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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	6,995	6,925	7,100	5,925	6,775	6,325
Placed June deadline applicants	1,050	1,055	1,105	985	1,115	925
All placed applicants	1,290	1,270	1,350	1,310	1,340	1,140
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	90.4	91.0	94.2	77.3	90.4	85.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	13.6	13.8	14.6	12.9	14.9	12.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	16.7	16.7	17.9	17.1	17.9	15.4

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	7,315	7,270	7,395	6,190	7,035	6,575
Offers	5,535	5,620	5,815	4,590	5,385	5,415
Offer rate	75.7%	77.3%	78.7%	74.2%	76.6%	82.3%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	2,525	2,330	2,390	1,895	2,400	2,010
	Women	4,470	4,595	4,710	4,030	4,375	4,315
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	370	360	385	340	395	290
	Women	680	695	720	645	720	630
All placed applicants	Men	465	455	475	470	480	345
	Women	820	810	875	840	860	795
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	63.6	59.7	61.7	48.3	62.5	52.9
	Women	118.6	124.0	128.6	107.8	119.7	119.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	9.3	9.2	9.9	8.7	10.3	7.7
	Women	18.0	18.7	19.6	17.3	19.6	17.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	11.8	11.7	12.2	11.9	12.4	9.1
	Women	21.8	21.9	23.9	22.5	23.6	22.1

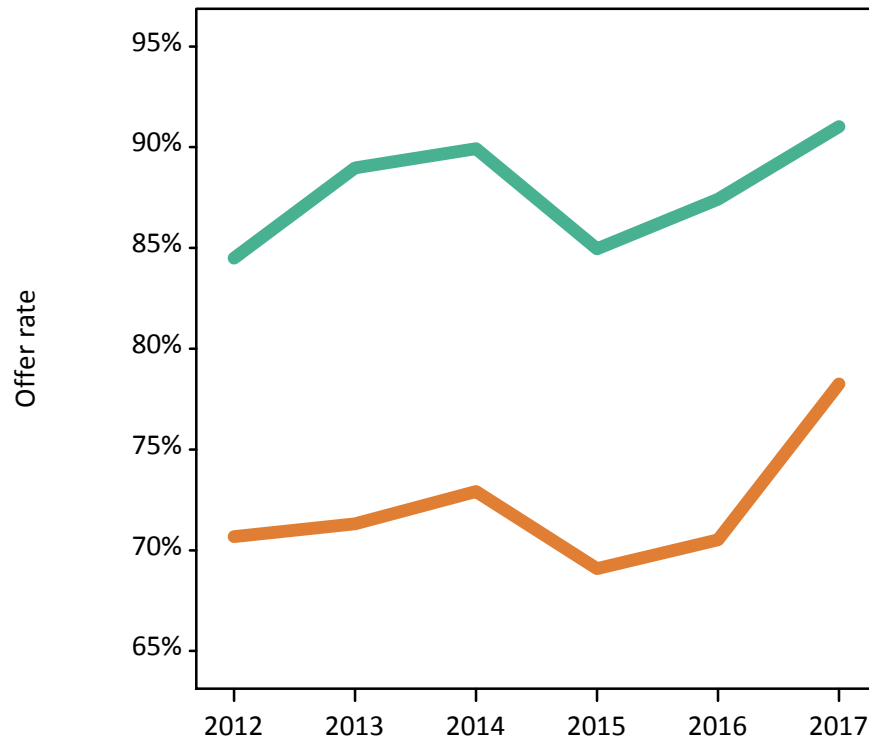
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	2,650	2,475	2,500	1,985	2,520	2,085
	Women	4,660	4,795	4,890	4,200	4,515	4,495
Offers	Men	2,240	2,200	2,250	1,690	2,200	1,895
	Women	3,295	3,420	3,565	2,905	3,185	3,515
Offer rate	Men	84.5%	89.0%	89.9%	85.0%	87.4%	91.0%
	Women	70.7%	71.3%	72.9%	69.1%	70.5%	78.3%
Average offer rate	Men	84.6%	88.9%	90.0%	84.6%	86.4%	91.1%
	Women	70.6%	71.4%	72.9%	69.3%	71.1%	78.2%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.1	0.1	-0.0	0.4	1.1	-0.1
	Women	0.1	-0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.6	0.0
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.589	0.573	0.574	0.573	0.583	0.566
	Women	0.766	0.779	0.782	0.798	0.768	0.799

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 2012-2017.

