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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

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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	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	3,530	3,275	3,305	3,130	3,490	3,660
Placed June deadline applicants	750	630	665	705	740	965
All placed applicants	860	760	780	825	840	1,050
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	45.9	42.4	43.4	41.5	45.6	48.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	9.8	8.1	8.7	9.4	9.7	12.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	11.1	9.8	10.3	10.9	11.0	14.0

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	3,850	3,555	3,590	3,495	3,955	4,405
Offers	2,900	2,870	3,110	3,055	3,450	3,955
Offer rate	75.4%	80.6%	86.5%	87.4%	87.2%	89.8%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	1,710	1,545	1,575	1,570	1,750	2,080
	Women	1,820	1,735	1,730	1,555	1,740	1,580
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	355	325	350	395	430	650
	Women	400	300	315	310	310	315
All placed applicants	Men	415	395	400	445	480	700
	Women	445	365	385	375	360	345
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	43.5	38.9	40.4	40.6	44.5	54.2
	Women	48.3	46.0	46.7	42.5	46.6	43.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	9.0	8.2	9.0	10.2	10.9	16.9
	Women	10.6	8.0	8.4	8.5	8.3	8.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	10.5	10.0	10.2	11.5	12.3	18.3
	Women	11.8	9.6	10.3	10.3	9.6	9.5

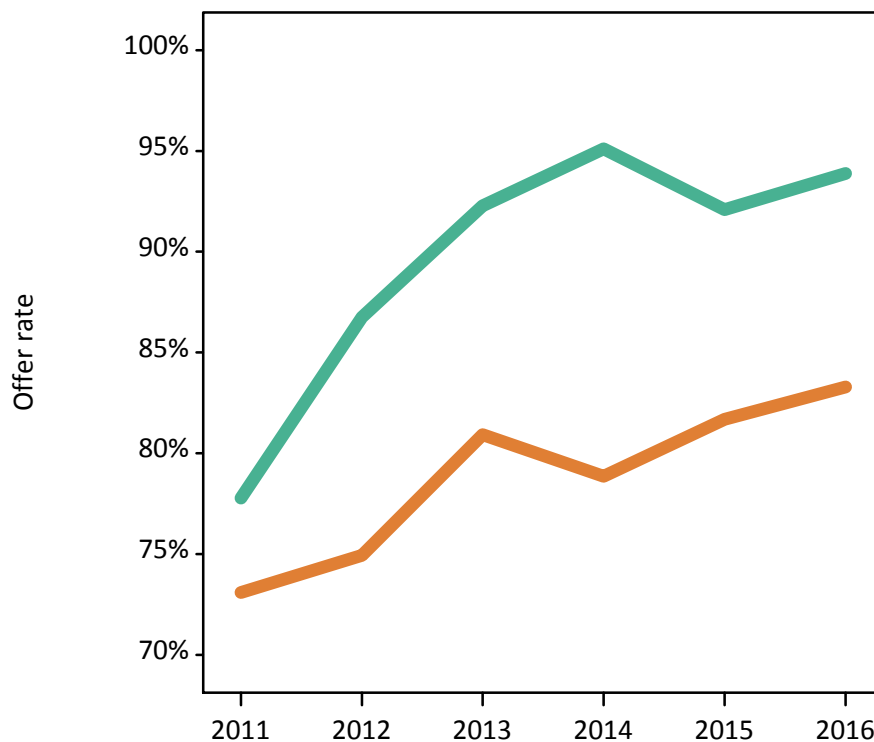
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	1,890	1,715	1,775	1,840	2,100	2,710
	Women	1,960	1,845	1,820	1,655	1,855	1,695
Offers	Men	1,470	1,485	1,635	1,750	1,935	2,545
	Women	1,430	1,380	1,470	1,305	1,515	1,410
Offer rate	Men	77.8%	86.8%	92.3%	95.1%	92.1%	93.9%
	Women	73.1%	74.9%	80.9%	78.9%	81.7%	83.3%
Average offer rate	Men	77.4%	86.0%	91.8%	94.4%	92.4%	93.7%
	Women	73.4%	75.7%	81.4%	79.7%	81.4%	83.6%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.7	-0.3	0.2
	Women	-0.4	-0.7	-0.5	-0.8	0.3	-0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.629	0.644	0.656	0.679	0.702	0.750
	Women	0.641	0.669	0.664	0.642	0.663	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 2011-2016.

