

# Kronos Worldwide Inc. Fundamental Company Report Including Financial, SWOT, Competitors and Industry Analysis

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## Abstracts

Kronos Worldwide Inc. Fundamental Company Report provides a complete overview of the company's affairs. All available data is presented in a comprehensive and easily accessed format. The report includes financial and SWOT information, industry analysis, opinions, estimates, plus annual and quarterly forecasts made by stock market experts. The report also enables direct comparison to be made between Kronos Worldwide Inc. and its competitors. This provides our Clients with a clear understanding of Kronos Worldwide Inc. position in the [Chemical](#) Industry.

The report contains detailed information about Kronos Worldwide Inc. that gives an unrivalled in-depth knowledge about internal business-environment of the company: data about the owners, senior executives, locations, subsidiaries, markets, products, and company history.

Another part of the report is a SWOT-analysis carried out for Kronos Worldwide Inc.. It involves specifying the objective of the company's business and identifies the different factors that are favorable and unfavorable to achieving that objective. SWOT-analysis helps to understand company's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and possible threats against it.

The Kronos Worldwide Inc. financial analysis covers the income statement and ratio trend-charts with balance sheets and cash flows presented on an annual and quarterly basis. The report outlines the main financial ratios pertaining to profitability, margin analysis, asset turnover, credit ratios, and company's long-

term solvency. This sort of company's information will assist and strengthen your company's decision-making processes.

In the part that describes Kronos Worldwide Inc. competitors and the industry in whole, the information about company's financial ratios is compared to those of its competitors and to the industry. The unique analysis of the market and company's competitors along with detailed information about the internal and external factors affecting the relevant industry will help to manage your business environment. Your company's business and sales activities will be boosted by gaining an insight into your competitors' businesses.

Also the report provides relevant news, an analysis of PR-activity, and stock price movements. The latter are correlated with pertinent news and press releases, and annual and quarterly forecasts are given by a variety of experts and market research firms. Such information creates your awareness about principal trends of Kronos Worldwide Inc. business.

### **About Kronos Worldwide Inc.**

Kronos Worldwide, Inc. produces and markets titanium dioxide pigments primarily in North America and Europe. The company is a subsidiary of Valhi, Inc.

#### Products

The company produces approximately 40 different TiO<sub>2</sub> grades, sold under the Kronos trademark. Its TiO<sub>2</sub> is produced in two crystalline forms: rutile and anatase. Rutile TiO<sub>2</sub> is manufactured using both a chloride production process and a sulfate production process, whereas anatase TiO<sub>2</sub> is produced using a sulfate production process. TiO<sub>2</sub> is an inorganic pigment used to impart whiteness, brightness and opacity for products such as coatings, plastics, paper, fibers, food, ceramics, and cosmetics.

#### Other Products

The company owns and operates an ilmenite mine in Norway pursuant to a governmental concession. Ilmenite is a raw material used directly as a feedstock by sulfate-process TiO<sub>2</sub> plants, including its European sulfate-process plants. The company also sells ilmenite ore to third-parties.

The company manufactures and sells iron-based chemicals, which are co-products and processed co-products of the TiO<sub>2</sub> pigment production process. These co-product chemicals are marketed through its Ecochem division, and are used primarily as treatment and conditioning agents for industrial effluents and municipal wastewater, as well as in the manufacture of iron pigments, cement and agricultural products.

The company manufactures and sells titanium oxychloride and titanyl sulfate, which are side-stream products from the production of TiO<sub>2</sub>. Titanium oxychloride is used in specialty applications in the formulation of pearlescent pigments, production of electroceramic capacitors for cell phones and other electronic devices. Titanyl sulfate products are used primarily in pearlescent pigments, natural gas pipe, and other specialty applications.

#### TiO<sub>2</sub> manufacturing joint venture

The company owns a 50% interest in Louisiana Pigment Company, L.P. (LPC). LPC is a manufacturing joint venture whose other 50%-owner is Tioxide Americas, Inc., which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Huntsman Holdings LLC. LPC owns and operates a chloride-process TiO<sub>2</sub> plant in Lake Charles, Louisiana.

#### Customers

The company's customers include domestic and international paint, plastics and paper manufacturers.

