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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Annual Report covers the operations of *Agricultural Economics* from July 1st, 2017 through June 30th, 2018. Highlights include:

- The number of submitted manuscripts increased last year, with 624 new submissions and 126 resubmissions, for a total inflow of 833 manuscripts. This compares with 606 new submissions and 133 resubmissions in 2016-17.
- The number of papers ultimately accepted was 84 in the past year, a bit higher than the 81 in 2017-18. The one-year rejection rate (based on 553 rejections and 833 new, pending and resubmitted manuscripts) was 66% of all submissions, same as last year. About 18% of initial submissions were returned for revision (a bit lower than the percentage of last year's 19%); some of those papers are eventually rejected and others are subsequently accepted. Based on 833 papers submitted or resubmitted, and 84 papers accepted, the annual acceptance rate stood at 10%, same as last year.
- Strong competition for acceptance in the journal requires that we turn away a large number of high-quality manuscripts in order to maintain reasonably quick throughput and a modest journal backlog.
- We called on a large number of referees during the year, receiving reports from a total of 417 reviewers representing 52 countries.
- The average speed of throughput remained similar to last year. A small number of papers remain in backlog with authors or referees and it remains an editorial goal to keep backlog to a minimum. In line with a shift that began in previous years, and a strategy discussed in past years with the IAAE executive committee, the editorial office continued to rely heavily on "desk rejections." Last year 58% of manuscripts were summarily rejected without being sent to reviewers. On average, summary rejections occurred 4 days after submission (virtually same, on average, as last year's 5 days and the previous year's 5 days), consistent with the management strategy of issuing such decisions within one week of submission. Rejections (after outside review) were rendered in an average of 108 days, one-week faster than last year's 113 days. Decisions to return manuscripts for revision were rendered in an average of 199 days (versus 211 days last year), and ultimate acceptances required a total of 379 days (down from 395 days last year).
- In June 2018, the ISI 2017 Impact Factors were released. The one-

year Impact Factor for *Agricultural Economics* decreased marginally from 1.759 in 2016 to 1.738 in 2017, and leaving it 5th on the list of 17 journals in the Agricultural Economics and Policy category. In terms of overall citations, we ranked third with 2,411 total citations during the period. For 2017, the 5-year JCR impact factor for *Agricultural Economics* increased from 2.009 in 2016 to 2.509 in 2017.

- This is the third annual report presented by Awudu Abdulai and Ashok Mishra as Co-Editors-in-Chief.
- The 2017 “Best Paper” award, our eleventh, goes to Aurelie Harou, Thomas Walker and Christopher Barrett for “Is late really better than never? The farmer welfare effects of pineapple adoption in Ghana”.

We are grateful for the opportunity to have served the IAAE as editors of the journal in the past year, and appreciate the continued support provided by the IAAE Executive Committee, our Associate Editors and the Advisory Board. On behalf of the journal and the association, we offer our sincere thanks to all of the authors and reviewers whose hard work resulted in another successful year for *Agricultural Economics*.



Awudu Abdulai
Co-Editor-in-Chief



Ashok Mishra
Co-Editor-in-Chief

**AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS:
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1. THE EDITORIAL TEAM

The journals' editorial team for 2017-2018 is listed in Table 1. The Advisory Board consists of nine prominent leaders in our discipline, representing a wide range of fields and institutions. There was no change in the composition of the Editorial Advisory Board during the past year.

The Associate Editors are 18 distinguished colleagues, with specializations in particular regions, topics and methods. The Associate Editors are of great help to the journal since they agree to serve as "super reviewers" or to coordinate the review process, as well as judging the annual best paper award.

We do not currently have a book review editor and have not made plans to add one.

2. MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS AND THE REVIEW PROCESS

Between July 1st, 2017 and June 30th, 2018, we handled 833 manuscripts, almost the same as in the previous year. We received 624 new manuscripts, up from 606 in 2016-17, 545 in 2015-16, and 472 in 2014-2015. In addition, 83 manuscripts had action pending from the previous year, and 126 manuscripts were received in revised form (down from 133 last year). This resulted in a total of 833 manuscripts handled during the year (down 7 from 2016-17). The journal continues to handle an average of about 3 manuscripts per working day and to maintain rapid throughput. The co-Editors divide this workload somewhat evenly.

