



**Sector Leaders**

Solar

Aero

Industrials

**Stock Gainers**

DQ 17%

LAUR 16%

ZUMZ 14%

ZYME 14%

ACMR 13%

TECK 12.8%

OSUR 11.8%

**Volatility Gainers**

- FLR
- AMRN
- NKLA
- CYTK
- ZYME
- CLDR

**High Call Volume**

- AXNX
- NAV
- DVA
- PRTK
- CX
- NLOK

**Bullish Options**

- ETSY
- KHC
- MU
- ZYME
- BABA
- STAY
- JD
- DIS
- UN
- VIPS
- HPE

**Market Review:** Stocks were higher overnight but sank in early US trading while breadth actually held up and saw a rebound after the first thirty minutes of trading, a light day of news. Industrials were among the strongest morning performers as well as Materials while Biotech saw a rebound. Banks continued to lag while Software was also mostly in the red. The selling pressure, specifically in Tech, picked up into the early afternoon as investors continued a move out of risk into the weekend and breadth deteriorated. With breadth indicators remaining in sell signals and price-action weak, continue to be cautious near-term for markets with room to test lower, especially considering the lack of positive catalysts. The Fed will definitely be the focus next week as well as earnings from Fed-Ex and Adobe.

**S&P Chart:**



Resistance	Support
3,450	3,350
3,510	3,275
3,585	3,255

**Options Action Trends:** Put action was active early into the higher open, with buyers in some Biotech names and REITs while some longer dated size call positions in mega-cap Tech also looked to be closing out. We saw some bullish action in Chinese Internet names **BABA, JD, PDD**. We saw midday size calls bought in precious metal leaders **WPM, NEM, GOLD**.

**What's On Tap:** Looking ahead to next week it will be September options expiration. The economic schedule is fairly active with Industrial Production and Retail Sales early in the week as well as the Fed on Wednesday. The earnings schedule is extremely quiet outside of Lennar, Adobe and Fed-Ex while the Conference schedule will remain active.

**Trade Tracker Portfolio Changes:**

- 1) No Changes

**Sector Laggards**

Payments

Banks

Software

**Stock Losers**

NFE -12.5%

SPRO -9.5%

ITCI -9.45%

PLAY -9%

APRN -8.5%

HQY -8.5%

MMSI -8%

**Volatility Losers**

- EXEL
- OPK
- PTON
- CHWY
- PLAY
- TLRV

**High Put Volume**

- HUN
- CYTK
- EQR
- MUR
- DVA
- MTZ

**Bearish Options**

- INCY
- EQR
- EPR
- EXEL
- IRBT
- VIAC
- ALLY



## FEATURED OPTIONS RADAR REPORT



### Wal-Mart Seen Attractive into Pullback

**Ticker/Price:** WMT (\$136.75)

#### Analysis:

**Wal-Mart (WMT)** with a bullish opening sale of 1500 November \$140 puts for \$8.85 on 9/10 and follows some recent action with October \$155/\$170 call spreads bought and a 10,000 contract June 2021 buy of the \$200 strike calls remains in open interest. WMT shares after hitting new highs have retraced nearly 50% of the move since July and support back in the \$131/\$133 zone. WMT recently rolled out Walmart+ that offers unlimited free delivery and other benefits. WMT has also been discussed as a potential buyer of TikTok US operations, teaming up with Microsoft. WMT is coming off a very impressive quarter as its eCommerce initiatives are positioning it well while other retail closures are resulting in market share gains. WMT has pulled back recently with the uncertainty around further consumer stimulus payments, but a stimulus deal would likely boost shares. The \$400B company now trades 25X Earnings, 0.75X Sales and 22.85X FCF with a 1.54% dividend yield. WMT revenues are expected to grow around 5% this year, slowing in 2H. Analysts have an average target of \$146 and short interest is low at 1% of the float. Jefferies has a \$157 target and sees it growing its ecosystem and becoming a stronger competitor to Amazon. CSFB has a \$135 target and sees Walmart+ as a positive for the longer-term story. Jefferies sees a deal for TikTok as potentially transformative, noting the combination of Walmart's omni-channel capabilities and purchase data with Microsoft's Azure cloud infrastructure and a social media platform with 100M monthly average users in the U.S. would be a strong step in the direction of establishing a legitimate digital ecosystem. MSCO is Overweight with a \$150 target and sees the valuable data/ad opportunity with TikTok and a boost to WMT's third-party e-commerce marketplace. Hedge Fund ownership fell 10% in Q2 filings.

