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Synonyms

- Sustainability
 - United Nations 1987 definition
 - UN Global Compact
- Corporate sustainability
- Sustainability reporting
- CSR (corporate social responsibility)
- ESG (environmental, social, and governance)
- Triple bottom line
- Societal impact
- socially responsible investing (SRI)
- Sustainability disclosure, non-financial reporting
- Climate

Also see article on "the state of U.S. sustainability reporting" (2021); naming conventions.

What is ESG? What do our users mean when they ask for "ESG data"?

- Students vs. researchers vs. entrepreneurs
- Disciplines: Business vs. social scientists vs. sciences
- Kaleidoscope of frameworks and reporting standards

See Michael Deike's presentation, <u>Supporting ESG Research Questions: The Current ESG Data Climate</u> (11/10/2022).

How do we help to find or locate the appropriate ESG data for our users?

Three options when it comes to data: (1) Buy, (2) Build, (3) Blend.

Consider

- Breadth (aspects of E, S, & G) vs. depth (e.g. historical coverage, how 'materiality' is defined
- Methodology
- Self-disclosure vs. inferred / estimates
- Raw or traditional data vs. smart data
- Who are defined as peer groups when doing comparison across industries

Major ESG ratings providers used in academic research

(alphabetical order)

- Bloomberg ESG Disclosures Scores
- CDP Climate, Water and Forest Scores
- CSRHub
- ESG Book (fka Arabesque S-Ray GmbH)
- Factset Truvalue ESG data
- FTSE Russell's Sustainability & ESG via Mergent Online
- ISS (Institutional Shareholder Services) Ratings and Rankings
- Moody's ESG Solutions Group
- MSCI ESG Ratings (acquired GMI Ratings in 2014, & Carbon Delta in 2019)
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Overview & comparison of major ESG data sources used in academic research

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Price / year	\$-\$\$\$	\$-\$\$	\$\$\$?	\$\$\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$\$\$?	\$\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$\$\$?	?	?	?
History / Continuity	2007– "15+ years"	2002– "19 annual cycles"	2008- "12 years"	2003-	2007–	2018–	?	"Depends"	1999-	mid 2000s-	2002-1	<u>Jan 2007</u> –	2013-	Large-cap: 2005– Small & mid-cap: 2016–	Sep 2018–

Point in time history back to:

Category and summary scores since 2017

Pillar scores since 2021

Data points since 2008

Indicators since 2013

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Coverage: companies with 'full' ratings	14.000+	<u>18.000</u> +	20.000	<u>25.000</u> +	230.000+ ²	7.200 ³	<u>7.500</u>	5.000+ ⁴	8.500	"50.000+ LPs and GPs"	12.000+	215,000+5	8.000-11.300+	<u>15.000+</u>	<u>16.000</u> +
Coverage: companies	474,000+ securities		150.000 companies 10.000 private companies, government agencies, & NFPs	6		Green	12.000 issuers ⁷	140+ million	14.000 issuers ⁸	147.000+ private companies		93% are non-listed companies.	340.000+ securities	Environmental Data Fossil Fuels & Energy Data	"public and private companies, fixed-income issuers and listed Chinese companies"

² companies are constituents of major indices (e.g. S&P 500, Russell 1000, Russell 3000, & MSCI Emerging Markets and World)

³ 7,200 securities for their operational ESG risk exposure product; their "Managing Green Revenue exposure" covers 16,000+ companies. See https://www.fiserussell.com/data/sustainability-and-esc-data.

⁴ For ESG Scores & Assessments: 6,000+ large cap-companies (analyst driven); ~1,000 US companies.

⁵ As of July 2022. Of these 215,000 companies, approx. 5% are listed companies and approx. 93% are non-listed companies. The companies in RepRisk's dataset stem from all sectors and countries. The geographical site is as follows: approx. 24% of the companies are headquartered in North America, 33% in Asia, 26% in Europe, 9% in Latin America and the Caribbean, 5% in Africa, and 3% in Oceania. The RepRisk's dataset also includes risk profiles on more than 60,000 projects (e.g., mines, pipelines, chemical plants, ports, factories, pulp mills, plantations, etc.), as well as for all sectors and countries in the world. In addition, the RepRisk ESG Risk Platform provides information on other entities such as NGOs (more than 25,000) and governmental bodies (more than 19,000). Source: https://www.reprisk.com/news-research/resources/methodology

⁶ ESG Book "only cover publicly listed corporates but the coverage will increase to include SMEs and private companies."

