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AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS: **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EDITORS, JULY 2014**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Annual Report covers the operations of *Agricultural Economics* from July 1st, 2013 through June 30th, 2014. Highlights include:

- The number of submitted manuscripts increased 21 per cent last year, with 423 new submissions and 127 resubmissions, for a total inflow of 550 manuscripts. This compares with 456 submissions last year and 440 submissions in 2011-12.
- The number of papers ultimately accepted was 63 last year, down from 72 in 2012-13, but on par with 57 in 2011-12. The one-year rejection rate (based on 351 rejections and 631 new, pending and resubmitted manuscripts) was 56% of all submissions. This compares with 53% last year. About 22% of initial submissions were returned for revision (up slightly from last year's 19%); some of those papers are eventually rejected and others are subsequently accepted. Based on 550 papers submitted or resubmitted, and 63 papers accepted or conditionally accepted, the annual acceptance rate stood at 11%, down from 14% and 12% in the prior two years. Over the seven-year window since the start of the current editorship beginning in 2006, the overall acceptance rate stands at roughly 14% of decisions rendered, down from 21% in the 2000-2006 period.
- 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 415 reviewers representing 46 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 46% of manuscripts were summarily rejected without being sent to reviewers (compared with 48% in the previous year). On average, summary rejections occurred 5 days after submission (the same pace, on average, as last year, and somewhat faster than 6 days and 9 days in previous years). This performance is 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 slower than last year's 101 days. Decisions to return manuscripts for revision were rendered in an average of 192 days (versus 138 days last year), and ultimate acceptances required a total of 335 days.
- In July 2014 the ISI 2013 Impact Factors were released. The one-year Impact Factor for *Agricultural Economics* increased between 2012 and 2013, to 1.09, above last year but still below our best showing (in 2010, of 1.38). In 2010 the journal was ranked number two in the

Agricultural Economics and Policy category, slightly behind *Food Policy* and ahead of the *AJAE*. For 2013, the 5-year JCR impact factor for *Agricultural Economics* was 1.67, placing it 5th on the list of 16 journals in the Agricultural Economics and Policy category, up two notches from last year's 7th-place ranking. In terms of overall citations, we ranked 3rd (the same as last year) with 1,500 total cites during the period.

- This is the second annual report presented by Gerald Shively and Awudu Abdulai as Co-Editors-in-Chief. Awudu joined the journal in July 2012. Gerald Shively will complete his 9-year tenure as Co-Editor in the coming year.
- The 2013 "Best Paper" award, our sixth, goes to George Philippidis, Helena Resano-Ezcaray and Ana Sanjuan-Lopez for "Capturing zero-trade values in gravity equations of trade: an analysis of protectionism in agro-food sectors."

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*.



Gerald E. Shively
Co-Editor-in-Chief



Awudu Abdulai
Co-Editor-in-Chief

AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS: **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EDITORS, JULY 2014**

1. THE EDITORIAL TEAM

The journals' editorial team for 2013-2014 is listed in Table 1. The Advisory Board consists of ten 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 20 distinguished colleagues, with specializations in particular regions, topics and methods. Approximately half of the journal's twenty Associate Editors rotated off the journal in 2012-13, with replacements added. No changes in the composition of the Associate Editors occurred during the past year. The Associate Editors are of great help to the journal since they agree to serve as "super reviewers" or to coordinate the review process.

We do not currently have a book review editor and have not made plans to add one. We received two unsolicited requests to review books in the past year and published one book review.

2. MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS AND THE REVIEW PROCESS

Between July 1st, 2013 and June 30th, 2014, we handled 631 manuscripts, an increase of 21 percent over the previous year. We received 423 new manuscripts, up from 377 in 2012-13, 353 in 2011-12 and 302 in 2010-2011. This is nearly double the number of papers handled in 2007-08. In addition, 81 manuscripts had action pending from the previous year, and 127 manuscripts were received in revised form (up substantially from 79 last year). The journal now handles an average of about 2.5 manuscripts per working day. 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, roughly 10% were accepted, 19% were returned for revision, and 11% were still with referees or authors. Among completed decisions, the rejection rate is 63%. Approximately 31% of all submissions were summarily rejected (i.e. "desk rejected") on first reading by the Editor, and 25% of papers were rejected after outside referee reports were obtained. The fraction of new submissions that were summarily rejected (without review) was about the same as last year, namely 193 out of 423 new submissions (46%). 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 all 2,587 submissions received since Shively took over as Editor-in-Chief in July 2006 (with Masters, through 2010 and subsequently with Abdulai, starting in 2012), relative to the 956