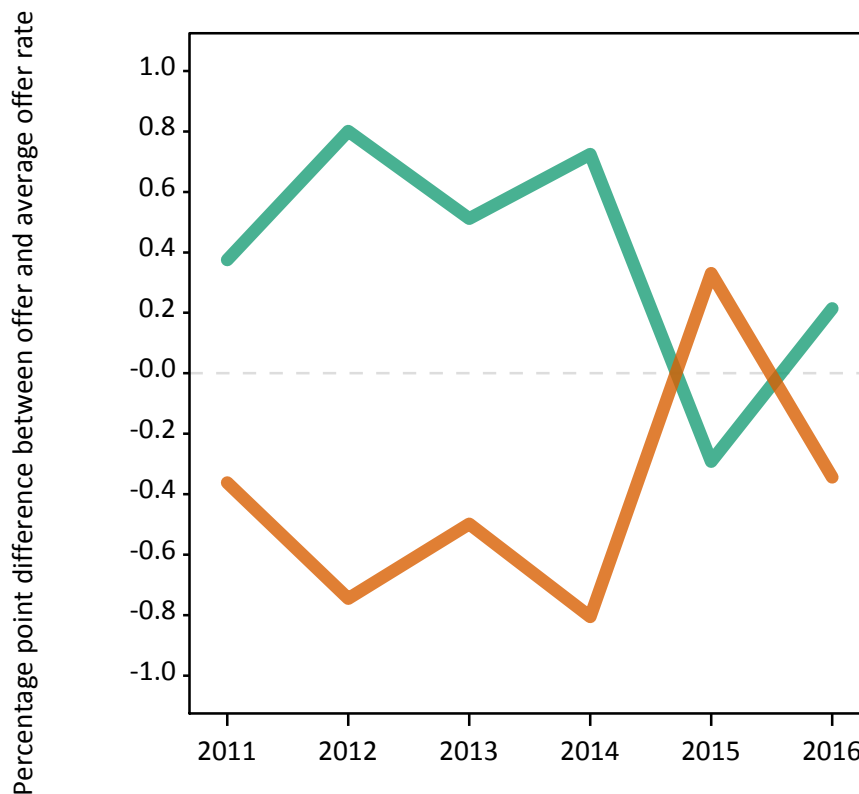
Men
Women



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 2011-2016.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	370	365	390	390	430	465
	Quintile 2	560	550	560	550	615	655
	Quintile 3	800	755	705	680	740	825
	Quintile 4	860	790	855	820	900	870
	Quintile 5	935	810	795	680	790	820
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	75	70	75	85	85	130
	Quintile 2	105	115	90	125	125	180
	Quintile 3	170	125	160	135	145	210
	Quintile 4	185	140	165	200	195	230
	Quintile 5	215	175	175	160	190	210
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	85	80	85	100	100	140
	Quintile 2	120	130	105	150	130	190
	Quintile 3	200	160	185	160	170	230
	Quintile 4	215	185	200	230	225	250
	Quintile 5	240	205	200	185	215	235
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	25.8	25.8	27.9	28.0	30.6	34.4
	Quintile 2	37.4	36.5	37.9	37.5	41.5	45.4
	Quintile 3	51.9	48.8	46.2	45.1	48.3	54.9
	Quintile 4	55.0	49.8	54.7	53.1	57.4	56.5
	Quintile 5	56.5	48.2	48.0	41.8	47.3	49.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	5.1	5.1	5.4	6.2	6.0	9.5
	Quintile 2	7.1	7.6	6.1	8.5	8.3	12.4
	Quintile 3	11.1	8.2	10.4	9.0	9.6	14.1
	Quintile 4	11.8	8.9	10.4	12.9	12.4	14.8
	Quintile 5	12.9	10.3	10.6	9.8	11.2	12.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	5.9	5.8	6.2	7.3	7.0	10.2
	Quintile 2	7.8	8.6	7.2	10.3	8.9	13.1
	Quintile 3	13.1	10.3	12.3	10.5	10.9	15.4
	Quintile 4	13.7	11.7	12.7	14.8	14.3	16.1
	Quintile 5	14.4	12.1	12.2	11.3	12.8	14.1

