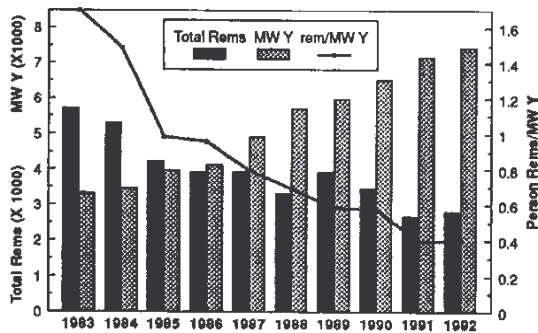


N251. Radiation Exposures in 1992

Overall radiation exposures in 1992 were similar to 1991; total person-rem were up slightly, but so was total power generated. In fact, 1992 was the all-time record breaker for power generated by nuclear power plants. The ratio of person-rem per MW-year was effectively the same as 1991 (see Figure). PWRs continued a downward trend in person-rem, but BWRs increased. In 1991 however, there was a significant drop in person-rem for both PWRs and BWRs. It may be that more outages occurred in 1992 than in 1991, which would account for the 1992 increase for BWRs. The three year rolling averages, however, continue to trend downward.

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