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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	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	5,115	4,260	4,100	4,040	3,950	3,825
Placed June deadline applicants	1,185	1,100	985	1,035	1,030	865
All placed applicants	1,345	1,300	1,140	1,175	1,155	995
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	67.2	56.6	53.5	53.9	53.3	53.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	15.5	14.6	12.9	13.8	13.9	12.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	17.7	17.3	14.9	15.7	15.6	13.8

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	5,535	4,690	4,475	4,365	4,275	4,170
Offers	5,400	4,580	4,390	4,290	4,210	4,055
Offer rate	97.6%	97.7%	98.1%	98.3%	98.5%	97.3%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	2,485	2,055	1,895	1,755	1,695	1,705
	Women	2,630	2,205	2,205	2,280	2,250	2,120
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	635	585	490	450	480	405
	Women	550	515	495	585	550	465
All placed applicants	Men	715	690	570	525	550	460
	Women	630	610	575	650	605	535
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	63.6	53.1	48.3	45.7	44.7	46.0
	Women	70.9	60.2	59.1	62.4	62.4	60.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	16.3	15.1	12.5	11.7	12.6	10.9
	Women	14.8	14.0	13.2	16.0	15.3	13.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	18.3	17.9	14.5	13.7	14.5	12.4
	Women	17.0	16.7	15.3	17.8	16.8	15.2

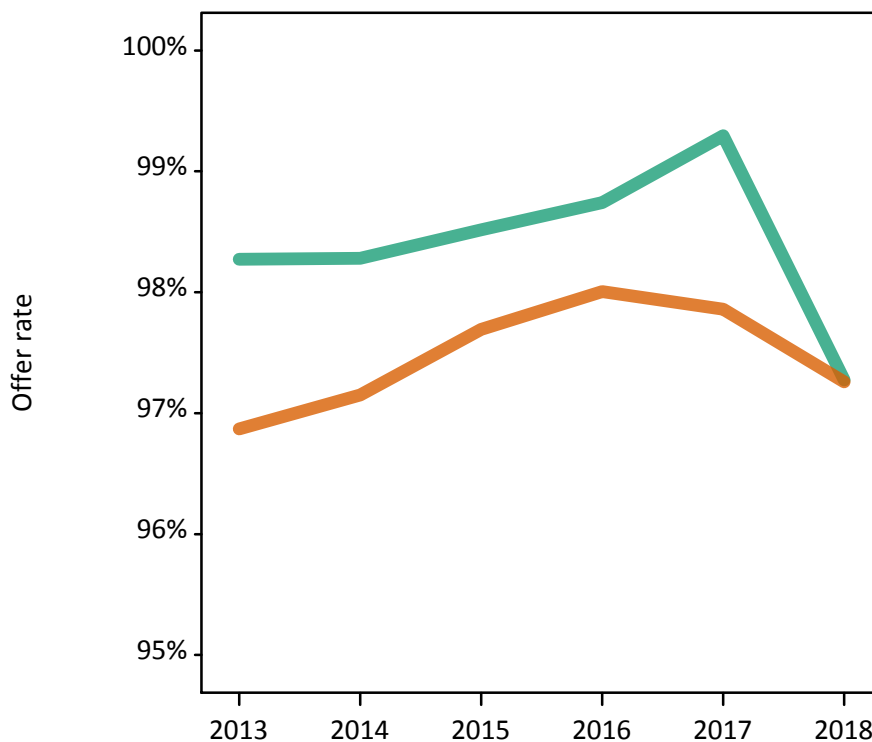
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	2,720	2,270	2,090	1,905	1,845	1,870
	Women	2,810	2,420	2,385	2,460	2,430	2,300
Offers	Men	2,675	2,230	2,060	1,880	1,830	1,820
	Women	2,725	2,350	2,330	2,410	2,380	2,235
Offer rate	Men	98.3%	98.3%	98.5%	98.7%	99.3%	97.3%
	Women	96.9%	97.1%	97.7%	98.0%	97.9%	97.3%
Average offer rate	Men	97.9%	97.9%	98.5%	98.6%	99.1%	97.5%
	Women	97.2%	97.5%	97.7%	98.2%	98.0%	97.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.2	-0.3
	Women	-0.3	-0.3	-0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.2
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.654	0.649	0.654	0.625	0.634	0.621
	Women	0.665	0.672	0.696	0.709	0.722	0.691

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 2013-2018.

