



Month End Summary of Commodity Futures and Options
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Welcome to our June 2022 Recap:

We are pleased to welcome you to our June 2022 month end report.

Since the inception of this email report we have been waiting for some stability and improvement in market tone. Instead, we see a return to the rolling and roiling volatility of the 80's and 90's. It is an exciting time with outsized gains and losses possible.

The US interest rate and government debt market showed price weakness at the front of the curve. The feeling must be that the recession fears will not overwhelm inflationary expectations. Vol was also quite steeply bid up in these terms.

Foreign exchange markets were mostly muted with a couple of exceptions. The Bitcoin future continued its massive slide racking up a 37% decline on the month. Not coincidentally, the implied volatility of BTC was up 28%. The Brazilian Real fell 6.4% against the dollar. Implied vol receded leading to the interpretation that this was widely expected. Aussie Dollar, Swiss Franc, and British Pound vol increased dramatically on a percent basis.

Indexes were all down with the exception of the VIX. In general, the major US index futures were down 6-8%. The implied volatility was not moved much. The decline in the markets seems as controlled as the levitation was. The VIX was up 11%, which translates to 3 index points. The vol of vol (options on VIX) was lackluster, up only 2%.

The metals markets seem to be working on different economic assumptions. King Copper or Dr Copper was down 14%, and implied volatility was up 25%. This could be a China related slowdown which abates as they open up. Alternatively, this could be the signal that worldwide economies are in shambles, and production is likely to fall. Platinum was also down significantly. Gold volatility also spiked. We are a bit surprised at the relative stability of the precious metals since it would seem that uncertainty is at a maximum. If there is continued inflation, prices will rise dramatically. If there is a recession, prices will fall dramatically.

Agricultural commodities continued their mostly muted trend from last month. Lumber showed a slight bounce from the absolute drubbing it has received. Wheat, Bean Oil, Oats, and Corn all declined substantially. Not surprisingly, vol was very strongly bid for those commodities. Hog and cattle vol came off significantly perhaps reflecting the reduction in feed costs.

With the exception of Dutch/European continental natural gas prices, the energy complex was mostly lower. Brent and WTI were off 6% and 8%, respectively. There is broad speculation that the rally has been exhausted. The option skews show more activity at the money. You don't observe high strike calls being traded. People are looking to the nearer strikes. The press around refined blended gasoline and diesel has been very bad, but prices were down for both. Vol was up for RBOB. European natural gas soared 68%. Vol also increased 40%. The European triumphalism around jettisoning Russian supplies ran into a roadblock as the Russians slowed down their supply. Anything which crimps injections before winter will be problematic for Europe.

As always we welcome you to visit our website and hope to help you manage risk!

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At The Money Roundup of Products

Forex

exch/prod	desc	futures chng [%]	vol chng [%]
CME/ADU	AUDUSD 2pmfix	-0.029 [-4.0%]	+0.016 [+13.8%]
CME/BTC	Bitcoin	-11275.000 [-37.5%]	+0.183 [+28.8%]
CME/BR	BRLUSD Monthly	-0.013 [-6.4%]	-0.005 [-2.9%]
CME/CAU	CADUSD 2pmfix	-0.014 [-1.8%]	+0.003 [+3.8%]
CME/CHU	CHFUSD 2pmfix	+0.008 [+0.8%]	+0.011 [+13.8%]
CME/EUU	EURUSD 2pmfix	-0.018 [-1.7%]	+0.001 [+1.8%]
CME/GBU	GBPUSD 2pmfix	-0.030 [-2.4%]	+0.010 [+10.5%]
CME/JPU	JPYUSD 2pmfix	-0.000 [-4.0%]	+0.006 [+5.9%]
CME/MP	Mexican Peso	-0.001 [-1.5%]	-0.001 [-1.3%]
CME/NE	New Zealand	-0.024 [-3.6%]	+0.000 [+0.4%]

Energy

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NYMEX/BZO	Brent Crude Oil Margin	-7.260 [-6.2%]	-0.003 [-0.6%]
NYMEX/BE	Brent Euro Style	-7.260 [-6.2%]	-0.016 [-3.3%]
NYMEX/CVR	Chicago Ethanol(platts) Average Price	-0.015 [-0.5%]	-0.168 [-91.9%]
NYMEX/LO	Crude Oil	-9.500 [-8.2%]	-0.007 [-1.4%]
NYMEX/TFO	Dutch TTF Natural Gas	+58.963 [+68.9%]	+0.410 [+39.7%]
NYMEX/LN	European Natural Gas	-3.272 [-37.6%]	-0.170 [-20.4%]
NYMEX/E7	Henry Hub Financial Last Day	-3.272 [-37.6%]	-0.174 [-20.8%]
NYMEX/ON	Natural Gas	-3.272 [-37.6%]	-0.169 [-20.3%]
NYMEX/OH	NY Harbor ULSD	-0.313 [-7.5%]	-0.005 [-1.0%]
NYMEX/OB	RBOB	-0.535 [-13.1%]	+0.062 [+11.9%]

Metals

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COMEX/HX	Copper	-0.619 [-14.3%]	+0.062 [+25.5%]
COMEX/OG	Gold	-41.400 [-2.2%]	+0.015 [+10.6%]
NYMEX/PAO	Palladium	-85.800 [-4.3%]	+0.013 [+2.6%]
NYMEX/PO	Platinum	-101.100 [-10.1%]	-0.008 [-2.5%]
COMEX/SO	Silver	-1.563 [-7.1%]	+0.016 [+6.1%]

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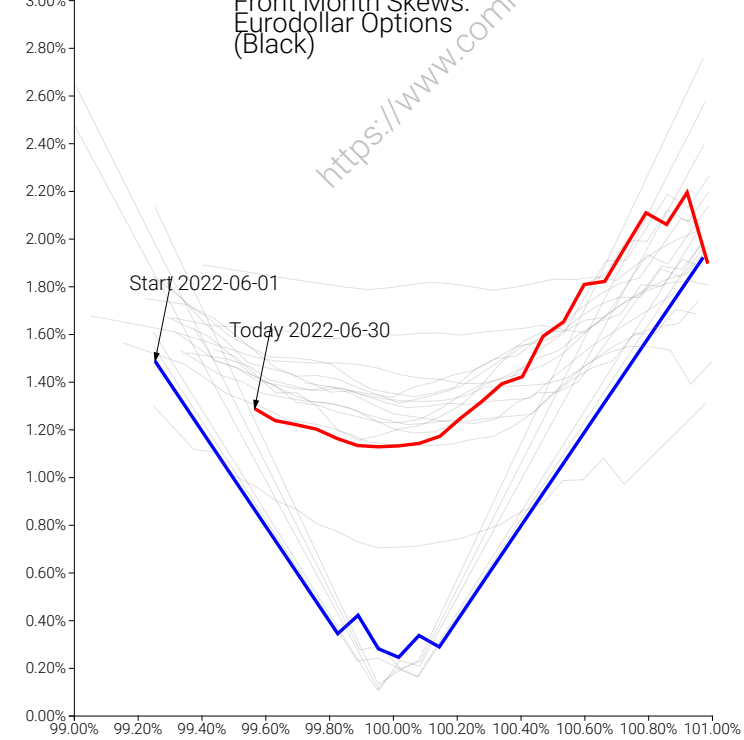
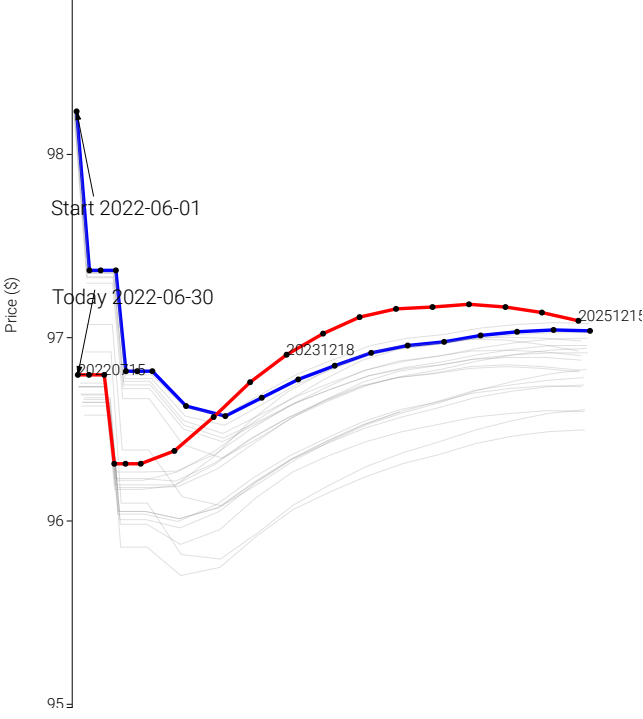
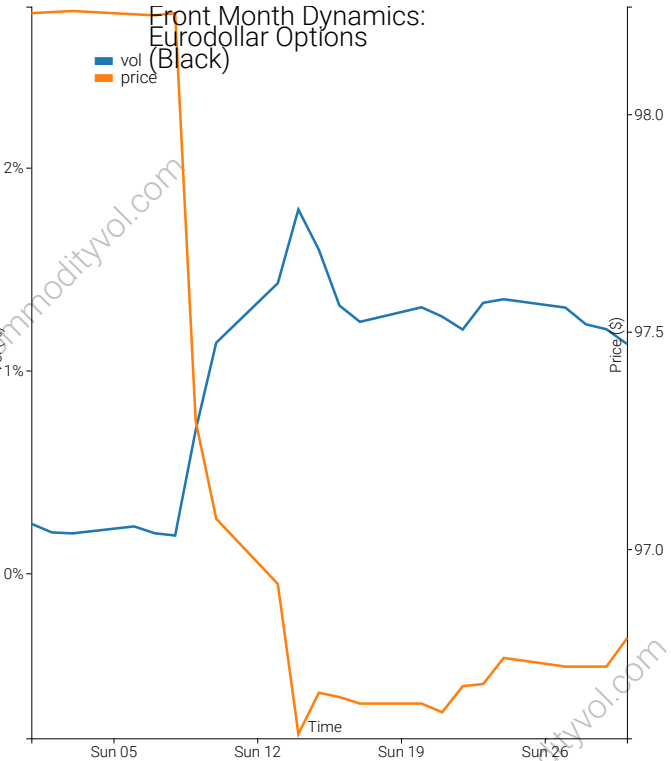
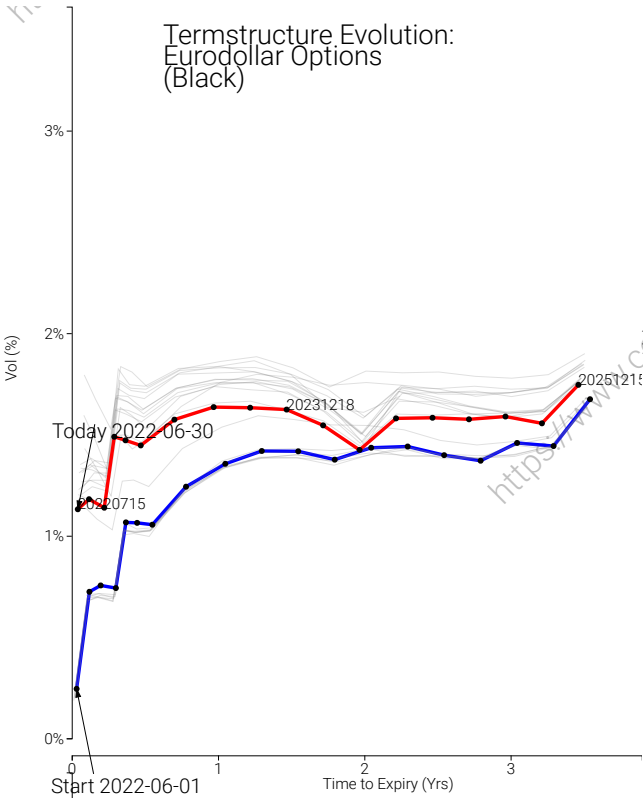
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CBT/YM	E-Mini Dow	-2017.000 [-6.1%]	+0.026 [+13.0%]
CME/NQ	E-Mini Nasdaq	-1021.500 [-8.1%]	+0.006 [+1.8%]
CME/RTO	E-Mini Russell 2000	-145.000 [-7.8%]	+0.005 [+1.8%]
CME/RTM	E-Mini Russell EOM	-145.600 [-7.9%]	+0.021 [+7.3%]
CME/ES	E-Mini S&P 500	-309.500 [-7.6%]	+0.012 [+4.9%]
CBOE/VIX	VIX Volatility Index	+3.020 [+11.8%]	+0.018 [+2.0%]