manuscripts received during the previous six-year (2000-06) editorial window. Our rejection rate among completed decisions is now 70%, slightly lower than the earlier rate; the overall acceptance rate stands approximately at the same level of 19% of decisions rendered. About 3% 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, sometimes using the supplementary issue to publish papers from the regular pool of submissions, and adding additional pages (in the most recent year). In the past year it was necessary to remove from consideration 17 manuscripts that had been idle with authors for more than 365 days following a revise and resubmit decision.

Table 4 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 fifth of all manuscripts were submitted in the most recent year.¹ Large fractions come from Australia, China, Germany, India and Spain, each of which accounted for 5-10% of submissions. China's share continues to rise and was 11% in 2013-14.

Table 5 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 (the same, on average, as last year). Rejections after outside reviews were rendered in an average of 108 days (one week slower, on average, than last year). Decisions to return manuscripts for revision were rendered in an average of 192 days, up from 138 days last year. Ultimate acceptances required a total of 335 days on average, (up from last year, largely due to a few outliers).

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.

Table 6 contains a list of all referees whose reviews were received between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014. We called on a large number of referees, receiving reports from a total of 415 reviewers (a substantially larger pool than last year's 333 referees, in part because of the larger pool of submissions that were sent for review). This pool represents a total of 46 countries, roughly in line with the past. On behalf of the authors and readers

¹ Although the pool of submissions during this period cannot be directly compared to the pool of acceptances during the same period, regional submission and acceptance rates were roughly as follows. Asia: 26% of submissions and 5% of acceptances; Australia and New Zealand: 4% of submissions and <1% of acceptances; Europe: 31% of submissions and 40% of acceptances; North Africa and Middle East: 4% of submissions and <1% of acceptances; North America: 23% of submissions and 41% of acceptances; South America: <1% of submissions and 2% of acceptances; Sub-Saharan Africa: 11% of submissions and 5% of acceptances.

of *Agricultural Economics*, we are very grateful to our colleagues for their otherwise anonymous contributions to our discipline.

3. SPECIAL ISSUES AND THE “BLUE BOOK”

A substantial 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, plus 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 also use two of the six regular issues for a double issue of contributed papers from the conference.

In 2011 and 2012 the Volume 42 and Volume 43 supplements were used to publish regular submissions that were in the publication pipeline, thereby increasing journal throughput.

The 2013 conference proceedings issue was guest edited by Alfons Weersink and Jo Swinnen and contains a selection of 17 contributed papers from the IAAE Brazil conference. The “Blue Book” supplement, edited by Jo Swinnen and Olivia Reira, appeared in November 2013. It contains 18 plenary papers from the Brazil conference, including the keynote papers.

4. THE BEST PAPER AWARD

In 2008 we introduced the first annual award for the best paper published in *Agricultural Economics*. 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, is “Capturing zero-trade values in gravity equations of trade: an analysis of protectionism in agro-food sectors” by George Philippidis, Helena Resano-Ezcaray and Ana Sanjuan-Lopez. Plaques (generously provided by Wiley-Blackwell) will be presented to the authors in August 2014 at the EAAE meeting in Slovenia.

5. JOURNAL FINANCES AND EDITORIAL OFFICE EXPENDITURES

Table 7 provides a breakdown of revenue and expenditures for the journal’s editorial office for the period of 2008-2014. The overall journal budget has fallen as the institutional portion is no longer allocated. Starting this past year the Association began to cover the cost of web-based management software and travel directly. As a result, these amounts no longer appear in the editors’ budget.

6. JOURNAL PUBLICATION AND MARKETING

In 2009 the IAAE concluded a successful negotiation for a new Wiley-Blackwell contract. Given our positive recent history with Wiley-Blackwell, we believe this renewal serves the journal well. Thus far, Wiley-Blackwell has provided 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. A new Production Editor was assigned to the journal in the past year (the third year in a row such turnover occurred). Communication with the publisher remains smooth.

