

Economic Impacts (2015)

Agricultural and related industries generate

6,910 jobs (62.8% of total) in Hardee County.

\$444.8 million in Gross Regional Product.

55.7% 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 **\$390,922 (68%)**
Federal funds for Extension **\$37,319 (6%)**
County funds for Extension **\$150,247 (26%)**

Volunteers (2016)

Number of volunteers **167**
Hours worked **2,912**
Dollar value of hours worked **\$70,296**

Giving (FY 2016)

Recent donors residing in county **243**
FY 2016 donors residing in county **133**
Gifts to UF from county residents **\$56,603**
Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$25,315**

Client Satisfaction (2016)

Quality

94% Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness

84% Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

67% Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

65% Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Clientele Contacts (2016)

Field and office consultations **1,798**
Participants at group learning events **13,897**
Phone and email consultations **8,093**
Social media engagement **31,019**
Educational materials created **242**

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 **17**
CALs students from county **8**
UF alumni residing in county **168**
UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **93**

EXTENSION: 4-H youth, Alternative opportunities for small & part-time farmers, Home horticulture, Master Gardeners, Keeping waterways clean (Sea Grant)

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