# Sex, area background and ethnic group



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**Applicant statistics:** June deadline applicants, placed June deadline applicants, all placed applicants, June deadline applicants per 10,000 population, placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population, all placed applicants per 10,000 population

**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.
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## P.1 18 year old applicants

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	267,400	257,410	259,395	265,965	275,860	277,475
Placed June deadline applicants	189,715	184,110	191,965	195,205	203,945	205,960
All placed applicants	217,640	212,060	219,305	224,525	235,320	238,895
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	3,472.2	3,327.8	3,408.7	3,531.3	3,600.6	3,701.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	2,463.5	2,380.2	2,522.6	2,591.8	2,662.0	2,747.8
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	2,826.1	2,741.6	2,881.9	2,981.1	3,071.5	3,187.2

## P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	1,256,765	1,205,485	1,211,720	1,246,925	1,294,480	1,304,265
Offers	852,305	855,420	903,480	946,440	991,605	1,005,310
Offer rate	67.8%	71.0%	74.6%	75.9%	76.6%	77.1%

## P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	119,030	113,140	114,500	117,505	119,905	120,620
	Women	148,365	144,270	144,890	148,460	155,955	156,860
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	85,360	81,440	85,610	86,750	89,185	90,095
	Women	104,355	102,670	106,355	108,455	114,760	115,865
All placed applicants	Men	97,765	94,000	97,595	99,825	102,880	104,460
	Women	119,875	118,060	121,715	124,705	132,440	134,440
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Men	3,024.8	2,852.9	2,932.9	3,035.4	3,055.4	3,139.9
population	Women	3,939.7	3,827.6	3,910.0	4,055.7	4,173.2	4,292.8
Placed June deadline applicants per	Men	2,169.1	2,053.6	2,192.9	2,240.9	2,272.6	2,345.3
10,000 population	Women	2,771.1	2,723.9	2,870.0	2,962.8	3,070.8	3,170.9
All placed applicants per 10,000	Men	2,484.4	2,370.3	2,499.8	2,578.6	2,621.6	2,719.2
population	Women	3,183.1	3,132.2	3,284.5	3,406.8	3,544.0	3,679.2

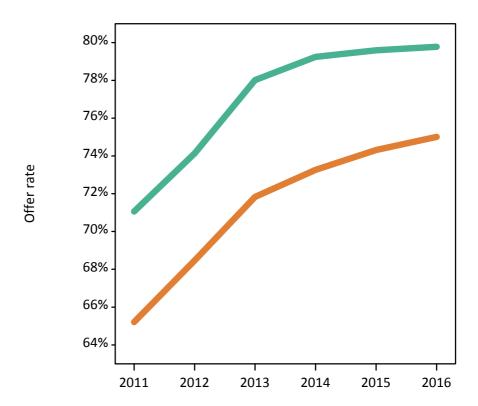
## P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	559,775	529,390	534,620	550,245	561,715	566,260
	Women	696,995	676,095	677,095	696,680	732,765	738,005
Offers	Men	397,775	392,490	417,095	436,040	447,065	451,750
	Women	454,530	462,930	486,380	510,400	544,540	553,555
Offer rate	Men	71.1%	74.1%	78.0%	79.2%	79.6%	79.8%
	Women	65.2%	68.5%	71.8%	73.3%	74.3%	75.0%
Average offer rate	Men	71.5%	74.6%	78.4%	79.6%	80.0%	80.2%
	Women	64.9%	68.1%	71.5%	73.0%	74.0%	74.7%
Percentage point difference between	Men	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4
offer rate and average offer rate	Women	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Contribution of group to the average	Men	0.606	0.605	0.611	0.613	0.607	0.605
offer rate	Women	0.684	0.691	0.693	0.694	0.699	0.697