Men
Women



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

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

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	850	895	965	765	865	845
	Quintile 2	1,255	1,355	1,295	1,110	1,260	1,295
	Quintile 3	1,585	1,585	1,585	1,410	1,625	1,540
	Quintile 4	1,725	1,580	1,735	1,380	1,590	1,405
	Quintile 5	1,565	1,500	1,510	1,250	1,410	1,210
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	145	160	165	135	140	120
	Quintile 2	205	200	190	190	210	180
	Quintile 3	260	240	255	245	295	235
	Quintile 4	240	250	285	245	270	235
	Quintile 5	200	195	205	175	195	145
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	175	185	190	170	165	150
	Quintile 2	255	235	235	250	250	215
	Quintile 3	305	295	315	330	355	310
	Quintile 4	295	310	350	320	330	285
	Quintile 5	260	245	250	240	230	180
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	59.6	64.4	69.2	54.7	64.2	63.5
	Quintile 2	83.7	91.9	88.4	74.9	87.2	91.0
	Quintile 3	102.7	103.8	105.4	92.0	108.2	103.5
	Quintile 4	108.8	101.0	112.7	88.0	103.1	92.1
	Quintile 5	93.2	90.6	92.6	74.5	85.2	73.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	10.2	11.5	11.9	9.6	10.3	9.2
	Quintile 2	13.7	13.7	12.9	12.7	14.7	12.7
	Quintile 3	16.8	15.8	16.9	15.8	19.5	15.8
	Quintile 4	15.0	16.1	18.6	15.6	17.5	15.5
	Quintile 5	11.9	11.9	12.5	10.5	11.7	8.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	12.2	13.1	13.8	12.1	12.4	11.4
	Quintile 2	16.9	15.8	16.1	16.8	17.3	15.1
	Quintile 3	19.8	19.2	21.0	21.5	23.7	20.7
	Quintile 4	18.5	19.9	22.6	20.3	21.2	18.6
	Quintile 5	15.5	14.9	15.5	14.2	14.0	10.9

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	890	965	1,005	820	915	900
	Quintile 2	1,310	1,415	1,355	1,170	1,300	1,335
	Quintile 3	1,665	1,660	1,650	1,455	1,685	1,600
	Quintile 4	1,825	1,655	1,815	1,455	1,660	1,470
	Quintile 5	1,615	1,560	1,560	1,280	1,455	1,240
Offers	Quintile 1	640	730	715	565	650	720
	Quintile 2	965	1,070	1,040	840	985	1,055
	Quintile 3	1,270	1,265	1,310	1,070	1,310	1,340
	Quintile 4	1,385	1,320	1,460	1,110	1,275	1,225
	Quintile 5	1,270	1,225	1,285	1,005	1,150	1,045
Offer rate	Quintile 1	71.8%	75.4%	71.2%	68.7%	71.1%	79.8%
	Quintile 2	73.5%	75.6%	76.5%	71.7%	75.8%	79.1%
	Quintile 3	76.3%	76.2%	79.5%	73.6%	77.8%	83.7%
	Quintile 4	75.8%	79.8%	80.3%	76.2%	76.7%	83.5%
	Quintile 5	78.8%	78.6%	82.6%	78.3%	79.0%	84.2%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	72.1%	76.0%	73.0%	71.0%	74.0%	81.0%
	Quintile 2	75.3%	76.0%	77.4%	73.1%	76.1%	80.5%
	Quintile 3	75.2%	76.2%	79.8%	73.4%	76.8%	82.7%
	Quintile 4	76.0%	78.1%	79.3%	75.0%	76.8%	82.3%
	Quintile 5	78.2%	79.6%	81.6%	77.1%	77.9%	84.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-0.3	-0.5	-1.7	-2.2	-2.9	-1.2
	Quintile 2	-1.7	-0.5	-0.8	-1.4	-0.3	-1.4
	Quintile 3	1.1	-0.0	-0.3	0.2	0.9	1.0
	Quintile 4	-0.2	1.7	1.0	1.2	-0.1	1.2
	Quintile 5	0.6	-1.0	1.0	1.2	1.1	-0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.212	0.212	0.211	0.218	0.208	0.218
	Quintile 2	0.256	0.285	0.254	0.266	0.253	0.268
	Quintile 3	0.306	0.302	0.291	0.307	0.311	0.311
	Quintile 4	0.324	0.308	0.306	0.313	0.304	0.292
	Quintile 5	0.307	0.301	0.297	0.297	0.293	0.287

