

# Identifier Technology Health Indicators (ITHI)

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# ITHI Principles of Operation

- Technical focus
- Problem areas → Metrics → Measurement
- Current value and trend over time
  - Automated process to collect & analyse data
- Measurement, not interpretation
- Extraction of statistics to avoid data privacy issues
- Open source tools & results

# 7 Metrics and Data Sources

| Metric | Name                               | Data Source   |
|--------|------------------------------------|---|
| M1:    | inaccuracy of Whois Data           | ICANN compliance dept.  |
| M2:    | Domain Name Abuse                  | ICANN's DAAR Project<br><a href="https://www.icann.org/octo-ssr/daar">https://www.icann.org/octo-ssr/daar</a> |
| M3:    | DNS Root Traffic Analysis          | Scans of DNS root traffic   |
| M4:    | DNS Recursive Server Analysis      | Scan of recursive resolvers traffic   |
| M5:    | (TBD)                              | (TBD)   |
| M6:    | IANA registries for DNS parameters | Scan of recursive resolvers traffic   |
| M7:    | DNSSEC Deployment                  | Snapshots of DNS root zone  |

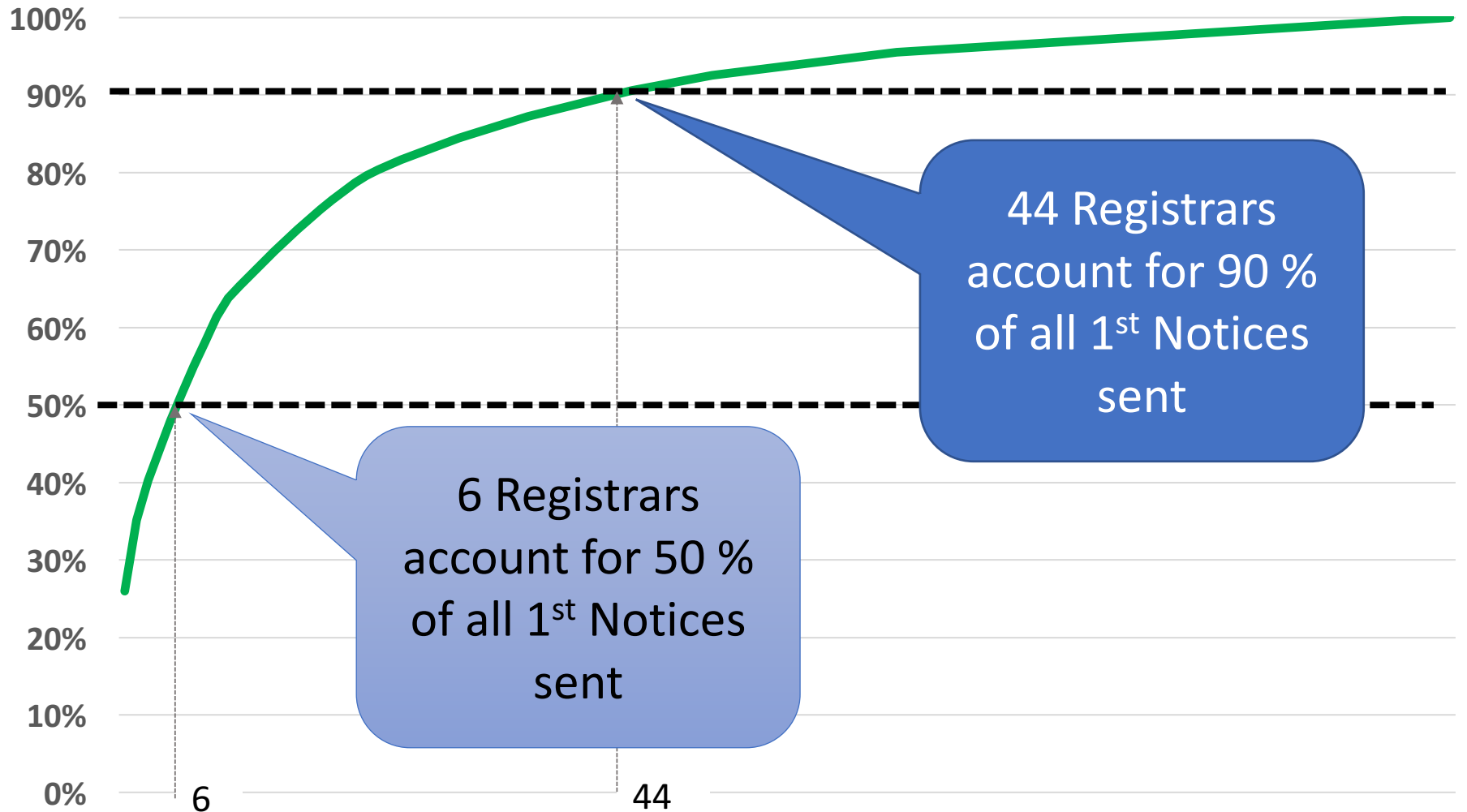
# ITHI Time Line

- 2017: definition of metrics, prototype tool chain.
- Jan-Feb 2018: initial captures: M1, M2, M3, and M7
  - Initial result from small set of sources M4 and M6
- Mar 2018: first data presented at ICANN meeting
- Next steps:
  - Jun 2018: M5
  - pipeline automation, publish metrics on ICANN web site

# M1: Inaccuracy of Whois Data

| M1 metric name   | Current value |
|--|---------------|
| M1.1 = Number of “validated complaints” per million registrations. | 5.9           |

# Concentration of 1<sup>st</sup> Notices



Total number of registrars: 1954

X Axis: Registrars, ranked by number of 1<sup>st</sup> notices they received

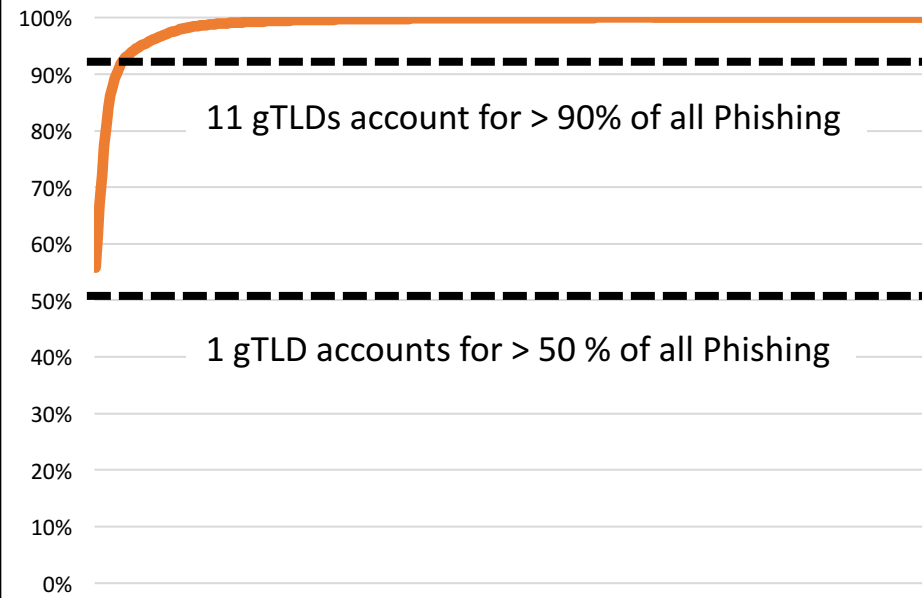
# M2.\*: Number of Abused Domain per 10,000 Registrations

