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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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	4,470	4,635	3,745	4,020	4,345	4,355
Placed June deadline applicants	1,000	1,050	785	920	1,110	1,010
All placed applicants	1,205	1,280	1,050	1,130	1,355	1,230
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	56.6	60.2	48.4	52.8	57.7	56.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	12.6	13.6	10.1	12.1	14.7	13.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	15.3	16.6	13.6	14.8	18.0	16.0

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	5,080	5,230	4,160	4,470	4,870	4,885
Offers	3,585	3,690	2,915	3,700	4,120	4,095
Offer rate	70.6%	70.5%	70.1%	82.8%	84.6%	83.8%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	1,890	2,030	1,485	1,660	1,990	1,995
	Women	2,580	2,605	2,260	2,360	2,355	2,360
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	430	450	325	400	560	460
	Women	570	600	460	520	550	550
All placed applicants	Men	515	540	440	480	655	550
	Women	690	735	610	650	695	680
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	47.1	51.6	37.5	42.5	51.4	50.8
	Women	66.6	69.1	60.0	63.7	64.4	63.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	10.7	11.4	8.2	10.2	14.4	11.7
	Women	14.6	15.9	12.2	14.1	15.1	14.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	12.9	13.8	11.1	12.3	17.0	14.0
	Women	17.8	19.5	16.2	17.5	19.0	18.2

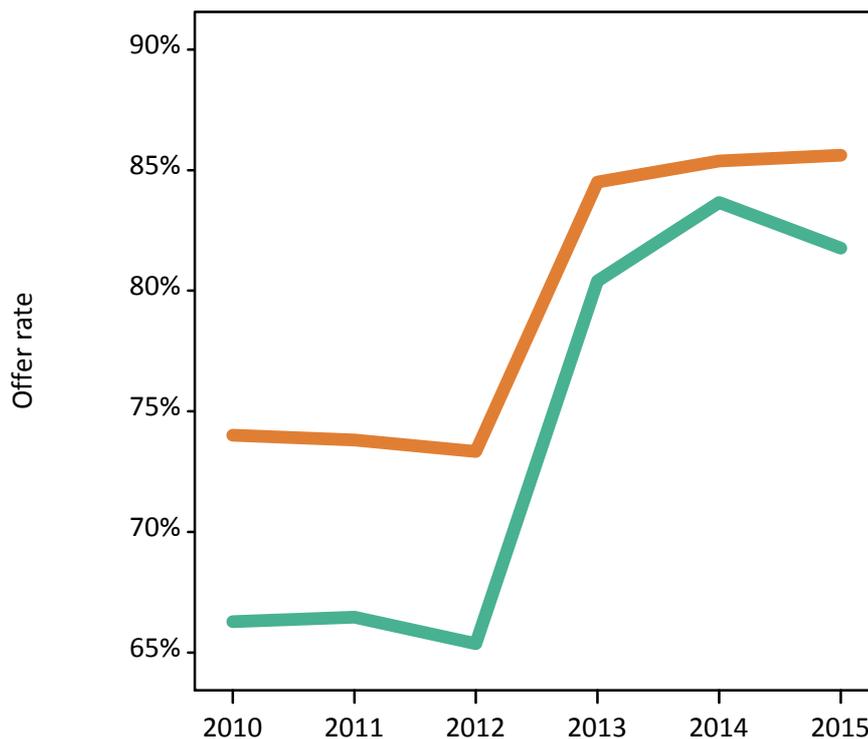
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	2,225	2,340	1,710	1,905	2,325	2,300
	Women	2,850	2,890	2,450	2,570	2,545	2,585
Offers	Men	1,475	1,555	1,115	1,530	1,945	1,880
	Women	2,110	2,135	1,795	2,170	2,170	2,215
Offer rate	Men	66.3%	66.5%	65.4%	80.4%	83.7%	81.8%
	Women	74.0%	73.8%	73.3%	84.5%	85.4%	85.6%
Average offer rate	Men	67.5%	67.7%	67.0%	82.0%	84.5%	83.0%
	Women	73.0%	72.8%	72.2%	83.4%	84.6%	84.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-1.2	-1.3	-1.7	-1.6	-0.8	-1.2
	Women	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.1	0.7	1.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.612	0.611	0.613	0.622	0.666	0.655
	Women	0.697	0.685	0.730	0.720	0.695	0.693

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.

