

Economic Impacts (2015)

Agricultural and related industries generate

23,362 jobs (20.5% of total) in St. Lucie County.

\$1.23 billion in Gross Regional Product.

17.5% 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 **\$594,121 (45%)**
Federal funds for Extension **\$56,718 (4%)**
County funds for Extension **\$658,554 (50%)**

Volunteers (2016)

Number of volunteers **1,048**
Hours worked **32,101**
Dollar value of hours worked **\$774,918**

Giving (FY 2016)

Recent donors residing in county **2,304**
FY 2016 donors residing in county **1,017**
Gifts to UF from county residents **\$653,089**
Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$11,831**

EXTENSION: 4-H youth life skills; Windstorm mitigation & energy efficiency; Nutrition & food safety; Commercial & homeowner horticulture; Natural resource management

COMMODITIES: Citrus, ornamental and vegetable crops, fisheries

Client Satisfaction (2015)

Quality

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

Effectiveness

62% Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

92% Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

72% Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Clientele Contacts (2016)

Field and office consultations **3,755**
Participants at group learning events **21,340**
Phone and email consultations **11,952**
Social media engagement **55,117**
Educational materials created **254**

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 **419**
CALs students from county **62**
UF alumni residing in county **1,743**
UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **306**

RESEARCH: Horticulture, post-harvest management, entomology, plant pathology, virology, soil and water sciences, aquaculture, biological control of invasive plants and insects, pest management, agricultural engineering, plant root biology

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