



NATIONAL
RESTAURANT
ASSOCIATION



KENTUCKY

RESTAURANT INDUSTRY IMPACT

INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE IN KENTUCKY



Every dollar spent in KY
restaurants contributes
\$1.93
to the state economy



8,594
restaurant locations



200,200
restaurant &
foodservice jobs



\$12B
in sales



10%
of total jobs in the state



4th
largest private
employer in
the state



92%
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
KENTUCKY RESTAURANTS



KENTUCKY

RESTAURANT
INDUSTRY
IMPACT

EATING & DRINKING PLACES

U.S. SENATORS

Establishments

Employees*

Mitch McConnell (R)

8,594

163,500

Rand Paul (R)

EATING & DRINKING PLACES

U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

Establishments

Employees*

1 James Comer (R)

1,404

24,338

2 Brett Guthrie (R)

1,264

24,738

3 Morgan McGarvey (D)

1,869

36,792

4 Thomas Massie (R)

1,369

26,062

5 Harold Rogers (R)

1,105

20,127

6 Andy Barr (R)

1,582

31,444

TOTAL

8,594

163,500

*Kentucky's 163,500 eating and drinking place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 200,200 jobs, with the remainder being non-restaurant foodservice positions.



For more information: Restaurant.org | KYRA.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