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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	7,835	9,440	9,020	9,695	9,590	10,010
Placed June deadline applicants	1,255	1,510	1,670	1,845	1,830	1,890
All placed applicants	1,580	1,715	1,890	2,075	2,040	2,230
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	104.0	123.2	120.4	130.9	132.7	141.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	16.7	19.7	22.3	24.9	25.3	26.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	21.0	22.4	25.2	28.0	28.3	31.5

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	8,080	9,740	9,315	9,965	9,920	10,320
Offers	7,200	8,355	8,495	9,095	9,025	9,390
Offer rate	89.1%	85.8%	91.2%	91.3%	91.0%	91.0%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	3,850	4,675	4,535	5,060	4,965	5,015
	Women	3,985	4,770	4,485	4,635	4,625	5,000
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	640	730	800	910	935	925
	Women	615	780	865	935	895	965
All placed applicants	Men	815	835	935	1,025	1,065	1,115
	Women	765	880	955	1,050	980	1,115
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	99.5	119.1	118.1	133.2	134.0	138.4
	Women	108.8	127.6	122.7	128.4	131.4	144.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	16.5	18.7	20.9	24.0	25.3	25.5
	Women	16.8	20.8	23.7	25.9	25.4	27.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	21.1	21.3	24.3	26.9	28.7	30.8
	Women	20.8	23.6	26.2	29.1	27.8	32.2

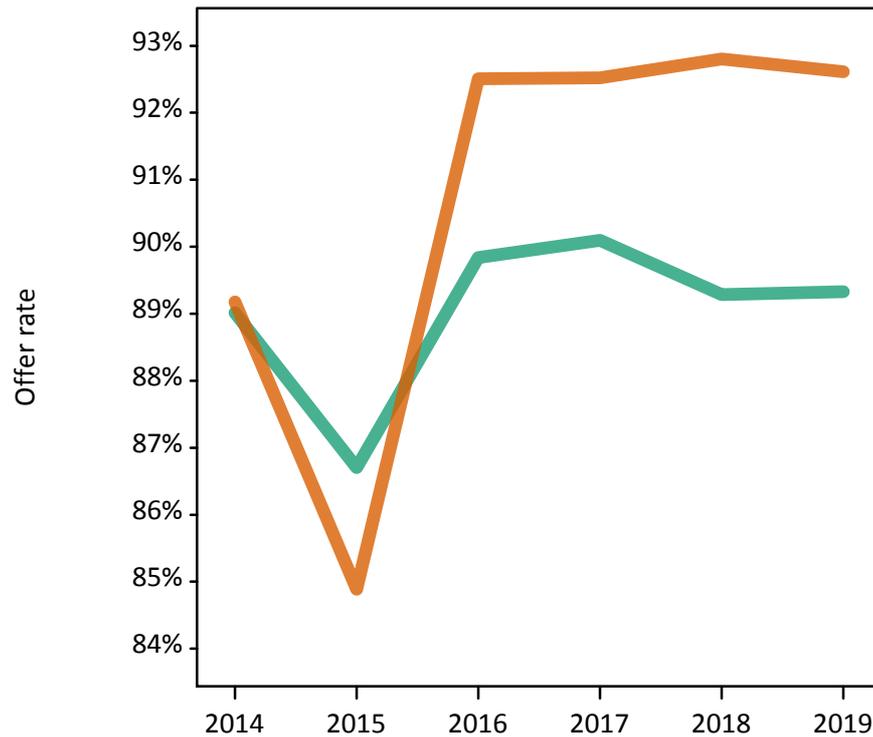
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	3,985	4,835	4,685	5,180	5,155	5,165
	Women	4,095	4,905	4,630	4,785	4,765	5,160
Offers	Men	3,550	4,195	4,210	4,670	4,600	4,610
	Women	3,650	4,165	4,285	4,430	4,425	4,775
Offer rate	Men	89.0%	86.7%	89.8%	90.1%	89.3%	89.3%
	Women	89.2%	84.9%	92.5%	92.5%	92.8%	92.6%
Average offer rate	Men	89.3%	87.0%	90.3%	90.4%	89.6%	89.9%
	Women	88.9%	84.6%	92.1%	92.2%	92.5%	92.1%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.6
	Women	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.6
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.649	0.651	0.653	0.667	0.667	0.646
	Women	0.658	0.656	0.649	0.640	0.640	0.645

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.

