Caterpillar Inc / CAT

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Current price	Daily move	Bid / Ask	Previous close
$818.57	**+13.57 +1.69%**	**-/-**	**$805.00**

Market	**NYSE**
Industry	**Machinery**
Market data as of	**Sep 11, 2026 11:31 PM EDT**

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JW Rank	Rank label	Confidence	IV percentile
60.4 / 100	**Balanced**	**high**	**26 / 100**

Model reference	Upside scenario	Risk reference	Wheel strategy fit
$815.00	**$860.00**	**$790.00**	**72 / 100**

Options stance	**bullish**
Tail-risk safety	**56 / 100**
JW Rank data coverage / as of	**100.0% | Sep 11, 2026 7:50 PM EDT**

Key insight

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Market read

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Strategy context

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JW AI conclusions

Short- and medium-term model interpretation

AI context bias	**Mixed**
AI analysis updated	**Sep 11, 2026 2:14 PM EDT**

Short-term scenario

Cautious speculative long / hold for rebound confirmation amid high uncertainty from valuation, technicals, and macro; wait for pullback or volume confirmation rather than chasing today's bounce.

Three-month outlook

Constructive bias from record backlog, data-center/AI power demand, capacity expansions, and raised guidance supporting potential move toward $880-950, but elevated PE (~35 vs historical ~18-20), cyclical industrial exposure, tariff/insider-selling overhangs, and possible economic slowdown create material downside risk to $720-780. High uncertainty around macro rates, AI-hype sustainability, next earnings (Oct 28), and whether the post-July correction extends. Not a high-conviction setup.

Market sentiment

Mixed/cautious. Positive on recent Freedom Broker upgrade and $664K call-option flow (Sep 18 expiry). Technical notes of falling-wedge setup needing MA reclaim. Older posts flag overvaluation (cyclical stock priced like AI name), aggressive insider selling, and bubble risks. Limited organic discussion amid spam.

Supporting evidence

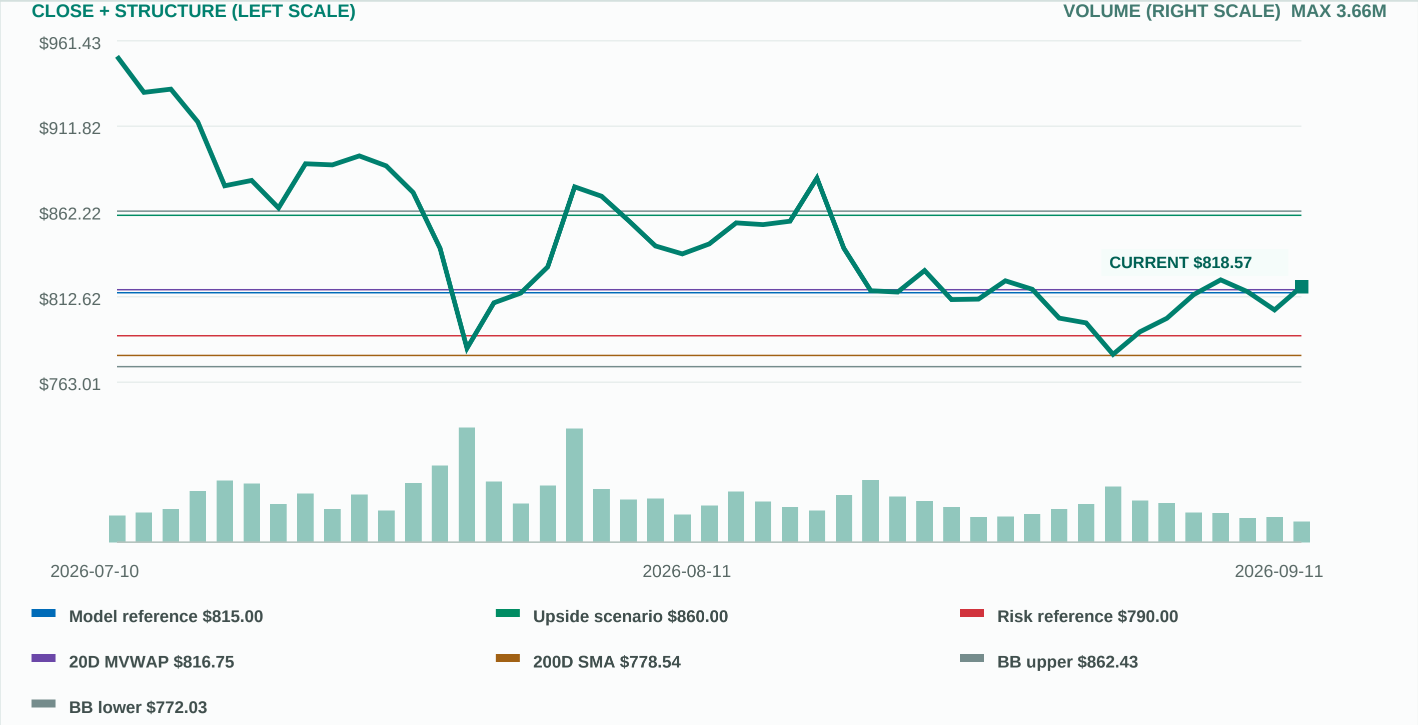
The front-month ATM IV is 33%, suggesting a moderate level of expected volatility. | The skew is balanced, implying that both call and put options are priced similarly. | The term slope points upwards at 2.34, indicating higher implied volatility for longer-dated options. | Recent earnings results were strong, with record revenue and adjusted EPS growth.

