# Lam Research Corporation / LRCX

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| Current price | Daily move | Bid / Ask | Previous close |
|---|---|---|---|
| $242.82 | -11.00 -4.33% | $242.56/$244.00 | $253.82 |

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|---|---|
| Market | **NYSE** |
| Industry | **Semiconductors** |
| Market data as of | **Oct 29, 2026 11:31 PM EDT** |

## JW Intelligence Report

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| JW Rank | Rank label | Confidence | IV percentile |
|---|---|---|---|
| 42.9 / 100 | Cautious | high | 18 / 100 |

| Model reference | Upside scenario | Risk reference | Wheel strategy fit |
|---|---|---|---|
| $249.00 | $272.00 | $234.00 | 48 / 100 |

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|---|---|
| Options stance | **neutral** |
| Tail-risk safety | **56 / 100** |
| JW Rank data coverage / as of | **100.0% \| Oct 29, 2026 7:51 PM EDT** |

### Key insight

LRCX Option Market Implies Continued Volatility

### Market read

The LRCX option market reflects uncertainty surrounding the company's future performance. While recent earnings results were strong, supply constraints and concerns about AI capital spending have weighed on the stock price. The term structure of implied volatility is in backwardation, suggesting that near-term volatility is expected to be higher than longer-term volatility. The skew is balanced, indicating a relatively symmetrical view of potential price movements.

### Strategy context

LRCX's recent earnings report showed strong revenue growth but supply constraints limited upside guidance. This has led to mixed sentiment in the market.

# JW AI conclusions

Short- and medium-term model interpretation

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|---|---|
| AI context bias | **Bearish** |
| AI analysis updated | **Oct 29, 2026 2:03 PM EDT** |

## Short-term scenario

Cautious tactical long on weakness for 1-3 weeks, not a high-conviction trend trade. The post-earnings washout has stabilized and a bounce is underway, but price remains below major moving averages with negative momentum and heavy overhead supply. Prefer scaling in rather than chasing; size for high volatility. Levels can fail. This is not investment advice. Uncertainty is elevated because sector sentiment and headlines can overwhelm the setup within days.

## Three-month outlook

Base case is a choppy recovery toward the high-$200s to low-$300s if AI and memory equipment demand stays firm and the multiple stabilizes after the sharp drawdown from the 52-week high. Record revenue, raised industry spending views, and many analyst targets above the current price support that path, but it is not assured. Material risks include supply constraints that already capped guidance, an elevated P/E versus Lam’s own history, China exposure, and a broader reassessment of AI capital spending. A retest of the low-$200s remains possible if sentiment deteriorates. Uncertainty is high over the next three months; treat this as a scenario, not a return forecast.

## Market sentiment

Recent X discussion is mixed and cautious rather than uniformly bullish. Traders have watched a gap toward about $260 and a bounce after the post-earnings drop. Others treat the selloff despite record results as a late-cycle warning, emphasizing growth deceleration and AI funding stress over absolute demand. Posts also note record margins alongside supply constraints and significant memory and China exposure. Social sentiment is polarized, low-sample, and not a reliable trading signal.

