

## Wind and Solar Curtailment March 27, 2017

This report is produced daily to provide a detailed accounting of the wind and solar renewable generation that was curtailed and the reasons why<sup>1</sup>. This report should be read in the context of the Renewables Watch report for a more complete understanding of both renewable curtailment and generation<sup>2</sup>.

Wind and solar curtailments are grouped into the following categories:

1. Economic - Local: Market dispatch of generators with economic bids to mitigate local congestion<sup>3</sup>.
2. Economic - System: Market dispatch of generators with economic bids to mitigate system-wide oversupply<sup>4</sup>.
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.

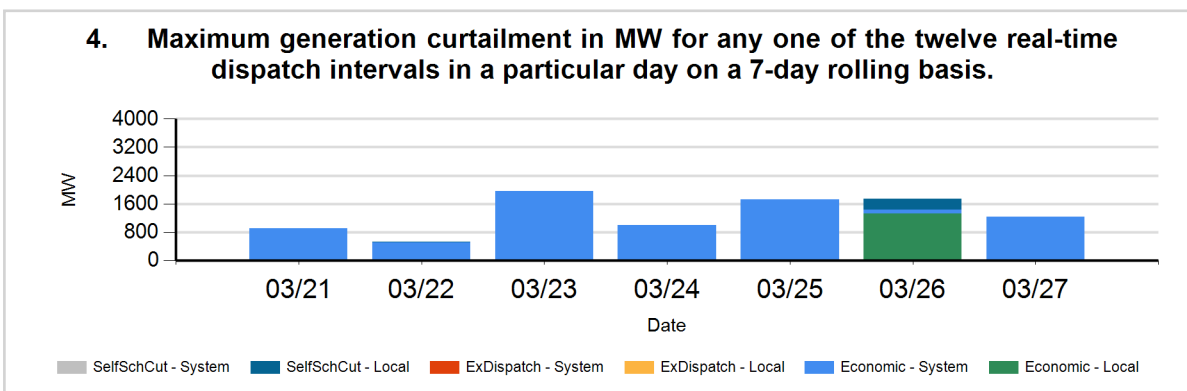
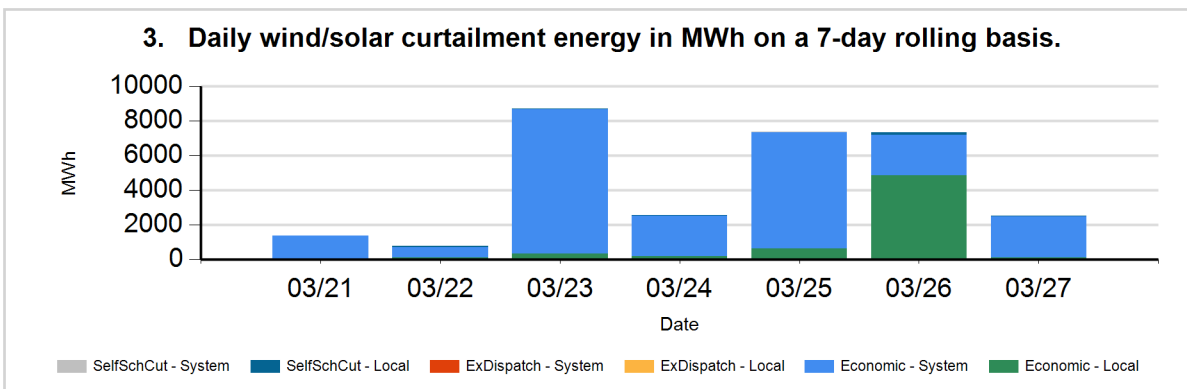
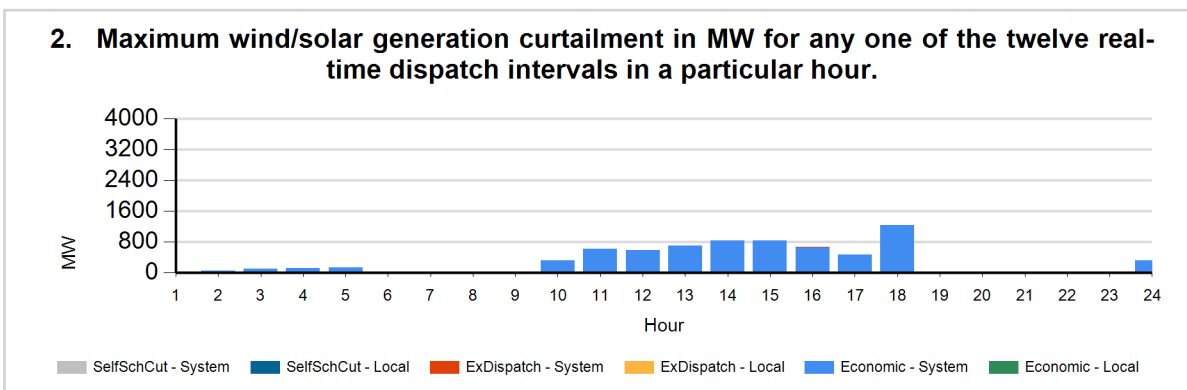
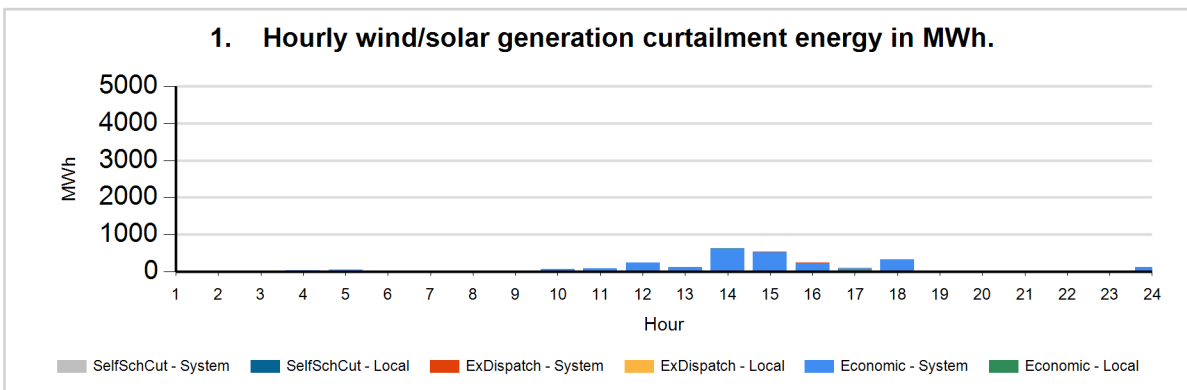
<sup>1</sup>Only wind and solar resources can be reported in this manner because these resources have a forecast. Curtailment is defined as the difference between actual production and the forecast when actual production is less than the forecast.