#### Hawk Vision:



**Hawk's Perspective:** WMT certainly is no longer boring with a lot of moving parts currently. Its one of the better Retail stories right now and eyeing better price action.

**Confidence Ranking:** \$\$



## FEATURED OPTIONS RADAR REPORT



### Pinterest Bullish Options Activity Surges

Ticker/Price: PINS (\$34.70)

#### Analysis:

**Pinterest (PINS)** continues to see bullish options activity on a daily basis and on 9/11 saw longer-term bullish positioning as 7000 February \$37 calls traded for over \$4.5M. Earlier in the week September 2021 \$28 puts sold to open 2700X and October \$34 calls bought another 3000X. PINS has a good amount of call open interest in October \$34/\$35 strikes, in November the \$25 calls with over 11,000 and the \$35 calls over 35,000, and in December recent buys of 10,000 of the \$32 calls, 8000 of the \$35 calls and 9000 of the \$38 calls. PINS was one of the real big earnings winners in Q2 and shares since have consolidated that move, and above \$37 can start to extend out of a pattern that targets \$50 upside. PINS is benefitting from the acceleration of ecommerce and social shopping with its Shop function introduced earlier this year as well as a partnership with Shopify. PINS continues to focus on content, ads, and use expansion while video is a growing segment. The \$22B internet company trades 10X FY21 EV/Sales with revenues seen accelerating to 34% growth in 2021 and margins/EPS really start to rise. Analysts have an average target of \$37.50 and short interest remains high at 25% of the float. Pivotal upgraded to Buy with a \$44.50 target on 8-3 noting last quarter was a true inflection point with estimates of \$900M in EBITDA by 2023. Baird raised its target to \$41 this week on PINS seeing better advertising budget allocations. On 8/10 MSCO upgraded to Overweight with a \$44 target as the purest play on social shopping and sees better monetization ahead. Hedge Fund ownership jumped 32.7% in Q2 filings, ARK Investment adding to its position and Jericho Capital with a new stake.

#### Hawk Vision:



**Hawk's Perspective:** PINS is positioned so well for a number of emerging trends and think it will continue to be a leading performer in the Internet space for years to come.

**Confidence Ranking:** \$\$

# ***Additional Options Flow***

## **Market/ETFs**

**Volatility Futures (VXX)** early buy of 5000 October \$32/\$43 call spreads for \$1.05

**Financials (XLF)** with 8000 June \$26 calls bought to open \$1.609 to \$1.62

**NASDAQ (QQQ)** large trade this morning sold 8550 October \$254 puts to open \$4.99 in a stock replacement

**Pharma ETF (PPH)** which rarely trades options with 1950 January \$58 puts bought here for \$2.50

## **Consumer Discretionary/Services**

**Viacom (VIAC)** buyer 3000 October \$30 puts to open \$2.15 offer

**Disney (DIS)** seeing September \$136 calls bought this morning trading 5900X up to \$1.30

**Penn Gaming (PENN)** buyer 400 April \$70 calls for \$13. **Penn (PENN)** with 650 January 2022 \$55 puts sold to open for \$17.40 and November \$65 call buyers 1000X today

