# Sex, area background and ethnic group



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**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	7,860	6,890	6,620	8,010	9,500	9,720
Placed June deadline applicants	1,500	1,120	1,210	1,375	1,770	1,835
All placed applicants	1,755	1,365	1,525	1,785	2,160	2,200
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	102.0	89.1	87.0	106.3	124.0	129.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	19.5	14.5	15.9	18.3	23.1	24.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	22.8	17.7	20.0	23.7	28.2	29.4

## P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	8,640	7,405	7,130	8,580	10,185	10,445
Offers	6,420	5,400	5,220	6,100	7,580	7,775
Offer rate	74.3%	72.9%	73.2%	71.1%	74.4%	74.4%

## P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	3,550	3,085	3,070	3,665	4,145	4,350
	Women	4,305	3,805	3,550	4,340	5,355	5,365
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	705	550	595	635	760	860
	Women	795	570	615	740	1,010	975
All placed applicants	Men	845	670	745	830	945	1,025
	Women	910	700	780	950	1,215	1,175
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	90.2	77.8	78.6	94.7	105.6	113.3
population	Women	114.4	100.9	95.8	118.6	143.3	146.9
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	17.9	13.9	15.3	16.4	19.4	22.4
10,000 population	Women	21.1	15.1	16.5	20.2	27.0	26.7
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	21.4	16.9	19.1	21.5	24.1	26.7
population	Women	24.2	18.5	21.0	26.0	32.6	32.1

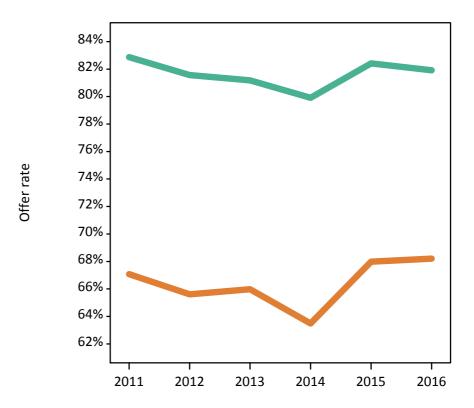
## P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	3,950	3,380	3,380	3,990	4,540	4,750
	Women	4,685	4,025	3,750	4,590	5,645	5,695
Offers	Men	3,275	2,755	2,745	3,190	3,740	3,890
	Women	3,145	2,640	2,475	2,915	3,840	3,885
Offer rate	Men	82.9%	81.6%	81.2%	79.9%	82.4%	81.9%
	Women	67.1%	65.6%	66.0%	63.5%	68.0%	68.2%
Average offer rate	Men	81.8%	81.1%	80.3%	79.4%	81.8%	81.4%
	Women	68.0%	66.0%	66.8%	63.9%	68.4%	68.6%
Percentage point difference between	Men	1.1	0.4	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.5
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	-0.9	-0.4	-0.8	-0.4	-0.5	-0.4
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.665	0.660	0.697	0.677	0.662	0.656
offer rate	Women	0.717	0.715	0.727	0.719	0.729	0.713

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

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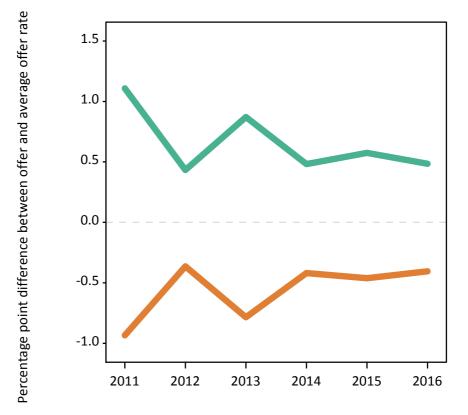




