Microsoft Corporation / MSFT

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Current price	Daily move	Bid / Ask	Previous close
$531.30	-24.50 -4.41%	$531.05/$532.00	$555.80

Market	**NYSE**
Industry	**Technology**
Market data as of	**Nov 5, 2026 11:31 PM EST**

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JW Rank	Rank label	Confidence	IV percentile
75.9 / 100	Constructive	high	27 / 100

Model reference	Upside scenario	Risk reference	Wheel strategy fit
$534.00	$554.00	$526.00	85 / 100

Options stance	**mixed**
Tail-risk safety	**56 / 100**
JW Rank data coverage / as of	**100.0% | Nov 5, 2026 6:50 PM EST**

Key insight

MSFT Option Market Shows Caution After Neocloud Partner News

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	**Nov 5, 2026 1:55 PM EST**

Short-term scenario

Cautious tactical bounce only, not a chase. Prefer a 1-3 week entry near the session-low/support zone if $530-$533 holds; stand aside if that area fails ahead of the jobs report. This is not a high-conviction call: narrative and index volatility can overwhelm fundamentals over this horizon.

Three-month outlook

Base case is modestly constructive: Azure growth still guided near 50%, a $677B backlog, and analyst targets in the low-to-mid $600s leave room for a recovery toward roughly $560-$610 if capacity delivery stabilizes and the broader tech tape stops correcting. Bear case is a deeper reset toward the 50-day (~$515) or even the $500 area if capex-ROI doubts, power delays, and a Nasdaq correction persist; a move all the way to the 200-day is possible but not the central 3-month path. Valuation is disputed—Street targets imply mid-teens upside from here, while at least one narrative model called the post-election price materially overvalued—so multiple compression can offset earnings beats. Uncertainty is high: Friday's jobs report, unconfirmed supplier-contract outcomes, regulatory and grid constraints, and conflicting live technical readings can all change the path. This is analysis, not a guarantee or personalized advice.

Market sentiment

Nov 5 posts are split and cautious rather than uniformly bullish. One view is that the neocloud selloff is being read backwards: Microsoft still needs compute and is dropping suppliers that cannot deliver on time, so demand is intact even if middlemen suffer. Another cluster treats the headline as an AI-capex unwind, with MSFT the trigger for a Nasdaq correction (Nasdaq described as down sharply and more than 10% off its October high ahead of Friday's jobs report). Older posts in the sample still show residual skepticism that strong Azure beats have not reliably produced follow-through. Engagement on the freshest posts is thin, so this is a noisy read, not a measured sentiment index. Uncertainty: X keyword search was rate-limited; the sample is small and not representative.

