

Audit outcomes of local government

Financial year ended 30 June 2011

Western Cape

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MFMA audit outcomes 2010-11



	Municipalities*		Municipal entities	
Audit outcomes	2010-11	2009-10	2010-11	2009-10
Financially unqualified with no findings on predetermined objectives or compliance with laws and regulations	2	1	0	2
Financially unqualified with findings on predetermined objectives and/or compliance with laws and regulations	21	21	3	2
Financially unqualified financial statements	88%	76%	100%	100%
Qualified opinion	3	4	0	0
Adverse opinion	0	2	0	0
Disclaimer of opinion	0	1	0	0
Financially qualified financial statements**	12%	24%	0%	0%
Total number of audits reported on	26	29	3	4
Number of audit reports not issued by 15 February 2012	4	1	0	0
Total number of audits	30	30	3	4

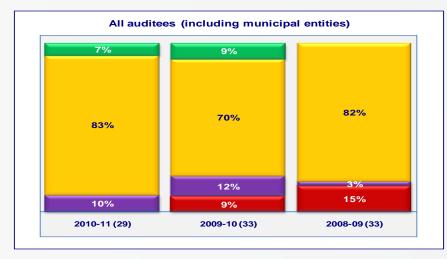
*Municipalities include consolidated municipalities where applicable.

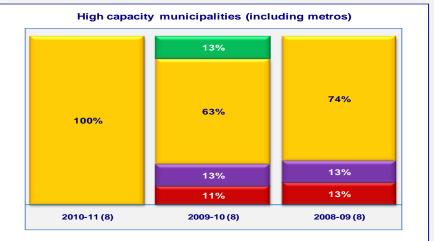
** Also include auditees with findings on predetermined objectives and/ or compliance with laws and regulations.

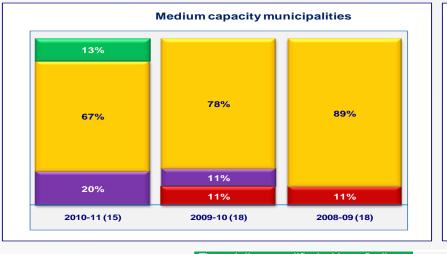


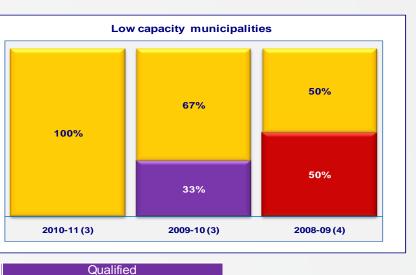
Three-year progress towards clean administration – per capacity











Financially unqualified with no findings Financially unqualified with findings





Movement in audit outcomes from 2009-10



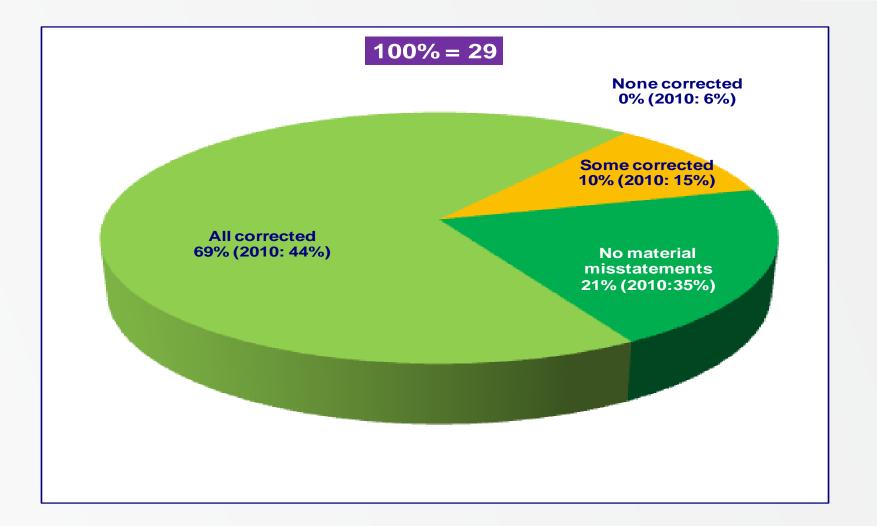
Movement in audit outcome over 2009-10 financial year							
Audit opinion	Improvement	Unchanged	Regressed	New municipalities/ municipal entities	Total reported on	Prior year opinion on audits outstanding 2010-11	
Financially unqualified with no findings	2				2	0	
Financially unqualified with findings*	3	19	2		24	1	
Qualified*	1				3	1	
Adverse/ Disclaimed*					0	1	
Total	6	20	3	0	29	3	