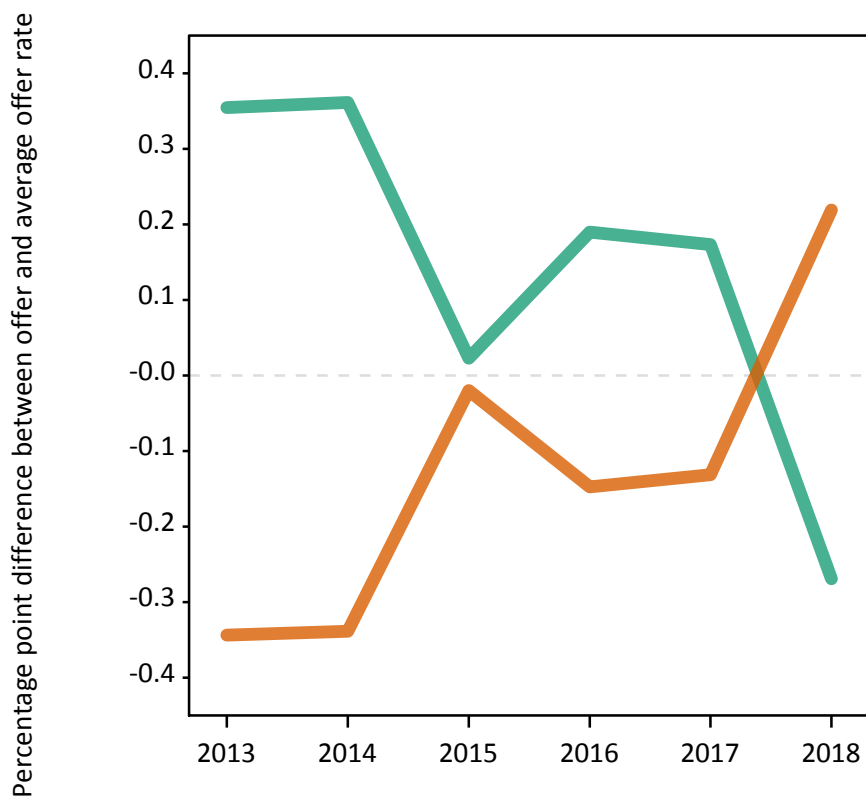
Men
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	575	555	575	580	530	550
	Quintile 2	920	830	790	800	735	685
	Quintile 3	1,140	1,045	950	970	925	900
	Quintile 4	1,200	895	890	850	875	840
	Quintile 5	1,270	930	890	830	870	835
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	135	145	130	135	120	125
	Quintile 2	210	195	190	205	210	180
	Quintile 3	280	330	245	270	245	210
	Quintile 4	285	220	230	240	235	175
	Quintile 5	270	205	185	185	220	175
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	155	160	150	165	130	140
	Quintile 2	220	230	215	230	235	205
	Quintile 3	330	365	285	295	270	230
	Quintile 4	320	270	255	275	270	215
	Quintile 5	310	270	230	215	255	205
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	40.7	39.5	40.8	42.7	39.5	42.4
	Quintile 2	63.4	57.9	54.1	56.4	52.8	50.7
	Quintile 3	76.6	71.3	63.5	66.3	63.9	63.7
	Quintile 4	77.9	58.8	57.3	55.8	58.0	57.1
	Quintile 5	73.8	54.5	51.1	48.2	50.8	49.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	9.6	10.4	9.3	9.8	9.1	9.7
	Quintile 2	14.3	13.4	13.1	14.3	15.0	13.4
	Quintile 3	18.8	22.5	16.4	18.6	16.8	14.8
	Quintile 4	18.4	14.5	14.9	15.9	15.6	11.9
	Quintile 5	15.8	12.0	10.7	10.6	12.7	10.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	10.9	11.4	10.7	12.0	9.8	10.8
	Quintile 2	15.3	16.0	14.8	16.2	16.7	15.3
	Quintile 3	22.3	24.9	19.1	20.1	18.6	16.4
	Quintile 4	20.8	17.7	16.6	18.0	17.7	14.4
	Quintile 5	18.1	16.0	13.3	12.3	14.8	12.1

