# **P60 University of Plymouth**

Cycle years: 2014 - 2019

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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	9,490	9,455	9,240	8,760	7,695	8,180
Placed June deadline applicants	2,125	1,920	2,110	2,160	1,720	1,640
All placed applicants	2,425	2,240	2,460	2,460	2,025	1,975
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	126.0	123.4	123.3	118.3	106.5	115.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	28.2	25.0	28.2	29.2	23.8	23.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	32.2	29.3	32.8	33.2	28.0	27.9

# P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	10,255	10,120	10,030	9,570	8,470	8,930
Offers	8,855	8,630	8,805	8,395	7,445	7,310
Offer rate	86.4%	85.3%	87.8%	87.7%	87.9%	81.9%

### P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	4,265	4,155	3,870	3,700	3,265	3,355
	Women	5,230	5,300	5,370	5,065	4,430	4,825
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,020	915	955	985	710	665
	Women	1,105	1,005	1,155	1,175	1,015	975
All placed applicants	Men	1,170	1,070	1,110	1,120	835	820
	Women	1,255	1,170	1,350	1,335	1,190	1,155
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	110.1	105.9	100.8	97.4	88.1	92.7
population	Women	142.8	141.8	146.9	140.2	125.9	139.6
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	26.3	23.3	24.9	26.0	19.1	18.4
10,000 population	Women	30.2	26.9	31.6	32.6	28.8	28.2
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	30.3	27.3	28.9	29.5	22.5	22.7
population	Women	34.3	31.4	36.9	37.0	33.8	33.4

# P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	4,690	4,500	4,220	4,120	3,620	3,690
	Women	5,565	5,620	5,810	5,450	4,850	5,240
Offers	Men	4,330	4,040	3,900	3,780	3,315	3,085
	Women	4,525	4,590	4,905	4,615	4,130	4,225
Offer rate	Men	92.3%	89.8%	92.5%	91.8%	91.5%	83.7%
	Women	81.3%	81.7%	84.4%	84.6%	85.2%	80.6%
Average offer rate	Men	92.4%	89.7%	92.6%	91.9%	91.9%	85.0%
	Women	81.3%	81.8%	84.3%	84.6%	85.0%	79.6%
Percentage point difference between	Men	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-1.4
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	1.0
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.650	0.639	0.609	0.630	0.627	0.586
offer rate	Women	0.705	0.711	0.716	0.720	0.721	0.709

#### 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.



**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

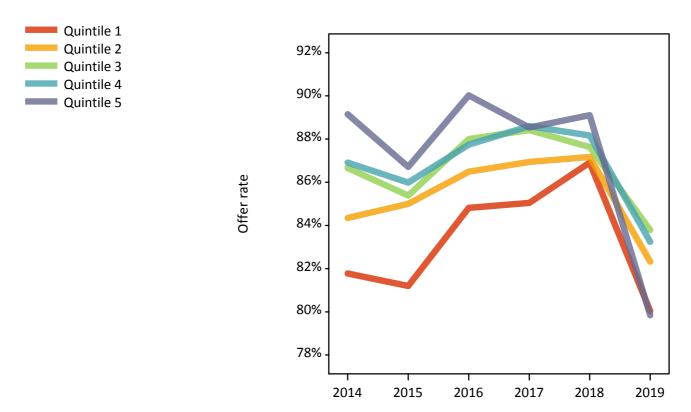
Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,085	1,140	1,145	1,165	1,075	1,020
	Quintile 2	1,675	1,665	1,670	1,605	1,385	1,490
	Quintile 3	2,035	2,050	1,920	1,925	1,620	1,795
	Quintile 4	2,130	2,020	1,965	1,865	1,625	1,685
	Quintile 5	2,550	2,560	2,525	2,180	1,955	2,150
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	240	250	270	295	255	230
	Quintile 2	440	370	425	465	355	325
	Quintile 3	490	460	445	490	345	405
	Quintile 4	450	395	440	435	375	315
	Quintile 5	505	435	530	470	390	355
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	260	285	300	340	290	275
	Quintile 2	490	430	485	515	410	375
	Quintile 3	560	535	520	540	415	485
	Quintile 4	520	465	530	515	440	385
	Quintile 5	590	525	620	540	465	445
June deadline applicants per 10,00	0 Quintile 1	77.1	80.5	84.0	87.1	82.6	80.6
population	Quintile 2	116.5	114.0	117.7	115.0	102.4	112.7
	Quintile 3	139.0	136.9	131.1	133.0	114.8	130.2
	Quintile 4	139.8	130.3	129.1	123.2	110.2	116.2
	Quintile 5	149.9	147.4	146.4	127.1	116.2	129.4
Placed June deadline applicants pe		17.0	17.7	19.7	22.0	19.5	18.1
10,000 population	Quintile 2	30.5	25.5	29.9	33.2	26.1	24.7
	Quintile 3	33.6	30.8	30.5	33.8	24.5	29.2
	Quintile 4	29.5	25.6	29.0	28.9	25.3	21.8
	Quintile 5	29.6	25.0	30.7	27.5	23.0	21.4
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	18.5	20.2	22.0	25.5	22.1	21.6
population	Quintile 2	34.1	29.4	34.2	37.0	30.4	28.6
	Quintile 3	38.1	35.6	35.5	37.3	29.3	35.2
	Quintile 4	34.2	29.9	34.6	33.9	29.8	26.4
	Quintile 5	34.7	30.3	36.1	31.5	27.5	26.9

