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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	12,085	12,560	12,795	14,785	15,180	17,960
Placed June deadline applicants	2,015	2,095	2,640	2,165	2,540	2,355
All placed applicants	2,090	2,210	2,730	2,280	2,650	2,440
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	156.9	162.4	168.1	196.3	198.1	239.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	26.1	27.1	34.7	28.7	33.2	31.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	27.1	28.5	35.9	30.3	34.6	32.6

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	12,685	13,215	13,400	15,550	15,930	18,735
Offers	9,955	10,805	11,480	13,015	12,925	14,865
Offer rate	78.5%	81.8%	85.7%	83.7%	81.1%	79.3%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	7,700	7,885	8,055	9,140	9,095	11,140
	Women	4,380	4,675	4,740	5,645	6,085	6,820
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,220	1,345	1,650	1,350	1,500	1,410
	Women	790	755	995	815	1,040	945
All placed applicants	Men	1,275	1,405	1,690	1,415	1,560	1,460
	Women	815	800	1,035	865	1,090	980
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	195.7	198.9	206.3	236.2	231.7	290.0
	Women	116.3	124.0	127.9	154.2	162.9	186.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	31.0	33.9	42.2	34.9	38.3	36.7
	Women	21.0	20.0	26.8	22.3	27.8	25.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	32.4	35.5	43.3	36.6	39.7	38.0
	Women	21.6	21.3	28.0	23.6	29.2	26.8

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	8,140	8,370	8,485	9,690	9,570	11,650
	Women	4,545	4,845	4,915	5,860	6,360	7,085
Offers	Men	6,265	6,685	7,095	7,980	7,535	8,995
	Women	3,690	4,120	4,385	5,040	5,385	5,870
Offer rate	Men	77.0%	79.9%	83.6%	82.3%	78.8%	77.2%
	Women	81.2%	85.0%	89.2%	86.0%	84.7%	82.8%
Average offer rate	Men	77.1%	80.5%	84.0%	82.4%	79.0%	77.4%
	Women	81.1%	83.9%	88.6%	85.9%	84.3%	82.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.1	-0.6	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2
	Women	0.1	1.1	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.740	0.730	0.730	0.726	0.706	0.708
	Women	0.535	0.535	0.535	0.546	0.558	0.519

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 2011-2016.

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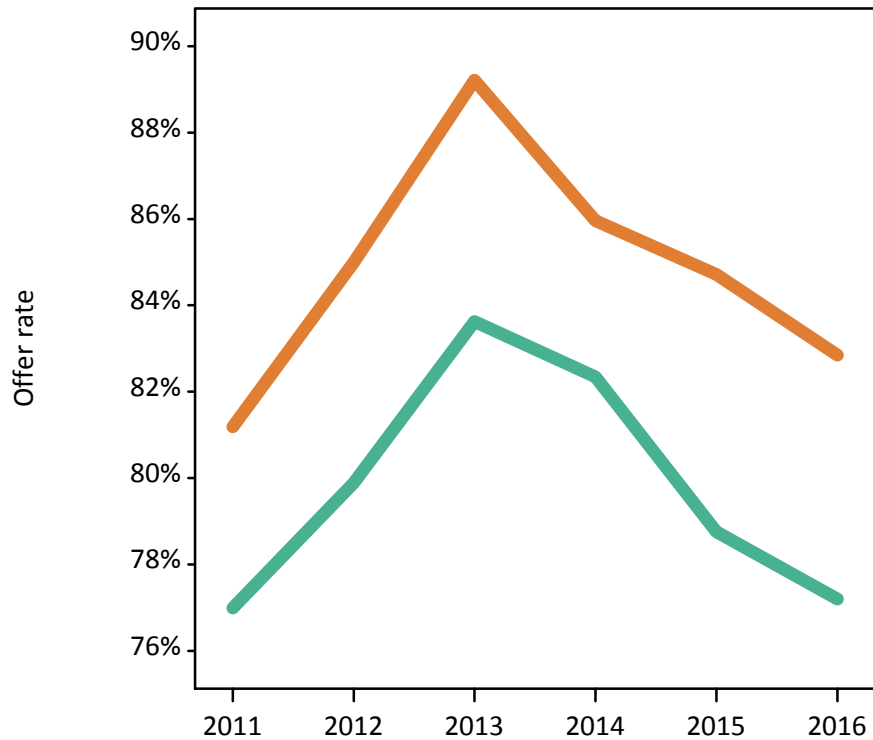
P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex
Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.

