

# Regional factsheet on protected areas and threatened species:

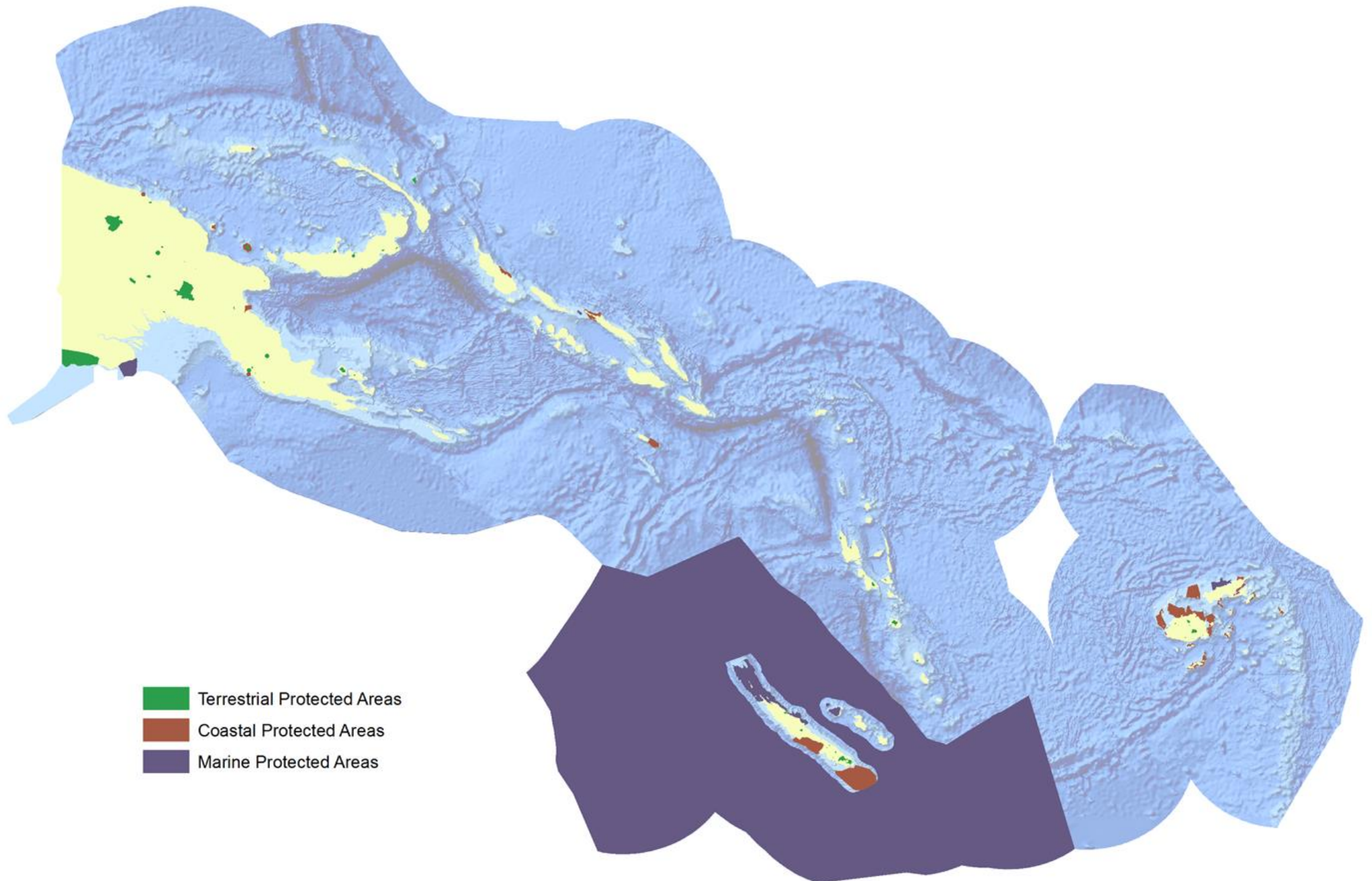
## Melanesia

Situation of May 2019

Terrestrial coverage: **4.9 %** (N = 251)

Connected protected areas: **3.5 %**

Marine coverage: **18.4 %** (N = 123)



### Country Endemic Species



**179** Amphibians of which  
**10** are threatened (5.6%)



**112** Mammals of which  
**43** are threatened (38.4%)



**255** Birds of which  
**54** are threatened (21.2%)



**20** Sharks and Rays of which  
**2** are threatened (10.0%)

**Total: 566** of which **109** are threatened (19.3%)

### Regional land cover statistics



Natural land: **99.6%** (**4.9%** protected)



Forest cover: **93.2%** (**4.4%** protected)



Inland water: **1.1%** (**12.5%** protected)



Total C stock: **17.2 Pg** (**3.2%** protected)



Total surface of the protected areas covered by urban or crop land: **0.4%**

Citation: European Commission (2019). The Digital Observatory for Protected Areas (DOPA). Regional factsheets <https://dopa.jrc.ec.europa.eu/en/mapsanddatasets> (15 October 2019)

#### Input data:

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