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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, 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	5,895	6,415	6,430	6,985	8,295	7,720
Placed June deadline applicants	995	835	1,040	1,220	1,335	1,250
All placed applicants	1,120	1,090	1,160	1,260	1,410	1,500
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	76.6	83.0	84.5	92.7	108.3	103.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	12.9	10.8	13.7	16.2	17.4	16.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	14.5	14.1	15.2	16.8	18.4	20.0

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	5,960	6,520	6,530	7,135	8,450	7,830
Offers	5,020	5,920	5,820	6,440	7,485	6,950
Offer rate	84.3%	90.8%	89.1%	90.2%	88.6%	88.8%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	2,310	2,540	2,345	2,665	3,245	2,955
	Women	3,585	3,875	4,085	4,320	5,050	4,770
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	385	310	350	420	495	435
	Women	605	520	690	795	840	810
All placed applicants	Men	445	420	400	435	525	545
	Women	675	670	760	825	890	955
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	58.7	64.1	60.1	68.9	82.7	76.9
	Women	95.2	102.8	110.3	118.0	135.2	130.5
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	9.8	7.8	8.9	10.9	12.6	11.4
	Women	16.1	13.8	18.6	21.7	22.5	22.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	11.3	10.6	10.2	11.3	13.3	14.2
	Women	17.9	17.7	20.5	22.6	23.8	26.1

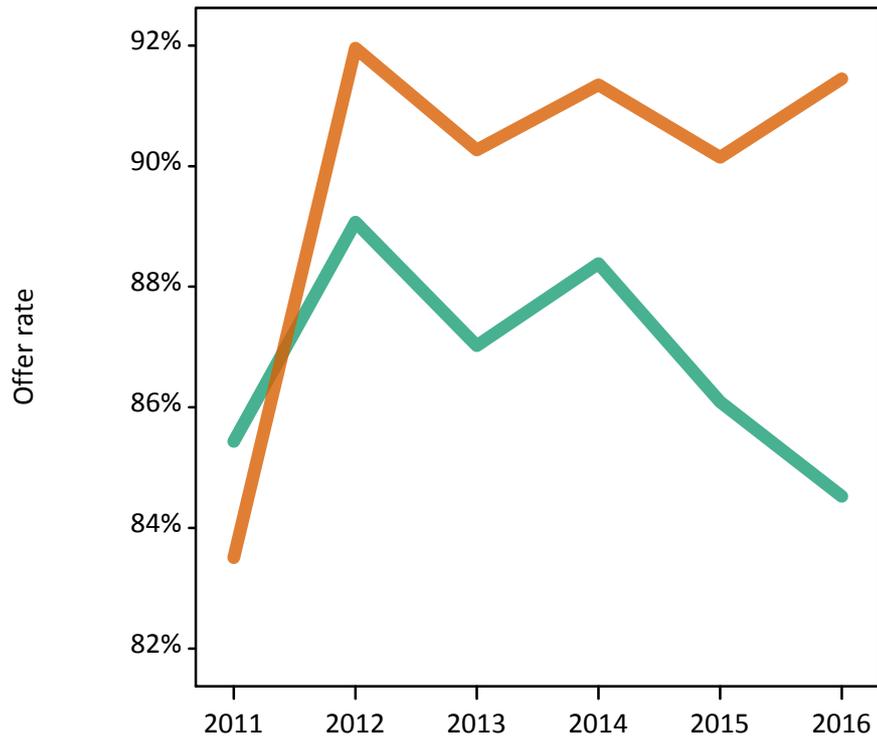
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	2,335	2,590	2,390	2,720	3,315	3,000
	Women	3,625	3,930	4,140	4,415	5,135	4,830
Offers	Men	1,995	2,305	2,080	2,405	2,855	2,535
	Women	3,030	3,610	3,740	4,035	4,630	4,415
Offer rate	Men	85.4%	89.1%	87.0%	88.4%	86.1%	84.5%
	Women	83.5%	92.0%	90.3%	91.3%	90.1%	91.4%
Average offer rate	Men	84.9%	90.0%	87.2%	88.4%	86.3%	85.1%
	Women	83.8%	91.3%	90.2%	91.4%	90.0%	91.1%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	0.5	-1.0	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.6
	Women	-0.3	0.6	0.1	-0.0	0.2	0.4
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.542	0.541	0.526	0.514	0.525	0.529
	Women	0.705	0.698	0.727	0.701	0.693	0.708

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.