Risk watch

Insider selling could indicate concerns about future performance. | Economic slowdown risks could impact Caterpillar's industrial business.

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

JW RANK FACTOR PROFILE	COVERAGE	0 — 50 — 100
Liquidity	100.0%	84.9
Strategy Fit	100.0%	72.1
Technical Trend	100.0%	53.4
Market Tail Risk	100.0%	56.3
Fundamental Quality	100.0%	59.2
Volatility Pressure	100.0%	50.5

Decision summary

Primary model reads before the detailed indicator appendix

Momentum	Institutional flow	Structure	Volatility
bullish_recovery	**Above MVWAP**	**Above 200D trend**	**medium**

Decision indicators

Detailed momentum, institutional and structural observations

Momentum kinematics

Direction, velocity and oscillator state

Current read	**BULLISH RECOVERY | neutral | MACD accelerating**
Trend signal	**BULLISH RECOVERY**
RSI signal	**neutral**
RSI (7 / 14 / 21)	**54.19 / 47.66 / 46.36**
RSI velocity	**-0.09**
MACD line / signal / histogram	**-12.94 / - / -16.70**
MACD acceleration	**1.25**
Stochastic K / D	**66.05 / 63.25**

Institutional footprints

Volume-weighted cost, price location and flow

Current read	**Above institutional MVWAP | Distribution bias**
Institutional flow	**-2.25**
20-day MVWAP	**$816.75**
Price vs 20-day MVWAP	**+0.22%**
Daily reference VWAP	**$819.36**
Price vs daily reference	**-0.10%**
Volume	**656.84K**

Structural context

Long-term trend and volatility boundaries

Current read	**Above 200-day trend | Negative macro velocity**
Macro velocity	**-1.91**
20-day / 200-day SMA	**$817.23 / $778.54**
Bollinger range	**$772.03 - $862.43**
Bollinger position	**0.515**

