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THE 5 NEW IZA FIELD JOURNALS

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THE 5 NEW IZA FIELD JOURNALS

- They are:

open-access, academic, and peer-review outlets for the IZA network and those who want to affiliate with IZA instruments to foster the production of research in IZA program areas and where IZA sees a need.

- Publish:

**24 articles per year per journal
(10,000 words per article)**

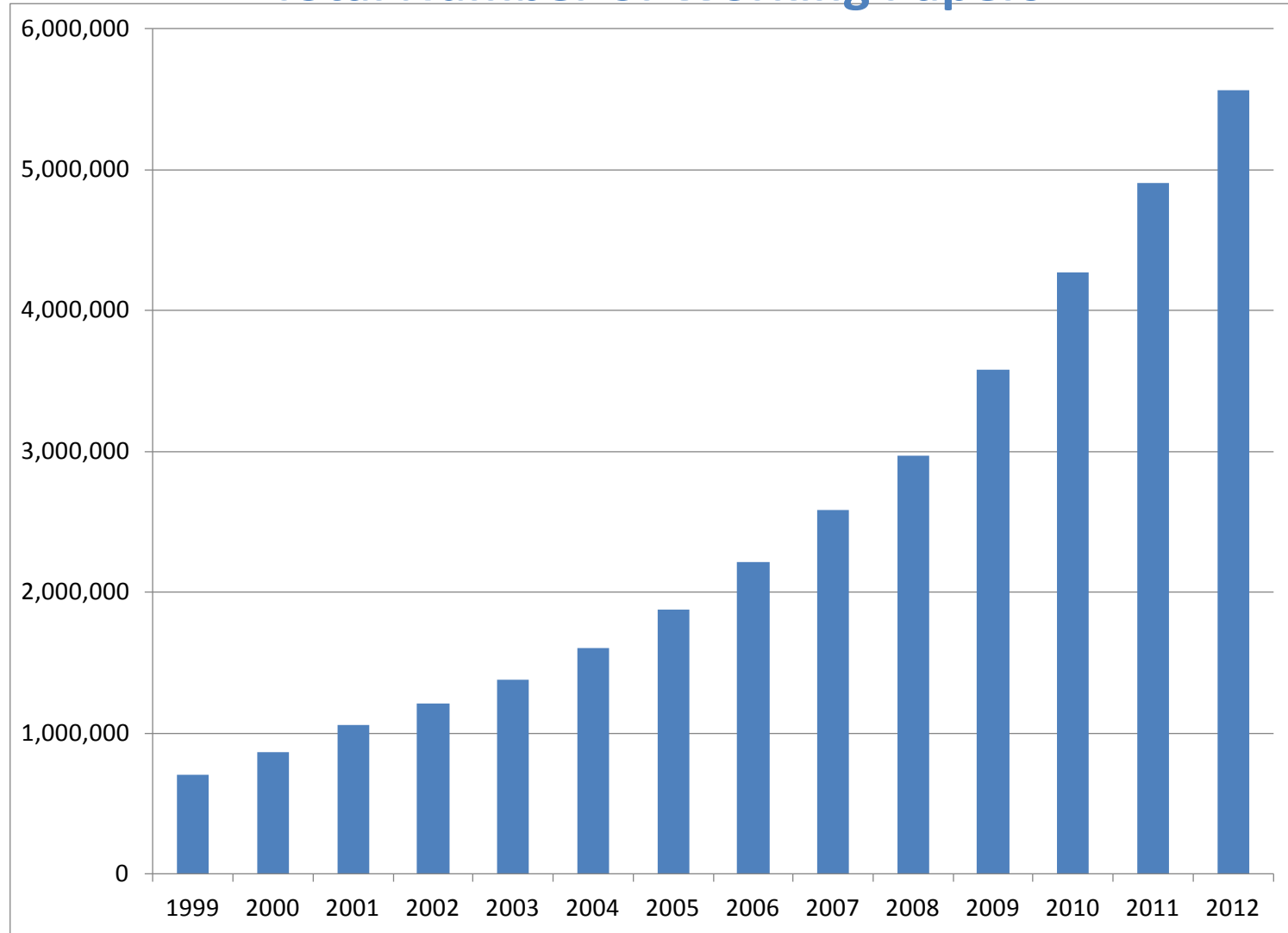


WHY THE NEED FOR JOURNALS ?

