



Bank of America Corp / BAC

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Current price	Daily move	Bid / Ask	Previous close
\$53.75	+0.23 +0.43%	\$53.68/\$53.79	\$53.52

Market	NYSE
Industry	Banking
Market data as of	Oct 8, 2026 11:30 PM EDT

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JW Rank	Rank label	Confidence	IV percentile
53.4 / 100	Balanced	high	84 / 100
Model reference	Upside scenario	Risk reference	Wheel strategy fit
\$52.60	\$55.25	\$50.75	62 / 100

Options stance	mixed
Tail-risk safety	56 / 100
JW Rank data coverage / as of	100.0% Oct 8, 2026 3:20 PM EDT

Key insight

BAC Option Market Shows Cautious Sentiment Ahead of Earnings

Market read

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Strategy context

Elevated implied volatility ahead of earnings suggests traders expect potential price swings. The market awaits clarity on Q3 results and their implications for BAC's future performance.



JW AI conclusions

Short- and medium-term model interpretation

AI context bias

Bullish

AI analysis updated

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Short-term scenario

Cautious, reduced-size tactical bounce only—not a high-conviction trade. Oversold conditions and proximity to recent lows can support a 1-3 week rebound attempt, but Oct 14 earnings is a binary event inside this window and can invalidate the setup. Prefer waiting for post-earnings confirmation if risk tolerance is low. This is not investment advice; levels are uncertain and can be breached quickly.

Three-month outlook

Base case is moderately constructive if Q3 results confirm stable net interest income, solid fee/trading trends, and contained credit costs, which could allow a partial recovery toward the mid-\$50s to low-\$60s as oversold conditions normalize. Street targets near \$64-67 imply larger upside, but that depends on rates, deposit costs, provisions, and broader risk appetite—not just the current valuation discount versus longer-term averages. Downside risk remains if funding costs rise further, credit deteriorates, or the earnings reaction extends the downtrend toward the low-\$50s or high-\$40s. Uncertainty is high: macro rates, the Oct 14 print, and post-earnings guidance can dominate the three-month path, and consensus targets are not forecasts of near-term price.

Market sentiment

Recent X discussion is mixed-to-cautious rather than strongly bullish. Posts highlight a roughly 14% one-month decline, protective options activity ahead of earnings, and focus on whether NII can hold up against higher funding costs and what loan-loss provisions show. A minority of technical/quant comments treat the pullback toward the low-\$53s as a possible support zone or mild buy. Engagement is modest and promotional noise is present. Uncertainty: social posts are not a representative sample and can be stale, biased, or low-quality.

Supporting evidence

Elevated implied volatility suggests uncertainty surrounding Q3 earnings. | Protective options buying indicates some traders anticipate a potential decline in price after earnings. | Oversold conditions may support a short-term bounce, but the stock remains below key moving averages and MACD is negative. | Earnings are a binary event that could significantly impact BAC's share price.