Options and volatility intelligence

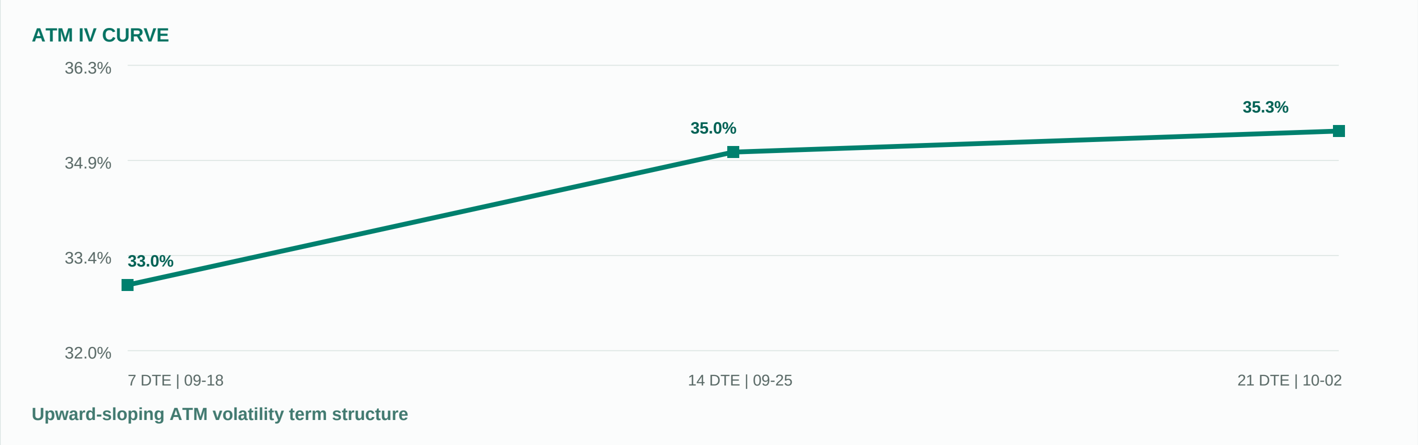
Structure, premium conditions and principal risks

IV rank	IV percentile	VVIX	SKEW
33 / 100	25 / 100	91.86	147.02

Market regime	**Calm**
Tail-risk regime	**NORMAL TAIL RISK**
Term structure	**contango**
Term slope	**+2.34 pts**
Skew read	**balanced**
Liquidity / quote coverage	**100.0%**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Sep 11, 2026 2:46 PM EDT**
Options data quality	**Coverage 88.9%**

Option term structure

ATM implied-volatility curve by days to expiration



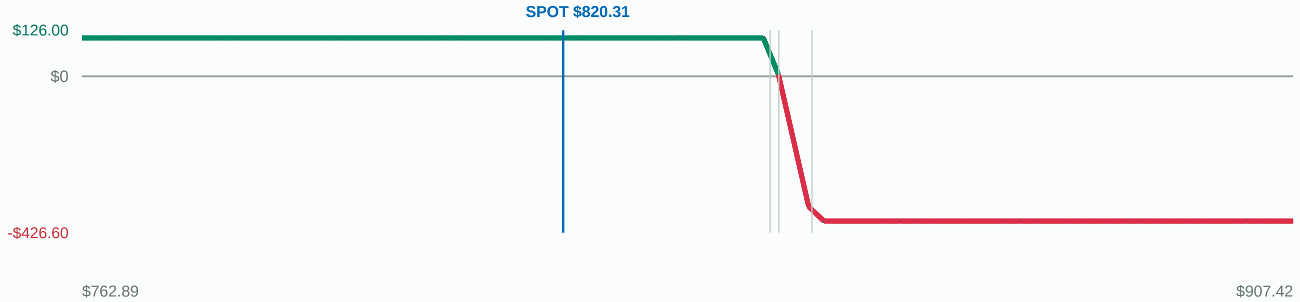
EXPIRATION	DTE	ATM IV	STATE
2026-09-18	7	33.0%	-
2026-09-25	14	35.0%	-
2026-10-02	21	35.3%	-

Reference spread payoff

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

Bear Call Spread reference

Short $845.00 | Long $850.00 | Width $5.00 | Net credit $1.05



Max profit $105.00 | Max loss -$395.00 | Break-even $846.05 | Per contract at expiry

Event and tail-risk context

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

Next earnings date	**2026-10-29**
Earnings IV-crush risk	**NOT MEASURED**
VIX	**15.66**
VVIX	**91.86**
SKEW index	**147.02**
Observation confidence	**high**
Option quote quality	**reliable**
Contracts observed	**93**
Contracts with quotes	**93**

Strategy fit

Generalized structure fit; not a personalized recommendation

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Principal risks to monitor

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Fundamentals and events

Business quality, valuation and upcoming event context

Market capitalization **$370.04B**	P/E (TTM) **34.21**
ROE **54.2%**	Revenue growth **4.4%**
EPS growth **14.2%**	Operating margin **17.5%**
Net profit margin **14.5%**	Gross margin **-**
Free cash flow CAGR **12.1%**	Debt / equity **2.03**
Dividend yield **2.1%**	Beta **1.60**
52-week range **$416.44 - $1,073.46**	

