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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	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	9,770	9,490	9,455	9,240	8,760	7,695
Placed June deadline applicants	2,040	2,125	1,920	2,110	2,160	1,720
All placed applicants	2,415	2,425	2,240	2,460	2,460	2,025
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	128.4	126.0	123.4	123.3	118.3	106.5
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	26.8	28.2	25.0	28.2	29.2	23.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	31.7	32.2	29.3	32.8	33.2	28.0

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	10,510	10,255	10,120	10,030	9,570	8,470
Offers	9,065	8,855	8,630	8,805	8,395	7,445
Offer rate	86.3%	86.4%	85.3%	87.8%	87.7%	87.9%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	4,555	4,265	4,155	3,870	3,700	3,265
	Women	5,215	5,230	5,300	5,370	5,065	4,430
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,010	1,020	915	955	985	710
	Women	1,030	1,105	1,005	1,155	1,175	1,015
All placed applicants	Men	1,200	1,170	1,070	1,110	1,120	835
	Women	1,215	1,255	1,170	1,350	1,335	1,190
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	116.7	110.1	105.9	100.8	97.4	88.1
	Women	140.8	142.8	141.8	146.9	140.2	125.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	25.8	26.3	23.3	24.9	26.0	19.1
	Women	27.8	30.2	26.9	31.6	32.6	28.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	30.8	30.3	27.3	28.9	29.5	22.5
	Women	32.7	34.3	31.4	36.9	37.0	33.8

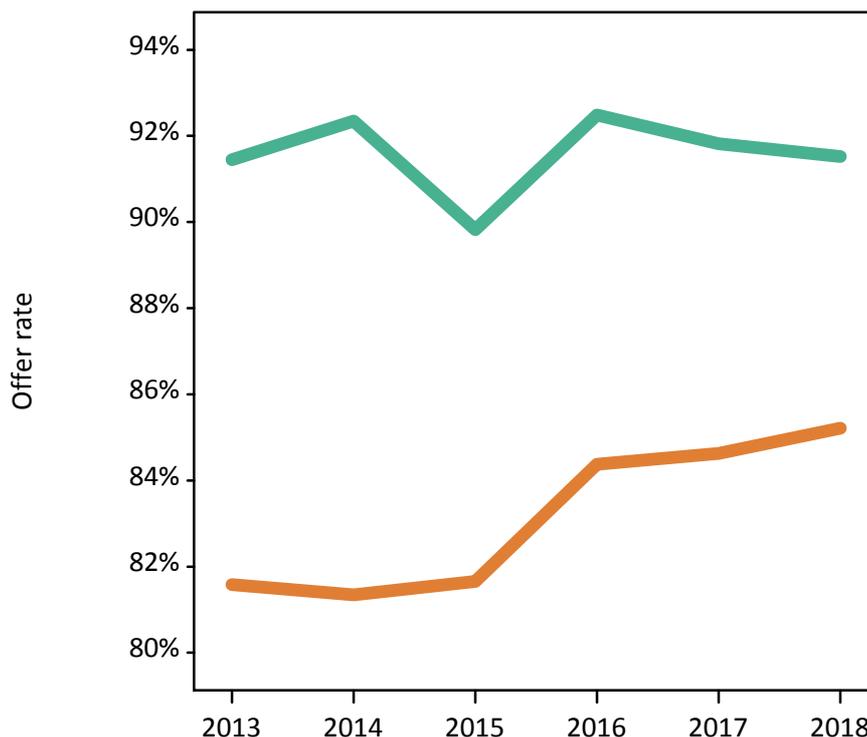
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	4,980	4,690	4,500	4,220	4,120	3,620
	Women	5,525	5,565	5,620	5,810	5,450	4,850
Offers	Men	4,555	4,330	4,040	3,900	3,780	3,315
	Women	4,510	4,525	4,590	4,905	4,615	4,130
Offer rate	Men	91.4%	92.3%	89.8%	92.5%	91.8%	91.5%
	Women	81.6%	81.3%	81.7%	84.4%	84.6%	85.2%
Average offer rate	Men	91.5%	92.4%	89.7%	92.6%	91.9%	91.9%
	Women	81.6%	81.3%	81.8%	84.3%	84.6%	84.9%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.0	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4
	Women	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.659	0.650	0.639	0.609	0.630	0.618
	Women	0.692	0.705	0.711	0.716	0.720	0.715

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.

