

Arkansas

RESTAURANT INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE

Restaurants are a driving force in Arkansas's economy. They provide jobs and build careers for thousands of people, and play a vital role in local communities throughout the state.



5,054
Eating and drinking place
locations in Arkansas in 2016



\$4.4 billion
Estimated sales in Arkansas's
restaurants in 2017



122,200
Restaurant and foodservice jobs
in Arkansas in 2018 = 10% of
employment in the state

**AND BY 2028, THAT
NUMBER IS PROJECTED
TO GROW BY 9.7%**

= 11,800 additional jobs,
for a total of 134,000

HOW BIG IS AMERICA'S RESTAURANT INDUSTRY?	LOCATIONS	1 MILLION+ serving millions every day
	SALES	\$800 BILLION = 4% of the U.S. GDP
	EMPLOYMENT	15.1 MILLION PEOPLE = 10% of the nation's workforce



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Arkansas's Restaurants

JOBS AND ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY

	EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:	
	Establishments in the state	Employees in the state*
U.S. SENATORS		
John Boozman (R)	5,054	93,300
Tom Cotton (R)		
U.S. REPRESENTATIVES		
1 Rick Crawford (R)	1,080	19,934
2 J. French Hill (R)	1,394	25,730
3 Steve Womack (R)	1,368	25,260
4 Bruce Westerman (R)	1,212	22,375
TOTAL	5,054	93,300

*Arkansas's 93,300 eating-and-drinking-place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 122,200 jobs, with the remainder being non-restaurant foodservice positions.



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Source: National Restaurant Association, based on data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics & U.S. Census Bureau, 2016