

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA ENROLLMENT HISTORY

Historically, UC year-average enrollment (an average across academic terms) has been reported by the Office of the President in three documents distributed externally: The Regents' *Budget for Current Operations*, the California Governor's Budget, and the *UC Statistical Summary of Students and Staff*.

In summer of 1992, the UC President's Budget Office developed a history of University year-average enrollment based on Regents' and Governor's Budgets, supplemented by office files wherever appropriate.

Full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment for general campus and health sciences was available beginning in the mid-1960s when workload funding from the State was switched from a headcount to FTE basis. Headcount enrollment was available in the archives dating from the late 1950s, although it is rather sketchy in the mid-1970s.

Whenever possible, **budgeted** enrollments were taken from Governor's Budgets. Thus, for example, 1979-80 budgeted FTE and headcount enrollments were taken from the 1980-81 Governor's Budget which was prepared in December, 1979. In a very few instances, office records indicate that these current-year budgeted enrollment levels reported in Governor's Budgets were subsequently modified. For example, although the 1979-80 Governor's Budget shows a budgeted graduate enrollment reduction of 465 FTE students for 1978-79, an April 4, 1979 file document shows that the reduction was restored, and so the Governor's Budget data were amended for presentation here. Also, from 1965-66 through 1974-75, budgeted headcount was not published in the Governor's Budget but was displayed in the Regent's Budgets.

Actual FTE enrollment was retrieved from Governor's Budgets; for example, 1970-71 actual FTE enrollment was taken from the 1972-73 Governor's Budget. Office files sometimes were used to supply enrollment sublevels: upper and lower division; master's level and advanced graduate students. Actual enrollments were often updated between the preparation of the Regents' Budget in October and the Governor's Budget in December, and for that matter, further fine-tuning was sometimes necessary even later. Generally, the most recent actual enrollment figures were used here.

The following chronology describes some of the changes in the way enrollment has been tabulated over the past 30 years.

1965-66

UC received State funding based on changes in headcount enrollment through this budget year.

Enrollment at UCLA's and UCSF's Medical Centers is the only University health sciences enrollment shown in the Governor's and Regents' Budgets up through this year.

1966-67

Vet Medicine at UCD is moved from general campus totals to health sciences in Governor's Budget.

UC began receiving State funding based on changes in FTE enrollment: the Governor's Budget displays 1964-65 actual FTE enrollments, 1965-66 budgeted FTE enrollment, and 1966-67 proposed FTE enrollment-general campuses only. In 1964-65, health sciences enrollment was still reported on a headcount basis. Subsequently, through 1969-70 enrollments, health sciences headcount was reported as full-time (1 headcount = 1 FTE). Then for 1970-71, headcount and FTE enrollments were reported separately in the health sciences, through 1975-76; subsequent to 1975-76 health sciences enrollment was again defined as full-time.

1967-68

Summer quarter enrollment is budgeted at UCB and in the two subsequent years at both UCB and UCLA. Summer quarter enrollments are excluded from totals to maintain comparability with years before and after this period..

California College of Medicine (UCI) is shown for the first time in the Governor's Budget as part of medical campus (health sciences) enrollment.

1969-70

Changes in nomenclature: Prior to this year, current year budgeted enrollment was termed "estimated" in the Governor's Budget and "budgeted" in the Regents' Budget. In Governor's Budgets from 1969-70 through 1978-79, current year funded workload was called "budgeted" enrollment and estimated actual FTE enrollment for the current year was termed "revised" as it had been in the Regent's Budget in the late 1960s. In the 1979-80 Governor's Budget through 1992-93, "revised" was replaced with "estimated" for estimated actual enrollment for current year.

Generally, budget-year (current year plus one) enrollments have been termed "proposed." However, in the 1960s, enrollment levels requested in Regents' Budgets were called "tentative" enrollments and for the 1968-69 through 1970-71 Regents' Budgets, proposed enrollment were called "estimates." Governor's Budgets from the 1960s through 1972-73 tended to use "estimate" and only occasionally "proposed" for budget-year enrollments.

1971-72

Optometry and public health enrollments at UCB are moved from general campus totals to health sciences in the 1971-72 Governor's Budget.

1973-74

Extended University was budgeted as a separate program in this year and next; Extended University enrollments are excluded from totals.

The census of official enrollment was changed from the tenth day of classes to the third week (15th day).

1974-75

Regents' Budget, Table I, p. A-4 displays actual FTE enrollment, 1969-70 through 1972-73 using new conversion factors. These enrollment figures are not used in this history.

1978-79

Governor's Budget table ("Average Annual Student Enrollment-Headcount") for this year incorrectly uses health sciences FTE instead of actual headcount.

The Governor's Budget table "Average Annual Student Enrollment--Headcount," displays actual headcount and estimated actual enrollment for current year until 1978-79, when "est." actual enrollment is replaced with current-year budgeted headcount enrollment. This table combines general campus, health sciences, summer sessions (1967-68 through 1969-70), and Extended University (1972-73 and 1973-74).

1983-84

The Governor's Budget began displaying in Table 4 actual FTE enrollment history from 4 previous years (starting with 1967-68 actual FTE enrollment). These figures reconcile to the enrollment data previously published in the respective Governor's Budgets.

UC implemented a new counting methodology which resulted in 873 more budgeted graduate FTE enrollment than calculated using the former methodology and shifted 5,985 FTE graduate students from G2 to G1. 1982-83 actual enrollments were also calculated for the Governor's Budget using the new methodology.

1987-88

Postbaccalaureate students began being counted as undergraduate students on all campuses.

1999-00

UC began receiving State funding for summer education credential enrollment for summer 2000 and these enrollments, converted to the equivalent of year-average FTE students, began to be reported as part of actual and budgeted FTE enrollment.

2000-01

To help begin the conversion from self-supporting to State-supported summer programs, the State provided funding in 2000-01 to reduce the fees charged to UC students in all UC Summer Sessions in 2001. Students receiving the reduced fees were not counted as part of UC's State-supported enrollment, however, since the State did not also provide full workload funding.

2001-02

The State fully funded summer 2001 instruction at the marginal cost rate at UC Berkeley, UCLA, and UC Santa Barbara. All summer students who were regularly enrolled during the academic year were included in campus and total FTE enrollment in 2001-02.

2002-03

The State fully funded summer 2002 instruction at the marginal cost rate at UC Davis. All summer students who were regularly enrolled during the

academic year were included in campus and total FTE enrollment in 2002-03.

¹The *Statistical Summary* provides tabulations of actual headcount enrollments, but since 1981-82 has not reported year-averages. Also, the timing and process by which data are collected for the *Statistical Summary* differ from the other two sources. During the 1960s and 1970s, *Statistical Summary* enrollments fully agree in only a few cases with those published in the Governor's Budget. The *UC Enrollment History* is not based on the *Statistical Summary*.

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