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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	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	12,795	14,785	15,180	17,960	19,370	18,800
Placed June deadline applicants	2,640	2,165	2,540	2,355	2,420	2,620
All placed applicants	2,730	2,280	2,650	2,440	2,530	2,880
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	168.1	196.3	198.1	239.6	261.5	260.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	34.7	28.7	33.2	31.4	32.7	36.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	35.9	30.3	34.6	32.6	34.1	39.8

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	13,400	15,550	15,930	18,735	20,285	19,650
Offers	11,480	13,015	12,925	14,865	15,805	15,570
Offer rate	85.7%	83.7%	81.1%	79.3%	77.9%	79.2%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	8,055	9,140	9,095	11,140	11,995	11,910
	Women	4,740	5,645	6,085	6,820	7,375	6,890
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,650	1,350	1,500	1,410	1,450	1,655
	Women	995	815	1,040	945	975	965
All placed applicants	Men	1,690	1,415	1,560	1,460	1,515	1,835
	Women	1,035	865	1,090	980	1,015	1,045
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	206.3	236.2	231.7	290.0	315.8	321.5
	Women	127.9	154.2	162.9	186.6	204.3	195.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	42.2	34.9	38.3	36.7	38.1	44.7
	Women	26.8	22.3	27.8	25.9	26.9	27.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	43.3	36.6	39.7	38.0	39.9	49.5
	Women	28.0	23.6	29.2	26.8	28.1	29.6

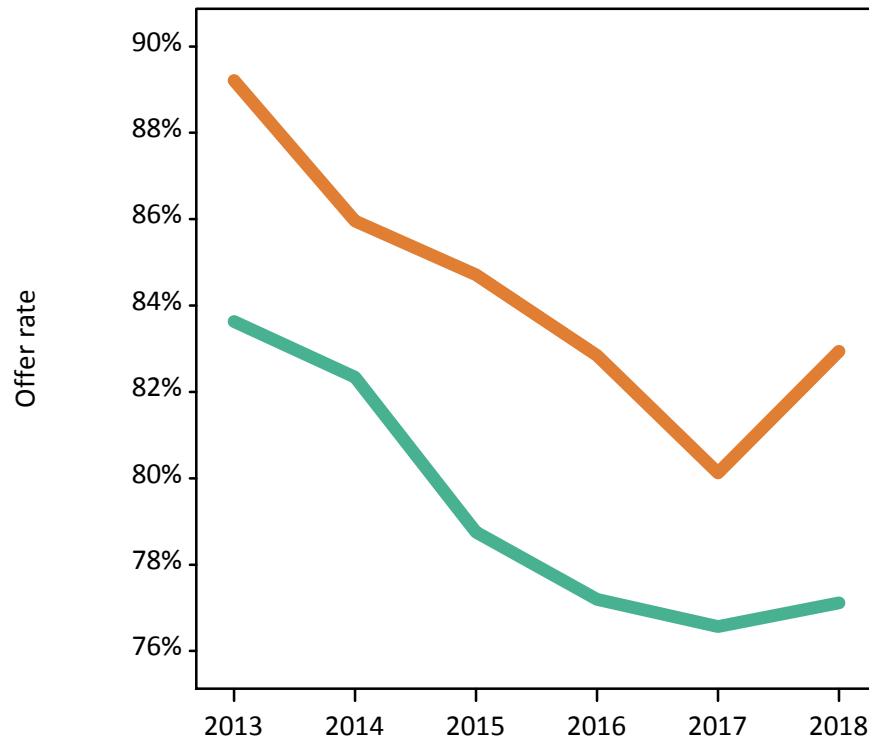
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	8,485	9,690	9,570	11,650	12,595	12,505
	Women	4,915	5,860	6,360	7,085	7,695	7,145
Offers	Men	7,095	7,980	7,535	8,995	9,640	9,645
	Women	4,385	5,040	5,385	5,870	6,165	5,925
Offer rate	Men	83.6%	82.3%	78.8%	77.2%	76.6%	77.1%
	Women	89.2%	86.0%	84.7%	82.8%	80.1%	82.9%
Average offer rate	Men	84.0%	82.4%	79.0%	77.4%	76.8%	77.8%
	Women	88.6%	85.9%	84.3%	82.5%	79.7%	81.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-0.6
	Women	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.4	1.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.730	0.726	0.706	0.708	0.714	0.721
	Women	0.535	0.546	0.558	0.519	0.532	0.512

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 2013-2018.

