

Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc. (KTOS)

Nasdaq; manufacturing; SIC 3760, Guided Missiles & Space Vehicles & Parts; CIK 0001069258

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Grade	A strongest fifth of 255 graded peers percentile 16.9; sampling error 3.0 points; lower is stronger
Rank	44 of 255
Profitability	D percentile 65.9
Solvency	A/B percentile 18.8
Growth and financing	B percentile 29.6
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 \$2.5B
Standard universe	inside revenue above \$1M and assets above \$10M
Warnings	none active; fortress balance sheet not computable: distress
Inputs computable	9 of 14
Graded from	filings received through Feb 23, 2026 228 days before the rescans; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Aug 4, 2026
Last close	\$41.93 2026-10-08; market equity \$7.9B
Price used in grade	None



A, the bull

strongest fifth of its sector;
letters are fifths of the 255
graded peers

Share price, twelve months to the rescan

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



Rescans on file: D from Feb 21, 2025, B from Mar 21, 2025, A/B from Mar 21,

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 23, 2026

Kratos is a technology, hardware, products, system and software company addressing the defense, national security, and commercial markets. Kratos makes true internally funded research, development, capital and other investments, to rapidly develop, produce and field relevant solutions that address our customers' mission critical needs and requirements. At Kratos, affordability is a technology, and we seek to utilize proven, leading edge approaches and technology, not unproven bleeding edge approaches or technology, with

Kratos' approach designed to reduce cost, schedule and risk, enabling us to be first to market with cost effective solutions.

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 65.9						
Gross profitability		12.5%	21.9%	81.0	275	2025-12-28
Return on invested capital		not computable	9.7%			latest aligned inputs end 2021-12-26; latest annual assets end 2025-12-28
Accruals ratio		2.9%	(3.6%)	87.3	308	2025-12-28
Gross margin stability, five years		1.6 pts	2.1 pts	29.4	229	2025-12-28
Solvency, sleeve percentile 18.8						
Twelve-month failure probability		not computable	0.04%			latest liabilities, cash plus short-term investments, book equity, and shares are required
Altman Z double-prime		6.20	3.66	20.6	244	2025-12-28
Net debt to EBITDA		not computable	1.78x			latest aligned inputs end 2021-12-26; latest annual assets end 2025-12-28
Interest coverage		not computable	5.09x			one or more required annual facts are missing
Current ratio		4.06x	2.25x	17.0	325	2025-12-28
Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 29.6						
Revenue growth, three-year compound		14.5%	2.1%	13.8	269	2025-12-28
Free cash flow growth, three-year compound		not computable	13.9%			current FCF must be positive and base FCF must exceed \$100,000
Reinvestment rate		2,563.9%	26.4%	0.7	139	2025-12-28
Asset growth, three years		16.7%	4.4%	14.0	279	2025-12-28
Net share issuance, one year		11.4%	0.01%	89.7	243	2026-02-20

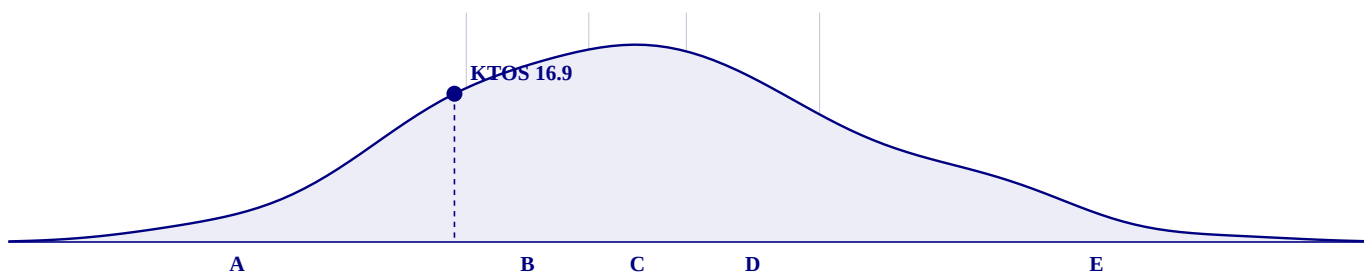
Warnings

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

Check	Measured
Fortress balance sheet	cash minus debt is 52,700,000 USD; Altman Z is not used

Among 255 peers

manufacturing; 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
39	Kadant Inc. (KAI)	15.0	A	
40	NwpX Infrastructure, Inc. (NWPX)	15.4	A	
41	Axcelis Technologies Inc. (ACLS)	15.7	A	
42	Gencor Industries Inc. (GENC)	16.1	A	late filer,
				fortress
				balance sheet
43	Movado Group Inc. (MOV)	16.5	A	
44	Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc. (KTOS) <	16.9	A	fortress
				balance sheet
45	Moog Inc. (MOG-A)	17.5	A/B	
46	Moog Inc. (MOG-B)	17.5	A/B	
47	Douglas Dynamics, Inc. (PLOW)	18.1	A/B	
48	Mueller Water Products, Inc. (MWA)	18.5	A/B	
49	Power Solutions International, Inc. (PSIX)	18.9	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	(44.2%)	13.7%	6
Distance from 52-week high	(67.9%)	(24.3%)	5
EBIT to enterprise value	0.4%	4.1%	22
Free cash flow yield	(1.7%)	3.4%	18
Book value to price	0.44	0.34	59
Sales to price	0.17	0.54	11
Composite equity issuance, five years	41.9%	(9.5%)	91
Relative strength against the sector, log excess return	(0.72)	(0.00)	6

