**Economic Impacts** (2015)

Agricultural and related industries generate

- **108,340** jobs (39.0% of total) in Polk County.
- **$7.90 billion** in Gross Regional Product.
- **38.7%** contribution to Gross Regional Product.

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: **$1,230,525** (58%)
- Federal funds for Extension: **$117,472** (6%)
- County funds for Extension: **$766,809** (36%)

**Volunteers** (2016)

- Number of volunteers: **828**
- Hours worked: **51,069**
- Dollar value of hours worked: **$1,232,806**

**Giving** (FY 2016)

- Recent donors residing in county: **6,588**
- FY 2016 donors residing in county: **3,424**
- Gifts to UF from county residents: **$4,059,719**
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents: **$485,376**

**Client Satisfaction** (2017)

- **Quality**
  - Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided: **90%**
- **Effectiveness**
  - Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...
    - Said it solved their problem or answered their question: **77%**
    - Said it solved their problem or answered their question: **73%**
- **Leverage**
  - Clients who shared the information with someone else: **62%**

**Clientele Contacts** (2016)

- Field and office consultations: **2,755**
- Participants at group learning events: **53,961**
- Phone and email consultations: **22,498**
- Social media engagement: **378,330**
- Educational materials created: **668**

**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: **744**
- CALS students from county: **108**
- UF alumni residing in county: **4,608**
- UF/IFAS alumni residing in county: **724**

**EXTENSION:** Citrus production; Livestock production; Pesticide licensing/training; Small farms; Natural resources; 4-H; FL-Friendly Landscape; EFNEP; Nutrition; Healthy living; Money mgmt; School/community gardens

**RESEARCH:** Discovers and delivers innovative solutions that empower citrus and other agricultural interests to conduct responsible and profitable business.

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