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Weekly Investor Report

Karat Packaging Inc · Consumer Cyclical · Packaging & Containers

LATEST CLOSE

39.52 USD

3.8% latest week

Weekly setup

Constructive, but selective

The weekly trend is active. Price is 41.8% above the Trend Line and sits at 99.8% of its 52-week range. The latest completed week returned 3.8%, after a 24.6% four-week move. The latest factor snapshot indicates quality is middle-of-the-pack; growth is moderate; valuation is expensive relative to peers. The latest news-sentiment score is 54/100. Near-term considerations: price is close to its 52-week high; earnings are due in 7d.

Technical setup score 76/100. This score describes the weekly technical setup; the conclusion above also considers fundamentals, positioning, sentiment, and event risk.

LATEST CLOSE	1W RETURN	4W RETURN
39.52 USD	3.8%	24.6%
24 Jul 2026	latest completed week	short-term follow-through

12W RETURN	TREND BREADTH	VOLUME RATIO
38.7%	44.2%	1.0x
quarterly tape	23 of 52 weeks active	vs 13-week average

What is working

- The trend backdrop is active with a 23-week active streak.
- Price is above the Trend Line, keeping the weekly tape constructive.
- Price is above Fair Value, showing premium demand versus the model.
- Activity pressure is positive on the latest completed week.

What could go wrong

- 4 reversal markers appear in the recent smart-money tape.

What to watch next

- Price is close to its 52-week high; watch for continuation or exhaustion.
- Trend Line remains the key weekly regime level.
- Activity pressure is the gauge to monitor for confirmation or fade.
- A volume ratio above 1.5x would show stronger participation in the next move.

This week's evidence at a glance

PRICE FOLLOW-THROUGH	INDICATOR STACK	TREND BACKDROP	PATIENT CAPITAL
3.8%	69/83	Active	Quiet
Latest completed week; four-week move 24.6%.	Trend and activity pressure are weighted against the latest 12-week confirmation window.	The trend backdrop defines the current weekly regime.	Activity-pressure buy-signal status for institutional accumulation timing.

NEXT-WEEK EXPECTANCY	NEWS SENTIMENT	EVENT RISK
Positive 55.17%	54/100	7d
Historical one-week expectancy contributes to the evidence score when direction is confirmed.	45 relevant articles in the latest sentiment read.	Next report is scheduled for 06 Aug 2026; event risk rises as the date approaches.

01 · PRICE ACTION

Where price is—and whether the trend supports it

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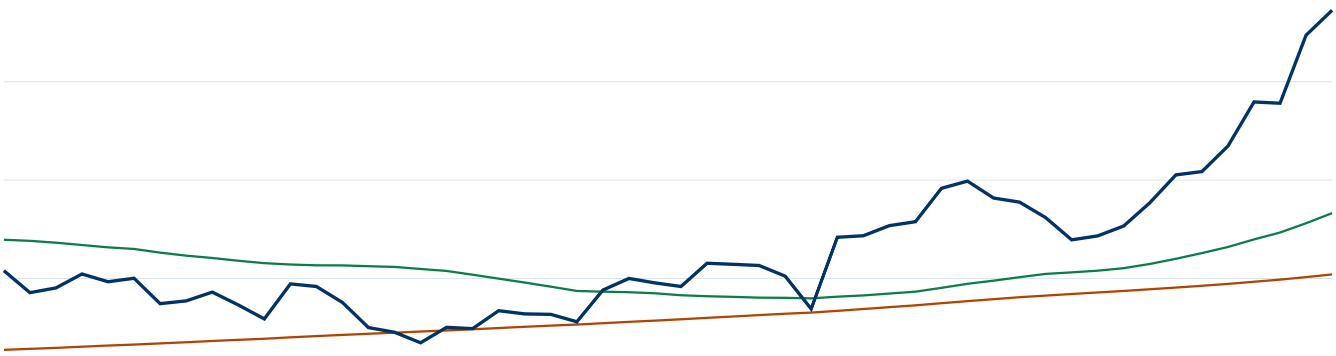
52-week price path



Blue: weekly close · Green: Trend Line · Orange: Sharemaestro Fair Value

Position in the 52-week range

19.80 USD
39.56 USD

Latest close sits at 99.8% of the 52-week range.

