# Culp Inc.

**CULP**

Nasdaq; consumer nondurables; SIC 2211, Broadwoven Fabric Mills, Cotton; CIK 0000723603

**E**

**weakest fifth of 124 graded peers in consumer nondurables**

rank 117 of 124; percentile 94.3; sampling error 3.8 points; lower is stronger

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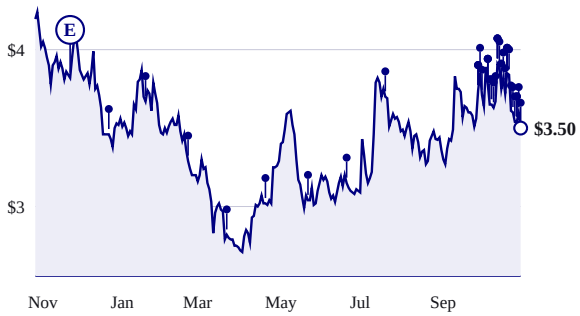
**E, the bear**



## Scoreboard

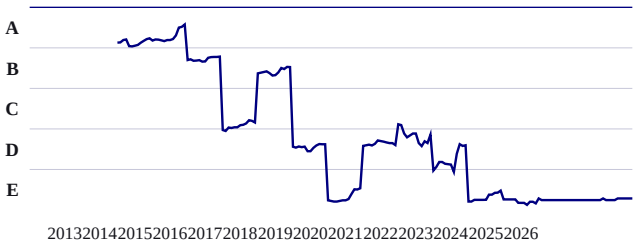
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| **Profitability** | D<br>percentile 70.2 |
| **Solvency** | C/D<br>percentile 62.6 |
| **Growth and financing** | D<br>percentile 75.5 |
| **Reliability** | 0.83 AUC<br>filers with $12.5M to $120M assets; 95% interval 0.79 to 0.86; 201 events, 2020 to 2025 |
| **Peer failure rate** | 1.07% a year<br>Item 1.03 bankruptcies, same asset band, 2012 to 2025 |
| **Size band** | $12.5M to $120M assets<br>total assets $112.0M |
| **Standard universe** | inside<br>revenue above $1M and assets above $10M |
| **Warnings** | none triggered; fortress balance sheet<br>not computable: distress |
| **Inputs computable** | 9 of 14 |
| **Graded from** | filings received through Jul 17, 2026<br>104 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Sep 11, 2026 |
| **Last close** | $3.52<br>2026-10-28; market equity $44.8M; 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 Jul 17, 2026*

-Fiscal 2025 Restructuring." Additionally, at the end of fiscal 2025, we initiated a strategic transformation of our operating model through the combination of our two operating divisions into a single, unified business designed to optimize operational agility, further streamline costs and processes, and increase responsiveness to customer needs and market trends. We completed this business integration in fiscal 2026. See "Item 1.

## 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 70.2** | | | | | | |
| Gross profitability | 22.5% | 29.8% | | 58.0 | 144 | 2026-05-03 |
| Return on invested capital | not computable | 5.6% | | | | |
| *latest aligned inputs end 2015-05-03; latest annual assets end 2026-05-03* | | | | | | |
| Accruals ratio | (0.7%) | (5.1%) | | 80.4 | 149 | 2026-05-03 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gross margin stability, five years | 3.0 pts | 1.9 pts | | 72.2 | 116 | 2026-05-03 |
| **Solvency, sleeve percentile 62.6** | | | | | | |
| Twelve-month failure probability | not computable | 0.04% | | | | |
| *four consecutive discrete net-income quarters are required; found 4* | | | | | | |
| Altman Z double-prime | 2.49 | 3.11 | | 52.5 | 119 | 2026-05-03 |
| Net debt to EBITDA | not computable | 2.54x | | | | |
| *latest aligned inputs end 2015-05-03; latest annual assets end 2026-05-03* | | | | | | |
| Interest coverage | (9.47x) | 2.51x | | 90.5 | 43 | 2026-05-03 |
| Current ratio | 1.79x | 1.81x | | 44.7 | 153 | 2026-05-03 |
| **Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 75.5** | | | | | | |
| Revenue growth, three-year compound | (4.7%) | 0.2% | | 75.0 | 133 | 2026-05-03 |
| Free cash flow growth, three-year compound | not computable | 14.9% | | | | |
| *current FCF must be positive and base FCF must exceed $100,000* | | | | | | |
| Reinvestment rate | not computable | 11.0% | | | | |
| *pretax income must exceed the validity floor and imply a 0%-100% tax rate* | | | | | | |
| Asset growth, three years | (9.7%) | 0.2% | | 85.7 | 134 | 2026-05-03 |
| Net share issuance, one year | 0.8% | 0.03% | | 65.7 | 103 | 2026-07-15 |

