



Undergraduate Clinical Placements
Supported by Ramsay Health Care Australia

ANNUAL REPORT

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INTRODUCTION:

Ramsay Health Care is Australia's largest private hospital operator and a well-recognised brand in the industry. The Company leads the way in developing the role of private health care in Australia's balanced health care system. It is also recognised as a leader in teaching and research with an emphasis in its hospitals on both undergraduate and postgraduate training of the future medical and nursing workforce.

Ramsay Health Care is extremely proud of the high quality of our staff, our excellent relationships with doctors, and our commitment to improvement in all areas and our vision for the future. "[The Ramsay Way](#)" culture which recognizes that people – our staff and doctors – are our most important asset, has been key to the Company's ongoing success.

With over 65 hospitals and day surgery units, Ramsay Health Care Australia admits over 750,000 patients and conducts over 450,000 procedures per annum. The Company is well-respected as a leader in the private health care industry in Australia.

SUPPORTING CLINICAL PLACEMENTS AND THE FUTURE HEALTH WORKFORCE:

Ramsay Health Care has a long and proud history of contributing to the positive learning outcomes of undergraduate health care students throughout our Australian hospitals. Nursing, medical and allied health students are exposed to a wide range of clinical environments. The following report details the significant contribution made by all Ramsay hospitals to supporting and accommodating undergraduate health care students from July 1 2008 through to July 1st 2009. Please note: Individual hospital data can be retrieved upon request at any time.

METHODOLOGY:

The National Workforce Planning and Development Department designed and issued a web based survey using web host "SURVEY MONKEY". The survey was distributed electronically via email to all hospital executives throughout our 62 Australian Hospitals. The survey was launched on 16th June 2009 for the purposes of retrospective analysis.

Number of Surveys Distributed:	Response Rate:
62	62 (100%)

For a full Profile of Ramsay Health Care's Australian facilities please click [here](#) when viewing this document online.

A copy of the survey can be viewed at:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=brnjAul3E2FmsrLPcPdRXw_3d_3d

SYNOPSIS:

For the Financial Year 2008-2009:

- **91.8%** of Ramsay Health Care's 62 Australian Hospitals accommodated undergraduate nursing students (Division 1)
- **65.6%** of Ramsay Health Care's 62 Australian Hospitals accommodated undergraduate nursing students (Division 2/EN)
- **37.7%** of Ramsay Health Care's 62 Australian Hospitals accommodated undergraduate medical students
- Ramsay Health Care supported **6020** health care students in total
- Ramsay Health Care supported **3748** undergraduate nursing students (Division 1)
- Ramsay Health Care supported **797** undergraduate nursing students (Division 2/EN)
- Ramsay Health Care supported **755** undergraduate medical students
- Ramsay Health Care provided **24, 819** clinical placement days to undergraduate nursing students
- Ramsay Health Care provided **1,789,948** clinical placement hours to undergraduate nursing students
- Ramsay Health Care provided **16,412** clinical placement days to undergraduate students other than nursing (includes medical and allied health)
- Ramsay Health Care provided **349,829** clinical placement hours to undergraduate students other than nursing (includes medical and allied health)
- **39%** of Ramsay Health Care's 62 Australian Hospitals stated their student intake numbers would remain the same for FY 09-10
- **29.5%** of Ramsay Health Care's 62 Australian Hospitals stated their student intake numbers would increase by **more than 10%** for FY 09-10
- **26.2%** of Ramsay Health Care's 62 Australian Hospitals stated their student intake numbers would increase by **less than 10%** for FY 09-10

HOSPITALS: The following hospitals submitted responses to the survey and completed 100% of the questions issued: **(62 HOSPITALS IN TOTAL)**

