

MRCP(UK) Part 1 written examination May 2017

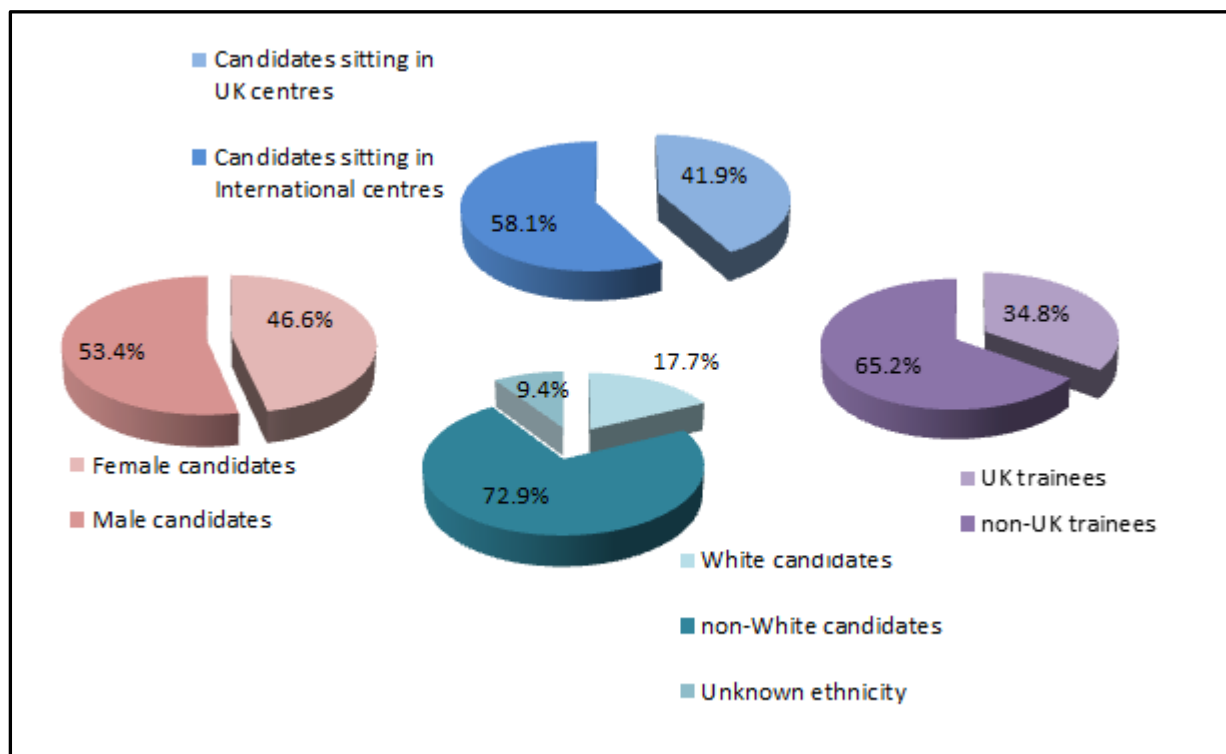
Performance report

Exam statistics

Number of candidates sitting	Number of UK trainees	Candidates not training in the UK	Pass equated score	Reliability (Cronbach alpha)	Standard error of measurement (%)
3719	1296	2423	528	0.93	3.2

Candidates sitting in UK centres	Candidates sitting in International centres	Female candidates	Male candidates	White candidates	non-White candidates	Unknown ethnicity
1557	2162	1732	1987	660	2710	349
41.9%	58.1%	46.6%	53.4%	17.7%	72.9%	9.4%

