# Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc.

**WMS**

NYSE; manufacturing; SIC 3086, Plastics Foam Products; CIK 0001604028

# B/C

**on the B/C boundary of 255 graded peers in manufacturing**

rank 97 of 255; percentile 37.8; sampling error 3.0 points; lower is stronger

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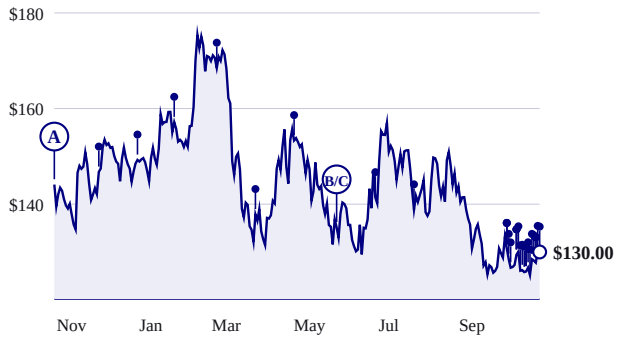
**B/C, the elk**



## Scoreboard

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|---|---|
| **Profitability** | B/C<br>percentile 38.2 |
| **Solvency** | C<br>percentile 44.5 |
| **Growth and financing** | C<br>percentile 52.3 |
| **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 $4.5B |
| **Standard universe** | inside<br>revenue above $1M and assets above $10M |
| **Warnings** | none triggered<br>not computable: distress |
| **Inputs computable** | 12 of 14 |
| **Graded from** | filings received through May 21, 2026<br>154 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Aug 6, 2026 |
| **Last close** | $129.84<br>2026-10-21; market equity $9.8B; 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 May 21, 2026*

Unless the context otherwise indicates or requires, as used in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, the terms "we," "our," "us," "ADS" and the "Company" refer to Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc. and its directly- and indirectly-owned subsidiaries as a combined entity, except where it is clear that the terms mean only Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc. exclusive of its subsidiaries. The term "Infiltrator" refers to Infiltrator Water Technologies, LLC, our wholly-owned subsidiary. ADS is the leading manufacturer of innovative water management solutions in the stormwater and onsite wastewater industries, providing superior drainage solutions to manage the world's most precious resource: water.

## The fourteen inputs

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

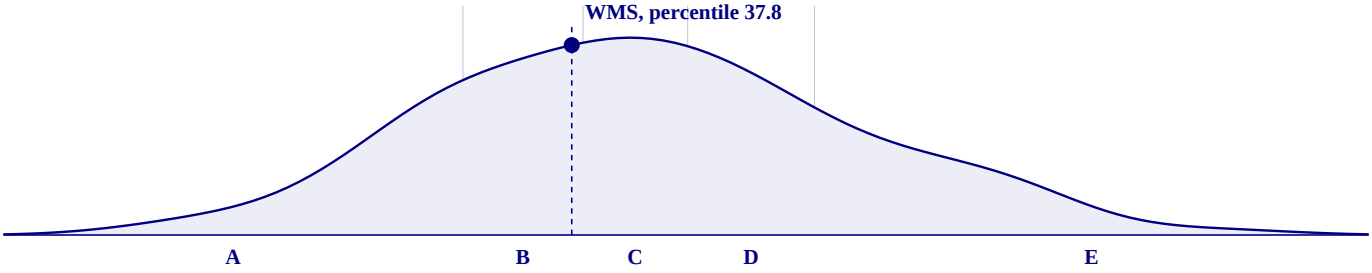
| Input | Value | Peer median | Percentile, 0 to 100 | Pct | Peers | Period end |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Profitability, sleeve percentile 38.2** | | | | | | |
| Gross profitability | 25.9% | 21.9% | | 31.0 | 275 | 2026-03-31 |
| Return on invested capital | 16.8% | 9.7% | | 25.3 | 100 | 2026-03-31 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Accruals ratio | (9.6%) | (3.6%) | 19.6 | 307 | 2026-03-31 |
| Gross margin stability, five years | 3.8 pts | 2.1 pts | 76.8 | 229 | 2026-03-31 |
| **Solvency, sleeve percentile 44.5** | | | | | |
| Twelve-month failure probability | not computable | 0.04% | | | |
| *four consecutive discrete net-income quarters are required; found 4* | | | | | |
| Altman Z double-prime | 4.09 | 3.66 | 37.6 | 243 | 2026-03-31 |
| Net debt to EBITDA | 1.82x | 1.78x | 53.3 | 121 | 2026-03-31 |
| Interest coverage | not computable | 5.09x | | | |
| *one or more required annual facts are missing* | | | | | |
| Current ratio | 2.42x | 2.25x | 42.4 | 324 | 2026-03-31 |
| **Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 52.3** | | | | | |
| Revenue growth, three-year compound | (0.2%) | 2.2% | 62.7 | 269 | 2026-03-31 |
| Free cash flow growth, three-year compound | 1.7% | 13.9% | 73.2 | 139 | 2026-03-31 |
| Reinvestment rate | (23.3%) | 26.4% | 79.7 | 139 | 2026-03-31 |
| Asset growth, three years | 15.8% | 4.4% | 16.2 | 278 | 2026-03-31 |
| Net share issuance, one year | (1.3%) | 0.01% | 29.9 | 242 | 2026-05-14 |

