

2011 CPA Exam: Changes in Question Distribution (Weight)

On January 1, 2011, the AICPA will change many facets of the CPA Exam. Not only will new content be added (such as IFRS), but there will changes in how the questions are distributed, weighted, and scored. Here is how it will change:

Auditing and Attestation (AUD) Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) Regulation (REG)

Type of Question	Current Weight	CBT-e Weight
Multiple-Choice Question	70%	60%
Simulations	20%	40%
Written Communications	10%	0%

Business Environment and Concepts (BEC)

Type of Question	Current Weight	CBT-e Weight
Multiple-Choice Question	100%	85%
Simulations	0%	0%
Written Communications	0%	15%

In 2011, Simulations will double in AUD, FAR, and REG while Written Communications will be added to BEC.

For the letter from AICPA detailing the changes, click here:

http://www.cpa-exam.org/download/CBTe_Announcement-Sections-TimeWeights-FINAL.pdf

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