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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 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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	6,710	7,870	6,725	6,530	7,205	8,270
Placed June deadline applicants	940	1,035	915	870	925	1,230
All placed applicants	995	1,040	985	940	1,000	1,300
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	85.0	102.2	86.9	85.8	95.7	108.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	11.9	13.5	11.8	11.4	12.3	16.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	12.6	13.5	12.7	12.3	13.3	17.0

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	7,045	8,215	7,030	6,780	7,500	8,550
Offers	4,850	5,370	4,935	5,280	6,085	7,220
Offer rate	68.8%	65.4%	70.2%	77.9%	81.2%	84.5%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	2,225	2,735	2,240	2,095	2,255	2,590
	Women	4,485	5,130	4,485	4,435	4,950	5,680
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	305	350	295	270	265	365
	Women	635	690	615	600	660	860
All placed applicants	Men	330	350	320	290	290	385
	Women	665	690	665	650	710	915
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	55.4	69.5	56.5	53.7	58.3	66.0
	Women	115.6	136.3	119.0	119.7	135.2	152.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	7.6	8.8	7.5	6.9	6.8	9.4
	Women	16.3	18.3	16.4	16.2	18.1	23.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	8.3	8.9	8.1	7.4	7.4	9.8
	Women	17.1	18.3	17.6	17.5	19.4	24.5

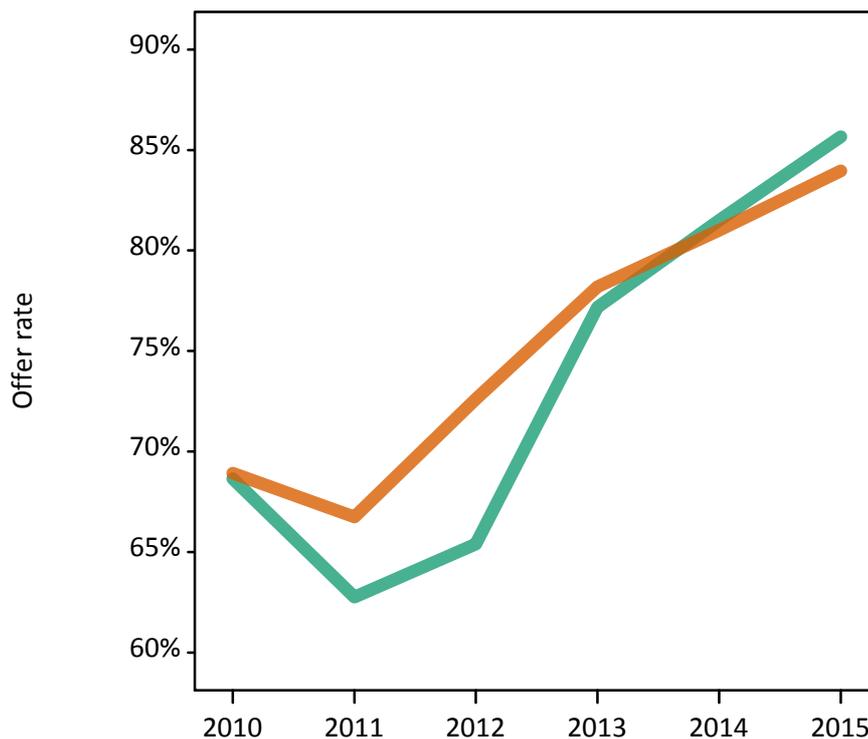
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	2,330	2,860	2,330	2,170	2,330	2,650
	Women	4,715	5,355	4,700	4,610	5,170	5,900
Offers	Men	1,600	1,795	1,525	1,675	1,900	2,270
	Women	3,250	3,575	3,415	3,605	4,190	4,955
Offer rate	Men	68.7%	62.8%	65.4%	77.2%	81.5%	85.7%
	Women	68.9%	66.7%	72.6%	78.2%	81.0%	84.0%
Average offer rate	Men	67.5%	62.6%	66.6%	77.3%	81.7%	85.3%
	Women	69.5%	66.8%	72.0%	78.2%	80.9%	84.1%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	1.1	0.1	-1.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.3
	Women	-0.5	-0.1	0.6	0.0	0.1	-0.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.502	0.506	0.483	0.465	0.461	0.460
	Women	0.754	0.736	0.744	0.748	0.757	0.757

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 2010-2015.

