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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 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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	19,060	17,135	16,450	17,300	16,815	17,430
Placed June deadline applicants	2,810	2,650	2,300	2,720	2,475	3,055
All placed applicants	2,900	2,735	2,475	2,970	2,815	3,610
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	241.4	222.5	212.7	227.3	223.2	227.5
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	35.6	34.4	29.7	35.7	32.8	39.9
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	36.7	35.5	32.0	39.0	37.3	47.1

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	19,635	17,610	16,915	17,715	17,210	17,855
Offers	13,705	12,785	12,460	13,760	13,855	15,000
Offer rate	69.8%	72.6%	73.7%	77.7%	80.5%	84.0%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	9,095	8,345	7,925	8,390	7,995	8,545
	Women	9,965	8,790	8,525	8,910	8,820	8,890
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,385	1,270	1,120	1,325	1,210	1,485
	Women	1,425	1,380	1,180	1,395	1,260	1,570
All placed applicants	Men	1,435	1,300	1,180	1,450	1,395	1,780
	Women	1,465	1,435	1,295	1,520	1,420	1,830
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	226.5	212.1	199.8	214.9	206.5	217.7
	Women	256.9	233.4	226.2	240.4	240.9	237.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	34.5	32.2	28.2	33.9	31.3	37.9
	Women	36.7	36.6	31.3	37.6	34.5	42.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	35.8	33.1	29.7	37.2	36.0	45.3
	Women	37.8	38.1	34.3	41.0	38.7	49.0

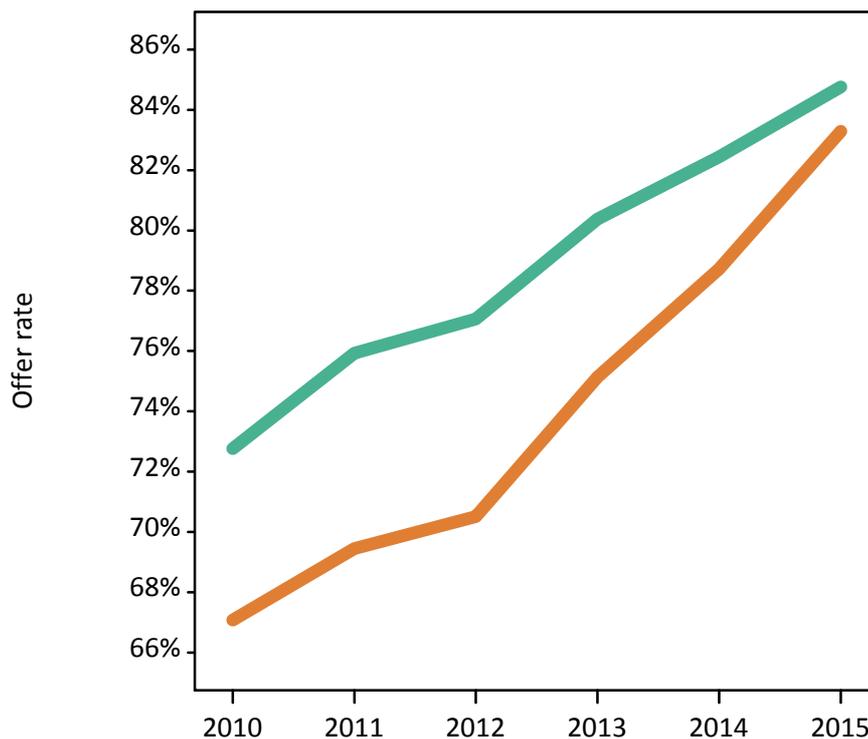
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	9,420	8,600	8,170	8,615	8,210	8,760
	Women	10,215	9,015	8,750	9,100	9,000	9,095
Offers	Men	6,855	6,530	6,295	6,925	6,770	7,425
	Women	6,850	6,260	6,170	6,835	7,085	7,575
Offer rate	Men	72.8%	75.9%	77.1%	80.4%	82.4%	84.8%
	Women	67.1%	69.4%	70.5%	75.1%	78.7%	83.3%
Average offer rate	Men	73.2%	76.3%	77.0%	80.6%	82.3%	85.1%
	Women	66.7%	69.0%	70.5%	74.9%	78.8%	83.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-0.4	-0.4	0.0	-0.3	0.1	-0.3
	Women	0.4	0.4	-0.0	0.2	-0.1	0.3
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.607	0.623	0.625	0.628	0.631	0.641
	Women	0.637	0.641	0.650	0.648	0.663	0.655

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 2010-2015.

