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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	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	4,260	4,100	4,040	3,950	3,825	3,655
Placed June deadline applicants	1,100	985	1,035	1,030	865	780
All placed applicants	1,300	1,140	1,175	1,155	995	920
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	56.6	53.5	53.9	53.3	53.0	51.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	14.6	12.9	13.8	13.9	12.0	11.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	17.3	14.9	15.7	15.6	13.8	13.0

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	4,690	4,475	4,365	4,275	4,170	3,980
Offers	4,580	4,390	4,290	4,210	4,055	3,885
Offer rate	97.7%	98.1%	98.3%	98.5%	97.3%	97.7%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	2,055	1,895	1,755	1,695	1,705	1,560
	Women	2,205	2,205	2,280	2,250	2,120	2,095
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	585	490	450	480	405	390
	Women	515	495	585	550	465	390
All placed applicants	Men	690	570	525	550	460	465
	Women	610	575	650	605	535	455
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	53.1	48.3	45.7	44.7	46.0	43.1
	Women	60.2	59.1	62.4	62.4	60.2	60.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	15.1	12.5	11.7	12.6	10.9	10.7
	Women	14.0	13.2	16.0	15.3	13.2	11.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	17.9	14.5	13.7	14.5	12.4	12.8
	Women	16.7	15.3	17.8	16.8	15.2	13.1

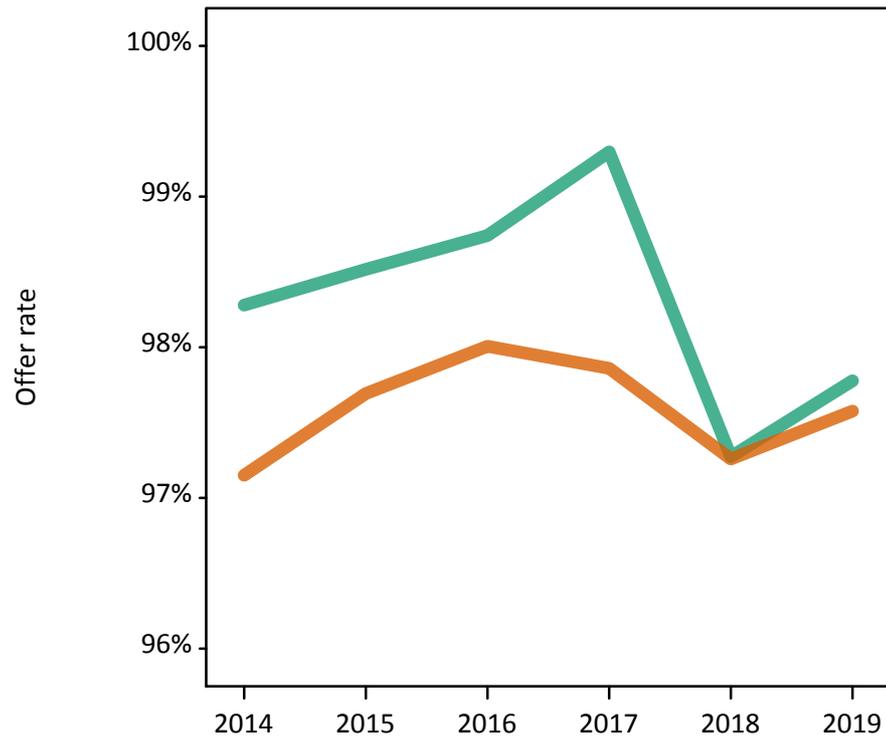
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	2,270	2,090	1,905	1,845	1,870	1,710
	Women	2,420	2,385	2,460	2,430	2,300	2,270
Offers	Men	2,230	2,060	1,880	1,830	1,820	1,670
	Women	2,350	2,330	2,410	2,380	2,235	2,215
Offer rate	Men	98.3%	98.5%	98.7%	99.3%	97.3%	97.8%
	Women	97.1%	97.7%	98.0%	97.9%	97.3%	97.6%
Average offer rate	Men	97.9%	98.5%	98.6%	99.1%	97.5%	98.1%
	Women	97.5%	97.7%	98.2%	98.0%	97.1%	97.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.3
	Women	-0.3	-0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.2
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.649	0.654	0.625	0.634	0.641	0.635
	Women	0.672	0.696	0.709	0.722	0.708	0.725

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 2014-2019.