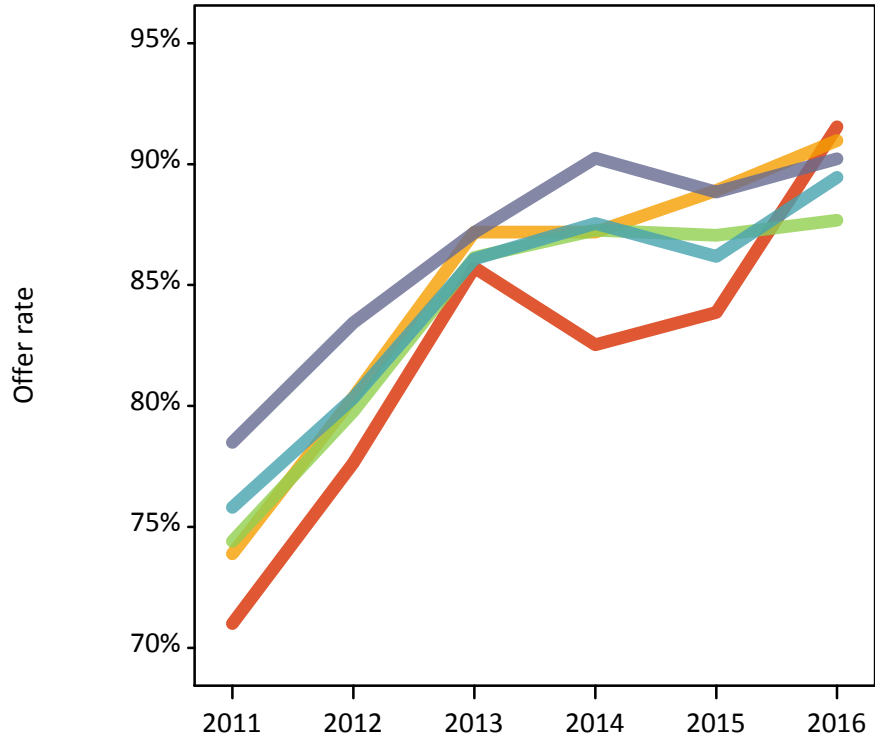
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	405	405	420	435	495	605
	Quintile 2	605	600	600	610	705	810
	Quintile 3	880	820	765	745	820	975
	Quintile 4	935	845	935	915	1,030	1,045
	Quintile 5	1,020	875	865	780	895	950
Offers	Quintile 1	290	315	360	360	415	550
	Quintile 2	445	485	525	530	625	735
	Quintile 3	655	655	660	650	715	855
	Quintile 4	710	680	805	800	885	935
	Quintile 5	800	730	755	705	795	860
Offer rate	Quintile 1	71.0%	77.6%	85.7%	82.5%	83.9%	91.5%
	Quintile 2	73.9%	80.4%	87.2%	87.2%	88.9%	91.0%
	Quintile 3	74.4%	79.8%	86.1%	87.3%	87.1%	87.7%
	Quintile 4	75.8%	80.3%	86.1%	87.5%	86.2%	89.5%
	Quintile 5	78.5%	83.4%	87.2%	90.2%	88.8%	90.2%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	72.0%	79.6%	85.1%	85.1%	85.3%	90.3%
	Quintile 2	73.9%	80.3%	86.1%	86.7%	86.6%	90.5%
	Quintile 3	74.6%	80.9%	86.0%	87.0%	87.6%	88.2%
	Quintile 4	76.3%	80.9%	86.2%	87.7%	86.8%	90.0%
	Quintile 5	77.4%	81.0%	88.2%	89.3%	88.6%	90.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-1.0	-2.0	0.6	-2.6	-1.4	1.2
	Quintile 2	-0.0	0.1	1.1	0.5	2.3	0.5
	Quintile 3	-0.2	-1.2	0.2	0.3	-0.6	-0.5
	Quintile 4	-0.5	-0.6	-0.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.6
	Quintile 5	1.1	2.5	-1.0	0.9	0.2	-0.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.216	0.219	0.199	0.210	0.209	0.203
	Quintile 2	0.246	0.272	0.245	0.266	0.260	0.262
	Quintile 3	0.305	0.314	0.298	0.297	0.273	0.300
	Quintile 4	0.324	0.326	0.339	0.339	0.332	0.304
	Quintile 5	0.350	0.352	0.338	0.333	0.306	0.296

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 2011-2016.

- 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 2011-2016.

