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P.1 18 year old applicants

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	146,955	151,690	161,255	166,585	174,340	172,840
Placed June deadline applicants	67,695	68,410	71,955	72,820	73,480	71,785
All placed applicants	72,465	73,655	77,820	79,250	80,200	79,070
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	1,931.1	2,014.1	2,104.7	2,222.5	2,353.1	2,392.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	889.6	908.3	939.2	971.5	991.8	993.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	952.2	978.0	1,015.8	1,057.3	1,082.5	1,094.7

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	433,260	444,795	470,220	485,225	510,480	508,480
Offers	300,440	319,405	344,440	356,235	376,560	372,690
Offer rate	69.3%	71.8%	73.3%	73.4%	73.8%	73.3%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	66,280	67,880	71,360	72,950	77,195	76,155
	Women	80,675	83,810	89,890	93,635	97,145	96,685
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	31,195	31,195	32,505	32,115	32,880	32,140
	Women	36,500	37,215	39,450	40,700	40,600	39,645
All placed applicants	Men	33,395	33,650	35,150	35,105	35,990	35,510
	Women	39,070	40,005	42,670	44,145	44,215	43,560
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	1,697.7	1,753.5	1,818.4	1,899.1	2,032.3	2,055.7
	Women	2,177.0	2,289.7	2,405.4	2,562.5	2,690.5	2,747.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	799.1	805.9	828.3	836.1	865.7	867.6
	Women	985.0	1,016.6	1,055.6	1,113.9	1,124.4	1,126.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	855.4	869.3	895.7	913.9	947.5	958.6
	Women	1,054.3	1,092.9	1,141.8	1,208.1	1,224.5	1,237.9

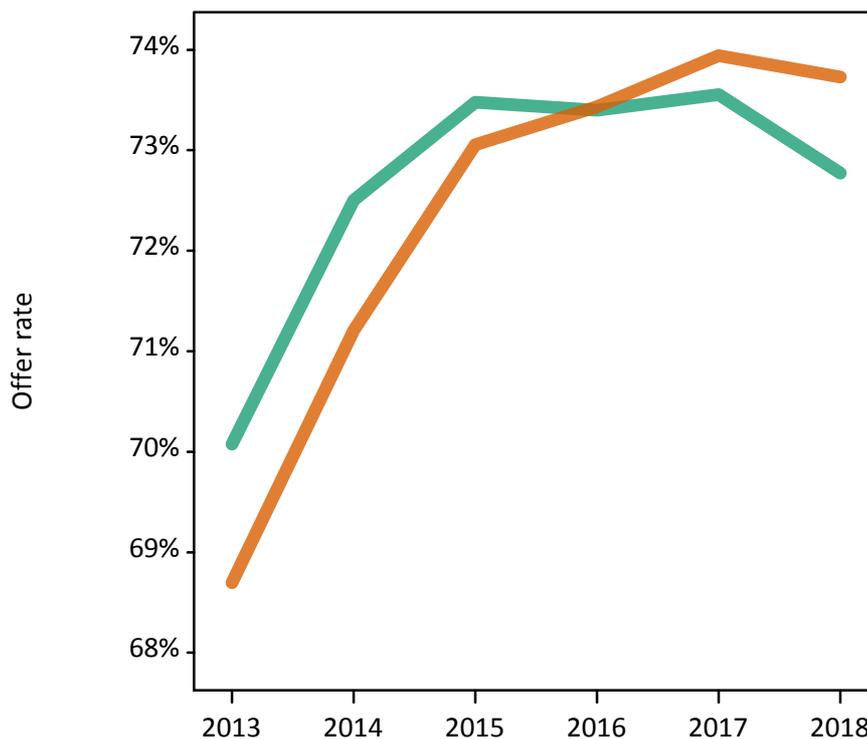
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	203,225	206,520	217,015	220,390	233,425	231,395
	Women	230,030	238,280	253,205	264,835	277,055	277,090
Offers	Men	142,410	149,730	159,460	161,760	171,695	168,395
	Women	158,025	169,675	184,980	194,475	204,860	204,300
Offer rate	Men	70.1%	72.5%	73.5%	73.4%	73.6%	72.8%
	Women	68.7%	71.2%	73.1%	73.4%	73.9%	73.7%
Average offer rate	Men	70.8%	73.1%	74.1%	74.0%	74.2%	73.7%
	Women	68.1%	70.7%	72.5%	72.9%	73.4%	73.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.7	-0.6	-0.7	-0.6	-0.6	-0.9
	Women	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.7
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.597	0.596	0.596	0.588	0.591	0.585
	Women	0.644	0.649	0.654	0.657	0.656	0.653

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.

