# Sex, area background and ethnic group



### **H12 Harper Adams University**

Cycle years: 2014 - 2019

Cycle Reference Point: End of Cycle

Applicant coverage: UK domiciled

Reporting groups: Sex, POLAR4, ethnic group

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

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

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	1,250	1,295	1,320	1,250	1,360	1,305
Placed June deadline applicants	405	440	420	420	410	430
All placed applicants	435	495	450	460	445	470
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	16.6	16.9	17.6	16.9	18.8	18.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	5.4	5.8	5.6	5.7	5.7	6.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	5.8	6.4	6.0	6.2	6.2	6.6

# P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	1,730	1,820	1,805	1,675	1,795	1,750
Offers	1,200	1,210	1,135	1,220	1,265	1,380
Offer rate	69.3%	66.5%	62.7%	72.9%	70.5%	78.9%

# P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	480	500	470	445	445	495
	Women	770	795	855	810	910	810
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	195	210	190	160	175	195
	Women	210	230	230	260	235	235
All placed applicants	Men	210	230	195	170	190	205
	Women	225	265	250	290	255	265
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	12.4	12.7	12.2	11.7	12.1	13.6
population	Women	21.1	21.2	23.4	22.4	25.9	23.5
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	5.1	5.4	4.9	4.2	4.8	5.4
10,000 population	Women	5.7	6.1	6.3	7.2	6.7	6.8
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	5.5	5.8	5.1	4.4	5.1	5.7
population	Women	6.1	7.1	6.9	8.1	7.3	7.6

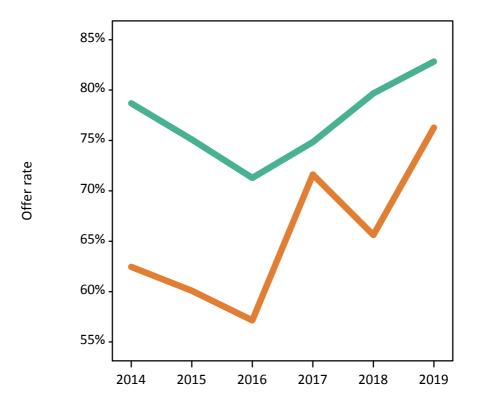
# P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	730	775	715	650	625	710
	Women	1,000	1,045	1,090	1,030	1,170	1,035
Offers	Men	575	580	510	485	500	590
	Women	625	630	625	735	765	790
Offer rate	Men	78.7%	75.1%	71.3%	74.8%	79.7%	82.8%
	Women	62.5%	60.1%	57.1%	71.6%	65.6%	76.3%
Average offer rate	Men	77.3%	75.6%	70.7%	76.5%	78.2%	83.2%
	Women	63.5%	59.7%	57.5%	70.6%	66.4%	76.1%
Percentage point difference between	Men	1.4	-0.5	0.5	-1.7	1.4	-0.3
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	-1.0	0.4	-0.4	1.1	-0.8	0.2
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.672	0.650	0.617	0.613	0.610	0.634
offer rate	Women	0.759	0.740	0.750	0.756	0.792	0.749

### P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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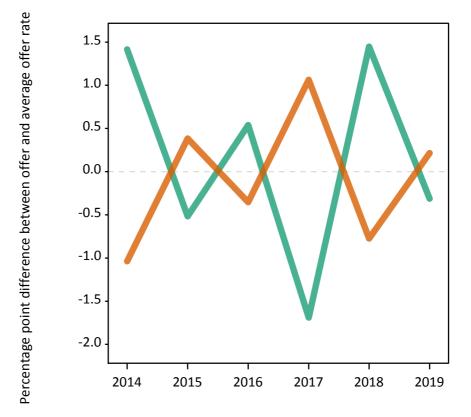




P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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# P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

