

Wind and Solar Curtailment April 25, 2017

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.

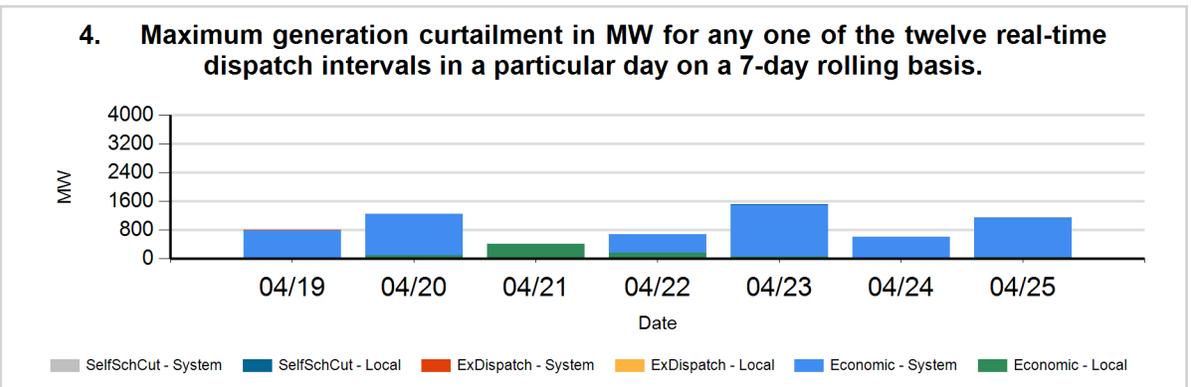
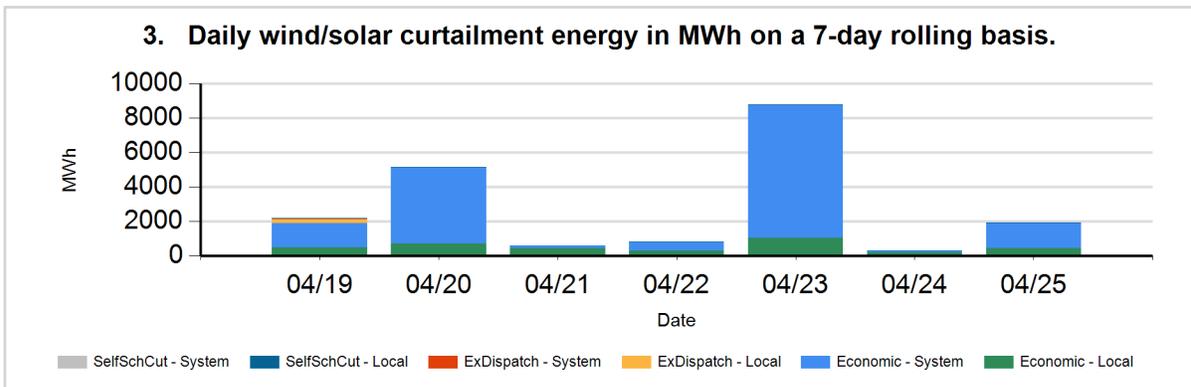
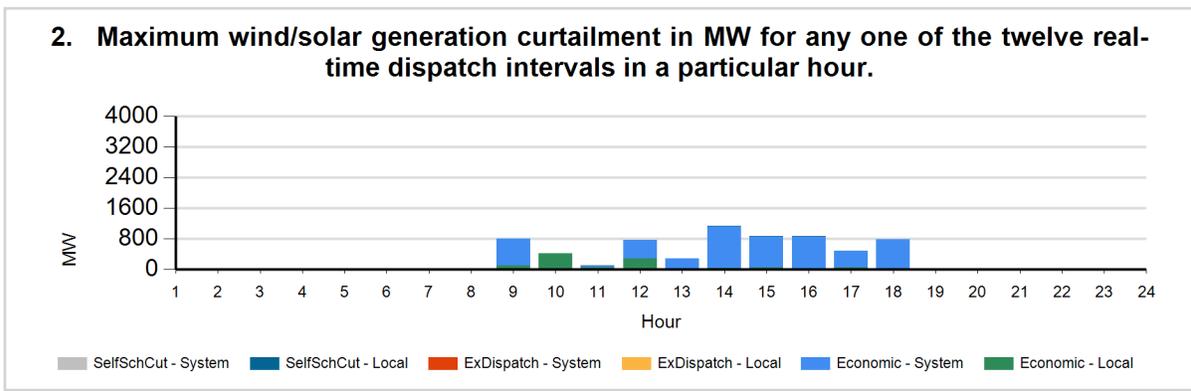
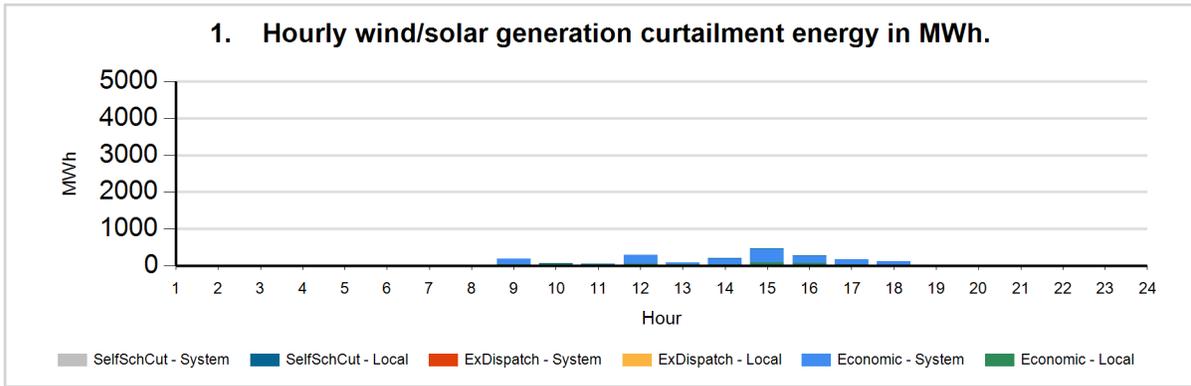
¹Only wind and solar resources can be reported in this manner because these resources have a forecast. Curtailment is defined as the difference between actual production and the forecast when actual production is less than the forecast.

