



Statistical Snapshot (2017-18 4-H Year)

Number of Youth Involved: 200,577*

Organized Clubs (community, in-school, after-school, and military)	22,032
Special Interest Programs	21,320
School Enrichment	158,022
Day Camps/Residential Camps	5,271
After-School Child Care	5,147
Individual Study/Family 4-H	214

**This total does not include duplications. The individual delivery modes include duplications resulting from youth participating in multiple program areas.*

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.

Florida 4-H reached over 200,000 youth, ages 5-18, through 4-H clubs, school enrichment, camping, school age child care programs, etc.—with the help of more than 11,000 volunteers trained by Extension/4-H faculty statewide.

Research indicates:

- 4-H Helps Young People Excel Beyond Their Peers
- 4-H Youth Make More Healthy Choices
- 4-H'ers Excel in School and the Sciences
- Young People in 4-H are Committed to Improving their Communities

(For details, see florida4h.org/impact)

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Where Do 4-H'ers Live:

Farms	3% (6,465)
Towns under 10,000	19% (38,077)
Towns and cities of 10,000 to 50,000	25% (49,758)
Suburbs of cities over 50,000	25% (50,023)
Central cities over 50,000	28% (56,254)

Number of Girls: 51.0% (101,331) Number of Boys: 49.0% (99,246)

Race/Ethnic Background:

White/Caucasian	73% (145,814)
Black/African-American	20% (39,668)
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.3% (586)
Asian	1.8% (3,594)
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0.5% (1,008)
More than one race	4.5% (9,045)
Racial Background Unknown	2.9% (862)

Ethnic Participation:

24.0% (47,446) Hispanic or Latino
76.0% (153,131) Non-Hispanic or Latino

Grade Level of 4-H Members:

Kindergarten	4% (8,735)
Elementary (1st-5th Grade)	67% (134,119)
Middle School (6th-8th Grade)	22% (43,505)
High School (9th-12th Grade)	6% (13,585)
Post H.S. / Not in School / Special	1% (633)

Volunteers in Florida 4-H

Adult volunteers amplify the impact of paid county Extension Agents, reaching more youth and providing valuable mentors for young people. Studies confirm the value of a significant other adult in the life of a child. The ability of 4-H Programs to provide safe and secure environments is dependent upon the management and quality of trained volunteers. Likewise, other outcomes such as a sense of belonging and inclusive environments are related to the effectiveness of volunteers' relationship and interaction with youth.

Florida 4-H is supported by:

9,158 -Adult Volunteers

2,304 -Youth Volunteers

Many voices combine to provide guidance for Florida 4-H programs at the county and state level. Important among these is the youth voice, which is critical to helping the program stay relevant and grow. County 4-H Associations provide sustaining support for 4-H programs in every Florida county. Volunteer leaders, community organizations, foundations, and county governments all play a role in the future of the program.

Florida 4-H Projects in the 2017-2018 4-H Year Total Projects: 279,453

Science, Engineering & Technology 147,871 Projects

Consumer & Family Science 9,205 Projects

Consumer education, money management, clothing and sewing, human development, child care and Cloverbuds.

Biological Sciences 35,038 Projects

4-H embryology in the classroom, marine/aquatic science, entomology and wildlife.

Technology and Engineering 4,108 Projects

Energy, bicycle, computer technology, electricity & electronics, robotics, small engines, and GPS/Geospatial.

Physical Sciences 990 Projects

Aerospace, astronomy, weather and climate.

Environmental Education/Earth Sciences 21,517 Projects

Environmental stewardship, geology, weather, soils, water, energy, forestry, shooting sports, sport fishing, outdoor education, waste management.

Ag in the Classroom 23,359 Projects

Agriculture education taught in the classroom including agriculture economics and society, and agribusiness.

Animals 25,610 Projects

Large and small animal projects, horsemanship, pets, Hog-n-Ham project and farm animals.

Plant Science 28,044 Projects

Gardening, flowers, vegetables, growing citrus, classroom gardening projects, and Jr. Master Gardeners.

Citizenship 111,908 Projects

Civic Engagement 3,691 Projects

Service learning, citizenship, and public adventures, intergenerational and service learning.

Leadership and Personal Development 16,429 Projects

Economics and business marketing, career exploration, critical thinking, introductory projects, leadership skills, leisure.

Communications & Expressive Arts 91,788 Projects

Communication arts (speaking, radio, television, print), Performing arts (clowning, dance, drama, music), Visual arts (graphics, photography, video, crafts, drawing, sculpture).

Healthy Lifestyles 19,674 Projects

Foods and Nutrition 13,400 Projects

Food preparation, nutrition, and food science.

Health/Personal Safety 6,274 Projects

Physical fitness, health safety, ATV safety and emergency preparedness.

Detailed statistics for individual counties and 4-H project areas are available at florida4h.org/impact. This sheet was updated on September 4, 2018.

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