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Quarterly report

Q1
2023



Product	Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4
Product 18	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 17	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 16	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 15	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 14	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 13	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 12	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 11	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 10	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 9	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 8	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 7	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 6	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 5	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 4	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 3	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 2	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00
Product 1	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00

Q1 2023 in a nutshell

The transactions, renewals and new registrations, during the first quarter of 2023 were in line with expectations.

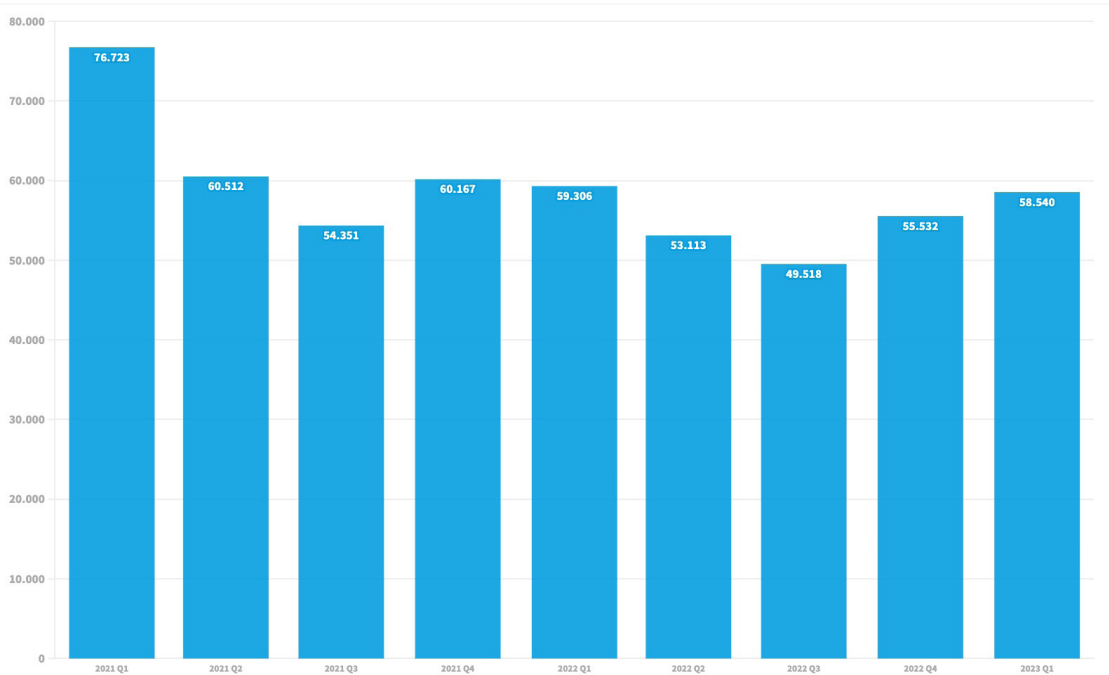
When comparing this quarter with previous quarters, we see very stable numbers. Which in turn result in a stable number of active domain names in the .be zone, just below 1,75 million.

Looking at our cyber security parameters we see an overall decrease in 'cyber issues' in the .be zone. This may be a positive trend, but we remain cautious of course as the lower number of 'cyber issues' might be the result of more intelligent fraud that is able to avoid our detection systems.



