

IR Data Flow:

Banner is the primary source of data for institutional reporting. Data input into Banner's production database (PROD) flows into the operational reporting database (RPTP) via regularly scheduled data snaps—also referred to as “extracts” or “freezes” (Figure 1). A component of the RPTP database is the university's data warehouse for institutional reporting, called the Decision Support Database (DSD), which is administered by the UA Data Warehouse team (<https://www.alaska.edu/datawarehouse/>).

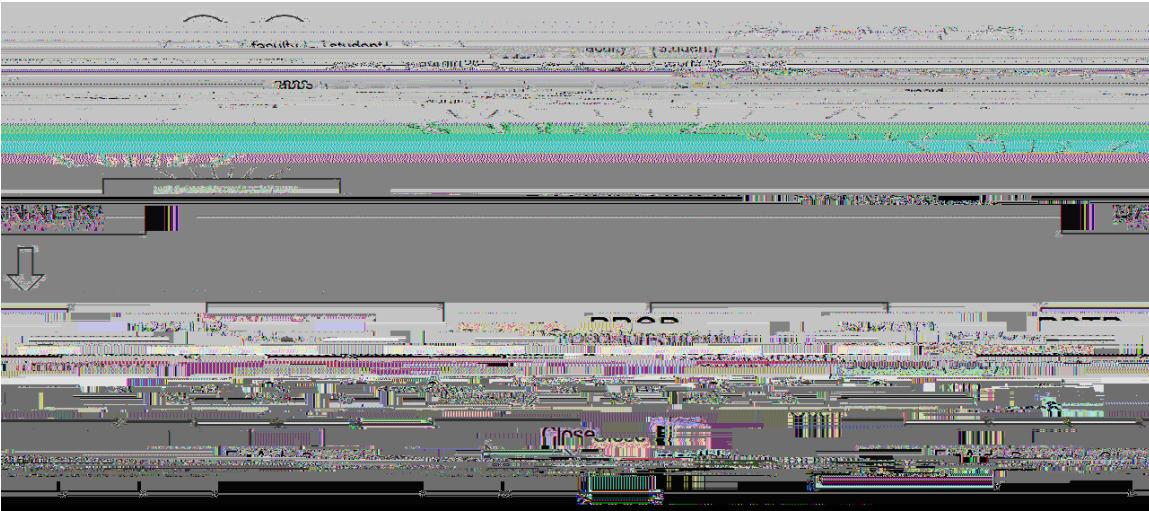


Figure 1. IR data flow from data entry, through Banner, and into the data warehouse.

Snap Schedule:

The annual data snap schedule regulates the availability of information for reporting purposes (Figure 2). Adhering to a cyclical snap schedule ensures that essential data about admissions, student enrollment, instructional activity, degree completion, and employees are consistently recorded in the university's permanent record system. Frozen data enables replicability of headcounts and other metrics across time and allows for accurate comparative and trend analyses for reporting on the university's performance to state and federal agencies, as well as other internal and external stakeholders.



Figure 2. IR annual data snap schedule per data type from Banner.

Student Enrollment Information (SI)

Student Enrollment Information is frozen five times a year. Dates for FY25 are:
Summer