Publisher's Report

Agricultural and Food Economics

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About this journal
Aims and Scope

Agricultural and Food Economics is an **international peer-reviewed journal** published on behalf of the **Italian Society of Agricultural Economics**. The editors welcome high-quality, problem-oriented submissions on agriculture and food from a wide variety of socio-economic perspectives and from all over the world.

Completely **open access**, the journal publishes original research and review articles with **innovative results** and **relevant policy and managerial implications**, based on quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methodologies.

Topics of interest include:

- Sustainable food systems
- Food and nutrition security
- Agricultural and food policy
- Environmental impacts of agricultural and food activities
- Market analysis
- Agri-food firm management and marketing
- Organization of the agri-food value chains

- Behavioral economics
- Food quality and safety issues
- Food and health economics, trade, sustainable rural development
- Natural and marine resource economics
- Land economics

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New Society Affiliation Contract between Springer Nature and SIDEA

- SIDEA ownership of the journal;

- Years 2022 to 2026;

- Formalization of new business model «partial sponsorship»

  ➢ APCs can be covered by the authors (Research funds; Fully OA National Agreements; Waivers and discounts for low-income countries; Springer Open Membership Agreements).

  ➢ APCs can be partly sponsored by SIDEA.

- New payment management system / Oasis → new forkflow: post-acceptance sponsorship request via email verification. The old discount code chases to exist.

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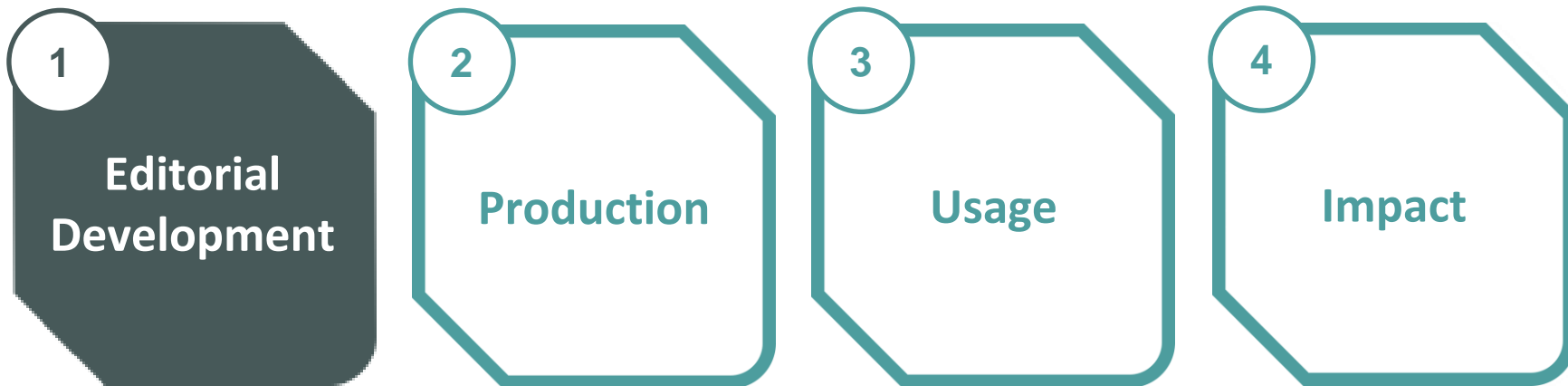
Editorial Development
Editorial Status Summary

During the peer review process, submitted manuscripts go through one or more revision stages leading up to acceptance or rejection. The table below summarizes the activity for the journal office between January 1st and December 31st of each year. Only "Original Submissions" have been taken into account. The rejection rate for 2022 is calculated as the number of rejected manuscripts in 2022 compared to the total number of accept/reject decisions made in 2022.

PRS/Peer Review Systems: EM = Editorial Manager - eJP = eJournalPress - SNAPP = Springer Nature Article Processing Platform

Submissions	2020	2021	2022	Jun-2023
Total Submitted	**179**	**267**	**337**	**281**
Total Decisioned	**185**	**283**	**344**	**413**
Accept	21	30	27	21
Reject*	132	209	245	207
Withdrawn	32	44	72	185
Acceptance Rate	11%	11%	8%	5%
Rejection Rate	71%	74%	71%	50%
Withdrawal Rate	17%	16%	21%	45%
Average Days to First Decision	35	36	41	30
Average Days to Final Disposition Accept	611	425	290	174
Average Days to Final Disposition Reject	29	60	31	21

Disclaimer: Please note that the term "Reject" counts rejection decisions at any stage and for all reasons, such as: Reject before review; Reject after review; Reject, but resubmit; or Reject, out of scope; and so forth. In addition: Only the papers for which the 'Final Disposition Date' has been set are taken into account. Final disposition date means that a manuscript is fully completed.

Note: Reject/Transfers numbers based on final disposition term

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Author Region of Origin of Manuscripts Submitted and Accepted (1/2)

Top 10 countries submissions / acceptances 2022
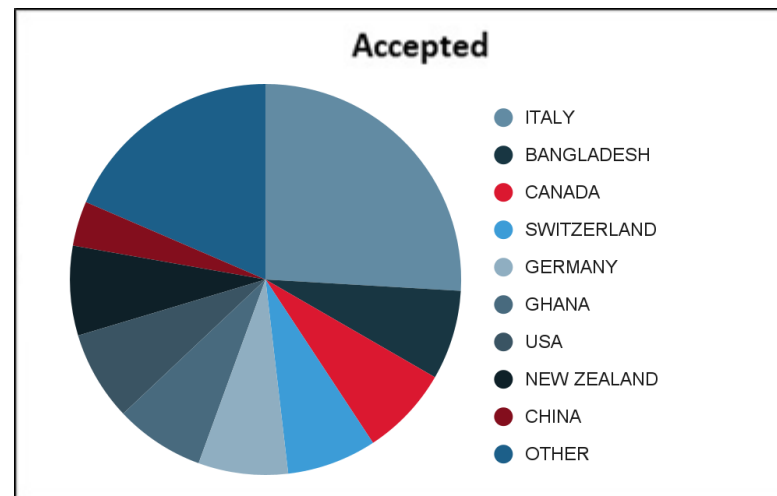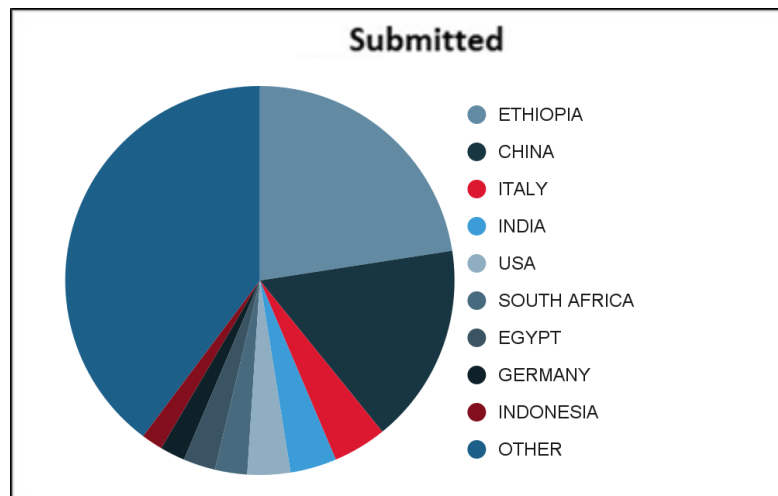
Disclaimer: Please note that the number of manuscripts submitted and the number of manuscripts accepted is a summary of activities between January 1st and December 31st of each year. A manuscript may have been submitted in a certain year, but not accepted in that same year, e.g. is still in process.

