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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	5,870	6,100	6,015	5,465	6,015	5,965
Placed June deadline applicants	1,080	1,065	1,050	925	1,210	1,135
All placed applicants	1,255	1,220	1,155	1,060	1,330	1,295
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	76.2	78.8	79.1	72.6	78.5	79.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	14.0	13.8	13.8	12.3	15.8	15.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	16.3	15.8	15.2	14.1	17.3	17.3

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	6,275	6,500	6,420	5,860	6,525	6,430
Offers	4,235	4,350	4,545	3,905	4,760	4,635
Offer rate	67.4%	67.0%	70.8%	66.7%	73.0%	72.1%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	2,405	2,400	2,340	2,265	2,335	2,255
	Women	3,465	3,700	3,675	3,200	3,685	3,710
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	445	450	455	445	515	460
	Women	635	610	595	475	690	675
All placed applicants	Men	500	510	500	495	560	505
	Women	755	710	655	570	770	790
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	61.1	60.5	60.0	58.5	59.5	58.7
	Women	92.0	98.2	99.2	87.4	98.6	101.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	11.3	11.4	11.6	11.5	13.1	12.0
	Women	16.9	16.2	16.1	13.0	18.5	18.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	12.7	12.8	12.8	12.8	14.2	13.2
	Women	20.0	18.8	17.7	15.5	20.6	21.6

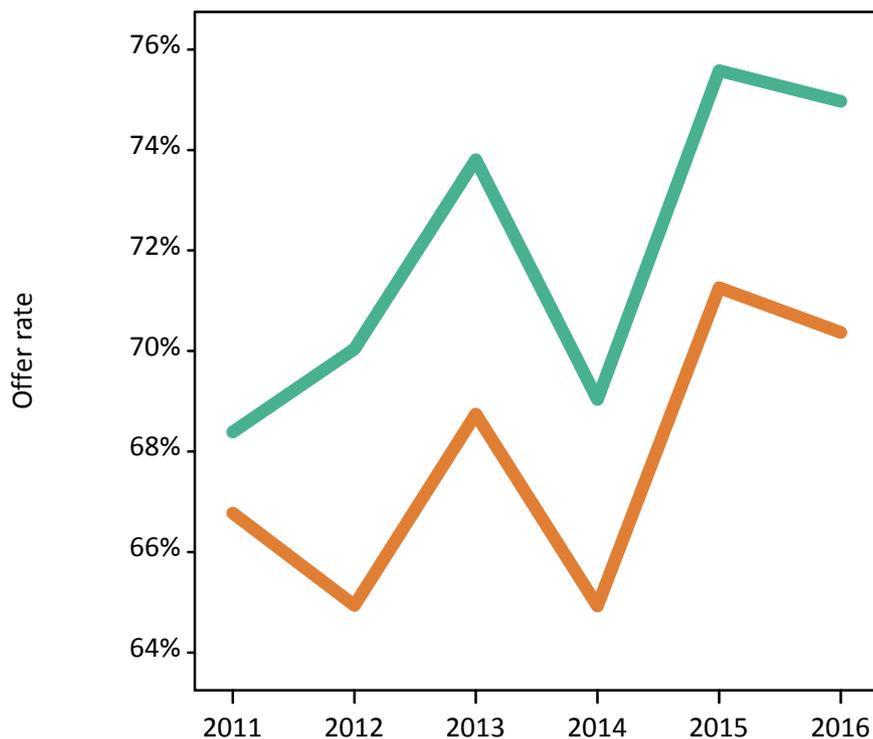
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	2,610	2,580	2,575	2,495	2,615	2,470
	Women	3,665	3,920	3,850	3,365	3,905	3,960
Offers	Men	1,785	1,805	1,900	1,720	1,980	1,850
	Women	2,450	2,545	2,645	2,185	2,785	2,785
Offer rate	Men	68.4%	70.0%	73.8%	69.0%	75.6%	75.0%
	Women	66.8%	64.9%	68.7%	64.9%	71.3%	70.4%
Average offer rate	Men	70.5%	71.2%	74.8%	70.6%	77.2%	75.7%
	Women	65.3%	64.2%	68.1%	63.8%	70.2%	69.9%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-2.1	-1.1	-1.0	-1.6	-1.6	-0.7
	Women	1.5	0.8	0.7	1.2	1.1	0.4
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.606	0.602	0.619	0.639	0.614	0.600
	Women	0.719	0.738	0.745	0.733	0.741	0.750

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.

