Brewery production
Boosting safety, efficiency and sustainability
How to increase profitability without compromising quality

Competition among breweries continues to intensify, forcing producers to find new ways to improve efficiency and reduce costs. Variable speed drives (VSDs)/variable frequency drives (VFDs), motors and PLCs are indispensable for key processes, and play a critical role in generating energy savings, improving productivity and reducing costs.

**Food and personnel safety**

“I need to make my plant and personnel safety a priority.”

- Employees must not be exposed to hazards: from operating centrifugal blowers and cleaning and maintaining mixers, to risks associated with hot liquids and process steam.

- **Tackle diverse safety demands...**
  - Remote monitoring protects personnel from potentially dangerous processes.
  - Advanced functions, like safe torque off, make sure decanters, conveyors and mixers come to a safe and efficient stop.
  - Dust ignition-certified engine and variable speed drive (VSD)/variable frequency drive (VFD) packages comply with demands of dusty and explosive environments, for example in areas where malt is stored.

- **Conform to the latest food safety requirements...**
  - Updated legislation aimed at improving hygiene and food safety means producers need to change or update equipment to remain compliant.
  - 360 degree accessibility for cleaning and inspection of machinery.

- **Find the big energy users...**
  - Some of the biggest energy users in beverage production include pumps, mixers and decanters.
  - Spotting energy wastage is a challenge.

- **Unlock the saving potential**
  - Replacing throttle valves with VSDs/VFDs on pump control reduces energy costs and cuts maintenance needs.
  - Replacing direct-on-line starting with a high efficiency VSD/VFD and motor package can lower energy costs up to 60 percent and reduce carbon dioxide emissions.
  - ABB Ability™ Operations Data Management zenon helps detect ways to optimize energy and resource consumption. Offers excellent reporting functions that give full production transparency.
  - ABB Ability™ Smart Sensors for low voltage motors and general machinery, help identify energy saving potential.
  - Upgrading to IE5 efficiency class motors, such as synchronous reluctance technology (SynRM) significantly reduces energy consumption.

**Energy efficiency**

“We need to cut our energy bill and carbon footprint.”

- Compliance with high ingress protection standards can prevent product/motor failures in areas where harsh wash downs/chemicals are used.
- Smooth design with no crevices ensures all areas can be cleaned thoroughly to prevent bacterial growth and contamination of ingredients.
Productivity improvement

Keep production agile and accurate...
- Demand is for batches of different quantities and recipes with fast availability.
- Changing constant speed equipment to meet varying production volumes takes time and money.
- Getting access to the right data and turning it into useful information is a challenge.

... with flexible motor-driven solutions
- Wide speed variation possible.
- Production increase often achieved without any extra investment.
- Safely interlink processes from production to logistics and warehousing, through fieldbus and built-in sensors.

“We need better intelligence on how production lines are performing.”

Locate the right information...
- Manually extracting plant data is time-consuming and inaccurate.

... through digital solutions
- Multiple inputs and outputs (I/Os) provide a variety of process information from the VSD/VFD to the motor control.
- Fieldbus technology enables process equipment to integrate with plant control systems, giving greater insights and better control of production.

Operation and maintenance

Lower operational overheads...
- Operational costs must be controlled without compromising safety of plant, personnel or end product.
- Maintenance must be carefully scheduled around planned downtime.

... through advanced maintenance regimes
- Soft starting avoids sudden shock loading, leading to less wear and tear to gears, belts and driven machine.
- ABB Ability™ Condition Monitoring for powertrains deliver accurate, real-time information about VSD/VFD and motor events to ensure equipment is available, reliable and maintainable.
- Global service network and preventive maintenance contracts relieve pressure on in-house teams and increase speed of response to critical issues.
- VSD/VFD pump control software reduces cleaning time. Less water and fewer cleaning materials are required.

“We need the most reliable products and systems to avoid unplanned shutdowns.”

Eliminate production risks...
- Plant shutdowns are costly, from lost production time, spoiled goods and reputational damage.

... by using smart functionality
- Temperature, load, under/overvoltage protection and warning features within VSDs/VFDs help anticipate breakdowns.
- ABB Ability™ Condition Monitoring for powertrains warns of impending failures, long before they happen, reducing unplanned downtime.
- A VSD/VFD real-time clock allows timed tracing of faults, telling operators what happened and when.
- Stainless steel motors last five times longer than standard motors in washdown environments.

“Our production must adapt quickly to meet evolving customer tastes.”

“How can I control rising costs?”
Improving operational efficiency helps boost output and profitability

Each stage of brewery production can be fine-tuned to improve productivity, increase sustainability and enhance safety.

