

# L-Root



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# What is L-Root?

- + “L” is one of 13 independently operated root servers serving the DNS root zone
- + The ICANN DNS OPS team operates L under the autonomous system number AS20144 using the following addresses
  - + 199.7.83.42
  - + 2001:500:3::42
- + Anycasted since 2007
- + Uses the Name Server Daemon (NSD) from NLnetLabs

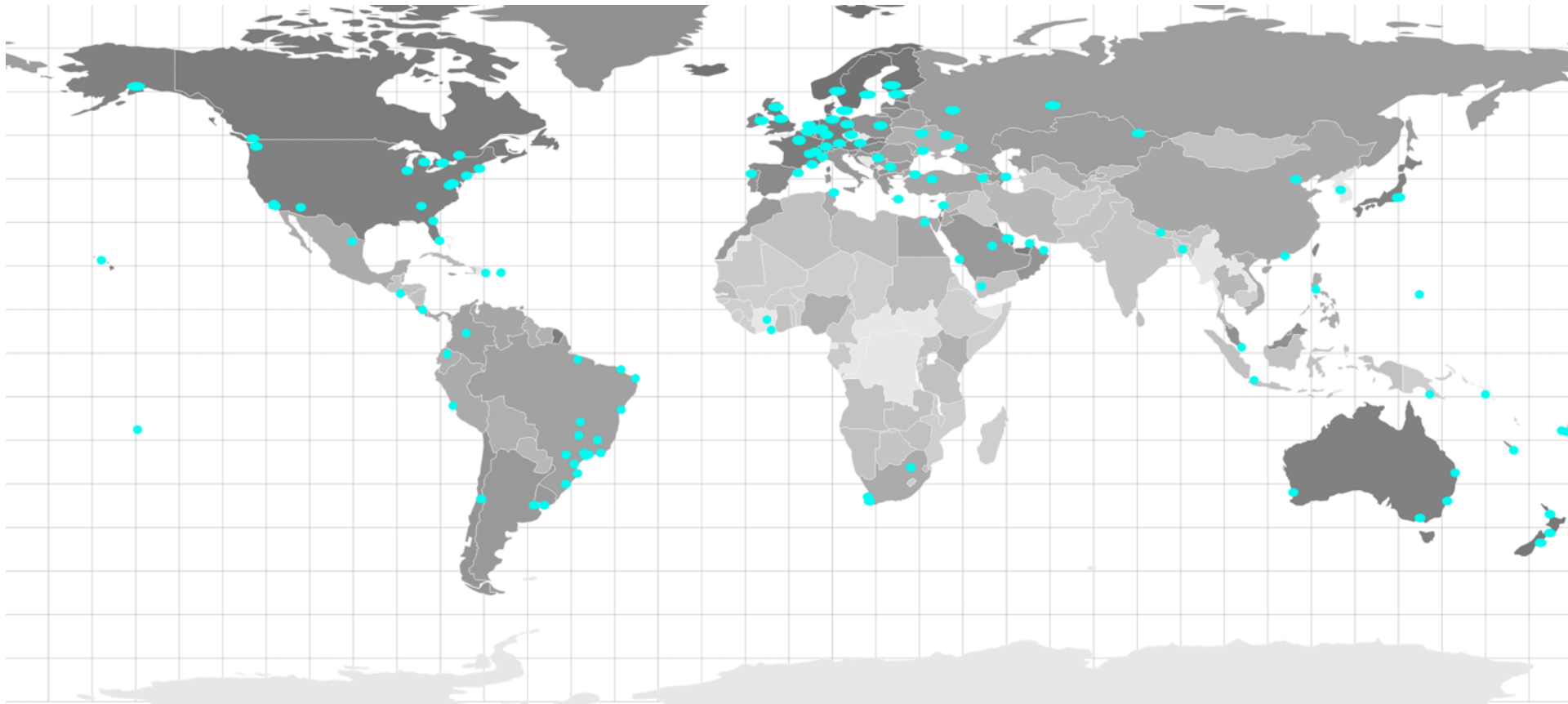
# L-Root Geographical diversity (via Anycast)

- + Anycast allow multiple copies of a server to be on multiple places, allowing us to:
  - + Take the service closer to the user
    - + Lower RTT ( Round trip)
    - + Improve user experience
  - + Increase query capacity
  - + Reduces the likelihood that some types of attack traffic would affect the rest of the internet by keeping it closer to the source
  - + Flexibility to add/remove instances