## P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

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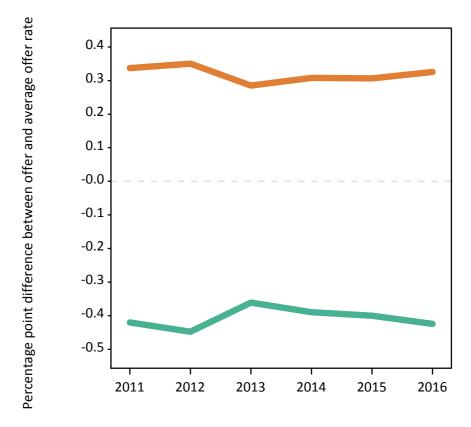




## P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

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## P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	27,210	26,160	26,785	28,850	29,935	30,010
	Quintile 2	39,870	38,225	39,020	40,725	42,580	42,705
	Quintile 3	50,550	49,135	49,820	51,215	53,250	53,405
	Quintile 4	63,495	60,715	61,220	61,690	64,295	64,205
	Quintile 5	85,740	82,675	82,100	82,980	85,130	85,990
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	18,340	18,255	19,315	20,940	21,705	22,030
	Quintile 2	27,515	26,825	28,635	29,720	31,080	31,515
	Quintile 3	35,150	34,370	36,350	37,025	38,760	39,110
	Quintile 4	45,300	43,560	45,310	45,285	47,735	47,835
	Quintile 5	63,050	60,785	62,065	61,900	64,195	64,625
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	21,040	21,070	22,145	24,060	25,100	25,430
	Quintile 2	31,645	31,110	32,775	34,235	35,920	36,545
	Quintile 3	40,900	40,160	42,000	43,095	45,410	45,905
	Quintile 4	51,940	50,105	51,845	52,040	54,870	55,380
	Quintile 5	71,685	69,235	70,165	70,695	73,440	74,625
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	1,893.0	1,836.2	1,921.8	2,073.5	2,136.5	2,222.7
population	Quintile 2	2,651.9	2,549.4	2,648.2	2,783.4	2,866.9	2,953.2
	Quintile 3	3,285.1	3,181.9	3,266.6	3,403.2	3,467.9	3,552.3
	Quintile 4	4,053.7	3,826.1	3,914.4	4,002.9	4,107.4	4,158.7
	Quintile 5	5,179.9	4,921.0	4,965.2	5,088.0	5,085.1	5,204.6
Placed June deadline applicants per	Quintile 1	1,275.9	1,281.3	1,385.8	1,504.9	1,549.2	1,631.7
10,000 population	Quintile 2	1,830.4	1,789.3	1,943.2	2,031.2	2,092.6	2,179.5
	Quintile 3	2,284.2	2,225.8	2,383.6	2,460.1	2,524.3	2,601.6
	Quintile 4	2,892.0	2,745.2	2,897.1	2,938.5	3,049.3	3,098.3
	Quintile 5	3,809.1	3,618.2	3,753.4	3,795.4	3,834.6	3,911.6
All placed applicants per 10,000	Quintile 1	1,463.8	1,478.9	1,589.0	1,729.2	1,791.4	1,883.5
population	Quintile 2	2,104.9	2,074.8	2,224.3	2,339.7	2,418.5	2,527.2
	Quintile 3	2,658.1	2,600.5	2,753.8	2,863.5	2,957.3	3,053.6
	Quintile 4	3,316.1	3,157.5	3,314.9	3,376.8	3,505.1	3,587.1
	Quintile 5	4,330.9	4,121.0	4,243.4	4,334.7	4,387.0	4,516.8

