

For fast, no-nonsense lunch options right by the Pennsylvania Convention Center, these are your quickest bets—each one close, efficient, and easy to get in and out of.

⚡ Quickest Picks Near the Convention Center

Down Home Diner

Great for a fast, hearty plate inside Reading Terminal Market. Counter-service style makes it easy to grab and go.

Dutch Eating Place

Another Reading Terminal favorite with super-efficient service. Known for quick breakfasts and lunches at the counter.

Darling Jack's Tavern

A sit-down option, but still relatively quick if you need something a bit more polished without a long wait.

Hard Rock Cafe

Casual, predictable, and fast—especially if you sit at the bar.

El Vez

Trendy Mexican spot; better for a quick seated meal if you hit it before the rush.

Maggiano's Little Italy

More of a sit-down experience, but still doable if you need a quick pasta or salad and you're nearby.

Foods On First Diner

Classic diner speed—fast service, simple menu, and close enough for a quick turnaround.

Molly Malloy's

Inside Reading Terminal Market with fast counter service and plenty of quick bites.

Nan Zhou Hand Drawn Noodle House

Noodles are hand-pulled in-house and added to soups & stir-fries at this casual Chinatown restaurant.

Bonchon Philadelphia

Casual chain serving cooked-to-order Korean Fried chicken, plus other traditional eats.