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Manuscript transfers

How does the manuscript transfer service benefit the scientific community?
Authors benefit from a convenient way to resubmit their manuscript to a suitable journal, while editors can expand their journal's service by offering a friendly alternative to rejection without any additional work. Receiving transfers from other journals will give you access to interesting new submissions for your journal. The entire publication process can be faster if review reports are included in the transfer, reducing the workload for the reviewer community. Find more details at www.springer.com/transfer.

Number of transfer offers

Articles donated via transfers

Articles received via transfers
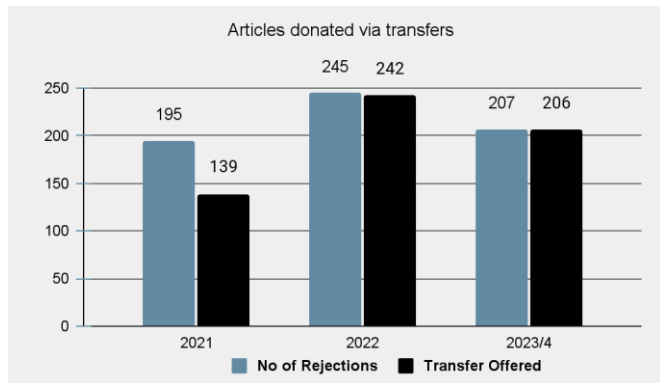
Disclaimers: Rejection date based on final decision date as this is the point in time where the author is informed about the rejection and a transfer offer is possible. For Transfers this is seen as the starting point of the process.

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Editorial Development
Manuscript Tracker (1/2)

Where were manuscripts rejected by Agricultural and Food Economics in 2021 & 2022 eventually published?

manuscripts rejected by JAFEE in 2021	manuscripts rejected by JAFE in 2022	were published in Springer Nature journals	were published with other publishers
209	245	14	65

Top 20 journals publishing 2021/2022 rejections from JAFE
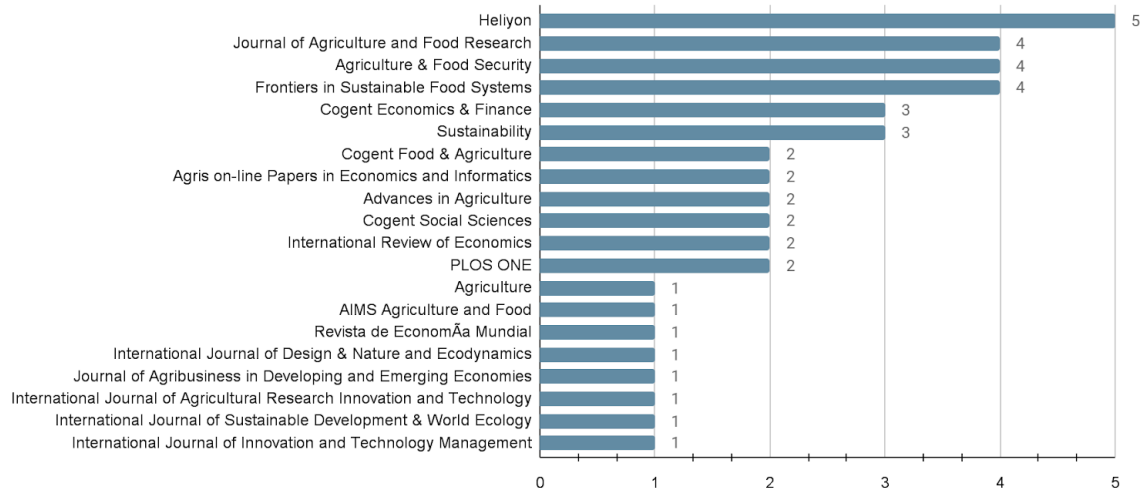
Disclaimer: We use our manuscript tracking tool to analyse where manuscripts that are rejected by our journals are eventually published.

"Found" means the manuscript could be found as published by a SpringerNature journal or elsewhere. Our tracking tool is designed to return positive results with a high degree of confidence (i.e. low false positives) but some published manuscripts might have been missed (false negatives).

"Not found" means the manuscripts could not be found as published. Maybe it has not been resubmitted, it could be submitted and still in a publishers workflow or the title and authors have changed significantly.

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Manuscript Tracker (2/2)

Rejected articles (%age) published elsewhere, by publisher
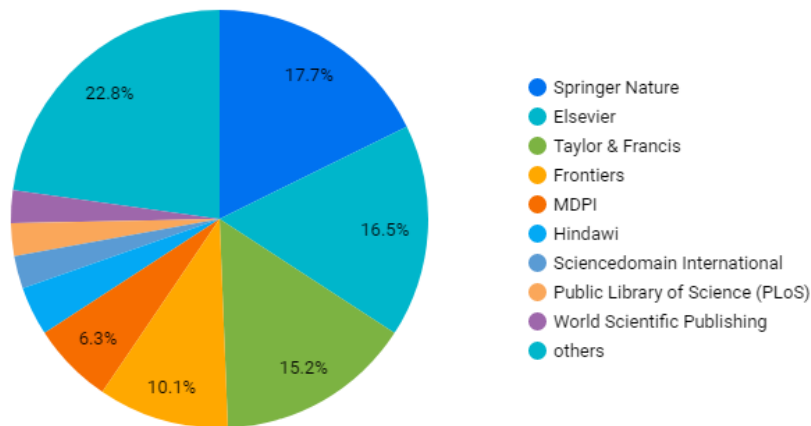
Data 2021 and 2022

