# Sex, area background and ethnic group



## **B22 University of Bedfordshire**

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Reporting groups: Sex, POLAR3, ethnic group

**Applicant statistics:** June deadline applicants, placed June deadline applicants, all placed applicants, June deadline applicants per 10,000 population, placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population, all placed applicants per 10,000 population

**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

Non-disclosure controls: To avoid the disclosure of information about any individual the following measures are taken

- 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	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	7,010	6,760	5,560	5,435	5,105	4,530
Placed June deadline applicants	1,415	1,095	805	760	625	555
All placed applicants	1,880	1,450	1,085	990	835	795
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	91.0	87.4	73.0	72.2	66.6	60.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	18.3	14.2	10.6	10.1	8.2	7.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	24.4	18.8	14.2	13.1	10.9	10.6

## P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	7,605	7,240	5,970	5,795	5,440	4,810
Offers	5,805	5,460	4,665	4,575	4,255	3,865
Offer rate	76.3%	75.4%	78.2%	78.9%	78.2%	80.4%

## P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	2,800	2,460	2,135	2,100	1,850	1,660
	Women	4,210	4,300	3,425	3,335	3,255	2,870
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	605	410	320	325	245	220
	Women	805	685	490	435	385	335
All placed applicants	Men	785	555	405	405	310	290
	Women	1,095	895	680	585	525	505
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	71.2	62.0	54.6	54.2	47.2	43.2
population	Women	111.8	114.1	92.4	91.2	87.0	78.6
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	15.4	10.4	8.1	8.4	6.2	5.7
10,000 population	Women	21.4	18.1	13.2	11.8	10.2	9.2
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	19.9	14.0	10.4	10.5	7.9	7.5
population	Women	29.1	23.8	18.3	15.9	14.1	13.8

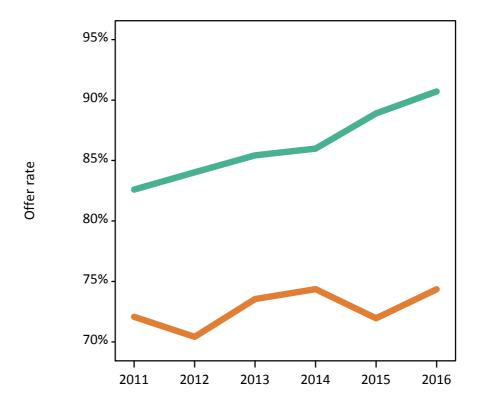
## P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	3,085	2,670	2,320	2,275	2,010	1,785
	Women	4,520	4,565	3,650	3,520	3,435	3,020
Offers	Men	2,550	2,245	1,980	1,960	1,785	1,620
	Women	3,260	3,215	2,685	2,615	2,470	2,245
Offer rate	Men	82.6%	84.0%	85.4%	86.0%	88.9%	90.7%
	Women	72.1%	70.4%	73.5%	74.4%	71.9%	74.4%
Average offer rate	Men	83.3%	84.7%	85.9%	87.6%	89.2%	91.3%
	Women	71.6%	70.0%	73.2%	73.3%	71.8%	74.0%
Percentage point difference between	Men	-0.7	-0.7	-0.5	-1.7	-0.3	-0.6
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	0.5	0.4	0.3	1.1	0.2	0.3
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.596	0.578	0.610	0.614	0.607	0.628
offer rate	Women	0.724	0.753	0.752	0.750	0.770	0.780

## P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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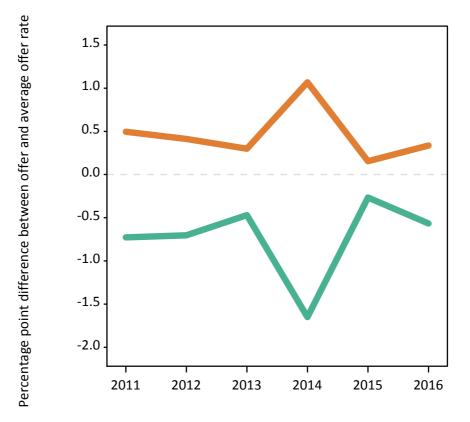




