

**6.2.9 2009 Peak Load and Capacity Margin, Summer and Winter by NERC Region (MW)**

NERC Region	Summer (1)		Winter (2)	
	Peak Load	Capacity Margin	Peak Load	Capacity Margin
TRE	63,518	16.7%	56,191	19.1%
FRCC	46,550	6.0%	53,022	2.0%
MRO (U.S.)	37,963	24.6%	35,351	26.8%
NPCC (U.S.)	55,944	29.1%	44,864	43.2%
RFC	161,241	25.2%	143,827	33.3%
SERC	191,032	24.6%	193,135	26.2%
SPP	41,465	16.4%	32,863	34.6%
WECC	128,245	19.4%	109,565	29.6%
U.S. TOTAL	725,958	22.2%	668,818	28.5%

Note(s): 1) Summer Demand includes the months of June, July, August, and September. 2) Winter Demand includes December of the previous year and January-March of the current year. 3) Capacity Margin is the amount of unused available capability of an electric power system at peak load as a percentage of net capacity resources. Net Capacity Resources: Utility- and IPP-owned generating capacity that is existing or in various stages of planning or construction, less inoperable capacity, plus planned capacity purchases from other resources, less planned capacity sales.

Source(s): EIA, Electric Power Annual 2010, Nov. 2011, Table 4.1a for peak load, Table 4.3.a for summer capacity margin, and Table 4.4.a for winter capacity margin.