
STUDENT STATISTICS

2003/04 - 2007/08

(includes students, educators and school facility information)

FULL-YEAR SUMMARY REPORT

Province - Public and Independent Schools Combined

TABLE OF CONTENTS

STUDENT INFORMATION

Headcount	1
Top Ten Languages Spoken in Home	2
Enrolment	3
Programs	5
Special Education	5

STUDENTS BY GRADE

Aboriginal Students	6
English as a Second Language Students	6
French Immersion Students	7
Special Education Students	7

TYPE OF SCHOOLING

Facility Type	8
Grade Range	8
School Calendar Type	8

SCHOOLS AND EDUCATORS

Schools by Grade Range	9
Educators	9

GLOSSARY	10
----------------	----

PLEASE NOTE

The Ministry makes small and continuous improvements to the quality of its data. Sometimes these changes result in differences from previously published reports. The data in this report are the most accurate data available at time of publication.

Ministry reports are available at <http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/reporting/>

Contact the Analysis & Reporting Group, Information Department at
educ.reportingunit@gov.bc.ca

HEADCOUNT (public and independent schools)

Number of Students	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	677,978	671,218	665,626	655,731	651,625
Female	331,230	328,108	325,434	321,032	319,537
Male	346,748	343,110	340,192	334,699	332,088

All Public Schools	614,664	606,385	599,492	587,816	582,691
Female	299,880	296,154	292,859	287,612	285,526
Male	314,784	310,231	306,633	300,204	297,165

All Independent Schools	63,314	64,833	66,134	67,915	68,934
Female	31,350	31,954	32,575	33,420	34,011
Male	31,964	32,879	33,559	34,495	34,923

All Public Schools					
Kindergarten	36,549	35,940	35,314	35,178	34,981
Grade 1	38,718	37,624	36,965	36,158	36,205
Grade 2	40,426	38,869	37,963	37,167	36,558
Grade 3	41,935	40,863	39,403	38,421	37,627
Grade 4	43,217	42,287	41,475	39,838	39,033
Grade 5	43,680	43,799	42,929	42,159	40,642
Grade 6	45,336	44,248	44,562	43,570	42,706
Grade 7	46,156	45,927	44,956	44,973	44,151
Elementary Ungraded	1,709	1,679	1,456	1,574	1,278
Grade 8	49,369	48,514	48,234	47,334	46,973
Grade 9	49,779	50,249	49,590	49,139	47,910
Grade 10	53,076	51,907	53,841	52,917	53,439
Grade 11	59,306	60,381	57,597	57,047	57,430
Grade 12	55,317	55,884	56,930	53,807	56,273
Secondary Ungraded	10,091	8,214	8,277	8,534	7,485

All Independent Schools					
Kindergarten	5,176	5,144	5,131	5,333	5,418
Grade 1	5,095	5,066	5,012	5,212	5,311
Grade 2	5,106	5,044	5,157	5,198	5,177
Grade 3	5,015	5,119	5,183	5,253	5,277
Grade 4	5,165	5,130	5,296	5,398	5,394
Grade 5	5,082	5,228	5,288	5,491	5,465
Grade 6	5,176	5,165	5,388	5,452	5,586
Grade 7	4,977	5,271	5,256	5,460	5,438
Elementary Ungraded	851	1,085	1,070	973	1,117
Grade 8	4,693	4,707	5,050	5,060	5,127
Grade 9	4,362	4,683	4,671	5,002	4,965
Grade 10	4,364	4,348	4,673	4,848	5,211
Grade 11	4,130	4,374	4,377	4,745	4,761
Grade 12	3,828	4,110	4,367	4,368	4,589
Secondary Ungraded	294	359	215	122	98

HEADCOUNT (public and independent schools)

Number of Students	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
School-age	656,602	652,416	647,820	639,717	636,743
All Public Schools	593,724	588,010	582,096	572,156	568,110
All Independent Schools	62,878	64,406	65,724	67,561	68,633
Adult	21,376	18,802	17,806	16,014	14,882
All Public Schools	20,940	18,375	17,396	15,660	14,581
All Independent Schools	436	427	410	354	301
Aboriginal	64,398	64,849	64,292	62,347	62,806
All Public Schools	60,983	61,294	60,846	59,022	59,411
All Independent Schools	3,415	3,555	3,446	3,325	3,395
English as a Second Language	60,148	60,212	62,949	63,723	62,980
All Public Schools	57,884	57,992	60,675	61,118	60,267
All Independent Schools	2,264	2,220	2,274	2,605	2,713
French Immersion	33,861	35,985	38,387	39,737	41,441
All Public Schools	33,407	35,519	38,007	39,510	41,002
All Independent Schools	454	466	380	227	439
Non-Resident	9,505	10,335	10,481	11,526	12,033
All Public Schools	6,770	7,386	7,906	8,797	9,453
All Independent Schools	2,735	2,949	2,575	2,729	2,580

