



This is the 7th year the Ministry of Environmental Protection is publishing an Environmental Impact Index of Israel's largest public companies

- The rating raises public awareness about companies' environmental activities, in a simple and understandable manner
- The methodology of the Index is based on the UK's Operational Risk Appraisal (OPRA), through which the government assesses environmental risk and determines how to allocate its regulatory resources.
- The Index includes public and government companies that are obligated to submit reports to the Pollutant Releases and Transfers Register (PRTR) or to companies that operate gas stations. Altogether, the Index includes:

More than 40 public companies More than 100 factories More than 900 gas stations

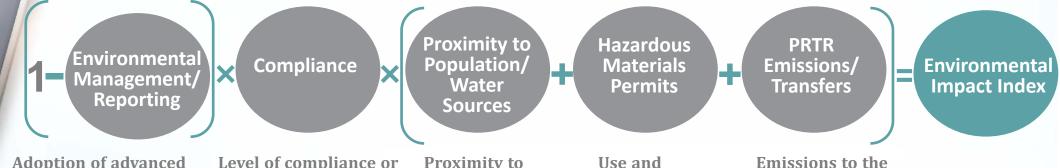


Environmental Impact Index Components

The environmental impact of the company: Pollutant emissions to the air, sea, rivers/streams, soil. Wastewater discharges. Waste transfers. Use of hazardous materials. Proximity of the factory to the population and to water sources.

Compliance to environmental laws: Violations of environmental laws, rules, and regulations that were discovered during Ministry of Environmental Protection inspections.

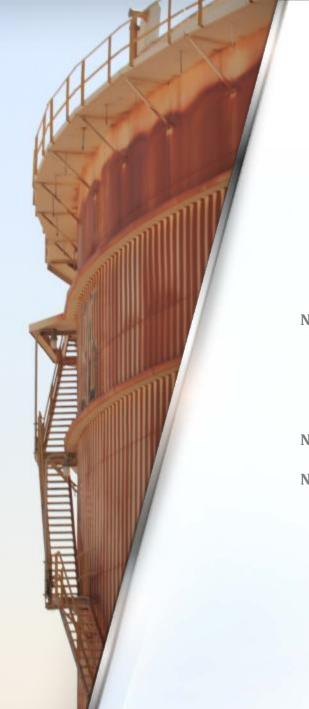
Environmental management: Voluntary actions taken aimed at improving the company's environmental impact. Ex: using environmental management systems, taking steps to ensure environmentally efficiency, submitting voluntary environmental reports, etc.



Adoption of advanced regulations for environmental management and reporting

Level of compliance or lack thereof to environmental laws: Includes violation of demands, enforcement proceedings Proximity to population centers, hydrological sensitivity (ground water and water sources), discharge of wastewater to the marine environment

storage of toxins and hazardous materials Emissions to the air, water sources, sea, and soil, Wastewater discharges. Waste transfers.



Factory Index: "Top 10"

Higher points = Higher Potential Environmental Risk

Differer previou	Points	
+49%	Rotem Amfert Negev	497
+11%	Oil Refineries Ltd.	492
No change	Paz Ashdod Oil Refinery	427
+5%	Carmel Olefins	392
-1%	Gadiv Petrochemical Industries	307
No change	Dead Sea Magnesium	288
No change	Israel Electric Corp – Rutenberg	282
-4%	Hadera Paper	280
-4%	Teva Tec	275
+6%	Israel Electric Corp – Orot Rabin	273
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Click on name of factory in order to read more about that factory.

