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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	17,945	17,540	18,065	17,045	16,630	17,580
Placed June deadline applicants	2,900	2,925	3,135	3,050	3,265	3,205
All placed applicants	3,270	3,340	3,750	3,670	3,980	4,110
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	238.3	228.9	241.0	230.1	230.2	248.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	38.5	38.2	41.8	41.1	45.2	45.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	43.4	43.6	50.0	49.5	55.1	58.1

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	18,885	18,355	18,895	17,960	17,610	18,685
Offers	14,230	13,795	14,125	14,195	14,300	15,275
Offer rate	75.4%	75.2%	74.8%	79.0%	81.2%	81.7%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	7,375	7,125	7,105	6,700	6,600	6,760
	Women	10,570	10,415	10,960	10,345	10,030	10,815
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,120	1,130	1,180	1,210	1,285	1,205
	Women	1,780	1,795	1,955	1,840	1,985	2,000
All placed applicants	Men	1,270	1,280	1,460	1,525	1,615	1,640
	Women	2,000	2,060	2,290	2,150	2,365	2,470
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	190.5	181.5	185.0	176.4	178.1	186.7
population	Women	288.8	278.7	300.0	286.6	285.0	313.0
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	28.9	28.7	30.7	31.8	34.6	33.2
10,000 population	Women	48.6	48.1	53.5	50.9	56.4	57.9
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	32.8	32.6	38.0	40.1	43.6	45.3
population	Women	54.6	55.2	62.7	59.5	67.2	71.5

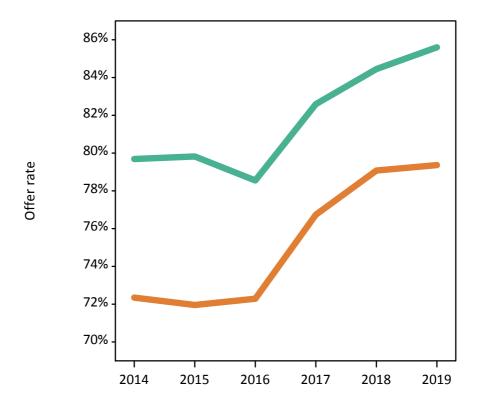
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	7,770	7,460	7,435	7,060	6,975	7,155
	Women	11,110	10,895	11,460	10,900	10,635	11,525
Offers	Men	6,195	5,955	5,840	5,830	5,890	6,125
	Women	8,040	7,840	8,285	8,365	8,410	9,145
Offer rate	Men	79.7%	79.8%	78.5%	82.6%	84.4%	85.6%
	Women	72.3%	72.0%	72.3%	76.7%	79.1%	79.4%
Average offer rate	Men	81.0%	80.4%	79.3%	83.4%	85.2%	86.5%
	Women	71.4%	71.6%	71.8%	76.2%	78.6%	78.8%
Percentage point difference between	Men	-1.4	-0.6	-0.7	-0.8	-0.7	-0.9
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	1.0	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.553	0.549	0.534	0.546	0.551	0.533
offer rate	Women	0.687	0.691	0.698	0.706	0.706	0.710

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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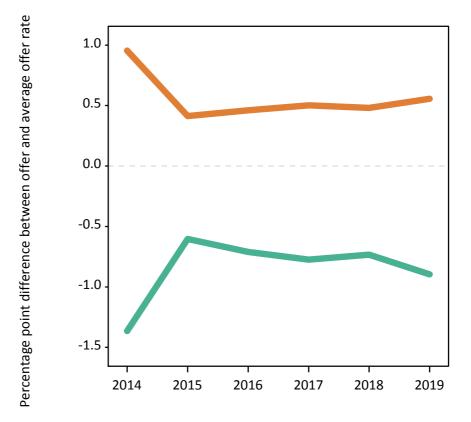




P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.





