

Economic Impacts (2019)

Agricultural and related industries generate

221,346 jobs (18.9% of total) in Orange County.

\$14.34 billion in Gross Regional Product.

13.8% 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 2023)

State funds for Extension **\$1,535,893 (47%)**
Federal funds for Extension **\$154,817 (5%)**
County funds for Extension **\$1,549,534 (48%)**

Volunteers (2023)

Number of volunteers **993**
Hours worked **22,569**
Dollar value of hours worked **\$755,836**

Giving (FY 2023)

Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county **9,420**
Current (1yr) donors residing in county **3,467**
Gifts to UF from county residents **\$8,936,019**
Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$1,052,858**

EXTENSION: 4-H Youth Development; Agriculture; Commercial and Residential Horticulture; Community Resource Development; Financial Management; Florida Friendly Landscape; Nutrition Education and Food Safety; Master Gardener Volunteers; Urban Forestry

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FY 2023 Expenditures: \$3,632,699

Client Satisfaction (2021)

Quality

92% 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

65% Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Clientele Contacts (2023)

Field and office consultations **1,262**
Participants at group learning events **29,938**
Phone and email consultations **15,181**
Social media engagement **173,203**
Educational materials created **445**

Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2023)

Gallons of water saved by residents and landscapers **375,503,045**
No. of producers who adopted recommended practices **20,994**
No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters **39,157**

Students and Alumni (Fall 2023)

UF students from county **3,509**
CALs students from county **290**
UF alumni residing in county **21,574**
UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **1,639**

COMMODITIES: Tropical foliage, cut foliage, woody ornamental, vegetables, citrus, blueberries, grapes, lettuce **RESEARCH:** Plant development, production and protection of environmental horticulture, fruit crops, biological control and IPM, Controlled Environment agriculture, urban agriculture