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The Independent Market Operator has an obligation to secure through the Reserve Capacity Mechanism (RCM) sufficient capacity (generation and Demand Side Management) to meet the maximum load demands of the Western Australian Wholesale Electricity Market.

LoadWatch Summer 13 provides a weekly snapshot of the level of available capacity and electrical load for last week. It also provides forecast temperatures and load for this week and a look back to Summer 12.

Last Week

Total Capacity (MW) (note 1)
Outages (MW) (note 2)
Available Capacity (MW)

Max Temp (°C) Min Temp (°C)

Max Load (MW) (note 3)
Capacity Cushion (MW)

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
28 Jan 13	29 Jan 13	30 Jan 13	31 Jan 13	01 Feb 13
5996	5996	5996	5996	5996
424	424	230	294	416
5572	5572	5766	5702	5580
32.5	32.7	32.3	34.9	36.1
16.8	17.8	16.8	17.2	17.3
2590	2826	2965	3056	3212
2982	2746	2801	2646	2368
54%	49%	49%	46%	42%

During the week the Capacity Cushion dipped to a minimum of 42%.

(Note 1) 'Total Capacity' is total capacity procured by the IMO with various adjustments.

(Note 2) Outages are current as at the time of publication and may be subject to change.

(Note 3) Operational Load being the total loss adjusted generator sent out energy.

This Week

Max Temp (°C) Min Temp (°C)

Forecast Max Load (MW)

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Г	04 Feb 13	05 Feb 13	06 Feb 13	07 Feb 13	08 Feb 13
	29.6	31	31	32	34
	20.1	18.7	20	17	19
	2616	2917	2789	3004	3048

Look Back: Summer 12

Max Temp (°C)
Min Temp (°C)
Forecast Max Loa

Forecast Max Load (MW) Actual Max Load (MW)

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
06 Feb 12	07 Feb 12	08 Feb 12	09 Feb 12	10 Feb 12
30.0	34.5	35.2	36.6	40.1
15.5	17.7	18.8	19.8	23.7
2656	3022	3045	3106	3286
2553	3045	3260	3410	3463