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Applicant statistics: June deadline applicants, placed June deadline applicants, all placed applicants, June deadline applicants per 10,000 population, placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population, all placed applicants per 10,000 population

Application statistics: June deadline applications, offers, offer rate, average offer rate, percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate, contribution of group to the average offer rate

Non-disclosure controls: To avoid the disclosure of information about any individual the following measures are taken

- Applicants, placed applicants, applications and offers are rounded to the nearest 5.
- Applicants/placed applicants per 10,000 population figures are reported as 0 if the applicant/placed applicant figures are rounded to 0.
- All statistics related to the offer rate are not reported when the number of applications for a group is less than 10. The percentage point difference between the offer rate and the average offer rate is not reported when the number of applications for a group is less than 50.
- Offer rates are reported as 0% if there are fewer than 5 offers, and 100% if the number of offers is within 5 of the number of applications. When the offer rate is reported as 0% or 100%, it is reported in italics.

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P.1 18 year old applicants

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	3,545	3,315	2,925	2,720	2,245	1,905
Placed June deadline applicants	655	570	510	490	410	375
All placed applicants	790	715	620	590	485	445
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	47.0	43.3	39.0	36.7	31.1	26.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	8.7	7.4	6.8	6.6	5.7	5.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	10.5	9.3	8.3	8.0	6.7	6.3

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	3,795	3,545	3,185	2,965	2,430	2,075
Offers	3,110	2,980	2,610	2,455	1,945	1,750
Offer rate	82.0%	84.1%	81.9%	82.9%	80.2%	84.4%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	1,000	970	880	725	650	525
	Women	2,545	2,345	2,045	1,995	1,600	1,380
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	175	160	150	115	100	80
	Women	480	410	360	375	310	295
All placed applicants	Men	210	200	180	145	115	95
	Women	580	515	440	445	370	350
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	25.8	24.7	22.9	19.1	17.5	14.5
	Women	69.5	62.8	56.0	55.2	45.4	40.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	4.5	4.1	3.9	3.0	2.6	2.3
	Women	13.1	10.9	9.9	10.3	8.9	8.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	5.4	5.1	4.7	3.8	3.1	2.6
	Women	15.8	13.8	12.0	12.4	10.5	10.2

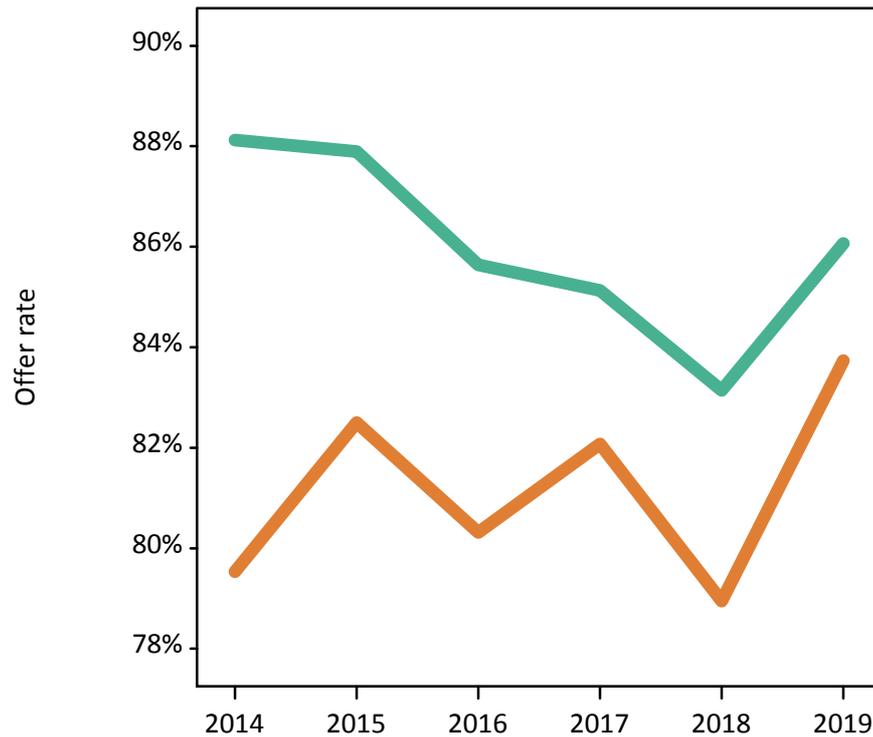
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	1,085	1,050	970	785	700	565
	Women	2,705	2,495	2,215	2,175	1,730	1,505
Offers	Men	955	920	830	670	580	490
	Women	2,155	2,060	1,780	1,785	1,365	1,260
Offer rate	Men	88.1%	87.9%	85.6%	85.1%	83.1%	86.1%
	Women	79.5%	82.5%	80.3%	82.1%	78.9%	83.7%
Average offer rate	Men	88.0%	88.5%	85.3%	85.4%	83.8%	86.9%
	Women	79.6%	82.2%	80.5%	82.0%	78.7%	83.4%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	0.2	-0.7	0.4	-0.2	-0.7	-0.9
	Women	-0.1	0.3	-0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.536	0.552	0.558	0.527	0.592	0.548
	Women	0.814	0.812	0.807	0.829	0.835	0.830

