FRAME Data Summary – 2022

This report summarises key characteristics of the dataset (569 total observations). Report generated: 13 May 2026. Some questions are not present due to being researcher inserts. This summary should be read in conjunction with the appropriate Survey instrument.

Age

Mean	SD	Min	Max	N
25.5	4.3	20	53	504

SD = standard deviation.

Placement type

Category	n	%
Australian Fee-paying Place	16	3.1%
Bonded Medical Place (BMP)	150	29.4%
Commonwealth Supported (HECS) Place	311	61.0%
International Fee-paying Place	21	4.1%
Other	2	0.4%
State Bonded Place	10	2.0%
Total	**510**	**100.0%**

Year first knew about rural placement allocation

Category	n	%
After commencing the clinical phase of medical school	169	33.0%
Before the end of the preclinical phase of medical school	231	45.1%
When I accepted my medical school position	112	21.9%
Total	**512**	**100.0%**

Considers self to come from rural background

Category	n	%
No	282	55.1%
Yes	230	44.9%
Total	**512**	**100.0%**

Type of location lived longest

Category	n	%
MM1 Metropolitan e.g. Newcastle NSW, Geelong Vic, Gold Coast Qld, most capital cities	259	50.6%
MM2 Regional centres (>50,000) e.g. Hobart Tas, Darwin NT, Ballarat Vic, Townsville Qld	69	13.5%
MM3 Large rural towns (15-50,000) e.g. Wagga Wagga NSW, Mt Gambier SA	83	16.2%
MM4 Medium rural towns (5-15,000) Lithgow NSW, Port Augusta SA	46	9.0%
MM5 Small rural towns (<5,000) e.g. Denmark WA, Misson Beach Qld	43	8.4%
MM6/7 remote or very remote Communities e.g. Broome WA, Katherine NT.	12	2.3%
Total	**512**	**100.0%**

Lived outside major city 10+ years or 5 consecutively

Category	n	%
No	269	52.5%
Yes	243	47.5%
Total	**512**	**100.0%**

Immediate family member is a medical practitioner

Category	n	%
No	412	80.8%
Yes	98	19.2%
Total	**510**	**100.0%**

Identifies as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander

Category	n	%
No	500	98.0%
Yes	10	2.0%
Total	**510**	**100.0%**

Already holds a health professional qualification

Category	n	%
No	450	88.2%
Yes	60	11.8%
Total	**510**	**100.0%**

First in family to attend university

Category	n	%
No	419	82.3%
Yes	90	17.7%
Total	**509**	**100.0%**

Culturally and linguistically diverse background

Category	n	%
No	330	64.7%
Yes	180	35.3%
Total	**510**	**100.0%**

Preference to attend RCS (ranking)

Category	n	%
High on my list	97	19.0%
Low on my list	22	4.3%
My first choice	335	65.6%
My last choice	14	2.7%
My mid-choice	43	8.4%
Total	**511**	**100.0%**

This year was (selected choice)

Category	n	%
My first year at a RCS	324	63.4%
My second consecutive year at the RCS	111	21.7%
Other (please describe)	76	14.9%
Total	**511**	**100.0%**

Would recommend RCS to other students

Category	n	%
Neutral	21	4.2%
Somewhat agree	102	20.2%
Somewhat disagree	8	1.6%
Strongly agree	365	72.1%
Strongly disagree	10	2.0%
Total	**506**	**100.0%**

Q13a - Felt well supported academically by RCS

Category	n	%
Neutral	29	5.7%
Somewhat Agree	135	26.7%
Somewhat Disagree	22	4.3%
Strongly Agree	311	61.5%
Strongly Disagree	9	1.8%
Total	**506**	**100.0%**

Q13b - Felt well supported financially by RCS

Category	n	%
Neutral	82	16.7%
Somewhat Agree	133	27.0%
Somewhat Disagree	69	14.0%
Strongly Agree	160	32.5%
Strongly Disagree	48	9.8%
Total	**492**	**100.0%**

