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## TSX60

Trends and Insights from the 2023 Proxy Season: TSX60 Board Governance & ESG

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## Introduction & Agenda



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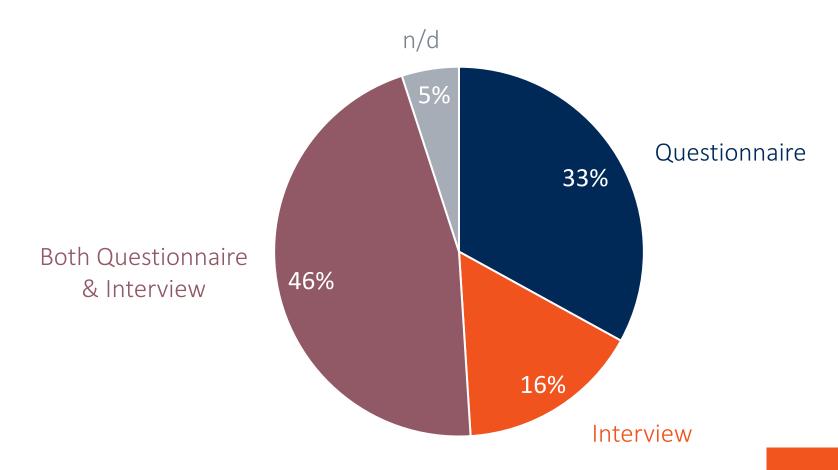
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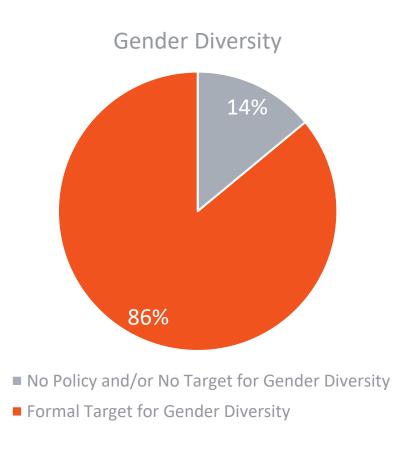


### TSX60 Board Evaluation Tools Used in FY2022

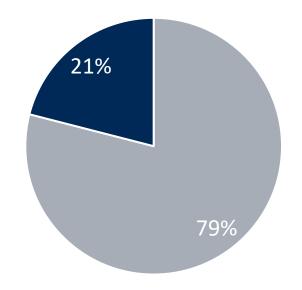




## TSX60 Board Diversity Targets



# Visible Minority, BIPOC, Other Designated Group Diversity



- No Policy and/or No Target for Visible Minority Diversity
- Formal Target for Visible Minorities



## Drivers of ESG Measures in Executive Compensation

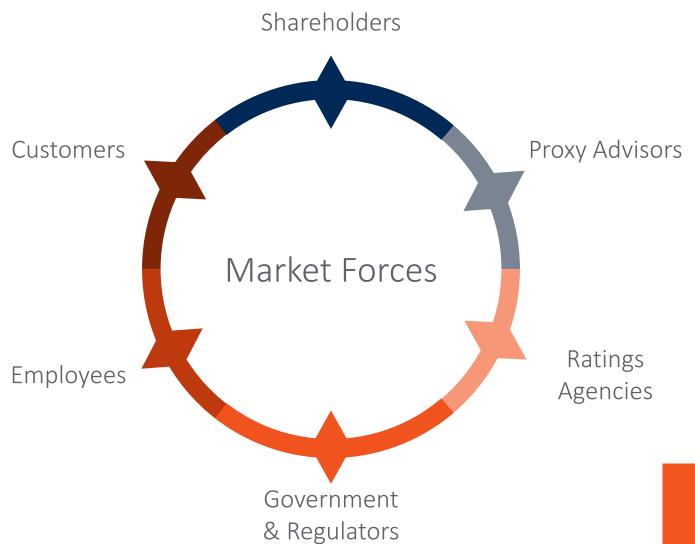
Question: If you have included ESG performance goals in your programs since 2020, or are thinking of doing so, what factors are driving your decision? (Choose all that apply)





