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ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE RESTAURANT & FOODSERVICE INDUSTRY



TENNESSEE

SUMMER
2025

In 2025, Tennessee’s eating and drinking places are projected to contribute **\$37.06B in direct economic output** to the state’s economy, support **336,980 jobs**, and deliver **\$12.25B in total labor income**, including wages, salaries, and proprietors’ income, and benefits.

These contributions spur additional spending in the U.S. economy. When including indirect and induced impacts from employees, suppliers, and others in the surrounding area, the industry’s total economic impact rises to **\$63.47B in output**, supporting **453,351 jobs**, and **\$21.09B in total labor income**.

The industry will also be a major source of public revenue. Direct contributions will total **\$5.58B in taxes** to all levels of government, including \$399.5M in county taxes, \$1.86B in state taxes and \$2.79B in federal taxes. With induced and indirect effects included, total contributions will reach **\$8.89B in taxes**, with \$570.12M in county taxes, \$2.71B in state taxes and \$4.84B in federal taxes.

TENNESSEE - ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS

BY TYPE OF EATING AND DRINKING PLACES, 2025

		OUTPUT	EMPLOYMENT	LABOR INCOME	TAXES
FULL SERVICE RESTAURANTS	Direct	\$14.83B	138,315	\$5.24B	\$2.24B
	Total	\$25.57B	188,936	\$8.91B	\$3.59B
LIMITED-SERVICE RESTAURANTS	Direct	\$16.97B	141,374	\$4.69B	\$2.49B
	Total	\$30.01B	202,135	\$9.03B	\$4.07B
ALL OTHER EATING AND DRINKING PLACES	Direct	\$5.26B	57,292	\$2.32B	\$858.14M
	Total	\$9.25B	77,440	\$3.78B	\$1.38B

Source: National Restaurant Association calculations using 2023 IMPLAN data



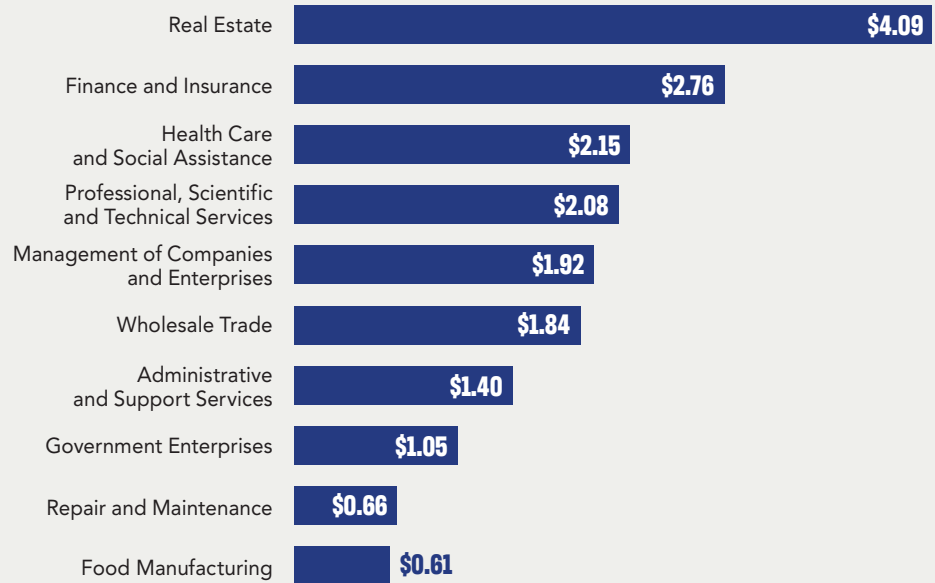
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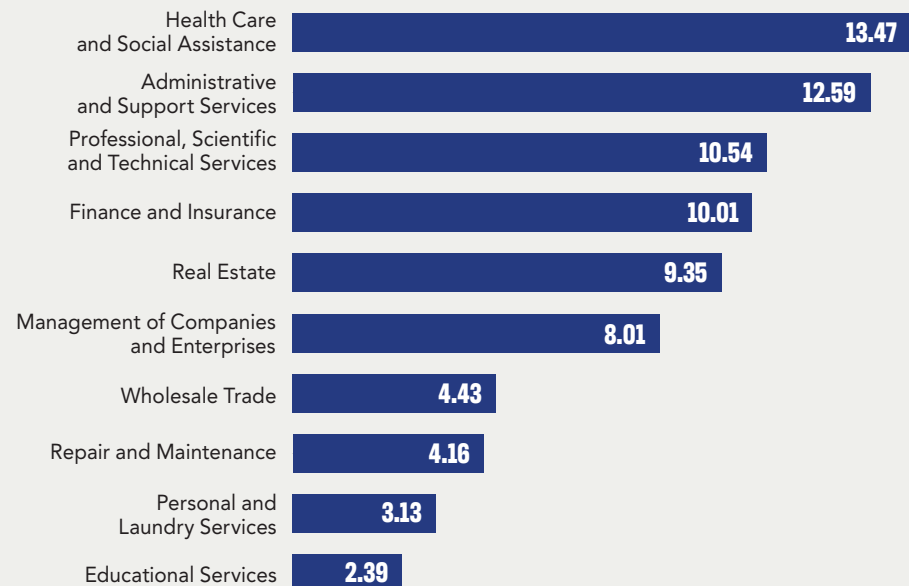
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TENNESSEE LARGEST INDIRECT AND INDUCED OUTPUT IMPACTS FROM EATING AND DRINKING PLACES, 2025 (IN BILLIONS OF DOLLARS)



