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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	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	14,920	14,360	16,035	17,945	17,540	18,065
Placed June deadline applicants	2,620	2,820	3,040	2,900	2,925	3,135
All placed applicants	3,030	3,455	3,435	3,270	3,340	3,750
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	193.8	185.7	210.7	238.3	228.9	241.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	34.0	36.4	40.0	38.5	38.2	41.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	39.3	44.7	45.2	43.4	43.6	50.0

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	15,860	15,170	16,895	18,885	18,355	18,895
Offers	10,640	10,970	12,840	14,230	13,795	14,125
Offer rate	67.1%	72.3%	76.0%	75.4%	75.2%	74.8%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	6,380	5,920	6,650	7,375	7,125	7,105
	Women	8,545	8,445	9,385	10,570	10,415	10,960
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,130	1,115	1,225	1,120	1,130	1,180
	Women	1,495	1,705	1,815	1,780	1,795	1,955
All placed applicants	Men	1,315	1,410	1,410	1,270	1,280	1,460
	Women	1,715	2,045	2,025	2,000	2,060	2,290
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	162.1	149.2	170.3	190.5	181.5	185.0
population	Women	226.9	224.0	253.3	288.8	278.7	300.0
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	28.7	28.1	31.4	28.9	28.7	30.7
10,000 population	Women	39.6	45.2	49.0	48.6	48.1	53.5
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	33.5	35.5	36.1	32.8	32.6	38.0
population	Women	45.5	54.3	54.7	54.6	55.2	62.7

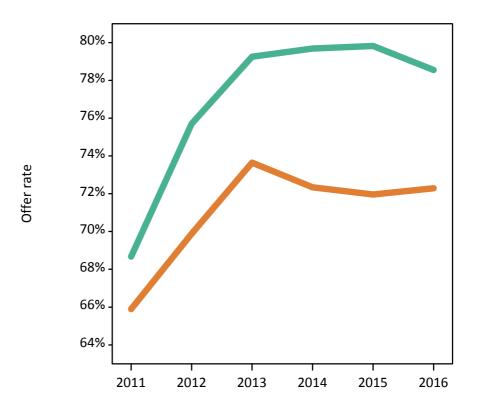
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	6,835	6,280	7,040	7,770	7,460	7,435
	Women	9,025	8,890	9,860	11,110	10,895	11,460
Offers	Men	4,695	4,755	5,580	6,195	5,955	5,840
	Women	5,945	6,215	7,260	8,040	7,840	8,285
Offer rate	Men	68.7%	75.7%	79.3%	79.7%	79.8%	78.5%
	Women	65.9%	69.9%	73.6%	72.3%	72.0%	72.3%
Average offer rate	Men	70.3%	76.6%	80.5%	81.0%	80.4%	79.3%
	Women	64.7%	69.2%	72.8%	71.4%	71.6%	71.8%
Percentage point difference between	Men	-1.6	-0.9	-1.2	-1.4	-0.6	-0.7
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	1.2	0.6	0.9	1.0	0.4	0.5
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.578	0.559	0.561	0.553	0.549	0.534
offer rate	Women	0.681	0.689	0.687	0.687	0.691	0.698

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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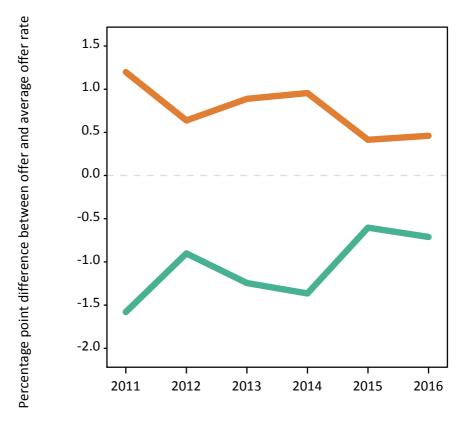




P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.





