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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	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	23,995	25,475	26,095	31,980	29,905	29,590
Placed June deadline applicants	4,120	4,255	4,135	4,655	4,385	4,295
All placed applicants	4,310	4,340	4,285	4,685	4,465	4,530
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	318.6	332.5	348.1	431.6	414.0	418.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	54.7	55.5	55.2	62.8	60.7	60.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	57.2	56.6	57.2	63.2	61.8	64.0

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	24,860	26,355	26,960	33,185	31,045	30,930
Offers	19,795	20,870	22,200	27,135	25,310	25,345
Offer rate	79.6%	79.2%	82.3%	81.8%	81.5%	81.9%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	11,210	11,410	11,315	13,745	12,725	12,290
	Women	12,785	14,065	14,775	18,235	17,180	17,300
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,775	1,770	1,670	1,795	1,705	1,595
	Women	2,340	2,485	2,465	2,860	2,675	2,700
All placed applicants	Men	1,855	1,810	1,720	1,805	1,740	1,680
	Women	2,450	2,530	2,565	2,880	2,730	2,850
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	289.6	290.8	294.6	361.9	343.4	339.2
	Women	349.2	376.3	404.4	505.1	488.2	500.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	45.9	45.1	43.5	47.2	46.1	44.0
	Women	64.0	66.5	67.5	79.2	76.1	78.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	47.9	46.1	44.7	47.5	46.9	46.3
	Women	67.0	67.7	70.3	79.7	77.5	82.5

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	11,650	11,795	11,730	14,265	13,195	12,880
	Women	13,210	14,560	15,230	18,920	17,845	18,050
Offers	Men	8,890	9,145	9,595	11,535	10,540	10,335
	Women	10,910	11,725	12,605	15,605	14,770	15,005
Offer rate	Men	76.3%	77.5%	81.8%	80.8%	79.9%	80.3%
	Women	82.6%	80.5%	82.8%	82.5%	82.8%	83.1%
Average offer rate	Men	77.1%	78.1%	82.0%	81.3%	80.7%	81.2%
	Women	81.8%	80.0%	82.6%	82.2%	82.1%	82.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.8	-0.6	-0.2	-0.4	-0.9	-0.9
	Women	0.7	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.7
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.593	0.577	0.569	0.551	0.551	0.554
	Women	0.641	0.657	0.668	0.662	0.668	0.682

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 2014-2019.

