Sex, area background and ethnic group

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Cycle years: 2012 - 2017

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Applicant statistics: June deadline applicants, placed June deadline applicants, all placed applicants, June deadline applicants per 10,000 population, placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population, all placed applicants per 10,000 population

Application statistics: June deadline applications, offers, offer rate, average offer rate, percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate, contribution of group to the average offer rate

Non-disclosure controls: To avoid the disclosure of information about any individual the following measures are taken
- Applicants, placed applicants, applications and offers are rounded to the nearest 5.
- Applicants/placed applicants per 10,000 population figures are reported as 0 if the applicant/placed applicant figures are rounded to 0.
- All statistics related to the offer rate are not reported when the number of applications for a group is less than 10. The percentage point difference between the offer rate and the average offer rate is not reported when the number of applications for a group is less than 50.
- Offer rates are reported as 0% if there are fewer than 5 offers, and 100% if the number of offers is within 5 of the number of applications. When the offer rate is reported as 0% or 100%, it is reported in italics.

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P.1 18 year old applicants

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	3,275	3,305	3,130	3,490	3,660	3,235
Placed June deadline applicants	630	665	705	740	965	785
All placed applicants	760	780	825	840	1,050	880
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	42.4	43.4	41.5	45.6	48.8	43.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	8.1	8.7	9.4	9.7	12.8	10.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	9.8	10.3	10.9	11.0	14.0	11.9

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	3,555	3,590	3,495	3,955	4,405	3,890
Offers	2,870	3,110	3,055	3,450	3,955	3,460
Offer rate	80.6%	86.5%	87.4%	87.2%	89.8%	88.9%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	1,545	1,575	1,570	1,750	2,080	2,030
	Women	1,735	1,730	1,555	1,740	1,580	1,205
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	325	350	395	430	650	580
	Women	300	315	310	310	315	205
All placed applicants	Men	395	400	445	480	700	640
	Women	365	385	375	360	345	240
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	38.9	40.4	40.6	44.5	54.2	53.4
	Women	46.0	46.7	42.5	46.6	43.2	33.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	8.2	9.0	10.2	10.9	16.9	15.2
	Women	8.0	8.4	8.5	8.3	8.6	5.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	10.0	10.2	11.5	12.3	18.3	16.9
	Women	9.6	10.3	10.3	9.6	9.5	6.6

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	1,715	1,775	1,840	2,100	2,710	2,600
	Women	1,845	1,820	1,655	1,855	1,695	1,290
Offers	Men	1,485	1,635	1,750	1,935	2,545	2,460
	Women	1,380	1,470	1,305	1,515	1,410	1,000
Offer rate	Men	86.8%	92.3%	95.1%	92.1%	93.9%	94.6%
	Women	74.9%	80.9%	78.9%	81.7%	83.3%	77.4%
Average offer rate	Men	86.0%	91.8%	94.4%	92.4%	93.7%	94.6%
	Women	75.7%	81.4%	79.7%	81.4%	83.6%	77.4%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	0.8	0.5	0.7	-0.3	0.2	-0.0
	Women	-0.7	-0.5	-0.8	0.3	-0.3	0.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.644	0.656	0.679	0.702	0.750	0.811
	Women	0.669	0.664	0.642	0.663	0.600	0.619

