

CPM 7: Number of Database Sessions Conducted by Users

Instructions

The data for this measure will be gathered centrally and results forwarded to library jurisdictions. Libraries will have access to information about use from within their jurisdiction and province-wide use. As APLEN is tracking this data centrally, **there are no forms for individual libraries to complete.**

PURPOSE

APLEN and local libraries have invested resources to make online databases available to Albertans. These databases provide access to content rich information, much of which is not available to individuals for free, via the Internet. The goal of this measure is track the volume of use of these subscribed online databases; both in-library and remote use. Local and provincial funding agencies can use these results as an indicator of the value of these subscriptions.

DEFINITION

Number of sessions (logins) at a library initiated session to online databases to which the library subscribes.

PROCEDURE

APLEN will work in conjunction with the development of TAL Online, database vendors and the nodes to install the appropriate log analysis and related software.

Local libraries DO NOT have to collect any direct statistical data for this measure.