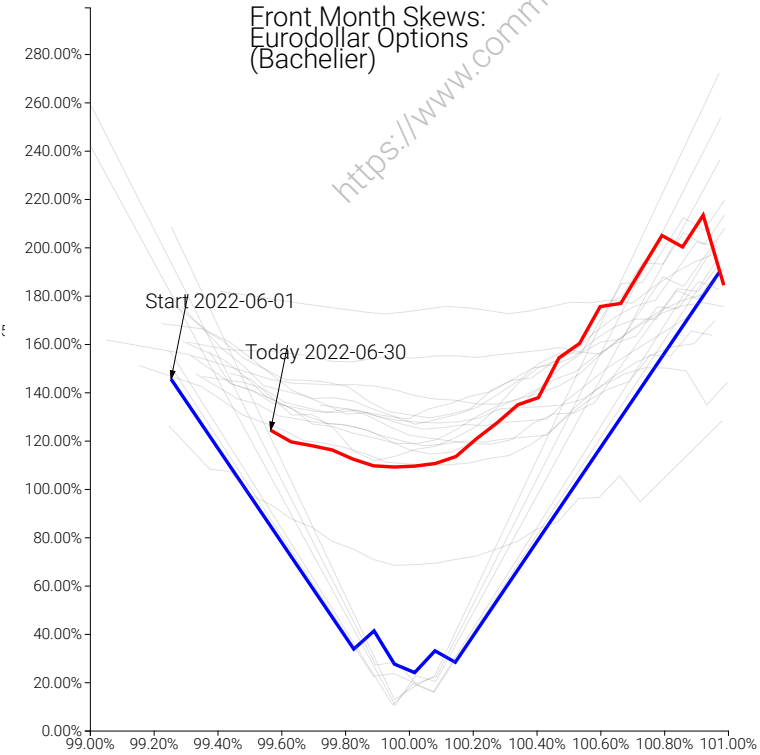
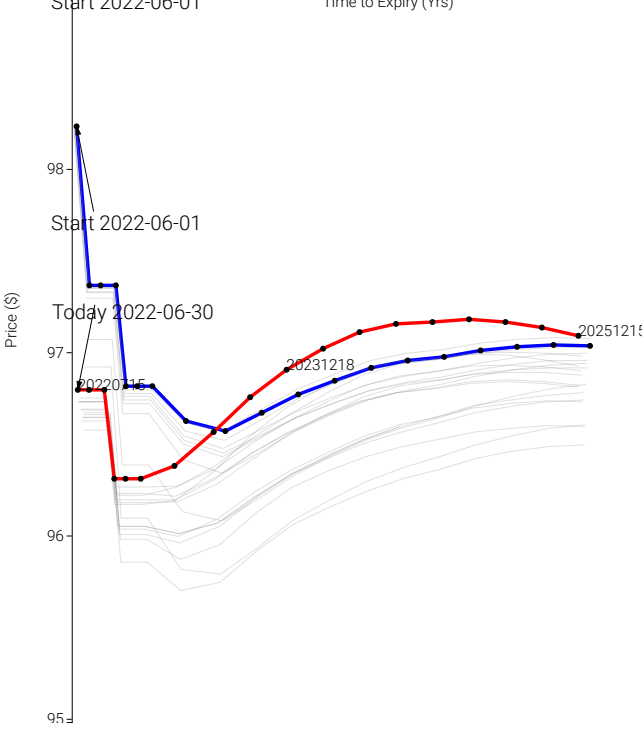
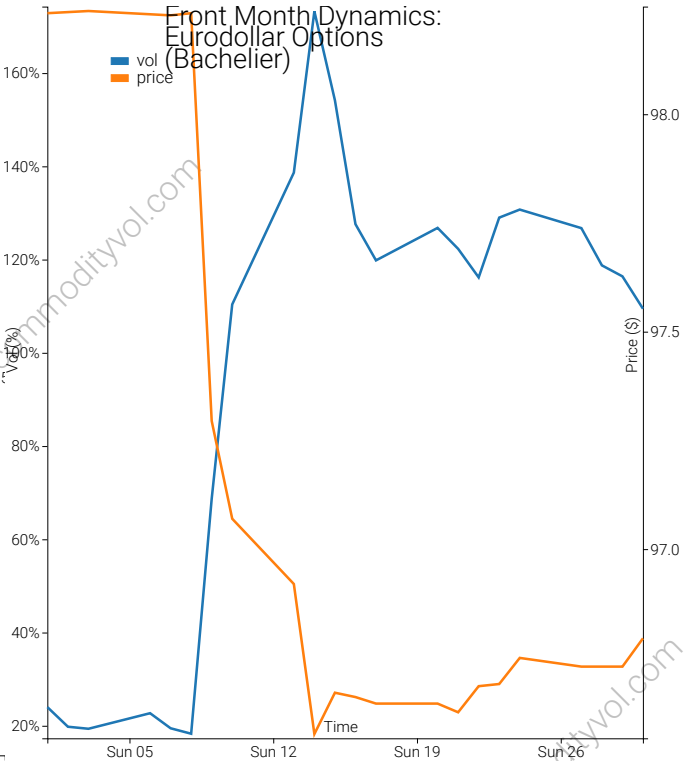
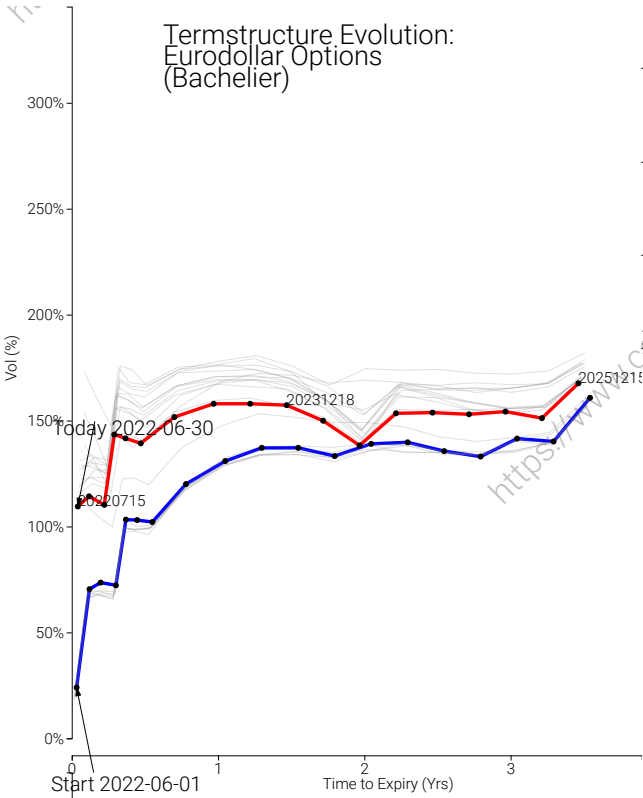
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CME/DK	Class IV Milk	+0.100 [+0.4%]	+0.023 [+30.0%]
CBT/C	Corn	-1.025 [-14.0%]	+0.066 [+20.7%]
CME/62	Feeder Cattle	+3.875 [+2.3%]	-0.000 [-0.1%]
CBT/KW	KC HRW Wheat	-1.765 [-15.6%]	+0.069 [+19.2%]
CME/LN	Lean Hog	-0.675 [-0.6%]	-0.025 [-16.0%]
CME/48	Live Cattle	-0.325 [-0.2%]	-0.021 [-12.9%]
CME/LB	Lumber110	+28.700 [+4.7%]	-0.004 [-0.7%]
CME/NF	Nonfat Dry Milk	-2.500 [-1.4%]	-0.010 [-16.3%]
CBT/O	Oats	-1.310 [-20.3%]	+0.056 [+11.8%]
CBT/14	Rough Rice	-0.390 [-2.3%]	-0.054 [-25.2%]
CBT/S	Soybean	-1.297 [-7.7%]	+0.054 [+25.8%]
CBT/06	Soybean Meal	+22.800 [+5.5%]	+0.044 [+17.4%]
CBT/07	Soybean Oil	-11.100 [-14.2%]	+0.008 [+2.3%]
CBT/W	Wheat	-1.572 [-15.1%]	+0.056 [+14.6%]

