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HIGH RISK REPORT CHINA ZHENGTONG AUTO SERVICES HOLDING LTD.

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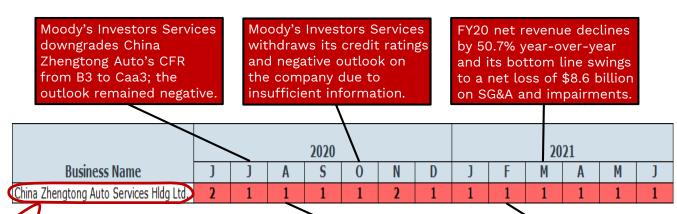


CreditRiskMonitor's assessment of China Zhengtong Auto Services Holding Ltd.'s ("China Zhengtong Auto") "high risk" status has been determined by a combination of factors:

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MONTHLY AVERAGE FRISK® SCORE

CreditRiskMonitor's proprietary FRISK® score signals that China Zhengtong Auto (HKG: 1728) has a 10 to 50 times greater risk of bankruptcy than the average public company.



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.

The company announced that it expected \$1.3mm losses due to impairment charges associated with goodwill and intangibles.

China Zhengtong Auto's market capitalization declined to \$281mm; total liabilities to market capitalization reached 16x.

FRISK® SCORE: PROBABILITY OF BANKRUPTCY WITHIN 12 MONTHS

| FRISK® | FROM | TO |
|--------|-------|--------|
| 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% |
| 1 | 9.99% | 50.00% |

While the 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 powerful risk indicators including:

Real-time subscriber crowdsourcing research patterns

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

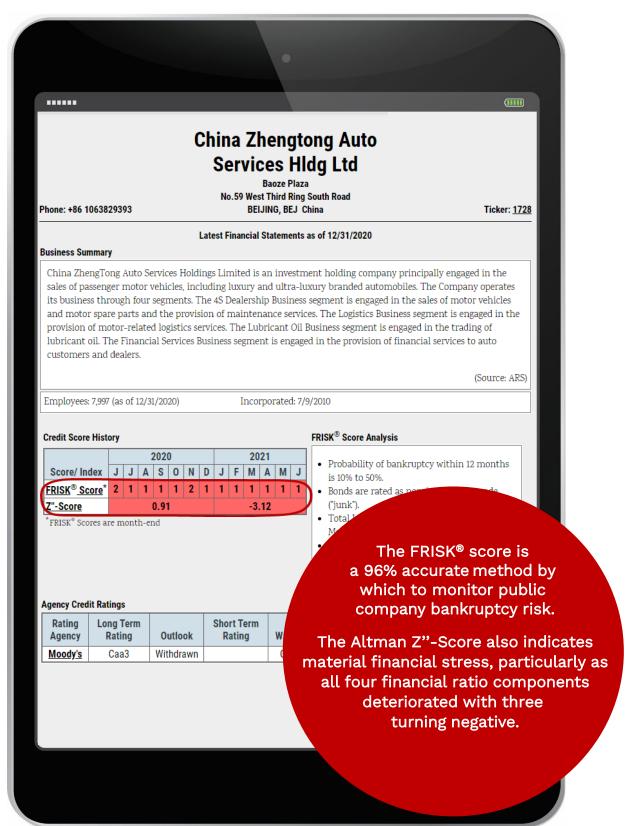
<u>Crowdsourcing</u> has enhanced the accuracy and timeliness of the FRISK® score. We collect and analyze data patterns from thousands of CreditRiskMonitor® subscribers, including professionals from more than 35% of the Fortune 1000 and other large corporations worldwide.

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

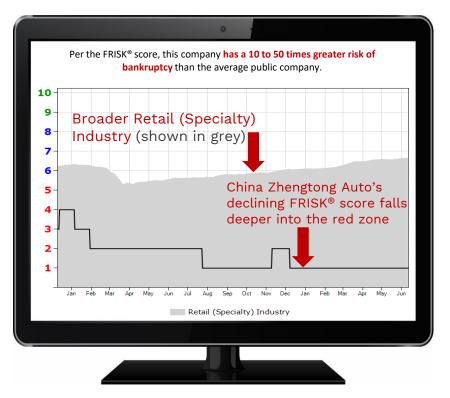
- Credit managers control one of the largest sources of working capital going into a company
- They are not held to the same "Fair Disclosure" restrictions that prevent non-disclosed information sharing on public companies
- Credit managers use a variety of non-public information sources such as their 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