# L-Root locations

- + Today L has presence on every continent with over 150 instances
  - + Added in August 2014:
    - + Chicago, US ([ord02.l.root-servers.org](http://ord02.l.root-servers.org))
      - + Team Cymru
    - + San Juan, PR ([sju01.l.root-servers.org](http://sju01.l.root-servers.org))
      - + Gauss Research Laboratory Inc.
    - + Yekaterinburg, Russia ([svx01.l.root-servers.org](http://svx01.l.root-servers.org))
      - + Yandex LLC.

# L-Root locations



# Want to host an L-Root instance on your network?

## + Prerequisites:

- + Your organization is willing to host a L-Root server instance (L-Single)
- + Your organization can provide all the following:
  - + Sign a Non-Disclosure-Agreement and an ICANN L-Single Agreement
  - + Provide a server (as spec'd by ICANN)
  - + Provide housing for the server (hosting/power/connectivity)
  - + Ability to establish a BGP peering session to propagate L-Root AS20144 prefixes

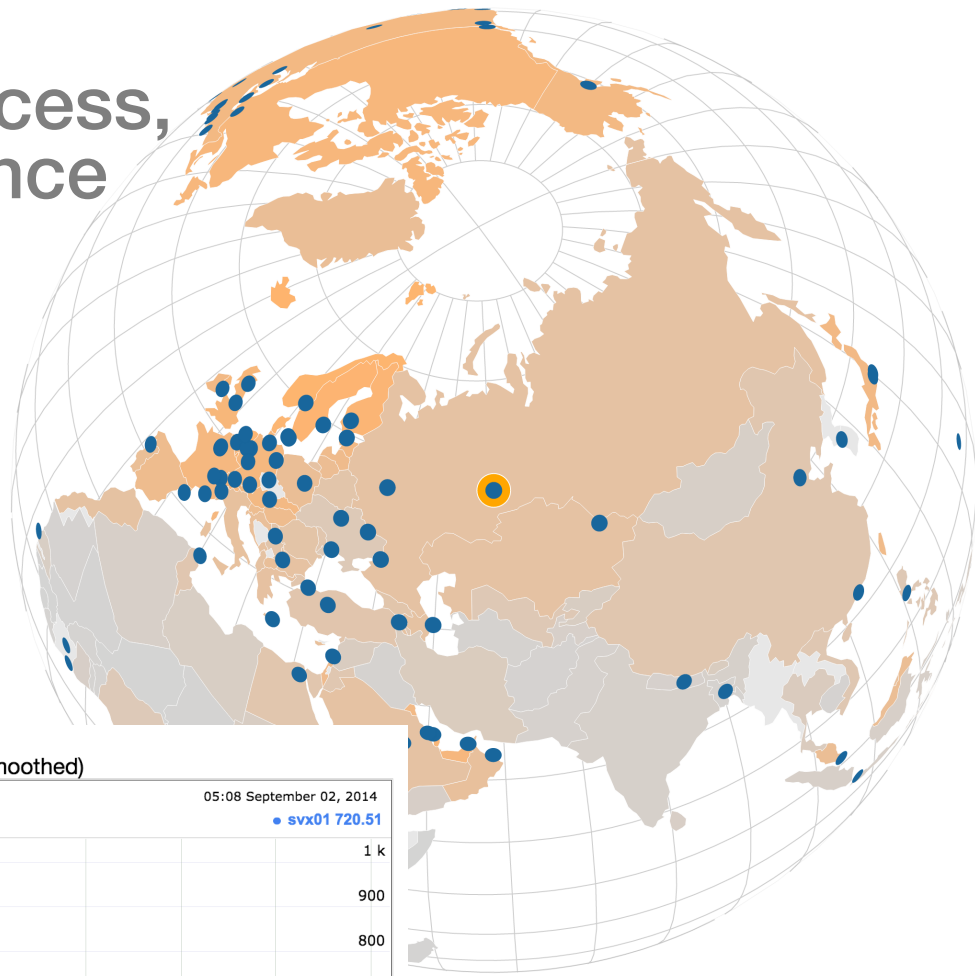
# Hosting an L-Root Workflow:

- + If the pre-requisites are completely satisfied
  - + Your organization will need to contact your ICANN GSE local representative and complete a contact information document
  - + Your organization will then need to sign a NDA and then the provided L-Single contract
  - + ICANN will return the documents executed
  - + Your organization will need to complete a technical form with the server details
  - + ICANN DNSOPS team installs and commissions the servers.

