

# EDNS Compliance

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# Motivation

Deployed Experimental Version  
of DNS COOKIES (SIT)  
in BIND 9.10.0

Lookups for various zones failed due  
to mis-implementation of EDNS

Trial and Error Takes time  
especially when requests are dropped

New EDNS options are not the only EDNS  
extensions people are wishing to use.

Decided to see what mis-behaviour is out there.

# DataSets

- Root and TLD servers
- Alexa Top 1000
- Alexa Bottom 1000 of Top 1Million
- GOV servers from Alexa Top 1Million
- AU servers from Alexa Top 1Million

# Methodology

dig +norec +noedns soa zone @server

dig +norec +edns=0 soa zone @server

dig +norec +edns=1 +noednsneg soa zone @server

dig +norec +ednsopt=100 soa zone @server

dig +norec +ednsflags=0x80 soa zone @server

dig +norec +dnssec soa zone @server

dig +norec +dnssec +bufsize=512 +ignore dnskey zone @server

dig +norec +edns=1 +noednsneg +ednsopt=100 soa zone @server

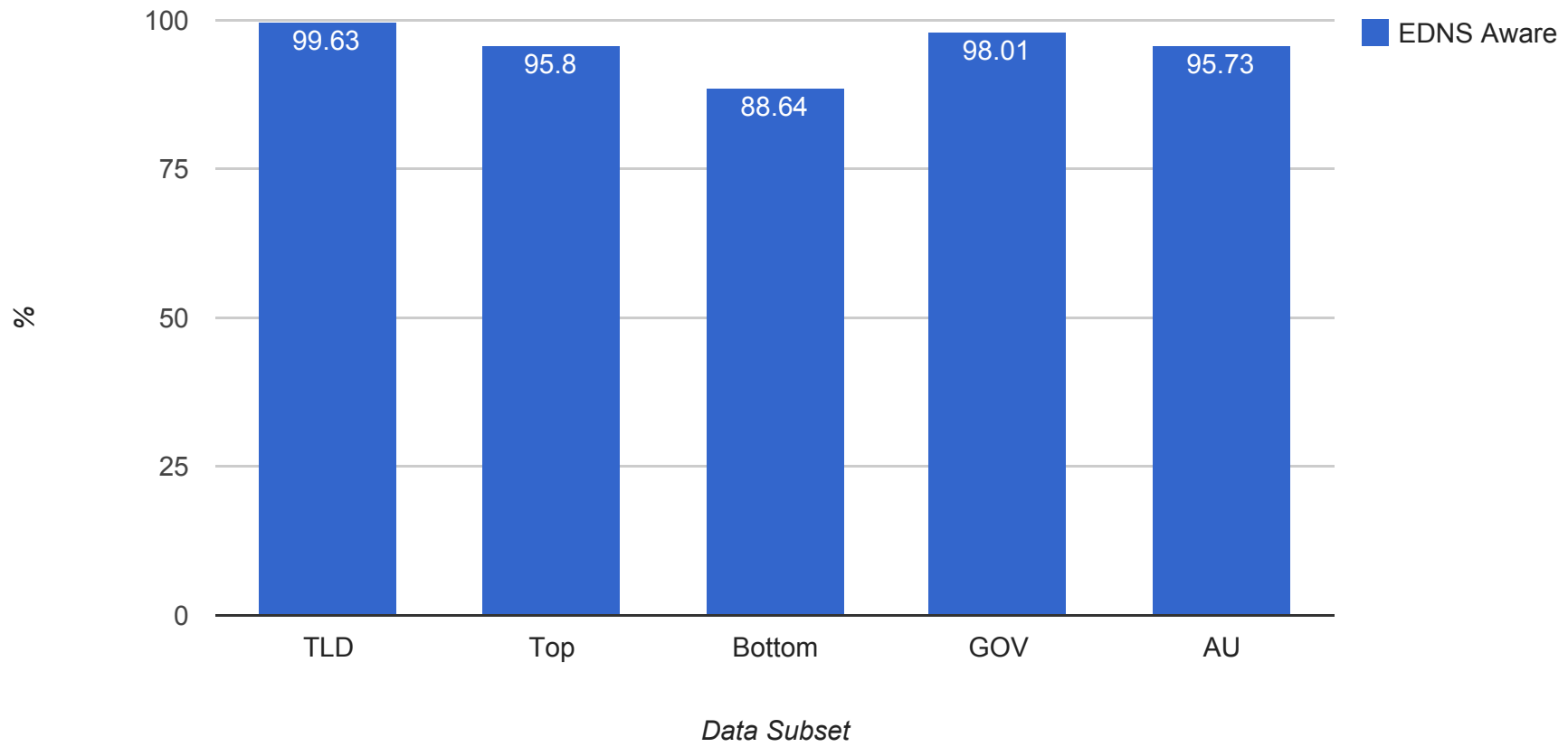
# Faults Detected 1/2

- OPT only returned when DO=1 is present in the request
- BADVER not returned to EDNS (1)
- NOTIMP returned when a EDNS option is present
- FORMERR returned when a EDNS option is present
- BADVERS returned when a EDNS option is present
- NOTIMP returned when a EDNS Z flag is present
- FORMERR returned when a EDNS Z flag is present
- BADVERS returned when a EDNS Z flag is present
- EDNS option echoed back

