



Two-Tier: Deploying Microsoft Dynamics AX in entities of corporations

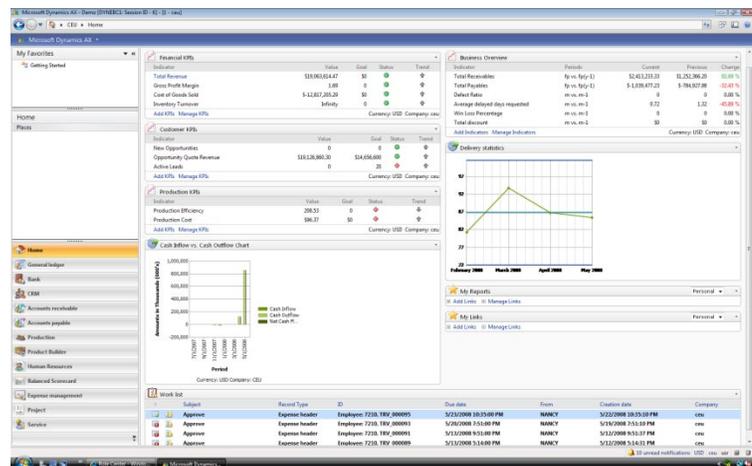
BENEFITS

- **Flexibility and ease of deployment**
Increase agility with the ability to scale quickly and cost-effectively to meet the changing needs of smaller entities, and streamline business processes as your organization expands.
- **Industry-specific functionality**
Meet the particular demands of your industry with end-to-end functionality that includes process and discrete manufacturing, distribution, retail, and professional services.
- **Integration with legacy systems**
Synchronize all data and transactions for complete visibility across your organization with the Microsoft Dynamics AX 2009 service-oriented architecture (SOA), native integration platform, and Microsoft® BizTalk® Server.
- **Ease of use**
Helps reduce training time and makes it easier for people to get up to speed quickly with an intuitive user interface and tight integration with familiar Microsoft products, including Microsoft Office and Microsoft SharePoint® Server.
- **Low total cost of ownership (TCO)**
Help reduce operational costs by deploying a familiar solution that is easy to use, improves reporting capabilities, and adapts to the unique business processes of your subsidiaries, divisions, and branches.

Gain agility and reduce costs by standardizing on one business application for your subsidiaries, divisions, and branches.

Make Microsoft Dynamics® AX the preferred business solution for your entities. Use a proven solution that is agile, industry-enabled, easy to use, and integrates with the legacy solution at your company headquarters.

With Microsoft Dynamics AX, you can effectively manage the complexities of a global organization across locations and countries by consolidating and standardizing business processes, gaining visibility, and simplifying compliance requirements with a cost-effective, custom solution.



Get a consolidated overview of your business directly from your Role Center.

Some headquarters ERP solutions are too large and complex to adapt to the unique requirements of smaller, local entities. Using Microsoft Dynamics AX in a two-tier ERP approach, you can meet those specialized requirements with a custom solution and easily implement vertical functionality. Manage change with the ability to scale quickly, and help improve the quality of data and reporting while lowering operational costs.

FEATURES

Two-tier ERP deployment strategy

Use Microsoft Dynamics AX as your preferred solution to handle business processes for your subsidiaries, branches, departments and fully integrate with the financial solution at your headquarters. The solution can run in multiple IT governance models (decentralized, centralized, or federated) and integrate consolidated financial data across your multiple sites and international locations with the headquarters solution while maintaining local financial information relevant to each location.

Flexible integration

Meet a range of business requirements by deploying multiple integration scenarios—from simple financial consolidation to advanced scenarios in which Microsoft Dynamics AX communicates with your legacy system at the transaction level to expand your supply chain. The solution scales so that you can deploy the same core model across your organization regardless of project size.

Industry-specific capabilities

Leverage innovative, industry-specific functionality for manufacturing, distribution, retail, professional services, the public sector, and other key industries. Microsoft Dynamics AX delivers a rich industry foundation on which partners build packaged vertical applications to help you meet unique industry needs.

Simplified compliance

Help reduce the risk and liability associated with regulatory compliance, corporate compliance and policies, product compliance, and customer initiatives that vary widely across regions and countries by implementing internal controls and using built-in multisite, multilanguage, and multicurrency capabilities.

Global presence

Sustain your worldwide business strategy with a global solution that is available and localized for 37 countries in 40 languages, and gain support from the extended international partner ecosystem of Microsoft Dynamics AX.

Reduced costs

Reduce your total cost of ownership (TCO) by deploying a cost-effective, scalable solution that meets the unique needs of your smaller entities. You can also reduce costs and simplify deployment by taking advantage of the proven implementation methodology of Microsoft Dynamics Sure Step.

Improved productivity

Get people up and running quickly with minimal training and improve organizational efficiencies with the familiar user experience of Microsoft Dynamics AX. With easy-to-use tools, you can work quickly and make smart, proactive decisions.

Fits with existing systems

Maximize your existing technology investment and take advantage of tight technology integration across Microsoft products, including BizTalk Server, Microsoft SharePoint technologies, Microsoft SQL Server[®], Windows Workflow Foundation, Microsoft Office Communications Server, and Microsoft Office Project Server.

For more information about Microsoft Dynamics two-tier ERP solutions, visit www.microsoft.com/dynamics/en/us/erp-two-tier.aspx

For more information about Microsoft Dynamics AX, visit www.microsoft.com/dynamics/en/us/products/ax-overview.aspx.