
Performance descriptors

Assessment objectives have been developed for this qualification to ensure that examinations are appropriately targeted. They describe the abilities that students should be able to demonstrate. Each question targets one or more assessment objectives. They are applied to the examination in the proportions below.

Grade	Descriptor
Pass	<p>Candidates recall statistical procedures, terms, definitions, processes and formulae in a business context, showing a understanding of statistical concepts.</p> <p>Candidates mostly collect and manipulate raw data selecting appropriate statistical calculations and use them in a business context. They carry out computations with some accuracy using standard statistical calculations, presenting solutions and data using tables, graphs, charts, diagrams with occasional errors.</p> <p>Candidates analyse data and information, recognise significant patterns and make connections to predict consequences.</p>
Distinction	<p>Candidates recall, and communicate thorough understanding of, statistical procedures, terms, definitions, processes and formulae in a business context and explain statistical concepts.</p> <p>Candidates consistently, collect and manipulate raw data selecting appropriate statistical calculations to interpret outcomes accurately, applying these in a business context. They carry out computations with precision using statistical calculations, presenting tables/graphs/charts/diagrams appropriately and accurately.</p> <p>Candidates make reasoned judgements and interpretations, drawing on sophisticated analyses.</p>

Performance descriptors may be revised following the first award.