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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

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- 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	6,415	6,430	6,985	8,295	7,720	7,135
Placed June deadline applicants	835	1,040	1,220	1,335	1,250	1,185
All placed applicants	1,090	1,160	1,260	1,410	1,500	1,495
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	83.0	84.5	92.7	108.3	103.0	96.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	10.8	13.7	16.2	17.4	16.7	16.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	14.1	15.2	16.8	18.4	20.0	20.2

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	6,520	6,530	7,135	8,450	7,830	7,265
Offers	5,920	5,820	6,440	7,485	6,950	6,595
Offer rate	90.8%	89.1%	90.2%	88.6%	88.8%	90.8%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	2,540	2,345	2,665	3,245	2,955	2,730
	Women	3,875	4,085	4,320	5,050	4,770	4,405
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	310	350	420	495	435	450
	Women	520	690	795	840	810	735
All placed applicants	Men	420	400	435	525	545	600
	Women	670	760	825	890	955	900
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	64.1	60.1	68.9	82.7	76.9	71.9
	Women	102.8	110.3	118.0	135.2	130.5	122.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	7.8	8.9	10.9	12.6	11.4	11.9
	Women	13.8	18.6	21.7	22.5	22.2	20.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	10.6	10.2	11.3	13.3	14.2	15.7
	Women	17.7	20.5	22.6	23.8	26.1	24.9

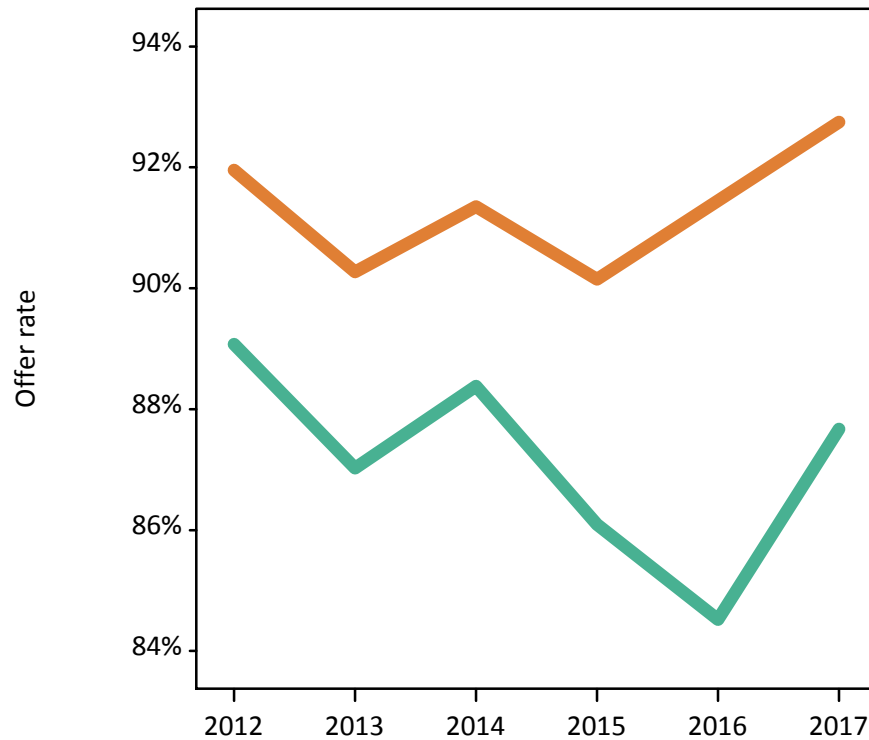
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	2,590	2,390	2,720	3,315	3,000	2,780
	Women	3,930	4,140	4,415	5,135	4,830	4,480
Offers	Men	2,305	2,080	2,405	2,855	2,535	2,440
	Women	3,610	3,740	4,035	4,630	4,415	4,155
Offer rate	Men	89.1%	87.0%	88.4%	86.1%	84.5%	87.7%
	Women	92.0%	90.3%	91.3%	90.1%	91.4%	92.7%
Average offer rate	Men	90.0%	87.2%	88.4%	86.3%	85.1%	88.0%
	Women	91.3%	90.2%	91.4%	90.0%	91.1%	92.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-1.0	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.6	-0.4
	Women	0.6	0.1	-0.0	0.2	0.4	0.2
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.541	0.526	0.514	0.525	0.529	0.544
	Women	0.698	0.727	0.701	0.693	0.708	0.717

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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.

