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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	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	2,400	2,180	2,285	2,300	2,815	2,575
Placed June deadline applicants	530	550	455	520	605	500
All placed applicants	575	610	535	595	695	580
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	31.1	28.6	30.3	30.0	37.5	34.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	6.9	7.2	6.0	6.8	8.1	6.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	7.5	8.0	7.1	7.8	9.3	7.8

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	2,630	2,370	2,495	2,505	3,080	2,775
Offers	1,500	1,690	1,670	1,665	2,160	1,990
Offer rate	57.0%	71.4%	67.0%	66.5%	70.1%	71.7%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	645	605	665	645	860	815
	Women	1,755	1,575	1,620	1,655	1,955	1,755
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	135	145	125	145	190	150
	Women	400	405	330	370	415	350
All placed applicants	Men	145	165	155	175	215	170
	Women	430	450	380	420	480	410
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	16.3	15.5	17.2	16.4	22.3	21.5
population	Women	46.6	42.5	44.2	44.2	53.5	48.7
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	3.4	3.7	3.2	3.7	5.0	3.9
10,000 population	Women	10.6	10.9	9.0	10.0	11.3	9.7
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	3.7	4.2	4.0	4.5	5.6	4.5
population	Women	11.4	12.1	10.4	11.2	13.1	11.3

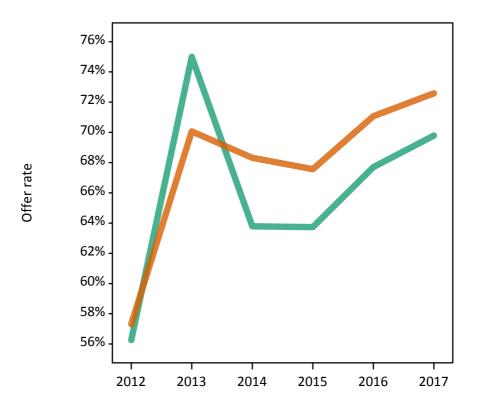
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	695	645	720	690	930	885
	Women	1,935	1,725	1,775	1,815	2,150	1,885
Offers	Men	390	485	460	440	630	620
	Women	1,110	1,210	1,215	1,225	1,530	1,370
Offer rate	Men	56.3%	75.0%	63.8%	63.7%	67.7%	69.8%
	Women	57.3%	70.1%	68.3%	67.6%	71.1%	72.6%
Average offer rate	Men	55.7%	74.1%	67.5%	65.8%	70.2%	70.0%
	Women	57.5%	70.4%	66.8%	66.8%	70.0%	72.5%
Percentage point difference between	Men	0.6	0.9	-3.7	-2.1	-2.5	-0.3
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	-0.2	-0.3	1.5	0.8	1.1	0.1
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.405	0.430	0.399	0.382	0.380	0.412
offer rate	Women	0.786	0.787	0.757	0.764	0.731	0.723

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 2012-2017.





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 2012-2017.





P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	295	265	265	265	335	295
	Quintile 2	435	395	415	425	500	420
	Quintile 3	535	445	495	475	585	535
	Quintile 4	535	510	560	580	705	650
	Quintile 5	600	555	545	545	685	670
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	60	80	50	70	80	65
	Quintile 2	100	110	105	100	115	80
	Quintile 3	115	115	100	110	135	100
	Quintile 4	135	125	115	135	125	120
	Quintile 5	120	115	80	105	145	130
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	65	80	60	80	90	70
	Quintile 2	105	120	130	115	125	95
	Quintile 3	130	135	115	125	150	120
	Quintile 4	140	140	135	155	150	145
	Quintile 5	135	130	95	120	175	150
June deadline applicants per 10,00	0 Quintile 1	20.6	18.9	19.2	19.0	24.7	22.3
population	Quintile 2	28.9	26.9	28.4	28.5	34.5	29.4
	Quintile 3	34.8	29.3	33.0	31.1	38.9	35.8
	Quintile 4	33.6	32.7	36.3	37.0	45.5	42.4
	Quintile 5	35.7	33.6	33.3	32.7	41.4	40.8
Placed June deadline applicants pe	r Quintile 1	4.2	5.7	3.7	5.0	6.1	4.8
10,000 population	Quintile 2	6.7	7.6	7.3	6.8	7.8	5.7
	Quintile 3	7.6	7.6	6.6	7.2	9.0	6.8
	Quintile 4	8.4	8.1	7.4	8.5	8.2	7.9
	Quintile 5	7.1	7.0	4.9	6.2	8.9	8.0
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	4.7	5.9	4.4	5.6	6.7	5.3
population	Quintile 2	7.1	8.3	8.7	7.9	8.7	6.8
	Quintile 3	8.3	8.9	7.7	8.0	10.0	7.9
	Quintile 4	8.9	9.1	8.7	10.0	9.8	9.6
	Quintile 5	8.0	7.8	5.8	7.1	10.5	9.1