Men
Women

P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	785	800	860	1,005	1,035	1,290
	Quintile 2	1,435	1,470	1,605	1,825	1,840	2,265
	Quintile 3	2,040	2,205	2,105	2,560	2,765	3,115
	Quintile 4	3,085	3,060	3,210	3,585	3,775	4,400
	Quintile 5	4,710	4,995	4,990	5,780	5,740	6,805
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	125	125	170	125	165	170
	Quintile 2	225	235	295	270	260	295
	Quintile 3	315	355	430	345	410	400
	Quintile 4	505	540	670	530	660	595
	Quintile 5	845	840	1,070	895	1,040	885
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	125	130	170	125	170	170
	Quintile 2	230	245	300	280	275	305
	Quintile 3	320	365	445	360	425	415
	Quintile 4	530	575	690	555	680	615
	Quintile 5	880	890	1,115	955	1,095	920
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	54.8	56.2	61.6	72.1	73.7	95.6
	Quintile 2	95.3	97.9	109.1	124.9	123.7	156.5
	Quintile 3	132.6	142.7	137.9	170.1	179.9	207.3
	Quintile 4	197.1	193.0	205.3	232.7	241.2	285.1
	Quintile 5	284.4	297.3	301.7	354.5	342.9	411.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	8.6	8.6	12.1	8.8	11.6	12.4
	Quintile 2	14.8	15.7	20.0	18.4	17.4	20.3
	Quintile 3	20.5	22.9	28.3	22.9	26.7	26.6
	Quintile 4	32.2	34.2	42.9	34.4	42.1	38.7
	Quintile 5	50.9	50.0	64.6	55.0	62.2	53.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	8.8	9.0	12.3	9.1	12.2	12.7
	Quintile 2	15.4	16.3	20.4	19.3	18.5	21.0
	Quintile 3	20.9	23.8	29.0	23.9	27.7	27.6
	Quintile 4	33.7	36.2	44.2	36.1	43.3	40.0
	Quintile 5	53.1	53.0	67.4	58.6	65.3	55.7

