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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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	7,760	7,320	7,670	9,795	8,355	8,445
Placed June deadline applicants	1,690	1,670	1,540	1,940	1,685	1,985
All placed applicants	1,830	2,125	1,735	2,080	1,890	2,210
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	98.3	95.1	99.2	128.7	110.9	110.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	21.4	21.7	19.9	25.5	22.3	25.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	23.2	27.6	22.4	27.3	25.1	28.9

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	8,350	7,800	8,120	10,270	8,665	8,800
Offers	7,490	6,760	7,180	9,280	7,730	7,860
Offer rate	89.7%	86.6%	88.4%	90.4%	89.2%	89.3%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	3,115	3,015	3,195	4,115	3,560	3,390
	Women	4,645	4,310	4,475	5,680	4,795	5,055
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	675	710	630	800	710	805
	Women	1,015	960	910	1,140	975	1,180
All placed applicants	Men	740	930	720	855	780	890
	Women	1,090	1,195	1,015	1,225	1,105	1,320
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	77.5	76.6	80.6	105.4	92.0	86.3
	Women	119.7	114.4	118.7	153.3	130.9	135.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	16.8	18.1	15.9	20.5	18.3	20.5
	Women	26.1	25.5	24.1	30.8	26.6	31.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	18.4	23.6	18.1	22.0	20.2	22.7
	Women	28.1	31.7	27.0	33.0	30.2	35.3

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	3,350	3,210	3,380	4,340	3,730	3,550
	Women	5,000	4,595	4,740	5,930	4,935	5,250
Offers	Men	3,110	2,930	3,080	4,060	3,400	3,280
	Women	4,380	3,830	4,095	5,220	4,335	4,580
Offer rate	Men	92.9%	91.3%	91.2%	93.6%	91.1%	92.4%
	Women	87.6%	83.4%	86.5%	88.0%	87.8%	87.3%
Average offer rate	Men	92.8%	91.2%	92.2%	93.6%	92.3%	93.1%
	Women	87.6%	83.5%	85.7%	88.0%	86.9%	86.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	0.1	0.1	-1.1	-0.0	-1.1	-0.7
	Women	-0.0	-0.0	0.8	0.0	0.9	0.5
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.557	0.564	0.572	0.582	0.601	0.584
	Women	0.704	0.696	0.695	0.694	0.699	0.719

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 2010-2015.
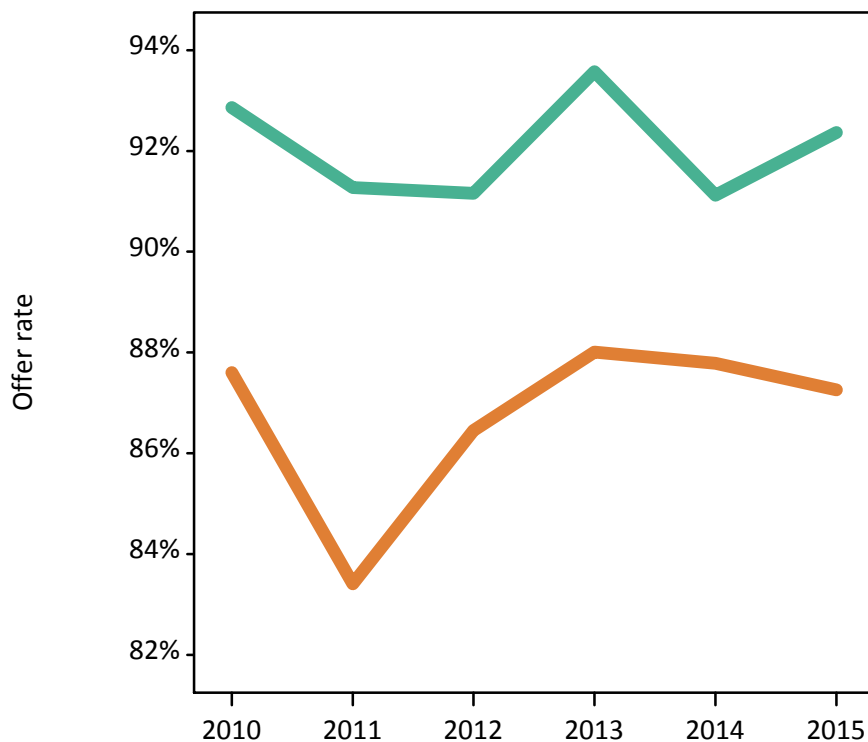
P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex
Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.