Q13c - Felt academically isolated during rural placement

Category	n	%
Neutral	72	14.3%
Somewhat Agree	110	21.9%
Somewhat Disagree	174	34.7%
Strongly Agree	45	9.0%
Strongly Disagree	101	20.1%
Total	**502**	**100.0%**

Q13d - RCS informed me of health and counselling services

Category	n	%
Neutral	79	15.8%
Somewhat Agree	194	38.7%
Somewhat Disagree	62	12.4%
Strongly Agree	151	30.1%
Strongly Disagree	15	3.0%
Total	**501**	**100.0%**

Q13e - Overall felt well supported by RCS

Category	n	%
Neutral	35	6.9%
Somewhat Agree	160	31.7%
Somewhat Disagree	22	4.4%
Strongly Agree	280	55.4%
Strongly Disagree	8	1.6%
Total	**505**	**100.0%**

Q13f - RCS placement impacted positively on wellbeing

Category	n	%
Neutral	48	9.6%
Somewhat Agree	141	28.1%
Somewhat Disagree	29	5.8%
Strongly Agree	267	53.2%
Strongly Disagree	17	3.4%
Total	**502**	**100.0%**

Q13g - Felt socially isolated during RCS placement

Category	n	%
Neutral	62	12.4%
Somewhat Agree	111	22.2%
Somewhat Disagree	141	28.3%
Strongly Agree	45	9.0%
Strongly Disagree	140	28.1%
Total	**499**	**100.0%**

Q13h - Had opportunity to access a rurally based clinical mentor

Category	n	%
Neutral	64	13.1%
Somewhat Agree	131	26.7%
Somewhat Disagree	56	11.4%
Strongly Agree	210	42.9%
Strongly Disagree	29	5.9%
Total	**490**	**100.0%**

Q13i - Accommodation subsidy met my needs

Category	n	%
Neutral	28	6.9%
Somewhat Agree	67	16.6%
Somewhat Disagree	37	9.2%
Strongly Agree	219	54.2%
Strongly Disagree	53	13.1%
Total	**404**	**100.0%**

Q13j - Accommodation as supplied by RCS met my needs

Category	n	%
Neutral	24	5.9%
Somewhat Agree	67	16.6%
Somewhat Disagree	21	5.2%
Strongly Agree	255	63.1%
Strongly Disagree	37	9.2%
Total	**404**	**100.0%**

Q13k - Adequate support for research component of course

Category	n	%
Neutral	99	26.6%
Somewhat Agree	99	26.6%
Somewhat Disagree	55	14.8%
Strongly Agree	86	23.1%
Strongly Disagree	33	8.9%
Total	**372**	**100.0%**

Q14a - Satisfaction: teleconferencing of tutoring/learning

Category	n	%
Dissatisfied	107	23.4%
Highly dissatisfied	23	5.0%
Highly satisfied	50	10.9%
Satisfied	277	60.6%
Total	**457**	**100.0%**

Q14b - Satisfaction: online learning platforms

Category	n	%
Dissatisfied	91	21.0%
Highly dissatisfied	18	4.1%
Highly satisfied	38	8.8%
Satisfied	287	66.1%
Total	**434**	**100.0%**

Q14c - Satisfaction: self-directed learning

Category	n	%
Dissatisfied	46	10.4%
Highly dissatisfied	7	1.6%
Highly satisfied	65	14.7%
Satisfied	324	73.3%
Total	**442**	**100.0%**

Q15a - Mindfulness course provided

Category	n	%
Neutral	107	21.2%
Somewhat agree	121	24.0%
Somewhat disagree	111	22.0%
Strongly Disagree	116	23.0%
Strongly agree	49	9.7%
Total	**504**	**100.0%**

Q15b - Formal wellbeing/resilience training provided

Category	n	%
Neutral	130	25.8%
Somewhat agree	133	26.4%
Somewhat disagree	116	23.0%
Strongly Disagree	81	16.1%
Strongly agree	44	8.7%
Total	**504**	**100.0%**

Q15c - Structured support activities provided

Category	n	%
Neutral	121	24.0%
Somewhat agree	170	33.7%
Somewhat disagree	92	18.2%
Strongly Disagree	48	9.5%
Strongly agree	74	14.7%
Total	**505**	**100.0%**

