# Sex, area background and ethnic group



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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	8,355	8,445	9,995	10,260	11,910	11,255
Placed June deadline applicants	1,685	1,985	2,305	2,600	2,910	2,705
All placed applicants	1,890	2,210	2,550	2,890	3,185	3,090
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	110.9	110.2	133.4	138.5	164.9	159.0
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	22.3	25.9	30.7	35.1	40.3	38.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	25.1	28.9	34.0	39.0	44.1	43.7

# P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	8,665	8,800	10,365	10,685	12,465	11,930
Offers	7,730	7,860	9,400	9,800	11,455	11,040
Offer rate	89.2%	89.3%	90.7%	91.7%	91.9%	92.5%

# P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	3,560	3,390	4,110	4,275	4,945	4,580
	Women	4,795	5,055	5,885	5,985	6,960	6,675
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	710	805	945	1,090	1,220	1,150
	Women	975	1,180	1,360	1,510	1,690	1,555
All placed applicants	Men	780	890	1,055	1,215	1,335	1,340
	Women	1,105	1,320	1,495	1,675	1,850	1,755
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	92.0	86.3	107.0	112.5	133.5	126.4
population	Women	130.9	135.3	161.1	165.8	197.8	193.2
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	18.3	20.5	24.6	28.7	33.0	31.7
10,000 population	Women	26.6	31.6	37.2	41.8	48.0	45.0
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	20.2	22.7	27.4	32.0	36.0	36.9
population	Women	30.2	35.3	41.0	46.4	52.6	50.8

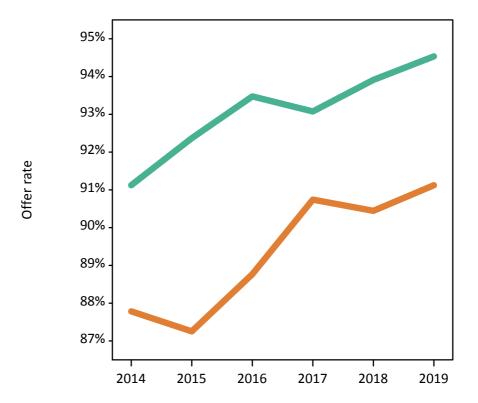
# P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	3,730	3,550	4,290	4,460	5,220	4,900
	Women	4,935	5,250	6,070	6,220	7,240	7,030
Offers	Men	3,400	3,280	4,010	4,155	4,905	4,635
	Women	4,335	4,580	5,390	5,645	6,550	6,405
Offer rate	Men	91.1%	92.4%	93.5%	93.1%	93.9%	94.5%
	Women	87.8%	87.3%	88.8%	90.7%	90.4%	91.1%
Average offer rate	Men	92.3%	93.1%	93.7%	93.8%	93.9%	95.1%
	Women	86.9%	86.8%	88.6%	90.2%	90.4%	90.8%
Percentage point difference between	Men	-1.1	-0.7	-0.2	-0.7	0.0	-0.5
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	0.9	0.5	0.2	0.5	-0.0	0.4
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.601	0.584	0.588	0.581	0.575	0.580
offer rate	Women	0.699	0.719	0.709	0.699	0.694	0.707

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

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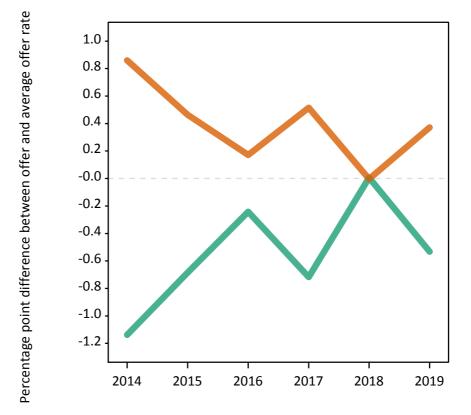




P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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# P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