**Stitch Fix (SFIX)** with 2300 Oct. \$30 calls opening up to \$2.10

**Skechers (SKX)** strong session and 1000 October \$33 calls bought \$1 offer here

**Planet Fitness (PLNT)** with 2150 September \$55 puts sold to open \$1.25 into day lows

**Tiffany's (TIF)** spread puts on 9000 September \$110 / January \$105 put diagonal spreads at \$5.55

**Hilton (HLT)** buyer 1300 October \$80 calls ITM \$8.70 to open

**Boyd (BYD)** a regional gaming name flagging and 2000 November \$29 calls bought here \$2.60 to \$2.65

## **Consumer Goods**

**Kraft (KHC)** sweep buys 10,000 October \$35 calls \$0.30 to \$0.35. **KHC** also seeing buyers active October \$32.50 calls with 4500X. **KHC** Investor Day being held 9/15 as potential catalyst

**I-Robot (IRBT)** another 2500 March \$90 puts being bought

**Smith and Wesson (SWBI)** buyers of 1100 Dec. \$20 calls \$2.65 to \$2.70 offers

**Unilever (UN)** more bull flow today with 1275 February \$60 calls bought \$3.90 to \$4.10 this morning

**Coca Cola (KO)** flagging nicely and 3000 January 2022 \$47.5/\$70 call spreads bought today

**Vista Outdoor (VSTO)** with 1180 February \$17.50 calls opening \$6.30 with Dec. \$15 adjusting into the 7% move higher on the upgrade

**Yum Brands (YUM)** pulling back this week to key support with the 200 MA and VPOC just below lows and seeing 750 April \$85 puts sell to open \$5.50

**ARAMARK (ARMK)** with 7500 October \$27 puts sold to open down to \$1.70

**Mondelez (MDLZ)** unusual buy 10,000 September \$58.50 calls up to \$0.45

## **Energy**

**Marathon Petro (MPC)** with 15,000 January \$35 calls opening \$1.74 as the \$40 calls adjust

**Scorpio (STNG)** with 4000 October \$12 puts sold to open \$0.60

**Cheniere Energy (LNG)** with 2250 October \$47.5/\$42.5 put spreads bought

**Talos Energy (TALO)** into weakness with 12,500 Dec. \$5 puts sold to open \$0.73

**Chart Industries (GTLS)** with 2000 October \$65/\$55 put spreads opening as September \$65 puts adjust, stock tied

### Financials

**Equity Residential (EQR)** buyer 5000 October \$50 puts for \$0.75

**Entertainment Properties (EPR)** with 1050 January \$20 puts bought up to \$1.20

**Extended Stay (STAY)** buyer 10,000 January \$12/\$10 bull risk reversals for \$0.80 debit

**Radian (RDN)** bull activity with 1600 February \$17/\$13 bull risk reversals opening at a \$0.40 debit

**Ally Financial (ALLY)** buyer 5500 October \$20 puts \$0.49 as Sep. \$18 adjust

**US Bancorp (USB)** opening sales 3000 Oct. 9th (W) \$36 puts down to \$1.65

**AIG** with 2000 January 2022 \$20 puts sold to open down to \$2.05. **AIG** also with October \$29 puts being sold to open 8000X today

**Morgan Stanley (MS)** opening sale 1000 April \$45 puts for \$3.13

**Euronet (EFT)** sold off sharply the past week and seeing 1270 October \$85 puts sell to open today \$2.50 to \$2.40

**Citi (C)** buyer 10,000 Sep. \$50.5/\$49 put spreads for \$0.35 into the Fed next week

**Zions (ZION)** buyer 2000 September \$32 calls \$0.59 to \$0.63

**PayPal (PYPL)** spread buys 500 January 2022 \$300 calls \$7.90 and sells 1000 of the \$160 puts \$21.20. **PYPL** also with 650 April \$170 puts sold to open today \$17.15