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	820	845	895	1,070	1,065	1,340
	Quintile 2	1,525	1,545	1,665	1,915	1,915	2,350
	Quintile 3	2,145	2,285	2,190	2,690	2,870	3,255
	Quintile 4	3,240	3,220	3,390	3,780	3,995	4,595
	Quintile 5	4,925	5,280	5,225	6,070	6,050	7,105
Offers	Quintile 1	575	635	695	825	815	1,005
	Quintile 2	1,120	1,190	1,365	1,560	1,415	1,760
	Quintile 3	1,590	1,815	1,835	2,175	2,255	2,500
	Quintile 4	2,555	2,635	2,920	3,150	3,305	3,645
	Quintile 5	4,095	4,500	4,640	5,285	5,110	5,875
Offer rate	Quintile 1	70.2%	75.2%	77.3%	77.3%	76.5%	75.0%
	Quintile 2	73.3%	76.9%	82.0%	81.3%	73.8%	75.0%
	Quintile 3	74.2%	79.3%	83.9%	80.8%	78.5%	76.9%
	Quintile 4	78.8%	81.9%	86.1%	83.3%	82.8%	79.3%
	Quintile 5	83.1%	85.2%	88.8%	87.1%	84.5%	82.7%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	70.9%	75.4%	78.2%	76.8%	76.0%	74.4%
	Quintile 2	73.9%	77.4%	83.0%	81.7%	75.8%	75.4%
	Quintile 3	75.1%	80.6%	84.7%	81.7%	79.5%	77.9%
	Quintile 4	78.3%	81.9%	85.9%	83.3%	82.1%	79.3%
	Quintile 5	82.7%	84.5%	88.1%	86.7%	83.9%	82.2%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-0.7	-0.2	-1.0	0.5	0.5	0.6
	Quintile 2	-0.5	-0.5	-1.0	-0.4	-2.0	-0.4
	Quintile 3	-0.9	-1.3	-0.8	-0.8	-1.0	-1.1
	Quintile 4	0.4	-0.0	0.2	-0.0	0.7	-0.0
	Quintile 5	0.4	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.5
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.138	0.139	0.145	0.140	0.130	0.127
	Quintile 2	0.191	0.181	0.185	0.177	0.184	0.176
	Quintile 3	0.227	0.228	0.217	0.227	0.228	0.214
	Quintile 4	0.300	0.290	0.296	0.281	0.292	0.278
	Quintile 5	0.440	0.450	0.438	0.440	0.428	0.423