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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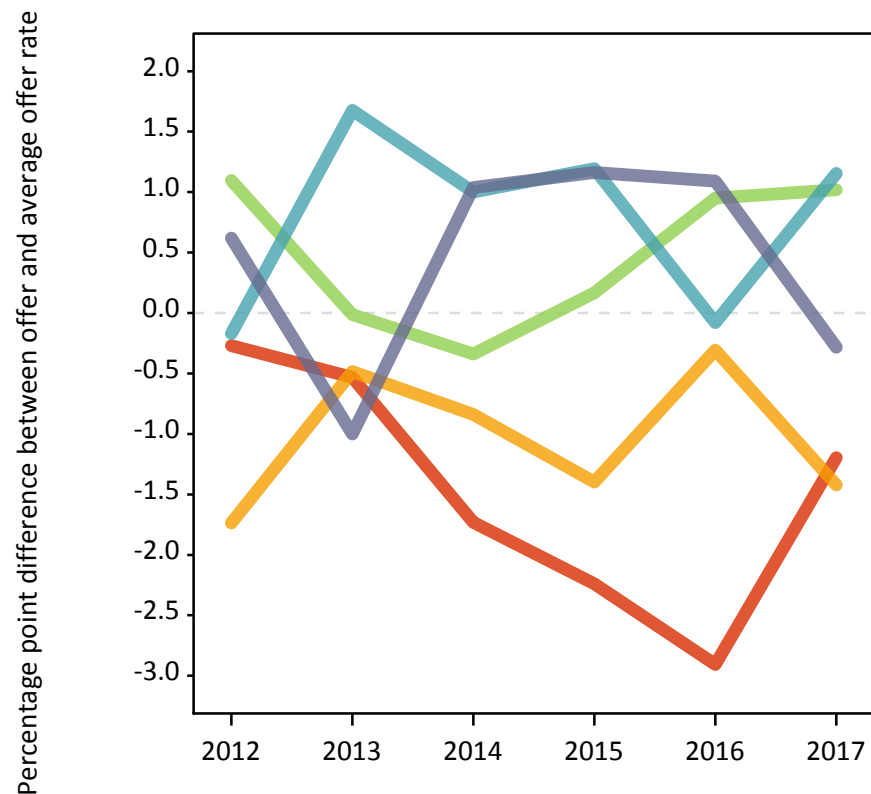
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- Quintile 5



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.

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



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	625	610	650	515	635	585
	Black	675	640	825	870	1,145	1,300
	Mixed	250	240	290	240	340	300
	White	5,355	5,360	5,245	4,230	4,560	4,045
	Other	65	60	70	45	65	75
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	85	80	90	90	90	70
	Black	110	115	135	170	270	270
	Mixed	45	35	45	35	50	40
	White	805	815	815	680	685	535
	Other	5	10	10	5	10	5
All placed applicants	Asian	120	115	130	125	115	90
	Black	150	175	220	290	355	355
	Mixed	50	45	55	50	60	60
	White	955	925	930	825	790	625
	Other	5	10	15	15	15	10
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	96.7	92.8	95.7	72.6	88.2	79.5
	Black	240.4	215.6	271.5	272.7	366.4	413.8
	Mixed	96.0	88.8	101.5	78.2	108.0	93.5
	White	83.0	85.2	85.0	67.9	75.4	68.1
	Other	71.2	65.1	76.3	47.7	66.3	71.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	13.3	12.0	13.3	13.0	12.5	9.2
	Black	39.1	38.1	45.2	53.4	86.9	85.2
	Mixed	16.5	12.6	16.0	11.7	16.2	12.8
	White	12.4	13.0	13.2	10.9	11.3	9.0
	Other	3.4	12.1	11.8	5.2	12.1	6.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	18.7	17.3	18.9	17.8	15.7	12.1
	Black	53.3	58.3	72.9	91.1	113.4	112.2
	Mixed	19.6	15.9	18.8	15.9	19.7	18.7
	White	14.8	14.7	15.0	13.2	13.0	10.5
	Other	6.8	13.2	14.0	13.5	14.1	7.8

