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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	191,160	182,020	183,530	188,080	195,430	198,660
Placed June deadline applicants	60,115	58,355	60,665	61,555	64,335	67,065
All placed applicants	68,220	67,570	69,170	70,855	74,905	79,240
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	2,482.3	2,353.2	2,411.8	2,497.2	2,550.9	2,650.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	780.6	754.4	797.2	817.3	839.7	894.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	885.9	873.6	908.9	940.8	977.7	1,057.2

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	404,260	382,360	385,000	398,050	413,995	421,890
Offers	285,350	281,785	296,680	309,295	320,740	331,165
Offer rate	70.6%	73.7%	77.1%	77.7%	77.5%	78.5%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	83,995	78,760	79,660	81,975	83,070	84,900
	Women	107,165	103,260	103,875	106,105	112,360	113,760
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	27,495	26,415	27,415	27,725	28,125	30,030
	Women	32,615	31,940	33,250	33,835	36,215	37,035
All placed applicants	Men	31,200	30,865	31,355	32,115	33,000	35,600
	Women	37,020	36,705	37,815	38,735	41,905	43,640
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	2,134.5	1,986.0	2,040.4	2,117.6	2,116.8	2,210.1
	Women	2,845.6	2,739.5	2,803.1	2,898.7	3,006.6	3,113.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	698.8	666.1	702.2	716.2	716.6	781.7
	Women	866.1	847.4	897.3	924.3	969.0	1,013.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	792.9	778.3	803.1	829.7	840.9	926.8
	Women	983.0	973.8	1,020.4	1,058.3	1,121.3	1,194.3

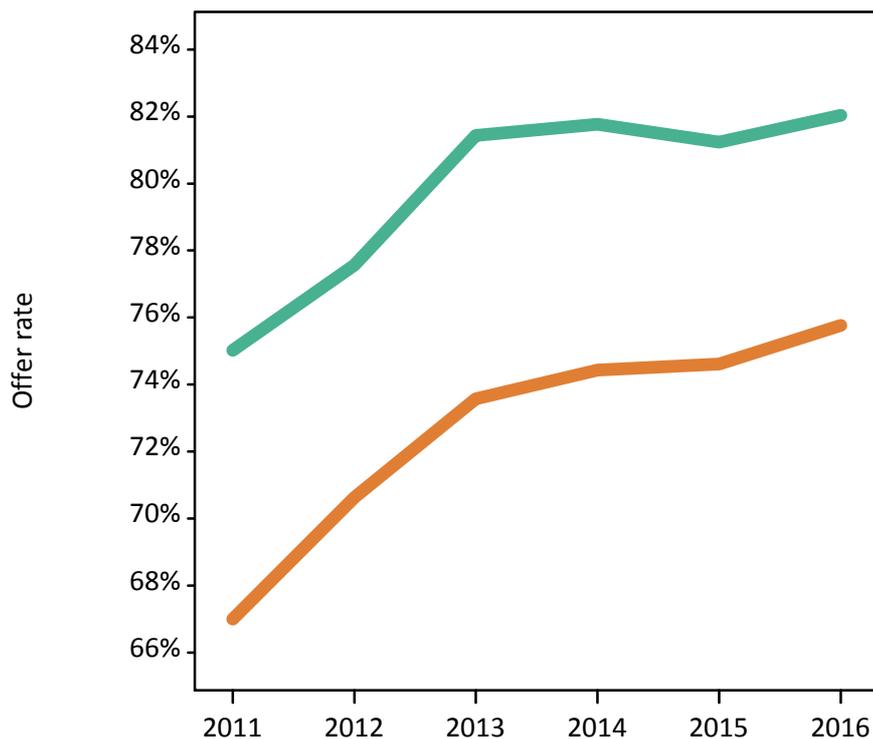
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	180,800	168,930	170,855	177,565	178,980	183,865
	Women	223,455	213,425	214,145	220,480	235,020	238,025
Offers	Men	135,635	131,040	139,130	145,200	145,390	150,835
	Women	149,715	150,750	157,550	164,095	175,350	180,330
Offer rate	Men	75.0%	77.6%	81.4%	81.8%	81.2%	82.0%
	Women	67.0%	70.6%	73.6%	74.4%	74.6%	75.8%
Average offer rate	Men	75.2%	77.8%	81.6%	82.1%	81.5%	82.4%
	Women	66.9%	70.4%	73.4%	74.2%	74.4%	75.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4
	Women	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.610	0.612	0.616	0.620	0.607	0.610
	Women	0.685	0.693	0.694	0.694	0.701	0.699

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.

