

Kentucky

RESTAURANT INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE

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



7,654
Eating and drinking place
locations in Kentucky in 2018



\$8.5 billion
Estimated sales in Kentucky's
restaurants in 2018



203,000
Restaurant and foodservice jobs
in Kentucky in 2019 = 10% of
employment in the state

**AND BY 2029, THAT
NUMBER IS PROJECTED
TO GROW BY 10.9%**
= 22,200 additional jobs,
for a total of 225,200

HOW DOES THE RESTAURANT INDUSTRY IMPACT THE KENTUCKY ECONOMY?

Every dollar spent in the tableservice segment contributes \$1.69 to the state economy.

Every dollar spent in the limited-service segment contributes \$1.54 to the state economy.



FOR MORE INFORMATION: Restaurant.org • KYRA.org

Kentucky's Restaurants

JOBS AND ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY

		EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:	
U.S. SENATORS		Establishments in the state	Employees in the state*
	Mitch McConnell (R)	7,654	157,400
	Rand Paul (R)		
		EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:	
U.S. REPRESENTATIVES		Establishments in the state	Employees in the state*
1	James Comer (R)	1,115	22,926
2	Brett Guthrie (R)	1,102	22,666
3	John A. Yarmuth (D)	1,734	35,658
4	Thomas Massie (R)	1,321	27,166
5	Harold Rogers (R)	883	18,151
6	Andy Barr (R)	1,499	30,833
	TOTAL	7,654	157,400

*Kentucky's 157,400 eating-and-drinking-place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 203,000 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