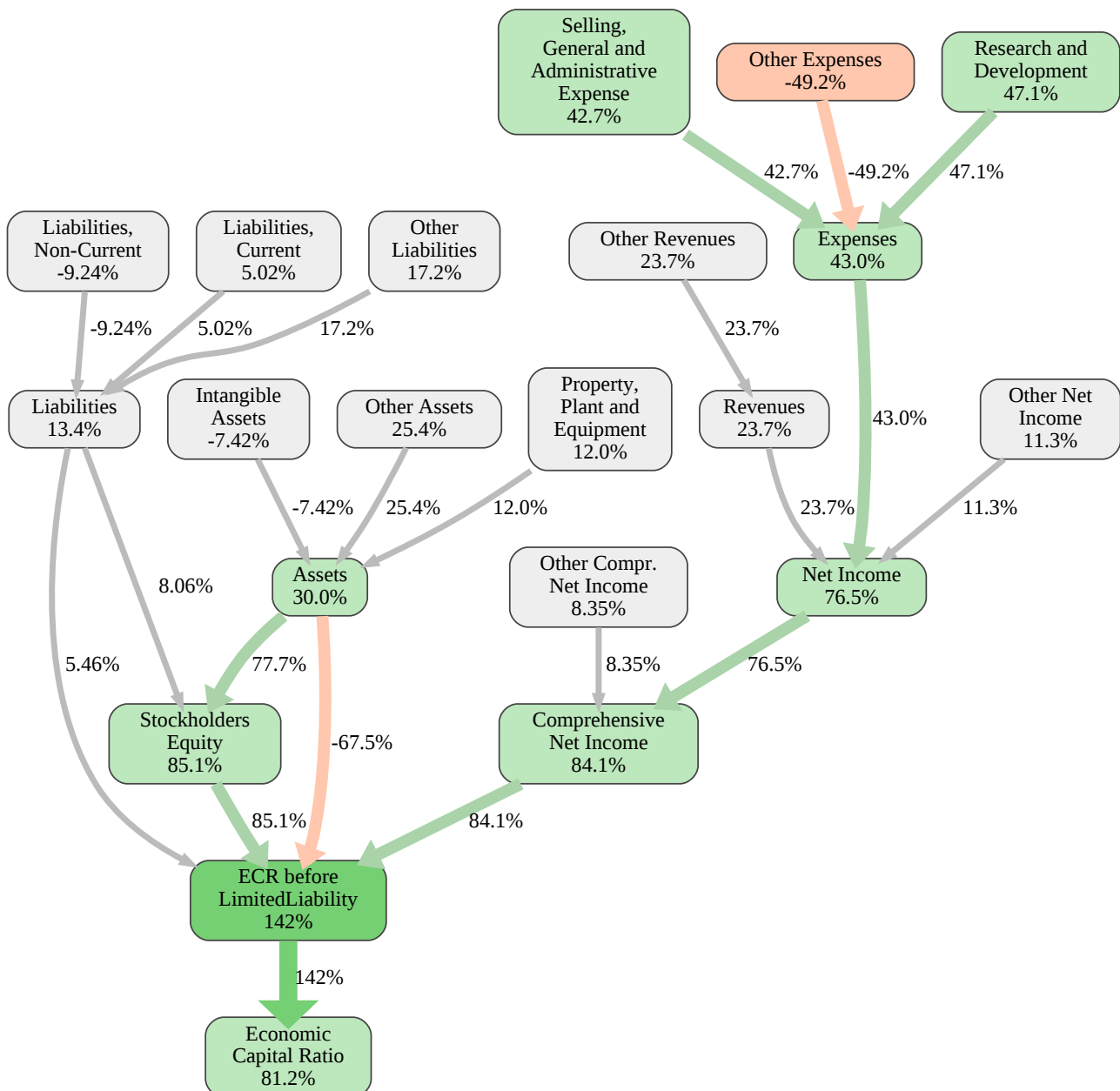




The relative strengths and weaknesses of First Solar INC are analyzed with respect to the market average, including all of its competitors. We analyzed all variables having an effect on the Economic Capital Ratio.

The greatest strength of First Solar INC compared to the market average is the variable Stockholders Equity, increasing the Economic Capital Ratio by 85% points. The greatest weakness of First Solar INC is the variable Other Expenses, reducing the Economic Capital Ratio by 49% points.

The company's Economic Capital Ratio, given in the ranking table, is 323%, being 81% points above the market average of 242%.

Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Amortization of Intangible Assets	0
Assets, Current	3,190,466
Assets, Non-Current	61,555
Intangible Assets	204,221
Liabilities, Current	1,001,096
Liabilities, Non-Current	449,549
Other Assets	1,865,893
Other Compr. Net Income	75,916
Other Expenses	2,601,961
Other Liabilities	246,307
Other Net Income	4,861
Other Revenues	3,391,814
Property, Plant and Equipment	1,402,304
Research and Development	143,969
Selling, General and Administrative Expense	253,827

Output Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Liabilities	1,696,952
Assets	6,724,439
Expenses	2,999,757
Revenues	3,391,814
Stockholders Equity	5,027,487
Net Income	396,918
Comprehensive Net Income	472,834
ECR before Limited Liability	322%
Economic Capital Ratio	323%