

MRCPUK) Part 2 Written 2017 performance report

The MRCPUK) Part 2 Written examination assesses the ability to apply clinical understanding, make clinical judgements and take responsibility for prioritising diagnostic or problem lists, planning investigation, selecting a plan for immediate management, selecting a plan for long-term management, assessing prognosis. The MRCPUK) Part 2 Written examination can be taken by physicians in training who have passed the MRCPUK) Part 1 Examination. In 2017 (diets 1-3) the Part 2 examination was sat by 5,155 candidates, 2,110 of these declared they were in UK training. Candidates who did not declare their training details are reported as ‘Other candidates’ (3,045).

Pass rate and performance by attempt

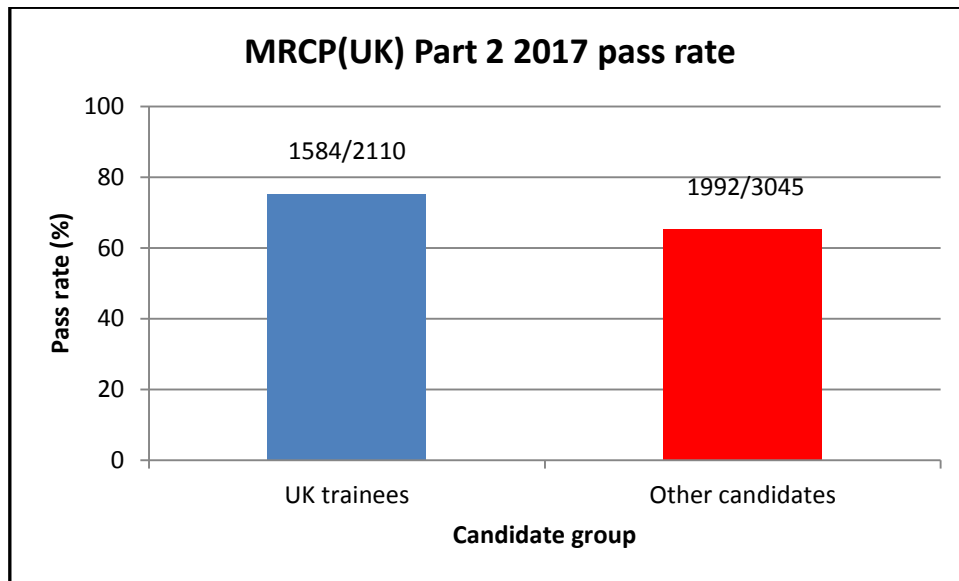


Figure 1. Pass rates for UK trainees and other candidates. Note that training details are self-declared

UK trainees pass rate at first attempt 78.6% (1287/1637).

Other candidates pass rate at first attempt 71.9% (1482/2062).

UK trainees				
Attempt	Pass	Fail	Total	Pass rate (%)
1	1287	350	1637	78.6%
2-6	290	173	463	62.6%
7+	7	3	10	70.0%
Total	1584	526	2110	75.1%

Other candidates				
Attempt	Pass	Fail	Total	Pass rate (%)
1	1482	580	2062	71.9%
2-6	510	456	966	52.8%
7+	0	17	17	0.0%
Total	1992	1053	3045	65.4%

Table 1. Pass/Fail rates by attempt for UK trainees and other candidates. Candidates will be counted multiple times if they have sat on more than one occasion. For example if a candidate failed at the second attempt but passed on the third, they would be in the fail column for the second attempt but pass column for the third attempt.

More information about the limit on the number of attempts can be found on the MRCPUK) website here: <https://www.mrcpuk.org/mrcpuk-examinations/regulations/limit-attempts>

Percentage score by topic

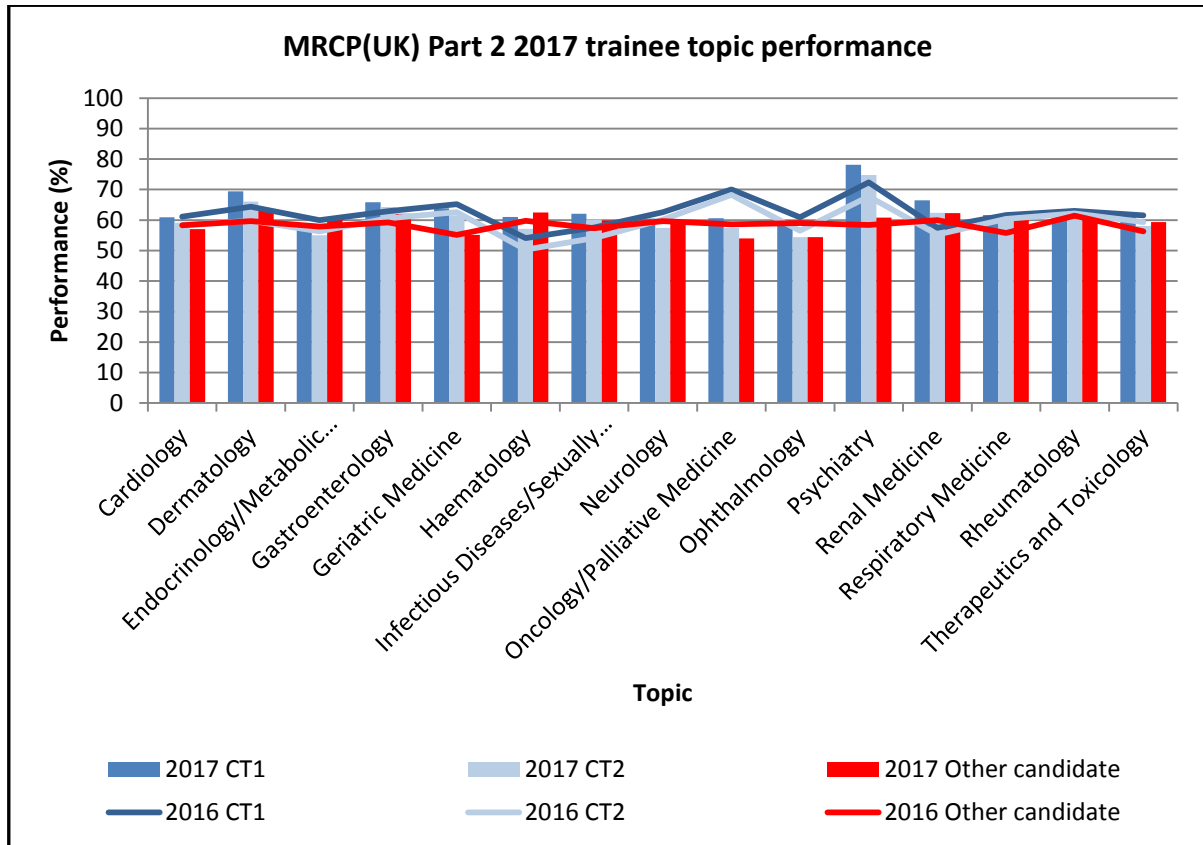


Figure 2. Performance by topic for CT1 and CT2 UK trainees and other candidates. Note that the percentages are calculated using scores from all attempts made at the examination.

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