

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	299
Registrars in Ramp Up	18
Registrars in Pre-Ramp Up	8





2. SLA Performance

Table 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
Planned outage timeframe – SRS	0600-1400 UTC Saturday or Sunday	N/A
Planned outage timeframe – Nameserver	N/A	N/A
Planned outage timeframe – WHOIS	0600-1400 UTC Saturday or Sunday	N/A
Planned Outage Notification-SRS	3 days	N/A
Planned Outage Notification-Nameserver	N/A	N/A
Planned Outage Notification-WHOIS	3 days	N/A
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%	99.970% < 3000ms
Processing Time – Query Domain	1500 ms for 95%	99.975% < 1500ms
Processing Time – Whois Query	1500 ms for 95%	100.000% < 1500ms
Processing Time - Nameserver Resolution	1500 ms for 95%	99.913% < 1500ms
Update Frequency – Nameserver	15 minutes for 95%	100.000% < 15 min
Update Frequency - Whois	15 minutes for 95%	100.000% < 15 min

3. Top Level Domain Zone File Access Activity

New Passwords: 7

Total Passwords: 909

4. Major Software Releases

None





5. Whois Service Activity

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

Table 3: Whois Service Activity

Month-Year	Free Whois Queries		
October 2013	105,013,304		
November 2013	115,370,698		
December 2013	111,087,584		
January 2014	112,759,293		
February 2014	86,917,942		
March 2014	97,352,476		
April 2014	95,560,320		
May 2014	95,248,711		
June 2014	104,449,229		
July 2014	113,995,031		
August 2014	120,927,829		
September 2014	119,075,373		





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		Apr '14	May '14	Jun '14	Jul '14	Aug '14	Sept '14
	Check	114,639	104,459	73,824	73,830	74,978	83,390
	Create	455,558	541,345	663,749	645,652	799,925	932,112
Contact	Delete	3,071	3,238	3,303	3,152	3,969	3,852
Contact	Info	4,325,776	3,581,094	3,590,839	4,471,592	4,680,905	6,126,872
	Transfer	8	0	8	24	0	28
	Update	733,081	669,593	1,751,885	727,407	888,045	583,471
	Check	133,791,847	118,358,417	95,024,188	103,788,479	103,183,547	107,601,162
	Create	8,720,771	15,219,588	16,173,976	17,358,633	21,967,034	6,939,509
	Delete	89,870	82,801	78,246	84,738	92,172	107,241
Domain	Info	7,065,516	6,941,069	4,884,064	6,443,688	5,686,010	9,806,643
	Renew	85,369	82,055	78,670	88,493	84,223	124,777
	Transfer	391,788	409,090	190,574	222,631	654,533	183,850
	Update	827,258	782,400	729,504	747,294	795,730	1,146,869
	Check	577,813	633,243	673,447	727,986	632,237	975,734
	Create	82,816	80,509	77,888	85,162	85,755	86,616
Server	Delete	4,323	4,587	4,775	5,498	5,206	6,659
	Info	868,594	526,530	84,482	990,439	981,329	1,980,963
	Update	23,935	19,249	26,315	35,195	35,846	43,741





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.

Month-Year	High	Low	Average	
Oct-13	9,951,247	3,295,770	5,512,390	
Nov-13	11,750,960	3,458,333	5,169,704	
Dec-13	6,770,781	3,465,923	5,109,118	
Jan-14	9,544,022	3,629,706	6,281,465	
Feb-14	9,642,058	6,061,730	7,605,402	
Mar-14	10,001,585	3,352,069	5,776,442	
Apr-14	11,496,590	3,470,036	5,272,068	
May-14	8,853,054	956,906	4,775,460	
Jun-14	5,714,175	635,739	4,136,991	
Jul-14	6,983,223	4,302,062	5,681,429	
Aug-14	10,791,815	3,224,312	4,537,143	
Sep-14	5,936,442	3,107,291	4,557,783	

Figure 1: Daily Transaction Range



