

FORESTS 2023: SCORING METHODOLOGY CATEGORY WEIGHTINGS

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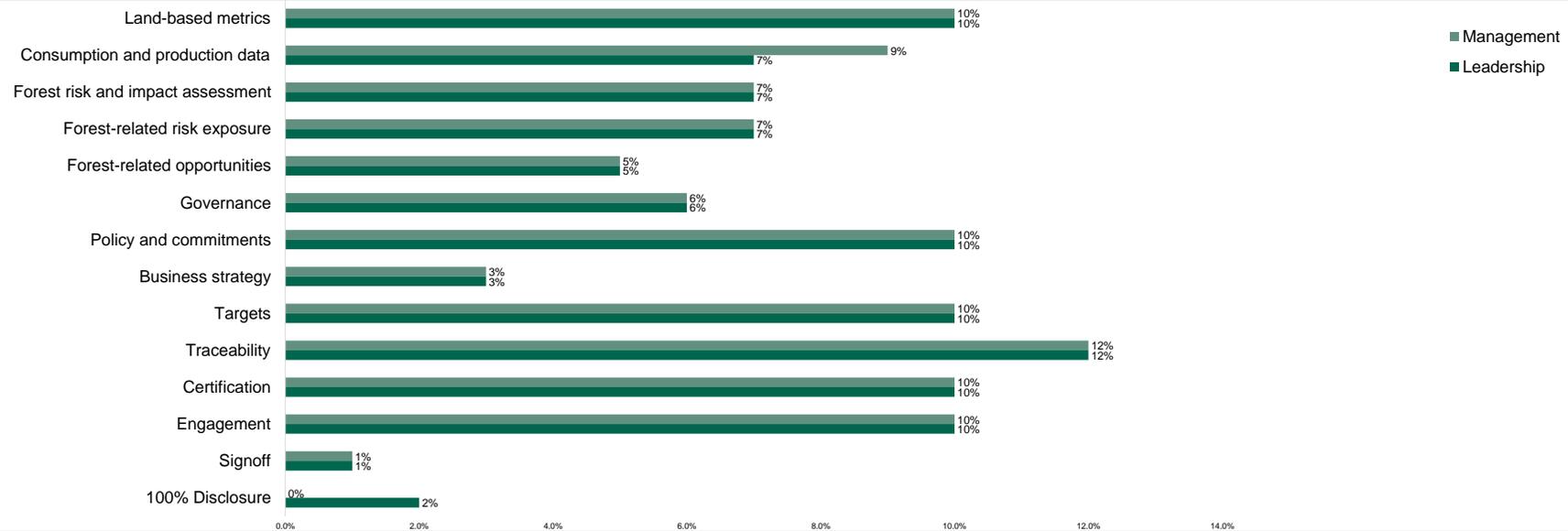
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2023 Scoring categories

To be in line with a 1.5 degree Celsius pathway, global deforestation needs to end by 2030 and substantial restoration needs to take place. Changes to CDP's Forests questionnaire in 2023 reflect the need to put more emphasis on monitoring and implementation-based actions. The weighting of the 'Consumption and production data' category has increased with the addition of new data points on the monitoring of deforestation and conversion-free volumes, and to emphasize the importance of transparent disclosure on forest risk commodity volumes. The weightings of the 'Policies and commitments' and 'Certification' categories have been adjusted to mirror the weightings of other implementation-based categories.

Scoring categories and weightings: Forests Methodology



The bar chart above shows the % weighting applied to each of the scoring categories at Management and Leadership levels for the Forests 2023 scoring methodology

