

Wind and Solar Curtailment March 17, 2025

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.

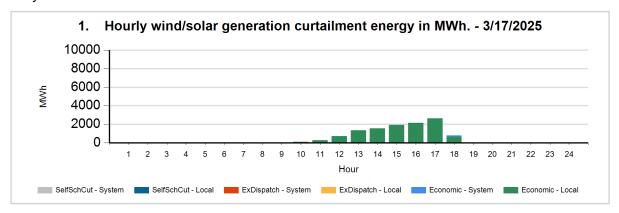
²The Renewables Watch report provides daily actual renewable production within the ISO grid. It is available at: http://www.caiso.com/green/renewableswatch.html.

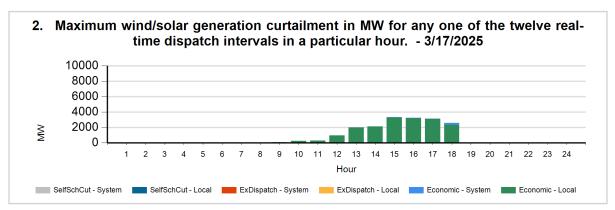
³Congestion occurs when available, least-cost energy cannot be delivered to some loads because transmission facilities do not have sufficient capacity to deliver the energy.

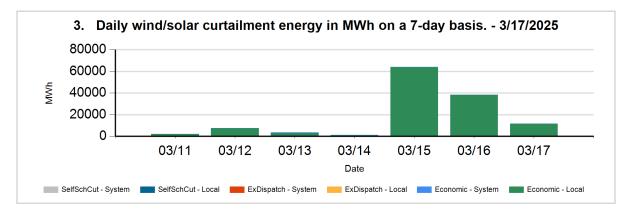
⁴For more information on oversupply conditions, please see: https://www.caiso.com/Documents/FlexibleResourcesHelpRenewables FastFacts.pdf

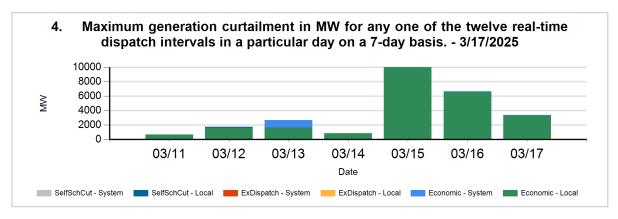


The following charts show the daily and 7-day wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



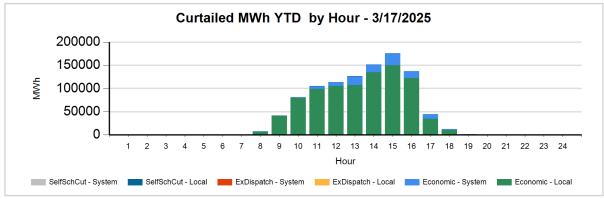




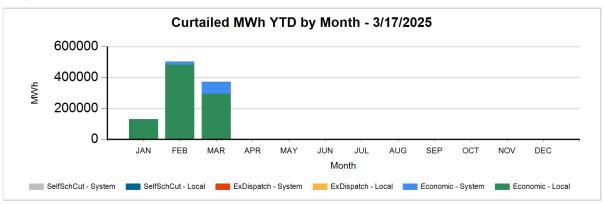




The following charts show hourly year to date wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



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



TYPE	YTD CURTAILED MWH - 3/17/2025
LocalEconomic	901,505
LocalSelfSchCut	125
SystemEconomic	103,439
TOTAL	1,005,069



Data used to produce hourly chart

DATE	HOU R	CURT TYPE	REASON	FUEL TYPE	CURTAILED MWH	CURTAILED MW
03/17	9	Economic	Local	SOLR	15	90
03/17	10	Economic	Local	SOLR	90	255
03/17	11	Economic	Local	SOLR	278	307
03/17	12	Economic	Local	SOLR	604	813
03/17	12	Economic	Local	WIND	98	129
03/17	12	Economic	System	SOLR	5	
03/17	13	Economic	Local	SOLR	1081	1685
03/17	13	Economic	Local	WIND	265	304
03/17	14	Economic	Local	SOLR	1282	1686
03/17	14	Economic	Local	WIND	268	445
03/17	15	Economic	Local	SOLR	1580	2776
03/17	15	Economic	Local	WIND	365	542
03/17	15	Economic	System	SOLR	4	30
03/17	16	Economic	Local	SOLR	1837	2682
03/17	16	Economic	Local	WIND	307	533
03/17	16	Economic	System	SOLR	4	39
03/17	16	SelfSchCut	Local	SOLR	2	
03/17	17	Economic	Local	SOLR	2176	2666
03/17	17	Economic	Local	WIND	433	454
03/17	17	SelfSchCut	Local	SOLR	1	5
03/17	18	Economic	Local	SOLR	504	1887
03/17	18	Economic	Local	WIND	154	430
03/17	18	Economic	System	SOLR	116	215
03/17	18	Economic	System	WIND	34	49

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