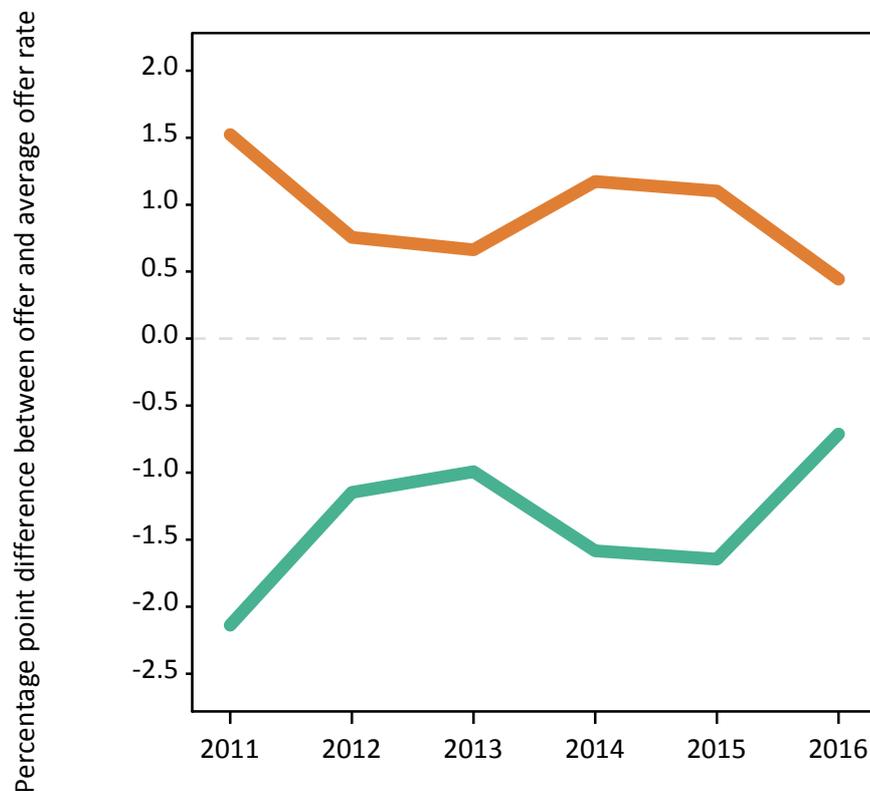
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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	795	830	890	845	1,015	980
	Quintile 2	1,085	1,145	1,185	1,095	1,240	1,260
	Quintile 3	1,315	1,395	1,335	1,265	1,320	1,310
	Quintile 4	1,340	1,355	1,275	1,145	1,245	1,195
	Quintile 5	1,330	1,370	1,325	1,110	1,180	1,200
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	155	160	160	165	210	200
	Quintile 2	195	190	190	165	225	240
	Quintile 3	260	255	250	230	280	255
	Quintile 4	240	215	210	190	230	215
	Quintile 5	235	245	235	175	260	220
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	180	185	175	185	240	230
	Quintile 2	230	215	210	195	240	265
	Quintile 3	290	290	270	265	300	300
	Quintile 4	280	250	245	225	260	250
	Quintile 5	270	275	250	190	285	250
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	55.3	58.1	64.0	60.9	72.4	72.5
	Quintile 2	72.0	76.3	80.5	74.8	83.3	87.0
	Quintile 3	85.4	90.3	87.5	84.1	86.1	87.1
	Quintile 4	85.6	85.5	81.4	74.2	79.7	77.5
	Quintile 5	80.5	81.5	80.2	67.9	70.4	72.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	10.6	11.1	11.6	11.7	15.1	14.9
	Quintile 2	13.0	12.8	12.9	11.2	15.1	16.5
	Quintile 3	16.8	16.5	16.4	15.3	18.2	17.0
	Quintile 4	15.3	13.5	13.6	12.3	14.7	13.9
	Quintile 5	14.1	14.5	14.2	10.8	15.5	13.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	12.5	13.1	12.7	13.2	17.3	17.0
	Quintile 2	15.2	14.3	14.3	13.3	16.2	18.3
	Quintile 3	19.0	18.8	17.8	17.7	19.4	20.0
	Quintile 4	18.0	15.7	15.7	14.5	16.6	16.1
	Quintile 5	16.4	16.5	15.1	11.8	17.1	15.1