RANGE LOCATION

99.8%

Shows where the latest close sits between the 52-week low and high.

TREND DISTANCE

41.8%

Price premium or discount versus the weekly Trend Line.

FAIR-VALUE GAP

62.4%

Premium demand or model discount versus Sharemaestro Fair Value.

HIGH-WATER GAP

-0.1%

Distance from the latest 52-week high.

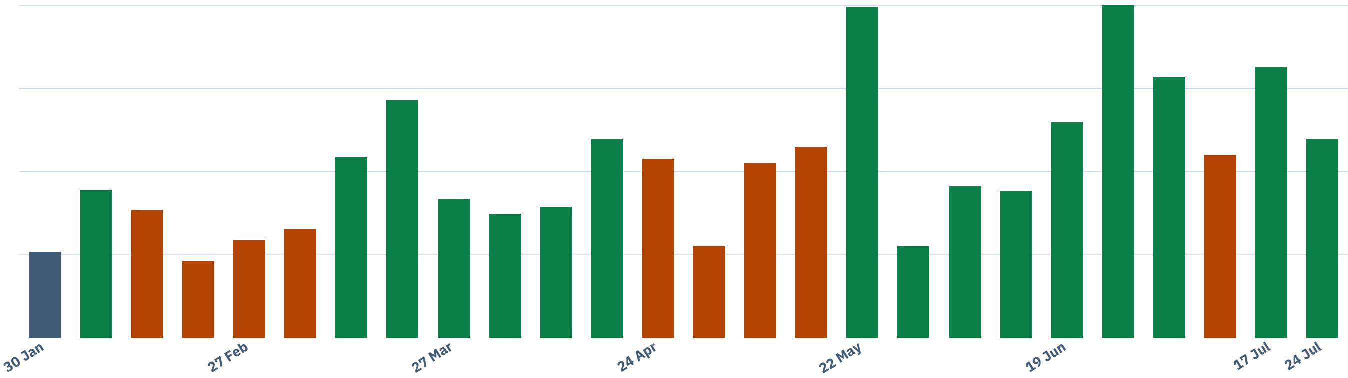
02 · VOLUME AND DEMAND

Is real participation confirming the move?

Latest weekly volume is 1.0x the 13-week average. Participation is around or above normal and provides reasonable confirmation.

26-week volume confirmation

Bar height shows weekly volume. Green marks an up week; orange marks a down week.



PARTICIPATION

1.0x

Latest volume versus the 13-week average.

BASELINE

549.1K

13-week average volume.

ONE-YEAR BASE

476.1K

52-week average volume.

LATEST WEEKLY VOLUME

537.5K

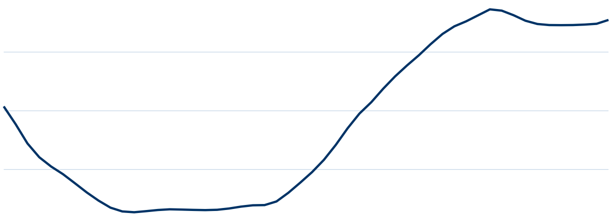
Most recent completed week.

Demand beneath price

Activity pressure and institutional-style signals

These indicators assess whether participation is improving beneath price. They are supporting evidence, not proof of institutional buying.

Activity pressure path



Latest 0.83 · 12-week average 0.83

12-week confirmation

Signal	Read	Meaning
Trend active	12/12	Active trend-backdrop weeks in the latest 12-week window.
Positive pressure	12/12	Weeks with constructive activity pressure in the latest 12-week window.
Positive leadership	7/12	Weeks with positive relative leadership in the latest 12-week window.
Activity pressure	0.83	Current proprietary activity-pressure read.
Buy signals	0	Accumulation signal count in the latest 12 weeks.
Reversal markers	4	4 reversal markers

No recent accumulation markers. 4 reversal markers.

03 · MOMENTUM AND LEADERSHIP

Is performance persistent—and is the stock leading?

Performance is 24.6% over four weeks, 38.7% over 12 weeks, and 50.8% over one year. The current trend has remained active for 23 consecutive weeks.