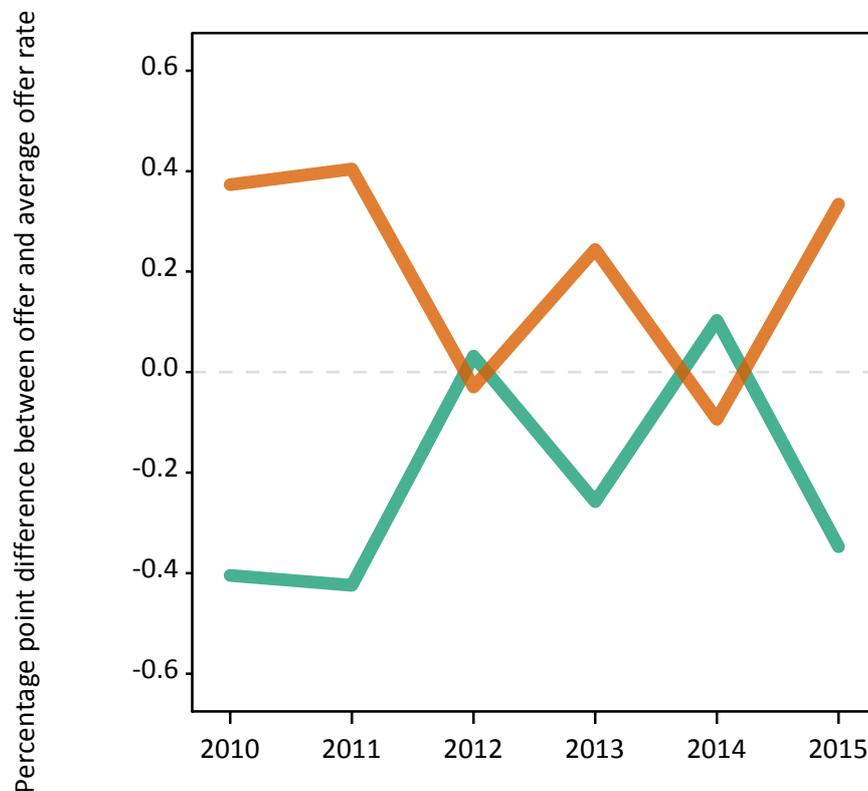
Men
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,165	985	1,025	1,135	1,135	1,215
	Quintile 2	2,085	1,835	1,825	1,915	1,920	1,945
	Quintile 3	3,190	2,865	2,775	3,015	2,885	3,140
	Quintile 4	4,900	4,320	4,225	4,365	4,245	4,365
	Quintile 5	7,690	7,085	6,580	6,840	6,605	6,725
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	145	145	160	190	170	235
	Quintile 2	305	275	245	300	280	350
	Quintile 3	445	420	405	440	385	490
	Quintile 4	725	705	580	735	655	795
	Quintile 5	1,190	1,095	910	1,050	980	1,170
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	155	155	175	205	190	260
	Quintile 2	310	285	265	325	305	400
	Quintile 3	460	440	435	480	450	585
	Quintile 4	745	725	625	800	725	930
	Quintile 5	1,230	1,125	970	1,150	1,140	1,425
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	78.6	68.5	71.9	81.4	81.6	86.6
	Quintile 2	135.5	122.1	121.8	130.0	131.2	130.8
	Quintile 3	200.7	186.2	179.7	197.7	191.6	204.6
	Quintile 4	307.6	275.9	266.1	279.0	275.5	278.9
	Quintile 5	453.9	428.0	391.6	413.5	404.9	401.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	9.9	10.2	11.1	13.5	12.3	16.9
	Quintile 2	19.7	18.2	16.2	20.4	19.1	23.7
	Quintile 3	27.9	27.4	26.2	28.7	25.6	32.0
	Quintile 4	45.4	45.1	36.6	46.9	42.6	50.8
	Quintile 5	70.1	66.2	54.3	63.5	60.0	69.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	10.3	10.6	12.2	14.8	13.6	18.5
	Quintile 2	20.2	19.0	17.5	21.9	20.8	27.1
	Quintile 3	28.9	28.5	28.3	31.5	29.8	38.1
	Quintile 4	46.8	46.4	39.4	51.3	47.1	59.4
	Quintile 5	72.5	68.0	57.9	69.5	69.8	85.0

