



NATIONAL
RESTAURANT
ASSOCIATION



ARKANSAS
RESTAURANT
INDUSTRY
IMPACT

INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE
IN ARKANSAS



5,801
restaurant locations



\$9.9B
restaurant &
foodservice sales



4rd
largest private
employer in the state



Every dollar spent in AR
restaurants contributes
\$1.69
to the state economy



126,200
restaurant &
foodservice jobs



\$1.7B
total taxes paid
by restaurants
in the state

WE ARE RESTAURANTS
IN AMERICA



2nd largest
private sector
employer



Nation's **most**
diverse
industry



\$1.4T
restaurant &
foodservice sales



9 in 10
restaurants are
small
businesses

Source: National Restaurant Association, based on data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and U.S. Census Bureau; 2024 data



ARKANSAS RESTAURANT INDUSTRY IMPACT

JOBS & ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY **ARKANSAS RESTAURANTS**

EATING & DRINKING PLACES

U.S. SENATORS

John Boozman (R)
Tom Cotton (R)

Establishments

5,801

Employees*

104,100

EATING & DRINKING PLACES

U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

- Eric A. "Rick" Crawford (R)
- J. French Hill (R)
- Steve Womack (R)
- Bruce Westerman (R)

Establishments

1,290
1,622
1,625
1,264

Employees*

20,155
30,916
32,094
20,935

TOTAL

5,801

104,100

*The 104,100 eating and drinking place jobs in Arkansas represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 126,200 jobs, with the remainder being non-restaurant foodservice positions.



For more information: Restaurant.org | ARHospitality.org