# Sex, area background and ethnic group



## **Q75 Queens University Belfast**

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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

Non-disclosure controls: To avoid the disclosure of information about any individual the following measures are taken

- Applicants, placed applicants, applications and offers are rounded to the nearest 5.
- Applicants/placed applicants per 10,000 population figures are reported as 0 if the applicant/placed applicant figures are rounded to 0.
- All statistics related to the offer rate are not reported when the number of applications for a group is less than 10. The percentage point difference between the offer rate and the average offer rate is not reported when the number of applications for a group is less than 50.
- Offer rates are reported as 0% if there are fewer than 5 offers, and 100% if the number of offers is within 5 of the number of applications. When the offer rate is reported as 0% or 100%, it is reported in italics.

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## P.1 18 year old applicants

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	8,715	8,755	9,095	8,840	8,850	8,640
Placed June deadline applicants	2,840	2,690	2,545	2,475	2,445	2,300
All placed applicants	2,955	2,815	2,660	2,625	2,605	2,495
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	114.5	116.3	118.7	118.0	119.5	119.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	37.3	35.7	33.2	33.0	33.0	31.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	38.8	37.3	34.7	35.0	35.2	34.6

## P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	15,625	15,580	15,975	15,375	15,300	15,060
Offers	13,310	13,495	13,755	13,090	13,150	12,950
Offer rate	85.2%	86.6%	86.1%	85.2%	86.0%	86.0%

## P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	3,995	3,955	4,000	3,910	3,860	3,810
	Women	4,720	4,800	5,095	4,930	4,990	4,830
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,380	1,295	1,160	1,160	1,090	1,095
	Women	1,460	1,400	1,390	1,315	1,355	1,205
All placed applicants	Men	1,425	1,345	1,205	1,230	1,160	1,185
	Women	1,530	1,470	1,455	1,395	1,445	1,310
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	102.3	102.1	102.0	101.8	101.7	102.8
population	Women	127.4	131.2	136.3	134.9	138.2	137.3
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	35.4	33.4	29.5	30.2	28.8	29.6
10,000 population	Women	39.4	38.2	37.1	36.0	37.5	34.2
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	36.5	34.7	30.7	32.0	30.5	32.0
population	Women	41.3	40.2	38.9	38.1	40.1	37.2

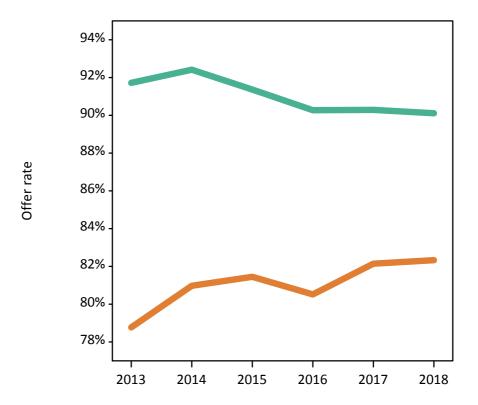
## P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	7,735	7,670	7,475	7,310	7,155	7,065
	Women	7,890	7,910	8,500	8,065	8,145	7,995
Offers	Men	7,095	7,090	6,830	6,595	6,460	6,365
	Women	6,215	6,405	6,920	6,495	6,690	6,585
Offer rate	Men	91.7%	92.4%	91.4%	90.3%	90.3%	90.1%
	Women	78.8%	81.0%	81.5%	80.5%	82.1%	82.3%
Average offer rate	Men	92.1%	92.8%	91.9%	91.1%	90.8%	90.7%
	Women	78.4%	80.6%	81.0%	79.8%	81.7%	81.8%
Percentage point difference between	Men	-0.4	-0.4	-0.5	-0.8	-0.5	-0.6
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.4	0.5
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.658	0.637	0.608	0.621	0.612	0.620
offer rate	Women	0.664	0.648	0.655	0.656	0.659	0.665

