

27.0: GERMAN (502)

German is examined in the following three papers:

Paper 1 (502/1) - This paper tests Writing Skills

Paper 2 (502/2) - This paper tests Grammar and Reading Comprehension

Paper 3 (502/3) - This paper tests Intonation, Pronunciation and Communicative Skills

The table below shows the performance of candidates in German in the years 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004. Paper 1 (502/1) and Paper 2 (502/2) are awarded together.

Table 27: Candidates' Overall Performance in German for the last four years.

Year	Paper	Candidature	Maximum Score	Mean Score	Standard Deviation
2001	1 & 2		70	39.36	10.22
	3		30	18.88	5.02
	Overall	334	100	57.79	14.00
2002	1 & 2		70	37.95	10.78
	3		30	18.19	4.79
	Overall	381	100	55.99	14.34
2003	1 & 2		70	39.21	10.91
	3		30	18.54	4.37
	Overall	353	100	57.75	13.95
2004	1 & 2		70	41.63	9.72
	3		30	20.42	4.67
	Overall	394	100	62.05	13.00

From the table above, the following observations can be made:-

- i) There was a remarkable improvement in the general performance of the candidates in the year 2004 examination when compared to the year 2003.
- ii) The candidates' highest performance over the four years period was in the year 2004 when a combined mean of 62.05 was registered.
- iii) There was an increase in candidature in the year 2004 (394) when compared to the year 2003 candidature of 353. This represented a candidature increase of 11.6%.