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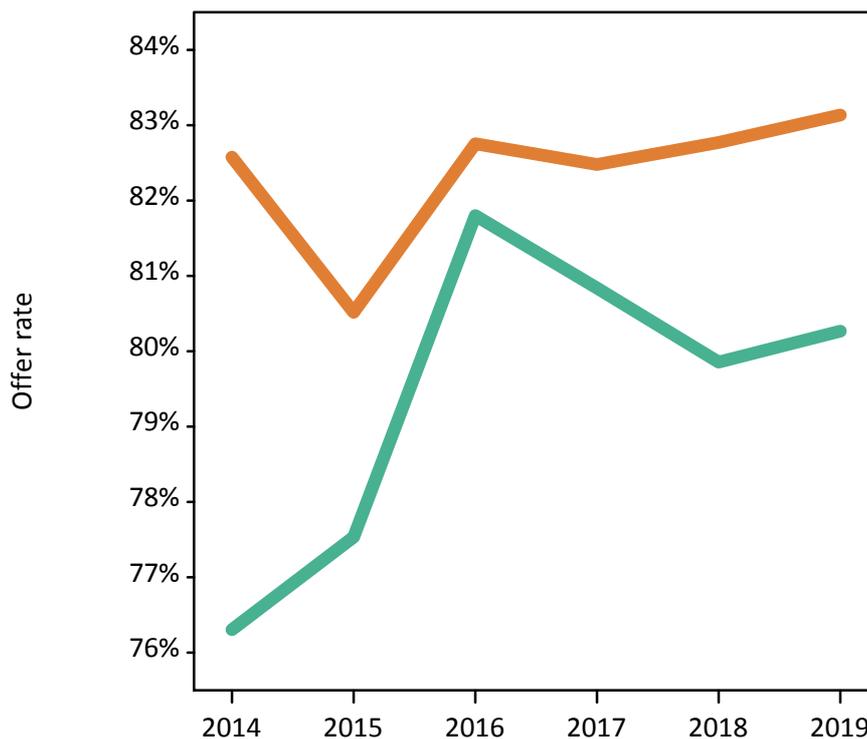
P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex
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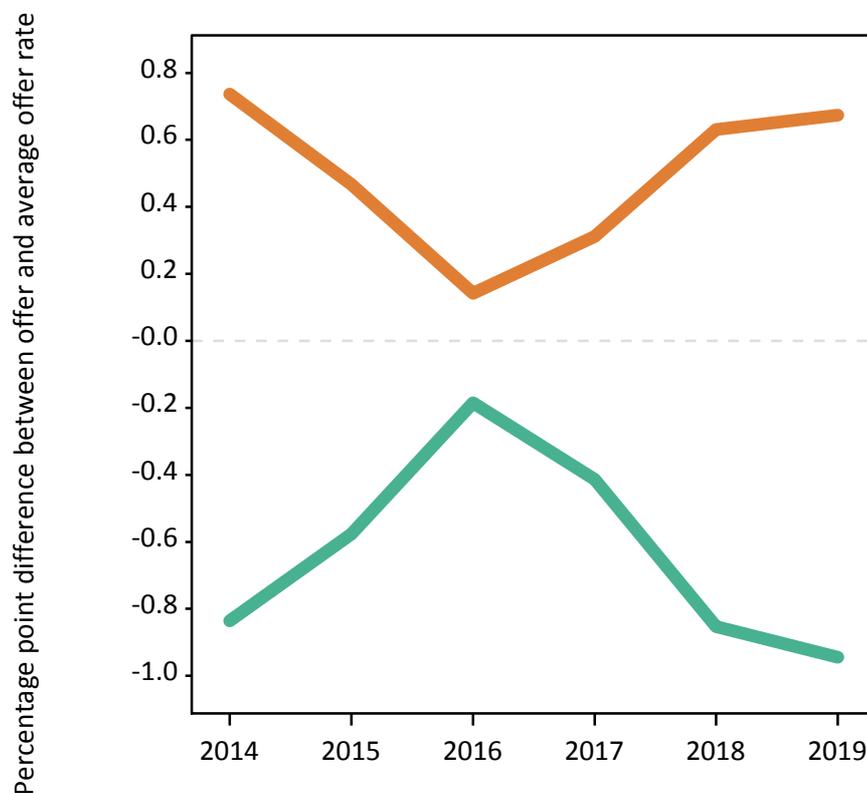
P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,675	1,875	1,975	2,450	2,155	2,325
	Quintile 2	2,860	2,995	3,180	3,855	3,545	3,555
	Quintile 3	4,195	4,610	4,535	5,585	5,330	5,410
	Quintile 4	5,130	5,425	5,550	6,710	6,435	6,140
	Quintile 5	10,105	10,535	10,810	13,310	12,350	12,020
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	230	275	260	275	260	325
	Quintile 2	470	430	460	505	480	485
	Quintile 3	755	805	710	795	720	775
	Quintile 4	850	915	845	940	905	880
	Quintile 5	1,810	1,825	1,855	2,130	2,005	1,815
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	240	285	265	275	265	340
	Quintile 2	485	435	480	505	485	515
	Quintile 3	780	820	735	805	730	820
	Quintile 4	905	940	880	945	920	925
	Quintile 5	1,890	1,860	1,920	2,140	2,050	1,915
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	119.2	132.3	145.1	183.2	165.6	183.3
	Quintile 2	199.1	204.9	224.2	276.2	262.0	269.4
	Quintile 3	286.6	307.6	309.6	385.6	378.0	391.8
	Quintile 4	336.4	350.4	364.0	443.7	436.0	423.6
	Quintile 5	593.8	606.5	626.5	776.2	733.4	724.1
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	16.4	19.4	19.0	20.5	20.1	25.7
	Quintile 2	32.8	29.4	32.4	36.1	35.3	36.7
	Quintile 3	51.4	53.7	48.5	54.9	51.0	56.2
	Quintile 4	55.6	59.1	55.4	62.2	61.5	60.6
	Quintile 5	106.5	105.1	107.5	124.3	119.1	109.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	17.2	20.0	19.6	20.7	20.5	26.7
	Quintile 2	33.9	29.9	33.7	36.3	36.0	38.9
	Quintile 3	53.4	54.6	50.1	55.6	51.8	59.5
	Quintile 4	59.3	60.6	57.7	62.6	62.4	63.9
	Quintile 5	111.1	107.0	111.2	124.8	121.8	115.3

