This section also describes the time course of the total publications from Iraq. Analysis of publications from Iraq in scientific databases showed marked changes in the number of publications during the period January 1, 1969 to August 10, 1991. Figure 1 shows the pattern of publications in BIOSIS and CA Search. It should be noted that this figure gives the total annual Iraqi publications in each respective database. Thus, in the major biological database BIOSIS, there were no publications from Iraq between 1969 and 1974. Starting in 1975, there was rapid increase in biological publications which peaked in 1979 at over 180 publications. After the peak, the number of publications declined by over 50% by 1983.

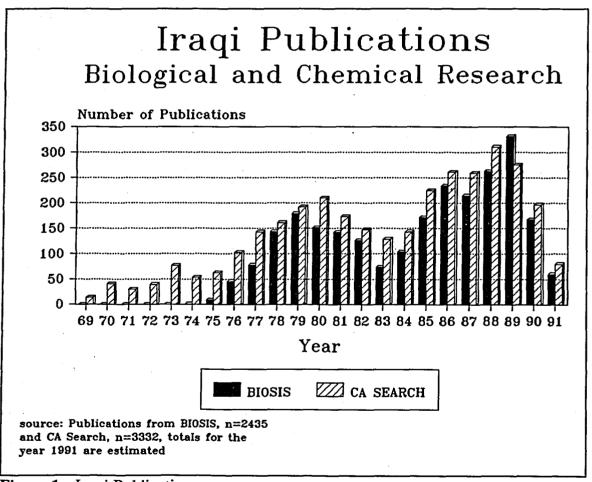


Figure 1. Iraqi Publications