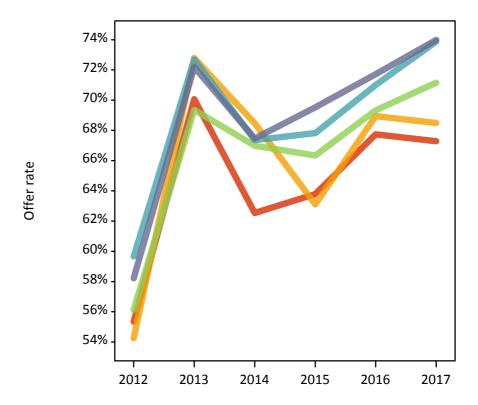
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic PO	LAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	325	285	290	290	375	325
	Quintile 2	470	430	465	470	540	455
	Quintile 3	580	495	525	510	640	580
	Quintile 4	585	555	630	635	770	695
	Quintile 5	665	595	585	595	745	710
Offers	Quintile 1	180	200	180	185	255	220
	Quintile 2	255	315	315	295	375	315
	Quintile 3	325	345	350	340	445	410
	Quintile 4	350	400	425	430	545	510
	Quintile 5	385	430	395	415	535	525
Offer rate	Quintile 1	55.4%	70.1%	62.5%	63.8%	67.7%	67.3%
	Quintile 2	54.3%	72.8%	68.5%	63.1%	68.9%	68.5%
	Quintile 3	56.1%	69.4%	67.0%	66.3%	69.3%	71.2%
	Quintile 4	59.7%	72.7%	67.4%	67.8%	71.0%	73.9%
	Quintile 5	58.2%	72.2%	67.5%	69.5%	71.7%	74.0%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	57.7%	72.0%	67.1%	65.6%	68.9%	70.0%
	Quintile 2	57.3%	71.9%	68.1%	65.3%	68.9%	70.8%
	Quintile 3	57.3%	70.6%	66.5%	66.4%	70.5%	71.8%
	Quintile 4	56.7%	71.9%	67.0%	67.3%	70.4%	71.9%
	Quintile 5	56.5%	71.6%	66.3%	67.4%	70.8%	72.6%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-2.3	-2.0	-4.6	-1.8	-1.2	-2.7
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-3.0	0.9	0.4	-2.2	0.0	-2.3
	Quintile 3	-1.2	-1.3	0.5	-0.1	-1.1	-0.7
	Quintile 4	2.9	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.6	2.0
	Quintile 5	1.7	0.6	1.2	2.1	0.9	1.4
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.179	0.189	0.175	0.162	0.169	0.171
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.241	0.235	0.235	0.229	0.219	0.220
	Quintile 3	0.261	0.263	0.259	0.255	0.247	0.265
	Quintile 4	0.275	0.288	0.298	0.298	0.289	0.295
	Quintile 5	0.304	0.320	0.298	0.291	0.290	0.307

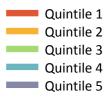
P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

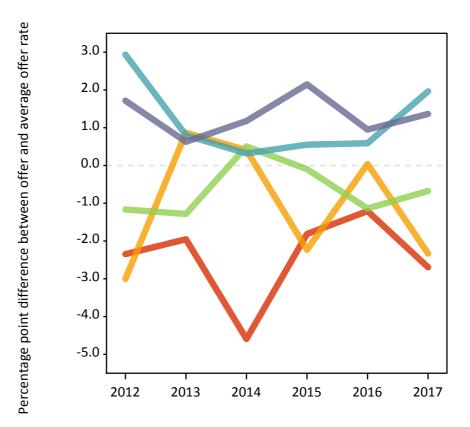
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.





P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	145	120	135	150	170	160
	Black	175	170	185	170	160	155
	Mixed	140	125	120	160	180	160
	White	1,895	1,720	1,800	1,770	2,240	2,045
	Other	40	40	35	35	50	40
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	40	30	30	30	35	30
	Black	40	45	35	45	50	30
	Mixed	25	25	25	20	45	40
	White	415	440	355	415	465	395
	Other	10	10	10	5	10	10
All placed applicants	Asian	40	40	35	40	40	35
	Black	45	60	40	55	60	40
	Mixed	30	30	30	30	45	45
	White	450	470	390	460	530	450
	Other	10	10	10	5	10	10
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	22.4	17.9	19.6	21.1	23.6	21.6
population	Black	61.8	57.3	60.7	53.4	50.5	49.9
	Mixed	53.7	45.5	41.7	52.2	57.2	49.8
	White	29.4	27.3	29.1	28.4	37.0	34.5
	Other	44.1	41.9	39.8	34.2	52.3	37.9
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	6.0	4.7	4.3	4.5	5.1	3.8
10,000 population	Black	14.2	14.8	10.9	14.5	16.3	8.9
	Mixed	10.0	9.2	8.3	6.8	13.7	11.8
	White	6.5	7.0	5.7	6.6	7.7	6.6
	Other	10.2	9.9	10.7	4.1	9.0	9.7
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	6.5	5.9	4.9	5.7	5.8	4.6
population	Black	15.6	19.9	13.5	17.6	19.8	12.4
	Mixed	11.1	10.7	9.7	9.4	14.9	14.3
	White	7.0	7.5	6.3	7.4	8.8	7.5
	Other	10.2	12.1	12.9	6.2	11.1	11.6

