

Economic Impacts (2019)

Agricultural and related industries generate

37,501 jobs (24.5% of total) in Marion County.

\$2.06 billion in Gross Regional Product.

19.7% 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 2022)

State funds for Extension **\$1,524,820 (56%)**
Federal funds for Extension **\$154,234 (6%)**
County funds for Extension **\$1,047,259 (38%)**

Volunteers (2022)

Number of volunteers **485**
Hours worked **24,957**
Dollar value of hours worked **\$793,618**

Giving (FY 2022)

Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county **6,553**
Current (1yr) donors residing in county **3,079**
Gifts to UF from county residents **\$2,574,485**
Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$201,994**

EXTENSION: Florida Landscapes, 4-H/Youth Development, Water Quality, Nutrition Education and Food Safety, Aging Well, Resource Efficiency, Livestock/Equine, Local food systems, Ag BMPs

Client Satisfaction (2021)

Quality

97% Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness

81% Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

76% Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

68% Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Clientele Contacts (2022)

Field and office consultations **2,058**
Participants at group learning events **23,130**
Phone and email consultations **14,467**
Social media engagement **209,322**
Educational materials created **303**

Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2022)

Gallons of water saved by residents and landscapers **340,124,479**
No. of producers who adopted recommended practices **18,690**
No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters **55,285**

Students and Alumni (Fall 2022)

UF students from county **775**
CALS students from county **85**
UF alumni residing in county **5,960**
UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **767**

RESEARCH: New plant cultivars, Biological control agents, Remote sensing, Fertilizer best management practices, Water quality, Water use

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