iShares Bitcoin Trust ETF / IBIT

Exchange-traded fund | Generated Oct 28, 2026 11:31 PM EDT

Current price	Daily move	Bid / Ask	Previous close
$45.11	-0.59 -1.29%	$45.11/$45.13	$45.70

Market	**NYSE**
Market data as of	**Oct 28, 2026 11:31 PM EDT**

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JW Rank	Rank label	Confidence	IV percentile
67.1 / 100	Constructive	high	22 / 100

Model reference	Upside scenario	Risk reference	Wheel strategy fit
$45.10	$46.90	$43.85	73 / 100

Options stance	**neutral**
Tail-risk safety	**56 / 100**
JW Rank data coverage / as of	**88.0% | Oct 28, 2026 6:50 PM EDT**

Key insight

IBIT Option Market Shows Mixed Signals Amidst Institutional Inflows and Uncertainty

Market read

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Strategy context

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JW AI conclusions

Short- and medium-term model interpretation

AI context bias	**Bearish**
AI analysis updated	**Oct 28, 2026 2:11 PM EDT**

Short-term scenario

Cautious hold / selective dip-buy only. Mixed technicals, modest concentrated inflows, tight consolidation, and near-term Fed event risk argue against aggressive positioning over 1-3 weeks. Prefer scaled entries on weakness rather than chasing; this is not a high-conviction directional call and outcomes can deviate sharply. Not investment advice.

Three-month outlook

Cautiously constructive but dominated by uncertainty. Steady IBIT-led inflows and BlackRock's expanding Bitcoin product lineup provide a supportive institutional bid that could help stabilize price and allow a modest recovery toward the upper $40s or low $50s if macro pressure eases and BTC holds or reclaims higher levels after its strong prior three-month gain. Offsetting this, YTD performance is negative (~-8%), the one-year picture has been substantially weaker in multiple reports, price sits well below 52-week highs, and flows remain concentrated. A break of nearby BTC support near $80k could pressure IBIT into the low-to-mid $40s or lower. Base case is continued volatility and range-bound action with only a mild upside bias if inflows persist; downside and sideways scenarios are equally plausible. Major uncertainties include Fed policy path, exact sustainability of ETF flows, Bitcoin-specific volatility, and data revisions. This outlook is probabilistic, not a forecast, and past performance does not predict future results.

Market sentiment

Cautious and watchful rather than strongly bullish or panicked. Recent posts highlight IBIT leading consecutive daily inflows (including roughly $151 million of a ~$176 million total spot Bitcoin ETF inflow on Oct 27) as quiet institutional accumulation while BTC holds near $80k support and remains down on the week. Commentators note concentration risk if IBIT demand fades, possible rotation between native crypto sellers and ETF buyers, and focus on the Fed decision (hawkish hold widely expected). Sentiment acknowledges resilience and dip-buying interest but lacks broad euphoria or confirmed trend reversal; many urge waiting for clearer macro signals and whether inflows broaden. Uncertainty is high: X discussion is anecdotal, low-engagement in places, and reactive to incomplete flow data.

