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Jonathan Karpoff Paul Malatesta

# Table 1 JFQA Submission and Disposition of Manuscripts, 1990–1993

	For the 12 months ended September 30			
	<u>1990</u>	<u>1991</u>	<u> 1992</u>	<u>1993</u>
Papers in process at the beginning of the year	124	126	148	109
Submissions:				
New submissions	298	304	339	335
Resubmissions	104	86	94	73
Total submissions	<u>402</u>	<u>390</u>	<u>433</u>	<u>408</u>
Total available for evaluation	526	516	581	517
Disposition of manuscripts:				
Reject	267	268	354	321
Reject with invitation to resubmit	85	58	72	76
Accept	48	42	46	32
Number for which evaluation was completed	<u>400</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>472</u>	<u>429</u>
Papers still in process on September 30	126	148	109	88
Acceptance rate	12.0%	11.4%	9.7%	7.5%

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