



Integrated Cargo System Production Report February 2010

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1 Yearly Overview

1.1 System Activity

1.1.1 Summary

Activity Summary 01-Mar-09 to 28-Feb-10		Total
Exports	Inbound Messages Received by ICS	4,350,283
	Outbound Messages Sent to Clients	5,455,651
Imports	Inbound Messages Received by ICS	24,132,182
	Outbound Messages Sent to Clients	84,750,727

The table above shows activity based on the volume of messages sent by Industry to ICS (Inbound) or sent by ICS to Industry (Outbound), which are counts of messages from the ICS perspective. As such amendments, duplicates, requests for retransmission, etc are included. For example, an inbound Full Import Declaration, which was then amended twice during the reporting period, would appear as 3 inbound messages.

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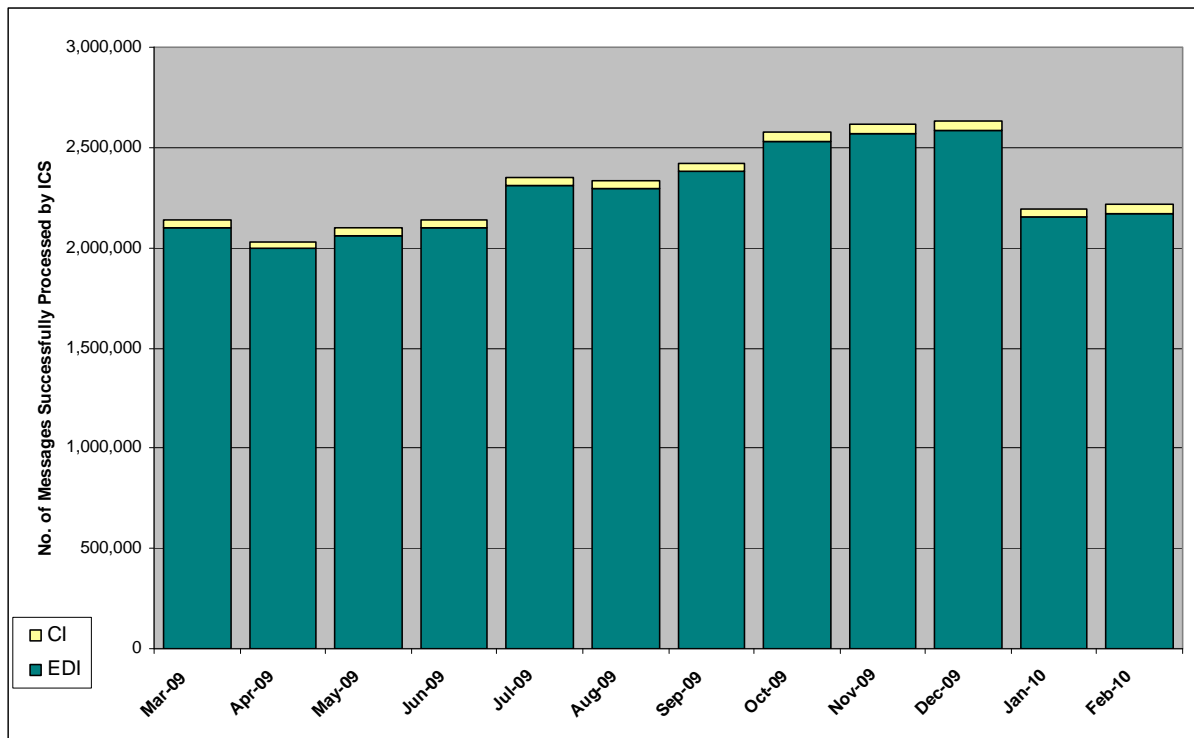
As of Friday 05 March 2010, the number of messages successfully processed by ICS since implementation was:

Exports	22,801,425
Imports	98,613,977
Total	121,415,402

Note:

"Successfully Processed" messages are messages received by ICS, either by EDI or CI, for which a response message was sent, including error messages.

