Tesla Inc / TSLA

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Current price	Daily move	Bid / Ask	Previous close
$376.49	**+12.22 +3.35%**	**$376.20/$376.50**	**$364.27**

Market	**NYSE**
Industry	**Automobiles**
Market data as of	**Sep 21, 2026 11:33 PM EDT**

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JW Rank	Rank label	Confidence	IV percentile
57.5 / 100	**Balanced**	**high**	**24 / 100**

Model reference	Upside scenario	Risk reference	Wheel strategy fit
$370.00	**$395.00**	**$355.00**	**57 / 100**

Options stance	**mixed**
Tail-risk safety	**32 / 100**
JW Rank data coverage / as of	**100.0% | Sep 21, 2026 7:51 PM EDT**

Key insight

TSLA Option Market Implies Uncertainty Amidst Mixed Signals

Market read

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Strategy context

The current option pricing reflects a market that is unsure of TSLA's direction. The balanced skew suggests traders are not heavily leaning towards either bullish or bearish outcomes.

JW AI conclusions

Short- and medium-term model interpretation

AI context bias	**Mixed**
AI analysis updated	**Sep 21, 2026 1:43 PM EDT**

Short-term scenario

Cautious/hold or buy on minor dip given today's bounce amid mixed technicals (above 50MA but below 200MA) and high uncertainty from Oct 1 Roadster event plus regulatory/Cybercab news; volatility likely. Not financial advice.

Three-month outlook

Highly uncertain. Analyst consensus PT ~$397 implies modest ~6% upside. Potential catalysts include Oct 1 Roadster reveal, Oct 21 earnings, Cybercab progress, FSD approvals, and merger speculation, but risks from high valuation (PE 350+), compressed margins, regulatory hurdles, competition, and execution on autonomy/energy. Possible trading range $340-$430; mixed technicals and sentiment add to caution. Significant event-driven uncertainty.

Market sentiment

Mixed/short-term negative. Ron Baron called it time to buy. Some traders adding positions viewing it mispriced under $500. Sentiment scores -2 to -5/10 showing narrative resistance and cooling after weakness, failing to hold $375. Longer-term optimism persists on FSD/robotaxi runway despite quarter misses. ( )

