

## .nz NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2006

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In March the number of active .nz domain names increased from 216,353 to 221,433, a net increase of 5,080.

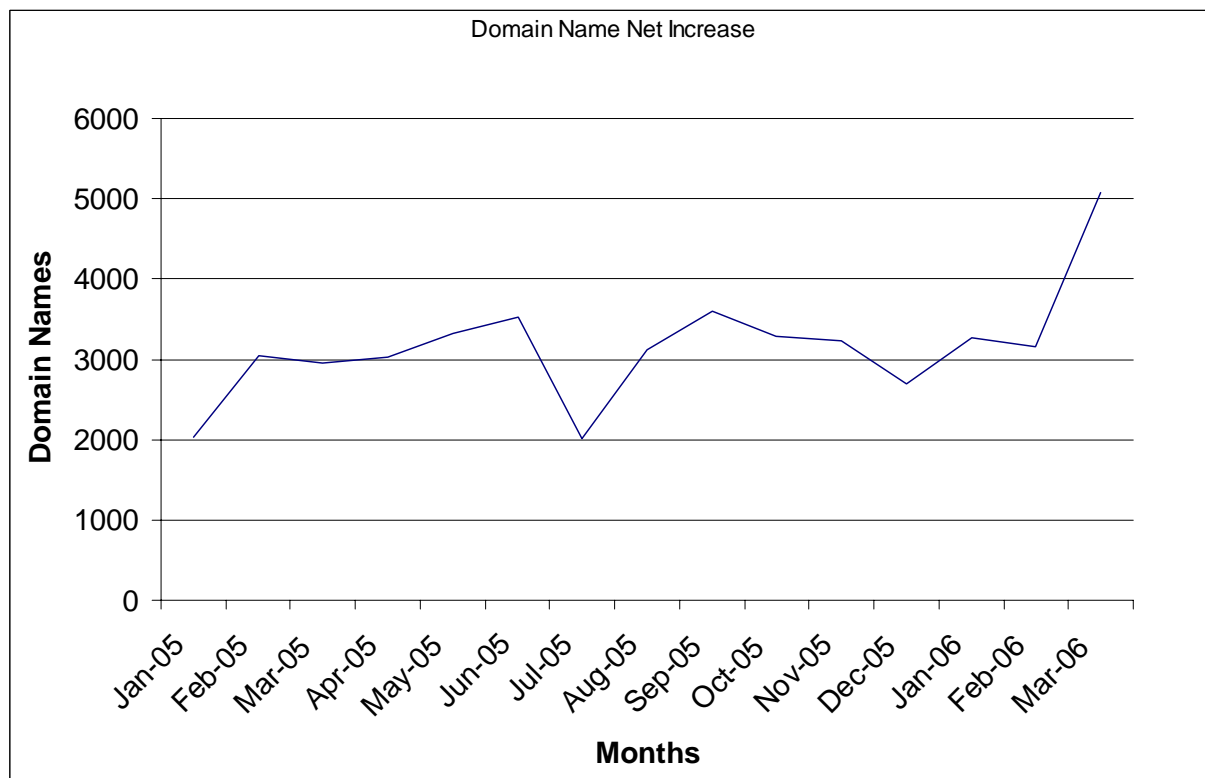
#### A Big March

The month of March saw some big numbers with a large number of new domains created and the biggest monthly net increase in .nz domain names in the .nz registry's history.

There was a net increase of 5,080 whilst there were 7,938 new domain names created. This is the largest net increase by over 1000 domain names, the second largest increase being 3,823 which happened in July 2004.

Over the last year we have been averaging 5,500 creates a month. This puts the figures for March at about 1,500 (27%) over what we have been running at.

The rise in net increase and creates may be attributed to a raised awareness of domain names due to the ICANN conference.



## Statistics

Figures as at 31 March 2006:

	<i>Active names as at 1 March</i>	<i>Active names as at end 31 March</i>	<i>New registrations March</i>	<i>Renewals March</i>	<i>Change over month</i>
.ac	1138	1153	23	281	15
.co	184808	189123	6799	48706	4315
.cri	25	25	0	9	0
.geek	702	832	135	163	130
.gen	954	960	19	287	6
.govt	830	827	5	397	-3
.iwi	55	56	1	11	1
.maori	401	404	12	68	3
.mil	22	22	0	8	0
.net	12364	12719	515	3052	355
.org	12597	12829	394	3008	232
.school	2457	2483	35	1143	26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>216353</b>	<b>221433</b>	<b>7938</b>	<b>57133</b>	<b>5080</b>

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

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### SRS Availability

System availability for March was 99.85%, against the SLA standard of 99.9%

<b>SRS Availability</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>March</b>
%	99.95	98.64	99.85

### 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>January</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>March</b>
Domain Details Query	0.07	0.06	0.06
Domain Update	0.59	0.44	0.43

Domain Create	0.63	0.52	0.54
GetMessage performance	0.04	0.04	0.04
Whois	0.17	0.17	0.16
Whois queries at back end including Registrar (volume 000's)	1,767	1,640	1891
Whois Server Queries (volume 000's)	385	286	281
UDAI Valid Query	0.24	0.23	0.23

### DNS Availability

DNS Availability	January	February	March
%	100	100	100

### Unscheduled Outages

Outage	Duration
15 March – Extreme high load	29 minutes and 54 seconds
28 March – Hardware Failure	26 minutes and 29 seconds
Micro Outages for the Month	9 minutes and 12 seconds

### Scheduled Outages and Updates

There were two scheduled maintenance windows utilised in March after the February one was rescheduled to 5 March.

**The next scheduled outage is on 30 April 07:00 – 09:00**

### 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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