Number of citations (%age) of published articles
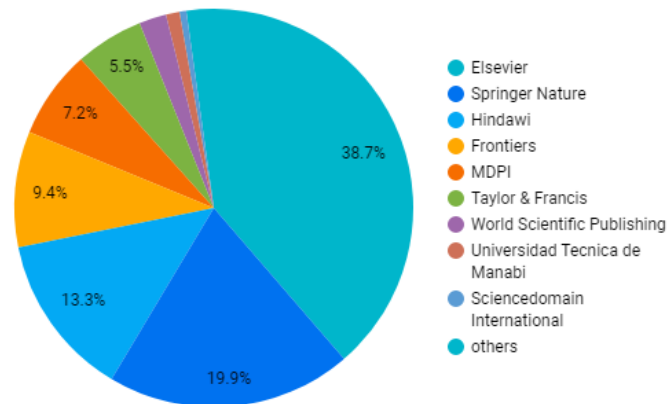
Data 2021 and 2022

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Editorial Development
Publication Ethics and Research Integrity

Journal Editors, in cooperation with Editorial Board members and reviewers, safeguard the quality and integrity of journal content. The Springer Nature Code of Conduct and the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE) describe Editors' responsibilities.

Springer Nature supports Editors in preventing and addressing ethics issues and research misconduct. Services include plagiarism-detection software, e-learning courses for Editors, and a specialist advisory team: the Springer Nature Research Integrity Group.

Plagiarism, authorship disputes, data fabrication and peer-review manipulation are the most-common issues. Editors who would like assistance resolving such issues should contact their Publishing Editor in the first instance. The Publishing Editor can consult the Research Integrity Group for complex cases.

Springer Nature continuously updates editorial policies in response to emerging issues. Recent policy developments (implemented according to individual journal scope and partner approval) address citation manipulation, diversity of Editorial Boards, sex and gender in research, preprint sharing, data availability statements, and submissions of high concern.

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- is a member of COPE ✔
- is using plagiarism-detection software ✔

Papers retracted in year: 0   *Data 2022*

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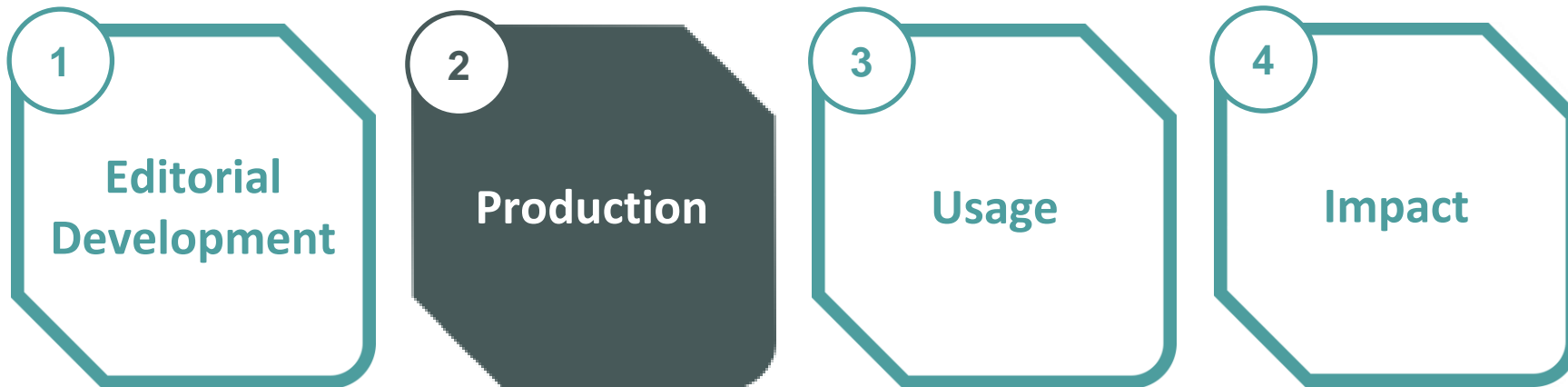
Production
Production volume

Manuscripts accepted for publication

Number of articles
- 2020: 25
- 2021: 34
- 2022: 30

New Manuscripts [By year]

Number of published articles (FY)

Number of articles
- 2021: 35
- 2022: 31
- 2023/7: 25
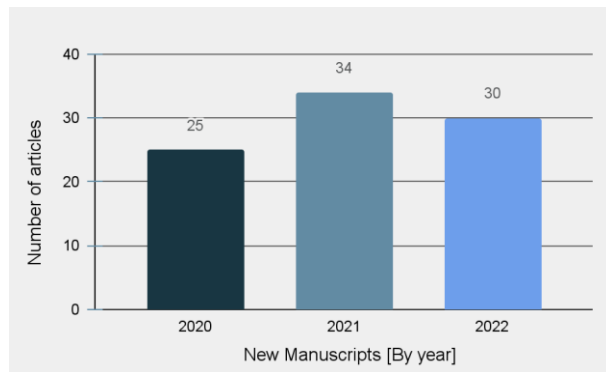
Number of Published Articles (FY)

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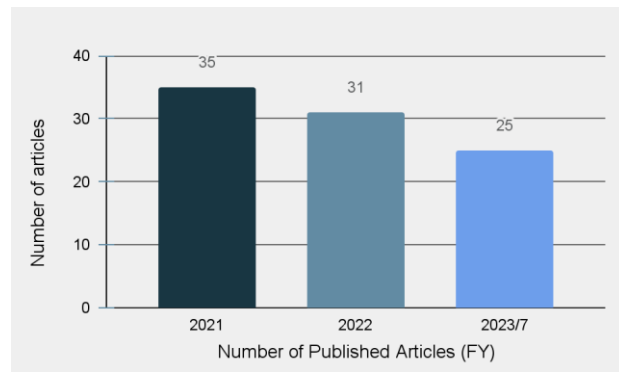
Published Online means that articles are:

- Published electronically in the journal: These are final articles published online after an author has reviewed proofs and all corrections have been carried out. Metadata is sent to all relevant bibliographic services for inclusion in abstracting and indexing databases immediately after online publication.

- Fully citable by their DOI: Articles are in citable form 2-3 weeks after acceptance, before distribution of the journal's print edition (if any). The official publication date is the online publication date, which is stated online and in any printed version.

- Published also in PDF format: For publication of the printed version, only the final pagination and the citation line are added.

- Published as Online First articles: where journals are issue based (i.e. do not use continuous articles publishing) and accepted articles have to wait for allocation to an issue. Online First enables earlier usage and citations.