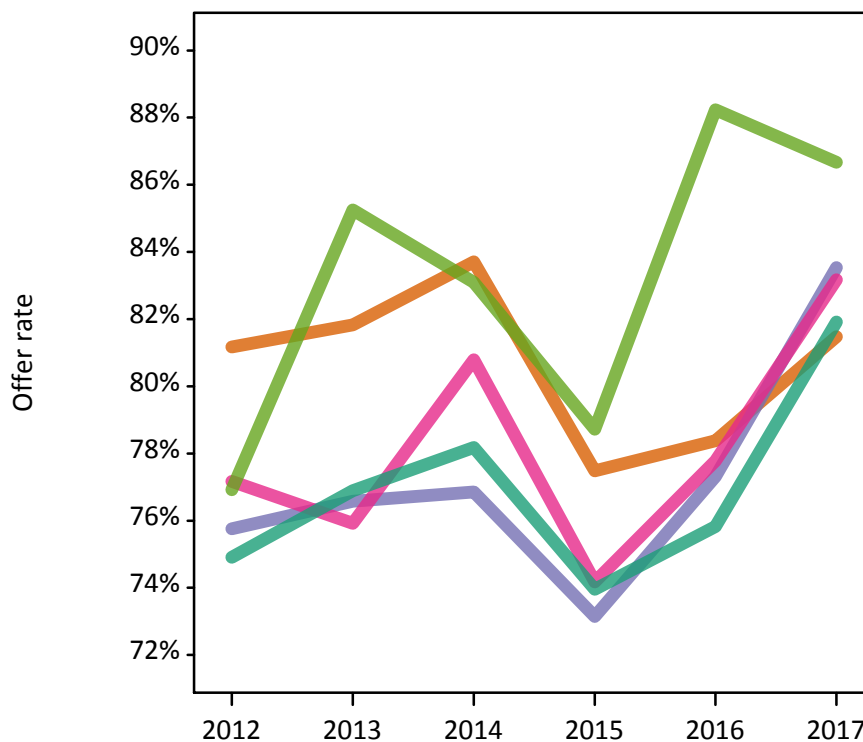
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	650	645	665	565	650	610
	Black	690	650	840	875	1,160	1,330
	Mixed	255	245	300	245	350	315
	White	5,635	5,655	5,500	4,425	4,780	4,225
	Other	65	60	70	45	70	75
Offers	Asian	525	525	555	435	510	495
	Black	520	495	645	640	895	1,110
	Mixed	195	185	245	180	275	260
	White	4,220	4,350	4,300	3,275	3,625	3,460
	Other	50	50	60	35	60	65
Offer rate	Asian	81.2%	81.8%	83.7%	77.5%	78.4%	81.5%
	Black	75.8%	76.6%	76.8%	73.1%	77.3%	83.5%
	Mixed	77.2%	75.9%	80.8%	74.2%	77.8%	83.2%
	White	74.9%	76.9%	78.2%	74.0%	75.8%	81.9%
	Other	76.9%	85.2%	83.1%	78.7%	88.2%	86.7%
Average offer rate	Asian	82.7%	81.3%	83.9%	78.0%	79.6%	84.4%
	Black	79.2%	77.5%	78.7%	73.4%	78.0%	83.3%
	Mixed	79.2%	76.9%	83.4%	75.2%	78.1%	84.4%
	White	74.2%	76.8%	77.6%	73.7%	75.5%	81.5%
	Other	81.4%	83.5%	86.6%	80.8%	85.0%	87.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-1.5	0.5	-0.2	-0.5	-1.3	-2.9
	Black	-3.4	-0.9	-1.9	-0.3	-0.7	0.3
	Mixed	-2.1	-0.9	-2.6	-1.1	-0.3	-1.2
	White	0.7	0.1	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.4
	Other	-4.5	1.8	-3.5	N/A	3.2	-0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.251	0.210	0.194	0.225	0.192	0.192
	Black	0.213	0.212	0.228	0.276	0.294	0.340
	Mixed	0.133	0.111	0.123	0.128	0.125	0.129
	White	0.816	0.815	0.783	0.767	0.734	0.715
	Other	0.128	0.106	0.108	0.110	0.084	0.079

