

# Rhode Island

## RESTAURANT INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE

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



**2,786**  
Eating and drinking place  
locations in Rhode Island in 2014



**\$2.3 billion**  
Projected sales in Rhode Island's  
restaurants in 2016



**57,000**  
Restaurant and foodservice jobs  
in Rhode Island in 2016 = 12% of  
employment in the state

**AND BY 2026, THAT  
NUMBER IS PROJECTED  
TO GROW BY 6.3%**

= 3,600 additional jobs,  
for a total of 60,600

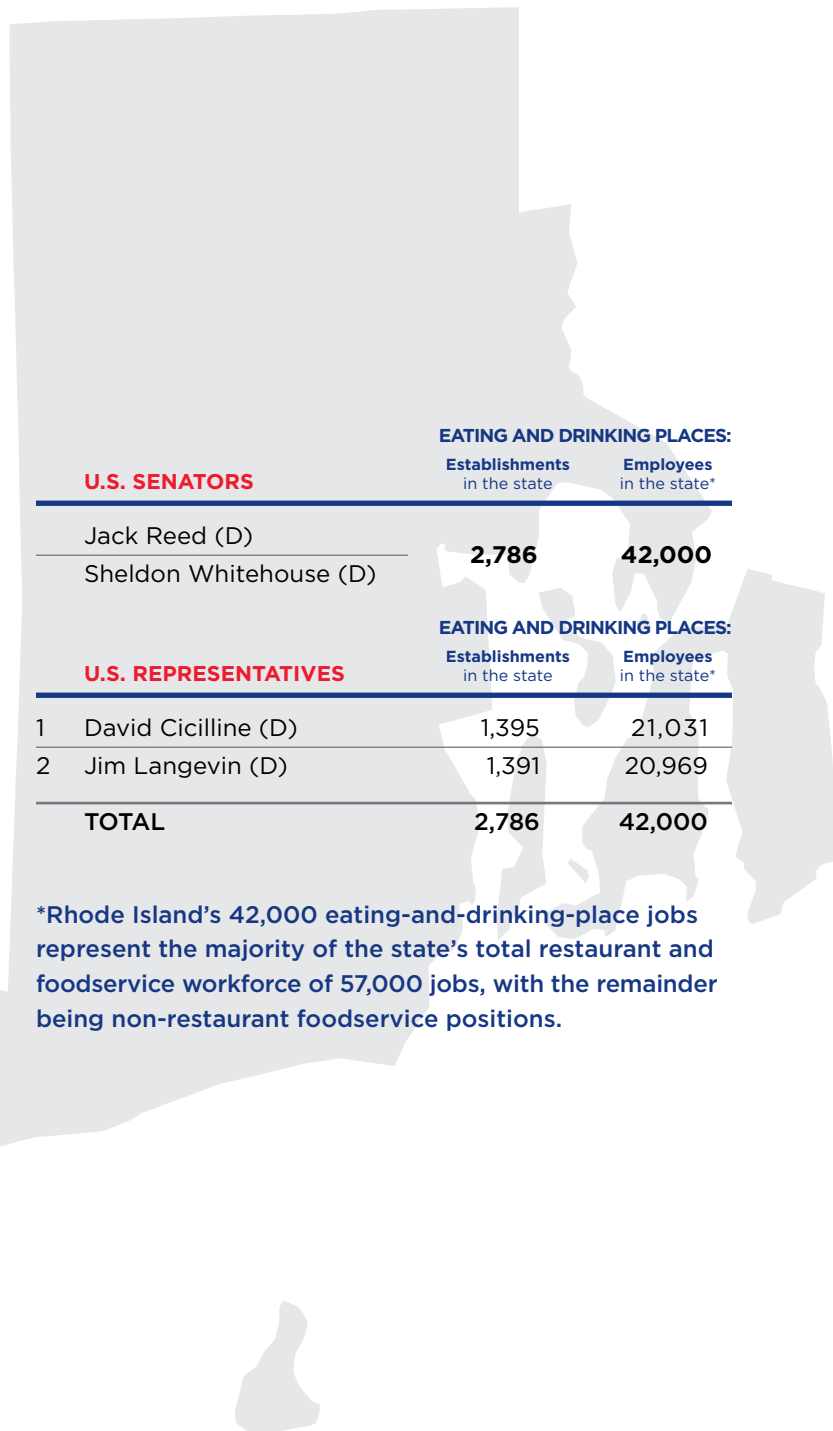
<b>HOW BIG IS AMERICA'S RESTAURANT INDUSTRY?</b>	LOCATIONS	<b>1 MILLION+</b> serving millions every day
	SALES	<b>\$783 BILLION</b> = 4% of the U.S. GDP
	EMPLOYMENT	<b>14.4 MILLION PEOPLE</b> = 10% of the nation's workforce



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

# Rhode Island's Restaurants

JOBS AND ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERY COMMUNITY



## U.S. SENATORS

	EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:	
	Establishments in the state	Employees in the state*
Jack Reed (D)	<b>2,786</b>	<b>42,000</b>
Sheldon Whitehouse (D)		

## U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

	EATING AND DRINKING PLACES:	
	Establishments in the state	Employees in the state*
1 David Cicilline (D)	1,395	21,031
2 Jim Langevin (D)	1,391	20,969
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,786</b>	<b>42,000</b>

\*Rhode Island's 42,000 eating-and-drinking-place jobs represent the majority of the state's total restaurant and foodservice workforce of 57,000 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, 2014