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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	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	4,275	4,630	4,460	4,355	4,315	3,940
Placed June deadline applicants	810	755	745	770	710	650
All placed applicants	1,065	965	1,005	1,015	995	955
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	56.2	61.4	58.2	58.1	58.3	54.5
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	10.6	10.0	9.8	10.3	9.6	9.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	14.0	12.8	13.1	13.5	13.4	13.2

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	5,050	5,375	5,090	4,910	4,840	4,425
Offers	4,235	4,590	4,105	4,260	4,105	3,885
Offer rate	83.8%	85.3%	80.6%	86.7%	84.8%	87.8%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	2,045	2,055	1,945	2,060	1,925	1,595
	Women	2,230	2,575	2,520	2,300	2,395	2,345
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	380	340	315	370	285	260
	Women	430	415	430	400	425	390
All placed applicants	Men	505	430	445	480	405	400
	Women	560	535	560	535	590	560
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	52.3	53.1	49.5	53.6	50.6	43.0
	Women	60.2	70.3	67.4	62.9	66.3	66.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	9.7	8.7	8.1	9.6	7.5	7.0
	Women	11.6	11.3	11.5	10.9	11.7	11.1
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	13.0	11.1	11.3	12.4	10.7	10.7
	Women	15.1	14.6	15.0	14.6	16.3	15.9

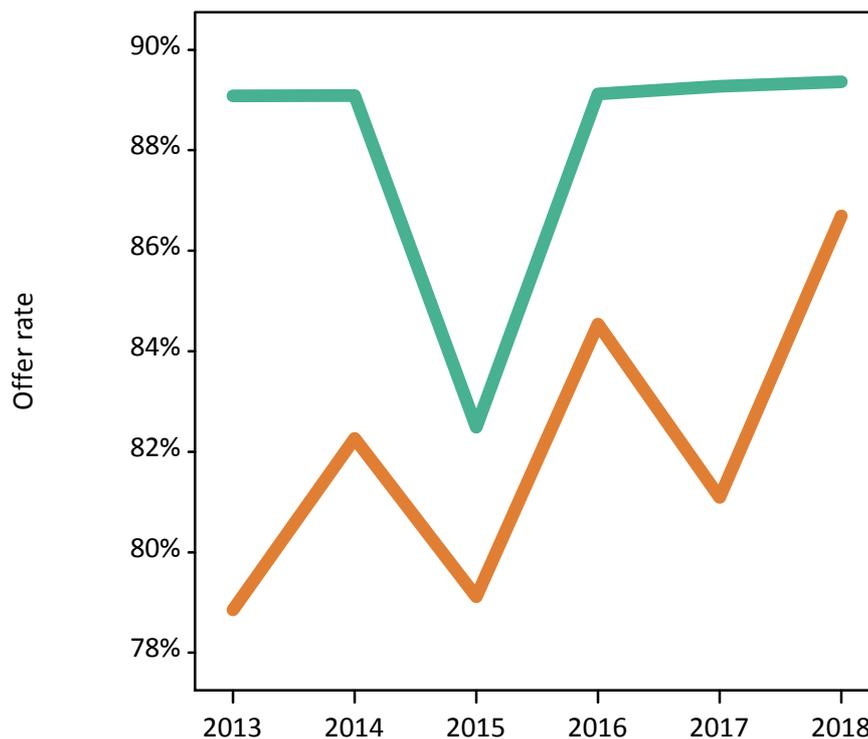
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	2,445	2,430	2,235	2,345	2,190	1,825
	Women	2,605	2,950	2,860	2,570	2,650	2,600
Offers	Men	2,180	2,165	1,840	2,090	1,955	1,630
	Women	2,055	2,425	2,260	2,170	2,150	2,255
Offer rate	Men	89.1%	89.1%	82.5%	89.1%	89.3%	89.4%
	Women	78.9%	82.3%	79.1%	84.5%	81.1%	86.7%
Average offer rate	Men	89.9%	90.5%	83.2%	90.1%	88.9%	89.9%
	Women	78.1%	81.1%	78.6%	83.7%	81.4%	86.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.8	-1.4	-0.7	-1.0	0.4	-0.5
	Women	0.7	1.1	0.5	0.9	-0.3	0.4
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.687	0.655	0.654	0.651	0.640	0.571
	Women	0.706	0.716	0.730	0.682	0.702	0.699

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 2013-2018.