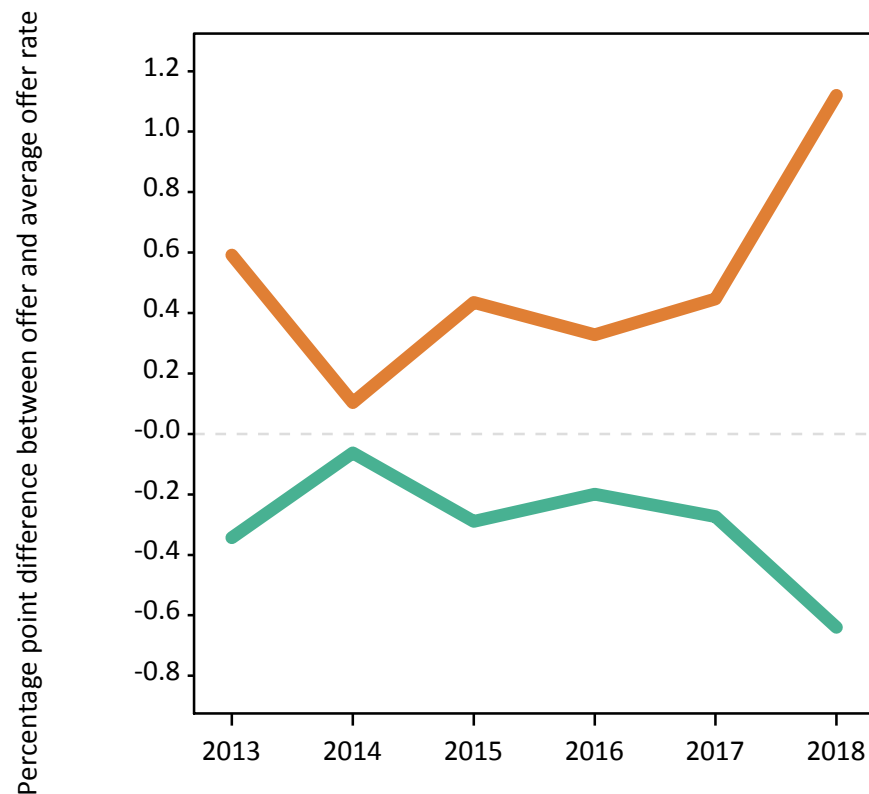
Men
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	865	1,015	1,025	1,250	1,455	1,275
	Quintile 2	1,470	1,740	1,805	2,250	2,280	2,225
	Quintile 3	2,225	2,620	2,805	3,190	3,425	3,305
	Quintile 4	3,085	3,480	3,615	4,205	4,605	4,585
	Quintile 5	5,125	5,905	5,900	7,020	7,560	7,360
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	160	130	150	165	185	165
	Quintile 2	280	240	285	290	260	310
	Quintile 3	455	390	440	410	415	430
	Quintile 4	680	510	620	560	580	645
	Quintile 5	1,065	895	1,040	925	975	1,065
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	160	135	165	170	190	180
	Quintile 2	285	250	290	295	270	330
	Quintile 3	465	410	455	430	435	470
	Quintile 4	705	540	650	575	595	710
	Quintile 5	1,105	945	1,080	960	1,030	1,185
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	61.3	72.1	72.3	92.0	108.9	98.0
	Quintile 2	101.3	121.3	123.6	158.6	163.3	164.2
	Quintile 3	149.5	178.9	187.2	217.7	236.4	234.6
	Quintile 4	200.3	228.1	233.4	275.8	304.4	310.8
	Quintile 5	297.5	347.1	339.8	406.8	440.8	436.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	11.3	9.3	10.7	12.1	13.8	12.8
	Quintile 2	19.2	16.7	19.4	20.4	18.6	22.8
	Quintile 3	30.5	26.6	29.5	27.9	28.6	30.5
	Quintile 4	44.1	33.3	39.9	36.7	38.3	43.8
	Quintile 5	61.7	52.6	59.9	53.6	56.9	63.1
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	11.4	9.5	11.5	12.4	14.2	13.8
	Quintile 2	19.7	17.5	20.0	20.9	19.3	24.3
	Quintile 3	31.4	28.1	30.4	29.4	30.0	33.3
	Quintile 4	45.7	35.4	42.1	37.9	39.5	48.1
	Quintile 5	64.2	55.5	62.3	55.5	60.1	70.2

