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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	7,780	5,990	5,515	7,215	9,015	9,745
Placed June deadline applicants	1,530	1,145	1,165	1,645	1,855	2,000
All placed applicants	1,905	1,845	1,590	2,020	2,350	2,435
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	98.6	77.8	71.3	94.8	119.7	127.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	19.4	14.9	15.0	21.6	24.7	26.1
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	24.1	23.9	20.5	26.5	31.2	31.8

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	8,580	6,565	5,985	7,725	9,730	10,425
Offers	7,540	5,420	5,170	6,970	8,735	9,400
Offer rate	87.9%	82.6%	86.4%	90.3%	89.8%	90.2%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	3,750	2,800	2,620	3,750	4,920	5,255
	Women	4,030	3,185	2,895	3,465	4,095	4,485
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	750	585	595	915	1,045	1,175
	Women	785	560	570	730	815	825
All placed applicants	Men	950	965	855	1,135	1,345	1,435
	Women	955	880	735	885	1,005	1,000
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	93.4	71.2	66.1	96.0	127.1	134.0
	Women	103.9	84.6	76.8	93.5	111.9	120.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	18.6	14.9	15.0	23.5	27.0	29.9
	Women	20.2	14.9	15.1	19.7	22.2	22.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	23.6	24.5	21.6	29.1	34.7	36.6
	Women	24.6	23.4	19.5	23.9	27.5	26.7

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	4,145	3,090	2,830	4,040	5,325	5,640
	Women	4,435	3,475	3,155	3,685	4,405	4,785
Offers	Men	3,880	2,815	2,675	3,900	5,100	5,405
	Women	3,660	2,610	2,495	3,070	3,635	3,995
Offer rate	Men	93.6%	91.0%	94.5%	96.6%	95.8%	95.8%
	Women	82.6%	75.0%	79.1%	83.3%	82.6%	83.5%
Average offer rate	Men	93.8%	91.3%	94.5%	96.6%	95.6%	95.9%
	Women	82.4%	74.8%	79.0%	83.3%	82.8%	83.4%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.0	0.2	-0.1
	Women	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.670	0.677	0.684	0.705	0.716	0.704
	Women	0.691	0.713	0.717	0.677	0.656	0.651

