

**Economic Impacts (2019)**

Agricultural and related industries generate

**7,709** jobs (43.3% of total) in Suwannee County.  
**\$640** million in Gross Regional Product.  
**54.2%** 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 **\$926,658 (43%)**  
 Federal funds for Extension **\$91,009 (4%)**  
 County funds for Extension **\$1,133,358 (53%)**

**Volunteers (2024)**

Number of volunteers **789**  
 Hours worked **5,665**  
 Dollar value of hours worked **\$197,085**

**Giving (FY 2024)**

Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county **452**  
 Current (1yr) donors residing in county **137**  
 Gifts to UF from county residents **\$109,788**  
 Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$33,410**

**EXTENSION:** 4-H/youth development; ag production/marketing; livestock/forages, sustainable ag systems; landscaping/gardening; nutrition, diabetes ed., financial mgmt.; food safety/preservation; community development; workforce development; natural resources, and volunteer opportunities. **COMMODITIES:** Peanuts, corn,

**Client Satisfaction (2019)**

Quality

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

Effectiveness

**83%** Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

**81%** Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

**89%** Clients who shared the information with someone else.

**Clientele Contacts (2024)**

Field and office consultations **947**  
 Participants at group learning events **12,742**  
 Phone and email consultations **3,417**  
 Social media engagement **113,565**  
 Educational materials created **211**

**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 **61**  
 CALS students from county **7**  
 UF alumni residing in county **657**  
 UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **159**

livestock, watermelons, carrots, sweet potatoes, forages/hay, snap beans, timber/pine straw, pecans, soybeans, southern peas, blueberries, tomatoes, cucumbers, bell peppers, tobacco, squash, grains, nursery crops. **RESEARCH:** Fruit and vegetable crops, agronomic crops, integrated pest mgmt, water quality and quantity, and food safety.

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