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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 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	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	7,100	5,925	6,775	6,325	6,605	6,030
Placed June deadline applicants	1,105	985	1,115	925	1,225	1,115
All placed applicants	1,350	1,310	1,340	1,140	1,390	1,285
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	94.2	77.3	90.4	85.4	91.4	85.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	14.6	12.9	14.9	12.5	16.9	15.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	17.9	17.1	17.9	15.4	19.2	18.2

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	7,395	6,190	7,035	6,575	6,855	6,360
Offers	5,815	4,590	5,385	5,415	5,830	5,410
Offer rate	78.7%	74.2%	76.6%	82.3%	85.0%	85.1%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	2,390	1,895	2,400	2,010	2,055	1,905
	Women	4,710	4,030	4,375	4,315	4,550	4,120
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	385	340	395	290	425	365
	Women	720	645	720	630	795	750
All placed applicants	Men	475	470	480	345	485	425
	Women	875	840	860	795	905	860
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	61.7	48.3	62.5	52.9	55.4	52.6
	Women	128.6	107.8	119.7	119.6	129.3	119.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	9.9	8.7	10.3	7.7	11.5	10.1
	Women	19.6	17.3	19.6	17.5	22.7	21.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	12.2	11.9	12.4	9.1	13.1	11.7
	Women	23.9	22.5	23.6	22.1	25.7	24.9

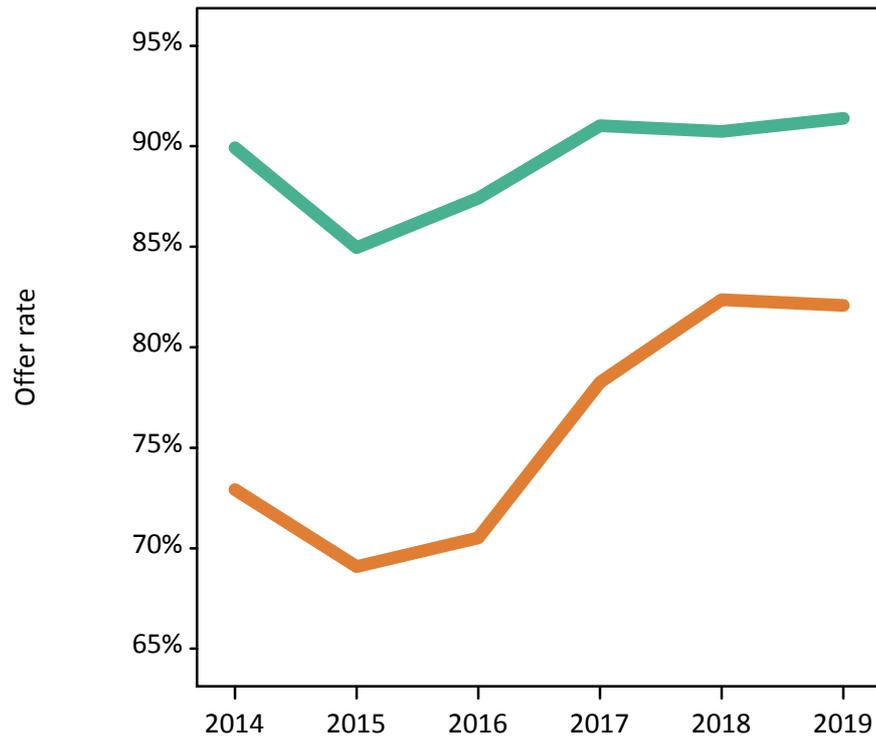
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	2,500	1,985	2,520	2,085	2,160	2,045
	Women	4,890	4,200	4,515	4,495	4,695	4,315
Offers	Men	2,250	1,690	2,200	1,895	1,960	1,870
	Women	3,565	2,905	3,185	3,515	3,870	3,540
Offer rate	Men	89.9%	85.0%	87.4%	91.0%	90.7%	91.4%
	Women	72.9%	69.1%	70.5%	78.3%	82.4%	82.1%
Average offer rate	Men	90.0%	84.6%	86.4%	91.1%	90.9%	91.2%
	Women	72.9%	69.3%	71.1%	78.2%	82.3%	82.2%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.0	0.4	1.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.2
	Women	0.0	-0.2	-0.6	0.0	0.1	-0.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.574	0.573	0.583	0.566	0.563	0.571
	Women	0.782	0.798	0.768	0.799	0.799	0.797

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 2014-2019.

