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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	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	3,435	3,550	3,355	3,545	3,315	2,925
Placed June deadline applicants	835	735	660	655	570	510
All placed applicants	1,175	920	790	790	715	620
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	44.6	45.9	44.1	47.0	43.3	39.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	10.8	9.5	8.7	8.7	7.4	6.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	15.3	11.9	10.4	10.5	9.3	8.3

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	3,845	3,830	3,620	3,795	3,545	3,185
Offers	2,560	2,595	2,800	3,110	2,980	2,610
Offer rate	66.6%	67.8%	77.3%	82.0%	84.1%	81.9%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	1,105	1,095	995	1,000	970	880
	Women	2,330	2,460	2,360	2,545	2,345	2,045
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	250	220	210	175	160	150
	Women	585	520	450	480	410	360
All placed applicants	Men	385	270	255	210	200	180
	Women	790	650	535	580	515	440
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	28.1	27.6	25.5	25.8	24.7	22.9
	Women	61.8	65.2	63.7	69.5	62.8	56.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	6.4	5.5	5.4	4.5	4.1	3.9
	Women	15.5	13.8	12.2	13.1	10.9	9.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	9.8	6.8	6.5	5.4	5.1	4.7
	Women	21.0	17.3	14.4	15.8	13.8	12.0

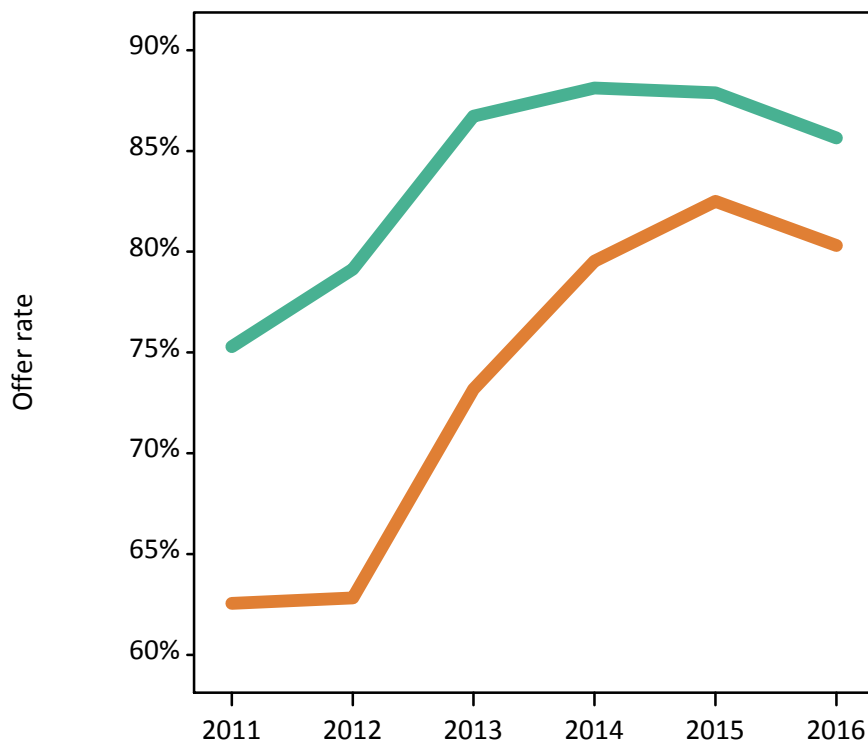
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	1,220	1,175	1,095	1,085	1,050	970
	Women	2,620	2,655	2,530	2,705	2,495	2,215
Offers	Men	920	930	950	955	920	830
	Women	1,640	1,670	1,850	2,155	2,060	1,780
Offer rate	Men	75.3%	79.1%	86.7%	88.1%	87.9%	85.6%
	Women	62.5%	62.8%	73.2%	79.5%	82.5%	80.3%
Average offer rate	Men	75.3%	78.3%	85.9%	88.0%	88.5%	85.3%
	Women	62.5%	63.2%	73.5%	79.6%	82.2%	80.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.0	0.8	0.8	0.2	-0.7	0.4
	Women	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	-0.1	0.3	-0.2
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.550	0.529	0.550	0.536	0.552	0.558
	Women	0.791	0.792	0.806	0.814	0.812	0.807