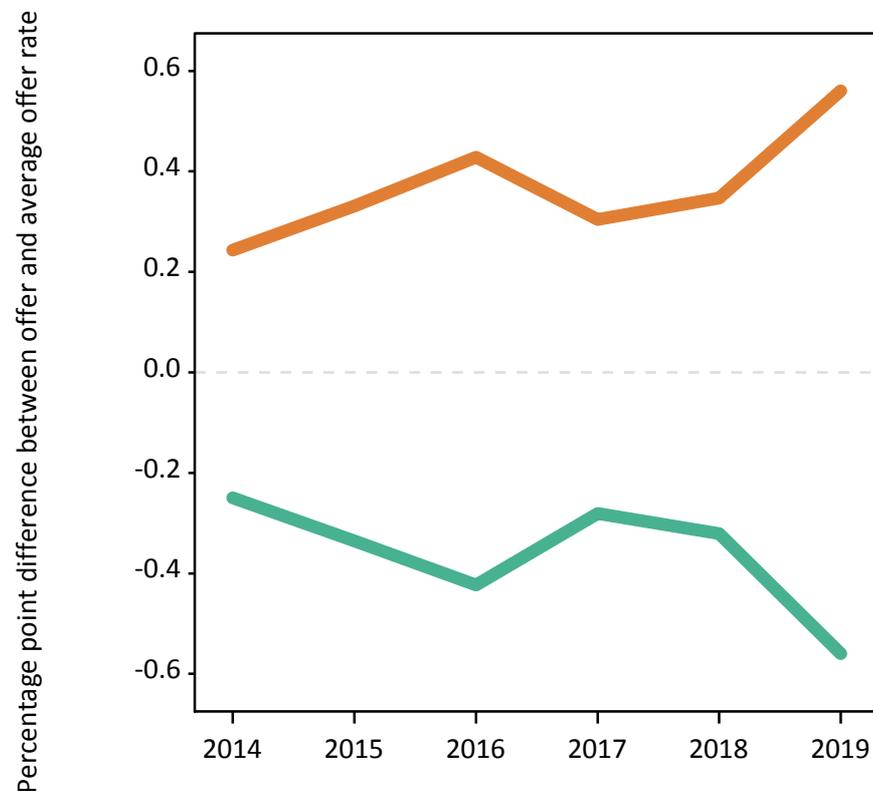
Men
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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	625	855	805	885	810	925
	Quintile 2	1,195	1,435	1,360	1,435	1,405	1,420
	Quintile 3	1,430	1,685	1,720	1,780	1,805	1,890
	Quintile 4	1,875	2,290	2,165	2,340	2,330	2,425
	Quintile 5	2,690	3,160	2,955	3,245	3,215	3,320
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	100	120	140	155	135	170
	Quintile 2	190	240	240	275	245	255
	Quintile 3	265	265	345	350	345	350
	Quintile 4	285	385	420	450	470	455
	Quintile 5	410	495	525	615	630	650
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	120	140	155	170	150	190
	Quintile 2	240	265	270	305	275	310
	Quintile 3	320	300	390	385	385	410
	Quintile 4	360	430	465	515	520	540
	Quintile 5	535	580	605	700	705	775
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	44.6	60.3	59.0	66.3	62.2	72.9
	Quintile 2	83.3	98.2	96.0	102.8	103.7	107.5
	Quintile 3	97.6	112.5	117.4	122.7	127.9	137.0
	Quintile 4	122.8	148.0	142.0	154.6	157.8	167.3
	Quintile 5	158.0	182.0	171.2	189.4	191.0	199.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	7.2	8.6	10.4	11.6	10.4	13.2
	Quintile 2	13.4	16.6	17.0	19.7	18.2	19.5
	Quintile 3	18.0	17.5	23.4	24.3	24.5	25.4
	Quintile 4	18.8	25.0	27.4	29.8	31.9	31.5
	Quintile 5	24.1	28.4	30.3	35.9	37.3	39.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	8.6	9.7	11.3	12.7	11.5	14.8
	Quintile 2	16.6	18.2	19.0	21.7	20.2	23.3
	Quintile 3	21.8	20.1	26.5	26.6	27.2	29.8
	Quintile 4	23.6	27.6	30.6	33.9	35.3	37.2
	Quintile 5	31.5	33.4	35.2	40.9	42.0	46.7

