Warner Music Group Corp.

WMG

Nasdaq; other; SIC 7900, Services-Amusement & Recreation Services; CIK 0001319161

C

middle fifth of 315 graded peers in other

rank 179 of 315; percentile 56.7; sampling error 2.7 points; lower is stronger

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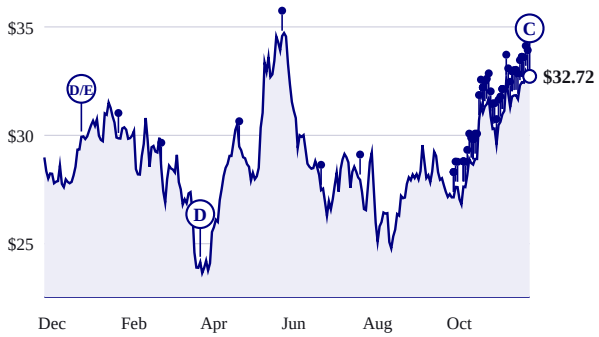
C, the tortoise



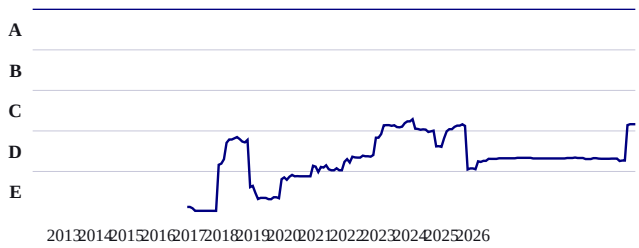
Scoreboard	
Profitability	B/C percentile 40.5
Solvency	D percentile 67.5
Growth and financing	C percentile 44.2
Reliability	0.94 AUC filers with over $2.67B assets; 95% interval 0.88 to 0.97; 61 events, 2020 to 2025
Peer failure rate	0.52% a year Item 1.03 bankruptcies, same asset band, 2012 to 2025
Size band	over $2.67B assets total assets $10.8B
Standard universe	inside revenue above $1M and assets above $10M
Warnings	none triggered not computable: dilution, distress
Inputs computable	11 of 13
Graded from	filings received through Nov 19, 2026 4 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-K received Nov 19, 2026
Last close	$32.71 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 Nov 20, 2025

Warner Music Group Corp. (the "Company") was formed on November 21, 2003. We are the direct parent of WMG Holdings Corp. ("Holdings"), which is the direct parent of WMG Acquisition Corp. ("Acquisition Corp."). Acquisition Corp. is one of the world's major music entertainment companies. The Company and Holdings are holding companies that conduct substantially all of their business operations through their subsidiaries. The terms "we," "us," "our," "ours" and the "Company" refer collectively to Warner Music Group Corp. and its consolidated subsidiaries, unless the context refers only to Warner Music Group Corp. as a corporate entity.

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 40.5						
Gross profitability	31.9%	26.7%		39.4	265	2026-09-30
Return on invested capital	17.4%	10.0%		26.0	147	2026-09-30

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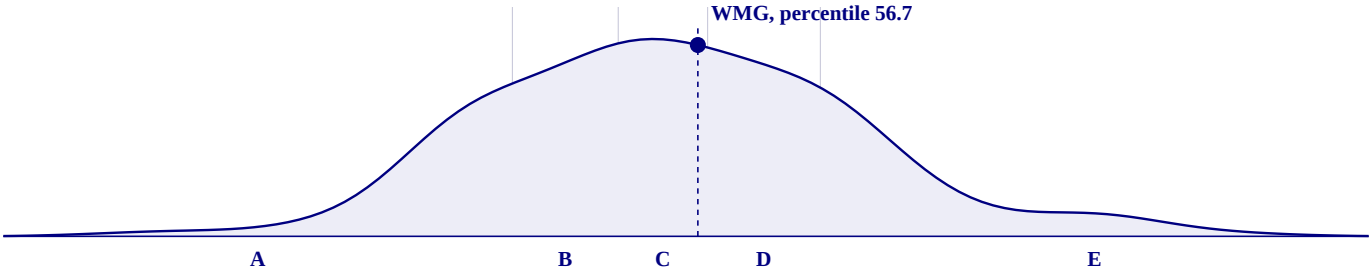
Accruals ratio	(1.2%)	(5.7%)	81.6	458	2026-09-30
Gross margin stability, five years	0.8 pts	2.2 pts	14.9	195	2026-09-30
Solvency, sleeve percentile 67.5					
Altman Z double-prime	(0.15)	2.06	64.9	357	2026-09-30
Net debt to EBITDA	2.59x	2.37x	56.4	173	2026-09-30
Interest coverage	not computable	2.93x			
latest aligned inputs end 2012-09-30; latest annual assets end 2026-09-30					
Current ratio	0.74x	1.33x	81.1	462	2026-09-30
Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 44.2					
Revenue growth, three-year compound	7.2%	4.9%	39.2	376	2026-09-30
Free cash flow growth, three-year compound	11.0%	8.7%	44.8	213	2026-09-30
Reinvestment rate	(0.8%)	13.3%	60.8	187	2026-09-30
Asset growth, three years	8.1%	4.1%	32.2	402	2026-09-30
Net share issuance, one year	not computable	(0.5%)			
raw and split-adjusted prices do not align at 2019-11-27					