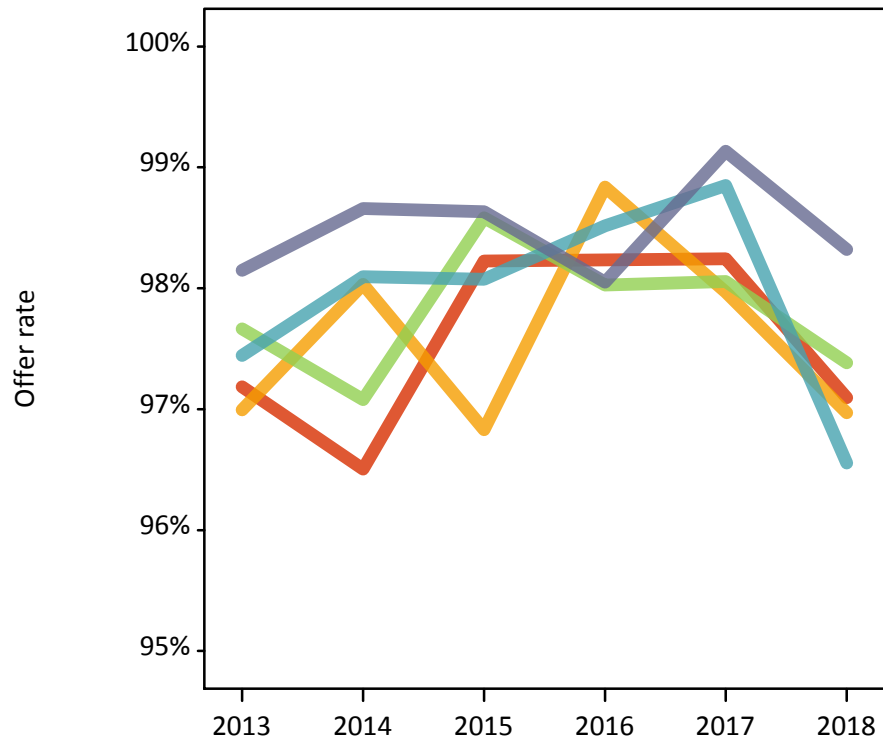
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	605	600	620	620	570	585
	Quintile 2	1,000	915	850	860	790	760
	Quintile 3	1,240	1,200	1,060	1,065	1,030	995
	Quintile 4	1,330	1,000	985	945	955	930
	Quintile 5	1,350	970	950	870	920	895
Offers	Quintile 1	585	580	610	610	560	570
	Quintile 2	970	895	825	850	770	735
	Quintile 3	1,210	1,165	1,045	1,045	1,010	970
	Quintile 4	1,295	980	970	930	945	895
	Quintile 5	1,325	955	940	855	915	880
Offer rate	Quintile 1	97.2%	96.5%	98.2%	98.2%	98.2%	97.1%
	Quintile 2	97.0%	98.0%	96.8%	98.8%	98.0%	97.0%
	Quintile 3	97.7%	97.1%	98.6%	98.0%	98.1%	97.4%
	Quintile 4	97.4%	98.1%	98.1%	98.5%	98.9%	96.6%
	Quintile 5	98.1%	98.7%	98.6%	98.1%	99.1%	98.3%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	96.9%	97.2%	97.8%	98.2%	98.1%	96.9%
	Quintile 2	97.2%	97.7%	97.7%	98.3%	98.3%	97.2%
	Quintile 3	97.4%	97.6%	98.1%	98.4%	98.4%	97.5%
	Quintile 4	97.6%	97.8%	98.4%	98.4%	98.7%	97.1%
	Quintile 5	98.2%	98.1%	98.4%	98.2%	98.7%	97.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.3	-0.7	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.2
	Quintile 2	-0.2	0.3	-0.9	0.5	-0.3	-0.2
	Quintile 3	0.3	-0.5	0.5	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1
	Quintile 4	-0.2	0.3	-0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.6
	Quintile 5	-0.0	0.5	0.2	-0.2	0.4	0.8
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.255	0.285	0.294	0.300	0.293	0.258
	Quintile 2	0.303	0.315	0.332	0.327	0.347	0.289
	Quintile 3	0.330	0.375	0.355	0.388	0.383	0.344
	Quintile 4	0.350	0.344	0.342	0.357	0.366	0.330
	Quintile 5	0.361	0.358	0.363	0.345	0.377	0.345