Data from  
01/31/2018

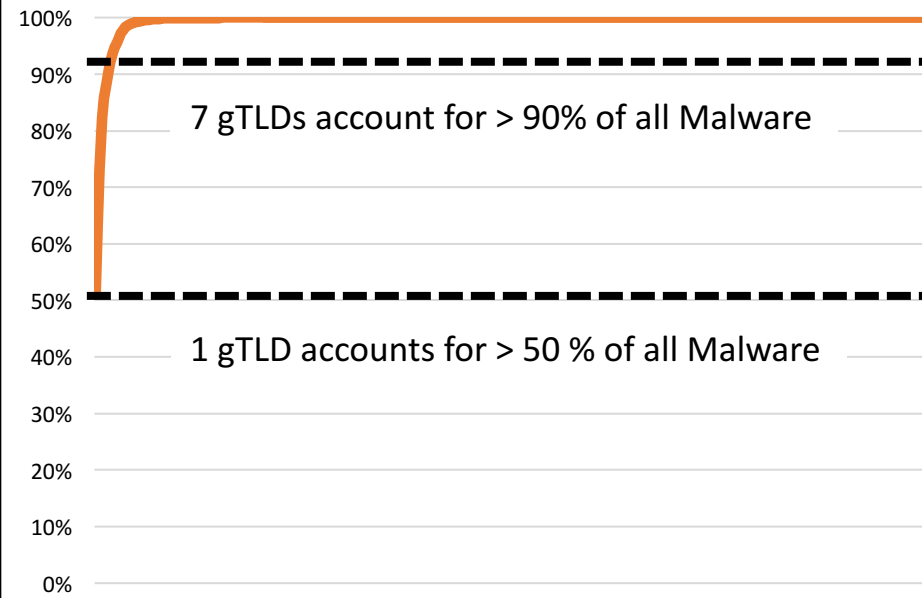
| M2 metric name   | Global Average |
|--|----------------|
| M2.1 = number of Phishing Domains per 10000 registered domain names    | 4.28           |
| M2.2 = number of Malware Domains per 10,000 registered domain names    | 3.28           |
| M2.3 = number of Botnet C&C Domains per 10,000 registered domain names | 2.89           |
| M2.4 = number of Spam Domains per 10,000 registered domain names       | 86.73          |