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



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	320	245	300	315	330	340
	Black	255	285	295	295	320	295
	Mixed	135	135	130	135	180	175
	White	2,775	2,565	2,545	2,340	2,595	2,785
	Other	40	35	30	40	50	55
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	75	45	50	60	55	70
	Black	50	65	45	45	40	45
	Mixed	30	30	25	35	35	40
	White	585	480	535	555	595	790
	Other	5	10	10	10	10	10
All placed applicants	Asian	95	75	70	80	65	85
	Black	60	85	75	60	55	60
	Mixed	35	35	30	40	45	45
	White	655	550	590	625	655	840
	Other	5	10	10	10	15	10
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	50.9	38.0	45.8	46.2	46.9	47.0
	Black	92.5	101.2	99.0	97.3	100.8	93.6
	Mixed	54.9	52.2	47.7	46.2	58.7	55.3
	White	42.9	39.7	40.4	37.9	41.7	46.0
	Other	48.1	41.8	34.2	43.0	52.9	55.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	12.2	6.8	7.7	9.0	7.8	9.7
	Black	18.3	22.7	15.5	14.2	13.2	15.0
	Mixed	13.2	11.1	8.9	12.2	11.7	13.4
	White	9.1	7.4	8.5	9.0	9.5	13.1
	Other	7.4	12.4	8.8	10.7	11.4	9.1
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	15.4	11.3	10.5	11.8	9.5	12.1
	Black	21.6	30.2	25.3	19.1	17.6	19.2
	Mixed	15.3	13.4	11.8	13.2	13.9	14.0
	White	10.1	8.5	9.4	10.1	10.5	13.9
	Other	8.6	13.6	8.8	10.7	15.6	9.1

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	340	255	320	335	350	380
	Black	260	300	310	305	350	320
	Mixed	145	145	140	140	195	210
	White	3,050	2,805	2,785	2,665	3,000	3,415
	Other	40	40	35	40	55	60
Offers	Asian	265	200	275	280	290	340
	Black	180	225	245	245	280	265
	Mixed	105	110	115	120	180	180
	White	2,315	2,285	2,440	2,380	2,650	3,115
	Other	25	35	30	30	45	45
Offer rate	Asian	78.3%	78.3%	86.0%	83.3%	83.1%	88.7%
	Black	68.3%	75.4%	78.7%	79.4%	79.7%	82.3%
	Mixed	73.3%	76.2%	82.6%	84.5%	91.3%	87.5%
	White	76.0%	81.5%	87.7%	89.3%	88.2%	91.2%
	Other	67.5%	100.0%	84.8%	71.4%	88.7%	70.5%
Average offer rate	Asian	77.7%	80.5%	86.1%	84.2%	83.8%	86.9%
	Black	73.9%	78.3%	81.2%	80.5%	82.9%	85.0%
	Mixed	73.2%	78.9%	86.7%	84.8%	88.7%	88.7%
	White	75.3%	80.9%	87.2%	88.9%	88.0%	90.8%
	Other	78.0%	87.0%	82.8%	77.6%	88.8%	83.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	0.6	-2.1	-0.1	-0.9	-0.7	1.9
	Black	-5.6	-2.9	-2.5	-1.1	-3.2	-2.7
	Mixed	0.1	-2.7	-4.0	-0.3	2.6	-1.2
	White	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-0.1	-13.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.247	0.221	0.243	0.255	0.261	0.252
	Black	0.178	0.198	0.207	0.209	0.213	0.180
	Mixed	0.170	0.126	0.136	0.179	0.127	0.120
	White	0.830	0.823	0.819	0.812	0.804	0.816
	Other	0.097	0.092	0.137	0.100	0.086	0.089

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 2011-2016.

- 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 2011-2016.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	9,490	8,570	8,775	9,005	8,945	9,390
Placed June deadline applicants	1,880	1,765	1,715	1,720	1,755	2,085
All placed applicants	2,225	2,250	2,135	2,175	2,165	2,505

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	10,430	9,315	9,480	9,875	9,930	10,735
Offers	5,830	5,725	6,295	6,145	6,420	7,205
Offer rate	55.9%	61.4%	66.4%	62.2%	64.6%	67.1%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	4,125	3,485	3,490	3,570	3,790	4,160
	Women	5,365	5,080	5,290	5,435	5,155	5,235
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	850	765	770	835	875	1,135
	Women	1,030	1,000	945	890	880	945
All placed applicants	Men	1,030	1,030	945	1,035	1,070	1,335
	Women	1,200	1,220	1,195	1,140	1,095	1,170