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 2011-2016.
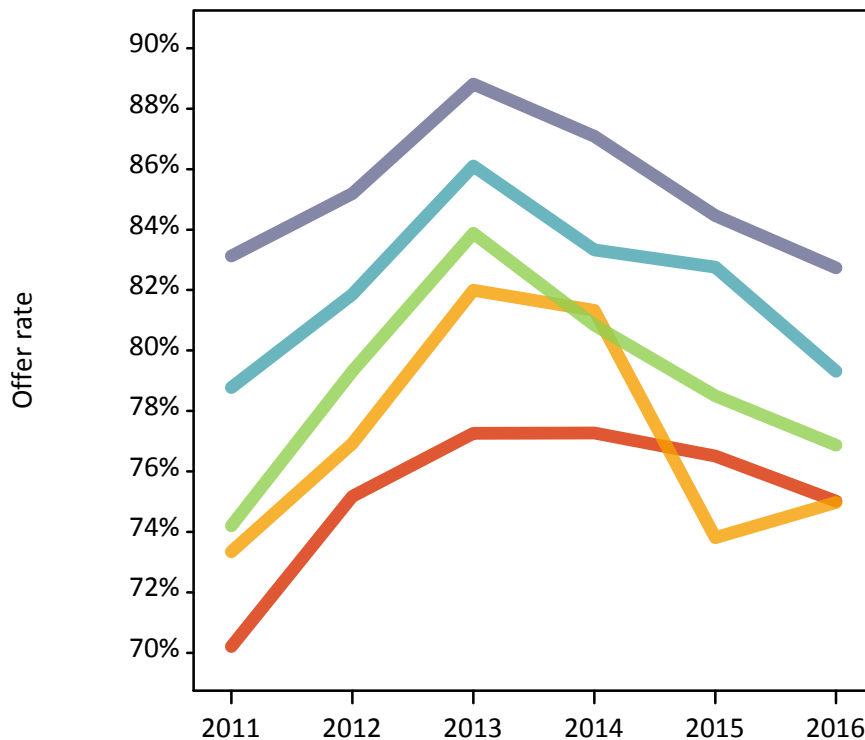
P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile
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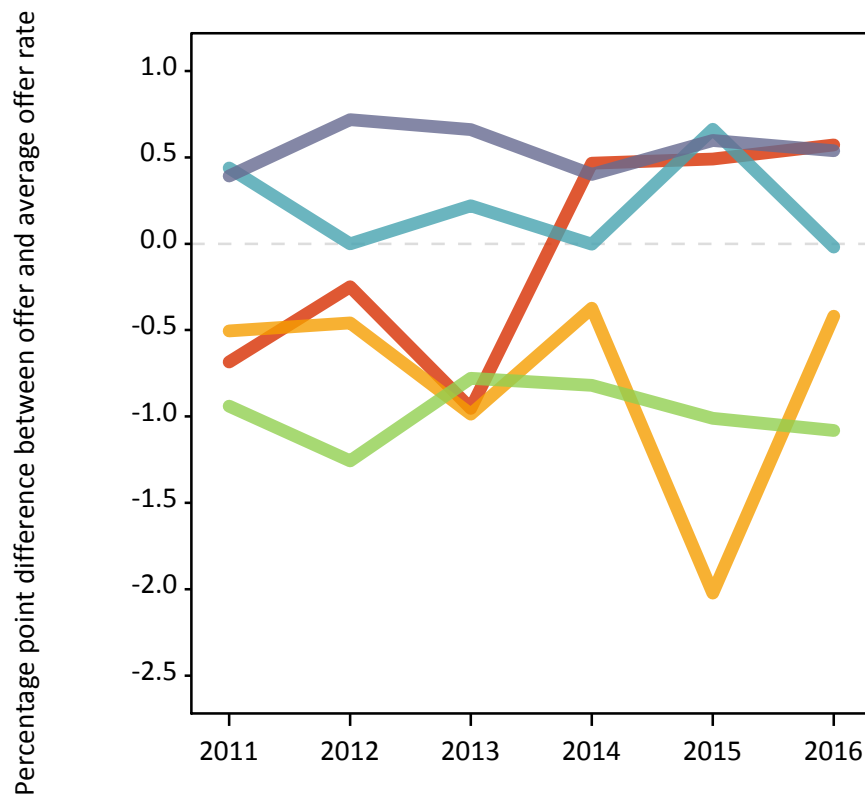
P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,085	1,135	1,280	1,420	1,515	1,945
	Black	510	625	690	885	1,020	1,300
	Mixed	410	440	480	610	645	780
	White	9,940	10,225	10,205	11,700	11,765	13,640
	Other	80	95	100	120	160	195
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	145	140	205	155	185	180
	Black	65	95	125	95	130	135
	Mixed	65	65	90	75	110	90
	White	1,730	1,790	2,205	1,820	2,085	1,925
	Other	10	10	10	10	15	20
All placed applicants	Asian	155	150	215	175	200	195
	Black	70	100	135	110	140	145
	Mixed	65	65	105	75	115	90
	White	1,785	1,880	2,255	1,905	2,165	1,975
	Other	10	10	10	10	15	20
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	172.3	175.0	193.9	209.5	214.2	270.4
	Black	186.5	221.2	232.4	292.6	321.1	415.4
	Mixed	168.9	168.2	177.5	211.7	209.5	247.3
	White	153.6	158.4	162.2	189.7	188.9	225.5
	Other	100.0	106.2	110.3	128.9	163.9	197.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	22.7	21.5	30.9	23.0	26.1	25.0
	Black	23.0	33.0	42.4	32.0	41.2	42.5
	Mixed	26.0	24.2	34.0	26.4	36.3	28.0
	White	26.7	27.7	35.0	29.5	33.5	31.8
	Other	12.3	9.0	9.9	11.8	16.6	19.1
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	24.3	23.2	32.9	25.8	28.3	27.4
	Black	25.2	35.5	45.5	35.6	44.0	46.0
	Mixed	26.4	25.3	38.1	26.8	37.9	29.2
	White	27.6	29.1	35.9	30.9	34.7	32.6
	Other	12.3	10.2	11.0	12.9	16.6	20.1

