

THE DOMAIN NAME INDUSTRY BRIEF

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Executive Summary

The second quarter of 2026 closed with 401.6 million domain name registrations across all top-level domains (TLDs), an increase of 9.1 million domain name registrations, or 2.3% compared to the first quarter of 2026. Domain name registrations increased by 29.9 million, or 8.1%, year over year.

The .com and .net TLDs had a combined total of 179.1 million domain name registrations in the domain name base at the end of second quarter of 2026, an increase of 3.0 million domain name registrations, or 1.7% compared to the first quarter of 2026. The .com and .net TLDs had a combined increase of 8.6 million domain name registrations, or 5.1%, year over year. As of June 30, 2026, the .com domain name base totaled 166.6 million domain name registrations and the .net domain name base totaled 12.5 million domain name registrations.

New .com and .net domain name registrations totaled 12.7 million at the end of the second quarter of 2026, compared to 10.4 million domain name registrations at the end of the second quarter of 2025. The preliminary combined renewal percentage for the .com and .net TLDs is 75.2% for the second quarter of 2026.

Total country-code TLD (ccTLD) domain name registrations were 148.6 million at the end of the second quarter of 2026, an increase of 2.3 million domain name registrations, or 1.6% compared to the first quarter of 2026.

ccTLDs increased by 5.2 million domain name registrations, or 3.6%, year over year. Available data is insufficient to estimate a combined quarterly renewal percentage across ccTLDs.

Total new generic TLD (ngTLD) domain name registrations were 52.9 million at the end of the second quarter of 2026, an increase of 3.3 million domain name registrations, or 6.7%, compared to the first quarter of 2026. ngTLDs increased by 13.4 million domain name registrations, or 34.0%, year over year. The most recent combined renewal percentage estimate for ngTLDs was 31.0%.

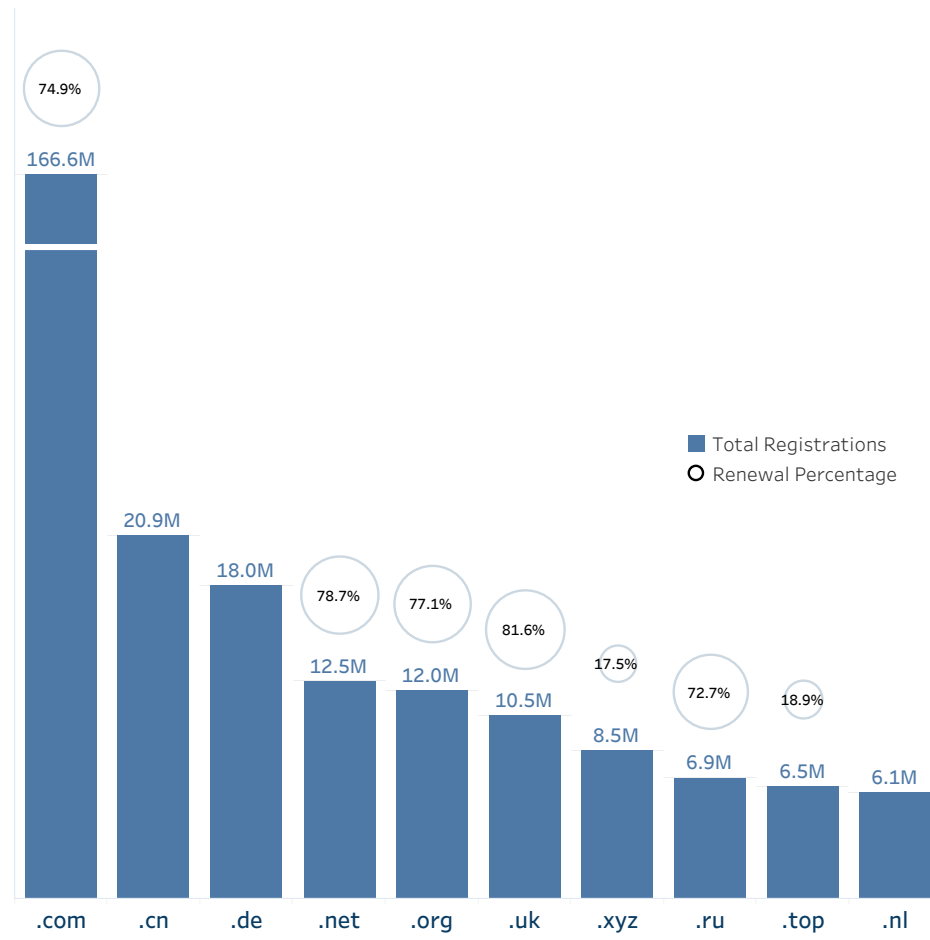
Total other legacy generic TLD (gTLD) domain name registrations, not including .com and .net, were 21.0 million at the end of the second quarter of 2026, an increase of 0.4 million domain name registrations, or 2.1%, compared to the first quarter of 2026. Other legacy gTLDs increased by 2.7 million domain name registrations, or 14.9%, year over year. The most recent combined renewal percentage estimate for legacy gTLDs was 67.2%.

