Sex, area background and ethnic group



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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

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	8,975	9,980	9,290	8,170	7,585	7,450
Placed June deadline applicants	1,420	1,500	1,375	1,085	1,110	1,110
All placed applicants	1,770	1,865	1,680	1,420	1,525	1,610
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	117.9	132.5	121.3	109.0	102.4	103.1
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	18.7	19.9	17.9	14.5	15.0	15.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	23.3	24.7	22.0	18.9	20.6	22.3

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	9,300	10,345	9,540	8,370	7,760	7,640
Offers	7,275	8,030	7,625	6,595	6,575	6,785
Offer rate	78.2%	77.6%	79.9%	78.8%	84.7%	88.8%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	3,670	3,950	3,620	3,245	3,055	3,050
	Women	5,300	6,030	5,670	4,930	4,530	4,395
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	550	585	555	405	455	430
	Women	875	915	820	685	655	680
All placed applicants	Men	690	690	670	530	595	610
	Women	1,080	1,170	1,015	885	930	1,000
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	94.0	102.1	92.3	84.4	80.5	82.4
population	Women	143.1	164.8	151.7	134.9	125.5	124.9
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	14.1	15.1	14.1	10.5	12.0	11.6
10,000 population	Women	23.6	25.0	22.0	18.7	18.1	19.3
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	17.7	17.9	17.0	13.8	15.7	16.5
population	Women	29.1	32.0	27.1	24.2	25.8	28.4

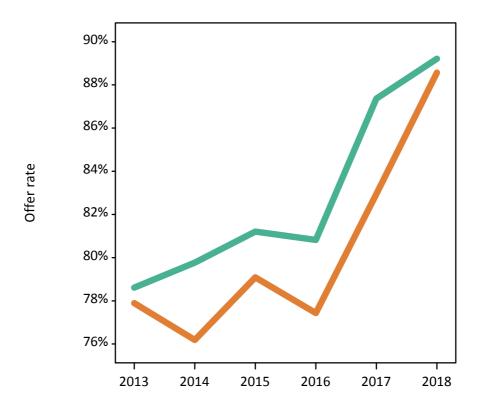
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	3,825	4,120	3,745	3,340	3,135	3,145
	Women	5,475	6,225	5,795	5,030	4,625	4,495
Offers	Men	3,005	3,290	3,040	2,700	2,740	2,805
	Women	4,265	4,740	4,585	3,895	3,835	3,980
Offer rate	Men	78.6%	79.8%	81.2%	80.8%	87.4%	89.2%
	Women	77.9%	76.2%	79.1%	77.4%	82.9%	88.6%
Average offer rate	Men	77.9%	79.3%	81.1%	80.3%	86.8%	88.9%
	Women	78.4%	76.5%	79.2%	77.8%	83.3%	88.8%
Percentage point difference between	Men	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.6	0.3
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	-0.5	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.2
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.569	0.561	0.572	0.573	0.588	0.577
offer rate	Women	0.699	0.709	0.723	0.716	0.721	0.704

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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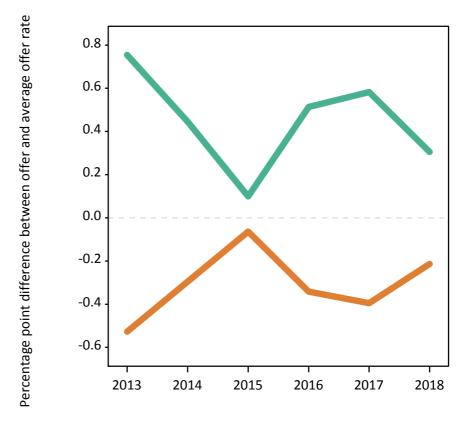