QUEENSLAND	NEW SOUTH WALES	VICTORIA	WESTERN AUSTRALIA
Caboolture Private Hospital	Albury Wodonga Private Hospital	Albert Road Clinic	Attadale Private Hospital
Cairns Day Surgery	Armidale Private Hospital	Beleura Private Hospital	Glengary Private Hospital
Cairns Private Hospital	Baringa Private Hospital	Donvale Rehabilitation Hospital	Hollywood Private Hospital
Caloundra Private Hospital	Berkeley Vale Private Hospital	Frances Perry House	Joondalup Private Hospital
Greenslopes Private Hospital	Castlecrag Private Hospital	Glenferrie Private Hospital	
Hillcrest - Rockhampton Private Hospital	Coffs Harbour Day Surgery	Linacre Private Hospital	
John Flynn Private Hospital	Dudley Private Hospital	Masada Private Hospital	SOUTH AUSTRALIA
Nambour Selangor Private Hospital	Figtree Private Hospital	Mildura Base Hospital	Adelaide Clinic
New Farm Clinic	Hunters Hill Private Hospital	Mitcham Private Hospital	Fullarton Private Hospital
Noosa Hospital	Kareena Private Hospital	Murray Valley Private Hospital	Kahlyn Day Centre
North West Private Hospital	Lake Macquarie Private Hospital	Peninsula Private Hospital	
Pindara - Gold Coast Private Hospital	Lawrence Hargrave Private Hospital	Shepparton Private Hospital	
Pindara Day Surgery	Mt Wilga Private Hospital	The Avenue Private Hospital	
St Andrew's Ipswich Private Hospital	North Shore Private Hospital	Wangaratta Private Hospital	
	Northside Clinic	Warringal Private Hospital	
	Northside Cremorne Clinic	Waverley Private Hospital	
	Northside West Clinic		
	Nowra Private Hospital		
	Port Macquarie Private Hospital		
	Southern Highlands Private Hospital		
	St George Private Hospital		
	Strathfield Private Hospital		
	Tamara Private Hospital		
	Warners Bay Private Hospital		
	Westmead Private Hospital		

RESULTS:

Please indicate whether you provided clinical placements at your hospital for the following cohorts of students for financial year 2008-2009 (please select the boxes of student groups you have accommodated):

