ZIP · NYSE · WEEK ENDED 24 JUL 2026

Weekly Investor Report

Ziprecruiter Inc · Communication Services · Internet Content & Information

LATEST CLOSE

3.90 USD

-1.5% latest week

Weekly setup

Mixed setup

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Technical setup score 37/100. This score describes the weekly technical setup; the conclusion above also considers fundamentals, positioning, sentiment, and event risk.

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24 Jul 2026

1W RETURN

-1.5%

latest completed week

4W RETURN

-1.0%

short-term follow-through

12W RETURN

26.2%

quarterly tape

TREND BREADTH

5.8%

3 of 52 weeks active

VOLUME RATIO

0.7x

vs 13-week average

What is working

- The trend backdrop is active with a 3-week active streak.
- Price is above the Trend Line, keeping the weekly tape constructive.
- Activity pressure is positive on the latest completed week.

What could go wrong

- Price is below Fair Value, so the market is still discounting the latest tape.
- Next-week expectancy is negative at 38.02% based on similar historical setup states.
- The share remains more than 20% below its 52-week high.

What to watch next

- 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

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14/69

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NEWS SENTIMENT

47/100

54 relevant articles in the latest sentiment read.

EVENT RISK

6d

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01 · PRICE ACTION

Where price is—and whether the trend supports it

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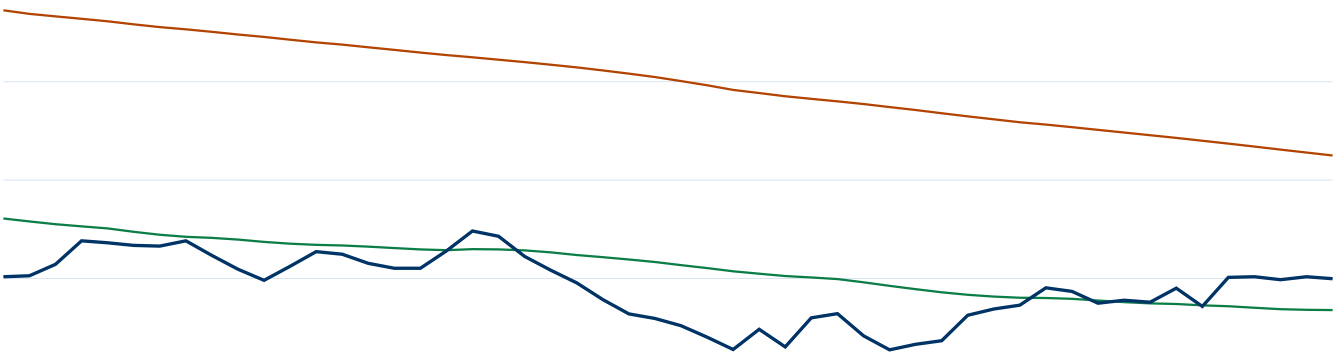
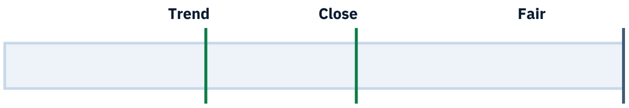
52-week price path



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

Position in the 52-week range



1.65 USD 5.61 USD

Latest close sits at 56.8% of the 52-week range.

RANGE LOCATION

56.8%

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

TREND DISTANCE

32.8%

Price premium or discount versus the weekly Trend Line.

FAIR-VALUE GAP

-49.2%

Premium demand or model discount versus Sharemaestro Fair Value.

HIGH-WATER GAP

-30.5%

Distance from the latest 52-week high.