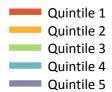
Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	85	95	105	105	110	120
	Quintile 2	160	150	160	145	190	170
	Quintile 3	250	275	260	240	290	270
	Quintile 4	335	370	370	365	360	340
	Quintile 5	420	400	425	395	405	400
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	15	25	20	25	20	30
	Quintile 2	40	45	40	40	50	45
	Quintile 3	80	95	90	80	95	90
	Quintile 4	120	140	125	140	105	125
	Quintile 5	150	140	150	135	140	135
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	15	25	25	25	20	35
	Quintile 2	40	50	40	40	55	50
	Quintile 3	85	110	90	90	105	95
	Quintile 4	130	155	135	150	115	140
	Quintile 5	165	155	160	150	150	150
June deadline applicants per 10,00	0 Quintile 1	6.2	6.6	7.6	7.7	8.3	9.5
population	Quintile 2	11.0	10.3	11.1	10.5	14.2	12.7
	Quintile 3	17.1	18.3	17.8	16.7	20.6	19.6
	Quintile 4	22.0	24.0	24.1	24.2	24.5	23.6
	Quintile 5	24.8	23.1	24.6	22.9	24.0	24.1
Placed June deadline applicants pe	r Quintile 1	1.2	1.7	1.5	1.9	1.5	2.4
10,000 population	Quintile 2	2.6	2.9	2.7	2.7	3.5	3.4
	Quintile 3	5.5	6.3	6.0	5.4	6.9	6.4
	Quintile 4	7.7	9.0	8.1	9.3	7.3	8.7
	Quintile 5	8.9	8.0	8.6	7.9	8.3	8.1
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	1.2	1.8	1.7	1.9	1.6	2.6
population	Quintile 2	2.7	3.3	3.0	3.0	4.1	3.9
	Quintile 3	5.8	7.2	6.0	6.4	7.3	6.8
	Quintile 4	8.5	10.1	8.7	9.9	7.9	9.7
	Quintile 5	9.8	8.9	9.3	8.7	9.0	9.0

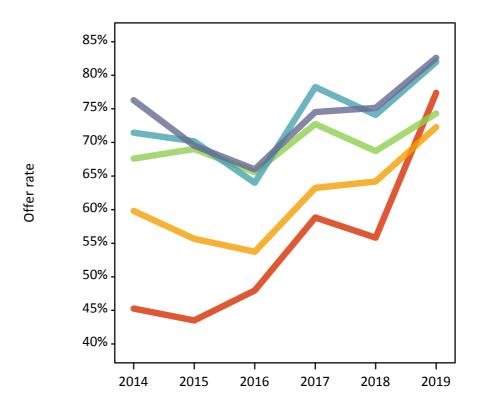
# P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic PO	LAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	105	110	125	120	120	145
	Quintile 2	210	210	200	185	255	230
	Quintile 3	355	395	365	335	405	370
	Quintile 4	465	535	515	500	470	460
	Quintile 5	595	570	595	535	540	535
Offers	Quintile 1	50	45	60	70	65	115
	Quintile 2	125	120	110	115	165	165
	Quintile 3	240	270	240	245	280	275
	Quintile 4	335	375	330	390	350	380
	Quintile 5	455	395	390	400	405	440
Offer rate	Quintile 1	45.3%	43.5%	48.0%	58.8%	55.8%	77.4%
	Quintile 2	59.8%	55.7%	53.7%	63.2%	64.2%	72.3%
	Quintile 3	67.6%	69.0%	65.6%	72.8%	68.7%	74.3%
	Quintile 4	71.5%	70.2%	64.0%	78.2%	74.1%	82.0%
	Quintile 5	76.3%	69.5%	66.0%	74.5%	75.1%	82.6%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	49.3%	52.3%	42.8%	66.1%	59.9%	76.3%
	Quintile 2	59.8%	59.0%	58.1%	68.8%	67.0%	76.1%
	Quintile 3	68.5%	65.2%	63.3%	72.6%	70.4%	76.5%
	Quintile 4	71.4%	68.7%	63.1%	73.9%	72.3%	80.2%
	Quintile 5	75.1%	70.6%	67.7%	75.2%	73.2%	81.3%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-4.0	-8.8	5.2	-7.3	-4.1	1.0
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	0.0	-3.3	-4.3	-5.5	-2.8	-3.8
	Quintile 3	-0.9	3.8	2.2	0.2	-1.7	-2.2
	Quintile 4	0.0	1.4	0.9	4.4	1.8	1.8
	Quintile 5	1.2	-1.1	-1.7	-0.7	1.9	1.3
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.175	0.193	0.212	0.182	0.160	0.170
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.212	0.202	0.192	0.219	0.219	0.225
	Quintile 3	0.280	0.279	0.268	0.270	0.301	0.297
	Quintile 4	0.332	0.360	0.361	0.367	0.349	0.357
	Quintile 5	0.417	0.384	0.426	0.394	0.384	0.403