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 2014-2019.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	975	750	845	880	865	855
	Quintile 2	1,255	1,050	1,220	1,130	1,175	1,055
	Quintile 3	1,620	1,380	1,560	1,465	1,505	1,440
	Quintile 4	1,640	1,475	1,690	1,595	1,695	1,575
	Quintile 5	1,600	1,260	1,435	1,230	1,340	1,050
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	175	135	140	130	185	185
	Quintile 2	175	165	185	165	225	200
	Quintile 3	280	230	305	215	300	280
	Quintile 4	265	260	290	250	320	285
	Quintile 5	210	190	195	160	195	155
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	195	165	165	155	200	210
	Quintile 2	225	215	220	200	255	225
	Quintile 3	330	310	360	275	340	325
	Quintile 4	335	360	355	320	370	335
	Quintile 5	260	260	235	190	220	175
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	69.4	53.1	62.2	65.8	66.7	67.6
	Quintile 2	87.5	71.9	86.0	80.9	86.9	80.0
	Quintile 3	110.8	92.0	106.4	101.0	106.7	104.4
	Quintile 4	107.4	95.4	110.9	105.6	114.8	108.8
	Quintile 5	94.0	72.5	83.2	71.8	79.4	63.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	12.3	9.5	10.2	9.9	14.1	14.4
	Quintile 2	12.1	11.4	12.9	11.7	16.6	15.2
	Quintile 3	19.1	15.5	20.7	14.9	21.3	20.2
	Quintile 4	17.3	16.9	18.9	16.5	21.6	19.6
	Quintile 5	12.3	11.0	11.2	9.3	11.5	9.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	13.7	11.5	12.0	11.7	15.5	16.7
	Quintile 2	15.6	14.7	15.6	14.3	19.0	17.0
	Quintile 3	22.7	20.7	24.5	18.8	24.0	23.4
	Quintile 4	22.0	23.2	23.2	21.2	24.9	23.2
	Quintile 5	15.3	14.9	13.6	11.0	13.2	10.4

