CarGurus, Inc.

CARG

Nasdaq; business equipment; SIC 7374, Services-Computer Processing & Data Preparation; CIK 0001494259

B

second fifth of 469 graded peers in business equipment

rank 150 of 469; percentile 31.8; sampling error 2.3 points; lower is stronger

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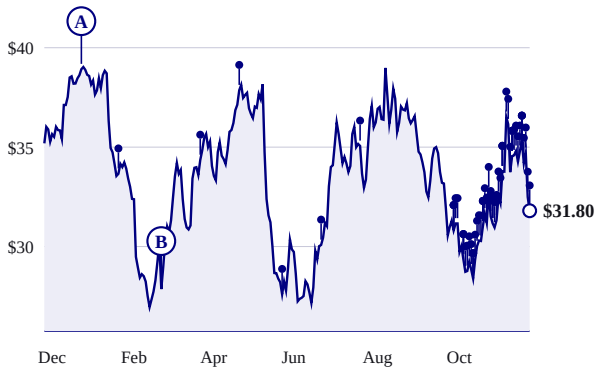
B, the elk



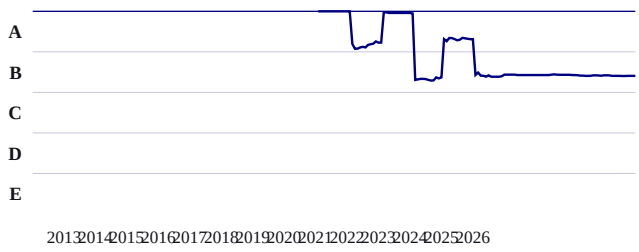
Scoreboard	
Profitability	B percentile 30.0
Solvency	A/B percentile 19.0
Growth and financing	D/E percentile 80.5
Reliability	0.91 AUC filers with $591M to $2.67B assets; 95% interval 0.88 to 0.94; 160 events, 2020 to 2025
Peer failure rate	1.01% a year Item 1.03 bankruptcies, same asset band, 2012 to 2025
Size band	$591M to $2.67B assets total assets $661.9M
Standard universe	inside revenue above $1M and assets above $10M
Warnings	none triggered; fortress balance sheet not computable: dilution, distress
Inputs computable	11 of 13
Graded from	filings received through Feb 19, 2026 277 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Nov 5, 2026
Last close	$31.82 2026-11-20; 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 19, 2026

CarGurus is a multinational automotive platform helping consumers and dealers confidently buy and sell vehicles. Founded in 2006 with a mission to bring more trust and transparency to car shopping, CarGurus is the No. 1 visited automotive shopping site in the U.S.1 with the largest selection of inventory and network of dealers2. CarGurus' selection, trusted automotive insights, and data-driven products and solutions support each shopper's journey - from online research and shopping to in-dealership decisions - to empower them at every step.

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 30.0						
Gross profitability	127.1%	29.4%		1.0	513	2025-12-31
Return on invested capital	90.3%	11.2%		4.9	123	2025-12-31
Accruals ratio	(18.8%)	(7.4%)		19.1	566	2025-12-31

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Gross margin stability, five years	20.5 pts	2.3 pts		94.8	406	2025-12-31
Solvency, sleeve percentile 19.0						
Altman Z double-prime	7.44	2.18		13.8	517	2025-12-31
Net debt to EBITDA	(0.70x)	1.11x		10.2	138	2025-12-31
Interest coverage	not computable	4.90x				
interest expense must exceed $100,000						
Current ratio	2.81x	1.98x		33.1	600	2025-12-31
Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 80.5						
Revenue growth, three-year compound	(18.2%)	6.6%		93.0	503	2025-12-31
Free cash flow growth, three-year compound	4.9%	17.4%		68.7	253	2025-12-31
Reinvestment rate	(72.4%)	14.3%		75.5	213	2025-12-31
Asset growth, three years	(10.6%)	5.0%		84.7	519	2025-12-31
Net share issuance, one year	not computable	0.5%				
two annual share counts are required; found 0						