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

| Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,750	1,965	2,045	2,545	2,230	2,445
	Quintile 2	3,000	3,110	3,340	4,005	3,745	3,750
	Quintile 3	4,395	4,800	4,735	5,865	5,565	5,705
	Quintile 4	5,295	5,605	5,695	6,935	6,635	6,390
	Quintile 5	10,385	10,840	11,105	13,760	12,770	12,500
Offers	Quintile 1	1,145	1,325	1,450	1,795	1,605	1,840
	Quintile 2	2,170	2,160	2,470	2,995	2,740	2,790
	Quintile 3	3,265	3,550	3,625	4,540	4,305	4,355
	Quintile 4	4,230	4,505	4,715	5,715	5,450	5,285
	Quintile 5	8,960	9,300	9,900	12,025	11,150	10,975
Offer rate	Quintile 1	65.4%	67.4%	70.9%	70.4%	71.8%	75.3%
	Quintile 2	72.3%	69.5%	74.0%	74.8%	73.1%	74.5%
	Quintile 3	74.3%	74.0%	76.6%	77.4%	77.4%	76.4%
	Quintile 4	79.9%	80.4%	82.8%	82.4%	82.1%	82.7%
	Quintile 5	86.3%	85.8%	89.2%	87.4%	87.3%	87.8%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	68.6%	68.3%	71.9%	72.3%	73.1%	75.3%
	Quintile 2	73.0%	71.0%	75.5%	76.2%	74.9%	75.6%
	Quintile 3	74.1%	74.8%	77.5%	77.7%	78.2%	76.8%
	Quintile 4	79.8%	80.6%	83.2%	82.9%	82.4%	83.3%
	Quintile 5	85.7%	84.7%	88.0%	86.3%	86.1%	87.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-3.2	-0.9	-1.0	-1.9	-1.3	0.0
	Quintile 2	-0.7	-1.5	-1.5	-1.4	-1.7	-1.1
	Quintile 3	0.2	-0.8	-0.9	-0.3	-0.8	-0.4
	Quintile 4	0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5	-0.3	-0.6
	Quintile 5	0.6	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.2	0.8
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.137	0.136	0.133	0.132	0.134	0.134
	Quintile 2	0.176	0.175	0.177	0.167	0.171	0.172
	Quintile 3	0.227	0.228	0.220	0.214	0.218	0.231
	Quintile 4	0.249	0.246	0.243	0.235	0.239	0.235
	Quintile 5	0.479	0.468	0.466	0.465	0.465	0.460

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile
Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

