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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	8,325	6,755	7,415	9,380	13,375	11,670
Placed June deadline applicants	1,400	1,340	1,570	1,805	2,135	1,755
All placed applicants	1,525	1,520	1,935	2,075	2,170	2,115
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	109.4	89.7	96.8	125.2	180.6	161.5
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	18.4	17.8	20.5	24.1	28.8	24.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	20.1	20.2	25.2	27.7	29.3	29.3

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	8,495	6,880	7,615	9,625	13,795	12,070
Offers	7,835	6,150	7,080	8,890	12,775	11,190
Offer rate	92.3%	89.4%	92.9%	92.3%	92.6%	92.7%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	3,660	3,050	3,180	4,205	6,085	5,190
	Women	4,665	3,705	4,235	5,175	7,290	6,480
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	545	545	625	715	890	765
	Women	855	790	950	1,090	1,245	990
All placed applicants	Men	595	630	805	850	905	935
	Women	930	895	1,125	1,220	1,260	1,180
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	93.7	78.7	81.0	109.5	160.3	140.1
	Women	125.9	101.2	113.4	141.6	201.9	184.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	14.0	14.1	15.9	18.6	23.5	20.7
	Women	23.0	21.6	25.4	29.8	34.4	28.1
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	15.3	16.2	20.6	22.2	23.9	25.2
	Women	25.1	24.4	30.2	33.4	35.0	33.5

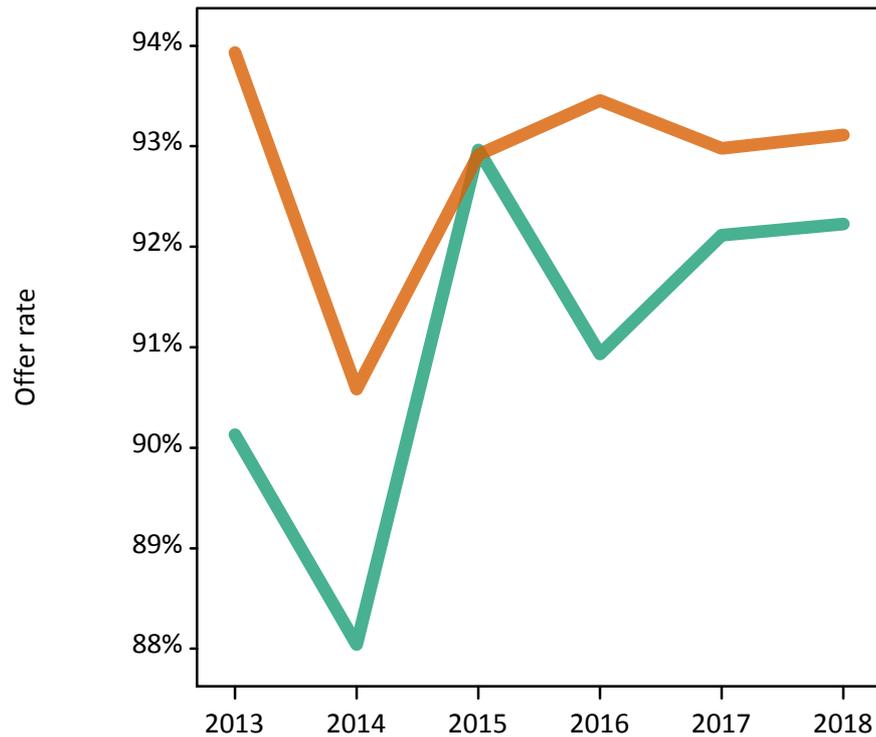
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	3,750	3,120	3,270	4,325	6,275	5,375
	Women	4,745	3,760	4,345	5,305	7,520	6,690
Offers	Men	3,380	2,745	3,040	3,930	5,780	4,960
	Women	4,460	3,405	4,040	4,955	6,990	6,230
Offer rate	Men	90.1%	88.0%	93.0%	90.9%	92.1%	92.2%
	Women	93.9%	90.6%	92.9%	93.5%	93.0%	93.1%
Average offer rate	Men	90.4%	88.4%	92.6%	91.2%	92.4%	92.7%
	Women	93.7%	90.3%	93.2%	93.2%	92.8%	92.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.2	-0.3	0.4	-0.3	-0.2	-0.4
	Women	0.2	0.3	-0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.598	0.629	0.611	0.606	0.590	0.583
	Women	0.682	0.692	0.708	0.679	0.658	0.665

