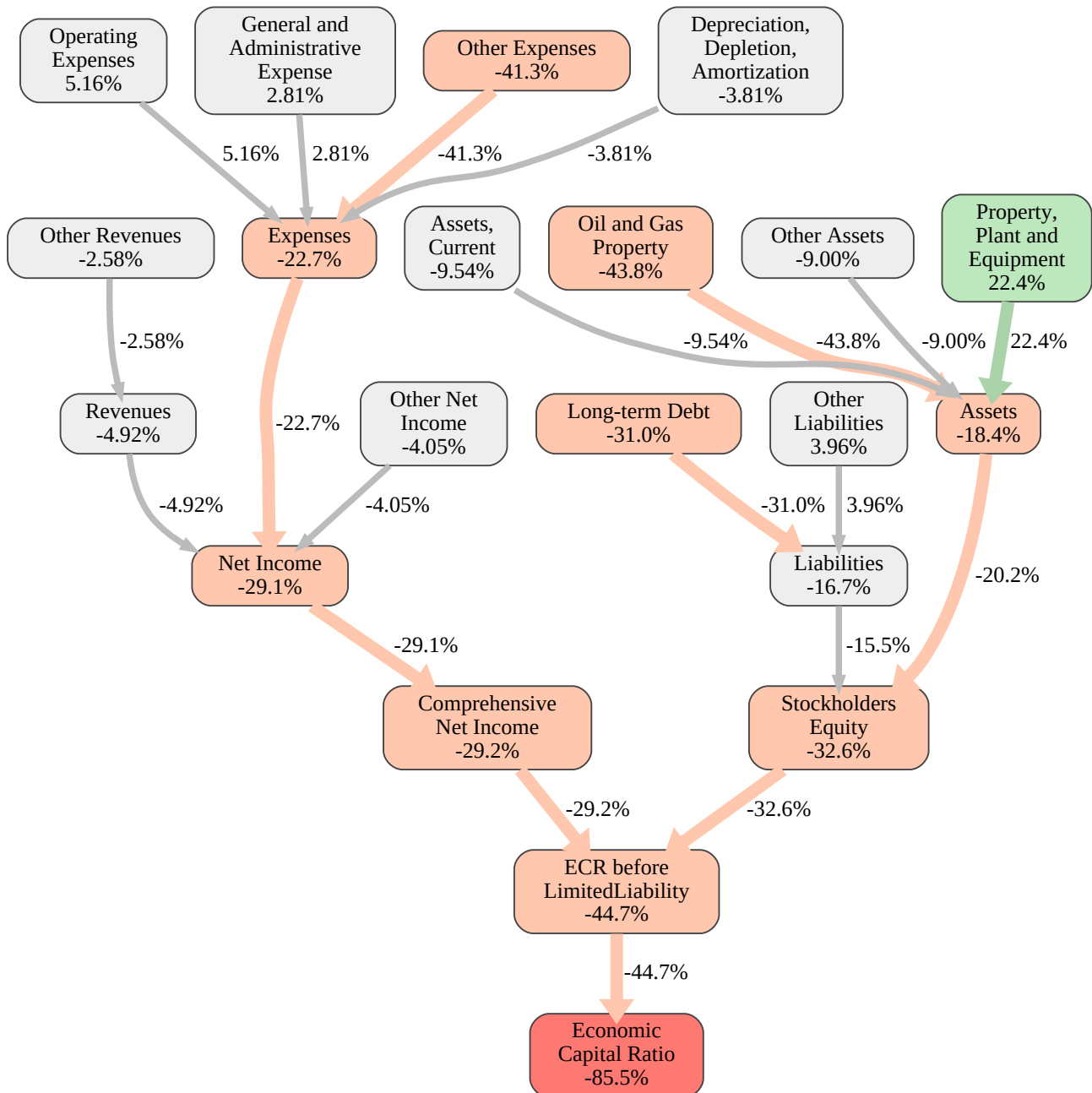




The relative strengths and weaknesses of Gastar Exploration INC are analyzed with respect to the market average, including all of its competitors. We analyzed all variables having an effect on the Economic Capital Ratio.

The greatest strength of Gastar Exploration INC compared to the market average is the variable Property, Plant and Equipment, increasing the Economic Capital Ratio by 22% points. The greatest weakness of Gastar Exploration INC is the variable Oil and Gas Property, reducing the Economic Capital Ratio by 44% points.

The company's Economic Capital Ratio, given in the ranking table, is 23%, being 85% points below the market average of 108%.

Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Assets, Current	27,337
Cost of Goods and Services Sold	0
Deferred Tax Liab., Net	0
Depreciation, Depletion, Amortization	25,424
Gains/Losses on Derivatives	-5,566
General and Administrative Expense	12,211
Liabilities, Current	57,512
Long-term Debt	104,716
Oil and Gas Property	0
Operating Expenses	0
Other Assets	6,480
Other Compr. Net Income	0
Other Expenses	163,834
Other Liabilities	1,304
Other Net Income	7.0
Other Revenues	55,506
Property, Plant and Equipment	256,251
Revenue from Contract with Customer	0
Taxes	2,269

Output Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Liabilities	163,532
Assets	290,068
Revenues	49,940
Expenses	203,738
Stockholders Equity	126,536
Net Income	-153,791
Comprehensive Net Income	-153,791
ECR before Limited Liability	2.5%
Economic Capital Ratio	23%