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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	11,840	10,745	13,450	12,710	12,190	10,910
Placed June deadline applicants	1,725	1,815	1,920	2,050	2,180	1,805
All placed applicants	1,825	1,920	2,080	2,365	2,690	2,225
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	155.6	142.7	175.6	169.6	164.5	151.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	22.7	24.1	25.0	27.3	29.4	25.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	24.0	25.5	27.2	31.6	36.3	30.8

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	12,100	11,050	13,820	12,995	12,475	11,195
Offers	10,050	9,545	11,730	11,615	11,485	10,090
Offer rate	83.0%	86.4%	84.9%	89.4%	92.1%	90.1%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	5,320	4,640	5,710	5,470	5,420	4,990
	Women	6,520	6,105	7,740	7,240	6,770	5,920
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	745	765	785	845	975	810
	Women	975	1,045	1,135	1,205	1,205	995
All placed applicants	Men	790	810	845	980	1,235	995
	Women	1,035	1,110	1,235	1,385	1,455	1,230
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	136.3	119.9	145.5	142.4	142.8	134.7
	Women	175.9	166.8	207.1	198.2	187.4	168.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	19.1	19.8	20.0	22.0	25.6	21.8
	Women	26.4	28.6	30.3	32.9	33.4	28.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	20.2	20.9	21.6	25.5	32.5	26.8
	Women	28.0	30.3	33.1	37.9	40.4	35.0

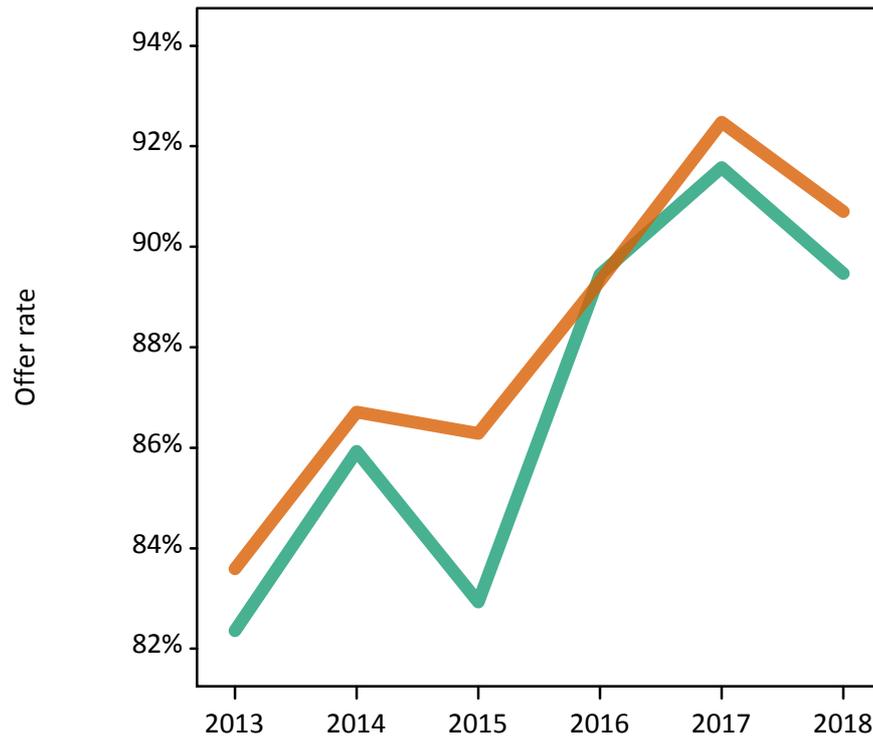
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	5,445	4,775	5,870	5,580	5,555	5,120
	Women	6,655	6,275	7,955	7,415	6,915	6,075
Offers	Men	4,485	4,105	4,865	4,990	5,090	4,580
	Women	5,565	5,440	6,860	6,620	6,395	5,510
Offer rate	Men	82.4%	85.9%	82.9%	89.4%	91.6%	89.5%
	Women	83.6%	86.7%	86.3%	89.3%	92.5%	90.7%
Average offer rate	Men	82.7%	85.9%	82.8%	89.3%	91.6%	90.2%
	Women	83.3%	86.7%	86.3%	89.5%	92.5%	90.1%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.4	-0.0	0.1	0.2	-0.0	-0.7
	Women	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.6
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.590	0.583	0.570	0.576	0.587	0.594
	Women	0.664	0.682	0.682	0.681	0.668	0.658

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.