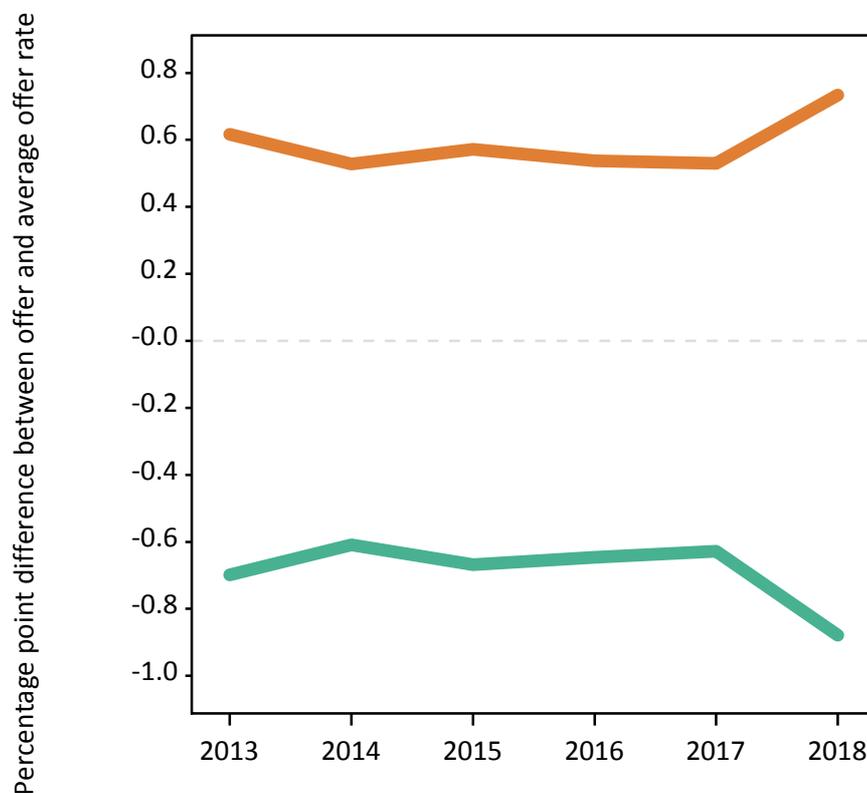
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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	11,040	12,095	13,400	13,900	15,245	15,060
	Quintile 2	18,150	19,430	20,890	21,735	23,015	22,745
	Quintile 3	25,085	26,000	28,055	28,750	30,305	29,725
	Quintile 4	33,290	34,320	36,360	37,655	39,240	39,145
	Quintile 5	59,120	59,555	62,240	64,215	66,155	65,655
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	3,580	3,950	4,200	4,325	4,550	4,460
	Quintile 2	6,825	7,090	7,435	7,730	8,020	7,685
	Quintile 3	10,305	10,320	11,095	11,180	11,235	10,820
	Quintile 4	14,715	14,935	15,885	15,860	15,950	15,605
	Quintile 5	32,170	32,005	33,205	33,590	33,570	33,020
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	3,835	4,260	4,540	4,675	4,935	4,890
	Quintile 2	7,280	7,590	8,020	8,400	8,690	8,400
	Quintile 3	11,025	11,115	11,990	12,120	12,215	11,920
	Quintile 4	15,765	16,115	17,210	17,260	17,430	17,225
	Quintile 5	34,435	34,455	35,915	36,645	36,765	36,405
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	784.4	860.3	946.4	1,021.1	1,139.2	1,158.3
	Quintile 2	1,249.9	1,353.5	1,430.1	1,531.4	1,649.5	1,680.2
	Quintile 3	1,687.6	1,775.5	1,871.6	1,961.6	2,092.0	2,108.8
	Quintile 4	2,160.0	2,251.1	2,347.4	2,470.5	2,595.0	2,653.3
	Quintile 5	3,432.4	3,500.3	3,583.6	3,722.3	3,858.2	3,898.5
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	254.5	280.9	296.8	317.7	340.2	343.1
	Quintile 2	470.1	494.1	509.1	544.8	574.7	567.5
	Quintile 3	693.3	704.7	740.0	762.9	775.6	767.6
	Quintile 4	954.7	979.6	1,025.5	1,040.5	1,054.8	1,057.5
	Quintile 5	1,867.7	1,881.0	1,911.8	1,946.9	1,957.9	1,960.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	272.6	303.2	320.7	343.5	368.7	376.2
	Quintile 2	501.3	528.6	549.2	592.0	622.8	620.6
	Quintile 3	741.7	758.9	799.7	827.1	843.2	845.7
	Quintile 4	1,023.0	1,057.0	1,111.0	1,132.5	1,152.8	1,167.6
	Quintile 5	1,999.3	2,025.0	2,067.8	2,124.2	2,144.1	2,161.7