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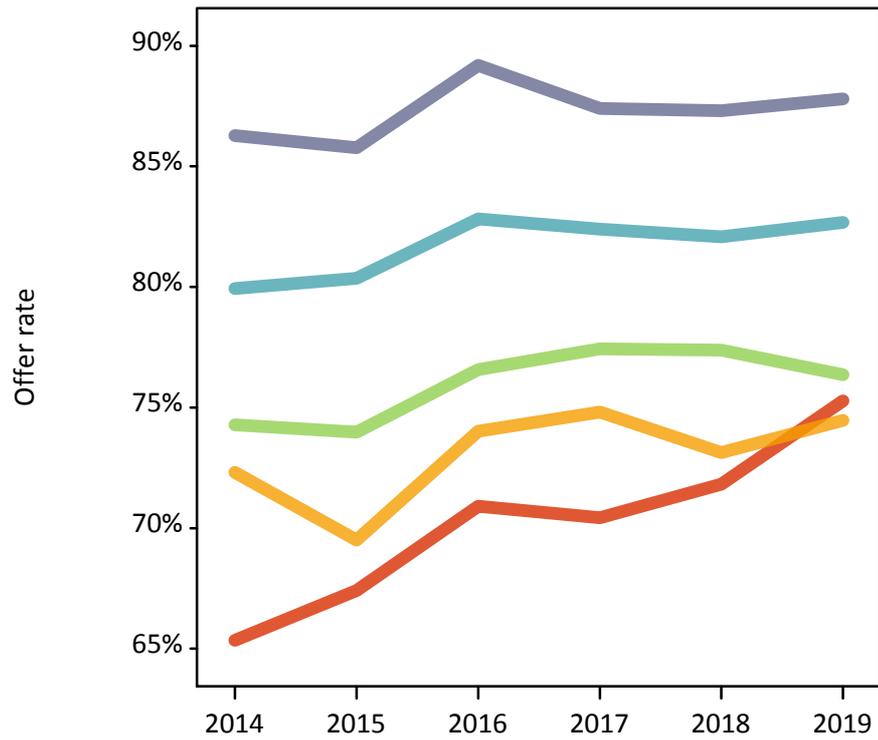
P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile
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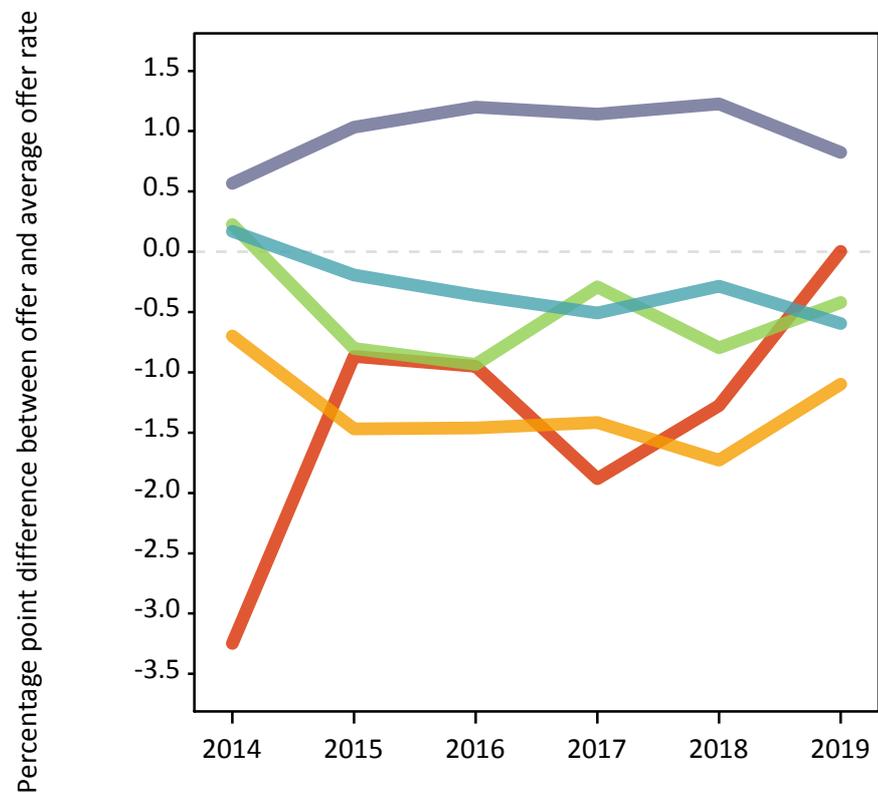
P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	17,550	18,000	18,400	22,125	20,015	19,205
	Black	1,325	1,605	1,725	2,230	2,245	2,425
	Asian	3,640	4,085	4,205	5,215	5,375	5,610
	Mixed	1,060	1,240	1,280	1,745	1,560	1,660
	Other	285	335	310	455	465	490
Placed June deadline applicants	White	3,150	3,160	3,145	3,465	3,205	3,020
	Black	180	195	195	195	210	235
	Asian	545	620	555	700	675	730
	Mixed	185	195	185	220	210	230
	Other	35	50	30	50	50	50
All placed applicants	White	3,255	3,205	3,220	3,480	3,255	3,140
	Black	195	205	205	200	220	260
	Asian	595	645	600	710	690	795
	Mixed	195	205	195	220	215	250
	Other	40	50	35	50	55	55
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	284.4	288.9	304.2	372.8	350.2	347.5
	Black	437.1	504.5	551.3	708.2	697.6	735.0
	Asian	536.9	577.5	584.2	708.5	710.9	719.4
	Mixed	369.1	402.1	406.5	543.0	480.8	504.9
	Other	305.1	346.5	309.5	440.7	433.4	437.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	51.1	50.7	52.0	58.4	56.1	54.7
	Black	59.4	61.6	62.9	62.3	65.3	70.9
	Asian	80.4	87.3	77.0	95.4	89.2	93.6
	Mixed	65.0	63.9	58.8	68.2	64.5	70.2
	Other	37.6	52.9	30.1	46.6	47.5	44.5
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	White	52.8	51.4	53.2	58.7	56.9	56.8
	Black	64.0	64.1	65.8	63.2	69.0	78.2
	Asian	87.9	90.9	83.5	96.2	91.6	101.8
	Mixed	68.5	65.8	62.6	68.8	66.0	76.6
	Other	44.0	53.9	33.2	46.6	49.4	49.0

