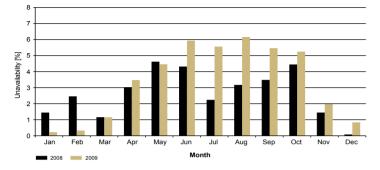
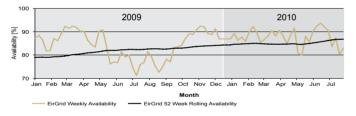
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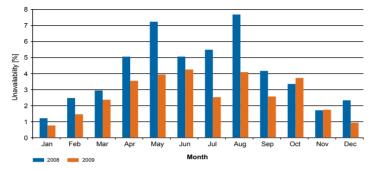
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SONI Transmission System Availability

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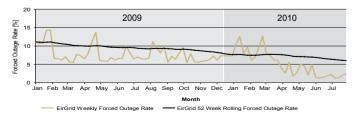


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52-Week Rolling & Weekly Forced Outage Rate - This graph contains data up to the 31 July 2010



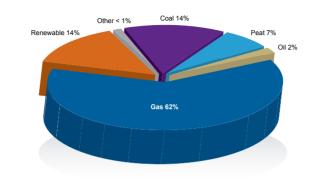
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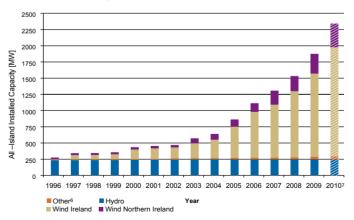
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Electricity Consumption & Renewable Capacity

All-Island Electricity Consumption by Generation Source⁵



Installed Renewable Capacity - This chart contains data up to the 31 July 2010



⁵ Source SEMO Market Data
⁶ Others include Landfill Gas and Biomass
⁷ Projected based on connection dates

⁴ Dispatchable Plant Only



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Overview of EirGrid plc

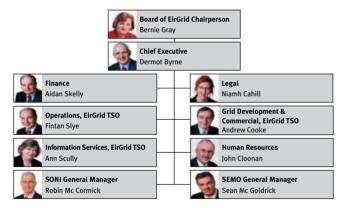
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EirGrid holds licences as independent electricity Transmission System Operator (TSO) and Market Operator (MO) in the wholesale trading system in Ireland, and is the owner of the System Operator Northern Ireland (SONI Ltd), the licenced TSO and market operator in Northern Ireland, which it acquired during 2009. The Single Electricity Market Operator (SEMO) is part of the EirGrid Group, and operates the Single Electricity Market on the island of Ireland.

In its role of TSO in Ireland, EirGrid operates and maintains a safe, secure, reliable, economical and efficient transmission system, as well as developing key infrastructural projects which are vital for the socio-economic development of the State. As TSO, EirGrid is regulated by the Commission for Energy Regulation (CER).

In its role of TSO in Northern Ireland, SONI Ltd has the responsibility of ensuring the safe, secure and economic operation of the high voltage electricity system. It is regulated by the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation (NIAUR). The organisational structure for the EirGrid Group is displayed below.

This booklet provides recent information on the Transmission System in Ireland and Northern Ireland.



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System Demand and Growth¹

Summer and Winter Record Load Curves – This graph contains data up to the 31 July 2010

5000 Evening Peak 4,950 MW 4750 4500 4250 4000 3750 3500 3250 3000 2750 2500 2250 Night Valley 1,786 MW 2000 . Evening Peak 1,745 MW 1750 1500 1250 1000 750 500 Night Valley 496 MW 250 00:00 02:00 04:00 06:00 08:00 10:00 12:00 14:00 16:00 18:00 20:00 22:00 Time ----- Ireland Summer Night Valley: 4 August 2008 ----- Northern Ireland Summer Night Valley. 12 July 2009 Ireland Evening Peak: 7 January 2010 ---- Northern Ireland Peak Demand 2010: 12 January 2010

Total Operational Generation Capacity - This table contains data up to the 31 July 2010

		Ireland		Northern Ireland	
	Dispatchable	Capacity [MW]	% of Total Capacity	Capacity [MW]	% of Total Capacity
Transmission System	Fully	6,183	78%	2,736	88%
	Non/Partially	744	9%	0	0
Distribution System	Fully	104	1%	28	1%
	Non/Partially	906	11%	351	11%
Total Operational Capacity [MW]		7,937		3,115	

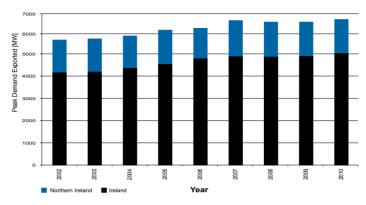
System Records – This table contains data up to the 31 July 2010

	Ireland		Northern Ireland		
Record	Date	Exported [MW]	Date	Exported [MW]	
Winter Night Valley	o8 January 2010	2,860	01 November 2009	605	
Summer Night Valley	04 August 2008	1,786	12 July 2009	496	
Mid - Day Peak	04 January 2008	4,368	11 January 2010	1,600	
Evening Peak	07 January 2010	4,950	12 January 2010	1,745	
Maximum Wind Generation	05 April 2010	1,120	04 July 2010	289	
Record	Year	Exported [GWh]	Date	Exported [GWh]	
Total Energy Production	2008 ²	28,341	2008 ²	9,257	

¹ Net/Exported Basis ² Note that 2008 was a leap year

Transmission System Information

Historical Peaks – This chart contains data up to the 31 July 2010



Transmission System Infrastructure - This table contains data up to the 31 December 2009

	Ireland		Northern Ireland	
Plant Type	No. of Items	Circuit Length [km]	No. of Items	Circuit Length [km]
110 kV Circuits	183	4,087	84	1,236
220 kV Circuits	53	1,835	n/a	n/a
275 kV Circuits	n/a	n/a	22	728
275 kV Tie-lines	2	19	2	75
400 kV Circuits	3	439	n/a	n/a
Circuit Total	241	6,380	108	2,039
Plant Type	No. of Items	Transformer Capacity [MVA]	No. of Items	Transformer Capacity [MVA]
110/33 kV Transformers	n/a	n/a	71	4,290
220/110 kV Transformers	39	7,064	n/a	n/a
275/110 kV Transformers	n/a	n/a	16	3,840
275/220 kV Transformers	3	1,200	n/a	n/a
400/220 kV Transformers	5	2,500	n/a	n/a
Transformer Total	47	10,764	87	8,130
Station Total	152		43	



Transmission System 400kV, 275kV, 200kV and 110kV

