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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	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	0	0	5,100	5,000	5,075	5,175
Placed June deadline applicants	0	0	1,470	1,290	1,260	1,310
All placed applicants	0	0	1,700	1,520	1,510	1,510
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	0.0	0.0	67.7	65.3	67.7	69.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	0.0	0.0	19.5	16.8	16.8	17.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	0.0	0.0	22.5	19.9	20.2	20.4

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	0	0	6,445	6,145	6,075	6,260
Offers	0	0	5,160	5,155	5,065	5,260
Offer rate	N/A	N/A	80.0%	83.9%	83.4%	84.0%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	0	0	2,205	2,150	2,080	2,170
	Women	0	0	2,900	2,850	2,995	3,000
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	0	0	685	590	525	580
	Women	0	0	785	700	735	730
All placed applicants	Men	0	0	795	685	630	650
	Women	0	0	905	835	885	860
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	0.0	0.0	56.9	54.8	54.1	57.2
	Women	0.0	0.0	79.2	76.3	82.0	83.1
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	0.0	0.0	17.7	15.0	13.6	15.3
	Women	0.0	0.0	21.4	18.7	20.2	20.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	0.0	0.0	20.5	17.5	16.3	17.1
	Women	0.0	0.0	24.7	22.3	24.2	23.8

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	0	0	2,910	2,730	2,570	2,710
	Women	0	0	3,535	3,415	3,505	3,550
Offers	Men	0	0	2,475	2,510	2,290	2,415
	Women	0	0	2,680	2,645	2,780	2,840
Offer rate	Men	N/A	N/A	85.1%	92.0%	89.0%	89.2%
	Women	N/A	N/A	75.8%	77.4%	79.3%	80.1%
Average offer rate	Men	N/A	N/A	85.7%	91.7%	90.2%	89.8%
	Women	N/A	N/A	75.4%	77.6%	78.4%	79.7%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	N/A	N/A	-0.6	0.3	-1.2	-0.6
	Women	N/A	N/A	0.5	-0.2	0.9	0.4
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	N/A	N/A	0.685	0.700	0.664	0.665
	Women	N/A	N/A	0.741	0.760	0.753	0.744

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

Note: This graph has not been plotted because all groups have fewer than 10 applications in at least one of the years from 2012-2017.

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

Note: This graph has not been plotted because all groups have fewer than 50 applications in at least one 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	0	0	965	960	965	995
	Quintile 2	0	0	1,205	1,185	1,225	1,200
	Quintile 3	0	0	1,040	955	1,025	1,030
	Quintile 4	0	0	1,005	1,000	955	990
	Quintile 5	0	0	875	890	900	950
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	0	0	305	285	255	270
	Quintile 2	0	0	390	310	335	340
	Quintile 3	0	0	280	250	265	265
	Quintile 4	0	0	255	225	205	245
	Quintile 5	0	0	240	210	195	190
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	0	0	350	335	320	320
	Quintile 2	0	0	450	370	395	385
	Quintile 3	0	0	315	295	320	305
	Quintile 4	0	0	305	260	245	285
	Quintile 5	0	0	280	260	225	215
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	0.0	0.0	69.4	68.5	71.6	74.8
	Quintile 2	0.0	0.0	82.4	79.7	84.6	84.5
	Quintile 3	0.0	0.0	69.2	62.2	68.1	69.0
	Quintile 4	0.0	0.0	65.2	63.9	61.7	65.0
	Quintile 5	0.0	0.0	53.7	53.3	54.5	57.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	0.0	0.0	22.0	20.4	19.0	20.5
	Quintile 2	0.0	0.0	26.5	20.9	23.2	23.8
	Quintile 3	0.0	0.0	18.6	16.3	17.7	17.7
	Quintile 4	0.0	0.0	16.4	14.5	13.4	16.0
	Quintile 5	0.0	0.0	14.7	12.7	11.7	11.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	0.0	0.0	25.3	23.8	23.7	24.2
	Quintile 2	0.0	0.0	30.7	24.8	27.5	27.0
	Quintile 3	0.0	0.0	20.8	19.3	21.3	20.4
	Quintile 4	0.0	0.0	19.7	16.6	15.9	18.6
	Quintile 5	0.0	0.0	17.0	15.6	13.7	13.0