Total number of gTLDs: 1143, Total number of registrars: 1952

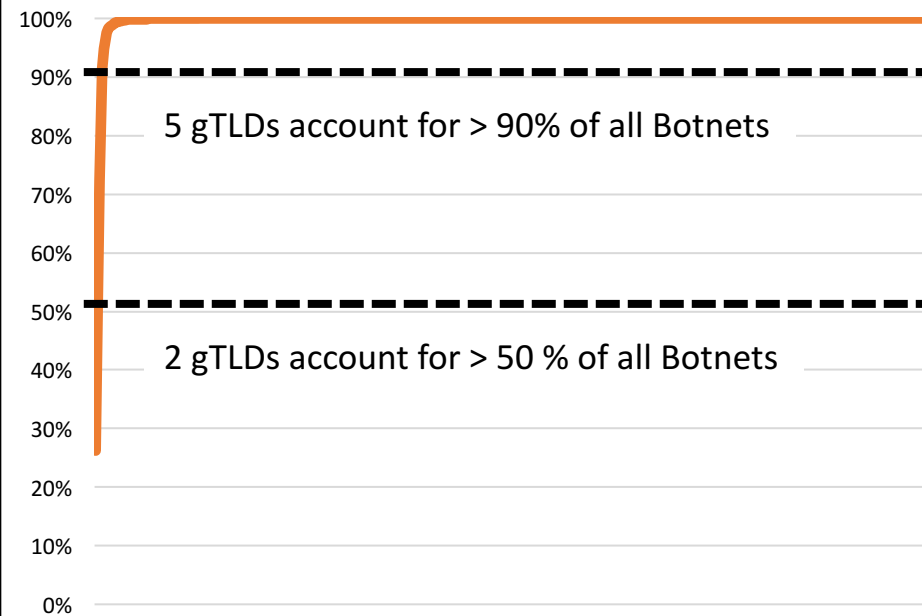
## Phishing



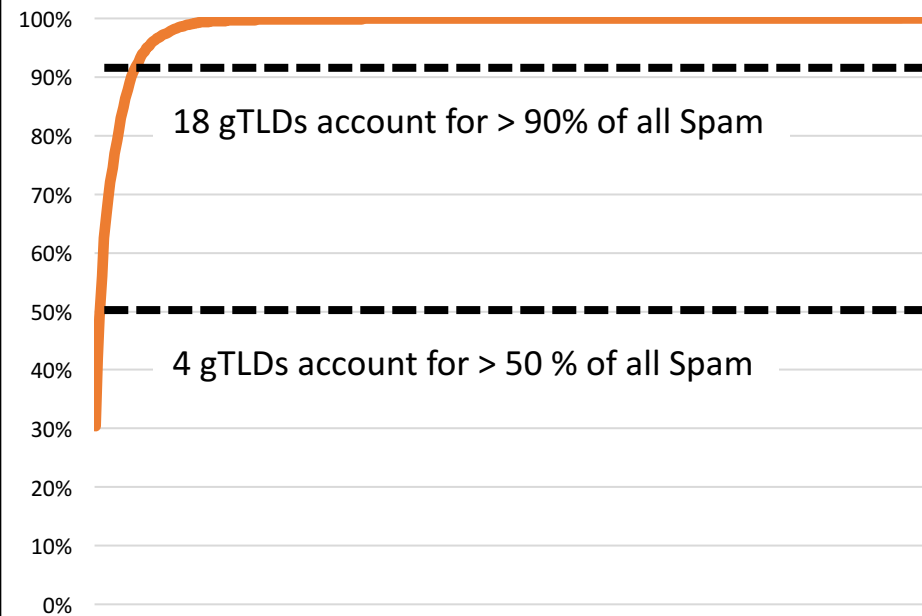
## Malware



## Botnets C&C

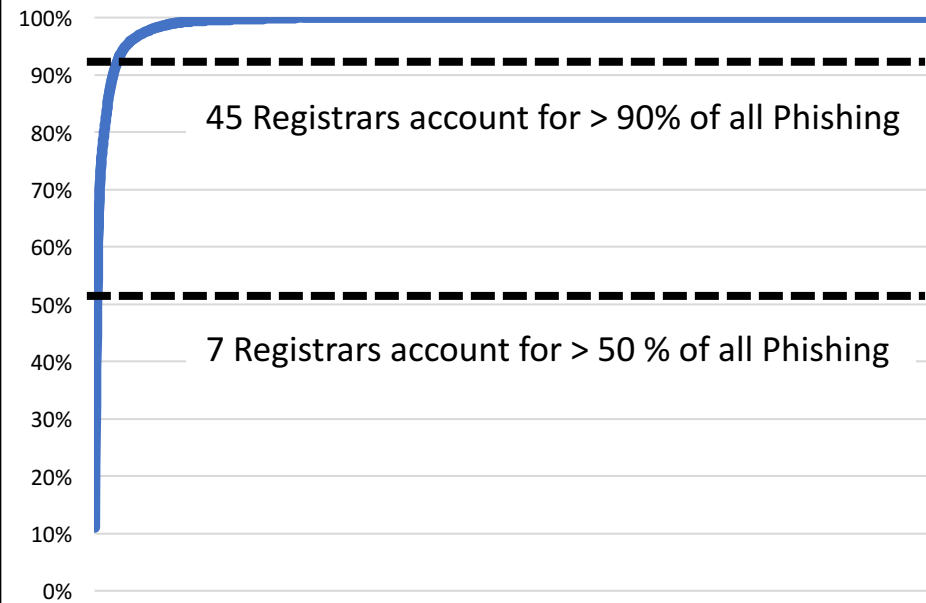


