

HIGH RISK REPORT AKORN, INC.

January 31, 2019



CreditRiskMonitor's assessment of Akorn Inc.'s ("Akorn") "high risk" status has been determined by a combination of factors:

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MONTHLY AVERAGE FRISK® SCORE

CreditRiskMonitor's proprietary FRISK® score has Akorn, Inc.(NASDAQ: AKRX) at a 1, the highest probability of bankruptcy in the next 12 months.

| | Business Name | 2018 | 2018 | 2018 | 2018 | 2018 | 2018 | 2018 | 2018 | 2018 | 2018 | 2018 | 2019 | 2019 |
|---|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | FEB | MAR | APR | МАҮ | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | JAN | FEB |
| A | Akorn, Inc. | 9 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

The FRISK® score is 96% accurate* in predicting the risk of corporate failure/bankruptcy over a 12-month horizon.

All FRISK® scores are recalculated every night for each subsequent 12-month period.

| | FDISK® Pr | obability of bankru | ptcy within 12 months |
|-------|-----------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| | IKISK | From | То |
| Best | 10 | 0.00% | 0.12% |
| | 9 | 0.12% | 0.27% |
| | 8 | 0.27% | 0.34% |
| | 7 | 0.34% | 0.55% |
| | 6 | 0.55% | 0.87% |
| | 5 | 0.87% | 1.40% |
| | 4 | 1.40% | 2.10% |
| | 3 | 2.10% | 4.00% |
| | 2 | 4.00% | 9.99% |
| Worst | 1 | 9.99% | 50.00% |

While the percentage risk of bankruptcy varies at each FRISK® score, 96% of public companies that eventually go bankrupt enter the FRISK® "red zone" prior to filing. A FRISK® score of 5 or less is an important warning sign.

^{*} FRISK® score accuracy of 96% is based on backtesting of U.S. public companies; results may vary by country.

THE FRISK® SCORE COMPONENTS

At the core of the CreditRiskMonitor process is our 96% accurate FRISK® score, which indicates a company's level of financial stress on a scale of 1 to 10, based on the probability of bankruptcy over a 12-month horizon. When available, the FRISK® score incorporates a number of powerful risk indicators including:

A "Merton" type model using stock market capitalization and volatility

Financial ratios, including those used in the Altman Z"-Score Model Bond agency ratings from Moody's, Fitch, DBRS, & Morningstar

Crowdsourced CreditRiskMonitor Usage Data

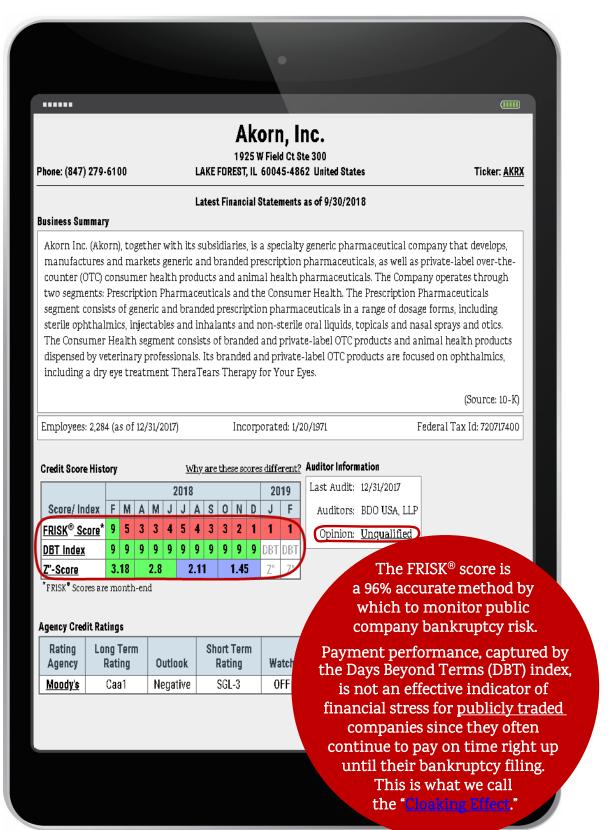
<u>Crowdsourcing</u> has enhanced the accuracy and timeliness of the FRISK® score. We collect and analyze data patterns from thousands of CreditRiskMonitor subscribers, including professionals from more than 35% of the Fortune 1000 and other large corporations worldwide.