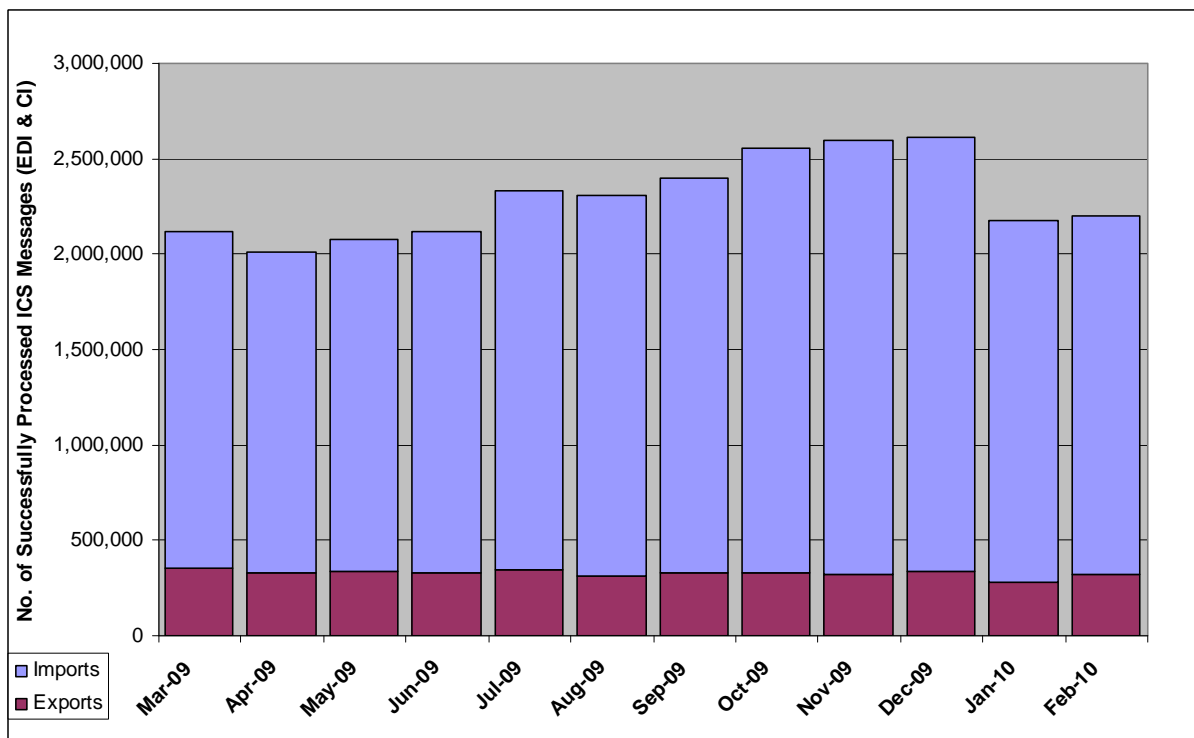
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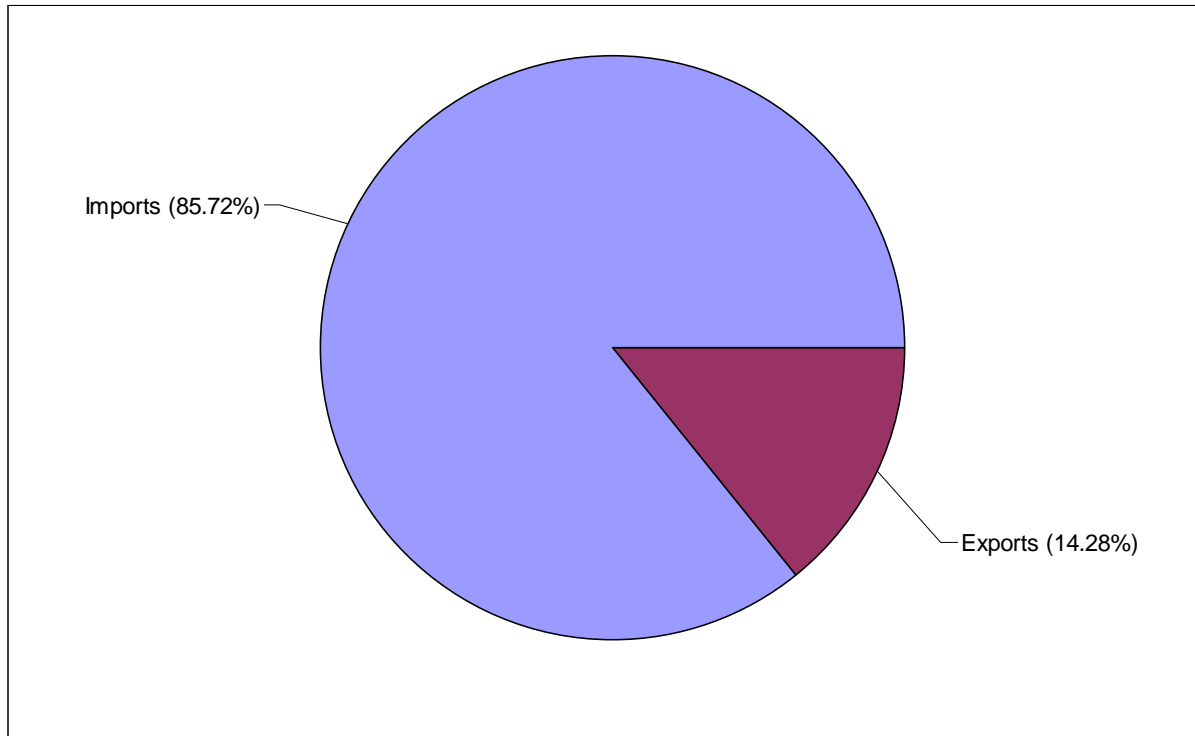
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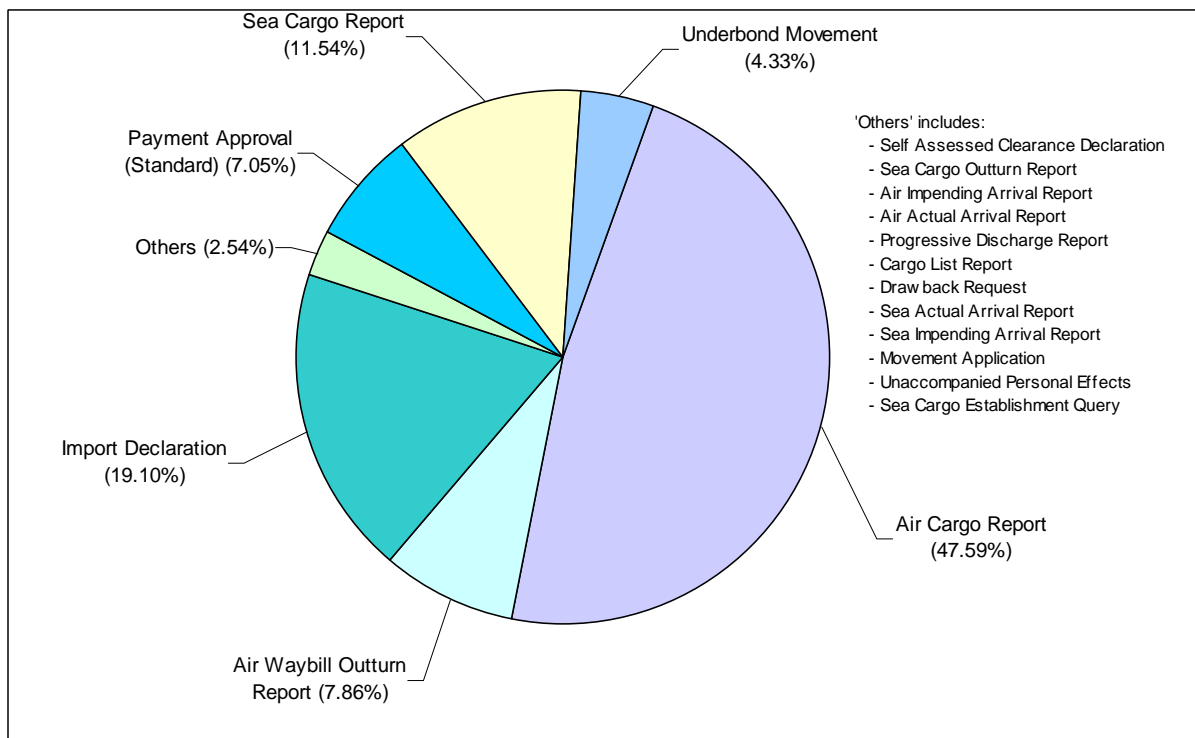
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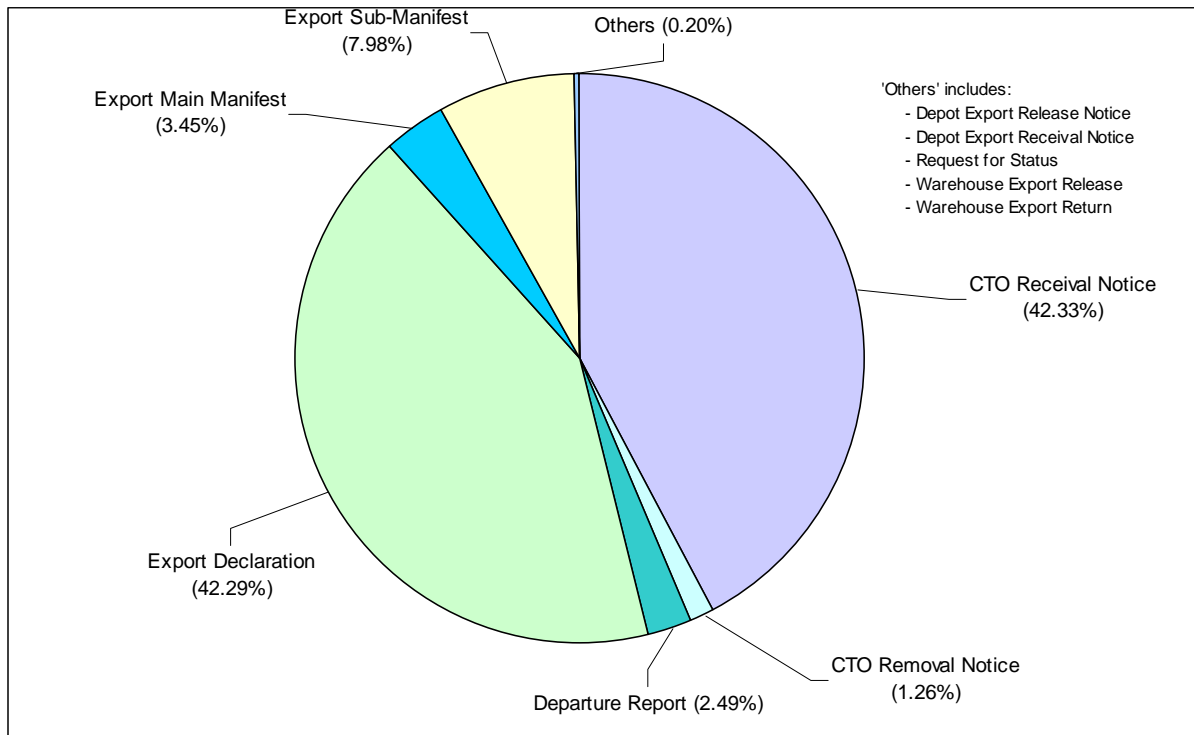
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1.1.6 Exports Successfully Processed ICS Messages by Type (1-Mar-09 to 28-Feb-10)



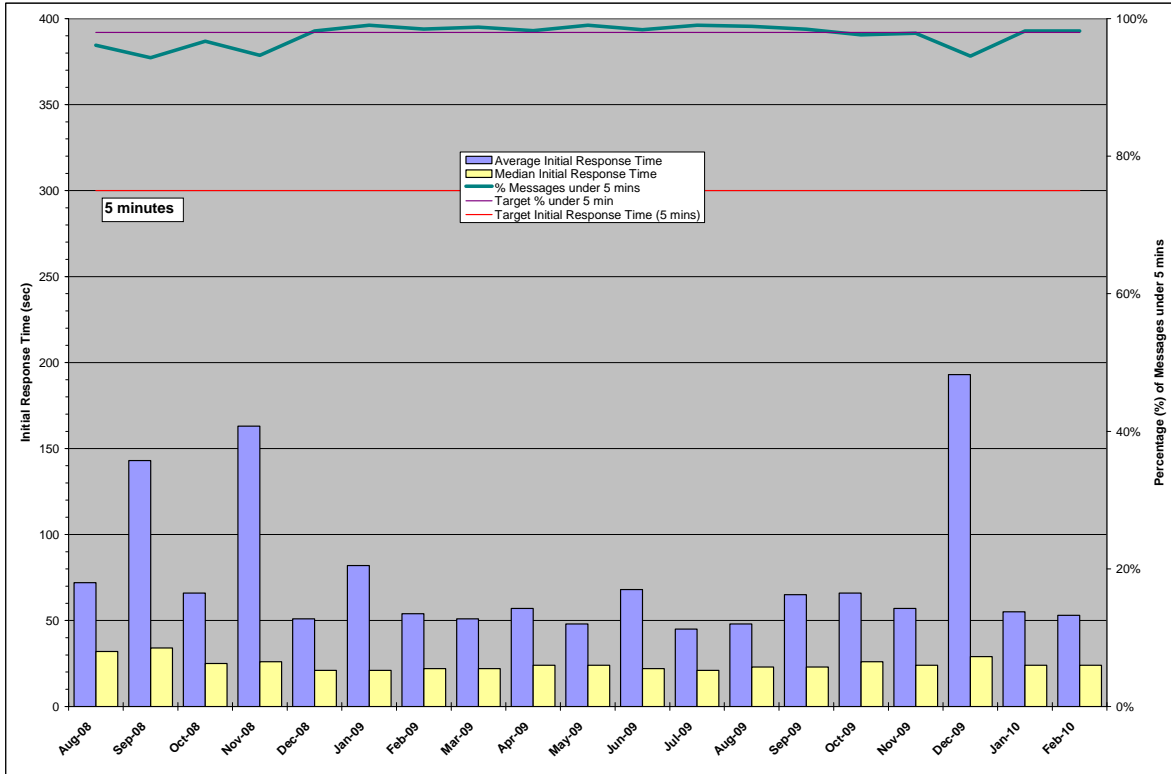
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1.2 EDI Message Initial Response Times

