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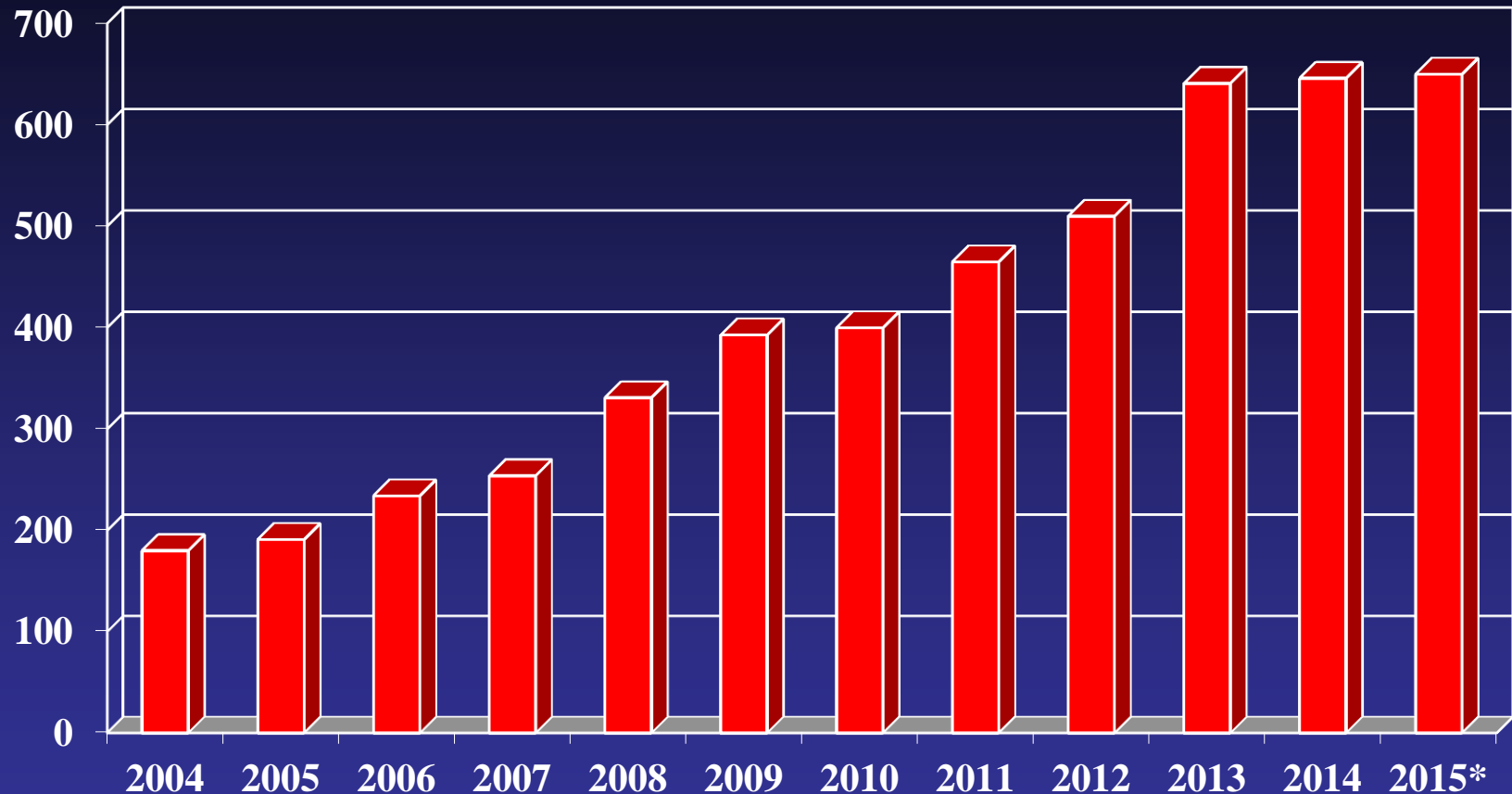
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Editorial Objective:

To develop the quality and international standing of the journal

Results: Submission Numbers



Very strong & sustained growth in submissions
(more than tripled in the past ten years)

* Based on
submissions to
21/05/15

Growth in international submissions

Year	No. of countries submitting to ERE
2007	41
2008	42
2009	49
2010	54
2011	57
2012	70
2013	61
2014	66