## Spam

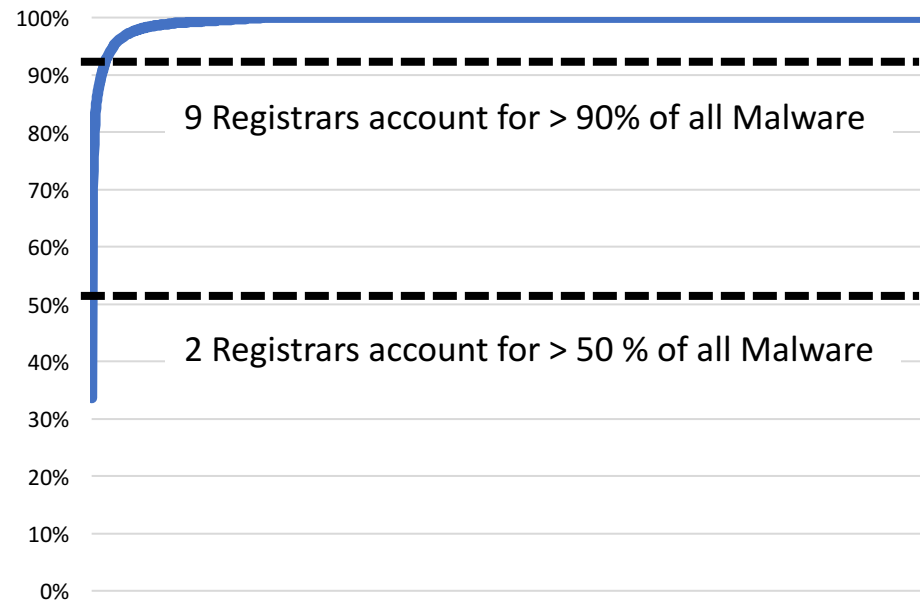




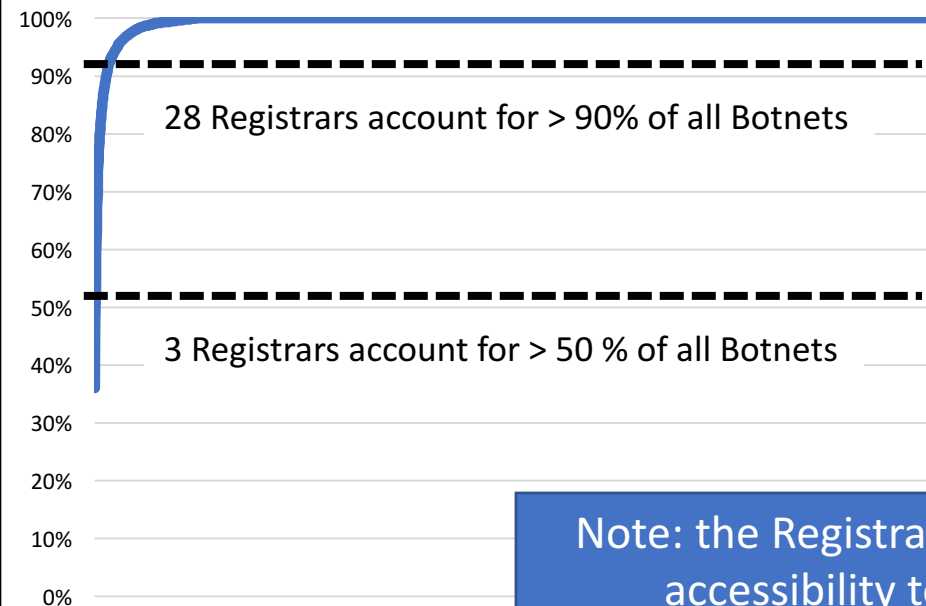
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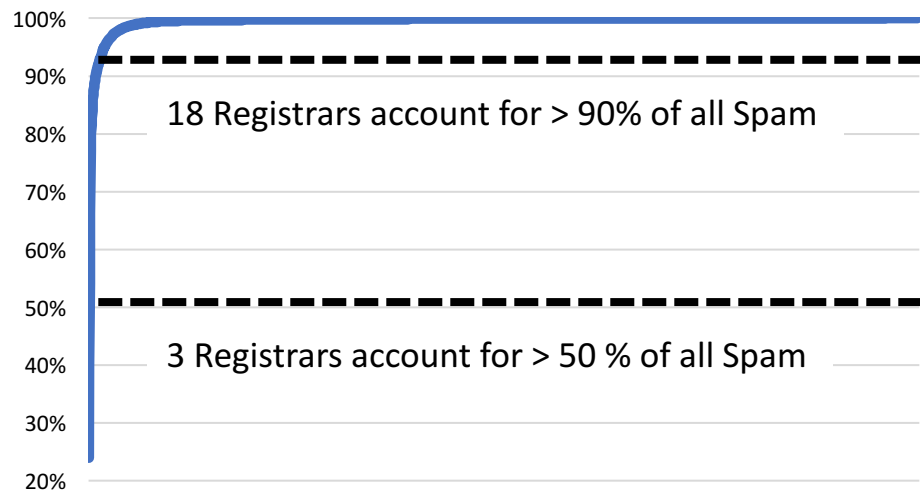
## Malware