Table 2 provides a detailed breakdown of the manuscript flow under the current manuscript-management system. Of all the manuscripts handled during this year, 10% were accepted, roughly 14% were returned for revision, and 9% are still with referees or authors. Among completed decisions, the rejection rate is 74%. Of these rejections, 54% of all submissions were summarily rejected (i.e. "desk rejected") on first reading by the Editor, and 12% of papers were rejected after outside referee reports were obtained. The fraction of new submissions that were summarily rejected (without review) was 452 out of 624 new submissions (72%). The journal continues to attract a very large number of papers from authors who aspire to publish in an internationally-recognized journal but whose work is not yet ready for publication in *AE*. The goal in issuing "desk rejections" is simply to avoid unnecessary delays for authors and reduce burdens on reviewers and Associate Editors when manuscripts are clearly unsuitable for review, or do not fit the aims and scope of the journal.

Table 3 provides cumulative information on 1,775 submissions received between July 2015 and June 2018, relative to the 1,272 manuscripts

received during the previous six-year (2012-15) editorial window. Our rejection rate among completed decisions is now 91%, higher than the earlier rate (90%); the overall acceptance rate has slightly decreased from 17% to 14% of decisions rendered. About 4% of all manuscripts submitted to us still have action pending by either the authors or referees. Roughly a quarter of new submissions are returned for revision. Some of those are eventually rejected or withdrawn if authors are unable to make the required improvements. In general, we have maintained a roughly similar acceptance rate to the historical rate with a substantially higher number of admissions by aiming for shorter published papers and sometimes using the supplementary issue to publish papers from the regular pool of submissions. In the past year, it was necessary to remove from consideration only one manuscript that had been idle with authors for more than 365 days following a revise and resubmit decision. Thus, the number of submissions withdrawn continued to decline from 8.9% in 2010/2011 to only 0.002% in the most recent year.

Table 4 provides information on manuscript processing speed, i.e. the length of the review process. Average decision times were roughly in line with past years. Summary rejections (rendered without outside reviews) were returned in an average of 5 days after submission (about the same as in the past year). Rejections after outside reviews were rendered in an average of 121 days (about a week slower than last year). Decisions to return manuscripts for revision were rendered in an average of 199 (same as the previous year). Ultimate acceptances required a total of 338 days (down substantially from 379 days last year).

Table 5 breaks down the submitted manuscripts by country of origin. The single largest source of papers continues to be the U.S., from which about one fourth of all manuscripts were submitted in the most recent year.¹ Large fractions come from India, Germany, Australia, and France, each of which accounted for 3-8% of submissions. China's share continues to be high and was 13% in 2017-18, up from about 10.5% in 2015-16.

One important source of drag in throughput is the backlog of papers that remain with authors and the substantial impact of several "outlier" acceptances after very long gestation periods. Overall, the current metrics are somewhat in line with data from previous years. An attempt is made to close the file on papers that have lingered for more than 365 days although, in practice, an author who asks for an extension is usually granted one.

¹ Although the pool of submissions during this period cannot be directly compared to the pool of acceptances during the same period, roughly half of all papers accepted had a corresponding author with a US affiliation and about 7% were from Germany.

3. CITATIONS AND IMPACT

Articles in *Agricultural Economics* continue to be widely cited, and in 2017 our journal was listed as the third most highly cited journal among the seventeen listed in the category Agricultural Economics and Policy. As shown in Table 6 we received a total of 3,036 citations, up from 2,411 in 2016. In recent years, with the move to make more of our articles available “online-early” we have seen a tendency for citations to appear more rapidly following publication. A key to increasing our citation rates has been to make more papers available through this channel.

The JCR 2017 Impact Factors (computed as number of cites in 2017 to papers published in 2015 and 2016 divided by number of papers published in 2015 and 2016) were released in June 2018. The citation impact factor history of the journal which is shown in Figure 1, reveals that the journal’s impact factor decreased only marginally from 1.758 in 2016 to 1.732 in 2017. The good news is that we were able to maintain the high levels achieved in the past two years, compared to previous years. As is evident from Table 5, the journal maintained its fifth position (as last in the previous year) in the ranking among the 17 field journals in Agricultural Economics and Policy category. As in the previous year, some of our competitors (*Food Policy*, *American Journal of Agricultural Economics* and *Journal of Agricultural Economics*) managed to increase their impact factors slightly.

For 2017, the 5-year JCR impact factor for *Agricultural Economics* was 2.562 (up from 2.099 in the previous year), placing it second on the list of 17 journals in the Agricultural Economics and Policy category. Table 6 lists the top 10 cited papers in the 2017 Impact Factor period. The Table shows that averages tend to disguise differences in the behavior of contributing articles. In particular, it is evident from the Table that the Impact Factor score is quite reliant on the inclusion of a few highly-cited articles.