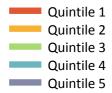
Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,440	1,555	1,755	1,880	2,070	2,135
	Quintile 2	1,800	1,890	2,145	2,235	2,560	2,385
	Quintile 3	1,700	1,735	2,030	2,005	2,470	2,330
	Quintile 4	1,770	1,665	2,145	2,145	2,465	2,280
	Quintile 5	1,630	1,580	1,895	1,975	2,290	2,040
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	300	360	390	505	515	515
	Quintile 2	385	485	530	605	640	635
	Quintile 3	370	410	475	515	630	570
	Quintile 4	340	395	490	540	600	540
	Quintile 5	285	330	410	430	510	425
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	325	405	445	555	565	585
	Quintile 2	430	530	580	675	695	725
	Quintile 3	410	460	525	580	690	640
	Quintile 4	395	430	540	595	645	625
	Quintile 5	330	385	455	485	575	495
June deadline applicants per 10,00	0 Quintile 1	102.5	109.8	129.0	140.6	159.3	168.2
population	Quintile 2	125.3	129.5	151.2	160.2	189.0	180.7
	Quintile 3	116.0	115.9	138.6	138.4	175.4	168.9
	Quintile 4	116.2	107.4	140.8	141.7	167.1	157.4
	Quintile 5	95.7	91.1	109.8	115.2	136.1	122.8
Placed June deadline applicants pe	r Quintile 1	21.3	25.6	28.8	37.6	39.6	40.5
10,000 population	Quintile 2	26.9	33.1	37.4	43.3	47.4	48.2
	Quintile 3	25.1	27.4	32.3	35.6	44.7	41.4
	Quintile 4	22.4	25.4	32.3	35.6	40.7	37.2
	Quintile 5	16.9	19.1	23.9	25.2	30.3	25.5
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	23.2	28.5	32.5	41.4	43.4	46.1
population	Quintile 2	29.8	36.2	40.8	48.4	51.4	54.8
	Quintile 3	28.0	30.8	36.0	40.2	49.1	46.4
	Quintile 4	25.8	27.9	35.5	39.2	43.8	43.1
	Quintile 5	19.3	22.1	26.5	28.2	34.0	29.9

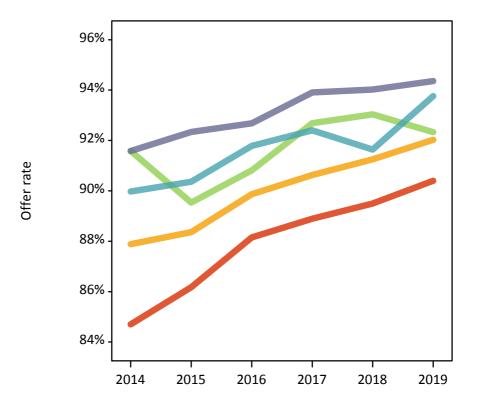
# P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic PC	LAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,495	1,620	1,825	1,970	2,200	2,290
	Quintile 2	1,880	2,030	2,260	2,345	2,710	2,560
	Quintile 3	1,760	1,795	2,100	2,080	2,585	2,465
	Quintile 4	1,835	1,720	2,205	2,225	2,560	2,405
	Quintile 5	1,675	1,620	1,955	2,035	2,360	2,125
Offers	Quintile 1	1,270	1,395	1,605	1,755	1,970	2,070
	Quintile 2	1,655	1,790	2,030	2,125	2,470	2,355
	Quintile 3	1,610	1,610	1,910	1,925	2,405	2,275
	Quintile 4	1,650	1,555	2,020	2,055	2,345	2,255
	Quintile 5	1,535	1,495	1,810	1,910	2,215	2,005
Offer rate	Quintile 1	84.7%	86.2%	88.2%	88.9%	89.5%	90.4%
	Quintile 2	87.9%	88.4%	89.9%	90.6%	91.3%	92.0%
	Quintile 3	91.6%	89.5%	90.8%	92.7%	93.0%	92.3%
	Quintile 4	90.0%	90.4%	91.8%	92.4%	91.6%	93.8%
	Quintile 5	91.6%	92.3%	92.7%	93.9%	94.0%	94.4%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	86.0%	86.6%	89.2%	90.1%	90.0%	90.8%
	Quintile 2	88.4%	88.3%	89.5%	90.9%	91.2%	91.9%
	Quintile 3	90.2%	89.8%	90.5%	92.0%	92.6%	92.4%
	Quintile 4	89.9%	90.5%	91.8%	92.4%	92.3%	93.3%
	Quintile 5	91.3%	91.6%	92.4%	93.1%	93.3%	94.4%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-1.3	-0.4	-1.0	-1.2	-0.5	-0.5
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-0.5	0.1	0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.2
	Quintile 3	1.4	-0.3	0.3	0.7	0.4	-0.1
	Quintile 4	0.1	-0.1	-0.0	-0.0	-0.7	0.4
	Quintile 5	0.2	0.7	0.3	0.8	0.7	-0.1
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.252	0.265	0.249	0.253	0.247	0.265
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.279	0.294	0.270	0.278	0.274	0.278
	Quintile 3	0.257	0.263	0.251	0.249	0.263	0.262
	Quintile 4	0.271	0.252	0.263	0.263	0.260	0.267
	Quintile 5	0.269	0.262	0.263	0.260	0.261	0.255