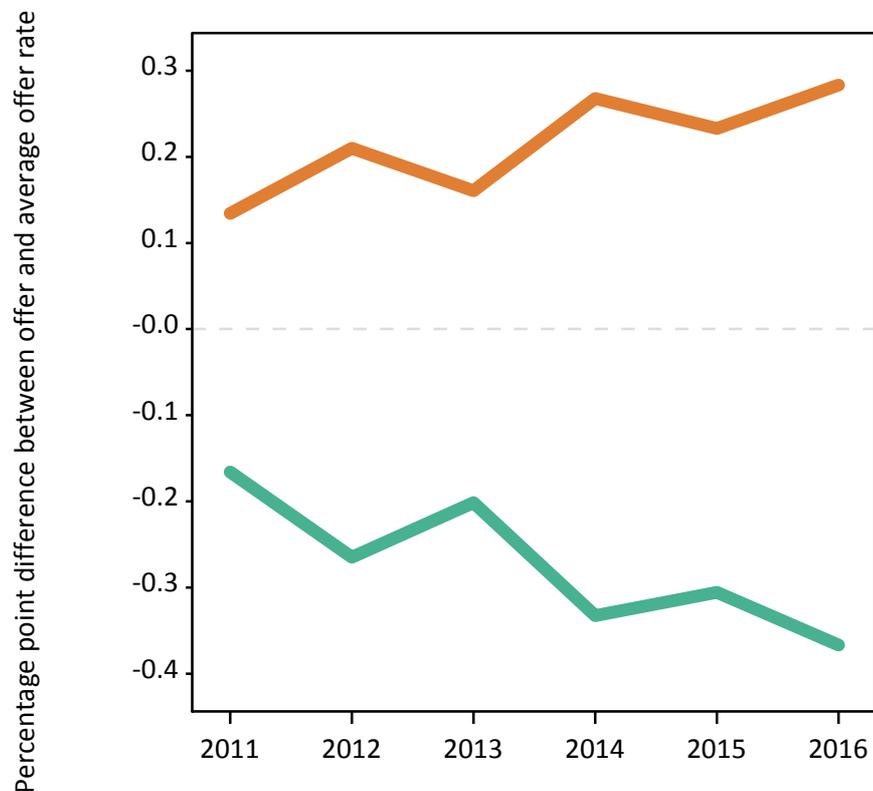
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 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	19,225	18,230	18,905	20,195	21,180	21,620
	Quintile 2	28,675	27,215	27,925	29,140	30,510	31,085
	Quintile 3	36,660	35,300	35,935	36,935	38,665	39,320
	Quintile 4	46,535	44,200	44,630	44,820	46,600	47,190
	Quintile 5	59,700	56,730	55,825	56,635	58,000	58,605
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	5,505	5,675	5,935	6,505	6,800	7,180
	Quintile 2	8,815	8,575	9,115	9,600	10,055	10,530
	Quintile 3	11,265	11,190	11,790	12,065	12,500	13,160
	Quintile 4	15,020	14,575	15,040	14,980	15,685	16,440
	Quintile 5	19,385	18,240	18,695	18,305	19,150	19,455
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	6,150	6,450	6,625	7,305	7,800	8,250
	Quintile 2	9,795	9,870	10,245	10,810	11,520	12,155
	Quintile 3	12,665	12,925	13,470	13,965	14,605	15,585
	Quintile 4	17,015	16,855	17,240	17,175	18,235	19,445
	Quintile 5	22,455	21,345	21,480	21,470	22,570	23,455
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	1,337.6	1,279.5	1,356.4	1,451.3	1,511.6	1,601.5
	Quintile 2	1,907.3	1,815.1	1,895.0	1,991.7	2,054.2	2,149.5
	Quintile 3	2,382.3	2,285.8	2,356.3	2,454.3	2,518.1	2,615.5
	Quintile 4	2,971.1	2,785.3	2,853.5	2,908.4	2,976.9	3,056.6
	Quintile 5	3,606.8	3,376.6	3,376.0	3,472.7	3,464.5	3,547.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	383.0	398.4	425.9	467.6	485.5	531.9
	Quintile 2	586.3	571.8	618.7	656.0	677.0	728.1
	Quintile 3	732.1	724.5	773.1	801.6	814.0	875.5
	Quintile 4	959.1	918.5	961.7	972.1	1,002.0	1,064.9
	Quintile 5	1,171.1	1,085.7	1,130.5	1,122.5	1,144.0	1,177.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	427.7	452.8	475.4	525.0	556.6	610.9
