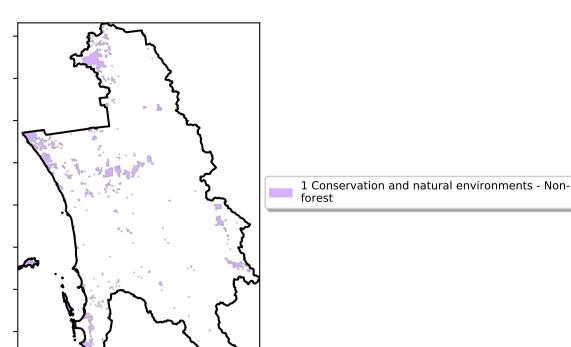




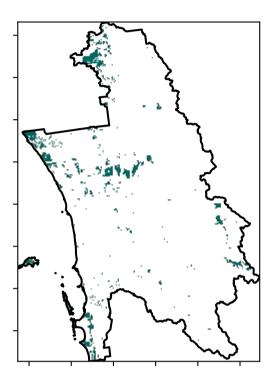
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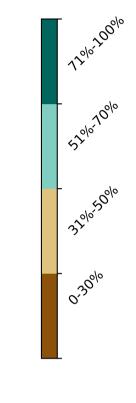
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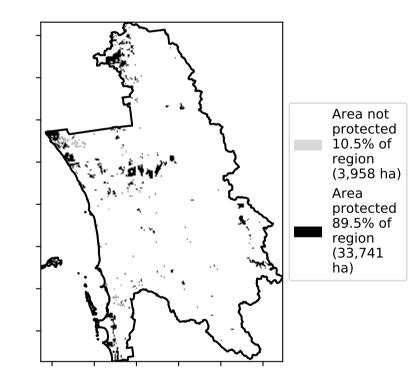


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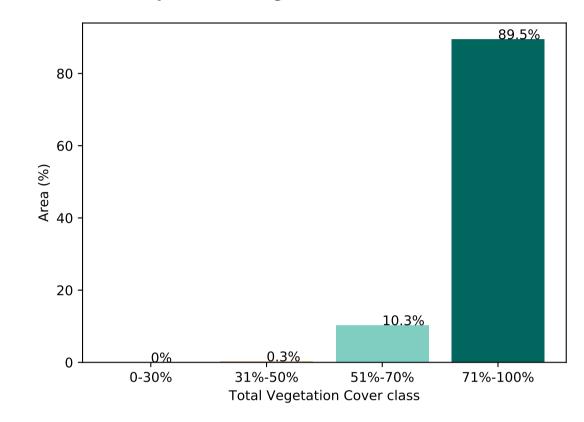




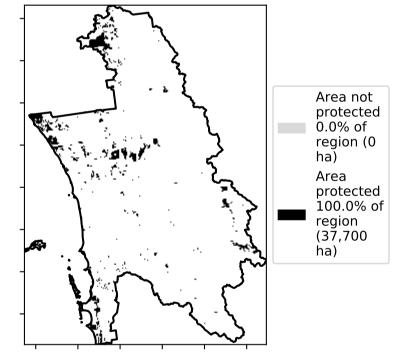
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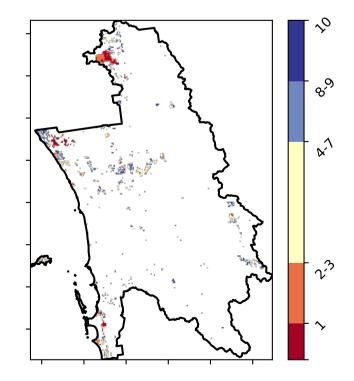
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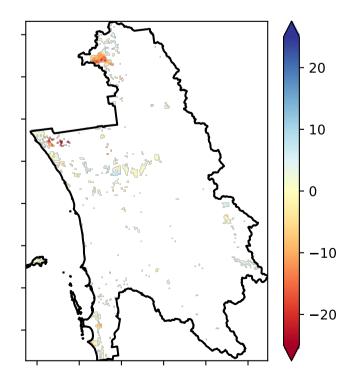
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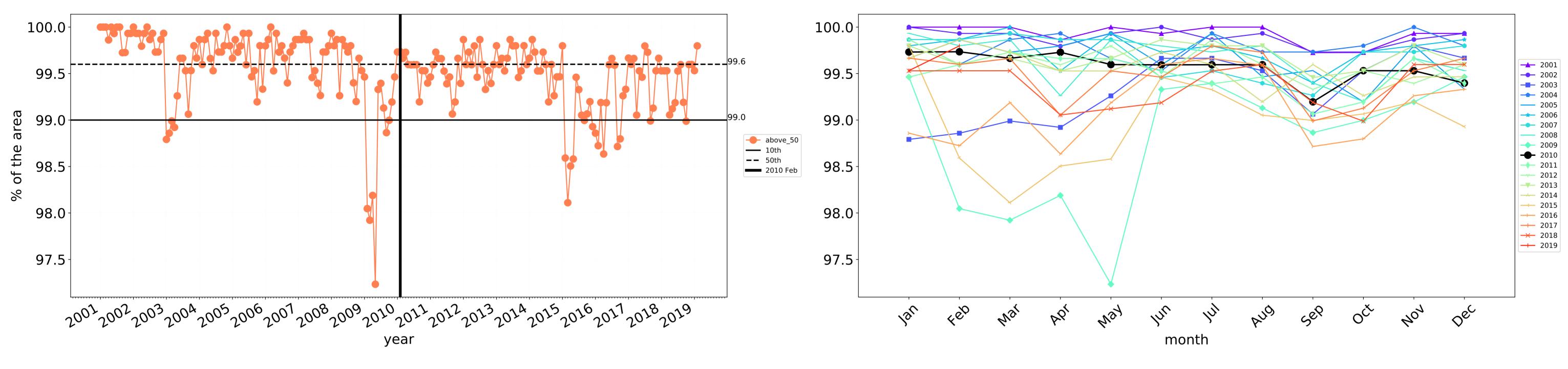


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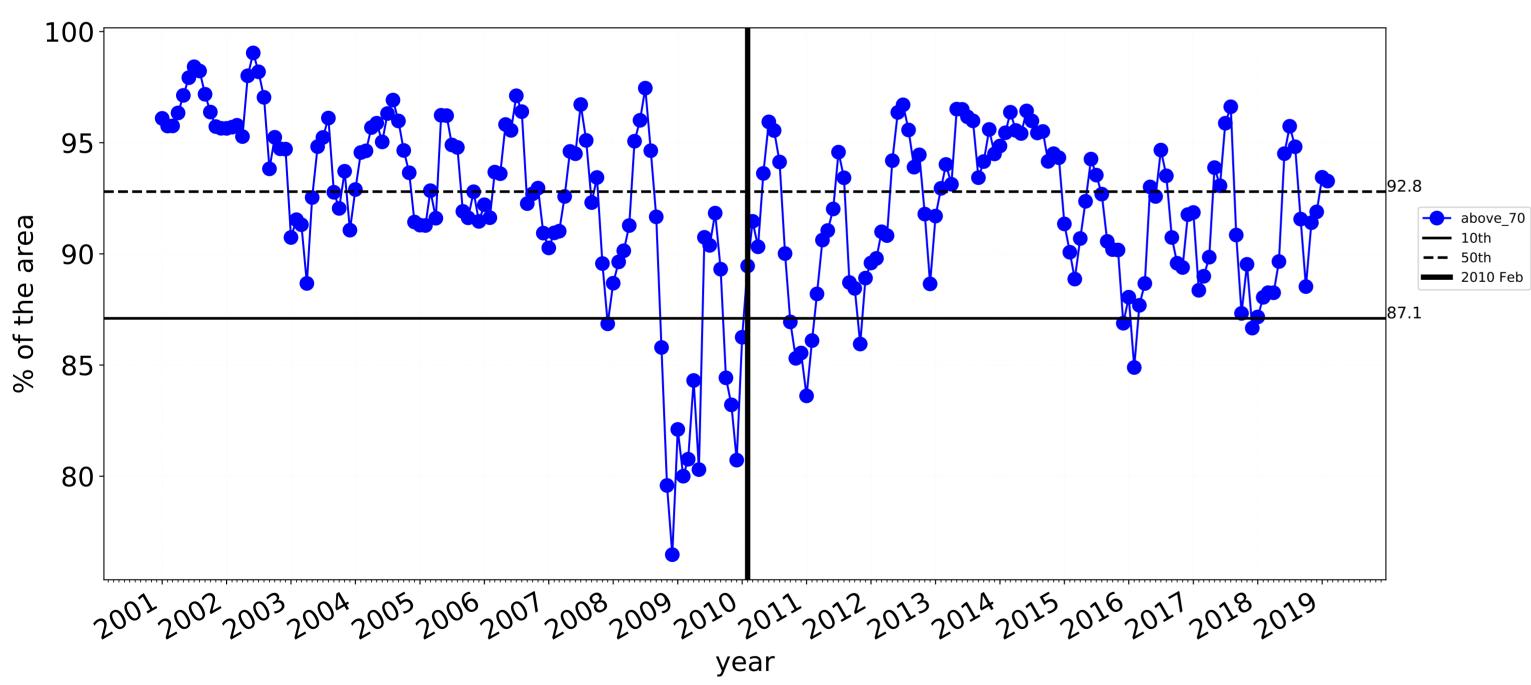
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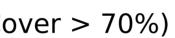
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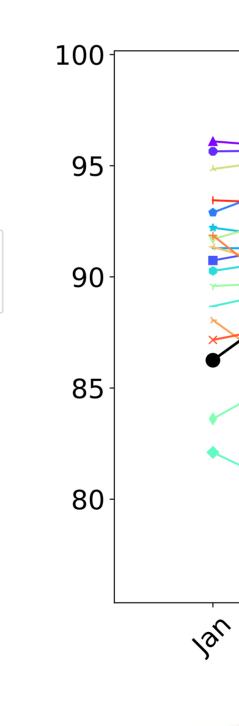
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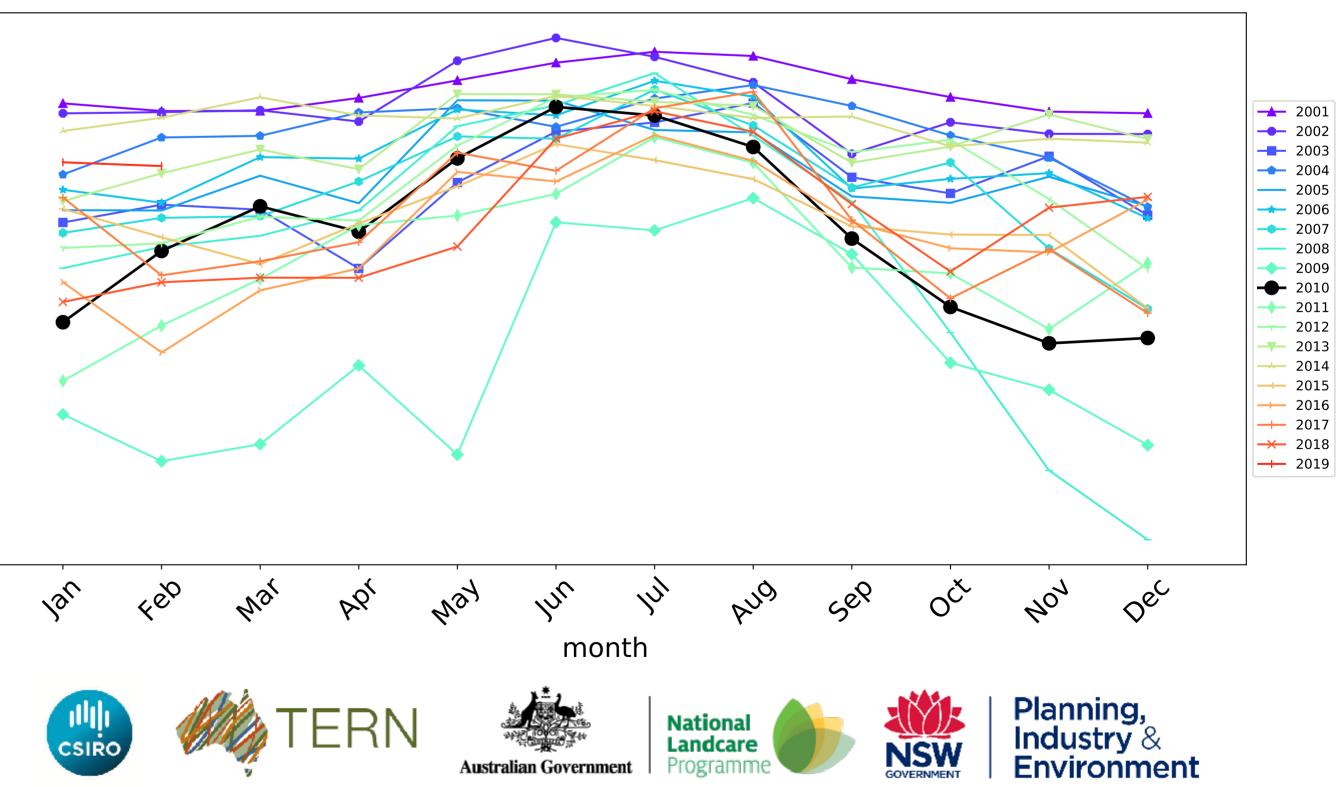


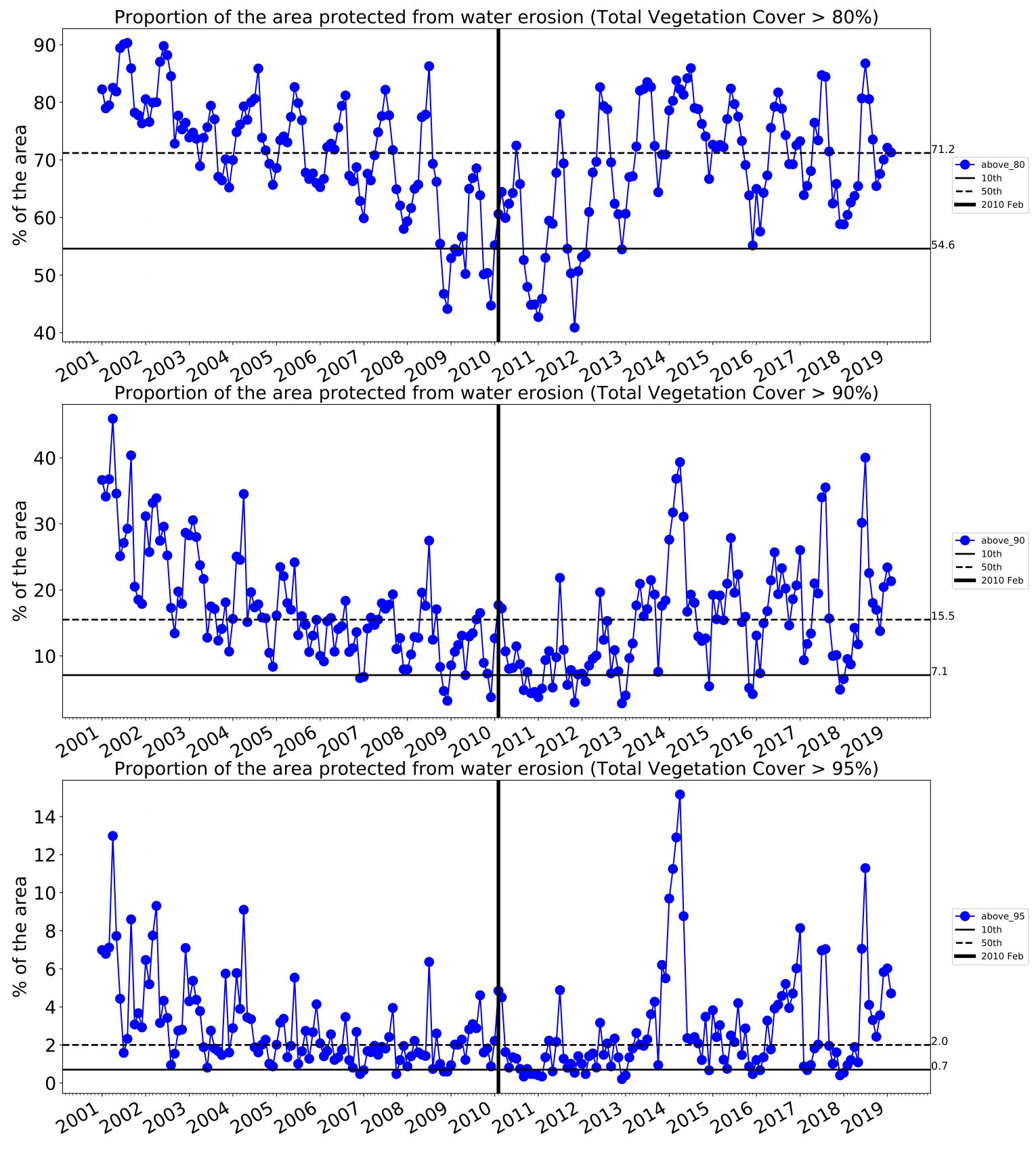
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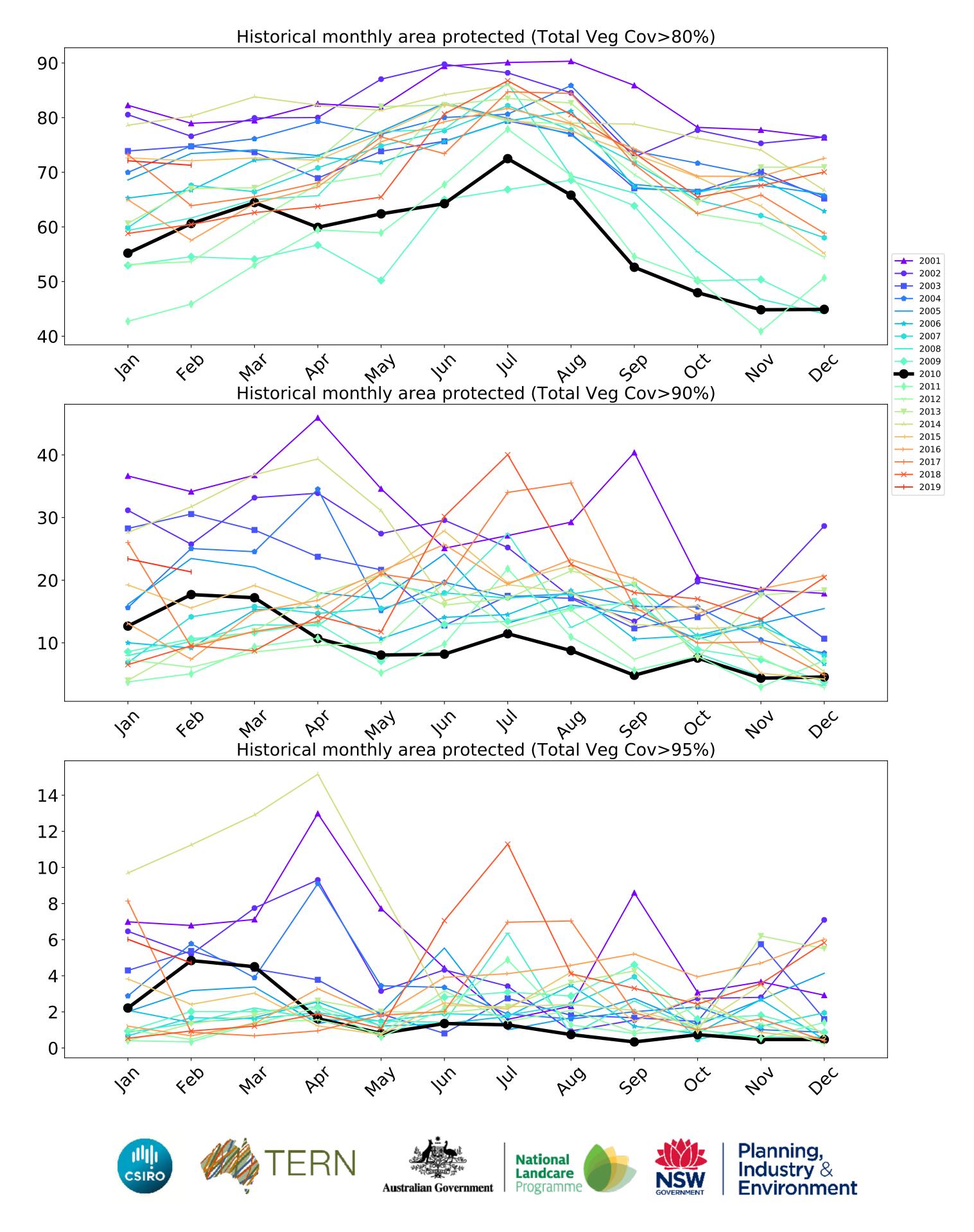








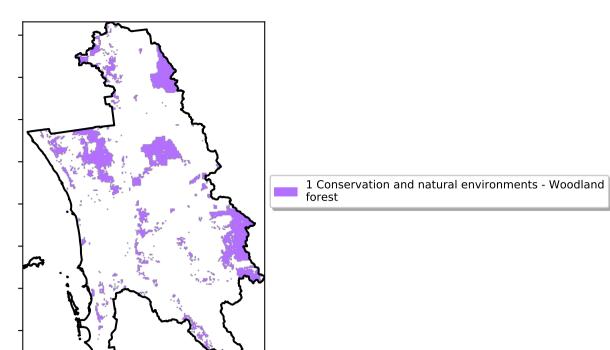




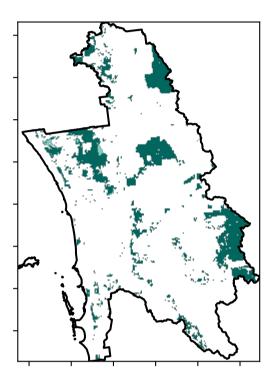
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Land use and forest cover

