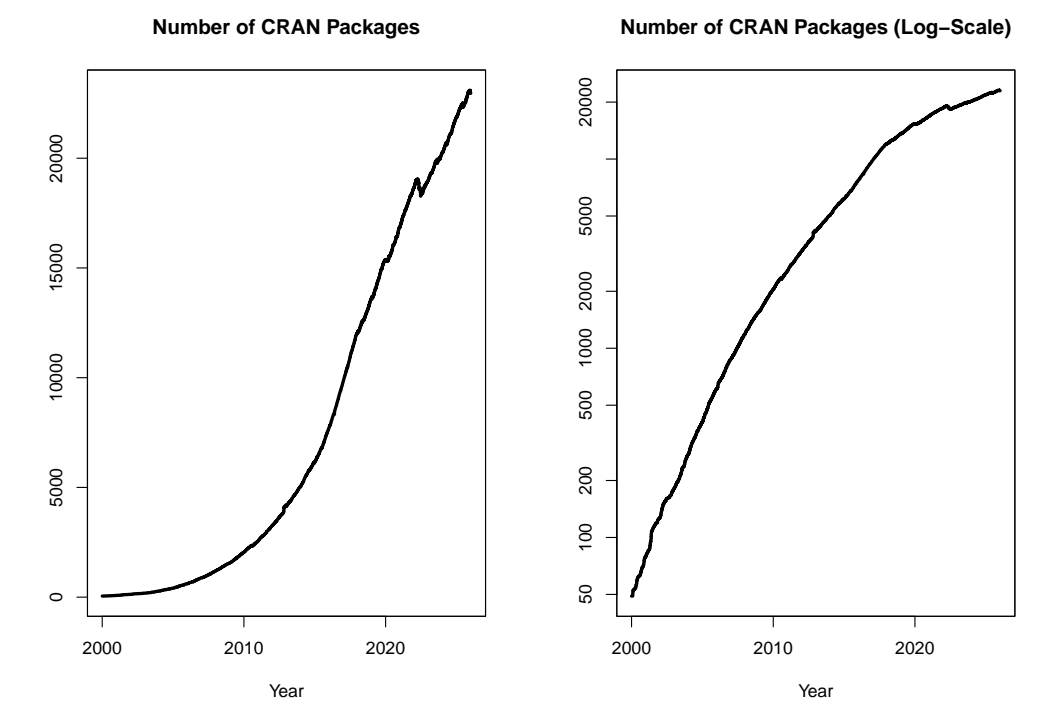# Changes on CRAN

2025-10-01 to 2025-12-31

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1 CRAN growth

In the past 3 months, 590 new packages were added to the CRAN package repository. 158 packages were unarchived, 594 were archived and 0 had to be removed. The following shows the growth of the number of active packages in the CRAN package repository:

On 2025-12-31, the number of active packages was around 22969.

2 CRAN package submissions

From October 2025 to December 2025 CRAN received 7066 package submissions. For these, 11187 actions took place of which 8337 (75%) were auto processed actions and 2850 (25%) manual actions.

Minus some special cases, a summary of the auto-processed and manually triggered actions follows:

	archive	inspect	newbies	pending	pretest	publish	recheck	waiting
auto	2258	634	1643	146	0	2306	770	308
manual	1072	1	7	7	87	1345	244	83

These include the final decisions for the submissions which were

	archive	publish
auto	2132 (31.2%)	2099 (30.7%)
manual	1066 (15.6%)	1545 (22.6%)

where we only count those as *auto* processed whose publication or rejection happened automatically in all steps.

3 CRAN mirror security

Currently, there are 93 official CRAN mirrors, 77 of which provide both secure downloads via 'https' *and* use secure mirroring from the CRAN master (via rsync through ssh tunnels). Since the R 3.4.0 release, chooseCRANmirror() offers these mirrors in preference to the others which are not fully secured (yet).

4 CRAN Task View Initiative

Currently, there are 49 task views (see https://CRAN.R-project.org/web/views/), with median and mean numbers of CRAN packages covered 110 and 123, respectively. Overall, these task views cover 5003 CRAN packages, which is about 22% of all active CRAN packages.

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