# Ethnic Group Fertility Rates for London using HES

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## Why Use HES

 Increasing numbers of second generation ethnic minorities born in UK weakened the validity of this link.

- Aim to use ethnicity of mother from HES as a much stronger indicator.
- HES, theoretically, provides direct information about mother's ethnic group and age and the baby.

#### What is HES?

- HES is a secure record-level database of Hospital Episode Statistics.
- Covers all NHS Trusts in England but excludes private hospitals.
- Originally restricted to hospital admitted patient care, now includes out-patient care.
- Contains over 160 information fields (input data plus derived).
- 2002/2003 extract for Greater London contains 1.8 million patient records.

## **HES Fields for Fertility**

- ADMISSION METHOD: Emergency; Maternity; Hospital
   Transfer; Other (birth).
- EPISODE TYPE: **Delivery**; Birth; Other delivery; Other birth.
- ETHNIC GROUP: Ethnic group of patient.
- LOCAL AUTHORITY DISTRICT: LA of residence of patient.
- SEX: Gender of patient.
- AGE AT START OF EPISODE: Age of patient on admission (whole years).

#### **Data Issues**

- HES database was not designed for demographic modelling purposes.
- Most recent annual extract accessed in collaboration with the London Health Observatory runs from April 2002 – March 2003.
- ONS births data (Vital Statistics VS1, and Births statistics) is for calendar year 2002.
- Female base populations are for 2001 Census, grossed to 2001 MYE.
- 2001 Census Ethnic Categories introduced April
   2001, but still not used 100% by March 2003

#### **Live Births**

## HES BIRTHS IN GREATER LONDON (April 2002 – March 2003) BY LOCAL AUTHORITY CODE OF RESIDENCE

F RESIDENCE	TOTAL BIRTHS	TOTAL BIRTHS BY STATED ETHNICITY OF BABY	% BIRTHS BY STATED ETHNICITY OF BABY
Total	109,143	48,651	44.58
2001	87,432	47,709	43.71
1991	21,711	942	0.86
2001	13,265	8,121	7.44 (61.2)
1991	4,872	3	0.00
2001	314	165	0.15
1991	282	1	0.00
2001	73,853	39,423	36.12
1991	16,557	938	0.86
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Note: In HES the patient in a birth episode is the baby

#### **Deliveries - 1**

## HES DELIVERIES IN GREATER LONDON (April 2002 – March 2003) BY LOCAL AUTHORITY CODE OF RESIDENCE

LOCAL AUTHOR RESIDENCE OF N	_	TOTAL DELIVERIES	TOTAL DELIVERIES BY STATED ETHNICITY OF MOTHER	% DELIVERIES BY STATED ETHNICITY OF MOTHER
	Total	106,261	79,615	74.92
All Codes	2001	95,769	74,691	70.29
	1991	10,492	4,924	4.63
London Codes	2001	89,547	69,757	65.65 (77.9)
	1991	9,915	4,652	4.38
Nonlandon	2001	5,275	4,168	3.92
Non-London	1991	512	233	0.22
Not Known	2001	947	766	0.72
	1991	65	39	0.04
Note	Note: In HES the patient in a delivery episode is the mother			

**Data Management and Analysis** 

### **Deliveries - 2**

HES DELIVERIES FOR LONDON RESIDENCE BY AGE GROUP OF MOTHER (April 2002 – March 2003)

AGE GROUP OF MOTHER		TOTAL DELIVERIES	TOTAL DELIVERIES BY STATED ETHNICITY OF MOTHER	% DELIVERIES BY STATED ETHNICITY OF MOTHER
	Total	99,462	74,409	74.81
All Ages	2001	89,547	69,757	70.13
	1991	9,915	4,652	4.68
10 - 49	2001	89,097	69,445	69.82 (77.9)
10 - 49	1991	9,811	4,650	4.68
Other Ages	2001	450	312	0.31
	1991	104	2	0.00

Note: In HES the patient in a delivery episode is the mother

#### **ONS Vital Statistics - 1**

#### **GREATER LONDON – MATERNITIES AND BIRTHS IN 2001**

(FROM ONS VITAL STATISTICS – VS2)

EVENT TYPE	OCCURRENCE		
All Maternities	103,143		
Live Births	104,162 *		
(difference)	(1,019)		
Ratio: Live Births/Maternities	1.0099		
Multiple Maternities	1590		
Still Births	620		

\* 105,603 in 2002

**Assumption: MATERNITY -> DELIVERY -> BIRTH.** 

Can initially assume that 1 Delivery = 1 Live Birth.