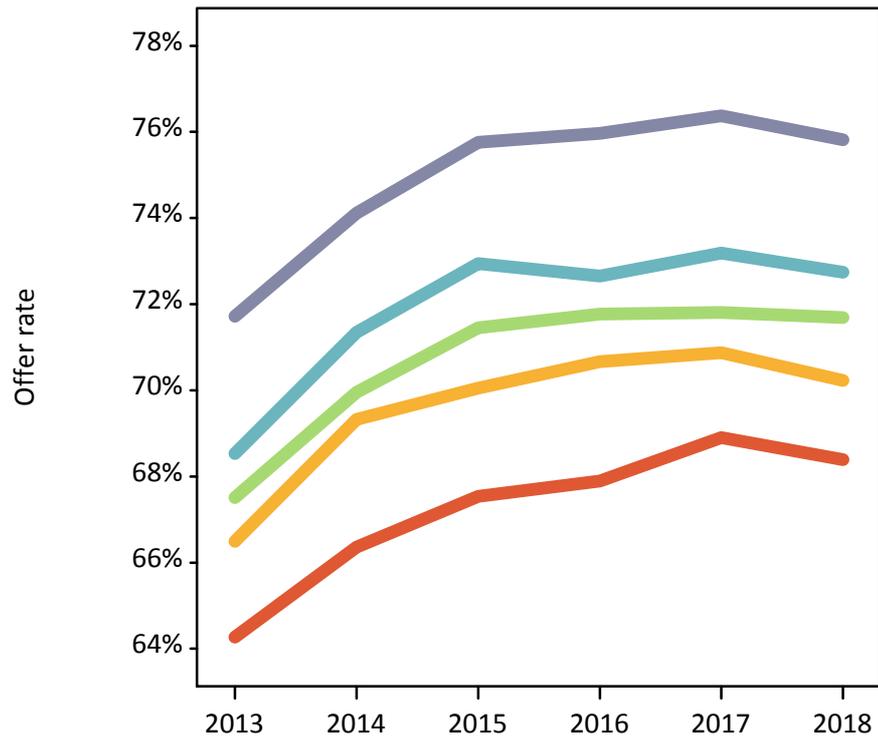
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	25,540	28,225	31,210	32,305	36,340	36,010
	Quintile 2	46,060	48,890	52,340	54,525	58,445	58,280
	Quintile 3	67,735	69,655	74,770	76,505	81,300	80,365
	Quintile 4	95,705	98,740	104,370	107,785	112,590	112,755
	Quintile 5	197,425	198,435	206,580	213,095	220,675	219,590
Offers	Quintile 1	16,415	18,730	21,080	21,930	25,040	24,625
	Quintile 2	30,625	33,890	36,665	38,530	41,420	40,930
	Quintile 3	45,730	48,725	53,425	54,910	58,380	57,615
	Quintile 4	65,585	70,445	76,125	78,310	82,405	82,025
	Quintile 5	141,590	147,060	156,495	161,885	168,530	166,495
Offer rate	Quintile 1	64.3%	66.4%	67.5%	67.9%	68.9%	68.4%
	Quintile 2	66.5%	69.3%	70.1%	70.7%	70.9%	70.2%
	Quintile 3	67.5%	70.0%	71.5%	71.8%	71.8%	71.7%
	Quintile 4	68.5%	71.3%	72.9%	72.7%	73.2%	72.7%
	Quintile 5	71.7%	74.1%	75.8%	76.0%	76.4%	75.8%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	65.5%	67.2%	68.5%	68.8%	69.3%	69.5%
	Quintile 2	67.4%	69.7%	70.4%	70.9%	71.3%	70.9%
	Quintile 3	68.1%	70.4%	71.8%	72.2%	72.4%	72.2%
	Quintile 4	69.0%	71.6%	73.4%	73.2%	73.6%	73.2%
	Quintile 5	70.9%	73.6%	75.1%	75.4%	75.7%	75.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-1.2	-0.8	-1.0	-0.9	-0.4	-1.1
	Quintile 2	-0.9	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	-0.4	-0.7
	Quintile 3	-0.6	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.6	-0.5
	Quintile 4	-0.5	-0.3	-0.5	-0.5	-0.4	-0.4
	Quintile 5	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.146	0.149	0.150	0.151	0.152	0.132
	Quintile 2	0.174	0.177	0.180	0.178	0.178	0.165
	Quintile 3	0.211	0.209	0.211	0.209	0.210	0.197
	Quintile 4	0.266	0.266	0.265	0.265	0.263	0.254
	Quintile 5	0.512	0.503	0.498	0.497	0.491	0.481

