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

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

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- 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	13,625	13,150	13,380	13,050	12,765	11,730
Placed June deadline applicants	3,185	2,765	2,700	2,815	2,840	2,675
All placed applicants	3,450	3,075	3,055	3,195	3,245	3,025
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	179.0	174.6	174.6	174.1	172.3	162.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	41.8	36.7	35.2	37.6	38.3	37.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	45.3	40.9	39.9	42.6	43.8	41.9

## P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	15,320	14,765	15,060	14,750	14,460	13,290
Offers	12,195	11,760	12,145	12,120	12,355	12,155
Offer rate	79.6%	79.6%	80.6%	82.2%	85.4%	91.5%

### P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	5,840	5,620	5,565	5,415	5,390	5,000
	Women	7,785	7,530	7,815	7,630	7,375	6,735
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,470	1,220	1,230	1,310	1,290	1,185
	Women	1,710	1,545	1,470	1,505	1,550	1,490
All placed applicants	Men	1,590	1,375	1,390	1,475	1,445	1,335
	Women	1,860	1,705	1,670	1,720	1,800	1,690
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	149.5	145.1	141.8	141.0	141.9	134.9
	Women	210.1	205.7	209.2	208.8	204.3	191.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	37.7	31.6	31.3	34.2	34.0	32.0
	Women	46.2	42.2	39.3	41.1	42.9	42.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	40.7	35.5	35.4	38.4	38.1	36.0
	Women	50.1	46.5	44.6	47.0	49.8	48.1

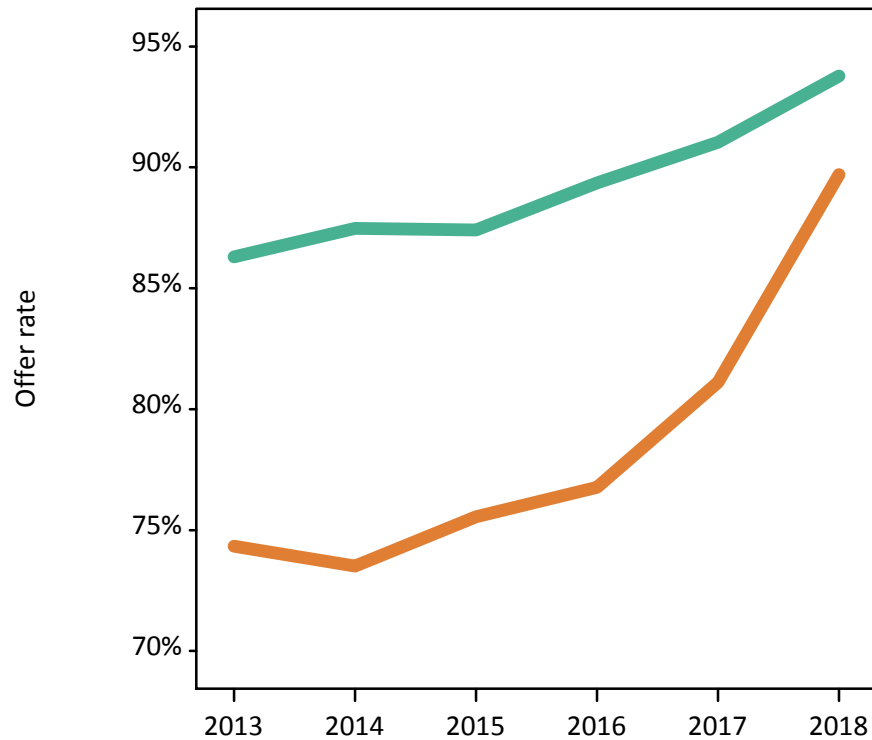
### P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	6,755	6,485	6,460	6,325	6,315	5,810
	Women	8,560	8,280	8,600	8,425	8,140	7,475
Offers	Men	5,830	5,670	5,645	5,650	5,750	5,450
	Women	6,365	6,090	6,495	6,470	6,605	6,705
Offer rate	Men	86.3%	87.5%	87.4%	89.4%	91.0%	93.8%
	Women	74.3%	73.5%	75.6%	76.8%	81.1%	89.7%
Average offer rate	Men	86.2%	87.6%	87.6%	89.9%	91.5%	94.2%
	Women	74.4%	73.4%	75.4%	76.3%	80.7%	89.4%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.6	-0.5	-0.4
	Women	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.619	0.625	0.615	0.629	0.618	0.620
	Women	0.699	0.706	0.711	0.721	0.704	0.705