## Supporting evidence

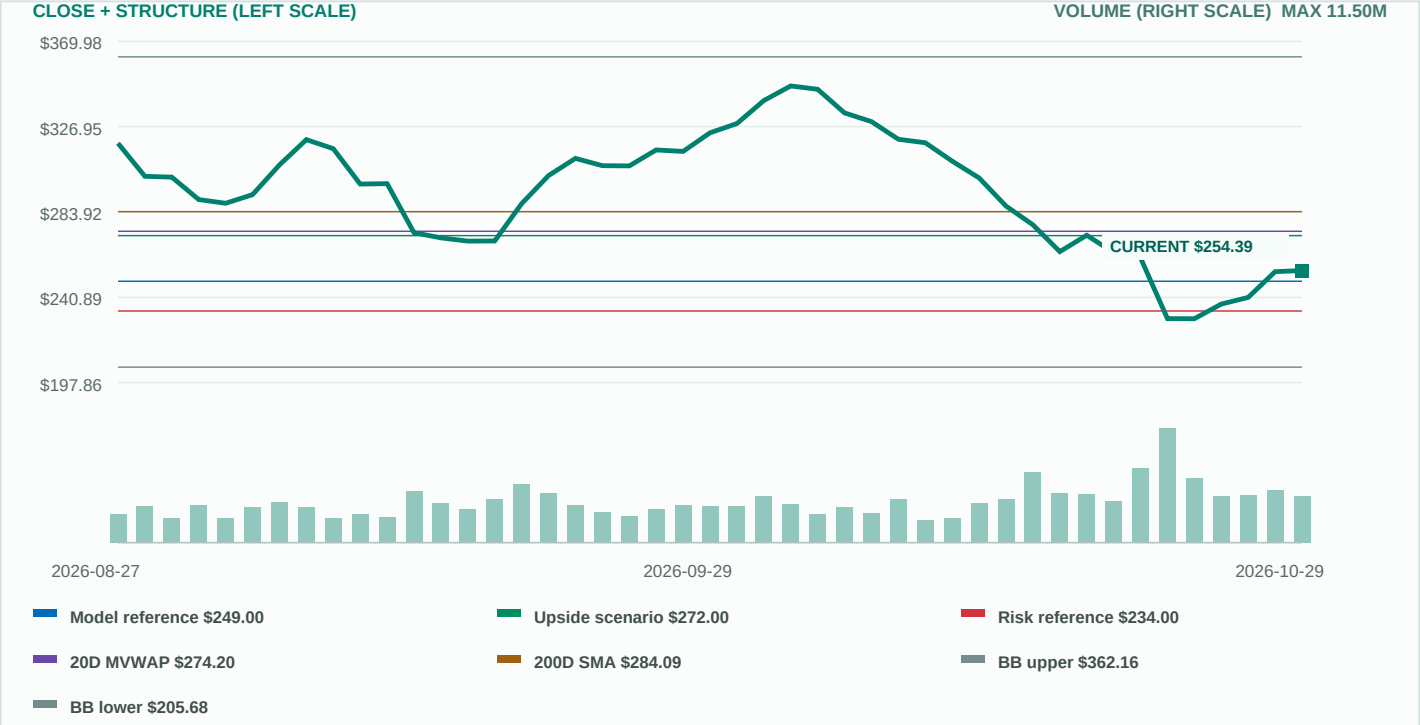
Implied volatility for LRCX options is elevated at 52.7%, reflecting market uncertainty. | The term structure of implied volatility is in backwardation, with near-term options more expensive than longer-term options. | The delta 25 skew is balanced, suggesting a symmetrical view of potential price movements.

## Risk watch

Supply chain disruptions could continue to impact LRCX's ability to meet demand.

## 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 |
|---|---|---|---|
| bearish_warning | Below MVWAP | Below 200D trend | high |

# Decision indicators

Detailed momentum, institutional and structural observations

## Momentum kinematics

Direction, velocity and oscillator state

| | |
|---|---|
| Current read | **BEARISH WARNING \| neutral \| MACD accelerating** |
| Trend signal | **BEARISH WARNING** |
| RSI signal | **neutral** |
| RSI (7 / 14 / 21) | **42.58 / 38.65 / 40.24** |
| RSI velocity | **3.20** |
| MACD line / signal / histogram | **-18.03 / - / -14.68** |
| MACD acceleration | **0.39** |
| Stochastic K / D | **25.18 / 17.83** |

## Institutional footprints

Volume-weighted cost, price location and flow

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|---|---|
| Current read | **Below institutional MVWAP \| Distribution bias** |
| Institutional flow | **-3.70** |
| 20-day MVWAP | **$274.20** |
| Price vs 20-day MVWAP | **-11.44%** |
| Daily reference VWAP | **$255.53** |
| Price vs daily reference | **-4.97%** |
| Volume | **4.67M** |

## Structural context

Long-term trend and volatility boundaries

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|---|---|
| Current read | **Below 200-day trend \| Negative macro velocity** |
| Macro velocity | **-4.06** |
| 20-day / 200-day SMA | **$283.92 / $284.09** |
| Bollinger range | **$205.68 - $362.16** |
| Bollinger position | **0.311** |

## Options and volatility intelligence

Structure, premium conditions and principal risks

| IV rank | IV percentile | VVIX | SKEW |
|---|---|---|---|
| **20 / 100** | **15 / 100** | **95.19** | **148.74** |