4. SPECIAL ISSUES

A fraction of the journal is devoted to special issues of various kinds, the content of which merits particular attention. We publish six issues per year, and in some years an annual supplement.

After each triennial conference of the IAAE, the supplement is used for plenary papers and other conference proceedings. These had previously been published separately as the IAAE’s Blue Book. Post-conference years previously used two of the six regular issues for a double issue of contributed papers from the conference. The 2017 supplement was used to publish a special issue on “The structural transformation of African agriculture and rural spaces”, which was guest edited by Christopher Barrett of Cornell University, Paul Christian and Bekele Shiferaw, both from the World Bank Group.

5. THE BEST PAPER AWARD

- The first annual award for the best paper published in *Agricultural Economics* was introduced in 2008. The first such prize was awarded at the IAAE meetings in Beijing to David Stifel and Bart Minten for their article "Isolation and Agricultural Productivity." The best paper selected from 2013, our sixth "Best Paper" award, was "Capturing zero-trade values in gravity equations of trade: an analysis of protectionism in agro-food sectors" by Philippidis, Helena Resano-Ezcaray and Ana Sanjuan-Lopez. Plaques were generously provided by Wiley-Blackwell and presented to the authors. The best paper selected from 2014, our seventh "Best Paper" was "Did The Commodity Price Spike Increase Rural Poverty? Evidence from a Long-Run Panel in Bangladesh" by Joseph V. Balagtas, Humnath Bhandari, Ellanie R. Cabrera, Samarendu Mohanty and Mahabub Hossain. Plaques were presented to the authors in August 2015 at the IAAE conference in Milan. The best paper selected from 2015, our ninth, was "Is there a slowdown in agricultural productivity growth in South America?" by Federico Trindade and Lilyan Fulginiti. Plaques were presented to the authors in August 2016 at the AAEA conference in Boston. The best paper selected from 2016, our tenth, was "Consumer sorting and hedonic valuation of wine attribute: Exploiting data from a field experiment" by Christopher Gustafson, Travis Lybbert and Dan Sumner. Plaques were presented to the authors in August 2017 at the AAEA conference in Chicago.
- The 2017 "Best Paper" award, our eleventh, goes to Aurelie Harou, Thomas Walker and Christopher Barrett for "Is late really better than never? The farmer welfare effects of pineapple adoption in Ghana". Plaques will be presented to the award winners at the IAAE conference in Vancouver.

6. JOURNAL PUBLICATION AND MARKETING

The successful negotiation that the IAAE concluded in 2016 with Wiley-Blackwell is still in force. Given our positive recent history with Wiley-Blackwell, we believe this renewal serves the journal well. Wiley-Blackwell continues to provide excellent service in terms of both production and marketing. Blackwell's merger with Wiley was handled well, with a smooth transition of the production office to Singapore. The marketing staff remains in Massachusetts. Communication with the publisher remains very smooth. After working with Kathryn Chaloux (Kate) for several years, Kimberly Pavlovich briefly took over from Kate at the beginning of the year, before handing over to Amanda Amen, who is now the assistant editor in charge of the journal at Wiley.

7. CONCLUSIONS

This annual report would not be complete without conveying our sincere thanks to the IAAE Executive Committee for their support and advice, to the journal's Associate Editors and Advisory Board for their guidance, and most of all to the authors and reviewers whose hard work is visible every day in the pages of *Agricultural Economics*. We appreciate the opportunity to have served the Association in the past year as Editors.

TABLE 1: EDITORIAL TEAM FOR *AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS*, 2017- 2018

Co-Editors

Awudu Abdulai, University of Kiel, Germany (2012-2018)

Ashok Mishra, Arizona State University (2015-2018)

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Agnes Quisumbing, IFPRI, Philippines

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Xiaohua Yu, University of Göttingen, Germany

TABLE 2: SUBMISSIONS & MANUSCRIPT DISPOSITION, 2014-2018

Status	07/01/14 to 30/06/15		07/01/15 to 6/30/16		07/01/16 to 6/30/17		07/01/17 to 6/30/18	
Action pending at start of year	72		66		101		83	
New submissions	472		545		606		624	
Resubmissions	147		166		133		126	
Total manuscripts handled	691		777		840		833	
Accepted	88	14%	87	11%	81	10%	84	10%
Summarily Rejected	262	37.9%	305	39.2%	412	49.2%	452	54.3%
Rejected	132	19.1%	135	19.1%	144	17.1%	102	12.2%
Returned for Revision	136	19.7%	140	18%	113	13.4%	114	13.7%
Withdrawn or unclassified	8	0.1%	5	0.01%	2	0.002%	2	0.002%
Action pending at end of year	63	9.19%	98	12.6%	83	9.9%	79	9.5%
Rejection rate*	63%		62%		75%		74%	

* Rejection rate refers only to completed decisions, computed as rejections/(total manuscripts – action pending).