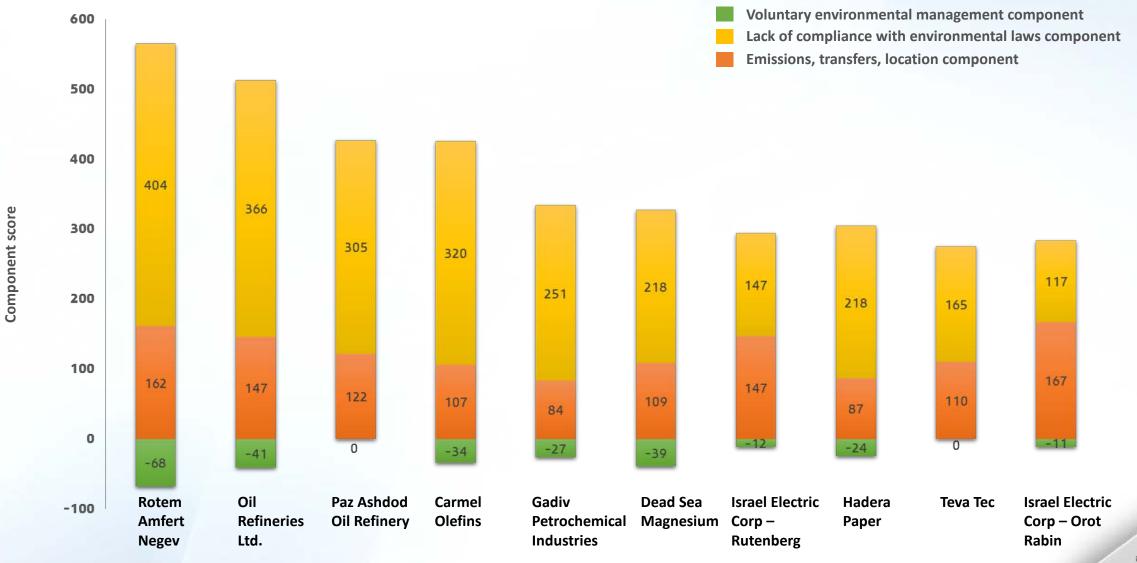


Factory Index: Rated 10 - 20

Higher points = Higher Potential Environmental Risk

Difference from previous year (2016)		Points
+6%	Shaniv Paper Industries	261
-4%	Dead Sea Works	245
+44%	Shemen Industries Ltd	236
+8%	Shokat Wastewater Treatment Plant	225
+7%	Hod Assaf Industries Ltd.	221
+21%	Israel Electric Corp - Eshkol	207
+24%	Plantex Nature	196
+10%	Israel Electric Corp - Haifa	176
+4%	San Fuel Recycling Center	171
+17%	Dead Sea Bromine Co.	162
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Factories Index: Composition of Scores for 10 Highest-Rated Factories

