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24 June 2026

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Focus Topics

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Today

- 24th June
  - May Balancing Costs

Future

- 15th July
  - PLEXOS Year-Ahead Constraint Cost Forecast
- 22nd July
  - June Balancing Costs

If you have questions/suggestions of areas to cover during above presentations or ideas for focus topics you would like us to consider, please send them to us at: box.nc.customer@neso.energy

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Dynamic Containment (DC) requirements

Rationale for the change

- Recent analysis has identified increasing instances of unexpected MW movements, which are driving system frequency outside NESO's operational range of 49.8–50.2 Hz.
- These events can introduce additional operational risk.
- As a result, NESO will be increasing DC requirements, aimed at improving steady-state frequency control, in the short term while further investigation into the root cause continues.

What has been implemented?

- NESO has increased the DC procurement requirements by approximately **200 - 400** MW.
  - We will start procuring this on 17th June 2026 through the EAC auction platform.

What is next?

- NESO will continue to monitor the scale and frequency of these changes and assess their impact on system performance.
- The DC requirement may be further updated to ensure system security and compliance with operational standards based on this ongoing assessment.

NESO – Constraints Collaboration Project Webinar

Date: 25 June 2026

Time: 9:30am – 11:00am

We are pleased to invite you to NESO's upcoming Q2 Constraints Collaboration Project Webinar on Thursday, 25 June at 9:30 AM. This session will cover,

- An update on the Boundary Flow Smoothing project - please note that the early feedback window for the Boundary Flow Smoothing Feasibility Report was open until 19 June.
- An overview of the repetitive trading for storage behind constraints workstream.
- An update on the short-term Constraint Management Market.
- A walkthrough of the Constraint Management Action Plan in the Reformed National Pricing (RNP) Delivery Plan.

We'll offer opportunities for you to ask questions and provide feedback during a Q&A session.

The webinar invite can be found **here** or scan the QR code.

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Clarification on GC0166 changes to reserve services – impacting electricity storage assets

With the Grid Code changes under Introducing new Balancing Mechanism Parameters for Limited Duration Assets taking effect from 25 June 2026, we want to explain how those changes will be reflected in NESO's performance monitoring of reserve ancillary services - Quick Reserve, Slow Reserve and Balancing Reserve.

The changes will introduce new parameters for how Limited Duration BMUs declare their state of charge and remove the historical '30-minute MEL rule'.

As providers transition to the new requirements, we will monitor whether Limited Duration BMUs have submitted and updated (as required) their MDO and MDB as part of their dynamic parameters and that the BMU has the capability to deliver their contracted energy, relative to their associated Physical Notification.

For further guidance on the GC0166 requirements contact OBP_EDT.EDL@neso.energy
For performance monitoring of reserve services contact commercial.operation@neso.energy

MDO / MDB – Maximum Deliverable Offer / Bid

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An update on Linked Windows in Slow Reserve

- Linked windows remain an important operational control while we continue to adapt processes following the transition from STOR to Slow Reserve. They help ensure reserve requirements, provider locations and network constraints are considered together when preparing operational plans.

- In previous communications, we highlighted that relaxing of the linked windows would not be before the end of June 2026. While planned system and process changes are intended to improve through more accurate unit-level modelling, these capabilities have not yet been fully embedded and proven. Removing linked windows before then would reduce operational visibility and could introduce risk, rather than simply simplifying the service.

- As a result, we are still not able to remove the linked windows. We are continuing to assess the path to achieving fully flexible service windows in Slow Reserve. We will keep industry updated with this progress.

STOR – Short Term Operating Reserve

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Early view of winter 2026/27 and Winter review

We've published our **Early View of Winter Outlook** giving an initial picture of how Great Britain's electricity system is expected to perform this coming winter.

This early view also sits alongside our **winter review** which compares our forecasts for winter 2025/26 to what actually occurred. National Gas have also published a review of winter.

Link to the reports:

- Early view of winter 2026/27 | National Energy System Operator
- Winter Review and Consultation 2025/26

Future Event Summary

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Event	Date & Time	Link
Constraints Collaboration Project Webinar	25 June (09:30-11:00)	Register here
NESO Markets, Balancing and Dispatch Summer System Update - Glasgow	2 July (09:00 – 17:30)	Register for Glasgow here
Reserve & Response: Request for Information	Close date: 3 July	Locational Procurement Market Design Reserve Reform RFI MFR and DR Reform
South West Reactive Power 2026 Consultation	Close date: 10 July	Response Form here

Check out the NESO Events Calendar for more...

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12th June Operational Example

We know that industry have appreciated additional narrative around complex operational conditions so we have prepared a short summary of a shift from a Friday 2 weeks ago to help show what is happening. We will list specifics but please bear in mind that this is a single historical example and no deductions should be drawn about the current availability of any unit based on this.

At the start of shift up to 4800MW of wind bids were active required to resolve constraints and also for energy reasons going into the minimum demand trough.

18 generating units were planned for running to manage voltages in areas of the network and to replace energy taken out of the system for constraint reasons. The minimum output of these units was just over 3500MW.

There were 9 active constraints requiring planning and management.

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12th June Operational Example

At 14:00, national demand dropped sharply by approximately 800MW before it continued gradually dropping down to a minimum of 16470MW at 16:00. This resulted in further wind bids for energy as well as 300MW of solar BMU bids.

As demand increased approximately 5GW of wind bids remained for constraint reasons, with approximately another 2GW of constraint action on other units.

At 18:24 Keadby 2 tripped from 802MW

At approximately 18:45 a short-term reduction in constraint limit was agreed to facilitate a network change that would lead to increased limits. This required a further ~1000MW of constraint action.

At 19:00 National demand increased by approximately 2GW over ~5 minutes. Offers were sent across all additional machines, batteries and 1000MW of smaller units were sychronised.

At 19:30 IFA 2 redeclared from 900MW to zero from 19:55.

Unconstrained Slow reserve units at Killingholme and Peterborough were dispatched

At this point approximately 8GW of bids and 8GW of offers were being taken in the BM, redispatching ~16GW in total.

With demand continuing to rise the network change was cancelled, with some wind bids unwound to recover energy.

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Monthly Balancing Cost Update

May 2026

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Monthly Cost Summary

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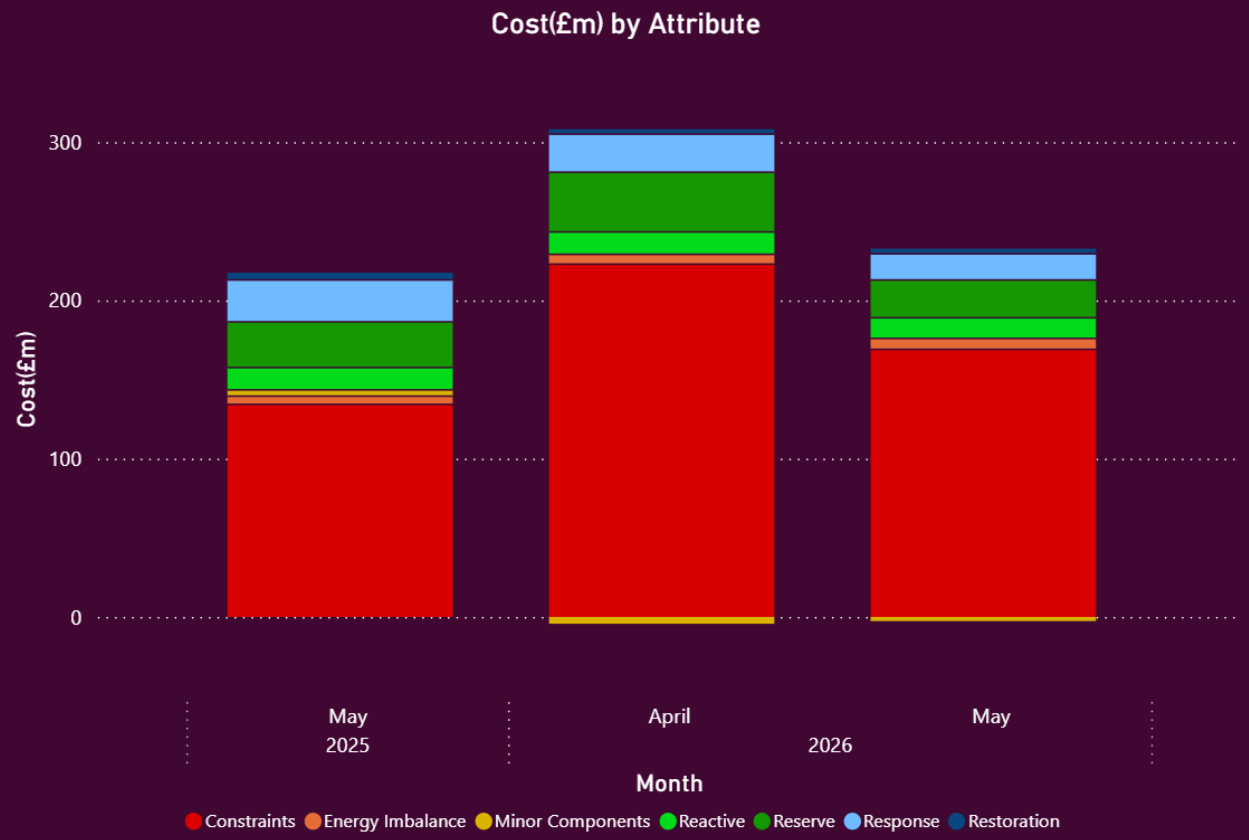
Balancing costs in May 2026 were £230m.

This was a decrease of £74m on last month and an increase of £13m from May last year.

Reduced wind outturn has been the most impactful driver for a drop in balancing costs from last month.

With lower demand levels and therefore less self-dispatch in the wholesale market, voltage and inertia costs have increased from April.

Non-constraint costs have decreased by £20m with reserve spending contributing the most of that decrease.



Voltage: £11.9m ↑ **Thermal: £67.5m ↓** **Inertia: £200k ↑**

The figures represent the monthly costs; the arrows indicate the change compared to the previous month.