P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,190	1,200	1,265	1,560	1,550	1,515
	Quintile 2	2,025	1,995	2,170	2,410	2,460	2,615
	Quintile 3	2,530	2,430	2,745	3,125	3,010	3,035
	Quintile 4	3,785	3,565	4,025	4,265	4,390	4,330
	Quintile 5	5,365	5,130	5,815	6,555	6,085	6,495
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	180	235	215	275	270	295
	Quintile 2	390	385	470	405	440	485
	Quintile 3	435	500	510	500	510	545
	Quintile 4	680	705	790	715	740	760
	Quintile 5	935	985	1,050	1,000	960	1,030
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	195	270	235	295	295	335
	Quintile 2	425	465	520	445	505	550
	Quintile 3	495	585	555	560	570	635
	Quintile 4	780	870	890	815	835	900
	Quintile 5	1,130	1,255	1,230	1,150	1,130	1,315
June deadline applicants per 10,00	0 Quintile 1	82.9	84.4	90.6	112.1	110.7	112.1
population	Quintile 2	134.6	133.1	147.4	164.6	165.8	180.8
	Quintile 3	164.4	157.5	179.9	207.6	196.0	202.0
	Quintile 4	241.8	224.8	257.2	276.8	280.4	280.6
	Quintile 5	324.2	305.4	351.6	401.9	363.4	393.2
Placed June deadline applicants pe	r Quintile 1	12.5	16.5	15.5	19.6	19.1	22.0
10,000 population	Quintile 2	25.8	25.7	31.9	27.7	29.6	33.5
	Quintile 3	28.3	32.2	33.6	33.2	33.2	36.4
	Quintile 4	43.4	44.5	50.6	46.3	47.4	49.2
	Quintile 5	56.4	58.7	63.5	61.3	57.3	62.5
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	13.5	19.1	16.8	21.1	21.0	24.8
population	Quintile 2	28.2	30.9	35.4	30.3	33.9	38.1
	Quintile 3	32.3	38.0	36.5	37.1	37.1	42.2
	Quintile 4	49.9	54.7	57.0	52.9	53.3	58.3
	Quintile 5	68.3	74.8	74.3	70.6	67.6	79.7

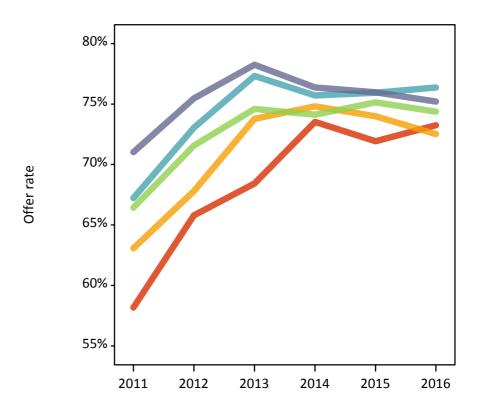
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic POI	AR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,290	1,305	1,355	1,685	1,635	1,610
	Quintile 2	2,230	2,145	2,325	2,580	2,605	2,790
	Quintile 3	2,680	2,580	2,915	3,315	3,160	3,190
	Quintile 4	4,020	3,750	4,215	4,470	4,605	4,500
	Quintile 5	5,615	5,355	6,060	6,795	6,310	6,725
Offers	Quintile 1	750	860	930	1,240	1,175	1,180
	Quintile 2	1,405	1,455	1,715	1,930	1,930	2,025
	Quintile 3	1,780	1,845	2,175	2,455	2,375	2,375
	Quintile 4	2,700	2,740	3,260	3,385	3,495	3,435
	Quintile 5	3,985	4,040	4,740	5,190	4,795	5,055
Offer rate	Quintile 1	58.2%	65.8%	68.4%	73.5%	71.9%	73.2%
	Quintile 2	63.1%	67.8%	73.8%	74.8%	74.0%	72.5%
	Quintile 3	66.4%	71.6%	74.6%	74.1%	75.1%	74.4%
	Quintile 4	67.2%	73.0%	77.3%	75.7%	75.9%	76.4%
	Quintile 5	71.0%	75.5%	78.3%	76.4%	76.0%	75.2%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	60.6%	67.4%	69.8%	72.5%	71.6%	72.1%
	Quintile 2	64.2%	68.8%	73.0%	73.4%	73.9%	73.0%
	Quintile 3	66.2%	71.8%	75.3%	74.6%	74.9%	75.0%
	Quintile 4	67.4%	73.3%	77.5%	76.5%	76.9%	76.3%
	Quintile 5	70.0%	74.4%	77.8%	76.4%	75.5%	75.0%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-2.5	-1.6	-1.4	1.0	0.3	1.1
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-1.1	-1.0	0.8	1.4	0.1	-0.5
	Quintile 3	0.2	-0.3	-0.7	-0.5	0.2	-0.6
	Quintile 4	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.8	-0.9	0.1
	Quintile 5	1.0	1.1	0.4	-0.0	0.4	0.2
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.167	0.181	0.173	0.171	0.170	0.165
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.219	0.220	0.210	0.202	0.212	0.214
	Quintile 3	0.230	0.234	0.230	0.231	0.224	0.220
	Quintile 4	0.304	0.298	0.293	0.282	0.292	0.283
	Quintile 5	0.414	0.412	0.416	0.418	0.402	0.417

