# Albemarle Corp. ALB

NYSE; chemicals; SIC 2821, Plastic Materials, Synth Resins & Nonvulcan Elastomers; CIK 0000915913

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**weakest fifth of 330 graded peers in the pooled industrial gro...**

rank 292 of 330; percentile 89.8; sampling error 2.7 points; lower is stronger

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**E, the bear**



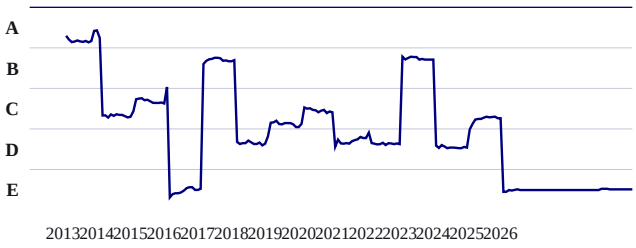
| Scoreboard | |
|---|---|
| **Profitability** | D<br>percentile 68.1 |
| **Solvency** | D<br>percentile 64.8 |
| **Growth and financing** | D<br>percentile 71.4 |
| **Reliability** | 0.94 AUC<br>filers with over $2.67B assets; 95% interval 0.88 to 0.97; 61 events, 2020 to 2025 |
| **Peer failure rate** | 0.52% a year<br>Item 1.03 bankruptcies, same asset band, 2012 to 2025 |
| **Size band** | over $2.67B assets<br>total assets $16.4B |
| **Standard universe** | inside<br>revenue above $1M and assets above $10M |
| **Warnings** | none triggered<br>not computable: dilution, distress |
| **Inputs computable** | 8 of 14 |
| **Graded from** | filings received through Mar 31, 2026<br>222 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Nov 4, 2026 |
| **Last close** | $99.22<br>2026-11-06; market equity $0; 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 11, 2026*

above, the Company has entered into definitive agreements to divest the controlling ownership interest in its Refining Solutions business, with the transactions expected to be completed in the first quarter of 2026. Upon completion of the transactions, the Company will still maintain a 49% ownership interest in the Refining Solutions business and all of its PCS business.

## 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 68.1** | | | | | | |
| Gross profitability | 4.1% | 21.4% | | 90.1 | 358 | 2025-12-31 |
| Return on invested capital | not computable | 9.3% | | | | |
| *latest aligned inputs end 2019-12-31; latest annual assets end 2025-12-31* | | | | | | |
| Accruals ratio | (10.9%) | (4.2%) | | 18.1 | 397 | 2025-12-31 |
| Gross margin stability, five years | 14.5 pts | 2.2 pts | | 96.2 | 300 | 2025-12-31 |

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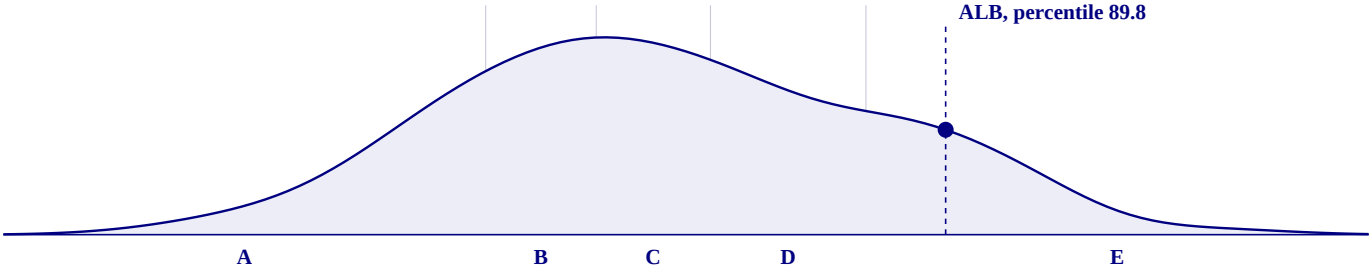
| **Solvency, sleeve percentile 64.8** | | | | | | |
| Twelve-month failure probability | not computable | 0.04% | | | | |
| *firm-wide XBRL shares cannot be assigned to one ticker class* | | | | | | |
| Altman Z double-prime | not computable | 3.41 | | | | |
| *one or more required annual facts are missing* | | | | | | |
| Net debt to EBITDA | not computable | 1.88x | | | | |
| *latest aligned inputs end 2019-12-31; latest annual assets end 2025-12-31* | | | | | | |
| Interest coverage | (1.77x) | 4.16x | | 80.8 | 87 | 2025-12-31 |
| Current ratio | 2.23x | 2.20x | | 48.8 | 420 | 2025-12-31 |
| **Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 71.4** | | | | | | |
| Revenue growth, three-year compound | (11.1%) | 1.2% | | 90.1 | 349 | 2025-12-31 |
| Free cash flow growth, three-year compound | 2.3% | 12.5% | | 67.1 | 182 | 2025-12-31 |
| Reinvestment rate | not computable | 21.8% | | | | |
| *pretax income must exceed the validity floor and imply a 0%-100% tax rate* | | | | | | |
| Asset growth, three years | 1.9% | 2.9% | | 56.8 | 366 | 2025-12-31 |
| Net share issuance, one year | not computable | 0.0% | | | | |
| *firm-wide XBRL shares cannot be assigned to one ticker class* | | | | | | |