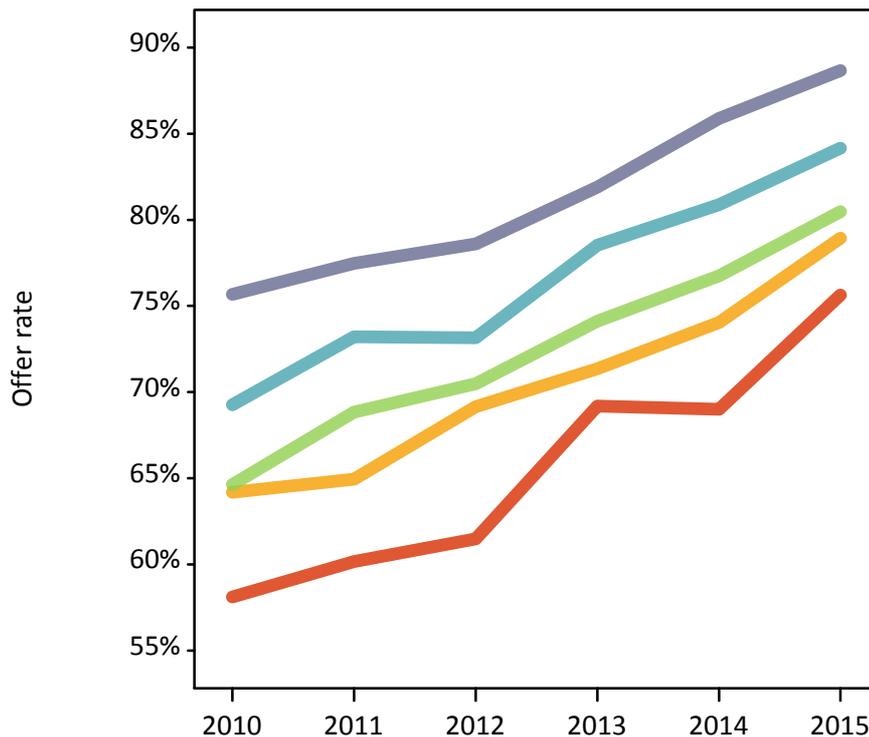
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,205	1,015	1,060	1,190	1,205	1,260
	Quintile 2	2,160	1,905	1,890	1,970	1,975	2,000
	Quintile 3	3,300	2,955	2,865	3,080	2,950	3,225
	Quintile 4	5,055	4,435	4,335	4,465	4,340	4,475
	Quintile 5	7,885	7,260	6,740	6,975	6,715	6,850
Offers	Quintile 1	700	610	655	820	830	955
	Quintile 2	1,385	1,235	1,305	1,405	1,465	1,575
	Quintile 3	2,130	2,035	2,020	2,285	2,265	2,595
	Quintile 4	3,500	3,245	3,175	3,505	3,510	3,765
	Quintile 5	5,965	5,625	5,295	5,715	5,765	6,075
Offer rate	Quintile 1	58.1%	60.2%	61.5%	69.2%	69.0%	75.6%
	Quintile 2	64.2%	65.0%	69.2%	71.4%	74.1%	78.9%
	Quintile 3	64.6%	68.8%	70.5%	74.1%	76.8%	80.5%
	Quintile 4	69.3%	73.2%	73.2%	78.5%	80.9%	84.2%
	Quintile 5	75.7%	77.5%	78.6%	81.9%	85.9%	88.7%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	60.2%	61.8%	62.5%	70.2%	70.0%	75.5%
	Quintile 2	65.5%	67.3%	69.4%	72.6%	75.2%	80.0%
	Quintile 3	66.0%	69.7%	71.0%	74.9%	77.3%	80.8%
	Quintile 4	69.3%	72.6%	73.5%	78.1%	81.6%	84.5%
	Quintile 5	74.4%	76.7%	77.9%	81.3%	84.6%	88.0%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-2.1	-1.6	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	0.1
	Quintile 2	-1.4	-2.3	-0.2	-1.3	-1.2	-1.1
	Quintile 3	-1.4	-0.8	-0.6	-0.8	-0.5	-0.4
	Quintile 4	-0.0	0.6	-0.4	0.4	-0.7	-0.3
	Quintile 5	1.3	0.8	0.7	0.6	1.2	0.7
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.138	0.146	0.146	0.151	0.154	0.145
	Quintile 2	0.169	0.173	0.175	0.174	0.183	0.177
	Quintile 3	0.220	0.222	0.223	0.227	0.230	0.236
	Quintile 4	0.294	0.295	0.296	0.294	0.295	0.298
	Quintile 5	0.453	0.461	0.450	0.446	0.442	0.441

