**Economic Impacts (2015)**

Agricultural and related industries generate

199,200 jobs (19.8% of total) in Orange County.

$12.75 billion in Gross Regional Product.

15.0% 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. 

_Alsken, Andersen et al. (2010)_

**Funding (FY 2017)**

- State funds for Extension $1,445,739 (51%)
- Federal funds for Extension $138,018 (5%)
- County funds for Extension $1,245,613 (44%)

**Volunteers (2016)**

- Number of volunteers 801
- Hours worked 38,851
- Dollar value of hours worked $937,863

**Giving (FY 2016)**

- Recent donors residing in county 22,930
- FY 2016 donors residing in county 10,049
- Gifts to UF from county residents $11,491,177
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents $1,326,406

**Client Satisfaction (2015)**

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

- **Effectiveness**
  - Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...
    - Said it solved their problem or answered their question. 84%

- **Leverage**
  - Clients who shared the information with someone else. 74%

**Clientele Contacts (2016)**

- Field and office consultations 16,789
- Participants at group learning events 42,506
- Phone and email consultations 37,214
- Social media engagement 3,922,419
- Educational materials created 390

**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 2,957
- CALS students from county 254
- UF alumni residing in county 18,252
- UF/IFAS alumni residing in county 1,301

**EXTENSION:** Agriculture; Residential landscapes; Personal & family well-being; Commercial horticultural & urban forestry services; Nutrition, food safety & health; 4-H youth life skills

**COMMODITIES:** Tropical foliage, cut foliage, woody ornamental, grape, vegetables, citrus, blueberries, hops

**RESEARCH:** Plant development, production and protection of environmental horticulture, fruit crops

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