

WOOLWORTHS HOLDINGS LIMITED 2021 External Recognition

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In general, the WHL Group (the Group) is rated highly among its local and global peers in the indices, ratings, and assessments in which it is included. This year, the Group's Good Business Journey management, performance, and reporting received the following recognition:

INDEX, RATING OR ASSESSMENT

FTSE/JSE RESPONSIBLE **INVESTMENT INDEX AND TOP 30 INDEX 2020/2021**

The FTSE/JSE Responsible Investment Index assesses the environmental, social, and governance (ESG) performance of all companies with a full listing on the main board of the JSE. The Index comprises eligible companies which achieve the required minimum FTSE Russell ESG rating.

The FTSE/JSE Responsible Investment Top 30 Index comprises the 30 top-scoring companies included in the FTSE/JSE Responsible Investment Index.

FTSE4GOOD EMERGING INDEX SERIES 2020/2021 💽



EXTERNAL RECOGNITION

WOOLWORTHS HOLDINGS LIMITED

DESCRIPTION PERFORMANCE

Woolworths Holdings Limited (WHL) was included in the FTSE/JSE Responsible Investment Index and Top 30 Index for 2020/2021.

The FTSE4Good Emerging Index Series comprises companies achieving an overall ESG rating of 2.9 or more out of 5 when the FTSE4Good criteria is applied to the companies included in the FTSE Emerging Index. The FTSE Emerging Index includes companies from more than 20 emerging countries, including South Africa.

WHL was included in the FTSE4Good Emerging Index Series for 2020/2021, with an ESG rating of



(2019: 4.5)

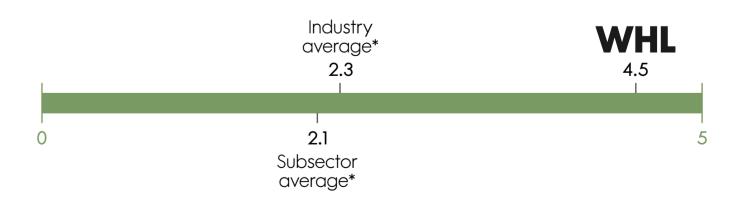


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INDUSTRY BENCHMARKING

WHL IS ONE OF ONLY FOUR JSE-LISTED RETAILERS ON THE FTSE/JSE RESPONSIBLE **INVESTMENT TOP 30 INDEX** FOR 2020/2021.

FTSE4GOOD ESG RATING:



* Assessed companies are broken down into 11 industries and 173 subsectors. WHL is included in the Consumer Services industry and the Broadline Retailer subsector.

INDEX, RATING OR ASSESSMENT

CDP CLIMATE 2020

CDP WATER 2020

CDP FORESTS 2020: TIMBER

CDP FORESTS 2020: PALM OIL

CDP FORESTS 2020: CATTLE PRODUCTS

CDP FORESTS 2020: SOYA



The CDP assesses companies' reporting of their environmental impacts with regards to water, climate change, and deforestation, including the governance and risk management thereof. Submission to the CDP is on a voluntary basis. The assessment is based on companies' responses to a set questionnaire developed by the CDP, and companies are ranked from A (best) to D- (worst).

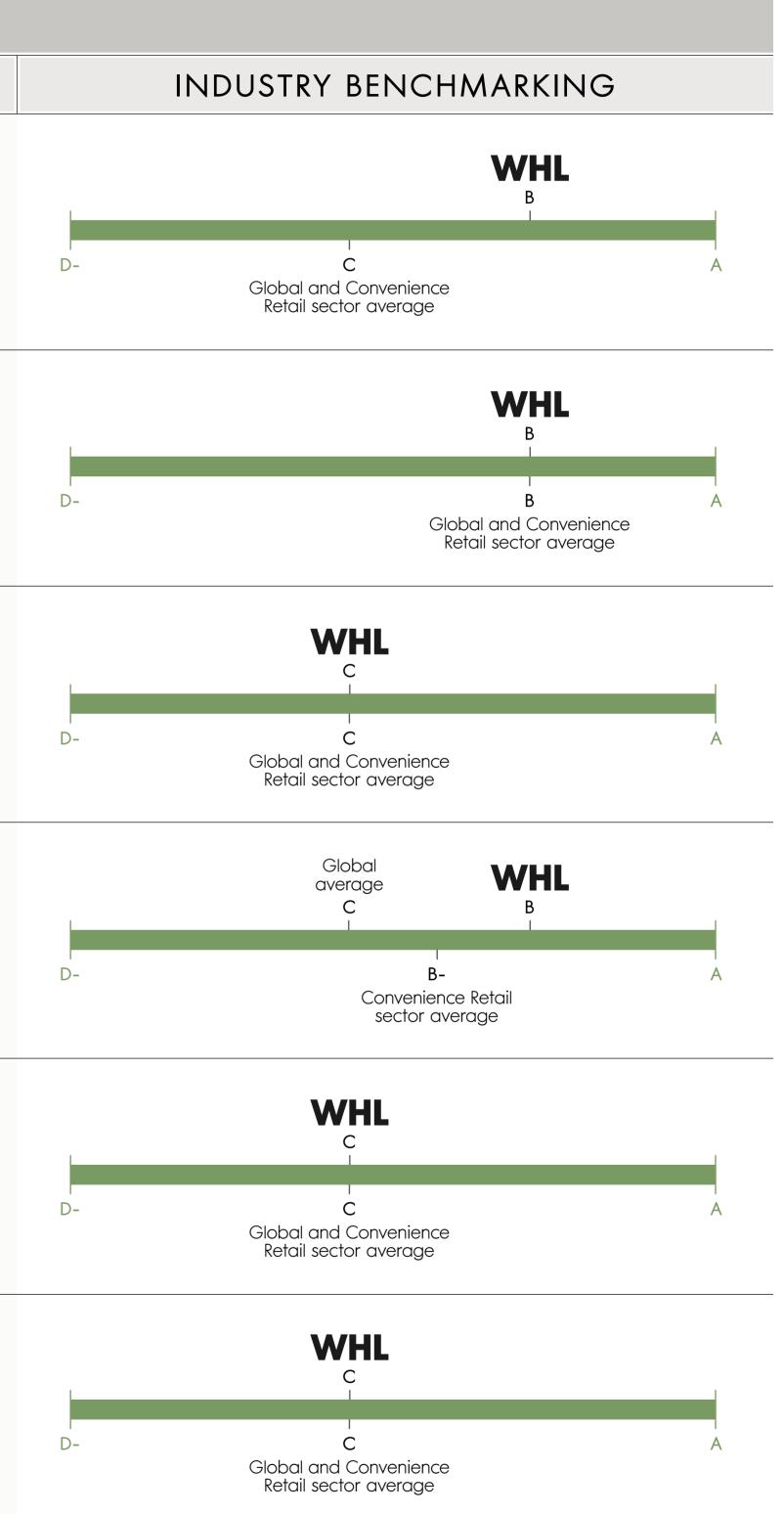
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MSCI ESG RATING 2021