- **Lets look at statistics:**

GLOBAL TRENDS

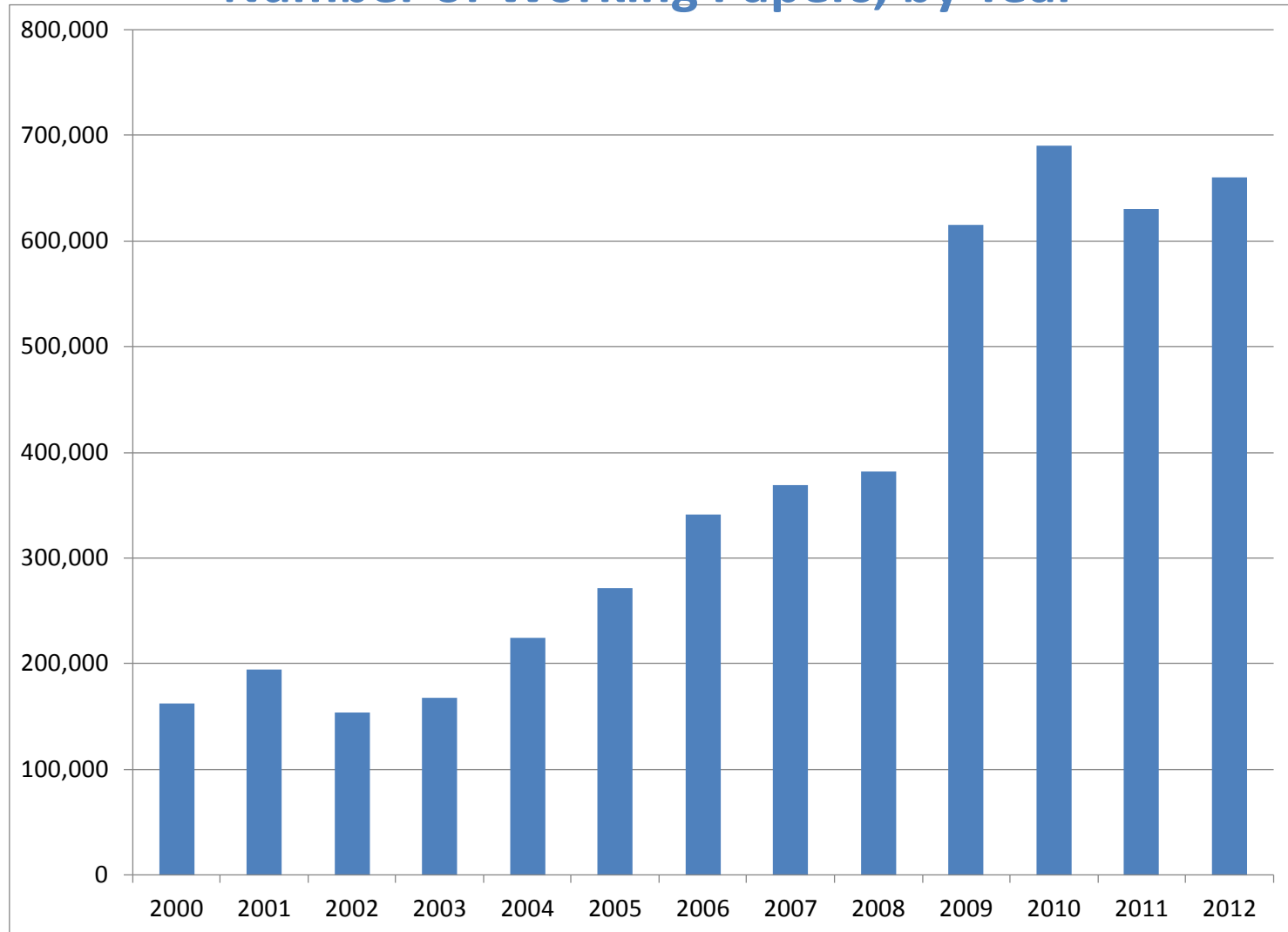
Total Number of Working Papers



Source <http://logec.repec.org>

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Number of Working Papers, by Year



Source <http://logec.repec.org>

GLOBAL TRENDS

Top Publications in Economics

- “[...] Annual Submissions to the TOP-5 JOURNALS Nearly **DOUBLED** FROM 1990 TO 2012”
- “[...] The Total Number of Articles Published in These Journals Actually **DECLINED** From 400/YEAR in the Late 1970s to 300/YEAR Most Recently. As a Result, The ACCEPTANCE RATE HAS **FALLEN** FROM 15% TO 6% [...]”
- ...

Source: “Nine Facts about Top Journals in Economics”

David Card, Stefano DellaVigna - NBER Working Paper No. 18665, Jan. 2013

Grave Publication Lags/Delays

18 months !

Conley, J.P., M.J. Crucini, R.A. Driskill, and A.S. Onder (2011)

“Incentives and the Effects of Publication Lags on Life Cycle Research Productivity in Economics,” NBER Working Paper 17043

Could be as long as 3 years (from first submission to final journal publication)

➔ Must always have articles in the pipeline !!!

