



NATIONAL
RESTAURANT
ASSOCIATION



DELAWARE
RESTAURANT
INDUSTRY
IMPACT

INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE
IN DELAWARE



2,349
restaurant locations



\$4.7B
restaurant &
foodservice sales



3rd
largest private
employer in the state



Every dollar spent in DE
restaurants contributes
\$1.61
to the state economy



49,600
restaurant &
foodservice jobs



\$500M
total taxes paid
by restaurants
in the state

WE ARE RESTAURANTS
IN AMERICA



2nd largest
private sector
employer



Nation's **most**
diverse
industry



\$1.5T
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; 2025 data



DELAWARE RESTAURANT INDUSTRY IMPACT

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

U.S. SENATORS

Christopher A. Coons (D)
Lisa Blunt Rochester (D)

EATING & DRINKING PLACES

Establishments

Employees*

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38,900

U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

Sarah McBride (D)

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*Delaware's 38,900 eating and drinking place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 49,600 jobs, with the remainder being non-restaurant foodservice positions.



For more information: Restaurant.org | DelawareRestaurant.org

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