

## Higher tariff providers

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

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

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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	154,455	148,355	144,470	146,955	151,690	161,255
Placed June deadline applicants	64,845	62,125	64,415	67,695	68,410	71,955
All placed applicants	67,485	64,270	68,985	72,465	73,655	77,820
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	1,956.3	1,926.4	1,867.8	1,931.1	2,014.1	2,104.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	821.3	806.7	832.8	889.6	908.3	939.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	854.8	834.6	891.8	952.2	978.0	1,015.8

## P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	457,540	429,770	422,625	433,260	444,795	470,220
Offers	285,740	266,525	281,420	300,440	319,405	344,440
Offer rate	62.5%	62.0%	66.6%	69.3%	71.8%	73.3%

### P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	70,140	67,465	65,100	66,280	67,880	71,360
	Women	84,315	80,890	79,375	80,675	83,810	89,890
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	29,970	28,990	29,580	31,195	31,195	32,505
	Women	34,875	33,135	34,835	36,500	37,215	39,450
All placed applicants	Men	31,200	29,915	31,600	33,395	33,650	35,150
	Women	36,285	34,355	37,380	39,070	40,005	42,670
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	1,746.3	1,714.4	1,641.5	1,697.7	1,753.5	1,818.4
	Women	2,173.8	2,148.0	2,105.8	2,177.0	2,289.7	2,405.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	746.1	736.7	745.9	799.1	805.9	828.3
	Women	899.1	879.8	924.1	985.0	1,016.6	1,055.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	776.8	760.2	796.9	855.4	869.3	895.7
	Women	935.5	912.3	991.8	1,054.3	1,092.9	1,141.8

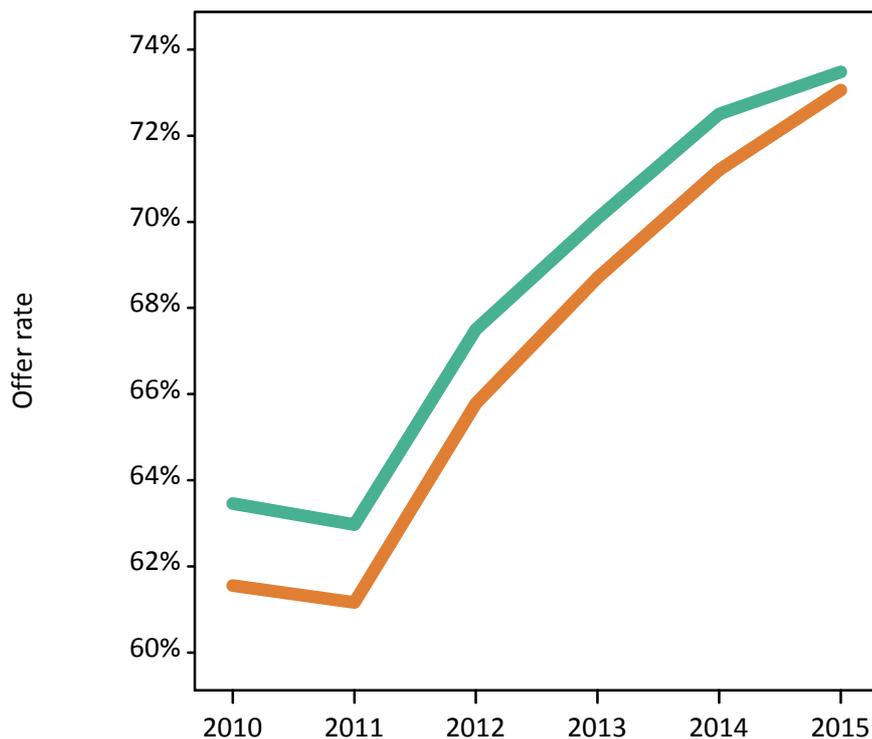
### P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	215,455	203,410	198,755	203,225	206,520	217,015
	Women	242,085	226,360	223,865	230,030	238,280	253,205
Offers	Men	136,730	128,090	134,155	142,410	149,730	159,460
	Women	149,010	138,435	147,260	158,025	169,675	184,980
Offer rate	Men	63.5%	63.0%	67.5%	70.1%	72.5%	73.5%
	Women	61.6%	61.2%	65.8%	68.7%	71.2%	73.1%
Average offer rate	Men	64.3%	63.7%	68.2%	70.8%	73.1%	74.1%
	Women	60.8%	60.5%	65.1%	68.1%	70.7%	72.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.8	-0.8	-0.7	-0.7	-0.6	-0.7
	Women	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.591	0.596	0.596	0.597	0.596	0.596
	Women	0.636	0.637	0.641	0.644	0.649	0.654

