

Wind and Solar Curtailment March 23, 2018

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.

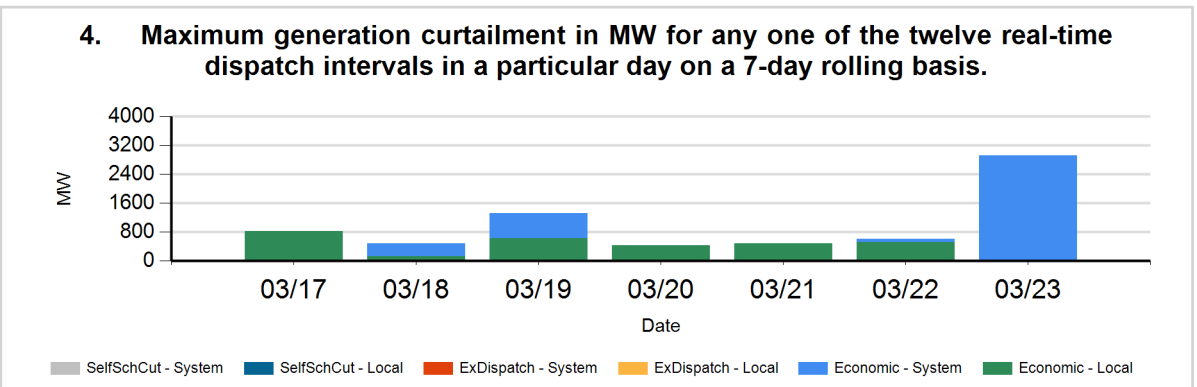
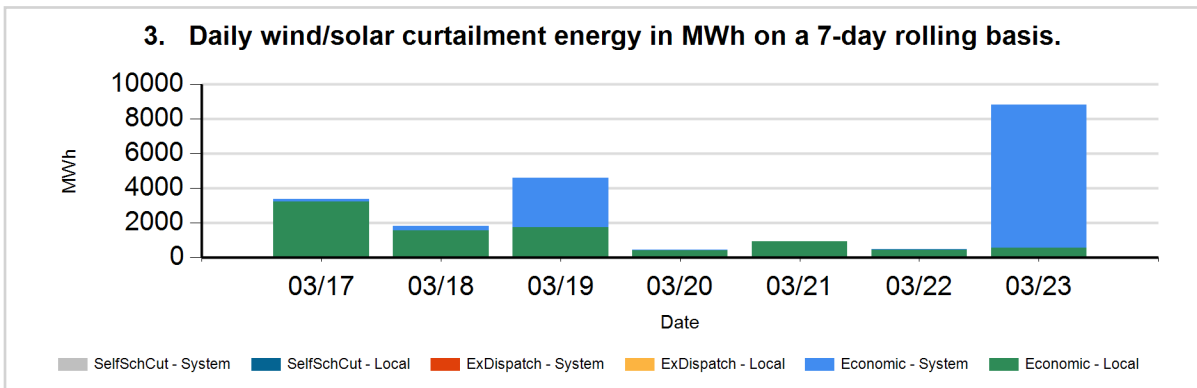
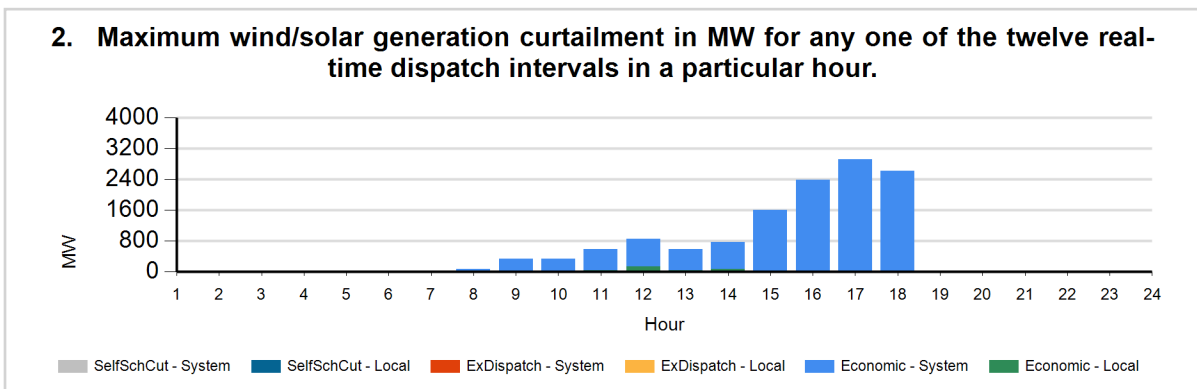
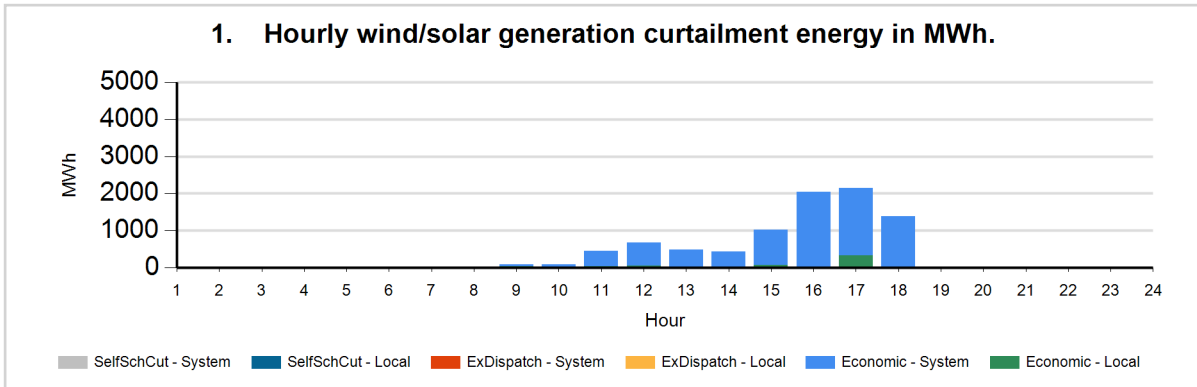
¹Only wind and solar resources can be reported in this manner because these resources have a forecast. Curtailment is defined as the difference between actual production and the forecast when actual production is less than the forecast.

