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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	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	9,695	10,015	10,325	10,605	10,935	11,875
Placed June deadline applicants	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,085	2,055	2,140
All placed applicants	2,205	2,210	2,210	2,095	2,075	2,165
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	128.7	130.7	137.8	143.1	151.4	167.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	29.2	28.7	29.4	28.1	28.5	30.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	29.3	28.8	29.5	28.3	28.8	30.6

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	9,695	10,015	10,325	10,605	10,935	11,875
Offers	2,465	2,480	2,555	2,440	2,430	2,595
Offer rate	25.4%	24.8%	24.7%	23.0%	22.2%	21.8%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	4,980	5,080	5,195	5,360	5,540	5,735
	Women	4,710	4,935	5,130	5,245	5,395	6,140
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,180	1,145	1,115	1,020	1,000	960
	Women	1,015	1,055	1,085	1,065	1,060	1,180
All placed applicants	Men	1,185	1,150	1,120	1,025	1,010	970
	Women	1,020	1,060	1,090	1,070	1,070	1,195
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	128.7	129.4	135.3	141.1	149.5	158.4
	Women	128.7	132.0	140.4	145.2	153.3	177.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	30.5	29.1	29.0	26.9	27.0	26.6
	Women	27.8	28.3	29.7	29.4	30.1	34.1
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	30.6	29.3	29.2	27.0	27.2	26.7
	Women	27.9	28.4	29.9	29.6	30.4	34.6

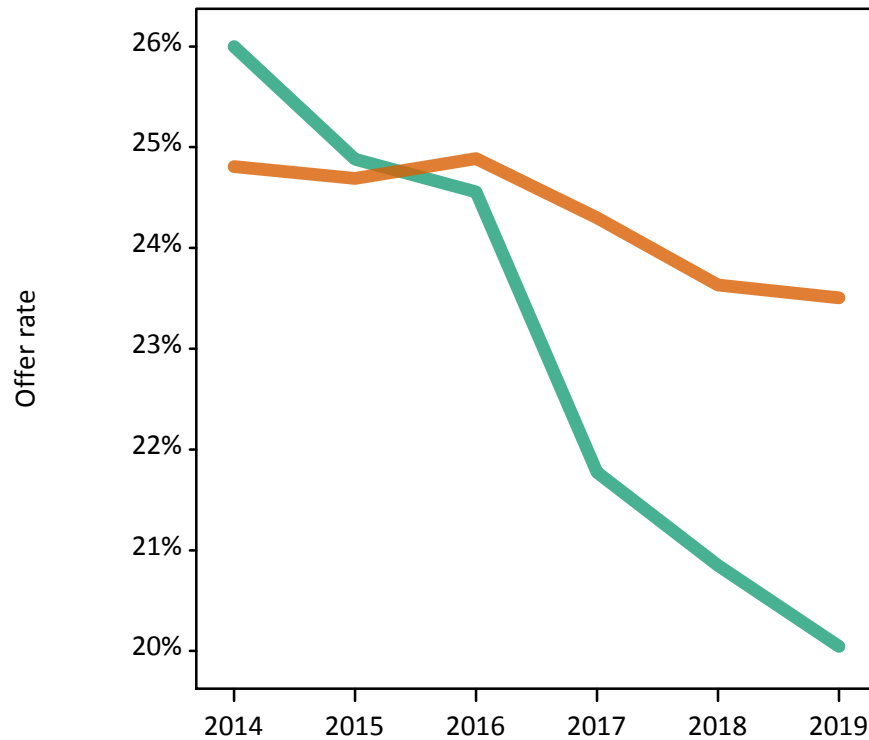
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	4,980	5,080	5,195	5,360	5,540	5,735
	Women	4,710	4,935	5,130	5,245	5,395	6,140
Offers	Men	1,295	1,265	1,275	1,165	1,155	1,150
	Women	1,170	1,220	1,275	1,275	1,275	1,445
Offer rate	Men	26.0%	24.9%	24.6%	21.8%	20.8%	20.0%
	Women	24.8%	24.7%	24.9%	24.3%	23.6%	23.5%
Average offer rate	Men	25.2%	24.2%	24.0%	21.8%	20.9%	20.8%
	Women	25.6%	25.4%	25.4%	24.2%	23.6%	22.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	0.8	0.7	0.6	-0.0	-0.0	-0.7
	Women	-0.8	-0.7	-0.6	0.1	0.0	0.7
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.593	0.595	0.585	0.587	0.596	0.572
	Women	0.569	0.583	0.580	0.578	0.586	0.600

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 2014-2019.

