Microsoft Corp / MSFT

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Current price	Daily move	Bid / Ask	Previous close
$498.91	-6.50 -1.29%	$498.66/$498.98	$505.41

Market	**NYSE**
Industry	**Technology**
Market data as of	**Sep 15, 2026 11:32 PM EDT**

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JW Rank	Rank label	Confidence	IV percentile
72.9 / 100	Constructive	high	18 / 100

Model reference	Upside scenario	Risk reference	Wheel strategy fit
$495.00	$520.00	$485.00	73 / 100

Options stance	**bullish**
Tail-risk safety	**56 / 100**
JW Rank data coverage / as of	**100.0% | Sep 15, 2026 7:51 PM EDT**

Key insight

MSFT Shows Bullish Signs Despite Recent Dip

Market read

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Strategy context

The recent dip in MSFT price presents a potential buying opportunity for investors with a long-term outlook.

JW AI conclusions

Short- and medium-term model interpretation

AI context bias	**Mixed**
AI analysis updated	**Sep 15, 2026 1:40 PM EDT**

Short-term scenario

Cautious accumulate/hold on weakness for 1-3 weeks given today's dip, fading MACD momentum and patch-related news; high uncertainty from short-term technical pullback risk, news flow and broader tech/AI sentiment. Not a high-conviction short-term trade.

Three-month outlook

Moderately bullish with potential 10-15% upside toward analyst targets in the $560+ range, supported by Azure/AI growth, Copilot adoption and cloud backlog. However, significant uncertainty exists around AI capex intensity and FCF margins, potential regulatory/AI safety developments, competition, macro/rates, and the Oct 28 earnings report. Volatility likely; a pullback toward $450-480 support remains possible if momentum fades further.

Market sentiment

Mixed and relatively muted in latest posts, with promotional/spam content, mentions of Satya Nadella's bullish datacenter comments, analyst reiterates (e.g., outperform at $550), AI infrastructure discussions, and some regulatory notes. One sentiment tracker showed a shift to 5.0/10. Older posts highlighted skepticism despite beats, but recent tone is cautiously constructive on AI/cloud rather than strongly bullish or bearish.

Supporting evidence

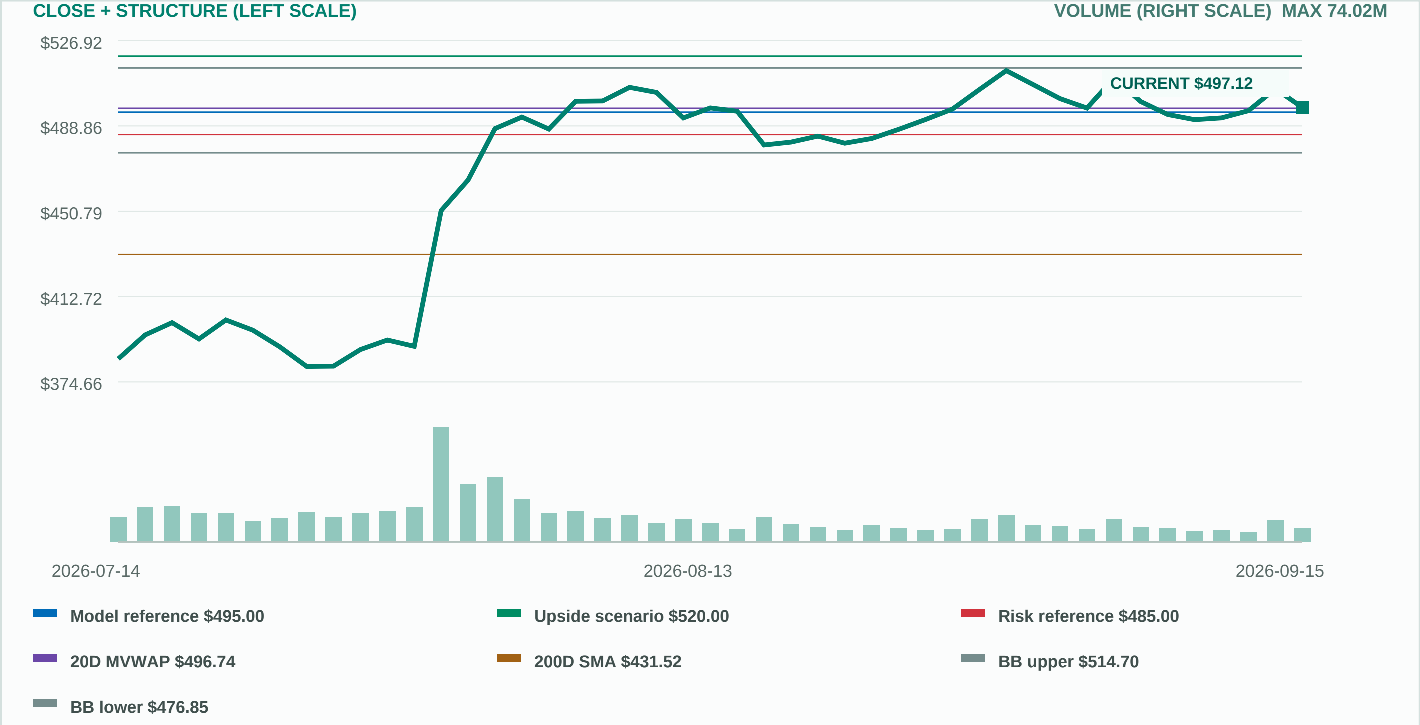
MSFT is trading above its 50-day and 200-day moving averages. | Analysts maintain a 'Strong Buy' rating with price targets around $565-$573. | Azure growth remains strong at 43% and cloud revenue continues to show strength.

