



Lam Research Corporation / LRCX

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Current price	Daily move	Bid / Ask	Previous close
\$245.30	+4.45 +1.85%	\$243.80/\$244.95	\$240.85

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

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JW Rank	Rank label	Confidence	IV percentile
42.2 / 100	Cautious	high	17 / 100
Model reference	Upside scenario	Risk reference	Wheel strategy fit
\$248.50	\$268.00	\$236.00	47 / 100

Options stance	neutral
Tail-risk safety	56 / 100
JW Rank data coverage / as of	100.0% Oct 28, 2026 6:50 PM EDT

Key insight

LRCX Option Market Implies Mixed Sentiment

Market read

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Strategy context

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JW AI conclusions

Short- and medium-term model interpretation

AI context bias

Bullish

AI analysis updated

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Short-term scenario

Cautious tactical long only, preferably on a pullback rather than chasing the midday rally. Overhead moving averages and unresolved supply constraints make a sustained 1-3 week advance uncertain; use tight risk controls and treat any bounce as fragile until price reclaims higher averages on volume.

Three-month outlook

Moderately constructive if AI-related DRAM, high-bandwidth memory, and foundry spending continue and if supply constraints ease enough for Lam to convert demand into higher shipments and services growth. The company's preliminary view of wafer-fab equipment spending above 200B in 2027 and generally maintained analyst Buy ratings support a recovery path toward the high 280s to low 300s under a stable sector backdrop. Uncertainty is material: prolonged parts shortages, China revenue pressure, valuation compression after the earlier run-up, and the lack of a fresh company update until the estimated late-January 2027 earnings window could limit upside or produce a retest of the recent 220-230 area. This is not a high-conviction forecast.

Market sentiment

Sentiment on X is mixed and cautious rather than decisively bullish. Several posts link the roughly 5.5% gain to SK Hynix strength and broader semiconductor-equipment sympathy, with scattered notes of institutional buying and short-term upside potential. Other commentary advises avoiding or waiting for deeper pullbacks into the 220-240 area because of the guidance and supply-chain comments. Overall tone supports the longer-term AI and wafer-fab thesis but shows limited conviction in chasing the current bounce. Sample size is limited and social posts are not representative of institutional positioning.

Supporting evidence

The term structure is in backwardation with a negative slope, suggesting near-term stability but potential for increased volatility further out. | Implied volatility is elevated at 53.18%, indicating market uncertainty and potential for significant price swings. | Recent news regarding supply constraints and cautious China outlook have contributed to the elevated volatility. | The bullish rally on October 28th appears driven by positive semiconductor industry sentiment rather than strong conviction in Lam's fundamentals.