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.

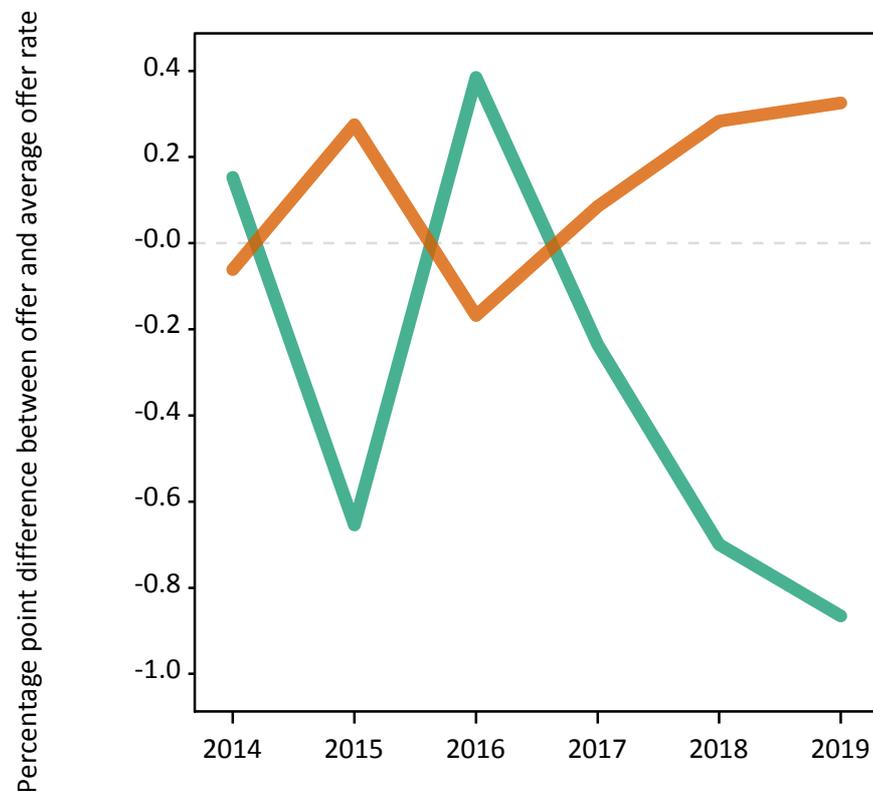
Men
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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	595	550	490	470	370	295
	Quintile 2	715	705	655	550	470	410
	Quintile 3	755	670	610	595	485	415
	Quintile 4	800	765	610	595	500	430
	Quintile 5	670	625	560	505	415	345
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	130	85	105	100	70	65
	Quintile 2	130	105	120	100	85	85
	Quintile 3	135	135	105	120	105	85
	Quintile 4	140	140	100	95	85	85
	Quintile 5	125	105	80	70	65	55
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	145	105	115	115	80	80
	Quintile 2	155	125	135	115	100	100
	Quintile 3	165	165	140	145	130	95
	Quintile 4	175	180	125	120	100	100
	Quintile 5	150	140	105	90	75	70
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	42.5	38.8	35.9	35.2	28.6	23.3
	Quintile 2	49.9	48.3	46.1	39.3	34.6	30.9
	Quintile 3	51.5	44.6	41.5	41.0	34.4	29.9
	Quintile 4	52.5	49.4	40.0	39.3	34.0	29.8
	Quintile 5	39.4	35.9	32.5	29.6	24.7	20.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	9.1	5.9	7.6	7.6	5.2	5.0
	Quintile 2	9.1	7.1	8.3	7.1	6.4	6.6
	Quintile 3	9.1	9.0	7.2	8.4	7.4	6.2
	Quintile 4	9.1	9.1	6.6	6.2	5.8	5.7
	Quintile 5	7.4	6.0	4.7	4.1	3.9	3.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	10.2	7.4	8.4	8.7	6.2	6.2
	Quintile 2	10.9	8.6	9.6	8.4	7.2	7.7
	Quintile 3	11.1	10.9	9.5	10.0	9.1	7.0
	Quintile 4	11.5	11.6	8.3	7.8	6.8	7.0
	Quintile 5	8.8	8.1	6.0	5.3	4.5	4.1

