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Undergraduate admissions update

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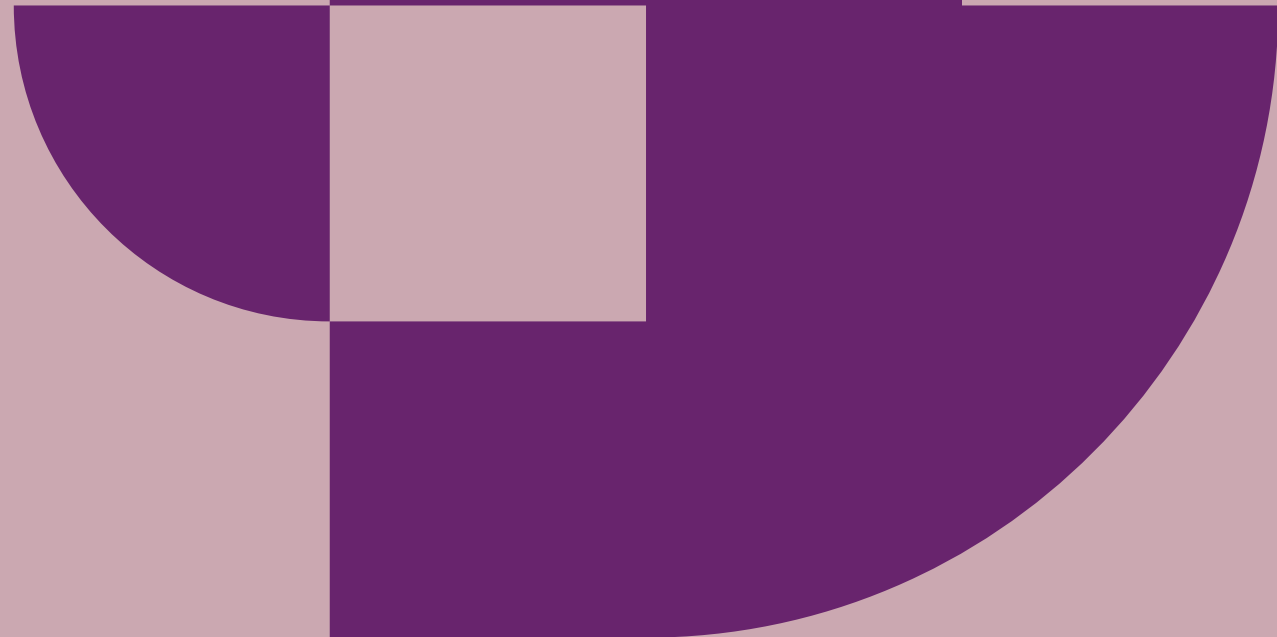
Structure

- 2023/24 cycle
- 2024/25 cycle to date
- Questions throughout





2023/24 cycle



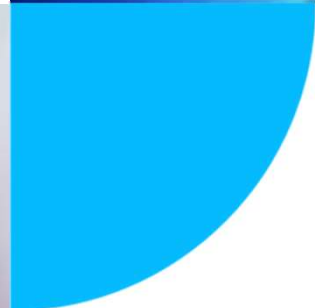
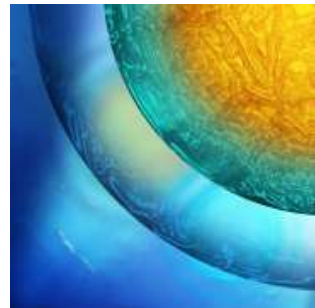
2023/24 cycle: context

- Some greater stability?
- Global volatility, competition and changing behaviours
- Achieving targets important
- Declining Home applications at UCAS (sector level)



2023/24 cycle: aims

- Achieve targets
- Working within hard caps on total capacity of the University and the City
- UG Home target increased
- Make faster decisions
- Widen access
- Mitigate any risks

