

Editors' Report for 1991-92

This is the first year of the Montana State University-University of Arizona editorship. The most obvious change during this tenure has been the name of the journal to the *Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics*. However, other changes also have been implemented. The journal has adopted a single-column format for more convenient presentation of mathematical notations. In addition, the print size has been modestly reduced and endnotes now replace footnotes. Mathematical notations are now the same font size as the body of the text to simplify formatting for the printers. Over the long run, we expect these changes to reduce our publication costs. In the December 1991 issue, detailed guidelines for authors were published to assist authors in preparing manuscript submissions in the required format and style.

The increased number of submissions to agricultural economics journals has placed a heavier burden on reviewers. In order to reduce the burden, the *JARE* usually is requesting only two reviews per manuscript submission. To increase the likelihood of a timely response, the reviewers are telephoned prior to receiving the manuscript to obtain agreement to complete the review in a reasonable period. The reviewers are requested to complete their evaluation within one month of manuscript receipt.

During the first year of the current editorship, 114 manuscripts were submitted for publication consideration. In addition, there were 23 carryover submissions from the previous editorship. This represents a total of 137 manuscripts (an increase of 35.6% over the first-year submissions under the previous editorship). The average time from receiving the manuscript to the forwarding of reviews to authors was 67 days. The acceptance rate (estimated) was 23%.

The editors appreciate the cooperation of the authors and the many referees. A special thanks is extended to Judy Harrison, our technical editor, whose dedication and unusual attention to detail have made our job much easier.

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ISRAEL FINKELSHTAIN, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and JAMES A. CHALFANT, University of California–Berkeley, "*Marketed Surplus Under Risk: Do Peasants Agree with Sandmo?*" *Amer. J. Agr. Econ.* 73(August 1991):557–67.

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