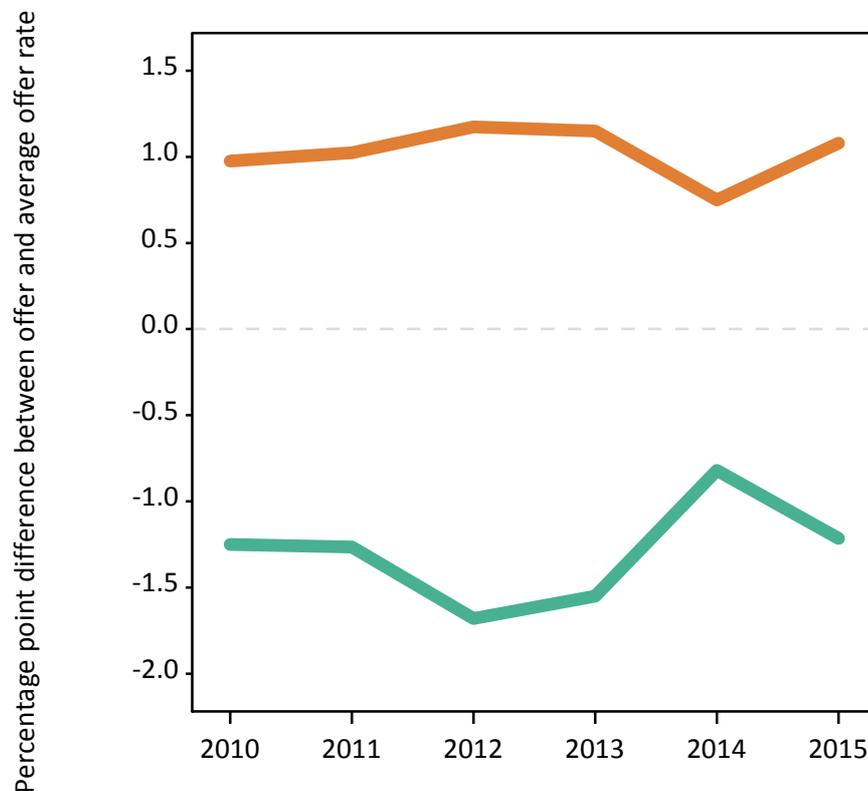
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 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	610	620	515	535	665	685
	Quintile 2	860	935	745	830	855	895
	Quintile 3	920	925	730	815	880	860
	Quintile 4	995	1,075	870	885	955	945
	Quintile 5	1,080	1,065	875	950	980	965
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	135	145	110	135	170	175
	Quintile 2	215	205	150	205	240	230
	Quintile 3	205	210	165	170	240	190
	Quintile 4	200	250	175	200	245	200
	Quintile 5	240	240	180	205	210	215
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	150	165	145	170	205	205
	Quintile 2	255	245	195	235	280	265
	Quintile 3	235	255	210	210	285	230
	Quintile 4	265	305	230	240	300	255
	Quintile 5	305	305	265	265	280	270
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	41.1	43.2	36.2	38.5	47.8	49.0
	Quintile 2	56.0	62.3	49.8	56.2	58.4	60.3
	Quintile 3	57.9	60.0	47.3	53.4	58.3	56.0
	Quintile 4	62.5	68.7	55.0	56.5	62.0	60.3
	Quintile 5	63.6	64.4	52.1	57.4	60.2	57.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	9.0	10.1	7.6	9.8	12.1	12.6
	Quintile 2	13.9	13.6	10.1	13.8	16.3	15.5
	Quintile 3	13.0	13.6	10.7	11.1	16.0	12.3
	Quintile 4	12.6	15.9	11.0	12.9	16.0	12.9
	Quintile 5	14.2	14.4	10.8	12.5	13.0	12.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	10.1	11.6	10.3	12.2	14.7	14.6
	Quintile 2	16.5	16.4	13.1	16.1	19.3	17.9
	Quintile 3	14.7	16.6	13.5	13.6	19.1	15.1
	Quintile 4	16.5	19.3	14.4	15.4	19.3	16.2
	Quintile 5	17.9	18.3	15.9	16.1	17.0	16.2