⁷ full coverage of major stock indices of developed and emerging markets, coverage of small and mid-cap indices in developed markets, & important non-listed bond issuers

⁸ including subsidiaries and 680,000+ equity and fixed income securities globally.

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Coverage: Funds	×	×	×	✓ 9	×	×	10	1 11	12	13	14	×	×	×	×
Coverage: Director, Officer	15	×	×	×	×	×	✓ 16	×	✓ 17	×	18	×	19	×	×
Coverage: Region-level	100 +	1,100+ ²⁰	×	×	×	×	21	✓ ²²	×	×	×	V	×		✓ ²³ 172
Update frequency			Monthly	Daily but mostly driven by disclosure periods				Annually (full review in every 3 years)			Weekly; with daily values	Daily; with daily, weekly, & monthly values			Annual; daily & weekly values

https://www.marketolace.spglobal.com/en/solutions/market-intelligence-esg-insight-(6c41f39d-f7b6-4a75-9b17-35d9caa11fc9)

²⁰ CDP has 1,224 cities, states and region reporting through their portal, going back to 2011. See https://data.cdp.net.

²⁸ See their Country Risk Ratings: https://connect.sustainalytics.com/hubfs/INV%20-%20Reports%20and%20Brochure/Product%20Brochures/Country%20Risk%20Rating.pdf

⁹ See their ESG Analytics covers mutual funds and ETFs (Funds Scoring).

10 See ISS ESG Fund Rating: https://www.issgovernance.com/file/products/brochure-esg-fund-rating.pdf

¹¹ for 'enterprises' defined as 'non-financial corporations and project financings, including utilities, corporate infrastructure and REITs, as well as public sector issuers that have business-like revenue-raising capacity through the implementation of fees for service, such as municipal utilities, airports, toll roads, ports, mass transit enterprises, hospitals, housing agencies and higher education institutions."

¹² See MSCI ESG Fund Ratings: ~53,000 multi-asset class Mutual Funds and ETFs globally.

¹³ 16,000+ LPs, 39,000+ GPs, 203,000+ companies.

¹⁴ See Refinitiv Lipper Fund ESG Scores: 335,000+ funds.

¹⁵ Use <MGMT>.

¹⁶ See ISS Solutions for Academic Professionals: https://www.issgovernance.com/file/products/sheet-iss-solutions-for-academics.pdf

 ^{17 100,000} director profiles, 20 years of shareholder meeting results.
 18 1.8 million officers & directors, 18+ years of history available.

¹⁹ See their Market Intelligence ESG Insight (separate subscription):

²¹ See their ESG Country Rating.

²² Sovereigns, and Regional & Local Governments. Moody's Climate Solutions goes to zip code level.

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Methodology	?	V	V	<u> </u>	?	?	24	✓	<u> </u>	V	V	V	~	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Data Dictionary & Sample			Data Schema, Sample Profile						×	Fund Profile (2020), LP Profile (2020)			Data Schema	Data Schema	Sample Report
Delivery	?	Excel	?	CSV, API	?	?	FTP, ISS DataDesk (upon request)	FTP, API, Moody's Datahub, Orbis, DataLab, new MESG platform	?	?	CSV, JSON, Python, SQL	Datafeed: <u>FTP.</u> <u>API</u>	?	?	?
Available via WRDS	×	×	×	×	×	×	V	×	200 x-2018	×	V	V	V	V	V
Identifiers	?	?	ISIN; Uses a "naming sheet" (Excel template dashboard) that will lookup company names & ticker to match with their database.	Ticker, FIGI, ISIN, SEDOL, FactSetID	?	?	Ticker, CUSIP, ISS Company ID	?	?	?	?	Primary ISIN taken from S&P, RepRisk Company ID. Datafeed: ISIN. LEI. BVD IDs	25	?	?