P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,285	1,170	1,245	1,475	1,465	1,500
	Quintile 2	1,510	1,490	1,560	1,955	1,685	1,800
	Quintile 3	1,705	1,570	1,565	2,075	1,675	1,740
	Quintile 4	1,800	1,645	1,735	2,265	1,820	1,805
	Quintile 5	1,440	1,440	1,555	2,010	1,690	1,585
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	275	240	265	300	300	340
	Quintile 2	315	355	340	425	375	445
	Quintile 3	395	370	325	410	340	435
	Quintile 4	410	380	335	435	365	420
	Quintile 5	290	325	275	365	305	345
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	305	300	290	320	325	380
	Quintile 2	345	440	380	455	415	505
	Quintile 3	425	450	365	435	380	470
	Quintile 4	440	475	380	475	415	465
	Quintile 5	315	455	325	395	350	390
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	86.9	81.4	87.3	105.8	105.2	106.9
	Quintile 2	98.3	99.2	104.2	132.6	115.3	121.1
	Quintile 3	107.3	102.0	101.3	136.2	111.4	113.4
	Quintile 4	113.0	105.2	109.2	144.9	118.1	115.2
	Quintile 5	85.1	86.9	92.7	121.5	103.6	94.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	18.6	16.6	18.6	21.6	21.4	24.3
	Quintile 2	20.6	23.6	22.7	28.7	25.5	30.0
	Quintile 3	25.0	24.1	21.0	26.9	22.5	28.2
	Quintile 4	25.7	24.3	21.2	27.9	23.8	26.8
	Quintile 5	17.1	19.5	16.2	22.1	18.7	20.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	20.5	21.0	20.2	22.9	23.4	27.1
	Quintile 2	22.4	29.2	25.2	30.7	28.4	33.9
	Quintile 3	26.6	29.4	23.6	28.7	25.4	30.6
	Quintile 4	27.5	30.3	24.0	30.2	26.9	29.6
	Quintile 5	18.7	27.4	19.3	23.9	21.3	23.4

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,385	1,245	1,335	1,565	1,520	1,570
	Quintile 2	1,650	1,625	1,650	2,065	1,755	1,895
	Quintile 3	1,850	1,690	1,670	2,195	1,735	1,830
	Quintile 4	1,940	1,745	1,830	2,340	1,900	1,870
	Quintile 5	1,515	1,495	1,625	2,080	1,735	1,620
Offers	Quintile 1	1,200	1,035	1,120	1,345	1,290	1,340
	Quintile 2	1,480	1,370	1,455	1,865	1,560	1,685
	Quintile 3	1,655	1,455	1,485	1,980	1,545	1,630
	Quintile 4	1,765	1,525	1,630	2,145	1,735	1,700
	Quintile 5	1,375	1,365	1,475	1,930	1,590	1,490
Offer rate	Quintile 1	86.9%	83.1%	83.6%	85.8%	84.7%	85.5%
	Quintile 2	89.6%	84.5%	88.3%	90.2%	89.1%	89.0%
	Quintile 3	89.6%	86.3%	88.9%	90.3%	88.9%	89.1%
	Quintile 4	91.0%	87.6%	89.2%	91.6%	91.2%	91.0%
	Quintile 5	90.8%	91.3%	91.0%	92.7%	91.5%	91.9%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	88.0%	84.1%	85.1%	87.3%	86.1%	86.2%
	Quintile 2	89.8%	84.5%	87.2%	90.0%	88.3%	88.6%
	Quintile 3	89.5%	86.5%	88.9%	90.1%	89.2%	89.7%
	Quintile 4	90.1%	87.6%	89.4%	91.4%	91.1%	90.5%
	Quintile 5	91.0%	90.1%	90.6%	92.2%	90.9%	91.4%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.5	-1.5	-1.4	-0.8
	Quintile 2	-0.2	0.1	1.1	0.2	0.8	0.4
	Quintile 3	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.6
	Quintile 4	1.0	-0.1	-0.2	0.2	0.1	0.4
	Quintile 5	-0.2	1.2	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.5
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.255	0.252	0.252	0.222	0.253	0.263
	Quintile 2	0.264	0.281	0.273	0.254	0.261	0.274
	Quintile 3	0.287	0.288	0.273	0.266	0.260	0.272
	Quintile 4	0.306	0.299	0.293	0.283	0.279	0.277
	Quintile 5	0.264	0.280	0.277	0.271	0.274	0.259