Men
Women



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

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	705	805	770	720	850	910
	Quintile 2	1,125	1,280	1,030	1,095	1,185	1,340
	Quintile 3	1,305	1,535	1,380	1,260	1,445	1,590
	Quintile 4	1,685	1,945	1,625	1,680	1,725	2,050
	Quintile 5	1,870	2,290	1,905	1,760	1,985	2,350
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	85	110	110	95	110	140
	Quintile 2	190	190	145	180	165	200
	Quintile 3	180	175	185	180	205	235
	Quintile 4	235	275	210	210	200	305
	Quintile 5	245	285	260	200	245	345
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	90	110	120	100	115	145
	Quintile 2	195	190	160	195	180	210
	Quintile 3	195	175	205	195	215	245
	Quintile 4	245	275	230	225	220	325
	Quintile 5	265	285	275	220	270	365
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	47.5	55.9	54.2	51.5	60.9	65.0
	Quintile 2	73.2	85.2	68.8	74.4	81.1	90.1
	Quintile 3	82.0	99.8	89.2	82.7	96.0	103.4
	Quintile 4	105.8	124.1	102.4	107.4	111.8	130.8
	Quintile 5	110.3	138.3	113.5	106.4	121.6	140.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	5.8	7.6	7.8	6.8	8.0	9.9
	Quintile 2	12.4	12.6	9.8	12.4	11.4	13.5
	Quintile 3	11.4	11.4	12.0	11.8	13.5	15.2
	Quintile 4	14.8	17.6	13.1	13.5	13.0	19.5
	Quintile 5	14.4	17.2	15.5	12.1	15.0	20.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	6.2	7.6	8.6	7.2	8.2	10.5
	Quintile 2	12.8	12.7	10.5	13.4	12.2	14.3
	Quintile 3	12.3	11.4	13.2	12.9	14.4	16.1
	Quintile 4	15.3	17.6	14.4	14.3	14.3	20.6
	Quintile 5	15.6	17.2	16.2	13.2	16.6	21.9

