Sex, area background and ethnic group



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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

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	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	3,305	3,130	3,490	3,660	3,235	1,475
Placed June deadline applicants	665	705	740	965	785	245
All placed applicants	780	825	840	1,050	880	290
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	43.4	41.5	45.6	48.8	43.7	20.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	8.7	9.4	9.7	12.8	10.6	3.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	10.3	10.9	11.0	14.0	11.9	4.0

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	3,590	3,495	3,955	4,405	3,890	1,555
Offers	3,110	3,055	3,450	3,955	3,460	1,525
Offer rate	86.5%	87.4%	87.2%	89.8%	88.9%	97.9%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	1,575	1,570	1,750	2,080	2,030	660
	Women	1,730	1,555	1,740	1,580	1,205	815
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	350	395	430	650	580	125
	Women	315	310	310	315	205	120
All placed applicants	Men	400	445	480	700	640	150
	Women	385	375	360	345	240	140
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	40.4	40.6	44.5	54.2	53.4	17.8
population	Women	46.7	42.5	46.6	43.2	33.4	23.1
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	9.0	10.2	10.9	16.9	15.2	3.4
10,000 population	Women	8.4	8.5	8.3	8.6	5.7	3.5
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	10.2	11.5	12.3	18.3	16.9	4.0
population	Women	10.3	10.3	9.6	9.5	6.6	4.0

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	1,775	1,840	2,100	2,710	2,600	715
	Women	1,820	1,655	1,855	1,695	1,290	845
Offers	Men	1,635	1,750	1,935	2,545	2,460	705
	Women	1,470	1,305	1,515	1,410	1,000	820
Offer rate	Men	92.3%	95.1%	92.1%	93.9%	94.6%	98.9%
	Women	80.9%	78.9%	81.7%	83.3%	77.4%	97.2%
Average offer rate	Men	91.8%	94.4%	92.4%	93.7%	94.6%	99.0%
	Women	81.4%	79.7%	81.4%	83.6%	77.4%	97.1%
Percentage point difference between	Men	0.5	0.7	-0.3	0.2	-0.0	-0.1
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	-0.5	-0.8	0.3	-0.3	0.1	0.1
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.656	0.679	0.702	0.750	0.811	0.664
offer rate	Women	0.664	0.642	0.663	0.600	0.619	0.716

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 2013-2018.

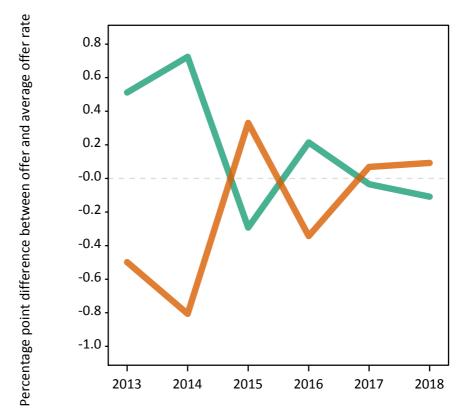




P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.





P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	395	390	410	480	385	180
	Quintile 2	525	505	595	665	580	265
	Quintile 3	660	670	725	775	725	270
	Quintile 4	865	785	855	835	745	375
	Quintile 5	855	765	895	900	785	380
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	75	90	85	125	80	30
	Quintile 2	95	120	130	190	125	45
	Quintile 3	140	145	135	195	185	40
	Quintile 4	175	170	175	220	185	60
	Quintile 5	180	185	210	230	205	70
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	85	110	95	130	80	30
	Quintile 2	110	135	145	200	155	50
	Quintile 3	165	170	150	215	205	55
	Quintile 4	200	195	205	240	210	75
	Quintile 5	215	215	240	255	230	80
June deadline applicants per 10,00	Quintile 1	28.1	27.7	29.0	35.2	28.8	13.8
population	Quintile 2	36.3	35.2	40.8	46.7	41.4	19.7
	Quintile 3	44.5	45.8	48.3	52.7	50.1	19.1
	Quintile 4	56.1	51.6	55.2	54.9	49.4	25.3
	Quintile 5	49.5	45.0	51.5	52.2	45.8	22.6
Placed June deadline applicants pe	r Quintile 1	5.4	6.3	6.0	9.3	5.9	2.2
10,000 population	Quintile 2	6.5	8.4	9.0	13.5	9.0	3.5
	Quintile 3	9.4	9.8	8.9	13.4	12.9	3.0
	Quintile 4	11.2	11.0	11.4	14.4	12.3	4.1
	Quintile 5	10.5	10.8	12.1	13.3	12.0	4.1
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	5.9	8.0	6.9	9.7	6.1	2.4
population	Quintile 2	7.7	9.3	10.0	14.2	11.0	3.8
	Quintile 3	11.2	11.5	10.1	14.7	14.3	3.8
	Quintile 4	13.1	12.9	13.1	15.7	13.8	5.2
	Quintile 5	12.5	12.5	13.9	14.9	13.3	4.6