*Also include findings on predetermined objectives and/ or compliance with laws and regulations.

Both audit years (2010-11 and 2009-10) have not been completed for Swellendam municipality Overstrand Local Economic Development Agency was discontinued.



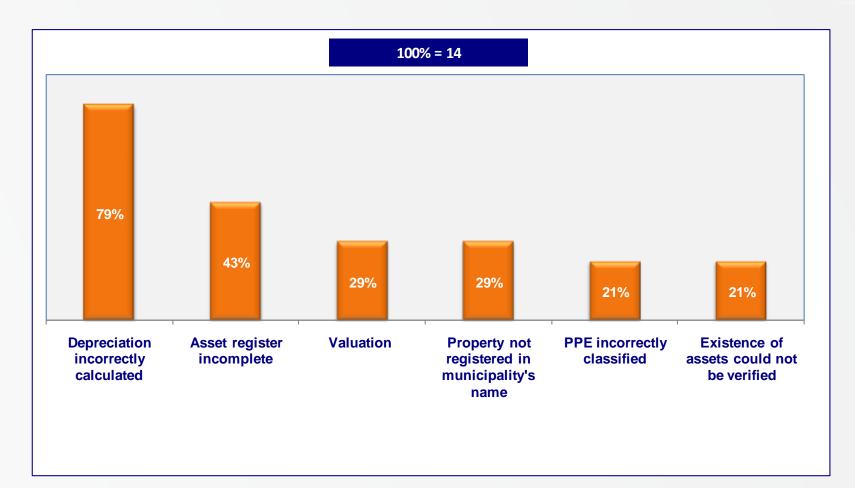
Correction of material misstatements identified by auditors





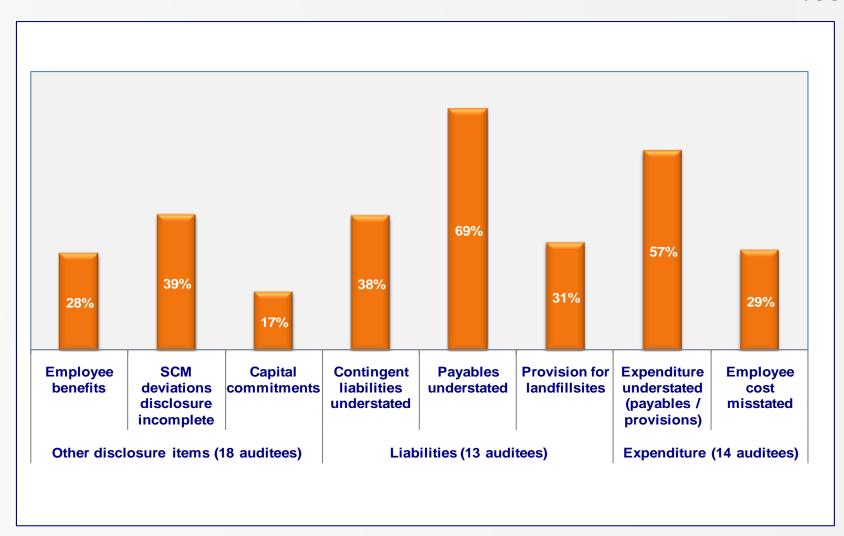
Property, plant and equipment (GRAP 17)