The crowdsourcing advantage is even more powerful in our FRISK® score since many of the professionals who use our service are credit managers:

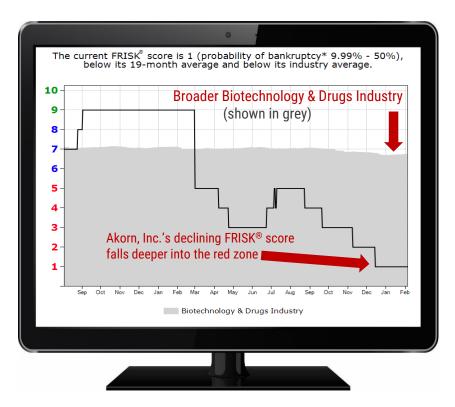
- Credit managers control one of the largest sources of working capital going into a company
- They are not held to the same "Fair Disclosure" restrictions that prevent nondisclosed information sharing on public companies
- Credit managers use a variety of non-public information sources such as their own company's management and sales representatives to be alerted to concerns in a public company's performance
- It is commonly known credit managers confidentially share information with other credit managers, thus collectively, their behavior helps to provide advanced insight to financial problems in public companies

Read more in Credit Research Foundation's quarterly journal article, "Assessing Public Company Financial Risk by Crowdsourcing the Research of Credit Professionals"

COMPANY REPORT DETAIL



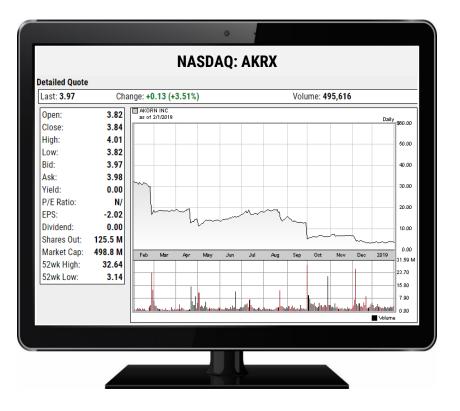
FRISK® DEEP DIVE



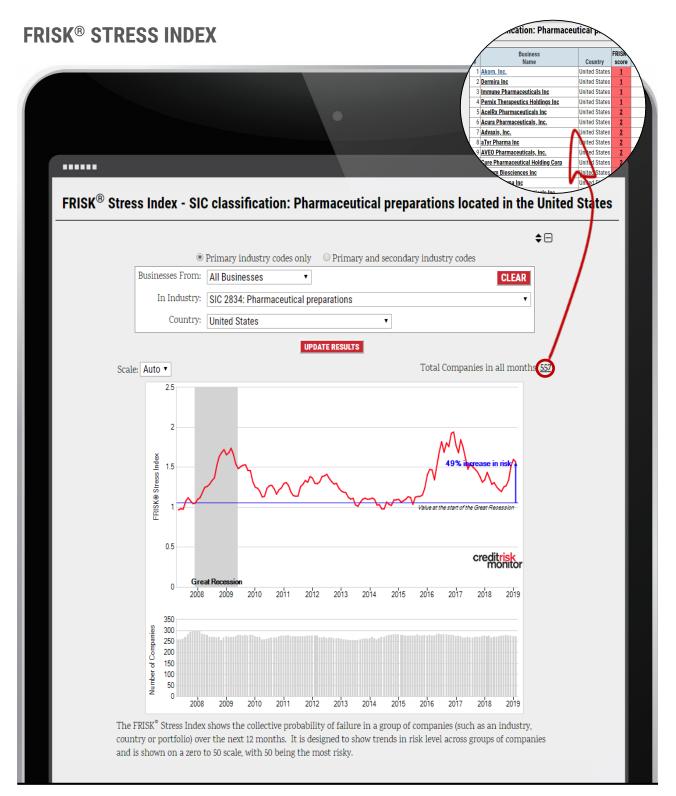
The FRISK® score relative to the broader Biotechnology & Drugs industry raises an additional red flag signaling heightened risk relative to peers, as well...

MAKING IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUIRED.