## 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 92 | Veeco Instruments Inc. (VECO) | 35.8 | B | |
| 93 | Parker-Hannifin Corp. (PH) | 36.2 | B | |
| 94 | Karat Packaging Inc. (KRT) | 36.6 | B | |
| 95 | Littelfuse Inc. (LFUS) | 37.0 | B | late filer |
| 96 | AZZ Inc. (AZZ) | 37.4 | B/C | |
| 97 | Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc. (WMS) | 37.8 | B/C | |
| 98 | United States Antimony Corp. (UAMY) | 38.2 | B/C | dilution, fortress balance sheet |
| 99 | Gibraltar Industries, Inc. (ROCK) | 38.6 | B/C | fortress balance sheet |
| 100 | Commercial Metals Co. (CMC) | 39.0 | B/C | |
| 101 | OIL States International, Inc. (OIS) | 39.4 | B/C | fortress balance sheet |
| 102 | Virco MFG Corporation (VIRC) | 39.8 | B/C | fortress balance sheet |

## 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 | (1.9%) | 13.7% | 32 |
| Distance from 52-week high | (25.9%) | (24.1%) | 46 |
| EBIT to enterprise value | 5.5% | 4.0% | 66 |
| Free cash flow yield | 5.8% | 3.4% | 77 |
| Book value to price | 0.18 | 0.35 | 22 |
| Sales to price | 0.31 | 0.55 | 26 |
| Composite equity issuance, five years | 2.8% | (9.5%) | 71 |

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| Relative strength against the sector, log excess return | (0.15) | (0.00) | 32 |

## Diagnostics

*shown on every report; none enters the grade*

| Measure | Value |
|---|---|
| **Piotroski F-score 5 of 9, period end 2026-03-31** | |
| Return on assets above zero | pass |
| Operating cash flow above zero | pass |
| Return on assets improved | fail |
| Operating cash flow exceeds net income | pass |
| Long-term leverage fell | fail |
| Current ratio improved | fail |
| No new shares issued | pass |
| Gross margin improved | pass |
| Asset turnover improved | fail |
| **Cash, filings, liquidity** | |
| Cash and equivalents | $162.3M |
| Operating cash flow, four quarters | $804.5M |
| Months of runway | not finite |
| Days since last periodic filing | 77 (10-Q received Aug 6, 2026) |
| Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions | $93.8M |

## 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 | $1.2B | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 2 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $4.5B | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 3 | operating income | us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss | $619.2M | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 4 | pretax income | us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc... | $559.8M | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 5 | income tax | us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit | $135.0M | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 6 | total debt | us-gaap:LongTermDebt | $1.6B | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 7 | book equity | us-gaap:StockholdersEquity | $1.9B | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 8 | cash | us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue | $223.0M | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 9 | total debt | us-gaap:LongTermDebt | $1.3B | 2025-03-31 | 2025-05-15 | 10-K | 25-000012 |
| 10 | book equity | us-gaap:StockholdersEquity | $1.5B | 2025-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 11 | cash | us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue | $463.3M | 2025-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 12 | net income | us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss | $426.5M | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 13 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $819.1M | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 14 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $3.7B | 2025-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 15 | revenue | us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA... | $3.1B | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 16 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $1.1B | 2025-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 17 | revenue | us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA... | $2.9B | 2025-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 18 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $1.1B | 2024-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 19 | revenue | us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA... | $2.9B | 2024-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 20 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $1.1B | 2023-03-31 | 2025-05-15 | 10-K | 25-000012 |
| 21 | revenue | us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA... | $3.1B | 2023-03-31 | 2025-05-15 | 10-K | 25-000012 |
| 22 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $800.4M | 2022-03-31 | 2024-05-16 | 10-K | 24-000011 |
| 23 | revenue | us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA... | $2.8B | 2022-03-31 | 2024-05-16 | 10-K | 24-000011 |
| 24 | current assets | us-gaap:AssetsCurrent | $1.2B | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 25 | current liabilities | us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent | $509.5M | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 26 | retained earnings | us-gaap:RetainedEarningsAccumulatedDeficit | $1.9B | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 27 | liabilities | us-gaap:Liabilities | $2.5B | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 28 | depreciation amortization | us-gaap:Depreciation | $154.4M | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 29 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $249.8M | 2026-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 30 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $581.5M | 2025-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |

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| 31 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $212.9M | 2025-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 32 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $717.9M | 2024-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 33 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $183.8M | 2024-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 34 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $707.8M | 2023-03-31 | 2025-05-15 | 10-K | 25-000012 |
| 35 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $166.9M | 2023-03-31 | 2025-05-15 | 10-K | 25-000012 |
| 36 | current assets | us-gaap:AssetsCurrent | $1.3B | 2025-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 37 | current liabilities | us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent | $398.4M | 2025-03-31 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 38 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $3.3B | 2024-03-31 | 2025-05-15 | 10-K | 25-000012 |
| 39 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $2.9B | 2023-03-31 | 2024-05-16 | 10-K | 24-000011 |
| 40 | shares outstanding | dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding | 76,595,708 | 2026-05-14 | 2026-05-21 | 10-K | 26-000019 |
| 41 | shares outstanding | dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding | 77,585,137 | 2025-05-08 | 2025-05-15 | 10-K | 25-000012 |

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