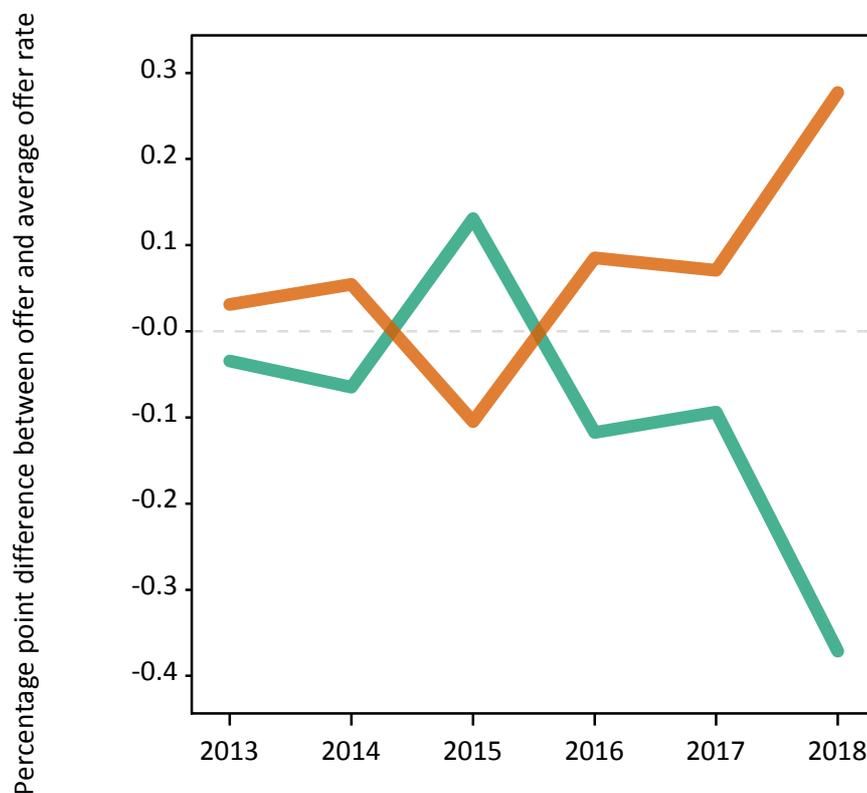
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,080	1,085	1,140	1,145	1,165	1,075
	Quintile 2	1,670	1,675	1,665	1,670	1,605	1,385
	Quintile 3	2,085	2,035	2,050	1,920	1,925	1,620
	Quintile 4	2,200	2,130	2,020	1,965	1,865	1,625
	Quintile 5	2,725	2,550	2,560	2,525	2,180	1,955
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	240	240	250	270	295	255
	Quintile 2	360	440	370	425	465	355
	Quintile 3	485	490	460	445	490	345
	Quintile 4	440	450	395	440	435	375
	Quintile 5	515	505	435	530	470	390
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	275	260	285	300	340	290
	Quintile 2	420	490	430	485	515	410
	Quintile 3	570	560	535	520	540	415
	Quintile 4	515	520	465	530	515	440
	Quintile 5	630	590	525	620	540	465
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	76.8	77.1	80.5	84.0	87.1	82.6
	Quintile 2	115.0	116.5	114.0	117.7	115.0	102.4
	Quintile 3	140.3	139.0	136.9	131.1	133.0	114.8
	Quintile 4	142.7	139.8	130.3	129.1	123.2	110.2
	Quintile 5	158.1	149.9	147.4	146.4	127.1	116.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	16.9	17.0	17.7	19.7	22.0	19.5
	Quintile 2	24.7	30.5	25.5	29.9	33.2	26.1
	Quintile 3	32.7	33.6	30.8	30.5	33.8	24.5
	Quintile 4	28.5	29.5	25.6	29.0	28.9	25.3
	Quintile 5	29.8	29.6	25.0	30.7	27.5	23.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	19.4	18.5	20.2	22.0	25.5	22.1
	Quintile 2	28.8	34.1	29.4	34.2	37.0	30.4
	Quintile 3	38.3	38.1	35.6	35.5	37.3	29.3
	Quintile 4	33.5	34.2	29.9	34.6	33.9	29.8
	Quintile 5	36.7	34.7	30.3	36.1	31.5	27.5