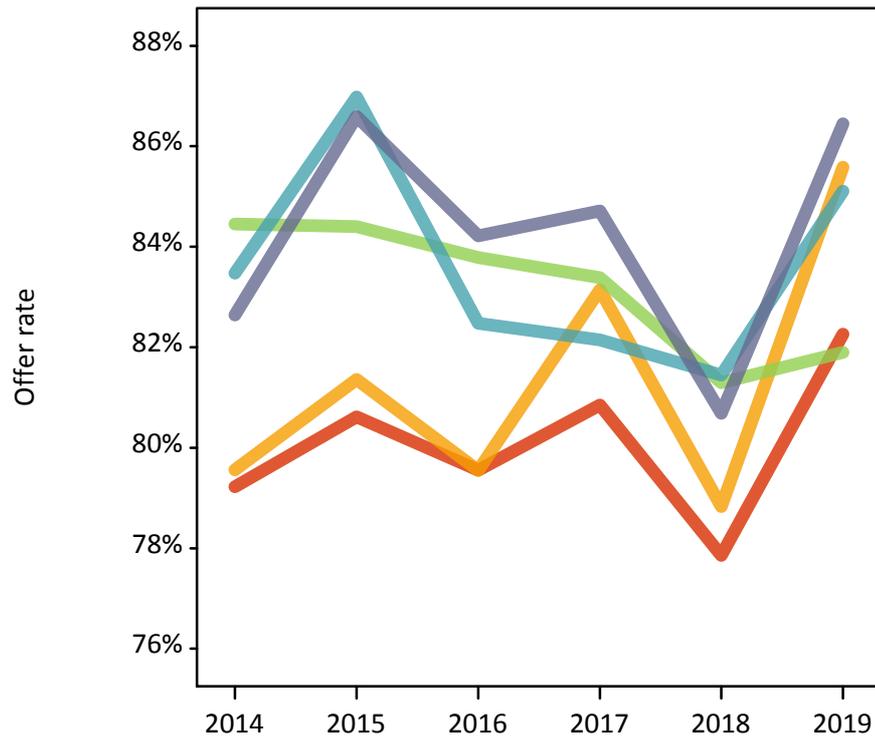
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	645	590	540	515	410	325
	Quintile 2	775	750	710	605	495	445
	Quintile 3	805	720	665	650	540	455
	Quintile 4	845	820	660	645	540	470
	Quintile 5	720	665	600	545	440	370
Offers	Quintile 1	510	475	430	420	320	270
	Quintile 2	615	610	565	505	390	380
	Quintile 3	680	605	560	540	440	370
	Quintile 4	705	715	545	530	440	400
	Quintile 5	595	575	505	460	355	320
Offer rate	Quintile 1	79.2%	80.6%	79.6%	80.9%	77.9%	82.3%
	Quintile 2	79.6%	81.4%	79.5%	83.1%	78.8%	85.6%
	Quintile 3	84.5%	84.4%	83.8%	83.4%	81.3%	81.9%
	Quintile 4	83.5%	87.0%	82.5%	82.1%	81.4%	85.1%
	Quintile 5	82.6%	86.6%	84.2%	84.7%	80.7%	86.4%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	82.3%	82.3%	79.3%	81.9%	79.3%	83.2%
	Quintile 2	80.8%	83.4%	80.3%	83.1%	80.0%	85.6%
	Quintile 3	82.6%	84.2%	83.6%	81.8%	79.8%	83.2%
	Quintile 4	82.0%	85.4%	83.2%	83.4%	81.5%	83.3%
	Quintile 5	82.4%	84.9%	83.0%	84.3%	79.9%	86.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-3.1	-1.7	0.2	-1.1	-1.5	-0.9
	Quintile 2	-1.2	-2.0	-0.7	0.1	-1.1	0.0
	Quintile 3	1.9	0.2	0.1	1.6	1.5	-1.3
	Quintile 4	1.5	1.6	-0.7	-1.2	-0.0	1.9
	Quintile 5	0.3	1.6	1.2	0.4	0.8	-0.0
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.269	0.266	0.301	0.316	0.347	0.343
	Quintile 2	0.287	0.309	0.345	0.352	0.347	0.388
	Quintile 3	0.302	0.310	0.329	0.333	0.376	0.371
	Quintile 4	0.320	0.346	0.331	0.347	0.369	0.412
	Quintile 5	0.305	0.317	0.340	0.355	0.349	0.361

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.

