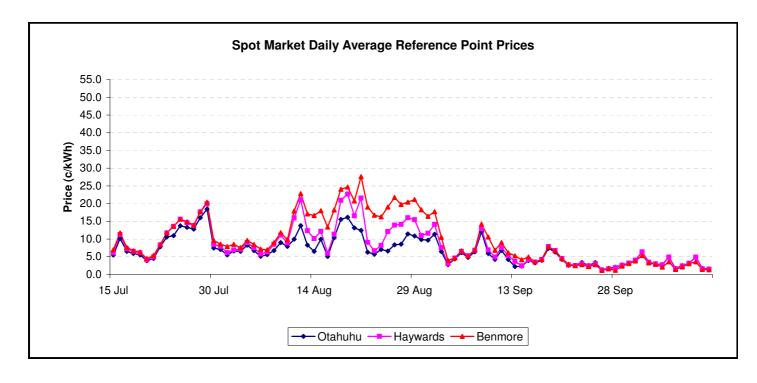


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spot electricity market summary for the week ending 12 October 2008



5-Oct	6-Oct	7-Oct	8-Oct	9-Oct	10-Oct	11-Oct	12-Oct
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun

Daily Average Reference Price (c/kWh)											
Otahuhu	2.78	4.92	1.67	2.46	3.13	4.92	1.67	1.54			
Haywards	2.70	4.89	1.58	2.39	3.15	4.89	1.58	1.47			
Benmore	2.07	3.58	1.41	2.14	3.03	3.58	1.41	1.30			
Haywards 1 month ago	6.82	12.89	6.90	4.88	7.53	5.27	3.64	2.43			
Haywards 1 year ago	2.86	3.50	3.79	4.01	3.97	3.95	2.53	2.88			

M-co Electricity Price Index (c/kWh)										
New Zealand	3.80	4.43	5.22	4.99	4.56	4.76	4.56	4.39		
New Zealand 1 month ago	7.71	7.59	7.58	8.02	8.54	8.40	8.14	7.64		
New Zealand 1 year ago	3.84	3.84	3.90	3.84	3.77	3.80	3.71	3.69		

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	5-Oct Sun	6-Oct Mon	7-Oct Tue	8-Oct Wed	9-Oct Thu	10-Oct Fri	11-Oct Sat	12-Oct Sun
NZ Demand (GWh)								
Total	91.0	107.4	106.2	104.8	105.8	103.9	93.7	92.8
7 days ago	92.1	106.9	105.6	106.1	106.5	100.3	91.8	91.0
7 day change	-1.1%	0.4%	0.6%	-1.2%	-0.7%	3.6%	2.0%	2.0%
Total 1 month ago	102.4	116.6	115.0	114.2	115.4	109.8	98.4	94.5
Total 1 year ago	91.8	104.6	107.5	111.3	110.8	106.4	92.0	92.1

NZ Generation Output (GWh)								
NI Hydro	35.5	35.4	35.3	35.3	35.9	30.7	27.1	27.0
NI Other	32.9	33.2	33.1	33.4	33.4	31.0	26.8	26.2
SI Hydro	46.4	46.0	46.0	45.7	45.8	45.9	43.2	42.8
Total	114.8	114.6	114.4	114.4	115.1	107.6	97.1	96.1
NI Hydro 1 month ago	28.0	28.0	26.4	23.5	22.4	19.1	16.5	16.0
NI Other 1 month ago	39.1	21.6	21.0	20.9	20.9	21.6	21.8	22.3
SI Hydro 1 month ago	37.3	40.0	40.1	40.5	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
NI Hydro 1 year ago	16.9	22.3	22.0	23.3	22.3	21.3	21.5	20.2
NI Other 1 year ago	37.2	42.4	43.8	44.2	44.5	43.3	32.9	32.4
SI Hydro 1 year ago	40.7	43.3	45.2	47.4	47.5	45.1	40.6	42.4

Inter-Island Transmission Transfers (GWh)										
South to North	6.7	6.9	5.8	5.8	4.5	6.1	6.2	6.3		
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	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.1		
South to North 1 year ago	3.9	2.9	4.9	5.8	5.1	4.2	3.7	5.3		

Hydrology (GWh)								
Storage	2362.62	2374.24	2416.4	2449.52	2450.69	2447.02	2446.51	2438.73
% of average	104%	104%	105%	107%	106%	106%	106%	105%
Inflows (GWh/day)	137.4	95.1	98.0	125.8	102.5	85.0	76.4	63.7
% of average	179%	123%	126%	161%	130%	108%	96%	80%
Storage % of average 1 month age	73%	73%	73%	73%	73%	73%	73%	73%
Storage % of average 1 year ago	86%	87%	87%	87%	87%	87%	88%	89%

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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