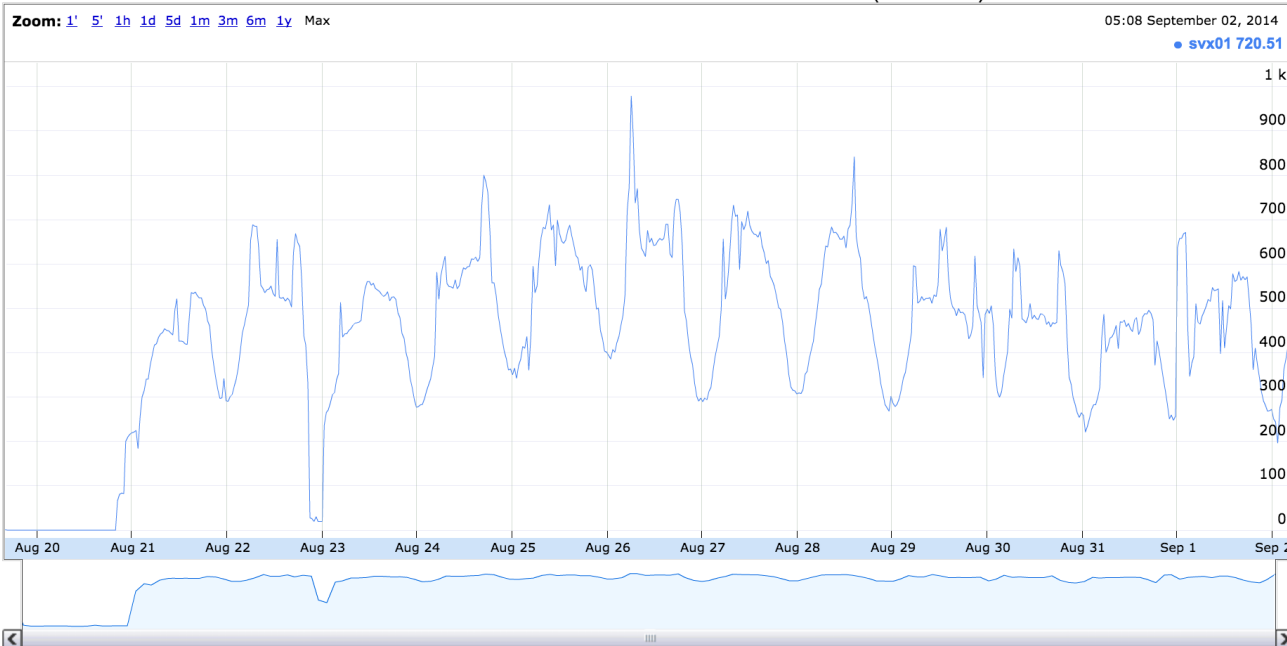
After completed the process,  
the result is a new instance

svx01.l.root-servers.org

Thanks Yandex LLC!



Queries by node  
from 2014-08-02 05:38 UTC to 2014-09-02 05:37 UTC (smoothed)





# L Instance Statistics

- + Hedgehog

- + <http://hedgehog.dns.icann.org>

- + Provides near real-time statistics for L-Root instances

- + Some of the features available are:

- + Per instance:

- + Query and type per second

- + IP Protocol and Transport Protocol

- + Query type and attributes

- + Released to the community with a open license in August 2014.  
More information on <http://www.dns-stats.org>



