Qualcomm Inc/De

QCOM

Nasdaq; business equipment; SIC 3663, Radio & Tv Broadcasting & Communications Equipment; CIK 0000804328

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middle fifth of 468 graded peers in business equipment

rank 221 of 468; percentile 47.1; sampling error 2.3 points; lower is stronger

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C, the tortoise



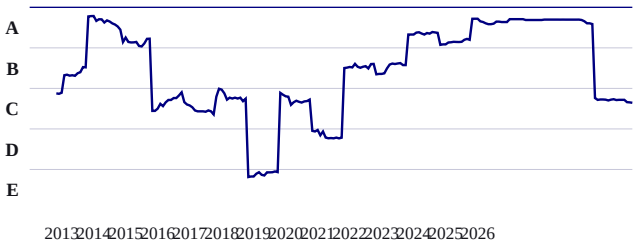
Scoreboard	
Profitability	C percentile 53.2
Solvency	B percentile 36.3
Growth and financing	C percentile 53.2
Reliability	0.94 AUC filers with over $2.67B assets; 95% interval 0.88 to 0.97; 61 events, 2020 to 2025
Peer failure rate	0.52% a year Item 1.03 bankruptcies, same asset band, 2012 to 2025
Size band	over $2.67B assets total assets $60.8B
Standard universe	inside revenue above $1M and assets above $10M
Warnings	none triggered
Inputs computable	11 of 13
Graded from	filings received through Nov 4, 2026 15 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-K received Nov 4, 2026
Last close	$159.75 2026-11-18; market equity $170.9B; 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 Nov 5, 2025

We incorporated in California in 1985 and reincorporated in Delaware in 1991. We operate and report using a 52-53 week fiscal year ending on the last Sunday in September. Our 52-week fiscal years consist of four equal fiscal quarters of 13 weeks each, and our 53-week fiscal years consist of three 13-week fiscal quarters and one 14-week fiscal quarter. The financial results for our 53-week fiscal years and our 14-week fiscal quarters will not be exactly comparable to our 52-week fiscal years and our 13-week fiscal quarters. Our fiscal years for 2025, 2024 and 2023 included 52 weeks, 53 weeks and 52 weeks, respectively. Our fiscal year for 2026 will include 52 weeks.

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 53.2						
Gross profitability	37.6%	29.2%		33.1	512	2026-09-27
Return on invested capital	not computable	11.0%				

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pretax income must exceed the validity floor and imply a 0%-100% tax rate						
Accruals ratio	4.5%	(7.4%)		92.7	566	2026-09-27
Gross margin stability, five years	1.5 pts	2.3 pts		33.9	405	2026-09-27
Solvency, sleeve percentile 36.3						
Altman Z double-prime	4.59	2.21		27.0	516	2026-09-27
Net debt to EBITDA	0.78x	1.08x		40.9	138	2026-09-27
Interest coverage	12.57x	4.90x		24.1	80	2026-09-27
Current ratio	1.86x	1.98x		53.3	600	2026-09-27
Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 53.2						
Revenue growth, three-year compound	6.4%	6.5%		50.1	502	2026-09-27
Free cash flow growth, three-year compound	(4.2%)	17.5%		80.6	253	2026-09-27
Reinvestment rate	not computable	15.6%				
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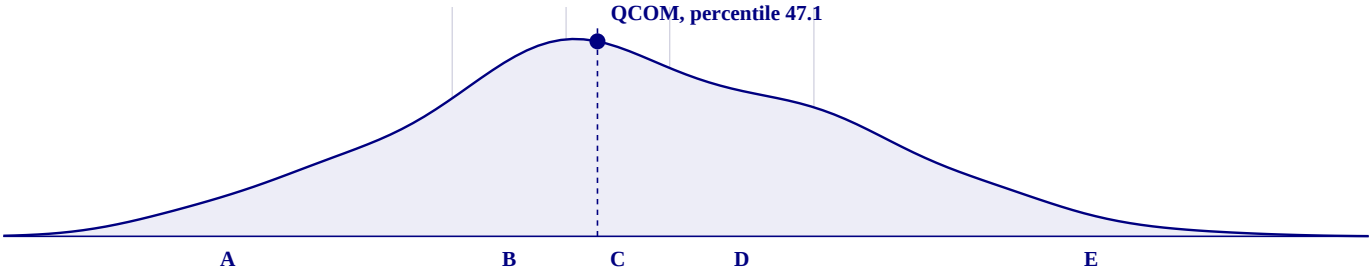
Asset growth, three years	6.0%	5.0%		45.0	519	2026-09-27
Net share issuance, one year	(0.09%)	0.5%		37.1	405	2026-11-02