²⁴ ISS ESG Corporate Rating primarily uses disclosed company data wherever available. If no relevant or current company information for a specific indicator is available, and no assumptions can be made on pre-defined standards, the indicator is assessed with D-.
²⁵ Available to link to S&P Capital IQ data (BECRS SNL Identifier Package) or to Compustat data (BECRS Compustat GVKEY Identifier Package): https://wrds-www.wharton.upenn.edu/documents/1728/sp_global_esg_scores_user_guide.pdf

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Rating	Score	0 to 100	D- to A	0 to 100	0 to 100	?	0 to 5	D- to A+	0 to 100	CCC to AAA	Low to High (w/ No. of Deals)	D- to A+ and 0 to 100	D to AAA	<u>0 to 100</u>	?	0 to 100
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Bloomberg - ESG Disclosures Scores

See Bloomberg Terminal. The Bloomberg Disclosure Scores have been around for a while and aren't 'normal' ESG scores, but instead a score specifically about how much a company discloses about ESG related things.

Sometime in 2022ish Bloomberg released their own ESG Score framework. On a terminal enter <BESG> for documentation. They have scores for E, S, and G that are industry weighted and are listed as "financial materiality scores." Data appears to go back to FY 2015 (at least for Apple). They also have scores for individual metrics like "board composition" and "product data security policy".

CDP - Academic license

Refer to their latest <u>Academic Data Brochure</u>.

Two 'types' of data:

- **Scores**: Provision of Investor-led scores, covering the same three areas listed above.
- **Response status**: Provision of Response Status (CDP questionnaire answered by Investors, whether they submitted a response and if they did, whether this was submitted publicly or non-publicly.)

Categorized in the following 'areas':

- Climate Change
- Water Security
- Forests

See <u>CDP questionnaires</u> and their <u>scoring methodologies</u>. Companies can disclose in response to a request from an investor, a customer, or both.

Search and view past <u>public</u> responses through their <u>CDP database</u> (registration required).

Coverage:

- 2002-/2011-
- Claims to cover 1,000 cities, states, & regions, 13,000 corporations, 590 investors

 TOED

Reporting standards: TCFD

One-off purchase and three-year subscriptions available for

- Single academic individual
- Single academic department
- University-wide

CSRHub

- Best budget pick (\$2,995/year + \$500/year/additional user) if you require an off-the-shelf solution.
 - Licenses other ESG analyst datasets (e.g. S&P Global, ISS, MSCI, Trucost ESG Analysis, Ideal Ratings, Arabesque S-Ray, Covalence, Urgentem and Vigeo EIRIS.)
 - Covers a large universe (50,000+ entities; 20,000+ fully rated, 10,000+ partially rated, 20,000+ not rated) across <u>all regions</u>
 - Data set goes back to December 2008 (monthly frequently) with a lag of two months (i.e. data for May 2020 will be available in July 2020)
- Delivery: web interface, custom Excel dashboard, RESTful API

See their methodology:

We have data on approximately 150,000 companies. We publish information on more than 53,999 companies and we issue ratings on 22,820 companies. We offer full ratings on 20,068 of these. Each month, we conduct a separate "human review" of our ratings to make sure that we have not missed an obvious problem or outlier. At present, less than 150 companies are receiving "manual" adjustments.

We are actively working to increase the scope of our coverage. We currently publish data on about 10,000 private companies, government agencies, and NFPs.

Full CSRHub sample for Walmart Inc.: https://www.csrhub.com/subscription_sample.