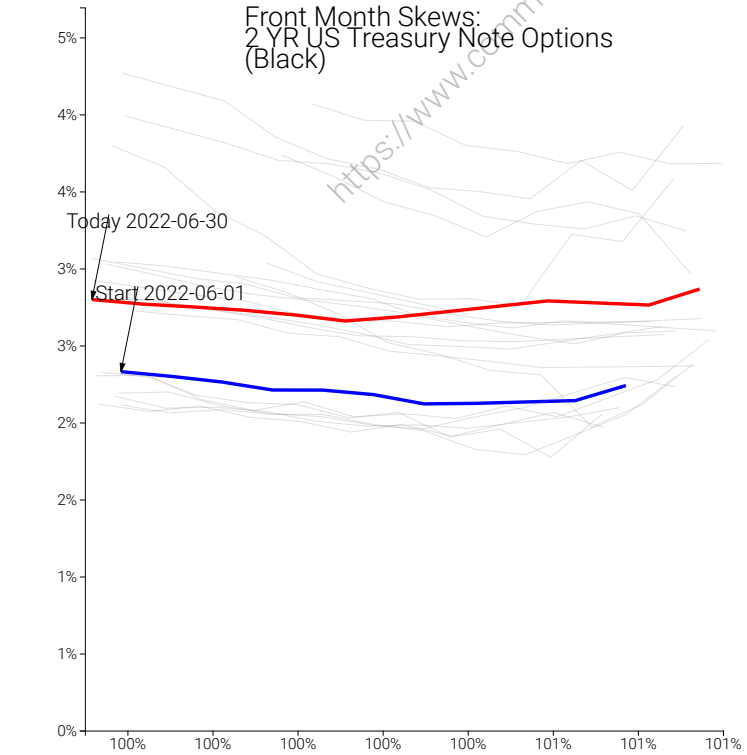
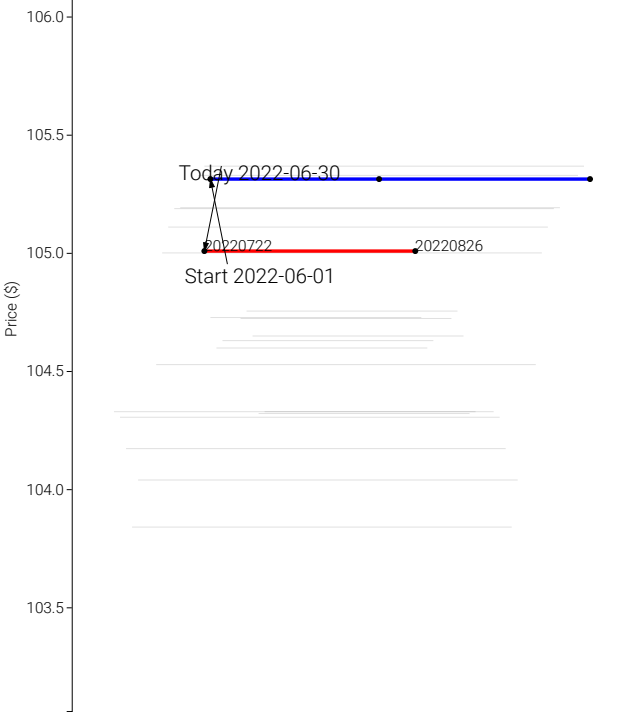
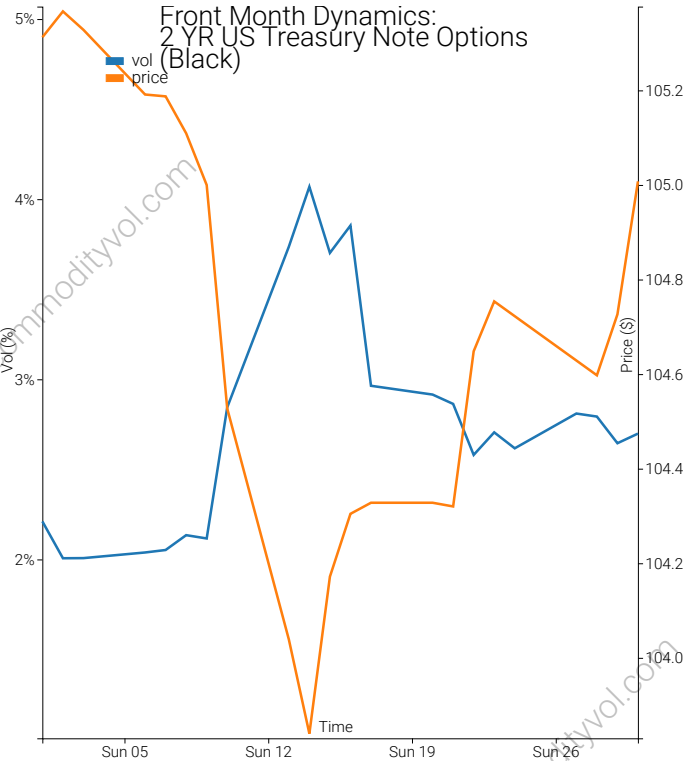
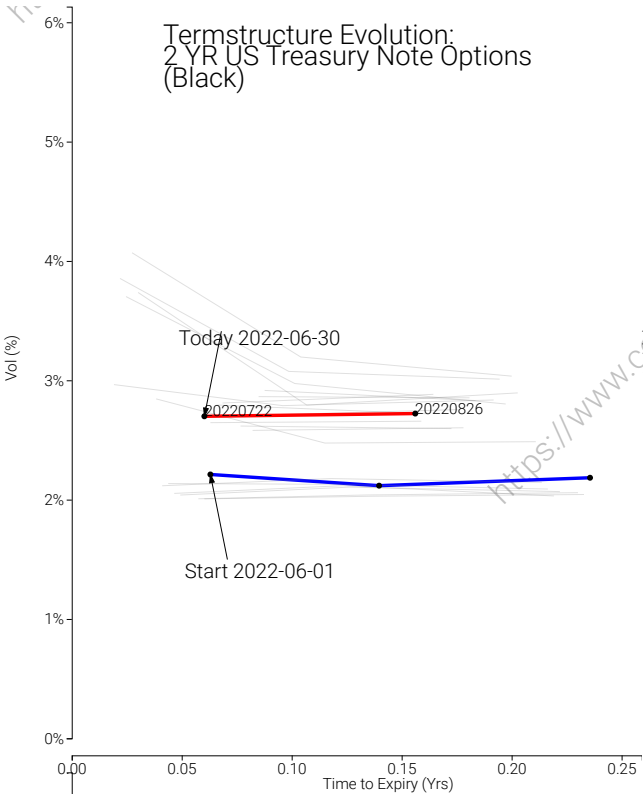
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CBT/26	2 YR US Treasury Note	-0.305 [-0.3%]	+0.005 [+22.0%]
CBT/25	5 YR US Treasury Note	-0.063 [-0.1%]	+0.009 [+18.3%]
CBT/21	10 YR US Treasury Note	-0.109 [-0.1%]	+0.009 [+12.9%]
CBT/17	30 YR US Treasury Bond	+0.031 [+0.0%]	+0.010 [+7.7%]
CME/ED	Eurodollar	-1.438 [-1.5%]	+0.009 [+362.5%]
CBT/UBE	Long Term US Treasury Bond	-0.906 [-0.6%]	+0.004 [+2.2%]