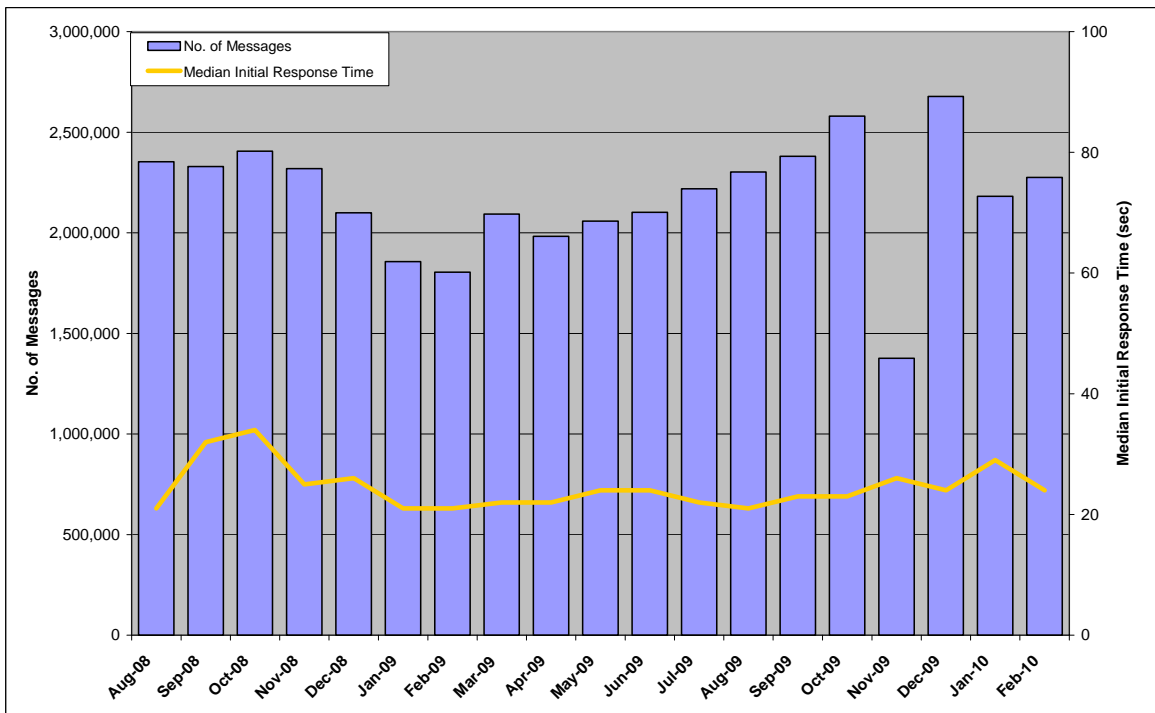
Initial Response time is defined as the time from when the message is received to the corresponding initial advice message leaving Customs.

1.2.1 Monthly EDI Message Initial Response Time



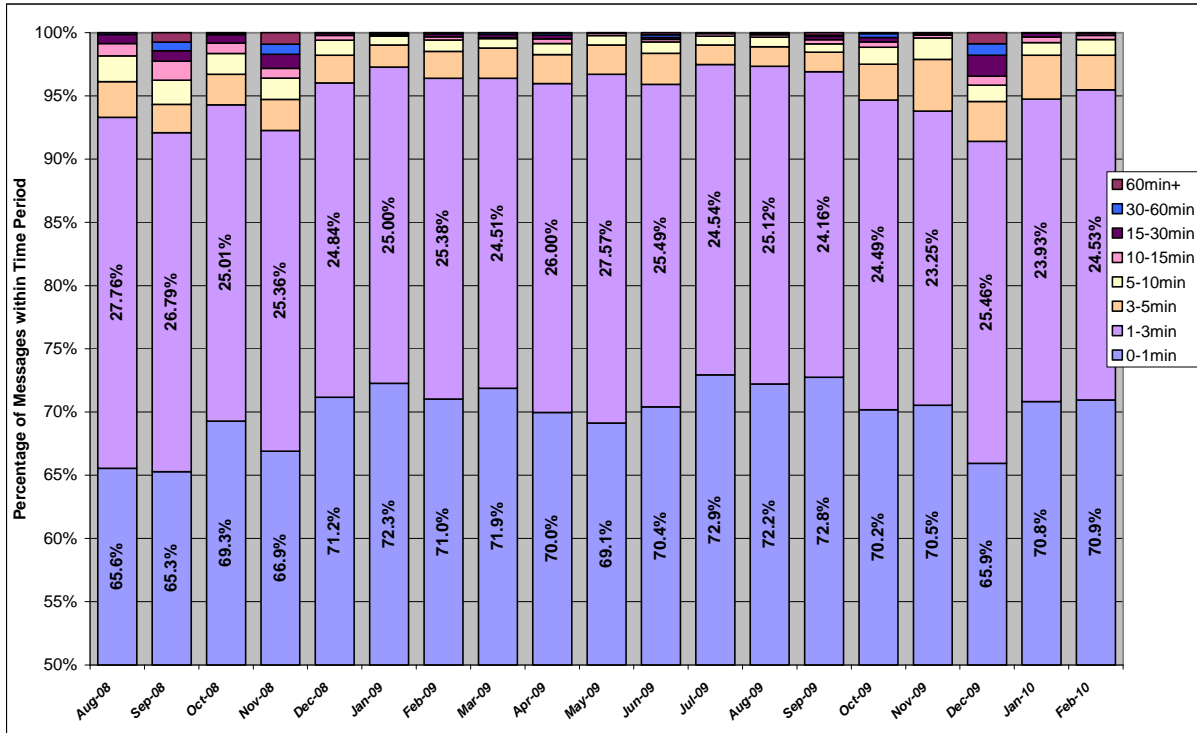
The chart above shows Initial Response time for all messages as an average and median for the month, as well as the percentage of messages under the target of 5 minutes.

1.2.2 Monthly EDI Message Initial Response Time and Message Volume



The chart above shows the median Initial Response Time by month for all messages, as well as the number of messages received.

1.2.3 Monthly EDI Message Initial Response Time Breakdown



The chart above shows the percentage of all messages whose Initial Response time fell within the defined time periods. Initial Response time is defined as the time from when the message is received to the corresponding advice message leaves Customs.

1.3 Service Availability

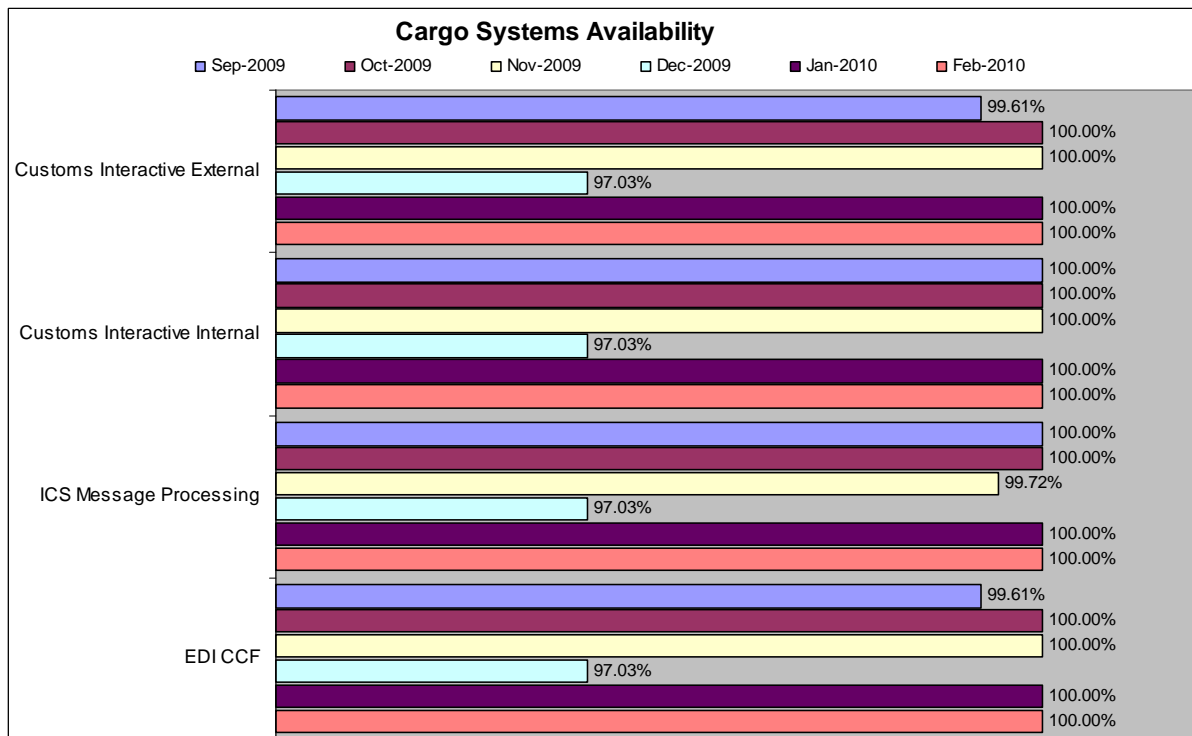
1.3.1 Service Available – External

Average availability of services to Customs clients for the 12 months 01-Mar-09 to 28-Feb-10 was 99.50%.



Note: Electronic cargo systems availability to Customs clients – Target is 99.7% (availability against a typical work day).