# Faults Detected 2/2

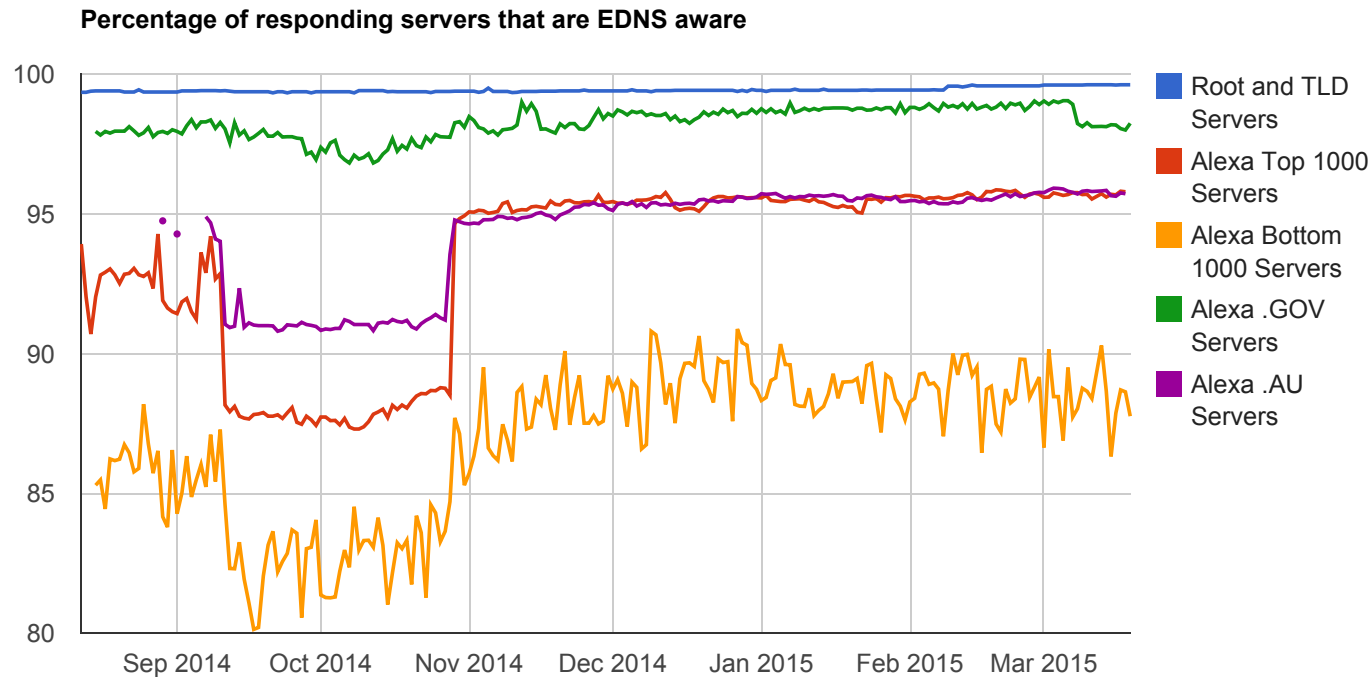
- OPT not returned in truncated response
- EDNS (1) queries being dropped
- EDNS queries with a Z bit being dropped
- EDNS Z bits in queries echoed back
- TCP response size limited to EDNS UDP response size
- Truncated UDP response when send when response will not fit
- Fragmented responses being blocked
- DO=1 not returned by DNSSEC aware servers

### EDNS Aware Servers - 18 Mar 2015





# EDNS Compliance Report: 2015-03-19T05:19:26Z



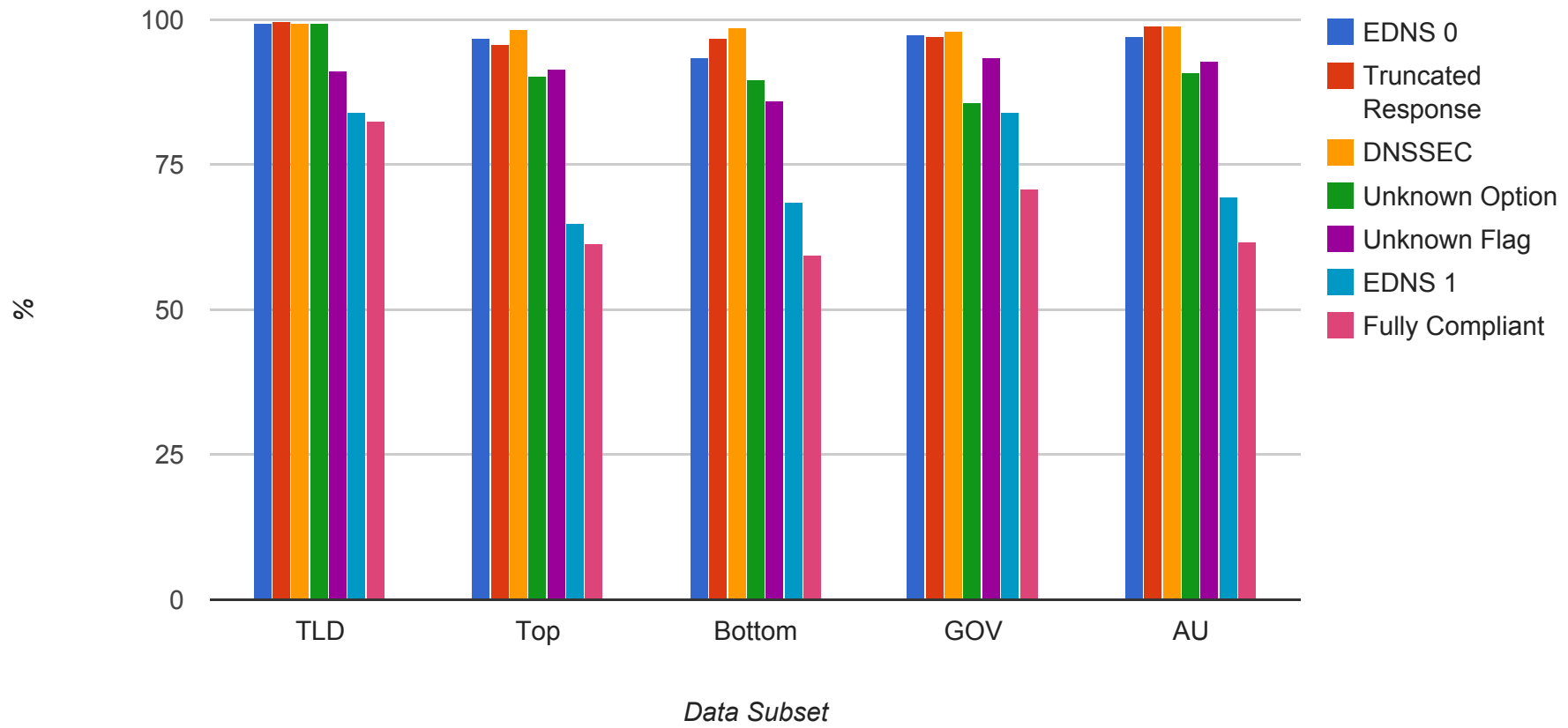
A EDNS aware server is one which returns a EDNS response to at least one of the test queries. A active server is one which returns a response to one of the test queries. Inactive servers are discarded when calculating the EDNS aware percentages.

2014-09-11: Cloudflare replaced server software which only returned a EDNS response when DO was set to one in the request to a server which ignores EDNS in the request.

2014-10-10: Stopped setting AD=1 in test queries.