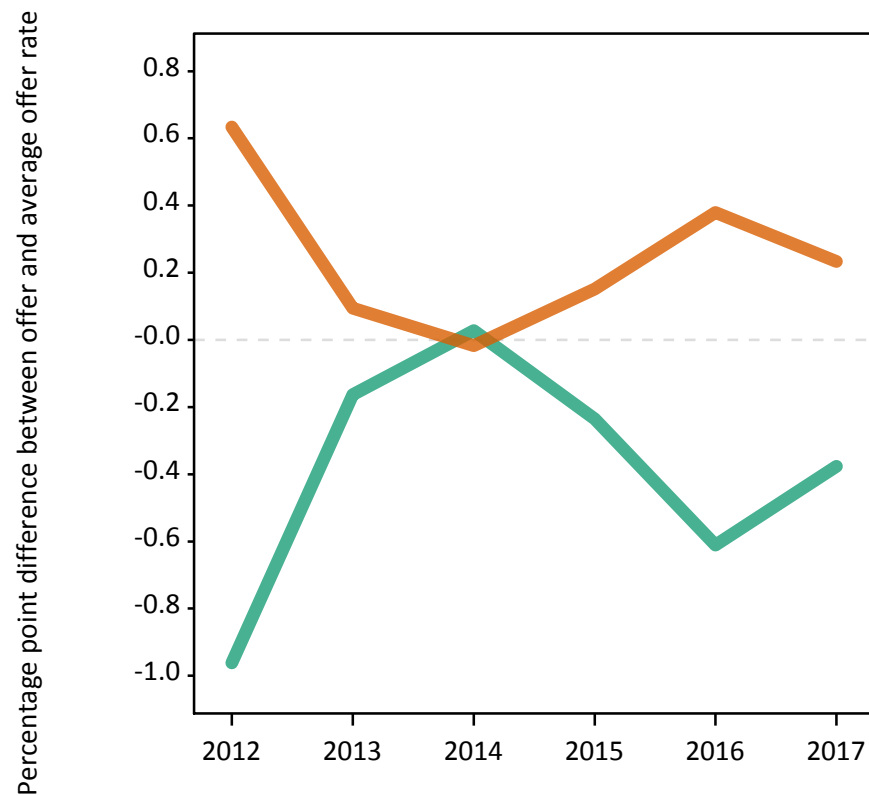
Men
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	300	370	410	470	475	425
	Quintile 2	655	710	810	925	870	775
	Quintile 3	1,165	1,190	1,310	1,540	1,470	1,410
	Quintile 4	1,700	1,760	1,890	2,285	2,105	1,865
	Quintile 5	2,575	2,390	2,550	3,055	2,780	2,635
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	55	70	85	55	80	70
	Quintile 2	90	110	135	180	135	125
	Quintile 3	140	175	215	250	255	225
	Quintile 4	220	285	345	370	345	335
	Quintile 5	325	395	430	475	435	430
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	65	75	85	60	90	75
	Quintile 2	115	120	145	190	160	160
	Quintile 3	190	200	220	260	300	290
	Quintile 4	285	325	355	385	415	405
	Quintile 5	430	440	455	515	535	565
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	21.1	26.6	29.3	33.5	35.3	32.0
	Quintile 2	43.7	48.0	55.2	62.3	60.3	54.5
	Quintile 3	75.6	78.0	87.0	100.4	97.9	94.7
	Quintile 4	107.1	112.5	122.6	145.8	136.3	122.2
	Quintile 5	153.3	144.5	156.5	182.4	168.2	160.5
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	3.7	5.2	6.2	4.0	5.9	5.1
	Quintile 2	6.0	7.5	9.3	12.2	9.3	8.9
	Quintile 3	9.1	11.6	14.2	16.3	16.8	15.2
	Quintile 4	14.0	18.3	22.4	23.6	22.3	21.9
	Quintile 5	19.3	23.8	26.5	28.4	26.2	26.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	4.5	5.2	6.3	4.1	6.6	5.6
	Quintile 2	7.6	8.1	9.8	12.8	11.0	11.2
	Quintile 3	12.4	13.2	14.5	16.8	19.9	19.5
	Quintile 4	17.9	20.9	23.0	24.7	26.8	26.6
	Quintile 5	25.7	26.5	27.8	30.8	32.3	34.3

