

Editorial Report 2011

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The 4 issues of De Economist published in 2011 contain 21 papers of which 10 papers are published in regular issues and 11 papers are published in Special Issues. The articles covers a wide range of issues from an analysis of the effect of manager turnover on firm performance (using data on Dutch football) to the impact of product market competition on training investments of firms. The second issue of 2011 was a Special Issue on Aging workforces (6 papers), the fourth issue of 2011 was a Special Issue on Productivity and internationalization (5 papers).

In 2011 there were 54 submissions, the same number as in 2010. As shown in the table below, of these 54 submissions 13 were accepted, 29 were rejected, and 12 are still in the editorial process. Of the rejected papers 17 were desk-rejections, i.e. rejected within a week after submission. In 2011 61 decisions were taken, 28 papers were accepted while 33 were rejected.

For reason of comparison the table below also shows the final numbers for the 2010 submissions. The acceptance rate for the papers that were submitted in 2010 is 39%. Ignoring the desk-rejections, the acceptance rate is close to 50%.

The average time to first decision of the papers who got a revise and resubmit in the initial stage was 82 days. Of the rejected papers this was 44 days, which is substantially lower due to the desk rejections.

	Submitted in 2011	Decision in 2011	Submitted in 2010
Accepted	13	28	21
Submitted in 2010	–	15	–
Rejected	29	33	33
Of which desk-rejections	17	17	10
In stock	12	–	–
Total	54	61	54

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