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

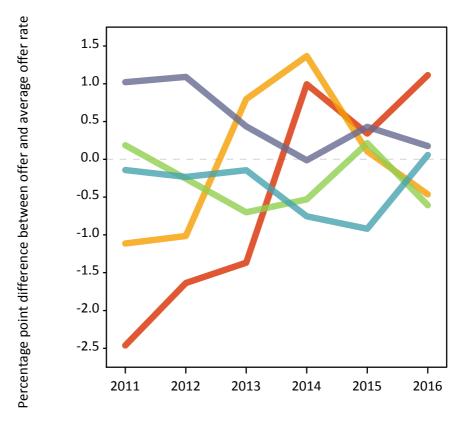
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.





P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	940	945	1,205	1,525	1,535	1,725
	Black	145	190	260	360	355	430
	Mixed	385	395	500	595	615	635
	White	13,290	12,670	13,900	15,215	14,770	14,980
	Other	75	95	100	175	170	195
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	105	120	170	175	175	175
	Black	10	25	30	40	40	50
	Mixed	45	65	85	85	95	110
	White	2,440	2,580	2,740	2,575	2,580	2,765
	Other	15	15	10	10	30	15
All placed applicants	Asian	145	185	195	210	220	235
	Black	20	45	40	50	50	70
	Mixed	60	90	105	100	115	140
	White	2,780	3,105	3,075	2,880	2,915	3,250
	Other	20	20	15	20	30	30
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	149.0	145.8	182.6	225.0	216.7	239.4
population	Black	53.4	68.2	88.2	118.1	110.9	137.4
	Mixed	158.5	151.3	185.3	207.2	199.1	201.5
	White	205.3	196.2	220.9	246.6	237.1	247.6
	Other	93.8	107.4	108.1	190.2	175.3	198.4
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	16.3	18.2	25.6	26.0	24.4	24.2
10,000 population	Black	2.9	9.2	9.4	12.5	12.3	15.3
	Mixed	17.8	25.3	30.7	29.2	30.5	34.6
	White	37.7	40.0	43.6	41.8	41.4	45.7
	Other	19.8	19.2	12.1	11.8	29.0	17.1
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	22.8	28.4	29.7	30.8	31.4	32.7
population	Black	6.6	16.0	12.8	16.2	15.4	22.4
	Mixed	23.9	34.2	38.1	34.4	36.6	44.5
	White	42.9	48.1	48.8	46.7	46.8	53.7
	Other	23.5	21.5	17.6	19.3	33.2	30.2

