
What You Need to Know

The ISSB develops standards designed to meet investor information needs and to enable companies around the world to communicate decision useful information efficiently to global capital markets.

We've heard from investors that they need **both cross-industry and industry-specific disclosures** because some information is needed for comparison across all industries and regardless of business model – such as governance of climate risk – while other information is needed on an industry basis to be decision useful.

Where are we today?

- S1 provides the basis for achieving a truly global baseline of sustainability disclosure that meets investor needs. You can think of it as an outline: the overarching standard that applies to all sustainability-related risks and opportunities but does not specify what those risks and opportunities are.
- When S1 is used in combination with S2 and other materials including the SASB Standards, companies can provide investors with the information they need about sustainability-related risks and opportunities.
- S2 provides the details for how to meet investor needs for climate disclosures. It is based on the TCFD Recommendations with industry-specific climate metrics based on the SASB Standards.
- To help companies identify their sustainability-related risks and opportunities and provide appropriate disclosures using S1, companies are required to consider the industry-based SASB Standards for topics beyond climate.

Where will we be in the future?

- We are focused on advancing global adoption and use of S1 and S2.
- We don't know what standards will follow, but we are committed to sustainability disclosures that include an industry view.
- We are maintaining and enhancing the SASB Standards.
- We are confident the SASB Standards will continue to be supported on a standalone basis by the ISSB for at least 4 years and realistically probably longer, with ISSB Standards that build on the SASB industry-based standards to follow. The ISSB actively encourages preparers and investors to continue to provide full support for and to use the SASB Standards.
- Because we are responsible for the SASB Standards, with any future transition, we will ensure a timeline and orderly process that supports those preparers and investors who use the SASB Standards.

We believe companies reporting with SASB Standards are best prepared to (a) use S1, and (b) report with future ISSB industry specific standards. Therefore, it is a **competitive advantage** for companies to start using or continue to use SASB Standards