

Kontoor Brands, Inc. (KTB)

NYSE; consumer nondurables; SIC 2320, Men's & Boys' Furnishgs, Work Clothg, & Allied Garments; CIK 0001760965

Kontoor Brands, Inc. KTB; consumer nondurables	
Grade	A A B C D E strongest fifth of 124 graded peers percentile 13.0; sampling error 3.8 points; lower is stronger
Rank	17 of 124
Profitability	A/B percentile 20.3
Solvency	C percentile 48.9
Growth and financing	B percentile 30.3
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 active not computable: distress
Inputs computable	12 of 14
Graded from	filings received through Mar 4, 2026 219 days before the rescans; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Aug 12, 2026
Last close	\$66.21 2026-10-08; market equity \$3.6B
Price used in grade	None

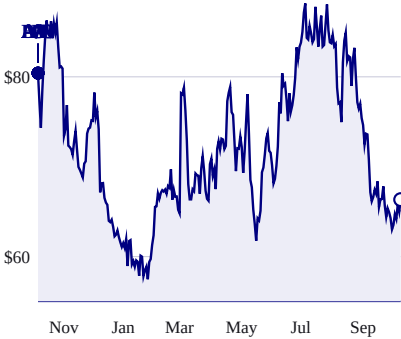


A, the bull

strongest fifth of its sector;
letters are fifths of the 124
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: A/B from Sep 21, 2024, A from Nov 21, 2024, A/B from Feb 21, 2025, A from Apr 21, 2025

Letter at every rescanscan

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 Mar 4, 2026

Kontoor Brands, Inc. (collectively with its subsidiaries, "Kontoor," the "Company," "we," "us" or "our") is a global lifestyle apparel company, with a portfolio led by three of the world's most iconic consumer brands: Wrangler®, Lee® and Helly Hansen®. The Company designs, manufactures, procures, sells and licenses apparel, footwear and accessories, primarily under the brand names Wrangler®, Lee® and Helly Hansen®. Our products are sold through wholesale and direct-to-consumer channels in the United States

("U.S.") and internationally, primarily in the Europe, Middle East and Africa ("EMEA"), Asia-Pacific ("APAC") and Non-U.S. Americas regions.

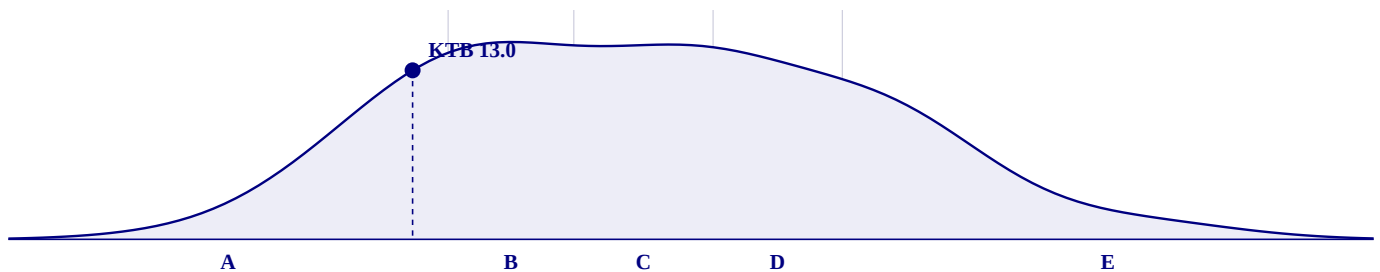
The fourteen inputs

lower percentile is stronger; equal-weighted sleeves

Input	Percentile, 0 to 100	Value	Peer median	Percentile	Peers	Period end
Profitability, sleeve percentile 20.3						
Gross profitability		55.1%	29.8%	16.6	146	2026-01-03
Return on invested capital		21.2%	5.6%	12.5	49	2026-01-03
Accruals ratio		(10.8%)	(5.0%)	21.7	153	2026-01-03
Gross margin stability, five years		1.3 pts	1.9 pts	30.4	116	2026-01-03
Solvency, sleeve percentile 48.9						
Twelve-month failure probability		not computable	0.03%			latest liabilities, cash plus short-term investments, book equity, and shares are required
Altman Z double-prime		2.75	3.11	48.8	122	2026-01-03
Net debt to EBITDA		2.69x	2.54x	55.6	55	2026-01-03
Interest coverage		not computable	2.51x			latest aligned inputs end 2023-12-30; latest annual assets end 2026-01-03
Current ratio		1.82x	1.81x	42.3	157	2026-01-03
Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 30.3						
Revenue growth, three-year compound		6.2%	0.2%	22.0	133	2026-01-03
Free cash flow growth, three-year compound		88.2%	14.9%	6.2	66	2026-01-03
Reinvestment rate		(82.2%)	10.7%	79.7	70	2026-01-03
Asset growth, three years		17.7%	0.5%	6.0	134	2026-01-03
Net share issuance, one year		(0.1%)	0.05%	37.9	104	2026-02-27