### 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.

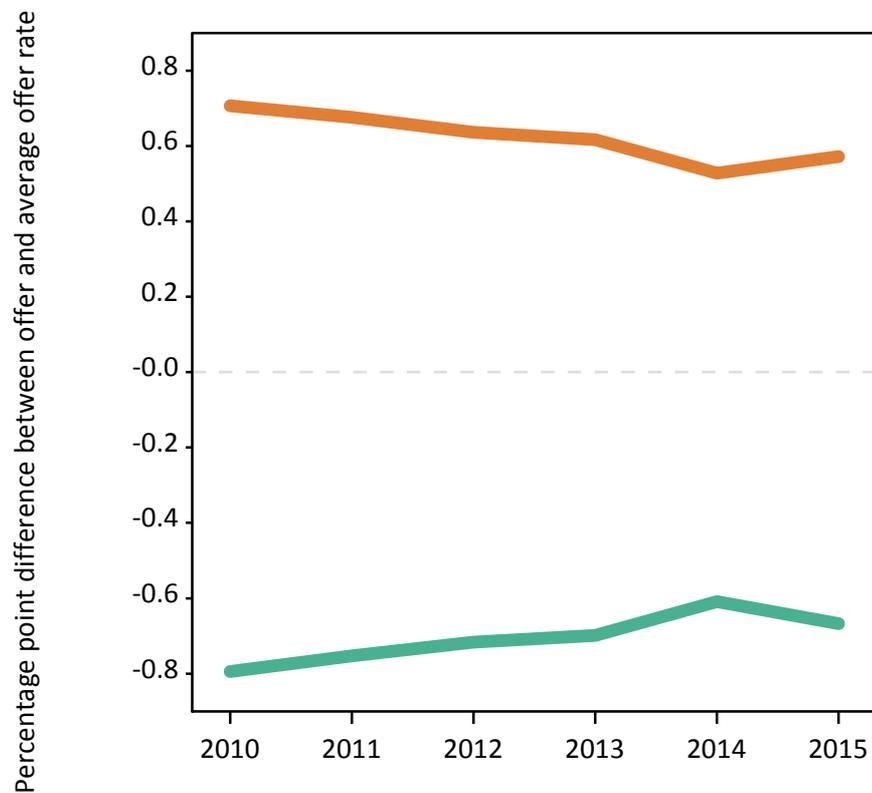
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Women



### 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	11,955	11,270	11,060	11,510	12,580	13,710
	Quintile 2	19,160	18,550	18,105	18,775	19,795	21,530
	Quintile 3	26,785	25,475	24,875	25,560	26,840	28,700
	Quintile 4	37,340	35,550	34,500	35,030	35,380	37,945
	Quintile 5	58,880	57,190	55,630	55,805	56,800	58,985
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	3,465	3,270	3,495	3,755	4,140	4,325
	Quintile 2	6,185	6,095	6,345	7,035	7,095	7,630
	Quintile 3	9,715	9,255	9,675	10,485	10,515	11,125
	Quintile 4	15,755	14,815	15,350	16,100	16,000	17,250
	Quintile 5	29,595	28,555	29,440	30,225	30,550	31,445
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	3,605	3,390	3,745	4,030	4,445	4,685
	Quintile 2	6,450	6,325	6,805	7,515	7,630	8,240
	Quintile 3	10,130	9,575	10,395	11,230	11,370	12,100
	Quintile 4	16,405	15,305	16,415	17,235	17,235	18,610
	Quintile 5	30,745	29,535	31,495	32,330	32,855	34,000
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	807.8	784.0	776.5	826.0	904.1	978.4
	Quintile 2	1,246.0	1,233.8	1,207.7	1,274.2	1,353.0	1,449.6
	Quintile 3	1,684.3	1,655.5	1,610.9	1,675.9	1,783.6	1,869.1
	Quintile 4	2,344.6	2,269.5	2,174.2	2,239.9	2,295.7	2,424.1
	Quintile 5	3,474.1	3,455.1	3,311.4	3,375.0	3,482.8	3,523.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	234.1	227.4	245.3	269.5	297.5	308.8
	Quintile 2	402.2	405.6	423.1	477.4	485.0	513.8
	Quintile 3	610.8	601.5	626.5	687.5	698.6	724.4
	Quintile 4	989.2	945.9	967.5	1,029.3	1,038.1	1,102.1
	Quintile 5	1,746.4	1,725.2	1,752.4	1,827.9	1,873.3	1,878.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	243.7	235.8	263.0	289.2	319.4	334.3
	Quintile 2	419.5	420.9	454.0	510.0	521.5	554.8
	Quintile 3	637.2	622.2	673.2	736.4	755.4	787.9
	Quintile 4	1,030.3	977.0	1,034.6	1,102.0	1,118.5	1,188.8
	Quintile 5	1,814.2	1,784.3	1,874.6	1,955.3	2,014.4	2,031.0

