

MRCP(UK) and Specialty Certificate Examinations Pass Rates by Gender and Ethnicity – 2015

Information about all the MRCP(UK) and Specialty Certificate Examination pass rates is updated on our website (<https://www.mrcpuk.org/mrcpuk-examinations/results/exam-pass-rates>) shortly after each exam has taken place. This report sets out data about the proportions of key groups of candidates (UK graduates etc) who are passing our exams. We aim to give candidates important feedback and be open and transparent. The MRCP(UK) Management Board agreed in 2011 that an annual report setting out the pass rates for candidates of all our exams according to their gender and ethnicity should be publicly available.

The MRCP(UK) has closely monitored ethnicity and gender rates for a number of years, and contributed data to a systematic review and meta-analysis of ethnicity and academic performance in medical students sitting MRCP(UK). This was co-authored by Professor Chris McManus, an Educational Advisor to the MRCP (UK), and is available at <http://www.bmj.com/content/342/bmj.d901>. The paper concludes that non-UK trained doctors and medical students from minority ethnic groups tend to underperform academically compared with their white counterparts, but that it is not clear why this is. The paper demonstrates that the differences in performance are consistent across medical schools, exam types, and undergraduate and postgraduate assessments, and has persisted for at least the past three decades.

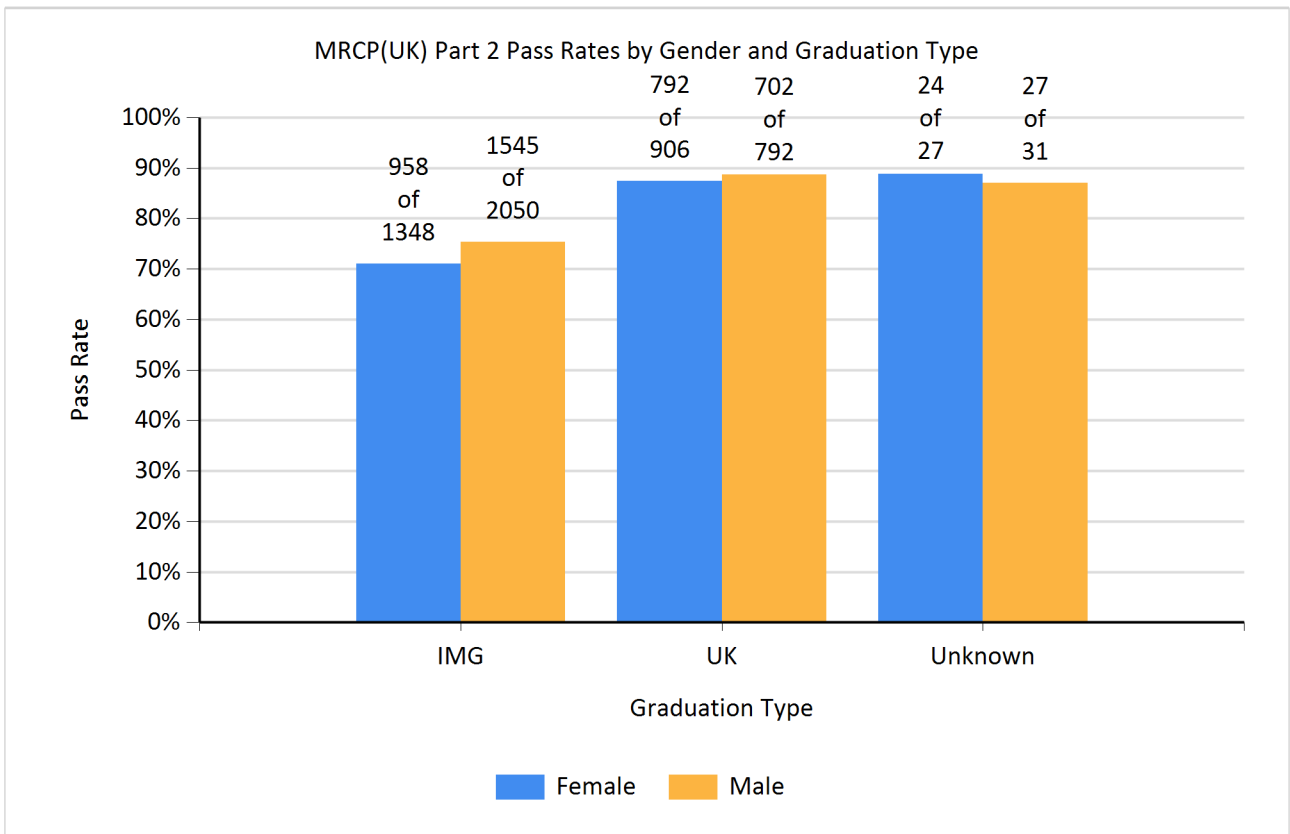
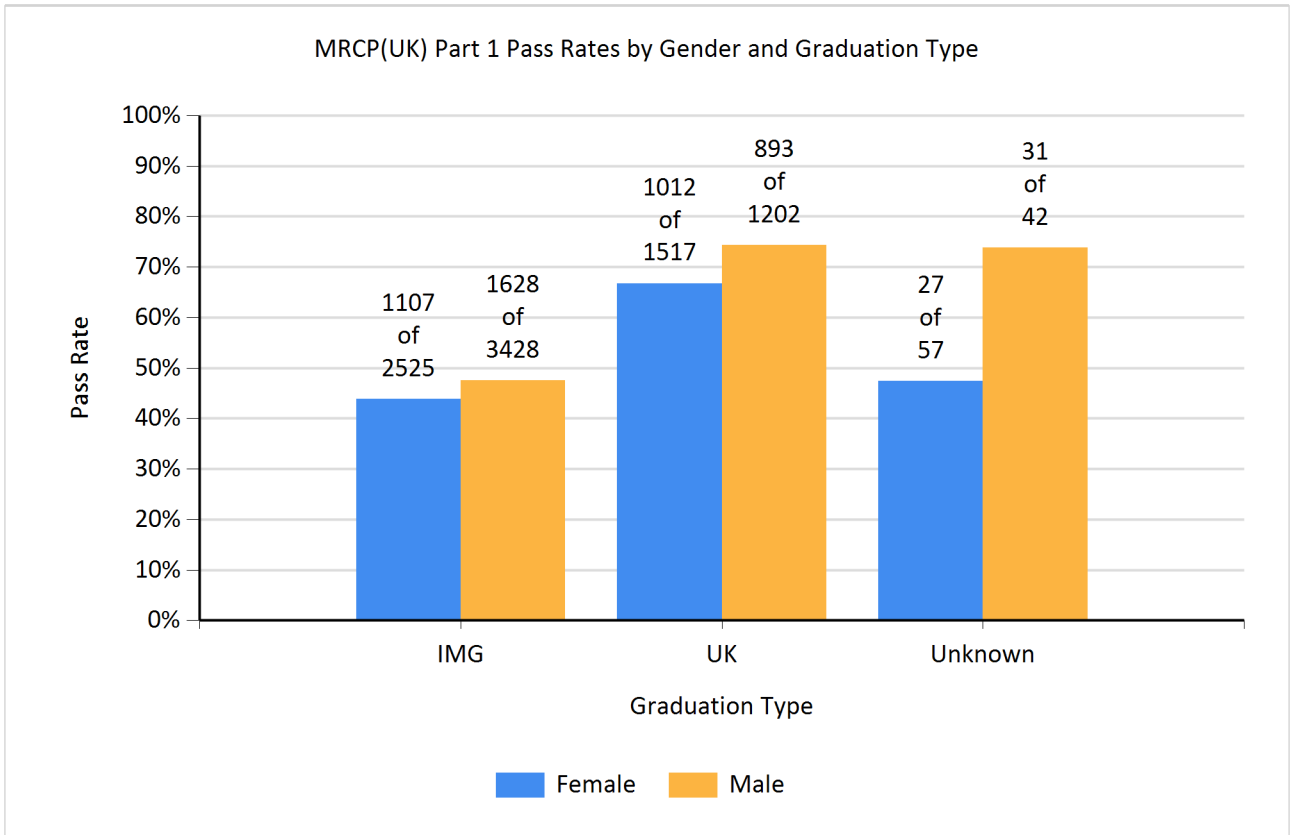
The MRCP(UK) has previously published its own paper analysing examination pass rates by the ethnicity and gender of UK graduates in 2003-2004, (which is available at <http://www.biomedcentral.com/1741-7015/5/8> and the same reporting categories have been used for this 2015 report to maintain consistency.

