John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

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weakest fifth of 118 graded peers in consumer nondurables

rank 104 of 118; percentile 88.0; sampling error 3.8 points; lower is stronger

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E, the bear



Scoreboard

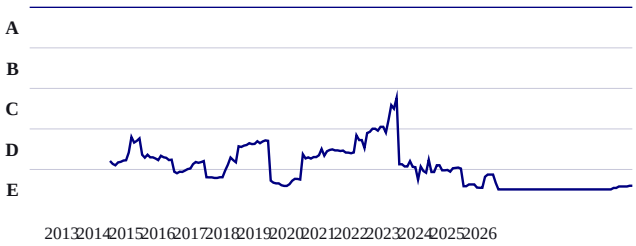
Profitability	C/D percentile 62.7
Solvency	C/D percentile 59.1
Growth and financing	D percentile 74.8
Reliability	0.91 AUC filers with $591M to $2.67B assets; 95% interval 0.88 to 0.94; 160 events, 2020 to 2025
Peer failure rate	1.01% a year Item 1.03 bankruptcies, same asset band, 2012 to 2025
Size band	$591M to $2.67B assets total assets $2.6B
Standard universe	inside revenue above $1M and assets above $10M
Warnings	none triggered not computable: dilution, distress
Inputs computable	9 of 13
Graded from	filings received through Jun 24, 2026 147 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Sep 4, 2026
Last close	$50.24 2026-11-17; 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 Jun 24, 2026

, which could adversely impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations. We may not be able to adequately drive publishing output and journal expansion to meet the global demand for peer-reviewed research, nor expand related licensing, platform, and service offerings for institutions, corporations, and societies. Technological developments in AI could disrupt the markets in which we operate and subject us to increased competition, cannibalization, legal and regulatory risks, and compliance costs.

The thirteen 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 62.7						
Gross profitability	48.0%	30.0%		29.9	135	2026-04-30
Return on invested capital	not computable	5.7%				

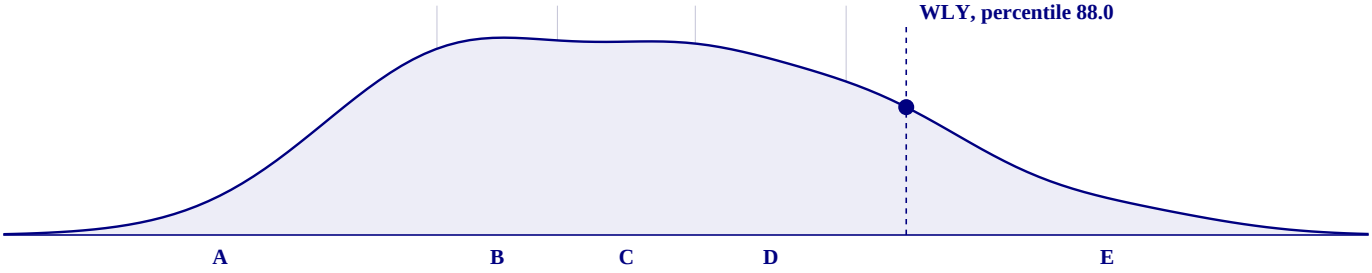
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Accruals ratio	(1.5%)	(5.2%)	74.6	139	2026-04-30
Gross margin stability, five years	3.7 pts	1.9 pts	83.6	111	2026-04-30
Solvency, sleeve percentile 59.1					
Altman Z double-prime	2.51	3.11	51.4	110	2026-04-30
Net debt to EBITDA	1.45x	2.44x	30.0	51	2026-04-30
Interest coverage	not computable	2.45x			
latest aligned inputs end 2024-04-30; latest annual assets end 2026-04-30					
Current ratio	0.54x	1.82x	95.8	143	2026-04-30
Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 74.8					
Revenue growth, three-year compound	(6.0%)	(0.1%)	79.0	125	2026-04-30
Free cash flow growth, three-year compound	2.2%	15.3%	69.5	60	2026-04-30
Reinvestment rate	not computable	11.8%			
pretax income must exceed the validity floor and imply a 0%-100% tax rate					
Asset growth, three years	(5.9%)	0.2%	75.8	125	2026-04-30
Net share issuance, one year	not computable	0.03%			
firm-wide XBRL shares cannot be assigned to one ticker class					