# P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic PO	LAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,205	1,250	1,295	1,315	1,215	1,140
	Quintile 2	1,835	1,825	1,845	1,815	1,575	1,665
	Quintile 3	2,210	2,230	2,110	2,125	1,805	2,000
	Quintile 4	2,290	2,135	2,120	1,990	1,775	1,810
	Quintile 5	2,690	2,655	2,645	2,295	2,065	2,270
Offers	Quintile 1	985	1,015	1,100	1,120	1,055	915
	Quintile 2	1,545	1,555	1,595	1,580	1,375	1,370
	Quintile 3	1,915	1,905	1,855	1,880	1,580	1,675
	Quintile 4	1,990	1,835	1,860	1,765	1,565	1,505
	Quintile 5	2,400	2,305	2,380	2,030	1,840	1,815
Offer rate	Quintile 1	81.8%	81.2%	84.8%	85.0%	86.9%	80.0%
	Quintile 2	84.4%	85.0%	86.5%	86.9%	87.2%	82.3%
	Quintile 3	86.7%	85.4%	88.0%	88.4%	87.6%	83.8%
	Quintile 4	86.9%	86.0%	87.7%	88.6%	88.2%	83.2%
	Quintile 5	89.2%	86.7%	90.0%	88.5%	89.1%	79.8%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	83.3%	82.7%	85.7%	86.3%	87.3%	81.1%
	Quintile 2	84.4%	84.7%	86.5%	88.0%	87.2%	82.8%
	Quintile 3	85.7%	85.8%	88.3%	87.7%	87.1%	83.0%
	Quintile 4	87.3%	86.3%	88.0%	88.5%	88.2%	82.9%
	Quintile 5	88.9%	85.6%	89.2%	87.8%	89.3%	80.0%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-1.6	-1.5	-0.9	-1.3	-0.4	-1.0
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-0.0	0.3	0.0	-1.0	-0.0	-0.5
	Quintile 3	1.0	-0.4	-0.3	0.7	0.5	0.8
	Quintile 4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.4
	Quintile 5	0.2	1.1	0.9	0.7	-0.2	-0.1
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.214	0.215	0.223	0.240	0.251	0.223
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.262	0.252	0.265	0.278	0.283	0.287
	Quintile 3	0.287	0.294	0.286	0.299	0.310	0.304
	Quintile 4	0.295	0.281	0.286	0.287	0.300	0.288
	Quintile 5	0.356	0.350	0.361	0.348	0.353	0.351

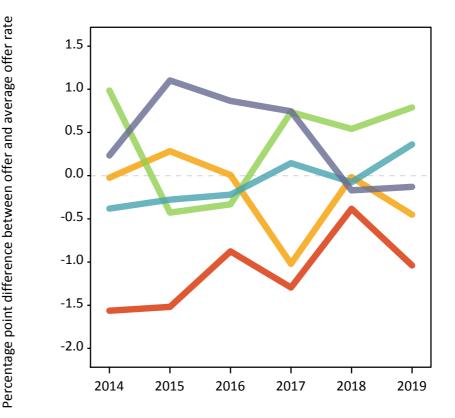
#### P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

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.



