

The Challenges

Procurement leaders are increasingly asking what digital transformation means for them and how they deliver it for their organisation.

Despite access to exchange-traded soft commodities like sugar and grain, baked goods suppliers and manufacturers **Leipurin**, **Vandemoortele** and **Warburtons** are finding that they have blind spots in their data for key ingredients and flavourings such as vanilla. These ingredients often represent significant spends to the business, and negotiating the best price based on current market conditions is essential.

A lack of price visibility for these key ingredients restricts their ability to benchmark these market prices to actual supplier prices, preventing cost-saving opportunities from being identified. Potentially resulting in higher costs and increased competitive risk.

This situation is compounded by the challenges caused by a lack of time and resources, limiting their ability to integrate and analyse disparate data sources. The result is an incomplete picture where a lack of clarity restricts collaboration, hinders their ability to standardise processes and maximise efficiency savings.

Furthermore, the lack of granular raw material price data prevents effective cost modelling from monitoring price volatility's effects on product costs. Ultimately, restricting the companies' ability to adapt its buying strategy and buyers to negotiate effectively with suppliers.

Mintec's Solution

Mintec implemented its raw materials and commodity price tracking services through Mintec Analytics, its proprietary commodity price dashboard and supply analytics platform.

This approach has delivered a combination of data, market insight and analytical tools to large manufacturers like **Kambly SA**, **Carrs Foods Grupo Bimbo** and **Lantmannen Unibake**. The solution has enabled them to access any of the +14,000 commodity prices to manage and respond to current challenges accurately.

Mintec Analytics gives them access to:

- Integrated raw material and commodity analysis
- Personalised price dashboards for supplier contract management
- Market insight and extensive price data
- Fast reporting to help you access the information you need
- Benchmarking supplier pricing across a range of commodities

The Benefits

Mintec data and procurement tools have become an integral part of our customers' procurement and product strategies. The breadth of data and access to the insight it provides supports their commercial teams. It helps them free-up valuable time and resources to focus on their core roles – sales, supplier negotiations, and supply strategy.

Access to reliable market prices on relevant materials all in one easy to access location has reduced the time spent collating data, performing analysis and preparing for planning and supplier negotiations. It also underpins their ability to accurately track price movements and enable procurement to respond to any price volatility.

By being able to use the resources in Mintec Analytics, they can better track prices in these markets and benchmark their suppliers. This ensures they are better able to control their costs and remain more competitive.

Mintec Analytics was able to consolidate their workload of manual market tracking and create customised dashboards and cost models for a wide range of products, all of which can be updated regularly and in bulk using data integration tools APIs.

The ROI

Mintec customers' have been able to identify opportunities to save millions using Mintec Analytics. Conservatively, a 1% saving* on £100m budget could result in savings of circa £1 million. An investment that clearly demonstrates a healthy return on investment.



Price Clarity











Automate the bulk integration of 3rd party data and cost models, to get a complete picture of your product costs.

Import Data

products.

Cost Modelling

Easily generate cost

breakdowns including

labour and packaging for

current or planned future

Weather Impact Analysis

Assess the impact of key weather trends on the growing season and crop yields to identify alternative sources.

Negotiation Packs

Reports combining overview of price movements and key drivers for 14,000+ raw material series.

Commodities

View current and historical pricing data, plus indirect costs for 650+ commodity types globally.

Mintec Tools & Analysis

Whether food commodity prices are rising or falling, Mintec price information enables you to negotiate the best prices and defend unsupported price increases with your suppliers.

VISUALISE INTEGRATE **ANALYSE REACT** % Price History Raw materials and Packaging cost Oark Chocolate Bar 5oz

Dashboards

Create tailored dashboards to track the categories, commodities and indicators most relevant to you.

Price Alerts

Set up bespoke alerts and receive notifications based on price changes or movements.

Market Outlook Reports

Understand the short-term price outlook with detailed market reports covering 60 commodity types.

Price Change Reports

Track top level price movements for selected commodities, raw materials or finished goods.