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 2012-2017.

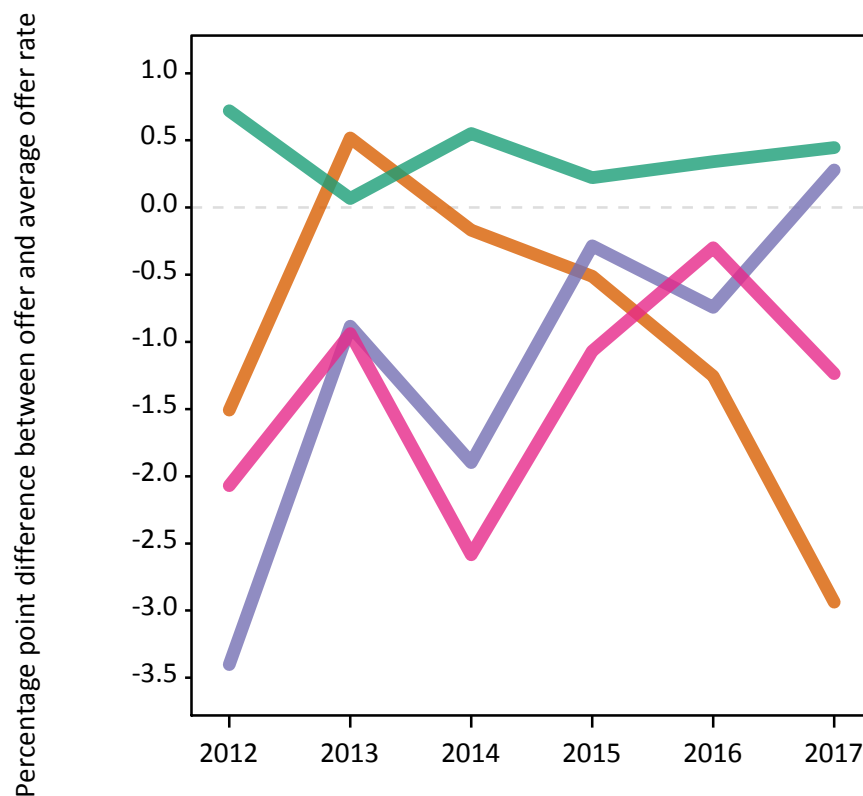
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- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group

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

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	14,720	15,115	14,900	13,015	14,320	12,650
Placed June deadline applicants	2,370	2,545	2,585	2,385	2,650	2,165
All placed applicants	2,945	3,080	3,230	3,175	3,230	2,770

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	15,905	16,255	16,100	13,920	15,305	13,565
Offers	9,845	10,425	10,560	8,635	9,825	9,700
Offer rate	61.9%	64.1%	65.6%	62.0%	64.2%	71.5%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	5,405	5,195	5,015	4,280	4,970	4,160
	Women	9,315	9,920	9,880	8,740	9,355	8,490
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	905	975	925	840	945	725
	Women	1,465	1,570	1,660	1,545	1,705	1,440
All placed applicants	Men	1,145	1,205	1,185	1,180	1,190	930
	Women	1,800	1,875	2,045	1,995	2,040	1,840

