

Medium Caliber Ammunition

Provides warfighters with overwhelming lethality overmatch in medium caliber ammunition for Current and Future Force systems.



DESCRIPTION AND SPECIFICATIONS

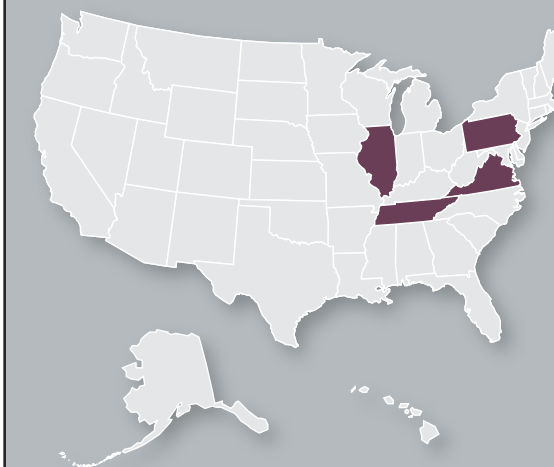
Medium caliber ammunition includes 25mm, 30mm, and 40mm armor-piercing and antipersonnel cartridges with the capability to defeat light armor and personnel targets. Target practice cartridges are used to train soldiers in the use of warfighting rounds. The 25mm cartridge is used in the Bradley Fighting Vehicle. The 30mm cartridges are used in the Apache helicopter's M230 Chain Gun. The variety of 40mm cartridges are designed for use in the MK19 Grenade Machine Gun and the M203 Grenade Launcher.

PROGRAM STATUS

- **1QFY05** Material release, MK281 40mm target practice cartridge

PROJECTED ACTIVITIES

- **2QFY05** Implement new 40mm acquisition strategy; award systems integrator contracts
- **1QFY06** Production of M910E1 (25mm) target practice cartridge begins



CONTRACTORS

General Dynamics Ordnance and Tactical Systems (Marion, IL and Red Lion, PA)
Alliant Techsystems (Radford, VA)
American Ordnance (Milan, TN)

INVESTMENT COMPONENT

Modernization

ACQUISITION PHASE

- Production and Deployment