A brief version of their most recent company-level profiles is available via **Nexis Uni**. Updated within 1 month of publication. Each profile contains

- overall CSRHub ESG Rating,
- source count.
- ratings for five top-level rating category
 - o Overall,
 - o Community,
 - Employees,
 - Environment, &
 - Governance
- ratings for 12 selected sub-categories
 - Energy and Climate Change
 - Resource Management
 - Environment Policy and Reporting
 - Community Dev and Philanthropy
 - Human Rights and Supply Chain
 - Product
 - Compensation and Benefits
 - Diversity and Labor Rights

- Training Health and Safety
- Board
- Leadership Ethics
- Transparency and Reporting

ESG Book

(fka Arabesque S-Ray GmbH; founded in 2018)

Three 'parts':

- 1. **ESG Raw Data** (four sub-parts)
 - a. ESG Module
 - b. **Emissions+ Module**: Non-estimated Scope 1, 2 and 3 data including Scope 3 categories and additional gasses across product chain.
 - c. **Green Revenues**: Company revenues from investments into green transition business models
 - d. SFDR Data
 - 25,000+ companies for climate data / emissions (disclosed and estimations where companies do not provide disclosure)
 - 9,000+ companies covered on their company-disclosed ESG data

2. ESG Analytics

- a. **Fund Scores**: covering ETFs, Mutual Funds, and bespoke portfolio scores. Covers 100,000+ funds.
- GC Score: normative assessment of companies based on the principles of the UN Global Compact
- c. **ESG Score**: evaluation of a company's performance on the ESG topics that are financially material to its business.
- d. Temperature Score: metric that quantifies how corporations are contributing to the rise in global temperature through their GHG emissions.
- e. Preference Filter: search tool that checks the business involvements of companies, and flags those involved in certain activities. Covers 27,000+companies.
- 9,000+ companies covered in GC Score, ESG Score, & Temperature Score
- 3. **ESG Book** (platform)
- Free: Corporate sustainability information (registration required)
- Premium access: real-time ESG data and analytics

Factset Truvalue ESG data

Largest universe in terms of full ratings, with 230,000 companies covered.

FTSE Russell Sustainability & ESG Ratings

https://www.ftserussell.com/data/sustainability-and-esg-data

ISS (Institutional Shareholder Services)

Ratings and Rankings (majority owned by Deutsche Börse Group in 2020, acquired Oekom Research in 2018)

Available via WRDS:

- Directors
- Governance
- Incentive Lab
- Voting Analytics

Climate Solutions

- Expected to be available via WRDS in 2023 Q1
- Coverage: global, public companies, firm-level data, 2013-

ESG Corporate Rating

no longer available to academic customers (as of 12/5/2022)

ESG Fund Rating

Info forthcoming

MSCI ESG Ratings

(acquired GMI Ratings in 2014, & Carbon Delta in 2019)

<u>Available via WRDS</u> but historical coverage limited (these aren't overall ESG scores, and won't be updated anymore):

- Social Ratings 2015–2019
- Companies, Directorships 2001–2018
- <u>Takeover Defenses</u> 2005–2018
- CEOs 2004–2018; CEO New Disclosures 2007–2008

Moody's ESG Solutions Group

(includes V.E / Vigeo Eiris and Four Twenty Seven, both acquired in 2019)

A suite of product offerings:

ESG Measures

- ESG Scores & Assessments, universe consists two parts
 - ESG Scores: model-driven ESG scores
 - ESG Scores & Assessments: 5,000+ companies (as of 2022), analyst-driven ESG scores
 - o Delivery: via Orbis platform, or API
- ESG Screening Data

- Negative screening: ESG controversies and involvements in controversial activities
- Positive screening: companies offering and developing sustainable goods & services
- Regulatory Data
 - Data to facilitate mandatory disclosures in line with EU Taxonomy and SFDR regulations
- ESG Controversy Monitoring & Alerts
- Normative Standard Screening

Climate Solutions

(Excluded from this discussion: SME Solutions, Index Solutions, Sustainable Finance.)

Pregin ESG Solutions

Focuses on 'private markets', therefore their universe is on GPs & LPs, funds, and portfolios Unavailable via WRDS for now.

Refinitiv ESG Scores

Should be part of your Eikon / Refinitiv Workspace subscription Available via WRDS

ESG at funds level is a separate product: see <u>Refinitiv Lipper Fund ESG Scores</u> (335,000+ funds).

RepRisk ESG Risk

Focus is on non-listed, private companies.

See their methodology.

- Available via WRDS
- Also available via Nasdaq Data Link (part of their <u>ESG Data Hub</u>); see their <u>academic</u> use license agreement

S&P Global Sustainable1 and Trucost

(acquired Trucost and RobecoSAM in 2019)

Sustainable1: See their <u>methodology</u> and <u>data schema</u>.

