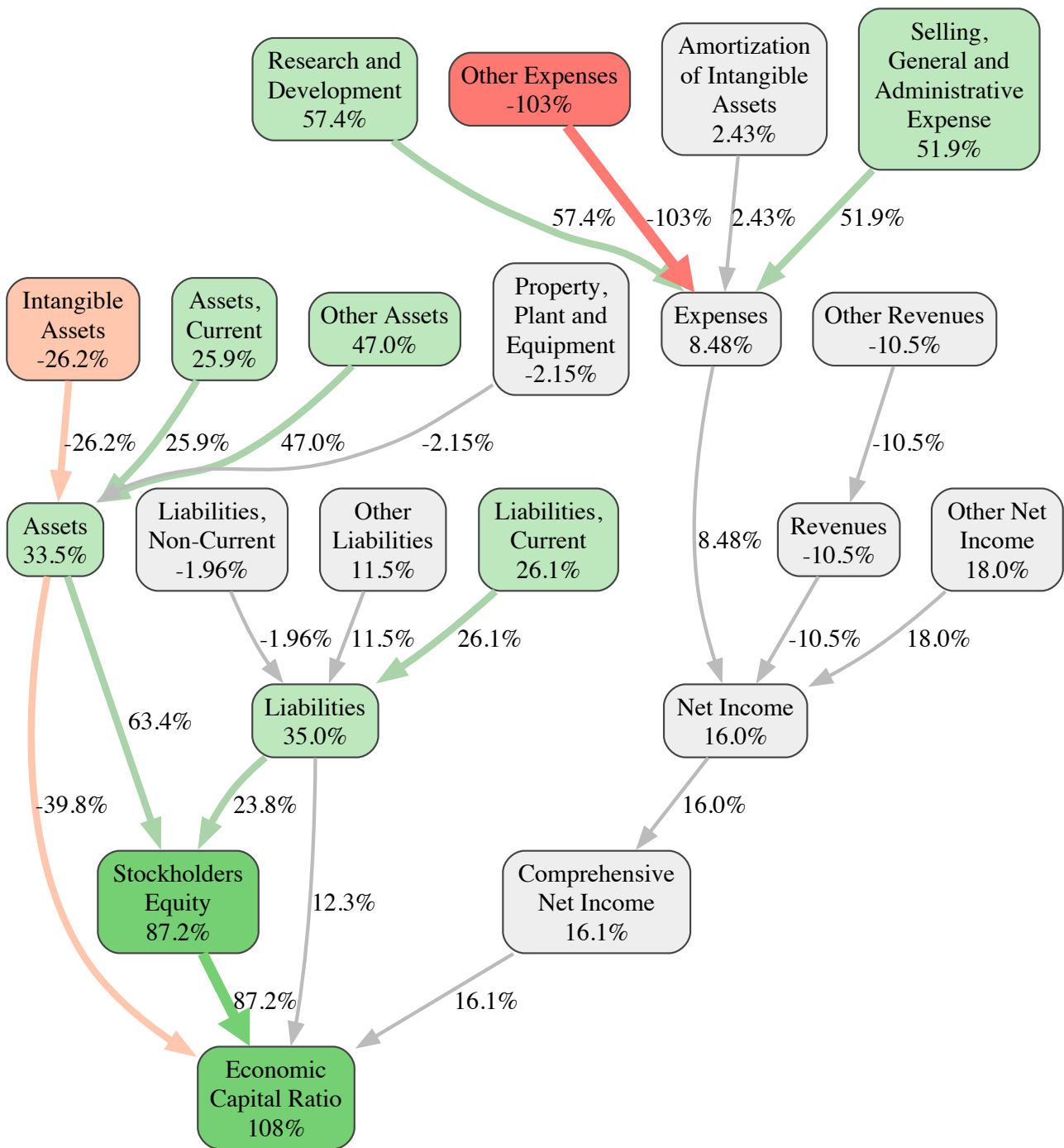




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The relative strengths and weaknesses of First Solar INC are analyzed with respect to the market average, including all of its competitors. We analyzed all variables having an effect on the Economic Capital Ratio.

The greatest strength of First Solar INC compared to the market average is the variable Research and Development, increasing the Economic Capital Ratio by 57% points. The greatest weakness of First Solar INC is the variable Other Expenses, reducing the Economic Capital Ratio by 103% points.

The company's Economic Capital Ratio, given in the ranking table, is 254%, being 108% points above the market average of 146%.

Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Amortization of Intangible Assets	0
Assets, Current	3,786,620
Assets, Non-Current	78,076
Intangible Assets	102,432
Liabilities, Current	899,707
Liabilities, Non-Current	588,542
Other Assets	2,270,943
Other Compr. Net Income	0
Other Expenses	3,145,919
Other Liabilities	166,277
Other Net Income	223,383
Other Revenues	2,951,328
Property, Plant and Equipment	629,142
Research and Development	124,762

Output Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Liabilities	1,654,526
Assets	6,867,213
Expenses	3,532,675
Revenues	2,951,328
Stockholders Equity	5,212,687
Net Income	-357,964
Comprehensive Net Income	-357,964
Economic Capital Ratio	254%



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Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Selling, General and Administrative Expense	261,994