1. RECEIVING & MILLING
   Foreign objects and impurities removed from malt. Malt is passed through roller mills.
   **Applications:**
   - Screw conveyors, bucket conveyors, centrifugal blowers, mills
   **Requirements:**
   - Soft starting
   - Accurate motor control for high quality output
   - High exposure to dust and fibers

2. BARLEY GRAIN STEEPING (MASHING)
   Malt is mixed with water and carefully heated to release sugars.
   **Applications:**
   - Mixers, pumps, centrifugal blowers
   **Requirements:**
   - Accurate control to ensure the correct temperature is reached for converting the right types of sugar

3. BOILING AND ADDING HOPS
   Wort is pumped to a boiling kettle for sterilization and hops are added.
   **Applications:**
   - Pumps
   **Requirements:**
   - High reliability of all motor-driven processes
   - Precision control to ensure all microbes are destroyed

CLEAN-IN-PLACE (CIP)
Automated systems to clean interior surfaces of pipes, processing vessels, tanks etc.
**Applications:**
- Pumps
**Requirements:**
- Water used to clean equipment is a major overhead
- Cleaning times can be shortened with automated CIP systems that use VSD/VFD pump control
- Automated CIP systems require accurate pump control to minimize water use
**CLARIFICATION (WHIRLPOOLING)**

Wort is pumped on the edge of a whirlpool to filter solids like hop residues and protein material. The wort is then cooled down so that yeast can be added.

**Applications:**
- Pumps

**Requirements:**
- Programmable VSDs/VFDs with accurate speed and torque control for optimal batch conditions

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**COOLING**

Improve energy efficiency and reliability of cooling pumps and fans. Cool beer hygienically and efficiently.

**Applications:**
- Compressors, evaporator/cooling tower, cooling water pumps

**Requirements:**
- Cooling is one of the most energy-intensive processes and, as such, high energy efficiency is needed
- Correct flow rate is needed to provide precise cooling of products
- High compressor reliability to avoid downtime destroying end product

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**FERMENTING & FILTERING**

Oxygen allows yeast to ferment and converts dissolved sugars into alcohol and CO₂, and then filtered.

**Applications:**
- Pumps, decanters

**Requirements:**
- Torque control, accuracy and reliability is required to remove particles and to ensure high product quality

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**BOTTLING, CANNING & STORING**

Primary and secondary packaging.

**Applications:**
- Roll & belt conveyors

**Requirements:**
- High reliability of all motor-driven applications
- Precise speed control
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<td>• Changes in liquid pressure threaten reliability of pump impeller and seals&lt;br&gt;• Minimize water during process equipment and pipe cleaning&lt;br&gt;• High energy user&lt;br&gt;• To have better pump speed and flow control compared to throttling with the valve or on-off control with the contactor</td>
<td>• Anti-cavitation software measures motor torque and speed to recognize cavitation&lt;br&gt;• Clean-in-Place (CIP) with easy-to-use pump control software gives correct pressure and flow rate to pipe clean and fill functions&lt;br&gt;• Running motor at half speed requires only 1/8 of power&lt;br&gt;• Variable speed drives enable the pump to adjust flow over a wide range</td>
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<td><strong>Conveyors</strong></td>
<td>• Precise, smooth and consistent control and synchronization of conveyor speeds&lt;br&gt;• Ultimate reliability and safety so production never stops.&lt;br&gt;• Food safety and hygiene requirements demand harsh washdown protection</td>
<td>• The VSD’s built-in brake chopper provides precise control of conveyor deceleration rate(s), without external hardware&lt;br&gt;• Safe torque off (SIL3) prevents unexpected movement of conveyor&lt;br&gt;• Continuous, intermittent or variable speed operation&lt;br&gt;• Food Safe motors</td>
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<td><strong>Mills</strong></td>
<td>• Milling rolls must operate at different speeds to that malt is milled to the predefined quality&lt;br&gt;• High power application creates serious safety risk&lt;br&gt;• Explosive atmospheres due to grain dust</td>
<td>• Each milling roll is controlled by its own VSD/VFD and motor to ensure high quality&lt;br&gt;• Safe torque off brings machine safely into a no-torque state and/or prevents it from starting accidentally&lt;br&gt;• Certified Ex motor and VSD/VFD packages for hazardous environments</td>
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<td><strong>Mixers</strong></td>
<td>• High starting torque, wide mixing speed range and precise control are essential for high quality end product</td>
<td>• Programmable VSDs/VFDs with accurate speed and torque control provide high starting torque and adapt to different mixing loads</td>
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<td>• The VSD/VFD could automatically</td>
<td>• Smooth start up achieved without overdimensioning</td>
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<td>generating vibrations</td>
<td>change to maximum torque above certain speed</td>
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<td>• Restart decanter when spinning</td>
<td>• Flying start function</td>
<td>• Saves time and reduces wear on equipment</td>
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<td>• Efficient decanting</td>
<td>• Reuse screw braking energy with a common DC-bus to the bowl’s</td>
<td>• Improved energy savings, fewer components and less wiring</td>
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<td>• Overcome high starting torque</td>
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<td>Compressors</td>
<td>• Direct torque control (DTC) enables extremely accurate control over</td>
<td>• No need to over dimension system</td>
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<td>• Provide cold air for required temperature,</td>
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<td>precisely and energy efficiently.</td>
<td>• High efficiency motor-drive package (SynRM) provides energy savings</td>
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<td>• Ensuring ultimate reliability of</td>
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<td>compressor operation</td>
<td>• Softstarters are suitable for motors running at full speed</td>
<td>• Typically, up to 40 percent energy savings across speed range</td>
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<td>• Harmonics cause interruptions, interference</td>
<td>• VSD/VFD extends speed range of compressor</td>
<td>• Avoids wear and tear to mechanical parts, ensuring uptime</td>
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01 Programable VSDs/VFDs provide precise speed and torque control for malt milling in breweries to ensure consistent ingredient quality.