**Fifth Third Bancorp (FITB)** strong day and rising after 3500 September \$21 calls bought earlier today

### Healthcare

**IntraCellular (ITCI)** early action sells 1000 October \$28 puts to open \$3.25

**Incyte (INCY)** with 880 October \$85 puts bought \$3.80 to \$4.10 in early action

**Zymeworks (ZYME)** buyer 2000 September \$35 calls \$1.45, has over 6000 Oct. \$35 calls in OI

**Exelixis (EXEL)** buyer 2300 October \$20/\$15 put spreads

**Zogenix (ZGNX)** drops as 20,000 October \$27.5 calls sold to open

**Illumina (ILMN)** bullish spread buys 175 January \$380 calls \$19.50 and sells 350 of the \$330 puts to open \$23.50

**Alexion (ALXN)** earlier today with 825 January \$115 calls bought \$7.57 to \$8 to open

**Jazz Pharma (JAZZ)** with 300 deep ITM March \$160 puts being sold to open \$29.50

**Amicus (FOLD)** moved off day lows with 1000 April \$15 calls bought up to \$2.35

### Industrials

**Tesla (TSLA)** with 2000 October \$430 puts opening as the September adjust

**Virgin Galactic (SPCE)** with 2500 Oct. 2nd (W) \$16.5 puts opening \$1.05 as Sep. \$17 adjust

**Boeing (BA)** working on a reversal candle today with Aerospace strong, the November \$170 calls active with buyers as 4,120 are trading with buyer flow \$12.70 to \$13

**Nikola (NKLA)** down 15% and seeing 1500 June 2021 \$35 calls sold to open \$14.25 to \$13.85

**KC Southern (KSU)** spread selling 1000 Dec. \$210 calls to buy \$185/\$165 put spreads, likely collaring stock holding

**Cummins (CMI)** nice bull flag set-up and 700 October \$220 calls bought today \$3.45 to \$3.80

### Materials

**Barrick Gold (GOLD)** with 5500 October \$32 calls being sold to open down to \$1. **GOLD** into day lows with 5500 Nov. \$31 calls bought \$2.08 offer

**Dow Chemical (DOW)** strong mover and 5000 December \$55 calls bought \$2.17 here as Sep. \$50 adjust

**Wheaton Precious Metals (WPM)** buyer 3000 October \$55 calls \$2.45 offer into day lows

**Newmont (NEM)** now with 3000 December \$70 calls bought \$4.55 offer

**Axalta (AXTA)** buy-write with 1500 January \$24 calls sold \$1.75

### Tech and Telecom

**Etsy (ETSY)** buyer 750 March \$130 OTM calls \$15.50 to \$15.75 after size March call buys yesterday and BTIG upgrading this morning

**Micron (MU)** buyers active this morning 5000 September \$47 calls

**Alibaba (BABA)** stock replacement buys 1000 March \$280 calls to open \$26.85. **BABA** 10,000 September \$272.50 calls sold to open for \$6. **BABA** 2000 June 2021 \$300 puts sold to open ITM for \$48.55

**JD.com (JD)** bullish opening sale 10,000 March \$75 puts for \$10

**VIPSHOP (VIPS)** into weakness seeing 2675 February \$17 calls open \$2.35 to \$2.50

**Workday (WDAY)** buyers of 280 March \$230 calls for around \$500K today after recent Dec. call buys

**HP Enterprise (HPE)** with 2200 November \$7 ITM calls being bought to open today \$2.40 to \$2.50, name with some recent size opening put sales

**Analog Devices (ADI)** buy-write sells 1200 Jan. 2022 \$145 calls for \$6.20

**Crowd-Strike (CRWD)** with 1435 June 2021 \$105 puts sold to open near \$13.85

**HP (HPQ)** with 1220 June 2021 \$20 puts sold to open \$3.05

**Digital Realty (DLR)** afternoon buyer 1000 January \$120 puts at \$4

**Pure Storage (PSTG)** with 2000 November \$15 puts opening as September \$17.5 short puts adjust

### Utility

**AES Corp (AES)** jumpy with 13,000 Oct. \$19 calls being bought \$0.20 to \$0.35

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