TLS 1.3 Client Measurements

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TLS 1.3 Rollout

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TLS 1.3 enabled by default in iOS 12.2 and macOS 10.14.4 (March 2019)

Anecdotally, many server deployments have recently deployed TLS 1.3 or are in the midst of ramping up support
Questions

How much server adoption of TLS 1.3 do we see from the perspective of clients?

Does TLS 1.3 provide the expected performance benefits (by reducing round trips)?
Methodology

Metrics collected per-TLS connection

- TLS version
- TLS handshake time
- ALPN value
- Address family (IPv4/IPv6)

Represents the amount of TLS 1.3 being used, not the number of servers that have deployed TLS 1.3

Data in this presentation was collected from April-June 2019 on a random sample of 0.05% of eligible connection
Server Adoption

Percentage of all client connections using TLS 1.3

- April '19: 10.01% TLS 1.2, 0% TLS 1.3
- May '19: 17.28% TLS 1.2, 22.01% TLS 1.3
- June '19: 22.01% TLS 1.2, 17.28% TLS 1.3
IPv6 Server Adoption

Percentage of IPv6 connections using TLS 1.3

- April '19: 15.80% TLS 1.2
- May '19: 27.50% TLS 1.2, 34.51% TLS 1.3
- June '19: 34.51% TLS 1.3
IPv6 Support Correlation

How likely is a server to support TLS 1.3 if it has also upgraded to support IPv6?

Percentage of all connections using TLS 1.3 by address family on dual-stack networks

IPv4: 12.21% TLS 1.2, 36.51% TLS 1.3
IPv6: 12.21% TLS 1.2, 36.51% TLS 1.3
IPv6 Support Correlation

TLS 1.3 servers are more likely to support IPv6

Overall server IPv6 support with dual-stack connectivity

IPv4: 40%
IPv6: 60%

TLS 1.3 server IPv6 support with dual-stack connectivity

IPv4: 32%
IPv6: 68%
HTTP/2 Support Correlation

How likely is a server to support TLS 1.3 if it has also upgraded to support HTTP/2?

Percentage of all connections using TLS 1.3 by ALPN

- **http/1.1**: 13.12%
- **h2**: 40.42%

- **TLS 1.2**
- **TLS 1.3**
HTTP/2 Support Correlation

TLS 1.3 servers are more likely to support HTTP/2

All ALPN Values

- http/1.1: 51%
- h2: 49%

TLS 1.3 ALPN Values

- http/1.1: 25%
- h2: 75%
Handshake Time

![Graph of Handshake Time](image)

**TLS 1.2**  
**TLS 1.3**
Observations

TLS 1.3 support has more than doubled in the past three months

Performance wins clearly demonstrated

Noticeable grouping of servers into:

• Leading Edge (TLS 1.3, HTTP/2, IPv6)
• Stragglers (TLS 1.2, HTTP/1.1, IPv4-only)