



2015-16 FACT SHEET

NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION

FFA VISION

Grow Leaders
Build Communities
Strengthen Agriculture

MEMBERSHIP

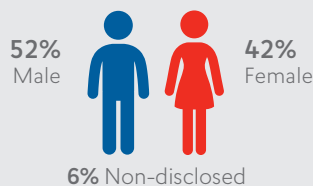
629,367 Number of students who are members of the National FFA Organization

7,757 Number of local FFA chapters in the U.S., Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands

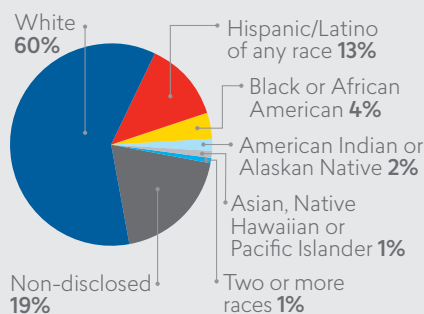
300+ Number of careers in agriculture globally

62,705 Number of active FFA Alumni. This represents an eight percent increase from 2015

GENDER



RACE AND ETHNICITY*



*Based on reported data

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The National FFA Organization is an integral part of agricultural education by helping make classroom instruction come to life through realistic, hands-on applications. FFA members embrace concepts taught in agricultural classrooms nationwide, build valuable skills through hands-on experiential learning and each year demonstrate their proficiencies in competitions that showcase real-world agricultural skills.

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

Today's FFA has evolved in response to expanded opportunities available in agriculture and its needs to hire skilled and competent employees for more than 300 careers. The organization helps students prepare for careers in business, marketing,

science, communications, education, horticulture, production, natural resources, forestry and many other diverse fields.

The agricultural education program provides a well-rounded, practical approach to learning through three components: Classroom education, hands-on supervised agricultural career

experiences and FFA, which provides leadership opportunities and tests students' agricultural skills.

The National FFA Organization is governed by a board of directors, charters state associations and provides direction,



In 2015, sponsors awarded 2,158 individual scholarships worth more than \$2.7 million through the National FFA Organization.

program materials and support for local chapters and state FFA associations. Its headquarters is in Washington, D.C., and its business operation center is in Indianapolis. The U.S. Department of Education provides leadership and helps set direction for FFA as a service to state and local agricultural education programs.



FFA members earn \$4 billion annually through hands-on work experiences and participate in and learn advanced career skills in 49 national proficiency areas that range from food science and technology and agricultural communications to wildlife management and production agriculture.

Through 24 national career development events, FFA members are challenged by real-life, hands-on skill tests, preparing them for career success.

Stay in Touch

In addition to its robust website, FFA.org, the National FFA Organization publishes a free monthly subscription-based e-newsletter, a print and digital magazine, a National FFA Alumni Association newsletter and an annual report.



FFA Pulse

The National FFA Organization has combined all of its various electronic newsletters into one streamlined publication on all things FFA. FFA Pulse is a monthly e-newsletter that contains the latest FFA news and information.

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FFA New Horizons Magazine

FFA New Horizons is the official member magazine for all current and past members of the National FFA Organization. The print magazine publishes quarterly. The publication's website hosts content from the print magazine plus additional content, the digital version of the publication and state-specific content.

FFANewHorizons.org



New Visions: National FFA Alumni Newsletter

Agriculture teachers rely on FFA Alumni members to help them get more support from the community

for their agricultural programs. FFA relies on alumni members for help with recruiting students and raising funds for chapter activities and scholarships.

FFA.org/Alumni



National FFA Annual Report

Published by the National FFA Organization and the National FFA Foundation, the annual report is a print and online publication that highlights

a year of successful fundraising through corporate sponsors and individual support.

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The FFA Mission: FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

The Agricultural Education Mission: Agricultural education prepares students for successful careers and a lifetime of informed choices in global agriculture, food, fiber and natural resources systems.

The National FFA Organization is a resource and support organization that does not select, control or supervise state association, local chapter or individual member activities. Educational materials are developed by FFA in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Education as a service to state and local agricultural education agencies.

The National FFA Organization affirms its belief in the value of all human beings and seeks diversity in its membership, leadership and staff as an equal opportunity employer.

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GRADE LEVEL

FFA members are in grades 7-12 and include college students:



Middle school



High school



College

DEMOGRAPHICS

Where FFA members live*



73% Rural



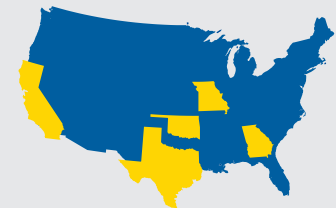
18% Suburban



9% Urban

*Based on Census Bureau population density statistics.

Top 5 U.S. states with largest FFA membership



108,791 Texas
79,526 California
38,943 Georgia
27,177 Oklahoma
25,552 Missouri

SUPPORT

\$23 million

Corporate sponsors and individuals financial support to the National FFA Organization to help FFA provide agricultural programs, leadership and personal growth training and scholarship to its members.

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