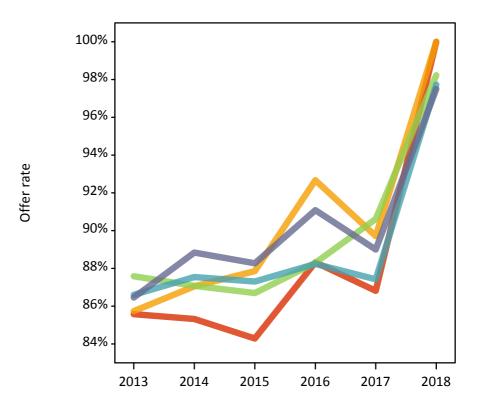
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic PO	LAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	430	445	470	590	455	195
	Quintile 2	560	565	690	860	690	280
	Quintile 3	710	745	795	925	885	280
	Quintile 4	950	885	970	970	885	395
	Quintile 5	940	850	1,015	1,055	965	400
Offers	Quintile 1	370	380	395	520	395	190
	Quintile 2	480	490	610	795	620	280
	Quintile 3	620	645	690	815	800	275
	Quintile 4	820	775	845	855	770	385
	Quintile 5	810	755	895	960	860	390
Offer rate	Quintile 1	85.6%	85.3%	84.3%	88.3%	86.8%	100.0%
	Quintile 2	85.7%	87.1%	87.9%	92.7%	89.7%	100.0%
	Quintile 3	87.6%	87.1%	86.7%	88.3%	90.6%	98.2%
	Quintile 4	86.6%	87.5%	87.3%	88.2%	87.4%	97.7%
	Quintile 5	86.5%	88.8%	88.3%	91.1%	89.0%	97.5%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	85.7%	86.8%	84.7%	89.7%	87.9%	98.4%
	Quintile 2	84.8%	87.0%	86.9%	91.1%	89.2%	98.7%
	Quintile 3	86.1%	87.4%	87.5%	89.4%	89.8%	97.6%
	Quintile 4	87.0%	87.3%	87.3%	88.4%	88.5%	97.7%
	Quintile 5	87.6%	88.1%	88.2%	90.4%	88.6%	97.7%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-0.1	-1.5	-0.4	-1.4	-1.1	1.6
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	0.9	0.0	1.0	1.6	0.6	1.3
	Quintile 3	1.4	-0.3	-0.8	-1.1	0.8	0.7
	Quintile 4	-0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-1.1	0.0
	Quintile 5	-1.1	0.8	0.1	0.7	0.4	-0.2
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.202	0.211	0.215	0.206	0.194	0.242
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.241	0.243	0.248	0.267	0.245	0.305
	Quintile 3	0.285	0.296	0.279	0.274	0.295	0.304
	Quintile 4	0.347	0.341	0.320	0.297	0.303	0.358
	Quintile 5	0.359	0.341	0.337	0.311	0.347	0.363

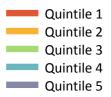
P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

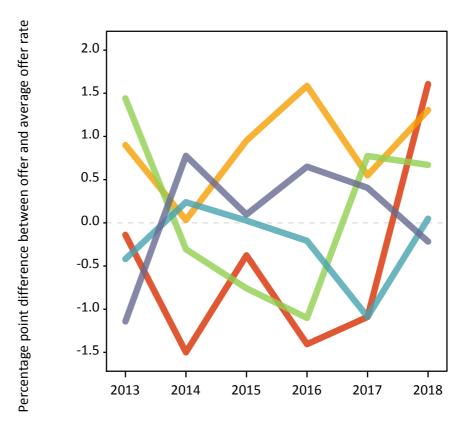
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.