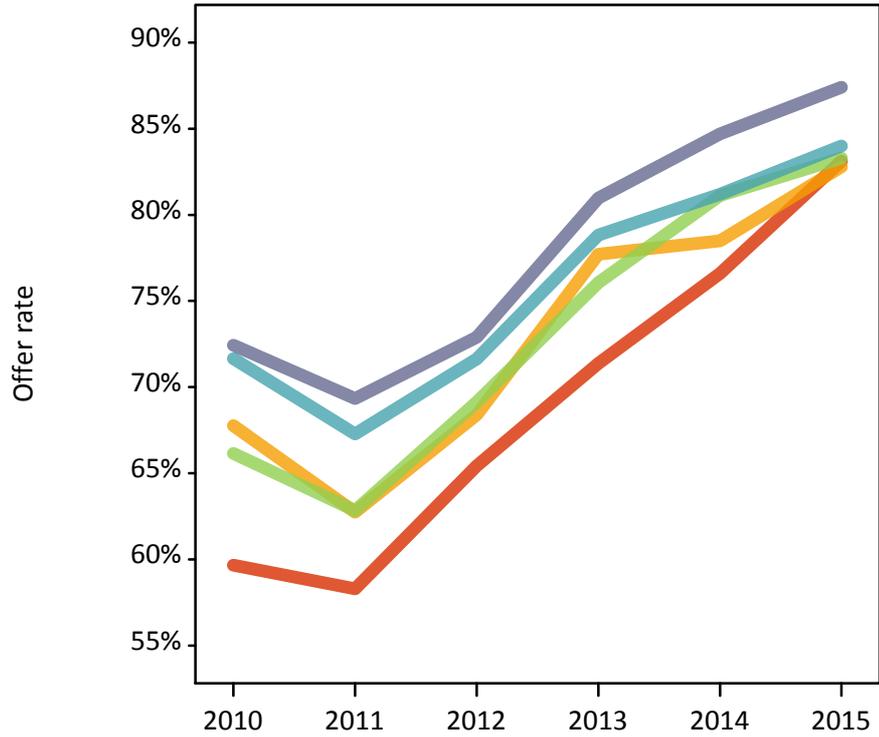
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	760	850	830	760	890	965
	Quintile 2	1,195	1,350	1,080	1,155	1,240	1,390
	Quintile 3	1,375	1,610	1,450	1,315	1,510	1,645
	Quintile 4	1,765	2,035	1,680	1,735	1,780	2,105
	Quintile 5	1,925	2,350	1,975	1,805	2,060	2,405
Offers	Quintile 1	455	495	545	540	680	805
	Quintile 2	810	845	740	895	975	1,150
	Quintile 3	910	1,015	1,005	1,000	1,225	1,370
	Quintile 4	1,265	1,370	1,205	1,365	1,445	1,770
	Quintile 5	1,395	1,630	1,440	1,460	1,745	2,105
Offer rate	Quintile 1	59.7%	58.3%	65.4%	71.4%	76.6%	83.1%
	Quintile 2	67.8%	62.7%	68.4%	77.7%	78.5%	82.8%
	Quintile 3	66.2%	62.8%	69.1%	76.1%	81.1%	83.3%
	Quintile 4	71.7%	67.3%	71.6%	78.8%	81.2%	84.0%
	Quintile 5	72.4%	69.3%	72.9%	81.0%	84.7%	87.4%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	64.6%	61.3%	66.0%	74.0%	77.5%	83.2%
	Quintile 2	67.8%	63.5%	68.3%	76.7%	78.6%	83.7%
	Quintile 3	67.5%	64.2%	68.2%	76.7%	82.0%	84.4%
	Quintile 4	70.3%	66.0%	71.9%	78.4%	81.2%	83.7%
	Quintile 5	70.8%	68.0%	73.1%	80.4%	83.5%	86.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-4.9	-3.1	-0.6	-2.6	-0.9	-0.0
	Quintile 2	-0.0	-0.7	0.1	1.0	-0.1	-1.0
	Quintile 3	-1.3	-1.3	0.9	-0.6	-0.9	-1.1
	Quintile 4	1.4	1.3	-0.3	0.4	-0.0	0.3
	Quintile 5	1.6	1.3	-0.2	0.5	1.2	1.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.191	0.166	0.195	0.194	0.192	0.185
	Quintile 2	0.234	0.220	0.217	0.242	0.231	0.225
	Quintile 3	0.252	0.246	0.268	0.263	0.265	0.251
	Quintile 4	0.314	0.297	0.299	0.314	0.294	0.297
	Quintile 5	0.338	0.341	0.346	0.339	0.351	0.349

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.

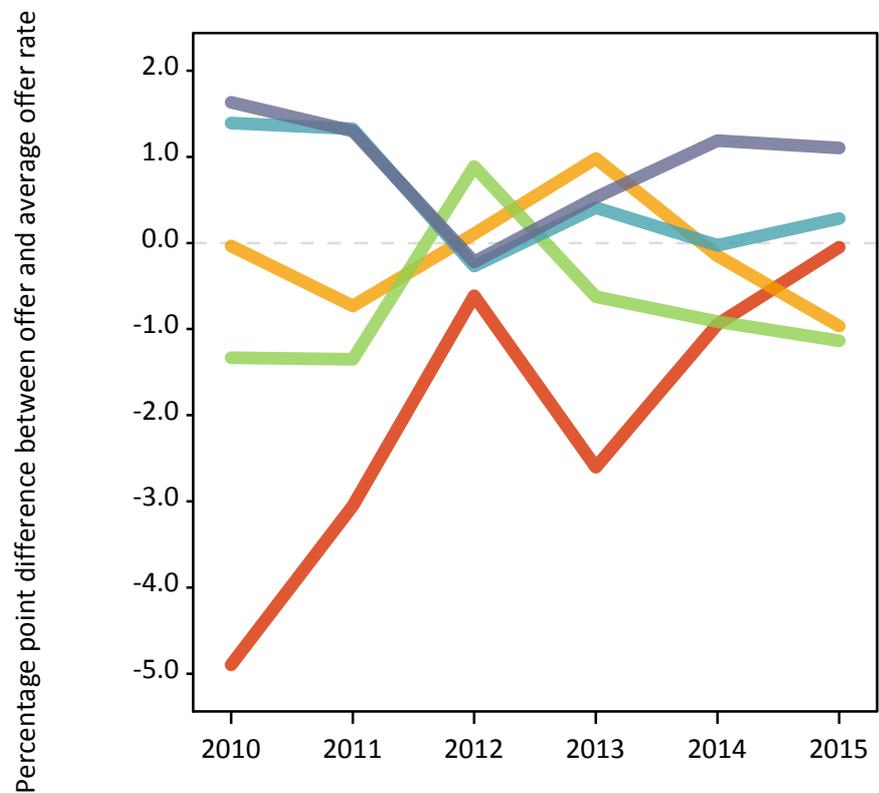
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- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.