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System Conditions

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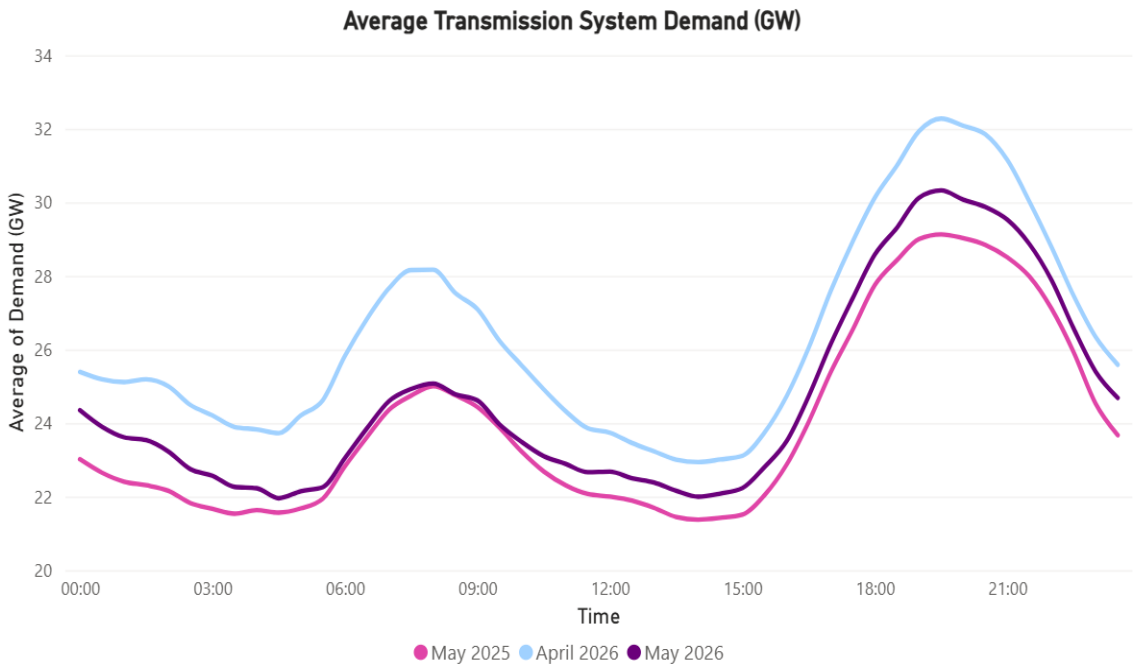

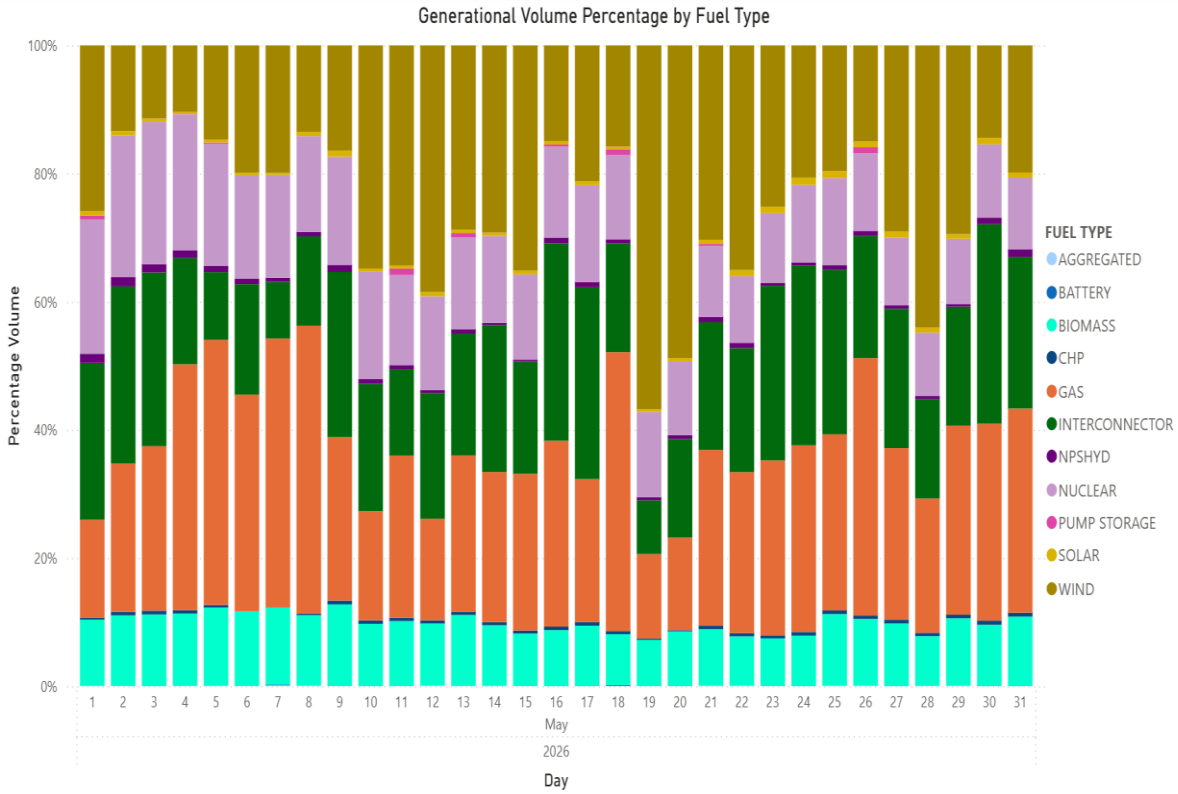

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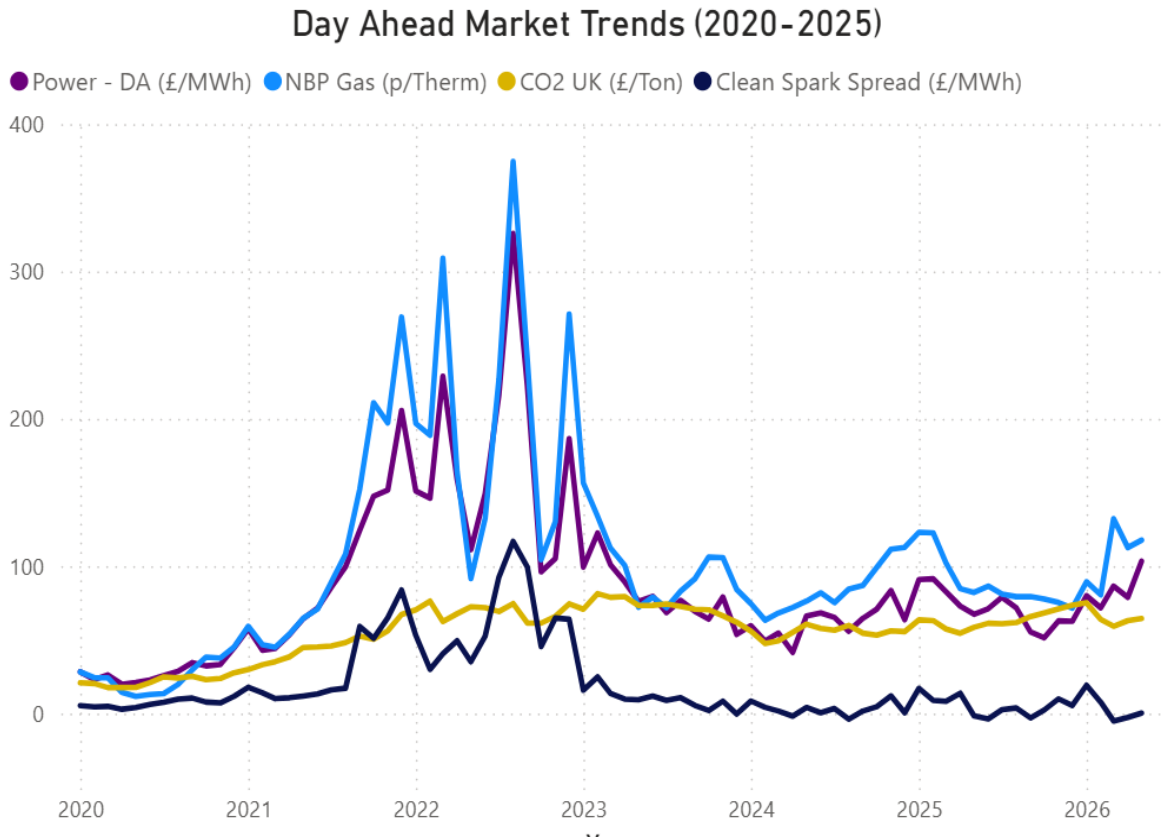
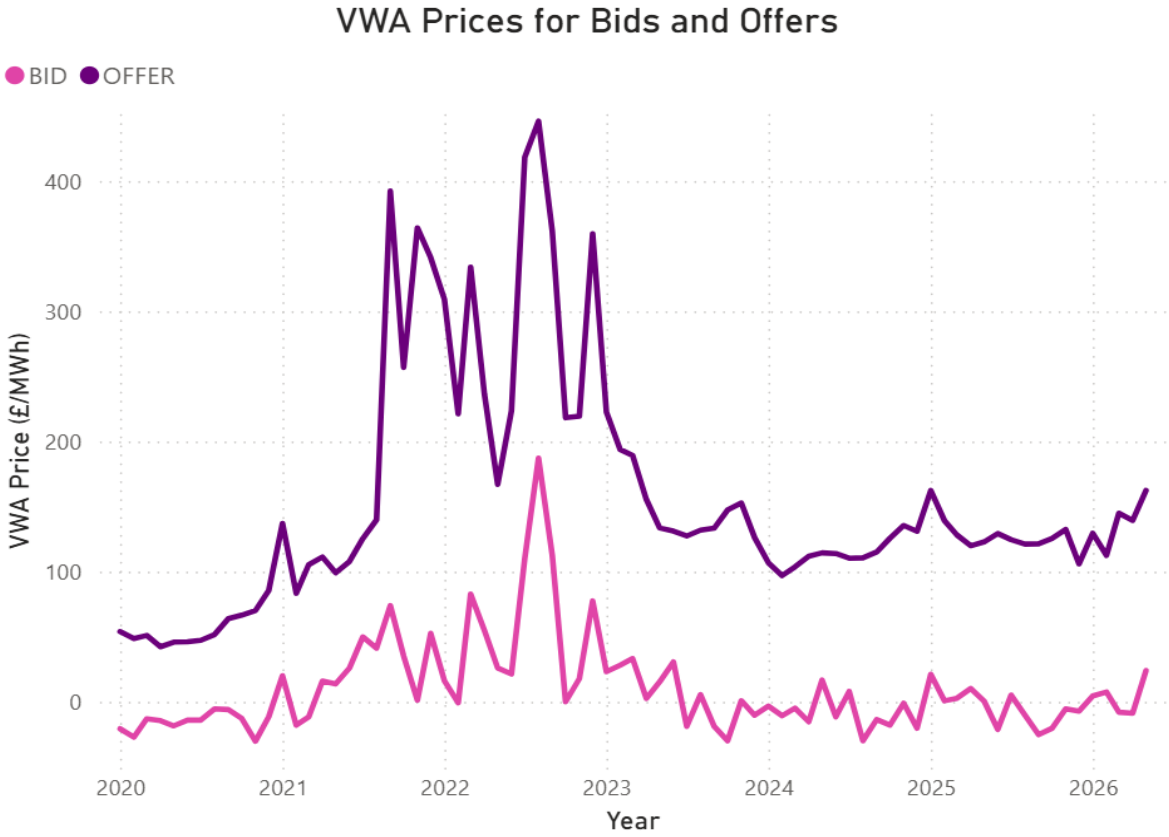
Market Conditions

	DA Power Price	VWA offer price	VWA bid price
M-o-m change	+£25/MWh	+£33/MWh	+£32/MWh
Y-o-y	+£36/MWh	+£40/MWh	+£24/MWh





Daily Costs and Volumes

The highest cost day was 7th May at £17.1m.

The date had the highest cost on constraints (£15.2m) of the month, or 89% of total spending.

Daily average cost was £7.4m, approximately a £2.7m decrease on the previous month.