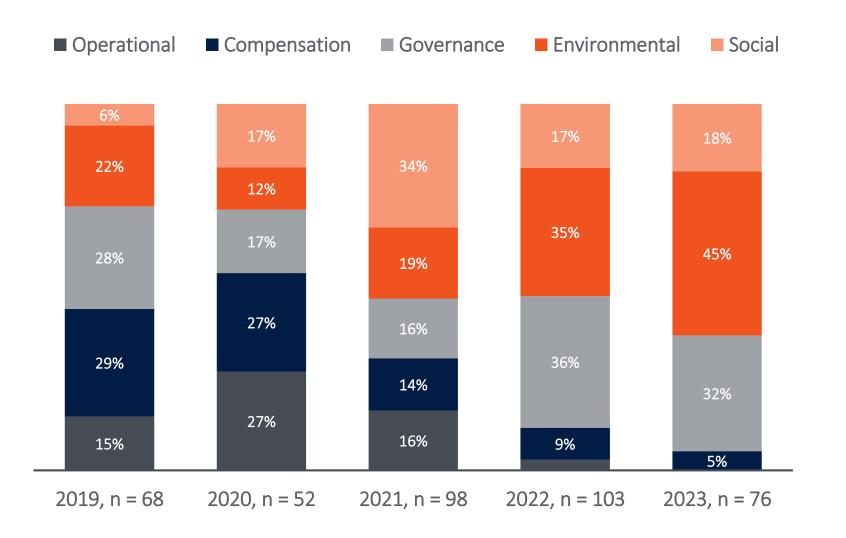


## Market Forces Driving ESG in Compensation





## Focus of Canadian Shareholder Proposals

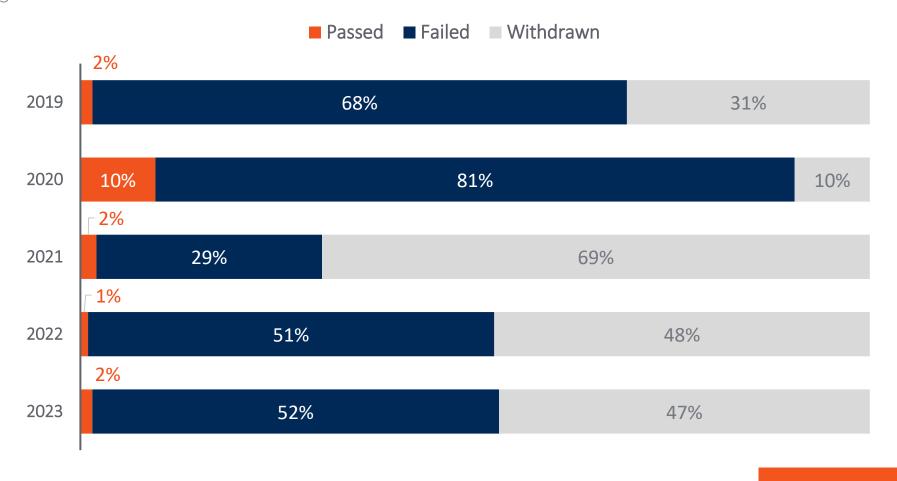


~95% of proposals so far in FY2023 focus on ESGrelated topics



## Results of Canadian Shareholder Proposals

As of May 31, 2023

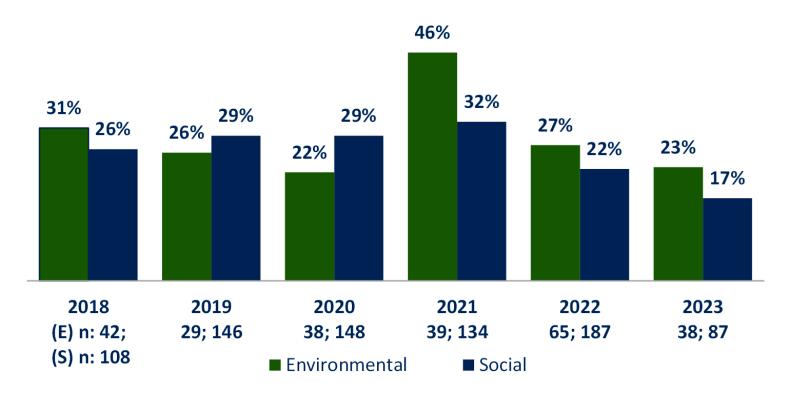




## Results of US Shareholder Proposals

As of May 31, 2023

Environmental & Social Proposal Median Support







## 2023 Proxy Season Takeaways

Leveling off momentum in the number of companies incorporating ESG into incentive programs