### 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.

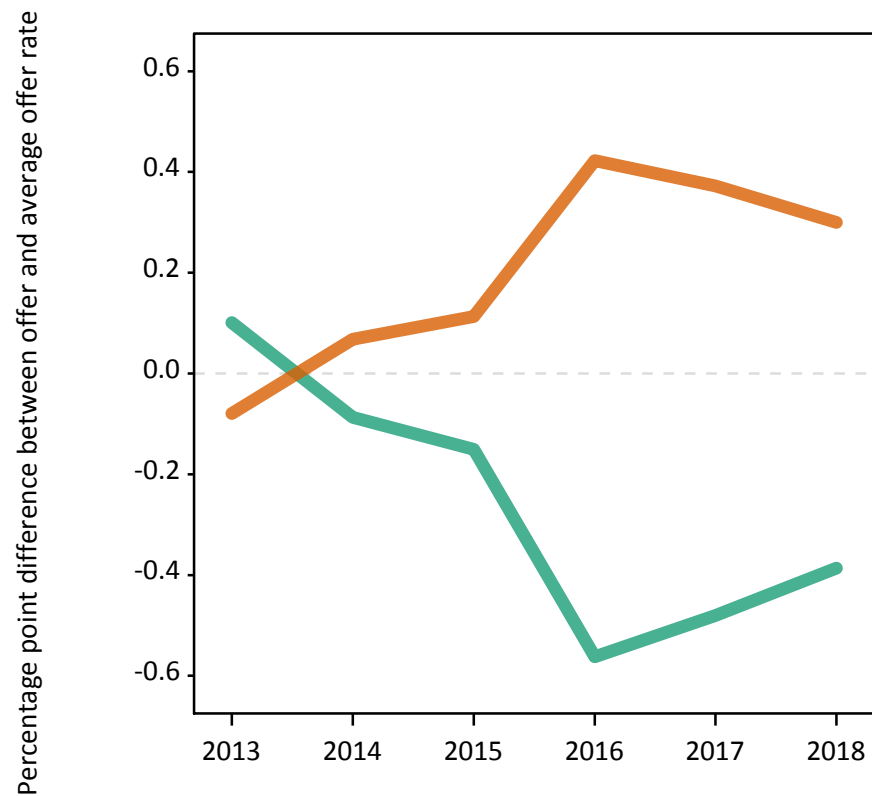
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### P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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	1,825	1,940	2,095	2,065	2,030	1,775
	Quintile 2	2,450	2,515	2,540	2,520	2,420	2,210
	Quintile 3	2,585	2,530	2,610	2,510	2,320	2,150
	Quintile 4	3,010	2,785	2,760	2,535	2,690	2,505
	Quintile 5	3,725	3,360	3,355	3,400	3,285	3,065
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	380	410	475	485	515	470
	Quintile 2	595	585	575	610	615	580
	Quintile 3	665	530	550	545	545	515
	Quintile 4	715	565	520	505	550	545
	Quintile 5	825	670	570	660	610	560
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	415	455	535	540	580	525
	Quintile 2	645	635	645	695	685	670
	Quintile 3	720	585	625	625	615	560
	Quintile 4	760	630	585	570	635	615
	Quintile 5	905	765	660	755	725	655
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	129.6	137.9	148.0	151.6	151.8	136.5
	Quintile 2	168.9	175.1	173.9	177.5	173.3	163.3
	Quintile 3	174.0	172.8	174.0	171.1	160.0	152.7
	Quintile 4	195.3	182.7	178.3	166.2	177.8	169.8
	Quintile 5	216.1	197.4	193.2	197.2	191.5	182.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	27.0	29.2	33.7	35.6	38.5	36.2
	Quintile 2	41.0	40.8	39.4	43.0	44.1	42.9
	Quintile 3	44.9	36.1	36.7	37.3	37.6	36.4
	Quintile 4	46.3	37.2	33.5	33.3	36.2	37.0
	Quintile 5	47.8	39.3	32.9	38.4	35.7	33.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	29.4	32.4	37.8	39.8	43.4	40.5
	Quintile 2	44.4	44.3	44.0	49.0	48.9	49.4
	Quintile 3	48.3	39.9	41.8	42.6	42.5	39.7
	Quintile 4	49.4	41.2	37.8	37.3	41.9	41.5
	Quintile 5	52.5	45.1	38.0	43.9	42.3	38.8

