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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	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	7,150	7,100	5,840	7,365	7,110	7,915
Placed June deadline applicants	870	920	950	1,145	1,140	1,225
All placed applicants	1,095	1,140	1,405	1,455	1,605	1,815
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	92.5	93.3	77.6	96.1	94.8	106.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	11.3	12.1	12.6	15.0	15.2	16.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	14.2	15.0	18.7	19.0	21.4	24.5

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	7,445	7,370	6,070	7,610	7,380	8,185
Offers	5,730	5,480	4,470	5,685	5,780	6,195
Offer rate	77.0%	74.4%	73.6%	74.7%	78.3%	75.7%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	3,355	3,255	2,705	3,570	3,390	3,795
	Women	3,800	3,845	3,140	3,795	3,720	4,120
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	420	435	445	565	585	620
	Women	450	490	505	585	550	605
All placed applicants	Men	535	550	685	720	825	935
	Women	560	595	720	740	780	885
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	84.5	83.3	69.8	91.0	88.2	99.9
	Women	100.8	103.7	85.8	101.5	101.8	114.1
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	10.6	11.1	11.5	14.3	15.3	16.3
	Women	11.9	13.2	13.8	15.6	15.1	16.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	13.5	14.1	17.7	18.3	21.5	24.6
	Women	14.9	16.0	19.7	19.7	21.3	24.5

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	3,495	3,390	2,810	3,705	3,540	3,930
	Women	3,950	3,980	3,260	3,905	3,840	4,255
Offers	Men	2,755	2,580	2,115	2,820	2,825	3,070
	Women	2,980	2,900	2,355	2,870	2,955	3,130
Offer rate	Men	78.8%	76.1%	75.3%	76.1%	79.8%	78.1%
	Women	75.4%	72.9%	72.1%	73.4%	76.9%	73.5%
Average offer rate	Men	79.1%	76.2%	75.0%	75.9%	79.9%	76.8%
	Women	75.2%	72.8%	72.4%	73.6%	76.9%	74.7%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.3	-0.2	0.3	0.2	-0.0	1.2
	Women	0.2	0.1	-0.3	-0.2	0.0	-1.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.610	0.610	0.611	0.634	0.628	0.629
	Women	0.655	0.668	0.665	0.653	0.658	0.658

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.

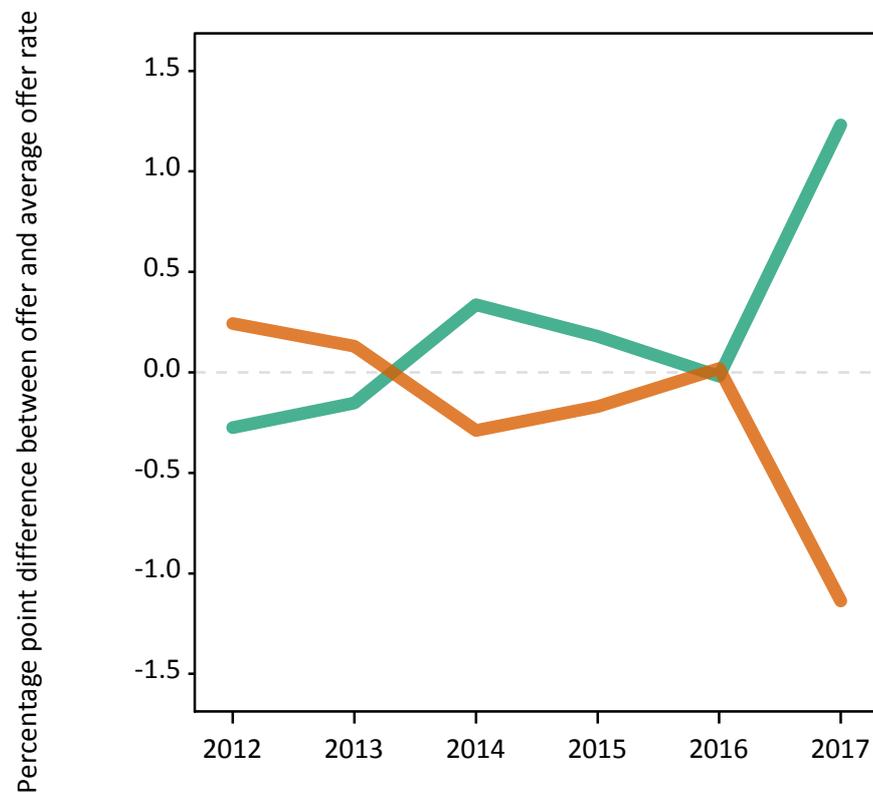
Men
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	780	785	680	900	780	905
	Quintile 2	1,190	1,190	1,015	1,205	1,180	1,395
	Quintile 3	1,520	1,635	1,355	1,795	1,645	1,835
	Quintile 4	1,735	1,705	1,385	1,765	1,785	1,890
	Quintile 5	1,910	1,770	1,405	1,695	1,700	1,880
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	95	105	120	130	135	145
	Quintile 2	155	160	145	175	190	225
	Quintile 3	190	220	235	300	290	305
	Quintile 4	215	225	235	290	285	295
	Quintile 5	220	210	220	250	235	250
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	110	120	160	160	170	205
	Quintile 2	185	190	200	220	250	305
	Quintile 3	250	270	360	375	420	435
	Quintile 4	270	290	345	375	395	440
	Quintile 5	280	270	340	320	365	425
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	54.6	56.2	48.9	64.2	57.8	68.1
	Quintile 2	79.5	80.8	69.2	81.1	81.7	98.2
	Quintile 3	98.6	107.1	90.0	116.8	109.4	123.1
	Quintile 4	109.3	109.1	89.7	112.8	115.5	123.7
	Quintile 5	113.6	107.1	86.1	101.4	102.9	114.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	6.5	7.5	8.5	9.4	9.9	11.0
	Quintile 2	10.3	10.9	9.8	11.9	13.3	16.0
	Quintile 3	12.2	14.4	15.5	19.4	19.2	20.3
	Quintile 4	13.4	14.4	15.3	18.5	18.6	19.2
	Quintile 5	13.2	12.7	13.4	14.8	14.2	15.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	7.7	8.6	11.4	11.4	12.5	15.5
	Quintile 2	12.5	12.8	13.7	14.9	17.4	21.5
	Quintile 3	16.1	17.8	23.9	24.5	28.1	29.3
	Quintile 4	16.9	18.7	22.3	24.1	25.7	28.9
	Quintile 5	16.7	16.2	20.9	19.1	22.1	25.8