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile
Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.
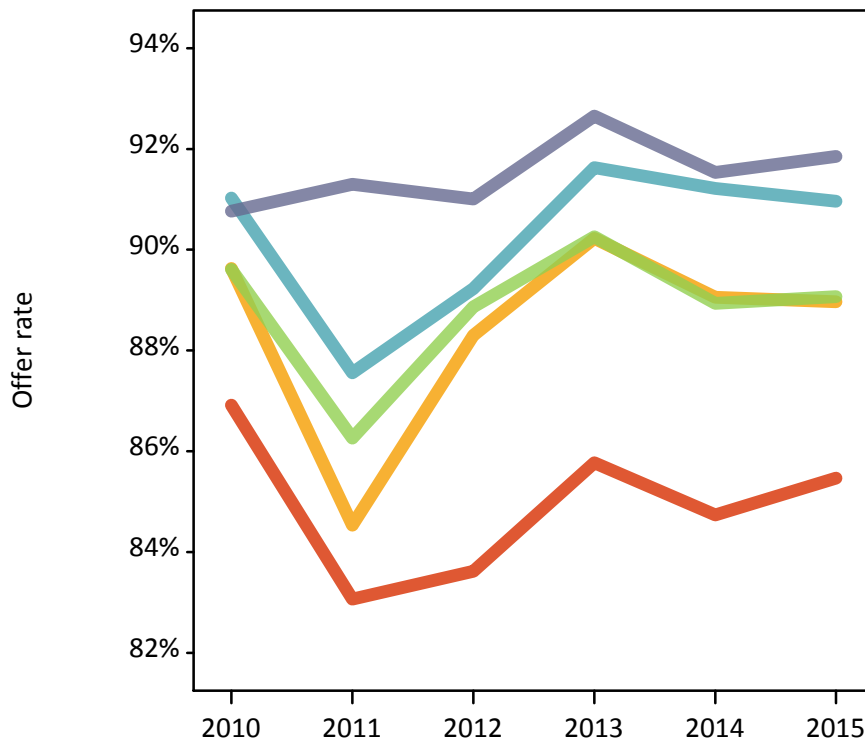
P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile
Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.
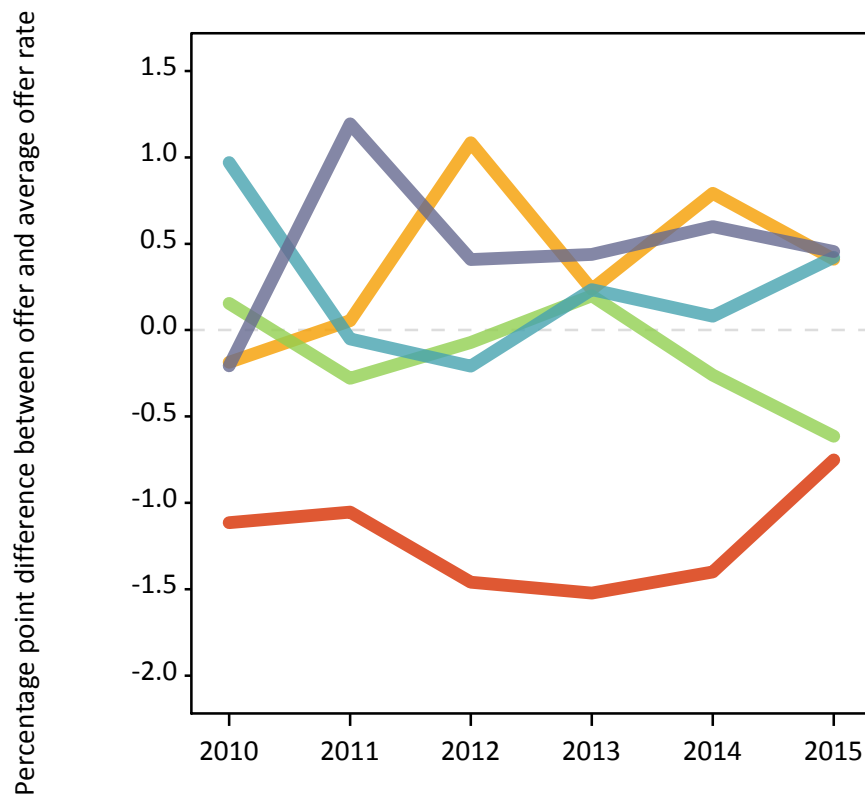
P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	255	215	290	405	330	360
	Black	150	165	240	350	290	255
	Mixed	170	185	200	285	245	250
	White	7,130	6,720	6,895	8,670	7,425	7,505
	Other	20	20	30	55	50	50
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	35	25	30	50	35	60
	Black	20	20	30	45	40	35
	Mixed	35	40	35	45	30	50
	White	1,595	1,580	1,440	1,785	1,570	1,835
	Other	0	5	5	5	5	5
All placed applicants	Asian	45	50	40	60	45	70
	Black	25	40	35	55	50	45
	Mixed	40	45	40	50	40	55
	White	1,710	1,975	1,610	1,900	1,740	2,035
	Other	0	5	5	5	10	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	41.4	34.0	44.6	61.4	48.5	50.9
	Black	57.7	59.6	84.5	118.6	95.7	80.1
	Mixed	74.2	77.2	77.6	105.8	84.8	81.4
	White	106.3	103.8	106.8	137.8	120.3	120.4
	Other	26.0	22.2	31.6	61.8	51.6	53.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	5.5	4.3	4.6	7.4	5.2	8.6
	Black	6.9	6.6	11.0	14.8	12.5	10.7
	Mixed	14.2	15.7	13.1	17.0	10.4	15.6
	White	23.8	24.4	22.3	28.4	25.4	29.5
	Other	0.0	4.9	4.5	7.7	6.4	3.1
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	7.1	8.1	6.2	9.4	6.9	10.0
	Black	9.9	15.4	12.4	17.9	16.2	14.8
	Mixed	16.8	17.8	15.7	19.2	13.6	17.8
	White	25.5	30.5	25.0	30.2	28.2	32.6
	Other	0.0	4.9	4.5	7.7	8.6	4.2

