

North Carolina

RESTAURANT INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE

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



18,318
Eating and drinking place
locations in North Carolina in 2016



\$18.6 billion
Estimated sales in North Carolina's
restaurants in 2017



482,300
Restaurant and foodservice jobs
in North Carolina in 2018 = 11% of
employment in the state

**AND BY 2028, THAT
NUMBER IS PROJECTED
TO GROW BY 14.5%**

= 69,900 additional jobs,
for a total of 552,200

HOW BIG IS AMERICA'S RESTAURANT INDUSTRY?	LOCATIONS	1 MILLION+ serving millions every day
	SALES	\$800 BILLION = 4% of the U.S. GDP
	EMPLOYMENT	15.1 MILLION PEOPLE = 10% of the nation's workforce



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North Carolina's Restaurants

JOBS AND ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY

U.S. SENATORS		EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:	
		Establishments in the state	Employees in the state*
Richard Burr (R)		18,318	368,100
Thom Tillis (R)			
U.S. REPRESENTATIVES		EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:	
		Establishments in the state	Employees in the state*
1	G. K. Butterfield (D)	1,204	24,201
2	George Holding (R)	1,236	24,833
3	Walter B. Jones (R)	1,702	34,204
4	David Price (D)	1,672	33,601
5	Virginia Foxx (R)	1,401	28,154
6	Mark Walker (R)	1,307	26,263
7	David Rouzer (R)	1,340	26,930
8	Richard Hudson (R)	1,033	20,753
9	Robert Pittenger (R)	1,613	32,416
10	Patrick T. McHenry (R)	1,379	27,720
11	Mark Meadows (R)	1,252	25,164
12	Alma S. Adams (D)	1,746	35,092
13	Ted Budd (R)	1,432	28,769
TOTAL		18,318	368,100

***North Carolina's 368,100 eating-and-drinking-place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 482,300 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, 2016