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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

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- 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	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	2,140	1,785	1,670	2,010	1,845	1,750
Placed June deadline applicants	295	240	250	320	325	320
All placed applicants	415	350	395	485	445	405
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	27.7	23.5	22.2	26.3	24.6	23.6
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	3.8	3.2	3.3	4.2	4.3	4.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	5.4	4.6	5.2	6.3	5.9	5.5

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	2,265	1,930	1,785	2,160	1,970	1,860
Offers	1,935	1,655	1,465	1,820	1,465	1,355
Offer rate	85.4%	85.8%	82.1%	84.3%	74.3%	72.8%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	1,120	980	915	1,050	960	835
	Women	1,020	805	755	965	885	915
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	160	120	125	145	165	135
	Women	135	120	125	175	160	190
All placed applicants	Men	225	170	190	235	215	170
	Women	190	180	205	255	230	235
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	28.3	25.2	23.7	26.7	25.0	22.0
	Women	27.1	21.7	20.6	25.8	24.2	25.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	4.0	3.0	3.2	3.7	4.3	3.5
	Women	3.6	3.3	3.4	4.7	4.3	5.2
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	5.6	4.3	4.9	5.9	5.6	4.4
	Women	5.1	4.9	5.6	6.8	6.3	6.5

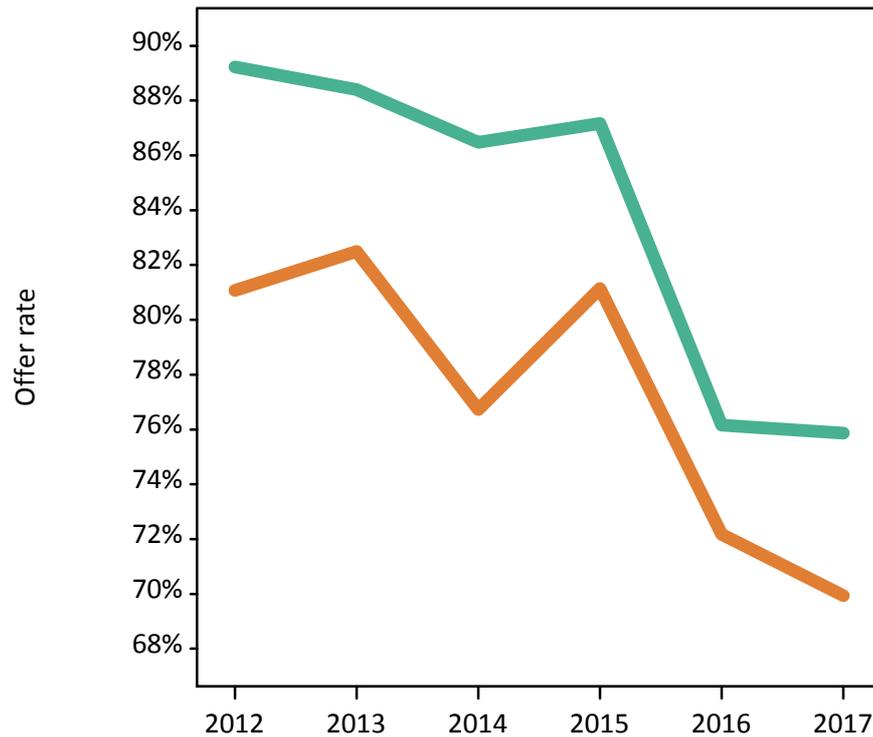
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	1,200	1,080	990	1,130	1,030	890
	Women	1,065	850	795	1,030	940	970
Offers	Men	1,070	955	855	985	785	675
	Women	865	700	610	835	675	675
Offer rate	Men	89.2%	88.4%	86.5%	87.2%	76.2%	75.9%
	Women	81.1%	82.5%	76.7%	81.1%	72.2%	69.9%
Average offer rate	Men	88.6%	88.4%	85.5%	87.0%	77.0%	76.6%
	Women	81.8%	82.4%	77.9%	81.4%	71.3%	69.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	0.6	-0.0	0.9	0.2	-0.8	-0.7
	Women	-0.7	0.0	-1.2	-0.2	0.9	0.7
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.733	0.750	0.757	0.749	0.757	0.737
	Women	0.700	0.684	0.697	0.724	0.733	0.758

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 2012-2017.