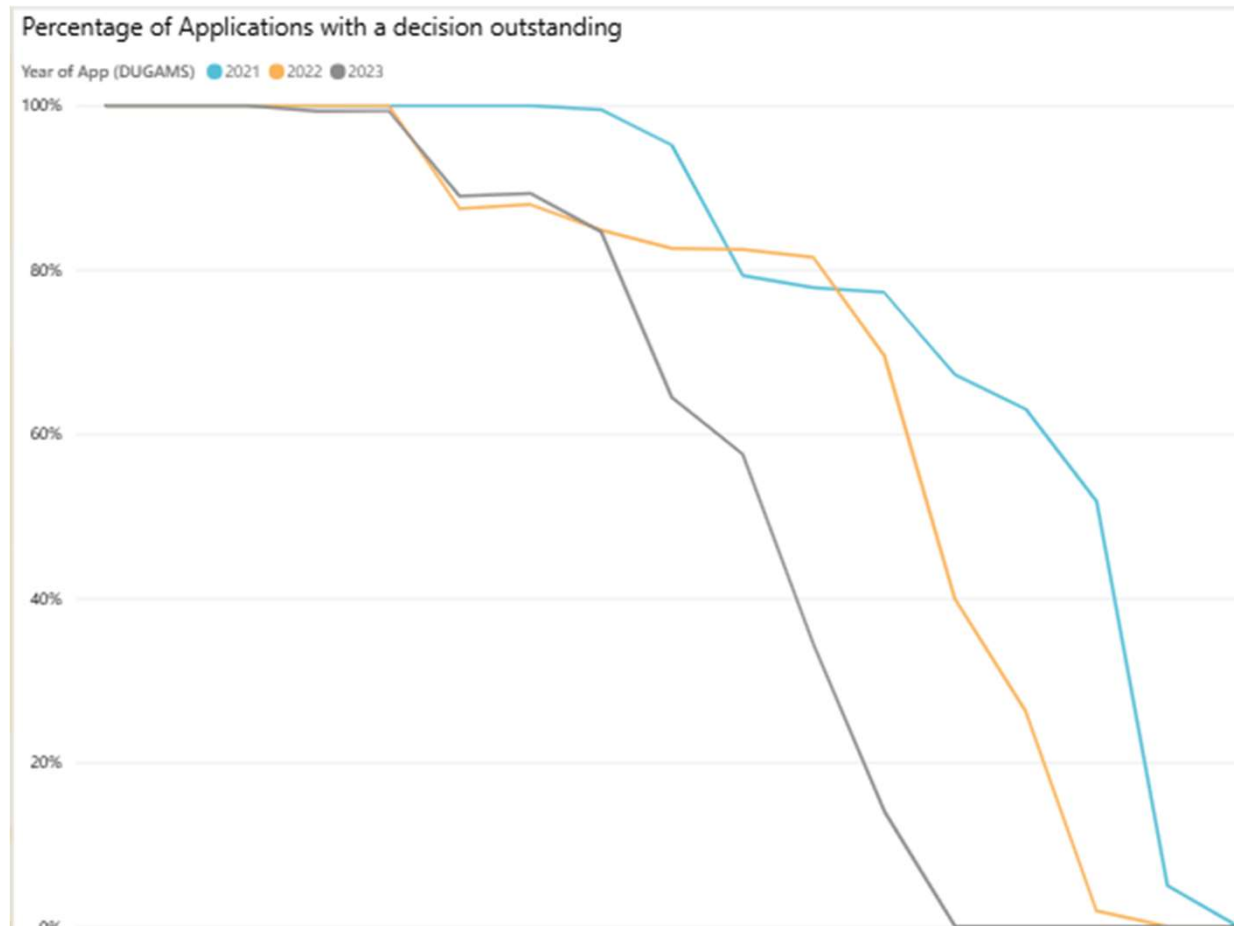


2023/24 cycle trends: applications

- Total home applications modestly increased on previous year
- Most notable percentage increases in Finance, Physics, Computer Science, Natural Sciences, Engineering, Liberal Arts and Classics

