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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

Non-disclosure controls: To avoid the disclosure of information about any individual the following measures are taken

- 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	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	9,880	10,185	10,970	9,260	8,280	7,025
Placed June deadline applicants	1,890	1,880	1,915	1,575	1,400	1,325
All placed applicants	2,330	2,560	2,400	2,070	1,870	1,790
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	129.8	135.2	143.2	123.6	111.8	97.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	24.8	25.0	25.0	21.0	18.9	18.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	30.6	34.0	31.3	27.6	25.3	24.8

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	10,830	11,205	12,225	10,220	9,110	7,775
Offers	8,715	9,215	10,330	8,335	7,410	6,460
Offer rate	80.5%	82.3%	84.5%	81.5%	81.4%	83.1%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

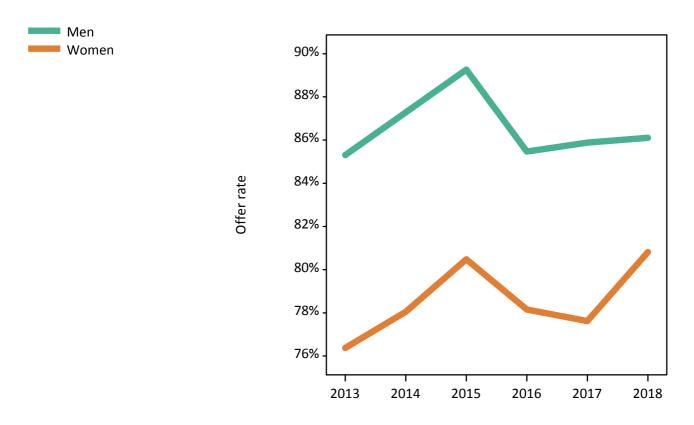
Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	4,445	4,525	4,930	4,200	3,710	2,970
	Women	5,435	5,660	6,040	5,065	4,570	4,055
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	910	915	890	755	635	545
	Women	980	965	1,030	820	765	780
All placed applicants	Men	1,080	1,225	1,085	935	840	725
	Women	1,245	1,335	1,315	1,135	1,030	1,060
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	113.8	116.8	125.6	109.3	97.7	80.1
population	Women	146.7	154.7	161.7	138.6	126.6	115.2
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	23.3	23.7	22.6	19.6	16.7	14.7
10,000 population	Women	26.5	26.3	27.5	22.5	21.2	22.1
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	27.7	31.7	27.7	24.4	22.1	19.6
population	Women	33.7	36.4	35.2	31.1	28.6	30.2

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	4,960	5,105	5,615	4,720	4,115	3,340
	Women	5,870	6,100	6,610	5,500	4,995	4,435
Offers	Men	4,235	4,455	5,015	4,035	3,535	2,875
	Women	4,485	4,760	5,320	4,300	3,875	3,585
Offer rate	Men	85.3%	87.3%	89.3%	85.5%	85.9%	86.1%
	Women	76.4%	78.0%	80.5%	78.1%	77.6%	80.8%
Average offer rate	Men	84.9%	87.1%	88.8%	85.7%	85.4%	86.4%
	Women	76.7%	78.2%	80.9%	78.0%	78.0%	80.6%
Percentage point difference between	Men	0.4	0.2	0.5	-0.2	0.4	-0.2
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	-0.3	-0.2	-0.4	0.2	-0.4	0.2
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.633	0.631	0.646	0.656	0.655	0.638
offer rate	Women	0.690	0.691	0.699	0.705	0.716	0.727

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 2013-2018.



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 2013-2018.