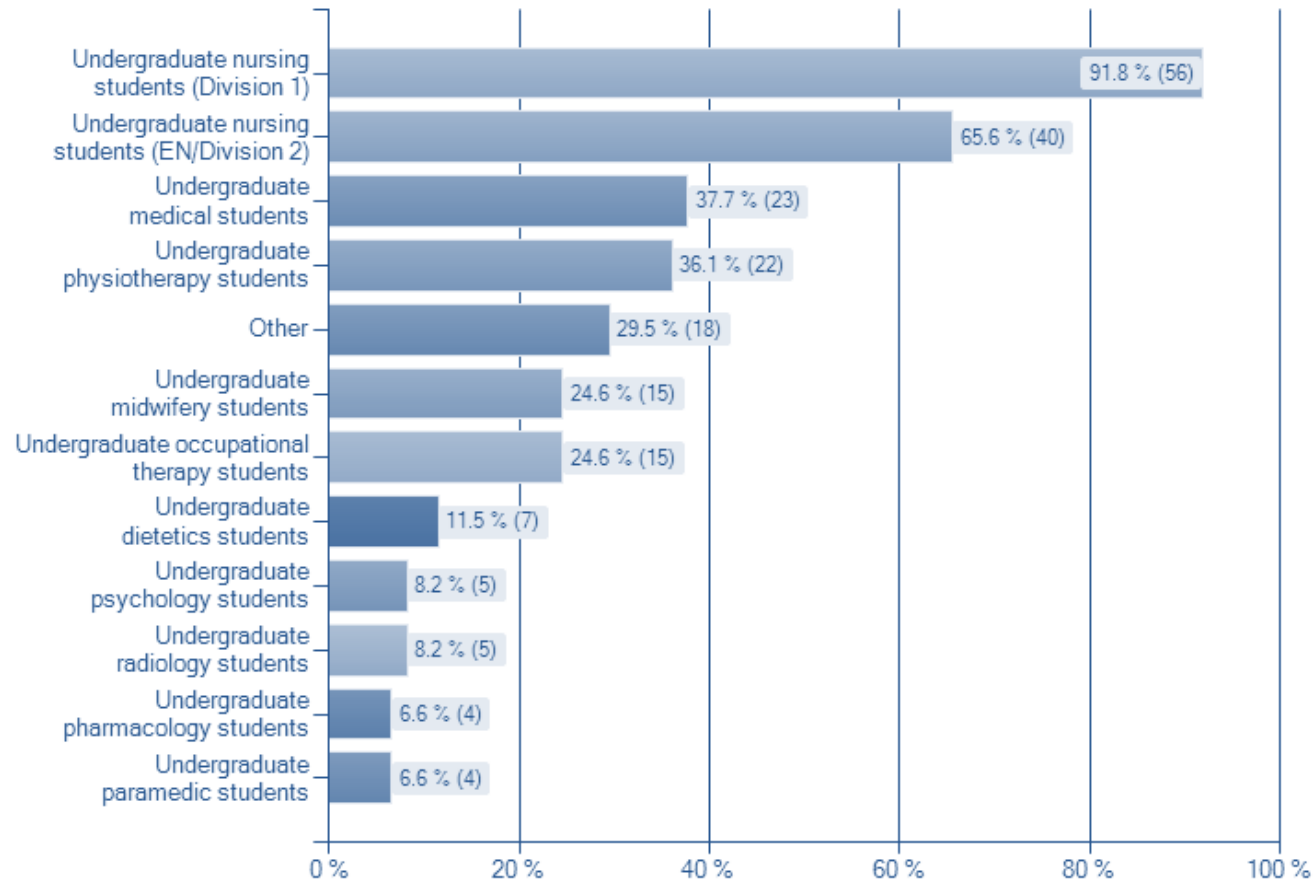


Figure 1.0: Undergraduate students (by cohort type) supported by Ramsay Health Care Hospitals. Percentages represent number of hospitals that accommodated each various student cohort

NB: Answers in category listed as "other- 29.5%" were defined by respondents as Speech Therapy students and Exercise Physiology Students

Below: Figure 1.0a: Number of Individual Students Accommodated by Cohort Type by Ramsay Hospitals

Student Cohorts	Number of Students accommodated (National Tally)
Undergraduate Nursing Students Division 1	3748
Undergraduate Nursing Students Division 2/EN	797
Undergraduate Medical Students	755
Undergraduate Midwifery Students	262
Undergraduate Physiotherapy Students	197
Undergraduate Occupational Therapy Students	83
Undergraduate Dietetic Students	56
Undergraduate Radiology Students	31
Undergraduate Psychology Students	29
Undergraduate Paramedic Students	27
Undergraduate Pharmacology Students	18
Other (category listed as "other" was defined by respondents as Speech Therapy and Exercise Physiology)	17
TOTAL STUDENTS:	6020

Below: Figure 1.0b: Nursing Students

Nursing Students supported over the past year	Number of Students accommodated (National Tally)
Undergraduate Nursing Students (Includes Division 1 and Division 2/EN)	4545
Number of clinical placement days undertaken	24,819
Average shift length per student per placement day	7.81 hours
Total number of nursing clinical placement hours attended throughout Ramsay Hospitals	1,789,948 hours

Below: Figure 1.0c: Non-Nursing Students (includes medical students and allied health students)

Non- Nursing Students supported over the past year (includes medical and allied health)	Number of Students accommodated (National Tally)
Non Nursing Health Students	1475
Number of clinical placement days undertaken	16,412
Average shift length per student per placement day	5.63 hours
Total number of nursing clinical placement hours attended throughout Ramsay Hospitals	349,829 hours

Average number of students supported per Ramsay hospital for FY 08-09 (by student cohort type)