Supporting evidence

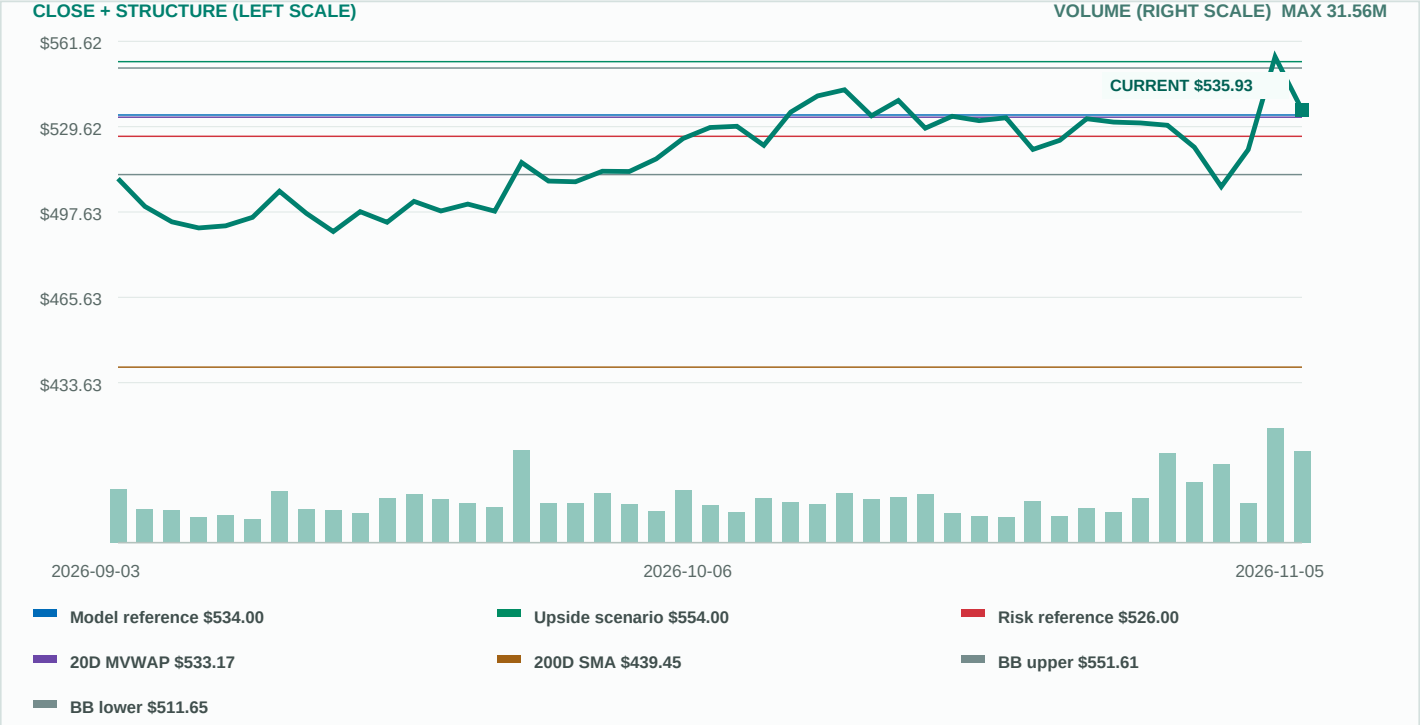
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Risk watch

The impact of Microsoft's decision on its cloud growth trajectory remains unclear.

Enhanced price structure

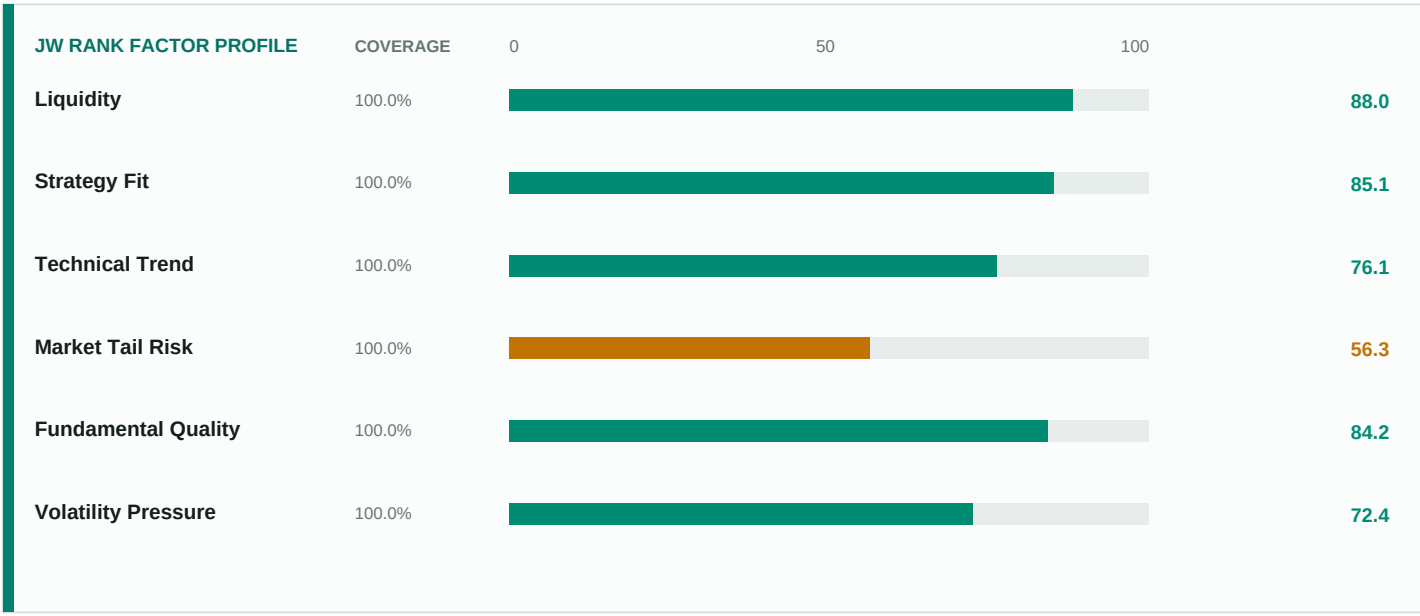
45 trading days with volume, model levels and current technical reference bands



