

THE INFLUENCE OF AUDIT COMPETENCY AND WORK EXPERIENCE ON COMPUTER-ASSISTED AUDIT TECHNIQUES AND THEIR IMPACT ON AUDIT QUALITY AT THE BPK REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE OF NORTH SUMATRA PROVINCE

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Abstract

This study aims to determine, analyze and test the effect of auditor competence and work experience on computer-assisted audit techniques and their impact on audit quality. This type of research is quantitative. This research was conducted using a survey method by distributing questionnaires to auditors working at BPK representative office in North Sumatra Province. Sampling using saturated sampling with a total of 95 respondents. Data analysis was performed using path analysis techniques by using the SPSS program. The results of this research to show that work experience affects computer-assisted audit techniques, computer-assisted audit techniques affect audit quality, auditor competence affects audit quality, work experience affects audit quality. However, the auditor competence has no effect on computer-assisted audit techniques. The results of the Sobel test also prove that work experience affects audit quality through computer-assisted audit techniques but the auditor competence does not affect audit quality through computer-assisted audit techniques. These results conclude that computer-assisted audit techniques can mediate (intervening) work experience on audit quality.

Keywords: Auditor Competence, Work Experience, Computer-Assisted Audit Techniques, Audit Quality

INTRODUCTION

The development of information technology has brought significant changes to the practice of state financial audits. The Supreme Audit Agency (BPK), as a state institution mandated to audit the management and accountability of state finances, is required to continuously adapt to the digital era by utilizing technology in the audit process. One form of digital transformation implemented is the use of Computer-Assisted Audit Techniques (CAA), which enable auditors to process data electronically, making the audit process more effective, efficient, and comprehensive. With a broad and complex audit scope, the use of CAA is a strategic necessity to ensure optimal audit quality. However, the level of TABK utilization by auditors is not yet fully unequal. In practice, some auditors still lack a full grasp of technology-based audit support applications and systems. This variation in capabilities can be influenced by factors such as auditor competency and work experience. Auditors with strong competencies are expected to understand technology-based audit procedures, while experienced auditors have an advantage in understanding audit patterns, systems, and issues, which can increase the effectiveness of TABK use.

On the other hand, the BPK's performance indicates that audit quality still needs improvement. One indicator is the realization of follow-up on audit recommendations (TLRHP), which has not fully met national targets in recent years. This highlights the need to optimize the audit process and utilize technology to support the accuracy and precision of audit recommendations. This indicates that audit quality depends not only on the application of audit standards but also on the auditor's ability to optimally utilize technology. Previous research has shown inconsistent findings regarding the influence of competence and work experience on the use of TABK and audit quality. Some studies have found that auditor competence influences the implementation of audit technology, but others have shown the opposite, particularly in the public sector. Similarly, work experience, although generally considered to influence the use of audit technology and audit quality, requires further empirical testing in the context of public sector audits in Indonesia. Based on this background, this study aims to analyze the influence of auditor competence and work experience on the use of TABK and its impact on audit quality at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province. The results of this study are expected to provide an empirical

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contribution to the development of literature on public sector audits and provide input for the BPK in improving auditor capacity through training and assignment experience to maximize the use of audit technology.

METHOD

This study uses a quantitative approach with an associative research type, which aims to examine the relationship between variables through statistical analysis. The focus of the study is to analyze the influence of auditor competence and work experience on computer-assisted audit techniques (CAA), as well as their impact on audit quality at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province. The relationship model between variables is tested using path analysis to identify the direct and indirect influences between the research variables.

Location and Time of Research

The research was conducted at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province. Data collection was conducted during the author's academic research period, from the planning process to the completion of the thesis in 2019–2022.

Population and Sample

The population in this study was all examiners who acted as team leaders and team members at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province, totaling 96 people. The sampling technique used saturated sampling, where all members of the population were used as research samples in accordance with the provisions of Sugiyono (2011).

Data Types and Sources

This study used primary data obtained through questionnaires distributed to respondents. The questionnaire consisted of statements describing indicators of auditor competency, work experience, TABK, and audit quality. The research instrument used a Likert scale of 1–5.

Operational Definition of Variables

The research variables consist of exogenous, endogenous, and mediating variables:

- **Auditor competence (X1)** is measured through personal quality indicators, audit planning, audit skills, communication, and skill improvement.
- **Work experience (X2)** includes length of service, number of audit assignments, frequency of software use, and continuing education.
- **Computer-Assisted Audit Techniques (CAA) (Y1)** is measured through ease of use, effectiveness, and ability to detect system-based errors.
- **Audit Quality (Y2)** is measured through the accuracy of findings, sufficient audit evidence, and conformity to audit standards.