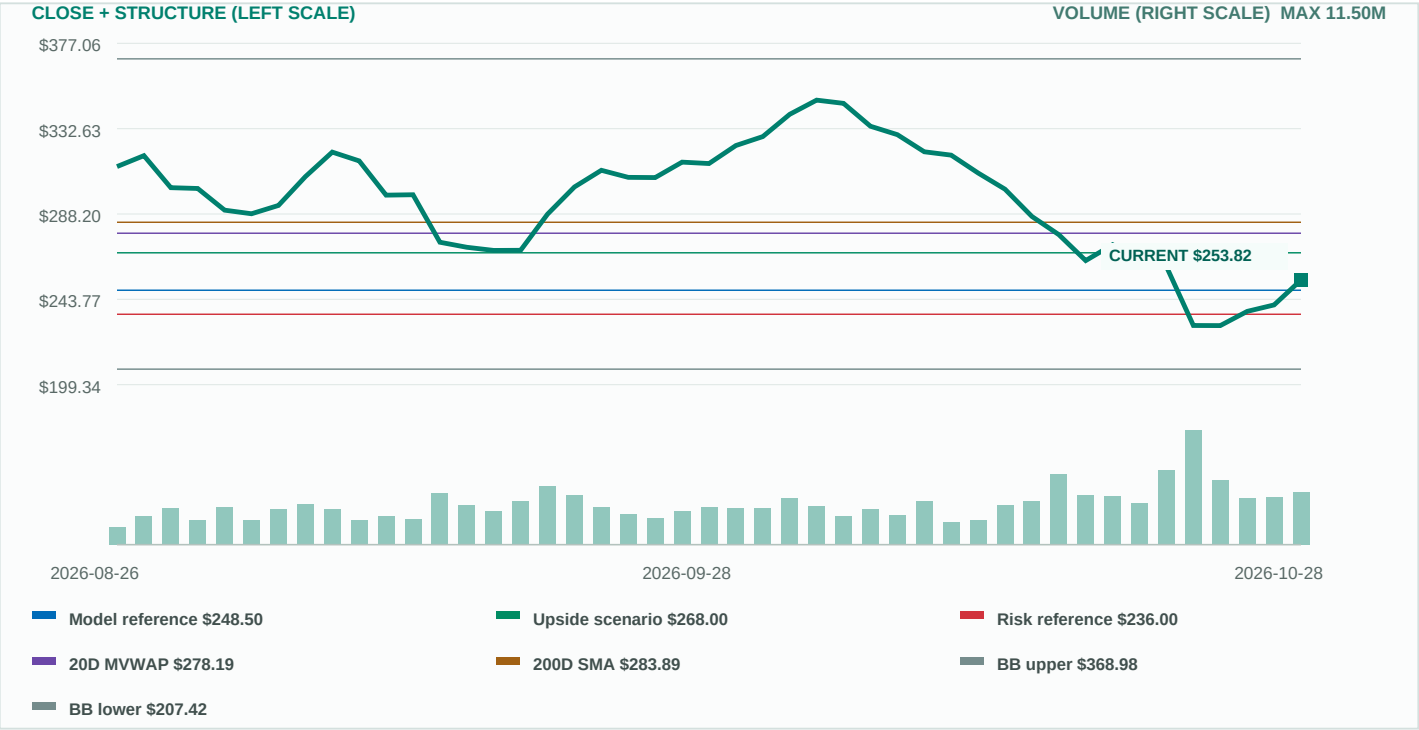
Risk watch

Supply chain constraints could continue to weigh on Lam's growth prospects.



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

high



Decision indicators

Detailed momentum, institutional and structural observations

Momentum kinematics

Direction, velocity and oscillator state

Current read	BEARISH WARNING neutral MACD decelerating
Trend signal	BEARISH WARNING
RSI signal	neutral
RSI (7 / 14 / 21)	41.98 / 38.35 / 40.04
RSI velocity	4.60
MACD line / signal / histogram	-18.94 / - / -13.85
MACD acceleration	-0.36
Stochastic K / D	18.18 / 11.40

Institutional footprints

Volume-weighted cost, price location and flow

Current read	Below institutional MVWAP Distribution bias
Institutional flow	-3.54
20-day MVWAP	\$278.19
Price vs 20-day MVWAP	-11.82%
Daily reference VWAP	\$251.98
Price vs daily reference	-2.65%
Volume	5.26M

Structural context

Long-term trend and volatility boundaries

Current read	Below 200-day trend Negative macro velocity
Macro velocity	-3.91
20-day / 200-day SMA	\$288.20 / \$283.89
Bollinger range	\$207.42 - \$368.98
Bollinger position	0.287



Options and volatility intelligence

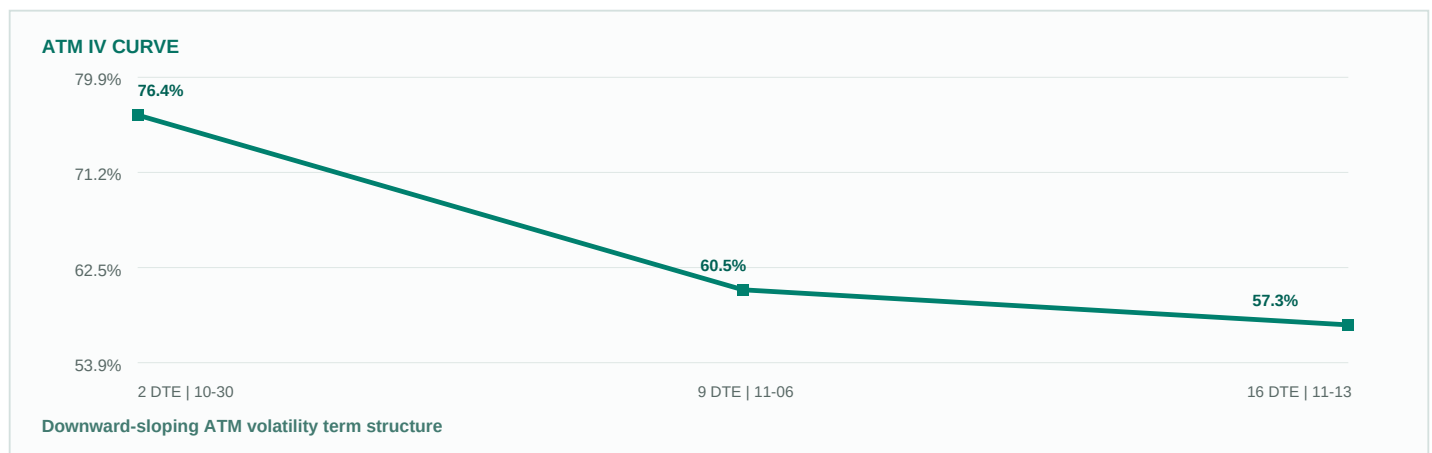
Structure, premium conditions and principal risks

