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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	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	27,580	25,100	25,900	27,805	26,575	30,775
Placed June deadline applicants	3,935	3,740	4,010	4,080	3,935	4,510
All placed applicants	4,195	3,905	4,485	4,550	4,580	5,070
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	362.4	333.3	338.1	371.0	358.7	426.1
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	51.7	49.6	52.3	54.4	53.1	62.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	55.2	51.9	58.5	60.7	61.8	70.2

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	28,490	25,885	26,665	28,570	27,295	31,695
Offers	20,965	20,045	20,940	22,585	22,445	25,635
Offer rate	73.6%	77.4%	78.5%	79.1%	82.2%	80.9%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	12,685	10,995	11,630	12,260	12,100	14,015
	Women	14,895	14,110	14,270	15,545	14,475	16,760
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,830	1,685	1,890	1,880	1,850	2,120
	Women	2,105	2,050	2,120	2,200	2,085	2,390
All placed applicants	Men	1,940	1,775	2,110	2,090	2,135	2,350
	Women	2,260	2,130	2,375	2,460	2,445	2,720
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	325.0	284.0	296.3	319.2	318.6	378.3
population	Women	401.9	385.4	381.9	425.4	400.9	476.3
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	46.9	43.6	48.1	48.9	48.7	57.2
10,000 population	Women	56.8	56.1	56.7	60.2	57.8	67.9
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	49.6	45.9	53.8	54.4	56.2	63.4
population	Women	61.0	58.2	63.5	67.4	67.8	77.3

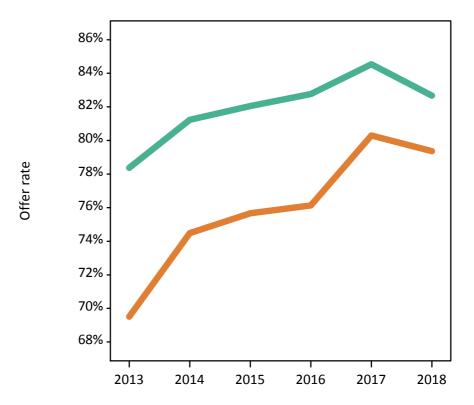
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	13,105	11,325	11,970	12,605	12,415	14,455
	Women	15,380	14,560	14,695	15,965	14,885	17,245
Offers	Men	10,270	9,200	9,820	10,435	10,495	11,950
	Women	10,690	10,845	11,120	12,155	11,950	13,685
Offer rate	Men	78.4%	81.2%	82.0%	82.8%	84.5%	82.7%
	Women	69.5%	74.5%	75.7%	76.1%	80.3%	79.4%
Average offer rate	Men	78.7%	81.6%	82.5%	83.1%	84.8%	83.1%
	Women	69.3%	74.2%	75.3%	75.8%	80.1%	79.0%
Percentage point difference between	Men	-0.3	-0.3	-0.5	-0.4	-0.2	-0.4
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.594	0.584	0.597	0.587	0.601	0.598
offer rate	Women	0.654	0.676	0.671	0.674	0.667	0.663

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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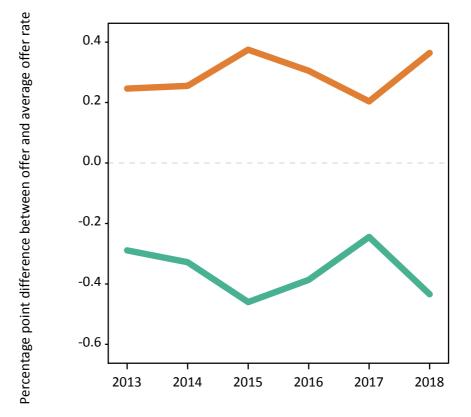




