# Belden Inc.

**BDC**

NYSE; manufacturing; SIC 3357, Drawing & Insulating of Nonferrous Wire; CIK 0000913142

**C**

**middle fifth of 255 graded peers in manufacturing**

rank 112 of 255; percentile 43.7; sampling error 3.0 points; lower is stronger

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**C, the tortoise**



## Scoreboard

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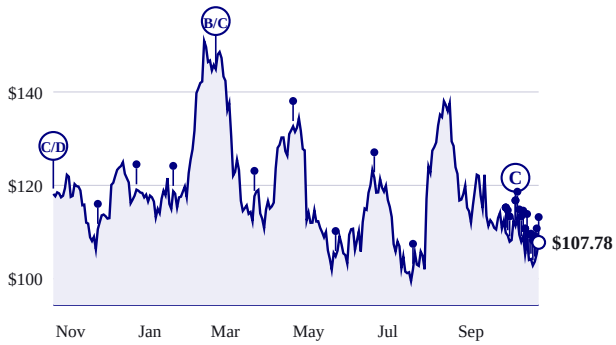
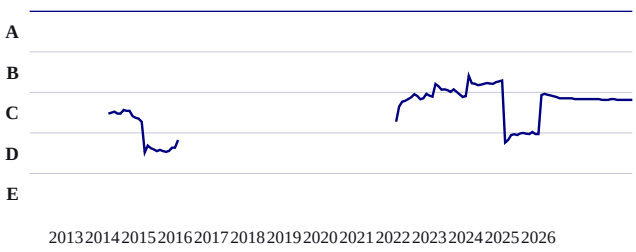
|---|---|
| **Profitability** | B/C<br>percentile 38.2 |
| **Solvency** | C/D<br>percentile 58.5 |
| **Growth and financing** | C<br>percentile 44.9 |
| **Reliability** | 0.94 AUC<br>filers with over $2.67B assets; 95% interval 0.88 to 0.97; 61 events, 2020 to 2025 |
| **Peer failure rate** | 0.52% a year<br>Item 1.03 bankruptcies, same asset band, 2012 to 2025 |
| **Size band** | over $2.67B assets<br>total assets $3.5B |
| **Standard universe** | inside<br>revenue above $1M and assets above $10M |
| **Warnings** | none triggered<br>not computable: distress |
| **Inputs computable** | 9 of 14 |
| **Graded from** | filings received through Feb 17, 2026<br>247 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Jul 30, 2026 |
| **Last close** | $107.60<br>2026-10-21; market equity $4.2B; no price enters the letter |

**Share price, twelve months to the rescan**




*Split-adjusted close. Each lollipop is a rescan and carries the letter held then.*

**Letter at every rescan, 2012 to 2026**




*Sector percentile at each rescan, stronger toward the top; facts filed by each date only.*

## Business, in the company's words

*opening of Item 1 of the 10-K received Feb 17, 2026*

Belden Inc. (the Company, us, we, or our) is a leading global supplier of complete connection solutions that unlock untold possibilities for our customers, their customers and the world. We advance ideas and technologies that enable a safer, smarter and more prosperous future. Throughout our 120-plus year history we have evolved as a company, but making connections remains our purpose. Our business is organized around two global businesses, Smart Infrastructure Solutions and Automation Solutions, both of which benefit from favorable secular trends which we expect to drive future growth. Each business represents a reportable segment.

## The fourteen inputs

*lower percentile is stronger; sleeves and inputs within a sleeve carry equal weight*

| Input | Value | Peer median | Percentile, 0 to 100 | Pct | Peers | Period end |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Profitability, sleeve percentile 38.2** | | | | | | |
| Gross profitability | 29.1% | 21.9% | | 21.9 | 275 | 2025-12-31 |
| Return on invested capital | not computable | 9.7% | | | | |