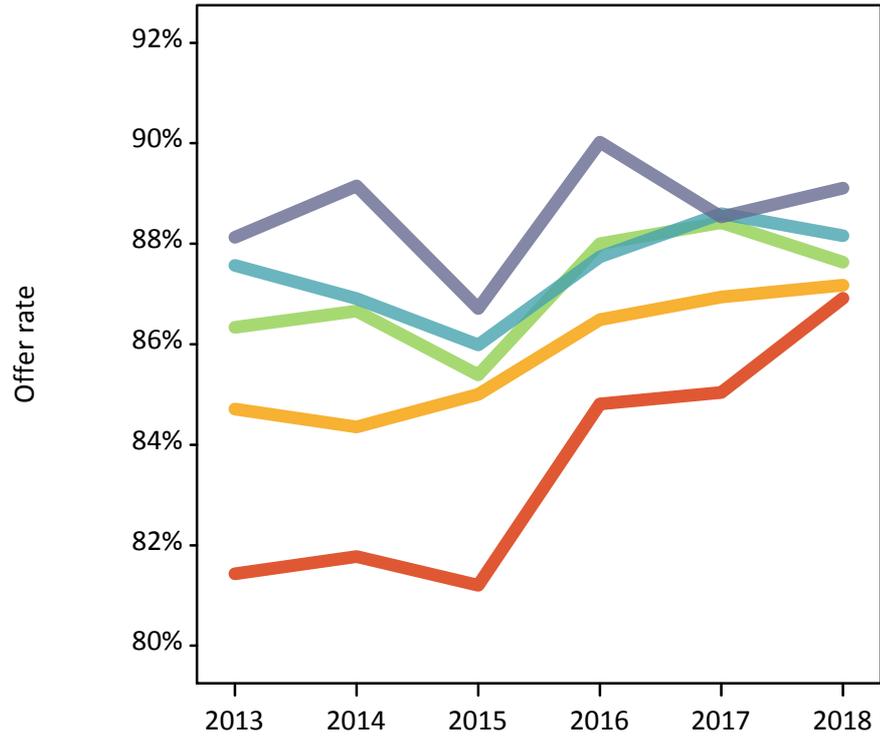
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,190	1,205	1,250	1,295	1,315	1,215
	Quintile 2	1,820	1,835	1,825	1,845	1,815	1,575
	Quintile 3	2,300	2,210	2,230	2,110	2,125	1,805
	Quintile 4	2,350	2,290	2,135	2,120	1,990	1,775
	Quintile 5	2,840	2,690	2,655	2,645	2,295	2,065
Offers	Quintile 1	970	985	1,015	1,100	1,120	1,055
	Quintile 2	1,540	1,545	1,555	1,595	1,580	1,375
	Quintile 3	1,985	1,915	1,905	1,855	1,880	1,580
	Quintile 4	2,055	1,990	1,835	1,860	1,765	1,565
	Quintile 5	2,500	2,400	2,305	2,380	2,030	1,840
Offer rate	Quintile 1	81.4%	81.8%	81.2%	84.8%	85.0%	86.9%
	Quintile 2	84.7%	84.4%	85.0%	86.5%	86.9%	87.2%
	Quintile 3	86.3%	86.7%	85.4%	88.0%	88.4%	87.6%
	Quintile 4	87.6%	86.9%	86.0%	87.7%	88.6%	88.2%
	Quintile 5	88.1%	89.2%	86.7%	90.0%	88.5%	89.1%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	81.8%	83.3%	82.7%	85.7%	86.3%	87.2%
	Quintile 2	85.4%	84.4%	84.7%	86.5%	88.0%	87.1%
	Quintile 3	86.9%	85.7%	85.8%	88.3%	87.7%	87.2%
	Quintile 4	87.2%	87.3%	86.3%	88.0%	88.5%	88.3%
	Quintile 5	87.3%	88.9%	85.6%	89.2%	87.8%	89.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-0.4	-1.6	-1.5	-0.9	-1.3	-0.3
	Quintile 2	-0.7	-0.0	0.3	0.0	-1.0	0.1
	Quintile 3	-0.5	1.0	-0.4	-0.3	0.7	0.5
	Quintile 4	0.3	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	0.1	-0.2
	Quintile 5	0.8	0.2	1.1	0.9	0.7	-0.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.231	0.214	0.215	0.223	0.240	0.220
	Quintile 2	0.251	0.262	0.252	0.265	0.278	0.264
	Quintile 3	0.293	0.287	0.294	0.286	0.299	0.288
	Quintile 4	0.298	0.295	0.281	0.286	0.287	0.282
	Quintile 5	0.357	0.356	0.350	0.361	0.348	0.337

