Sex, area background and ethnic group



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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

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	985	1,195	1,175	1,000	1,250	1,510
Placed June deadline applicants	235	215	285	275	265	360
All placed applicants	305	285	365	330	355	445
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	13.0	15.9	15.3	13.3	16.9	20.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	3.1	2.8	3.7	3.7	3.6	5.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	4.0	3.8	4.8	4.4	4.8	6.2

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	1,075	1,290	1,305	1,095	1,350	1,660
Offers	790	900	925	795	990	1,325
Offer rate	73.3%	69.7%	70.9%	72.4%	73.5%	79.8%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	245	325	325	300	405	515
	Women	740	870	850	700	845	990
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	55	70	90	100	85	110
	Women	180	140	195	175	180	250
All placed applicants	Men	85	90	105	115	115	135
	Women	220	195	260	215	240	310
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	6.3	8.4	8.3	7.8	10.6	13.9
population	Women	20.0	23.8	22.7	19.1	23.5	28.2
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	1.4	1.9	2.2	2.6	2.2	2.9
10,000 population	Women	4.9	3.9	5.2	4.8	5.0	7.2
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	2.2	2.3	2.7	3.0	3.0	3.7
population	Women	5.9	5.3	7.0	5.9	6.6	8.8

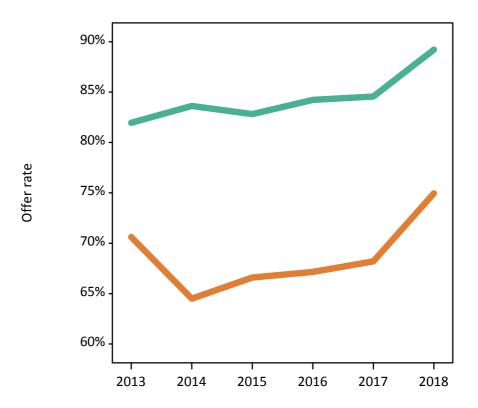
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	255	350	350	335	435	565
	Women	820	940	955	760	915	1,095
Offers	Men	210	290	290	285	365	505
	Women	580	605	635	510	625	820
Offer rate	Men	82.0%	83.6%	82.8%	84.2%	84.6%	89.2%
	Women	70.6%	64.5%	66.6%	67.1%	68.2%	75.0%
Average offer rate	Men	80.4%	82.7%	82.4%	83.9%	84.0%	90.2%
	Women	71.1%	64.9%	66.7%	67.3%	68.5%	74.5%
Percentage point difference between	Men	1.5	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.6	-1.0
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	-0.5	-0.3	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3	0.5
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.626	0.640	0.597	0.743	0.748	0.697
offer rate	Women	0.884	0.867	0.853	0.887	0.881	0.843

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.

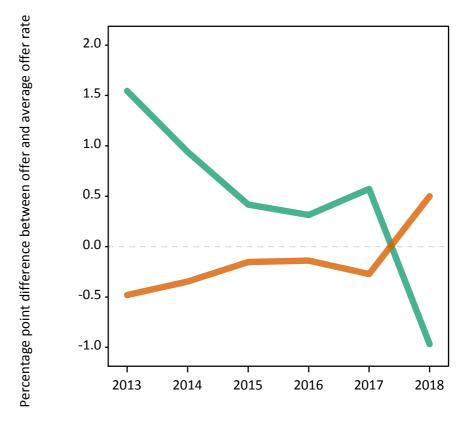




P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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	210	250	250	215	265	305
	Quintile 2	215	235	250	220	275	320
	Quintile 3	195	240	235	195	265	305
	Quintile 4	215	270	260	230	250	325
	Quintile 5	150	200	170	135	190	245
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	55	50	65	70	55	90
	Quintile 2	45	50	65	65	60	80
	Quintile 3	40	40	55	55	50	80
	Quintile 4	65	45	60	55	60	60
	Quintile 5	30	25	30	30	40	50
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	75	70	85	80	75	110
	Quintile 2	55	70	75	75	80	95
	Quintile 3	50	50	80	65	60	100
	Quintile 4	85	60	80	75	85	85
	Quintile 5	40	35	40	35	50	60
June deadline applicants per 10,00	0 Quintile 1	14.8	17.8	17.8	15.9	19.8	23.5
population	Quintile 2	14.7	16.3	17.2	15.6	19.7	23.5
	Quintile 3	13.3	16.5	15.6	13.2	18.4	21.8
	Quintile 4	13.9	17.7	16.8	15.1	16.5	22.1
	Quintile 5	8.8	11.6	9.9	7.9	11.0	14.7
Placed June deadline applicants pe	r Quintile 1	4.0	3.6	4.7	5.1	4.2	6.8
10,000 population	Quintile 2	3.2	3.6	4.4	4.4	4.4	5.8
	Quintile 3	2.6	2.7	3.8	3.8	3.3	5.7
	Quintile 4	4.1	3.1	4.0	3.7	3.9	4.2
	Quintile 5	1.6	1.5	1.8	1.6	2.2	3.0
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	5.5	4.8	6.1	5.9	5.7	8.4
population	Quintile 2	3.7	4.8	5.3	5.1	5.9	6.9
	Quintile 3	3.5	3.6	5.2	4.5	4.1	7.0
	Quintile 4	5.5	3.9	5.3	4.9	5.7	5.6
	Quintile 5	2.2	2.1	2.4	1.9	2.8	3.6

