



Editorial

The impact factor and ranking of the *Journal of Socio-Economics*

Authors and others often want to obtain quantitative measures of journals' quality and to know how different journals compare in these measures. Two common databases that track systematically citation data of journals and compute measures of quality based on these data are Journal Citation Reports in ISI Web of Knowledge (JCR), and SCImago Journal & Country Rank (SCImago), which is based on the Scopus database. Each of the two databases includes many journals in economics and the overlap between the two databases is very large. The correlation between impact factors in SCImago and JCR is very large (about 0.99 in a sample I took of 64 economics journals). I cannot present here a JCR impact

factor of the *Journal of Socio-Economics* because the journal is not yet included in JCR (I do not know for what reasons). However, I present below information about the 2-year and 3-year impact factors, as well as total cites to articles published over the last three years and *H*-index, for the *Journal of Socio-Economics* as well as a few dozens of other economics journals, for comparison (mostly general-interest journals or journals in fields related to the main fields of the *Journal of Socio-Economics*). The table is sorted in a decreasing order of the 2-Year Impact Factor. I hope that this information will be helpful for you if you need to quantitatively evaluate the quality of the *Journal of Socio-Economics*.

| Title | H index | Total cites (to 3 last years) | 2-Year Impact Factor | 3-Year Impact Factor |
|---|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <i>Econometrica</i> | 98 | 661 | 3.37 | 3.78 |
| <i>Journal of Political Economy</i> | 96 | 402 | 3.08 | 4.47 |
| <i>American Economic Review</i> | 135 | 2,350 | 2.94 | 3.71 |
| <i>Judgment and Decision Making</i> | 14 | 476 | 2.69 | 2.82 |
| <i>Journal of Behavioral Decision Making</i> | 39 | 264 | 2.54 | 2.87 |
| <i>Economic Journal</i> | 80 | 722 | 2.12 | 2.77 |
| <i>International Economic Review</i> | 49 | 268 | 1.82 | 1.90 |
| <i>European Economic Review</i> | 68 | 386 | 1.81 | 2.00 |
| <i>Cambridge Journal of Economics</i> | 37 | 323 | 1.78 | 1.85 |
| <i>Journal of Risk and Uncertainty</i> | 38 | 166 | 1.72 | 2.31 |
| <i>RAND Journal of Economics</i> | 57 | 229 | 1.62 | 1.92 |
| <i>Journal of Economics and Management Strategy</i> | 35 | 155 | 1.43 | 1.41 |
| <i>Journal of Econometrics</i> | 80 | 832 | 1.4 | 2.07 |
| <i>Journal of Economic Psychology</i> | 38 | 396 | 1.36 | 1.88 |
| <i>Journal of Economic Theory</i> | 54 | 446 | 1.35 | 1.38 |
| <i>Journal of Neuroscience, Psychology, and Economics</i> | 5 | 28 | 1.35 | 1.17 |
| <i>Oxford Economic Papers</i> | 35 | 152 | 1.34 | 1.36 |
| <i>Experimental Economics</i> | 21 | 171 | 1.33 | 2.16 |
| <i>Journal of Evolutionary Economics</i> | 30 | 118 | 1.23 | 1.26 |
| <i>Economica</i> | 33 | 162 | 1.22 | 1.42 |
| <i>Journal of Industrial Economics</i> | 46 | 146 | 1.21 | 1.36 |
| <i>Journal of Money, Credit and Banking</i> | 51 | 350 | 1.17 | 1.39 |
| <i>Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization</i> | 52 | 755 | 1.17 | 1.35 |
| <i>Kyklos</i> | 29 | 161 | 1.15 | 1.68 |
| <i>Labour Economics</i> | 33 | 299 | 1.13 | 1.28 |
| <i>Economic Inquiry</i> | 38 | 214 | 1.12 | 1.22 |
| <i>Games and Economic Behavior</i> | 48 | 435 | 1.1 | 1.26 |
| <i>Journal of Law and Economics</i> | 42 | 146 | 1.08 | 1.59 |
| <i>Journal of Economic Dynamics & Control</i> | 44 | 546 | 1.04 | 1.24 |
| <i>International Journal of Industrial Organization</i> | 41 | 308 | 0.99 | 1.34 |
| <i>Public Choice</i> | 33 | 427 | 0.96 | 1.23 |
| <i>Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization</i> | 35 | 67 | 0.95 | 1.05 |
| <i>Econometrics Journal</i> | 9 | 71 | 0.85 | 0.85 |
| <i>Contemporary Economic Policy</i> | 26 | 92 | 0.78 | 0.74 |
| <i>Economic and Social Review</i> | 13 | 42 | 0.76 | 0.74 |
| <i>Southern Economic Journal</i> | 27 | 164 | 0.75 | 0.90 |
| Journal of Socio-Economics | 24 | 319 | 0.74 | 0.90 |
| <i>Canadian Journal of Economics</i> | 36 | 188 | 0.7 | 1.03 |
| <i>Journal of Macroeconomics</i> | 20 | 186 | 0.68 | 0.75 |

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| <i>Empirical Economics</i> | 28 | 203 | 0.66 | 1.00 |
| <i>Economic Theory</i> | 29 | 207 | 0.64 | 0.68 |
| <i>Theory and Decision</i> | 18 | 85 | 0.63 | 0.71 |
| <i>Managerial and Decision Economics</i> | 17 | 133 | 0.63 | 1.07 |
| <i>BE Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy</i> | 10 | 175 | 0.62 | 0.75 |
| <i>Scandinavian Journal of Economics</i> | 33 | 117 | 0.58 | 0.98 |
| <i>Eastern Economic Journal</i> | 6 | 62 | 0.54 | 0.67 |
| <i>Economics Letters</i> | 44 | 644 | 0.53 | 0.65 |
| <i>Journal of Economics</i> | 18 | 60 | 0.5 | 0.50 |
| <i>Applied Economics</i> | 39 | 525 | 0.49 | 0.63 |
| <i>Review of Social Economy</i> | 13 | 31 | 0.49 | 0.53 |
| <i>Mathematical Social Sciences</i> | 20 | 114 | 0.48 | 0.61 |
| <i>Journal of Post Keynesian Economics</i> | 16 | 63 | 0.41 | 0.64 |
| <i>Journal of Economic Education</i> | 21 | 42 | 0.36 | 0.41 |
| <i>Journal of Economic Issues</i> | 22 | 82 | 0.35 | 0.41 |
| <i>International Journal of Game Theory</i> | 23 | 77 | 0.33 | 0.58 |
| <i>Manchester School</i> | 22 | 54 | 0.33 | 0.43 |
| <i>Applied Economics Letters</i> | 23 | 299 | 0.31 | 0.34 |
| <i>Journal of Mathematical Economics</i> | 22 | 111 | 0.3 | 0.42 |
| <i>Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics</i> | 18 | 40 | 0.29 | 0.31 |
| <i>Research in Experimental Economics</i> | 5 | 29 | 0.29 | 1.81 |
| <i>American Journal of Economics and Sociology</i> | 17 | 63 | 0.27 | 0.40 |
| <i>International Journal of Social Economics</i> | 16 | 59 | 0.26 | 0.30 |
| <i>Social and Economic Studies</i> | 1 | 7 | 0.05 | 0.11 |
| <i>The Forum for Social Economics</i> | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |

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