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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
	01 Mar 21	02 Mar 21	03 Mar 21	04 Mar 21	05 Mar 21
Total Capacity (MW) ^{#1}	4966	4966	4966	4966	4966
Outages (MW) #2	220	83	111	131	131
Available Capacity (MW)	4745	4882	4855	4835	4835
Max Temp (°C)	22.9	30.6	28.4	27.3	26.7
Min Temp (°C)	16.7	17.0	20.1	20.8	20.1
Max Load (MW) ^{#3}	2354	2795	2647	2647	2558
Capacity Cushion (MW)	2392	2087	2208	2187	2276
	50%	43%	45%	45%	47%

During the week the Capacity Cushion dipped to a minimum of 43%.

- #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
	08 Mar 21	09 Mar 21	10 Mar 21	11 Mar 21	12 Mar 21
Max Temp (°C)	30.0	33.0	31.0	27.0	27.0
Min Temp (°C)	19.0	20.0	21.0	20.0	19.0
Forecast Max Load (MW)	2764	2855	2815	2840	2529

Look Back: LoadWatch Summer 2020

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	09 Mar 20	10 Mar 20	11 Mar 20	12 Mar 20	13 Mar 20
Max Temp (°C)	35.3	35.1	35.1	30.0	32.8
Min Temp (°C)	21.9	19.9	19.2	18.1	18.9
Forecast Max Load (MW)	3094	3070	2931	2549	2494
Actual Max Load (MW)	3106	3015	2902	2593	2703

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