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	570	620	600	665	595	545
	Quintile 2	620	655	610	650	625	530
	Quintile 3	710	735	695	765	720	630
	Quintile 4	830	795	775	775	745	625
	Quintile 5	705	745	670	680	620	585
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	145	125	145	135	90	110
	Quintile 2	145	130	140	135	100	90
	Quintile 3	145	155	120	135	135	110
	Quintile 4	205	170	125	120	130	110
	Quintile 5	195	160	130	130	110	90
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	185	150	165	155	105	125
	Quintile 2	200	160	160	160	130	105
	Quintile 3	220	190	140	170	165	140
	Quintile 4	300	220	165	150	165	145
	Quintile 5	265	200	160	155	150	110
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	39.6	43.4	42.9	47.9	42.5	40.4
	Quintile 2	41.2	43.8	41.5	44.6	42.2	36.7
	Quintile 3	46.1	47.5	45.7	51.0	46.8	41.8
	Quintile 4	52.9	50.0	49.7	50.2	47.5	40.4
	Quintile 5	42.5	44.5	40.5	41.8	37.2	35.5
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	10.0	8.8	10.5	9.6	6.4	8.3
	Quintile 2	9.6	8.7	9.4	9.3	6.8	6.1
	Quintile 3	9.4	10.0	7.8	8.9	8.8	7.3
	Quintile 4	13.2	10.7	8.1	7.9	8.3	7.2
	Quintile 5	11.7	9.4	7.8	8.0	6.7	5.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	12.7	10.4	11.9	11.1	7.6	9.2
	Quintile 2	13.3	10.7	10.8	10.9	8.6	7.3
	Quintile 3	14.4	12.4	9.2	11.4	10.7	9.2
	Quintile 4	19.1	13.7	10.5	9.6	10.6	9.3
	Quintile 5	16.1	12.0	9.6	9.5	8.8	6.6

