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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 2014 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 2013.

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
10 Feb 14	11 Feb 14	12 Feb 14	13 Feb 14	14 Feb 14
6087	6087	6087	6087	6087
142	319	516	521	240
5945	5768	5571	5566	5847
29.2	33.3	34.2	34.6	32.3
18.2	17.6	20.2	20.5	19.6
2707	3078	3323	3313	3122
3239	2689	2249	2253	2725
54%	47%	40%	40%	47%

During the week the Capacity Cushion dipped to a minimum of 40%.

- (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 (M)

Forecast Max Load (MW)

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
17 Feb 14	18 Feb 14	19 Feb 14	20 Feb 14	21 Feb 14
33.4	34.6	37.0	36.0	36.0
18.4	20.8	24.1	23.0	22.0
2977	3095	3525	3574	3547

Look Back: Summer 13

Max Temp (°C)
Min Temp (°C)
Forecast Max Load (MW)
Actual Max Load (MW)

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
18 Feb 13	19 Feb 13	20 Feb 13	21 Feb 13	22 Feb 13
29.8	34.7	40.1	40.5	26.7
14.6	16.4	21.1	25.2	23.0
2321	2787	3267	3008	2267
2524	2943	3672	3694	2810