### P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

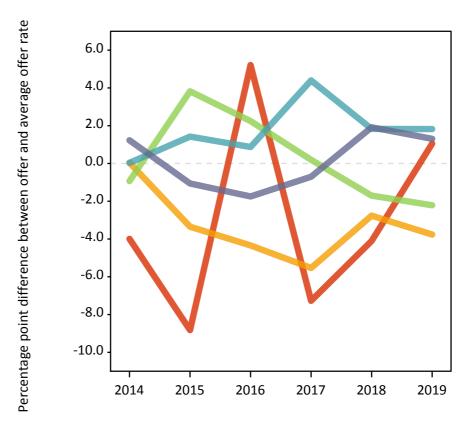
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**P.10** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.





# P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	1,225	1,265	1,280	1,215	1,310	1,245
	Black	5	5	5	10	5	5
	Asian	5	5	10	15	20	20
	Mixed	10	15	15	15	15	30
	Other	0	0	5	0	5	5
Placed June deadline applicants	White	400	440	420	415	400	415
	Black	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Asian	0	0	0	0	0	5
	Mixed	0	0	0	0	5	10
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
All placed applicants	White	435	490	445	455	435	455
	Black	0	0	0	0	0	5
	Asian	0	0	0	0	0	5
	Mixed	0	5	0	5	5	10
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
June deadline applicants per 10,000	White	19.9	20.3	21.2	20.4	22.9	22.5
population	Black	1.3	2.2	2.2	2.5	1.6	1.5
	Asian	1.0	0.7	1.4	1.9	2.4	2.6
	Mixed	4.2	4.9	5.4	4.7	4.3	8.8
	Other	0.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	4.7	3.6
Placed June deadline applicants per	White	6.5	7.0	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.5
10,000 population	Black	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6
	Mixed	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	2.4
	Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
All placed applicants per 10,000	White	7.0	7.8	7.4	7.7	7.6	8.2
population	Black	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9
	Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8
	Mixed	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.9	0.9	2.4
	Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

# P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	1,700	1,785	1,765	1,630	1,735	1,680
	Black	5	10	5	10	5	5
	Asian	10	5	10	15	20	20
	Mixed	15	15	20	20	15	35
	Other	5	0	5	0	5	5
Offers	White	1,185	1,200	1,115	1,195	1,235	1,335
	Black	0	5	0	5	5	5
	Asian	5	0	5	10	10	15
	Mixed	5	5	10	10	5	20
	Other	0	0	0	0	5	5
Offer rate	White	69.8%	67.2%	63.1%	73.3%	71.3%	79.4%
	Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Asian	N/A	N/A	0.0%	66.7%	57.1%	71.4%
	Mixed	50.0%	29.4%	61.1%	55.0%	35.3%	66.7%
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Average offer rate	White	69.5%	66.8%	62.9%	73.0%	70.7%	79.1%
	Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Asian	N/A	N/A	59.3%	75.0%	61.2%	74.4%
	Mixed	64.1%	40.8%	53.1%	64.0%	63.2%	75.4%
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percentage point difference between	White	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.3
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Mixed	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average	White	0.986	0.983	0.980	0.977	0.970	0.967
offer rate	Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Asian	N/A	N/A	0.098	0.163	0.081	0.186
	Mixed	0.223	0.068	0.141	0.149	0.069	0.114
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

### P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

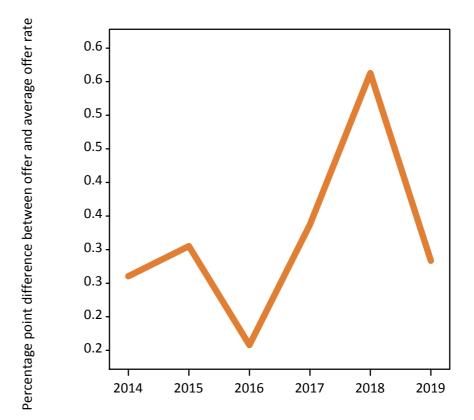
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**P.14** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.