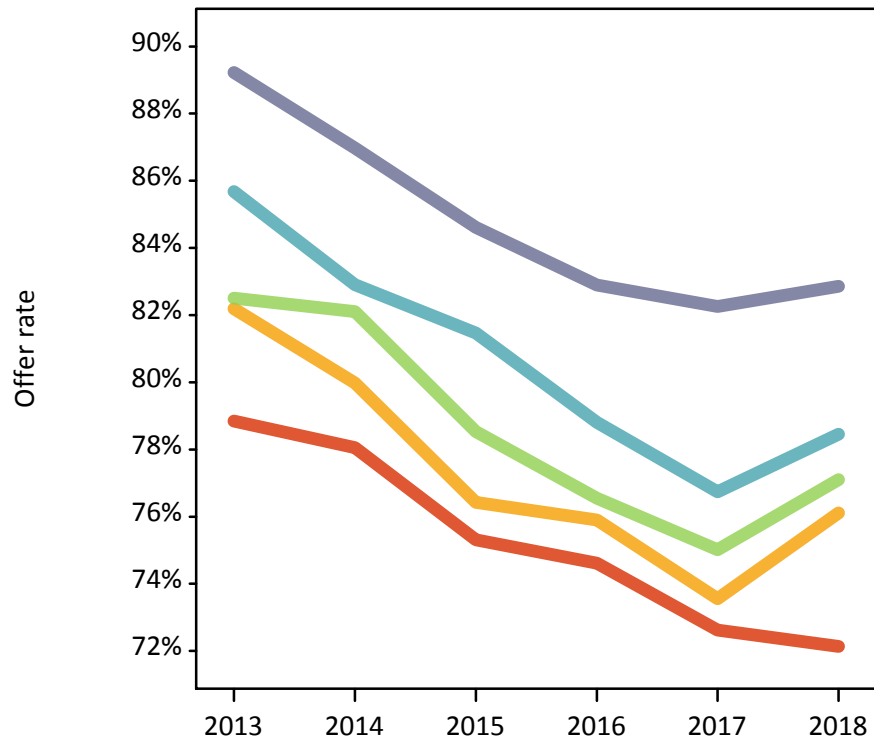
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	905	1,080	1,060	1,295	1,510	1,330
	Quintile 2	1,525	1,840	1,885	2,340	2,400	2,310
	Quintile 3	2,325	2,760	2,935	3,345	3,570	3,455
	Quintile 4	3,250	3,650	3,820	4,385	4,815	4,805
	Quintile 5	5,365	6,195	6,200	7,320	7,935	7,700
Offers	Quintile 1	710	845	800	965	1,100	960
	Quintile 2	1,255	1,470	1,440	1,775	1,765	1,760
	Quintile 3	1,920	2,265	2,305	2,560	2,680	2,665
	Quintile 4	2,785	3,025	3,110	3,455	3,695	3,770
	Quintile 5	4,785	5,390	5,245	6,065	6,530	6,380
Offer rate	Quintile 1	78.8%	78.1%	75.3%	74.6%	72.6%	72.1%
	Quintile 2	82.2%	80.0%	76.4%	75.9%	73.6%	76.1%
	Quintile 3	82.5%	82.1%	78.5%	76.5%	75.0%	77.1%
	Quintile 4	85.7%	82.9%	81.5%	78.8%	76.7%	78.5%
	Quintile 5	89.2%	87.0%	84.6%	82.9%	82.3%	82.9%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	79.4%	77.6%	75.0%	75.0%	73.0%	73.5%
	Quintile 2	81.7%	80.9%	77.4%	76.1%	74.0%	76.6%
	Quintile 3	84.0%	82.3%	79.6%	77.5%	75.9%	78.0%
	Quintile 4	86.3%	83.2%	81.3%	79.3%	77.5%	79.2%
	Quintile 5	88.3%	86.5%	84.0%	82.1%	81.2%	81.6%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-0.6	0.5	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-1.3
	Quintile 2	0.5	-1.0	-1.0	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5
	Quintile 3	-1.5	-0.2	-1.0	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9
	Quintile 4	-0.6	-0.3	0.2	-0.5	-0.8	-0.8
	Quintile 5	1.0	0.5	0.6	0.8	1.1	1.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.149	0.140	0.127	0.123	0.131	0.110
	Quintile 2	0.177	0.176	0.176	0.170	0.163	0.145
	Quintile 3	0.223	0.225	0.232	0.223	0.211	0.205
	Quintile 4	0.285	0.277	0.282	0.270	0.269	0.270
	Quintile 5	0.451	0.450	0.439	0.434	0.433	0.425