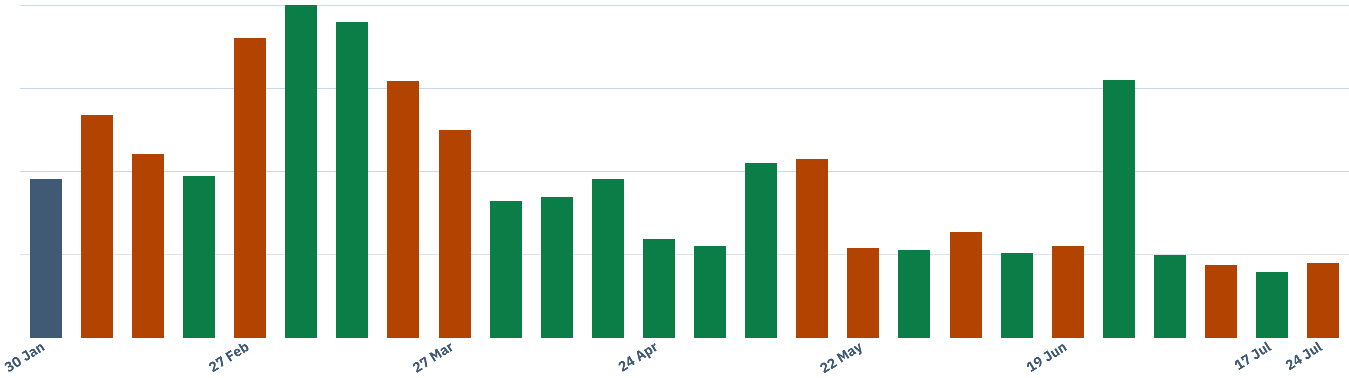
02 · VOLUME AND DEMAND

Is real participation confirming the move?

Latest weekly volume is 0.7x the 13-week average. Participation is below its recent norm, so price strength is not receiving full volume confirmation.

26-week volume confirmation

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



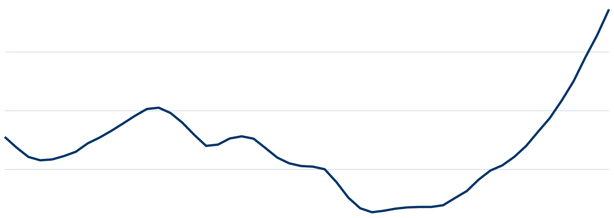
PARTICIPATION	BASELINE	ONE-YEAR BASE	LATEST WEEKLY VOLUME
0.7x	**3.5M**	**5.0M**	**2.3M**
Latest volume versus the 13-week average.	13-week average volume.	52-week average volume.	Most recent completed week.

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 0.49 · 12-week average 0.25

12-week confirmation

Signal	Read	Meaning
Trend active	3/12	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	0/12	Weeks with positive relative leadership in the latest 12-week window.
Activity pressure	0.49	Current proprietary activity-pressure read.
Buy signals	0	Accumulation signal count in the latest 12 weeks.
Reversal markers	0	No reversal markers

No recent accumulation markers. No reversal markers.

03 · MOMENTUM AND LEADERSHIP

Is performance persistent—and is the stock leading?

Performance is -1.0% over four weeks, 26.2% over 12 weeks, and -14.8% over one year. The current trend has remained active for 3 consecutive weeks.

Performance by holding period

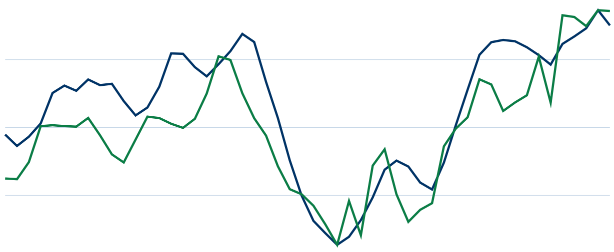
1W	-1.5%
4W	-1.0%
12W	26.2%
26W	45.5%
52W	-14.8%

ACTIVE TREND STREAK
3 weeks
Consecutive active weeks.

ACTIVE WEEKS
3
Latest 52 weeks.

TREND BREADTH
5.8%
Share of active weeks.

Activity pressure vs relative leadership



Blue: activity pressure · Green: relative leadership

PRESSURE
0.93
Latest activity-pressure read.

PRESSURE CHANGE
23.8%
Four-week change in activity pressure.

LEADERSHIP
-0.86
Latest relative-leadership reading.

RS CHANGE
58.5%
Four-week change in relative leadership.

Technical setup scorecard

Trend	14
Momentum	71
Activity Pressure	69
Relative Leadership	52
Next-Week Expectancy	31
Volume	28
Smart Money	34
Risk Control	0

04 · FUNDAMENTALS AND VALUATION

What investors are paying for—and the quality behind it

The latest factor snapshot indicates quality ranks strongly versus its universe; growth is moderate; valuation is neither clearly cheap nor expensive.

FACTOR WEEK	STATEMENTS THROUGH	FIELD COVERAGE	MODEL CONFIDENCE
26 Jul 2026	31 Dec 2025	85%	81%
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	**78/100**
Value	**73/100**
Quality	**88/100**
Momentum	**19/100**
Growth	**22/100**

Valuation

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

P/E	**-**
Price divided by trailing earnings.	
PRICE / SALES	**0.7x**
Market value relative to trailing revenue.	
EV / EBITDA	**9.8x**
Enterprise value relative to operating cash earnings.	
FREE-CASH-FLOW YIELD	**3.8%**
Free cash flow as a share of enterprise value.	