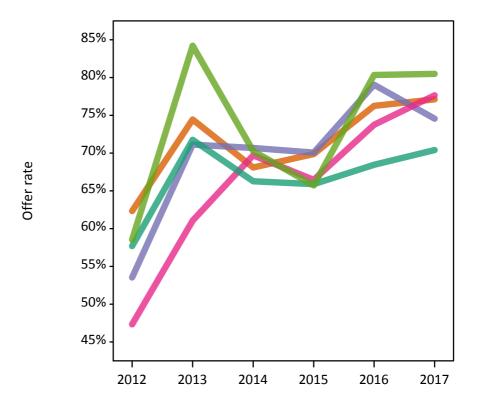
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	155	135	140	155	180	165
	Black	185	180	190	175	165	170
	Mixed	150	130	130	165	200	170
	White	2,090	1,870	1,980	1,955	2,460	2,210
	Other	40	40	35	35	60	40
Offers	Asian	95	100	95	110	140	130
	Black	100	130	135	125	130	125
	Mixed	70	80	90	110	145	130
	White	1,205	1,340	1,315	1,290	1,685	1,555
	Other	25	30	25	25	50	35
Offer rate	Asian	62.3%	74.5%	68.1%	69.9%	76.2%	77.1%
	Black	53.6%	71.1%	70.7%	70.1%	79.0%	74.6%
	Mixed	47.3%	61.1%	69.7%	66.5%	73.7%	77.6%
	White	57.7%	71.7%	66.3%	65.9%	68.5%	70.4%
	Other	58.5%	84.2%	70.3%	65.7%	80.3%	80.5%
Average offer rate	Asian	56.5%	70.3%	66.7%	68.7%	73.6%	75.8%
	Black	56.0%	72.1%	68.9%	65.2%	71.0%	71.5%
	Mixed	57.8%	70.5%	65.8%	67.4%	70.7%	72.6%
	White	57.1%	71.4%	66.9%	66.3%	69.6%	71.3%
	Other	56.0%	74.7%	67.1%	72.5%	75.4%	75.3%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	5.9	4.1	1.4	1.1	2.7	1.3
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-2.4	-1.0	1.8	4.9	8.0	3.0
	Mixed	-10.4	-9.5	3.9	-1.0	3.0	5.1
	White	0.6	0.4	-0.7	-0.4	-1.1	-0.8
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	5.0	N/A
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.156	0.117	0.101	0.110	0.116	0.129
offer rate	Black	0.141	0.135	0.159	0.132	0.112	0.118
	Mixed	0.105	0.138	0.107	0.139	0.120	0.126
	White	0.818	0.805	0.813	0.799	0.816	0.817
	Other	0.100	0.110	0.062	0.125	0.081	0.066

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

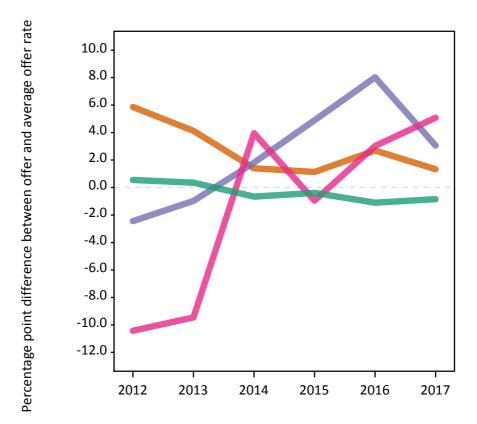
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P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.





