

## **Best Paper Award Announced by the *International Institute of Forecasters***

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In its December 2004 issue, the *International Journal of Forecasting* announced the best paper as selected by the Editors and Associate Editors. Papers must have been published at least three years ago, to allow time for reflection. In this case, all papers that were published in the 2000 and 2001 volumes of the *IJF* were eligible. The winning paper is McCullough (2000), "Is it safe to assume that software is accurate?" *IJF*, 16, 349-357. The answer is "No." Not only are there serious errors in the programs, but they remain long after they have been identified.

For the first time in this series of awards, the IIF also announced three "Outstanding Papers." Thanks to permission from Elsevier, all four papers are provided in full-text (along with winning papers from prior years) on the " Journals" page of <http://forecastingprinciples.com>.