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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
	01 Feb 10	02 Feb 10	03 Feb 10	04 Feb 10	05 Feb 10
Total Capacity (note1)	5096	5096	5096	5096	5096
Outages (note 2)	50	332	148	160	110
Available Capacity (MW)	5046	4764	4948	4936	4986
Max Temp (°C)	32	27	26	28	33
Min Temp	17	17	13	14	12
Max Load (note 3)	2892	2588	2308	2322	2578
Capacity Cushion	2153	2176	2640	2614	2409
	43%	46%	53%	53%	48%

Last Week: The Capacity Cushion exceeded 40% for the entire week.

(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
	08 Feb 10	09 Feb 10	10 Feb 10	11 Feb 10	12 Feb 10
Max Temperature	31	31	30	31	32
Min Temperature	18	18	17	19	18
Forecast Max Load (MW	2733	2893	2769	2918	2867

LookBack: Summer 09

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	09 Feb 09	10 Feb 09	11 Feb 09	12 Feb 09	13 Feb 09
Max Temperature	35	38	34	35	35
Min Temperature	18	21	22	19	22
Forecast Max Load (MW	2958	3222	3536	3190	2606

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