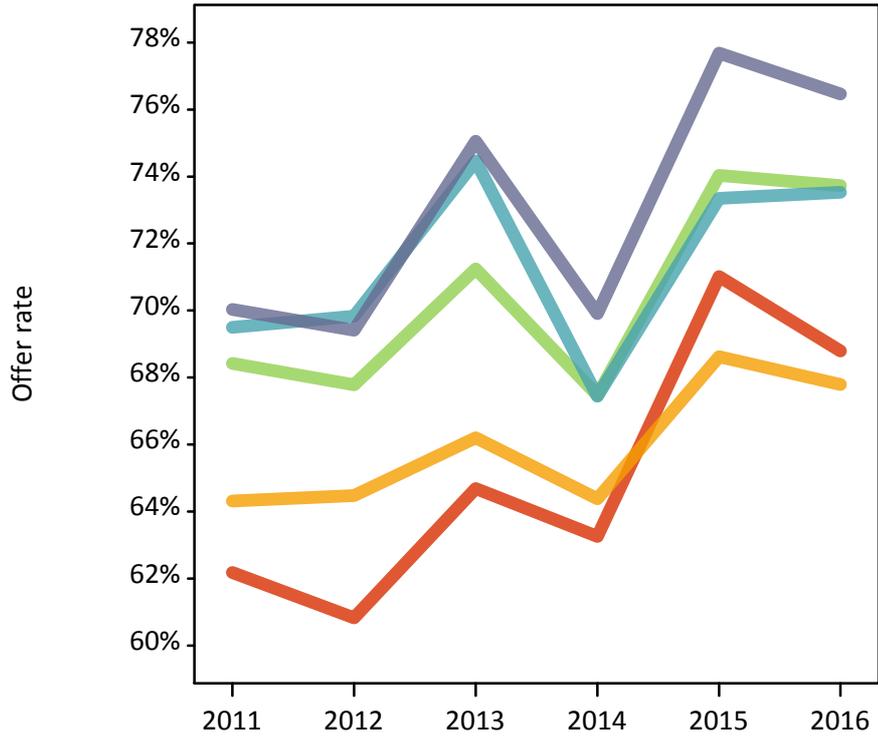
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	855	920	960	920	1,130	1,050
	Quintile 2	1,175	1,215	1,280	1,180	1,330	1,355
	Quintile 3	1,410	1,490	1,430	1,370	1,450	1,410
	Quintile 4	1,425	1,420	1,345	1,210	1,330	1,290
	Quintile 5	1,410	1,445	1,405	1,175	1,270	1,295
Offers	Quintile 1	530	560	620	580	800	725
	Quintile 2	755	785	845	760	915	920
	Quintile 3	965	1,010	1,020	925	1,070	1,040
	Quintile 4	990	995	1,005	815	975	945
	Quintile 5	985	1,005	1,055	820	985	990
Offer rate	Quintile 1	62.2%	60.8%	64.7%	63.3%	71.0%	68.8%
	Quintile 2	64.3%	64.5%	66.2%	64.4%	68.6%	67.8%
	Quintile 3	68.4%	67.8%	71.2%	67.5%	74.0%	73.7%
	Quintile 4	69.5%	69.8%	74.5%	67.4%	73.3%	73.5%
	Quintile 5	70.0%	69.4%	75.1%	69.9%	77.7%	76.5%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	63.8%	64.9%	66.5%	65.3%	71.5%	72.0%
	Quintile 2	65.3%	63.6%	67.1%	65.6%	69.9%	68.4%
	Quintile 3	68.3%	67.2%	70.7%	66.6%	73.6%	72.3%
	Quintile 4	68.8%	68.7%	73.8%	67.1%	74.0%	73.3%
	Quintile 5	68.9%	69.3%	74.1%	68.4%	75.8%	75.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-1.6	-4.1	-1.8	-2.0	-0.5	-3.2
	Quintile 2	-1.0	0.9	-0.9	-1.2	-1.2	-0.6
	Quintile 3	0.1	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.4	1.5
	Quintile 4	0.7	1.2	0.7	0.3	-0.6	0.2
	Quintile 5	1.1	0.1	0.9	1.5	1.9	1.4
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.229	0.243	0.246	0.253	0.256	0.262
	Quintile 2	0.273	0.270	0.283	0.291	0.292	0.295
	Quintile 3	0.300	0.299	0.303	0.310	0.302	0.305
	Quintile 4	0.310	0.298	0.302	0.297	0.298	0.301
	Quintile 5	0.309	0.312	0.315	0.309	0.299	0.306

