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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	5,100	5,000	5,075	5,175	4,740	4,045
Placed June deadline applicants	1,470	1,290	1,260	1,310	1,160	1,075
All placed applicants	1,700	1,520	1,510	1,510	1,355	1,225
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	67.7	65.3	67.7	69.8	65.6	57.1
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	19.5	16.8	16.8	17.7	16.0	15.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	22.5	19.9	20.2	20.4	18.8	17.3

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	6,445	6,145	6,075	6,260	5,630	4,835
Offers	5,160	5,155	5,065	5,260	4,610	4,125
Offer rate	80.0%	83.9%	83.4%	84.0%	81.9%	85.3%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	2,205	2,150	2,080	2,170	2,030	1,755
	Women	2,900	2,850	2,995	3,000	2,710	2,290
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	685	590	525	580	535	515
	Women	785	700	735	730	625	565
All placed applicants	Men	795	685	630	650	620	580
	Women	905	835	885	860	735	650
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	56.9	54.8	54.1	57.2	54.8	48.4
	Women	79.2	76.3	82.0	83.1	77.1	66.3
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	17.7	15.0	13.6	15.3	14.4	14.2
	Women	21.4	18.7	20.2	20.2	17.8	16.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	20.5	17.5	16.3	17.1	16.8	16.0
	Women	24.7	22.3	24.2	23.8	20.8	18.8

P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	2,910	2,730	2,570	2,710	2,485	2,185
	Women	3,535	3,415	3,505	3,550	3,145	2,645
Offers	Men	2,475	2,510	2,290	2,415	2,195	2,020
	Women	2,680	2,645	2,780	2,840	2,415	2,105
Offer rate	Men	85.1%	92.0%	89.0%	89.2%	88.4%	92.3%
	Women	75.8%	77.4%	79.3%	80.1%	76.7%	79.5%
Average offer rate	Men	85.7%	91.7%	90.2%	89.8%	89.1%	92.4%
	Women	75.4%	77.6%	78.4%	79.7%	76.2%	79.4%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.6	0.3	-1.2	-0.6	-0.7	-0.1
	Women	0.5	-0.2	0.9	0.4	0.6	0.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.685	0.700	0.664	0.665	0.684	0.688
	Women	0.741	0.760	0.753	0.744	0.750	0.742

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.

