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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

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

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P.1 18 year old applicants

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	14,270	15,000	14,010	14,140	15,170	15,435
Placed June deadline applicants	2,225	2,460	2,425	2,575	2,510	2,660
All placed applicants	2,235	2,555	2,585	2,660	2,545	2,705
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	185.3	193.9	184.1	187.7	198.0	205.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	28.9	31.8	31.9	34.2	32.7	35.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	29.0	33.0	34.0	35.3	33.2	36.1

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	14,455	15,255	14,180	14,315	15,370	15,655
Offers	7,415	7,995	8,345	9,800	10,610	11,065
Offer rate	51.3%	52.4%	58.9%	68.4%	69.0%	70.7%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	7,085	7,515	6,965	7,095	7,565	7,545
	Women	7,185	7,490	7,045	7,045	7,605	7,885
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,040	1,110	1,115	1,200	1,185	1,215
	Women	1,185	1,350	1,315	1,375	1,325	1,450
All placed applicants	Men	1,040	1,150	1,200	1,245	1,200	1,235
	Women	1,190	1,405	1,385	1,415	1,340	1,470
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	180.1	189.4	178.4	183.3	192.7	196.5
	Women	190.8	198.7	190.2	192.5	203.5	215.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	26.4	28.0	28.5	31.0	30.2	31.6
	Women	31.4	35.8	35.4	37.6	35.4	39.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	26.5	28.9	30.7	32.1	30.6	32.2
	Women	31.7	37.3	37.4	38.6	35.9	40.2

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	7,180	7,635	7,040	7,190	7,660	7,645
	Women	7,275	7,620	7,140	7,130	7,710	8,010
Offers	Men	3,565	3,860	4,000	4,680	5,080	5,215
	Women	3,850	4,135	4,345	5,120	5,530	5,850
Offer rate	Men	49.6%	50.6%	56.8%	65.1%	66.3%	68.2%
	Women	52.9%	54.3%	60.9%	71.8%	71.7%	73.0%
Average offer rate	Men	51.4%	52.0%	58.0%	66.4%	68.0%	69.5%
	Women	51.2%	52.8%	59.7%	70.5%	70.0%	71.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-1.8	-1.4	-1.2	-1.3	-1.7	-1.3
	Women	1.8	1.4	1.1	1.3	1.7	1.2
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.587	0.588	0.588	0.590	0.591	0.590
	Women	0.593	0.587	0.593	0.587	0.593	0.609