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Production turnaround time

Average Time Between Editor Acceptance for Publication and Publication Online
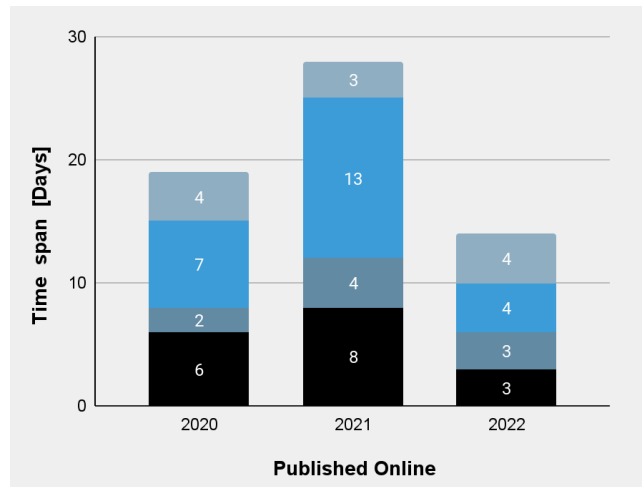
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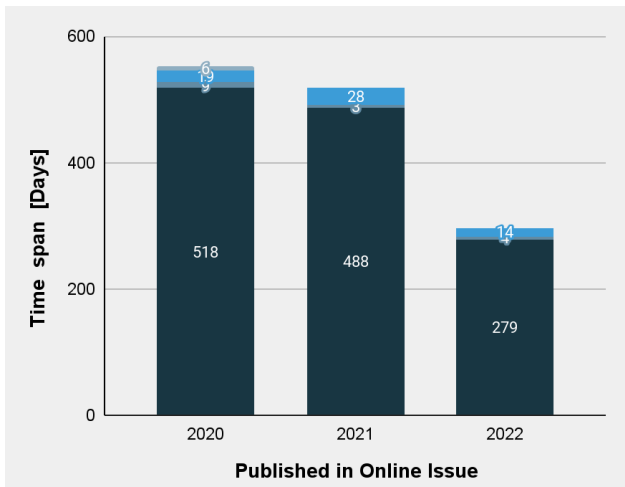
Disclaimer: For the time to production ('Received by Springer Nature) the 'Final Disposition Date' is taken. There could be a time lag between the 'Final Decision Date' and the 'Final Disposition Date'.

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Production disapproval rate

Production turnaround times are sometimes affected by delays in handling proof corrections, resulting from production editors having to disapprove the corrected article and returning it back to the typesetter for a secondary correction round. The figure opposite indicates the disapproval rate for this journal. Springer Nature has set the average -- for 2021 -- at 4%. Disapproval rates above 4% could be an indication of typesetters having a hard time with difficult content or nonstandard layouts and copy editing, or it could result from authors and/or EiCs not adhering to our standard for a single proofing round and submitting multiple sets of corrections instead.

Disapproval Rate % (2022)

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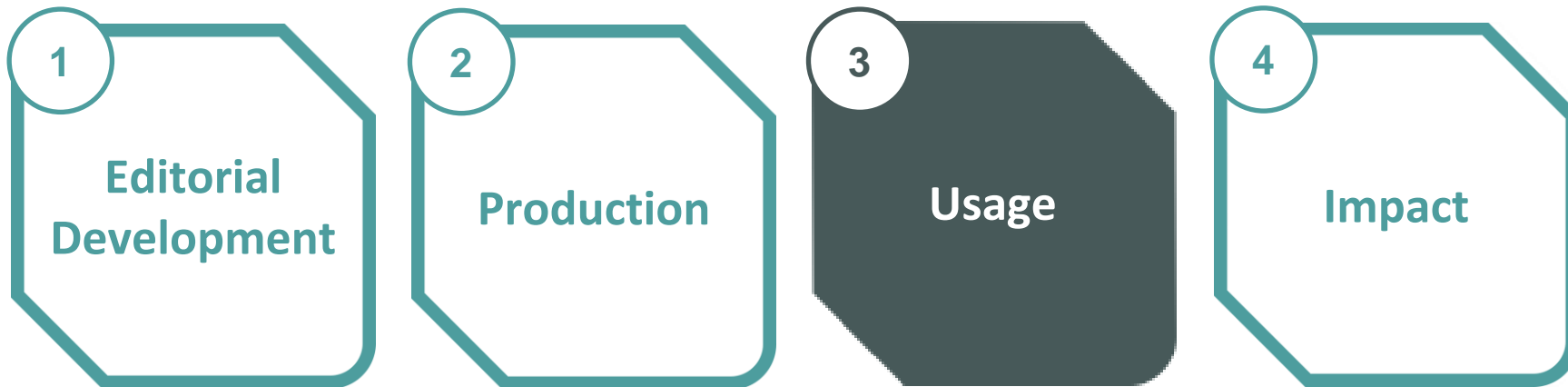
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Successful Full-Text Article Requests

Full-Text Article Requests 2019 - 2023(YTD)
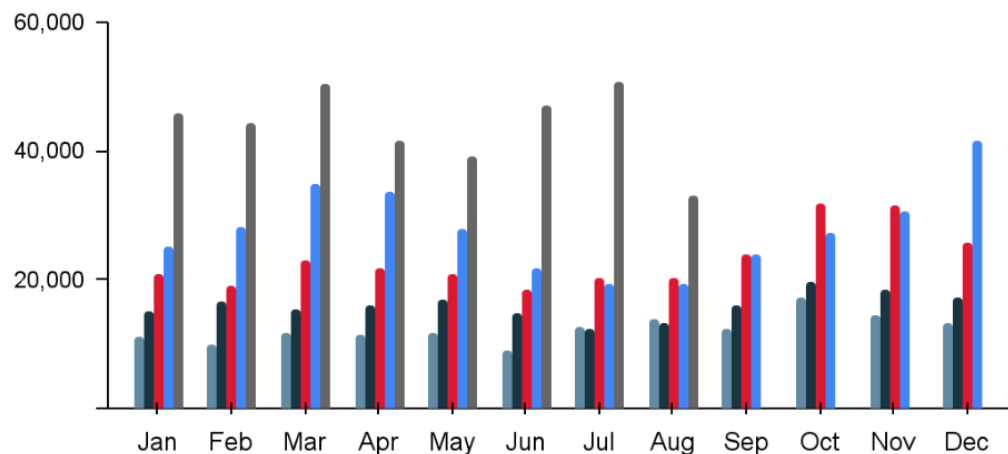
Totals	
2019	148,982
2020	191,034
2021	277,384
2022	333,014
2023 (YTD)	352,216

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2019	11,105	9,794	11,790	11,334	11,851	9,078	12,765	13,851	12,478	17,254	14,430	13,252
2020	15,031	16,457	15,250	15,869	16,827	14,782	12,479	13,151	16,018	19,633	18,428	17,109
2021	20,747	18,989	23,102	21,902	20,978	18,387	20,155	20,279	23,793	31,771	31,422	25,859
2022	24,972	28,064	34,718	33,499	27,889	21,716	19,187	19,404	23,939	27,256	30,701	41,669
2023	45,858	44,380	50,436	41,488	39,185	47,158	50,661	33,050				

Source: COUNTER usage data on Google BigQuery. Downloads from SpringerLink, Nature.com and BMC Platform .