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	4,625	3,890	3,885	4,110	4,435	5,145
	Women	5,805	5,425	5,590	5,765	5,500	5,590
Offers	Men	2,900	2,745	3,045	3,190	3,355	4,050
	Women	2,930	2,980	3,250	2,950	3,065	3,155
Offer rate	Men	62.7%	70.5%	78.4%	77.7%	75.6%	78.7%
	Women	50.5%	54.9%	58.1%	51.2%	55.8%	56.5%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,005	1,000	970	1,105	1,105	1,150
	Quintile 2	1,565	1,415	1,500	1,535	1,545	1,560
	Quintile 3	2,165	1,935	2,020	2,030	2,000	2,195
	Quintile 4	2,340	2,110	2,185	2,280	2,190	2,315
	Quintile 5	2,400	2,085	2,085	2,030	2,065	2,090
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	195	205	160	190	195	255
	Quintile 2	285	295	265	305	285	360
	Quintile 3	415	360	390	355	385	460
	Quintile 4	455	425	420	455	435	500
	Quintile 5	530	475	480	410	455	490
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	225	245	190	240	245	285
	Quintile 2	325	365	330	365	330	425
	Quintile 3	505	475	490	450	480	580
	Quintile 4	540	565	530	575	545	605
	Quintile 5	625	595	590	535	560	585

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,085	1,095	1,055	1,195	1,225	1,360
	Quintile 2	1,695	1,535	1,610	1,675	1,695	1,810
	Quintile 3	2,390	2,120	2,160	2,210	2,200	2,480
	Quintile 4	2,565	2,270	2,370	2,515	2,455	2,645
	Quintile 5	2,670	2,270	2,265	2,250	2,315	2,360
Offers	Quintile 1	590	670	700	710	775	950
	Quintile 2	935	955	1,075	1,085	1,110	1,235
	Quintile 3	1,310	1,260	1,370	1,310	1,360	1,585
	Quintile 4	1,410	1,360	1,580	1,555	1,590	1,765
	Quintile 5	1,580	1,470	1,555	1,465	1,560	1,620
Offer rate	Quintile 1	54.2%	60.9%	66.3%	59.4%	63.3%	69.8%
	Quintile 2	55.1%	62.0%	66.6%	64.7%	65.6%	68.3%
	Quintile 3	54.8%	59.5%	63.3%	59.4%	61.9%	63.9%
	Quintile 4	54.9%	60.0%	66.7%	61.9%	64.7%	66.7%
	Quintile 5	59.1%	64.7%	68.8%	65.1%	67.4%	68.7%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,010	930	1,085	1,100	1,120	1,215
	Black	2,010	2,020	2,085	2,410	2,245	2,365
	Mixed	405	355	355	375	425	430
	White	5,880	5,075	5,080	4,895	4,895	5,105
	Other	125	145	130	155	180	190
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	195	205	200	190	195	235
	Black	260	325	270	270	270	315
	Mixed	80	80	80	85	75	85
	White	1,320	1,115	1,140	1,135	1,170	1,390
	Other	15	30	25	30	30	35
All placed applicants	Asian	250	300	270	265	260	310
	Black	345	445	385	375	360	415
	Mixed	95	100	105	100	105	100
	White	1,505	1,320	1,295	1,310	1,325	1,525
	Other	15	40	30	40	45	40

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	1,100	1,005	1,155	1,190	1,195	1,355
	Black	2,125	2,145	2,210	2,540	2,375	2,505
	Mixed	445	395	380	415	470	480
	White	6,555	5,570	5,550	5,495	5,615	6,090
	Other	130	155	145	165	195	210
Offers	Asian	605	585	740	695	705	810
	Black	630	765	815	850	840	985
	Mixed	240	240	255	280	330	335
	White	4,260	4,005	4,375	4,205	4,390	4,910
	Other	70	105	90	90	115	120
Offer rate	Asian	54.9%	58.4%	64.2%	58.3%	58.8%	59.9%
	Black	29.6%	35.7%	36.8%	33.4%	35.5%	39.3%
	Mixed	54.1%	60.1%	66.6%	68.1%	70.0%	69.4%
	White	65.0%	71.9%	78.8%	76.6%	78.2%	80.6%
	Other	51.9%	66.9%	62.9%	53.9%	59.0%	58.2%

Technical Notes and Definitions

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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 2016 cycle runs from September 2015 through to October 2016.

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 2016 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.