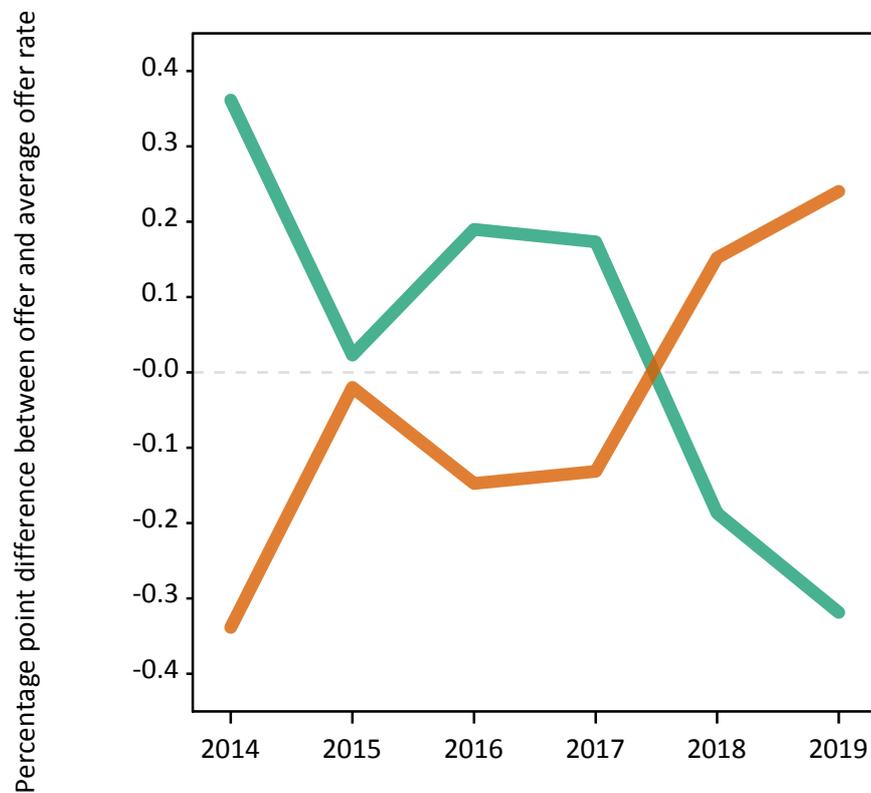
Men
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	555	575	580	530	550	520
	Quintile 2	830	790	800	735	685	720
	Quintile 3	1,045	950	970	925	900	820
	Quintile 4	895	890	850	875	840	780
	Quintile 5	930	890	830	870	835	800
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	145	130	135	120	125	95
	Quintile 2	195	190	205	210	180	175
	Quintile 3	330	245	270	245	210	175
	Quintile 4	220	230	240	235	175	170
	Quintile 5	205	185	185	220	175	160
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	160	150	165	130	140	110
	Quintile 2	230	215	230	235	205	195
	Quintile 3	365	285	295	270	230	210
	Quintile 4	270	255	275	270	215	195
	Quintile 5	270	230	215	255	205	205
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	39.5	40.8	42.7	39.5	42.4	40.9
	Quintile 2	57.9	54.1	56.4	52.8	50.7	54.5
	Quintile 3	71.3	63.5	66.3	63.9	63.7	59.3
	Quintile 4	58.8	57.3	55.8	58.0	57.1	53.7
	Quintile 5	54.5	51.1	48.2	50.8	49.7	48.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	10.4	9.3	9.8	9.1	9.7	7.6
	Quintile 2	13.4	13.1	14.3	15.0	13.4	13.2
	Quintile 3	22.5	16.4	18.6	16.8	14.8	12.8
	Quintile 4	14.5	14.9	15.9	15.6	11.9	11.9
	Quintile 5	12.0	10.7	10.6	12.7	10.4	9.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	11.4	10.7	12.0	9.8	10.8	8.8
	Quintile 2	16.0	14.8	16.2	16.7	15.3	14.7
	Quintile 3	24.9	19.1	20.1	18.6	16.4	15.1
	Quintile 4	17.7	16.6	18.0	17.7	14.4	13.5
	Quintile 5	16.0	13.3	12.3	14.8	12.1	12.5