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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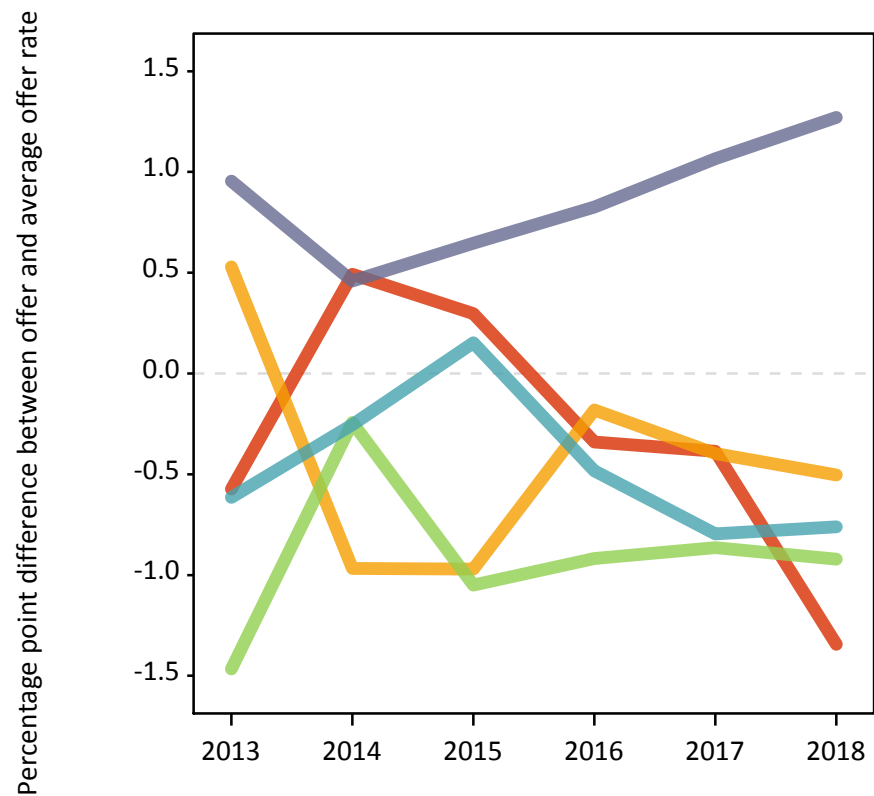
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,280	1,420	1,515	1,945	2,285	2,425
	Black	690	885	1,020	1,300	1,420	1,500
	Mixed	480	610	645	780	960	965
	White	10,205	11,700	11,765	13,640	14,380	13,530
	Other	100	120	160	195	225	250
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	205	155	185	180	230	310
	Black	125	95	130	135	155	175
	Mixed	90	75	110	90	125	135
	White	2,205	1,820	2,085	1,925	1,885	1,955
	Other	10	10	15	20	10	25
All placed applicants	Asian	215	175	200	195	250	360
	Black	135	110	140	145	160	215
	Mixed	105	75	115	90	130	150
	White	2,255	1,905	2,165	1,975	1,955	2,095
	Other	10	10	15	20	15	30
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	193.9	209.5	214.2	270.4	310.7	327.1
	Black	232.4	292.6	321.1	415.2	450.9	481.7
	Mixed	177.5	211.7	209.5	247.2	299.4	299.5
	White	162.2	189.7	188.9	225.5	242.3	235.6
	Other	110.3	128.9	163.9	197.0	216.5	236.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	30.9	23.0	26.1	25.0	31.1	41.9
	Black	42.4	32.0	41.2	42.5	48.9	55.5
	Mixed	34.0	26.4	36.3	28.0	38.6	42.4
	White	35.0	29.5	33.5	31.8	31.8	34.0
	Other	9.9	11.8	16.6	19.1	11.6	22.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	32.9	25.8	28.3	27.4	34.3	48.8
	Black	45.5	35.6	44.0	46.0	50.8	69.3
	Mixed	38.1	26.8	37.9	29.2	40.2	47.1
	White	35.9	30.9	34.7	32.7	33.0	36.5
	Other	11.0	12.9	16.6	20.1	13.6	27.6