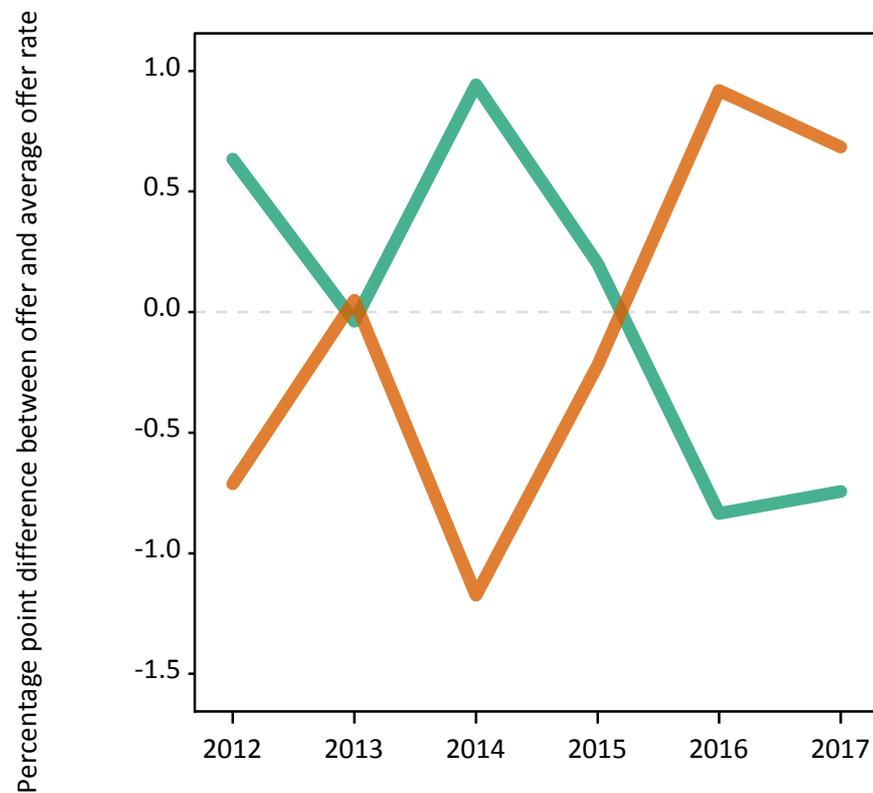
Men
Women



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 2012-2017.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	430	420	365	435	375	380
	Quintile 2	450	405	365	470	415	395
	Quintile 3	560	430	410	500	485	455
	Quintile 4	415	320	310	365	320	300
	Quintile 5	285	215	215	240	250	220
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	55	60	60	75	70	75
	Quintile 2	70	60	65	70	70	95
	Quintile 3	90	50	50	80	90	80
	Quintile 4	50	45	45	60	60	50
	Quintile 5	30	25	30	35	35	30
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	80	85	90	105	95	90
	Quintile 2	100	85	95	105	100	110
	Quintile 3	130	75	85	130	125	110
	Quintile 4	65	65	75	90	80	60
	Quintile 5	45	35	45	55	45	35
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	30.3	30.0	26.2	31.1	27.9	28.4
	Quintile 2	30.1	27.3	24.9	31.6	28.6	27.9
	Quintile 3	36.1	28.1	27.2	32.5	32.2	30.6
	Quintile 4	26.3	20.3	20.2	23.4	20.8	19.6
	Quintile 5	16.9	13.1	13.2	14.2	15.1	13.5
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	3.7	4.4	4.2	5.5	5.3	5.6
	Quintile 2	4.6	3.9	4.5	4.6	4.8	6.6
	Quintile 3	6.0	3.3	3.2	5.1	6.1	5.2
	Quintile 4	3.2	2.8	2.9	3.7	3.8	3.1
	Quintile 5	1.8	1.6	2.0	2.2	2.1	1.7
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	5.5	6.1	6.5	7.6	7.0	6.9
	Quintile 2	6.6	5.8	6.4	7.0	6.8	7.7
	Quintile 3	8.3	5.0	5.8	8.5	8.4	7.3
	Quintile 4	4.2	4.2	4.9	5.7	5.2	3.9
	Quintile 5	2.6	2.1	2.8	3.3	2.7	2.3