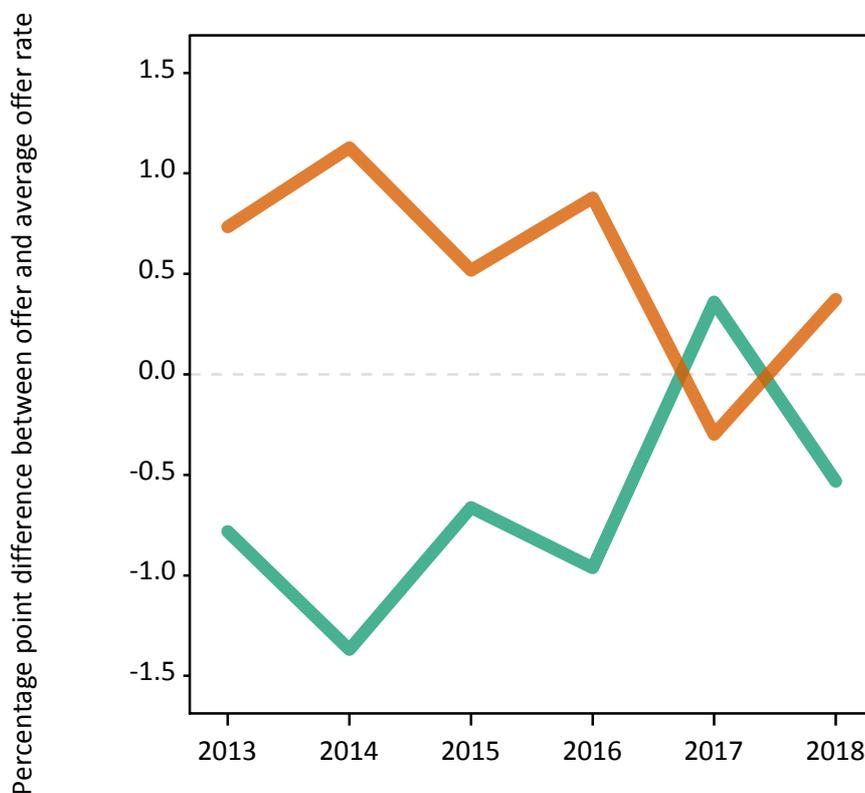
Men
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	515	645	565	615	615	580
	Quintile 2	985	1,085	1,080	1,090	1,060	985
	Quintile 3	1,170	1,215	1,240	1,205	1,240	1,130
	Quintile 4	915	980	915	870	815	750
	Quintile 5	685	700	655	575	585	485
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	85	70	70	90	75	80
	Quintile 2	210	175	200	220	215	200
	Quintile 3	260	245	250	245	225	200
	Quintile 4	150	180	145	160	125	110
	Quintile 5	100	80	80	60	65	60
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	110	90	95	120	110	110
	Quintile 2	275	230	260	275	285	300
	Quintile 3	325	305	335	320	310	295
	Quintile 4	205	215	205	205	180	170
	Quintile 5	150	125	110	90	110	85
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	36.7	45.8	39.8	45.1	45.9	44.6
	Quintile 2	67.9	75.7	74.0	76.9	75.8	72.8
	Quintile 3	78.6	82.8	82.8	82.1	85.5	80.2
	Quintile 4	59.3	64.3	59.0	57.0	53.9	51.0
	Quintile 5	39.7	41.0	37.8	33.2	34.2	28.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	6.1	4.8	5.0	6.5	5.8	6.2
	Quintile 2	14.6	12.3	13.6	15.4	15.3	14.7
	Quintile 3	17.4	16.9	16.8	16.6	15.7	14.3
	Quintile 4	9.8	11.7	9.4	10.4	8.2	7.3
	Quintile 5	5.9	4.8	4.5	3.4	3.8	3.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	7.7	6.5	6.6	8.7	8.1	8.4
	Quintile 2	18.8	16.1	17.8	19.4	20.6	22.2
	Quintile 3	21.9	20.8	22.3	22.0	21.5	20.9
	Quintile 4	13.2	14.1	13.3	13.4	11.8	11.4
	Quintile 5	8.8	7.2	6.3	5.1	6.3	5.0