Forests - Full tier scoring categories: Mapped to modules and questions

Module	Scoring Category	Question Number	Disclosure	Awareness	Management	Leadership	
Introduction	100% Disclosure	F0.1	X	X	X	✓	
		F0.2	X	X	X	X	
	Not scored	F0.3	X	X	X	X	
		F0.4	✓	X	X	X	
	100% Disclosure	F0.5	X	X	X	X	
		F0.6	X	X	X	X	
	Not scored	F0.7	✓	X	X	✓	
		F0.7a	✓	✓	X	✓	
100% Disclosure	F0.8	X	X	X	X		
Current State	Land-based metrics	F1.1	✓	✓	✓	X	
		F1.2	✓	✓	X	X	
		F1.3	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F1.4	✓	✓	✓	X	
	Consumption and production data	F1.5	✓	✓	✓	X	
		F1.5a	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F1.5b	✓	✓	X	X	
		F1.5c	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F1.5d	✓	✓	✓	X	
		F1.5e	✓	✓	✓	X	
	Forest risk and impact assessment	F1.5f	✓	X	X	X	
		F1.6	✓	X	X	X	
	Land-based metrics	F1.6a	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F1.7	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Procedures	Forest risk and impact assessment	F2.1	✓	✓	X	X
			F2.1a	✓	✓	✓	✓
F2.1b			✓	✓	✓	✓	
F2.2			✓	✓	X	X	
F2.2a			✓	✓	✓	✓	
F2.3	✓	✓	X	X			
Risks and opportunities	Forest-related risk exposure	F3.1	✓	X	X	X	
		F3.1a	✓	X	✓	X	
		F3.1b	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Forest-related opportunities	F3.1c	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F3.2	✓	✓	X	X	
		F3.2a	✓	✓	✓	✓	
F3.2b	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Governance	Governance	F4.1	✓	✓	X	X	
		F4.1a	✓	✓	✓	X	
		F4.1b	✓	✓	✓	X	
		F4.1c	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F4.1d	✓	✓	✓	X	
		F4.2	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F4.3	✓	✓	✓	X	
	Policy and commitments	F4.3a	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F4.4	✓	✓	X	X	
		F4.5	✓	✓	✓	X	
		F4.5a	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F4.6	✓	✓	X	X	
		F4.6a	✓	X	✓	X	
		F4.6b	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Business strategy	Business strategy	F5.1	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Implementation	Targets	F6.1	✓	✓	X	X	
		F6.1a	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F6.1b	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Traceability	F6.2	✓	✓	✓	X	
		F6.2a	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F6.2b	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Certification	F6.3	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F6.3a	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Land-based metrics	F6.4	✓	✓	X	X	
		F6.4a	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F6.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F6.6	✓	✓	✓	X	
		F6.6a	✓	X	✓	✓	
	Engagement	F6.7	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F6.8	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F6.9	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F6.10	✓	✓	X	X	
		F6.10a	✓	✓	X	X	
		F6.10b	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F6.10c	✓	X	X	X	
Land-based metrics	F6.11	✓	✓	✓	✓		
	F6.12	✓	✓	X	X		
Verification	100% Disclosure	F6.12a	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		F7.1	✓	✓	X	X	
Barriers and challenges	100% Disclosure	F7.1a	✓	X	X	X	
		F8.1	✓	✓	X	X	
Sign off	Sign Off	F8.2	✓	✓	X	X	
		F17.1	✓	X	✓	✓	

Category mapping key	
✓	Question scored at this level
X	Question not scored at this level