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	260	215	295	415	335	370
	Black	150	165	250	355	290	255
	Mixed	180	195	210	300	250	260
	White	7,710	7,185	7,320	9,120	7,720	7,845
	Other	20	20	30	55	50	50
Offers	Asian	210	190	275	385	285	330
	Black	120	140	220	310	250	210
	Mixed	165	170	180	275	225	230
	White	6,950	6,225	6,470	8,230	6,910	7,025
	Other	15	15	25	55	45	45
Offer rate	Asian	80.5%	88.8%	92.3%	93.7%	86.2%	89.4%
	Black	78.9%	84.1%	88.3%	87.6%	85.9%	82.8%
	Mixed	92.2%	85.8%	85.7%	92.6%	89.6%	89.6%
	White	90.2%	86.7%	88.4%	90.2%	89.5%	89.5%
	Other	*100.0%*	*100.0%*	*100.0%*	*100.0%*	*100.0%*	90.2%
Average offer rate	Asian	83.3%	88.8%	91.7%	93.7%	89.1%	88.8%
	Black	83.7%	85.0%	92.0%	91.9%	89.5%	87.3%
	Mixed	90.7%	87.0%	88.6%	91.7%	89.3%	90.5%
	White	90.0%	86.6%	88.2%	90.1%	89.2%	89.4%
	Other	88.0%	91.6%	88.4%	93.6%	91.3%	88.6%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-2.7	0.0	0.6	0.1	-2.9	0.6
	Black	-4.8	-0.8	-3.7	-4.3	-3.6	-4.5
	Mixed	1.5	-1.2	-2.8	1.0	0.2	-0.9
	White	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	6.4	N/A	1.6
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.176	0.136	0.130	0.126	0.142	0.169
	Black	0.130	0.125	0.131	0.122	0.148	0.124
	Mixed	0.101	0.121	0.111	0.090	0.112	0.106
	White	0.933	0.930	0.913	0.899	0.905	0.905
	Other	0.137	0.128	0.091	0.072	0.066	0.092