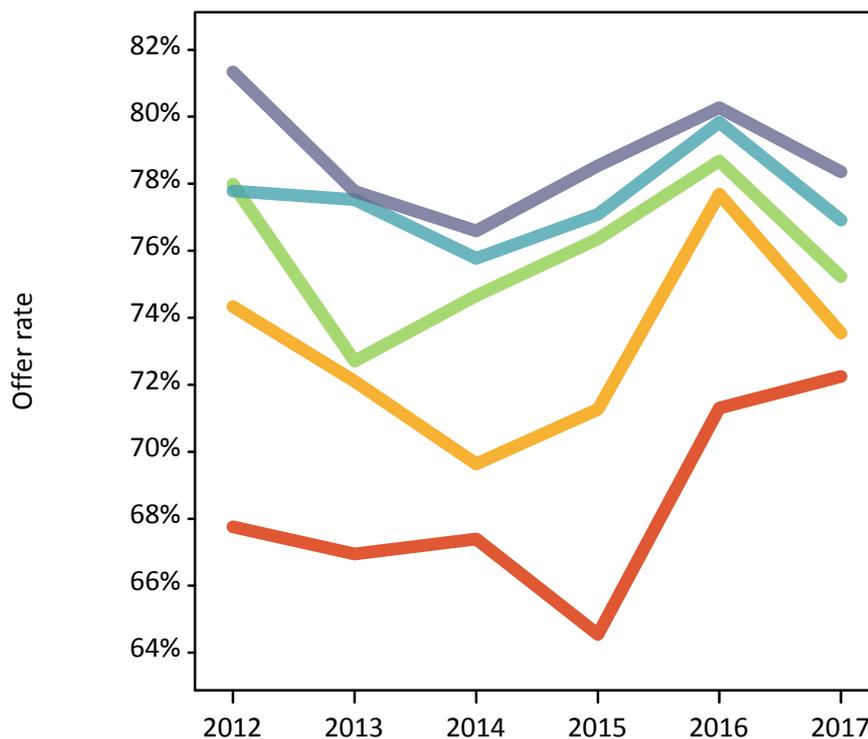
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	830	825	725	945	825	960
	Quintile 2	1,270	1,245	1,065	1,255	1,235	1,460
	Quintile 3	1,565	1,685	1,400	1,850	1,705	1,875
	Quintile 4	1,805	1,780	1,425	1,820	1,845	1,940
	Quintile 5	1,955	1,820	1,445	1,735	1,745	1,930
Offers	Quintile 1	560	550	490	610	590	695
	Quintile 2	945	895	745	895	960	1,075
	Quintile 3	1,220	1,225	1,045	1,415	1,345	1,410
	Quintile 4	1,405	1,380	1,080	1,405	1,475	1,495
	Quintile 5	1,590	1,415	1,105	1,360	1,400	1,515
Offer rate	Quintile 1	67.8%	67.0%	67.4%	64.6%	71.3%	72.2%
	Quintile 2	74.3%	72.1%	69.6%	71.3%	77.7%	73.5%
	Quintile 3	78.0%	72.7%	74.7%	76.3%	78.7%	75.2%
	Quintile 4	77.8%	77.5%	75.8%	77.1%	79.8%	76.9%
	Quintile 5	81.3%	77.8%	76.6%	78.5%	80.3%	78.4%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	71.3%	67.8%	70.1%	67.6%	73.5%	74.0%
	Quintile 2	74.4%	72.2%	71.9%	72.4%	78.3%	74.5%
	Quintile 3	77.2%	74.0%	73.9%	75.1%	78.5%	76.0%
	Quintile 4	77.6%	77.0%	74.9%	76.7%	79.4%	76.1%
	Quintile 5	80.6%	76.7%	75.3%	77.8%	79.5%	76.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-3.6	-0.8	-2.6	-3.0	-2.2	-1.8
	Quintile 2	-0.1	-0.1	-2.2	-1.2	-0.6	-1.0
	Quintile 3	0.8	-1.3	0.8	1.3	0.2	-0.8
	Quintile 4	0.2	0.5	0.9	0.3	0.5	0.8
	Quintile 5	0.7	1.1	1.3	0.7	0.8	1.6
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.217	0.216	0.226	0.220	0.211	0.203
	Quintile 2	0.261	0.246	0.270	0.242	0.238	0.252
	Quintile 3	0.292	0.300	0.311	0.313	0.301	0.299
	Quintile 4	0.314	0.313	0.319	0.309	0.316	0.300
	Quintile 5	0.346	0.335	0.327	0.314	0.317	0.315