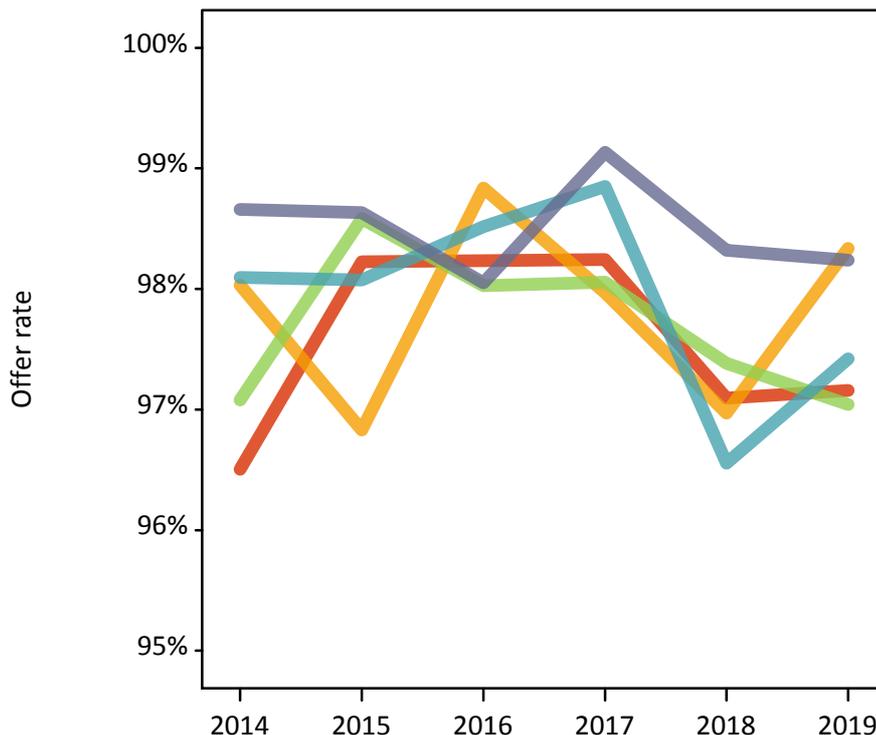
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	600	620	620	570	585	565
	Quintile 2	915	850	860	790	760	780
	Quintile 3	1,200	1,060	1,065	1,030	995	915
	Quintile 4	1,000	985	945	955	930	855
	Quintile 5	970	950	870	920	895	850
Offers	Quintile 1	580	610	610	560	570	545
	Quintile 2	895	825	850	770	735	770
	Quintile 3	1,165	1,045	1,045	1,010	970	885
	Quintile 4	980	970	930	945	895	830
	Quintile 5	955	940	855	915	880	835
Offer rate	Quintile 1	96.5%	98.2%	98.2%	98.2%	97.1%	97.2%
	Quintile 2	98.0%	96.8%	98.8%	98.0%	97.0%	98.3%
	Quintile 3	97.1%	98.6%	98.0%	98.1%	97.4%	97.0%
	Quintile 4	98.1%	98.1%	98.5%	98.9%	96.6%	97.4%
	Quintile 5	98.7%	98.6%	98.1%	99.1%	98.3%	98.2%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	97.2%	97.8%	98.2%	98.1%	97.4%	96.8%
	Quintile 2	97.7%	97.7%	98.3%	98.3%	96.8%	98.0%
	Quintile 3	97.6%	98.1%	98.4%	98.4%	97.4%	97.6%
	Quintile 4	97.8%	98.4%	98.4%	98.7%	97.2%	97.6%
	Quintile 5	98.1%	98.4%	98.2%	98.7%	97.6%	98.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-0.7	0.5	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.4
	Quintile 2	0.3	-0.9	0.5	-0.3	0.2	0.3
	Quintile 3	-0.5	0.5	-0.4	-0.3	0.0	-0.6
	Quintile 4	0.3	-0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.7	-0.2
	Quintile 5	0.5	0.2	-0.2	0.4	0.7	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.285	0.294	0.300	0.293	0.301	0.323
	Quintile 2	0.315	0.332	0.327	0.347	0.325	0.358
	Quintile 3	0.375	0.355	0.388	0.383	0.375	0.384
	Quintile 4	0.344	0.342	0.357	0.366	0.360	0.381
	Quintile 5	0.358	0.363	0.345	0.377	0.366	0.388