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 accelerating**
Trend signal	**STRONG BULL**
RSI signal	**neutral**
RSI (7 / 14 / 21)	**53.89 / 54.45 / 55.50**
RSI velocity	**4.77**
MACD line / signal / histogram	**4.70 / - / 5.10**
MACD acceleration	**0.66**
Stochastic K / D	**64.07 / 44.41**

Institutional footprints

Volume-weighted cost, price location and flow

Current read	**Below institutional MVWAP | Accumulation bias**
Institutional flow	**1.14**
20-day MVWAP	**$533.17**
Price vs 20-day MVWAP	**-0.35%**
Daily reference VWAP	**$542.07**
Price vs daily reference	**-1.99%**
Volume	**25.08M**

Structural context

Long-term trend and volatility boundaries

Current read	**Above 200-day trend | Positive macro velocity**
Macro velocity	**0.52**
20-day / 200-day SMA	**$531.63 / $439.45**
Bollinger range	**$511.65 - $551.61**
Bollinger position	**0.608**

Options and volatility intelligence

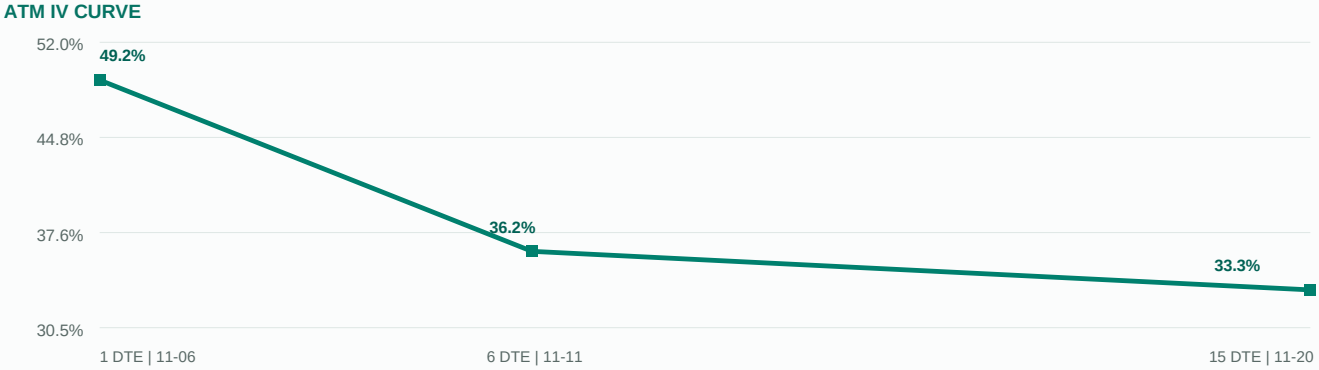
Structure, premium conditions and principal risks

IV rank	IV percentile	VVIX	SKEW
52 / 100	**78 / 100**	**124.07**	**150.90**

Market regime	**Calm**
Tail-risk regime	**NORMAL TAIL RISK**
Term structure	**backwardation**
Term slope	**-15.83 pts**
Skew read	**PUT DEMAND ELEVATED**
Liquidity / quote coverage	**100.0%**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Nov 5, 2026 2:37 PM EST**
Options data quality	**Coverage 88.9%**