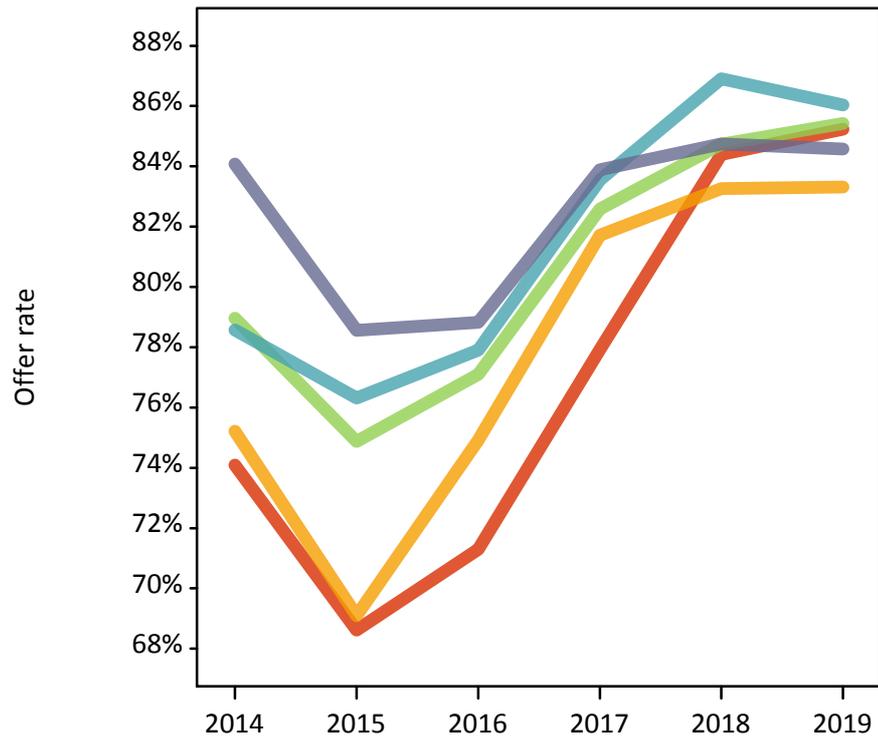
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,025	805	890	925	930	920
	Quintile 2	1,305	1,100	1,270	1,175	1,230	1,115
	Quintile 3	1,700	1,445	1,615	1,540	1,550	1,515
	Quintile 4	1,710	1,540	1,755	1,655	1,750	1,670
	Quintile 5	1,645	1,290	1,480	1,260	1,370	1,090
Offers	Quintile 1	760	550	635	720	785	785
	Quintile 2	985	760	955	960	1,025	930
	Quintile 3	1,345	1,080	1,245	1,270	1,315	1,295
	Quintile 4	1,340	1,175	1,370	1,380	1,520	1,435
	Quintile 5	1,385	1,015	1,165	1,055	1,160	920
Offer rate	Quintile 1	74.1%	68.6%	71.3%	77.9%	84.4%	85.2%
	Quintile 2	75.2%	69.1%	74.9%	81.7%	83.3%	83.3%
	Quintile 3	79.0%	74.9%	77.1%	82.6%	84.7%	85.4%
	Quintile 4	78.6%	76.3%	77.9%	83.5%	86.9%	86.0%
	Quintile 5	84.1%	78.6%	78.8%	83.9%	84.7%	84.6%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	75.0%	71.0%	74.2%	79.9%	83.8%	84.7%
	Quintile 2	76.3%	71.6%	74.9%	81.0%	84.1%	84.5%
	Quintile 3	78.7%	74.0%	76.5%	82.5%	84.9%	84.7%
	Quintile 4	78.6%	75.1%	78.0%	83.5%	86.3%	85.8%
	Quintile 5	82.9%	77.5%	77.7%	83.3%	84.9%	85.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-0.9	-2.4	-2.9	-2.0	0.6	0.5
	Quintile 2	-1.1	-2.5	0.0	0.7	-0.9	-1.2
	Quintile 3	0.2	0.9	0.6	0.1	-0.2	0.8
	Quintile 4	-0.0	1.2	-0.1	0.1	0.7	0.3
	Quintile 5	1.2	1.1	1.1	0.5	-0.2	-0.7
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.210	0.217	0.211	0.221	0.212	0.232
	Quintile 2	0.247	0.259	0.247	0.248	0.245	0.255
	Quintile 3	0.293	0.307	0.297	0.302	0.301	0.309
	Quintile 4	0.297	0.324	0.322	0.322	0.321	0.329
	Quintile 5	0.314	0.299	0.289	0.285	0.288	0.262

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 2014-2019.

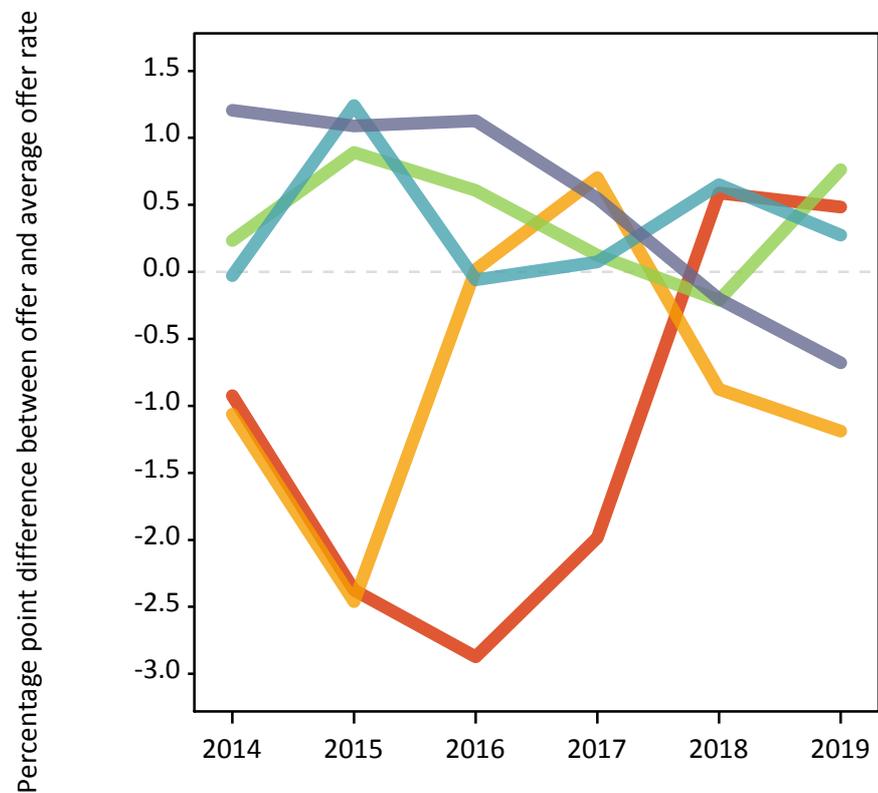
- Quintile 1
- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by 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 2014-2019.

