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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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	7,965	8,605	6,355	9,720	13,285	11,475
Placed June deadline applicants	1,070	1,115	880	1,295	1,515	1,350
All placed applicants	1,180	1,175	960	1,415	1,630	1,485
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	100.9	111.7	82.1	127.7	176.4	149.8
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	13.6	14.5	11.4	17.0	20.1	17.6
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	14.9	15.3	12.4	18.6	21.6	19.4

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	8,175	8,785	6,470	9,905	13,590	11,745
Offers	6,330	6,735	5,195	7,125	9,740	7,525
Offer rate	77.4%	76.7%	80.3%	71.9%	71.7%	64.1%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	3,785	4,070	3,220	4,520	6,565	4,820
	Women	4,180	4,535	3,130	5,205	6,720	6,650
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	475	515	445	615	785	590
	Women	595	600	435	680	730	760
All placed applicants	Men	525	535	480	670	835	665
	Women	655	640	475	750	790	820
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	94.2	103.4	81.2	115.7	169.5	122.9
population	Women	107.8	120.4	83.1	140.4	183.6	178.0
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	11.9	13.0	11.2	15.7	20.3	15.0
10,000 population	Women	15.3	15.9	11.5	18.4	19.9	20.4
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	13.0	13.6	12.2	17.1	21.6	17.0
population	Women	16.9	17.0	12.7	20.2	21.6	21.9

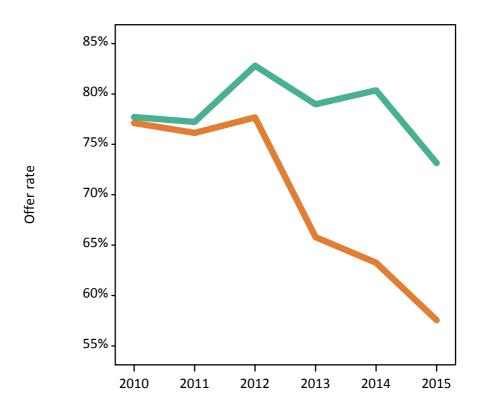
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	3,890	4,160	3,295	4,610	6,690	4,920
	Women	4,290	4,625	3,175	5,295	6,900	6,825
Offers	Men	3,020	3,210	2,725	3,640	5,380	3,600
	Women	3,305	3,525	2,465	3,485	4,365	3,930
Offer rate	Men	77.7%	77.2%	82.8%	79.0%	80.4%	73.1%
	Women	77.1%	76.1%	77.7%	65.8%	63.3%	57.6%
Average offer rate	Men	78.1%	77.9%	83.0%	78.1%	79.8%	72.8%
	Women	76.8%	75.5%	77.5%	66.6%	63.8%	57.8%
Percentage point difference between	Men	-0.4	-0.7	-0.2	0.9	0.6	0.3
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	0.4	0.6	0.2	-0.8	-0.6	-0.2
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.682	0.663	0.723	0.647	0.668	0.636
offer rate	Women	0.711	0.697	0.713	0.693	0.678	0.738

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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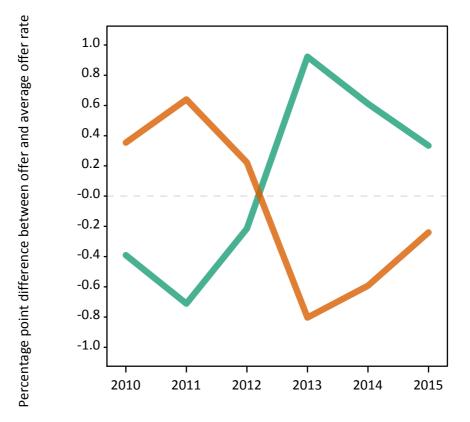