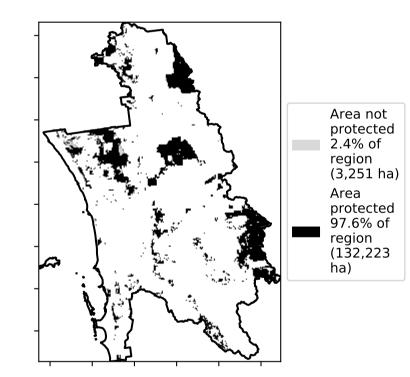
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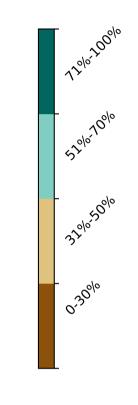


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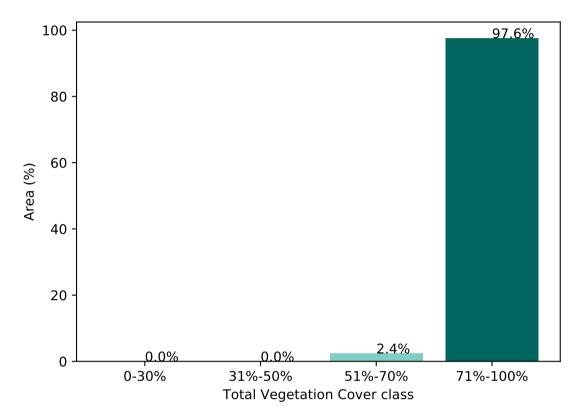




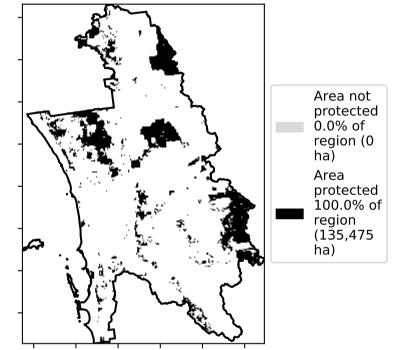




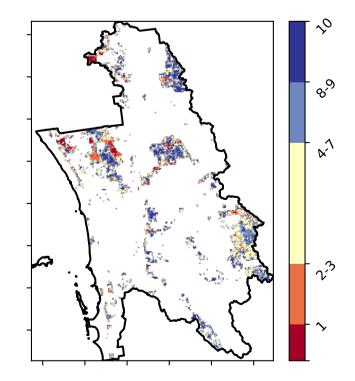




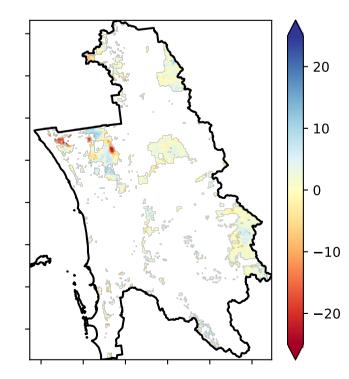
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



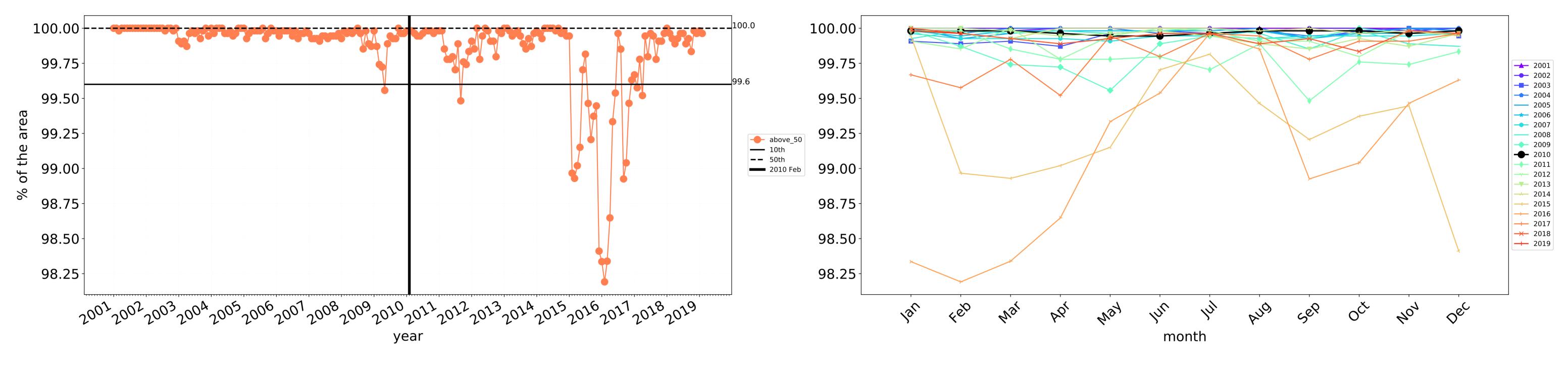
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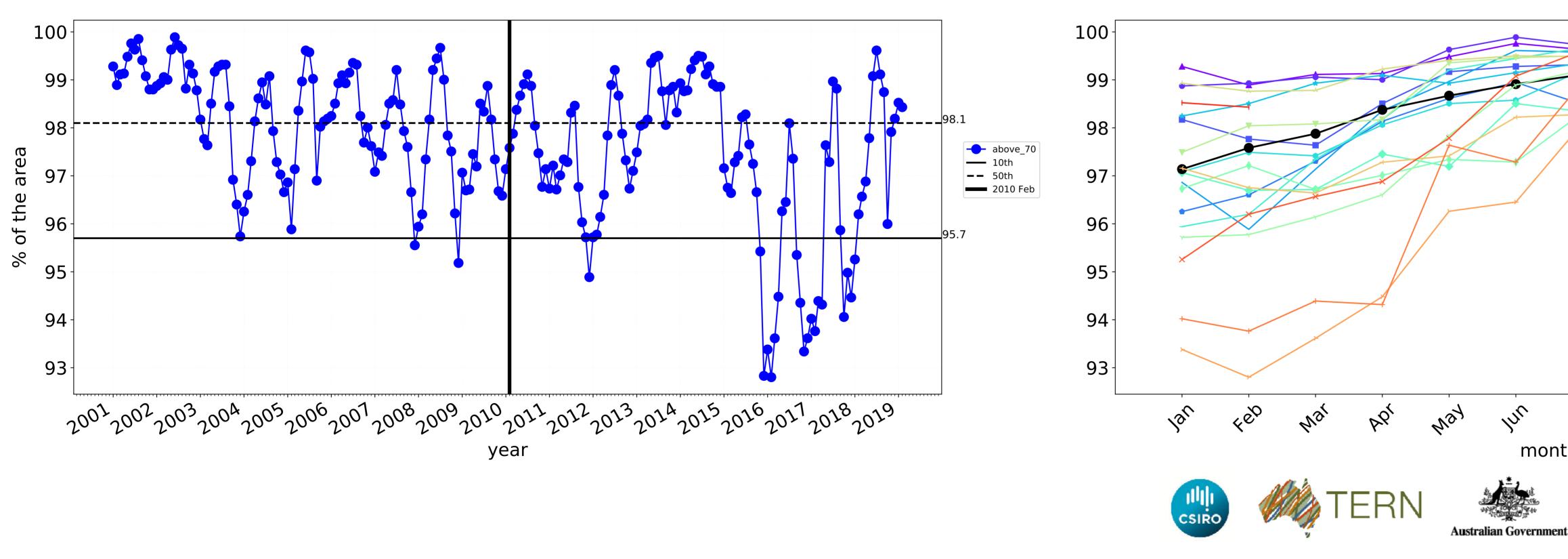


# **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries**



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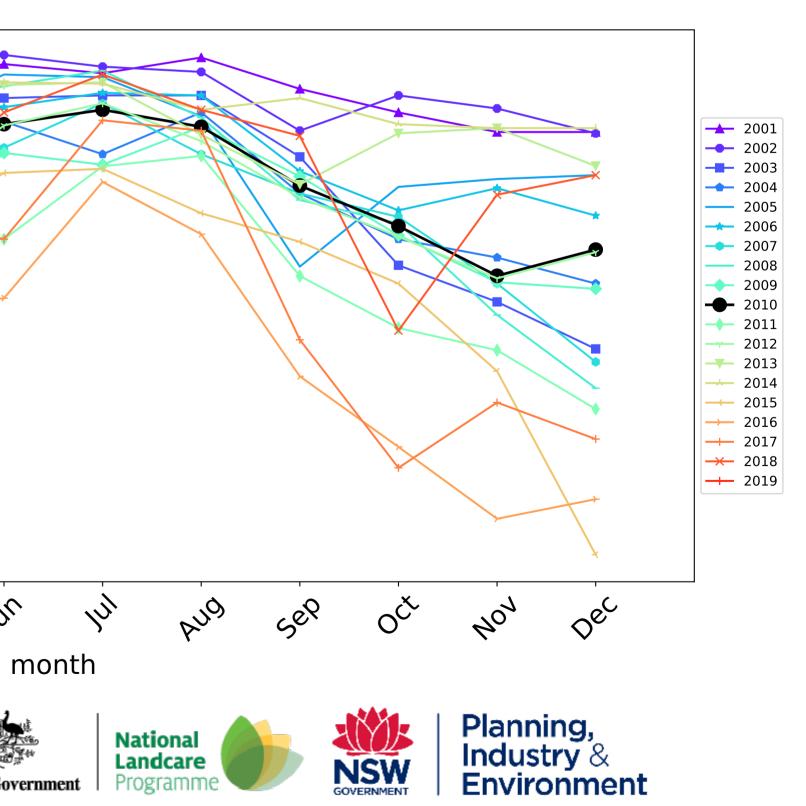
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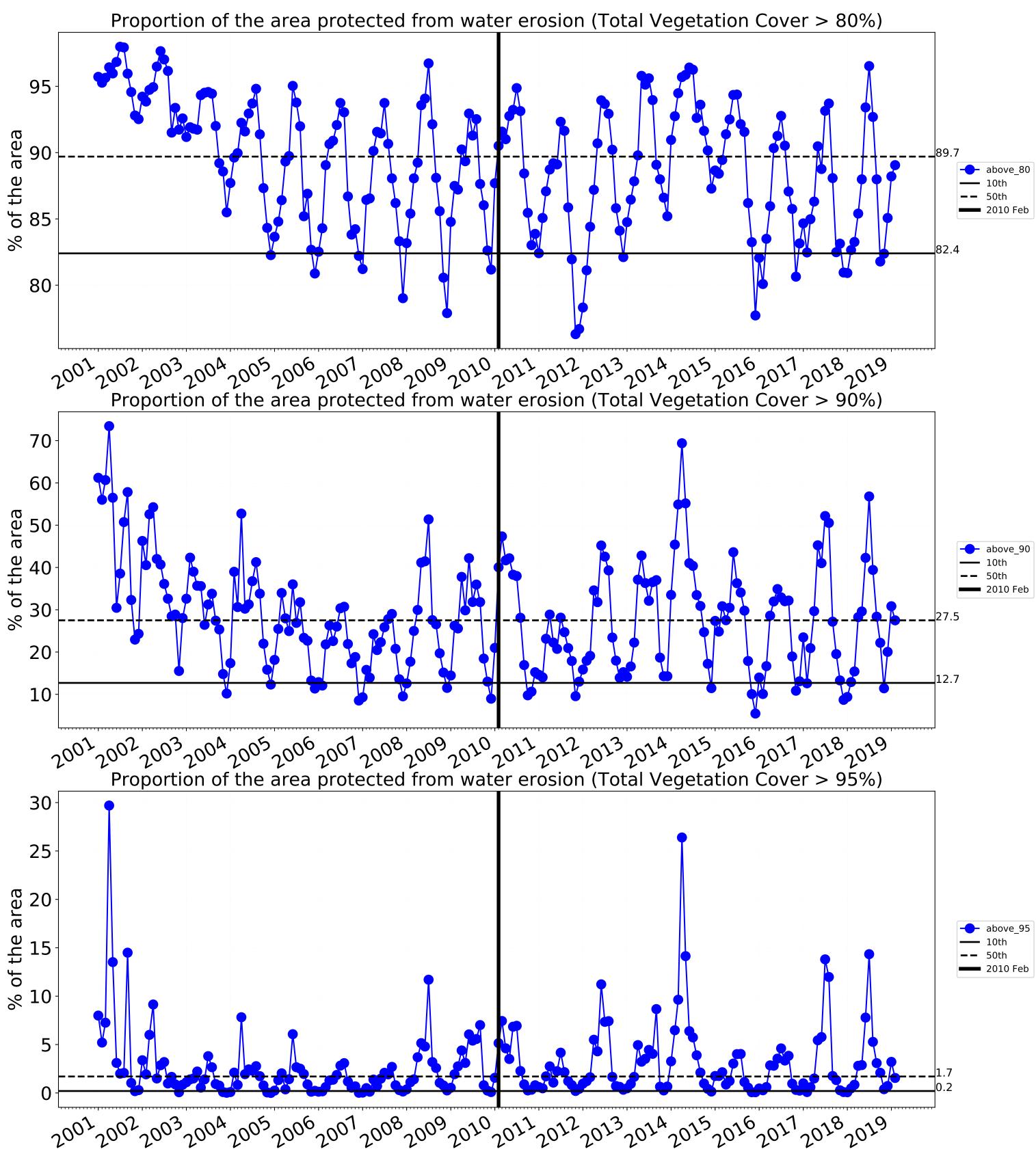


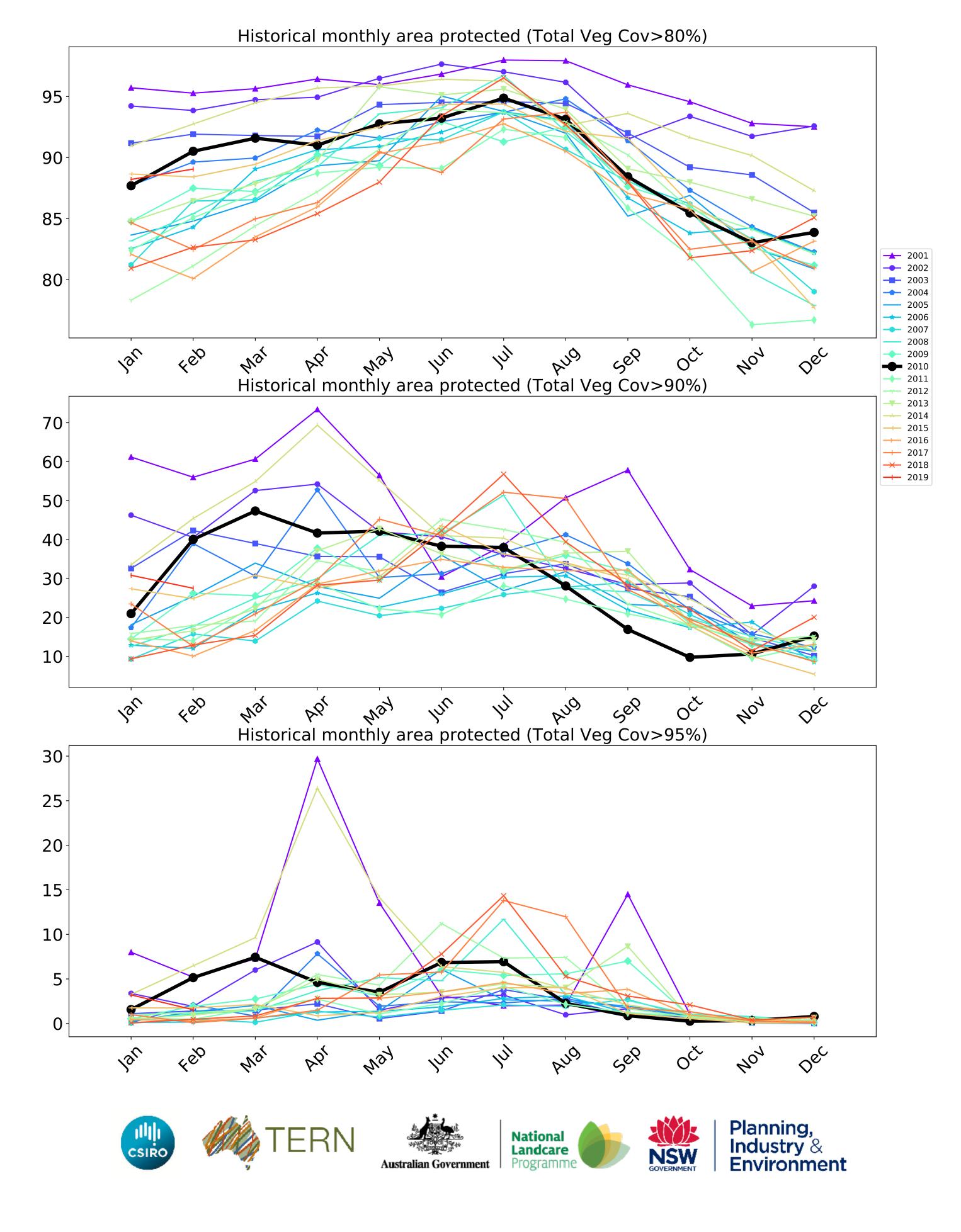
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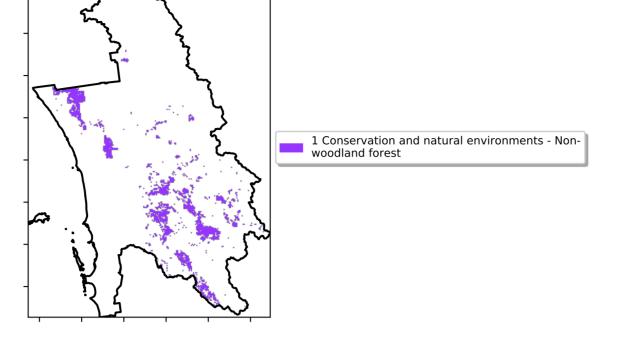




# **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

Land use and forest cover





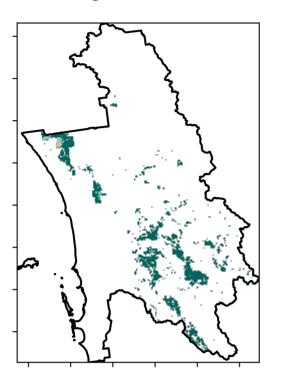
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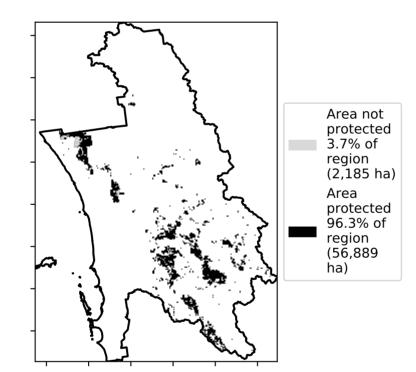
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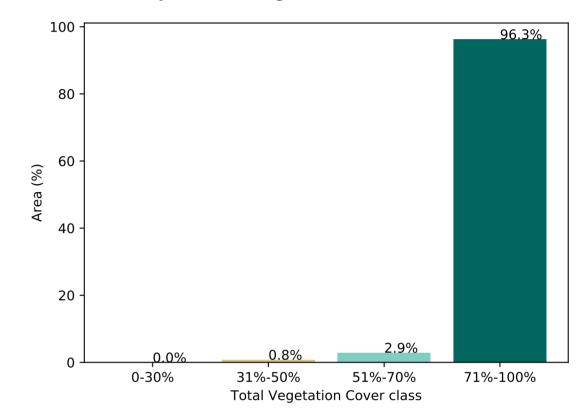
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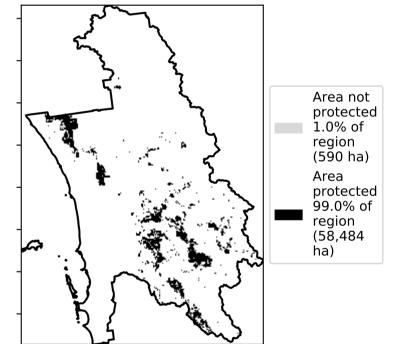
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

