

Wind and Solar Curtailment March 09, 2021

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 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.

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.

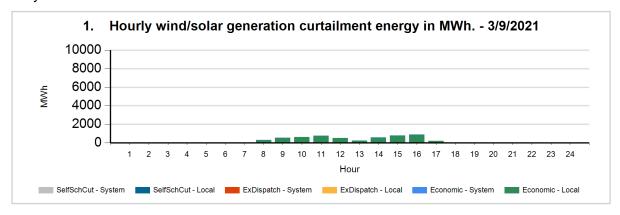
²The Renewables Watch report provides daily actual renewable production within the ISO grid. It is available at: http://www.caiso.com/green/renewableswatch.html.

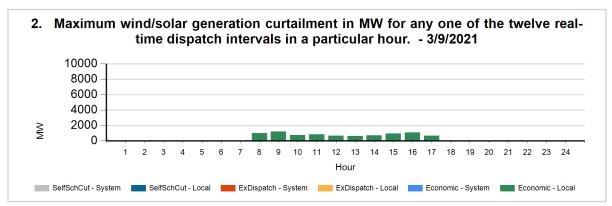
³Congestion occurs when available, least-cost energy cannot be delivered to some loads because transmission facilities do not have sufficient capacity to deliver the energy.

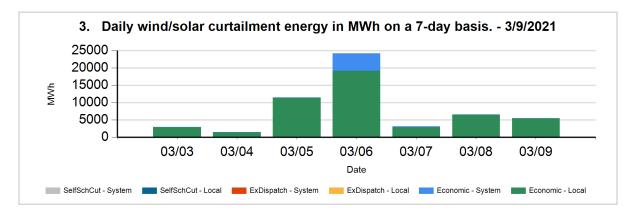
For more information on oversupply conditions, please see: https://www.caiso.com/Documents/FlexibleResourcesHelpRenewables FastFacts.pdf

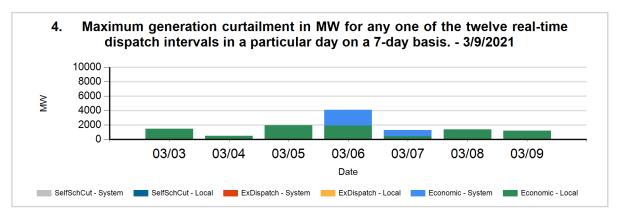


The following charts show the daily and 7-day wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



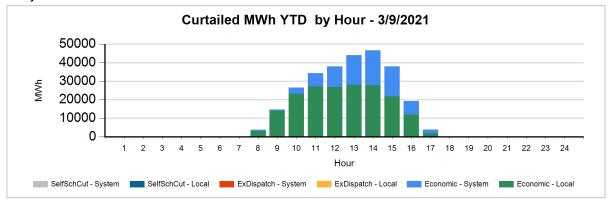




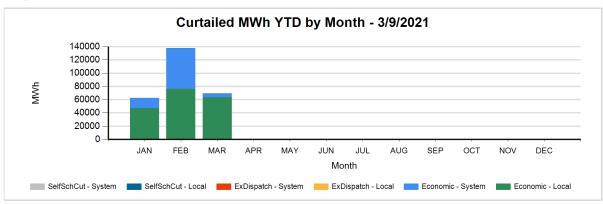




The following charts show hourly year to date wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



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



TYPE	YTD CURTAILED MWH - 3/9/2021
LocalEconomic	186,395
LocalSelfSchCut	521
SystemEconomic	82,183
TOTAL	269,099



Data used to produce hourly chart



DATE	HOU R	CURT TYPE	REASON	FUEL TYPE	CURTAILED MWH	CURTAILED MW
03/09	7	Economic	Local	SOLR	1	16
03/09	7	Economic	System	SOLR	1	
03/09	8	Economic	Local	SOLR	257	830
03/09	8	Economic	Local	WIND	39	179
03/09	8	Economic	System	SOLR	9	
03/09	9	Economic	Local	SOLR	515	1090
03/09	9	Economic	Local	WIND	43	111
03/09	9	Economic	System	SOLR	1	
03/09	10	Economic	Local	SOLR	553	706
03/09	10	Economic	Local	WIND	49	47
03/09	11	Economic	Local	SOLR	704	776
03/09	11	Economic	Local	WIND	43	53
03/09	11	Economic	System	SOLR	0	
03/09	11	SelfSchCut	Local	SOLR	4	5
03/09	12	Economic	Local	SOLR	475	626
03/09	12	Economic	Local	WIND	45	39
03/09	13	Economic	Local	SOLR	192	583
03/09	13	Economic	Local	WIND	52	55
03/09	13	Economic	System	SOLR	0	
03/09	14	Economic	Local	SOLR	526	629
03/09	14	Economic	Local	WIND	53	55
03/09	14	Economic	System	SOLR	2	
03/09	14	Economic	System	WIND	0	
03/09	15	Economic	Local	SOLR	517	644
03/09	15	Economic	Local	WIND	242	250
03/09	15	Economic	System	SOLR	15	35
03/09	15	Economic	System	WIND	10	11
03/09	16	Economic	Local	SOLR	658	807
03/09	16	Economic	Local	WIND	229	287
03/09	16	Economic	System	SOLR	2	
03/09	17	Economic	Local	SOLR	141	406
03/09	17	Economic	Local	WIND	50	237



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