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	0	0	1,270	1,235	1,220	1,290
	Quintile 2	0	0	1,600	1,520	1,530	1,495
	Quintile 3	0	0	1,315	1,185	1,225	1,230
	Quintile 4	0	0	1,220	1,170	1,080	1,155
	Quintile 5	0	0	1,035	1,025	1,015	1,075
Offers	Quintile 1	0	0	995	1,030	995	1,075
	Quintile 2	0	0	1,255	1,235	1,270	1,260
	Quintile 3	0	0	1,065	995	1,030	1,030
	Quintile 4	0	0	995	1,000	900	985
	Quintile 5	0	0	840	890	870	900
Offer rate	Quintile 1	N/A	N/A	78.6%	83.2%	81.4%	83.3%
	Quintile 2	N/A	N/A	78.3%	81.1%	83.0%	84.3%
	Quintile 3	N/A	N/A	81.1%	84.0%	84.1%	83.8%
	Quintile 4	N/A	N/A	81.4%	85.6%	83.2%	85.1%
	Quintile 5	N/A	N/A	81.4%	86.7%	85.7%	83.7%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	N/A	N/A	79.8%	83.9%	82.6%	84.6%
	Quintile 2	N/A	N/A	78.7%	82.2%	82.3%	84.1%
	Quintile 3	N/A	N/A	80.8%	83.8%	83.8%	83.3%
	Quintile 4	N/A	N/A	80.6%	84.4%	83.1%	84.5%
	Quintile 5	N/A	N/A	80.8%	85.9%	85.7%	83.6%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	N/A	N/A	-1.2	-0.7	-1.2	-1.3
	Quintile 2	N/A	N/A	-0.4	-1.1	0.7	0.2
	Quintile 3	N/A	N/A	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4
	Quintile 4	N/A	N/A	0.8	1.3	0.2	0.7
	Quintile 5	N/A	N/A	0.7	0.9	-0.0	0.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	N/A	N/A	0.315	0.323	0.318	0.316
	Quintile 2	N/A	N/A	0.365	0.357	0.361	0.336
	Quintile 3	N/A	N/A	0.311	0.311	0.313	0.290
	Quintile 4	N/A	N/A	0.321	0.315	0.306	0.284
	Quintile 5	N/A	N/A	0.299	0.317	0.298	0.308

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

Note: This graph has not been plotted because all groups have fewer than 10 applications in at least one of the years from 2012-2017.

P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	0	0	175	165	180	225
	Black	0	0	55	85	80	100
	Mixed	0	0	105	125	130	130
	White	0	0	4,725	4,585	4,630	4,670
	Other	0	0	25	35	35	35
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	0	0	45	35	40	50
	Black	0	0	15	15	15	15
	Mixed	0	0	20	25	30	30
	White	0	0	1,375	1,205	1,165	1,210
	Other	0	0	10	10	5	5
All placed applicants	Asian	0	0	55	50	50	60
	Black	0	0	20	20	25	25
	Mixed	0	0	25	30	40	35
	White	0	0	1,580	1,405	1,380	1,380
	Other	0	0	10	10	15	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	0.0	0.0	25.8	23.0	25.3	30.3
	Black	0.0	0.0	18.5	26.4	26.2	31.5
	Mixed	0.0	0.0	36.5	40.5	41.3	40.8
	White	0.0	0.0	76.6	73.6	76.6	78.7
	Other	0.0	0.0	27.9	34.2	35.2	35.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	0.0	0.0	6.5	5.1	5.3	6.7
	Black	0.0	0.0	4.6	4.4	5.4	4.8
	Mixed	0.0	0.0	7.0	8.1	10.2	8.7
	White	0.0	0.0	22.3	19.3	19.2	20.4
	Other	0.0	0.0	9.7	9.3	7.0	5.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	0.0	0.0	8.1	7.1	6.9	8.4
	Black	0.0	0.0	7.3	6.9	7.3	7.3
	Mixed	0.0	0.0	9.4	9.7	12.4	11.2
	White	0.0	0.0	25.6	22.6	22.8	23.3
	Other	0.0	0.0	10.7	11.4	13.1	6.8