Men
Women

Offer rate

86%

84%

82%

80%

78%

76%

74%

2014   2015   2016   2017   2018   2019
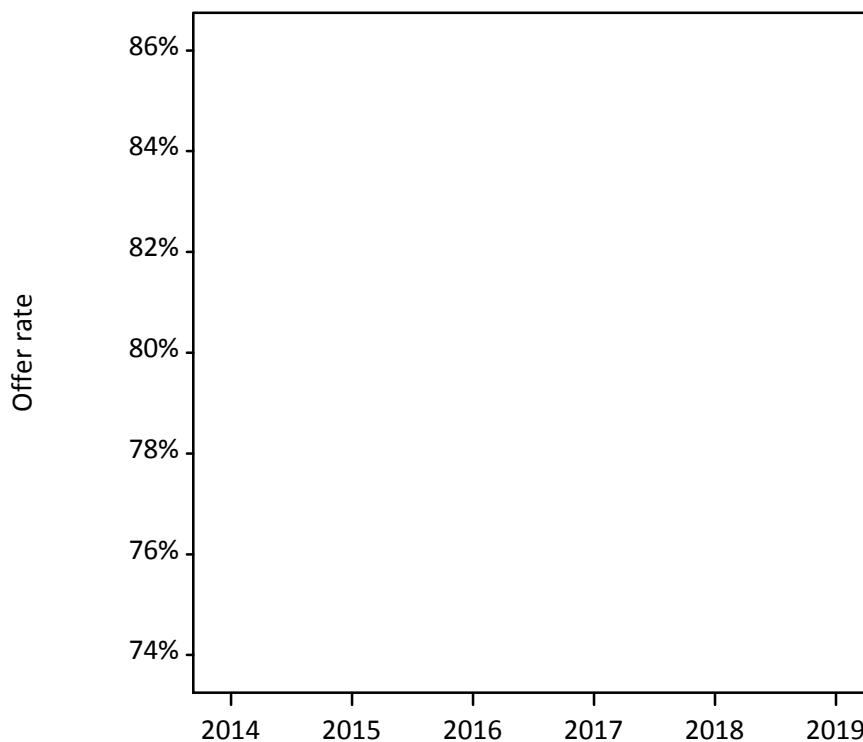
P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex
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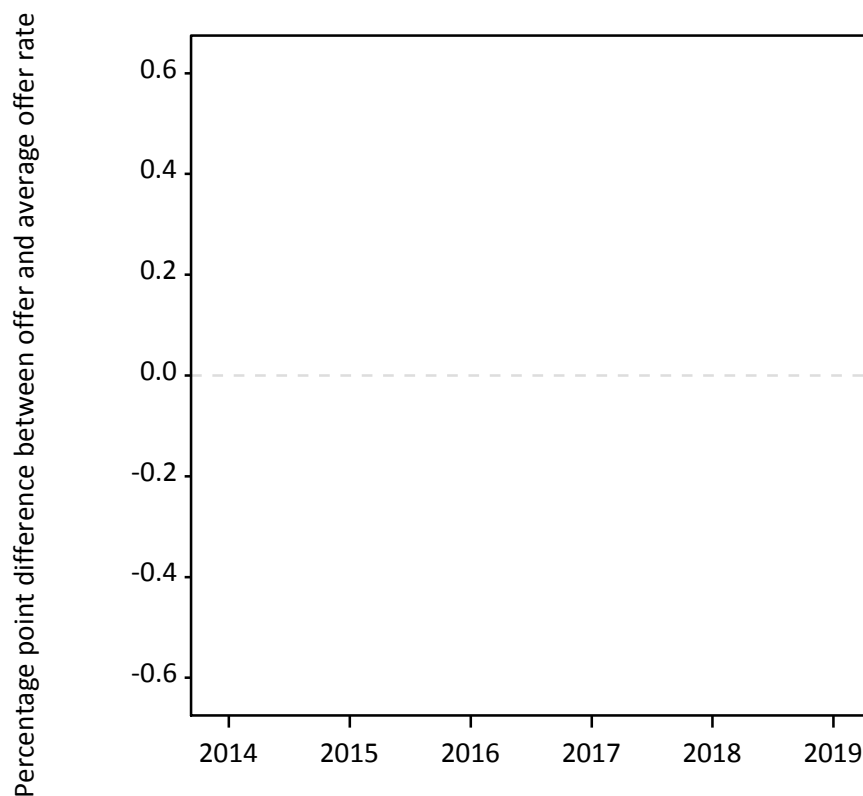
Men
Women

Percentage point difference between offer and average offer rate

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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	945	980	970	1,005	905	810
	Quintile 2	1,315	1,230	1,315	1,240	1,220	1,035
	Quintile 3	1,165	1,110	1,135	1,155	1,015	825
	Quintile 4	860	860	800	880	830	685
	Quintile 5	805	810	850	880	760	665
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	305	275	270	260	260	260
	Quintile 2	400	325	345	385	315	280
	Quintile 3	325	305	275	275	250	215
	Quintile 4	220	190	190	215	180	165
	Quintile 5	215	190	180	170	150	145
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	355	325	330	305	305	300
	Quintile 2	455	390	410	440	365	315
	Quintile 3	365	355	330	315	290	260
	Quintile 4	265	220	225	250	205	180
	Quintile 5	255	225	215	195	185	165
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	67.4	69.4	71.3	75.3	69.7	63.7
	Quintile 2	91.7	84.2	92.6	88.9	90.0	78.2
	Quintile 3	79.6	73.9	77.3	79.7	71.9	59.9
	Quintile 4	56.3	55.5	52.4	58.3	56.1	47.3
	Quintile 5	47.4	46.8	49.4	51.4	45.2	40.1
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	21.6	19.6	19.7	19.5	20.0	20.3
	Quintile 2	27.9	22.2	24.2	27.4	23.2	21.3
	Quintile 3	22.1	20.5	18.9	19.1	17.8	15.7
	Quintile 4	14.6	12.3	12.3	14.1	12.1	11.5
	Quintile 5	12.7	10.8	10.5	10.0	9.0	8.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	25.3	22.8	24.2	22.9	23.6	23.7
	Quintile 2	31.8	26.8	29.0	31.5	27.0	23.8
	Quintile 3	24.8	23.7	22.4	21.8	20.5	18.8
	Quintile 4	17.4	14.3	14.8	16.4	14.0	12.6
	Quintile 5	15.0	13.1	12.4	11.5	10.9	9.9