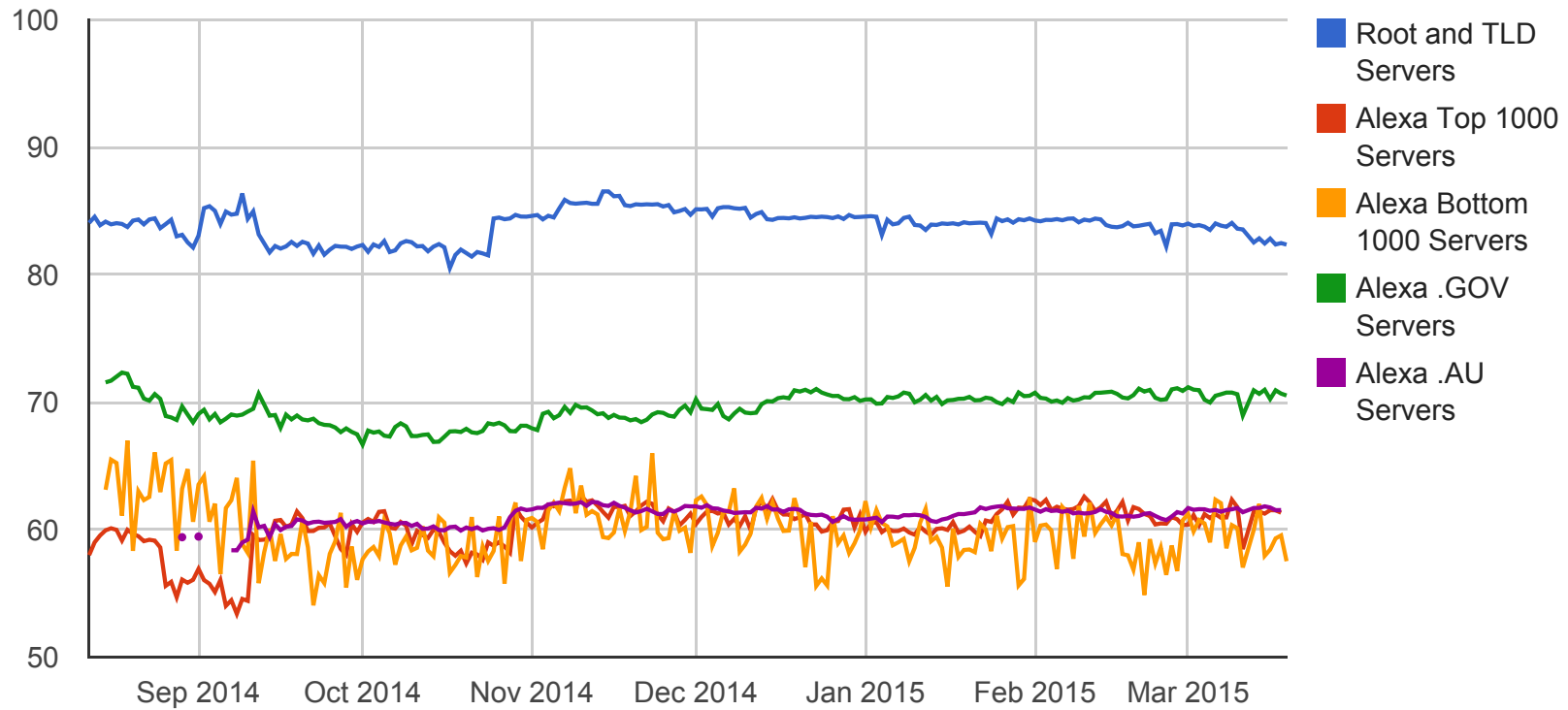
2014-10-29: Cloudflare restored EDNS support.

**EDNS Compliance by Function - 18 Mar 2015**

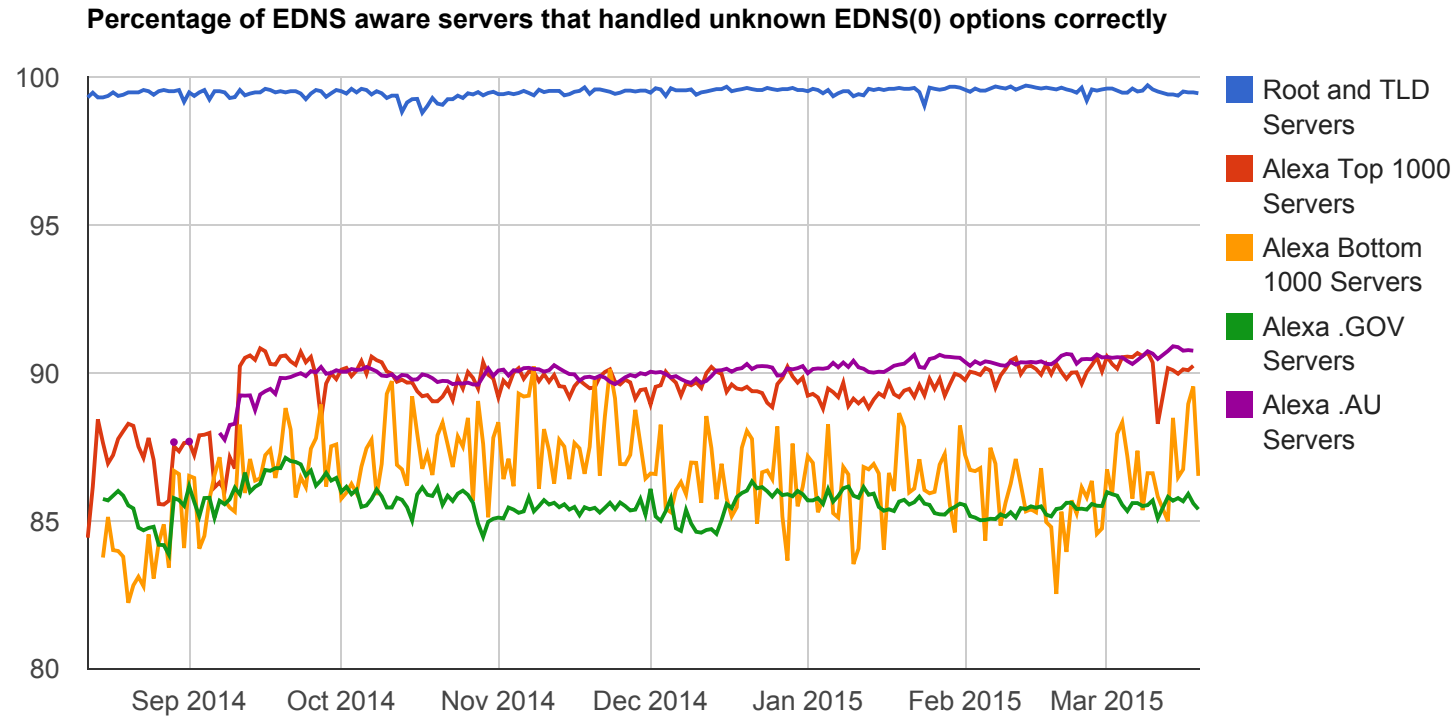


# EDNS Compliance Report: 2015-03-19T07:46:51Z

Percentage of EDNS aware servers that passed all EDNS compliance tests



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*(dig +ednsopt=100 +norec soa \$zone @\$server)*

