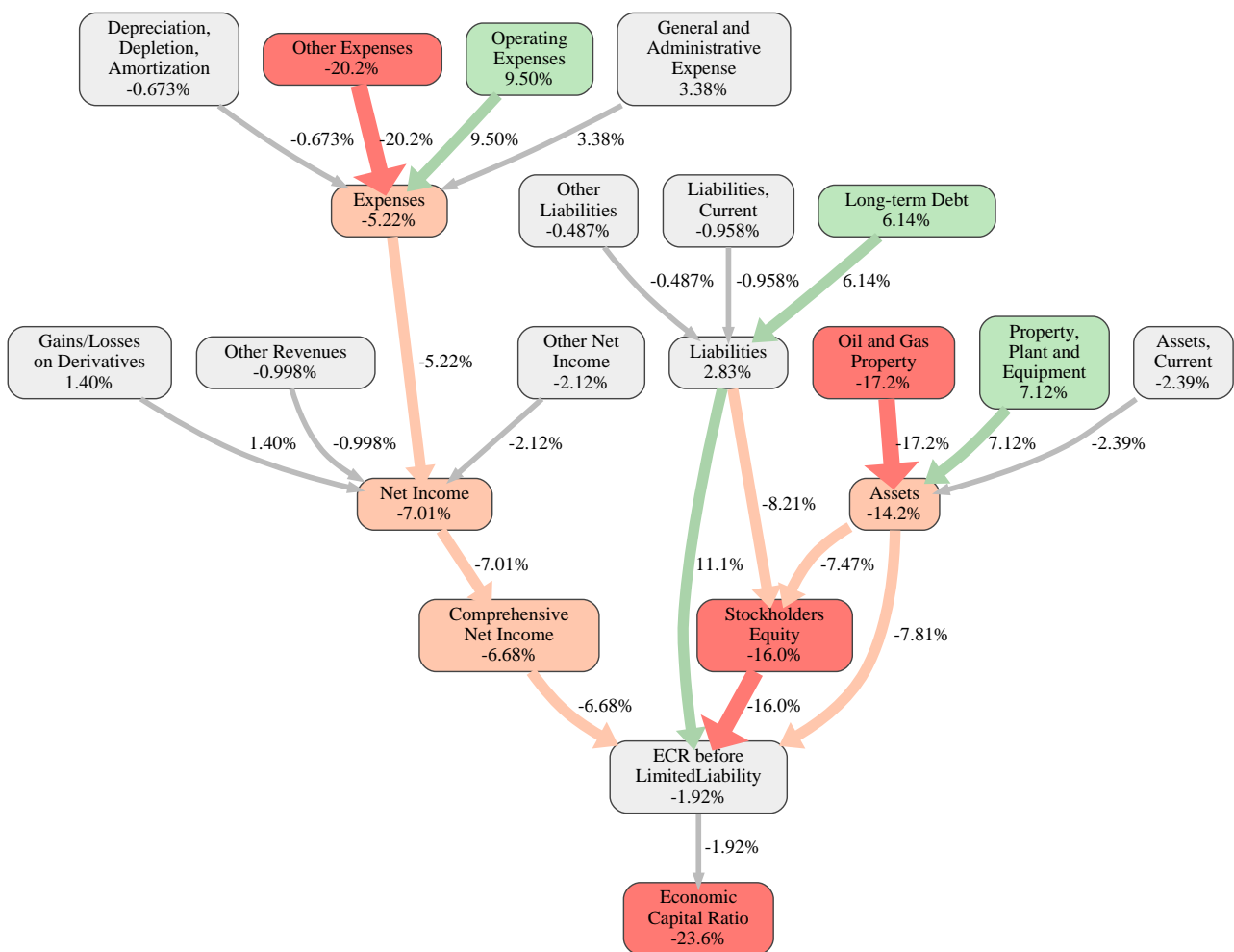




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The relative strengths and weaknesses of Gastar Exploration Inc are analyzed with respect to the market average, including all of its competitors. We analyzed all variables having an effect on the Economic Capital Ratio.

The greatest strength of Gastar Exploration Inc compared to the market average is the variable Operating Expenses, increasing the Economic Capital Ratio by 9.5% points. The greatest weakness of Gastar Exploration Inc is the variable Other Expenses, reducing the Economic Capital Ratio by 20% points.

The company's Economic Capital Ratio, given in the ranking table, is 22%, being 24% points below the market average of 46%.

Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Assets, Current	84,966
Cost of Goods and Services Sold	0
Deferred Tax Liab., Net	0
Depreciation, Depletion, Amortization	62,887
Gains/Losses on Derivatives	24,589
General and Administrative Expense	17,069
Liabilities, Current	23,968
Long-term Debt	524,297
Oil and Gas Property	0
Operating Expenses	0
Other Assets	16,968
Other Compr. Net Income	0
Other Expenses	483,981
Other Liabilities	2,788
Other Net Income	13
Other Revenues	82,705
Property, Plant and Equipment	328,934
Revenue from Contract with Customer	0
Taxes	2,877

Output Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Liabilities	551,053
Assets	430,868
Revenues	107,294
Expenses	566,814
Stockholders Equity	-120,185
Net Income	-459,507
Comprehensive Net Income	-459,507
BaseVar	908,916
ECR before LimitedLiability	-128%
Economic Capital Ratio	22%