Supporting evidence

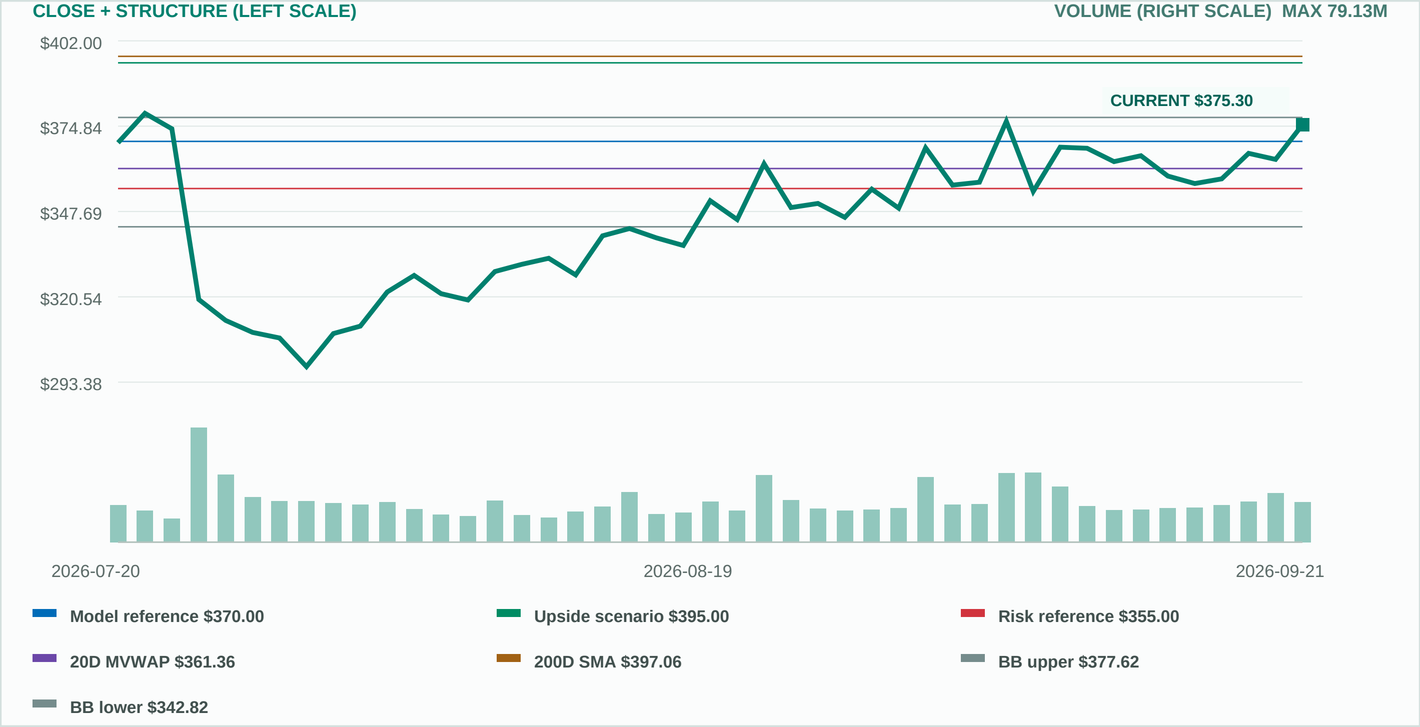
Elevated implied volatility (42.45%) suggests potential for significant price swings. | Slightly flattening term structure with a negative slope (-1.33) indicates uncertainty about future direction. | Balanced delta skew suggests neutral sentiment towards both upside and downside movements. | Recent news flow is mixed, including positive developments like FSD approvals and record grid dispatch alongside concerns about regulatory scrutiny and lawsuits.

Risk watch

Regulatory hurdles for Cybercab could negatively impact the stock price. | Upcoming earnings report may disappoint investors if margins remain compressed.

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%	99.7
Strategy Fit	100.0%	56.5
Technical Trend	100.0%	66.8
Market Tail Risk	100.0%	32.0
Fundamental Quality	100.0%	37.8
Volatility Pressure	100.0%	41.2

Decision summary

Primary model reads before the detailed indicator appendix

Momentum	Institutional flow	Structure	Volatility
bearish_warning	**Above MVWAP**	**Below 200D trend**	**medium**

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)	**65.49 / 58.61 / 55.20**
RSI velocity	**2.50**
MACD line / signal / histogram	**4.66 / - / 3.84**
MACD acceleration	**0.39**
Stochastic K / D	**58.29 / 47.73**

Institutional footprints

Volume-weighted cost, price location and flow

Current read	**Above institutional MVWAP | Accumulation bias**
Institutional flow	**0.92**
20-day MVWAP	**$361.36**
Price vs 20-day MVWAP	**+4.19%**
Daily reference VWAP	**$374.91**
Price vs daily reference	**+0.42%**
Volume	**27.71M**

Structural context

Long-term trend and volatility boundaries

Current read	**Below 200-day trend | Positive macro velocity**
Macro velocity	**0.78**
20-day / 200-day SMA	**$360.22 / $397.06**
Bollinger range	**$342.82 - $377.62**
Bollinger position	**0.933**

Options and volatility intelligence

Structure, premium conditions and principal risks

IV rank	IV percentile	VVIX	SKEW
29 / 100	27 / 100	86.00	148.10

Market regime	**DANGER ZONE**
Tail-risk regime	**NORMAL TAIL RISK**
Term structure	**flat**
Term slope	**-1.33 pts**
Skew read	**balanced**
Liquidity / quote coverage	**100.0%**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Sep 21, 2026 2:39 PM EDT**
Options data quality	**Coverage 88.9%**

