





25 January 2021

AEMO 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 2021 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 2020

Last Week

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	18 Jan 21	19 Jan 21	20 Jan 21	21 Jan 21	22 Jan 21
Total Capacity (MW) #1	4966	4966	4966	4966	4966
Outages (MW) #2	235	235	75	199	194
Available Capacity (MW)	4731	4731	4891	4767	4771
Max Temp (°C)	34.5	36.6	30.1	34.8	36.5
Min Temp (°C)	22.4	22.6	22.3	22.7	20.0
Max Load (MW) #3	3405	3551	3360	3476	3292
Capacity Cushion (MW)	1325	1180	1531	1291	1479
	28%	25%	31%	27%	31%

During the week the Capacity Cushion dipped to a minimum of 25%.

- #1 'Total Capacity' is total capacity procured by AEMO with various adjustments.
- #2 Outages are current as at the time of publication and may be subject to change.
- #3 Operational Load being the total loss adjusted generator sent out energy.

This Week

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	25 Jan 21	26 Jan 21	27 Jan 21	28 Jan 21	29 Jan 21
Max Temp (°C)	27.0	27.0	25.0	31.0	33.0
Min Temp (°C)	15.0	15.0	14.0	17.0	18.0
Forecast Max Load (MW)	2674	2314	2573	2841	3071

Look Back: LoadWatch Summer 2020

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	27 Jan 20	28 Jan 20	29 Jan 20	30 Jan 20	31 Jan 20
Max Temp (°C)	39.9	35.2	27.2	23.9	24.2
Min Temp (°C)	22.6	19.6	18.8	18.6	12.9
Forecast Max Load (MW)	3207	3072	2548	2300	2283
Actual Max Load (MW)	3429	3257	2619	2361	2277

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