**Economic Impacts (2018)**

Agricultural and related industries generate

- **5,790** jobs (44.6% of total) in DeSoto County.
- **$351** million in Gross Regional Product.
- **39.5%** 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.  

_Alsken, Andersen et al. (2010)_

**Funding (FY 2020)**

- State funds for Extension: **$479,184 (68%)**
- Federal funds for Extension: **$49,494 (7%)**
- County funds for Extension: **$178,867 (25%)**

**Volunteers (2019)**

- Number of volunteers: **19**
- Hours worked: **1,066**
- Dollar value of hours worked: **$28,995**

**Giving (FY 2019)**

- Recent donors residing in county: **89**
- FY 2019 donors residing in county: **37**
- Gifts to UF from county residents: **$17,094**
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents: **$366**

**Client Satisfaction (2019)**

- **Quality**: 85%
  - 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...
- **62%**
  - Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

- **Leverage**: 42%
  - Clients who shared the information with someone else.

**Clientele Contacts (2019)**

- Field and office consultations: **366**
- Participants at group learning events: **988**
- Phone and email consultations: **2,601**
- Social media engagement: **525**
- Educational materials created: **21**

**Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2019)**

- Gallons of water saved by residential participants: **467,145,870**
- No. of producers who adopted recommended practices: **15,244**
- No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters: **51,697**

**Students and Alumni (Fall 2019)**

- UF students from county: **19**
- CALS students from county: **2**
- UF alumni residing in county: **177**
- UF/IFAS alumni residing in county: **60**

**EXTENSION:** Beef production, Citrus Production, 4-H Youth Development, Career Development, Work Force Preparation, Life Skills, Pasture Mgmt, Soil Testing, Animal Sci, Horticulture

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