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	0	0	215	195	215	260
	Black	0	0	70	90	105	110
	Mixed	0	0	125	150	160	160
	White	0	0	5,985	5,650	5,535	5,670
	Other	0	0	35	50	45	45
Offers	Asian	0	0	165	160	170	200
	Black	0	0	50	60	60	80
	Mixed	0	0	95	130	125	135
	White	0	0	4,805	4,745	4,665	4,795
	Other	0	0	30	45	35	35
Offer rate	Asian	N/A	N/A	76.2%	83.1%	79.0%	77.2%
	Black	N/A	N/A	74.3%	69.3%	56.7%	75.2%
	Mixed	N/A	N/A	74.4%	87.3%	77.0%	83.9%
	White	N/A	N/A	80.3%	84.0%	84.3%	84.6%
	Other	N/A	N/A	82.4%	88.5%	80.0%	79.1%
Average offer rate	Asian	N/A	N/A	82.0%	86.7%	85.4%	84.3%
	Black	N/A	N/A	82.4%	79.6%	79.4%	86.9%
	Mixed	N/A	N/A	78.6%	85.1%	83.3%	83.7%
	White	N/A	N/A	80.0%	83.7%	83.4%	83.9%
	Other	N/A	N/A	81.6%	90.3%	86.2%	89.7%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	N/A	N/A	-5.8	-3.6	-6.4	-7.1
	Black	N/A	N/A	-8.1	-10.3	-22.7	-11.7
	Mixed	N/A	N/A	-4.2	2.2	-6.3	0.2
	White	N/A	N/A	0.4	0.2	0.9	0.6
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	-1.9	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	N/A	N/A	0.210	0.224	0.169	0.189
	Black	N/A	N/A	0.162	0.143	0.161	0.155
	Mixed	N/A	N/A	0.142	0.161	0.151	0.135
	White	N/A	N/A	0.940	0.934	0.926	0.922
	Other	N/A	N/A	0.096	0.226	0.213	0.113

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

Note: This graph has not been plotted because all groups have fewer than 10 applications in at least one of the years from 2012-2017.

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

Note: This graph has not been plotted because all groups have fewer than 50 applications in at least one of the years from 2012-2017.

P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	0	0	10,925	10,340	10,500	10,255
Placed June deadline applicants	0	0	3,290	2,985	2,775	2,825
All placed applicants	0	0	3,900	3,685	3,340	3,390

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	0	0	14,035	13,020	12,825	12,520
Offers	0	0	9,480	9,475	9,140	9,375
Offer rate	N/A	N/A	67.5%	72.8%	71.3%	74.9%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	0	0	4,555	4,295	4,185	4,130
	Women	0	0	6,370	6,040	6,315	6,125
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	0	0	1,515	1,335	1,165	1,215
	Women	0	0	1,775	1,650	1,605	1,610
All placed applicants	Men	0	0	1,800	1,650	1,435	1,420
	Women	0	0	2,100	2,030	1,905	1,965