Although non-constraint costs decreased, NESO took 2.5% more actions in May compared to April

Key trends from previous month:

	Constraint	Non-constraint
Cost	↓ -24%	↓ -24%
Volume	↓ -27%	↑ 2.5%

Daily average cost:

£7.4m

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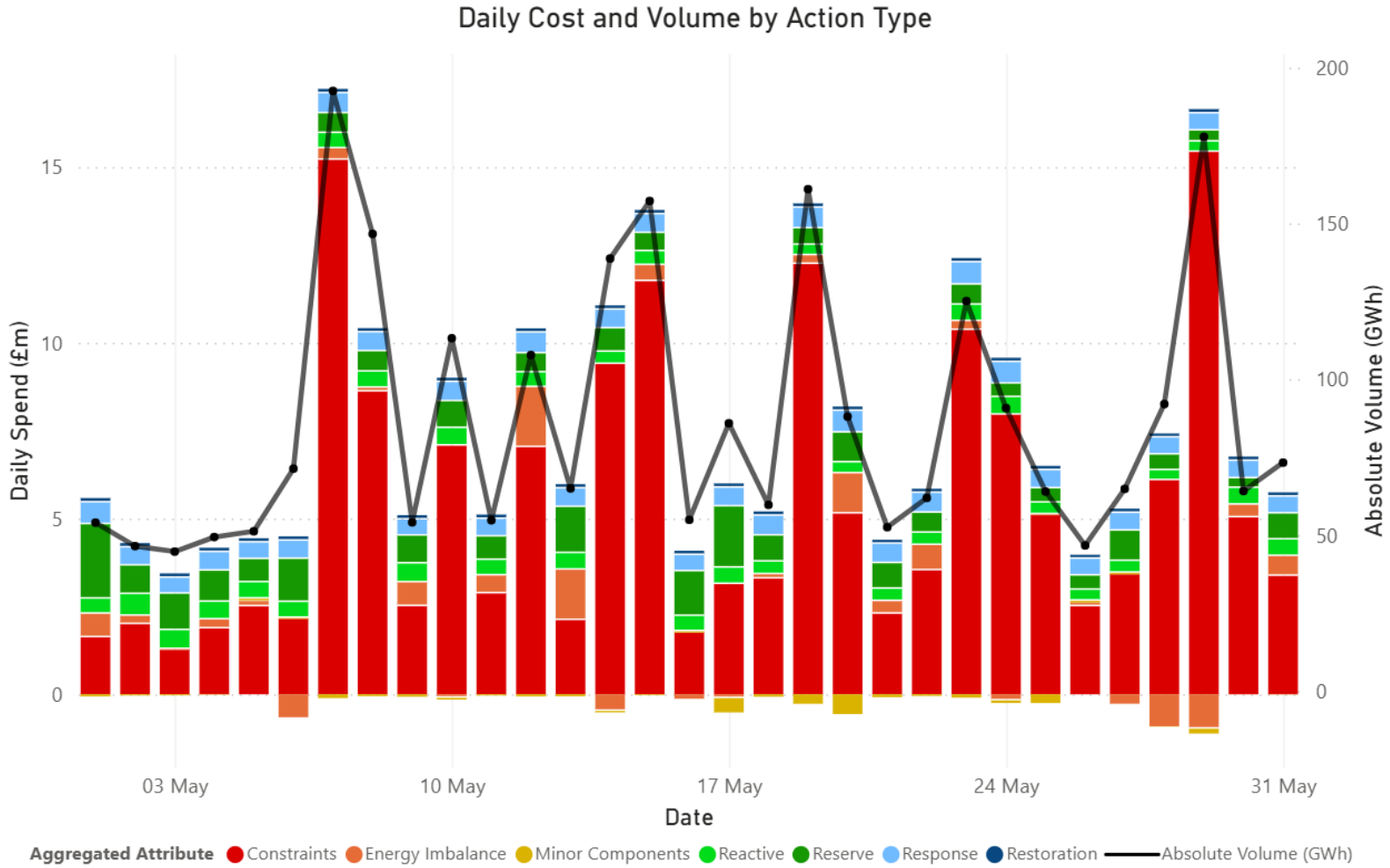

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Wind Outturn

Overall wind outturn dropped from 5.7 TWh in April to 4.4 TWh in May. April had some high wind days with Storm Dave at the beginning of the month which drove wind generation up.

There was a 533GWh decrease in the amount of wind curtailment compared to April and a 107GWh increase from May 2025.

The highest volume wind curtailment days were seen during the middle of the month:
- 29th May (74GWh) – Second highest cost day
- 19th May (63GWh)
- 15th May (62GWh)
- 7th May (55GWh) – Highest cost day

	Total	England & Wales	Scotland
Wind Outturn (GWh)	**4,429**	**2,560**	**1,869**
Wind Curtailment (GWh)	**590**	**12**	**578**

Monthly wind curtailment %:

11.8%

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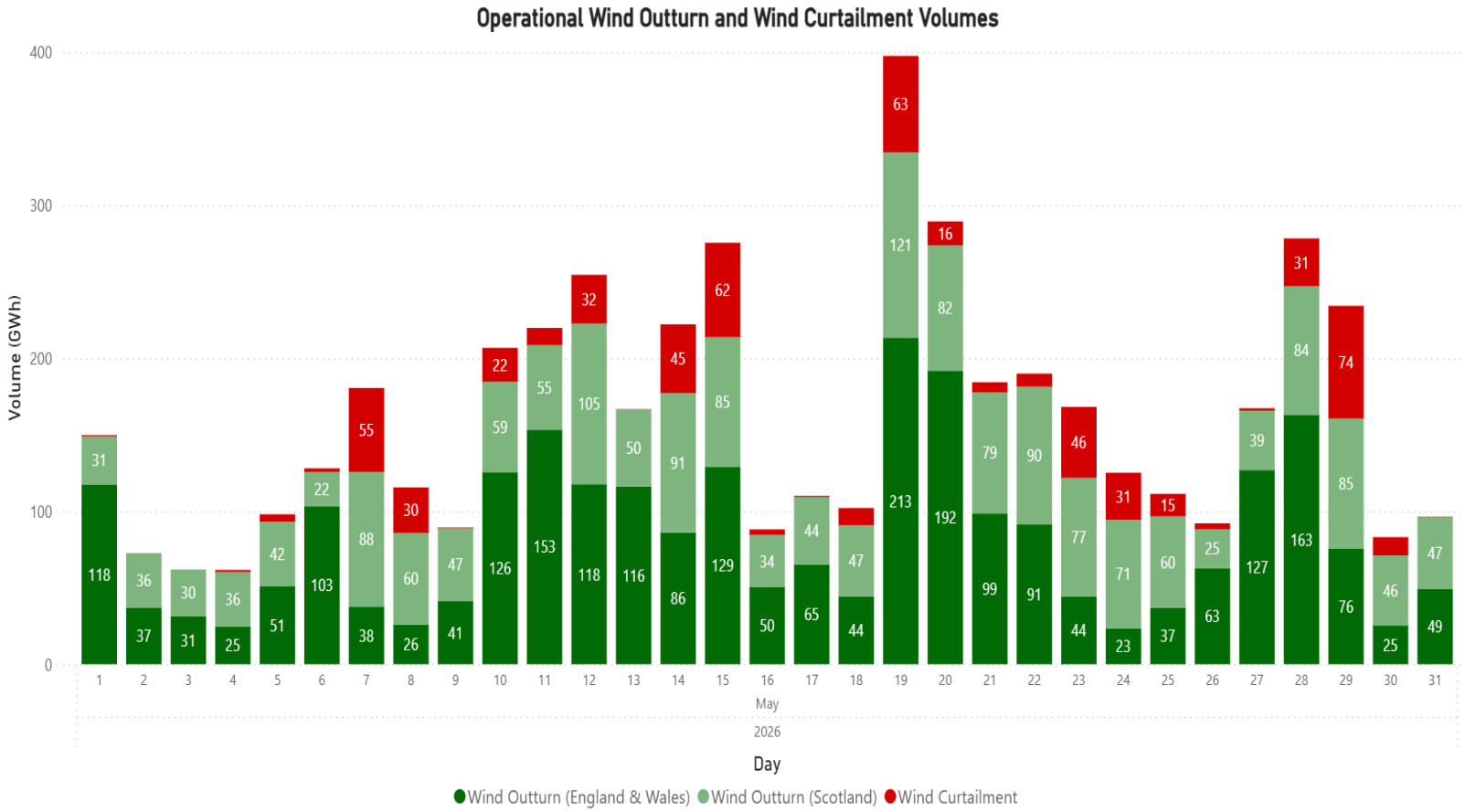

Demand | Last week demand out-turn

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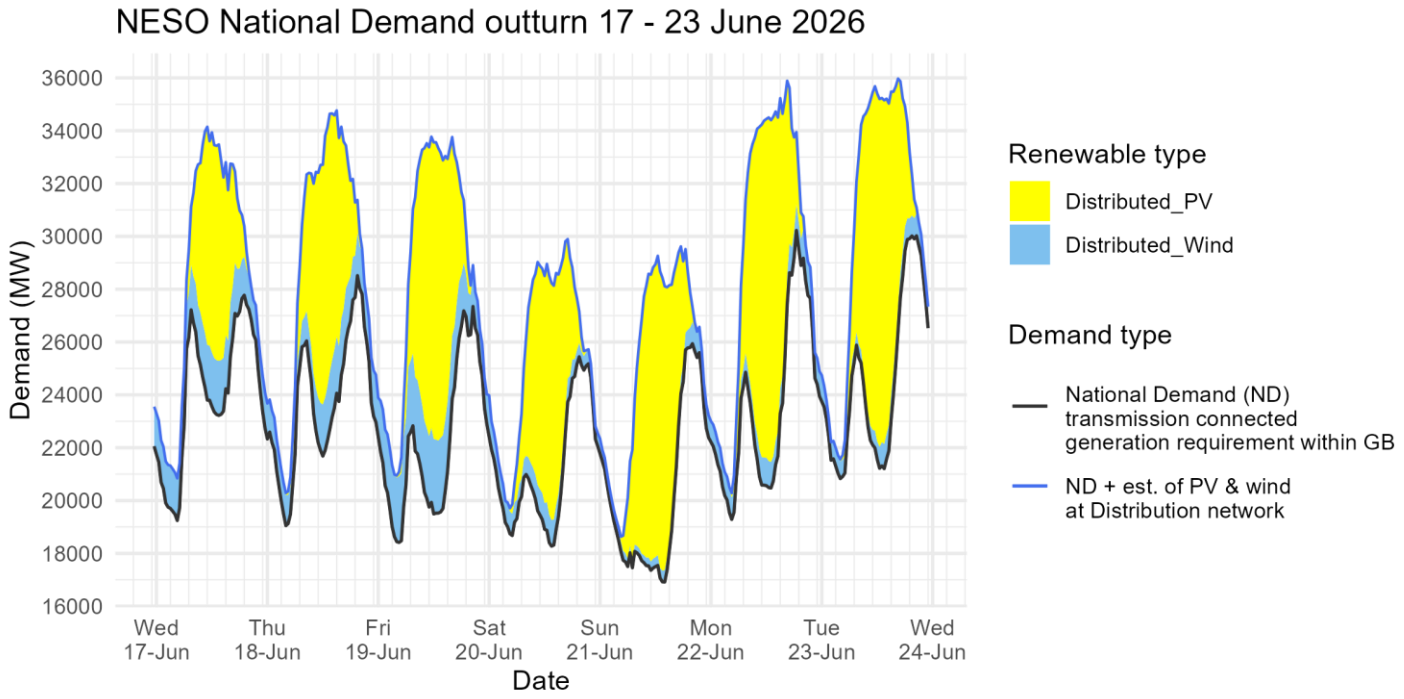

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ND values do not include export on interconnectors or pumping or station load

Blue line serves as a proxy for total GB customer demand. It includes demand supplied by the distributed wind and solar sources, but it does not include demand supplied by non-weather driven sources at the distributed network for which NESO has no real-time data.