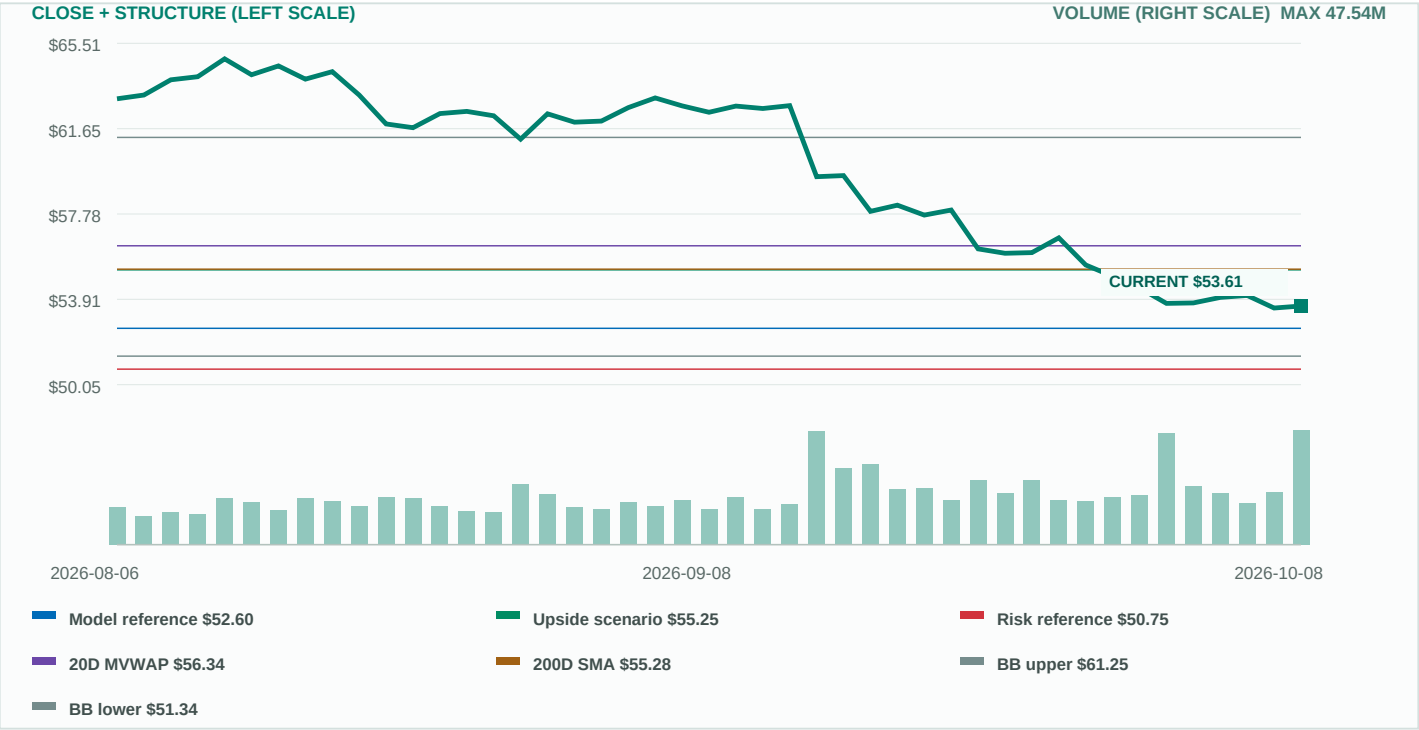
Risk watch

Earnings reaction risk: A negative surprise could trigger a significant sell-off. | Funding cost pressures: Rising interest rates may impact BAC's profitability.



