Investigating the Application of serial Publications in scientific Output of Faculty Members in Human Sciences Departments of Shiraz University during 1998 and 2007

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Abstract
The present study aims to determine and investigate the contribution of serial publications in scientific output of faculty members in human sciences departments (departments of Literature and Human Sciences, Educational Sciences, Social Sciences, Management, and Economics) of Shiraz University indexed in “Web of Science” during 1998 and 2007. The statistical population included 1067 citations in 51 articles indexed in citation indices SSCI and A&HCI. This study has been carried out by citation analysis method. In the present research, contribution of serial publications in comparison with other information resources, language of the cited publications, amount of referencing to journals with ranking in journals citation report (JCR), determination of core journals based on Bradford law, and concordance of the list of journals with highest number of citations with the similar list of Shiraz University. The obtained results showed that the serial publications have a significant role in generation of scientific information by faculty members of Human Sciences Departments in Shiraz University, such that citing these resources is 68%.

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