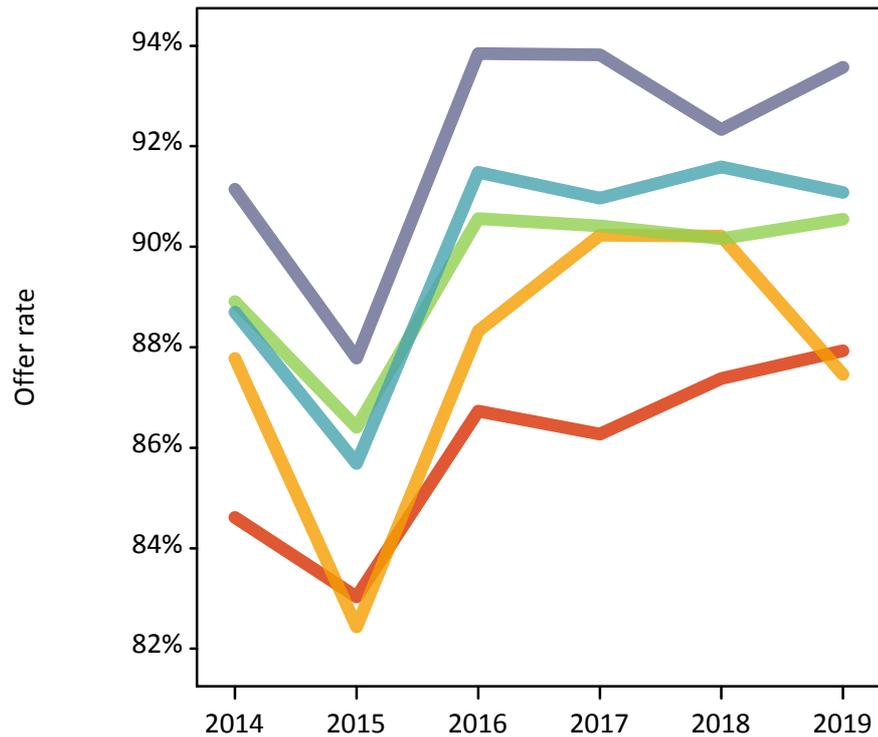
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	635	885	830	920	830	960
	Quintile 2	1,225	1,480	1,395	1,485	1,450	1,460
	Quintile 3	1,480	1,750	1,780	1,815	1,880	1,945
	Quintile 4	1,945	2,375	2,255	2,400	2,415	2,510
	Quintile 5	2,765	3,235	3,040	3,335	3,315	3,405
Offers	Quintile 1	540	735	720	790	725	845
	Quintile 2	1,075	1,220	1,235	1,340	1,310	1,275
	Quintile 3	1,315	1,515	1,610	1,640	1,695	1,765
	Quintile 4	1,725	2,035	2,060	2,185	2,210	2,285
	Quintile 5	2,520	2,840	2,850	3,130	3,060	3,190
Offer rate	Quintile 1	84.6%	83.0%	86.7%	86.3%	87.4%	87.9%
	Quintile 2	87.8%	82.4%	88.3%	90.2%	90.2%	87.5%
	Quintile 3	88.9%	86.4%	90.6%	90.4%	90.2%	90.5%
	Quintile 4	88.7%	85.7%	91.5%	91.0%	91.6%	91.1%
	Quintile 5	91.1%	87.8%	93.8%	93.8%	92.3%	93.6%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	86.7%	84.4%	87.8%	87.4%	88.3%	88.0%
	Quintile 2	88.2%	83.3%	89.4%	90.3%	90.3%	89.1%
	Quintile 3	89.3%	86.0%	90.5%	90.9%	90.3%	90.6%
	Quintile 4	88.6%	85.3%	91.3%	91.0%	91.3%	91.2%
	Quintile 5	90.3%	87.5%	93.3%	93.2%	92.2%	92.7%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-2.1	-1.4	-1.1	-1.1	-0.9	-0.0
	Quintile 2	-0.4	-0.9	-1.0	-0.0	-0.1	-1.7
	Quintile 3	-0.4	0.4	0.1	-0.5	-0.1	-0.1
	Quintile 4	0.1	0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.2	-0.1
	Quintile 5	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.8
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.186	0.192	0.179	0.205	0.192	0.194
	Quintile 2	0.238	0.251	0.239	0.227	0.235	0.232
	Quintile 3	0.272	0.250	0.267	0.264	0.267	0.271
	Quintile 4	0.317	0.311	0.313	0.311	0.315	0.312
	Quintile 5	0.423	0.408	0.404	0.408	0.408	0.405

