History of the growth of .org

com/net/org added to the root

1985

Telecommunications Act of 1996 introduced / NTIA formed

1996

First 5 Test Bed Registrars

1999

PIR/Afilias smoothly transition .ORG

2003

.ORG achieves 5 million names

2006

.ORG achieves 6 million names

2007

PIR/Afilias sign .ORG registry with DNSSEC

2008

1985 (July 10)

First .org registered - MITRE.org

ICANN
The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

1998

ICANN is formed by NTIA

2000

First 7 new TLDs chosen by ICANN

2002

PIR wins re-delegation of 2.7M .ORG domains with Afilias as back-end provider.

2005

.ORG achieves 4 million names

2007 (May 26)

PIR/Afilias effectively combats Domain Tasting with Excess Delete fee.

2008

.ORG achieves 7 million names

2010

.ORG achieves 8 million names

Registry & DNS Technology powered by Afilias on behalf of ORG, The Public Interest Registry.