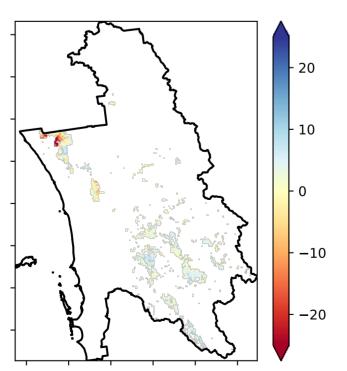


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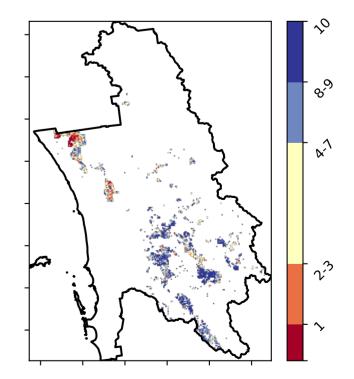
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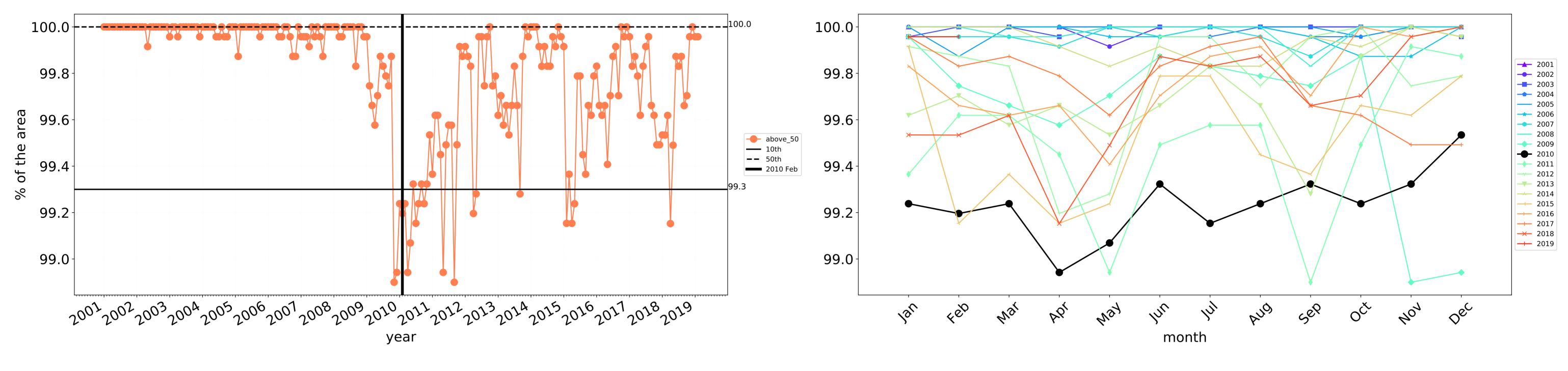
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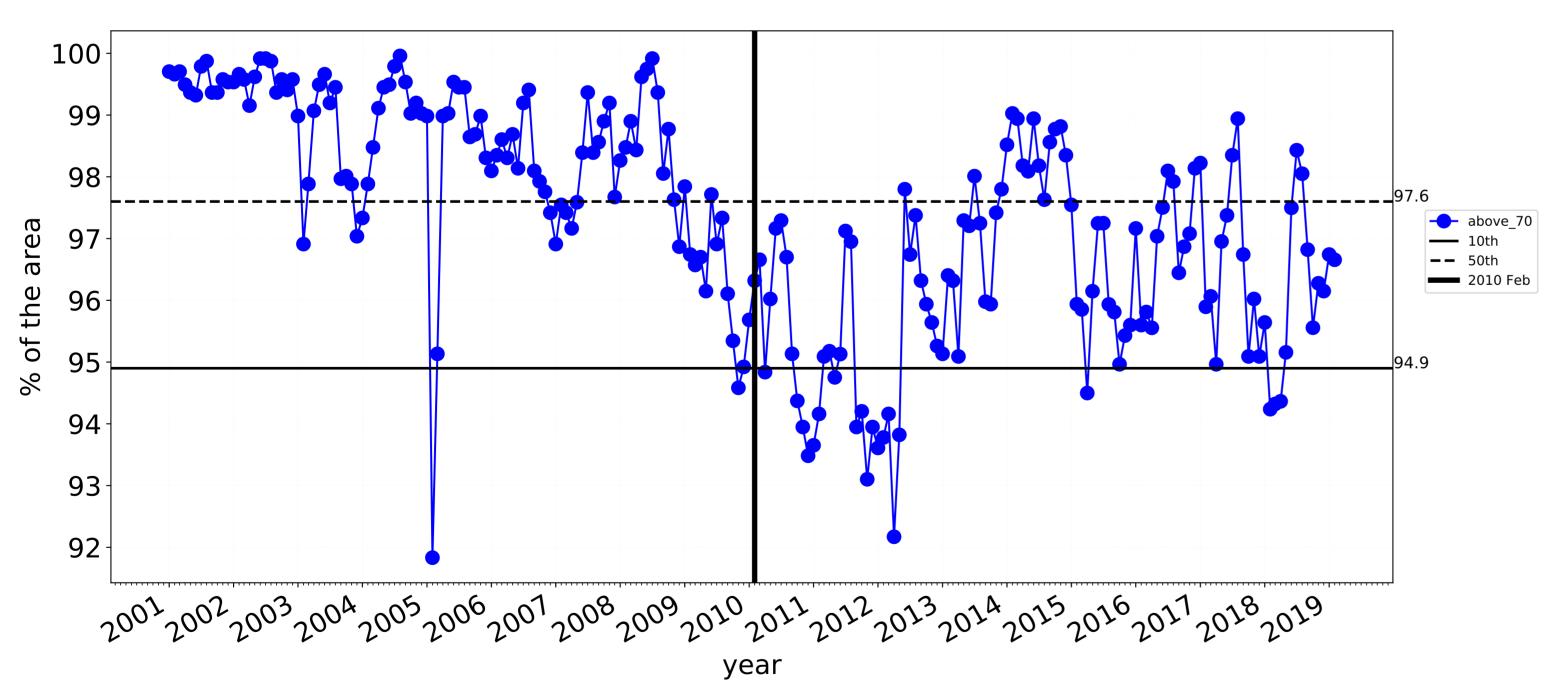


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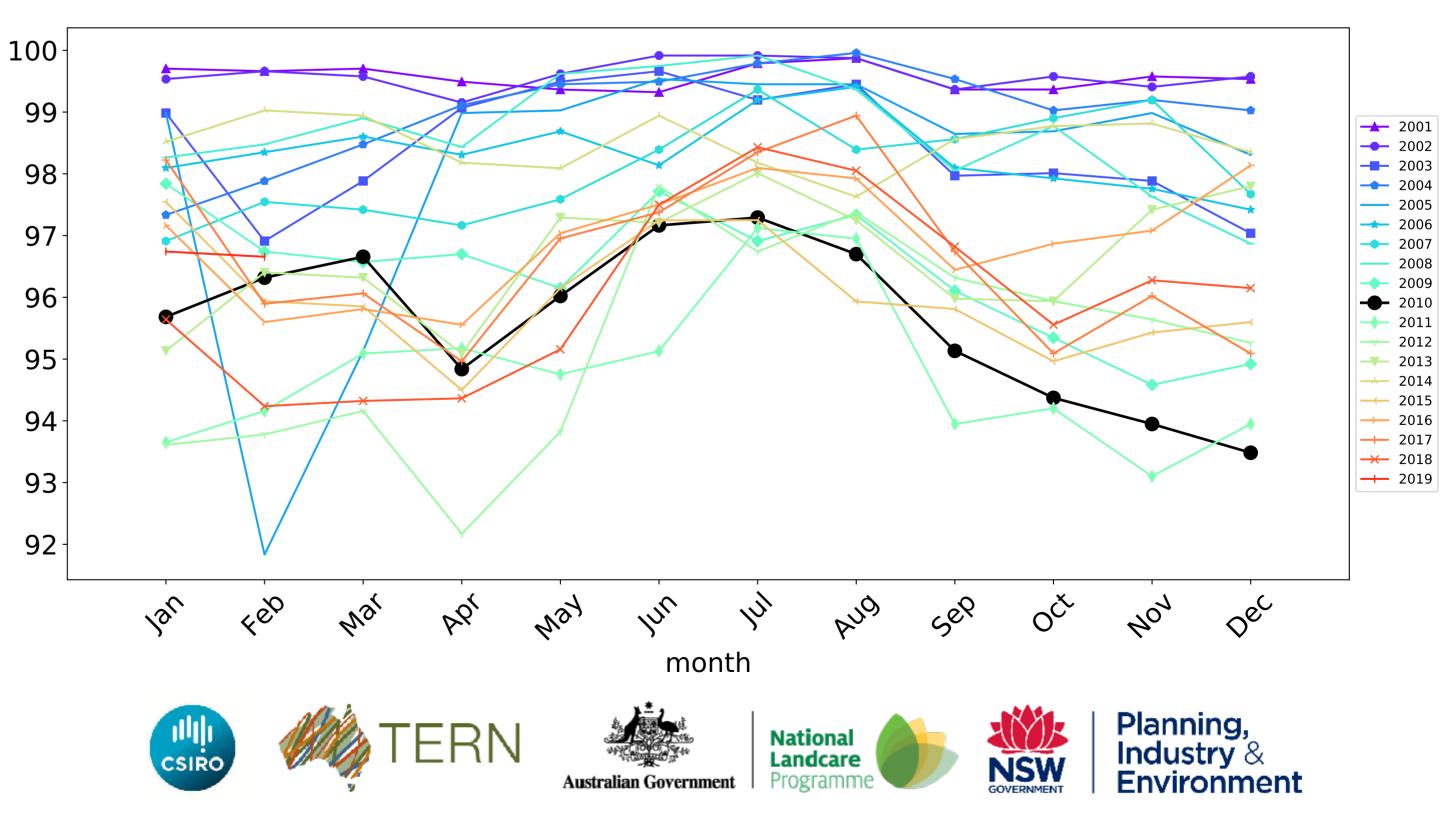
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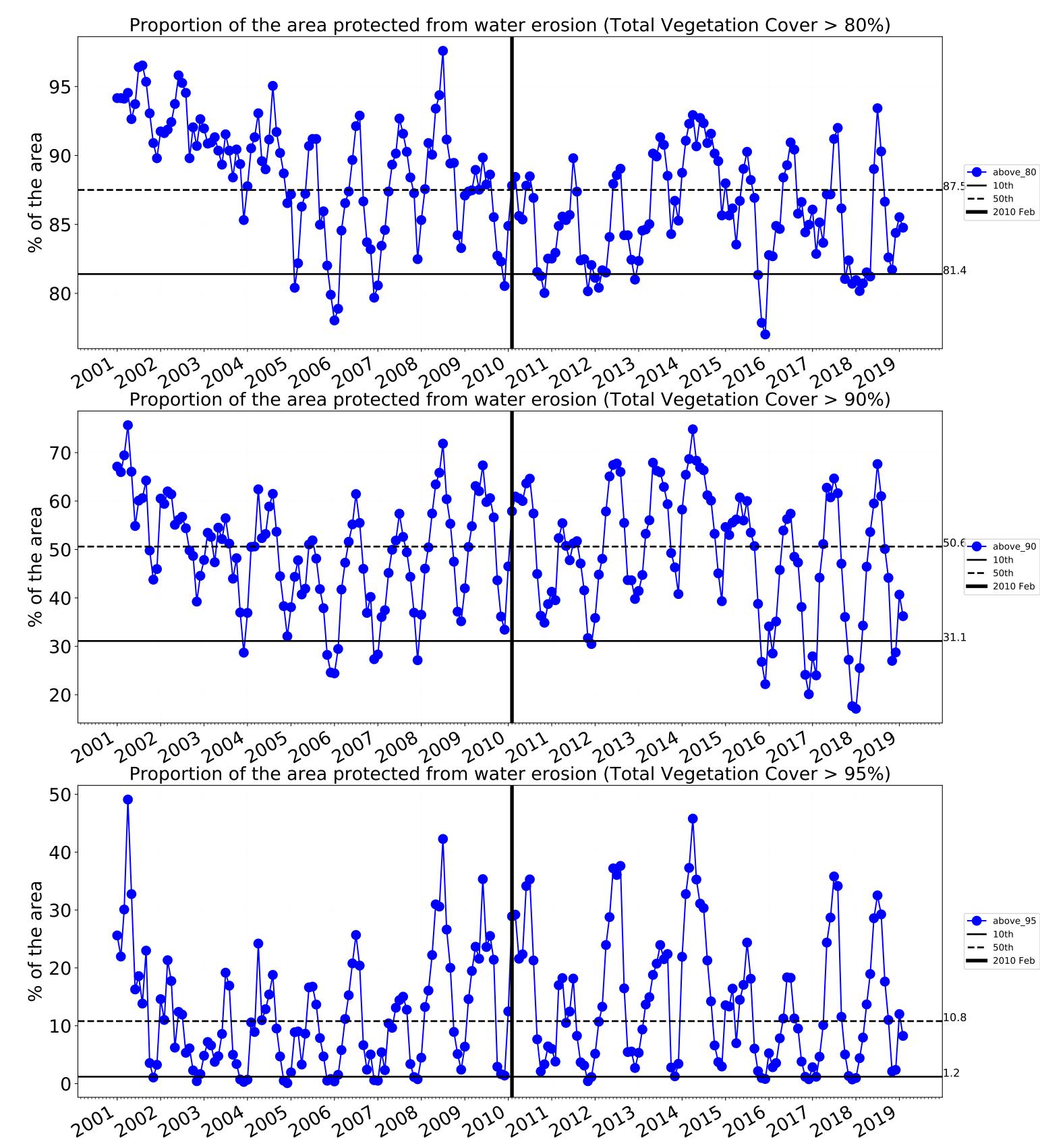
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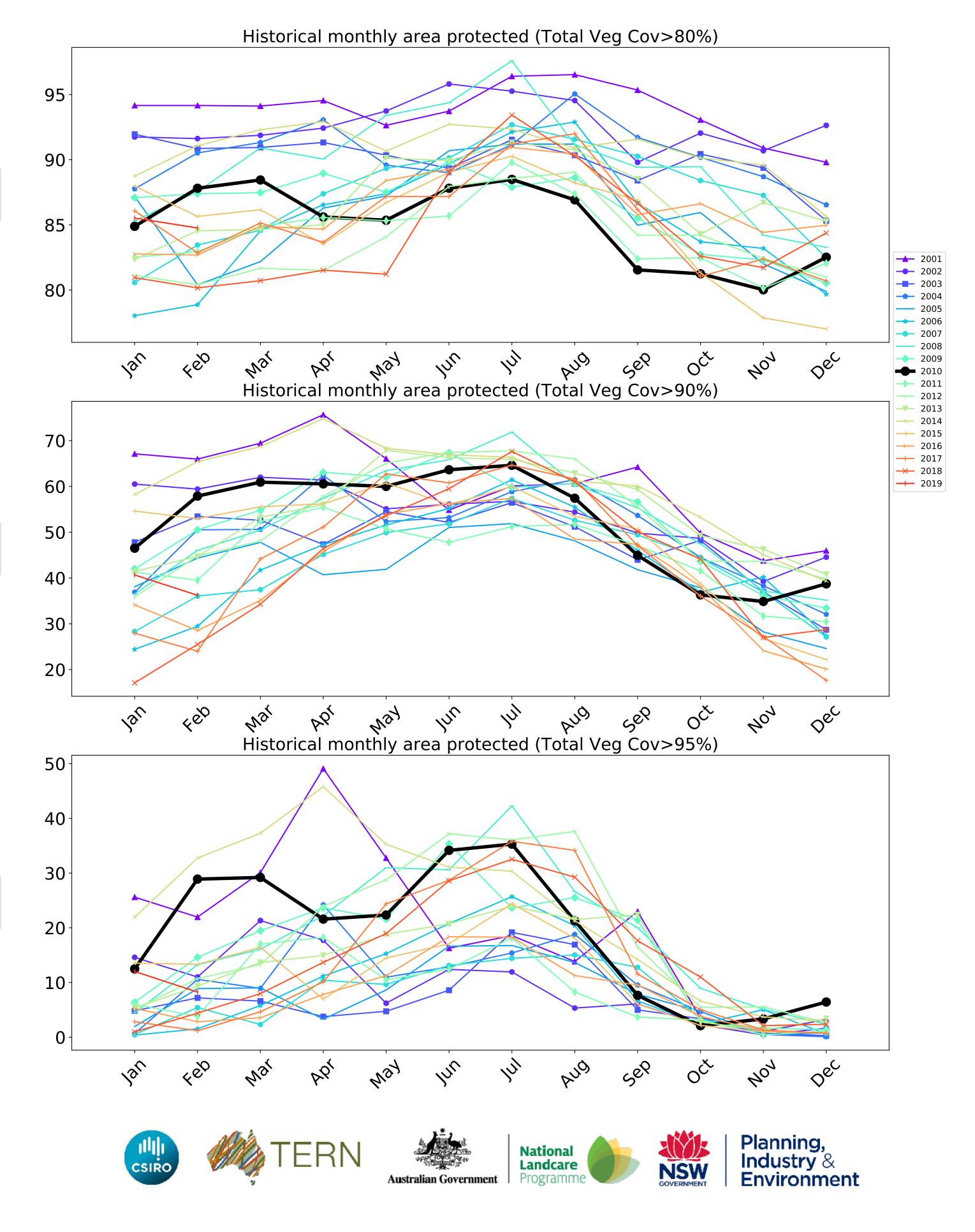


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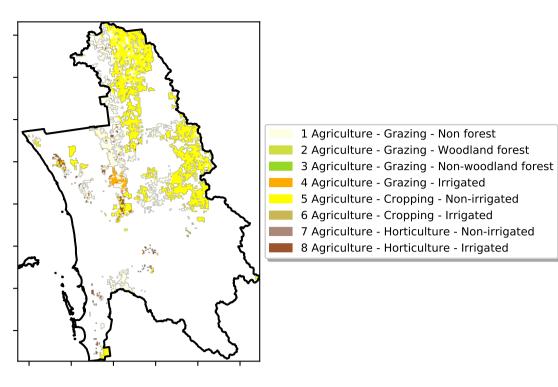


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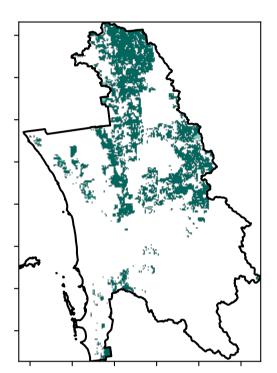
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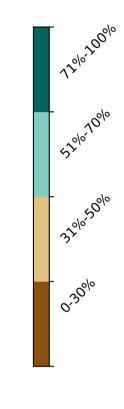




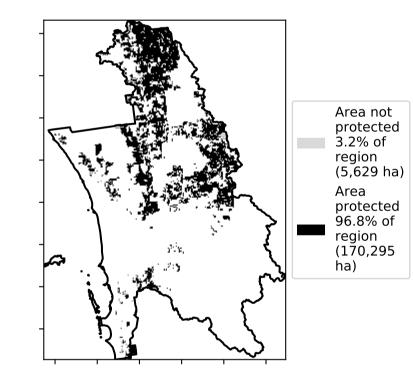


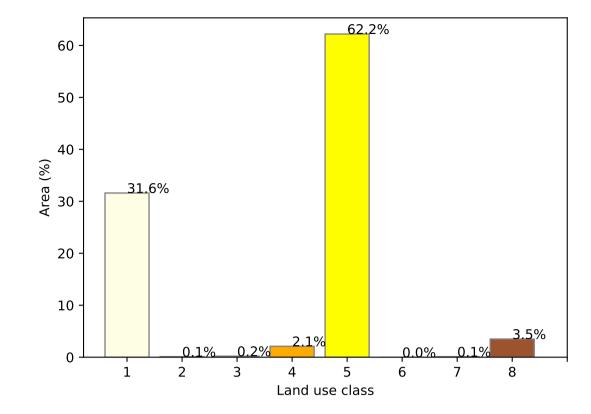
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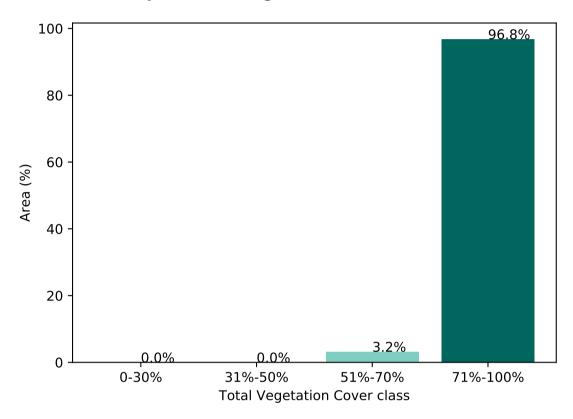


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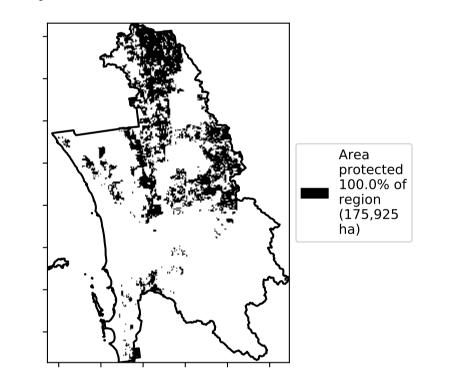




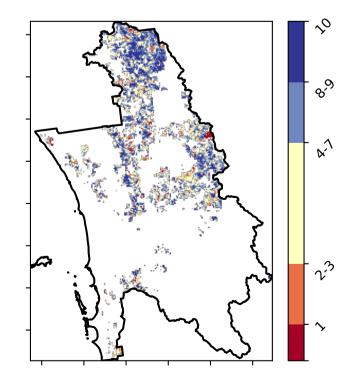
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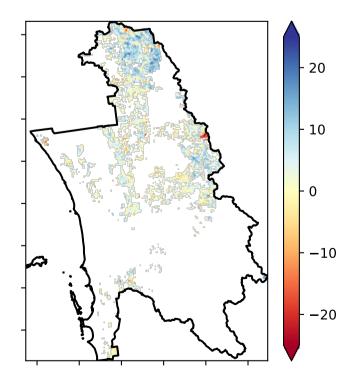
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