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 2014-2019.

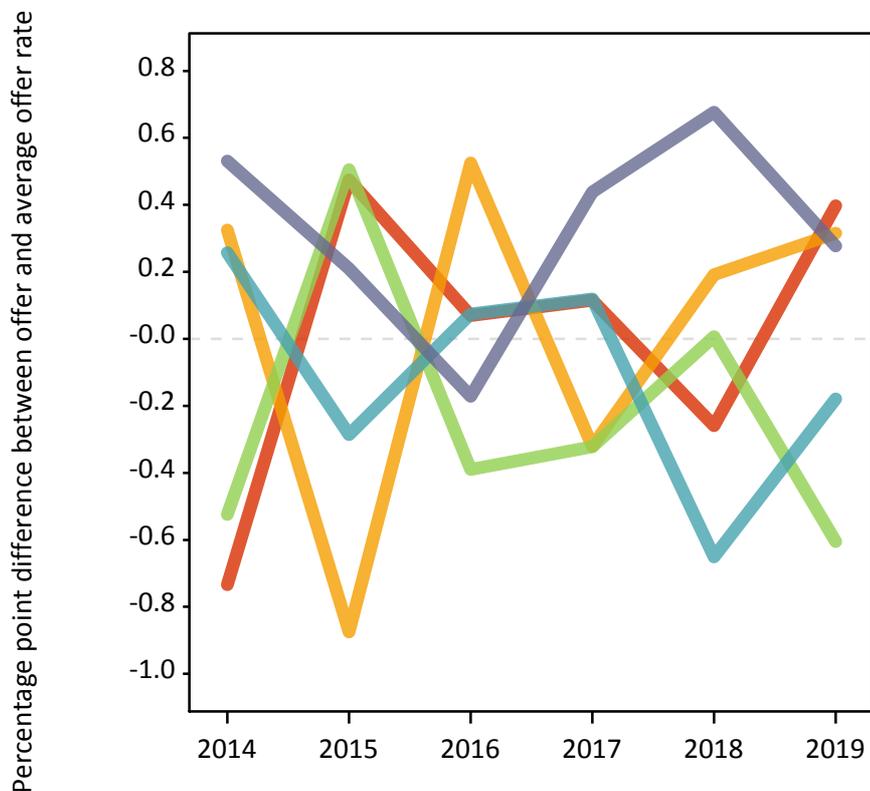
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- Quintile 5



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 2014-2019.

- Quintile 1
- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	4,030	3,875	3,815	3,705	3,545	3,395
	Black	35	35	30	30	40	35
	Asian	75	80	80	70	95	85
	Mixed	95	85	80	95	105	100
	Other	10	10	15	20	15	10
Placed June deadline applicants	White	1,045	940	995	985	825	735
	Black	5	5	5	0	5	5
	Asian	15	10	15	15	10	15
	Mixed	30	20	15	25	20	20
	Other	0	5	5	0	5	0
All placed applicants	White	1,220	1,075	1,120	1,090	930	840
	Black	15	10	10	5	10	5
	Asian	25	20	20	20	15	25
	Mixed	30	25	20	30	30	30
	Other	5	5	5	0	5	0
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	65.3	62.2	63.1	62.5	62.0	61.5
	Black	11.2	11.6	9.3	8.9	12.8	10.3
	Asian	11.4	11.2	11.4	9.5	12.4	11.0
	Mixed	33.7	27.2	25.1	29.9	32.7	30.4
	Other	8.6	10.4	16.1	18.4	15.8	8.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	16.9	15.1	16.4	16.6	14.4	13.3
	Black	2.0	1.6	1.6	0.0	1.2	0.9
	Asian	2.2	1.6	2.2	1.9	1.1	1.7
	Mixed	9.7	7.1	4.1	7.5	6.5	5.8
	Other	0.0	4.1	6.0	0.0	2.8	0.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	White	19.8	17.2	18.5	18.4	16.3	15.2
	Black	4.6	3.1	3.2	1.6	2.5	1.8
	Asian	3.8	2.8	2.5	2.6	1.9	3.3
	Mixed	11.1	8.4	5.7	9.3	8.6	8.8
	Other	3.2	4.1	7.0	0.0	3.7	0.0