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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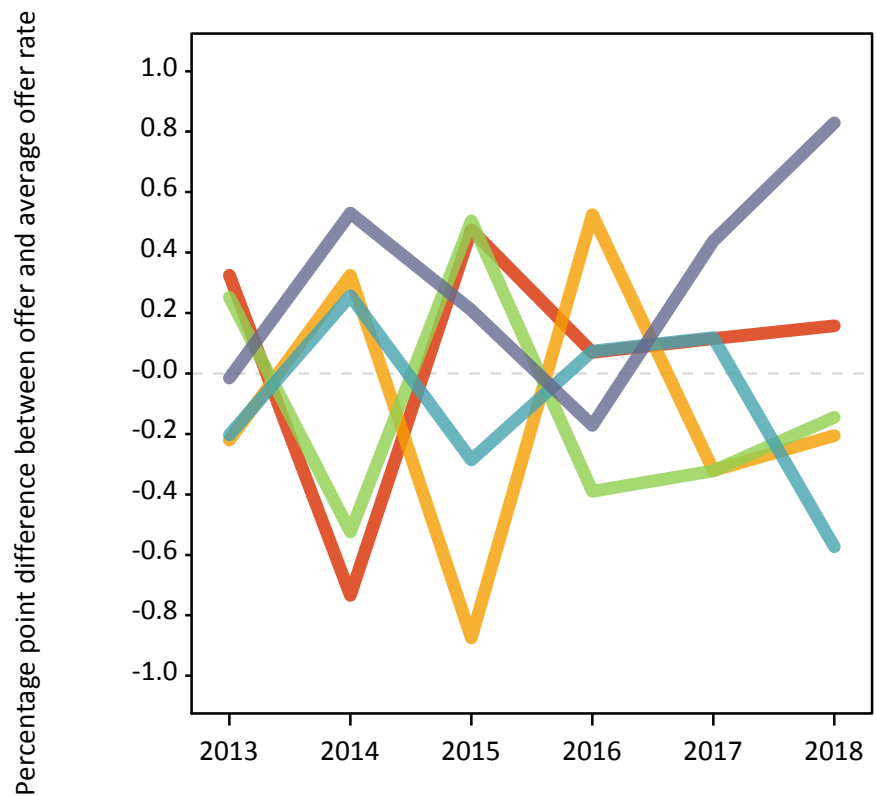
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- Quintile 5



P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.

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



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	85	75	80	80	70	95
	Black	35	35	35	30	30	40
	Mixed	90	95	85	80	95	105
	White	4,870	4,030	3,875	3,815	3,705	3,545
	Other	15	10	10	15	20	15
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	10	15	10	15	15	10
	Black	5	5	5	5	0	5
	Mixed	15	30	20	15	25	20
	White	1,140	1,045	940	995	985	825
	Other	5	0	5	5	0	5
All placed applicants	Asian	20	25	20	20	20	15
	Black	10	15	10	10	5	10
	Mixed	25	30	25	20	30	30
	White	1,275	1,220	1,075	1,120	1,090	930
	Other	5	5	5	5	0	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	13.2	11.4	11.2	11.4	9.5	12.7
	Black	11.8	11.2	11.6	9.3	8.9	13.1
	Mixed	32.5	33.7	27.2	25.1	29.9	32.8
	White	77.4	65.3	62.2	63.1	62.5	61.7
	Other	16.5	8.6	10.4	16.1	18.4	16.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	1.8	2.2	1.6	2.2	1.9	1.1
	Black	1.3	2.0	1.6	1.6	0.0	1.3
	Mixed	6.3	9.7	7.1	4.1	7.5	6.5
	White	18.1	16.9	15.1	16.4	16.6	14.3
	Other	3.3	0.0	4.1	6.0	0.0	2.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	3.2	3.8	2.8	2.5	2.6	1.9
	Black	3.7	4.6	3.1	3.2	1.6	2.6
	Mixed	8.5	11.1	8.4	5.7	9.3	8.7
	White	20.3	19.8	17.2	18.5	18.4	16.2
	Other	3.3	3.2	4.1	7.0	0.0	3.8