## P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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

Statistic PC	LAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,350	1,190	1,100	1,470	1,705	1,745
	Quintile 2	1,580	1,425	1,430	1,725	1,945	2,105
	Quintile 3	1,810	1,545	1,495	1,820	2,220	2,240
	Quintile 4	1,600	1,430	1,400	1,585	1,930	1,940
	Quintile 5	1,505	1,295	1,190	1,395	1,685	1,660
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	250	230	225	265	355	320
	Quintile 2	310	225	290	320	350	405
	Quintile 3	335	245	260	300	400	425
	Quintile 4	295	220	250	280	365	360
	Quintile 5	305	195	185	215	305	315
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	285	280	275	335	430	390
	Quintile 2	350	275	345	380	430	495
	Quintile 3	400	300	350	420	510	510
	Quintile 4	355	270	325	370	430	430
	Quintile 5	365	245	230	275	365	370
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	93.8	83.5	78.9	105.6	121.8	129.1
population	Quintile 2	105.2	95.0	97.1	117.8	131.1	145.6
	Quintile 3	117.5	99.9	97.9	121.1	144.6	148.9
	Quintile 4	102.2	90.0	89.5	102.8	123.2	125.7
	Quintile 5	90.9	77.2	71.9	85.5	100.5	100.4
Placed June deadline applicants per	Quintile 1	17.3	16.2	16.2	18.9	25.3	23.9
10,000 population	Quintile 2	20.6	15.1	19.5	21.7	23.4	28.1
	Quintile 3	21.8	15.9	17.0	19.8	26.0	28.4
	Quintile 4	19.0	13.9	16.1	18.2	23.2	23.4
	Quintile 5	18.5	11.6	11.1	13.1	18.1	18.9
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	19.8	19.5	19.7	24.0	30.6	28.8
population	Quintile 2	23.4	18.4	23.3	26.1	28.9	34.1
	Quintile 3	25.9	19.4	23.1	28.0	33.2	34.0
	Quintile 4	22.5	17.0	20.7	24.0	27.4	28.0
	Quintile 5	22.0	14.5	13.9	16.7	21.7	22.3

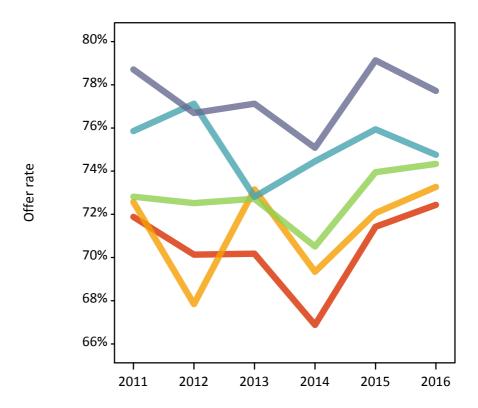
## P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic PO	LAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,515	1,300	1,235	1,580	1,850	1,885
	Quintile 2	1,780	1,525	1,545	1,835	2,075	2,280
	Quintile 3	1,995	1,665	1,590	1,965	2,410	2,410
	Quintile 4	1,725	1,520	1,510	1,700	2,055	2,070
	Quintile 5	1,610	1,385	1,245	1,480	1,780	1,770
Offers	Quintile 1	1,090	910	865	1,060	1,320	1,365
	Quintile 2	1,290	1,035	1,130	1,270	1,495	1,670
	Quintile 3	1,450	1,205	1,155	1,385	1,785	1,795
	Quintile 4	1,305	1,175	1,100	1,265	1,560	1,545
	Quintile 5	1,270	1,065	960	1,110	1,405	1,375
Offer rate	Quintile 1	71.9%	70.1%	70.2%	66.9%	71.4%	72.4%
	Quintile 2	72.6%	67.8%	73.2%	69.3%	72.1%	73.3%
	Quintile 3	72.8%	72.5%	72.7%	70.5%	74.0%	74.3%
	Quintile 4	75.9%	77.1%	72.8%	74.5%	75.9%	74.8%
	Quintile 5	78.7%	76.7%	77.1%	75.1%	79.1%	77.7%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	72.2%	71.3%	71.8%	69.0%	73.0%	73.3%
	Quintile 2	73.5%	69.2%	72.5%	69.0%	72.8%	72.8%
	Quintile 3	73.6%	72.8%	72.2%	71.2%	74.2%	75.3%
	Quintile 4	75.3%	75.4%	73.2%	72.3%	75.8%	75.1%
	Quintile 5	76.9%	75.7%	76.5%	74.9%	76.5%	75.8%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-0.3	-1.2	-1.7	-2.1	-1.5	-0.9
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-0.9	-1.3	0.7	0.3	-0.7	0.5
	Quintile 3	-0.8	-0.3	0.5	-0.7	-0.2	-1.0
	Quintile 4	0.5	1.8	-0.4	2.2	0.2	-0.3
	Quintile 5	1.8	1.0	0.6	0.2	2.6	2.0
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.265	0.269	0.278	0.272	0.257	0.252
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.289	0.296	0.305	0.286	0.269	0.280
	Quintile 3	0.312	0.309	0.319	0.306	0.304	0.292
	Quintile 4	0.276	0.309	0.294	0.279	0.268	0.266
	Quintile 5	0.300	0.293	0.297	0.282	0.276	0.269