P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	590	695	630	545	435	400
	Quintile 2	975	1,085	970	895	790	715
	Quintile 3	1,605	1,895	1,795	1,535	1,345	1,350
	Quintile 4	2,950	3,280	3,045	2,675	2,610	2,675
	Quintile 5	2,830	3,000	2,825	2,505	2,375	2,280
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	70	90	75	75	55	50
	Quintile 2	120	130	140	100	100	80
	Quintile 3	275	280	255	180	185	220
	Quintile 4	535	550	505	405	415	435
	Quintile 5	420	445	395	325	355	320
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	80	105	85	90	75	65
	Quintile 2	150	155	160	115	130	115
	Quintile 3	340	335	290	240	255	310
	Quintile 4	660	705	615	535	595	615
	Quintile 5	535	560	525	435	470	495
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	41.8	49.6	44.5	40.0	32.5	30.8
population	Quintile 2	67.2	75.5	66.4	63.1	56.8	53.0
	Quintile 3	108.1	129.5	119.7	104.6	93.0	95.8
	Quintile 4	191.4	215.1	196.5	175.6	172.7	181.4
	Quintile 5	164.2	176.3	162.6	145.1	138.5	135.3
Placed June deadline applicants per	Quintile 1	5.0	6.4	5.4	5.6	4.0	3.8
10,000 population	Quintile 2	8.3	9.1	9.5	7.1	7.1	6.1
	Quintile 3	18.6	19.0	16.9	12.1	12.8	15.5
	Quintile 4	34.6	35.9	32.5	26.7	27.5	29.3
	Quintile 5	24.3	26.3	22.8	18.7	20.6	18.9
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	5.5	7.5	6.1	6.5	5.5	5.1
population	Quintile 2	10.5	10.8	11.0	8.2	9.2	8.6
	Quintile 3	23.0	22.9	19.4	16.4	17.7	22.0
	Quintile 4	42.9	46.1	39.7	35.1	39.3	41.8
	Quintile 5	31.1	32.9	30.2	25.2	27.3	29.5

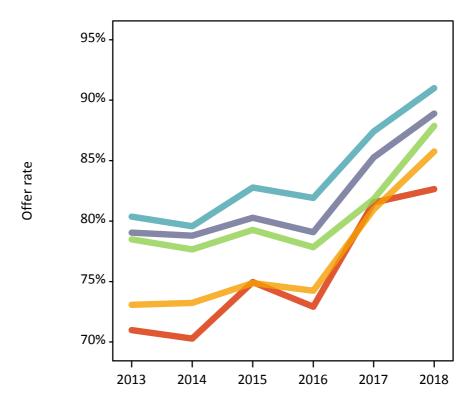
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic PO	LAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	605	725	645	565	445	415
	Quintile 2	1,010	1,130	995	915	805	730
	Quintile 3	1,675	1,965	1,845	1,570	1,380	1,385
	Quintile 4	3,045	3,390	3,125	2,740	2,660	2,745
	Quintile 5	2,945	3,105	2,905	2,565	2,445	2,340
Offers	Quintile 1	430	510	480	410	360	345
	Quintile 2	740	830	745	680	650	625
	Quintile 3	1,315	1,525	1,465	1,220	1,130	1,215
	Quintile 4	2,450	2,700	2,585	2,245	2,325	2,495
	Quintile 5	2,330	2,445	2,330	2,025	2,085	2,080
Offer rate	Quintile 1	71.0%	70.3%	75.0%	72.9%	81.5%	82.7%
	Quintile 2	73.1%	73.2%	74.9%	74.2%	81.0%	85.8%
	Quintile 3	78.5%	77.7%	79.3%	77.8%	81.8%	87.9%
	Quintile 4	80.4%	79.6%	82.8%	81.9%	87.4%	91.0%
	Quintile 5	79.0%	78.8%	80.3%	79.1%	85.3%	88.9%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	72.9%	71.9%	76.1%	74.0%	81.9%	84.8%
	Quintile 2	73.5%	73.4%	75.3%	74.3%	80.9%	86.4%
	Quintile 3	77.9%	77.6%	80.0%	78.7%	83.1%	88.5%
	Quintile 4	79.8%	79.7%	82.1%	81.1%	87.2%	90.5%
	Quintile 5	79.4%	78.3%	80.2%	79.2%	84.7%	88.5%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-1.9	-1.6	-1.1	-1.1	-0.3	-2.1
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-0.4	-0.1	-0.4	-0.1	0.1	-0.6
	Quintile 3	0.6	0.1	-0.7	-0.9	-1.3	-0.6
	Quintile 4	0.5	-0.1	0.7	0.8	0.2	0.5
	Quintile 5	-0.3	0.5	0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.4
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.140	0.143	0.154	0.159	0.150	0.142
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.190	0.177	0.186	0.199	0.194	0.152
	Quintile 3	0.249	0.251	0.263	0.260	0.258	0.240
	Quintile 4	0.394	0.386	0.391	0.398	0.417	0.411
	Quintile 5	0.386	0.367	0.363	0.383	0.389	0.364