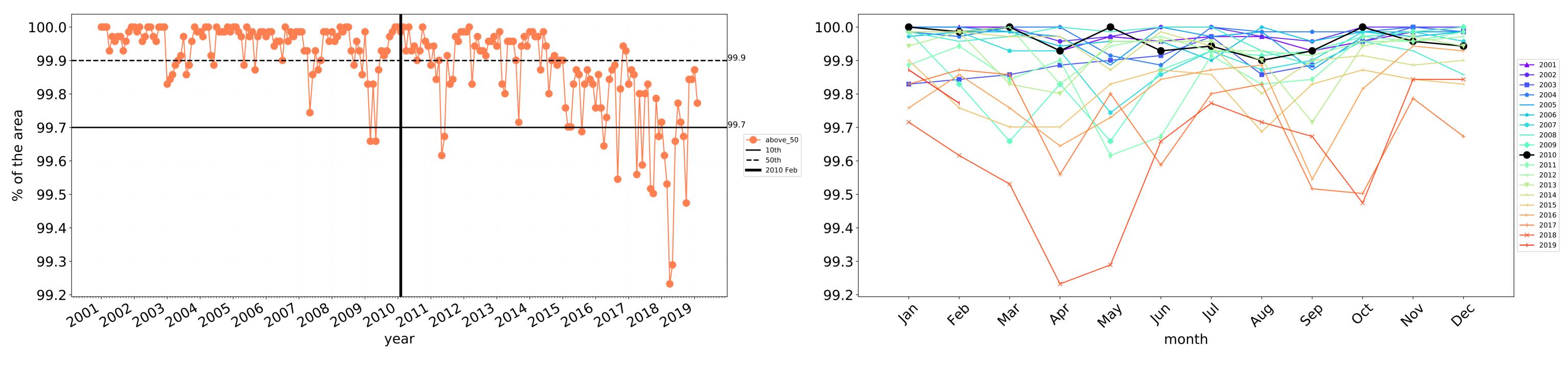


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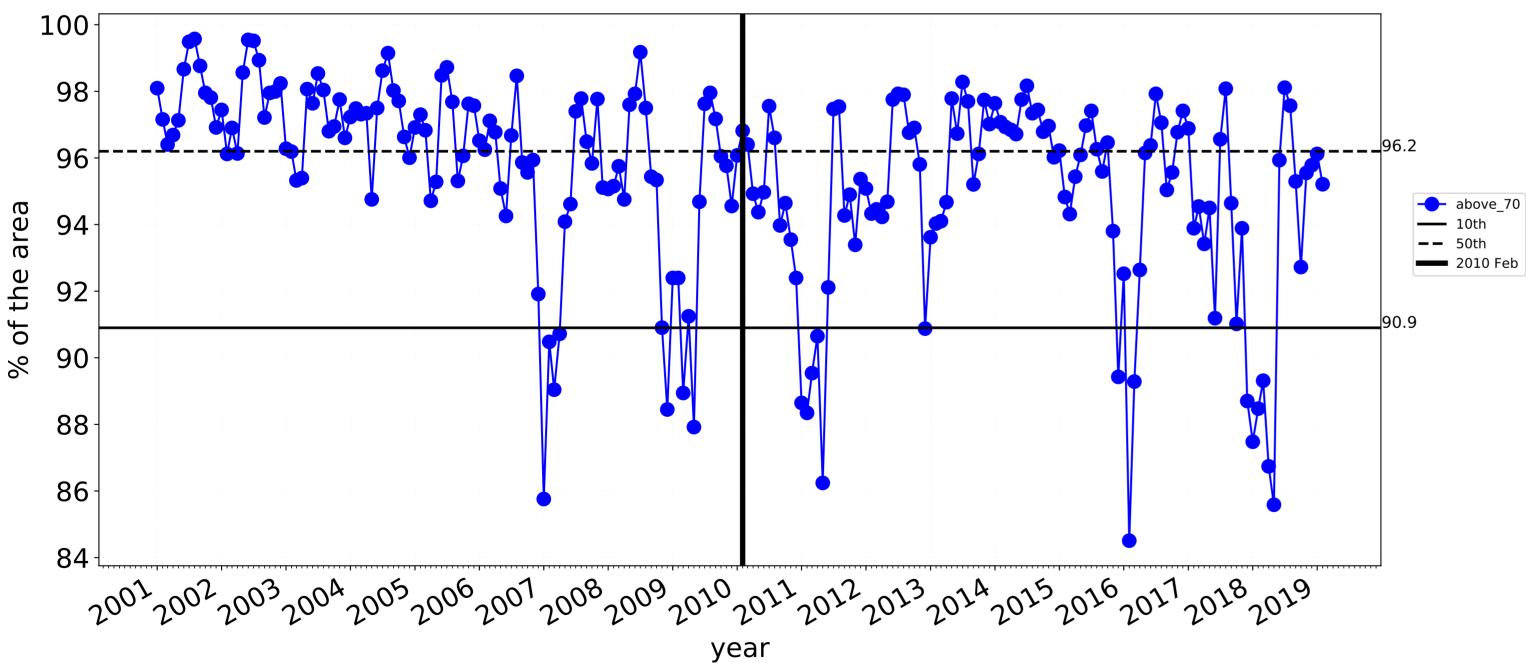
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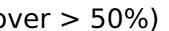


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



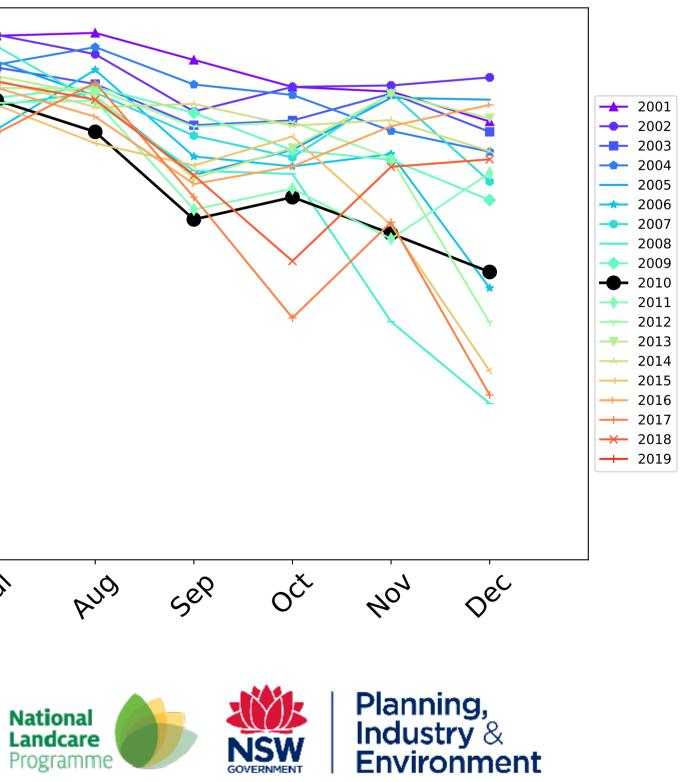
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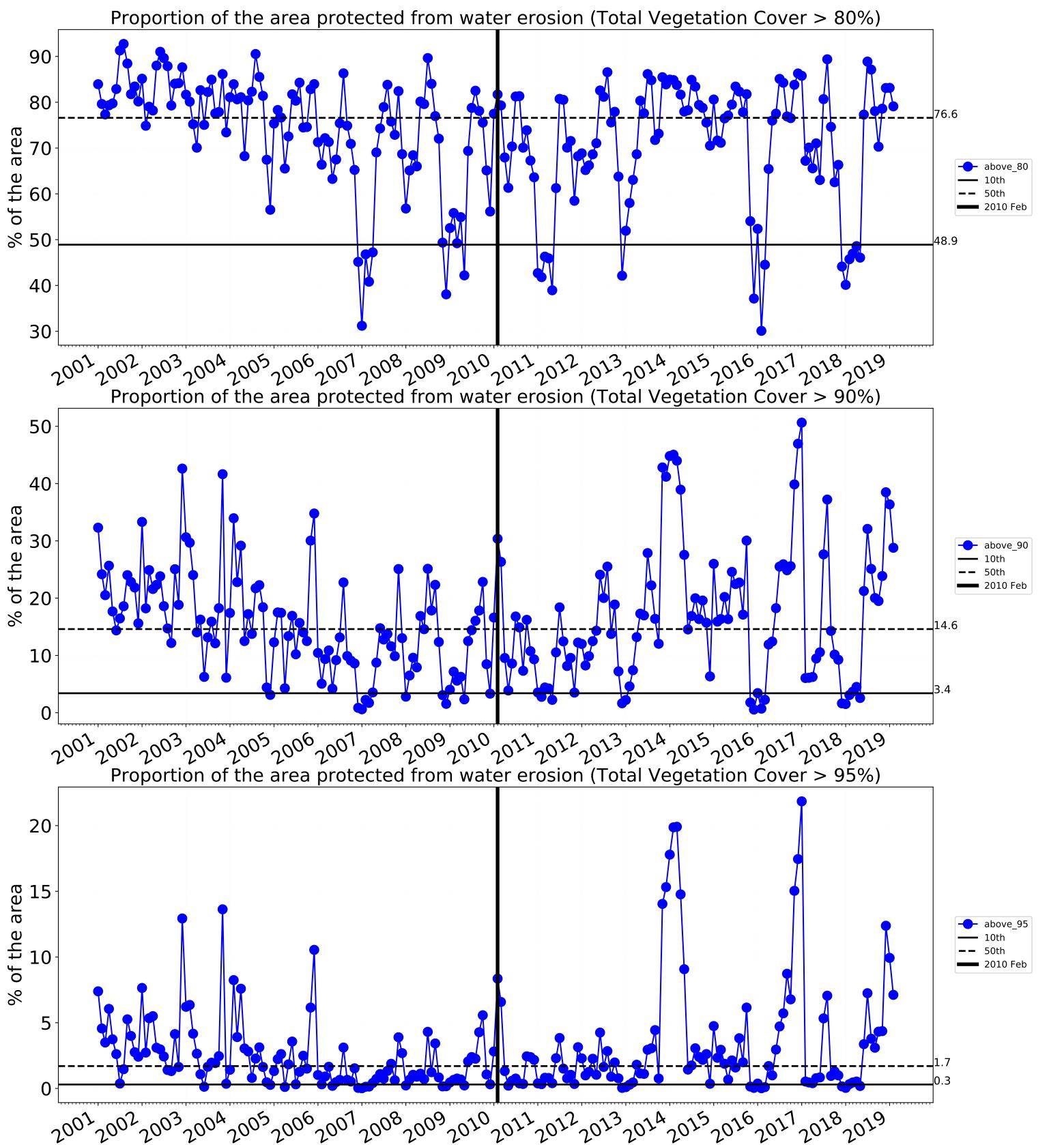


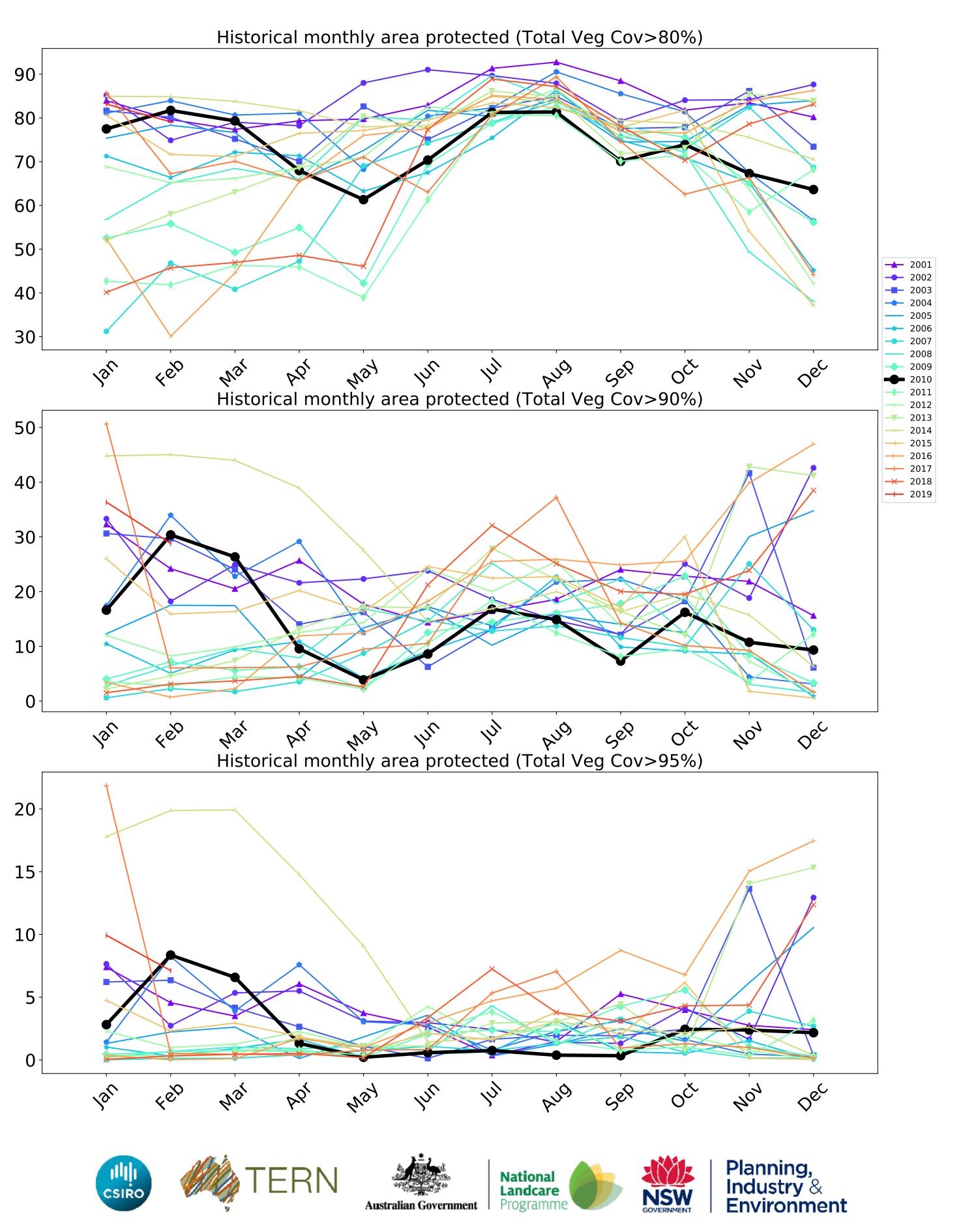
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

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



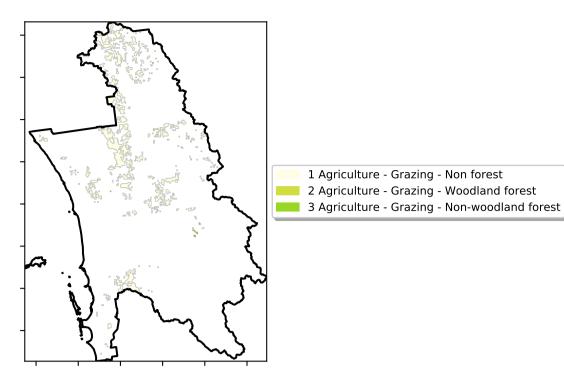




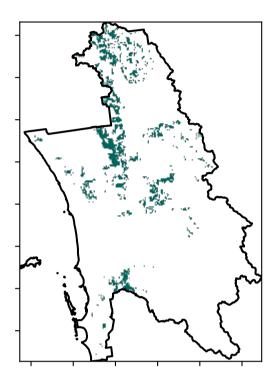
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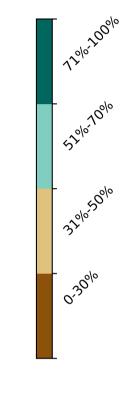
Land use and forest cover

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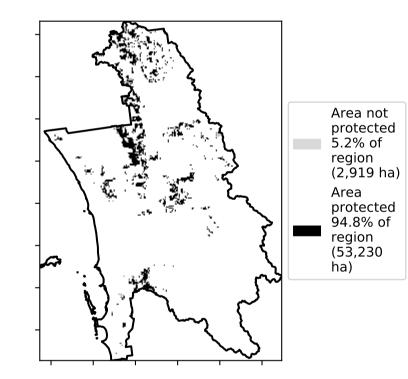


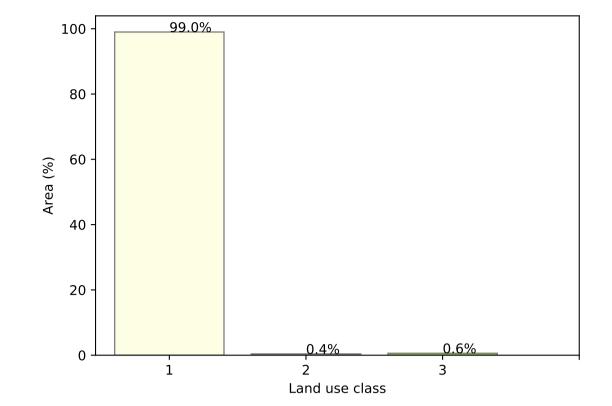
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



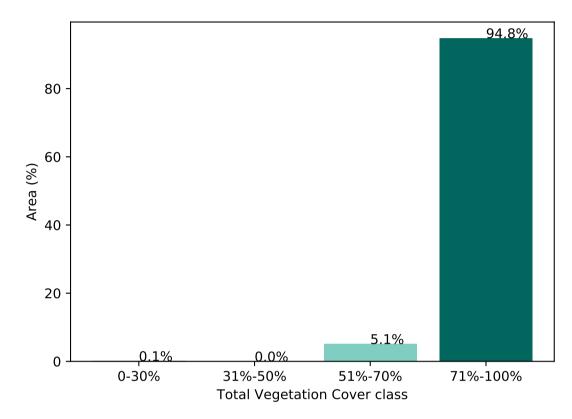


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

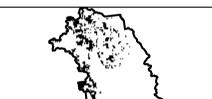




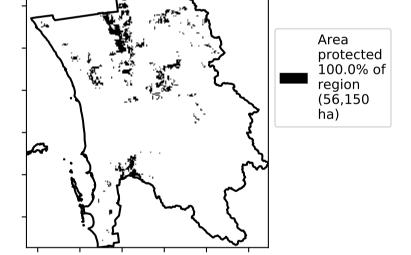
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



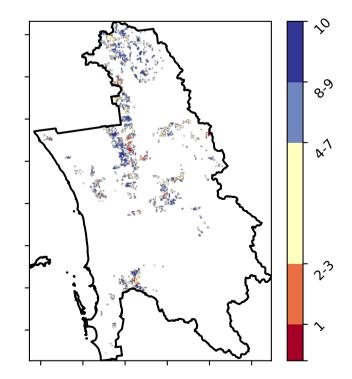
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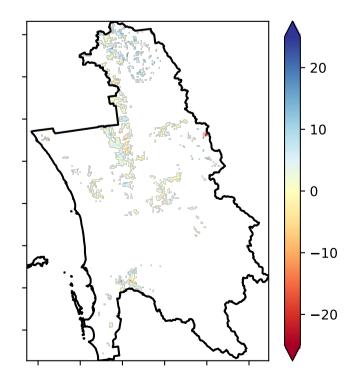
#### Proportion of each land class in area



**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

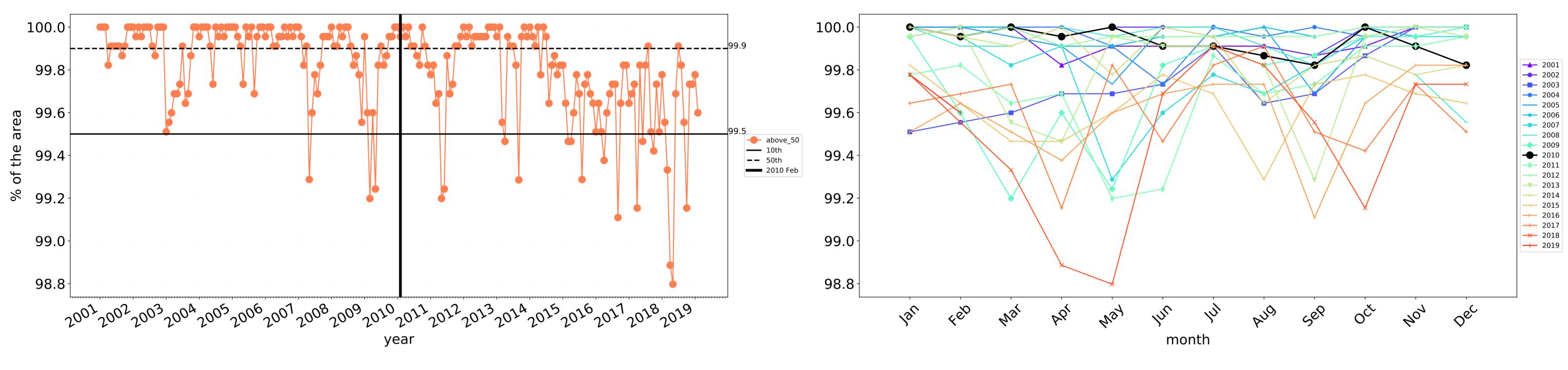


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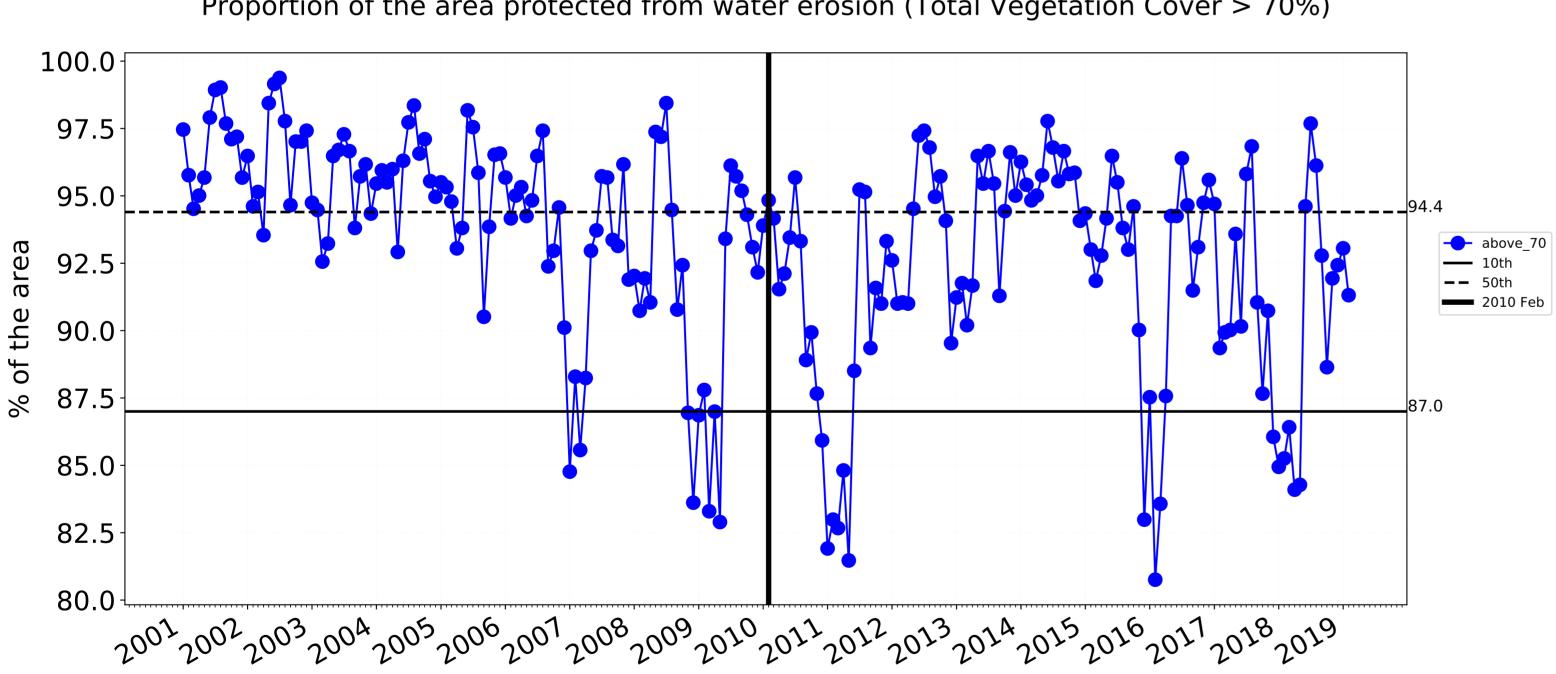