Option term structure

ATM implied-volatility curve by days to expiration

ATM IV CURVE

Downward-sloping ATM volatility term structure

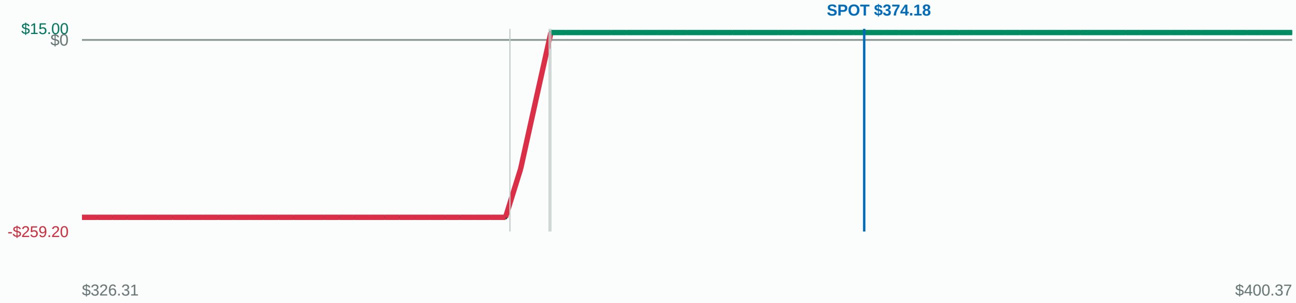
EXPIRATION	DTE	ATM IV	STATE
2026-09-23	2	42.8%	-
2026-09-28	7	37.4%	-
2026-10-09	18	41.4%	-

Reference spread payoff

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

Bull Put Spread reference

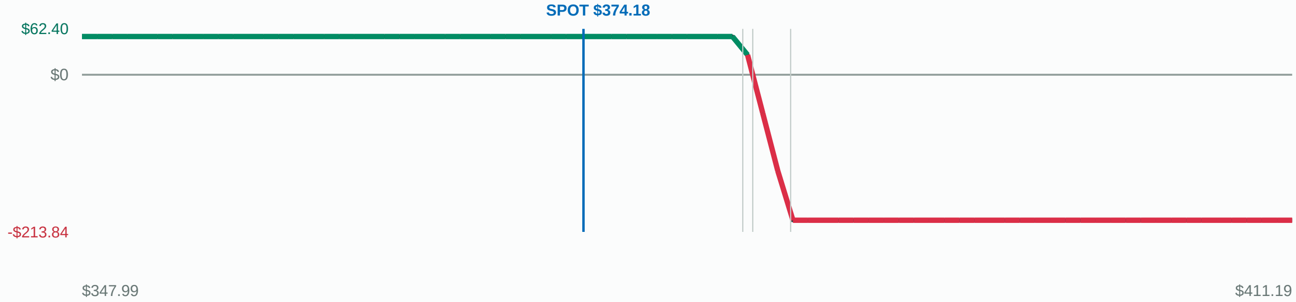
Short $355.00 | Long $352.50 | Width $2.50 | Net credit $0.10



Max profit $10.00 | Max loss -$240.00 | Break-even $354.90 | Per contract at expiry

Bear Call Spread reference

Short $382.50 | Long $385.00 | Width $2.50 | Net credit $0.52



Max profit $52.00 | Max loss -$198.00 | Break-even $383.02 | 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	**NOT MEASURED**
VIX	**15.04**
VVIX	**86.00**
SKEW index	**148.10**
Observation confidence	**high**
Option quote quality	**reliable**
Contracts observed	**135**

Event and tail-risk context (continued)

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

FIELD	VALUE
Contracts with quotes	**135**

Strategy fit

Generalized structure fit; not a personalized recommendation

Market structure

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Options context

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Observed evidence

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Principal risks to monitor

Regulatory hurdles for Cybercab could negatively impact the stock price. | Upcoming earnings report may disappoint investors if margins remain compressed.

