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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	6,925	7,100	5,925	6,775	6,325	6,605
Placed June deadline applicants	1,055	1,105	985	1,115	925	1,225
All placed applicants	1,270	1,350	1,310	1,340	1,140	1,390
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	91.0	94.2	77.3	90.4	85.4	91.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	13.8	14.6	12.9	14.9	12.5	16.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	16.7	17.9	17.1	17.9	15.4	19.2

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	7,270	7,395	6,190	7,035	6,575	6,855
Offers	5,620	5,815	4,590	5,385	5,415	5,830
Offer rate	77.3%	78.7%	74.2%	76.6%	82.3%	85.0%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	2,330	2,390	1,895	2,400	2,010	2,055
	Women	4,595	4,710	4,030	4,375	4,315	4,550
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	360	385	340	395	290	425
	Women	695	720	645	720	630	795
All placed applicants	Men	455	475	470	480	345	485
	Women	810	875	840	860	795	905
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	59.7	61.7	48.3	62.5	52.9	55.4
	Women	124.0	128.6	107.8	119.7	119.6	129.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	9.2	9.9	8.7	10.3	7.7	11.5
	Women	18.7	19.6	17.3	19.6	17.5	22.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	11.7	12.2	11.9	12.4	9.1	13.1
	Women	21.9	23.9	22.5	23.6	22.1	25.7

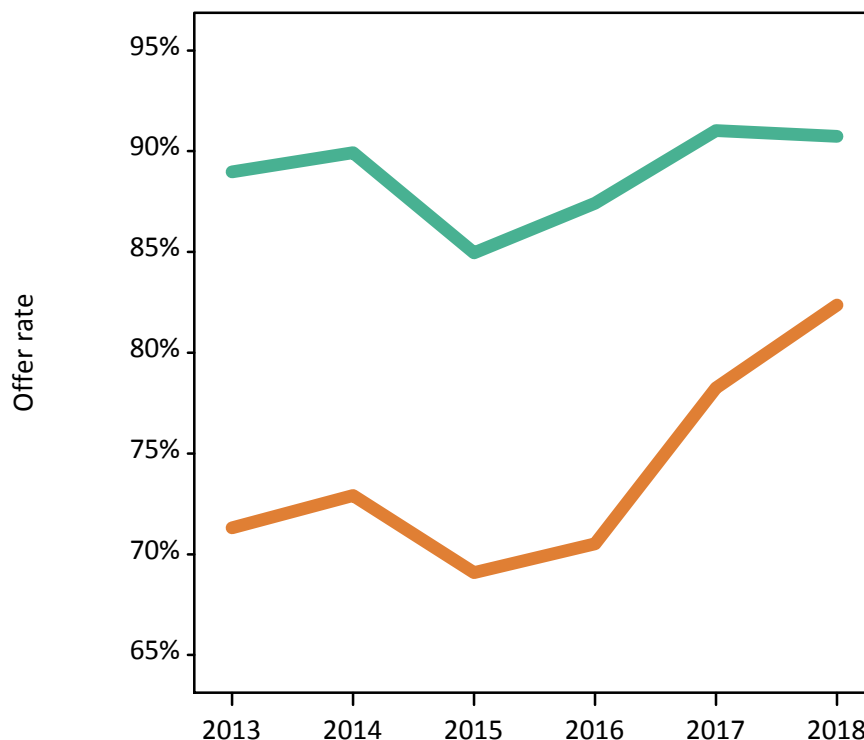
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	2,475	2,500	1,985	2,520	2,085	2,160
	Women	4,795	4,890	4,200	4,515	4,495	4,695
Offers	Men	2,200	2,250	1,690	2,200	1,895	1,960
	Women	3,420	3,565	2,905	3,185	3,515	3,870
Offer rate	Men	89.0%	89.9%	85.0%	87.4%	91.0%	90.7%
	Women	71.3%	72.9%	69.1%	70.5%	78.3%	82.4%
Average offer rate	Men	88.9%	90.0%	84.6%	86.4%	91.1%	90.8%
	Women	71.4%	72.9%	69.3%	71.1%	78.2%	82.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	0.1	-0.0	0.4	1.1	-0.1	-0.0
	Women	-0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.6	0.0	0.0
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.573	0.574	0.573	0.583	0.566	0.555
	Women	0.779	0.782	0.798	0.768	0.799	0.795

