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For the Year 2011, Volume 10

The Year 2011 was another good year for The Journal of Business Inquiry (JBI). Volume 10 published 9 articles. We received many high-quality papers with 60 percent of acceptance rate. The articles were written by authors, whose primary affiliations include 14 institutions from 3 countries, including Canada, Tunisia and the US. Turnaround time took, with almost 27 percent of the editorial decisions, less than 30 days, 33 percent between 30 and 60 days, 27 percent, between 60 and 90 days, and 13 percent more than 90 days.

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