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



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	105	155	150	165	225	190
	Black	115	175	120	145	160	200
	Mixed	185	210	195	220	235	310
	White	6,260	7,270	6,205	5,945	6,535	7,515
	Other	15	30	30	35	35	35
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	10	10	10	25	15	20
	Black	15	10	10	10	15	20
	Mixed	25	25	30	25	30	35
	White	885	980	860	805	865	1,145
	Other	0	5	5	5	5	5
All placed applicants	Asian	10	10	15	25	15	25
	Black	15	10	10	15	20	25
	Mixed	30	25	30	25	30	40
	White	940	985	925	860	930	1,205
	Other	0	5	5	5	5	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	17.1	24.9	23.3	24.9	33.2	26.7
	Black	43.2	64.0	43.0	49.2	52.1	62.9
	Mixed	80.3	85.9	74.9	82.1	82.4	100.2
	White	93.3	112.3	96.1	94.5	106.0	120.6
	Other	22.1	37.0	33.9	38.6	35.5	38.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	1.5	1.9	1.9	3.5	1.9	3.0
	Black	5.0	4.0	3.6	4.0	4.9	6.6
	Mixed	11.2	9.5	10.7	8.5	10.1	10.7
	White	13.2	15.2	13.3	12.8	14.0	18.4
	Other	0.0	3.7	4.5	6.6	5.4	4.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	1.6	1.9	2.2	3.9	2.1	3.4
	Black	5.0	4.0	3.9	5.7	5.9	8.2
	Mixed	12.1	9.5	12.3	9.2	10.8	12.7
	White	14.0	15.2	14.3	13.7	15.1	19.3
	Other	0.0	3.7	4.5	6.6	5.4	4.2

