DDN Network Information Center WHOIS Service

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Description

WHOIS/NICNAME is a NIC program that provides an electronic ''white pages'' of network entities. WHOIS lists the name, network mailbox, US postal address, telephone number, and host for all users registered with the NIC. WHOIS also provides information about registered hosts, domains, and networks, including the names and addresses of designated points of contact, host addresses, and domain servers. There are currently more than 75,000 users and points of contact registered.

Network access

Access to the WHOIS program is available in a number of ways.

- Via client programs that query the WHOIS server
- Via Telnet to users who connect to <NIC.DDN.MIL> (<192.67.67.20>)
- Via automatic mail server by sending a message to <SERVICE@NIC.DDN.MIL>

Who Can Use WHOIS

WHOIS services are available to all users of the Internet and also to users on networks that gateway to the Internet. Any Internet user with a valid electronic mailbox can be listed in the WHOIS database.

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