

# Florida

## RESTAURANT INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE

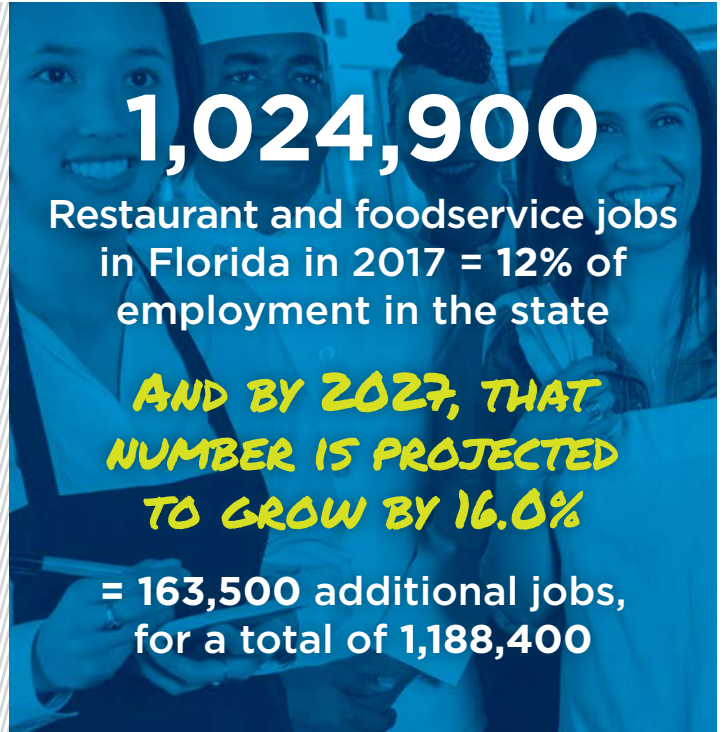
Restaurants are a driving force in Florida's economy. They provide jobs and build careers for thousands of people, and play a vital role in local communities throughout the state.



**39,143**  
Eating and drinking place  
locations in Florida in 2015



**\$41.7 billion**  
Projected sales in Florida's  
restaurants in 2017



**1,024,900**  
Restaurant and foodservice jobs  
in Florida in 2017 = 12% of  
employment in the state

**AND BY 2027, THAT  
NUMBER IS PROJECTED  
TO GROW BY 16.0%**  
= 163,500 additional jobs,  
for a total of 1,188,400

<b>HOW BIG IS AMERICA'S RESTAURANT INDUSTRY?</b>	LOCATIONS	<b>1 MILLION+</b> serving millions every day
	SALES	<b>\$799 BILLION</b> = 4% of the U.S. GDP
	EMPLOYMENT	<b>14.7 MILLION PEOPLE</b> = 10% of the nation's workforce



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# Florida's Restaurants

JOBS AND ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY

## EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:

### U.S. SENATORS

Bill Nelson (D)  
Marco Rubio (R)

Establishments  
in the state

Employees  
in the state\*

**39,143**      **736,600**

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### U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

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1	Matt Gaetz (R)	1,528	28,749
2	Neal P. Dunn (R)	1,424	26,805
3	Ted Yoho (R)	1,064	20,025
4	John H. Rutherford (R)	1,640	30,864
5	Al Lawson, Jr. (D)	1,723	32,429
6	Ron DeSantis (R)	1,546	29,100
7	Stephanie N. Murphy (D)	1,305	24,550
8	Bill Posey (R)	1,472	27,707
9	Darren Soto (D)	1,179	22,187
10	Val Butler Demings (D)	1,704	32,060
11	Daniel Webster (R)	945	17,788
12	Gus M. Bilirakis (R)	1,214	22,846
13	Charlie Crist (D)	1,596	30,027
14	Kathy Castor (D)	1,715	32,268

15	Dennis Ross (R)	944	17,770
16	Vern Buchanan (R)	1,548	29,135
17	Tom Rooney (R)	927	17,440
18	Brian J. Mast (R)	1,398	26,300
19	Francis Rooney (R)	1,797	33,825
20	Alcee L. Hastings (D)	1,632	30,718
21	Lois Frankel (D)	1,156	21,747
22	Theodore E. Deutch (D)	2,126	40,011
23	Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D)	1,772	33,338
24	Frederica Wilson (D)	1,648	31,011
25	Mario Diaz-Balart (R)	1,144	21,536
26	Carlos Curbelo (R)	1,200	22,574
27	Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R)	1,796	33,793
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>39,143</b>	<b>736,600</b>

\*Florida's 736,600 eating-and-drinking-place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 1,024,900 jobs, with the remainder being non-restaurant foodservice positions.



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Source: National Restaurant Association, based on data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics & U.S. Census Bureau, 2015