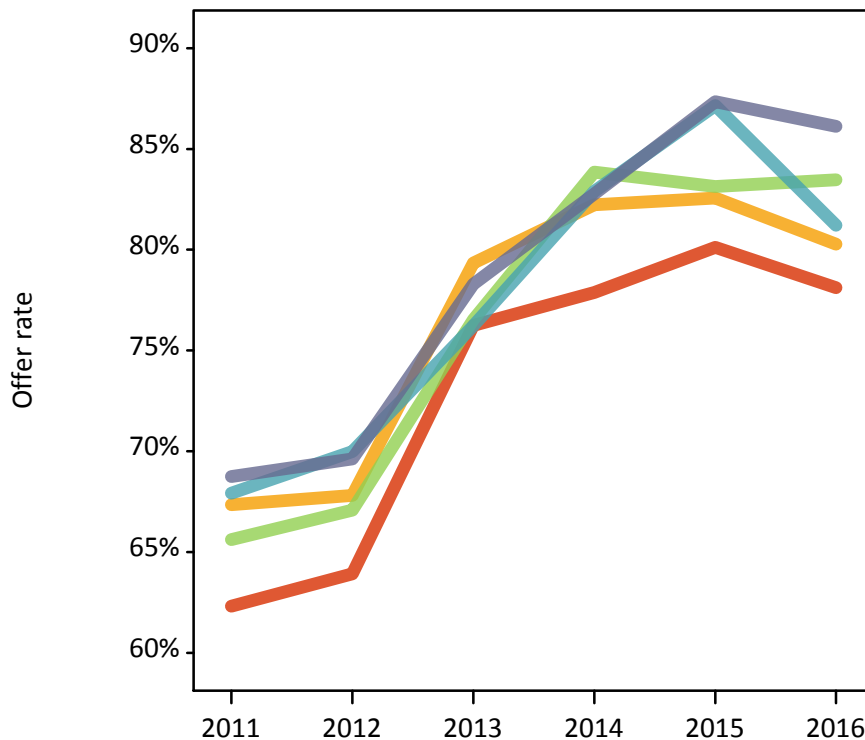
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	660	670	660	720	635	595
	Quintile 2	690	695	645	690	670	575
	Quintile 3	795	795	750	810	760	690
	Quintile 4	925	865	835	830	800	685
	Quintile 5	770	805	725	735	670	625
Offers	Quintile 1	410	425	505	560	510	465
	Quintile 2	465	470	510	570	555	460
	Quintile 3	520	535	575	680	630	575
	Quintile 4	630	605	640	690	700	560
	Quintile 5	530	560	565	610	585	540
Offer rate	Quintile 1	62.3%	63.9%	76.2%	77.9%	80.1%	78.1%
	Quintile 2	67.3%	67.8%	79.3%	82.2%	82.6%	80.3%
	Quintile 3	65.6%	67.1%	76.5%	83.8%	83.1%	83.5%
	Quintile 4	67.9%	70.0%	76.2%	82.9%	87.2%	81.2%
	Quintile 5	68.7%	69.6%	78.3%	82.8%	87.4%	86.1%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	64.2%	66.3%	78.2%	81.7%	82.3%	79.3%
	Quintile 2	65.8%	67.3%	77.7%	81.2%	84.4%	81.2%
	Quintile 3	66.3%	66.5%	76.8%	82.3%	83.2%	82.9%
	Quintile 4	67.7%	69.6%	76.5%	82.6%	85.5%	82.1%
	Quintile 5	68.1%	69.2%	77.3%	82.1%	85.4%	83.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-1.9	-2.4	-1.9	-3.8	-2.2	-1.2
	Quintile 2	1.6	0.5	1.6	1.0	-1.9	-0.9
	Quintile 3	-0.6	0.6	-0.3	1.6	-0.0	0.6
	Quintile 4	0.2	0.4	-0.3	0.3	1.6	-0.9
	Quintile 5	0.7	0.4	1.0	0.6	2.0	2.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.301	0.287	0.292	0.282	0.286	0.324
	Quintile 2	0.295	0.266	0.284	0.280	0.295	0.297
	Quintile 3	0.311	0.302	0.312	0.301	0.313	0.326
	Quintile 4	0.349	0.329	0.342	0.322	0.326	0.339
	Quintile 5	0.332	0.308	0.327	0.318	0.326	0.346

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.

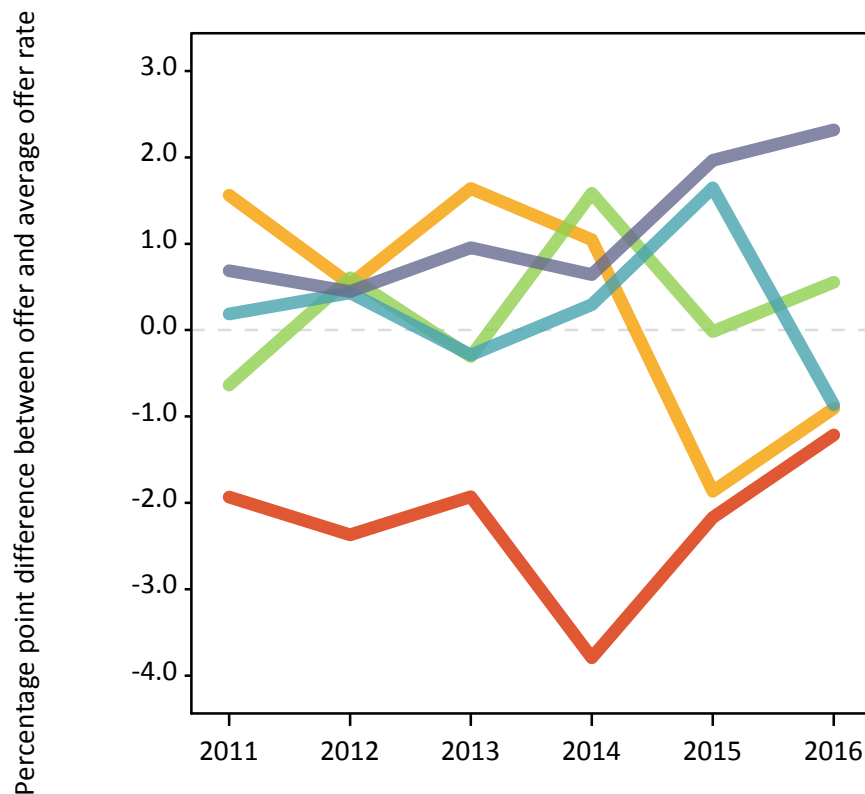
- Quintile 1
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- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