02 Mixing accuracy and smooth operation saves energy and improves quality during the mixing of beer wort.

03 VSDs/VFDs can be used to control the array of pumps used in brewery production, reducing pump system energy use by up to 60 percent, while anti-cavitation software extends equipment lifetime.
Features and functions benefiting beverage production

Drives, motors, PLCs and softstarters all play a vital part in keeping your production moving. Choosing the right product with the correct features is essential in ensuring an optimized production.

**Variable speed drives/variable frequency drives**

- **Anti-cavitation software**
  - Extend pump lifetime and secure the process by detecting cavitation and ensuring optimal process or liquid flow
- **Energy efficiency**
  - Control operating costs by seeing energy costs in local currency, kWh and CO₂ emissions
- **Fieldbus compatible**
  - Use information such as flow rates to get the VSD/VFD to adjust motor speed and torque
  - Get detailed insight into productivity performance and quality control through fieldbus comms connecting VSD/VFD with plant monitoring systems
- **Flying start**
  - Reduce wear and save time by starting a motor while the load is still spinning
- **Functional safety**
  - Safely stop applications like mixers and separators using in-built safe torque off (safety level SIL3)
- **Low harmonics**
  - Eliminate supply disturbances that could trip production with built-in active supply unit and integrated low harmonic line filter
- **Reduced noise**
  - Protect staff health and safety with lower motor noise through adaptive switching frequency control
- **Repeatability**
  - Accurately adjust conveyor speed to suit filling rates of products with varying viscosities
- **Soft pipe filling**
  - Increase lifetime of piping and pump system by avoiding pressure peaks
- **Ingress protection**
  - IP55 for washdown zones

**Softstarters**

- **Built-in bypass**
  - Reduce system complexity and size, saving time and money during installation
  - Reduce heat generation from internal losses by activating bypass at full speed
- **Harsh environment use**
  - Ensure uninterrupted production in dusty or wet environments with IP66 keypad and coated electronics
- **Flexible communication**
  - Operate in local and remote mode by accessing all major communication protocols and built-in Modbus-RTU

**Drive and motor packages**

- **High efficiency motor and drive packages**
  - Save energy across the grain production process with high efficiency motors and drive packages
- **Cooling tower packages**
  - Reduce energy, vibration, noise and maintenance costs using a package that removes the gearbox from cooling towers
  - Special low-speed permanent-magnet motor
- **Globally certified Ex drives and motors packages**
  - Protect plant and people and conform to global regulations using tested and certified motors and drives for potentially explosive atmospheres
Programmable logic controllers (PLCs)

- Comprehensive range of scalable PLCs, I/Os and robust HMI control panels delivering performance, quality and reliability
- One integrated engineering tool for programming, simulation and commissioning for PLCs, safety, drives, control panels and network
- Flexible choice of network and fieldbuses to integrate I/O’s, drives, HMI, Scada and 3rd party devices fulfilling the needs of tomorrow
- IIoT gateway functionality onboard the PLCs and control panels offer secure connection to cloud

Low voltage motors

Food zone 1
- IP69 for water rating ensures suitability for aggressive, clean in place washdown procedures
- Uses H1 grease to lower risk of food contamination

Splash zone 2
- Eliminate risk of paint chips entering food chain with paint free motor
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- Surface is easy to clean

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From the factory floor to the cloud and beyond

ABB Ability™ Condition Monitoring for powertrains optimizes the performance and efficiency of electric motor-driven rotating equipment. It enables better decision making by providing real-time access to data on all parameters for drives, motors and general machinery.

**Intelligent powertrain**
The powertrain is equipped with sensors and cloud connectivity and can consist of motors, drives and general machinery.