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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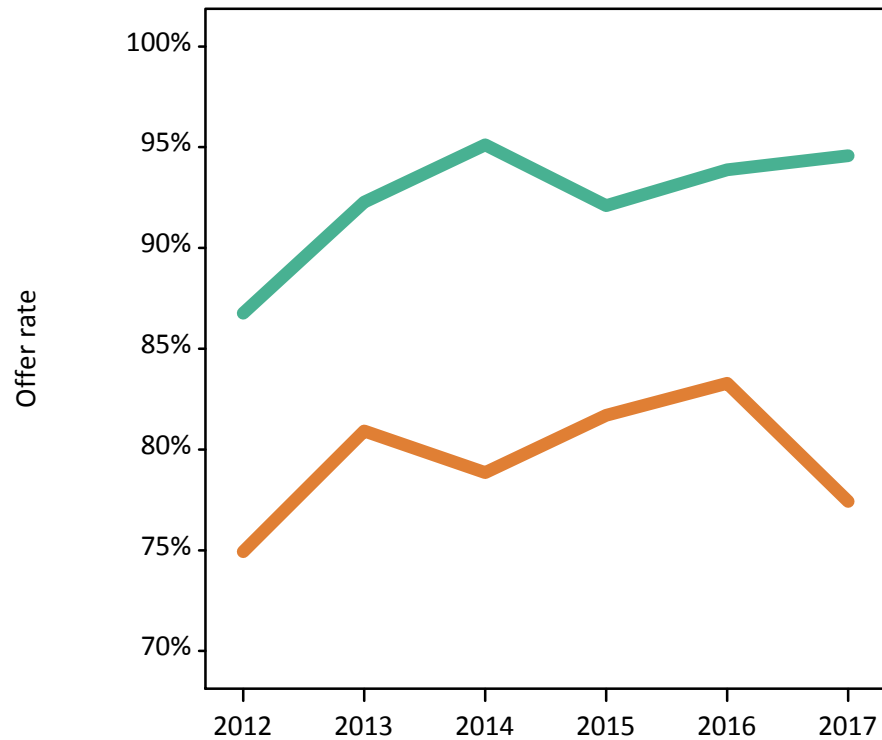
P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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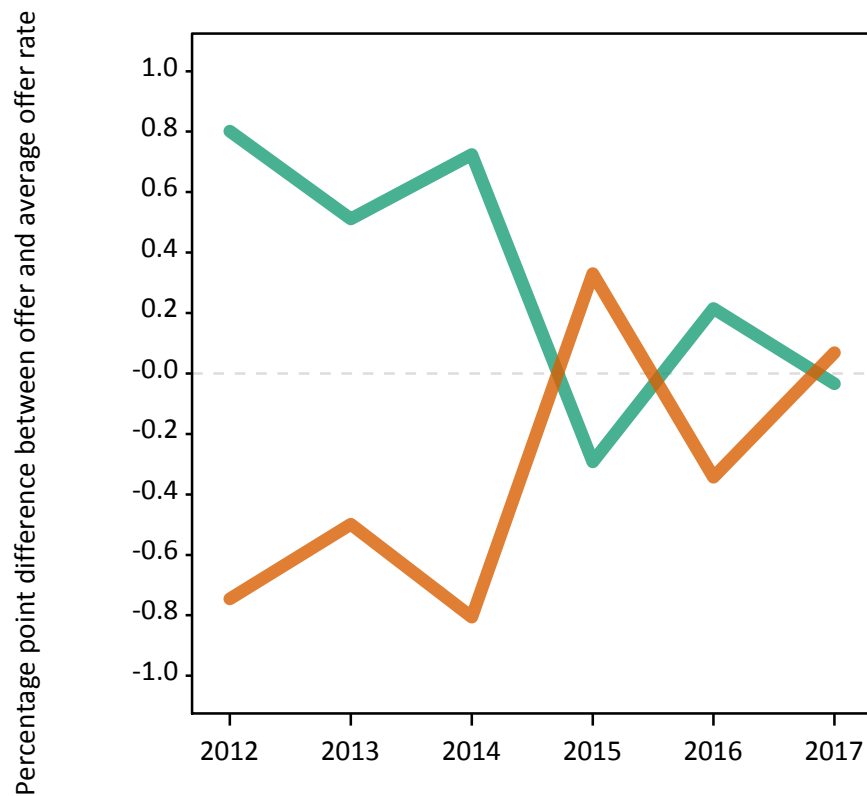
P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	365	390	390	430	465	400
	Quintile 2	550	560	550	620	660	580
	Quintile 3	755	705	675	740	830	765
	Quintile 4	790	855	820	900	875	730
	Quintile 5	810	795	680	790	825	745
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	70	75	85	85	130	80
	Quintile 2	115	90	125	125	180	140
	Quintile 3	125	160	135	145	215	190
	Quintile 4	140	165	200	195	230	190
	Quintile 5	175	175	160	190	210	185
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	80	85	100	100	140	80
	Quintile 2	130	105	150	130	190	165
	Quintile 3	160	185	160	170	235	215
	Quintile 4	185	200	230	225	250	210
	Quintile 5	205	200	185	215	235	205
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	25.8	27.9	28.1	30.6	34.5	30.0
	Quintile 2	36.6	37.9	37.5	41.6	45.5	40.9
	Quintile 3	48.8	46.2	45.0	48.3	55.2	51.4
	Quintile 4	49.8	54.7	53.1	57.5	56.6	47.9
	Quintile 5	48.2	48.0	41.8	47.2	49.9	45.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	5.1	5.4	6.2	6.0	9.5	5.9
	Quintile 2	7.7	6.1	8.5	8.3	12.4	10.0
	Quintile 3	8.2	10.4	9.0	9.6	14.2	12.6
	Quintile 4	8.9	10.4	12.9	12.5	14.8	12.4
	Quintile 5	10.3	10.6	9.8	11.2	12.7	11.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	5.8	6.2	7.3	7.0	10.2	5.9
	Quintile 2	8.7	7.2	10.3	8.9	13.2	11.5
	Quintile 3	10.2	12.3	10.5	10.9	15.6	14.5
	Quintile 4	11.7	12.7	14.8	14.4	16.1	13.9
	Quintile 5	12.1	12.2	11.3	12.8	14.2	12.5