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Usage
Articles published 2020-2022: Top 10 Full-Text Article Requests in 2022

Title	Author	Article Types	Volume	Year*	Article Requests 2022
Agricultural business economics: the challenge of sustainability	Giulio Malorgio, Francesco Marangon	Editorial Notes	9	2021	6,909
Measuring consumers' preferences for craft beer attributes through Best-Worst Scaling	Marco Lerro, Giuseppe Marotta, Concetta Nazzaro	Original Paper	8	2020	6,872
Food consumption patterns, nutrient adequacy, and the food systems in Nigeria	Daniel A. Mekonnen et al.	Original Paper	9	2021	5,673
Economic benefits of livestock management in Ghana	Faizal Adams et al.	Original Paper	9	2021	5,253
Women in household decision-making and implications for dietary quality in Bhutan	Orkhan Sariyev, Tim K. Loos, Manfred Zeller, Tulsi Gurung	Original Paper	8	2020	4,439
Technical efficiency and productivity of farms: a periurban case study analysis	Anna Gaviglio et al.	Original Paper	9	2021	4,278
Economic linkage between urban development and livelihood of peri-urban farming communities in Ethiopia (policies and practices)	Idris Mohammed, Abdella Kosa, Nuredin Juhar	Original Paper	8	2020	3,772
Economic performance of agritourism: an analysis of farms located in a less favoured area in Italy	Brunella Arru, Roberto Furesi, Fabio A. Madau, Pietro Pulina	Original Paper	9	2021	3,707
Effects of sustainable agricultural practices on farm income and food security in northern Ghana	Edinam Dope Setsoafia, Wanglin Ma, Alan Renwick	Original Paper	10	2022	3,705
Why consumers drink natural wine? Consumer perception and information about natural wine	Riccardo Vecchio et al.	Original Paper	9	2021	3,519

Source: COUNTER usage data on Google BigQuery. Downloads from SpringerLink, Nature.com and BMC Platform   ** Year = Pricelist Year.*

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Usage
All time: Top 10 Full-Text Article Requests in 2022

Title	Author	Article Types	Volume	Year*	Article Requests 2022
The impact of agricultural cooperatives membership on the wellbeing of smallholder farmers: empirical evidence from eastern Ethiopia	Musa Hasen Ahmed, Hiwot Mekonnen Mesfin	Original Paper	5	2017	10,162
The dark and the bright side of power: implications for the management of business-to-business relationships	Vera Belaya, Jon Henrich Hanf	Original Paper	4	2016	8,375
Impact of farmer education on farm productivity under varying technologies: case of paddy growers in India	Kirtti Ranjan Paltasingh, Phanindra Goyari	Original Paper	6	2018	7,572
Agricultural business economics: the challenge of sustainability	Giulio Malorgio, Francesco Marangon	Editorial Notes	9	2021	6,909
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Determinants of food insecurity in the rural farm households in South Wollo Zone of Ethiopia: the case of the Teleyayen sub-watershed	Alem-meta Assefa Agidew, K. N. Singh	Original Paper	6	2018	5,918
Food consumption patterns, nutrient adequacy, and the food systems in Nigeria	Daniel A. Mekonnen et al.	Original Paper	9	2021	5,673
Economic benefits of livestock management in Ghana	Faizal Adams et al.	Original Paper	9	2021	5,253
Sustainability in the wine industry: key questions and research trendsa</Superscript>	Cristina Santini, Alessio Cavicchi, Leonardo Casini	Review Paper	1	2013	5,010
Evolving consumer trends for whey protein sports supplements: the Heckman ordered probit estimation	Cian Keogh, Chenguang Li, Zhifeng Gao	Original Paper	7	2019	4,893

Source: COUNTER usage data on Google BigQuery. Downloads from SpringerLink, Nature.com and BMC Platform

* Year = Pricelist Year.

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Usage
Visit by Geography

North America 16%
Europe 30%
Asia-Pacific 32%
Africa 16%
Latin America 3%
Middle East 2%

North America	
United States	14%
Canada	2%

Top 5 Europe	
United Kingdom	6%
Italy	5%
Germany	4%
Netherlands	2%
Switzerland	1%

Top 5 Asia-Pacific	
India	6%
Philippines	6%
Indonesia	3%
Malaysia	3%
China	2%

Source: Google Analytics data on Google Big Query.

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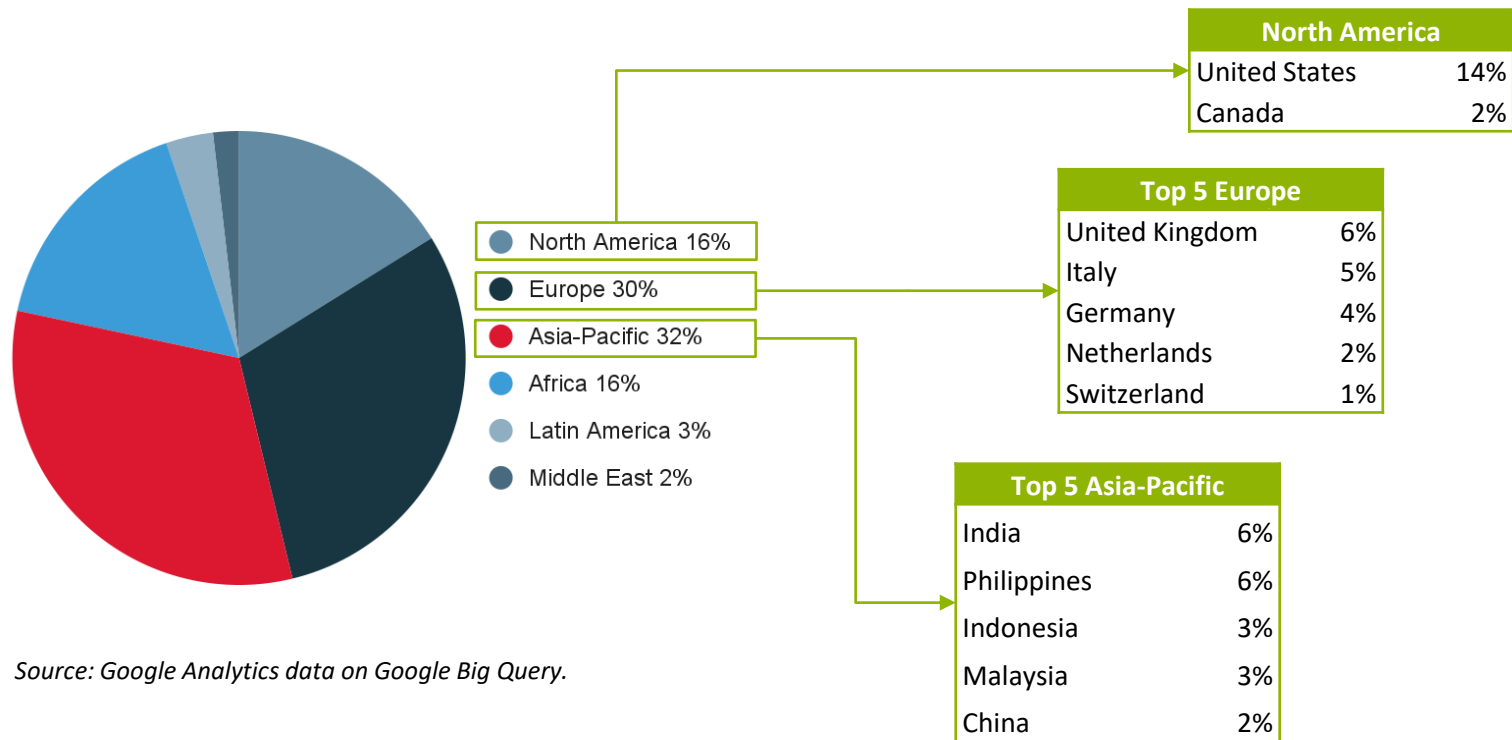
Usage
Visitor referral