## Among 330 peers

*chemicals; 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 287 | SunCoke Energy, Inc. (SXC) | 88.2 | E | |
| 288 | CPI Aerostructures Inc. (CVU) | 88.6 | E | late filer |
| 289 | Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. (GT) | 89.0 | E | |
| 290 | Boeing Co. (BA) | 89.6 | E | |
| 291 | Boeing Co. (BA-PA) | 89.6 | E | |
| 292 | Albemarle Corp. (ALB) | 89.8 | E | |
| 293 | Albemarle Corp. (ALB-PA) | 89.8 | E | |
| 294 | Metallus Inc. (MTUS) | 90.2 | E | fortress balance sheet |
| 295 | Celanese Corp. (CE) | 90.3 | E | |
| 296 | Emerson Electric Co. (EMR) | 90.6 | E | |
| 297 | Greif, Inc. (GEF) | 91.1 | E | |

## What the price implies

*at the 2026-11-06 close; none of these enters the grade*

| Measure | Value | Peer median | Percentile |
|---|---|---|---|
| Twelve-month price change, skipping the latest month | 8.6% | 11.0% | 47 |
| Distance from 52-week high | (54.0%) | (26.1%) | 16 |
| EBIT to enterprise value | not computable | 3.9% | |
| Free cash flow yield | not computable | 3.4% | |
| Book value to price | not computable | 0.40 | |
| Sales to price | not computable | 0.57 | |

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| Composite equity issuance, five years | not computable | (10.1%) | |
| Relative strength against the sector, log excess return | (0.06) | 0.00 | 41 |

## Diagnostics

*shown on every report; none enters the grade*

| Measure | Value |
|---|---|
| **Piotroski F-score None of 9, period end 2025-12-31** | |
| Return on assets above zero | fail |
| 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 | fail |
| Gross margin improved | pass |
| Asset turnover improved | pass |
| **Cash, filings, liquidity** | |
| Cash and equivalents | $1.8B |
| Operating cash flow, four quarters | $1.9B |
| Months of runway | not finite |
| Days since last periodic filing | 4 (10-Q received Nov 4, 2026) |
| Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions | $246.8M |

## 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 | $668.7M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 2 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $16.4B | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 3 | operating income | us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss | $666.1M | 2019-12-31 | 2022-02-22 | 10-K | 22-000027 |
| 4 | pretax income | us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc... | $563.0M | 2019-12-31 | 2022-02-22 | 10-K | 22-000027 |
| 5 | income tax | us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit | $88.2M | 2019-12-31 | 2022-02-22 | 10-K | 22-000027 |
| 6 | total debt | us-gaap:LongTermDebt | $3.1B | 2019-12-31 | 2021-02-19 | 10-K | 21-000018 |
| 7 | book equity | us-gaap:StockholdersEquity | $3.9B | 2019-12-31 | 2021-02-19 | 10-K | 21-000018 |
| 8 | cash | us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue | $613.1M | 2019-12-31 | 2020-02-26 | 10-K | 20-000040 |
| 9 | total debt | us-gaap:LongTermDebt | $1.7B | 2018-12-31 | 2020-02-26 | 10-K | 20-000040 |
| 10 | book equity | us-gaap:StockholdersEquity | $3.6B | 2018-12-31 | 2020-02-26 | 10-K | 20-000040 |
| 11 | cash | us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue | $555.3M | 2018-12-31 | 2020-02-26 | 10-K | 20-000040 |
| 12 | net income | us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss | -$510.6M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 13 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $1.3B | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 14 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $16.6B | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 15 | revenue | us-gaap:Revenues | $5.1B | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 16 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $62.5M | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 17 | revenue | us-gaap:Revenues | $5.4B | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 18 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $1.2B | 2023-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 19 | revenue | us-gaap:Revenues | $9.6B | 2023-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 20 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $3.1B | 2022-12-31 | 2025-02-12 | 10-K | 25-000026 |
| 21 | revenue | us-gaap:Revenues | $7.3B | 2022-12-31 | 2025-02-12 | 10-K | 25-000026 |
| 22 | gross profit | us-gaap:GrossProfit | $998.0M | 2021-12-31 | 2024-02-15 | 10-K | 24-000016 |
| 23 | revenue | us-gaap:Revenues | $3.3B | 2021-12-31 | 2024-02-15 | 10-K | 24-000016 |
| 24 | depreciation amortization | us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization | $213.5M | 2019-12-31 | 2022-02-22 | 10-K | 22-000027 |
| 25 | operating income | us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss | -$367.1M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 26 | interest expense | us-gaap:InterestAndDebtExpense | $207.7M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 27 | current assets | us-gaap:AssetsCurrent | $4.0B | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 28 | current liabilities | us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent | $1.8B | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 29 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $589.8M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |

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| 30 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $687.9M | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 31 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $1.7B | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 32 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $1.3B | 2023-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 33 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $2.2B | 2023-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 34 | operating cash flow | us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities | $1.9B | 2022-12-31 | 2025-02-12 | 10-K | 25-000026 |
| 35 | capital expenditure | us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment | $1.3B | 2022-12-31 | 2025-02-12 | 10-K | 25-000026 |
| 36 | depreciation amortization | us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization | $658.7M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 37 | pretax income | us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc... | -$552.1M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 38 | income tax | us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit | $156.9M | 2025-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 39 | current assets | us-gaap:AssetsCurrent | $3.8B | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 40 | current liabilities | us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent | $2.0B | 2024-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 41 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $18.3B | 2023-12-31 | 2026-02-11 | 10-K | 26-000018 |
| 42 | assets | us-gaap:Assets | $15.5B | 2022-12-31 | 2025-02-12 | 10-K | 25-000026 |

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