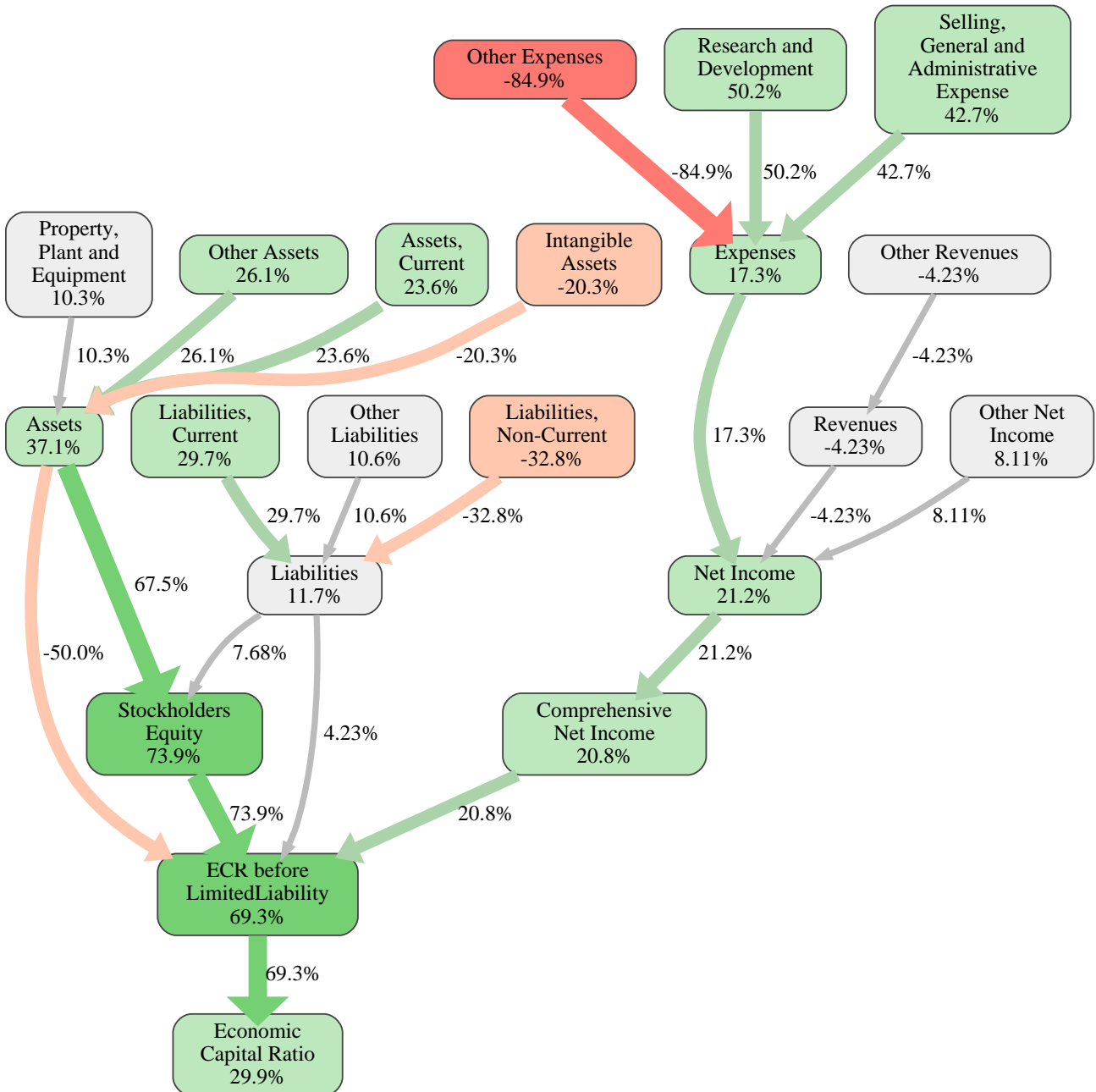




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The relative strengths and weaknesses of First Solar INC are analyzed with respect to the market average, including all of its competitors. We analyzed all variables having an effect on the Economic Capital Ratio.

The greatest strength of First Solar INC compared to the market average is the variable Stockholders Equity, increasing the Economic Capital Ratio by 74% points. The greatest weakness of First Solar INC is the variable Other Expenses, reducing the Economic Capital Ratio by 85% points.

The company's Economic Capital Ratio, given in the ranking table, is 264%, being 30% points above the market average of 235%.

Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Amortization of Intangible Assets	0
Assets, Current	3,832,772
Assets, Non-Current	83,259
Intangible Assets	94,689
Liabilities, Current	650,276
Liabilities, Non-Current	948,919
Other Assets	1,699,244
Other Compr. Net Income	0
Other Expenses	2,869,962
Other Liabilities	166,609
Other Net Income	54,295
Other Revenues	2,941,324
Property, Plant and Equipment	1,154,537
Research and Development	88,573
Selling, General and Administrative Expense	202,699

Output Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Liabilities	1,765,804
Assets	6,864,501
Expenses	3,161,234
Revenues	2,941,324
Stockholders Equity	5,098,697
Net Income	-165,615
Comprehensive Net Income	-165,615
BaseVar	16,105,526
ECR before LimitedLiability	262%
Economic Capital Ratio	264%