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 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	810	800	1,070	910	925	805
	Quintile 2	1,480	1,330	1,690	1,560	1,495	1,385
	Quintile 3	2,220	1,980	2,515	2,295	2,240	1,975
	Quintile 4	2,925	2,595	3,310	3,115	2,955	2,690
	Quintile 5	4,390	4,020	4,840	4,805	4,540	4,025
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	115	125	150	125	130	115
	Quintile 2	210	225	215	245	250	220
	Quintile 3	290	340	370	370	415	315
	Quintile 4	435	445	475	520	515	475
	Quintile 5	675	675	705	785	865	675
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	120	130	165	145	155	140
	Quintile 2	215	230	235	275	300	270
	Quintile 3	315	355	395	420	505	370
	Quintile 4	465	470	510	600	630	565
	Quintile 5	705	730	770	930	1,100	880
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	57.4	57.0	75.6	66.9	69.3	62.1
	Quintile 2	101.9	92.6	115.6	110.0	107.1	102.4
	Quintile 3	149.3	135.3	167.8	156.4	154.5	140.1
	Quintile 4	189.8	170.1	213.8	204.4	195.5	182.2
	Quintile 5	254.8	236.2	278.5	278.6	264.9	239.1
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	8.2	8.8	10.7	9.1	9.6	8.8
	Quintile 2	14.3	15.7	14.7	17.2	18.1	16.2
	Quintile 3	19.6	23.4	24.5	25.2	28.6	22.2
	Quintile 4	28.2	29.1	30.6	34.2	34.0	32.3
	Quintile 5	39.1	39.6	40.6	45.6	50.5	40.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	8.7	9.2	11.5	10.5	11.7	10.6
	Quintile 2	14.9	16.1	16.0	19.2	21.5	19.8
	Quintile 3	21.1	24.1	26.5	28.5	34.7	26.3
	Quintile 4	30.2	30.8	33.1	39.3	41.7	38.4
	Quintile 5	41.0	42.8	44.4	53.8	64.0	52.1

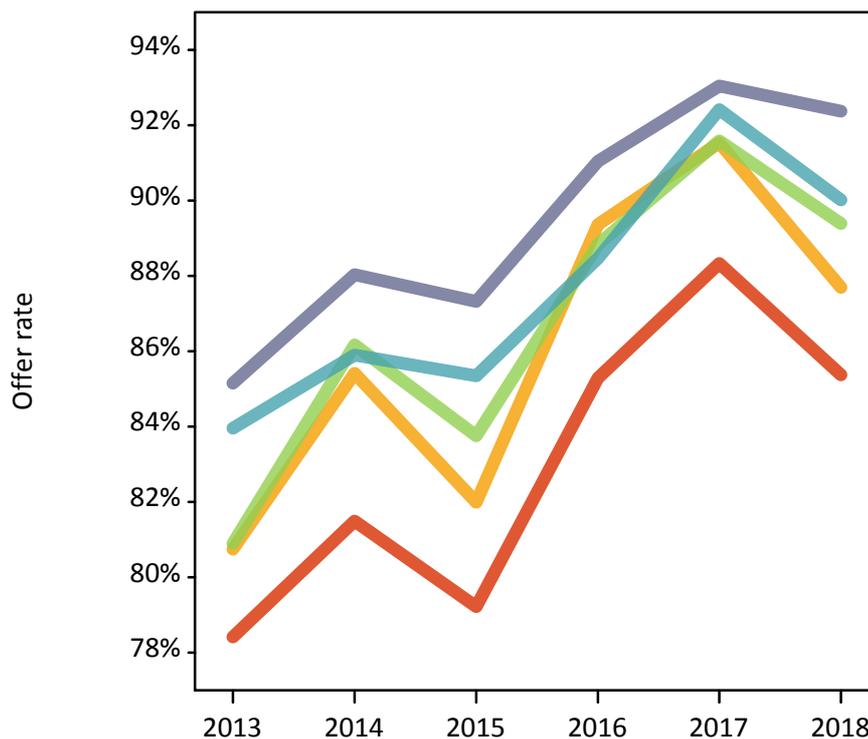
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	820	815	1,100	930	950	835
	Quintile 2	1,525	1,370	1,735	1,605	1,535	1,420
	Quintile 3	2,265	2,040	2,585	2,355	2,280	2,015
	Quintile 4	2,990	2,675	3,415	3,165	3,015	2,765
	Quintile 5	4,480	4,130	4,960	4,910	4,655	4,125
Offers	Quintile 1	645	665	875	795	840	710
	Quintile 2	1,235	1,170	1,420	1,435	1,405	1,245
	Quintile 3	1,835	1,755	2,165	2,090	2,090	1,800
	Quintile 4	2,510	2,295	2,915	2,800	2,790	2,490
	Quintile 5	3,815	3,635	4,335	4,470	4,335	3,810
Offer rate	Quintile 1	78.4%	81.5%	79.2%	85.3%	88.3%	85.4%
	Quintile 2	80.7%	85.4%	82.0%	89.4%	91.5%	87.7%
	Quintile 3	80.9%	86.2%	83.8%	88.8%	91.6%	89.4%
	Quintile 4	84.0%	85.9%	85.4%	88.5%	92.4%	90.0%
	Quintile 5	85.1%	88.0%	87.3%	91.0%	93.0%	92.4%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	79.3%	82.9%	79.6%	86.9%	89.7%	88.0%
	Quintile 2	81.4%	85.0%	83.1%	88.6%	91.2%	89.0%
	Quintile 3	81.4%	85.9%	83.9%	88.9%	92.0%	89.7%
	Quintile 4	83.9%	86.3%	85.3%	88.9%	92.3%	89.6%
	Quintile 5	84.5%	87.8%	86.8%	90.7%	92.7%	91.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-0.9	-1.4	-0.4	-1.6	-1.3	-2.6
	Quintile 2	-0.6	0.5	-1.1	0.8	0.3	-1.3
	Quintile 3	-0.5	0.3	-0.2	-0.1	-0.4	-0.4
	Quintile 4	0.1	-0.4	0.1	-0.4	0.1	0.4
	Quintile 5	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.9
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.140	0.155	0.162	0.139	0.159	0.139
	Quintile 2	0.199	0.203	0.187	0.186	0.198	0.182
	Quintile 3	0.255	0.251	0.242	0.239	0.242	0.230
	Quintile 4	0.305	0.303	0.303	0.294	0.298	0.297
	Quintile 5	0.428	0.433	0.410	0.430	0.431	0.423