Risk watch

Short-term momentum indicators are showing weakness. | Uncertainty remains around AI capex intensity and FCF margins.

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%	96.5
Strategy Fit	100.0%	73.2
Technical Trend	100.0%	87.1
Market Tail Risk	100.0%	56.3
Fundamental Quality	100.0%	84.2
Volatility Pressure	100.0%	40.8

Decision summary

Primary model reads before the detailed indicator appendix

Momentum
strong_bull

Institutional flow
Above MVWAP

Structure
Above 200D trend

Volatility
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)	**50.06 / 55.85 / 58.13**
RSI velocity	**0.28**
MACD line / signal / histogram	**9.38 / - / 12.47**
MACD acceleration	**-0.55**
Stochastic K / D	**45.46 / 42.27**

Institutional footprints

Volume-weighted cost, price location and flow

Current read	**Above institutional MVWAP | Accumulation bias**
Institutional flow	**0.51**
20-day MVWAP	**$496.74**
Price vs 20-day MVWAP	**+0.44%**
Daily reference VWAP	**$499.52**
Price vs daily reference	**-0.12%**
Volume	**9.12M**

Structural context

Long-term trend and volatility boundaries

Current read	**Above 200-day trend | Positive macro velocity**
Macro velocity	**0.43**
20-day / 200-day SMA	**$495.77 / $431.52**
Bollinger range	**$476.85 - $514.70**
Bollinger position	**0.536**

Options and volatility intelligence

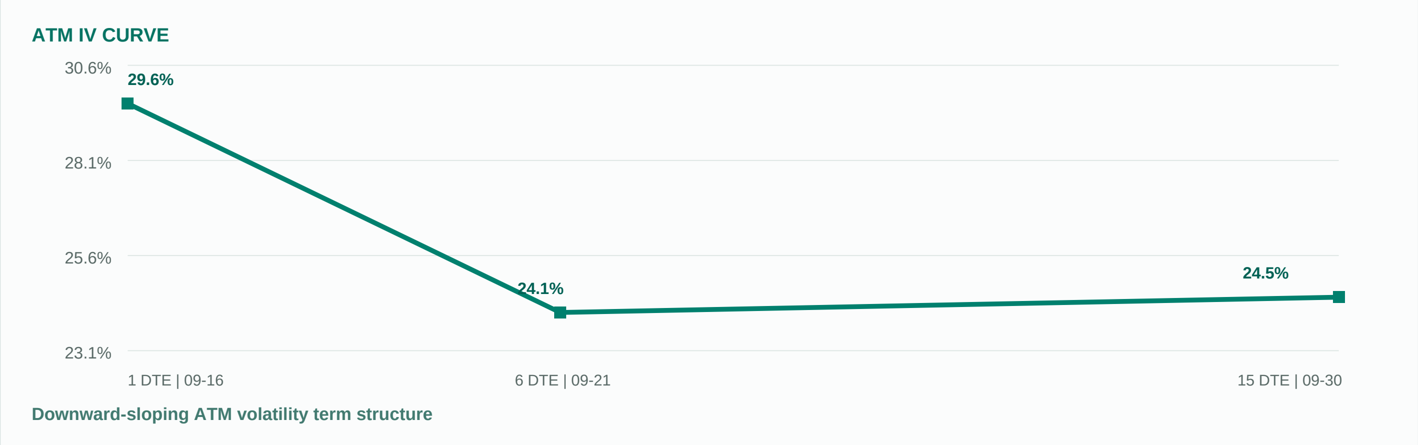
Structure, premium conditions and principal risks

