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Awards and Recognition by Third Parties in fiscal 2022

In recent years, there has been a growing interest in ESG investment which considers not only financial but also Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) elements as investment criteria. The Sumitomo Forestry Group has been included in the following ESG Indices as of March 2023.

DJSI (Dow Jones Sustainability Indices)

The most trusted index for companies' environmental and sustainability index developed by Dow Jones & Company in 1999. The index surveys over 3,400 companies included in the Dow Jones Global Index around the world on their economic, environmental, and societal aspects. The Dow Jones Sustainability World Index and the Dow Jones Sustainability Asia Pacific Index selected Sumitomo Forestry for inclusion as a brand in December 2022. This is the 15th time Sumitomo Forestry has been selected as a member for the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices series.

Member of

**Dow Jones
Sustainability Indices**

Powered by the S&P Global CSA

Received the Highest Valuation in S&P Global Corporation's Sustainability Rating

Sumitomo Forestry received the highest valuation "Gold Class" in sustainability rating of the S&P Global Inc., a global company responsible for evaluating social responsibility investment (SRI), for the fifth consecutive year. In 2023, we received a score of 83 out of 100, the highest in the housing construction sector. Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd. has been consecutively selected in the fourth years with the highest valuation "Gold Class" in sustainability rating of the S&P Global Corporation, a global company responsible for evaluating social responsibility investment (SRI). S&P Global Corporation evaluate initiatives in economic, environmental, and social aspects of 7,800 large-scale enterprises or more worldwide, and publishes the top 15% of these enterprises in each of 61 industries in the "Sustainability Yearbook 2023" as "Company with excellent sustainability". Among these, the top 1%, top 5% and top 10% of companies are selected as particularly excellent. A total of 84 Japanese companies were selected as company with excellent sustainability with just three of these, including Sumitomo Forestry, in the top 1%.

Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd.
Homebuilding

Top 1%
S&P Global ESG Score 2022

83 /100

As of February 7, 2023.
Position and Score are industry specific and reflect exclusion screening criteria. Learn more at [spglobal.com/esg/yearbook](https://www.spglobal.com/esg/yearbook)

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Sumitomo Forestry Makes Climate Change A List in CDP 2022

Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd. has been selected by "Climate Change A List" as an enterprise in the seventh consecutive year - which achieves highest rating from CDP, a NGO, making a sustainable society come true. Since the evaluation criteria were changed in 2016, only four Japanese enterprises, including Sumitomo Forestry, have been selected in the seventh consecutive year.

* CDP Forest: A- CDP Water: C



FTSE4Good Global Index

Evaluation of companies that fulfill international standards in environment, social, and governance aspects by FTSE Russell, a group company of London Stock Exchange. Sumitomo Forestry has been consecutively included in the FTSE4Good Global Index every year since 2004.



FTSE4Good

Used as a Constituent Company in all Five ESG Indices Selected by GPIF

FTSE Blossom Japan Index

An ESG index for Japanese stocks by FTSE Russell, Ltd. and selected by the Government Pension Investment Fund, Japan (GPIF) as one of the ESG indices in July 2017.



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FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index

It is one of ESG indices of FTSE Russell, which was chosen in March 2022 by the Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF), a selective ESG composite Index which is evaluated in terms of three perspectives including ESG evaluation by FTSE Russell, carbon intensity (greenhouse gas emissions per sales unit), and management attitude toward climate change risks and opportunities.



**FTSE Blossom
Japan Sector
Relative Index**

* FTSE Russell (registered trademark of FTSE International Limited and Frank Russell Company) hereby certifies that Sumitomo Forestry as a result of a third-party investigation, has met the requirements for inclusion in the FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index and has become a constituent of the index.

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> [FTSE Blossom Japan Index Series](#)

MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index

Index for Japanese stocks selected by the Government Pension Investment Fund, Japan (GPIF) as one of the ESG indices in July 2017. Companies with relatively excellent ESG with "MSCI Japan IMI top 700 stocks by market capitalization" as parent index evaluating companies within the industry.

**2023 CONSTITUENT MSCIジャパン
ESGセレクト・リーダーズ指数**

MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index (WIN)

Index for Japanese stocks selected by the Government Pension Investment Fund, Japan (GPIF) as one of the ESG indices in July 2017. Companies with relatively excellent ESG with "MSCI Japan IMI top 700 stocks by market capitalization" as parent index evaluating companies within the industry.

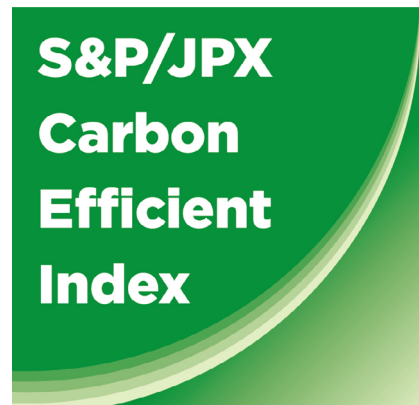
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女性活躍指数 (WIN)**

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S&P/JPX Carbon Efficient Index

Discloses the S&P/JPX Carbon Efficient Index, jointly developed as an environmental index by the Japan Exchange Group, the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and the S&P Dow Jones Index.

The Government Pension Investment Fund, Japan (GPIF) selected the S&P/JPX Carbon Efficient Index as a benchmark for ESG investment strategy from fiscal 2018.