#### Number of TSX60 Companies Incorporating ESG into Incentives

	FY2020		FY2021		FY2022
STIP	37	$\rightarrow$	42	$\rightarrow$	44
LTIP	9	$\rightarrow$	13	$\rightarrow$	16



## Forms of ESG Metrics in the STIP

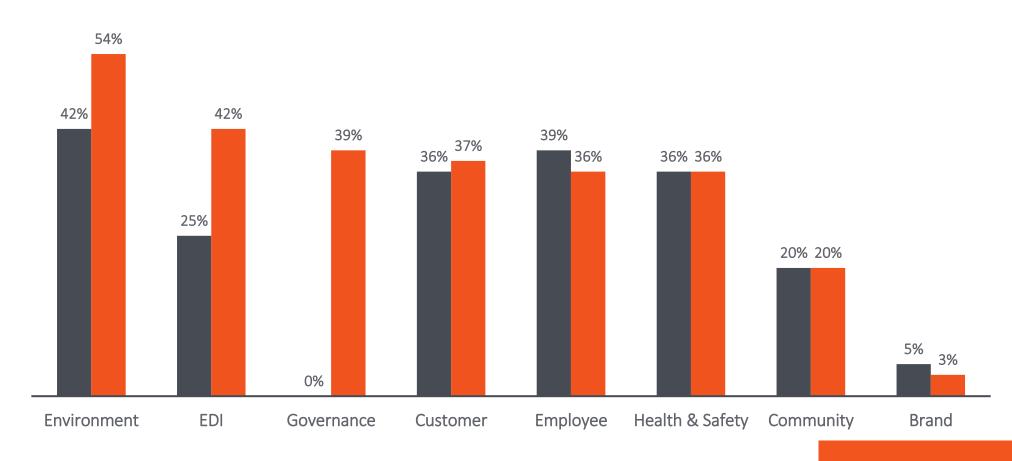
Companies are increasingly shifting towards discrete metrics and modifiers

Type of Metric	FY2021		FY2022
Individual	18	$\rightarrow$	11
Basket	28	$\rightarrow$	28
Discrete	14	$\rightarrow$	22
Modifier	4	$\rightarrow$	8



## ESG Metric Prevalence by Type (STIP)

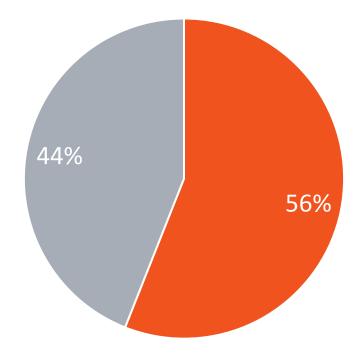






#### Carbon Reduction Metrics in FY2022

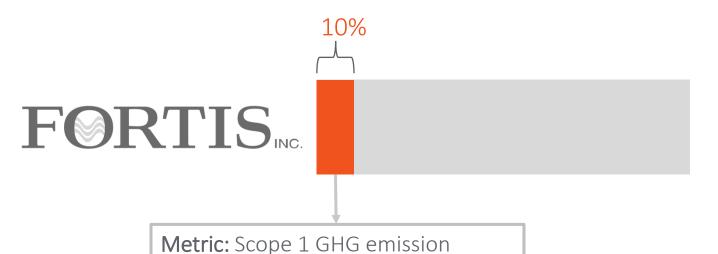
Inclusion of Carbon Reduction Metrics (of those with ESG metrics)



- Includes Carbon Reduction Metrics
- Does Not Include Carbon Reduction Metrics



## Case Study: PSUs



reductions

Target: Reduce emissions 75% from 2019 levels by 2035. Measured on a three-year basis

Payout Range:



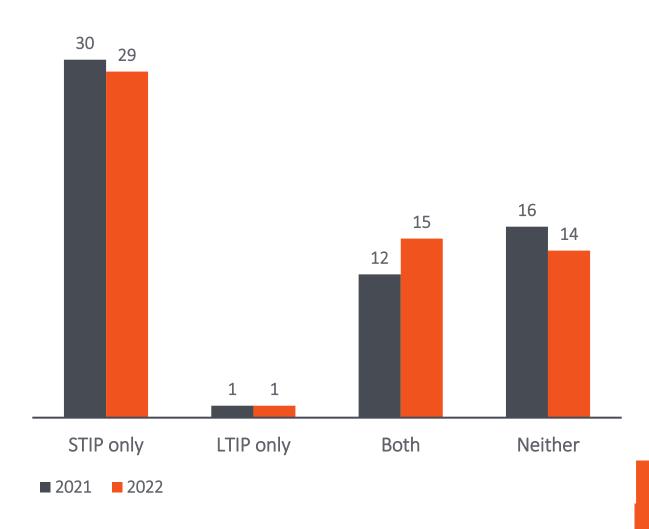


# DEI Multiplier (Implemented in 2023)

 Adjusts the aggregate score of existing PSUs by +/- 5% based on the achievement of corporatewide executive representation targets for gender and ethnicity.



### ESG Metric Inclusion in LTIP and STIP





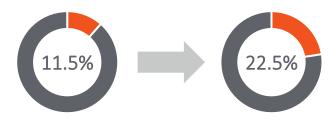
## Looking Ahead to 2023

#### Company

#### 2023 Adjustments



- Nearly doubled the weighting of safety performance in the STIP:
   11.5% → 22.5%
- Added a new "serious injury and fatality metric"
- Continue to include an ESG-only conditioned PSU: climate-PSUs (10% of PSUs, 5% of LTIP). Performance will be measured based on emission reductions in-line with 2030 target





Added a new Sustainability modifier which will adjust the aggregate score of existing PSUs +/-10% based on the achievement of four goals: sustainable investment, gender and under-represented ethnicity representation at executive levels, and GHG emission reductions in operations

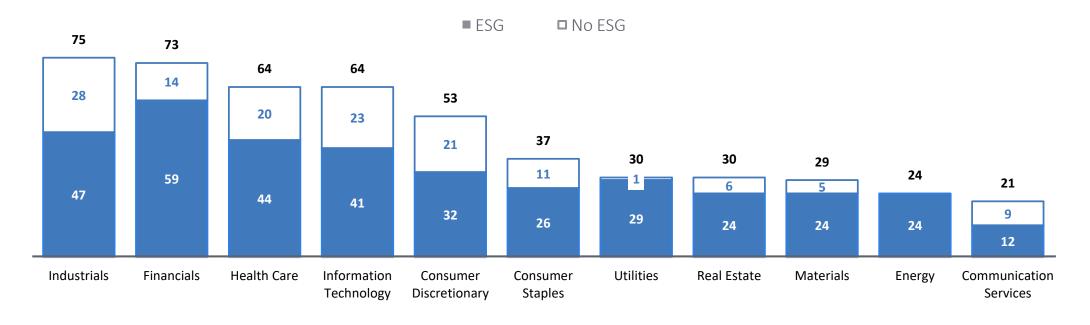


Added a 10% weighted GHG metric to PSU performance criteria



## 2023 US ESG Trends (S&P 500) – Prevalence

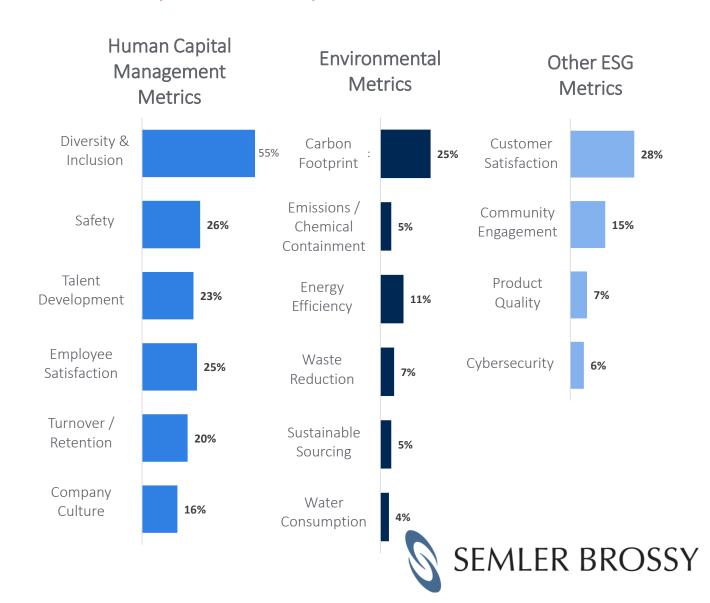
#### Prevalence of ESG Metrics in Incentive Plans by Industry