Correction of material misstatements – three highest areas excluding GRAP 17



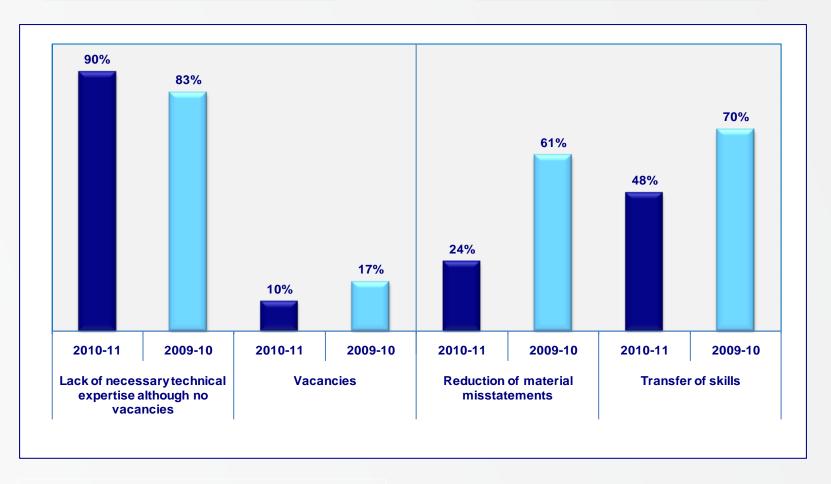


Assistance by consultants – reason and impact



Reasons for using consultants

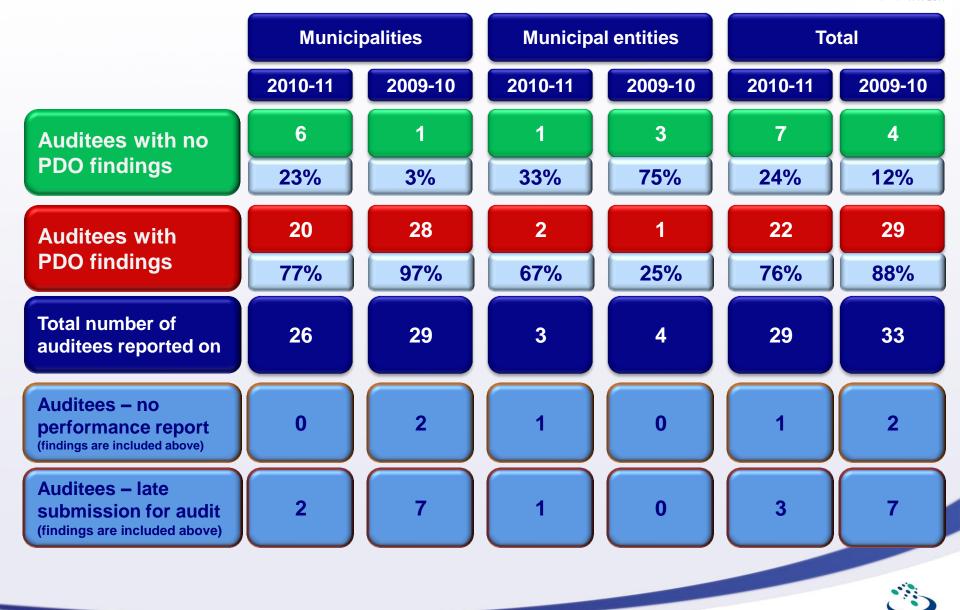
Impact of assistance provided by consultants