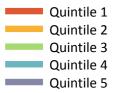
## P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

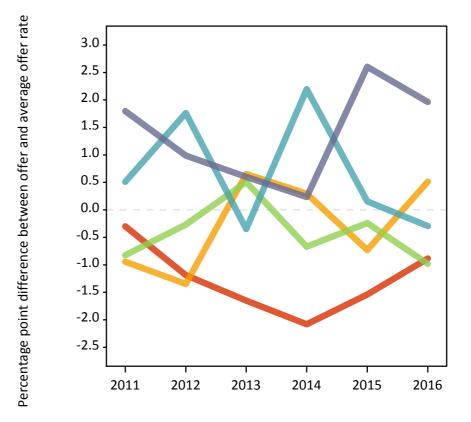
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**P.10** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.





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

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	910	920	920	1,225	1,530	1,775
	Black	230	220	270	380	440	465
	Mixed	240	215	205	290	340	335
	White	6,410	5,455	5,145	5,995	7,035	6,955
	Other	35	60	65	100	115	130
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	155	115	120	160	250	285
	Black	35	20	30	55	60	55
	Mixed	50	30	40	50	55	65
	White	1,245	940	1,005	1,100	1,360	1,405
	Other	10	5	10	10	30	15
All placed applicants	Asian	205	170	210	285	375	400
	Black	40	40	50	85	90	70
	Mixed	60	45	55	60	70	80
	White	1,430	1,100	1,190	1,325	1,570	1,615
	Other	10	10	20	25	45	25
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	144.7	141.8	139.3	180.6	216.5	246.4
population	Black	84.5	77.8	91.3	126.0	138.2	149.2
	Mixed	98.7	83.3	75.8	100.1	110.9	106.8
	White	99.0	84.5	81.7	97.2	112.9	115.0
	Other	44.4	65.5	69.5	107.4	117.2	128.9
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	24.4	17.6	17.9	23.7	35.3	39.7
10,000 population	Black	13.2	7.8	10.4	17.5	19.5	16.9
	Mixed	19.8	12.3	14.4	16.7	17.5	21.0
	White	19.2	14.6	16.0	17.8	21.9	23.2
	Other	14.8	7.9	12.1	12.9	33.2	16.1
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	32.4	26.4	31.7	41.9	53.0	55.3
population	Black	15.4	14.2	16.2	28.0	28.9	22.1
	Mixed	24.4	16.5	19.6	21.6	22.4	25.7
	White	22.1	17.0	18.9	21.5	25.2	26.7
	Other	14.8	13.6	19.9	24.7	45.6	25.2