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

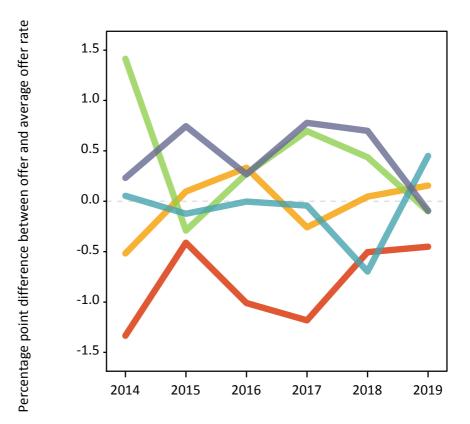
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**P.10** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.





# P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	7,425	7,505	8,870	8,990	10,195	9,655
	Black	290	255	275	325	415	355
	Asian	330	360	460	505	710	690
	Mixed	245	250	305	350	445	420
	Other	50	50	55	65	105	90
Placed June deadline applicants	White	1,570	1,835	2,160	2,400	2,635	2,455
	Black	40	35	35	40	55	45
	Asian	35	60	50	60	85	85
	Mixed	30	50	45	80	105	90
	Other	5	5	5	10	25	15
All placed applicants	White	1,740	2,035	2,370	2,650	2,875	2,780
	Black	50	45	45	50	60	60
	Asian	45	70	65	80	105	115
	Mixed	40	55	55	90	115	100
	Other	10	5	10	15	25	20
June deadline applicants per 10,000	White	120.3	120.5	146.6	151.5	178.4	174.6
population	Black	95.7	80.1	87.2	103.6	128.5	107.3
	Asian	48.5	50.9	63.8	68.4	93.8	88.5
	Mixed	84.8	81.4	97.6	109.0	137.9	127.1
	Other	51.6	52.9	53.3	63.1	97.9	82.0
Placed June deadline applicants per	White	25.4	29.5	35.7	40.4	46.1	44.4
10,000 population	Black	12.5	10.7	10.5	13.3	17.1	13.0
	Asian	5.2	8.6	6.9	8.4	11.4	11.0
	Mixed	10.4	15.6	14.9	24.9	31.8	27.7
	Other	6.4	3.1	4.0	11.6	22.4	15.1
All placed applicants per 10,000	White	28.2	32.6	39.2	44.7	50.3	50.3
population	Black	16.2	14.8	13.7	15.9	19.0	18.2
	Asian	6.9	10.0	9.2	10.9	13.6	14.7
	Mixed	13.6	17.8	17.2	28.3	35.2	31.0
	Other	8.6	4.1	8.0	12.6	25.2	17.8