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 2012-2017.

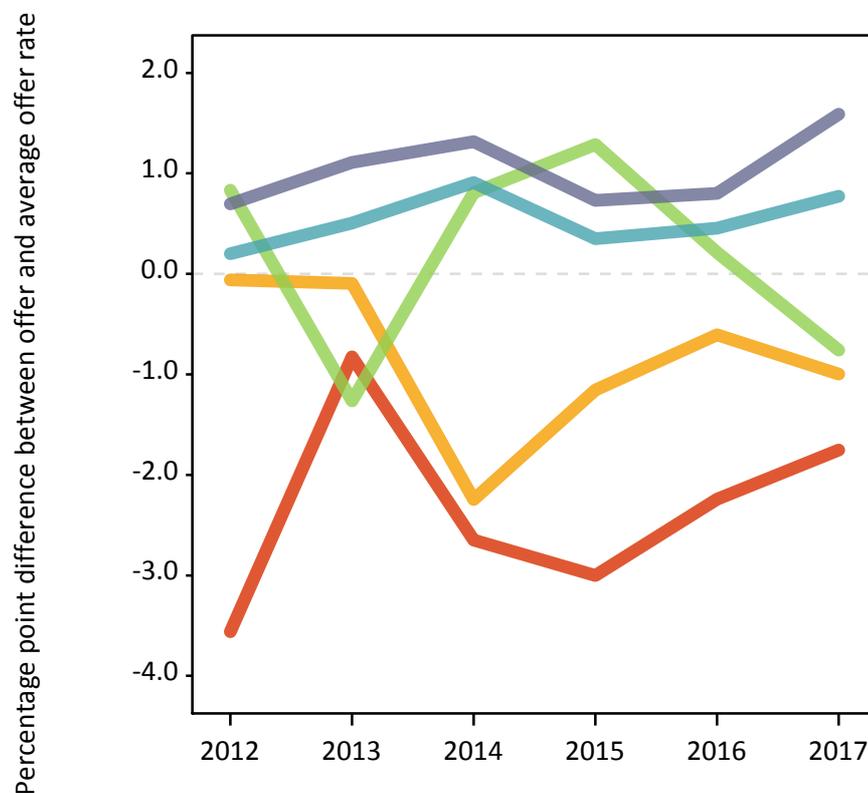
- Quintile 1
- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



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 2012-2017.