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

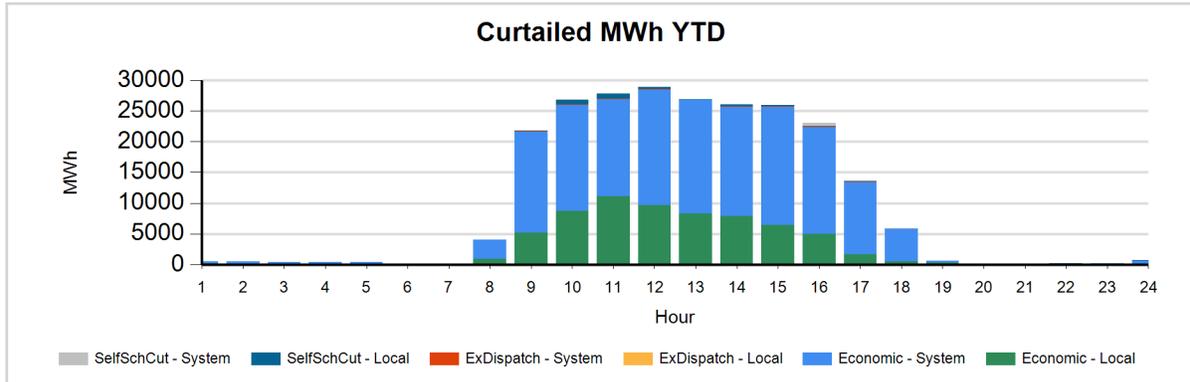
³Congestion occurs when available, least-cost energy cannot be delivered to some loads because transmission facilities do not have sufficient capacity to deliver the energy.

