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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	8,720	8,520	8,195	8,965	9,480	8,970
Placed June deadline applicants	1,710	1,615	1,740	1,880	1,915	1,765
All placed applicants	1,980	1,825	1,935	2,090	2,110	1,925
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	112.7	112.0	108.8	117.0	126.4	121.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	22.1	21.2	23.1	24.6	25.5	23.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	25.6	24.0	25.7	27.3	28.2	26.0

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	9,605	9,390	9,045	9,820	10,320	9,925
Offers	6,380	6,680	6,500	7,200	7,870	7,815
Offer rate	66.4%	71.1%	71.9%	73.3%	76.3%	78.7%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	2,605	2,600	2,380	2,730	2,870	2,665
	Women	6,110	5,920	5,815	6,235	6,610	6,305
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	575	555	590	665	660	580
	Women	1,135	1,060	1,145	1,215	1,255	1,185
All placed applicants	Men	670	620	640	735	700	625
	Women	1,310	1,205	1,295	1,355	1,410	1,300
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	65.7	66.6	61.5	69.6	74.7	70.1
population	Women	162.1	159.7	158.9	166.8	180.9	174.6
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	14.5	14.2	15.3	17.0	17.1	15.2
10,000 population	Women	30.1	28.6	31.3	32.5	34.3	32.8
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	16.9	15.9	16.6	18.8	18.2	16.5
population	Women	34.7	32.5	35.4	36.3	38.6	36.0

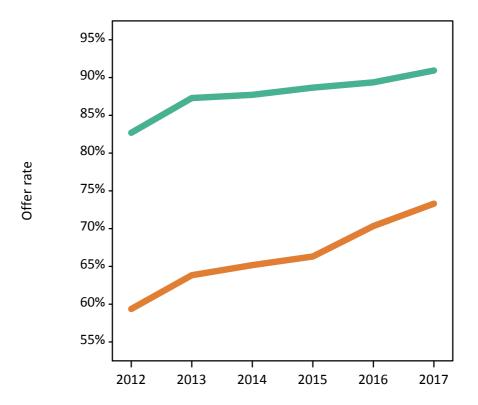
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	2,910	2,925	2,685	3,080	3,215	3,060
	Women	6,690	6,465	6,360	6,745	7,105	6,865
Offers	Men	2,410	2,550	2,355	2,730	2,875	2,785
	Women	3,975	4,130	4,145	4,470	5,000	5,035
Offer rate	Men	82.7%	87.3%	87.7%	88.7%	89.4%	90.9%
	Women	59.4%	63.8%	65.2%	66.3%	70.3%	73.3%
Average offer rate	Men	82.2%	86.9%	85.7%	86.1%	87.8%	88.5%
	Women	59.6%	64.0%	66.0%	67.5%	71.1%	74.4%
Percentage point difference between	Men	0.5	0.4	2.0	2.6	1.6	2.4
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	-0.2	-0.2	-0.9	-1.2	-0.7	-1.1
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.502	0.537	0.524	0.543	0.519	0.530
offer rate	Women	0.783	0.790	0.799	0.791	0.782	0.790

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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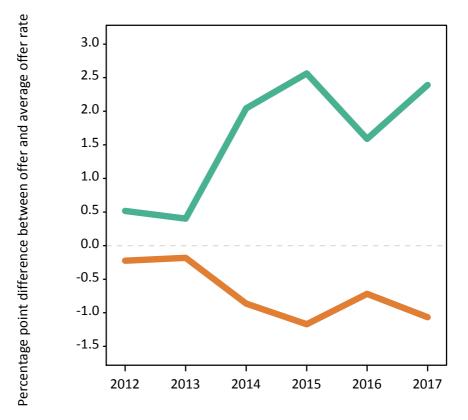