Historic out-turn data can be found on the NESO Data Portal in the following data sets: Historic Demand Data & Demand Data Update

From March to October, the table will display overnight minimum (between 00:00 and 07:30) and daytime minimum (between 07:30 and 16:30) as well as an additional column: distributed PV.

Distributed generation

Peak values by day

Date	OUTTURN	
	Daily Max Dist. PV (GW)	Daily Max Dist. Wind (GW)
17 Jun 2026	8.3	2.1
18 Jun 2026	9.9	2.2
19 Jun 2026	11.3	2.8
20 Jun 2026	9.0	1.6
21 Jun 2026	11.3	1.0
22 Jun 2026	13.0	1.2
23 Jun 2026	13.2	1.0

National Demand

Minimum Demands

		FORECAST (Wed 17 Jun)			OUTTURN		
Date	Forecasting Point	National Demand (GW)	Dist. wind (GW)	Dist. PV (GW)	National Demand (GW)	Dist. wind (GW)	Dist. PV (GW)
18 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	19.2	1.1	0.2	19.0	1.2	0.1
18 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	19.2	2.5	10.8	21.7	2.0	9.1
19 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	19.0	1.6	0.2	18.4	2.5	0.2
19 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	18.3	2.7	11.3	19.5	2.8	11.2
20 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	18.5	1.1	0.2	18.7	0.8	0.4
20 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	15.9	1.2	10.9	18.3	1.0	9.0
21 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	17.1	0.4	2.4	17.5	0.3	2.3
21 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	16.2	0.4	11.9	16.9	0.5	10.7
22 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	19.7	0.7	0.1	19.3	0.8	0.2
22 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	22.1	0.6	10.5	20.5	1.0	12.9
23 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	20.7	0.9	0.0	20.8	0.7	0.1
23 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	22.2	1.3	9.6	21.2	0.9	13.0

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Demand | Week Ahead

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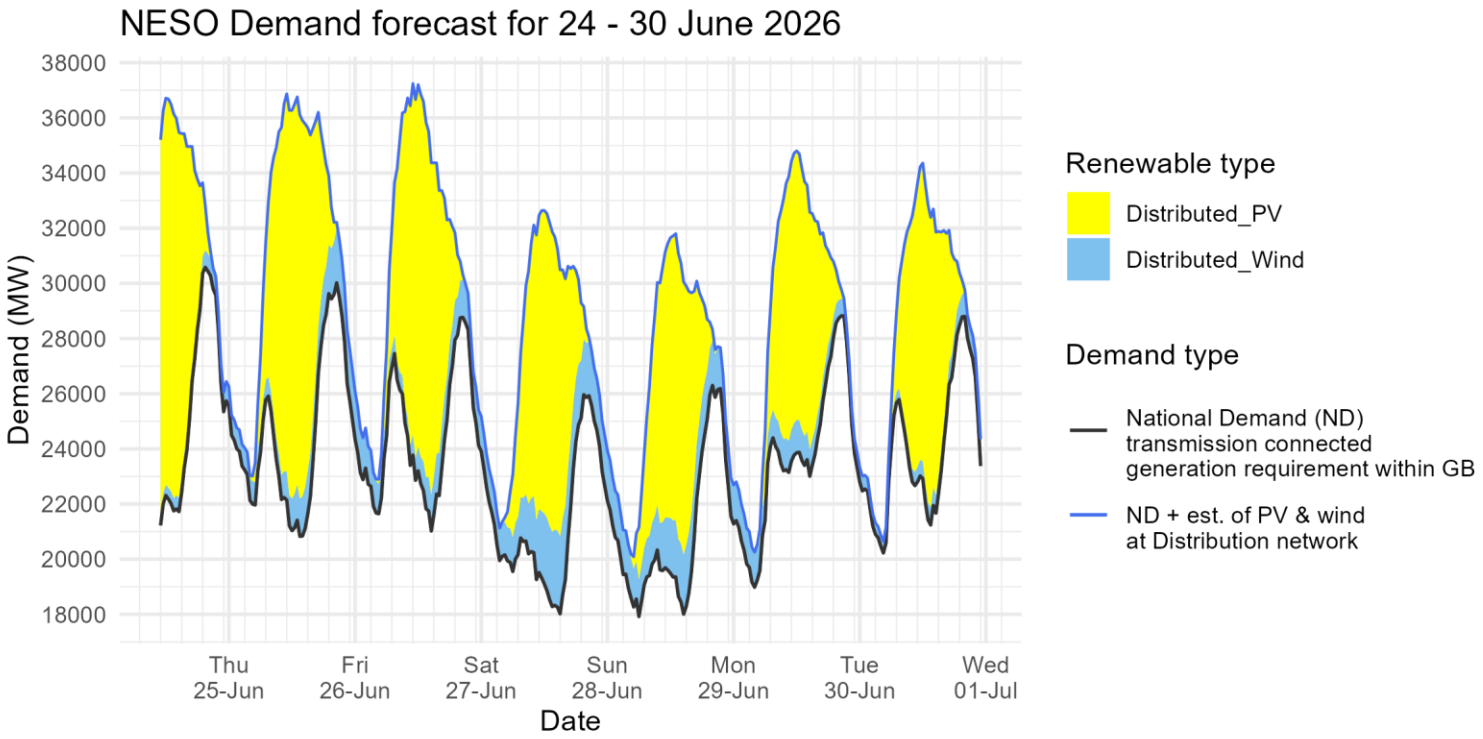

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National Demand

Minimum Demands

		FORECAST (Wed 24 Jun)		
Date	Forecasting Point	National Demand (GW)	Dist. wind (GW)	Dist. PV (GW)
24 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	21.2	0.4	13.6
25 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	22.0	0.8	0.7
25 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	20.8	1.4	13.9
26 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	21.7	1.1	0.2
26 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	21.2	1.3	11.9
27 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	19.5	1.2	2.3
27 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	18.3	2.7	9.5
28 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	17.9	1.3	1.9
28 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	18.0	2.2	9.9
29 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	19.0	1.2	0.1
29 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	23.0	1.0	8.6
30 Jun 2026	Overnight Min	20.2	0.4	0.0
30 Jun 2026	Daytime Min	21.2	0.7	10.5

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NESO Actions | Category Cost Breakdown

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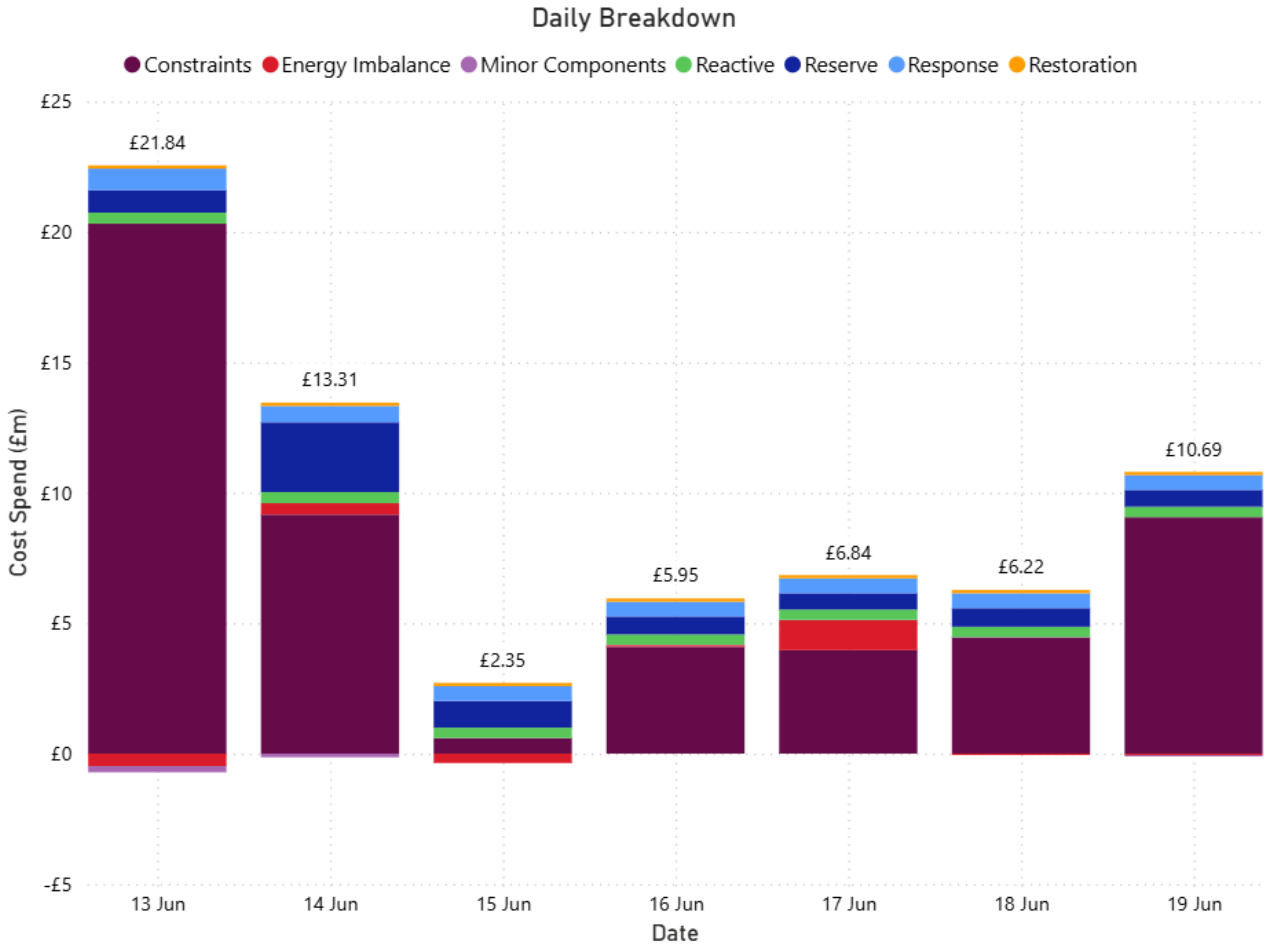
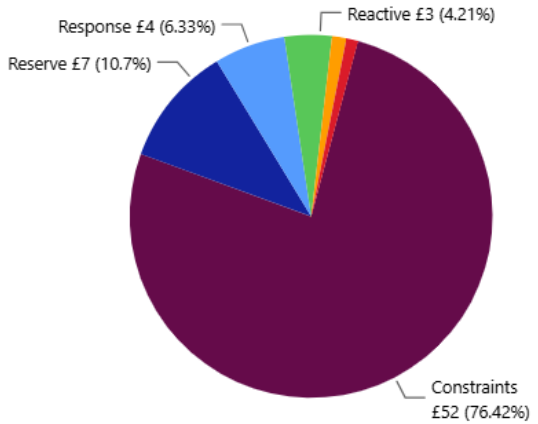


Current Week Total (£m)	Average Daily Cost (£m)
£67.20	£9.60
Previous Week Total (£m)	**Previous 30 Day Average (£m)**
£73.37	£8.18

Share of Cost Spend (£m)



For more info on constraint costs, and the steps NESO is taking with industry partners to address them, please see our Balancing Costs website.