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	140	145	195	190	235	215
	Black	35	45	50	80	85	60
	Mixed	55	65	60	55	70	55
	White	3,190	3,280	3,040	3,200	2,895	2,580
	Other	5	10	5	15	15	10
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	20	30	20	25	45	30
	Black	5	5	5	5	5	5
	Mixed	10	10	15	10	10	5
	White	800	690	625	610	505	470
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
All placed applicants	Asian	40	45	30	45	65	45
	Black	25	15	10	15	10	5
	Mixed	20	15	15	10	10	10
	White	1,080	840	725	715	620	555
	Other	5	0	0	0	5	0
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	22.4	22.2	29.4	27.9	33.3	29.7
	Black	12.8	16.7	17.5	26.1	26.7	19.5
	Mixed	22.3	24.6	22.6	18.8	23.0	17.5
	White	49.3	50.8	48.3	51.9	46.5	42.6
	Other	7.4	13.6	4.4	14.0	17.6	10.1
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	3.0	4.5	3.2	4.0	6.4	3.9
	Black	1.5	2.1	1.3	2.3	1.6	1.3
	Mixed	3.7	3.8	4.8	2.8	2.6	2.2
	White	12.3	10.7	9.9	9.9	8.1	7.8
	Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	6.3	6.6	4.5	6.6	9.3	6.1
	Black	8.8	4.6	3.0	4.3	2.8	1.6
	Mixed	8.7	5.0	5.9	2.8	3.2	3.2
	White	16.7	13.0	11.5	11.6	10.0	9.2
	Other	3.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.1	0.0