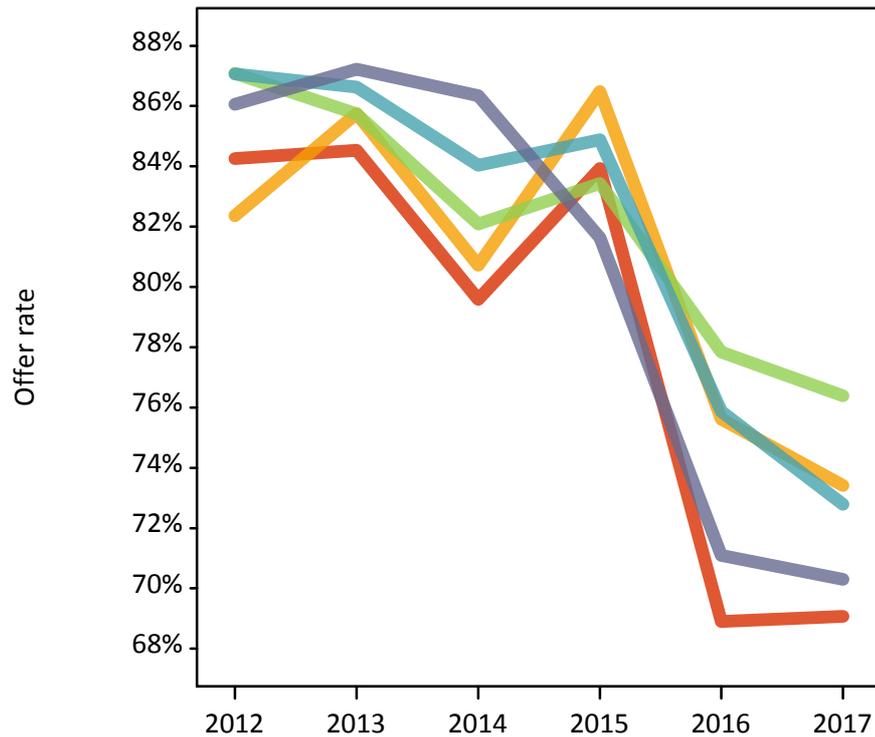
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	450	460	390	475	400	400
	Quintile 2	480	435	390	505	445	425
	Quintile 3	605	465	440	535	520	485
	Quintile 4	435	345	330	395	345	315
	Quintile 5	295	225	225	245	255	230
Offers	Quintile 1	380	390	310	395	275	275
	Quintile 2	395	375	315	435	340	310
	Quintile 3	525	395	360	450	405	370
	Quintile 4	375	300	280	335	260	230
	Quintile 5	255	200	195	200	180	160
Offer rate	Quintile 1	84.3%	84.5%	79.6%	83.9%	68.9%	69.1%
	Quintile 2	82.4%	85.7%	80.7%	86.5%	75.6%	73.4%
	Quintile 3	87.1%	85.7%	82.1%	83.4%	77.8%	76.4%
	Quintile 4	87.1%	86.6%	84.0%	84.9%	75.9%	72.8%
	Quintile 5	86.1%	87.2%	86.3%	81.6%	71.1%	70.3%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	84.0%	85.4%	80.3%	83.4%	70.3%	70.5%
	Quintile 2	83.5%	86.2%	81.6%	85.6%	76.4%	72.3%
	Quintile 3	85.7%	85.4%	82.0%	84.1%	76.9%	75.7%
	Quintile 4	86.8%	85.5%	83.7%	84.8%	73.8%	73.5%
	Quintile 5	87.7%	87.1%	84.3%	83.1%	72.2%	70.4%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.2	-0.9	-0.7	0.5	-1.4	-1.4
	Quintile 2	-1.1	-0.4	-0.9	0.9	-0.8	1.1
	Quintile 3	1.4	0.4	0.1	-0.7	0.9	0.7
	Quintile 4	0.2	1.2	0.3	0.0	2.1	-0.7
	Quintile 5	-1.7	0.1	2.1	-1.5	-1.1	-0.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.344	0.386	0.349	0.352	0.353	0.366
	Quintile 2	0.367	0.373	0.371	0.380	0.340	0.383
	Quintile 3	0.408	0.368	0.382	0.366	0.397	0.401
	Quintile 4	0.373	0.374	0.355	0.317	0.347	0.344
	Quintile 5	0.303	0.322	0.301	0.306	0.330	0.328

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.

