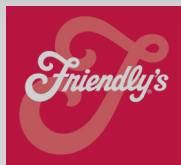


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“I started as a server at a Friendly’s in Massachusetts as soon as I graduated high school. Ten years later, in 2009, I started working at the North Providence store. I love my job and my crew — I’ll be a lifer for Friendly’s.”

Errin Davis
Friendly’s



North Providence, Rhode Island

RHODE ISLAND RESTAURANT INDUSTRY AT A GLANCE:

53,100 Rhode Islanders

In 2015, restaurants account for 53,100 jobs in Rhode Island — 11% of employment in the state.



1 in 3 Americans begin their working careers in the restaurant industry



1 in 2 adults have worked in the restaurant industry