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Acceptance Rates at Various Journals Year 2008 or Shortly Before

Journal	Acceptance Rate
<i>American Economic Review</i> *	0.07
<i>Econometrica</i> *	0.09
<i>Journal of Political Economy</i>	0.05
<i>Quarterly Journal of Economics</i>	0.04
<i>BEJ Applied Economics (All 4 Levels)</i> *	0.51
<i>Canadian Journal of Economics</i>	0.18
<i>Economica</i>	0.11
<i>Economics Letters</i>	0.17
<i>European Economic Review</i>	0.09
<i>Industrial and Labor Relations Review</i>	0.18
<i>Journal of Human Resources</i>	0.10
<i>Journal of Labor Economics</i>	0.08
<i>Journal of Monetary Economics</i>	0.20
<i>Journal of Population Economics</i>	0.21
<i>Journal of Public Economics</i>	0.10
<i>Labour Economics</i> *	0.15

Source: "How to Publish in a Top Journal," D. Hamermesh *unpublished notes*

NOTA BENE

- **Journals, Conferences, Universities, Colleges, etc. are usually ranked based on their acceptance or rejection ratios**

The lower the percentage of accepted papers, the more prestigious the journal is considered to be

ADVANTAGES OF THE IZA JOURNALS

- **FAST EDITORIAL PROCESS (*Instant gratification*)**
 - **ADVANCED DESK REJECTION POLICY**
 - **SPEEDY REFEREE PROCEDURE (1 MONTH) – YES (as is) or NO**
 - **PRODUCTION OF TYPESET ARTICLE WITHIN A MONTH**
- **OPEN ACCESS**
 - **PUBLICLY AVAILABLE**
 - **WIDE DISSEMINATION/HIGH VISIBILITY VIA IZA's NETWORK**
 - **FEES WAIVED FOR IZA FELLOWS AND REFEREES**
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- **Publishes Original Theoretical and Applied Contributions, Including:**
 - **Determinants and Consequences of Human Mobility in Both Sending and Receiving Regions**
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Statistics

- **2013 (AS OF MAY 31)**
 - SUBMITTED: 31
 - ACCEPTED: 10 (7 ONLINE)
 - REJECTED: 16
 - UNDER REVIEW or R&R: 5
- **2012**
 - SUBMITTED: 47
 - ACCEPTED: 14



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Accesses Matloob Piracha, Massimiliano Tani, Florin Vadean
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3. **Original article** [Open Access](#)

1127 **Ethnic persistence, assimilation and risk proclivity**

Accesses Holger Bonin, Amelie Constant, Konstantinos Tatsiramos, Klaus F Zimmermann
IZA Journal of Migration 2012, **1**:5 (18 October 2012)
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4. **Original article** [Open Access](#)

934 **Human capital transmission and the earnings of second-generation immigrants in Sweden**

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IZA Journal of Migration 2012, **1**:4 (9 October 2012)
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5. **Original article** [Open Access](#)

889 **Does aid induce brain drain? A panel data analysis**

Accesses Darwin Ugarte Ontiveros, Vincenzo Verardi
IZA Journal of Migration 2012, **1**:13 (31 December 2012)
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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Open Access

Do high-skill immigrants raise productivity? Evidence from Israeli manufacturing firms, 1990-1999

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JEL codes: J61, F22, D24

Keywords: Immigration, Productivity

1. Introduction

The last twenty years have seen an increase in the share of highly skilled immigrants in many OECD countries (Chaloff and Lemaître, 2009). At the same time, many coun-

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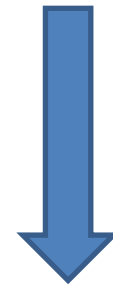
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WHAT IS A DESK REJECTION

- The managing editor or the editors reject the paper without consulting referees
- When the paper:
 - fails to meet the submission requirements
 - does not fit the mission of the journal or is not developed for publication



i.e. (Current mindset)
submit a draft in hopes that the referees
will suggest ways to improve the paper

PLAGIARISM

TWO TYPES:

Standard plagiarism i.e. copying other people's work and not citing them

Self-plagiarism

- i. submitting the same, or almost the same papers to multiple journals (cardinal sin)
- ii. copy and paste paragraphs from earlier papers without citing them

DON'T !

DO NOT “REJECT AND RESUBMIT” !

**Be courteous to the referees and the editors even when
your paper is not accepted**

ETIQUETTE (RE)SUBMIT” !

Be courteous to the referees, the editors, and managing editors

-do not inquire about the status of your manuscript before 3-5 months from submission

-if you receive an R&R do it right away

(some journals have an expiration date for resubmission)

-show that you made an effort to revise and seriously considered the referees’s points

OTHER HINTS

Volunteer to be a referee; Take this job very seriously

Advantages: establish a good relationship with the editor

you can learn how to read your own work with a critical eye

Useful reading: CSWEP, Spring 2011

http://www.aeaweb.org/committees/cswep/newsletters/CSWEP_nsltr_SprSum_2011.pdf

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