P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

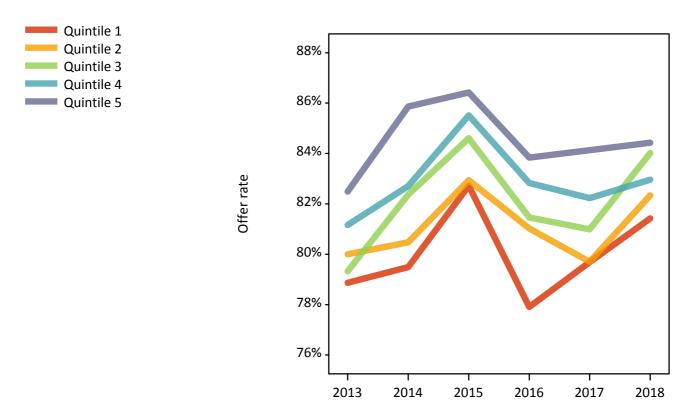
Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,395	1,545	1,725	1,465	1,340	1,105
	Quintile 2	2,095	2,230	2,335	2,095	1,800	1,525
	Quintile 3	2,115	2,200	2,370	1,975	1,750	1,460
	Quintile 4	2,280	2,295	2,440	2,005	1,820	1,600
	Quintile 5	1,985	1,895	2,090	1,705	1,555	1,315
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	245	270	295	210	210	220
	Quintile 2	425	405	425	345	320	310
	Quintile 3	400	400	420	360	275	255
	Quintile 4	455	465	450	360	335	290
	Quintile 5	360	335	325	305	260	250
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	305	365	365	280	295	280
	Quintile 2	520	550	535	450	410	410
	Quintile 3	490	545	530	465	370	345
	Quintile 4	545	620	560	460	445	410
	Quintile 5	465	480	410	410	350	340
June deadline applicants per 10,00	0 Quintile 1	99.2	110.0	121.8	107.6	100.2	85.0
population	Quintile 2	144.2	155.3	160.0	147.6	129.0	112.8
	Quintile 3	142.1	150.3	158.0	134.6	120.8	103.4
	Quintile 4	148.0	150.4	157.7	131.4	120.5	108.5
	Quintile 5	115.1	111.5	120.4	98.9	90.7	78.1
Placed June deadline applicants pe	r Quintile 1	17.5	19.1	21.0	15.4	15.8	16.8
10,000 population	Quintile 2	29.2	28.4	29.0	24.2	22.8	22.9
	Quintile 3	26.8	27.2	28.0	24.4	18.8	17.9
	Quintile 4	29.6	30.6	29.1	23.6	22.0	19.6
	Quintile 5	21.0	19.8	18.8	17.6	15.3	14.8
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	21.8	25.8	25.6	20.7	22.0	21.6
population	Quintile 2	36.0	38.5	36.6	31.7	29.5	30.4
	Quintile 3	32.8	37.1	35.5	31.8	25.5	24.4
	Quintile 4	35.2	40.7	36.2	30.2	29.5	27.7
	Quintile 5	27.1	28.1	23.5	23.9	20.3	20.1