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 2010-2015.
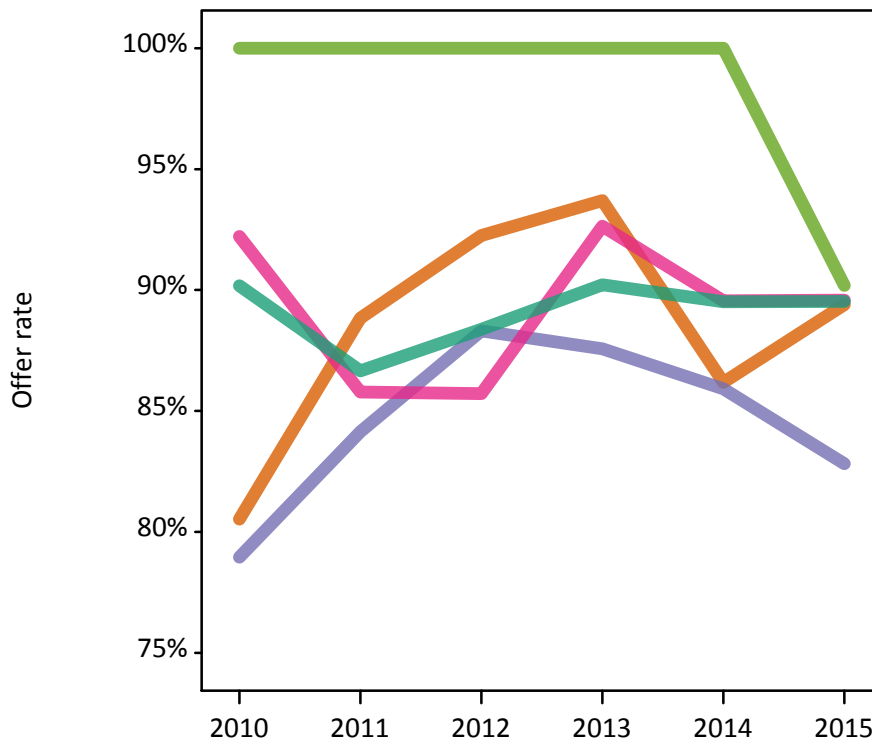
P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.

P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	12,565	12,010	12,135	15,160	13,745	13,630
Placed June deadline applicants	2,885	2,820	2,565	3,025	2,840	3,140
All placed applicants	3,175	3,505	2,960	3,275	3,235	3,585

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	13,740	13,010	13,000	16,025	14,425	14,340
Offers	11,165	10,060	10,350	13,135	11,540	11,640
Offer rate	81.2%	77.3%	79.6%	82.0%	80.0%	81.2%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	5,285	5,085	5,200	6,515	5,890	5,605
	Women	7,280	6,925	6,935	8,640	7,855	8,025
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,230	1,235	1,075	1,285	1,185	1,340
	Women	1,655	1,585	1,490	1,740	1,655	1,800
All placed applicants	Men	1,370	1,560	1,240	1,390	1,340	1,520
	Women	1,805	1,940	1,720	1,885	1,895	2,065