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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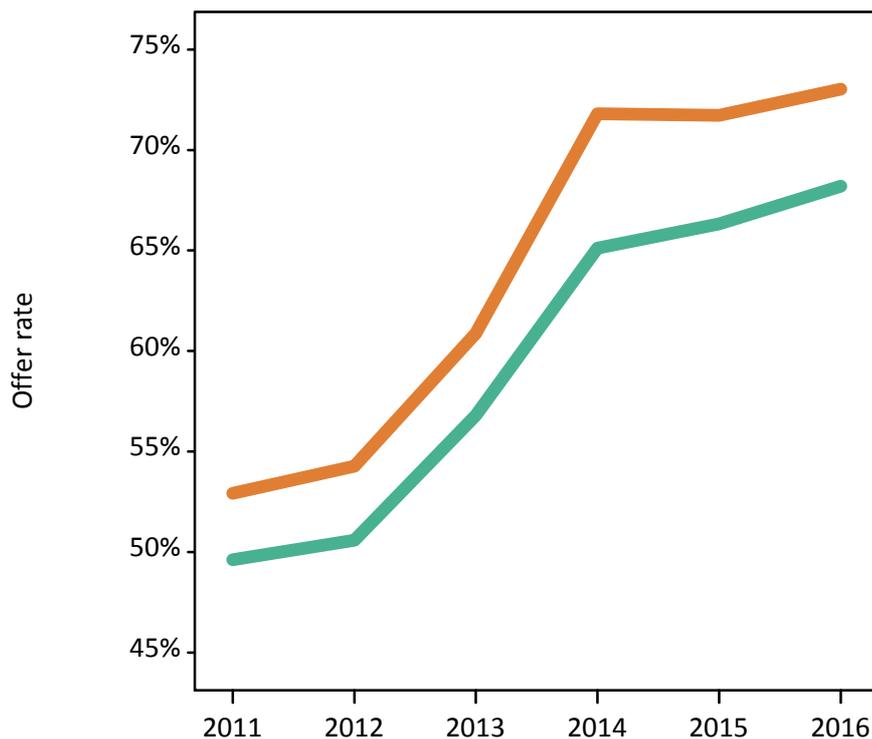
P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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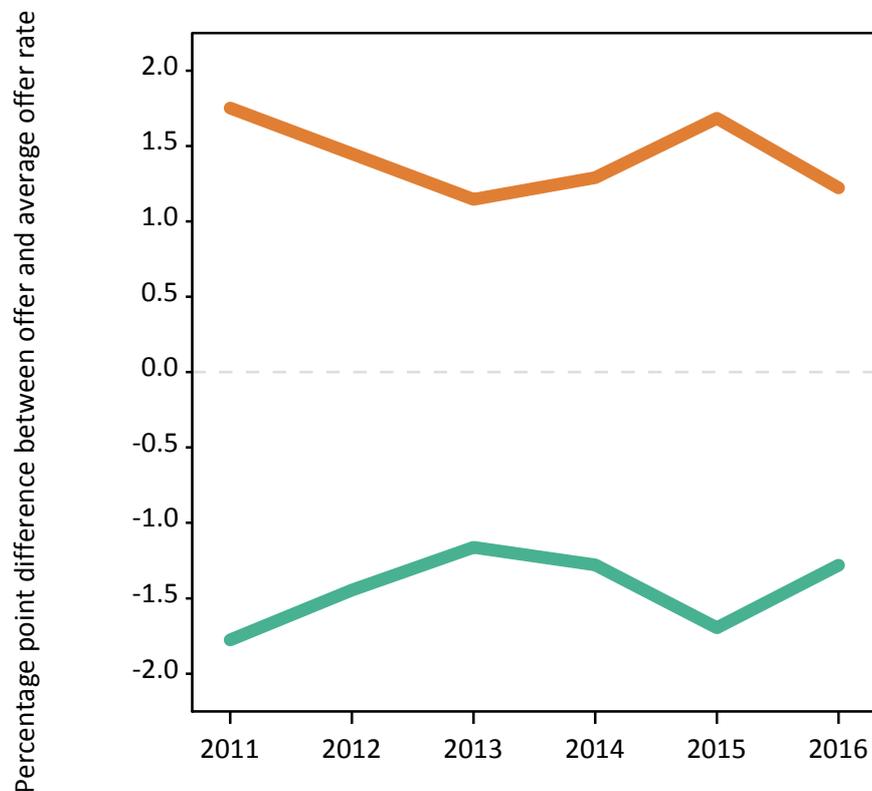
P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	765	755	730	780	835	865
	Quintile 2	1,295	1,290	1,250	1,240	1,355	1,425
	Quintile 3	1,985	2,080	1,970	2,025	2,130	2,180
	Quintile 4	3,350	3,460	3,190	3,160	3,480	3,495
	Quintile 5	6,845	7,375	6,840	6,900	7,330	7,415
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	115	125	110	105	115	140
	Quintile 2	190	195	195	225	185	210
	Quintile 3	295	340	325	355	335	335
	Quintile 4	495	560	570	545	580	625
	Quintile 5	1,130	1,240	1,220	1,340	1,290	1,340
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	115	125	115	110	115	145
	Quintile 2	190	200	210	230	185	215
	Quintile 3	295	355	350	365	335	345
	Quintile 4	495	575	600	565	590	630
	Quintile 5	1,135	1,295	1,300	1,380	1,310	1,355
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	53.2	53.1	52.5	56.0	59.7	64.2
	Quintile 2	86.0	85.9	84.8	84.7	91.2	98.4
	Quintile 3	128.9	134.7	129.2	134.6	138.6	145.1
	Quintile 4	213.9	218.1	204.1	205.1	222.2	226.2
	Quintile 5	413.4	439.1	413.8	423.2	438.0	448.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	7.9	8.6	7.8	7.5	8.2	10.4
	Quintile 2	12.6	13.1	13.1	15.2	12.3	14.4
	Quintile 3	19.1	22.0	21.4	23.5	21.7	22.4
	Quintile 4	31.6	35.2	36.5	35.4	37.1	40.4
	Quintile 5	68.1	73.7	73.9	82.3	77.2	81.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	7.9	8.7	8.1	7.8	8.2	10.7
	Quintile 2	12.6	13.4	14.3	15.8	12.5	14.9
	Quintile 3	19.1	22.9	22.9	24.2	21.9	23.1
	Quintile 4	31.7	36.4	38.5	36.8	37.8	40.8
	Quintile 5	68.6	77.0	78.6	84.7	78.3	82.1