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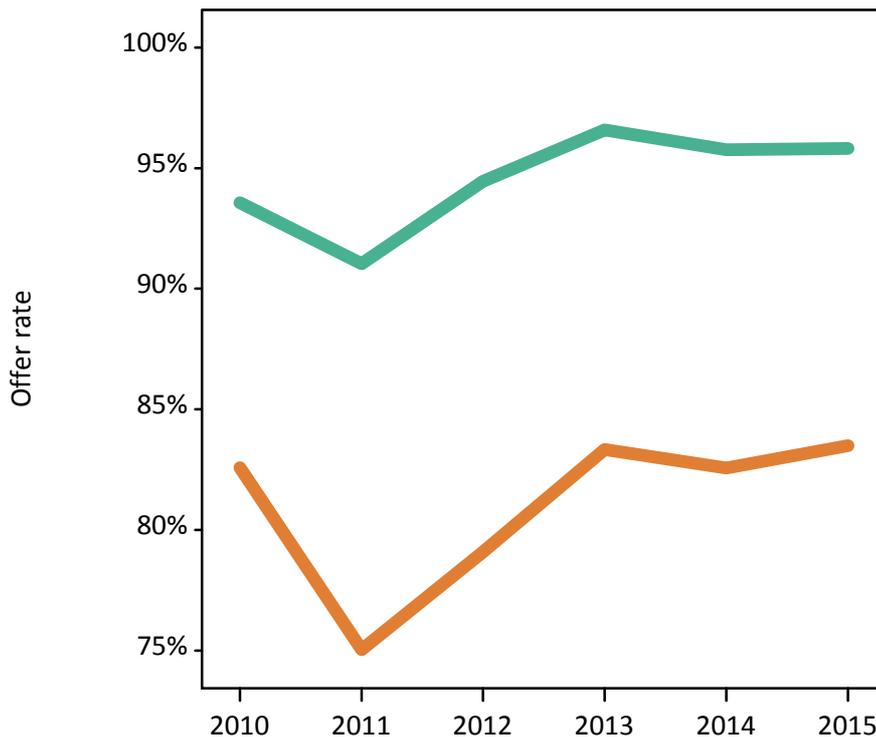
P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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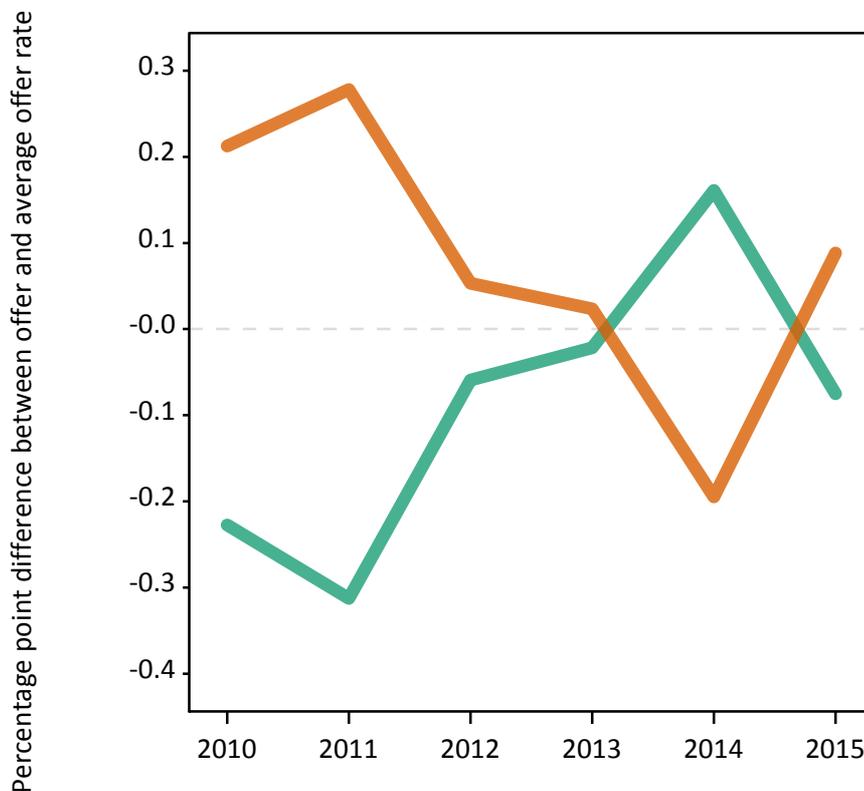
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P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	850	645	585	745	975	1,070
	Quintile 2	1,420	1,095	1,045	1,270	1,515	1,630
	Quintile 3	1,425	1,070	990	1,325	1,690	1,770
	Quintile 4	1,865	1,420	1,250	1,675	2,095	2,340
	Quintile 5	2,210	1,745	1,635	2,195	2,735	2,920
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	140	135	130	170	210	230
	Quintile 2	300	240	255	305	360	390
	Quintile 3	275	185	200	290	360	330
	Quintile 4	395	275	260	390	395	470
	Quintile 5	420	315	315	490	525	580
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	165	170	165	200	250	260
	Quintile 2	340	310	305	355	425	450
	Quintile 3	350	280	280	350	455	400
	Quintile 4	485	470	355	495	500	575
	Quintile 5	560	610	475	620	715	745
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	57.3	44.9	41.1	53.5	70.0	76.2
	Quintile 2	92.3	72.9	69.6	86.1	103.6	109.6
	Quintile 3	89.6	69.5	64.2	87.0	112.2	115.1
	Quintile 4	117.0	90.7	78.9	107.1	135.8	149.5
	Quintile 5	130.5	105.4	97.3	132.8	167.8	174.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	9.3	9.3	9.3	12.3	15.2	16.3
	Quintile 2	19.5	15.9	16.9	20.6	24.6	26.1
	Quintile 3	17.3	12.0	13.1	19.0	23.9	21.4
	Quintile 4	24.7	17.4	16.4	24.9	25.8	29.9
	Quintile 5	24.9	18.9	18.7	29.8	32.3	34.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	11.1	12.0	11.7	14.5	17.9	18.5
	Quintile 2	22.2	20.6	20.5	24.2	29.0	30.4
	Quintile 3	21.9	18.1	18.3	22.8	30.2	26.0
	Quintile 4	30.6	30.1	22.4	31.6	32.6	36.6
	Quintile 5	33.1	36.8	28.4	37.4	43.9	44.4