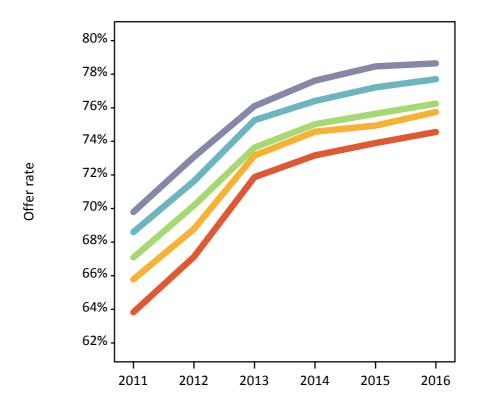
## P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic POI	LAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	123,515	118,430	120,115	130,955	136,235	137,125
	Quintile 2	184,075	176,260	179,485	187,980	196,730	197,795
	Quintile 3	236,690	229,235	232,035	239,700	249,400	250,460
	Quintile 4	300,135	285,395	287,530	290,190	302,785	302,665
	Quintile 5	409,850	393,815	390,435	395,780	406,215	410,750
Offers	Quintile 1	78,840	79,490	86,330	95,815	100,680	102,235
	Quintile 2	121,080	121,240	131,300	140,190	147,435	149,835
	Quintile 3	158,780	160,885	170,855	179,830	188,645	190,955
	Quintile 4	205,905	204,445	216,400	221,725	233,810	235,190
	Quintile 5	286,050	287,790	297,140	307,210	318,750	323,045
Offer rate	Quintile 1	63.8%	67.1%	71.9%	73.2%	73.9%	74.6%
	Quintile 2	65.8%	68.8%	73.2%	74.6%	74.9%	75.8%
	Quintile 3	67.1%	70.2%	73.6%	75.0%	75.6%	76.2%
	Quintile 4	68.6%	71.6%	75.3%	76.4%	77.2%	77.7%
	Quintile 5	69.8%	73.1%	76.1%	77.6%	78.5%	78.6%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	65.3%	68.3%	73.0%	74.2%	75.0%	75.5%
	Quintile 2	66.5%	69.4%	73.6%	74.9%	75.4%	76.2%
	Quintile 3	67.6%	70.6%	74.0%	75.3%	76.0%	76.6%
	Quintile 4	68.5%	71.6%	75.1%	76.3%	77.2%	77.6%
	Quintile 5	68.9%	72.2%	75.5%	77.0%	77.7%	78.0%
Percentage point difference between	Quintile 1	-1.5	-1.2	-1.1	-1.0	-1.1	-0.9
offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 2	-0.7	-0.6	-0.4	-0.3	-0.5	-0.4
	Quintile 3	-0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3
	Quintile 4	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
	Quintile 5	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.6
Contribution of group to the average	Quintile 1	0.209	0.210	0.211	0.214	0.211	0.211
offer rate	Quintile 2	0.234	0.236	0.237	0.236	0.236	0.236
	Quintile 3	0.260	0.263	0.263	0.262	0.262	0.260
	Quintile 4	0.301	0.300	0.299	0.294	0.294	0.291
	Quintile 5	0.419	0.421	0.419	0.414	0.410	0.410

## P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR3 quintile

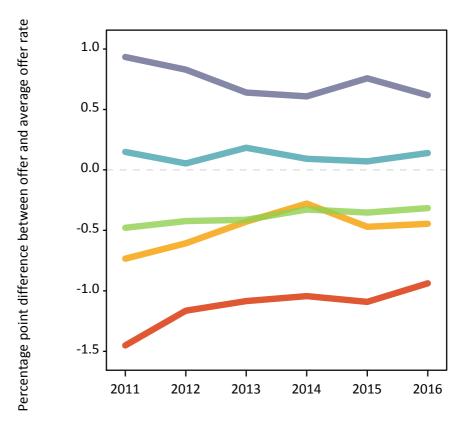
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**P.10** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR3 quintile Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.