Performance by holding period

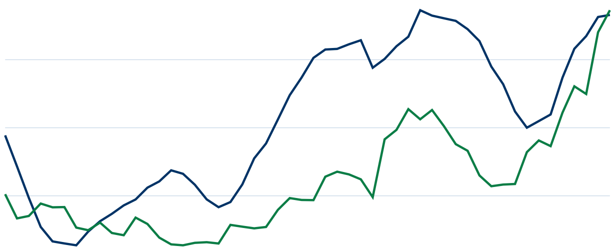
1W	3.8%
4W	24.6%
12W	38.7%
26W	65.7%
52W	50.8%

ACTIVE TREND STREAK
23 weeks
Consecutive active weeks.

ACTIVE WEEKS
23
Latest 52 weeks.

TREND BREADTH
44.2%
Share of active weeks.

Activity pressure vs relative leadership



Blue: activity pressure · Green: relative leadership

PRESSURE
1.40
Latest activity-pressure read.

PRESSURE CHANGE
97.5%
Four-week change in activity pressure.

LEADERSHIP
41.87
Latest relative-leadership reading.

RS CHANGE
273.6%
Four-week change in relative leadership.

Technical setup scorecard

Trend	69
Momentum	100
Activity Pressure	83
Relative Leadership	100
Next-Week Expectancy	78
Volume	41
Smart Money	55
Risk Control	83

04 · FUNDAMENTALS AND VALUATION

What investors are paying for—and the quality behind it

The latest factor snapshot indicates quality is middle-of-the-pack; growth is moderate; valuation is expensive relative to peers.

FACTOR WEEK	STATEMENTS THROUGH	FIELD COVERAGE	MODEL CONFIDENCE
26 Jul 2026	31 Dec 2025	100%	96%
Latest published factor snapshot.	Financial reporting period used.	Available factor fields.	Snapshot confidence.

Relative factor standing

Higher display scores are better. Each score is converted from the underlying universe rank, where rank 1 is best.

Overall factor strength	46/100
Value	21/100
Quality	67/100
Momentum	81/100
Growth	70/100

Valuation

How much investors are paying for earnings, sales, and cash flow.

P/E Price divided by trailing earnings.	24.8x
PRICE / SALES Market value relative to trailing revenue.	1.6x
EV / EBITDA Enterprise value relative to operating cash earnings.	13.6x
FREE-CASH-FLOW YIELD Free cash flow as a share of enterprise value.	4.5%

Business quality

Margins and the return generated on invested capital.

GROSS MARGIN Gross profit retained from each unit of revenue.	35.7%
OPERATING MARGIN Operating profit retained from revenue.	9.9%
FREE-CASH-FLOW MARGIN Free cash flow generated from revenue.	7.9%
RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL Operating return generated on invested capital.	18.5%

04 · FUNDAMENTALS AND VALUATION · CONTINUED

Growth, shareholder returns, and balance-sheet strength

The second half of the fundamental read separates recent business growth from cash returned to shareholders and financial leverage.

Growth and financial strength

Recent business growth and accounting strength.

REVENUE GROWTH Latest one-year revenue growth.	**11.7%**
EPS GROWTH Latest one-year earnings-per-share growth.	**5.3%**
FREE-CASH-FLOW GROWTH Latest one-year free-cash-flow growth.	**-31.0%**
PIOTROSKI F-SCORE Nine-point accounting-strength checklist.	**5/9**

Shareholder return and balance sheet

Cash returned to owners and financial leverage.

DIVIDEND YIELD Cash dividends relative to market value.	**4.6%**
BUYBACK YIELD Net share repurchases relative to market value.	**0.3%**
SHAREHOLDER YIELD Dividend yield plus net buyback yield.	**4.9%**
NET DEBT / EBITDA Balance-sheet debt relative to operating cash earnings.	**0.8x**

How to read this

Quality and valuation are separate questions. A strong company can still carry a demanding valuation, so profitability, growth, balance-sheet strength, and the price paid for those characteristics should be assessed independently.

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05 · OWNERSHIP, OPTIONS, AND SENTIMENT

What other market participants are doing

Options, insider transactions, market sentiment, and activity-pressure signals can confirm or challenge the price story. None should be used alone.