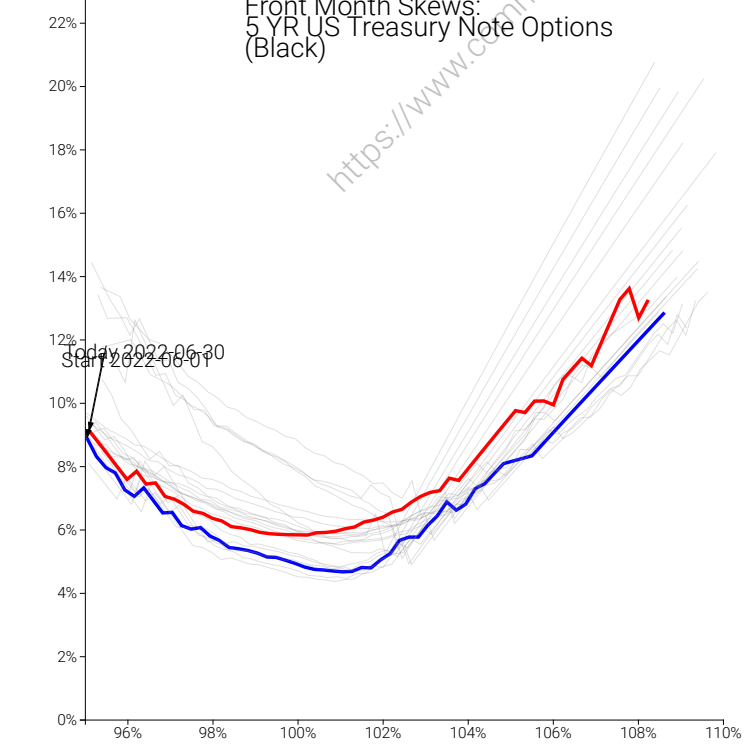
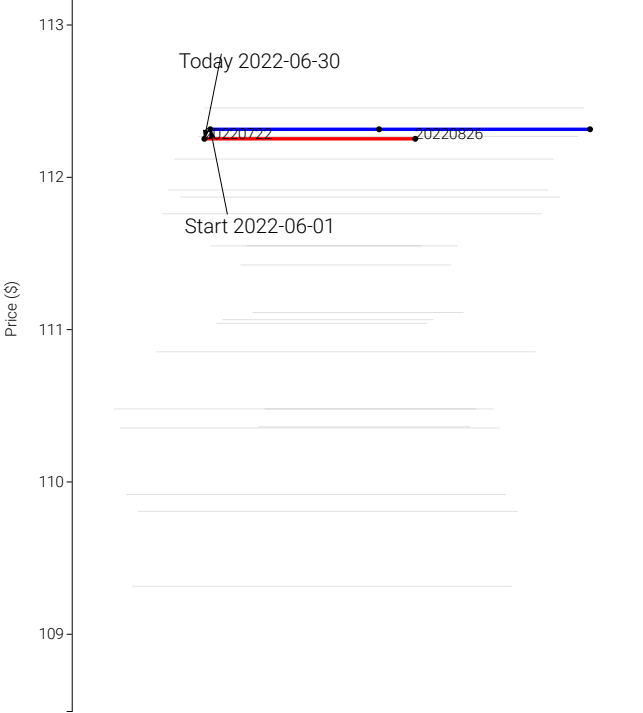
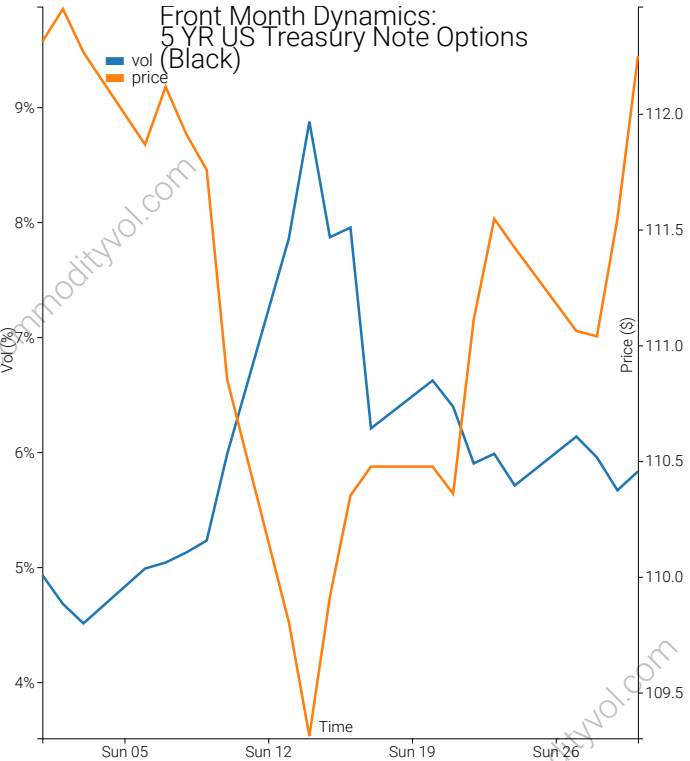
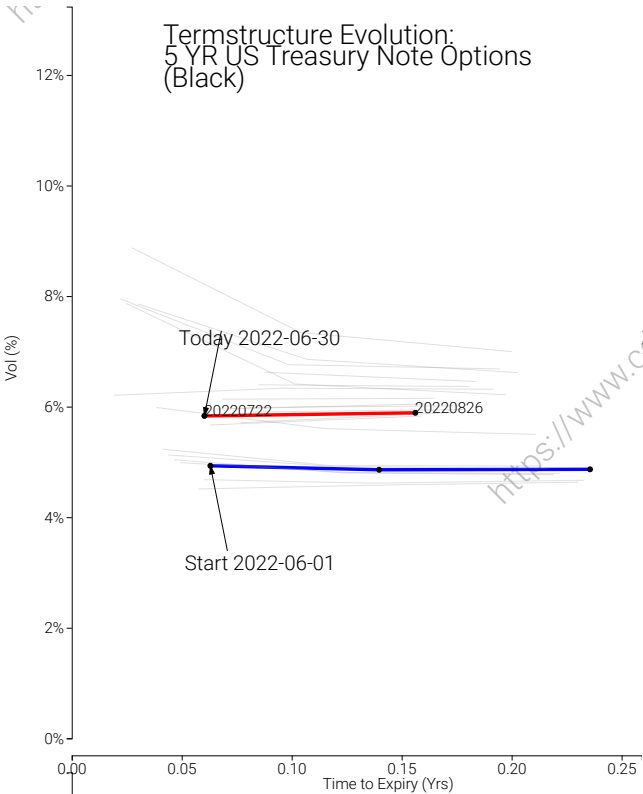
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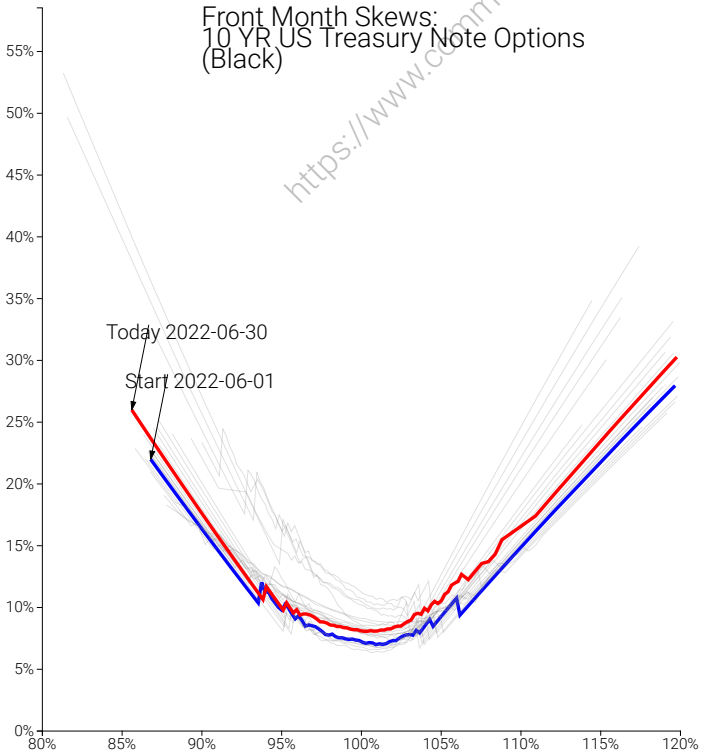
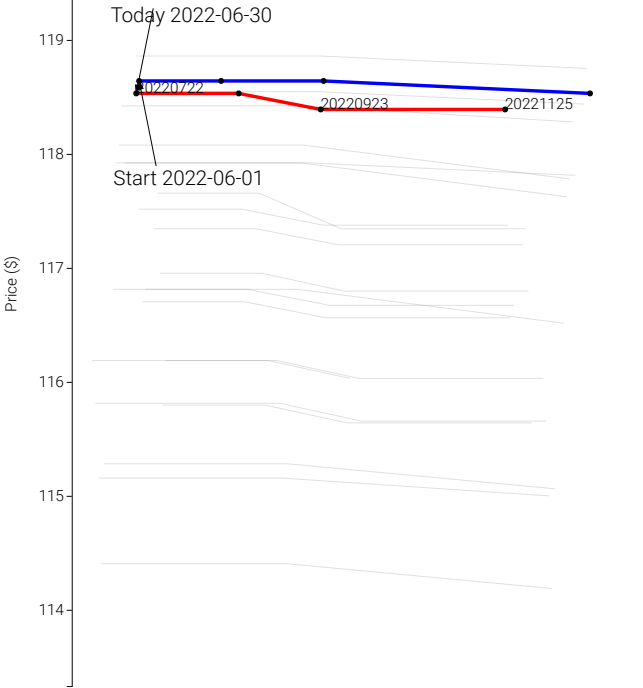
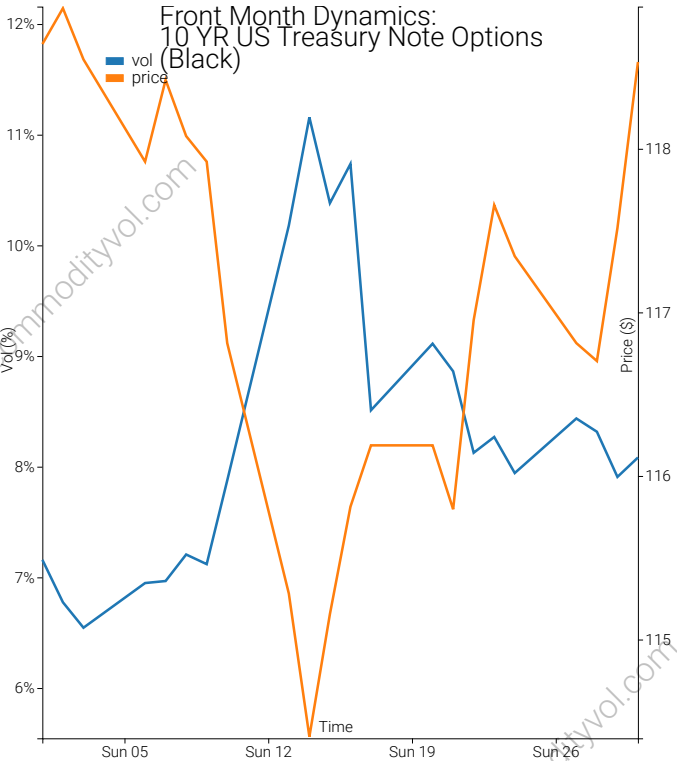
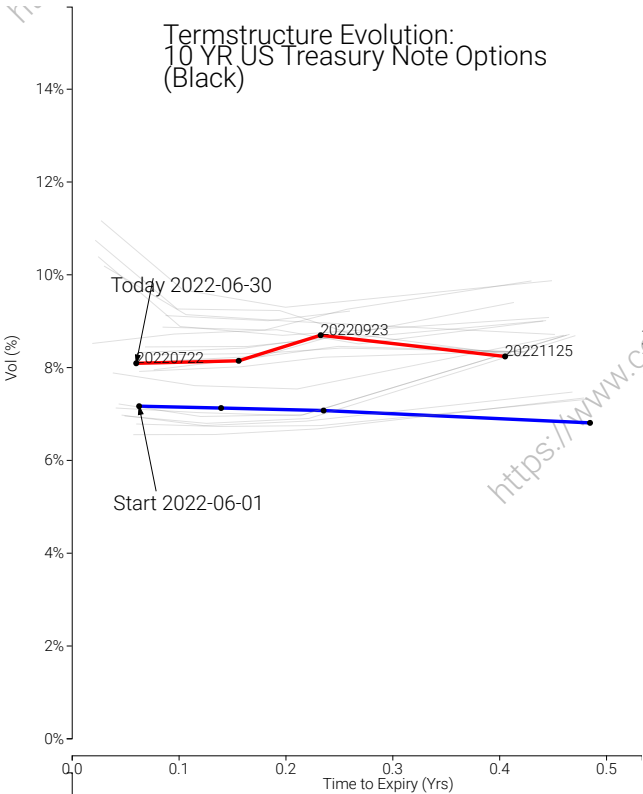
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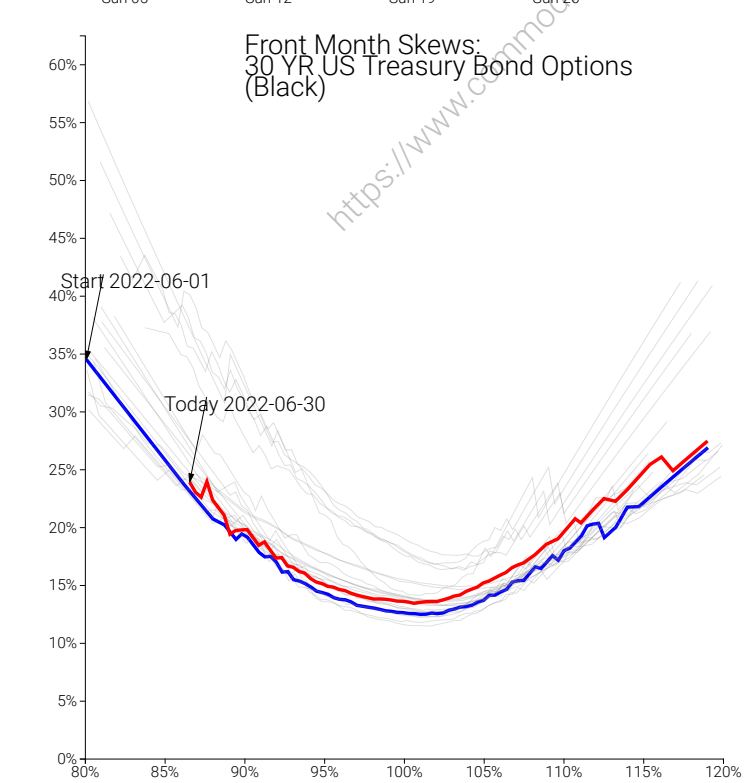
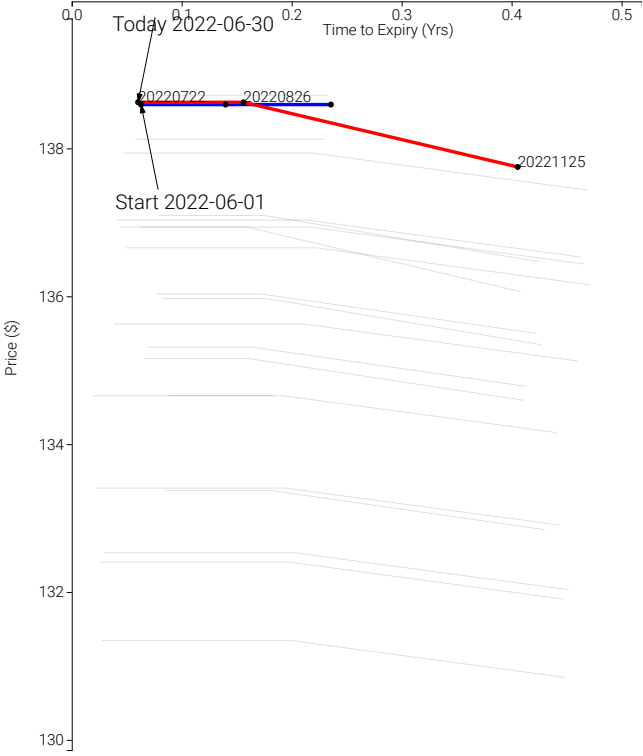
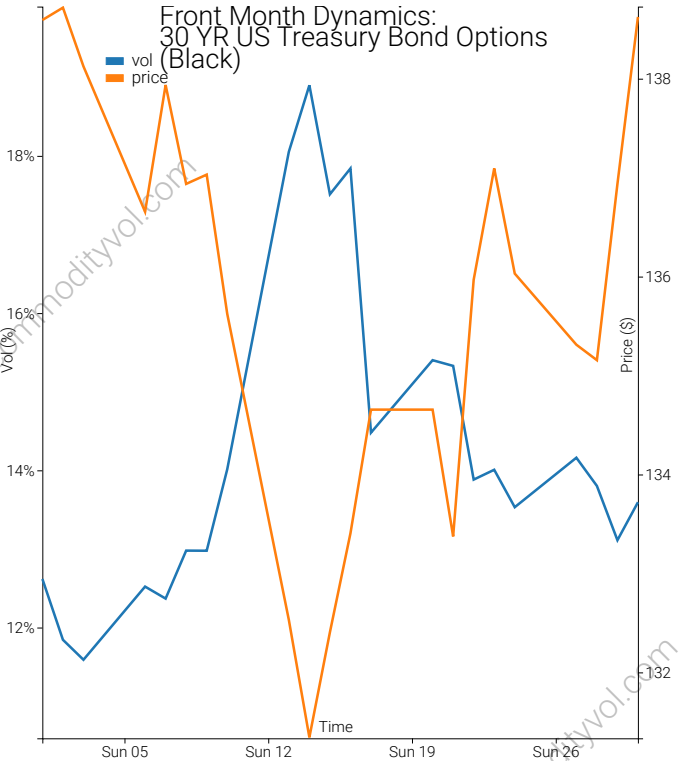
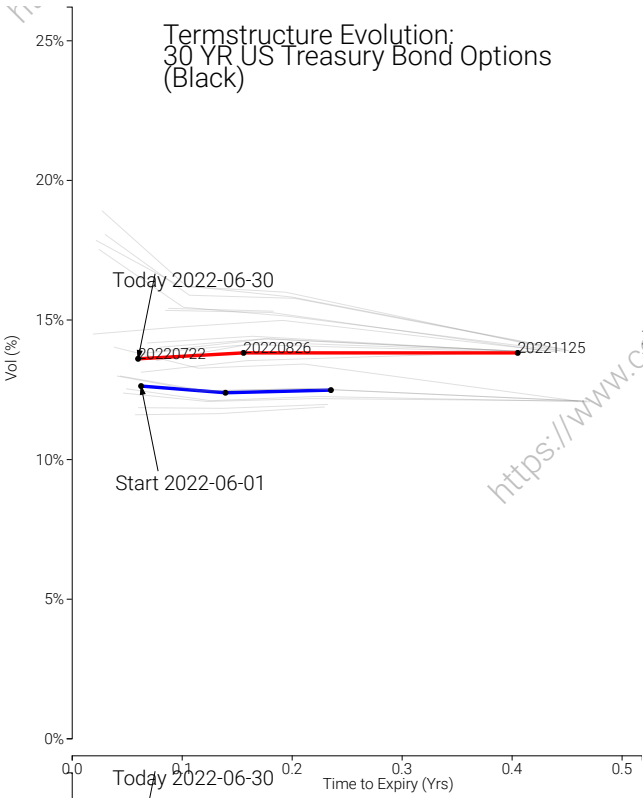