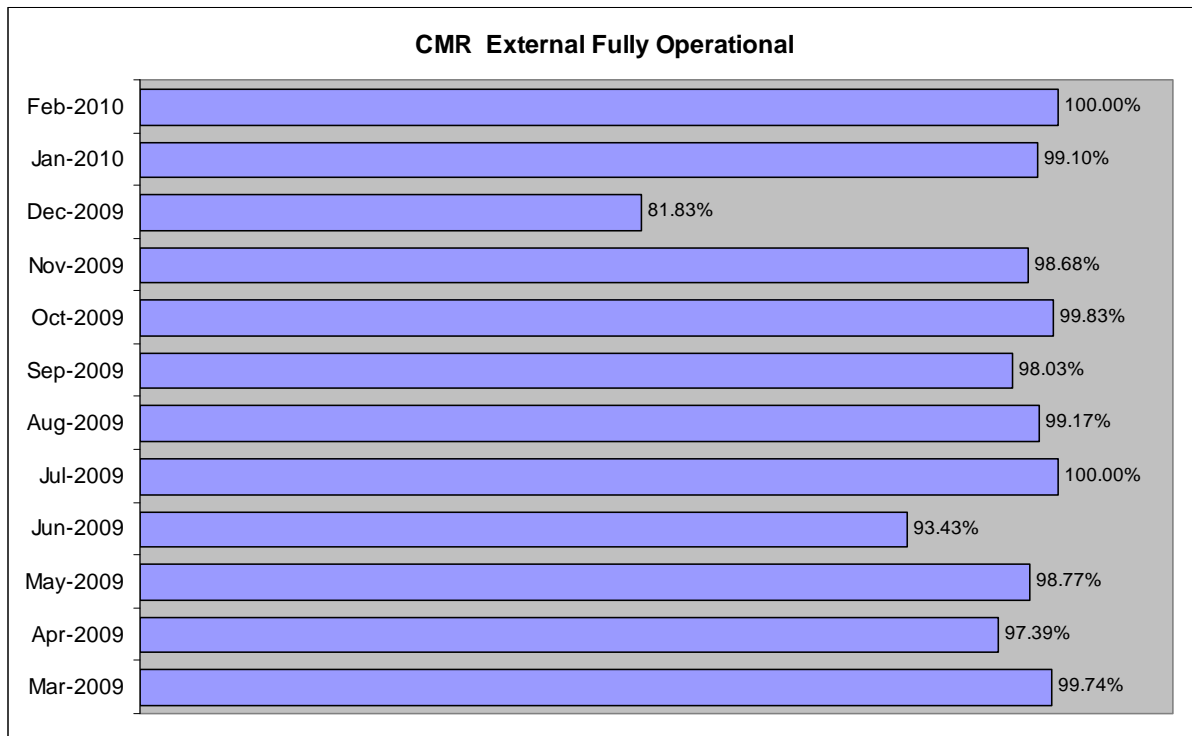
1.3.2 Service Available - Key Systems



For details of Service Issues and Impacts refer to Section 3, page 18.

1.3.3 Service Fully Operational

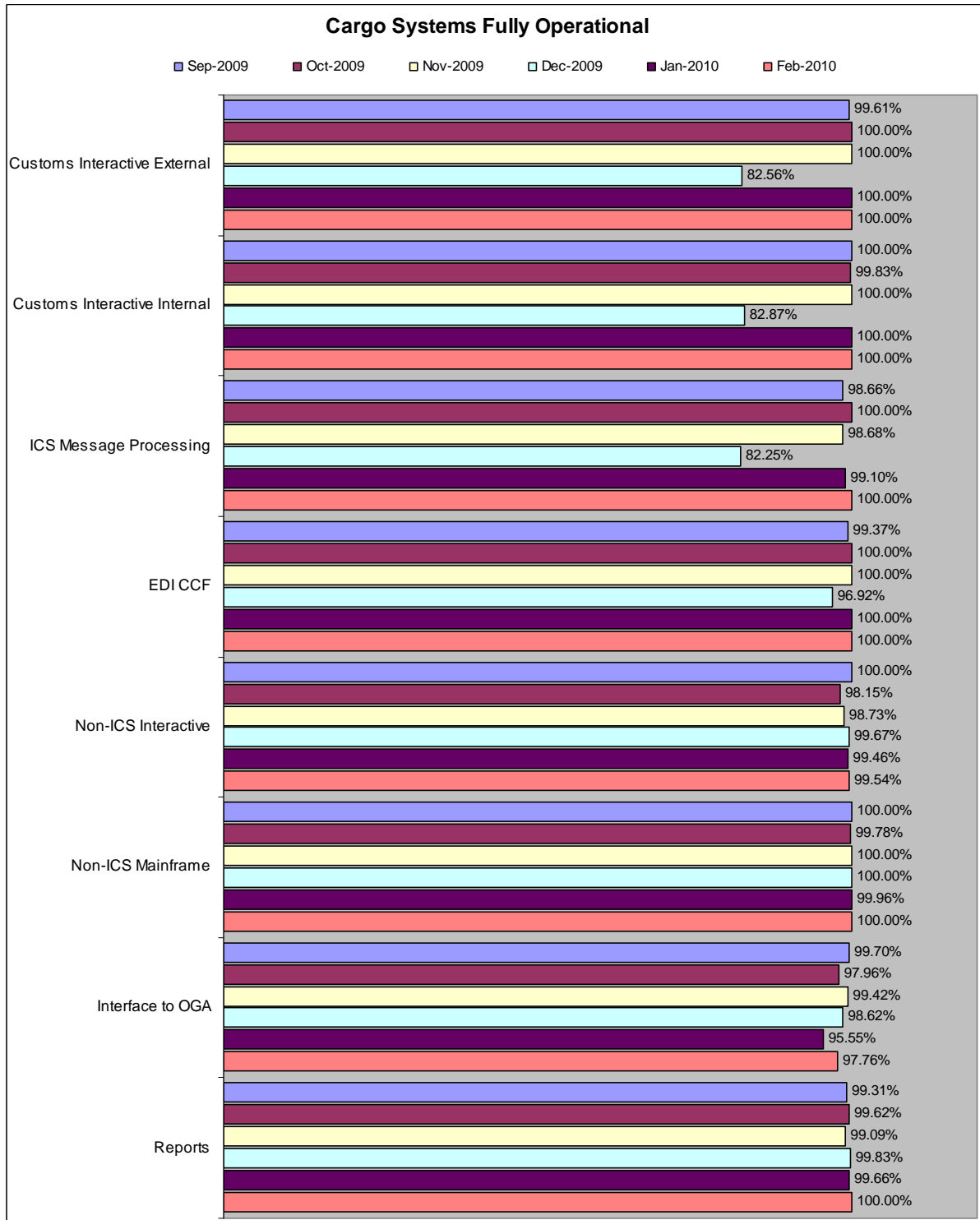
Average operational effectiveness of services for the 12 months 01-Mar-09 to 28-Feb-10 was 97.15%.



The chart above shows the percentage of time the electronic cargo systems were operating at expected performance, with no visible disruption or reduction in expected service for clients.

As an example, a slow down in processing of Customs Interactive or EDI messaging transactions due to a Customs network communications congestion would be treated as not operating at expected performance, even though message processing continued and the service was still available to clients.

1.3.4 Service Fully Operational - Key Systems



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2 Monthly Detail (February 2010)

2.1 System Activity

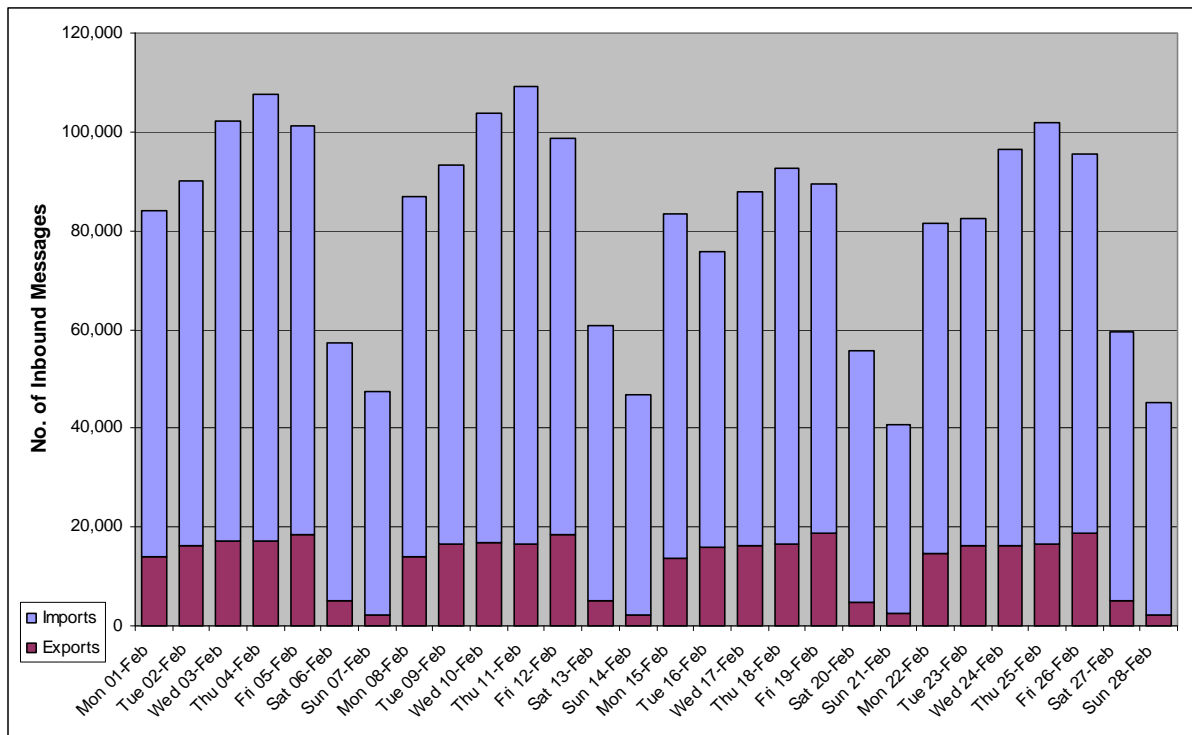
2.1.1 Summary

Mon 01-Feb-10 to Sun 28-Feb-10		Total
Exports	Inbound Messages Received by ICS	358,490
	Outbound Messages Sent to Clients	451,682
Imports	Inbound Messages Received by ICS	1,918,224
	Outbound Messages Sent to Clients	6,710,438

