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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

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

	2014	2012	2012	2014	2015	2010
Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	2,380	2,140	1,785	1,670	2,010	1,845
Placed June deadline applicants	310	295	240	250	320	325
All placed applicants	620	415	350	395	485	445
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	30.9	27.7	23.5	22.2	26.3	24.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	4.1	3.8	3.2	3.3	4.2	4.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	8.1	5.4	4.6	5.2	6.3	5.9

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	2,545	2,265	1,930	1,785	2,160	1,970
Offers	2,170	1,935	1,655	1,465	1,820	1,465
Offer rate	85.2%	85.4%	85.8%	82.1%	84.3%	74.3%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

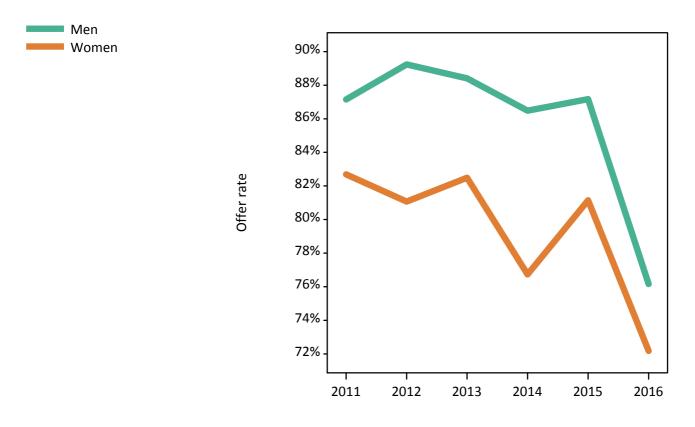
Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	1,285	1,120	980	915	1,050	960
	Women	1,090	1,020	805	755	965	885
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	165	160	120	125	145	165
	Women	145	135	120	125	175	160
All placed applicants	Men	370	225	170	190	235	215
	Women	250	190	180	205	255	230
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	32.7	28.3	25.2	23.7	26.7	25.0
population	Women	29.0	27.1	21.7	20.6	25.8	24.2
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	4.2	4.0	3.0	3.2	3.7	4.3
10,000 population	Women	3.9	3.6	3.3	3.4	4.7	4.3
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	9.4	5.6	4.3	4.9	5.9	5.6
population	Women	6.7	5.1	4.9	5.6	6.8	6.3

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

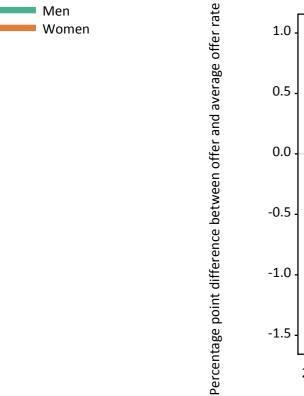
Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	1,410	1,200	1,080	990	1,130	1,030
	Women	1,140	1,065	850	795	1,030	940
Offers	Men	1,225	1,070	955	855	985	785
	Women	940	865	700	610	835	675
Offer rate	Men	87.1%	89.2%	88.4%	86.5%	87.2%	76.2%
	Women	82.7%	81.1%	82.5%	76.7%	81.1%	72.2%
Average offer rate	Men	87.1%	88.6%	88.4%	85.5%	87.0%	77.0%
	Women	82.8%	81.8%	82.4%	77.9%	81.4%	71.3%
Percentage point difference between	Men	0.1	0.6	-0.0	0.9	0.2	-0.8
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	-0.1	-0.7	0.0	-1.2	-0.2	0.9
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.746	0.733	0.750	0.757	0.749	0.757
offer rate	Women	0.686	0.700	0.684	0.697	0.724	0.733

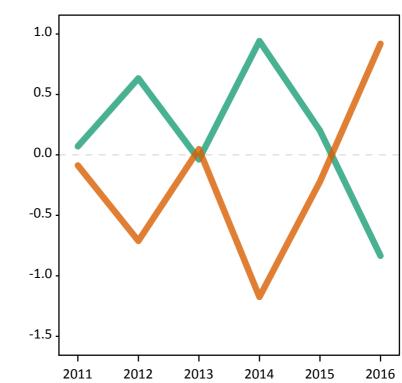
P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.



