

Economic Impacts

Agricultural and related industries generate

7,434 jobs (48.9% of total) in Suwannee County.

\$0.33 billion in revenues.

43.5% contribution to gross regional product.

Based on a 2009 UF study

It is estimated that for every **\$1** invested in agricultural research and extension, there is a return of **\$10** to the community.

Based on a 2007 USDA study

Funding

State funds for Extension **\$698,245**

Federal funds for Extension **\$215,072**

County funds for Extension **\$351,463**

Volunteers

Number of volunteers **286**

Hours worked **6,274**

Dollar value of hours worked **\$134,013**

Giving

Recent donors residing in county **947**

FY 2011 donors residing in county **533**

Gifts to UF from county residents **\$107,875**

Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$14,495**

Statewide Client Satisfaction

Quality

96% Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness

80% Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

90% Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

75% Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Clientele Contacts

Field and office consultations **2,264**

Participants at group learning events **26,692**

Phone and email consultations **10,649**

Educational materials created **328**

Statewide Clientele Outcomes

Clients reporting an increase in knowledge or skill **86%**

Clients reporting a change in behavior or attitude **78%**

Clients adopting best practices resulting in societal, economic, or environmental benefits to community **68%**

Students and Alumni

UF students from county **68**

CALS students from county **16**

UF alumni residing in county **566**

IFAS alumni residing in county **130**

EXTENSION: 4-H & youth development; Ag production/marketing; Sustainable small farms/alternative enterprises; Horticulture; Financial mgmt.; Nutrition, health, food safety; Housing

COMMODITIES: Vegetables, Fruits, Nuts

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FY 2011 Expenditures: \$468,969