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NESO Actions | Constraint Cost Breakdown

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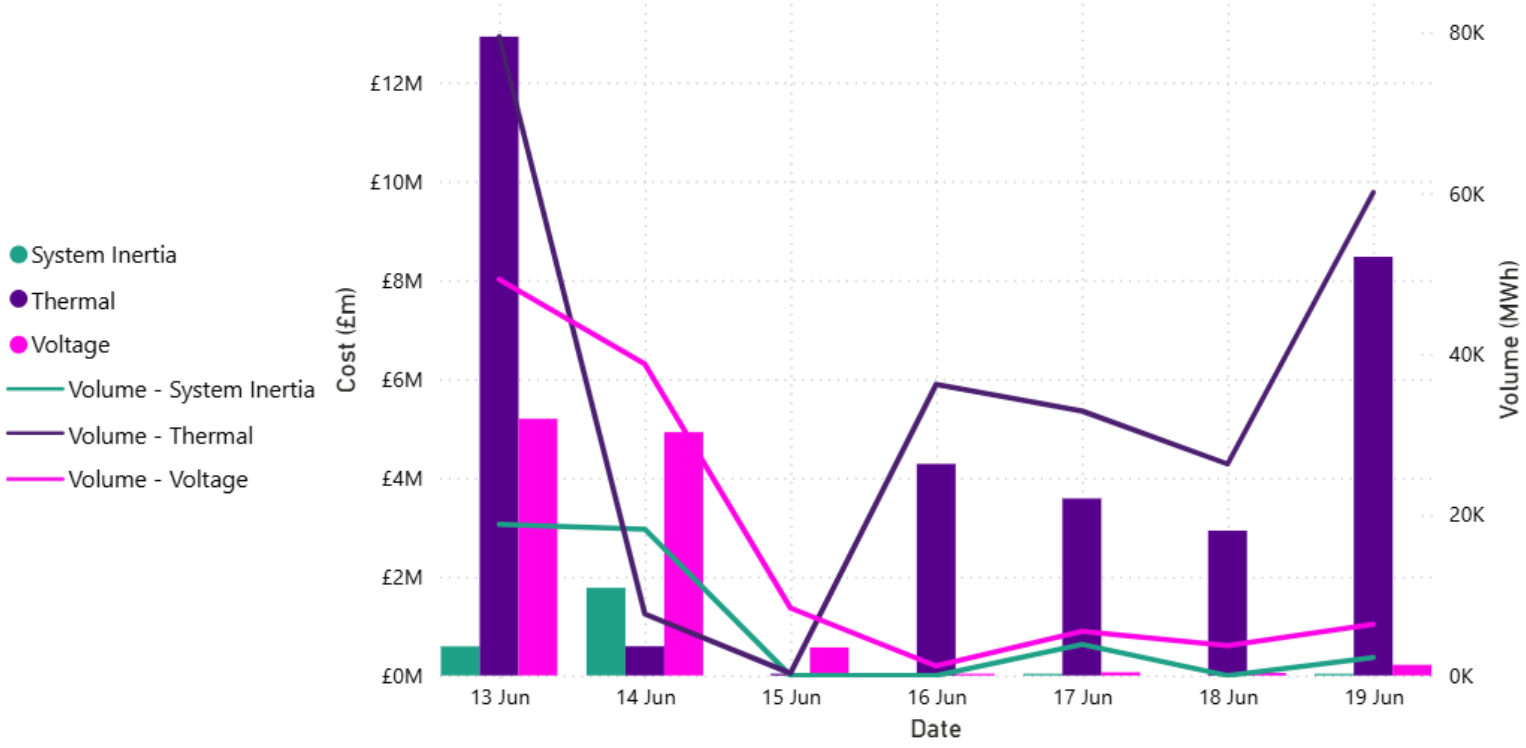
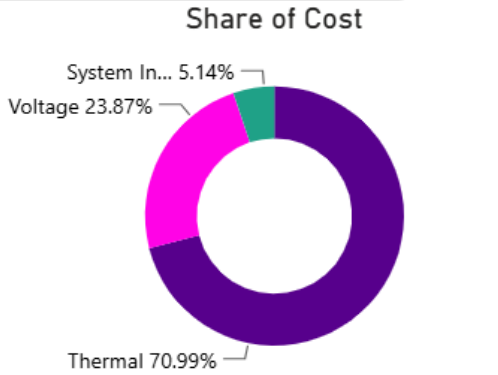
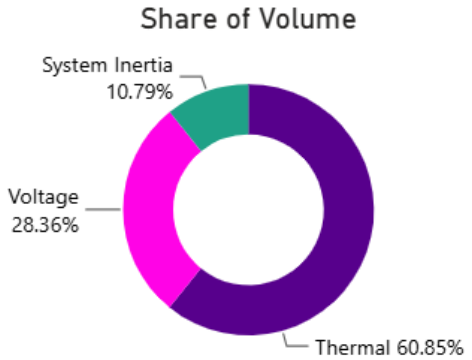
Thermal Constraints		Voltage Constraints		System Inertia	
Costs (£)	Volume (MWh)	Costs (£)	Volume (MWh)	Costs (£)	Volume (MWh)
£32.79M	243K	£11.02M	113K	£2.38M	43K







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NESO Actions | Settlement Periods of Interest

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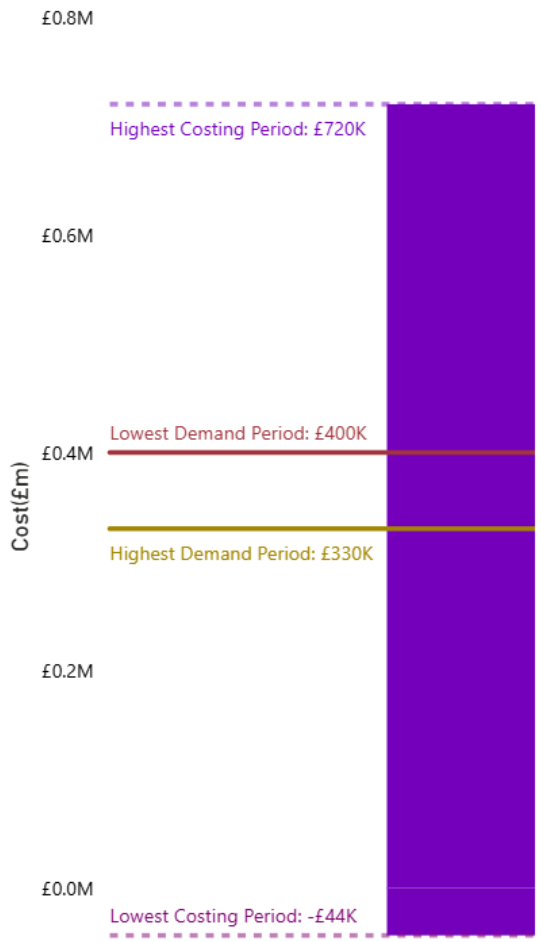

Highest Costing Settlement Period

Settlement Date	Settlement Period	Approximate Cost
13/06/2026	1	£720K

Minimum Demand Period

Settlement Date	Settlement Period	Demand (MW)	Approximate Cost
13/06/2026	30	13K	£400K

Highest Demand Period

Settlement Date	Settlement Period	Demand (MW)	Approximate Cost
13/06/2026	45	24K	£330K

Lowest Costing Settlement Period

Settlement Date	Settlement Period	Approximate Cost
15/06/2026	33	-£44K

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NESO Actions | Highest Costing Day

Share of Action Cost Spend

BID OFFER

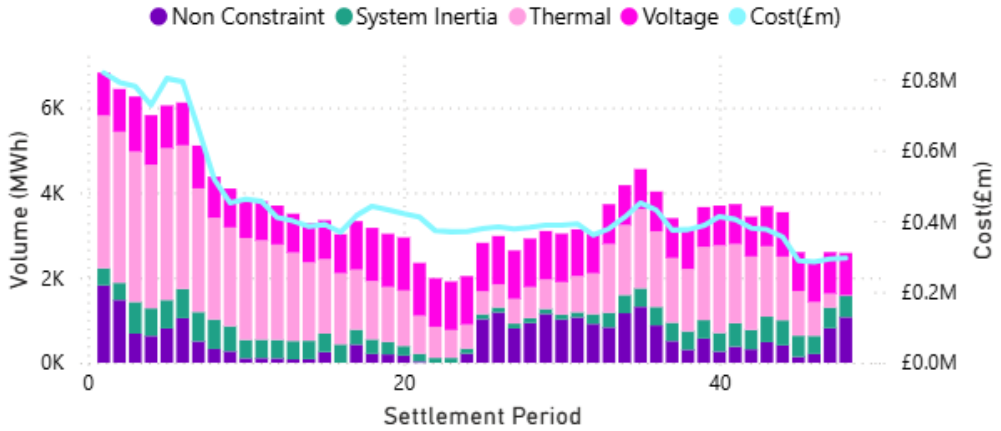
Settlement Date	Cost (£m)
13 June 2026	£21.84