Top 5 sources of traffic	% of Visits
Google Scholar	75%
Google	9%
(Direct)	8%
Other	7%

Direct traffic includes every visit for which no referrer information was passed on, such as bookmark traffic, typed URLs, and word-of-mouth initiated traffic such as links in e-mails or instant messaging programs; also included: traffic from 'https' websites).

Source: Google Analytics data on Google Big Query.

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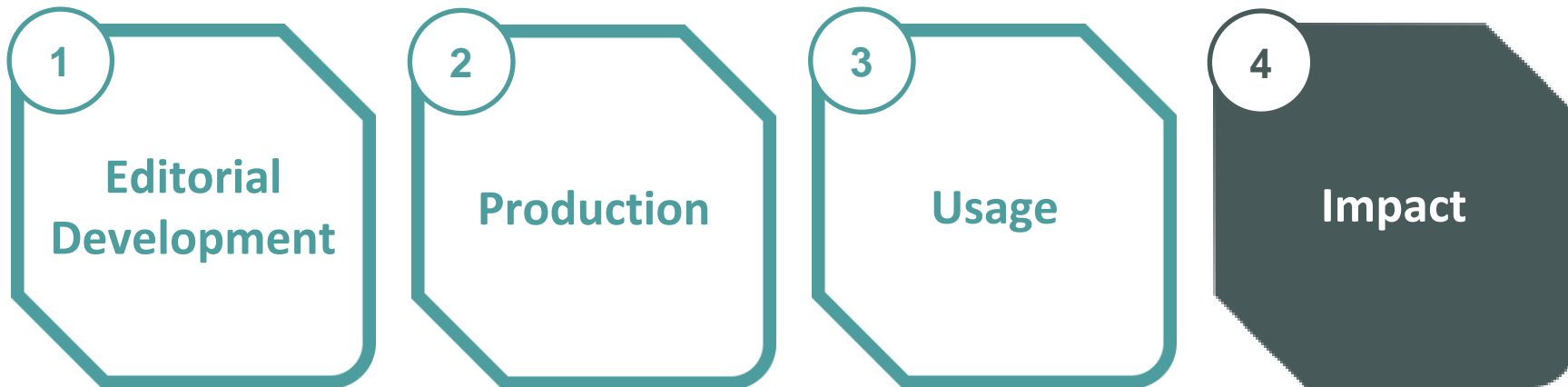
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Coverage in Abstracting & Indexing (A&I) Services

Journal of International Humanitarian Action is currently covered by the following (A&I) services:

 AGRICOLA, ANVUR, BFI List, BIOSIS, Baidu, Biological Abstracts, CAB Abstracts, CLOCKSS, CNKI, CNPIEC, Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) - GoOA, Current Contents/ Agriculture, Biology & Environmental Sciences, DOAJ, Dimensions, EBSCO Business Source, EBSCO Discovery Service, EMBiology, EconLit, Gale, Google Scholar, IFIS Publishing, INIS Atomindex, Journal Citation Reports/Social Sciences Edition, Naver, Norwegian Register for Scientific Journals and Series, OCLC WorldCat Discovery Service, Portico, ProQuest Agricultural & Environmental Science Database, ProQuest-ExLibris Primo, ProQuest-ExLibris Summon, Research Papers in Economics (RePEc), SCImago, SCOPUS, Social Science Citation Index, TD Net Discovery Service, UGC-CARE List (India), WTI AG, Wanfang

Google Scholar: h5 Index

The h5-index is a product of Google Scholar and shows a journal's h-Index based on the journal's articles published in the last 5 calendar years (with an overall minimum of 100 articles published during these years). The variable h is defined as the largest number of articles that have each been cited h times. The h5-Index therefore cannot be dominated by one or a few highly cited articles.

JAFE h5 INDEX	21	23	25
	2020	2021	2022

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Metrics based on or related to Scopus: CITESCORE 2022

$5.5 \equiv \dfrac{586 \text{ Citations 2019 - 2022}}{106 \text{ Documents 2019 - 2022}}$

CiteScore is calculated by Elsevier, based on their Scopus database, and offers an alternative to Impact Factors. For the numerator, the 2023 CiteScore counts the citations received in 2019-2022 to documents published in 2019-2022; the denominator is the number of documents published in these years.