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	960	725	660	810	1,090	1,160
	Quintile 2	1,645	1,245	1,165	1,385	1,720	1,825
	Quintile 3	1,560	1,170	1,085	1,425	1,825	1,875
	Quintile 4	2,040	1,550	1,335	1,790	2,220	2,505
	Quintile 5	2,360	1,865	1,735	2,310	2,870	3,035
Offers	Quintile 1	780	540	525	680	920	1,000
	Quintile 2	1,410	1,000	955	1,190	1,490	1,575
	Quintile 3	1,355	940	935	1,280	1,625	1,660
	Quintile 4	1,825	1,300	1,175	1,635	2,015	2,295
	Quintile 5	2,160	1,630	1,570	2,180	2,680	2,850
Offer rate	Quintile 1	81.1%	74.3%	79.8%	84.1%	84.3%	86.2%
	Quintile 2	85.6%	80.4%	81.8%	85.8%	86.6%	86.3%
	Quintile 3	87.0%	80.7%	86.1%	90.0%	89.1%	88.4%
	Quintile 4	89.4%	83.9%	88.2%	91.5%	90.7%	91.7%
	Quintile 5	91.5%	87.3%	90.5%	94.3%	93.5%	93.8%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	83.0%	75.7%	80.0%	84.4%	85.8%	86.6%
	Quintile 2	85.8%	80.3%	82.2%	85.9%	86.1%	86.7%
	Quintile 3	86.6%	81.0%	86.4%	90.4%	89.3%	88.2%
	Quintile 4	88.7%	83.3%	87.8%	91.3%	90.9%	91.8%
	Quintile 5	91.4%	87.1%	90.4%	94.0%	93.0%	93.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-1.9	-1.3	-0.2	-0.3	-1.5	-0.4
	Quintile 2	-0.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.1	0.5	-0.3
	Quintile 3	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.2	0.2
	Quintile 4	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.1
	Quintile 5	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.220	0.241	0.242	0.219	0.216	0.205
	Quintile 2	0.284	0.302	0.297	0.276	0.261	0.257
	Quintile 3	0.262	0.283	0.294	0.276	0.266	0.250
	Quintile 4	0.316	0.340	0.323	0.315	0.300	0.307
	Quintile 5	0.363	0.394	0.396	0.392	0.378	0.368

