

Choices Publication Guidelines

Choices magazine and *Policy Issues* articles are outreach vehicles of the Agricultural & Applied Economics Association and are designed to provide current coverage regarding economic and policy implications of food, farm, resource, or rural community issues directed toward a broad audience. Please adhere closely to the following publication guidelines which generally apply to all submissions:

- There are three types of papers sought for this outreach program: *Choices* special theme articles, *Choices* Submitted Articles (not connected to a particular theme), and timely *Policy Issues* papers for posting separately from *Choices*.
- Please contact editor Walt Armbruster with suggestions for *Choices* special themes, which are customarily organized by guest editors. Information is available by contacting walt@farmfoundation.org.
- Questions regarding *Policy Issues* papers may also be submitted to Walt Armbruster at walt@farmfoundation.org.
- Authors interested in submitting a Submitted Article to *Choices* may contact James Novak at NOVAKJL@auburn.edu.
- Interested writers are encouraged to explore the *Choices* publication at <http://www.choicesmagazine.org/magazine/issue.php>
- All papers at all stages must have a separate title page with the following: title of the article, author(s)' names, and contact information. More detailed title pages are required upon acceptance of an article. See the style guidelines for specifics at that stage.
- Prior to submitting any paper, please note the following: Papers are short— generally limited to **no more than 10 double-spaced (12pt font) pages in all, with 8 preferred.**
- Papers should be in Word format, preferably Word 2003. Papers are **not** to be in a PDF format.
- **Authors should access the style guidelines, reference guidelines, and guidelines for tables, charts and figures for additional, specific information regarding their article. Those documents are found on the *Choices* website, <http://www.choicesmagazine.org/submissions.htm>**
- Topic treatment is nontechnical, does not contain mathematics or detailed graphical economics, and does not dwell on models or methodology.
- More qualitative presentations are expected, with graphics preferred over tables.
- Graphics should be limited in number; please see the *Choices* Figures and Tables Guidelines posted on the *Choices* website for format.
- Footnotes and endnotes are not permitted in this publication to help in reaching a broad audience rather than a targeted academic one.
- References should follow American Psychological Association (APA) style, including parenthetical references (author, date) in the text as needed. The reference list, entitled “**For More Information:**” should be in alphabetical order by author name. For examples of the format of this section, please see the *Choices* References Guidelines document.

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