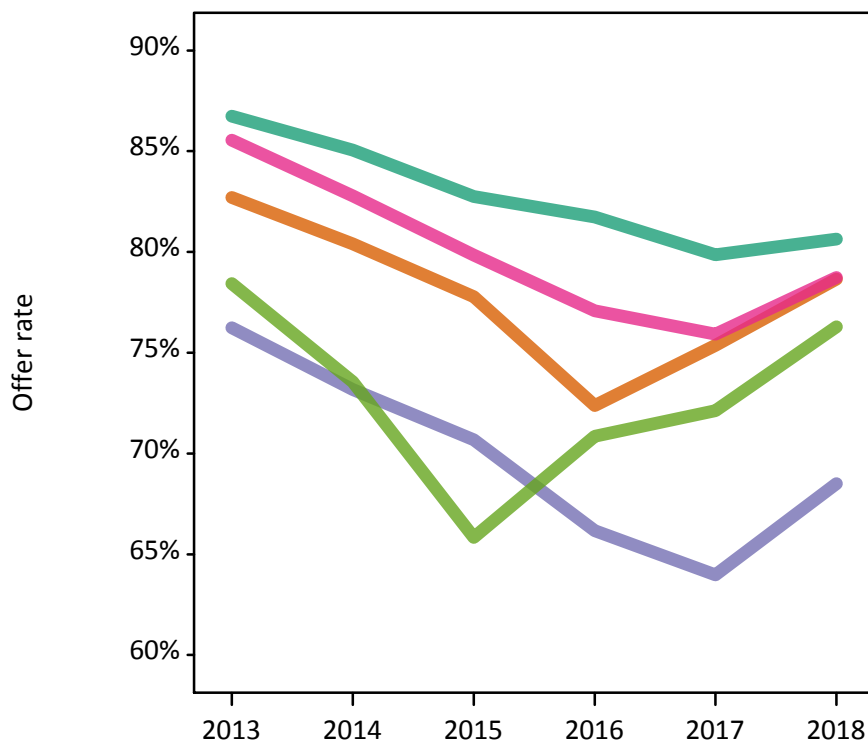
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	1,310	1,465	1,555	1,985	2,330	2,490
	Black	705	905	1,040	1,335	1,450	1,545
	Mixed	500	640	660	795	1,005	1,010
	White	10,740	12,370	12,435	14,320	15,170	14,225
	Other	100	120	160	200	225	255
Offers	Asian	1,085	1,175	1,210	1,435	1,755	1,955
	Black	535	665	735	885	925	1,055
	Mixed	425	530	525	610	765	795
	White	9,320	10,520	10,290	11,705	12,115	11,470
	Other	80	90	105	140	165	195
Offer rate	Asian	82.7%	80.4%	77.8%	72.4%	75.4%	78.7%
	Black	76.2%	73.2%	70.7%	66.2%	64.0%	68.5%
	Mixed	85.5%	82.8%	79.8%	77.1%	75.9%	78.7%
	White	86.7%	85.1%	82.8%	81.7%	79.9%	80.6%
	Other	78.4%	73.6%	65.8%	70.9%	72.1%	76.3%
Average offer rate	Asian	84.0%	82.2%	79.0%	75.0%	76.5%	80.2%
	Black	79.2%	76.0%	74.3%	70.8%	69.9%	73.9%
	Mixed	85.5%	83.1%	80.9%	78.2%	76.2%	77.6%
	White	86.4%	84.6%	82.2%	80.9%	79.1%	79.8%
	Other	83.5%	77.1%	71.7%	73.1%	73.5%	79.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-1.4	-1.8	-1.2	-2.7	-1.1	-1.5
	Black	-3.0	-2.8	-3.6	-4.6	-5.9	-5.4
	Mixed	0.0	-0.3	-1.1	-1.1	-0.3	1.1
	White	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.8
	Other	-5.1	-3.5	-5.9	-2.2	-1.4	-3.0
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.178	0.178	0.185	0.190	0.193	0.193
	Black	0.170	0.153	0.162	0.149	0.152	0.136
	Mixed	0.100	0.099	0.098	0.084	0.094	0.081
	White	0.825	0.817	0.805	0.791	0.776	0.749
	Other	0.067	0.064	0.072	0.073	0.053	0.042