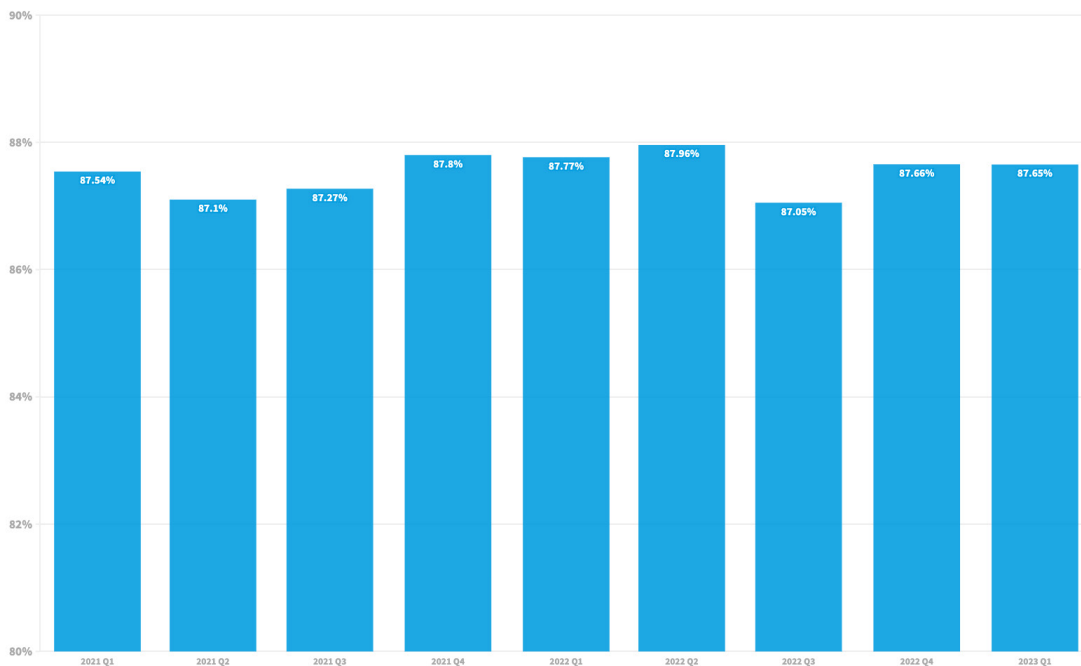
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General Manager at DNS Belgium

New registrations, Q1 2021 to Q1 2023



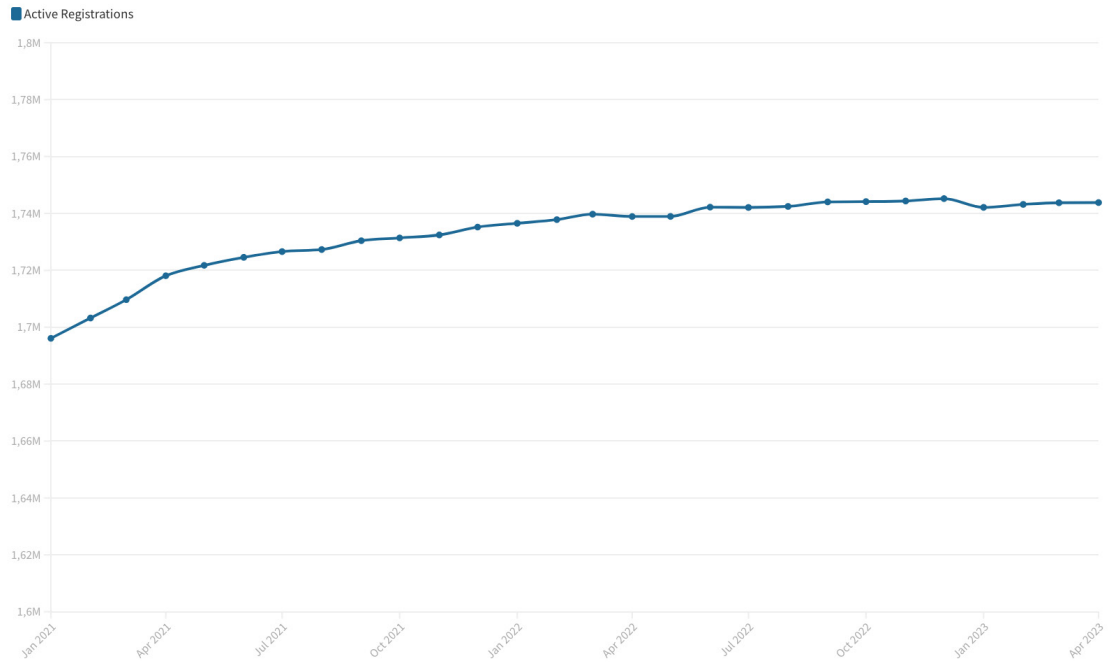
During Q1 of 2023, we registered 58,540 new domain names. Q1 always is a good quarter for new registrations. After a few 'slower' quarters in 2022 we are happy to see an upward trend again.

Renewal rate, Q1 2021 to Q1 2023



Over the years our renewal rate has been very stable on a very high level of approximately 87- 88%. Q1 of 2023 was completely in line with expectations.