Highest Costing Day Wind Curtailment Vs Daily Average

Bid Spend (£) by GSP

Offer Spend (£) by GSP

Action Cost and Volume



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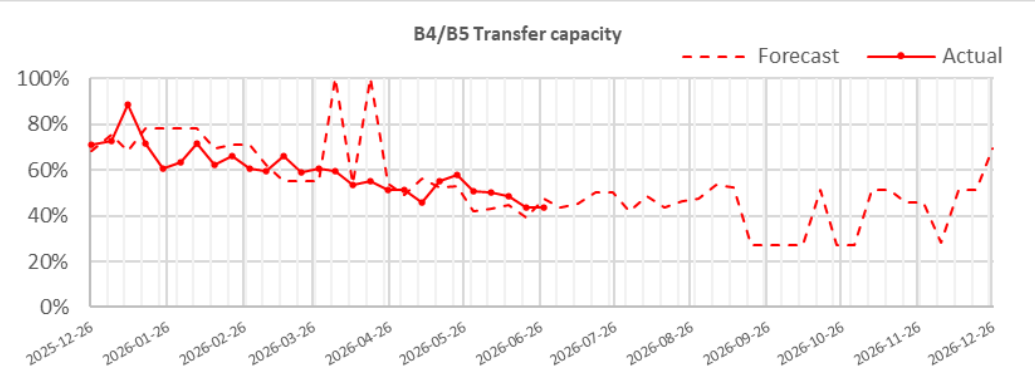
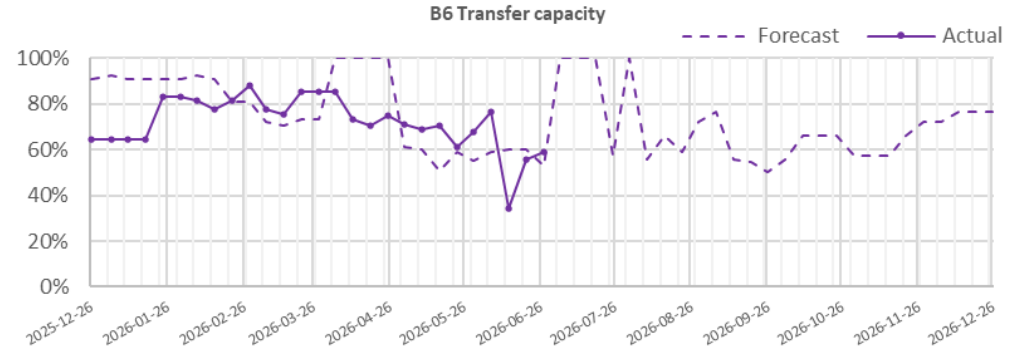
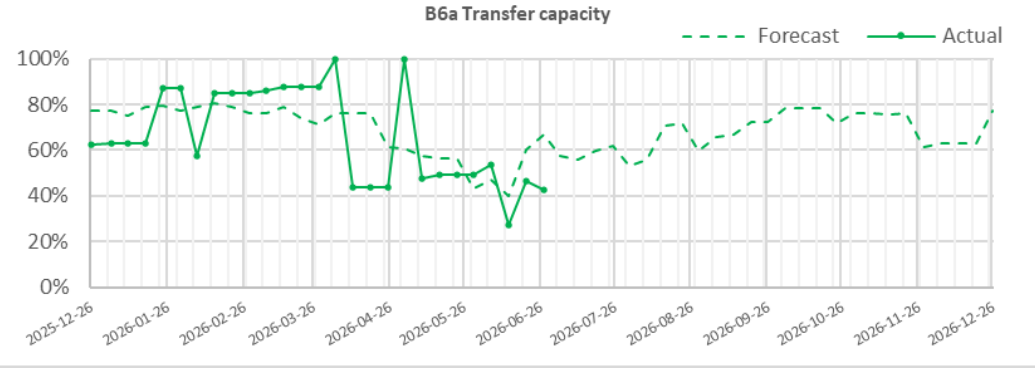
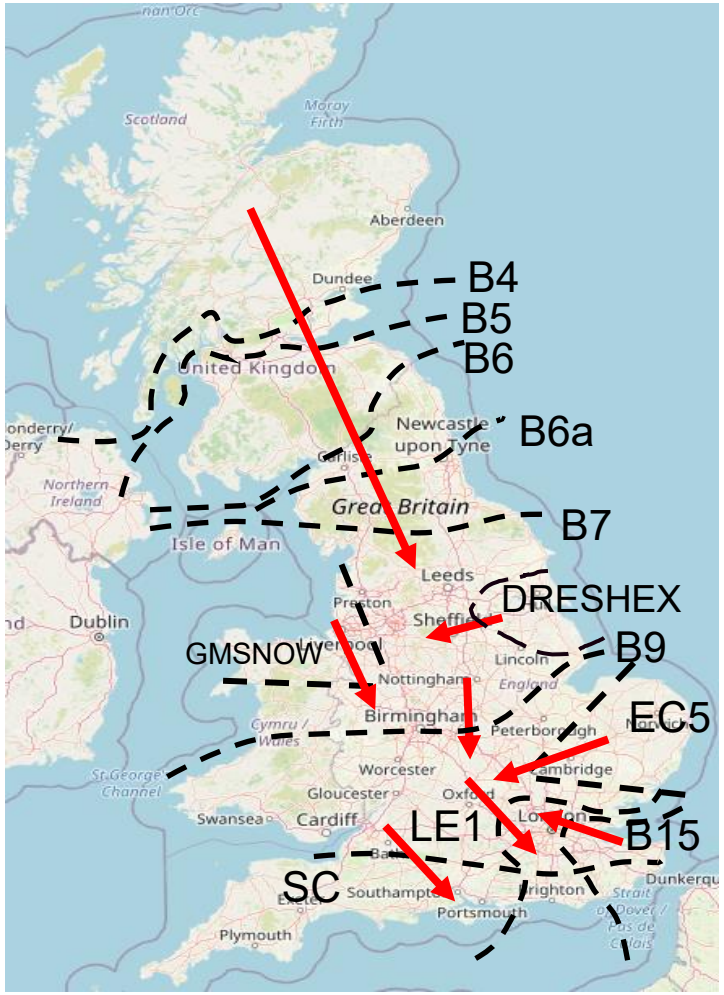






Boundary	Max. Capacity (MW)	Current Capacity (%)
B4/B5	3400	43
B6 (SCOTEX)	6800	59
B6a	8000	43
B7 (SSHARN)	9850	68
GMSNOW	5800	37
FLOWSTH (B9)	12700	81
DRESHEX	9675	61
EC5	5000	100
LE1 (SEIMP)	8750	66
B15 (ESTEX)	7500	72
SC1	7300	100



The forecast line is updated with the 12-week ahead view, and this happens each week. So, everything up to 12 weeks ahead is the forecast from 12-week ahead view, and everything after that is the fixed long-term forecast view.

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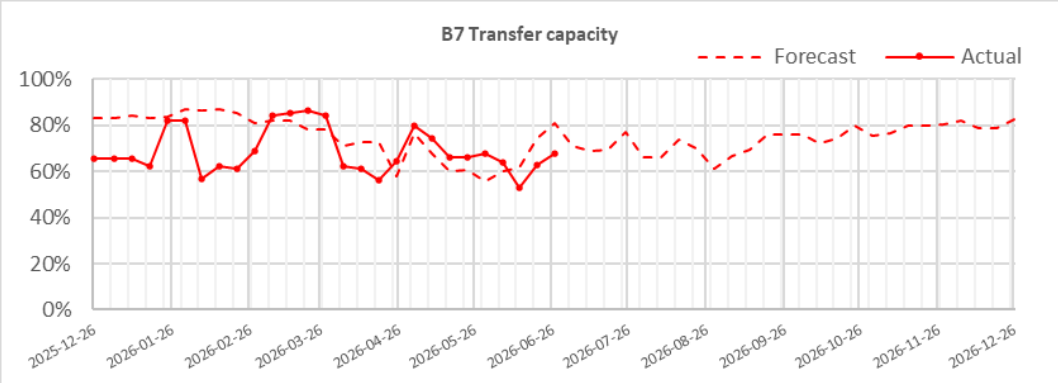

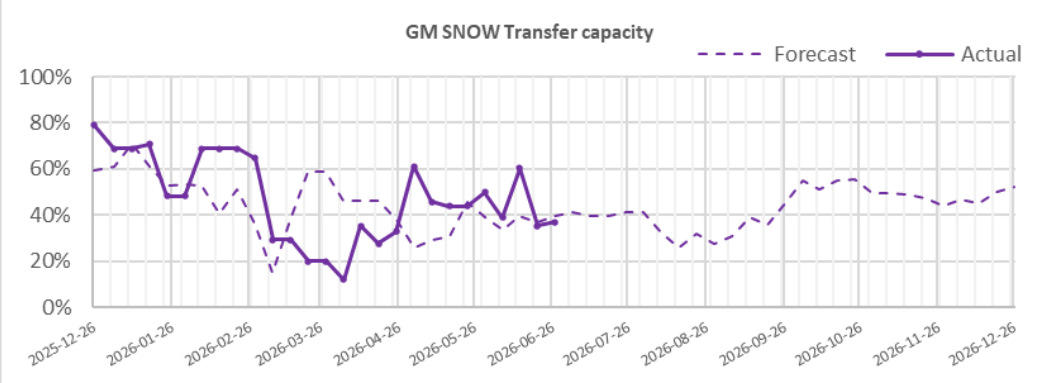

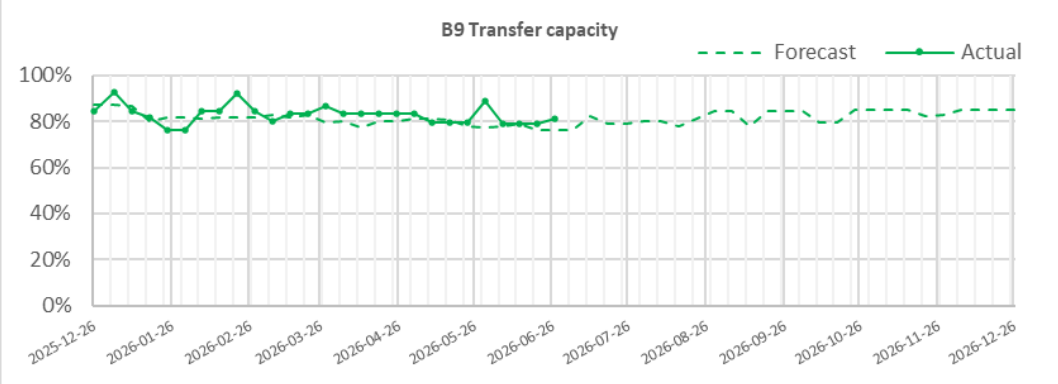

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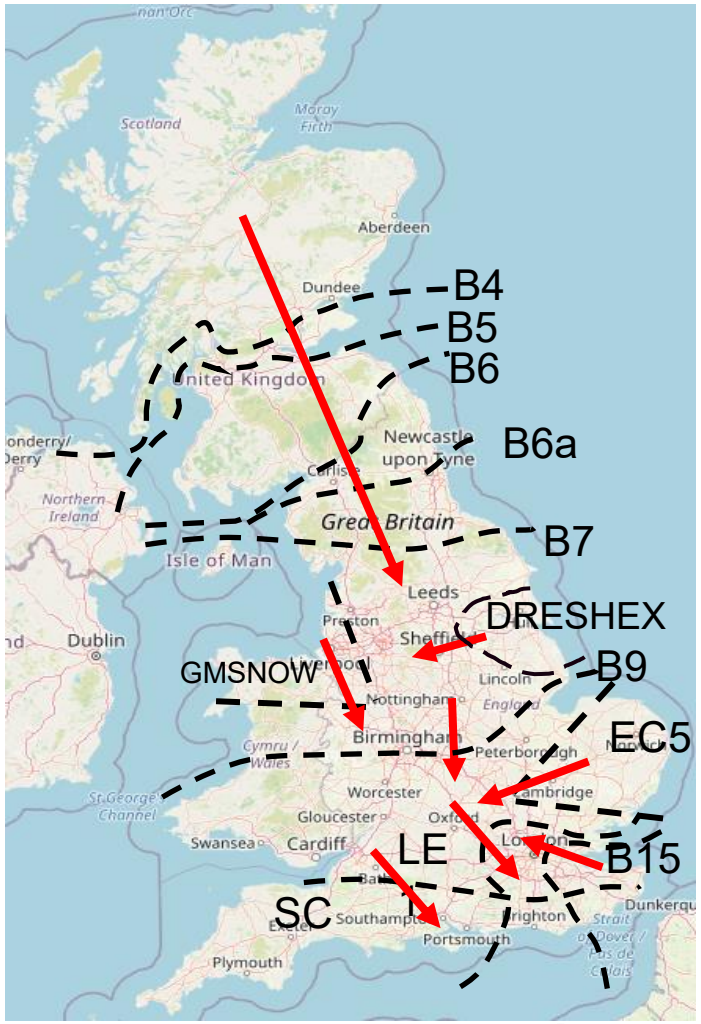