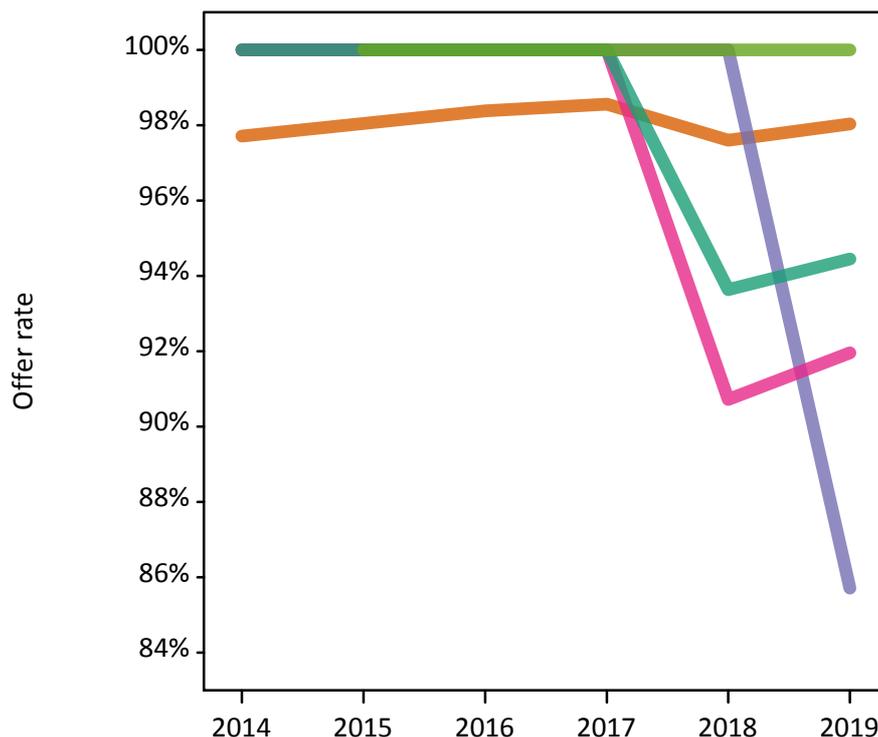
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	4,450	4,240	4,130	4,025	3,880	3,710
	Black	35	35	30	30	40	35
	Asian	80	80	90	70	95	85
	Mixed	100	90	80	100	110	110
	Other	10	10	15	20	15	10
Offers	White	4,350	4,160	4,065	3,970	3,785	3,640
	Black	35	35	25	30	40	30
	Asian	80	80	85	70	90	80
	Mixed	95	90	80	100	105	100
	Other	10	10	15	15	15	10
Offer rate	White	97.7%	98.0%	98.4%	98.6%	97.6%	98.0%
	Black	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	85.7%
	Asian	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	90.7%	92.0%
	Mixed	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	93.6%	94.4%
	Other	N/A	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Average offer rate	White	97.7%	98.1%	98.3%	98.5%	97.4%	97.9%
	Black	98.2%	97.6%	93.8%	98.7%	96.0%	93.6%
	Asian	95.2%	97.9%	99.2%	98.6%	97.0%	95.2%
	Mixed	97.1%	98.7%	98.2%	98.2%	95.2%	93.3%
	Other	N/A	99.8%	95.6%	96.0%	92.2%	100.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	White	-0.0	-0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1
	Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Asian	4.8	2.1	0.8	1.4	-6.3	-3.2
	Mixed	2.9	1.3	1.8	1.8	-1.6	1.1
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	White	0.960	0.958	0.958	0.954	0.945	0.948
	Black	0.186	0.184	0.246	0.204	0.227	0.242
	Asian	0.239	0.222	0.217	0.205	0.206	0.222
	Mixed	0.169	0.185	0.212	0.217	0.250	0.226
	Other	N/A	0.262	0.180	0.195	0.152	0.209

