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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.

Load Watch: Summer 10: provides a weekly snapshot of the level of available capacity and electrical load last week. It also provides forecast temperatures and load for next week and a look back to Summer 09.

Last Week

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri 25 Jan 10 26 Jan 10 27 Jan 10 28 Jan 10 29 Jan 10 Total Capacity (note1) 5096 5096 5096 5096 5096 Outages (note 2) 573 573 421 421 73 **Available Capacity (MW)** 4523 4523 4675 4675 5023 Max Temp (°C) 30 33 34 36 39 **Min Temp** 21 20 20 20 20 Max Load (note 3) 2846 2589 3252 3328 3503 **Capacity Cushion** 1677 1934 1423 1347 1520 37% 43% 30% 29% 30%

Last Week: Last week saw the capacity cushion drop to 29% on Thursday.

(Note 1) 'Total Capacity' is total capacity procured by the IMO with various adjustments (40MW).

(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

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	01 Feb 10	02 Feb 10	03 Feb 10	04 Feb 10	05 Feb 10
Max Temperature	35	29	26	29	34
Min Temperature	17	18	16	14	22
Forecast Max Load (MW	3099	2802	2476	2513	2869

LookBack: Summer 09

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	02 Feb 09	03 Feb 09	04 Feb 09	05 Feb 09	06 Feb 09
Max Temperature	35	38	34	35	35
Min Temperature	18	21	22	19	22
Forecast Max Load (MW	3526	3156	2752	2630	2313

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