

ABSTRACT

One of the essential elements needed in a company is capital. Without adequate capital, the company will find it difficult even to run its business properly. Errors in determining the capital structure will have a negative impact on the company, especially if the company uses larger debt. There will be an increase in financial risks, such as the company being unable to pay off debt and interest expenses.

The purpose of conducting this research is to determine the effect of company growth, business risk, board gender diversity, and profitability on company capital structure by using DER as a measuring tool for studies on private banking companies, BUMD and BUMN listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange for the 2017 period. -2021. The data used is secondary data obtained from financial report data taken from the official website of the Indonesia Stock Exchange and the company.

The population used in this study are banking companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange for the 2017-2021 period. In taking the sample using the purposive sampling technique, there were 40 companies and nine outlier data, so the total observations in this study totaled 191 observations. The data analysis method used is panel data regression analysis.

The results of the study simultaneously show that company growth, business risk, board gender diversity, and profitability have a significant effect on capital structure. While the study results partially show that company growth has a significant negative effect on capital structure, business risk has a non-significant negative effect, board gender diversity has a significant positive effect, and profitability has an insignificant positive effect on capital structure.

Based on the research results, company management is advised to increase the company's growth rate to obtain an optimal capital structure. Investors are expected to collect all information on companies that will be invested, and research can be used for additional information as material for consideration in checking the value of a company's capital structure to reduce risks that may occur.

Key Word: *board gender diversity, business risk, capital structure, company growth, and profitability*