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic PO	LAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,505	1,675	1,900	1,605	1,470	1,220
	Quintile 2	2,305	2,445	2,605	2,325	1,990	1,705
	Quintile 3	2,330	2,435	2,675	2,180	1,905	1,615
	Quintile 4	2,530	2,545	2,740	2,225	2,030	1,770
	Quintile 5	2,145	2,085	2,300	1,870	1,700	1,445
Offers	Quintile 1	1,185	1,335	1,570	1,250	1,175	995
	Quintile 2	1,845	1,965	2,160	1,885	1,585	1,405
	Quintile 3	1,850	2,005	2,265	1,775	1,540	1,355
	Quintile 4	2,055	2,105	2,345	1,840	1,670	1,470
	Quintile 5	1,770	1,790	1,985	1,565	1,430	1,220
Offer rate	Quintile 1	78.9%	79.5%	82.7%	77.9%	79.7%	81.4%
	Quintile 2	80.0%	80.5%	82.9%	81.0%	79.7%	82.3%
	Quintile 3	79.3%	82.4%	84.6%	81.5%	81.0%	84.0%
	Quintile 4	81.2%	82.7%	85.5%	82.8%	82.2%	83.0%
	Quintile 5	82.5%	85.9%	86.4%	83.8%	84.1%	84.4%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	79.3%	80.0%	82.9%	79.2%	80.2%	82.8%
	Quintile 2	80.0%	81.4%	83.8%	81.8%	80.9%	82.5%
	Quintile 3	80.0%	82.6%	84.9%	81.8%	81.6%	83.3%
	Quintile 4	80.7%	82.6%	84.6%	81.4%	81.5%	83.5%
	Quintile 5	82.0%	84.2%	86.0%	83.0%	82.5%	83.1%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-0.5	-0.5	-0.2	-1.3	-0.5	-1.4
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	0.0	-0.9	-0.9	-0.8	-1.2	-0.2
	Quintile 3	-0.7	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.6	0.7
	Quintile 4	0.5	0.1	1.0	1.4	0.7	-0.6
	Quintile 5	0.5	1.7	0.4	0.8	1.6	1.3
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.218	0.225	0.232	0.248	0.256	0.244
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.292	0.285	0.294	0.307	0.301	0.300
	Quintile 3	0.285	0.283	0.296	0.294	0.307	0.289
	Quintile 4	0.305	0.303	0.300	0.310	0.312	0.308
	Quintile 5	0.290	0.282	0.283	0.285	0.291	0.275

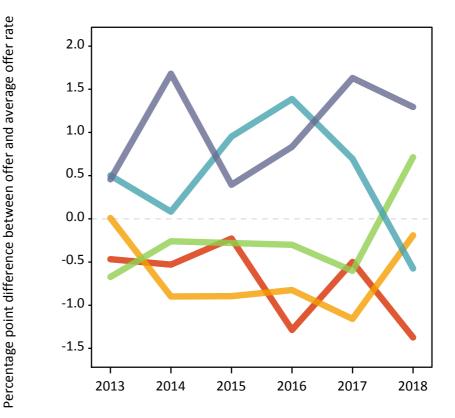
P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.





P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

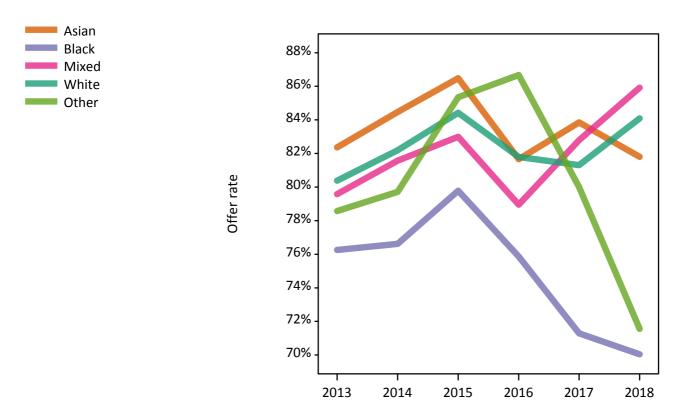
Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,060	1,005	1,330	1,315	1,195	1,190
	Black	265	315	435	330	300	250
	Mixed	275	305	355	310	285	260
	White	8,190	8,460	8,705	7,185	6,390	5,190
	Other	65	65	105	70	85	100
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	235	195	245	235	220	230
	Black	30	50	50	40	25	30
	Mixed	45	45	50	45	60	45
	White	1,570	1,565	1,540	1,240	1,080	1,000
	Other	5	15	15	5	10	10
All placed applicants	Asian	310	350	330	345	360	370
	Black	55	110	85	60	50	55
	Mixed	55	75	70	60	85	60
	White	1,860	1,955	1,855	1,550	1,335	1,230
	Other	10	25	15	10	15	20
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	161.0	148.2	187.8	183.0	162.7	160.3
population	Black	89.6	103.6	137.0	105.7	96.0	79.5
	Mixed	102.1	106.7	115.4	98.8	88.8	81.1
	White	130.2	137.2	139.7	118.8	107.6	90.4
	Other	71.7	70.9	108.9	71.3	81.5	96.1
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	35.9	28.9	34.9	32.4	30.2	31.0
10,000 population	Black	10.4	17.2	16.0	12.1	8.6	9.9
	Mixed	17.0	16.3	16.9	14.3	18.1	13.3
	White	25.0	25.4	24.7	20.5	18.2	17.4
	Other	3.3	16.1	14.5	6.0	8.7	11.4
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	47.3	51.3	46.6	48.1	48.8	49.6
population	Black	18.2	36.6	27.3	19.5	15.3	17.6
	Mixed	19.6	25.7	23.0	18.7	26.5	19.2
	White	29.6	31.7	29.8	25.6	22.5	21.4
	Other	9.9	27.9	17.6	11.1	12.6	20.9