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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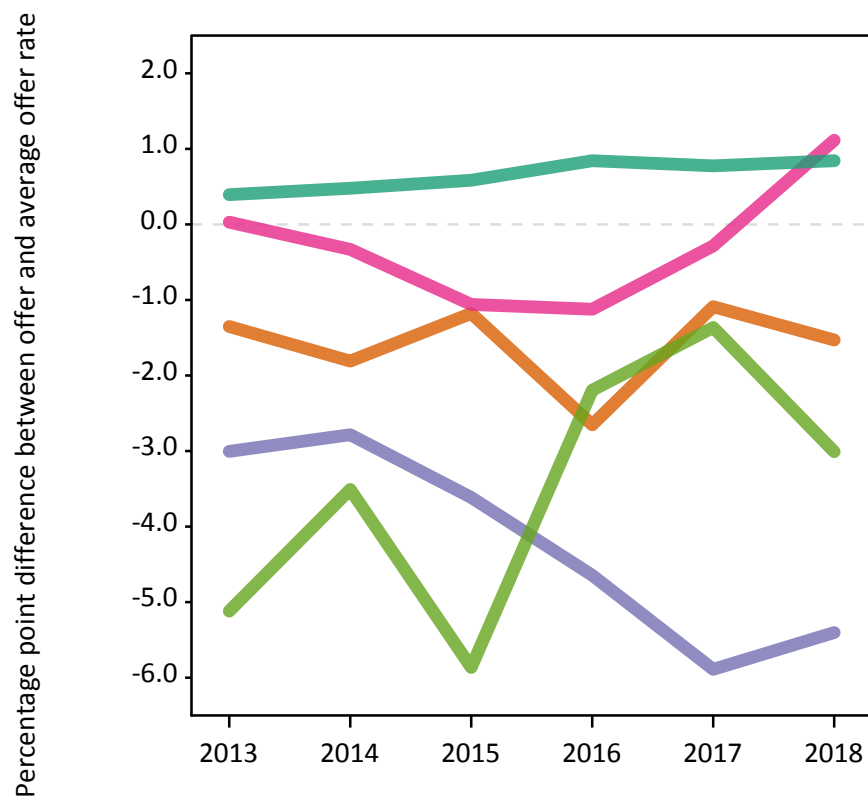
- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



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 2013-2018.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	17,415	19,910	20,655	24,040	25,220	23,925
Placed June deadline applicants	3,575	2,920	3,415	3,275	3,255	3,405
All placed applicants	3,710	3,090	3,595	3,415	3,415	3,735

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	18,275	20,955	21,745	25,165	26,460	25,065
Offers	14,750	16,480	16,565	18,720	19,290	18,740
Offer rate	80.7%	78.7%	76.2%	74.4%	72.9%	74.8%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	11,080	12,505	12,675	15,145	15,800	15,140
	Women	6,335	7,405	7,980	8,895	9,420	8,785
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	2,215	1,760	2,010	1,935	1,920	2,065
	Women	1,360	1,160	1,410	1,335	1,335	1,340
All placed applicants	Men	2,290	1,860	2,105	2,030	2,020	2,290
	Women	1,420	1,230	1,490	1,385	1,395	1,445