## P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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## P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	845	885	665	750	680	680
	Quintile 2	1,370	1,310	1,070	1,085	1,005	890
	Quintile 3	1,755	1,675	1,485	1,345	1,300	1,090
	Quintile 4	1,740	1,680	1,330	1,335	1,250	1,105
	Quintile 5	1,285	1,205	1,005	910	865	740
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	160	125	95	85	70	70
	Quintile 2	290	225	165	150	120	120
	Quintile 3	365	285	210	205	170	145
	Quintile 4	385	290	225	210	175	135
	Quintile 5	210	170	115	105	95	80
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	205	155	120	105	80	95
	Quintile 2	355	275	210	185	155	160
	Quintile 3	505	405	300	270	235	200
	Quintile 4	500	390	300	285	230	200
	Quintile 5	310	225	155	140	135	125
June deadline applicants per 10,00	0 Quintile 1	58.9	62.1	47.8	53.8	48.4	50.3
population	Quintile 2	91.3	87.2	72.7	74.2	67.6	61.6
	Quintile 3	114.1	108.3	97.2	89.5	84.6	72.6
	Quintile 4	111.0	105.9	85.0	86.8	79.7	71.7
	Quintile 5	77.6	71.7	60.7	55.9	51.6	44.8
Placed June deadline applicants pe	r Quintile 1	11.2	8.6	7.0	6.0	5.0	5.3
10,000 population	Quintile 2	19.4	15.0	11.1	10.4	7.9	8.2
	Quintile 3	23.6	18.6	13.6	13.6	11.1	9.7
	Quintile 4	24.5	18.2	14.3	13.8	11.1	8.9
	Quintile 5	12.8	10.1	7.0	6.3	5.6	4.8
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	14.4	11.0	8.7	7.5	5.9	7.1
population	Quintile 2	23.7	18.5	14.1	12.6	10.4	11.2
	Quintile 3	32.8	26.2	19.6	18.1	15.2	13.4
	Quintile 4	31.9	24.5	19.1	18.4	14.7	13.1
	Quintile 5	18.7	13.3	9.5	8.6	8.1	7.6

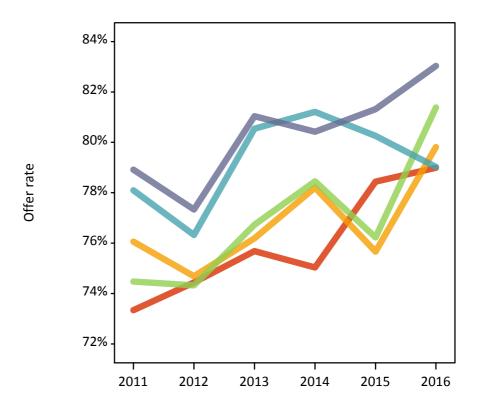
## P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic PO	LAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	920	930	695	790	720	715
	Quintile 2	1,515	1,420	1,175	1,170	1,090	945
	Quintile 3	1,895	1,780	1,590	1,420	1,385	1,160
	Quintile 4	1,895	1,810	1,445	1,460	1,325	1,185
	Quintile 5	1,365	1,285	1,060	950	910	780
Offers	Quintile 1	675	695	525	590	565	565
	Quintile 2	1,155	1,060	895	915	825	755
	Quintile 3	1,410	1,325	1,220	1,115	1,055	945
	Quintile 4	1,480	1,380	1,165	1,185	1,065	940
	Quintile 5	1,080	995	860	765	740	645
Offer rate	Quintile 1	73.3%	74.4%	75.7%	75.0%	78.4%	79.0%
	Quintile 2	76.1%	74.7%	76.2%	78.2%	75.7%	79.8%
	Quintile 3	74.5%	74.3%	76.7%	78.5%	76.2%	81.4%
	Quintile 4	78.1%	76.3%	80.5%	81.2%	80.3%	79.0%
	Quintile 5	78.9%	77.3%	81.0%	80.4%	81.3%	83.0%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	73.5%	75.8%	77.3%	77.0%	78.3%	80.8%
	Quintile 2	74.3%	74.9%	76.2%	78.2%	76.9%	79.2%
	Quintile 3	77.1%	75.1%	77.4%	78.8%	78.1%	81.2%
	Quintile 4	77.3%	75.7%	79.5%	79.7%	78.6%	80.0%
	Quintile 5	78.2%	76.0%	80.3%	80.5%	79.7%	80.9%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-0.2	-1.3	-1.6	-1.9	0.2	-1.8
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	1.8	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-1.2	0.6
	Quintile 3	-2.6	-0.8	-0.7	-0.4	-1.8	0.2
	Quintile 4	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.5	1.7	-0.9
	Quintile 5	0.7	1.4	0.7	-0.1	1.7	2.1
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.199	0.191	0.203	0.208	0.218	0.248
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.266	0.263	0.271	0.274	0.280	0.288
	Quintile 3	0.321	0.304	0.329	0.304	0.336	0.325
	Quintile 4	0.315	0.311	0.316	0.323	0.316	0.334
	Quintile 5	0.265	0.253	0.264	0.253	0.280	0.271