	Quintile 2	651.7	658.2	695.2	738.9	775.5	840.5
	Quintile 3	822.9	836.8	883.3	928.1	951.2	1,036.6
	Quintile 4	1,086.3	1,062.2	1,102.4	1,114.4	1,164.8	1,259.4
	Quintile 5	1,356.7	1,270.4	1,298.9	1,316.5	1,348.1	1,419.6

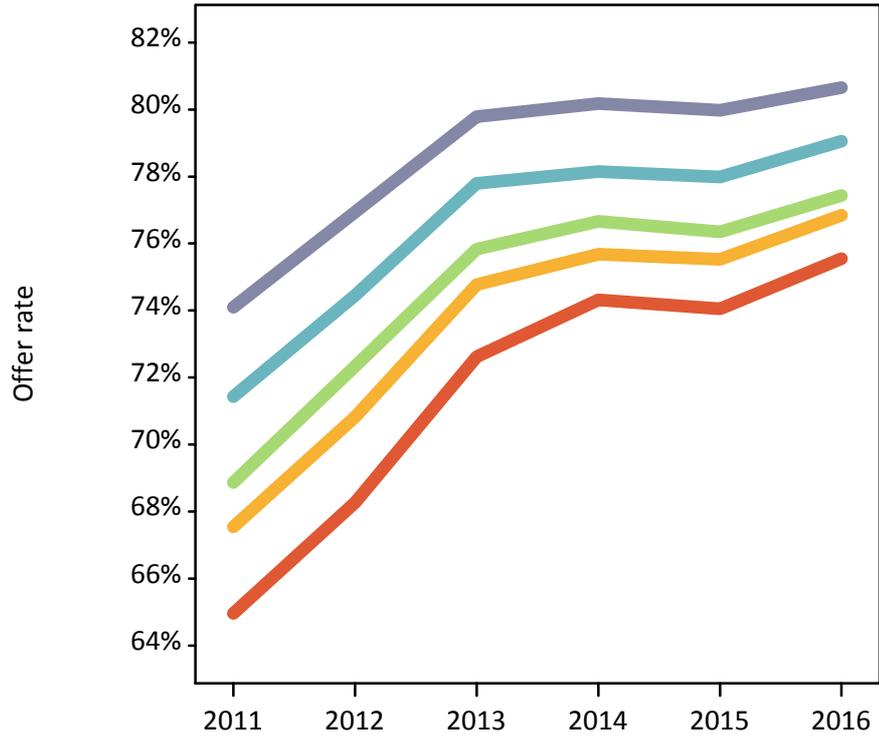
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	39,265	36,695	37,695	40,870	42,775	44,170
	Quintile 2	59,455	55,975	57,450	60,570	63,090	64,685
	Quintile 3	77,030	73,990	75,145	77,945	81,785	83,605
	Quintile 4	99,845	94,140	95,440	96,430	100,665	101,770
	Quintile 5	127,900	120,775	118,630	121,500	124,700	125,875
Offers	Quintile 1	25,505	25,050	27,375	30,375	31,675	33,370
	Quintile 2	40,155	39,640	42,955	45,845	47,650	49,705
	Quintile 3	53,050	53,520	56,990	59,755	62,445	64,740
	Quintile 4	71,320	70,090	74,245	75,365	78,510	80,455
	Quintile 5	94,775	92,925	94,655	97,420	99,730	101,525
Offer rate	Quintile 1	65.0%	68.3%	72.6%	74.3%	74.0%	75.6%
	Quintile 2	67.5%	70.8%	74.8%	75.7%	75.5%	76.8%
	Quintile 3	68.9%	72.3%	75.8%	76.7%	76.4%	77.4%
	Quintile 4	71.4%	74.5%	77.8%	78.2%	78.0%	79.1%
	Quintile 5	74.1%	76.9%	79.8%	80.2%	80.0%	80.7%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	66.4%	69.6%	73.8%	75.2%	75.3%	76.7%
	Quintile 2	68.1%	71.4%	75.3%	76.0%	76.1%	77.4%
	Quintile 3	69.5%	72.7%	76.1%	76.9%	76.5%	77.7%
	Quintile 4	71.2%	74.3%	77.6%	78.1%	77.9%	78.8%
	Quintile 5	73.2%	76.2%	79.2%	79.6%	79.2%	80.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-1.5	-1.3	-1.2	-0.9	-1.3	-1.1
	Quintile 2	-0.6	-0.6	-0.5	-0.3	-0.6	-0.5
	Quintile 3	-0.6	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2
	Quintile 4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2
	Quintile 5	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.6