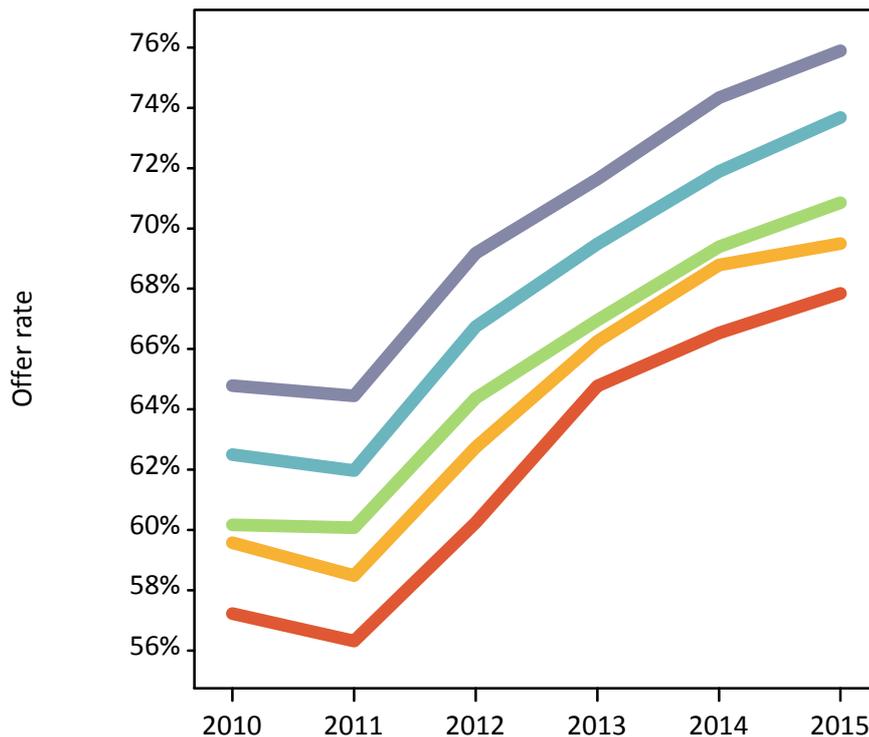
## P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	28,445	26,150	25,760	26,965	29,635	32,130
	Quintile 2	48,845	46,400	45,555	47,315	49,590	54,030
	Quintile 3	73,210	67,770	66,715	69,505	72,125	76,455
	Quintile 4	110,420	102,495	100,605	102,635	103,905	110,925
	Quintile 5	195,620	185,970	183,095	186,040	188,690	195,500
Offers	Quintile 1	16,280	14,730	15,520	17,465	19,720	21,800
	Quintile 2	29,100	27,140	28,585	31,350	34,110	37,550
	Quintile 3	44,045	40,715	42,945	46,535	50,045	54,170
	Quintile 4	69,010	63,520	67,150	71,315	74,705	81,735
	Quintile 5	126,735	119,845	126,665	133,275	140,270	148,380
Offer rate	Quintile 1	57.2%	56.3%	60.2%	64.8%	66.5%	67.8%
	Quintile 2	59.6%	58.5%	62.7%	66.3%	68.8%	69.5%
	Quintile 3	60.2%	60.1%	64.4%	67.0%	69.4%	70.8%
	Quintile 4	62.5%	62.0%	66.7%	69.5%	71.9%	73.7%
	Quintile 5	64.8%	64.4%	69.2%	71.6%	74.3%	75.9%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	59.0%	58.2%	62.0%	65.9%	67.3%	68.7%
	Quintile 2	61.0%	59.7%	63.8%	66.9%	69.1%	69.9%
	Quintile 3	61.1%	60.8%	65.1%	67.7%	70.0%	71.6%
	Quintile 4	62.7%	62.1%	67.1%	69.7%	72.1%	73.9%
	Quintile 5	63.7%	63.5%	68.3%	70.9%	73.8%	75.2%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-1.8	-1.8	-1.8	-1.1	-0.7	-0.9
	Quintile 2	-1.4	-1.2	-1.0	-0.6	-0.3	-0.4
	Quintile 3	-0.9	-0.7	-0.7	-0.8	-0.6	-0.8
	Quintile 4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2
	Quintile 5	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.7
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.151	0.151	0.149	0.151	0.152	0.153
	Quintile 2	0.176	0.180	0.178	0.177	0.177	0.181
	Quintile 3	0.215	0.214	0.213	0.214	0.216	0.216
	Quintile 4	0.286	0.284	0.282	0.279	0.277	0.278
	Quintile 5	0.483	0.487	0.488	0.484	0.479	0.473

