

Economic Impacts

Agricultural and related industries generate

20,844 jobs (22.8% of total) in St. Lucie County.

\$1.03 billion in revenues.

17.9% 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 **\$569,745**

Volunteers

Number of volunteers **1,869**
Hours worked **46,384**
Dollar value of hours worked **\$990,762**

Giving

Recent donors residing in county **2,056**
FY 2011 donors residing in county **928**
Gifts to UF from county residents **\$141,878**
Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$6,966**

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 **4,886**
Participants at group learning events **73,209**
Phone and email consultations **19,369**
Educational materials created **751**

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 **362**
CALS students from county **67**
UF alumni residing in county **1,552**
IFAS alumni residing in county **244**

EXTENSION: Best management practices for the green industry; Life skills for 4-H youth; Windstorm mitigation & energy efficiency; Leadership; Nutrition & Food safety

COMMODITIES: Citrus, Ornamental and vegetable crops

RESEARCH: Biological, chemical and cultural pest management; Utilizing entomology, virology, and plant pathology

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