

	2021/2022 YTD Outturn (€m)	2020/2021 YTD Outturn (€m)	2021/2022 Q1 Outturn (€m)	2020/2021 Q1 Outturn (€m)
CPREMIUM	55.3	34.0	55.3	34.0
CDISCOUNT	68.6	27.4	68.6	27.4
CABBPO	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
CAOPO	-2.0	-0.3	-2.0	-0.3
CTEST	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
CUNIMB	-3.3	-0.7	-3.3	-0.7
CCURL	-2.5	-0.4	-2.5	-0.4
<b>Dispatch Balancing Costs (DBC)</b>	<b>116.2</b>	<b>59.9</b>	<b>116.2</b>	<b>59.9</b>
<b>Fixed Cost Charges/Payments (CFC) <sup>[1]</sup></b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>5.6</b>
<b>Other System Charges (OSC) <sup>[2]</sup></b>	<b>-1.7</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>-1.7</b>	<b>-1.2</b>
<b>Imperfections Costs Outturn</b>	<b>129.7</b>	<b>64.3</b>	<b>129.7</b>	<b>64.3</b>
<b>Imperfections Costs Forecast</b>	<b>98.2</b>	<b>70.8</b>	<b>98.2</b>	<b>70.8</b>
<b>Variance: Forecast Vs. Outturn <sup>[3]</sup></b>	<b>31.5</b>	<b>-9.3</b>	<b>31.5</b>	<b>-9.3</b>
<b>Variance %</b>	<b>32.1%</b>	<b>-9.2%</b>	<b>32.1%</b>	<b>-9.2%</b>

### Key Points

- Costs for the 21/22 year are based on actual initial settlement figures. There will be variations in the final year-end figures as a result of resettlement, system defect fixes and Trading and Settlement Code modifications.
- The Imperfections Cost Forecast is profiled based on the RA approved model, which assumed zero payments for OSC.
- The Imperfections Cost Outturn is subject to fluctuation relative to the forecast.
- Costs for the 20/21 year are based on M+4 & M+13 settlement figures where available. <sup>[4]</sup>

Key Factors Affecting Imperfections Costs	Forecast Assumptions for TY2021 <sup>[11]</sup>	Actual TY2021	Impact <sup>[12]</sup>
T&S Code and System Changes	Data as per forecast submission	Changes as a result of Interim Modification Mod_16_21(29/11/20) have likely increased imperfections costs.	↑
Reserve Policy and TCGs <sup>[5]</sup>	TCG data as forecast per submission	There were still number of must run TCGs for system security reasons, which has increased imperfections costs.	↑
Reserve Provision	Data as per forecast submission	Inclusion of 145 MW (IE) battery reserve has resulted in a reduction of minimum regulating IE POR. This has lowered imperfection costs.	↓
System Demand	Data as per forecast submission	Actual system demand was broadly in line with the forecast. This typically had minimal impact on imperfections cost.	→
Forced Generation Outages	Data as per forecast submission	The average forced outage rate for the quarter was 20.79% <sup>[6]</sup> ; forecast assumed 22.19% forced outage rate. This difference had minimal impact on imperfections costs.	→
Scheduled Generation Outages	Data as per forecast submission	The scheduled generation outages were broadly in line with the forecast and had minimal impact on imperfection costs.	→
Forced Transmission Outages	No outages forecast	The unplanned outages increased imperfections costs.	↑
Scheduled Transmission Outages	Data as per forecast submission	The scheduled transmission outages were less than forecast and decreased imperfection costs.	↓
Commercial Offer data - Fuel Costs & Carbon <sup>[7]</sup>	Data as per forecast submission	Wholesale fuel prices for the quarter were as follows; Carbon: 55% higher than forecast, Coal: 129% higher than forecast, Gasoil: 33% higher than forecast, Gas: 284% higher than forecast, Oil: 52% higher than forecast. This difference increased imperfections costs for the period.	↑
Wind Variability	Data as per forecast submission	Installed all-island capacity at end of period: 5,576.1 MW <sup>[8]</sup> , which is slightly above forecast. The average wind capacity factor for the quarter was 30%, which is slightly below forecast. These had minimal impact on imperfection costs.	→

## Mitigation Measures

The following are a list of mitigation measures undergoing review to seek to increase downward pressure on imperfection costs:

1. Daily review of Non-Compliances / Performance Monitoring events e.g. trips;
2. Weekly review of imperfections costs and drivers;
3. On-going review of Reserve Policy and TCGs <sup>[5]</sup>;
4. Flexibility services as required;
5. Grid Code/ Trading and Settlement Code review and modifications;

## Notes

[1] The imperfections cost forecast includes an estimate for Make Whole Payments.

[2] Includes Other System Charges up to December 2021. Published at [www.eirgridgroup.com](http://www.eirgridgroup.com) and [www.soni.ltd.uk](http://www.soni.ltd.uk).

[3] Positive value indicates outturn is higher than forecast. Negative value indicates outturn is lower than forecast.

[4] M+13 have been completed up to week 36 FY 20/21 and M+4 have been completed for the FY 20/21.

[5] TCGs (Transmission Constraint Groups) or Operational constraints as published at [www.eirgridgroup.com](http://www.eirgridgroup.com) and [www.soni.ltd.uk](http://www.soni.ltd.uk).

[6] Calculated from the average monthly all-island forced outage rates from October 2021 to December 2021.

[7] The forecast and actual fuel and carbon costs were based on data taken from Thomson Reuters.

[8] The installed wind capacity is the September 2021 figure as published on [www.eirgridgroup.com](http://www.eirgridgroup.com) and <https://www.soni.ltd.uk>

[9] Forecast is over an annual time horizon. Information and figures are for this period unless otherwise stated. Forecast assumptions are published at: <http://www.semcommittee.eu>

[10] Increase from Forecast



Decrease from Forecast



No Change from Forecast



## Component Description

**Fixed Cost Charges/Payments:** Payments for additional fixed costs incurred, or charges for fixed costs saved from dispatching a unit differently to its market position, if not sufficiently covered through the unit's other payments or charges.

**Dispatch Balancing Costs:** are made up of the following components;

- **CPREMIUM:** Paid when an offer is scheduled in balancing (and delivered) at an offer price above the imbalance settlement price.
- **CDISCOUNT:** Paid when a bid is scheduled in balancing (and delivered) at a bid price below the imbalance settlement price.
- **CABBPO/ CAOPO:** Bid Price Only and Offer Price Only Payments and Charges, adjustment payment or charge to result in net settlement at the offer price for increments, or bid price for decrements, for undo actions on generators.
- **CCURL:** Adjustment payment or charge to result in net settlement at a specific curtailment price for curtailment actions on generators.
- **CTEST:** Charges applied to units under test.
- **CUNIMB:** Charges for imbalances, and bids and offers accepted in balancing but not delivered, which were outside of a tolerance. Undelivered quantities are settled at the imbalance settlement price.