## MIDWEST Daing

What's New on Menus Jalapeno Popper Turkey Sandwich
Au Bon Pain


Made with a three-cheese blend and cream cheese.

Pretzel Bacon Pub Classic Chicken Sandwich Wendy's


Topped with warm beer cheese sauce and a slice of muenster.

Monteverde Chicken Parm Shake Shack


With sliced buffalo mozzarella and giardiniera buttermilk mayo.

## Menu WINnovations



With more Americans returning to pre-pandemic their life-styles and eating more away from home, sandwiches are top of mind for their portability. In fact, about a third of consumers (31\%) report that their primary reason for purchasing sandwiches from foodservice is that they're easy to eat on the go.

Partly due to their affordability, sandwich orders are on the rise. With inflation pressing on consumers, it's not surprising that more consumers reported ordering sandwiches this year. In 2022, 66\% of consumers ordered sandwiches at least once a month (up from 62\% in 2020).

## Drive more traffic with a wide variety of sandwich and cheese options.

 Most consumers (96\%) prefer cheese on their sandwich orders.
## Top Growing Sandwiches on Lunch \&

 Supper menus96\% of
Plant-based Protein Sandwich (+29.7\%)
Eggplant Parmesan Sandwich (+5.5\%)
Other Beef Sandwich (+4.0\%)
Chicken Parmesan Sandwich (+4.0\%)

- Avocado Toast (+3.8\%) consumers* prefer cheese on their sandwiches.

Percentage indicates YoY increase in menu mentions

## Top Cheeses on Lunch \& Supper Sandwiches*



Source: Technomic Ignite Menu, Q2 2021 - Q2 2022
Base: 155,487 Menu Items across 16,671 operators
*Source: Technomic 2022 Sandwich Consumer Trend Report
*Percent of sandwich menu items that include each cheese type

## Top Growing Cheeses on Lunch \& Supper Sandwiches

- Bocconcini (+11.1\%)
- Cotija (+8.0\%)
- Criollo (+8.0\%)
- Chevre (+7.7\%)
- Oaxaca (+7.2\%)
- Queso (+6.8\%)
- Parmesan (+4.5\%)
- Halloumi (+4.3\%)
- Paneer (+3.6\%)

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