P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic PC	LAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	590	615	435	725	1,030	1,000
	Quintile 2	1,015	1,055	785	1,245	1,800	1,560
	Quintile 3	1,620	1,705	1,255	1,985	2,605	2,290
	Quintile 4	2,110	2,340	1,715	2,540	3,400	2,940
	Quintile 5	2,615	2,880	2,155	3,210	4,435	3,650
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	85	80	50	70	110	100
	Quintile 2	140	135	110	180	210	185
	Quintile 3	225	240	185	270	290	255
	Quintile 4	285	295	245	355	435	385
	Quintile 5	335	360	290	415	465	425
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	95	85	65	75	120	110
	Quintile 2	150	140	115	195	225	200
	Quintile 3	250	250	195	310	310	285
	Quintile 4	310	315	265	385	470	415
	Quintile 5	370	380	320	450	505	475
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	39.7	42.7	30.5	52.1	73.9	71.5
population	Quintile 2	65.9	70.2	52.3	84.4	123.1	105.2
	Quintile 3	102.0	110.7	81.4	130.3	173.2	149.1
	Quintile 4	132.4	149.3	108.0	162.4	220.5	187.7
	Quintile 5	154.3	173.9	128.4	194.2	271.9	218.1
Placed June deadline applicants per	Quintile 1	5.6	5.7	3.7	5.1	8.0	7.2
10,000 population	Quintile 2	9.0	8.8	7.2	12.4	14.3	12.5
	Quintile 3	14.0	15.5	11.9	17.8	19.3	16.5
	Quintile 4	17.8	18.8	15.3	22.6	28.4	24.5
	Quintile 5	19.9	21.9	17.3	25.1	28.4	25.3
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	6.4	6.1	4.4	5.5	8.6	7.8
population	Quintile 2	9.8	9.2	7.7	13.2	15.4	13.3
	Quintile 3	15.7	16.1	12.5	20.3	20.7	18.6
	Quintile 4	19.5	20.2	16.6	24.5	30.4	26.5
	Quintile 5	21.8	23.0	19.1	27.3	30.9	28.3

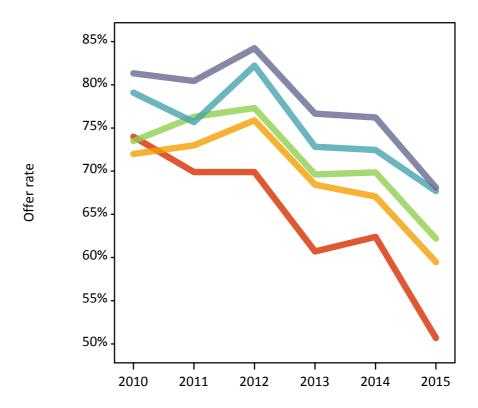
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic POI	LAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	600	630	445	745	1,060	1,030
	Quintile 2	1,055	1,075	800	1,260	1,845	1,590
	Quintile 3	1,660	1,735	1,275	2,025	2,665	2,345
	Quintile 4	2,165	2,385	1,730	2,590	3,480	3,010
	Quintile 5	2,680	2,945	2,210	3,275	4,530	3,735
Offers	Quintile 1	445	440	310	450	660	525
	Quintile 2	760	785	605	865	1,240	945
	Quintile 3	1,220	1,325	985	1,410	1,860	1,455
	Quintile 4	1,715	1,805	1,425	1,885	2,520	2,040
	Quintile 5	2,180	2,370	1,860	2,510	3,450	2,545
Offer rate	Quintile 1	74.0%	69.9%	69.9%	60.7%	62.4%	50.7%
	Quintile 2	72.0%	73.0%	75.9%	68.4%	67.1%	59.5%
	Quintile 3	73.5%	76.3%	77.3%	69.6%	69.9%	62.2%
	Quintile 4	79.1%	75.7%	82.2%	72.8%	72.5%	67.7%
	Quintile 5	81.3%	80.4%	84.2%	76.7%	76.2%	68.1%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	70.3%	71.5%	71.5%	63.5%	63.3%	53.0%
	Quintile 2	74.2%	73.0%	76.3%	68.8%	67.7%	60.4%
	Quintile 3	75.0%	76.5%	78.4%	69.8%	69.9%	62.6%
	Quintile 4	78.6%	75.8%	82.1%	71.7%	72.5%	67.1%
	Quintile 5	80.8%	79.9%	83.2%	76.6%	75.6%	67.2%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	3.7	-1.6	-1.6	-2.8	-0.9	-2.3
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-2.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	-0.7	-0.9
	Quintile 3	-1.5	-0.2	-1.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.4
	Quintile 4	0.5	-0.1	0.1	1.1	-0.1	0.5
	Quintile 5	0.6	0.5	1.0	0.0	0.6	0.8
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.149	0.145	0.171	0.143	0.141	0.151
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.197	0.180	0.223	0.182	0.188	0.198
	Quintile 3	0.267	0.253	0.279	0.260	0.248	0.256
	Quintile 4	0.322	0.325	0.331	0.307	0.299	0.307
	Quintile 5	0.393	0.395	0.416	0.394	0.384	0.380