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 2011-2016.





P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

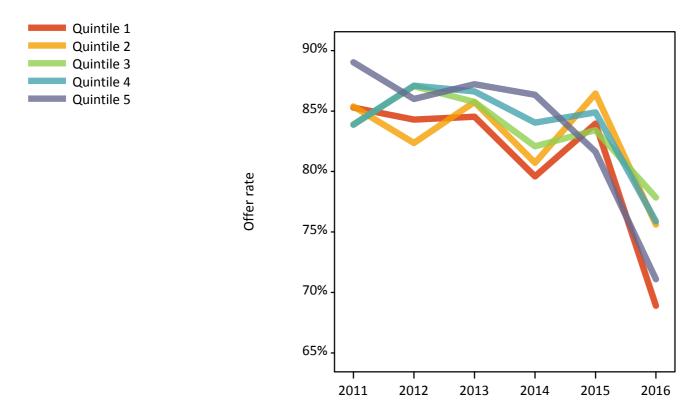
Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	485	430	420	365	435	375
	Quintile 2	560	450	405	365	470	415
	Quintile 3	555	555	430	410	500	485
	Quintile 4	475	420	320	310	365	320
	Quintile 5	300	285	215	215	240	250
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	75	55	60	60	80	70
	Quintile 2	75	70	60	65	70	70
	Quintile 3	70	90	50	50	80	90
	Quintile 4	60	50	45	45	60	60
	Quintile 5	25	30	25	30	35	35
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	135	80	85	90	105	95
	Quintile 2	135	100	85	95	105	100
	Quintile 3	155	125	75	85	130	125
	Quintile 4	120	65	65	75	90	80
	Quintile 5	75	45	35	45	55	45
June deadline applicants per 10,00	0 Quintile 1	33.8	30.3	30.0	26.2	31.2	27.9
population	Quintile 2	37.2	30.1	27.3	24.9	31.5	28.6
	Quintile 3	36.1	36.1	28.1	27.2	32.5	32.2
	Quintile 4	30.2	26.3	20.3	20.2	23.4	20.8
	Quintile 5	18.2	16.8	13.1	13.2	14.2	15.1
Placed June deadline applicants pe	r Quintile 1	5.3	3.8	4.4	4.2	5.6	5.3
10,000 population	Quintile 2	5.1	4.7	3.9	4.5	4.6	4.8
	Quintile 3	4.7	5.9	3.3	3.2	5.1	6.1
	Quintile 4	3.9	3.1	2.8	2.9	3.7	3.8
	Quintile 5	1.6	1.8	1.6	2.0	2.2	2.1
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	9.3	5.6	6.1	6.5	7.6	7.0
population	Quintile 2	9.0	6.7	5.8	6.4	6.9	6.8
	Quintile 3	9.9	8.2	5.0	5.8	8.4	8.4
	Quintile 4	7.8	4.1	4.2	4.9	5.8	5.2
	Quintile 5	4.5	2.6	2.1	2.8	3.3	2.7