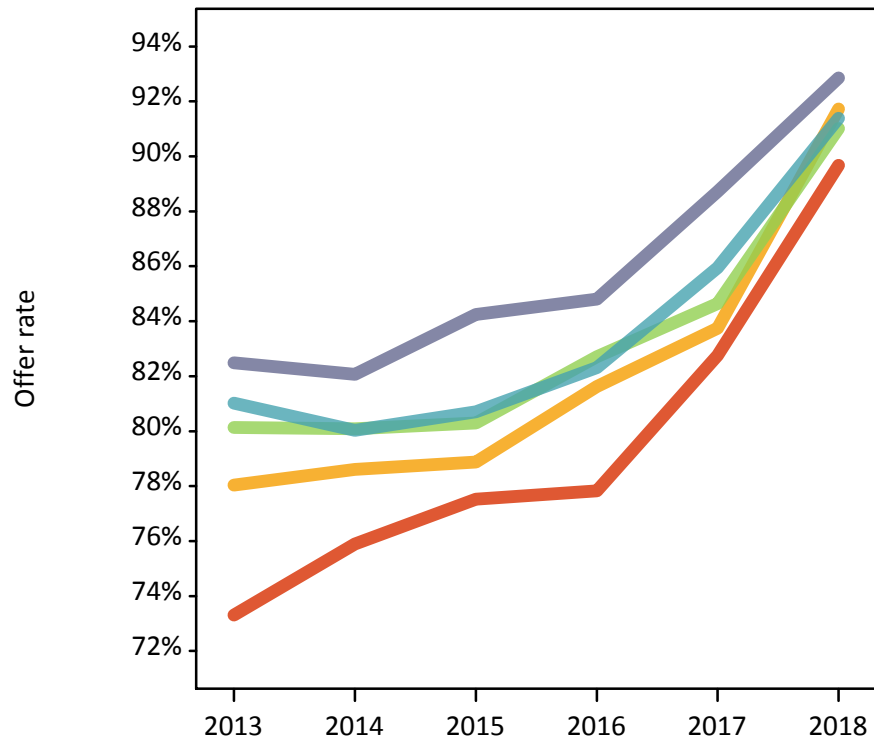
## P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,110	2,235	2,410	2,410	2,405	2,070
	Quintile 2	2,795	2,900	2,935	2,925	2,780	2,575
	Quintile 3	2,940	2,840	2,930	2,845	2,650	2,485
	Quintile 4	3,350	3,055	3,055	2,795	3,005	2,775
	Quintile 5	4,095	3,710	3,705	3,745	3,590	3,355
Offers	Quintile 1	1,545	1,695	1,870	1,875	1,990	1,860
	Quintile 2	2,180	2,280	2,315	2,390	2,330	2,360
	Quintile 3	2,355	2,275	2,350	2,355	2,245	2,260
	Quintile 4	2,715	2,445	2,465	2,300	2,580	2,535
	Quintile 5	3,375	3,045	3,120	3,175	3,185	3,115
Offer rate	Quintile 1	73.3%	75.9%	77.5%	77.8%	82.8%	89.7%
	Quintile 2	78.0%	78.6%	78.9%	81.6%	83.7%	91.7%
	Quintile 3	80.1%	80.1%	80.3%	82.7%	84.6%	91.0%
	Quintile 4	81.0%	80.0%	80.7%	82.3%	85.9%	91.4%
	Quintile 5	82.5%	82.1%	84.2%	84.8%	88.7%	92.9%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	75.0%	76.5%	78.8%	78.4%	82.8%	90.9%
	Quintile 2	77.9%	77.8%	78.8%	81.5%	84.3%	92.0%
	Quintile 3	79.2%	79.5%	80.4%	82.0%	85.2%	91.0%
	Quintile 4	80.5%	80.3%	79.9%	82.3%	85.6%	91.3%
	Quintile 5	82.8%	82.5%	84.0%	85.0%	88.2%	92.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-1.7	-0.7	-1.3	-0.5	-0.0	-1.2
	Quintile 2	0.2	0.8	0.1	0.1	-0.5	-0.3
	Quintile 3	0.9	0.6	-0.1	0.7	-0.6	0.0
	Quintile 4	0.5	-0.3	0.8	-0.0	0.3	0.1
	Quintile 5	-0.3	-0.4	0.2	-0.2	0.5	0.9
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.212	0.223	0.232	0.232	0.240	0.217
	Quintile 2	0.237	0.260	0.251	0.251	0.248	0.243
	Quintile 3	0.242	0.241	0.247	0.243	0.233	0.228
	Quintile 4	0.268	0.263	0.257	0.241	0.257	0.252
	Quintile 5	0.350	0.337	0.337	0.345	0.339	0.320