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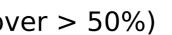


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

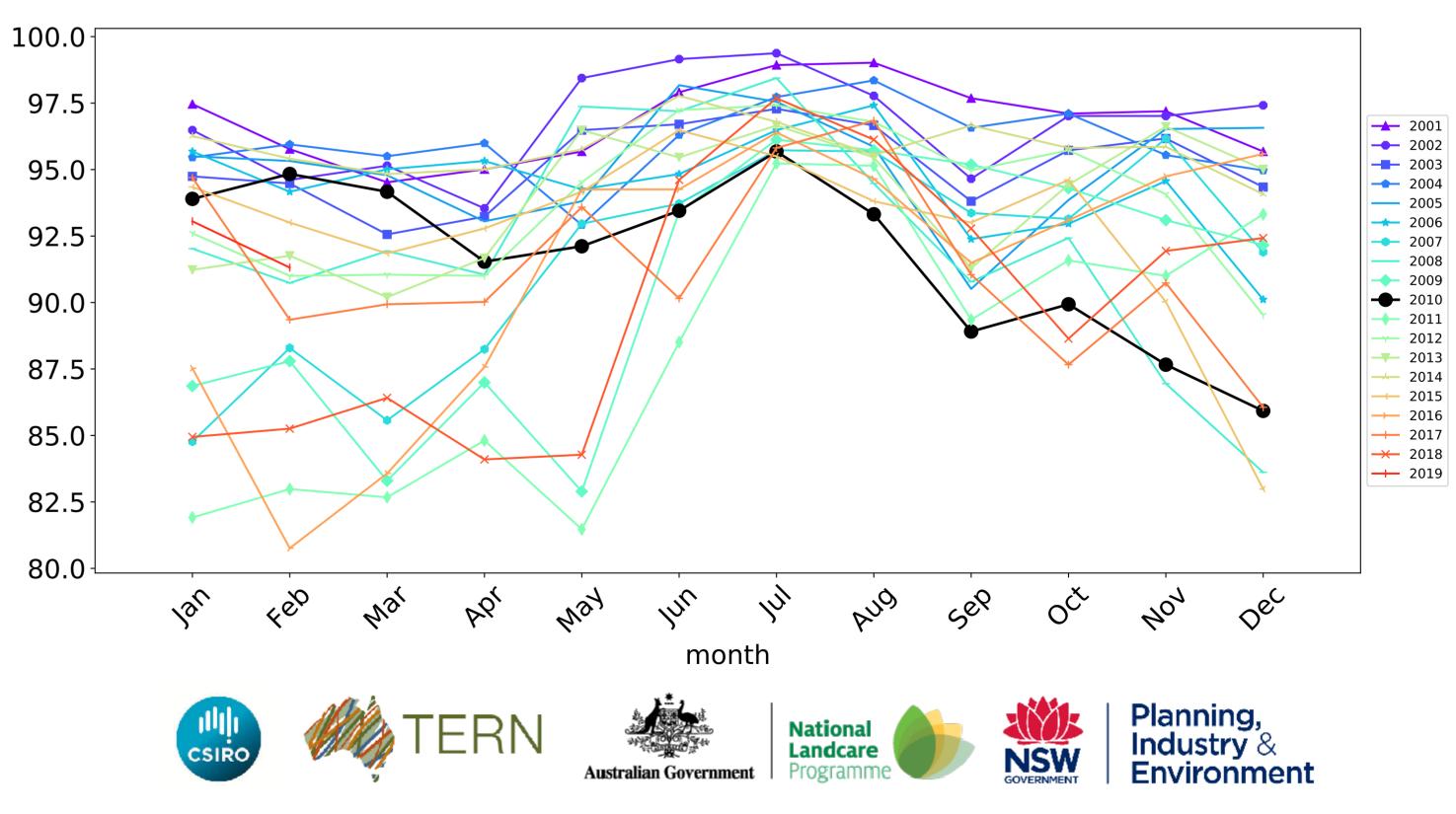


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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

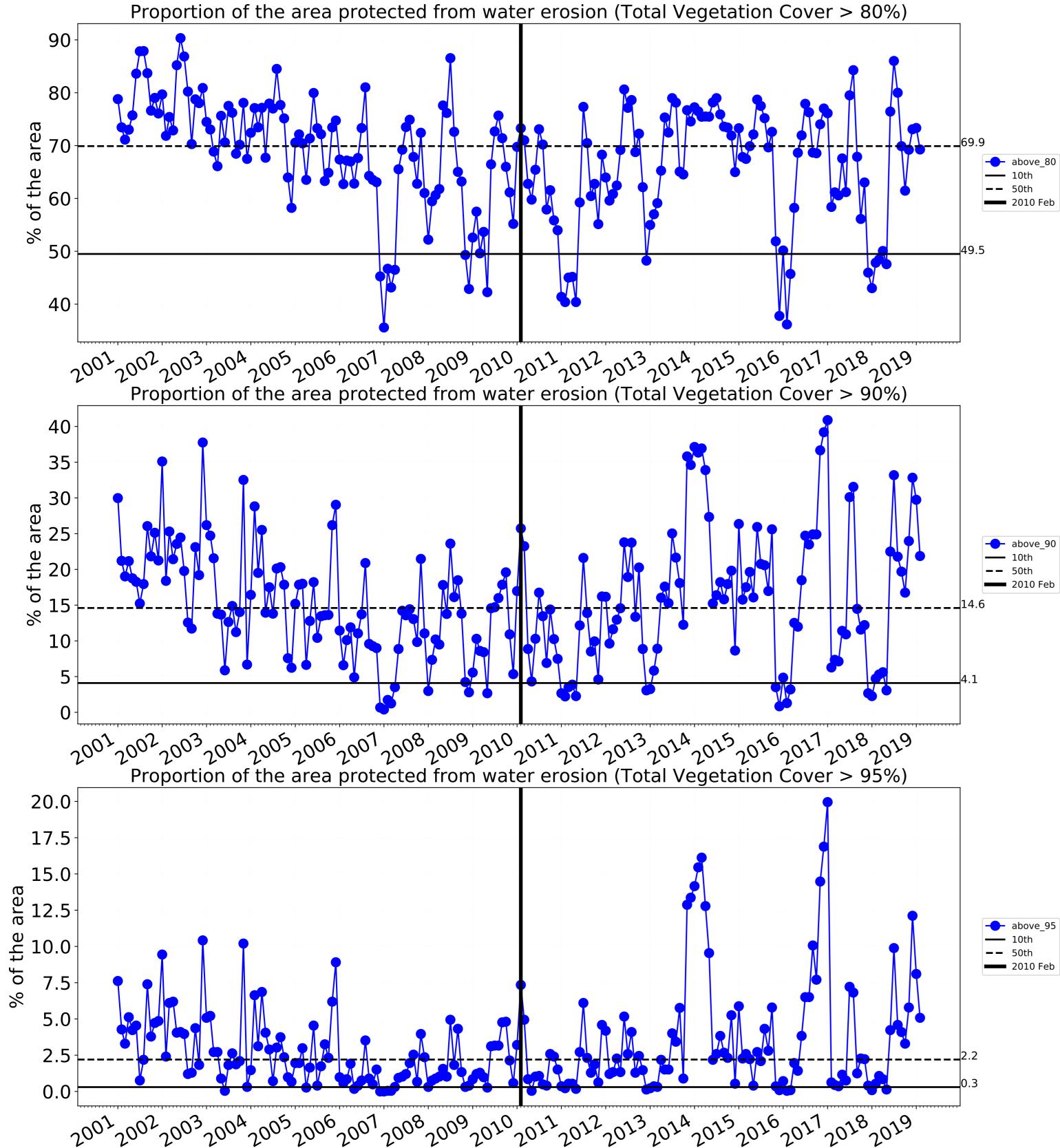


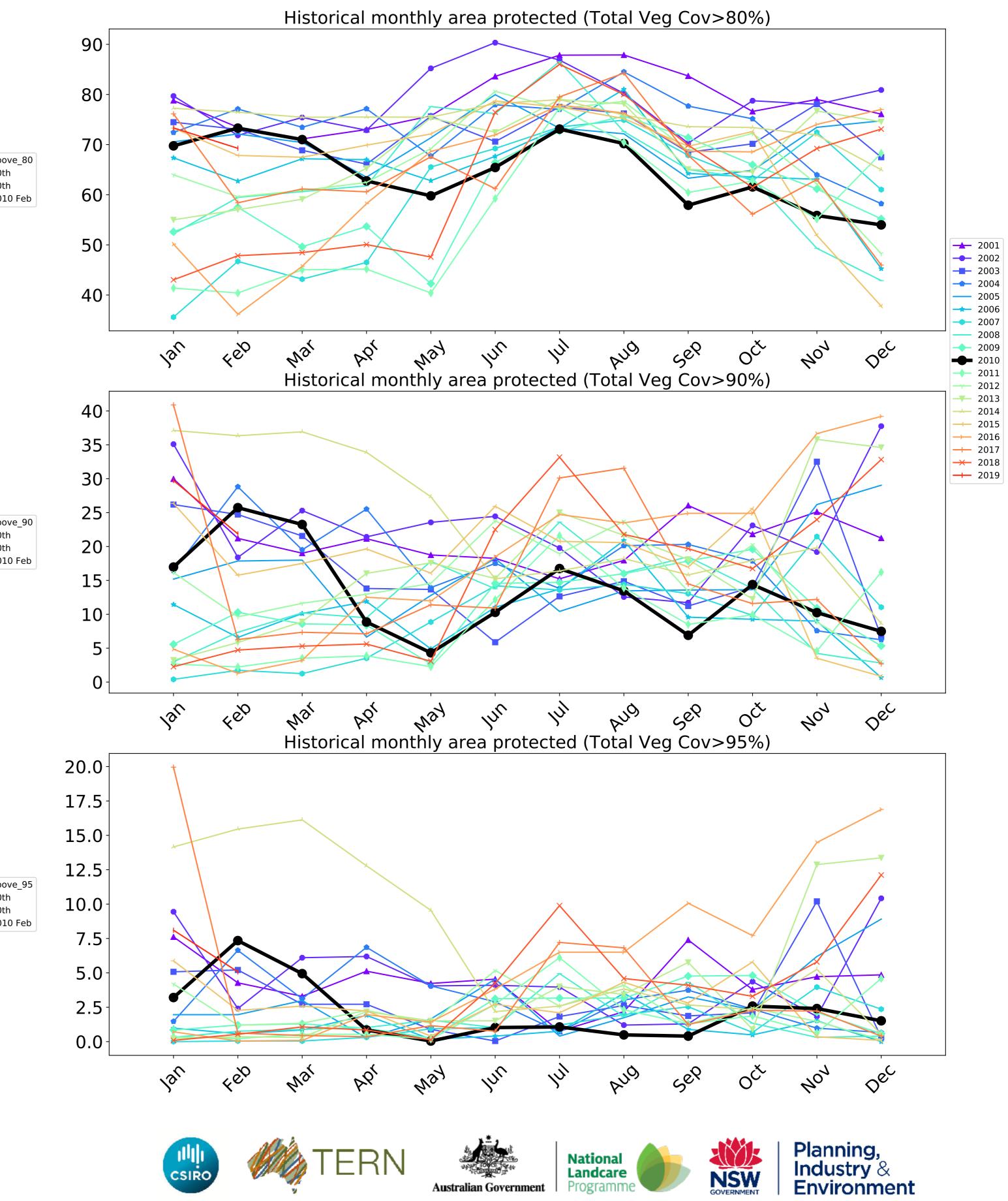
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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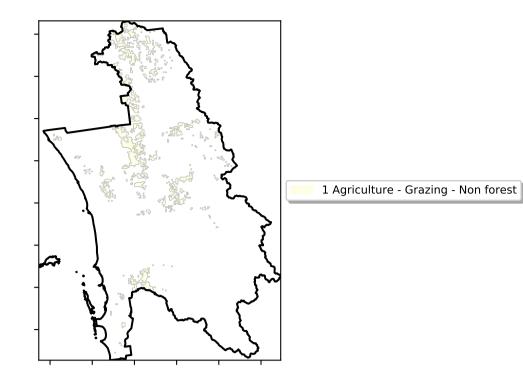


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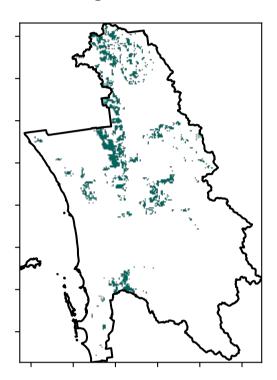
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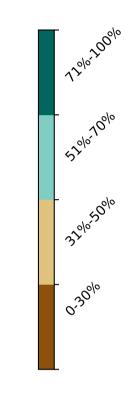
# **Grazing non forest**

### Land use and forest cover

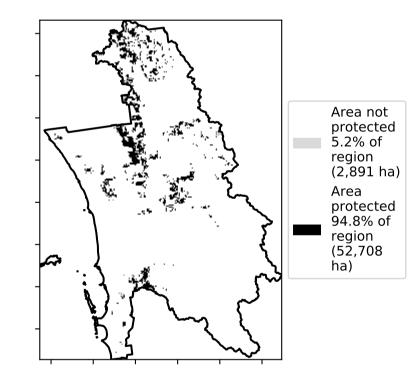


**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

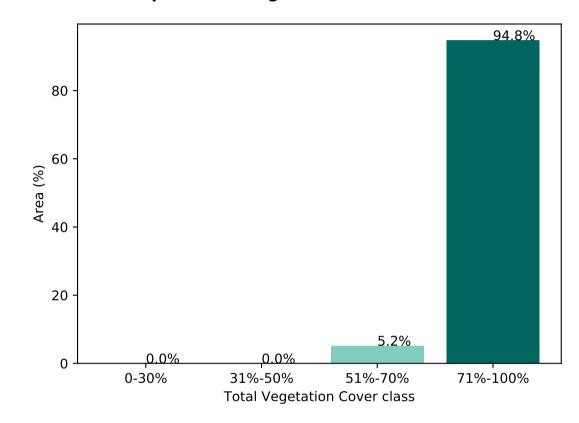




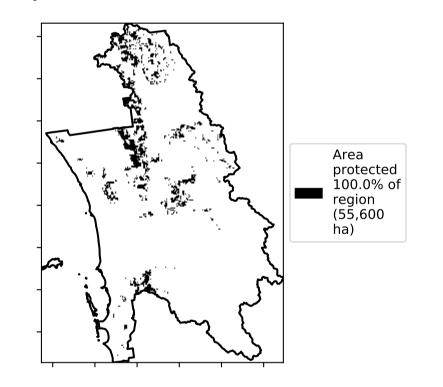
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

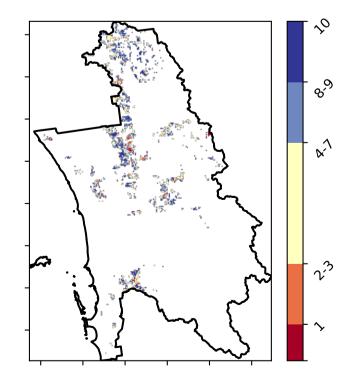


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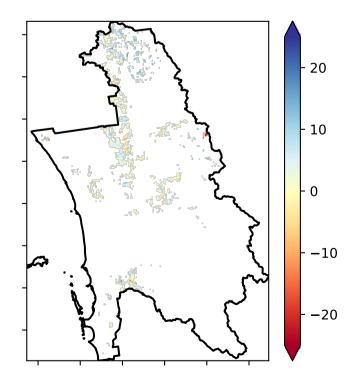
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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



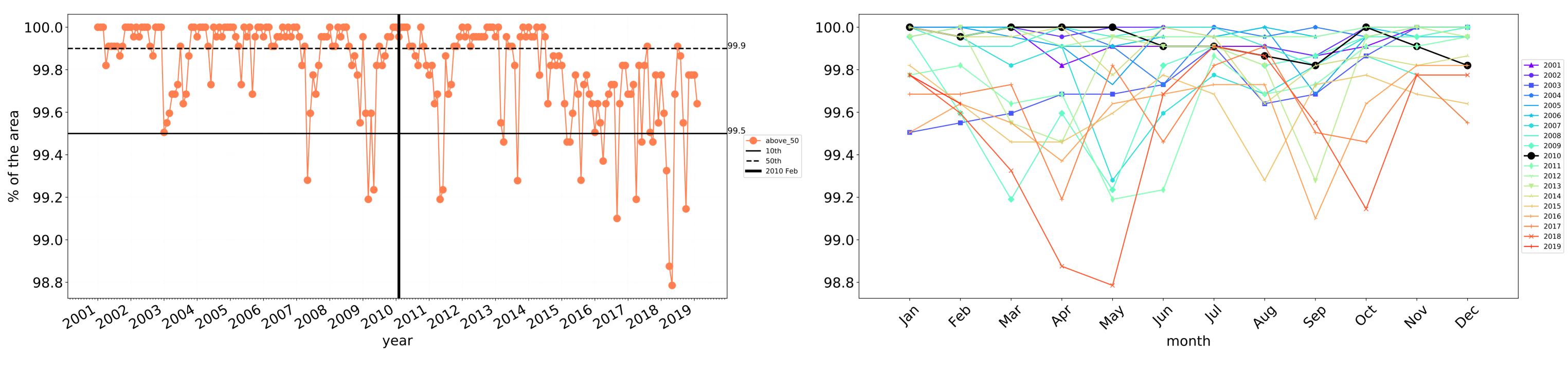
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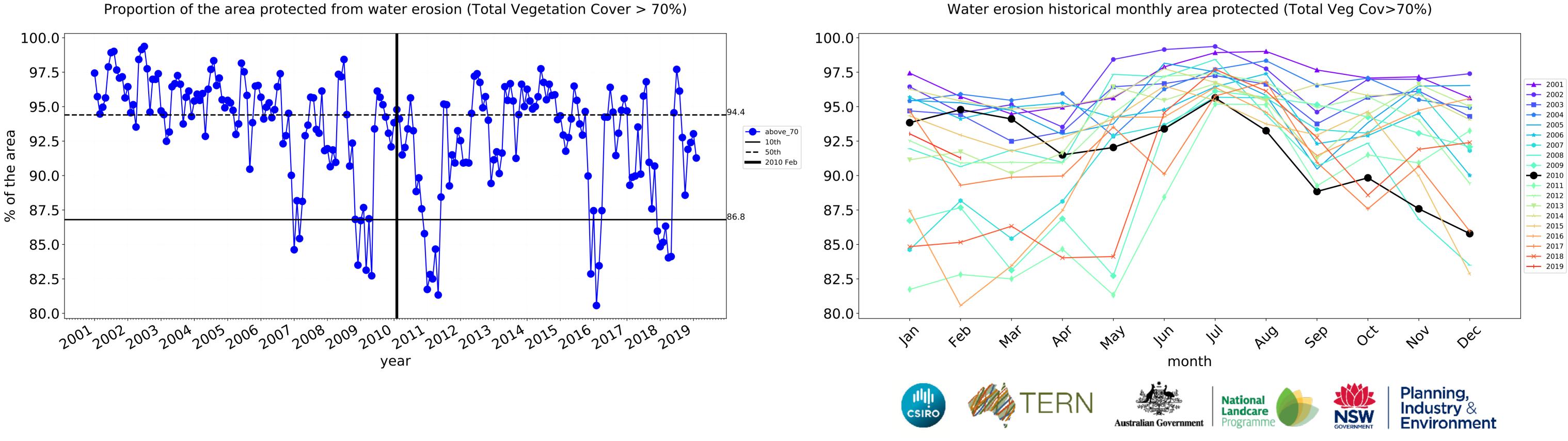