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic PO	LAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	530	450	460	390	475	400
	Quintile 2	600	480	435	390	500	445
	Quintile 3	595	605	465	440	535	520
	Quintile 4	495	435	345	330	395	345
	Quintile 5	320	295	225	225	245	255
Offers	Quintile 1	450	380	390	310	400	275
	Quintile 2	515	395	375	315	435	340
	Quintile 3	500	525	395	360	450	405
	Quintile 4	415	380	300	280	335	260
	Quintile 5	285	250	200	195	200	180
Offer rate	Quintile 1	85.3%	84.3%	84.5%	79.6%	84.0%	68.9%
	Quintile 2	85.4%	82.4%	85.7%	80.7%	86.5%	75.6%
	Quintile 3	83.9%	87.1%	85.7%	82.1%	83.4%	77.8%
	Quintile 4	83.9%	87.1%	86.6%	84.0%	84.9%	75.9%
	Quintile 5	89.0%	86.0%	87.2%	86.3%	81.6%	71.1%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	84.0%	83.9%	85.4%	80.3%	83.4%	70.3%
	Quintile 2	85.4%	83.5%	86.2%	81.6%	85.6%	76.4%
	Quintile 3	85.0%	85.7%	85.4%	82.0%	84.1%	76.9%
	Quintile 4	85.3%	87.0%	85.5%	83.7%	84.8%	73.8%
	Quintile 5	86.7%	87.7%	87.1%	84.3%	83.1%	72.2%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	1.3	0.4	-0.9	-0.7	0.6	-1.4
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-0.1	-1.1	-0.4	-0.9	0.9	-0.8
	Quintile 3	-1.2	1.4	0.4	0.1	-0.7	0.9
	Quintile 4	-1.4	0.1	1.2	0.3	0.0	2.1
	Quintile 5	2.3	-1.7	0.1	2.1	-1.5	-1.1
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.351	0.345	0.386	0.349	0.352	0.353
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.373	0.367	0.373	0.371	0.379	0.340
	Quintile 3	0.375	0.407	0.368	0.382	0.366	0.397
	Quintile 4	0.355	0.374	0.374	0.355	0.317	0.347
	Quintile 5	0.312	0.304	0.322	0.301	0.306	0.330

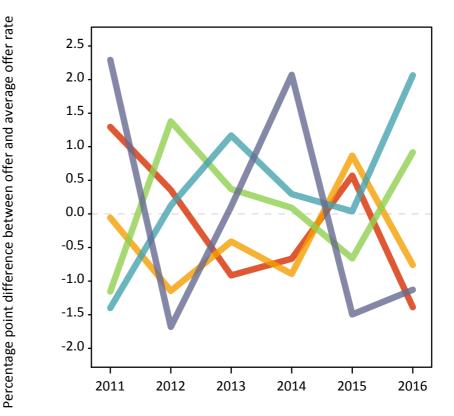
P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.



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.

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P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

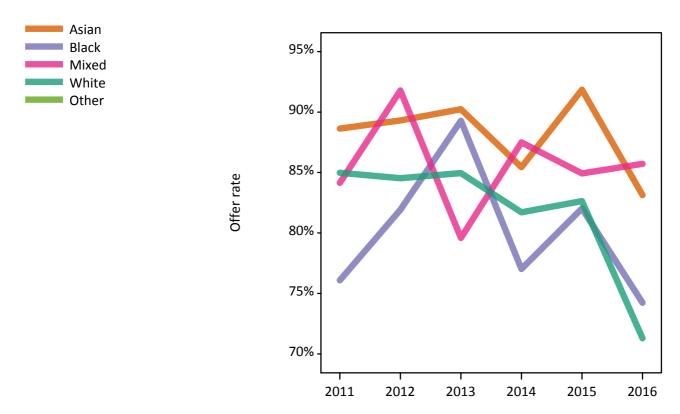
Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	295	300	240	255	340	335
	Black	85	90	80	70	125	90
	Mixed	75	70	45	45	70	55
	White	1,905	1,665	1,395	1,280	1,445	1,335
	Other	5	10	20	15	25	15
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	30	35	15	20	45	35
	Black	10	15	5	5	15	10
	Mixed	15	10	5	5	10	15
	White	255	235	210	220	245	265
	Other	0	5	5	0	5	0
All placed applicants	Asian	95	55	40	50	95	70
	Black	45	25	20	15	30	15
	Mixed	25	15	10	15	20	20
	White	450	315	275	305	335	330
	Other	5	5	5	5	5	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	47.0	46.2	36.4	37.7	48.3	46.6
population	Black	31.1	32.7	26.9	22.8	39.0	29.1
	Mixed	31.8	27.6	17.0	15.6	23.0	18.1
	White	29.5	25.8	22.2	20.7	23.2	22.0
	Other	6.2	13.6	24.3	18.3	23.9	17.1
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	4.6	5.1	2.0	2.7	6.4	5.0
10,000 population	Black	3.7	4.6	2.4	1.6	4.1	2.6
	Mixed	6.2	3.1	1.8	2.4	3.9	4.5
	White	3.9	3.7	3.3	3.5	4.0	4.4
	Other	0.0	4.5	5.5	0.0	3.1	0.0
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	14.9	8.3	6.1	7.7	13.3	10.0
population	Black	16.1	8.9	6.7	5.6	8.8	5.1
	Mixed	9.5	5.0	3.3	5.9	6.2	5.7
	White	6.9	4.9	4.3	4.9	5.4	5.5
	Other	8.6	7.9	6.6	3.2	6.2	3.0