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

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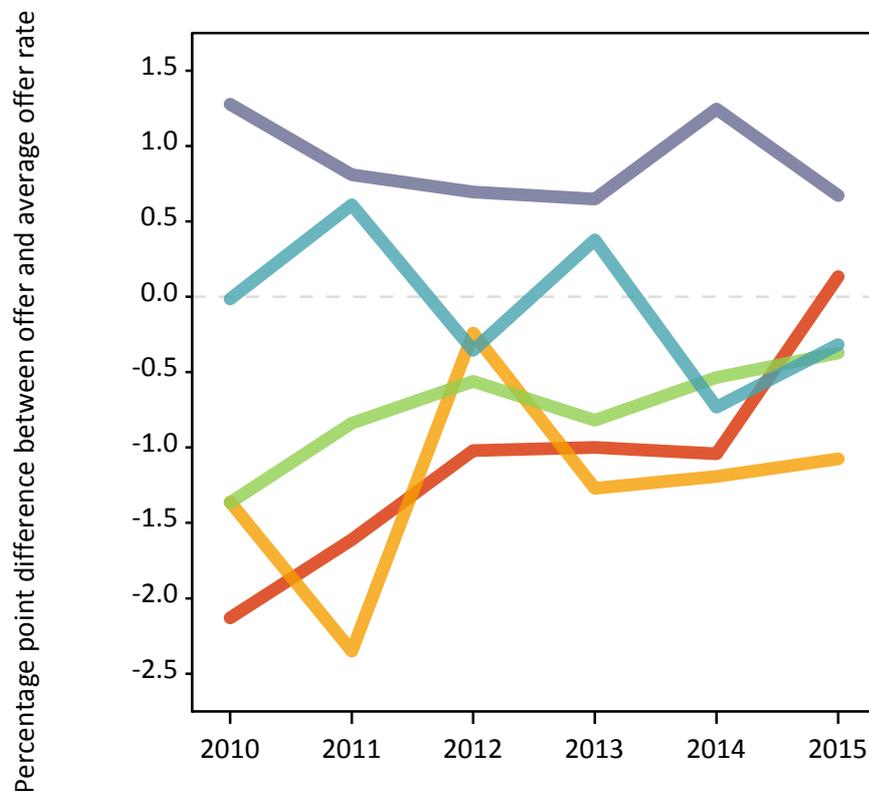
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- Quintile 5



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 2010-2015.

