

## B44 University of Bolton

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**Cycle Reference Point:** End of Cycle

**Applicant coverage:** UK domiciled

**Reporting groups:** Sex, POLAR3, ethnic group

**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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	2,235	2,380	2,140	1,785	1,670	2,010
Placed June deadline applicants	330	310	295	240	250	320
All placed applicants	470	620	415	350	395	485
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	28.3	30.9	27.7	23.5	22.2	26.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	4.2	4.1	3.8	3.2	3.3	4.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	6.0	8.1	5.4	4.6	5.2	6.3

## P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	2,415	2,545	2,265	1,930	1,785	2,160
Offers	2,135	2,170	1,935	1,655	1,465	1,820
Offer rate	88.5%	85.2%	85.4%	85.8%	82.1%	84.3%

### P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	1,165	1,285	1,120	980	915	1,050
	Women	1,070	1,090	1,020	805	755	965
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	175	165	160	120	125	145
	Women	160	145	135	120	125	175
All placed applicants	Men	260	370	225	170	190	235
	Women	210	250	190	180	205	255
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	29.1	32.7	28.3	25.2	23.7	26.7
	Women	27.6	29.0	27.1	21.7	20.6	25.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	4.3	4.2	4.0	3.0	3.2	3.7
	Women	4.1	3.9	3.6	3.3	3.4	4.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	6.4	9.4	5.6	4.3	4.9	5.9
	Women	5.4	6.7	5.1	4.9	5.6	6.8

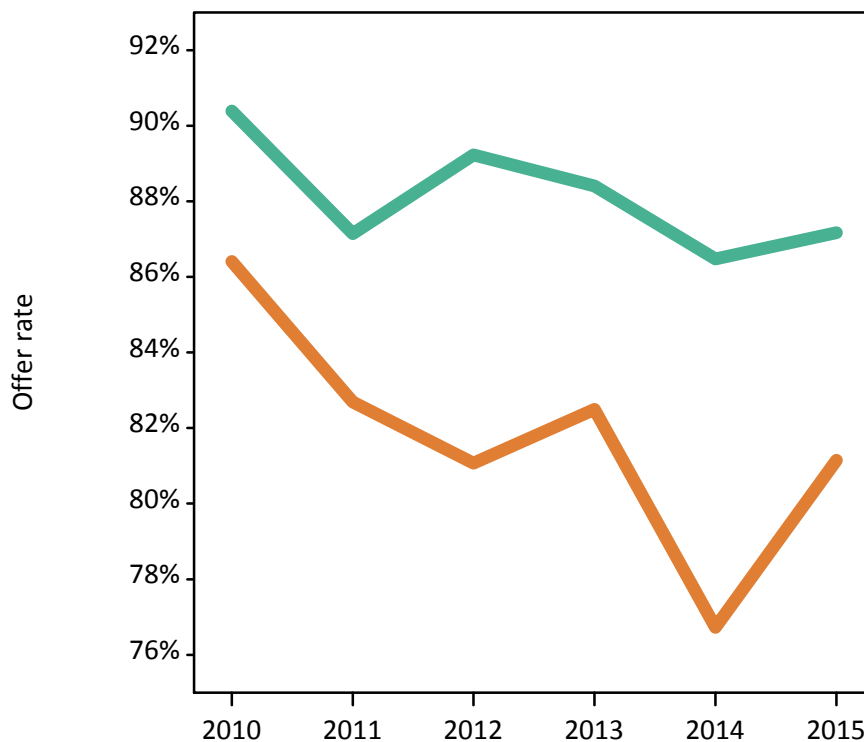
### P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	1,280	1,410	1,200	1,080	990	1,130
	Women	1,135	1,140	1,065	850	795	1,030
Offers	Men	1,155	1,225	1,070	955	855	985
	Women	980	940	865	700	610	835
Offer rate	Men	90.4%	87.1%	89.2%	88.4%	86.5%	87.2%
	Women	86.4%	82.7%	81.1%	82.5%	76.7%	81.1%
Average offer rate	Men	90.4%	87.1%	88.6%	88.4%	85.5%	87.0%
	Women	86.3%	82.8%	81.8%	82.4%	77.9%	81.4%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.1	0.1	0.6	-0.0	0.9	0.2
	Women	0.1	-0.1	-0.7	0.0	-1.2	-0.2
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.738	0.746	0.733	0.750	0.757	0.749
	Women	0.705	0.686	0.700	0.684	0.697	0.724

### 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 2010-2015.

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 2010-2015.