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	5,790	5,500	5,570	6,930	6,240	5,920
	Women	7,955	7,510	7,425	9,090	8,185	8,420
Offers	Men	4,845	4,490	4,595	5,960	5,220	5,080
	Women	6,315	5,575	5,755	7,175	6,320	6,560
Offer rate	Men	83.7%	81.6%	82.5%	86.0%	83.7%	85.8%
	Women	79.4%	74.2%	77.5%	78.9%	77.2%	77.9%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,335	2,220	2,230	2,675	2,645	2,705
	Quintile 2	2,535	2,535	2,530	3,115	2,885	2,910
	Quintile 3	2,710	2,545	2,495	3,165	2,730	2,785
	Quintile 4	2,745	2,530	2,610	3,320	2,895	2,790
	Quintile 5	2,220	2,175	2,255	2,860	2,555	2,410
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	510	470	500	535	530	600
	Quintile 2	595	620	575	655	640	690
	Quintile 3	645	615	555	650	590	685
	Quintile 4	645	610	520	650	600	645
	Quintile 5	480	500	415	525	475	510
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	570	575	575	580	600	675
	Quintile 2	655	740	655	700	720	795
	Quintile 3	700	740	640	705	680	770
	Quintile 4	700	760	600	705	680	740
	Quintile 5	540	680	490	570	545	600

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,565	2,415	2,430	2,850	2,795	2,845
	Quintile 2	2,825	2,790	2,690	3,315	3,035	3,070
	Quintile 3	2,950	2,815	2,720	3,375	2,885	2,965
	Quintile 4	3,000	2,680	2,765	3,480	3,025	2,930
	Quintile 5	2,375	2,295	2,375	2,980	2,650	2,485
Offers	Quintile 1	1,965	1,690	1,790	2,140	2,045	2,140
	Quintile 2	2,270	2,095	2,105	2,680	2,365	2,465
	Quintile 3	2,420	2,190	2,180	2,775	2,320	2,395
	Quintile 4	2,515	2,160	2,270	2,930	2,525	2,480
	Quintile 5	1,975	1,910	1,995	2,585	2,260	2,130
Offer rate	Quintile 1	76.6%	70.0%	73.6%	75.0%	73.1%	75.3%
	Quintile 2	80.4%	75.1%	78.2%	81.0%	78.0%	80.2%
	Quintile 3	82.0%	77.9%	80.1%	82.3%	80.4%	80.7%
	Quintile 4	83.8%	80.6%	82.1%	84.2%	83.5%	84.6%
	Quintile 5	83.2%	83.2%	84.0%	86.8%	85.3%	85.6%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	465	395	510	680	660	645
	Black	400	415	515	700	610	580
	Mixed	305	325	345	480	415	415
	White	11,300	10,790	10,660	13,155	11,920	11,850
	Other	45	45	70	95	95	95
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	55	55	65	80	65	100
	Black	55	45	65	80	70	70
	Mixed	70	60	65	80	60	75
	White	2,690	2,635	2,360	2,760	2,620	2,875
	Other	5	10	10	10	10	10
All placed applicants	Asian	70	105	90	100	100	130
	Black	75	95	80	95	95	105
	Mixed	75	75	75	90	75	85
	White	2,925	3,195	2,690	2,960	2,930	3,240
	Other	10	10	10	10	15	15

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	475	405	525	695	670	670
	Black	410	420	540	710	615	580
	Mixed	330	345	365	500	425	435
	White	12,430	11,745	11,465	13,970	12,565	12,515
	Other	45	50	70	95	95	95
Offers	Asian	340	315	435	590	520	535
	Black	255	250	350	500	395	360
	Mixed	270	260	270	420	340	355
	White	10,220	9,165	9,215	11,510	10,165	10,280
	Other	30	35	50	80	85	80
Offer rate	Asian	71.4%	78.2%	82.7%	84.9%	78.0%	80.1%
	Black	62.6%	59.0%	65.2%	69.9%	64.0%	61.9%
	Mixed	82.7%	75.3%	74.5%	83.6%	80.5%	82.1%
	White	82.2%	78.1%	80.4%	82.4%	80.9%	82.1%
	Other	69.6%	70.0%	73.9%	81.4%	85.6%	81.4%

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 2015 cycle runs from September 2014 through to October 2015.

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.

POLAR3 quintile
Developed by HEFCE, POLAR3 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). POLAR3 is based on the participation rates of young people between 2005 and 2009 who entered Higher Education between 2005-06 and 2010-11, 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 POLAR3 quintile are not reported.

Sex
Sex as declared by the applicant.

SIMD quintile

Scottish index of multiple deprivation (SIMD) for 2012 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 2015 End of Cycle Report and the 2016 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 POLAR3 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 POLAR3 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.

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.

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.