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Application statistics: June deadline applications, offers, offer rate, average offer rate, percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate, contribution of group to the average offer rate

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- Applicants, placed applicants, applications and offers are rounded to the nearest 5.
- Applicants/placed applicants per 10,000 population figures are reported as 0 if the applicant/placed applicant figures are rounded to 0.
- All statistics related to the offer rate are not reported when the number of applications for a group is less than 10. The percentage point difference between the offer rate and the average offer rate is not reported when the number of applications for a group is less than 50.
- Offer rates are reported as 0% if there are fewer than 5 offers, and 100% if the number of offers is within 5 of the number of applications. When the offer rate is reported as 0% or 100%, it is reported in italics.

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P.1 18 year old applicants

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	5,070	4,275	4,630	4,460	4,355	4,315
Placed June deadline applicants	710	810	755	745	770	710
All placed applicants	1,040	1,065	965	1,005	1,015	995
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	65.6	56.2	61.4	58.2	58.1	58.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	9.2	10.6	10.0	9.8	10.3	9.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	13.4	14.0	12.8	13.1	13.5	13.4

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	5,895	5,050	5,375	5,090	4,910	4,840
Offers	3,720	4,235	4,590	4,105	4,260	4,105
Offer rate	63.1%	83.8%	85.3%	80.6%	86.7%	84.8%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	2,295	2,045	2,055	1,945	2,060	1,925
	Women	2,775	2,230	2,575	2,520	2,300	2,395
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	330	380	340	315	370	285
	Women	380	430	415	430	400	425
All placed applicants	Men	470	505	430	445	480	405
	Women	570	560	535	560	535	590
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	57.8	52.3	53.1	49.5	53.6	50.6
population	Women	73.7	60.2	70.3	67.4	62.9	66.3
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	8.4	9.7	8.7	8.1	9.6	7.5
10,000 population	Women	10.1	11.6	11.3	11.5	10.9	11.7
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	11.8	13.0	11.1	11.3	12.4	10.7
population	Women	15.2	15.1	14.6	15.0	14.6	16.3

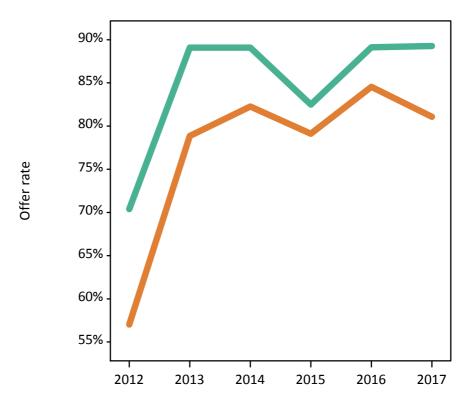
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	2,690	2,445	2,430	2,235	2,345	2,190
	Women	3,200	2,605	2,950	2,860	2,570	2,650
Offers	Men	1,895	2,180	2,165	1,840	2,090	1,955
	Women	1,825	2,055	2,425	2,260	2,170	2,150
Offer rate	Men	70.4%	89.1%	89.1%	82.5%	89.1%	89.3%
	Women	57.0%	78.9%	82.3%	79.1%	84.5%	81.1%
Average offer rate	Men	71.3%	89.9%	90.5%	83.2%	90.1%	88.9%
	Women	56.2%	78.1%	81.1%	78.6%	83.7%	81.4%
Percentage point difference between	Men	-1.0	-0.8	-1.4	-0.7	-1.0	0.4
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.5	0.9	-0.3
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.655	0.687	0.655	0.654	0.651	0.640
offer rate	Women	0.710	0.706	0.716	0.730	0.682	0.702

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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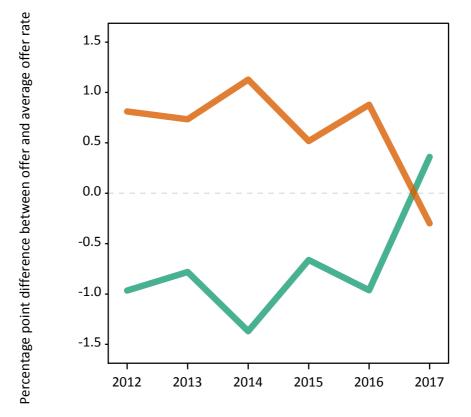




P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.