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	18,125	18,570	18,930	22,875	20,725	19,960
	Black	1,375	1,635	1,775	2,280	2,295	2,510
	Asian	3,845	4,310	4,460	5,525	5,685	6,000
	Mixed	1,085	1,280	1,300	1,800	1,600	1,725
	Other	290	345	315	480	485	530
Offers	White	15,195	15,585	16,410	19,700	17,965	17,455
	Black	875	1,020	1,190	1,560	1,580	1,670
	Asian	2,565	2,885	3,170	3,915	3,945	4,240
	Mixed	870	970	1,075	1,470	1,295	1,420
	Other	185	240	210	330	335	385
Offer rate	White	83.8%	83.9%	86.7%	86.1%	86.7%	87.5%
	Black	63.6%	62.4%	66.9%	68.5%	68.9%	66.6%
	Asian	66.7%	67.0%	71.1%	70.8%	69.4%	70.7%
	Mixed	80.4%	76.1%	82.5%	81.8%	80.8%	82.3%
	Other	63.7%	69.6%	66.7%	68.4%	68.9%	73.0%
Average offer rate	White	83.1%	83.0%	85.9%	85.3%	85.7%	86.5%
	Black	66.5%	66.6%	70.4%	71.8%	72.0%	71.0%
	Asian	68.7%	69.1%	73.2%	72.3%	71.3%	71.7%
	Mixed	80.4%	76.5%	81.5%	81.5%	81.0%	82.9%
	Other	66.7%	69.2%	71.0%	71.7%	73.0%	74.5%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	White	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0
	Black	-2.9	-4.2	-3.5	-3.3	-3.1	-4.4
	Asian	-2.0	-2.1	-2.1	-1.5	-1.9	-1.0
	Mixed	-0.1	-0.5	1.0	0.3	-0.2	-0.6
	Other	-3.0	0.4	-4.3	-3.3	-4.1	-1.6
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	White	0.773	0.752	0.755	0.741	0.724	0.710
	Black	0.147	0.140	0.145	0.145	0.145	0.162
	Asian	0.290	0.294	0.296	0.284	0.301	0.314
	Mixed	0.091	0.093	0.094	0.090	0.084	0.093
	Other	0.071	0.060	0.066	0.070	0.063	0.060