## P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

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Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	25,220	25,090	26,100	27,720	29,690	31,290
	Black	10,225	10,290	11,600	12,295	13,425	13,710
	Mixed	8,885	8,680	9,150	9,830	10,950	11,490
	White	219,360	209,440	208,625	211,785	216,690	215,565
	Other	2,320	2,680	2,800	3,240	3,530	3,725
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	15,635	15,520	17,255	18,085	19,740	20,845
	Black	5,960	6,190	7,390	7,720	8,625	8,945
	Mixed	6,115	6,045	6,555	7,125	8,010	8,370
	White	159,595	153,865	158,190	159,495	164,105	164,205
	Other	1,450	1,660	1,805	2,050	2,330	2,415
All placed applicants	Asian	20,730	20,790	22,330	23,760	25,880	27,570
	Black	8,530	8,760	10,095	10,695	11,860	12,265
	Mixed	7,295	7,140	7,680	8,375	9,475	9,905
	White	177,910	171,965	175,695	177,875	183,535	184,280
	Other	1,935	2,235	2,360	2,740	3,090	3,245
June deadline applicants per 10,000	Asian	4,001.4	3,874.0	3,957.2	4,087.5	4,194.9	4,347.9
population	Black	3,740.0	3,654.4	3,906.7	4,056.8	4,218.1	4,381.7
	Mixed	3,668.4	3,333.2	3,384.9	3,417.5	3,550.9	3,652.0
	White	3,388.2	3,243.7	3,315.6	3,432.8	3,477.8	3,563.6
	Other	2,861.8	3,027.6	3,090.1	3,482.1	3,660.2	3,749.9
Placed June deadline applicants per	Asian	2,481.0	2,396.5	2,616.1	2,667.0	2,789.4	2,896.5
10,000 population	Black	2,179.2	2,198.8	2,488.7	2,547.1	2,709.6	2,858.3
	Mixed	2,523.9	2,320.1	2,423.6	2,477.0	2,597.1	2,660.2
	White	2,465.1	2,382.9	2,514.0	2,585.2	2,633.9	2,714.5
	Other	1,791.4	1,876.0	1,989.5	2,204.7	2,418.4	2,431.5
All placed applicants per 10,000	Asian	3,289.2	3,210.3	3,385.7	3,503.5	3,656.3	3,830.8
population	Black	3,120.0	3,111.1	3,400.5	3,527.6	3,726.2	3,919.9
	Mixed	3,011.5	2,741.2	2,839.7	2,911.5	3,073.1	3,149.1
	White	2,747.9	2,663.2	2,792.2	2,883.1	2,945.7	3,046.4
	Other	2,390.2	2,525.8	2,600.4	2,942.8	3,203.7	3,269.5

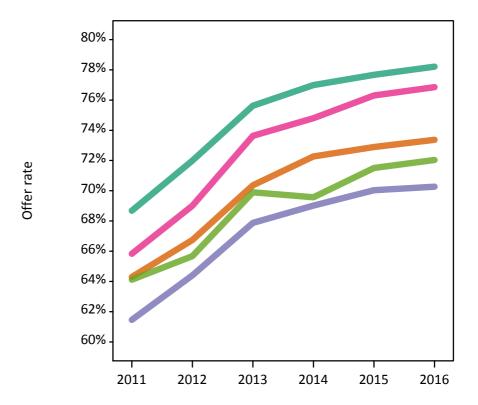
## P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	122,595	121,670	126,320	134,470	144,005	152,150
	Black	50,060	50,400	56,690	60,130	65,775	67,110
	Mixed	42,535	41,305	43,490	46,760	52,165	54,890
	White	1,023,695	973,360	966,355	984,685	1,007,970	1,003,855
	Other	11,255	12,970	13,545	15,750	17,090	18,110
Offers	Asian	78,825	81,205	88,885	97,180	104,975	111,625
	Black	30,765	32,455	38,475	41,505	46,065	47,160
	Mixed	28,000	28,500	32,025	34,975	39,800	42,180
	White	703,045	700,750	730,810	758,110	782,875	785,160
	Other	7,215	8,520	9,470	10,960	12,220	13,045
Offer rate	Asian	64.3%	66.7%	70.4%	72.3%	72.9%	73.4%
	Black	61.5%	64.4%	67.9%	69.0%	70.0%	70.3%
	Mixed	65.8%	69.0%	73.6%	74.8%	76.3%	76.8%
	White	68.7%	72.0%	75.6%	77.0%	77.7%	78.2%
	Other	64.1%	65.7%	69.9%	69.6%	71.5%	72.0%
Average offer rate	Asian	65.8%	68.2%	71.6%	73.3%	74.1%	74.4%
	Black	64.4%	67.8%	70.8%	71.9%	72.6%	73.1%
	Mixed	66.5%	69.5%	73.9%	75.3%	76.5%	77.0%
	White	68.3%	71.6%	75.3%	76.6%	77.3%	77.8%
	Other	66.1%	68.3%	71.5%	72.0%	73.4%	73.9%
Percentage point difference between	Asian	-1.5	-1.4	-1.2	-1.1	-1.2	-1.0
offer rate and average offer rate	Black	-2.9	-3.4	-2.9	-2.9	-2.6	-2.8
	Mixed	-0.6	-0.5	-0.3	-0.5	-0.2	-0.1
	White	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
	Other	-2.0	-2.6	-1.6	-2.4	-1.9	-1.9
Contribution of group to the average	Asian	0.316	0.314	0.310	0.303	0.303	0.308
offer rate	Black	0.188	0.188	0.194	0.188	0.183	0.183
	Mixed	0.118	0.119	0.118	0.117	0.119	0.119
	White	0.866	0.860	0.853	0.845	0.836	0.830
	Other	0.106	0.121	0.115	0.117	0.112	0.112