expect: status: NOERROR

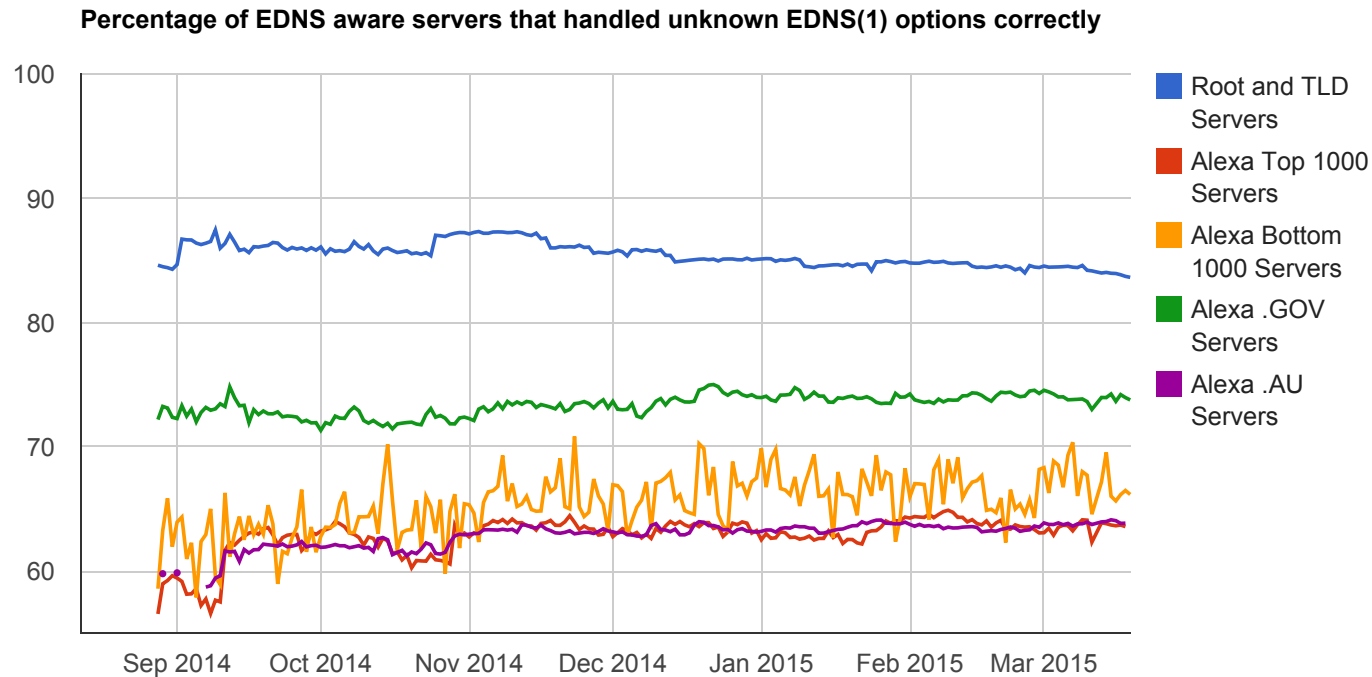
expect: SOA record to be present

expect: OPT record to be present

expect: OPT=100 to not be present

[See RFC6891, 6.1.2 Wire Format](#)

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*(dig +ednsopt=100 +edns=1 +norec soa \$zone @\$server)*