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

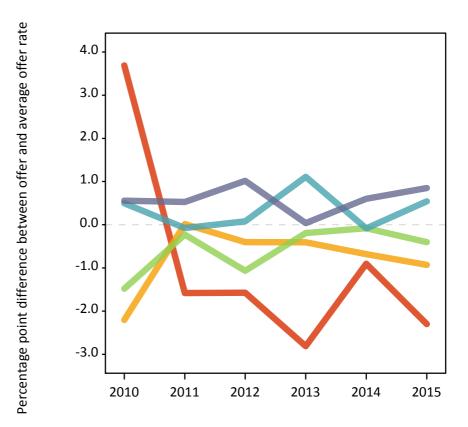
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P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.





P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,070	1,115	850	1,205	1,780	1,335
	Black	615	680	435	680	880	745
	Mixed	320	370	260	435	610	570
	White	5,810	6,265	4,665	7,175	9,695	8,615
	Other	105	125	100	165	250	160
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	110	125	85	150	230	195
	Black	55	60	55	70	85	75
	Mixed	35	35	30	55	65	55
	White	850	865	685	980	1,085	990
	Other	15	15	15	30	35	25
All placed applicants	Asian	130	135	110	180	250	220
	Black	65	65	65	80	100	90
	Mixed	35	40	35	60	70	60
	White	925	915	725	1,050	1,155	1,075
	Other	15	15	20	35	40	30
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	173.1	177.1	131.4	183.0	262.2	188.4
population	Black	234.2	249.1	153.8	229.4	290.7	233.5
	Mixed	137.7	152.8	100.6	160.5	211.3	184.6
	White	86.6	96.8	72.3	114.1	157.2	138.2
	Other	133.8	153.1	114.1	182.0	269.7	165.1
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	18.0	20.2	13.3	22.4	34.1	27.7
10,000 population	Black	20.2	22.7	19.9	24.3	27.7	23.3
	Mixed	15.1	15.3	11.9	20.7	22.9	18.2
	White	12.7	13.4	10.6	15.6	17.6	15.9
	Other	16.9	17.3	18.1	33.1	37.6	27.0
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	21.2	21.3	16.7	27.3	37.0	31.4
population	Black	24.4	23.8	23.4	27.6	33.0	28.3
	Mixed	16.0	16.5	13.4	21.8	24.7	20.1
	White	13.8	14.1	11.3	16.7	18.7	17.3
	Other	18.2	18.5	20.3	40.8	44.0	29.1

