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Highlights:

- On October 22, 2008, FinCEN published Issue 14 of *The SAR Activity Review – Trends, Tips & Issues*. The report is the result of continuing dialogue and close collaboration among the nation's financial institutions, law enforcement officials and regulatory agencies to provide meaningful information about the preparation, use and value of Suspicious Activity Reports (SARs) filed by financial institutions.
- The current issue of the publication can be accessed at http://www.fincen.gov/sarreviewissue14.pdf. (PDF Help)
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