

Wind and Solar Curtailment March 12, 2024

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.

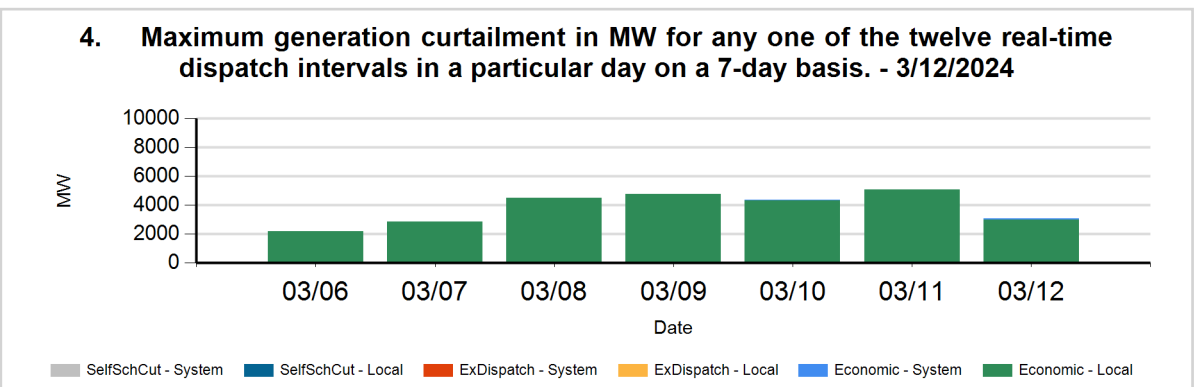
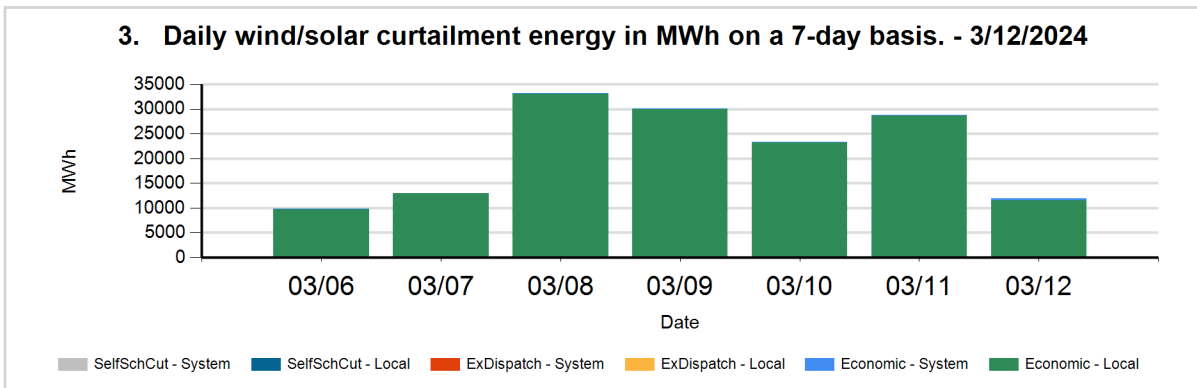
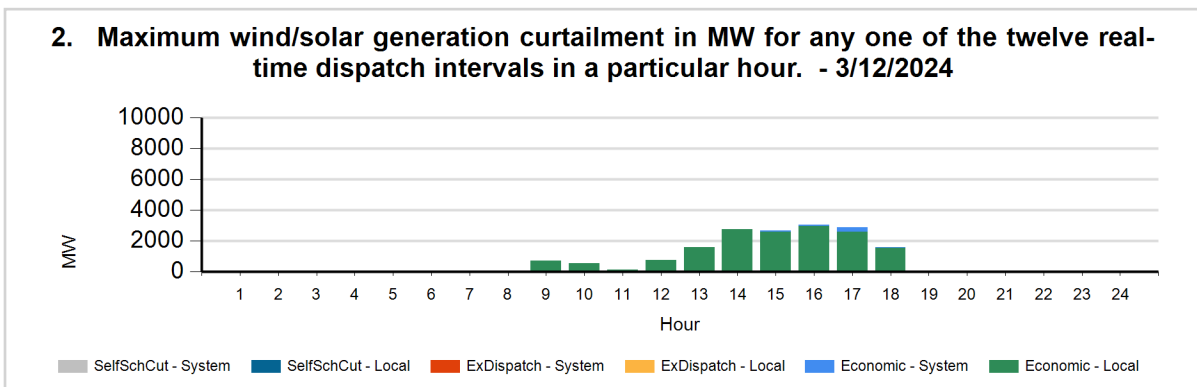
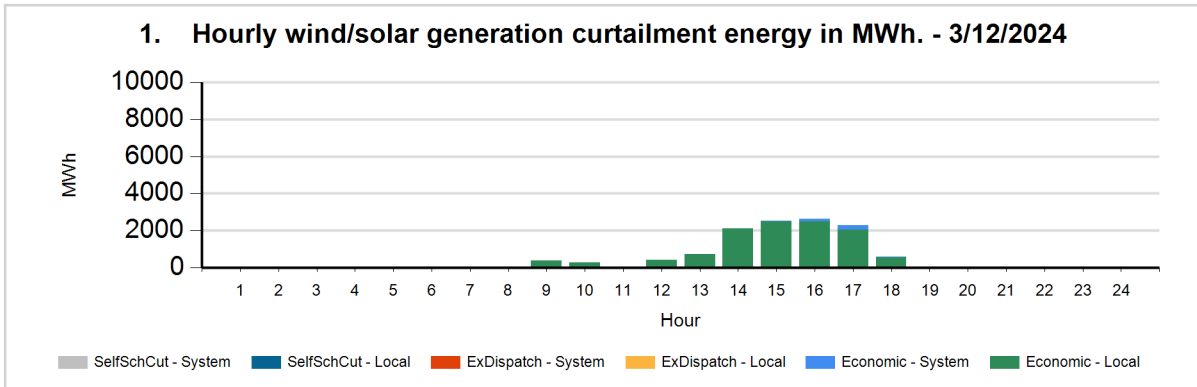
¹Only wind and solar resources can be reported in this manner because these resources have a forecast. Curtailment is defined as the difference between actual production and the forecast when actual production is less than the forecast.