P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 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	1,680	1,730	1,825	1,985	2,025	2,300
	Quintile 2	2,910	2,835	2,910	3,190	3,045	3,575
	Quintile 3	4,320	4,025	4,145	4,405	4,185	4,935
	Quintile 4	5,915	5,480	5,740	6,020	5,900	6,740
	Quintile 5	12,720	10,990	11,235	12,165	11,380	13,150
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	220	225	240	275	255	280
	Quintile 2	375	410	425	450	450	500
	Quintile 3	620	600	625	645	605	680
	Quintile 4	830	835	860	865	845	1,010
	Quintile 5	1,880	1,665	1,850	1,840	1,775	2,025
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	235	230	265	300	285	305
	Quintile 2	390	420	450	495	495	550
	Quintile 3	655	625	690	710	695	765
	Quintile 4	890	880	955	965	990	1,140
	Quintile 5	2,025	1,745	2,110	2,075	2,115	2,300
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	119.4	123.0	129.0	146.0	151.2	176.8
population	Quintile 2	200.5	197.6	199.1	224.9	218.1	264.2
	Quintile 3	290.5	275.0	276.4	300.4	288.8	350.0
	Quintile 4	383.7	359.5	370.5	395.1	390.0	456.7
	Quintile 5	738.6	645.8	646.9	705.0	663.6	780.7
Placed June deadline applicants per	Quintile 1	15.7	15.9	16.8	20.2	19.1	21.4
10,000 population	Quintile 2	26.0	28.5	29.0	31.8	32.3	37.1
	Quintile 3	41.8	41.0	41.7	43.9	41.9	48.2
	Quintile 4	53.9	54.9	55.6	56.8	55.8	68.3
	Quintile 5	109.1	97.8	106.5	106.7	103.4	120.4
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	16.8	16.5	18.8	22.1	21.2	23.5
population	Quintile 2	26.8	29.2	30.8	34.9	35.3	40.6
	Quintile 3	44.1	42.8	45.9	48.6	47.8	54.2
	Quintile 4	57.6	57.7	61.7	63.2	65.4	77.2
	Quintile 5	117.6	102.6	121.6	120.4	123.2	136.5

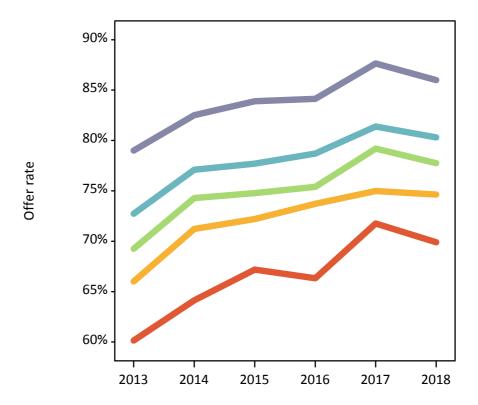
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic PC	DLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,765	1,810	1,915	2,095	2,095	2,395
	Quintile 2	3,005	2,930	3,020	3,275	3,140	3,700
	Quintile 3	4,485	4,155	4,270	4,530	4,290	5,090
	Quintile 4	6,105	5,640	5,860	6,165	6,060	6,925
	Quintile 5	13,095	11,310	11,550	12,465	11,655	13,505
Offers	Quintile 1	1,060	1,160	1,285	1,390	1,505	1,675
	Quintile 2	1,985	2,085	2,180	2,415	2,355	2,760
	Quintile 3	3,105	3,085	3,190	3,415	3,400	3,955
	Quintile 4	4,440	4,345	4,555	4,855	4,930	5,560
	Quintile 5	10,345	9,330	9,690	10,485	10,215	11,615
Offer rate	Quintile 1	60.1%	64.1%	67.2%	66.3%	71.8%	69.9%
	Quintile 2	66.0%	71.2%	72.2%	73.7%	75.0%	74.6%
	Quintile 3	69.2%	74.3%	74.8%	75.4%	79.2%	77.7%
	Quintile 4	72.7%	77.1%	77.7%	78.7%	81.4%	80.3%
	Quintile 5	79.0%	82.5%	83.9%	84.1%	87.6%	86.0%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	61.9%	65.9%	69.0%	69.1%	73.5%	72.0%
	Quintile 2	67.3%	72.6%	72.9%	74.3%	76.4%	75.4%
	Quintile 3	70.0%	74.2%	75.4%	76.2%	79.8%	78.7%
	Quintile 4	72.9%	76.9%	78.1%	79.0%	82.2%	80.6%
	Quintile 5	78.1%	82.0%	83.0%	83.1%	86.3%	84.9%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-1.8	-1.7	-1.8	-2.7	-1.7	-2.1
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-1.2	-1.3	-0.7	-0.6	-1.4	-0.8
	Quintile 3	-0.8	0.1	-0.7	-0.8	-0.6	-0.9
	Quintile 4	-0.1	0.2	-0.4	-0.3	-0.8	-0.3
	Quintile 5	0.9	0.5	0.9	1.0	1.3	1.1
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.132	0.154	0.145	0.151	0.143	0.129
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.163	0.172	0.172	0.170	0.171	0.157
	Quintile 3	0.199	0.210	0.205	0.201	0.201	0.193
	Quintile 4	0.248	0.255	0.253	0.251	0.257	0.243
	Quintile 5	0.508	0.494	0.487	0.486	0.482	0.471

