

Tesla, Inc. (TSLA) - ANALYST REPORT

Executive Summary with Comprehensive Analysis

\$422.24 **-\$21.06 (-4.75%)** AS OF 2026-05-15

Strategy: Conservative Stop Loss (Fixed ATR-based)

■ QUICK DECISION

Action: HOLD | Confidence: LOW | Signal Strength: 3/7

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - Essential Metrics

TECHNICAL METRICS	VALUE	FUNDAMENTAL METRICS	VALUE
Current Price	\$422.24	Market Cap	\$1585.8B
Past Win Rate (Backtest)	54.5%	Forward P/E	168.0x
Past Total Return	+177.3%	Analyst Target	\$412.25
RSI / Trend Strength	58 / 26	Upside to Target	-2.4%
MACD Signal	Bullish	Revenue Growth	+15.8%
Profit Factor	4.60	Institutional Own.	44.8%
Position Entry	2026-05-11 @ \$445.00	Analyst Ratings	20 Buy / 17 Hold / 8 Sell
Open Position Past P&L	-5.1%		

■ TECHNICAL ANALYSIS SUMMARY

Indicator	Value	Signal
EMA 20	\$408.15	Bullish
EMA 50	\$398.17	Bullish
RSI (14)	58.0	Neutral range
Trend Strength (ADX)	26.1	Strong trend (25-50)

■ CONSENSUS & INVESTMENT RATIONALE

RATING	HOLD
Target Price	\$412.25
Upside/Downside	-2.4%
Risk/Reward	0.16:1
Time Horizon	6-12 months

Investment Rationale: Our HOLD rating is based on: (1) Technical backtest showing 54.5% win rate with +177.3% total return over backtest period, (2) -2.4% upside to analyst consensus target of \$412.25, (3) Strong fundamental growth profile with +15.8% revenue growth, and (4) 44.8% institutional ownership indicating moderate conviction from professional investors.

Action: Maintain position with -5.1% unrealized gain. Watch for confluence signal to add.

Technical Signal: Confluence 3/7 (threshold: 5) | **Risk/Reward:** Neutral

■ KEY INSIGHT

The fixed stop strategy has proven effective (Win Rate: 54.5%, Avg Return: +28.4%), but patience is critical. Only enter on confirmed signals with proper risk management. Current technical confluence of 3 does not meet entry threshold of 5 - remain on sidelines. Fundamental backdrop shows 8% earnings growth with 45% institutional ownership, indicating moderate conviction from professional investors.

■ INTELLIGENT STOP LOSS STRATEGY

METRIC	VALUE	DETAILS
Current Price	\$422.24	Latest market price
Buy Stop Loss	\$387.88	Conservative 2.0x ATR (8.1% distance)
Position Stop Loss	\$375.00	Hybrid 2.75x ATR (11.2% distance)
ATR (14-day)	\$17.18	Volatility: 4.1% of price
ADX Strength	26.1	Strong trend

Status: Position down -5% - Wider stops for recovery

ADX: 20-25 = Emerging trend | 25-50 = Strong trend | 50+ = Very strong

■ Strategy Comparison: Conservative vs Hybrid

METRIC	CONSERVATIVE (2.0x ATR)	HYBRID (Adaptive)
Past Win Rate	55%	62%
Past Total Return	+177.3%	+280.9%
Max Drawdown	-35.8%	-15.6%
Total Trades	22	26
Position	OPEN	OPEN

Both strategies analyzed independently. Conservative uses fixed 2.0x ATR stops. Hybrid adapts stops based on position profit.

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■ ANALYST RATING CHANGES - COMPLETE HISTORY

All recent upgrades, downgrades, and price target changes (last 90 days)

Firm	Action	From → To	Date
TD Cowen	REITERATED	Buy → Buy	Apr 23, 2026
Cantor Fitzgerald	REITERATED	Overweight → Overweight	Apr 23, 2026
Wedbush	REITERATED	Outperform → Outperform	Apr 23, 2026
Needham	REITERATED	Hold → Hold	Apr 23, 2026
Cantor Fitzgerald	REITERATED	Overweight → Overweight	Apr 22, 2026
Wedbush	REITERATED	Outperform → Outperform	Apr 21, 2026
UBS	UPGRADE	Sell → Neutral	Apr 14, 2026
GLJ Research	REITERATED	Sell → Sell	Mar 30, 2026
Wedbush	REITERATED	Outperform → Outperform	Mar 27, 2026
GLJ Research	REITERATED	Sell → Sell	Mar 12, 2026

Analyst Price Targets

Average Target: \$412.25 (-2.4% from current)

High Target: \$600.00 (+42.1%)

Low Target: \$123.00 (-70.9%)

Current Price: \$422.24

DETAILED ANALYSIS: BUY-SIDE PERSPECTIVE

In-Depth Portfolio Management Analysis

Expected Returns & Position Sizing

Based on backtest performance (Win Rate: 54.5%, Avg Return: +28.4%) and analyst consensus (Target: \$412.25, -2.4% upside), an **UNDERWEIGHT** exposure may be considered. Risk/Reward ratio of 0.16:1 suggests unfavorable risk-adjusted returns. Current open position shows -5.1% unrealized gain, supporting review decision.