## P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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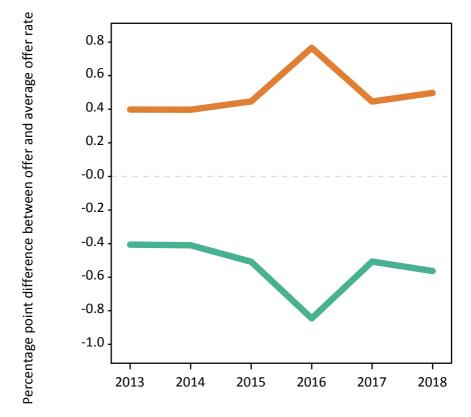




## P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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## P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	645	715	780	755	800	795
	Quintile 2	740	800	815	850	815	845
	Quintile 3	1,300	1,410	1,550	1,470	1,515	1,410
	Quintile 4	2,225	2,145	2,265	2,260	2,230	2,120
	Quintile 5	3,785	3,675	3,675	3,495	3,480	3,445
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	160	195	150	175	190	175
	Quintile 2	205	230	215	200	225	205
	Quintile 3	415	420	450	405	405	390
	Quintile 4	735	680	665	665	650	595
	Quintile 5	1,315	1,165	1,070	1,030	970	935
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	170	205	160	190	200	190
	Quintile 2	215	235	225	220	235	225
	Quintile 3	430	435	465	435	430	425
	Quintile 4	770	710	695	705	700	650
	Quintile 5	1,360	1,225	1,110	1,075	1,035	1,005
June deadline applicants per 10,00	0 Quintile 1	46.0	50.9	54.9	55.5	59.6	61.1
population	Quintile 2	50.9	55.7	55.9	60.0	58.3	62.4
	Quintile 3	87.4	96.1	103.3	100.2	104.7	100.0
	Quintile 4	144.3	140.8	146.1	148.1	147.5	143.8
	Quintile 5	219.9	216.0	211.7	202.5	202.8	204.4
Placed June deadline applicants pe	r Quintile 1	11.4	14.0	10.5	12.8	14.1	13.3
10,000 population	Quintile 2	14.3	15.9	14.7	14.2	16.1	15.2
	Quintile 3	27.9	28.5	30.0	27.5	28.1	27.7
	Quintile 4	47.8	44.6	42.8	43.5	42.9	40.3
	Quintile 5	76.3	68.6	61.6	59.7	56.6	55.5
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	12.0	14.6	11.2	13.8	14.8	14.8
population	Quintile 2	14.9	16.4	15.5	15.5	16.8	16.5
	Quintile 3	29.0	29.7	31.2	29.5	29.7	30.3
	Quintile 4	49.8	46.4	44.9	46.2	46.3	44.0
	Quintile 5	79.0	72.1	64.0	62.3	60.4	59.6

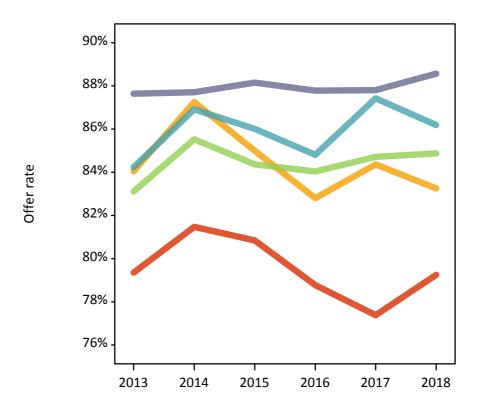
## P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic P	OLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,145	1,275	1,305	1,320	1,335	1,385
	Quintile 2	1,290	1,405	1,375	1,430	1,355	1,405
	Quintile 3	2,380	2,475	2,720	2,560	2,630	2,550
	Quintile 4	4,005	3,835	4,045	3,970	3,945	3,750
	Quintile 5	6,775	6,575	6,515	6,070	6,005	5,920
Offers	Quintile 1	905	1,040	1,055	1,040	1,035	1,095
	Quintile 2	1,085	1,225	1,165	1,185	1,145	1,170
	Quintile 3	1,980	2,115	2,295	2,155	2,230	2,165
	Quintile 4	3,370	3,335	3,480	3,365	3,450	3,235
	Quintile 5	5,935	5,765	5,745	5,330	5,270	5,245
Offer rate	Quintile 1	79.4%	81.5%	80.8%	78.8%	77.4%	79.2%
	Quintile 2	84.0%	87.3%	85.0%	82.8%	84.4%	83.3%
	Quintile 3	83.1%	85.5%	84.4%	84.0%	84.7%	84.9%
	Quintile 4	84.2%	86.9%	86.0%	84.8%	87.4%	86.2%
	Quintile 5	87.6%	87.7%	88.2%	87.8%	87.8%	88.6%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	81.7%	84.6%	83.5%	81.5%	81.1%	82.7%
	Quintile 2	84.3%	87.4%	85.2%	84.9%	84.6%	84.3%
	Quintile 3	83.8%	85.9%	85.0%	84.3%	85.4%	85.7%
	Quintile 4	84.2%	86.7%	85.8%	83.8%	86.2%	86.1%
	Quintile 5	87.0%	87.0%	87.4%	87.2%	87.4%	87.2%
Percentage point difference between	n Quintile 1	-2.3	-3.1	-2.7	-2.7	-3.8	-3.4
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-2.1	-0.2	-1.0
	Quintile 3	-0.7	-0.4	-0.6	-0.3	-0.7	-0.8
	Quintile 4	0.1	0.2	0.2	1.0	1.2	0.1
	Quintile 5	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.4	1.3
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.163	0.170	0.174	0.169	0.168	0.163
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.154	0.164	0.150	0.168	0.150	0.156
	Quintile 3	0.214	0.214	0.229	0.225	0.232	0.218
	Quintile 4	0.307	0.298	0.305	0.311	0.312	0.289
	Quintile 5	0.478	0.471	0.457	0.444	0.442	0.437