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.

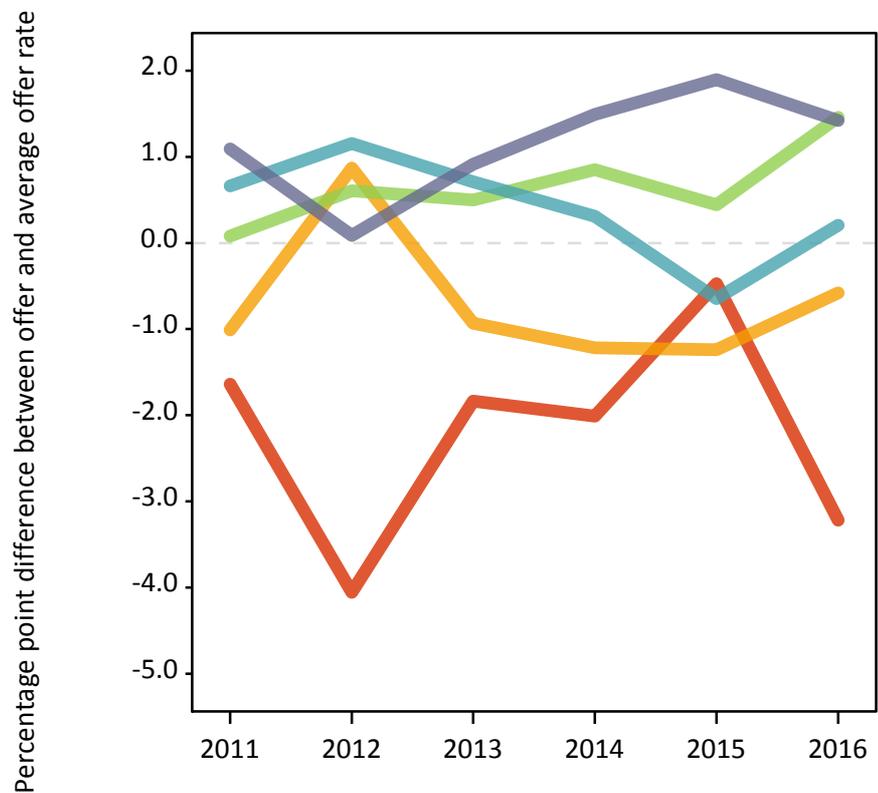
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- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