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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.

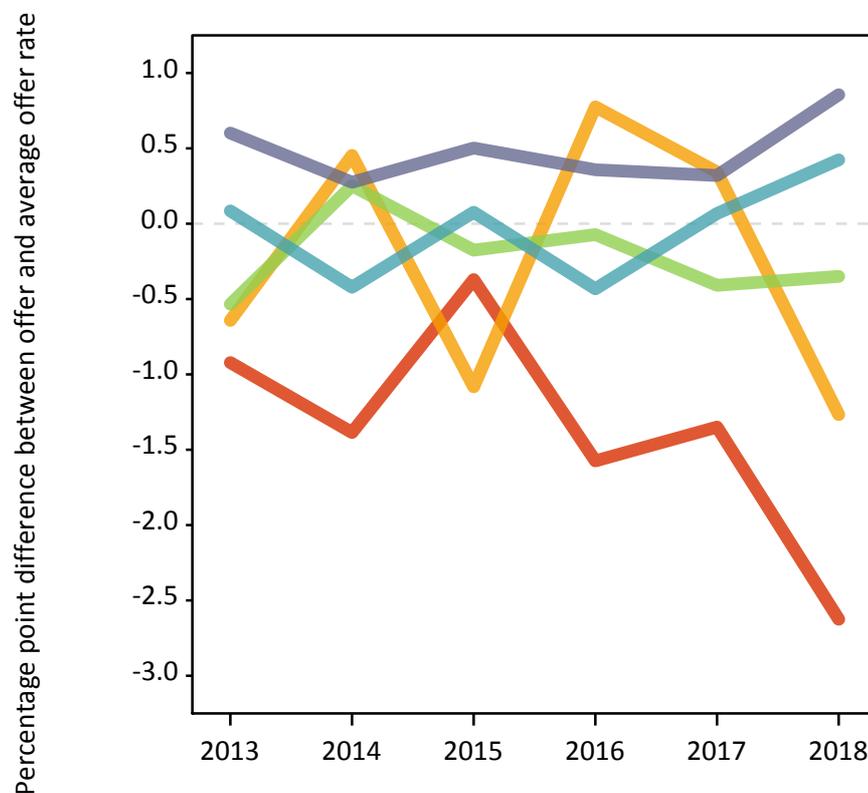
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- Quintile 5



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.