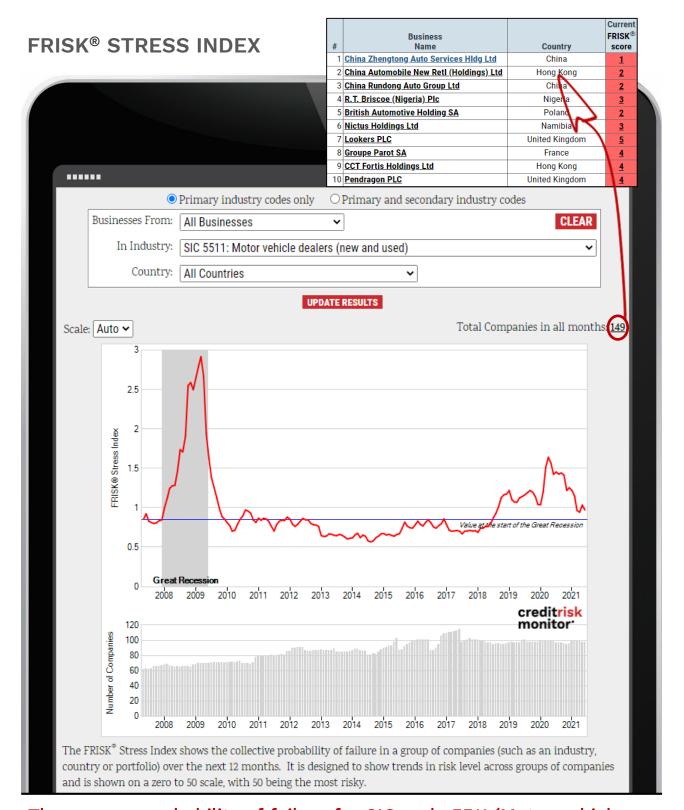
The FRISK® score relative to the broader Retail (Specialty) industry raises an additional red flag signaling heightened risk relative to peers, as well...

MAKING IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUIRED.

ADJUSTED MARKET CAP VOLATILITY

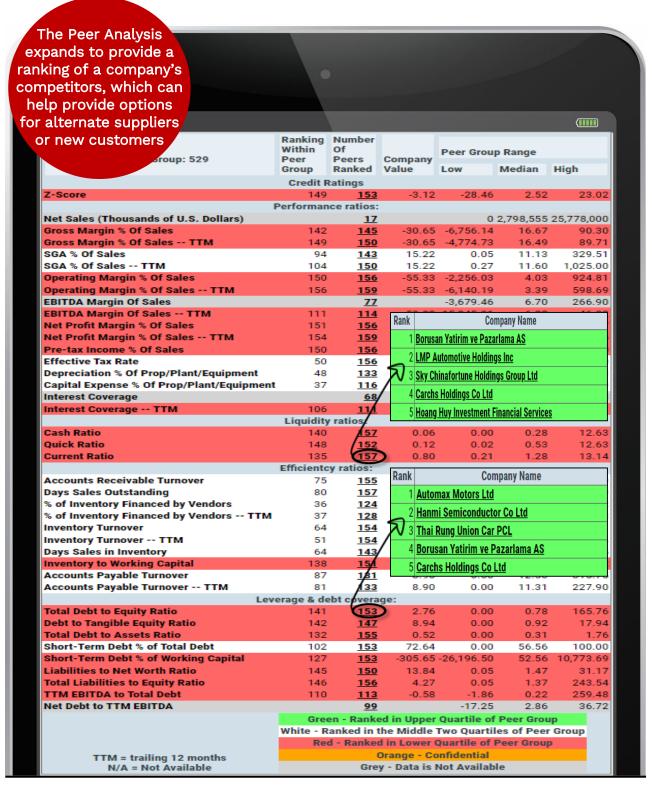


One of the inputs of the FRISK® score is a company's market cap volatility, adjusted for dividends, over the course of a year. Incorporating this information allows us to capture the "wisdom of markets" on a daily basis. This ensures our subscribers are getting the most up to date view of the risks they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



The average probability of failure for SIC code 5511 (Motor vehicle dealers (new and used)) reflects an industry with average bankruptcy risk. However, China Zhengton Auto is among the weakest names in the industry as evidenced by its FRISK® score of 1.

PEER ANALYSIS ON ALTERNATE SUPPLIERS AND CUSTOMERS



China Zhengtong Auto demonstrates bottom quartile ranking in key financial ratios (shown in red) versus its industry peers.

