

Abstract

The research aims to measure the efficiency of Islamic and commercial banks in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) for the period 2004-2011 using data envelopment analysis and comparison between the them, the study used annual data for the five Islamic banks and eleven commercial banks in (UAE) ,and estimate the technical efficiency for constant returns to scale (CRS) and variable returns to scale (VRS), the results showed that Islamic banks are more efficient than commercial banks the mean technical efficiency (CRS) were (0.737) for Traditional Banks and (0.765) for Islamic Banks.