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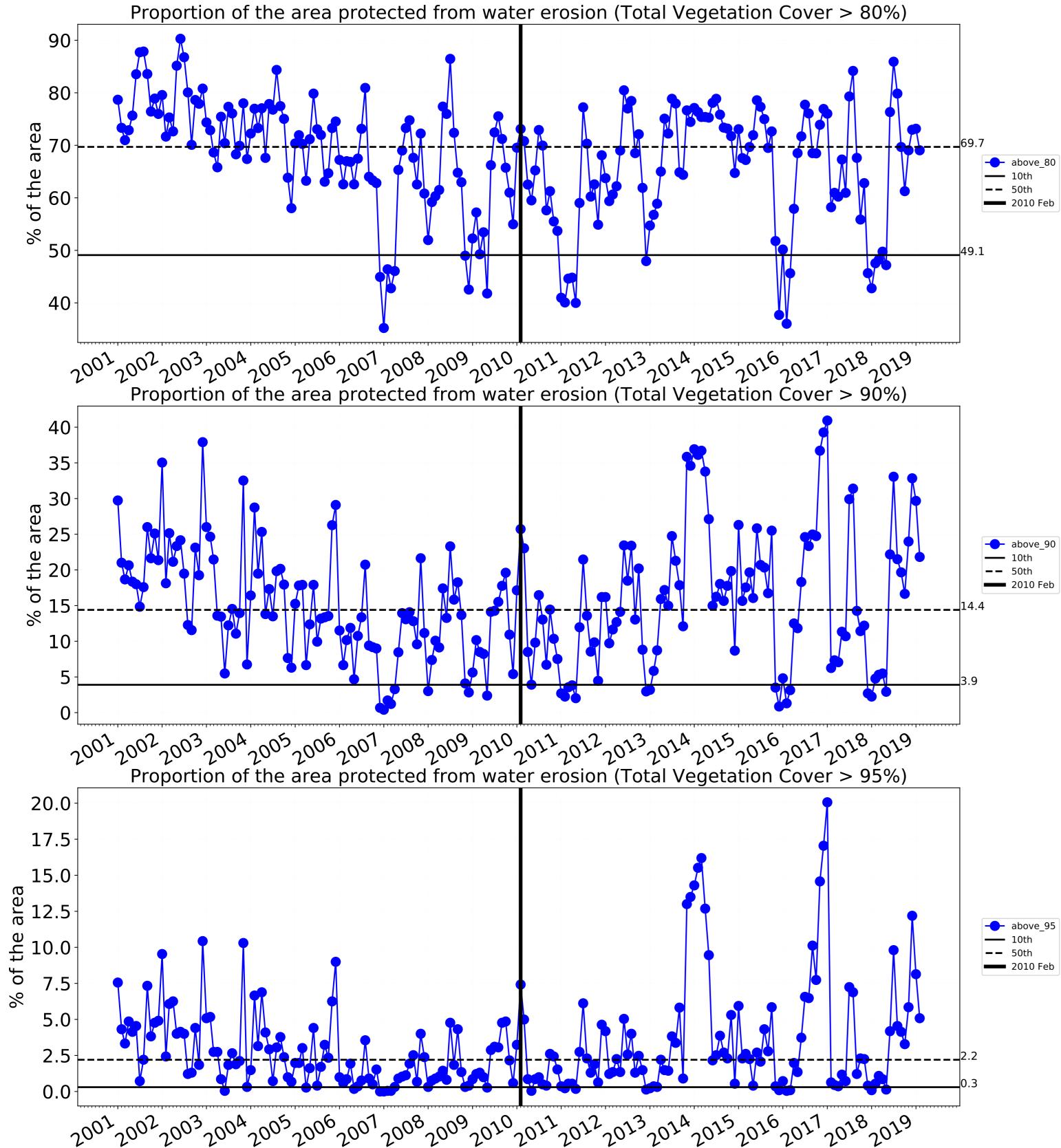


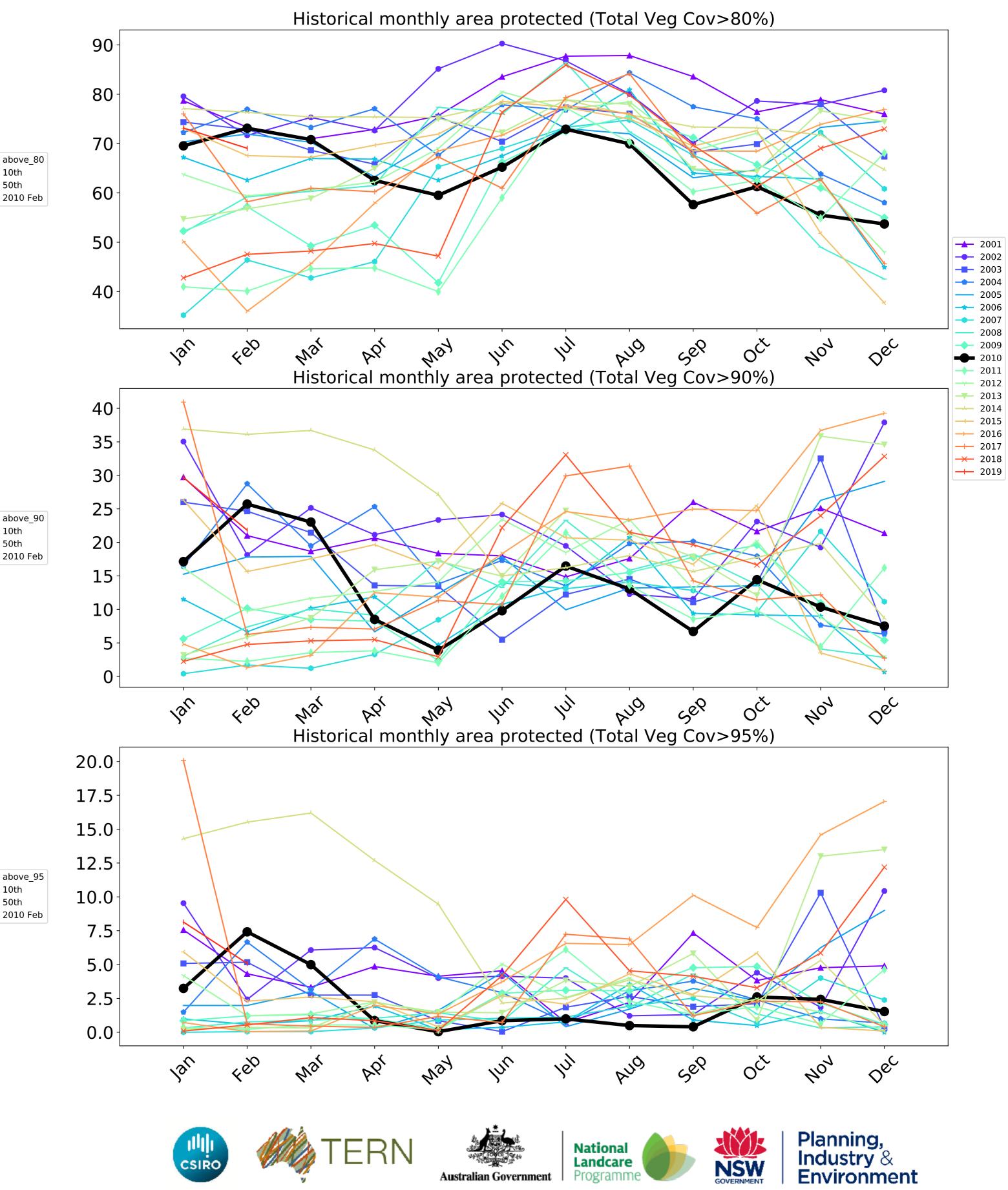


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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



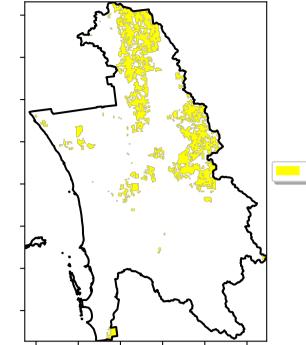


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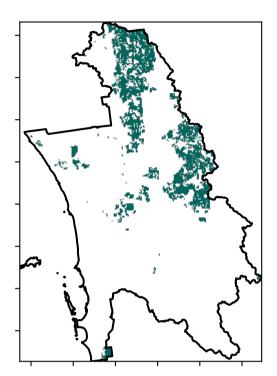
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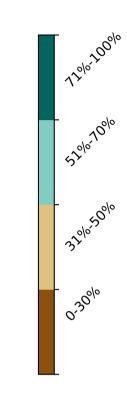
### Land use and forest cover



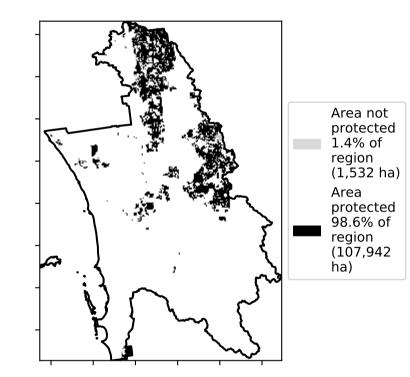
1 Agriculture - Cropping - Non-irrigated

**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

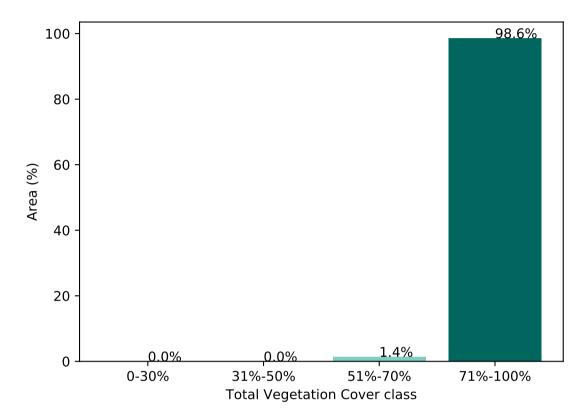




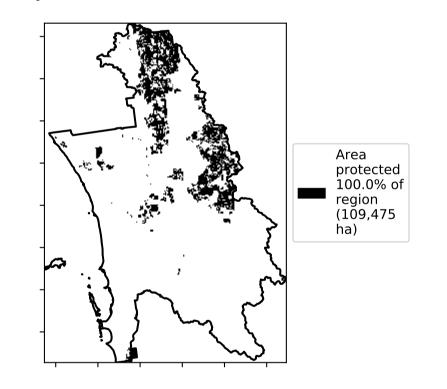
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

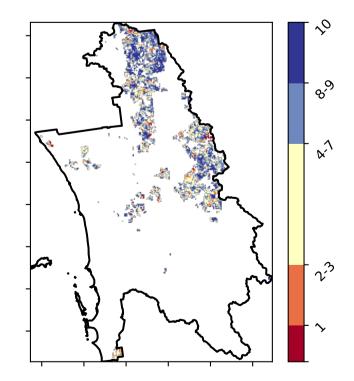


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

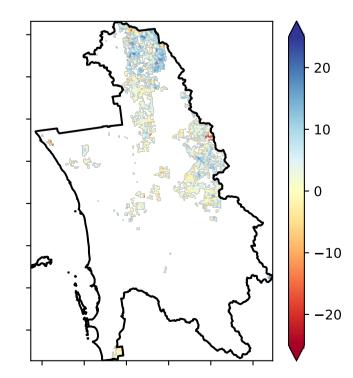


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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

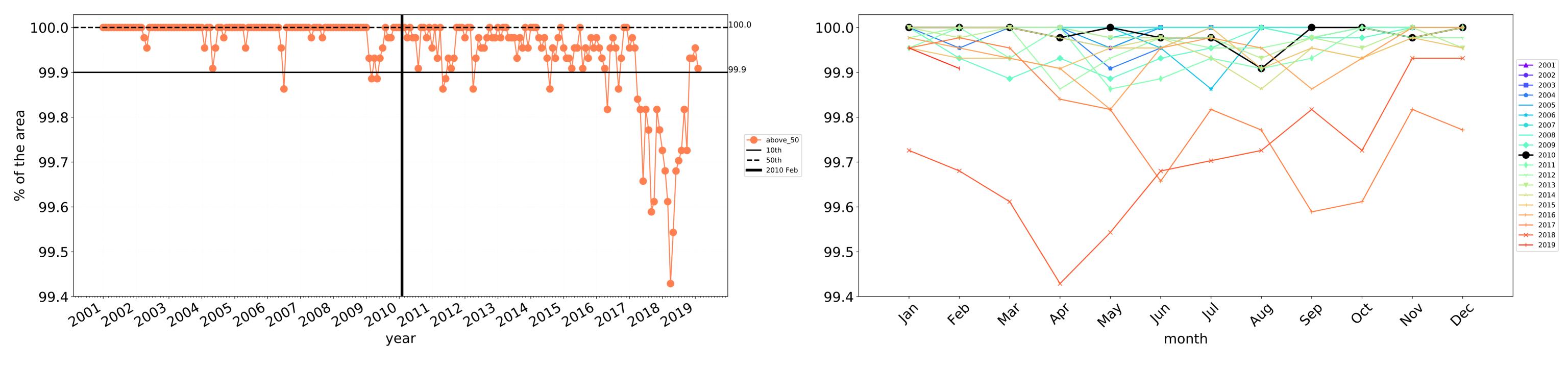


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



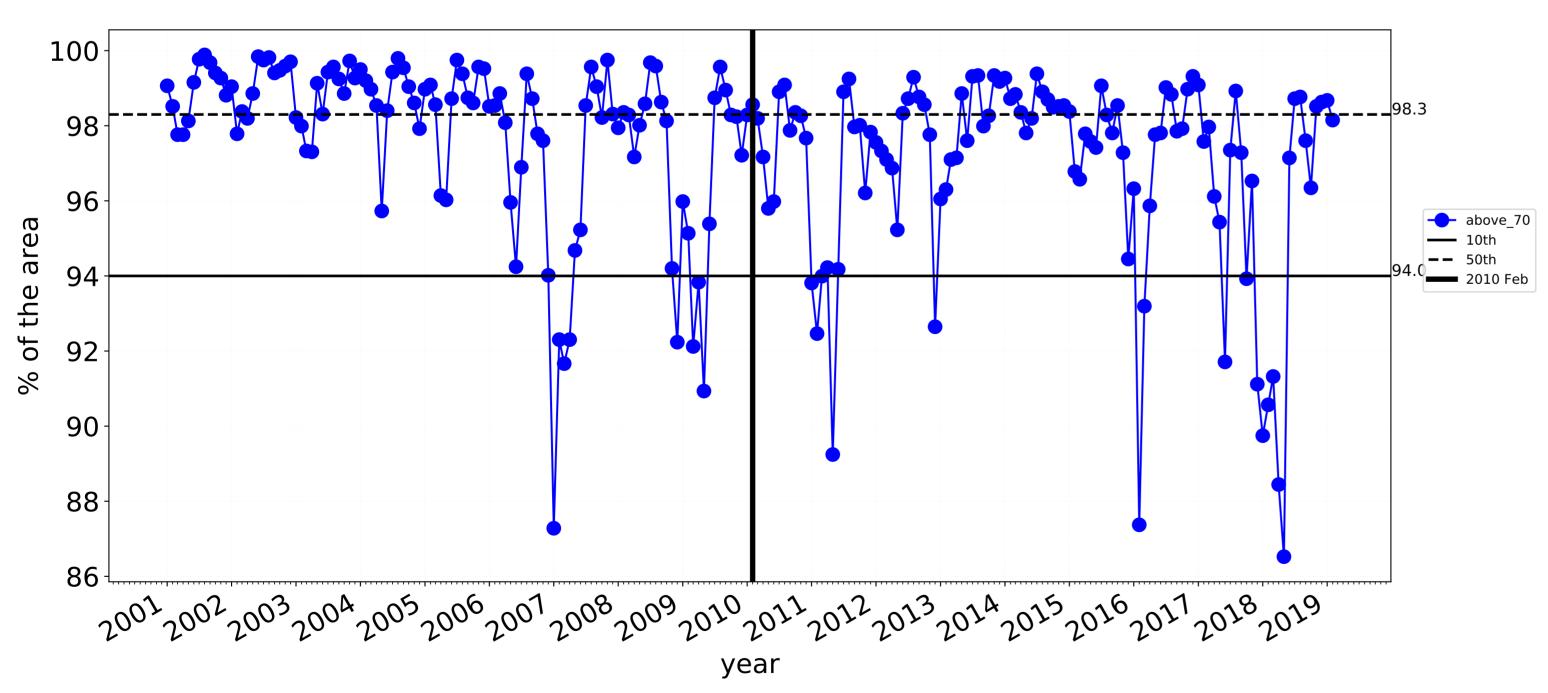
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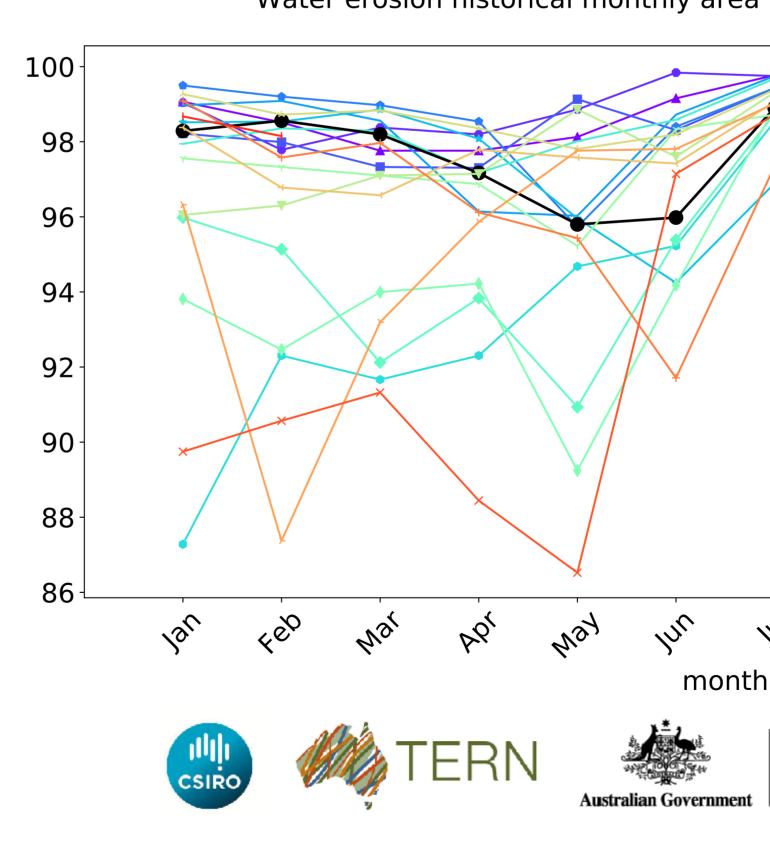


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

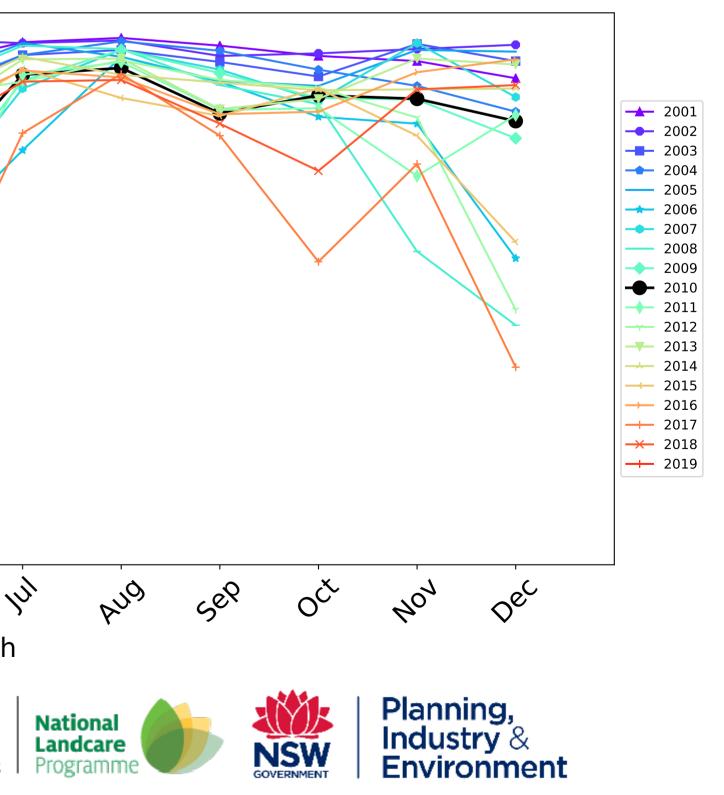
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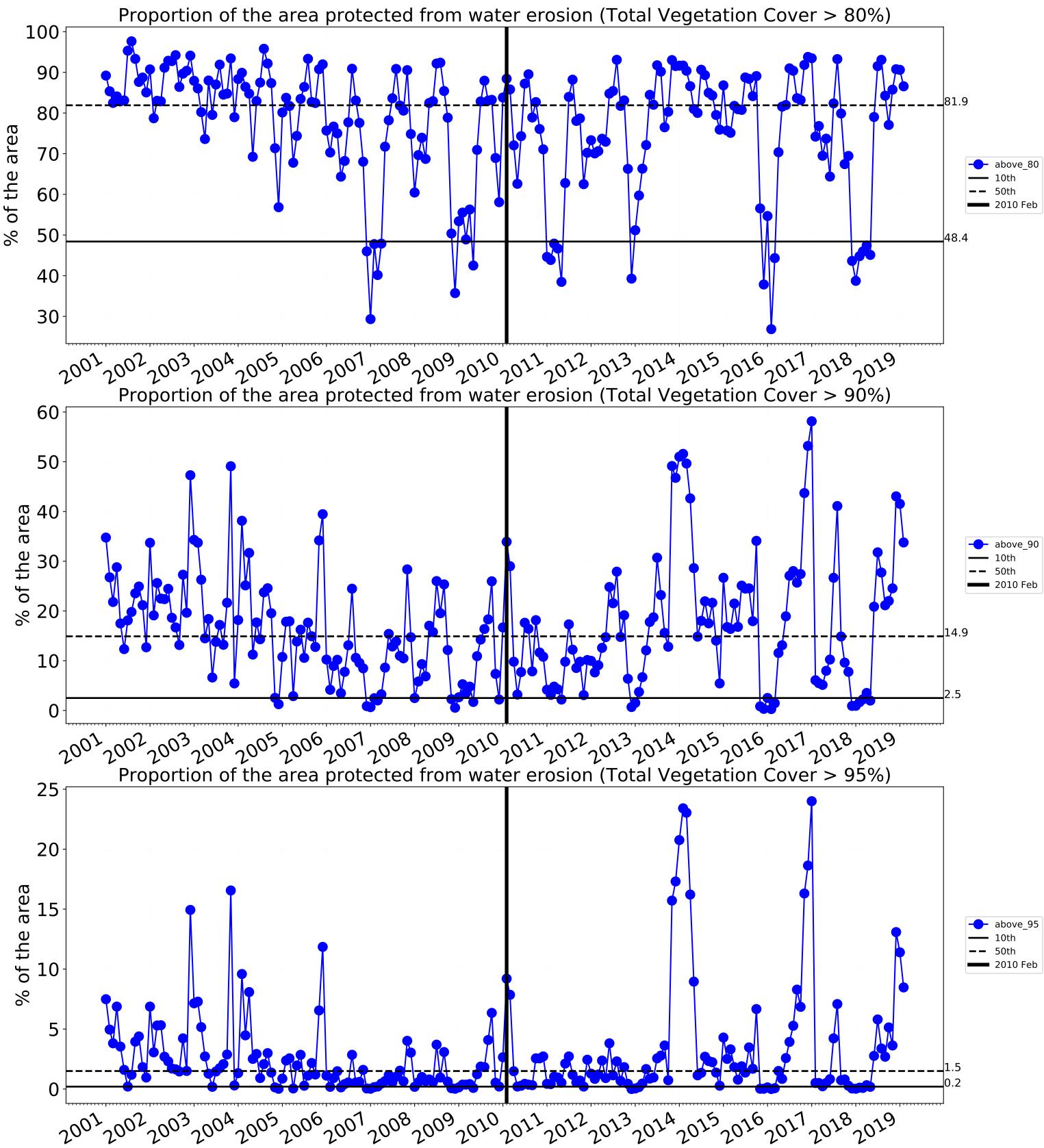