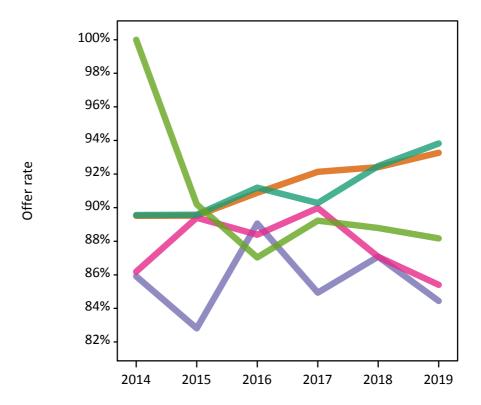
# P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	7,720	7,845	9,220	9,390	10,705	10,290
	Black	290	255	275	330	420	360
	Asian	335	370	465	510	725	700
	Mixed	250	260	320	360	465	435
	Other	50	50	55	65	105	95
Offers	White	6,910	7,025	8,380	8,650	9,895	9,600
	Black	250	210	245	280	365	305
	Asian	285	330	410	460	635	595
	Mixed	225	230	290	325	430	410
	Other	45	45	45	60	95	80
Offer rate	White	89.5%	89.5%	90.9%	92.1%	92.4%	93.3%
	Black	85.9%	82.8%	89.1%	84.9%	87.1%	84.4%
	Asian	86.2%	89.4%	88.4%	90.0%	87.1%	85.4%
	Mixed	89.6%	89.6%	91.2%	90.3%	92.5%	93.8%
	Other	100.0%	90.2%	87.0%	89.2%	88.8%	88.2%
Average offer rate	White	89.2%	89.4%	90.7%	91.7%	92.0%	92.9%
	Black	89.5%	87.3%	90.1%	90.3%	91.4%	89.5%
	Asian	89.1%	88.8%	89.9%	92.2%	90.4%	89.3%
	Mixed	89.3%	90.5%	92.5%	92.4%	92.7%	93.3%
	Other	91.3%	88.6%	85.9%	93.5%	91.7%	88.2%
Percentage point difference between	White	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-3.6	-4.5	-1.1	-5.4	-4.4	-5.0
	Asian	-2.9	0.6	-1.5	-2.2	-3.3	-3.9
	Mixed	0.2	-0.9	-1.3	-2.2	-0.2	0.6
	Other	N/A	1.6	1.1	-4.3	-2.9	0.0
Contribution of group to the average	White	0.905	0.905	0.902	0.893	0.880	0.885
offer rate	Black	0.148	0.124	0.112	0.141	0.119	0.129
	Asian	0.142	0.169	0.147	0.138	0.188	0.180
	Mixed	0.112	0.106	0.093	0.095	0.109	0.115
	Other	0.066	0.092	0.108	0.077	0.090	0.090

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

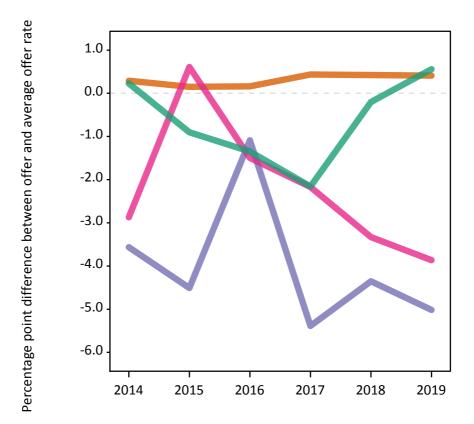
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**P.14** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.





# P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	13,745	13,630	15,345	14,890	16,885	15,965
Placed June deadline applicants	2,840	3,140	3,530	3,715	4,090	3,765
All placed applicants	3,235	3,585	3,990	4,215	4,585	4,390

# P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	14,425	14,340	16,040	15,685	17,820	17,080
Offers	11,540	11,640	13,340	13,490	15,415	14,900
Offer rate	80.0%	81.2%	83.2%	86.0%	86.5%	87.2%

# P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	5,890	5,605	6,445	6,385	7,150	6,640
	Women	7,855	8,025	8,900	8,505	9,735	9,325
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,185	1,340	1,505	1,625	1,750	1,645
	Women	1,655	1,800	2,025	2,090	2,340	2,120
All placed applicants	Men	1,340	1,520	1,700	1,845	1,985	1,950
	Women	1,895	2,065	2,290	2,365	2,600	2,435