P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	780	615	750	665	705	685
	Quintile 2	1,260	1,060	1,145	1,175	1,195	1,220
	Quintile 3	1,400	1,205	1,305	1,315	1,240	1,270
	Quintile 4	870	765	780	735	690	625
	Quintile 5	755	620	640	565	520	505
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	100	115	95	90	115	100
	Quintile 2	205	210	210	210	230	225
	Quintile 3	250	285	270	285	300	265
	Quintile 4	85	120	100	95	85	70
	Quintile 5	70	80	80	60	45	50
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	140	145	130	130	140	135
	Quintile 2	275	275	255	270	295	300
	Quintile 3	365	375	330	390	380	370
	Quintile 4	130	155	130	125	115	110
	Quintile 5	125	120	120	90	75	80
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	54.7	44.2	53.9	47.4	52.1	51.5
population	Quintile 2	84.0	71.9	78.3	79.0	82.6	86.0
	Quintile 3	90.7	79.1	86.7	85.7	82.6	85.4
	Quintile 4	54.8	48.9	50.6	47.1	44.8	41.0
	Quintile 5	44.9	37.5	39.2	33.9	31.5	30.8
Placed June deadline applicants per	Quintile 1	7.0	8.3	6.8	6.5	8.4	7.6
10,000 population	Quintile 2	13.6	14.3	14.3	14.2	15.8	15.8
	Quintile 3	16.3	18.6	17.8	18.7	19.9	17.8
	Quintile 4	5.5	7.7	6.6	6.1	5.4	4.5
	Quintile 5	4.1	4.8	4.8	3.6	2.7	3.0
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	10.0	10.3	9.3	9.2	10.5	10.0
population	Quintile 2	18.4	18.5	17.6	18.0	20.5	21.2
	Quintile 3	23.8	24.5	21.9	25.5	25.4	24.7
	Quintile 4	8.1	9.9	8.5	8.0	7.5	7.3
	Quintile 5	7.4	7.2	7.2	5.4	4.5	4.7

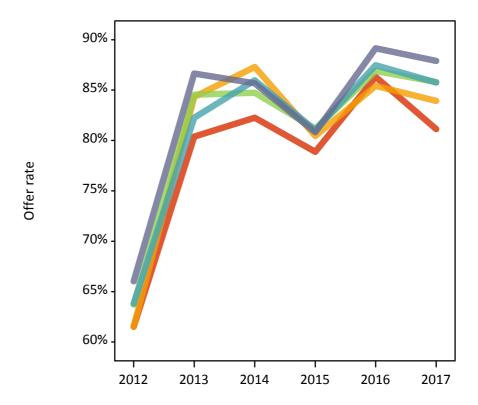
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic PO	LAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	855	680	835	715	760	740
	Quintile 2	1,500	1,320	1,400	1,355	1,360	1,380
	Quintile 3	1,795	1,560	1,620	1,640	1,520	1,530
	Quintile 4	955	835	835	785	735	655
	Quintile 5	775	650	685	590	535	530
Offers	Quintile 1	525	545	685	565	655	600
	Quintile 2	920	1,115	1,220	1,090	1,160	1,160
	Quintile 3	1,145	1,320	1,370	1,330	1,320	1,310
	Quintile 4	610	685	715	635	640	560
	Quintile 5	515	565	585	475	475	465
Offer rate	Quintile 1	61.5%	80.4%	82.3%	78.9%	86.3%	81.1%
	Quintile 2	61.5%	84.3%	87.3%	80.4%	85.4%	83.9%
	Quintile 3	63.7%	84.6%	84.7%	81.2%	86.9%	85.8%
	Quintile 4	63.8%	82.3%	86.0%	81.0%	87.5%	85.8%
	Quintile 5	66.0%	86.6%	85.7%	80.8%	89.2%	87.9%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	63.0%	80.2%	83.8%	79.3%	85.8%	81.0%
	Quintile 2	61.4%	83.9%	86.2%	79.9%	85.7%	84.2%
	Quintile 3	63.1%	84.5%	85.1%	81.6%	86.9%	85.2%
	Quintile 4	65.0%	82.9%	84.8%	81.2%	87.1%	86.1%
	Quintile 5	64.5%	87.0%	86.5%	80.2%	89.9%	88.7%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-1.5	0.2	-1.6	-0.4	0.6	0.1
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	0.1	0.4	1.1	0.6	-0.2	-0.3
	Quintile 3	0.6	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	0.0	0.7
	Quintile 4	-1.2	-0.6	1.2	-0.2	0.4	-0.4
	Quintile 5	1.5	-0.4	-0.8	0.6	-0.7	-0.8
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.246	0.269	0.257	0.237	0.247	0.247
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.333	0.359	0.347	0.349	0.352	0.354
	Quintile 3	0.403	0.407	0.391	0.415	0.390	0.399
	Quintile 4	0.279	0.289	0.265	0.271	0.249	0.236
	Quintile 5	0.268	0.292	0.269	0.277	0.245	0.242

