



Interpreting the Student Frequency Distribution Report

Sample

The Student Frequency Distribution report is based on the responses of students at your institution, as well as the students at the other participating FET colleges. The column labelled with your institution's name represents the responses of the students at your institution. The column labelled "FET Students" represents the responses of the students from the other participating FET colleges.

Variable Name	Variable Name	Response Options	College X		FET Students	
			Count	%	Count	%
4a Asked questions in class	clquest (ACL)	Never	0	0%	47	3%
		Sometimes	116	58%	846	52%
		Often	48	24%	373	23%
		Very often	36	18%	361	22%
		Total	200	100%	1,627	100%
4b Contributed to class discussions	cldisc (ACL)	Never	4	2%	26	2%
		Sometimes	50	25%	408	25%
		Often	76	38%	596	37%
		Very often	70	35%	585	36%
		Total	200	100%	1,615	100%

Variable Name
The name of each variable appears in the third column for easy reference to your data file.

Variable
The items from the CSSE survey appear in the left column in the same order and wording as they appear on the survey instrument.

Percentage %
This column represents the percentage of students responding to the particular options in each question.

Count
The count column represents the actual number of students who responded to the particular option in each question.

Benchmark
Items that make up the five "Benchmarks of Effective Educational Practice" are flagged by the following codes:

- ACL** Active and Collaborative Learning
- SASE** South African Student Effort
- AC** Academic Challenge
- SSI** Student-staff Interaction
- SASL** South African Support for Learners

Response Options
Response options appear in the fourth column just as they appear on the survey.