

Wind and Solar Curtailment February 19, 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.

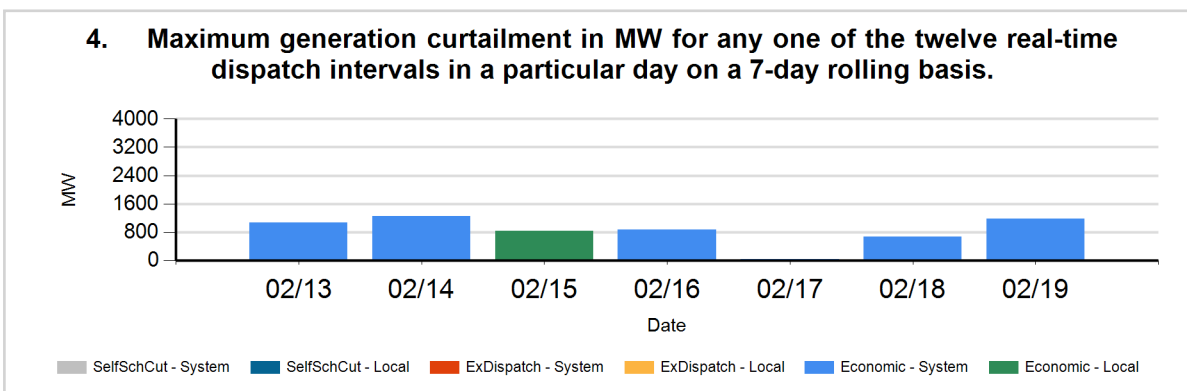
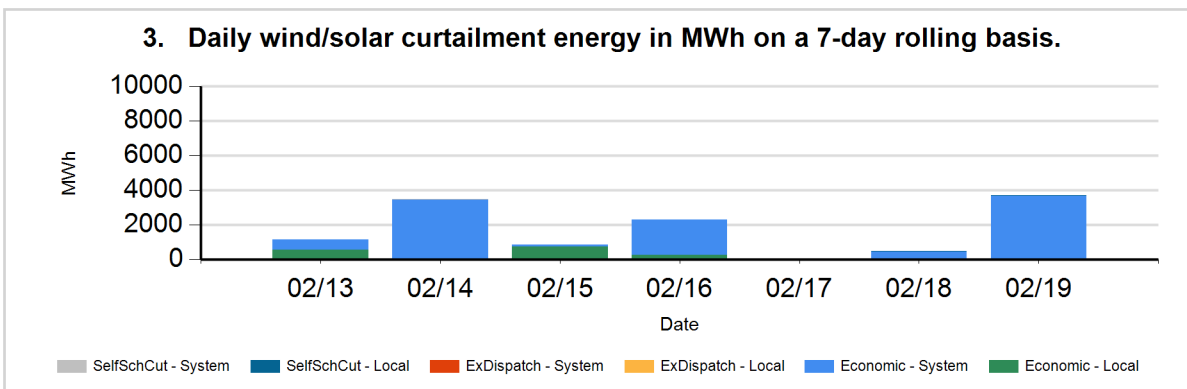
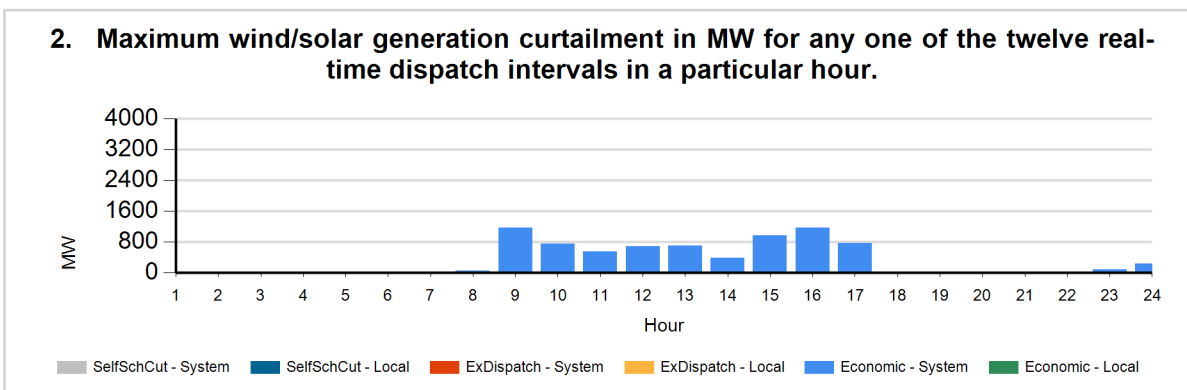
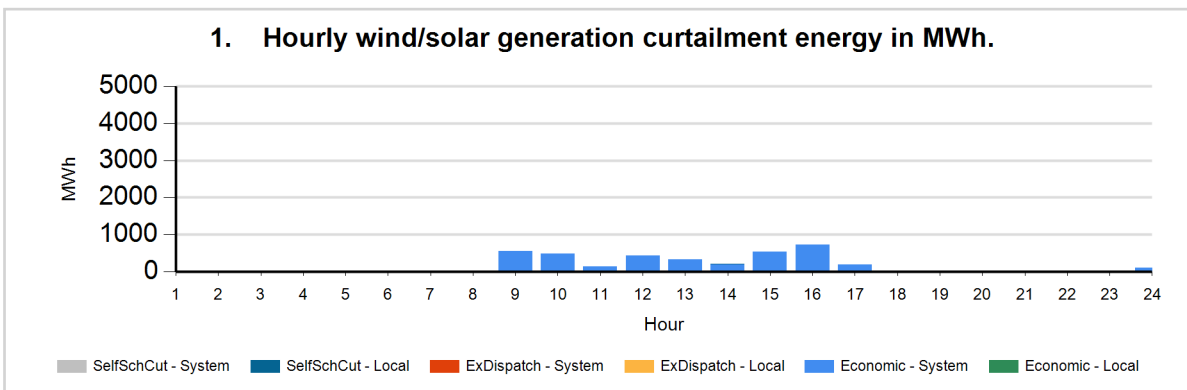
¹Only wind and solar resources can be reported in this manner because these resources have a forecast. Curtailment is defined as the difference between actual production and the forecast when actual production is less than the forecast.

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.



Data used to produce hourly charts

DATE	HOUR	CURT TYPE	REASON	FUEL TYPE	CURTAILED MWH	CURTAILED MW
02/19	8	Economic	System	SOLR	2	22
02/19	8	Economic	System	WIND	5	30
02/19	9	Economic	System	SOLR	491	996
02/19	9	Economic	System	WIND	54	173
02/19	10	Economic	System	SOLR	468	731
02/19	10	Economic	System	WIND	23	26
02/19	11	Economic	System	SOLR	124	514
02/19	11	Economic	System	WIND	20	27
02/19	12	Economic	System	SOLR	378	642
02/19	12	Economic	System	WIND	45	45
02/19	13	Economic	System	SOLR	252	632
02/19	13	Economic	System	WIND	70	72
02/19	14	Economic	System	SOLR	119	303
02/19	14	Economic	System	WIND	78	77
02/19	14	SelfSchCut	Local	SOLR	1	
02/19	15	Economic	System	SOLR	456	763
02/19	15	Economic	System	WIND	85	196
02/19	16	Economic	System	SOLR	506	693
02/19	16	Economic	System	WIND	221	480
02/19	17	Economic	System	SOLR	90	302
02/19	17	Economic	System	WIND	104	458
02/19	23	Economic	System	WIND	6	75
02/19	24	Economic	System	WIND	106	237

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