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 2014-2019.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	425	400	420	500	570	645
	Quintile 2	785	825	810	925	940	1,090
	Quintile 3	1,325	1,255	1,315	1,425	1,420	1,655
	Quintile 4	2,020	2,050	2,165	2,205	2,260	2,455
	Quintile 5	5,125	5,450	5,590	5,515	5,715	5,955
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	70	80	65	80	80	85
	Quintile 2	165	160	150	150	150	170
	Quintile 3	260	240	245	245	250	260
	Quintile 4	430	410	425	390	420	420
	Quintile 5	1,270	1,305	1,310	1,215	1,155	1,195
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	70	80	65	80	80	85
	Quintile 2	165	160	155	155	150	175
	Quintile 3	265	240	250	250	250	265
	Quintile 4	430	415	425	390	430	425
	Quintile 5	1,275	1,315	1,315	1,220	1,165	1,205
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	30.1	28.4	30.9	37.4	43.8	50.7
	Quintile 2	54.7	56.4	57.2	66.2	69.4	82.6
	Quintile 3	90.4	83.8	89.7	98.4	100.8	119.9
	Quintile 4	132.4	132.4	141.9	145.9	153.0	169.4
	Quintile 5	301.1	313.7	324.1	321.7	339.3	358.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	5.0	5.5	4.8	5.9	6.1	6.5
	Quintile 2	11.4	11.1	10.7	10.8	11.0	13.0
	Quintile 3	17.8	16.1	16.7	17.1	17.7	19.0
	Quintile 4	28.1	26.5	27.9	25.7	28.5	28.8
	Quintile 5	74.8	75.2	75.9	70.7	68.7	71.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	5.1	5.5	4.9	6.0	6.2	6.5
	Quintile 2	11.4	11.1	10.8	11.0	11.1	13.2
	Quintile 3	18.0	16.1	16.9	17.2	17.9	19.2
	Quintile 4	28.1	26.7	28.0	25.7	29.1	29.3
	Quintile 5	74.9	75.7	76.2	71.2	69.1	72.6