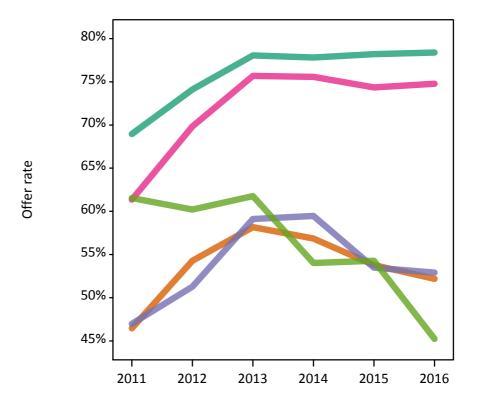
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	975	980	1,285	1,585	1,600	1,785
	Black	150	195	270	375	360	445
	Mixed	395	410	520	620	645	650
	White	14,170	13,415	14,650	16,040	15,475	15,700
	Other	80	100	100	185	175	210
Offers	Asian	455	535	745	900	860	930
	Black	70	100	160	225	190	235
	Mixed	245	285	390	465	480	485
	White	9,770	9,940	11,435	12,480	12,100	12,305
	Other	50	60	65	100	95	95
Offer rate	Asian	46.5%	54.3%	58.2%	56.9%	53.8%	52.2%
	Black	47.0%	51.3%	59.1%	59.5%	53.5%	52.9%
	Mixed	61.4%	69.8%	75.7%	75.6%	74.3%	74.8%
	White	68.9%	74.1%	78.1%	77.8%	78.2%	78.4%
	Other	61.5%	60.2%	61.8%	54.0%	54.3%	45.2%
Average offer rate	Asian	48.7%	55.3%	59.7%	58.1%	57.0%	54.2%
	Black	50.7%	56.9%	61.9%	60.8%	58.0%	58.0%
	Mixed	64.1%	71.4%	75.1%	74.8%	74.8%	73.9%
	White	68.7%	73.9%	77.8%	77.6%	77.7%	78.0%
	Other	60.9%	58.3%	64.4%	57.9%	55.1%	50.8%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	-2.3	-1.1	-1.5	-1.3	-3.2	-2.0
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-3.7	-5.6	-2.8	-1.3	-4.5	-5.1
	Mixed	-2.8	-1.6	0.6	0.8	-0.5	0.8
	White	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.4
	Other	0.6	1.9	-2.6	-3.9	-0.9	-5.6
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.244	0.224	0.247	0.232	0.241	0.257
offer rate	Black	0.085	0.128	0.087	0.124	0.109	0.109
	Mixed	0.101	0.087	0.090	0.091	0.103	0.101
	White	0.911	0.902	0.890	0.874	0.869	0.863
	Other	0.043	0.087	0.103	0.087	0.084	0.080

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

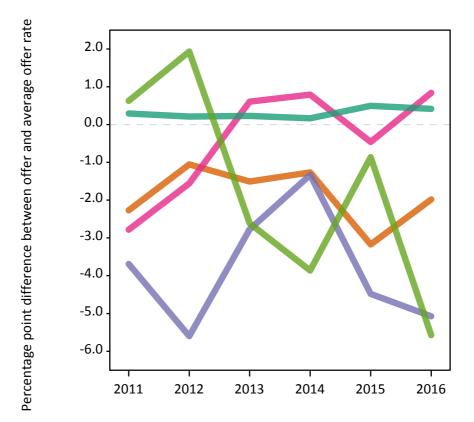
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P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.





P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	24,200	23,015	25,590	28,260	28,015	28,340
Placed June deadline applicants	3,795	4,010	4,500	4,390	4,560	4,855
All placed applicants	4,350	4,900	5,095	4,970	5,200	5,715

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	25,915	24,570	27,210	30,080	29,730	30,005
Offers	13,920	14,370	17,235	19,175	19,080	19,395
Offer rate	53.7%	58.5%	63.3%	63.8%	64.2%	64.6%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	10,035	9,105	10,310	11,385	11,360	11,070
	Women	14,165	13,910	15,280	16,875	16,655	17,270
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,605	1,625	1,840	1,700	1,840	1,885
	Women	2,190	2,385	2,660	2,690	2,720	2,970
All placed applicants	Men	1,865	2,060	2,115	1,935	2,100	2,285
	Women	2,485	2,840	2,980	3,035	3,100	3,430