**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

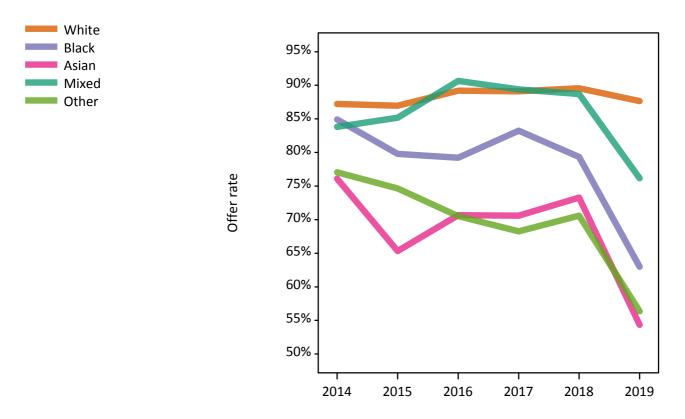
Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	8,310	8,195	8,080	7,590	6,500	6,355
	Black	285	270	225	200	180	320
	Asian	510	605	545	570	615	1,030
	Mixed	295	290	270	300	270	285
	Other	60	65	75	60	85	145
Placed June deadline applicants	White	1,975	1,775	1,945	1,995	1,550	1,450
	Black	30	25	30	25	30	40
	Asian	65	60	65	65	75	80
	Mixed	50	45	55	60	55	45
	Other	5	10	10	10	10	20
All placed applicants	White	2,225	2,045	2,225	2,235	1,790	1,705
	Black	40	40	45	35	40	60
	Asian	90	80	95	90	100	120
	Mixed	60	55	65	75	65	60
	Other	5	15	15	15	10	20
June deadline applicants per 10,000	White	134.7	131.5	133.6	127.9	113.8	115.0
population	Black	93.7	85.1	72.2	63.2	56.3	97.0
	Asian	75.5	85.3	75.9	77.2	81.4	131.8
	Mixed	102.9	94.0	86.1	93.8	83.3	86.9
	Other	65.5	68.5	74.4	57.3	77.4	130.9
Placed June deadline applicants per	White	32.0	28.5	32.2	33.6	27.1	26.2
10,000 population	Black	9.2	8.5	10.2	7.9	8.7	12.1
	Asian	9.4	8.2	8.9	9.1	9.8	10.3
	Mixed	17.4	14.6	16.8	18.7	16.7	13.7
	Other	5.4	10.4	9.0	9.7	7.5	18.7
All placed applicants per 10,000	White	36.1	32.9	36.8	37.7	31.4	30.9
population	Black	12.9	12.6	14.4	11.1	12.8	17.6
	Asian	13.1	11.2	13.5	12.4	13.2	15.4
	Mixed	21.6	18.2	21.0	23.4	20.7	17.9
	Other	7.5	13.5	13.1	12.6	10.3	19.6