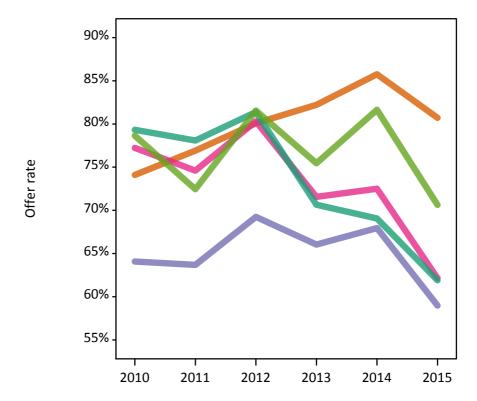
P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	1,090	1,130	860	1,220	1,795	1,345
	Black	620	685	440	685	885	745
	Mixed	325	375	265	435	620	590
	White	5,990	6,420	4,765	7,340	9,960	8,850
	Other	105	125	105	165	255	160
Offers	Asian	805	870	690	1,005	1,540	1,085
	Black	395	435	305	455	600	440
	Mixed	250	280	210	310	450	365
	White	4,750	5,010	3,875	5,185	6,875	5,480
	Other	80	90	85	125	210	115
Offer rate	Asian	74.1%	76.9%	80.1%	82.2%	85.8%	80.7%
	Black	64.1%	63.7%	69.2%	66.0%	67.9%	59.0%
	Mixed	77.2%	74.6%	80.3%	71.6%	72.5%	62.1%
	White	79.3%	78.1%	81.4%	70.7%	69.1%	61.9%
	Other	78.6%	72.4%	81.6%	75.4%	81.6%	70.6%
Average offer rate	Asian	75.6%	77.9%	80.8%	81.4%	84.8%	78.9%
	Black	67.1%	66.6%	71.7%	68.7%	71.6%	60.9%
	Mixed	79.1%	77.6%	80.7%	70.2%	73.7%	63.1%
	White	78.8%	77.4%	81.0%	70.6%	68.9%	62.0%
	Other	72.1%	73.3%	78.9%	74.9%	79.4%	69.3%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	-1.5	-1.0	-0.7	0.8	1.0	1.9
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-3.0	-2.9	-2.4	-2.6	-3.7	-1.9
	Mixed	-1.9	-3.0	-0.4	1.3	-1.1	-1.0
	White	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.1	-0.1
	Other	6.6	-0.9	2.6	0.6	2.2	1.3
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.259	0.225	0.257	0.238	0.240	0.239
offer rate	Black	0.200	0.186	0.218	0.191	0.181	0.181
	Mixed	0.122	0.117	0.152	0.106	0.104	0.120
	White	0.779	0.767	0.780	0.781	0.774	0.791
	Other	0.106	0.094	0.115	0.111	0.088	0.101

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

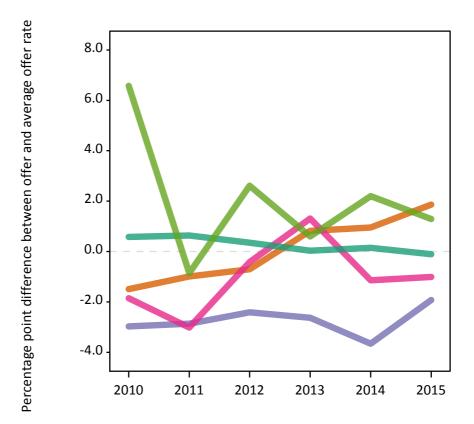
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P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2010-2015.





P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	13,560	15,065	11,470	16,840	22,415	20,505
Placed June deadline applicants	1,915	1,895	1,465	2,025	2,395	2,360
All placed applicants	2,145	2,045	1,660	2,275	2,615	2,615

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	14,125	15,600	11,800	17,255	23,055	21,185
Offers	8,895	9,280	7,140	9,690	13,220	11,120
Offer rate	63.0%	59.5%	60.5%	56.1%	57.4%	52.5%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Men	6,045	6,540	5,045	7,180	10,120	8,385
	Women	7,515	8,525	6,425	9,660	12,290	12,115
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	755	775	645	875	1,165	1,015
	Women	1,160	1,120	820	1,150	1,230	1,345
All placed applicants	Men	850	820	735	995	1,260	1,140
	Women	1,295	1,225	925	1,285	1,355	1,475