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	1,120	1,175	1,310	1,465	1,555	1,985
	Black	525	635	705	905	1,040	1,335
	Mixed	425	450	500	640	660	795
	White	10,480	10,805	10,740	12,370	12,435	14,320
	Other	80	100	100	120	160	200
Offers	Asian	855	955	1,085	1,175	1,210	1,435
	Black	360	430	535	665	735	885
	Mixed	320	355	425	530	525	610
	White	8,325	8,950	9,320	10,520	10,290	11,705
	Other	60	75	80	90	105	140
Offer rate	Asian	76.5%	81.4%	82.7%	80.4%	77.8%	72.4%
	Black	68.3%	67.5%	76.2%	73.2%	70.7%	66.2%
	Mixed	74.5%	78.8%	85.5%	82.8%	79.8%	77.1%
	White	79.5%	82.8%	86.7%	85.1%	82.8%	81.7%
	Other	75.6%	76.8%	78.4%	73.6%	65.8%	70.9%
Average offer rate	Asian	78.4%	82.8%	84.0%	82.2%	79.0%	75.0%
	Black	70.1%	71.6%	79.2%	76.0%	74.3%	70.8%
	Mixed	75.3%	78.2%	85.5%	83.1%	80.9%	78.2%
	White	79.1%	82.5%	86.4%	84.6%	82.2%	80.9%
	Other	79.6%	77.4%	83.5%	77.1%	71.7%	73.1%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-1.9	-1.3	-1.4	-1.8	-1.2	-2.7
	Black	-1.8	-4.1	-3.0	-2.8	-3.6	-4.6
	Mixed	-0.8	0.6	0.0	-0.3	-1.1	-1.1
	White	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.8
	Other	-4.0	-0.6	-5.1	-3.5	-5.9	-2.2
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.184	0.183	0.178	0.178	0.185	0.190
	Black	0.143	0.151	0.170	0.153	0.162	0.149
	Mixed	0.115	0.097	0.100	0.099	0.098	0.084
	White	0.847	0.840	0.825	0.817	0.805	0.791
	Other	0.057	0.115	0.067	0.064	0.072	0.073

