release type

The temporal scope and completeness of a SNOMED CT release file or release package.

Notes

- The release types are as follows:
  - Full release
    - A release type in which the release files contain every version of every component and reference set member ever released.
  - Snapshot release
    - A release type in which the release files contain only the most recent version of every component and reference set member released, as at the release date.
  - Delta release
    - A release type in which the release files contain only rows that represent component versions and reference set member versions created since the previous release date.

References

- **Glossary**
  - release types
    - delta release
    - full release
    - snapshot release
  - versioned views
    - delta view
    - full view
    - snapshot view
- **Release File Specification**
  - 3.2 Release Types