### P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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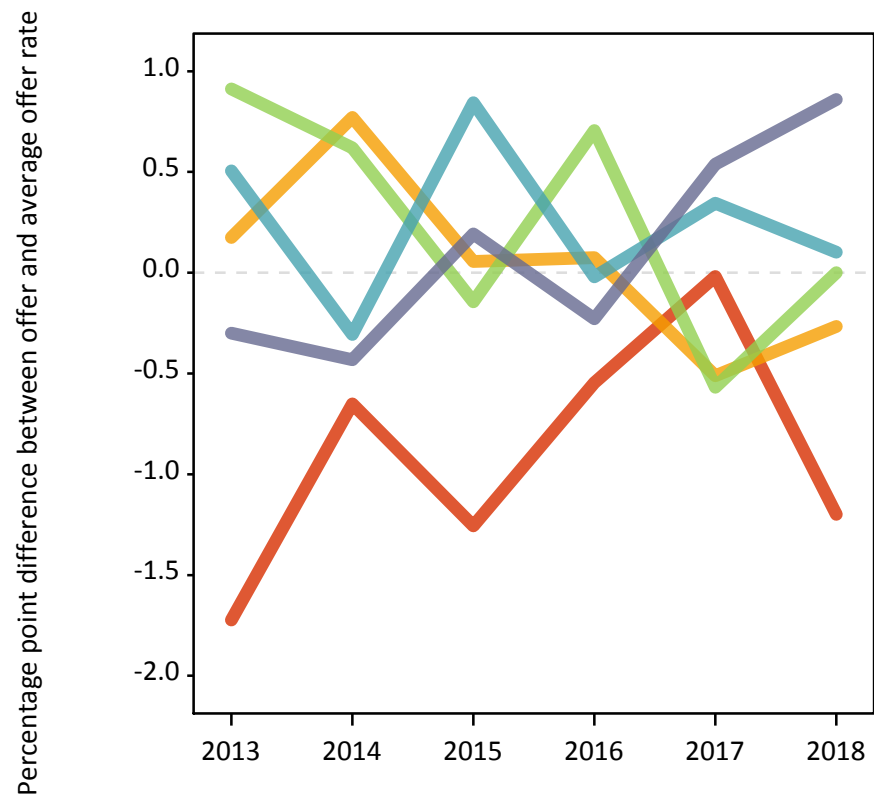
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- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



### 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	380	350	455	495	525	505
	Black	180	185	245	180	210	200
	Mixed	275	290	330	325	325	340
	White	12,730	12,285	12,270	11,965	11,630	10,605
	Other	45	25	50	60	55	55
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	80	65	95	125	120	115
	Black	20	25	20	20	30	35
	Mixed	60	50	55	65	75	70
	White	3,010	2,615	2,515	2,590	2,595	2,425
	Other	5	5	10	15	15	15
All placed applicants	Asian	90	75	120	155	145	145
	Black	25	35	25	30	35	50
	Mixed	70	60	65	80	85	80
	White	3,255	2,900	2,830	2,910	2,955	2,725
	Other	5	10	15	15	20	15
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	57.3	51.6	64.1	68.9	71.1	68.1
	Black	60.3	61.4	77.0	57.5	66.4	63.5
	Mixed	101.3	100.5	107.0	103.6	101.6	105.0
	White	202.3	199.2	196.9	197.8	195.9	184.7
	Other	50.7	26.9	53.9	60.3	52.4	50.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	12.4	9.7	13.7	17.1	16.2	15.6
	Black	7.4	7.9	6.0	6.7	10.2	11.5
	Mixed	22.9	18.1	17.2	21.3	22.7	22.3
	White	47.8	42.4	40.4	42.8	43.7	42.3
	Other	7.7	6.4	12.4	14.1	14.6	12.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	13.8	10.9	16.8	21.3	19.6	19.4
	Black	8.1	11.5	7.2	9.6	11.1	15.4
	Mixed	25.1	20.5	21.1	25.1	26.5	24.2
	White	51.7	47.0	45.4	48.1	49.8	47.5
	Other	7.7	8.6	14.5	16.1	19.4	16.2