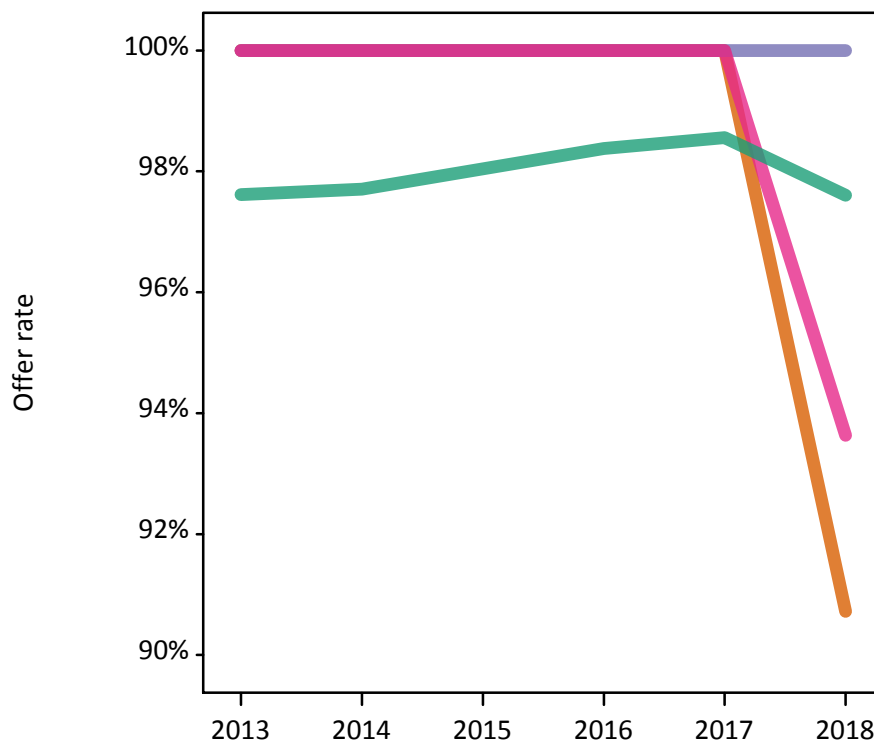
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	90	80	80	90	70	95
	Black	35	35	35	30	30	40
	Mixed	90	100	90	80	100	110
	White	5,285	4,450	4,240	4,130	4,025	3,880
	Other	15	10	10	15	20	15
Offers	Asian	90	80	80	85	70	90
	Black	35	35	35	25	30	40
	Mixed	85	95	90	80	100	105
	White	5,160	4,350	4,160	4,065	3,970	3,785
	Other	15	10	10	15	15	15
Offer rate	Asian	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	90.7%
	Black	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
	Mixed	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	93.6%
	White	97.6%	97.7%	98.0%	98.4%	98.6%	97.6%
	Other	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Average offer rate	Asian	98.4%	95.2%	97.9%	99.2%	98.6%	97.2%
	Black	96.0%	98.2%	97.6%	93.8%	98.7%	96.7%
	Mixed	97.2%	97.1%	98.7%	98.2%	98.2%	95.5%
	White	97.6%	97.7%	98.1%	98.3%	98.5%	97.3%
	Other	98.8%	N/A	99.8%	95.6%	96.0%	93.6%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	1.6	4.8	2.1	0.8	1.4	-6.5
	Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Mixed	2.8	2.9	1.3	1.8	1.8	-1.8
	White	0.1	-0.0	-0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.227	0.239	0.222	0.217	0.205	0.162
	Black	0.128	0.186	0.184	0.246	0.204	0.156
	Mixed	0.172	0.169	0.185	0.212	0.217	0.231
	White	0.964	0.960	0.958	0.958	0.954	0.942
	Other	0.179	N/A	0.262	0.180	0.195	0.107