expect: status: BADVERS

expect: SOA record to NOT be present

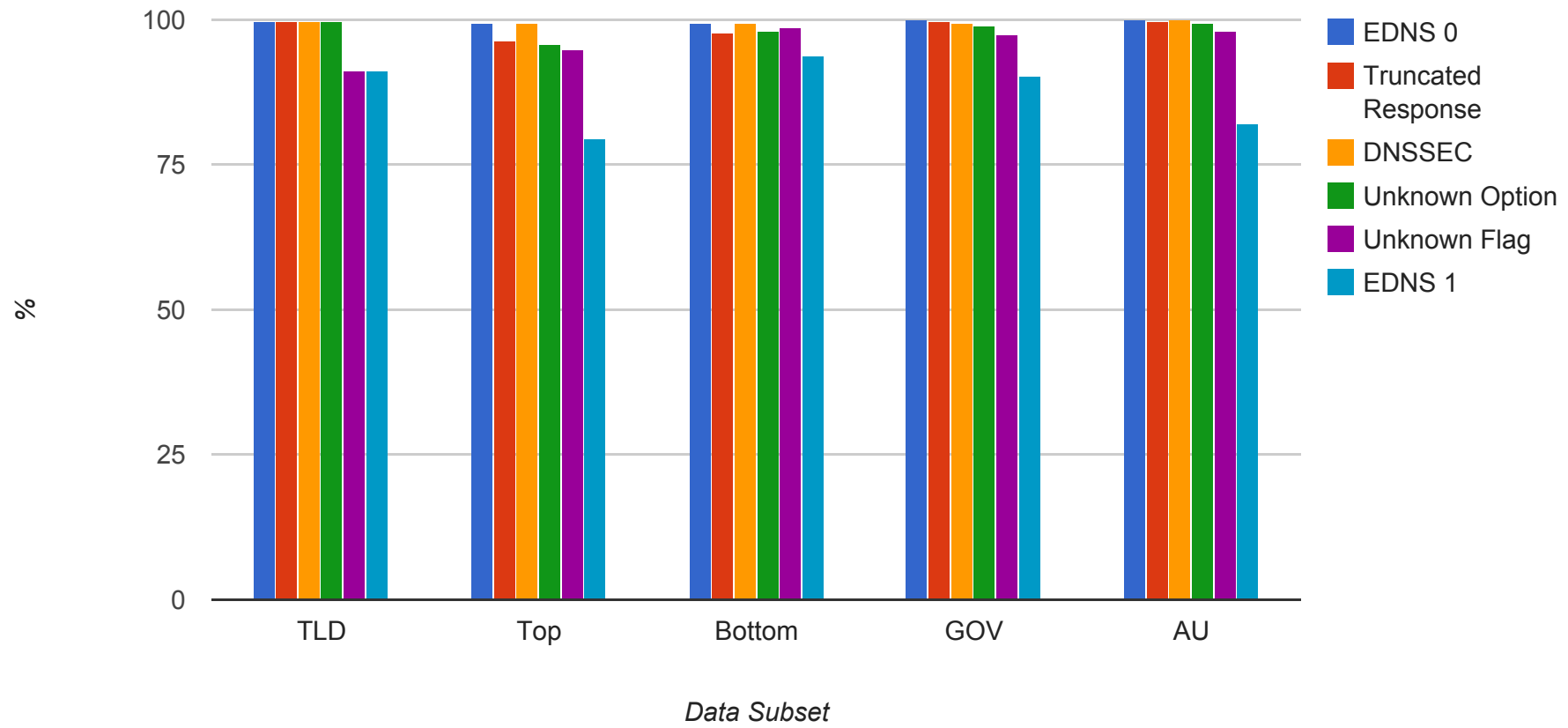
expect: OPT record to be present

expect: OPT=100 to not be present

expect: EDNS Version 0 in response

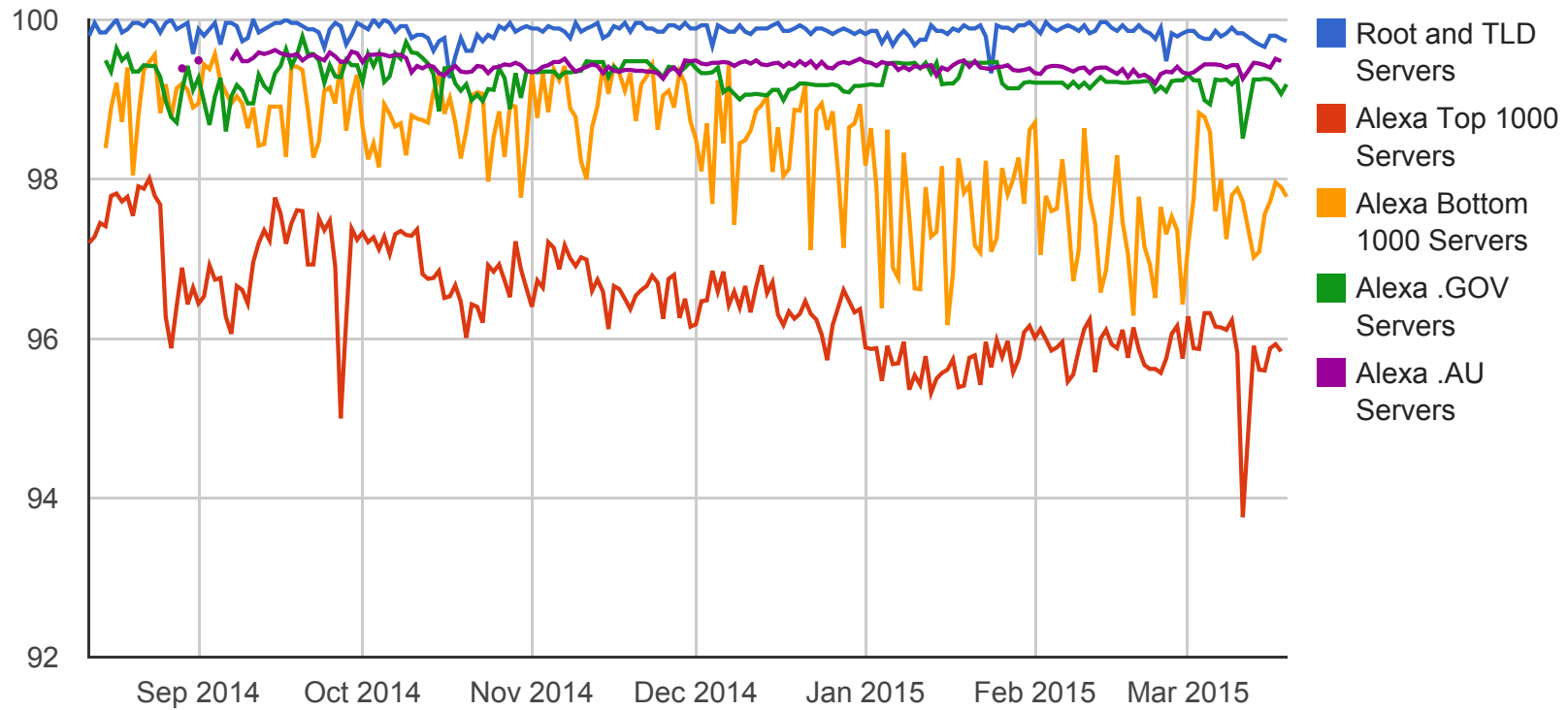
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EDNS Response Rate by Function - 18 Mar 2015

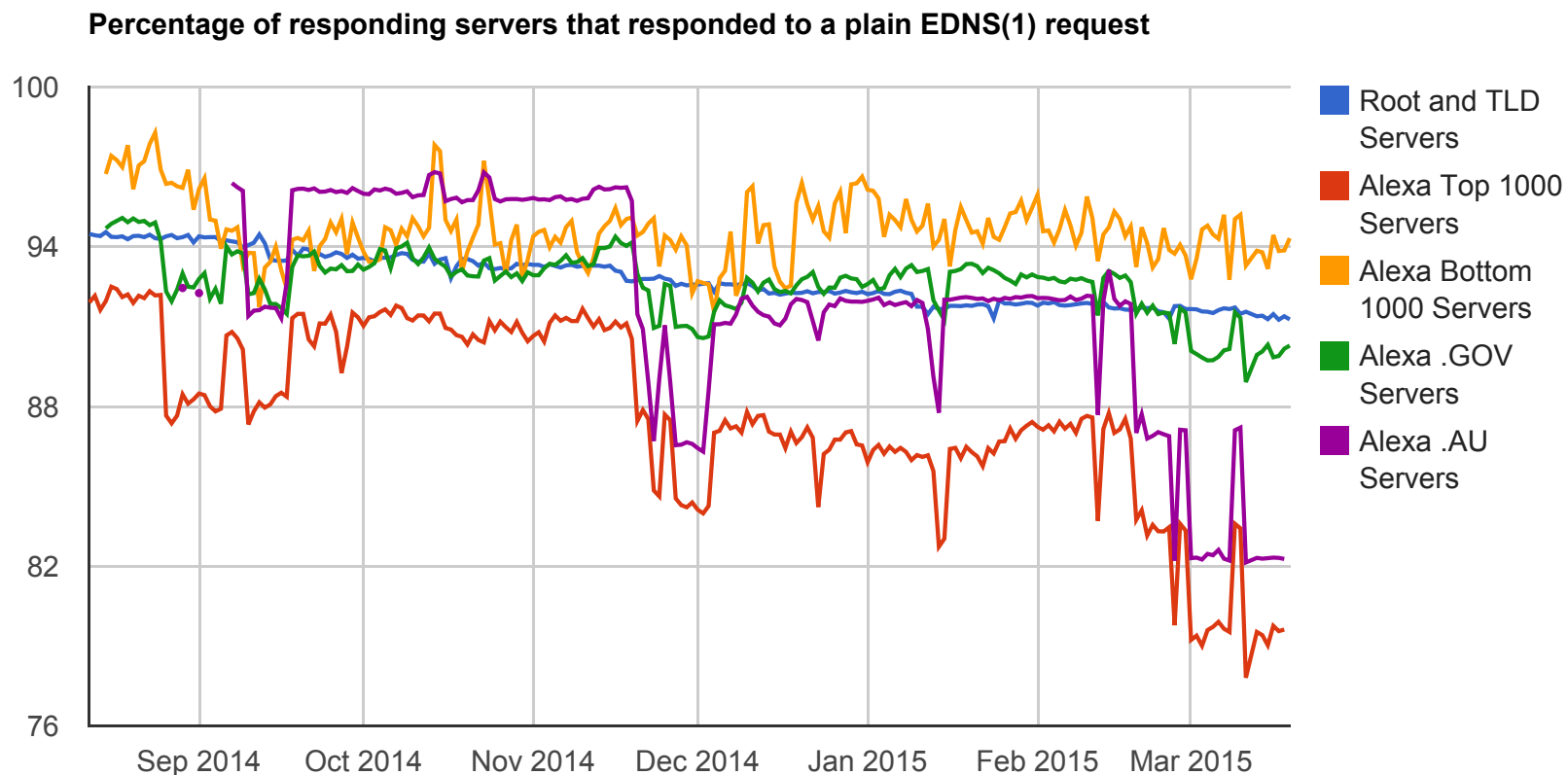


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Percentage of responding servers that responded to a EDNS(0) request with a unknown option