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



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,430	1,525	1,465	1,685	1,570	1,700
	Black	715	640	580	830	850	950
	Mixed	665	665	685	745	730	775
	White	15,970	14,005	13,455	13,780	13,405	13,685
	Other	135	160	150	170	165	215
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	150	135	145	195	170	255
	Black	60	55	55	85	90	100
	Mixed	90	100	90	115	105	125
	White	2,480	2,325	1,980	2,290	2,080	2,525
	Other	10	15	10	15	20	35
All placed applicants	Asian	160	145	175	235	240	345
	Black	65	65	70	100	110	140
	Mixed	95	105	95	130	115	165
	White	2,540	2,385	2,100	2,475	2,310	2,900
	Other	10	20	15	20	25	45
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	231.5	242.1	226.2	255.2	231.4	240.1
	Black	272.4	234.8	205.3	279.2	280.8	298.2
	Mixed	286.2	274.6	263.8	275.2	254.4	251.4
	White	238.1	216.3	208.4	219.0	217.3	219.7
	Other	175.3	196.3	169.5	187.5	176.2	222.2
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	23.9	21.1	22.5	29.9	24.8	35.8
	Black	23.3	20.8	19.9	28.0	30.0	32.1
	Mixed	38.4	42.1	34.6	42.9	36.1	40.2
	White	36.9	35.9	30.6	36.4	33.7	40.6
	Other	14.3	21.0	13.6	18.7	19.3	37.4
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Asian	26.0	22.8	27.2	35.5	35.4	48.6
	Black	25.6	23.4	24.1	34.0	35.6	43.7
	Mixed	41.4	44.2	37.2	47.3	40.0	53.2
	White	37.9	36.9	32.5	39.3	37.4	46.6
	Other	15.6	23.5	14.7	21.0	26.9	45.7

