



**OUR PRIORITIES ARE CLEAR—WE MUST
FOCUS ON ATTRACTING THE NEXT
GENERATION OF AG WORKERS TO
HIGHLY SKILLED, WELL-PAID CAREER
OPPORTUNITIES. FAILING TO DO SO
MAY LEAD TO SEVERE CONSEQUENCES.”**

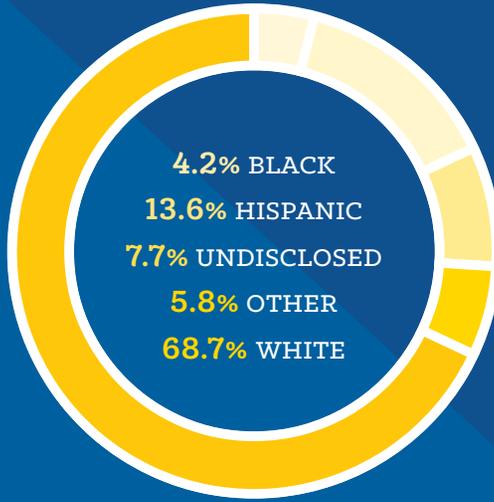
— Lydia Botham, Land O' Lakes Foundation

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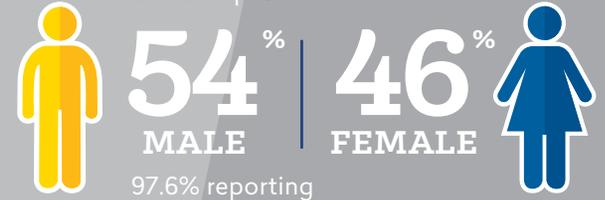
Secretary of Agriculture, Sonny Perdue



Race Demographics



Gender Split

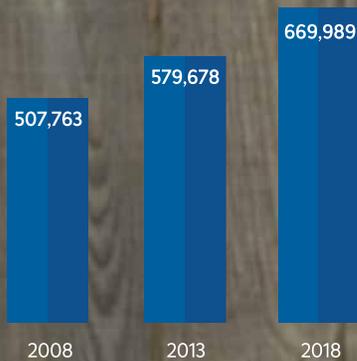


OURS IS A DIVERSE, FUTURE-ORIENTED AND GROWING MEMBERSHIP.

ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP



MEMBERSHIP



DID YOU KNOW?

The majority of U.S. agriculture companies employ FFA Alumni today.



Since 2008, FFA has seen a near **32 percent increase in membership, averaging 15,000 new members annually.** This growth impacts agriculture and our future.



Chapter Location

56%

20%

12%

5%

RURAL

TOWN

SUBURB

CITY

7% unknown

**THE HEART OF FFA
CAN BE FOUND IN
EVERY MEMBER,
EVERY CHAPTER,
EVERY DAY.**



212,829

students are impacted at the local level through participation in the National Chapter Award program.

You'll find chapters in

*based on major metropolitan areas

ALL 50 STATES,

Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands and in

24 of the 25

largest U.S. cities.*



78

The average number of FFA members per chapter.



87%

of chapters are in publicly funded schools.

92%

of chapters are at the high school level.

94.2% reporting



AG FEEDS THE WORLD. FFA FEEDS AG.

Today, more than 669,000 members in over 8,600 chapters across the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands are working hard to advance our nation's most critical industry—agriculture.

FFA members do this because they respect agriculture's heritage and recognize its future. They do this because they know how critically important this industry is to our families, our communities, our nation and our world.

And, they are not alone.

Over 13,000 agriculture educators inspire and guide FFA members, sharing their knowledge and passion for agriculture. At the same time, our network of alumni and supporters blaze a trail of commitment and advocacy.

But it doesn't stop there. Because when more than one million FFA members, advisors and alumni and supporters share their stories and insights, they change perceptions and introduce friends, families, and neighbors to a potential future in agriculture.

WE PREPARE TODAY'S YOUTH FOR TOMORROW.

FFA grows leaders

We empower students to be versatile, lifelong learners, equip them with employability skills, and ensure that they are capable of successfully navigating this ever-changing world and its myriad of challenges.

FFA builds communities

Through civic-minded community service, our members make an impact in their communities—and themselves.

FFA strengthens agriculture

Agriculture-based education powers FFA and helps to ensure a vibrant future for the industry. Through agriculture-based science, technology, engineering, and math education, FFA exposes students to the industry today, while preparing them for future careers.

FFA VISION

Students whose lives are impacted by FFA and agricultural education will achieve academic and personal growth, strengthen American agriculture and provide leadership to build healthy local communities, a strong nation and a sustainable world.

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 the global agriculture, food, fiber and natural resources systems.

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