Supporting evidence

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Risk watch

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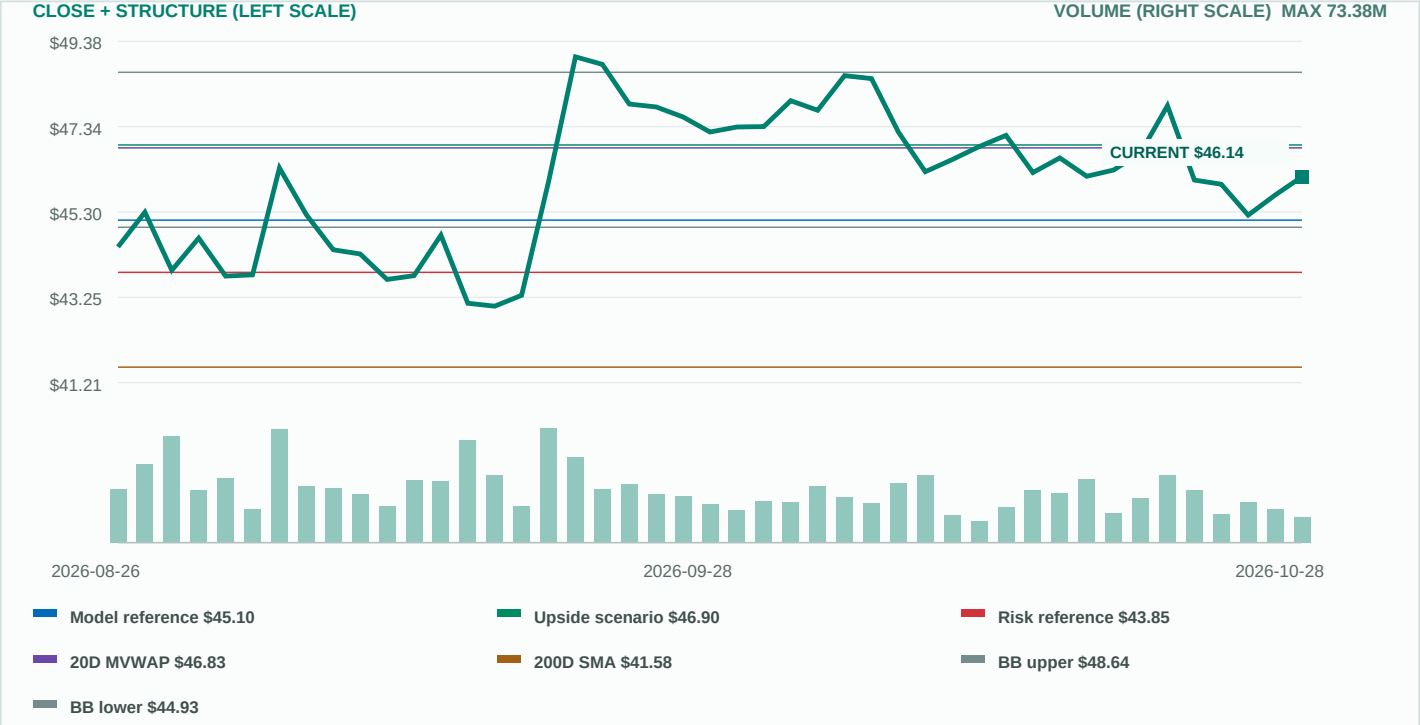
Enhanced price structure

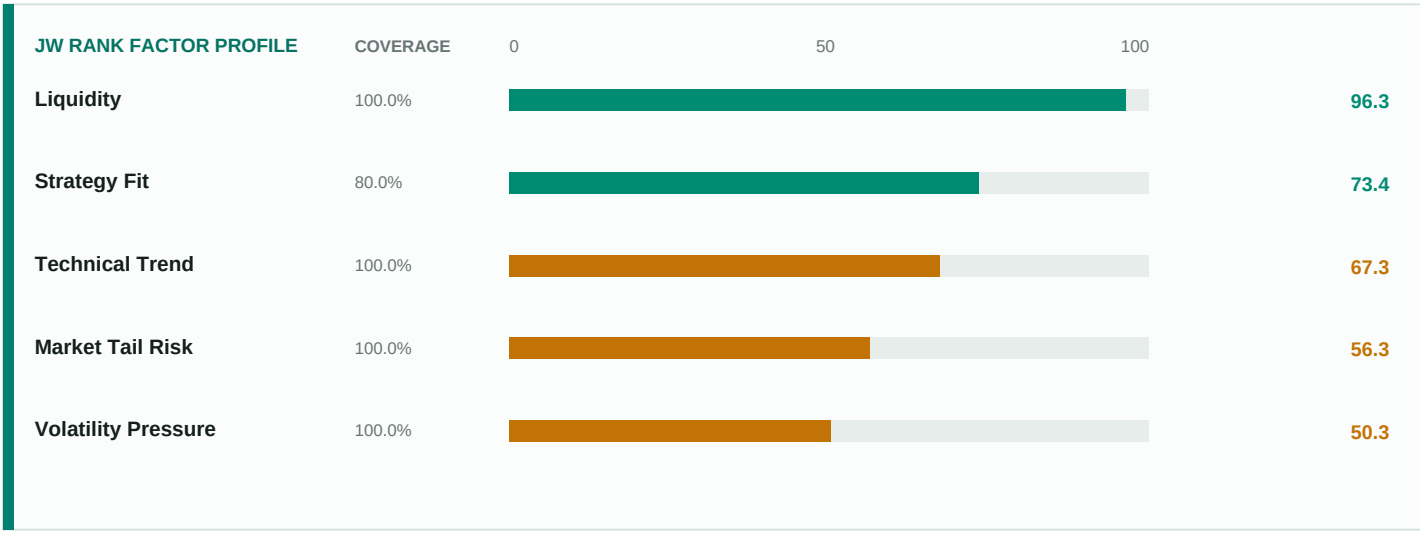
45 trading days with volume, model levels and current technical reference bands



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	Institutional flow	Structure	Volatility
strong_bull	Below MVWAP	Above 200D trend	medium

