

Economic Impacts

Agricultural and related industries generate

7,471 jobs (67.2% of total) in Hardee County.

\$0.40 billion in revenues.

61.1% 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 **\$299,248**
Federal funds for Extension **\$92,174**
County funds for Extension **\$125,246**

Volunteers

Number of volunteers **128**
Hours worked **15,610**
Dollar value of hours worked **\$333,430**

Giving

Recent donors residing in county **207**
FY 2011 donors residing in county **110**
Gifts to UF from county residents **\$56,751**
Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$10,734**

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 **6,708**
Participants at group learning events **54,018**
Phone and email consultations **7,834**
Educational materials created **138**

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 **9**
CALS students from county **4**
UF alumni residing in county **149**
IFAS alumni residing in county **71**

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

RESEARCH: Profitability of beef, Forage & field crops, Dairy production

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