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	0	0	6,020	5,570	5,270	5,215
	Women	0	0	8,020	7,450	7,555	7,305
Offers	Men	0	0	4,555	4,615	4,165	4,310
	Women	0	0	4,925	4,860	4,970	5,065
Offer rate	Men	N/A	N/A	75.7%	82.8%	79.1%	82.6%
	Women	N/A	N/A	61.4%	65.2%	65.8%	69.3%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	0	0	2,300	2,180	2,200	2,115
	Quintile 2	0	0	2,570	2,525	2,575	2,485
	Quintile 3	0	0	2,095	1,940	2,040	1,975
	Quintile 4	0	0	2,055	1,920	1,885	1,880
	Quintile 5	0	0	1,880	1,745	1,775	1,760
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	0	0	775	710	610	625
	Quintile 2	0	0	835	750	735	765
	Quintile 3	0	0	575	555	540	540
	Quintile 4	0	0	565	505	445	500
	Quintile 5	0	0	540	460	435	390
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	0	0	915	890	745	770
	Quintile 2	0	0	980	915	875	900
	Quintile 3	0	0	680	660	645	635
	Quintile 4	0	0	680	605	545	600
	Quintile 5	0	0	640	605	525	470

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	0	0	3,065	2,895	2,815	2,730
	Quintile 2	0	0	3,440	3,270	3,245	3,115
	Quintile 3	0	0	2,685	2,475	2,450	2,390
	Quintile 4	0	0	2,525	2,285	2,240	2,195
	Quintile 5	0	0	2,290	2,070	2,045	2,045
Offers	Quintile 1	0	0	1,980	2,055	1,955	1,970
	Quintile 2	0	0	2,290	2,305	2,280	2,355
	Quintile 3	0	0	1,810	1,805	1,735	1,785
	Quintile 4	0	0	1,745	1,720	1,625	1,665
	Quintile 5	0	0	1,640	1,575	1,520	1,570
Offer rate	Quintile 1	N/A	N/A	64.5%	70.9%	69.3%	72.1%
	Quintile 2	N/A	N/A	66.6%	70.4%	70.3%	75.6%
	Quintile 3	N/A	N/A	67.3%	73.0%	70.9%	74.8%
	Quintile 4	N/A	N/A	69.2%	75.2%	72.6%	75.8%
	Quintile 5	N/A	N/A	71.7%	76.2%	74.4%	76.7%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	0	0	430	410	435	485
	Black	0	0	305	355	380	365
	Mixed	0	0	260	255	285	275
	White	0	0	9,790	9,200	9,260	8,975
	Other	0	0	90	80	90	100
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	0	0	110	95	80	120
	Black	0	0	65	65	70	70
	Mixed	0	0	75	75	65	65
	White	0	0	3,000	2,725	2,530	2,540
	Other	0	0	20	20	15	25
All placed applicants	Asian	0	0	140	135	110	155
	Black	0	0	100	110	100	100
	Mixed	0	0	95	90	85	80
	White	0	0	3,510	3,310	3,005	3,010
	Other	0	0	30	25	25	25

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	0	0	565	505	515	575
	Black	0	0	395	430	455	410
	Mixed	0	0	340	325	345	330
	White	0	0	12,550	11,595	11,330	11,030
	Other	0	0	120	115	120	115
Offers	Asian	0	0	375	365	335	400
	Black	0	0	180	205	175	205
	Mixed	0	0	230	240	235	250
	White	0	0	8,580	8,545	8,290	8,395
	Other	0	0	75	80	70	80
Offer rate	Asian	N/A	N/A	66.4%	72.4%	65.1%	69.6%
	Black	N/A	N/A	45.8%	47.9%	38.9%	50.7%
	Mixed	N/A	N/A	67.8%	74.3%	67.6%	75.7%
	White	N/A	N/A	68.3%	73.7%	73.2%	76.1%
	Other	N/A	N/A	62.5%	70.7%	57.4%	69.2%

Technical Notes and Definitions

UCAS undergraduate scheme

Adjustment

Adjustment allows applicants who have met and exceeded the terms of their conditional firm offer to seek and find a place at another provider whilst keeping their place at their original firm choice provider.

Clearing

Clearing is a route for applicants that are not placed and holding no offers to find a place on courses with vacancies.

Cycle year

The UCAS application cycle which runs from September to October the following year. For example the 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.