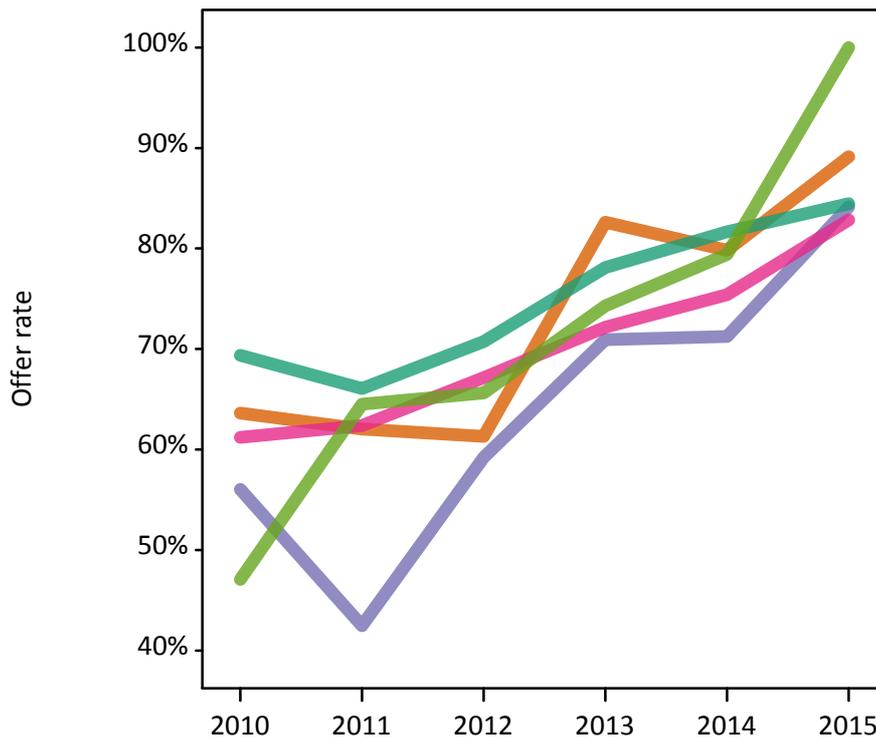
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	110	160	155	165	235	195
	Black	115	180	125	150	160	200
	Mixed	195	220	200	230	245	315
	White	6,575	7,600	6,495	6,180	6,815	7,775
	Other	15	30	30	35	35	40
Offers	Asian	70	100	95	140	185	170
	Black	65	75	75	105	115	170
	Mixed	120	135	135	165	185	260
	White	4,560	5,020	4,595	4,830	5,565	6,570
	Other	10	20	20	25	25	35
Offer rate	Asian	63.6%	62.0%	61.3%	82.6%	79.8%	89.1%
	Black	56.0%	42.5%	59.2%	70.9%	71.3%	84.2%
	Mixed	61.2%	62.4%	67.2%	72.2%	75.4%	82.9%
	White	69.4%	66.1%	70.8%	78.1%	81.7%	84.5%
	Other	47.1%	64.5%	65.6%	74.3%	79.4%	100.0%
Average offer rate	Asian	67.9%	67.9%	71.6%	82.4%	84.4%	89.6%
	Black	61.2%	53.3%	65.9%	75.8%	76.0%	82.1%
	Mixed	62.0%	63.5%	63.8%	75.0%	77.5%	83.2%
	White	69.2%	65.7%	70.5%	77.9%	81.3%	84.5%
	Other	59.9%	62.5%	69.2%	74.6%	82.3%	87.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-4.3	-5.9	-10.3	0.2	-4.6	-0.5
	Black	-5.2	-10.8	-6.7	-4.9	-4.7	2.0
	Mixed	-0.8	-1.2	3.4	-2.8	-2.1	-0.4
	White	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.0
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.096	0.072	0.140	0.173	0.126	0.109
	Black	0.107	0.097	0.103	0.109	0.119	0.099
	Mixed	0.117	0.100	0.106	0.100	0.100	0.098
	White	0.940	0.931	0.931	0.922	0.917	0.917
	Other	0.125	0.097	0.137	0.055	0.088	0.078

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 2010-2015.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	11,670	13,420	11,255	11,080	12,015	13,185
Placed June deadline applicants	1,885	1,935	1,685	1,695	1,840	2,215
All placed applicants	2,030	1,965	1,835	1,840	2,005	2,390

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	12,430	14,180	11,920	11,640	12,625	13,805
Offers	7,620	8,195	7,480	8,450	9,540	10,990
Offer rate	61.3%	57.8%	62.8%	72.6%	75.6%	79.6%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	4,125	4,895	4,020	3,810	4,100	4,440
	Women	7,550	8,525	7,235	7,275	7,915	8,740
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	635	685	540	560	580	710
	Women	1,250	1,250	1,145	1,130	1,260	1,505
All placed applicants	Men	700	690	590	595	635	775
	Women	1,330	1,270	1,245	1,245	1,370	1,615

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	4,390	5,155	4,230	3,970	4,280	4,610
	Women	8,045	9,025	7,685	7,670	8,350	9,195
Offers	Men	2,590	2,810	2,415	2,810	3,175	3,675
	Women	5,030	5,385	5,065	5,645	6,360	7,310
Offer rate	Men	59.0%	54.5%	57.0%	70.7%	74.3%	79.8%
	Women	62.6%	59.7%	65.9%	73.6%	76.2%	79.5%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,320	1,545	1,395	1,295	1,500	1,610
	Quintile 2	2,020	2,260	1,805	1,890	1,985	2,245
	Quintile 3	2,250	2,610	2,270	2,165	2,370	2,515
	Quintile 4	2,880	3,210	2,720	2,790	2,875	3,200
	Quintile 5	3,160	3,765	3,035	2,915	3,245	3,565
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	215	230	220	195	235	280
	Quintile 2	355	355	290	335	320	390
	Quintile 3	385	330	330	345	390	415
	Quintile 4	450	485	405	425	415	530
	Quintile 5	470	530	435	390	480	590
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	235	230	245	215	250	305
	Quintile 2	375	360	315	365	350	415
	Quintile 3	420	335	365	375	415	450
	Quintile 4	480	490	440	460	455	575
	Quintile 5	515	535	465	420	535	640