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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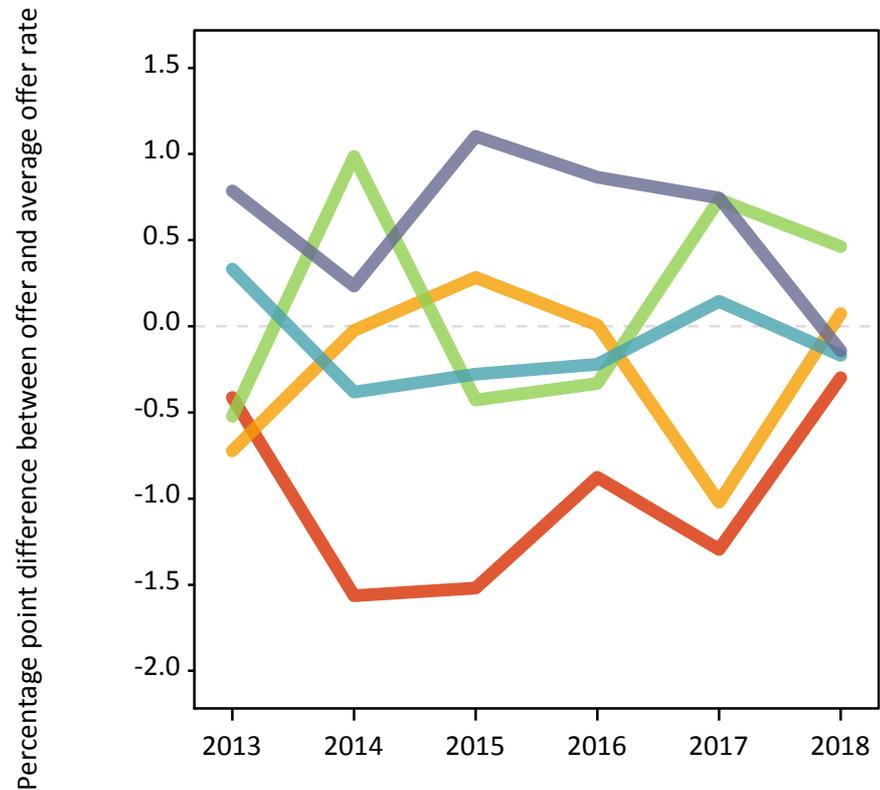
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- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 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	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	535	510	605	545	570	615
	Black	305	285	270	225	200	180
	Mixed	280	295	290	270	300	270
	White	8,545	8,310	8,195	8,080	7,590	6,500
	Other	80	60	65	75	60	85
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	50	65	60	65	65	75
	Black	45	30	25	30	25	30
	Mixed	40	50	45	55	60	55
	White	1,885	1,975	1,775	1,945	1,995	1,550
	Other	10	5	10	10	10	10
All placed applicants	Asian	85	90	80	95	90	100
	Black	70	40	40	45	35	40
	Mixed	50	60	55	65	75	65
	White	2,185	2,225	2,045	2,225	2,235	1,790
	Other	15	5	15	15	15	10
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	81.3	75.5	85.3	75.9	77.2	82.9
	Black	102.4	93.7	85.1	72.2	63.2	58.0
	Mixed	103.2	102.9	94.0	86.1	93.8	83.6
	White	135.8	134.7	131.5	133.6	127.9	113.2
	Other	86.0	65.5	68.5	74.4	57.3	78.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	7.3	9.4	8.2	8.9	9.1	10.0
	Black	15.2	9.2	8.5	10.2	7.9	9.0
	Mixed	15.2	17.4	14.6	16.8	18.7	16.7
	White	30.0	32.0	28.5	32.2	33.6	27.0
	Other	13.2	5.4	10.4	9.0	9.7	7.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	13.2	13.1	11.2	13.5	12.4	13.5
	Black	23.2	12.9	12.6	14.4	11.1	13.1
	Mixed	19.2	21.6	18.2	21.0	23.4	20.8
	White	34.7	36.1	32.9	36.8	37.7	31.2
	Other	16.5	7.5	13.5	13.1	12.6	10.5