P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	5,470	5,035	4,930	4,685	5,265	4,735
Placed June deadline applicants	1,395	1,380	1,070	1,050	1,140	965
All placed applicants	1,560	1,620	1,470	1,525	1,615	1,320

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	5,940	5,525	5,350	5,065	5,740	5,105
Offers	3,460	3,930	3,635	3,270	3,870	3,595
Offer rate	58.2%	71.1%	68.0%	64.6%	67.4%	70.4%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	1,635	1,485	1,515	1,380	1,660	1,550
	Women	3,835	3,550	3,415	3,305	3,605	3,185
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	390	405	335	310	385	340
	Women	1,005	970	735	740	750	625
All placed applicants	Men	440	480	460	475	520	450
	Women	1,120	1,140	1,010	1,055	1,095	870

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	1,740	1,610	1,630	1,465	1,800	1,670
	Women	4,200	3,915	3,725	3,595	3,940	3,435
Offers	Men	950	1,155	1,030	865	1,170	1,130
	Women	2,510	2,770	2,605	2,405	2,695	2,465
Offer rate	Men	54.6%	71.9%	63.3%	59.0%	65.1%	67.6%
	Women	59.7%	70.8%	70.0%	66.9%	68.5%	71.8%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	640	590	595	560	635	550
	Quintile 2	960	845	855	810	930	775
	Quintile 3	1,185	1,050	1,080	1,000	1,075	995
	Quintile 4	1,270	1,190	1,160	1,145	1,265	1,165
	Quintile 5	1,390	1,350	1,225	1,155	1,340	1,230
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	160	170	130	140	145	120
	Quintile 2	260	250	210	195	215	160
	Quintile 3	310	290	245	230	245	210
	Quintile 4	325	310	255	255	240	235
	Quintile 5	340	355	225	230	285	230
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	180	195	175	200	200	155
	Quintile 2	280	285	285	275	290	230
	Quintile 3	345	360	335	345	340	275
	Quintile 4	360	365	345	370	350	320
	Quintile 5	385	420	335	335	430	330

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	705	635	655	600	705	600
	Quintile 2	1,045	940	930	885	1,015	840
	Quintile 3	1,285	1,160	1,155	1,080	1,170	1,080
	Quintile 4	1,385	1,305	1,285	1,245	1,370	1,250
	Quintile 5	1,500	1,470	1,315	1,240	1,460	1,310
Offers	Quintile 1	400	445	415	370	455	390
	Quintile 2	605	680	645	550	665	575
	Quintile 3	730	825	770	715	790	750
	Quintile 4	810	910	865	805	935	910
	Quintile 5	900	1,070	925	825	1,010	955
Offer rate	Quintile 1	56.9%	69.7%	63.6%	61.3%	64.7%	64.8%
	Quintile 2	57.8%	72.2%	69.5%	62.2%	65.7%	68.7%
	Quintile 3	56.9%	71.1%	66.7%	66.3%	67.4%	69.5%
	Quintile 4	58.7%	69.7%	67.4%	64.9%	68.2%	72.8%
	Quintile 5	60.0%	72.9%	70.4%	66.5%	69.3%	72.8%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	370	335	335	330	375	315
	Black	510	470	445	390	365	330
	Mixed	325	295	275	325	355	315
	White	4,125	3,815	3,760	3,515	4,030	3,640
	Other	105	85	90	85	110	95
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	95	90	70	70	85	60
	Black	140	135	105	110	105	65
	Mixed	75	70	60	60	75	65
	White	1,060	1,055	805	785	860	745
	Other	25	20	25	20	15	20
All placed applicants	Asian	120	115	90	115	110	85
	Black	170	190	150	160	145	110
	Mixed	80	85	70	90	100	90
	White	1,155	1,180	925	1,100	1,230	985
	Other	25	30	30	30	25	40

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	400	385	360	340	405	335
	Black	555	505	465	410	385	355
	Mixed	350	315	305	345	380	340
	White	4,490	4,195	4,105	3,830	4,405	3,940
	Other	115	90	90	90	125	105
Offers	Asian	225	275	245	230	285	245
	Black	290	330	310	275	260	245
	Mixed	185	205	200	210	260	235
	White	2,680	3,025	2,810	2,465	2,955	2,765
	Other	65	65	60	60	85	75
Offer rate	Asian	57.0%	72.1%	68.0%	67.8%	70.7%	73.6%
	Black	52.3%	65.8%	66.1%	66.7%	66.7%	69.7%
	Mixed	52.6%	65.2%	65.5%	60.3%	68.2%	69.8%
	White	59.7%	72.1%	68.5%	64.4%	67.1%	70.2%
	Other	54.8%	73.0%	65.2%	67.8%	69.6%	72.8%

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 2017 cycle runs from September 2016 through to October 2017.

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 2016 quintile

Scottish index of multiple deprivation (SIMD) 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 2017 End of Cycle Report and the 2017 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. Numbers for applicants aged 17 and under are included in the tables that report numbers for all age groups. Providers in Scotland typically receive a higher proportion of applicants aged 17 and under compared to providers elsewhere in the UK.

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.