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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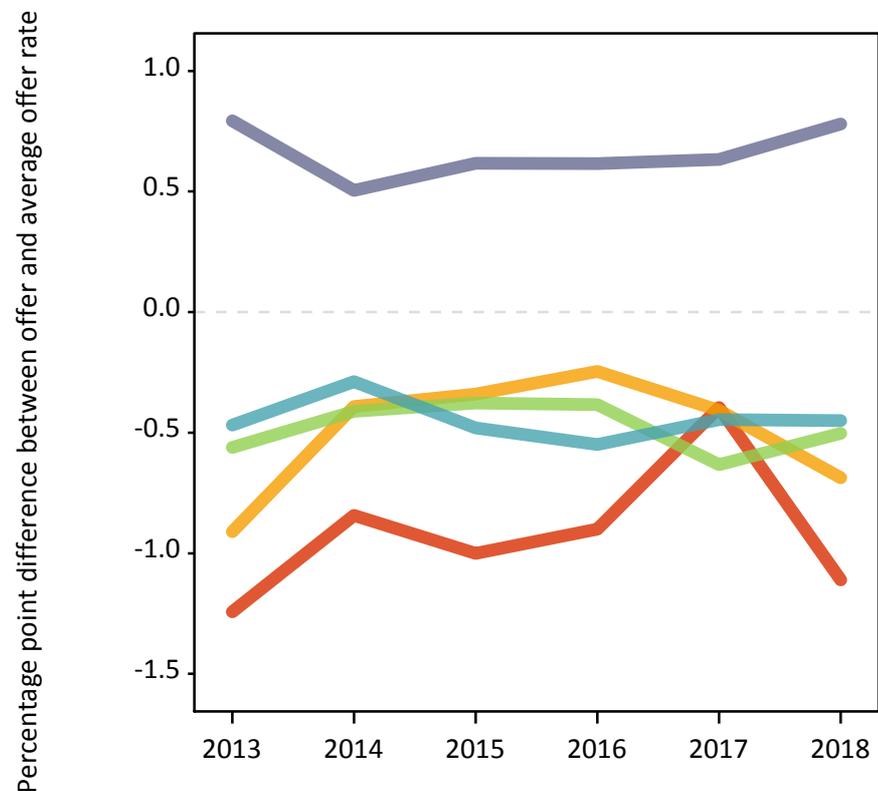
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