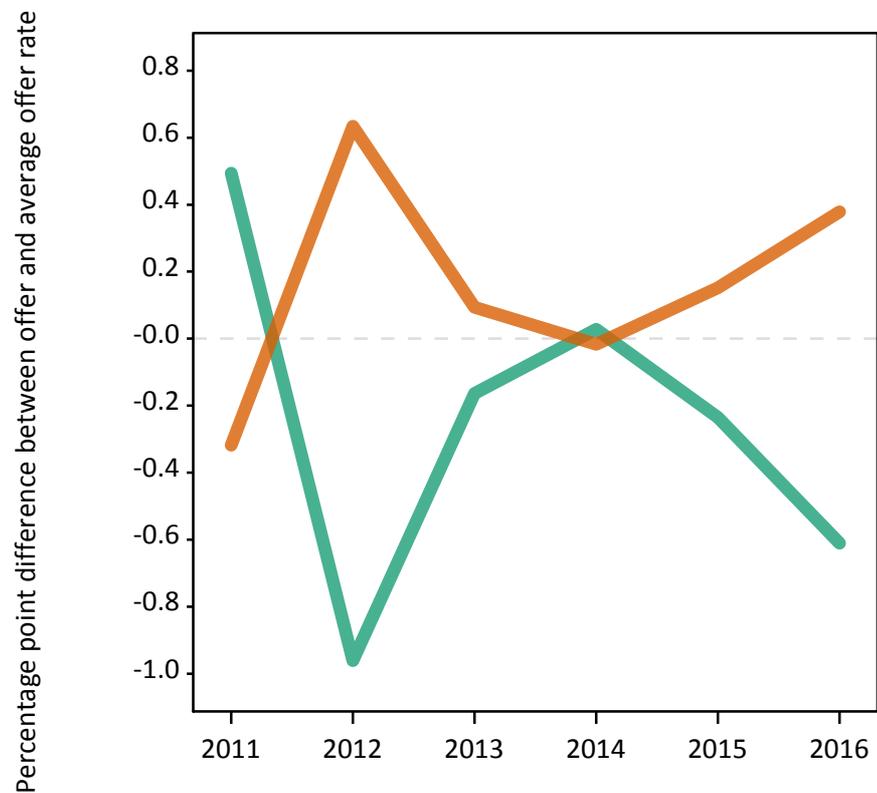
Men
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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	265	300	370	410	470	475
	Quintile 2	570	655	710	810	925	870
	Quintile 3	1,035	1,165	1,190	1,310	1,540	1,465
	Quintile 4	1,590	1,700	1,760	1,890	2,285	2,095
	Quintile 5	2,410	2,575	2,390	2,550	3,050	2,780
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	40	55	70	85	55	80
	Quintile 2	100	90	110	135	180	135
	Quintile 3	180	140	175	215	250	250
	Quintile 4	265	220	285	345	370	345
	Quintile 5	405	325	395	430	475	435
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	45	65	75	85	60	90
	Quintile 2	105	115	120	145	190	160
	Quintile 3	200	190	200	220	260	300
	Quintile 4	300	285	325	355	385	415
	Quintile 5	460	430	440	455	515	535
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	18.6	21.1	26.6	29.3	33.5	35.0
	Quintile 2	38.0	43.7	48.0	55.2	62.3	60.1
	Quintile 3	67.2	75.6	78.0	87.0	100.4	97.5
	Quintile 4	101.6	107.1	112.5	122.6	145.8	135.8
	Quintile 5	145.7	153.2	144.5	156.5	182.2	168.1
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	2.8	3.7	5.2	6.2	4.0	5.9
	Quintile 2	6.5	6.0	7.5	9.3	12.2	9.3
	Quintile 3	11.7	9.1	11.6	14.2	16.3	16.8
	Quintile 4	16.9	14.0	18.2	22.4	23.6	22.3
	Quintile 5	24.3	19.3	23.8	26.5	28.4	26.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	3.1	4.5	5.2	6.3	4.1	6.6
	Quintile 2	7.1	7.6	8.1	9.8	12.8	11.0
	Quintile 3	12.9	12.4	13.2	14.5	16.8	19.8
	Quintile 4	19.0	17.9	20.8	23.0	24.7	26.8
	Quintile 5	27.9	25.7	26.6	27.8	30.8	32.4