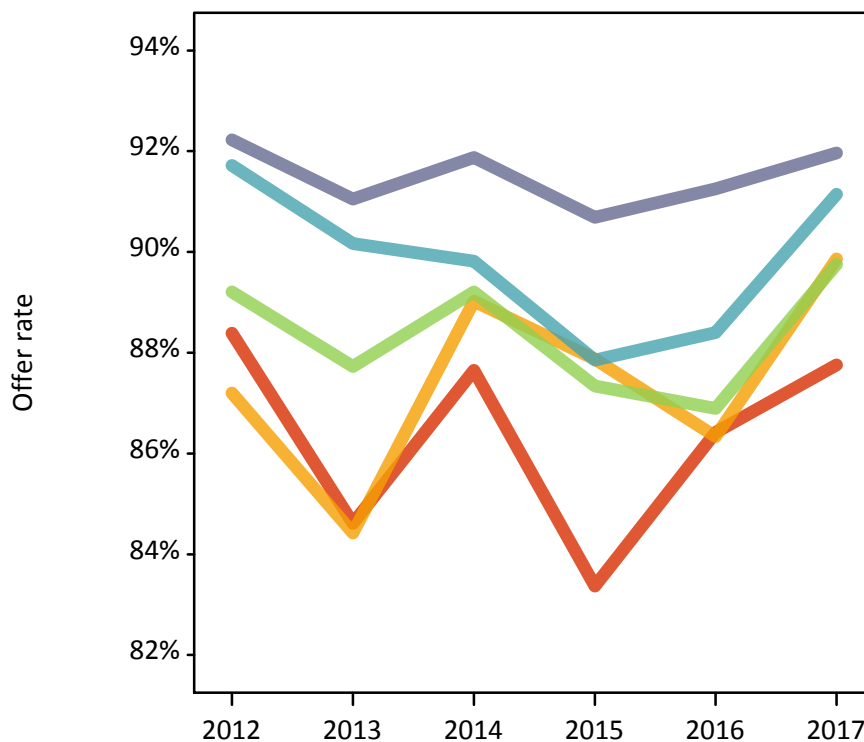
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	310	375	420	480	485	435
	Quintile 2	665	720	820	940	895	790
	Quintile 3	1,185	1,205	1,335	1,570	1,490	1,435
	Quintile 4	1,725	1,790	1,935	2,320	2,130	1,910
	Quintile 5	2,610	2,425	2,610	3,115	2,815	2,675
Offers	Quintile 1	275	320	370	400	420	380
	Quintile 2	580	605	730	825	770	710
	Quintile 3	1,060	1,060	1,190	1,375	1,295	1,290
	Quintile 4	1,585	1,615	1,735	2,040	1,880	1,740
	Quintile 5	2,410	2,210	2,395	2,825	2,565	2,460
Offer rate	Quintile 1	88.4%	84.6%	87.6%	83.4%	86.4%	87.8%
	Quintile 2	87.2%	84.4%	89.0%	87.9%	86.3%	89.9%
	Quintile 3	89.2%	87.7%	89.2%	87.3%	86.9%	89.8%
	Quintile 4	91.7%	90.2%	89.8%	87.9%	88.4%	91.1%
	Quintile 5	92.2%	91.1%	91.9%	90.7%	91.3%	92.0%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	88.4%	85.7%	88.6%	84.6%	85.2%	87.9%
	Quintile 2	89.2%	86.3%	89.5%	88.0%	86.1%	90.9%
	Quintile 3	89.7%	88.2%	89.3%	86.9%	87.7%	90.0%
	Quintile 4	91.0%	89.6%	89.5%	88.3%	88.6%	90.7%
	Quintile 5	91.9%	90.5%	91.8%	90.4%	91.0%	91.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-0.0	-1.1	-0.9	-1.3	1.2	-0.1
	Quintile 2	-2.0	-1.9	-0.4	-0.2	0.3	-1.0
	Quintile 3	-0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.4	-0.8	-0.3
	Quintile 4	0.7	0.6	0.3	-0.4	-0.2	0.5
	Quintile 5	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.141	0.149	0.144	0.149	0.165	0.159
	Quintile 2	0.201	0.196	0.189	0.188	0.213	0.192
	Quintile 3	0.263	0.260	0.265	0.253	0.262	0.278
	Quintile 4	0.334	0.338	0.345	0.331	0.338	0.334
	Quintile 5	0.454	0.434	0.428	0.427	0.421	0.438

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.