The graphs on the following pages show the percentage of passing candidates by gender and ethnicity for UK and International graduates for all three parts of the MRCP (UK) and the Specialty Certificate Examinations during 2015.

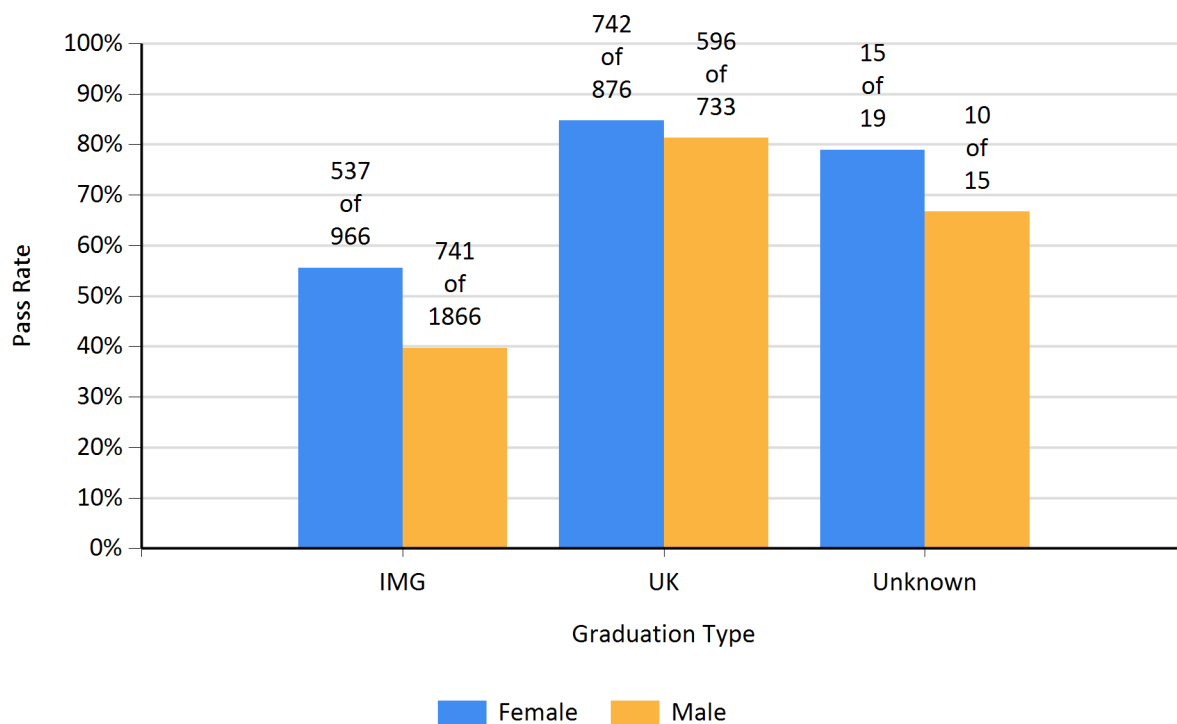
Please note: The gender and ethnicity data displayed in these graphs is self-declared by candidates.

The data labels on the charts show the number of candidates passing of the number sitting.