IV rank	IV percentile	VVIX	SKEW
23 / 100	24 / 100	96.24	152.09

Market regime	**Calm**
Tail-risk regime	**NORMAL TAIL RISK**
Term structure	**backwardation**
Term slope	**-5.07 pts**
Skew read	**balanced**
Liquidity / quote coverage	**98.3%**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Sep 15, 2026 2:32 PM EDT**
Options data quality	**Coverage 88.9%**

Option term structure

ATM implied-volatility curve by days to expiration



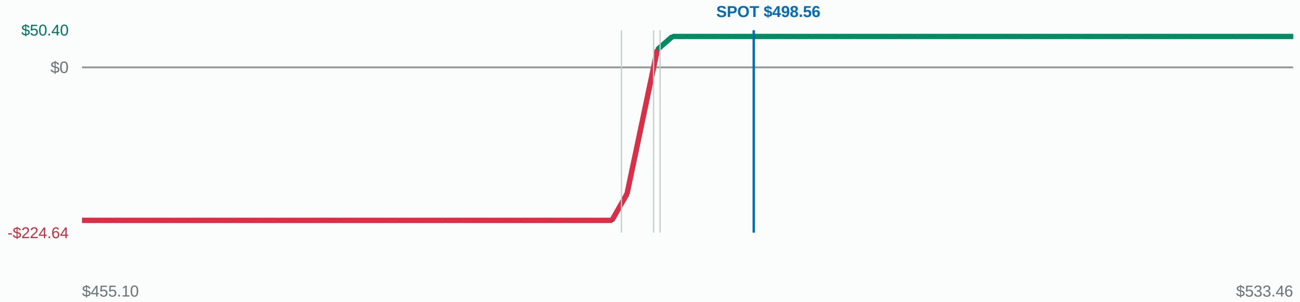
EXPIRATION	DTE	ATM IV	STATE
2026-09-16	1	29.6%	-
2026-09-21	6	24.1%	-
2026-09-30	15	24.5%	-

Reference spread payoff

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

Bull Put Spread reference

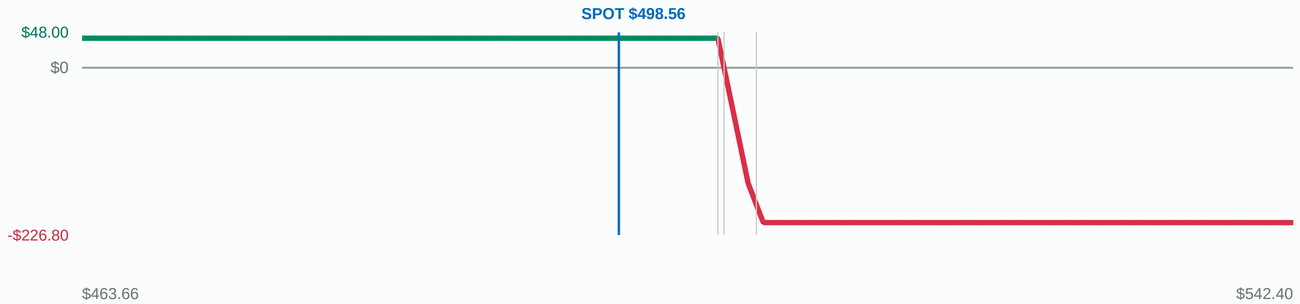
Short $492.50 | Long $490.00 | Width $2.50 | Net credit $0.42



Max profit $42.00 | Max loss -$208.00 | Break-even $492.08 | Per contract at expiry

Bear Call Spread reference

Short $505.00 | Long $507.50 | Width $2.50 | Net credit $0.40



Max profit $40.00 | Max loss -$210.00 | Break-even $505.40 | Per contract at expiry

Event and tail-risk context

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

Next earnings date	**2026-10-28**
Earnings IV-crush risk	**NOT MEASURED**
VIX	**17.43**
VVIX	**96.24**
SKEW index	**152.09**
Observation confidence	**high**
Option quote quality	**reliable**
Contracts observed	**116**

Event and tail-risk context (continued)

