

Patient Profile January-October 2011 (elective and non elective inpatients)

Male	Female	Not known
24092	31480	1
43%	57%	0%

White	BME	Not Stated	Not known
49509	1338	3730	996
89.0%	2.3%	6.7%	1.8%

Age	0-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85+	Not specified Unknown
	7347	5341	6368	5079	5565	6843	8059	7338	3509	124
	13%	10%	11%	9%	10%	12%	15%	13%	6%	1%

This profile is from Dr Foster and reflects inpatient episodes between January and October 2011 and shows sex, age and ethnicity as these are collected routinely. The data shows a lower than expected proportion of patients from a BME background (6.6% of the population of Plymouth are from a BME background) and also a lower percentage of white patients. This is reflected in the high proportion of patients where ethnicity is either not stated or not known which would suggest that the question is not being asked, or not being asked in an effective way. The Trust will be undertaking development work to both increase the capacity for collecting data about the protected characteristics on some systems and also to give people the necessary skills to ask the questions appropriately.