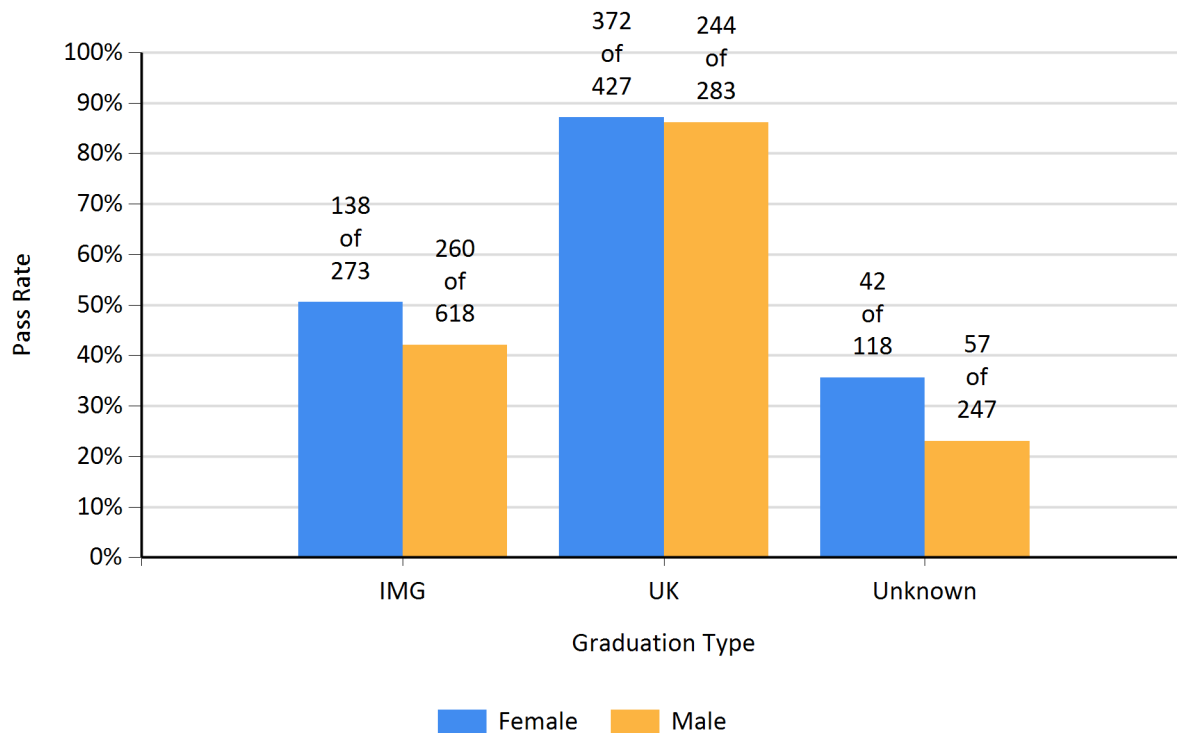
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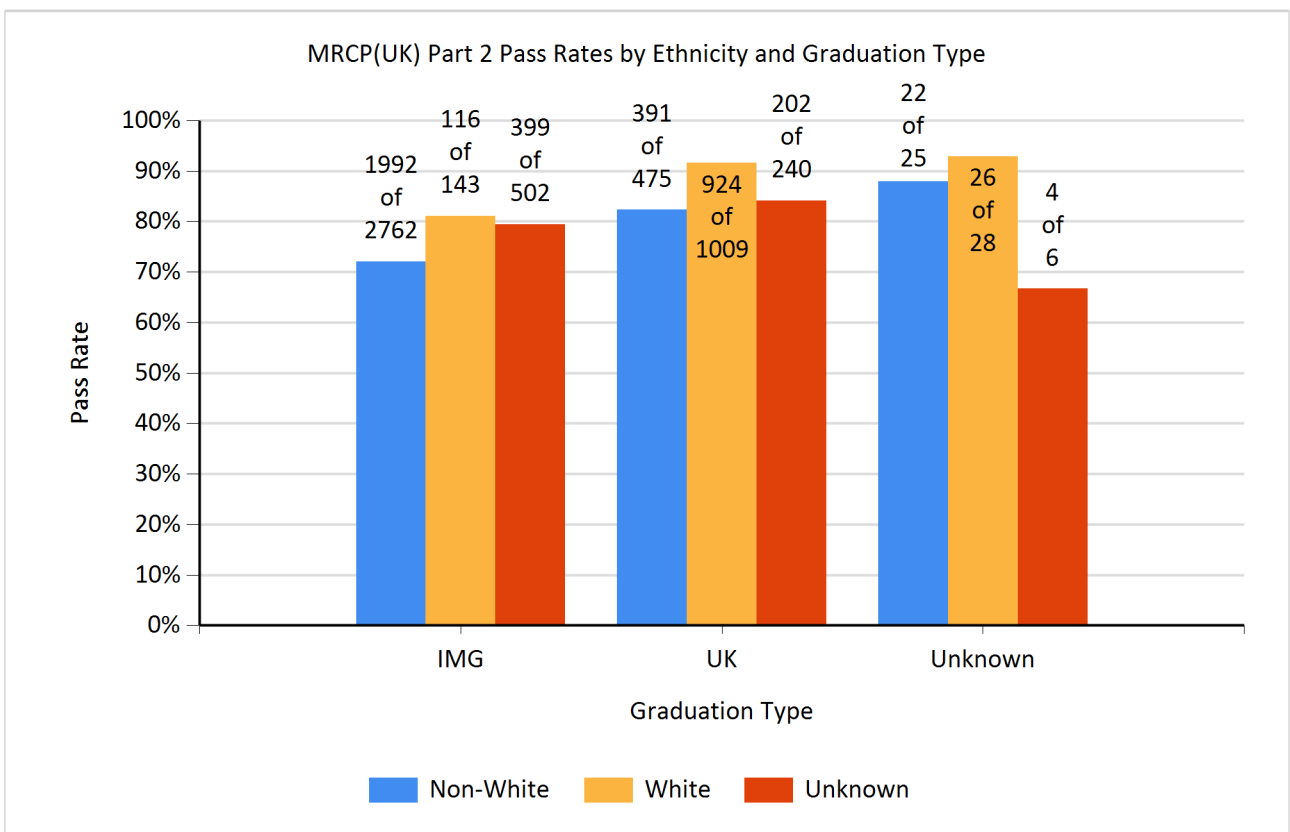