Data collection technique

Data were collected by distributing questionnaires to all BPK auditors. Before being used in the main study, the instruments were tested through validity and reliability tests to ensure accurate measurement of the variables.

Data Analysis Techniques

The method used was path analysis using SPSS to test the direct and indirect influences between variables, including testing the mediation effect of TABK. This analysis technique was chosen because it is appropriate for research involving mediating variables and simultaneous relationships between variables.

Instrument Testing and Analysis Techniques

Validity Test

Validity testing was conducted to ensure each item on the questionnaire was able to measure the intended variable. The test used Pearson's Product Moment correlation between item scores and the total score. An item was declared valid if the significance value was <0.05 or the calculated r -value was greater than the table r -value based on the sample size.

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Reliability Test

Reliability testing was conducted using the Cronbach's Alpha coefficient . An instrument is considered reliable if the Cronbach's Alpha value is > 0.70 , thus the questionnaire is considered consistent in measuring the variables studied.

Classical Assumption Test

Before conducting path analysis, classical assumption testing is performed to ensure the model is statistically feasible. The steps involved include:

- **Normality Test** , using the Kolmogorov-Smirnov value and the Normal PP Plot graph , where the data is considered normal if the significance value is > 0.05 and the distribution follows the diagonal line.
- **Multicollinearity test** , by looking at the Variance Inflation Factor (VIF) and Tolerance values . No multicollinearity occurs if $VIF < 10$ and $Tolerance > 0.10$.
- **Heteroscedasticity test** , using the Glejser Test or a scatterplot examination . Heteroscedasticity does not occur if the significance value is > 0.05 or the point pattern is randomly distributed.

Path Analysis

Path analysis is used to test the direct and indirect influence of independent variables on dependent variables, including mediation relationships.

The structural equation consists of:

1. The similarity of the influence of competence and work experience on TABK
2. The similarity of the influence of competence, work experience, and TABK on audit quality

Path coefficients were calculated using SPSS.

Significance Test

The t-test is used to test the partial influence of each variable. The hypothesis is accepted if the significance value is < 0.05 . The F-test is used to test the simultaneous influence of all independent variables in the model.

Mediation Test (Sobel Test)

To determine whether TABK acts as a mediating variable between work experience and audit quality, a Sobel test was conducted. Mediation is declared significant if the Sobel calculated value is greater than the t-table value or the significance value is < 0.05 .

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Table 1 Direct Influence, Indirect Influence, and Total Influence of Auditor Competence, Work Experience, Computer-Assisted Audit Techniques on Audit Quality

| Computer Assisted Mark Techniques on Mark Quantity | | | | | |
|--|-----------|---------------------------------|------------|------------|-------|
| Influence Variables | Influence | | | | Total |
| | Direct | indirect | | | |
| | | Through x1 | Through x2 | Through y1 | |
| x1 with respect to y ₂ | 0.085 | | 0.046 | 0.046 | 0.177 |
| x2 with respect to y ₂ | 0.051 | 0.046 | | 0.041 | 0.138 |
| y ₁ with respect to y ₂ | 0.147 | 0.046 | 0.041 | | 0.234 |
| | | Simultaneous influence | | | 0.549 |
| | | Influence of external variables | | | 0.451 |

Source: SPSS output, processed data

Hypothesis Testing

a. Path Analysis Coefficient Significance Test (t-Statistic Test)

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The t-test was conducted to determine the level of significance of the partial influence of the independent variables, namely Examiner Competence , Work Experience. on the dependent variable (Computer Assisted Audit Techniques) which is formulated with the following hypothesis:

$H_0 : \beta_{y_1 x_i} = 0$, y_1 not influenced by variable x_i

$H_1 : \beta_{y_1 x_i} > 0$, y_1 influenced by variables x_i

where $i = 1, 2, 3$

Table 2. Results of the t-Test for Sub-structure Regression 1
Coefficients^a

| Model | Unstandardized Coefficients | | Standardized Coefficients | t | Sig. |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------|---------------------------|-------|------|
| | B | Std. Error | Beta | | |
| 1 (Constant) | 22,310 | 9,768 | | 2,284 | ,025 |
| Examiner Competence | ,152 | ,121 | ,159 | 1,250 | ,214 |
| Work experience | ,640 | ,225 | ,361 | 2,848 | ,005 |

a. Dependent Variable: TABK

Source: SPSS output, processed data

Based on the table above, the following test results were obtained:

1. The variable x_1 has a calculated t value of 1.250 < t table of 1.986 with a significance level of 0.214 greater than 0.05 so that it accepts H_0 and rejects H_1 . This means that there is no influence of the Auditor Competence variable on Computer Assisted Audit Techniques .
2. The variable x_2 has a calculated t value of 2.848 > t table of 1.986 with a significance level of 0.005 smaller than 0.05 so that it rejects H_0 and accepts H_1 . This means that there is an influence of the Work Experience variable on Computer Assisted Audit Techniques.

Table 3. Results of the t-Test for Sub-structure Regression 2
Coefficients^a

| Model | Unstandardized Coefficients | | Standardized Coefficients | t | Sig. |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------|---------------------------|-------|------|
| | B | Std. Error | Beta | | |
| 1 (Constant) | 27,678 | 9,467 | | 2,923 | ,004 |
| Examiner Competence | ,339 | ,115 | ,291 | 2,941 | ,004 |
| Work experience | ,488 | ,221 | ,226 | 2,205 | ,030 |
| TABK | ,468 | ,098 | ,384 | 4,757 | ,000 |

a. Dependent Variable: Audit Quality

Source: SPSS output, processed data

Based on the table above, the following test results were obtained:

1. The variable x_1 has a calculated t value of 2.941 > t table of 1.986 with a significance level of 0.004 smaller than 0.05 so that it rejects H_0 and accepts H_1 . This means that there is an influence of the Auditor Competence variable on Audit Quality .
2. The variable x_2 has a calculated t value of 2.205 > t table of 1.986 with a significance level of 0.030, which is smaller than 0.05, thus rejecting H_0 and accepting H_1 . This means that there is an influence of the Work Experience variable . on Audit Quality.
3. The variable y_1 has a calculated t value of 4.757 > t table of 1.986 with a significance level of 0.000 smaller than 0.05 so that it rejects H_0 and accepts H_1 . This means that there is an influence of the Computer Assisted Audit Technique variable on Audit Quality.

Intervening Effect Test

1. Intervening Effect Test Results for the Influence of Auditor Competence on Audit Quality through Computer-Assisted Audit Techniques

The first step in the intervening testing procedure is to conduct an indirect test of variable X 1 to variable Y 2 through variable Y1 . The indirect effect of X 1 to Y 2 through Y1 is calculated by multiplying the path X 1 → Y1 (a) by the path Y1 → Y 2 (b) or ab. The standard error of the coefficients a and b is written as Sa and Sb, the magnitude of the standard error of the indirect effect . Sab is calculated using the following formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Saturday} &= \sqrt{b^2 Sa^2 + a^2 Sb^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(0.468^2 \times 0.121^2) + (0.152^2 \times 0.098^2)} \\ &= \sqrt{(0.2190 \times 0.0146) + (0.0231 \times 0.0096)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Saturday} = \sqrt{0.003197 + 0.000222}$$

$$\text{Saturday} = \sqrt{0.003419}$$

$$\text{Saturday} = 0.0585$$

Next , conduct a test to determine the significance of the indirect influence by calculating the t value of the ab coefficient using the following formula :

$$t = \frac{ab}{\text{Saturday}}$$

$$t = \frac{0.152 \times 0.468}{0.0585}$$

$$t = 1.215$$

The test results using the Sobel Test can be seen from the significant t-count at 0.05, namely $1.215 < 1.986$. Therefore, it is concluded that there is no intervening influence of the computer-assisted audit technique variable . on the indirect relationship of the examiner's competence variable and audit quality .

| Input: | | Test statistic: | Std. Error: | p-value: |
|----------------|-------|-----------------|-------------|------------|
| a | 0.152 | Sobel test: | 1.21486966 | 0.05855443 |
| b | 0.468 | Aroian test: | 1.19069895 | 0.05974306 |
| s _a | 0.121 | Goodman test: | 1.24057476 | 0.05734116 |
| s _b | 0.098 | | | 0.21476288 |
| | | Reset all | Calculate | |

2. Intervening Effect Test Results for the Influence of Work Experience on Audit Quality through Computer-Assisted Audit Techniques