#### **ONS Vital Statistics - 2**

#### **GREATER LONDON - LIVE BIRTHS IN 2002**

(FROM ONS VITAL STATISTICS – VS1)

PLACE OF CONFINEMENT	LIVE BIRTHS
Total	105,603
NHS	101,265
Non-NHS	2,231
At Home	2,000
Elsewhere	107

Assumption: Sample of 69,445 HES deliveries by stated mother's ethnicity and age 10 - 49 yrs relates to the 101,265 NHS births. **Initially assume the HES sample represents all 105,603 births (65.8% sample).** 

## Methodology

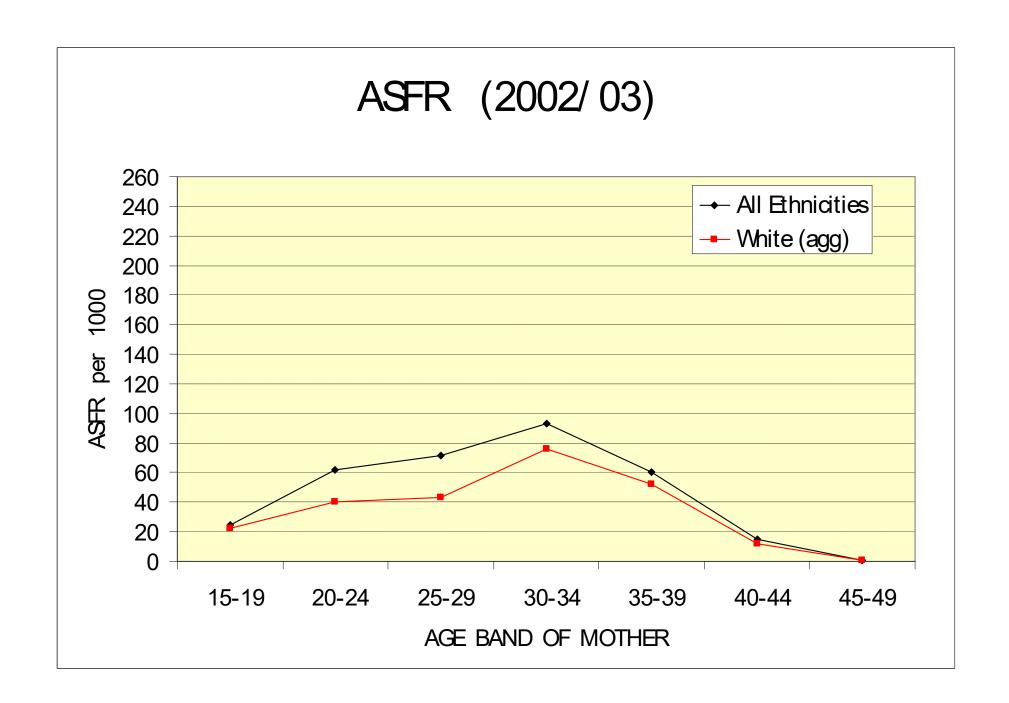
- HES deliveries for 2002/03 provide a structure by 5-year Age Band and 2001 Census Ethnicity coding of mother for 69,445 births.
- Use ONS/HES Age Band birth ratios to gross up and estimate Age/Ethnicity structure for all 105,603 births in 2002.
- Reduce Ethnicity structure from sixteen to ten groups by aggregation.
- Obtain 5-year Age Band by 2001 Ethnic Category female populations from ONS Census Table ST101, gross to 2001 MYE, and reduce to ten ethnic groups by aggregation.
- Derive ASFR by 5-year Age Band and aggregated ethnic group.
- Derive TPFR by aggregated ethnic group.

