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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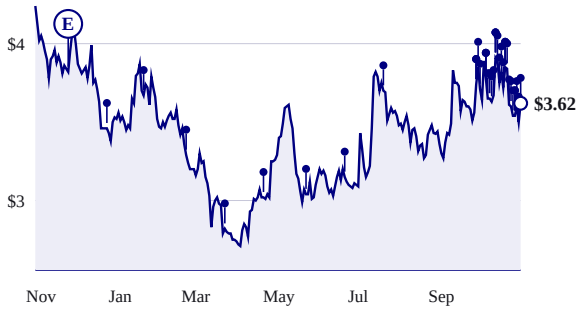
E, the bear



Scoreboard

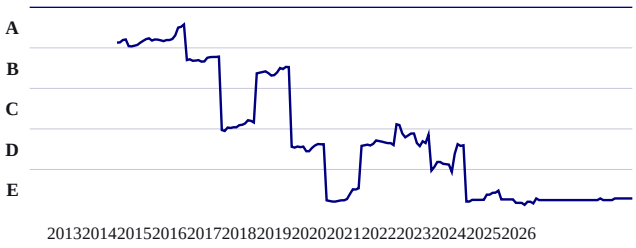
Profitability	D percentile 70.2
Solvency	C/D percentile 62.6
Growth and financing	D percentile 75.5
Reliability	0.83 AUC filers with $12.5M to $120M assets; 95% interval 0.79 to 0.86; 201 events, 2020 to 2025
Peer failure rate	1.07% a year Item 1.03 bankruptcies, same asset band, 2012 to 2025
Size band	$12.5M to $120M assets total assets $112.0M
Standard universe	inside revenue above $1M and assets above $10M
Warnings	none triggered; fortress balance sheet not computable: distress
Inputs computable	9 of 14
Graded from	filings received through Jul 17, 2026 105 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Sep 11, 2026
Last close	$3.52 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

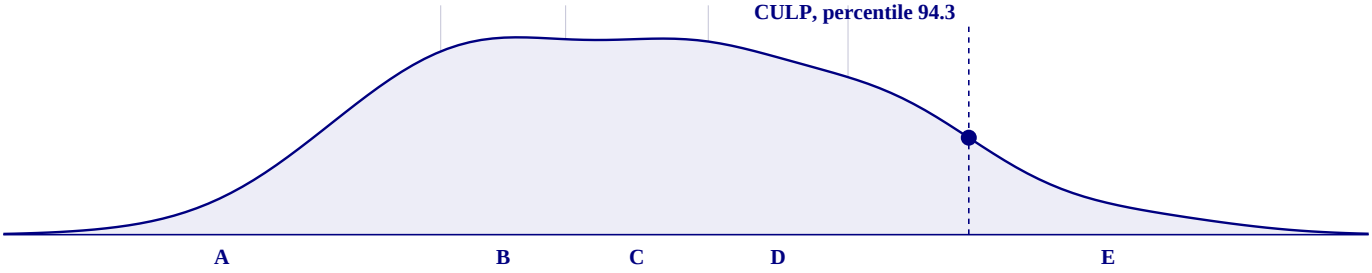
Warnings

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	(14.6%)	(22.0%)	64
EBIT to enterprise value	(18.9%)	3.7%	14
Free cash flow yield	(21.6%)	4.5%	8
Book value to price	1.18	0.57	82
Sales to price	4.41	1.21	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	49 (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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