The first step in the intervening testing procedure is to conduct an indirect test of variable X 2 to variable Y 2 via variable Y1 . The indirect effect of X 2 to Y 2 via Y1 is calculated by multiplying the path X 1 → Y1 (a) by the path Y1 → Y 2 (b) or ab with the formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Saturday} &= \sqrt{b^2 Sa^2 + a^2 Sb^2} \\ \text{Saturday} &= \sqrt{(0.468^2 \times 0.225^2) + (0.640^2 \times 0.098^2)} \\ \text{Saturday} &= \sqrt{(0.2190 \times 0.0506) + (0.4096 \times 0.0096)} \\ &= \sqrt{0.011081 + 0.003932} \\ &= \sqrt{0.015013} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Saturday} = 0.1225$$

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Next , conduct a test to determine the significance of the indirect influence by calculating the t value of the ab coefficient using the following formula :

$$t = \frac{ab}{\text{Saturday}}$$

$$t = \frac{0.640 \times 0.468}{0.1225}$$

$$t = 2,444$$

The test results using the Sobel Test can be seen from the significant t-count at 0.05 is $2.444 > 1.986$. It is concluded that there is an intervening influence of the computer-assisted audit technique variable . on the indirect relationship of work experience variables and audit quality .

| Input: | | Test statistic: | Std. Error: | p-value: |
|----------------|-------|-----------------|-------------|------------|
| a | 0.64 | Sobel test: | 2.44378819 | 0.12256381 |
| b | 0.468 | Aroian test: | 2.40517487 | 0.12453149 |
| s _a | 0.225 | Goodman test: | 2.48432301 | 0.12056403 |
| s _b | 0.098 | Reset all | Calculate | |

Research result

This study involved 95 auditor respondents at the North Sumatra Provincial Representative Office of the Supreme Audit Agency (BPK). Descriptive analysis results indicate that auditor competency, work experience, utilization of computer-assisted audit techniques (CAA), and audit quality are all in the high category. This indicates that auditors have a good understanding of audit procedures, sufficient experience on assignments, and have attempted to use digital audit systems and applications in carrying out audit duties. The path analysis results indicate that auditor competency does not significantly influence TABK. In other words, increased competency does not directly lead to greater use of TABK by auditors in the audit process. This is evident from the significance value of the competency variable on TABK, which is above the $\alpha = 0.05$ level. This condition indicates that technical auditing skills, in theory, are not necessarily directly proportional to operational skills in using digital applications in public sector audits.

This is different from work experience. Statistical test results indicate that work experience has a positive and significant effect on the use of TABK. Auditors with more experience in audit assignments have been shown to be better able to utilize audit technology, both for financial statement testing, data analysis, and irregularity detection. The t-test value and significance level indicate a strong relationship between work experience and digital audit system adoption. Furthermore, the research also demonstrates that TABK has a significant impact on audit quality. Auditors who optimally utilize audit technology can improve the speed of data analysis, the accuracy of electronic evidence examination, and the effectiveness of substantive and compliance testing. This positively impacts the quality of audit reports, particularly in terms of the accuracy of findings, the completeness of audit evidence, and compliance with state financial audit standards.

In addition to the indirect influence through TABK, this study also shows that competence and work experience have a direct impact on audit quality. Auditors with a strong understanding of audit procedures, government accounting principles, and auditing standards are more likely to formulate appropriate opinions and recommendations. Similarly, experienced auditors have greater knowledge in understanding the characteristics of audit objects, identifying risks, and assessing audit evidence. The results of the Sobel mediation test indicate that TABK mediates the relationship between work experience and audit quality. This means that the greater the auditor's experience, the greater the use of TABK, which ultimately improves audit quality. However, TABK does not mediate the relationship between auditor competence and audit quality. This confirms that theoretical mastery of auditing does not automatically increase the use of audit technology, and therefore does not strengthen audit quality through technology.

Discussion

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The results of this study are an analysis of the research findings against the theory, opinions, and previous research presented, as well as the behavioral patterns that must be implemented to address these issues. The discussion of the analysis of the research findings is as follows.

