

## Wind and Solar Curtailment December 20, 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 congestion<sup>3</sup>.
- 2. Economic System: Market dispatch of generators with economic bids to mitigate system-wide oversupply.
- 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.

<sup>1</sup>Only 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.

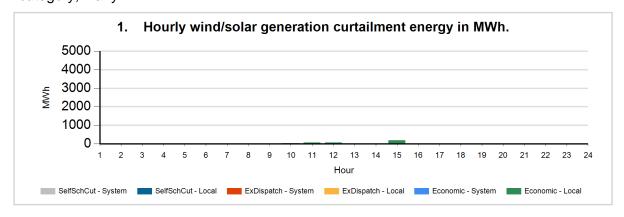
<sup>2</sup>The Renewables Watch report provides daily actual renewable production within the ISO grid. It is available at: <a href="http://www.caiso.com/green/renewableswatch.html">http://www.caiso.com/green/renewableswatch.html</a>.

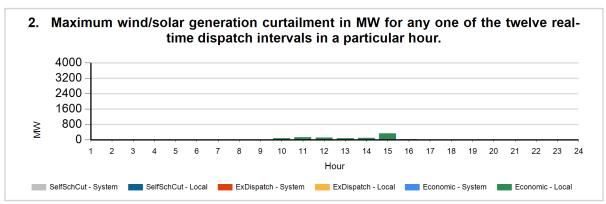
<sup>3</sup>Congestion occurs when available, least-cost energy cannot be delivered to some loads because transmission facilities do not have sufficient capacity to deliver the energy.

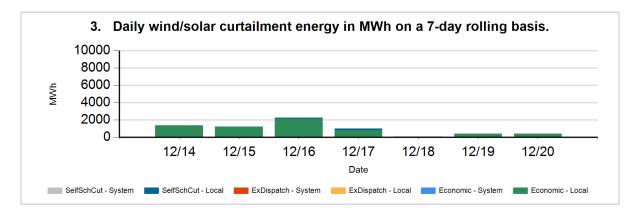
For more information on oversupply conditions, please see: <a href="https://www.caiso.com/Documents/FlexibleResourcesHelpRenewables">https://www.caiso.com/Documents/FlexibleResourcesHelpRenewables</a> FastFacts.pdf

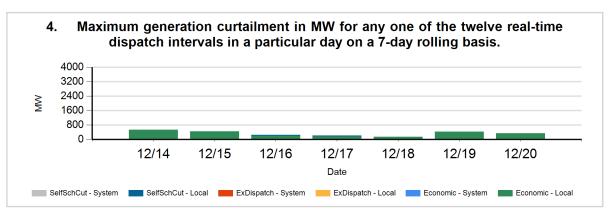


The following charts show the daily and 7-day rolling wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



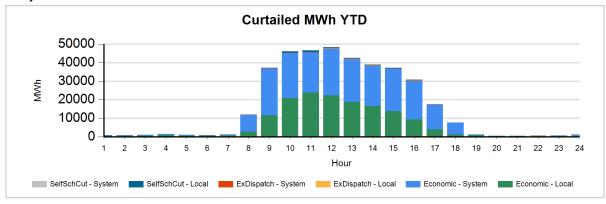




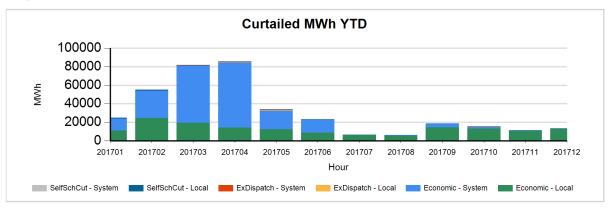




The following charts show hourly year to date wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



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



TYPE	YTD CURTAILED MWH
LocalEconomic	152,439
LocalExDispatch	1,491
LocalSelfSchCut	4,255
SystemEconomic	217,718
SystemExDispatch	551
SystemSelfSchCut	828
TOTAL	377,282



## Data used to produce hourly chart

DATE	HOU R	CURT TYPE	REASON	FUEL TYPE	CURTAILED MWH	CURTAILED MW
12/20	10	Economic	Local	SOLR	25	76
12/20	11	Economic	Local	SOLR	74	132
12/20	12	Economic	Local	SOLR	64	122
12/20	13	Economic	Local	SOLR	23	81
12/20	14	Economic	Local	SOLR	13	91
12/20	15	Economic	Local	SOLR	196	325
12/20	16	Economic	Local	SOLR	3	32
12/20	18	Economic	Local	WIND	0	1

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