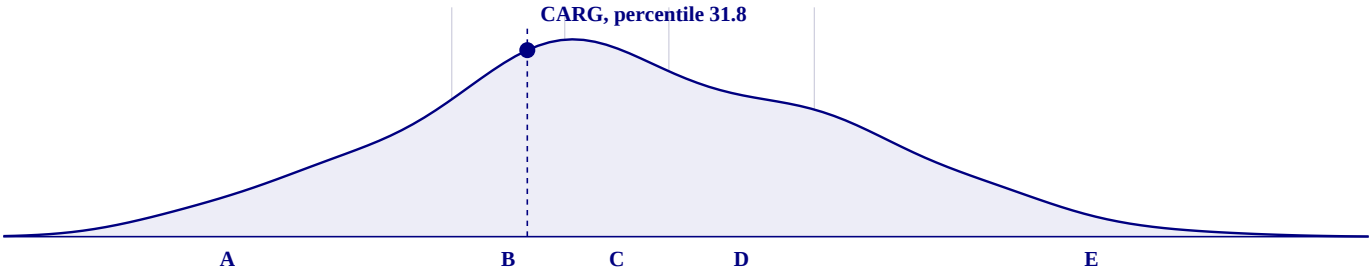
Warnings

1 of 7 checks triggered; none of them enters the letter

Check	Measured
Fortress balance sheet	cash minus debt is 190,518,000 USD; Altman Z is not used

Among 469 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
145	Coursera, Inc. (COUR)	30.8	B	
146	EnerSys (ENS)	31.0	B	
147	First Solar, Inc. (FSLR)	31.2	B	fortress balance sheet
148	Ciena Corp. (CIEN)	31.4	B	fortress balance sheet
149	TaskUs, Inc. (TASK)	31.6	B	
150	CarGurus, Inc. (CARG)	31.8	B	fortress balance sheet
151	Block, Inc. (XYZ)	32.1	B	
152	Transact Technologies Inc. (TACT)	32.3	B	
153	Where Food Comes From, Inc. (WFCF)	32.5	B	fortress balance sheet
154	Waters Corp. (WAT)	32.7	B	dilution
155	CTS Corp. (CTS)	32.9	B	fortress balance sheet

What the price implies

at the 2026-11-20 close; none of these enters the grade

Measure	Value	Peer median	Percentile
Twelve-month price change, skipping the latest month	(11.3%)	(2.2%)	42
Distance from 52-week high	(18.5%)	(41.7%)	79
EBIT to enterprise value	not computable	2.0%	
Free cash flow yield	not computable	3.1%	

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Book value to price	not computable	0.31	
Sales to price	not computable	0.35	
Composite equity issuance, five years	not computable	4.3%	
Relative strength against the sector, log excess return	(0.39)	(0.29)	42
Twelve-month failure probability, CHS model	not computable	0.05%	

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	pass
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	fail
No new shares issued	fail
Gross margin improved	pass
Asset turnover improved	pass
Cash, filings, liquidity	
Cash and equivalents	$164.9M
Operating cash flow, four quarters	$328.4M
Months of runway	not finite
Days since last periodic filing	18 (10-Q received Nov 5, 2026)
Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions	$36.9M

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	$841.5M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
2	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$661.9M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
3	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	$244.4M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
4	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc...	$252.8M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
5	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	$56.1M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
6	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$0	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
7	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$374.2M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
8	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$190.5M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
9	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$0	2024-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
10	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$541.7M	2024-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
11	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$304.2M	2024-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
12	net income	us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss	$155.9M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
13	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$295.3M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
14	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$824.5M	2024-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
15	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$907.0M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
16	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$727.7M	2024-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
17	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$798.0M	2024-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
18	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$636.6M	2023-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
19	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$698.4M	2023-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
20	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$657.6M	2022-12-31	2025-02-20	10-K	25-024181
21	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$1.7B	2022-12-31	2025-02-20	10-K	25-024181
22	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$657.4M	2021-12-31	2024-02-26	10-K	24-020157
23	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$951.4M	2021-12-31	2024-02-26	10-K	24-020157
24	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$282.9M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
25	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$100.5M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435

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26	retained earnings	us-gaap:RetainedEarningsAccumulatedDeficit	$362.4M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
27	liabilities	us-gaap:Liabilities	$287.7M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
28	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	$28.3M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
29	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	$15.3M	2017-12-31	2020-02-14	10-K	20-004805
30	interest expense	us-gaap:InterestExpense	$29,000	2017-12-31	2018-03-01	10-K	18-004127
31	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$6.4M	2025-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
32	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$255.5M	2024-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
33	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$75.2M	2024-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
34	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$124.5M	2023-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
35	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$24.6M	2023-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
36	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$256.1M	2022-12-31	2025-02-20	10-K	25-024181
37	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$5.9M	2022-12-31	2025-02-20	10-K	25-024181
38	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$391.2M	2024-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
39	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$93.1M	2024-12-31	2026-02-19	10-K	26-059435
40	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$918.9M	2023-12-31	2025-02-20	10-K	25-024181
41	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$927.1M	2022-12-31	2025-02-20	10-K	25-024181

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