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



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	575	595	465	635	685	820
	Black	700	840	765	1,155	1,000	1,155
	Mixed	370	390	315	455	425	510
	White	5,360	5,130	4,180	4,930	4,810	5,200
	Other	105	110	105	150	140	175
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	55	60	55	80	100	110
	Black	95	125	150	200	175	235
	Mixed	55	70	45	80	65	100
	White	645	645	680	755	765	735
	Other	15	15	15	25	15	30
All placed applicants	Asian	75	90	130	130	175	250
	Black	150	180	305	290	335	420
	Mixed	70	80	70	95	100	135
	White	765	765	875	905	945	955
	Other	15	20	25	30	35	45
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	88.5	90.2	68.3	89.7	95.1	111.3
	Black	248.9	282.6	252.4	362.2	318.8	366.7
	Mixed	142.8	144.6	108.8	147.6	135.7	159.2
	White	83.0	81.5	67.7	79.1	79.5	87.6
	Other	118.7	122.4	111.7	154.6	138.7	168.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	8.8	9.2	8.4	11.6	14.0	15.2
	Black	33.0	41.4	49.8	62.8	55.6	75.0
	Mixed	21.5	25.5	16.0	25.9	21.3	30.5
	White	10.0	10.3	11.0	12.1	12.7	12.4
	Other	15.8	16.5	16.1	24.9	16.1	30.1
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	11.9	13.5	19.0	18.4	24.5	34.0
	Black	54.0	60.6	100.0	91.1	106.4	133.2
	Mixed	26.9	29.2	24.7	30.5	31.5	42.1
	White	11.8	12.2	14.2	14.5	15.6	16.1
	Other	19.2	21.0	25.8	32.2	35.2	42.7

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	580	605	475	650	695	830
	Black	710	855	770	1,160	1,005	1,165
	Mixed	385	400	315	465	440	520
	White	5,625	5,360	4,385	5,135	5,045	5,425
	Other	105	115	105	150	145	185
Offers	Asian	455	430	370	525	580	685
	Black	525	605	570	880	775	920
	Mixed	290	300	220	340	330	405
	White	4,340	4,035	3,215	3,800	3,930	3,985
	Other	85	80	80	110	115	155
Offer rate	Asian	78.7%	71.2%	77.7%	80.6%	83.8%	82.6%
	Black	73.9%	71.0%	73.8%	75.8%	77.3%	79.1%
	Mixed	75.5%	75.3%	69.4%	72.4%	75.0%	77.4%
	White	77.2%	75.3%	73.4%	74.0%	77.9%	73.5%
	Other	79.4%	70.4%	77.9%	71.5%	78.6%	85.2%
Average offer rate	Asian	80.8%	74.4%	79.2%	81.7%	84.4%	83.2%
	Black	74.1%	71.7%	74.3%	74.7%	78.2%	78.4%
	Mixed	76.1%	74.2%	69.8%	71.5%	77.4%	75.9%
	White	77.0%	74.8%	73.1%	74.0%	77.4%	73.8%
	Other	76.3%	72.3%	77.5%	76.8%	80.3%	82.2%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-2.2	-3.2	-1.5	-1.1	-0.5	-0.6
	Black	-0.2	-0.7	-0.5	1.1	-0.9	0.7
	Mixed	-0.6	1.1	-0.4	0.8	-2.4	1.4
	White	0.2	0.4	0.3	-0.0	0.5	-0.3
	Other	3.2	-1.9	0.4	-5.3	-1.7	3.0
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.233	0.227	0.220	0.200	0.198	0.224
	Black	0.225	0.243	0.242	0.263	0.236	0.251
	Mixed	0.146	0.160	0.142	0.147	0.146	0.143
	White	0.797	0.779	0.771	0.728	0.737	0.721
	Other	0.115	0.150	0.147	0.115	0.137	0.114

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 2012-2017.