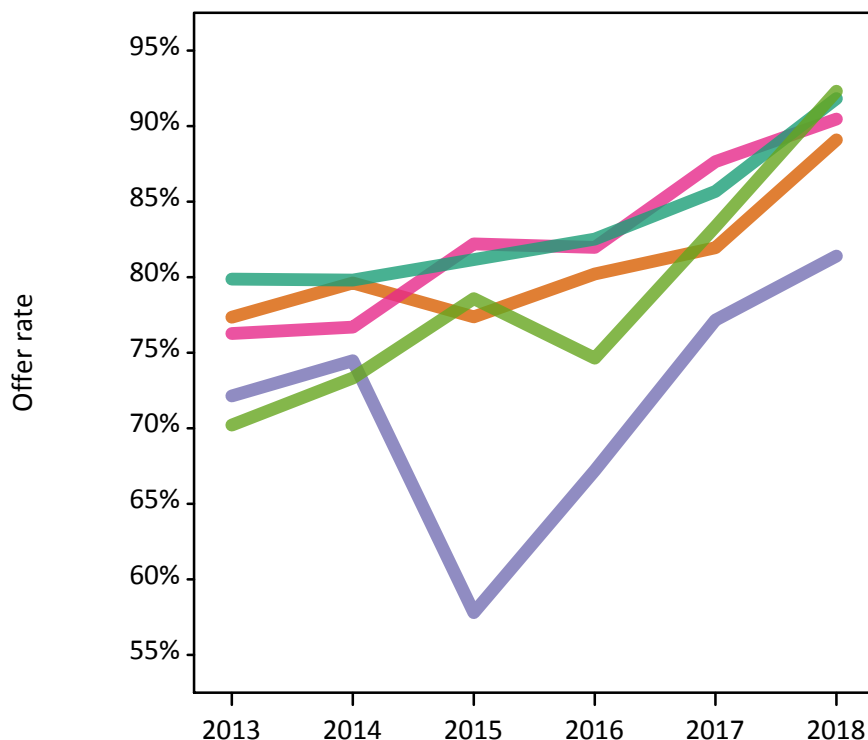
## P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	445	410	540	600	615	595
	Black	185	190	255	190	220	215
	Mixed	295	310	355	355	355	365
	White	14,330	13,810	13,820	13,510	13,170	12,010
	Other	45	30	55	70	65	65
Offers	Asian	345	330	415	480	505	530
	Black	130	145	150	125	170	175
	Mixed	225	235	290	290	310	330
	White	11,445	11,020	11,215	11,150	11,285	11,025
	Other	35	20	45	55	55	60
Offer rate	Asian	77.4%	79.6%	77.4%	80.2%	82.0%	89.1%
	Black	72.1%	74.5%	57.8%	67.2%	77.2%	81.4%
	Mixed	76.3%	76.7%	82.2%	82.0%	87.6%	90.5%
	White	79.9%	79.8%	81.2%	82.5%	85.7%	91.8%
	Other	70.2%	73.3%	78.6%	74.6%	83.3%	92.3%
Average offer rate	Asian	78.8%	80.7%	80.1%	83.2%	85.5%	91.3%
	Black	77.4%	81.1%	70.1%	76.8%	84.5%	88.5%
	Mixed	81.5%	78.7%	84.4%	83.1%	89.4%	91.8%
	White	79.6%	79.6%	80.7%	82.2%	85.3%	91.5%
	Other	81.6%	85.4%	83.9%	82.9%	88.2%	95.1%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-1.4	-1.0	-2.8	-3.0	-3.6	-2.3
	Black	-5.3	-6.7	-12.3	-9.6	-7.4	-7.1
	Mixed	-5.3	-2.0	-2.2	-1.2	-1.7	-1.3
	White	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3
	Other	N/A	N/A	-5.3	-8.3	-4.8	-2.8
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.119	0.117	0.114	0.126	0.131	0.104
	Black	0.082	0.081	0.084	0.085	0.089	0.072
	Mixed	0.090	0.085	0.086	0.090	0.081	0.068
	White	0.942	0.941	0.925	0.923	0.920	0.910
	Other	0.137	0.073	0.066	0.078	0.080	0.046