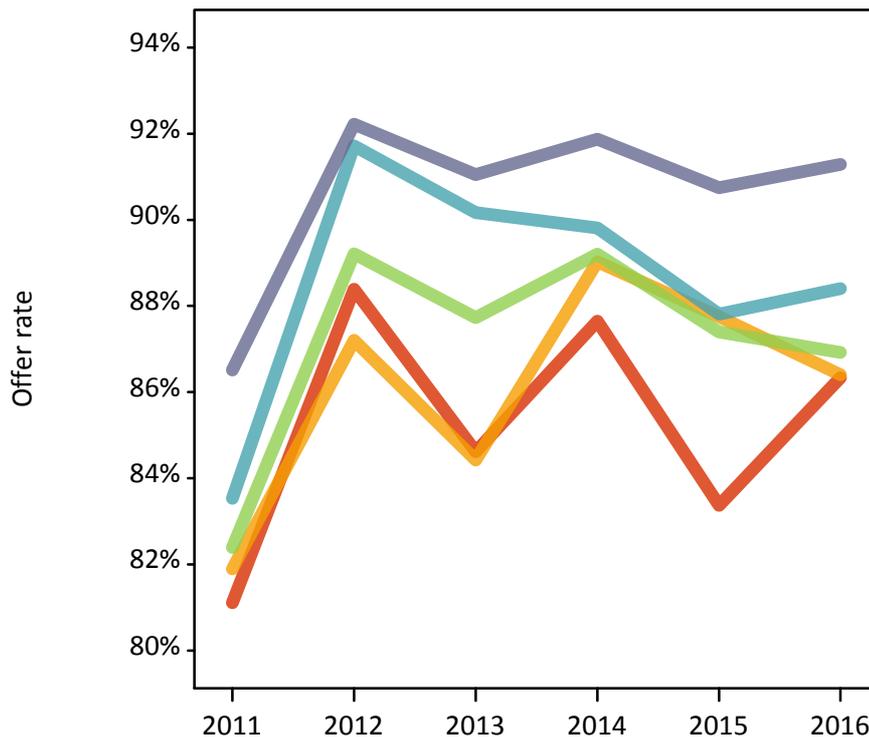
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	270	310	375	420	480	485
	Quintile 2	580	665	720	820	940	890
	Quintile 3	1,045	1,185	1,205	1,335	1,570	1,485
	Quintile 4	1,605	1,725	1,790	1,935	2,320	2,120
	Quintile 5	2,440	2,610	2,425	2,610	3,110	2,810
Offers	Quintile 1	220	275	320	370	400	415
	Quintile 2	475	580	605	730	825	770
	Quintile 3	860	1,060	1,060	1,190	1,375	1,290
	Quintile 4	1,340	1,585	1,615	1,735	2,040	1,875
	Quintile 5	2,110	2,405	2,210	2,395	2,825	2,565
Offer rate	Quintile 1	81.1%	88.4%	84.6%	87.6%	83.4%	86.3%
	Quintile 2	81.9%	87.2%	84.4%	89.0%	87.8%	86.4%
	Quintile 3	82.4%	89.2%	87.7%	89.2%	87.4%	86.9%
	Quintile 4	83.5%	91.7%	90.2%	89.8%	87.8%	88.4%
	Quintile 5	86.5%	92.2%	91.1%	91.9%	90.7%	91.3%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	83.3%	88.4%	85.7%	88.6%	84.6%	85.2%
	Quintile 2	83.0%	89.2%	86.3%	89.5%	88.0%	86.2%
	Quintile 3	82.4%	89.7%	88.2%	89.3%	86.9%	87.7%
	Quintile 4	84.1%	91.1%	89.6%	89.5%	88.3%	88.6%
	Quintile 5	85.6%	91.9%	90.5%	91.8%	90.4%	91.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-2.2	-0.0	-1.1	-0.9	-1.3	1.2
	Quintile 2	-1.1	-2.0	-1.9	-0.4	-0.2	0.2
	Quintile 3	0.0	-0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.5	-0.8
	Quintile 4	-0.6	0.7	0.6	0.3	-0.4	-0.2
	Quintile 5	0.9	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.151	0.141	0.149	0.144	0.149	0.166
	Quintile 2	0.194	0.201	0.196	0.189	0.188	0.213
	Quintile 3	0.263	0.263	0.260	0.265	0.253	0.262
	Quintile 4	0.340	0.335	0.338	0.345	0.331	0.338
	Quintile 5	0.474	0.454	0.434	0.428	0.426	0.422

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.