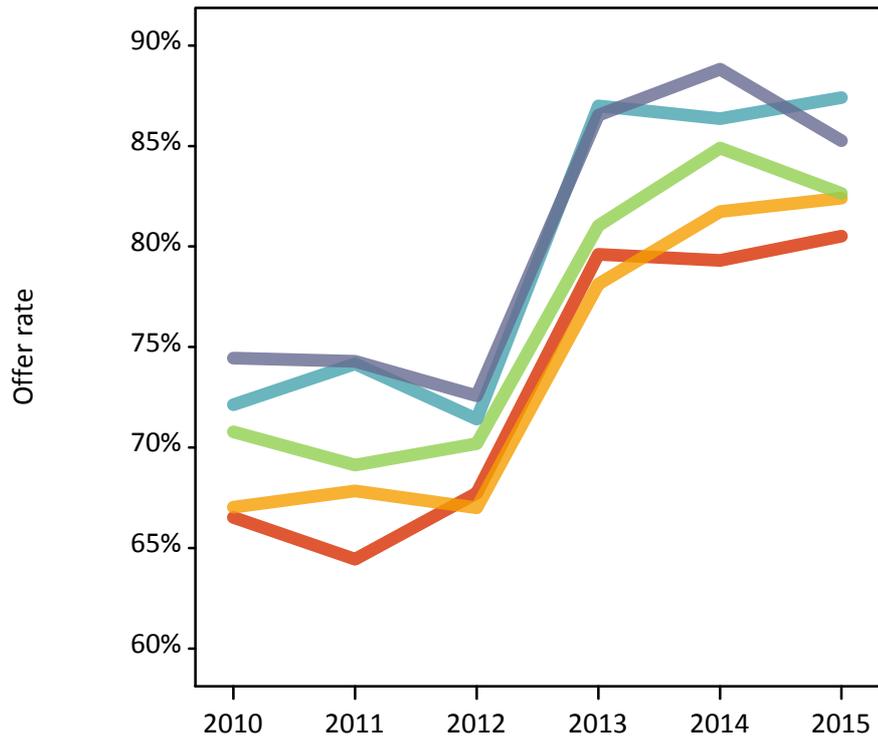
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	710	735	595	615	780	810
	Quintile 2	1,010	1,080	820	955	980	1,025
	Quintile 3	1,045	1,045	810	905	980	945
	Quintile 4	1,105	1,195	955	960	1,055	1,035
	Quintile 5	1,195	1,170	970	1,025	1,065	1,065
Offers	Quintile 1	475	475	405	490	615	655
	Quintile 2	675	730	550	745	800	845
	Quintile 3	740	720	570	735	830	780
	Quintile 4	795	885	680	835	910	905
	Quintile 5	890	870	705	885	945	910
Offer rate	Quintile 1	66.5%	64.4%	67.7%	79.6%	79.3%	80.5%
	Quintile 2	67.0%	67.8%	67.0%	78.1%	81.7%	82.4%
	Quintile 3	70.8%	69.1%	70.2%	81.0%	84.9%	82.6%
	Quintile 4	72.1%	74.2%	71.4%	87.0%	86.4%	87.4%
	Quintile 5	74.5%	74.3%	72.6%	86.5%	88.8%	85.3%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	68.1%	68.2%	69.0%	80.3%	82.9%	82.6%
	Quintile 2	69.0%	68.7%	68.7%	81.0%	82.6%	83.3%
	Quintile 3	68.8%	69.0%	69.7%	81.8%	84.5%	82.2%
	Quintile 4	71.6%	71.5%	70.6%	84.4%	85.3%	85.6%
	Quintile 5	74.0%	73.9%	71.5%	85.2%	86.8%	85.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-1.6	-3.8	-1.3	-0.7	-3.6	-2.1
	Quintile 2	-2.0	-0.8	-1.7	-2.8	-0.9	-0.9
	Quintile 3	2.0	0.1	0.4	-0.7	0.4	0.5
	Quintile 4	0.5	2.6	0.9	2.6	1.0	1.9
	Quintile 5	0.5	0.4	1.1	1.3	2.0	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.239	0.223	0.227	0.230	0.243	0.252
	Quintile 2	0.276	0.290	0.284	0.300	0.280	0.275
	Quintile 3	0.285	0.269	0.275	0.274	0.274	0.263
	Quintile 4	0.291	0.297	0.308	0.294	0.297	0.286
	Quintile 5	0.323	0.311	0.332	0.326	0.320	0.314