More information, including comprehensive gTLD historical data, visualizations of long-term trends and regional ccTLD data, is available on DNIB.com's [Global Domain Name Base Trends dashboard](#). Expanded data and visualizations for renewal percentages, renewals and new registrations are available on DNIB.com's [gTLD Registration and Renewal Trends dashboard](#).



Top 10 Largest TLDs by Number of Reported Domain Names

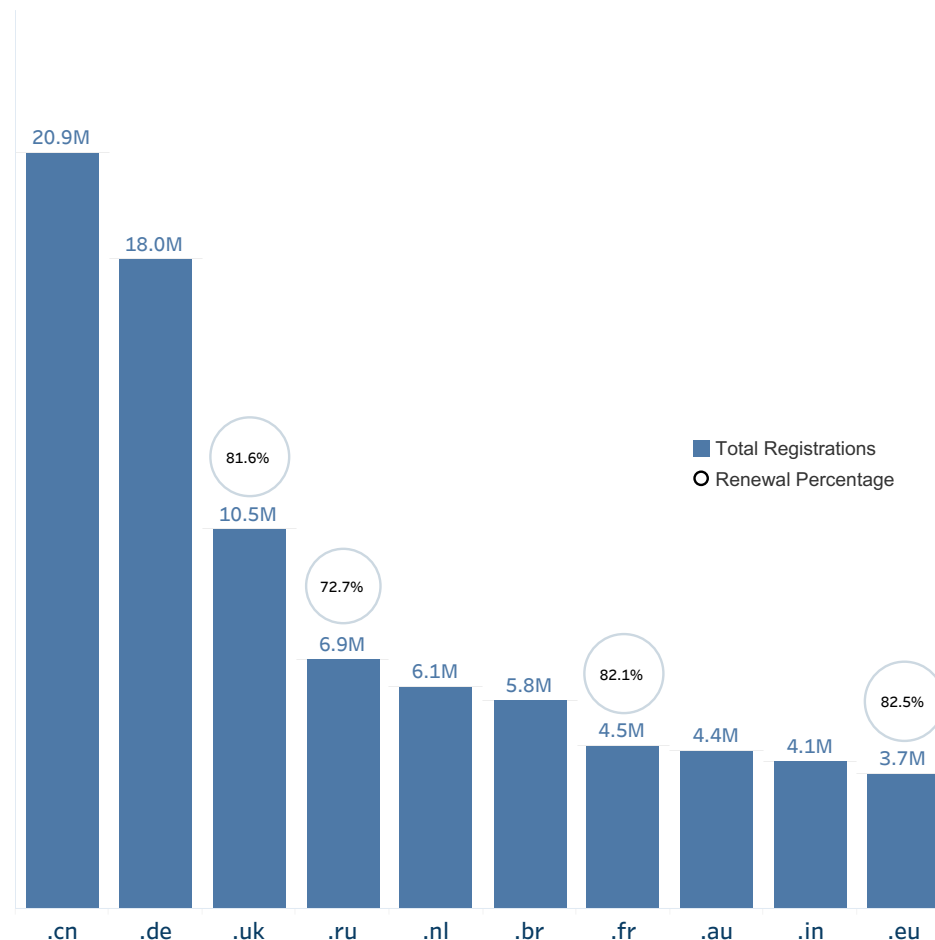
As of June 30, 2026, the 10 largest TLDs by number of reported domain names were .com, .cn, .de, .net, .org, .uk, .xyz, .ru, .top and .nl. For the top 10 TLDs with available data, recent quarterly renewal percentage estimates ranged from 81.6% for .uk to 17.5% for .xyz.