## Botnet



## Spam



Note: the Registrar data is gated by accessibility to whois data

# M2.\*: Concentration of Abuse

| Abuse    | gTLD50 | Registrar50 | gTLD90 | Registrar90 |
|----------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| Phishing | 1      | 7           | 11     | 45          |
| Malware  | 1      | 2           | 7      | 9           |
| Botnet   | 2      | 3           | 5      | 28          |
| Spam     | 4      | 3           | 18     | 18          |

Table shows the number of TLDs/Registrars to account for > 50%/90% of all abuse of the specified type.

Total number of gTLDs: 1143, Total number of registrars: 1952\*

(\*) We removed two parking registrars from those statistics

# M3: Root Traffic Analysis

| Metric                          | Current       | Average       |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| M3.1 (% No Such Domain queries) | <b>64.44%</b> | <b>64.83%</b> |
| M3.2 (% cacheable queries)      | <b>28.94%</b> | <b>28.77%</b> |
| Core (100% - M3.1 - M3.2)       | <b>6.63%</b>  | <b>6.40%</b>  |



| Components of M3.1:                  |               |               |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| M3.3.1 (% RFC 6761 names)            | <b>3.44%</b>  | <b>3.44%</b>  |
| M3.3.2 (% frequently leaked strings) | <b>9.37%</b>  | <b>9.37%</b>  |
| M3.3.3 (% frequent patterns)         | <b>41.47%</b> | <b>40.67%</b> |
| M3.3.4 (% other types of names)      | <b>9.80%</b>  | <b>11.35%</b> |



M3.3.1, M3.3.2, M3.3.3 also provide the list of frequently seen RFC 6761 names, leaked strings, or generated patterns.

# M3.3.1 (% RFC 6761 names)

## 3.44% / 3.44%

| RFC 6761 name | Current value | Average value |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| LOCAL         | 2.77%         | 2.78%         |
| LOCALHOST     | 0.35%         | 0.34%         |
| INVALID       | 0.31%         | 0.30%         |
| TEST          | 0.01%         | 0.01%         |
| EXAMPLE       | 0.01%         | 0.01%         |
| ONION         | 0.00%         | 0.01%         |