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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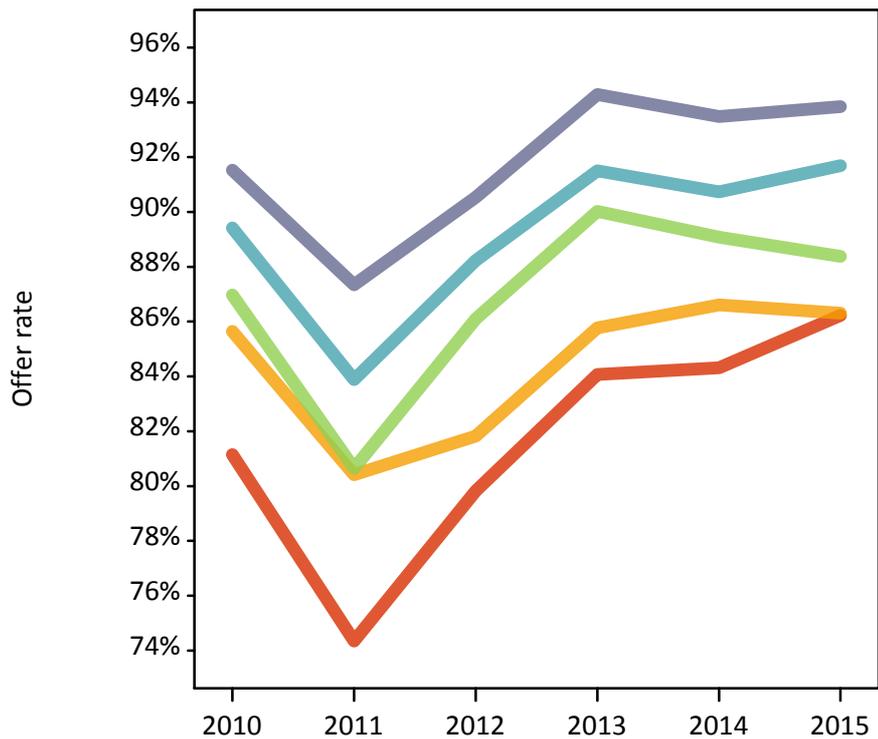
P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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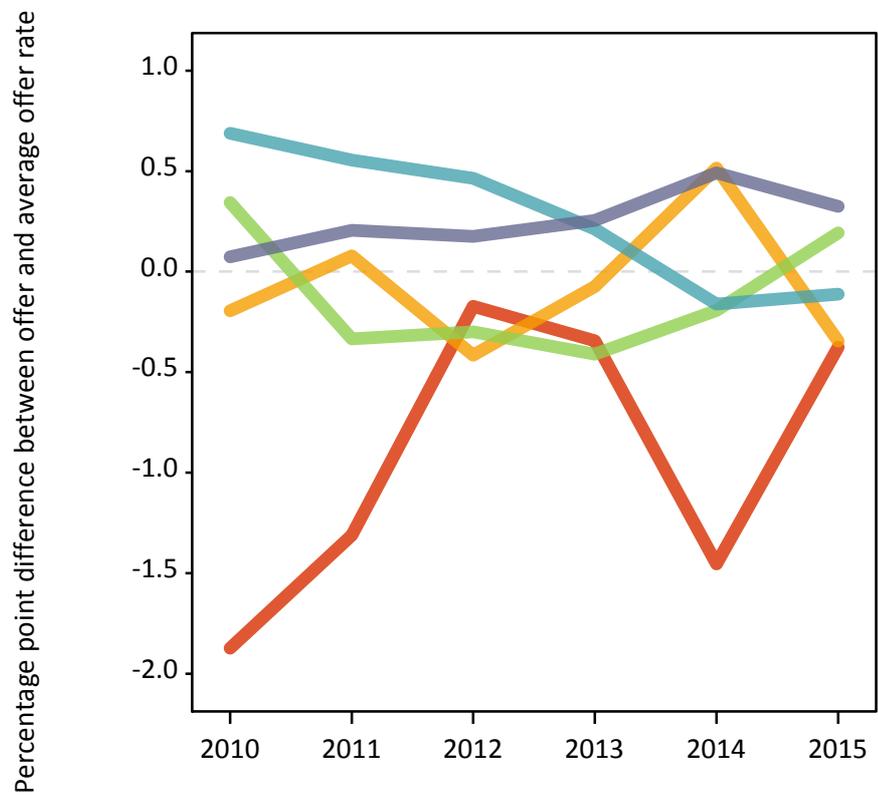

