

Mr Adrian Cummins

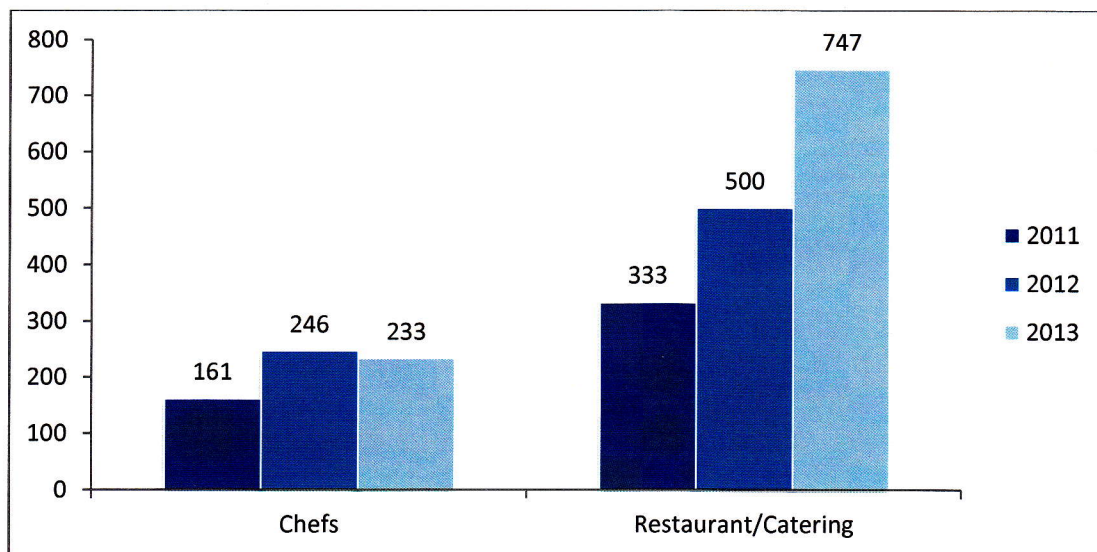
Restaurant Association of Ireland  
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St Augustine Street  
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Dear Adrian,

I am writing on behalf of jobs.ie to express full support for Restaurant Association of Ireland in its efforts to keep VAT at 9% for restaurants and the hospitality sector.

Since 2011 jobs.ie has seen an increase in ads posted looking for chefs and restaurant staff in general.

Figure 1: Jobs posted per sector 2011-2013 on www.jobs.ie



The hospitality sector is a key industry for jobs.ie. Its growth since 2011 has been crucial in allowing us to meet our business goals.

A return to 2011 levels of activity in the restaurant sector would have a ripple effect on jobs.ie, and other service providers, that would certainly curtail our growth.

Again, jobs.ie supports the lower VAT rate of 9% for the hospitality sector and tourism related activities.

Kind Regards,

**Gregory Owens**  
General Manager