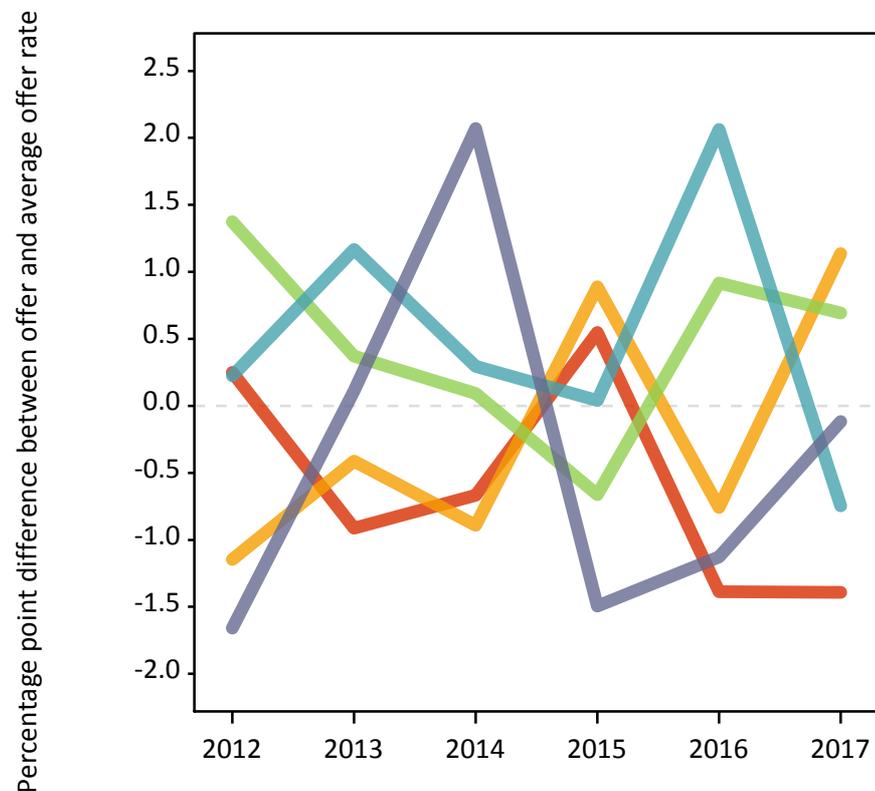
- Quintile 1
- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2012-2017.

- Quintile 1
- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	300	240	255	340	335	335
	Black	90	80	70	125	90	95
	Mixed	70	45	45	70	55	60
	White	1,665	1,395	1,280	1,445	1,335	1,240
	Other	10	20	15	25	15	20
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	35	15	20	45	35	30
	Black	15	5	5	15	10	20
	Mixed	10	5	5	10	15	10
	White	235	210	220	245	265	255
	Other	5	5	0	5	0	5
All placed applicants	Asian	55	40	50	95	70	50
	Black	25	20	15	30	15	25
	Mixed	15	10	15	20	20	15
	White	315	275	305	335	330	305
	Other	5	5	5	5	5	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	46.2	36.4	37.7	48.3	46.6	45.5
	Black	32.7	26.9	22.8	39.0	29.1	30.5
	Mixed	27.6	17.0	15.6	23.0	18.1	18.7
	White	25.8	22.2	20.7	23.2	22.0	20.9
	Other	13.6	24.3	18.3	23.9	17.1	17.5
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	5.1	2.0	2.7	6.4	5.0	4.3
	Black	4.6	2.4	1.6	4.1	2.6	6.7
	Mixed	3.1	1.8	2.4	3.9	4.4	3.4
	White	3.7	3.3	3.5	4.0	4.4	4.3
	Other	4.5	5.5	0.0	3.1	0.0	4.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	8.3	6.1	7.7	13.3	10.0	6.9
	Black	8.9	6.7	5.6	8.8	5.1	8.3
	Mixed	5.0	3.3	5.9	6.2	5.7	5.0
	White	4.9	4.3	4.9	5.4	5.5	5.2
	Other	7.9	6.6	3.2	6.2	3.0	5.8