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



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	5,245	4,230	4,560	4,045	4,100	3,625
	Black	825	870	1,145	1,300	1,390	1,390
	Asian	650	515	635	585	675	560
	Mixed	290	240	340	300	345	330
	Other	70	45	65	75	75	85
Placed June deadline applicants	White	815	680	685	535	725	690
	Black	135	170	270	270	320	255
	Asian	90	90	90	70	85	95
	Mixed	45	35	50	40	75	60
	Other	10	5	10	5	10	10
All placed applicants	White	930	825	790	625	810	770
	Black	220	290	355	355	375	310
	Asian	130	125	115	90	105	115
	Mixed	55	50	60	60	85	70
	Other	15	15	15	10	10	15
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	85.0	67.9	75.4	68.1	71.8	65.6
	Black	271.5	272.7	366.4	413.7	431.7	421.9
	Asian	95.7	72.6	88.2	79.5	89.2	72.1
	Mixed	101.5	78.2	108.0	93.5	105.8	100.6
	Other	76.3	47.7	66.3	71.8	68.0	74.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	13.2	10.9	11.3	9.0	12.7	12.5
	Black	45.2	53.4	86.9	85.2	99.2	77.6
	Asian	13.3	13.0	12.5	9.2	11.2	12.2
	Mixed	16.0	11.7	16.2	12.8	23.7	18.2
	Other	11.8	5.2	12.1	6.8	9.3	8.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	White	15.0	13.2	13.0	10.5	14.1	13.9
	Black	72.9	91.1	113.4	112.2	117.3	94.3
	Asian	18.9	17.8	15.7	12.1	13.6	15.0
	Mixed	18.8	15.9	19.7	18.7	25.9	21.3
	Other	14.0	13.5	14.1	7.8	9.3	12.5