Bar chart — Year vs. value: 2019: 2.9, 2020: 3.6, 2021: 4.7, 2022: 5.5
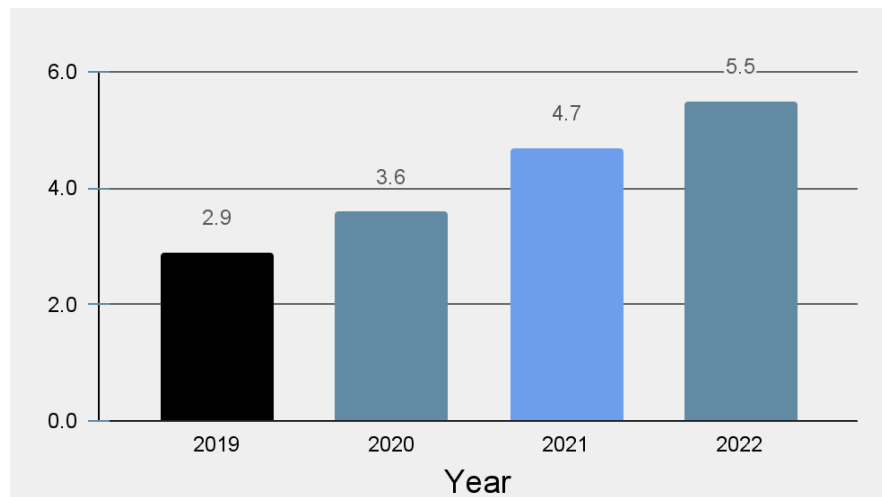
Category	Category Name	Rank	Percentile
Agricultural and Biological Sciences	Agricultural and Biological Sciences (miscellaneous)	#19/147	87th
Economics, Econometrics and Finance	Economics and Econometrics	#123/705	82nd
Agricultural and Biological Sciences	Food Science	#89/359	75th

The 4-year CiteScore time window was chosen to fit all subject areas. A 4-year publication window is long enough to capture the citation peak in the majority of disciplines.

Source of graphics: https://www.scopus.com

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Metrics based on or related to Scopus: Scimago Journal Rank (SJR) 2022
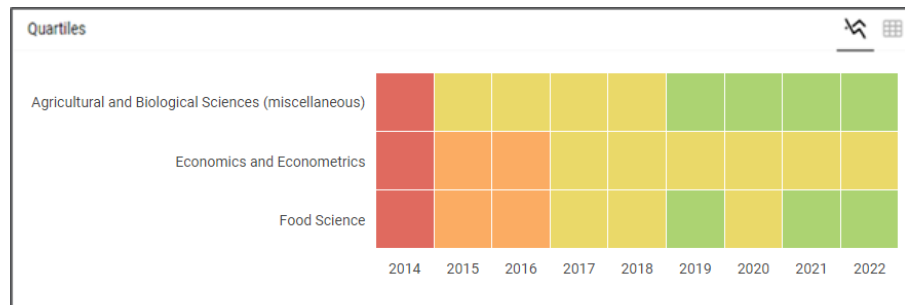
The Scimago Journal Rank (SJR), which is based on Elsevier's Scopus database, is generated by an independent agency, calculating the number of citations in one year to a journal's articles in the preceding three years, weighted by the importance or prestige (calculated by a SJR algorithm) of the citing journals.

Quartile colour legend: **Top Q** – **Q 2** – **Q 3** – **bottom Q**

Source: https://www.scopus.com

Metrics based on or related to Scopus: Source Normalized Impact per Paper (SNIP) 2022

The calculation of the Source Normalized Impact per Paper (SNIP), also Scopus-based, starts off similarly as for the SJR but then contextualizes and normalizes a journal's citation-based impact by taking into account the total number of citations in a research discipline. Effectively, in a field where reference lists tend to be shorter, each citation counts more (and vice versa). A SNIP value of 1.0 represents the median (not the mean) number of citations for journals in a given field.

For both SJR and SNIP, inaccurate Scopus data will result in inaccurate scores.

For further information on CiteScore, SJR and SNIP, see:
www.journalmetrics.scopus.com

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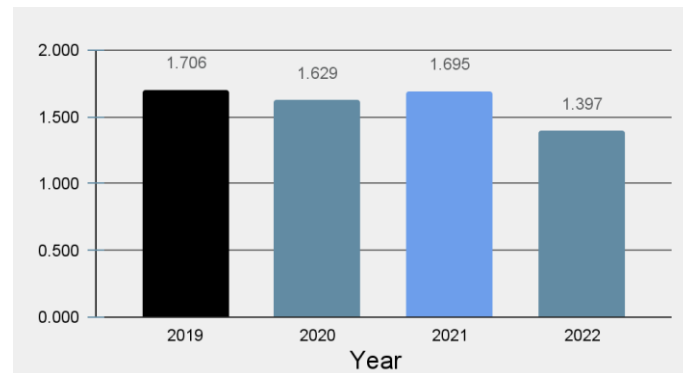
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JRC Impact Factor 2022

Journal Impact Factors are published each summer by Clarivate Analytics (previously Thomson Reuters) via Journal Citation Reports®. Impact Factors and ranking data are always presented for the preceding calendar year. These metrics help to measure influence and impact at the journal and category levels, but not on the level of individual articles or authors.

Impact Factor Analysis* – for IF Year 2022

$$\frac{\text{Citations in 2022 to items published in 2020 (92) + 2021 (119)}}{\text{Number of citable items in 2020 (23) + 2021 (31)}} = \frac{211}{54} = 3.9$$

- Number of Source Items: 54
- Number of Cites: 211**
- Journal Self Cites: 12 (6% of 211)
- The 2-Year Impact Factor: 3.9
- The 2-Year Impact Factor, without self cites: 3.7
- The 5-Year Impact Factor: N/A

*Data available as of 2000
** this number could be different from the actual number of citations in the IF Year.
NB: The Web of Science is a dynamic database.
***Clarivate will consider investigating and suppressing or entirely removing journals with abnormally high self-citation rates. This can vary by discipline but there are cases of journals with rates just above 20% having been suppressed.

Ranking within categories in IF Year 2022

Category Name	Total Journals in Category	Journal Rank in Category	Quartile in Category
Economics	381	87	Q1
Agricultural Economics & Policy	22	8	Q2

N. of citations, n. of source items, and IF by year
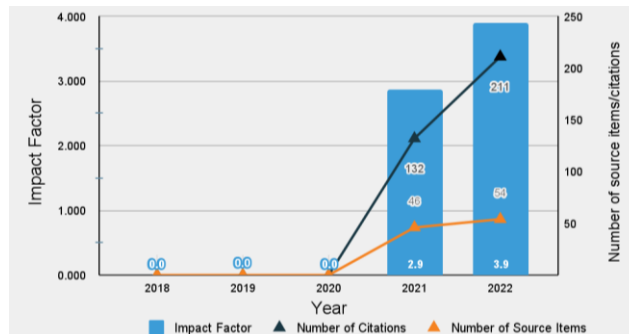
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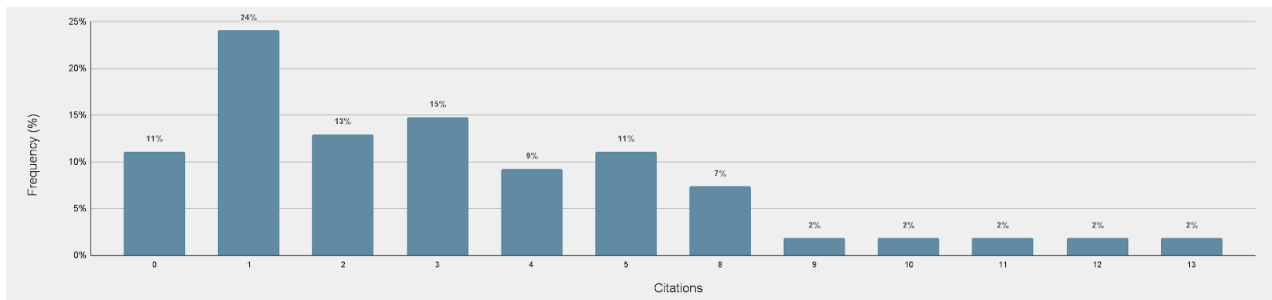## JRC Impact Factor 2022 – Frequency of articles cited