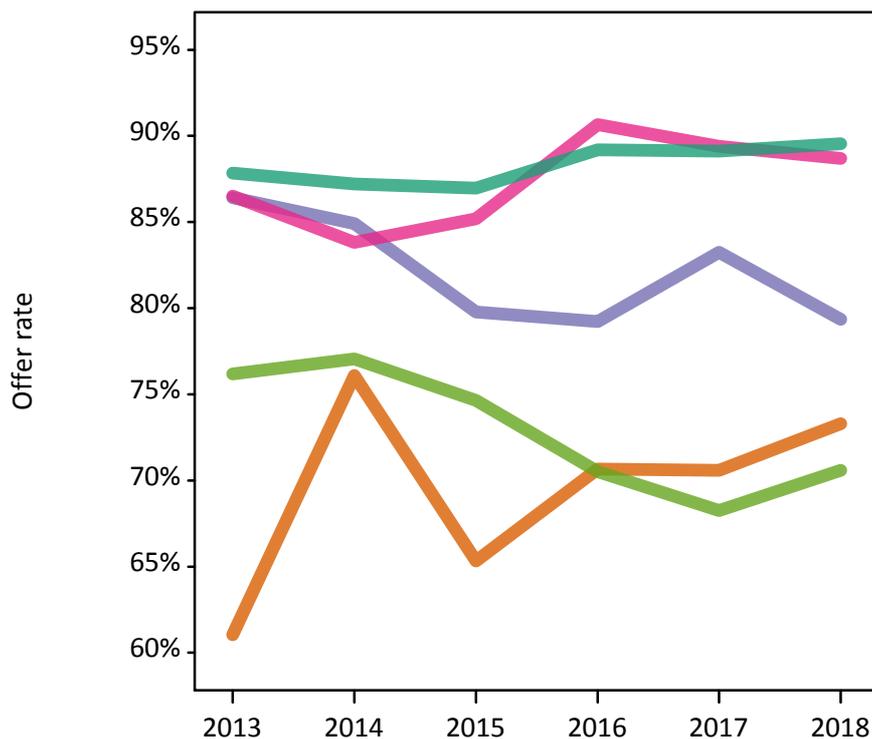
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	550	525	615	560	580	630
	Black	310	285	270	230	205	185
	Mixed	290	310	295	290	310	290
	White	9,245	9,050	8,830	8,830	8,365	7,230
	Other	85	60	70	80	65	85
Offers	Asian	335	400	405	395	410	460
	Black	265	240	215	185	170	145
	Mixed	250	260	255	260	280	260
	White	8,120	7,890	7,680	7,875	7,455	6,475
	Other	65	45	55	55	45	60
Offer rate	Asian	61.1%	76.1%	65.3%	70.7%	70.6%	73.3%
	Black	86.4%	84.9%	79.8%	79.2%	83.3%	79.3%
	Mixed	86.5%	83.8%	85.2%	90.7%	89.4%	88.7%
	White	87.8%	87.2%	87.0%	89.2%	89.1%	89.5%
	Other	76.2%	77.0%	74.6%	70.5%	68.3%	70.6%
Average offer rate	Asian	64.3%	76.3%	67.3%	72.5%	71.0%	75.6%
	Black	87.6%	85.9%	81.6%	81.6%	84.7%	82.5%
	Mixed	88.0%	88.5%	87.4%	91.0%	90.2%	90.9%
	White	87.6%	87.0%	86.7%	89.0%	89.0%	89.1%
	Other	74.4%	77.3%	78.8%	74.0%	74.1%	74.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-3.2	-0.2	-2.0	-1.9	-0.4	-2.3
	Black	-1.2	-0.9	-1.8	-2.4	-1.5	-3.2
	Mixed	-1.5	-4.6	-2.2	-0.3	-0.8	-2.2
	White	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4
	Other	1.7	-0.2	-4.2	-3.4	-5.8	-4.2
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.308	0.255	0.315	0.302	0.319	0.322
	Black	0.145	0.144	0.130	0.114	0.138	0.111
	Mixed	0.106	0.141	0.123	0.135	0.134	0.128
	White	0.907	0.906	0.901	0.906	0.903	0.889
	Other	0.086	0.127	0.139	0.109	0.093	0.083