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	570	700	605	655	655	625
	Quintile 2	1,220	1,305	1,245	1,250	1,225	1,125
	Quintile 3	1,435	1,470	1,490	1,400	1,435	1,300
	Quintile 4	1,085	1,135	1,050	1,000	895	835
	Quintile 5	735	760	695	605	625	530
Offers	Quintile 1	480	585	470	565	530	550
	Quintile 2	1,010	1,125	1,000	1,085	1,020	960
	Quintile 3	1,210	1,265	1,215	1,200	1,225	1,155
	Quintile 4	905	965	840	870	770	735
	Quintile 5	625	640	570	535	550	475
Offer rate	Quintile 1	83.9%	83.0%	77.9%	86.2%	81.3%	88.0%
	Quintile 2	82.9%	86.2%	80.5%	86.9%	83.5%	85.3%
	Quintile 3	84.3%	86.2%	81.5%	86.0%	85.4%	88.9%
	Quintile 4	83.6%	85.1%	79.9%	86.7%	85.8%	88.5%
	Quintile 5	84.8%	84.6%	82.0%	88.7%	88.0%	89.1%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	82.7%	83.4%	80.1%	84.7%	82.1%	85.7%
	Quintile 2	82.9%	85.7%	79.8%	86.3%	83.7%	87.2%
	Quintile 3	83.0%	85.3%	80.4%	86.6%	84.6%	88.5%
	Quintile 4	84.5%	85.6%	81.1%	86.7%	86.4%	88.5%
	Quintile 5	86.9%	86.1%	82.1%	90.0%	87.8%	88.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	1.1	-0.4	-2.1	1.6	-0.8	2.3
	Quintile 2	-0.0	0.5	0.7	0.5	-0.2	-1.8
	Quintile 3	1.3	0.9	1.1	-0.6	0.8	0.4
	Quintile 4	-0.9	-0.5	-1.1	0.0	-0.5	0.0
	Quintile 5	-2.1	-1.6	-0.1	-1.3	0.2	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.244	0.240	0.215	0.242	0.231	0.207
	Quintile 2	0.342	0.341	0.328	0.331	0.327	0.314
	Quintile 3	0.378	0.353	0.370	0.365	0.362	0.355
	Quintile 4	0.320	0.296	0.306	0.293	0.283	0.254
	Quintile 5	0.303	0.277	0.274	0.252	0.248	0.206

