

ANNUAL REPORT

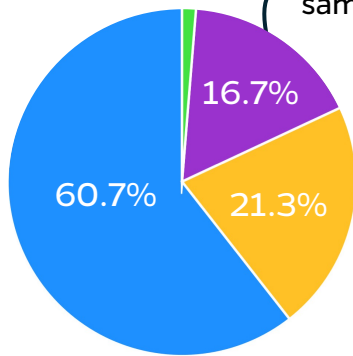


WATERBODIES

By the Numbers

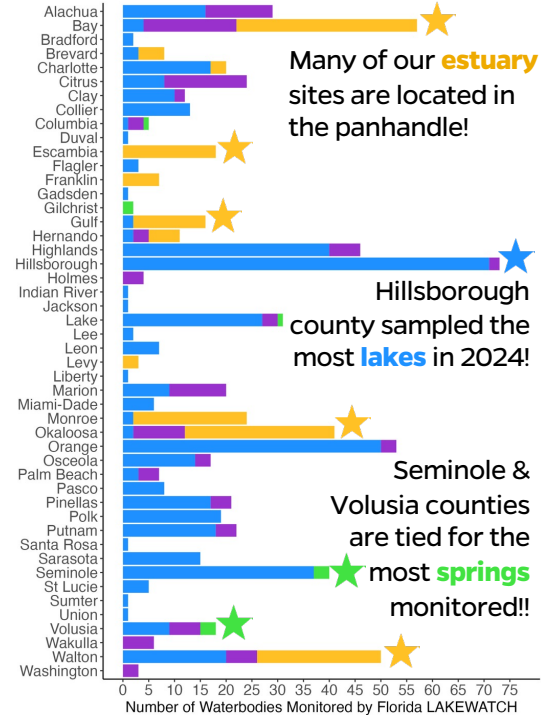
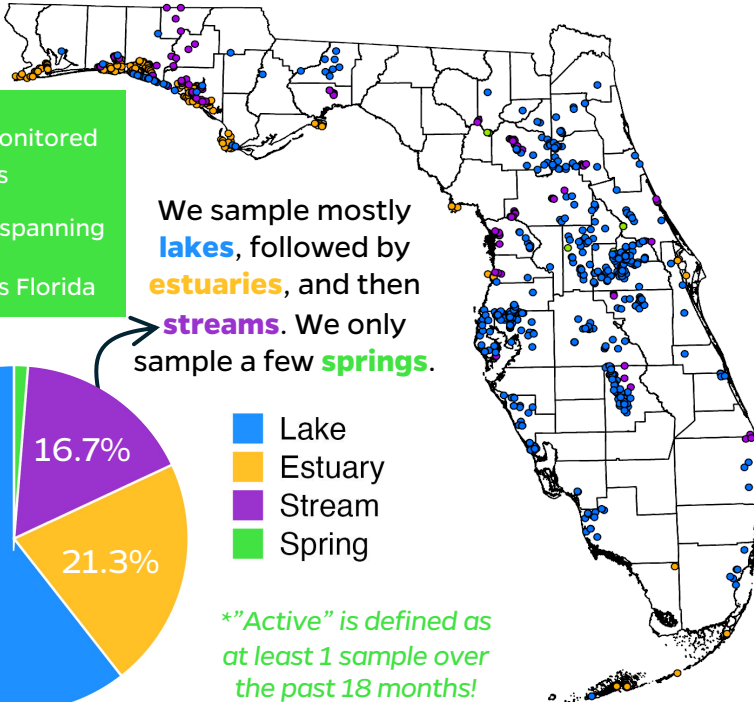
627 actively* monitored waterbodies across 47 counties and spanning 750 miles across Florida

We sample mostly **lakes**, followed by **estuaries**, and then **streams**. We only sample a few **springs**.



■ Lake
■ Estuary
■ Stream
■ Spring

*"Active" is defined as at least 1 sample over the past 18 months!