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 2011-2016.
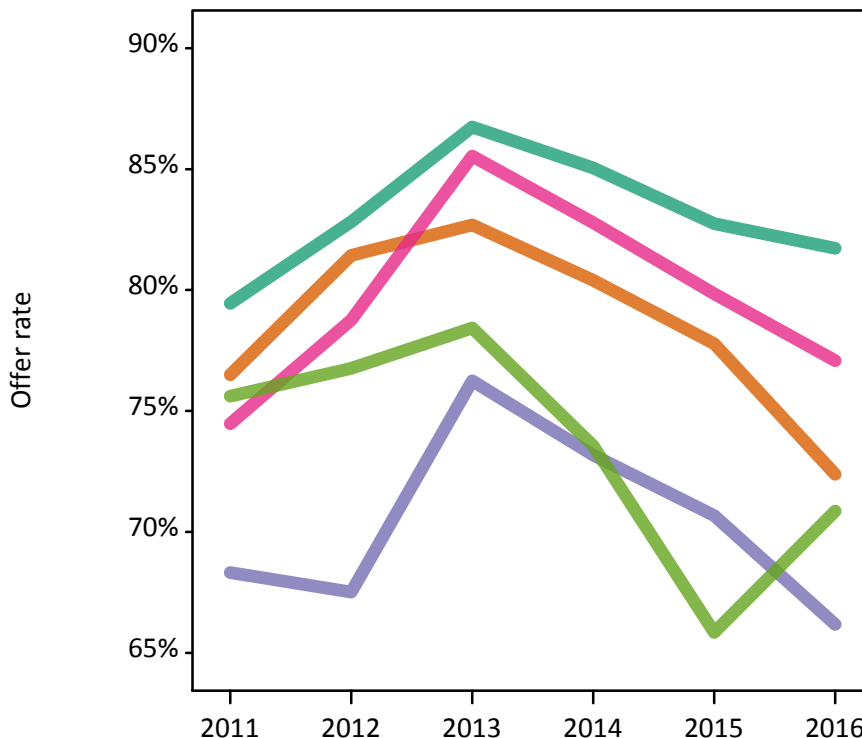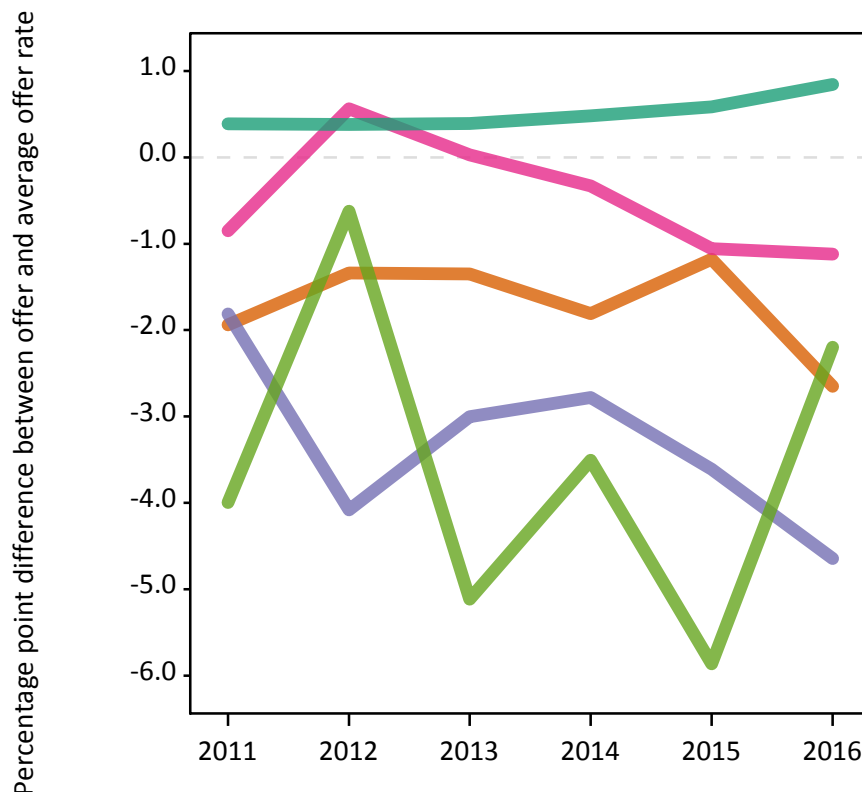

P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group

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	17,160	16,485	17,415	19,910	20,655	24,040
Placed June deadline applicants	2,890	2,810	3,575	2,920	3,415	3,275
All placed applicants	3,020	2,960	3,710	3,090	3,595	3,415

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	18,060	17,345	18,275	20,955	21,745	25,165
Offers	12,995	13,315	14,750	16,480	16,565	18,720
Offer rate	71.9%	76.8%	80.7%	78.7%	76.2%	74.4%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	10,920	10,345	11,080	12,505	12,675	15,145
	Women	6,240	6,140	6,335	7,405	7,980	8,895
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,690	1,730	2,215	1,760	2,010	1,935
	Women	1,200	1,080	1,360	1,160	1,410	1,335
All placed applicants	Men	1,770	1,820	2,290	1,860	2,105	2,030
	Women	1,250	1,135	1,420	1,230	1,490	1,385