P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,705	1,690	1,750	1,845	1,970	1,870
	Quintile 2	1,840	1,865	1,780	1,925	1,950	1,835
	Quintile 3	1,750	1,760	1,645	1,845	2,005	1,850
	Quintile 4	1,930	1,840	1,755	1,890	1,955	1,885
	Quintile 5	1,485	1,355	1,260	1,450	1,580	1,515
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	345	330	345	370	375	345
	Quintile 2	345	330	360	380	375	355
	Quintile 3	365	325	360	400	405	385
	Quintile 4	390	365	395	410	395	385
	Quintile 5	265	260	270	315	355	290
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	400	370	385	410	415	385
	Quintile 2	400	385	400	425	415	385
	Quintile 3	415	365	400	450	445	420
	Quintile 4	460	410	445	455	445	425
	Quintile 5	300	285	310	345	390	310
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	119.7	121.2	125.6	131.8	145.8	140.8
population	Quintile 2	122.7	126.5	121.6	129.7	134.9	129.2
	Quintile 3	113.3	115.4	109.4	120.1	133.4	124.3
	Quintile 4	121.6	117.6	114.0	120.9	126.6	123.4
	Quintile 5	88.4	82.1	77.1	86.7	95.5	92.3
Placed June deadline applicants per	r Quintile 1	24.1	23.8	24.9	26.6	27.7	25.9
10,000 population	Quintile 2	23.1	22.3	24.7	25.7	26.1	24.9
	Quintile 3	23.7	21.4	24.1	26.2	27.1	25.9
	Quintile 4	24.5	23.3	25.8	26.3	25.7	25.3
	Quintile 5	15.7	15.8	16.7	18.7	21.5	17.7
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	28.1	26.5	27.7	29.4	30.6	29.0
population	Quintile 2	26.6	26.3	27.3	28.5	28.8	27.0
	Quintile 3	27.0	23.9	26.4	29.4	29.7	28.1
	Quintile 4	29.0	26.2	28.9	29.1	28.7	27.7
	Quintile 5	17.9	17.4	18.9	20.7	23.5	19.0

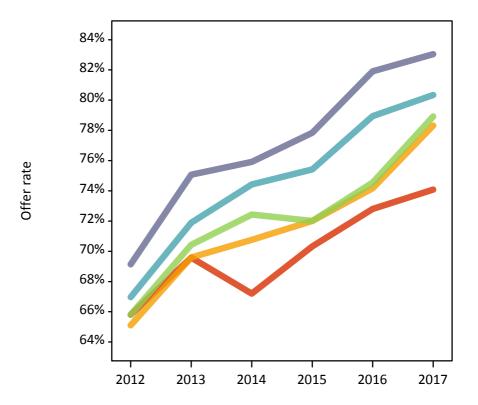
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic PC	DLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,930	1,885	1,950	2,040	2,175	2,125
	Quintile 2	2,045	2,070	1,975	2,135	2,100	2,050
	Quintile 3	1,900	1,895	1,810	2,000	2,165	2,010
	Quintile 4	2,130	2,050	1,935	2,075	2,150	2,065
	Quintile 5	1,590	1,475	1,365	1,565	1,710	1,665
Offers	Quintile 1	1,270	1,310	1,310	1,435	1,580	1,575
	Quintile 2	1,330	1,440	1,395	1,535	1,560	1,605
	Quintile 3	1,250	1,335	1,310	1,440	1,615	1,590
	Quintile 4	1,425	1,475	1,440	1,565	1,700	1,660
	Quintile 5	1,100	1,110	1,035	1,220	1,400	1,380
Offer rate	Quintile 1	65.8%	69.6%	67.2%	70.3%	72.8%	74.1%
	Quintile 2	65.1%	69.6%	70.8%	72.0%	74.2%	78.3%
	Quintile 3	65.8%	70.4%	72.4%	72.0%	74.5%	78.9%
	Quintile 4	67.0%	71.9%	74.4%	75.4%	78.9%	80.3%
	Quintile 5	69.1%	75.1%	75.9%	77.8%	81.9%	83.0%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	66.6%	71.1%	69.8%	71.1%	74.3%	76.6%
	Quintile 2	65.8%	69.5%	72.0%	72.5%	74.8%	77.7%
	Quintile 3	66.0%	71.3%	72.3%	72.4%	75.8%	79.3%
	Quintile 4	66.8%	71.0%	72.7%	75.2%	77.3%	79.4%
	Quintile 5	67.2%	73.4%	73.1%	76.0%	79.7%	81.2%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-0.8	-1.5	-2.6	-0.8	-1.5	-2.6
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-0.7	0.1	-1.2	-0.4	-0.6	0.6
	Quintile 3	-0.2	-0.9	0.2	-0.4	-1.3	-0.4
	Quintile 4	0.2	0.9	1.7	0.2	1.6	1.0
	Quintile 5	1.9	1.6	2.9	1.8	2.2	1.8
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.261	0.255	0.277	0.272	0.264	0.273
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.261	0.269	0.267	0.267	0.250	0.257
	Quintile 3	0.248	0.253	0.251	0.257	0.265	0.256
	Quintile 4	0.280	0.269	0.277	0.262	0.264	0.262
	Quintile 5	0.224	0.231	0.220	0.230	0.239	0.239

