

Wind and Solar Curtailment August 24, 2017

This report is produced daily to provide a detailed accounting of the wind and solar renewable generation that was curtailed and the reasons why¹. This report should be read in the context of the Renewables Watch report for a more complete understanding of both renewable curtailment and generation².

Wind and solar curtailments are grouped into the following categories:

1. Economic - Local: Market dispatch of generators with economic bids to mitigate local congestion³.
2. Economic - System: Market dispatch of generators with economic bids to mitigate system-wide oversupply⁴.
3. SelfSchCut - Local: Market dispatch of self-schedules to mitigate local congestion.
4. SelfSchCut - System: Market dispatch of self-schedules to mitigate system-wide oversupply.
5. ExDispatch - Local: Exceptional dispatch to mitigate local congestion.
6. ExDispatch - System: Exceptional dispatch to mitigate system-wide oversupply.

Note: Amounts smaller than 1 MW are filtered out for simplicity. Such small curtailments are occasionally observed when forecasts are lower than Pmin when market will de-commit the unit and send the 0 MW dispatch.

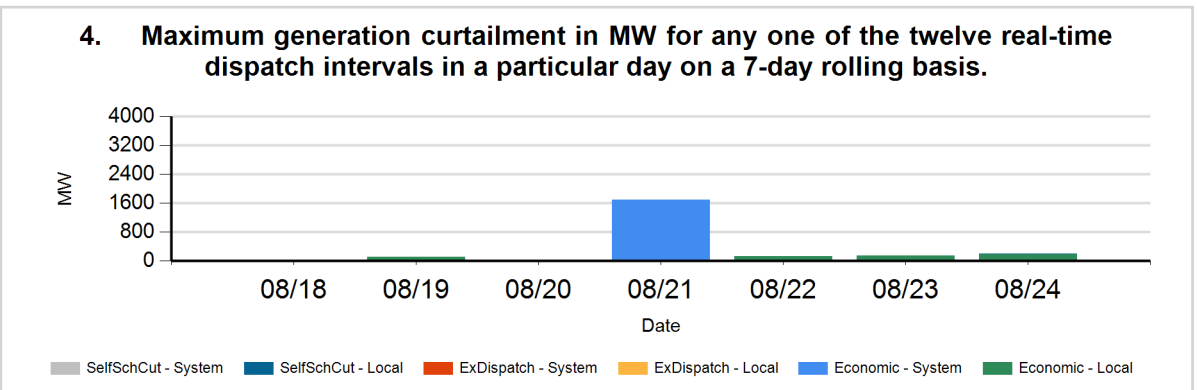
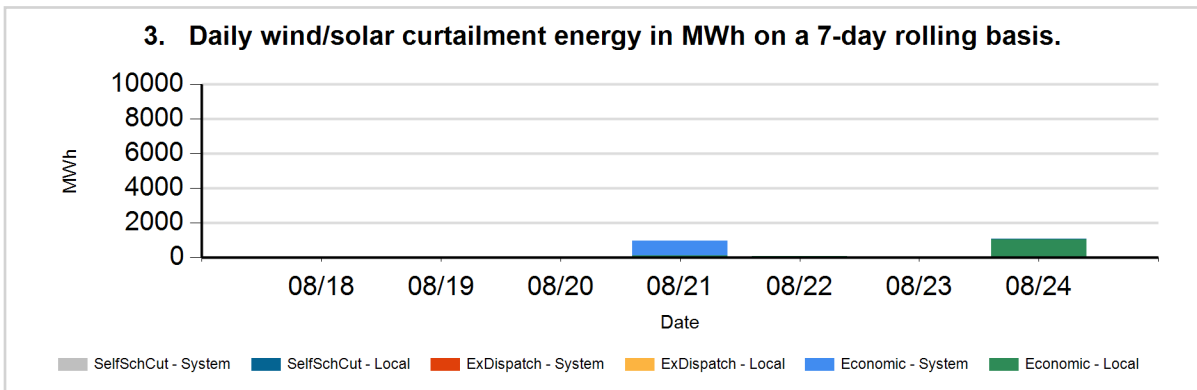
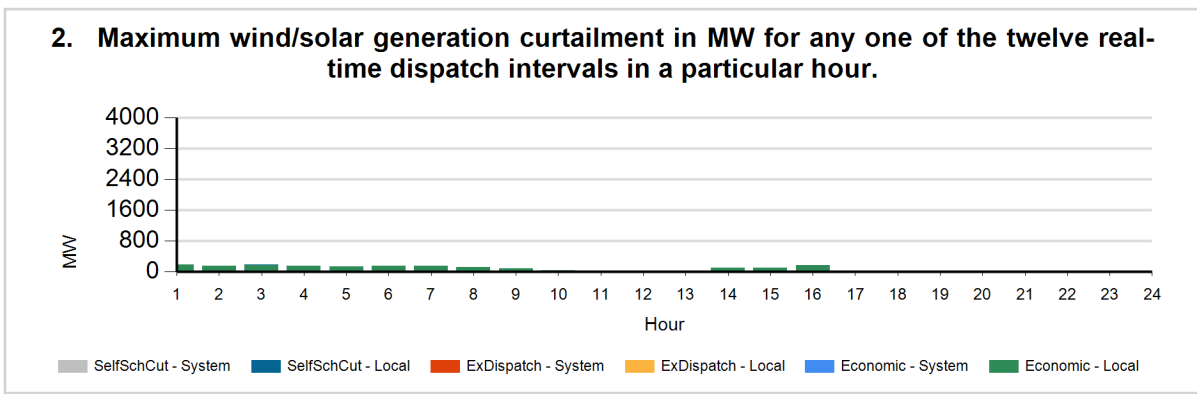
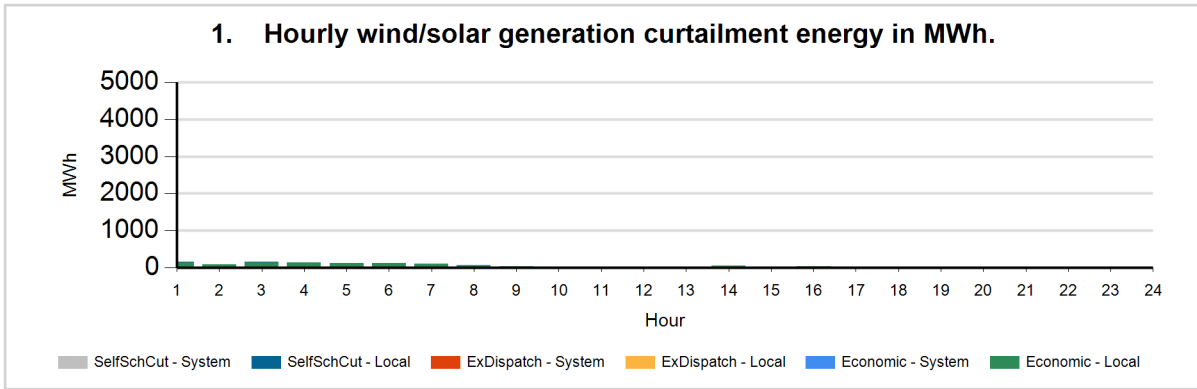
¹Only wind and solar resources can be reported in this manner because these resources have a forecast. Curtailment is defined as the difference between actual production and the forecast when actual production is less than the forecast.

²The Renewables Watch report provides daily actual renewable production within the ISO grid. It is available at: <http://www.caiso.com/green/renewableswatch.html>.

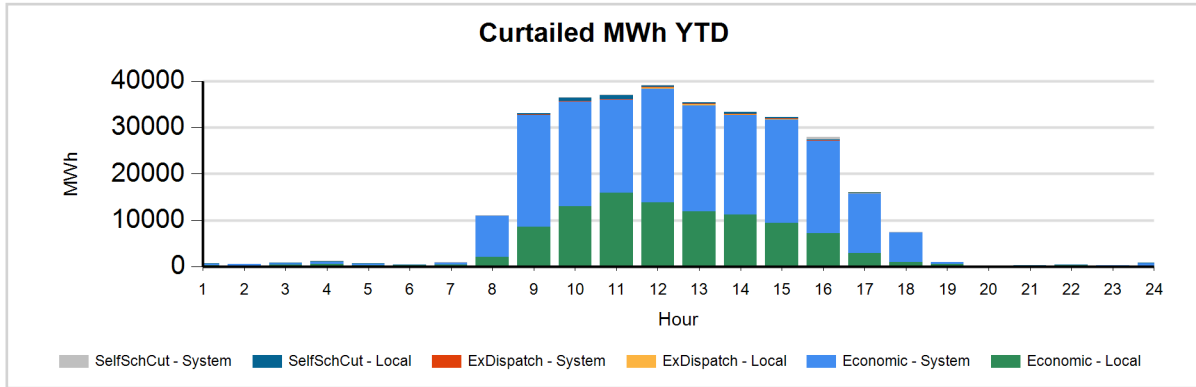
³Congestion occurs when available, least-cost energy cannot be delivered to some loads because transmission facilities do not have sufficient capacity to deliver the energy.

