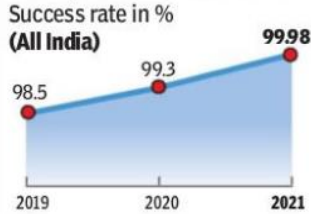
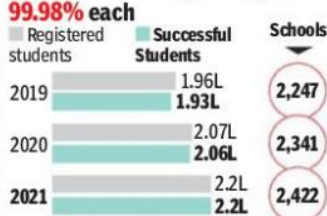


'Most ICSE schools have just 2 groups: 90%-plus & 80%'

ICSE (Class X) results 2021



Success rate of boys and girls:



Students with special difficulty

Learning: 946 passed, of whom 183 scored more than 90%
Visually challenged: 22, of whom 11 scored more than 90%



GOOD RESULTS IN PANDEMIC: TEACHERS



Priyanshi Desai | Cambridge International School | 99.8%

I would describe my preparation as a perfect blend of hard work and consistency. My school has been the biggest contributor. They made online education interactive. I also faced some burnout but my parents helped me through that

SCHOOL REPORT CARD

CATHEDRAL AND JOHN CONNON
193 students secured 90% and more, 7 scored 80% to 89%

BOMBAY SCOTTISH
200 out of 236 students secured 90% and above, 3 got 99.2%; 235 out of 236 got 80% and above

PODAR SCHOOL
192 got 90% to 94.9%; 120 95%-plus

SMT SULOCHANADEVI SINGHANIA SCHOOL: 88% got 90% or more

UNIVERSAL SCHOOL
512 got 90% and above

CAMPION SCHOOL
58 got 90%-plus, 10 80% to 89.9%

Palash Jain | Cambridge Int'l School | 99.6%

"Despite so much self-studying as there was only online schooling, I am a bit upset that I still have to prepare for CET. It is unfortunate for all of us"



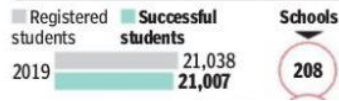
Akash Randive | Bombay Scottish School | 99.2%

I revised the syllabus several times. I am grateful to my teachers. I won't prepare for CET



Aarya Jain | Bombay Scottish School | 99.2%

I have worked very hard. I cut down on all inessentials, phone usage and games



Assessment methodology

- Average Class IX and X marks in tests and exams
- Internal projects and practicals of Class X

State scores 100% in ICSE, 99.94% in ISC

Mumbai: ICSE (Class X) students secured a national success rate of 99.98% and ISC (Class XII) 99.76% in the first-ever results not based on exams that were announced on Saturday. While Maharashtra's ICSE students clinched a perfect 100% success rate this year, high scores will not help

► **Flood-affected kids to get another shot at JEE (M), P 3**

in admissions to first-year junior colleges as the Common Entrance Test (CET) scores will be given priority in the first round, **report Sandhya Nair & Hemali Chhapia.**

Meanwhile, state's Class XII students notched 99.94% pass rate. Their Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) and

SUCCESS RATE (IN %)

	2019	2020	2021
ICSE (All India)	98.5	99.3	99.98
Maharashtra	98.85	99.9	100
ISC (All India)	96.5	96.8	99.8
Maharashtra	99.27	98.5	99.94

CBSE Class XII counterparts are awaiting their results. They are likely to be announced next week.

The Supreme Court, in June, had directed all the states to declare their Class XII results by July 31.

► **Jump in 90%+ scorers, P 5**

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A total of 2.2 lakh students had registered for the ICSE exams, which got cancelled due to the pandemic. They were assessed on the basis of their Class IX and X scores. In Maharashtra, all the 24,358 students across 234 schools passed ICSE. Both boys and girls in the state performed equally well. For the second year in a row, no merit list was declared.

For both ICSE and ISC, almost all Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE) board schools in Mumbai and across India saw a jump in the 90% and above scorers. Gerry Arathoon, chief executive and secretary, CISCE, refused to comment on the high scores. In most ICSE schools of

the city, there were only two groups of students—the larger count with scorecards of 90% and above and a small share of those who had scored 80%-plus, said two principals.

At Fort's Cathedral and John Connon School, director and principal Meera Issacs spoke of the "elaborate system put in place by the council to compute the final scores". Her school has 193 students who secured more than or equal to 90% and seven who scored between 80% and 89%.

Sunita George, head of Bombay Scottish School in Mahim, said, "In Grade X, out of 236 students, 200 have got more than 90%, and within that there is a subset of 37 students who bagged upwards of 98%. And barring one child who scored 79%,

the remaining stand between 80% and 90%. Our results are fantastic."

Last year, too, 99.9% students passed in the state after a few papers were cancelled due to the country-wide lockdown. The high pass percentage had impacted admissions to FYJC. In 2019, before the pandemic, the ICSE pass percentage in Maharashtra was 99.85%.