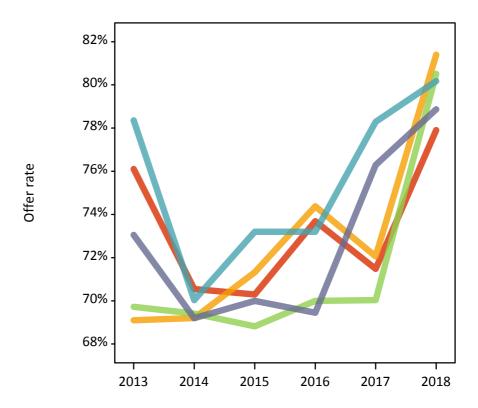
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic PO	LAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	225	275	275	245	285	345
	Quintile 2	235	250	280	240	295	345
	Quintile 3	220	255	265	210	285	350
	Quintile 4	230	295	290	250	280	355
	Quintile 5	165	210	190	145	195	265
Offers	Quintile 1	170	195	195	180	205	270
	Quintile 2	160	175	200	180	215	280
	Quintile 3	150	175	180	145	200	280
	Quintile 4	180	210	215	185	220	285
	Quintile 5	120	145	135	100	150	210
Offer rate	Quintile 1	76.1%	70.5%	70.3%	73.7%	71.5%	77.9%
	Quintile 2	69.1%	69.2%	71.3%	74.4%	72.1%	81.4%
	Quintile 3	69.7%	69.4%	68.8%	70.0%	70.0%	80.5%
	Quintile 4	78.4%	70.0%	73.2%	73.2%	78.3%	80.2%
	Quintile 5	73.1%	69.2%	70.0%	69.4%	76.3%	78.9%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	73.3%	70.8%	70.4%	72.0%	72.8%	77.9%
	Quintile 2	72.1%	69.5%	71.6%	72.3%	71.6%	82.5%
	Quintile 3	72.2%	68.3%	70.0%	72.6%	72.5%	79.6%
	Quintile 4	74.9%	68.2%	72.6%	72.9%	76.0%	79.3%
	Quintile 5	74.2%	72.4%	68.7%	72.7%	74.9%	79.7%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	2.8	-0.3	-0.1	1.7	-1.3	-0.0
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-3.0	-0.3	-0.3	2.1	0.5	-1.1
	Quintile 3	-2.4	1.1	-1.2	-2.6	-2.5	0.9
	Quintile 4	3.4	1.9	0.6	0.3	2.3	0.8
	Quintile 5	-1.2	-3.2	1.3	-3.3	1.4	-0.8
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.451	0.429	0.411	0.450	0.385	0.353
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.423	0.401	0.435	0.398	0.393	0.360
	Quintile 3	0.425	0.395	0.411	0.408	0.424	0.346
	Quintile 4	0.400	0.425	0.437	0.440	0.402	0.364
	Quintile 5	0.409	0.402	0.402	0.469	0.398	0.320

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

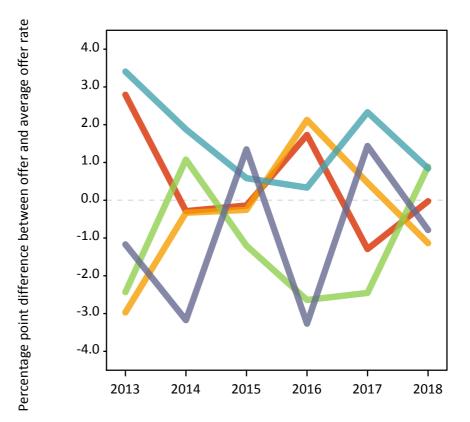
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.