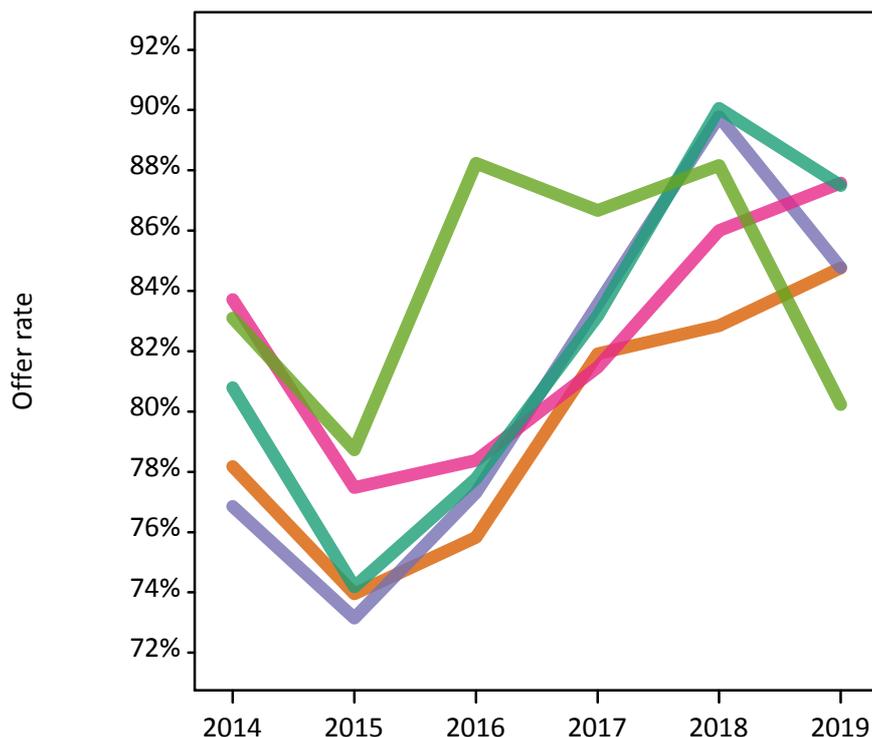
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	5,500	4,425	4,780	4,225	4,290	3,865
	Black	840	875	1,160	1,330	1,410	1,425
	Asian	665	565	650	610	700	605
	Mixed	300	245	350	315	350	345
	Other	70	45	70	75	75	85
Offers	White	4,300	3,275	3,625	3,460	3,555	3,275
	Black	645	640	895	1,110	1,265	1,210
	Asian	555	435	510	495	600	530
	Mixed	245	180	275	260	315	300
	Other	60	35	60	65	65	70
Offer rate	White	78.2%	74.0%	75.8%	81.9%	82.8%	84.8%
	Black	76.8%	73.1%	77.3%	83.5%	89.8%	84.8%
	Asian	83.7%	77.5%	78.4%	81.5%	86.0%	87.6%
	Mixed	80.8%	74.2%	77.8%	83.2%	90.1%	87.5%
	Other	83.1%	78.7%	88.2%	86.7%	88.2%	80.2%
Average offer rate	White	77.6%	73.7%	75.5%	81.5%	83.2%	84.7%
	Black	78.7%	73.4%	78.0%	83.3%	89.3%	85.3%
	Asian	83.9%	78.0%	79.6%	84.4%	86.0%	86.8%
	Mixed	83.4%	75.2%	78.1%	84.4%	86.8%	86.2%
	Other	86.6%	80.8%	85.0%	87.0%	88.1%	83.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	White	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.4	-0.4	0.1
	Black	-1.9	-0.3	-0.7	0.3	0.5	-0.5
	Asian	-0.2	-0.5	-1.3	-2.9	0.0	0.8
	Mixed	-2.6	-1.1	-0.3	-1.2	3.2	1.3
	Other	-3.5	N/A	3.2	-0.3	0.1	-3.6
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	White	0.783	0.767	0.734	0.715	0.701	0.687
	Black	0.228	0.276	0.294	0.340	0.337	0.348
	Asian	0.194	0.225	0.192	0.192	0.202	0.202
	Mixed	0.123	0.128	0.125	0.129	0.134	0.135
	Other	0.108	0.110	0.084	0.079	0.153	0.084

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 2014-2019.

- White
- Black
- Asian
- Mixed
- 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 2014-2019.

- White
- Black
- Asian
- Mixed
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	14,900	13,015	14,320	12,650	12,310	11,205
Placed June deadline applicants	2,585	2,385	2,650	2,165	2,560	2,305
All placed applicants	3,230	3,175	3,230	2,770	3,015	2,795

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	16,100	13,920	15,305	13,565	13,150	12,100
Offers	10,560	8,635	9,825	9,700	10,100	9,340
Offer rate	65.6%	62.0%	64.2%	71.5%	76.8%	77.2%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	5,015	4,280	4,970	4,160	3,980	3,630
	Women	9,880	8,740	9,355	8,490	8,330	7,575
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	925	840	945	725	900	755
	Women	1,660	1,545	1,705	1,440	1,660	1,550
All placed applicants	Men	1,185	1,180	1,190	930	1,075	945
	Women	2,045	1,995	2,040	1,840	1,945	1,845