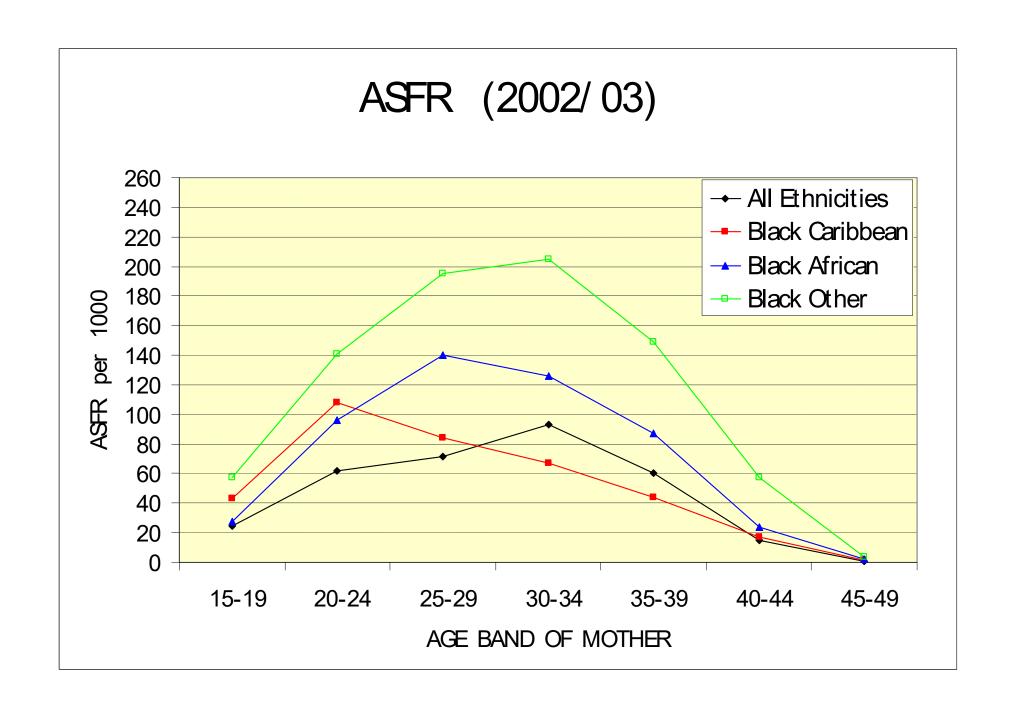
#### Birth Structure By Age of Mother – 2002/03

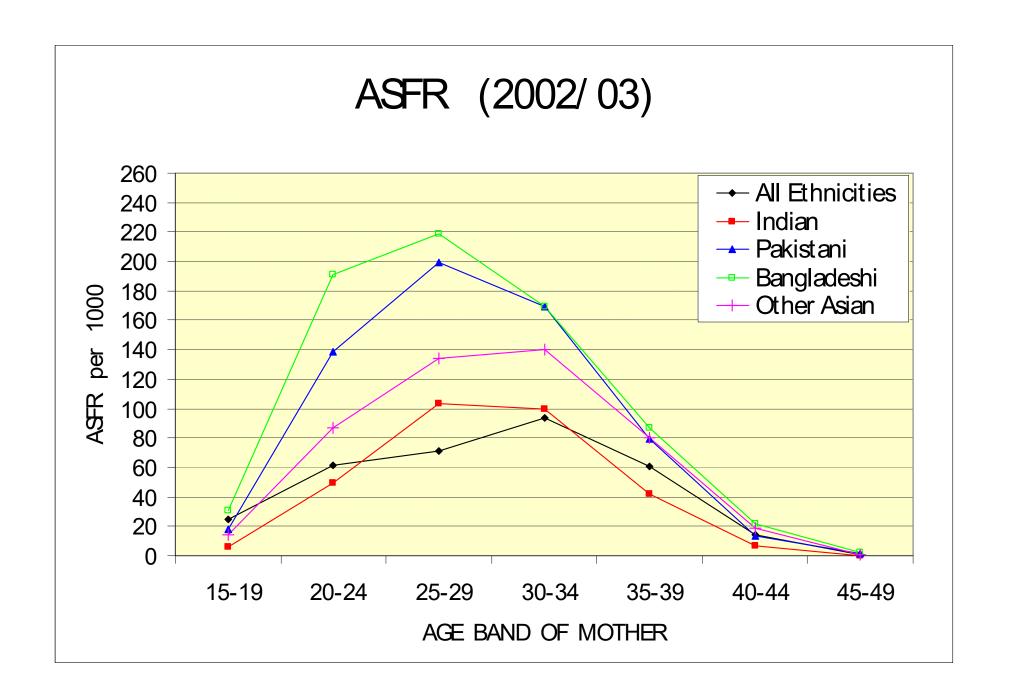
AGE OF MOTHER	ONS LIVE BIRTHS (from Births statistics for 2002)	HES DELIVERIES IN 2002/03 (2001 codes only)	RATIO ONS/HES	
All ages	105,603	69,445	1.52	
15 – 19 *	5,232	3,427	1.53	
20 - 24	16,957	11,676	1.45	
25 - 29	25,798	17,727	1.46	
30 - 34	33,526	21,369	1.57	
35 - 39	19,903	12,504	1.59	
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* Including 10 - 14				