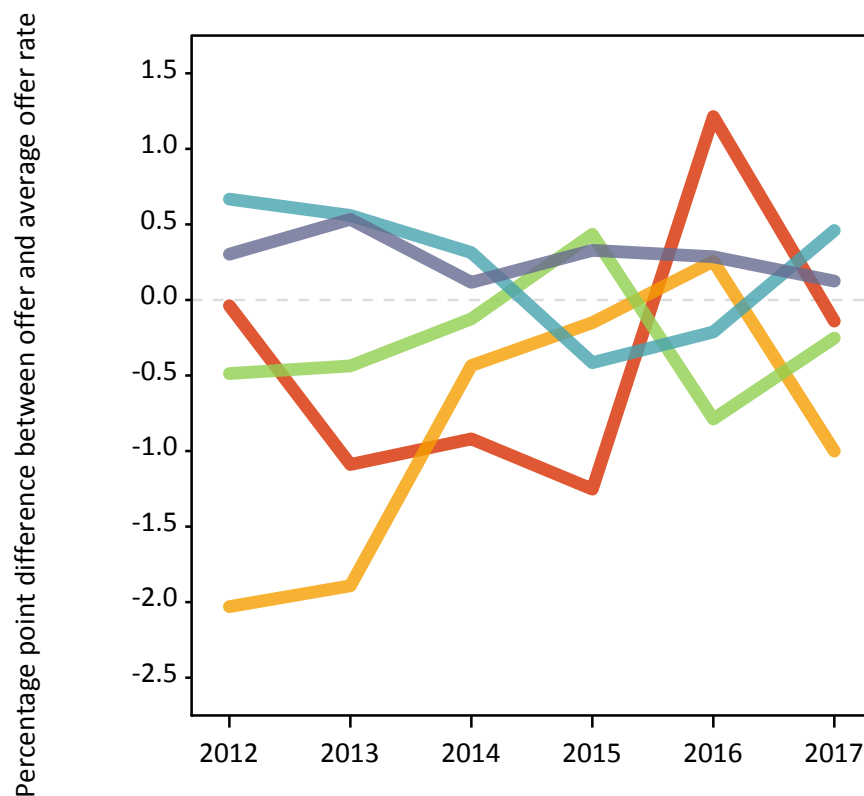
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,040	980	995	1,365	1,385	1,495
	Black	310	315	320	410	395	410
	Mixed	325	335	390	510	465	405
	White	4,535	4,610	5,065	5,680	5,180	4,515
	Other	155	150	160	250	220	240
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	85	135	140	170	185	215
	Black	30	35	55	40	40	40
	Mixed	45	40	65	75	70	65
	White	650	805	930	1,000	910	830
	Other	20	25	25	35	25	25
All placed applicants	Asian	130	175	150	190	275	300
	Black	50	40	55	45	50	60
	Mixed	60	50	65	80	85	80
	White	820	860	955	1,045	1,030	1,000
	Other	25	30	25	35	40	45
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	160.4	148.3	146.7	192.9	192.3	203.1
	Black	110.4	105.4	105.9	129.1	126.8	130.9
	Mixed	124.0	124.6	135.2	165.1	147.8	126.2
	White	70.3	73.2	82.1	91.2	85.7	76.1
	Other	174.0	167.6	174.1	258.3	221.1	234.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	13.3	20.2	20.8	23.9	25.6	29.4
	Black	11.0	11.1	17.5	12.6	12.1	13.3
	Mixed	16.5	14.8	22.6	25.0	22.2	20.2
	White	10.0	12.8	15.0	16.0	15.1	14.0
	Other	21.5	27.6	27.9	34.2	27.1	23.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	19.9	26.5	22.4	27.0	38.2	40.5
	Black	18.1	13.8	18.1	13.5	15.3	19.4
	Mixed	22.3	17.8	23.3	26.3	27.0	24.6
	White	12.7	13.7	15.5	16.8	17.0	16.9
	Other	28.3	30.9	27.9	36.3	38.2	43.7