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
Women



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	860	975	750	845	880	865
	Quintile 2	1,305	1,255	1,050	1,220	1,130	1,175
	Quintile 3	1,535	1,620	1,380	1,560	1,465	1,505
	Quintile 4	1,660	1,640	1,475	1,690	1,595	1,695
	Quintile 5	1,555	1,600	1,260	1,435	1,230	1,340
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	140	175	135	140	130	185
	Quintile 2	215	175	165	185	165	225
	Quintile 3	250	280	230	305	215	300
	Quintile 4	255	265	260	290	250	320
	Quintile 5	195	210	190	195	160	195
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	155	195	165	165	155	200
	Quintile 2	245	225	215	220	200	255
	Quintile 3	295	330	310	360	275	340
	Quintile 4	320	335	360	355	320	370
	Quintile 5	250	260	260	235	190	220
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	61.0	69.4	53.1	62.2	65.8	66.7
	Quintile 2	89.8	87.5	71.9	86.0	80.9	86.9
	Quintile 3	103.2	110.8	92.0	106.4	101.0	106.7
	Quintile 4	107.6	107.4	95.4	110.9	105.6	114.8
	Quintile 5	90.3	94.0	72.5	83.2	71.8	79.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	9.9	12.3	9.5	10.2	9.9	14.1
	Quintile 2	14.9	12.1	11.4	12.9	11.7	16.6
	Quintile 3	16.8	19.1	15.5	20.7	14.9	21.3
	Quintile 4	16.4	17.3	16.9	18.9	16.5	21.6
	Quintile 5	11.3	12.3	11.0	11.2	9.3	11.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	11.0	13.7	11.5	12.0	11.7	15.5
	Quintile 2	16.9	15.6	14.7	15.6	14.3	19.0
	Quintile 3	20.0	22.7	20.7	24.5	18.8	24.0
	Quintile 4	20.7	22.0	23.2	23.2	21.2	24.9
	Quintile 5	14.5	15.3	14.9	13.6	11.0	13.2

