

Autonation, Inc. (AN)

NYSE; shops; SIC 5500, Retail-Auto Dealers & Gasoline Stations; CIK 0000350698

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Grade	C/D on the C/D boundary of 258 graded peers percentile 58.4; sampling error 2.9 points; lower is stronger
Rank	151 of 258
Profitability	C percentile 53.7
Solvency	D/E percentile 82.3
Growth and financing	B percentile 23.0
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 \$14.4B
Standard universe	inside revenue above \$1M and assets above \$10M
Warnings	none active not computable: distress
Inputs computable	8 of 14
Graded from	filings received through Feb 12, 2026 239 days before the rescans; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Jul 31, 2026
Last close	\$156.87 2026-10-08; market equity \$5.2B
Price used in grade	None

C/D, the tortoise

on the C/D boundary of its sector; letters are fifths of the 258 graded peers

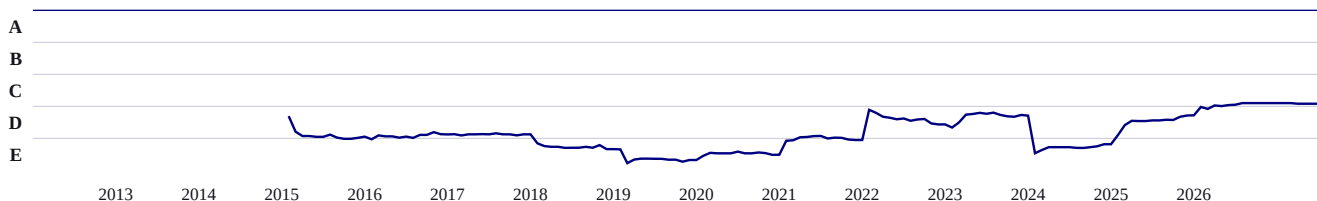
Share price, twelve months to the rescans

split-adjusted close; the letter is fixed at the rescans that set it

Rescans on file: E from Feb 21, 2024, D/E from Feb 21, 2025, D from Mar 21, 2025

Letter at every rescans

Jan 21, 2012 to Oct 9, 2026; sector percentile, 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 12, 2026

AutoNation, Inc., through its subsidiaries, is one of the largest automotive retailers in the United States. As of December 31, 2025, we owned and operated 323 new vehicle franchises from 245 stores located in the United States, predominantly in major metropolitan markets in the Sunbelt region. Our stores, which we believe include some of the most recognizable and well-known in our key markets, sell 30 different new vehicle brands.

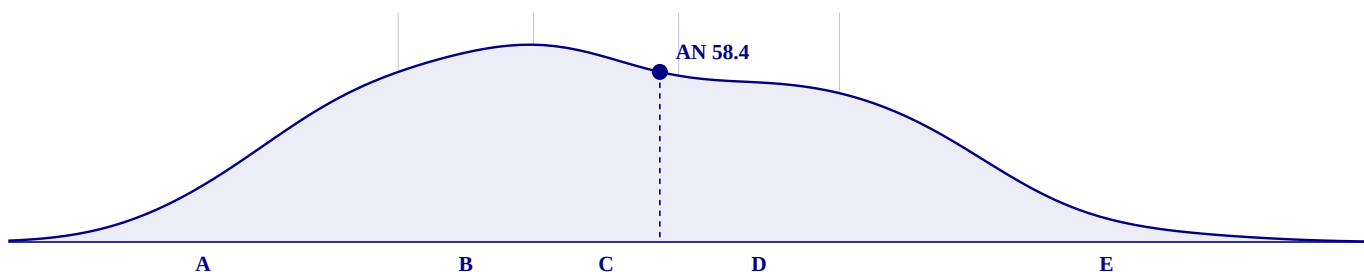
The fourteen inputs

lower percentile is stronger; equal-weighted sleeves

Input	Percentile, 0 to 100	Value	Peer median	Percentile	Peers	Period end
Profitability, sleeve percentile 53.7						
Gross profitability		34.4%	42.6%	61.4	242	2025-12-31
Return on invested capital		16.5%	10.9%	32.5	84	2025-12-31
Accruals ratio		3.9%	(4.9%)	96.2	287	2025-12-31
Gross margin stability, five years		0.7 pts	1.2 pts	24.8	219	2025-12-31
Solvency, sleeve percentile 82.3						
Twelve-month failure probability		not computable	0.04%			liabilities and a nearby cover-page share count are required at 2026-06-30
Altman Z double-prime		not computable	1.92			one or more required annual facts are missing latest aligned inputs end 2011-12-31; latest annual assets end 2025-12-31
Net debt to EBITDA		not computable	1.84x			one or more required annual facts are missing latest aligned inputs end 2011-12-31; latest annual assets end 2025-12-31
Interest coverage		not computable	2.26x			one or more required annual facts are missing latest aligned inputs end 2011-12-31; latest annual assets end 2025-12-31
Current ratio		0.84x	1.37x	82.3	295	2025-12-31
Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 23.0						
Revenue growth, three-year compound		0.8%	1.5%	53.4	269	2025-12-31
Free cash flow growth, three-year compound		not computable	5.6%			current FCF must be positive and base FCF must exceed \$100,000 latest aligned inputs end 2011-12-31; latest annual assets end 2025-12-31
Reinvestment rate		not computable	7.3%			latest aligned inputs end 2011-12-31; latest annual assets end 2025-12-31
Asset growth, three years		12.7%	3.4%	12.9	272	2025-12-31
Net share issuance, one year		(11.1%)	(0.6%)	2.9	211	2026-02-10