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic I	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	1,170	1,115	1,525	1,465	1,320	1,335
	Black	280	325	465	350	315	255
	Mixed	290	330	390	340	310	275
	White	9,010	9,325	9,680	7,945	7,050	5,760
	Other	70	70	115	75	90	110
Offers	Asian	960	940	1,320	1,200	1,105	1,090
	Black	210	250	370	265	225	180
	Mixed	230	270	320	270	255	240
	White	7,240	7,665	8,175	6,495	5,735	4,840
	Other	55	55	100	65	70	80
Offer rate	Asian	82.4%	84.5%	86.5%	81.7%	83.9%	81.8%
	Black	76.3%	76.6%	79.8%	75.9%	71.3%	70.0%
	Mixed	79.6%	81.6%	83.0%	78.9%	82.8%	85.9%
	White	80.4%	82.2%	84.4%	81.8%	81.3%	84.1%
	Other	78.6%	79.7%	85.3%	86.7%	80.0%	71.6%
Average offer rate	Asian	82.2%	83.6%	86.4%	81.4%	82.3%	80.7%
	Black	80.1%	81.0%	83.7%	78.9%	76.5%	78.8%
	Mixed	83.5%	83.5%	84.6%	81.9%	82.6%	84.5%
	White	80.1%	82.1%	84.3%	81.6%	81.3%	83.9%
	Other	85.0%	80.6%	84.0%	83.1%	84.2%	76.5%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	0.1	0.9	0.0	0.3	1.6	1.1
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-3.9	-4.4	-3.9	-3.1	-5.2	-8.8
	Mixed	-3.9	-1.9	-1.6	-2.9	0.2	1.4
	White	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.2
	Other	-6.5	-0.9	1.3	3.6	-4.2	-5.0
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.306	0.275	0.294	0.315	0.333	0.363
offer rate	Black	0.138	0.140	0.155	0.140	0.157	0.150
	Mixed	0.126	0.137	0.125	0.145	0.153	0.127
	White	0.866	0.864	0.834	0.820	0.821	0.800
	Other	0.095	0.123	0.174	0.131	0.162	0.102

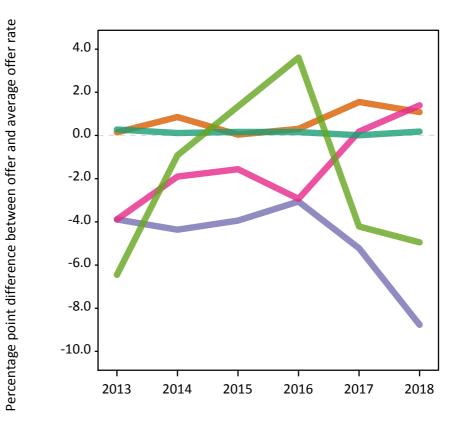
P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.



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 2013-2018.