P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,250	1,280	1,235	1,280	1,100	1,000
	Quintile 2	1,710	1,560	1,635	1,585	1,515	1,255
	Quintile 3	1,495	1,360	1,325	1,380	1,205	1,005
	Quintile 4	1,030	1,015	910	1,000	950	795
	Quintile 5	950	920	965	1,000	850	755
Offers	Quintile 1	985	1,035	1,015	1,060	895	850
	Quintile 2	1,340	1,290	1,340	1,345	1,250	1,050
	Quintile 3	1,205	1,160	1,115	1,170	990	875
	Quintile 4	850	845	770	840	785	670
	Quintile 5	775	815	815	840	680	665
Offer rate	Quintile 1	78.8%	80.9%	82.5%	82.9%	81.4%	85.1%
	Quintile 2	78.5%	82.8%	82.0%	84.9%	82.4%	83.5%
	Quintile 3	80.4%	85.2%	84.3%	84.5%	82.2%	87.2%
	Quintile 4	82.3%	83.2%	84.3%	83.9%	82.6%	84.1%
	Quintile 5	81.4%	88.7%	84.8%	83.6%	80.3%	88.0%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	79.1%	82.1%	82.9%	84.0%	81.7%	85.8%
	Quintile 2	79.7%	83.1%	82.6%	84.6%	82.6%	83.9%
	Quintile 3	80.1%	84.1%	82.8%	83.8%	81.4%	86.7%
	Quintile 4	80.8%	84.2%	84.2%	83.5%	82.8%	84.8%
	Quintile 5	81.0%	86.8%	85.3%	84.0%	80.5%	86.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-0.3	-1.2	-0.4	-1.2	-0.3	-0.7
	Quintile 2	-1.2	-0.4	-0.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.5
	Quintile 3	0.4	1.0	1.5	0.7	0.8	0.4
	Quintile 4	1.5	-1.0	0.1	0.4	-0.2	-0.7
	Quintile 5	0.4	1.9	-0.6	-0.4	-0.2	1.9
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.319	0.325	0.323	0.305	0.294	0.323
	Quintile 2	0.375	0.358	0.370	0.351	0.372	0.370
	Quintile 3	0.346	0.335	0.319	0.314	0.306	0.335
	Quintile 4	0.285	0.288	0.293	0.266	0.285	0.302
	Quintile 5	0.292	0.304	0.305	0.292	0.289	0.303

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile
Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.
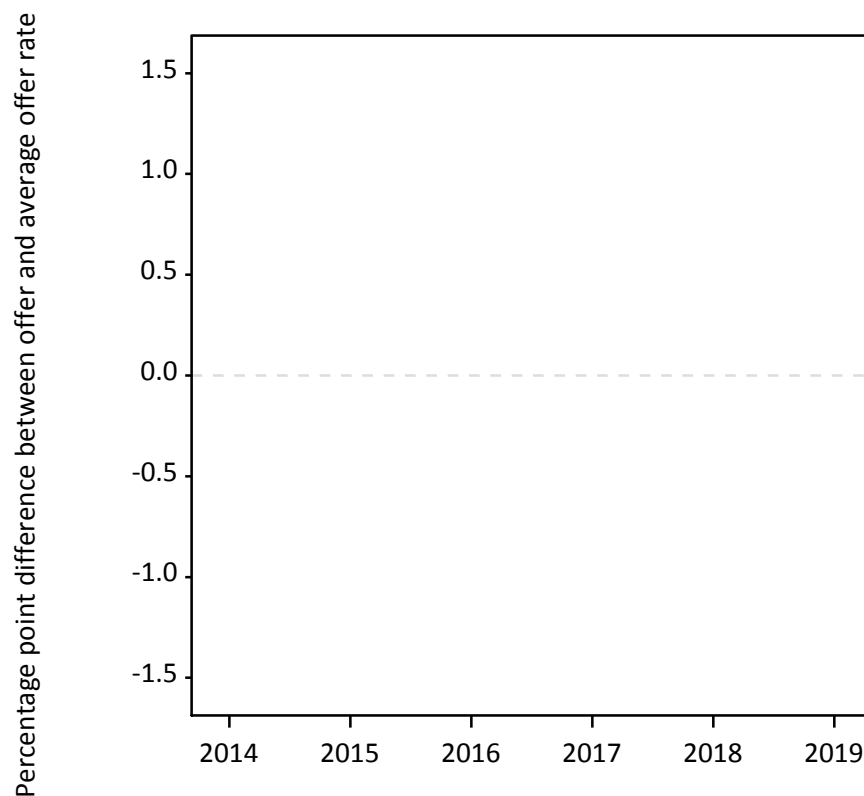
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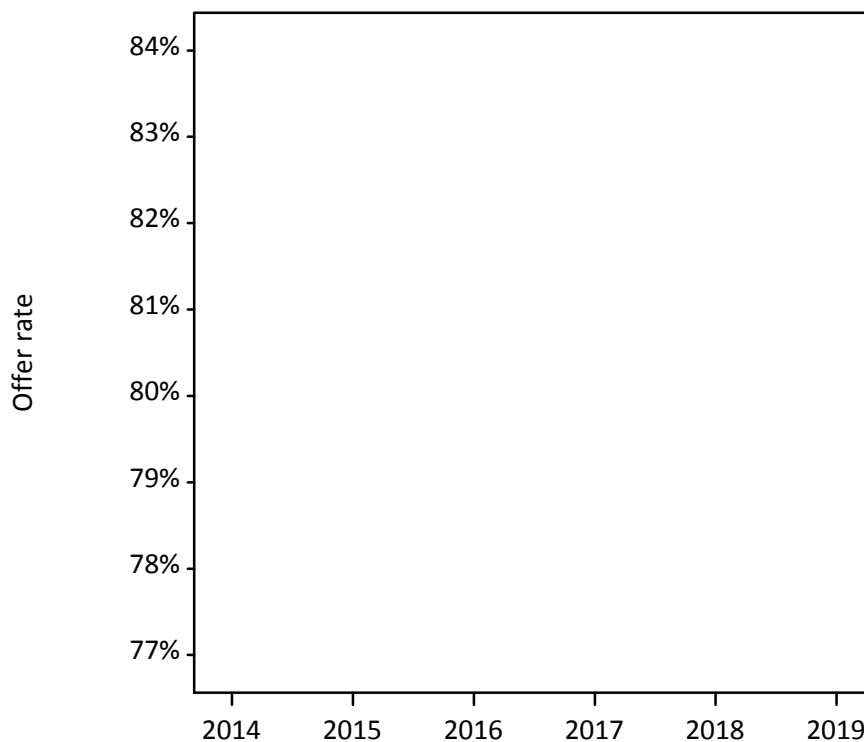
P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile
Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