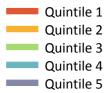
## P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

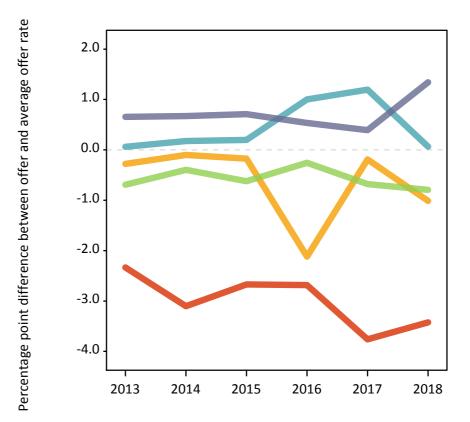
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**P.10** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.





## P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	120	140	175	205	195	245
	Black	35	35	40	55	65	60
	Mixed	105	100	140	115	145	140
	White	8,420	8,435	8,685	8,420	8,375	8,120
	Other	20	25	25	20	30	30
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	25	30	25	40	20	35
	Black	5	0	5	5	5	5
	Mixed	15	15	25	20	20	25
	White	2,790	2,640	2,485	2,405	2,390	2,220
	Other	0	5	5	0	0	5
All placed applicants	Asian	25	30	25	45	25	40
	Black	5	0	5	5	5	5
	Mixed	15	15	25	25	25	30
	White	2,900	2,760	2,590	2,540	2,540	2,405
	Other	0	5	5	0	5	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	18.0	20.8	25.0	28.5	26.8	32.8
population	Black	12.5	11.2	12.3	16.9	20.3	18.9
	Mixed	38.5	35.5	45.1	36.2	44.5	44.0
	White	133.8	136.7	139.4	139.2	141.1	141.4
	Other	23.2	24.7	24.9	19.1	31.1	30.4
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	3.5	4.1	3.5	5.3	3.0	4.9
10,000 population	Black	2.0	0.0	0.9	1.0	1.6	1.0
	Mixed	5.9	5.6	8.1	7.0	6.5	8.4
	White	44.4	42.8	39.9	39.8	40.3	38.7
	Other	0.0	3.2	3.1	0.0	0.0	2.9
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	3.8	4.6	3.8	6.5	3.5	5.3
population	Black	2.0	0.0	1.9	1.6	1.9	1.6
	Mixed	6.3	5.6	8.1	7.3	7.5	9.9
	White	46.1	44.7	41.6	42.0	42.8	41.9
	Other	0.0	3.2	3.1	0.0	2.9	2.9