TABLE 3: STATUS OF ALL MANUSCRIPTS SUBMITTED SINCE JULY 1ST, 2012

Status	Submissions between July 2012 and June 2015		Submissions between July 2015 and June 2018	
Submissions	1272		1775	
Accepted	221	17%	251	14%
Rejected	1022	80%	1550	87%
Withdrawn or closed ¹	21	1.6%	6	0.3%
Action pending ²	66	5.2%	79	4%
Rejection rate ³	85%		91%	

¹ Authors have not responded to an invitation to revise their manuscript, so the file has been closed.

² Manuscript is either with referees or the Editors, or in revision.

³ Rejection rate refers only to completed decisions, computed as rejections/(submissions – action pending).

TABLE 4: MANUSCRIPT PROCESSING SPEED (CALENDAR DAYS)

Among decisions rendered during the year: ¹	2015-16			2016-17			2017-18		
	Mean	Std	N	Mean	Std	N	Mean	Std	N
Returned for revision	211	131	139	199	129	113	199	183	114
Accept decision (including conditional accepts)	395	168	88	379	133	85	338	112	84
Summary Reject decision (no referees consulted)	5	5	304	6	4	350	5	3	375
Summary Reject decision (referees consulted)	5	0	1	6	4	62	6	5	77
Reject decision (following peer review)	113	74	135	108	74	144	121	92	102

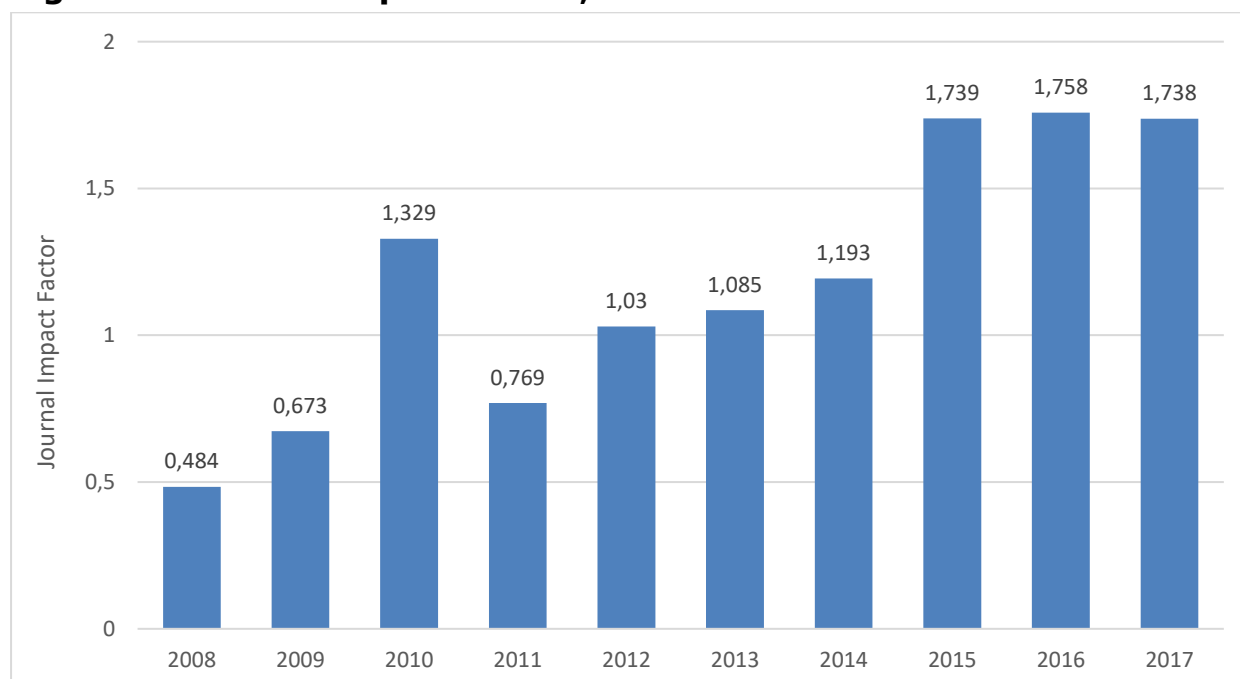
¹ Times shown are from date of initial submission.

