Element Solutions Inc.

ESI

NYSE; chemicals; SIC 2890, Miscellaneous Chemical Products; CIK 0001590714

C

middle fifth of 329 graded peers in the pooled industrial group

rank 165 of 329; percentile 53.4; sampling error 2.7 points; lower is stronger

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C, the tortoise



Scoreboard

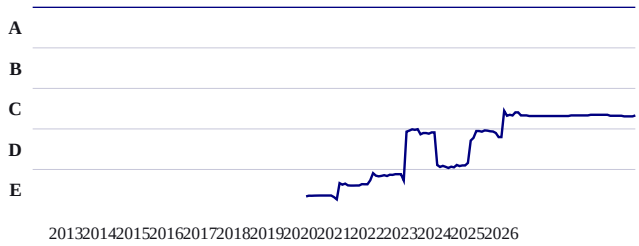
Profitability	C	percentile 53.8
Solvency	B/C	percentile 42.4
Growth and financing	C	percentile 56.5
Reliability	0.94 AUC	filers with over $2.67B assets; 95% interval 0.88 to 0.97; 61 events, 2020 to 2025
Peer failure rate	0.52% a year	Item 1.03 bankruptcies, same asset band, 2012 to 2025
Size band	over $2.67B assets	total assets $5.1B
Standard universe	inside	revenue above $1M and assets above $10M
Warnings	none triggered	not computable: distress
Inputs computable	12 of 14	
Graded from	filings received through Feb 18, 2026	264 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Oct 22, 2026
Last close	$31.34	2026-11-06; market equity $7.6B; 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 18, 2026

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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 53.8						
Gross profitability	21.0%	21.4%		48.9	357	2025-12-31
Return on invested capital	6.6%	9.5%		61.8	124	2025-12-31
Accruals ratio	(2.0%)	(4.2%)		69.4	396	2025-12-31
Gross margin stability, five years	1.8 pts	2.2 pts		35.2	299	2025-12-31
Solvency, sleeve percentile 42.4						
Twelve-month failure probability	not computable	0.04%				

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latest liabilities, cash plus short-term investments, book equity, and shares are required

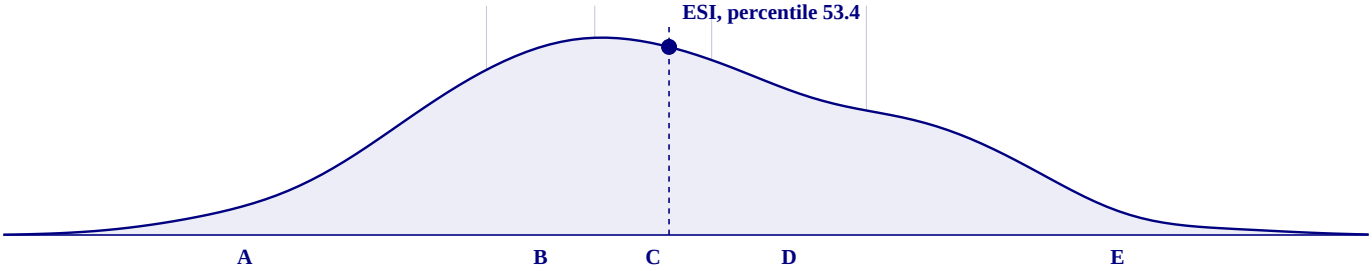
Altman Z double-prime	2.52	3.42	51.9	298	2025-12-31
Net debt to EBITDA	2.03x	1.86x	56.8	149	2025-12-31
Interest coverage	not computable	4.16x			

one or more required annual facts are missing

Current ratio	3.68x	2.20x	18.7	419	2025-12-31
Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 56.5					
Revenue growth, three-year compound	0.02%	1.2%	55.6	348	2025-12-31
Free cash flow growth, three-year compound	(2.8%)	12.2%	75.0	181	2025-12-31
Reinvestment rate	70.4%	21.5%	25.6	169	2025-12-31
Asset growth, three years	1.3%	2.9%	59.6	365	2025-12-31
Net share issuance, one year	0.5%	0.0%	66.7	316	2026-02-12

