

# Small Caliber Ammunition

## INVESTMENT COMPONENT

Modernization

Recapitalization

Maintenance

## MISSION

To provide America's warfighters with the highest quality, most capable small caliber ammunition for training and combat.

## DESCRIPTION

The Small Caliber Ammunition program consists of the following cartridges: 5.56mm, 7.62mm, 9mm, 10-gauge and 12-gauge shotgun, .22 caliber, .30 caliber, and .50 caliber. Small Caliber Ammunition supports the M9 pistol, M16A1/A2/A4 rifle, M4 carbine, M249 squad automatic weapon, M240 machine gun, .50-caliber M2 machine gun, sniper rifles, and a variety of shotguns. The .30 caliber blank cartridge supports veterans service organizations performing veterans' funeral honors.

## SYSTEM INTERDEPENDENCIES

Small Caliber Ammunition is dependent on the weapons currently in use.

## PROGRAM STATUS

- **Current:** In production

## PROJECTED ACTIVITIES

- **FY10:** Produce and deliver 1.4 billion rounds (5.56mm, 7.62mm, and .50 caliber)
- **FY10:** 5.56mm M855 Lead Free Slug (LFS) replacement program initial production
- **FY10:** Lake City Army Ammunition Plant modernization program completes in FY12.

## ACQUISITION PHASE

Technology Development

Engineering & Manufacturing Development

Production & Deployment

Operations & Support

**Small Caliber Ammunition**

**5.56mm**



**7.62mm**



**.50 Cal**



**FOREIGN MILITARY SALES**

**5.56mm, 7.62mm, .50 caliber:**

Afghanistan, Columbia, Czech Republic, El Salvador, France, Hungary, India, Iraq, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Tunisia, and Yemen

**CONTRACTORS**

Alliant Techsystems (Independence, MO)  
 General Dynamics Ordnance and Tactical Systems (St. Petersburg, FL)  
 Olin Corp. (East Alton, IL)  
 General Dynamics (Saint Marks, FL)  
 SNC Technologies (LeGardeur, Canada)