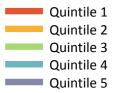
## P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

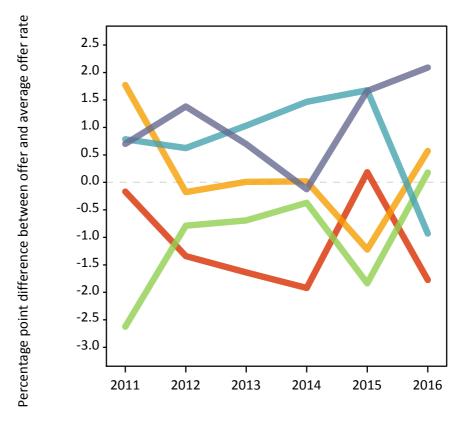
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**P.10** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.





## P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	605	655	650	560	540	600
	Black	1,125	1,200	1,110	905	865	635
	Mixed	335	285	240	250	245	215
	White	4,845	4,530	3,460	3,620	3,355	2,985
	Other	80	70	80	85	75	65
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	135	125	135	110	115	85
	Black	260	260	185	140	105	90
	Mixed	70	65	25	35	35	30
	White	920	635	440	460	360	340
	Other	20	10	15	10	10	10
All placed applicants	Asian	215	190	190	155	165	150
	Black	430	405	300	225	165	155
	Mixed	100	80	45	45	45	40
	White	1,095	755	530	545	440	430
	Other	30	15	15	15	20	15
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	96.0	101.3	98.9	82.7	76.6	83.5
population	Black	411.9	425.4	373.2	298.6	272.1	203.2
	Mixed	138.3	108.7	89.1	86.6	79.8	69.0
	White	74.9	70.1	55.0	58.7	53.9	49.4
	Other	96.3	81.4	86.0	89.2	77.8	66.5
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	21.7	19.3	20.8	16.4	16.2	12.1
10,000 population	Black	95.1	91.6	62.3	46.2	32.7	28.1
	Mixed	29.3	25.0	8.9	12.2	10.7	9.5
	White	14.2	9.8	7.0	7.5	5.8	5.6
	Other	22.2	12.4	15.4	9.7	9.3	9.1
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	34.0	29.5	28.5	22.9	23.6	20.8
population	Black	158.0	143.8	100.7	73.6	51.2	49.5
	Mixed	40.9	30.7	15.9	15.3	14.6	12.7
	White	16.9	11.7	8.4	8.8	7.0	7.1
	Other	34.6	17.0	18.7	18.3	20.7	15.1

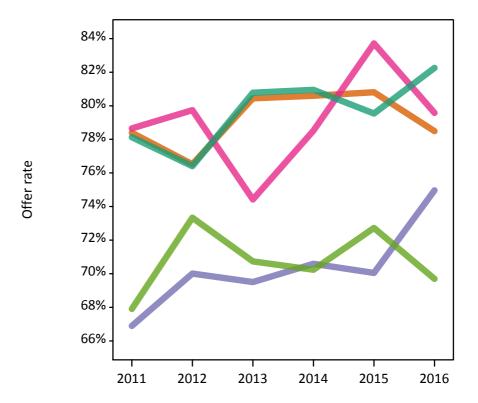
## P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	700	725	760	640	620	635
	Black	1,175	1,235	1,150	935	890	650
	Mixed	370	310	260	270	265	235
	White	5,255	4,870	3,700	3,845	3,575	3,195
	Other	80	75	80	85	75	65
Offers	Asian	550	555	615	515	500	500
	Black	785	865	800	660	620	490
	Mixed	290	250	190	210	220	185
	White	4,105	3,720	2,985	3,115	2,840	2,630
	Other	55	55	60	60	55	45
Offer rate	Asian	78.4%	76.5%	80.4%	80.6%	80.8%	78.5%
	Black	66.9%	70.0%	69.5%	70.6%	70.0%	75.0%
	Mixed	78.6%	79.7%	74.4%	78.5%	83.7%	79.6%
	White	78.1%	76.4%	80.8%	80.9%	79.5%	82.3%
	Other	67.9%	73.3%	70.7%	70.2%	72.7%	69.7%
Average offer rate	Asian	80.4%	78.4%	79.1%	80.6%	79.5%	79.7%
	Black	76.2%	76.2%	75.3%	77.6%	75.0%	79.3%
	Mixed	76.8%	79.7%	78.3%	76.6%	82.4%	82.3%
	White	75.8%	74.4%	78.7%	79.1%	78.4%	80.8%
	Other	78.1%	85.2%	81.7%	78.0%	80.6%	73.7%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	-2.0	-1.9	1.4	0.0	1.3	-1.2
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-9.3	-6.2	-5.8	-7.0	-4.9	-4.3
	Mixed	1.9	0.1	-3.8	1.9	1.3	-2.7
	White	2.4	2.0	2.0	1.8	1.1	1.4
	Other	-10.2	-11.8	-11.0	-7.8	-7.9	-4.0
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.240	0.241	0.285	0.264	0.275	0.295
offer rate	Black	0.291	0.295	0.309	0.271	0.279	0.260
	Mixed	0.130	0.118	0.125	0.122	0.126	0.170
	White	0.756	0.746	0.703	0.731	0.731	0.739
	Other	0.108	0.082	0.123	0.092	0.115	0.112