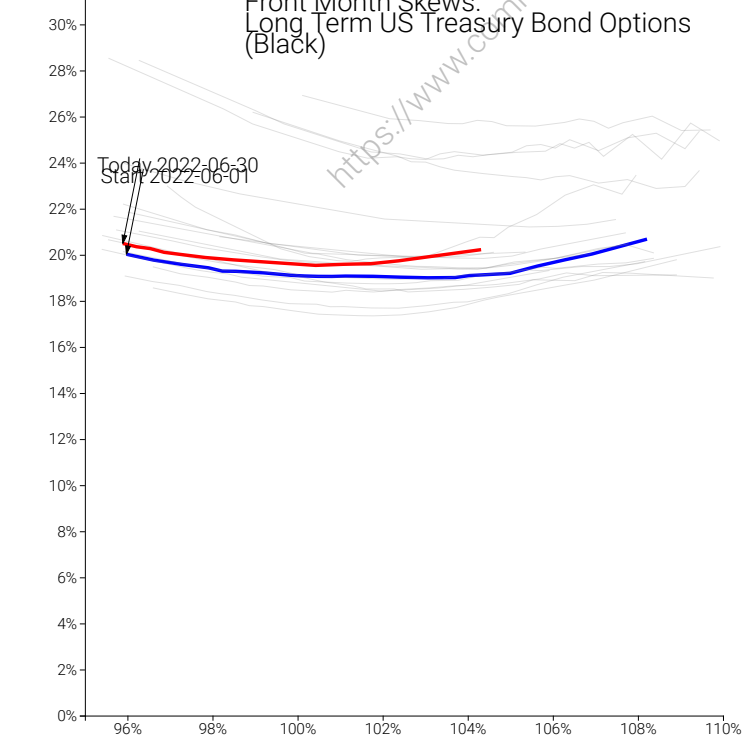
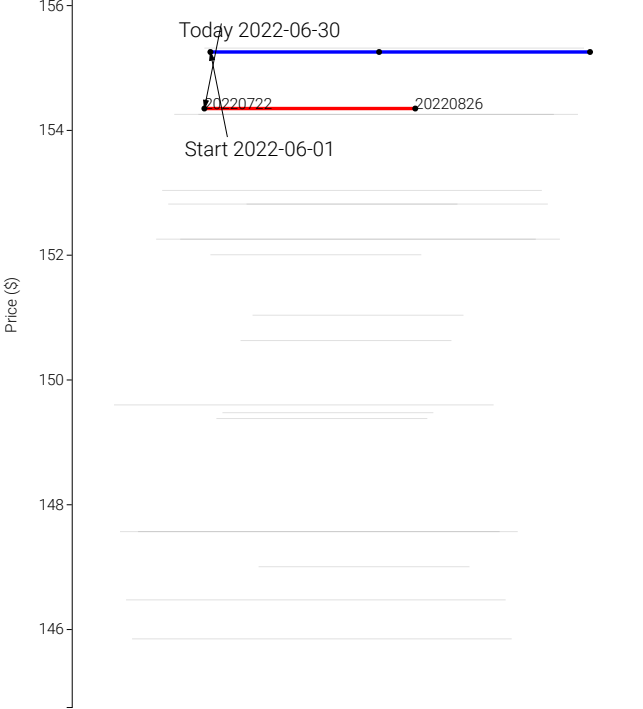
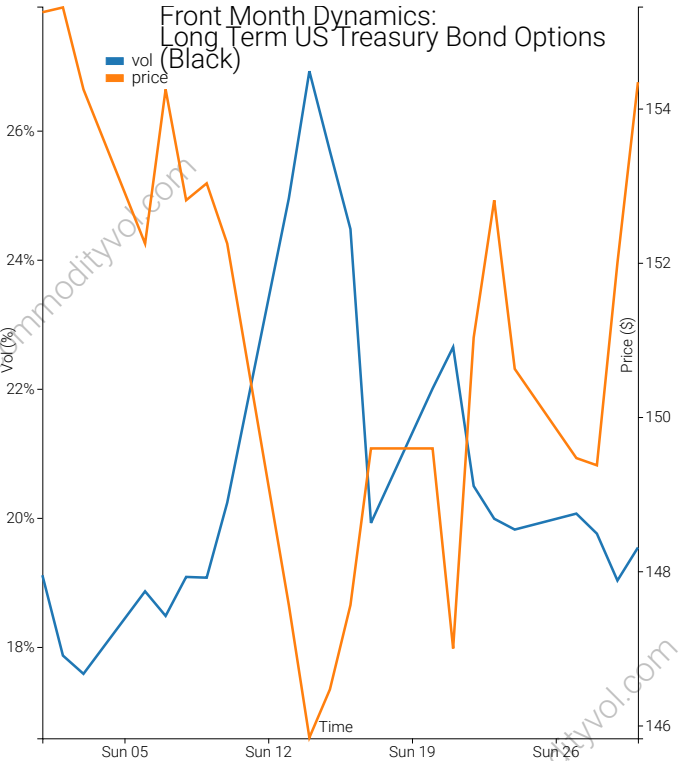
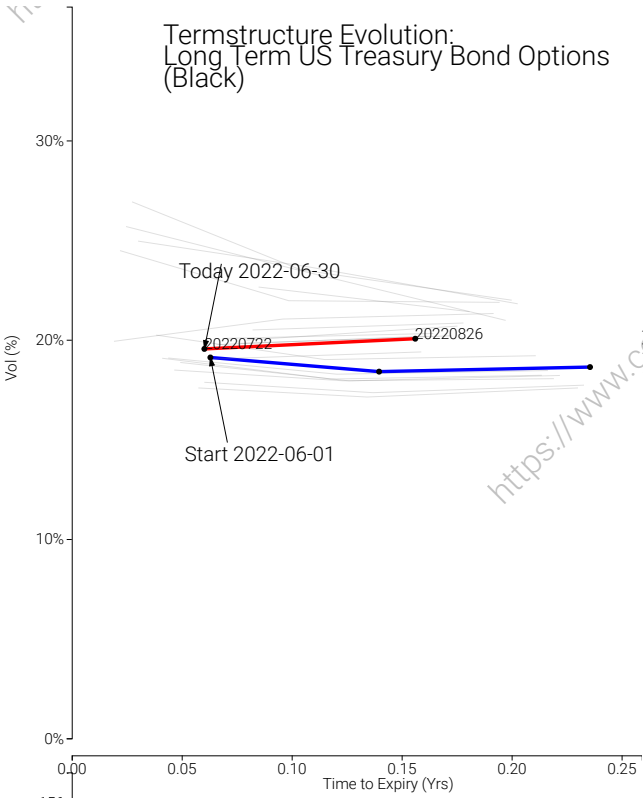




