

Economic Impacts (2019)

Agricultural and related industries generate

10,396 jobs (21.2% of total) in Citrus County.

\$513 million in Gross Regional Product.

13.2% 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 2025)

State funds for Extension **\$609,296 (49%)**
Federal funds for Extension **\$60,673 (5%)**
County funds for Extension **\$563,353 (46%)**

Volunteers (2024)

Number of volunteers **345**
Hours worked **47,770**
Dollar value of hours worked **\$1,661,911**

Giving (FY 2024)

Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county **1,331**
Current (1yr) donors residing in county **432**
Gifts to UF from county residents **\$204,312**
Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$12,520**

EXTENSION: Food safety, nutrition & health; Home horticulture; Commercial agriculture/horticulture; 4-H life skills; Preserving and protecting natural resources; Financial management

Client Satisfaction (2021)

Quality

100% Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness

64% Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

67% Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

73% Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Clientele Contacts (2024)

Field and office consultations **568**
Participants at group learning events **16,137**
Phone and email consultations **7,164**
Social media engagement **193,616**
Educational materials created **340**

Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2024)

Gallons of water saved by residents and landscapers **299,660,684**
No. of producers who adopted recommended practices **22,350**
No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters **37,001**

Students and Alumni (Fall 2024)

UF students from county **201**
CALS students from county **26**
UF alumni residing in county **1,417**
UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **209**

COMMODITIES: Livestock, pastures, blueberries, sod, peanuts, citrus, strawberry, watermelon

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