## P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

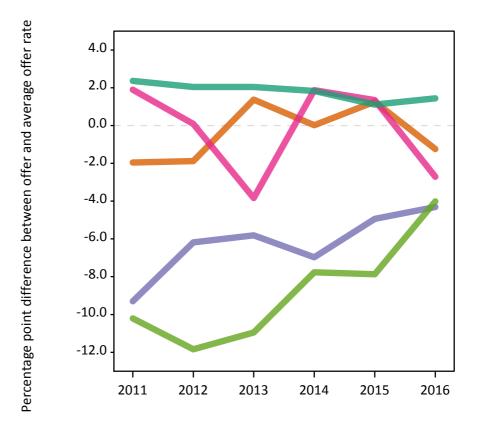
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**P.14** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.





## P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	16,510	15,150	12,910	12,990	12,020	11,025
Placed June deadline applicants	3,270	2,575	2,015	1,985	1,795	1,600
All placed applicants	4,205	3,625	3,065	3,005	2,770	2,985

## P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	18,765	16,780	14,090	14,260	13,125	12,040
Offers	11,045	10,010	8,460	8,565	8,005	7,335
Offer rate	58.9%	59.7%	60.0%	60.1%	61.0%	60.9%

## P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	6,445	5,495	4,755	4,730	4,165	3,770
	Women	10,060	9,655	8,155	8,260	7,855	7,255
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,335	965	750	760	630	600
	Women	1,940	1,610	1,265	1,225	1,160	1,000
All placed applicants	Men	1,710	1,415	1,170	1,185	1,025	1,190
	Women	2,495	2,210	1,895	1,820	1,745	1,800

## P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	7,310	6,120	5,225	5,205	4,580	4,175
	Women	11,455	10,660	8,865	9,055	8,545	7,870
Offers	Men	4,880	4,180	3,645	3,665	3,315	2,995
	Women	6,165	5,830	4,815	4,900	4,690	4,335
Offer rate	Men	66.7%	68.3%	69.8%	70.5%	72.3%	71.8%
	Women	53.8%	54.7%	54.3%	54.1%	54.9%	55.1%

## P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,065	2,040	1,700	1,810	1,660	1,625
	Quintile 2	3,265	2,990	2,575	2,650	2,540	2,255
	Quintile 3	4,160	3,845	3,350	3,270	3,015	2,710
	Quintile 4	3,955	3,615	3,045	3,055	2,785	2,560
	Quintile 5	3,015	2,630	2,215	2,180	1,980	1,805
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	365	300	250	220	205	205
	Quintile 2	665	525	405	425	410	350
	Quintile 3	855	680	525	530	465	405
	Quintile 4	830	640	540	515	430	385
	Quintile 5	550	425	295	295	275	240
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	455	395	355	305	290	340
	Quintile 2	805	715	590	635	610	590
	Quintile 3	1,145	1,010	855	840	765	830
	Quintile 4	1,065	905	800	765	665	720
	Quintile 5	730	595	465	450	430	480

