

Bring order to your orders,
monitor your manufacturing
progress immediately, and drive
quality into every aspect of your
manufacturing operation with
Infor ERP VISUAL. You'll make
more confident decisions, solve
problems faster, and get
great results.



# Infor ERP VISUAL

# Stop guessing.

Order-driven manufacturing is complex enough—you don't want to guess every time you quote a price on a job or estimate a delivery date. You need to see, at a glance, the impact of every order, constraint, and bottleneck in your organization so that you can manufacture at a level of speed and efficiency that makes the best use of the resources that you have. When you have a tool that lets you stop guessing, you can start delivering consistently profitable results.

# A patented process for efficient manufacturing.

Your business doesn't have infinite manufacturing capacity, but most solutions build schedules assuming that you do because that's the only thing they can calculate. We created Infor™ ERP VISUAL to correct that flawed assumption, of "infinite scheduling," which lies behind all other manufacturing software products. That glaring flaw leads to bottlenecks, delays, inflated costs, and hopelessly unreliable planning. Their approach is often worse than useless—you'd do better by throwing darts. You get an entirely different approach to shop-floor scheduling, thanks to our developers' half century of experience. The patented finite scheduling algorithm in VISUAL accounts for your actual capacity—that includes on-hand and expected material availability. A few competitors have responded with ersatz finite scheduling features—they shroud calculations in a "black box" and leave you guessing whether your schedule relies on valid assumptions. With VISUAL, you get schedules that don't leave you guessing—you can see all the system's

calculations and assumptions, so that you can make more confident decisions and keep your promises to customers. You'll also know in advance that every job you quote will yield a profit.

### Seeing is understanding.

You need actionable information, not just words and numbers. You need a solution that delivers a real-time picture of everything that's happening, taken as a whole—that's why you need VISUAL. You'll see a compelling visual presentation, diagramming how all the parts of your manufacturing process relate to each other so that you'll instinctively know what to do to resolve bottlenecks, make effective schedules, and price jobs accurately.

You'll be better able to cope with the endless stream of unexpected demands that you confront every day with VISUAL. You can't eliminate surprises, but you can prepare to handle constant changes more quickly and profitably with VISUAL.

• Check Schedule Availability Customer change requests don't have to upend your manufacturing process. At a glance, you'll be able to see whether any change request is feasible and what the impact of that change will be on every aspect of your manufacturing process. Your customer service representatives will be able to handle a range of simple change requests on their own, without



#### **Facts**

- · Created especially for order-driven manufacturing
- · Patented process for better scheduling
- · Quality control is fully integrated with manufacturing
- Drag and drop customization
- Easy Lean feature helps streamline your workflow
- Graphical display shows you everything at a glance
- Government reporting requirements are fully supported

having to tie up other departments with added decision making.

- Business intelligence. Not every dollar of revenue is equally profitable. You can increase your profitability overnight by not accepting unprofitable orders—once you have enough information to tell the difference. You'll know in advance which products, customers, and orders earn a profit and which don't, thanks to VISUAL's built-in business intelligence. You don't have to fire your customers, if you don't want, but you can establish price and service levels that keep you in the black on every order.
- Quality. Your quality control efforts need to begin before
  you start manufacturing, and they have to be part of your
  process every step of the way. Otherwise, you're letting
  your customers become your quality control managers by
  returning products, a very expensive proposition for
  everyone. Make quality an inherent part of your daily work,
  not an afterthought, with VISUAL's built-in quality control
  features. You'll avoid costly returns and rework, and you'll
  end up with happier customers.
- Plant and equipment maintenance. The cost of unplanned downtime cascades through your entire business, cuts into revenue, and creates headaches for you and for your customers. You can take advantage of the plant and equipment maintenance features in VISUAL to improve your maintenance program and reduce downtime. You'll also see how to manage planned downtime at a minimum cost to your business.



Through our exclusive graphical displays, you'll map your entire business process visually and have the tools to help you reach your most important goals, including:

- Greater profitability. By giving you real-time data about profitability down to the product and customer level,
   VISUAL helps you quickly weed out money losing activities. You'll increase profits without struggling for more revenue.
- Better quotes. When you know that you can keep every
  promise you make to customers, you'll build reliable, long
  term business relationships that benefit both you and
  your customers. You'll stop losing money through
  inaccurate quotes thanks to VISUAL's built in business
  analytics and advanced costing reports.
- Less firefighting. Surprises are normal in order-driven manufacturing, but surprises don't need to become crises—you get a clear, complete, up-to-the-minute view of your entire operation so that you can adjust to customer changes and new opportunities as the need arises. You also can model "what if" scenarios for any manufacturing decision so that you can grasp its full impact on costs, schedules, and resources. Everyone in your company will instantly know what to do next and you'll accomplish everything faster.
- Higher quality. Decades of customer loyalty can vanish
  with one quality failure. Don't let it happen to you. Cultivate
  lasting customer loyalty by building a quality assurance
  program that ensures superior results every day. Make
  quality intrinsic to your manufacturing process, from
  design to delivery, with Infor ERP VISUAL.

#### See your progress now.

Winning teams can't afford to wait until after the game to adjust their strategy. You can't either. Basing tomorrow's strategy on financial statements from last week, last month, or last quarter is a formula for failure. You can make adjustments while you're in the game because you can see all of your key statistics on a single screen. With VISUAL's immediate performance data, you'll have instant answers to critical questions, including:

- · Are you on schedule?
- Are materials arriving on time?
- Are costs in line with estimates?

You need to respond effectively to all surprises if you want to achieve consistently great performance. By giving you a clear, systematic process for evaluating your operations and responding to new situations, Infor ERP VISUAL helps you think strategically and manufacture successfully.

#### There is a better way.

At Infor, we work with a core belief. We believe in the customer. We believe that the customer is seeking a better, more collaborative relationship with its business software provider. And a new breed of business software: created for evolution, not revolution. Software that's simple to buy, easy to deploy, and convenient to manage. Our 70,000 customers in more than 100 countries stand with us. We look forward to your sharing in the results of our belief. There is a better way. For additional information, visit www.infor.com.



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