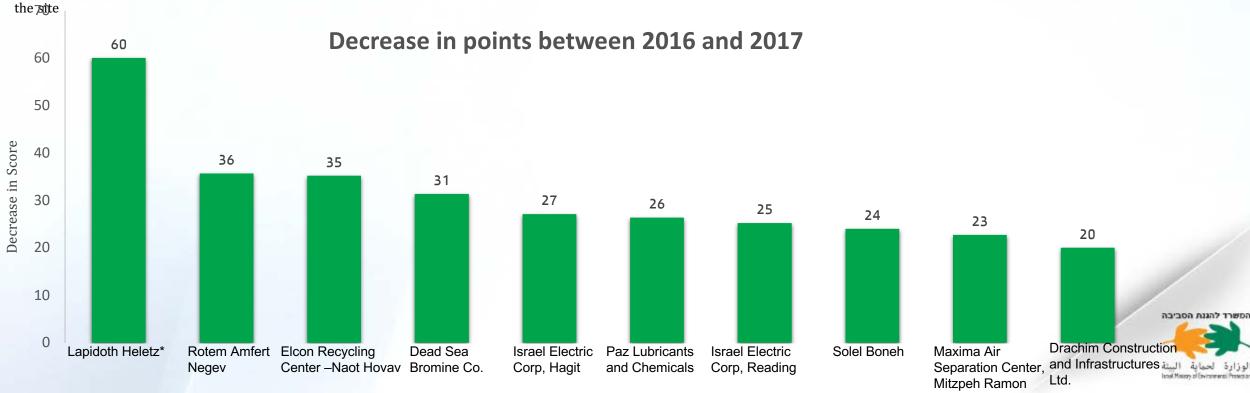




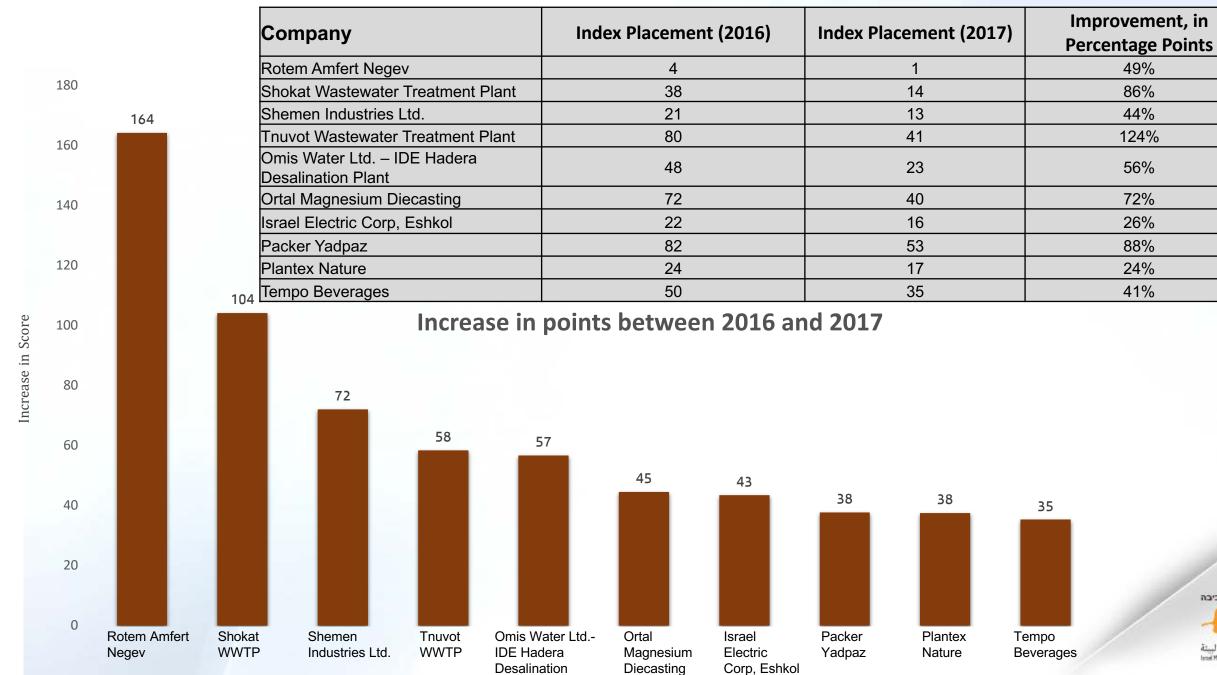
Factories Index: 10 Most Improved Companies (Decrease in score)

