

BlackRock Investment Stewardship

Q3 2022 Stewardship Statistics Report

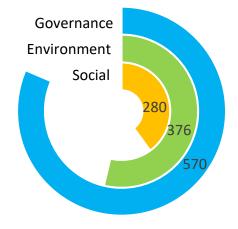


Key Takeaways

BlackRock Investment Stewardship (BIS) is an asset management firm with more than \$10 trillion AUM (2021). BIS published its quarterly statistics in November 2022 outlining its engagement and voting activity for the third quarter of 2022. BIS had a total of 653 global engagements with 588 unique companies during this period. A breakdown of the engagements by theme and priorities are provided below.

Engagement Priority	Number of engagements
Board quality and effectiveness	355
Strategy, purpose and financial resilience	356
Incentives aligned with value creation	272
Climate and natural capital	376
Company impacts on people	280

Figure 1. Engagements by theme



of engagements, Q3 2022

Engagement Priorities Outlined

- Board quality & effectiveness Quality leadership is essential to performance. Board composition, effectiveness, diversity, and accountability are all important factors in Blackrock's engagements.
- Long-term strategy Blackrock looks for a purpose-driven, long-term strategy underpinned by sound capital management. This, in turn, should support financial resilience.
- Executive incentives Companies should align appropriate incentives to reward executives for delivering sustainable long-term value creation.
- Environmental Companies should have business plans with targets that advance the transition to a low-carbon economy. Managing natural capital dependencies and impacts through sustainable business practices is a key aspect of these plans.
- Social Blackrock believes that sound business practices create enduring value for key stakeholders employees, customers, suppliers, and communities.



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Voting Overview for Q3 2022

- BIS voted on **19,052** proposals globally, with **4,060** proposals voted in Americas
- It supported 21 out of 68, or 31% of shareholder proposals globally (excluding Japan)
- It did not support 14% of director elections globally
- New in 2022, BlackRock offers a service named "Voting Choice," in which certain institutional clients in separate account and institutional pooled vehicles have more choice in how their shares are voted

Figure 2. Number of companies where BIS <u>did not support</u> directors for core governance concerns (Globally)

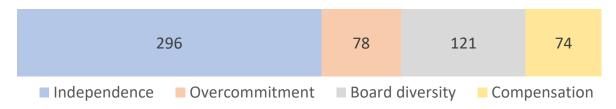
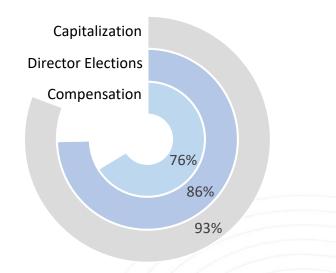
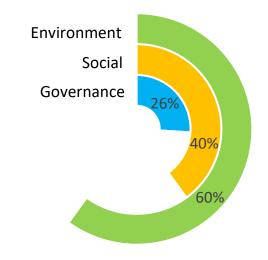


Figure 3. Management Proposals Support (Globally)



% of support for Management Proposals, Q3 2022

Figure 4. ESG Shareholder Proposal Support (Global excl. Japan)



% of ESG Shareholder Proposals supported (Pg 8, Q3 2022 Stewardship Statistics Report)



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