

FLORIDA 4-H AT A GLANCE

Florida 4-H Grows True Leaders

The UF/IFAS Extension Florida 4-H Youth Development Program uses a learn-by-doing approach to help youth gain the knowledge and skills they need to be responsible, productive citizens. This mission is accomplished by creating safe and inclusive learning environments, involving caring adults, and utilizing the expertise and resources of the University of Florida and the nationwide land grant university system.

Last year Florida 4-H reached over 201,000 youth, ages 5-18, through 4-H clubs, school enrichment, camping, school age child care programs, etc.—with the help of more than 12,000 volunteers trained by Extension/4-H faculty statewide.

201,344

YOUTH SERVED

276,790

COUNTY PROJECTS

10,027

ADULT VOLUNTEERS

2,366

YOUTH VOLUNTEERS

GENDER



51%
FEMALE

49%
MALE

PLACE OF RESIDENCE



5%
FARMS

17%
TOWNS < 10K

32%
TOWNS 10-50K

24%
TOWNS > 50K

22%
URBAN CITY

ETHNICITY AND RACE

ethnicity and race reported separately



21%
HISPANIC

79%
NON-HISPANIC

72%
WHITE

19%
AFRICAN AMERICAN

9%
OTHER

SCHOOL GRADE



4%
KINDERGARTEN

68%
1-5 GRADES

22%
6-8 GRADES

5%
9-12 GRADES

1%
POST HIGHSCHOOL/
NOT IN SCHOOL/
SPECIAL

TOP PARTICIPATION AREAS



20,616
HEALTHY
LIFESTYLES

93,013
COMMUNICATIONS
& EXPRESSIVE ART

16,201
LEADERSHIP &
PERSONAL
DEVELOPMENT

52,829
BIOLOGICAL AND
PLANT SCIENCES

20,712
ENVIRONMENTAL
EDUCATION/EARTH
SCIENCES

25,425
AG IN THE
CLASSROOM

24,396
ANIMAL
SCIENCE



NATIONAL 4-H TODAY / AT A GLANCE

4-H Grows True Leaders

What began as a way to give rural youth new agricultural skills has grown into America's largest youth development organization.

4-H grows young people with essential life skills like confidence, courage, resilience and curiosity who are empowered and prepared for life today and tomorrow. 4-H serves every county and parish in America through our network of 110 land-grant universities and the Cooperative Extension System with 3,000 offices nationwide. The organization is led by a unique public-private partnership which includes National 4-H Council and the National Institute of Food & Agriculture within the United States Department of Agriculture.

4-H Youth Excel Beyond Their Peers

According to a 10-year longitudinal study conducted by the Institute for Applied Research in Youth Development at Tufts University, 4-H youth are:

4x

MORE LIKELY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES

2x

MORE LIKELY TO MAKE HEALTHIER CHOICES

2x

MORE LIKELY TO PARTICIPATE IN SCIENCE PROGRAMS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL TIME

6,000,000

YOUTH SERVED

3,000+

U.S. COUNTIES

3,500+

EDUCATORS

600,000

VOLUNTEERS

25,000,000

ALUMNI

WHERE DO 4-H'ERS LIVE?

1,250,000
CITIES

1,750,000
TOWNS/SUBURBS

2,900,000
RURAL COMMUNITIES



HEALTHY LIVING

Building on its agricultural roots, 4-H has a long history of promoting healthy living among youth and their families.



SCIENCE

The need for science, engineering, technology and math education is essential for today's young people.



CITIZENSHIP

Since its inception, 4-H has emphasized the importance of young people being engaged, well-informed citizens.



AGRICULTURE

4-H programs engage and excite young people in agricultural science topics such as veterinary science, biotechnology, raising and training animals and forestry.