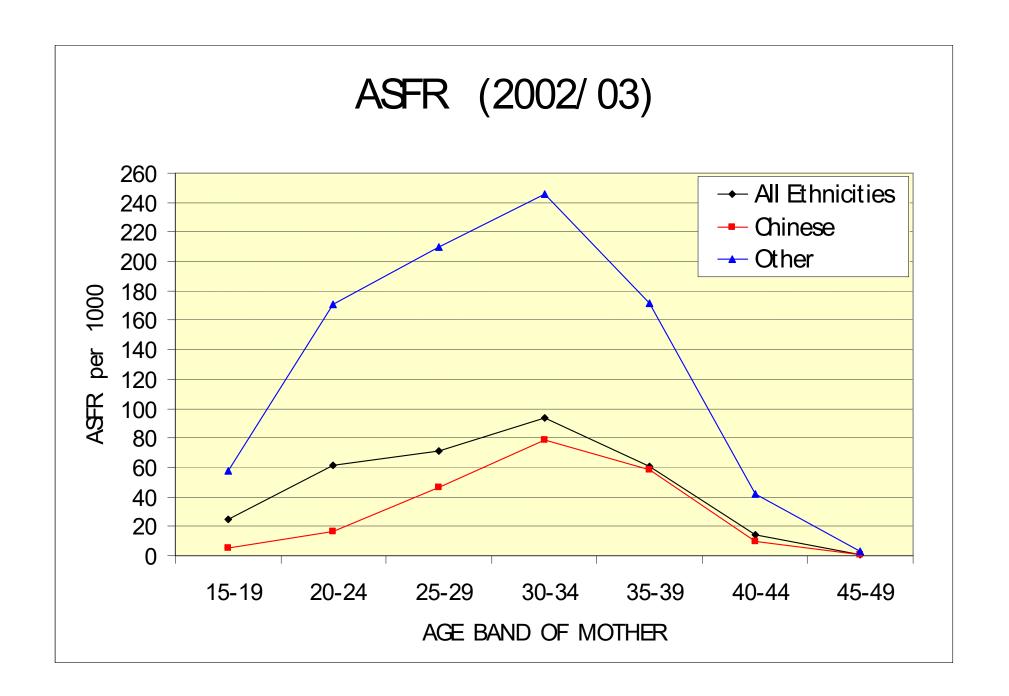
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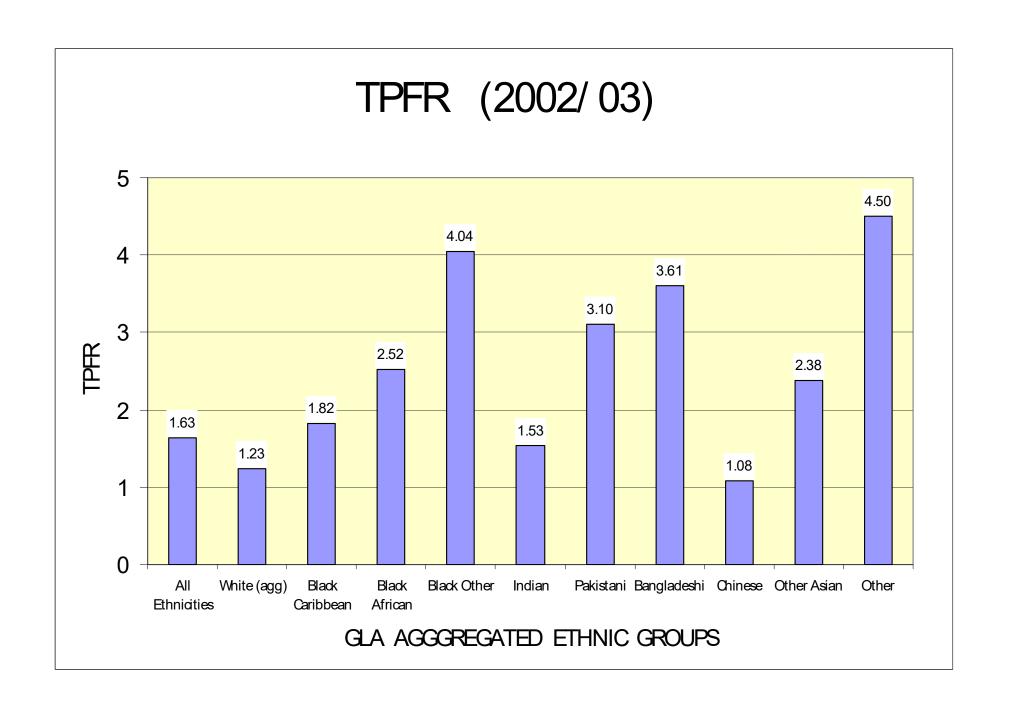
FEM 15-49	AGG. GROUPS	2001 CATEGORIES	FEM 15-49
1,374,402	WHITE	WHITE: BRITISH	1,098,273
		WHITE: IRISH	56,124
		WHITE: OTHER	220,004
115,133	BLACK CARIBBEAN	BLACK OR BLACK BRITISH: CARIBBEAN	115,133
127,591	BLACK AFRICAN	BLACK OR BLACK BRITISH: AFRICAN	127,591
44,705	BLACK OTHER	BLACK OR BLACK BRITISH: OTHER BLACK	18,713
		MIXED: WHITE & BLACK CARIBBEAN	16,247
		MIXED: WHITE & BLACK AFRICAN	9,745
134,556	INDIAN	ASIAN OR ASIAN BRITISH: INDIAN	134,556
41,342	PAKISTANI	ASIAN OR ASIAN BRITISH: PAKISTANI	41,342
43,339	BANGLADESHI	ASIAN OR ASIAN BRITISH: BANGLADESHI	43,339
29,328	CHINESE	CHINESE OR OTHER: CHINESE	29,328
51,698	OTHER ASIAN *	MIXED: WHITE & ASIAN	15,295
		ASIAN OR ASIAN BRITISH: OTHER ASIAN	36,403
58,414	OTHER *	MIXED: OTHER MIXED	17,074
		CHINESE OR OTHER: OTHER	41,341