# P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	6,240	5,920	6,795	6,765	7,580	7,145
	Women	8,185	8,420	9,245	8,920	10,245	9,930
Offers	Men	5,220	5,080	5,915	5,950	6,730	6,430
	Women	6,320	6,560	7,425	7,545	8,685	8,470
Offer rate	Men	83.7%	85.8%	87.0%	87.9%	88.8%	90.0%
	Women	77.2%	77.9%	80.3%	84.6%	84.8%	85.3%

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

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,680	2,770	3,025	2,955	3,250	3,305
	Quintile 2	3,040	3,140	3,425	3,305	3,765	3,475
	Quintile 3	2,750	2,720	3,035	2,885	3,405	3,215
	Quintile 4	2,745	2,615	3,110	3,005	3,375	3,080
	Quintile 5	2,495	2,355	2,720	2,710	3,020	2,765
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	560	620	670	760	775	750
	Quintile 2	685	800	855	875	975	915
	Quintile 3	600	630	715	730	830	770
	Quintile 4	550	605	715	760	815	720
	Quintile 5	440	480	570	585	675	580
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	620	700	760	850	870	885
	Quintile 2	780	890	950	1,000	1,080	1,065
	Quintile 3	675	725	810	840	925	880
	Quintile 4	645	685	825	850	900	850
	Quintile 5	510	580	640	665	780	675

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

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,840	2,905	3,190	3,150	3,470	3,560
	Quintile 2	3,210	3,380	3,625	3,505	4,020	3,775
	Quintile 3	2,880	2,870	3,160	3,035	3,590	3,425
	Quintile 4	2,865	2,715	3,210	3,150	3,535	3,295
	Quintile 5	2,590	2,430	2,820	2,800	3,125	2,895
Offers	Quintile 1	2,050	2,200	2,475	2,560	2,855	2,955
	Quintile 2	2,525	2,690	2,965	2,950	3,435	3,245
	Quintile 3	2,360	2,345	2,645	2,640	3,150	3,025
	Quintile 4	2,365	2,275	2,770	2,770	3,085	2,940
	Quintile 5	2,210	2,095	2,450	2,535	2,825	2,630
Offer rate	Quintile 1	72.3%	75.7%	77.6%	81.3%	82.3%	83.0%
	Quintile 2	78.7%	79.6%	81.8%	84.1%	85.5%	85.9%
	Quintile 3	82.0%	81.8%	83.7%	87.0%	87.7%	88.3%
	Quintile 4	82.5%	83.8%	86.3%	87.8%	87.2%	89.2%
	Quintile 5	85.4%	86.1%	86.9%	90.4%	90.4%	90.9%

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

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	11,920	11,850	13,300	12,790	14,300	13,495
	Black	610	580	580	625	680	595
	Asian	660	645	795	790	1,045	1,050
	Mixed	415	415	510	510	625	615
	Other	95	95	95	120	160	155
Placed June deadline applicants	White	2,620	2,875	3,270	3,400	3,680	3,400
	Black	70	70	60	70	95	70
	Asian	65	100	95	105	125	130
	Mixed	60	75	85	115	140	120
	Other	10	10	5	20	30	30
All placed applicants	White	2,930	3,240	3,640	3,815	4,080	3,900
	Black	95	105	90	90	115	100
	Asian	100	130	135	140	165	185
	Mixed	75	85	95	135	155	140
	Other	15	15	15	25	35	40

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

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	12,565	12,515	13,960	13,545	15,165	14,535
	Black	615	580	585	635	690	600
	Asian	670	670	805	805	1,070	1,070
	Mixed	425	435	525	525	650	645
	Other	95	95	95	125	165	160
Offers	White	10,165	10,280	11,755	11,795	13,205	12,820
	Black	395	360	400	435	540	445
	Asian	520	535	635	675	895	870
	Mixed	340	355	425	440	575	570
	Other	85	80	70	100	130	135
Offer rate	White	80.9%	82.1%	84.2%	87.1%	87.1%	88.2%
	Black	64.0%	61.9%	68.7%	68.5%	78.0%	73.9%
	Asian	78.0%	80.1%	78.4%	84.1%	83.8%	81.1%
	Mixed	80.5%	82.1%	81.3%	84.5%	88.2%	88.3%
	Other	85.6%	81.4%	75.8%	80.5%	78.4%	84.9%

### **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.

#### 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.