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.195	0.195	0.194	0.199	0.196	0.197
	Quintile 2	0.223	0.226	0.226	0.226	0.226	0.224
	Quintile 3	0.254	0.260	0.260	0.260	0.259	0.260
	Quintile 4	0.307	0.307	0.307	0.301	0.301	0.298
	Quintile 5	0.390	0.392	0.385	0.381	0.376	0.374

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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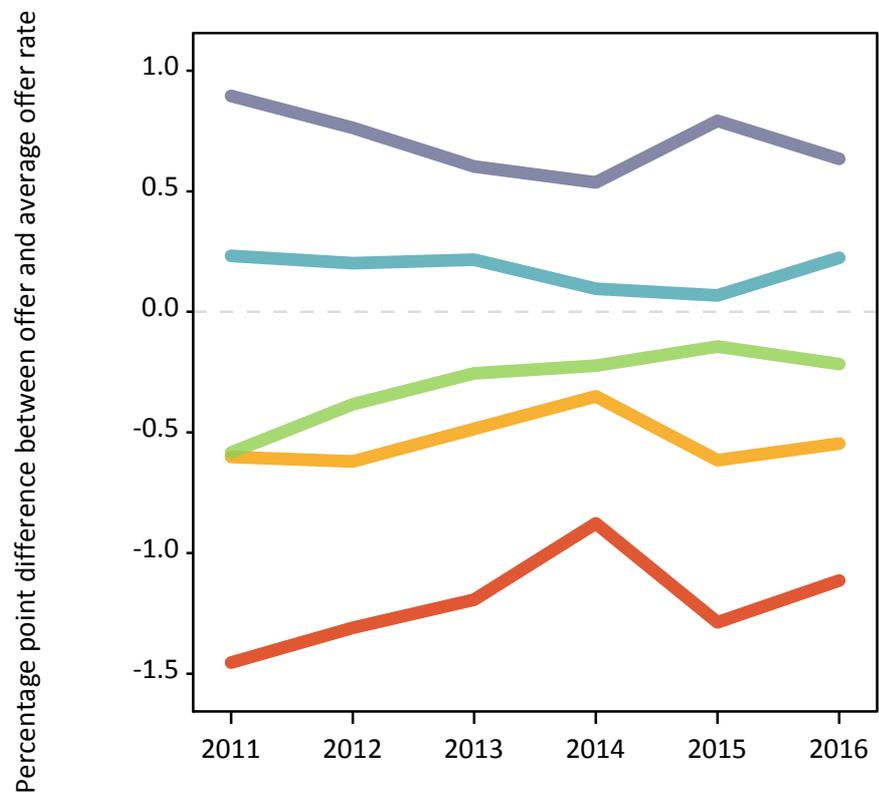
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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- 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	16,945	16,535	17,390	18,820	20,335	21,810
	Black	7,960	7,880	8,900	9,510	10,450	10,810
	Mixed	6,250	5,955	6,315	6,770	7,725	8,010
	White	157,500	149,000	148,220	149,955	153,400	154,075
	Other	1,630	1,900	2,000	2,320	2,580	2,820
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	4,110	3,925	4,500	4,890	5,435	6,180
	Black	1,765	1,940	2,345	2,595	2,905	3,105
	Mixed	1,760	1,730	1,855	2,055	2,375	2,470
	White	51,860	50,095	51,210	51,235	52,670	54,150
	Other	370	460	545	575	685	815
All placed applicants	Asian	5,220	5,515	5,920	6,555	7,380	8,565
	Black	2,220	2,640	3,075	3,545	3,865	4,305
	Mixed	2,095	2,110	2,220	2,440	2,825	3,020
	White	57,885	56,365	56,935	57,230	59,555	61,730
	Other	475	615	695	785	910	1,125
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	2,688.6	2,553.0	2,636.5	2,775.3	2,873.4	3,031.0
	Black	2,911.1	2,797.9	2,997.7	3,136.7	3,282.3	3,454.9
	Mixed	2,580.5	2,286.7	2,334.9	2,353.6	2,504.6	2,545.5
	White	2,432.7	2,307.6	2,355.6	2,430.6	2,462.0	2,547.0
	Other	2,014.9	2,145.0	2,206.7	2,490.4	2,675.7	2,839.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	652.5	606.4	682.1	720.9	767.8	859.0
	Black	645.6	688.2	789.5	855.8	912.6	992.3
