Community Metrics Report

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Reporting on July 2018

Comparisons are to July 2017 Report
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Source: Metrics categories borrowed from Dawn Foster of MeeGo: http://wiki.meego.com/Metrics
Awareness Metrics

Discovering the community, learning more about it (potential community members)
ros.org:
Visitors & Page Views
wiki.ros.org Visitors: July 2018

Site: wiki.ros.org
Source: Google Analytics
Annual Growth: 21%
wiki.ros.org visitor locations:

Source: Google Analytics
Site: wiki.ros.org in July 2018
Public wiki.ros.org Mirrors

- Asia:
  - Singapore
  - China
  - Tokyo, Japan
- Europe:
  - Ireland
  - Freiburg, Germany
  - Barcelona, Catalonia
- North America:
  - College Park, Maryland
  - Saint Louis, Massachusetts
  - Potsdam, New York
- South America
  - Sao Paulo, Brazil

This report does not include data from these mirrors.

Source: http://wiki.ros.org/Mirrors
answers.ros.org: visitors
answers.ros.org visitors: July 2018

Site: answers.ros.org
Source: Google Analytics
Annual Growth: 20%
Membership Metrics

Taking the time to sign up and join the community (passive and active community members)
Site & list membership

- discourse.ros.org users
  - 3,015 (250% increase)
- ros-users@lists.ros.org subscribers (deprecated):
  - 1,940 (8% decrease)
- wiki.ros.org users:
  - 7,696 (14% increase)
- answers.ros.org users:
  - 22,427 (22% increase)

Sources: MailMan, MoinMoin, askbot, Discourse
Engagement Metrics

Interacting with other community members (active community members)
wiki.ros.org: activity in July 2018

- Wiki pages: 15,092 (20% decrease)
- Wiki page edits: 17.2 / day (averaged over July, 15% decrease)
- Wiki page views: 71,124 / day (averaged over July, 22% increase)

Source: MoinMoin, Google Analytics (sampled 2018-09-28)
answers.ros.org: activity

- Total questions:
  - 42,360 (17% increase)
- Answered questions:
  - 29,269 (18% increase)
- New questions in July:
  - 648 (20.9 / day, 27% increase)
Histogram of users by karma. Users get karma points for having answers upvoted (+10) or accepted (+15) and for accepting someone else’s answer (+2).
discourse.ros.org activity

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Source: http://discourse.ros.org/about
Sampled: 2018-09-28
Code Metrics

Engaging with the ROS project at a code level (developers and users)
Binary Downloads – July 2018

- Total Unique Visitors downloading .deb files:
  - 327,985 (41% increase)
- Total downloads of .deb packages:
  - 16,155,301 (20% increase)
- Unique package names downloaded as .deb files:
  - 11,770 (25% increase)
- Number of unique versions of .deb packages downloaded:
  - 70,481 (32% decrease)

Source: Apache2, counting only downloads from the main repository (not the testing repository, shadow-fixed, or mirrors). Some server logs may have been lost prior to analysis.
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Downloads by architecture
Direct downloads from packages.ros.org - July 2018

i386: 2.26 %
amd64: 86.47 %
armhf: 3.63 %
arm64: 3.07 %
source: 0.39 %

artful_amd64: 0.26 %
artful_source: 0.01 %
bionic_amd64: 5.72 %
bionic_arm64: 0.06 %
bionic_armhf: 0.13 %
bionic_source: 0.03 %
jessie_amd64: 0.10 %
jessie_arm64: 0.00 %
jessie_source: 0.01 %
precise_amd64: 0.10 %
precise_i386: 0.09 %
precise_source: 0.02 %
raring_i386: 0.00 %
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saucy_i386: 0.00 %
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stretch_arm64: 0.06 %
stretch_armhf: 0.00 %
stretch_source: 0.05 %

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trust_i386: 1.03 %
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xenial_amd64: 58.52 %
xenial_arm64: 2.65 %
xenial_armhf: 2.77 %
xenial_i386: 1.06 %
xenial_source: 0.20 %
yakkety_amd64: 0.00 %
yakkety_source: 0.00 %
zesty_amd64: 0.03 %
zesty_source: 0.00 %
Binary Downloads by rosdistro

The fraction of packages downloaded per rosdistro

- Hydro and earlier: 0.17 %
- Indigo: 14.50 % (Long Term Support Release)
- Jade: 0.50 %
- Kinetic: 62.89 % (Long Term Support Release)
- Lunar: 2.70 %
- Melodic: 6.49 % (Long Term Support Release)
- Rosdistro independent: 11.22% (packages like python-rosdistro and python-rosinstall, as well as backported 3rdparty libraries like pcl and colladadom)

Source: Apache2, counting only downloads from the main repository (not the testing repository, shadow-fixed, or mirrors)
Public Debian Package Mirrors

- ExBot Robotics Lab (China)
- USTC (China)
- Tsinghua University (China)
- Ireland
- Singapore
- Freiburg (Germany)
- Delft University of Technology (The Netherlands)
- Clarkson University (USA)
- University of Maryland (USA)
- Centro Universitário da FEI (Brazil)
- University of Tokyo (Japan)

This report does not include data from these mirrors.

Source: http://wiki.ros.org/ROS/Installation/UbuntuMirrors
The rosdistro [http://github.com/ros/rosdistro](http://github.com/ros/rosdistro) is the repository where releases are managed and the main index of publicly announced ROS packages. Most pull requests on this repository are requests for indexing or packaging of ROS packages.
Research use

Total number of papers citing “ROS: an open-source Robot Operating System” (Quigley et al., 2009):

4806 (29% increase)

Source: Google Scholar 2018-09-28
The number of different types of robots available to the community with ROS drivers.

Source: Ken Conley, Tully Foote, wiki.ros.org/RosRobots, 2017 changed over to Robots.ros.org