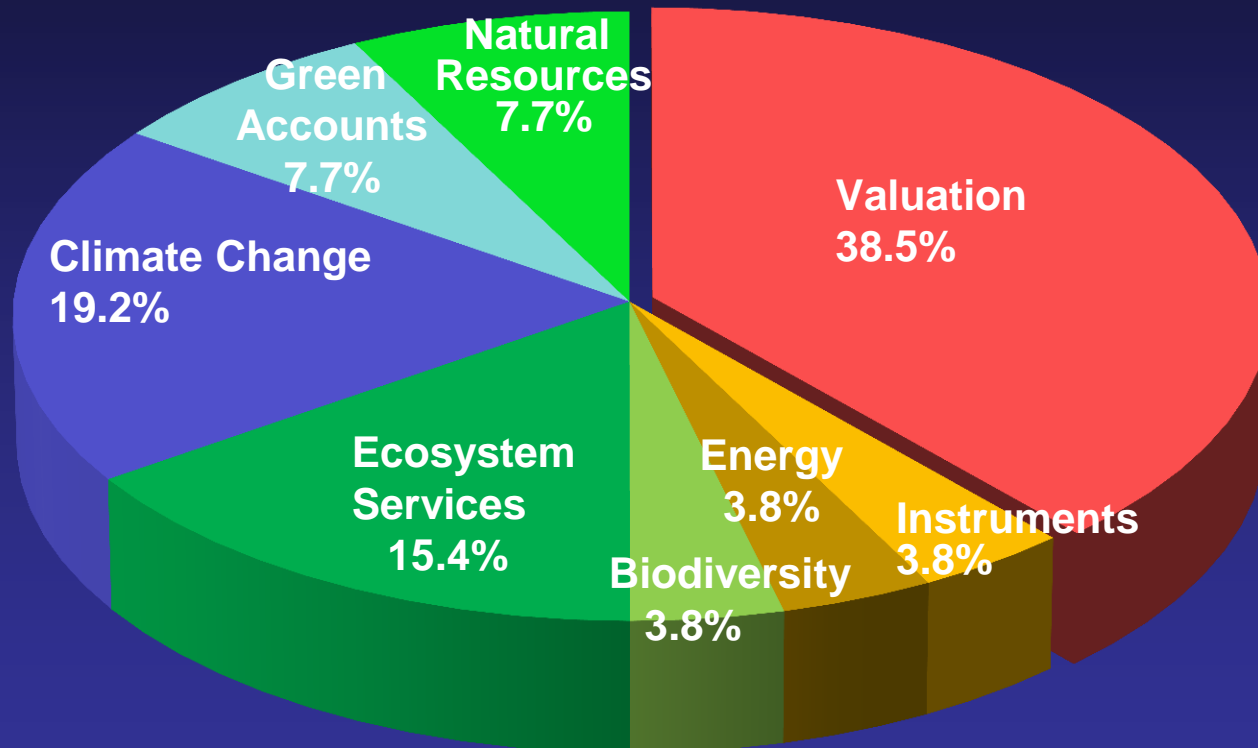
Decision speed *ERE*

Journal Turnaround Time in 2014:

Average time between submission and first decision = 86 days

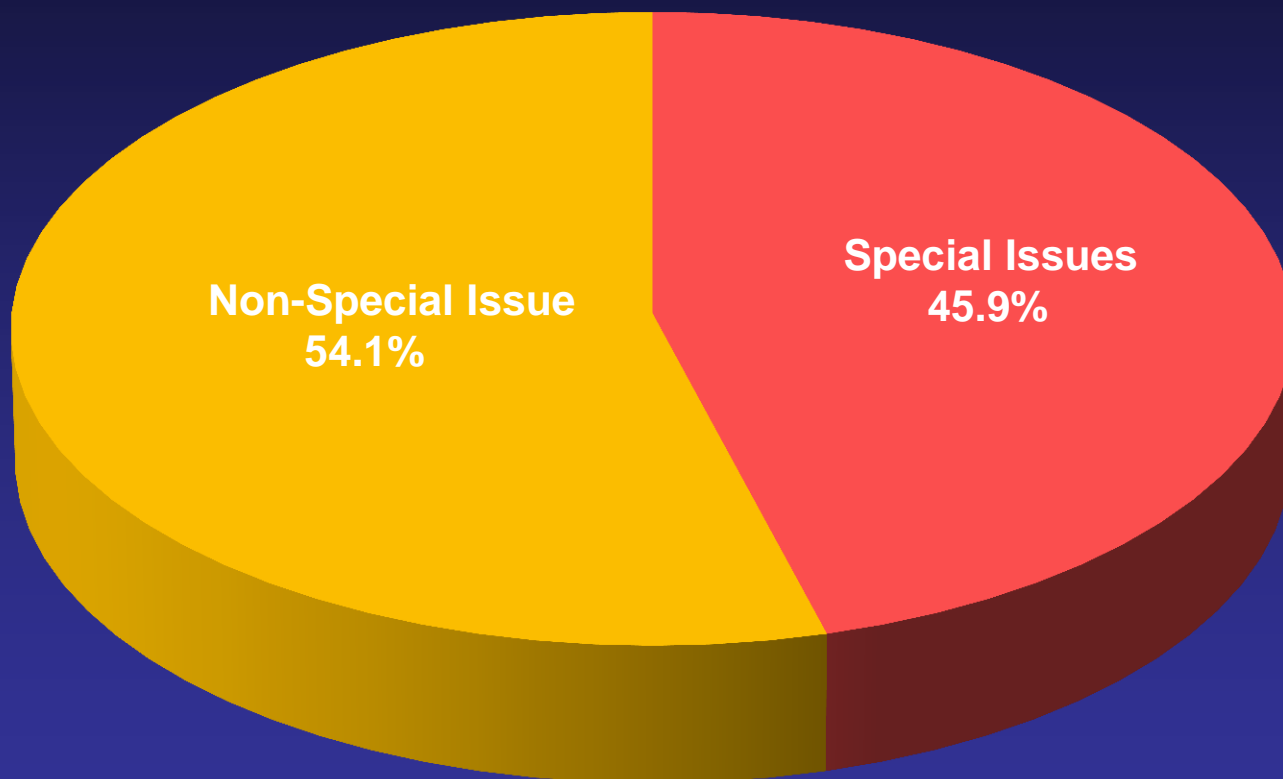
(116 days in 2012)

Most cited articles by subject area (multi-year average)



A more even mix than in the past (when valuation clearly dominated).

Most cited articles by issue type (multi-year average)



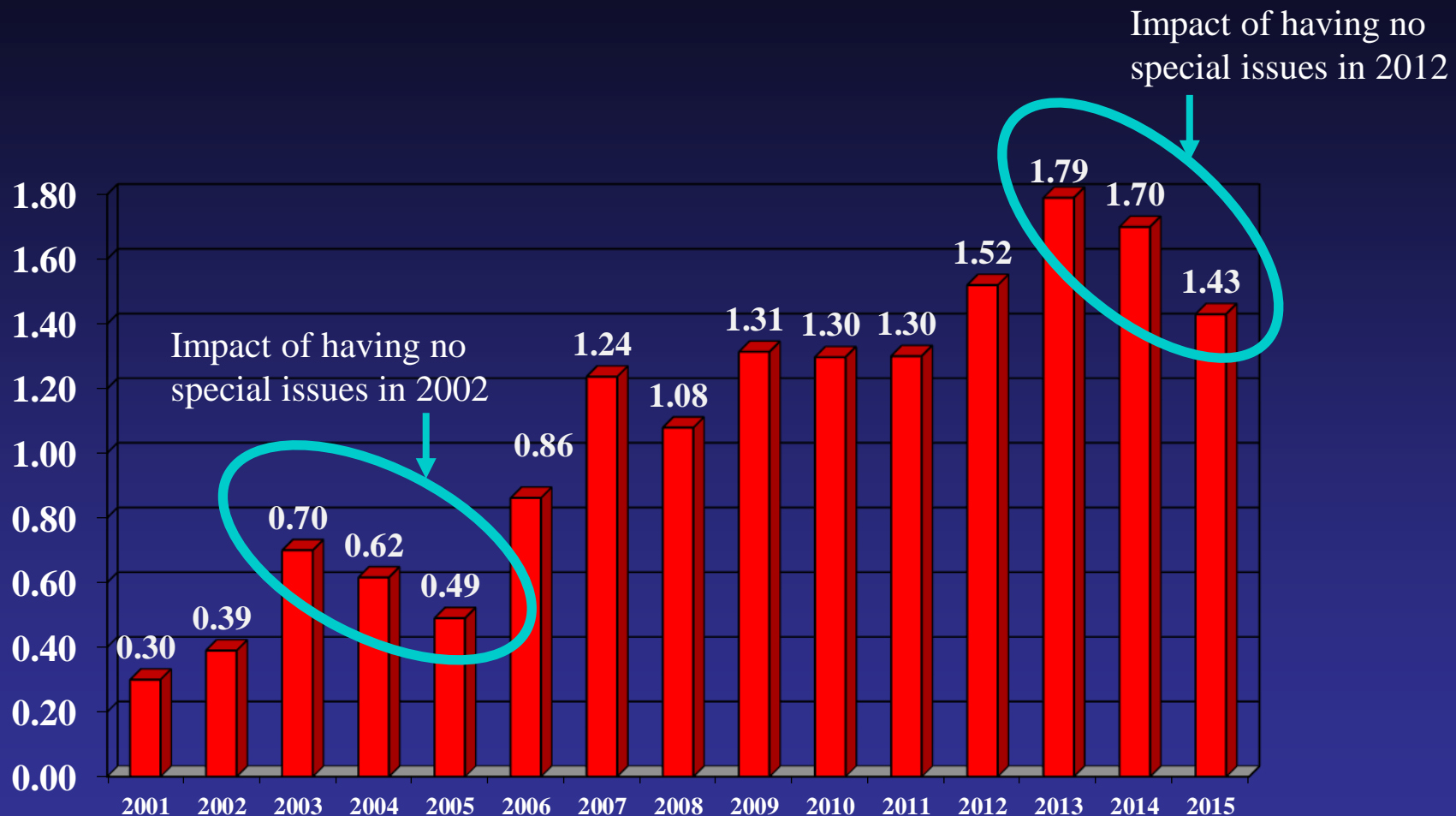
Strong reliance on SIs to generate large percentage of citations