Men  
Women



## P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	455	485	430	420	365	435
	Quintile 2	510	560	450	405	365	470
	Quintile 3	500	555	555	430	410	500
	Quintile 4	445	475	420	320	310	365
	Quintile 5	320	300	285	215	215	240
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	75	75	55	60	60	80
	Quintile 2	75	75	70	60	65	70
	Quintile 3	75	70	90	50	50	80
	Quintile 4	75	60	50	45	45	60
	Quintile 5	35	25	30	25	30	35
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	105	135	80	85	90	105
	Quintile 2	105	135	100	85	95	105
	Quintile 3	100	155	125	75	85	130
	Quintile 4	100	120	65	65	75	90
	Quintile 5	65	75	45	35	45	55
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	30.7	33.8	30.3	30.0	26.2	31.2
	Quintile 2	33.3	37.2	30.1	27.3	24.9	31.5
	Quintile 3	31.5	36.1	36.1	28.1	27.2	32.5
	Quintile 4	28.1	30.2	26.3	20.3	20.2	23.4
	Quintile 5	18.8	18.2	16.8	13.1	13.2	14.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	5.1	5.3	3.8	4.4	4.2	5.6
	Quintile 2	4.8	5.1	4.7	3.9	4.5	4.6
	Quintile 3	4.6	4.7	5.9	3.3	3.2	5.1
	Quintile 4	4.6	3.9	3.1	2.8	2.9	3.7
	Quintile 5	2.1	1.6	1.8	1.6	2.0	2.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	7.0	9.3	5.6	6.1	6.5	7.6
	Quintile 2	6.8	9.0	6.7	5.8	6.4	6.9
	Quintile 3	6.2	9.9	8.2	5.0	5.8	8.4
	Quintile 4	6.3	7.8	4.1	4.2	4.9	5.8
	Quintile 5	3.7	4.5	2.6	2.1	2.8	3.3

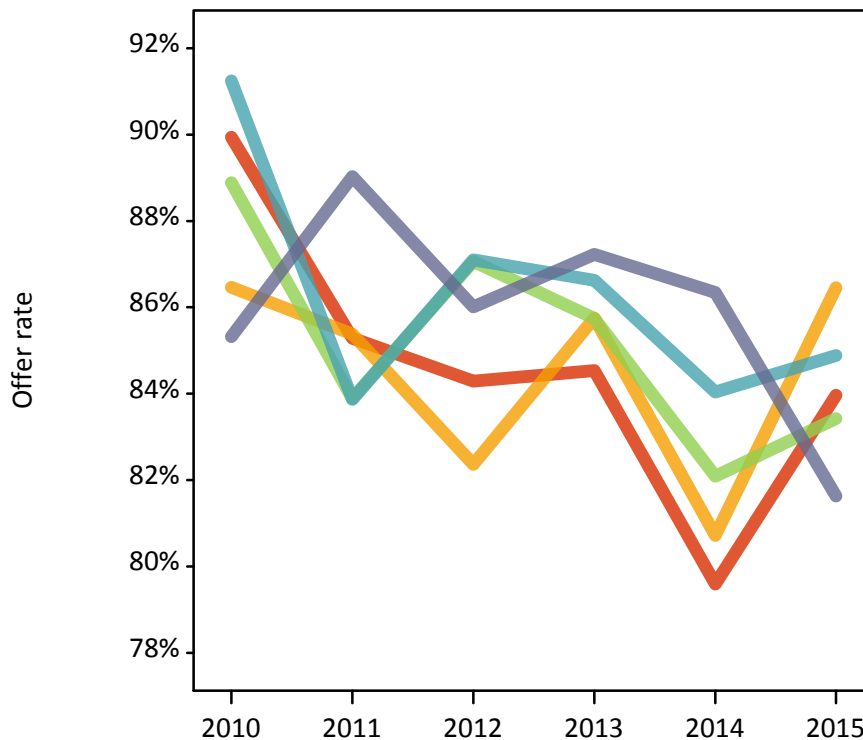
## P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	495	530	450	460	390	475
	Quintile 2	555	600	480	435	390	500
	Quintile 3	540	595	605	465	440	535
	Quintile 4	490	495	435	345	330	395
	Quintile 5	325	320	295	225	225	245
Offers	Quintile 1	445	450	380	390	310	400
	Quintile 2	480	515	395	375	315	435
	Quintile 3	480	500	525	395	360	450
	Quintile 4	450	415	380	300	280	335
	Quintile 5	280	285	250	200	195	200
Offer rate	Quintile 1	89.9%	85.3%	84.3%	84.5%	79.6%	84.0%
	Quintile 2	86.5%	85.4%	82.4%	85.7%	80.7%	86.5%
	Quintile 3	88.9%	83.9%	87.1%	85.7%	82.1%	83.4%
	Quintile 4	91.2%	83.9%	87.1%	86.6%	84.0%	84.9%
	Quintile 5	85.3%	89.0%	86.0%	87.2%	86.3%	81.6%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	88.4%	84.0%	83.9%	85.4%	80.3%	83.4%
	Quintile 2	87.8%	85.4%	83.5%	86.2%	81.6%	85.6%
	Quintile 3	89.4%	85.0%	85.7%	85.4%	82.0%	84.1%
	Quintile 4	89.4%	85.3%	87.0%	85.5%	83.7%	84.8%
	Quintile 5	87.5%	86.7%	87.7%	87.1%	84.3%	83.1%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	1.6	1.3	0.4	-0.9	-0.7	0.6
	Quintile 2	-1.3	-0.1	-1.1	-0.4	-0.9	0.9
	Quintile 3	-0.5	-1.2	1.4	0.4	0.1	-0.7
	Quintile 4	1.8	-1.4	0.1	1.2	0.3	0.0
	Quintile 5	-2.1	2.3	-1.7	0.1	2.1	-1.5
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.359	0.351	0.345	0.386	0.349	0.352
	Quintile 2	0.374	0.373	0.367	0.373	0.371	0.379
	Quintile 3	0.381	0.375	0.407	0.368	0.382	0.366
	Quintile 4	0.375	0.355	0.374	0.374	0.355	0.317
	Quintile 5	0.350	0.312	0.304	0.322	0.301	0.306