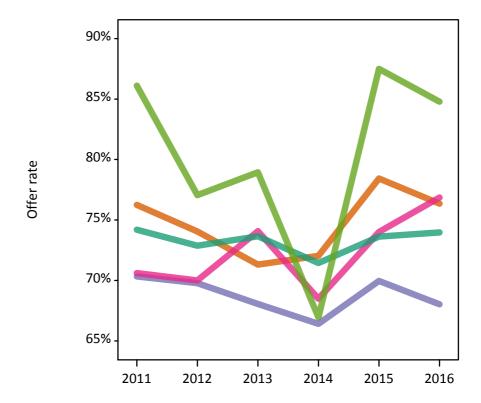
## P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	1,005	995	970	1,325	1,650	1,890
	Black	245	225	290	400	465	490
	Mixed	260	240	215	310	375	365
	White	7,055	5,865	5,565	6,405	7,520	7,495
	Other	35	60	75	120	130	140
Offers	Asian	765	735	690	955	1,295	1,445
	Black	175	155	195	265	325	335
	Mixed	185	170	160	215	280	280
	White	5,235	4,275	4,095	4,575	5,535	5,545
	Other	30	45	60	80	110	115
Offer rate	Asian	76.2%	74.0%	71.3%	72.0%	78.4%	76.3%
	Black	70.3%	69.8%	68.1%	66.4%	70.0%	68.0%
	Mixed	70.6%	70.0%	74.1%	68.5%	74.0%	76.9%
	White	74.2%	72.9%	73.6%	71.4%	73.6%	74.0%
	Other	86.1%	77.0%	78.9%	66.9%	87.5%	84.8%
Average offer rate	Asian	76.7%	75.4%	73.1%	74.7%	78.7%	77.8%
	Black	73.0%	70.6%	71.2%	69.2%	73.3%	71.8%
	Mixed	72.5%	71.4%	76.9%	73.6%	75.8%	76.0%
	White	74.0%	72.5%	73.0%	70.4%	73.3%	73.4%
	Other	83.1%	78.5%	80.1%	71.5%	84.1%	84.4%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	-0.4	-1.4	-1.8	-2.7	-0.3	-1.5
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-2.7	-0.8	-3.2	-2.8	-3.4	-3.8
	Mixed	-1.9	-1.4	-2.9	-5.1	-1.8	0.9
	White	0.2	0.4	0.6	1.1	0.3	0.5
	Other	N/A	-1.4	-1.1	-4.6	3.4	0.4
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.283	0.307	0.330	0.335	0.322	0.326
offer rate	Black	0.150	0.143	0.171	0.154	0.129	0.118
	Mixed	0.137	0.123	0.141	0.141	0.131	0.115
	White	0.851	0.833	0.830	0.801	0.789	0.772
	Other	0.131	0.204	0.164	0.143	0.126	0.141

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

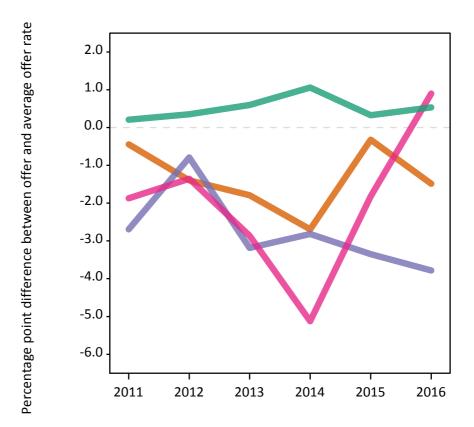
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**P.14** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.





## P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	19,210	16,930	16,815	19,305	21,175	21,335
Placed June deadline applicants	3,960	3,085	3,260	3,500	4,015	3,940
All placed applicants	4,470	3,725	4,090	4,460	5,165	4,985

## P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	21,815	18,910	18,660	21,345	23,270	23,650
Offers	12,735	10,780	10,795	11,910	14,285	14,315
Offer rate	58.4%	57.0%	57.9%	55.8%	61.4%	60.5%

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

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	8,140	6,910	7,040	8,120	8,830	8,955
	Women	11,070	10,020	9,775	11,185	12,345	12,380
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,775	1,345	1,485	1,515	1,710	1,725
	Women	2,185	1,740	1,770	1,985	2,305	2,215
All placed applicants	Men	2,035	1,650	1,890	1,985	2,300	2,250
	Women	2,430	2,075	2,195	2,475	2,870	2,740

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

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	9,375	7,845	7,935	9,105	9,925	10,045
	Women	12,440	11,065	10,725	12,235	13,340	13,605
Offers	Men	6,335	5,205	5,420	5,985	7,045	7,000
	Women	6,400	5,570	5,375	5,930	7,245	7,315
Offer rate	Men	67.6%	66.4%	68.3%	65.7%	70.9%	69.7%
	Women	51.4%	50.4%	50.1%	48.4%	54.3%	53.8%