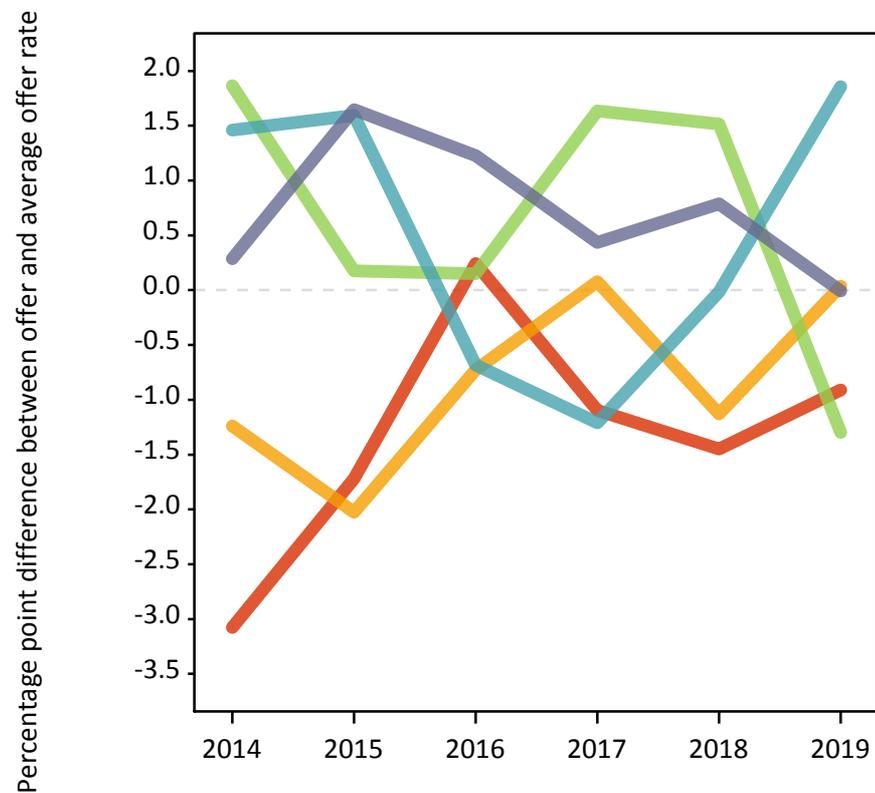
- Quintile 1
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- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



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	3,200	2,895	2,580	2,370	1,950	1,625
	Black	80	85	60	50	45	30
	Asian	190	235	215	220	180	180
	Mixed	55	70	55	65	55	50
	Other	15	15	10	5	5	10
Placed June deadline applicants	White	610	505	470	450	375	325
	Black	5	5	5	5	5	0
	Asian	25	45	30	25	25	35
	Mixed	10	10	5	5	5	15
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
All placed applicants	White	715	620	555	525	430	375
	Black	15	10	5	5	5	5
	Asian	45	65	45	45	35	45
	Mixed	10	10	10	5	5	15
	Other	0	5	0	0	0	0
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	51.9	46.5	42.6	39.9	34.1	29.4
	Black	26.1	26.7	19.5	15.3	14.3	9.1
	Asian	27.9	33.3	29.7	29.8	24.1	23.3
	Mixed	18.8	23.0	17.5	20.2	16.3	15.8
	Other	14.0	17.6	10.0	5.8	5.6	9.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	9.9	8.1	7.8	7.6	6.6	5.9
	Black	2.3	1.6	1.3	1.3	0.9	0.0
	Asian	4.0	6.4	3.9	3.7	3.6	4.5
	Mixed	2.8	2.6	2.2	1.2	0.9	4.0
	Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	White	11.6	10.0	9.2	8.8	7.5	6.8
	Black	4.3	2.8	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.8
	Asian	6.6	9.3	6.1	6.0	4.4	5.8
	Mixed	2.8	3.2	3.2	1.6	1.2	4.0
	Other	0.0	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