Quintile 1
Quintile 2
Quintile 3
Quintile 4
Quintile 5

P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	4,725	4,585	4,630	4,670	4,225	3,555
	Black	55	85	80	100	85	100
	Asian	175	165	180	225	245	210
	Mixed	105	125	130	130	130	125
	Other	25	35	35	35	25	40
Placed June deadline applicants	White	1,375	1,205	1,165	1,210	1,060	975
	Black	15	15	15	15	20	20
	Asian	45	35	40	50	50	40
	Mixed	20	25	30	30	25	30
	Other	10	10	5	5	5	10
All placed applicants	White	1,580	1,405	1,380	1,380	1,230	1,105
	Black	20	20	25	25	25	25
	Asian	55	50	50	60	65	50
	Mixed	25	30	40	35	30	35
	Other	10	10	15	5	5	15
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	76.6	73.6	76.6	78.7	73.9	64.3
	Black	18.5	26.4	26.2	31.5	27.1	30.0
	Asian	25.8	23.0	25.3	30.3	32.7	26.9
	Mixed	36.5	40.5	41.3	40.8	40.4	37.7
	Other	27.9	34.2	35.2	35.9	25.2	34.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	22.3	19.3	19.2	20.4	18.6	17.7
	Black	4.6	4.4	5.4	4.8	5.6	5.5
	Asian	6.5	5.1	5.3	6.7	6.5	5.0
	Mixed	7.0	8.1	10.2	8.7	7.7	9.4
	Other	9.7	9.3	7.0	5.8	3.7	7.1
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	White	25.6	22.6	22.8	23.3	21.5	20.0
	Black	7.3	6.9	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.6
	Asian	8.1	7.1	6.9	8.4	8.7	6.3
	Mixed	9.4	9.7	12.4	11.2	9.6	10.0
	Other	10.7	11.4	13.1	6.8	4.7	11.6