Trucost: See their methodology and data schema.

Department-specific access: via Capital IQ Pro

Campus-wide access: via WRDS > <u>Trucost and S&P Global ESG Scores</u> (only option)

- Climate Analytics
- ESG Scores
- Trucost Environmental

Disclosure & universe: 33% based on disclosure info, 66% is estimated (especially on private companies)

Sustainalytics' ESG Risk Ratings

(acquired by Morningstar in 2020) See their methodology and sample report.

- Arguably has the best coverage (16,000+ public & private companies)
- Available via WRDS:
 - Sustainalytics North America Only: historical raw scores, weights, and weighted scores.
 - Sustainalytics ESG Risk Rating: a measure of unmanaged ESG risk.
- PitchBook (owned by Morningstar) announced a partnership with Sustainlytics in Mar 2022, covering 13,000 global public companies

Other ESG related sources

Axiomatic Data

Quantitative data on public and private U.S. companies, extracted and aligned from IRS Form 5500 (ERISA) filings, which cover retirement and welfare benefit plans and can be leveraged as leading indicators of financial health. It allows the ability to compare employee benefit plans across all companies and industries (broad coverage) at an extremely high level of granularity:

Employee Benefits: Do companies with better employee benefit plans outperform those with poor employee benefits?

Red Flags / Credit analysis:Performance of companies that stop certain employee benefit plans.

- See their <u>data dictionaries</u>
- Point in time, updated monthly, with 6+ years of historical data
- Ticker-mapped to Russell 3000 universe, harmonized/normalized

B Corp

- See their <u>standards</u> and <u>controversial issues</u>.
- Download B Impact Assessment reports from Certified B Corporations using their <u>B Corp</u> <u>Directory</u>.

Corporate Register ESG Data Packages

Global online directory of corporate responsibility (CR) reports past and present. See https://www.corporateregister.com/about/CR Data.pdf

CSMAR Corporate Governance (via WRDS)

Ecolumix

Info forthcoming

Equileap

- Gender Equality Data
 - covers all main developed markets, including the MSCI World, Russell 1000,
 S&P 500 and STOXX 600 indices = 4,000 companies across 23 countries
 - o Their claim: "The largest gender database globally"
 - Also available via Nasdaq Data Link (part of their <u>ESG Data Hub</u>); see their academic use license agreement

OWL ESG

- OWL IQ ESG Data
- OWL ESG Consensus Scores
 - Also available via Nasdaq Data Link (part of their <u>ESG Data Hub</u>); see their academic use license agreement
- OWL ESG Fund Ratings

RavenPack ESG Controversy Ratings

event-based (quantitative) approach to measure exposure to ESG controversies

See their methodology (April 2022 edition).

SNL Energy

over 450 power and midstream companies.

Statista

Statistics Canada: Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Project

• See their <u>experimental dashboard</u> (released in Mar 2022).

Sustainable Fitch ESG Ratings

Products:

- ESG Relevance Scores (from Fitch Ratings)
- Climate Vulnerability Scores (from Sustainable Fitch & Fitch Ratings)
- ESG Research (from Sustainable Fitch & Fitch Ratings)
- ESG Learning (from Fitch Learning)

See their ESG Rating methodology and sample reports (explainer):

- Brass No 10
- BPCE Home Loans FCT 2021 Green UoP
- Fannie Mae Trust
- Green STORM 2021
- Sunnova Helios IX Issuer LLC
- Tesla Auto Lease Trust 2019-A
- Tesla Auto Lease Trust 2021-B
- Green STORM 2018
- Green STORM 2019
- Green STORM 2022

Also see their **ESG Encyclopedia**, which provides insights on the credit relevance and materiality of ...:

- Volume 1: all sector-specific environmental credit issues, namely greenhouse heating
 gas emissions and air quality, energy and fuel management, water, biodiversity and
 waste, & exposure to environmental impacts.
- <u>Volume 2</u>: sector-focused social credit issues, specifically, issues related to labor, customer/consumer relations, social impact exposure, community relations.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Info forthcoming