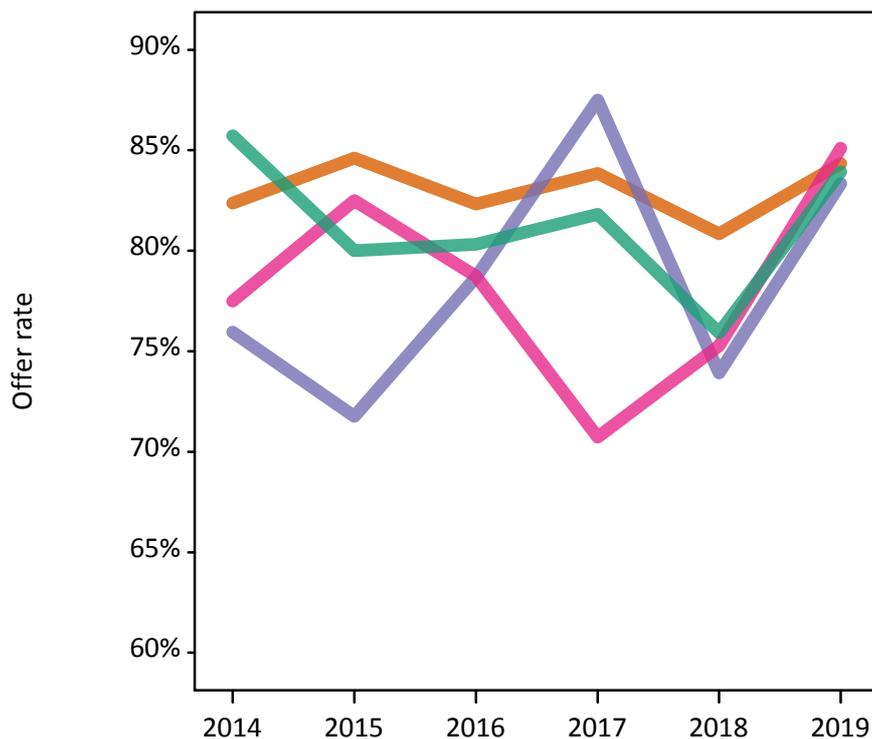
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	3,450	3,120	2,820	2,605	2,125	1,780
	Black	80	85	60	50	45	30
	Asian	190	240	220	220	190	190
	Mixed	55	75	60	65	55	55
	Other	15	15	10	5	5	10
Offers	White	2,840	2,640	2,325	2,185	1,715	1,500
	Black	60	60	50	40	35	25
	Asian	150	200	175	155	145	160
	Mixed	50	60	50	55	40	45
	Other	10	15	5	5	5	10
Offer rate	White	82.4%	84.6%	82.3%	83.9%	80.8%	84.3%
	Black	75.9%	71.8%	78.7%	87.5%	73.9%	83.3%
	Asian	77.5%	82.5%	78.7%	70.7%	75.3%	85.1%
	Mixed	85.7%	80.0%	80.3%	81.8%	75.9%	83.9%
	Other	61.5%	100.0%	100.0%	N/A	N/A	100.0%
Average offer rate	White	82.3%	84.3%	82.1%	83.4%	80.5%	84.4%
	Black	83.8%	79.2%	79.9%	91.2%	75.7%	89.0%
	Asian	75.3%	83.6%	80.0%	75.1%	77.6%	82.3%
	Mixed	83.9%	83.1%	81.9%	85.5%	79.8%	85.9%
	Other	80.4%	90.0%	75.9%	N/A	N/A	92.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	White	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.4	-0.1
	Black	-7.8	-7.5	-1.3	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Asian	2.2	-1.1	-1.3	-4.4	-2.3	2.8
	Mixed	1.9	-3.1	-1.6	-3.7	-3.8	-2.0
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	White	0.921	0.898	0.908	0.905	0.905	0.894
	Black	0.125	0.140	0.226	0.139	0.207	0.233
	Asian	0.181	0.216	0.227	0.294	0.325	0.325
	Mixed	0.125	0.156	0.205	0.198	0.168	0.232
	Other	0.140	0.141	0.239	N/A	N/A	0.186

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.

