



NATIONAL
RESTAURANT
ASSOCIATION



ARKANSAS

RESTAURANT INDUSTRY IMPACT

INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE IN ARKANSAS



Every dollar spent in AR
restaurants contributes
\$1.92
to the state economy



5,816
restaurant locations



126,400
restaurant &
foodservice jobs



\$8B
in sales



10%
of total jobs in the state



4th
largest private
employer in
the state



94%
of restaurants have
fewer than 50 employees

WE ARE RESTAURANTS IN AMERICA



2nd largest
private sector
employer



\$1T+
in sales



Nation's **most
diverse
industry**



9 in 10
restaurants are
**small
businesses**

JOBS & ENTREPRENEURIAL
OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY
ARKANSAS RESTAURANTS



ARKANSAS

RESTAURANT
INDUSTRY
IMPACT

EATING & DRINKING PLACES

U.S. SENATORS

Establishments

Employees*

John Boozman (R)

5,816

102,700

Tom Cotton (R)

EATING & DRINKING PLACES

U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

Establishments

Employees*

1 Eric A. "Rick" Crawford (R)

1,333

20,898

2 J. French Hill (R)

1,599

30,322

3 Steve Womack (R)

1,617

30,940

4 Bruce Westerman (R)

1,267

20,540

TOTAL

5,816

102,700

*The 102,700 eating and drinking place jobs in Arkansas represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 126,400 jobs, with the remainder being non-restaurant foodservice positions.



For more information: Restaurant.org | ARHospitality.org

Source: National Restaurant Association, based on data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Bureau of Economic Analysis and U.S. Census Bureau; 2023 data