

From the CSBIGS Editor

It is with great pleasure and with many thanks to authors, reviewers and the editorial team that we present Volume 1 Number 2 of **CSBIGS (Case Studies in Business, Industry and Government Statistics)**. We hope that you will enjoy reading the cases in this issue and will get a chance to work with the datasets graciously shared by the authors. CSBIGS encourages the use of its cases for teaching, training or other purposes with proper acknowledgment.

The policy of the journal is indeed to provide readers with the data used in the cases, masked when necessary. Please consider contributing a case to CSBIGS; if you would like to write a case but have no data, please contact us as we might be able to provide a dataset. Instructions to authors are available on the CSBIGS web site at www.bentley.edu/csbig.

This issue contains a wide variety of cases, ranging from cases involved with survey sampling, storm prediction, satisfaction with the gearbox in your car, air pollution, grapevine diseases, fire department emergencies, air conditioning duct leakages, to a study of the Wright brothers' flight logs.

Many thanks are in order to co-editor Christine Thomas who organized a case competition held in June 2007 at the annual meeting of the French Statistical Society in Angers, France. You will have a chance to read very interesting cases from this competition in this issue of CSBIGS.

We also wish to express our gratitude to Bentley for supporting the journal and to all those who helped format the papers.

Last but not least, should you wish to join the editorial team, please contact us and attach a resume; your help is needed and will be very much appreciated.

Please do send us emails of colleagues whom we should add to the CSBIGS mailing list. The more we get the word out, the more CSBIGS is cited and the happier we all are! Thank you!

With best wishes,

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