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Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index

Bloomberg selected Sumitomo Forestry as part of the 2023 Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index (GEI) in January 2023. This is the third consecutive year that Sumitomo Forestry has been selected as a GEI index companies. GEI is an index that evaluates the transparency of corporate informational disclosure on gender as well as company's gender equality initiatives and performance. The GEI assessed our gender equality initiatives and selected Sumitomo Forestry as one of 485 companies with head offices in 45 countries and regions (15 of which are Japanese companies).



SOMPO Sustainability Index

The SOMPO Sustainability Index is an ESG evaluation by Sompo Asset Management Co., Ltd. Evaluated based on an environmental survey by Sompo Risk Management and a social and governance survey by IntegreX Inc., Sumitomo Forestry has been consecutively included in the SOMPO Sustainability Index since fiscal 2013.






Others

Other Evaluations and Awards

Award/Organiser	Recognition	Scope of Recognition
Forestry Agency	Sumitomo Forestry received an Excellence Award (Forestry Agency Director-General Award) in the "Forests × Decarbonization Challenge 2022." https://sfc.jp/information/news/2022/2022-05-24.html (in Japanese)	Sumitomo Forestry



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Ministry of the Environment	<p>Sumitomo Forestry was selected for the second consecutive year as an Environmentally Sustainable Company in the Environmentally Sustainable Company Division of the third ESG Finance Award Japan.</p> 	Sumitomo Forestry
Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry	<p>Sumitomo Forestry was recognized as a Certified Health and Productivity Management Organization 2023 (Large Enterprise Category).</p>  <p>https://sfc.jp/information/news/2023/2023-03-13.html (in Japanese)</p>	Sumitomo Forestry
Tokyo Metropolitan Government	<p>Sumitomo Forestry received an Encouragement Prize at the Wood City TOKYO Model Architecture Award.</p> <p>https://sfc.jp/information/news/2023/2023-02-17.html (in Japanese)</p>	Sumitomo Forestry
Japan Wood Design Association	<p>Sumitomo Forestry received the Japan Wood Design Award for the eighth consecutive year in 2022</p>  <p>https://sfc.jp/information/news/2022/2022-10-31.html (in Japanese)</p>	Sumitomo Forestry

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Japan Wood Design Association	Sumitomo Forestry took home the Encouragement Award (Review Committee Chair Award) at the Japan Wood Design Award 2022, which was announced in October 2022. > https://sfc.jp/information/news/2022/2022-12-08.html (in Japanese)	Sumitomo Forestry
Kids Design Association	“Home in a Home” received the 16th Kids Design Award.  > https://sfc.jp/information/news/2022/2022-08-25.html (in Japanese)	Sumitomo Forestry
Nikkei Inc.	Sumitomo Forestry received the Best Prize in the 71st Nikkei Advertising Awards. > https://sfc.jp/information/news/2022/2022-10-26.html (in Japanese)	Sumitomo Forestry
The Mainichi Newspapers Co., Ltd	Sumitomo Forestry received an Excellence Award at the 89th Mainichi Advertising Design Award. > https://sfc.jp/information/news/2022/2022-04-08.html (in Japanese)	Sumitomo Forestry
Japan Federation of Printing Industries and Sankei Shimbun Co., Ltd.	Sumitomo Forestry took home the Gold Prize and Special Prize at the 74th National Calendar Exhibition for its original 2023 calendar called “Forests of Sumitomo Forestry.” > https://sfc.jp/information/news/2022/2022-12-26.html (in Japanese)	Sumitomo Forestry
Mokuseiren	Toho Gakuen Munetsugu Hall, which was designed and constructed by Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd. in a joint venture (JV) with MAEDA CORPORATION, received the Mokuseiren Chairman's Award at the 25th Wood Utilization Excellent Facility Contest. > https://sfc.jp/information/news/2022/2022-05-13.html (in Japanese)	Sumitomo Forestry

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Oricon ME Inc.	<p>Sumitomo Forestry was selected as the top ranking of Oricon Customer Satisfaction for 2022, in two rankings of real estate brokerage, "Sold Condominiums," and "Sold Detached Houses."</p>  <p><2022年 オリコン顧客満足度調査 不動産仲介 売却 マンション/売却 戸建て 第1位></p> <p>https://sfc.jp/information/news/2022/2022-09-01.html (in Japanese)</p>	Sumitomo Forestry Home Service
work with Pride (Private Organization)	<p>Sumitomo Forestry received gold certification, the highest ranking, in the Pride Index 2022 which evaluates companies' engagement with the LGBTQ community.</p>  <p>https://sfc.jp/information/news/2022/2022-11-11-01.html (in Japanese)</p>	Sumitomo Forestry
Japan Vocational Ability Development Association	<p>Participants from Sumitomo Forestry received a Gold Medal, Silver Medal, Bronze Medal, and Fighting Spirit Award at the 60th National Skills Competition in the Carpentry Category and Plastering Category.</p> <p>https://sfc.jp/information/news/2022/2022-11-11-02.html (in Japanese)</p>	Sumitomo Forestry Home Engineering
National Association of Home Builders (U.S.)	<p>Sumitomo Forestry received the highest award in two categories of Multifamily Pillars of the Industry Awards 2021 sponsored by NAHB (National Association of Home Builders). It is the third consecutive year that Crescent Communities has received the NAHB award.</p> <p>https://sfc.jp/english/news/pdf/20220228_01.pdf</p>	Crescent

* Results for the period from January 2022 to March 13, 2023.



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Initiatives in Response to the Spread of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

The Sumitomo Forestry Group works to prioritize initiatives in response to the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in an effort to make customers, employees, and trade partners safe and secure.

Customer and Supplier Initiatives

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