

ABSTRACT

This study aims to analyze the effect of audit quality, financial distress, solvency as measured by the capital adequacy ratio (CAR), and audit complexity on audit delay in banking companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange (IDX) during the 2019-2023 period. The approach used in this research is quantitative with panel data regression analysis method. The sample consists of 40 banking companies selected using purposive sampling, with a total of 200 annual observations. To determine the best model in panel analysis, the Chow test and Hausman test were used, which led to the selection of the Fixed Effect Model as the most suitable regression model.

The results of the analysis show that of the four independent variables tested, only audit complexity has a significant effect on audit delay. This shows that the higher the audit complexity of a company, the more likely the audit process will be delayed. In contrast, audit quality, financial distress, and CAR do not show a significant effect on audit delay partially. The cross tabulation results also reinforce these findings, where the distribution between independent variables and audit delay tends not to show a consistent relationship pattern.

The coefficient of determination (R^2) value of 19.05% indicates that the regression model used is only able to explain a small part of the variation in audit delay, so there are still other variables that have the potential to influence and need to be explored in further research. These findings contribute both theoretically and practically, especially for the development of accounting studies in the field of auditing and improving the efficiency of financial reporting in the banking sector.

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