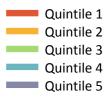
P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

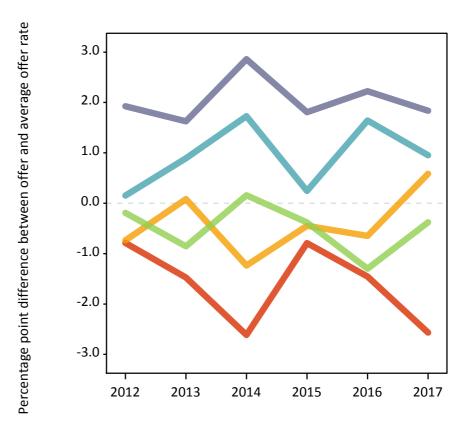
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.





P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	330	360	310	390	465	380
	Black	130	165	140	145	175	180
	Mixed	185	165	185	210	255	235
	White	8,045	7,790	7,530	8,170	8,530	8,115
	Other	20	25	25	30	40	40
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	40	20	25	45	45	30
	Black	15	15	20	25	10	10
	Mixed	40	20	30	30	45	30
	White	1,610	1,550	1,660	1,775	1,805	1,690
	Other	0	5	0	5	5	5
All placed applicants	Asian	50	30	35	50	55	40
	Black	15	20	25	30	15	20
	Mixed	45	25	30	35	50	35
	White	1,855	1,730	1,840	1,960	1,970	1,830
	Other	0	5	0	5	10	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	51.1	54.9	45.7	55.4	64.5	51.4
population	Black	46.5	55.9	46.2	45.6	56.2	57.8
	Mixed	70.3	61.4	63.6	68.8	80.4	73.2
	White	124.6	123.8	122.0	131.2	141.0	136.7
	Other	22.6	27.6	27.9	33.2	39.2	40.8
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	6.5	3.3	3.8	6.2	6.1	4.1
10,000 population	Black	4.6	4.4	6.3	7.2	2.9	3.8
	Mixed	15.4	7.4	10.1	10.1	14.9	8.7
	White	25.0	24.7	26.9	28.5	29.8	28.5
	Other	0.0	7.7	0.0	3.1	6.0	2.9
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	7.9	4.4	5.2	6.9	7.5	5.3
population	Black	6.0	6.7	7.9	8.8	4.5	5.7
	Mixed	17.7	9.2	10.4	11.7	16.5	10.9
	White	28.7	27.5	29.8	31.5	32.6	30.8
	Other	0.0	7.7	0.0	5.2	8.0	3.9