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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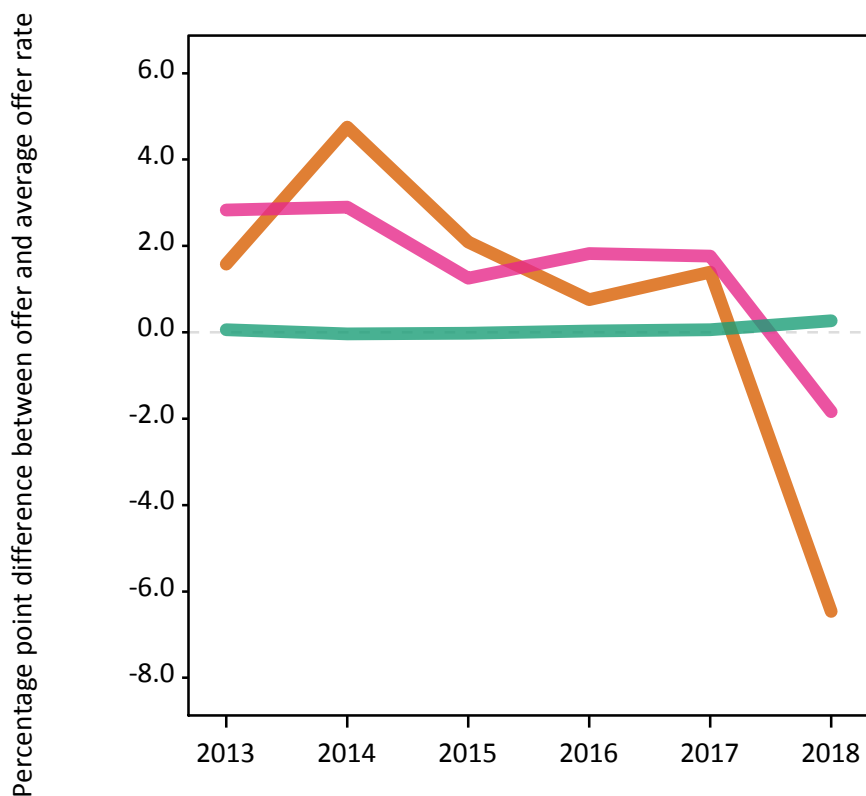
- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



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 2013-2018.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	7,380	6,145	5,955	5,840	5,515	5,350
Placed June deadline applicants	1,815	1,605	1,535	1,530	1,490	1,300
All placed applicants	2,100	1,940	1,855	1,800	1,720	1,540

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	8,020	6,730	6,510	6,380	6,020	5,870
Offers	7,595	6,430	6,225	6,100	5,790	5,540
Offer rate	94.7%	95.5%	95.6%	95.6%	96.1%	94.4%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	3,825	3,110	2,890	2,660	2,495	2,465
	Women	3,555	3,035	3,065	3,185	3,020	2,885
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,035	890	805	715	720	645
	Women	780	715	725	820	770	655
All placed applicants	Men	1,200	1,085	985	860	855	775
	Women	905	850	870	940	865	765