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

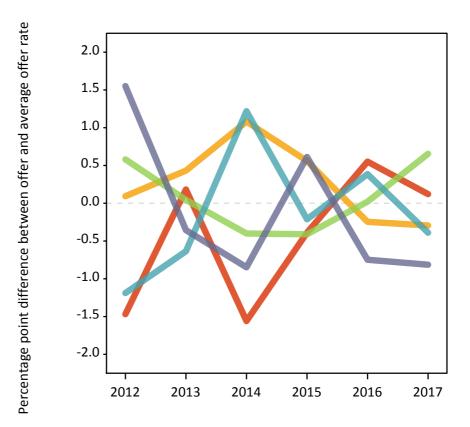
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.





P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	2,205	2,010	2,160	2,095	2,205	2,360
	Black	365	290	295	320	335	255
	Mixed	155	110	115	130	150	125
	White	2,225	1,755	1,945	1,775	1,550	1,455
	Other	95	75	90	90	75	80
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	420	510	470	470	555	500
	Black	30	40	35	40	35	30
	Mixed	20	15	15	20	15	20
	White	225	230	215	205	145	140
	Other	10	10	15	10	10	10
All placed applicants	Asian	635	665	610	655	720	700
	Black	60	60	55	55	55	50
	Mixed	35	20	20	25	20	25
	White	290	285	250	245	190	180
	Other	15	20	20	15	15	20
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	340.3	304.8	318.7	296.3	306.4	321.1
population	Black	128.9	97.3	97.3	100.5	107.0	81.0
	Mixed	59.9	41.1	39.6	42.8	47.4	39.3
	White	34.4	27.9	31.5	28.5	25.6	24.5
	Other	105.1	80.5	96.7	95.4	76.4	77.7
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	65.0	77.0	69.6	66.1	77.1	67.8
10,000 population	Black	11.0	14.1	10.9	12.9	11.5	9.9
	Mixed	8.4	4.8	5.2	6.2	5.4	6.9
	White	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.3	2.4	2.4
	Other	12.4	11.0	16.1	8.3	11.1	8.7
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	97.9	101.0	90.1	92.8	100.2	95.1
population	Black	21.0	20.5	17.8	17.3	17.2	16.2
	Mixed	12.7	7.0	7.6	8.1	7.0	8.4
	White	4.5	4.5	4.1	3.9	3.2	3.0
	Other	18.1	23.2	23.6	16.6	16.1	20.4

