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## **JARE Editor's Report for 1997-99**

Since beginning editorial responsibilities at the University of Nevada on 15 September 1997, 213 manuscripts had been processed by 15 June 1999. Of these, 50 were originally submitted under the previous editor who had already accepted 16 for publication, and subsequently 13 more of them were published.

As of 15 June 1999, 144 new submissions have undergone (at least) a first review. Of these, 41 manuscripts have been published or accepted for publication, 56 have been rejected, 31 are inactive, and 16 are under revision. Depending upon how many of those under revision are subsequently accepted, the acceptance rate could vary from 28% to 40%. It is likely that the final acceptance rate will be in the upper end of this range because some inactive manuscripts will likely be resubmitted and ultimately published. Average time from first receipt of a manuscript to transmission of the editor's report for the 144 submissions is 61 days. Currently, 19 manuscripts are under first review.

Carey Wilson resigned as editorial assistant last August and has been replaced by Nicola Wieseke. Because Ms. Wieseke has not yet been trained in the use of Microsoft's Front Page, we have not been able to update the *Journal's* website. This situation will be remedied by the fall, and I apologize for this lapse.

*Journal* production has been proceeding ahead of schedule thanks to the dedication and skill of our technical editor, Judith Harrison. I believe our transition to total desktop publishing has been an unqualified success. Some changes in format and cover art work were introduced with the December 1998 issue, and member input has been generally quite positive.

The editor wishes to acknowledge the many helpful contributions of our Secretary/Treasurer E. Bruce Godfrey, the support and involvement of Editorial Council members, and the assistance of the numerous able reviewers who so generously share their time and expertise.

Respectfully submitted,

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JANE ANN BONDURANT, "An Analysis of the Cottonseed Pricing Structure in Texas," Texas Tech University.

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JAMES JOHNSON, VINCENT SMITH, GARY BRESTER, and DUANE GRIFFITH (Montana State University). "Management, Marketing, and Trade Issues Affecting Montana Agriculture."

RODNEY JONES, TERRY KASTENS, JAMES MINTERT, and WILLIAM I. TIERNEY, JR. (Kansas State University). "Bridging the Gap: Linking Extension Clientele Groups to Research."

### **Outstanding Published Research**

JOSEPH A. ATWOOD (Montana State University) and GLENN A. HELMERS (University of Nebraska). "Examining Quantity and Quality Effects of Restricting Nitrogen Applications to Feedgrains." *American Journal of Agricultural Economics* 80(May 1998):369-381.

### **JARE Published Research Award**

TIMOTHY J. RICHARDS and PAUL M. PATTERSON (Arizona State University East). "Dynamic Complementarity in Export Promotion: The Market Access Program in Fruits and Vegetables." *Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics* 23,2(December 1998):319-337.

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