IV rank	IV percentile	VVIX	SKEW
20 / 100	18 / 100	96.85	149.22

Market regime	Calm
Tail-risk regime	NORMAL TAIL RISK
Term structure	backwardation
Term slope	-19.14 pts
Skew read	balanced
Liquidity / quote coverage	100.0%
Options Snapshot IV sources	ATM: option chain Rank/percentile: fundamentals
Options Snapshot IV observed at	Oct 28, 2026 2:40 PM EDT
Options data quality	Coverage 100.0%

Option term structure

ATM implied-volatility curve by days to expiration



EXPIRATION	DTE	ATM IV	STATE
2026-10-30	2	76.4%	-
2026-11-06	9	60.5%	-
2026-11-13	16	57.3%	-

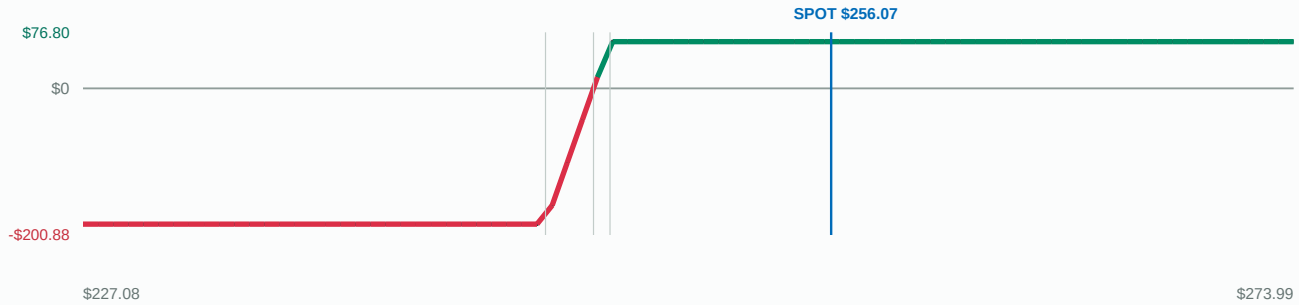


Reference spread payoff

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

Bull Put Spread reference

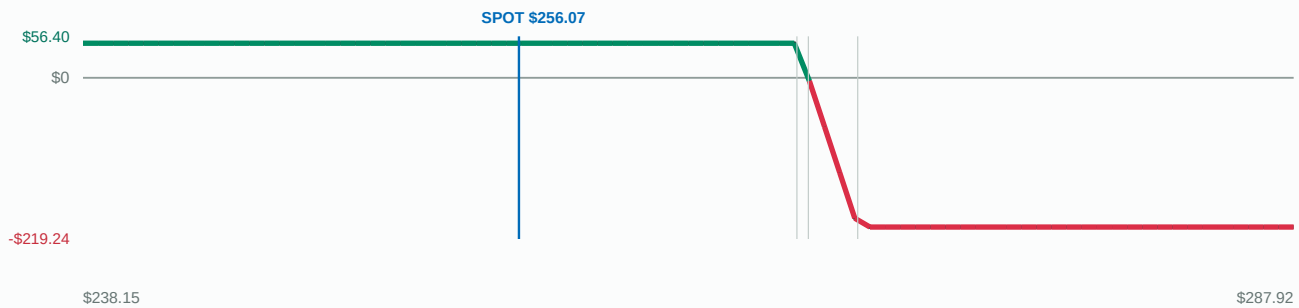
Short \$247.50 | Long \$245.00 | Width \$2.50 | Net credit \$0.64



Max profit \$64.00 | Max loss -\$186.00 | Break-even \$246.86 | Per contract at expiry

Bear Call Spread reference

Short \$267.50 | Long \$270.00 | Width \$2.50 | Net credit \$0.47



Max profit \$47.00 | Max loss -\$203.00 | Break-even \$267.97 | Per contract at expiry