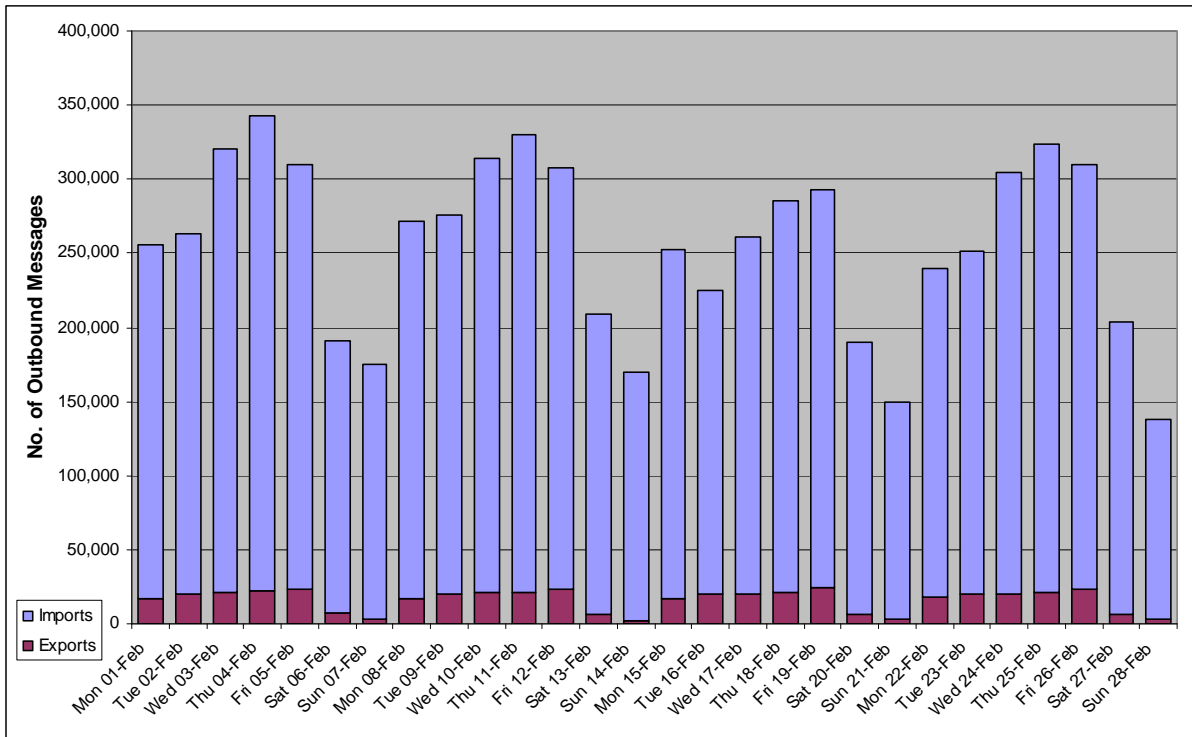
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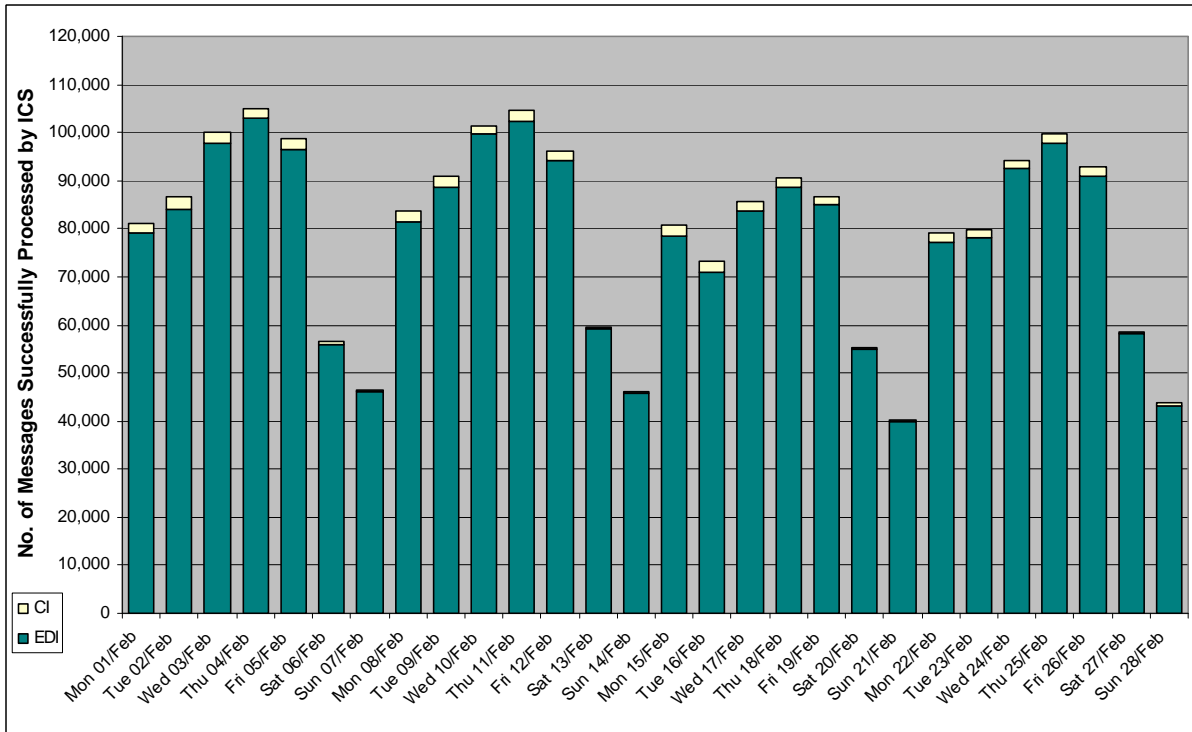
2.1.2 Inbound Message Volume by Day (Feb-10)



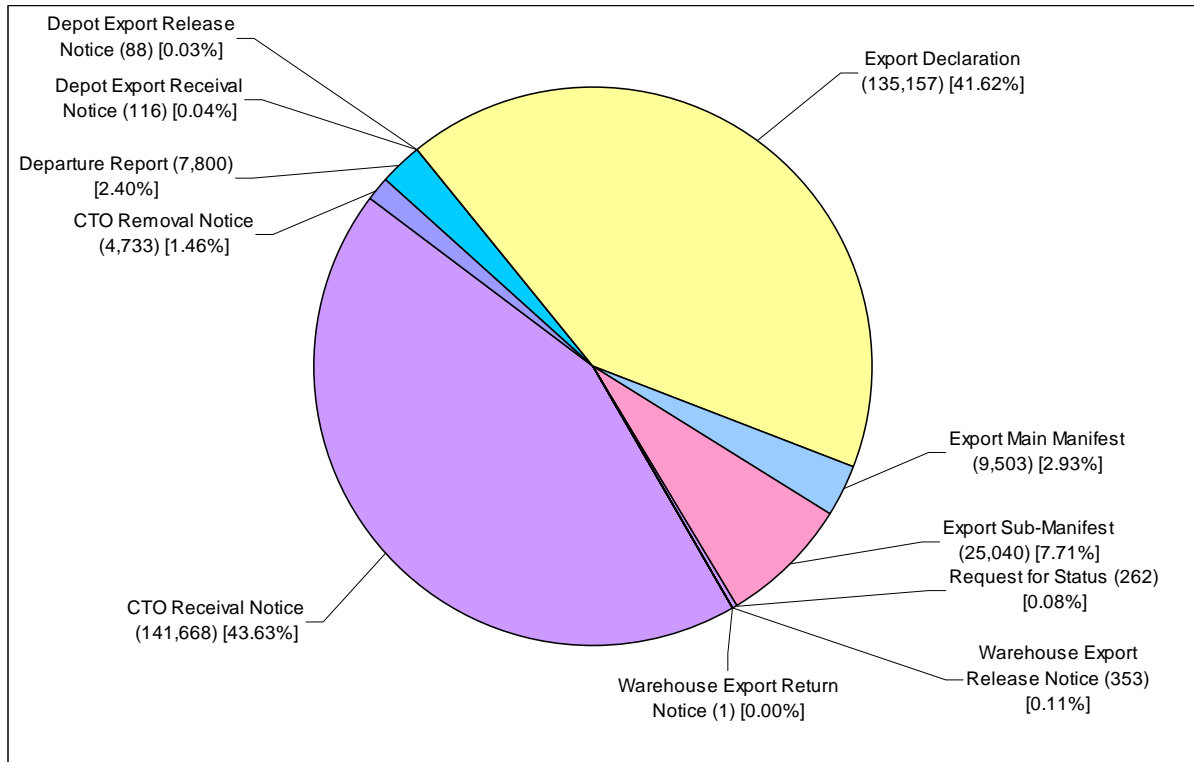
2.1.3 Outbound Message Volume by Day (Feb-10)