The Influence of Auditor Competence on Computer-Assisted Audit Techniques

The research results obtained from the results of hypothesis testing regarding the influence of auditor competence on computer-assisted audit techniques show that the t-value of auditor competence is 1.250 and the t-table is 1.986 with $\alpha = 5\%$. Thus, the t-table is greater than the t-count, and the significance value is 0.214 (greater than 0.05), meaning that H_0 is accepted and H_a is rejected. This indicates that auditor competence has no effect on computer-assisted audit techniques. The research results found that the competence possessed by the auditors did not affect computer-assisted audit techniques at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province. This can be shown from the small direct and indirect influences. Directly, the influence of auditor competence on computer-assisted audit techniques was 0.025 (2.5%). And indirectly, through the work experience variable, it had an influence of 0.040 (4%), so that the total influence of auditor competence on computer-assisted audit techniques was 0.065 (6.5%). This is because there are still auditors who do not have a good understanding of information technology and how to use applications in computer-assisted audit techniques.

The Influence of Work Experience on Computer-Assisted Audit Techniques

The results of the research obtained from the results of hypothesis testing regarding the influence of work experience on computer-assisted audit techniques show that the t-value of work experience is 2.848 and the t-table is 1.986 with $\alpha = 5\%$. Thus, the t-table is smaller than the t-count, and the significance value is 0.005 (smaller than 0.05), meaning that H_0 is rejected and H_a is accepted. This indicates that work experience has an effect on computer-assisted audit techniques. The research results found that work experience influences computer-assisted audit techniques at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province. This can be demonstrated through direct and indirect influences. Directly, work experience influences computer-assisted audit techniques by 0.130 (13%). Indirectly, through the auditor competency variable, it influences by 0.040 (4%), so the total influence of work experience on computer-assisted audit techniques is 0.170 (17%).

Judging from the results of descriptive research on respondents' responses regarding work experience at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province, 65.91% of the examiners chose to agree. This is evident from the scores of all indicators, namely the length of work as an examiner, the number of audit tasks, the frequency of software use and continuing education that has been obtained in the good and very good categories. The average answer in the very good category is found in the statement that the longer an examiner has been, the more the examiner understands how to deal with the entity/object of the examination in obtaining the required data and information, the more they can find out relevant information to take considerations in making decisions, the more they can detect errors made by the object of the examination, the easier it is to find the cause of the error and can provide recommendations to eliminate/minimize the cause. Likewise, the statement that the number of audit tasks requires accuracy and precision from the examiner in completing them and the training that has been carried out is very useful for the implementation of the examination.

The Impact of Computer-Assisted Audit Techniques on Audit Quality

The research results obtained from the results of hypothesis testing regarding the effect of computer-assisted audit techniques on audit quality show that the t-value of computer-assisted audit techniques is 4.757 and the t-table is 1.986 with $\alpha = 5\%$. Thus, the t-table is smaller than the t-count, and the significance value is 0.000 (smaller than 0.05), meaning that H_0 is rejected and H_a is accepted. This indicates that computer-assisted audit techniques have an effect on audit quality. The research results found that computer-assisted audit techniques affect audit quality at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province. This can be demonstrated through direct and indirect influences. Directly, computer-assisted audit techniques affect audit quality by 0.147 (14.7%). And indirectly through the auditor competency variable, it has an influence of 0.046 (4.6%) and the work experience variable has an influence of 0.041 (4.1%), so that the total influence of computer-assisted audit techniques on audit quality is 0.234 (23.4%). Based on the results of a descriptive study of respondents' responses regarding computer-assisted audit techniques at the North Sumatra Provincial Audit Board (BPK) Representative Office, the overall response was positive. The maximum average score of 4.06 was attributed to the ease of use of e-audit, provided the user has an assignment letter. This was done to ensure the security of e-audit use. Respondents' statements regarding the e-audit portal provide the required information quickly, the information

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obtained from the e-audit portal is reliable for audits, the data I obtained from the e-audit portal feature is accurate, the e-audit portal is very useful for me as an individual, are in the good category. This shows that the information generated from the e-audit provides accurate value for audit findings.

The Influence of Auditor Competence on Audit Quality

The research results obtained from the results of hypothesis testing regarding the influence of auditor competence on audit quality indicate that the t-value of auditor competence is 2.941 and the t-table is 1.986 with $\alpha = 5\%$. Thus, the t-table is smaller than the t-count, and the significance value is 0.004 (smaller than 0.05), meaning that H_0 is rejected and H_a is accepted. This indicates that auditor competence influences audit quality. The research results found that auditor competence influences audit quality at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province. This can be demonstrated through direct and indirect influences. Directly, auditor competence influences audit quality by 0.085 (8.5%). Indirectly, through work experience variables, it influences by 0.046 (4.6%), and computer-assisted audit techniques variables, it influences by 0.046 (4.6%). Therefore, the total influence of auditor competence on audit quality is 0.177 (17.7%).