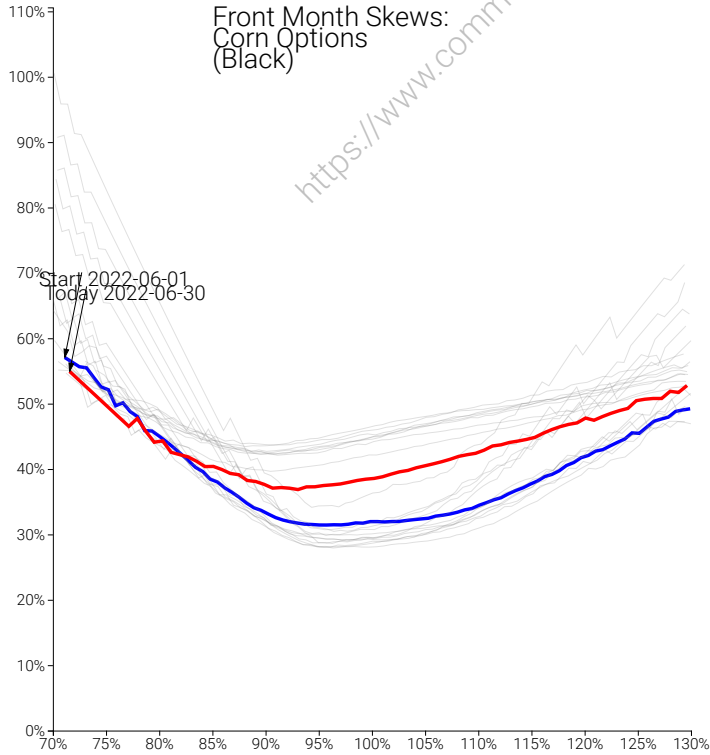
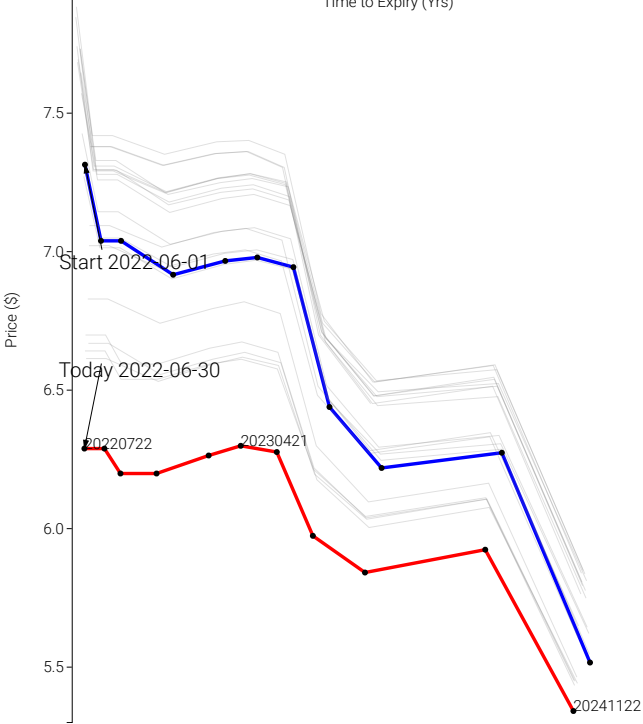
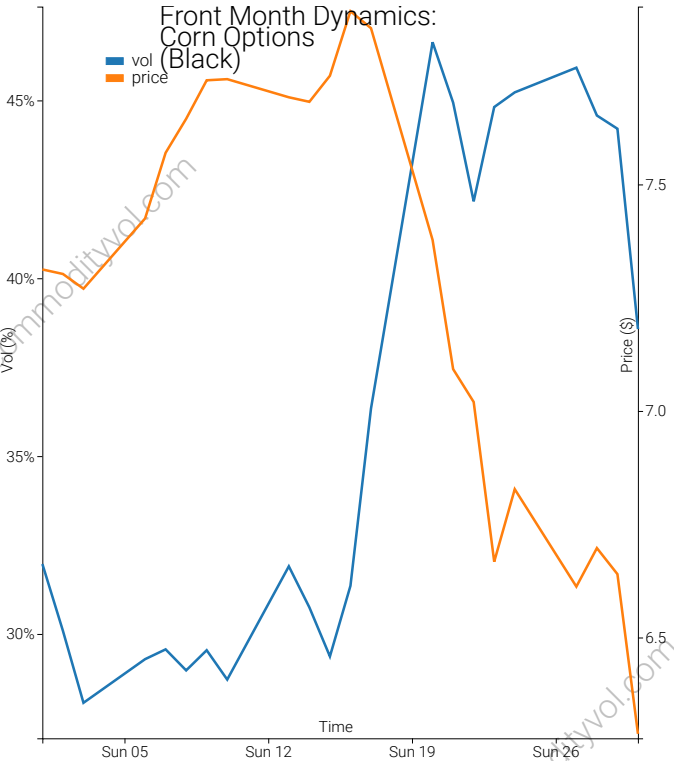
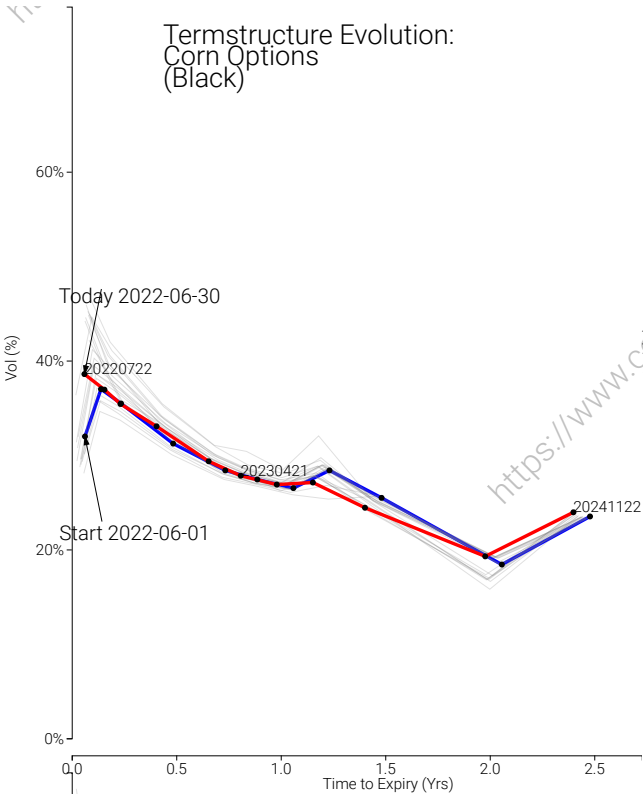


