Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organisation
Starbucks Corporation
1.2 What is/are the primary activity(ies) or product(s) of your organisation?
Palm Oil Grower
Processor and/or Trader
Consumer Goods Manufacturer
✓ Retailer
Bank and/or Investor
Social and/or Development NGO
Environmental and/or Conservation NGO
Affiliate
1.3 Membership number
3-0086-16-000-00
1.4 Membership category
Retailers
1.5 Membership sector
Ordinary

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Retailers

1.	Operational	Profile
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1.1 Please state your company's main activity within the palm oil supply chain	
Retail - with own brand products	
Retail - without own brand products	
Food service providers	
Retail wholesalers	
Other	
Other	
 Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Consumption Information in Section 2 - Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Consumption - is a manda ACOP. This includes volume data on palm oil and palm oil products consumed, to enable the RSI calculate uptake on a member, sector and total level. ACOP reports without reported volume data incomplete and will not be accepted. Please list down all operations and subsidiaries using palm oil that are owned and/or manaincluding those under Group Membership Fully owned, company-operated stores In which markets does your company retail goods with palm oil and oil palm products? 	PO to accurately will be considered
Austria ,Canada ,China ,Japan ,Switzerland ,United Kingdom ,United States	
2.2.5 Total volume of all palm oil and palm oil products (palm-content only) used in your comp products in the year:	any's own-brand
Description	Tonnes
Total volume of crude/refined palm oil (tonnes)	3058.39
Total volume of crude/refined palm kernel oil (tonnes)	1130.57
Total volume of palm kernel expeller (tonnes)	0.0
Total volume of palm oil/palm kernel oil derivatives and fractions (tonnes)	559.95
Total	4748.91

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2.2.6 Please estimate the percentage of derivatives and fractions (reported in Question RT.2.2.4) derived from palm oil or from palm kernel oil. The default split for volumes is assumed to be 80% palm oil-based derivatives and 20% palm kernel oil-based derivatives.

Description	Percentage
Palm oil-based derivatives and fractions	80.0
Palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions	20.0

2.3 Volume of RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products (palm-content only) used in your company's own brand products in the year (tonnes):

Description	Crude/Refined Palm Oil (CSPO)	Crude/Refined Palm Kernel Oil (CSPKO)	Palm Kernel Expeller (CSPKE)	Certified Derivatives and Fractions
RSPO Credits from Mill / Crusher	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
RSPO Credits from Independent Smallholder	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mass Balance (MB)	1566.97	781.49	0.0	222.67
Segregated (SG)	93.2	5.53	0.0	5.15
Identity Preserved (IP)	44.28	0.21	0.0	0.0
Total	1704.45	787.23	0.0	227.82

2.3.1 Please estimate the percentage of RSPO-certified derivatives and fractions (reported in Question RT.2.3) derived from RSPO-certified palm oil or from RSPO-certified palm kernel oil. The default split for volumes is assumed to be 80% palm oil-based derivatives and 20% palm kernel oil-based derivatives.

Description	Percentage
Certified Palm oil-based derivatives and fractions	80.0
Certified Palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions	20.0

2.4 According to the volume information you have provided in Question 2.2 and Question 2.3, your company's certified palm oil and palm oil products uptake is:

57.27%

2.4.1 If your company has not reached 100% usage of sustainable palm oil through the four supply chain models (RSPO Credits, MB, SG or IP), do you have any plans to cover the gap using RSPO Credits?

Yes

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$2.5\ Please\ estimate\ the\ regional\ distribution\ of\ your\ company's\ RSPO\ certified\ palm\ oil\ and\ palm\ oil-products\ us\ age\ (as\ declared\ in\ Question\ RT.2.3)\ in\ the\ following\ countries/regions:$

Countries/Regions	Percentage
Europe	0.0
North America	0.0
Malaysia	0.0
Indonesia	0.0
China	0.0
India	0.0
Latin America	0.0
Africa	0.0
Rest of World	0.0

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3. TimeBound Plan

3.1 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil products in own-brand products

2014

3.1.1 If the previous target year for RT.3.1 has not been met, please explain why.

Low supply and demand of certified palm oil. We continue to work with our suppliers to meet this objective, especially in areas where the demand for certified palm oil is low (i.e. Asia)

3.2 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using 100% RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil products from any supply chain option in own-brand products.

2015

3.2.1 If the previous target year for RT.3.2 has not been met, please explain why.

Low supply and demand of certified palm oil. We continue to work with our suppliers to meet this objective, especially in areas where the demand for certified palm oil is low (i.e. Asia). Some markets started the process behind other company operated markets and have experienced significant challenges working with second tier suppliers to find availability of certified palm oil from physical supply chains.

3.3 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using 100% RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil products from physical supply chain options (Identity Preserved, Segregated and/or Mass Balance) in ownbrand products.

2020

3.3.1 If the previous target year for RT.3.3 has not been met, please explain why.

Low supply and demand of certified palm oil. We continue to work with our suppliers to meet this objective, especially in areas where the demand for certified palm oil is low (i.e. Asia). Some markets started the process behind other company operated markets and have experienced significant challenges working with second tier suppliers to find availability of certified palm oil from physical supply chains. We continue to make progress.

3.4 If the TimeBound Plan commitments declared above do not cover all countries in which the member operates, please explain why

Our policy covers all company-operated stores, globally.