Enhanced price structure

45 trading days with volume, model levels and current technical reference bands

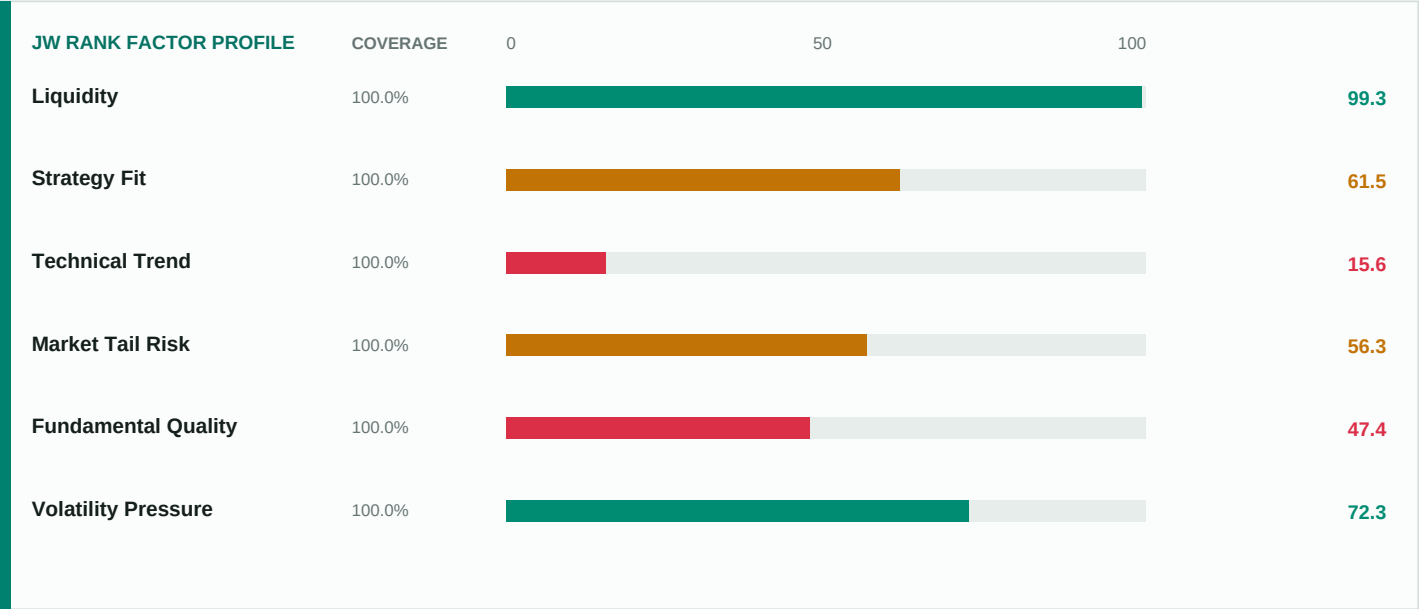


45 complete trading-session observations



JW Rank factors

Score, source coverage and interpretation for each decision factor



Decision summary

Primary model reads before the detailed indicator appendix

Momentum

bearish_warning

Institutional flow

Below MVWAP

Structure

Below 200D trend

Volatility

medium



Decision indicators

Detailed momentum, institutional and structural observations

Momentum kinematics

Direction, velocity and oscillator state

Current read	BEARISH WARNING oversold MACD accelerating
Trend signal	BEARISH WARNING
RSI signal	oversold
RSI (7 / 14 / 21)	21.41 / 24.51 / 29.67
RSI velocity	-0.02
MACD line / signal / histogram	-1.98 / - / -1.85
MACD acceleration	0.02
Stochastic K / D	18.59 / 17.40

Institutional footprints

Volume-weighted cost, price location and flow

Current read	Below institutional MVWAP Distribution bias
Institutional flow	-0.38
20-day MVWAP	\$56.34
Price vs 20-day MVWAP	-4.60%
Daily reference VWAP	\$53.15
Price vs daily reference	+1.13%
Volume	47.54M

Structural context

Long-term trend and volatility boundaries

Current read	Below 200-day trend Negative macro velocity
Macro velocity	-0.44
20-day / 200-day SMA	\$56.30 / \$55.28
Bollinger range	\$51.34 - \$61.25
Bollinger position	0.229



Options and volatility intelligence

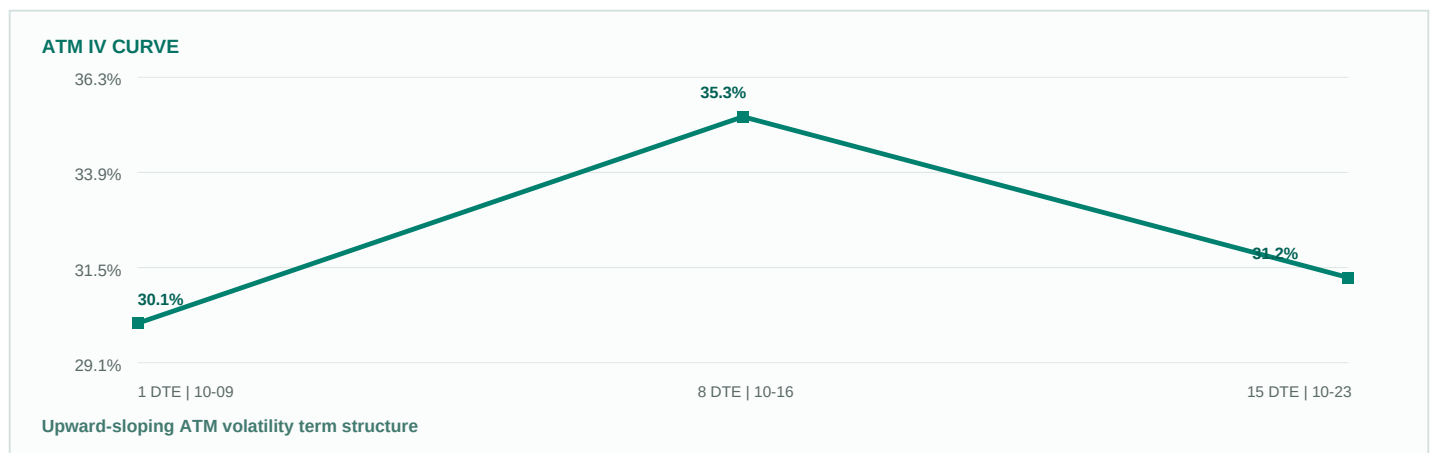
Structure, premium conditions and principal risks