Business quality

Margins and the return generated on invested capital.

GROSS MARGIN	**89.1%**
Gross profit retained from each unit of revenue.	
OPERATING MARGIN	**11.6%**
Operating profit retained from revenue.	
FREE-CASH-FLOW MARGIN	**5.4%**
Free cash flow generated from revenue.	
RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL	**17.4%**
Operating return generated on invested capital.	

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.	**-3.3%**
EPS GROWTH Latest one-year earnings-per-share growth.	**-**
FREE-CASH-FLOW GROWTH Latest one-year free-cash-flow growth.	**-44.6%**
PIOTROSKI F-SCORE Nine-point accounting-strength checklist.	**4/9**

Shareholder return and balance sheet

Cash returned to owners and financial leverage.

DIVIDEND YIELD Cash dividends relative to market value.	**-**
BUYBACK YIELD Net share repurchases relative to market value.	**26.0%**
SHAREHOLDER YIELD Dividend yield plus net buyback yield.	**26.0%**
NET DEBT / EBITDA Balance-sheet debt relative to operating cash earnings.	**4.8x**

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.

Options positioning

Volatility

ZIP shows volatility options pressure with a 54/100 conviction score, put-call volume ratio of 0.00, expected move of 30.0%, and Sharemaestro trend signal active.

CONVICTION

54/100

Options signal conviction.

EXPECTED MOVE

30.0%

Nearest-chain pricing.

PUT/CALL VOLUME

0.00

Contract volume balance.

Pressure	100
Speculation	8
Volatility	96
Trend agreement	3

Insider activity

0 / 20

0 acquisitions and 20 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

47/100

Weighted news tone is neutral across 54 relevant articles.

5 positive · 33 neutral · 16 negative

Patient Capital

Quiet

Activity-pressure buy-signal evidence highlights potential institutional accumulation windows.

No recent buy signal

06 · CATALYSTS AND RISK

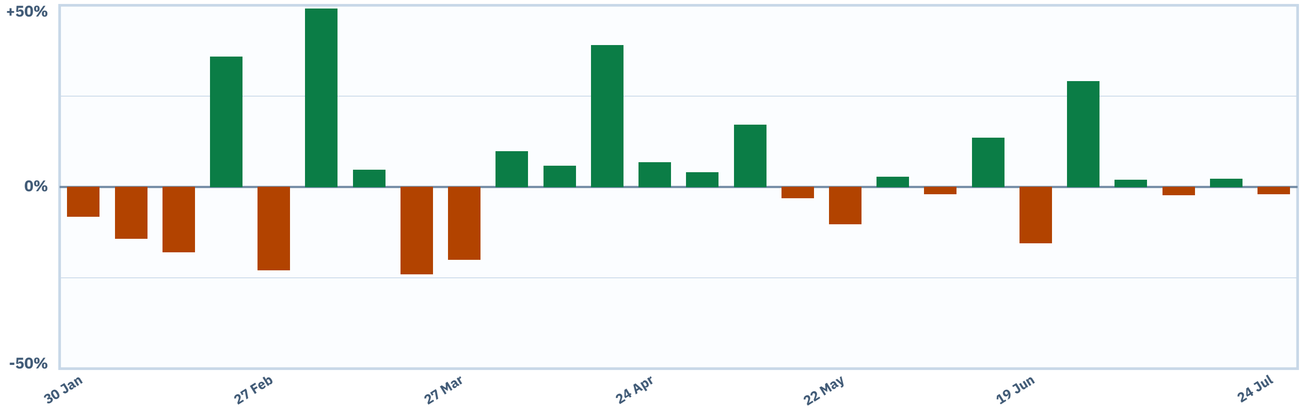
What can move the shares—and how volatile the path has been

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

NEXT EARNINGS	OPTIONS EXPECTED MOVE	52-WEEK DRAWDOWN	13-WEEK VOLATILITY
6d	30.0%	-30.5%	11.2%
Next report is scheduled for 05 Aug 2026; event risk rises as the date approaches.	Nearest-chain priced movement where available.	Distance below the 52-week high.	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	BEST WEEK	WORST WEEK	LATEST WEEK
14 of 26	+49.2%	-24.0%	-1.5%
12 weeks finished lower.	Week of 6 Mar.	Week of 20 Mar.	Week of 24 Jul.