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	5,855	5,610	5,445	4,600	5,360	4,445
	Women	10,050	10,645	10,655	9,320	9,945	9,120
Offers	Men	4,180	4,320	4,235	3,340	4,025	3,615
	Women	5,670	6,110	6,330	5,300	5,800	6,085
Offer rate	Men	71.4%	77.0%	77.8%	72.6%	75.1%	81.3%
	Women	56.4%	57.4%	59.4%	56.8%	58.3%	66.7%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,150	2,295	2,275	1,995	2,205	1,910
	Quintile 2	2,965	3,225	3,020	2,705	2,915	2,610
	Quintile 3	3,290	3,365	3,345	3,005	3,340	3,100
	Quintile 4	3,330	3,245	3,420	2,855	3,160	2,720
	Quintile 5	2,955	2,950	2,805	2,435	2,655	2,240
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	385	415	435	395	410	325
	Quintile 2	495	560	495	485	545	425
	Quintile 3	565	570	605	580	665	550
	Quintile 4	495	560	615	530	575	515
	Quintile 5	425	435	430	395	445	330
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	475	505	515	495	505	420
	Quintile 2	605	650	635	655	655	540
	Quintile 3	695	695	755	790	815	725
	Quintile 4	615	675	750	695	710	640
	Quintile 5	545	545	555	530	530	425

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,385	2,585	2,525	2,210	2,415	2,105
	Quintile 2	3,205	3,480	3,295	2,910	3,135	2,825
	Quintile 3	3,560	3,610	3,625	3,195	3,540	3,310
	Quintile 4	3,610	3,445	3,680	3,045	3,370	2,915
	Quintile 5	3,110	3,100	2,945	2,535	2,790	2,335
Offers	Quintile 1	1,345	1,525	1,460	1,195	1,380	1,420
	Quintile 2	1,820	2,130	2,000	1,655	1,895	1,890
	Quintile 3	2,265	2,335	2,415	2,025	2,320	2,430
	Quintile 4	2,275	2,295	2,540	1,990	2,235	2,130
	Quintile 5	2,120	2,120	2,125	1,755	1,960	1,775
Offer rate	Quintile 1	56.4%	59.1%	57.9%	54.1%	57.2%	67.3%
	Quintile 2	56.8%	61.2%	60.7%	56.8%	60.5%	66.8%
	Quintile 3	63.6%	64.7%	66.7%	63.4%	65.6%	73.4%
	Quintile 4	63.0%	66.6%	69.0%	65.3%	66.3%	73.1%
	Quintile 5	68.2%	68.4%	72.2%	69.3%	70.2%	76.0%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,400	1,415	1,345	1,155	1,315	1,160
	Black	2,505	2,540	2,750	2,855	3,440	3,450
	Mixed	595	570	625	510	660	615
	White	10,000	10,365	9,955	8,285	8,665	7,195
	Other	160	155	160	125	155	160
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	195	200	200	205	205	145
	Black	405	435	470	520	710	670
	Mixed	95	95	105	95	115	110
	White	1,655	1,775	1,780	1,535	1,580	1,205
	Other	15	25	20	20	25	15
All placed applicants	Asian	270	270	295	295	265	190
	Black	550	615	685	825	925	930
	Mixed	115	120	125	130	150	140
	White	1,980	2,025	2,080	1,865	1,840	1,455
	Other	20	35	25	35	30	30

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	1,500	1,500	1,395	1,250	1,385	1,220
	Black	2,740	2,745	2,980	3,020	3,615	3,655
	Mixed	630	615	685	530	705	675
	White	10,790	11,160	10,795	8,880	9,350	7,770
	Other	170	160	175	135	160	165
Offers	Asian	1,055	1,045	1,030	810	940	900
	Black	1,385	1,410	1,580	1,510	2,005	2,370
	Mixed	400	395	460	345	480	505
	White	6,860	7,420	7,345	5,825	6,240	5,745
	Other	105	110	110	85	105	130
Offer rate	Asian	70.2%	69.8%	73.9%	65.0%	67.8%	73.6%
	Black	50.5%	51.4%	53.0%	50.1%	55.5%	64.8%
	Mixed	63.6%	64.8%	66.7%	65.4%	68.1%	75.2%
	White	63.6%	66.5%	68.0%	65.6%	66.7%	73.9%
	Other	61.4%	67.3%	64.2%	61.3%	65.4%	78.5%

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 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.