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
Women



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	540	490	535	725	975	870
	Quintile 2	840	735	850	1,080	1,520	1,300
	Quintile 3	1,350	1,015	1,185	1,480	2,205	1,880
	Quintile 4	1,990	1,695	1,790	2,340	3,095	2,735
	Quintile 5	3,585	2,805	3,040	3,735	5,550	4,855
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	110	100	110	145	145	130
	Quintile 2	160	165	180	210	240	220
	Quintile 3	225	185	240	265	335	265
	Quintile 4	335	335	375	420	475	385
	Quintile 5	575	550	670	765	930	750
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	115	110	130	155	150	150
	Quintile 2	165	175	210	235	245	255
	Quintile 3	245	210	290	295	340	320
	Quintile 4	360	390	460	490	480	455
	Quintile 5	635	635	850	895	950	935
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	38.4	34.8	37.7	53.3	72.9	66.8
	Quintile 2	57.9	51.3	58.3	76.2	108.9	96.1
	Quintile 3	90.9	69.2	79.0	100.8	152.3	133.3
	Quintile 4	129.0	111.2	115.6	153.6	204.7	185.2
	Quintile 5	208.1	165.0	175.0	216.5	323.6	288.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	7.7	7.1	7.6	10.6	11.0	10.0
	Quintile 2	11.0	11.4	12.3	14.9	17.3	16.2
	Quintile 3	15.0	12.8	15.9	18.0	23.1	18.7
	Quintile 4	21.6	22.0	24.3	27.4	31.5	26.2
	Quintile 5	33.3	32.4	38.5	44.3	54.2	44.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	8.2	8.0	9.1	11.3	11.1	11.4
	Quintile 2	11.4	12.1	14.3	16.7	17.6	18.7
	Quintile 3	16.3	14.3	19.2	20.1	23.5	22.7
	Quintile 4	23.5	25.5	29.6	32.2	31.7	30.8
	Quintile 5	36.9	37.4	48.8	51.9	55.4	55.4

