Reviewer's report

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In the revised manuscript and responses to the comments, Simonella et al have provided adequate explanations and additional information. Just two issues related to the previous comments remain outstanding for clarification:

1) The request for demographics and ethnic composition of the whole country was requested not for comparison to the study group but rather as information to the reader on what the demographic and ethnic composition of the county is to obtain a picture of the whole country's make up. I still believe that this would provide insight for the readers.

2) The ratio that is calculated in Table 1 and defined in the footnote was chosen by the authors because this is a "highly appropriate comparative metric". Suggest providing a reference if the ratio is highly appropriate.

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Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests’ above.