Option term structure

ATM implied-volatility curve by days to expiration



Downward-sloping ATM volatility term structure

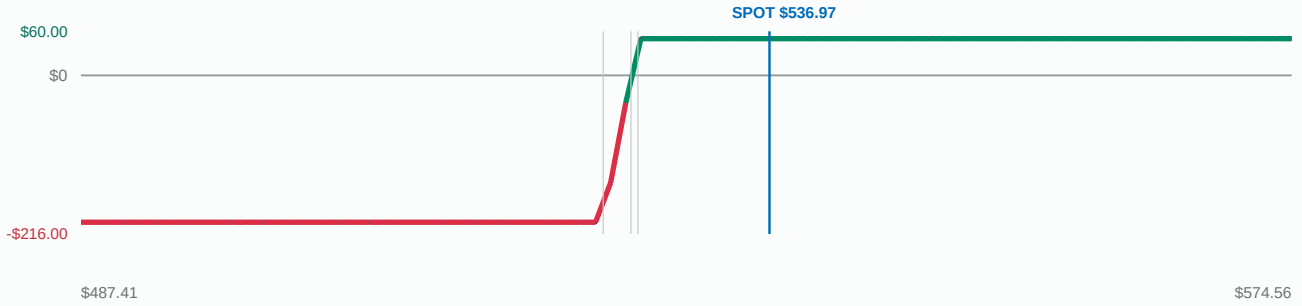
EXPIRATION	DTE	ATM IV	STATE
2026-11-06	1	49.2%	-
2026-11-11	6	36.2%	-
2026-11-20	15	33.3%	-

Reference spread payoff

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

Bull Put Spread reference

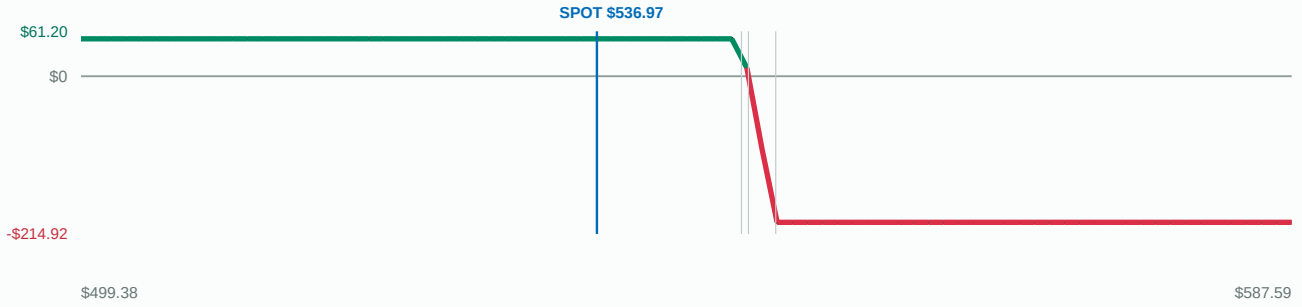
Short $527.50 | Long $525.00 | Width $2.50 | Net credit $0.50



Max profit $50.00 | Max loss -$200.00 | Break-even $527.00 | Per contract at expiry

Bear Call Spread reference

Short $547.50 | Long $550.00 | Width $2.50 | Net credit $0.51



Max profit $51.00 | Max loss -$199.00 | Break-even $548.01 | Per contract at expiry

Event and tail-risk context

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

Next earnings date	**2027-01-27**
Earnings IV-crush risk	**NOT MEASURED**
VIX	**26.33**
VVIX	**124.07**
SKEW index	**150.90**
Observation confidence	**high**
Option quote quality	**reliable**
Contracts observed	**144**

Event and tail-risk context (continued)

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

FIELD	VALUE
Contracts with quotes	**144**

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

Market capitalization	P/E (TTM)
$4.13T	**28.94**
ROE	Revenue growth
33.2%	**16.1%**
EPS growth	Operating margin
22.8%	**47.0%**
Net profit margin	Gross margin
41.2%	**-**
Free cash flow CAGR	Debt / equity
3.6%	**0.24**
Dividend yield	Beta
0.8%	**1.07**