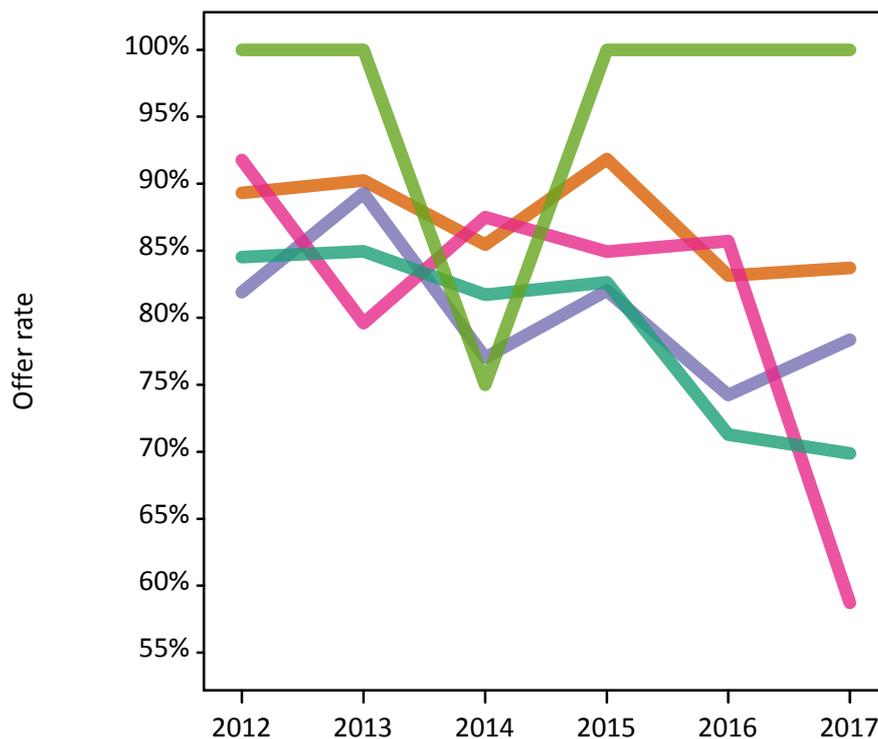
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	320	255	270	370	350	350
	Black	95	85	75	130	95	95
	Mixed	75	50	50	75	65	65
	White	1,765	1,515	1,370	1,560	1,430	1,325
	Other	10	20	20	25	20	20
Offers	Asian	285	230	230	340	290	295
	Black	75	75	55	105	70	75
	Mixed	65	40	40	60	55	35
	White	1,490	1,285	1,120	1,290	1,020	925
	Other	10	20	15	20	15	20
Offer rate	Asian	89.3%	90.2%	85.4%	91.8%	83.1%	83.7%
	Black	81.9%	89.3%	77.0%	82.0%	74.2%	78.4%
	Mixed	91.8%	79.6%	87.5%	84.9%	85.7%	58.7%
	White	84.5%	85.0%	81.7%	82.6%	71.3%	69.9%
	Other	100.0%	100.0%	75.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Average offer rate	Asian	89.6%	90.1%	87.6%	90.9%	83.4%	84.9%
	Black	85.5%	92.0%	80.2%	85.0%	74.9%	72.0%
	Mixed	87.2%	83.4%	84.9%	85.2%	78.5%	64.0%
	White	84.6%	84.7%	81.0%	82.5%	71.5%	69.9%
	Other	82.9%	90.2%	84.2%	90.3%	86.7%	82.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-0.3	0.1	-2.1	0.9	-0.2	-1.2
	Black	-3.6	-2.7	-3.1	-2.9	-0.7	6.3
	Mixed	4.6	N/A	N/A	-0.2	7.2	-5.3
	White	-0.0	0.2	0.7	0.1	-0.2	0.0
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.410	0.406	0.457	0.441	0.408	0.481
	Black	0.273	0.296	0.274	0.211	0.203	0.183
	Mixed	0.206	0.181	0.235	0.178	0.185	0.233
	White	0.850	0.850	0.854	0.811	0.807	0.809
	Other	0.187	0.210	0.324	0.191	0.133	0.222

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 2012-2017.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



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 2012-2017.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	4,785	4,150	3,885	4,935	4,515	4,405
Placed June deadline applicants	800	830	800	945	1,025	945
All placed applicants	1,225	1,215	1,540	1,540	1,450	1,425

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	5,275	4,565	4,215	5,375	4,895	4,840
Offers	3,850	3,445	3,060	3,900	3,140	3,065
Offer rate	73.0%	75.5%	72.6%	72.5%	64.1%	63.3%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Men	2,630	2,430	2,205	2,535	2,200	1,985
	Women	2,155	1,720	1,680	2,400	2,315	2,420
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	450	455	430	480	485	405
	Women	350	375	370	465	540	545
All placed applicants	Men	690	635	795	805	675	640
	Women	530	575	750	735	770	780