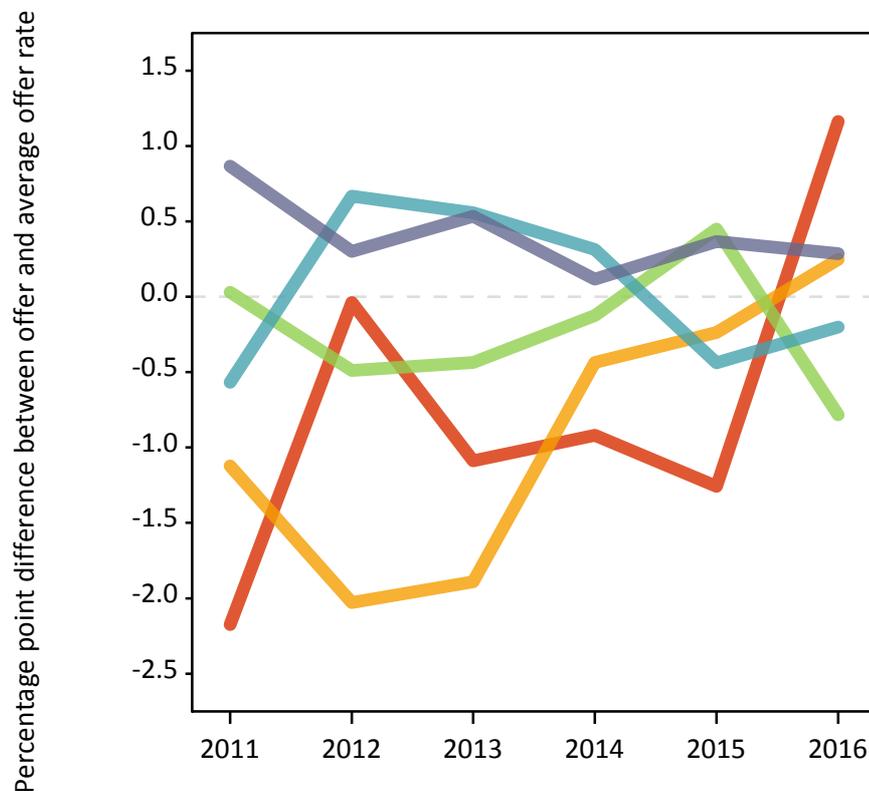
- Quintile 1
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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.

- Quintile 1
- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	955	1,040	980	995	1,365	1,385
	Black	265	310	315	320	410	395
	Mixed	300	325	335	390	510	465
	White	4,210	4,535	4,610	5,065	5,680	5,180
	Other	110	155	150	160	250	220
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	160	85	135	140	170	185
	Black	30	30	35	55	40	40
	Mixed	50	45	40	65	75	70
	White	720	650	805	930	1,000	910
	Other	20	20	25	25	35	25
All placed applicants	Asian	180	130	175	150	190	275
	Black	30	50	40	55	45	50
	Mixed	60	60	50	65	80	85
	White	805	820	860	955	1,045	1,030
	Other	25	25	30	25	35	40
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	151.5	160.4	148.3	146.7	192.9	192.3
	Black	96.6	110.4	105.4	105.9	129.1	126.9
	Mixed	123.9	124.0	124.6	135.2	165.1	147.8
	White	65.0	70.3	73.2	82.1	91.2	85.6
	Other	133.3	174.0	167.6	174.1	258.3	221.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	25.4	13.3	20.2	20.8	23.9	25.6
	Black	10.2	11.0	11.1	17.5	12.6	12.1
	Mixed	20.6	16.5	14.8	22.6	25.0	22.3
	White	11.1	10.0	12.8	15.0	16.0	15.1
	Other	27.2	21.5	27.6	27.9	34.2	27.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	28.2	19.9	26.5	22.4	27.0	38.2
	Black	10.6	18.1	13.8	18.1	13.5	15.3
	Mixed	25.6	22.3	17.8	23.3	26.3	27.0
	White	12.5	12.7	13.7	15.5	16.8	17.0
	Other	33.3	28.3	30.9	27.9	36.3	38.3