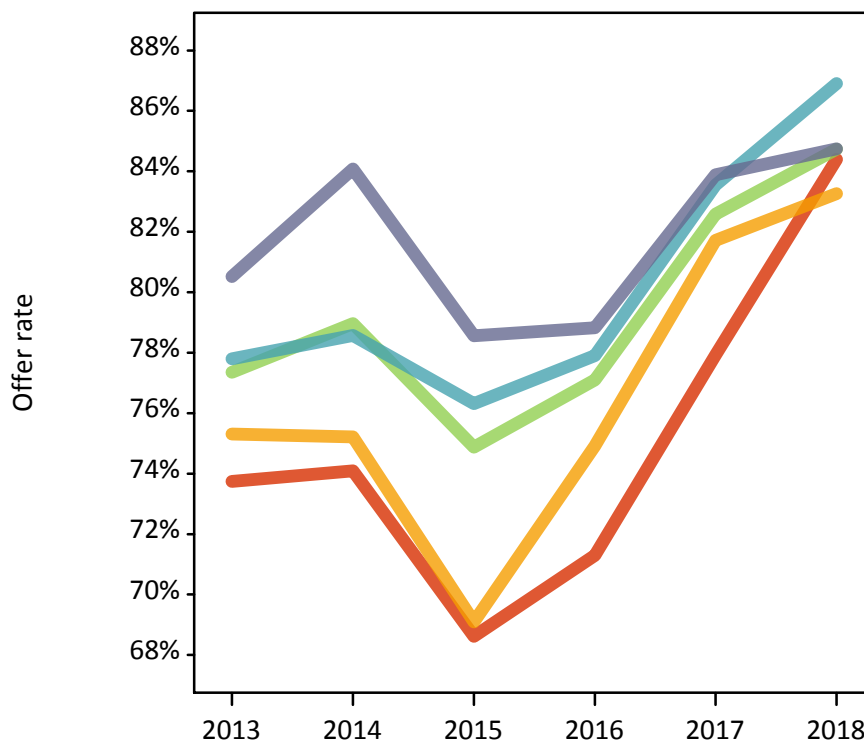
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	920	1,025	805	890	925	930
	Quintile 2	1,375	1,305	1,100	1,270	1,175	1,230
	Quintile 3	1,625	1,700	1,445	1,615	1,540	1,550
	Quintile 4	1,735	1,710	1,540	1,755	1,655	1,750
	Quintile 5	1,600	1,645	1,290	1,480	1,260	1,370
Offers	Quintile 1	675	760	550	635	720	785
	Quintile 2	1,035	985	760	955	960	1,025
	Quintile 3	1,255	1,345	1,080	1,245	1,270	1,315
	Quintile 4	1,350	1,340	1,175	1,370	1,380	1,520
	Quintile 5	1,290	1,385	1,015	1,165	1,055	1,160
Offer rate	Quintile 1	73.7%	74.1%	68.6%	71.3%	77.9%	84.4%
	Quintile 2	75.3%	75.2%	69.1%	74.9%	81.7%	83.3%
	Quintile 3	77.4%	79.0%	74.9%	77.1%	82.6%	84.7%
	Quintile 4	77.8%	78.6%	76.3%	77.9%	83.5%	86.9%
	Quintile 5	80.5%	84.1%	78.6%	78.8%	83.9%	84.7%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	75.5%	75.0%	71.0%	74.2%	79.9%	84.0%
	Quintile 2	75.2%	76.3%	71.6%	74.9%	81.0%	84.3%
	Quintile 3	77.3%	78.7%	74.0%	76.5%	82.5%	84.6%
	Quintile 4	77.2%	78.6%	75.1%	78.0%	83.5%	86.3%
	Quintile 5	80.3%	82.9%	77.5%	77.7%	83.3%	85.1%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-1.8	-0.9	-2.4	-2.9	-2.0	0.4
	Quintile 2	0.1	-1.1	-2.5	0.0	0.7	-1.0
	Quintile 3	0.1	0.2	0.9	0.6	0.1	0.2
	Quintile 4	0.6	-0.0	1.2	-0.1	0.1	0.6
	Quintile 5	0.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	0.5	-0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.206	0.210	0.217	0.211	0.221	0.195
	Quintile 2	0.263	0.247	0.259	0.247	0.248	0.236
	Quintile 3	0.295	0.293	0.307	0.297	0.302	0.283
	Quintile 4	0.311	0.297	0.324	0.322	0.322	0.311
	Quintile 5	0.311	0.314	0.299	0.289	0.285	0.276

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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.

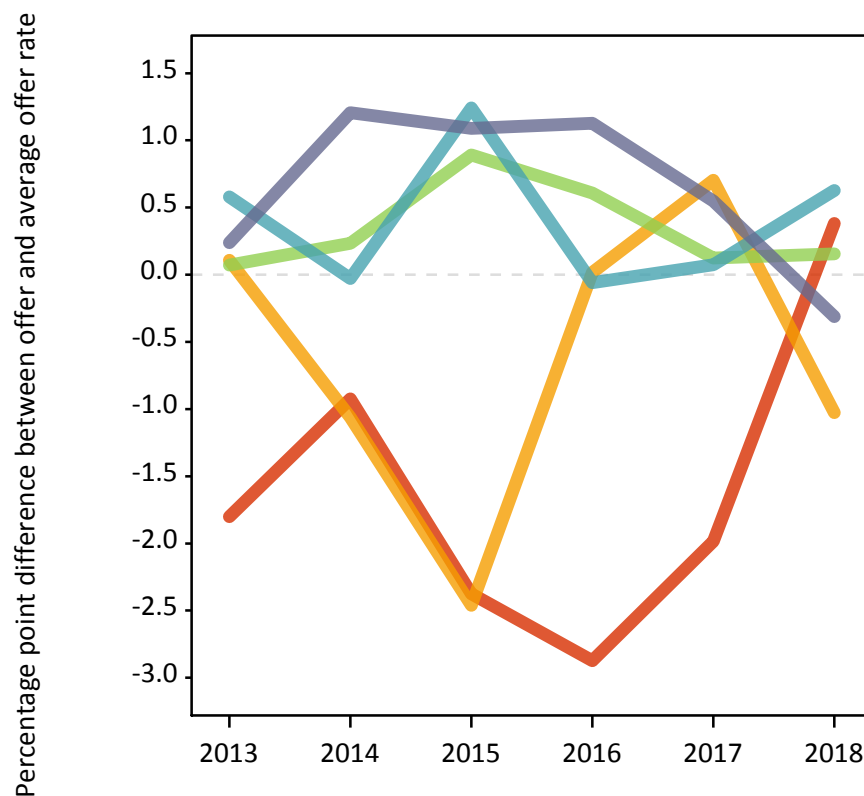
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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.