TOP TEN LANGUAGES SPOKEN IN HOME - based on 2007/08 order (public and independent schools)

Language in Percentage (%)	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
English	80.04	79.55	79.06	78.58	78.54
Punjabi	3.70	3.83	3.95	4.12	4.23
Chinese	4.48	3.86	3.38	2.89	2.54
Cantonese	1.28	1.67	1.92	2.08	2.21
Mandarin	1.08	1.31	1.61	1.95	2.09
Korean	1.71	1.83	1.91	2.02	2.02
Tagalog (Pilipino)	0.76	0.84	0.91	0.98	1.02
Vietnamese	0.87	0.89	0.87	0.86	0.86
Spanish	0.78	0.80	0.81	0.80	0.84
Hindi	0.55	0.55	0.56	0.56	0.55

ENROLMENT (public and independent schools)

Total FTE	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	643,316.5	639,660.3	634,618.8	625,058.2	613,201.2
Female	312,465.1	311,117.8	308,740.1	304,418.9	299,330.6
Male	330,851.5	328,542.6	325,878.7	320,639.3	313,870.6

All Public Schools	582,441.1	577,156.2	570,910.5	559,615.4	547,194.6
Female	282,347.6	280,306.9	277,345.5	272,180.4	266,746.2
Male	300,093.6	296,849.3	293,565.1	287,434.9	280,448.4

All Independent Schools	60,875.4	62,504.1	63,708.3	65,442.9	66,006.6
Female	30,117.5	30,810.9	31,394.6	32,238.5	32,584.4
Male	30,757.9	31,693.2	32,313.6	33,204.4	33,422.2

All Public Schools					
Kindergarten	20,721.0	20,580.0	20,213.5	20,148.0	20,210.0
Grade 1	38,717.0	37,652.5	36,989.5	36,157.5	36,204.5
Grade 2	40,442.0	38,904.0	37,978.0	37,167.0	36,558.0
Grade 3	41,950.0	40,898.0	39,431.0	38,422.0	37,627.0
Grade 4	43,240.0	42,346.0	41,512.0	39,838.0	39,033.0
Grade 5	43,697.0	43,863.0	42,965.0	42,159.0	40,642.0
Grade 6	45,369.0	44,343.0	44,615.0	43,573.0	42,706.0
Grade 7	46,197.0	46,024.0	45,035.0	44,973.0	44,151.0
Elementary Ungraded	653.2	682.7	590.9	606.6	538.8
Grade 8	49,278.5	48,483.8	48,199.0	47,210.4	46,906.7
Grade 9	49,667.3	50,247.5	49,583.3	49,080.6	47,863.2
Grade 10	52,145.5	51,251.0	53,137.3	52,214.2	51,406.8
Grade 11	55,886.1	57,219.6	54,863.7	54,528.2	53,049.3
Grade 12	49,781.5	50,488.8	51,744.1	49,495.1	47,087.0
Secondary Ungraded	4,696.2	4,172.4	4,053.2	4,042.8	3,211.3

All Independent Schools					
Kindergarten	3,113.0	3,058.5	2,956.0	3,115.5	3,208.5
Grade 1	5,071.0	5,028.5	5,009.0	5,210.0	5,310.5
Grade 2	5,106.0	5,044.0	5,156.5	5,198.0	5,177.0
Grade 3	5,015.0	5,119.0	5,183.0	5,254.0	5,277.0
Grade 4	5,165.0	5,130.0	5,296.0	5,398.0	5,394.0
Grade 5	5,083.0	5,228.0	5,288.0	5,491.0	5,465.0
Grade 6	5,176.0	5,165.0	5,388.0	5,452.0	5,586.0
Grade 7	4,978.0	5,271.0	5,256.0	5,460.0	5,438.0
Elementary Ungraded	851.0	1,085.0	1,070.0	973.0	1,117.0
Grade 8	4,661.6	4,699.8	5,039.5	5,046.3	5,112.0
Grade 9	4,335.7	4,674.6	4,655.3	4,985.1	4,960.6
Grade 10	4,339.0	4,338.6	4,659.6	4,815.9	5,086.4
Grade 11	4,056.1	4,346.5	4,342.2	4,707.8	4,560.3
Grade 12	3,673.5	3,999.5	4,211.2	4,219.7	4,215.1
Secondary Ungraded	251.5	316.1	198.0	116.5	99.3