Among 258 peers

shops; 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
146	BlueLinx Holdings Inc. (BXC)	56.4	C	
147	Grocery Outlet Holding Corp. (GO)	56.8	C	
148	Distribution Solutions Group, Inc. (DSGR)	57.2	C/D	
149	Kroger Co. (KR)	57.6	C/D	
150	United Natural Foods Inc. (UNFI)	58.0	C/D	
151	Autonation, Inc. (AN) <	58.4	C/D	
152	Papa Johns International Inc. (PZZA)	58.8	C/D	
153	Autozone Inc. (AZO)	59.1	C/D	
154	Stitch Fix, Inc. (SFIX)	59.5	C/D	
155	Resideo Technologies, Inc. (REZI)	59.9	C/D	short runway
156	Albertsons Companies, Inc. (ACI)	60.3	C/D	

What the price implies

at the 2026-10-08 close; none enters the grade

Measure	Value	Peer median	Percentile
Twelve-month price change, skipping the latest month	(8.0%)	(0.1%)	40
Distance from 52-week high	(31.7%)	(24.1%)	41
EBIT to enterprise value	14.0%	5.3%	92
Free cash flow yield	(3.8%)	4.2%	16
Book value to price	0.44	0.36	55
Sales to price	5.32	1.75	84
Composite equity issuance, five years	(91.1%)	(16.7%)	1
Relative strength against the sector, log excess return	(0.06)	0.02	40

Diagnostics

not in the grade

Measure	Value
Piotroski F-score 5 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	fail
Long-term leverage fell	fail
Current ratio improved	pass
No new shares issued	pass
Gross margin improved	pass
Asset turnover improved	fail
Cash, filings, liquidity	
Cash and equivalents	\$53.3M
Operating cash flow, four quarters	\$293.3M
Months of runway	not finite
Days since last periodic filing	70 (10-Q received Jul 31, 2026)
Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions	\$84.8M

Sources

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#	Concept	XBRL tag	Value	Period end	Received	Form	Accession
1	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	\$4.9B	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
2	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$14.4B	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
3	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	\$1.2B	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
4	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeIncomeTaxesExtraordinaryItemsDeductibleItems	\$84.5M	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
5	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	\$235.4M	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
6	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebtAndCapitalLeaseObligations	\$3.7B	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
7	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	\$2.3B	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
8	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	\$58.6M	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
9	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebtAndCapitalLeaseObligations	\$2.6B	2024-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
10	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	\$2.5B	2024-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
11	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	\$59.8M	2024-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
12	net income	us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss	\$649.1M	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
13	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	\$111.9M	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
14	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$13.0B	2024-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
15	revenue	us-gaap:Revenues	\$27.6B	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
16	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	\$4.8B	2024-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
17	revenue	us-gaap:Revenues	\$26.8B	2024-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
18	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	\$5.1B	2023-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
19	revenue	us-gaap:Revenues	\$26.9B	2023-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
20	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	\$5.3B	2022-12-31	2025-02-14	10-K	0000350698-25-000029
21	revenue	us-gaap:Revenues	\$27.0B	2022-12-31	2025-02-14	10-K	0000350698-25-000029
22	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	\$5.0B	2021-12-31	2024-02-16	10-K	0000350698-24-000021
23	revenue	us-gaap:Revenues	\$25.8B	2021-12-31	2024-02-16	10-K	0000350698-24-000021
24	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebtAndCapitalLeaseObligations	\$1.6B	2011-12-31	2013-02-15	10-K	0000350698-13-000021
25	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	\$86.6M	2011-12-31	2015-02-11	10-K	0000350698-15-000045
26	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	\$572.0M	2011-12-31	2014-02-13	10-K	0000350698-14-000018
27	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	\$83.7M	2011-12-31	2012-02-13	10-K	0000350698-12-000016
28	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	\$4.6B	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
29	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	\$5.5B	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
30	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	\$309.4M	2025-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
31	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	\$314.7M	2024-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
32	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	\$328.5M	2024-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
33	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	\$724.0M	2023-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
34	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	\$410.3M	2023-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
35	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	\$1.7B	2022-12-31	2025-02-14	10-K	0000350698-25-000029
36	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	\$329.0M	2022-12-31	2025-02-14	10-K	0000350698-25-000029
37	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	\$149.1M	2011-12-31	2012-02-13	10-K	0000350698-12-000016
38	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeIncomeTaxesExtraordinaryItemsDeductibleItems	\$177.1M	2011-12-31	2014-02-13	10-K	0000350698-14-000018
39	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	\$177.1M	2011-12-31	2014-02-13	10-K	0000350698-14-000018
40	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	\$2.7B	2011-12-31	2013-02-15	10-K	0000350698-13-000021
41	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	\$2.5B	2011-12-31	2013-02-15	10-K	0000350698-13-000021
42	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	\$2.6B	2010-12-31	2012-02-13	10-K	0000350698-12-000016
43	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	\$2.4B	2010-12-31	2012-02-13	10-K	0000350698-12-000016
44	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$12.0B	2023-12-31	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
45	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$10.1B	2022-12-31	2025-02-14	10-K	0000350698-25-000029
46	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	34,710,538	2026-02-10	2026-02-12	10-K	0001628280-26-007800
47	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	39,056,586	2025-02-12	2025-02-14	10-K	0000350698-25-000029