Catalyst Calendar & Timing

Next Major Catalyst: Jul 22, 2026 earnings report

Seasonality: Historical analysis shows positive momentum in backtest period

Technical Setup: Bullish confluence

Institutional Activity: 44.8% institutional ownership (Largest: Blackrock Inc.)

Short Interest: 2.3% of float - Moderate short interest

Liquidity Profile

Average Volume: 62.5M shares/day - Highly liquid

Market Cap: \$1585.8B - Large cap

Beta: 1.79 - Higher than market volatility

Execution Risk: Minimal for institutional-sized positions

SELL-SIDE PERSPECTIVE - Investment Research Analysis

Investment Thesis

Tesla, Inc. operates in the Consumer Cyclical sector (Auto Manufacturers). Current valuation of 168.0x forward P/E reflects premium multiples relative to growth prospects. Operating margin of 4.2% shows compressed profitability. **Fundamental Outlook:** Steady Growth - Expanding margins with consistent revenue growth

Valuation Analysis

Forward P/E: 168.0x

Trailing P/E: 383.9x

Price/Sales: 16.20x - Premium valuation

Price/Book: 19.28x

Enterprise Value: \$1557.6B

EV/Revenue: 15.91x (vs industry avg)

Competitive Positioning & Market Share

Key Competitors: BYD, Rivian, Ford (F-150 Lightning), GM (Ultium), NIO

U.S. Market Share: 55% - Market leader

Global Market Share: 18%

Competitive Advantages: Supercharger network, FSD technology lead, Vertical integration

Key Products: Model 3, Model Y, Cybertruck

Institutional Sentiment & Ownership

Institutional Ownership: 44.8% - Moderate institutional interest

Largest Holder: Blackrock Inc. (208.1M shares)

Analyst Coverage: 45 analysts

Consensus: 20 Buy, 17 Hold, 8 Sell - Bullish sentiment

■ 7-DAY NEWS SENTIMENT ANALYSIS

Market Sentiment from Recent Financial News

METRIC	VALUE	ANALYSIS
Overall Score	+2.6 / 10	Slightly Bullish
Articles Analyzed	10	Last 7 days (top 5 shown per category)
Bullish Articles	6 (60%)	Positive sentiment
Bearish Articles	2 (20%)	Negative sentiment
Neutral Articles	2 (20%)	Mixed/Neutral tone

■ TOP BULLISH HEADLINES

1. Elon Musk Sees \$15 Trillion Optimus Upside — Tesla Investors Could Get A Piece For 'Free' (Benzinga, May 15)

Tesla Inc is best known as an electric vehicle company, but that narrative is shifting with renewed focus on FSD, robotaxis and the Optimus humanoid r...

Source: <https://finance.yahoo.com/markets/stocks/articles/elon-musk-sees-15-trillion-193>

2. Ron DeSantis Admits Tesla's Are Undeniably 'Top-Notch Products' But Rejects The Idea That 'EVs Will (Benzinga, May 16)

Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis (R) said Tuesday that he remains opposed to electric vehicle mandates but praised Tesla Inc.'s vehicles as "absolutely top-n...

Source: <https://www.yahoo.com/news/articles/ron-desantis-admits-teslas-undeniably-153112>

3. Trump's More Than 3,700 Trades Astonish Wall Street Insiders (Bloomberg, May 16)

(Bloomberg) -- President Donald Trump's latest financial disclosures show that he or his investment advisers made more than 3,700 trades in the first ...

Source: <https://finance.yahoo.com/markets/stocks/articles/trump-traded-nvidia-boeing-int>

4. Tesla China Financing Push Tests Growth, Margins And Rich Valuation (Simply Wall St., May 16)

Tesla has introduced new, more affordable financing offers for its locally made vehicles in China. The move comes after April retail sales in China de...

Source: <https://finance.yahoo.com/markets/stocks/articles/tesla-china-financing-push-tes>

5. Tesla Raises U.S. Model Y Prices. Its Stock Just Forged A Lower Buy Point. (Investor's Business Daily, May 16)

Tesla raised U.S. Model Y prices for the first time in two years. Tesla stock has forged a new, lower buy point....

