Data Definitions

Term	Acronym	Definition
Academic Year		The CNC academic year runs from August 1 to July 31 annually.
Fiscal Year		The CNC fiscal year runs April 1 to March 31 annually. FTEs are based on the fiscal year.
Stable Enrollment Date		Date which reflects 15% into the course enrollment. A student is considered a stable enrollment when they have met this criteria. For continous intake courses, a student is considered a stable enrollment on the first day of class.
Headcount		Reflects a count of students. A unique headcount counts individual students only once in a given set. Campus Unique Headcount: Counts a student only once per campus, regardless of enrolled in multiple programs. A student may be counted twice if they attend both campuses. Program Unique Headcount: Counts a student only once per program. A student may be counted twice if they are concurrently enrolled in two programs
Course Registrants		Reflects a count of a student in a course. Course Registrants over a period of time or in a specific program reflects a sum of all student registrations in that category. This number will be far greater than an unique headcount as it counts individual students more than once.
Full-Time Equivalency	FTE	Student FTEs represent all full-time and part-time enrollments, converted to represent the number of students carrying a full-time course load. One student whose course load is equal to the normall full-time number of credits or hours required in an academic year for normal progression in a recognized program would generate 1.0 Student FTE.
		A Student FTE represents the instructional acitivity (course registrations) of one student completing all the requirements of a full-time program in a period that extends over one normal academic year.
Professional and Personal Development	PPD	Defines courses which are not part of a credentialed program. Generally refers to Continuing and Community Education skills courses.
Central Data Warehouse	CDW	A frequently used data source. The Central Data Warehouse transforms and encrypts local data for each BC Post Secondary Institution for use by the Ministry of Advanced Education.