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P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group
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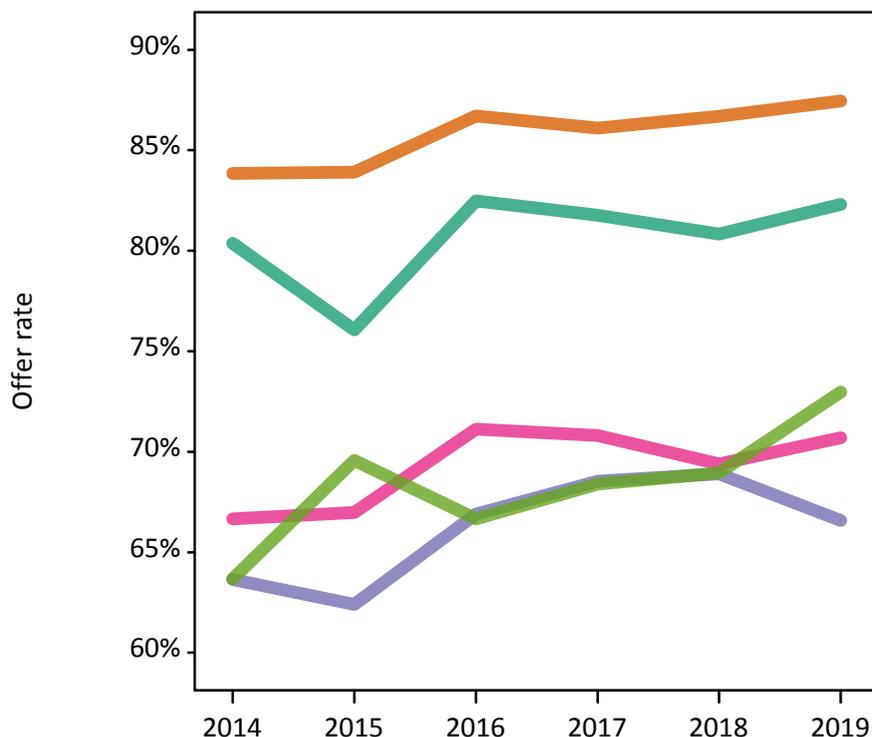
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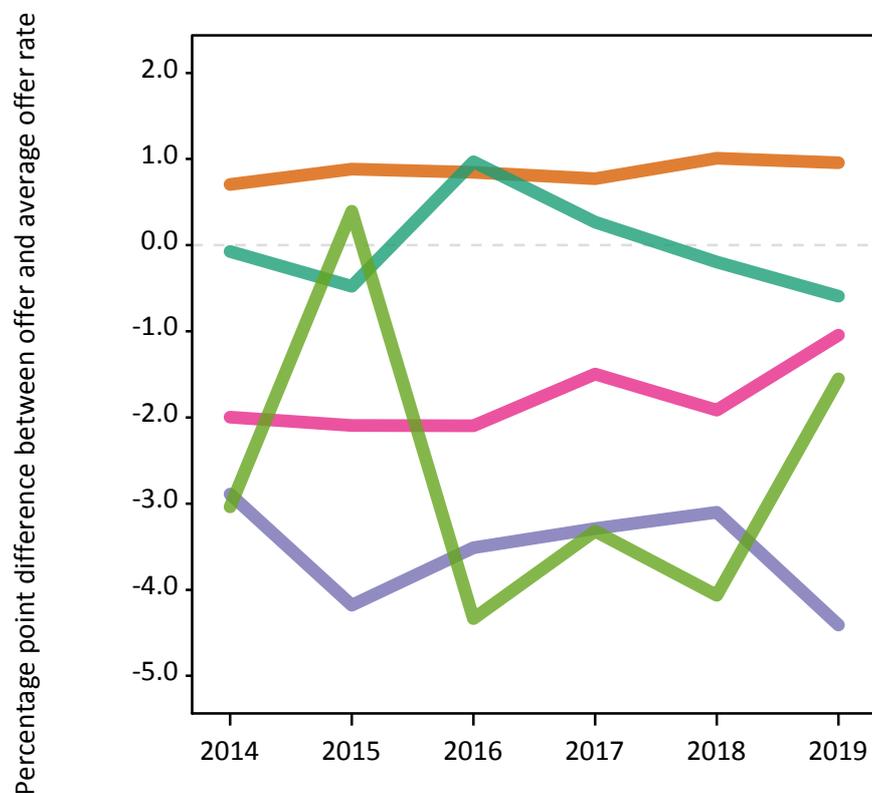
P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	35,400	37,450	37,725	43,090	40,175	39,290
Placed June deadline applicants	5,295	5,400	5,240	5,745	5,440	5,320
All placed applicants	5,570	5,555	5,455	5,800	5,590	5,640

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	36,875	39,020	39,085	44,800	41,815	41,145
Offers	24,685	26,175	27,585	32,610	30,580	30,130
Offer rate	66.9%	67.1%	70.6%	72.8%	73.1%	73.2%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	16,390	16,860	16,440	18,770	17,260	16,545
	Women	19,010	20,590	21,285	24,325	22,915	22,745
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	2,275	2,285	2,130	2,250	2,120	2,025
	Women	3,020	3,115	3,110	3,495	3,320	3,295
All placed applicants	Men	2,395	2,350	2,200	2,265	2,175	2,130
	Women	3,175	3,205	3,250	3,530	3,415	3,505