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.

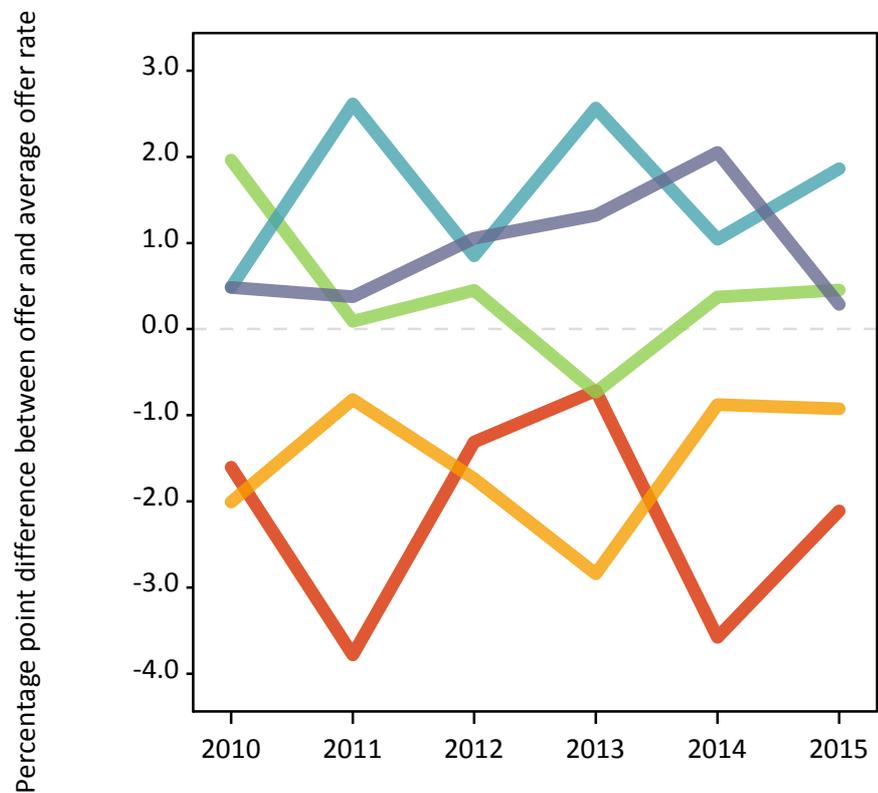
- Quintile 1
- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