- 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 2012-2017.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	11,915	12,285	10,835	13,075	12,985	13,770
Placed June deadline applicants	1,360	1,510	1,620	1,910	2,000	2,160
All placed applicants	1,835	1,995	2,510	2,695	3,010	3,120

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	12,555	12,875	11,430	13,645	13,635	14,435
Offers	7,935	7,850	6,835	8,455	8,605	9,260
Offer rate	63.2%	61.0%	59.8%	62.0%	63.1%	64.2%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	5,595	5,625	4,950	6,190	6,105	6,395
	Women	6,315	6,655	5,885	6,885	6,880	7,370
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	645	660	760	925	1,015	1,060
	Women	715	850	860	985	985	1,105
All placed applicants	Men	870	890	1,190	1,265	1,525	1,545
	Women	965	1,105	1,320	1,435	1,485	1,575

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	5,900	5,900	5,250	6,490	6,440	6,740
	Women	6,650	6,975	6,180	7,155	7,190	7,700
Offers	Men	3,900	3,740	3,335	4,230	4,350	4,630
	Women	4,035	4,110	3,505	4,220	4,260	4,630
Offer rate	Men	66.0%	63.4%	63.5%	65.2%	67.5%	68.7%
	Women	60.7%	58.9%	56.7%	59.0%	59.2%	60.2%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,465	1,525	1,480	1,775	1,740	1,845
	Quintile 2	1,975	2,100	1,925	2,230	2,250	2,420
	Quintile 3	2,605	2,785	2,500	3,060	2,950	3,165
	Quintile 4	2,850	2,905	2,460	3,085	3,050	3,185
	Quintile 5	2,985	2,930	2,460	2,905	2,965	3,110
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	175	190	235	245	275	280
	Quintile 2	240	255	245	315	350	390
	Quintile 3	290	355	380	470	495	525
	Quintile 4	335	370	395	470	470	510
	Quintile 5	325	340	355	405	410	450
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	235	255	335	380	390	400
	Quintile 2	310	330	380	450	495	525
	Quintile 3	400	465	610	650	770	740
	Quintile 4	455	480	600	650	690	740
	Quintile 5	430	455	580	560	660	700

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,600	1,620	1,640	1,900	1,865	2,000
	Quintile 2	2,120	2,215	2,065	2,350	2,390	2,575
	Quintile 3	2,710	2,895	2,600	3,205	3,085	3,280
	Quintile 4	3,005	3,050	2,550	3,185	3,185	3,310
	Quintile 5	3,080	3,055	2,560	2,990	3,080	3,230
Offers	Quintile 1	835	835	860	1,000	970	1,150
	Quintile 2	1,290	1,270	1,150	1,360	1,460	1,585
	Quintile 3	1,690	1,730	1,570	2,030	1,970	2,115
	Quintile 4	1,960	1,975	1,625	2,055	2,140	2,215
	Quintile 5	2,140	2,015	1,620	2,000	2,050	2,175
Offer rate	Quintile 1	52.2%	51.7%	52.4%	52.7%	52.1%	57.6%
	Quintile 2	60.7%	57.3%	55.8%	58.0%	61.1%	61.5%
	Quintile 3	62.4%	59.8%	60.5%	63.3%	63.9%	64.5%
	Quintile 4	65.3%	64.8%	63.7%	64.5%	67.1%	66.8%
	Quintile 5	69.5%	66.0%	63.2%	66.9%	66.6%	67.4%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,050	1,110	935	1,225	1,310	1,395
	Black	1,675	1,890	1,835	2,440	2,370	2,425
	Mixed	625	680	595	820	805	905
	White	8,270	8,315	7,215	8,220	8,115	8,605
	Other	215	200	195	275	275	315
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	85	105	110	150	165	185
	Black	155	210	270	310	310	395
	Mixed	95	100	75	130	120	170
	White	990	1,050	1,135	1,260	1,350	1,345
	Other	25	20	30	40	35	55
All placed applicants	Asian	125	165	250	260	325	380
	Black	245	305	535	480	615	695
	Mixed	115	120	120	165	190	230
	White	1,200	1,295	1,480	1,610	1,710	1,695
	Other	45	25	50	55	75	80

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	1,075	1,140	965	1,265	1,335	1,425
	Black	1,710	1,930	1,885	2,485	2,430	2,475
	Mixed	655	705	615	855	835	925
	White	8,815	8,800	7,700	8,655	8,630	9,140
	Other	215	205	200	285	290	335
Offers	Asian	670	705	630	845	910	1,030
	Black	805	965	985	1,385	1,285	1,495
	Mixed	425	430	355	515	525	630
	White	5,835	5,570	4,705	5,470	5,635	5,780
	Other	140	125	130	170	175	245
Offer rate	Asian	62.6%	61.9%	65.0%	67.0%	68.2%	72.5%
	Black	47.1%	49.9%	52.1%	55.6%	52.9%	60.4%
	Mixed	64.8%	61.1%	57.9%	60.5%	62.9%	68.1%
	White	66.2%	63.3%	61.1%	63.2%	65.3%	63.2%
	Other	65.3%	59.4%	65.3%	60.8%	60.5%	73.1%

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.