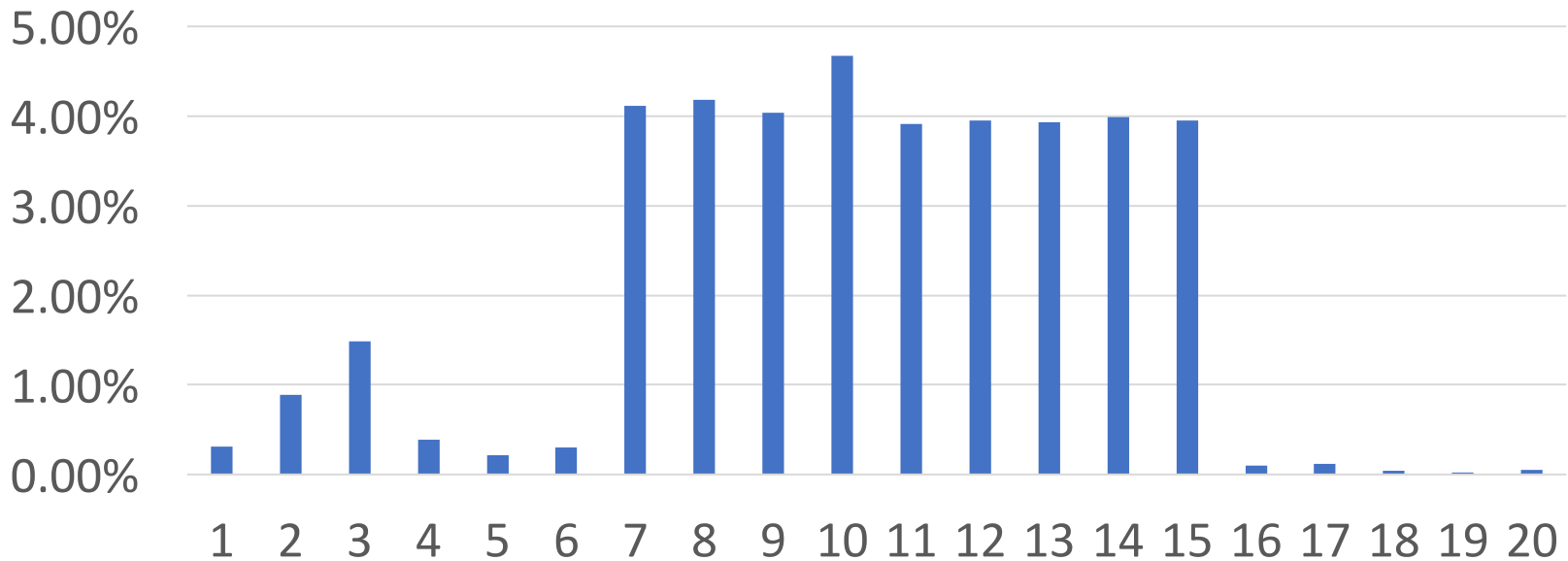
# M3.3.2 (Frequently Leaked Strings)

9.37% / 9.37%

| Frequently used string | Current value | Average value |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| HOME                   | 3.54%         | 3.67%         |
| DHCP HOST              | 0.85%         | 0.88%         |
| DHCP                   | 0.75%         | 0.68%         |
| LAN                    | 0.49%         | 0.64%         |
| INTERNAL               | 0.45%         | 0.46%         |
| LOCALDOMAIN            | 0.43%         | 0.44%         |
| IP                     | 0.43%         | 0.64%         |
| OPENSTACKLOCAL         | 0.34%         | 0.40%         |
| DLINK                  | 0.34%         | 0.31%         |
| CORP                   | 0.23%         | 0.22%         |
| DAVOLINK               | 0.20%         | 0.19%         |

# M3.3.3 (% Frequent Patterns)

## 41.47% / 40.67%



“Patterns” defined as “length of TLD string”

Chart shows % of “no such domain” queries for specific TLD lengths

Length 21 to 63 omitted – very small, account for less than 1% of queries

Many strings of length 7..15 look like “Domain Generation Algorithms”

# M4: DNS Recursive Server Analysis

|      | Metric                     | Current       | Average       |
|------|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| M4.1 | % delegated TLDs.          | <b>98.75%</b> | <b>99.03%</b> |
| M4.2 | % RFC 6761 names           | <b>0.07%</b>  | <b>0.07%</b>  |
| M4.3 | % frequently used strings. | <b>0.87%</b>  | <b>0.58%</b>  |
| M4.4 | All other traffic          | <b>0.32%</b>  | <b>0.31%</b>  |



M4.1, M4.2, M4.3 also provide the list of frequently seen RFC 6761 names, leaked strings, or generated patterns.

M4 presents “what the DNS clients are sending”

M3 presents “what the root is receiving, after filters by DNS resolvers

Results for January and February from single point of measurement!

# M4.2: Queries to RFC 6761 Names

## 0.07%/0.07%

| RFC 6761 name | Current value | Average value |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| LOCALHOST     | 0.06%         | 0.07%         |
| LOCAL         | 0.01%         | 0.00%         |
| INVALID       | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |



# M4.3: Queries to Frequently Used Strings

0.87%/0.58%

| Frequently used string | Current value | Average value |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| (local host names)     | 0.79%         | 0.47%         |
| UNIFI                  | 0.04%         | 0.07%         |
| DNS                    | 0.03%         | 0.02%         |
| INTERNAL               | 0.01%         | 0.01%         |
| HOME                   | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| DOMAIN                 | 0.00%         | 0.01%         |
| LAN                    | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |

