ENVIRONMENT AND/ OR ECONOMICS - A BIBLIOMETRIC PERSPECTIVE(1989-2021)

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ABSTRACT:

The current paper is an examination of published research works on the broad theme of environment as dealt in published research works in economics. Generally, it is observed that the theme of environment falls at the other end of the spectrum when economic activities are analysed. This lends the theme a more significant perspective to be examined as environment-natural and anthropogenic, forms the base of any economic activity. Besides, economic pursuits are in many ways considered antagonistic to environment, thereby creating environmental issues. In the present examination, the multiple aspects of environment as dealt in various forms in published research in economics discipline are examined through the Web of Science database for the time period of record from 1989-2021. The bibliometric analysis is supplemented with the results derived from VOS Viewer software on bibliometric aspects. Results indicate that the nature of interpretation of environment is not clearly visible in publications; although there are publications from diverse backgrounds dealing with both economics and environment. Further, the discipline of economics is the main contributor of publications on the topic but the relationship as exhibited between the two themes relates more to a supply chain kind of environment in a lab or factory kind of setting. Observations on natural environment don't find a significant mention.

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