- 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	1,175	1,005	1,275	1,305	1,290	1,400
	Black	505	440	590	605	535	585
	Mixed	430	425	605	610	565	505
	White	9,510	8,695	10,785	9,920	9,550	8,125
	Other	165	130	145	185	180	220
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	150	135	125	170	185	225
	Black	45	40	40	55	80	105
	Mixed	60	70	80	85	90	80
	White	1,435	1,540	1,655	1,700	1,780	1,345
	Other	25	15	15	25	25	30
All placed applicants	Asian	165	150	160	220	295	310
	Black	45	50	45	75	130	140
	Mixed	60	75	85	100	120	110
	White	1,515	1,615	1,770	1,925	2,095	1,600
	Other	25	15	15	35	35	50
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	178.2	148.0	179.9	181.6	175.2	189.0
	Black	170.1	145.1	185.7	193.9	169.4	187.9
	Mixed	158.3	148.1	195.9	194.2	176.6	156.7
	White	151.2	141.0	173.1	164.0	160.9	141.5
	Other	179.8	139.7	149.4	184.9	173.8	208.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	22.9	20.1	17.4	23.5	25.4	30.3
	Black	14.5	13.5	12.6	18.2	25.7	33.4
	Mixed	21.8	24.7	25.9	27.3	28.3	25.4
	White	22.8	24.9	26.6	28.1	30.0	23.5
	Other	28.7	16.1	14.5	27.1	22.3	30.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	25.3	22.1	22.6	30.4	39.8	41.8
	Black	15.8	16.8	14.1	23.6	41.9	44.9
	Mixed	22.6	26.8	27.6	31.8	37.4	33.8
	White	24.1	26.2	28.4	31.8	35.3	27.9
	Other	29.8	17.2	16.6	37.2	34.0	45.7

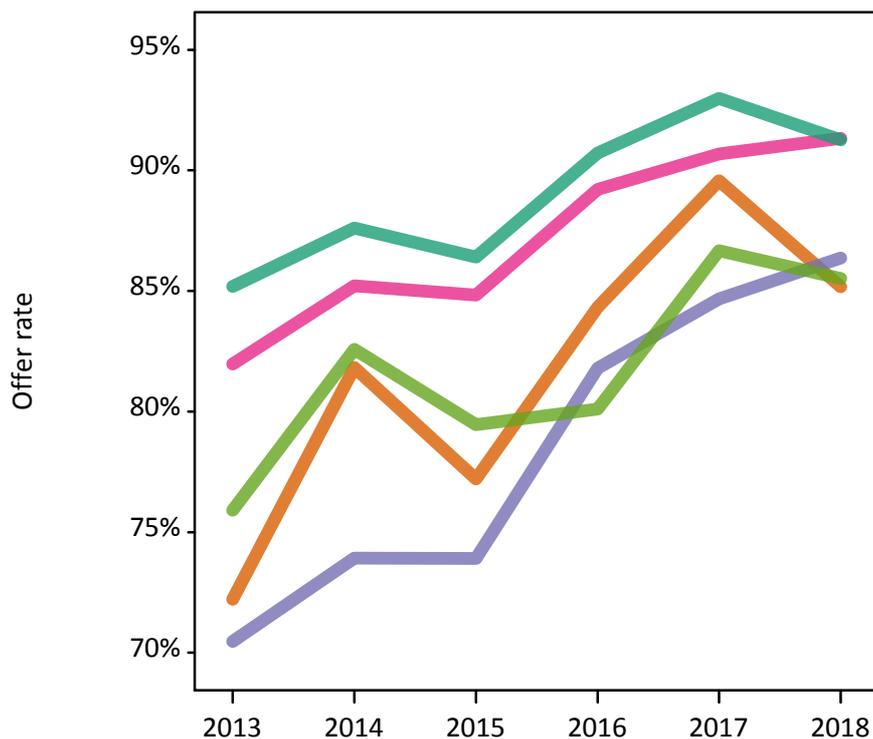
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	1,195	1,030	1,290	1,335	1,315	1,425
	Black	510	440	600	610	535	595
	Mixed	440	435	615	620	580	520
	White	9,735	8,965	11,115	10,160	9,790	8,365
	Other	165	130	145	185	180	220
Offers	Asian	865	840	995	1,125	1,175	1,210
	Black	360	325	440	500	455	515
	Mixed	360	370	520	555	525	475
	White	8,295	7,850	9,605	9,220	9,105	7,635
	Other	125	110	115	150	155	190
Offer rate	Asian	72.2%	81.8%	77.2%	84.3%	89.6%	85.2%
	Black	70.5%	73.9%	73.9%	81.8%	84.7%	86.4%
	Mixed	82.0%	85.2%	84.8%	89.2%	90.7%	91.3%
	White	85.2%	87.6%	86.4%	90.7%	93.0%	91.3%
	Other	75.9%	82.6%	79.5%	80.1%	86.7%	85.5%
Average offer rate	Asian	75.3%	81.8%	79.3%	85.4%	90.1%	86.9%
	Black	72.6%	78.8%	77.5%	83.5%	86.8%	86.9%
	Mixed	81.5%	85.6%	84.7%	89.7%	90.7%	90.0%
	White	84.7%	87.4%	86.0%	90.5%	92.8%	91.0%
	Other	78.3%	78.7%	79.3%	79.5%	86.7%	85.2%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-3.1	-0.0	-2.1	-1.1	-0.5	-1.7
	Black	-2.1	-4.9	-3.5	-1.7	-2.2	-0.5
	Mixed	0.5	-0.4	0.1	-0.5	-0.1	1.3
	White	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2
	Other	-2.4	3.9	0.2	0.6	-0.0	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.250	0.237	0.234	0.224	0.236	0.265
	Black	0.159	0.162	0.149	0.152	0.137	0.148
	Mixed	0.113	0.132	0.117	0.111	0.119	0.110
	White	0.844	0.848	0.840	0.820	0.824	0.799
	Other	0.088	0.108	0.083	0.106	0.093	0.086