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

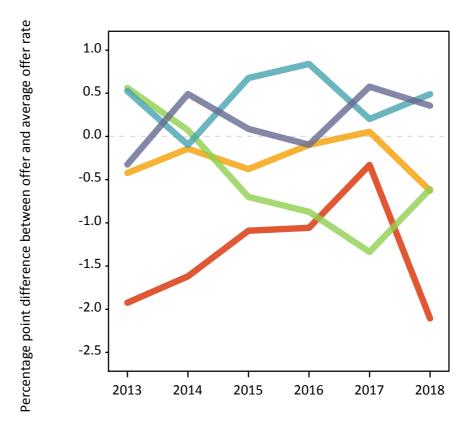
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.





P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	2,635	2,935	2,880	2,665	2,540	2,715
	Black	1,095	1,175	1,080	895	860	890
	Mixed	550	575	590	505	485	510
	White	4,125	4,655	4,110	3,510	3,120	2,720
	Other	490	570	540	495	475	530
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	510	555	480	435	415	415
	Black	180	185	155	110	135	145
	Mixed	80	90	90	80	65	85
	White	560	560	540	385	395	360
	Other	85	100	95	65	85	100
All placed applicants	Asian	675	755	640	610	635	680
	Black	230	225	195	155	180	215
	Mixed	90	110	105	100	90	120
	White	645	635	600	450	475	445
	Other	115	120	120	85	120	140
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	399.5	432.6	406.9	370.5	345.2	365.9
population	Black	368.5	387.0	339.9	286.2	273.3	285.7
	Mixed	203.0	199.9	191.7	160.2	151.1	157.3
	White	65.6	75.4	65.9	58.0	52.6	47.4
	Other	541.5	613.5	561.3	497.4	462.1	503.1
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	77.3	82.0	67.5	60.6	56.5	55.8
10,000 population	Black	61.0	60.7	49.3	35.5	42.3	46.2
	Mixed	28.8	32.0	28.9	26.1	20.6	26.3
	White	8.9	9.1	8.7	6.4	6.7	6.2
	Other	92.6	105.3	100.6	64.3	81.5	95.1
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	102.3	111.3	90.6	84.8	86.4	91.8
population	Black	77.1	74.9	61.6	48.9	57.8	68.3
	Mixed	34.0	37.5	33.7	32.4	27.4	37.5
	White	10.3	10.3	9.6	7.4	8.0	7.8
	Other	127.9	128.9	125.5	85.4	118.4	132.2

