

## Economic Impacts (2015)

Agricultural and related industries generate

**6,082** jobs (20.5% of total) in Columbia County.  
**\$282.0** million in Gross Regional Product.  
**14.4%** 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 2017)

State funds for Extension **\$778,164 (66%)**  
 Federal funds for Extension **\$74,287 (6%)**  
 County funds for Extension **\$330,828 (28%)**

## Volunteers (2016)

Number of volunteers **304**  
 Hours worked **8,223**  
 Dollar value of hours worked **\$198,503**

## Giving (FY 2016)

Recent donors residing in county **2,051**  
 FY 2016 donors residing in county **1,246**  
 Gifts to UF from county residents **\$420,266**  
 Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$3,808**

**EXTENSION:** 4-H; Nutrition & food safety; Agronomic crop sustainability; Financial management; Commercial & environmental horticulture; Natural resources; Sustainable ag for small farms; Livestock

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## Client Satisfaction (2015)

Quality

**92%** Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness

**80%** Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

**85%** Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

**70%** Clients who shared the information with someone else.

## Clientele Contacts (2016)

Field and office consultations **2,056**  
 Participants at group learning events **125,516**  
 Phone and email consultations **3,606**  
 Social media engagement **35,776**  
 Educational materials created **241**

## Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2016)

Clients reporting an increase in knowledge or skill **88%**  
 Clients reporting a change in behavior or attitude **71%**  
 Clients adopting best practices resulting in societal, economic, or environmental benefits to community **64%**

## Students and Alumni (Fall 2016)

UF students from county **158**  
 CALS students from county **26**  
 UF alumni residing in county **1,185**  
 UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **157**