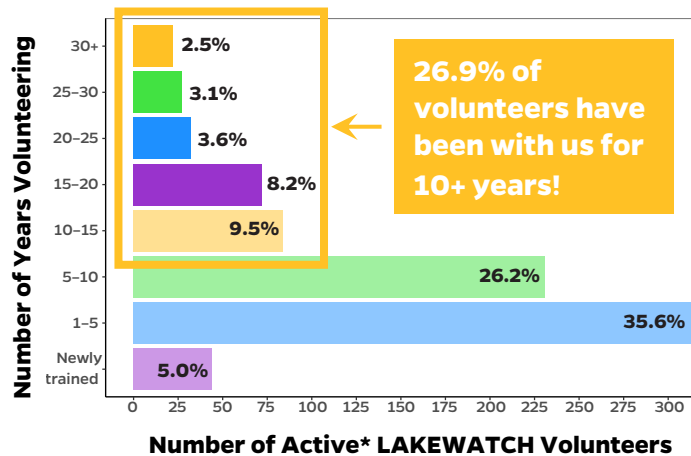
VOLUNTEERS

By the Numbers

883 active* volunteers
114 training sessions



← Volunteer and supporter Jim Bays from Stewards of Our Urban Lakes (SoUL) won the Daniel Canfield award at FLMS in 2024!



↑ And our longest serving volunteers won an award in 2024 for their monitoring of Lake Santa Fe! Hear more about Tom and Peggy Prevost here:



LAB ANALYSES



61,692

Samples analyzed for Total Nitrogen, Total Phosphorus, Chlorophyll, Color, and Conductivity

DATA SHARING



3,082

Individual waterbody reports created & shared



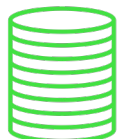
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External data shares (across academia, government, and industry)



46,031

Data points added to DEP's Watershed Information Network



2,082,094

Data points in our database

Collectively we published 6 peer-reviewed manuscripts!

EXTENSION METRICS

We hosted



Meetings across FL



106

Recorded questions



533*

Floridians attended

Attendance at our regional volunteer meetings

24%



Photo: Hillsborough/Pasco 2024 regional volunteer meeting

*Includes 14 regional meetings + 10 other outreach events

We published



4

Newsletters

11,548

Emails opened



We wrote (and solicited)



32

Articles

2,238

Articles clicks



FINANCIALS

LAKEWATCH saved FL ~\$5M in monitoring costs in 2024!

\$1,080,413

2024 LAKEWATCH Budget

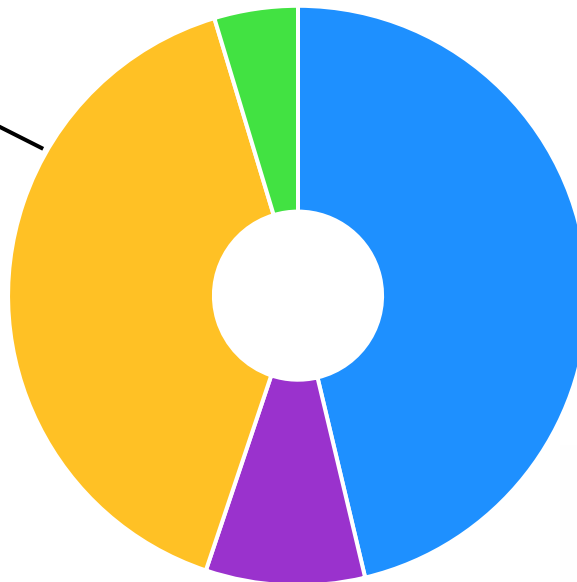
46.3% DEP

40.2% UF/IFAS/FFGS

8.8% Counties

4.7% Lab Fees

UF | IFAS
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Hillsborough County Florida

PASCO
COUNTY FLORIDA
OPEN SPACES. VIBRANT PLACES.

PARTNERS & COLLABORATORS

13+ Extension Agents

>12 Local programs



Northwest Florida State College



UF | IFAS Extension
UNIVERSITY of FLORIDA



Many thanks to our volunteers, funders, and supporters for enabling another successful year!

↓ The 2024 LAKEWATCH team!

