

2021: OHIO 4-H BUILDS LIFELONG SKILLS

2021 continued to be a challenging year for all, but 4-H youth are resilient!

Virtual programs, club meetings, service learning, project judging, camps and fairs all contributed to youth gaining skills they will use long after their 4-H membership ends.



Statistics

9,802 First Year Members Ages 5-18
84,330 Total Members Ages 5-18
41% Male
53% Female

In 2021, options were provided for members to self-identify their gender. 1% of respondents selected non-binary, prefer not to disclose, or their gender identity was not listed during enrollment. Gender identity was not collected on 5% of respondents.

Participation

Clubs 58,188	School 16,436	Camping 11,314	Youth participated in clubs, school programs, and camps.
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14,975 Volunteers

12,042 adult volunteers 2,933 youth volunteers

Project Area Involvement

Healthy Living 5,014	STEAM* 20,213	Animals 72,144	Citizenship 11,678
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*Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math

Camps

Swimming, line dancing, zip lines, and campfires were back this year for 4-H members who know that camp is the best part of summer.

Traditional overnight camps were held with day camp and single-day programs hosted at Extension offices, farms, parks and county fairgrounds.



SPIN Clubs

4-H SPecial Interest (SPIN) Clubs engaged more than **11,205** youth, focused on subjects that included poetry, life skills, food science, public speaking, self-improvement, coding, polar science, and more. And it wasn't just Ohio 4-H'ers who joined. Thanks to Zoom, youth from five additional states participated in some of these SPIN clubs.



Projects



The most popular projects were *Horseless Horse*, *Yeast Breads on the Rise*, and *The Laundry Project*. Perfect Stay at Home projects, featuring 12 different projects and the *Big Book of Cloverbud Activities*, were once again

available to download and were accessed more than 8,000 times.

