

Sustainability in Commercial Real Estate

ESG tools available for the Real Estate industry through the MI platform



REIT investors and industry stakeholders are becoming increasingly focused on sustainability and the factors that drive the environmental, social, and governance performance within the due diligence process.

As part of the decision making process, it is important to be equipped with tools to help you evaluate the environmental footprint of income-producing properties, REIT portfolios, and the property markets where these assets are located.

Because the value of a REIT is underpinned by the value of its portfolio, the emphasis on the energy efficiency of a property is a way to gauge green-funded initiatives and investment in the future.

Learn More About:

- Green Property Certifications Data
- Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB)

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Green Property Certifications Data from LEED®* and ENERGY STAR**

Third party vendors, LEED® and ENERGY STAR, provide specific ESG information for the real estate industry that is linked to North American properties covered by S&P Global Market Intelligence.

With this data, you can:

- Identify environmentally friendly and green assets
- Assess M&A transactions with a green lens
- Access more information for deep analysis on property characteristics for research projects
- Factor in green-rating in lease evaluation on current and prospective properties

Summary by Market

The screenshot shows the S&P Global Market Intelligence interface. The top navigation bar includes tabs for Apps, News, Dashboard, Research, Maps, Screener, Properties, Industries, Markets & Deals, and Popular Templates. The left sidebar has a menu with 'Green Property Summary' highlighted. The main content area displays the 'Green Property Certification Summary by Market' report. The report includes filters for Property Type, Green Certification Source, and Date Range. A dropdown menu for 'View By' is open, showing options like State/Province, Country, City, MSA, and State/Province.

By Corporate Level and Property Level

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Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB)

GRESB assessments capture information on ESG performance and sustainability best practices for real estate companies, funds, and assets worldwide.

Real Estate Assessment

An annual ESG assessment process is undertaken by property companies, real estate investment trusts (REITs), funds, and developers. ESG performance is evaluated against 7 sustainability aspects with ~50 indicators (e.g., energy consumption, GHG emissions, water consumption and waste).

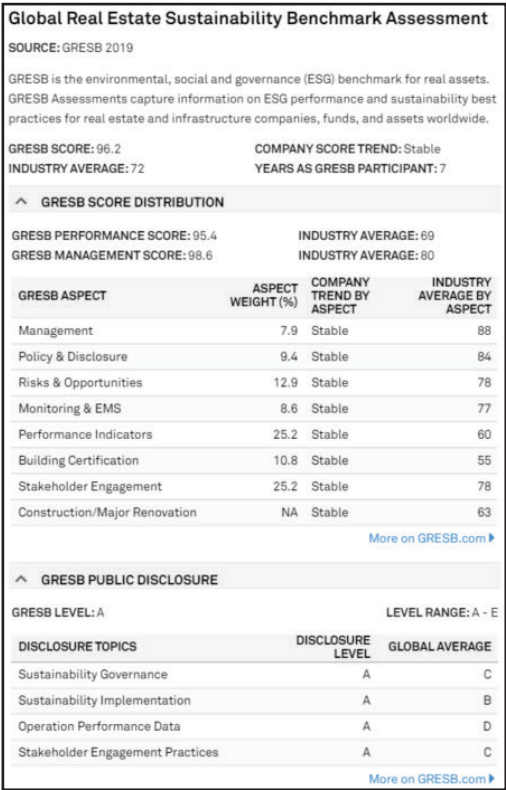
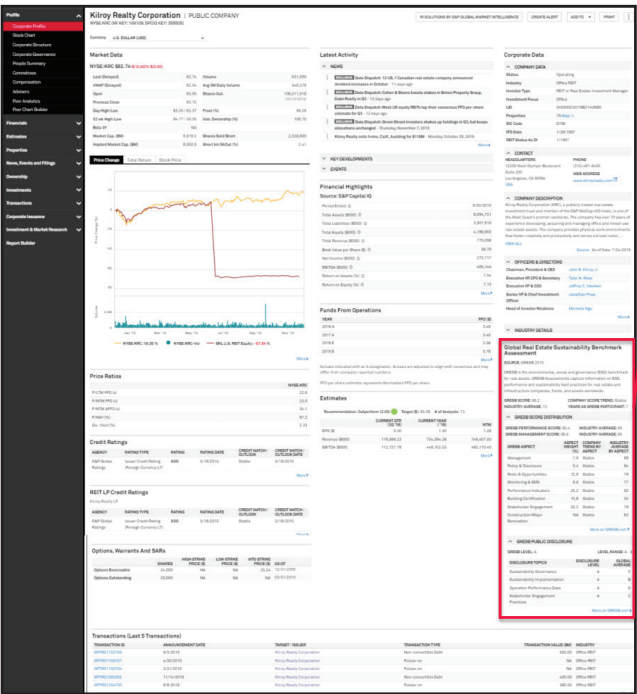
Public Disclosure

GRESB measures REITs and property companies' level of transparency around ESG performance. This evaluation is based on 22 indicators aligned with the GRESB Real Estate Assessment, consisting of four aspects - Governance of Sustainability, Implementation, Operational Performance and Stakeholder Engagement.

Available on the Market Intelligence platform

Data from GRESB is displayed for companies with ISINs matching those stored in the MI database:

- 632 entities with GRESB Public Disclosure levels
- 196 entities with GRESB Scores
- 20 entities under GRESB's Grace Period



About S&P Global Market Intelligence

S&P Global Market Intelligence integrates financial and industry data, research, and news into tools that help track performance, generate alpha, identify investment ideas, understand competitive and industry dynamics, perform valuation, and assess risk.

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