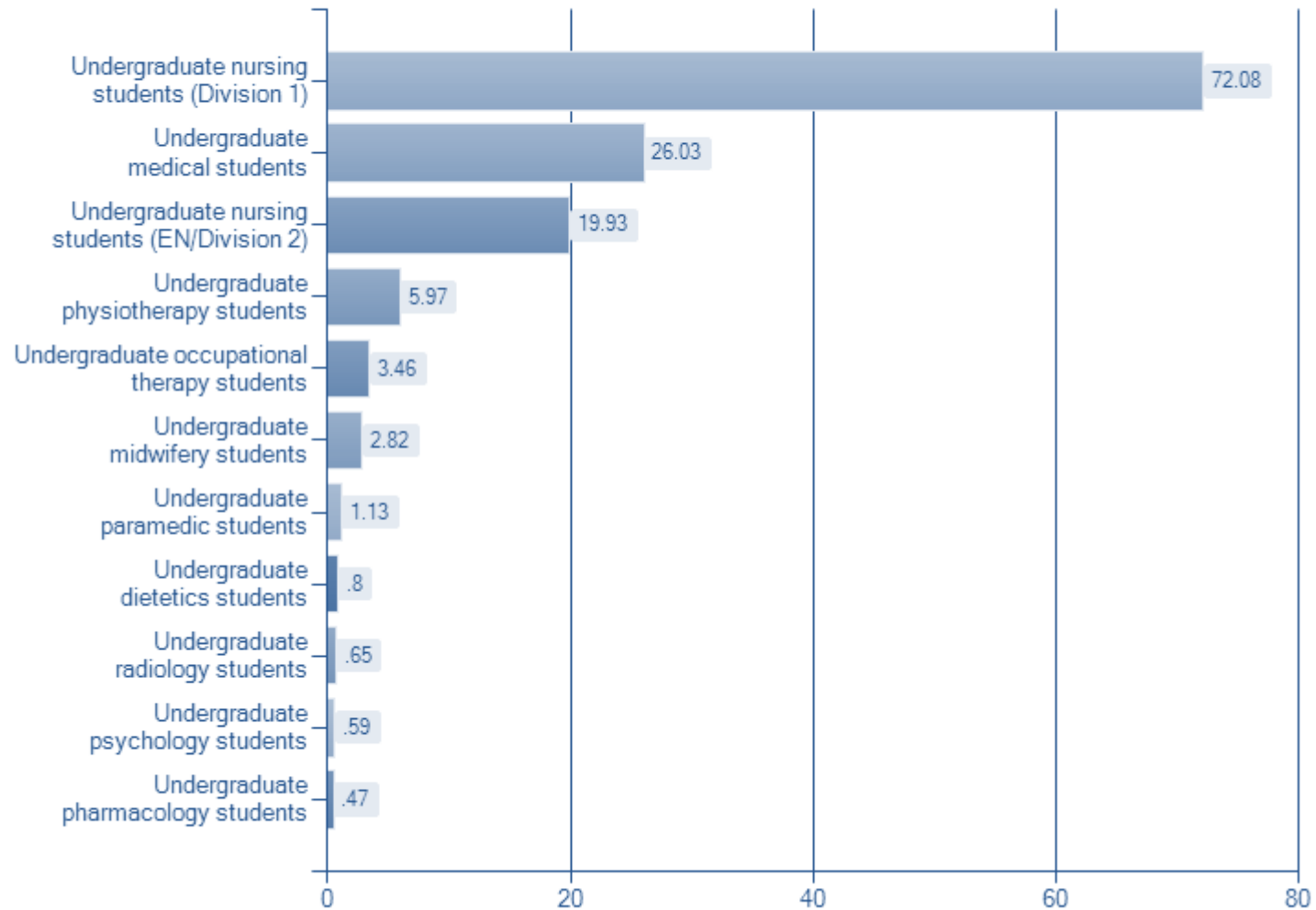


Figure 2.0 Average number of students supported per Ramsay Hospital for FY 08-09 (by student cohort type)

Are you currently funded by the relevant university/training organisation for students who attend clinical placement at your hospital?

