

Economic Impacts

Agricultural and related industries generate

6,972 jobs (56.4% of total) in DeSoto County.

\$0.34 billion in revenues.

50.2% contribution to gross regional product.

Based on a 2009 UF study

It is estimated that for every **\$1** invested in agricultural research and extension, there is a return of **\$10** to the community.

Based on a 2007 USDA study

Funding

State funds for Extension **\$199,499**
Federal funds for Extension **\$61,449**
County funds for Extension **\$151,976**

Volunteers

Number of volunteers **247**
Hours worked **5,438**
Dollar value of hours worked **\$116,156**

Giving

Recent donors residing in county **195**
FY 2011 donors residing in county **101**
Gifts to UF from county residents **\$17,099**
Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$2,600**

Statewide Client Satisfaction

Quality

96% 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...

90% Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

75% Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Clientele Contacts

Field and office consultations **7,877**
Participants at group learning events **3,276**
Phone and email consultations **21,465**
Educational materials created **4,944**

Statewide Clientele Outcomes

Clients reporting an increase in knowledge or skill **86%**
Clients reporting a change in behavior or attitude **78%**
Clients adopting best practices resulting in societal, economic, or environmental benefits to community **68%**

Students and Alumni

UF students from county **31**
CALS students from county **10**
UF alumni residing in county **137**
IFAS alumni residing in county **51**

EXTENSION: Beef production; Florida Cattleman's Institute and Allied Trade Show; Florida deer and turkey short course; Nutrition, food safety and health; Housing; Environment

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