ENROLMENT (public and independent schools)

Total FTE	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
School-age	636,458.5	633,140.4	628,916.5	619,937.8	608,792.1
All Public Schools	575,902.3	570,933.1	565,485.1	554,751.9	543,019.2
All Independent Schools	60,556.3	62,207.3	63,431.5	65,186.0	65,772.9
Adult	6,858.0	6,519.9	5,702.3	5,120.4	4,409.1
All Public Schools	6,538.8	6,223.1	5,425.5	4,863.5	4,175.4
All Independent Schools	319.2	296.8	276.8	256.9	233.8
Aboriginal	61,894.2	62,509.0	61,936.2	60,034.4	58,912.5
All Public Schools	58,586.5	59,064.0	58,578.9	56,775.6	55,583.4
All Independent Schools	3,307.7	3,445.0	3,357.3	3,258.8	3,329.1
English as a Second Language	58,441.6	58,712.1	61,383.4	62,331.0	61,603.3
All Public Schools	56,192.6	56,509.6	59,122.2	59,737.7	58,898.5
All Independent Schools	2,249.0	2,202.5	2,261.2	2,593.3	2,704.9
French Immersion	32,057.9	34,101.5	36,402.6	37,718.8	39,409.8
All Public Schools	31,633.9	33,665.0	36,050.1	37,505.8	38,997.9
All Independent Schools	424.0	436.5	352.5	213.0	411.9
Non-Resident	9,371.0	10,189.5	10,323.9	11,469.2	12,022.3
All Public Schools	6,729.8	7,346.5	7,853.8	8,805.0	9,482.9
All Independent Schools	2,641.2	2,843.0	2,470.1	2,664.2	2,539.4

PROGRAMS (public and independent schools)

Number of Students in Programs	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Aboriginal Students in Aboriginal Programs	50,818	52,224	53,502	53,566	54,216
Female	24,917	25,661	26,255	26,282	26,720
Male	25,901	26,563	27,247	27,284	27,496

Career Preparation Program (public)	31,347	29,673	24,586	20,307	19,695
Career Technical Program (public)	859	1,009	1,910	2,004	2,141
Co-operative Education Program (public)	2,336	2,128	1,691	1,124	957
Continuing Education Program (public)	17,208	14,849	14,299	13,963	12,523
Distributed Learning Program (public)*	9,871	10,431	10,282	9,190	11,413
Distributed Learning Program (independent)*	466	1,546	2,190	2,548	3,453
Secondary School Apprenticeship Program (public)	520	727	608	746	813

English as a Second Language Program	60,148	60,212	62,949	63,723	62,980
Female	27,836	27,872	29,067	29,610	29,216
Male	32,312	32,340	33,882	34,113	33,764

French Programs	299,359	300,532	296,310	292,869	292,216
Female	153,955	154,632	152,838	151,125	150,629
Male	145,404	145,900	143,472	141,744	141,587

Core French	262,352	261,094	254,293	249,370	246,960
French Immersion	33,861	35,985	38,387	39,737	41,441
Programme Francophone	3,146	3,455	3,632	3,816	4,043

Home School Registration	3,329	3,068	2,710	2,811	2,791
Female	1,598	1,492	1,301	1,334	1,342
Male	1,731	1,576	1,409	1,477	1,449

SPECIAL EDUCATION (public schools only)