Source: National Restaurant Association calculations using 2023 IMPLAN data

TENNESSEE LARGEST INDIRECT AND INDUCED EMPLOYMENT IMPACTS FROM EATING AND DRINKING PLACES, 2025 (IN THOUSANDS OF WORKERS)



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TENNESSEE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS

ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS FROM EATING AND DRINKING PLACES, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT		OUTPUT	EMPLOYMENT	LABOR INCOME	TAXES
TN-01	Direct	\$4.96B	43,310	\$1.81B	\$777.52M
	Total	\$7.18B	54,490	\$2.47B	\$1.07B
TN-02	Direct	\$4.40B	39,683	\$1.53B	\$647.50M
	Total	\$6.77B	50,512	\$2.34B	\$933.68M
TN-03	Direct	\$3.99B	38,642	\$1.17B	\$571.49M
	Total	\$5.48B	45,506	\$1.63B	\$748.09M
TN-04	Direct	\$2.93B	27,915	\$873.62M	\$424.83M
	Total	\$3.70B	31,490	\$1.08B	\$515.93M
TN-05	Direct	\$3.46B	29,773	\$1.21B	\$464.34M
	Total	\$3.94B	31,602	\$1.38B	\$517.99M
TN-06	Direct	\$4.00B	35,555	\$1.35B	\$569.61M
	Total	\$4.93B	39,594	\$1.64B	\$680.09M
TN-07	Direct	\$6.71B	59,003	\$2.33B	\$913.24M
	Total	\$8.41B	65,866	\$2.94B	\$1.10B
TN-08	Direct	\$3.37B	31,973	\$1.03B	\$503.20M
	Total	\$4.25B	36,079	\$1.27B	\$609.11M
TN-09	Direct	\$3.25B	31,127	\$955.55M	\$441.72M
	Total	\$4.52B	36,575	\$1.37B	\$574.92M

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TENNESSEE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS FROM EATING AND DRINKING PLACES, 2025

MSAs		OUTPUT	EMPLOYMENT	LABOR INCOME	TAXES
CHATTANOOGA, TN-GA	Direct	\$2.82B	27,676	\$804.35M	\$410.38M
	Total	\$4.23B	34,556	\$1.24B	\$589.16M
CLARKSVILLE, TN-KY	Direct	\$1.33B	13,485	\$368.52M	\$189.56M
	Total	\$1.82B	15,823	\$497.21M	\$248.32M
CLEVELAND	Direct	\$534.37M	5,445	\$146.90M	\$79.91M
	Total	\$748.06M	6,592	\$210.09M	\$107.42M
JACKSON	Direct	\$855.40M	8,173	\$248.68M	\$128.71M
	Total	\$1.18B	9,854	\$337.78M	\$169.27M
JOHNSON CITY	Direct	\$1.16B	10,986	\$373.03M	\$174.53M
	Total	\$1.69B	13,654	\$535.96M	\$242.15M
KINGSPORT-BRISTOL, TN-VA	Direct	\$1.43B	13,548	\$447.07M	\$223.62M
	Total	\$2.12B	16,939	\$653.88M	\$316.23M
KNOXVILLE	Direct	\$5.22B	47,104	\$1.79B	\$780.82M
	Total	\$8.87B	63,525	\$3.02B	\$1.23B
MEMPHIS, TN-MS-AR	Direct	\$6.10B	58,966	\$1.80B	\$884.54M
	Total	\$10.41B	78,907	\$3.16B	\$1.39B
MORRISTOWN	Direct	\$649.87M	4,953	\$279.86M	\$99.66M
	Total	\$892.13M	6,236	\$348.79M	\$132.55M
NASHVILLE-DAVIDSON-MURFREESBORO-FRANKLIN	Direct	\$13.23B	114,982	\$4.62B	\$1.95B
	Total	\$23.21B	156,805	\$8.27B	\$3.19B

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For an overview of the modeling of the Economic Contributions of the Restaurant and Foodservice Industry fact sheets and official definitions for the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) go to restaurant.org/statistics.