

Wind and Solar Curtailment April 14, 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.

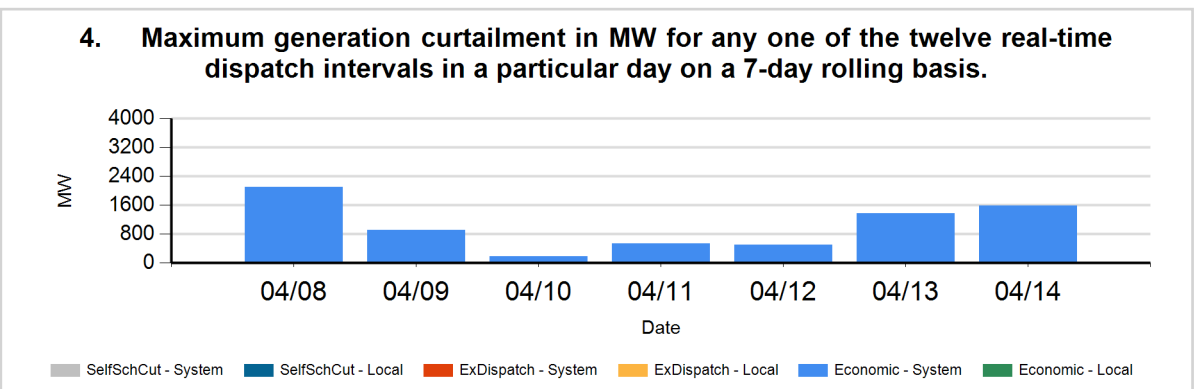
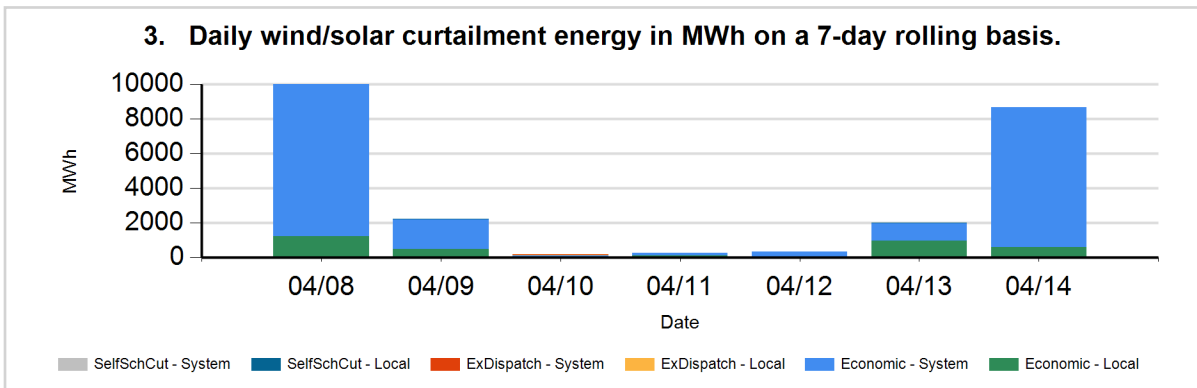
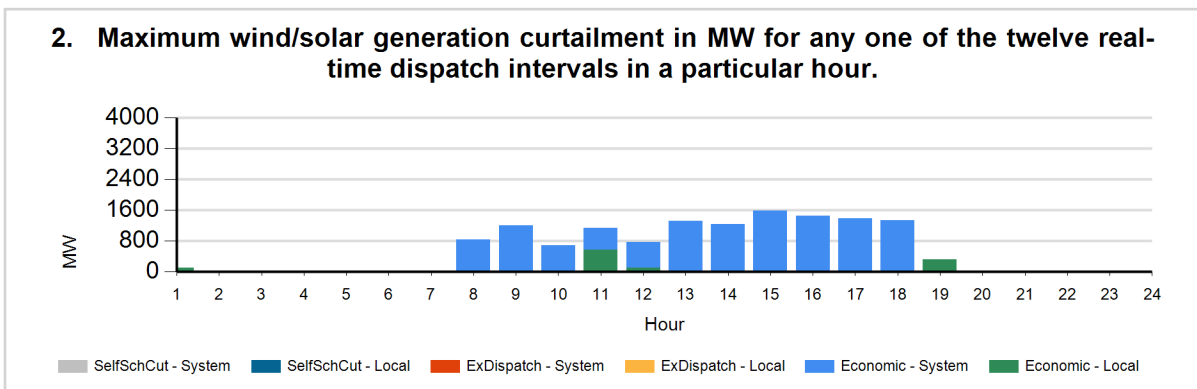
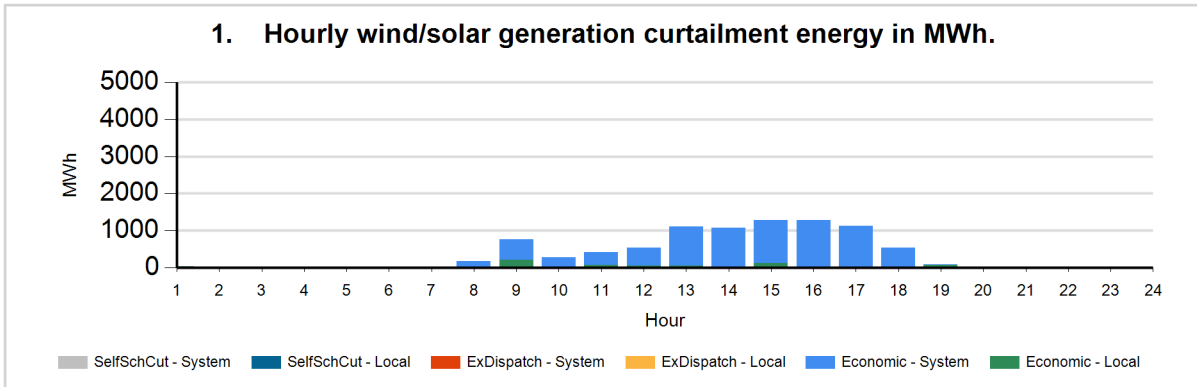
¹Only wind and solar resources can be reported in this manner because these resources have a forecast. Curtailment is defined as the difference between actual production and the forecast when actual production is less than the forecast.