Number of Students	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	61,244	61,982	61,275	58,587	57,349
A - Physically Dependent	760	712	686	665	658
B - Deafblind	47	54	48	50	54
C - Moderate to Profound Intellectual Disability	2,521	2,490	2,457	2,379	2,340
D - Physically Disability/Chronic Health Impairment	5,046	5,483	5,827	5,390	5,632
E - Visual Impairment	405	399	391	382	374
F - Deaf or Hard of Hearing	1,511	1,488	1,406	1,329	1,281
G - Autism Spectrum Disorder	2,007	2,262	2,593	3,716	4,178
H - Intensive Behaviour Interventions/Serious Mental Illness	6,975	7,253	7,477	7,270	7,095
K - Mild Intellectual Disability	3,276	2,971	2,751	2,589	2,497
P - Gifted	13,888	13,141	11,582	9,881	8,970
Q - Learning Disability	15,667	16,168	16,702	16,637	17,136
R - Moderate Behaviour Support/Mental Illness	9,141	9,561	9,355	8,299	7,134

Note: * - Since 2006/07, changes in Distributed Learning (DL) legislation permitted cross-enrolment in Grades 10, 11 and 12. The numbers reported in this section excludes cross-enrolments.

ABORIGINAL STUDENTS (public and independent schools)

Number of Students	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	64,398	64,849	64,292	62,347	62,806
Kindergarten	3,988	3,786	3,679	3,396	3,341
Grade 1	4,288	4,131	3,909	3,784	3,702
Grade 2	4,541	4,243	4,162	3,876	3,910
Grade 3	4,664	4,558	4,276	4,173	4,051
Grade 4	4,815	4,661	4,578	4,279	4,316
Grade 5	4,972	4,816	4,668	4,549	4,449
Grade 6	5,143	4,970	4,840	4,657	4,670
Grade 7	5,351	5,183	5,015	4,844	4,836
Elementary Ungraded	144	154	139	144	138
Grade 8	5,719	5,878	5,623	5,536	5,328
Grade 9	5,374	5,526	5,760	5,519	5,481
Grade 10	5,078	5,382	5,760	6,070	6,085
Grade 11	5,066	5,732	5,728	5,551	6,027
Grade 12	3,697	4,217	4,519	4,429	4,835
Secondary Ungraded	1,558	1,612	1,636	1,540	1,637

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE STUDENTS (public and independent schools)

Number of Students	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	60,148	60,212	62,949	63,723	62,980
Kindergarten	7,027	6,860	7,588	7,476	7,453
Grade 1	7,819	7,745	7,848	8,359	8,208
Grade 2	7,943	7,871	8,086	7,980	8,361
Grade 3	7,997	7,858	7,946	8,101	7,833
Grade 4	7,638	7,826	7,950	7,877	7,889
Grade 5	4,025	4,204	4,369	4,500	4,452
Grade 6	3,150	3,178	3,571	3,646	3,410
Grade 7	2,918	2,962	3,049	3,265	3,132
Elementary Ungraded	50	47	44	51	28
Grade 8	2,389	2,446	2,686	2,594	2,585
Grade 9	2,332	2,402	2,544	2,615	2,458
Grade 10	2,420	2,444	2,731	2,711	2,704
Grade 11	2,718	2,768	2,676	2,778	2,702
Grade 12	1,515	1,461	1,687	1,639	1,705
Secondary Ungraded	207	140	174	131	60

FRENCH IMMERSION STUDENTS (public and independent schools)

Number of Students	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	33,861	35,985	38,387	39,737	41,441
Kindergarten	3,710	3,870	4,058	4,128	4,103
Grade 1	3,616	3,885	4,160	4,082	4,230
Grade 2	3,234	3,383	3,705	3,824	3,815
Grade 3	2,818	3,047	3,217	3,443	3,597
Grade 4	2,619	2,632	2,869	2,919	3,278
Grade 5	2,375	2,639	2,688	2,803	2,911
Grade 6	3,280	3,705	4,026	4,013	4,320
Grade 7	3,046	3,085	3,512	3,697	3,863
Elementary Ungraded	-	-	-	-	-
Grade 8	2,492	2,708	2,741	3,051	3,080
Grade 9	2,099	2,179	2,389	2,486	2,645
Grade 10	1,802	1,874	1,909	2,125	2,130
Grade 11	1,552	1,617	1,642	1,687	1,894
Grade 12	1,217	1,361	1,469	1,479	1,574
Secondary Ungraded	1	-	2	-	1

SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS (public schools only)

Number of Students	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	61,244	61,982	61,275	58,587	57,349
Kindergarten	904	881	946	874	901
Grade 1 - 3	6,384	6,385	6,113	6,008	5,662
Grade 4 - 7	18,566	18,905	19,171	18,851	18,848
Grade 8 - 12	35,390	35,811	35,045	32,854	31,938