P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	300	315	330	340	305	200
	Black	295	295	320	295	260	110
	Mixed	130	135	180	175	160	90
	White	2,545	2,340	2,595	2,785	2,455	1,035
	Other	30	40	50	55	40	30
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	50	60	55	70	60	40
	Black	45	45	40	45	50	15
	Mixed	25	35	35	40	45	15
	White	535	555	595	790	620	170
	Other	10	10	10	10	10	5
All placed applicants	Asian	70	80	65	85	75	60
	Black	75	60	55	60	60	25
	Mixed	30	40	45	45	50	15
	White	590	625	655	840	680	180
	Other	10	10	15	10	15	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	45.8	46.2	46.9	47.0	41.7	27.0
population	Black	99.0	97.3	100.8	93.6	82.0	35.9
	Mixed	47.7	46.2	58.7	55.3	49.2	27.3
	White	40.4	37.9	41.7	46.0	41.4	18.0
	Other	34.2	43.0	52.9	55.3	40.8	27.6
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	7.7	9.0	7.8	9.7	8.2	5.5
10,000 population	Black	15.5	14.2	13.2	15.0	15.3	4.8
	Mixed	8.9	12.2	11.7	13.3	13.7	4.3
	White	8.5	9.0	9.5	13.1	10.5	2.9
	Other	8.8	10.7	11.4	9.0	8.7	4.8
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	10.5	11.8	9.5	12.1	10.5	8.2
population	Black	25.3	19.1	17.6	19.2	18.7	7.4
	Mixed	11.8	13.2	13.9	14.0	15.3	5.0
	White	9.4	10.1	10.5	13.9	11.4	3.1
	Other	8.8	10.7	15.6	9.0	12.6	5.7

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

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Black 245 245 280 265 225	
Mixed 115 120 180 180 175	
White 2,440 2,380 2,650 3,115 2,715	1,085
Other 30 30 45 45 40	25
Offer rate Asian 86.0% 83.3% 83.1% 88.7% 87.0%	95.3%
Black 78.7% 79.4% 79.7% 82.3% 80.3%	100.0%
Mixed 82.6% 84.5% 91.3% 87.5% 88.3%	100.0%
White 87.7% 89.3% 88.2% 91.2% 90.0%	98.6%
Other 84.8% 71.4% 88.7% 70.5% 85.7%	100.0%
Average offer rate Asian 86.1% 84.2% 83.8% 86.9% 85.9%	95.1%
Black 81.2% 80.5% 82.9% 85.0% 80.4%	97.6%
Mixed 86.7% 84.8% 88.7% 89.5%	98.3%
White 87.2% 88.9% 88.0% 90.8% 90.0%	98.5%
Other 82.8% 77.6% 88.8% 83.8% 86.7%	97.4%
Percentage point difference between Asian -0.1 -0.9 -0.7 1.9 1.1	0.1
offer rate and average offer rate Black -2.5 -1.1 -3.2 -2.7 -0.1	2.4
Mixed -4.0 -0.3 2.6 -1.2 -1.1	1.7
White 0.5 0.4 0.3 0.4 -0.0	0.1
Other N/A N/A -0.1 -13.3 N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average Asian 0.243 0.255 0.261 0.252 0.281	0.313
offer rate Black 0.207 0.209 0.213 0.180 0.186	0.214
Mixed 0.136 0.179 0.127 0.120 0.128	0.203
White 0.819 0.812 0.804 0.816 0.819	0.770
Other 0.137 0.100 0.086 0.089 0.088	0.113

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

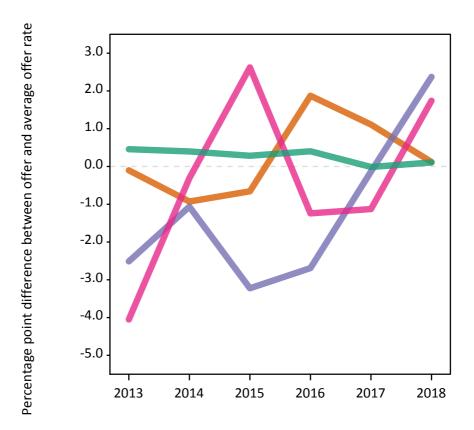
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P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.