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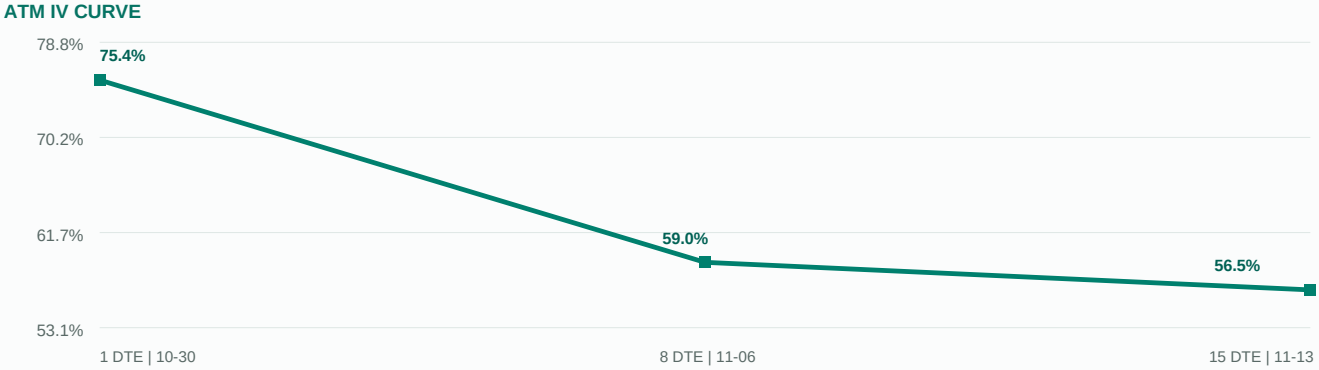
|---|---|
| Market regime | **Calm** |
| Tail-risk regime | **NORMAL TAIL RISK** |
| Term structure | **backwardation** |
| Term slope | **-18.87 pts** |
| Skew read | **balanced** |
| Liquidity / quote coverage | **96.7%** |
| Options Snapshot IV sources | **ATM: option chain \| Rank/percentile: fundamentals** |
| Options Snapshot IV observed at | **Oct 29, 2026 2:40 PM EDT** |
| Options data quality | **Coverage 100.0%** |

## Option term structure

ATM implied-volatility curve by days to expiration




Downward-sloping ATM volatility term structure

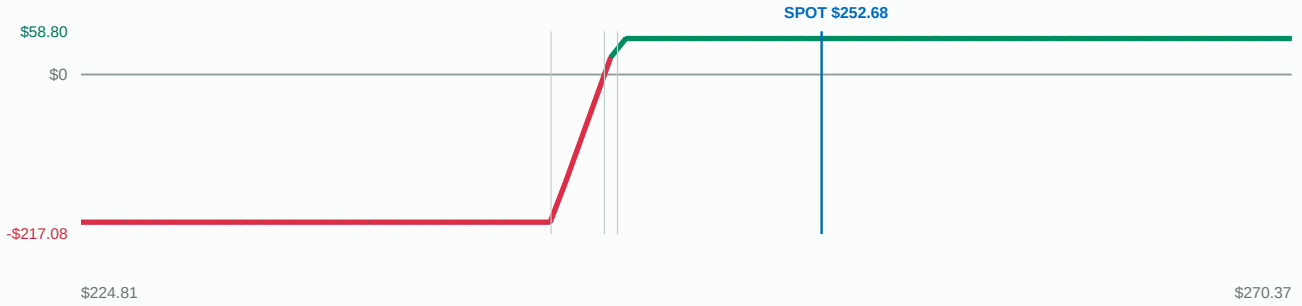
| EXPIRATION | DTE | ATM IV | STATE |
|---|---|---|---|
| **2026-10-30** | 1 | 75.4% | - |
| **2026-11-06** | 8 | 59.0% | - |
| **2026-11-13** | 15 | 56.5% | - |

## Reference spread payoff

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

### Bull Put Spread reference

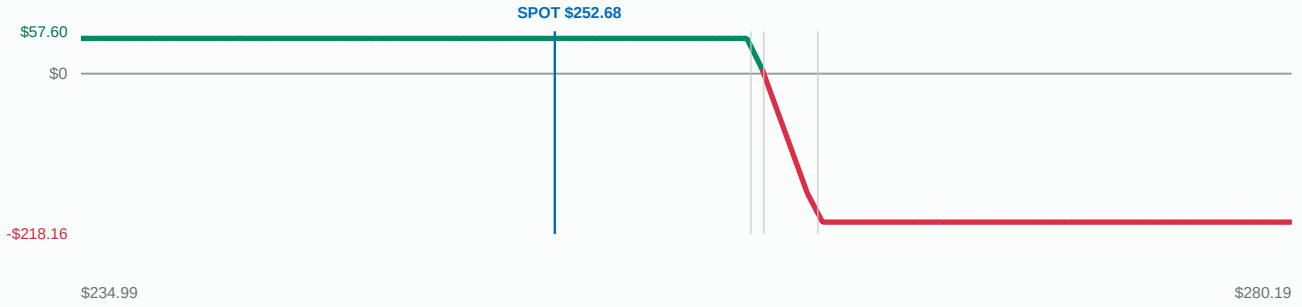
Short $245.00 | Long $242.50 | Width $2.50 | Net credit $0.49




**Max profit $49.00 | Max loss -$201.00 | Break-even $244.51 | Per contract at expiry**

### Bear Call Spread reference

Short $260.00 | Long $262.50 | Width $2.50 | Net credit $0.48




**Max profit $48.00 | Max loss -$202.00 | Break-even $260.48 | Per contract at expiry**

## Event and tail-risk context

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

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|---|---|
| Next earnings date | **2026-10-21** |
| Earnings IV-crush risk | **high** |
| Event IV premium | **16.39** |
| VIX | **16.89** |
| VVIX | **95.19** |
| SKEW index | **148.74** |
| 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 | **145** |