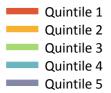
P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

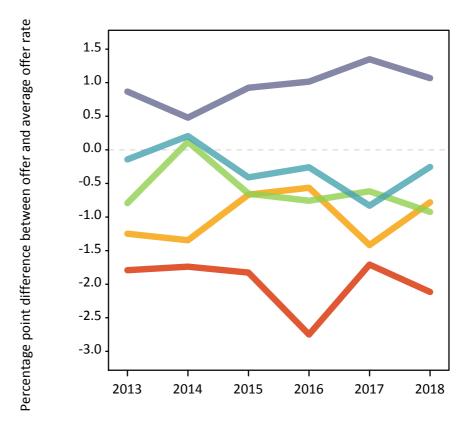
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.





P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	3,105	2,795	3,130	3,300	3,515	4,575
	Black	1,105	1,190	1,260	1,520	1,535	2,140
	Mixed	1,160	1,025	1,195	1,275	1,365	1,595
	White	21,835	19,720	19,885	21,195	19,650	21,770
	Other	240	255	270	310	340	440
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	380	335	410	385	450	500
	Black	140	160	150	215	195	250
	Mixed	160	165	185	195	205	230
	White	3,200	3,035	3,220	3,220	3,010	3,445
	Other	30	30	25	25	50	50
All placed applicants	Asian	420	365	505	485	570	600
	Black	170	175	180	255	260	320
	Mixed	175	175	200	230	245	260
	White	3,380	3,145	3,545	3,510	3,415	3,790
	Other	30	35	35	30	60	60
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	470.9	411.8	442.5	458.9	477.9	616.8
population	Black	371.8	392.6	395.8	485.2	487.8	686.6
	Mixed	428.7	356.3	387.5	405.5	424.9	493.4
	White	347.0	319.7	319.2	350.4	331.1	379.2
	Other	264.7	271.8	279.1	311.5	330.1	417.5
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	57.8	49.4	58.1	53.4	61.4	67.4
10,000 population	Black	47.8	52.5	47.1	68.4	61.3	80.2
	Mixed	59.5	56.7	59.3	62.6	63.2	70.6
	White	50.9	49.2	51.7	53.3	50.7	60.0
	Other	32.0	33.3	27.0	24.1	48.5	47.6
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	64.0	54.0	71.4	67.4	77.2	81.2
population	Black	57.3	57.1	56.9	82.1	82.0	102.0
	Mixed	64.0	60.5	64.2	72.8	76.0	81.1
	White	53.7	50.9	56.9	58.0	57.6	66.0
	Other	32.0	37.6	34.2	29.1	59.2	57.1