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	405	420	435	495	605	475
	Quintile 2	605	600	610	705	810	705
	Quintile 3	820	765	745	820	980	905
	Quintile 4	845	935	915	1,030	1,045	875
	Quintile 5	875	865	780	895	955	920
Offers	Quintile 1	315	360	360	415	555	415
	Quintile 2	485	525	530	625	740	640
	Quintile 3	655	660	650	715	860	805
	Quintile 4	680	805	800	890	935	770
	Quintile 5	730	755	705	795	865	815
Offer rate	Quintile 1	77.6%	85.7%	82.6%	83.9%	91.6%	87.4%
	Quintile 2	80.3%	87.2%	87.2%	88.9%	91.0%	90.8%
	Quintile 3	79.9%	86.1%	87.2%	87.1%	87.8%	89.3%
	Quintile 4	80.3%	86.1%	87.5%	86.2%	89.4%	88.0%
	Quintile 5	83.4%	87.2%	90.2%	88.8%	90.3%	88.7%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	79.6%	85.1%	85.1%	85.3%	90.4%	88.1%
	Quintile 2	80.2%	86.1%	86.7%	86.6%	90.5%	89.7%
	Quintile 3	81.0%	86.0%	87.0%	87.6%	88.3%	88.6%
	Quintile 4	80.9%	86.2%	87.7%	86.9%	90.0%	88.8%
	Quintile 5	81.0%	88.2%	89.3%	88.6%	90.3%	89.1%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-2.0	0.6	-2.6	-1.4	1.2	-0.8
	Quintile 2	0.0	1.1	0.5	2.3	0.5	1.1
	Quintile 3	-1.1	0.2	0.3	-0.6	-0.5	0.7
	Quintile 4	-0.6	-0.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.6	-0.7
	Quintile 5	2.5	-1.1	0.9	0.2	-0.0	-0.4
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.219	0.199	0.210	0.209	0.203	0.196
	Quintile 2	0.273	0.245	0.266	0.260	0.262	0.268
	Quintile 3	0.314	0.298	0.296	0.273	0.299	0.311
	Quintile 4	0.326	0.339	0.339	0.332	0.303	0.299
	Quintile 5	0.352	0.338	0.333	0.305	0.295	0.341

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile
Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.