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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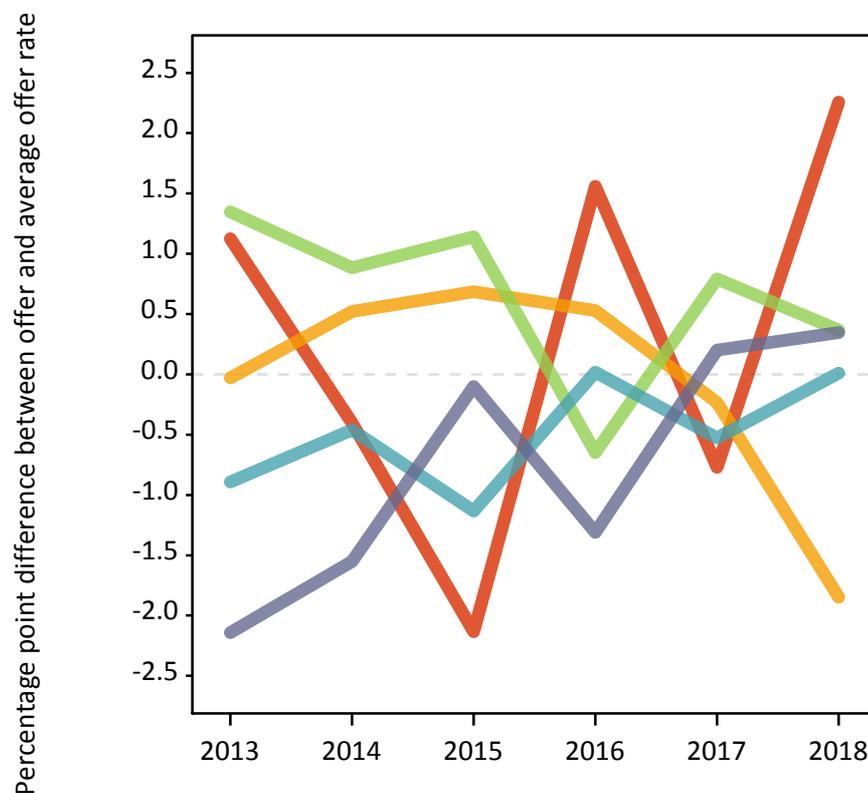
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- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.

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



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	2,010	2,160	2,095	2,205	2,360	2,210
	Black	290	295	320	335	255	260
	Mixed	110	115	130	150	125	110
	White	1,755	1,945	1,775	1,550	1,455	1,240
	Other	75	90	90	75	80	85
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	510	470	470	555	500	445
	Black	40	35	40	35	30	30
	Mixed	15	15	20	15	20	20
	White	230	215	205	145	140	135
	Other	10	15	10	10	10	15
All placed applicants	Asian	665	610	655	720	700	670
	Black	60	55	55	55	50	55
	Mixed	20	20	25	20	25	20
	White	285	250	245	190	180	165
	Other	20	20	15	15	20	25
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	304.8	318.7	296.3	306.4	321.1	297.8
	Black	97.3	97.3	100.5	107.0	81.0	83.7
	Mixed	41.1	39.6	42.8	47.4	39.3	33.4
	White	27.9	31.5	28.5	25.6	24.5	21.6
	Other	80.5	96.7	95.4	76.4	77.7	80.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	77.0	69.6	66.1	77.1	67.8	59.9
	Black	14.1	10.9	12.9	11.5	9.9	9.9
	Mixed	4.8	5.2	6.2	5.4	6.9	5.6
	White	3.6	3.5	3.3	2.4	2.4	2.3
	Other	11.0	16.1	8.3	11.1	8.7	15.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	101.0	90.1	92.8	100.2	95.1	90.6
	Black	20.5	17.8	17.3	17.2	16.2	18.0
	Mixed	7.0	7.6	8.1	7.0	8.4	6.5
	White	4.5	4.1	3.9	3.2	3.0	2.9
	Other	23.2	23.6	16.6	16.1	20.4	24.7

