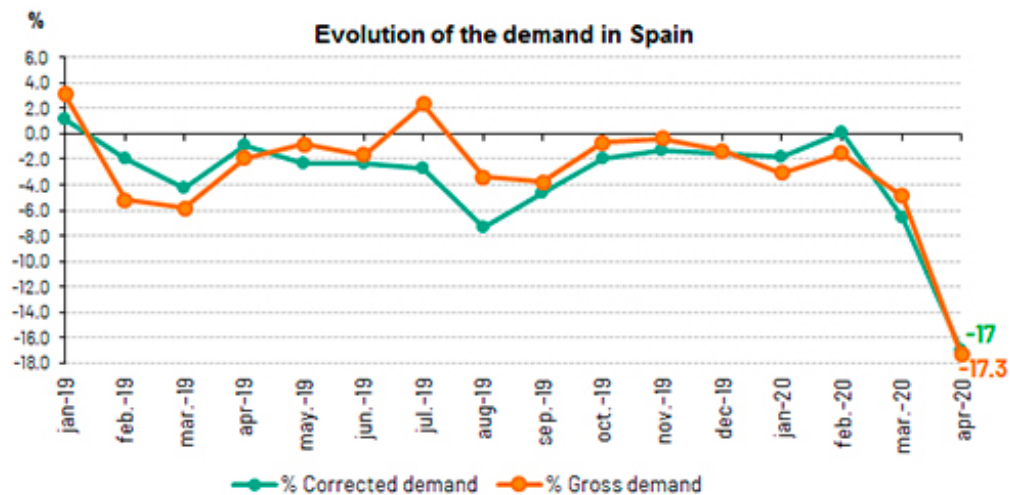


Demand for electricity in Spain falls 17.3% in April

- 47.9% of the monthly generation came from renewable sources and 72.6% was produced from technologies that do not emit CO₂ emissions.
- Demand for electricity in the Balearic Islands fell by 27.6% and in the Canary Islands by 20.3% compared to the same month in 2019.

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Following the usual calendar for the communication on the evolution of the monthly demand for electricity, Red Eléctrica de España publishes the data corresponding to the month of April; the first complete month under the state of emergency due to COVID-19, in which the drop in economic activity which began on 15 March continued. In this context, national electricity demand for April is estimated at 17,104 GWh, 17.3% less than that recorded for the same month of the previous year. After having factored in the influence of seasonal and working patterns, the figure fell 17% compared to April 2019.



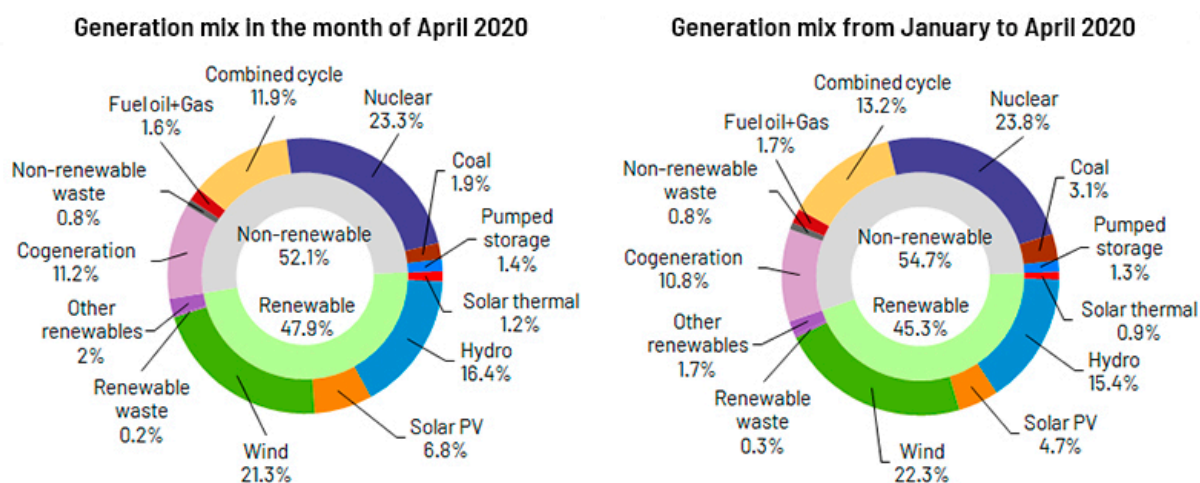
In the first four months of 2020, demand is estimated at 82,737 GWh, 6.5% less than in the same period in 2019. Again, after having factored in the influence of seasonal and working patterns, demand is 6.2% lower than in the same period last year.

In April, according to data estimated at the time of this press release, generation coming from renewable energy sources represented 47.9% of the total production. From January to April, overall renewable generation reached 45.3% of the total electricity generated.

72.6% of electricity generation during April was obtained using technologies which produce zero CO₂ emissions.



With information available as at the time of this press release, wind energy generation in April reached 3,730 GWh, a value 20% lower than in the same period last year, and this accounted for 21.3% of the total production nationwide.



Demand for electrical energy in the peninsular electricity system falls 17%

Demand for electrical energy in the peninsular electricity system in the month of April is estimated at 16,191 GWh, 17% lower than that recorded in the same month last year. After having factored in the influence of seasonal and working patterns, the demand for electricity dropped 16.7% compared to April 2019.

In the first four months of 2020, the demand for electricity on the Spanish peninsula is estimated at 78,319 GWh, 6.4% less than in 2019. Once again, after having factored in the influence of seasonal and working patterns, demand is 6.2% lower than that registered in the same period last year.

During the month, according to data estimated at the time of this press release, 49.7% of the peninsular generation came from renewable energy sources and 75.7% was obtained using technologies which produce zero CO₂ emissions. For its part, wind energy stood at 3,672 GWh, a figure that is 20.1% lower than that registered in April last year and contributed 22% to the generation mix.

Demand for electricity in April decreased 27.6% in the Balearic Islands and 20.3% in the Canary Islands.

In the Balearic Islands, the demand for electricity in April is estimated at 323,296 MWh, a value that is 27.6% lower than that registered in the same month last year. After having factored in the influence of seasonal and working patterns, the figure decreased by 27.6% with respect to April 2019. In the first four months of 2020, overall demand in the Balearic Islands is estimated at 1,586,386 MWh, 10.7% less than in 2019.

Combined cycle, with 78.3% of the total, was the leading source of electricity generation in the Balearic Islands, where renewable technologies and those which produce zero CO₂ emissions, accounted for 6.4%. Coal-fired generation was not used to produce a single MWh in April, a trend that has been maintained since the beginning of the year in the Balearic Islands system.

In regard to the Canary Islands, electricity demand is estimated at 558,619 MWh, 20.3% down on that registered in April 2019. After having factored in the influence of seasonal and working patterns, the figure drops by 20.2% with respect to the same month last year. So far in 2020, overall demand in the Canary Islands is estimated at 2,701,096 MWh, a decrease of 6% on the same period last year.



During April and according to current estimated data, combined cycle was the leading technology in the Canary Islands generation mix, with a contribution of 45.3%. Renewables and zero-emission technologies accounted for 14.3% of the generation on the Canary Islands.

Consult our [Daily Balance Report](#) for more information on the [National, Peninsular, Balearic Islands](#) and [Canary Islands](#) electricity systems as at the close of April.