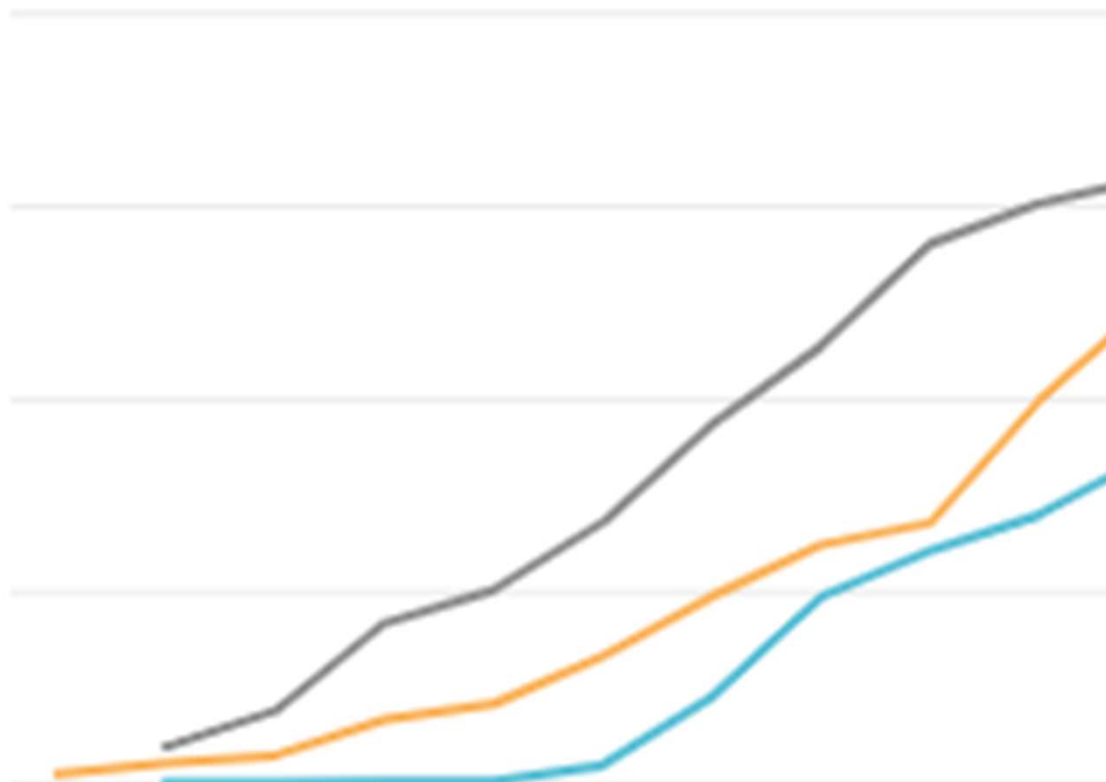


2023/24 cycle trends: decisions



2023/24 cycle trends: offers

App (DUGAMS) ● 2021 ● 2022 ● 2023



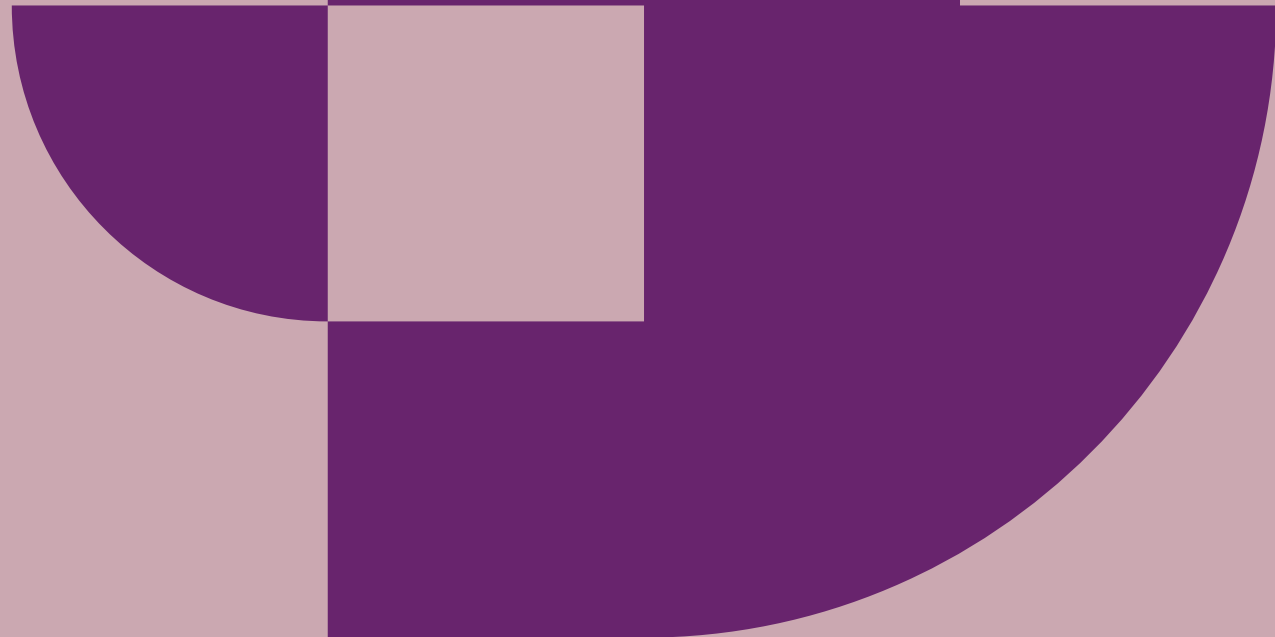
August Decision Making

- We accepted near misses
- We recruited through Clearing
- We honoured offers for successful grade appeals





