

Wind and Solar Curtailment May 15, 2020

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.

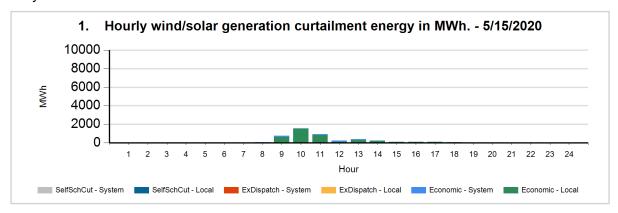
²The Renewables Watch report provides daily actual renewable production within the ISO grid. It is available at: http://www.caiso.com/green/renewableswatch.html.

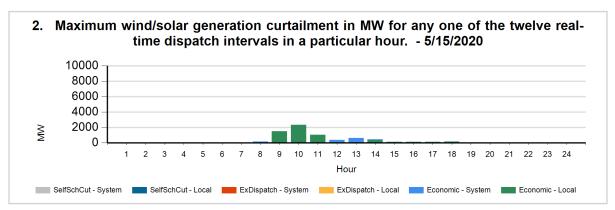
³Congestion occurs when available, least-cost energy cannot be delivered to some loads because transmission facilities do not have sufficient capacity to deliver the energy.

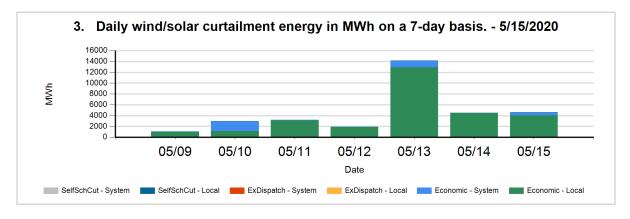
For more information on oversupply conditions, please see: https://www.caiso.com/Documents/FlexibleResourcesHelpRenewables FastFacts.pdf

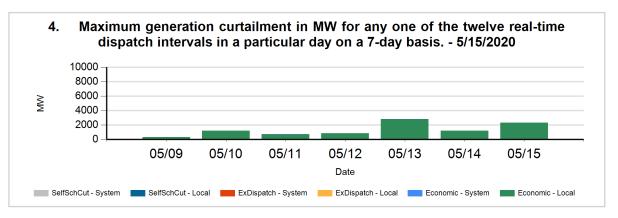


The following charts show the daily and 7-day wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



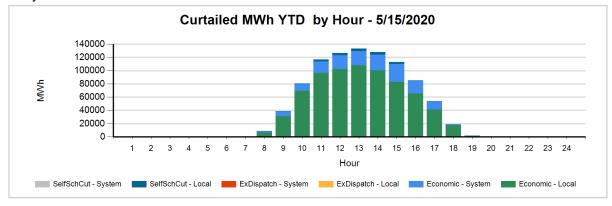




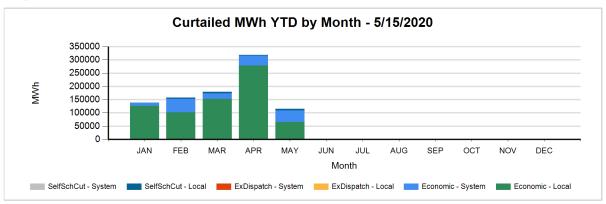




The following charts show hourly year to date wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



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



TYPE	YTD CURTAILED MWH - 5/15/2020
LocalEconomic	724,276
LocalSelfSchCut	19,452
SystemEconomic	163,724
TOTAL	907,452



Data used to produce hourly chart

DATE	HOU R	CURT TYPE	REASON	FUEL TYPE	CURTAILED MWH	CURTAILED MW
05/15	7	Economic	Local	SOLR	13	27
05/15	7	Economic	System	SOLR	4	22
05/15	8	Economic	Local	SOLR	48	56
05/15	8	Economic	System	SOLR	22	89
05/15	8	Economic	System	WIND	4	22
05/15	9	Economic	Local	SOLR	619	1472
05/15	9	Economic	Local	WIND	6	13
05/15	9	Economic	System	SOLR	122	
05/15	9	Economic	System	WIND	22	
05/15	10	Economic	Local	SOLR	1523	2302
05/15	10	Economic	Local	WIND	9	13
05/15	10	Economic	System	SOLR	17	
05/15	10	Economic	System	WIND	7	
05/15	11	Economic	Local	SOLR	804	1035
05/15	11	Economic	Local	WIND	8	8
05/15	11	Economic	System	SOLR	104	
05/15	11	Economic	System	WIND	5	
05/15	12	Economic	Local	SOLR	101	85
05/15	12	Economic	System	SOLR	149	287
05/15	12	Economic	System	WIND	2	5
05/15	13	Economic	Local	SOLR	285	91
05/15	13	Economic	System	SOLR	93	523
05/15	13	Economic	System	WIND	4	13
05/15	13	SelfSchCut	Local	SOLR	3	
05/15	14	Economic	Local	SOLR	202	319
05/15	14	Economic	Local	WIND	0	3
05/15	14	Economic	System	SOLR	45	113
05/15	14	Economic	System	WIND	2	4
05/15	15	Economic	Local	SOLR	113	125
05/15	16	Economic	Local	SOLR	100	111
05/15	17	Economic	Local	SOLR	106	116



05/15	18	Economic	Local	SOLR	73	149
05/15	19	Economic	Local	SOLR	17	41
05/15	19	Economic	System	SOLR	5	
05/15	20	Economic	Local	SOLR	10	37
05/15	20	Economic	System	SOLR	1	

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