

## Economic Impacts (2013)

### Agricultural and related industries generate

**9,483** jobs (68.5% of total) in DeSoto County.

**\$562.5** million in revenues.

**67.9%** 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 2014)

State funds for Extension	<b>\$221,653 (54%)</b>
Federal funds for Extension	<b>\$27,172 (7%)</b>
County funds for Extension	<b>\$161,558 (39%)</b>

## Volunteers (2014)

Number of volunteers	<b>137</b>
Hours worked	<b>2,070</b>
Dollar value of hours worked	<b>\$47,755</b>

## Giving (FY 2014)

Recent donors residing in county	<b>222</b>
FY 2014 donors residing in county	<b>103</b>
Gifts to UF from county residents	<b>\$44,460</b>
Gifts to IFAS from county residents	<b>\$4,100</b>

## Client Satisfaction (2014)

### Quality

**87%** Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

### Effectiveness

**69%** Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

**96%** Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

### Leverage

**68%** Clients who shared the information with someone else.

## Clientele Contacts (2014)

Field and office consultations	<b>713</b>
Participants at group learning events	<b>4,216</b>
Phone and email consultations	<b>4,902</b>
Educational materials created	<b>198</b>

## Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2014)

Clients reporting an increase in knowledge or skill	<b>88%</b>
Clients reporting a change in behavior or attitude	<b>74%</b>
Clients adopting best practices resulting in societal, economic, or environmental benefits to community	<b>60%</b>

## Students and Alumni (Fall 2014)

UF students from county	<b>25</b>
CALS students from county	<b>7</b>
UF alumni residing in county	<b>157</b>
IFAS alumni residing in county	<b>59</b>

**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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## Economic Impacts (2013)

### Agricultural and related industries generate

**13,577** jobs (19.5% of total) in Charlotte County.

**\$567.2** million in revenues.

**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 2014)

State funds for Extension	<b>\$332,479 (44%)</b>
Federal funds for Extension	<b>\$40,759 (5%)</b>
County funds for Extension	<b>\$382,567 (51%)</b>

## Volunteers (2014)

Number of volunteers	<b>409</b>
Hours worked	<b>14,426</b>
Dollar value of hours worked	<b>\$332,808</b>

## Giving (FY 2014)

Recent donors residing in county	<b>1,023</b>
FY 2014 donors residing in county	<b>462</b>
Gifts to UF from county residents	<b>\$413,996</b>
Gifts to IFAS from county residents	<b>\$261</b>

## Client Satisfaction (2011)

### Quality

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

### Effectiveness

**91%** Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

**96%** Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

### Leverage

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

## Clientele Contacts (2014)

Field and office consultations	<b>3,719</b>
Participants at group learning events	<b>10,428</b>
Phone and email consultations	<b>13,216</b>
Educational materials created	<b>172</b>

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## Students and Alumni (Fall 2014)

UF students from county	<b>143</b>
CALS students from county	<b>11</b>
UF alumni residing in county	<b>759</b>
IFAS alumni residing in county	<b>103</b>

**EXTENSION:** Master Gardener/Naturalist, 4-H Youth, Coastal Environment & Water Quality, Florida-Friendly Landscaping™, Waterway Mgmt, Commercial/Residential Horticulture, Sea Grant

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