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P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	180	185	140	245	480	505
	Black	85	35	50	135	225	230
	Mixed	160	110	105	165	255	335
	White	7,310	5,610	5,175	6,625	7,950	8,555
	Other	20	15	25	30	75	70
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	20	20	15	40	70	65
	Black	10	5	5	25	35	30
	Mixed	25	10	20	35	40	75
	White	1,470	1,105	1,115	1,535	1,695	1,815
	Other	0	0	5	10	10	5
All placed applicants	Asian	50	65	45	80	115	105
	Black	20	35	30	45	65	55
	Mixed	35	40	35	55	60	90
	White	1,790	1,685	1,455	1,820	2,080	2,165
	Other	0	5	10	15	15	10
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	29.4	29.5	21.8	37.0	70.8	71.5
	Black	32.9	13.2	18.5	45.1	74.2	72.0
	Mixed	69.9	45.4	40.3	60.3	89.0	108.7
	White	109.0	86.7	80.1	105.3	128.8	137.3
	Other	27.3	21.0	30.5	33.1	82.7	72.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	3.6	3.3	2.5	5.9	10.3	9.0
	Black	3.8	1.1	2.1	8.4	10.9	10.1
	Mixed	11.2	4.5	6.9	12.9	13.6	24.0
	White	21.9	17.1	17.3	24.4	27.5	29.2
	Other	0.0	0.0	6.8	9.9	10.7	5.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	7.9	10.3	7.3	11.8	17.3	14.6
	Black	7.6	12.4	10.3	14.8	21.8	17.6
	Mixed	15.5	16.5	13.4	20.0	20.5	28.9
	White	26.7	26.0	22.5	28.9	33.7	34.7
	Other	0.0	7.4	11.3	14.3	17.2	9.3

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	195	200	150	260	500	535
	Black	90	35	55	140	230	235
	Mixed	180	110	110	170	260	350
	White	8,075	6,165	5,625	7,105	8,625	9,185
	Other	20	20	30	30	80	70
Offers	Asian	165	135	130	215	440	460
	Black	70	25	40	120	215	205
	Mixed	160	90	100	145	230	325
	White	7,105	5,125	4,855	6,440	7,755	8,295
	Other	20	15	25	30	65	65
Offer rate	Asian	85.0%	68.8%	86.0%	82.8%	88.0%	86.7%
	Black	80.0%	66.7%	79.2%	86.2%	92.6%	86.4%
	Mixed	88.3%	82.1%	91.8%	87.5%	89.2%	93.2%
	White	88.0%	83.1%	86.3%	90.6%	89.9%	90.3%
	Other	*100.0%*	*100.0%*	*100.0%*	*100.0%*	81.7%	92.9%
Average offer rate	Asian	85.2%	73.4%	85.9%	84.3%	89.1%	88.1%
	Black	83.9%	68.3%	83.7%	88.0%	91.6%	88.4%
	Mixed	89.9%	83.1%	88.9%	90.3%	90.3%	93.6%
	White	87.9%	82.9%	86.3%	90.5%	89.8%	90.2%
	Other	93.1%	83.9%	93.0%	93.1%	88.0%	93.7%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-0.3	-4.6	0.1	-1.5	-1.1	-1.4
	Black	-3.9	N/A	-4.4	-1.8	1.0	-1.9
	Mixed	-1.6	-0.9	2.9	-2.8	-1.1	-0.5
	White	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-6.2	-0.8
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.166	0.221	0.190	0.219	0.189	0.173
	Black	0.234	0.189	0.231	0.187	0.157	0.167
	Mixed	0.137	0.148	0.181	0.131	0.102	0.119
	White	0.951	0.951	0.951	0.934	0.904	0.897
	Other	0.111	0.202	0.175	0.128	0.137	0.104

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.

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

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P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	12,235	10,590	9,745	12,085	14,850	16,235
Placed June deadline applicants	2,460	1,900	1,855	2,650	2,960	3,200
All placed applicants	3,035	2,865	2,520	3,295	3,740	3,935

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	13,650	11,890	10,870	13,210	16,210	17,565
Offers	10,295	7,670	7,210	9,835	12,250	13,350
Offer rate	75.4%	64.5%	66.3%	74.4%	75.6%	76.0%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	5,700	4,640	4,275	5,920	7,645	8,305
	Women	6,535	5,955	5,475	6,165	7,205	7,930
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,170	900	905	1,435	1,585	1,780
	Women	1,290	1,000	950	1,215	1,375	1,420
All placed applicants	Men	1,475	1,420	1,310	1,815	2,050	2,200
	Women	1,560	1,445	1,215	1,480	1,690	1,735