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

FIELD	VALUE
Contracts with quotes	**114**

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

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Fundamentals and events

Business quality, valuation and upcoming event context

Market capitalization **$3.75T**	P/E (TTM) **27.61**
ROE **33.2%**	Revenue growth **16.1%**
EPS growth **22.8%**	Operating margin **46.7%**
Net profit margin **40.3%**	Gross margin **-**
Free cash flow CAGR **3.6%**	Debt / equity **0.24**
Dividend yield **0.8%**	Beta **1.06**
52-week range **$349.20 - $553.72**	

Company or fund profile

Issuer identity and classification

Name **Microsoft Corp**	Market **NYSE**
Industry **Technology**	Country **US**
Currency **USD**	IPO date **1986-03-13**
Shares outstanding **7.43B**	52-week return **-0.9%**
Book value per share **$59.56**	Revenue per share **$44.60**

Website	**microsoft.com / En In**

Latest strategy observation

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

MSFT Covered Call signal

Sep 15, 2026 9:34 AM EDT

Covered Call | 2026-09-16

At signal $500.36 | Current $498.91

SHORT **Option $500.00 B $3.80 / A $4.10**

High turnover | CR $3.95

Complete technical details

Full supporting indicator set used by the symbol detail experience

Volatility and options market

Price movement and premium conditions

ATR	**$10.90**
ATR as % of price	**2.2%**
Volatility environment	**medium**
Current IV	**23.3%**
IV rank	**18 / 100**
IV percentile	**18 / 100**
Technical Snapshot IV source	**Private fundamentals snapshot**
Technical Snapshot IV observed at	**Sep 15, 2026 3:51 PM EDT**

Technical health and risk radar

Derived indicator health and event context

Overall health	**91 / 100**
Trend health	**92 / 100**
Momentum health	**98 / 100**
Volatility health	**77 / 100**
Structure health	**96 / 100**
Earnings risk / date	**low | 2026-10-28**
Macro risk	**unknown**
Volatility risk	**medium**
Structure risk	**low**

Structural indicator levels

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

SMA (20 / 50 / 200)	**$495.77 / $458.17 / $431.52**
EMA (9 / 21)	**$498.02 / $492.25**
Bollinger upper / middle / lower	**$514.70 / $495.77 / $476.85**

Structural indicator levels (continued)

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

FIELD	VALUE
Bollinger %B	**0.536**
True high / low	**$505.90 / $495.54**
5-day true high / low	**$509.95 / $486.00**

Three-day indicator history

Short-horizon change and the underlying three-session observations

INDICATOR	3-DAY CHANGE	SESSION 1 / 2 / 3
SMA20	0.426	**-**
SMA50	2.244	**-**
MVWAP20	0.507	**-**
MACD	-0.546	**-**
RSI	0.276	**-**
Volume	491239.330	**-**
ATR	-0.026	**-**
T1	-	**10.17 / 495.64 / 509.95 / 495.34**
T2	-	**10.17 / 495.12 / 498.97 / 492.44**
T3	-	**11.02 / 495.22 / 494.52 / 486.00**

Detailed options evidence

Supporting option-chain, execution and data-quality observations

Underlying price at observation	**$498.56**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Sep 15, 2026 2:32 PM EDT**
Options data coverage	**88.9%**
SKEW regime	**HIGH TAIL RISK SKEW**
VVIX regime	**VVIX RISING**
Front expiration / DTE	**2026-09-16 | 1 DTE**
Front at-the-money IV	**29.6%**
25-delta skew	**0.91**
Put / Call 25-delta	**$492.50 Delta -0.227 / $505.00 Delta 0.212**
Median option bid/ask spread	**11.3%**
Bid/ask spread	**-**
Contracts observed / quoted	**116 / 114**

Price context

Last Price: 498.56 | Bid: 498.53 | Ask: 498.60 | Previous Close: 505.41 | Change: -6.85 | Daily change: -1.36% | Update Time: 2026-09-15T14:32:17.478282-04:00 | Latest History Date: 2026-09-15 | Latest History Price: 498.60

Historical context

Trading-day sample: 60 sessions | First Date: 2026-06-22 | Latest Date: 2026-09-15 | Latest Price: 498.60 | Max Drawdown 60d Percent: -5.65%

Fundamental context

Current Iv Percent: 24.63% | Iv Rank: 23.11 | Iv Percentile: 23.90 | Next Earnings Date: 2026-10-28 | Ex Dividend Date: 2026-08-19

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