

Environmental & Resource Economics

Report to the EAERE General Assembly

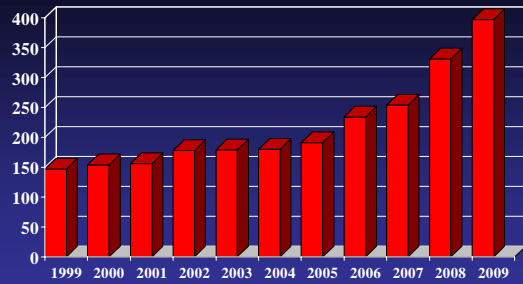
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Results: Submission Numbers



Very strong & sustained growth in submissions
(nearly tripled over period)

2009 figure based upon 176 submissions till June 11, 2009

2008: Manuscripts from 42 countries (highest ever)

Argentina	Iceland	Pakistan
Australia	India	Philippines
Austria	Indonesia	Poland
Belgium	Iran	Portugal
Canada	Israel	Romania
Chile	Italy	Russia
China	Japan	Spain
Czech Rep.	Korea	Sweden
Denmark	Malaysia	Switzerland
Finland	Netherlands	Taiwan
France	New Zealand	Tunisia
Germany	Niger	Turkey
Greece	Norway	UK
Hong Kong	Oman	USA

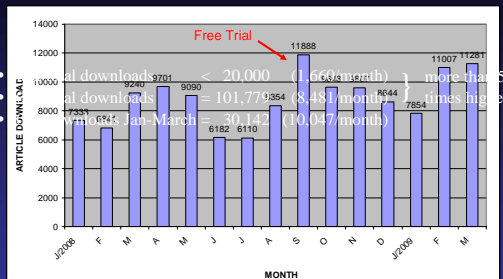
Electronic ERE

- Journal website improved
 - Easier searching & access to back catalogue.
- Electronic submission/editing/review/revision system has:
 - Boosted submissions
 - Substantially reduced throughput time

Journal Turnaround Time:

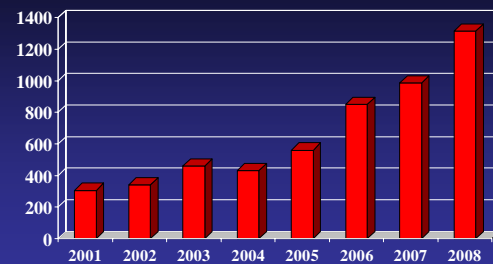
Average time between submission and first decision = 42 days

Download trends



Total cites to all ERE papers each year

Cites in all 2008 journals to ERE papers irrespective of their publication year



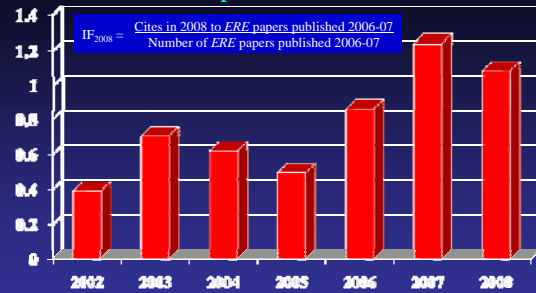
- More than quadrupled over the period.
- Strong recent growth (over 300% since 2004).
- Higher growth than our competitors

ISI Impact Factor 2008

The ISI impact factor for 2008 is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Cites from all journals in 2008 to ERE papers published 2006-07}}{\text{Number of ERE papers published 2006-07}}$$

ISI Impact Factor for ERE



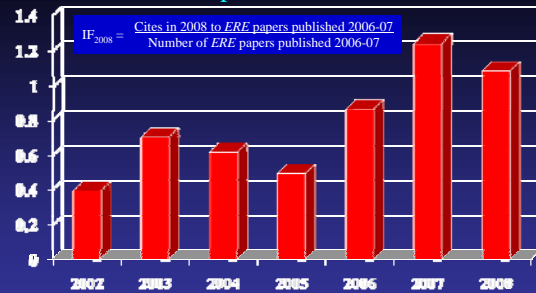
- Although there is a modest decline from last year, the 2008 rate (1.08) is still well over three times higher than when ERE was first listed in 2001 (0.302).
- Furthermore, examining the drivers of the 2008 result suggests that the underlying trend is strongly upward.

ISI Impact Factor for ERE



- In 2007 ERE published 50% more papers than usual.
 - These directly inflate the IF denominator
 - But they have less time to inflate the numerator
 - So the IF experiences a short term fall
- The same thing happened in 2005 when we cleared a large backlog in 2004

ISI Impact Factor for ERE



- Therefore underlying IF growth looks good
- The ISI 5 year impact factor is 1.497 suggesting good long term citation growth.

ISI Impact Factor (IF) Comparison

Journal Title	IF 2008	IF 2007
American Economic Review	2.285	2.239
Ecological Economics	1.912	1.549
JEEM	1.730	1.438
Resource and Energy Economics	1.081	1.050
Environmental & Resource Economics	1.079	1.237
Land Economics	1.028	1.042
Journal of Risk & Uncertainty	1.020	1.122
American Journal of Agricultural Economics	0.967	1.034
Environment and Development Economics	0.811	0.595
Journal of Forest Economics	0.774	0.759
Australian Journal of Agricultural & Resource Economics	0.719	0.635
Agricultural Economics	0.484	0.603
Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics	0.412	0.380

Recent highlights

- Special Issue: "New Frontiers in the Economics of Climate Change" Guest Editors: Simon Dietz (Stern Report author) and David Maddison (Stern Report critic). Authors include: Frank Convery, Ariel Dinar, Reyer Gerlagh, Robert Mendelsohn, Nicholas Stern and Richard Tol.
- Special Issue "The Household, Gender, Children and Environmental Economics" Guest Editor: Alistair Munro. Authors include: Mark Dickie, James Hammitt, David Hensher and Riccardo Scarpa
- Themed Issue: "Advances in the Theory and Practice of Environmental Accounting". Authors include: Sir Partha Dasgupta, Karl-Göran Mäler and Kirk Hamilton.
- Paper from Nobel Laureate Sir Clive Granger and colleagues was solicited. Published March 2009 just before his death in May.

Forthcoming attractions

- Commissioned Special Issues currently ongoing:
 - "Environmental Economics: Perspectives from the Social Sciences" Guest Editors: Henk Folmer and Olof Johansson-Stenman. Authors include: Luc Anselin, Elanor Irwin, Cass Sunstein.
 - "Ecosystem Services" (Running title). Guest Editors: Brendan Fisher, Steve Polasky and Thomas Sterner. Authors include: Andrew Balmford, Ed Barbier, Paul Ferraro, Robin Naidoo and Jim Sanchirico.
- Suggestions for further, high impact special issues are welcomed

Summary

- ◆ The switch to an electronic submission/review/editorial system has greatly improved throughput speed.
- ◆ Submissions growth has been very strong (nearly tripled under present Editorial Board).
- ◆ Strong growth in downloads.
- ◆ Strong underlying growth in total citations and ISI impact factor which has more than tripled since the journal was first listed.
- ◆ A programme of measures is in place designed to maintain the growth of the journal.

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