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	775	770	750	790	855	895
	Quintile 2	1,325	1,320	1,270	1,260	1,375	1,445
	Quintile 3	2,015	2,125	1,995	2,050	2,165	2,210
	Quintile 4	3,380	3,500	3,225	3,200	3,520	3,540
	Quintile 5	6,925	7,495	6,915	6,975	7,415	7,510
Offers	Quintile 1	365	380	395	480	505	585
	Quintile 2	625	645	700	820	890	975
	Quintile 3	1,010	1,105	1,140	1,340	1,450	1,510
	Quintile 4	1,705	1,810	1,895	2,185	2,460	2,525
	Quintile 5	3,685	4,040	4,200	4,955	5,285	5,430
Offer rate	Quintile 1	46.8%	49.4%	52.5%	60.6%	58.8%	65.4%
	Quintile 2	47.3%	48.7%	55.2%	64.9%	64.7%	67.5%
	Quintile 3	50.1%	52.0%	57.0%	65.4%	66.9%	68.3%
	Quintile 4	50.4%	51.7%	58.8%	68.2%	69.9%	71.4%
	Quintile 5	53.2%	53.9%	60.8%	71.0%	71.3%	72.3%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	46.1%	47.2%	52.4%	62.0%	59.3%	60.7%
	Quintile 2	48.4%	49.6%	55.4%	65.0%	64.6%	66.9%
	Quintile 3	51.1%	51.0%	56.9%	66.6%	67.4%	67.7%
	Quintile 4	50.6%	52.7%	58.5%	67.2%	69.6%	70.8%
	Quintile 5	52.7%	53.8%	60.9%	71.0%	71.3%	73.4%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.8	2.2	0.1	-1.3	-0.5	4.7
	Quintile 2	-1.1	-0.9	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.6
	Quintile 3	-0.9	1.0	0.2	-1.2	-0.5	0.6
	Quintile 4	-0.2	-1.1	0.3	1.0	0.3	0.6
	Quintile 5	0.5	0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.1	-1.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.140	0.122	0.147	0.142	0.158	0.156
	Quintile 2	0.153	0.140	0.142	0.145	0.147	0.151
	Quintile 3	0.187	0.180	0.186	0.190	0.184	0.186
	Quintile 4	0.266	0.263	0.256	0.258	0.259	0.258
	Quintile 5	0.521	0.532	0.529	0.531	0.527	0.527