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	10,825	9,790	10,985	12,155	12,100	11,720
	Women	15,095	14,780	16,225	17,925	17,630	18,290
Offers	Men	6,225	6,365	7,665	8,515	8,485	8,230
	Women	7,695	8,005	9,570	10,660	10,595	11,165
Offer rate	Men	57.5%	65.0%	69.8%	70.0%	70.1%	70.2%
	Women	51.0%	54.2%	59.0%	59.5%	60.1%	61.0%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,570	2,545	2,725	3,090	3,160	3,085
	Quintile 2	3,685	3,605	3,850	4,235	4,380	4,545
	Quintile 3	4,205	3,975	4,430	5,040	4,860	4,925
	Quintile 4	5,825	5,380	6,045	6,520	6,700	6,530
	Quintile 5	7,860	7,460	8,485	9,315	8,830	9,115
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	320	375	425	490	505	560
	Quintile 2	600	565	705	685	725	810
	Quintile 3	650	705	745	740	800	850
	Quintile 4	950	1,005	1,095	1,050	1,115	1,135
	Quintile 5	1,270	1,350	1,525	1,410	1,405	1,480
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	350	440	465	555	555	625
	Quintile 2	650	675	785	750	825	910
	Quintile 3	735	830	825	825	895	985
	Quintile 4	1,090	1,225	1,235	1,190	1,260	1,330
	Quintile 5	1,520	1,710	1,775	1,640	1,650	1,840

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,820	2,810	3,005	3,400	3,430	3,320
	Quintile 2	4,035	3,880	4,130	4,585	4,705	4,910
	Quintile 3	4,500	4,245	4,725	5,395	5,170	5,235
	Quintile 4	6,205	5,730	6,380	6,870	7,100	6,845
	Quintile 5	8,285	7,850	8,910	9,775	9,240	9,550
Offers	Quintile 1	1,100	1,285	1,500	1,890	1,920	1,925
	Quintile 2	1,935	1,980	2,390	2,740	2,845	2,930
	Quintile 3	2,340	2,395	2,910	3,325	3,275	3,295
	Quintile 4	3,470	3,545	4,215	4,480	4,650	4,630
	Quintile 5	5,060	5,130	6,185	6,700	6,345	6,525
Offer rate	Quintile 1	39.0%	45.7%	50.0%	55.6%	56.0%	58.1%
	Quintile 2	47.9%	51.0%	57.9%	59.7%	60.4%	59.7%
	Quintile 3	52.0%	56.5%	61.6%	61.6%	63.4%	62.9%
	Quintile 4	55.9%	61.9%	66.1%	65.2%	65.5%	67.6%
	Quintile 5	61.0%	65.3%	69.4%	68.5%	68.7%	68.3%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,800	1,800	2,160	2,590	2,735	2,820
	Black	620	695	765	920	955	1,035
	Mixed	660	620	810	945	975	1,015
	White	20,770	19,550	21,455	23,275	22,805	22,870
	Other	175	210	255	350	340	390
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	160	190	260	270	300	310
	Black	30	55	65	80	85	115
	Mixed	75	95	120	125	145	165
	White	3,485	3,625	4,000	3,860	3,965	4,185
	Other	30	25	30	25	45	45
All placed applicants	Asian	225	290	315	320	385	410
	Black	40	85	90	100	115	155
	Mixed	95	125	150	150	170	210
	White	3,930	4,345	4,470	4,330	4,450	4,835
	Other	30	30	40	40	55	60

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	1,885	1,895	2,320	2,740	2,890	2,945
	Black	655	735	805	975	1,000	1,105
	Mixed	695	665	855	995	1,030	1,055
	White	22,305	20,910	22,795	24,805	24,240	24,255
	Other	185	220	270	380	360	425
Offers	Asian	655	840	1,120	1,300	1,350	1,385
	Black	160	190	290	390	375	450
	Mixed	350	390	525	645	675	705
	White	12,595	12,790	15,090	16,570	16,385	16,555
	Other	75	90	125	165	180	180
Offer rate	Asian	34.9%	44.4%	48.2%	47.5%	46.8%	47.0%
	Black	24.2%	25.9%	36.2%	40.1%	37.5%	40.9%
	Mixed	50.6%	58.8%	61.4%	64.9%	65.9%	66.8%
	White	56.5%	61.2%	66.2%	66.8%	67.6%	68.2%
	Other	40.8%	40.1%	45.9%	43.0%	49.7%	42.6%

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 2016 cycle runs from September 2015 through to October 2016.

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 2016 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.

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.

Provider

A higher education provider - a university or college.

LIK 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.