


History
The creation and naming of the sandwich has been attributed to the 4th Earl of Sandwich, John Montagu. In 1762 the earl, who was fond of gambling, asked his cook to prepare him a meal that wouldn't require cutlery nor interfere with his 24 hour long gambling streak. The cook gave him sliced meat between two pieces of toast, which allowed the earl to have one hand free to continue his game.


## Some figures

1762 - the year when the word 'sandwich' was first used by Edward Gibbon.

12 billion - the number of sandwiches consumed every year in the U.K.

5,440 pounds - the weight of the world's largest sandwich.
£345 - the price of the most expensive sandwich ever, created by Chef Tom Bridge

1,500 - the number of PB\&J sandwiches consumed by the average American before they graduate high school.

607 - the record for the most sandwiches prepared simultaneously, achieved by the British Sandwich Association (U.K.)
> $\$ 28,000$ - the price of the most expensive sandwich ever sold, a grilled toast sandwich



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