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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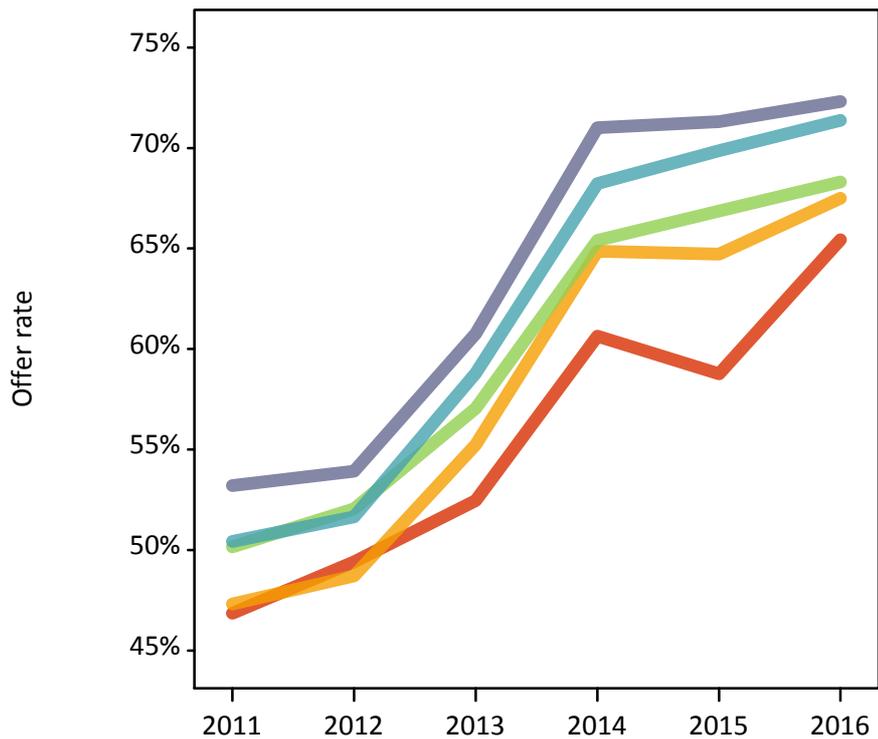
P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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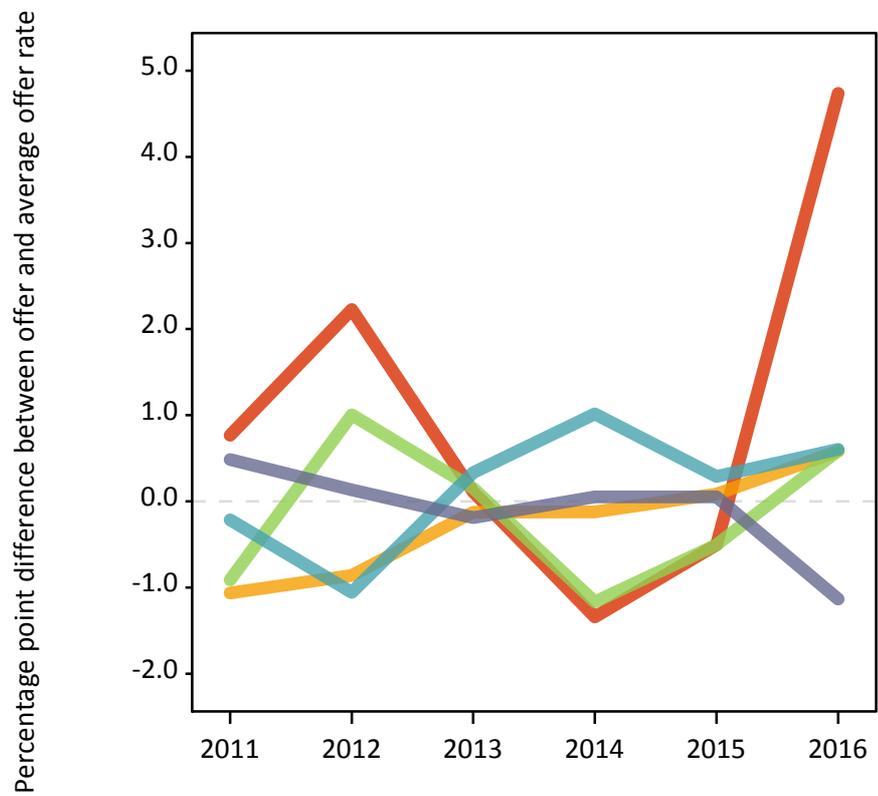
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P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	655	815	780	835	910	1,070
	Black	155	185	220	230	265	345
	Mixed	505	535	595	615	655	775
	White	12,735	13,240	12,235	12,280	13,055	12,985
	Other	65	85	75	85	95	115
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	65	80	95	105	85	115
	Black	15	20	20	20	35	35
	Mixed	70	75	95	105	105	125
	White	2,035	2,265	2,200	2,315	2,245	2,370
	Other	10	10	5	10	5	5
All placed applicants	Asian	70	85	120	120	90	120
	Black	15	20	20	25	40	40
	Mixed	70	80	100	115	110	125
	White	2,045	2,345	2,320	2,370	2,265	2,400
	Other	10	15	5	10	10	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	103.9	125.8	118.0	123.4	128.7	148.8
	Black	57.4	65.7	74.1	75.9	82.9	110.9
	Mixed	207.7	205.0	219.7	213.1	213.1	246.3
	White	196.7	205.0	194.5	199.0	209.5	214.6
	Other	79.0	94.9	83.8	89.2	97.5	113.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	10.5	12.0	14.4	15.8	12.2	15.7
	Black	5.1	6.4	6.4	6.3	11.3	11.5
	Mixed	29.3	29.6	35.1	37.2	34.1	39.4
	White	31.5	35.0	35.0	37.5	36.1	39.2
	Other	9.9	12.4	6.6	11.8	7.3	4.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	10.9	13.0	18.0	18.0	12.9	16.8
	Black	5.1	6.7	7.1	8.2	12.9	12.5
	Mixed	29.3	30.3	37.7	40.3	35.0	39.7
	White	31.6	36.3	36.9	38.4	36.4	39.7
	Other	9.9	14.7	7.7	11.8	9.3	5.0