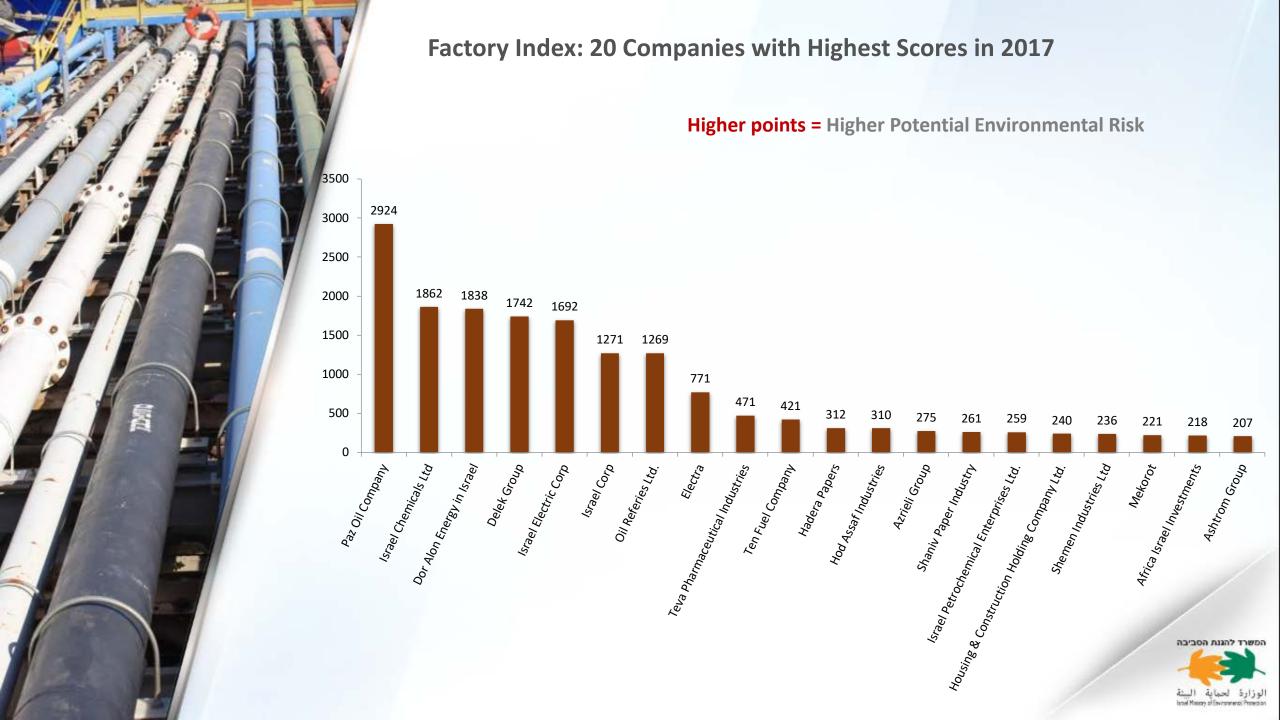
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Company	Index Placement (2016)	Index Placement (2017)	Improvement, in Percentage Points
Lapidoth Heletz*	23	44	- 37%
Rotem Amfert Negev	34	48	- 28%
Elcon Recycling Center – Naot Hovav	18	32	- 21%
Dead Sea Bromine Co.	31	43	- 24%
Israel Electric Corp, Hagit	19	29	- 16%
Paz Lubricants and Chemicals	49	58	- 26%
Israel Electric Corp, Reading	17	25	- 15%
Solel Boneh	85	87	- 63%
Maxima Air Separation Center, Mitzpeh Ramon	67	73	- 33%
Drachim Construction and Infrastructures Ltd.	52	64	- 24%

^{*}Decrease in score is a result of significant reduction in activities on



Factories Index: 10 Companies with Largest Point Increase







Environmental Impact Index – Fuel Company Ratings

Fuel companies are unique in that they own many gas stations. The index of gas stations takes into consideration the average of all the gas stations owned by the companies. The index is aimed at creating a tool to allow for comparisons between the fuel companies, regardless of how big the companies are or how many gas stations they own.

The fuel company index is made up of the following components:

- Negative points for violations of environmental laws, discovered during Ministry of Environmental Protection inspections
- Negative points for failure to install vapor recovery systems
- Positive points for environmental policy, such as use of an environmental management system and voluntary environmental reporting

Positive points for environmental management

Percentage
of stations that
haven't installed
vapor recovery
systems

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compliance score, on average, of company's gas stations