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE RATIOS

Declining Operating and interest pre-tax profits coverage ratio deteriorate into & cumulatively free cash flow steep losses deficit Performance Ratios - Annual (Thousands of Renminbi) 12 mos 12 mos 12 mos 12 mos 12 mos **Period Ended** 12/31/2020 12/31/2019 12/31/2018 12/31/2017 12/31/2016 **Net Sales** 16,880,923 34,258,232 37,455,510 35,474,325 31,519,255 % change -50.72% -8.54% 5.58% 12.55% 7.35% Gross Margin (5,173,447)3,403,705 4,486,827 3,768,346 2,736,334 % change -251.99% -24.14% 19.07% 37.72% 5.78% % of sales -30.65% 9.94% 11.98% 10.62% 8.68% change as % of incremental sales 36.27% 26.09% 6.93% n/mn/mSG&A 2,569,598 2,332,174 1,760,808 2,020,304 2,686,609 % change 10.18% -13.19% 52.58% -12.84% 14.85% % of sales 7.17% 15.22% 6.81% 4.96% 6.41% change as % of incremental sales 46.73% -6.56% 12.10% n/m n/m Operating margin (9,340,566) 1,800,887 2,762,965 2,425,754 1,247,670 % change 618.66% 34.82% 13.90% 94.42% -7.66% -55.33% 5.26% 6.84% 3.96% % of sales 7.38% change as % of incremental sales 17.02% 29.79% -4.80% n/m n/m **EBITDA** (8,445,801)2,662,715 3,019,336 2,995,767 1,466,766 % change -417.19% -11.81% 0.79% 104.24% -8.63% % of sales -50.03% 7.77% 8.06% 8 44% 4.65% change as % of incremental sales n/m n/m 1.19% 38.66% -6.42% FBIT (9,417,485)2,493,316 2,581,768 1,087,099 1,706,457 % change -651.87% -31.56% -3.43% 137.49% -14.12% % of sales -55.79% 4.98% 6.66% 7.28% 3.45% change as % of incremental sales n/m -4.46% 37.79% -8.28% n/m (10,395,426) 788,013 1,889,488 Pre-tax income 1,753,791 790,798 % change 1.419.19% -58.29% 7.74% 121.77% -14.21% % of sales -61.58% 2.30% 5.04% 4.94% 2.51% change as % of incremental sales n/m n/m 6.85% 24.35% -6.07% Net income (loss) (8,579,106)663.862 1.224.065 1.190.795 493.282 -1,392.30% -45.77% 2.79% -20.25% % change 141.40% % of sales -50.82% 1.94% 3.27% 3.36% 1.57% change as % of incremental sales 17.64% n/m n/m 1.68% -5.80% Tax expense (1,782,957)302,163 634,706 542,329 282,439 Effective tax rate 30.92% 17.15% 38.34% 33.59% 35.72% 761,106 310,392 Depreciation expense 782,251 332,137 278,158 % of sales 4.63% 2.22% 0.89% 0.88% 0.88% % of capital expenses 133.51% 47.56% 12.83% 30.02% 27.21% % of PP&E, net (annualized) 8.19% 7.65% 7.46% 7.63% 6.36% Capital expenditures 585,900 1,600,385 2,587,855 1,033,954 1,022,130 % change -63.39% -38.16% 150.29% 1.16% -1.75% % of PP&E, net (annualized) 16.08% 49.52% 24.85% 28.05% 6.13% % of working capital (annualized) 41.40% 135.35% 140.97% 165.26% -367.42% Interest coverage ratio (8.05)2.64 3.61 3.50 3.35 -26.84% -12.04% % change -404.38% 3.40% 4.49% Free cash flow (239,670)945,636 (1,811,513)(1,900,372)(374,944) % change -125.34% 152,20% 4.68% -406.84% -177.14% Source: ARS ARS ARS ARS ARS 4/29/2021 4/29/2021 4/29/2019 4/17/2018 4/12/2017