7. CITATIONS AND IMPACT

Articles in *Agricultural Economics* continue to be widely cited, and in 2013-14 our journal was listed as the third most highly cited journal among the sixteen listed in the category Agricultural Economics and Policy. We received a total of 1,500 citations. 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 2010 Impact Factors were released in July 2011, and we were then pleased to announce that *Agricultural Economics* doubled its Impact Factor from 2009 to 2010 and enjoyed an Impact Factor of 1.329. During 2010 we were ranked number two in Agricultural Economics (just behind *Food Policy* and just ahead of the *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*). In July 2014 the ISI 2013 Impact Factors were released. The one-year Impact Factor for *Agricultural Economics* increased between 2012 and 2013 to 1.08 (compared with 1.01 in 2012 and 1.38 in 2010). For 2012, the 5-year JCR impact factor for *Agricultural Economics* was 1.67 (up from 1.51 in the previous year), placing it 5th on the list of 16 journals in the Agricultural Economics and Policy category, up two notches from last year's 7th-place ranking. Table 8 lists the 10 most frequently cited *Agricultural Economics*.

8. 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*, 2013- 2014

Co-Editors

Gerald Shively, Purdue University, USA (2007-2013)
Awudu Abdulai, University of Kiel, Germany (2012-2013)

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Steven Helfand, University of California-Riverside, USA
Roland Herrmann, University of Giessen, Germany
Michael Johnson, IFPRI, USA
Kaliappa Kalirajan, GRIPS-FASID, Japan
Girma Kassie, CIMMYT, Zimbabwe
Antonio Yunez-Naude, Colegio de Mexico, Mexico
Agnes Quisumbing, IFPRI, Philippines
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**TABLE 2:
SUBMISSIONS & MANUSCRIPT DISPOSITION, 2007-2014**

Status	07/01/07 to 06/30/08		07/01/08 to 06/30/09		07/01/09 to 06/30/10		07/01/10 to 06/30/11		07/01/11 to 6/30/12		07/01/12 to 6/30/13		07/01/13 to 6/30/14	
Action pending at start of year	63		90		88		108		60		65		81	
New submissions	293		336		319		302		353		377		423	
Resubmissions	64		95		95		120		87		79		127	
Total manuscripts handled	420		521		502		530		500		521		631	
Accepted	54	12.9%	98	18.8%	87	17.3%	72	13.6%	57	11.4%	72	13.8%	63	10.0%
Summarily Rejected	108	25.7%	74	14.2%	99	19.7%	125	23.6%	176	35.2%	180	34.5%	193	30.6%
Rejected	104	24.8%	180	34.5%	121	24.1%	110	20.8%	106	21.2%	97	18.6%	158	25.0%
Returned for Revision	58	13.8%	77	14.8%	76	15.1%	116	21.9%	82	16.4%	87	16.7%	121	19.2%
Withdrawn or unclassified	6	1.4%	4	0.8%	11	2.2%	46	8.7%	14	2.8%	3	0.6%	17	2.6%
Action pending at end of year	90	21.4%	88	16.9%	108	21.5%	60	11.3%	65	13.0%	81	15.5%	71	11.3%
Rejection rate*	64%		59%		56%		50%		65%		63%		63%	
* Note this computed rejection rate refers only to completed decisions, defined as (rejections)/(total manuscripts – action pending).														

TABLE 3:
STATUS OF ALL MANUSCRIPTS SUBMITTED SINCE SEPT 1ST, 2000

Status	Submissions between Sept. 2000 and June 2006		Submissions between July 2006 and June 2014	
Submissions	956		2587	
Accepted	198	21%	499	19%
Rejected	635	66%	1737	73%
Withdrawn or closed ¹	26	3%	101	4%
Action pending ²	97	10%	81	3%
Rejection rate ³	74%		70%	

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:
AUTHORS AND SUBMITTERS BY COUNTRY, 2007-2014[†]**