**Turning data into valuable insights**
Data gathered through VSDs/VFDs’ built-in sensors and loggers together with that collected from ABB Ability™ Smart Sensors fitted to motors and general machinery, can be collected, stored and further accessed via the cloud. The ability to gather and analyze this data insights paired with service expertise can reveal information on the status and condition of your equipment, so that service activities can be scheduled more effectively.
Accessing data for analytics
Detailed information can be extracted into a company’s portal and systems. Information on many aspects of the brewery process is available, including the ability to know exactly when and how production equipment was cleaned. Detailed dashboards give full transparency so that you can take actions that lead to less downtime, extended equipment lifetime, lower costs, safer operations and increased profitability.

Gain a digital advantage
While the data is always at your disposal, ABB service experts can work with you to provide help on how you analyze the data and define the steps for improving your operations.
Ensuring that the right person is exposed to the right information at the right time brings:
• Appropriate response to production challenges, lowering operating costs and product waste.
• Greater insight into various aspects of the brewery process, thereby improving quality and reducing variations, errors and waste.
• Maximum material traceability helps fulfill regulatory compliance.
• Lower risk of production failure and change the maintenance from reactive to predictive.
Our service expertise, your advantage

ABB Motion Services helps customers around the globe by maximizing uptime, extending product life cycle, and enhancing the performance and energy efficiency of electrical motion solutions. We enable innovation and success through digitalization by securely connecting and monitoring our customers’ motors and drives, increasing operational uptime, and improving efficiency. We make the difference for our customers and partners every day by keeping their operations running profitably, safely and reliably.

With a service offering tailored to your needs, ABB Motion Services maximizes the uptime and extends the life cycle of your electrical motion solutions, while optimizing their performance and maximizing your energy efficiency gains throughout the entire lifetime of your applications. We help to keep your applications turning profitably, safely, and reliably.

Digitalization enables new smart and secured ways to prevent unexpected downtime while optimizing the operation and maintenance of your assets. We securely connect and monitor your motors, drives or your entire powertrain to our easy to use cloud service solutions. Connecting your applications also gives you access to our in-depth service domain expertise.

We quickly respond to your service needs. Together with our partners, local field service experts, and service workshop networks, we provide and install original spare parts to help resolve any issues and minimize the impact of unexpected disruptions.

Our tailored to your needs service offerings and digital solutions will enable you to unlock new possibilities. Not only are we your premier supplier of motion equipment, we are your trusted partner and advisor offering support throughout the entire life cycle of your assets. We ensure your operations run profitably, safely and reliably and continue to drive real world results, now and in the future. Our service teams work with you, delivering the expertise needed to keep your world turning while saving energy every day.
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**OUR EXPERTISE**

**AB BER Motion OneCare**
The modular service agreement tailored to your needs

**Partnered solutions**
Bringing expertise and capabilities together to enhance your business performance

**Recovery services**
Fast intervention when something goes wrong

**Data and Advisory services**
Better decision making

**Planned services**
Protect your investment and avoid costly downtime

**Modernization and Performance improvement services**
Optimal performance and lifetime extensions

**Reliability**
Maximizing uptime
Delivering service excellence

**Energy efficiency and Circularity**
Reducing carbon emissions and waste
Driving the tomorrow

**Digital and Innovation**
Delivering digital for success

**Life cycle management**
Extending life cycle
Enhancing performance

**OUR ADVANTAGE**
With you, wherever you are in the world

Partnering with ABB, gives you access to some of the world’s most innovative technology, expertise and solutions.

Global reach
ABB operates in over 100 countries with its own manufacturing, logistics and sales operations together with a wide network of local channel partners that can quickly respond to your needs. Stock availability is good, with short delivery times for many products backed by 24-hour spare parts delivery.

In addition, we work closely with grain producers to develop custom products, services and solutions to help standardize processes across multiple sites and streamline your supply chain.

We have several global R&D centers with thousands of technologists and considerable investments annually on innovation.

End-to-end product portfolio
Alongside its variable speed drives (VSDs)/variable frequency drives (VFDs), motors and soft starters, ABB’s automation offering includes a wide range of scalable PLCs, a selection of HMIs, instrumentation and robotics. With functional safety options, from built-in safe torque off in drives to safety PLCs, you can readily implement safety requirements.
ABB’s offering includes:

- **End-to-end power and automation solutions**, from power distribution, raw material receipt, to process and machine control, to end of line packaging
- **Power protection and power quality solutions** to safeguard equipment and processes
- Industry leading **robotic automation solutions** that improve your speed-to-market, flexibility and help make packaging a differentiator
- A complete range of **protection, connection and wire management solutions** that withstand harsh environments and extreme temperature swings, and provide the reliability needed for continuous operations

**Streamline sourcing**

ABB’s end-to-end product and services portfolio streamlines your sourcing and purchasing activities and standardizes production across multiple sites, saving you money on spare part inventories while reducing maintenance costs.
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