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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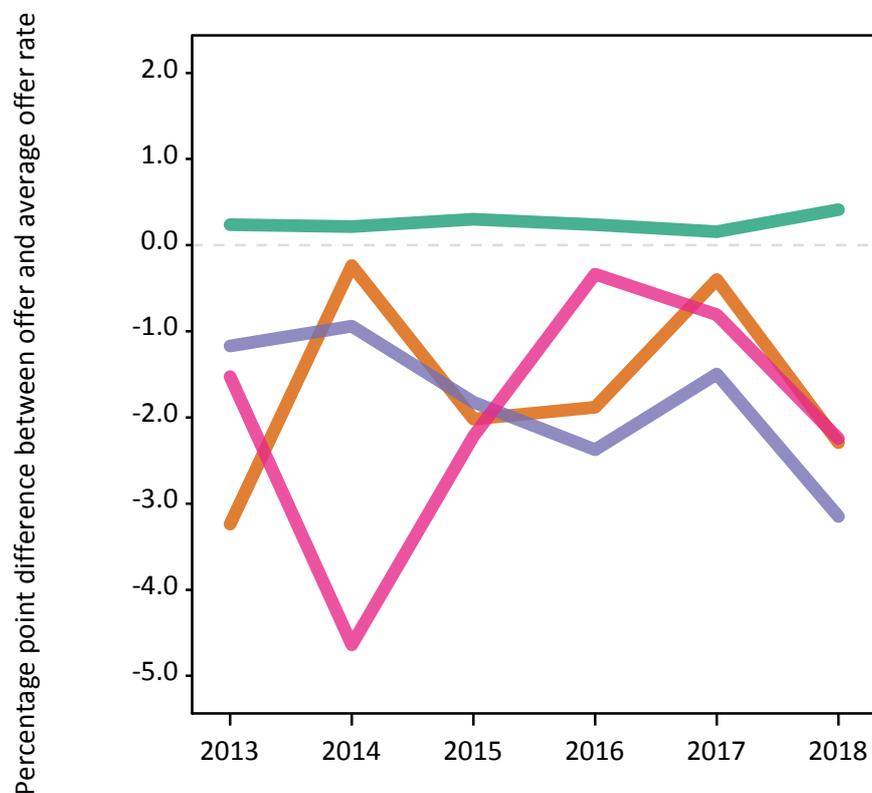
- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



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 2013-2018.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	19,490	19,315	18,505	17,820	16,345	14,160
Placed June deadline applicants	4,375	4,615	4,140	4,295	4,345	3,615
All placed applicants	5,115	5,310	4,815	4,980	4,990	4,265

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	21,445	21,445	20,330	19,790	18,215	15,850
Offers	15,905	15,910	15,015	15,145	14,330	12,745
Offer rate	74.2%	74.2%	73.8%	76.5%	78.7%	80.4%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	8,905	8,495	8,060	7,395	6,790	5,855
	Women	10,585	10,820	10,445	10,425	9,555	8,305
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	2,040	2,110	1,850	1,835	1,790	1,415
	Women	2,335	2,505	2,290	2,465	2,555	2,200
All placed applicants	Men	2,435	2,480	2,165	2,160	2,080	1,705
	Women	2,680	2,830	2,650	2,825	2,905	2,560