### P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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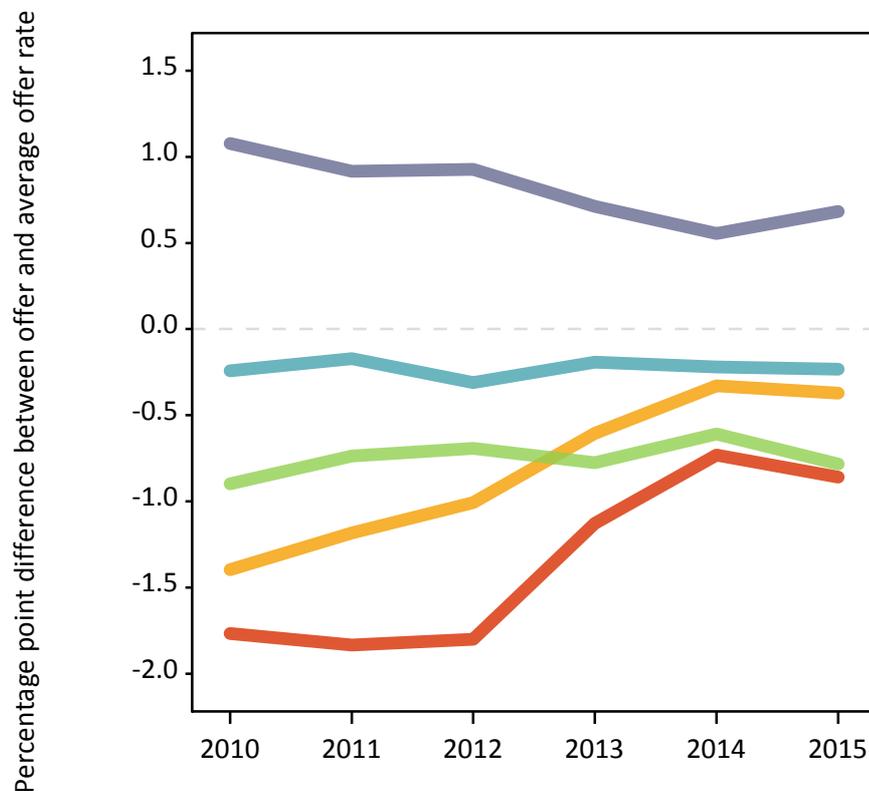
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### P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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	14,860	14,640	14,625	15,495	16,695	18,390
	Black	4,275	4,435	4,415	5,235	5,865	6,620
	Mixed	4,730	5,125	5,125	5,440	5,905	6,665
	White	128,310	121,910	117,960	118,500	120,675	126,420
	Other	1,210	1,270	1,470	1,515	1,805	2,040
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	4,970	4,745	5,150	5,675	5,825	6,445
	Black	880	955	1,035	1,360	1,480	1,685
	Mixed	1,985	2,205	2,340	2,630	2,785	3,065
	White	56,085	53,295	54,945	57,140	57,370	59,490
	Other	405	440	510	510	610	690
All placed applicants	Asian	5,350	5,015	5,735	6,420	6,625	7,375
	Black	960	1,030	1,245	1,580	1,755	2,000
	Mixed	2,065	2,295	2,555	2,840	3,040	3,405
	White	58,135	54,975	58,415	60,605	61,150	63,610
	Other	440	460	570	585	715	800
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	2,403.7	2,323.3	2,258.2	2,349.6	2,462.2	2,599.2
	Black	1,632.7	1,621.8	1,568.2	1,763.0	1,935.6	2,081.1
	Mixed	2,041.1	2,116.0	1,968.4	2,012.0	2,052.4	2,161.9
	White	1,913.2	1,883.0	1,826.9	1,883.2	1,956.0	2,028.9
	Other	1,574.2	1,566.7	1,663.5	1,668.5	1,940.3	2,118.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	804.1	753.1	795.4	860.7	859.0	911.1
	Black	336.6	348.6	367.2	458.8	488.6	529.5
	Mixed	856.3	909.6	899.1	972.0	967.3	993.9
	White	836.3	823.2	851.0	908.1	929.9	954.7
	Other	526.0	544.5	577.5	562.4	657.5	714.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	865.2	795.4	885.9	973.5	976.9	1,042.3
	Black	366.4	376.0	442.5	532.5	579.7	628.5
	Mixed	891.7	948.4	980.2	1,050.4	1,056.3	1,104.8
	White	866.8	849.1	904.7	963.2	991.1	1,020.8
	Other	570.2	567.9	645.3	645.1	768.2	829.7