IV rank	IV percentile	VVIX	SKEW
50 / 100	82 / 100	89.18	141.84

Market regime	Calm
Tail-risk regime	NORMAL TAIL RISK
Term structure	flat
Term slope	+1.16 pts
Skew read	balanced
Liquidity / quote coverage	79.0%
Options Snapshot IV sources	ATM: option chain Rank/percentile: fundamentals
Options Snapshot IV observed at	Oct 8, 2026 2:34 PM EDT
Options data quality	Coverage 100.0%

Option term structure

ATM implied-volatility curve by days to expiration

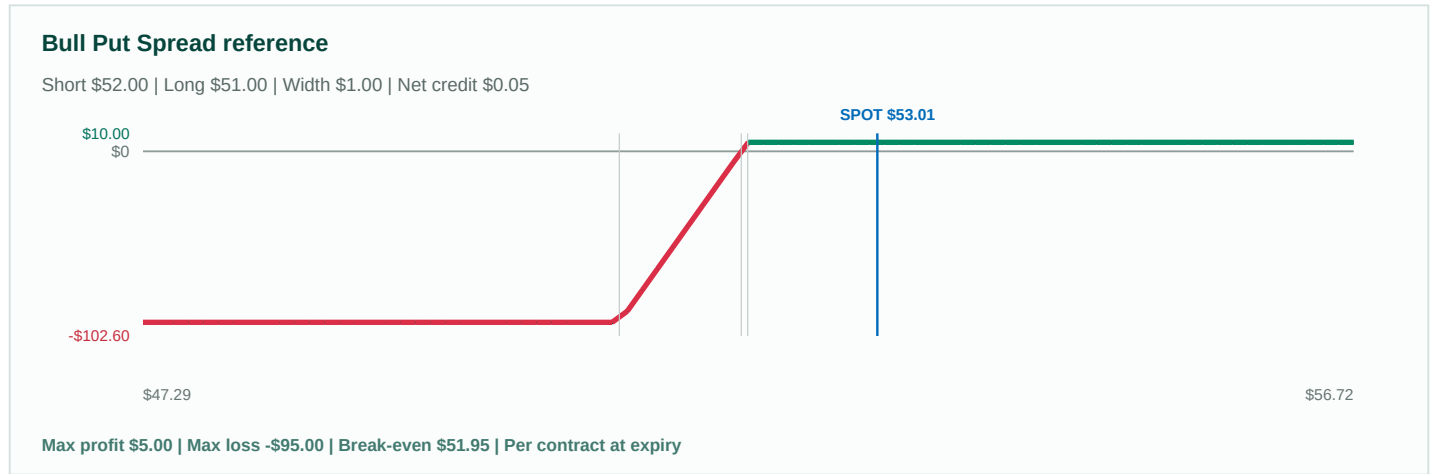


EXPIRATION	DTE	ATM IV	STATE
2026-10-09	1	30.1%	-
2026-10-16	8	35.3%	-
2026-10-23	15	31.2%	-



Reference spread payoff

Illustrative expiry profit/loss per one-lot structure, including quoted net credit



Event and tail-risk context

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

Next earnings date	2026-10-14
Earnings IV-crush risk	elevated
Event IV premium	4.08
VIX	15.62
VVIX	89.18
SKEW index	141.84
Observation confidence	high
Option quote quality	reliable
Contracts observed	124
Contracts with quotes	98

Strategy fit

Generalized structure fit; not a personalized recommendation

Market structure

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Options context

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Wheel context

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Observed evidence

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Principal risks to monitor

Earnings reaction risk: A negative surprise could trigger a significant sell-off. | Funding cost pressures: Rising interest rates may impact BAC's profitability.



