



31 December 2012

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
24 Dec 12	25 Dec 12	26 Dec 12	27 Dec 12	28 Dec 12
5996	5996	5996	5996	5996
231	222	231	231	231
5765	5775	5765	5765	5765
32.7	39.6	37.5	38.3	39.3
17.3	19.0	23.0	20.2	24.3
2585	2612	2897	3361	3359
3179	3163	2867	2403	2406
55%	55%	50%	42%	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
31 Dec 12	01 Jan 13	02 Jan 13	03 Jan 13	04 Jan 13
40	34	27	25	28
22.1	24.1	20.2	18	16
3484	3000	3118	2492	2559

Look Back: Summer 12

Max Temp (°C)
Min Temp (°C)

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

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
02 Jan 12	03 Jan 12	04 Jan 12	05 Jan 12	06 Jan 12
30.3	33.0	35.0	27.8	25.1
18.1	18.2	16.3	19.8	20.7
2202	2600	2650	2426	2025
2223	2703	2931	2694	2309