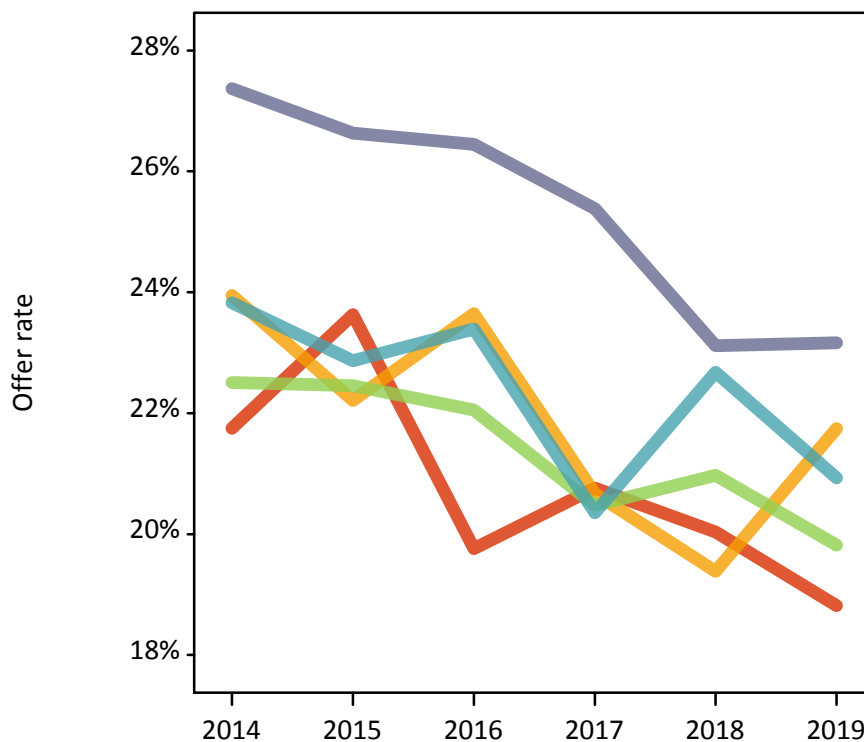
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	425	400	420	500	570	645
	Quintile 2	785	825	810	925	940	1,090
	Quintile 3	1,325	1,255	1,315	1,425	1,420	1,655
	Quintile 4	2,020	2,050	2,165	2,205	2,260	2,455
	Quintile 5	5,125	5,450	5,590	5,515	5,715	5,955
Offers	Quintile 1	90	95	85	105	115	120
	Quintile 2	190	185	190	190	180	235
	Quintile 3	300	280	290	290	300	330
	Quintile 4	480	470	505	450	510	515
	Quintile 5	1,400	1,450	1,480	1,400	1,320	1,380
Offer rate	Quintile 1	21.7%	23.6%	19.8%	20.8%	20.0%	18.8%
	Quintile 2	23.9%	22.2%	23.6%	20.7%	19.4%	21.7%
	Quintile 3	22.5%	22.5%	22.1%	20.5%	21.0%	19.8%
	Quintile 4	23.8%	22.9%	23.4%	20.4%	22.7%	20.9%
	Quintile 5	27.4%	26.6%	26.4%	25.4%	23.1%	23.2%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	21.5%	21.2%	19.2%	19.7%	17.6%	17.5%
	Quintile 2	23.1%	21.7%	21.5%	19.7%	18.6%	19.0%
	Quintile 3	23.3%	23.6%	22.3%	21.3%	20.5%	19.8%
	Quintile 4	24.8%	23.4%	24.3%	22.3%	21.8%	21.3%
	Quintile 5	26.9%	26.5%	26.4%	24.7%	24.0%	23.7%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.2	2.4	0.6	1.1	2.5	1.4
	Quintile 2	0.9	0.5	2.2	1.0	0.8	2.7
	Quintile 3	-0.7	-1.1	-0.3	-0.8	0.5	-0.0
	Quintile 4	-1.0	-0.5	-0.9	-1.9	0.9	-0.3
	Quintile 5	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.7	-0.9	-0.5
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.092	0.092	0.084	0.099	0.098	0.107
	Quintile 2	0.131	0.135	0.120	0.133	0.134	0.133
	Quintile 3	0.179	0.162	0.167	0.178	0.169	0.178
	Quintile 4	0.241	0.243	0.240	0.239	0.238	0.240
	Quintile 5	0.562	0.577	0.574	0.557	0.559	0.544

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

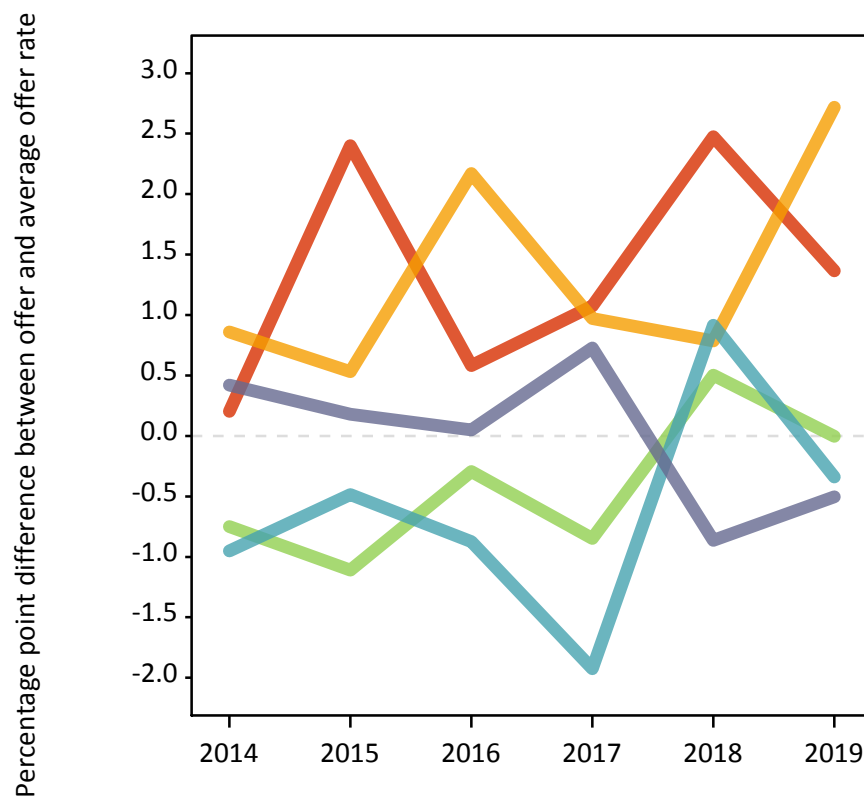
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