ANNUAL LEVERAGE RATIOS

Total debt to tangible Substantial net worth shifts decline in into the bottom shareholders' quartile of equity on the back industry peers of steep Leverage Ratios - Annual net losses (Thousands of Renminbi) od Ended 12/31/2019 12/31/2016 12/31/2020 12/31/2018 12/31/2017 Total debt 11,285,892 14,664,140 21,449,977 21,949,208 17,824,124 % change 57.93% 41.12% -31.64% -2.27% 23.14% Stockholders' equity 5,312,900 13,640,297 12,325,446 10,353,632 8,942,161 10.67% 19.04% 15.78% 2.91% % change -61.05% Total debt to equity ratio 2.76 1.57 1.78 1.72 1.26 % change 75.52% -11.70% 3.44% 36.40% 37.14% Tangible net worth 1,639,513 7,512,112 5,952,748 4,679,611 3,323,906 % change 26.20% 27.21% 40.79% 11.79% -78.18% Total debt to tangible net worth 3.40 8.94 2.86 3.69 3.81 % change 213.24% -22.56% -3.20% 12.18% 26.25% Total assets 27,995,953 44,857,974 44,199,218 27,728,910 36,939,130 % change -37.59% 1.49% 19.65% 33.22% 17.10% Total debt to assets ratio 0.52 0.48 0.50 0.48 0.41 % change 9.54% -3.71% 2.92% 18.55% 20.52% Tangible assets 24,322,566 38,729,789 37,826,520 31,265,109 22,110,655 -37.20% 23.08% % change 2.39% 20.99% 41.40% Short-term debt 10,651,859 17,456,004 15,261,744 13,181,089 8,747,189 -38.98% 15.79% 54.79% % change 14.38% 50.69% Short-term debt % of total debt 72.64% 81.38% 69.53% 73.95% 77.51% % change -10.74% 17.04% -5.98% -4.59% 9.68% Short-term debt % of working capital -305.65% -1,036.95% 1,341.06% 815.48% -1,113.72% % change 70.52% -177.32% 64.45% 173.22% -227.54% Total liabilities 22,683,053 31,217,677 31,873,772 26,585,498 18,786,749 % change -27.34% 41.51% 25.33% -2.06% 19.89% Total liabilities to equity ratio 4.27 2.29 2.59 2.57 2.10 % change 86.55% -11.50% 0.71% 22.22% 21.78% Total liabilities to tangible net worth ratio 13.84 5.68 5.65 4.16 5.35 % change 232.93% -22.39% -5.75% 0.51% 12.11% Total debt to EBITDA ratio (annualized) 5.95 n/a 8.06 7.27 7.69 % change 10.82% 22.18% -22.67% 54.44% Source: ARS ARS ARS 4/29/2019 4/17/2018 4/12/2017

Total debt to
EBITDA increases
before turning
negative due to
EBITDA loss

ANNUAL LIQUIDITY RATIOS AND RATES OF RETURN

| Working capital turns into large deficit | • | ity Ratios - Journal of Renmi | | qu fa | cash and lick ratios all to five year low |
|---|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--|
| Period Ended | 12/31/2020 | 12/31/2019 | 12/31/2018 | 12/31/2017 | 12/31/2016 |
| Current assets | 13,955,163 | 24,135,613 | 24,939,856 | 22,555,302 | 14,593,017 |
| % change | -42.18% | -3.22% | 10.57% | 54.56% | 17.66% |
| % of short-term debt | 131.01% | 138.27% | 163.41% | 171.12% | 166.83% |
| Current liabilities | 17,440,187 | 25,819,015 | 23,801,817 | 20,938,939 | 15,378,418 |
| % change | -32.45% | 8.48% | 13.67% | 36.16% | 30.81% |
| Working capital | (3,485,024) | (1,683,402) | 1,138,039 | 1,616,363 | (785,401) |
| % change | -107.02% | -247.92% | -29.59% | 305.80% | -221.36% |
| % of sales (annualized) | -20.64% | -4.91% | 3.04% | 4.56% | -2.49% |
| Cash | 1,088,299 | 2,463,329 | 3,699,910 | 3,553,220 | 1,625,128 |
| % change | -55.82% | -33.42% | 4.13% | 118.64% | 1.63% |
| % of short-term debt | 10.22% | 14.11% | 24.24% | 26.96% | 18.58% |
| Cash ratio | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.17 | 0.11 |
| % change | -34.59% | -38.61% | -8.43% | 60.55% | -22.28% |
| Quick assets | 2,141,981 | 3,898,157 | 4,770,014 | 4,506,012 | 2,338,616 |
| % change | -45.05% | -18.28% | 5.86% | 92.68% | 9.93% |
| % of sho <u>r</u> t-term debt | 20.11% | 22.33% | 31.25% | 34.19% | 26.74% |
| Quick ratio | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.22 | 0.15 |
| % change | -18.68% | -24.65% | -6.88% | 41.49% | -15.97% |
| Current ratio | 0.80 | 0.93 | 1.05 | 1.08 | 0.95 |
| % change | -14.40% | -10.78% | -2.73% | 13.52% | -10.06% |
| Source: | ARS 4/29/2021 | ARS 5/13/2020 | ARS 4/29/2019 | ARS 4/17/2018 | ARS 4/12/2017 |