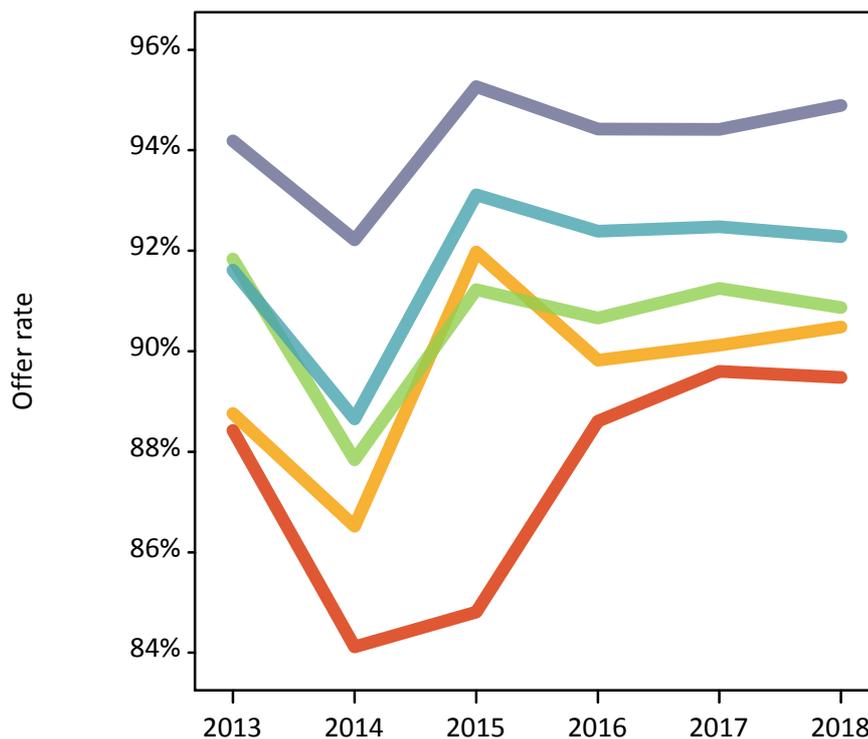
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	555	510	555	745	1,030	920
	Quintile 2	870	750	885	1,130	1,570	1,365
	Quintile 3	1,370	1,030	1,210	1,520	2,275	1,930
	Quintile 4	2,025	1,725	1,830	2,390	3,175	2,810
	Quintile 5	3,650	2,850	3,125	3,820	5,715	5,010
Offers	Quintile 1	490	430	470	660	920	825
	Quintile 2	775	650	815	1,015	1,415	1,235
	Quintile 3	1,260	905	1,100	1,380	2,075	1,750
	Quintile 4	1,855	1,530	1,705	2,210	2,940	2,595
	Quintile 5	3,435	2,630	2,975	3,605	5,395	4,755
Offer rate	Quintile 1	88.4%	84.1%	84.8%	88.6%	89.6%	89.5%
	Quintile 2	88.8%	86.5%	92.0%	89.8%	90.1%	90.5%
	Quintile 3	91.8%	87.8%	91.2%	90.7%	91.3%	90.9%
	Quintile 4	91.6%	88.7%	93.1%	92.4%	92.5%	92.3%
	Quintile 5	94.2%	92.2%	95.3%	94.4%	94.4%	94.9%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	88.7%	86.9%	87.8%	88.9%	89.7%	90.4%
	Quintile 2	89.4%	85.9%	91.1%	90.0%	90.8%	90.5%
	Quintile 3	91.6%	87.8%	91.7%	91.2%	91.9%	91.9%
	Quintile 4	91.7%	89.2%	93.1%	92.1%	92.4%	92.5%
	Quintile 5	94.1%	91.6%	94.8%	94.3%	94.0%	94.2%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-0.3	-2.8	-3.0	-0.3	-0.1	-0.9
	Quintile 2	-0.6	0.6	0.8	-0.1	-0.7	-0.0
	Quintile 3	0.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.5	-0.7	-1.0
	Quintile 4	-0.0	-0.6	-0.0	0.3	0.1	-0.2
	Quintile 5	0.1	0.7	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.7
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.153	0.181	0.164	0.161	0.146	0.127
	Quintile 2	0.183	0.200	0.211	0.185	0.172	0.166
	Quintile 3	0.227	0.232	0.242	0.227	0.209	0.201
	Quintile 4	0.297	0.324	0.323	0.305	0.276	0.269
	Quintile 5	0.487	0.486	0.475	0.454	0.456	0.453

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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.

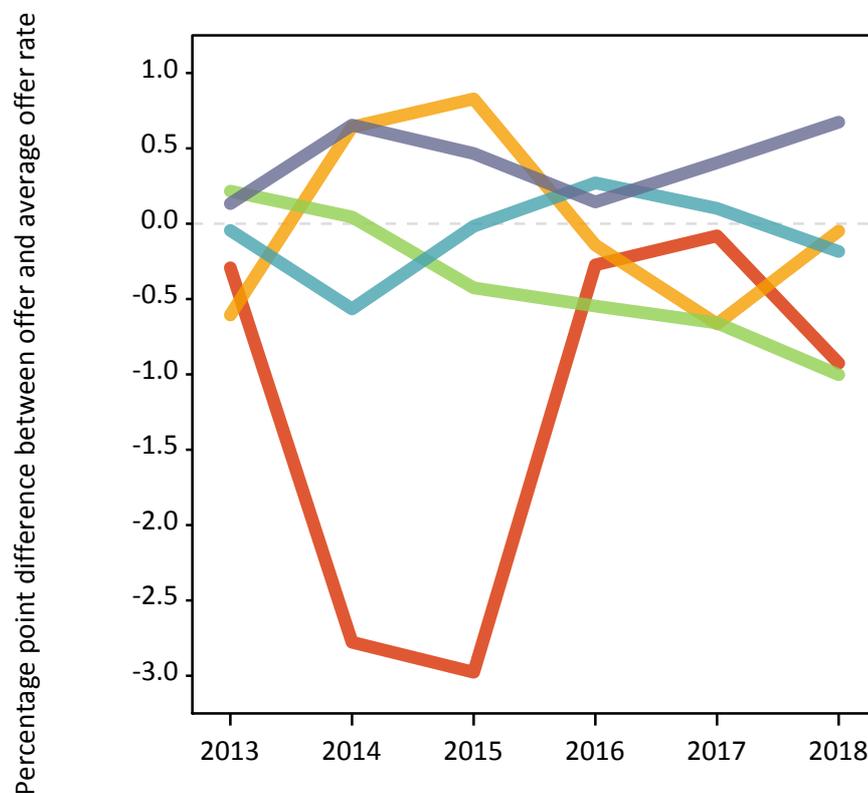
- Quintile 1
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- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