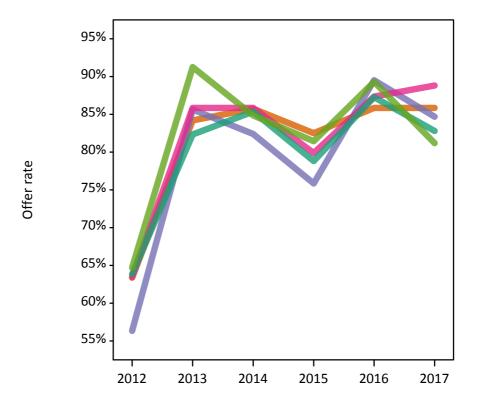
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	2,865	2,650	2,740	2,605	2,670	2,800
	Black	370	305	300	325	345	260
	Mixed	165	120	120	150	160	135
	White	2,350	1,855	2,090	1,865	1,610	1,510
	Other	100	80	100	95	85	85
Offers	Asian	1,815	2,230	2,350	2,150	2,290	2,405
	Black	210	260	250	250	305	220
	Mixed	105	105	105	120	140	120
	White	1,500	1,530	1,780	1,470	1,405	1,250
	Other	65	75	85	80	75	70
Offer rate	Asian	63.4%	84.2%	85.7%	82.5%	85.8%	85.9%
	Black	56.3%	85.6%	82.4%	75.8%	89.5%	84.7%
	Mixed	63.5%	85.8%	85.8%	79.9%	87.3%	88.8%
	White	63.8%	82.3%	85.3%	78.8%	87.3%	82.8%
	Other	64.7%	91.3%	84.8%	81.4%	89.3%	81.2%
Average offer rate	Asian	63.6%	85.1%	86.5%	82.7%	86.7%	85.7%
	Black	59.3%	86.6%	85.5%	79.9%	87.1%	83.5%
	Mixed	64.7%	82.1%	85.7%	82.5%	85.8%	86.1%
	White	62.9%	81.3%	83.7%	77.5%	86.6%	83.1%
	Other	66.4%	87.8%	86.6%	82.3%	87.2%	85.7%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	-0.2	-0.9	-0.8	-0.2	-0.8	0.1
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-3.0	-1.0	-3.1	-4.1	2.4	1.2
	Mixed	-1.2	3.7	0.1	-2.6	1.5	2.7
	White	1.0	1.0	1.7	1.4	0.6	-0.3
	Other	-1.7	3.4	-1.8	-0.9	2.1	-4.6
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.628	0.653	0.628	0.628	0.648	0.682
offer rate	Black	0.180	0.194	0.160	0.194	0.180	0.141
	Mixed	0.153	0.175	0.135	0.153	0.139	0.123
	White	0.572	0.545	0.549	0.527	0.490	0.498
	Other	0.150	0.156	0.141	0.150	0.141	0.161

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

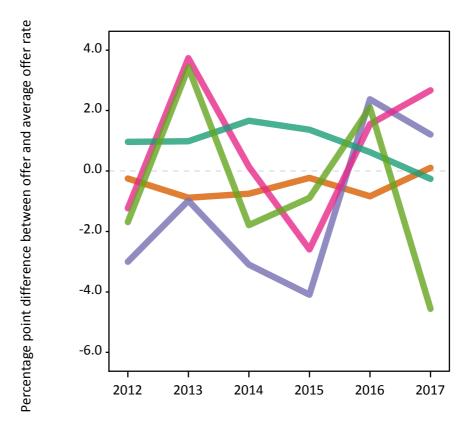
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P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.





P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	11,390	10,170	10,740	10,375	9,920	9,410
Placed June deadline applicants	1,520	1,815	1,675	1,655	1,585	1,540
All placed applicants	2,320	2,495	2,200	2,215	2,170	2,120

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	13,245	11,830	12,315	11,695	11,185	10,540
Offers	6,710	8,525	8,970	8,205	8,325	7,750
Offer rate	50.6%	72.1%	72.8%	70.2%	74.4%	73.5%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	4,910	4,410	4,410	4,135	4,295	3,915
	Women	6,480	5,760	6,330	6,240	5,625	5,495
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	660	770	680	640	685	605
	Women	860	1,040	1,000	1,015	905	930
All placed applicants	Men	990	1,080	905	910	950	860
	Women	1,330	1,415	1,295	1,305	1,220	1,260