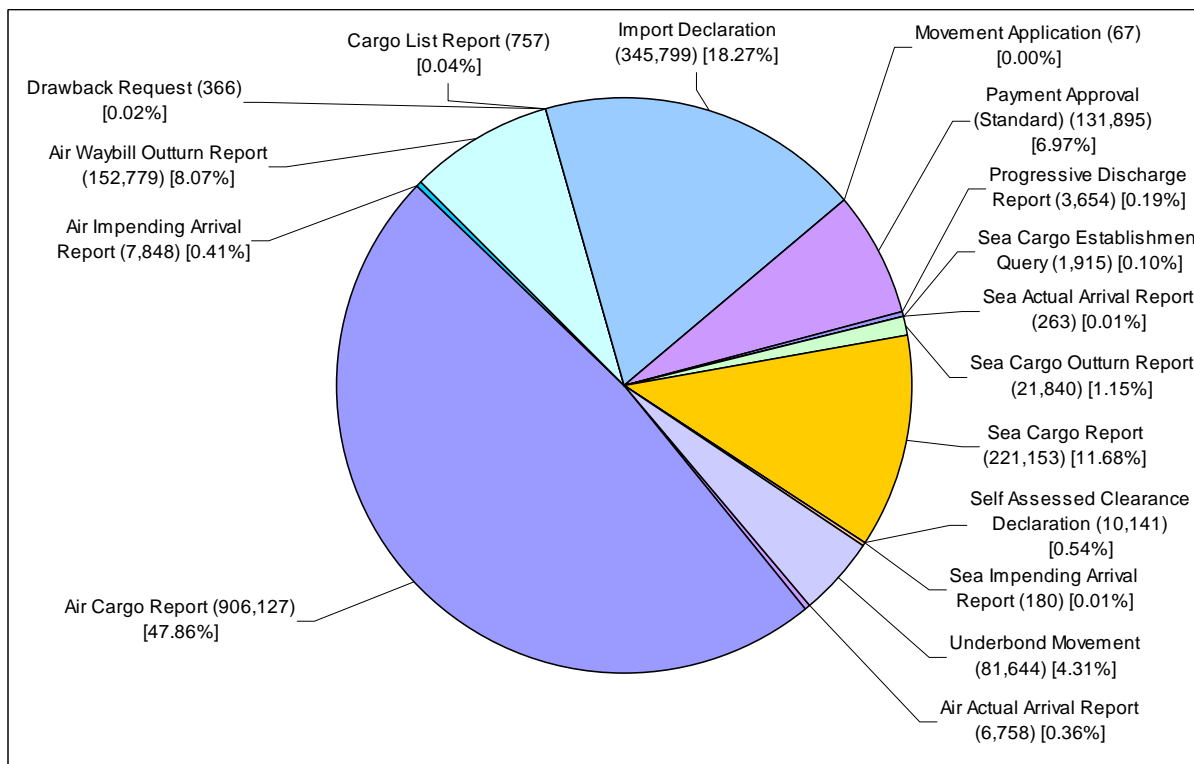
2.1.4 Production - Daily Successfully Processed ICS Messages (Feb-10)



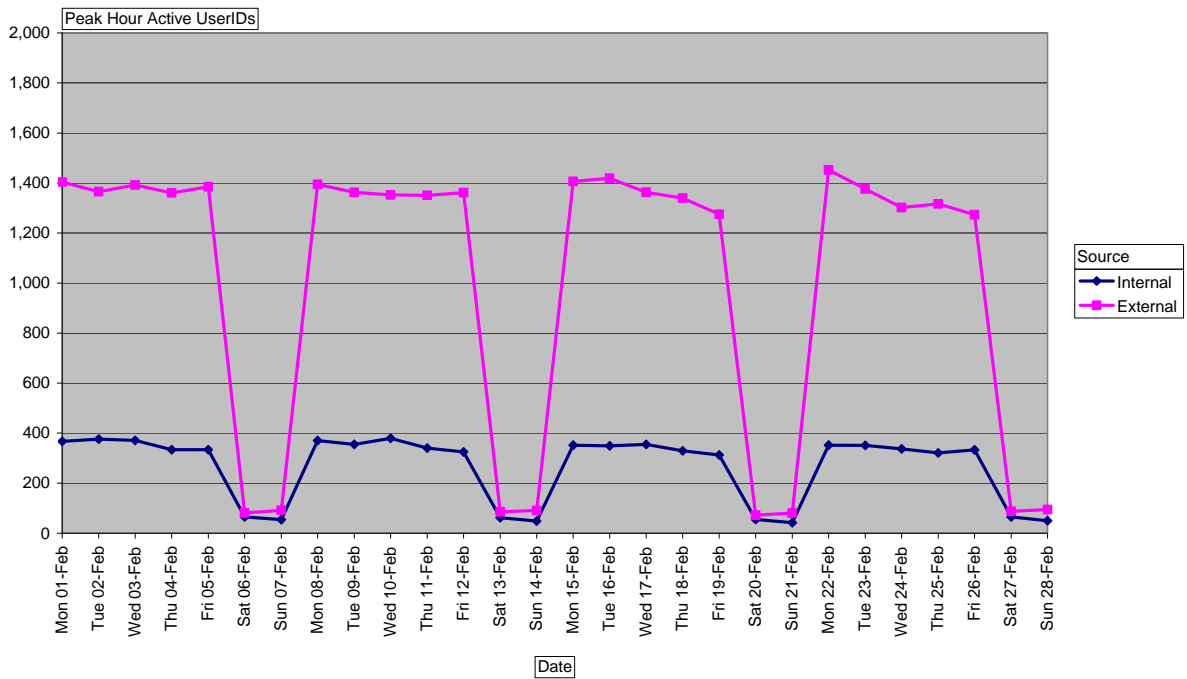
2.1.5 Exports Successfully Processed ICS Messages by Type (Feb-10)



