

# ARKANSAS

## RESTAURANT INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE

Restaurants are a driving force in Arkansas's economy. The foodservice industry creates thousands of jobs, supports career growth, and plays a vital role in every community across the state.

### 5,582

2022 EATING AND DRINKING PLACE  
LOCATIONS IN ARKANSAS

### \$7.0 Billion

2022 ESTIMATED EATING AND  
DRINKING PLACE SALES IN ARKANSAS

### 124,000

RESTAURANT AND FOODSERVICE JOBS IN ARKANSAS IN  
**2022 = 10%** OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE STATE

BY 2030, THAT NUMBER IS PROJECTED TO GROW BY  
**7.8% = 9,700** ADDITIONAL JOBS, FOR A  
TOTAL OF **133,700**

A thriving restaurant industry benefits the entire Arkansas economy.

- EVERY ADDITIONAL DOLLAR SPENT IN ARKANSAS'S RESTAURANTS CONTRIBUTES **\$1.92** TO THE STATE ECONOMY.
- EVERY ADDITIONAL \$1 MILLION SPENT IN ARKANSAS'S RESTAURANTS GENERATES **17.8** JOBS IN THE STATE ECONOMY.



# ARKANSAS'S RESTAURANTS

JOBS AND ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY

## U.S. Senators

### EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:

Establishments  
in the state

Employees  
in the state\*

John Boozman (R)

Tom Cotton (R)

**5,582**

**99,500**

## U.S. Representatives

### EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:

Establishments  
in the state

Employees  
in the state\*

**1** Eric A. "Rick" Crawford (R)

1,280

20,247

**2** J. French Hill (R)

1,535

29,377

**3** Steve Womack (R)

1,552

29,976

**4** Bruce Westerman (R)

1,216

19,900

**TOTAL**

**5,582**

**99,500**

\*Arkansas's 99,500 eating and drinking place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 124,000 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://Restaurant.org) | [www.arhospitality.org](https://www.arhospitality.org)

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