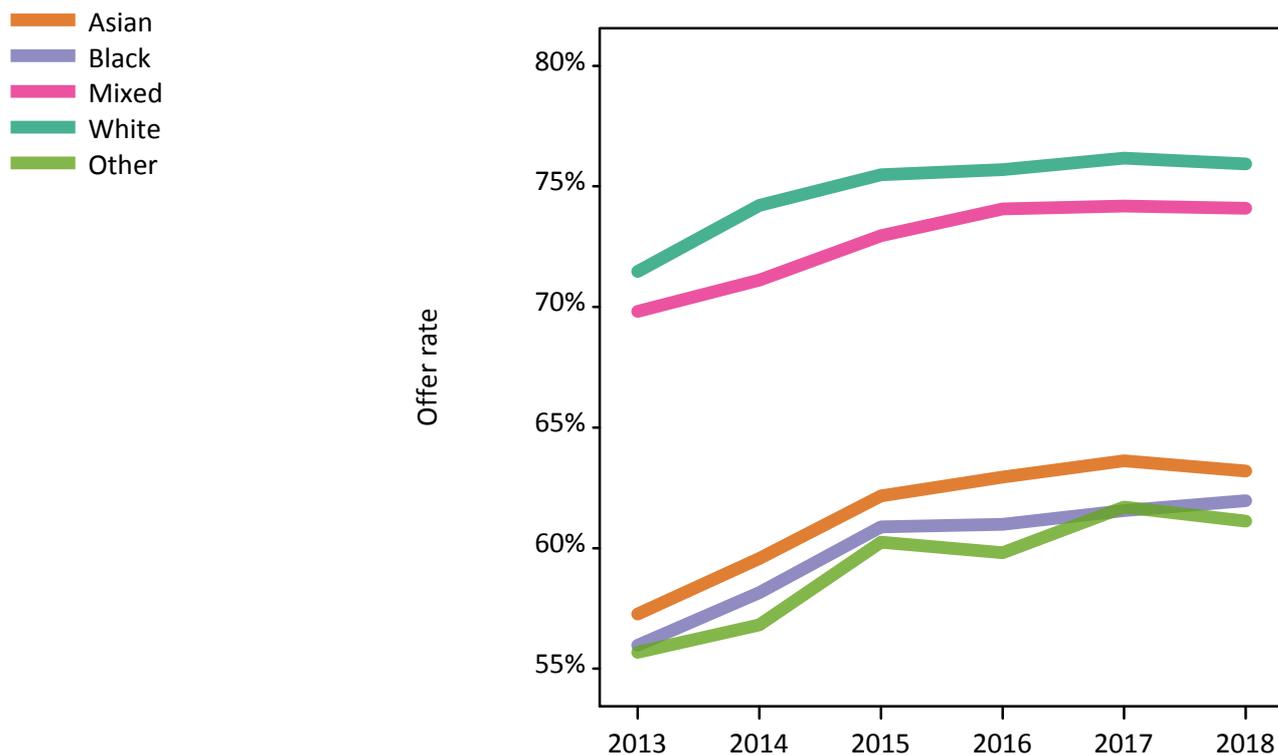
Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	15,495	16,695	18,390	19,905	22,090	23,970
	Black	5,235	5,865	6,620	7,300	7,885	8,695
	Mixed	5,440	5,905	6,665	7,155	8,110	8,230
	White	118,500	120,675	126,420	128,805	132,420	127,755
	Other	1,515	1,805	2,040	2,205	2,590	2,815
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	5,675	5,825	6,445	6,645	7,285	7,495
	Black	1,360	1,480	1,685	1,845	1,910	1,995
	Mixed	2,630	2,785	3,065	3,315	3,485	3,485
	White	57,140	57,370	59,490	59,820	59,440	57,375
	Other	510	610	690	670	790	795
All placed applicants	Asian	6,420	6,625	7,375	7,720	8,400	8,810
	Black	1,580	1,755	2,000	2,200	2,320	2,440
	Mixed	2,840	3,040	3,405	3,685	3,870	3,940
	White	60,605	61,150	63,610	64,260	64,035	62,230
	Other	585	715	800	795	930	950
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	2,349.7	2,462.1	2,598.6	2,765.9	3,002.7	3,231.3
	Black	1,762.9	1,935.4	2,080.2	2,331.4	2,505.8	2,788.6
	Mixed	2,012.0	2,052.5	2,161.4	2,273.5	2,527.1	2,549.3
	White	1,883.2	1,956.0	2,029.1	2,129.5	2,231.4	2,225.0
	Other	1,668.5	1,940.4	2,116.5	2,216.8	2,515.4	2,675.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	860.8	858.9	910.9	923.6	990.1	1,010.5
	Black	458.7	488.6	529.3	588.7	606.7	640.4
	Mixed	972.0	967.4	993.6	1,053.2	1,085.0	1,079.1
	White	908.1	929.9	954.8	989.0	1,001.6	999.3
	Other	562.4	657.5	713.8	673.3	768.9	758.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	973.6	976.9	1,042.0	1,072.7	1,141.9	1,187.9
	Black	532.5	579.6	628.3	703.3	737.6	783.1
	Mixed	1,050.4	1,056.3	1,104.5	1,171.4	1,206.2	1,220.3
	White	963.2	991.1	1,020.9	1,062.4	1,079.0	1,083.8
	Other	645.1	768.2	828.9	796.9	903.8	904.5