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P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

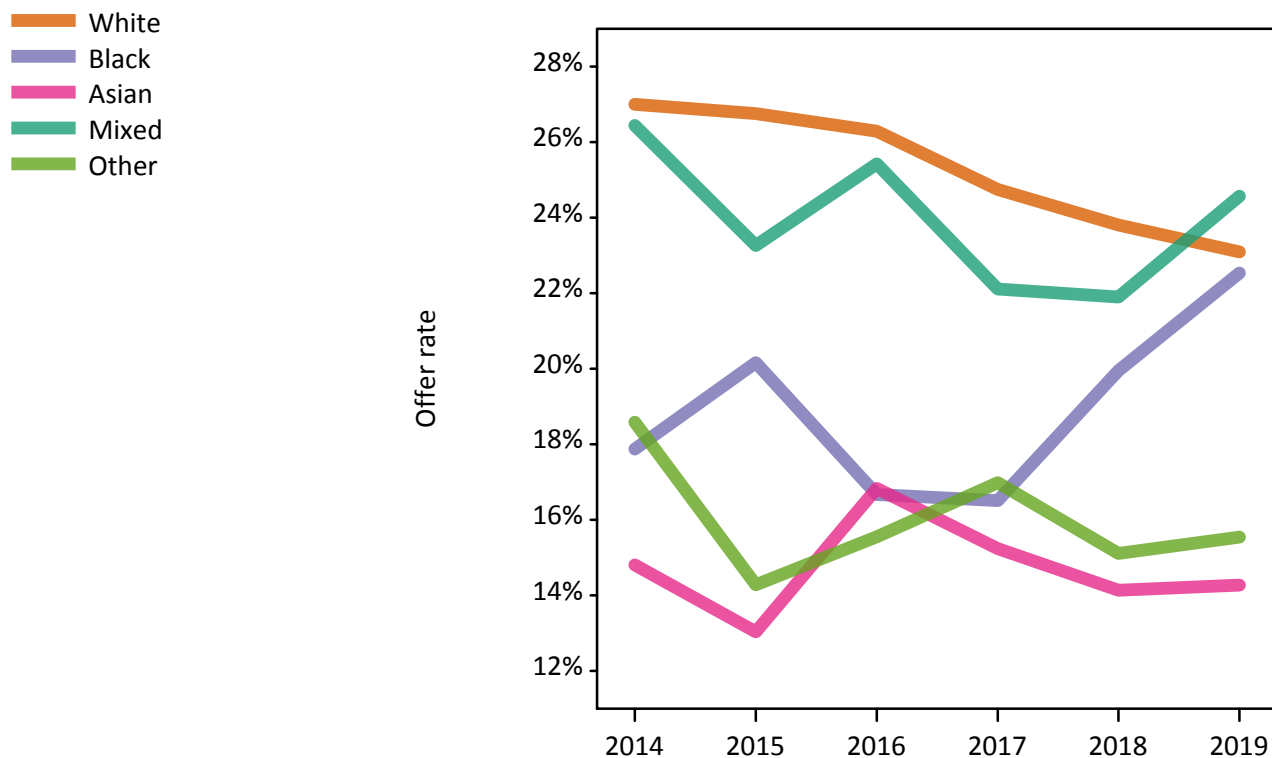
Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	7,755	7,840	7,945	7,945	8,045	8,520
	Black	205	245	270	320	365	435
	Asian	985	1,120	1,200	1,330	1,470	1,710
	Mixed	520	545	655	690	725	855
	Other	115	100	135	160	140	195
Placed June deadline applicants	White	1,880	1,865	1,825	1,685	1,645	1,640
	Black	20	35	25	35	50	70
	Asian	130	130	160	165	165	205
	Mixed	125	110	150	140	130	165
	Other	20	10	20	20	15	25
All placed applicants	White	1,885	1,875	1,830	1,695	1,655	1,655
	Black	20	35	25	35	55	70
	Asian	130	130	160	165	170	205
	Mixed	125	110	150	140	130	165
	Other	20	10	20	20	20	25
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	125.7	125.8	131.3	133.9	140.8	154.1
	Black	68.3	76.3	86.2	102.0	113.8	131.8
	Asian	145.4	158.2	166.8	181.0	194.6	219.3
	Mixed	181.4	177.1	207.5	215.6	223.9	259.9
	Other	121.4	101.7	135.7	154.4	129.6	171.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	30.5	29.9	30.1	28.4	28.8	29.7
	Black	6.9	11.0	7.3	11.8	16.2	21.2
	Asian	19.2	18.4	22.5	22.6	22.0	26.2
	Mixed	42.8	36.0	47.4	43.3	40.1	50.2
	Other	20.4	12.4	18.1	21.4	15.8	20.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	White	30.6	30.1	30.3	28.6	29.0	30.0
	Black	6.9	11.0	7.3	11.8	16.8	21.5
	Asian	19.2	18.5	22.5	22.7	22.4	26.5
	Mixed	43.1	36.0	47.4	43.3	40.7	50.5
	Other	20.4	12.4	18.1	21.4	16.8	21.4