Decision indicators

Detailed momentum, institutional and structural observations

Momentum kinematics

Direction, velocity and oscillator state

Current read	**STRONG BULL | neutral | MACD decelerating**
Trend signal	**STRONG BULL**
RSI signal	**neutral**
RSI (7 / 14 / 21)	**47.68 / 49.93 / 52.62**
RSI velocity	**0.57**
MACD line / signal / histogram	**0.09 / - / 0.37**
MACD acceleration	**-0.08**
Stochastic K / D	**25.75 / 21.35**

Institutional footprints

Volume-weighted cost, price location and flow

Current read	**Below institutional MVWAP | Distribution bias**
Institutional flow	**-0.07**
20-day MVWAP	**$46.83**
Price vs 20-day MVWAP	**-3.67%**
Daily reference VWAP	**$45.90**
Price vs daily reference	**-1.72%**
Volume	**16.04M**

Structural context

Long-term trend and volatility boundaries

Current read	**Above 200-day trend | Negative macro velocity**
Macro velocity	**-0.08**
20-day / 200-day SMA	**$46.78 / $41.58**
Bollinger range	**$44.93 - $48.64**
Bollinger position	**0.327**

Options and volatility intelligence

Structure, premium conditions and principal risks

IV rank	IV percentile	VVIX	SKEW
21 / 100	23 / 100	96.85	149.22

Market regime	**Calm**
Tail-risk regime	**NORMAL TAIL RISK**
Term structure	**backwardation**
Term slope	**-2.50 pts**
Skew read	**balanced**
Liquidity / quote coverage	**87.7%**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Oct 28, 2026 2:52 PM EDT**
Options data quality	**Coverage 88.9%**

Option term structure

ATM implied-volatility curve by days to expiration

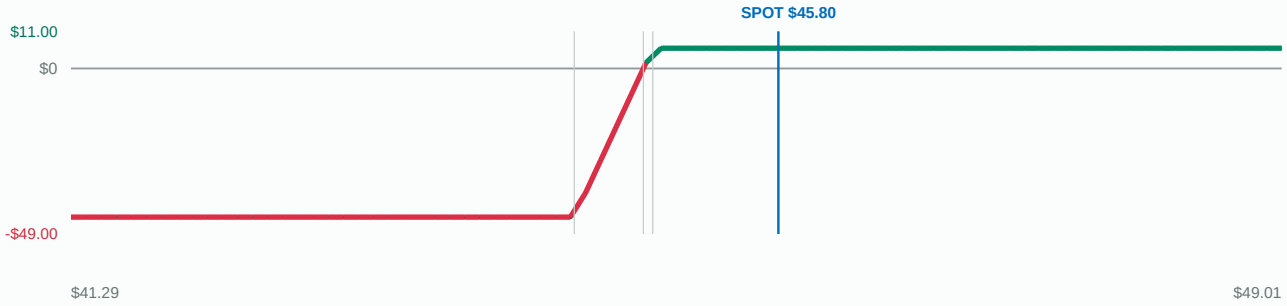
EXPIRATION	DTE	ATM IV	STATE
2026-10-29	1	39.2%	-
2026-11-03	6	32.0%	-
2026-10-30	2	36.7%	-

Reference spread payoff

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

Bull Put Spread reference

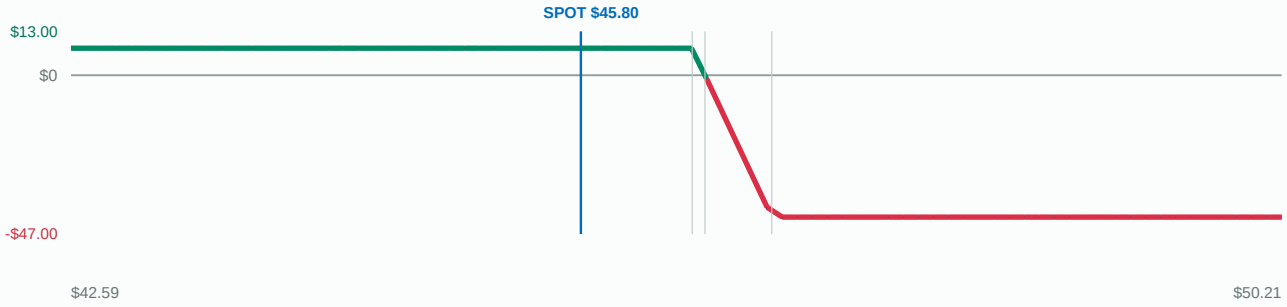
Short $45.00 | Long $44.50 | Width $0.50 | Net credit $0.06