- White
- Black
- Asian
- 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	7,200	6,725	6,350	5,595	4,565	3,770
Placed June deadline applicants	1,515	1,380	1,270	1,160	1,025	930
All placed applicants	1,850	1,730	1,585	1,460	1,250	1,170

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	7,840	7,285	6,935	6,130	4,985	4,135
Offers	5,930	5,695	5,125	4,635	3,720	3,230
Offer rate	75.6%	78.2%	73.9%	75.6%	74.6%	78.2%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	2,150	1,995	1,860	1,615	1,335	1,055
	Women	5,050	4,730	4,490	3,980	3,230	2,715
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	455	420	390	325	265	235
	Women	1,060	960	880	835	760	695
All placed applicants	Men	560	530	480	410	325	295
	Women	1,290	1,200	1,105	1,055	925	875

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	2,365	2,175	2,040	1,785	1,470	1,150
	Women	5,475	5,110	4,895	4,345	3,515	2,985
Offers	Men	1,920	1,780	1,600	1,330	1,110	905
	Women	4,010	3,915	3,520	3,305	2,610	2,325
Offer rate	Men	81.3%	81.7%	78.5%	74.5%	75.4%	78.8%
	Women	73.2%	76.6%	71.9%	76.1%	74.3%	77.9%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,310	1,150	1,120	1,015	800	660
	Quintile 2	1,470	1,425	1,355	1,130	940	775
	Quintile 3	1,535	1,420	1,385	1,200	975	795
	Quintile 4	1,580	1,520	1,320	1,235	1,045	885
	Quintile 5	1,290	1,195	1,155	1,005	790	635
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	325	230	250	245	200	165
	Quintile 2	290	260	275	240	220	190
	Quintile 3	320	325	295	280	240	220
	Quintile 4	310	335	250	230	225	215
	Quintile 5	265	225	195	165	140	140
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	380	290	300	300	235	215
	Quintile 2	350	320	325	285	260	235
	Quintile 3	410	400	380	360	305	275
	Quintile 4	395	425	330	295	275	275
	Quintile 5	315	295	250	215	170	165

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,450	1,250	1,225	1,130	880	730
	Quintile 2	1,620	1,545	1,475	1,250	1,025	835
	Quintile 3	1,670	1,550	1,535	1,315	1,085	890
	Quintile 4	1,695	1,635	1,435	1,340	1,130	970
	Quintile 5	1,395	1,290	1,250	1,085	855	690
Offers	Quintile 1	1,070	930	860	845	650	550
	Quintile 2	1,175	1,180	1,070	935	760	665
	Quintile 3	1,290	1,225	1,165	990	800	690
	Quintile 4	1,295	1,300	1,060	1,010	860	755
	Quintile 5	1,090	1,045	955	845	640	555
Offer rate	Quintile 1	73.8%	74.3%	70.1%	74.8%	73.9%	75.5%
	Quintile 2	72.5%	76.5%	72.7%	74.7%	74.0%	79.4%
	Quintile 3	77.4%	79.0%	76.0%	75.4%	73.8%	77.5%
	Quintile 4	76.4%	79.6%	73.9%	75.4%	76.0%	77.8%
	Quintile 5	78.2%	81.1%	76.3%	77.8%	75.3%	80.7%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	6,320	5,725	5,415	4,760	3,830	3,170
	Black	255	275	255	190	165	110
	Asian	405	505	460	460	395	355
	Mixed	155	140	150	125	115	90
	Other	40	50	35	25	35	30
Placed June deadline applicants	White	1,375	1,205	1,135	1,075	910	825
	Black	40	40	25	15	15	10
	Asian	60	105	75	50	70	65
	Mixed	30	20	30	10	20	25
	Other	5	5	5	0	5	5
All placed applicants	White	1,590	1,425	1,325	1,250	1,030	930
	Black	70	60	45	30	20	25
	Asian	85	135	115	80	95	90
	Mixed	30	25	35	15	20	25
	Other	15	10	15	5	10	5

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	6,925	6,245	5,960	5,275	4,215	3,510
	Black	265	290	265	195	165	115
	Asian	425	520	480	470	425	365
	Mixed	160	145	160	130	115	95
	Other	40	50	40	25	35	30
Offers	White	5,310	4,970	4,475	4,035	3,195	2,770
	Black	165	170	145	135	95	70
	Asian	290	395	340	320	300	285
	Mixed	115	105	110	95	80	80
	Other	25	35	30	15	30	20
Offer rate	White	76.7%	79.6%	75.1%	76.5%	75.8%	79.0%
	Black	62.0%	58.7%	55.5%	69.7%	56.4%	59.6%
	Asian	68.6%	76.1%	71.0%	68.6%	70.4%	77.1%
	Mixed	73.6%	72.6%	69.1%	70.5%	70.7%	80.4%
	Other	63.4%	71.4%	68.3%	70.8%	82.4%	75.9%

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.