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	5,985	5,650	5,535	5,670	5,030	4,235
	Black	70	90	105	110	100	120
	Asian	215	195	215	260	295	260
	Mixed	125	150	160	160	145	145
	Other	35	50	45	45	30	50
Offers	White	4,805	4,745	4,665	4,795	4,125	3,635
	Black	50	60	60	80	70	90
	Asian	165	160	170	200	260	215
	Mixed	95	130	125	135	105	125
	Other	30	45	35	35	25	40
Offer rate	White	80.3%	84.0%	84.3%	84.6%	82.1%	85.8%
	Black	74.3%	69.3%	56.7%	75.2%	69.3%	74.4%
	Asian	76.2%	83.1%	79.0%	77.2%	86.9%	82.8%
	Mixed	74.4%	87.3%	77.0%	83.9%	73.8%	84.9%
	Other	82.4%	88.5%	80.0%	79.1%	76.7%	87.5%
Average offer rate	White	80.0%	83.7%	83.4%	83.9%	81.7%	85.3%
	Black	82.4%	79.6%	79.4%	86.9%	76.6%	80.6%
	Asian	82.0%	86.7%	85.4%	84.3%	87.7%	87.7%
	Mixed	78.6%	85.1%	83.3%	83.7%	79.7%	85.2%
	Other	81.6%	90.3%	86.2%	89.7%	78.4%	88.1%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	White	0.4	0.2	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.5
	Black	-8.1	-10.3	-22.7	-11.7	-7.3	-6.2
	Asian	-5.8	-3.6	-6.4	-7.1	-0.8	-5.0
	Mixed	-4.2	2.2	-6.3	0.2	-5.9	-0.3
	Other	N/A	-1.9	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	White	0.940	0.934	0.926	0.922	0.912	0.899
	Black	0.162	0.143	0.161	0.155	0.128	0.142
	Asian	0.210	0.224	0.169	0.189	0.222	0.220
	Mixed	0.142	0.161	0.151	0.135	0.151	0.180
	Other	0.096	0.226	0.213	0.113	0.139	0.177

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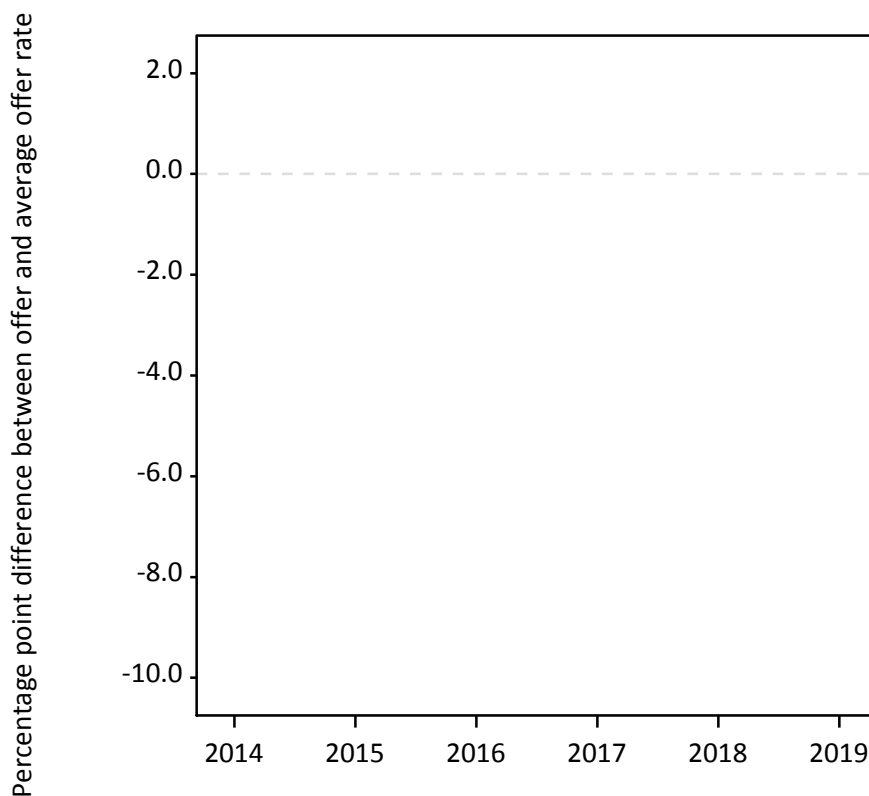
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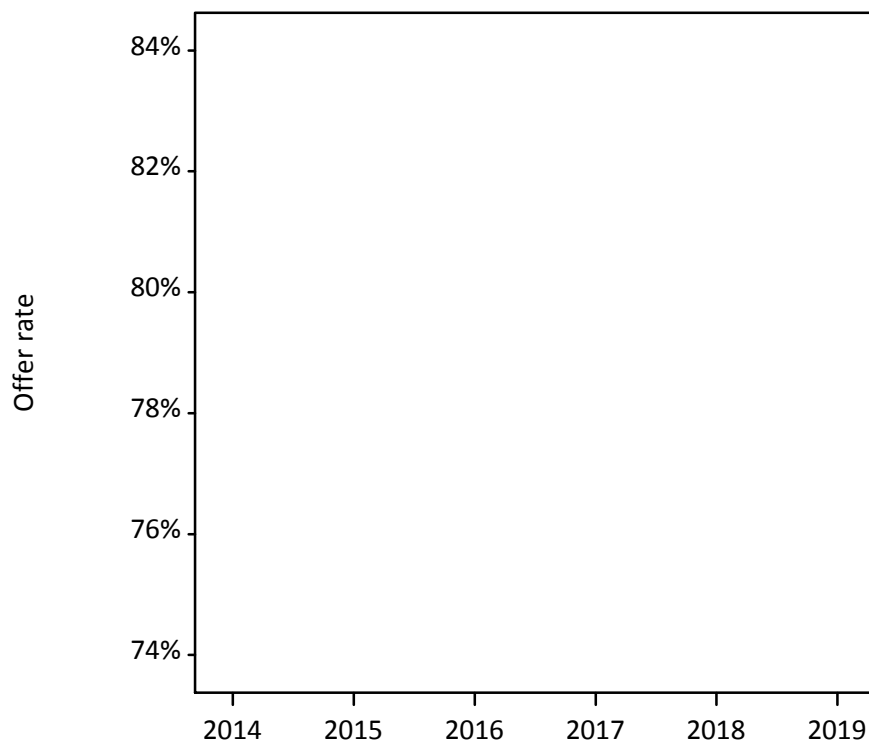
P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group
Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