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	310	320	255	270	370	350
	Black	90	95	85	75	130	95
	Mixed	80	75	50	50	75	65
	White	2,050	1,765	1,515	1,370	1,560	1,430
	Other	5	10	20	20	25	20
Offers	Asian	275	285	230	230	340	290
	Black	70	75	75	55	105	70
	Mixed	70	65	40	40	60	55
	White	1,745	1,490	1,285	1,120	1,290	1,020
	Other	5	10	20	15	20	15
Offer rate	Asian	88.6%	89.3%	90.2%	85.4%	91.8%	83.1%
	Black	76.1%	81.9%	89.3%	77.0%	82.0%	74.2%
	Mixed	84.1%	91.8%	79.6%	87.5%	84.9%	85.7%
	White	85.0%	84.5%	85.0%	81.7%	82.6%	71.3%
	Other	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	75.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Average offer rate	Asian	89.5%	89.6%	90.1%	87.6%	90.9%	83.4%
	Black	81.2%	85.5%	92.0%	80.2%	85.0%	74.9%
	Mixed	82.6%	87.2%	83.4%	84.9%	85.2%	78.5%
	White	84.7%	84.6%	84.7%	81.0%	82.5%	71.5%
	Other	N/A	82.9%	90.2%	84.2%	90.3%	86.7%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	-0.9	-0.3	0.1	-2.1	0.9	-0.2
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-5.1	-3.6	-2.7	-3.1	-2.9	-0.7
	Mixed	1.5	4.6	N/A	N/A	-0.2	7.2
	White	0.3	-0.0	0.2	0.7	0.1	-0.2
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.380	0.410	0.406	0.457	0.441	0.408
offer rate	Black	0.250	0.273	0.296	0.274	0.211	0.203
	Mixed	0.228	0.206	0.181	0.235	0.178	0.185
	White	0.860	0.850	0.850	0.854	0.811	0.807
	Other	N/A	0.187	0.210	0.324	0.191	0.133

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 2011-2016.



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	5,320	4,785	4,150	3,885	4,935	4,515
Placed June deadline applicants	985	800	830	800	945	1,025
All placed applicants	1,615	1,225	1,215	1,540	1,540	1,450

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	5,895	5,275	4,565	4,215	5,375	4,895
Offers	4,375	3,850	3,445	3,060	3,900	3,140
Offer rate	74.2%	73.0%	75.5%	72.6%	72.5%	64.1%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	2,915	2,630	2,430	2,205	2,535	2,200
	Women	2,405	2,155	1,720	1,680	2,400	2,315
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	525	450	455	430	480	485
	Women	460	350	375	370	465	540
All placed applicants	Men	950	690	635	795	805	675
	Women	670	530	575	750	735	770