P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	8,775	9,005	8,945	9,390	8,205	4,870
Placed June deadline applicants	1,715	1,720	1,755	2,085	1,975	1,335
All placed applicants	2,135	2,175	2,165	2,505	2,675	1,585

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	9,480	9,875	9,930	10,735	9,435	5,140
Offers	6,295	6,145	6,420	7,205	6,655	4,255
Offer rate	66.4%	62.2%	64.6%	67.1%	70.6%	82.8%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	3,490	3,570	3,790	4,160	4,005	1,940
	Women	5,290	5,435	5,155	5,235	4,195	2,930
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	770	835	875	1,135	1,155	555
	Women	945	890	880	945	820	780
All placed applicants	Men	945	1,035	1,070	1,335	1,550	660
	Women	1,195	1,140	1,095	1,170	1,125	925

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	3,885	4,110	4,435	5,145	4,955	2,075
	Women	5,590	5,765	5,500	5,590	4,480	3,060
Offers	Men	3,045	3,190	3,355	4,050	4,145	1,830
	Women	3,250	2,950	3,065	3,155	2,510	2,425
Offer rate	Men	78.4%	77.7%	75.6%	78.7%	83.7%	88.2%
	Women	58.1%	51.2%	55.8%	56.5%	56.0%	79.1%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	950	1,095	1,065	1,145	955	475
	Quintile 2	1,450	1,430	1,445	1,485	1,345	725
	Quintile 3	1,805	1,850	1,880	1,990	1,755	935
	Quintile 4	2,270	2,305	2,245	2,340	2,140	1,450
	Quintile 5	2,280	2,295	2,285	2,395	1,975	1,260
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	170	200	190	250	180	95
	Quintile 2	260	280	285	365	290	170
	Quintile 3	325	345	355	415	430	270
	Quintile 4	445	420	420	500	570	425
	Quintile 5	515	470	505	550	490	370
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	200	260	230	280	215	105
	Quintile 2	320	325	335	420	390	200
	Quintile 3	425	445	440	500	575	320
	Quintile 4	550	540	530	625	845	520
	Quintile 5	640	600	625	665	640	435

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,035	1,205	1,180	1,330	1,100	500
	Quintile 2	1,555	1,560	1,605	1,770	1,560	765
	Quintile 3	1,935	2,025	2,055	2,280	2,015	985
	Quintile 4	2,455	2,520	2,495	2,610	2,405	1,520
	Quintile 5	2,480	2,530	2,560	2,710	2,325	1,340
Offers	Quintile 1	695	745	740	910	785	410
	Quintile 2	1,030	1,000	1,065	1,250	1,135	625
	Quintile 3	1,275	1,285	1,345	1,495	1,445	805
	Quintile 4	1,570	1,480	1,535	1,675	1,625	1,255
	Quintile 5	1,705	1,615	1,720	1,850	1,650	1,135
Offer rate	Quintile 1	67.3%	62.0%	62.5%	68.3%	71.4%	81.6%
	Quintile 2	66.5%	64.1%	66.4%	70.7%	72.6%	81.8%
	Quintile 3	65.8%	63.3%	65.5%	65.6%	71.6%	81.6%
	Quintile 4	64.0%	58.7%	61.4%	64.2%	67.5%	82.6%
	Quintile 5	68.8%	63.8%	67.1%	68.3%	71.0%	84.9%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,085	1,100	1,120	1,215	1,060	880
	Black	2,085	2,410	2,245	2,365	2,105	1,270
	Mixed	355	375	425	430	360	230
	White	5,080	4,895	4,895	5,105	4,450	2,280
	Other	130	155	180	190	145	115
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	200	190	195	235	240	290
	Black	270	270	270	315	390	330
	Mixed	80	85	75	85	85	55
	White	1,140	1,135	1,170	1,390	1,210	570
	Other	25	30	30	35	30	25
All placed applicants	Asian	270	265	260	310	480	345
	Black	385	375	360	415	530	390
	Mixed	105	100	105	100	100	65
	White	1,295	1,310	1,325	1,525	1,480	650
	Other	30	40	45	40	40	35