FACILITY TYPE (public and independent schools)

Number of Students	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	677,978	671,218	665,626	655,731	651,625
Standard (regular) school (00)	637,616	632,391	627,556	620,034	614,973
Alternate Program/School (03)	12,513	11,710	10,999	9,745	9,036
Continuing Education Centre (01)	17,208	14,849	14,299	13,963	12,523
Distributed Learning (02, 08, 09)*	10,337	11,977	12,472	11,738	14,866
Provincial Resource Program (07)	232	204	206	163	148
Youth Custody (05)	72	87	94	88	79

GRADE RANGE (public and independent schools)

Number of Students	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	677,978	671,218	665,626	655,731	651,625
Elementary	324,267	317,252	310,818	305,166	300,273
Elementary-Junior Secondary	16,648	15,185	14,890	13,406	13,076
Elementary-Secondary	56,070	62,000	62,824	59,818	62,809
Junior Secondary	9,736	8,271	5,770	4,381	3,919
Middle School	35,749	37,902	39,662	41,109	40,515
Secondary	232,280	228,338	230,336	230,944	230,319
Senior Secondary	3,228	2,270	1,326	907	714

SCHOOL CALENDAR TYPE (public and independent schools)

Number of Students	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	677,978	671,218	665,626	655,731	651,625
Partial 10 Months, Partial Semester	64,087	67,317	60,162	62,818	65,536
Quarters	4,632	3,843	3,857	2,501	2,377
Ten-month Year	463,530	454,823	454,762	442,316	443,208
Three Semesters	2,106	1,956	1,674	2,536	2,763
Two Semesters	113,904	114,964	117,423	118,254	113,526
Unspecified	29,719	28,315	27,748	27,306	24,215

Note: * - Since 2006/07, changes in Distributed Learning (DL) legislation permitted cross-enrolment in Grades 10, 11 and 12. The numbers reported in this section excludes cross-enrolments.

SCHOOLS BY GRADE RANGE (public and independent schools)

Number of Public Schools	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	1,679	1,666	1,662	1,655	1,634
Elementary	1,112	1,098	1,088	1,084	1,067
Elementary-Junior Secondary	48	40	41	36	35
Elementary-Secondary	104	116	114	107	107
Junior Secondary	41	37	28	24	20
Middle School	67	73	73	79	79
Secondary	296	288	306	316	317
Senior Secondary	11	14	12	9	9

Number of Independent Schools	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total	352	348	355	356	351
Elementary	156	150	152	146	150
Elementary-Junior Secondary	85	77	75	76	71
Elementary-Secondary	73	82	90	92	90
Junior Secondary	3	3	1	-	-
Middle School	1	1	1	2	2
Secondary	32	34	36	38	38
Senior Secondary	2	1	-	2	-

EDUCATORS (public schools only)

Number of Teachers	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Female (Count)	23,033	23,069	23,559	23,864	24,009
Male (Count)	10,483	10,245	10,157	10,001	9,819
Female (FTE)	20,269.8	20,328.7	20,784.2	21,099.3	21,142.7
Male (FTE)	10,080.9	9,851.2	9,798.8	9,660.2	9,430.9

Number of Principals, Vice-Principals and other District Administrative Staff	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total (Count)	3,046	3,017	3,170	3,284	3,290
Total (FTE)	2,994.3	2,965.9	3,117.8	3,206.2	3,227.4

Number of Educators	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Total (Count)	36,562	36,331	36,886	37,149	37,118
Total (FTE)	33,344.9	33,145.8	33,700.8	33,965.7	33,800.9

Average Educator Age	45.0	45.1	44.8	44.5	44.3
----------------------	------	------	------	------	------

For detailed glossary, please visit the Analysis and Reporting Group website:

<http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/reporting/glossary.php>