Q15d - Informal/optional wellbeing activities provided

Category	n	%
Neutral	109	21.6%
Somewhat agree	182	36.0%
Somewhat disagree	67	13.3%
Strongly Disagree	41	8.1%
Strongly agree	106	21.0%
Total	**505**	**100.0%**

Q15e - Active role modelling of self-care provided

Category	n	%
Neutral	126	25.0%
Somewhat agree	167	33.1%
Somewhat disagree	91	18.0%
Strongly Disagree	52	10.3%
Strongly agree	69	13.7%
Total	**505**	**100.0%**

Q15f - Other wellbeing opportunity provided

Category	n	%
Neutral	74	74.7%
Somewhat agree	5	5.1%
Somewhat disagree	2	2.0%
Strongly Disagree	5	5.1%
Strongly agree	13	13.1%
Total	**99**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM1 Metropolitan preference (upon entry)

Rank	n	%
1.0	265	56.1%
2.0	59	12.5%
3.0	35	7.4%
4.0	21	4.4%
5.0	21	4.4%
6.0	71	15.0%
Total	**472**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM1 Metropolitan preference (currently)

Rank	n	%
1.0	148	31.1%
2.0	98	20.6%
3.0	66	13.9%
4.0	50	10.5%
5.0	24	5.0%
6.0	90	18.9%
Total	**476**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM2 Regional centres preference (upon entry)

Rank	n	%
1.0	65	13.8%
2.0	281	59.5%
3.0	47	10.0%
4.0	28	5.9%
5.0	49	10.4%
6.0	2	0.4%
Total	**472**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM2 Regional centres preference (currently)

Rank	n	%
1.0	144	30.3%
2.0	172	36.2%
3.0	58	12.2%
4.0	33	6.9%
5.0	59	12.4%
6.0	9	1.9%
Total	**475**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM3 Large rural towns preference (upon entry)

Rank	n	%
1.0	72	15.3%
2.0	46	9.8%
3.0	282	60.0%
4.0	45	9.6%
5.0	16	3.4%
6.0	9	1.9%
Total	**470**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM3 Large rural towns preference (currently)

Rank	n	%
1.0	93	19.7%
2.0	94	19.9%
3.0	190	40.3%
4.0	60	12.7%
5.0	25	5.3%
6.0	10	2.1%
Total	**472**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM4 Medium rural towns preference (upon entry)

Rank	n	%
1.0	32	6.9%
2.0	34	7.3%
3.0	55	11.8%
4.0	307	66.0%
5.0	25	5.4%
6.0	12	2.6%
Total	**465**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM4 Medium rural towns preference (currently)

Rank	n	%
1.0	36	7.7%
2.0	55	11.7%
3.0	83	17.7%
4.0	252	53.7%
5.0	28	6.0%
6.0	15	3.2%
Total	**469**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM5 Small rural towns preference (upon entry)

Rank	n	%
1.0	18	3.9%
2.0	39	8.4%
3.0	23	4.9%
4.0	44	9.4%
5.0	321	68.7%
6.0	22	4.7%
Total	**467**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM5 Small rural towns preference (currently)

Rank	n	%
1.0	19	4.1%
2.0	50	10.7%
3.0	29	6.2%
4.0	47	10.0%
5.0	300	64.1%
6.0	23	4.9%
Total	**468**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM6/7 Remote/very remote preference (upon entry)

Rank	n	%
1.0	26	5.6%
2.0	9	1.9%
3.0	29	6.2%
4.0	24	5.2%
5.0	31	6.7%
6.0	346	74.4%
Total	**465**	**100.0%**

Q16 - MM6/7 Remote/very remote preference (currently)

Rank	n	%
1.0	43	9.2%
2.0	8	1.7%
3.0	47	10.0%
4.0	24	5.1%
5.0	31	6.6%
6.0	313	66.7%
61.0	1	0.2%
7.0	2	0.4%
Total	**469**	**100.0%**

Q17 - Rural Generalism preference (upon entry)