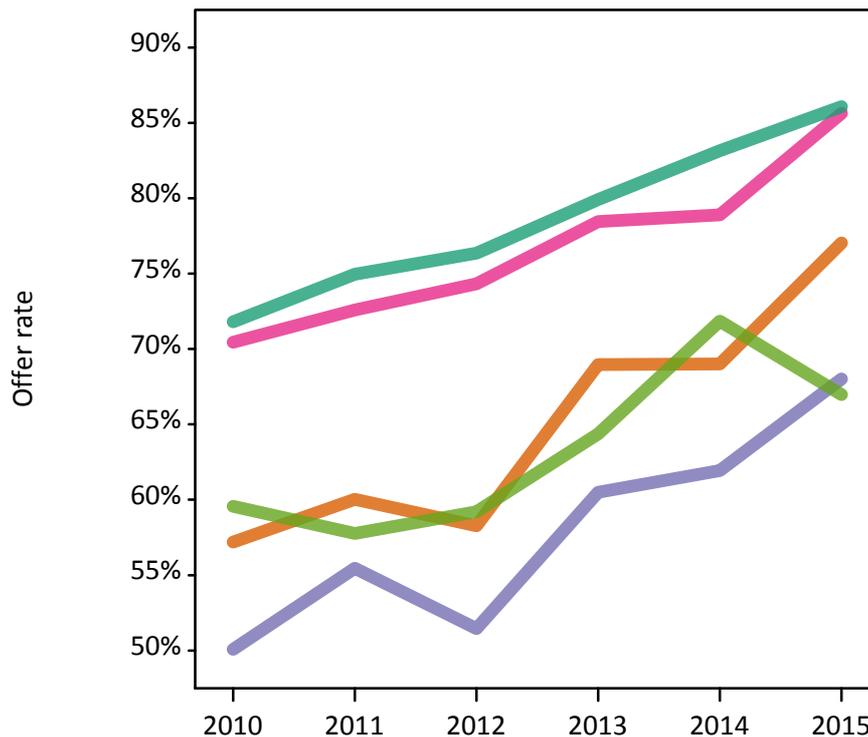
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	1,460	1,555	1,490	1,715	1,595	1,720
	Black	725	650	580	840	860	955
	Mixed	680	675	705	760	745	795
	White	16,485	14,430	13,865	14,135	13,750	14,055
	Other	135	160	150	175	165	220
Offers	Asian	835	935	870	1,180	1,100	1,325
	Black	365	360	300	505	530	650
	Mixed	480	490	525	595	585	680
	White	11,840	10,815	10,590	11,300	11,435	12,100
	Other	80	95	90	110	120	145
Offer rate	Asian	57.2%	60.0%	58.3%	69.0%	69.0%	77.0%
	Black	50.1%	55.5%	51.5%	60.5%	61.9%	68.0%
	Mixed	70.4%	72.6%	74.3%	78.4%	78.9%	85.6%
	White	71.8%	75.0%	76.4%	79.9%	83.2%	86.1%
	Other	59.6%	57.8%	59.2%	64.4%	71.9%	67.0%
Average offer rate	Asian	57.4%	62.4%	59.2%	70.1%	71.5%	77.8%
	Black	52.3%	58.3%	55.8%	62.5%	64.4%	70.6%
	Mixed	69.9%	72.9%	74.0%	78.4%	81.4%	85.2%
	White	71.7%	74.5%	76.1%	79.7%	82.6%	85.8%
	Other	61.9%	57.4%	59.6%	67.3%	71.7%	72.9%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Asian	-0.2	-2.4	-0.9	-1.2	-2.5	-0.8
	Black	-2.3	-2.9	-4.4	-2.0	-2.5	-2.5
	Mixed	0.5	-0.3	0.3	0.0	-2.5	0.4
	White	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3
	Other	-2.4	0.3	-0.4	-2.9	0.1	-5.9
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Asian	0.192	0.206	0.209	0.196	0.202	0.205
	Black	0.146	0.140	0.134	0.165	0.173	0.156
	Mixed	0.084	0.093	0.103	0.107	0.104	0.113
	White	0.864	0.847	0.848	0.829	0.829	0.817
	Other	0.076	0.074	0.054	0.073	0.107	0.083

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 2010-2015.

- 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 2010-2015.

- Asian
- Black
- Mixed
- White
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	29,545	27,730	25,920	27,275	27,260	27,445
Placed June deadline applicants	4,240	4,075	3,275	4,005	3,665	4,445
All placed applicants	4,465	4,295	3,595	4,430	4,160	5,195

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	30,930	28,890	26,980	28,290	28,260	28,360
Offers	17,505	16,760	15,645	17,705	17,970	19,700
Offer rate	56.6%	58.0%	58.0%	62.6%	63.6%	69.5%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	13,290	12,455	11,720	12,550	12,350	12,990
	Women	16,260	15,275	14,200	14,725	14,915	14,455
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	1,875	1,755	1,475	1,800	1,645	2,065
	Women	2,370	2,320	1,800	2,205	2,020	2,385
All placed applicants	Men	1,965	1,835	1,565	1,995	1,910	2,455
	Women	2,500	2,460	2,030	2,440	2,250	2,745

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	13,860	12,955	12,200	12,995	12,790	13,400
	Women	17,070	15,935	14,785	15,295	15,470	14,960
Offers	Men	8,475	8,190	7,690	8,750	8,545	9,685
	Women	9,030	8,570	7,955	8,955	9,425	10,015
Offer rate	Men	61.1%	63.2%	63.0%	67.3%	66.8%	72.3%
	Women	52.9%	53.8%	53.8%	58.6%	60.9%	67.0%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	2,440	2,300	2,215	2,375	2,385	2,500
	Quintile 2	3,600	3,415	3,200	3,410	3,520	3,460
	Quintile 3	5,180	4,925	4,585	5,010	4,970	5,165
	Quintile 4	7,500	6,855	6,490	6,650	6,775	6,755
	Quintile 5	10,745	10,150	9,370	9,760	9,555	9,480
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	335	325	300	345	310	405
	Quintile 2	515	475	375	495	445	555
	Quintile 3	710	695	575	690	630	750
	Quintile 4	1,070	1,070	825	1,035	940	1,135
	Quintile 5	1,590	1,495	1,195	1,425	1,330	1,590
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	355	355	335	385	345	460
	Quintile 2	545	500	420	540	485	630
	Quintile 3	745	730	640	765	720	875
	Quintile 4	1,135	1,120	900	1,145	1,050	1,315
	Quintile 5	1,670	1,575	1,295	1,580	1,550	1,905