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	270	335	345	365	405	415
	Black	130	175	200	185	255	205
	Mixed	165	195	200	175	225	225
	White	5,280	5,360	5,230	4,710	5,085	5,090
	Other	15	25	30	25	30	20
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	35	25	30	30	40	40
	Black	15	25	20	20	40	20
	Mixed	30	30	35	35	45	30
	White	995	980	960	835	1,085	1,040
	Other	0	5	0	0	0	0
All placed applicants	Asian	40	35	35	40	40	50
	Black	20	30	25	25	45	30
	Mixed	40	30	40	40	50	40
	White	1,145	1,115	1,055	955	1,190	1,170
	Other	5	5	0	0	5	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	42.5	51.9	52.3	53.5	56.9	57.4
	Black	47.2	61.4	66.7	60.4	80.7	66.2
	Mixed	67.3	74.5	74.7	61.2	72.6	71.5
	White	81.6	83.0	83.1	76.4	81.6	84.2
	Other	21.0	27.1	32.0	26.9	31.1	22.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	5.6	4.2	4.2	4.4	5.5	5.3
	Black	5.1	8.9	6.7	7.3	12.6	7.0
	Mixed	13.2	10.7	12.6	12.5	13.9	10.2
	White	15.3	15.1	15.3	13.5	17.4	17.2
	Other	0.0	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	6.5	5.4	5.3	5.8	5.8	6.7
	Black	6.6	11.0	8.4	8.9	13.5	10.2
	Mixed	16.5	11.9	14.1	13.6	15.6	13.4
	White	17.7	17.3	16.7	15.5	19.1	19.3
	Other	3.7	3.4	0.0	0.0	3.1	4.0

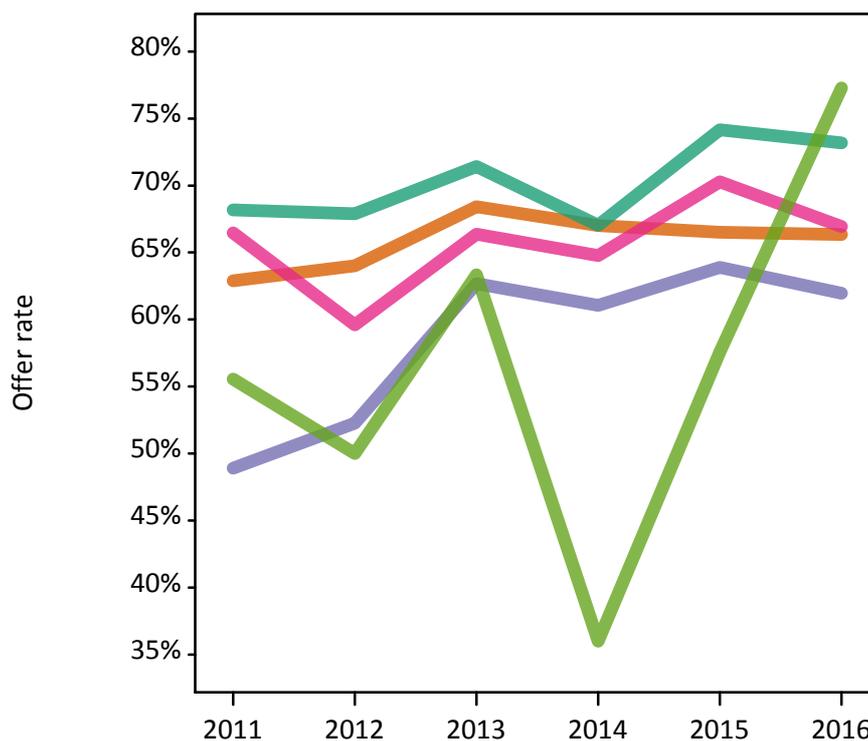
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	285	355	360	375	420	420
	Black	135	175	210	190	275	215
	Mixed	170	210	215	195	250	235
	White	5,655	5,730	5,595	5,070	5,530	5,530
	Other	20	25	30	25	35	20
Offers	Asian	180	225	245	250	280	280
	Black	65	90	130	115	175	130
	Mixed	115	125	145	125	175	155
	White	3,855	3,890	3,995	3,400	4,100	4,050
	Other	10	10	20	10	20	15
Offer rate	Asian	62.9%	64.0%	68.4%	67.0%	66.5%	66.3%
	Black	48.9%	52.3%	62.7%	61.1%	63.9%	62.0%
	Mixed	66.5%	59.6%	66.4%	64.8%	70.3%	67.0%
	White	68.2%	67.9%	71.4%	67.0%	74.2%	73.2%
	Other	55.6%	50.0%	63.3%	36.0%	57.6%	77.3%
Average offer rate	Asian	66.4%	67.8%	70.2%	68.3%	70.1%	66.6%
	Black	60.5%	63.4%	63.9%	65.0%	69.5%	66.9%
	Mixed	66.1%	65.2%	67.8%	67.6%	71.3%	71.3%
	White	67.7%	67.0%	71.2%	66.6%	73.5%	72.8%
	Other	66.1%	69.3%	69.7%	52.9%	61.5%	84.1%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-3.5	-3.7	-1.8	-1.3	-3.6	-0.3
	Black	-11.6	-11.1	-1.3	-3.9	-5.6	-4.9
	Mixed	0.4	-5.6	-1.5	-2.9	-1.0	-4.3
	White	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.4
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.185	0.174	0.191	0.203	0.185	0.186
	Black	0.160	0.137	0.164	0.132	0.155	0.123
	Mixed	0.134	0.132	0.115	0.158	0.135	0.123
	White	0.915	0.897	0.890	0.883	0.867	0.878
	Other	0.076	0.110	0.113	0.072	0.105	0.161