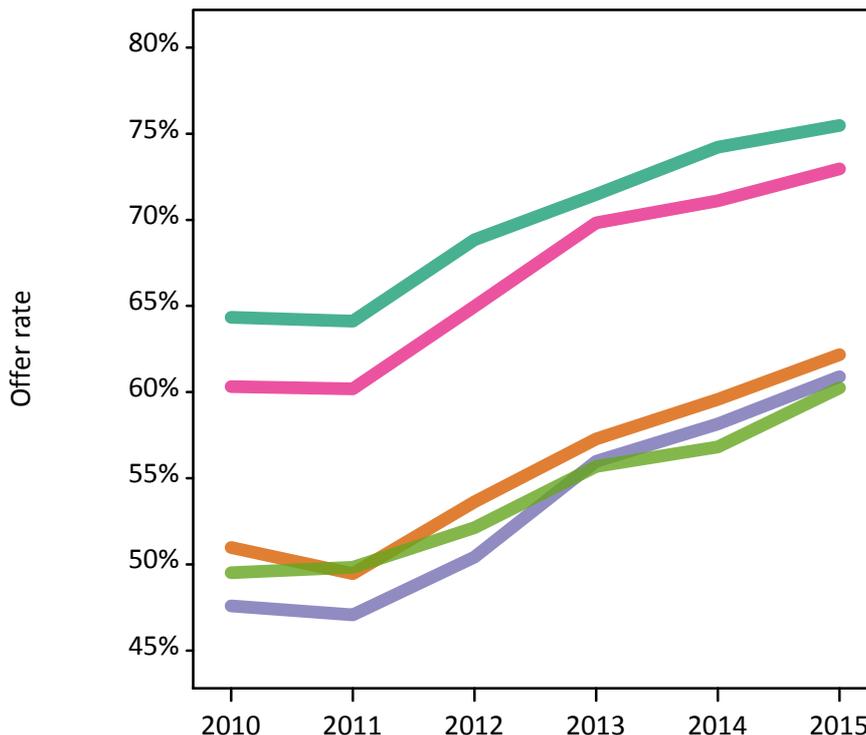
## P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	42,430	40,890	40,670	43,405	46,350	50,550
	Black	10,235	10,415	10,395	12,515	14,160	15,905
	Mixed	14,630	15,660	15,935	17,040	18,095	20,340
	White	383,125	355,850	348,545	353,560	358,685	374,080
	Other	3,470	3,645	4,125	4,135	5,100	5,545
Offers	Asian	21,630	20,225	21,810	24,860	27,615	31,430
	Black	4,870	4,905	5,240	7,005	8,235	9,685
	Mixed	8,825	9,425	10,355	11,900	12,865	14,840
	White	246,495	228,155	239,975	252,675	266,200	282,370
	Other	1,720	1,815	2,150	2,305	2,895	3,340
Offer rate	Asian	51.0%	49.5%	53.6%	57.3%	59.6%	62.2%
	Black	47.6%	47.1%	50.4%	56.0%	58.1%	60.9%
	Mixed	60.3%	60.2%	65.0%	69.8%	71.1%	73.0%
	White	64.3%	64.1%	68.9%	71.5%	74.2%	75.5%
	Other	49.5%	49.8%	52.1%	55.7%	56.8%	60.2%
Average offer rate	Asian	52.6%	51.3%	55.2%	58.6%	61.2%	63.7%
	Black	50.7%	50.0%	54.2%	58.7%	61.1%	63.8%
	Mixed	60.4%	59.9%	64.9%	69.4%	71.5%	73.0%
	White	64.0%	63.8%	68.5%	71.2%	73.8%	75.1%
	Other	51.5%	51.3%	55.7%	57.7%	59.6%	63.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-1.7	-1.8	-1.6	-1.3	-1.6	-1.6
	Black	-3.1	-2.9	-3.8	-2.8	-3.0	-2.9
	Mixed	-0.1	0.3	0.1	0.4	-0.4	0.0
	White	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
	Other	-2.0	-1.4	-3.6	-2.0	-2.8	-2.7
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.286	0.279	0.269	0.268	0.262	0.262
	Black	0.134	0.135	0.135	0.143	0.144	0.132
	Mixed	0.095	0.102	0.105	0.104	0.101	0.103
	White	0.874	0.865	0.861	0.854	0.845	0.835
	Other	0.083	0.081	0.097	0.093	0.090	0.086