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- Quintile 4
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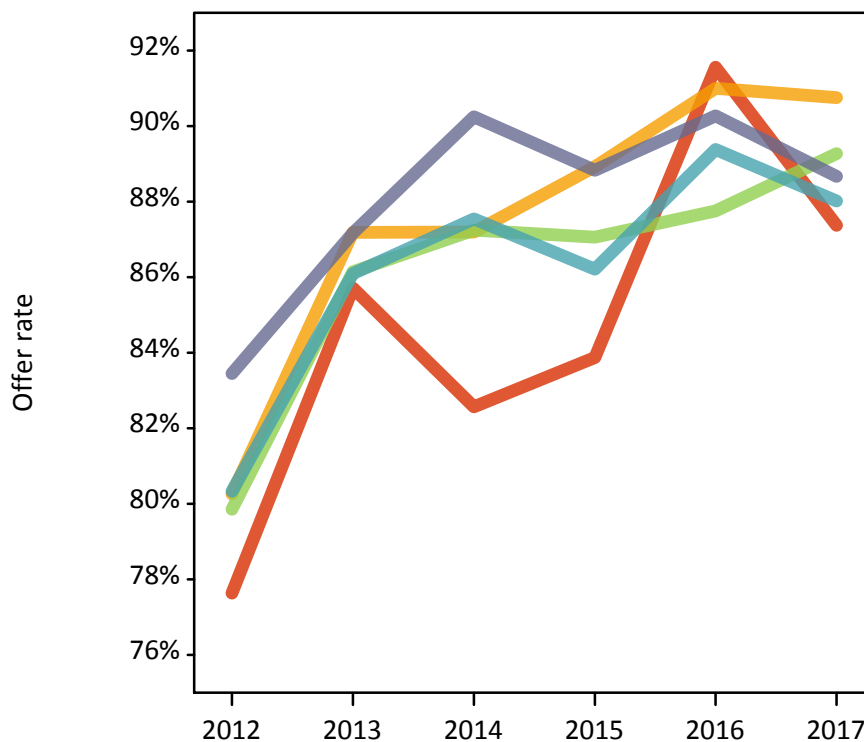
P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile
Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.

- Quintile 1
- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5

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P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	245	300	315	330	340	305
	Black	285	295	295	320	295	260
	Mixed	135	130	135	180	175	160
	White	2,565	2,545	2,340	2,595	2,785	2,455
	Other	35	30	40	50	55	40
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	45	50	60	55	70	60
	Black	65	45	45	40	45	50
	Mixed	30	25	35	35	40	45
	White	480	535	555	595	790	620
	Other	10	10	10	10	10	10
All placed applicants	Asian	75	70	80	65	85	75
	Black	85	75	60	55	60	60
	Mixed	35	30	40	45	45	50
	White	550	590	625	655	840	680
	Other	10	10	10	15	10	15
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	38.0	45.8	46.2	46.9	47.0	41.7
	Black	101.2	99.0	97.3	100.8	93.6	82.0
	Mixed	52.2	47.7	46.2	58.7	55.3	49.2
	White	39.7	40.4	37.9	41.7	46.0	41.4
	Other	41.8	34.2	43.0	52.9	55.3	40.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	6.8	7.7	9.0	7.8	9.7	8.2
	Black	22.7	15.5	14.2	13.2	15.0	15.3
	Mixed	11.1	8.9	12.2	11.7	13.3	13.7
	White	7.4	8.5	9.0	9.5	13.1	10.5
	Other	12.4	8.8	10.7	11.4	9.0	8.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	11.3	10.5	11.8	9.5	12.1	10.5
	Black	30.2	25.3	19.1	17.6	19.2	18.7
	Mixed	13.4	11.8	13.2	13.9	14.0	15.3
	White	8.5	9.4	10.1	10.5	13.9	11.4
	Other	13.6	8.8	10.7	15.6	9.0	12.6