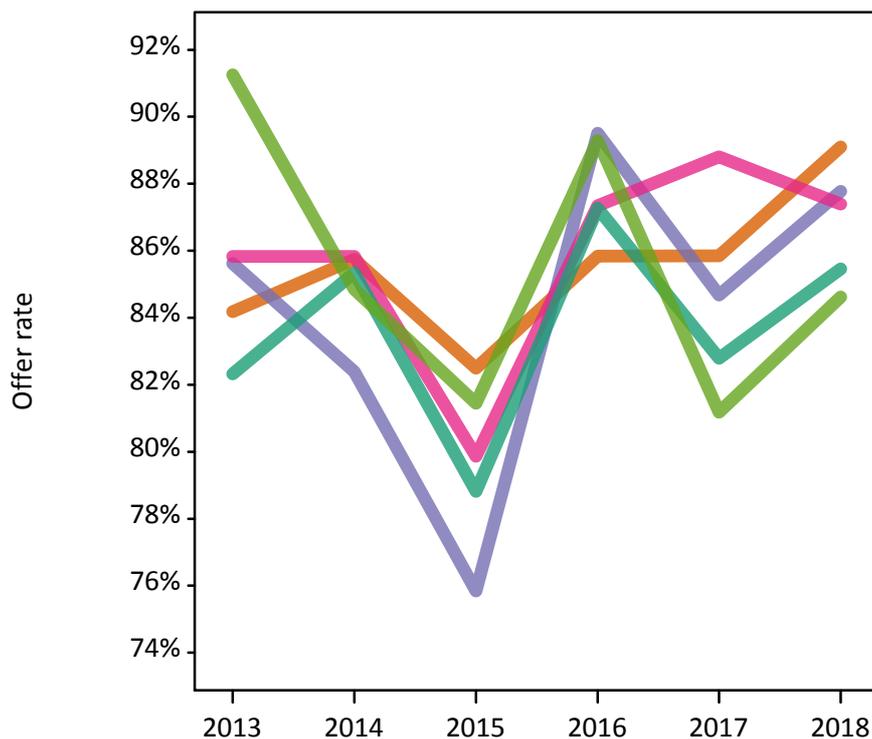
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	2,650	2,740	2,605	2,670	2,800	2,595
	Black	305	300	325	345	260	270
	Mixed	120	120	150	160	135	120
	White	1,855	2,090	1,865	1,610	1,510	1,305
	Other	80	100	95	85	85	90
Offers	Asian	2,230	2,350	2,150	2,290	2,405	2,310
	Black	260	250	250	305	220	235
	Mixed	105	105	120	140	120	105
	White	1,530	1,780	1,470	1,405	1,250	1,115
	Other	75	85	80	75	70	75
Offer rate	Asian	84.2%	85.7%	82.5%	85.8%	85.9%	89.1%
	Black	85.6%	82.4%	75.8%	89.5%	84.7%	87.8%
	Mixed	85.8%	85.8%	79.9%	87.3%	88.8%	87.4%
	White	82.3%	85.3%	78.8%	87.3%	82.8%	85.5%
	Other	91.3%	84.8%	81.4%	89.3%	81.2%	84.6%
Average offer rate	Asian	85.1%	86.5%	82.7%	86.7%	85.7%	89.2%
	Black	86.6%	85.5%	79.9%	87.1%	83.5%	86.3%
	Mixed	82.1%	85.7%	82.5%	85.8%	86.1%	87.8%
	White	81.3%	83.7%	77.5%	86.6%	83.1%	85.3%
	Other	87.8%	86.6%	82.3%	87.2%	85.7%	87.6%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-0.9	-0.8	-0.2	-0.8	0.1	-0.1
	Black	-1.0	-3.1	-4.1	2.4	1.2	1.5
	Mixed	3.7	0.1	-2.6	1.5	2.7	-0.4
	White	1.0	1.7	1.4	0.6	-0.3	0.1
	Other	3.4	-1.8	-0.9	2.1	-4.6	-3.0
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.653	0.628	0.628	0.648	0.682	0.670
	Black	0.194	0.160	0.194	0.180	0.141	0.132
	Mixed	0.175	0.135	0.153	0.139	0.123	0.119
	White	0.545	0.549	0.527	0.490	0.498	0.459
	Other	0.156	0.141	0.150	0.141	0.161	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 2013-2018.