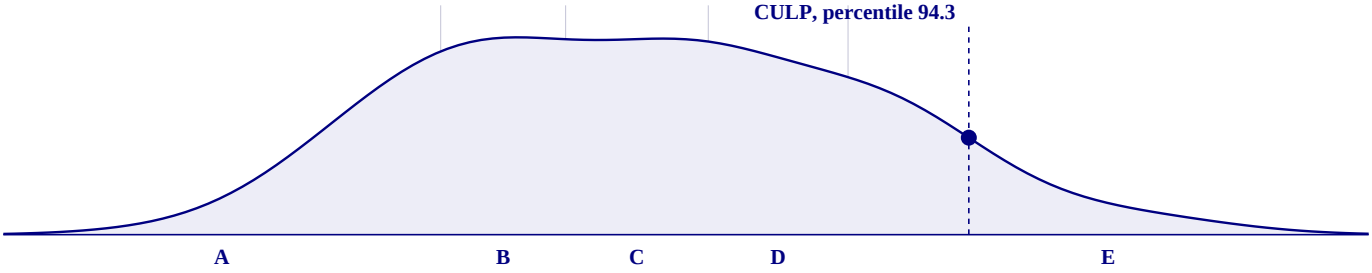
## Warnings

*1 of 7 checks triggered; none of them enters the letter*

| Check | Measured |
|---|---|
| Fortress balance sheet | cash minus debt is 27,525,000 USD; Altman Z is not used |

## Among 124 peers

*consumer nondurables; 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 112 | John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (WLYB) | 89.8 | E | |
| 113 | Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory, Inc. (RMCF) | 91.1 | E | short runway, late filer, fortress balance sheet |
| 114 | Beyond Meat, Inc. (BYND) | 91.9 | E | dilution, late filer |
| 115 | Rythm, Inc. (RYM) | 92.7 | E | |
| 116 | Archer-Daniels-Midland Co. (ADM) | 93.5 | E | late filer |
| 117 | Culp Inc. (CULP) | 94.3 | E | fortress balance sheet |
| 118 | Mondelez International, Inc. (MDLZ) | 95.1 | E | |
| 119 | Hain Celestial Group Inc. (HAIN) | 95.9 | E | fortress balance sheet |
| 120 | Limoneira Co. (LMNR) | 96.7 | E | |
| 121 | Reed'S, Inc. (REED) | 97.6 | E | |
| 122 | Endovia Health Sciences, Inc. (EDVA) | 98.4 | E | short runway, late filer, degenerate inputs, fortress balance sheet |

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## What the price implies

*at the 2026-10-28 close; none of these enters the grade*

| Measure | Value | Peer median | Percentile |
|---|---|---|---|
| Twelve-month price change, skipping the latest month | (24.7%) | (0.2%) | 20 |
| Distance from 52-week high | (17.5%) | (23.8%) | 65 |
| EBIT to enterprise value | (19.7%) | 3.7% | 14 |
| Free cash flow yield | (22.4%) | 4.7% | 8 |
| Book value to price | 1.22 | 0.57 | 81 |
| Sales to price | 4.57 | 1.22 | 94 |
| Composite equity issuance, five years | (0.2%) | (16.3%) | 78 |
| Relative strength against the sector, log excess return | (0.38) | (0.10) | 20 |

## Diagnostics

*shown on every report; none enters the grade*

| Measure | Value |
|---|---|
| **Piotroski F-score None of 9, period end 2026-05-03** | |
| Return on assets above zero | fail |
| Operating cash flow above zero | fail |
| 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 | fail |
| Gross margin improved | pass |
| Asset turnover improved | pass |
| **Cash, filings, liquidity** | |
| Cash and equivalents | $10.2M |
| Operating cash flow, four quarters | -$574,000 |
| Months of runway | 214.0 |
| Days since last periodic filing | 48 (10-Q received Sep 11, 2026) |
| Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions | $129,682 |

