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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

Total Capacity (note1)
Outages (note 2)
Available Capacity (MW)

Max Temp (°C) Min Temp

Max Load (MW) (note 3)
Capacity Cushion

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
15 Mar 10	16 Mar 10	17 Mar 10	18 Mar 10	19 Mar 10
5096	5096	5096	5096	5096
543	602	526	510	510
4553	4494	4570	4586	4586
27	25	28	27	24
20	18	14	14	16
2588	2247	2312	2234	2139
1965	2247	2258	2352	2446
43%	50%	49%	51%	53%

Last Week: Last week saw the capacity cushion range between 43% and 53%.

(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

Max Temperature
Min Temperature
Forecast Max Load (MW)

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
22 Mar 10	23 Mar 10	24 Mar 10	25 Mar 10	26 Mar 10
30	33	29	30	31
22	20	19	18	18
2790	2958	2741	2682	2672

Look Back: Summer 09

Max Temperature
Min Temperature
Forecast Max Load (MW)
Actual Max Load (MW)

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
23 Mar 09	24 Mar 09	25 Mar 09	26 Mar 09	27 Mar 09
37	31	29	30	25
22	21	20	17	16
2301	2211	2416	2553	2792
2210	2225	2226	2507	2735

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