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	11,590	10,975	11,690	13,240	13,385	15,900
	Women	6,470	6,370	6,580	7,715	8,360	9,265
Offers	Men	8,100	8,165	9,150	10,150	9,810	11,395
	Women	4,890	5,145	5,600	6,330	6,755	7,325
Offer rate	Men	69.9%	74.4%	78.3%	76.7%	73.3%	71.7%
	Women	75.6%	80.8%	85.1%	82.1%	80.8%	79.1%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,275	1,150	1,260	1,500	1,500	1,865
	Quintile 2	2,145	2,025	2,265	2,510	2,595	3,110
	Quintile 3	2,915	2,945	2,960	3,520	3,775	4,245
	Quintile 4	4,290	3,980	4,325	4,785	5,045	5,855
	Quintile 5	6,490	6,335	6,555	7,555	7,685	8,850
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	180	165	240	195	230	235
	Quintile 2	330	320	420	365	360	420
	Quintile 3	455	460	575	485	555	540
	Quintile 4	720	735	925	715	870	830
	Quintile 5	1,195	1,120	1,400	1,165	1,390	1,230
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	190	170	245	200	245	240
	Quintile 2	345	335	435	385	390	435
	Quintile 3	470	485	595	505	580	560
	Quintile 4	760	775	955	760	910	865
	Quintile 5	1,255	1,185	1,465	1,240	1,465	1,290

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,335	1,210	1,330	1,595	1,565	1,950
	Quintile 2	2,290	2,130	2,345	2,640	2,710	3,260
	Quintile 3	3,060	3,075	3,085	3,695	3,940	4,430
	Quintile 4	4,510	4,195	4,560	5,045	5,355	6,120
	Quintile 5	6,815	6,680	6,895	7,940	8,115	9,270
Offers	Quintile 1	790	820	945	1,120	1,075	1,330
	Quintile 2	1,510	1,500	1,785	1,980	1,850	2,250
	Quintile 3	2,080	2,260	2,415	2,795	2,880	3,165
	Quintile 4	3,265	3,265	3,720	3,985	4,180	4,570
	Quintile 5	5,315	5,440	5,845	6,570	6,540	7,315
Offer rate	Quintile 1	59.0%	67.6%	71.1%	70.2%	68.9%	68.0%
	Quintile 2	66.0%	70.4%	76.0%	75.1%	68.2%	68.9%
	Quintile 3	68.1%	73.5%	78.3%	75.7%	73.0%	71.4%
	Quintile 4	72.4%	77.8%	81.5%	79.0%	78.0%	74.7%
	Quintile 5	78.0%	81.4%	84.8%	82.8%	80.6%	78.9%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,745	1,710	1,935	2,180	2,320	2,935
	Black	990	1,000	1,135	1,395	1,660	2,010
	Mixed	645	630	675	855	940	1,130
	White	13,560	12,890	13,425	15,185	15,345	17,485
	Other	125	165	175	205	265	310
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	200	210	320	230	295	280
	Black	120	135	185	135	205	190
	Mixed	100	90	125	105	160	135
	White	2,440	2,350	2,905	2,420	2,710	2,630
	Other	15	15	15	15	30	25
All placed applicants	Asian	220	230	345	260	325	305
	Black	130	145	200	155	225	200
	Mixed	105	95	140	110	170	145
	White	2,540	2,470	2,990	2,535	2,830	2,715
	Other	15	15	15	20	30	25

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	1,810	1,775	1,995	2,255	2,390	3,000
	Black	1,025	1,030	1,160	1,435	1,700	2,065
	Mixed	675	655	695	900	975	1,160
	White	14,325	13,620	14,165	16,060	16,280	18,445
	Other	125	175	180	205	270	320
Offers	Asian	1,215	1,305	1,540	1,705	1,730	2,020
	Black	580	615	780	920	1,055	1,205
	Mixed	460	465	555	690	705	830
	White	10,595	10,750	11,690	12,970	12,825	14,335
	Other	80	115	130	135	165	205
Offer rate	Asian	67.1%	73.4%	77.3%	75.5%	72.4%	67.4%
	Black	56.5%	59.9%	67.0%	64.1%	62.0%	58.2%
	Mixed	68.1%	71.0%	79.8%	76.5%	72.4%	71.4%
	White	74.0%	78.9%	82.5%	80.8%	78.8%	77.7%
	Other	63.8%	65.3%	71.9%	65.2%	61.3%	64.8%

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.

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.