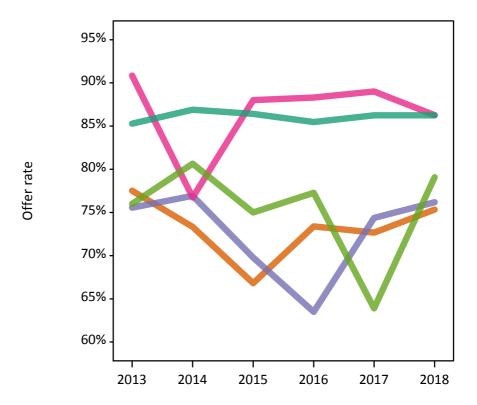
## P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	170	180	230	265	255	300
	Black	45	40	45	65	80	65
	Mixed	130	130	175	155	190	180
	White	15,240	15,175	15,450	14,830	14,680	14,405
	Other	25	30	30	20	35	45
Offers	Asian	130	130	155	195	185	225
	Black	35	30	30	40	60	50
	Mixed	120	100	155	135	170	155
	White	12,995	13,185	13,350	12,675	12,660	12,425
	Other	20	25	20	15	25	35
Offer rate	Asian	77.5%	73.3%	66.8%	73.4%	72.7%	75.3%
	Black	75.6%	76.9%	69.8%	63.5%	74.4%	76.2%
	Mixed	90.8%	76.7%	88.0%	88.3%	89.0%	86.3%
	White	85.3%	86.9%	86.4%	85.5%	86.2%	86.2%
	Other	76.0%	80.6%	75.0%	77.3%	63.9%	79.1%
Average offer rate	Asian	79.1%	78.5%	73.2%	79.7%	78.4%	82.5%
	Black	79.5%	80.0%	67.0%	69.1%	80.8%	81.3%
	Mixed	92.0%	82.4%	89.0%	88.3%	89.7%	87.2%
	White	85.2%	86.7%	86.3%	85.3%	86.1%	86.1%
	Other	86.4%	87.2%	69.2%	77.7%	68.8%	82.3%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	-1.5	-5.2	-6.4	-6.3	-5.8	-7.2
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	-5.7	-6.5	-5.1
	Mixed	-1.2	-5.7	-1.0	-0.0	-0.7	-1.0
	White	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.106	0.086	0.102	0.113	0.134	0.118
offer rate	Black	0.212	0.120	0.221	0.104	0.143	0.113
	Mixed	0.098	0.093	0.097	0.085	0.096	0.069
	White	0.978	0.976	0.971	0.969	0.964	0.961
	Other	0.091	0.049	0.102	0.080	0.108	0.078

## P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

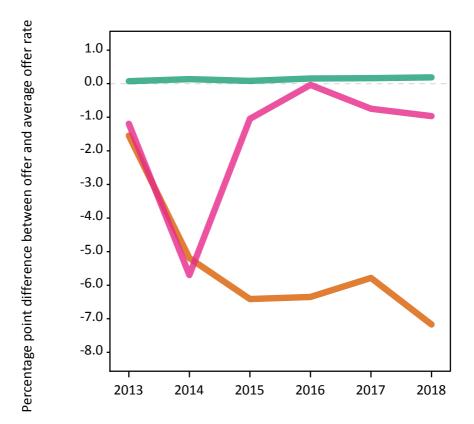
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**P.14** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.





## P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	14,070	14,075	14,685	14,625	14,290	13,895
Placed June deadline applicants	4,075	3,995	3,810	3,840	3,825	3,645
All placed applicants	4,295	4,260	4,030	4,105	4,120	3,990

## P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	25,250	25,050	25,800	25,770	25,035	24,660
Offers	17,880	18,190	18,695	18,520	18,440	18,415
Offer rate	70.8%	72.6%	72.5%	71.9%	73.7%	74.7%

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

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	6,115	6,000	6,255	6,285	6,060	5,935
	Women	7,955	8,075	8,430	8,340	8,225	7,965
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,935	1,850	1,700	1,730	1,650	1,615
	Women	2,140	2,150	2,110	2,105	2,175	2,030
All placed applicants	Men	2,010	1,935	1,780	1,850	1,750	1,745
	Women	2,285	2,325	2,250	2,260	2,365	2,245