Diagnostics

not in the grade

Measure	Value
Piotroski F-score 4 of 9, period end 2025-12-28	
Return on assets above zero	pass
Operating cash flow above zero	fail
Return on assets improved	pass
Operating cash flow exceeds net income	fail
Long-term leverage fell	pass
Current ratio improved	pass
No new shares issued	fail
Gross margin improved	fail
Asset turnover improved	fail
Cash, filings, liquidity	
Cash and equivalents	\$1.4B
Operating cash flow, four quarters	-\$39.6M
Months of runway	435.6

Days since last periodic filing

66 (10-Q received Aug 4, 2026)

Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions

\$187.0M

Sources

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#	Concept	XBRL tag	Value	Period end	Received	Form	Accession
1	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	\$307.9M	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
2	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$2.5B	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
3	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	\$27.9M	2021-12-26	2024-02-13	10-K	0001069258-24-000007
4	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeIncomeTaxesExtraordinaryItemsDeductibleItems	\$27.9M	2021-12-26	2024-02-13	10-K	0001069258-24-000007
5	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	\$3.9M	2021-12-26	2024-02-13	10-K	0001069258-24-000007
6	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	\$296.7M	2021-12-26	2023-02-23	10-K	0001069258-23-000008
7	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquityIncludingPortionAttributableToNoncontrollingInterests	\$915.1M	2021-12-26	2025-02-26	10-K	0001069258-25-000008
8	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	\$349.4M	2021-12-26	2023-02-23	10-K	0001069258-23-000008
9	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	\$301.5M	2020-12-27	2022-02-22	10-K	0001069258-22-000014
10	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquityIncludingPortionAttributableToNoncontrollingInterests	\$915.1M	2020-12-27	2024-02-13	10-K	0001069258-24-000007
11	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	\$380.8M	2020-12-27	2022-02-22	10-K	0001069258-22-000014
12	net income	us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss	\$22.0M	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
13	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	-\$42.1M	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
14	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$2.0B	2024-12-29	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
15	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingAssessedTax	\$1.3B	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
16	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	\$287.2M	2024-12-29	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
17	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingAssessedTax	\$1.1B	2024-12-29	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
18	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	\$268.6M	2023-12-31	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
19	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingAssessedTax	\$1.0B	2023-12-31	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
20	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	\$226.0M	2022-12-25	2025-02-26	10-K	0001069258-25-000008
21	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingAssessedTax	\$898.3M	2022-12-25	2025-02-26	10-K	0001069258-25-000008
22	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	\$225.1M	2021-12-26	2024-02-13	10-K	0001069258-24-000007
23	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingAssessedTax	\$811.5M	2021-12-26	2024-02-13	10-K	0001069258-24-000007
24	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	\$11.3B	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
25	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	\$311.0M	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
26	retained earnings	us-gaap:RetainedEarningsAccumulatedDeficit	-\$641.9M	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
27	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	\$25.6M	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
28	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	\$2.0B	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
29	liabilities	us-gaap:Liabilities	\$470.9M	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
30	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	\$25.7M	2021-12-26	2024-02-13	10-K	0001069258-24-000007
31	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets	\$95.3M	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
32	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	\$49.7M	2024-12-29	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
33	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets	\$58.2M	2024-12-29	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
34	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivitiesContinuingOperations	\$65.2M	2023-12-31	2024-02-13	10-K	0001069258-24-000007
35	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets	\$52.4M	2023-12-31	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
36	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivitiesContinuingOperations	\$85.6M	2022-12-25	2024-02-13	10-K	0001069258-24-000007
37	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquireProductiveAssets	\$45.4M	2022-12-25	2025-02-26	10-K	0001069258-25-000008
38	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	\$47.1M	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
39	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeIncomeTaxesExtraordinaryItemsDeductibleItems	\$14.0M	2021-12-26	2024-02-13	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
40	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	\$12.0M	2025-12-28	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
41	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	\$872.1M	2024-12-29	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
42	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	\$296.7M	2024-12-29	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
43	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$1.6B	2023-12-31	2025-02-26	10-K	0001069258-25-000008
44	assets	us-gaap:Assets	\$1.6B	2022-12-25	2024-02-13	10-K	0001069258-24-000007
45	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	170,329,158	2026-02-20	2026-02-23	10-K	0001069258-26-000013
46	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	152,842,507	2025-02-21	2025-02-26	10-K	0001069258-25-000008