White
Black
Asian
Mixed
Other

P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	10,925	10,340	10,500	10,255	9,465	8,525
Placed June deadline applicants	3,290	2,985	2,775	2,825	2,510	2,400
All placed applicants	3,900	3,685	3,340	3,390	3,010	2,800

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	14,035	13,020	12,825	12,520	11,500	10,285
Offers	9,480	9,475	9,140	9,375	8,305	7,540
Offer rate	67.5%	72.8%	71.3%	74.9%	72.2%	73.3%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	4,555	4,295	4,185	4,130	3,825	3,310
	Women	6,370	6,040	6,315	6,125	5,640	5,215
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,515	1,335	1,165	1,215	1,085	985
	Women	1,775	1,650	1,605	1,610	1,420	1,415
All placed applicants	Men	1,800	1,650	1,435	1,420	1,295	1,145
	Women	2,100	2,030	1,905	1,965	1,715	1,655

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	6,020	5,570	5,270	5,215	4,750	4,140
	Women	8,020	7,450	7,555	7,305	6,755	6,145
Offers	Men	4,555	4,615	4,165	4,310	3,835	3,455
	Women	4,925	4,860	4,970	5,065	4,470	4,085
Offer rate	Men	75.7%	82.8%	79.1%	82.6%	80.7%	83.4%
	Women	61.4%	65.2%	65.8%	69.3%	66.2%	66.4%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,265	2,225	2,205	2,145	2,010	1,925
	Quintile 2	2,805	2,670	2,820	2,580	2,430	2,180
	Quintile 3	2,345	2,185	2,145	2,220	1,965	1,695
	Quintile 4	1,740	1,610	1,590	1,610	1,510	1,345
	Quintile 5	1,740	1,620	1,710	1,670	1,520	1,315
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	770	715	630	625	615	660
	Quintile 2	890	785	795	815	675	650
	Quintile 3	690	635	545	610	525	460
	Quintile 4	450	415	385	405	335	320
	Quintile 5	490	425	410	365	350	295
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	905	890	760	765	735	775
	Quintile 2	1,050	975	945	965	820	760
	Quintile 3	800	760	660	720	625	530
	Quintile 4	555	505	470	495	400	375
	Quintile 5	585	540	495	435	420	345