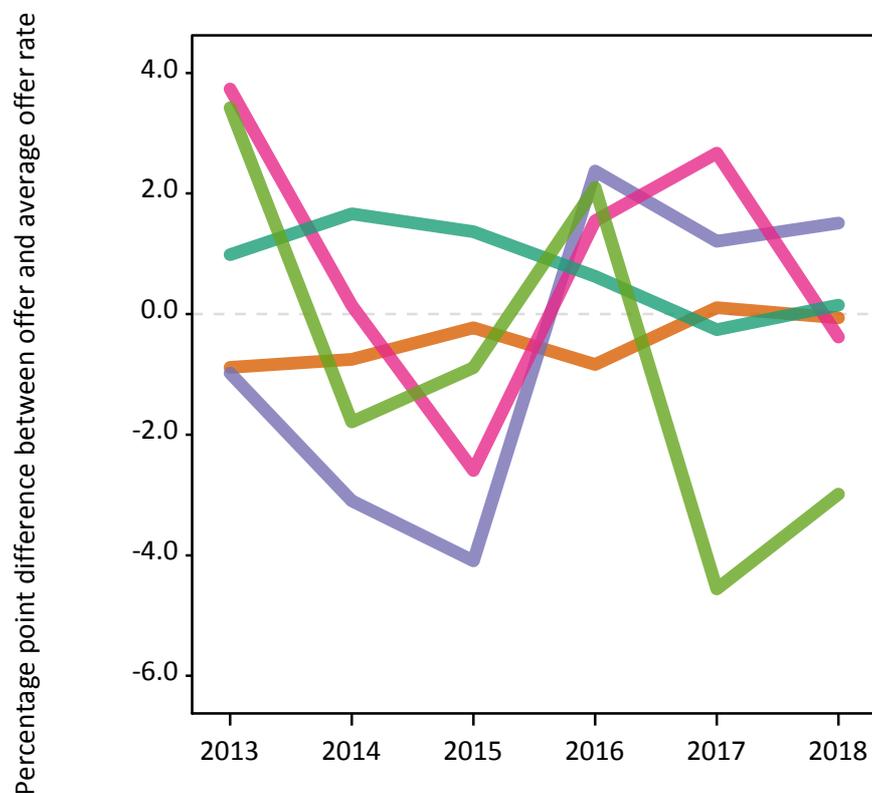
- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



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 2013-2018.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	10,170	10,740	10,375	9,920	9,410	8,340
Placed June deadline applicants	1,815	1,675	1,655	1,585	1,540	1,505
All placed applicants	2,495	2,200	2,215	2,170	2,120	2,160

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	11,830	12,315	11,695	11,185	10,540	9,395
Offers	8,525	8,970	8,205	8,325	7,750	7,380
Offer rate	72.1%	72.8%	70.2%	74.4%	73.5%	78.5%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	4,410	4,410	4,135	4,295	3,915	3,260
	Women	5,760	6,330	6,240	5,625	5,495	5,080
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	770	680	640	685	605	555
	Women	1,040	1,000	1,015	905	930	950
All placed applicants	Men	1,080	905	910	950	860	860
	Women	1,415	1,295	1,305	1,220	1,260	1,300

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	5,220	5,210	4,725	4,940	4,470	3,750
	Women	6,610	7,105	6,970	6,245	6,075	5,650
Offers	Men	4,070	4,060	3,400	3,835	3,490	3,020
	Women	4,460	4,910	4,805	4,490	4,265	4,360
Offer rate	Men	77.9%	77.9%	72.0%	77.7%	78.1%	80.5%
	Women	67.5%	69.1%	68.9%	71.8%	70.2%	77.2%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,620	1,805	1,695	1,680	1,600	1,480
	Quintile 2	2,430	2,625	2,585	2,485	2,410	2,110
	Quintile 3	2,675	2,735	2,695	2,625	2,480	2,280
	Quintile 4	1,985	2,080	1,995	1,865	1,750	1,535
	Quintile 5	1,430	1,475	1,390	1,245	1,155	915
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	230	220	205	205	215	240
	Quintile 2	500	415	445	435	445	415
	Quintile 3	545	530	525	495	450	460
	Quintile 4	320	345	310	330	285	265
	Quintile 5	215	170	175	120	145	125
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	315	300	270	275	280	320
	Quintile 2	670	545	585	595	605	605
	Quintile 3	730	675	700	680	620	660
	Quintile 4	455	440	420	420	390	390
	Quintile 5	320	240	240	195	220	180