Fundamentals and events

Business quality, valuation and upcoming event context

Market capitalization **$1.44T**	P/E (TTM) **378.01**
ROE **4.6%**	Revenue growth **5.2%**
EPS growth **-33.3%**	Operating margin **4.2%**
Net profit margin **3.7%**	Gross margin **-**
Free cash flow CAGR **18.2%**	Debt / equity **0.10**
Dividend yield **-**	Beta **1.75**
52-week range **$297.38 - $498.83**	

Company or fund profile

Issuer identity and classification

Name **Tesla Inc**	Market **NYSE**
Industry **Automobiles**	Country **US**
Currency **USD**	IPO date **2010-06-29**
Shares outstanding **3.95B**	52-week return **-12.6%**
Book value per share **$23.13**	Revenue per share **$29.27**

Website	**tesla.com**

Latest strategy observation

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

TSLA Covered Call signal

Sep 21, 2026 10:24 AM EDT

Covered Call | 2026-09-23

At signal $376.02 | Current $376.49

SHORT **Option $375.00 B $5.70 / A $5.80**

High turnover | CR $5.75

Complete technical details

Full supporting indicator set used by the symbol detail experience

Volatility and options market

Price movement and premium conditions

ATR	**$13.26**
ATR as % of price	**3.5%**
Volatility environment	**medium**
Current IV	**42.0%**
IV rank	**27 / 100**
IV percentile	**24 / 100**
Technical Snapshot IV source	**Private fundamentals snapshot**
Technical Snapshot IV observed at	**Sep 21, 2026 3:51 PM EDT**

Technical health and risk radar

Derived indicator health and event context

Overall health	**60 / 100**
Trend health	**38 / 100**
Momentum health	**94 / 100**
Volatility health	**57 / 100**
Structure health	**57 / 100**
Earnings risk / date	**low | 2026-10-21**
Macro risk	**unknown**
Volatility risk	**medium**
Structure risk	**medium**

Structural indicator levels

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

SMA (20 / 50 / 200)	**$360.22 / $349.60 / $397.06**
EMA (9 / 21)	**$364.62 / $359.69**
Bollinger upper / middle / lower	**$377.62 / $360.22 / $342.82**

Structural indicator levels (continued)

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

FIELD	VALUE
Bollinger %B	**0.933**
True high / low	**$378.36 / $364.27**
5-day true high / low	**$378.36 / $354.05**

Three-day indicator history

Short-horizon change and the underlying three-session observations

INDICATOR	3-DAY CHANGE	SESSION 1 / 2 / 3
SMA20	0.778	-
SMA50	-0.684	-
MVWAP20	0.916	-
MACD	0.385	-
RSI	2.500	-
Volume	693503.330	-
ATR	0.010	-
T1	-	**3.81 / 360.53 / 370.90 / 360.75**
T2	-	**3.79 / 359.64 / 374.12 / 358.08**
T3	-	**3.51 / 358.61 / 365.05 / 354.89**

Detailed options evidence

Supporting option-chain, execution and data-quality observations

Underlying price at observation	**$374.18**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Sep 21, 2026 2:39 PM EDT**
Options data coverage	**88.9%**
SKEW regime	**HIGH TAIL RISK SKEW**
VVIX regime	**VVIX FALLING**
Front expiration / DTE	**2026-09-23 | 2 DTE**
Front at-the-money IV	**42.8%**
25-delta skew	**3.00**
Put / Call 25-delta	**$355.00 / $382.50 Delta 0.259**
Median option bid/ask spread	**2.5%**
Bid/ask spread	**-**
Contracts observed / quoted	**135 / 135**

Price context

Last Price: 374.18 | Bid: 374.16 | Ask: 374.21 | Previous Close: 364.27 | Change: 9.91 | Daily change: 2.72% | Update Time: 2026-09-21T14:39:53.009339-04:00 | Latest History Date: 2026-09-21 | Latest History Price: 374.15

Historical context

Trading-day sample: 60 sessions | First Date: 2026-06-26 | Latest Date: 2026-09-21 | Latest Price: 374.15 | Max Drawdown 60d Percent: -29.86%

Fundamental context

Current Iv Percent: 42.45% | Iv Rank: 28.66 | Iv Percentile: 26.69 | Next Earnings Date: 2026-10-21 | Ex Dividend Date: N/A

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