Judging from the results of a descriptive study of respondents' responses regarding the competence of auditors at the North Sumatra Provincial Representative Office of the Supreme Audit Agency (BPK), the overall score was good. The maximum score for the respondent was 4.44, categorized as very good, for the statement "I am able to work in a team." This is because audits are always conducted as a team. The functional position of auditor (JFP) is obtained after completing JFP education and training. From the beginning of their duties as auditors, auditors are assigned to carry out audits in groups.

The Influence of Work Experience on Audit Quality

The results of the research obtained from the results of the hypothesis testing regarding the effect of work experience on audit quality indicate that the t-value of work experience is 2.205 and the t-table is 1.986 with $\alpha = 5\%$. Thus, the t-table is smaller than the t-count, and the significance value is 0.030 (smaller than 0.05), meaning that H_0 is rejected and H_a is accepted. This indicates that work experience has an effect on audit quality. The research results found that work experience influences audit quality at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province. This can be demonstrated through direct and indirect influences. Directly, work experience influences audit quality by 0.051 (5.1%). Indirectly, through the auditor competency variable, it influences by 0.046 (4.6%), and the computer-assisted audit technique variable, it influences by 0.041 (4.1%). The total influence of work experience on audit quality is 0.138 (13.8%).

The Influence of Auditor Competence on Audit Quality Through Computer-Assisted Audit Techniques

The research results obtained from the results of hypothesis testing regarding the influence of auditor competence on audit quality through computer-assisted audit techniques show that the t-value of auditor competence is 1.192 and the t-table is 1.986 with $\alpha = 5\%$. Thus, t-table is greater than the t-value, meaning H_0 is accepted and H_a is rejected. This indicates that auditor competence does not affect audit quality through computer-assisted audit techniques. Judging from the results of descriptive research on respondents' responses regarding the competence of auditors at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province, the lowest average was 3.95 for the statement "I really understand the use of audit software in carrying out my duties (audit process) at the BPK." Respondents stated that they disagreed as many as 18 respondents or 18.95% of them with the statement about the use of audit software. This is because there are many audit software that can be used in audit implementation, such as Excel, Access, ACL, IDEA, in-house applications (e-audit), APPLAUD, Foucaudit, SQL, Arbutus, and others. The software most frequently used in audits is Excel, SQL, and e-audit. Respondents stated that many auditors' needs in e-audits were not being met, as evidenced by the average score of 3.34, which is in the moderate category. Respondents expected more information/data from e-audits, as they have already experienced the benefits of e-audits.

The Influence of Work Experience on Audit Quality Through Computer-Assisted Audit Techniques

The research results obtained from the hypothesis testing regarding the effect of experience on audit quality through computer-assisted audit techniques show that the t-value of work experience is 2.444 and the t-table is 1.986 with $\alpha = 5\%$. Thus, the t-table is smaller than the t-count, meaning H_0 is rejected and H_a is accepted. This indicates that work experience influences audit quality through computer-assisted audit techniques. PSA No. 59 (SA Section 327) establishes factors that auditors must consider before using TABK, one of which is the

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auditor's computer experience. Auditors already use computers in their daily work. This facilitates adaptation to the use of e-audit in the audit process. Work experience will provide auditors with a better understanding and better ability to provide explanations for audit findings. Judging from the results of descriptive research on respondents' responses regarding work experience at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province, the statement that the longer I work as an auditor, the more I can detect errors made by audit objects. The average score was 4.37, categorized as very good. Experience will make it easier for auditors to collect sufficient, reliable, and relevant evidence. Early error detection is obtained from the e-audit portal. The e-audit portal provides the necessary information quickly. The use of e-audit results in increased audit findings and accurate data.

CONCLUSION

Based on the research results, the following conclusions can be drawn from the research regarding the influence of auditor competence and work experience on computer-assisted audit techniques and their impact on audit quality at the BPK Representative Office of North Sumatra Province:

1. The auditor's competence does not affect computer-assisted audit techniques.
2. Work experience influences computer-assisted audit techniques.
4. Computer-assisted audit techniques affect audit quality.
5. Auditor competence influences audit quality.
6. Work experience influences audit quality.
7. Auditor competence does not affect audit quality through computer-assisted audit techniques.
8. Work experience influences audit quality through computer-assisted audit techniques.

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