While a state education officer said that CISCE has been consistently awarding very high scores to its students, Rohit Bhat, chairperson of Children's Academy Group of Schools termed it as a well-tabulated result when compared to other boards. "Eighty per cent students from our three schools got 90% and above. But there were no black horses. Students who have

been consistently performing have rightly scored," said Bhatt.

Supporting the high results, Alice Vaz, principal of Ryan International School, Kharghar said, "One of my boys lost his mother to Covid and yet managed a 96.4%, which is commendable."

Jhalak Mehta, who lost her father Manoj (52) in the Andheri Gokhale bridge collapse, was among the three students of her CNH school, Vile Parle, to score 98.8%.

Dr Gayatri Sharma, principal, A P International School, Mira Road, said her student Ayesha Hadfa, who topped the school with 99%, would have got the same score had she written a physical exam. The SSC results announced last week had over 1 lakh students in 90% category.

'Far more difficult' Class XI exams pulled down results: ISC students

Sandhya Nair & Hemali Chhappia | TNN

Mumbai: The performance of Class XII students of the Council of the Indian School Certificate Examination (CISCE), both in the state and all India, rose for the second year during the pandemic with a success rate of 99.94% and 99.76%, respectively. In Maharashtra, of the 3,427 registered students in 53 schools, only two were placed in the unsuccessful category. In 2019, before the pandemic struck, two students had scored a perfect 100% in the country.

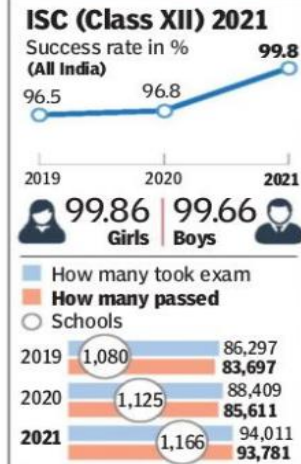
This year's assessment was based on performances in Class X, XI and XII after cancellation of exams due to the pandemic. Of the 94,011 registered students from 1,166 schools, 93,718 were declared successful.

Class XII students were anxiously awaiting results as they want to pursue higher studies, both abroad and in India.

A number of students said their scores suffered due to their Class XI marks. "The Class XI tests were far more difficult than Class XII internal exams," said a student of a Kandivli school, who secured 86%.

Two girls from North Point

'MIGHT HAVE SCORED MORE IN BOARD EXAM'



Stuti Sharma, Bombay Scottish (Humanities) | 99%

There was no clarity on a lot of fronts. Our school was quick to give us updates. The school took multiple tests and endless assignments. It used to make us cry then, but that helped us eventually. I want to pursue English and psychology

Students with spl difficulty

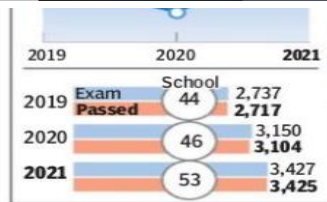
- **Learning:** 167 passed, of whom 24 scored over 90%
- **Visually challenged:** 15, of whom 4 scored more than 90%



Nia Talwalkar, Bombay Scottish (Science) | 99%

I have been accepted in the computer engineering programme at the University of Toronto. I credit the achievement to being self-driven and diligent

CATHEDRAL AND JOHN CONNON	83 scored 90%-plus, 13 80% to 89%
BOMBAY SCOTTISH	82 got 90%-plus, 9 98% and above
PODAR SCHOOL	80 got 90%-94.99%, 67 95%-plus
HIRANANDANI FOUNDATION	48 got 90%-plus, 30 80% to 89.9%



Assessment methodology

- Average Class XI and XII marks in tests and exams
- Class X (English plus Best of 4 subjects)
- Projects/practicals of Class XII

Region-wise performance in 2021 in %

Region	Performance (%)
North	99.27
East	99.70
West	99.91
South	99.91
Int'l	100

successful are the ones who remained absent, said a principal. This year, 230 ISC students in the country were declared unsuccessful and placed in the Pass Certificate Not Applicable

(PCNA) category: "No student is tagged as 'failed'," said a principal. Last year, 2,798 students were placed under PCNA in India, of whom 46 were from the state. N L Dalmia School princip-

al Seema Saini said while results were in line with previous years' performance, students said they would have scored a bit more in board exams. (With inputs from BB Nayak)

ICSE RESULTS: 100% SUCCESS RATE FOR MAHA

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MUMBAI: Results of the Class 10 (ICSE) and Class 12 (ISC) exams were announced by the Council of Indian Secondary Certificate Examinations (CISCE) on Saturday afternoon.