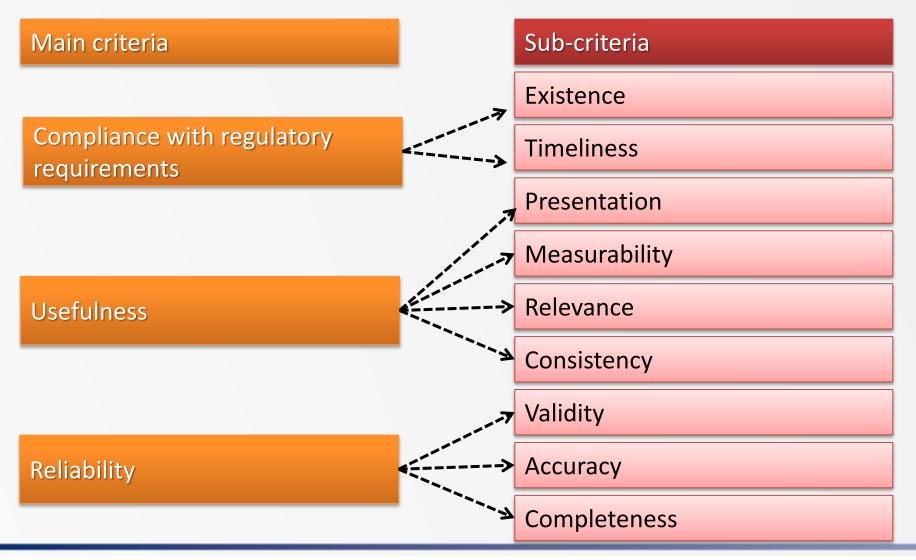
2010-11: 100% = 21 (2009-10: 100% = 23)



Auditees with findings on predetermined objectives and related non-compliance



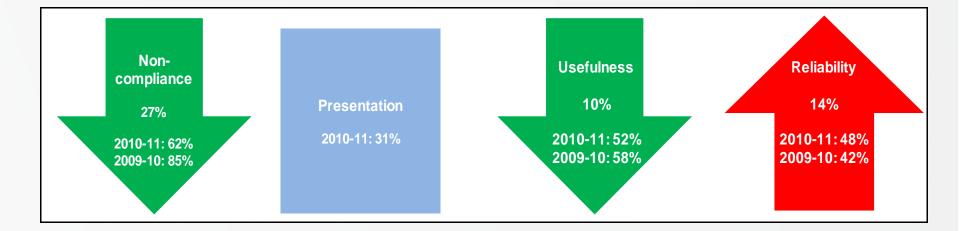
Audit criteria of Pre-determined objectives