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Men	2,930	2,685	2,410	2,795	2,395	2,180
	Women	2,345	1,880	1,810	2,580	2,500	2,665
Offers	Men	2,185	2,095	1,825	2,105	1,660	1,525
	Women	1,665	1,350	1,240	1,795	1,475	1,545
Offer rate	Men	74.5%	78.0%	75.7%	75.3%	69.4%	69.9%
	Women	71.1%	71.9%	68.5%	69.6%	59.1%	57.9%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,100	1,000	935	1,230	1,105	1,110
	Quintile 2	1,020	880	850	1,110	1,005	990
	Quintile 3	1,210	1,015	935	1,225	1,100	1,060
	Quintile 4	880	755	705	815	780	745
	Quintile 5	560	495	450	545	520	485
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	190	225	210	245	270	255
	Quintile 2	165	175	165	205	220	230
	Quintile 3	225	200	190	235	255	220
	Quintile 4	150	140	140	160	185	155
	Quintile 5	70	90	100	100	100	85
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	300	325	415	385	380	365
	Quintile 2	260	260	325	330	325	325
	Quintile 3	330	300	380	400	350	360
	Quintile 4	225	195	260	255	250	250
	Quintile 5	110	125	160	160	135	120

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,215	1,120	1,020	1,355	1,200	1,230
	Quintile 2	1,135	970	925	1,195	1,090	1,095
	Quintile 3	1,355	1,120	1,030	1,330	1,205	1,175
	Quintile 4	960	815	755	905	845	810
	Quintile 5	600	535	475	575	550	510
Offers	Quintile 1	885	820	710	935	705	730
	Quintile 2	805	755	665	870	705	680
	Quintile 3	980	855	750	985	810	775
	Quintile 4	730	610	570	670	560	540
	Quintile 5	445	400	360	435	355	330
Offer rate	Quintile 1	73.0%	73.2%	69.4%	68.8%	59.0%	59.4%
	Quintile 2	71.1%	78.1%	72.0%	72.7%	64.6%	62.2%
	Quintile 3	72.3%	76.2%	72.8%	73.9%	67.2%	65.9%
	Quintile 4	76.0%	75.0%	75.4%	74.0%	66.2%	66.4%
	Quintile 5	74.2%	74.7%	75.6%	75.8%	64.3%	64.6%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applicants	Asian	775	625	605	770	770	710
	Black	490	440	355	660	570	605
	Mixed	175	145	135	205	175	190
	White	3,240	2,840	2,700	3,185	2,865	2,755
	Other	75	70	75	80	95	105
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	115	90	90	115	125	90
	Black	85	105	80	105	110	135
	Mixed	25	25	20	40	50	50
	White	550	585	595	665	715	640
	Other	20	20	15	10	15	20
All placed applicants	Asian	200	175	245	270	220	190
	Black	175	190	235	235	200	225
	Mixed	45	40	80	65	60	75
	White	765	770	935	930	915	850
	Other	30	30	30	30	30	55

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
June deadline applications	Asian	865	695	655	845	830	770
	Black	540	480	380	705	630	665
	Mixed	190	160	140	220	190	210
	White	3,555	3,120	2,925	3,480	3,100	3,030
	Other	90	75	90	85	105	125
Offers	Asian	675	570	510	655	610	595
	Black	305	280	235	390	325	355
	Mixed	135	110	105	155	120	135
	White	2,670	2,415	2,150	2,620	1,985	1,885
	Other	50	50	50	60	65	75
Offer rate	Asian	78.2%	81.6%	78.3%	77.4%	73.6%	77.1%
	Black	56.5%	58.6%	61.4%	55.1%	51.8%	53.6%
	Mixed	71.4%	69.8%	72.5%	71.4%	63.7%	63.0%
	White	75.1%	77.3%	73.6%	75.3%	64.1%	62.1%
	Other	54.3%	65.8%	53.8%	69.0%	60.6%	62.6%

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 2017 cycle runs from September 2016 through to October 2017.

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.

POLAR3 quintile

Developed by HEFCE, POLAR3 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). POLAR3 is based on the participation rates of young people between 2005 and 2009 who entered Higher Education between 2005-06 and 2010-11, 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 POLAR3 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 2017 End of Cycle Report and the 2017 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 POLAR3 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 POLAR3 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.