

Alabama

RESTAURANT INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE

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



8,620
Eating and drinking place
locations in Alabama in 2018



\$9.0 billion
Estimated sales in Alabama's
restaurants in 2018



199,600
Restaurant and foodservice jobs
in Alabama in 2019 = 10% of
employment in the state

**AND BY 2029, THAT
NUMBER IS PROJECTED
TO GROW BY 10.8%**

= 21,600 additional jobs,
for a total of 221,200

HOW DOES THE RESTAURANT INDUSTRY IMPACT THE ALABAMA ECONOMY?

Every dollar spent in the tableservice segment contributes \$1.70 to the state economy.

Every dollar spent in the limited-service segment contributes \$1.56 to the state economy.



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Alabama's Restaurants

JOBS AND ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY

EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:		
U.S. SENATORS	Establishments in the state	Employees in the state*
Richard Shelby (R)	8,620	168,400
Doug Jones (D)		

EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:		
U.S. REPRESENTATIVES	Establishments in the state	Employees in the state*
1 Bradley Byrne (R)	1,291	25,229
2 Martha Roby (R)	1,215	23,739
3 Mike Rogers (R)	1,144	22,351
4 Robert B. Aderholt (R)	1,040	20,309
5 Mo Brooks (R)	1,329	25,954
6 Gary J. Palmer (R)	1,349	26,345
7 Terri A. Sewell (D)	1,253	24,473
TOTAL	8,620	168,400

***Alabama's 168,400 eating-and-drinking-place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 199,600 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, 2018