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	1,155	1,190	1,195	1,355	1,155	925
	Black	2,210	2,540	2,375	2,505	2,225	1,310
	Mixed	380	415	470	480	425	245
	White	5,550	5,495	5,615	6,090	5,370	2,435
	Other	145	165	195	210	170	120
Offers	Asian	740	695	705	810	765	775
	Black	815	850	840	985	975	845
	Mixed	255	280	330	335	315	215
	White	4,375	4,205	4,390	4,910	4,430	2,235
	Other	90	90	115	120	115	100
Offer rate	Asian	64.2%	58.3%	58.8%	59.9%	66.3%	83.9%
	Black	36.8%	33.4%	35.5%	39.3%	43.8%	64.3%
	Mixed	66.6%	68.1%	70.0%	69.4%	74.2%	88.9%
	White	78.8%	76.6%	78.2%	80.6%	82.6%	91.7%
	Other	62.9%	53.9%	59.0%	58.2%	67.5%	83.5%

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 2018 cycle runs from September 2017 through to October 2018.

End of cycle

The point in the cycle to which the numbers in this report refer, and the point at which the cycle is closed such that no more applications or offers can be made, and no more applicants can be placed. Numbers reported at the end of cycle exclude information on a small number of applicants who cancelled during the cycle.

Extra

Applicants who are unsuccessful in obtaining an offer or decline all offers may be eligible to apply through Extra, where they can apply to one further course at a time. Extra operates from 25 February until early July. It provides applicants who are eligible the possibility of obtaining an offer before exam results are published and Clearing starts.

June 30 deadline

The deadline for main scheme applications. Applicants who apply after this date will go directly into Clearing.

Record of Prior Acceptance (RPA)

RPA is an acceptance route used when a provider informs UCAS of applicants it has accepted outside of the normal application process (e.g. individuals who have applied directly to the provider).

Reporting groups

Ethnic group

High level grouping of ethnic origin as declared by the applicant: 'White', 'Black', 'Asian', 'Mixed', 'Other', 'Unknown'. Applicants who declare themselves as 'Unknown' ethnic origin are not reported in these tables, but are included in the associated csv data file.

POLAR4 quintile

Developed by OfS, POLAR4 classifies small areas across the UK into five groups according to their level of young participation in Higher Education. Each of these groups represents around 20 per cent of young people and is ranked from Quintile 1 (areas with the lowest young participation rates, considered as the most disadvantaged) to Quintile 5 (highest young participation rates, considered most advantaged). POLAR4 is based on the participation rates of young people between between 2009-10 and 2013-14 if they entered higher education aged 18, or between 2010-11 and 2014-15 if they entered aged 19, therefore is most suitable for applicants aged 19 and under. These groups are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant at the time of their application. If a UK postcode is invalid, considered unsafe for measurement or there is no link to Census geography possible then the applicant is not assigned to a quintile. Applicants with no POLAR4 quintile are not reported.

Sex

Sex as declared by the applicant.

SIMD 2016 quintile

Scottish index of multiple deprivation (SIMD) identifies small area concentrations of multiple deprivation across all of Scotland, providing a relative measure of deprivation amongst 6505 small areas (data zones) based on 7 socio-economic domains. These small areas are classified into five groups ranked from Quintile 1 (considered the most deprived) to Quintile 5 (considered least deprived), with equal populations in each quintile. Quintiles are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant, applicants declaring invalid postcodes are classified as 'Not assigned' and are not reported.

SIMD is only defined for applicants domiciled in Scotland, therefore any applicants domiciled outside of Scotland cannot be assigned to an SIMD quintile and so are not reported for this measure.