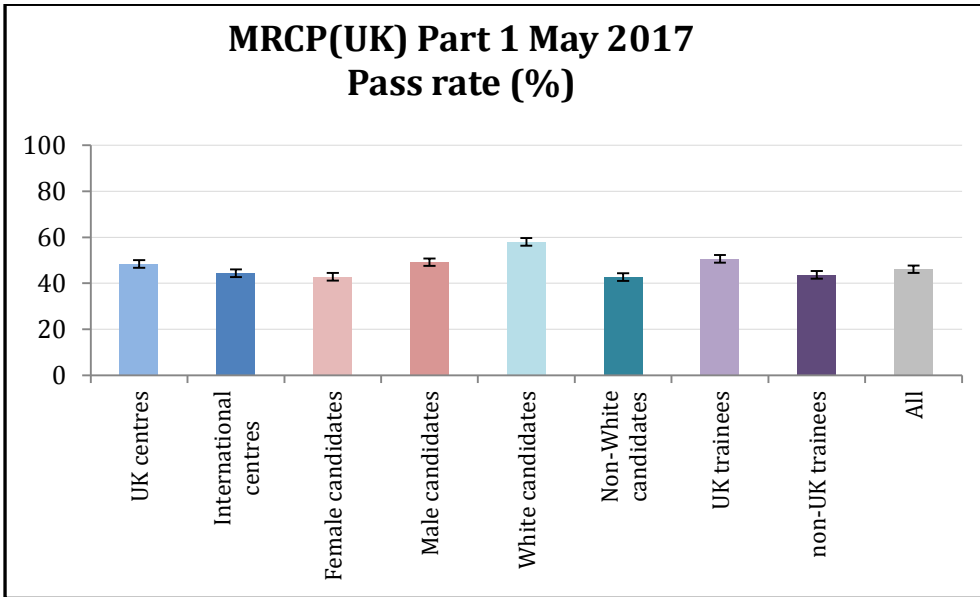
More than 50% of candidates were sitting in international centres; there were more male than female candidates and more non-White than White candidates. Less than half of total candidates are UK trainees.



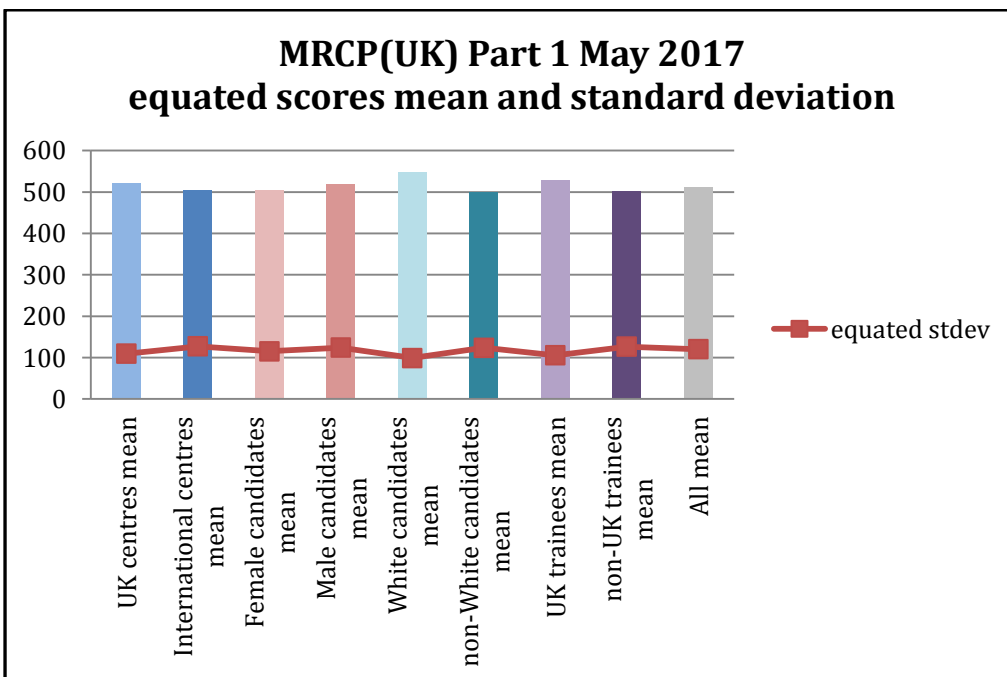
Candidate performance

Candidate numbers and pass rates for all groups are in line with the historical data.