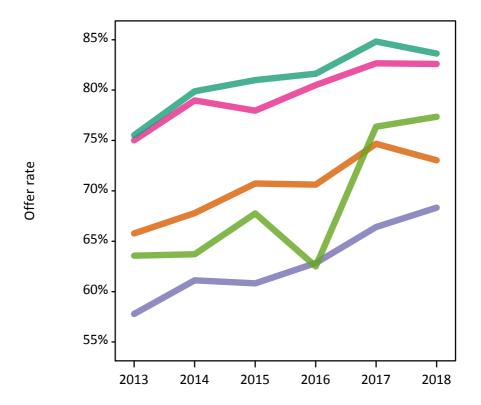
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	3,175	2,870	3,190	3,360	3,590	4,665
	Black	1,125	1,215	1,275	1,545	1,555	2,190
	Mixed	1,195	1,045	1,225	1,300	1,395	1,630
	White	22,605	20,375	20,535	21,840	20,235	22,500
	Other	245	260	275	310	345	445
Offers	Asian	2,090	1,945	2,255	2,375	2,680	3,410
	Black	650	740	775	970	1,030	1,495
	Mixed	895	825	955	1,050	1,155	1,345
	White	17,070	16,275	16,630	17,825	17,160	18,820
	Other	155	165	185	195	265	345
Offer rate	Asian	65.8%	67.8%	70.7%	70.6%	74.7%	73.0%
	Black	57.8%	61.1%	60.8%	62.8%	66.4%	68.3%
	Mixed	75.0%	79.0%	78.0%	80.5%	82.7%	82.6%
	White	75.5%	79.9%	81.0%	81.6%	84.8%	83.6%
	Other	63.6%	63.7%	67.8%	62.5%	76.4%	77.4%
Average offer rate	Asian	65.9%	68.8%	71.0%	71.4%	75.4%	73.6%
	Black	59.0%	62.8%	63.7%	65.2%	68.4%	70.0%
	Mixed	74.6%	78.1%	78.8%	80.2%	82.6%	82.1%
	White	75.4%	79.6%	80.7%	81.3%	84.6%	83.4%
	Other	66.0%	67.3%	68.4%	68.6%	76.7%	78.6%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	-0.1	-1.0	-0.2	-0.8	-0.7	-0.5
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-1.2	-1.7	-2.8	-2.4	-2.0	-1.6
	Mixed	0.4	0.9	-0.9	0.3	0.0	0.5
	White	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2
	Other	-2.4	-3.6	-0.6	-6.1	-0.3	-1.3
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.214	0.217	0.224	0.217	0.229	0.238
offer rate	Black	0.132	0.155	0.140	0.147	0.149	0.142
	Mixed	0.089	0.088	0.089	0.089	0.098	0.080
	White	0.822	0.819	0.802	0.798	0.777	0.747
	Other	0.063	0.076	0.071	0.081	0.067	0.048

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

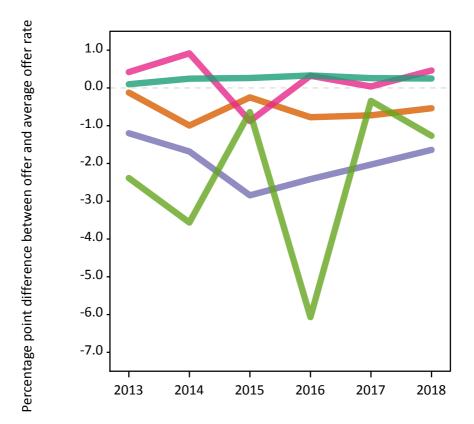
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P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2013-2018.





P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	39,850	37,855	38,870	40,935	38,020	41,950
Placed June deadline applicants	5,330	5,385	5,725	5,775	5,600	6,035
All placed applicants	5,805	5,705	6,480	6,450	6,555	6,805

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	41,670	39,590	40,295	42,395	39,285	43,360
Offers	26,005	25,765	26,695	28,960	28,685	31,790
Offer rate	62.4%	65.1%	66.3%	68.3%	73.0%	73.3%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Men	17,740	16,060	16,990	17,825	17,250	19,070
	Women	22,110	21,800	21,885	23,110	20,770	22,880
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	2,440	2,360	2,595	2,575	2,595	2,815
	Women	2,895	3,025	3,130	3,200	3,005	3,220
All placed applicants	Men	2,615	2,500	2,935	2,870	3,030	3,150
	Women	3,190	3,205	3,545	3,580	3,525	3,650