**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	261,140	258,445	240,595	249,670	259,255	274,080
Placed June deadline applicants	94,605	91,015	88,915	95,085	97,425	103,420
All placed applicants	98,980	94,715	95,835	102,620	105,550	112,685

### P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	689,945	666,425	627,035	655,435	676,915	714,675
Offers	372,355	352,830	357,790	390,555	416,875	450,365
Offer rate	54.0%	52.9%	57.1%	59.6%	61.6%	63.0%

### P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	115,105	113,565	104,745	109,105	112,495	118,415
	Women	146,035	144,885	135,850	140,560	146,760	155,665
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	43,530	42,190	41,045	43,845	44,365	46,425
	Women	51,075	48,825	47,870	51,240	53,055	56,995
All placed applicants	Men	45,540	43,800	44,185	47,310	48,220	50,685
	Women	53,435	50,915	51,650	55,305	57,335	62,000

### P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	321,250	310,890	291,290	304,290	311,290	327,005
	Women	368,695	355,530	335,745	351,145	365,625	387,670
Offers	Men	179,000	170,650	172,560	187,190	197,315	211,170
	Women	193,355	182,185	185,230	203,365	219,555	239,195
Offer rate	Men	55.7%	54.9%	59.2%	61.5%	63.4%	64.6%
	Women	52.4%	51.2%	55.2%	57.9%	60.0%	61.7%