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	43,405	46,350	50,550	54,470	61,130	66,980
	Black	12,515	14,160	15,905	17,555	19,485	21,405
	Mixed	17,040	18,095	20,340	22,245	25,130	25,665
	White	353,560	358,685	374,080	381,125	393,485	382,075
	Other	4,135	5,100	5,545	5,920	7,185	7,700
Offers	Asian	24,860	27,615	31,430	34,285	38,890	42,335
	Black	7,005	8,235	9,685	10,705	11,995	13,265
	Mixed	11,900	12,865	14,840	16,475	18,645	19,015
	White	252,675	266,200	282,370	288,495	299,710	290,125
	Other	2,305	2,895	3,340	3,540	4,430	4,705
Offer rate	Asian	57.3%	59.6%	62.2%	62.9%	63.6%	63.2%
	Black	56.0%	58.1%	60.9%	61.0%	61.6%	62.0%
	Mixed	69.8%	71.1%	73.0%	74.1%	74.2%	74.1%
	White	71.5%	74.2%	75.5%	75.7%	76.2%	75.9%
	Other	55.7%	56.8%	60.2%	59.8%	61.7%	61.1%
Average offer rate	Asian	58.6%	61.2%	63.7%	64.2%	64.5%	64.2%
	Black	58.7%	61.1%	63.8%	64.0%	64.2%	64.2%
	Mixed	69.4%	71.5%	73.0%	73.5%	74.1%	73.5%
	White	71.2%	73.8%	75.1%	75.4%	75.9%	75.6%
	Other	57.7%	59.6%	63.0%	62.8%	64.1%	64.4%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-1.3	-1.6	-1.6	-1.2	-0.9	-0.9
	Black	-2.8	-3.0	-2.9	-3.0	-2.6	-2.2
	Mixed	0.4	-0.4	0.0	0.5	0.1	0.6
	White	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
	Other	-2.0	-2.8	-2.7	-3.0	-2.4	-3.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.268	0.262	0.262	0.265	0.268	0.270
	Black	0.143	0.144	0.132	0.137	0.134	0.122
	Mixed	0.104	0.101	0.103	0.106	0.107	0.093
	White	0.854	0.845	0.835	0.828	0.817	0.798
	Other	0.093	0.090	0.086	0.094	0.087	0.069