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	3,040	2,950	2,820	2,725	2,505	2,395
	Quintile 2	3,725	3,475	3,560	3,275	3,080	2,665
	Quintile 3	3,015	2,725	2,605	2,705	2,375	2,060
	Quintile 4	2,135	1,925	1,840	1,850	1,760	1,585
	Quintile 5	2,095	1,915	1,975	1,930	1,750	1,510
Offers	Quintile 1	1,985	2,055	1,960	1,975	1,765	1,750
	Quintile 2	2,455	2,475	2,480	2,465	2,250	1,925
	Quintile 3	2,050	2,040	1,895	2,040	1,730	1,485
	Quintile 4	1,490	1,430	1,320	1,405	1,285	1,175
	Quintile 5	1,485	1,460	1,460	1,465	1,250	1,155
Offer rate	Quintile 1	65.2%	69.6%	69.5%	72.5%	70.5%	73.0%
	Quintile 2	65.9%	71.2%	69.7%	75.2%	73.1%	72.2%
	Quintile 3	68.1%	74.8%	72.8%	75.3%	72.9%	72.3%
	Quintile 4	69.7%	74.2%	71.8%	76.1%	73.0%	74.4%
	Quintile 5	71.0%	76.3%	73.9%	75.9%	71.3%	76.4%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	9,790	9,200	9,260	8,975	8,200	7,345
	Black	305	355	380	365	335	350
	Asian	430	410	435	485	480	420
	Mixed	260	255	285	275	305	250
	Other	90	80	90	100	85	115
Placed June deadline applicants	White	3,000	2,725	2,530	2,540	2,255	2,160
	Black	65	65	70	70	65	50
	Asian	110	95	80	120	95	80
	Mixed	75	75	65	65	60	65
	Other	20	20	15	25	20	35
All placed applicants	White	3,510	3,310	3,005	3,010	2,685	2,490
	Black	100	110	100	100	85	75
	Asian	140	135	110	155	130	105
	Mixed	95	90	85	80	70	85
	Other	30	25	25	25	25	40

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	12,550	11,595	11,330	11,030	10,020	8,860
	Black	395	430	455	410	375	415
	Asian	565	505	515	575	570	515
	Mixed	340	325	345	330	355	290
	Other	120	115	120	115	105	155
Offers	White	8,580	8,545	8,290	8,395	7,305	6,585
	Black	180	205	175	205	190	205
	Asian	375	365	335	400	440	390
	Mixed	230	240	235	250	230	220
	Other	75	80	70	80	75	110
Offer rate	White	68.3%	73.7%	73.2%	76.1%	72.9%	74.3%
	Black	45.8%	47.9%	38.9%	50.7%	50.8%	49.0%
	Asian	66.4%	72.4%	65.1%	69.6%	77.1%	75.4%
	Mixed	67.8%	74.3%	67.6%	75.7%	65.3%	75.2%
	Other	62.5%	70.7%	57.4%	69.2%	72.0%	71.2%

Technical Notes and Definitions

UCAS undergraduate scheme

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

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

Cycle year
The UCAS application cycle which runs from September to October the following year. For example the 2019 cycle runs from September 2018 through to October 2019.

End of cycle
The point in the cycle to which the numbers in this report refer, and the point at which the cycle is closed such that no more applications or offers can be made, and no more applicants can be placed. Numbers reported at the end of cycle exclude information on a small number of applicants who cancelled during the cycle.

Extra
Applicants who are unsuccessful in obtaining an offer or decline all offers may be eligible to apply through Extra, where they can apply to one further course at a time. Extra operates from 25 February until early July. It provides applicants who are eligible the possibility of obtaining an offer before exam results are published and Clearing starts.

June 30 deadline
The deadline for main scheme applications. Applicants who apply after this date will go directly into Clearing.

Record of Prior Acceptance (RPA)
RPA is an acceptance route used when a provider informs UCAS of applicants it has accepted outside of the normal application process (e.g. individuals who have applied directly to the provider).

Reporting groups

Ethnic group
High level grouping of ethnic origin as declared by the applicant: 'White', 'Black', 'Asian', 'Mixed', 'Other', 'Unknown'. Applicants who declare themselves as 'Unknown' ethnic origin are not reported in these tables, but are included in the associated csv data file.

POLAR4 quintile
Developed by OfS, POLAR4 classifies small areas across the UK into five groups according to their level of young participation in Higher Education. Each of these groups represents around 20 per cent of young people and is ranked from Quintile 1 (areas with the lowest young participation rates, considered as the most disadvantaged) to Quintile 5 (highest young participation rates, considered most advantaged). POLAR4 is based on the participation rates of young people between between 2009-10 and 2013-14 if they entered higher education aged 18, or between 2010-11 and 2014-15 if they entered aged 19, therefore is most suitable for applicants aged 19 and under. These groups are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant at the time of their application. If a UK postcode is invalid, considered unsafe for measurement or there is no link to Census geography possible then the applicant is not assigned to a quintile. Applicants with no POLAR4 quintile are not reported.

Sex
Sex as declared by the applicant.

Scottish index of multiple deprivation (SIMD) identifies small area concentrations of multiple deprivation across all of Scotland, providing a relative measure of deprivation amongst 6505 small areas (data zones) based on 7 socio-economic domains. These small areas are classified into five groups ranked from Quintile 1 (considered the most deprived) to Quintile 5 (considered least deprived), with equal populations in each quintile. Quintiles are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant, applicants declaring invalid postcodes are classified as 'Not assigned' and are not reported.