# M6: IANA Registries for DNS Parameters

| M6.<r>.<n>.1: | Metric        | Registry table name            | Current      | Average      |
|---------------|---------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Usage.        | M6.DNS.01.1   | DNS CLASSes                    | 33.33%       | 33.85%       |
| Nb values     | M6.DNS.02.1   | Resource Record (RR) TYPEs     | 19.77%       | 19.77%       |
| seen / values | M6.DNS.08.1   | DNS EDNS0 Option Codes (OPT)   | 40.00%       | 40.00%       |
| registered    | M6.DNSSEC.3.3 | DNS Security Algorithm Numbers | 70.59%       | 70.59%       |
|               | M6.DANE.1.1   | <b>TLSA Certificate Usages</b> | <b>0.00%</b> | <b>0.00%</b> |

| M6.<r>.<n>.2: | Metric        | Registry table name                 | Current      | Average      |
|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Squatting.    | M6.DNS.01.2   | DNS CLASSes                         | 0.00%        | 0.00%        |
| Nb non        | M6.DNS.02.2   | Resource Record (RR) TYPEs          | 0.00%        | 0.00%        |
| registered/   | M6.DNS.08.2   | <b>DNS EDNS0 Option Codes (OPT)</b> | <b>0.11%</b> | <b>0.60%</b> |
| total usage   | M6.DNSSEC.3.3 | DNS Security Algorithm Numbers      | 0.00%        | 0.00%        |
|               | M6.DANE.1.2   | TLSA Certificate Usages             | 0.00%        | 0.00%        |

The DNS EDNS0 options code 0 is “reserved” and option code 65001 is “reserved for local/experimental use”.

# List of DNS Parameter Registries Tracked in M6

| Group           | Parameters                     | Metric Index | Group   | Parameters   | Metric Index |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|--------------|---------|--|--------------|
| DANE            | TLSA Certificate Usages        | M6.DANE.1    | DNS     | DNS EDNS0 Option Codes (OPT)                                   | M6.DNS.8     |
|                 | TLSA Selectors                 | M6.DANE.2    |         | DNS Header Flags   | M6.DNS.9     |
|                 | TLSA Matching Types            | M6.DANE.3    |         | EDNS Header Flags (16 bits)                                    | M6.DNS.10    |
| DNS             | DNS CLASSES                    | M6.DNS.1     |         | EDNS version Number (8 bits)                                   | M6.DNS.11    |
|                 | Resource Record (RR) TYPEs     | M6.DNS.2     |         | Child Synchronization (CSYNC) Flags                            | M6.DNS.12    |
|                 | DNS OpCodes                    | M6.DNS.3     | DNS SEC | DNS Security Algorithm Numbers                                 | M6.DNSSEC.1  |
|                 | DNS RCODEs                     | M6.DNS.4     |         | DNS KEY Record Diffie-Hellman Prime Lengths                    | M6.DNSSEC.2  |
|                 | AFSDB RR Subtype               | M6.DNS.5     |         | DNS KEY Record Diffie-Hellman Well-Known Prime/Generator Pairs | M6.DNSSEC.3  |
|                 | DHCID RR Identifier Type Codes | M6.DNS.6     |         |  |              |
| DNS Label Types | M6.DNS.7                       |              |         |  |              |

# M7: DNSSEC Deployment

|      | Metric                                     | Current      | Average      |
|------|--|--------------|--------------|
| M7.1 | number of signed TLD / total number of TLD | <b>90.6%</b> | <b>90.6%</b> |
| M7.2 | % DNS Queries requesting DNSSEC            | <b>TBD</b>   | <b>TBD</b>   |

M7.1 Measured by parsing the root zone, looking for DS records for each TLD.

M7.2 Measured by parsing DNS queries at participating DNS recursive resolvers

- Clients set DO option flag to request DNS responses

# M7.1: Number of Signed TLDs

M7.1: number of signed TLD / total number of TLD

Measured by parsing the root zone, looking for DS records for each TLD.

Current value: **90.6%**



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