Country	Corresponding authors (one/paper)													
	2007-08		2008-09		2009-10		2010-11		2011-12		2012-13		2013-14	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	No.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
Albania									1	0.25%	1	0.25%		
Algeria					2	0.56%								
Argentina	1	0.30%			1	0.28%			1	0.25%	2	0.49%		
Australia	11	3.40%	6	1.62%	22	6.18%	12	3.66%	5	1.26%	15	3.68%	13	2.94%
Austria			2	0.54%	1	0.28%	2	0.61%	4	1.01%	4	0.98%	3	0.68%
Azerbaijan							1	0.30%	2	0.50%			1	0.23%
Bangladesh	1	0.30%					1	0.30%	1	0.25%	1	0.25%	1	0.23%
Barbados	1	0.30%												
Belgium	3	0.90%	6	1.62%	2	0.56%	4	1.22%	4	1.01%	3	0.74%	5	1.13%
Benin	1	0.30%	1	0.27%	2	0.56%					3	0.74%	2	0.45%
Bolivia														
Bosnia-Herz.														
Botswana									1	0.25%				
Brazil	9	2.80%	6	1.62%	4	1.12%	8	2.44%	3	0.76%	8	1.96%		
Bulgaria														
Burkina Faso							1	0.30%						
Burundi					1	0.28%								
Cameroon	2	0.60%					1	0.30%					4	0.90%
Canada	9	2.80%	10	2.70%	9	2.53%	4	1.22%	6	1.51%	6	1.47%	5	1.13%

Country	Corresponding authors (one/paper)													
	2007-08		2008-09		2009-10		2010-11		2011-12		2012-13		2013-14	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	No.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
Chile							1	0.30%					1	0.23%
China	11	3.40%	13	3.51%	22	6.18%	14	4.27%	36	8.81%	44	10.78%	48	10.9%
Colombia					1	0.28%	1	0.30%	1	0.25%			1	0.23%
Costa Rica														
Cote d'Ivoire			1	0.27%										
Croatia	1	0.30%												
Cyprus														
Czech Rep.	1	0.30%					1	0.30%					2	0.45%
Denmark	1	0.30%	3	0.81%			2	0.61%	4	1.01%	6	1.47%	2	0.45%
Ecuador									1	0.25%				
Egypt	3	0.90%	2	0.54%	4	1.12%			2	0.50%				
Estonia														
Ethiopia	5	1.50%	5	1.35%	8	2.25%	3	0.91%	11	2.77%	4	0.98%	8	1.81%
Fiji														
Finland	3	0.90%			3	0.84%			1	0.25%	2	0.49%	2	0.45%
France	10	3.10%	9	2.43%	6	1.69%	15	4.57%	13	3.27%	9	2.21%	18	4.07%
Gambia														
Georgia							1	0.30%						
Germany	16	4.90%	21	5.68%	21	5.90%	22	6.71%	33	8.31%	27	6.62%	28	6.33%
Ghana	1	0.30%	2	0.54%	1	0.28%			4	1.01%	2	0.49%	4	0.90%
Greece	5	1.50%	6	1.62%	2	0.56%	4	1.22%	5	1.26%	3	0.74%	2	0.45%
Honduras														

Country	Corresponding authors (one/paper)													
	2007-08		2008-09		2009-10		2010-11		2011-12		2012-13		2013-14	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	No.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
Hungary	1	0.30%	2	0.54%	1	0.28%			3	0.76%	2	0.49%	1	0.23%
Iceland									1	0.25%				
India	10	3.10%	20	5.41%	17	4.78%	20	6.10%	18	4.53%	35	8.58%	30	6.79%
Indonesia					1	0.28%					2	0.49%	1	0.23%
Iran	12	3.70%	11	2.97%	4	1.12%	10	3.05%	7	1.76%	8	1.96%	10	2.26%
Ireland							1	0.30%			4	0.98%	1	0.23%
Israel	3	0.90%	1	0.27%	2	0.56%					1	0.25%		
Italy	7	2.10%	17	4.59%	8	2.25%	6	1.83%	10	2.52%	12	2.94%	15	3.39%
Japan	10	3.10%	5	1.35%	10	2.81%	8	2.44%	3	0.76%	3	0.74%	3	0.68%
Jordan	2	0.60%	2	0.54%										
Kazakhstan											1	0.25%	1	0.23%
Kenya	6	1.80%	6	1.62%	5	1.40%	2	0.61%	8	2.02%	5	1.23%	6	1.36%
Korea			1	0.27%	1	0.28%	2	0.61%	3	0.76%	1	0.25%	5	1.13%
Kuwait														
Lithuania											2	0.49%		
Macedonia							1	0.30%					1	0.23%
Malawi	1	0.30%	2	0.54%	2	0.56%	2	0.61%	1	0.25%			1	0.23%
Malaysia	2	0.60%	2	0.54%	2	0.56%	2	0.61%	5	1.26%	1	0.25%	8	1.81%
Mauritius	1	0.30%					1	0.30%						
Mali														
Mexico			2	0.54%	2	0.56%	2	0.61%	1	0.25%	3	0.74%	3	0.68%
Montenegro											2	0.49%		

