

**DEPARTMENT**

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**BENCHMARKS**

**In most instances, accounting journal rankings follow the Bristol Business School and other British universities. In other cases, University of Queensland and Monash university rankings were followed.**

**Australian accounting journals are ranked in reverse order to British journal rankings.**

British rankings are in reverse order to GBS ranking, as illustrated  
GBS ranking – 1 (Tier 1), 2 (Tier 2) and so on  
All British rankings – 4 (Tier 1), 3 (Tier 2) and so on

**Monash**

The Monash Journal Listing was developed by synthesising ranking lists from a number of reputable sources. Accounting journals have been placed into deciles with 1 the highest, and the top 24 journals have been ranked.

**Bristol**

Bristol rankings have been extracted from lists in general circulation within the UK academic community. The "scores" have been standardized on a 1-4 scale, where 1 is low and 4 is high. A 4 grade signals "top international", a 3 grade signals "international", a 2 grade signals "top national", and a 1 grade "national". Any journal with a 4, 3, 2 or 1 grade follows a peer review process for articles submitted. As a general rule, the higher the grade, the stricter the process and the tougher the standards applied. Journals in the "world elite" class apply the very highest standards for review.

**University of Queensland**

The UQ Quality List of March 2005, was constructed in three stages:

- construction of a mega-database (over 2,000 titles) based on ratings and rankings from over 120 sources.
- allocation of each title to one of 5 tiers (1 = highest, 5 = lowest) on the basis of the second highest rating from the rating/ranking sources (ie. The rating must be from at least two sources).
- the data base was supplied to the six discipline cluster leaders in the school as a resource that they could use to construct the official list (which comprises 588 journals). They could use the mega-database or any other source to justify each journal's rating.

Tier	Journal Title	BBS 04 1* to 4*	Warwick 03 1* to 4*	Imperial 04 1* to 4*	Cran- field 04 1* to 4*	Aston 03 1* to 4*	LBS Top Journals 4*	Mon- ash	UQ	Citation Impact Factor 2002	Citation Impact Factor 2003	No. of RAE Items in 2001	Mean RAE Score in 2001 1 to 5.5
1	Accounting Review	4	4	4	4	4	4	-	-	1.69	1.453	0	-
1	Accounting, Organisations & Society	4	4	4	4	4	4	-	-	0.62	0.565	24	4.85
1	Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory	2	-	-	-	4	-	1	2	-	-	-	-
1	Behavioural Research in Accounting	4	4	4	3	4	-	2	2	-	-	0	-
1	Contemporary Accounting Research	3	-	-	3	4	-	1	1	-	-	3	5.00
1	Journal of Accounting & Economics	4	3	3	4	3	4	-	-	1.61	3.844	3	5.50
1	Journal of Accounting, Auditing & Finance	4	4	3	3	4	-	2	2	-	-	2	5.25
1	Journal of Accounting Research	4	4	4	4	4	4	-	-	1.40	1.524	2	5.50
1	Journal of Business Finance & Accounting	3	3	3	2	3	-	1	2	-	-	65	4.65
1	Management Accountin Research	4	4	3	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	27	4.48
2	Abacus	3	-	-	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	Accounting and Busines Research	3	3	3	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	36	4.72
2	Accounting and Finance	3	3	3	2	3	-	2	2	-	-	0	-
2	Accounting Horizons	3	4	3	3	4	4	2	2	-	-	0	-
2	Accounting, Auditing & Accountability Journal	4	4	3	2	4	-	3	4	-	-	29	4.29
2	British Accounting Review	3	3	3	2	-	-	3	2	-	-	32	4.13

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2	Critical Perspectives on Accounting	4	4	4	2	4	-	3	3	-	-		
2	Financial Accountability & Management	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	27	4.07
2	Journal of Accounting Literature	4	4	4	3	4	-	2	3	-	-	0	-
2	Journal of Accounting & Public Policy	3	-	-	3	4	-	2	2	-	-	4	4.25
2	Journal of Management Accounting Research (AAA)	3	-	-	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	3.50
2	Review of Accounting Studies	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-
3	Accounting Education	3	4	4	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	13	3.58
3	Advances in Accounting	3	4	4	3	-	-	6	-	-	-	0	
3	Advances in International Accounting	3	4	4	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	1	5.00
3	Advances in Management Accounting	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-
3	European Accounting Review	3	4	3	2	-	-	4	3	-	-	21	4.12
3	International Journal of Accounting	4	4	4	2	-	-	7	4	-	-	11	4.36
3	International Journal of Accounting Information Systems		-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
3	International Journal of Auditing	2	2	3	1	-	-	4	3	-	-	8	4.13

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3	Issues in Accounting Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-
3	Journal of Business Ethics	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
4	Accounting, Accountability & Performance	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-
4	Accounting & Business Review	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
4	Accounting Research Journal	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	4	-	-	-	-
4	Asia Pacific Journal of Accounting & Economics	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3	-	-	-	-
4	Australian Accounting Review	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-
4	International Accounting Journal	4	4	4	2	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
4	Internal Auditing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
4	Journal of Applied Accounting Research	2	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	10	3.80
4	Managerial Auditing Journal	2	2	2	-	2	-	7	4	-	-	-	-
4	Pacific Accounting Review	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	4	-	-	-	-
4	Review of Quantitative Finance & Accounting	3	-	-	3	-	-	3	4	-	-	3	4.00
5	Accounting Forum	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	5	-	-	3	3.83
5	Accounting History	3	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	6	4.42

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5	Accounting, Business & Financial History	3	2	2	-	-	-	5	5	-	-	12	4.67
5	Advances in Public Interest Accounting	2	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-
5	Asian Review of Accounting	1	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	1	3.50
5	Australian Journal of Accounting Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-
5	China Accounting & Finance Review	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
5	Cost Management	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	-
5	Information & Organization ( <i>formerly Accounting, Management &amp; Information Technologies</i> )	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
5	Irish Accounting Review	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4.00
5	Journal of Academy of Business & Economics	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Journal of Forensic Accounting	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Journal of International Accounting, Auditing & Taxation	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	1	4.00
5	Journal of International Accounting Research	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-

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5	Journal of International Financial Management & Accounting	3	-	-	-	-	-	9	5	-	-	4	4.63
5	Journal of Accounting & Organizational Change	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Journal of Accounting Education	3	4	3	-	-	-	4	5	-	-	0	-
5	Research in Government & Non-Profit Accounting	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	5	-	-	-	-
5	The Malaysian Accounting Review	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-