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	255	320	335	350	380	330
	Black	300	310	305	350	320	280
	Mixed	145	140	140	195	210	195
	White	2,805	2,785	2,665	3,000	3,415	3,020
	Other	40	35	40	55	60	50
Offers	Asian	200	275	280	290	340	290
	Black	225	245	245	280	265	225
	Mixed	110	115	120	180	180	175
	White	2,285	2,440	2,380	2,650	3,115	2,715
	Other	35	30	30	45	45	40
Offer rate	Asian	78.3%	86.0%	83.3%	83.1%	88.7%	87.0%
	Black	75.4%	78.7%	79.4%	79.7%	82.3%	80.3%
	Mixed	76.2%	82.6%	84.5%	91.3%	87.5%	88.3%
	White	81.5%	87.7%	89.3%	88.2%	91.2%	90.0%
	Other	*100.0%*	84.8%	71.4%	88.7%	70.5%	85.7%
Average offer rate	Asian	80.5%	86.1%	84.2%	83.8%	86.9%	85.9%
	Black	78.3%	81.2%	80.5%	82.9%	85.0%	80.4%
	Mixed	78.9%	86.7%	84.8%	88.7%	88.7%	89.5%
	White	80.9%	87.2%	88.9%	88.0%	90.8%	90.0%
	Other	87.0%	82.8%	77.6%	88.8%	83.8%	86.7%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-2.1	-0.1	-0.9	-0.7	1.9	1.1
	Black	-2.9	-2.5	-1.1	-3.2	-2.7	-0.1
	Mixed	-2.7	-4.0	-0.3	2.6	-1.2	-1.1
	White	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4	-0.0
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	-0.1	-13.3	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.221	0.243	0.255	0.261	0.252	0.281
	Black	0.198	0.207	0.209	0.213	0.180	0.186
	Mixed	0.126	0.136	0.179	0.127	0.120	0.128
	White	0.823	0.819	0.812	0.804	0.816	0.819
	Other	0.092	0.137	0.100	0.086	0.089	0.088

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group
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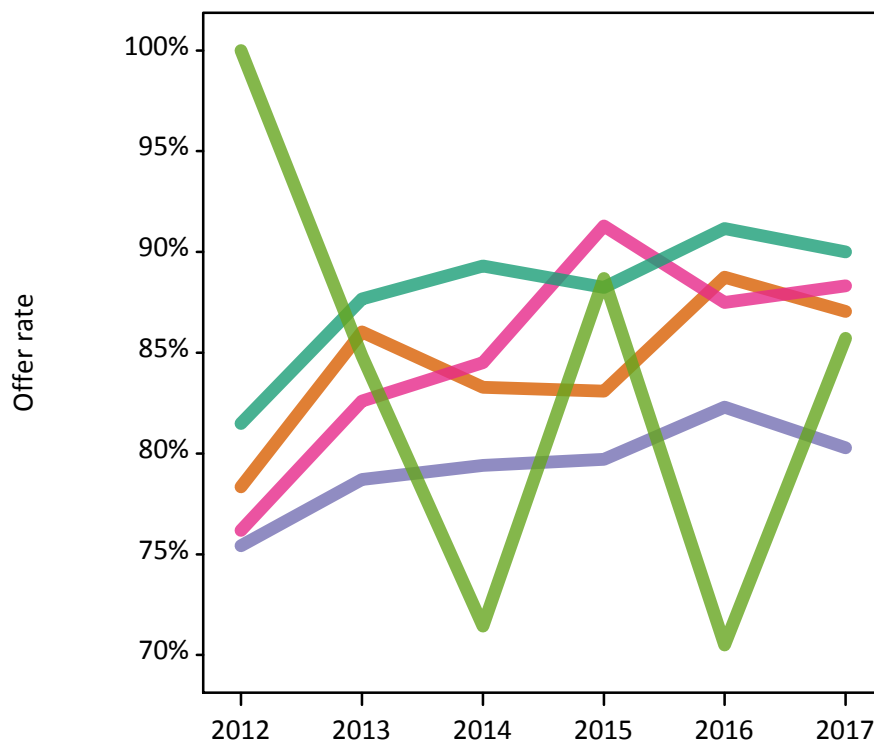
P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group
Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.

