Economic Impacts (2019)
Agricultural and related industries generate

- **5,927** jobs (36.5% of total) in Okeechobee County.
- **$352 million** in Gross Regional Product.
- **31.0%** 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 **$392,042 (59%)**
- Federal funds for Extension **$39,655 (6%)**
- County funds for Extension **$237,621 (36%)**

Volunteers (2022)
- Number of volunteers **152**
- Hours worked **4,515**
- Dollar value of hours worked **$143,573**

Giving (FY 2022)
- Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county **205**
- Current (1yr) donors residing in county **82**
- Gifts to UF from county residents **$72,157**
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents **$6,341**

Client Satisfaction (2021)
- Quality **96%** 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...
- Leverage **70%** Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Clientele Contacts (2022)
- Field and office consultations **550**
- Participants at group learning events **57,452**
- Phone and email consultations **2,977**
- Social media engagement **51,230**
- Educational materials created **150**

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 **36**
- CALS students from county **8**
- UF alumni residing in county **317**
- UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **129**

EXTENSION: Beef and dairy production, Water quality, Florida Yards and Neighborhoods, Youth Development

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