Distribution of citations

This graph shows how citations are distributed over the articles published in 2020 and 2021 for IF Year 2022 (according to the Journal Citation Report).

0-cited articles

This graph shows the 0-cited-articles 'trend' for the years 2017-2021 for IF Year 2022 (vs. total number of published articles)

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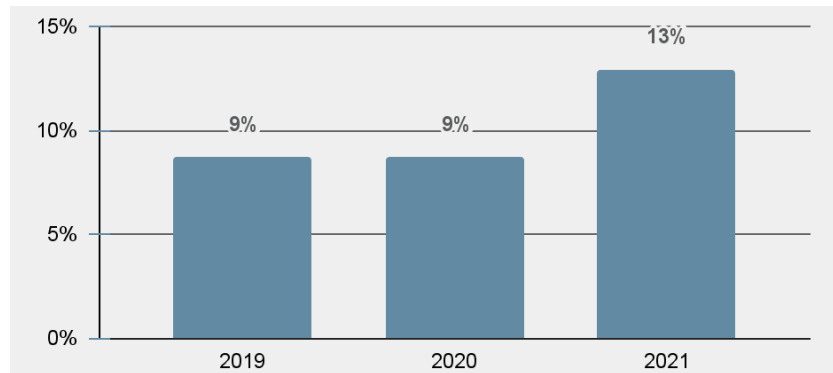
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JRC Impact Factor 2022 – Top ranking highest cited 2020-2021 articles for IF Year 2022

Title	Author	Type	Date	DOI	Total Citations*	Citations For IF 2022
Consumer stated preferences for dairy products with carbon footprint labels in Italy	Canavari, Maurizio; Coderoni, Silvia	Article	2020	10.1186/s40100-019-0149-1	47	13
Measuring circularity: an application of modified Material Circularity Indicator to agricultural systems	Rocchi, L.; Paolotti, L.; Cortina, C.; Fagioli, F. F.; Boggia, A.	Article	2021	10.1186/s40100-021-00182-8	21	12
EU wine policy in the framework of the CAP: post-2020 challenges	Pomarici, Eugenio; Sardone, Roberta	Review	2020	10.1186/s40100-020-00159-z	26	11
Economic benefits of livestock management in Ghana	Adams, Faizal; Ohene-Yankyera, Kwasi; Aidoo, Robert; Wongnaa, Camillus Abawiera	Article	2021	10.1186/s40100-021-00191-7	13	10
Food consumption patterns, nutrient adequacy, and the food systems in Nigeria	Mekonnen, Daniel A.; Trijsburg, Laura; Achterbosch, Thom; Brouwer, Inge D.; Kennedy, Gina; Linderhof, Vincent; …	Article	2021	10.1186/s40100-021-00188-2	13	9
Does market access improve dietary diversity and food security? Evidence from Southwestern Ethiopian smallholder coffee producers	Usman, Muhammed Abdella; Callo-Concha, Daniel	Article	2021	10.1186/s40100-021-00190-8	22	8
Alternative food shoppers and the quantity dilemma: a study on the determinants of their purchases at alternative markets	Cicatiello, Clara	Article	2020	10.1186/s40100-020-00160-6	16	8
Women in household decision-making and implications for dietary quality in Bhutan	Sariyev, Orkhan; Loos, Tim K.; Zeller, Manfred; Gurung, Tulsi	Article	2020	10.1186/s40100-020-00158-0	12	8
Farmer-herder conflicts, tenure insecurity and farmer's investment decisions in Agogo, Ghana	Kugbega, Selorm Kobla; Aboagye, Prince Young	Article	2021	10.1186/s40100-021-00186-4	10	8

*Data available as of 2002

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Impact
Social Impact

Additional research-impact indices, known as alternative metrics, are offering new evaluation alternatives. One of those is a researchers' reputation made via their footprint on the social web. Below are the number of article mentions in the social web in the years 2018-2020, provided by Altmetric. They monitor article mentions on Twitter, Facebook, Google+, Reddit, Blogs, news outlets and Faculty of 1000 reviews. Articles can only be counted if the DOI is included in the article.

	2020	2021	2022
News Stories	13	20	
Tweets	111	74	55
Facebook posts			1
Blog Posts	1	2	1
Other		6	8
Total number of mentions	125	102	68
Total number of research outputs	19	24	23

Impact
Altmetric Top 10 – 2022

Altmetric

How is the Altmetric score calculated?

The score is a weighted count of the different sources (newspaper stories, tweets, blog posts, comments) that mention the paper.

Why is it weighted? To reflect the relative importance of each type of source. It's easy to imagine that the average newspaper story is more likely to bring attention to the paper than the average tweet. This is reflected in the default weightings.

News	Blogs	Q&A forums	Twitter	Google+	Facebook
8	5	2.5	1	1	0.25

Score	Title	Author(s)	Publication Date
34	The new CAP must be linked more closely to the UN Sustainable Development Goals	Alan Matthews	03-08-2020
19	The cost of healthier and more sustainable food choices: Do plant-based consumers spend more on food?	Daniel Francisco Pais, António Cardoso Marques, José Alberto Fuinhas	26-07-2022
16	Leveraging farm production diversity for dietary diversity: evidence from national level panel data	Sayla Khandoker, Alka Singh, Shivendra Kumar Srivastava	23-05-2022
12	Determinants of food insecurity in the rural farm households in South Wollo Zone of Ethiopia: the case of the Teleyayen sub-watershed	Alem-meta Assefa Agidew, K. N. Singh	05-06-2018
7	Weather index insurance for managing drought risk in smallholder agriculture: lessons and policy implications for sub-Saharan Africa	Million A. Tadesse, Bekele A. Shiferaw, Olaf Erenstein	30-11-2015

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