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Men	6,295	6,735	5,185	7,360	10,365	8,650
	Women	7,830	8,860	6,615	9,900	12,690	12,535
Offers	Men	4,150	4,340	3,580	4,895	7,105	5,325
	Women	4,745	4,940	3,560	4,795	6,115	5,800
Offer rate	Men	65.9%	64.4%	69.0%	66.5%	68.6%	61.6%
	Women	60.6%	55.8%	53.8%	48.4%	48.2%	46.3%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,180	1,315	1,050	1,545	2,020	1,995
	Quintile 2	1,740	1,955	1,515	2,235	3,165	2,890
	Quintile 3	2,860	3,140	2,380	3,535	4,495	4,255
	Quintile 4	3,445	3,865	2,920	4,270	5,685	5,150
	Quintile 5	4,295	4,750	3,575	5,215	7,005	6,150
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	170	165	120	140	195	200
	Quintile 2	245	250	185	275	325	330
	Quintile 3	390	430	290	410	475	460
	Quintile 4	495	460	385	525	675	630
	Quintile 5	605	585	485	665	720	730
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	190	175	145	160	205	220
	Quintile 2	265	270	200	305	355	360
	Quintile 3	445	450	320	475	515	515
	Quintile 4	545	510	435	590	730	695
	Quintile 5	685	635	555	745	800	820

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	1,230	1,360	1,085	1,580	2,095	2,070
	Quintile 2	1,820	2,025	1,560	2,295	3,250	2,960
	Quintile 3	2,960	3,245	2,445	3,615	4,600	4,390
	Quintile 4	3,580	3,980	3,005	4,370	5,845	5,325
	Quintile 5	4,490	4,945	3,680	5,360	7,215	6,360
Offers	Quintile 1	675	655	485	675	955	830
	Quintile 2	1,065	1,115	850	1,210	1,690	1,420
	Quintile 3	1,730	1,870	1,380	1,920	2,565	2,235
	Quintile 4	2,340	2,405	1,910	2,525	3,420	2,910
	Quintile 5	3,065	3,215	2,505	3,345	4,570	3,685
Offer rate	Quintile 1	54.8%	47.9%	44.8%	42.5%	45.7%	40.1%
	Quintile 2	58.4%	55.0%	54.4%	52.7%	52.0%	48.0%
	Quintile 3	58.4%	57.7%	56.5%	53.0%	55.7%	50.9%
	Quintile 4	65.3%	60.4%	63.5%	57.8%	58.5%	54.7%
	Quintile 5	68.3%	65.0%	68.0%	62.4%	63.3%	58.0%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applicants	Asian	1,975	2,180	1,630	2,125	3,030	2,555
	Black	1,640	1,900	1,505	1,905	2,160	2,065
	Mixed	545	640	460	725	1,035	995
	White	9,060	9,960	7,555	11,620	15,590	14,365
	Other	235	260	230	335	445	385
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	220	235	155	250	390	345
	Black	135	145	125	145	150	170
	Mixed	65	65	45	80	105	90
	White	1,450	1,410	1,100	1,495	1,685	1,685
	Other	20	25	30	45	50	55
All placed applicants	Asian	260	255	200	305	435	400
	Black	180	160	155	175	180	205
	Mixed	75	70	60	90	115	105
	White	1,580	1,505	1,195	1,635	1,805	1,830
	Other	25	35	35	55	60	60

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June deadline applications	Asian	2,030	2,230	1,665	2,160	3,095	2,590
	Black	1,690	1,945	1,530	1,925	2,190	2,110
	Mixed	555	660	470	735	1,065	1,040
	White	9,495	10,365	7,820	11,960	16,100	14,905
	Other	240	270	235	340	455	395
Offers	Asian	1,245	1,355	1,030	1,490	2,255	1,760
	Black	670	715	540	750	940	835
	Mixed	365	395	285	415	640	560
	White	6,420	6,590	5,090	6,735	8,990	7,655
	Other	130	150	145	215	300	225
Offer rate	Asian	61.2%	60.8%	62.0%	69.0%	73.0%	68.0%
	Black	39.5%	36.7%	35.4%	38.9%	43.0%	39.5%
	Mixed	65.4%	59.4%	60.6%	56.3%	60.3%	53.8%
	White	67.6%	63.6%	65.1%	56.3%	55.8%	51.4%
	Other	55.5%	54.8%	62.4%	63.2%	65.6%	57.6%

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 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.

LIK 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.