P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	35	55	55	40	65	85
	Black	35	60	60	35	50	85
	Mixed	25	40	40	25	30	60
	White	885	1,030	1,010	890	1,095	1,260
	Other	5	10	10	10	5	15
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	0	5	5	5	10	15
	Black	0	5	5	5	5	10
	Mixed	15	5	10	5	5	10
	White	215	200	265	260	245	320
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
All placed applicants	Asian	0	5	10	5	15	20
	Black	10	5	5	5	10	15
	Mixed	15	10	15	5	5	15
	White	280	260	330	305	320	375
	Other	0	0	5	0	0	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	5.3	7.8	7.6	5.6	8.7	11.3
population	Black	11.1	19.8	18.8	11.8	15.9	27.9
	Mixed	9.6	14.3	12.3	7.6	10.0	18.0
	White	14.1	16.7	16.2	14.7	18.5	22.0
	Other	4.4	9.7	8.3	10.0	5.8	12.4
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.8	1.5	1.9
10,000 population	Black	0.0	1.3	1.9	1.3	1.6	3.8
	Mixed	4.8	2.1	3.2	1.3	1.2	3.7
	White	3.4	3.2	4.2	4.3	4.1	5.6
	Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	0.0	0.9	1.6	0.8	2.2	2.4
population	Black	3.0	1.3	2.2	1.3	2.5	4.5
	Mixed	5.5	3.8	4.2	2.2	1.9	4.3
	White	4.4	4.2	5.3	5.1	5.4	6.6
	Other	0.0	0.0	4.1	0.0	0.0	3.8

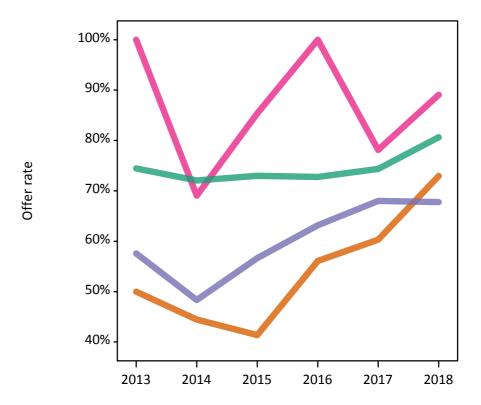
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	35	55	60	40	70	85
	Black	35	60	60	40	50	90
	Mixed	25	40	40	25	30	65
	White	975	1,125	1,135	980	1,190	1,400
	Other	5	10	10	10	5	15
Offers	Asian	20	25	25	25	40	60
	Black	20	30	35	25	35	60
	Mixed	20	30	35	20	25	55
	White	725	810	825	715	885	1,130
	Other	5	5	5	10	5	10
Offer rate	Asian	50.0%	44.4%	41.4%	56.1%	60.3%	72.9%
	Black	57.6%	48.3%	56.7%	63.2%	68.0%	67.8%
	Mixed	100.0%	69.0%	85.4%	100.0%	78.1%	89.1%
	White	74.4%	72.1%	73.0%	72.8%	74.3%	80.6%
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A	100.0%
Average offer rate	Asian	56.4%	53.8%	50.7%	57.0%	66.7%	74.2%
	Black	68.1%	51.9%	60.4%	68.6%	68.9%	71.0%
	Mixed	75.8%	67.0%	85.0%	83.3%	80.5%	82.3%
	White	74.2%	71.6%	72.2%	72.6%	73.8%	80.7%
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	94.6%	N/A	73.9%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	N/A	-9.4	-9.3	N/A	-6.4	-1.3
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	N/A	-3.6	-3.7	N/A	-0.9	-3.3
	Mixed	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	6.8
	White	0.2	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.5	-0.0
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.303	0.236	0.333	0.300	0.316	0.293
offer rate	Black	0.234	0.288	0.317	0.338	0.335	0.249
	Mixed	0.257	0.327	0.351	0.458	0.342	0.264
	White	0.930	0.908	0.912	0.931	0.922	0.884
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.475	N/A	0.221

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

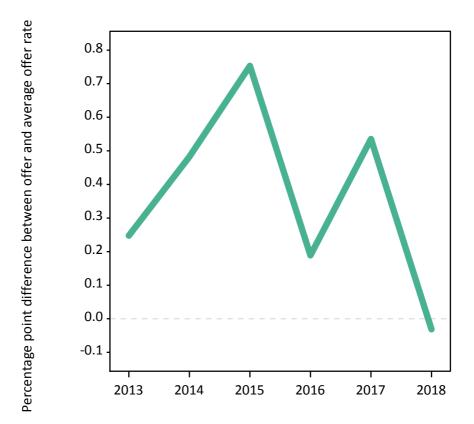
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P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.