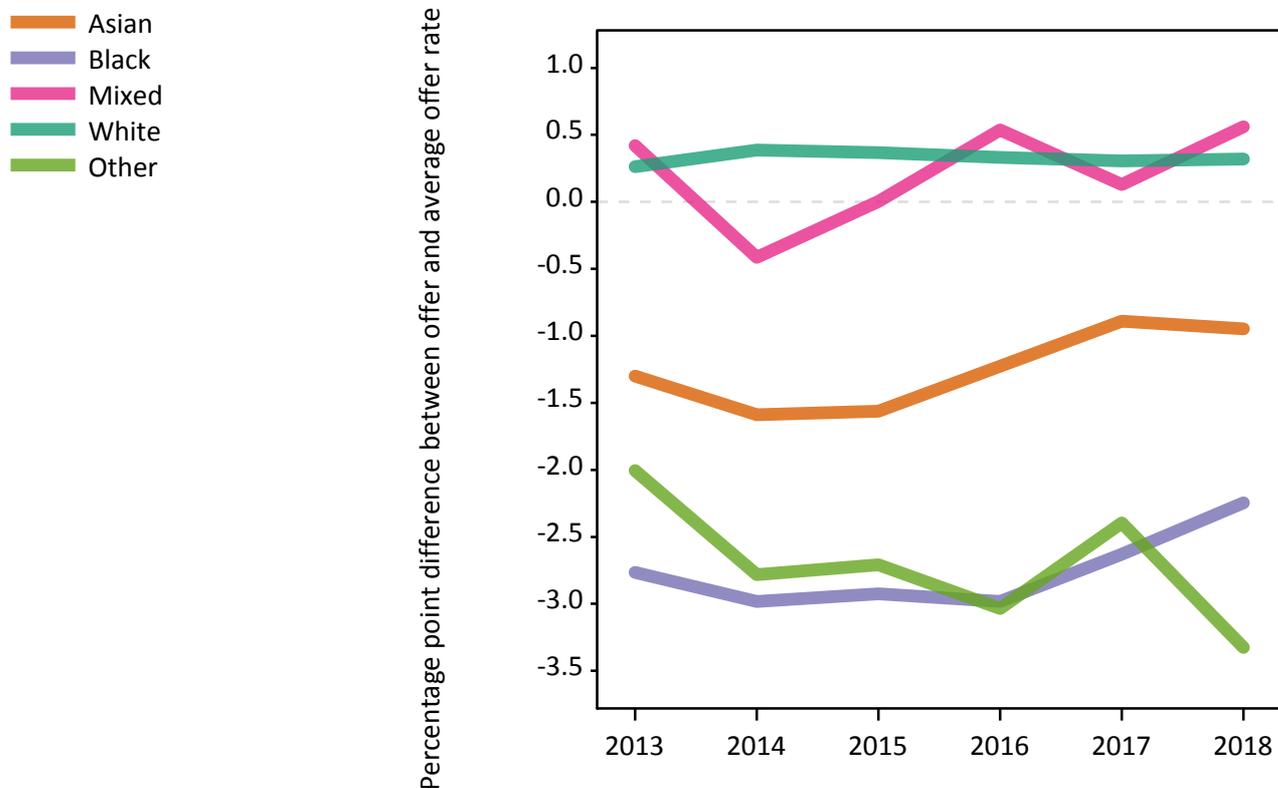
P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group

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P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	249,670	259,255	274,080	281,305	280,315	273,655
Placed June deadline applicants	95,085	97,425	103,420	105,500	105,260	103,075
All placed applicants	102,620	105,550	112,685	115,160	115,385	113,825

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	655,435	676,915	714,675	736,310	748,610	739,965
Offers	390,555	416,875	450,365	467,100	486,070	480,405
Offer rate	59.6%	61.6%	63.0%	63.4%	64.9%	64.9%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	109,105	112,495	118,415	120,155	121,495	118,295
	Women	140,560	146,760	155,665	161,150	158,820	155,360
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	43,845	44,365	46,425	46,380	46,930	45,675
	Women	51,240	53,055	56,995	59,120	58,330	57,395
All placed applicants	Men	47,310	48,220	50,685	50,960	51,630	50,765
	Women	55,305	57,335	62,000	64,200	63,755	63,060

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	304,290	311,290	327,005	332,490	340,555	335,045
	Women	351,145	365,625	387,670	403,820	408,055	404,920
Offers	Men	187,190	197,315	211,170	214,760	223,815	218,165
	Women	203,365	219,555	239,195	252,340	262,255	262,240
Offer rate	Men	61.5%	63.4%	64.6%	64.6%	65.7%	65.1%
	Women	57.9%	60.0%	61.7%	62.5%	64.3%	64.8%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	23,870	25,840	27,265	28,005	28,245	27,325
	Quintile 2	34,005	36,225	38,445	39,350	39,145	37,950
	Quintile 3	44,025	45,930	48,900	49,995	49,825	48,165
	Quintile 4	56,110	58,130	61,575	63,260	62,810	61,575
	Quintile 5	91,010	92,540	97,230	99,995	99,570	97,730
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	5,930	6,585	6,840	7,220	7,385	7,240
	Quintile 2	10,220	10,825	11,325	11,780	11,890	11,500
	Quintile 3	14,695	14,975	16,245	16,510	16,370	15,820
	Quintile 4	20,630	21,220	22,790	23,105	22,855	22,465
	Quintile 5	43,430	43,635	45,990	46,640	46,515	45,750
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	6,475	7,180	7,490	7,880	8,115	7,995
	Quintile 2	11,005	11,650	12,360	12,850	13,000	12,670
	Quintile 3	15,850	16,220	17,695	17,980	17,915	17,485
	Quintile 4	22,295	23,060	24,875	25,275	25,100	24,860
	Quintile 5	46,780	47,240	50,000	50,910	50,985	50,465