SIMD is only reported for providers in Scotland. Application and entry rates by SIMD are reported in the 2018 End of Cycle Report and the 2018 cycle January deadline application rate report.

Statistics reported in the tables

All placed applicants

The number of applicants placed for entry into higher education at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA.

All placed applicants per 10,000 population

The number of total UK domiciled 18 year old placed applicants for entry into higher education at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Average offer rate

The offer rate that you might expect if the predicted grades and subject choice of applicants were the only factors that influenced whether an applicant was made an offer by the provider. The average offer rate is calculated by dividing applicants according to their specific combination of grades (for A levels the best three predicted grades are used, for BTECs, International Baccalaureate and Scottish Highers and Advanced Highers, predicted grades along with any grades already achieved upon applying are used) and subject choice. For each combination the number of main scheme offers is divided by the number of main scheme applications, to give an overall offer rate. This is then multiplied by the number of applications made by the group for which the average offer rate is being calculated (for example POLAR4 quintile 1), to give an average number of offers for that group. These average number of offers are then added together across all combinations of predicted grade and subject and divided by the number of main scheme applications from the group to give the average offer rate.

The average offer rate does not attempt to control for any other factors that may play a part in the decision to make an offer, such as the subject of the qualifications studied, their relevance to a course, or the grade in each subject; higher numbers of A levels being studied; the exact profile of grades predicted; personal statements; teacher references; interviews; or any other criteria (such as work experience or portfolios) that may be part of the admissions decision.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Contribution of group to the average offer rate

The way in which the average offer rate is defined means that the pattern of application and offers of a group (for example POLAR4 quintile 1) will always contribute, in part, to the average offer rate for that group. When this contribution is large, the average offer rate will mainly reflect the patterns for the group, meaning that the value of the average offer rate will be similar to the offer rate, the percentage point difference statistic will be small, and any real difference between the offer rate and what might be expected given the predicted grades and subject choices of the applicants will be difficult to detect.

Values of the contribution of group to the average offer rate range between 0 and 1. The closer the value is to 1 the greater the contribution a group makes to its own average offer rate.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Placed June deadline applicants

An applicant who has been placed for entry into higher education at the provider through a June deadline application.

Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old placed June deadline applicants at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their June deadline applications. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider, but for placed June deadline applicants only. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider through a June deadline application.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

June deadline applications

An application (or choice) to a course in higher education to the provider that is made by the June 30 deadline. Each applicant can make up to five choices this way. The number of June deadline applications does not include choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs. Applications made to October deadline courses received after the October deadline are not included in these statistics.

June deadline applicants

The number of applicants that made at least one application to the provider by the June 30 deadline.

June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old June deadline applicants to the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, who applied by the June 30 deadline. It is equivalent to the application rate. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will apply to a provider by the June 30 deadline.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Offers

An offer is defined as a provider's decision in response to an application to offer a place to an applicant, often subject to the applicant satisfying academic and/or other criteria, via a June deadline application (i.e. does not cover choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs).

Offer rate

The number of offers made divided by the number of June deadline applications. This gives the proportion of all June deadline applications to the provider that received an offer.

Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate

The offer rate minus the average offer rate.

The percentage point difference can be compared to the expected range of statistical variation resulting from the calculation of the average offer rate using the Average Offer Rate Lookup Table. Where the value of the percentage point difference lies outside of this range, the percentage point difference may be considered to represent a real difference between the offer rate and the average offer rate.

Other definitions

Age

This analysis uses country-specific age definitions that align with the cut off points for school and college cohorts within the different administrations of the UK. For England and Wales, ages are defined on the 31 August, for Northern Ireland on the 1 July and for Scotland on the 28 February the following year. Defining ages in this way matches the assignment of children to school cohorts. For applicants outside of the UK a cohort cut off of 31 August has been used. Numbers for applicants aged 17 and under are included in the tables that report numbers for all age groups. Providers in Scotland typically receive a higher proportion of applicants aged 17 and under compared to providers elsewhere in the UK.

Provider

A higher education provider - a university or college.

UK domiciled

Declared area of permanent residence within England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Applicants from the Channel Islands and Isle of Man are not included.