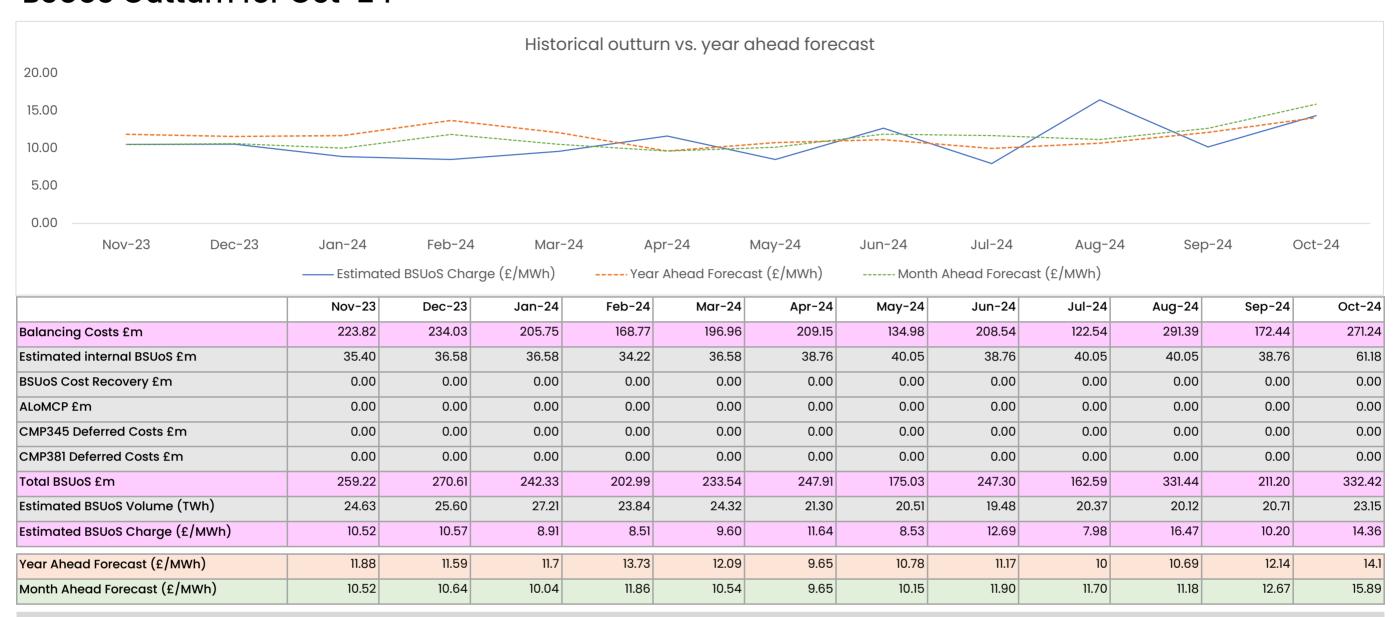


BSUoS Outturn for Oct-24



The blue line on the chart shows the estimated monthly average BSUoS charge for the past 12 months. The red line shows our forecast for each month, made at year ahead in the forecast produced in March. The green line shows our forecast for each month made at the month ahead stage.

The table shows a breakdown of the elements that make up the BSUoS charge (including volume). The total cost divided by the volume gives the estimated average charge.

October total balancing cost =£271m

Forecast for October published on 15 September= £291 million.

October outturn costs were around the 35th percentile of the forecast published on 15 September.

The outturn cost for October was 57% higher than the outturn for September (£172 million).

Constraints costs in October outturned £97m higher than constraints cost in September (£111m).

The proportion of demand met by renewables also increased by 6%, from 22% in September to 29% in October.

Constraints costs in October outturned £6m lower than the forecast for October published on 15 September.



We are continously working to improve our BSUoS forecasting methodology. Any major changes to methodology will be communicated to industry.

This dataset is designed to give an indicative review of the estimated monthly BSUoS charge against the forecast at year ahead and the forecast made at month ahead.

We welcome your feedback on what would be valuable to be included in this dataset as we develop the process. Please contact us at buos.gueries@nationalgrideso.com

As a result of the approval of CMP361/362, the BSUoS charge is a fixed tariff from 1 April 2023. Fixed Tariff 1 for Apr 2023 – Sep 2023 and Fixed Tariff 2 for Oct 2023 – Mar 2024 were published by the end of January 2023. Fixed Tariff 3 for Apr 2024 – Sep 2024 was published at the end of June 2023. Fixed Tariff 6 for Oct 2024 – Mar 2025 was published on the 22nd of December 2023. Fixed Tariff 5 for Apr 2025 – Sep 2024 and Draft Tariff 6 for Oct 2024 – Mar 2025 was published 28 June 2023.

Report showing BSUoS outturn against the fixed tariff can be found on our website: https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/charging/balancing-services-use-system-bsuos-charges

Actual BSUoS half hourly data can be found on our data portal: https://data.nationalgrideso.com/balancing/current-balancing-services-use-of-system-bsuos-data

Actual outturn Balancing Costs is published at a daily granularity on our data portal: https://data.nationalgrideso.com/balancing/bsuos-monthly-cost