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	4,200	3,425	3,195	2,920	2,740	2,720
	Women	3,815	3,305	3,310	3,460	3,280	3,150
Offers	Men	3,985	3,285	3,055	2,800	2,640	2,550
	Women	3,610	3,145	3,165	3,300	3,145	2,990
Offer rate	Men	94.8%	95.9%	95.6%	95.9%	96.4%	93.6%
	Women	94.6%	95.2%	95.6%	95.4%	95.9%	95.0%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	945	870	925	870	770	805
	Quintile 2	1,305	1,180	1,115	1,180	1,030	985
	Quintile 3	1,625	1,445	1,360	1,365	1,285	1,220
	Quintile 4	1,700	1,290	1,280	1,200	1,205	1,140
	Quintile 5	1,795	1,350	1,265	1,220	1,210	1,185
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	240	240	230	225	190	195
	Quintile 2	320	275	285	310	280	270
	Quintile 3	425	445	375	395	355	310
	Quintile 4	420	330	355	325	335	265
	Quintile 5	400	305	280	270	320	255
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	265	265	285	270	210	235
	Quintile 2	365	335	335	355	325	320
	Quintile 3	505	500	460	455	405	360
	Quintile 4	495	415	420	385	400	320
	Quintile 5	465	410	360	325	375	305

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,015	945	1,000	950	845	870
	Quintile 2	1,425	1,285	1,220	1,275	1,110	1,085
	Quintile 3	1,785	1,650	1,505	1,505	1,430	1,355
	Quintile 4	1,875	1,425	1,415	1,340	1,320	1,255
	Quintile 5	1,910	1,410	1,355	1,300	1,295	1,290
Offers	Quintile 1	935	890	955	895	800	810
	Quintile 2	1,350	1,235	1,155	1,225	1,065	1,030
	Quintile 3	1,690	1,570	1,440	1,440	1,375	1,280
	Quintile 4	1,780	1,375	1,365	1,280	1,275	1,180
	Quintile 5	1,830	1,355	1,305	1,250	1,255	1,220
Offer rate	Quintile 1	92.3%	94.0%	95.3%	93.9%	95.0%	93.0%
	Quintile 2	94.7%	95.8%	94.6%	96.3%	95.6%	95.1%
	Quintile 3	94.9%	95.1%	95.7%	95.7%	96.2%	94.5%
	Quintile 4	94.9%	96.4%	96.5%	95.6%	96.4%	94.2%
	Quintile 5	95.7%	96.1%	96.1%	96.1%	96.9%	94.9%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	150	135	115	135	110	150
	Black	95	85	80	60	50	75
	Mixed	140	150	150	135	160	160
	White	6,925	5,730	5,560	5,440	5,120	4,900
	Other	30	15	20	30	30	30
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	30	25	25	25	20	20
	Black	20	20	20	10	5	10
	Mixed	30	40	40	25	45	35
	White	1,720	1,505	1,435	1,455	1,405	1,220
	Other	5	0	10	10	5	5
All placed applicants	Asian	45	45	40	35	30	30
	Black	35	30	30	15	10	15
	Mixed	40	45	50	30	55	45
	White	1,945	1,785	1,690	1,660	1,570	1,395
	Other	5	5	10	10	10	10

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	155	140	115	140	115	160
	Black	100	85	80	60	50	75
	Mixed	150	155	160	140	170	170
	White	7,540	6,305	6,100	5,970	5,605	5,390
	Other	30	15	20	30	35	30
Offers	Asian	145	130	110	135	100	140
	Black	80	75	75	45	50	65
	Mixed	135	145	155	140	160	150
	White	7,170	6,030	5,835	5,715	5,405	5,130
	Other	25	15	20	25	30	20
Offer rate	Asian	94.8%	95.0%	94.9%	100.0%	87.8%	86.3%
	Black	79.6%	88.5%	91.5%	75.0%	100.0%	86.7%
	Mixed	90.5%	94.8%	100.0%	100.0%	94.7%	88.9%
	White	95.1%	95.7%	95.7%	95.7%	96.4%	95.2%
	Other	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	84.8%	68.8%

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 2018 cycle runs from September 2017 through to October 2018.

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.

POLAR4 quintile

Developed by OfS, POLAR4 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). POLAR4 is based on the participation rates of young people between between 2009-10 and 2013-14 if they entered higher education aged 18, or between 2010-11 and 2014-15 if they entered aged 19, 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 POLAR4 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 2018 End of Cycle Report and the 2018 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 POLAR4 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 POLAR4 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.