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4. Trademark Use

4.1 Does your company use or plan to use the RSPO Trademark in own-brand products? No
100
4.3 Please explain why your company does not plan to use the RSPO Trademark in own-brand products
Challenging reputation of palm oil
Confusion among end-consumers
Costs of changing labels
Difficulty of applying for RSPO Trademark
Lack of customer demand
Limited label space
Low consumer awareness
Low usage of palm oil
Risk of supply disruption
✓ Others
Others

We sell fresh food and do not market specific ingredient attributes at point of sale except in very unique circumstances.

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5. Actions for Next Reporting Period

5.1 Please outline activities that your company will take in the coming year to promote the production or consumption of certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO)

Starbucks does not directly buy palm oil so we are constantly improving our communication with suppliers to ensure they are aware of our RSPO commitment and prepared to complete reporting each year. The 2019 report is the fourth time the data has been gathered through a third-party platform. We have seen improvements in accuracy year over year and will keep working with the third-party and our internal Sourcing organization to continue to make the process easier and achieve greater progress.

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Land Use

No

6. Shared Responsibility

The Board of Governors of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) approved new Shared Responsibility rules on 31 October 2019, requiring all members to share sustainability requirements and obligations. Reporting of Shared Responsibility indicators will be done through several channels, including ACOP. As the implementation of Shared Responsibility reporting is still on-going and in development, the Shared Responsibility section in ACOP is not yet final and may change in future ACOP cycles. For more information on Shared Responsibility, please go to https://rspo.org/news-and-events/news/what-are-the-new-shared-responsibility-rules or email the ACOP team at acop@rspo.org

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Labour & Labour Rights
6.1 Does your company have a publicly-available policy covering Labour & Labour Rights?
Yes
6.1.1 Does the policy cover:
No discrimination
Wage and working conditions
Freedom of association
✓ No child labour
✓ No harassment
▼ No forced or trafficked labour
Yes Ethical Conduct & Human Rights
6.2 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Ethical Conduct & Human Rights?
Yes
6.2.1 Does the policy cover:
Recruitment
▼ Contractors
✓ Contractors ✓ Sub-Contractors & Third-Party Contractors
Sub-Contractors & Third-Party Contractors 6.2.2 Has your company previously uploaded or linked its Ethical Conduct & Human Rights policy in previous ACO

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6.3 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Land Use?

Occupational Health & Safety
6.4 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Occupational Health & Safety?
Yes
6.4.1 Has your company previously uploaded or linked its Occupational Health & Safety policy in previous ACOP
reporting cycles?
Yes
Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG)
6.5 Does your company have a publicly-available policy covering Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG)?
Yes
(51 December 2015)
6.5.1 Does the policy cover:
✓ Identification and assessment of GHG ✓ Public reporting of GHG footprint
Public reporting of CHG footprint Monitored implementation plan to reduce or minimise CHG emissions
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6.5.2 Has your company previously uploaded or linked its Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas policy or report in previous ACOP reporting cycles?
Yes
Complaints & Grievances
6.6 Does your company have a Complaints & Grievances Mechanism?
Yes
6.6.1 Is your Complaints & Grievances mechanism in line with the RSPO's grievance mechanism? For details of the RSPO's grievance mechanism, please go to https://askrspo.force.com/Complaint/s/
Yes
Smallholders
6.7 Does your company support oil palm independent smallholder groups?
No
6.7.3 Do you have any future plans to support oil palm Independent Smallholders?
No
6.7.4 Please explain why you are not planning to support oil palm independent smallholders

As Starbucks does not purchase palm oil directly, our support of smallholders comes in the form of educating our suppliers and asking them to seek out sources. We do not have a separate plan to provide support.

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7. Challenges

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7.1 What significant obstacles or challenges has your company encountered in the promotion of certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO)? What efforts has your company taken to address these obstacles or challenges?
Awareness of RSPO in the market
Difficulties in the certification process
Certification of smallholders
Competition with non-RSPO members
High costs in achieving or adhering to certification
Human rights issues
Insufficient demand for RSPO-certified palm oil
Low usage of palm oil
Reputation of palm oil in the market
Reputation of RSPO in the market
Supply issues
Traceability issues
No challenges faced
▼ Others
Others
Starbucks biggest challenges has been in Japan and China. As we understand it, Starbucks is the only buyer in Japan asking our tier-2 suppliers to use mass balance or better palm oil and palm oil derivatives. There are many different product specifications involved and relatively low volume available since it is only for the Starbucks business. Starbucks Sourcing teams in both China and Japan continue the education process with suppliers. Perception is that palm oil in general is bad, and therefore, some are eliminating it from ingredient specifications all together instead of solving the root cause of the issues.
7.2 In addition to the actions already reported in this ACOP report, what other ways has your company supported the vision of the RSPO to transform markets to make sustainable palm oil the norm?
Engagement with business partners or consumers on the use of CSPO
Engagement with government agencies
Promotion of CSPO outside of RSPO venues such as trade workshops or industry associations
Promotion of physical CSPO
Providing funding or support for CSPO development efforts
Research & Development support
✓ Stakeholder engagement
No actions taken
✓ Others
Others
Starbucks local sourcing teams have significantly increased supplier education and understanding of palm oil issues and in some markets like Japan, where palm oil is used more widely, we have increased demand for RSPO certified palm oil and derivatives. Starbucks continues to invest in exploring opportunities to advance better social and environmental practices within the palm oil supply chain.
7.3 If your company has any other publicly-available reports or information regarding its palm oil-related policies and activities, please provide the links here

Starbucks & Sustainable Palm Oil: https://globalassets.starbucks.com/assets/0c1557af08a04ac1b45dd6bcc84c3c4b.pdf Ending Deforestation: https://globalassets.starbucks.com/assets/d2eef5b7e3df4b59817cb24880a0d44f.pdf

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