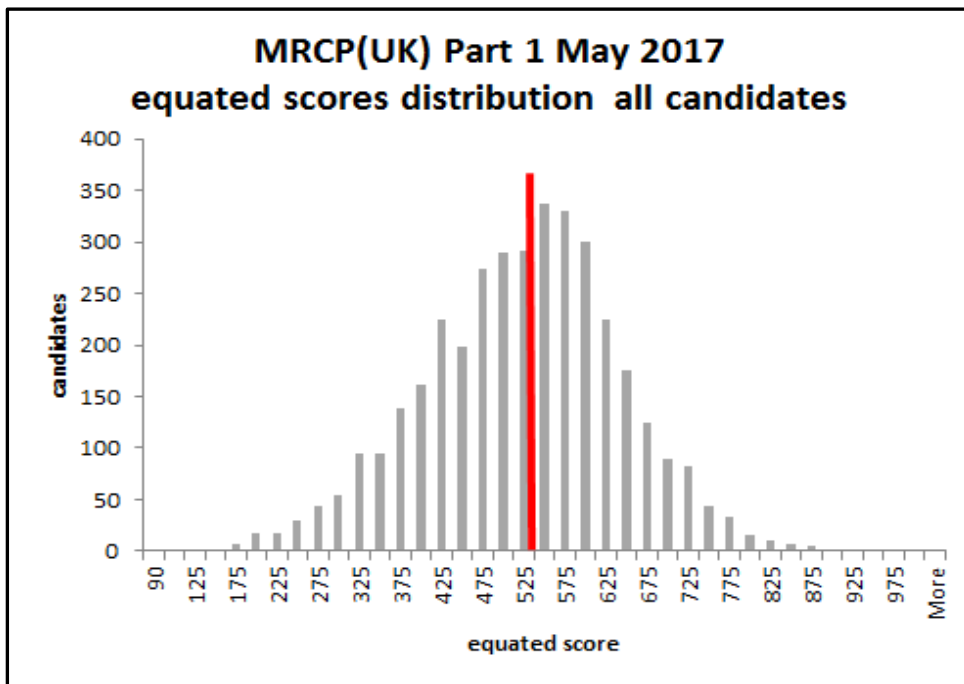
The pass rate is higher in UK centres than in international centres. Male candidates are passing in a higher percent than female candidates, more White candidates are passing than non-White candidates and UK trainees have higher pass rate than those not training in the UK.



The mean of equated scores is highest for White candidates and lowest for non-White candidates.