	Mixed	727.1	664.6	686.8	714.0	770.2	785.1
	White	801.0	775.8	813.9	830.5	845.3	895.2
	Other	456.8	521.0	603.2	619.9	710.7	820.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	828.3	851.6	897.9	966.6	1,042.4	1,190.5
	Black	812.4	937.8	1,036.4	1,169.8	1,213.9	1,375.1
	Mixed	864.6	809.3	820.7	847.8	916.8	959.3
	White	894.1	872.9	904.9	927.6	955.9	1,020.5
	Other	585.2	697.3	766.4	842.3	944.1	1,135.1

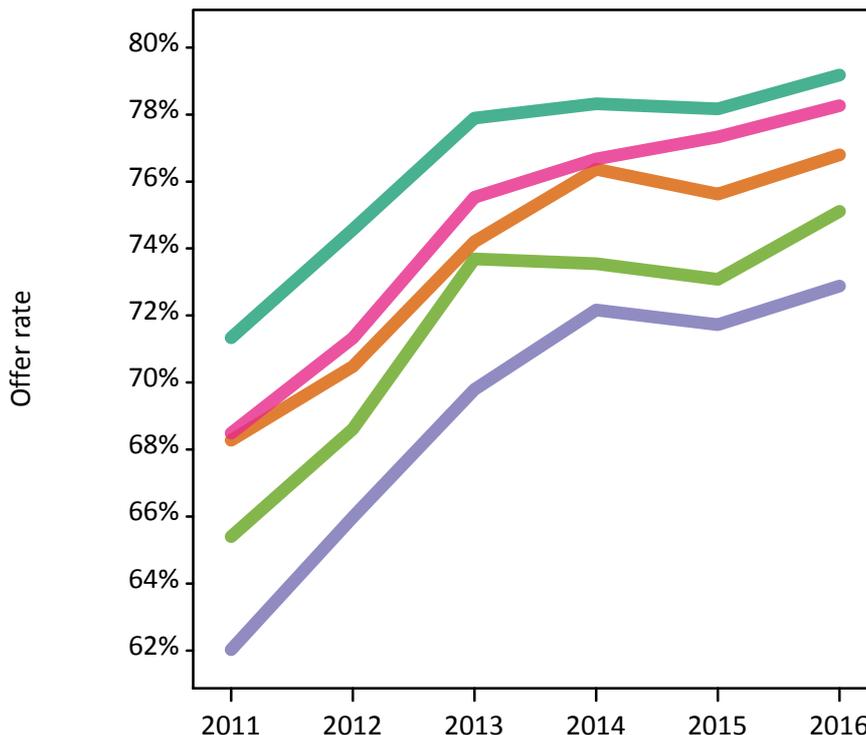
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	33,625	32,390	33,940	37,505	40,600	43,790
	Black	16,240	16,095	18,260	19,920	22,160	22,870
	Mixed	12,850	12,125	12,975	14,140	16,075	16,755
	White	336,505	316,470	314,350	320,330	327,935	330,295
	Other	3,255	3,765	4,070	4,690	5,305	5,900
Offers	Asian	22,960	22,825	25,185	28,640	30,705	33,630
	Black	10,075	10,620	12,745	14,375	15,895	16,665
	Mixed	8,800	8,645	9,800	10,840	12,430	13,115
	White	240,065	235,990	244,865	250,875	256,335	261,525
	Other	2,130	2,580	3,000	3,450	3,875	4,430
Offer rate	Asian	68.3%	70.5%	74.2%	76.4%	75.6%	76.8%
	Black	62.0%	66.0%	69.8%	72.2%	71.7%	72.9%
	Mixed	68.5%	71.3%	75.5%	76.7%	77.3%	78.3%
	White	71.3%	74.6%	77.9%	78.3%	78.2%	79.2%
	Other	65.4%	68.6%	73.7%	73.6%	73.1%	75.1%
Average offer rate	Asian	69.8%	72.1%	75.4%	77.3%	76.8%	77.9%
	Black	64.8%	68.8%	72.8%	74.5%	73.9%	75.5%
	Mixed	69.6%	71.7%	76.1%	77.2%	77.7%	78.6%
	White	71.0%	74.2%	77.5%	78.0%	77.8%	78.8%
	Other	68.7%	70.4%	75.1%	75.2%	74.9%	76.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-1.5	-1.6	-1.2	-0.9	-1.2	-1.1
	Black	-2.7	-2.8	-3.1	-2.3	-2.2	-2.7
	Mixed	-1.1	-0.4	-0.6	-0.5	-0.4	-0.3
	White	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4
	Other	-3.3	-1.8	-1.4	-1.7	-1.8	-1.4
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.307	0.302	0.302	0.296	0.301	0.308