Among 118 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
99	Keurig Dr Pepper Inc. (KDP)	83.8	D/E	
100	Molson Coors Beverage Co. (TAP)	84.6	E	
101	Primo Brands Corp. (PRMB)	85.5	E	
102	Wolverine World Wide Inc. (WWW)	86.3	E	
103	Utz Brands, Inc. (UTZ)	87.2	E	
104	John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (WLY)	88.0	E	
105	USA Today Co., Inc. (TDAY)	88.9	E	
106	Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory, Inc. (RMCF)	89.7	E	short runway, late filer, fortress balance sheet
107	Beyond Meat, Inc. (BYND)	90.6	E	dilution, late filer
108	Rythm, Inc. (RYM)	91.5	E	
109	Archer-Daniels-Midland Co. (ADM)	92.3	E	

What the price implies

at the 2026-11-17 close; none of these enters the grade

Measure	Value	Peer median	Percentile
Twelve-month price change, skipping the latest month	33.2%	(1.0%)	79
Distance from 52-week high	(10.0%)	(22.5%)	71
EBIT to enterprise value	not computable	3.4%	
Free cash flow yield	not computable	4.4%	
Book value to price	not computable	0.57	
Sales to price	not computable	1.25	

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Composite equity issuance, five years	not computable	(17.0%)	
Relative strength against the sector, log excess return	0.20	(0.09)	79
Twelve-month failure probability, CHS model	not computable	0.04%	

Diagnostics

shown on every report; none enters the grade

Measure	Value
Piotroski F-score None of 9, period end 2026-04-30	
Return on assets above zero	pass
Operating cash flow above zero	pass
Return on assets improved	pass
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	$106.4M
Operating cash flow, four quarters	$290.3M
Months of runway	not finite
Days since last periodic filing	75 (10-Q received Sep 4, 2026)
Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions	$19.4M

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	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$1.7B	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
2	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	$431.5M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
3	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$2.6B	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
4	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	$276.9M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
5	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc...	$215.1M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
6	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	-$6.5M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
7	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$683.4M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
8	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$848.2M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
9	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$75.6M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
10	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$799.4M	2025-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
11	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$752.2M	2025-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
12	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$85.9M	2025-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
13	net income	us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss	$221.6M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
14	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$260.5M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
15	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$2.7B	2025-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
16	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$1.7B	2025-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
17	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	$431.4M	2025-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
18	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$1.9B	2024-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
19	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	$579.7M	2024-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
20	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$2.0B	2023-04-30	2025-06-25	10-K	25-000081
21	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	$692.5M	2023-04-30	2025-06-25	10-K	25-000081
22	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$2.1B	2022-04-30	2024-06-26	10-K	24-000114
23	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	$700.7M	2022-04-30	2024-06-26	10-K	24-000114
24	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$419.7M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
25	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$778.9M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
26	retained earnings	us-gaap:RetainedEarningsAccumulatedDeficit	$1.7B	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
27	liabilities	us-gaap:Liabilities	$1.7B	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111

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28	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	$143.5M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
29	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	$52.3M	2024-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
30	interest expense	us-gaap:InterestExpense	$49.0M	2024-04-30	2024-06-26	10-K	24-000114
31	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$51.2M	2026-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
32	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$202.6M	2025-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
33	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$61.5M	2025-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
34	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$207.6M	2024-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
35	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$76.1M	2024-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
36	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$277.1M	2023-04-30	2025-06-25	10-K	25-000081
37	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$81.2M	2023-04-30	2025-06-25	10-K	25-000081
38	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$439.9M	2025-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
39	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$820.9M	2025-04-30	2026-06-24	10-K	26-045111
40	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$2.7B	2024-04-30	2025-06-25	10-K	25-000081
41	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$3.1B	2023-04-30	2024-06-26	10-K	24-000114

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