

Economic Impacts (2019)

Agricultural and related industries generate

27,122 jobs (20.9% of total) in St. Lucie County.

\$1.68 billion in Gross Regional Product.

18.3% contribution to Gross Regional Product.
Based on an annual UF study

It is estimated that for every **\$1** invested in agricultural research and Extension, there is a return of **\$20** to the community.
Alston, Andersen et al. (2010)

Funding (FY 2022)

State funds for Extension **\$644,715 (42%)**
Federal funds for Extension **\$65,212 (4%)**
County funds for Extension **\$826,621 (54%)**

Volunteers (2022)

Number of volunteers **506**
Hours worked **44,641**
Dollar value of hours worked **\$1,419,586**

Giving (FY 2022)

Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county **1,017**
Current (1yr) donors residing in county **386**
Gifts to UF from county residents **\$178,085**
Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$5,595**

EXTENSION: 4-H youth life skills; Community Resource Development; Nutrition & food safety; Commercial & homeowner horticulture; Natural resource management; Fruit & alternative crops **COMMODITIES:** Citrus, ornamental and vegetable crops,

Client Satisfaction (2021)

Quality

84% Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness

78% Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

73% Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

65% Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Clientele Contacts (2022)

Field and office consultations **1,238**
Participants at group learning events **23,796**
Phone and email consultations **49,454**
Social media engagement **312,809**
Educational materials created **259**

Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2022)

Gallons of water saved by residents and landscapers **340,124,479**
No. of producers who adopted recommended practices **18,690**
No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters **55,285**

Students and Alumni (Fall 2022)

UF students from county **390**
CALs students from county **65**
UF alumni residing in county **2,345**
UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **355**

fisheries **RESEARCH:** Horticulture, post-harvest management, entomology, plant pathology, soil and water sciences, aquaculture, biological control of invasive plants and insects, pest management, plant root biology, water quality, and smart irrigation

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