Country	Corresponding authors (one/paper)													
	2007-08		2008-09		2009-10		2010-11		2011-12		2012-13		2013-14	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	No.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
Mozambique	1	0.30%												
Nepal							2	0.61%						
Netherlands	7	2.10%	6	1.62%	9	2.53%	7	2.13%	14	3.53%	5	1.23%	5	1.13%
New Zealand	2	0.60%	3	0.81%			2	0.61%			2	0.49%	4	0.90%
Nicaragua			2	0.54%					1	0.25%				
Nigeria	4	1.20%	5	1.35%	5	1.40%	6	1.83%	5	1.26%	10	2.45%	11	2.49%
Norway	1	0.30%	9	2.43%	4	1.12%	2	0.61%	3	0.76%	1	0.25%	4	0.90%
Oman			1	0.27%										
Pakistan	3	0.90%	2	0.54%	3	0.84%	5	1.52%	4	1.01%	1	0.25%	2	0.45%
PNG														
Paraguay														
Peru									2	0.50%			1	0.23%
Philippines	3	0.90%	1	0.27%	3	0.84%	3	0.91%	3	0.76%	2	0.49%		
Poland	3	0.90%	3	0.81%	4	1.12%	4	1.22%	11	2.77%	5	1.23%	6	1.36%
Portugal	1	0.30%	1	0.27%	5	1.40%			1	0.25%	1	0.25%	1	0.23%
Qatar							1	0.30%	1	0.25%	1	0.25%		
Romania							1	0.30%	1	0.25%	1	0.25%		
Russia	1	0.30%									1	0.25%	2	0.45%
Saudi Arabia							3	0.91%	1	0.25%			2	0.45%
Senegal	2	0.60%	2	0.54%	1	0.28%			2	0.50%	2	0.49%	4	0.90%
Serbia	1	0.30%			2	0.56%	1	0.30%	1	0.25%	1	0.25%	1	0.23%
Slovakia														

Country	Corresponding authors (one/paper)													
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	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	No.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
Slovenia	1	0.30%			1	0.28%	1	0.30%	1	0.25%	1	0.25%		
South Africa	2	0.60%	6	1.62%	3	0.84%	3	0.91%	2	0.50%	6	1.47%	1	0.23%
Spain	18	5.50%	14	3.78%	17	4.78%	13	3.96%	14	3.53%	14	3.43%	18	4.07%
Sri Lanka	1	0.30%					1	0.30%			1	0.25%		
Sudan							1	0.30%						
Sult. of Oman														
Sweden	1	0.30%	2	0.54%	3	0.84%	2	0.61%	7	1.76%	2	0.49%		
Switzerland	2	0.60%			1	0.28%	3	0.91%	2	0.50%			2	0.45%
Syria	2	0.60%					1	0.30%						
Taiwan	6	1.80%	6	1.62%	10	2.81%	6	1.83%	6	1.51%	2	0.49%	9	2.04%
Tanzania					1	0.28%	1	0.30%	1	0.25%	2	0.49%	1	0.23%
Thailand	1	0.30%	1	0.27%	3	0.84%	1	0.30%	2	0.50%	5	1.23%	6	1.36%
Togo													1	0.23%
Tunisia	3	0.90%	2	0.54%	2	0.56%	1	0.30%	2	0.50%	3	0.74%	3	0.68%
Turkey	15	4.60%	17	4.59%	12	3.37%	5	1.52%	3	0.76%	8	1.96%	5	1.13%
Turkmenistan														
Uganda			1	0.27%	1	0.28%	2	0.61%	1	0.25%	1	0.25%	2	0.45%
Ukraine	1	0.30%	1	0.27%										
UAE														
UK	11	3.40%	11	2.97%	10	2.81%	4	1.22%	11	2.77%	12	2.94%	12	2.71%
Uruguay					2	0.56%								
USA	82	25.1%	107	28.9%	86	24.2%	81	24.7%	93	23.43%	89	21.8%	95	21.5%