Among 329 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
160	Caterpillar Inc. (CAT)	51.8	C	
161	Agco Corp. (AGCO)	52.2	C	
162	Linde plc (LIN)	52.4	C	
163	General Dynamics Corp. (GD)	52.6	C	
164	Gorman Rupp Co. (GRC)	53.0	C	
165	Element Solutions Inc. (ESI)	53.4	C	
166	Eastern Co. (EML)	53.4	C	
167	Owens Corning (OC)	53.8	C	
168	Nucor Corp. (NUE)	54.2	C	
169	Edgewell Personal Care Co. (EPC)	54.3	C	
170	Ouster, Inc. (OUST)	54.5	C	fortress balance sheet

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	36.8%	10.9%	76
Distance from 52-week high	(36.1%)	(26.2%)	35
EBIT to enterprise value	3.6%	3.9%	46
Free cash flow yield	3.0%	3.4%	45
Book value to price	0.38	0.40	48
Sales to price	0.34	0.57	27
Composite equity issuance, five years	(9.1%)	(10.2%)	54
Relative strength against the sector, log excess return	0.17	0.00	70

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Diagnostics

shown on every report; none enters the grade

Measure	Value
Piotroski F-score 6 of 9, period end 2025-12-31	
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	pass
Current ratio improved	pass
No new shares issued	fail
Gross margin improved	fail
Asset turnover improved	pass
Cash, filings, liquidity	
Cash and equivalents	$224.9M
Operating cash flow, four quarters	$283.3M
Months of runway	not finite
Days since last periodic filing	18 (10-Q received Oct 22, 2026)
Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions	$136.2M

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	$1.1B	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
2	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$5.1B	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
3	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	$342.2M	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
4	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc...	$265.6M	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
5	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	$74.6M	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
6	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebtAndCapitalLeaseObligations	$1.6B	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
7	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$2.7B	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
8	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$626.5M	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
9	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebtAndCapitalLeaseObligations	$1.8B	2024-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
10	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$2.4B	2024-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
11	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$359.4M	2024-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
12	net income	us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss	$190.8M	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
13	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivitiesC...	$289.8M	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
14	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$4.9B	2024-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
15	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$2.6B	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
16	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$1.0B	2024-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
17	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$2.5B	2024-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
18	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$918.5M	2023-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
19	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$2.3B	2023-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
20	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$952.7M	2022-12-31	2025-02-19	10-K	25-000022
21	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$2.5B	2022-12-31	2025-02-19	10-K	25-000022
22	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$960.8M	2021-12-31	2024-02-21	10-K	24-000054
23	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$2.4B	2021-12-31	2024-02-21	10-K	24-000054
24	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$1.6B	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
25	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$429.9M	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
26	retained earnings	us-gaap:RetainedEarningsAccumulatedDeficit	-$904.6M	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
27	liabilities	us-gaap:Liabilities	$2.4B	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
28	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	$151.2M	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
29	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$62.2M	2025-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
30	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivitiesC...	$362.0M	2024-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
31	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$68.4M	2024-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018

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32	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivitiesC...	$333.6M	2023-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
33	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$52.7M	2023-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
34	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$295.9M	2022-12-31	2023-02-22	10-K	23-000027
35	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$47.8M	2022-12-31	2025-02-19	10-K	25-000022
36	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$1.3B	2024-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
37	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$379.7M	2024-12-31	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
38	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$5.0B	2023-12-31	2025-02-19	10-K	25-000022
39	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$4.9B	2022-12-31	2024-02-21	10-K	24-000054
40	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	243,578,414	2026-02-12	2026-02-18	10-K	26-000018
41	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	242,452,327	2025-02-14	2025-02-19	10-K	25-000022

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