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

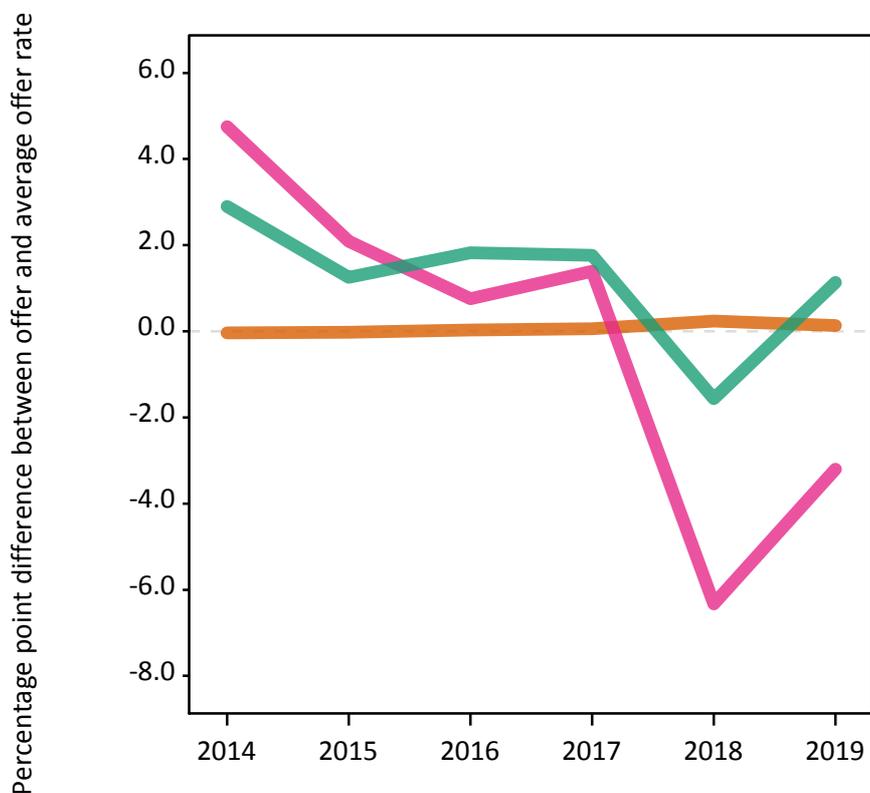
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- Mixed
- Other



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 2014-2019.

- White
- Black
- Asian
- Mixed
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	6,145	5,955	5,840	5,515	5,350	5,040
Placed June deadline applicants	1,605	1,535	1,530	1,490	1,300	1,165
All placed applicants	1,940	1,855	1,800	1,720	1,540	1,470

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	6,730	6,510	6,380	6,020	5,870	5,510
Offers	6,430	6,225	6,100	5,790	5,540	5,295
Offer rate	95.5%	95.6%	95.6%	96.1%	94.4%	96.1%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	3,110	2,890	2,660	2,495	2,465	2,280
	Women	3,035	3,065	3,185	3,020	2,885	2,760
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	890	805	715	720	645	605
	Women	715	725	820	770	655	555
All placed applicants	Men	1,085	985	860	855	775	775
	Women	850	870	940	865	765	700