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	6,370	5,195	4,695	6,470	8,330	8,960
	Women	7,280	6,695	6,175	6,740	7,880	8,605
Offers	Men	5,305	3,985	3,775	5,610	7,150	7,730
	Women	4,990	3,685	3,440	4,220	5,105	5,620
Offer rate	Men	83.3%	76.7%	80.3%	86.7%	85.8%	86.3%
	Women	68.6%	55.0%	55.7%	62.6%	64.8%	65.3%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,465	1,335	1,255	1,515	1,895	1,965
	Quintile 2	2,400	2,120	1,980	2,340	2,700	3,000
	Quintile 3	2,215	1,910	1,715	2,185	2,750	2,955
	Quintile 4	2,820	2,400	2,165	2,675	3,330	3,695
	Quintile 5	3,315	2,800	2,615	3,360	4,150	4,580
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	265	235	225	310	360	370
	Quintile 2	500	435	415	535	585	660
	Quintile 3	430	310	315	460	560	535
	Quintile 4	600	435	415	590	655	720
	Quintile 5	660	480	480	745	795	905
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	310	305	295	375	430	450
	Quintile 2	590	555	530	645	710	785
	Quintile 3	535	445	435	565	695	650
	Quintile 4	730	705	550	760	815	885
	Quintile 5	860	845	705	945	1,080	1,155

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,670	1,525	1,440	1,685	2,120	2,190
	Quintile 2	2,800	2,495	2,300	2,645	3,080	3,385
	Quintile 3	2,445	2,110	1,905	2,380	3,015	3,170
	Quintile 4	3,110	2,685	2,365	2,910	3,575	3,985
	Quintile 5	3,590	3,045	2,845	3,575	4,395	4,805
Offers	Quintile 1	1,140	850	825	1,085	1,425	1,495
	Quintile 2	1,960	1,520	1,385	1,810	2,195	2,375
	Quintile 3	1,820	1,325	1,250	1,760	2,260	2,370
	Quintile 4	2,435	1,775	1,625	2,255	2,770	3,155
	Quintile 5	2,915	2,185	2,110	2,910	3,580	3,930
Offer rate	Quintile 1	68.3%	55.8%	57.4%	64.4%	67.2%	68.3%
	Quintile 2	70.0%	60.9%	60.2%	68.4%	71.3%	70.2%
	Quintile 3	74.4%	62.9%	65.7%	73.9%	75.0%	74.7%
	Quintile 4	78.3%	66.0%	68.7%	77.5%	77.4%	79.2%
	Quintile 5	81.2%	71.8%	74.2%	81.5%	81.5%	81.8%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	455	480	445	615	985	1,080
	Black	245	230	285	400	545	595
	Mixed	265	215	225	315	435	550
	White	11,140	9,535	8,650	10,600	12,635	13,735
	Other	60	60	95	95	170	160
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	50	45	45	85	125	135
	Black	30	20	30	55	65	70
	Mixed	45	30	30	55	60	110
	White	2,315	1,795	1,735	2,425	2,680	2,855
	Other	10	5	10	20	15	20
All placed applicants	Asian	100	105	100	160	200	200
	Black	55	65	75	90	120	115
	Mixed	55	65	55	80	95	135
	White	2,745	2,555	2,220	2,880	3,260	3,425
	Other	10	15	25	25	30	30

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	485	530	475	655	1,030	1,130
	Black	265	245	300	420	570	615
	Mixed	295	225	235	330	445	585
	White	12,470	10,745	9,700	11,640	13,895	14,950
	Other	65	65	105	100	185	170
Offers	Asian	300	245	250	390	700	745
	Black	135	85	110	220	370	335
	Mixed	225	150	165	240	335	470
	White	9,545	7,115	6,600	8,870	10,670	11,600
	Other	45	30	55	75	115	120
Offer rate	Asian	61.5%	46.0%	52.8%	59.5%	67.8%	66.1%
	Black	51.3%	34.8%	37.0%	52.9%	65.1%	54.8%
	Mixed	76.6%	67.3%	70.6%	72.3%	75.4%	81.0%
	White	76.5%	66.2%	68.1%	76.2%	76.8%	77.6%
	Other	68.8%	47.7%	50.5%	71.6%	63.6%	70.8%

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.