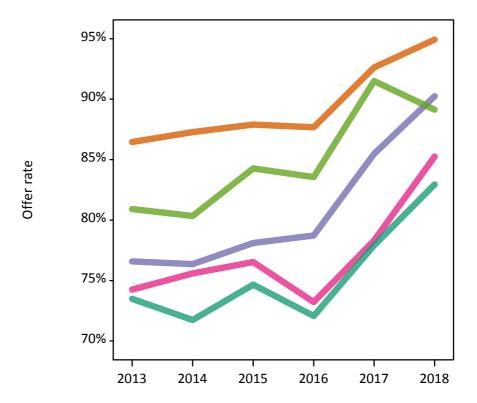
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	2,740	3,035	2,960	2,735	2,590	2,780
	Black	1,120	1,210	1,100	905	870	900
	Mixed	570	600	605	520	500	520
	White	4,285	4,835	4,235	3,600	3,200	2,805
	Other	510	590	555	505	495	545
Offers	Asian	2,370	2,650	2,600	2,395	2,400	2,640
	Black	855	925	860	715	740	815
	Mixed	425	450	465	380	390	445
	White	3,150	3,470	3,165	2,595	2,495	2,325
	Other	410	475	465	420	450	485
Offer rate	Asian	86.5%	87.3%	87.9%	87.7%	92.6%	94.9%
	Black	76.6%	76.4%	78.1%	78.7%	85.5%	90.2%
	Mixed	74.3%	75.6%	76.5%	73.2%	78.3%	85.2%
	White	73.5%	71.7%	74.7%	72.1%	77.9%	83.0%
	Other	80.9%	80.3%	84.3%	83.6%	91.5%	89.1%
Average offer rate	Asian	85.5%	86.1%	86.7%	86.7%	92.1%	94.2%
	Black	78.4%	77.8%	79.8%	77.9%	85.0%	89.7%
	Mixed	74.3%	73.5%	76.6%	73.9%	78.9%	86.3%
	White	73.7%	72.4%	75.2%	73.2%	78.9%	83.7%
	Other	80.6%	80.4%	83.1%	82.4%	88.6%	89.1%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.5	0.7
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-1.8	-1.4	-1.7	0.8	0.4	0.5
	Mixed	-0.0	2.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.5	-1.0
	White	-0.2	-0.6	-0.5	-1.2	-1.0	-0.7
	Other	0.3	-0.1	1.1	1.2	2.9	0.0
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.432	0.426	0.438	0.467	0.458	0.464
offer rate	Black	0.210	0.197	0.190	0.199	0.202	0.182
	Mixed	0.142	0.144	0.138	0.155	0.168	0.143
	White	0.588	0.587	0.568	0.566	0.540	0.481
	Other	0.153	0.141	0.145	0.155	0.150	0.139

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.





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	19,655	21,965	20,075	17,550	15,895	15,325
Placed June deadline applicants	3,165	3,280	2,990	2,400	2,470	2,500
All placed applicants	4,065	4,145	3,825	3,250	3,405	3,695

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	20,630	23,075	20,910	18,270	16,455	15,930
Offers	13,785	15,425	14,235	12,205	12,230	12,585
Offer rate	66.8%	66.8%	68.1%	66.8%	74.3%	79.0%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	8,735	9,580	8,700	7,515	6,840	6,615
	Women	10,915	12,380	11,375	10,035	9,055	8,710
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,370	1,415	1,310	1,000	1,020	1,035
	Women	1,795	1,865	1,680	1,400	1,450	1,465
All placed applicants	Men	1,790	1,760	1,685	1,400	1,395	1,565
	Women	2,275	2,390	2,140	1,850	2,010	2,130

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	9,240	10,110	9,140	7,865	7,110	6,890
	Women	11,390	12,965	11,770	10,405	9,340	9,040
Offers	Men	6,185	6,900	6,295	5,315	5,380	5,450
	Women	7,595	8,525	7,940	6,890	6,855	7,135
Offer rate	Men	67.0%	68.3%	68.9%	67.6%	75.6%	79.1%
	Women	66.7%	65.8%	67.5%	66.2%	73.4%	78.9%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,225	1,465	1,285	1,095	905	850
	Quintile 2	1,910	2,235	1,925	1,710	1,510	1,405
	Quintile 3	3,520	3,970	3,765	3,130	2,790	2,685
	Quintile 4	6,550	7,260	6,730	5,940	5,445	5,390
	Quintile 5	6,355	6,955	6,305	5,625	5,170	4,925
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	175	180	155	155	125	105
	Quintile 2	250	280	275	195	200	195
	Quintile 3	575	585	550	390	400	445
	Quintile 4	1,150	1,160	1,080	910	925	935
	Quintile 5	1,005	1,060	920	745	810	810
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	205	210	185	185	160	145
	Quintile 2	320	330	340	245	260	280
	Quintile 3	725	735	670	530	560	640
	Quintile 4	1,475	1,485	1,400	1,225	1,305	1,370
	Quintile 5	1,325	1,370	1,220	1,050	1,110	1,245