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	85	100	110	105	175	170
	Black	40	40	40	45	65	90
	Mixed	85	105	65	90	115	110
	White	4,245	4,375	3,510	3,765	3,960	3,950
	Other	10	10	10	10	25	25
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	15	15	20	30	35	40
	Black	5	5	10	10	10	10
	Mixed	25	25	10	15	30	30
	White	945	1,000	740	860	1,025	920
	Other	5	0	0	0	5	5
All placed applicants	Asian	20	25	35	40	50	65
	Black	15	15	25	20	20	20
	Mixed	30	30	20	25	35	40
	White	1,135	1,205	955	1,030	1,240	1,095
	Other	5	0	5	0	10	10
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	13.7	15.9	17.1	15.8	25.7	24.0
	Black	15.7	15.0	14.9	14.8	22.1	28.0
	Mixed	37.1	42.5	25.0	34.0	40.7	36.3
	White	63.3	67.6	54.4	59.9	64.2	63.4
	Other	11.7	9.9	13.6	9.9	26.9	26.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	2.4	2.5	2.9	4.5	5.3	5.9
	Black	2.7	2.6	3.2	3.4	4.0	3.8
	Mixed	9.9	9.9	3.8	6.3	10.4	9.1
	White	14.1	15.4	11.5	13.7	16.6	14.8
	Other	6.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.4	7.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	3.6	4.0	5.7	6.1	7.1	8.9
	Black	5.3	4.8	9.2	6.1	5.9	6.9
	Mixed	12.9	13.2	7.7	8.9	12.9	12.3
	White	16.9	18.6	14.8	16.4	20.1	17.6
	Other	9.1	0.0	3.4	0.0	9.7	8.3

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	95	110	120	115	190	190
	Black	45	45	45	50	75	95
	Mixed	95	110	75	100	130	120
	White	4,825	4,950	3,905	4,200	4,440	4,430
	Other	15	10	10	10	30	30
Offers	Asian	70	80	90	95	165	155
	Black	35	30	25	35	55	75
	Mixed	65	75	50	80	105	105
	White	3,400	3,490	2,730	3,480	3,765	3,730
	Other	10	5	5	10	20	20
Offer rate	Asian	74.7%	70.5%	77.3%	81.7%	85.4%	81.8%
	Black	79.5%	67.4%	61.4%	70.8%	77.0%	78.4%
	Mixed	68.4%	71.3%	69.9%	80.8%	81.1%	84.4%
	White	70.5%	70.5%	69.9%	82.9%	84.8%	84.2%
	Other	100.0%	N/A	58.3%	N/A	75.0%	68.8%
Average offer rate	Asian	80.7%	80.9%	75.3%	88.3%	87.9%	84.4%
	Black	74.0%	68.2%	71.5%	79.1%	86.4%	83.3%
	Mixed	68.2%	72.3%	66.0%	82.6%	84.5%	84.9%
	White	70.4%	70.3%	69.9%	82.6%	84.4%	83.8%
	Other	83.6%	N/A	70.5%	N/A	85.0%	87.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-5.9	-10.4	2.0	-6.5	-2.5	-2.6
	Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-9.3	-5.0
	Mixed	0.2	-1.0	3.9	-1.8	-3.5	-0.5
	White	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.4
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.209	0.218	0.214	0.233	0.235	0.230
	Black	0.132	0.131	0.108	0.137	0.151	0.151
	Mixed	0.103	0.101	0.128	0.134	0.120	0.096
	White	0.957	0.954	0.949	0.949	0.928	0.924
	Other	0.105	N/A	0.104	N/A	0.116	0.149

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	8,470	8,770	7,230	7,710	8,420	8,225
Placed June deadline applicants	1,965	1,965	1,600	1,910	2,280	2,045
All placed applicants	2,525	2,415	2,495	2,740	2,920	2,635

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	9,735	10,035	8,185	8,705	9,625	9,335
Offers	6,160	6,310	5,225	6,635	7,535	7,235
Offer rate	63.3%	62.9%	63.8%	76.2%	78.3%	77.5%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	3,585	3,885	2,955	3,280	3,840	3,790
	Women	4,885	4,885	4,275	4,430	4,575	4,440
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	820	815	645	835	1,085	895
	Women	1,145	1,150	955	1,075	1,195	1,150
All placed applicants	Men	1,065	995	1,080	1,220	1,365	1,175
	Women	1,455	1,425	1,420	1,520	1,555	1,460