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	17,120	17,595	17,105	19,545	17,970	17,355
	Women	19,755	21,425	21,980	25,255	23,840	23,790
Offers	Men	11,200	11,750	12,185	14,185	12,910	12,490
	Women	13,485	14,425	15,400	18,425	17,670	17,640
Offer rate	Men	65.4%	66.8%	71.3%	72.6%	71.8%	72.0%
	Women	68.3%	67.3%	70.0%	73.0%	74.1%	74.2%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	3,185	3,295	3,410	3,735	3,320	3,525
	Quintile 2	4,765	4,945	5,045	5,500	5,115	5,030
	Quintile 3	6,640	7,180	6,970	7,915	7,465	7,415
	Quintile 4	7,305	7,845	7,930	8,970	8,510	8,105
	Quintile 5	13,440	14,110	14,295	16,860	15,625	14,990
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	340	365	360	370	365	420
	Quintile 2	640	590	620	630	610	625
	Quintile 3	1,000	1,045	920	1,010	935	995
	Quintile 4	1,075	1,160	1,085	1,145	1,120	1,080
	Quintile 5	2,230	2,230	2,250	2,575	2,390	2,180
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	365	385	375	380	375	440
	Quintile 2	665	605	650	640	635	665
	Quintile 3	1,040	1,075	960	1,030	965	1,060
	Quintile 4	1,145	1,195	1,135	1,150	1,150	1,145
	Quintile 5	2,345	2,285	2,330	2,590	2,455	2,310

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	3,335	3,475	3,535	3,915	3,455	3,705
	Quintile 2	5,015	5,175	5,290	5,710	5,385	5,310
	Quintile 3	7,010	7,550	7,275	8,310	7,825	7,830
	Quintile 4	7,555	8,145	8,185	9,270	8,800	8,450
	Quintile 5	13,895	14,590	14,715	17,485	16,200	15,620
Offers	Quintile 1	1,575	1,700	1,900	2,215	2,045	2,255
	Quintile 2	2,800	2,845	3,130	3,620	3,395	3,410
	Quintile 3	4,205	4,590	4,585	5,565	5,315	5,270
	Quintile 4	5,230	5,640	5,905	6,855	6,530	6,275
	Quintile 5	10,835	11,360	12,015	14,275	13,205	12,790
Offer rate	Quintile 1	47.2%	48.9%	53.8%	56.6%	59.2%	60.8%
	Quintile 2	55.9%	54.9%	59.1%	63.4%	63.0%	64.2%
	Quintile 3	60.0%	60.8%	63.0%	67.0%	67.9%	67.3%
	Quintile 4	69.3%	69.3%	72.1%	73.9%	74.2%	74.3%
	Quintile 5	78.0%	77.8%	81.7%	81.7%	81.5%	81.9%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	23,875	24,305	24,645	28,035	25,435	23,895
	Black	3,020	3,460	3,550	3,880	3,695	4,050
	Asian	6,020	6,800	6,690	7,670	7,745	7,960
	Mixed	1,685	1,880	1,915	2,395	2,160	2,245
	Other	540	615	590	725	735	800
Placed June deadline applicants	White	3,955	3,880	3,845	4,150	3,850	3,615
	Black	240	280	295	270	295	325
	Asian	765	875	770	935	910	985
	Mixed	245	250	250	290	275	285
	Other	50	65	45	65	70	75
All placed applicants	White	4,090	3,960	3,945	4,180	3,930	3,770
	Black	265	295	315	275	320	360
	Asian	850	925	840	945	935	1,070
	Mixed	260	255	260	290	285	310
	Other	55	70	45	65	75	80

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	24,790	25,260	25,420	29,060	26,425	24,900
	Black	3,135	3,550	3,655	3,980	3,800	4,180
	Asian	6,365	7,195	7,090	8,100	8,175	8,490
	Mixed	1,745	1,950	1,970	2,485	2,225	2,345
	Other	555	650	605	775	765	865
Offers	White	18,365	18,820	19,665	23,010	21,125	20,130
	Black	1,225	1,480	1,670	2,030	2,020	2,165
	Asian	3,520	4,055	4,355	5,075	5,105	5,375
	Mixed	1,140	1,245	1,360	1,815	1,615	1,700
	Other	270	340	315	445	460	520
Offer rate	White	74.1%	74.5%	77.4%	79.2%	79.9%	80.8%
	Black	39.1%	41.7%	45.7%	51.0%	53.2%	51.8%
	Asian	55.3%	56.4%	61.5%	62.6%	62.5%	63.3%
	Mixed	65.3%	63.9%	68.9%	72.9%	72.6%	72.5%
	Other	48.8%	51.9%	52.4%	57.2%	59.9%	59.9%

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 2019 cycle runs from September 2018 through to October 2019.

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.

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 2019 End of Cycle Report and the 2019 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.