Source: <https://www.investors.com/news/tesla-raises-u-s-model-y-prices-lower-buy-point/>

■ TOP BEARISH HEADLINES

1. Elon Musk Chimes In As Delta Picks Amazon Leo Over Starlink: They Wanted To Make It 'Painful, Diffic (Benzinga, May 16)

Elon Musk said Delta Air Lines Inc. passed on integrating SpaceX's Starlink internet because the carrier wanted passengers to use a branded login port...

Source: <https://finance.yahoo.com/sectors/technology/articles/elon-musk-chimes-delta-pic>

2. Tesla Stock Aims for 3 Weekly Gains. Trump's China Trip Could Stop It. (Barrons.com, May 15)

Heading into Friday trading, Tesla stock has risen for two consecutive weeks and three of the past four....

Source: <https://www.barrons.com/articles/tesla-stock-trump-china-musk-c7ed7953?siteid=yh>

■ **SENTIMENT INTERPRETATION**

The news sentiment is **moderately bullish**, showing generally positive coverage with some caution. Market perception appears favorable but not overwhelmingly positive. This neutral-to-positive sentiment suggests steady conditions without extreme optimism.

DEEP DIVE: COMPREHENSIVE RISK ASSESSMENT

Detailed Risk Factors and Mitigation Strategies

Key Risks & Mitigants

Company-Specific Risks:

- Chinese EV competition (BYD)
- CEO distraction risk (multiple ventures)
- EV tax credit policy uncertainty
- Margin compression from competition

Technical Risk Factors:

- Win Rate: 54.5% (12 wins, 10 losses)
- Profit Factor: 4.60x (Avg Win 63.5% vs Avg Loss -13.8%)
- Current Confluence: 3 (Active) - Moderate setup
- Volatility (ATR 14): \$17.18 (4.1% of price) - Stop loss typically 2-3x ATR

Market Risk:

- Beta: 1.79 - Above-average market sensitivity
- Short Interest: 2.3% - Normal short activity

REFERENCE: APPENDIX A - Complete Technical Indicators

Comprehensive Technical Data for Quantitative Analysis

Indicator	Value	Interpretation
EMA 20	\$408.15	Short-term trend
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Relative Strength	58.0	Neutral range
MACD	15.32	Bullish
MACD Signal	10.73	Signal line
MACD Histogram	4.59	Bullish
Volatility (ATR 14)	\$17.18	4.1% of price
Trend Strength (ADX)	26.1	Strong trend (25-50)
+DI	29.5	Positive directional movement
-DI	18.1	Negative directional movement
Stochastic %K	81.0	Overbought
Stochastic %D	85.8	Overbought
Bollinger Upper	\$452.58	Resistance zone
Bollinger Middle	\$401.32	Moving average
Bollinger Lower	\$350.06	Support zone
VWAP	\$426.30	Volume-weighted average

REFERENCE: APPENDIX B - Complete Fundamental Metrics

Comprehensive Fundamental Data for Financial Analysis

Category	Metric	Value	Interpretation
Valuation	Market Cap	\$1585.8B	Total market value
Valuation	Enterprise Value	\$1557.6B	Total company value
Valuation	Forward P/E	168.0x	Price to forward earnings
Valuation	Trailing P/E	383.9x	Price to trailing earnings
Valuation	PEG Ratio	5.00	P/E relative to growth
Valuation	Price/Sales	16.20x	Market cap to revenue
Valuation	Price/Book	19.28x	Price to book value
Valuation	EV/Revenue	15.91x	Enterprise value to revenue
Valuation	EV/EBITDA	140.4x	Enterprise value to EBITDA
Performance	Revenue (TTM)	\$97.9B	Trailing 12-month revenue
Performance	Revenue Growth	+15.8%	Year-over-year growth
Performance	Earnings Growth	+8.3%	Earnings growth rate
Performance	EPS Growth (Next Yr)	+128.5%	Forward EPS growth estimate
Performance	Gross Profit	\$18.7B	Revenue minus COGS
Performance	Operating Income	\$16.5B	EBIT
Performance	Net Income	\$3.9B	Bottom line profit
Performance	Free Cash Flow	\$5.3B	Cash after capex
Performance	Operating Cash Flow	\$16.5B	Cash from operations
Profitability	Gross Margin	19.1%	Gross profit margin
Profitability	Operating Margin	4.2%	Operating efficiency
Profitability	Profit Margin	3.9%	Net margin
Profitability	ROE	4.9%	Return on equity
Profitability	ROA	2.2%	Return on assets
Profitability	ROIC	N/A	Return on invested capital
Balance Sheet	Total Assets	\$0.0B	Total assets
Balance Sheet	Total Liabilities	\$0.0B	Total liabilities
Balance Sheet	Total Debt	\$15.9B	Total debt outstanding
Balance Sheet	Cash & Equivalents	\$44.7B	Liquid assets
Balance Sheet	Book Value/Share	\$21.90	Net worth per share
Balance Sheet	Current Ratio	2.04	Current assets/liabilities
Balance Sheet	Quick Ratio	1.43	Liquid assets/liabilities
Balance Sheet	Debt/Equity	0.19	Leverage ratio
Market	Beta	1.79	Market correlation
Market	52-Week High	\$498.83	Annual high
Market	52-Week Low	\$273.21	Annual low