Event and tail-risk context

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

Next earnings date	2026-10-21
Earnings IV-crush risk	high
Event IV premium	15.94
VIX	17.18
VVIX	96.85
SKEW index	149.22
Observation confidence	high
Option quote quality	reliable



Event and tail-risk context (continued)

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

FIELD	VALUE
Contracts observed	150
Contracts with quotes	150

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	P/E (TTM)
\$318.23B	36.68
ROE	Revenue growth
71.8%	10.1%
EPS growth	Operating margin
20.2%	37.0%
Net profit margin	Gross margin
32.3%	-
Free cash flow CAGR	Debt / equity
8.6%	0.30
Dividend yield	Beta
1.1%	1.97
52-week range	
\$135.50 - \$438.50	

Company or fund profile

Issuer identity and classification

Name	Market
Lam Research Corporation	NYSE
Industry	Country
Semiconductors	US
Currency	IPO date
USD	1984-05-11
Shares outstanding	52-week return
1.25B	53.5%
Book value per share	Revenue per share
\$11.13	\$20.81
Website	lamresearch.com



Latest strategy observation

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

LRCX Covered Call signal	Oct 28, 2026 9:37 AM EDT
Covered Call 2026-10-30	
At signal \$246.34 Current \$245.30	
SHORT Option \$245.00 B \$6.30 / A \$7.15	
Conservative CR \$6.73	



Complete technical details

Full supporting indicator set used by the symbol detail experience

Volatility and options market

Price movement and premium conditions

ATR	\$14.35
ATR as % of price	5.7%
Volatility environment	high
Current IV	53.0%
IV rank	20 / 100
IV percentile	17 / 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	52 / 100
Trend health	38 / 100
Momentum health	70 / 100
Volatility health	25 / 100
Structure health	79 / 100
Earnings risk / date	unknown 2026-10-21
Macro risk	unknown
Volatility risk	high
Structure risk	low

Structural indicator levels

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

SMA (20 / 50 / 200)	\$288.20 / \$296.95 / \$283.89
EMA (9 / 21)	\$254.24 / \$274.57
Bollinger upper / middle / lower	\$368.98 / \$288.20 / \$207.42



Structural indicator levels (continued)

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

FIELD	VALUE
Bollinger %B	0.287
True high / low	\$257.60 / \$240.85
5-day true high / low	\$260.81 / \$225.14

Three-day indicator history

Short-horizon change and the underlying three-session observations

INDICATOR	3-DAY CHANGE	SESSION 1 / 2 / 3
SMA20	-3.911	-
SMA50	-1.813	-
MVWAP20	-3.544	-
MACD	-0.356	-
RSI	4.598	-
Volume	-393474.000	-
ATR	-0.229	-
T1	-	-19.76 / 281.50 / 241.68 / 235.21
T2	-	-19.20 / 285.31 / 241.25 / 230.10
T3	-	-17.87 / 288.82 / 234.06 / 225.14



Detailed options evidence

Supporting option-chain, execution and data-quality observations

Underlying price at observation	\$256.07
Options Snapshot IV sources	ATM: option chain Rank/percentile: fundamentals
Options Snapshot IV observed at	Oct 28, 2026 2:40 PM EDT
Options data coverage	100.0%
SKEW regime	HIGH TAIL RISK SKEW
VVIX regime	VVIX FLAT
Front expiration / DTE	2026-10-30 2 DTE
Front at-the-money IV	76.4%
25-delta skew	3.19
Put / Call 25-delta	\$247.50 Delta -0.269 / \$267.50 Delta 0.226
Median option bid/ask spread	12.5%
Bid/ask spread	-
Contracts observed / quoted	150 / 150

Price context

Last Price: 256.07 | Bid: 256.02 | Ask: 256.30 | Previous Close: 240.85 | Change: 15.22 | Daily change: 6.32% | Update Time: 2026-10-28T14:40:48.050734-04:00 | Latest History Date: 2026-10-28 | Latest History Price: 256.38

Historical context

Trading-day sample: 60 sessions | First Date: 2026-08-05 | Latest Date: 2026-10-28 | Latest Price: 256.38 | Max Drawdown 60d Percent: -33.78%

Fundamental context

Current Iv Percent: 53.18% | Iv Rank: 20.32 | Iv Percentile: 17.53 | Next Earnings Date: 2026-10-21 | Ex Dividend Date: 2026-09-22



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