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	5,445	4,600	5,360	4,445	4,315	3,950
	Women	10,655	9,320	9,945	9,120	8,840	8,145
Offers	Men	4,235	3,340	4,025	3,615	3,575	3,320
	Women	6,330	5,300	5,800	6,085	6,525	6,020
Offer rate	Men	77.8%	72.6%	75.1%	81.3%	82.8%	84.0%
	Women	59.4%	56.8%	58.3%	66.7%	73.9%	73.9%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,305	1,975	2,160	1,915	1,875	1,815
	Quintile 2	2,785	2,445	2,665	2,355	2,265	2,025
	Quintile 3	3,430	2,995	3,285	2,940	2,780	2,595
	Quintile 4	3,390	3,070	3,475	3,150	3,015	2,790
	Quintile 5	2,965	2,510	2,690	2,235	2,320	1,870
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	430	385	375	340	425	425
	Quintile 2	435	440	520	395	490	415
	Quintile 3	655	560	645	530	615	555
	Quintile 4	625	575	665	560	640	575
	Quintile 5	440	420	425	325	380	310
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	510	480	460	425	495	505
	Quintile 2	560	580	625	515	570	505
	Quintile 3	790	755	785	680	715	680
	Quintile 4	785	790	810	735	770	700
	Quintile 5	570	560	530	405	450	370

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,560	2,180	2,355	2,100	2,060	2,015
	Quintile 2	3,005	2,640	2,865	2,570	2,465	2,195
	Quintile 3	3,750	3,230	3,540	3,170	2,965	2,805
	Quintile 4	3,655	3,250	3,690	3,345	3,185	3,000
	Quintile 5	3,100	2,600	2,805	2,320	2,410	1,965
Offers	Quintile 1	1,485	1,170	1,320	1,370	1,530	1,495
	Quintile 2	1,845	1,530	1,770	1,835	1,815	1,630
	Quintile 3	2,470	2,000	2,230	2,220	2,265	2,195
	Quintile 4	2,455	2,115	2,480	2,455	2,550	2,380
	Quintile 5	2,285	1,800	1,990	1,770	1,895	1,555
Offer rate	Quintile 1	58.0%	53.7%	56.1%	65.1%	74.2%	74.2%
	Quintile 2	61.4%	58.0%	61.8%	71.3%	73.7%	74.2%
	Quintile 3	65.9%	62.0%	63.0%	70.1%	76.5%	78.3%
	Quintile 4	67.2%	65.0%	67.2%	73.5%	80.0%	79.4%
	Quintile 5	73.7%	69.3%	71.0%	76.4%	78.6%	79.1%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	9,955	8,285	8,665	7,195	6,915	6,065
	Black	2,750	2,855	3,440	3,450	3,365	3,290
	Asian	1,345	1,155	1,315	1,160	1,175	1,005
	Mixed	625	510	660	615	600	605
	Other	160	125	155	160	175	160
Placed June deadline applicants	White	1,780	1,535	1,580	1,205	1,425	1,345
	Black	470	520	710	670	760	640
	Asian	200	205	205	145	180	170
	Mixed	105	95	115	110	145	120
	Other	20	20	25	15	30	20
All placed applicants	White	2,080	1,865	1,840	1,455	1,655	1,575
	Black	685	825	925	930	910	805
	Asian	295	295	265	190	220	230
	Mixed	125	130	150	140	170	150
	Other	25	35	30	30	30	25

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	10,795	8,880	9,350	7,770	7,450	6,650
	Black	2,980	3,020	3,615	3,655	3,560	3,465
	Asian	1,395	1,250	1,385	1,220	1,235	1,080
	Mixed	685	530	705	675	635	640
	Other	175	135	160	165	180	170
Offers	White	7,345	5,825	6,240	5,745	5,680	5,195
	Black	1,580	1,510	2,005	2,370	2,670	2,555
	Asian	1,030	810	940	900	1,010	875
	Mixed	460	345	480	505	520	515
	Other	110	85	105	130	145	140
Offer rate	White	68.0%	65.6%	66.7%	73.9%	76.3%	78.1%
	Black	53.0%	50.1%	55.5%	64.8%	75.0%	73.8%
	Asian	73.9%	65.0%	67.8%	73.6%	81.6%	81.1%
	Mixed	66.7%	65.4%	68.1%	75.2%	82.3%	80.4%
	Other	64.2%	61.3%	65.4%	78.5%	80.9%	81.7%

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 2019 cycle runs from September 2018 through to October 2019.

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 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 2019 End of Cycle Report and the 2019 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.