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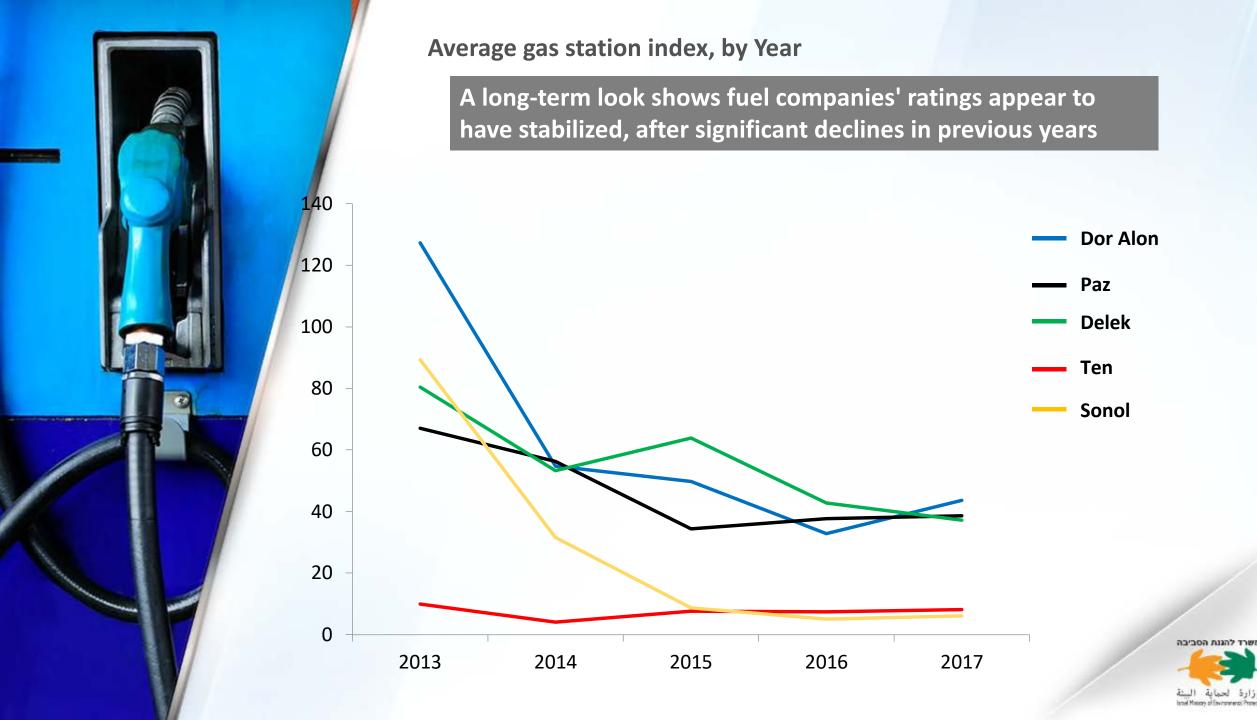


Average gas station index

Sonol is the fuel company with the lowest negative environmental impact. Delek showed the most improvement since last year. Dor Alon's activities have the largest negative environmental impact.

Difference from previous year (2016)	Points
+33% Dor Alon	42
+2% Paz	39
-13% Delek	37
+24% Ten	8
+21% Sonol	6



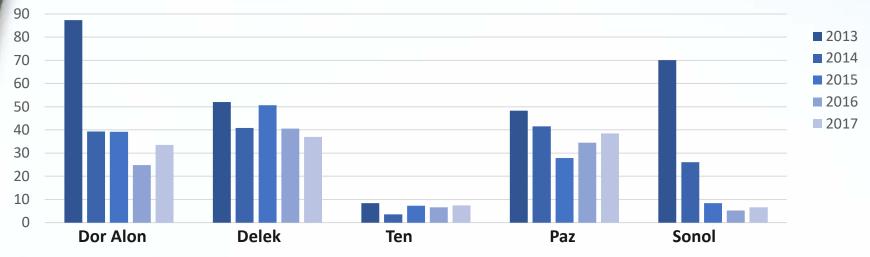




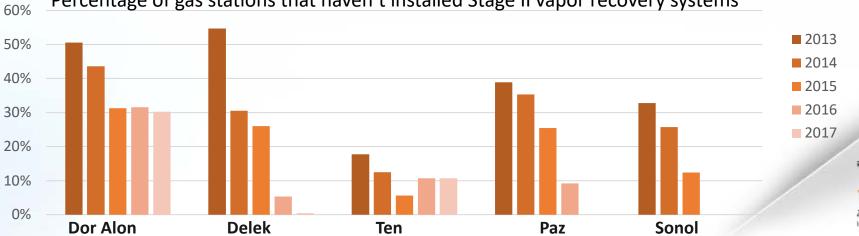
Gas Station Index: Explanation of the trend

While there has been a consistent improvement in installation by gas stations of Stage II vapor recovery systems, scores did not consistently decrease, due to other environmental violations by the gas companies.

Violations score of gas stations, on average, by company



Percentage of gas stations that haven't installed Stage II vapor recovery systems





Gas Station Index: Explanation of the trend

We can see that Dor Alon and Sonol consistently conduct environmental activities and submit voluntary environmental reports

Average positive score for fuel companies



