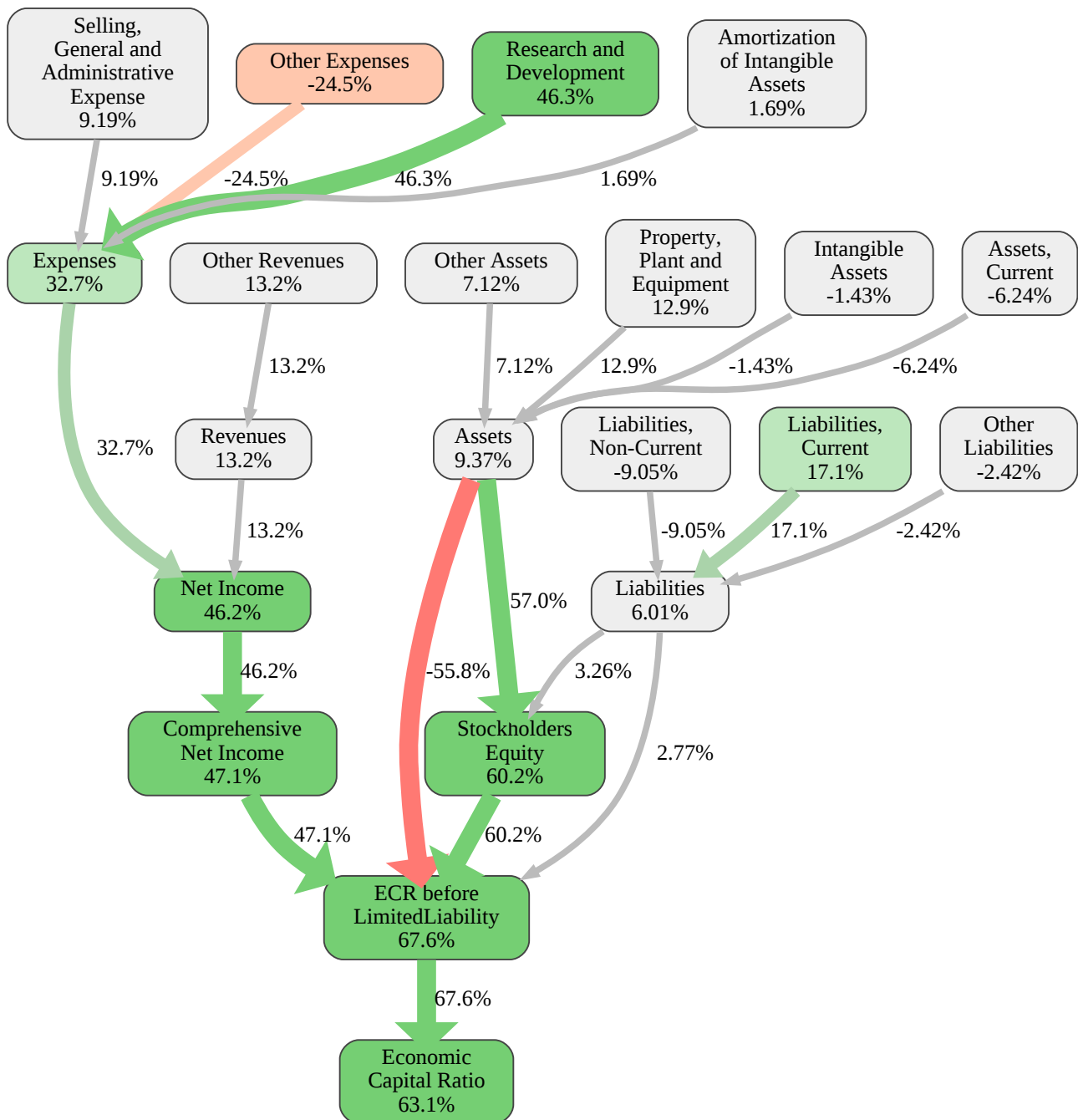




The relative strengths and weaknesses of First Solar INC are analyzed with respect to the market average, including all of its competitors. We analyzed all variables having an effect on the Economic Capital Ratio.

The greatest strength of First Solar INC compared to the market average is the variable Stockholders Equity, increasing the Economic Capital Ratio by 60% points. The greatest weakness of First Solar INC is the variable Other Expenses, reducing the Economic Capital Ratio by 25% points.

The company's Economic Capital Ratio, given in the ranking table, is 401%, being 63% points above the market average of 338%.

Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Amortization of Intangible Assets	0
Assets, Current	1,584,460
Assets, Non-Current	43,488
Intangible Assets	433,288
Liabilities, Current	469,677
Liabilities, Non-Current	322,830
Other Assets	888,378
Other Compr. Net Income	0
Other Expenses	1,495,993
Other Liabilities	132,951
Other Net Income	13,180
Other Revenues	2,563,515
Property, Plant and Equipment	1,430,789
Research and Development	94,797
Selling, General and Administrative Expense	321,704

Output Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Liabilities	925,458
Assets	4,380,403
Expenses	1,912,494
Revenues	2,563,515
Stockholders Equity	3,454,945
Net Income	664,201
Comprehensive Net Income	664,201
ECR before Limited Liability	401%
Economic Capital Ratio	401%