P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	3,125	3,510	3,415	3,260	3,270	3,545
Placed June deadline applicants	990	935	1,045	1,100	1,025	1,120
All placed applicants	1,490	1,425	1,560	1,475	1,520	2,465

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	3,580	4,005	3,875	3,750	3,660	4,005
Offers	2,090	2,225	2,190	2,250	2,325	2,865
Offer rate	58.4%	55.6%	56.6%	60.0%	63.6%	71.6%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	880	975	965	925	995	1,085
	Women	2,245	2,535	2,450	2,330	2,280	2,460
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	305	280	315	310	295	285
	Women	685	655	730	785	730	835
All placed applicants	Men	500	465	485	430	445	920
	Women	990	960	1,075	1,045	1,070	1,545

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	950	1,070	1,070	1,050	1,095	1,215
	Women	2,630	2,935	2,805	2,705	2,565	2,785
Offers	Men	645	750	695	705	800	960
	Women	1,450	1,475	1,495	1,545	1,525	1,905
Offer rate	Men	67.7%	70.3%	65.0%	67.1%	73.2%	78.9%
	Women	55.1%	50.3%	53.4%	57.2%	59.5%	68.4%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	810	855	870	845	880	870
	Quintile 2	645	690	725	670	680	700
	Quintile 3	605	725	645	665	655	710
	Quintile 4	625	725	710	670	620	755
	Quintile 5	440	515	450	395	420	495
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	280	270	300	325	310	335
	Quintile 2	210	180	225	240	220	225
	Quintile 3	180	190	215	215	190	225
	Quintile 4	200	180	195	205	190	190
	Quintile 5	115	110	105	110	110	140
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	420	450	445	460	470	510
	Quintile 2	305	270	310	300	315	355
	Quintile 3	280	270	325	275	280	480
	Quintile 4	300	265	300	275	275	710
	Quintile 5	180	165	165	155	170	375

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	920	980	1,000	985	995	1,025
	Quintile 2	740	780	825	770	765	785
	Quintile 3	700	845	735	785	735	805
	Quintile 4	715	840	800	745	700	825
	Quintile 5	505	555	500	445	450	545
Offers	Quintile 1	540	545	575	600	630	735
	Quintile 2	445	415	465	470	480	580
	Quintile 3	400	465	415	470	465	570
	Quintile 4	430	470	450	445	460	580
	Quintile 5	270	330	280	255	280	390
Offer rate	Quintile 1	58.7%	55.4%	57.4%	60.9%	63.3%	71.7%
	Quintile 2	59.9%	53.3%	56.5%	61.4%	62.8%	73.5%
	Quintile 3	57.4%	55.3%	56.5%	59.5%	62.9%	71.2%
	Quintile 4	60.6%	56.0%	56.0%	59.6%	65.9%	70.1%
	Quintile 5	53.9%	59.5%	55.9%	57.5%	62.9%	71.5%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	125	160	160	150	160	195
	Black	235	290	320	330	290	310
	Mixed	100	105	100	105	95	140
	White	2,635	2,920	2,790	2,625	2,680	2,850
	Other	20	25	25	35	25	30
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	20	20	20	25	30	40
	Black	35	50	45	60	65	55
	Mixed	30	25	30	30	20	45
	White	895	830	945	970	900	975
	Other	5	5	5	10	5	5
All placed applicants	Asian	30	40	40	30	50	55
	Black	85	95	90	90	105	100
	Mixed	50	45	50	50	35	65
	White	1,290	1,225	1,350	1,260	1,295	1,330
	Other	15	15	15	15	10	10

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	135	180	170	160	170	210
	Black	270	315	340	360	325	335
	Mixed	110	125	110	115	100	160
	White	3,025	3,350	3,200	3,060	3,010	3,235
	Other	20	25	25	40	30	35
Offers	Asian	60	70	50	65	85	135
	Black	85	120	105	125	130	160
	Mixed	70	70	65	70	55	120
	White	1,860	1,950	1,945	1,955	2,030	2,415
	Other	10	15	10	20	15	25
Offer rate	Asian	43.8%	40.4%	29.2%	42.1%	50.9%	64.1%
	Black	31.6%	37.2%	31.2%	34.4%	39.8%	47.7%
	Mixed	61.3%	54.8%	60.9%	59.8%	57.6%	73.8%
	White	61.5%	58.2%	60.8%	64.0%	67.5%	74.6%
	Other	45.0%	56.0%	44.4%	55.3%	55.2%	65.7%

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.