## P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

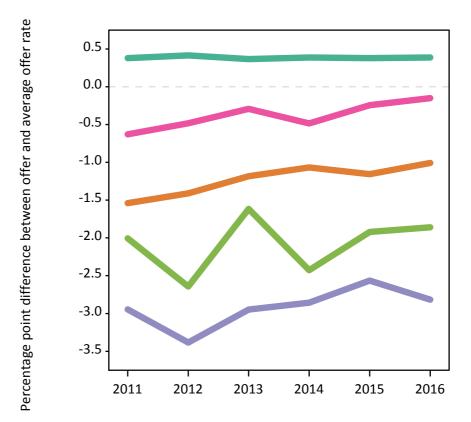
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**P.14** Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2011-2016.





## P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	563,685	513,565	527,320	544,220	553,230	553,345
Placed June deadline applicants	365,020	335,185	359,300	368,950	379,520	381,830
All placed applicants	429,875	406,030	433,400	447,205	463,405	465,140

## P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	2,399,705	2,191,665	2,241,075	2,322,760	2,365,095	2,365,525
Offers	1,364,880	1,314,280	1,424,555	1,500,875	1,557,525	1,567,180
Offer rate	56.9%	60.0%	63.6%	64.6%	65.9%	66.3%

## P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Men	241,865	217,590	224,505	230,300	232,630	231,420
	Women	321,820	295,980	302,815	313,925	320,600	321,920
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	162,730	147,545	159,050	161,515	164,240	164,250
	Women	202,290	187,635	200,250	207,435	215,280	217,575
All placed applicants	Men	192,385	180,350	192,955	197,320	201,835	201,605
	Women	237,490	225,680	240,445	249,885	261,570	263,530

## P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Men	1,053,810	947,795	971,840	1,002,410	1,012,715	1,008,005
	Women	1,345,895	1,243,870	1,269,235	1,320,345	1,352,380	1,357,520
Offers	Men	645,345	613,955	668,800	699,350	714,555	712,510
	Women	719,530	700,325	755,755	801,525	842,970	854,670
Offer rate	Men	61.2%	64.8%	68.8%	69.8%	70.6%	70.7%
	Women	53.5%	56.3%	59.5%	60.7%	62.3%	63.0%

## P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	70,355	65,065	67,265	71,495	71,615	71,595
	Quintile 2	92,055	84,130	86,840	91,165	92,355	91,710
	Quintile 3	113,730	103,705	106,605	110,305	111,745	111,415
	Quintile 4	128,065	115,935	119,250	121,625	124,105	123,360
	Quintile 5	157,890	143,310	146,130	148,400	151,770	152,240
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	42,725	40,625	44,235	47,280	47,715	48,315
	Quintile 2	57,905	53,410	58,190	60,860	62,235	62,365
	Quintile 3	71,190	65,490	70,725	72,875	74,840	75,230
	Quintile 4	83,950	76,500	81,970	83,015	85,750	85,775
	Quintile 5	108,305	98,370	103,450	104,205	107,955	108,205
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	50,235	49,415	53,455	57,270	58,430	58,805
	Quintile 2	68,125	65,270	70,425	73,965	76,210	76,235
	Quintile 3	85,550	81,240	87,380	90,675	94,030	93,915
	Quintile 4	98,890	92,400	98,705	100,435	104,395	104,210
	Quintile 5	125,895	116,490	122,295	123,835	128,795	129,390