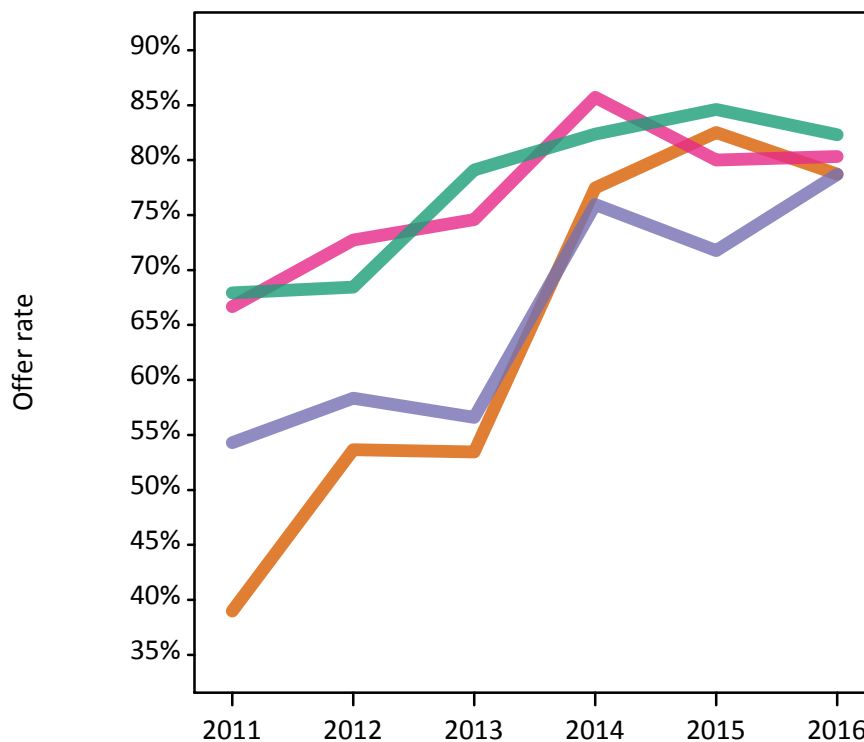
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	160	150	200	190	240	220
	Black	35	50	55	80	85	60
	Mixed	55	65	65	55	75	60
	White	3,580	3,545	3,295	3,450	3,120	2,820
	Other	5	10	5	15	15	10
Offers	Asian	60	80	110	150	200	175
	Black	20	30	30	60	60	50
	Mixed	40	50	45	50	60	50
	White	2,430	2,425	2,605	2,840	2,640	2,325
	Other	5	10	0	10	15	5
Offer rate	Asian	39.0%	53.6%	53.5%	77.5%	82.5%	78.7%
	Black	54.3%	58.3%	56.6%	75.9%	71.8%	78.7%
	Mixed	66.7%	72.7%	74.6%	85.7%	80.0%	80.3%
	White	67.9%	68.4%	79.1%	82.4%	84.6%	82.3%
	Other	N/A	100.0%	N/A	61.5%	100.0%	100.0%
Average offer rate	Asian	57.4%	61.3%	66.0%	75.3%	83.6%	80.0%
	Black	68.8%	71.5%	70.3%	83.8%	79.2%	79.9%
	Mixed	66.7%	72.1%	76.8%	83.9%	83.1%	81.9%
	White	67.0%	67.9%	78.1%	82.3%	84.3%	82.1%
	Other	N/A	69.7%	N/A	80.4%	90.0%	75.9%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-18.4	-7.7	-12.6	2.2	-1.1	-1.3
	Black	N/A	N/A	-13.7	-7.8	-7.5	-1.3
	Mixed	-0.0	0.6	-2.2	1.9	-3.1	-1.6
	White	0.9	0.5	1.1	0.1	0.3	0.2
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.174	0.154	0.181	0.181	0.216	0.227
	Black	0.140	0.133	0.162	0.125	0.140	0.226
	Mixed	0.143	0.170	0.182	0.125	0.156	0.205
	White	0.941	0.936	0.922	0.921	0.898	0.908
	Other	N/A	0.172	N/A	0.140	0.141	0.239

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	7,090	6,905	6,920	7,200	6,725	6,350
Placed June deadline applicants	1,750	1,520	1,515	1,515	1,380	1,270
All placed applicants	2,335	1,915	1,885	1,850	1,730	1,585

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	7,985	7,560	7,550	7,840	7,285	6,935
Offers	4,540	4,435	5,365	5,930	5,695	5,125
Offer rate	56.9%	58.7%	71.1%	75.6%	78.2%	73.9%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	2,365	2,230	2,130	2,150	1,995	1,860
	Women	4,725	4,675	4,790	5,050	4,730	4,490
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	565	485	515	455	420	390
	Women	1,180	1,030	1,000	1,060	960	880
All placed applicants	Men	795	625	650	560	530	480
	Women	1,540	1,290	1,235	1,290	1,200	1,105