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

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

<sup>4</sup>For more information on oversupply conditions, please see: [https://www.caiso.com/Documents/FlexibleResourcesHelpRenewables\\_FastFacts.pdf](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
03/27	1	Economic	System	WIND	1	16
03/27	2	Economic	System	WIND	5	56
03/27	3	Economic	System	WIND	20	92
03/27	4	Economic	System	WIND	33	117
03/27	5	Economic	System	WIND	45	130
03/27	9	Economic	Local	SOLR	2	
03/27	9	Economic	System	SOLR	2	11
03/27	10	Economic	Local	SOLR	11	
03/27	10	Economic	Local	WIND	7	
03/27	10	Economic	System	SOLR	25	215
03/27	10	Economic	System	WIND	22	92
03/27	11	Economic	Local	SOLR	4	
03/27	11	Economic	System	SOLR	59	536
03/27	11	Economic	System	WIND	26	80
03/27	12	Economic	System	SOLR	179	520
03/27	12	Economic	System	WIND	54	70
03/27	13	Economic	Local	SOLR	5	0
03/27	13	Economic	System	SOLR	84	621
03/27	13	Economic	System	WIND	28	81
03/27	14	Economic	Local	SOLR	14	11
03/27	14	Economic	System	SOLR	519	738
03/27	14	Economic	System	WIND	79	82
03/27	14	SelfSchCut	Local	SOLR	1	
03/27	15	Economic	Local	SOLR	3	14
03/27	15	Economic	System	SOLR	443	729
03/27	15	Economic	System	WIND	81	82
03/27	15	ExDispatch	Local	SOLR	2	
03/27	15	ExDispatch	System	SOLR	3	
03/27	16	Economic	Local	SOLR	19	

03/27	16	Economic	System	SOLR	167	579
03/27	16	Economic	System	WIND	40	72
03/27	16	ExDispatch	Local	SOLR	6	
03/27	16	ExDispatch	System	SOLR	4	8
03/27	17	Economic	Local	SOLR	28	
03/27	17	Economic	Local	WIND	6	
03/27	17	Economic	System	SOLR	39	381
03/27	17	Economic	System	WIND	20	80
03/27	17	ExDispatch	Local	SOLR	1	
03/27	18	Economic	Local	SOLR	1	
03/27	18	Economic	System	SOLR	283	1101
03/27	18	Economic	System	WIND	38	126
03/27	24	Economic	System	WIND	122	323

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