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Country	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	No.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
Uzbekistan							3	0.91%	1	0.25%				
Vietnam							1	0.30%			1	0.25%	1	0.23%
Venezuela														
West Indies											2	0.49%		
Zambia			1	0.27%							1	0.25%		
Zimbabwe	2	0.60%	2	0.54%			1	0.30%			1	0.25%	1	0.23%
Total	32	100%	370	100%	356	100%	329	100%	397	100%	408	100%	442	100%

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MANUSCRIPT PROCESSING SPEED (CALENDAR DAYS)**

	2009 - 2010			2010-11			2011-12			2012-13			2013-14		
	Mean	Std	N	Mean	Std	N	Mean	Std	N	Mean	Std	N	Mean	Std	N
Among decisions rendered during the year: ²															
Returned for revision	172	151	92	108	39	26	151	150	85	138	105	87	192	150	121
Accept decision (including conditional accepts)	271	207	89	134	70	18	387	250	58	226	175	73	335	148	63
Summary Reject decision (no referees consulted)	4	5	99	9	10	125	6	7	175	5	5	179	5	5	191
Summary Reject decision (referees consulted)	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	0	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	0	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	0	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	0	24	12	2
Reject decision (following peer review)	116	101	121	115	84	110	115	102	106	101	82	97	108	63	158
Withdrawal	531	624	5	969	437	47	515	266	23	515	266	23	636	182	25

¹ Years shown are from July 1 to June 30.

² Times shown are from date of initial submission.

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**TABLE 7:
EDITORIAL OFFICE EXPENDITURE, 2008-2014**

(All figures are in US Dollars)

	July 1, 2008- June 30, 2009	July 1, 2009- June 30, 2010	July 1, 2010- June 30, 2011	July 1, 2011- June 30, 2012	July 1, 2012- June 30, 2013	July 1, 2013- June 30, 2014
Revenue						
IAAE support - Purdue	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	10,000.00	0
IAAE support - Masters	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	0	0	0
IAAE support - Abdulai				0	10,000.00	10,000.00
IAAE support - Shively	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	15,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Total revenue	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	20,000.00
Brought forward	970.19	4,116.13	416.01	-1,239.70	1,174.19	1,626.65
Available funds	30,970.19	34,116.13	30,416.01	28,760.30	31,174.19	21,626.65
Expenditure						
Communications	7.51	8.95	38.60	43.28	37.41	0
Software	1,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0
Computing + supplies	464.76	123.90	656.46	966.08	0	0
Travel	2,855.03	9,540.51	6,093.75	5,321.35	7,510.13	1,174.19
Purdue staff support	7,026.76	7,026.76	7,866.90	4,255.40	0	0
IAAE support - Masters	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	0	0	0
IAAE support - Abdulai				0	10,000.00	10,000.00
IAAE support - Shively	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	15,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Total expenditure	26,854.06	33,700.12	31,655.71	27,586.11	29,547.54	21,174.19
Balance carried forward	4,116.13	416.01	(1239.70)	1,174.19	1,626.65	452.46

**TABLE 8:
THE 10 MOST FREQUENTLY CITED ARTICLES IN *AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS***

Rank	Authors	Title	Year	Vol.	Issue	Cites
1	Berger	Agent-based spatial models applied to agriculture: a simulation tool for technology diffusion, resource use changes and policy analysis	2000	25	2-3	153
2	Rosegrant, Ringler, McKinney, et al.	Integrated economic-hydrologic water modeling at the basin scale: the Maipo river basin	2000	24	1	91
3	Huang, Hu, Pray, et al.	Biotechnology as an alternative to chemical pesticides: a case study of Bt cotton in China	2003	29	1	83
4	Ivanic and Martin	Implications of higher global food prices for poverty in low-income countries	2008	39	3	80
5	Headey and Fan	Anatomy of a crisis: the causes and consequences of surging food prices	2008	39	3	77
6	Verbeke and Ward	A fresh meat almost ideal demand system incorporating negative TV press and advertising impact	2001	25	2-3	77
7	Lanjouw and Lanjouw	The rural non-farm sector: issues and evidence from developing countries	2001	26	1	69
8	Reardon and Barrett	Agroindustrialization, globalization, and international development - An overview of issues, patterns, and determinants	2000	23	3	68
9	Pannell, Malcolm and Kingwell	Are we risking too much? Perspectives on risk in farm modelling	2000	23	1	67
10	Qaim and Traxler	Roundup Ready soybeans in Argentina: farm level and aggregate wealth effects	2005	32	1	62

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