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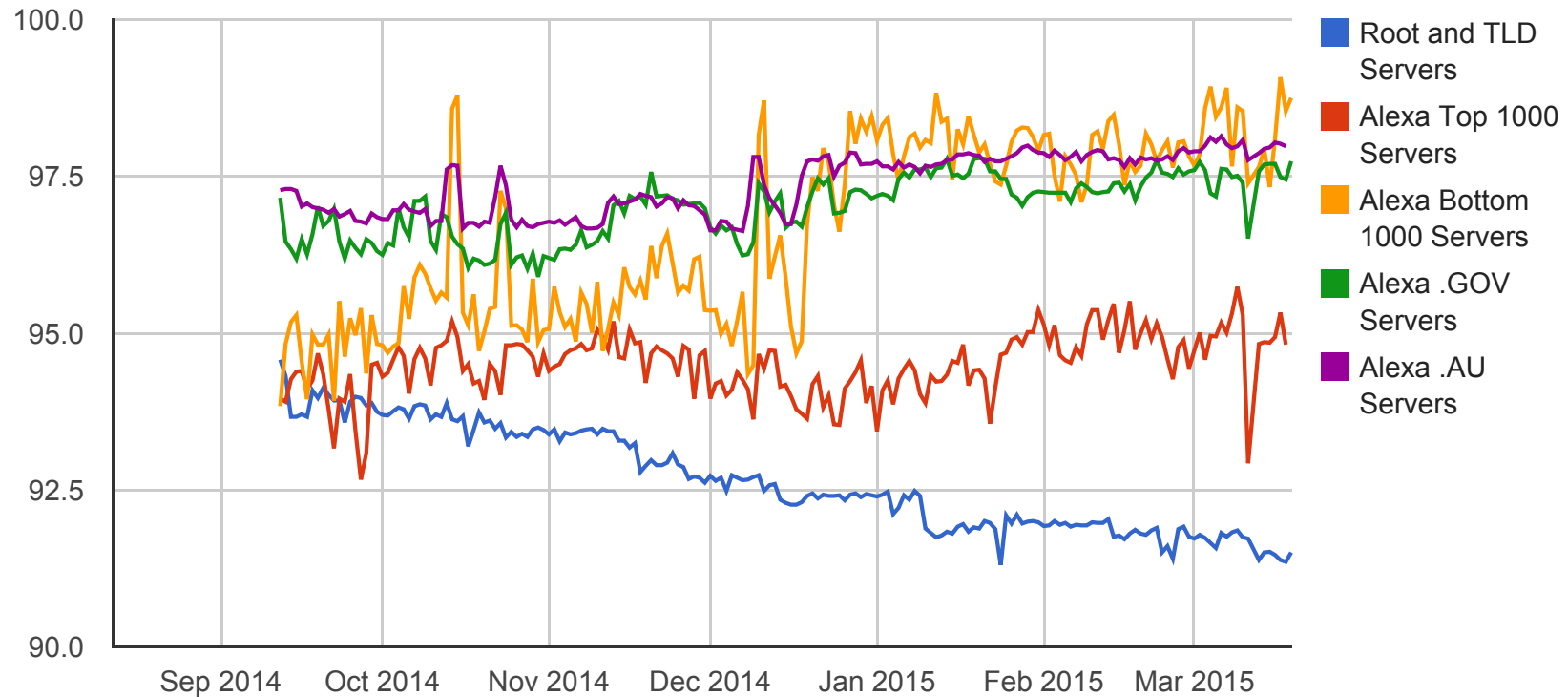


