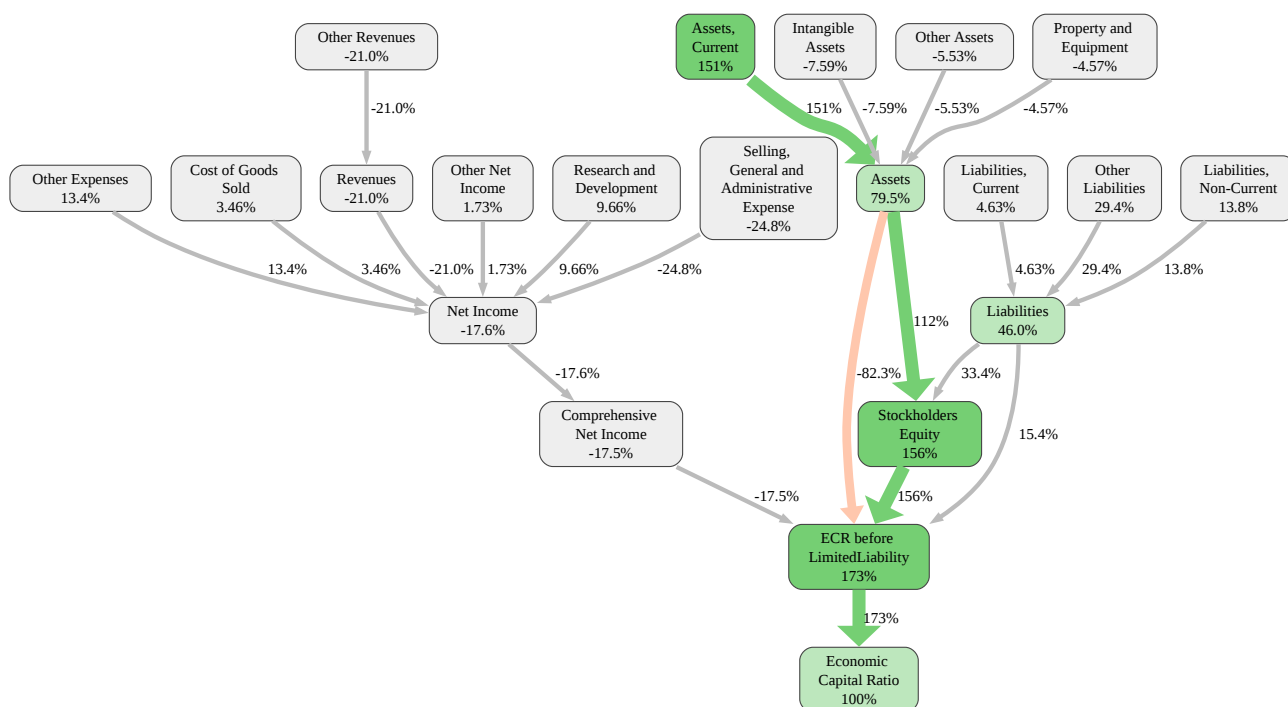




The relative strengths and weaknesses of Vivus INC are analyzed with respect to the market average, including all of its competitors. We analyzed all variables having an effect on the Economic Capital Ratio.

The greatest strength of Vivus INC compared to the market average is the variable Stockholders Equity, increasing the Economic Capital Ratio by 156% points. The greatest weakness of Vivus INC is the variable Selling, General and Administrative Expense, reducing the Economic Capital Ratio by 25% points.

The company's Economic Capital Ratio, given in the ranking table, is 320%, being 100% points above the market average of 220%.

Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Assets, Current	262,163
Cost of Goods Sold	0
Intangible Assets	0
Liabilities, Current	41,205
Liabilities, Non-Current	0
Other Assets	0
Other Compr. Net Income	0
Other Expenses	214
Other Liabilities	0
Other Net Income	51
Other Revenues	2,012
Property and Equipment	1,951
Research and Development	32,065
Selling, General and Administrative Expense	109,665

Output Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Assets	264,114
Liabilities	41,205
Expenses	141,944
Revenues	2,012
Stockholders Equity	222,909
Net Income	-139,881
Comprehensive Net Income	-139,881
BaseVar	224,663
ECR before Limited Liability	227%
Economic Capital Ratio	320%