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	5,815	5,220	5,210	4,725	4,940	4,470
	Women	7,425	6,610	7,105	6,970	6,245	6,075
Offers	Men	3,395	4,070	4,060	3,400	3,835	3,490
	Women	3,310	4,460	4,910	4,805	4,490	4,265
Offer rate	Men	58.4%	77.9%	77.9%	72.0%	77.7%	78.1%
	Women	44.6%	67.5%	69.1%	68.9%	71.8%	70.2%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,070	1,890	2,070	1,925	1,885	1,830
	Quintile 2	2,795	2,570	2,740	2,755	2,665	2,580
	Quintile 3	3,085	2,715	2,870	2,775	2,665	2,565
	Quintile 4	1,880	1,675	1,745	1,650	1,565	1,375
	Quintile 5	1,525	1,300	1,290	1,255	1,125	1,040
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	235	295	275	265	260	255
	Quintile 2	415	495	455	475	450	455
	Quintile 3	495	585	580	540	570	540
	Quintile 4	220	255	220	230	200	180
	Quintile 5	145	175	155	145	105	110
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	380	395	365	355	340	330
	Quintile 2	600	680	590	610	620	615
	Quintile 3	765	795	735	750	765	740
	Quintile 4	315	355	290	300	270	270
	Quintile 5	250	255	220	195	170	160

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,320	2,070	2,270	2,090	2,055	1,995
	Quintile 2	3,315	3,105	3,265	3,145	3,060	2,900
	Quintile 3	3,930	3,410	3,515	3,370	3,215	3,095
	Quintile 4	2,060	1,845	1,885	1,775	1,670	1,450
	Quintile 5	1,590	1,370	1,365	1,305	1,175	1,080
Offers	Quintile 1	1,055	1,340	1,505	1,380	1,415	1,335
	Quintile 2	1,625	2,220	2,385	2,230	2,295	2,125
	Quintile 3	2,065	2,555	2,645	2,415	2,440	2,385
	Quintile 4	1,085	1,335	1,400	1,265	1,275	1,080
	Quintile 5	865	1,055	1,020	910	890	815
Offer rate	Quintile 1	45.4%	64.7%	66.3%	66.0%	68.8%	66.9%
	Quintile 2	49.1%	71.5%	73.1%	71.0%	75.1%	73.4%
	Quintile 3	52.5%	74.9%	75.2%	71.7%	75.9%	77.1%
	Quintile 4	52.5%	72.3%	74.5%	71.1%	76.5%	74.4%
	Quintile 5	54.5%	77.1%	74.5%	69.8%	75.7%	75.1%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	4,465	4,120	4,330	4,170	4,285	4,285
	Black	1,505	1,330	1,275	1,330	1,200	1,100
	Mixed	345	285	310	345	315	295
	White	4,725	4,140	4,530	4,205	3,775	3,395
	Other	245	195	215	210	210	215
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	740	950	855	880	940	875
	Black	140	175	165	145	125	135
	Mixed	45	45	45	50	40	40
	White	555	595	575	540	440	430
	Other	30	25	25	25	25	30
All placed applicants	Asian	1,170	1,315	1,155	1,240	1,285	1,235
	Black	270	255	225	195	180	190
	Mixed	70	70	60	65	55	55
	White	715	750	680	640	560	525
	Other	50	45	50	40	45	50

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	5,775	5,280	5,470	5,080	5,215	5,115
	Black	1,600	1,440	1,335	1,380	1,245	1,165
	Mixed	375	330	340	385	340	315
	White	5,095	4,445	4,840	4,485	4,015	3,580
	Other	270	215	235	230	230	230
Offers	Asian	3,160	4,085	4,255	3,845	4,080	4,065
	Black	565	805	780	780	755	675
	Mixed	185	240	250	255	255	235
	White	2,595	3,150	3,455	3,100	2,960	2,505
	Other	135	165	175	150	175	165
Offer rate	Asian	54.7%	77.3%	77.8%	75.7%	78.2%	79.5%
	Black	35.4%	56.1%	58.5%	56.5%	60.7%	58.1%
	Mixed	49.6%	72.6%	72.8%	66.2%	74.8%	75.1%
	White	51.0%	70.8%	71.4%	69.1%	73.8%	70.0%
	Other	51.1%	76.9%	73.3%	65.4%	75.3%	72.4%

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 2017 cycle runs from September 2016 through to October 2017.

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 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 2017 End of Cycle Report and the 2017 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. 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.