TABLE 5: IMPACT FACTOR OF TOP TEN JOURNALS IN THE FIELD OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY FOR 2017

Journal	Rank	Impact Factor	Total Cites
Food Policy	1	3.111	5,016
American Journal of Agricultural Economics	2	2.457	7088
Annual Review of Resource Economics	3	2.022	507
Journal of Agricultural Economics	4	2.000	1,717
Agricultural Economics	5	1.732	3,036
European Review of Agricultural Economics	6	1.667	1,290
Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics	7	1.486	937
Applied Economic Perspective and Policy	8	1.246	540
Agribusiness	9	1.147	635
Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics	10	1.094	911

Source: JCR (2018)

Figure 1: Journal Impact Factor, 2008-2017



SOURCE: DERIVED FROM JCR DATA, 2018

TABLE 6: AE ARTICLE TOP-CITED PAPERS, PUBLISHED IN 2015 & 2016

Title	Lead Author	Type	Year	Issue	IF Citations
Social capital, risk preference and adoption of improved farm land management practices in Ethiopia	WOSSEN, T	Article	2015	1	11
Decomposition of gender differentials in agricultural productivity in Ethiopia	AGUILAR, A	Article	2015	3	10
Explaining gender differentials in agricultural production in Nigeria	OSENI, G	Article	2015	3	7
Gender differences in agricultural productivity: the case of Tanzania	SLAVCHEVS KA, V	Article	2015	3	6
Market interdependence and volatility transmission among major crops	HERNANDEZ , M	Article	2016	2	6
Gender inequalities in ownership and control of land in Africa: myth and reality	PETERMAN, A	Article	2015	3	5
Consumer preferences for organic production methods and origin promotions on ornamental plants: evidence from eye-tracking experiments	KHACHATRY AN, H	Article	2016	6	5
Modeling skewness with the linear stochastic plateau model to determine optimal nitrogen rates	BROSEN, B	Article	2015	1	4
Gender and agriculture in sub-Saharan Africa: introduction to the special issue	KILIC, T	Article	2015	3	4
Food security as resilience: reconciling definition and measurement	BARRETT, C	Article	2016		4
Chinese consumers' willingness to pay for pork traceability information-the case of Wuxi	WU, L	Article	2016	1	4
Market imperfections, access to information and technology adoption in Uganda: challenges of overcoming multiple constraints	SHIFERAW, B	Article	2015	4	4

Source: Wiley (2018), JCR Bibliometrics Report 2017

TABLE 7: AUTHORS AND SUBMITTERS BY COUNTRY, 2014-2018[†]

Country	Corresponding authors (one/paper)							
	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
Afghanistan			1	0.18				
Albania			1	0.18				
Algeria							6	0.80
Argentina	2	0.41	1	0.18	2	0.27	1	0.13
Armenia			2	0.35				
Australia	27	5.56	24	4.26	25	3.39	15	2.00
Austria							2	0.27
Azerbaijan			1	0.18			1	0.13
Bangladesh	3	0.62	5	0.89	4	0.54	10	1.33
Belgium	4	0.82	3	0.53	9	1.22	6	0.80
Benin			6	1.06			5	0.67
Botswana								
Brazil	6	1.23	9	1.6%	15	2.03	17	2.27
Burkina	3	0.62	1	0.18	5	0.68	2	0.27
Cameroon	1	0.21	3	0.53	3	0.14	2	0.27
Canada	6	1.23	7	1.24	12	1.63	6	0.80
Chile	3	0.62	7	1.24	2	0.27	1	0.13
China	66	13.5	64	11.3	78	10.5	95	12.6
Christmas			1	0.18				
Colombia					7	0.95	1	0.13
Congo	1	0.21			1	0.14		
Cote			1	0.18			2	0.27
Cyprus			1	0.18				
Czech Rep.	3	0.62					2	0.27
Denmark	6	1.23	4	0.71	7	0.95	7	0.93
Ecuador			4	0.71			1	0.13
Egypt	7	1.44	1	0.18	3	0.41	5	0.67
Ethiopia	5	1.03	14	2.48	31	4.2	12	1.60
FIJI							1	0.13
Finland	1	0.21	2	0.35	2	0.27	6	0.80
France	10	2.06	13	2.3%	11	1.49	10	1.33
French					1	0.14		
Gabon	1	0.21						
Georgia	2	0.41						
Germany	23	4.73	34	6.03	56	7.59	48	6.40
Ghana	7	1.44	5	0.89	13	1.76	13	1.73