For each TLD, bar height indicates total registrations and circle diameter indicates quarterly renewal percentage estimate, when available. Source: ZookNIC, Q2 2026; Verisign, Q2 2026; Centralized Zone Data Service, Q2 2026. For further information on The Domain Name Industry Brief methodology, please see <https://dnib.com/methodology>.

Top 10 Largest ccTLDs by Number of Reported Domain Names

The top 10 ccTLDs, as of June 30, 2026, were .cn, .de, .uk, .ru, .nl, .br, .fr, .au, .in and .eu. As of June 30, 2026, there were 316 global ccTLD extensions delegated in the root zone, including internationalized domain names (IDNs), with the top 10 ccTLDs comprising 57.2% of all ccTLD domain name registrations. For the top 10 ccTLDs with available data, recent quarterly renewal percentage estimates ranged from 82.5% for .eu to 72.7% for .ru.

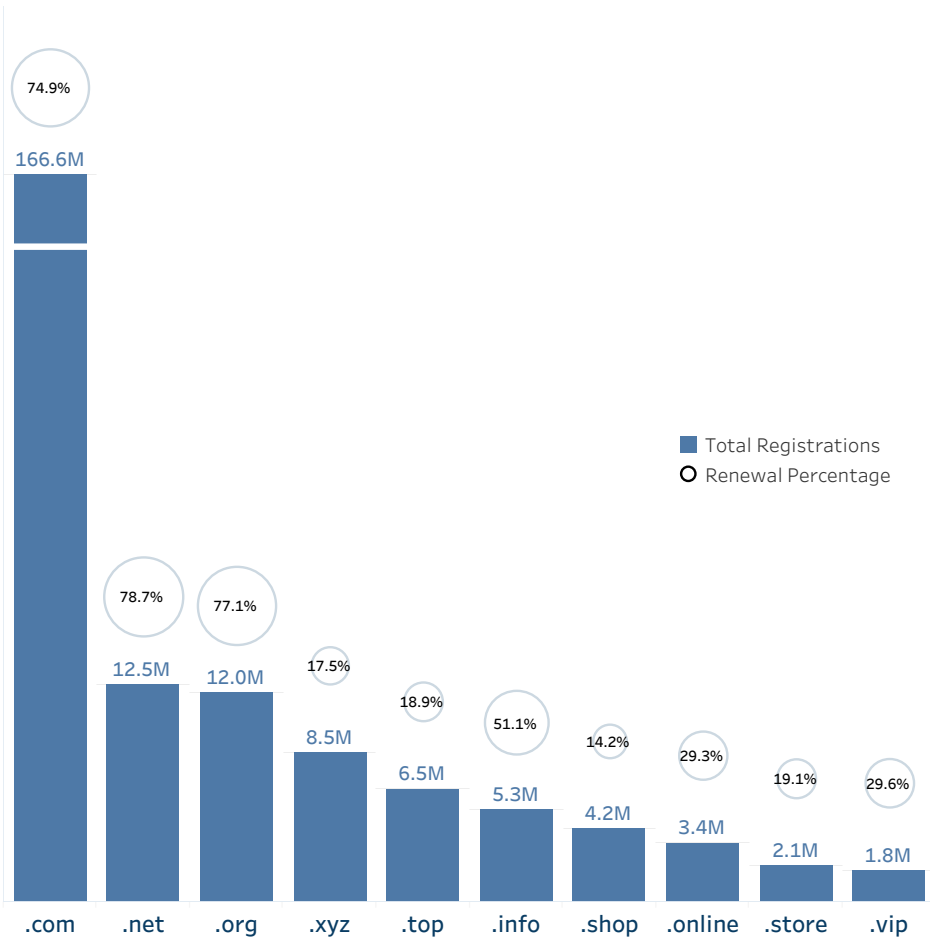


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Top 10 Largest gTLDs by Number of Reported Domain Names

The top 10 gTLDs, as of June 30, 2026, were .com, .net, .org, .xyz, .top, .info, .shop, .online, .store and .vip. As of June 30, 2026, there were 1,265 extensions delegated in the root zone, including IDNs, with the top 10 gTLDs comprising 88.1% of all gTLD domain name registrations and 55.5% of all TLD registrations. New gTLDs collectively accounted for 13.2% of all TLD registrations as of June 30, 2026. For the top 10 gTLDs, recent quarterly renewal percentage estimates ranged from 78.7% for .net to 14.2% for .shop.



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Methodology

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