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Registry Operator Monthly Report

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As required by the ICANN/Neustar Registry Agreements, this report provides an overview of Neustar Registry activity through the end of the reporting month. The information is primarily presented in table and chart format with text explanations as deemed necessary. Information is provided in the order as listed in Appendix 4 of the Registry Agreement.



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1. Accredited Registrar Status

Table 1 shows the number of ICANN accredited registrars, grouped into the following three status categories:

Operational Registrars: Those who have authorized access into the system for processing domain name registrations.

Registrars in Ramp-up: Those who have received a password to access the Registry operational test and evaluation (OT&E) environment.

Registrars in the Pre-Ramp-up Period: Those who have been sent information regarding the Registry TLD, but have not yet entered the Ramp-up Period.

Table 1: Accredited Registrar Status

Status	Number of Registrars
Operational Registrars	357
Registrars in Ramp Up	12
Registrars in Pre-Ramp Up	1

2. SLA Performance

SLR	Requirement	Actual
Service Availability – SRS	99.900%	100.000%
Service Availability – Nameservers	99.999%	100.000%
Service Availability- Whois	99.950%	100.000%
Planned Outage Duration - SRS	8 hours	0 min
Planned Outage Duration - Nameservers	None	0 min
Planned Outage Duration - Whois	8 hours	0 min
Extended Planned Outage Duration – SRS	18 hours	0 min
Extended Planned Outage Duration - Nameservers	None	0 min
Extended Planned Outage Duration - Whois	18 hours	0 min
Processing Time - Add, Modify, Delete of all objects	3000 ms for 95%	99.997% < 3000ms
Processing Time – Query Domain	1500 ms for 95%	99.991% < 1500ms
Processing Time – Whois Query	1500 ms for 95%	100.000% < 1500ms
Processing Time - Nameserver Resolution	1500 ms for 95%	100.000% < 1500ms
Update Frequency – Nameserver	15 minutes for 95%	99.982% < 15 min
Update Frequency - Whois	15 minutes for 95%	100.000% < 15 min





3. Top Level Domain Zone File Access Activity

New Passwords: 4

Total Passwords: 828

4. Major Software Releases

None

5. Whois Service Activity

Table 3 shows the number of Whois queries over the last 12 months.

Month-Year	Free Whois Queries	
December 2011	58,832,937	
January 2012	65,519,268	
February 2012	66,585,031	
March 2012	82,375,312	
April 2012	74,267,200	
May 2012	62,764,236	
June 2012	68,422,935	
July 2012	71,847,800	
August 2012	82,965,279	
September 2012	79,328,142	
October 2012	75,552,345	
November 2012	75,338,455	

Table 3: Whois Service Activity



6. Total Number of Transactions by Subcategory

Table 4 shows the monthly growth trend for each transaction in subcategories of the Write Domain, Write Server, and Write Contact categories described in Subsection 9 as follows:

- 10.1. Add Domain
- 10.2. Delete Domain
- 10.3. Modify Domain
- 10.4. Check Domain
- 10.5. Renew Domain
- 10.6. Transfer Domain
- 10.7. Restore Domain

Table 4: Total Number of Transactions by Subcategory

Transaction Subcategory		June '12	July '12	Aug '12	Sept '12	Oct '12	Nov '12
	Check	67,819	67,960	2,146,053	92,276,441	159,358	117,413
	Create	163,730	206,323	170,144	248,048	336,471	302,548
Contact	Delete	5,506	6,997	6,321	5,076	6,615	5,222
Contact	Info	1,781,950	2,083,925	1,794,208	2,498,380	2,695,158	2,780,577
	Transfer	388	420	202	222	333	373
	Update	283,181	467,470	369,892	467,142	433,127	508,423
	Check	67,358,317	63,927,489	61,495,480	88,458,625	101,111,280	91,662,596
	Create	140,998,518	46,239,234	41,379,561	68,512,119	41,019,590	28,989,669
	Delete	403,955	423,820	442,780	443,230	425,043	488,017
Domain	Info	11,305,414	4,996,640	18,608,154	18,559,091	39,906,667	7,506,957
	Renew	31,135	30,041	31,154	74,506	107,113	93,214
	Transfer	139,037	268,108	393,768	494,951	721,422	596,872
	Update	738,850	744,357	457,969	775,204	1,339,844	2,019,311
	Check	192,141	268,509	514,703	323,337	324,179	358,415
	Create	24,517	28,385	30,204	44,240	53,294	59,061
Server	Delete	9,881	13,065	11,786	11,881	12,537	13,830
	Info	39,483	27,837	32,928	45,141	76,673	64,571
	Update	2,247	2,850	2,007	9,628	13,641	13,729



7. Daily Transaction Range

Table 5 shows the range of transaction volume for each month along with the average daily transaction volume over the last 12 months.

Table 5: Daily Transaction Range						
Month-Year High		Low	Average			
Dec-11	14,001,482	3,274,983	6,915,476			
Jan-12	41,109,077	3,691,122	8,300,761			
Feb-12	8,203,066	3,206,272	5,696,275			
Mar-12	12,774,492	2,174,198	8,065,368			
Apr-12	54,815,656	4,674,773	17,838,231			
May-12	12,598,417	2,443,051	7,406,971			
Jun-12	11,836,415	2,625,607	7,451,536			
Jul-12	7,517,094	2,571,003	3,864,627			
Aug-12	5,639,306	3,110,166	4,125,397			
Sep-12	20,774,041	3,627,188	9,108,242			
Oct-12	10,062,444	3,710,621	6,088,463			
Nov-12	5,574,139	3,274,087	4,675,200			

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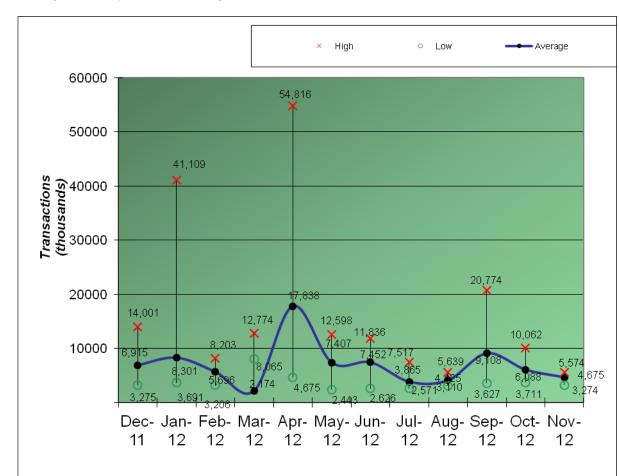


Figure 1: Daily Transaction Range