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,625	2,450	2,340	2,540	2,560	2,640
	Quintile 2	3,795	3,590	3,360	3,575	3,660	3,595
	Quintile 3	5,460	5,160	4,805	5,215	5,170	5,350
	Quintile 4	7,870	7,135	6,745	6,865	7,025	6,990
	Quintile 5	11,100	10,465	9,665	10,020	9,785	9,700
Offers	Quintile 1	1,095	1,010	1,020	1,205	1,230	1,425
	Quintile 2	1,860	1,735	1,705	1,950	2,000	2,200
	Quintile 3	2,795	2,720	2,545	3,025	3,080	3,500
	Quintile 4	4,485	4,275	4,005	4,455	4,525	4,945
	Quintile 5	7,225	6,960	6,345	7,020	7,105	7,580
Offer rate	Quintile 1	41.7%	41.3%	43.5%	47.4%	48.2%	54.0%
	Quintile 2	49.0%	48.3%	50.7%	54.6%	54.7%	61.3%
	Quintile 3	51.2%	52.7%	52.9%	58.0%	59.6%	65.4%
	Quintile 4	57.0%	60.0%	59.3%	64.9%	64.4%	70.8%
	Quintile 5	65.1%	66.5%	65.6%	70.1%	72.6%	78.1%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	2,620	2,750	2,780	2,970	2,895	2,945
	Black	1,665	1,640	1,520	1,795	1,900	2,110
	Mixed	1,065	1,075	1,025	1,155	1,195	1,220
	White	23,655	21,645	20,015	20,770	20,715	20,535
	Other	280	320	340	365	330	420
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	245	210	220	285	280	380
	Black	115	115	110	135	160	185
	Mixed	140	155	125	170	140	185
	White	3,690	3,530	2,770	3,360	3,030	3,610
	Other	25	30	30	30	30	60
All placed applicants	Asian	265	240	265	345	380	500
	Black	135	130	135	170	190	245
	Mixed	150	165	135	185	160	240
	White	3,840	3,685	2,995	3,660	3,365	4,110
	Other	30	35	35	40	40	70

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	2,710	2,835	2,880	3,035	2,970	2,990
	Black	1,760	1,715	1,585	1,870	1,965	2,175
	Mixed	1,110	1,100	1,065	1,200	1,225	1,265
	White	24,790	22,600	20,860	21,580	21,525	21,285
	Other	290	330	345	375	335	430
Offers	Asian	1,180	1,265	1,200	1,590	1,555	1,880
	Black	515	545	485	710	790	955
	Mixed	635	665	640	795	760	920
	White	14,915	14,005	13,055	14,335	14,575	15,580
	Other	115	135	140	175	170	225
Offer rate	Asian	43.5%	44.7%	41.7%	52.3%	52.3%	62.9%
	Black	29.2%	31.7%	30.5%	37.9%	40.3%	43.9%
	Mixed	57.1%	60.3%	60.2%	66.5%	62.1%	72.8%
	White	60.2%	62.0%	62.6%	66.4%	67.7%	73.2%
	Other	39.2%	40.9%	40.4%	46.4%	50.1%	52.3%

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 2015 cycle runs from September 2014 through to October 2015.

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 quintile

Scottish index of multiple deprivation (SIMD) for 2012 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 2015 End of Cycle Report and the 2016 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.

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.