MSCI ESG RATINGS MSCI ESG Ratings aim to measure a company's resilience to long-term ESG risks. Companies are scored on an industry-relative scale from CCC (laggard) to AAA (leader) across the most relevant key issues, based on a company's business model.

FASHION TRANSPARENCY INDEX 2021

FASHION REVOLUTION The Fashion Transparency Index ranks 250 of the world's largest fashion brands and retailers according to how much they disclose about their social and environmental policies, practices, and impact. Scores are calculated from 0% (worst) to 100% (best).

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WHL's 2021 rating:



(2020: AA)

WOOLWORTHS SOUTH AFRICA

WSA 2021 score:



(2020: 19%)

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WHEN COMPARED TO INDUSTRY PEERS IN THE MSCI'S UNIVERSE OF RETAIL-CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY COMPANIES ASSESSED (88 COMPANIES), WHL IS INCLUDED IN THE TOP 15%.



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WSA SCORED ABOVE THE OVERALL AVERAGE, AND ALSO ACHIEVED THE HIGHEST OVERALL SCORE OF ANY SOUTH AFRICAN FASHION RETAILER.

However, WSA performed poorly relative to our global peers, with the assessment indicating that more work is required, particularly in our approach to transparency.



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BAPTIST WORLD AID ETHICAL FASHION REPORT 2020



Baptist World Aid (BWA) is a Christian aid and development organisation that partners with Australian Christians to end poverty.

In 2020, BWA conducted a special assessment related to Covid-19, covering 96 companies (428 brands). The purpose thereof was to highlight what steps companies are taking to protect and support the most vulnerable workers in their supply chains during the pandemic.

Brands were assessed across **six commitments ()** and were ranked on the following scale: provided evidence of actions for all commitments, evidence of actions for some commitments, and no evidence of actions taken related to the commitments.

OXFAM COMPANY TRACKER ON LIVING WAGE



Oxfam Australia reviewed 23 brands on their progress towards enabling a living wage in the supply chain. Brands were assessed against five pillars:

MAKE A COMMITMENT

SEPARATE LABOUR COSTS

PUBLISH PLANS

PAY A LIVING WAGE

COUNTRY ROAD GROUP AND DAVID JONES

PERFORMANCE

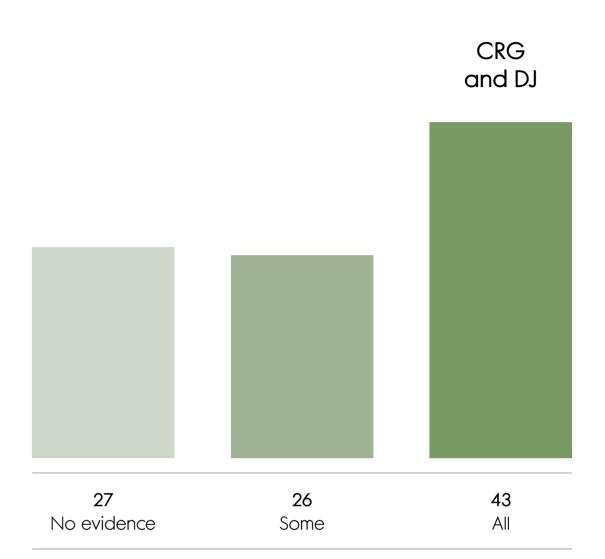
COUNTRY ROAD GROUP (CRG) AND DAVID JONES (DJ) 2020 **RATING: PROVIDED EVIDENCE OF ACTIONS** FOR ALL COMMITMENTS*

*See rollover to the left

BE TRANSPARENT

COUNTRY ROAD GROUP (CRG) AND DAVID JONES (DJ) WERE ASSESSED AS HAVING TAKEN **ACTION AGAINST THE FIRST TWO** PILLARS – BE TRANSPARENT AND MAKE A COMMITMENT.

INDUSTRY BENCHMARKING



Number of companies in each grading

NUMBER OF COMPANIES ASSESSED AS TAKING ACTION AGAINST THE PILLARS:

Be transparent	14 (INCL. CRG & DJ)
Make a commitment	13 (INCL. CRG & DJ)
Separate labour costs	3
Publish plans	0
Pay a living wage	0

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We appreciate any feedback on our Good Business Journey Report. Please contact <u>GoodBusinessJourney@woolworths.co.za</u>