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	500	475	455	740	1,250	1,020
	Black	505	440	430	630	780	745
	Mixed	485	430	450	580	910	775
	White	6,675	5,260	5,915	7,190	10,140	8,845
	Other	120	115	115	170	240	200
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	60	65	75	95	140	115
	Black	85	50	75	70	85	60
	Mixed	80	90	90	115	160	130
	White	1,150	1,100	1,300	1,485	1,710	1,410
	Other	20	20	25	25	30	30
All placed applicants	Asian	75	80	110	135	140	165
	Black	95	60	100	95	85	95
	Mixed	80	105	125	130	160	165
	White	1,240	1,240	1,555	1,670	1,740	1,635
	Other	25	25	30	30	30	45
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	75.5	70.2	64.1	102.7	169.6	137.5
	Black	169.8	145.5	134.8	201.5	248.5	239.2
	Mixed	180.1	149.5	145.3	185.0	283.2	240.3
	White	106.1	85.2	94.9	118.9	170.8	154.1
	Other	130.1	122.5	120.3	168.8	232.0	189.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	9.1	9.9	10.5	13.5	18.8	15.2
	Black	29.0	16.2	23.6	22.7	26.4	19.9
	Mixed	28.8	31.6	29.2	36.2	49.5	40.6
	White	18.3	17.8	20.9	24.5	28.8	24.5
	Other	19.9	23.6	23.9	27.1	31.1	29.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	11.5	11.9	15.3	18.5	19.0	22.1
	Black	32.0	20.5	32.0	31.0	26.4	30.8
	Mixed	30.0	35.8	41.2	41.6	50.2	50.5
	White	19.7	20.1	24.9	27.6	29.4	28.5
	Other	26.5	26.9	32.2	32.2	31.1	42.8

