

## ANALYSIS OF BANKRUPTCY PREDICTION USING ALTMAN Z-SCORE METHOD IN COSMETIC SUBSECTOR COMPANIES IN 2020-2024

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**Abstract:** *This study aims to analyze the potential bankruptcy of cosmetics subsector companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange for the 2020-2024 period using the Altman Z-Score method. This study uses a descriptive quantitative method with secondary data in the form of annual financial reports of cosmetics subsector companies obtained from the Indonesia Stock Exchange, with an analytical tool in the form of the Altman Z-Score model to classify company conditions into healthy, gray area, and unhealthy categories. The results of the study indicate that most cosmetics subsector companies were in the healthy financial condition category during the study period. However, there were several companies that in certain years were in the gray area and unhealthy zone due to declining performance in profitability, liquidity, and efficiency of asset use. Fluctuations in the Z-Score value indicate financial risks that require more attention from company management. Theoretically, this study supports the use of the Altman Z-Score model as a relevant bankruptcy prediction tool for cosmetics subsector manufacturing companies in Indonesia, while practically the results of this study can be utilized by management and investors in strategic decision-making. The novelty of this research lies in the use of the latest post-pandemic financial data and the focus on the cosmetics subsector, which has been relatively limited in research using the Altman Z-Score model in Indonesia.*

**Keywords:** *Cosmetics, Bankruptcy, Altman Z-Score*

### INTRODUCTION

The cosmetics industry in Indonesia is experiencing rapid growth in line with increasing public awareness of self-care. Population growth and lifestyle changes make Indonesia a potential market for the cosmetics industry (Putri & Linggasari, 2024). Furthermore, the market value of the national cosmetics industry continues to increase year after year, supported by product innovation and increasing consumer demand.

The growth of the cosmetics industry is not always accompanied by stable financial performance for each company. Increased industry sales coincide with increasingly fierce competition between companies, both local and international brands (Azzahra et al., 2025). This condition leads to increased marketing and distribution costs, which can squeeze company profit margins (Ratsetyo & Febriana, 2025).

External factors such as inflation also impact company performance. General inflation is a sustained and persistent price increase that can reduce purchasing power and increase production costs (Rizani et al., 2023). As

a result, companies are more vulnerable to declining sales and profits. As reported by CNBC Indonesia, in 2021, cosmetics company PT Martina Berto (MBTO) experienced losses and even sold some of its assets to facilitate working capital, which was hampered by declining sales. This situation continued into 2022, when PT Mustika Ratu Tbk. (MRAT) also recorded sales losses due to increased operating costs. PT Mandom Indonesia (TCID) also suffered a loss of 124.74 billion rupiah in 2024. The company announced that rising promotional and distribution costs, and fluctuations in raw material prices were the main factors in the decline in profits (Amelia & Yasin, 2025). Companies in the cosmetics subsector have even experienced losses in some periods. This condition indicates potential financial difficulties, which can lead to bankruptcy if not addressed early (Pertiwi & Putri, 2021). Therefore, a method is needed to detect a company's financial condition early.

One method that can be used is the Altman Z-Score, a model that combines several financial ratios to predict a company's potential for bankruptcy (Rozi & Damayanti, 2022). This method, proposed by Altman (1968), has become the most popular method for predicting corporate bankruptcy or health, known as the Altman Z-Score (Tuzahri & Munandar, 2022). This method is considered to have a high level of accuracy in classifying a company's financial condition into safe zones, gray zones, and difficulty zones (Ridhawati & Suryantara, 2023).

The rapid growth of the cosmetics industry in Indonesia is experiencing increasingly fierce competition, requiring companies to maintain stable financial performance. However, the rise in profits and rising operating costs in some companies indicate potential financial difficulties that could lead to bankruptcy. Some companies have even gone bankrupt, such as PT Cattonindo Ariesta Tbk in 2023. This situation serves as an important warning for other companies to conduct early detection of bankruptcy risk.

Therefore, this study aims to analyze the financial condition of cosmetics subsector companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange for the 2020–2024 period using the Altman Z-Score method, classifying companies into safe zone, grey zone, and distress zone categories, and analyzing Z-Score value trends.

## THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK AND HYPOTHESES

### Understanding Bankruptcy

According to Hanafi (2016), a company is considered bankrupt if it experiences various types of financial pressures, ranging from short-term difficulties such as liquidity problems to serious problems such as insolvency, which occurs when a company's debts exceed its assets. Meanwhile, Sumolang & Mangindaan (2021) define bankruptcy as a condition in which a company fails to carry out its operational activities to generate profits.

### Causes of Bankruptcy

According to Kristanti (2019), the causes of corporate bankruptcy are divided into internal and external factors. Internal factors include the quality of human resources, products, technological capabilities, marketing strategies, and ineffective distribution. Meanwhile, external factors include socio-cultural conditions, macroeconomic conditions, technological developments, and legal aspects that can impact a company's financial performance.

### Understanding Altman Z-Score

The Altman Z-Score model is one of the most popular bankruptcy prediction approaches due to its ability to summarize a company's financial condition through a combination of five financial ratios (Lestari & Fajriah, 2023). This model uses the following formula:

$$Z = 1,2X_1 + 1,4X_2 + 3,3X_3 + 0,6X_4 + 1,0 X_5$$

Information:

Z = Indeks Altman Z-Score

X<sub>1</sub> = Working Capital / Total Assets

X<sub>2</sub> = Retained Earnings / Total Assets

X<sub>3</sub> = Earnings Before Interest and Taxes / Total Assets

X<sub>4</sub> = Market Value of Equity / Total Liabilities

$X5 = \text{Sales} / \text{Total Assets}$

Based on the ratios from the Altman Z-Score method above, an Z-Score criterion can be identified which can be seen in Table 1 below

Table 1. Criteria of Z-Score

| Assessment Standards | Interpretation |
|----------------------|----------------|
| $Z > 2,99$           | Safe Zone      |
| $1,81 < Z < 2,99$    | Grey Zone      |
| $Z < 1,81$           | Distress Zone  |

Source: Lestari & Fajriah (2023)

## RESEARCH METHODS

### Types and Objects of Research

Descriptive research is a type of research that systematically and accurately describes the characteristics, conditions, or phenomena being studied (Sugiyono, 2023). The type of research used in this study is descriptive research with a quantitative approach by examining secondary data obtained from the balance sheets and income statements of automotive and component sub-sector companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange for 2020-2024, sourced from the official websites of each company and the Indonesia Stock Exchange website [www.idx.co.id](http://www.idx.co.id).

### Population and Sample

The population in this study was all cosmetics sub-sector companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange from 2020 to 2024. This study used a purposive sampling method with the following criteria:

1. Cosmetics Sub-sector Companies actively listed on the IDX during the 2020-2024 period.
2. Cosmetics Sub-sector Companies that consistently published complete and audited financial reports during the 2020-2024 period.
3. Cosmetics Sub-sector Companies that consistently published complete and audited financial reports during the 2020-2024 period that did not use the rupiah currency.

Based on the criteria described above, out of 11 companies, 7 companies were used as research samples, namely as follows.

Table 2. Sample of Companies

| No. | Company Code | Company Name                   |
|-----|--------------|--------------------------------|
| 1   | KINO         | PT Kino Indonesia Tbk          |
| 2   | MBTO         | PT Martina Berto Tbk           |
| 3   | MRAT         | PT Mustika Ratu Tbk            |
| 4   | TCID         | PT Mandom Indonesia Tbk        |
| 5   | UCID         | PT Uni-Charm Indonesia Tbk     |
| 6   | UNVR         | PT Unilever Indonesia Tbk      |
| 7   | VICI         | PT Victoria Care Indonesia Tbk |

Source: Processed Data, 2026

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The following calculations are based on data obtained from the financial reports of 7 sample companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange for 2020-2024 using multiple discriminant analysis.

Table 3. Z-Score Value

| Stock Code | 2020   | 2021    | 2022    | 2023   | 2024   |
|------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| KINO       | 2,414  | 2,067   | 0,657   | 1,450  | 1,488  |
| MBTO       | -0,594 | - 0,428 | - 0,092 | -0,050 | 0,063  |
| MRAT       | 1,867  | 1,963   | 2,550   | 2,088  | 1,695  |
| TCID       | 3,881  | 3,592   | 3,938   | 3,840  | 3,025  |
| UCID       | 3,329  | 3,643   | 3,240   | 3,386  | 3,113  |
| UNVR       | 14,419 | 9,785   | 11,009  | 9,551  | 5,886  |
| VICI       | 6,364  | 11,246  | 8,114   | 14,421 | 12,989 |

