

# Why cloud is the future for food and beverage manufacturers.

## Your At-A-Glance guide.

Profitability for food and beverage manufacturers hinges on being fast, streamlined and connected in real-time across dispersed operations. Historically, manufacturers have relied on a patchwork of systems to keep them lean and competitive, supported by a constant stream of expensive and time-consuming IT upgrades.

**But now cloud ERP – based on a Software as a Service (SaaS) delivery model – is fast becoming the preferred approach for industry leaders.**

## What's driving the move?

### Data on-demand

Employees can access real-time data: anytime, from anywhere, using a simple Internet connection.

### Less management burden

Management and maintenance of the system that serves the software lies outside the manufacturer's responsibility.

### Pay only for what you use

Subscription-based pricing makes cloud cost-effective compared to the usual 'perpetual license' client/server software model.

### Robust and secure

Modern database structures and security technology mean that multi-tenant cloud systems deliver robust and secure operations.

### Embrace the future

Read on to see how you can conserve capital, as well as become more competitive and customer orientated with a cloud ERP >



A Plex Cloud ERP customer assigned an ex-CIA employee to spend a month trying to break into the Plex Manufacturing Cloud. He could not do it.

## Constant visibility across day-to-day operations.

Always on, real-time data, accessible from anywhere is not just a benefit but a necessity for food and beverage manufacturers with operations in more than one location. Cloud makes vital production and supply chain information available to users at all times — increasing productivity, speeding problem resolution and driving smarter decision-making across supply, production and sales processes.

## Beyond that, cloud delivers exceptional security and robustness.

### Highest possible security levels

World-class cloud providers use a Failure Mode & Effects Analysis (FMEA) system to close security gaps and stay ahead of hackers. Plex Cloud ERP also employs a 'White Hat' security service that continuously scans the system, searching for vulnerabilities.

### Tried and tested crash protection

Cloud providers offer backups to backups: built-in redundancies which ensure that customer data remains safe and accessible by multiple fiber cables. Our Storage Area Networks are fault-tolerant too: there is no single point of failure that could crash the entire system.

### Unrivalled reliability

Most cloud providers rely on two or three separate Internet service providers for robust connectivity and fail-over to ensure uninterrupted Internet service, alongside backup for electrical power.

### Disaster readiness

Cloud providers offer more sophisticated disaster recovery plans than an individual manufacturer can. The Plex Manufacturing Cloud's state-of-the-art data center uses the same construction techniques as a bank vault and can withstand all types of natural disasters and physical attacks.

### Transform profitability.

Call Plex at **855-534-8012** and let's talk about our unique cloud ERP solutions built from the plant floor up.