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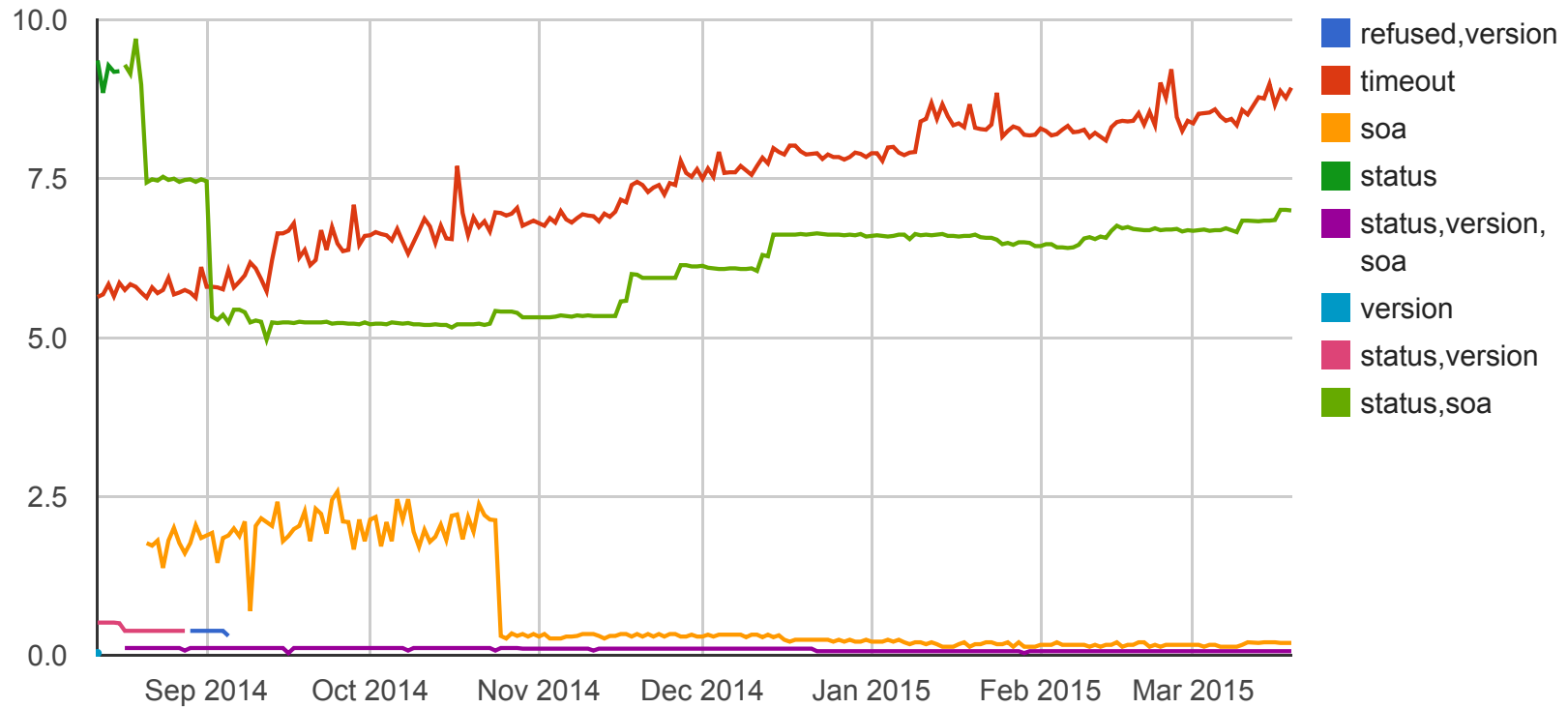
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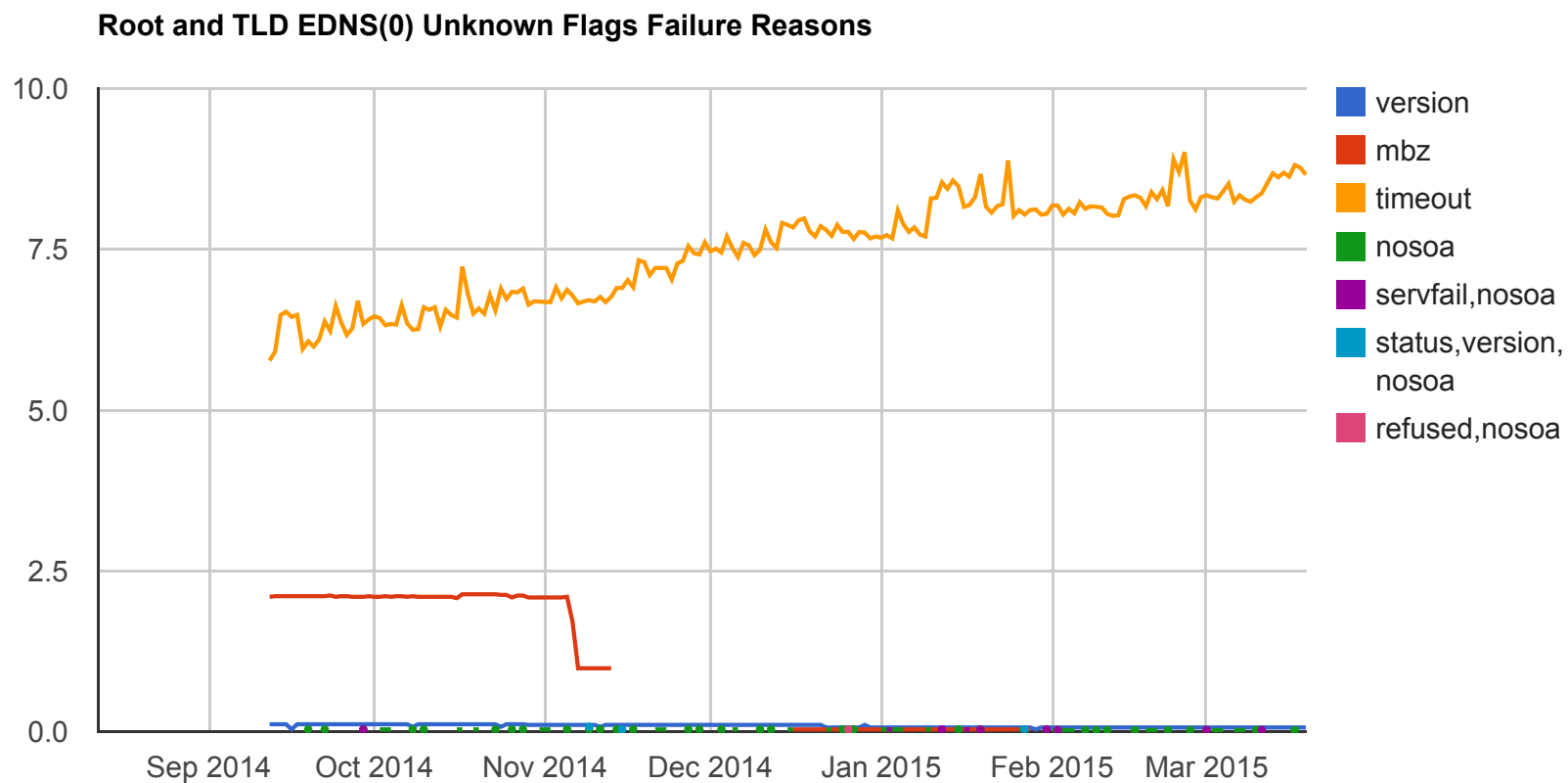
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Root and TLD EDNS(1) Failure Reasons