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

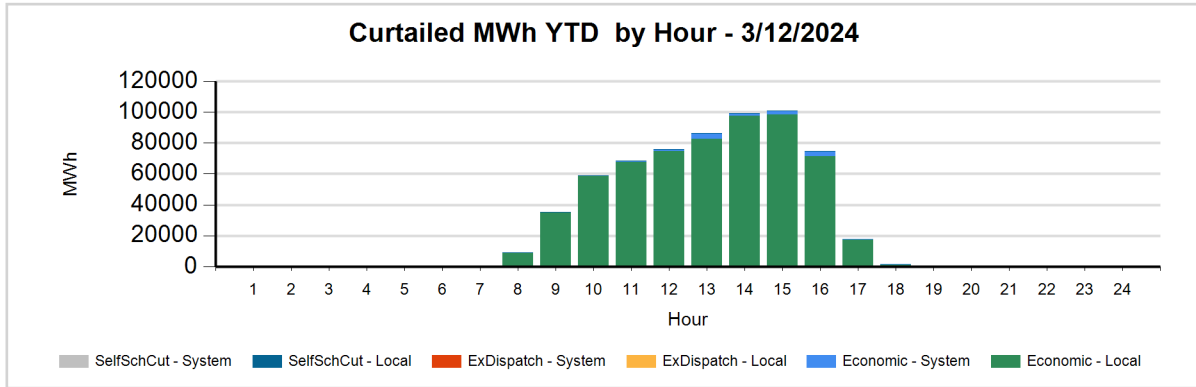
³Congestion occurs when available, least-cost energy cannot be delivered to some loads because transmission facilities do not have sufficient capacity to deliver the energy.

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

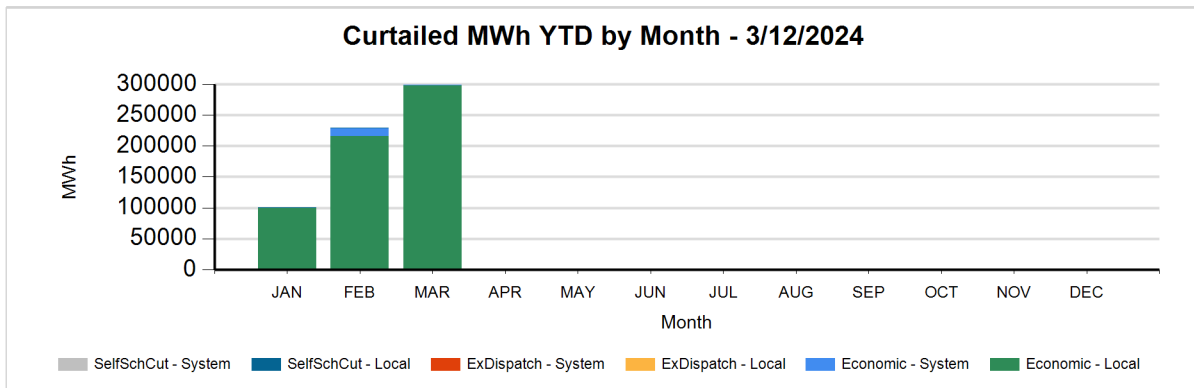
The following charts show the daily and 7-day wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



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 - 3/12/2024
LocalEconomic	613,944
LocalSelfSchCut	257
SystemEconomic	14,557
TOTAL	628,758

Data used to produce hourly chart

DATE	HOUR	CURT TYPE	REASON	FUEL TYPE	CURTAILED MWH	CURTAILED MW
03/12	1	Economic	System	WIND	1	10
03/12	2	Economic	Local	WIND	1	
03/12	2	Economic	System	WIND	2	16
03/12	9	Economic	Local	SOLR	379	723
03/12	10	Economic	Local	SOLR	265	553
03/12	11	Economic	Local	SOLR	42	130
03/12	12	Economic	Local	SOLR	428	752
03/12	13	Economic	Local	SOLR	671	1396
03/12	13	Economic	Local	WIND	61	170
03/12	14	Economic	Local	SOLR	1896	2415
03/12	14	Economic	Local	WIND	212	345
03/12	15	Economic	Local	SOLR	2311	2463
03/12	15	Economic	Local	WIND	164	116
03/12	15	Economic	System	WIND	51	84
03/12	16	Economic	Local	SOLR	2343	2775
03/12	16	Economic	Local	WIND	159	194
03/12	16	Economic	System	SOLR	71	
03/12	16	Economic	System	WIND	58	67
03/12	17	Economic	Local	SOLR	1916	2463
03/12	17	Economic	Local	WIND	126	118
03/12	17	Economic	System	SOLR	141	43
03/12	17	Economic	System	WIND	109	247
03/12	18	Economic	Local	SOLR	501	1435
03/12	18	Economic	Local	WIND	49	98
03/12	18	Economic	System	SOLR	23	61
03/12	18	Economic	System	WIND	5	6

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