SIMD is only defined for applicants domiciled in Scotland, therefore any applicants domiciled outside of Scotland cannot be assigned to an SIMD quintile and so are not reported for this measure.

SIMD is only reported for providers in Scotland. Application and entry rates by SIMD are reported in the 2019 End of Cycle Report and the 2019 cycle January deadline application rate report.

Statistics reported in the tables

All placed applicants

The number of applicants placed for entry into higher education at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA.

All placed applicants per 10,000 population

The number of total UK domiciled 18 year old placed applicants for entry into higher education at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Average offer rate

The offer rate that you might expect if the predicted grades and subject choice of applicants were the only factors that influenced whether an applicant was made an offer by the provider. The average offer rate is calculated by dividing applicants according to their specific combination of grades (for A levels the best three predicted grades are used, for BTECs, International Baccalaureate and Scottish Highers and Advanced Highers, predicted grades along with any grades already achieved upon applying are used) and subject choice. For each combination the number of main scheme offers is divided by the number of main scheme applications, to give an overall offer rate. This is then multiplied by the number of applications made by the group for which the average offer rate is being calculated (for example POLAR4 quintile 1), to give an average number of offers for that group. These average number of offers are then added together across all combinations of predicted grade and subject and divided by the number of main scheme applications from the group to give the average offer rate.

The average offer rate does not attempt to control for any other factors that may play a part in the decision to make an offer, such as the subject of the qualifications studied, their relevance to a course, or the grade in each subject; higher numbers of A levels being studied; the exact profile of grades predicted; personal statements; teacher references; interviews; or any other criteria (such as work experience or portfolios) that may be part of the admissions decision.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Contribution of group to the average offer rate

The way in which the average offer rate is defined means that the pattern of application and offers of a group (for example POLAR4 quintile 1) will always contribute, in part, to the average offer rate for that group. When this contribution is large, the average offer rate will mainly reflect the patterns for the group, meaning that the value of the average offer rate will be similar to the offer rate, the percentage point difference statistic will be small, and any real difference between the offer rate and what might be expected given the predicted grades and subject choices of the applicants will be difficult to detect.

Values of the contribution of group to the average offer rate range between 0 and 1. The closer the value is to 1 the greater the contribution a group makes to its own average offer rate.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Placed June deadline applicants

An applicant who has been placed for entry into higher education at the provider through a June deadline application.

Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old placed June deadline applicants at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their June deadline applications. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider, but for placed June deadline applicants only. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider through a June deadline application.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

June deadline applications

An application (or choice) to a course in higher education to the provider that is made by the June 30 deadline. Each applicant can make up to five choices this way. The number of June deadline applications does not include choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs. Applications made to October deadline courses received after the October deadline are not included in these statistics.

June deadline applicants

The number of applicants that made at least one application to the provider by the June 30 deadline.

June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old June deadline applicants to the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, who applied by the June 30 deadline. It is equivalent to the application rate. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will apply to a provider by the June 30 deadline.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Offers

An offer is defined as a provider's decision in response to an application to offer a place to an applicant, often subject to the applicant satisfying academic and/or other criteria, via a June deadline application (i.e. does not cover choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs).

Offer rate

The number of offers made divided by the number of June deadline applications. This gives the proportion of all June deadline applications to the provider that received an offer.

Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate
The offer rate minus the average offer rate.

The percentage point difference can be compared to the expected range of statistical variation resulting from the calculation of the average offer rate using the Average Offer Rate Lookup Table. Where the value of the percentage point difference lies outside of this range, the percentage point difference may be considered to represent a real difference between the offer rate and the average offer rate.

Other definitions

Age
This analysis uses country-specific age definitions that align with the cut off points for school and college cohorts within the different administrations of the UK. For England and Wales, ages are defined on the 31 August, for Northern Ireland on the 1 July and for Scotland on the 28 February the following year. Defining ages in this way matches the assignment of children to school cohorts. For applicants outside of the UK a cohort cut off of 31 August has been used. Numbers for applicants aged 17 and under are included in the tables that report numbers for all age groups. Providers in Scotland typically receive a higher proportion of applicants aged 17 and under compared to providers elsewhere in the UK.

Provider
A higher education provider - a university or college.

UK domiciled
Declared area of permanent residence within England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Applicants from the Channel Islands and Isle of Man are not included.