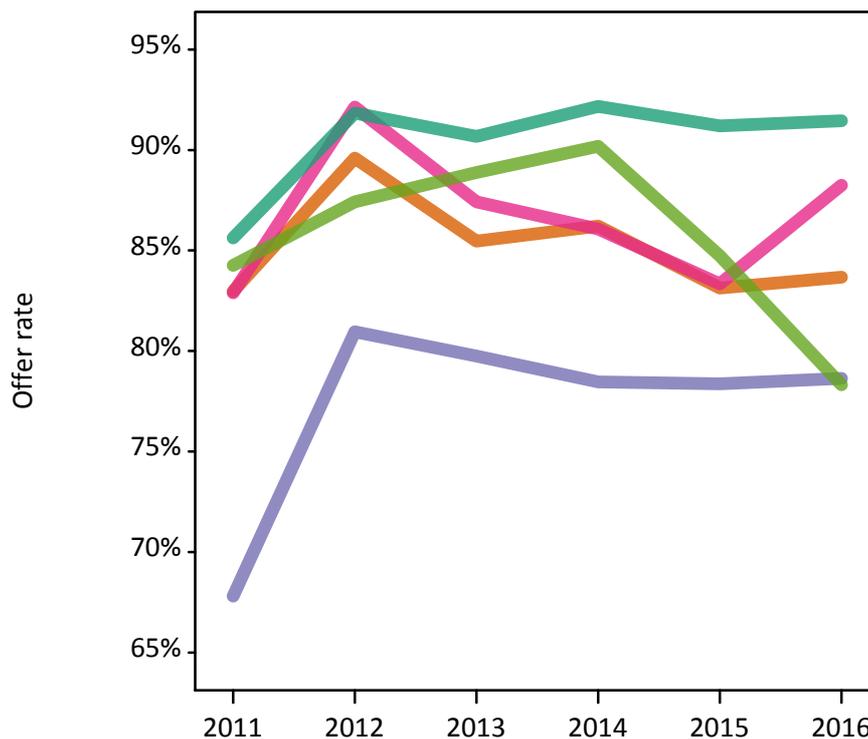
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	965	1,050	990	1,010	1,375	1,395
	Black	265	315	315	325	415	400
	Mixed	305	330	340	400	515	470
	White	4,260	4,610	4,685	5,185	5,810	5,265
	Other	110	160	155	165	250	225
Offers	Asian	800	940	845	870	1,145	1,170
	Black	180	255	250	255	325	315
	Mixed	250	305	300	345	430	415
	White	3,645	4,235	4,250	4,780	5,295	4,815
	Other	90	140	135	145	210	175
Offer rate	Asian	83.0%	89.6%	85.5%	86.2%	83.1%	83.7%
	Black	67.8%	81.0%	79.7%	78.5%	78.4%	78.6%
	Mixed	82.9%	92.1%	87.4%	86.1%	83.3%	88.2%
	White	85.6%	91.8%	90.7%	92.2%	91.2%	91.5%
	Other	84.3%	87.4%	88.9%	90.2%	84.7%	78.3%
Average offer rate	Asian	84.3%	90.1%	85.6%	87.1%	83.2%	84.5%
	Black	70.6%	82.9%	80.7%	82.8%	79.5%	82.0%
	Mixed	83.8%	91.5%	88.6%	87.0%	85.2%	88.5%
	White	85.2%	91.6%	90.5%	91.7%	90.9%	90.8%
	Other	81.1%	87.3%	87.6%	88.3%	85.2%	82.4%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-1.3	-0.5	-0.2	-0.9	-0.1	-0.8
	Black	-2.8	-2.0	-1.0	-4.4	-1.1	-3.3
	Mixed	-0.9	0.6	-1.2	-1.0	-1.8	-0.3
	White	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.6
	Other	3.2	0.2	1.3	1.9	-0.4	-4.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.363	0.347	0.335	0.314	0.310	0.331
	Black	0.217	0.170	0.181	0.206	0.172	0.163
	Mixed	0.156	0.135	0.125	0.152	0.160	0.161
	White	0.791	0.775	0.776	0.788	0.752	0.742
	Other	0.140	0.142	0.144	0.139	0.122	0.138

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.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



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.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	9,530	9,255	9,575	10,545	12,205	11,500
Placed June deadline applicants	1,580	1,270	1,455	1,730	1,840	1,780
All placed applicants	1,780	1,650	1,675	1,840	1,970	2,170

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	9,750	9,430	9,795	10,830	12,465	11,695
Offers	7,235	7,770	7,745	8,955	10,235	9,675
Offer rate	74.2%	82.4%	79.1%	82.7%	82.1%	82.7%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	3,975	3,925	3,820	4,325	5,125	4,760
	Women	5,555	5,330	5,750	6,220	7,080	6,735
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	670	515	550	660	730	670
	Women	910	760	910	1,075	1,110	1,110
All placed applicants	Men	765	690	655	705	780	850
	Women	1,010	960	1,020	1,130	1,190	1,320