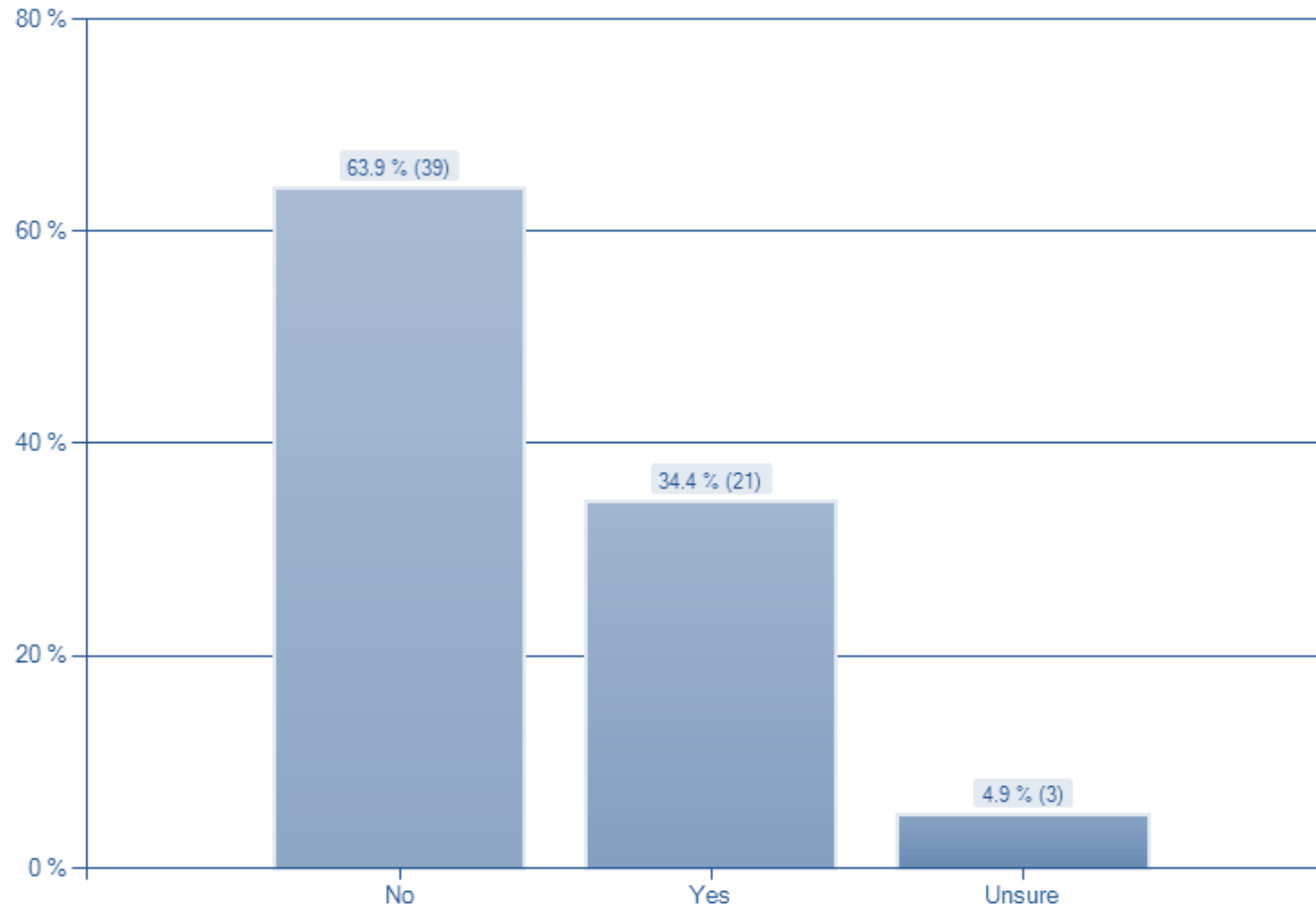


Figure 3.0: Funding by university/Training Organisation. NB: sites may have elected more than one answer, hence total percentages equating to greater than 100%.

Does your hospital provide the clinical teacher/educator for students who attend your hospital for clinical placement?