# P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	9,050	8,830	8,830	8,365	7,230	7,060
	Black	285	270	230	205	185	325
	Asian	525	615	560	580	630	1,045
	Mixed	310	295	290	310	290	300
	Other	60	70	80	65	85	150
Offers	White	7,890	7,680	7,875	7,455	6,475	6,190
	Black	240	215	185	170	145	205
	Asian	400	405	395	410	460	570
	Mixed	260	255	260	280	260	230
	Other	45	55	55	45	60	85
Offer rate	White	87.2%	87.0%	89.2%	89.1%	89.5%	87.6%
	Black	84.9%	79.8%	79.2%	83.3%	79.3%	63.0%
	Asian	76.1%	65.3%	70.7%	70.6%	73.3%	54.4%
	Mixed	83.8%	85.2%	90.7%	89.4%	88.7%	76.2%
	Other	77.0%	74.6%	70.5%	68.3%	70.6%	56.4%
Average offer rate	White	87.0%	86.7%	89.0%	89.0%	89.1%	86.9%
	Black	85.9%	81.6%	81.6%	84.7%	82.7%	64.6%
	Asian	76.3%	67.3%	72.5%	71.0%	75.6%	57.5%
	Mixed	88.5%	87.4%	91.0%	90.2%	90.9%	79.1%
	Other	77.3%	78.8%	74.0%	74.1%	74.1%	60.2%
Percentage point difference between	White	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.8
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-0.9	-1.8	-2.4	-1.5	-3.4	-1.6
	Asian	-0.2	-2.0	-1.9	-0.4	-2.3	-3.2
	Mixed	-4.6	-2.2	-0.3	-0.8	-2.2	-3.0
	Other	-0.2	-4.2	-3.4	-5.8	-3.5	-3.8
Contribution of group to the average	White	0.906	0.901	0.906	0.903	0.891	0.860
offer rate	Black	0.144	0.130	0.114	0.138	0.142	0.135
	Asian	0.255	0.315	0.302	0.319	0.335	0.379
	Mixed	0.141	0.123	0.135	0.134	0.151	0.145
	Other	0.127	0.139	0.109	0.093	0.103	0.116

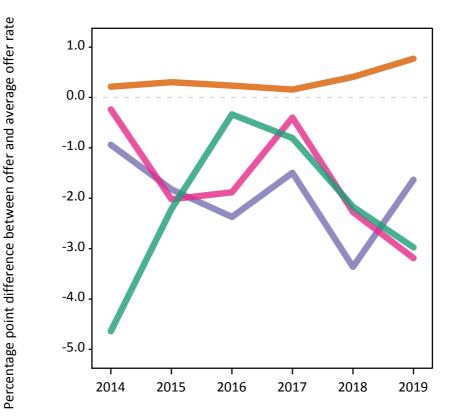
#### P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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.



**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	19,315	18,505	17,820	16,345	14,160	14,215
Placed June deadline applicants	4,615	4,140	4,295	4,345	3,615	3,235
All placed applicants	5,310	4,815	4,980	4,990	4,265	3,925

# P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	21,445	20,330	19,790	18,215	15,850	15,870
Offers	15,910	15,015	15,145	14,330	12,745	12,120
Offer rate	74.2%	73.8%	76.5%	78.7%	80.4%	76.4%

### P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	8,495	8,060	7,395	6,790	5,855	5,700
	Women	10,820	10,445	10,425	9,555	8,305	8,515
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	2,110	1,850	1,835	1,790	1,415	1,250
	Women	2,505	2,290	2,465	2,555	2,200	1,985
All placed applicants	Men	2,480	2,165	2,160	2,080	1,705	1,575
	Women	2,830	2,650	2,825	2,905	2,560	2,350

## P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	9,495	8,850	8,190	7,660	6,575	6,390
	Women	11,945	11,485	11,595	10,555	9,275	9,480
Offers	Men	7,830	7,100	6,785	6,445	5,640	5,130
	Women	8,080	7,915	8,360	7,880	7,105	6,990
Offer rate	Men	82.5%	80.2%	82.8%	84.2%	85.8%	80.3%
	Women	67.6%	68.9%	72.1%	74.7%	76.6%	73.7%