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

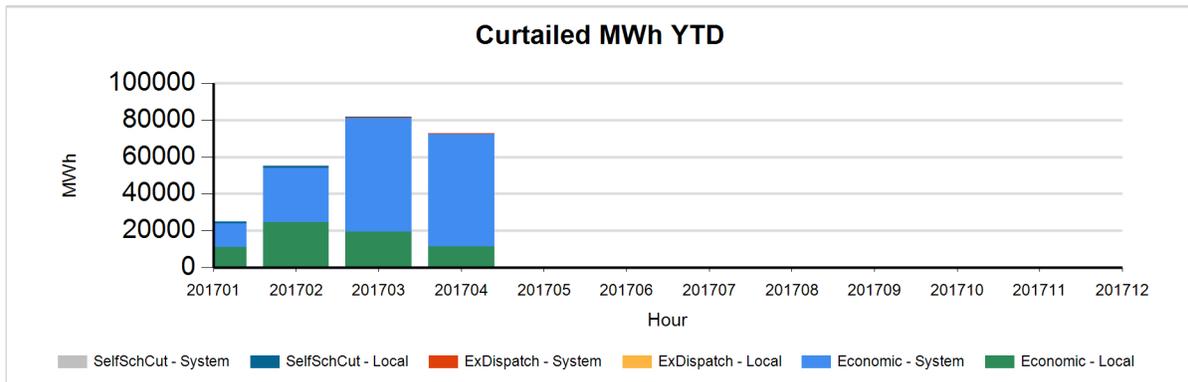
The following charts show the daily and 7-day rolling wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.



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	66,413
LocalExDispatch	272
LocalSelfSchCut	2,874
SystemEconomic	164,837
SystemExDispatch	74
SystemSelfSchCut	550
TOTAL	235,021

Data used to produce hourly chart

DATE	HOUR	CURT TYPE	REASON	FUEL TYPE	CURTAILED MWH	CURTAILED MW
04/25	8	Economic	Local	SOLR	1	
04/25	8	Economic	System	SOLR	1	6
04/25	9	Economic	Local	SOLR	26	96
04/25	9	Economic	System	SOLR	158	684
04/25	9	Economic	System	WIND	3	13
04/25	10	Economic	Local	SOLR	61	401
04/25	10	Economic	Local	WIND	1	11
04/25	10	Economic	System	SOLR	7	
04/25	10	SelfSchCut	Local	WIND	2	
04/25	11	Economic	Local	SOLR	16	6
04/25	11	Economic	Local	WIND	18	45
04/25	11	Economic	System	SOLR	10	34
04/25	11	SelfSchCut	Local	SOLR	0	1
04/25	11	SelfSchCut	Local	WIND	6	12
04/25	12	Economic	Local	SOLR	54	277
04/25	12	Economic	Local	WIND	4	
04/25	12	Economic	System	SOLR	223	474
04/25	12	Economic	System	WIND	6	15
04/25	13	Economic	Local	SOLR	29	12
04/25	13	Economic	System	SOLR	52	244
04/25	13	Economic	System	WIND	5	19
04/25	14	Economic	Local	SOLR	41	35
04/25	14	Economic	System	SOLR	159	1056
04/25	14	Economic	System	WIND	4	28
04/25	14	SelfSchCut	Local	SOLR	5	8
04/25	15	Economic	Local	SOLR	80	54
04/25	15	Economic	Local	WIND	1	
04/25	15	Economic	System	SOLR	359	795
04/25	15	Economic	System	WIND	13	8
04/25	15	SelfSchCut	Local	SOLR	5	3
04/25	16	Economic	Local	SOLR	59	17

04/25	16	Economic	Local	WIND	4	
04/25	16	Economic	System	SOLR	205	844
04/25	16	Economic	System	WIND	10	6
04/25	16	SelfSchCut	Local	SOLR	3	5
04/25	17	Economic	Local	SOLR	37	42
04/25	17	Economic	System	SOLR	116	433
04/25	17	Economic	System	WIND	12	3
04/25	18	Economic	Local	SOLR	12	23
04/25	18	Economic	System	SOLR	100	689
04/25	18	Economic	System	WIND	11	65
04/25	24	Economic	System	WIND	0	4

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