Country	Corresponding authors (one/paper)							
	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
Greece	4	0.82	6	1.06	4	0.54	2	0.27
Greenland	1	0.21						
Hong Kong	2	0.41					1	0.13
Hungary			2	0.35	6	0.81	3	0.40
Iceland							1	0.13
India	43	8.85	38	6.74	40	5.42	44	5.87
Indonesia	1	0.21			5	0.68	3	0.40
Iran	23	4.73	18	3.19	16	2.17	12	1.60
Ireland	4	0.82	1	0.18	3	0.41		
Israel					1	0.14		
Italy	15	3.09	16	2.84	19	2.57	27	3.60
Japan	6	1.23	6	1.06	11	1.49	15	2.00
Jordan	1	0.21	1	0.18				
Kazakhstan			2	0.35	1	0.14	2	0.27
Kenya	2	0.41	8	1.42	2	0.27	2	0.27
Korea			2	0.35	5	0.68	7	0.93
Kyrgyzstan					1	0.14		
Lebanon							1	0.13
Lithuania							1	0.13
Macao							3	0.40
Macedonia								
Malawi	3	0.62	5	0.89	8	1.08	2	0.27
Malaysia			8	1.42	2	0.27	4	0.53
Mali							3	0.40
Mexico	2	0.41	3	0.53	7	0.95	5	0.67
Morocco			1	0.18				
Nepal	1	0.21			3	0.41	1	0.13
Netherlands	4	0.82	3	0.53	6	0.81	11	1.47
New	2	0.41	4	0.71	5	0.68	5	0.67
Nigeria	7	1.44	11	1.95	12	1.63	10	1.33
Norway	3	0.62	4	0.71	4	0.54	10	1.33
Oman							1	0.13
Pakistan	12	2.47	7	1.24	8	1.08	11	1.47
Panama							1	0.13
Peru					2	0.27		
Philippines	1	0.21	1	0.18	7	0.95	3	0.40
Poland	1	0.21	5	0.89	3	0.41	8	1.07
Portugal	3	0.62	3	0.53	4	0.54	1	0.13

Corresponding authors (one/paper)								
Country	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
Qatar					1	0.14	1	0.13
Reunion	1	0.21						
Romania	3	0.62	1	0.18	2	0.27	1	0.13
Russia	1	0.21	4	0.71	2	0.27	4	0.53
Saudi	1	0.21	3	0.53				
Senegal			3	0.53	5	0.68	2	0.27
Serbia	2	0.41	7	1.24	1	0.14	3	0.40
Slovakia							1	0.13
Slovenia	1	0.21						
South	5	0.81	7	1.24	8	1.08	7	0.93
Spain	13	2.67	10	1.77	16	2.17	19	2.53
Sri Lanka			1	0.18	1	0.14	2	0.27
Sudan					1	0.14	1	0.13
Sweden			5	0.89	3	0.41	3	0.40
Switzerland	3	0.62	4	0.71	7	0.95	2	0.27
Taiwan	3	0.62	9	1.6%	6	0.81	3	0.40
Tanzania	2	0.41	2	0.35	1	0.14	3	0.40
Thailand	4	0.82	3	0.53	4	0.54	1	0.13
Togo			2	0.35	1	0.14	1	0.13
Trinidad			1	0.18				
Tunisia	4	0.82	3	0.53	4	0.54	5	0.67
Turkey	4	0.82	8	1.42	12	1.63	11	1.47
Uganda	3	0.62	3	0.53	3	0.41	3	0.40
United			1	0.18				
Ukraine					2	0.27	1	0.13
UK	7	1.44	9	1.6%	17	2.3	13	1.73
Uruguay	1	0.21	1	0.18				
USA	93	19.1	102	18.0	160	21.6	181	24.1
Uzbekistan			1	0.18				
Vietnam			1	0.18	5	0.68	2	0.27
Zambia			1	0.18	1	0.14	2	0.27
Zimbabwe			1	0.18	3	0.41	1	0.13
Total	486	100%	564	100%	738	100%	750	100%

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