# Strategy fit

Generalized structure fit; not a personalized recommendation

### Market structure

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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) |
| **$317.06B** | **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%** | **1.96** |

52-week range

**$135.50 - $438.50**

## Company or fund profile

Issuer identity and classification

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|---|---|
| Name | Market |
| **Lam Research Corporation** | **NYSE** |
| Industry | Country |
| **Semiconductors** | **US** |
| Currency | IPO date |
| **USD** | **1984-05-11** |
| Shares outstanding | 52-week return |
| **1.25B** | **63.1%** |
| Book value per share | Revenue per share |
| **$11.13** | **$20.81** |

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|---|---|
| Website | lamresearch.com |

# Latest strategy observation

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

## LRCX Covered Call signal

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**Covered Call | 2026-11-06**

At signal $256.62 | Current $242.82

**SHORT** **Option $285.00 B $1.24 / A $1.40**

**Conservative | CR $1.32**

## Complete technical details

Full supporting indicator set used by the symbol detail experience

## Volatility and options market

Price movement and premium conditions

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|---|---|
| ATR | **$13.97** |
| ATR as % of price | **5.5%** |
| Volatility environment | **high** |
| Current IV | **53.3%** |
| IV rank | **21 / 100** |
| IV percentile | **18 / 100** |
| Technical Snapshot IV source | **Private fundamentals snapshot** |
| Technical Snapshot IV observed at | **Oct 29, 2026 3:51 PM EDT** |

## Technical health and risk radar

Derived indicator health and event context

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|---|---|
| Overall health | **53 / 100** |
| Trend health | **38 / 100** |
| Momentum health | **71 / 100** |
| Volatility health | **28 / 100** |
| Structure health | **81 / 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

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|---|---|
| SMA (20 / 50 / 200) | **$283.92 / $295.90 / $284.09** |
| EMA (9 / 21) | **$254.27 / $272.73** |
| Bollinger upper / middle / lower | **$362.16 / $283.92 / $205.68** |

## Structural indicator levels (continued)

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

| FIELD | VALUE |
|---|---|
| Bollinger %B | **0.311** |
| True high / low | **$260.59 / $251.61** |
| 5-day true high / low | **$260.59 / $225.14** |

## Three-day indicator history

Short-horizon change and the underlying three-session observations

| INDICATOR | 3-DAY CHANGE | SESSION 1 / 2 / 3 |
|---|---|---|
| **SMA20** | -4.057 | **-** |
| **SMA50** | -1.533 | **-** |
| **MVWAP20** | -3.704 | **-** |
| **MACD** | 0.390 | **-** |
| **RSI** | 3.197 | **-** |
| **Volume** | 14142.000 | **-** |
| **ATR** | -0.264 | **-** |
| **T1** | - | **-18.94 / 278.18 / 257.60 / 240.85** |
| **T2** | - | **-19.76 / 281.50 / 241.68 / 235.21** |
| **T3** | - | **-19.20 / 285.31 / 241.25 / 230.10** |

# Detailed options evidence

Supporting option-chain, execution and data-quality observations

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|---|---|
| Underlying price at observation | **$252.68** |
| Options Snapshot IV sources | **ATM: option chain \| Rank/percentile: fundamentals** |
| Options Snapshot IV observed at | **Oct 29, 2026 2:40 PM EDT** |
| Options data coverage | **100.0%** |
| SKEW regime | **HIGH TAIL RISK SKEW** |
| VVIX regime | **VVIX FALLING** |
| Front expiration / DTE | **2026-10-30 \| 1 DTE** |
| Front at-the-money IV | **75.4%** |
| 25-delta skew | **1.29** |
| Put / Call 25-delta | **$245.00 Delta -0.221 / $260.00 Delta 0.245** |
| Median option bid/ask spread | **10.2%** |
| Bid/ask spread | **-** |
| Contracts observed / quoted | **150 / 145** |

## Price context

Last Price: 252.68 | Bid: 252.60 | Ask: 252.77 | Previous Close: 253.82 | Change: -1.14 | Daily change: -0.45% | Update Time: 2026-10-29T14:41:00.231515-04:00 | Latest History Date: 2026-10-29 | Latest History Price: 252.68

## Historical context

Trading-day sample: 60 sessions | First Date: 2026-08-06 | Latest Date: 2026-10-29 | Latest Price: 252.68 | Max Drawdown 60d Percent: -33.78%

## Fundamental context

Current Iv Percent: 52.70% | Iv Rank: 19.52 | Iv Percentile: 15.14 | Next Earnings Date: 2026-10-21 | Ex Dividend Date: 2026-09-22

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