P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,550	1,560	1,545	1,650	1,550	1,660
	Quintile 2	2,535	2,475	2,655	2,535	2,420	2,600
	Quintile 3	3,320	3,350	3,270	3,250	3,075	3,260
	Quintile 4	3,820	3,805	3,950	3,695	3,520	3,715
	Quintile 5	6,690	6,315	6,610	5,885	6,020	6,250
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	280	275	280	305	290	315
	Quintile 2	430	465	525	460	470	510
	Quintile 3	570	595	630	595	645	625
	Quintile 4	655	630	675	660	705	690
	Quintile 5	955	955	1,020	1,025	1,145	1,050
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	305	300	305	340	330	375
	Quintile 2	470	530	595	530	555	605
	Quintile 3	640	660	725	690	770	765
	Quintile 4	735	720	800	800	845	870
	Quintile 5	1,115	1,125	1,315	1,310	1,470	1,475
June deadline applicants per 10,00	0 Quintile 1	110.3	110.3	113.6	123.2	119.1	130.9
population	Quintile 2	176.5	169.6	187.1	181.5	178.8	197.0
	Quintile 3	226.7	223.4	223.2	224.4	218.2	236.3
	Quintile 4	250.7	245.5	259.0	244.4	238.6	256.2
	Quintile 5	393.1	363.5	383.1	343.2	357.4	376.6
Placed June deadline applicants pe	er Quintile 1	20.0	19.4	20.4	22.6	22.4	25.0
10,000 population	Quintile 2	29.9	31.9	36.9	33.0	34.9	38.8
	Quintile 3	38.9	39.6	43.0	40.9	45.7	45.3
	Quintile 4	43.0	40.5	44.4	43.7	47.9	47.5
	Quintile 5	56.2	55.1	59.1	59.8	67.9	63.1
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	21.6	21.0	22.3	25.3	25.5	29.7
population	Quintile 2	32.6	36.4	41.9	38.0	40.8	45.9
	Quintile 3	43.6	43.9	49.6	47.6	54.6	55.6
	Quintile 4	48.3	46.6	52.6	52.8	57.4	59.9
	Quintile 5	65.6	64.8	76.3	76.3	87.2	88.8

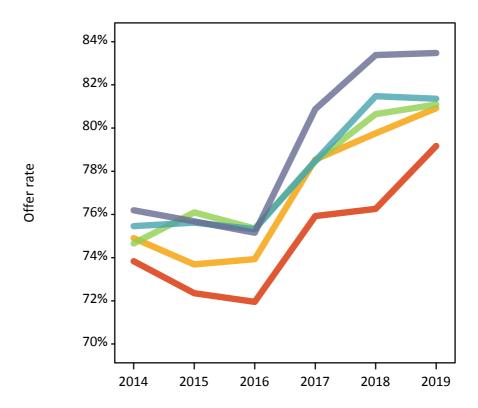
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic PC	DLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,680	1,655	1,640	1,780	1,645	1,785
	Quintile 2	2,725	2,645	2,850	2,700	2,620	2,835
	Quintile 3	3,535	3,525	3,435	3,470	3,300	3,545
	Quintile 4	4,005	3,975	4,115	3,880	3,750	3,925
	Quintile 5	6,905	6,520	6,815	6,095	6,245	6,495
Offers	Quintile 1	1,240	1,195	1,180	1,355	1,255	1,415
	Quintile 2	2,040	1,950	2,105	2,120	2,090	2,295
	Quintile 3	2,640	2,685	2,590	2,720	2,665	2,875
	Quintile 4	3,020	3,005	3,100	3,045	3,055	3,195
	Quintile 5	5,260	4,935	5,125	4,930	5,210	5,420
Offer rate	Quintile 1	73.8%	72.4%	72.0%	75.9%	76.3%	79.2%
	Quintile 2	74.9%	73.7%	73.9%	78.5%	79.8%	80.9%
	Quintile 3	74.7%	76.1%	75.3%	78.5%	80.6%	81.1%
	Quintile 4	75.5%	75.6%	75.3%	78.5%	81.5%	81.4%
	Quintile 5	76.2%	75.7%	75.2%	80.9%	83.4%	83.5%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	72.6%	71.5%	72.1%	75.7%	77.2%	79.3%
	Quintile 2	74.3%	74.1%	74.0%	78.2%	80.2%	81.4%
	Quintile 3	74.9%	76.0%	75.3%	78.8%	80.3%	81.3%
	Quintile 4	75.7%	76.1%	75.6%	79.1%	81.9%	82.2%
	Quintile 5	76.5%	75.5%	75.0%	80.5%	82.9%	82.7%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	1.3	0.9	-0.2	0.2	-0.9	-0.2
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	0.6	-0.4	-0.0	0.3	-0.4	-0.4
	Quintile 3	-0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.4	-0.2
	Quintile 4	-0.2	-0.5	-0.3	-0.6	-0.4	-0.8
	Quintile 5	-0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.8
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.172	0.167	0.175	0.188	0.180	0.174
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.214	0.214	0.219	0.218	0.219	0.221
	Quintile 3	0.237	0.243	0.235	0.249	0.241	0.247
	Quintile 4	0.255	0.262	0.265	0.263	0.261	0.257
	Quintile 5	0.426	0.418	0.424	0.405	0.419	0.413