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	660	825	780	845	925	1,080
	Black	160	185	225	230	265	350
	Mixed	505	540	600	620	665	780
	White	12,910	13,470	12,395	12,435	13,235	13,185
	Other	65	85	75	85	95	115
Offers	Asian	385	415	455	575	670	775
	Black	65	70	95	140	165	215
	Mixed	280	290	355	420	465	575
	White	6,560	7,125	7,325	8,540	9,110	9,340
	Other	30	40	50	55	60	65
Offer rate	Asian	57.9%	50.2%	58.5%	68.2%	72.5%	71.7%
	Black	41.1%	38.0%	43.5%	59.5%	61.4%	60.7%
	Mixed	55.3%	53.9%	59.5%	67.7%	70.2%	73.8%
	White	50.8%	52.9%	59.1%	68.7%	68.9%	70.9%
	Other	49.2%	44.2%	63.2%	63.5%	64.9%	54.8%
Average offer rate	Asian	58.0%	52.0%	59.4%	70.1%	72.9%	71.1%
	Black	47.9%	40.5%	51.4%	63.5%	66.6%	62.5%
	Mixed	52.8%	52.7%	59.3%	68.5%	68.1%	72.8%
	White	50.9%	52.7%	58.9%	68.4%	68.9%	70.8%
	Other	44.4%	48.9%	62.1%	69.1%	63.5%	59.6%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-0.1	-1.8	-0.8	-1.9	-0.4	0.6
	Black	-6.7	-2.6	-7.9	-4.1	-5.1	-1.8
	Mixed	2.5	1.2	0.2	-0.8	2.1	1.0
	White	-0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.0	0.0
	Other	4.8	-4.7	1.0	-5.6	1.4	-4.8
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.131	0.152	0.140	0.147	0.148	0.152
	Black	0.101	0.104	0.110	0.157	0.114	0.124
	Mixed	0.080	0.083	0.093	0.088	0.095	0.103
	White	0.902	0.894	0.886	0.881	0.874	0.856
	Other	0.052	0.071	0.048	0.044	0.105	0.135