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

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,545	2,465	2,495	2,335	2,200	2,055
	Quintile 2	3,710	3,525	3,505	3,205	2,805	2,835
	Quintile 3	4,185	4,075	3,805	3,675	3,000	3,105
	Quintile 4	4,115	3,865	3,635	3,350	2,845	2,835
	Quintile 5	4,715	4,535	4,345	3,740	3,265	3,290
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	645	625	640	650	605	530
	Quintile 2	1,035	880	970	990	815	730
	Quintile 3	1,100	990	935	1,010	795	770
	Quintile 4	875	840	850	875	695	600
	Quintile 5	945	800	890	810	690	575
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	720	715	720	765	700	635
	Quintile 2	1,175	1,010	1,110	1,115	955	860
	Quintile 3	1,240	1,145	1,095	1,160	940	955
	Quintile 4	1,035	970	1,005	1,000	835	735
	Quintile 5	1,130	965	1,045	935	820	715

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

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,915	2,765	2,875	2,700	2,510	2,365
	Quintile 2	4,290	4,025	4,015	3,735	3,255	3,265
	Quintile 3	4,700	4,555	4,275	4,135	3,400	3,515
	Quintile 4	4,490	4,165	3,995	3,640	3,145	3,105
	Quintile 5	5,005	4,775	4,590	3,965	3,485	3,515
Offers	Quintile 1	2,045	1,970	2,115	2,040	1,970	1,780
	Quintile 2	3,055	2,880	3,005	2,895	2,575	2,520
	Quintile 3	3,475	3,330	3,265	3,230	2,755	2,735
	Quintile 4	3,360	3,130	3,080	2,920	2,535	2,380
	Quintile 5	3,945	3,675	3,655	3,210	2,870	2,640
Offer rate	Quintile 1	70.2%	71.2%	73.6%	75.6%	78.5%	75.3%
	Quintile 2	71.2%	71.6%	74.8%	77.5%	79.2%	77.3%
	Quintile 3	73.9%	73.1%	76.4%	78.2%	81.1%	77.8%
	Quintile 4	74.8%	75.2%	77.1%	80.3%	80.5%	76.7%
	Quintile 5	78.9%	77.0%	79.6%	80.9%	82.3%	75.0%

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

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	16,315	15,520	14,965	13,690	11,670	10,905
	Black	780	725	665	565	480	630
	Asian	1,345	1,380	1,335	1,270	1,215	1,780
	Mixed	605	550	545	535	495	490
	Other	180	205	185	180	185	275
Placed June deadline applicants	White	4,235	3,760	3,905	3,940	3,225	2,840
	Black	75	85	80	85	70	75
	Asian	150	155	170	160	160	160
	Mixed	120	95	90	115	105	85
	Other	20	20	20	25	25	45
All placed applicants	White	4,800	4,300	4,455	4,470	3,760	3,385
	Black	115	135	115	110	105	105
	Asian	210	205	230	215	200	230
	Mixed	145	125	115	140	135	115
	Other	25	30	30	35	35	50

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

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	18,325	17,240	16,820	15,445	13,235	12,430
	Black	815	755	695	585	510	655
	Asian	1,375	1,420	1,370	1,300	1,250	1,820
	Mixed	645	575	580	570	530	535
	Other	185	210	190	195	200	285
Offers	White	13,960	13,165	13,310	12,500	10,930	10,150
	Black	525	435	400	370	330	385
	Asian	775	805	800	805	825	950
	Mixed	485	430	450	460	435	390
	Other	110	115	105	110	130	150
Offer rate	White	76.2%	76.4%	79.1%	80.9%	82.6%	81.7%
	Black	64.7%	57.9%	57.3%	63.5%	64.8%	58.9%
	Asian	56.4%	56.6%	58.4%	62.0%	66.1%	52.3%
	Mixed	75.7%	74.9%	77.9%	80.7%	82.5%	73.2%
	Other	60.0%	53.3%	53.9%	54.8%	64.0%	52.7%

# **Technical Notes and Definitions**

### **UCAS undergraduate scheme**

### Adjustment

Adjustment allows applicants who have met and exceeded the terms of their conditional firm offer to seek and find a place at another provider whilst keeping their place at their original firm choice provider.

### Clearing

Clearing is a route for applicants that are not placed and holding no offers to find a place on courses with vacancies.

### Cycle year

The UCAS application cycle which runs from September to October the following year. For example the 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.