



NATIONAL
RESTAURANT
ASSOCIATION



VIRGINIA
RESTAURANT
INDUSTRY
IMPACT

INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE
IN VIRGINIA



17,246
restaurant locations



\$35.4B
restaurant &
foodservice sales



3rd
largest private
employer in the state



Every dollar spent in VA
restaurants contributes
\$1.74
to the state economy



385,900
restaurant &
foodservice jobs



\$6.2B
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



VIRGINIA
RESTAURANT
INDUSTRY
IMPACT

JOBS & ENTREPRENEURIAL
OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY
VIRGINIA RESTAURANTS

EATING & DRINKING PLACES

U.S. SENATORS

Tim Kaine (D)
Mark R. Warner (D)

Establishments

17,246

Employees*

302,200

EATING & DRINKING PLACES

U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

	U.S. REPRESENTATIVES	Establishments	Employees*
1	Robert J. Wittman (R)	1,674	30,523
2	Jennifer A. Kiggans (R)	1,791	31,433
3	Robert C. "Bobby" Scott (D)	1,666	29,956
4	Jennifer L. McClellan (D)	1,544	27,006
5	John J. McGuire III (R)	1,476	26,460
6	Ben Cline (R)	1,656	28,098
7	Eugene Simon Vindman (D)	1,268	21,359
8	Donald S. Beyer, Jr. (D)	1,727	31,339
9	H. Morgan Griffith (R)	1,291	20,463
10	Suhas Subramanyam (D)	1,386	25,189
11	James R. Walkinshaw (D)	1,765	30,373

TOTAL

17,246

302,200

*Virginia's 302,200 eating and drinking place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 385,900 jobs, with the remainder being non-restaurant foodservice positions.



For more information: Restaurant.org | VRLTA.org