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

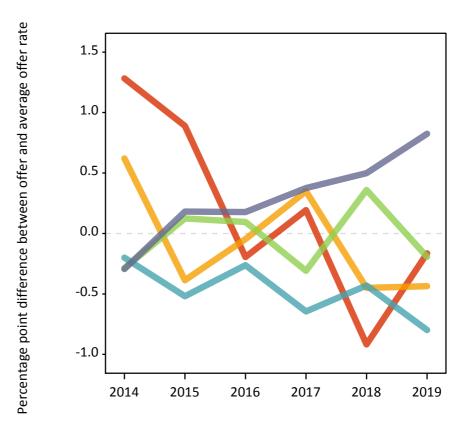
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.





P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	15,215	14,770	14,980	14,055	13,430	13,895
	Black	360	355	430	400	420	500
	Asian	1,525	1,535	1,725	1,600	1,805	2,055
	Mixed	595	615	635	685	655	735
	Other	175	170	195	200	205	275
Placed June deadline applicants	White	2,575	2,580	2,765	2,670	2,755	2,735
	Black	40	40	50	50	55	65
	Asian	175	175	175	185	270	250
	Mixed	85	95	110	110	125	110
	Other	10	30	15	20	30	35
All placed applicants	White	2,880	2,915	3,250	3,145	3,280	3,440
	Black	50	50	70	65	80	90
	Asian	210	220	235	270	360	360
	Mixed	100	115	140	140	170	155
	Other	20	30	30	30	50	45
June deadline applicants per 10,000	White	246.6	237.1	247.6	236.9	235.0	251.4
population	Black	118.1	110.9	137.4	127.7	130.3	152.2
	Asian	225.0	216.7	239.4	217.7	239.0	263.5
	Mixed	207.2	199.1	201.5	213.1	202.0	222.8
	Other	190.2	175.3	198.0	196.1	190.2	245.0
Placed June deadline applicants per	White	41.8	41.4	45.7	45.0	48.2	49.5
10,000 population	Black	12.5	12.3	15.3	15.3	17.7	19.1
	Asian	26.0	24.4	24.2	25.1	35.5	32.1
	Mixed	29.2	30.5	34.6	34.0	38.2	33.1
	Other	11.8	29.0	17.1	19.4	29.8	32.1
All placed applicants per 10,000	White	46.7	46.8	53.7	53.0	57.4	62.2
population	Black	16.2	15.4	22.4	20.7	24.3	27.0
	Asian	30.8	31.4	32.7	36.7	47.9	46.2
	Mixed	34.4	36.6	44.5	43.0	52.4	47.7
	Other	19.3	33.2	30.1	31.1	47.5	41.9