2024/25 cycle

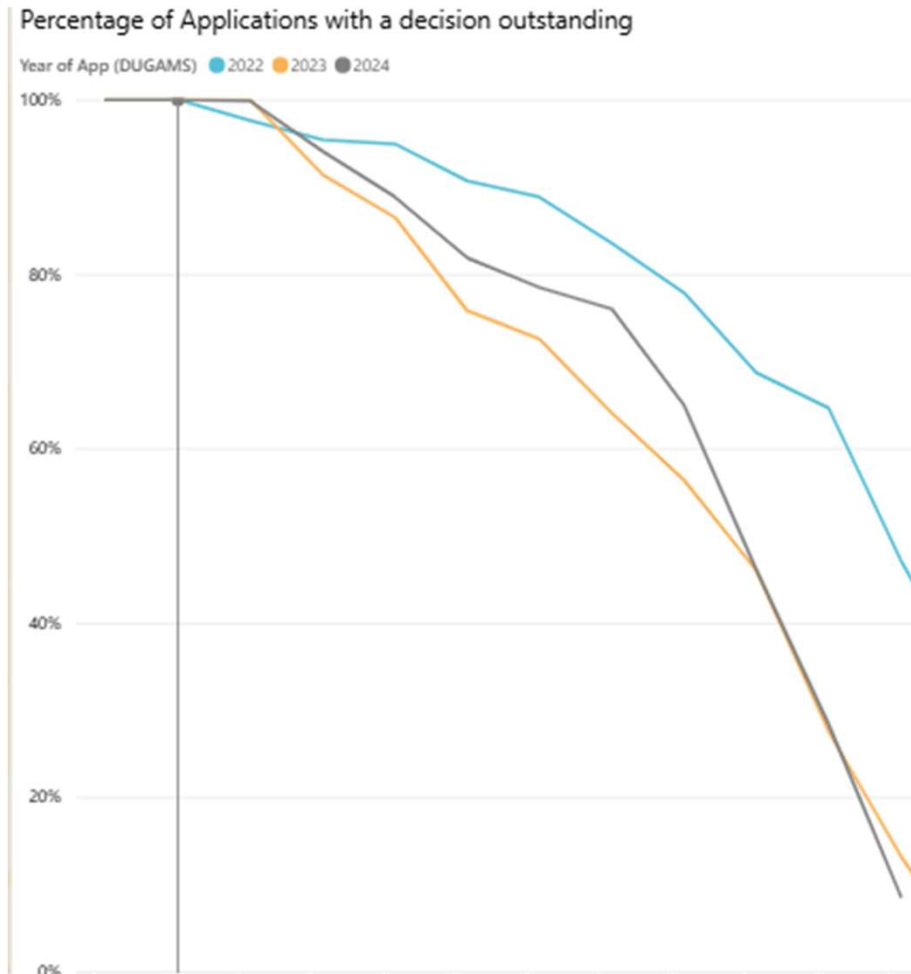


2024/25 cycle trends: applications

- Total home applications significantly increased on previous year
- Most notable percentage increases in Education, Natural Sciences, Accounting, Accounting and Finance, Marketing, Engineering, Politics, Finance, Philosophy, PPE and Economics

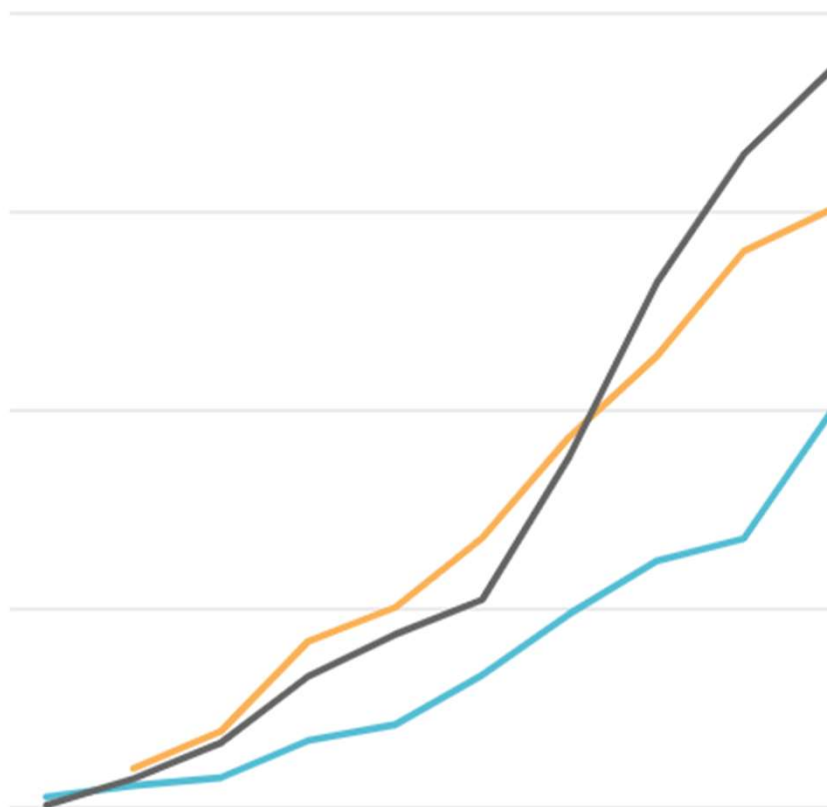


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