The tight margins and complexities of the meat industry mean operational agility is essential in order to meet rapidly changing market demands.

Retailers want greater shelf life, food safety regulations are becoming increasingly stringent, and variable livestock and raw material characteristics such as grade, weight and fat content are all factors which impact your processing options and costs.

Cost control, yield management and traceability are critical to your success.

**Meatfocus for Microsoft Dynamics® AX** is designed to streamline operations and control costs to meet the unique challenges facing the meat and livestock sector.

A business that effectively manages its data is better able to make informed and timely decisions.

Focus!

Achieve increased productivity, reduced costs, and transform your business with Meatfocus for Microsoft Dynamics AX, a focused ERP software solution for meat and livestock processors and distributors.

- Match push-supply with pull-demand
- Meet quality and delivery commitments
- Understand and minimise true costs of processing
- Provide lot traceability
- Drive your yields
- Maintain complete visibility of inventory
Microsoft Dynamics® AX is a flexible, integrated, enterprise resource planning (ERP) solution that streamlines financial, customer relationship, and supply chain processes, giving you visibility across your organisation. Easy to use, it works like and with familiar Microsoft software, easing adoption and reducing the risks inherent with implementing a new solution.

Based on the rich foundation that Microsoft Dynamics AX provides, Transform Solutions have used their AX expertise, along with hands-on experience in the meat processing sector, to develop Meatfocus for Microsoft Dynamics® AX.

Providing one source of the truth, Meatfocus allows you to understand and minimise true costs of processing and distribution, whilst meeting strict quality regulations and delivery commitments.
OVERALL BENEFITS

Manage your supply chain capacity. Improve visibility across your supply chain by using the booking management process to manage how much, when and where to get livestock delivered. Measure and track yields by item, operation and finished goods, and adjust operations to eliminate waste.

Manage costing of inventory with precision. Follow the latest commodity pricing, value inventory at Net Realisable Value (NRV) or cost, use formulas to track co-product costs as allocated costs from raw materials, and cost out by-products, yield, recycles, scrap, and waste.

Dual units of measure capability. View and manage your inventory by using catch weight and/or set weight throughout the system.

Full traceability of all inventory. View and manage batch and serialised inventory throughout each process of the operation.

Seamless integration with shop floor systems. Utilising Microsoft SQL Server technologies data can be seamlessly transferred between the shop floor capture systems and Dynamics AX.

Maximise your IT investments. Tight integration with other Microsoft products extends the capabilities of the Microsoft Dynamics AX solution to help ensure fast return on investment.

FEATURES AND CAPABILITIES

Livestock procurement — manage the procurement of livestock for both short term and long term bookings.

Body reconciliation — ensure complete and accurate allocation of all inventory.

Shrinkage management — easily manage shrinkage claims and avoid issuing credits.

Grid price management — grid pricing is easy in Meatfocus, with user defined variables and pricing templates.

Precise inventory costing — easily manage inventory costing to Net Realisable Value (NRV) or cost.

Production costing and analysis — group and allocate costs, and understand yields by production runs; including recording of inventory at market value or cost.

Manage shipments — easily manage shipments from picking, despatch, customs documentation and invoicing.

Shelf life and best before dates — ensure timely processing using a solution that supports both a physical and logical status for material. This provides visibility into the expiration dates of inventory lots, and uses first expire first out (FEFO) and first in first out (FIFO) logic.

Cut Plan Hierarchy — use the Cut Plan Hierarchy to provide visibility and management of your cut plans with mutual exclusivity and related cuts.

Lot track and trace at the sub lot/serial level — advanced tracking and tracing functions increase chances of passing industry regulatory audits and ensures complete accountability in case of any recall issues.

Inverse Bill of Materials — manage hundreds of stockkeeping units (SKUs) developed from a single material, and generate material resource plans (MRP) for any co-product.

Inventory management — gain quick and easy inventory reporting and item substitution with a multi-level item hierarchy.

Catch Weight — track the weight of variable or “catch weight” items at each stage in the manufacturing process so you can place orders, cost products, price, ship, and invoice by actual weight.
Meatfocus for Microsoft Dynamics AX

To find out more about how Meatfocus for Microsoft Dynamics® AX can transform your business day, contact Dialog IT Dynamics Practice today to arrange a free, no obligation, business analysis with one of our senior consultants.