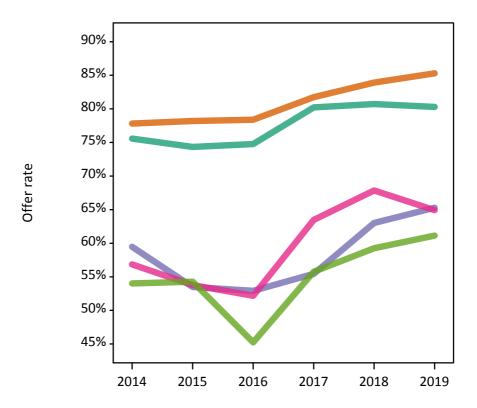
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic I	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	16,040	15,475	15,700	14,850	14,265	14,795
	Black	375	360	445	415	430	525
	Asian	1,585	1,600	1,785	1,660	1,890	2,170
	Mixed	620	645	650	715	685	765
	Other	185	175	210	215	215	300
Offers	White	12,480	12,100	12,305	12,140	11,970	12,620
	Black	225	190	235	230	270	345
	Asian	900	860	930	1,055	1,285	1,410
	Mixed	465	480	485	570	555	615
	Other	100	95	95	120	130	185
Offer rate	White	77.8%	78.2%	78.4%	81.7%	83.9%	85.3%
	Black	59.5%	53.5%	52.9%	55.4%	63.0%	65.3%
	Asian	56.9%	53.8%	52.2%	63.5%	67.9%	64.9%
	Mixed	75.6%	74.3%	74.8%	80.2%	80.7%	80.3%
	Other	54.0%	54.3%	45.2%	55.8%	59.3%	61.1%
Average offer rate	White	77.6%	77.7%	78.0%	81.3%	83.4%	84.5%
	Black	60.8%	58.0%	58.0%	63.4%	67.2%	69.3%
	Asian	58.1%	57.0%	54.2%	65.0%	69.4%	67.6%
	Mixed	74.8%	74.8%	73.9%	78.6%	82.2%	82.3%
	Other	57.9%	55.1%	50.8%	60.9%	67.4%	65.8%
Percentage point difference between	White	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.7
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-1.3	-4.5	-5.1	-7.9	-4.2	-4.0
	Asian	-1.3	-3.2	-2.0	-1.5	-1.5	-2.7
	Mixed	0.8	-0.5	0.8	1.6	-1.5	-2.0
	Other	-3.9	-0.9	-5.6	-5.2	-8.2	-4.6
Contribution of group to the average	White	0.874	0.869	0.863	0.856	0.845	0.829
offer rate	Black	0.124	0.109	0.109	0.107	0.118	0.100
	Asian	0.232	0.241	0.257	0.242	0.281	0.270
	Mixed	0.091	0.103	0.101	0.097	0.111	0.109
	Other	0.087	0.084	0.080	0.089	0.084	0.087

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

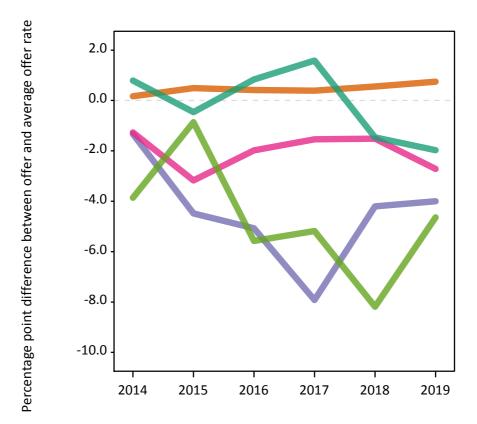
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P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.





P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	28,260	28,015	28,340	26,025	25,285	25,850
Placed June deadline applicants	4,390	4,560	4,855	4,730	4,840	4,730
All placed applicants	4,970	5,200	5,715	5,650	5,885	5,960

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	30,080	29,730	30,005	27,725	27,035	27,765
Offers	19,175	19,080	19,395	19,285	19,235	20,135
Offer rate	63.8%	64.2%	64.6%	69.6%	71.1%	72.5%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	11,385	11,360	11,070	10,180	9,760	9,700
	Women	16,875	16,655	17,270	15,845	15,525	16,150
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,700	1,840	1,885	1,905	1,870	1,780
	Women	2,690	2,720	2,970	2,825	2,970	2,950
All placed applicants	Men	1,935	2,100	2,285	2,365	2,365	2,370
	Women	3,035	3,100	3,430	3,285	3,525	3,590

