

# West Virginia

## RESTAURANT INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE

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



**3,228**  
Eating and drinking place locations in West Virginia in 2016



**\$2.8 billion**  
Estimated sales in West Virginia's restaurants in 2017



**73,800**  
Restaurant and foodservice jobs in West Virginia in 2018 = 10% of employment in the state

**AND BY 2028, THAT NUMBER IS PROJECTED TO GROW BY 7.7%**  
= 5,700 additional jobs, for a total of 79,500

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



**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** [Restaurant.org](http://Restaurant.org) • [WVHTA.com](http://WVHTA.com)

# West Virginia's Restaurants

JOBS AND ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY

## U.S. SENATORS

	EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:	
	Establishments in the state	Employees in the state*
Joe Manchin, III (D)	<b>3,228</b>	<b>54,000</b>
Shelley Moore Capito (R)		

## U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

	EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:	
	Establishments in the state	Employees in the state*
1 David McKinley (R)	1,328	22,223
2 Alexander X. Mooney (R)	1,008	16,863
3 Evan H. Jenkins (R)	892	14,914
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,228</b>	<b>54,000</b>

\*West Virginia's 54,000 eating-and-drinking-place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 73,800 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