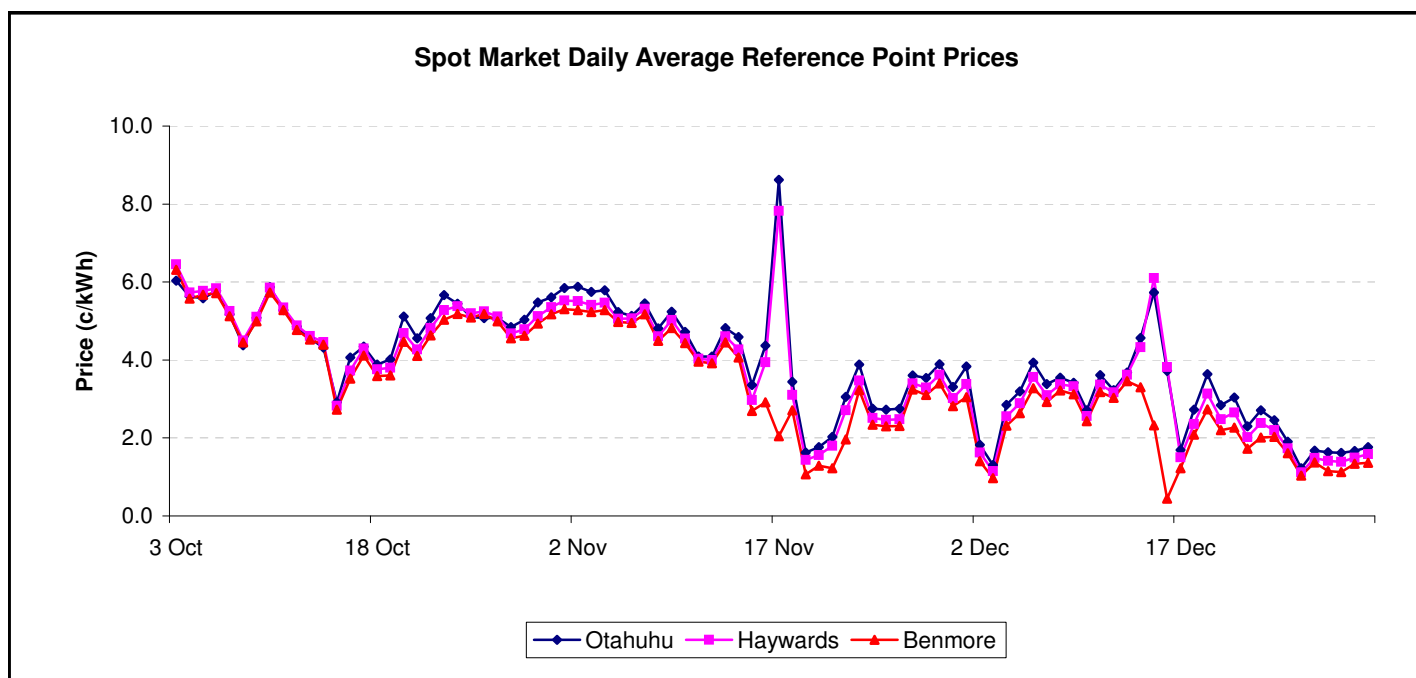


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## spot electricity market summary for the week ending 31 December 2006



24-Dec Sun	25-Dec Mon	26-Dec Tue	27-Dec Wed	28-Dec Thu	29-Dec Fri	30-Dec Sat	31-Dec Sun
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Daily Average Reference Price (c/kWh)								
Otahuhu	2.46	1.90	1.22	1.67	1.63	1.61	1.67	1.76
Haywards	2.20	1.73	1.11	1.49	1.41	1.39	1.50	1.58
Benmore	2.03	1.61	1.03	1.37	1.15	1.12	1.34	1.37
Haywards 1 month ago	2.48	3.40	3.29	3.62	3.03	3.38	1.63	1.15
Haywards 1 year ago	4.56	6.22	6.91	11.32	9.73	8.28	8.29	7.61

M-co Electricity Price Index (c/kWh)								
New Zealand	2.65	2.55	2.24	2.07	1.87	1.76	1.63	1.53
New Zealand 1 month ago	2.60	2.89	3.15	3.32	3.23	3.38	3.26	3.08
New Zealand 1 year ago	9.10	8.28	7.76	7.98	8.19	8.09	8.25	8.65

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<b>NZ Demand (GWh)</b>								
Total	84.3	79.4	78.8	86.0	86.2	86.3	83.7	84.5
7 days ago	91.6	104.2	106.4	105.5	104.5	92.3	92.3	84.3
7 day change	-7.9%	-23.8%	-25.9%	-18.4%	-17.6%	-6.6%	-9.3%	0.3%
Total 1 month ago	91.4	104.5	105.6	104.5	106.0	104.8	94.4	89.6
Total 1 year ago	77.0	78.4	83.2	89.3	90.4	87.3	83.1	83.1

<b>NZ Generation Output (GWh)</b>								
NI Hydro	14.0	13.2	13.5	14.7	14.7	14.3	13.3	13.3
NI Other	24.1	24.3	23.6	26.6	24.8	24.3	23.7	23.9
SI Hydro	49.9	45.0	44.9	48.4	50.8	51.7	50.4	51.1
Total	88.0	82.5	81.9	89.6	90.2	90.4	87.5	88.3
NI Hydro 1 month ago	20.1	22.5	22.7	22.5	21.6	20.5	16.9	17.2
NI Other 1 month ago	24.5	34.4	34.2	33.2	33.1	32.4	28.0	24.0
SI Hydro 1 month ago	50.2	51.0	52.2	52.4	55.2	56.0	53.3	52.4
NI Hydro 1 year ago	14.0	13.5	15.4	17.9	15.8	14.9	15.5	12.1
NI Other 1 year ago	37.1	38.1	39.7	34.8	38.9	41.0	39.0	37.9
SI Hydro 1 year ago	27.2	28.1	29.7	38.2	37.5	33.1	30.2	31.6

<b>Inter-Island Transmission Transfers (GWh)</b>								
South to North	15.4	12.5	12.1	14.0	16.6	17.1	16.3	17.0
North to South	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
South to North 1 month ago	12.8	10.1	11.2	11.3	14.2	16.5	17.4	17.1
South to North 1 year ago	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.3	3.2	0.4	0.4	0.4

<b>Hydrology (GWh)</b>								
Storage	3360	3354	3462	3462	3499	3525	3543	3552
% of average	117%	116%	120%	119%	120%	121%	121%	121%
Inflows (GWh/day)	53.3	51.3	138.4	138.4	112.6	87.6	85.7	72.3
% of average	61%	59%	159%	160%	130%	101%	100%	84%
Storage % of average 1 month ago	123%	122%	122%	126%	132%	133%	133%	132%
Storage % of average 1 year ago	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	64%

The spot market electricity price differs from the *retail electricity price*, which is the price domestic consumers see on their electricity bill. The spot market electricity price is only one of the factors that influence retail prices.

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