



Fact Sheet Foodservice Industry in Nova Scotia

In Nova Scotia, foodservice operations' (restaurants, bars, etc.) gross sales are the largest contributor to the provincial tourism account, with 23% of the total revenues of tourism coming from the restaurant sector.

In Nova Scotia:

- 1,550 restaurants, bars and catering companies
- 63% are independently owned
- Annual sales of \$1 billion
- Profit before taxes 3.8%
 - Salary & payroll costs 31%
 - 67% all other expenses
- Served over 60 million meals in 2010
- Share of provincial GDP 5.1%
- Employs over 22,000 employees in communities across Nova Scotia
- Share of provincial employment 7%
- Youth employees 11,300
- Share of provincial youth employment 17.5%
- Share of solid waste in NS 0.74%
 - 17% take-out packaging and 83% other waste

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