



NATIONAL  
RESTAURANT  
ASSOCIATION



DELAWARE

# RESTAURANT INDUSTRY IMPACT

## INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE IN DELAWARE



Every dollar spent in DE  
restaurants contributes  
**\$1.78**  
to the state economy



**2,264**  
restaurant locations



**52,100**  
restaurant &  
foodservice jobs



**\$3.3B**  
in sales



**11%**  
of total jobs in the state



**2nd**  
largest private  
employer in  
the state



**93%**  
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  
**DELAWARE RESTAURANTS**



DELAWARE

RESTAURANT  
INDUSTRY  
**IMPACT**

**EATING & DRINKING PLACES**

**U.S. SENATORS**

Establishments

Employees\*

Thomas R. Carper (D)  
Christopher A. Coons (D)

**2,264**

**41,900**

**EATING & DRINKING PLACES**

**U.S. REPRESENTATIVES**

Establishments

Employees\*

Lisa Blunt Rochester (D)

2,264

41,900

**TOTAL**

**2,264**

**41,900**

\*Delaware's 41,900 eating and drinking place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 52,100 jobs, with the remainder being non-restaurant foodservice positions.



For more information: [Restaurant.org](http://Restaurant.org) | [DelawareRestaurant.org](http://DelawareRestaurant.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