Market	Avg Volume	62.5M	Average daily volume
Market	Shares Outstanding	3.8B	Total shares
Market	Float	2.8B	Tradeable shares
Market	Short Interest	2.3%	Shares sold short
Market	Institutional Own.	44.8%	Institution held
Analysts	Coverage Count	41	Number of analysts
Analysts	Average Rating	2.4	1=Strong Buy, 5=Sell
Analysts	Buy/Hold/Sell	20/17/8	Rating distribution
Analysts	Target Price	\$412.25	Average price target
Analysts	Target High	\$600.00	Highest target
Analysts	Target Low	\$123.00	Lowest target
Other	Next Earnings	Jul 22, 2026	Earnings report date
Other	Dividend Yield	0.00%	Annual dividend rate
Other	Ex-Dividend Date	N/A	Next ex-div date

REFERENCE: APPENDIX C - Complete Trade History

Detailed Backtesting Results and Trade Log

Entry	Exit	Type	Entry \$	Exit \$	Past P&L %	Past P&L \$
2019-04-26	2019-05-23	CONFLUENCE	\$15.68	\$13.03	-16.9%	\$-394
2019-07-15	2019-08-07	GOLDEN_CROSS	\$16.90	\$15.56	-7.9%	\$-238
2019-09-13	2019-11-20	GOLDEN_CROSS	\$16.35	\$23.48	+43.6%	\$+1270
2019-12-16	2020-03-18	CONFLUENCE	\$25.43	\$24.08	-5.3%	\$-203
2020-04-16	2020-04-30	GOLDEN_CROSS	\$49.68	\$52.13	+4.9%	\$+68
2020-06-10	2021-01-25	CONFLUENCE	\$68.34	\$293.60	+329.6%	\$+8335
2021-02-23	2021-03-05	CONFLUENCE	\$232.95	\$199.32	-14.4%	\$-471
2021-03-30	2022-01-25	CONFLUENCE	\$211.87	\$306.13	+44.5%	\$+1131
2022-02-24	2022-05-02	CONFLUENCE	\$266.92	\$300.98	+12.8%	\$+341
2022-07-28	2022-10-03	GOLDEN_CROSS	\$280.90	\$242.40	-13.7%	\$-578
2022-11-09	2022-12-22	CONFLUENCE	\$177.59	\$125.35	-29.4%	\$-731
2023-01-06	2023-01-27	CONFLUENCE	\$113.06	\$177.90	+57.4%	\$+1167
2023-02-07	2023-04-26	GOLDEN_CROSS	\$196.81	\$153.75	-21.9%	\$-732
2023-05-26	2023-07-03	GOLDEN_CROSS	\$193.17	\$279.82	+44.9%	\$+2166
2023-08-17	2023-08-18	CONFLUENCE	\$219.22	\$215.49	-1.7%	\$-82
2023-08-31	2023-10-25	GOLDEN_CROSS	\$258.08	\$212.42	-17.7%	\$-913
2023-10-31	2024-01-12	CONFLUENCE	\$200.84	\$218.89	+9.0%	\$+325
2024-02-05	2024-02-27	CONFLUENCE	\$181.06	\$199.73	+10.3%	\$+429
2024-03-14	2024-06-13	CONFLUENCE	\$162.50	\$182.47	+12.3%	\$+479
2024-06-17	2025-02-13	GOLDEN_CROSS	\$187.44	\$355.94	+89.9%	\$+4381
2025-03-11	2025-11-03	CONFLUENCE	\$230.58	\$468.37	+103.1%	\$+2853
2025-12-15	2026-01-21	CONFLUENCE	\$475.31	\$431.44	-9.2%	\$-702
2026-05-11	OPEN	GOLDEN_CROSS	\$445.00	OPEN	-5.1%	\$-387

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