Report of the Editor of *The Journal of Business Inquiry*
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The Year 2012 was another good year for *The Journal of Business Inquiry (JBI)*. Volume 11 published four articles and one book review. We received many high-quality papers with 55 percent of acceptance rate. The articles were written by authors whose primary affiliations include 10 institutions from three countries, including India, Tunisia and the U.S. Turnaround time took, with almost 55 percent of the editorial decisions, less than 30 days, 22 percent between 30 and 180 days, 23 percent, between 181 and 360 days.

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