## 2023 US ESG Trends (S&P 500) – Metrics





## 2023 US ESG Trends (S&P 500) – Structure

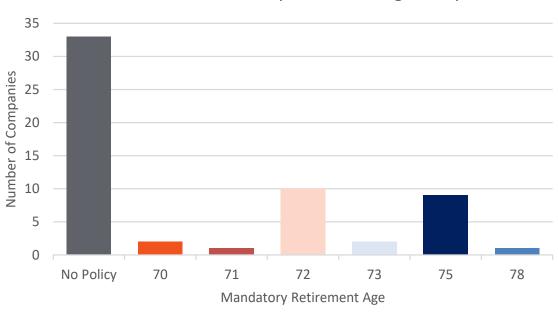
#	ESG METRIC STRUCTURE	(N=362)	
1	Discrete Weighted	25%	ESG is incorporated in incentives through specific metrics, each of which has its own discrete weighting (e.g., 10% of plan based on safety and 5% of plan based on customer satisfaction)
2	Scorecard	40%	ESG metrics are formally included in incentives but are not individually weighted and are generally assessed as part of a broader corporate or individual scorecard of ESG or business priorities (e.g., 30% of the plan tied to strategic initiatives, some of which include ESG)
3	Modifier	14%	ESG metric(s) can adjust the overall plan payout by a specified amount (e.g., +/- 10%)
4	Discretionary	21%	ESG is not fully quantified but rather included as an additional layer of discretionary considerations that may impact final payouts, generally in an individual component (e.g., CHRO implemented a company-wide diversity and inclusion training)



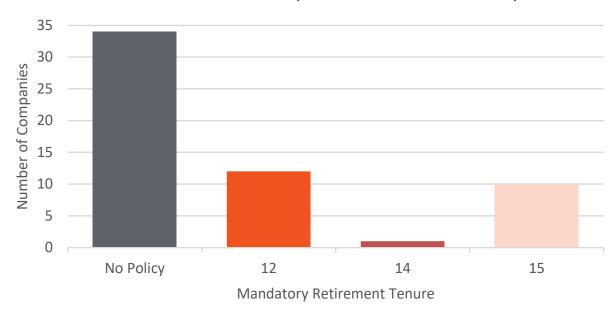


## Mandatory Retirement Policies

#### Prevalence of Mandatory Retirement Age Policy



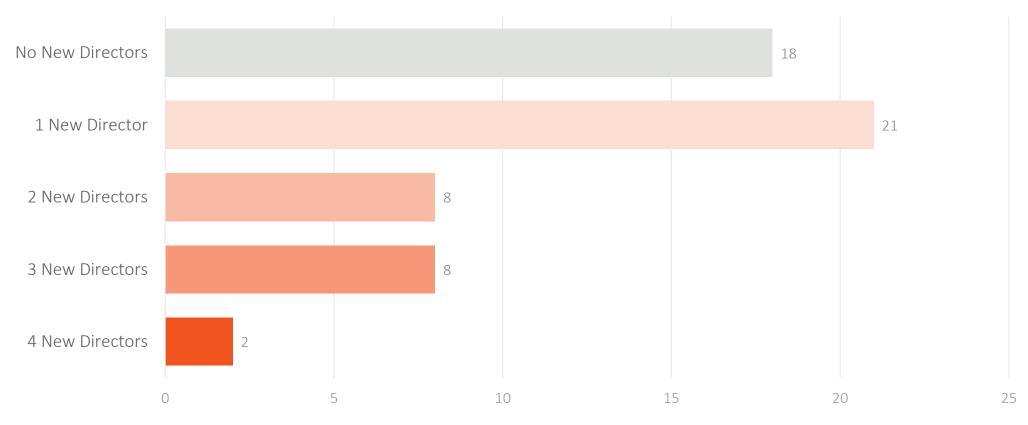
#### Prevalence of Mandatory Retirement Tenure Policy





## Board Refreshment: Newly Elected Directors in FY2022







## Director Overboarding Policies

#### **Board Policy**



#### Audit Committee Policy