*pretax income must exceed the validity floor and imply a 0%-100% tax rate*

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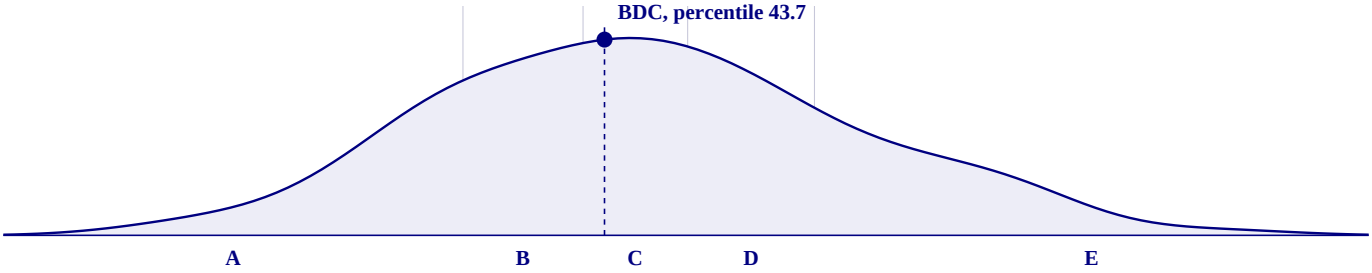
| Accruals ratio | (3.4%) | (3.6%) | 52.3 | 307 | 2025-12-31 |
| Gross margin stability, five years | 1.8 pts | 2.1 pts | 40.4 | 229 | 2025-12-31 |
| **Solvency, sleeve percentile 58.5** | | | | | |
| Twelve-month failure probability | not computable | 0.04% | | | |
| *liabilities and a nearby cover-page share count are required at 2026-06-28* | | | | | |
| Altman Z double-prime | not computable | 3.66 | | | |
| *one or more required annual facts are missing* | | | | | |
| Net debt to EBITDA | not computable | 1.78x | | | |
| *latest aligned inputs end 2016-12-31; latest annual assets end 2025-12-31* | | | | | |
| Interest coverage | not computable | 5.09x | | | |
| *latest aligned inputs end 2014-12-31; latest annual assets end 2025-12-31* | | | | | |
| Current ratio | 1.93x | 2.25x | 58.5 | 324 | 2025-12-31 |
| **Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 44.9** | | | | | |
| Revenue growth, three-year compound | 1.4% | 2.2% | 54.5 | 269 | 2025-12-31 |
| Free cash flow growth, three-year compound | 7.5% | 13.9% | 62.3 | 139 | 2025-12-31 |
| Reinvestment rate | 30.3% | 26.4% | 46.4 | 139 | 2025-12-31 |
| Asset growth, three years | 3.9% | 4.4% | 52.0 | 278 | 2025-12-31 |
| Net share issuance, one year | (3.8%) | 0.01% | 9.1 | 242 | 2026-02-11 |

## Among 255 peers

*manufacturing; letters are fifths of this list*




*Composite score of every graded peer, smoothed; vertical rules are the letter band edges; stronger to the left.*

| Rank | Company | Percentile | Letter | Warnings |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 107 | Fuel Tech, Inc. (FTEK) | 41.7 | B/C | |
| 108 | Friedman Industries Inc. (FRD) | 42.1 | B/C | |
| 109 | CPS Technologies (CPSH) | 42.5 | B/C | fortress balance sheet |
| 110 | Azenta, Inc. (AZTA) | 42.9 | B/C | late filer, fortress balance sheet |
| 111 | Honeywell International Inc. (HON) | 43.3 | C | |
| 112 | Belden Inc. (BDC) | 43.7 | C | |
| 113 | Apogee Enterprises, Inc. (APOG) | 44.1 | C | |
| 114 | Packaging Corp. OF America (PKG) | 44.5 | C | dilution |
| 115 | Terex Corp. (TEX) | 44.9 | C | dilution |
| 116 | Serve Robotics Inc. (SERV) | 45.3 | C | dilution |
| 117 | Huntington Ingalls Industries, Inc. (HII) | 45.7 | C | |

## What the price implies

*at the 2026-10-21 close; none of these enters the grade*

| Measure | Value | Peer median | Percentile |
|---|---|---|---|
| Twelve-month price change, skipping the latest month | (4.8%) | 13.7% | 30 |
| Distance from 52-week high | (28.6%) | (24.1%) | 43 |
| EBIT to enterprise value | 5.8% | 4.0% | 70 |
| Free cash flow yield | 5.2% | 3.4% | 70 |
| Book value to price | 0.33 | 0.35 | 48 |

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| Sales to price | 0.64 | 0.55 | 56 |
| Composite equity issuance, five years | (14.7%) | (9.5%) | 31 |
| Relative strength against the sector, log excess return | (0.18) | (0.00) | 30 |

