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Background Information

- Official journal of the Canadian Association on Gerontology/Association canadienne de gérontologie (CAG/Acg)
- First published in 1981
- Bilingual – English and French
- Publish articles in language of submission with translation of abstract (~20%-25% French)
- Quarterly: 4 issues per year (8-10 articles/issue)
- Paper + Online publication
- International submissions encouraged.
- Publisher: Cambridge University Press (2009-)
- 5-Year Impact Factor: 0.891 (2007-2011)

Scope/Type of Articles Published

- **Regular Paper Submissions:**
 - Multidisciplinary: publishes manuscripts on aging concerned with biology, health sciences, psychology, social sciences, social policy and practice.
 - Encourages submissions reporting original research, as well as conceptual + theoretical papers that significantly advance knowledge in gerontology.
 - Maximum length: 10,000 words + References, Tables, etc.
- **Research Notes + Policy and Practice Notes:**
 - Brief research/policy/practice report with theoretical, policy or practice implications.
 - Maximum length: 5,000 words + References, Tables, etc.
- **Book Reviews:**
 - Solicited + submitted
 - Suggested length: 1500 words or less
- **Special Issues + Special Sections (occasional)**

Editorial Board

- **Editor-in-Chief:** M.J. Penning, Sociology, University of Victoria, BC
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- **Psychology:** Nicole Caza, Université de Montréal, Que.
- **Book Reviews:** Laura Funk, Sociology, University of Manitoba, MB.

The Submission and Review Process

- Success/Rejection Rate: ~40% of articles submitted are eventually accepted.
- Average number of days from submission to first decision: 6 weeks (42.5 days)
- Average number of days to decision of revised manuscripts is about 5 ½ weeks (39.1 days).
- Once accepted, articles are edited and submitted to production as soon as possible, then published as 'First View' articles on Cambridge Journals Online.
- Typically, articles are published within 1 year of original submission date.

Dissemination Process

- National + International
- Subscriptions
 - 7501 subscribers as of fall 2013. Vast majority (7406) were consortia subscriptions (whereby libraries join together to buy online subscriptions to a large number of journals)
 - CAG members (n=520) receive journal as part of membership fees
- Rental access of articles to nonsubscribers
- CUP has its own online platform: CJO Online: in 2012, fulltext views was 21,941, a 15% increase from 2011.

Revenue

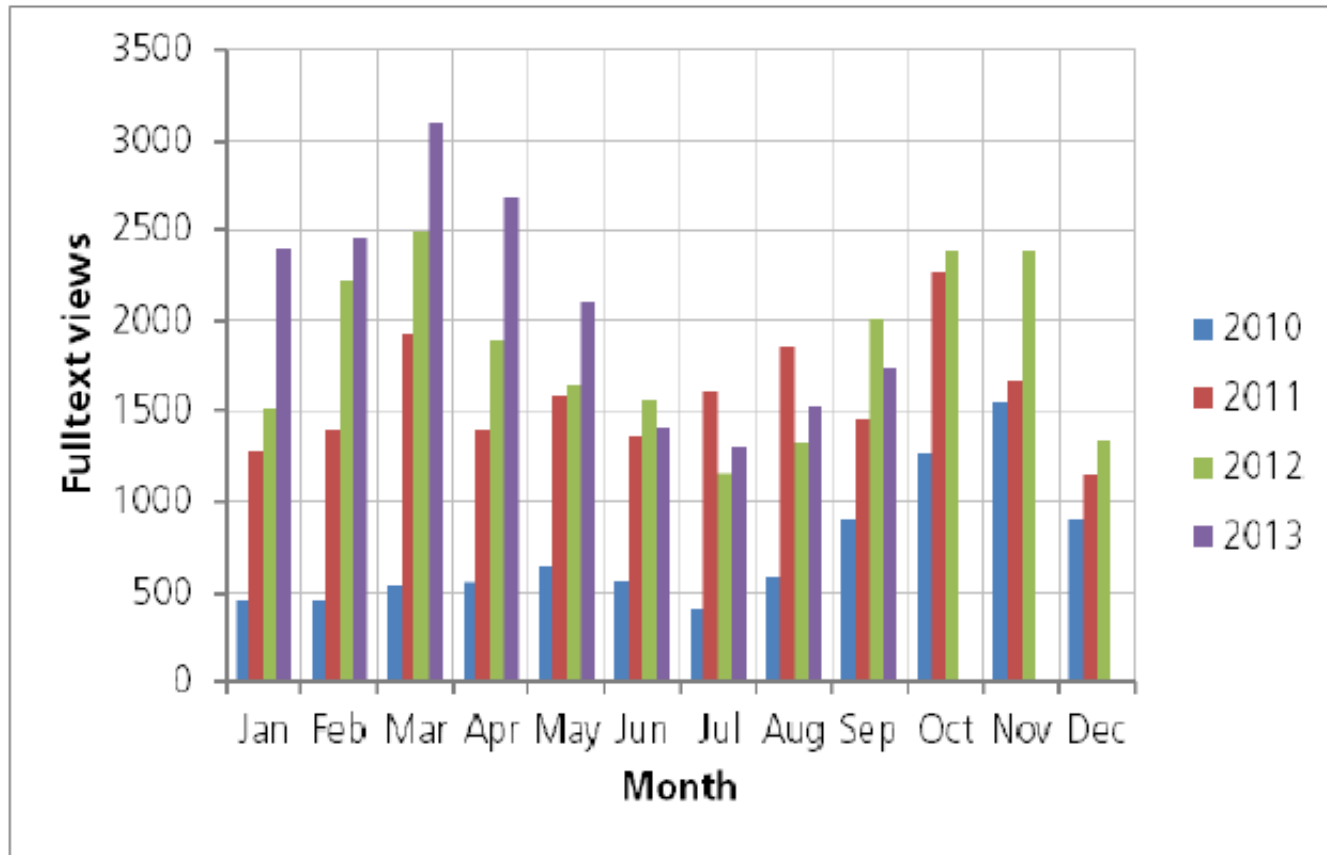
- The CJA/RCV currently receives operating revenues from three major sources:
 - (1) royalties from journal sales (subscriptions);
 - (2) a SSHRC Aid to Scholarly Journals grant;
and
 - (3) an agreement with the CIHR Institute on Aging.