Among 468 peers

business equipment; 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
216	Illumina, Inc. (ILMN)	46.0	C	
217	Kulicke & Soffa Industries Inc. (KLIC)	46.3	C	
218	Hurco Companies Inc. (HURC)	46.5	C	
219	Snowflake Inc. (SNOW)	46.7	C	
220	Western Digital Corp. (WDC)	46.9	C	fortress balance sheet
221	Qualcomm Inc/De (QCOM)	47.1	C	
222	Ametek (AME)	47.3	C	
223	CSP Inc. (CSPI)	47.5	C	
224	Audioeye Inc. (AEYE)	47.8	C	
225	ACI Worldwide, Inc. (ACIW)	48.0	C	
226	Amkor Technology, Inc. (AMKR)	48.2	C	

What the price implies

at the 2026-11-18 close; none of these enters the grade

Measure	Value	Peer median	Percentile
Twelve-month price change, skipping the latest month	3.9%	(2.2%)	56
Distance from 52-week high	(36.3%)	(37.2%)	52
EBIT to enterprise value	4.8%	1.8%	77
Free cash flow yield	5.1%	2.9%	66
Book value to price	0.18	0.28	34
Sales to price	0.25	0.33	43
Composite equity issuance, five years	(15.4%)	4.3%	17
Relative strength against the sector, log excess return	(0.23)	(0.29)	56

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Twelve-month failure probability, CHS model	0.03%	0.05%	28

Diagnostics

shown on every report; none enters the grade

Measure	Value
Piotroski F-score 6 of 9, period end 2026-09-27	
Return on assets above zero	pass
Operating cash flow above zero	pass
Return on assets improved	pass
Operating cash flow exceeds net income	fail
Long-term leverage fell	pass
Current ratio improved	fail
No new shares issued	pass
Gross margin improved	fail
Asset turnover improved	pass
Cash, filings, liquidity	
Cash and equivalents	$4.6B
Operating cash flow, four quarters	$11.1B
Months of runway	not finite
Days since last periodic filing	15 (10-K received Nov 4, 2026)
Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions	$1.9B

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:Revenues	$43.1B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
2	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfRevenue	$20.2B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
3	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$60.8B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
4	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	$8.7B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
5	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc...	$9.4B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
6	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	-$4.2B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
7	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$12.6B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
8	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquityIncludingPortionAttributableT...	$30.4B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
9	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$4.6B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
10	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$14.8B	2025-09-28	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
11	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquityIncludingPortionAttributableT...	$21.2B	2025-09-28	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
12	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$5.5B	2025-09-28	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
13	net income	us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss	$13.6B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
14	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$11.1B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
15	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$50.1B	2025-09-28	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
16	revenue	us-gaap:Revenues	$44.3B	2025-09-28	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
17	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfRevenue	$19.7B	2025-09-28	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
18	revenue	us-gaap:Revenues	$39.0B	2024-09-29	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
19	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfRevenue	$17.1B	2024-09-29	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
20	revenue	us-gaap:Revenues	$35.8B	2023-09-24	2025-11-05	10-K	25-000085
21	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfRevenue	$15.9B	2023-09-24	2025-11-05	10-K	25-000085
22	revenue	us-gaap:Revenues	$44.2B	2022-09-25	2024-11-06	10-K	24-000075
23	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfRevenue	$18.6B	2022-09-25	2024-11-06	10-K	24-000075
24	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$22.3B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
25	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$12.0B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
26	retained earnings	us-gaap:RetainedEarningsAccumulatedDeficit	$27.5B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
27	liabilities	us-gaap:Liabilities	$30.4B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
28	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	$1.6B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
29	interest expense	us-gaap:InterestExpense	$689.0M	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
30	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets	$2.5B	2026-09-27	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128

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31	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$14.0B	2025-09-28	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
32	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets	$1.2B	2025-09-28	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
33	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$12.2B	2024-09-29	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
34	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets	$1.0B	2024-09-29	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
35	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$11.3B	2023-09-24	2025-11-05	10-K	25-000085
36	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets	$1.4B	2023-09-24	2025-11-05	10-K	25-000085
37	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$25.8B	2025-09-28	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
38	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$9.1B	2025-09-28	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
39	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$55.2B	2024-09-29	2025-11-05	10-K	25-000085
40	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$51.0B	2023-09-24	2024-11-06	10-K	24-000075
41	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	1,070,000,000	2026-11-02	2026-11-04	10-K	26-000128
42	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	1,071,000,000	2025-11-03	2025-11-05	10-K	25-000085

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