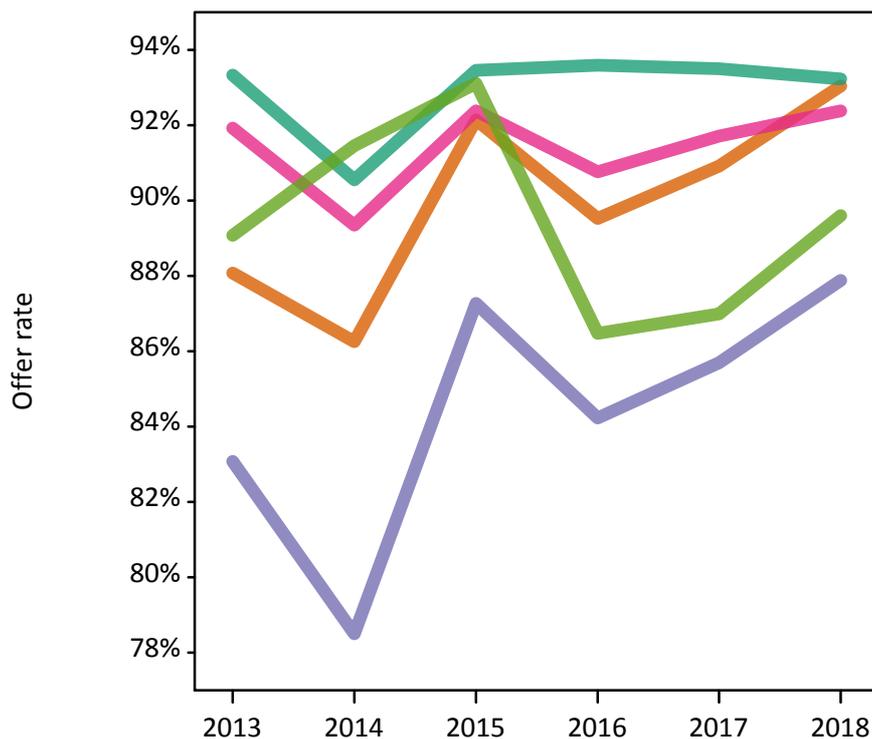
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	505	480	460	755	1,275	1,035
	Black	515	440	430	635	790	760
	Mixed	495	440	460	595	940	800
	White	6,815	5,360	6,095	7,395	10,485	9,185
	Other	120	115	115	170	245	200
Offers	Asian	445	415	420	675	1,160	960
	Black	425	345	375	535	675	665
	Mixed	455	395	425	540	865	740
	White	6,360	4,855	5,695	6,925	9,800	8,565
	Other	105	105	110	145	215	180
Offer rate	Asian	88.1%	86.3%	92.1%	89.5%	90.9%	93.0%
	Black	83.1%	78.5%	87.3%	84.2%	85.7%	87.9%
	Mixed	91.9%	89.3%	92.4%	90.8%	91.7%	92.4%
	White	93.3%	90.5%	93.5%	93.6%	93.5%	93.2%
	Other	89.1%	91.5%	93.1%	86.5%	87.0%	89.6%
Average offer rate	Asian	87.7%	86.6%	92.2%	90.0%	91.0%	92.2%
	Black	85.3%	81.2%	88.5%	86.9%	88.3%	88.9%
	Mixed	91.3%	87.7%	92.8%	91.7%	92.6%	93.3%
	White	93.2%	90.5%	93.3%	93.2%	93.2%	93.1%
	Other	91.6%	89.7%	90.8%	89.0%	88.4%	91.7%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	0.4	-0.3	-0.1	-0.5	-0.1	0.8
	Black	-2.2	-2.7	-1.3	-2.7	-2.6	-1.0
	Mixed	0.7	1.7	-0.4	-0.9	-0.9	-1.0
	White	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.1
	Other	-2.5	1.8	2.3	-2.5	-1.4	-2.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.167	0.201	0.167	0.196	0.170	0.156
	Black	0.198	0.207	0.172	0.177	0.123	0.140
	Mixed	0.137	0.174	0.152	0.136	0.125	0.108
	White	0.831	0.814	0.828	0.801	0.786	0.784
	Other	0.086	0.129	0.117	0.113	0.078	0.061

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	12,505	10,890	11,605	14,490	19,325	17,040
Placed June deadline applicants	2,220	2,220	2,510	2,910	3,280	2,845
All placed applicants	2,435	2,525	3,080	3,305	3,350	3,375

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	12,965	11,295	12,105	15,125	20,195	17,940
Offers	10,965	9,190	10,410	12,830	17,340	15,395
Offer rate	84.6%	81.4%	86.0%	84.9%	85.8%	85.8%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	5,860	5,180	5,465	6,920	9,210	7,840
	Women	6,645	5,710	6,140	7,570	10,115	9,200
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	965	990	1,115	1,285	1,465	1,275
	Women	1,255	1,235	1,395	1,625	1,815	1,565
All placed applicants	Men	1,065	1,135	1,410	1,500	1,495	1,525
	Women	1,370	1,395	1,670	1,810	1,855	1,850