ADJUSTED MARKET CAP VOLATILITY

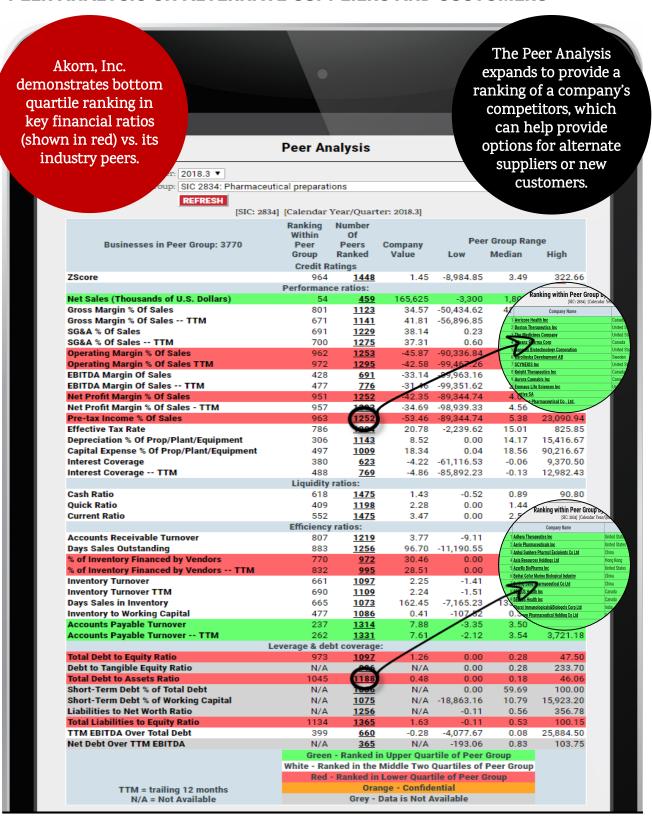


One of the inputs of the FRISK® score is a company's market cap volatility, adjusted for dividends, over the course of a year. Incorporating this information allows us to capture the "wisdom of markets" on a daily basis. This ensures our subscribers are getting the most up to date view of the risks they face since stocks tend to be more liquid and faster moving than bond prices and ratings.



The average probability of failure for SIC code 2834 (Pharmaceutical preparations) has increased 49% since 2007. Akorn is among the weakest names in the industry as evidenced by its FRISK® score of 1.

PEER ANALYSIS ON ALTERNATE SUPPLIERS AND CUSTOMERS



QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE RATIOS

| operating and net | | | | | |
|--|-------------------------------|--|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | | | | | |
| Perform | nance Ratios | Sequent of U.S. Dollars) | ial Quartei | rs | |
| | 3 mos | 3 mos | 3 mos | 3 mos | 3 mos |
| Period Ended | 9/30/2018 | 6/30/2018 | 3/31/2018 | 12/31/2017 | 9/30/2017 |
| Net Sales \$ | \$165,625 | \$190,944 | \$184,063 | \$186,057 | \$202,428 |
| % change | -13.26% | 3.74% | -1.07% | -8.09% | 1.65% |
| Gross Margin \$ | \$57,262 | \$81,279 | \$82,228 | \$83,085 | \$97,763 |
| % change | -29.55% | -1.15% | -1.03% | -15.01% | -4.87% |
| % of sales change as % of incremental sales | 34.57% n/m | 42.57% -13.79% | 44.67% n/m | 44.66% n/m | 48.30% -152.25% |
| SG&A \$ | \$63,173 | \$83,694 | \$62,983 | \$61,296 | \$53,404 |
| % change | -24.52% | 32.88% | 2.75% | 14.78% | -1.07% |
| % of sales | 38.14% | 43.83% | 34.22% | 32.94% | 26.38% |
| change as % of incremental sales | n/m | 300.99% | n/m | n/m | -17.55% |
| Operating margin \$ | (\$75,980) | (\$91,566) | (\$25,415) | (\$116,442) | \$8,760 |
| % change | 17.02% | -260.28% | 78.17% | -1,429.25% | -38.63% |
| % of sales | -45.87% | -47.95% | -13.81% | -62.58% | 4.33% |
| change as % of incremental sales | n/m | -961.36% | n/m | n/m | -167.70% |
| EBITDA \$ | (\$54,882) | (\$71,729) | (\$4,867) | (\$97,120) | \$30,539 |
| % change | 23.49% | -1,373.78% | 94.99% | -418.02% | -21.15% |
| % of sales | -33.14% | -37.57% | -2.64% | -52.20% | 15.09% |
| change as % of incremental sales | n/m (\$75.544) | -971.69% | n/m | n/m | -249.18% |
| EBIT \$ % change | (\$75,544) 17.79% | (\$91,890) -265.44% | (\$25,145) 78.78% | (\$118,501) -1,422.70% | \$8,959 -48.61% |
| % of sales | -45.61% | -48.12% | -13.66% | -63.69% | 4.43% |
| change as % of incremental sales | n/m | -969.99% | n/m | n/m | -257.76% |
| Pre-tax income \$ | (\$88,539) | (\$104,256) | (\$36,027) | (\$129,337) | (\$1,937) |
| % change | 15.08% | -189.38% | 72.14% | -6,577.18% | -128.70% |
| % of sales | -53.46% | -54.60% | -19.57% | -69.51% | -0.96% |
| change as % of incremental sales | n/m | -991.56% | n/m | n/m | -264.20% |
| Net income (loss) \$ | (\$70,140) | (\$87,984) | (\$28,747) | (\$65,217) | (\$2,897) |
| % change | 20.28% | -206.06% | 55.92% | -2,151.19% | -214.19% |
| % of sales | -42.35% | -46.08% | -15.62% | -35.05% | 1.43% |
| change as % of incremental sales | n/m | -860.88% | n/m | n/ | Negative |
| Tax expense \$ Effective tax rate | (\$18,399) | (\$16,272) | (\$7,280) | | _ |
| Depreciation expense \$ | 20.78% \$7,049 | 15.61% \$6,979 | 20.21% \$7,088 | inte | rest covera |
| % of sales | 4.26% | 3.66% | 3.85% | an | nd free cash |
| % of capital expenses | 46.43% | 51.43% | 31.73% | | low trends |
| % of PP&E, net (annualized) | 8.52% | 8.54% | 8.88% | \ | |
| Capital expenditures \$ | \$15,183 | \$13,571 | \$22,341 | 💲 sigr | nal financi |
| % change | 11.88% | -39.26% | 26.71% | -35. | distress |
| % of PP&E, net (annualized) | 18.34% | 16.60% | 27.99% | 23.08 | |
| % of working capital (annualized) | 12.13% | 10.07% | 16.07% | 12.39% | 15.03% |
| Interest coverage ratio | (4.22) | (5.80) | (0.45) | (8.96) | |
| % change | 27.19% | -1,196.78% | 95.01% | -419.78% | -22.69% |
| Free cash flow \$ % change | (\$20,650) -55.81% | (\$13,253) 75.43% | (\$53,932) -347.08% | \$21,828 -6.36% | \$23,311 400.77% |