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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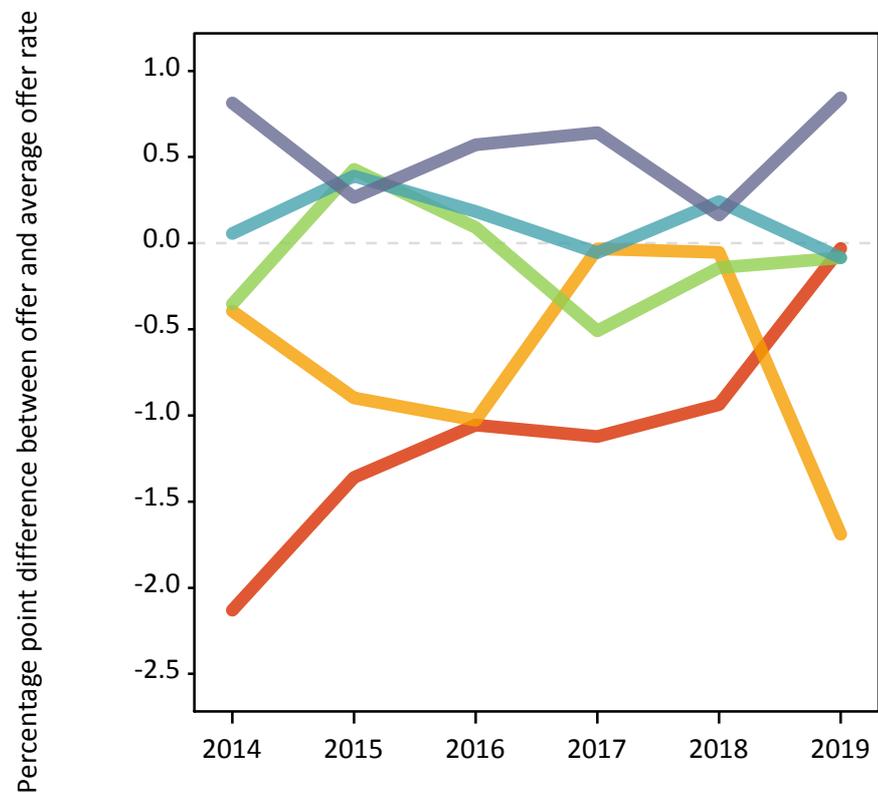
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- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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	6,610	7,740	7,535	7,845	7,800	7,970
	Black	260	295	265	320	330	350
	Asian	650	945	790	995	950	1,100
	Mixed	235	320	300	385	350	410
	Other	50	80	75	85	85	100
Placed June deadline applicants	White	1,110	1,335	1,505	1,615	1,605	1,645
	Black	25	25	25	30	30	30
	Asian	70	90	90	110	120	130
	Mixed	45	50	35	60	50	65
	Other	5	5	5	10	15	10
All placed applicants	White	1,350	1,480	1,665	1,770	1,735	1,860
	Black	45	40	40	50	45	50
	Asian	110	115	120	150	175	200
	Mixed	60	65	45	70	60	80
	Other	5	10	10	10	15	15
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	107.2	124.2	124.6	132.2	136.5	144.2
	Black	85.8	93.0	85.3	101.4	102.3	105.8
	Asian	95.6	133.5	110.1	135.1	125.7	140.9
	Mixed	81.3	103.4	96.0	119.9	107.6	124.6
	Other	53.7	82.0	75.4	84.5	81.1	90.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	18.0	21.4	24.9	27.2	28.1	29.7
	Black	8.9	8.2	8.0	9.2	10.0	8.5
	Asian	10.0	12.6	12.2	15.1	15.9	16.4
	Mixed	15.3	15.6	11.1	18.7	15.1	19.8
	Other	5.4	7.3	7.0	7.8	13.0	9.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	White	21.9	23.8	27.5	29.8	30.4	33.7
	Black	14.8	12.3	13.1	16.2	14.0	15.8
	Asian	16.5	16.0	16.4	20.2	23.0	25.5
	Mixed	20.9	20.4	14.0	22.1	19.1	24.3
	Other	6.4	11.4	11.1	10.7	14.9	14.3