Term	Definition / Notes
Aboriginal Programs	Designed to further Aboriginal Studies. Includes Aboriginal Language and Culture, Aboriginal Support Services, and other approved Aboriginal Programs.
Aboriginal Students	A student who has self-identified as being of Aboriginal ancestry (First Nations: status and non-status, Metis or Inuit).
Adult Student	A student 20 years of age or older as of June 30 at the end of the school year July 1 - June 30.
Average Educator Age	Total age of all educators divided by the total number of educators based on September 30 of the reported year.
Career Programs	Educational programs focusing on a career or career-related area of study, which combine related courses with a work experience component.
Continuing Education Program	An education program offered by school districts, primarily for adults, leading to either secondary school completion or the upgrading of a current graduation certificate.
Core French	A language course offered to students at various grade levels.
Distributed Learning	A method of instruction that relies primarily on indirect communication between students and teachers, including internet or other electronic-based delivery, teleconferencing, or correspondence.
Educator	A teacher, vice-principal, principal, or director of instruction having British Columbia teacher certification.
Elementary Ungraded (EU)	Students who are taking courses at the Kindergarten to Grade 7 level and the school personnel do not consider the student to be in a specific Grade.
English as a Second Language (ESL)	A program provided to students whose primary languages are other than English, and who may require additional services.
Enrolment	A record of a student reported to the Ministry as receiving an educational program. A student may be recorded and counted as an enrolment in more than one school. Registered home schooled children are not included.
French Immersion	A separate second language program where instructions to students (in some areas) is offered in the French language.
French Programs	Includes the following programs: Core French, French Immersion, and Programme Francophone.
Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Enrolment	A measure indicating the proportion of full time participation (full day, full week) in an educational program, calculated by adding the FTE values of the enrolments. A half-day Kindergarten enrolment is considered a 0.5 FTE; full-day Kindergarten enrolments are recognized as full FTEs. A school-age enrolment in Grades 1-12, enrolled full-time, is considered one FTE. One FTE for an adult enrolment is equal to eight courses. One FTE for a secondary school-age enrolment is equal to four courses.
Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Teacher	A measure equivalent to the number of teachers who work full time in a school.
Grade	The assigned grade of a student or an enrolment on September 30.
Grade Range	Schools are organized to provide educational opportunities for students in specific grades or grade ranges. These grade ranges are: Elementary (K-7, EU); Elementary Junior Secondary (K-10, EU, SU); Elementary Secondary (K-12, EU, SU); Junior Secondary (8-10, SU); Middle School (6-9); Secondary (8-12, SU); and Senior Secondary (11, 12, SU). Note: EU=Elementary Ungraded, SU=Secondary Ungraded
Headcount	A count of unique individuals.
Home School Registration	Children may be taught at home without the supervision of a certified teacher, but are required to be registered with a public, francophone, distributed learning, or independent school.

For detailed glossary, please visit the Analysis and Reporting Group website:

<http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/reporting/glossary.php>

Term	Definition / Notes
Msk	Abbreviation for Mask. When reporting, numbers or percentages must be suppressed if they are elements of a population that is one through four. For more information refer to http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/policy/policies/persinfo_foi_smallpop.htm
Non-Resident	Students who are not ordinarily residents and whose parents/guardians are not residents of British Columbia.
Number of Schools	Includes open schools as of September 30 of the school year.
Programme Francophone	A separate program offered, where numbers warrant, to students whose first language is French or who qualify under Section 23 of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.
Provincial Resource Programs (PRP)	Programs designed for students who cannot attend a regular school for health or other reasons. Students are in long term PRPs if they are in the facility for more than three months.
School District	A geographic area in British Columbia constituted as a district under the <i>School Act</i> . There are currently 59 school districts and one Francophone Education Authority.
School-age	Five to nineteen years of age inclusive.
Secondary Ungraded	Students who are taking courses at the Grade 8-12 level and the school personnel do not consider them to be in a specific Grade level.
Special Education	A supplemental program provided by schools to assist students, identified as having "special requirement(s)", in achieving a Certificate of Graduation (Dogwood Certificate) and/or other outcomes as specified in the student's Individual Education Plan (IEP).
Student	An individual enrolled in a British Columbia school. Students include all school-aged and adult persons who are working toward a British Columbia Certificate of Graduation.
Teacher	A person who has a valid British Columbia teaching certificate and is employed by a school board to provide an educational program to students or to administer or supervise the provision of an educational program to students. Includes: Regular Teachers, Department Heads, and Teachers who have administration duty (but are not Department Heads). Teachers may be employed in more than one district; therefore, the total number of teachers reported at the provincial level may exceed the actual number of teachers in the province.
Top Ten Primary Languages Spoken	The language spoken most often or on a regular basis at home by individual students at the time of the September 30 data collection.
Youth Custody	When applicable, the ministry reports number of students in Youth Custody Facilities where they may have been sent either by court order, or during probation.