

# FOOD PURCHASE REPORT

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## USDA DELI-STYLE TURKEY BREAST AND SMOKED TURKEY BREAST PROGRAM ANNOUNCED:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today announced plans to purchase frozen, fully cooked, deli-style turkey breasts and deli-style smoked turkey breasts for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers will be invited from the trade in one or more of the following forms:

Deli-Style Turkey Breast (233040) – Frozen fully cooked deli-style turkey breast, produced from nonbasted, young ready-to-cook chunked and formed turkey breast meat. Each deli turkey breast must be vacuum packaged in shrinkable oxygen- and moisture-proof bags or casings, and be packed four 9 to 11 pound (4.08 to 4.99 kg) deli turkey breasts per fiberboard shipping container. Each deli turkey breast must weigh not less than 9 pounds (4.08 kg) and not more than 11 pounds (4.99 kg). A purchase unit will total 40,000 pounds (18,144 kg).

Deli-Style Smoked Turkey Breast (233140) – Frozen fully cooked deli-style smoked turkey breast, produced from nonbasted, young ready-to-cook chunked and formed turkey breast meat. Smoked turkey breast must be vacuum packaged in shrinkable oxygen- and moisture-proof bags or casings, and be packed four 9 to 11 pound (4.08 to 4.99 kg) smoked turkey breasts per fiberboard container. Each smoked turkey breast must weigh not less than 9 pounds (4.08 kg) and not more than 11 pounds (4.99 kg). A purchase unit will total 40,000 pounds (18,144 kg).

Invitation No. 1, inviting offers due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, June 27, is being issued in the near future. Acceptances will be announced by midnight Friday, July 1, for products to be delivered from Aug. 1 to Aug. 15. Subsequent invitations will be issued inviting offers due the second and fourth Monday of each month.

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?>. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

There are some important changes to this year's program. All contractors and subcontractors must have a documented and operational food security plan that provides for the security of a plant's production processes. Vendors must certify in their Appendix-1 that they have a food security plan. Additionally, all offeror's must be registered in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). ORCA can be accessed at

[www.bpn.gov](http://www.bpn.gov). Offerors must have an active registration in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) to access ORCA. All other certifications that apply strictly to Poultry Programs will still be made annually and are contained in Appendix-1. The certifications will be made one time only for all Poultry Program Announcements for the program year. All certifications, in ORCA and Appendix-1, must be completed prior to submitting a bid.

Although most other provisions of the program are similar to the program operated last year, offerors are urged to carefully read all applicable terms and conditions of USDA-1, as amended; Announcement PY-298; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specification for Deli-Style Turkey Breasts and Smoked Turkey Breasts dated June 2005, which will be distributed to the trade in the near future; and Invitation No. 1.

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer; USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260; 1400 Independence Ave., SW; Washington, DC 20250. An electronic version of this Food Purchase Report can be obtained through the world-wide-web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

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