| OA trends | | | | 4 7 7 | | |
|-------------------------------|---|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| turn negative | Rate of Return - Annual (Thousands of Renminbi) | | | | | |
| Period Ended | 12 mos 12/31/2020 | 12 mos 12/31/2019 | 12 mos 12/31/2018 | 12 mos 12/31/2017 | 12 mos 12/31/2016 | |
| Return on equity | -62.90% | 5.39% | 11.82% | 13.32% | 5.68% | |
| % change | -1,267.73% | -54.44% | -11.22% | 134.58% | -23.85% | |
| Return on net tangible equity | -114.20% | 11.15% | 26.16% | 35.83% | 16.59% | |
| % change | -1,124.05% | -57.37% | -26.99% | 115.95% | -33.08% | |
| Return on total assets | -24.77% | 1.42% | 3.00% | 3.79% | 1.94% | |
| % change | -1,841.87% | -52.55% | -20.88% | 95.74% | -29.55% | |
| Return on tangible assets | -28.11% | 1.64% | 3.53% | 4.62% | 2.49% | |
| % change | -1,814.41% | -53.55% | -23.61% | 85.72% | -32.59% | |
| Source: | ARS 4/29/2021 | ARS 4/29/2021 | ARS 4/29/2019 | ARS 4/17/2018 | ARS 4/12/2017 | |

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Net loss Net cash and decline ending in cash from decreases to operating multi-year Statement of Cash Flows - Annual - Standardized activities low (Thousands of Renminbi) 12 mos 12 mos 12 mos 12 mos 12 mos Period Ended 12/31/2020 12/31/2019 12/31/2018 12/31/2017 12/31/2016 Cash Flows from Operating Activities: Net income 1,163,064 790,798 (10,362,948)1,889,488 1,753,791 Depreciation/depletion 782,251 761,106 332,137 310,392 278,158 Amortization 195,152 193,883 101,509 189,433 103,607 Non-cash Items 3,411,043 570,635 1,258,657 1,171,975 727,576 Changes in working capital 6,326,451 (831,958)(2,811,141) (3,761,784) (1,093,914) Total cash from operating activities 346,230 2,546,021 776,342 (866,418)647,186 Cash Flows from Investing Activities: Capital expenditures (585,900)(1,600,385)(2,587,855)(1,033,954)(1,022,130)Other investing cash flow items, total 608,314 631,104 (411,780)(820,497)244,361 Total cash from investing activities 22,414 (969,281) (2,999,635)(1,854,451) (777,769) Cash Flows from Financing Activities:

(1,113,149)

236,850

(482,967)

(16,238)

(1,359,266)

(1,006,860)

1,497,400

490,540

1,250,599

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ARS

4/29/2021

173,844

0

(1,189,927)

(522,144)

1,413,670

(2,697,003)

(2,995,404)

(1,413,995)

2,911,395

1,162,867

KPMG

Unqualified

ARS

5/13/2020

227,445

1,497,400

4,669

175,456

(497,317)

1,252,693

1,474,230

2,405,062

13,406

195,175

2,716,220

2,911,395

984,189

312,452

KPMG

Unqualified

ARS

4/29/2019

(2,032,912)

(193,215)

324,114

5,719,608

3,817,595

1,091,092

1,625,128

2,716,220

785,864

288,400

KPMG

Unqualified

ARS

4/17/2018

(5,634)

(857,404)

(187,209)

1,191,795

147,182

9,412

26,011

1,599,117

1,625,128

512,730

185,100

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Financing cash flow items

Total cash dividends paid

Foreign exchange effects

Net cash-beginning balance

Net cash-ending balance

Supplemental Disclosures: Cash interest paid

Cash taxes paid, supplemental

Net change in cash

Auditor/Opinion:

Source:

Issuance/retirement of stock, net

Issuance/retirement of debt, net

Total cash from financing activities

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CreditRiskMonitor's High Risk Reports feature companies that are exhibiting a significantly high level of financial distress, as indicated by our proprietary FRISK® score.

The ultimate goal of the High Risk Report series is two-part: provide an early warning for those doing business with an increasingly distressed company and inform of the many signals that should be examined when assessing financial risks.

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