Nestle SA

FOA Food Products



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Company Information	
Country	Switzerland
Market cap (USD million)*	256,339
	*Source: S&P Global BMI, 31 July 2016

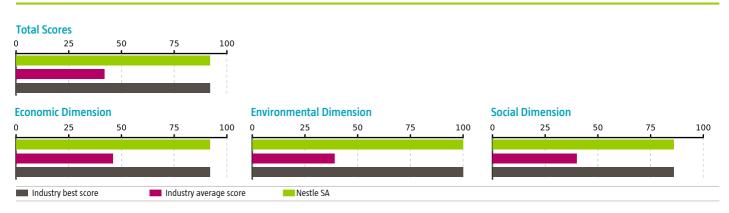
Company Description

Founded 150 years ago, Nestle SA employs 335,000 people worldwide and sells products in 189 countries. The company's product line includes milk, chocolate, confectionery, bottled water, coffee, creamer, food seasoning and pet foods. Although 2015 was volatile, Nestle still reached group sales of CHF 88.8 billion. In order to remain a leader in the Nutrition, Health and Wellness industry, Nestle has placed great importance on conducting industry-leading research and development, which drives innovation and supports the constant renovation of their food and beverage portfolio. This research is also being used to explore the ways that Nestle can help people improve their health. Nestle has more than 2000 brands in its portfolio, many of which are globally recognized, while others are tailored for local flavours and preferences. This marriage of local and global success can be attributed to the company's strategy of consumer engagement, innovation and popularly positioned products. As a result, Nestle is one of the world's most recognizable companies.

Industry Drivers

Growth in the food industry will be driven by growing consumption in the emerging markets, product innovation focusing on health and wellness and rising demand for convenience and functional food in the developed world. Health, wellness and nutrition have emerged as major growth categories and will remain in the spotlight for food manufacturers as a growing number of consumers become aware of the relationship between diet and health. The industry's main risks and challenges include rising raw material prices and new packaging solutions, which are both effective and environmentally friendly. Better management and increased transparency of supply chains can help reduce costs and ensure food safety-a key concern for consumers.

Sustainability Scores





Sustainability Performance

As a leading global nutrition, health and wellness company, Nestle is committed to ensuring that its products and processes are as environmentally and socially friendly as possible. The company therefore takes a life-cycle assessment approach to sustainability. This approach encompasses every stage of the products' life-cycle, including the 760,000 farmers supplying directly to Nestle. With such a large supplier base, Nestle considers respect for human rights to be an integral aspect of creating shared value. As a result, it has trained 11,242 employees on human rights. Over the past five years, the company has integrated 11 human rights issues into its life-cycle approach. Nestle's first-class human rights due diligence program demonstrates the outstanding steps the company has taken to embed human rights measures into suppliers' management policies. Alongside these human rights commitments, Nestle continues to be an industry leader in health and nutrition. The company responds to social issues, such as nutritional needs, with industry-leading research and development that inform numerous aspects from product design decisions to the use of voluntary labelling schemes.

Company Performance for Selected Criteria



Industry best score Industry average score Nestle SA

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