Among 315 peers

other; 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
174	Neogenomics Inc. (NEO)	55.1	C	
175	United Airlines Holdings, Inc. (UAL)	55.4	C	
176	Life Time Group Holdings, Inc. (LTH)	55.7	C	
177	Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc. (HLT)	56.1	C	
178	Ameresco, Inc. (AMRC)	56.4	C	
179	Warner Music Group Corp. (WMG)	56.7	C	
180	Delta AIR Lines, Inc. (DAL)	57.0	C	
181	Equifax Inc. (EFX)	57.3	C/D	
182	GEE Group Inc. (JOB)	57.6	C/D	
183	Republic Services, Inc. (RSG)	58.0	C/D	
184	ManpowerGroup Inc. (MAN)	58.3	C/D	

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	(11.4%)	0.4%	41
Distance from 52-week high	(5.8%)	(28.8%)	92
EBIT to enterprise value	not computable	4.6%	
Free cash flow yield	not computable	4.1%	
Book value to price	not computable	0.39	
Sales to price	not computable	0.75	
Composite equity issuance, five years	not computable	(9.5%)	
Relative strength against the sector, log excess return	(0.24)	(0.12)	41

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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 2026-09-30	
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	pass
Asset turnover improved	pass
Cash, filings, liquidity	
Cash and equivalents	$589.0M
Operating cash flow, four quarters	$866.0M
Months of runway	not finite
Days since last periodic filing	4 (10-K received Nov 19, 2026)
Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions	$58.0M

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...	$7.4B	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
2	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfRevenue	$4.0B	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
3	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$10.8B	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
4	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	$1.2B	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
5	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc...	$1.0B	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
6	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	$309.0M	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
7	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$4.7B	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
8	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$932.0M	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
9	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$589.0M	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
10	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$4.4B	2025-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
11	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$647.0M	2025-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
12	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$532.0M	2025-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
13	net income	us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss	$741.0M	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
14	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$866.0M	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
15	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$9.8B	2025-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
16	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$6.7B	2025-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
17	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfRevenue	$3.6B	2025-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
18	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$6.4B	2024-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
19	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	$3.4B	2024-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
20	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$6.0B	2023-09-30	2025-11-20	10-K	25-000034
21	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	$3.2B	2023-09-30	2025-11-20	10-K	25-000034
22	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$5.9B	2022-09-30	2024-11-21	10-K	24-000039
23	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	$3.1B	2022-09-30	2024-11-21	10-K	24-000039
24	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$3.3B	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
25	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$4.4B	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
26	retained earnings	us-gaap:RetainedEarningsAccumulatedDeficit	-$997.0M	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
27	liabilities	us-gaap:Liabilities	$9.6B	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
28	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	$410.0M	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
29	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	$109.0M	2012-09-30	2014-12-11	10-K	14-006162
30	interest expense	us-gaap:InterestExpense	$225.0M	2012-09-30	2012-12-13	10-K	12-500884

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31	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$100.0M	2026-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
32	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$678.0M	2025-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
33	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$139.0M	2025-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
34	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$754.0M	2024-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
35	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$116.0M	2024-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
36	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$687.0M	2023-09-30	2025-11-20	10-K	25-000034
37	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets	$127.0M	2023-09-30	2025-11-20	10-K	25-000034
38	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$2.8B	2025-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
39	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$4.2B	2025-09-30	2026-11-19	10-K	26-000042
40	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$9.2B	2024-09-30	2025-11-20	10-K	25-000034
41	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$8.5B	2023-09-30	2024-11-21	10-K	24-000039
42	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	1,060	2019-11-27	2019-11-27	10-K	19-000010
43	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	1,052	2018-12-20	2018-12-20	10-K	18-031166

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