## **Pickens County**

Homeowners and farmers reach out to the Extension office to seek advice on existing farms or for new crops. The ANR agent conducted many site visits to farms and homeowners. Master Gardener Extension Volunteers continue to make a lasting impact in the community and host a booth at the Jasper Farmers Market to help with questions for homeowners. Monthly in-school 4–H club meetings showcase after-school activities as well as offer extended education through experimental activities in science, engineering, technology and agricultural science. These activities led to a record number of students at District Project Achievement. Pickens County 4–H is also proud to have a student serve as president of the Northeast Senior Board of Directors.

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#### **Growing cities.**

UGA Extension helps urban gardeners develop school gardens, community gardens and urban farms to benefit their communities. Extension works with educators to create sustainable outdoor classrooms that function as successful teaching tools. Community gardeners are supported in growing healthy food crops in small spaces while urban farmers are encouraged to apply the latest agricultural research to grow their businesses.

## Committed to Georgia's youth.

Georgia's 4-H enrolled 193,518 youths across the state during the 2023-24 school year.

County farm gate value:

\$110,188,147

Top commodities:

Broilers
Beef Cows
Layers
Agritourism

2025 Georgia Ag Impact Report UGA Center for Agribusiness and Economic Development

## A healthy Georgia is a better Georgia.

University of Georgia Cooperative Extension offers programming focused on mental health, financial well-being, nutrition and everything in between. UGA Extension had 1,756,355 face-to-face contacts in 2024. Of these, 200,067 contacts addressed health and wellness topics, including rural and farm stress.

Extension is committed to helping rural Georgia farmers and families thrive. UGA Extension provides physical and mental health resources to keep rural Georgia growing stronger, especially when times are tough. Our new Behavioral Health Team provides fact sheets, trainings and a weekly blog—all to help Georgia individuals and families thrive.

#### Get the facts.

UGA Extension publications are the go-to source for unbiased, research-based information in the state of Georgia.







# 2025 FAST FACTS

UGA Extension translates the science of everyday living for families, farmers and communities to foster a healthy and prosperous Georgia.

332 agents across 159 counties
ASSISTED BY
10,530



trained volunteers





Working in local communities for a better Georgia from the ground up

### 1,756,355

FACE-TO-FACE CONTACTS WITH GEORGIANS MADE IN FISCAL YEAR 2024

### 31,700

PROGRAMS
TEACH, LEAD
AND HELP
GEORGIANS LIVE
BETTER LIVES

#### 1.285

#### PUBLICATIONS BASED ON LEADING RESEARCH

2,565,072 visits to publication webpages

199,306 publication downloads

257,807 visits to CAES

Newswire

## AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES



141 agents



466,550 face-to-face contacts



38,504 on-site consultations



133,034 diagnostic tests by agricultural & environmental services labs



4,064 programs



2,036 Master Gardener Extension Volunteers

#### 4-H YOUTH



129 agents



1,179,147 face-to-face contacts



93,518 -H'ers



23,798 programs



88,959 visitors to 4-H centers



6,564 teen and adult volunteers

## FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES



62 agents



200,067 face-to-face contacts



3,410 programs



617 ServSafe® certificates issued



24,376 nutrition education program participants



1,930 volunteers

All data from FY2024