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,760	1,960	1,815	1,810	1,725	1,605
	Quintile 2	2,960	3,090	2,950	2,860	2,755	2,425
	Quintile 3	3,235	3,260	3,190	3,055	2,875	2,650
	Quintile 4	2,310	2,400	2,250	2,125	1,945	1,710
	Quintile 5	1,545	1,590	1,475	1,320	1,225	985
Offers	Quintile 1	1,140	1,325	1,185	1,225	1,155	1,180
	Quintile 2	2,065	2,225	2,065	2,135	1,995	1,870
	Quintile 3	2,415	2,440	2,325	2,330	2,160	2,130
	Quintile 4	1,715	1,805	1,570	1,610	1,480	1,385
	Quintile 5	1,170	1,160	1,050	1,015	950	800
Offer rate	Quintile 1	64.8%	67.6%	65.3%	67.6%	67.1%	73.6%
	Quintile 2	69.9%	72.0%	70.0%	74.7%	72.5%	77.1%
	Quintile 3	74.6%	74.9%	72.8%	76.3%	75.1%	80.4%
	Quintile 4	74.3%	75.2%	69.9%	75.8%	76.1%	80.9%
	Quintile 5	75.9%	73.0%	71.3%	77.0%	77.5%	81.4%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	4,120	4,330	4,170	4,285	4,285	3,990
	Black	1,330	1,275	1,330	1,200	1,100	935
	Mixed	285	310	345	315	295	260
	White	4,140	4,530	4,205	3,775	3,395	2,820
	Other	195	215	210	210	215	230
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	950	855	880	940	875	850
	Black	175	165	145	125	135	120
	Mixed	45	45	50	40	40	45
	White	595	575	540	440	430	430
	Other	25	25	25	25	30	45
All placed applicants	Asian	1,315	1,155	1,240	1,285	1,235	1,250
	Black	255	225	195	180	190	190
	Mixed	70	60	65	55	55	60
	White	750	680	640	560	525	515
	Other	45	50	40	45	50	65

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	5,280	5,470	5,080	5,215	5,115	4,710
	Black	1,440	1,335	1,380	1,245	1,165	995
	Mixed	330	340	385	340	315	285
	White	4,445	4,840	4,485	4,015	3,580	3,030
	Other	215	235	230	230	230	250
Offers	Asian	4,085	4,255	3,845	4,080	4,065	3,910
	Black	805	780	780	755	675	645
	Mixed	240	250	255	255	235	225
	White	3,150	3,455	3,100	2,960	2,505	2,305
	Other	165	175	150	175	165	190
Offer rate	Asian	77.3%	77.8%	75.7%	78.2%	79.5%	83.0%
	Black	56.1%	58.5%	56.5%	60.7%	58.1%	65.0%
	Mixed	72.6%	72.8%	66.2%	74.8%	75.1%	77.7%
	White	70.8%	71.4%	69.1%	73.8%	70.0%	76.2%
	Other	76.9%	73.3%	65.4%	75.3%	72.4%	77.0%

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 2018 cycle runs from September 2017 through to October 2018.

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.

POLAR4 quintile

Developed by OfS, POLAR4 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). POLAR4 is based on the participation rates of young people between 2009-10 and 2013-14 if they entered higher education aged 18, or between 2010-11 and 2014-15 if they entered aged 19, 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 POLAR4 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 2018 End of Cycle Report and the 2018 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 POLAR4 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 POLAR4 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.