Movement in categories of predetermined objectives findings



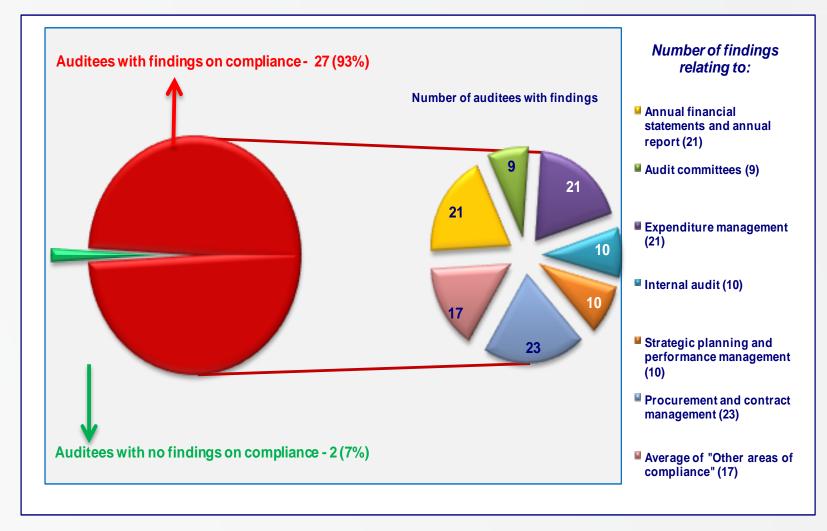






Categories of findings on compliance with laws and regulations

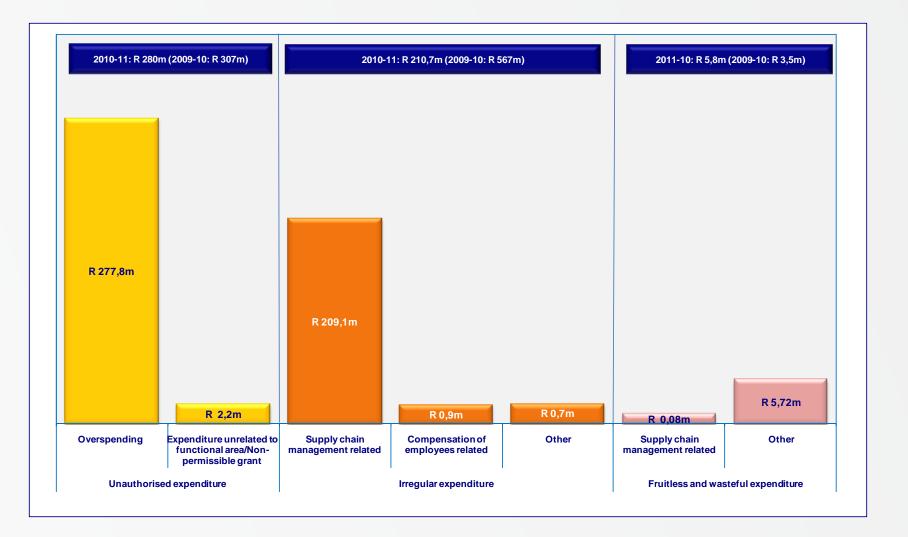






Unauthorised, irregular, and fruitless and wasteful expenditure – nature







Focus areas



Procurement/SCM

- Credible action plans
- Effective use of compliance checklists
- Effective risk management strategies
- Timely identification and reporting of non-compliance

Predetermined Objectives Reporting

- Formal policies and procedures consistent with the PMS
- Processes institutionalised through review and monitoring
- Implement proper record keeping
- Strengthen internal audit and performance audit committees

Regularity audit

- Implement and monitor key controls
- Credible action plans
- Preparation of regular GRAP AFS
- Effective internal audit and audit committees

HR Management

- Identify capacity and skills shortages
- Capacitate municipalities with skilled staff
- Performance management