P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	20,705	21,400	22,995	20,445	17,585	14,940
Placed June deadline applicants	4,100	4,505	4,535	3,825	3,540	3,350
All placed applicants	5,565	6,420	6,060	5,375	5,165	5,080

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	23,055	23,910	26,155	23,245	19,850	16,855
Offers	15,355	16,755	18,430	15,345	13,555	12,005
Offer rate	66.6%	70.1%	70.5%	66.0%	68.3%	71.2%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	9,070	9,270	10,015	8,760	7,575	6,010
	Women	11,635	12,130	12,980	11,685	10,010	8,930
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,885	2,025	2,015	1,705	1,490	1,275
	Women	2,210	2,480	2,520	2,120	2,050	2,075
All placed applicants	Men	2,545	2,950	2,735	2,370	2,210	1,980
	Women	3,020	3,470	3,325	3,005	2,960	3,100

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	10,290	10,545	11,550	10,105	8,650	6,880
	Women	12,770	13,370	14,605	13,140	11,200	9,980
Offers	Men	7,510	8,100	8,970	7,440	6,465	5,230
	Women	7,845	8,655	9,460	7,905	7,090	6,775
Offer rate	Men	73.0%	76.8%	77.7%	73.6%	74.8%	76.1%
	Women	61.4%	64.7%	64.8%	60.2%	63.3%	67.9%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	3,220	3,450	3,925	3,560	3,055	2,545
	Quintile 2	4,490	4,815	5,035	4,680	3,945	3,340
	Quintile 3	4,430	4,480	4,850	4,225	3,685	3,090
	Quintile 4	4,670	4,740	5,065	4,340	3,825	3,345
	Quintile 5	3,865	3,875	4,095	3,600	3,045	2,575
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	575	635	730	585	565	535
	Quintile 2	910	1,020	1,045	865	845	785
	Quintile 3	870	980	950	805	685	665
	Quintile 4	975	1,090	1,065	860	825	765
	Quintile 5	765	775	745	710	615	590
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	780	900	960	795	820	790
	Quintile 2	1,270	1,490	1,420	1,255	1,240	1,220
	Quintile 3	1,150	1,375	1,260	1,165	1,015	1,005
	Quintile 4	1,285	1,530	1,410	1,175	1,205	1,185
	Quintile 5	1,060	1,120	1,000	975	875	850

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	3,560	3,765	4,405	4,010	3,410	2,840
	Quintile 2	5,020	5,415	5,775	5,340	4,490	3,820
	Quintile 3	4,955	5,030	5,535	4,790	4,120	3,460
	Quintile 4	5,210	5,365	5,820	4,990	4,385	3,800
	Quintile 5	4,275	4,300	4,590	4,075	3,420	2,890
Offers	Quintile 1	2,250	2,465	2,970	2,450	2,175	1,925
	Quintile 2	3,260	3,720	4,020	3,450	3,020	2,660
	Quintile 3	3,280	3,565	3,870	3,235	2,790	2,495
	Quintile 4	3,545	3,820	4,165	3,345	3,100	2,740
	Quintile 5	2,995	3,160	3,385	2,840	2,450	2,150
Offer rate	Quintile 1	63.2%	65.5%	67.4%	61.1%	63.9%	67.8%
	Quintile 2	64.9%	68.7%	69.6%	64.6%	67.2%	69.7%
	Quintile 3	66.1%	70.9%	69.9%	67.5%	67.8%	72.1%
	Quintile 4	68.0%	71.2%	71.6%	67.1%	70.8%	72.1%
	Quintile 5	70.1%	73.5%	73.8%	69.7%	71.7%	74.3%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	2,430	2,340	2,845	2,695	2,405	2,395
	Black	960	1,100	1,410	1,380	1,235	1,025
	Mixed	585	645	765	710	625	535
	White	16,460	17,045	17,585	15,300	12,990	10,625
	Other	175	190	265	230	225	260
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	490	445	495	480	445	495
	Black	125	195	180	150	180	140
	Mixed	95	135	155	115	130	105
	White	3,345	3,670	3,650	3,025	2,740	2,545
	Other	20	35	30	25	25	40
All placed applicants	Asian	665	770	685	725	710	750
	Black	210	340	285	250	260	225
	Mixed	125	185	195	155	180	145
	White	4,055	4,535	4,335	3,760	3,460	3,130
	Other	35	85	55	45	45	65