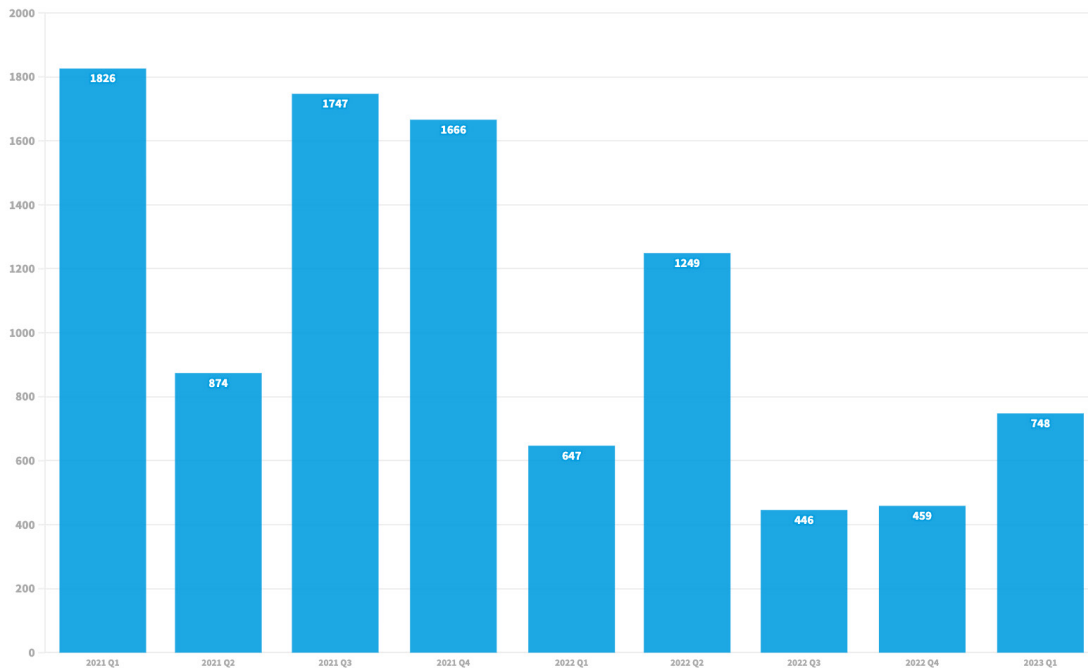
Active registrations, Q1 2021 to Q1 2023



Since the beginning of last year growth in active registrations has clearly slowed down. The Belgian domain name market is a mature market. Despite our renewal rates being at very high levels compared to our industry peers, there is no indication to assume that new and active registrations will go up any time soon.