Audit findings raised on common IT focus areas - Municipalities

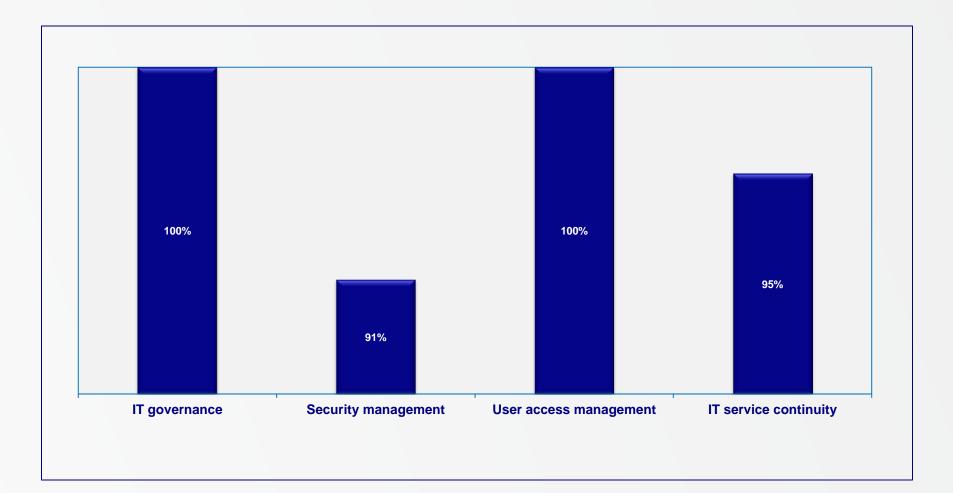


		Incidence of control weaknesses identified			
Focus area	Outline of aspects audited	Municipalities			
		Number audited	Number with weaknesses	Percentage	
IT Governance	The structures, policies and process through which the auditee ensure that IT are in line with the business requirements. Key focus was on the management of service level agreements.	24	24	100%	
Security management	Controls that prevent unauthorised access to the networks, operating systems and application systems that generates and prepares financial information.	24	22	91%	
User access management	Procedures through which the auditees ensure that only valid, authorised users are allowed segregated access to initiate and approve transactions on the system.	24	24	100%	
IT service continuity	Processes of managing the availability of hardware, system software, application software and data to enable auditee to recover/establish information system services in the event of a disaster. Key focus was on the application backup process.	24	23	95%	



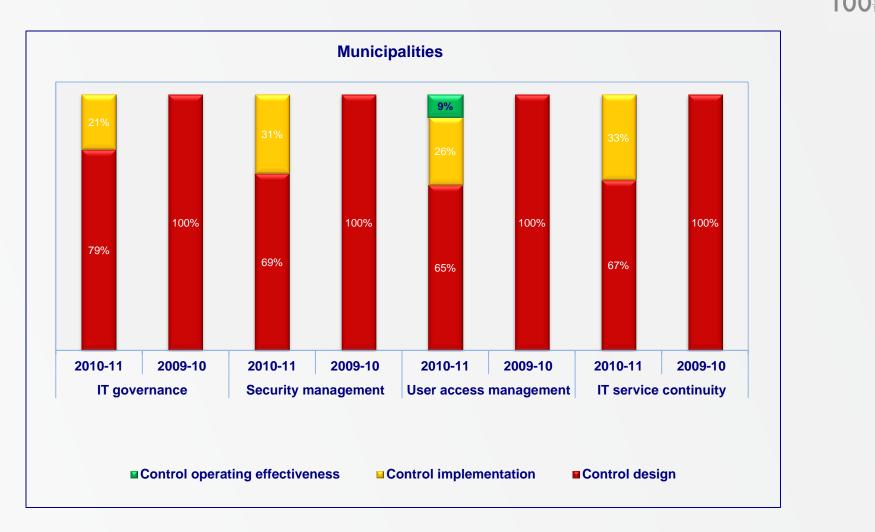
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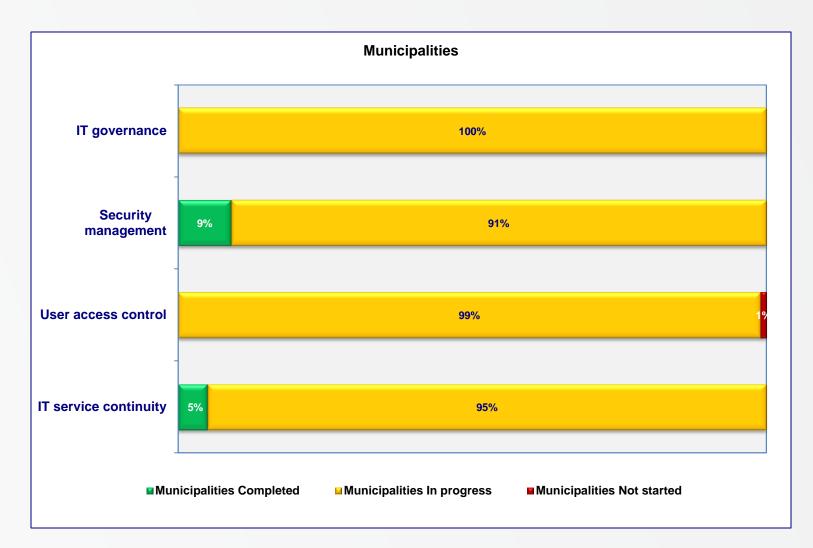
Drivers of IT control weaknesses





Progress in addressing previous year IT audit findings -Municipalities







Overall progress made in implementing key controls







Role of the audit committee in reporting



