

## **.nz NEWSLETTER – JANUARY 2005**

### **:: DNC OFFICE ::**

In December, the number of active .nz domain names increased from 171,807 to 174,061, a net increase of 2,254.

### **.nz Statistics**

Annual statistics for the end of the 2004 calendar year are now available at <http://dnc.org.nz/story/30128-51-1.html>.

During 2004 there was a gain of 31,593 domain names for the year. This is the highest annual gain since the 2000 calendar year when there was a gain of 35,735 domain names. Figures in the table below demonstrate how strong domain name growth was in 2004.

	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
Annual Growth	21,635	31,593
Annual Growth Rate %	18%	22%
Average Monthly Growth	1,803	2,633
Lowest Monthly Gain	821	1,624
Highest Monthly Gain	3,013	3,823

### **NZOC Minutes**

The minutes for the .nz Oversight Committee meeting held on Wednesday 15 December 2004 are available at: [http://dnc.org.nz/content/minutes\\_NZOC\\_15\\_Dec\\_04.pdf](http://dnc.org.nz/content/minutes_NZOC_15_Dec_04.pdf)

### **Current Consultations**

#### *Whois Policy Review*

As advised previously the Whois Working Group has developed a draft revised Whois policy which has been available for public consultation on the DNC website at [http://dnc.org.nz/content/whois\\_draft\\_1.pdf](http://dnc.org.nz/content/whois_draft_1.pdf). The consultation is due to end on 31 January.

Submissions on the draft policy can be sent to [policies@dnc.org.nz](mailto:policies@dnc.org.nz) by **5pm on Monday 31 January 2005**.

For an overview and further information about the review go to <http://dnc.org.nz/whois-review>  
All submissions received will be published on that page.

## Dispute Resolution Process

A consultation paper regarding options for a dispute resolution process for .nz domain names can be read at [http://dnc.org.nz/content/DRP\\_consultation\\_paper.pdf](http://dnc.org.nz/content/DRP_consultation_paper.pdf). Comments are being sought on the options provided or any alternative options people can suggest.

Submissions can be sent to [policies@dnc.org.nz](mailto:policies@dnc.org.nz) by **5pm on Monday 28 February 2005**.

Go to <http://dnc.org.nz/dispute-resolution> for an overview and further information on the review. Submissions to the consultation will also be published on that page.

## Roles and Responsibilities Policy

The Roles and Responsibilities policy is currently under review. The latest version of the draft revised policy can be seen at: [http://dnc.org.nz/content/draft\\_RAR\\_for\\_comment.pdf](http://dnc.org.nz/content/draft_RAR_for_comment.pdf)

All comments on this revised policy are welcome and can be sent to [policies@dnc.org.nz](mailto:policies@dnc.org.nz) by **5pm on Monday 21 February 2005**.

## Statistics

Figures as at 31 December 2004:

	<i>Active names as at 1 December</i>	<i>Active names as at end 31 December</i>	<i>New registrations December</i>	<i>Renewals December</i>	<i>Change over month</i>
.ac	948	967	23	224	19
.co	145725	147736	3220	40772	2011
.cri	27	27	0	5	0
.geek	624	637	22	260	13
.gen	921	934	16	119	13
.govt	724	728	7	235	4
.iwi	51	54	3	12	3
.maori	361	373	16	61	12
.mil	16	16	0	6	0
.net	10177	10184	285	2372	7
.org	9941	10098	215	2563	157
.school	2292	2307	23	1009	15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>171807</b>	<b>174061</b>	<b>3830</b>	<b>47611</b>	<b>2254</b>

Note: these figures do not include names in the 'pendingrelease' status. They incorporate all active domain names in the .nz register. For more statistics, see <http://dnc.org.nz/statistics>

## **:: .nz REGISTRY SERVICES ::**

### **SRS Availability**

System availability for December was 99.98%, against the SLA standard of 99.9%

<b>SRS Availability</b>	<b>October</b>	<b>November</b>	<b>December</b>
%	99.97	99.99	99.98

### **SRS Response Times**

Response time performance figures on the production environment for the previous three months were:

<b>Avg Response time (in seconds)</b>	<b>October</b>	<b>November</b>	<b>December</b>
Domain Details Query	0.43	0.44	0.52
Domain Update	0.39	0.41	0.41
Domain Create	0.46	0.33	0.45
GetMessage performance	0.35	0.41	0.34
GetMessage (volume 000's)	38	37	39
Whois	0.19	0.18	0.18
Whois queries at back end including Registrar (volume 000's)	929	949	951
Whois Server Queries (volume 000's)	259	253	231
UDAI Valid Query	0.24	0.24	0.23

### **DNS Availability**

<b>DNS Availability</b>	<b>October</b>	<b>November</b>	<b>December</b>
%	100	100	100

## Unscheduled Outages

In December there were four unscheduled outages with a total outage time of 7 minutes.

	Date	Time	Description	Outage Time	Status
1.	03/12/2004	18:51 -18:53	The FE-Replication stopped at 18:51, and was restarted automatically at 18.53	2 minutes	Resolved
2.	06/12/2004	05:59 - 06:01	Due to multiple low level events the SRS was left operating on two backend servers. During this period there were several short outages	1 minute	Resolved
3.	09/12/2004	01:56 - 01:58	The FE-Replication stopped at 01:56, and was restarted automatically at 01.58	2 minutes	Resolved
4.	14/12/2004	10:41 - 10:43	The FE-Replication stopped at 10:41, and was restarted automatically at 10.43	2 minutes	Resolved

## Scheduled Outages and Updates

There was one scheduled outage during December.

Date	Time	Description	Outage Time
19/12/04	07:00 - 09:00	The SRS software was upgraded to release-1-15-0	2 Hours

## Any Comments?

If you have any questions or concerns about the SRS, please don't hesitate to contact us. For registry or technical matters, contact Nick Griffin at [support@nzrs.net.nz](mailto:support@nzrs.net.nz). For all other matters, contact Debbie Monahan at [info@dnc.org.nz](mailto:info@dnc.org.nz).

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