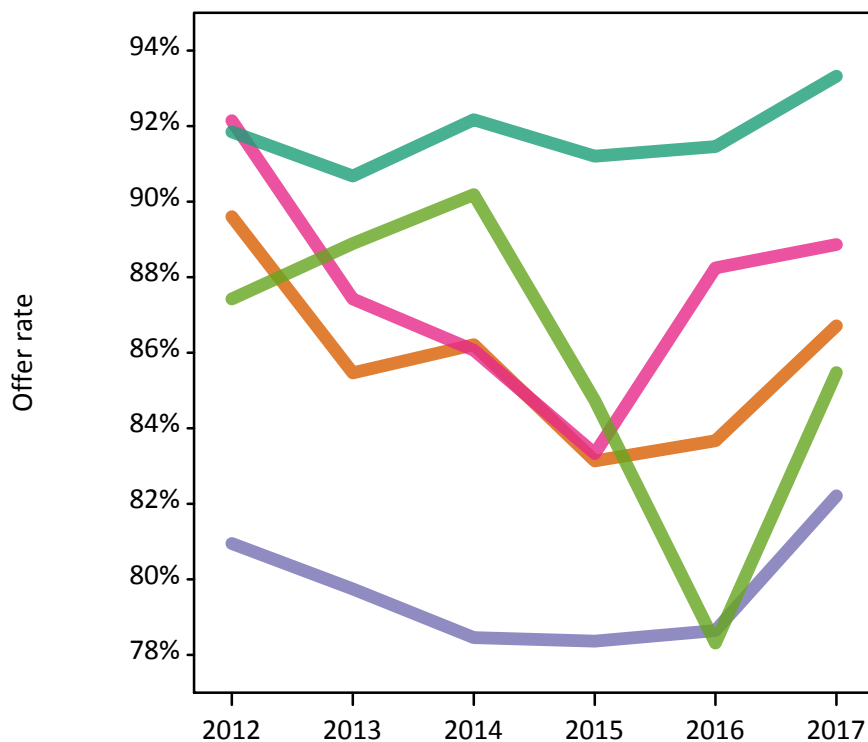
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	1,050	990	1,010	1,375	1,395	1,515
	Black	315	315	325	415	400	415
	Mixed	330	340	400	515	470	415
	White	4,610	4,685	5,185	5,810	5,265	4,610
	Other	160	155	165	250	225	240
Offers	Asian	940	845	870	1,145	1,170	1,310
	Black	255	250	255	325	315	340
	Mixed	305	300	345	430	415	365
	White	4,235	4,250	4,780	5,295	4,815	4,305
	Other	140	135	145	210	175	205
Offer rate	Asian	89.6%	85.5%	86.2%	83.1%	83.7%	86.7%
	Black	81.0%	79.7%	78.5%	78.4%	78.6%	82.2%
	Mixed	92.1%	87.4%	86.1%	83.3%	88.2%	88.9%
	White	91.8%	90.7%	92.2%	91.2%	91.5%	93.3%
	Other	87.4%	88.9%	90.2%	84.7%	78.3%	85.5%
Average offer rate	Asian	90.1%	85.6%	87.1%	83.2%	84.5%	87.4%
	Black	82.9%	80.7%	82.8%	79.5%	82.0%	84.7%
	Mixed	91.5%	88.6%	87.0%	85.2%	88.5%	88.5%
	White	91.6%	90.5%	91.7%	90.9%	90.8%	92.8%
	Other	87.3%	87.6%	88.3%	85.2%	82.4%	88.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-0.5	-0.2	-0.9	-0.1	-0.8	-0.7
	Black	-2.0	-1.0	-4.4	-1.1	-3.3	-2.5
	Mixed	0.6	-1.2	-1.0	-1.8	-0.3	0.4
	White	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.5
	Other	0.2	1.3	1.9	-0.4	-4.1	-2.8
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.347	0.335	0.314	0.310	0.331	0.366
	Black	0.170	0.181	0.206	0.172	0.163	0.173
	Mixed	0.135	0.125	0.152	0.160	0.161	0.161
	White	0.775	0.776	0.788	0.752	0.742	0.719
	Other	0.142	0.144	0.139	0.122	0.138	0.154

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



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.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	9,255	9,575	10,545	12,205	11,500	10,410
Placed June deadline applicants	1,270	1,455	1,730	1,840	1,780	1,675
All placed applicants	1,650	1,675	1,840	1,970	2,170	2,160

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	9,430	9,795	10,830	12,465	11,695	10,645
Offers	7,770	7,745	8,955	10,235	9,675	9,070
Offer rate	82.4%	79.1%	82.7%	82.1%	82.7%	85.2%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	3,925	3,820	4,325	5,125	4,760	4,330
	Women	5,330	5,750	6,220	7,080	6,735	6,080
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	515	550	660	730	670	675
	Women	760	910	1,075	1,110	1,110	1,000
All placed applicants	Men	690	655	705	780	850	910
	Women	960	1,020	1,130	1,190	1,320	1,250