### P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.

- Quintile 1
- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- 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 2010-2015.

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



## P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	265	295	300	240	255	340
	Black	75	85	90	80	70	125
	Mixed	55	75	70	45	45	70
	White	1,825	1,905	1,665	1,395	1,280	1,445
	Other	5	5	10	20	15	25
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	35	30	35	15	20	45
	Black	10	10	15	5	5	15
	Mixed	5	15	10	5	5	10
	White	280	255	235	210	220	245
	Other	0	0	5	5	0	5
All placed applicants	Asian	55	95	55	40	50	95
	Black	20	45	25	20	15	30
	Mixed	5	25	15	10	15	20
	White	380	450	315	275	305	335
	Other	0	5	5	5	5	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	43.0	47.0	46.2	36.4	37.8	48.3
	Black	29.4	31.1	32.7	26.9	22.8	39.0
	Mixed	23.7	31.8	27.6	17.0	15.6	23.0
	White	27.2	29.5	25.8	22.2	20.7	23.2
	Other	6.5	6.2	13.6	24.3	18.3	23.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	6.0	4.6	5.1	2.0	2.7	6.4
	Black	3.4	3.7	4.6	2.4	1.6	4.1
	Mixed	1.7	6.2	3.1	1.8	2.4	3.9
	White	4.2	3.9	3.7	3.3	3.5	4.0
	Other	0.0	0.0	4.5	5.5	0.0	3.1
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	9.1	14.9	8.3	6.1	7.7	13.3
	Black	7.6	16.1	8.9	6.7	5.6	8.8
	Mixed	3.0	9.5	5.0	3.3	5.9	6.2
	White	5.7	6.9	4.9	4.3	4.9	5.4
	Other	0.0	8.6	7.9	6.6	3.2	6.2