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

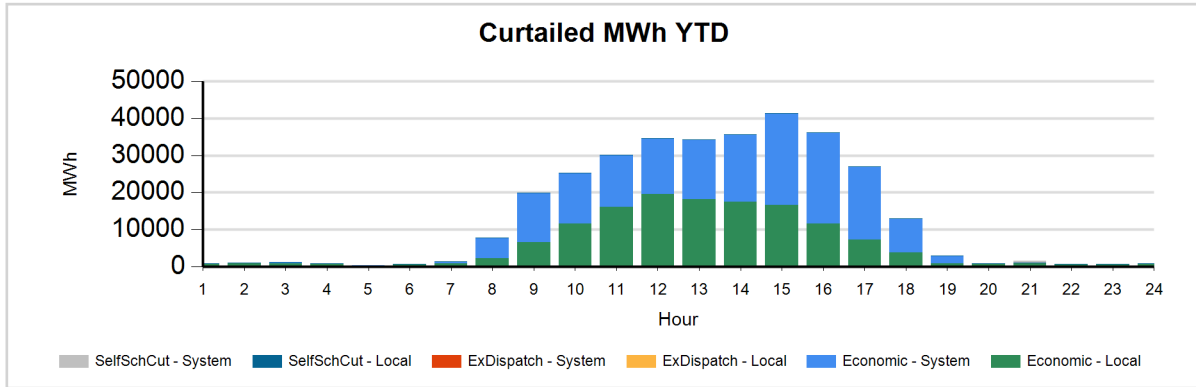
³Congestion occurs when available, least-cost energy cannot be delivered to some loads because transmission facilities do not have sufficient capacity to deliver the energy.

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

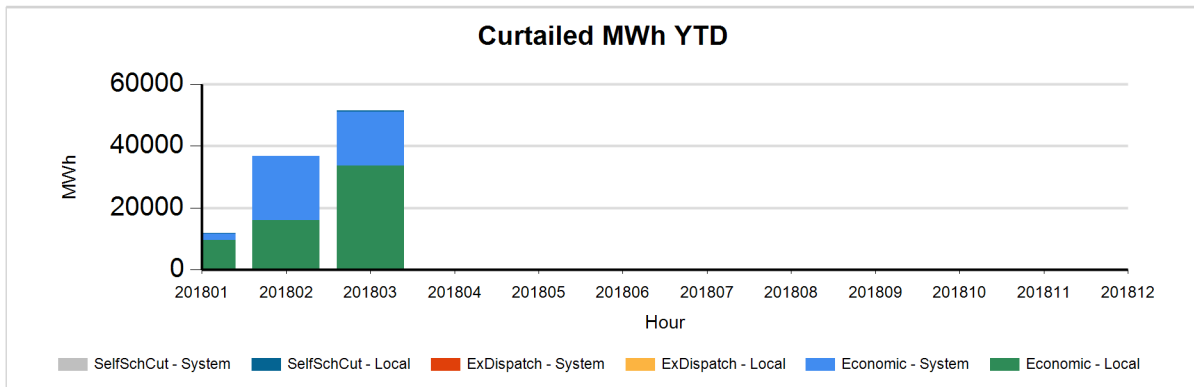
The following charts show the daily and 7-day rolling wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



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	140,589
LocalSelfSchCut	1,370
SystemEconomic	175,893
SystemSelfSchCut	493
TOTAL	100,102

Data used to produce hourly chart

DATE	HOUR	CURT TYPE	REASON	FUEL TYPE	CURTAILED MWH	CURTAILED MW
03/23	8	Economic	System	SOLR	11	61
03/23	9	Economic	System	SOLR	55	337
03/23	10	Economic	Local	SOLR	10	6
03/23	10	Economic	System	SOLR	78	322
03/23	10	Economic	System	WIND	2	12
03/23	11	Economic	Local	SOLR	28	28
03/23	11	Economic	System	SOLR	412	554
03/23	11	Economic	System	WIND	2	6
03/23	12	Economic	Local	SOLR	47	140
03/23	12	Economic	System	SOLR	619	708
03/23	13	Economic	Local	SOLR	9	24
03/23	13	Economic	System	SOLR	475	549
03/23	13	Economic	System	WIND	1	2
03/23	14	Economic	Local	SOLR	16	73
03/23	14	Economic	System	SOLR	407	676
03/23	14	Economic	System	WIND	2	9
03/23	15	Economic	System	SOLR	938	1520
03/23	15	Economic	System	WIND	17	73
03/23	16	Economic	System	SOLR	2002	2349
03/23	16	Economic	System	WIND	35	31
03/23	17	Economic	System	SOLR	1798	2890
03/23	17	Economic	System	WIND	27	30
03/23	18	Economic	System	SOLR	1322	2497
03/23	18	Economic	System	WIND	65	129

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