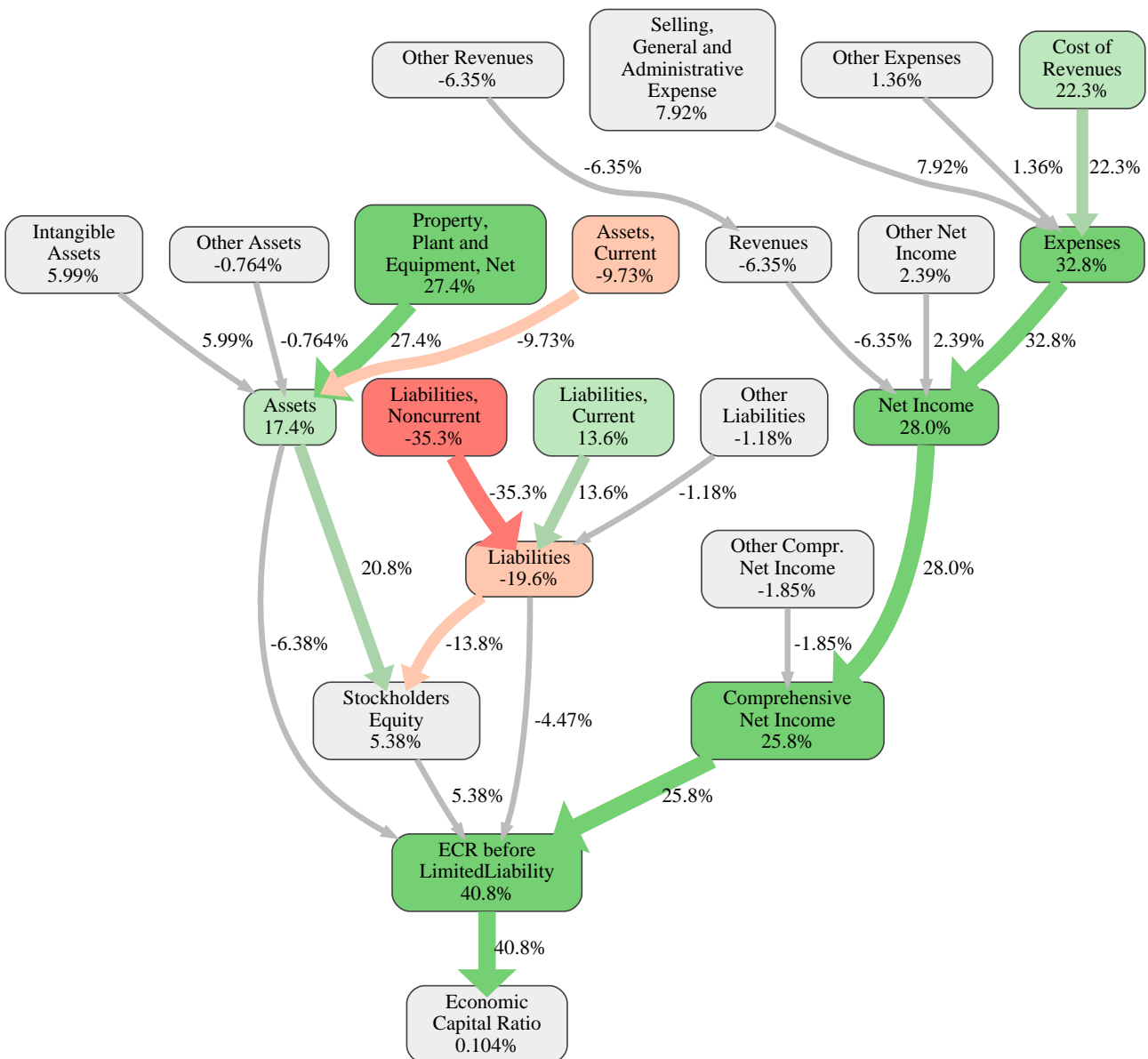




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The relative strengths and weaknesses of Linde INC are analyzed with respect to the market average, including all of its competitors. We analyzed all variables having an effect on the Economic Capital Ratio.

The greatest strength of Linde INC compared to the market average is the variable Expenses, increasing the Economic Capital Ratio by 33% points. The greatest weakness of Linde INC is the variable Liabilities, Noncurrent, reducing the Economic Capital Ratio by 35% points.

The company's Economic Capital Ratio, given in the ranking table, is 115%, being 0.10% points above the market average of 115%.

Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Assets, Current	2,916,000
Assets, Noncurrent	1,271,000
Cost of Revenues	0
Intangible Assets	3,790,000
Liabilities, Current	2,664,000
Liabilities, Noncurrent	8,885,000
Other Assets	0
Other Compr. Net Income	-199,000
Other Expenses	8,712,000
Other Liabilities	1,396,000
Other Net Income	70,000
Other Revenues	11,925,000
Property, Plant and Equipment, Net	12,278,000
Selling, General and Administrative Expense	1,447,000

Output Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Liabilities	12,945,000
Assets	20,255,000
Expenses	10,159,000
Revenues	11,925,000
Stockholders Equity	7,310,000
Net Income	1,836,000
Comprehensive Net Income	1,637,000
BaseVar	27,776,500
ECR before LimitedLiability	46%
Economic Capital Ratio	115%