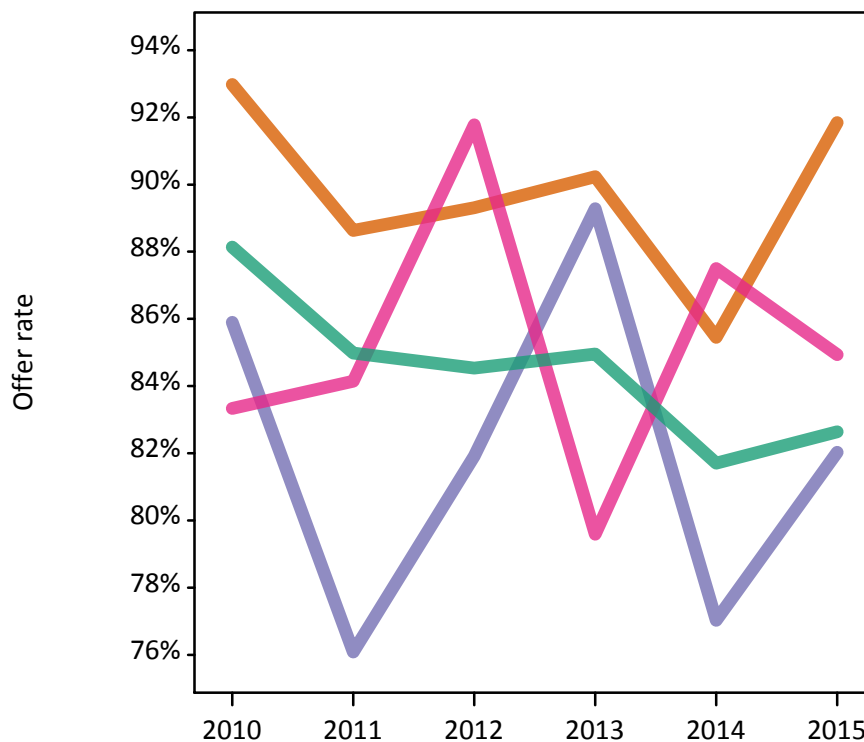
## P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	285	310	320	255	270	370
	Black	80	90	95	85	75	130
	Mixed	60	80	75	50	50	75
	White	1,975	2,050	1,765	1,515	1,370	1,560
	Other	5	5	10	20	20	25
Offers	Asian	265	275	285	230	230	340
	Black	65	70	75	75	55	105
	Mixed	50	70	65	40	40	60
	White	1,740	1,745	1,490	1,285	1,120	1,290
	Other	5	5	10	20	15	20
Offer rate	Asian	93.0%	88.6%	89.3%	90.2%	85.4%	91.8%
	Black	85.9%	76.1%	81.9%	89.3%	77.0%	82.0%
	Mixed	83.3%	84.1%	91.8%	79.6%	87.5%	84.9%
	White	88.1%	85.0%	84.5%	85.0%	81.7%	82.6%
	Other	N/A	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	75.0%	100.0%
Average offer rate	Asian	92.5%	89.5%	89.6%	90.1%	87.6%	90.9%
	Black	89.0%	81.2%	85.5%	92.0%	80.2%	85.0%
	Mixed	87.0%	82.6%	87.2%	83.4%	84.9%	85.2%
	White	88.0%	84.7%	84.6%	84.7%	81.0%	82.5%
	Other	N/A	N/A	82.9%	90.2%	84.2%	90.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	0.4	-0.9	-0.3	0.1	-2.1	0.9
	Black	-3.1	-5.1	-3.6	-2.7	-3.1	-2.9
	Mixed	-3.7	1.5	4.6	N/A	N/A	-0.2
	White	0.2	0.3	-0.0	0.2	0.7	0.1
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.388	0.380	0.410	0.406	0.457	0.441
	Black	0.214	0.250	0.273	0.296	0.274	0.211
	Mixed	0.214	0.228	0.206	0.181	0.235	0.178
	White	0.871	0.860	0.850	0.850	0.854	0.811
	Other	N/A	N/A	0.187	0.210	0.324	0.191

### 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 2010-2015.

- 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 2010-2015.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



### P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	4,765	5,320	4,785	4,150	3,885	4,935
Placed June deadline applicants	790	985	800	830	800	945
All placed applicants	1,340	1,615	1,225	1,215	1,540	1,540

### P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	5,285	5,895	5,275	4,565	4,215	5,375
Offers	3,935	4,375	3,850	3,445	3,060	3,900
Offer rate	74.5%	74.2%	73.0%	75.5%	72.6%	72.5%