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	6,090	5,405	5,715	7,235	9,625	8,250
	Women	6,875	5,890	6,390	7,890	10,570	9,690
Offers	Men	5,010	4,290	4,870	6,015	8,145	7,000
	Women	5,955	4,900	5,545	6,815	9,195	8,395
Offer rate	Men	82.2%	79.3%	85.2%	83.1%	84.6%	84.8%
	Women	86.7%	83.2%	86.8%	86.4%	87.0%	86.7%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	950	880	940	1,250	1,585	1,405
	Quintile 2	1,355	1,240	1,370	1,690	2,235	1,975
	Quintile 3	1,990	1,650	1,865	2,310	3,170	2,800
	Quintile 4	2,995	2,700	2,795	3,555	4,475	4,000
	Quintile 5	5,175	4,405	4,615	5,650	7,810	6,805
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	175	180	205	255	265	245
	Quintile 2	265	280	285	340	385	355
	Quintile 3	360	300	385	440	495	440
	Quintile 4	520	550	575	665	725	640
	Quintile 5	900	910	1,055	1,205	1,405	1,160
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	185	205	235	270	270	275
	Quintile 2	280	305	335	385	390	405
	Quintile 3	400	350	465	490	510	520
	Quintile 4	565	625	695	770	735	755
	Quintile 5	1,005	1,040	1,345	1,385	1,435	1,410

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	995	935	1,000	1,330	1,715	1,535
	Quintile 2	1,435	1,305	1,465	1,815	2,345	2,095
	Quintile 3	2,050	1,700	1,920	2,395	3,295	2,925
	Quintile 4	3,085	2,795	2,890	3,680	4,645	4,200
	Quintile 5	5,350	4,540	4,810	5,860	8,140	7,135
Offers	Quintile 1	745	675	765	1,060	1,340	1,225
	Quintile 2	1,140	990	1,200	1,475	1,950	1,745
	Quintile 3	1,710	1,340	1,610	1,980	2,780	2,440
	Quintile 4	2,600	2,245	2,485	3,130	3,990	3,570
	Quintile 5	4,735	3,925	4,340	5,145	7,230	6,375
Offer rate	Quintile 1	74.8%	72.5%	76.3%	79.7%	78.0%	79.8%
	Quintile 2	79.4%	75.8%	81.9%	81.4%	83.2%	83.3%
	Quintile 3	83.4%	78.8%	83.8%	82.7%	84.3%	83.5%
	Quintile 4	84.2%	80.3%	85.9%	85.1%	85.9%	85.0%
	Quintile 5	88.5%	86.4%	90.2%	87.8%	88.9%	89.3%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	835	800	840	1,290	1,880	1,565
	Black	890	850	810	1,115	1,345	1,155
	Mixed	770	690	745	930	1,335	1,180
	White	9,695	8,275	8,855	10,700	14,205	12,620
	Other	215	200	230	315	435	375
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	100	105	125	170	215	170
	Black	125	95	125	140	135	110
	Mixed	140	145	165	205	245	205
	White	1,795	1,815	2,035	2,320	2,605	2,275
	Other	35	40	40	45	55	65
All placed applicants	Asian	125	130	185	225	220	245
	Black	145	120	170	180	135	165
	Mixed	150	165	220	230	245	245
	White	1,940	2,035	2,410	2,590	2,660	2,600
	Other	50	50	55	50	60	90

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	850	815	855	1,320	1,930	1,590
	Black	915	870	820	1,130	1,370	1,185
	Mixed	790	720	765	970	1,400	1,225
	White	10,085	8,595	9,295	11,225	14,925	13,400
	Other	215	215	240	325	445	385
Offers	Asian	700	660	720	1,080	1,620	1,340
	Black	645	575	625	845	1,015	925
	Mixed	665	595	655	810	1,195	1,045
	White	8,685	7,120	8,100	9,730	13,045	11,655
	Other	170	170	205	255	360	305
Offer rate	Asian	82.7%	81.1%	84.2%	82.0%	84.1%	84.3%
	Black	70.6%	66.4%	76.3%	75.1%	74.0%	78.2%
	Mixed	84.5%	82.4%	85.3%	83.2%	85.3%	85.4%
	White	86.1%	82.9%	87.1%	86.7%	87.4%	87.0%
	Other	78.7%	79.2%	85.7%	77.4%	80.9%	78.9%

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.