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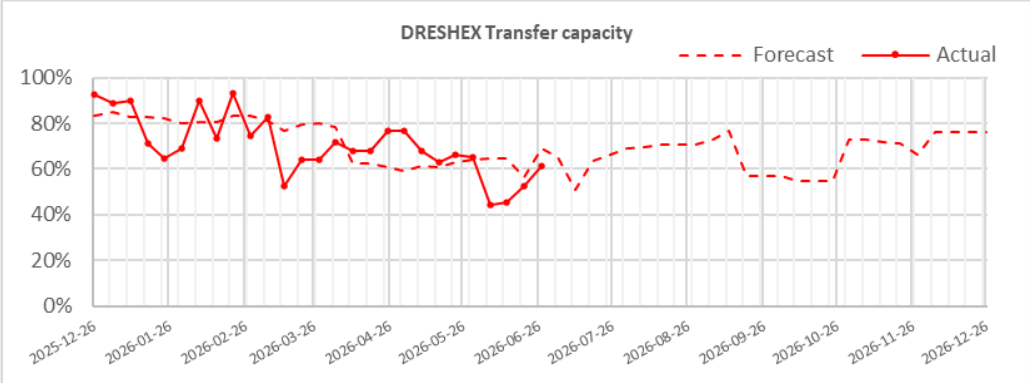

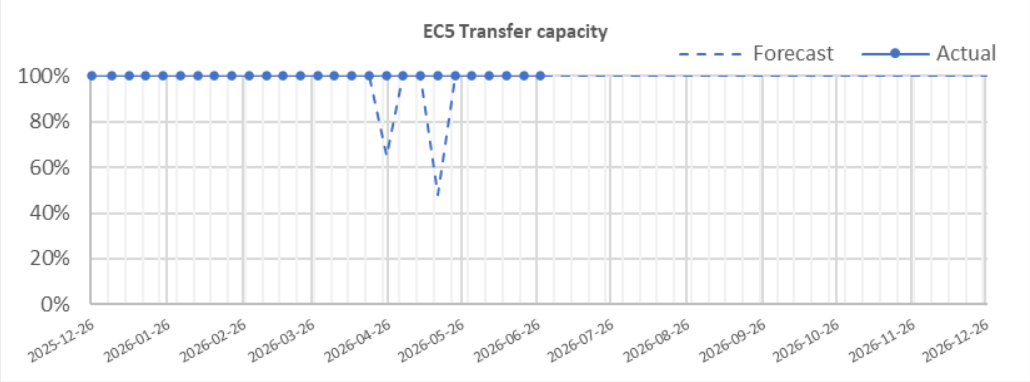

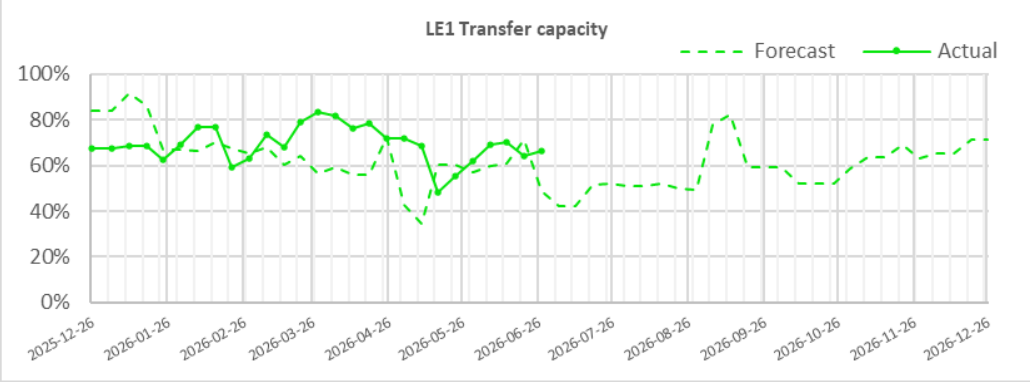

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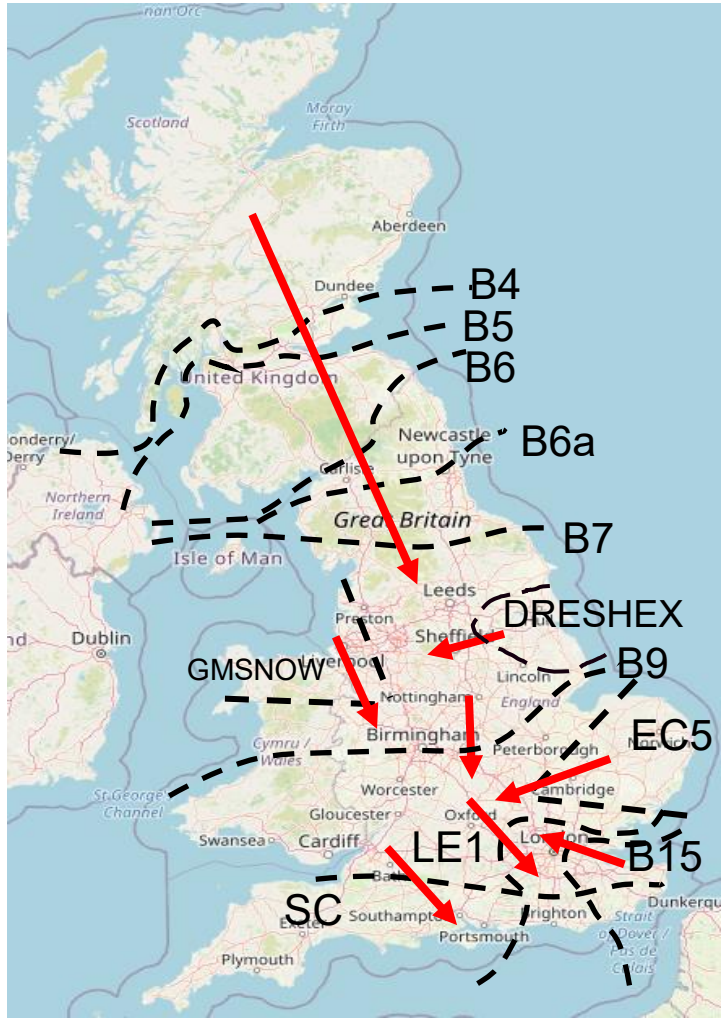

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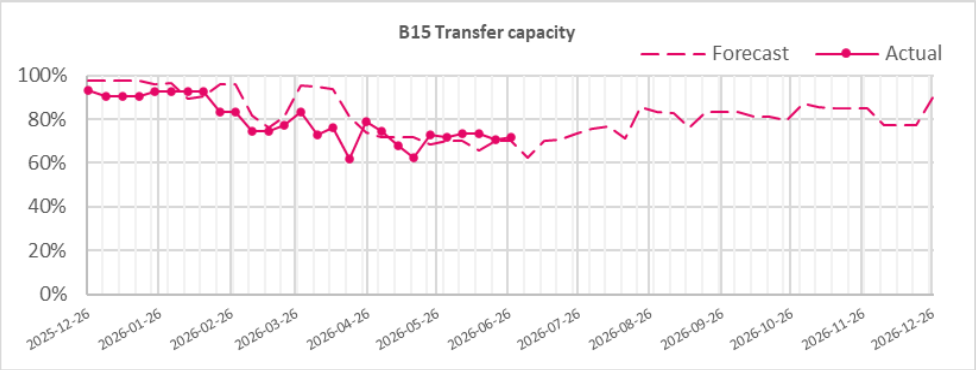

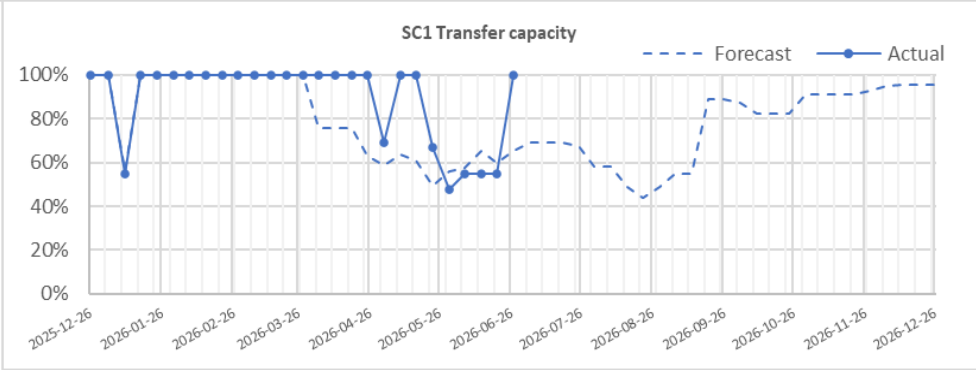

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Day ahead flows and limits, and the 24-month constraint limit forecast are published on the NESO Data Portal: Constraints Management

The dataset presented in the Network congestion is published on the NESO data portal . Operational Transparency Forum - Network congestion data | National Energy System Operator

(The forecast and day ahead limits may vary due to changes in the outage plan. The plan is reviewed periodically throughout the year to ensure we are optimising system conditions, whilst managing any necessary outage plan changes.

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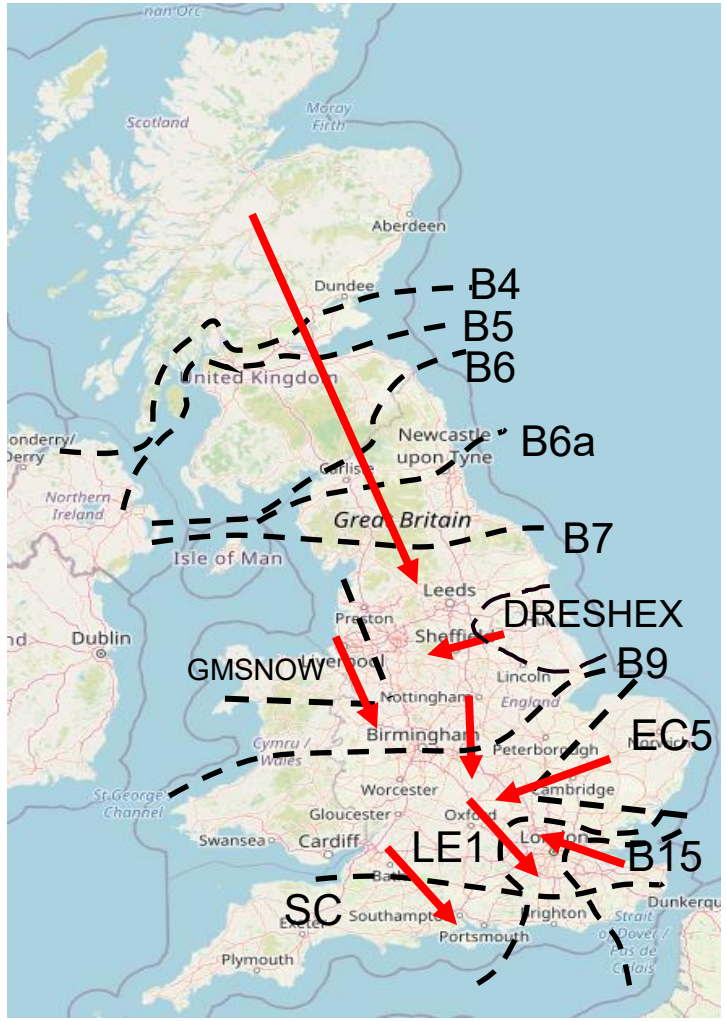

PSA Skip Rates – bids & offers combined

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The current skip rate methodology only considers energy actions within the BM

We welcome your comments and feedback on these figures and how we present this data.

These graphs are based on stage 5 of the Post System Action definition.