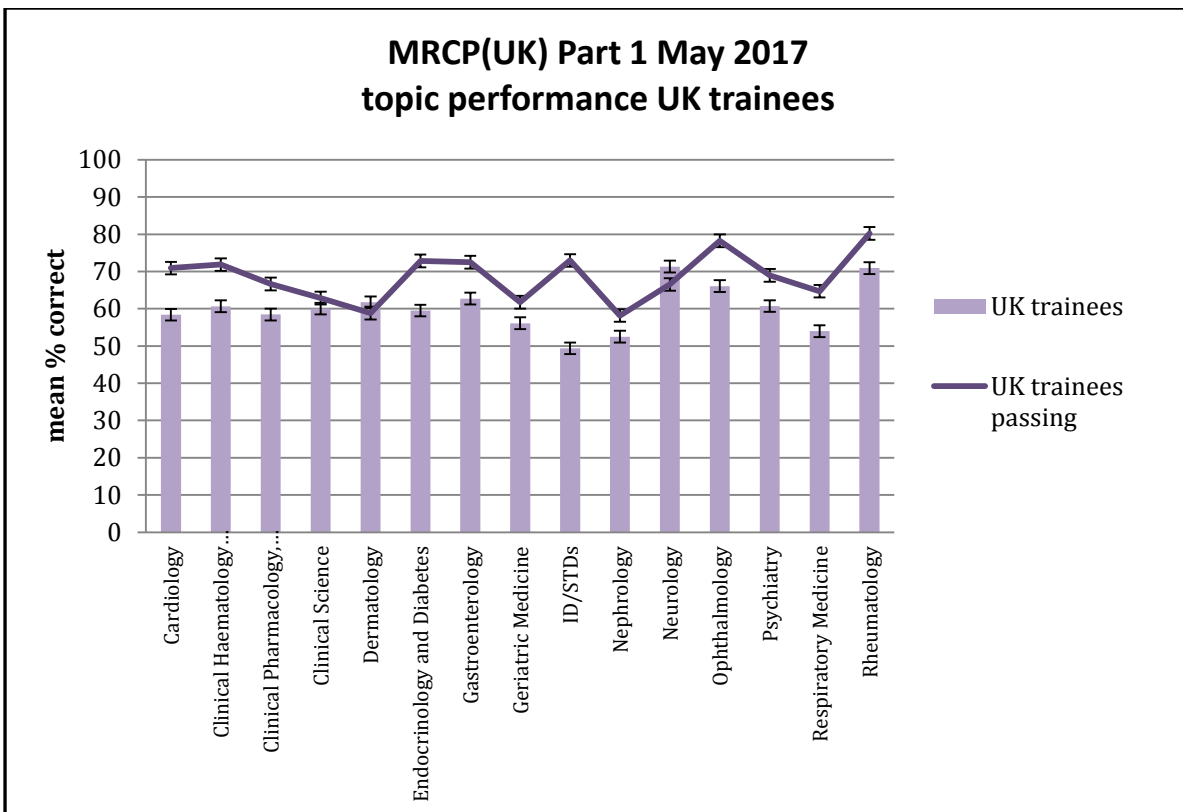
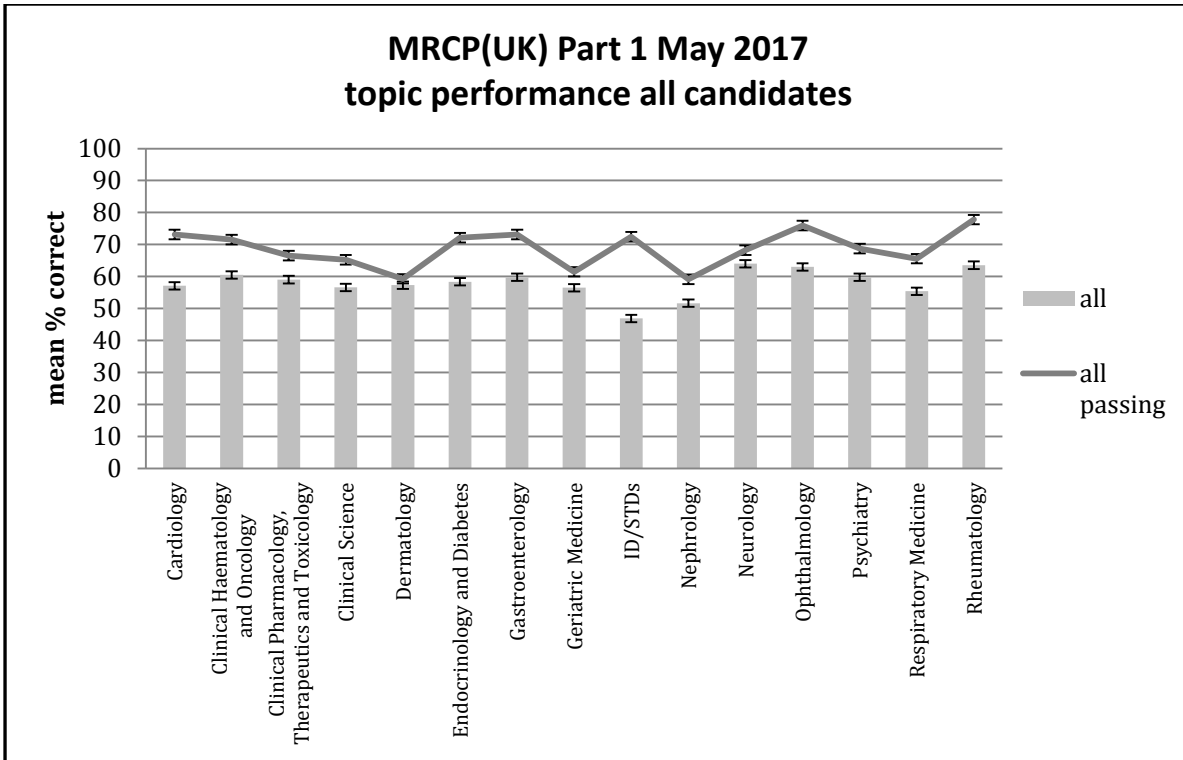


Candidate scores distribution shows a large number of candidates scoring between 450 and 600 (mean=510.7, stdev=120.3, median=516, mode=552). The pass mark is established at **528**. In this examination the number of correct answers for a pass is 120.



Topic performance

All candidates including those training in the UK have the highest mean percent correct in Neurology and Rheumatology topics and the lowest in ID/STDs.



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