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QA CAE Annual Survey – Global Results

Date: 05/24/2007
Total number of invitations: 5,725
Total number of responses collected: 1,340

Do you have a quality assurance and improvement program for your internal audit activity?

Response	Chart	Frequency	Count
Yes		**56.6%**	**754**
No		43.4%	578
Not Answered			8
		Valid Responses	**1332**
		Total Responses	**1340**

Are you aware of the International Standard for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing *(Standard)* 1312 that requires an external quality assessment at least every five years?

Response	Chart	Frequency	Count
Yes		**91.7%**	**1221**
No		8.3%	111
Not Answered			8
		Valid Responses	**1332**
		Total Responses	**1340**

Have you had an external quality assessment performed on your internal audit activity?

Response	Chart	Frequency	Count
Yes		34.0%	453
No		**66.0%**	**879**
Not Answered			8
		Valid Responses	**1332**
		Total Responses	**1340**

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How was the external assessment performed?

(Respondents could only choose a **single** response)

Response	Chart	Frequency	Count
As a full external quality assessment		**60.0%**	**273**
As a peer review		13.2%	60
As a self assessment with independent validation (SAIV)		26.8%	122
Not Answered			27
		Valid Responses	**455**
		Total Responses	**482**

What format was your peer review?

(Respondents could only choose a **single** response)

Response	Chart	Frequency	Count
Self assessment with independent validation (SAIV) using local IIA members		3.2%	2
SAIV using a group of peers from a common industry or member associations		22.6%	14
SAIV using a group of 3 or more organizations/companies/government agencies from different industries		4.8%	3
Full external quality assessment using local IIA members		9.7%	6
Full external quality assessment using a group of peers from a common industry or member associations		**41.9%**	**26**
Full external quality assessment using a group of 3 or more organizations/companies/government agencies from different industries		3.2%	2
Other		14.5%	9
Not Answered			24
		Valid Responses	**62**
		Total Responses	**86**

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If it was a full external quality assessment or a self assessment with independent validation, who were the assessors or validators?

Response	Chart	Frequency	Count
The IIA or its affiliates		19.6%	76
Public accounting firm		**37.4%**	**145**
Internal audit service provider		15.7%	61
Other[1]		27.3%	106
Not Answered			25
		Valid Responses	**388**
		Total Responses	**413**

Was the audit committee or the board of directors involved in selecting:

		Yes	No	Total
The external assessment approach	Count	**251**	189	**440**
	%	**57.0%**	43.0%	**100.0%**
The external validator(s)	Count	209	**213**	**422**
	%	49.5%	**50.5%**	**100.0%**
Total	Count	**460**	**402**	**862**
	%	**53.4%**	**46.6%**	**100.0%**

When was your external assessment performed?

Response		Frequency	Count
2007 January – May		18%	82
2006		**48.5%**	**221**
2005		15.9%	72
2004		7.2%	33
2003		4.2%	19
2002		2.4%	11
2001 or earlier		1.8%	8
Not sure		2%	9
Not Answered			15
		Valid Responses	**455**
		Total Responses	**470**

[1] *Respondents specified "Other" as another audit shop, consultant, independent provider/assessor, member of local IIA Chapter, peer, etc.*

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If you have not had an external quality assessment performed when do you plan on having one done?

Response	Frequency	Count
2007 April – December	14.4%	127
2008	15%	132
2009	7.2%	63
2010	5.6%	49
2011 or later	2.4%	21
No plan	22.8%	200
Not sure	**32.6%**	**287**
Not Answered		16
	Valid Responses	**879**
	Total Responses	**895**

Which approach do you intend to select?

Response	Chart	Frequency	Count
Full external quality assessment		28.9%	241
Self assessment with independent validation (SAIV)		**58.0%**	**484**
Other[2]		13.1%	109
Not Answered			60
		Valid Responses	**834**
		Total Responses	**894**

What is the primary reason that an external quality assessment has not been conducted?
(Respondents could only choose a **single** response)

Response	Chart	Frequency	Count
Do not have the necessary budget		9.3%	82
Do not have the required time		9.9%	87
Audit committee/senior management do not see the value		14.4%	126
Still within the 5 year cycle		**37.2%**	**327**
Other[3]		29.2%	256
Not Answered			16
		Valid Responses	**878**
		Total Responses	**894**

[2] *Respondents specified "Other" as external auditor, haven't decided, no decision, not sure, etc.*

[3] *Respondents specified "Other" as all of the above, budget & time constraints, merger in process, high staff turnover/vacancies, IA function newly created, new to position, not a priority, recovering from SOX, small audit group/company, etc.*

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How many full-time equivalent internal auditors are there in your internal audit activity?
(Respondents could only choose a **single** response)

Response	Chart	Frequency	Count
More than 500		0.6%	8
250 - 499		0.8%	10
100 - 249		2.3%	30
50 - 99		4.1%	55
25 - 49		5.9%	78
10 - 24		17.2%	229
Less than 10		**69.2%**	**923**
Not Answered			7
		Valid Responses	**1333**
		Total Responses	**1340**

Select from the list below the industry which your organization is in:
(Respondents could only choose a **single** response)

Response	Chart	Frequency	Count
Manufacturing		16.2%	216
Telecommunications		3.5%	46
Financial Services		22.5%	300
Transportation		3.2%	42
Utility		3.7%	49
Oil & Gas/Mining/Manufacturing		3.5%	46
Government		13.1%	174
Other[4]		**34.5%**	**460**
Not Answered			7
		Valid Responses	**1333**
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[4] *Respondents specified "Other" as banking, biotech, consulting, defense, distribution, education, gaming, engineering, healthcare, insurance, non-profit, real estate, retail, etc.*

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Select the country your organization is located in:
(Respondents could only choose a **single** response)

Response	Chart	Frequency	Count
United States		**42.3%**	**548**
Argentina		0.8%	10
Australia		5.1%	66
Austria		0.1%	1
Belgium		3.2%	42
Brazil		0.2%	2
Canada		5.1%	66
China		1.2%	15
Costa Rica		0.1%	1
France		5.1%	66
Germany		0.5%	6
India		0.2%	3
Italy		4.7%	61
Japan		14.9%	193
Kenya		0.2%	2
Malaysia		0.9%	12
Mexico		5.6%	72
Norway		2.5%	33
Oman		0.2%	3
South Africa		3.7%	48
Sweden		3.2%	42
The Netherlands		0.3%	4
Not Answered			44
		Valid Responses	**1296**
		Total Responses	**1340**

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