# P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	2,025	2,120	2,185	1,920	2,010	1,950
Placed June deadline applicants	575	640	635	575	570	590
All placed applicants	640	720	690	640	645	665

# P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	2,715	2,900	2,945	2,545	2,640	2,545
Offers	1,610	1,700	1,615	1,620	1,690	1,830
Offer rate	59.3%	58.6%	54.7%	63.8%	64.1%	71.8%

# P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	735	780	750	640	645	670
	Women	1,290	1,335	1,440	1,275	1,365	1,275
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	260	300	280	215	245	260
	Women	320	340	355	360	325	330
All placed applicants	Men	290	330	300	235	275	285
	Women	355	390	390	405	370	380

# P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	1,075	1,175	1,135	910	900	935
	Women	1,640	1,725	1,815	1,635	1,740	1,610
Offers	Men	755	795	720	630	660	740
	Women	860	905	890	990	1,030	1,090
Offer rate	Men	70.1%	67.6%	63.6%	69.6%	73.4%	78.8%
	Women	52.3%	52.4%	49.2%	60.6%	59.2%	67.8%

# P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	170	180	200	180	180	210
	Quintile 2	275	255	305	240	280	250
	Quintile 3	420	440	435	385	415	400
	Quintile 4	525	590	595	525	525	480
	Quintile 5	640	650	645	585	605	600
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	25	40	30	40	25	45
	Quintile 2	60	55	70	50	65	60
	Quintile 3	115	130	125	115	125	115
	Quintile 4	170	200	190	185	150	165
	Quintile 5	205	215	215	190	210	195
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	25	40	35	40	35	50
	Quintile 2	65	60	75	55	75	75
	Quintile 3	125	145	130	135	135	125
	Quintile 4	190	225	210	200	170	185
	Quintile 5	230	245	235	205	235	225

# P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	205	215	230	205	205	250
	Quintile 2	355	335	385	300	365	325
	Quintile 3	570	595	600	530	565	535
	Quintile 4	710	840	830	710	685	630
	Quintile 5	870	905	890	790	820	795
Offers	Quintile 1	75	75	85	95	100	165
	Quintile 2	180	150	170	165	205	205
	Quintile 3	330	355	330	335	355	360
	Quintile 4	450	535	475	500	455	480
	Quintile 5	575	575	550	530	575	615
Offer rate	Quintile 1	35.3%	35.0%	36.1%	46.8%	49.0%	66.4%
	Quintile 2	50.4%	45.1%	44.8%	54.5%	56.6%	64.1%
	Quintile 3	57.6%	59.6%	55.0%	62.6%	63.2%	67.1%
	Quintile 4	63.8%	64.0%	57.0%	70.3%	66.0%	75.9%
	Quintile 5	66.2%	63.4%	61.4%	66.8%	70.3%	76.9%

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

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	1,960	2,050	2,115	1,850	1,920	1,850
	Black	15	15	15	15	15	10
	Asian	20	20	15	20	35	30
	Mixed	25	25	35	25	25	45
	Other	5	0	5	5	10	10
Placed June deadline applicants	White	570	635	625	570	560	570
	Black	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Asian	0	0	0	0	0	5
	Mixed	5	5	5	0	5	10
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
All placed applicants	White	635	710	675	630	630	645
	Black	0	0	5	0	5	5
	Asian	0	0	0	0	5	5
	Mixed	5	5	5	5	5	10
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	2,645	2,825	2,870	2,465	2,535	2,440
	Black	15	20	20	15	15	10
	Asian	20	20	15	20	35	35
	Mixed	25	25	40	35	30	50
	Other	5	0	5	5	10	10
Offers	White	1,590	1,675	1,580	1,585	1,650	1,770
	Black	5	5	5	5	5	5
	Asian	5	5	5	10	15	20
	Mixed	10	5	15	15	10	30
	Other	0	0	5	5	5	5
Offer rate	White	60.0%	59.3%	55.1%	64.3%	65.1%	72.5%
	Black	0.0%	26.3%	38.9%	43.8%	33.3%	0.0%
	Asian	31.8%	0.0%	0.0%	54.5%	41.7%	52.9%
	Mixed	38.5%	26.9%	44.7%	39.4%	35.7%	59.2%
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	N/A

### **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.

#### Evtra

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.