

## **Solving the Beer SKU Squeeze**

## **Features and Benefits**

Durable steel rollers for heavy kegs High roller stop for easy picks Keeps kegs at the point of pick

Industry Group: Ergonomics Assist Systems Equipment Order Fulfillment Solutions

"You can't go out and build a new warehouse every day or expand your existing warehouse. You have to optimize your space, which is exactly what UNEX helped us do for Atlas Distributing."



Sixtel kegs are stored in Span-Track carton flow positions at Atlas' distribution center

A beverage distributor makes room for an influx of craft beers without adding a single inch of new floor space. How did the distributor do it? Span-Track from UNEX helped roll out the "amber" carpet for New England's growing cast of flavorful brews.

At Atlas Distributing, Inc., Director of Operations Shaun O'Halloran faced a conundrum: His inventory of craft beers had steadily increased in the past year and more were on the way.

"We had anticipated growth in the craft beer industry," recalls Shaun. "Inventory was growing in the cooler, and it seemed like we were getting new SKUs every day."

In late 2013, Atlas Distributing was awarded the distributorship for Yuengling, a popular lager from a brewery in Pennsylvania. "Yuengling had not been distributed in Massachusetts since the early 1990s, so this was a big deal — and a big line, which meant we needed to plan accordingly for the most efficient and effective use of our warehouse space," says Shaun.



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