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	2,700	2,610	3,235	3,065	2,715	2,710
	Black	1,010	1,150	1,525	1,490	1,330	1,090
	Mixed	625	710	860	800	680	575
	White	18,435	19,145	20,100	17,490	14,765	12,080
	Other	190	200	295	255	245	285
Offers	Asian	1,855	1,880	2,380	2,130	1,950	1,950
	Black	525	630	825	675	630	530
	Mixed	410	510	620	545	480	445
	White	12,385	13,540	14,310	11,760	10,280	8,855
	Other	120	130	200	150	145	165
Offer rate	Asian	68.7%	72.0%	73.6%	69.5%	71.8%	72.0%
	Black	51.8%	54.6%	54.2%	45.3%	47.5%	48.4%
	Mixed	66.1%	71.6%	71.7%	68.4%	70.1%	77.0%
	White	67.2%	70.7%	71.2%	67.2%	69.6%	73.3%
	Other	62.6%	65.8%	68.3%	58.2%	60.0%	57.7%

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 2018 cycle runs from September 2017 through to October 2018.

End of cycle

The point in the cycle to which the numbers in this report refer, and the point at which the cycle is closed such that no more applications or offers can be made, and no more applicants can be placed. Numbers reported at the end of cycle exclude information on a small number of applicants who cancelled during the cycle.

Extra

Applicants who are unsuccessful in obtaining an offer or decline all offers may be eligible to apply through Extra, where they can apply to one further course at a time. Extra operates from 25 February until early July. It provides applicants who are eligible the possibility of obtaining an offer before exam results are published and Clearing starts.

June 30 deadline

The deadline for main scheme applications. Applicants who apply after this date will go directly into Clearing.

Record of Prior Acceptance (RPA)

RPA is an acceptance route used when a provider informs UCAS of applicants it has accepted outside of the normal application process (e.g. individuals who have applied directly to the provider).

Reporting groups

Ethnic group

High level grouping of ethnic origin as declared by the applicant: 'White', 'Black', 'Asian', 'Mixed', 'Other', 'Unknown'. Applicants who declare themselves as 'Unknown' ethnic origin are not reported in these tables, but are included in the associated csv data file.

POLAR4 quintile

Developed by OfS, POLAR4 classifies small areas across the UK into five groups according to their level of young participation in Higher Education. Each of these groups represents around 20 per cent of young people and is ranked from Quintile 1 (areas with the lowest young participation rates, considered as the most disadvantaged) to Quintile 5 (highest young participation rates, considered most advantaged). POLAR4 is based on the participation rates of young people between between 2009-10 and 2013-14 if they entered higher education aged 18, or between 2010-11 and 2014-15 if they entered aged 19, therefore is most suitable for applicants aged 19 and under. These groups are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant at the time of their application. If a UK postcode is invalid, considered unsafe for measurement or there is no link to Census geography possible then the applicant is not assigned to a quintile. Applicants with no POLAR4 quintile are not reported.

Sex

Sex as declared by the applicant.

SIMD 2016 quintile

Scottish index of multiple deprivation (SIMD) identifies small area concentrations of multiple deprivation across all of Scotland, providing a relative measure of deprivation amongst 6505 small areas (data zones) based on 7 socio-economic domains. These small areas are classified into five groups ranked from Quintile 1 (considered the most deprived) to Quintile 5 (considered least deprived), with equal populations in each quintile. Quintiles are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant, applicants declaring invalid postcodes are classified as 'Not assigned' and are not reported.

SIMD is only defined for applicants domiciled in Scotland, therefore any applicants domiciled outside of Scotland cannot be assigned to an SIMD quintile and so are not reported for this measure.

SIMD is only reported for providers in Scotland. Application and entry rates by SIMD are reported in the 2018 End of Cycle Report and the 2018 cycle January deadline application rate report.