## Diagnostics

*shown on every report; none enters the grade*

| Measure | Value |
|---|---|
| **Piotroski F-score 8 of 9, period end 2025-12-31** | |
| Return on assets above zero | pass |
| Operating cash flow above zero | pass |
| Return on assets improved | pass |
| Operating cash flow exceeds net income | pass |
| Long-term leverage fell | fail |
| Current ratio improved | pass |
| No new shares issued | pass |
| Gross margin improved | pass |
| Asset turnover improved | pass |
| **Cash, filings, liquidity** | |
| Cash and equivalents | $348.7M |
| Operating cash flow, four quarters | $376.0M |
| Months of runway | not finite |
| Days since last periodic filing | 84 (10-Q received Jul 30, 2026) |
| Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions | $44.2M |

## Sources

*every fact behind the inputs; each row links to its filing index on sec.gov*

| # | Concept | XBRL tag | Value | Period end | Received | Form | Accession |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $1.0B | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 2 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $3.5B | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 3 | operating income | us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss | $232.1M | 2016-12-31 | 2019-02-20 | 10-K | 19-000004 |
| 4 | pretax income | us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc... | $126.5M | 2016-12-31 | 2019-02-20 | 10-K | 19-000004 |
| 5 | income tax | us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit | -$1.2M | 2016-12-31 | 2019-02-20 | 10-K | 19-000004 |
| 6 | total debt | us-gaap:LongTermDebt | $1.6B | 2016-12-31 | 2017-02-17 | 10-K | 17-000005 |
| 7 | book equity | us-gaap:StockholdersEquity | $1.5B | 2016-12-31 | 2018-02-13 | 10-K | 18-000006 |
| 8 | cash | us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue | $848.1M | 2016-12-31 | 2019-02-20 | 10-K | 19-000004 |
| 9 | total debt | us-gaap:LongTermDebt | $1.7B | 2015-12-31 | 2017-02-17 | 10-K | 17-000005 |
| 10 | book equity | us-gaap:StockholdersEquity | $824.1M | 2015-12-31 | 2017-02-17 | 10-K | 17-000005 |
| 11 | cash | us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue | $216.8M | 2015-12-31 | 2019-02-20 | 10-K | 19-000004 |
| 12 | net income | us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss | $237.5M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 13 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $354.9M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 14 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $3.3B | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 15 | revenue | us-gaap:Revenues | $2.7B | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 16 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $922.2M | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 17 | revenue | us-gaap:Revenues | $2.5B | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 18 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $955.0M | 2023-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 19 | revenue | us-gaap:Revenues | $2.5B | 2023-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 20 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $916.3M | 2022-12-31 | 2025-02-13 | 10-K | 25-000005 |
| 21 | revenue | us-gaap:Revenues | $2.6B | 2022-12-31 | 2025-02-13 | 10-K | 25-000005 |
| 22 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $771.8M | 2021-12-31 | 2024-02-13 | 10-K | 24-000007 |
| 23 | revenue | us-gaap:Revenues | $2.3B | 2021-12-31 | 2024-02-13 | 10-K | 24-000007 |
| 24 | depreciation amortization | us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization | $145.6M | 2016-12-31 | 2019-02-20 | 10-K | 19-000004 |
| 25 | operating income | us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss | $163.1M | 2014-12-31 | 2017-02-17 | 10-K | 17-000005 |
| 26 | interest expense | us-gaap:InterestExpense | $82.2M | 2014-12-31 | 2015-02-23 | 10-K | 15-057344 |
| 27 | current assets | us-gaap:AssetsCurrent | $1.3B | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |

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| 28 | current liabilities | us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent | $697.5M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 29 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $136.2M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 30 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $352.1M | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 31 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $129.1M | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 32 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $319.6M | 2023-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 33 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $116.7M | 2023-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 34 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $281.3M | 2022-12-31 | 2025-02-13 | 10-K | 25-000005 |
| 35 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $105.1M | 2022-12-31 | 2025-02-13 | 10-K | 25-000005 |
| 36 | depreciation amortization | us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization | $129.4M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 37 | operating income | us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss | $315.7M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 38 | pretax income | us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc... | $266.9M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 39 | income tax | us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit | $29.3M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 40 | current assets | us-gaap:AssetsCurrent | $1.2B | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 41 | current liabilities | us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent | $622.7M | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 42 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $3.2B | 2023-12-31 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 43 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $3.2B | 2022-12-31 | 2025-02-13 | 10-K | 25-000005 |
| 44 | shares outstanding | dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding | 38,748,995 | 2026-02-11 | 2026-02-17 | 10-K | 26-000009 |
| 45 | shares outstanding | dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding | 40,269,390 | 2025-02-05 | 2025-02-13 | 10-K | 25-000005 |

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