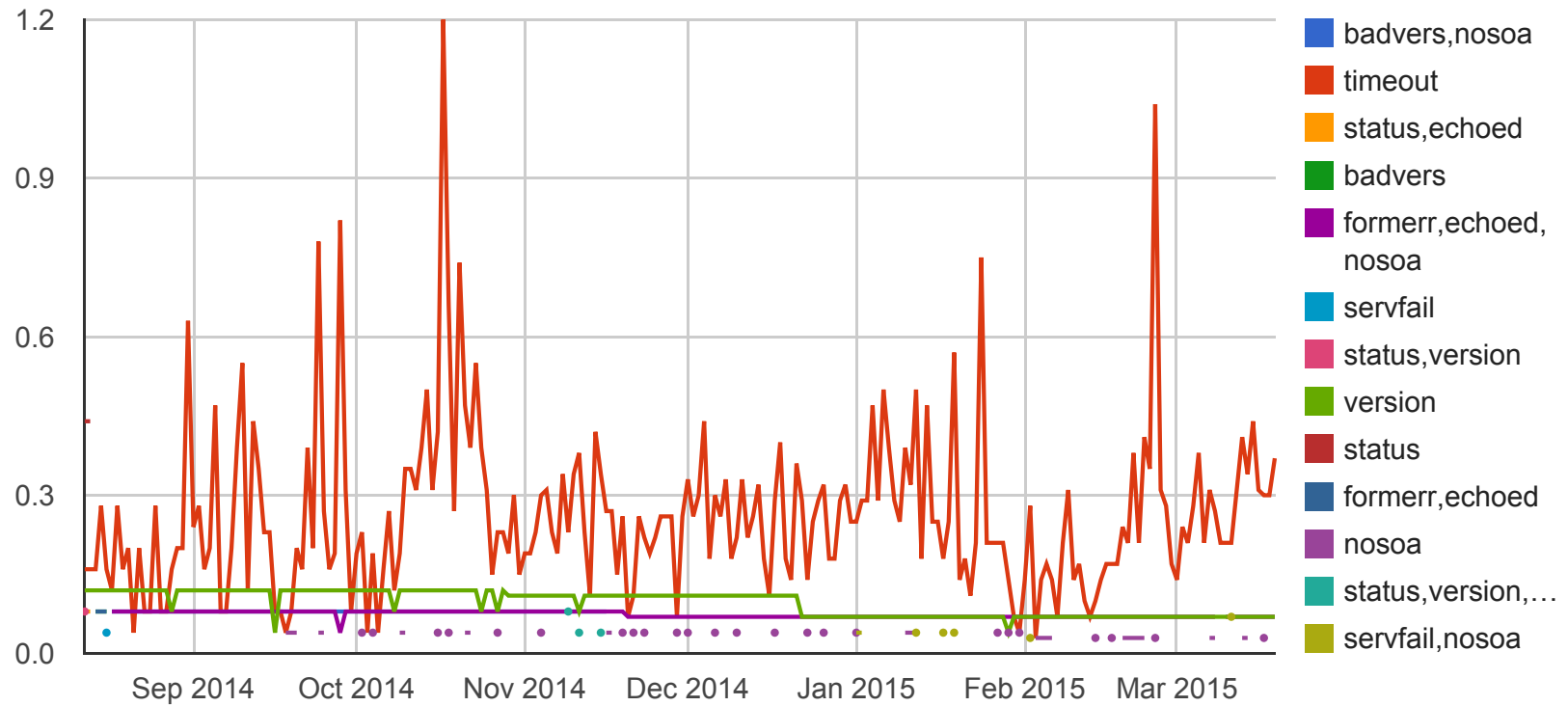
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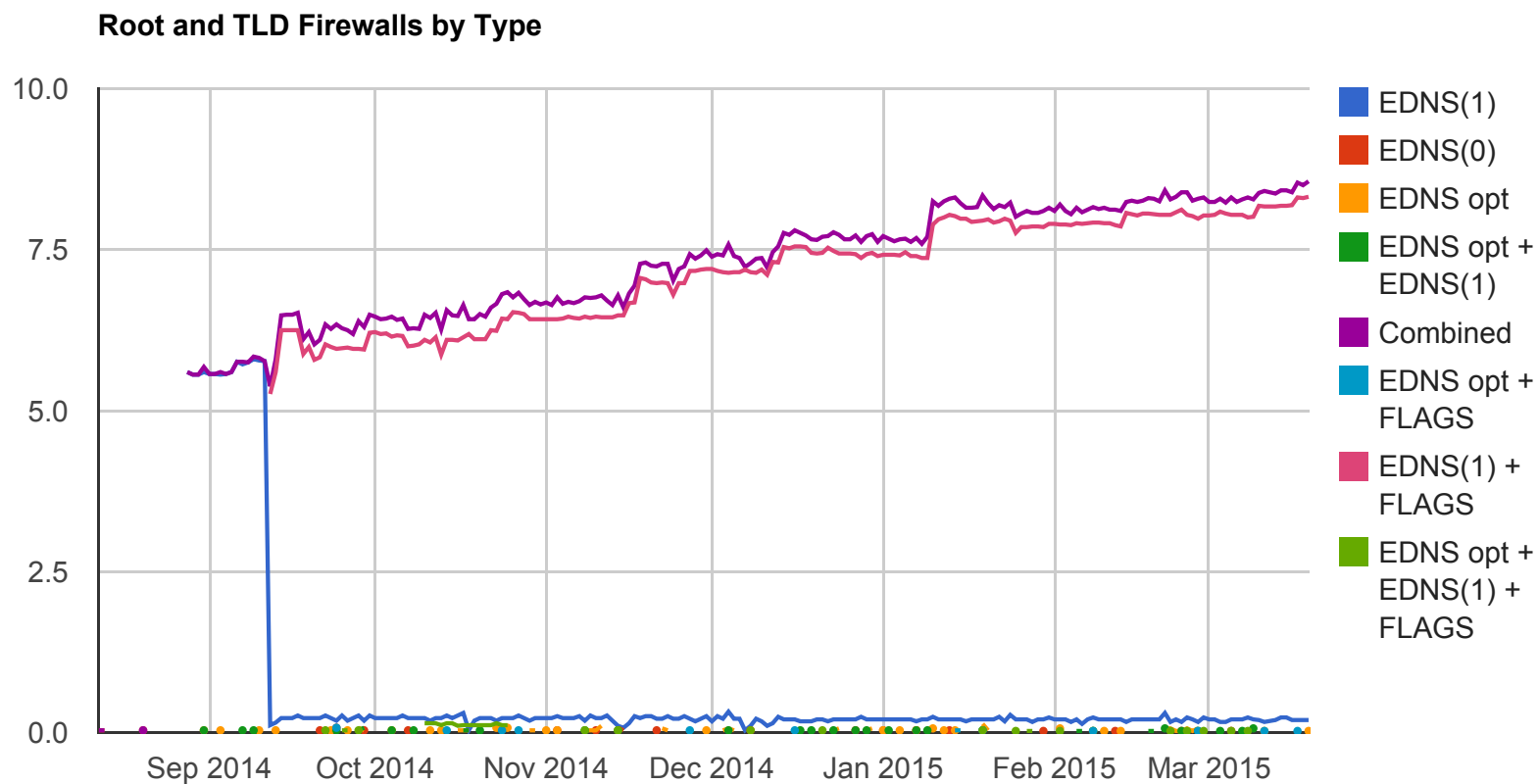
2014-09-14: operators returning unknown flags informed.

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## Root and TLD EDNS(0) Unknown Option Failure Reasons



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EDNS(0) all EDNS queries have timeout and there was a response to the plain DNS query

EDNS(1) only the two EDNS version 1 queries timeout

EDNS(1) + FLAGS the two EDNS version 1 queries timeout as well as the unknown EDNS flags query

# Where Next

- Extend draft-andrews-no-response-issue  
(Working group adoption?)
- Contact Firewall Vendors
- Contact Nameserver Vendors
- Contact Zone Owners / DNS hosters
- Convince TLD/SLD operators to run regular checks
- Add to online DNS checkers.

# TLDs already involved

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# More Information

- <http://users.isc.org/~marka/ts.html>
- <http://users.isc.org/~marka/tld-report.html>
- <http://users.isc.org/~marka/gov-report.html>
- <http://users.isc.org/~marka/au-report.html>
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