	Black	0.180	0.180	0.187	0.187	0.184	0.179
	Mixed	0.116	0.118	0.118	0.117	0.121	0.118
	White	0.879	0.874	0.866	0.857	0.848	0.843
	Other	0.105	0.121	0.116	0.117	0.111	0.108

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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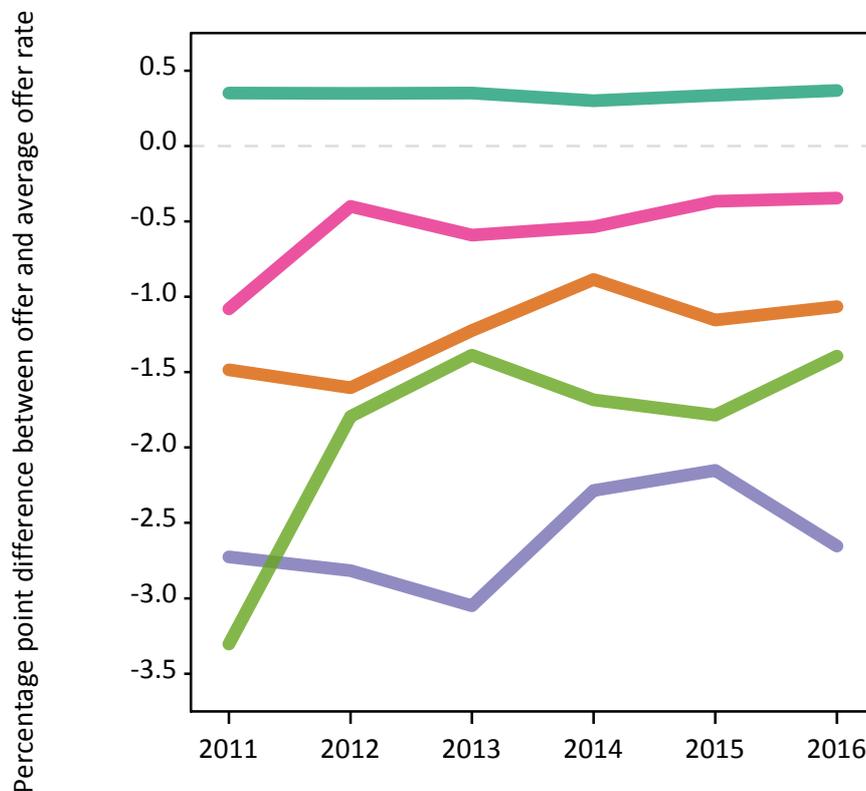
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- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



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	375,355	339,515	350,965	362,395	370,940	372,355
Placed June deadline applicants	115,735	106,165	114,745	117,800	121,570	125,065
All placed applicants	132,410	126,600	134,245	137,005	144,915	150,560

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	764,800	686,545	710,380	742,460	761,935	766,210
Offers	448,265	425,470	464,295	490,170	506,525	517,765
Offer rate	58.6%	62.0%	65.4%	66.0%	66.5%	67.6%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	162,390	144,535	149,875	154,525	156,265	156,575
	Women	212,965	194,980	201,090	207,870	214,670	215,780
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	52,420	47,620	51,460	52,165	53,150	55,175
	Women	63,315	58,545	63,285	65,640	68,420	69,895
All placed applicants	Men	59,940	57,250	60,560	61,300	64,025	67,160
	Women	72,470	69,350	73,685	75,705	80,890	83,400

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	340,065	300,790	313,230	326,905	329,835	331,885
	Women	424,735	385,755	397,150	415,555	432,105	434,325
Offers	Men	215,975	201,565	222,445	233,095	235,385	240,110
	Women	232,290	223,905	241,850	257,075	271,140	277,655
Offer rate	Men	63.5%	67.0%	71.0%	71.3%	71.4%	72.3%
	Women	54.7%	58.0%	60.9%	61.9%	62.7%	63.9%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	43,970	40,365	42,080	44,760	45,445	46,030