New Directions

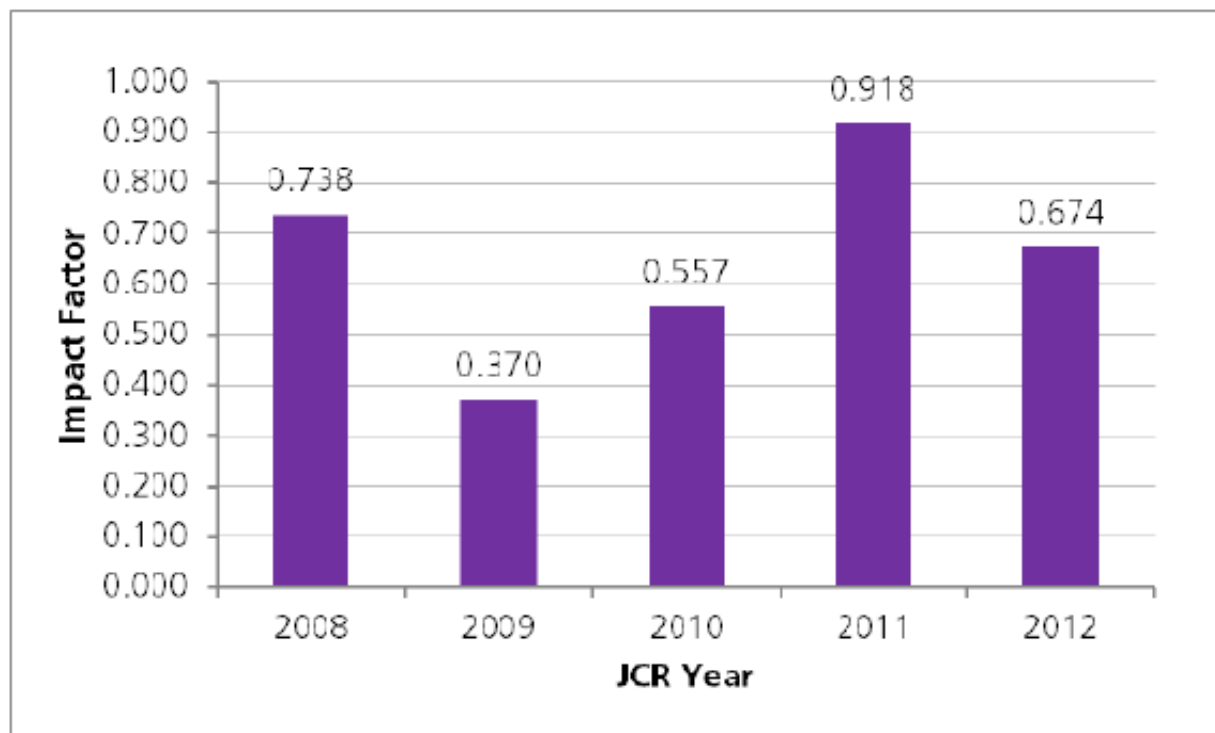
- Open Access – authors pay a fee to allow for open access to articles.
- Online only access for members – no paper journal.

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Online Fulltext Views

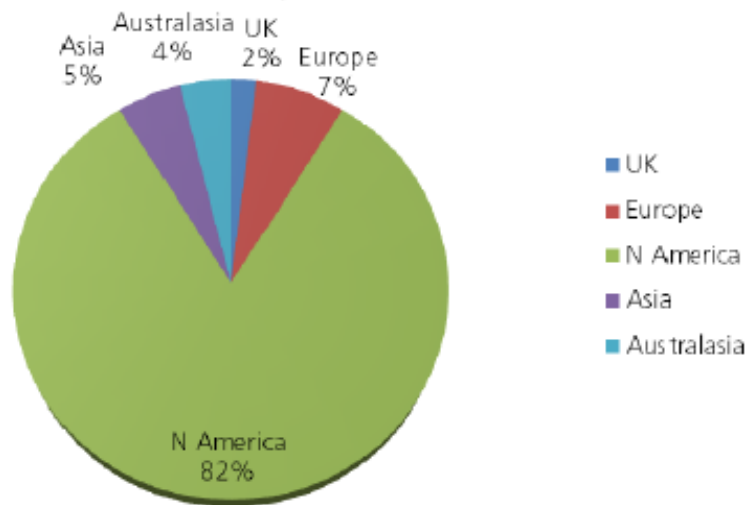


Canadian Journal on Aging Impact Factor Trend



- The total number of articles to be published in 2013 is 42 (31 research articles, 4 research/policy and practice notes, 6 Book Reviews , 1 CIHR Editorial).
- Manuscript flow also remains healthy. In 2011, 92 manuscripts were submitted to the journal.

Geographical Breakdown of institutions with a traditional subscription to CJA, 2012



Geographical breakdown of institutions with access to CJA through consortia, 2012