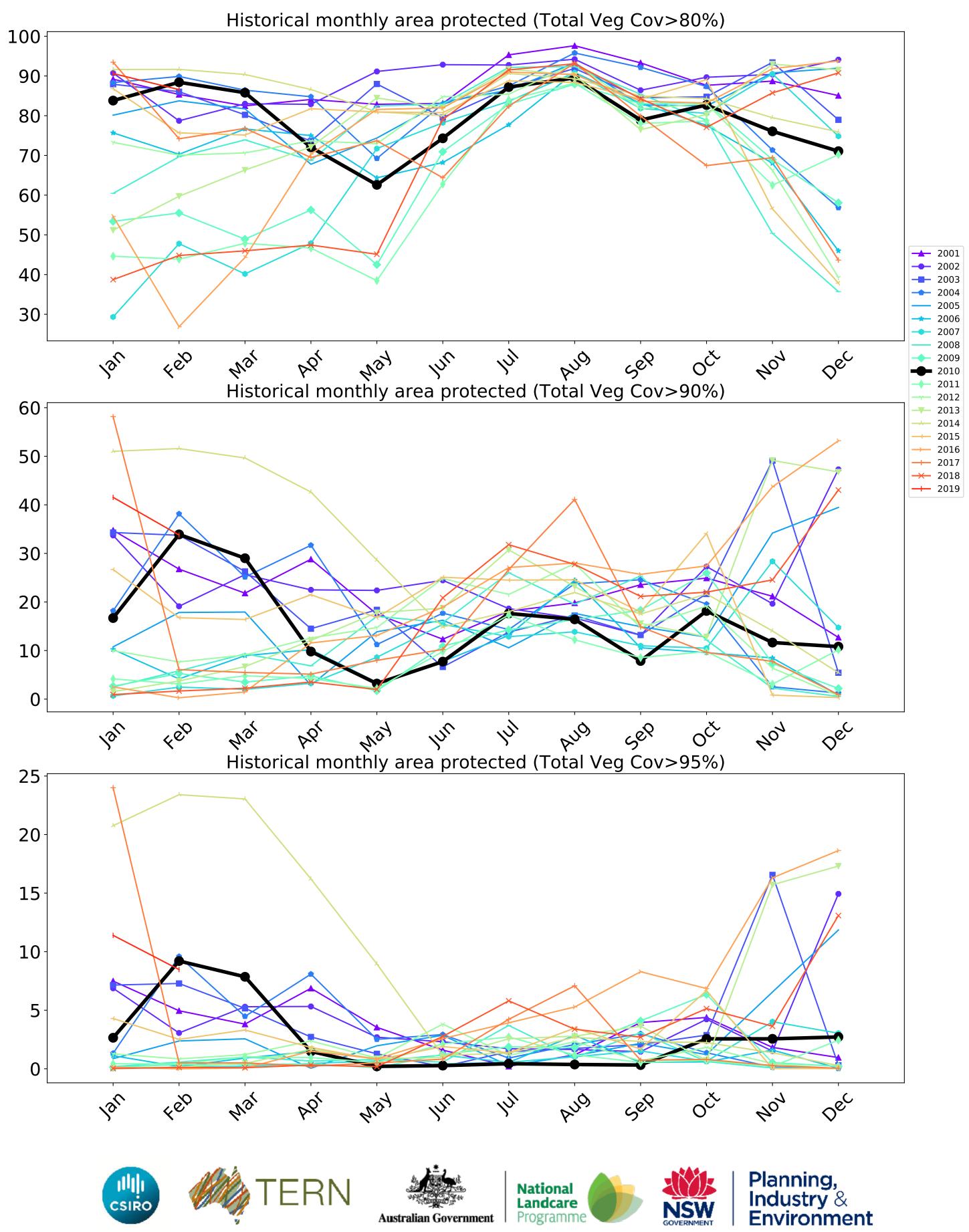
Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



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





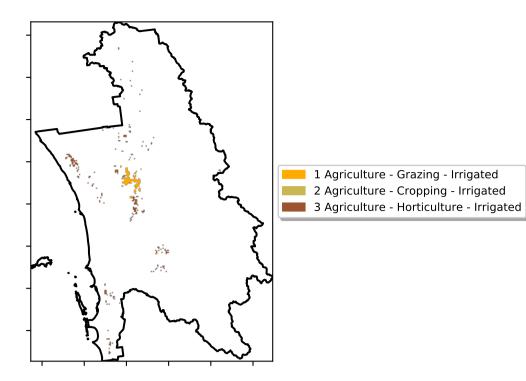




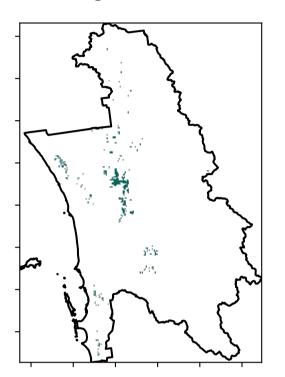
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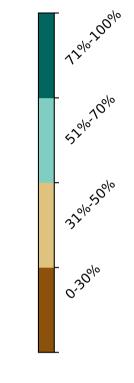
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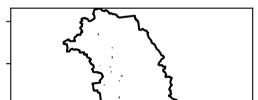


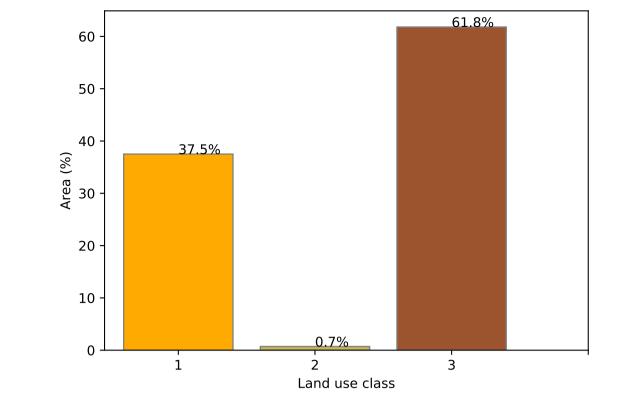
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 





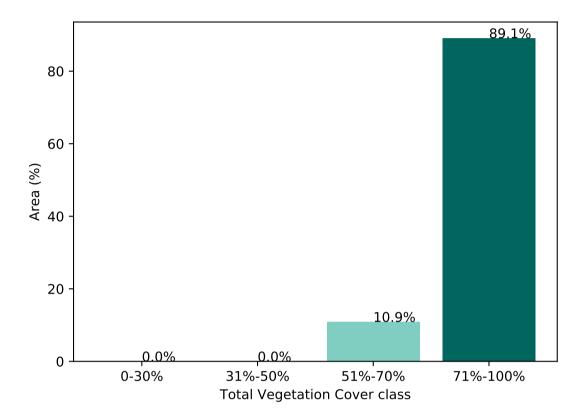
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



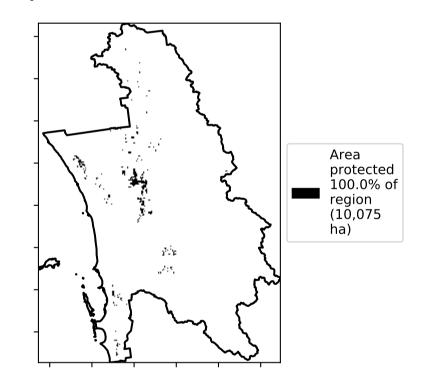


### Proportion of each land class in area

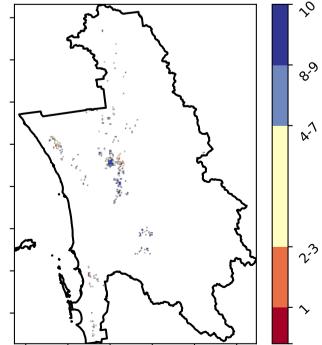
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

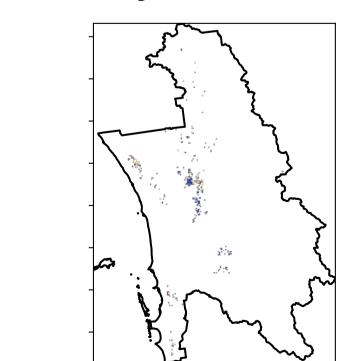


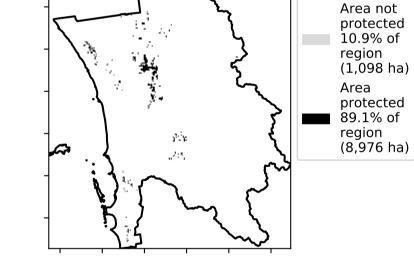
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



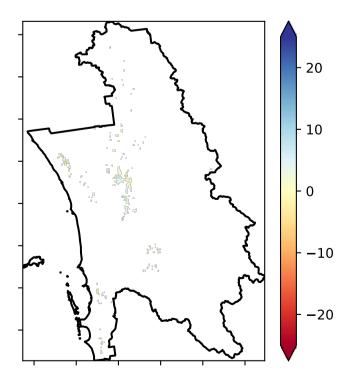
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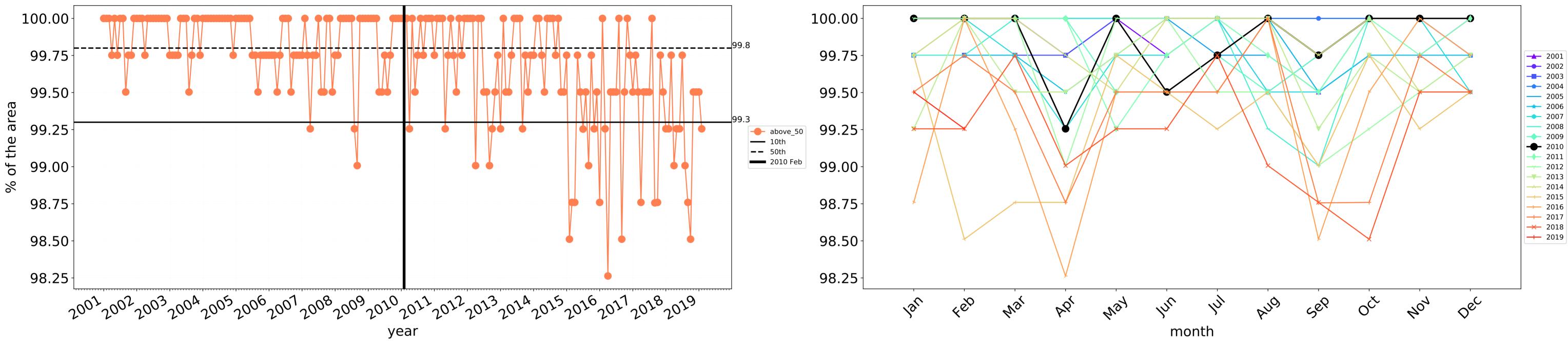


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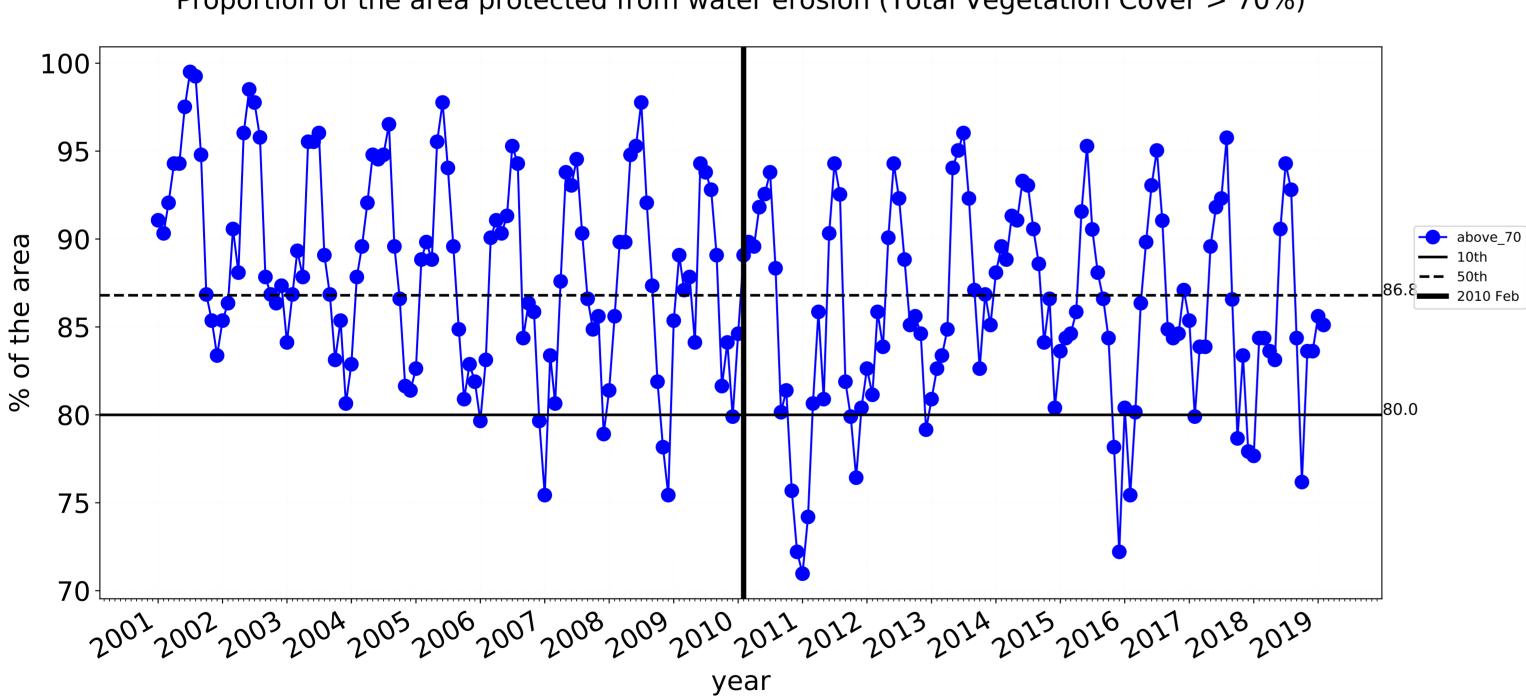


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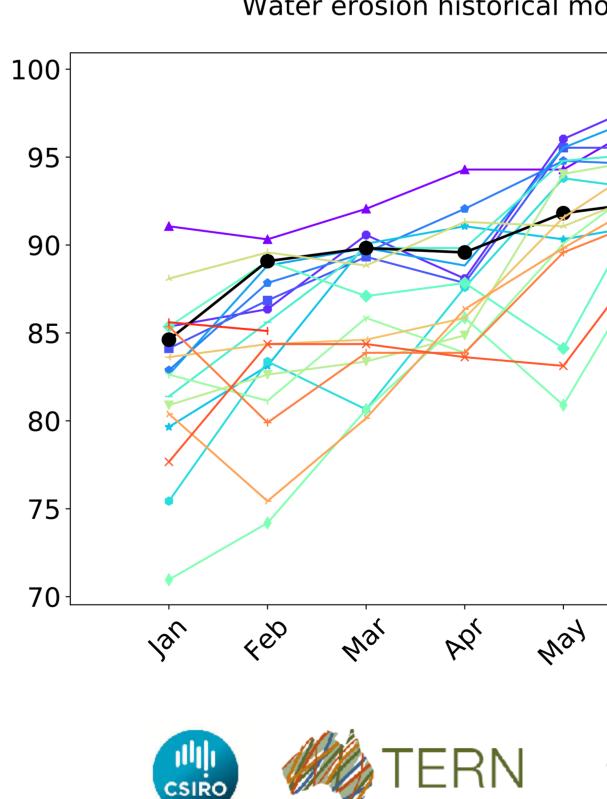


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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