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	48,475	53,045	56,135	58,135	60,145	59,170
	Quintile 2	76,250	80,940	86,140	88,700	90,360	89,310
	Quintile 3	105,880	109,900	117,255	119,855	122,530	120,085
	Quintile 4	144,865	150,245	158,700	163,920	165,620	164,210
	Quintile 5	278,260	281,235	294,615	303,770	307,985	304,735
Offers	Quintile 1	23,830	27,210	29,725	31,645	34,420	34,030
	Quintile 2	41,440	45,850	49,600	51,855	54,605	54,220
	Quintile 3	59,970	64,330	70,555	72,740	75,745	74,870
	Quintile 4	84,960	91,820	99,355	102,730	106,495	105,410
	Quintile 5	179,535	186,855	200,155	207,105	213,695	210,475
Offer rate	Quintile 1	49.2%	51.3%	53.0%	54.4%	57.2%	57.5%
	Quintile 2	54.4%	56.6%	57.6%	58.5%	60.4%	60.7%
	Quintile 3	56.6%	58.5%	60.2%	60.7%	61.8%	62.3%
	Quintile 4	58.6%	61.1%	62.6%	62.7%	64.3%	64.2%
	Quintile 5	64.5%	66.4%	67.9%	68.2%	69.4%	69.1%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	28,390	30,520	33,110	34,950	36,250	37,855
	Black	16,065	17,080	18,330	19,220	18,410	18,155
	Mixed	9,575	10,390	11,580	12,250	12,890	13,045
	White	190,140	195,330	204,060	207,360	204,885	196,375
	Other	3,505	3,970	4,415	4,705	5,125	5,360
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	8,235	8,575	9,525	9,855	10,675	10,740
	Black	2,335	2,550	2,965	3,250	3,315	3,315
	Mixed	3,790	4,005	4,460	4,760	4,975	5,020
	White	79,120	80,600	84,340	85,485	83,895	81,580
	Other	885	1,005	1,125	1,175	1,340	1,335
All placed applicants	Asian	9,395	9,865	11,045	11,565	12,390	12,655
	Black	2,750	3,055	3,555	3,880	4,065	4,065
	Mixed	4,150	4,405	4,990	5,290	5,545	5,690
	White	84,385	86,235	90,570	91,925	90,570	88,560
	Other	1,030	1,190	1,335	1,380	1,590	1,605

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	72,245	77,000	82,820	87,215	92,710	99,135
	Black	30,275	33,000	35,775	37,765	38,035	38,550
	Mixed	26,335	28,305	31,425	33,685	36,320	37,415
	White	512,510	523,410	546,705	558,535	560,910	542,935
	Other	8,460	9,730	10,650	11,350	12,730	13,520
Offers	Asian	34,705	38,415	44,050	47,550	52,275	55,915
	Black	10,680	12,515	14,770	16,285	17,600	18,685
	Mixed	15,905	17,330	19,880	21,790	24,160	24,860
	White	322,765	341,455	362,380	371,595	380,810	369,190
	Other	3,660	4,385	5,140	5,615	6,660	6,955
Offer rate	Asian	48.0%	49.9%	53.2%	54.5%	56.4%	56.4%
	Black	35.3%	37.9%	41.3%	43.1%	46.3%	48.5%
	Mixed	60.4%	61.2%	63.3%	64.7%	66.5%	66.4%
	White	63.0%	65.2%	66.3%	66.5%	67.9%	68.0%
	Other	43.3%	45.1%	48.3%	49.5%	52.3%	51.4%

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.