Rank	n	%
1.0	61	13.0%
2.0	86	18.3%
3.0	163	34.8%
4.0	157	33.5%
5.0	1	0.2%
6.0	1	0.2%
Total	**469**	**100.0%**

Q17 - Rural Generalism preference (currently)

Rank	n	%
1.0	134	28.3%
2.0	132	27.8%
3.0	135	28.5%
4.0	72	15.2%
6.0	1	0.2%
Total	**474**	**100.0%**

Q17 - General Practice preference (upon entry)

Rank	n	%
1.0	72	15.4%
2.0	92	19.6%
3.0	169	36.0%
4.0	133	28.4%
5.0	1	0.2%
6.0	2	0.4%
Total	**469**	**100.0%**

Q17 - General Practice preference (currently)

Rank	n	%
1.0	40	8.4%
2.0	115	24.2%
3.0	159	33.5%
4.0	160	33.7%
6.0	1	0.2%
Total	**475**	**100.0%**

Q17 - Specialist (broad scope) preference (upon entry)

Rank	n	%
1.0	243	51.7%
2.0	129	27.4%
3.0	81	17.2%
4.0	16	3.4%
6.0	1	0.2%
Total	**470**	**100.0%**

Q17 - Specialist (broad scope) preference (currently)

Rank	n	%
1.0	231	48.5%
2.0	127	26.7%
3.0	95	20.0%
4.0	22	4.6%
6.0	1	0.2%
Total	**476**	**100.0%**

Q17 - Sub-specialist/other preference (upon entry)

Rank	n	%
1.0	94	20.2%
2.0	154	33.0%
3.0	57	12.2%
4.0	158	33.9%
5.0	2	0.4%
6.0	1	0.2%
Total	**466**	**100.0%**

Q17 - Sub-specialist/other preference (currently)

Rank	n	%
1.0	79	16.7%
2.0	105	22.2%
3.0	75	15.9%
4.0	212	44.8%
5.0	2	0.4%
Total	**473**	**100.0%**

Q18a - Rural practice is too hard

Category	n	%
Neutral	75	15.1%
Somewhat Agree	54	10.9%
Somewhat Disagree	225	45.3%
Strongly Agree	6	1.2%
Strongly Disagree	137	27.6%
Total	**497**	**100.0%**

Q18b - Have necessary skills to practise rurally

Category	n	%
Neutral	55	11.1%
Somewhat Agree	310	62.5%
Somewhat Disagree	37	7.5%
Strongly Agree	91	18.3%
Strongly Disagree	3	0.6%
Total	**496**	**100.0%**

Q18c - Anxious feeling about working rurally

Category	n	%
Neutral	60	12.1%
Somewhat Agree	39	7.9%
Somewhat Disagree	154	31.0%
Strongly Agree	11	2.2%
Strongly Disagree	232	46.8%
Total	**496**	**100.0%**

Q18d - Strong positive feeling about working rurally

Category	n	%
Neutral	79	15.9%
Somewhat Agree	222	44.7%
Somewhat Disagree	29	5.8%
Strongly Agree	160	32.2%
Strongly Disagree	7	1.4%
Total	**497**	**100.0%**

Q18e - Others tell me I should work rurally

Category	n	%
Neutral	83	16.7%
Somewhat Agree	199	40.1%
Somewhat Disagree	25	5.0%
Strongly Agree	184	37.1%
Strongly Disagree	5	1.0%
Total	**496**	**100.0%**

Q18f - See people like me taking up rural clinical practice

Category	n	%
Neutral	81	16.3%
Somewhat Agree	228	45.9%
Somewhat Disagree	52	10.5%
Strongly Agree	116	23.3%
Strongly Disagree	20	4.0%
Total	**497**	**100.0%**