Special Issues, Citations and Impact Factor

$$IF_{2014} = \frac{\text{Cites in 2014 to } ERE \text{ papers published 2012-13}}{\text{Number of } ERE \text{ papers published 2012-13}}$$

- Special Issues form a vital contribution to ERE citations.
- However, in an effort to reduce backlog and improve publication times, no Special Issues were published in 2012.
- This had a somewhat negative impact on last years' ERE Impact Factor (cites in 2013 to papers published in 2011-12) and a larger negative impact on this years' IF.

ISI Impact Factor for *ERE*



2012 will drop out of the calculation in 2016 (IF for 2015) and the IF should improve again

ISI Impact Factor (IF) Comparison

Journal Title	IF 2014	IF 2013
<i>Ecological Economics</i>	2.720	2.517
<i>JEEM</i>	2.394	2.522
<i>Journal of Public Economics</i>	1.581	1.820
<i>Environmental & Resource Economics</i>	1.426	1.703
<i>Land Economics</i>	1.338	1.365
<i>Resource and Energy Economics</i>	1.329	1.404
<i>American Journal of Agricultural Economics</i>	1.327	1.363
<i>Environment and Development Economics</i>	1.169	0.985
<i>Journal of Forest Economics</i>	1.143	1.786
<i>Australian Journal of Agric. & Resource Economics</i>	1.067	1.065
<i>Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics</i>	0.526	0.433

Association of Business Schools' (ABS) Academic Journal Ranking

	2009	2010	2015
ERE	2	2	3
Ecol. Econ.	3	3	3
JEEM	4	4	3

Initiatives to boost citations

- A number of special issues have been commissioned. These are being Guest Edited by leading researchers in the international field and feature a range of superb papers from highly respected authors.
- A small number of papers were directly commissioned from leading international figures including Kenneth Arrow, Rachel Croson, Kirk Hamilton, Jeff Vincent and Ed Barbier

Editorial Board changes 2014-15

Two new Co-Editors have joined the Editorial Board:

- Sheila Olmstead (University of Texas). Climate change, regulation, microeconomic quantitative analyses, policy.
- Michael Burton (University of Western Australia). Valuation and quantitative analyses.

Summary

- ◆ Good and improving throughput speed.
- ◆ Submissions growth has been very strong (tripled in 10 years).
- ◆ Quality measures such as rejection rates are at high levels.
- ◆ Download numbers are strong.
- ◆ Underlying growth in citations.
- ◆ A programme of measures is in place designed to maintain the growth of the journal.

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