As per information from CISCE, the all-India success rate for ICSE stood at 99.98% this year, while the same for Maharashtra schools is a perfect 100%. The all-India success rate for ISC stands at 99.76% and the same for Maharashtra is 99.94%. The CISCE had cancelled the exams for both classes this year in view of the aggressive second wave of Covid-19. The result has been prepared on an alternative assessment policy decided by the board. →P3

Maha scores a perfect 100% for ICSE, 99.94% for ISC

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MUMBAI: Results for Class 10 (ICSE) and Class 12 (ISC) were announced by the Council of Indian Secondary Certificate Examinations (CISCE) on Saturday afternoon. Students and schools had every reason to cheer with many scoring near-perfect scores and the overall success rate of ICSE students in Maharashtra standing at 100%.

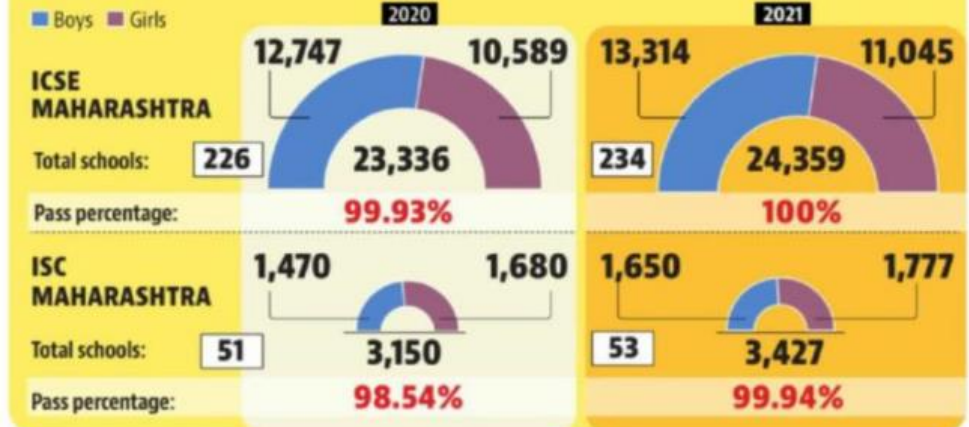
A large number of city schools witnessed a rise in the number of students scoring 90% and above. Authorities at Bombay Scottish School, Mahim, confirmed that 84.7% of their ICSE batch scored above 90% this year. "The students are very happy with the overall results. Even our Class 12 batch has done very well; 70% of the batch scored above 90%," said Sunita George, principal.

Last year, around 100 students had scored over 90%. This year, 150 of the 290 students have managed this feat. We had focussed on internals throughout the year and that helped better the overall score," said Alice Vaz, principal, Ryan International School, Kharghar. She added students were also worried about the status of exams and ensured they performed well through the year, despite online lectures.

As per information shared by CISCE, the all India success rate for ICSE stood at 99.98% this year, while the same for Maharashtra schools is a perfect 100%. Similarly, the all India success rate for ISC stands at 99.76% and the same for Maharashtra is 99.94%. West region has a 99.9% success rate in ICSE.

"This year was extremely difficult one for the entire country, and in spite of the severe crisis, our schools and students have gone out of their way to do well. The data submitted by schools was analysed by reputed statisticians from premier institutes around the country along with CISCE officials," said Gerry Aarathoon, secretary, CISCE.

Scoreboard



'Still worried about FYJC CET'

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MUMBAI: A week after the Maharashtra state board announced results for the Secondary School Certificate (SSC) students boasting of an unprecedented 99.95% success, the announcement of ICSE results with a 100% success rate has brought the focus back on the upcoming optional common entrance test (CET) exam for first-year junior college (FYJC) admissions. Despite good individual marks, Class 10 students are now worried about CET exam which is scheduled to take place on August 21.

"Unlike previous years when our marks was only dependent on the final exam, this year the result considers our performance throughout the year and the previous academic year as well. Despite a year of anxieties, we are still facing an unsure future, which is very nerve wracking," said Anshita Rajan, an ICSE student who scored 99.04%.

This year, Class 10 board exams across several school education boards had to be scrapped due to rising Covid-19 cases.



ICSE students celebrate after checking their results at Kopar Khairane, in Navi Mumbai on Saturday.

BACHCHAN KUMAR/ HT PHOTO

Results for the Class 10 batch was instead formulated based on students' performance in Class 9 and 10 combined.

According to the circular released by the state board earlier this week, an optional CET exam based solely on SSC syllabus and consisting of multiple choice questions for 100 marks will be conducted in physical mode on August 21.

"How can the state call this parity when the syllabus for CET exam is based only on state board curriculum? ICSE syllabus for subjects like social sciences, maths and science is different from state board schools; so how

are we supposed to compete with state board students when we haven't studied the same curriculum?" asked Tanisha Rai, an ICSE student.

Last month, a Class 10 ICSE student approached the Bombay high court seeking help in this matter. The court this week asked the state board to consider conducting the CET with syllabus of ICSE and CBSE boards as well, the board is yet to respond.

"It seems the board wants to give a bigger advantage to state board students. We are hoping this unfair deal turns around with the court's help," said Saroj Sinha, another ICSE student.