Source: Secondary data processed, 2026

In 2020, 1 (one) company in the cosmetics subsector, namely PT Martina Berto Tbk, indicated bankruptcy distress zone. Meanwhile, 2 (two) companies were in the gray zone, namely PT Kino Indonesia Tbk and PT Mustika Ratu Tbk, 4 (four) companies in the cosmetics subsector were in a healthy financial condition safe zone, namely PT Mandom Indonesia Tbk, PT Uni-Charm Indonesia Tbk, PT Unilever Indonesia Tbk, and PT Victoria Care Indonesia Tbk.

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In 2022, 2 (two) companies in the cosmetics subsector were indicated as experiencing bankruptcy distress zone, namely PT Kino Indonesia Tbk and PT Martina Berto Tbk. Meanwhile, 1 (one) company, namely PT Mustika Ratu Tbk, is in the grey zone. The other 4 (four) companies, namely PT Mandom Indonesia Tbk, PT Uni-Chram Indonesia Tbk, PT Unilever Indonesia Tbk, and PT Victoria Care Indonesia Tbk, are in a healthy financial condition safe zone.

In 2023, 2 (two) companies in the cosmetics subsector were indicated as experiencing bankruptcy distress zone, namely PT Kino Indonesia Tbk and PT Martina Berto Tbk. Meanwhile, 1 (one) company, namely PT Mustika Ratu Tbk, is in the grey zone. The other 4 (four) companies, PT Mandom Indonesia Tbk, PT Uni-Chram Indonesia Tbk, PT Unilever Indonesia Tbk, and PT Victoria Care Indonesia Tbk, are in a healthy financial condition safe zone.

In 2024, 3 (three) companies in the cosmetics subsector were indicated to be in the distress zone, namely PT Kino Indonesia Tbk, PT Martina Berto Tbk, and PT Mustika Ratu Tbk. Meanwhile, 4 (four) other companies in the cosmetics subsector, namely PT Mandom Indonesia Tbk, PT Uni-Chram Tbk, PT Unilever Indonesia Tbk, and PT Victoria Care Indonesia Tbk are in a healthy financial condition safe zone.

After knowing the calculation and data analysis using the Altman Z-Score method, the average condition of the cosmetic subsector companies in 2020-2024 is obtained as follows.

Table 4. Bankruptcy Prediction Results for Cosmetic Companies

| Year | Financial Condition | Count of Companies | Average Conditions |
|------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 2020 | Safe Zone           | 4                  | Safe Zone          |
|      | Grey Zone           | 2                  |                    |
|      | Distress Zone       | 1                  |                    |
| 2021 | Safe Zone           | 4                  | Safe Zone          |
|      | Grey Zone           | 2                  |                    |
|      | Distress Zone       | 1                  |                    |
| 2022 | Safe Zone           | 4                  | Safe Zone          |
|      | Grey Zone           | 1                  |                    |
|      | Distress Zone       | 2                  |                    |
| 2023 | Safe Zone           | 4                  | Safe Zone          |
|      | Grey Zone           | 1                  |                    |
|      | Distress Zone       | 2                  |                    |
| 2024 | Safe Zone           | 4                  | Safe Zone          |
|      | Grey Zone           | 0                  |                    |
|      | Distress Zone       | 3                  |                    |

Source: Secondary data processed, 2026

Based on the classification results, a relatively consistent pattern of financial conditions is evident across several companies for five consecutive years, with PT Martina Berto Tbk being in the distress zone from 2020 to 2024. This condition indicates that the company is experiencing ongoing financial pressure and has a high level of bankruptcy risk, based on the Altman Z-Score method.

## CONCLUSION

Based on the analysis using the Altman Z-Score method for companies in the cosmetics subsector for the 2020-2024 period, the average company's financial condition is in the safe zone. However, there are differences between companies and an increasing number of companies in the distress zone. This indicates that the financial condition of companies in the cosmetics subsector varies significantly, depending on how efficiently the company operates and how it manages its funding sources and capital structure.

Based on the limitations of this study, the following recommendations are proposed: 1. Future research could extend the study period to obtain a picture of long-term financial condition trends. 2. Future research could use other analytical methods, such as conventional financial ratio analysis and other bankruptcy prediction models.

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