P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	8,570	8,775	9,005	8,945	9,390	8,205
Placed June deadline applicants	1,765	1,715	1,720	1,755	2,085	1,975
All placed applicants	2,250	2,135	2,175	2,165	2,505	2,675

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	9,315	9,480	9,875	9,930	10,735	9,435
Offers	5,725	6,295	6,145	6,420	7,205	6,655
Offer rate	61.4%	66.4%	62.2%	64.6%	67.1%	70.6%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	3,485	3,490	3,570	3,790	4,160	4,005
	Women	5,080	5,290	5,435	5,155	5,235	4,195
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	765	770	835	875	1,135	1,155
	Women	1,000	945	890	880	945	820
All placed applicants	Men	1,030	945	1,035	1,070	1,335	1,550
	Women	1,220	1,195	1,140	1,095	1,170	1,125

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	3,890	3,885	4,110	4,435	5,145	4,955
	Women	5,425	5,590	5,765	5,500	5,590	4,480
Offers	Men	2,745	3,045	3,190	3,355	4,050	4,145
	Women	2,980	3,250	2,950	3,065	3,155	2,510
Offer rate	Men	70.5%	78.4%	77.7%	75.6%	78.7%	83.7%
	Women	54.9%	58.1%	51.2%	55.8%	56.5%	56.0%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,000	970	1,105	1,110	1,155	960
	Quintile 2	1,415	1,495	1,535	1,550	1,565	1,460
	Quintile 3	1,935	2,020	2,025	2,005	2,210	1,995
	Quintile 4	2,110	2,185	2,280	2,190	2,325	1,965
	Quintile 5	2,085	2,080	2,030	2,065	2,100	1,785
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	205	160	190	195	255	195
	Quintile 2	295	265	305	285	365	325
	Quintile 3	360	390	355	385	465	495
	Quintile 4	425	420	455	435	500	520
	Quintile 5	475	480	410	455	495	430
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	245	190	240	245	285	240
	Quintile 2	365	330	365	330	430	450
	Quintile 3	475	490	450	480	585	695
	Quintile 4	565	530	575	545	605	715
	Quintile 5	595	590	535	560	585	565

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,095	1,055	1,200	1,225	1,365	1,105
	Quintile 2	1,535	1,610	1,675	1,695	1,815	1,685
	Quintile 3	2,115	2,160	2,205	2,205	2,505	2,250
	Quintile 4	2,270	2,370	2,515	2,455	2,655	2,245
	Quintile 5	2,270	2,260	2,250	2,315	2,365	2,115
Offers	Quintile 1	670	700	710	775	950	785
	Quintile 2	955	1,070	1,085	1,115	1,240	1,220
	Quintile 3	1,260	1,370	1,310	1,365	1,600	1,545
	Quintile 4	1,360	1,585	1,555	1,590	1,765	1,570
	Quintile 5	1,470	1,555	1,465	1,555	1,625	1,515
Offer rate	Quintile 1	61.0%	66.3%	59.4%	63.2%	69.7%	71.1%
	Quintile 2	62.0%	66.6%	64.8%	65.6%	68.3%	72.4%
	Quintile 3	59.5%	63.3%	59.4%	61.9%	63.8%	68.5%
	Quintile 4	60.0%	66.8%	61.9%	64.7%	66.6%	70.0%
	Quintile 5	64.7%	68.8%	65.1%	67.3%	68.8%	71.6%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	930	1,085	1,100	1,120	1,215	1,060
	Black	2,020	2,085	2,410	2,245	2,365	2,105
	Mixed	355	355	375	425	430	360
	White	5,075	5,080	4,895	4,895	5,105	4,450
	Other	145	130	155	180	190	145
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	205	200	190	195	235	240
	Black	325	270	270	270	315	390
	Mixed	80	80	85	75	85	85
	White	1,115	1,140	1,135	1,170	1,390	1,210
	Other	30	25	30	30	35	30
All placed applicants	Asian	300	270	265	260	310	480
	Black	445	385	375	360	415	530
	Mixed	100	105	100	105	100	100
	White	1,320	1,295	1,310	1,325	1,525	1,480
	Other	40	30	40	45	40	40

