

Pennsylvania

Jobs

- Ninety-six percent of Pennsylvania restaurant operators say they have laid off or furloughed employees since the beginning of the coronavirus outbreak in March. Eleven percent of operators anticipate laying off or furloughing additional employees during the next 30 days.
 - Among restaurant operators that laid off or furloughed employees, the average reduction was 85 percent of the restaurant’s total staff.
 - Based on these results, the National Restaurant Association estimates that more than 332,000 restaurant employees in Pennsylvania have been laid off or furloughed since the beginning of the coronavirus outbreak in March. This represents at least 81 percent of the 408,000 employees that were working at Pennsylvania’s eating and drinking places in February.

Sales

- Ninety-nine percent of Pennsylvania restaurant operators say their total dollar sales volume during the period from April 1 to April 10 was lower it was during the same period in 2019.
 - On average, restaurant operators reported an 82 percent decline in sales during the period from April 1 to April 10.
 - Based on these results, the National Restaurant Association estimates that the Pennsylvania restaurant and foodservice industry will lose more than \$1.8 billion in sales in April, if the trends continue through the end of the month.

Other Actions Taken or Anticipated

- Fifty percent of Pennsylvania operators say they continued operating but for off-premises traffic only. Fifty-one percent of operators anticipate operating for off-premises traffic during the next 30 days.
- Fifty-four percent of Pennsylvania operators say they temporarily closed their restaurant since the beginning of the coronavirus outbreak in March. Forty-nine percent of operators anticipate temporarily closing their restaurant during the next 30 days.
- One percent of Pennsylvania operators say they have permanently closed their restaurant since the beginning of the coronavirus outbreak in March. Three percent of operators anticipate permanently closing their restaurant within the next 30 days.

Percent of Pennsylvania restaurant operators who took or anticipate taking the following actions

Action	Took this action since start of coronavirus outbreak	Anticipate taking this action during the next 30 days
Lay off or furlough employees	96%	11%
Continue operating but for off-premises traffic only	50%	51%
Temporarily close the restaurant (with plans to reopen)	54%	49%
Permanently close the restaurant (with no plans to reopen)	1%	3%

Source: National Restaurant Association, national survey of more than 6,500 restaurant operators conducted April 10-16

Note: With the exception of permanently closing the restaurant, the 'taken' and 'anticipated' actions are not mutually exclusive.