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	3,250	2,930	2,685	2,410	2,795	2,395
	Women	2,645	2,345	1,880	1,810	2,580	2,500
Offers	Men	2,445	2,185	2,095	1,825	2,105	1,660
	Women	1,935	1,665	1,350	1,240	1,795	1,475
Offer rate	Men	75.2%	74.5%	78.0%	75.7%	75.3%	69.4%
	Women	73.0%	71.1%	71.9%	68.5%	69.6%	59.1%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,180	1,100	1,000	935	1,230	1,100
	Quintile 2	1,170	1,020	880	850	1,105	1,000
	Quintile 3	1,295	1,210	1,015	935	1,225	1,095
	Quintile 4	1,020	885	755	705	815	780
	Quintile 5	640	560	495	450	545	520
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	235	190	225	210	245	270
	Quintile 2	225	165	175	165	200	215
	Quintile 3	245	220	200	190	235	255
	Quintile 4	205	150	140	140	160	180
	Quintile 5	70	70	90	100	100	100
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	370	300	330	415	385	385
	Quintile 2	340	260	260	325	330	325
	Quintile 3	410	330	300	380	400	350
	Quintile 4	330	225	195	260	255	250
	Quintile 5	160	110	125	160	160	135

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,320	1,215	1,120	1,020	1,355	1,195
	Quintile 2	1,310	1,130	965	925	1,195	1,085
	Quintile 3	1,445	1,355	1,120	1,030	1,330	1,205
	Quintile 4	1,120	960	815	755	905	840
	Quintile 5	675	600	535	475	575	550
Offers	Quintile 1	920	885	820	710	935	710
	Quintile 2	970	805	755	665	870	700
	Quintile 3	1,075	980	855	750	985	810
	Quintile 4	860	730	610	570	670	560
	Quintile 5	540	445	400	360	435	355
Offer rate	Quintile 1	69.8%	73.1%	73.2%	69.4%	68.9%	59.1%
	Quintile 2	74.2%	71.1%	78.1%	72.0%	72.7%	64.6%
	Quintile 3	74.2%	72.2%	76.2%	72.8%	73.9%	67.3%
	Quintile 4	76.7%	76.1%	75.1%	75.4%	74.0%	66.3%
	Quintile 5	79.5%	74.2%	74.7%	75.6%	75.7%	64.5%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	745	775	625	605	770	770
	Black	450	490	440	355	660	570
	Mixed	185	175	145	135	205	175
	White	3,855	3,240	2,840	2,700	3,185	2,865
	Other	40	75	70	75	80	95
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	120	115	90	90	115	125
	Black	85	85	105	80	105	110
	Mixed	35	25	25	20	40	50
	White	735	550	585	595	665	715
	Other	10	20	20	15	10	15
All placed applicants	Asian	255	200	175	245	270	220
	Black	170	175	190	235	235	200
	Mixed	55	45	40	80	65	60
	White	1,095	765	770	935	930	915
	Other	25	30	30	30	30	30

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	825	865	695	655	845	830
	Black	495	540	480	380	705	630
	Mixed	210	190	160	140	220	190
	White	4,280	3,555	3,120	2,925	3,480	3,100
	Other	40	90	75	90	85	105
Offers	Asian	625	675	570	510	655	610
	Black	250	305	280	235	390	325
	Mixed	145	135	110	105	155	120
	White	3,310	2,670	2,415	2,150	2,620	1,985
	Other	25	50	50	50	60	65
Offer rate	Asian	75.3%	78.2%	81.6%	78.3%	77.4%	73.6%
	Black	50.4%	56.5%	58.6%	61.4%	55.1%	51.8%
	Mixed	68.4%	71.4%	69.8%	72.5%	71.4%	63.7%
	White	77.4%	75.1%	77.3%	73.6%	75.3%	64.1%
	Other	59.5%	54.3%	65.8%	53.8%	69.0%	60.6%

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.