52-week range

$349.20 - $559.15

Company or fund profile

Issuer identity and classification

Name	Market
Microsoft Corporation	**NYSE**
Industry	Country
Technology	**US**
Currency	IPO date
USD	**1986-03-13**
Shares outstanding	52-week return
7.43B	**8.1%**
Book value per share	Revenue per share
$63.35	**$46.53**

Website	**microsoft.com / En In**

Latest strategy observation

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

MSFT Covered Call signal

Nov 4, 2026 9:34 AM EST

Covered Call | 2026-11-06

At signal $544.98 | Current $531.30

SHORT **Option $542.50 B $7.45 / A $8.10**

Conservative | CR $7.78

Complete technical details

Full supporting indicator set used by the symbol detail experience

Volatility and options market

Price movement and premium conditions

ATR	**$15.57**
ATR as % of price	**2.9%**
Volatility environment	**medium**
Current IV	**25.9%**
IV rank	**28 / 100**
IV percentile	**27 / 100**
Technical Snapshot IV source	**Private fundamentals snapshot**
Technical Snapshot IV observed at	**Nov 5, 2026 6:31 PM EST**

Technical health and risk radar

Derived indicator health and event context

Overall health	**88 / 100**
Trend health	**92 / 100**
Momentum health	**99 / 100**
Volatility health	**67 / 100**
Structure health	**89 / 100**
Earnings risk / date	**low | 2027-01-27**
Macro risk	**unknown**
Volatility risk	**medium**
Structure risk	**low**

Structural indicator levels

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

SMA (20 / 50 / 200)	**$531.63 / $516.13 / $439.45**
EMA (9 / 21)	**$531.21 / $527.71**
Bollinger upper / middle / lower	**$551.61 / $531.63 / $511.65**

Structural indicator levels (continued)

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

FIELD	VALUE
Bollinger %B	**0.608**
True high / low	**$557.62 / $532.67**
5-day true high / low	**$559.15 / $504.96**

Three-day indicator history

Short-horizon change and the underlying three-session observations

INDICATOR	3-DAY CHANGE	SESSION 1 / 2 / 3
SMA20	0.518	**-**
SMA50	0.916	**-**
MVWAP20	1.143	**-**
MACD	0.659	**-**
RSI	4.774	**-**
Volume	1175256.000	**-**
ATR	0.922	**-**
T1	-	**4.51 / 531.93 / 559.15 / 520.99**
T2	-	**2.18 / 529.12 / 523.44 / 507.12**
T3	-	**2.72 / 529.74 / 529.63 / 504.96**

Detailed options evidence

Supporting option-chain, execution and data-quality observations

Underlying price at observation	**$536.97**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Nov 5, 2026 2:37 PM EST**
Options data coverage	**88.9%**
SKEW regime	**HIGH TAIL RISK SKEW**
VVIX regime	**VVIX RISING**
Front expiration / DTE	**2026-11-06 | 1 DTE**
Front at-the-money IV	**49.2%**
25-delta skew	**8.37**
Put / Call 25-delta	**$527.50 Delta -0.270 / $547.50 Delta 0.226**
Median option bid/ask spread	**8.9%**
Bid/ask spread	**-**
Contracts observed / quoted	**144 / 144**

Price context

Last Price: 536.97 | Bid: 536.87 | Ask: 536.97 | Previous Close: 555.80 | Change: -18.83 | Daily change: -3.39% | Update Time: 2026-11-05T14:37:05.356627-05:00 | Latest History Date: 2026-11-05 | Latest History Price: 536.84

Historical context

Trading-day sample: 60 sessions | First Date: 2026-08-13 | Latest Date: 2026-11-05 | Latest Price: 536.84 | Max Drawdown 60d Percent: -6.69%

Fundamental context

Current Iv Percent: 32.86% | Iv Rank: 52.25 | Iv Percentile: 78.09 | Next Earnings Date: 2027-01-27 | Ex Dividend Date: 2026-11-18

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Scope, limitations, risk and permitted interpretation

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