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,445	1,670	1,505	1,385	1,590	1,710
	Quintile 2	2,190	2,405	1,925	1,990	2,100	2,365
	Quintile 3	2,400	2,760	2,410	2,275	2,520	2,635
	Quintile 4	3,040	3,385	2,875	2,925	2,985	3,335
	Quintile 5	3,310	3,930	3,165	3,045	3,390	3,705
Offers	Quintile 1	790	850	865	920	1,130	1,305
	Quintile 2	1,300	1,335	1,165	1,415	1,535	1,825
	Quintile 3	1,435	1,545	1,470	1,625	1,885	2,095
	Quintile 4	1,915	2,020	1,860	2,165	2,285	2,650
	Quintile 5	2,150	2,425	2,100	2,305	2,675	3,080
Offer rate	Quintile 1	54.7%	50.7%	57.5%	66.4%	71.1%	76.2%
	Quintile 2	59.4%	55.6%	60.5%	71.1%	73.1%	77.1%
	Quintile 3	59.9%	56.1%	61.0%	71.6%	74.8%	79.6%
	Quintile 4	63.0%	59.7%	64.7%	74.1%	76.5%	79.4%
	Quintile 5	64.9%	61.7%	66.3%	75.6%	78.9%	83.1%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	230	300	305	295	375	345
	Black	235	350	270	295	290	345
	Mixed	360	415	370	385	425	490
	White	10,740	12,230	10,210	9,990	10,825	11,870
	Other	40	60	50	65	60	75
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	25	25	30	35	30	40
	Black	30	25	20	25	40	35
	Mixed	55	50	50	50	60	70
	White	1,760	1,825	1,570	1,560	1,690	2,050
	Other	5	5	10	10	15	10
All placed applicants	Asian	30	25	40	40	30	45
	Black	30	25	25	35	45	45
	Mixed	65	50	60	55	65	80
	White	1,890	1,845	1,700	1,690	1,840	2,200
	Other	5	5	10	10	15	10

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	240	310	315	300	390	360
	Black	250	365	280	305	295	350
	Mixed	380	435	390	400	445	505
	White	11,450	12,935	10,830	10,520	11,395	12,450
	Other	45	65	50	65	60	80
Offers	Asian	130	165	185	230	290	305
	Black	125	130	135	190	195	260
	Mixed	215	240	215	270	305	385
	White	7,080	7,595	6,880	7,680	8,670	9,945
	Other	20	30	35	45	45	60
Offer rate	Asian	55.0%	52.6%	58.5%	75.8%	75.1%	84.4%
	Black	49.6%	35.7%	48.7%	62.8%	66.0%	75.3%
	Mixed	57.0%	54.8%	55.4%	67.2%	69.3%	76.6%
	White	61.9%	58.7%	63.5%	73.0%	76.1%	79.9%
	Other	43.2%	47.6%	65.4%	68.2%	74.2%	73.4%

Technical Notes and Definitions

UCAS undergraduate scheme

Adjustment

Adjustment allows applicants who have met and exceeded the terms of their conditional firm offer to seek and find a place at another provider whilst keeping their place at their original firm choice provider.

Clearing

Clearing is a route for applicants that are not placed and holding no offers to find a place on courses with vacancies.

Cycle year

The UCAS application cycle which runs from September to October the following year. For example the 2015 cycle runs from September 2014 through to October 2015.

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.

POLAR3 quintile

Developed by HEFCE, POLAR3 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). POLAR3 is based on the participation rates of young people between 2005 and 2009 who entered Higher Education between 2005-06 and 2010-11, 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 POLAR3 quintile are not reported.

Sex

Sex as declared by the applicant.

SIMD quintile

Scottish index of multiple deprivation (SIMD) for 2012 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 2015 End of Cycle Report and the 2016 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 POLAR3 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 POLAR3 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.

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.