Statistics reported in the tables

All placed applicants

The number of applicants placed for entry into higher education at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA.

All placed applicants per 10,000 population

The number of total UK domiciled 18 year old placed applicants for entry into higher education at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Average offer rate

The offer rate that you might expect if the predicted grades and subject choice of applicants were the only factors that influenced whether an applicant was made an offer by the provider. The average offer rate is calculated by dividing applicants according to their specific combination of grades (for A levels the best three predicted grades are used, for BTECs, International Baccalaureate and Scottish Highers and Advanced Highers, predicted grades along with any grades already achieved upon applying are used) and subject choice. For each combination the number of main scheme offers is divided by the number of main scheme applications, to give an overall offer rate. This is then multiplied by the number of applications made by the group for which the average offer rate is being calculated (for example POLAR4 quintile 1), to give an average number of offers for that group. These average number of offers are then added together across all combinations of predicted grade and subject and divided by the number of main scheme applications from the group to give the average offer rate.

The average offer rate does not attempt to control for any other factors that may play a part in the decision to make an offer, such as the subject of the qualifications studied, their relevance to a course, or the grade in each subject; higher numbers of A levels being studied; the exact profile of grades predicted; personal statements; teacher references; interviews; or any other criteria (such as work experience or portfolios) that may be part of the admissions decision.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Contribution of group to the average offer rate

The way in which the average offer rate is defined means that the pattern of application and offers of a group (for example POLAR4 quintile 1) will always contribute, in part, to the average offer rate for that group. When this contribution is large, the average offer rate will mainly reflect the patterns for the group, meaning that the value of the average offer rate will be similar to the offer rate, the percentage point difference statistic will be small, and any real difference between the offer rate and what might be expected given the predicted grades and subject choices of the applicants will be difficult to detect.

Values of the contribution of group to the average offer rate range between 0 and 1. The closer the value is to 1 the greater the contribution a group makes to its own average offer rate.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Placed June deadline applicants

An applicant who has been placed for entry into higher education at the provider through a June deadline application.

Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old placed June deadline applicants at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their June deadline applications. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider, but for placed June deadline applicants only. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider through a June deadline application.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

June deadline applications

An application (or choice) to a course in higher education to the provider that is made by the June 30 deadline. Each applicant can make up to five choices this way. The number of June deadline applications does not include choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs. Applications made to October deadline courses received after the October deadline are not included in these statistics.

June deadline applicants

The number of applicants that made at least one application to the provider by the June 30 deadline.

June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old June deadline applicants to the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, who applied by the June 30 deadline. It is equivalent to the application rate. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will apply to a provider by the June 30 deadline.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Offers

An offer is defined as a provider's decision in response to an application to offer a place to an applicant, often subject to the applicant satisfying academic and/or other criteria, via a June deadline application (i.e. does not cover choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs).

Offer rate

The number of offers made divided by the number of June deadline applications. This gives the proportion of all June deadline applications to the provider that received an offer.

Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate The offer rate minus the average offer rate.

The percentage point difference can be compared to the expected range of statistical variation resulting from the calculation of the average offer rate using the Average Offer Rate Lookup Table. Where the value of the percentage point difference lies outside of this range, the percentage point difference may be considered to represent a real difference between the offer rate and the average offer rate.

Other definitions

Age

This analysis uses country-specific age definitions that align with the cut off points for school and college cohorts within the different administrations of the UK. For England and Wales, ages are defined on the 31 August, for Northern Ireland on the 1 July and for Scotland on the 28 February the following year. Defining ages in this way matches the assignment of children to school cohorts. For applicants outside of the UK a cohort cut off of 31 August has been used. Numbers for applicants aged 17 and under are included in the tables that report numbers for all age groups. Providers in Scotland typically receive a higher proportion of applicants aged 17 and under compared to providers elsewhere in the UK.

Provider

A higher education provider - a university or college.

UK domiciled

Declared area of permanent residence within England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Applicants from the Channel Islands and Isle of Man are not included.