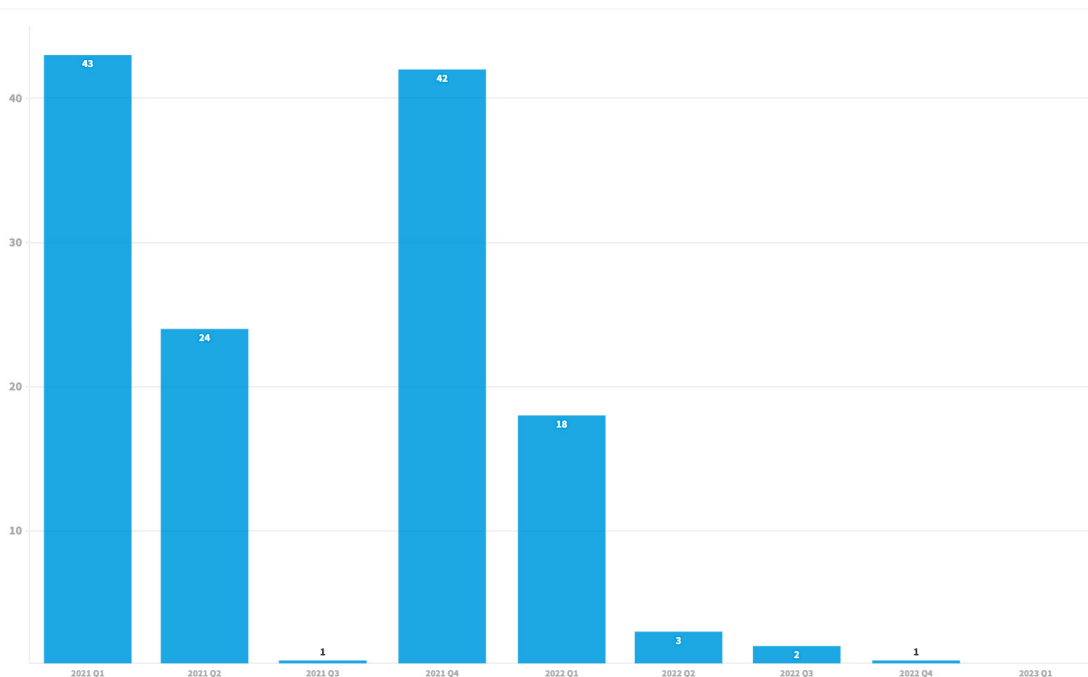


Revokes during Q1 2023



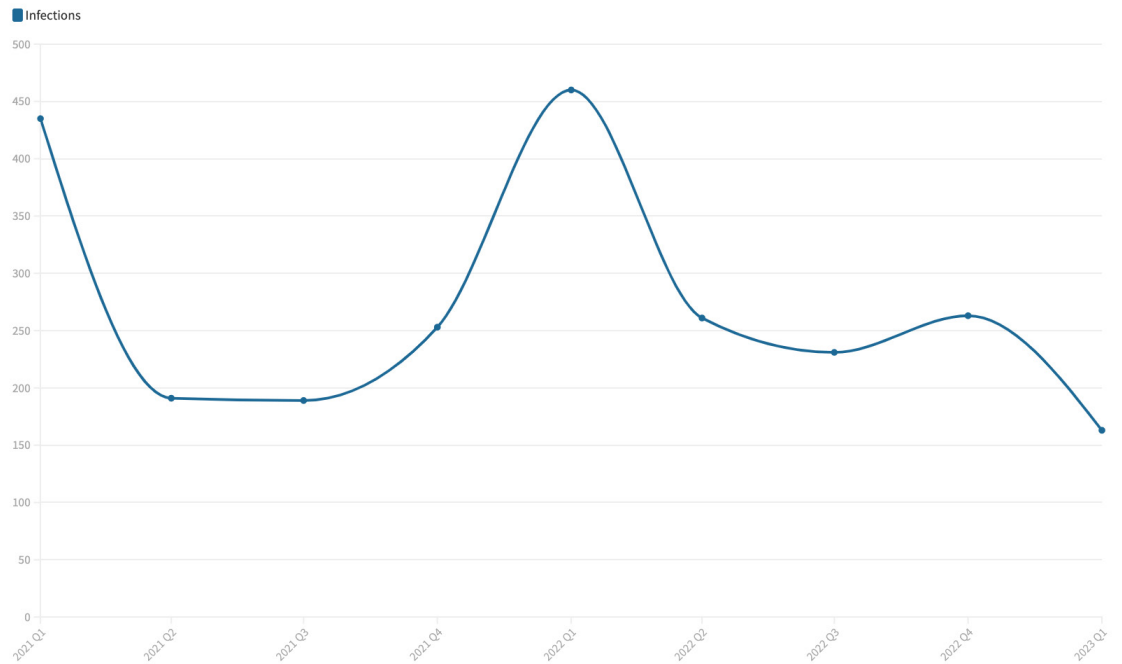
During Q1 of 2023, we revoked 748 domain names. That is a remarkable increase compared to the previous quarter, but still rather low in absolute numbers. This may indicate that we are doing the right things in terms of pro-actively screening and identifying the whois data of new registrations.

Fake webshop removal



We haven't removed any fake webshop in Q1. Even though our detection methods are the best there are, it is always possible that they were 'by-passed' by cybercriminals. A positive interpretation may be that there were less fake webshops registered in the .be-zone.

Infected domains detection



In Q4 of 2022 we detected 263 infected domain names. This quarter that number has further dropped to merely 160 infected domain names that are used for phishing, malware and command & control activities.



Apart from a subtle increase in Q4 of 2022 we see the number of infected domain names declining steadily since the beginning of 2022.


Since the number of revokes and removals of fake webshops are low as well, we're inclined to believe that we're doing a good job keeping the Belgian internet safe.

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.be

.brussels

.vlaanderen



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