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,270	1,525	1,325	1,135	935	875
	Quintile 2	1,985	2,335	1,980	1,765	1,540	1,455
	Quintile 3	3,715	4,175	3,925	3,245	2,895	2,785
	Quintile 4	6,850	7,620	7,005	6,190	5,635	5,590
	Quintile 5	6,715	7,330	6,595	5,875	5,375	5,140
Offers	Quintile 1	795	920	845	720	665	645
	Quintile 2	1,290	1,475	1,305	1,100	1,110	1,125
	Quintile 3	2,495	2,800	2,635	2,165	2,130	2,190
	Quintile 4	4,660	5,255	4,895	4,245	4,310	4,510
	Quintile 5	4,495	4,925	4,520	3,945	3,960	4,055
Offer rate	Quintile 1	62.5%	60.3%	63.7%	63.6%	71.4%	73.8%
	Quintile 2	65.0%	63.1%	65.9%	62.2%	72.3%	77.4%
	Quintile 3	67.1%	67.1%	67.2%	66.7%	73.5%	78.6%
	Quintile 4	68.1%	69.0%	69.9%	68.6%	76.5%	80.7%
	Quintile 5	66.9%	67.2%	68.5%	67.1%	73.7%	78.9%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	5,285	5,920	5,705	5,090	4,750	4,800
	Black	3,085	3,340	3,005	2,525	2,250	2,340
	Mixed	1,265	1,395	1,365	1,185	1,095	1,120
	White	8,620	9,700	8,510	7,325	6,425	5,685
	Other	1,140	1,355	1,240	1,140	1,105	1,140
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	955	1,000	920	760	790	755
	Black	465	480	385	285	310	375
	Mixed	185	210	205	190	155	205
	White	1,345	1,345	1,230	975	1,005	930
	Other	180	210	210	155	185	205
All placed applicants	Asian	1,325	1,375	1,275	1,110	1,190	1,250
	Black	635	630	545	455	470	600
	Mixed	235	255	260	240	210	295
	White	1,545	1,555	1,415	1,170	1,210	1,165
	Other	260	280	275	215	270	315

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	5,535	6,205	5,915	5,280	4,895	4,950
	Black	3,205	3,485	3,090	2,605	2,305	2,400
	Mixed	1,330	1,465	1,410	1,225	1,130	1,165
	White	9,090	10,240	8,950	7,665	6,685	5,985
	Other	1,195	1,425	1,290	1,185	1,155	1,175
Offers	Asian	4,265	4,795	4,620	4,160	4,155	4,355
	Black	1,990	2,140	1,910	1,555	1,605	1,795
	Mixed	840	945	890	760	770	875
	White	5,695	6,400	5,760	4,745	4,620	4,440
	Other	830	985	900	790	885	925
Offer rate	Asian	77.0%	77.2%	78.1%	78.9%	84.8%	88.0%
	Black	62.0%	61.5%	61.8%	59.7%	69.7%	74.8%
	Mixed	63.3%	64.7%	63.0%	62.1%	68.0%	75.2%
	White	62.6%	62.5%	64.4%	61.9%	69.1%	74.2%
	Other	69.7%	69.4%	69.7%	66.6%	76.5%	78.9%

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 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.