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	7,755	7,840	7,945	7,945	8,045	8,520
	Black	205	245	270	320	365	435
	Asian	985	1,120	1,200	1,330	1,470	1,710
	Mixed	520	545	655	690	725	855
	Other	115	100	135	160	140	195
Offers	White	2,095	2,095	2,090	1,965	1,915	1,965
	Black	35	50	45	55	75	100
	Asian	145	145	200	205	210	245
	Mixed	140	125	165	155	160	210
	Other	20	15	20	25	20	30
Offer rate	White	27.0%	26.8%	26.3%	24.7%	23.8%	23.1%
	Black	17.9%	20.2%	16.7%	16.5%	19.9%	22.5%
	Asian	14.8%	13.0%	16.8%	15.2%	14.1%	14.3%
	Mixed	26.4%	23.3%	25.4%	22.1%	21.9%	24.6%
	Other	18.6%	14.3%	15.6%	17.0%	15.1%	15.5%
Average offer rate	White	26.1%	25.6%	25.6%	24.0%	23.4%	22.9%
	Black	18.1%	18.5%	17.8%	16.0%	17.1%	16.0%
	Asian	21.7%	20.8%	20.8%	18.9%	17.7%	18.0%
	Mixed	25.6%	22.7%	24.7%	23.4%	21.9%	22.2%
	Other	20.2%	22.8%	19.5%	19.6%	19.5%	17.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	White	0.9	1.1	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.2
	Black	-0.3	1.6	-1.2	0.5	2.9	6.5
	Asian	-6.9	-7.7	-4.0	-3.7	-3.5	-3.7
	Mixed	0.9	0.5	0.7	-1.3	0.0	2.4
	Other	-1.6	-8.5	-3.9	-2.6	-4.4	-2.2
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	White	0.821	0.804	0.794	0.777	0.761	0.747
	Black	0.110	0.087	0.092	0.107	0.096	0.113
	Asian	0.187	0.197	0.195	0.209	0.216	0.220
	Mixed	0.093	0.106	0.109	0.107	0.108	0.117
	Other	0.080	0.056	0.075	0.065	0.067	0.057

