

Guidelines for IPRC Best Policy Brief

A Policy Brief should be between 900-1000 words and have the following structure:

[Without subtitles]

Introduction (2 paragraphs, ~250 words)

- Background (3-4 sentences)
- Definition of the problem (3-5 sentences)
- Purpose of the study (2-3 sentences)

Data and methods (2 paragraphs, ~250 words)

- Research question or hypothesis (3-4 sentences)
- Data sources (2-3 sentences)
- Definition of variables of interest (3-4 sentences)
- Methods/techniques (2-3 sentences)

Discussion of results (2 paragraphs, ~250 words)

- Graphs and tables
- Interpretation of key results (2-3 sentences)
- Policy implications of results (5-7 sentences)

Conclusion (2 paragraphs, ~250 words)

- Brief summary of findings and recommendations (4-6 sentences)