	Quintile 2	59,535	54,140	56,375	59,010	60,500	60,620
	Quintile 3	75,255	68,440	71,075	73,575	75,285	75,435
	Quintile 4	88,070	79,260	82,355	83,755	85,970	85,725
	Quintile 5	107,475	96,340	98,240	100,465	102,655	102,565
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	12,625	12,240	13,305	14,260	14,640	15,195
	Quintile 2	18,100	16,540	18,230	19,050	19,740	20,310
	Quintile 3	22,140	20,525	22,475	23,360	23,835	24,680
	Quintile 4	27,760	25,560	27,425	27,800	28,680	29,540
	Quintile 5	34,785	31,045	33,045	33,090	34,360	34,695
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	14,265	14,435	15,250	16,305	17,240	17,820
	Quintile 2	20,355	19,585	21,005	21,815	23,140	23,960
	Quintile 3	25,215	24,565	26,495	27,270	28,605	29,955
	Quintile 4	31,830	30,470	32,245	32,305	34,285	35,705
	Quintile 5	40,355	37,185	38,915	38,995	41,215	42,320

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	86,130	77,665	80,515	86,725	88,300	90,225
	Quintile 2	118,495	106,580	110,855	118,080	120,910	121,925
	Quintile 3	150,820	136,665	142,055	148,900	153,150	153,755
	Quintile 4	182,020	162,870	170,075	174,705	180,360	179,825
	Quintile 5	225,200	200,765	205,190	212,350	217,020	216,550
Offers	Quintile 1	45,315	43,195	48,265	53,330	54,990	57,105
	Quintile 2	66,055	62,460	69,810	74,935	77,700	79,780
	Quintile 3	84,600	81,950	90,000	95,905	99,445	101,825
	Quintile 4	108,845	103,050	113,100	116,925	121,405	123,215
	Quintile 5	142,335	133,735	142,155	148,080	151,670	153,465
Offer rate	Quintile 1	52.6%	55.6%	59.9%	61.5%	62.3%	63.3%
	Quintile 2	55.7%	58.6%	63.0%	63.5%	64.3%	65.4%
	Quintile 3	56.1%	60.0%	63.4%	64.4%	64.9%	66.2%
	Quintile 4	59.8%	63.3%	66.5%	66.9%	67.3%	68.5%