### P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	24,980	25,245	23,665	24,820	26,490	28,065
	Quintile 2	35,665	35,615	33,520	35,125	37,445	39,755
	Quintile 3	47,785	47,290	43,920	45,855	48,195	50,935
	Quintile 4	60,960	59,685	55,500	57,465	58,990	62,680
	Quintile 5	90,860	89,795	83,290	85,750	87,545	91,830
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	5,955	5,715	5,670	6,185	6,805	7,060
	Quintile 2	9,800	9,555	9,280	10,450	10,830	11,595
	Quintile 3	14,565	14,080	13,695	15,095	15,415	16,460
	Quintile 4	22,660	21,465	21,025	22,395	22,720	24,465
	Quintile 5	41,330	39,945	39,030	40,780	41,470	43,560
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	6,255	6,010	6,170	6,735	7,410	7,730
	Quintile 2	10,275	9,970	10,070	11,300	11,710	12,645
	Quintile 3	15,245	14,665	14,830	16,300	16,775	18,085
	Quintile 4	23,730	22,300	22,635	24,165	24,590	26,605
	Quintile 5	43,160	41,495	41,890	43,905	44,865	47,305

### P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	52,100	50,930	47,870	50,605	54,605	58,080
	Quintile 2	80,340	78,685	74,335	78,560	83,305	88,785
	Quintile 3	115,490	111,225	104,075	110,200	115,250	121,590
	Quintile 4	162,940	155,470	146,445	152,355	155,805	165,630
	Quintile 5	276,690	267,935	252,415	261,995	266,400	278,380
Offers	Quintile 1	23,405	21,665	21,895	25,175	28,200	30,930
	Quintile 2	39,280	37,335	37,555	42,550	46,385	50,605
	Quintile 3	58,115	54,760	55,300	61,380	66,655	72,120
	Quintile 4	89,090	83,370	84,915	91,905	97,205	105,970
	Quintile 5	161,410	154,710	157,220	168,720	177,620	189,545
Offer rate	Quintile 1	44.9%	42.5%	45.7%	49.7%	51.6%	53.3%
	Quintile 2	48.9%	47.4%	50.5%	54.2%	55.7%	57.0%
	Quintile 3	50.3%	49.2%	53.1%	55.7%	57.8%	59.3%
	Quintile 4	54.7%	53.6%	58.0%	60.3%	62.4%	64.0%
	Quintile 5	58.3%	57.7%	62.3%	64.4%	66.7%	68.1%

## P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	27,190	27,635	26,390	28,390	30,520	33,110
	Black	15,625	16,165	15,620	16,065	17,080	18,330
	Mixed	8,885	9,295	8,755	9,575	10,390	11,580
	White	204,265	200,120	184,425	190,140	195,330	204,060
	Other	2,780	2,870	3,415	3,505	3,970	4,415
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	7,485	7,275	7,625	8,235	8,575	9,525
	Black	1,845	1,910	1,970	2,335	2,550	2,965
	Mixed	3,145	3,335	3,280	3,790	4,005	4,460
	White	80,520	76,855	74,430	79,120	80,600	84,340
	Other	670	735	860	885	1,005	1,125
All placed applicants	Asian	8,095	7,740	8,565	9,395	9,865	11,045
	Black	2,045	2,090	2,350	2,750	3,055	3,555
	Mixed	3,305	3,490	3,590	4,150	4,405	4,990
	White	83,690	79,600	79,470	84,385	86,235	90,570
	Other	740	775	985	1,030	1,190	1,335

## P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	70,590	69,910	67,170	72,245	77,000	82,820
	Black	29,095	29,510	28,500	30,275	33,000	35,775
	Mixed	24,175	25,060	23,990	26,335	28,305	31,425
	White	552,200	528,010	493,445	512,510	523,410	546,705
	Other	6,900	7,160	8,235	8,460	9,730	10,650
Offers	Asian	30,235	28,810	30,430	34,705	38,415	44,050
	Black	8,060	8,100	8,415	10,680	12,515	14,770
	Mixed	12,305	12,850	13,520	15,905	17,330	19,880
	White	315,790	297,175	299,265	322,765	341,455	362,380
	Other	2,615	2,720	3,340	3,660	4,385	5,140
Offer rate	Asian	42.8%	41.2%	45.3%	48.0%	49.9%	53.2%
	Black	27.7%	27.4%	29.5%	35.3%	37.9%	41.3%
	Mixed	50.9%	51.3%	56.4%	60.4%	61.2%	63.3%
	White	57.2%	56.3%	60.6%	63.0%	65.2%	66.3%
	Other	37.9%	38.0%	40.6%	43.3%	45.1%	48.3%

## 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.