### 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.

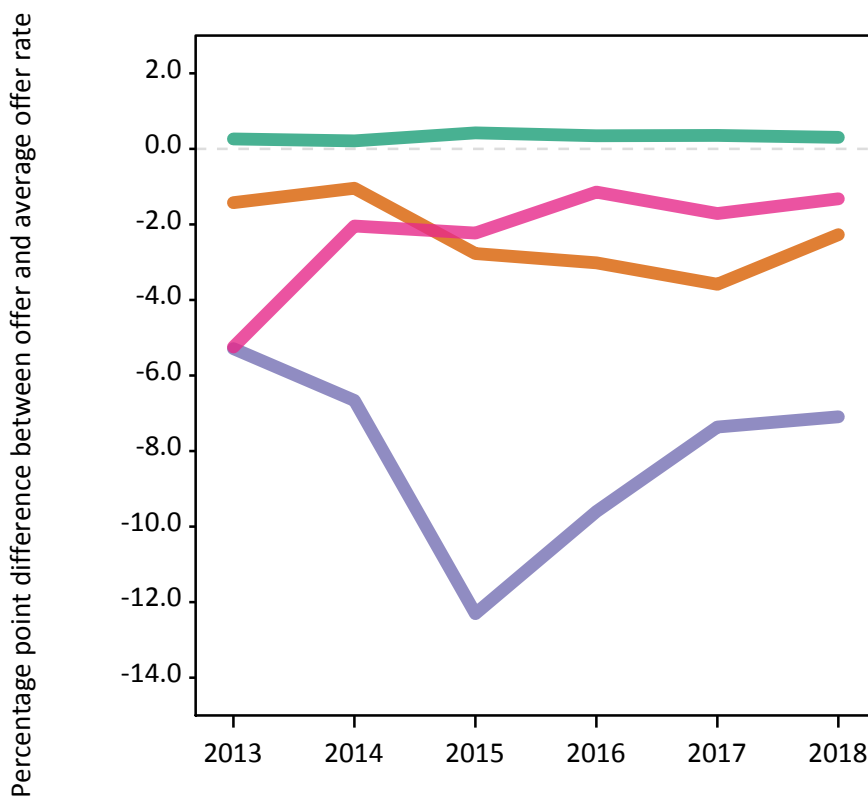
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- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



### 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	23,040	22,770	23,195	21,930	20,985	19,010
Placed June deadline applicants	5,590	5,045	4,915	5,085	5,085	4,880
All placed applicants	6,060	5,595	5,605	5,885	5,820	5,545

### P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	26,435	26,160	26,370	25,065	24,035	21,870
Offers	18,780	18,565	19,020	18,455	18,795	18,835
Offer rate	71.0%	71.0%	72.1%	73.6%	78.2%	86.1%

### P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	9,855	9,615	9,580	8,875	8,805	7,995
	Women	13,185	13,155	13,615	13,055	12,180	11,015
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	2,540	2,250	2,155	2,230	2,250	2,125
	Women	3,050	2,795	2,760	2,860	2,830	2,755
All placed applicants	Men	2,770	2,525	2,495	2,620	2,575	2,425
	Women	3,290	3,075	3,110	3,265	3,245	3,120

### P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	11,630	11,345	11,220	10,495	10,440	9,445
	Women	14,805	14,815	15,150	14,570	13,595	12,425
Offers	Men	9,245	9,245	9,050	8,640	8,875	8,390
	Women	9,535	9,320	9,970	9,815	9,920	10,450
Offer rate	Men	79.5%	81.5%	80.7%	82.4%	85.0%	88.8%
	Women	64.4%	62.9%	65.8%	67.4%	73.0%	84.1%