2.1.6 Imports Successfully Processed ICS Messages by Type (Feb-10)

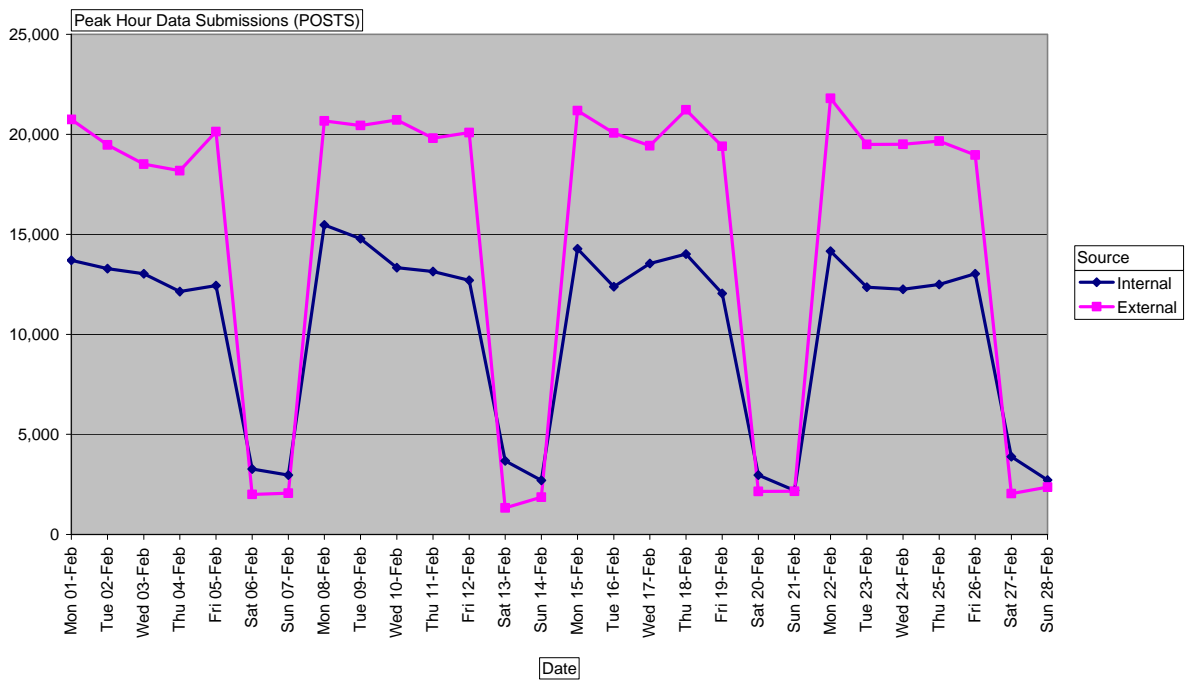


2.1.7 Customs Interactive Daily Peak Hour Active Users



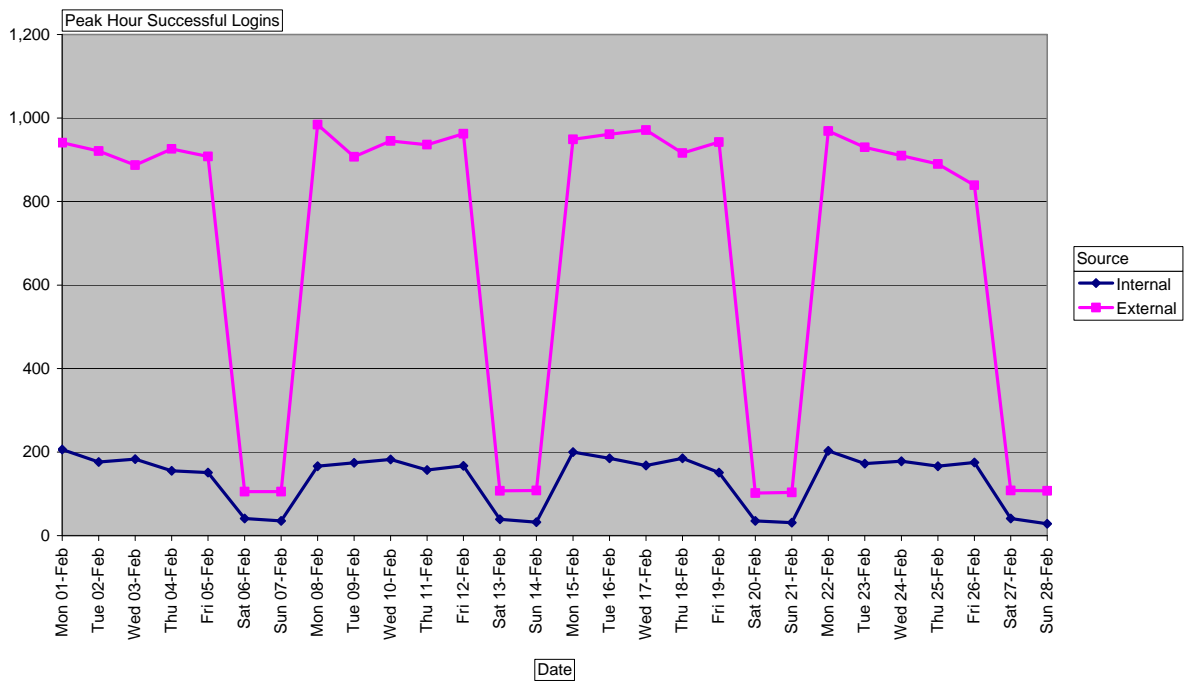
The chart above shows the number of UserIDs logged in and actively using CI on the Production Web Servers in the Peak Hour during a given day.

2.1.8 Customs Interactive Daily Peak Hour System Activity



The chart above shows the number of data submissions (Posts) in during the Peak Hour a given day and is indicative of the System Activity/Load. An example of "Data Submission" would be a user clicking the "Save" button on an ICS screen.

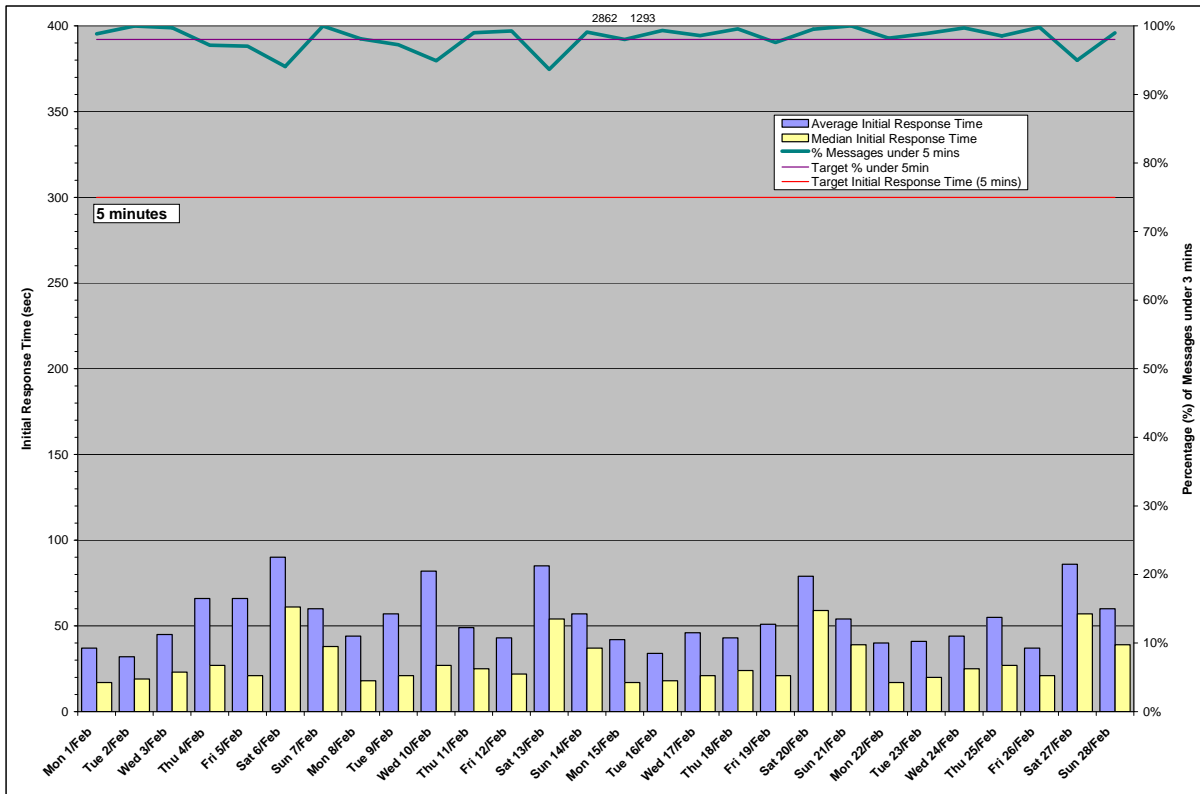
2.1.9 Customs Interactive Daily Peak Hour Successful Logins



The chart above shows the Successful Logins to the Production web servers during the Peak Hour for a given day.

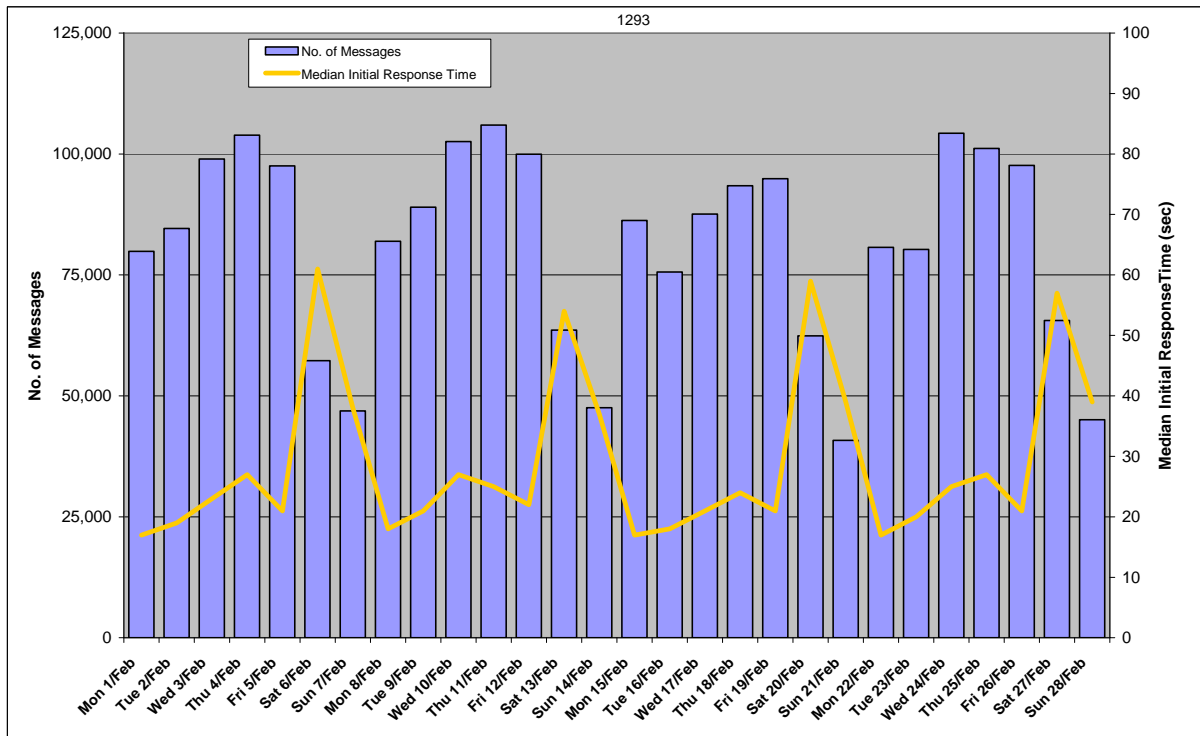
2.2 EDI Message Initial Response Times

2.2.1 Daily EDI Message Initial Response Time (Feb-10)



Note: For December 16 Average Initial Response Time was 2862 seconds and Median Initial Response Time was 1293 seconds.