Shape of recent returns

Strong gains	11
Modest gains	3
Flat weeks	-
Modest losses	4
Sharp losses	8

RECENT VOL	BASE VOL
11.2%	14.8%
13-week weekly-return volatility.	52-week weekly-return volatility.

UP/DOWN SPLIT	AVERAGE SKEW
22/29	13.5% / -9.0%
Count of positive and negative weeks in the 52-week window.	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 Communication Services

4-WEEK RANK	GROUP AVERAGE	TREND BREADTH
- / 100	-0.8%	41.0%
Standing within the tracked group.	Average four-week return.	Share of peers with an active trend.

Peer	Exchange	1W return	4W return	Trend
ATHM	NYSE	-2.0%	17.9%	Inactive
WPP	NYSE	-1.6%	16.2%	Inactive
BZ	NASDAQ	3.4%	16.0%	Inactive
DJT	NASDAQ	-11.4%	15.4%	Inactive
JOYY	NASDAQ	5.5%	13.5%	Active

Industry · US Internet Content & Information

4-WEEK RANK	GROUP AVERAGE	TREND BREADTH
30 / 66	-5.7%	24.2%
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DJT	NASDAQ	-11.4%	15.4%	Inactive
GRPN	NASDAQ	-7.3%	14.2%	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	33/100	Trend, activity pressure, participation, and risk combine to a 33/100 tape read.	
Indicator analysis	45/100	Latest 12-week confirmation: trend 3/12, activity pressure 12/12, relative leadership 0/12.	Activity pressure 0.49; No reversal markers
Next-Week Expectancy	Negative 38.02%	Next-week expectancy is negative with a 38.02% historical one-week setup read.	Adds short-term historical context without overriding trend, activity, or relative leadership.
Factors	66/100	O'Shaughnessy factor stack blends value, quality, momentum, and confidence.	Buyback Yield rank 2; Small Cap Core rank 24
SVQF	81/100	Value and quality alignment from the Sharemaestro SVQF framework.	Composite rank 194.5 of 1013
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Options	37/100	ZIP shows volatility options pressure with a 54/100 conviction score, put-call volume ratio of 0.00, expected move of 30.0%, and Sharemaestro trend signal active.	Volatility · Volatility expansion watch · Expected move 30.0%
Sentiment	47/100	Weighted news tone is neutral across 54 relevant articles.	ZipRecruiter Names Carmen Chan CFO
Insiders	0 / 20	0 acquisitions and 20 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	3.90 USD	-1.5%	2.94 USD	7.68 USD	0.93	-0.86	2.3M	On
17 Jul 2026	3.96 USD	2.3%	2.95 USD	7.77 USD	1.07	-0.64	2.0M	On
10 Jul 2026	3.87 USD	-2.3%	2.97 USD	7.86 USD	0.90	-5.14	2.3M	On
03 Jul 2026	3.96 USD	0.5%	3.01 USD	7.95 USD	0.82	-2.56	2.6M	Off
26 Jun 2026	3.94 USD	29.2%	3.06 USD	8.04 USD	0.75	-2.07	8.0M	Off
19 Jun 2026	3.05 USD	-15.5%	3.08 USD	8.13 USD	0.55	-26.70	2.8M	Off
12 Jun 2026	3.61 USD	13.5%	3.12 USD	8.21 USD	0.64	-13.75	2.6M	Off
05 Jun 2026	3.18 USD	-1.9%	3.14 USD	8.30 USD	0.72	-24.62	3.3M	Off
29 May 2026	3.24 USD	2.9%	3.18 USD	8.38 USD	0.77	-26.66	2.7M	Off
22 May 2026	3.15 USD	-10.3%	3.23 USD	8.46 USD	0.79	-29.05	2.8M	Off
15 May 2026	3.51 USD	-3.0%	3.28 USD	8.54 USD	0.76	-21.58	5.5M	Off
08 May 2026	3.62 USD	17.2%	3.31 USD	8.62 USD	0.64	-20.13	5.4M	Off
01 May 2026	3.09 USD	4.0%	3.32 USD	8.69 USD	0.31	-30.84	2.8M	Off
24 Apr 2026	2.97 USD	6.8%	3.35 USD	8.78 USD	-0.04	-34.04	3.1M	Off

How to use this report

This is a completed-week research summary. It explains the available evidence and its conflicts; it does not predict a guaranteed outcome or replace your own risk assessment. Fundamental figures may refer to an earlier financial reporting period, which is shown in the fundamentals section.

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