QUARTERLY LEVERAGE RATIOS

Negative tangible net worth suggests that the company has exhausted all of its loanable collateral

Total liabilities to tangible net worth ratio signals heightened risk in the last 5 quarters

Leverage Ratios - Sequential Quarters

| (Thousands of | U.S. Dollars) | | | |
|--|---|---|--|--|
| 9/30/2018 | 6/30/2018 | 3/31/2018 | 12/31/2017 | 9/30/2017 |
| \$819,107 | \$817,803 | \$816,499 | \$815,195 | \$813,891 |
| 0.16% | 0.16% | 0.16% | 0.16% | 0.16% |
| \$652,288 | \$721,835 | \$810,516 | \$831,245 | \$887,378 |
| -9.63% | -10.94% | -2.49% | -6.33% | 0.24% |
| 1.26 | 1.13 | 1.01 | 0.98 | 0.92 |
| 10.83% | 12.47% | 2.72% | 6.92% | -0.08% |
| (\$47,481) | (\$22,092) | (\$11,942) | (\$23,549) | (\$94,629) |
| -114.92% | -84.99% | 49.29% | 75.11% | 21.00% |
| \$1,715,190 | \$1,786,556 | \$1,863,472 | \$1,909,511 | \$2,053,928 |
| -3.99% | -4.13% | -2.41% | -7.03% | 2.88% |
| 0.48 | 0.46 | 0.44 | 0.43 | 0.40 |
| 0.40 | 0.40 | V.TT | 0.73 | 0.40 |
| 4.33% | 4.47% | 2.65% | 7.72% | -2.63% |
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Total Liabilities to equity ratio is trending upwards & ranks in lower quartile of peer group

