

Tennessee

RESTAURANT INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE

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



10,946
Eating and drinking place
locations in Tennessee in 2016



\$12.2 billion
Estimated sales in Tennessee's
restaurants in 2017



313,100
Restaurant and foodservice jobs
in Tennessee in 2018 = 10% of
employment in the state

**AND BY 2028, THAT
NUMBER IS PROJECTED
TO GROW BY 11.8%**

= 36,800 additional jobs,
for a total of 349,900

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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Tennessee's Restaurants

JOBS AND ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY

U.S. SENATORS

EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:

Establishments
in the state

Employees
in the state*

Lamar Alexander (R)	10,946	248,300
Bob Corker (R)		

U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:

Establishments
in the state

Employees
in the state*

1	David P. Roe (R)	1,280	29,040
2	John J. Duncan, Jr. (R)	1,197	27,156
3	Chuck Fleischmann (R)	1,202	27,259
4	Scott DesJarlais (R)	1,116	25,305
5	Jim Cooper (D)	1,805	40,935
6	Diane Black (R)	1,032	23,409
7	Marsha Blackburn (R)	1,136	25,769
8	David Kustoff (R)	1,168	26,489
9	Steve Cohen (D)	1,011	22,938
TOTAL		10,946	248,300

*Tennessee's 248,300 eating-and-drinking-place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 313,100 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