Frameworks and Standards 101

Source: https://www.gobyinc.com/esg-solutions/the-esg-reporting-matrix

- CDP (formerly the Carbon Disclosure Project: global environmental disclosure system
 used by companies disclosing via any or all of the three CDP questionnaires of climate
 change, forests, and water security.
- GRESB: ESG performance of real assets.
- GRI (Global Reporting Initiative): first set of sustainability standards
- SAM CSA (Corporate Sustainability Assessment): annually evaluates the sustainability practices of companies by asking participants to fill out a questionnaire (part of S&P Global)
- SASB: track and communicate sustainability actions most financially-material to your investors, with 77+ industry-specific SASB Standards.
- **TCFD** (Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures): guides companies on disclosing climate-related financial risks.

• **UN PRI** (Principles for Responsible Investment): encourage investors to implement sustainable investment principles

Indices

 Dow Jones Sustainability Index (**DJSI**): One of the best-known indices. Based not on public disclosures but on info collected directly by invitation from 3,400 worldwide issuers through a questionnaire called the Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA). The DJSI rates top companies annually and is billed as the "gold star for corporate sustainability."

News & newsletters

3BL CSRwire

major news and updates focused on corporate social responsibility (CSR). See their reports.

Axios

 Axios Generate newsletter: energy and climate news and analysis that spans policy, science, tech deals, and more. By Ben Geman and Andrew Freedman.

Barron's

Sustainable Investing

Bloomberg Green

- Energy & Science
- Finance
- Climate Adaptation
- Politics
- Design & Culture
- Methane Menace
- Data Dash
- Green Daily newsletter: A digest of climate news and insights on the latest in science, environmental impacts, zero-emission tech and green finance. Includes a special Saturday edition.

Business Insider

<u>Insider Sustainability newsletter</u> (presented by Deloitte): The latest on the culture & business of sustainability — delivered weekly to your inbox.

Caixin Global

- Topics > <u>ESG & Carbon Goals</u>: China is witnessing an exponential growth in carbon reduction effort and interest in ESG and sustainable investments. Caixin will bring you a timely update with insights on what is happening in the world's second-largest economy on climate change, impact investing, green finance and more.
- Caixin Green Insight
 - <u>Carbon Backgrounder</u>: Everything you need to know about China's decarbonization drive
 - Energy Insider: A weekly round-up of energy sector news
 - <u>China Green Bulletin newsletter</u>: brings information on the ESG practices, energy updates and decarbonization efforts that are driving China's green transition (every Fri)
 - China Green Bulletin Premium newsletter: (every Tue & Fri for paid subscribers)

Capital IQ Pro

- ESG Insider
- Focus on ESG

Connecticut Post

• <u>Energy & Environment</u>: Stories about energy, climate change, coastal resilience, pollution, environmental health, land use, and environmental legislation.

CSRWire

- <u>Environmental Resources</u>: Conserving natural resources, landscapes and wildlife for use by future generations.
- <u>Sustainability</u>: Balancing impacts through responsible business practices, supply chains and energy use.

The Economist

- Climate Change: Analysis of the science, politics and economics of the climate
- <u>The Climate Issue newsletter</u> (fortnightly)

Entrepreneur

Green Entrepreneur

ESG Today

• covers ESG issues for investors. See their <u>newsletter</u>.

Financial Times

- Markets > FT Moral Money
- FT Moral Money newsletter
- @FTMoralMoney

Fortune

• Green Inc. newsletter: On the revolutions in energy, technology, and sustainability. (weekly)

MIT Tech Review

• Climate Change

NYTimes.com

- <u>Climate and Environment</u>: Read the latest news on climate change and environmental regulations.
- Climate Forward (twice weekly) <u>newsletter</u>

Protocol Climate

Covering how technology is being used to tackle climate change — and how the tech industry is reckoning with its own environmental impact.

SEC (U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission)

• SEC Response to Climate and ESG Risks and Opportunities

South China Morning Post

Business of climate change

Tech in Asia

- <u>Greentech</u>: Apart from doing good, there are exciting opportunities in climate tech, which is part of Tech in Asia's editorial coverage.
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