Among 124 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
12	Sanfilippo John B & SON Inc. (JBSS)	8.9	A	
13	Vita Coco Company, Inc. (COCO)	9.8	A	
14	Columbia Sportswear Co. (COLM)	10.6	A	
15	Steven Madden, Ltd. (SHOO)	11.4	A	
16	G III Apparel Group Ltd. (GIII)	12.2	A	fortress
				balance sheet
17	Kontoor Brands, Inc. (KTB) <	13.0	A	

18	Yeti Holdings, Inc. (YETI)	13.8	A
19	Tootsie Roll Industries Inc. (TR)	14.6	A
20	Escalade Inc. (ESCA)	15.4	A fortress balance sheet
21	American Outdoor Brands, Inc. (AOUT)	16.3	A/B
22	Interface Inc. (TILE)	17.1	A/B

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	(4.1%)	(0.2%)	43
Distance from 52-week high	(24.8%)	(24.8%)	50
EBIT to enterprise value	7.1%	4.1%	71
Free cash flow yield	12.0%	4.8%	81
Book value to price	0.17	0.57	20
Sales to price	0.87	1.20	35
Composite equity issuance, five years	(23.9%)	(16.3%)	25
Relative strength against the sector, log excess return	(0.14)	(0.10)	43

Diagnostics

not in the grade

Measure	Value
Piotroski F-score 6 of 9, period end 2026-01-03	
Return on assets above zero	pass
Operating cash flow above zero	pass
Return on assets improved	fail
Operating cash flow exceeds net income	pass
Long-term leverage fell	fail
Current ratio improved	fail
No new shares issued	pass
Gross margin improved	pass
Asset turnover improved	pass
Cash, filings, liquidity	
Cash and equivalents	\$58.5M
Operating cash flow, four quarters	\$446.1M
Months of runway	not finite
Days since last periodic filing	58 (10-Q received Aug 12, 2026)
Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions	\$49.2M

Sources

each row links to the filing index on sec.gov

#	Concept	XBRL tag	Value	Period end	Received	Form	Accession
1	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingAssessedTax	\$3.2B	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
2	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	\$1.7B	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
3	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$2.6B	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
4	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	\$336.8M	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
5	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeIncomeTaxesExtraordinaryItemsDeductibleItems	\$288.5M	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
6	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	\$71.2M	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
7	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	\$1.1B	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
8	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	\$564.9M	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
9	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	\$108.4M	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
10	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	\$740.3M	2024-12-28	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
11	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	\$400.1M	2024-12-28	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
12	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	\$334.1M	2024-12-28	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
13	net income	us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss	\$227.5M	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
14	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	\$455.8M	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
15	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$1.7B	2024-12-28	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
16	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingAssessedTax	\$2.6B	2024-12-28	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014

17	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	\$1.4B	2024-12-28	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
18	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingAssessedTax	\$2.6B	2023-12-30	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
19	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	\$1.5B	2023-12-30	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
20	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingAssessedTax	\$2.6B	2022-12-31	2025-02-25	10-K	0001760965-25-000011
21	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	\$1.5B	2022-12-31	2025-02-25	10-K	0001760965-25-000011
22	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingAssessedTax	\$2.5B	2022-01-01	2024-02-28	10-K	0001760965-24-000013
23	cost of revenue	us-gaap:CostOfGoodsAndServicesSold	\$1.4B	2022-01-01	2024-02-28	10-K	0001760965-24-000013
24	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	\$1.1B	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
25	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	\$593.6M	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
26	retained earnings	us-gaap:RetainedEarningsAccumulatedDeficit	\$274.3M	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
27	liabilities	us-gaap:Liabilities	\$2.0B	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
28	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	\$47.8M	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
29	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	\$319.3M	2023-12-30	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
30	interest expense	us-gaap:InterestExpense	\$40.4M	2023-12-30	2024-02-28	10-K	0001760965-24-000013
31	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	\$21.0M	2026-01-03	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
32	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	\$368.2M	2024-12-28	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
33	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	\$18.8M	2024-12-28	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
34	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	\$356.5M	2023-12-30	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
35	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	\$27.4M	2023-12-30	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
36	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	\$83.6M	2022-12-31	2025-02-25	10-K	0001760965-25-000011
37	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	\$18.4M	2022-12-31	2025-02-25	10-K	0001760965-25-000011
38	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	\$1.1B	2024-12-28	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
39	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	\$393.9M	2024-12-28	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
40	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$1.6B	2023-12-30	2025-02-25	10-K	0001760965-25-000011
41	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$1.6B	2022-12-31	2024-02-28	10-K	0001760965-24-000013
42	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	55,254,141	2026-02-27	2026-03-04	10-K	0001760965-26-000014
43	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	55,326,048	2025-02-21	2025-02-25	10-K	0001760965-25-000011