## **GET THE FACTS:**

### **Sodium Reduction Tips**

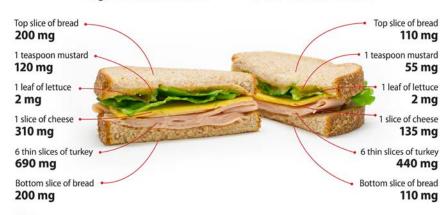


#### **Tips for Reducing Sodium**

- Buy fresh, frozen (no sauce), or no-saltadded canned vegetables.
- Use fresh poultry,\* fish, pork,\* and lean meat, rather than canned or processed meats.
- When available, buy low-sodium, lowersodium, reduced-sodium, or no-salt-added versions of products.
- Limit sauces, mixes, and "instant" products, including flavored rice and ready-made pasta.
- Compare Nutrition Facts labels on food packages for percent Daily Value or amount of sodium in milligrams.

# Choose wisely—sodium content can vary within food categories

Higher Sodium Choices Lower Sodium Choices



Total = 1,522 mg per whole sandwich Total = 852 mg per whole sandwich

#### Which of These Sauces Is Lower in Sodium?



The majority of sodium in our diets is from packaged food and is a direct result of food processing. Even foods that may not taste salty can be substantial sources of sodium.

Check the amount of sodium per serving, and don't forget to check the number of servings per container!

Remember, the 2015–2020 Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommend that Americans consume less than 2,300 milligrams (mg) of sodium each day as part of a healthy eating pattern. Learn more at www.cdc.gov/salt.

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<sup>\*</sup> Check to see if saline or salt solution has been added if so, choose another brand.