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	2,625	2,420	2,350	2,365	2,175	2,040
	Women	5,360	5,135	5,200	5,475	5,110	4,895
Offers	Men	1,710	1,695	1,855	1,920	1,780	1,600
	Women	2,830	2,740	3,510	4,010	3,915	3,520
Offer rate	Men	65.1%	70.0%	79.0%	81.3%	81.7%	78.5%
	Women	52.8%	53.3%	67.5%	73.2%	76.6%	71.9%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,250	1,350	1,315	1,455	1,300	1,255
	Quintile 2	1,295	1,300	1,305	1,330	1,265	1,160
	Quintile 3	1,445	1,375	1,390	1,540	1,420	1,345
	Quintile 4	1,650	1,470	1,565	1,520	1,440	1,345
	Quintile 5	1,435	1,400	1,335	1,340	1,280	1,215
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	310	295	330	340	265	275
	Quintile 2	320	285	310	300	235	225
	Quintile 3	330	290	270	290	275	265
	Quintile 4	405	335	325	285	310	275
	Quintile 5	385	310	275	295	290	215
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	385	360	405	405	320	330
	Quintile 2	420	355	370	370	305	270
	Quintile 3	455	365	340	375	345	350
	Quintile 4	545	425	405	345	400	360
	Quintile 5	520	405	360	355	360	265

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,455	1,490	1,455	1,605	1,410	1,380
	Quintile 2	1,430	1,410	1,410	1,440	1,355	1,250
	Quintile 3	1,620	1,500	1,505	1,665	1,520	1,480
	Quintile 4	1,850	1,620	1,720	1,650	1,570	1,480
	Quintile 5	1,615	1,530	1,445	1,465	1,410	1,310
Offers	Quintile 1	750	795	1,030	1,150	1,050	980
	Quintile 2	810	810	1,010	1,100	1,055	910
	Quintile 3	920	895	1,045	1,260	1,170	1,100
	Quintile 4	1,090	985	1,220	1,255	1,270	1,100
	Quintile 5	965	945	1,045	1,155	1,135	1,000
Offer rate	Quintile 1	51.6%	53.5%	70.8%	71.7%	74.3%	71.1%
	Quintile 2	56.5%	57.4%	71.7%	76.1%	78.0%	72.8%
	Quintile 3	56.8%	59.7%	69.5%	75.9%	77.0%	74.4%
	Quintile 4	58.8%	60.6%	71.1%	76.0%	81.0%	74.4%
	Quintile 5	59.8%	61.7%	72.3%	78.9%	80.5%	76.3%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	340	355	425	405	505	460
	Black	195	270	215	255	275	255
	Mixed	125	135	140	155	140	150
	White	6,400	6,090	6,085	6,320	5,725	5,415
	Other	15	35	35	40	50	35
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	50	60	55	60	105	75
	Black	25	25	15	40	40	25
	Mixed	25	25	35	30	20	30
	White	1,645	1,400	1,405	1,375	1,205	1,135
	Other	5	5	5	5	5	5
All placed applicants	Asian	80	80	75	85	135	115
	Black	65	50	35	70	60	45
	Mixed	40	35	45	30	25	35
	White	2,100	1,695	1,635	1,590	1,425	1,325
	Other	10	5	10	15	10	15

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	380	380	450	425	520	480
	Black	205	280	220	265	290	265
	Mixed	130	135	145	160	145	160
	White	7,235	6,700	6,675	6,925	6,245	5,960
	Other	20	35	35	40	50	40
Offers	Asian	130	165	225	290	395	340
	Black	65	90	90	165	170	145
	Mixed	75	85	100	115	105	110
	White	4,255	4,060	4,920	5,310	4,970	4,475
	Other	10	20	15	25	35	30
Offer rate	Asian	33.8%	43.8%	50.1%	68.6%	76.1%	71.0%
	Black	32.8%	31.7%	40.0%	62.0%	58.7%	55.5%
	Mixed	56.9%	61.8%	67.8%	73.6%	72.6%	69.1%
	White	58.8%	60.6%	73.8%	76.7%	79.6%	75.1%
	Other	55.6%	55.6%	44.4%	63.4%	71.4%	68.3%

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 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.