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## Methodology

Companies are ranked by total revenues for their respective fiscal years. Included in the survey are companies that are incorporated in the U.S. and operate in the U.S., and file financial statements with a government agency. This includes private companies and cooperatives that file a 10-K or a comparable financial statement with a government agency, and mutual insurance companies that file with state regulators. It also includes companies that file with a government agency but are owned by private companies, domestic or foreign, that do not file such financial statements. Excluded are private companies not filing with a government agency; companies incorporated outside the U.S.; and U.S. companies owned or controlled by other companies, domestic or foreign, that file with a government agency. Also excluded are companies that failed to report full financial statements for at least three quarters of the current fiscal year. The percent change calculations for revenue, net income, and earnings per share are based on data as originally reported. They are not restated for mergers, acquisitions, or accounting changes. The only changes to the prior years' data are for significant restatement due to reporting errors that require a company to file an amended 10-K.

## #469 General Cable Industry: Electronics, Electrical Equipment

Previous Rank: 396

Key financials	\$ millions	% change from 2008
Revenues	4,385.2	-29.6
Profits	108.7	-42.5
Assets	3,924.1	—
Stockholders' equity	1,270.2	—
Market value (3/26/2010)	1,419.8	—
<b>Profits as % of</b>		
Revenues		2.5
Assets		2.8
Stockholders' equity		8.6
<b>Earnings per share</b>		
2009 \$		2.06
% change from 2008		-41.8
1999-2009 annual growth rate %		8.0
<b>Total return to investors</b>		
2009		66.3
1999-2009 annual rate		15.3

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