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# SAICA's June 2025 IAC results reflect ongoing advancement in growth as an inclusive and future-ready profession

**Johannesburg**, **Friday 29 August 2025** - With the release of the results for the June 2025 Initial Assessment of Competence (IAC), formerly known as the Initial Test of Competence (ITC), the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA) has announced an overall throughput pass rate for both the January and June 2025 IAC sittings of 76%. An improvement from the previous year's overall pass rate for the January and June 2024 ITC sittings of 61%, demonstrating the impact of SAICA's candidate support initiatives in collaboration with FASSET.

The June 2025 IAC sitting, which is also a second opportunity for candidates who were not successful in the January IAC sitting, had a 39% pass rate, an increase from the 14% pass rate in the June 2024 ITC.

As part of the broader structural improvements first rolled out in the January 2025 IAC, the June 2025 IAC aligns with SAICA's new CA of the Future Competency Framework. The CA of the Future Competency Framework reinforces SAICA's commitment to ensuring prospective members remain relevant and are future fit. The CA of the Future Competency Framework emphasises responsible leadership and sustainable value creation. It prioritises the development of skills, including the ability to think critically, interpret, analyse and evaluate financial and non-financial information to make impactful decisions.

### Key results and observations

In the June 2025 IAC, 489 candidates were successful, compared to 189 candidates in the June 2024 ITC.

In total, 2 740 candidates were successful in both the January 2025, and June 2025 IAC sittings, an improvement from the 1 915 successful candidates in the January and June 2024 ITC sittings.

SAICA also congratulates Adam Gamsy who was placed as the top candidate, having achieved over 70% in the June 2025 IAC.

The demographic breakdown of the results showed African candidates comprised the majority of those writing the June 2025 IAC, with 261 of the African candidates successful in this sitting. This is an increase from the 95 successful African candidates in the June 2024 ITC. This brings the total number of successful African candidates in 2025 to 1 326, a significant increase from the 836 successful African candidates in 2024, demonstrating the positive impact of SAICA's targeted support efforts.

The demographics of the June 2025 IAC results were as follows:

	Total Candidates	Candidates that Passed	% Pass rate June 2025	% Pass rate June 2024
African	758	261	34%	12%
Coloured	71	24	34%	22%
Indian	164	67	41%	10%
Other	35	14	40%	22%
White	226	123	54%	17%







## SAICA repeat programme empowers candidate success

SAICA CEO, Patricia Stock CA(SA) congratulated the successful candidates, saying "the June 2025 IAC results mark a meaningful milestone in our journey toward a more inclusive and future-ready profession. The notable increase in the number of successful African candidates and the overall improvement in pass rates from the June 2024 ITC reflects the impact of our evolving support programmes and the relevance of the CA of the Future Competency Framework.

SAICA extends thanks to their partner FASSET who funded a portion of the June 2025 IAC support programme for repeat candidates. The impact of this intervention is clear, candidates who participated in the support programme achieved a 17% higher pass rate compared to those who did not. This highlights that these interventions yield results especially where candidates take the time to prepare for the IAC with support. We also thank the SAICA Training Offices for granting candidates study leave to prepare for the IAC.

The updated competency framework is not just a shift in assessment—it is a strategic response to the changing demands of the profession, embedding digital fluency, integrated thinking, and sustainability into the core of our qualification process.

To all candidates who succeeded, congratulations on this achievement. For those who didn't make it this time, remember that resilience is part of the journey. SAICA remains committed to walking alongside you with the provision of tools, guidance, and support needed to help you succeed in future sittings".

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#### **About SAICA**

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