FORESTS 2023: MINIMUM TIER SCORING METHODOLOGY CATEGORY WEIGHTINGS

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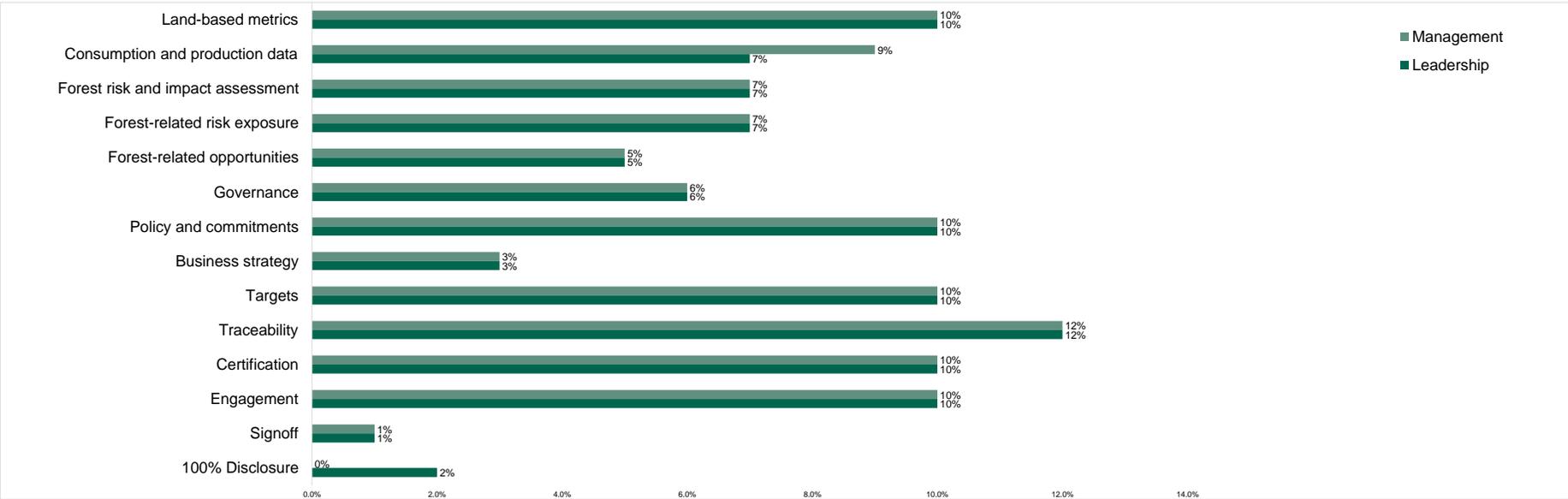
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2022 Scoring categories

The 14 scoring categories for the Forests - Minimum Tier methodology in 2023 are: Land-based metrics, Consumption and production data, Forest risk and impact assessment, Forest-related risk exposure, Forest-related opportunities, Governance, Policy and commitments, Business strategy, Targets, Traceability, Certification, Engagement, Signoff, and 100% Disclosure. Please note that the same categories and weightings are applied for both the Full Tier and Minimum Tier Forests questionnaires in 2023.

Scoring categories and weightings: Forests Methodology



The bar chart above shows the % weighting applied to each of the scoring categories at Management and Leadership levels for the Forests 2023 Minimum Tier scoring methodology

Forests - Minimum tier scoring categories: Mapped to modules and questions

Module	Scoring Category	Question Number	Disclosure	Awareness	Management	Leadership
Introduction	100% Disclosure	F0.1	X	X	X	✓
	Not scored	F0.2	X	X	X	X
		F0.3	X	X	X	X
		F0.4	✓	X	X	X
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		F1.5c	✓	✓	✓	✓
		F1.5d	✓	✓	✓	X
		F1.5e	✓	✓	✓	X
F1.5f	✓	X	X	X		
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		F2.1b	✓	✓	✓	✓
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		F3.1c	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Forest-related opportunities	F3.2	✓	✓	X	X
		F3.2a	✓	✓	✓	✓
		F3.2b	✓	✓	✓	✓
Governance	Governance	F4.1	✓	✓	X	X
		F4.2	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Policy and commitments	F4.5	✓	✓	✓	X
		F4.5a	✓	✓	✓	✓
		F4.6	✓	✓	X	X
		F4.6b	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Implementation	Targets	F6.1	✓	✓	X	X
		F6.1a	✓	✓	✓	✓
		F6.1b	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Traceability	F6.2	✓	✓	✓	X
		F6.2a	✓	✓	✓	✓
		F6.2b	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Certification	F6.3	✓	✓	✓	✓
		F6.3a	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Land-based metrics	F6.5	✓	✓	✓	✓
		F6.8	✓	✓	✓	✓
Engagement	F6.11	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	F6.11	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Barriers and challenges	100% Disclosure	F8.1	✓	✓	X	X
		F8.2	✓	✓	X	X
Sign off	Sign Off	F17.1	✓	X	✓	✓

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