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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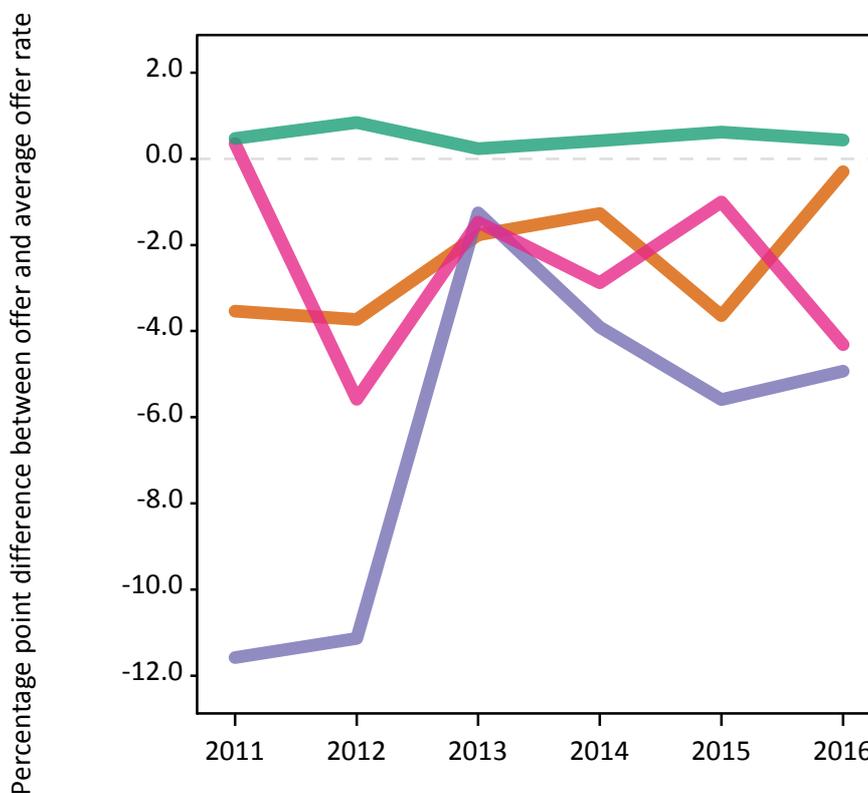
- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



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	11,295	11,300	11,960	11,470	12,125	11,760
Placed June deadline applicants	2,215	2,060	2,320	2,120	2,600	2,455
All placed applicants	2,755	2,565	2,835	2,685	3,075	3,130

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	12,250	12,160	12,890	12,395	13,185	12,700
Offers	6,830	6,685	7,600	6,760	8,045	7,640
Offer rate	55.7%	55.0%	58.9%	54.5%	61.0%	60.2%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	4,445	4,285	4,350	4,275	4,300	4,150
	Women	6,850	7,015	7,610	7,195	7,825	7,610
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	830	790	865	835	915	880
	Women	1,385	1,270	1,460	1,285	1,685	1,580
All placed applicants	Men	990	940	1,050	1,005	1,050	1,035
	Women	1,765	1,625	1,790	1,680	2,025	2,095