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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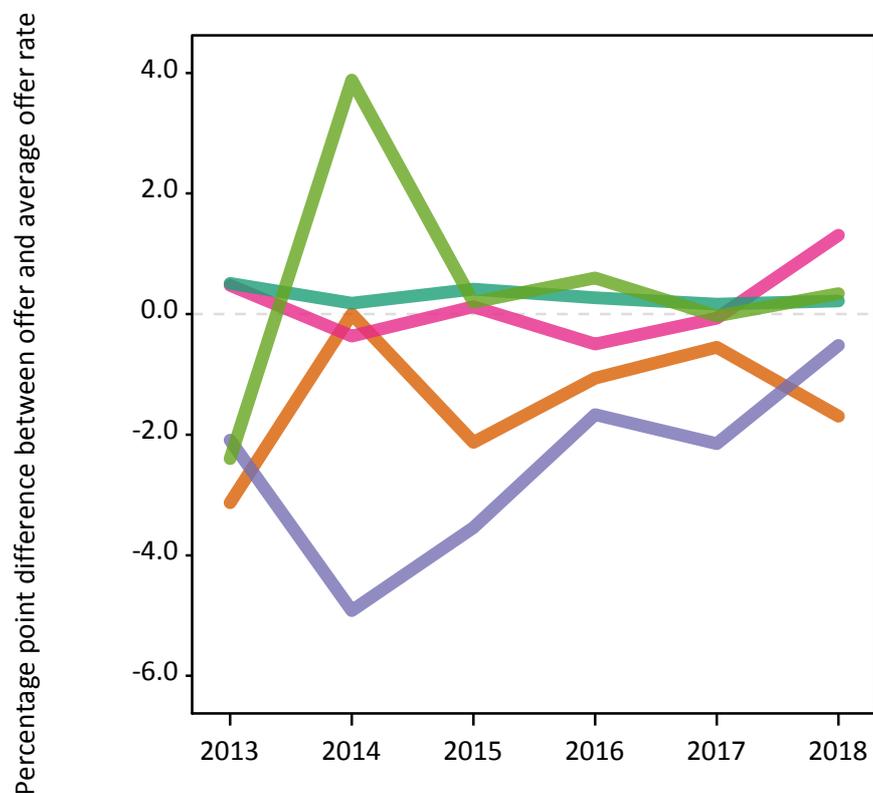
- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



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	16,975	15,740	19,010	17,895	17,005	15,470
Placed June deadline applicants	2,405	2,620	2,685	2,865	3,105	2,615
All placed applicants	2,615	2,850	2,975	3,360	3,825	3,235

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	17,455	16,265	19,625	18,410	17,520	15,990
Offers	13,260	12,995	15,445	15,480	15,195	13,530
Offer rate	76.0%	79.9%	78.7%	84.1%	86.7%	84.6%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	7,900	7,105	8,465	8,080	7,835	7,150
	Women	9,075	8,635	10,545	9,815	9,170	8,315
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,060	1,150	1,120	1,230	1,385	1,160
	Women	1,345	1,470	1,560	1,635	1,720	1,455
All placed applicants	Men	1,140	1,235	1,225	1,430	1,750	1,445
	Women	1,475	1,615	1,750	1,930	2,075	1,785