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

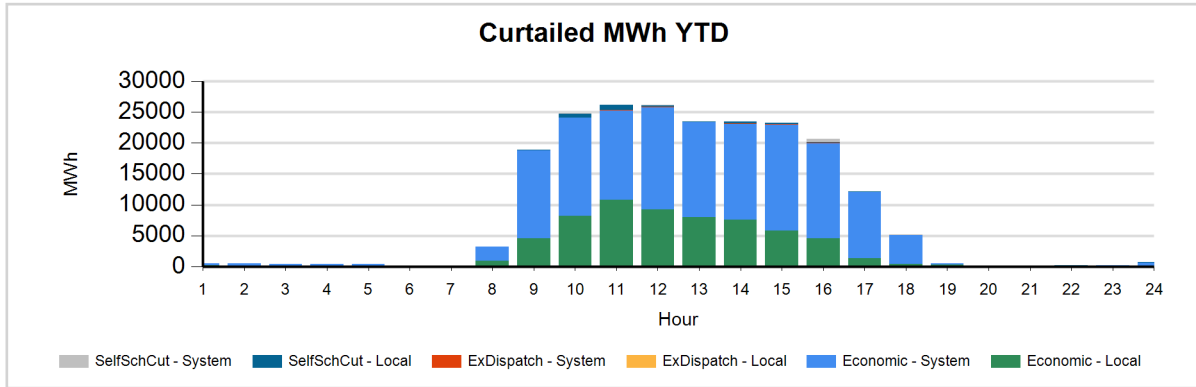
³Congestion occurs when available, least-cost energy cannot be delivered to some loads because transmission facilities do not have sufficient capacity to deliver the energy.