Q19b - 4+ weeks in MM1 Metropolitan

Category	n	%
No	375	78.6%
Yes	102	21.4%
Total	**477**	**100.0%**

Q19b - 4+ weeks in MM2 Regional centres

Category	n	%
No	367	76.6%
Yes	112	23.4%
Total	**479**	**100.0%**

Q19b - 4+ weeks in MM3 Large rural towns

Category	n	%
No	315	66.3%
Yes	160	33.7%
Total	**475**	**100.0%**

Q19b - 4+ weeks in MM4 Medium rural towns

Category	n	%
No	362	76.2%
Yes	113	23.8%
Total	**475**	**100.0%**

Q19b - 4+ weeks in MM5 Small rural towns

Category	n	%
No	396	83.2%
Yes	80	16.8%
Total	**476**	**100.0%**

Q19b - 4+ weeks in MM6/7 Remote/very remote

Category	n	%
No	414	86.8%
Yes	63	13.2%
Total	**477**	**100.0%**

Q19b - Did not move during RCS placement

Category	n	%
No	291	63.1%
Yes	170	36.9%
Total	**461**	**100.0%**

Q20a - Received formal tuition on rural career options

Category	n	%
Neither agree nor disagree	85	17.1%
Somewhat agree	201	40.4%
Somewhat disagree	96	19.3%
Strongly Disagree	38	7.6%
Strongly agree	77	15.5%
Total	**497**	**100.0%**

Q20b - Received informal info on rural career options

Category	n	%
Neither agree nor disagree	38	7.6%
Somewhat agree	243	48.9%
Somewhat disagree	29	5.8%
Strongly Disagree	9	1.8%
Strongly agree	178	35.8%
Total	**497**	**100.0%**

Q20c - Worked with junior doctors training for rural practice

Category	n	%
Neither agree nor disagree	18	3.6%
Somewhat agree	201	40.4%
Somewhat disagree	26	5.2%
Strongly Disagree	15	3.0%
Strongly agree	237	47.7%
Total	**497**	**100.0%**

Q20d - Wished for more rural career training info this year

Category	n	%
Neither agree nor disagree	158	31.9%
Somewhat agree	141	28.4%
Somewhat disagree	106	21.4%
Strongly Disagree	38	7.7%
Strongly agree	53	10.7%
Total	**496**	**100.0%**

Q21a - Was a member of student rural health club

Category	n	%
No	274	55.2%
Yes	222	44.8%
Total	**496**	**100.0%**

Q21b - Rural health club gave positive/realistic expectations

Category	n	%
Neutral	72	33.6%
Somewhat agree	75	35.0%
Somewhat disagree	19	8.9%
Strongly Disagree	10	4.7%
Strongly agree	38	17.8%
Total	**214**	**100.0%**

Q21b - Rural health club increased intentions to practise rurally

Category	n	%
Neutral	70	32.7%
Somewhat agree	65	30.4%
Somewhat disagree	28	13.1%
Strongly Disagree	15	7.0%
Strongly agree	36	16.8%
Total	**214**	**100.0%**

Q22a - RCS educated me adequately about ATSI culture

Category	n	%
Neutral	71	14.9%
Somewhat agree	184	38.5%
Somewhat disagree	84	17.6%
Strongly Disagree	38	7.9%
Strongly agree	101	21.1%
Total	**478**	**100.0%**

Q22b - RCS made me want to engage further with ATSI culture and health

Category	n	%
Neutral	124	26.0%
Somewhat agree	169	35.4%
Somewhat disagree	59	12.4%
Strongly Disagree	15	3.1%
Strongly agree	110	23.1%
Total	**477**	**100.0%**

Q22c - RCS gave insight into ATSI social determinants / closing the gap

Category	n	%
Neutral	68	14.3%
Somewhat agree	199	41.7%
Somewhat disagree	50	10.5%
Strongly Disagree	16	3.4%
Strongly agree	144	30.2%
Total	**477**	**100.0%**

Q22d - More comfortable communicating with ATSI people

Category	n	%
Neutral	107	22.3%
Somewhat agree	185	38.5%
Somewhat disagree	47	9.8%
Strongly Disagree	35	7.3%
Strongly agree	106	22.1%
Total	**480**	**100.0%**

Q23 - RCS prepared me for roles and responsibilities of a junior doctor

Category	n	%
Neutral	37	7.6%
Somewhat agree	204	41.7%
Somewhat disagree	3	0.6%
Strongly Disagree	2	0.4%
Strongly agree	243	49.7%
Total	**489**	**100.0%**