## P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,310	2,235	1,820	1,970	1,775	1,745
	Quintile 2	3,860	3,380	2,880	2,970	2,865	2,495
	Quintile 3	4,710	4,245	3,645	3,555	3,295	2,980
	Quintile 4	4,530	4,025	3,345	3,375	3,025	2,790
	Quintile 5	3,300	2,860	2,380	2,345	2,125	1,950
Offers	Quintile 1	1,265	1,280	1,055	1,120	1,035	1,015
	Quintile 2	2,205	1,915	1,650	1,730	1,655	1,450
	Quintile 3	2,750	2,550	2,175	2,100	2,030	1,835
	Quintile 4	2,760	2,445	2,095	2,120	1,900	1,760
	Quintile 5	2,040	1,805	1,470	1,470	1,365	1,230
Offer rate	Quintile 1	54.6%	57.3%	57.9%	57.0%	58.3%	58.1%
	Quintile 2	57.0%	56.6%	57.4%	58.2%	57.8%	58.0%
	Quintile 3	58.4%	60.0%	59.7%	59.1%	61.6%	61.7%
	Quintile 4	61.0%	60.8%	62.7%	62.8%	62.8%	63.2%
	Quintile 5	61.8%	63.1%	61.9%	62.7%	64.2%	63.0%

## P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,505	1,530	1,500	1,425	1,350	1,395
	Black	4,495	4,325	3,760	3,605	3,365	2,940
	Mixed	765	690	610	645	575	525
	White	9,445	8,310	6,740	7,040	6,460	5,845
	Other	205	210	220	215	190	230
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	300	300	300	260	265	215
	Black	815	780	595	515	475	400
	Mixed	170	145	95	115	90	95
	White	1,915	1,320	985	1,060	920	835
	Other	45	20	25	25	30	35
All placed applicants	Asian	460	480	495	420	470	610
	Black	1,185	1,275	1,070	970	865	895
	Mixed	230	190	160	180	135	155
	White	2,230	1,610	1,270	1,355	1,210	1,210
	Other	65	45	45	60	60	75

## P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	1,800	1,770	1,740	1,610	1,560	1,545
	Black	5,115	4,730	4,050	3,940	3,600	3,150
	Mixed	885	780	665	720	630	585
	White	10,625	9,185	7,325	7,680	7,035	6,420
	Other	225	225	225	235	205	240
Offers	Asian	1,125	1,135	1,150	1,030	1,015	985
	Black	2,055	2,180	1,810	1,700	1,590	1,355
	Mixed	555	485	410	445	415	365
	White	7,115	6,050	4,925	5,215	4,810	4,430
	Other	125	120	120	140	130	140
Offer rate	Asian	62.4%	64.2%	66.2%	63.8%	65.1%	64.0%
	Black	40.2%	46.0%	44.7%	43.1%	44.2%	43.0%
	Mixed	62.7%	61.9%	61.8%	61.9%	65.7%	62.6%
	White	67.0%	65.9%	67.2%	67.9%	68.4%	69.0%
	Other	56.3%	54.0%	53.3%	60.0%	62.9%	58.2%

## **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 2016 cycle runs from September 2015 through to October 2016.

### End of cycle

The point in the cycle to which the numbers in this report refer, and the point at which the cycle is closed such that no more applications or offers can be made, and no more applicants can be placed. Numbers reported at the end of cycle exclude information on a small number of applicants who cancelled during the cycle.

#### **Extra**

Applicants who are unsuccessful in obtaining an offer or decline all offers may be eligible to apply through Extra, where they can apply to one further course at a time. Extra operates from 25 February until early July. It provides applicants who are eligible the possibility of obtaining an offer before exam results are published and Clearing starts.

### June 30 deadline

The deadline for main scheme applications. Applicants who apply after this date will go directly into Clearing.

### Record of Prior Acceptance (RPA)

RPA is an acceptance route used when a provider informs UCAS of applicants it has accepted outside of the normal application process (e.g. individuals who have applied directly to the provider).

### **Reporting groups**

### Ethnic group

High level grouping of ethnic origin as declared by the applicant: 'White', 'Black', 'Asian', 'Mixed', 'Other', 'Unknown'. Applicants who declare themselves as 'Unknown' ethnic origin are not reported in these tables, but are included in the associated csv data file.