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Men	18,385	16,690	17,550	18,415	17,775	19,745
	Women	23,285	22,900	22,745	23,980	21,510	23,620
Offers	Men	12,830	11,940	12,600	13,565	13,565	14,975
	Women	13,175	13,825	14,095	15,395	15,120	16,815
Offer rate	Men	69.8%	71.5%	71.8%	73.7%	76.3%	75.9%
	Women	56.6%	60.4%	62.0%	64.2%	70.3%	71.2%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	3,450	3,720	3,760	3,950	3,650	3,910
	Quintile 2	4,725	4,805	4,900	5,270	4,745	5,205
	Quintile 3	6,500	6,360	6,500	6,745	6,230	6,910
	Quintile 4	8,420	8,065	8,340	8,780	8,265	9,040
	Quintile 5	16,680	14,835	15,285	16,120	15,050	16,755
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	410	460	505	520	505	490
	Quintile 2	580	675	670	715	695	685
	Quintile 3	860	875	910	940	900	920
	Quintile 4	1,100	1,145	1,185	1,215	1,195	1,325
	Quintile 5	2,380	2,225	2,440	2,375	2,295	2,595
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	455	490	580	570	575	535
	Quintile 2	610	705	725	795	770	760
	Quintile 3	925	925	1,025	1,040	1,040	1,040
	Quintile 4	1,205	1,210	1,330	1,355	1,410	1,490
	Quintile 5	2,605	2,365	2,805	2,680	2,755	2,960

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	3,770	4,050	3,990	4,210	3,845	4,090
	Quintile 2	5,000	5,070	5,145	5,480	4,925	5,410
	Quintile 3	6,850	6,655	6,730	7,000	6,445	7,150
	Quintile 4	8,755	8,380	8,585	9,040	8,530	9,320
	Quintile 5	17,215	15,355	15,760	16,585	15,460	17,250
Offers	Quintile 1	1,555	1,785	1,885	2,070	2,210	2,400
	Quintile 2	2,575	2,775	2,895	3,260	3,155	3,495
	Quintile 3	3,885	4,020	4,080	4,530	4,435	4,925
	Quintile 4	5,450	5,565	5,760	6,210	6,250	6,860
	Quintile 5	12,495	11,575	12,025	12,855	12,585	14,015
Offer rate	Quintile 1	41.3%	44.0%	47.2%	49.1%	57.5%	58.7%
	Quintile 2	51.5%	54.7%	56.3%	59.4%	64.1%	64.6%
	Quintile 3	56.7%	60.4%	60.6%	64.7%	68.8%	68.9%
	Quintile 4	62.2%	66.4%	67.1%	68.7%	73.2%	73.6%
	Quintile 5	72.6%	75.4%	76.3%	77.5%	81.4%	81.2%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applicants	Asian	4,855	4,470	5,035	5,195	5,280	6,425
	Black	2,500	2,695	2,995	3,370	3,110	3,565
	Mixed	1,700	1,610	1,815	1,945	1,990	2,215
	White	30,110	28,340	28,210	29,475	26,690	28,630
	Other	435	435	495	585	595	715
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	515	500	600	605	660	720
	Black	245	265	295	395	380	375
	Mixed	220	235	265	285	325	315
	White	4,275	4,300	4,480	4,380	4,115	4,490
	Other	45	45	45	50	70	75
All placed applicants	Asian	590	560	735	745	845	865
	Black	290	300	365	460	500	480
	Mixed	245	255	290	325	385	360
	White	4,595	4,505	4,950	4,800	4,670	4,940
	Other	50	50	60	60	90	90

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
June deadline applications	Asian	4,980	4,610	5,150	5,310	5,420	6,590
	Black	2,600	2,825	3,105	3,495	3,180	3,660
	Mixed	1,760	1,665	1,875	2,005	2,045	2,285
	White	31,610	29,705	29,320	30,605	27,660	29,680
	Other	450	450	510	605	615	725
Offers	Asian	2,780	2,705	3,085	3,330	3,655	4,445
	Black	955	1,115	1,210	1,550	1,630	2,050
	Mixed	1,145	1,090	1,250	1,380	1,530	1,710
	White	20,745	20,435	20,665	22,105	21,235	22,800
	Other	230	235	285	340	395	485
Offer rate	Asian	55.8%	58.6%	59.9%	62.8%	67.4%	67.5%
	Black	36.7%	39.4%	39.0%	44.3%	51.3%	56.0%
	Mixed	65.2%	65.4%	66.5%	69.0%	74.8%	74.9%
	White	65.6%	68.8%	70.5%	72.2%	76.8%	76.8%
	Other	51.3%	52.7%	56.2%	56.5%	64.2%	66.7%

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.