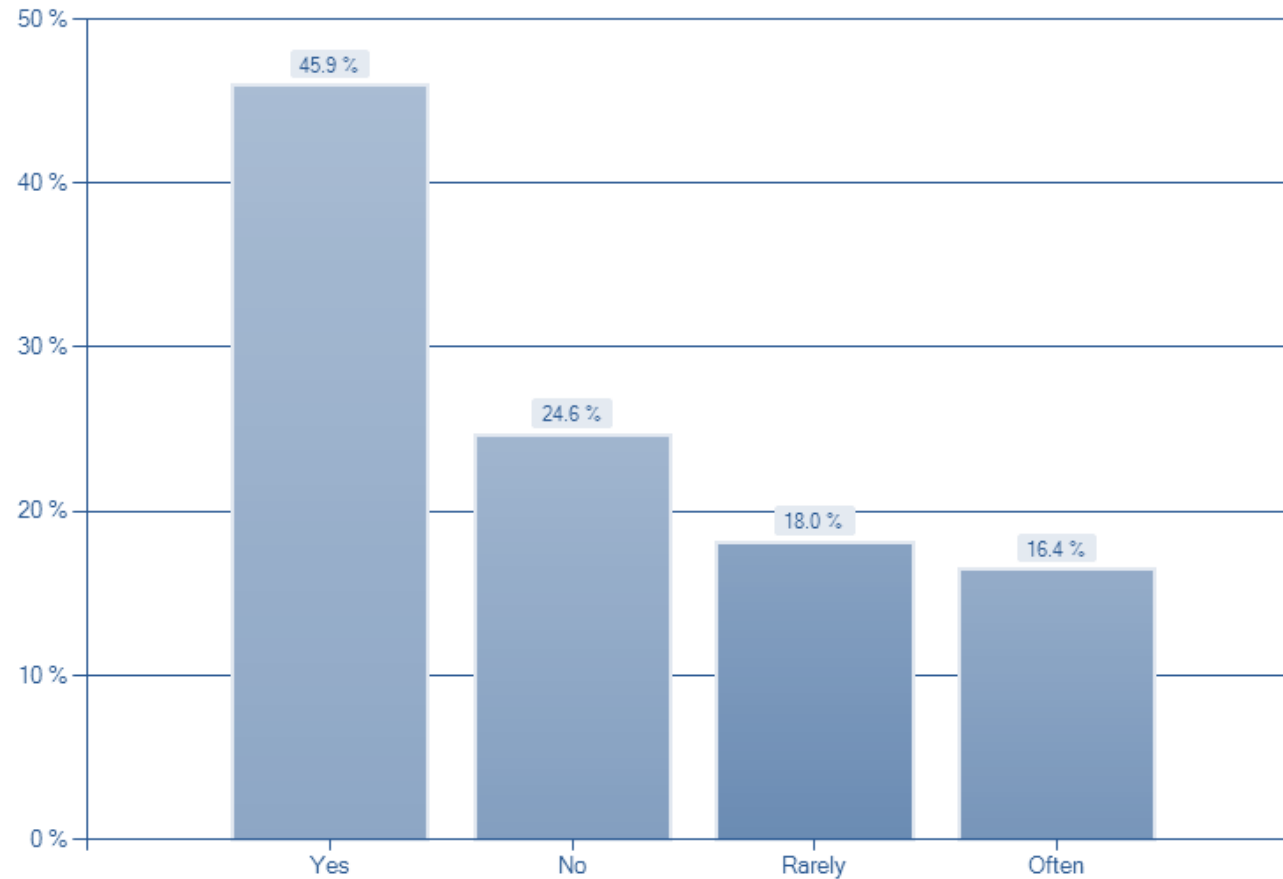


Figure 4.0: Provision of teaching/clinical support to students by Ramsay Health Care's own staff. NB: sites may have elected more than one answer, hence total percentages equating to greater than 100%.