- 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	610	650	515	635	585	675
	Black	640	825	870	1,145	1,300	1,390
	Mixed	240	290	240	340	300	345
	White	5,360	5,245	4,230	4,560	4,045	4,100
	Other	60	70	45	65	75	75
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	80	90	90	90	70	85
	Black	115	135	170	270	270	320
	Mixed	35	45	35	50	40	75
	White	815	815	680	685	535	725
	Other	10	10	5	10	5	10
All placed applicants	Asian	115	130	125	115	90	105
	Black	175	220	290	355	355	375
	Mixed	45	55	50	60	60	85
	White	925	930	825	790	625	810
	Other	10	15	15	15	10	10
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	92.8	95.7	72.6	88.2	79.5	90.9
	Black	215.6	271.5	272.7	366.4	413.8	445.1
	Mixed	88.8	101.5	78.2	108.0	93.5	106.2
	White	85.2	85.0	67.9	75.4	68.1	71.4
	Other	65.1	76.3	47.7	66.3	71.8	69.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	12.0	13.3	13.0	12.5	9.2	11.5
	Black	38.1	45.2	53.4	86.9	85.2	102.3
	Mixed	12.6	16.0	11.7	16.2	12.8	23.8
	White	13.0	13.2	10.9	11.3	9.0	12.6
	Other	12.1	11.8	5.2	12.1	6.8	9.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	17.3	18.9	17.8	15.7	12.1	13.9
	Black	58.3	72.9	91.1	113.4	112.2	120.9
	Mixed	15.9	18.8	15.9	19.7	18.7	26.0
	White	14.7	15.0	13.2	13.0	10.5	14.1
	Other	13.2	14.0	13.5	14.1	7.8	9.5