### P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	2,660	2,915	2,630	2,430	2,205	2,535
	Women	2,105	2,405	2,155	1,720	1,680	2,400
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	425	525	450	455	430	480
	Women	365	460	350	375	370	465
All placed applicants	Men	755	950	690	635	795	805
	Women	585	670	530	575	750	735

### P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	2,975	3,250	2,930	2,685	2,410	2,795
	Women	2,310	2,645	2,345	1,880	1,810	2,580
Offers	Men	2,235	2,445	2,185	2,095	1,825	2,105
	Women	1,700	1,935	1,665	1,350	1,240	1,795
Offer rate	Men	75.2%	75.2%	74.5%	78.0%	75.7%	75.3%
	Women	73.5%	73.0%	71.1%	71.9%	68.5%	69.6%

### P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,025	1,180	1,100	1,000	935	1,230
	Quintile 2	1,105	1,170	1,020	880	850	1,105
	Quintile 3	1,080	1,295	1,210	1,015	935	1,225
	Quintile 4	895	1,020	885	755	705	815
	Quintile 5	645	640	560	495	450	545
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	170	235	190	225	210	245
	Quintile 2	165	225	165	175	165	200
	Quintile 3	180	245	220	200	190	235
	Quintile 4	175	205	150	140	140	160
	Quintile 5	95	70	70	90	100	100
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	300	370	300	330	415	385
	Quintile 2	260	340	260	260	325	330
	Quintile 3	310	410	330	300	380	400
	Quintile 4	300	330	225	195	260	255
	Quintile 5	165	160	110	125	160	160

### P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,155	1,320	1,215	1,120	1,020	1,355
	Quintile 2	1,220	1,310	1,130	965	925	1,195
	Quintile 3	1,215	1,445	1,355	1,120	1,030	1,330
	Quintile 4	995	1,120	960	815	755	905
	Quintile 5	685	675	600	535	475	575
Offers	Quintile 1	840	920	885	820	710	935
	Quintile 2	880	970	805	755	665	870
	Quintile 3	900	1,075	980	855	750	985
	Quintile 4	780	860	730	610	570	670
	Quintile 5	530	540	445	400	360	435
Offer rate	Quintile 1	72.4%	69.8%	73.1%	73.2%	69.4%	68.9%
	Quintile 2	72.2%	74.2%	71.1%	78.1%	72.0%	72.7%
	Quintile 3	73.9%	74.2%	72.2%	76.2%	72.8%	73.9%
	Quintile 4	78.8%	76.7%	76.1%	75.1%	75.4%	74.0%
	Quintile 5	77.1%	79.5%	74.2%	74.7%	75.6%	75.7%

## P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	645	745	775	625	605	770
	Black	405	450	490	440	355	660
	Mixed	145	185	175	145	135	205
	White	3,505	3,855	3,240	2,840	2,700	3,185
	Other	30	40	75	70	75	80
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	95	120	115	90	90	115
	Black	45	85	85	105	80	105
	Mixed	15	35	25	25	20	40
	White	625	735	550	585	595	665
	Other	5	10	20	20	15	10
All placed applicants	Asian	180	255	200	175	245	270
	Black	120	170	175	190	235	235
	Mixed	40	55	45	40	80	65
	White	970	1,095	765	770	935	930
	Other	15	25	30	30	30	30

## P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	705	825	865	695	655	845
	Black	450	495	540	480	380	705
	Mixed	155	210	190	160	140	220
	White	3,910	4,280	3,555	3,120	2,925	3,480
	Other	30	40	90	75	90	85
Offers	Asian	550	625	675	570	510	655
	Black	200	250	305	280	235	390
	Mixed	110	145	135	110	105	155
	White	3,045	3,310	2,670	2,415	2,150	2,620
	Other	20	25	50	50	50	60
Offer rate	Asian	77.8%	75.3%	78.2%	81.6%	78.3%	77.4%
	Black	44.2%	50.4%	56.5%	58.6%	61.4%	55.1%
	Mixed	69.7%	68.4%	71.4%	69.8%	72.5%	71.4%
	White	77.9%	77.4%	75.1%	77.3%	73.6%	75.3%
	Other	56.3%	59.5%	54.3%	65.8%	53.8%	69.0%

## 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 2015 cycle runs from September 2014 through to October 2015.

#### 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 quintile**

Scottish index of multiple deprivation (SIMD) for 2012 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 2015 End of Cycle Report and the 2016 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.

#### 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.