QUARTERLY LIQUIDITY RATIOS AND RATES OF RETURN

| | capi | Y-o-Y working tal declines roximately 20% | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Period Ended | 9/30/2018 | 6/30/2018 | 3/31/2018 | 12/31/2017 | 9/30/2017 |
| Current assets \$ | \$669,008 | \$702,754 | \$705,016 | \$730,151 | \$762,869 |
| % change | -4.80% | -0.32% | -3.44% | -4.29% | 8.38% |
| Current liabilities \$ | \$192,574 | \$178,231 | \$151,931 | \$171,089 | \$183,319 |
| % change | 8.05% | 17.31% | -11.20% | -6.67% | 42.26% |
| Working capital \$ | \$476,434 | \$524,523 | \$553,085 | \$559,062 | \$579,550 |
| % change | -9.17% | -5.16% | -1.07% | -3.54% | 0.79% |
| % of sales (annualized) | 71.91% | 68.68% | 75.12% | 75.12% | 71.57% |
| Cash \$ | \$275,346 | \$296,782 | \$309,377 | \$368,119 | \$345,380 |
| % change | -7.22% | -4.07% | -15.96% | 6.58% | 7.01% |
| Cash ratio | 1.43 | 1.67 | 2.04 | 2.15 | 1.88 |
| % change | -14.14% | -18.22% | -5.36% | 14.20% | -24.78% |
| Quick assets \$ | \$439,061 | \$484,100 | \$486,430 | \$509,502 | \$534,219 |
| % change | -9.30% | -0.48% | -4.53% | -4.63% | 6.77% |
| Quick ratio | 2.28 | 2.72 | 3.20 | 2.98 | 2.91 |
| % change | -16.06% | -15.17% | 7.51% | 2.19% | -24.95% |
| Current ratio | 3.47 | 3.94 | 4.64 | 4.27 | 4.16 |
| % change | -11.89% | -15.03% | 8.73% | 2.55% | -23.82% |
| Source: | 10-Q 11/6/2018 | 10-Q 8/1/2018 | 10-Q 5/2/2018 | 10-K 2/28/2018 | 10-Q 11/1/2017 |

| Unable to | | | 1 41 | 177 | (|
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| generate any positive returns | Rate of Retur | n - Sequent sands of U.S. Doll | T | S | |
| Period Ended | 3 mos 9/30/2018 | 3 mos 6/30/2018 | 3 mos 3/31/2018 | 3 mos 12/31/2017 | 3 mos 9/30/2017 |
| Return on equity | -9.72% | -10.86% | -3.46% | -7.35% | -0.33% |
| % change | 10.49% | -213.89% | 52.94% | -2,146.15% | -212.25% |
| Return on total assets | -4.01% | -4.82% | -1.52% | -3.29% | -0.14% |
| % change | 16.91% | -216.38% | 53.70% | -2,199.72% | -213.39% |
| Return on tangible assets | -6.82% | -8.45% | -2.74% | -6.13% | -0.28% |
| % change | 19.29% | -207.84% | 55.27% | -2,084.22% | -210.07% |
| Source: | 10-Q 11/6/2018 | 10-Q 8/1/2018 | 10-Q 5/2/2018 | 10-K 2/28/2018 | 10-Q 11/6/2018 |

YEAR-OVER-YEAR STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Negative cash from operating activities Statement of Cash Flows - Year-over-Year - Standardized - Year to Date (Thousands of U.S. Dollars) 9 mos 9 mos 9 mos 9 mos 9 mos Period Ended 9/30/2018 9/30/2017 9/30/2016 9/30/2015 9/30/2014 Reclassified 9/30/2015 Cash Flows from Operating Activities: Net income (\$186,871) \$40,667 \$151,788 (\$4,095)\$118,013 Depreciation/depletion 61,101 63,792 37,270 65,985 63,835 Deferred taxes (42,726)(3,407)(13,346)(27,579)(40,270)Non-cash Items 134,576 32.636 30,156 (24,847)(13,085)Changes in working capital (2,820)76,116 (138,962)122,677 33.537 Total cash from operating activities (36,740) 209,804 95,621 252,099 13,357 Cash Flows from Investing Activities: Capital expenditures (51.095)(77,738)(52,759)(24,763)(26,276)Other investing cash flow items, total 5,966 (871,022) 28 4.811 (24,449)Total cash from investing activities (51,067)(72,927)(46,793)(49,212)(897, 298)Cash Flows from Financing Activities: Financing cash flow items (5,569)(5,128)37,048 3,682 Issuance/retirement of stock, net 7,235 15,038 546 (16,109)11,917 Issuance/retirement of debt, net 962,608 (10)(200,000)(7,838)Total cash from financing activities 7.235 (221,237)41,127 981,328 (5,033)Foreign exchange effects 496 193 (228)(99)(900)Net change in cash (93,740)144,608 (172,216)243,786 97,288 Net cash-beginning balance 369,889 200,772 346,266 70,679 34,178 Net cash-ending balance \$276,149 \$345,380 \$174,050 \$314,465 \$131,466 Supplemental Disclosures: Cash interest paid \$38,614 \$8,944 \$40,487 \$33,691 \$33,022 Cash taxes paid, supplemental \$9,667 \$44,155 \$103,103 (\$4,064)\$6,226 10-0 Source: 10-0 10-0 10-0 10-0 11/6/2018 11/1/2017 11/3/2016 6/2/2016 6/2/2016

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