

Special Report



H1 2026: SIX MONTHS. HUNDREDS OF OPPORTUNITIES. A LOOK BACK AT THE OPPORTUNITIES, INSIGHTS AND IDEAS THAT SHAPED THE FIRST HALF OF 2026.

The Numbers Behind H1

The first half of 2026 reminded investors just how quickly markets can change.

AI drove extraordinary gains across the semiconductor sector, geopolitical tensions sent oil prices soaring before retreating, while inflation concerns weighed on UK housebuilders and cryptocurrencies endured another period of sharp volatility.

Notable H1 movers included:

- Micron: +296%
- SanDisk +829%
- Brent crude: +91%, then -37%
- BP: +41%, then -23%
- Bitcoin: -32%
- Vistry: -60%

For investors, the challenge wasn't finding information - it was identifying what mattered. Throughout H1, F&O helped subscribers do exactly that through daily market commentary, institutional research, technical trade ideas and thematic investment reports.

This report highlights just a handful of the opportunities featured during the H1 2026.

Top Picks 2026 Revisited

Every January, F&O publishes Top Picks - our highest-conviction investment ideas for the year ahead. Six months into the year, the average share price change across the 12 stocks featured in 'Top Picks 2026' is currently +20.1%.

TOP PERFORMERS

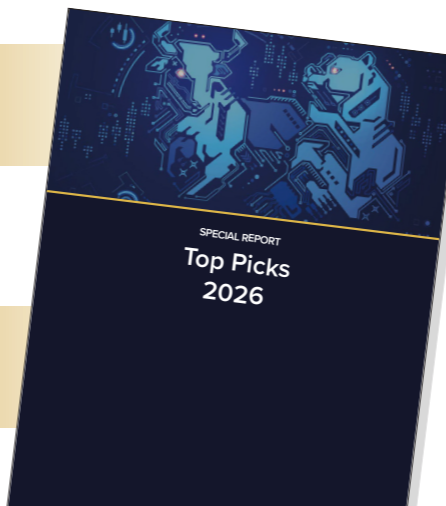
1. AMD +151.3%
2. ASML +68.9%
3. CoreWeave +45.1%

As with every investment theme, not all ideas perform as anticipated.

STILL DEVELOPING

10. Taylor Wimpey -22.4%
11. Oklo -23.4%
12. Microsoft -24.1%

Click on the report to read Top Picks 2026



Headlines That Moved Markets

News moves prices. Published every trading day, City View highlights the market-moving stories shaping global markets. Rather than simply reporting what has already happened, the publication explains the key drivers behind market moves, helping subscribers understand why markets are reacting and where opportunities may emerge.

| Date | City View Headline | Subsequent Market Move |
|--------|---|---|
| 12 Jan | Gold and Silver hit all-time-highs on geopolitical tensions | Gold rallied from \$4,600 to \$5,600, +21.7% in 16 days |
| 4 Feb | Commodities in focus amid rise in US-Iran tensions | Brent crude climbed from \$68 to \$116, +70.6% in 32 days |
| 9 Apr | "Bottom is in", Tom Lee issues 7,300 target for S&P 500 | The S&P 500 rallied to reach the 7,300 target, +7.8% in 27 days |

Click on the City View newsletters to revisit the publications and the need-to-know headlines.



Let's Get Technical

The Chartist identifies technical trading opportunities with predefined entry, stop-loss and take-profit levels. In H1 of 2026, six The Chartist stocks resulted in their take-profit or stop-loss levels being reached. The outcomes are detailed below.

TAKE PROFIT ACHIEVED STOP LOSS TRIGGERED

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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. AST SpaceMobile +69.6% | 1. AST SpaceMobile -12.2% |
| 2. Melrose +27.1% | 2. WH Smith -10.3% |
| 3. BP +17.1% | 3. Whitbread -6.8% |

Average take-profit level +37.9% Average stop loss level -9.8%

Click on the The Chartist notes below to revisit the original publications.



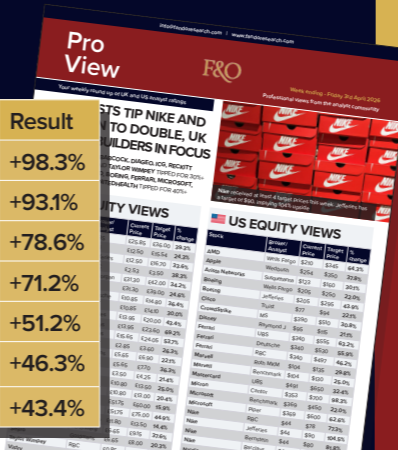
What were the Analysts Saying?

Every Friday, Pro View distills dozens of analyst upgrades, downgrades and price targets from leading investment banks into a single, five-minute read.

The table below details the top analyst price targets, featured in Pro View this year, that were subsequently achieved.

Click on the Pro View note to see Cantor's Micron call.

| Date | Broker | Stock | Price | Target | Result |
|--------|-------------|----------|--------|---------|--------|
| 3 Apr | Cantor | Micron | \$353 | \$700 | +98.3% |
| 1 May | Davidson | Micron | \$518 | \$1,000 | +93.1% |
| 9 Jan | Oppenheimer | Marvell | \$84 | \$150 | +78.6% |
| 6 Feb | Bernstein | SanDisk | \$584 | \$1,000 | +71.2% |
| 10 Apr | Goldmans | Intertek | £3770 | £57.00 | +51.2% |
| 13 Feb | Citi | Compass | £20.50 | £30.00 | +46.3% |
| 29 May | UBS | easyJet | £3.87 | £5.55 | +43.4% |



H2 Starts Now

The first half of 2026 has shown just how quickly markets can move. Whether it was the AI boom, geopolitical tensions, oil's dramatic rise and fall, or Wall Street's most successful analyst calls, timely information proved invaluable.

From daily market commentary and institutional research, to technical trade ideas and in-depth thematic reports, F&O will continue to help retail investors identify the opportunities that matter most.

Don't just look back on the opportunities of H1. Be ready for those still to come.

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