## **IPv4 Transfer Services Update**

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### Agenda

- Overview and Trends
- Challenges
- Improvements
- Community Resources



Transfer Overview and Trends

#### **IPv4 Transfers: Overview & Importance**

#### **Types of IPv4 Transfers (NRPM 8.x):**

- 8.2: Mergers, acquisitions, reorganizations
- 8.3: Specified recipient transfers within the ARIN region
- 8.4: Inter-RIR transfers (between different regions)

#### **Why IPv4 Transfers Matter:**

- Critical due to IPv4 exhaustion
- Supports continued growth and innovation
- Promotes data accuracy
- Facilitates efficient IPv4 resource utilization across the Internet community



#### 8.4 Transfer Counts To/From ARIN



#### Avg /24s Per 8.4 Transfer

■ Average Size of Transfers From ARIN ■ Average Size of Transfers To ARIN





**Transfer Challenges** 

# Common Challenges Faced by Customers During 8.4 Transfers

Complexity or misunderstandings of policy and delays on inter-RIR transfers

Verification of rights and authority

Processing times and common delays (e.g., Inter-RIR email process)

#### Challenges for All ARIN Transfers

- Inconsistent submissions: Requests vary in completeness and often require back-and-forth clarification
- Documentation delays: Verifying resource control and eligibility frequently extends processing time
- Resource-intensive processing: Requests typically involve multiple staff interactions, increasing effort
- Eligibility tracking is time-consuming: Verifying block status (e.g., IPv4 Waiting List eligibility) adds complexity and delays
- Manual workflows slow processing: Limited automation increases staff workload and reduces scalability



# Improvements and Enhancements in Transfer Processing

#### Improving the Process

- ARIN has implemented improvements to the IPv4 transfer process focused on reducing delays, clarifying requirements, and increasing transparency, driven by both customer feedback and internal process improvement efforts.
- The **Qualified Facilitator Program (QFP)** supports more efficient and reliable transfers by connecting customers with vetted, experienced facilitators who are familiar with ARIN's policies and procedures.
- Extensive education through outreach helps prepare customers for the transfer process by promoting awareness of requirements, clarifying common issues, and offering direct guidance via webinars, industry events, and ARIN-hosted sessions.

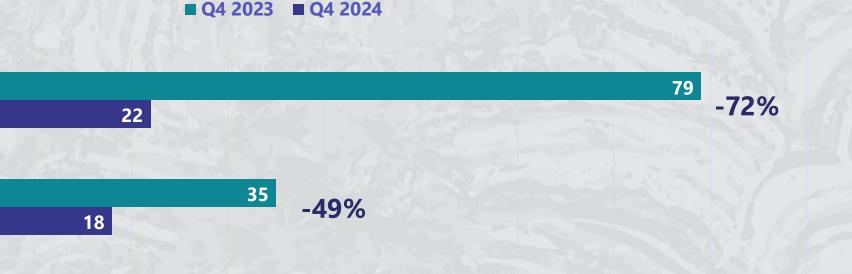
#### Transfer Efficiency Gains (Q4 2023–Q4 2024)





8.2 Transfers

8.4 Source/Recipient





-35%

Mean transfer resolution times improved across all categories, with the biggest gains in 8.2 transfers.

#### Transfer Duration Trends: 2021 to 2024



#### **Ensuring a Smooth Transfer**

#### **Rights and Authority Verification Checklist**

- Confirm the legal status of the resource-holding organization
- Verify the requestor's authority to act (title, role, supporting documentation)
- Review corporate registration records and key legal documents:
  - Articles of incorporation
  - Merger or dissolution certificates
  - Assignment or purchase agreements
- Validate domain or email control as proof of association
- Ensure alignment with Whois/ARIN records
- Request additional documentation if ownership or lineage is unclear
- Cross-check Points of Contacts and Org IDs for past transfers or reassignment history





## **Community Resources**

#### **Qualified Facilitators**

Engaging a Qualified Facilitator can streamline the transfer process and ensure compliance with ARIN policies.

To find an ARIN Qualified Facilitator, visit <a href="https://www.arin.net/qualifiedfacilitators">www.arin.net/qualifiedfacilitators</a>

All Qualified Facilitators have undergone our vetting process to assist with IPv4 address or ASN transfers.



#### **Transfer Customer Support**

Registration Services Help Desk is available assist you via:

- Telephone between 7:00 AM 7:00 PM ET, Monday – Friday
- Chat via your ARIN Online account
- Ask ARIN tickets or other ticketed requests via your ARIN Online account



Get in touch! Visit arin.net/helpdesk for more information





# Questions and Comments? Thank you