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	4,005	3,915	4,445	5,235	4,855	4,440
	Women	5,425	5,880	6,380	7,230	6,840	6,205
Offers	Men	3,230	3,005	3,585	4,120	3,805	3,600
	Women	4,535	4,740	5,370	6,115	5,870	5,470
Offer rate	Men	80.7%	76.8%	80.7%	78.7%	78.3%	81.2%
	Women	83.6%	80.6%	84.1%	84.6%	85.8%	88.1%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	485	580	620	705	710	615
	Quintile 2	920	1,055	1,225	1,325	1,240	1,110
	Quintile 3	1,765	1,800	2,050	2,325	2,250	2,100
	Quintile 4	2,435	2,565	2,795	3,370	3,135	2,715
	Quintile 5	3,615	3,535	3,825	4,445	4,130	3,820
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	85	105	125	95	115	95
	Quintile 2	130	155	195	235	185	175
	Quintile 3	225	260	315	335	360	325
	Quintile 4	345	395	485	515	505	455
	Quintile 5	485	540	610	650	610	625
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	100	110	125	100	130	110
	Quintile 2	160	170	205	245	220	220
	Quintile 3	300	305	325	355	430	425
	Quintile 4	435	460	510	550	625	575
	Quintile 5	640	630	665	715	765	825

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	495	600	635	730	730	625
	Quintile 2	940	1,080	1,250	1,350	1,270	1,135
	Quintile 3	1,795	1,840	2,095	2,380	2,285	2,140
	Quintile 4	2,480	2,625	2,875	3,425	3,180	2,785
	Quintile 5	3,680	3,620	3,935	4,540	4,195	3,905
Offers	Quintile 1	395	440	515	560	590	505
	Quintile 2	730	815	995	1,095	1,015	960
	Quintile 3	1,440	1,420	1,680	1,900	1,820	1,780
	Quintile 4	2,065	2,110	2,365	2,790	2,655	2,370
	Quintile 5	3,115	2,940	3,370	3,860	3,575	3,410
Offer rate	Quintile 1	79.5%	73.2%	80.5%	77.1%	80.7%	80.7%
	Quintile 2	77.4%	75.6%	79.8%	81.1%	79.8%	84.5%
	Quintile 3	80.2%	77.3%	80.1%	79.7%	79.6%	83.2%
	Quintile 4	83.2%	80.4%	82.4%	81.4%	83.5%	85.2%
	Quintile 5	84.7%	81.2%	85.7%	85.0%	85.1%	87.3%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,675	1,590	1,740	2,250	2,230	2,335
	Black	695	710	780	860	865	805
	Mixed	475	510	595	760	705	600
	White	6,020	6,395	7,025	7,785	7,150	6,125
	Other	290	280	305	400	395	410
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	190	200	250	245	280	320
	Black	75	60	90	80	80	80
	Mixed	65	65	90	105	100	95
	White	890	1,080	1,245	1,335	1,245	1,115
	Other	40	45	50	50	45	45
All placed applicants	Asian	275	275	280	285	420	460
	Black	100	80	95	90	105	120
	Mixed	90	75	100	115	125	125
	White	1,105	1,175	1,300	1,405	1,410	1,355
	Other	60	50	50	55	65	80

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	1,690	1,620	1,775	2,280	2,265	2,375
	Black	700	715	795	870	875	810
	Mixed	490	520	610	770	710	615
	White	6,145	6,560	7,235	7,985	7,290	6,290
	Other	300	290	310	400	405	415
Offers	Asian	1,380	1,250	1,430	1,750	1,790	1,945
	Black	425	420	470	540	570	555
	Mixed	410	405	490	595	580	510
	White	5,245	5,395	6,255	6,925	6,325	5,615
	Other	230	215	240	305	295	335
Offer rate	Asian	81.7%	77.0%	80.4%	76.8%	79.1%	81.8%
	Black	60.8%	58.9%	59.2%	61.7%	64.9%	68.6%
	Mixed	83.1%	77.4%	80.3%	77.3%	81.7%	83.0%
	White	85.4%	82.2%	86.5%	86.7%	86.8%	89.3%
	Other	77.2%	75.3%	77.7%	76.1%	73.2%	79.9%

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.