## 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 | $25.2M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 2 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $112.0M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 3 | operating income | us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss | $22.8M | 2015-05-03 | 2017-07-14 | 10-K | 17-001944 |
| 4 | pretax income | us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc... | $23.0M | 2015-05-03 | 2016-07-15 | 10-K | 16-006084 |
| 5 | income tax | us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit | $7.9M | 2015-05-03 | 2017-07-14 | 10-K | 17-001944 |
| 6 | total debt | us-gaap:LongTermDebt | $2.2M | 2015-05-03 | 2015-07-17 | 10-K | 15-002386 |
| 7 | book equity | us-gaap:StockholdersEquity | $119.4M | 2015-05-03 | 2018-07-13 | 10-K | 18-001419 |
| 8 | cash | us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue | $29.7M | 2015-05-03 | 2018-07-13 | 10-K | 18-001419 |
| 9 | total debt | us-gaap:LongTermDebt | $4.4M | 2014-04-27 | 2015-07-17 | 10-K | 15-002386 |
| 10 | book equity | us-gaap:StockholdersEquity | $111.7M | 2014-04-27 | 2017-07-14 | 10-K | 17-001944 |
| 11 | cash | us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue | $29.3M | 2014-04-27 | 2017-07-14 | 10-K | 17-001944 |
| 12 | net income | us-gaap:ProfitLoss | -$10.2M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 13 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | -$9.4M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 14 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $123.4M | 2025-04-27 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 15 | revenue | us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA... | $203.5M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 16 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $25.1M | 2025-04-27 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 17 | revenue | us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA... | $213.2M | 2025-04-27 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 18 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $27.9M | 2024-04-28 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 19 | revenue | us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA... | $225.3M | 2024-04-28 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 20 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $10.9M | 2023-04-30 | 2025-07-11 | 10-K | 25-095233 |
| 21 | revenue | us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA... | $234.9M | 2023-04-30 | 2025-07-11 | 10-K | 25-095233 |
| 22 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $36.1M | 2022-05-01 | 2024-07-12 | 10-K | 24-083115 |
| 23 | revenue | us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA... | $294.8M | 2022-05-01 | 2024-07-12 | 10-K | 24-083115 |
| 24 | current assets | us-gaap:AssetsCurrent | $80.7M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 25 | current liabilities | us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent | $45.0M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 26 | retained earnings | us-gaap:RetainedEarningsAccumulatedDeficit | $1.1M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 27 | operating income | us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss | -$7.2M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 28 | book equity | us-gaap:StockholdersEquityIncludingPortionAttributableT... | $48.1M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 29 | liabilities | us-gaap:Liabilities | $63.8M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 30 | depreciation amortization | us-gaap:Depreciation | $5.8M | 2015-05-03 | 2017-07-14 | 10-K | 17-001944 |
| 31 | interest expense | us-gaap:InterestExpense | $759,000 | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 32 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets | $596,000 | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 33 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | -$17.6M | 2025-04-27 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 34 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets | $2.9M | 2025-04-27 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 35 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | -$8.2M | 2024-04-28 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 36 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets | $3.7M | 2024-04-28 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 37 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $7.8M | 2023-04-30 | 2025-07-11 | 10-K | 25-095233 |
| 38 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets | $2.1M | 2023-04-30 | 2025-07-11 | 10-K | 25-095233 |
| 39 | depreciation amortization | us-gaap:Depreciation | $4.1M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 40 | pretax income | us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc... | -$8.3M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 41 | income tax | us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit | $1.9M | 2026-05-03 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 42 | current assets | us-gaap:AssetsCurrent | $83.5M | 2025-04-27 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 43 | current liabilities | us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent | $47.0M | 2025-04-27 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 44 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $132.1M | 2024-04-28 | 2025-07-11 | 10-K | 25-095233 |
| 45 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $152.2M | 2023-04-30 | 2024-07-12 | 10-K | 24-083115 |
| 46 | shares outstanding | dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding | 12,662,784 | 2026-07-15 | 2026-07-17 | 10-K | 26-307064 |
| 47 | shares outstanding | dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding | 12,559,129 | 2025-07-09 | 2025-07-11 | 10-K | 25-095233 |

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