### P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	3,695	3,835	4,030	3,795	3,705	3,210
	Quintile 2	4,470	4,590	4,570	4,505	4,180	3,800
	Quintile 3	4,315	4,325	4,465	4,130	3,870	3,525
	Quintile 4	4,775	4,605	4,620	4,200	4,195	3,880
	Quintile 5	5,730	5,375	5,480	5,260	5,000	4,550
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	860	795	935	905	965	895
	Quintile 2	1,165	1,125	1,070	1,145	1,145	1,065
	Quintile 3	1,120	975	975	975	980	965
	Quintile 4	1,095	1,000	915	925	910	960
	Quintile 5	1,335	1,140	1,010	1,135	1,075	980
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	930	875	1,050	1,020	1,095	1,025
	Quintile 2	1,255	1,220	1,200	1,310	1,280	1,225
	Quintile 3	1,210	1,080	1,125	1,130	1,130	1,085
	Quintile 4	1,185	1,110	1,040	1,090	1,050	1,070
	Quintile 5	1,475	1,300	1,180	1,320	1,255	1,130

### P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	4,380	4,515	4,675	4,420	4,395	3,800
	Quintile 2	5,235	5,435	5,310	5,275	4,895	4,470
	Quintile 3	4,990	4,945	5,090	4,750	4,460	4,120
	Quintile 4	5,345	5,145	5,140	4,725	4,710	4,375
	Quintile 5	6,415	6,065	6,115	5,845	5,540	5,055
Offers	Quintile 1	2,735	2,850	3,115	2,945	3,215	3,165
	Quintile 2	3,570	3,720	3,685	3,775	3,730	3,835
	Quintile 3	3,625	3,550	3,630	3,525	3,435	3,515
	Quintile 4	3,920	3,770	3,830	3,530	3,740	3,785
	Quintile 5	4,890	4,645	4,730	4,640	4,640	4,495
Offer rate	Quintile 1	62.4%	63.1%	66.7%	66.6%	73.2%	83.3%
	Quintile 2	68.2%	68.5%	69.4%	71.6%	76.2%	85.8%
	Quintile 3	72.6%	71.7%	71.3%	74.2%	77.1%	85.3%
	Quintile 4	73.3%	73.2%	74.5%	74.8%	79.4%	86.5%
	Quintile 5	76.2%	76.5%	77.3%	79.4%	83.7%	88.9%

## P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	730	770	900	970	975	875
	Black	505	500	665	580	545	480
	Mixed	490	520	605	575	520	540
	White	21,145	20,860	20,805	19,590	18,745	16,920
	Other	110	80	135	120	125	120
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	160	170	185	235	250	210
	Black	60	60	65	90	95	100
	Mixed	120	90	110	120	115	120
	White	5,215	4,700	4,515	4,585	4,565	4,400
	Other	20	15	30	25	35	25
All placed applicants	Asian	175	190	235	330	310	265
	Black	70	80	85	140	115	125
	Mixed	130	105	130	145	135	140
	White	5,655	5,195	5,090	5,180	5,195	4,965
	Other	25	20	40	30	45	30

## P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	875	930	1,060	1,185	1,170	1,040
	Black	555	535	710	640	580	530
	Mixed	545	575	665	630	565	595
	White	24,280	23,975	23,690	22,365	21,480	19,485
	Other	120	90	150	140	155	135
Offers	Asian	600	670	720	860	900	880
	Black	280	295	330	305	360	380
	Mixed	375	405	485	470	450	505
	White	17,410	17,110	17,310	16,660	16,915	16,890
	Other	75	65	105	90	110	110
Offer rate	Asian	68.4%	72.1%	67.8%	72.5%	76.7%	84.5%
	Black	50.5%	54.6%	46.5%	47.8%	61.9%	71.7%
	Mixed	68.9%	70.3%	72.6%	74.2%	79.3%	85.2%
	White	71.7%	71.4%	73.1%	74.5%	78.7%	86.7%
	Other	64.4%	69.6%	69.5%	64.5%	69.2%	83.0%

## 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.