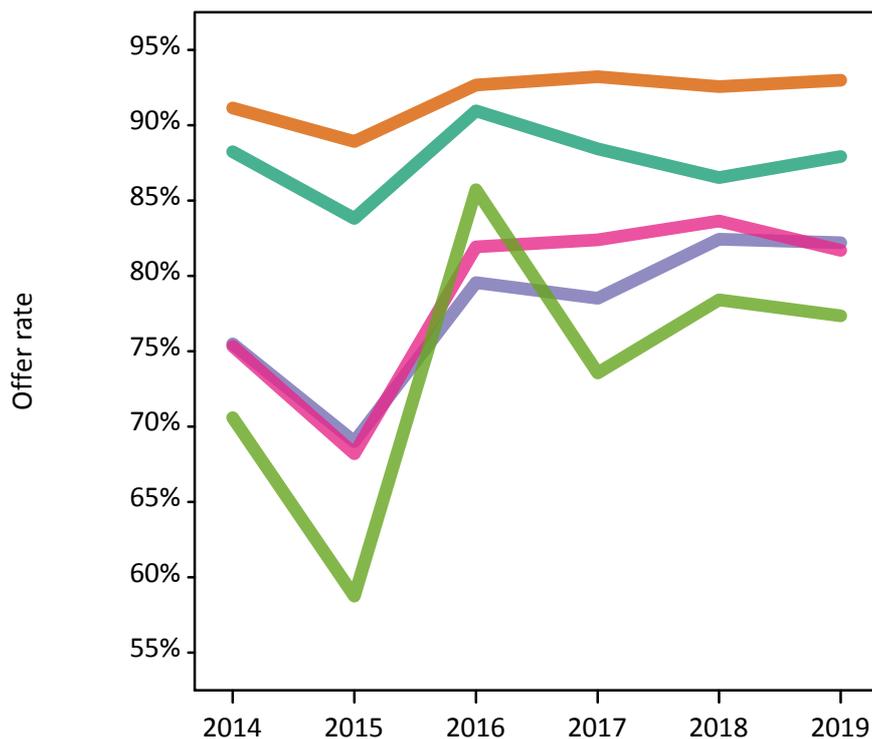
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	6,830	8,015	7,800	8,090	8,105	8,230
	Black	260	300	270	320	330	355
	Asian	665	960	810	1,010	965	1,125
	Mixed	240	320	310	390	355	420
	Other	50	80	75	85	90	105
Offers	White	6,225	7,130	7,225	7,540	7,500	7,650
	Black	195	205	215	250	270	290
	Asian	500	655	660	835	810	920
	Mixed	210	270	280	345	310	370
	Other	35	45	65	65	70	80
Offer rate	White	91.1%	88.9%	92.7%	93.2%	92.5%	93.0%
	Black	75.5%	69.0%	79.6%	78.5%	82.4%	82.2%
	Asian	75.3%	68.2%	81.9%	82.4%	83.6%	81.7%
	Mixed	88.2%	83.8%	90.9%	88.4%	86.5%	87.9%
	Other	70.6%	58.8%	85.7%	73.6%	78.4%	77.4%
Average offer rate	White	90.8%	88.5%	92.2%	92.7%	92.3%	92.2%
	Black	77.7%	71.5%	83.5%	81.0%	84.4%	86.1%
	Asian	77.2%	70.6%	84.6%	84.2%	84.5%	84.3%
	Mixed	88.5%	83.8%	91.3%	90.5%	87.9%	89.8%
	Other	73.1%	64.7%	83.5%	81.4%	83.0%	83.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	White	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.7
	Black	-2.2	-2.5	-4.0	-2.5	-2.0	-3.9
	Asian	-1.8	-2.4	-2.6	-1.8	-0.9	-2.7
	Mixed	-0.3	0.0	-0.4	-2.0	-1.4	-1.9
	Other	-2.5	-6.0	2.2	-7.8	-4.5	-6.4
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	White	0.877	0.857	0.866	0.845	0.850	0.833
	Black	0.215	0.159	0.173	0.160	0.164	0.170
	Asian	0.242	0.241	0.222	0.247	0.245	0.251
	Mixed	0.137	0.135	0.132	0.139	0.143	0.127
	Other	0.197	0.114	0.174	0.102	0.120	0.152