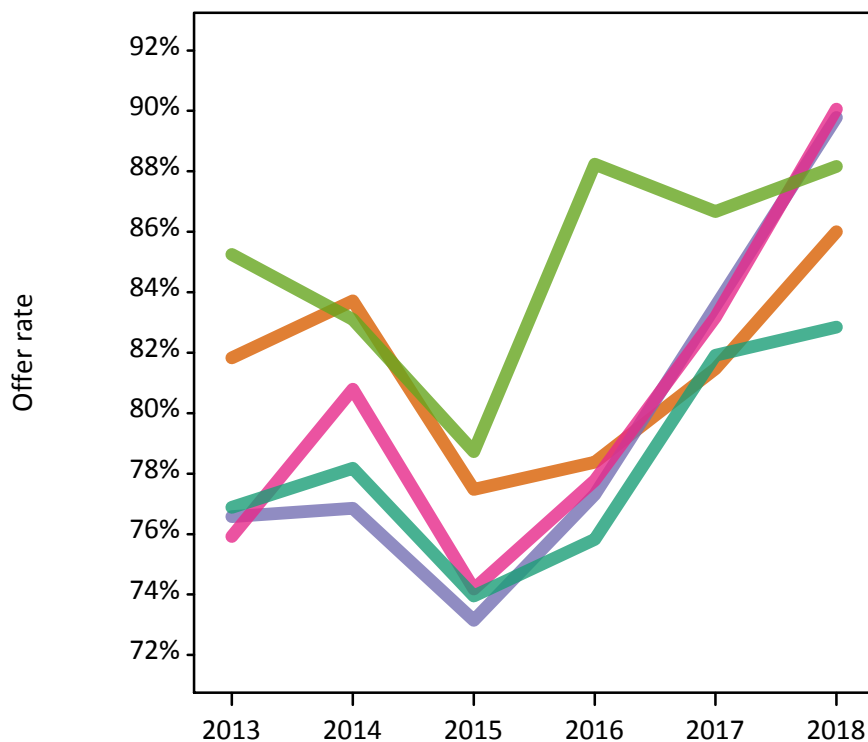
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	645	665	565	650	610	700
	Black	650	840	875	1,160	1,330	1,410
	Mixed	245	300	245	350	315	350
	White	5,655	5,500	4,425	4,780	4,225	4,290
	Other	60	70	45	70	75	75
Offers	Asian	525	555	435	510	495	600
	Black	495	645	640	895	1,110	1,265
	Mixed	185	245	180	275	260	315
	White	4,350	4,300	3,275	3,625	3,460	3,555
	Other	50	60	35	60	65	65
Offer rate	Asian	81.8%	83.7%	77.5%	78.4%	81.5%	86.0%
	Black	76.6%	76.8%	73.1%	77.3%	83.5%	89.8%
	Mixed	75.9%	80.8%	74.2%	77.8%	83.2%	90.1%
	White	76.9%	78.2%	74.0%	75.8%	81.9%	82.8%
	Other	85.2%	83.1%	78.7%	88.2%	86.7%	88.2%
Average offer rate	Asian	81.3%	83.9%	78.0%	79.6%	84.4%	85.5%
	Black	77.5%	78.7%	73.4%	78.0%	83.3%	89.2%
	Mixed	76.9%	83.4%	75.2%	78.1%	84.4%	87.5%
	White	76.8%	77.6%	73.7%	75.5%	81.5%	83.3%
	Other	83.5%	86.6%	80.8%	85.0%	87.0%	87.9%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	0.5	-0.2	-0.5	-1.3	-2.9	0.5
	Black	-0.9	-1.9	-0.3	-0.7	0.3	0.6
	Mixed	-0.9	-2.6	-1.1	-0.3	-1.2	2.6
	White	0.1	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.4	-0.4
	Other	1.8	-3.5	N/A	3.2	-0.3	0.2
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.210	0.194	0.225	0.192	0.192	0.188
	Black	0.212	0.228	0.276	0.294	0.340	0.320
	Mixed	0.111	0.123	0.128	0.125	0.129	0.116
	White	0.815	0.783	0.767	0.734	0.715	0.693
	Other	0.106	0.108	0.110	0.084	0.079	0.135

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 2013-2018.

- 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	15,115	14,900	13,015	14,320	12,650	12,310
Placed June deadline applicants	2,545	2,585	2,385	2,650	2,165	2,560
All placed applicants	3,080	3,230	3,175	3,230	2,770	3,015

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	16,255	16,100	13,920	15,305	13,565	13,150
Offers	10,425	10,560	8,635	9,825	9,700	10,100
Offer rate	64.1%	65.6%	62.0%	64.2%	71.5%	76.8%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	5,195	5,015	4,280	4,970	4,160	3,980
	Women	9,920	9,880	8,740	9,355	8,490	8,330
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	975	925	840	945	725	900
	Women	1,570	1,660	1,545	1,705	1,440	1,660
All placed applicants	Men	1,205	1,185	1,180	1,190	930	1,075
	Women	1,875	2,045	1,995	2,040	1,840	1,945

