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End of Mask Mandates Sees Need for Restaurant and Food Workers Soar

Double-digit growth in demand for waiters and waitresses, bartenders, food preparation workers in last 30 days, finds PeopleReady

TACOMA, Wash., March 16, 2022 /PRNewswire/ -- As mask mandates come to an end in many parts of the U.S., demand for restaurant and food workers is soaring. Across the restaurant industry, many typical job postings have increased by double digits in the last 30 days, according to an analysis by staffing firm PeopleReady.



The substantial job growth numbers point to a continued rebound from one of the industries hardest hit by the pandemic, says PeopleReady. Some of the jobs seeing the highest increase in postings over the last 30 days include:

Waiters and waitress job postings have risen by **31%**

The need for **bartenders** is up **28%**

Host and hostess jobs have increased by **23%**

Job postings for **cooks** are up **19%**

The demand for **fast-food workers** is up **17%**

And **food preparation worker** job postings have risen by **15%**

"As industries like the restaurant industry continue their recovery, the demand for workers to help will only increase," said Taryn Owen, president and COO, PeopleReady and PeopleScout. "Rebounding amid the current staffing shortage is a significant barrier for many businesses, and staffing firms are proving a vital partner through this challenging time."

As part of its ongoing recruitment efforts to help fill the ever-increasing need for workers across all industries, PeopleReady is holding nationwide hiring events this week. The staffing company has a variety of ways for job seekers to access job opportunities via app ([JobStack](#)) and online (jobs.peopleready.com).

About PeopleReady

PeopleReady, a TrueBlue company (NYSE: TBI), specializes in quick and reliable on-demand labor and highly skilled workers. PeopleReady supports a wide range of blue-collar industries, including construction, manufacturing and logistics, waste and recycling, and

hospitality. Leveraging its game-changing [JobStack](#) platform and 600-plus branch offices across all 50 states, Puerto Rico and Canada, PeopleReady served approximately 94,000 businesses and put approximately 220,000 people to work in 2021. Learn more at www.peopleready.com.

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