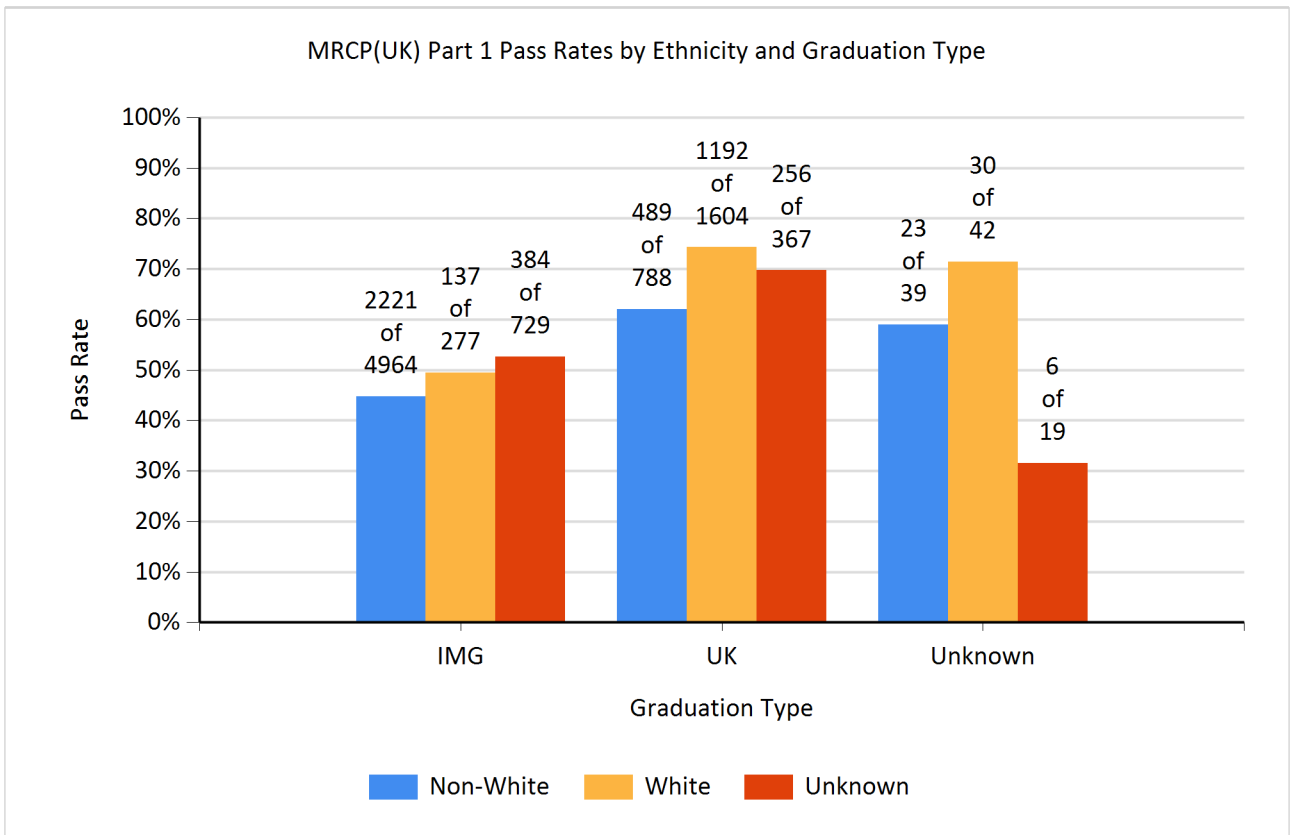
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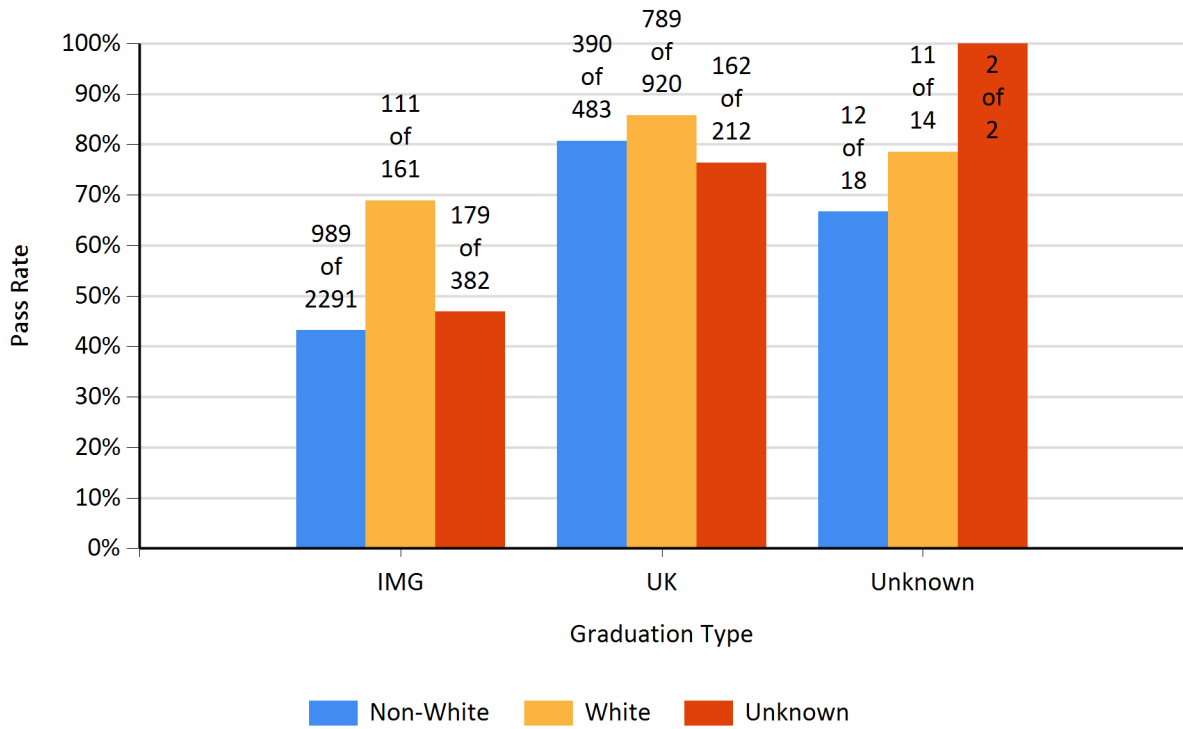
MRCP(UK) Specialty Certificate Examination Pass Rates by Gender and Graduation Type



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