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	5,610	5,445	4,600	5,360	4,445	4,315
	Women	10,645	10,655	9,320	9,945	9,120	8,840
Offers	Men	4,320	4,235	3,340	4,025	3,615	3,575
	Women	6,110	6,330	5,300	5,800	6,085	6,525
Offer rate	Men	77.0%	77.8%	72.6%	75.1%	81.3%	82.8%
	Women	57.4%	59.4%	56.8%	58.3%	66.7%	73.9%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,255	2,305	1,975	2,160	1,915	1,875
	Quintile 2	2,930	2,785	2,445	2,665	2,355	2,265
	Quintile 3	3,455	3,430	2,995	3,285	2,940	2,780
	Quintile 4	3,420	3,390	3,070	3,475	3,150	3,015
	Quintile 5	3,020	2,965	2,510	2,690	2,235	2,320
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	390	430	385	375	340	425
	Quintile 2	525	435	440	520	395	490
	Quintile 3	655	655	560	645	530	615
	Quintile 4	535	625	575	665	560	640
	Quintile 5	435	440	420	425	325	380
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	460	510	480	460	425	495
	Quintile 2	610	560	580	625	515	570
	Quintile 3	770	790	755	785	680	715
	Quintile 4	685	785	790	810	735	770
	Quintile 5	540	570	560	530	405	450

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,520	2,560	2,180	2,355	2,100	2,060
	Quintile 2	3,160	3,005	2,640	2,865	2,570	2,465
	Quintile 3	3,760	3,750	3,230	3,540	3,170	2,965
	Quintile 4	3,645	3,655	3,250	3,690	3,345	3,185
	Quintile 5	3,140	3,100	2,600	2,805	2,320	2,410
Offers	Quintile 1	1,455	1,485	1,170	1,320	1,370	1,530
	Quintile 2	1,960	1,845	1,530	1,770	1,835	1,815
	Quintile 3	2,385	2,470	2,000	2,230	2,220	2,265
	Quintile 4	2,390	2,455	2,115	2,480	2,455	2,550
	Quintile 5	2,215	2,285	1,800	1,990	1,770	1,895
Offer rate	Quintile 1	57.7%	58.0%	53.7%	56.1%	65.1%	74.2%
	Quintile 2	62.1%	61.4%	58.0%	61.8%	71.3%	73.7%
	Quintile 3	63.4%	65.9%	62.0%	63.0%	70.1%	76.5%
	Quintile 4	65.6%	67.2%	65.0%	67.2%	73.5%	80.0%
	Quintile 5	70.7%	73.7%	69.3%	71.0%	76.4%	78.6%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,415	1,345	1,155	1,315	1,160	1,175
	Black	2,540	2,750	2,855	3,440	3,450	3,365
	Mixed	570	625	510	660	615	600
	White	10,365	9,955	8,285	8,665	7,195	6,915
	Other	155	160	125	155	160	175
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	200	200	205	205	145	180
	Black	435	470	520	710	670	760
	Mixed	95	105	95	115	110	145
	White	1,775	1,780	1,535	1,580	1,205	1,425
	Other	25	20	20	25	15	30
All placed applicants	Asian	270	295	295	265	190	220
	Black	615	685	825	925	930	910
	Mixed	120	125	130	150	140	170
	White	2,025	2,080	1,865	1,840	1,455	1,655
	Other	35	25	35	30	30	30

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	1,500	1,395	1,250	1,385	1,220	1,235
	Black	2,745	2,980	3,020	3,615	3,655	3,560
	Mixed	615	685	530	705	675	635
	White	11,160	10,795	8,880	9,350	7,770	7,450
	Other	160	175	135	160	165	180
Offers	Asian	1,045	1,030	810	940	900	1,010
	Black	1,410	1,580	1,510	2,005	2,370	2,670
	Mixed	395	460	345	480	505	520
	White	7,420	7,345	5,825	6,240	5,745	5,680
	Other	110	110	85	105	130	145
Offer rate	Asian	69.8%	73.9%	65.0%	67.8%	73.6%	81.6%
	Black	51.4%	53.0%	50.1%	55.5%	64.8%	75.0%
	Mixed	64.8%	66.7%	65.4%	68.1%	75.2%	82.3%
	White	66.5%	68.0%	65.6%	66.7%	73.9%	76.3%
	Other	67.3%	64.2%	61.3%	65.4%	78.5%	80.9%

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 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.