Insider activity

6 / 9

6 acquisitions and 9 disposals in the latest 180-day insider tape.
Acquisitions / disposals over the latest 180 days. Insider activity is context, not a stand-alone signal.

News sentiment

54/100

Weighted news tone is neutral across 45 relevant articles.

13 positive · 27 neutral · 5 negative

Patient Capital

Quiet

Activity-pressure buy-signal evidence highlights potential institutional accumulation windows.
No recent buy signal

06 · CATALYSTS AND RISK

What can move the shares—and how volatile the path has been

Event timing, options-implied movement, drawdown, and weekly gains and losses frame the risk around the current setup.

NEXT EARNINGS
7d
Next report is scheduled for 06 Aug 2026; event risk rises as the date approaches.

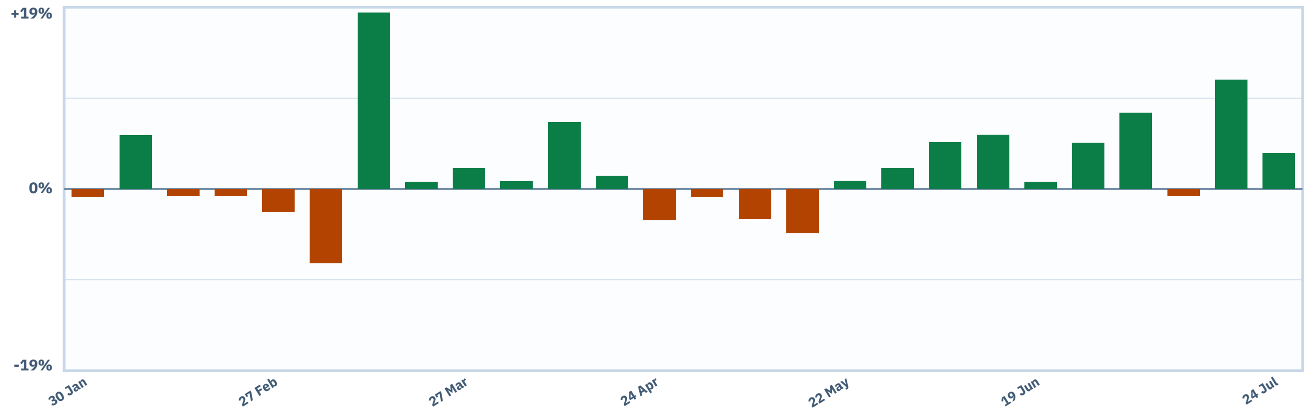
OPTIONS EXPECTED MOVE
-
Nearest-chain priced movement where available.

52-WEEK DRAWDOWN
-0.1%
Distance below the 52-week high.

13-WEEK VOLATILITY
4.3%
Standard deviation of weekly returns.

Weekly gains and losses

Each bar is one completed week. Gains rise above zero; losses fall below it. Taller bars mean a larger move.



WEEKS HIGHER
16 of 26
10 weeks finished lower.

BEST WEEK
+18.4%
Week of 13 Mar.

WORST WEEK
-7.8%
Week of 6 Mar.

LATEST WEEK
+3.8%
Week of 24 Jul.

Shape of recent returns

Strong gains	8
Modest gains	8
Flat weeks	-
Modest losses	8
Sharp losses	2

RECENT VOL
4.3%
13-week weekly-return volatility.

BASE VOL
4.8%
52-week weekly-return volatility.

UP/DOWN SPLIT
26/26
Count of positive and negative weeks in the 52-week window.

AVERAGE SKEW
4.5% / -2.7%
Average positive week versus average negative week.

07 · SECTOR AND PEER CONTEXT

Is this stock leading—or simply moving with its group?

Sector and industry breadth distinguish company-specific strength from a broad group move.

Sector · US Consumer Cyclical

4-WEEK RANK
- / 100
Standing within the tracked group.

GROUP AVERAGE
-0.8%
Average four-week return.

TREND BREADTH
36.0%
Share of peers with an active trend.