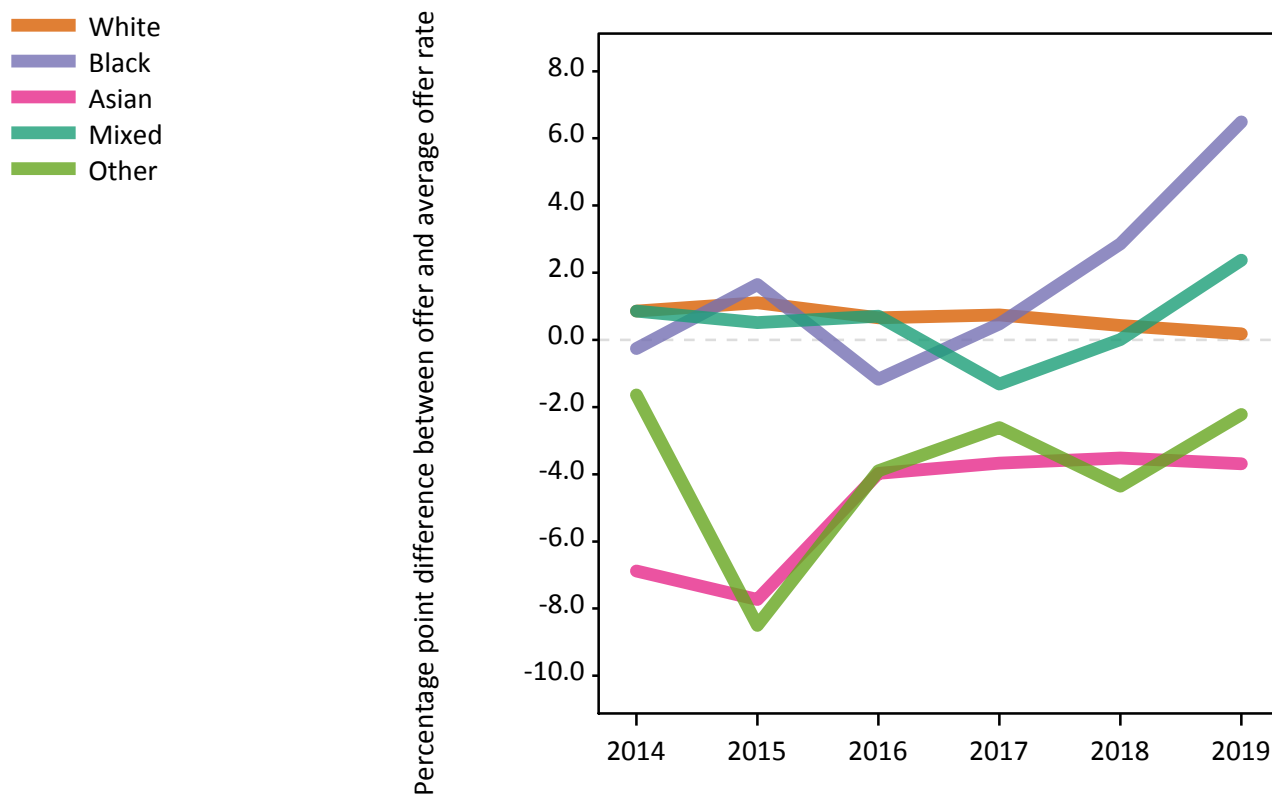
P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.



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 2014-2019.



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	11,565	11,975	12,355	12,765	13,145	14,040
Placed June deadline applicants	2,590	2,605	2,625	2,540	2,550	2,565
All placed applicants	2,600	2,620	2,635	2,550	2,570	2,595

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	11,565	11,975	12,355	12,765	13,145	14,040
Offers	2,885	2,910	3,000	2,940	2,965	3,065
Offer rate	25.0%	24.3%	24.3%	23.0%	22.6%	21.8%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	5,950	6,095	6,250	6,505	6,690	6,795
	Women	5,615	5,880	6,105	6,265	6,455	7,245
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,385	1,365	1,345	1,270	1,240	1,175
	Women	1,205	1,245	1,280	1,270	1,305	1,395
All placed applicants	Men	1,390	1,370	1,350	1,275	1,255	1,180
	Women	1,210	1,250	1,285	1,275	1,315	1,415