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

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	11,405	11,190	11,270	11,455	10,905	10,875
	Women	13,845	13,860	14,530	14,315	14,130	13,785
Offers	Men	9,480	9,360	9,250	9,290	8,945	8,915
	Women	8,400	8,830	9,445	9,230	9,490	9,500
Offer rate	Men	83.1%	83.7%	82.1%	81.1%	82.1%	82.0%
	Women	60.7%	63.7%	65.0%	64.5%	67.2%	68.9%

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

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,385	1,505	1,520	1,590	1,600	1,525
	Quintile 2	1,350	1,465	1,450	1,490	1,415	1,450
	Quintile 3	2,175	2,280	2,530	2,490	2,440	2,290
	Quintile 4	3,515	3,340	3,555	3,550	3,510	3,430
	Quintile 5	5,620	5,455	5,595	5,480	5,290	5,155
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	325	370	320	375	405	375
	Quintile 2	350	380	355	335	360	350
	Quintile 3	600	615	670	625	625	615
	Quintile 4	1,030	955	925	940	950	930
	Quintile 5	1,760	1,670	1,535	1,555	1,470	1,370
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	355	400	345	410	430	420
	Quintile 2	370	410	375	365	385	380
	Quintile 3	630	655	715	670	670	675
	Quintile 4	1,090	1,010	980	1,010	1,030	1,020
	Quintile 5	1,840	1,775	1,615	1,645	1,595	1,490

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

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,615	2,865	2,690	3,000	2,850	2,810
	Quintile 2	2,410	2,620	2,475	2,540	2,460	2,490
	Quintile 3	3,925	3,990	4,510	4,410	4,295	4,165
	Quintile 4	6,265	5,870	6,250	6,240	6,190	6,075
	Quintile 5	9,980	9,665	9,835	9,535	9,175	9,040
Offers	Quintile 1	1,510	1,730	1,695	1,865	1,835	1,860
	Quintile 2	1,575	1,825	1,695	1,725	1,720	1,735
	Quintile 3	2,675	2,830	3,160	3,035	3,060	3,085
	Quintile 4	4,460	4,330	4,570	4,555	4,615	4,550
	Quintile 5	7,615	7,440	7,545	7,315	7,155	7,130
Offer rate	Quintile 1	57.8%	60.4%	63.0%	62.1%	64.5%	66.3%
	Quintile 2	65.3%	69.8%	68.6%	67.9%	70.0%	69.7%
	Quintile 3	68.2%	71.0%	70.1%	68.8%	71.3%	74.0%
	Quintile 4	71.2%	73.8%	73.1%	73.0%	74.6%	74.9%
	Quintile 5	76.3%	77.0%	76.7%	76.7%	78.0%	78.9%

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

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	260	300	405	405	380	425
	Black	105	120	125	155	145	140
	Mixed	160	170	220	190	210	245
	White	13,455	13,385	13,810	13,770	13,415	12,945
	Other	50	50	45	45	65	60
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	45	50	55	70	50	70
	Black	15	10	10	15	15	15
	Mixed	30	25	35	30	35	50
	White	3,980	3,900	3,685	3,710	3,705	3,490
	Other	5	5	10	0	5	5
All placed applicants	Asian	50	60	60	85	60	75
	Black	15	10	15	20	15	15
	Mixed	30	30	35	35	40	55
	White	4,190	4,140	3,895	3,950	3,975	3,820
	Other	5	5	10	5	10	5

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

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	345	370	515	505	495	550
	Black	135	155	140	190	180	170
	Mixed	210	225	270	260	280	345
	White	24,440	24,160	24,705	24,675	23,895	23,405
	Other	65	70	55	60	80	70
Offers	Asian	215	215	285	310	300	365
	Black	60	65	50	85	85	95
	Mixed	170	150	210	195	220	255
	White	17,375	17,670	18,035	17,845	17,715	17,565
	Other	30	45	35	35	40	45
Offer rate	Asian	63.0%	58.8%	55.2%	61.1%	60.3%	66.2%
	Black	45.9%	42.2%	37.0%	44.1%	48.3%	55.0%
	Mixed	81.8%	67.3%	76.5%	74.8%	77.9%	74.6%
	White	71.1%	73.1%	73.0%	72.3%	74.1%	75.0%
	Other	47.8%	63.2%	61.1%	58.6%	53.8%	68.1%

## **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 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.