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	8,160	7,355	8,730	8,305	8,085	7,390
	Women	9,295	8,910	10,895	10,105	9,435	8,600
Offers	Men	6,150	5,790	6,650	6,950	6,920	6,200
	Women	7,110	7,205	8,795	8,530	8,275	7,330
Offer rate	Men	75.4%	78.8%	76.2%	83.7%	85.6%	83.9%
	Women	76.5%	80.9%	80.7%	84.4%	87.7%	85.2%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,240	1,270	1,585	1,385	1,370	1,220
	Quintile 2	2,175	2,005	2,430	2,250	2,145	2,025
	Quintile 3	3,100	2,855	3,550	3,245	3,090	2,795
	Quintile 4	4,155	3,750	4,620	4,360	4,145	3,775
	Quintile 5	6,280	5,830	6,780	6,615	6,205	5,605
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	160	185	215	190	215	185
	Quintile 2	310	340	305	360	375	330
	Quintile 3	400	475	530	515	580	465
	Quintile 4	610	635	635	700	745	655
	Quintile 5	925	980	995	1,095	1,180	975
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	175	205	235	220	255	225
	Quintile 2	330	365	345	425	445	405
	Quintile 3	440	510	585	590	705	550
	Quintile 4	665	680	695	825	910	795
	Quintile 5	1,000	1,085	1,110	1,305	1,500	1,250

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,265	1,315	1,650	1,420	1,415	1,265
	Quintile 2	2,270	2,100	2,510	2,345	2,235	2,105
	Quintile 3	3,180	2,950	3,660	3,350	3,170	2,870
	Quintile 4	4,260	3,860	4,775	4,455	4,250	3,900
	Quintile 5	6,450	6,005	6,980	6,795	6,395	5,800
Offers	Quintile 1	860	950	1,170	1,125	1,170	1,015
	Quintile 2	1,640	1,640	1,915	1,930	1,885	1,725
	Quintile 3	2,355	2,350	2,850	2,780	2,755	2,400
	Quintile 4	3,290	3,065	3,790	3,720	3,710	3,290
	Quintile 5	5,095	4,960	5,680	5,900	5,635	5,060
Offer rate	Quintile 1	68.0%	72.3%	70.9%	79.2%	82.6%	80.2%
	Quintile 2	72.2%	78.1%	76.3%	82.2%	84.3%	82.1%
	Quintile 3	74.0%	79.8%	77.9%	83.0%	86.9%	83.8%
	Quintile 4	77.3%	79.3%	79.4%	83.4%	87.3%	84.4%
	Quintile 5	79.0%	82.6%	81.4%	86.8%	88.1%	87.3%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	2,055	1,845	2,140	2,145	2,075	2,180
	Black	950	875	1,090	1,055	910	990
	Mixed	655	665	890	885	810	745
	White	12,890	11,970	14,455	13,325	12,720	11,055
	Other	315	285	315	335	350	370
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	245	260	210	260	320	370
	Black	75	75	75	95	135	155
	Mixed	80	105	110	130	120	115
	White	1,950	2,135	2,245	2,320	2,450	1,885
	Other	40	35	30	45	50	60
All placed applicants	Asian	275	290	260	340	480	515
	Black	85	90	90	130	205	210
	Mixed	90	115	125	150	165	150
	White	2,105	2,295	2,445	2,655	2,875	2,245
	Other	50	40	40	60	70	80

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	2,105	1,910	2,185	2,185	2,120	2,245
	Black	960	890	1,110	1,070	920	1,005
	Mixed	675	675	915	900	830	765
	White	13,275	12,395	14,970	13,755	13,155	11,465
	Other	325	290	320	340	360	375
Offers	Asian	1,365	1,400	1,525	1,695	1,750	1,790
	Black	540	540	670	775	710	770
	Mixed	505	525	695	755	710	655
	White	10,560	10,255	12,265	11,885	11,625	9,905
	Other	210	200	200	245	290	310
Offer rate	Asian	64.8%	73.4%	69.9%	77.6%	82.5%	79.7%
	Black	56.1%	60.7%	60.6%	72.3%	77.1%	76.6%
	Mixed	75.0%	77.5%	76.2%	83.8%	85.4%	85.2%
	White	79.6%	82.7%	81.9%	86.4%	88.4%	86.4%
	Other	64.6%	68.5%	61.9%	72.9%	80.4%	82.4%

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.