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P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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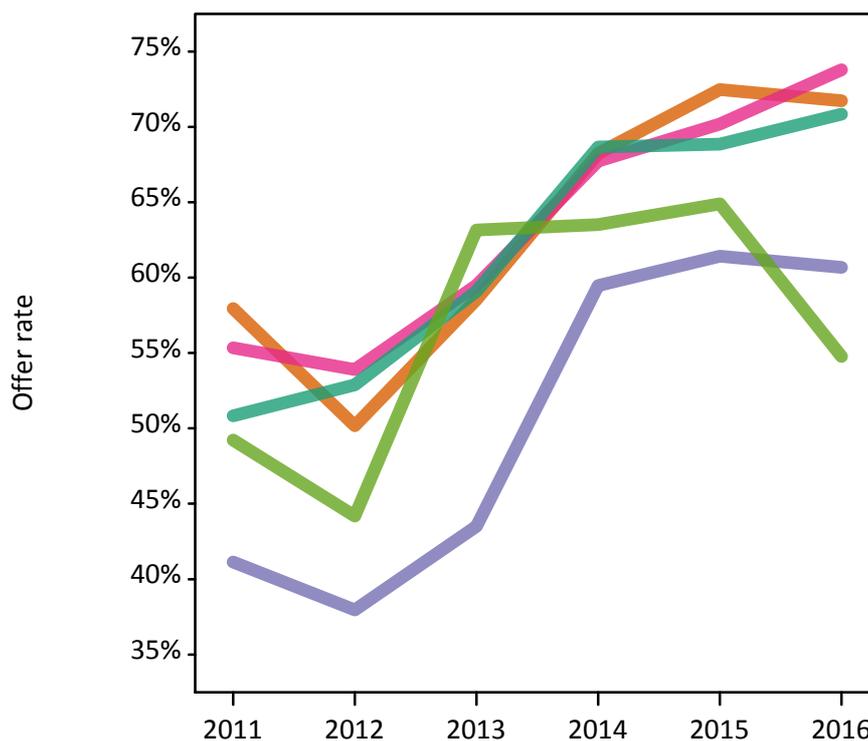
P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group

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P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	18,810	18,560	17,970	18,175	19,235	19,870
Placed June deadline applicants	2,990	3,000	3,055	3,290	3,195	3,440
All placed applicants	3,030	3,125	3,305	3,420	3,250	3,510

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	19,195	18,965	18,315	18,545	19,610	20,320
Offers	9,300	9,375	10,160	11,920	12,800	13,455
Offer rate	48.5%	49.4%	55.5%	64.3%	65.3%	66.2%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	9,440	9,430	9,005	9,235	9,710	9,830
	Women	9,370	9,130	8,965	8,940	9,525	10,040
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,425	1,385	1,410	1,550	1,515	1,585
	Women	1,565	1,620	1,645	1,740	1,680	1,855
All placed applicants	Men	1,440	1,430	1,535	1,615	1,540	1,615
	Women	1,590	1,695	1,770	1,805	1,710	1,890