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	5,950	6,095	6,250	6,505	6,690	6,795
	Women	5,615	5,880	6,105	6,265	6,455	7,245
Offers	Men	1,515	1,490	1,520	1,435	1,420	1,380
	Women	1,370	1,415	1,480	1,505	1,545	1,685
Offer rate	Men	25.5%	24.5%	24.3%	22.1%	21.2%	20.3%
	Women	24.4%	24.1%	24.3%	24.1%	24.0%	23.3%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	520	500	510	610	655	780
	Quintile 2	905	975	960	1,070	1,110	1,280
	Quintile 3	1,540	1,505	1,580	1,725	1,740	1,925
	Quintile 4	2,405	2,460	2,605	2,690	2,725	2,905
	Quintile 5	6,160	6,490	6,670	6,640	6,870	7,055
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	85	85	80	95	95	105
	Quintile 2	180	180	180	180	185	195
	Quintile 3	300	280	295	305	305	305
	Quintile 4	515	490	510	490	510	500
	Quintile 5	1,510	1,565	1,555	1,460	1,445	1,450
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	85	85	80	95	95	105
	Quintile 2	180	180	180	180	185	195
	Quintile 3	300	280	300	305	310	310
	Quintile 4	515	490	510	495	515	505
	Quintile 5	1,515	1,575	1,560	1,470	1,455	1,460

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	520	500	510	610	655	780
	Quintile 2	905	975	960	1,070	1,110	1,280
	Quintile 3	1,540	1,505	1,580	1,725	1,740	1,925
	Quintile 4	2,405	2,460	2,605	2,690	2,725	2,905
	Quintile 5	6,160	6,490	6,670	6,640	6,870	7,055
Offers	Quintile 1	110	105	95	125	130	150
	Quintile 2	205	205	220	225	220	265
	Quintile 3	345	325	345	355	360	375
	Quintile 4	570	550	595	560	610	605
	Quintile 5	1,655	1,715	1,735	1,675	1,635	1,655
Offer rate	Quintile 1	20.7%	21.2%	18.7%	20.4%	20.2%	19.3%
	Quintile 2	22.8%	20.8%	23.1%	20.9%	20.0%	20.9%
	Quintile 3	22.3%	21.6%	21.9%	20.5%	20.6%	19.4%
	Quintile 4	23.7%	22.4%	22.9%	20.9%	22.4%	20.8%
	Quintile 5	26.9%	26.4%	26.0%	25.2%	23.8%	23.5%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	9,115	9,195	9,405	9,440	9,545	9,960
	Black	285	325	365	435	470	550
	Asian	1,210	1,400	1,445	1,630	1,805	2,020
	Mixed	645	700	775	820	880	1,025
	Other	150	140	175	215	185	250
Placed June deadline applicants	White	2,205	2,180	2,180	2,040	2,035	1,960
	Black	25	40	35	50	65	80
	Asian	155	160	190	205	205	240
	Mixed	145	155	165	165	160	205
	Other	20	15	20	30	20	30
All placed applicants	White	2,210	2,190	2,190	2,055	2,045	1,980
	Black	25	40	35	50	65	80
	Asian	155	165	190	205	210	245
	Mixed	145	155	165	165	165	205
	Other	20	15	20	30	25	30

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	9,115	9,195	9,405	9,440	9,545	9,960
	Black	285	325	365	435	470	550
	Asian	1,210	1,400	1,445	1,630	1,805	2,020
	Mixed	645	700	775	820	880	1,025
	Other	150	140	175	215	185	250
Offers	White	2,440	2,430	2,460	2,350	2,335	2,320
	Black	45	50	55	65	85	110
	Asian	170	180	230	245	255	285
	Mixed	165	170	185	185	195	250
	Other	25	15	25	35	25	35
Offer rate	White	26.8%	26.4%	26.2%	24.9%	24.4%	23.3%
	Black	15.7%	16.0%	15.6%	15.4%	18.5%	19.9%
	Asian	14.2%	12.8%	16.0%	15.1%	14.0%	14.0%
	Mixed	25.3%	24.3%	24.0%	22.3%	22.2%	24.4%
	Other	15.4%	11.6%	15.3%	16.4%	14.6%	14.7%

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 2019 cycle runs from September 2018 through to October 2019.

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 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 2019 End of Cycle Report and the 2019 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.