N91: unconditional offers



Nottingham Trent University's perspective on unconditional offers:

Nottingham Trent University's unconditional offer scheme is targeted at high performing applicants.

The university carefully monitors the scheme, and has found applicants who enrol at NTU through our unconditional offers scheme attain, on average, higher grades than students who receive conditional offers.

Applicants need to demonstrate their suitability for a course through their personal statement and references, and are only considered for unconditional offers if they have demonstrated exceptional academic performance in their schooling, and have predicted grades that exceed the university's required tariff.

For creative subjects, we also consider applicants for unconditional offers after interview and/or the submission of an exceptional portfolio of creative work.

All applicants are informed of the importance of maintaining their academic performance at school/college in order to achieve or exceed their predicted grades.

Definitions of offer types:

Unconditional offer

This is an offer made by a provider where they are satisfied that an individual has demonstrated sufficient attainment and potential to succeed on their chosen programme. Based on the offer status at the 30 June application deadline.

Conditional unconditional offer

An offer made by a provider which was originally conditional, but becomes unconditional if the applicant selects that offer as their firm (first) choice. By definition, conditional unconditional offers that are selected as a firm choice by the applicant become unconditional and are also included in the unconditional offers group (see above).

Offer with an unconditional component

All offers showing as having an element of unconditional offer-making, that is, unconditional offers plus conditional unconditional offers that have not been selected as firm (and hence remain conditional unconditional).

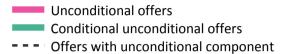
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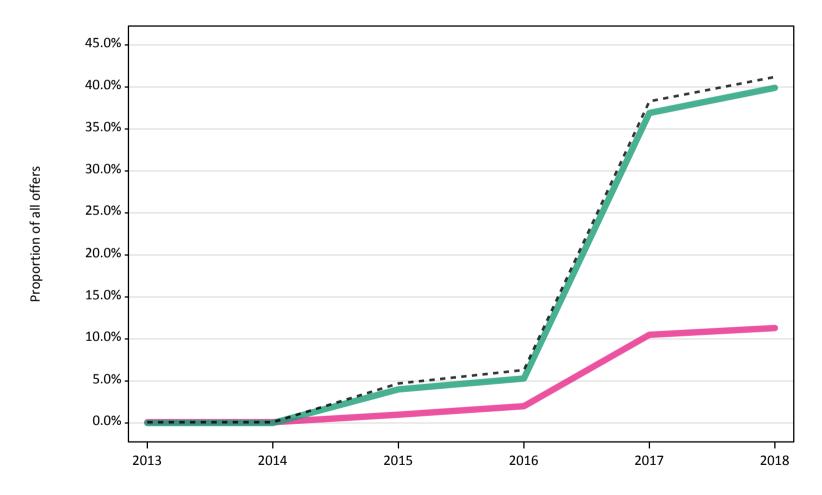
All offers made by the provider, subject to the coverage of this report. This includes conditional as well as unconditional offers to 18-year-old main scheme applicants domiciled in England, Northern Ireland, and Wales.

Technical note:

The coverage of this report is limited to offers made by 30 June, to 18-year-old main scheme applicants domiciled in England, Northern Ireland, and Wales. This is because these applicants are least likely to apply already having achieved a full set of qualifications typically required for undergraduate higher education.

A.1 Proportion of all offers that are unconditional, by cycle year





A.2 Unconditional offers by cycle year

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Unconditional offers	20	15	195	390	2,000	2,385
Conditional unconditional offers	0	0	780	1,030	7,010	8,380
Offers with unconditional component	20	15	915	1,240	7,280	8,660
All offers (conditional and unconditional)	16,855	17,795	19,470	19,500	18,990	21,005

A.3 Proportion of all offers that are unconditional, by cycle year

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Unconditional offers	0.1%	0.1%	1.0%	2.0%	10.5%	11.3%
Conditional unconditional offers	0.0%	0.0%	4.0%	5.3%	36.9%	39.9%
Offers with unconditional component	0.1%	0.1%	4.7%	6.3%	38.3%	41.2%

Note: Percentage values are not printed in the above table if the total rounded number of offers for that year is below 100.