2.2.2 Daily EDI Message Initial Response Time and Message Volume (Feb-10)



Note: For 16 December Median Initial Response Time was 1293 seconds.

3 Service Issues and Impacts

3.1 Outages

Date	Duration	Description
February 2010		
None		
January 2010		
None		
December 2009		
Sun 20 Dec 2009	4 hrs	Emergency change to restore pre-2009 messaging data to the ICS.
Wed 16 Dec 2009	17 hrs 30 mins	A failure of an ICS change resulted in messaging data being unavailable. This effectively prevented the use of the ICS until 2009 messaging data was made available during the day. ICS processing for current data returned to normal around 2130.
November 2009		
Sat 28 Nov 2009	2 hrs	ICS Prod messages were queuing for 2 hrs due to a process failure.
October 2009		
Wed 14 Oct 2009	12 hrs 19 mins	AQIS EXDOC system not receiving Export Messages- Outage was related to EXDOC only
September 2009		
Wed 02 Sep 2009	2 hrs 45 mins	ICS EDI messaging and External Customs Interactive were unavailable from 2030 to 2315 due to the failure of a background process on an ICS server.
August 2009		
Tue 11 Aug 2009	1 hr 30 mins	ICS unable to send outbound messages due to a certificate issue in the CCF.
Wed 05 Aug 2009	40 mins	ICS unavailable due to deployment overrun.
July 2009		
None		
June 2009		
Tue 30 Jun 2009	1 hr 28 mins	A process on the ICS mainframe failed which prevented inbound messages from being passed from the CCF to the ICS. When the process was restarted, all queued messages were processed normally.
Wed 10 Jun 2009	1 hr	A process on the ICS mainframe failed which prevented inbound messages from being passed from the CCF to the ICS. When the process was restarted, all queued messages were processed normally.
Fri 05 Jun 2009	3 hrs 4 mins	A process on the ICS mainframe failed which prevented inbound messages from being passed from the CCF to the ICS. When the process was restarted, all queued messages were processed normally.
May 2009		
Wed 27 May 2009	56 mins	A system user account on a CCF server expired causing database connection failures shortly before a scheduled outage on 27 May, resulting in all inbound EDI messages failing for 56 minutes. The account was reactivated and set to a non-expiring account to prevent future reoccurrences. An additional slowdown of 10.25 hours occurred while the previously failed messages were reprocessed
April 2009		
Wed 15 Apr 2009	3 hrs 15 mins	The F5 switches in the gateway had a failure which caused an outage to CI external users. It also caused problems in downloading EDI reference files and AQIS connection. Service was restored after failing over to the backup switches.
Tue 07 Apr 2009	4 hrs 30 mins	Telco had a hardware failure which made the internet unavailable at BHDC. The secondary Telco had internal configuration issues which stopped it from working. Service was restored after the configuration issues were rectified by the back up Telco. EDI and CI External were affected during this period for all clients except Direct Connects.
March 2009		
Tue 17 Mar 2009	15 mins	A load balancer in CCF failed, causing messages to queue up. These messages were resent when service restored. No messages were lost.

3.2 Not Performing as Expected

Date	Duration	Description
February 2010		
Thu 18 Feb 2010	46 mins	Export Permit file processing error.
Thu 04 Feb 2010	13 hrs 56 mins	AQIS Issue prevented MQ messages from ICS being received by AQIS.
January 2010		
Fri 29 Jan 2010	10 hrs 8 mins	Export Permit file processing error.
Thu 07 Jan 2010	3 hrs 12 mins	PROD QSP receipts not being acknowledged by ICS.
Thu 07 Jan 2010	22 hrs 15 mins	AIMS has not received any response messages from ICS since 1.48pm.
December 2009		
Tue 22 Dec 2009	32 mins	Export Permit file processing error.
Thu 17 Dec 2009	46 mins	One of the processes in the CCF stopped operating, which slowed down the processing of ICS EDI messages.
Thu 17 Dec 2009	33 mins	Export Permit file processing error.
Wed 16 Dec 2009	2 hrs 27 mins	Export Permit file processing error.
Wed 16 Dec 2009	102 hrs 30 mins	The unavailability of pre-2009 messaging data in the ICS prevented the amendment of old documents or their usage in other new documents such as Refunds and Drawbacks. This was corrected with a fix on 20/12.
Tue 15 Dec 2009	1 hr 35 mins	Export Permit file processing error
Fri 11 Dec 2009	4 hrs	Export Permit file processing error
Fri 04 Dec 2009	22 mins	Export Permit file processing error
Thu 03 Dec 2009	2 hrs 16 mins	An outage to the ODS server occurred, resulting in ICS prints being unavailable.
Tue 01 Dec 2009	1 hr 14 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 74 minutes
November 2009		
Wed 25 Nov 2009	20 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 20 minutes
Wed 11 Nov 2009	15 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 15 minutes
Tue 10 Nov 2009	4 hrs 20 mins	50% of Dept of Defence report emails failed due to spam/firewall upgrades to one of Customs email servers.
Thu 05 Nov 2009	2 hrs 55 mins	The processing of inbound permit numbers from Dept of Defence was delayed for almost 3 hrs
Wed 04 Nov 2009	1 hr 30 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 90 minutes
October 2009		
Tue 27 Oct 2009	1 hr 15 mins	CI login intermittent errors
Fri 23 Oct 2009	13 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 13 minutes
Fri 16 Oct 2009	20 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 20 minutes
Thu 15 Oct 2009	1 hr 37 mins	QSP receipt notify to ICS not updating.
Thu 15 Oct 2009	2 hrs 30 mins	AQIS ICS Messages queuing on the MQ Channel, preventing AQIS from lifting holds from held cargo.
Tue 13 Oct 2009	40 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 40 minutes
Thu 08 Oct 2009	34 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 34 minutes
Wed 07 Oct 2009	18 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 18 minutes
Tue 06 Oct 2009	22 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 22 minutes
Thu 01 Oct 2009	20 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 20 minutes
September 2009		
Tue 29 Sep 2009	3 hrs	External EFT reports were delayed due to delays in the Teradata server
Mon 28 Sep 2009	30 mins	External EFT reports were delayed due to delays in the Teradata server
Thu 24 Sep 2009	1 hr 29 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by approx 2 hrs due to a problem with the Hyperion server.
Mon 21 Sep 2009	52 mins	A looping transaction caused a 30 minute delay to the processing of some ICS messages

Thu 17 Sep 2009	1 hr 40 mins	Approx 1/3 of ICS messages were delayed in the CCF due to CCF server issues.
Thu 10 Sep 2009	2 hrs 5 mins	AQIS Sydney were able to successfully logon to ICS due to AQIS communications failure
Wed 09 Sep 2009	20 mins	External EFT reports were delayed by 20 minutes
Wed 09 Sep 2009	9 hrs 22 mins	Due to a batch process failure, the exchange rates for 09/09/09 were not loaded into the ICS until the next day.
Wed 02 Sep 2009	1 hr	External EFT reports were delayed by 1 hour
August 2009		
Mon 31 Aug 2009	4 hrs	Availability of ICS External EFT reports was delayed due to the failure of a batch process.
Wed 19 Aug 2009	11 hrs	External ICS reports unavailable as a result of a firewall issue.
Wed 05 Aug 2009	9 hrs 42 mins	OGA reports unavailable due to a failure in the OGA ICS report generation batch processes
July 2009		
Wed 29 Jul 2009	115 hrs 4 mins	The mail server sending some OGA reports experienced intermittent failures, resulting in AQIS and Dept of Defence not receiving reports.
June 2009		
Tue 16 Jun 2009	57 mins	Mainframe operating at 100% of CPU, but with no business impact to users.
Wed 10 Jun 2009	9 hrs 40 mins	Exchange rates were successfully loaded into the ICS, but exchange rate files were not sent to EDI reference file users.
May 2009		
Tue 12 May 2009	8 hrs	Exception Error when conducting searches for EDNs. During this 8 hour period, this search was the only aspect affected and was resolved by a deployment of ICS in the regular outage window.
April 2009		
Sat 04 Apr 2009	10 hrs 30 mins	The border routers in the gateway had a hardware failure which stopped the flow of messages to clients connected to router 2 (TNT, FedEx & 1 Stop). Clients were failed over to their secondary communications whilst while service was restored.
March 2009		
Tue 24 Mar 2009	30 mins	ICS messages delayed 30 mins due to a large volume of incoming messages from AQIS. This was due to the AQIS link being down and message volumes accumulating.
Tue 10 Mar 2009	10 mins	The reboot of a CCF PKI server caused delays for the processing of some messages
Mon 09 Mar 2009	54 mins	Messages were delayed in CCF due to issues with the SQL agent. The agent was restarted, which resolved the problem.
Wed 04 Mar 2009	6 mins	Broker Renewal Invoices failed to generate for a number of sole trader brokers
Mon 02 Mar 2009	5 mins	Messages were delayed due to a node failure in CCF.

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