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	12,155	12,100	11,720	10,855	10,430	10,405
	Women	17,925	17,630	18,290	16,865	16,605	17,355
Offers	Men	8,515	8,485	8,230	8,085	7,915	8,095
	Women	10,660	10,595	11,165	11,200	11,320	12,040
Offer rate	Men	70.0%	70.1%	70.2%	74.5%	75.9%	77.8%
	Women	59.5%	60.1%	61.0%	66.4%	68.2%	69.4%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic PC	DLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	3,090	3,165	3,130	3,045	2,965	3,075
	Quintile 2	4,385	4,415	4,620	4,260	4,060	4,155
	Quintile 3	5,360	5,365	5,275	4,990	4,770	4,815
	Quintile 4	5,885	5,790	5,910	5,390	5,125	5,280
	Quintile 5	9,485	9,205	9,345	8,270	8,305	8,375
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	500	520	545	575	525	565
	Quintile 2	720	750	865	755	755	775
	Quintile 3	835	915	950	895	940	900
	Quintile 4	965	960	1,005	1,000	1,025	955
	Quintile 5	1,360	1,400	1,480	1,495	1,585	1,510
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	550	575	595	645	605	660
	Quintile 2	790	855	980	880	895	910
	Quintile 3	935	1,015	1,080	1,040	1,125	1,100
	Quintile 4	1,090	1,100	1,185	1,190	1,230	1,210
	Quintile 5	1,590	1,640	1,860	1,890	2,020	2,050

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	3,385	3,430	3,380	3,325	3,215	3,380
	Quintile 2	4,800	4,780	5,020	4,600	4,435	4,585
	Quintile 3	5,745	5,725	5,570	5,365	5,130	5,245
	Quintile 4	6,205	6,115	6,220	5,710	5,475	5,625
	Quintile 5	9,890	9,610	9,750	8,655	8,715	8,765
Offers	Quintile 1	1,910	1,935	1,905	2,065	1,925	2,150
	Quintile 2	2,875	2,865	3,055	3,015	2,960	3,140
	Quintile 3	3,545	3,650	3,600	3,675	3,600	3,725
	Quintile 4	4,040	4,040	4,120	4,065	4,015	4,155
	Quintile 5	6,770	6,545	6,675	6,425	6,695	6,850
Offer rate	Quintile 1	56.4%	56.4%	56.3%	62.2%	59.9%	63.7%
	Quintile 2	59.9%	60.0%	60.8%	65.5%	66.7%	68.5%
	Quintile 3	61.7%	63.8%	64.7%	68.5%	70.1%	71.0%
	Quintile 4	65.1%	66.1%	66.3%	71.2%	73.4%	73.8%
	Quintile 5	68.5%	68.1%	68.5%	74.2%	76.8%	78.2%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	23,275	22,805	22,870	20,860	19,860	20,105
	Black	920	955	1,035	975	985	1,015
	Asian	2,590	2,735	2,820	2,600	2,785	3,015
	Mixed	945	975	1,015	1,005	1,055	1,045
	Other	350	340	390	380	390	480
Placed June deadline applicants	White	3,860	3,965	4,185	4,060	4,035	3,980
	Black	80	85	115	100	115	120
	Asian	270	300	310	320	385	355
	Mixed	125	145	165	165	205	190
	Other	25	45	45	45	55	65
All placed applicants	White	4,330	4,450	4,835	4,735	4,785	4,900
	Black	100	115	155	150	160	165
	Asian	320	385	410	445	520	510
	Mixed	150	170	210	200	265	255
	Other	40	55	60	70	80	80

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	24,805	24,240	24,255	22,260	21,300	21,620
	Black	975	1,000	1,105	1,030	1,025	1,070
	Asian	2,740	2,890	2,945	2,720	2,940	3,210
	Mixed	995	1,030	1,055	1,070	1,120	1,120
	Other	380	360	425	420	420	535
Offers	White	16,570	16,385	16,555	16,200	15,855	16,465
	Black	390	375	450	430	450	515
	Asian	1,300	1,350	1,385	1,550	1,780	1,900
	Mixed	645	675	705	760	795	825
	Other	165	180	180	205	215	280
Offer rate	White	66.8%	67.6%	68.2%	72.8%	74.4%	76.1%
	Black	40.1%	37.5%	40.9%	41.7%	43.9%	48.3%
	Asian	47.5%	46.8%	47.0%	56.9%	60.5%	59.2%
	Mixed	64.9%	65.9%	66.8%	70.7%	71.0%	73.5%
	Other	43.0%	49.7%	42.6%	48.6%	50.7%	52.3%

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 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.

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 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.