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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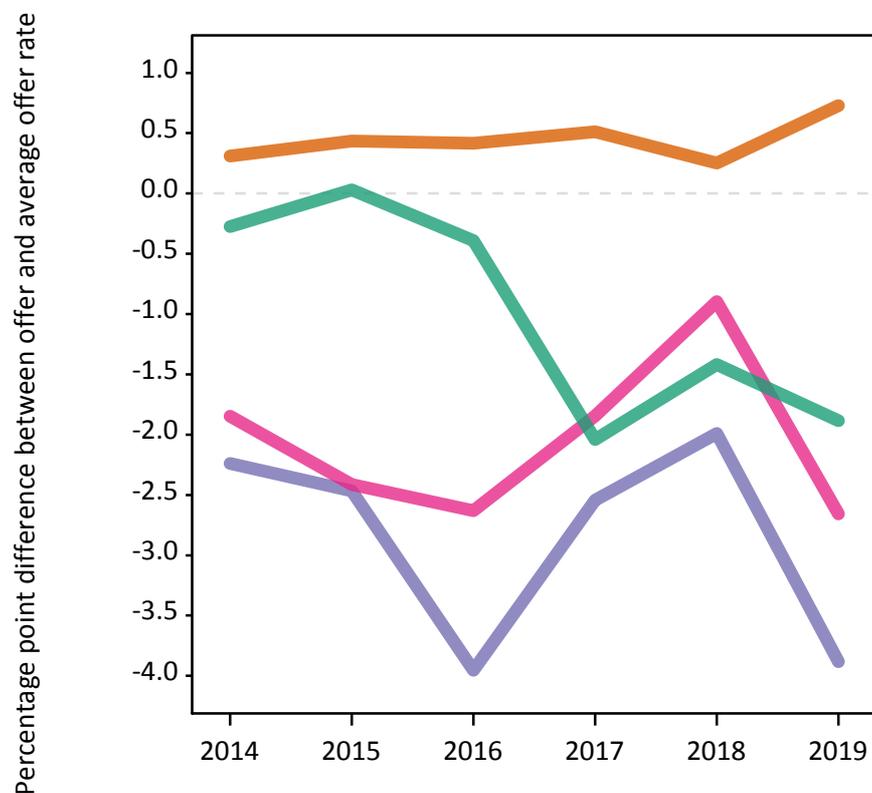
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- Black
- Asian
- Mixed
- Other



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	10,870	13,085	12,100	12,655	12,545	12,825
Placed June deadline applicants	1,710	2,020	2,195	2,375	2,345	2,370
All placed applicants	2,120	2,305	2,485	2,675	2,635	2,820

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	11,275	13,545	12,560	13,090	13,050	13,295
Offers	9,190	10,630	10,715	11,280	11,190	11,450
Offer rate	81.5%	78.5%	85.3%	86.2%	85.7%	86.1%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	5,450	6,665	6,215	6,765	6,655	6,590
	Women	5,425	6,420	5,885	5,890	5,890	6,240
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	875	1,030	1,095	1,205	1,240	1,195
	Women	830	990	1,105	1,175	1,105	1,175
All placed applicants	Men	1,105	1,175	1,270	1,355	1,405	1,460
	Women	1,015	1,130	1,215	1,320	1,230	1,365