Max profit $6.00 | Max loss -$44.00 | Break-even $44.94 | Per contract at expiry

Bear Call Spread reference

Short $46.50 | Long $47.00 | Width $0.50 | Net credit $0.08



Max profit $8.00 | Max loss -$42.00 | Break-even $46.58 | Per contract at expiry

Event and tail-risk context

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

Earnings IV-crush risk	**unknown**
VIX	**17.18**
VVIX	**96.85**
SKEW index	**149.22**
Observation confidence	**high**
Option quote quality	**reliable**
Contracts observed	**146**
Contracts with quotes	**128**

Strategy fit

Generalized structure fit; not a personalized recommendation

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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

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Fundamentals and events

Business quality, valuation and upcoming event context

ROE -	Revenue growth -
EPS growth -	Operating margin -
Net profit margin -	Gross margin -
Free cash flow CAGR -	Dividend yield -

52-week range

$32.84 - $64.51

Company or fund profile

Issuer identity and classification

Name **iShares Bitcoin Trust ETF**	Market **NYSE**
Currency **USD**	Expense ratio -
Net asset value -	YTD return -

ETF portfolio characteristics

Fund-level composition and risk summary; complete holdings omitted

Top 10 weight	-
Distress exposure	-
Annualized volatility	-
Five-year maximum drawdown	-

Latest strategy observation

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

IBIT Covered Call signal

Oct 28, 2026 10:34 AM EDT

Covered Call | 2026-10-30

At signal $45.51 | Current $45.11

SHORT **Option $46.00 B $0.33 / A $0.34**

Conservative | CR $0.34

Complete technical details

Full supporting indicator set used by the symbol detail experience

Volatility and options market

Price movement and premium conditions

ATR	**$1.13**
ATR as % of price	**2.5%**
Volatility environment	**medium**
Current IV	**35.9%**
IV rank	**20 / 100**
IV percentile	**22 / 100**
Technical Snapshot IV source	**Private fundamentals snapshot**
Technical Snapshot IV observed at	**Oct 28, 2026 7:31 PM EDT**

Technical health and risk radar

Derived indicator health and event context

Overall health	**86 / 100**
Trend health	**92 / 100**
Momentum health	**91 / 100**
Volatility health	**73 / 100**
Structure health	**83 / 100**
Earnings risk / date	**unknown | N/A**
Macro risk	**unknown**
Volatility risk	**medium**
Structure risk	**low**

Structural indicator levels

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

SMA (20 / 50 / 200)	**$46.78 / $45.71 / $41.58**
EMA (9 / 21)	**$46.17 / $46.33**
Bollinger upper / middle / lower	**$48.64 / $46.78 / $44.93**

Structural indicator levels (continued)

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

FIELD	VALUE
Bollinger %B	**0.327**
True high / low	**$46.14 / $45.43**
5-day true high / low	**$47.84 / $44.86**

Three-day indicator history

Short-horizon change and the underlying three-session observations

INDICATOR	3-DAY CHANGE	SESSION 1 / 2 / 3
SMA20	-0.080	**-**
SMA50	0.189	**-**
MVWAP20	-0.074	**-**
MACD	-0.077	**-**
RSI	0.573	**-**
Volume	-646707.670	**-**
ATR	-0.028	**-**
T1	-	**0.12 / 46.89 / 45.71 / 45.12**
T2	-	**0.19 / 46.96 / 45.96 / 44.86**
T3	-	**0.32 / 47.05 / 46.41 / 45.81**

Detailed options evidence

Supporting option-chain, execution and data-quality observations

Underlying price at observation	**$45.80**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Oct 28, 2026 2:52 PM EDT**
Options data coverage	**88.9%**
SKEW regime	**HIGH TAIL RISK SKEW**
VVIX regime	**VVIX FLAT**
Front expiration / DTE	**2026-10-29 | 1 DTE**
Front at-the-money IV	**39.2%**
25-delta skew	**-0.21**
Put / Call 25-delta	**$45.00 Delta -0.205 / $46.50 Delta 0.251**
Median option bid/ask spread	**7.0%**
Bid/ask spread	**-**
Contracts observed / quoted	**146 / 128**

Price context

Last Price: 45.80 | Bid: 45.79 | Ask: 45.80 | Previous Close: 45.71 | Change: 0.09 | Daily change: 0.21% | Update Time: 2026-10-28T14:52:35.014527-04:00 | Latest History Date: 2026-10-28 | Latest History Price: 45.80

Historical context

Trading-day sample: 60 sessions | First Date: 2026-08-05 | Latest Date: 2026-10-28 | Latest Price: 45.80 | Max Drawdown 60d Percent: -7.73%

Fundamental context

Current Iv Percent: 36.19% | Iv Rank: 21.39 | Iv Percentile: 22.71 | Next Earnings Date: N/A | Ex Dividend Date: N/A

Important disclosures

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General market information only

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