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	4,845	4,655	4,820	4,695	4,800	4,545
	Women	7,405	7,505	8,070	7,700	8,390	8,155
Offers	Men	2,820	2,770	3,115	2,825	3,215	3,040
	Women	4,010	3,915	4,485	3,935	4,835	4,600
Offer rate	Men	58.2%	59.5%	64.6%	60.2%	67.0%	66.9%
	Women	54.1%	52.2%	55.6%	51.1%	57.6%	56.4%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,730	1,770	1,930	1,980	2,150	2,040
	Quintile 2	2,230	2,295	2,490	2,425	2,600	2,530
	Quintile 3	2,475	2,555	2,690	2,650	2,725	2,615
	Quintile 4	2,460	2,330	2,430	2,235	2,325	2,265
	Quintile 5	2,385	2,340	2,405	2,160	2,290	2,250
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	320	320	385	370	445	435
	Quintile 2	445	395	430	400	475	490
	Quintile 3	515	490	555	505	585	560
	Quintile 4	490	420	495	445	530	485
	Quintile 5	440	425	455	395	550	475
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	395	405	465	465	530	550
	Quintile 2	570	510	550	530	585	625
	Quintile 3	625	595	665	630	690	715
	Quintile 4	605	525	615	580	620	635
	Quintile 5	550	520	540	475	635	585

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,880	1,950	2,105	2,150	2,360	2,205
	Quintile 2	2,450	2,460	2,675	2,600	2,795	2,720
	Quintile 3	2,675	2,760	2,895	2,870	2,965	2,830
	Quintile 4	2,670	2,480	2,630	2,425	2,520	2,455
	Quintile 5	2,560	2,495	2,570	2,330	2,500	2,420
Offers	Quintile 1	950	935	1,130	1,090	1,360	1,280
	Quintile 2	1,285	1,280	1,430	1,335	1,600	1,510
	Quintile 3	1,525	1,515	1,720	1,600	1,800	1,710
	Quintile 4	1,545	1,460	1,655	1,375	1,600	1,535
	Quintile 5	1,510	1,490	1,660	1,340	1,660	1,565
Offer rate	Quintile 1	50.4%	48.0%	53.6%	50.7%	57.7%	58.1%
	Quintile 2	52.6%	52.0%	53.4%	51.4%	57.3%	55.6%
	Quintile 3	57.1%	54.8%	59.4%	55.8%	60.6%	60.4%
	Quintile 4	57.9%	58.8%	62.9%	56.8%	63.6%	62.6%
	Quintile 5	58.9%	59.7%	64.5%	57.5%	66.3%	64.8%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	620	715	790	800	900	845
	Black	595	655	740	755	910	795
	Mixed	325	395	410	425	505	490
	White	9,665	9,435	9,895	9,375	9,665	9,510
	Other	40	65	70	75	90	70
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	75	65	65	65	85	80
	Black	50	65	70	75	115	80
	Mixed	65	60	65	60	85	90
	White	2,010	1,850	2,100	1,910	2,300	2,190
	Other	5	5	10	5	10	10
All placed applicants	Asian	100	95	90	90	105	125
	Black	70	90	110	105	150	115
	Mixed	80	75	75	75	100	115
	White	2,470	2,280	2,530	2,390	2,695	2,740
	Other	10	10	15	5	15	15

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	655	760	830	830	940	870
	Black	625	675	775	785	955	815
	Mixed	350	420	450	470	560	515
	White	10,530	10,200	10,715	10,190	10,580	10,380
	Other	45	65	75	75	95	70
Offers	Asian	330	385	450	450	540	485
	Black	160	195	300	280	380	295
	Mixed	190	225	245	215	310	280
	White	6,105	5,835	6,545	5,770	6,740	6,520
	Other	20	25	40	25	40	35
Offer rate	Asian	50.2%	50.7%	54.1%	53.9%	57.6%	55.9%
	Black	25.3%	28.5%	38.4%	35.5%	39.9%	36.3%
	Mixed	53.6%	52.8%	54.5%	46.2%	55.5%	54.1%
	White	58.0%	57.2%	61.1%	56.6%	63.7%	62.8%
	Other	48.9%	39.4%	56.2%	32.5%	42.3%	48.5%

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.

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.