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	9,635	9,620	9,160	9,415	9,900	10,050
	Women	9,560	9,345	9,150	9,130	9,710	10,265
Offers	Men	4,505	4,565	4,865	5,710	6,160	6,405
	Women	4,795	4,805	5,295	6,210	6,640	7,050
Offer rate	Men	46.7%	47.5%	53.1%	60.6%	62.2%	63.7%
	Women	50.2%	51.4%	57.9%	68.0%	68.4%	68.6%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,240	1,110	1,100	1,190	1,260	1,295
	Quintile 2	1,760	1,720	1,735	1,780	1,845	1,925
	Quintile 3	2,670	2,585	2,585	2,670	2,755	2,895
	Quintile 4	4,315	4,255	4,040	4,025	4,370	4,460
	Quintile 5	8,760	8,830	8,475	8,460	8,955	9,215
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	200	185	160	170	180	205
	Quintile 2	255	255	260	300	260	285
	Quintile 3	425	415	425	460	430	435
	Quintile 4	640	680	710	705	730	815
	Quintile 5	1,460	1,455	1,495	1,650	1,590	1,680
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	205	190	175	175	185	210
	Quintile 2	260	260	285	315	265	295
	Quintile 3	430	435	460	475	435	450
	Quintile 4	645	700	765	740	740	830
	Quintile 5	1,480	1,520	1,610	1,705	1,615	1,705

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,290	1,150	1,150	1,245	1,305	1,350
	Quintile 2	1,810	1,785	1,785	1,825	1,895	1,980
	Quintile 3	2,740	2,650	2,630	2,735	2,815	2,970
	Quintile 4	4,390	4,330	4,100	4,090	4,450	4,560
	Quintile 5	8,905	8,990	8,610	8,600	9,090	9,385
Offers	Quintile 1	530	505	505	645	685	780
	Quintile 2	780	775	895	1,035	1,125	1,200
	Quintile 3	1,275	1,275	1,430	1,660	1,750	1,845
	Quintile 4	2,105	2,130	2,270	2,645	2,940	3,075
	Quintile 5	4,580	4,660	5,050	5,905	6,270	6,505
Offer rate	Quintile 1	41.1%	43.7%	43.8%	51.8%	52.4%	57.7%
	Quintile 2	43.1%	43.6%	50.0%	56.8%	59.3%	60.7%
	Quintile 3	46.5%	48.2%	54.4%	60.8%	62.2%	62.1%
	Quintile 4	47.9%	49.2%	55.3%	64.6%	66.1%	67.4%
	Quintile 5	51.4%	51.8%	58.6%	68.6%	69.0%	69.3%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,000	1,110	1,140	1,200	1,360	1,515
	Black	315	335	390	415	455	570
	Mixed	685	675	755	810	855	1,000
	White	16,460	16,105	15,390	15,430	16,165	16,340
	Other	105	130	125	145	165	195
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	115	120	130	160	135	160
	Black	30	35	30	35	60	55
	Mixed	100	95	115	140	120	160
	White	2,695	2,710	2,750	2,915	2,830	3,020
	Other	15	15	15	15	15	15
All placed applicants	Asian	125	130	170	185	140	175
	Black	35	40	35	45	70	55
	Mixed	100	95	125	155	125	160
	White	2,720	2,815	2,935	2,990	2,860	3,065
	Other	15	20	15	15	20	15

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	1,020	1,135	1,155	1,220	1,380	1,540
	Black	320	345	400	425	465	580
	Mixed	690	680	770	825	865	1,025
	White	16,805	16,455	15,690	15,760	16,490	16,720
	Other	110	135	125	150	165	200
Offers	Asian	540	525	630	745	905	990
	Black	105	105	135	185	230	285
	Mixed	355	345	435	520	560	700
	White	8,125	8,260	8,810	10,280	10,855	11,225
	Other	45	55	65	75	90	100
Offer rate	Asian	53.2%	46.3%	54.7%	61.2%	65.8%	64.4%
	Black	32.4%	31.0%	33.3%	44.1%	49.0%	49.7%
	Mixed	51.5%	50.4%	56.7%	63.3%	64.6%	68.4%
	White	48.3%	50.2%	56.2%	65.2%	65.8%	67.1%
	Other	40.5%	39.3%	53.2%	49.7%	53.7%	50.5%

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.

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.