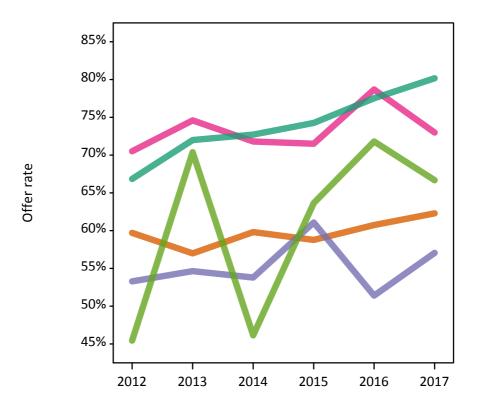
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	350	370	320	410	490	395
	Black	135	170	145	150	180	185
	Mixed	200	180	195	220	270	260
	White	8,885	8,625	8,350	8,995	9,325	9,025
	Other	20	25	25	35	40	40
Offers	Asian	210	210	190	240	295	245
	Black	75	95	80	90	90	105
	Mixed	140	135	140	160	215	190
	White	5,940	6,210	6,070	6,680	7,230	7,235
	Other	10	20	10	20	30	30
Offer rate	Asian	59.7%	57.0%	59.8%	58.8%	60.7%	62.3%
	Black	53.3%	54.7%	53.8%	61.1%	51.4%	57.1%
	Mixed	70.5%	74.6%	71.8%	71.5%	78.7%	73.0%
	White	66.9%	72.0%	72.7%	74.2%	77.5%	80.2%
	Other	45.5%	70.4%	46.2%	63.6%	71.8%	66.7%
Average offer rate	Asian	66.1%	66.3%	65.6%	66.9%	70.2%	71.5%
	Black	66.1%	70.7%	67.9%	70.9%	62.4%	73.8%
	Mixed	71.5%	76.2%	75.7%	76.2%	79.2%	79.1%
	White	66.3%	71.2%	72.1%	73.6%	76.7%	79.2%
	Other	73.5%	79.2%	67.7%	77.9%	79.5%	78.5%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	-6.4	-9.3	-5.8	-8.1	-9.4	-9.2
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-12.9	-16.0	-14.1	-9.8	-11.0	-16.8
	Mixed	-1.0	-1.6	-3.9	-4.7	-0.5	-6.1
	White	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.8	1.0
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.123	0.128	0.114	0.119	0.118	0.114
offer rate	Black	0.066	0.094	0.126	0.080	0.076	0.096
	Mixed	0.095	0.080	0.084	0.093	0.091	0.081
	White	0.931	0.926	0.930	0.922	0.911	0.917
	Other	0.117	0.077	0.049	0.048	0.047	0.061

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

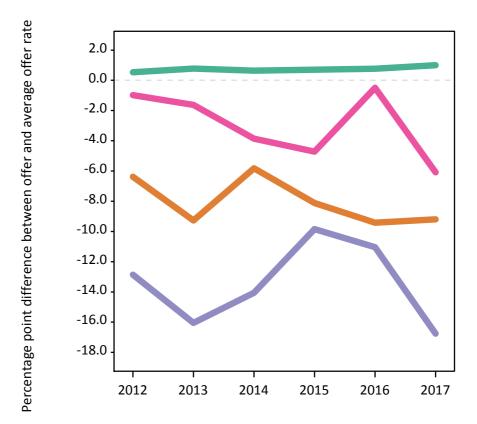
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P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.





P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	16,160	16,670	16,440	16,800	17,530	15,835
Placed June deadline applicants	2,855	2,925	3,090	3,285	3,275	3,035
All placed applicants	3,485	3,525	3,770	3,970	3,940	3,590

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	18,125	18,620	18,360	18,605	19,370	17,695
Offers	9,605	10,515	10,230	11,010	11,935	11,700
Offer rate	53.0%	56.5%	55.7%	59.2%	61.6%	66.1%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	4,915	5,100	4,730	5,015	5,200	4,690
	Women	11,245	11,570	11,710	11,785	12,330	11,145
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,010	1,010	1,040	1,120	1,105	980
	Women	1,845	1,920	2,050	2,170	2,165	2,055
All placed applicants	Men	1,270	1,230	1,275	1,365	1,305	1,190
	Women	2,215	2,295	2,495	2,605	2,635	2,395