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	1,005	1,155	1,190	1,195	1,355	1,155
	Black	2,145	2,210	2,540	2,375	2,505	2,225
	Mixed	395	380	415	470	480	425
	White	5,570	5,550	5,495	5,615	6,090	5,370
	Other	155	145	165	195	210	170
Offers	Asian	585	740	695	705	810	765
	Black	765	815	850	840	985	975
	Mixed	240	255	280	330	335	315
	White	4,005	4,375	4,205	4,390	4,910	4,430
	Other	105	90	90	115	120	115
Offer rate	Asian	58.4%	64.2%	58.3%	58.8%	59.9%	66.3%
	Black	35.7%	36.8%	33.4%	35.5%	39.3%	43.8%
	Mixed	60.1%	66.6%	68.1%	70.0%	69.4%	74.2%
	White	71.9%	78.8%	76.6%	78.2%	80.6%	82.6%
	Other	66.9%	62.9%	53.9%	59.0%	58.2%	67.5%

Technical Notes and Definitions

UCAS undergraduate scheme

Adjustment
Adjustment allows applicants who have met and exceeded the terms of their conditional firm offer to seek and find a place at another provider whilst keeping their place at their original firm choice provider.

Clearing
Clearing is a route for applicants that are not placed and holding no offers to find a place on courses with vacancies.

Cycle year
The UCAS application cycle which runs from September to October the following year. For example the 2017 cycle runs from September 2016 through to October 2017.

End of cycle
The point in the cycle to which the numbers in this report refer, and the point at which the cycle is closed such that no more applications or offers can be made, and no more applicants can be placed. Numbers reported at the end of cycle exclude information on a small number of applicants who cancelled during the cycle.

Extra
Applicants who are unsuccessful in obtaining an offer or decline all offers may be eligible to apply through Extra, where they can apply to one further course at a time. Extra operates from 25 February until early July. It provides applicants who are eligible the possibility of obtaining an offer before exam results are published and Clearing starts.

June 30 deadline
The deadline for main scheme applications. Applicants who apply after this date will go directly into Clearing.

Record of Prior Acceptance (RPA)
RPA is an acceptance route used when a provider informs UCAS of applicants it has accepted outside of the normal application process (e.g. individuals who have applied directly to the provider).

Reporting groups

Ethnic group
High level grouping of ethnic origin as declared by the applicant: 'White', 'Black', 'Asian', 'Mixed', 'Other', 'Unknown'. Applicants who declare themselves as 'Unknown' ethnic origin are not reported in these tables, but are included in the associated csv data file.

POLAR3 quintile
Developed by HEFCE, POLAR3 classifies small areas across the UK into five groups according to their level of young participation in Higher Education. Each of these groups represents around 20 per cent of young people and is ranked from Quintile 1 (areas with the lowest young participation rates, considered as the most disadvantaged) to Quintile 5 (highest young participation rates, considered most advantaged). POLAR3 is based on the participation rates of young people between 2005 and 2009 who entered Higher Education between 2005-06 and 2010-11, therefore is most suitable for applicants aged 19 and under. These groups are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant at the time of their application. If a UK postcode is invalid, considered unsafe for measurement or there is no link to Census geography possible then the applicant is not assigned to a quintile. Applicants with no POLAR3 quintile are not reported.

Sex
Sex as declared by the applicant.

Scottish index of multiple deprivation (SIMD) identifies small area concentrations of multiple deprivation across all of Scotland, providing a relative measure of deprivation amongst 6505 small areas (data zones) based on 7 socio-economic domains. These small areas are classified into five groups ranked from Quintile 1 (considered the most deprived) to Quintile 5 (considered least deprived), with equal populations in each quintile. Quintiles are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant, applicants declaring invalid postcodes are classified as 'Not assigned' and are not reported.

SIMD is only defined for applicants domiciled in Scotland, therefore any applicants domiciled outside of Scotland cannot be assigned to an SIMD quintile and so are not reported for this measure.

SIMD is only reported for providers in Scotland. Application and entry rates by SIMD are reported in the 2017 End of Cycle Report and the 2017 cycle January deadline application rate report.

