

**Methodology for Policy Analysis**  
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**Abstract**

This paper attempts to advance the non-concluded debate on the difference between Basic Research and Policy Research and Analysis. It emphasizes that: there are differences in the philosophy, the process and the product of both sides of the debate; researchers are professionally at liberty to use whichever method they deem appropriate and concludes by stating that “policy implications; and analysts must professionally go beyond policy implications and state policy options, outputs and outcomes/impacts. It presents an array of usable methodologies and concludes that policy analysts have not succeeded in developing a compelling and intellectual robust analytical methodology for their vocation.