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

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	3,985	3,660	3,535	4,150	4,485	4,495
	Quintile 2	4,035	3,690	3,630	4,280	4,515	4,705
	Quintile 3	4,460	3,785	3,835	4,345	4,920	4,900
	Quintile 4	3,645	3,175	3,250	3,545	3,945	3,955
	Quintile 5	3,045	2,575	2,530	2,940	3,270	3,180
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	820	755	750	765	925	810
	Quintile 2	810	665	705	815	855	850
	Quintile 3	970	665	760	800	910	925
	Quintile 4	725	555	600	625	760	750
	Quintile 5	630	435	435	485	570	595
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	910	895	920	970	1,175	1,010
	Quintile 2	915	815	855	990	1,085	1,075
	Quintile 3	1,095	805	990	1,065	1,215	1,190
	Quintile 4	820	655	770	815	970	935
	Quintile 5	720	550	550	615	710	750

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

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	4,655	4,205	4,065	4,690	5,085	5,075
	Quintile 2	4,620	4,110	4,015	4,710	4,965	5,235
	Quintile 3	5,105	4,260	4,250	4,855	5,400	5,430
	Quintile 4	4,060	3,505	3,575	3,885	4,270	4,320
	Quintile 5	3,335	2,785	2,720	3,155	3,500	3,460
Offers	Quintile 1	2,480	2,180	2,110	2,310	2,865	2,835
	Quintile 2	2,585	2,210	2,285	2,575	2,955	3,080
	Quintile 3	2,970	2,410	2,490	2,710	3,335	3,330
	Quintile 4	2,500	2,160	2,140	2,320	2,725	2,720
	Quintile 5	2,175	1,790	1,750	1,975	2,380	2,280
Offer rate	Quintile 1	53.3%	51.9%	51.9%	49.2%	56.4%	55.8%
	Quintile 2	56.0%	53.8%	56.9%	54.7%	59.5%	58.8%
	Quintile 3	58.2%	56.6%	58.6%	55.8%	61.7%	61.3%
	Quintile 4	61.5%	61.7%	59.9%	59.7%	63.8%	62.9%
	Quintile 5	65.3%	64.3%	64.2%	62.6%	68.1%	65.9%

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

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	2,295	2,185	2,175	2,650	3,205	3,505
	Black	1,675	1,735	1,625	1,835	2,035	2,070
	Mixed	695	620	580	680	790	820
	White	14,260	12,065	12,080	13,720	14,625	14,385
	Other	155	230	250	315	360	375
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	455	315	335	370	535	525
	Black	265	225	200	225	265	215
	Mixed	160	115	115	135	140	165
	White	3,015	2,375	2,550	2,710	2,980	2,950
	Other	40	30	40	45	65	60
All placed applicants	Asian	560	445	535	635	850	820
	Black	295	320	295	345	410	325
	Mixed	190	150	155	185	190	215
	White	3,350	2,735	3,025	3,195	3,565	3,500
	Other	40	55	65	75	105	90

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

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	2,620	2,420	2,375	2,935	3,485	3,855
	Black	1,940	2,025	1,880	2,095	2,295	2,340
	Mixed	810	715	655	745	890	915
	White	16,110	13,360	13,335	15,080	16,000	15,885
	Other	175	275	300	365	410	435
Offers	Asian	1,685	1,485	1,460	1,775	2,425	2,565
	Black	705	705	715	765	1,020	970
	Mixed	460	390	370	425	575	565
	White	9,700	7,965	8,010	8,695	9,910	9,810
	Other	105	170	180	195	260	275
Offer rate	Asian	64.3%	61.3%	61.5%	60.6%	69.5%	66.5%
	Black	36.2%	34.9%	38.1%	36.5%	44.4%	41.4%
	Mixed	56.4%	54.7%	57.0%	56.8%	64.5%	61.4%
	White	60.2%	59.6%	60.1%	57.7%	62.0%	61.7%
	Other	58.2%	62.1%	60.3%	54.0%	63.3%	63.5%

## **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.

#### **LIK** 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.