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	4,255	4,540	3,445	3,775	4,545	4,395
	Women	5,475	5,495	4,740	4,930	5,080	4,940
Offers	Men	2,560	2,725	2,055	2,850	3,565	3,360
	Women	3,595	3,585	3,170	3,785	3,970	3,875
Offer rate	Men	60.2%	60.0%	59.7%	75.5%	78.5%	76.5%
	Women	65.7%	65.3%	66.8%	76.7%	78.2%	78.4%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,295	1,330	1,200	1,210	1,420	1,430
	Quintile 2	1,660	1,790	1,455	1,600	1,675	1,675
	Quintile 3	1,675	1,710	1,375	1,510	1,630	1,600
	Quintile 4	1,825	1,920	1,605	1,650	1,800	1,720
	Quintile 5	1,995	2,000	1,580	1,720	1,875	1,780
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	310	305	275	310	380	375
	Quintile 2	405	365	330	420	450	435
	Quintile 3	370	390	300	335	465	380
	Quintile 4	405	450	340	410	485	415
	Quintile 5	470	445	345	430	495	435
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	375	375	435	450	495	485
	Quintile 2	515	440	470	540	560	535
	Quintile 3	470	480	435	465	585	495
	Quintile 4	530	550	490	530	605	540
	Quintile 5	620	565	580	665	660	575

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,550	1,610	1,415	1,430	1,670	1,710
	Quintile 2	1,975	2,095	1,640	1,850	1,950	1,920
	Quintile 3	1,910	1,945	1,540	1,690	1,850	1,800
	Quintile 4	2,040	2,155	1,795	1,845	2,050	1,895
	Quintile 5	2,240	2,215	1,770	1,880	2,085	1,985
Offers	Quintile 1	905	910	850	1,010	1,230	1,225
	Quintile 2	1,175	1,245	1,010	1,365	1,445	1,480
	Quintile 3	1,225	1,210	975	1,255	1,475	1,380
	Quintile 4	1,315	1,430	1,180	1,460	1,640	1,545
	Quintile 5	1,525	1,500	1,195	1,530	1,730	1,590
Offer rate	Quintile 1	58.2%	56.7%	60.1%	70.7%	73.7%	71.6%
	Quintile 2	59.6%	59.4%	61.4%	74.0%	74.0%	77.1%
	Quintile 3	64.2%	62.2%	63.4%	74.3%	79.8%	76.7%
	Quintile 4	64.4%	66.4%	65.6%	79.1%	79.9%	81.6%
	Quintile 5	68.1%	67.9%	67.6%	81.4%	83.1%	80.0%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	225	275	280	275	380	400
	Black	185	200	205	215	245	265
	Mixed	210	245	170	205	240	255
	White	7,785	7,995	6,505	6,950	7,450	7,200
	Other	35	30	50	45	75	75
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	45	50	60	70	85	85
	Black	25	35	50	35	45	45
	Mixed	50	50	25	45	65	65
	White	1,830	1,820	1,445	1,745	2,055	1,830
	Other	10	5	10	10	20	15
All placed applicants	Asian	85	70	125	110	140	140
	Black	60	50	120	90	90	90
	Mixed	70	70	60	65	90	90
	White	2,270	2,205	1,965	2,245	2,535	2,275
	Other	15	10	25	15	40	20

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	255	325	325	315	440	455
	Black	225	225	245	250	275	295
	Mixed	245	265	200	225	285	290
	White	8,930	9,155	7,345	7,830	8,500	8,170
	Other	50	30	50	55	95	90
Offers	Asian	165	205	220	245	335	355
	Black	105	115	125	120	175	175
	Mixed	140	165	115	160	210	220
	White	5,705	5,785	4,715	6,055	6,720	6,405
	Other	20	20	30	40	70	55
Offer rate	Asian	65.6%	62.7%	67.8%	77.0%	76.0%	77.7%
	Black	48.0%	51.3%	50.6%	47.4%	64.1%	59.6%
	Mixed	57.6%	61.8%	59.1%	71.6%	74.6%	75.7%
	White	63.9%	63.2%	64.2%	77.3%	79.1%	78.4%
	Other	39.6%	62.5%	62.0%	74.1%	70.8%	64.8%

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.