Company or fund profile

Issuer identity and classification

Name **Caterpillar Inc**	Market **NYSE**
Industry **Machinery**	Country **US**
Currency **USD**	IPO date **1929-12-02**
Shares outstanding **460.59M**	52-week return **95.1%**
Book value per share **$42.11**	Revenue per share **$161.58**

Website	caterpillar.com

Latest strategy observation

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

CAT Covered Call signal

Sep 11, 2026 9:47 AM EDT

Covered Call | 2026-09-18

At signal $823.43 | Current $818.57

SHORT **Option $820.00 B $17.75 / A $20.60**

High turnover | CR $19.18

Complete technical details

Full supporting indicator set used by the symbol detail experience

Volatility and options market

Price movement and premium conditions

ATR	**$25.12**
ATR as % of price	**3.1%**
Volatility environment	**medium**
Current IV	**34.6%**
IV rank	**33 / 100**
IV percentile	**26 / 100**
Technical Snapshot IV source	**Private fundamentals snapshot**
Technical Snapshot IV observed at	**Sep 11, 2026 7:31 PM EDT**

Technical health and risk radar

Derived indicator health and event context

Overall health	**82 / 100**
Trend health	**78 / 100**
Momentum health	**87 / 100**
Volatility health	**64 / 100**
Structure health	**99 / 100**
Earnings risk / date	**low | 2026-10-29**
Macro risk	**unknown**
Volatility risk	**medium**
Structure risk	**low**

Structural indicator levels

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

SMA (20 / 50 / 200)	**$817.23 / $856.18 / $778.54**
EMA (9 / 21)	**$811.29 / $819.97**
Bollinger upper / middle / lower	**$862.43 / $817.23 / $772.03**

Structural indicator levels (continued)

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

FIELD	VALUE
Bollinger %B	**0.515**
True high / low	**$826.00 / $805.00**
5-day true high / low	**$830.50 / $797.50**

Three-day indicator history

Short-horizon change and the underlying three-session observations

INDICATOR	3-DAY CHANGE	SESSION 1 / 2 / 3
SMA20	-1.907	**-**
SMA50	-4.336	**-**
MVWAP20	-2.252	**-**
MACD	1.248	**-**
RSI	-0.092	**-**
Volume	-89353.000	**-**
ATR	-0.591	**-**
T1	-	**-14.61 / 818.84 / 815.56 / 797.50**
T2	-	**-15.15 / 822.08 / 827.96 / 813.50**
T3	-	**-16.69 / 823.50 / 830.50 / 813.94**

Detailed options evidence

Supporting option-chain, execution and data-quality observations

Underlying price at observation	**$820.31**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Sep 11, 2026 2:46 PM EDT**
Options data coverage	**88.9%**
SKEW regime	**HIGH TAIL RISK SKEW**
VVIX regime	**VVIX RISING**
Front expiration / DTE	**2026-09-18 | 7 DTE**
Front at-the-money IV	**33.0%**
25-delta skew	**1.91**
Put / Call 25-delta	**$795.00 Delta -0.242 / $845.00 Delta 0.270**
Median option bid/ask spread	**16.1%**
Bid/ask spread	**-**
Contracts observed / quoted	**93 / 93**

Price context

Last Price: 820.31 | Bid: 820.20 | Ask: 820.55 | Previous Close: 805.00 | Change: 15.31 | Daily change: 1.90% | Update Time: 2026-09-11T14:46:19.009736-04:00 | Latest History Date: 2026-09-11 | Latest History Price: 820.31

Historical context

Trading-day sample: 60 sessions | First Date: 2026-06-17 | Latest Date: 2026-09-11 | Latest Price: 820.31 | Max Drawdown 60d Percent: -26.83%

Fundamental context

Current Iv Percent: 34.54% | Iv Rank: 32.96 | Iv Percentile: 25.10 | Next Earnings Date: 2026-10-29 | Ex Dividend Date: 2026-07-19

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