Fundamentals and events

Business quality, valuation and upcoming event context

Market capitalization	P/E (TTM)
\$374.25B	11.07
ROE	Revenue growth
11.1%	0.6%
EPS growth	Operating margin
5.6%	32.7%
Net profit margin	Gross margin
30.2%	-
Free cash flow CAGR	Debt / equity
-19.8%	2.33
Dividend yield	Beta
3.2%	1.20
52-week range	
\$46.12 - \$65.23	

Company or fund profile

Issuer identity and classification

Name	Market
Bank of America Corp	NYSE
Industry	Country
Banking	US
Currency	IPO date
USD	1979-06-05
Shares outstanding	52-week return
7.02B	7.3%
Book value per share	Revenue per share
\$42.90	\$12.45
Website	bankofamerica.com



Latest strategy observation

Most recent shared general market signal available when this report was generated

BAC Covered Call signal
Covered Call | 2026-10-09
At signal \$54.34 | Current \$53.75
SHORT Option \$54.00 B \$0.73 / A \$0.77
Conservative | CR \$0.75

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Complete technical details

Full supporting indicator set used by the symbol detail experience

Volatility and options market

Price movement and premium conditions

ATR	\$1.11
ATR as % of price	2.1%
Volatility environment	medium
Current IV	28.6%
IV rank	52 / 100
IV percentile	84 / 100
Technical Snapshot IV source	Private fundamentals snapshot
Technical Snapshot IV observed at	Oct 8, 2026 7:30 PM EDT

Technical health and risk radar

Derived indicator health and event context

Overall health	55 / 100
Trend health	38 / 100
Momentum health	45 / 100
Volatility health	79 / 100
Structure health	73 / 100
Earnings risk / date	high 2026-10-14
Macro risk	unknown
Volatility risk	medium
Structure risk	low

Structural indicator levels

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

SMA (20 / 50 / 200)	\$56.30 / \$60.22 / \$55.28
EMA (9 / 21)	\$54.41 / \$56.27
Bollinger upper / middle / lower	\$61.25 / \$56.30 / \$51.34



Structural indicator levels (continued)

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

FIELD	VALUE
Bollinger %B	0.229
True high / low	\$53.61 / \$52.24
5-day true high / low	\$54.46 / \$52.24

Three-day indicator history

Short-horizon change and the underlying three-session observations

INDICATOR	3-DAY CHANGE	SESSION 1 / 2 / 3
SMA20	-0.440	-
SMA50	-0.164	-
MVWAP20	-0.380	-
MACD	0.017	-
RSI	-0.017	-
Volume	8672578.670	-
ATR	-0.004	-
T1	-	-2.01 / 56.83 / 54.09 / 52.91
T2	-	-2.01 / 57.21 / 54.46 / 53.88
T3	-	-2.03 / 57.48 / 54.34 / 53.69



Detailed options evidence

Supporting option-chain, execution and data-quality observations

Underlying price at observation	\$53.01
Options Snapshot IV sources	ATM: option chain Rank/percentile: fundamentals
Options Snapshot IV observed at	Oct 8, 2026 2:34 PM EDT
Options data coverage	100.0%
SKEW regime	HIGH TAIL RISK SKEW
VVIX regime	VVIX FALLING
Front expiration / DTE	2026-10-09 1 DTE
Front at-the-money IV	30.1%
25-delta skew	4.10
Put / Call 25-delta	\$52.00 Delta -0.140 / \$54.00 Delta 0.123
Median option bid/ask spread	14.9%
Bid/ask spread	-
Contracts observed / quoted	124 / 98

Price context

Last Price: 53.01 | Bid: 53.00 | Ask: 53.01 | Previous Close: 53.53 | Change: -0.52 | Daily change: -0.96% | Update Time: 2026-10-08T14:34:31.178328-04:00 | Latest History Date: 2026-10-08 | Latest History Price: 53.01

Historical context

Trading-day sample: 60 sessions | First Date: 2026-07-16 | Latest Date: 2026-10-08 | Latest Price: 53.01 | Max Drawdown 60d Percent: -18.21%

Fundamental context

Current Iv Percent: 28.10% | Iv Rank: 49.61 | Iv Percentile: 82.47 | Next Earnings Date: 2026-10-14 | Ex Dividend Date: 2026-09-03



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