From Thu, 21 Aug 2014 04:53:00 UTC  
To Fri, 22 Aug 2014 04:52:00 UTC

Basic Time | Advanced time

Today

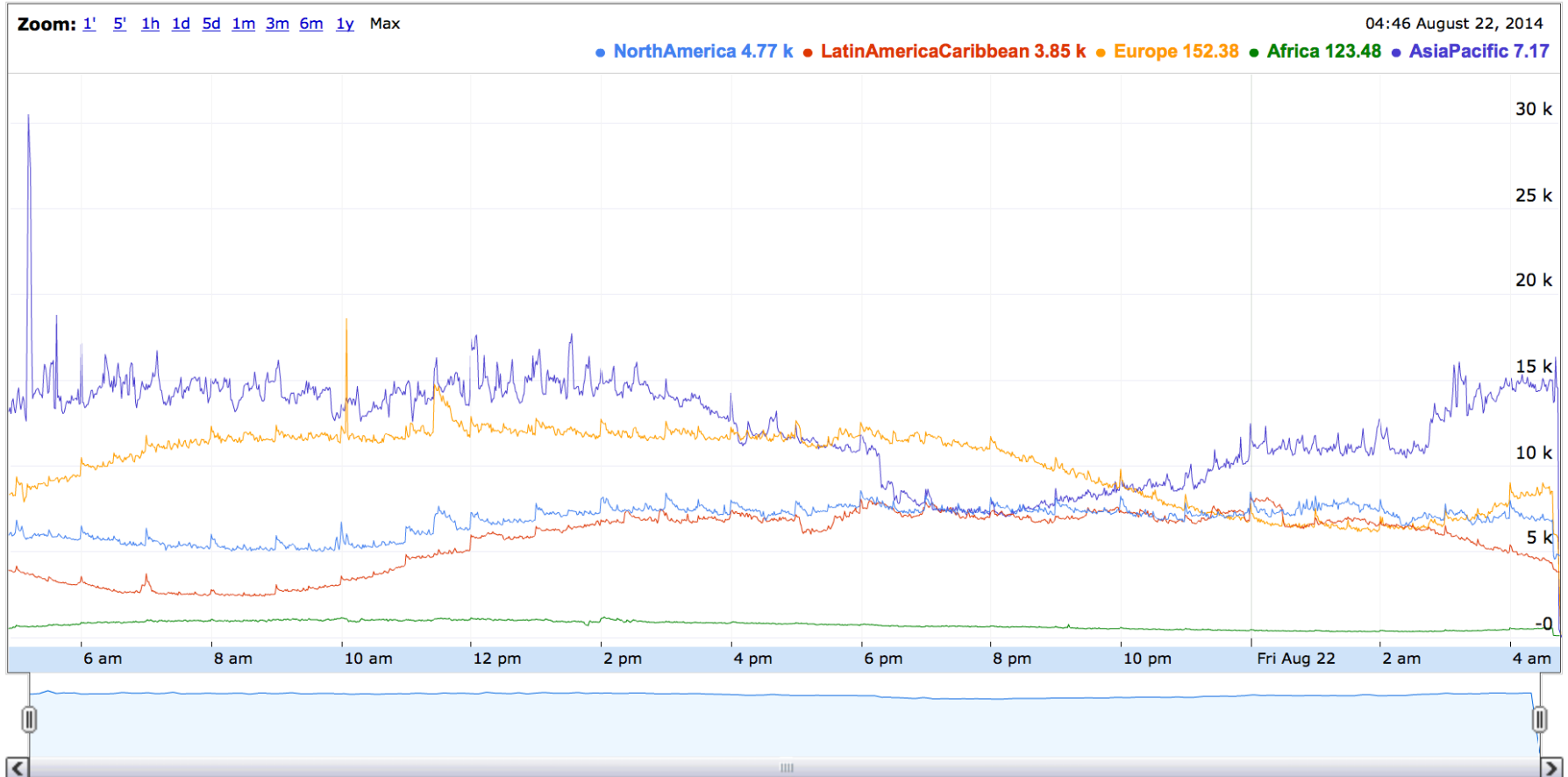
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		day	week	month		

Static plot  Interactive plot

Plot By node

Generate Plot!

## Queries by node from 2014-08-21 04:53 UTC to 2014-08-22 04:52 UTC



# The team behind L-Root

+ John Bond

+ David Soltero

+ Mauricio Vergara

+ Terry Manderson, Director

# Our team goals

- + DNS expertise and excellence
- + Strengthen, diversity and growth of L-Root worldwide
- + Collaboration within our peers
- + Best engineering process
- + Transparency and documented process

# How to engage us?

- + Research bodies (DNS-OARC)
- + Network Operations (NANOG, LACNOG, AUSNOG, CENTR)
- + Standard bodies (IETF)
- + Participation on many different mailing lists
- + Social media (Website, Twitter)

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Thank You &  
Questions?