## P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR3 quintile

Statistic	POLAR3 quintile	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	280,615	260,410	265,995	286,095	288,695	288,690
	Quintile 2	378,695	348,135	357,625	377,480	383,760	381,750
	Quintile 3	481,995	441,675	452,350	469,865	476,915	474,730
	Quintile 4	551,795	500,115	513,865	524,695	536,075	533,175
	Quintile 5	699,815	635,240	645,980	659,420	672,695	674,775
Offers	Quintile 1	144,595	141,785	156,900	172,765	178,055	179,590
	Quintile 2	205,820	198,290	219,200	235,225	243,855	244,515
	Quintile 3	264,195	256,430	278,625	294,810	305,280	306,145
	Quintile 4	320,950	306,180	333,070	344,410	358,930	358,950
	Quintile 5	425,945	408,455	433,870	450,645	467,340	470,750
Offer rate	Quintile 1	51.5%	54.4%	59.0%	60.4%	61.7%	62.2%
	Quintile 2	54.3%	57.0%	61.3%	62.3%	63.5%	64.1%
	Quintile 3	54.8%	58.1%	61.6%	62.7%	64.0%	64.5%
	Quintile 4	58.2%	61.2%	64.8%	65.6%	67.0%	67.3%
	Quintile 5	60.9%	64.3%	67.2%	68.3%	69.5%	69.8%

## P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applicants	Asian	56,110	52,945	54,725	57,710	60,465	62,115
	Black	44,460	42,215	42,130	44,260	45,470	46,415
	Mixed	20,095	18,430	19,465	21,105	22,500	23,280
	White	432,450	389,135	400,035	409,420	411,565	407,600
	Other	6,285	7,310	7,405	8,195	8,695	9,080
Placed June deadline applicants	Asian	31,820	30,250	33,405	34,780	37,160	38,505
	Black	20,345	19,950	21,455	22,380	23,625	24,920
	Mixed	12,790	11,855	13,075	14,075	15,410	15,935
	White	294,115	267,005	284,965	290,980	295,345	294,015
	Other	3,410	4,040	4,225	4,695	5,170	5,440
All placed applicants	Asian	43,170	42,515	45,640	48,380	51,755	53,730
	Black	29,675	30,790	32,480	35,990	37,435	37,820
	Mixed	15,475	14,800	16,235	17,695	19,320	19,855
	White	331,955	307,325	327,460	333,005	341,005	339,490
	Other	4,700	5,895	6,190	6,980	7,715	8,005

## P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
June deadline applications	Asian	257,000	243,070	251,130	265,400	277,515	284,930
	Black	197,020	188,110	188,180	197,240	202,715	205,710
	Mixed	88,620	80,970	85,515	92,575	99,225	102,730
	White	1,810,950	1,631,750	1,667,845	1,715,905	1,727,335	1,710,555
	Other	27,970	32,805	33,280	36,990	39,230	41,175
Offers	Asian	141,190	140,680	154,725	167,055	177,980	184,610
	Black	73,410	75,255	83,535	89,840	96,480	98,740
	Mixed	48,455	47,270	53,395	58,780	65,095	68,110
	White	1,078,325	1,025,510	1,105,285	1,155,595	1,183,270	1,178,840
	Other	14,225	17,610	19,250	21,605	23,485	24,830
Offer rate	Asian	54.9%	57.9%	61.6%	62.9%	64.1%	64.8%
	Black	37.3%	40.0%	44.4%	45.5%	47.6%	48.0%
	Mixed	54.7%	58.4%	62.4%	63.5%	65.6%	66.3%
	White	59.5%	62.8%	66.3%	67.3%	68.5%	68.9%
	Other	50.9%	53.7%	57.9%	58.4%	59.9%	60.3%

## **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 2016 cycle runs from September 2015 through to October 2016.

### 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 2016 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.