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	5,665	6,920	6,435	6,985	6,935	6,825
	Women	5,605	6,620	6,120	6,105	6,115	6,470
Offers	Men	4,595	5,540	5,420	5,935	5,830	5,785
	Women	4,590	5,090	5,290	5,350	5,355	5,660
Offer rate	Men	81.1%	80.0%	84.2%	85.0%	84.1%	84.8%
	Women	81.9%	76.9%	86.5%	87.6%	87.6%	87.5%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	975	1,255	1,165	1,220	1,130	1,240
	Quintile 2	1,690	2,025	1,840	1,900	1,890	1,890
	Quintile 3	2,035	2,400	2,330	2,375	2,360	2,410
	Quintile 4	2,600	3,150	2,890	3,040	3,080	3,080
	Quintile 5	3,540	4,225	3,845	4,095	4,040	4,160
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	155	175	200	205	180	210
	Quintile 2	270	325	320	360	330	340
	Quintile 3	350	375	445	455	440	445
	Quintile 4	395	495	540	585	605	570
	Quintile 5	530	640	685	770	785	795
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	185	205	225	225	200	245
	Quintile 2	330	360	355	400	370	405
	Quintile 3	415	425	505	500	490	525
	Quintile 4	495	560	610	665	675	680
	Quintile 5	690	750	790	880	895	960

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,005	1,310	1,220	1,270	1,170	1,295
	Quintile 2	1,745	2,100	1,890	1,975	1,960	1,960
	Quintile 3	2,110	2,495	2,425	2,445	2,475	2,495
	Quintile 4	2,725	3,280	3,015	3,150	3,215	3,200
	Quintile 5	3,660	4,330	3,975	4,225	4,185	4,290
Offers	Quintile 1	755	975	950	1,035	920	1,050
	Quintile 2	1,385	1,580	1,565	1,665	1,645	1,600
	Quintile 3	1,690	1,950	2,060	2,050	2,100	2,145
	Quintile 4	2,215	2,550	2,585	2,700	2,780	2,760
	Quintile 5	3,125	3,550	3,535	3,815	3,715	3,860
Offer rate	Quintile 1	75.1%	74.5%	77.9%	81.5%	78.7%	81.0%
	Quintile 2	79.3%	75.2%	82.7%	84.4%	83.9%	81.4%
	Quintile 3	80.2%	78.1%	84.9%	83.8%	84.7%	85.8%
	Quintile 4	81.2%	77.7%	85.7%	85.7%	86.4%	86.3%
	Quintile 5	85.4%	82.0%	88.9%	90.3%	88.8%	89.9%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	8,760	10,175	9,630	9,875	9,755	9,845
	Black	470	575	495	550	550	545
	Asian	1,120	1,605	1,315	1,450	1,490	1,590
	Mixed	365	475	435	505	485	550
	Other	95	145	130	170	150	165
Placed June deadline applicants	White	1,490	1,765	1,915	2,035	1,990	2,000
	Black	45	40	45	55	50	55
	Asian	100	125	150	165	185	185
	Mixed	65	65	60	80	75	85
	Other	10	10	10	15	25	15
All placed applicants	White	1,790	1,965	2,110	2,225	2,160	2,290
	Black	70	60	65	80	70	90
	Asian	165	160	200	220	265	280
	Mixed	85	85	75	95	90	105
	Other	10	15	20	20	30	25

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	9,115	10,585	10,030	10,260	10,200	10,230
	Black	475	585	505	550	555	555
	Asian	1,145	1,635	1,345	1,480	1,525	1,630
	Mixed	380	480	445	510	500	570
	Other	95	145	135	175	155	170
Offers	White	7,765	8,825	8,835	9,140	9,030	9,095
	Black	290	335	325	390	390	400
	Asian	735	955	1,005	1,130	1,155	1,240
	Mixed	300	350	375	425	410	475
	Other	60	85	105	115	105	125
Offer rate	White	85.2%	83.3%	88.1%	89.1%	88.5%	88.9%
	Black	61.4%	57.6%	64.5%	70.7%	70.3%	72.2%
	Asian	63.9%	58.5%	74.8%	76.3%	75.7%	76.0%
	Mixed	78.9%	72.7%	84.7%	82.8%	82.2%	83.7%
	Other	63.5%	59.7%	76.3%	65.5%	69.5%	72.5%

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.