#### Suppliers

The company purchases chloride process grade slag from Rio Tinto Iron and Titanium. It purchases natural rutile ore primarily from Iluka Resources, Limited. It also purchases sulfate grade slag primarily from Q.I.T. Fer et Titane, Inc. (also a subsidiary of Rio Tinto Iron and Titanium).

#### Competition

The company's principal competitors are E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.; Millennium Inorganic Chemicals, Inc. (a subsidiary of National Titanium Dioxide Company Ltd. (Cristal)); Huntsman; Tronox Incorporated; and Sachtleben Chemie.

#### History

Kronos Worldwide, Inc. was founded in 1989.

The above Company Fundamental Report is a half-ready report and contents are subject to change.

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## ANALYSIS FEATURES

### SWOT Analysis

SWOT, which stands for Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats, is an analytical framework that identifies the internal and external factors that are favorable and unfavorable for a company.

### Enhanced SWOT Analysis

Enhanced SWOT is a 3x3 grid that arranges strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats into one scheme:

How to use the strengths to take advantage of the opportunities?

How to use the strengths to reduce likelihood and impact of the threats?

How to overcome the weaknesses that obstruct taking advantage of the opportunities?

How to overcome the weaknesses that can make the threats a reality?

Upon answering these questions a company can develop a project plan to improve its business performance.

### PESTEL Analysis

PESTEL (also termed as PESTLE) is an ideal tool to strategically analyze what influence different outside factors – political, economic, sociocultural, technological, environmental and legal – exert on a business to later chart its long term targets.

Being part of the external analysis when carrying out a strategic assessment or performing a market study, PESTEL gives an overview of diverse macro-environmental factors that any company should thoughtfully consider. By perceiving these outside environments, businesses can maximally benefit from the opportunities while minimizing the threats to the organization.

## Key Factors Examined by PESTEL Analysis:

**Political** – What opportunities and pressures are brought by political bodies and what is the degree of public regulations' impact on the business?

**Economic** – What economic policies, trends and structures are expected to affect the organization, what is this influence's degree?

**Sociological** – What cultural and societal aspects will work upon the demand for the business's products and operations?

**Technological** – What impact do the technological aspects, innovations, incentives and barriers have on the organization?

**Environmental** – What environmental and ecological facets, both locally and farther afield, are likely to predetermine the business?

**Legal** – What laws and legislation will exert influence on the style the business is carried out?

## **IFE, EFE, IE Matrices**

The Internal Factor Evaluation matrix (IFE matrix) is a strategic management tool helping audit or evaluate major weaknesses and strengths in a business's functional areas. In addition, IFE matrix serves as a basis for identifying and assessing relationships amongst those areas. The IFE matrix is utilised in strategy formulation.

The External Factor Evaluation matrix (EFE matrix) is a tool of strategic management that is typically utilised to assess current market conditions. It is an ideal instrument for visualising and prioritising the threats and opportunities a firm is facing.

The essential difference between the above mentioned matrices lies in the type of factors incorporated in the model; whilst the latter is engaged in internal factors, the former deals exceptionally with external factors – those exposed to social, political, economic, legal, etc. external forces.

Being a continuation of the EFE matrix and IFE matrix models, the Internal External matrix (IE matrix) rests upon an investigation of external and internal business factors

integrated into one suggestive model.

### **Porter Five Forces Analysis**

The Porter's five forces analysis studies the industry of operation and helps the company find new sources of competitive advantage. The analysis surveys an industry through five major questions:

What composes a threat of substitute products and services?

Is there a threat of new competitors entering the market?

What is the intensity of competitive rivalry?

How big is the bargaining power of buyers?

How significant is the bargaining power of suppliers?

### **VRIO Analysis**

VRIO stands for Value, Rarity, Imitability, Organization. This analysis helps to evaluate all company's resources and capabilities and bring them together into one aggregate table that includes:

Tangible resources

Financial

Physical

Technological

Organizational

Intangible resources

Human

Innovation and Creativity

## Reputation

### Organizational capabilities

The result of the analysis gives a clear picture of company's competitive and economic implications, answering the questions if the resources mentioned above are:

Valuable?

Rare?

Costly to imitate?

Organized properly?

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