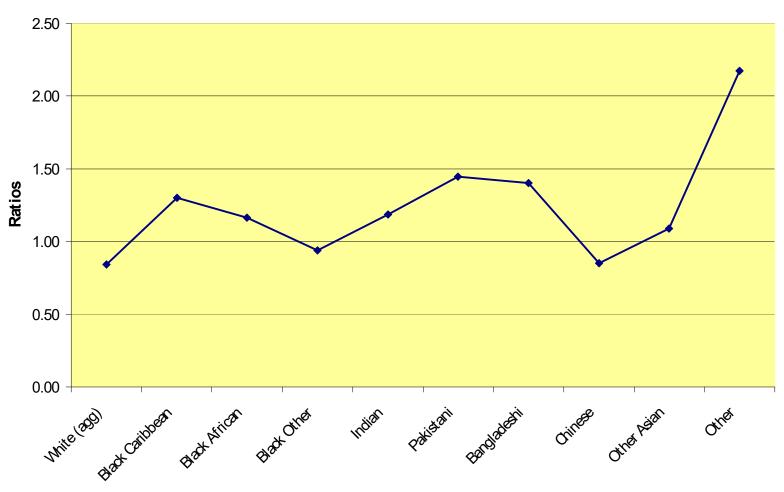
## **Summary of Results**

Aggregated groups	PEAK ASFR		GFR*	TPFR**
(GLA projections)	VALUE	AGE GROUP		
ALL ETHNICITIES	93	30 - 34	52	1.63
WHITE	76	30 - 34	39	1.23
BLACK CARIBBEAN	108	20 - 24	50	1.82
BLACK AFRICAN	140	25 - 29	83	2.52
BLACK OTHER	205	30 - 34	130	4.04
INDIAN	103	25 - 29	47	1.53
PAKISTANI	199	25 - 29	101	3.10
BANGLADESHI	218	25 - 29	126	3.61
CHINESE	79	30 - 34	32	1.08
OTHER ASIAN	140	30 - 34	75	2.38
OTHER	245	30 - 34	144	4.50
* births per 1000 women aged 15-49		** births per w	oman over her li	ifetime

### QA

Application of rates to Census population –
 no. of births as proxy for <1</li>

# Ratios between HES estimated Births and Census 0 year olds



#### **Future Work**

 Use 2002/2003 HES data for births in conjunction with ONS Commissioned Tables to investigate link between ethnicities of mother and child.