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

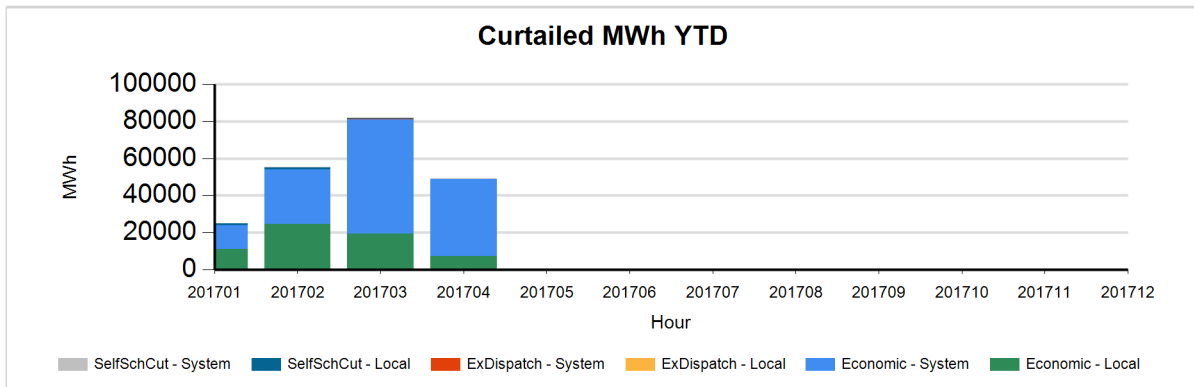
The following charts show the daily and 7-day rolling wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



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	62,302
LocalExDispatch	50
LocalSelfSchCut	2,761
SystemEconomic	145,608
SystemExDispatch	24
SystemSelfSchCut	550
TOTAL	211,295

Data used to produce hourly chart

DATE	HOUR	CURT TYPE	REASON	FUEL TYPE	CURTAILED MWH	CURTAILED MW
04/14	1	Economic	Local	WIND	37	102
04/14	8	Economic	Local	SOLR	0	
04/14	8	Economic	System	SOLR	175	823
04/14	8	Economic	System	WIND	3	11
04/14	9	Economic	Local	SOLR	197	
04/14	9	Economic	Local	WIND	0	
04/14	9	Economic	System	SOLR	564	1197
04/14	9	Economic	System	WIND	2	3
04/14	10	Economic	System	SOLR	272	677
04/14	10	Economic	System	WIND	0	1
04/14	11	Economic	Local	SOLR	61	555
04/14	11	Economic	Local	WIND	0	2
04/14	11	Economic	System	SOLR	356	570
04/14	11	Economic	System	WIND	1	
04/14	12	Economic	Local	SOLR	45	92
04/14	12	Economic	System	SOLR	496	680
04/14	12	Economic	System	WIND	0	1
04/14	13	Economic	Local	SOLR	42	11
04/14	13	Economic	System	SOLR	1059	1307
04/14	13	Economic	System	WIND	0	0
04/14	13	SelfSchCut	Local	SOLR	0	
04/14	14	Economic	Local	SOLR	11	11
04/14	14	Economic	System	SOLR	1054	1215
04/14	14	Economic	System	WIND	0	0
04/14	15	Economic	Local	SOLR	120	11
04/14	15	Economic	Local	WIND	0	
04/14	15	Economic	System	SOLR	1150	1572
04/14	15	Economic	System	WIND	0	0
04/14	16	Economic	Local	SOLR	9	12
04/14	16	Economic	System	SOLR	1270	1444
04/14	16	Economic	System	WIND	0	0

04/14	17	Economic	Local	SOLR	5	6
04/14	17	Economic	System	SOLR	1111	1378
04/14	17	Economic	System	WIND	0	0
04/14	18	Economic	System	SOLR	530	1326
04/14	18	Economic	System	WIND	0	1
04/14	19	Economic	Local	SOLR	83	315
04/14	19	Economic	Local	WIND	0	0
04/14	19	Economic	System	SOLR	3	

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