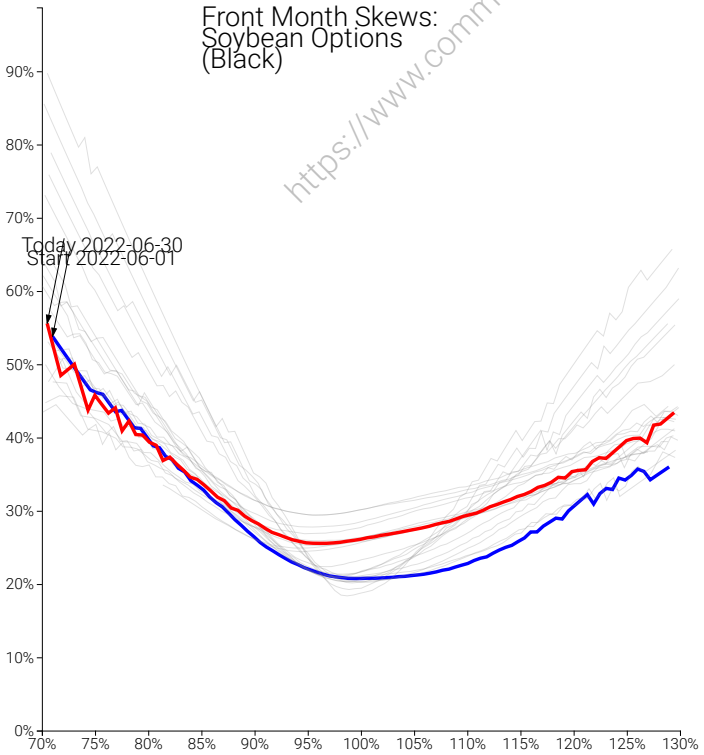
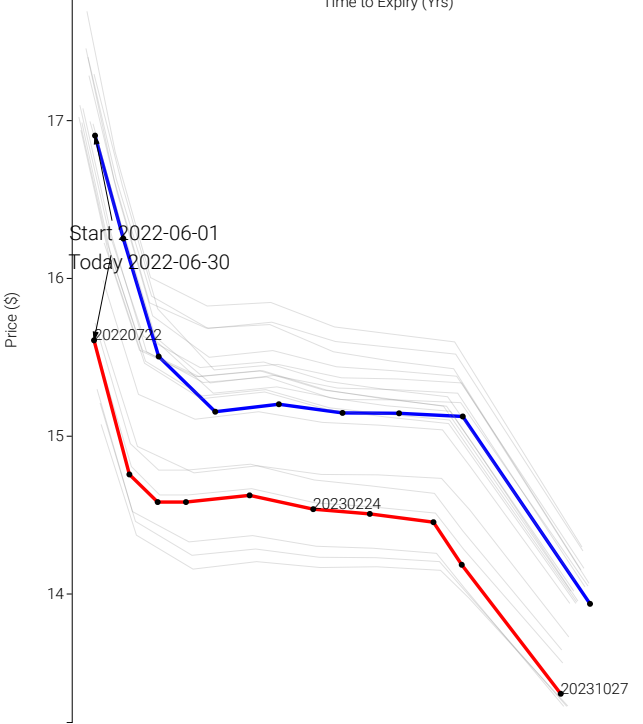
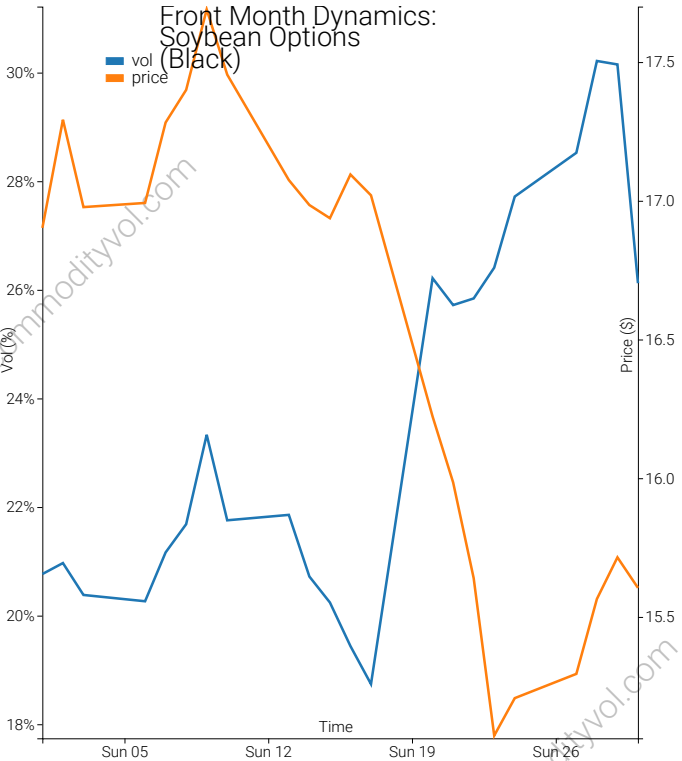
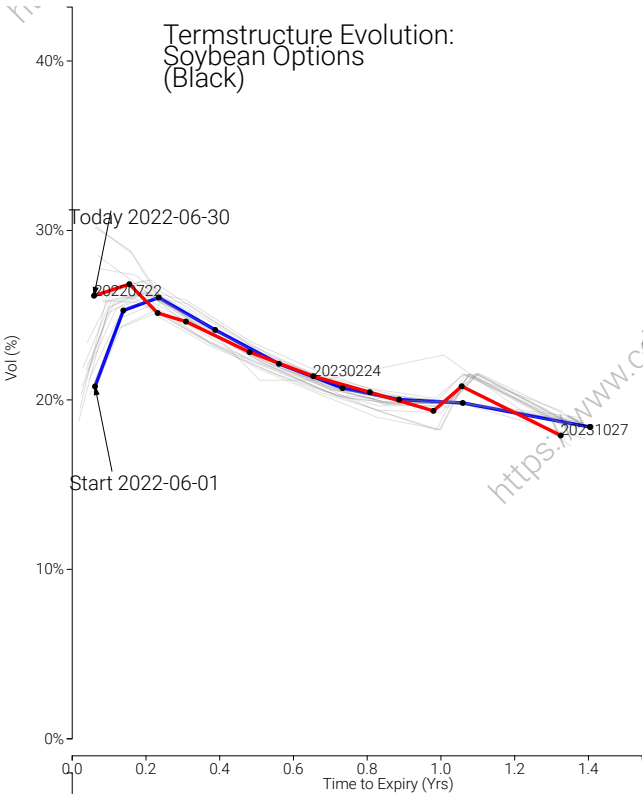


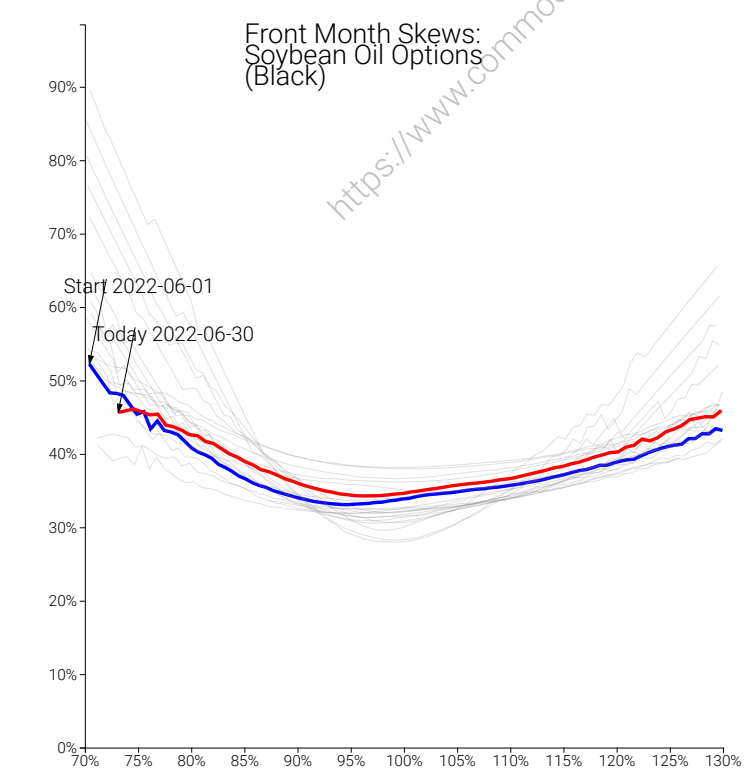
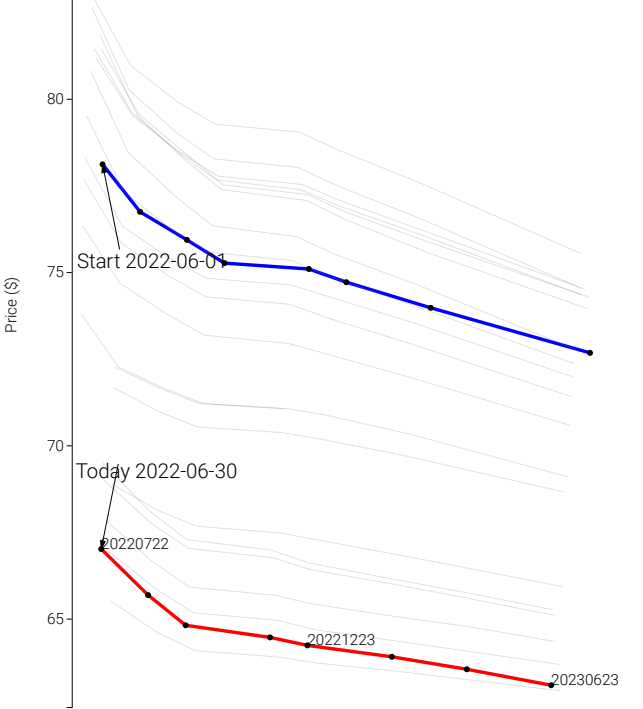
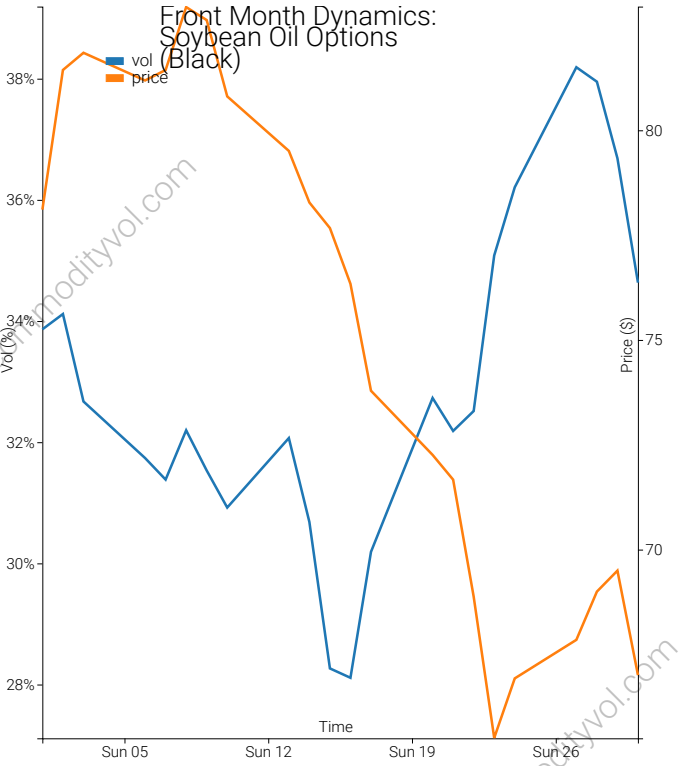
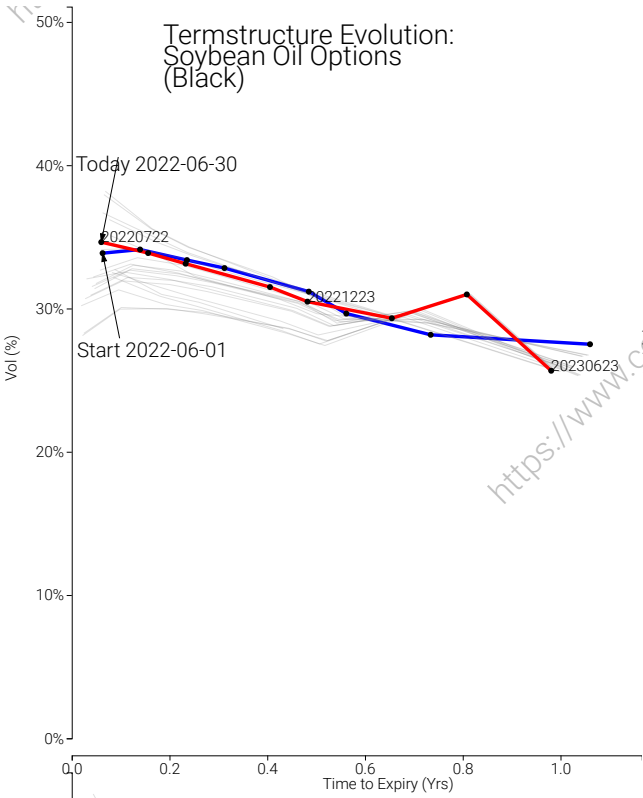


