

# **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	<b>Number of Registrars</b>		
Operational Registrars	302		
Registrars in Ramp Up	11		
Registrars in Pre-Ramp Up	6		





### 2. SLA Performance

Table 2: SLR Performance

SLR	Requirement	Actual
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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%	99.991% < 3000ms
Processing Time – Query Domain	1500 ms for 95%	99.992% < 1500ms
Processing Time – Whois Query	1500 ms for 95%	100.000% < 1500ms
Processing Time - Nameserver Resolution	1500 ms for 95%	99.700% < 1500ms
Update Frequency – Nameserver	15 minutes for 95%	100.00% < 15 min
Update Frequency - Whois	15 minutes for 95%	100.00% < 15 min

### 3. Top Level Domain Zone File Access Activity

New Passwords: 5

Total Passwords: 926

## 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		
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		
October 2014	146,851,034		
November 2014	108,539,250		
December 2014	105,984,065		
January 2015	100,800,159		
February 2015	88,859,159		
March 2015	111,886,142		





### 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		Oct '14	Nov '14	Dec '14	Jan '15	Feb '15	Mar '15
	Check	539,162	76,724	64,783	67,692	65,765	86,371
	Create	1,070,805	1,113,470	1,106,055	1,228,151	1,235,924	1,640,999
Contact	Delete	2,456	3,239	3,017	3,165	2,902	2,889
Contact	Info	5,899,874	6,297,653	5,286,155	4,078,145	5,236,479	6,148,766
	Transfer	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Update	596,797	1,326,477	559,303	591,269	500,380	576,609
	Check	123,483,807	92,840,171	70,234,457	77,248,993	83,227,099	79,240,605
	Create	13,151,170	15,361,036	5,365,923	5,843,849	7,897,779	9,181,896
	Delete	168,730	187,312	100,109	87,989	86,739	112,433
Domain	Info	8,614,853	7,678,295	5,744,426	5,195,903	5,898,050	9,799,808
	Renew	99,627	99,219	82,267	98,440	88,452	102,717
	Transfer	333,832	220,894	386,113	324,307	425,699	681,002
	Update	917,928	966,046	732,402	789,866	832,105	879,411
	Check	705,105	754,932	585,817	580,833	696,512	723,814
	Create	93,158	89,467	89,161	85,535	76,247	85,073
Server	Delete	5,811	5,706	5,611	5,455	1,318,272	890,739
	Info	1,273,728	1,103,824	978,686	804,215	1,016,551	1,014,710
	Update	41,015	30,154	25,470	15,524	31,552	890,312





#### 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	
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	
Oct-14	6,670,135	3,646,435	5,064,447	
Nov-14	9,399,279	2,508,709	4,271,821	
Dec-14	4,707,057	2,058,677	2,946,766	
Jan-15	3,659,278	2,297,645	3,130,624	
Feb-15	11,878,733	3,780,469	5,257,169	
Mar-15	8,601,826	3,897,316	4,946,399	

Figure 1: Daily Transaction Range