Peer	Exchange	1W return	4W return	Trend
PAG	NYSE	7.2%	19.3%	Active
JD	NASDAQ	1.9%	18.9%	Active
BABA	NYSE	-2.5%	18.3%	Inactive
MUSA	NYSE	-0.9%	16.5%	Active
PSNYW	NASDAQ	-46.9%	16.5%	Inactive

Industry · US Packaging & Containers

4-WEEK RANK
1 / 22
Standing within the tracked group.

GROUP AVERAGE
0.7%
Average four-week return.

TREND BREADTH
59.1%
Share of peers with an active trend.

Peer	Exchange	1W return	4W return	Trend
KRT	NASDAQ	3.8%	24.6%	Active
IP	NYSE	12.2%	8.8%	Inactive
MGIH	NASDAQ	5.2%	8.0%	Active
CCK	NYSE	0.6%	6.6%	Active
SON	NYSE	2.9%	5.7%	Active

08 · EVIDENCE AND WEEKLY DATA

The underlying research record

Every top-level statement should be traceable to a stored market, fundamental, event, or positioning observation.

Cross-signal evidence matrix

Evidence pillar	Score / read	Summary	Detail
Weekly tape	73/100	Trend, activity pressure, participation, and risk combine to a 73/100 tape read.	
Indicator analysis	73/100	Latest 12-week confirmation: trend 12/12, activity pressure 12/12, relative leadership 7/12.	Activity pressure 0.83; 4 reversal markers
Next-Week Expectancy	Positive 55.17%	Next-week expectancy is positive with a 55.17% historical one-week setup read.	Adds short-term historical context without overriding trend, activity, or relative leadership.
Factors	52/100	O'Shaughnessy factor stack blends value, quality, momentum, and confidence.	Buyback Yield rank 37; Small Cap Core rank 74
SVQF	48/100	Value and quality alignment from the Sharemaestro SVQF framework.	Composite rank 374.5 of 726
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Sentiment	54/100	Weighted news tone is neutral across 45 relevant articles.	Karat Packaging Inc (KRT) Technical Analysis: Support, Resistance, Indicators & Moving Averages
Insiders	6 / 9	6 acquisitions and 9 disposals in the latest 180-day insider tape.	
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Current evidence clusters

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Recent completed weeks

The completed weekly bars behind the report provide a compact audit trail for price, trend, Fair Value, activity pressure, leadership, and volume.

Week	Close	Return	Trend Line	Fair Value	Pressure	Leadership	Volume	Trend
24 Jul 2026	39.52 USD	3.8%	27.86 USD	24.34 USD	1.40	41.87	537.5K	On
17 Jul 2026	38.09 USD	11.4%	27.28 USD	24.18 USD	1.38	35.28	731.9K	On
10 Jul 2026	34.18 USD	-0.2%	26.75 USD	24.04 USD	1.17	16.80	494.2K	On
03 Jul 2026	34.25 USD	8.0%	26.35 USD	23.92 USD	1.03	19.10	705.4K	On
26 Jun 2026	31.72 USD	4.9%	25.91 USD	23.79 USD	0.71	11.21	898.3K	On
19 Jun 2026	30.25 USD	0.6%	25.57 USD	23.68 USD	0.30	1.18	583.7K	On
12 Jun 2026	30.06 USD	5.7%	25.24 USD	23.58 USD	0.23	2.89	397.3K	On
05 Jun 2026	28.45 USD	4.9%	24.94 USD	23.49 USD	0.16	-0.61	409.5K	On
29 May 2026	27.12 USD	2.1%	24.70 USD	23.39 USD	0.34	-10.15	248.9K	On
22 May 2026	26.55 USD	0.8%	24.55 USD	23.30 USD	0.64	-10.32	894.7K	On
15 May 2026	26.33 USD	-4.6%	24.45 USD	23.21 USD	0.83	-10.82	515.5K	On
08 May 2026	27.61 USD	-3.1%	24.37 USD	23.12 USD	1.11	-7.59	471.5K	On
01 May 2026	28.49 USD	-0.8%	24.18 USD	23.02 USD	1.24	-0.22	249.6K	On
24 Apr 2026	28.73 USD	-3.3%	23.98 USD	22.91 USD	1.33	1.78	482.8K	On

How to use this report

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