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	4,070	4,005	3,915	4,445	5,235	4,855
	Women	5,680	5,425	5,880	6,380	7,230	6,840
Offers	Men	3,045	3,230	3,005	3,585	4,120	3,805
	Women	4,190	4,535	4,740	5,370	6,115	5,870
Offer rate	Men	74.8%	80.7%	76.8%	80.7%	78.7%	78.3%
	Women	73.8%	83.6%	80.6%	84.1%	84.6%	85.8%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	495	485	580	620	705	710
	Quintile 2	960	920	1,055	1,225	1,320	1,235
	Quintile 3	1,775	1,765	1,805	2,050	2,320	2,240
	Quintile 4	2,515	2,440	2,565	2,795	3,370	3,125
	Quintile 5	3,750	3,615	3,535	3,825	4,445	4,125
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	75	85	105	125	95	115
	Quintile 2	155	130	155	195	235	185
	Quintile 3	285	225	260	315	335	355
	Quintile 4	405	345	395	485	515	500
	Quintile 5	650	485	545	610	650	610
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	80	100	110	125	100	130
	Quintile 2	170	160	170	205	245	220
	Quintile 3	315	300	305	325	355	425
	Quintile 4	455	435	455	510	550	625
	Quintile 5	740	640	630	665	715	765

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	505	500	600	635	730	725
	Quintile 2	980	940	1,075	1,250	1,345	1,265
	Quintile 3	1,830	1,790	1,840	2,095	2,380	2,275
	Quintile 4	2,555	2,485	2,625	2,875	3,430	3,170
	Quintile 5	3,835	3,680	3,620	3,935	4,540	4,190
Offers	Quintile 1	345	395	440	515	560	585
	Quintile 2	690	730	815	995	1,090	1,010
	Quintile 3	1,300	1,435	1,420	1,680	1,900	1,810
	Quintile 4	1,880	2,065	2,110	2,365	2,790	2,645
	Quintile 5	2,990	3,115	2,940	3,370	3,860	3,570
Offer rate	Quintile 1	67.8%	79.3%	73.2%	80.5%	77.1%	80.6%
	Quintile 2	70.4%	77.5%	75.8%	79.8%	81.0%	79.9%
	Quintile 3	71.0%	80.2%	77.2%	80.1%	79.8%	79.7%
	Quintile 4	73.6%	83.2%	80.4%	82.4%	81.4%	83.4%
	Quintile 5	78.0%	84.7%	81.2%	85.7%	85.1%	85.2%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,685	1,675	1,590	1,740	2,250	2,230
	Black	750	695	710	780	860	865
	Mixed	500	475	510	595	760	705
	White	6,255	6,020	6,395	7,025	7,785	7,150
	Other	225	290	280	305	400	395
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	280	190	200	250	245	280
	Black	95	75	60	90	80	80
	Mixed	85	65	65	90	105	100
	White	1,050	890	1,080	1,245	1,335	1,245
	Other	50	40	45	50	50	45
All placed applicants	Asian	310	275	275	280	285	420
	Black	100	100	80	95	90	105
	Mixed	105	90	75	100	115	125
	White	1,180	1,105	1,175	1,300	1,405	1,410
	Other	55	60	50	50	55	65

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	1,715	1,690	1,620	1,775	2,280	2,265
	Black	760	700	715	795	870	875
	Mixed	510	490	520	610	770	710
	White	6,410	6,145	6,560	7,235	7,985	7,290
	Other	230	300	290	310	400	405
Offers	Asian	1,305	1,380	1,250	1,430	1,750	1,790
	Black	370	425	420	470	540	570
	Mixed	365	410	405	490	595	580
	White	4,950	5,245	5,395	6,255	6,925	6,325
	Other	160	230	215	240	305	295
Offer rate	Asian	76.0%	81.7%	77.0%	80.4%	76.8%	79.1%
	Black	48.4%	60.8%	58.9%	59.2%	61.7%	64.9%
	Mixed	71.8%	83.1%	77.4%	80.3%	77.3%	81.7%
	White	77.2%	85.4%	82.2%	86.5%	86.7%	86.8%
	Other	69.7%	77.2%	75.3%	77.7%	76.1%	73.2%

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.