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



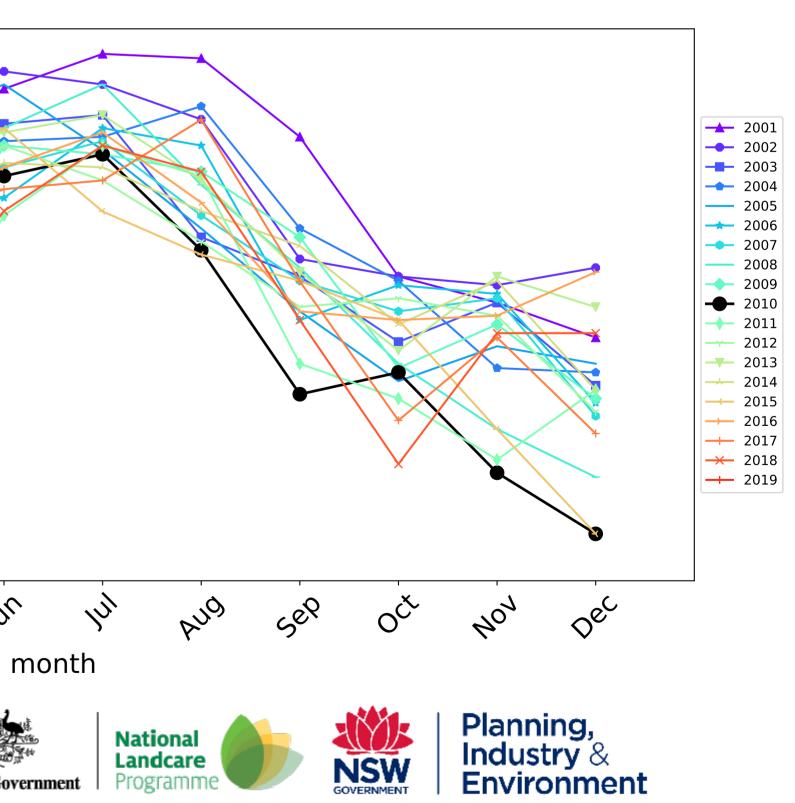
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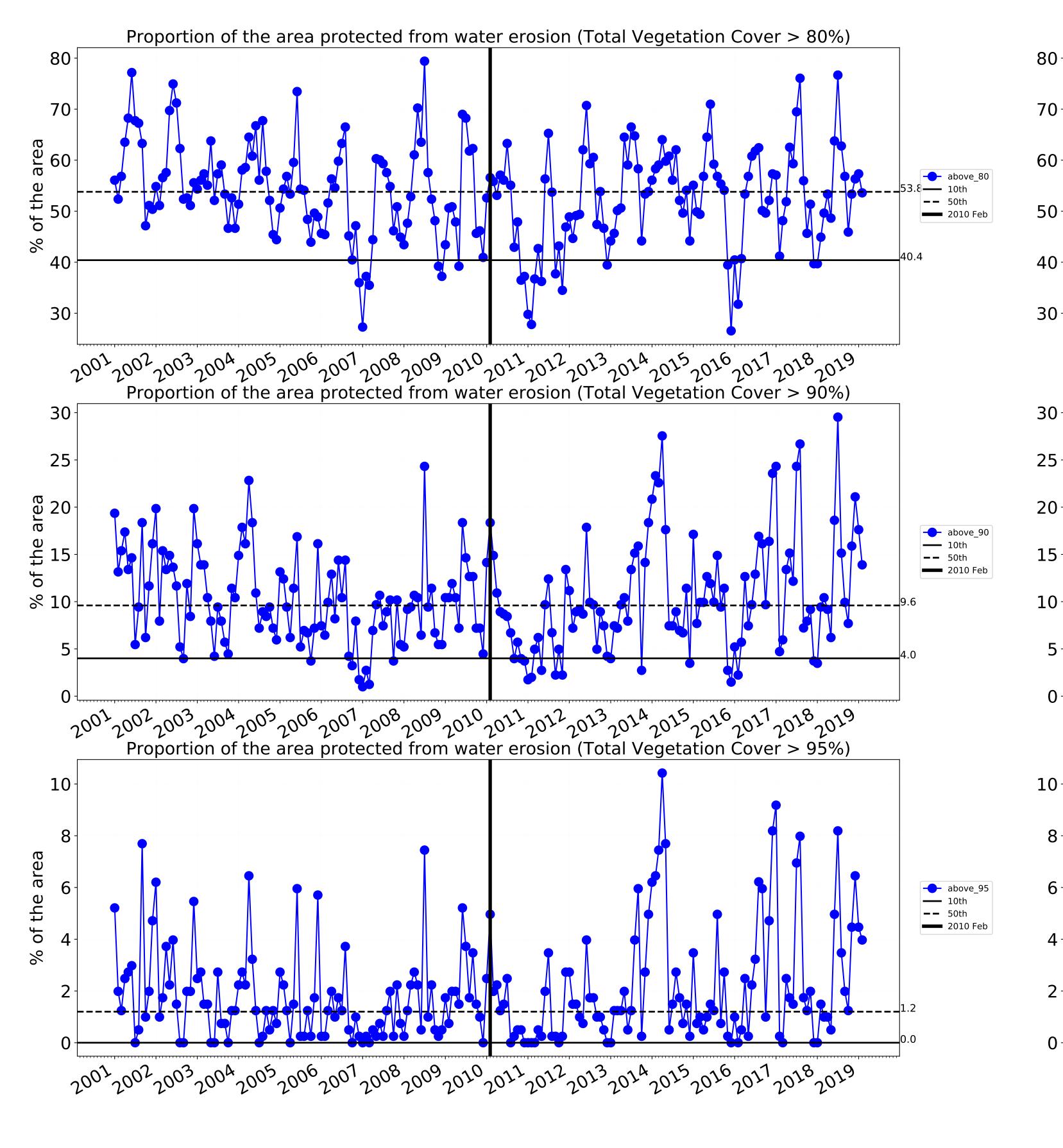
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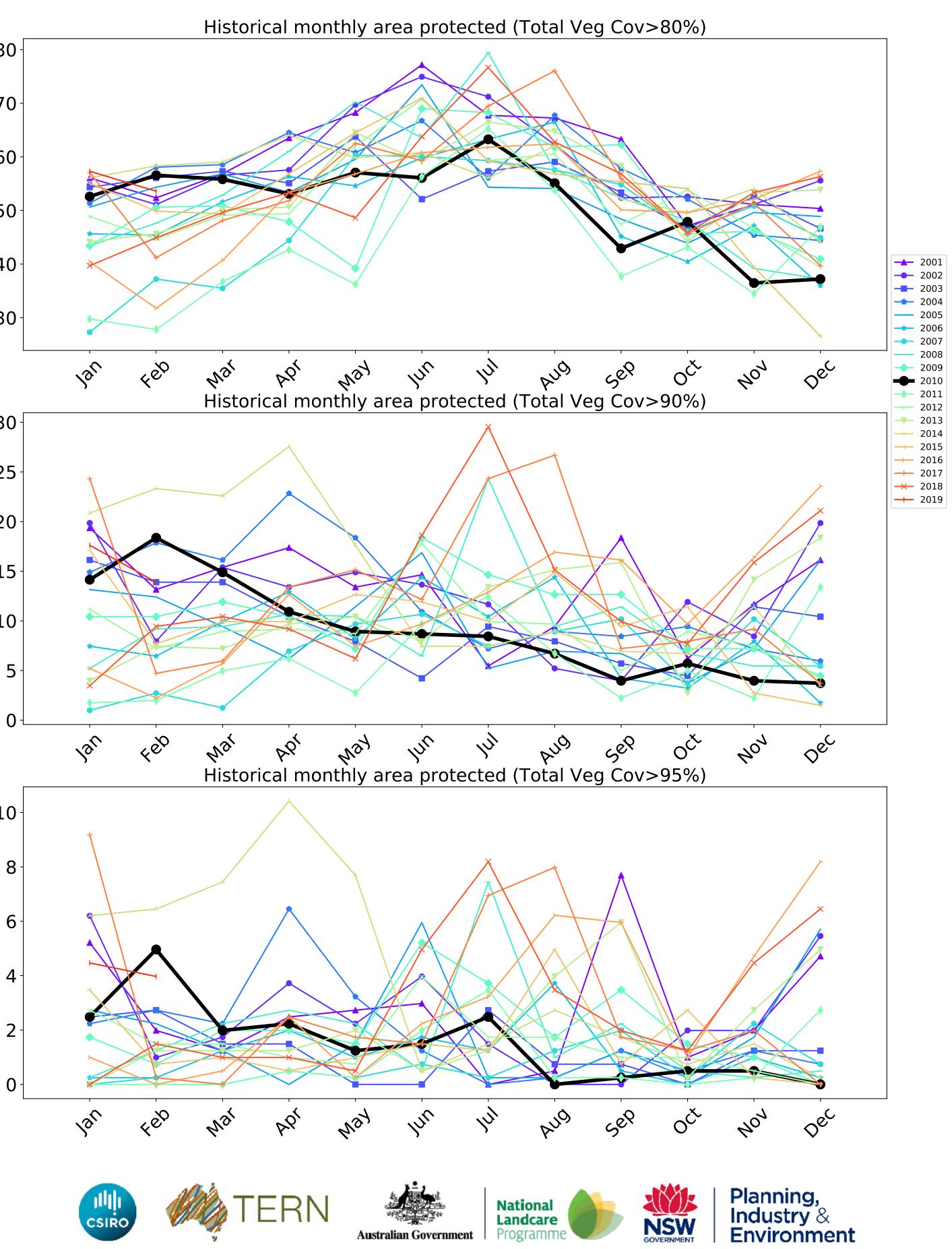
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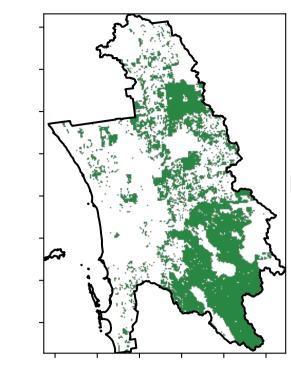


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# **Production native forests and plantation forests**

Land use and forest cover



1 Production native forests and plantation forests

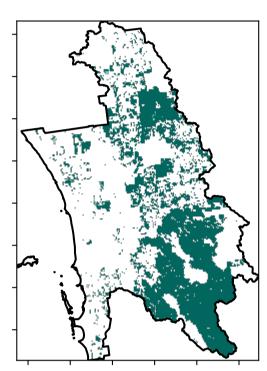
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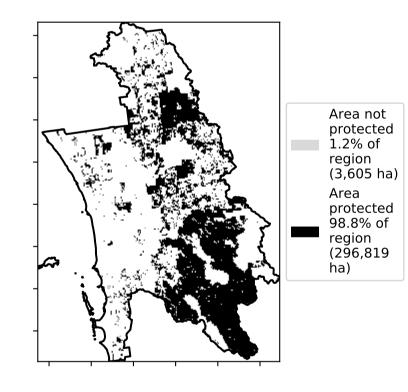
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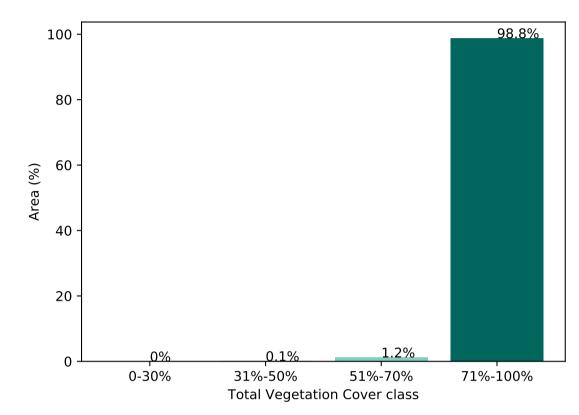
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



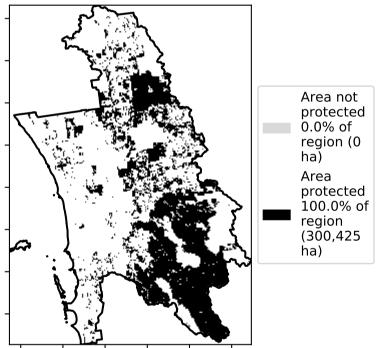
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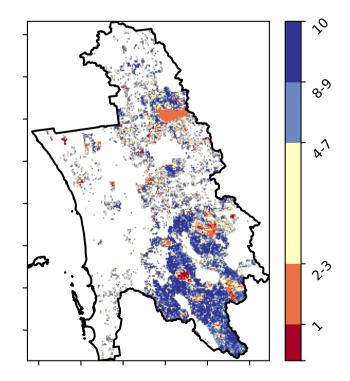




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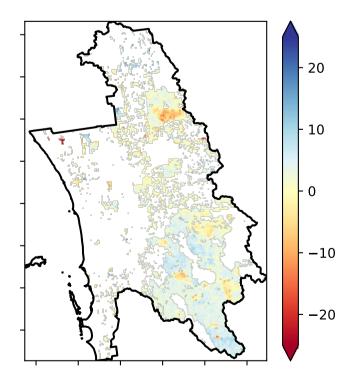
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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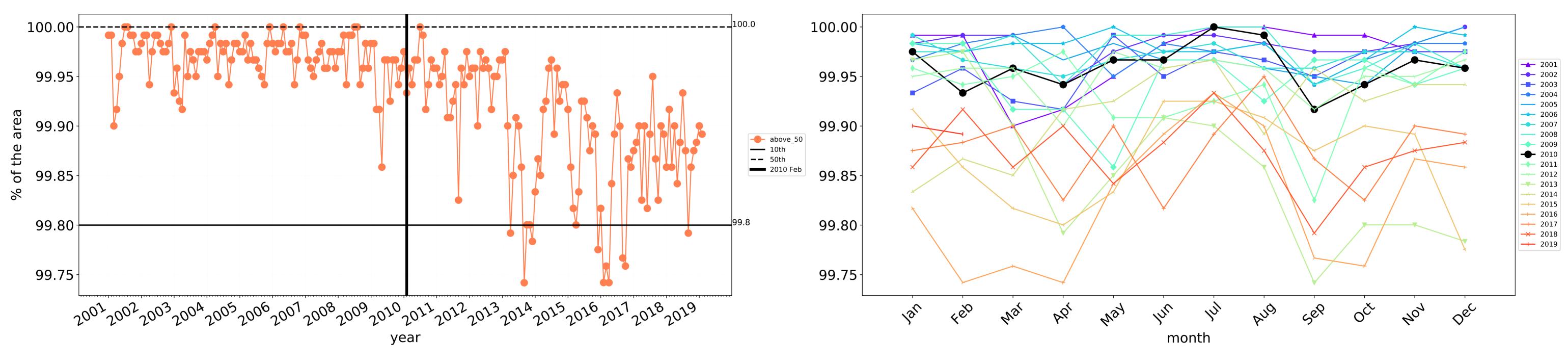
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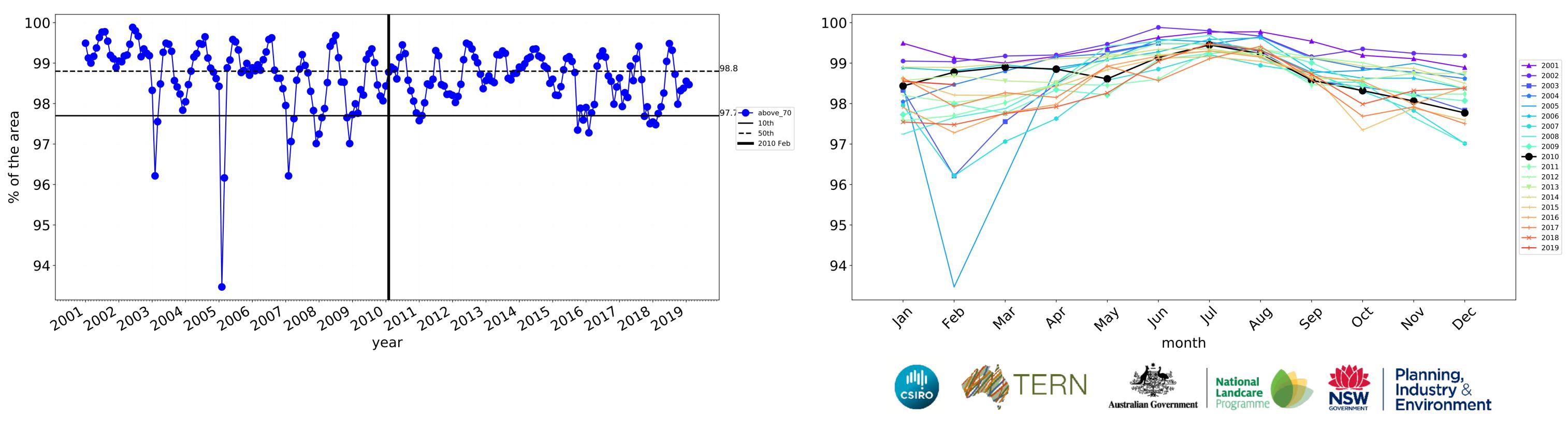


# Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries



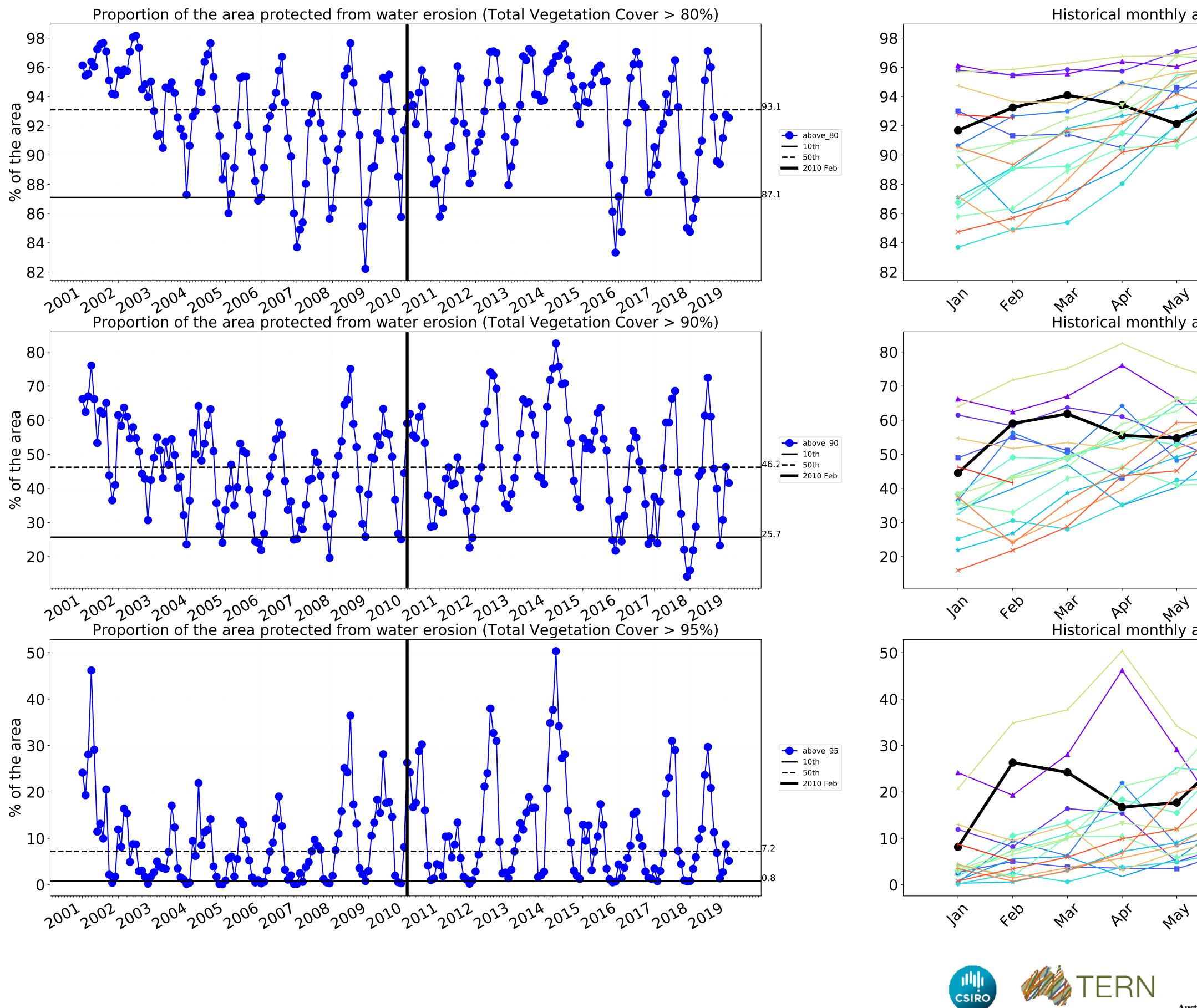
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

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



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

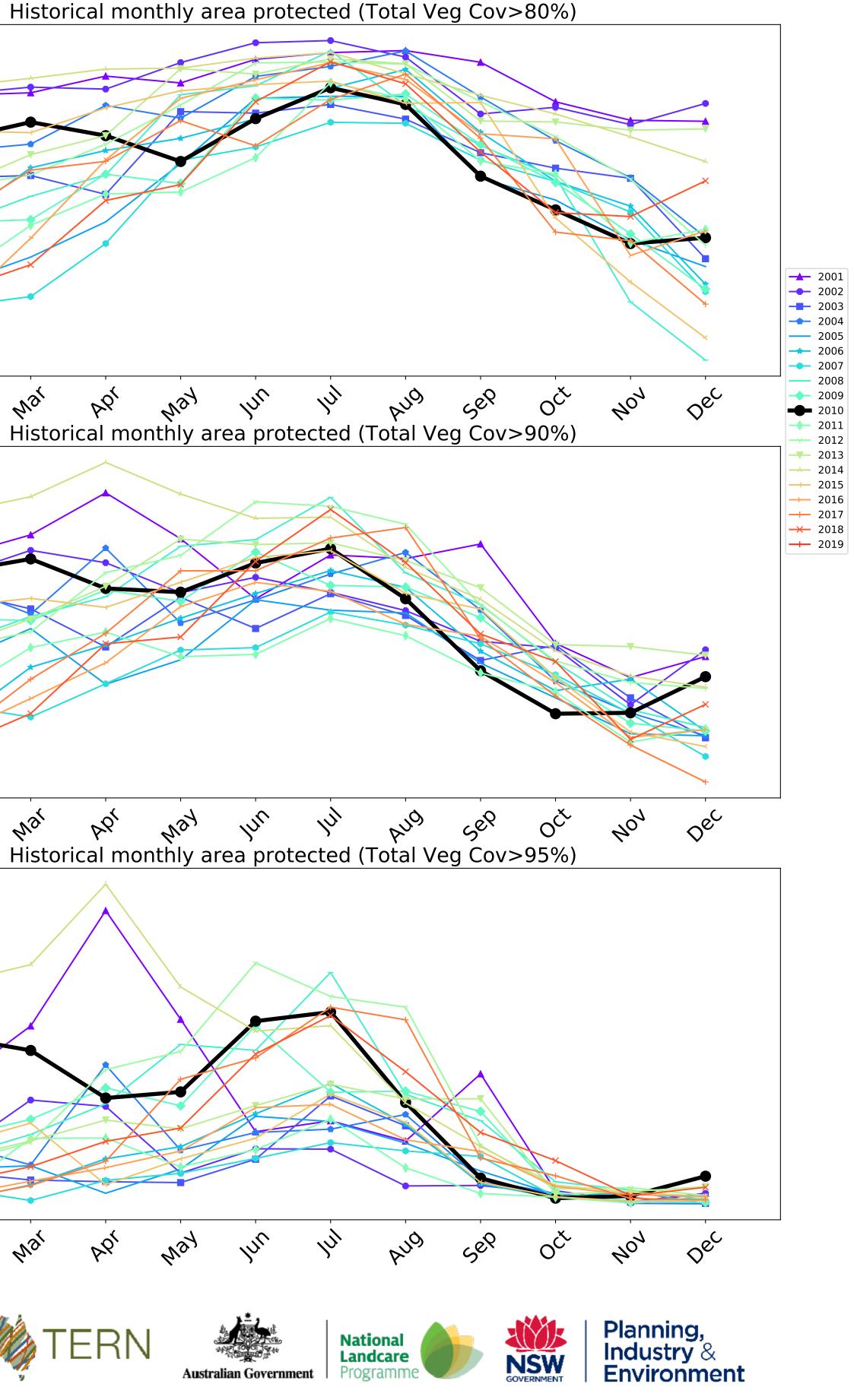
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)





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# Swan Region (877,075 ha and no data 7,090 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	877,075	100.0% 876,775	99.2% 869,702	88.5% 776,337	76.6% 671,476	38.5% 337,449	14.0% 122,929
Conservation and natural environments	232,250	100.0% 232,250	99.7% 231,650	95.9% 222,825	85.0% 197,350	41.0% 95,125	11.1% 25,875
Conservation and natural environments non forest	37,700	100.0% 37,700	99.7% 37,600	89.5% 33,725	60.6% 22,850	17.7% 6,675	4.8% 1,825
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	135,475	100.0% 135,475	100.0% 135,450	97.6% 132,200	90.5% 122,625	40.0% 54,250	5.1% 6,975
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	59,075	100.0% 59,075	99.2% 58,600	96.3% 56,900	87.8% 51,875	57.9% 34,200	28.9% 17,075
Agriculture	175,925	100.0% 175,925	100.0% 175,900	96.8% 170,325	81.7% 143,750	30.4% 53,425	8.4% 14,700
Grazing	56,150	100.0% 56,150	100.0% 56,125	94.8% 53,250	73.3% 41,150	25.7% 14,450	7.3% 4,125
Grazing non forest	55,600	100.0% 55,600	100.0% 55,575	94.8% 52,700	73.1% 40,650	25.7% 14,300	7.4% 4,125
Cropping	109,475	100.0% 109,475	100.0% 109,475	98.6% 107,900	88.4% 96,800	33.9% 37,125	9.2% 10,075
Irrigation	10,075	100.0% 10,075	100.0% 10,075	89.1% 8,975	56.6% 5,700	18.4% 1,850	5.0% 500
Production native forests and plantation forests	300,425	100.0% 300,425	99.9% 300,225	98.8% 296,750	93.2% 280,125	59.0% 177,400	26.3% 79,025