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	5,585	5,800	5,355	5,675	5,870	5,365
	Women	12,540	12,820	13,010	12,930	13,500	12,325
Offers	Men	3,835	4,245	3,825	4,280	4,475	4,210
	Women	5,770	6,270	6,405	6,730	7,460	7,490
Offer rate	Men	68.6%	73.2%	71.4%	75.4%	76.3%	78.4%
	Women	46.0%	48.9%	49.2%	52.0%	55.3%	60.8%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	3,585	3,700	3,855	3,820	3,995	3,625
	Quintile 2	3,545	3,580	3,565	3,665	3,700	3,335
	Quintile 3	3,140	3,355	3,240	3,325	3,600	3,185
	Quintile 4	3,315	3,490	3,395	3,400	3,480	3,175
	Quintile 5	2,545	2,515	2,365	2,575	2,715	2,490
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	630	640	695	720	715	635
	Quintile 2	580	560	630	645	670	625
	Quintile 3	575	590	615	655	675	630
	Quintile 4	635	675	680	740	645	670
	Quintile 5	430	455	465	520	565	475
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	775	785	870	890	885	780
	Quintile 2	715	685	755	790	810	730
	Quintile 3	695	705	735	780	800	725
	Quintile 4	780	795	830	870	785	790
	Quintile 5	520	545	570	630	660	555

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	4,115	4,180	4,345	4,300	4,490	4,095
	Quintile 2	3,990	4,035	4,005	4,075	4,090	3,745
	Quintile 3	3,470	3,680	3,600	3,640	3,910	3,495
	Quintile 4	3,755	3,920	3,790	3,775	3,850	3,560
	Quintile 5	2,770	2,775	2,600	2,800	2,995	2,775
Offers	Quintile 1	2,095	2,205	2,260	2,360	2,575	2,475
	Quintile 2	2,050	2,215	2,180	2,315	2,410	2,415
	Quintile 3	1,820	2,090	2,025	2,160	2,385	2,320
	Quintile 4	2,075	2,305	2,225	2,380	2,475	2,470
	Quintile 5	1,555	1,680	1,530	1,785	2,065	2,000
Offer rate	Quintile 1	50.9%	52.7%	52.0%	54.9%	57.3%	60.5%
	Quintile 2	51.4%	54.9%	54.4%	56.8%	59.0%	64.4%
	Quintile 3	52.5%	56.8%	56.3%	59.3%	61.0%	66.4%
	Quintile 4	55.2%	58.8%	58.6%	63.0%	64.3%	69.5%
	Quintile 5	56.2%	60.6%	58.8%	63.8%	68.9%	72.1%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	665	745	675	770	900	760
	Black	605	670	605	645	745	725
	Mixed	360	360	380	415	490	410
	White	14,440	14,780	14,675	14,850	15,260	13,785
	Other	55	80	65	80	95	95
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	75	55	65	75	95	70
	Black	50	50	50	70	45	55
	Mixed	65	50	60	55	80	55
	White	2,660	2,750	2,900	3,070	3,040	2,840
	Other	5	15	5	5	10	10
All placed applicants	Asian	95	80	85	90	115	85
	Black	70	70	65	90	70	80
	Mixed	80	60	70	75	95	75
	White	3,195	3,190	3,350	3,480	3,470	3,310
	Other	5	15	10	15	25	20

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	710	780	715	820	955	805
	Black	645	705	635	680	800	745
	Mixed	395	395	420	445	530	460
	White	16,275	16,605	16,480	16,530	16,940	15,515
	Other	60	90	70	85	100	100
Offers	Asian	350	375	335	375	490	410
	Black	185	225	165	200	195	225
	Mixed	225	225	250	250	325	295
	White	8,800	9,620	9,440	10,125	10,860	10,685
	Other	25	40	25	35	45	50
Offer rate	Asian	49.2%	48.3%	46.6%	45.7%	51.6%	50.7%
	Black	28.7%	31.6%	26.2%	29.4%	24.1%	30.3%
	Mixed	56.9%	56.9%	58.8%	56.5%	61.2%	64.0%
	White	54.1%	57.9%	57.3%	61.3%	64.1%	68.9%
	Other	44.1%	46.6%	38.0%	42.4%	43.4%	49.5%

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.

SIMD 2016 quintile

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.

Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate

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.