Statistics reported in the tables

All placed applicants
The number of applicants placed for entry into higher education at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA.

All placed applicants per 10,000 population
The number of total UK domiciled 18 year old placed applicants for entry into higher education at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Average offer rate
The offer rate that you might expect if the predicted grades and subject choice of applicants were the only factors that influenced whether an applicant was made an offer by the provider. The average offer rate is calculated by dividing applicants according to their specific combination of grades (for A levels the best three predicted grades are used, for BTECs, International Baccalaureate and Scottish Highers and Advanced Highers, predicted grades along with any grades already achieved upon applying are used) and subject choice. For each combination the number of main scheme offers is divided by the number of main scheme applications, to give an overall offer rate. This is then multiplied by the number of applications made by the group for which the average offer rate is being calculated (for example POLAR3 quintile 1), to give an average number of offers for that group. These average number of offers are then added together across all combinations of predicted grade and subject and divided by the number of main scheme applications from the group to give the average offer rate.

The average offer rate does not attempt to control for any other factors that may play a part in the decision to make an offer, such as the subject of the qualifications studied, their relevance to a course, or the grade in each subject; higher numbers of A levels being studied; the exact profile of grades predicted; personal statements; teacher references; interviews; or any other criteria (such as work experience or portfolios) that may be part of the admissions decision.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Contribution of group to the average offer rate

The way in which the average offer rate is defined means that the pattern of application and offers of a group (for example POLAR3 quintile 1) will always contribute, in part, to the average offer rate for that group. When this contribution is large, the average offer rate will mainly reflect the patterns for the group, meaning that the value of the average offer rate will be similar to the offer rate, the percentage point difference statistic will be small, and any real difference between the offer rate and what might be expected given the predicted grades and subject choices of the applicants will be difficult to detect.

Values of the contribution of group to the average offer rate range between 0 and 1. The closer the value is to 1 the greater the contribution a group makes to its own average offer rate.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Placed June deadline applicants

An applicant who has been placed for entry into higher education at the provider through a June deadline application.

Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old placed June deadline applicants at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their June deadline applications. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider, but for placed June deadline applicants only. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider through a June deadline application.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

June deadline applications

An application (or choice) to a course in higher education to the provider that is made by the June 30 deadline. Each applicant can make up to five choices this way. The number of June deadline applications does not include choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs. Applications made to October deadline courses received after the October deadline are not included in these statistics.

June deadline applicants

The number of applicants that made at least one application to the provider by the June 30 deadline.

June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old June deadline applicants to the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, who applied by the June 30 deadline. It is equivalent to the application rate. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will apply to a provider by the June 30 deadline.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Offers

An offer is defined as a provider's decision in response to an application to offer a place to an applicant, often subject to the applicant satisfying academic and/or other criteria, via a June deadline application (i.e. does not cover choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs).

Offer rate

The number of offers made divided by the number of June deadline applications. This gives the proportion of all June deadline applications to the provider that received an offer.

The offer rate minus the average offer rate.

The percentage point difference can be compared to the expected range of statistical variation resulting from the calculation of the average offer rate using the Average Offer Rate Lookup Table. Where the value of the percentage point difference lies outside of this range, the percentage point difference may be considered to represent a real difference between the offer rate and the average offer rate.

Other definitions

Age

This analysis uses country-specific age definitions that align with the cut off points for school and college cohorts within the different administrations of the UK. For England and Wales, ages are defined on the 31 August, for Northern Ireland on the 1 July and for Scotland on the 28 February the following year. Defining ages in this way matches the assignment of children to school cohorts. For applicants outside of the UK a cohort cut off of 31 August has been used. Numbers for applicants aged 17 and under are included in the tables that report numbers for all age groups. Providers in Scotland typically receive a higher proportion of applicants aged 17 and under compared to providers elsewhere in the UK.

Provider

A higher education provider - a university or college.

UK domiciled

Declared area of permanent residence within England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Applicants from the Channel Islands and Isle of Man are not included.