Weekly Average w/e	PSA Skip Rate (%)
31/05	28%
07/06	32%
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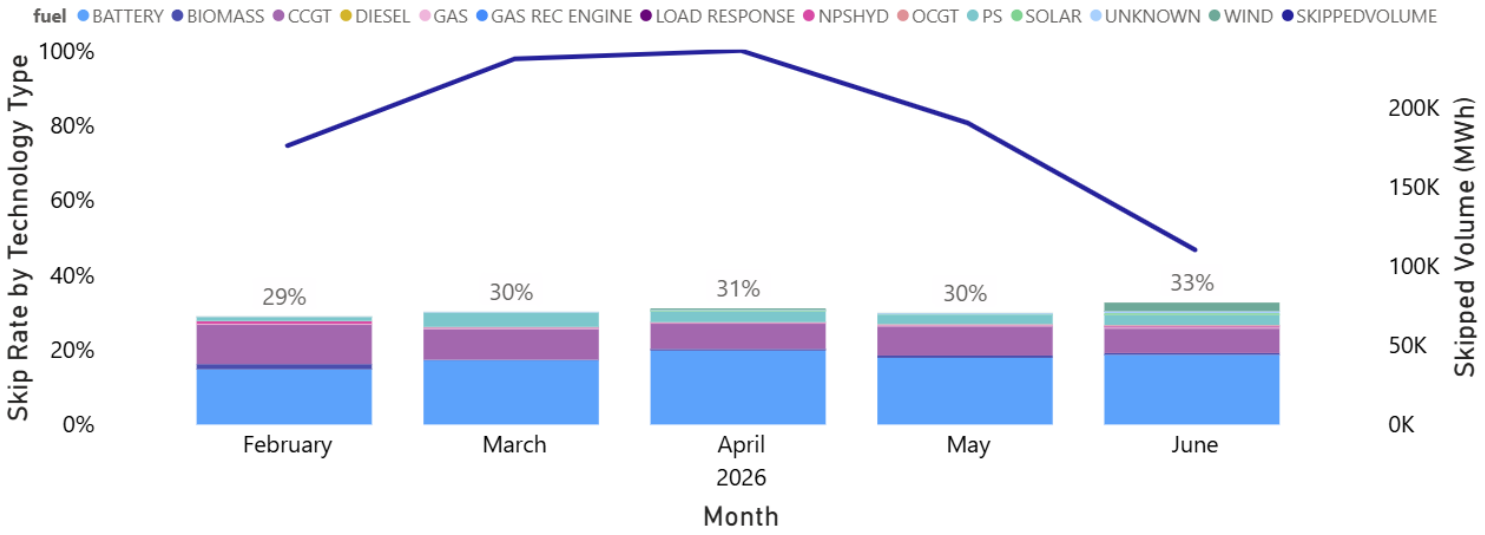
21/06	35%

Relative Technology Skip Rate



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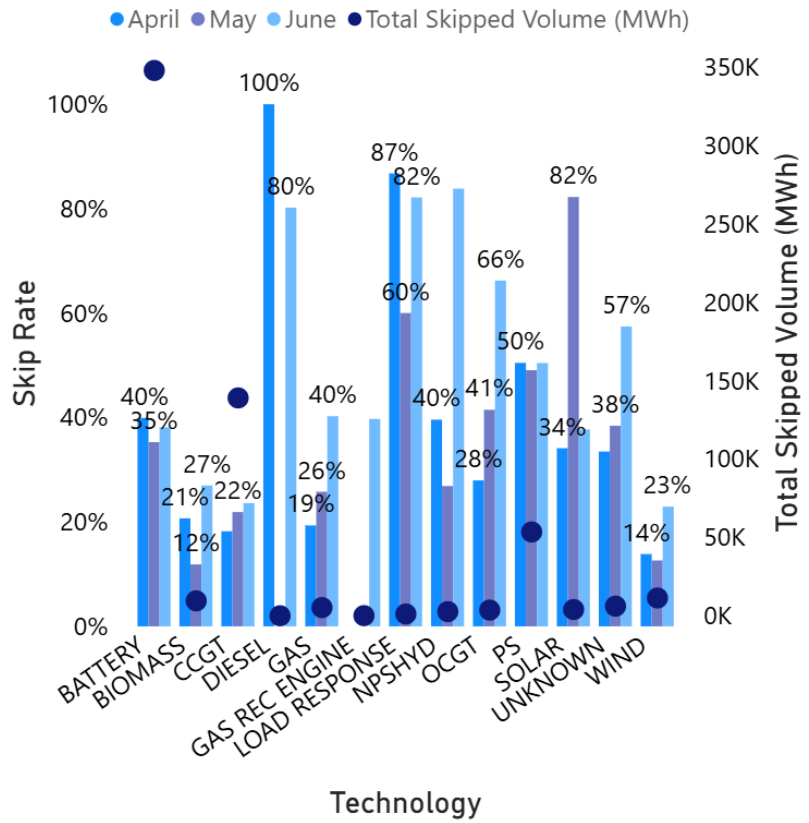

Gas: Gas reciprocating units
NPSHYD: Non-Pumped Storage Hydro
PS: Pumped Storage

Contact us on box.SkipRates@neso.energy

Skip rate data and more info on skip rates including methodology can be found on our website.

Rerecorded deep dive can be found on our webpage: here

Previously Asked Questions

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Q (17/06/2026) Lisa Waters: Skip rates seem to be relatively stable - at a high c30%. What is the plan to get them down to say c5%?

A: Continuous improvements to control room software, systems, and processes are being delivered to support ongoing reductions where feasible. We committed to achieve an average skip rate of 30% from January to June and are on track to deliver this.

The way we measure skip rates is based on a simplified representation of how dispatch operates in practice, with a number of inherent assumptions built into the methodology. As a result, it would not be practically achievable—using the current definition—to drive skip rates close to zero, and in some respects this would not be desirable from an operational perspective.

Because of these structural limitations, there is an effective floor in the metric, meaning targets such as 5% are not realistically attainable under the current framework. Previous analysis suggests a floor of approximately 21% using the current method. This has been discussed previously, with further detail set out in the slides linked here - see slide 72 here: Dispatch Transparency Forum

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Q (17/06/2026) Martin Laing: Can NESO publish when there are system security reasons, so the market knows when the 300MW rule per I/C doesn't apply. Market participants are bound by REMIT so why should NESO be allowed to be opaque when it can affect market price.

A: NESO is looking into how this information can be communicated to market participants. The limits have only been active for a few weeks and NESO is working with Ofgem on how the exceptions to the trading limits are communicated. NESO shares all trading volume information including the volumes over the trading limits via the NESO Data Portal which meets NESO's transparency and licence obligations. We will provide any updates on trading limit exceptions as soon as possible.

Q (17/06/2026) Jamie MacEwen: Could a deep dive be set up to understand the process around determining what constitutes exceptional circumstances, noting there were GB CCGT's not utilised within the BM stack on the 16.06 yet the 300MW limit per Interconnector limit was breached.

A: As per the answer above, we will provide more information on how exceptions to the trading limits are communicated to the market as soon as possible.

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Advance Questions

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Q (17/06/2026): We have observed instances where NESO appears to have bought 600 MW on individual interconnectors that were scheduled to export at the day-ahead stage.

This appears to conflict with the interconnector trading restrictions communicated by NESO on 14 May, which stated that trading would be limited to a maximum of 300 MW on any individual interconnector.

For example, on 16 June for the hour beginning 19:00 BST, NESO bought 600 MW on NEMO and 600 MW on Viking.

Could you please confirm whether there have been any changes to these restrictions since 14 May? If there have been no changes, could you explain how these trades are consistent with the stated 300 MW limit?"

A: In normal day to day processes the restriction will allow a total of 1500MW to be traded within day across continental interconnectors, for any hour (with a maximum of 300MW on any interconnector). Further, as part of the market notice that went out to market on 13th May from NESO it was stated 'NESO does not have concerns over electricity system security as all EU TSO's have processes in place to assist in times of system stress.' As part of that process and in agreement with neighbouring TSOs, NESO can procure more than the 300MW per Interconnector under exceptional situations for system security only. Having assessed the system conditions on 16th June, we were required to take actions on Interconnectors to manage margins.

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- **Anonymous Questions:** We won't answer questions from unidentified parties live. If you need to stay anonymous, use the advance question or email options.
- **Challenge Concerns:** The OTF isn't the place to challenge actions of individual parties (except NESO). Report such concerns to the Market Monitoring team at: mailto:box.nc.customer@neso.energy.
- **Question Order:** We'll answer questions in the order they are upvoted. If we can't answer a question right away, we'll take it away or address it later.
- **Slido Availability:** Slido will stay open until 12:00, even if the call ends earlier, to give you more time to ask questions.
- **Q&A:** All questions asked through Slido will be recorded and published with answers in the Operational Transparency Forum Q&A on our webpage: https://www.neso.energy/what-we-do/systems-operations/operational-transparency-forum
- **Takeaway Questions:** These will be included in the next OTF pack. We might ask you to email us to clarify details
- **Out of Scope Questions:** These will be forwarded to the right NESO expert or team for a direct response. We might ask you to email us to ensure we have the correct contact details. For more information about the OTF's purpose and scope, check the appendix of this slide pack.

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Appendix

Purpose and scope of the NESO Operational Transparency Forum

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Purpose: The Operational Transparency Forum runs once a week to provide updated information on and insight into the operational challenges faced by the control room in the recent past (1-2 weeks) and short-term future (1-2 weeks). The OTF will also signpost other NESO events, provide deep dives into focus topics, and allow industry to ask questions.

Scope

The OTF covers:

- Regular updates, deep dives, and focus topics
- NESO's operational strategies and challenges
- Data published by NESO
- Data and processes from other parties (e.g., BMRS by Elexon, consultations by Elexon, Ofgem, DESNZ)
- Industry questions (answers live or taken away for answering later)

Out of Scope

The OTF does not cover:

- Data owned by other parties
- Specific actions and decisions of the NESO Control Room
- Activities and operations of individual market participants
- NESO's policy and strategic decisions
- Formal consultations (e.g., Code Changes, Business Planning, Market Development)

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Skip Rates – 'In Merit' datasets

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We recognise that these datasets aren't as intuitive as they could be – specifically the column headings. Please be reassured that we are looking at ways to improve this - we will update the documentation to include this information and will also discuss the datasets in more detail at the webinar on 27th February.

We will use 'accepted' and 'instructed' differently in this context, even though they are normally the same.

These datasets show the units that should have been instructed if decisions were solely based on price, rather than all units that were instructed. Therefore this dataset does not match the total accepted volume datasets in Elexon.

In Merit Volume = Accepted Volume + Skipped Volume

In Merit Volume
- This is the recreated in merit stack showing the lowest cost units that were available to meet the requirement, where the requirement is based on the volume of units that were actually instructed
- Therefore this is the volume that should have been accepted if decisions were solely based on price
- The sum of this column is the total instructed volume in the 5 minute period (subject to the relevant exclusions)

Accepted Volume
- This is the volume that was accepted in merit, as a subset of the 'In Merit Volume' column – i.e. how much volume was accepted in merit
- The sum of this column will be less than the sum of the 'In Merit Volume' column, unless there is no skipped volume
- Note: this column does not list all instructed units

Skipped Volume
- This is the volume that was skipped, as a subset of the 'In Merit Volume' column – i.e. of the volume that we should have instructed, how much was skipped

It's possible that the list of units increases, decreases, or stays the same between stages, but the total 'In Merit Volume' will always remain the same (or no volume is excluded) or decrease (due to exclusions).

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