

# DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## RESTAURANT INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE

Restaurants are a driving force in the District of Columbia economy. The foodservice industry creates thousands of jobs, supports career growth, and plays a vital role in every community across the district.

### 2,513

2022 EATING AND DRINKING PLACE  
LOCATIONS IN THE DISTRICT OF  
COLUMBIA

### \$5.5 Billion

2022 ESTIMATED EATING AND  
DRINKING PLACE SALES IN THE  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

### 61,400

RESTAURANT AND FOODSERVICE JOBS IN THE DISTRICT  
OF COLUMBIA IN **2022 = 8%** OF EMPLOYMENT  
IN THE DISTRICT

BY 2030, THAT NUMBER IS PROJECTED TO GROW BY  
**11.7% = 7,200** ADDITIONAL JOBS, FOR  
A TOTAL OF **68,600**

A thriving restaurant industry benefits the entire District of Columbia economy.

- EVERY ADDITIONAL DOLLAR SPENT IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA'S RESTAURANTS CONTRIBUTES **\$1.31** TO THE DISTRICT ECONOMY.
- EVERY ADDITIONAL \$1 MILLION SPENT IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA'S RESTAURANTS GENERATES **4.0** JOBS IN THE DISTRICT ECONOMY.



# DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA'S RESTAURANTS

## JOBS AND ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY

U.S. Senators		EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:	
		Establishments in the city	Employees in the city*
		2,513	49,300
U.S. Representatives		EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:	
		Establishments in the city	Employees in the city*
1	Eleanor Holmes Norton (D)	2,513	49,300
TOTAL		2,513	49,300

\*District of Columbia's 49,300 eating and drinking place jobs represent the majority of the district's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 61,400 jobs, with the remainder being non-restaurant foodservice positions.

**Note:** Establishment and employment figures represent 2022:Q3 data. Sales figures represent total revenues at all eating and drinking place establishments.



For more information: [Restaurant.org](https://www.restaurant.org) | [www.ramw.org](https://www.ramw.org)

**Source:** National Restaurant Association, based on data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Bureau of Economic Analysis and U.S. Census Bureau