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	3,425	3,195	2,920	2,740	2,720	2,515
	Women	3,305	3,310	3,460	3,280	3,150	2,995
Offers	Men	3,285	3,055	2,800	2,640	2,550	2,410
	Women	3,145	3,165	3,300	3,145	2,990	2,885
Offer rate	Men	95.9%	95.6%	95.9%	96.4%	93.6%	95.8%
	Women	95.2%	95.6%	95.4%	95.9%	95.0%	96.3%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	870	925	870	770	805	745
	Quintile 2	1,180	1,115	1,180	1,030	985	995
	Quintile 3	1,445	1,360	1,365	1,285	1,220	1,135
	Quintile 4	1,290	1,280	1,200	1,205	1,140	1,065
	Quintile 5	1,350	1,265	1,220	1,210	1,185	1,075
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	240	230	225	190	195	165
	Quintile 2	275	285	310	280	270	245
	Quintile 3	445	375	395	355	310	280
	Quintile 4	330	355	325	335	265	250
	Quintile 5	305	280	270	320	255	220
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	265	285	270	210	235	205
	Quintile 2	335	335	355	325	320	295
	Quintile 3	500	460	455	405	360	355
	Quintile 4	415	420	385	400	320	305
	Quintile 5	410	360	325	375	305	305

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	945	1,000	950	845	870	820
	Quintile 2	1,285	1,220	1,275	1,110	1,085	1,090
	Quintile 3	1,650	1,505	1,505	1,430	1,355	1,270
	Quintile 4	1,425	1,415	1,340	1,320	1,255	1,160
	Quintile 5	1,410	1,355	1,300	1,295	1,290	1,145
Offers	Quintile 1	890	955	895	800	810	780
	Quintile 2	1,235	1,155	1,225	1,065	1,030	1,050
	Quintile 3	1,570	1,440	1,440	1,375	1,280	1,215
	Quintile 4	1,375	1,365	1,280	1,275	1,180	1,115
	Quintile 5	1,355	1,305	1,250	1,255	1,220	1,110
Offer rate	Quintile 1	94.0%	95.3%	93.9%	95.0%	93.0%	95.5%
	Quintile 2	95.8%	94.6%	96.3%	95.6%	95.1%	96.4%
	Quintile 3	95.1%	95.7%	95.7%	96.2%	94.5%	95.5%
	Quintile 4	96.4%	96.5%	95.6%	96.4%	94.2%	96.1%
	Quintile 5	96.1%	96.1%	96.1%	96.9%	94.9%	96.8%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	5,730	5,560	5,440	5,120	4,900	4,620
	Black	85	80	60	50	75	50
	Asian	135	115	135	110	150	135
	Mixed	150	150	135	160	160	155
	Other	15	20	30	30	30	20
Placed June deadline applicants	White	1,505	1,435	1,455	1,405	1,220	1,075
	Black	20	20	10	5	10	5
	Asian	25	25	25	20	20	25
	Mixed	40	40	25	45	35	40
	Other	0	10	10	5	5	0
All placed applicants	White	1,785	1,690	1,660	1,570	1,395	1,250
	Black	30	30	15	10	15	10
	Asian	45	40	35	30	30	40
	Mixed	45	50	30	55	45	50
	Other	5	10	10	10	10	5

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	6,305	6,100	5,970	5,605	5,390	5,070
	Black	85	80	60	50	75	55
	Asian	140	115	140	115	160	140
	Mixed	155	160	140	170	170	170
	Other	15	20	30	35	30	20
Offers	White	6,030	5,835	5,715	5,405	5,130	4,885
	Black	75	75	45	50	65	45
	Asian	130	110	135	100	140	130
	Mixed	145	155	140	160	150	160
	Other	15	20	25	30	20	15
Offer rate	White	95.7%	95.7%	95.7%	96.4%	95.2%	96.4%
	Black	88.5%	91.5%	75.0%	100.0%	86.7%	81.5%
	Asian	95.0%	94.9%	100.0%	87.8%	86.3%	92.9%
	Mixed	94.8%	100.0%	100.0%	94.7%	88.9%	95.2%
	Other	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	84.8%	68.8%	100.0%

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 2019 cycle runs from September 2018 through to October 2019.

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 2019 End of Cycle Report and the 2019 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.