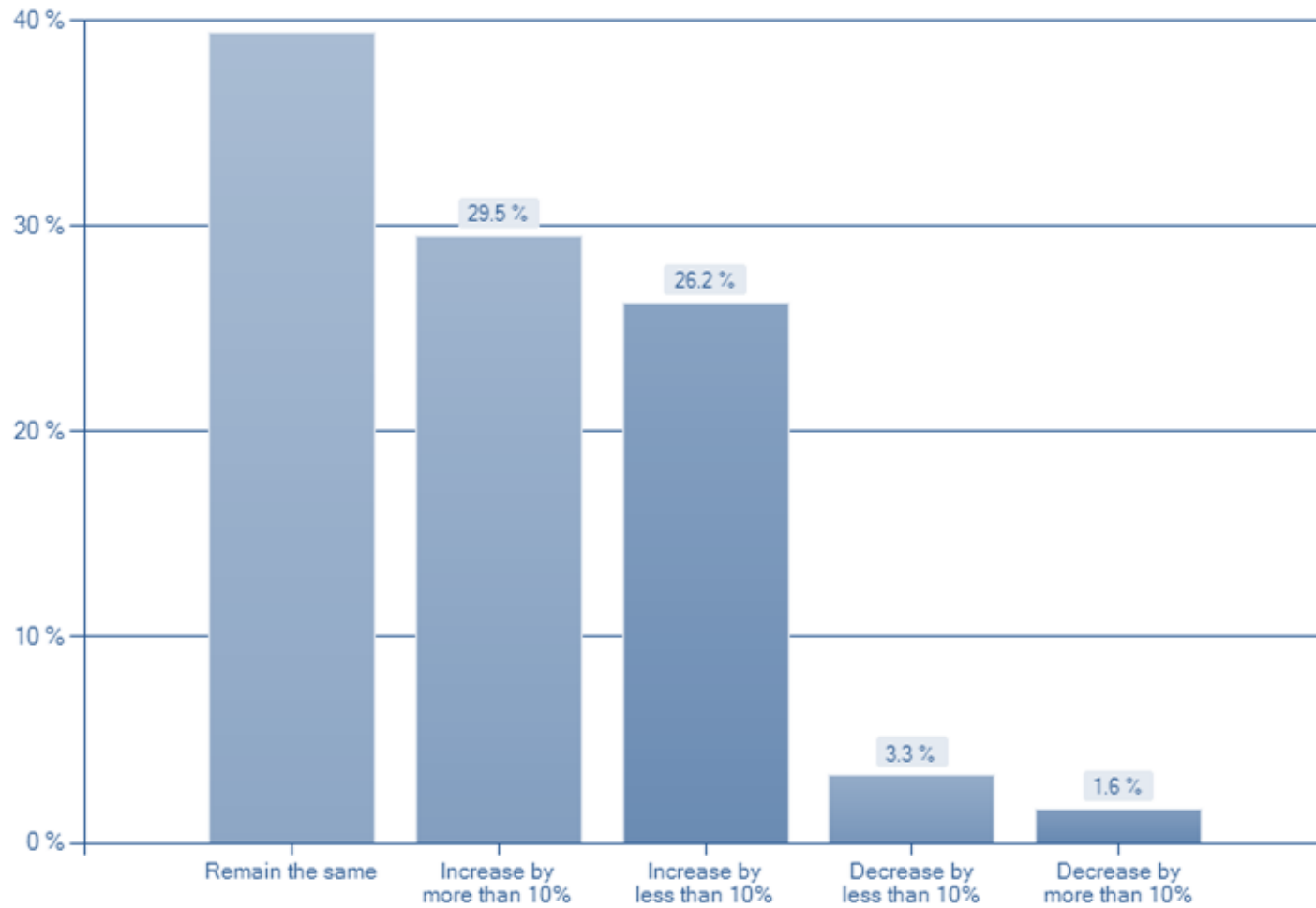


Figure 5.0 Anticipated Capacity for supporting undergraduate students FY 09-10.

Australian Universities identified as “Top” providers of student volumes to Ramsay Health Care in 2008-2009
(In alphabetical order)

Universities:

Australian Catholic University
Central Queensland University
Deakin University
Edith Cowan University
Charles Sturt
Curtin University
Griffith University
Latrobe University
Monash University
Melbourne University
RMIT
Southern Cross University
Swinburne University
University of Newcastle
University of Queensland
University of South Australia
University of Technology Sydney
University Of Wollongong
UWS
University of Western Australia

NB: Ramsay Health Care currently **holds over 55** Affiliation Agreements with University and TAFEs throughout Australia.

END OF REPORT

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