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Company Information

Country: Colombia

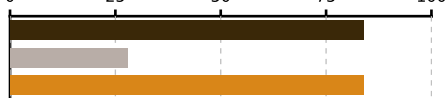
Index market cap*: 2,253

*USD millions

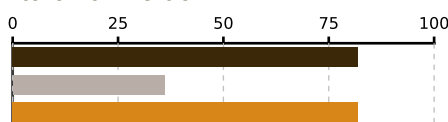
Source: S&P Global BMI, 31 July 2018

2018 Assessment Results

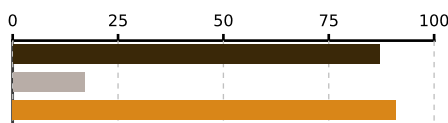
Total Scores



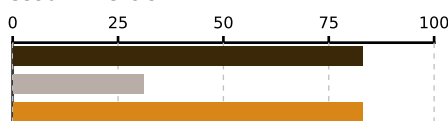
Economic Dimension



Environmental Dimension



Social Dimension



Legend: Industry best score (orange), Industry median score (grey), Grupo Argos SA/Colombia (dark brown)

Industry Overview	Maximum Score	Median Score
Total	84	28
Economic Dimension	82	36
Environmental Dimension	91	17
Social Dimension	83	31

DJSI World	Maximum Score	Median Score
Total	84	83
Economic Dimension	82	82
Environmental Dimension	91	87
Social Dimension	83	83

Grupo Argos SA/Colombia leads the Construction Materials industry in RobecoSAM’s Corporate Sustainability Assessment based on its Total Sustainability Score in 2018. This report provides a broad overview of the performance of the Construction Materials industry and the relative positioning of Grupo Argos SA/Colombia at the dimension and criteria level.

Industry Drivers

The construction materials industry includes companies that produce cement, aggregates, concrete, and related materials. As cement manufacturing accounts for about 5% of global man-made greenhouse gas emissions, a sound climate strategy to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions remains a top priority for companies. One of the most powerful ways to reduce GHG emissions in cement manufacturing is to convert waste materials into fossil fuel alternatives and other raw materials needed in industrial production. This not only solves a waste problem, but also reduces companies’ environmental impact. In addition to waste reduction, other important environmental issues include improving water usage and reducing harmful air emissions. For companies with extraction sites, protecting biodiversity and effective water management are key to maintaining both the social and legal licenses to operate. Both in product manufacturing and transportation, occupational health and safety are still a challenge for the industry. Companies that can deliver products that meet green building specifications and transform their business models to offer affordable housing and other sustainable construction solutions will have a competitive advantage.

Company Performance

RobecoSAM has selected the most relevant criteria in each sustainability dimension based on their weight in the assessment and their current or expected significance for the industry. The spider chart below visualizes the performance of the industry leader against the best score achieved in each criterion and the median industry score.



Legend: Industry best score (orange), Industry average score (grey), Grupo Argos SA/Colombia (dark brown)

Corporate Sustainability Assessment

The RobecoSAM Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA) is a comprehensive annual evaluation of companies' sustainability practices and performance. Every March, RobecoSAM extends invitations to over 3,500 of the largest, listed companies globally to participate in the assessment by completing an in-depth questionnaire. Assessment results are published in September, following the analysis of companies' submissions complemented by additional research performed by RobecoSAM.

RobecoSAM's CSA is one of the longest standing ESG rating methodologies worldwide, dating back to 1999. The CSA assesses companies on the basis of 80 – 120 industry-specific questions across 60 industries focusing on financially material economic, environmental, and social factors that are relevant to companies' success, but that are under-researched in conventional financial analysis. Every year, the CSA undergoes rigorous methodological review in order to ensure that the most current material sustainability topics, as well as emerging, long-term sustainability themes often of interest to investors are reflected, and companies are challenged on topics that lack disclosure today.

The results of the CSA are used for the annual rebalancing of the iconic Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) and are made available to investors, researchers, and non-governmental organizations through the Bloomberg Professional platform. The results of the CSA are also used for the creation of the RobecoSAM Sustainability Yearbook, one of the most comprehensive annual publications on corporate sustainability.

Additional Resources

For more information on the CSA and a complete list of all Dow Jones Sustainability Indices constituents visit www.robecosam.com/CSA

Assessed companies can access their own results and benchmark themselves against their peers directly through the online assessment portal.

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