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	11,690	13,240	13,385	15,900	16,615	15,920
	Women	6,580	7,715	8,360	9,265	9,840	9,145
Offers	Men	9,150	10,150	9,810	11,395	11,785	11,515
	Women	5,600	6,330	6,755	7,325	7,505	7,220
Offer rate	Men	78.3%	76.7%	73.3%	71.7%	70.9%	72.3%
	Women	85.1%	82.1%	80.8%	79.1%	76.2%	79.0%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,275	1,485	1,470	1,805	1,995	1,730
	Quintile 2	2,035	2,410	2,495	3,045	3,010	2,860
	Quintile 3	3,135	3,605	3,820	4,320	4,520	4,295
	Quintile 4	4,145	4,655	4,945	5,625	5,990	5,765
	Quintile 5	6,775	7,720	7,885	9,180	9,630	9,210
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	235	180	215	240	245	215
	Quintile 2	380	345	390	400	345	400
	Quintile 3	650	545	610	585	560	575
	Quintile 4	880	665	805	765	800	845
	Quintile 5	1,425	1,190	1,385	1,265	1,290	1,360
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	235	185	235	250	260	230
	Quintile 2	395	355	410	410	360	430
	Quintile 3	670	575	635	615	595	620
	Quintile 4	915	710	855	800	825	930
	Quintile 5	1,485	1,260	1,460	1,325	1,365	1,515

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,340	1,575	1,535	1,880	2,080	1,795
	Quintile 2	2,115	2,540	2,605	3,195	3,170	2,985
	Quintile 3	3,295	3,805	4,015	4,530	4,740	4,495
	Quintile 4	4,360	4,895	5,235	5,875	6,275	6,050
	Quintile 5	7,110	8,100	8,305	9,615	10,115	9,660
Offers	Quintile 1	965	1,115	1,050	1,275	1,380	1,175
	Quintile 2	1,615	1,890	1,840	2,245	2,145	2,110
	Quintile 3	2,565	2,905	2,960	3,230	3,295	3,245
	Quintile 4	3,515	3,820	3,985	4,335	4,510	4,485
	Quintile 5	6,045	6,720	6,695	7,585	7,905	7,665
Offer rate	Quintile 1	71.9%	70.7%	68.4%	67.9%	66.3%	65.4%
	Quintile 2	76.4%	74.4%	70.7%	70.2%	67.7%	70.7%
	Quintile 3	77.9%	76.4%	73.8%	71.3%	69.5%	72.2%
	Quintile 4	80.7%	78.1%	76.2%	73.8%	71.9%	74.1%
	Quintile 5	85.0%	83.0%	80.6%	78.9%	78.1%	79.4%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,935	2,180	2,320	2,935	3,220	3,310
	Black	1,135	1,395	1,660	2,010	2,120	2,045
	Mixed	675	855	940	1,130	1,275	1,270
	White	13,425	15,185	15,345	17,485	18,080	16,735
	Other	175	205	265	310	365	365
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	320	230	295	280	330	410
	Black	185	135	205	190	220	220
	Mixed	125	105	160	135	160	175
	White	2,905	2,420	2,710	2,630	2,495	2,540
	Other	15	15	30	25	25	35
All placed applicants	Asian	345	260	325	305	365	470
	Black	200	155	225	200	235	275
	Mixed	140	110	170	145	170	200
	White	2,990	2,535	2,830	2,715	2,590	2,720
	Other	15	20	30	25	25	40

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	1,995	2,255	2,390	3,000	3,295	3,400
	Black	1,160	1,435	1,700	2,065	2,170	2,095
	Mixed	695	900	975	1,160	1,340	1,325
	White	14,165	16,060	16,280	18,445	19,115	17,660
	Other	180	205	270	320	370	375
Offers	Asian	1,540	1,705	1,730	2,020	2,295	2,505
	Black	780	920	1,055	1,205	1,235	1,285
	Mixed	555	690	705	830	940	975
	White	11,690	12,970	12,825	14,335	14,465	13,585
	Other	130	135	165	205	235	260
Offer rate	Asian	77.3%	75.5%	72.4%	67.4%	69.7%	73.6%
	Black	67.0%	64.1%	62.0%	58.2%	56.9%	61.3%
	Mixed	79.8%	76.5%	72.4%	71.4%	70.2%	73.7%
	White	82.5%	80.8%	78.8%	77.7%	75.7%	76.9%
	Other	71.9%	65.2%	61.3%	64.8%	63.5%	69.1%

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 2018 cycle runs from September 2017 through to October 2018.

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.

POLAR4 quintile

Developed by OfS, POLAR4 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). POLAR4 is based on the participation rates of young people between 2009-10 and 2013-14 if they entered higher education aged 18, or between 2010-11 and 2014-15 if they entered aged 19, 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 POLAR4 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 2018 End of Cycle Report and the 2018 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 POLAR4 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 POLAR4 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.