	Quintile 5	63.2%	66.6%	69.3%	69.7%	69.9%	70.9%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	35,500	32,925	34,810	37,670	39,895	41,470
	Black	28,295	26,605	27,075	28,520	29,670	29,870
	Mixed	13,365	11,905	12,750	13,810	14,990	15,495
	White	291,520	261,205	269,195	274,760	277,700	276,195
	Other	4,075	4,750	4,935	5,485	5,920	6,305
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	8,020	7,385	8,625	9,280	10,130	11,115
	Black	4,655	4,865	5,385	5,760	6,265	6,575
	Mixed	3,680	3,435	3,790	4,030	4,585	4,745
	White	97,845	88,870	95,130	96,865	98,355	100,080
	Other	855	1,065	1,205	1,290	1,480	1,660
All placed applicants	Asian	10,080	10,435	11,485	12,600	13,950	15,640
	Black	5,790	6,660	7,195	7,950	8,700	9,410
	Mixed	4,285	4,260	4,555	4,895	5,575	5,935
	White	109,970	102,385	108,150	108,560	113,135	115,520
	Other	1,100	1,480	1,605	1,765	2,080	2,355

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	68,805	62,565	66,240	73,405	78,215	81,540
	Black	49,990	46,725	48,080	51,790	55,115	55,550
	Mixed	26,610	23,565	25,380	27,885	30,490	31,540
	White	606,685	540,780	557,085	574,730	581,065	579,290
	Other	7,750	8,850	9,440	10,515	11,725	12,505
Offers	Asian	38,980	37,340	42,315	48,365	51,450	54,890
	Black	19,515	20,055	23,400	26,175	28,725	29,765
	Mixed	14,755	14,090	16,145	17,980	20,210	21,230
	White	368,460	346,915	374,350	388,970	395,770	400,405
	Other	3,865	4,790	5,690	6,330	7,130	7,875
Offer rate	Asian	56.7%	59.7%	63.9%	65.9%	65.8%	67.3%
	Black	39.0%	42.9%	48.7%	50.5%	52.1%	53.6%
	Mixed	55.4%	59.8%	63.6%	64.5%	66.3%	67.3%
	White	60.7%	64.2%	67.2%	67.7%	68.1%	69.1%
	Other	49.9%	54.1%	60.3%	60.2%	60.8%	63.0%

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 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.