## POLAR3 quintile

Developed by HEFCE, POLAR3 classifies small areas across the UK into five groups according to their level of young participation in Higher Education. Each of these groups represents around 20 per cent of young people and is ranked from Quintile 1 (areas with the lowest young participation rates, considered as the most disadvantaged) to Quintile 5 (highest young participation rates, considered most advantaged). POLAR3 is based on the participation rates of young people between 2005 and 2009 who entered Higher Education between 2005-06 and 2010-11, therefore is most suitable for applicants aged 19 and under. These groups are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant at the time of their application. If a UK postcode is invalid, considered unsafe for measurement or there is no link to Census geography possible then the applicant is not assigned to a quintile. Applicants with no POLAR3 quintile are not reported.

### Sex

Sex as declared by the applicant.

### SIMD quintile

Scottish index of multiple deprivation (SIMD) for 2012 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 2016 End of Cycle Report and the 2016 cycle January deadline application rate report.

### Statistics reported in the tables

## All placed applicants

The number of applicants placed for entry into higher education at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA.

## All placed applicants per 10,000 population

The number of total UK domiciled 18 year old placed applicants for entry into higher education at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

## Average offer rate

The offer rate that you might expect if the predicted grades and subject choice of applicants were the only factors that influenced whether an applicant was made an offer by the provider. The average offer rate is calculated by dividing applicants according to their specific combination of grades (for A levels the best three predicted grades are used, for BTECs, International Baccalaureate and Scottish Highers and Advanced Highers, predicted grades along with any grades already achieved upon applying are used) and subject choice. For each combination the number of main scheme offers is divided by the number of main scheme applications, to give an overall offer rate. This is then multiplied by the number of applications made by the group for which the average offer rate is being calculated (for example POLAR3 quintile 1), to give an average number of offers for that group. These average number of offers are then added together across all combinations of predicted grade and subject and divided by the number of main scheme applications from the group to give the average offer rate.

The average offer rate does not attempt to control for any other factors that may play a part in the decision to make an offer, such as the subject of the qualifications studied, their relevance to a course, or the grade in each subject; higher numbers of A levels being studied; the exact profile of grades predicted; personal statements; teacher references; interviews; or any other criteria (such as work experience or portfolios) that may be part of the admissions decision.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

## Contribution of group to the average offer rate

The way in which the average offer rate is defined means that the pattern of application and offers of a group (for example POLAR3 quintile 1) will always contribute, in part, to the average offer rate for that group. When this contribution is large, the average offer rate will mainly reflect the patterns for the group, meaning that the value of the average offer rate will be similar to the offer rate, the percentage point difference statistic will be small, and any real difference between the offer rate and what might be expected given the predicted grades and subject choices of the applicants will be difficult to detect.

Values of the contribution of group to the average offer rate range between 0 and 1. The closer the value is to 1 the greater the contribution a group makes to its own average offer rate.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

### Placed June deadline applicants

An applicant who has been placed for entry into higher education at the provider through a June deadline application.

### Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old placed June deadline applicants at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their June deadline applications. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider, but for placed June deadline applicants only. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider through a June deadline application.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

## June deadline applications

An application (or choice) to a course in higher education to the provider that is made by the June 30 deadline. Each applicant can make up to five choices this way. The number of June deadline applications does not include choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs. Applications made to October deadline courses received after the October deadline are not included in these statistics.

## June deadline applicants

The number of applicants that made at least one application to the provider by the June 30 deadline.

## June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old June deadline applicants to the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, who applied by the June 30 deadline. It is equivalent to the application rate. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will apply to a provider by the June 30 deadline.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

### Offers

An offer is defined as a provider's decision in response to an application to offer a place to an applicant, often subject to the applicant satisfying academic and/or other criteria, via a June deadline application (i.e. does not cover choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs).

### Offer rate

The number of offers made divided by the number of June deadline applications. This gives the proportion of all June deadline applications to the provider that received an offer.

## Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate

The offer rate minus the average offer rate.

The percentage point difference can be compared to the expected range of statistical variation resulting from the calculation of the average offer rate using the Average Offer Rate Lookup Table. Where the value of the percentage point difference lies outside of this range, the percentage point difference may be considered to represent a real difference between the offer rate and the average offer rate.

### Other definitions

### Age

This analysis uses country-specific age definitions that align with the cut off points for school and college cohorts within the different administrations of the UK. For England and Wales, ages are defined on the 31 August, for Northern Ireland on the 1 July and for Scotland on the 28 February the following year. Defining ages in this way matches the assignment of children to school cohorts. For applicants outside of the UK a cohort cut off of 31 August has been used.

#### **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.