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	9,860	9,495	8,850	8,190	7,660	6,575
	Women	11,580	11,945	11,485	11,595	10,555	9,275
Offers	Men	7,965	7,830	7,100	6,785	6,445	5,640
	Women	7,940	8,080	7,915	8,360	7,880	7,105
Offer rate	Men	80.8%	82.5%	80.2%	82.8%	84.2%	85.8%
	Women	68.6%	67.6%	68.9%	72.1%	74.7%	76.6%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,525	2,545	2,465	2,495	2,335	2,200
	Quintile 2	3,620	3,710	3,525	3,505	3,205	2,805
	Quintile 3	4,180	4,185	4,075	3,805	3,675	3,000
	Quintile 4	4,130	4,115	3,865	3,635	3,350	2,845
	Quintile 5	5,000	4,715	4,535	4,345	3,740	3,265
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	580	645	625	640	650	605
	Quintile 2	905	1,035	880	970	990	815
	Quintile 3	1,075	1,100	990	935	1,010	795
	Quintile 4	855	875	840	850	875	695
	Quintile 5	950	945	800	890	810	690
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	665	720	715	720	765	700
	Quintile 2	1,045	1,175	1,010	1,110	1,115	955
	Quintile 3	1,225	1,240	1,145	1,095	1,160	940
	Quintile 4	1,020	1,035	970	1,005	1,000	835
	Quintile 5	1,155	1,130	965	1,045	935	820

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,830	2,915	2,765	2,875	2,700	2,510
	Quintile 2	4,125	4,290	4,025	4,015	3,735	3,255
	Quintile 3	4,685	4,700	4,555	4,275	4,135	3,400
	Quintile 4	4,480	4,490	4,165	3,995	3,640	3,145
	Quintile 5	5,270	5,005	4,775	4,590	3,965	3,485
Offers	Quintile 1	1,970	2,045	1,970	2,115	2,040	1,970
	Quintile 2	2,945	3,055	2,880	3,005	2,895	2,575
	Quintile 3	3,475	3,475	3,330	3,265	3,230	2,755
	Quintile 4	3,390	3,360	3,130	3,080	2,920	2,535
	Quintile 5	4,095	3,945	3,675	3,655	3,210	2,870
Offer rate	Quintile 1	69.6%	70.2%	71.2%	73.6%	75.6%	78.5%
	Quintile 2	71.4%	71.2%	71.6%	74.8%	77.5%	79.2%
	Quintile 3	74.2%	73.9%	73.1%	76.4%	78.2%	81.1%
	Quintile 4	75.7%	74.8%	75.2%	77.1%	80.3%	80.5%
	Quintile 5	77.7%	78.9%	77.0%	79.6%	80.9%	82.3%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,370	1,345	1,380	1,335	1,270	1,215
	Black	790	780	725	665	565	480
	Mixed	570	605	550	545	535	495
	White	16,465	16,315	15,520	14,965	13,690	11,670
	Other	195	180	205	185	180	185
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	115	150	155	170	160	160
	Black	90	75	85	80	85	70
	Mixed	95	120	95	90	115	105
	White	4,025	4,235	3,760	3,905	3,940	3,225
	Other	30	20	20	20	25	25
All placed applicants	Asian	185	210	205	230	215	200
	Black	145	115	135	115	110	105
	Mixed	115	145	125	115	140	135
	White	4,610	4,800	4,300	4,455	4,470	3,760
	Other	35	25	30	30	35	35

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	1,410	1,375	1,420	1,370	1,300	1,250
	Black	815	815	755	695	585	510
	Mixed	600	645	575	580	570	530
	White	18,310	18,325	17,240	16,820	15,445	13,235
	Other	205	185	210	190	195	200
Offers	Asian	675	775	805	800	805	825
	Black	510	525	435	400	370	330
	Mixed	455	485	430	450	460	435
	White	14,090	13,960	13,165	13,310	12,500	10,930
	Other	120	110	115	105	110	130
Offer rate	Asian	47.8%	56.4%	56.6%	58.4%	62.0%	66.1%
	Black	62.3%	64.7%	57.9%	57.3%	63.5%	64.8%
	Mixed	75.4%	75.7%	74.9%	77.9%	80.7%	82.5%
	White	76.9%	76.2%	76.4%	79.1%	80.9%	82.6%
	Other	58.3%	60.0%	53.3%	53.9%	54.8%	64.0%

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 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 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.