⁴For more information on oversupply conditions, please see: https://www.caiso.com/Documents/FlexibleResourcesHelpRenewables_FastFacts.pdf

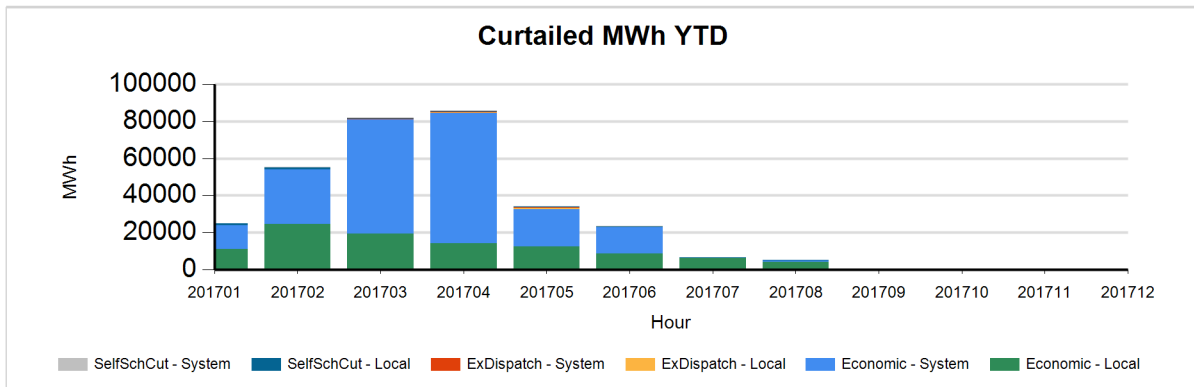
The following charts show the daily and 7-day rolling wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



The following charts show hourly year to date wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



The following charts show monthly year to date wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



TYPE	YTD CURTAILED MWH
LocalEconomic	100,814
LocalExDispatch	1,415
LocalSelfSchCut	3,705
SystemEconomic	210,096
SystemExDispatch	527
SystemSelfSchCut	828
TOTAL	317,386

Data used to produce hourly chart

DATE	HOUR	CURT TYPE	REASON	FUEL TYPE	CURTAILED MWH	CURTAILED MW
08/24	1	Economic	Local	WIND	153	179
08/24	1	SelfSchCut	Local	WIND	2	
08/24	2	Economic	Local	WIND	79	140
08/24	3	Economic	Local	WIND	148	185
08/24	3	SelfSchCut	Local	WIND	1	4
08/24	4	Economic	Local	WIND	130	144
08/24	5	Economic	Local	WIND	125	134
08/24	6	Economic	Local	WIND	123	140
08/24	7	Economic	Local	WIND	109	145
08/24	8	Economic	Local	WIND	66	122
08/24	8	Economic	System	WIND	1	
08/24	9	Economic	Local	WIND	40	84
08/24	9	ExDispatch	System	SOLR	0	
08/24	10	Economic	Local	WIND	7	27
08/24	11	Economic	Local	SOLR	0	0
08/24	13	Economic	Local	SOLR	0	0
08/24	14	Economic	Local	SOLR	42	92
08/24	15	Economic	Local	SOLR	20	106
08/24	16	Economic	Local	SOLR	37	158
08/24	16	ExDispatch	System	SOLR	0	
08/24	18	ExDispatch	Local	SOLR	0	0
08/24	19	Economic	Local	SOLR	0	1

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