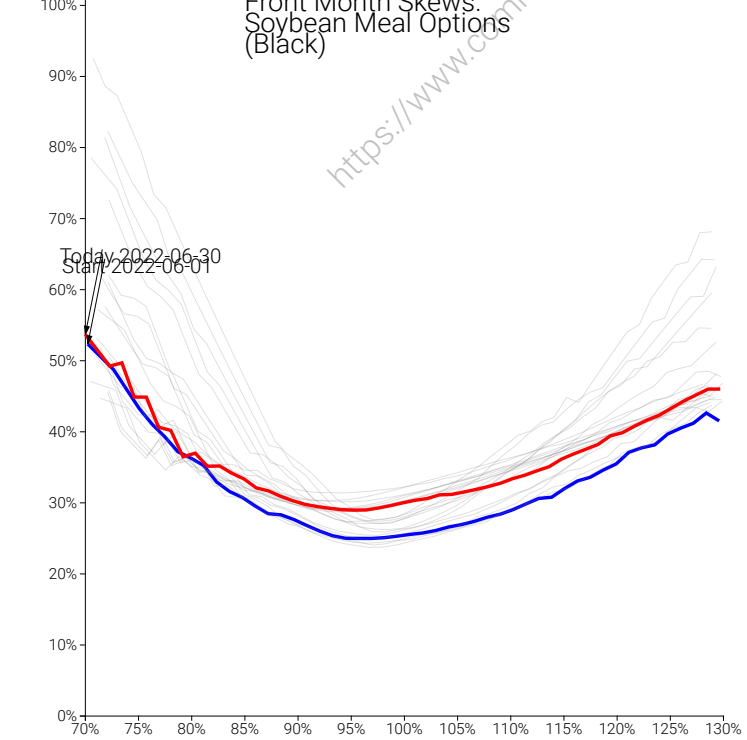
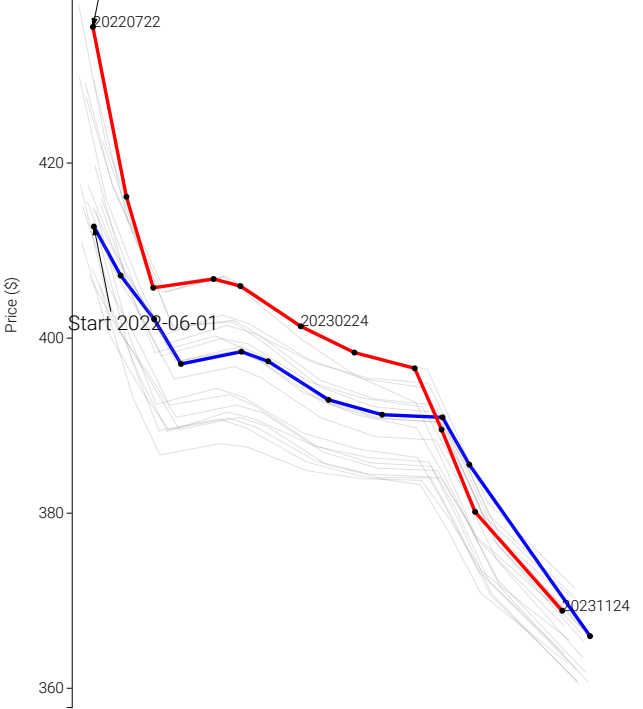
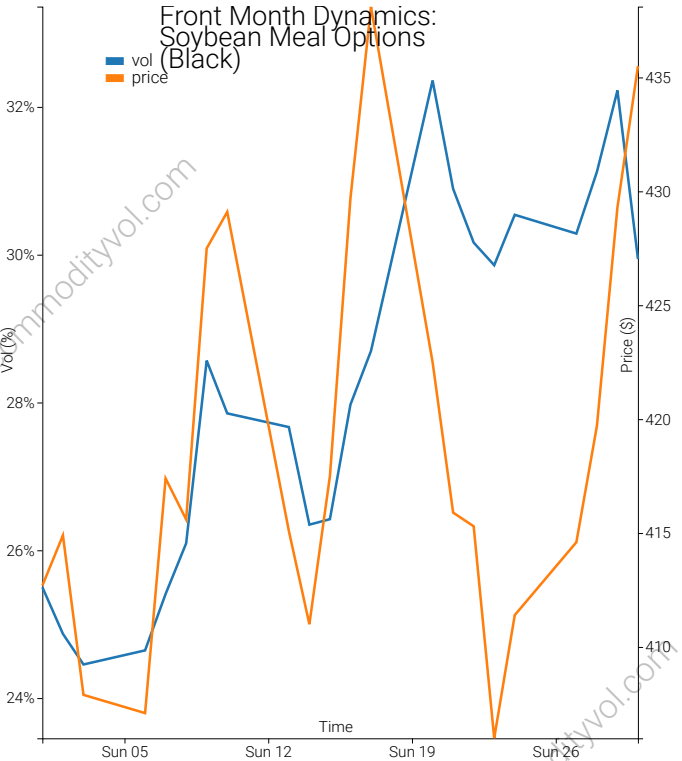
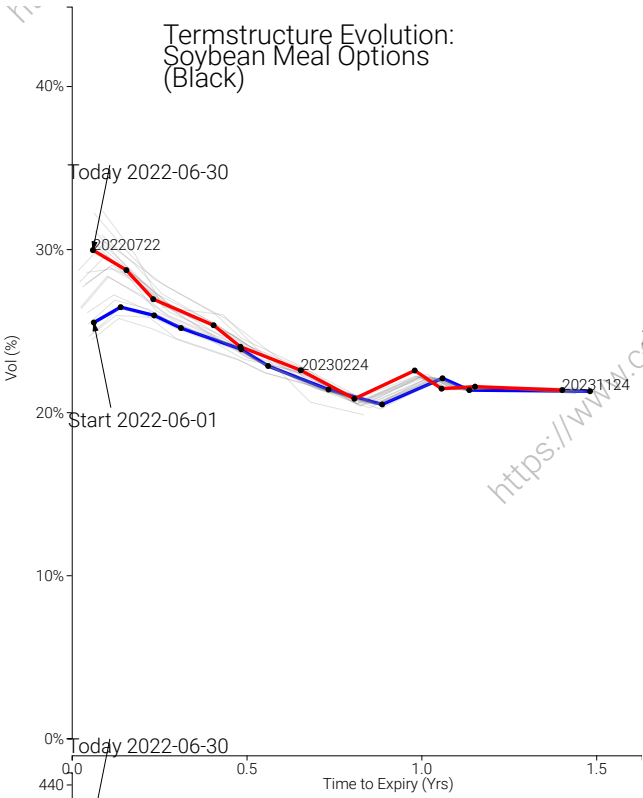


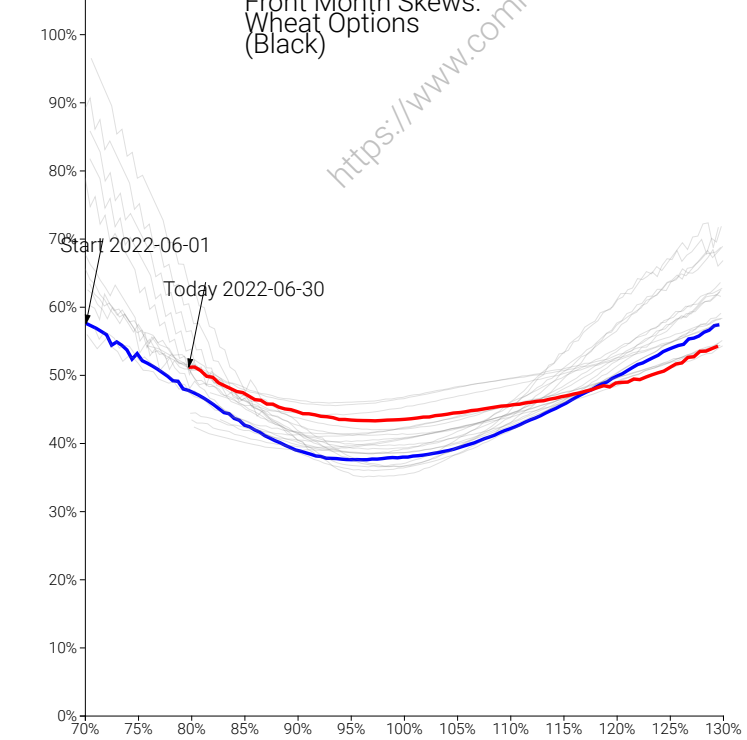
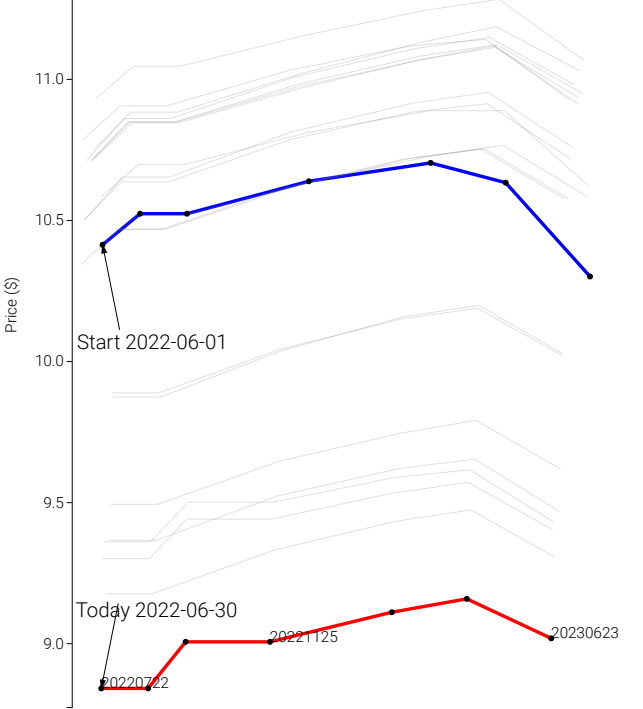
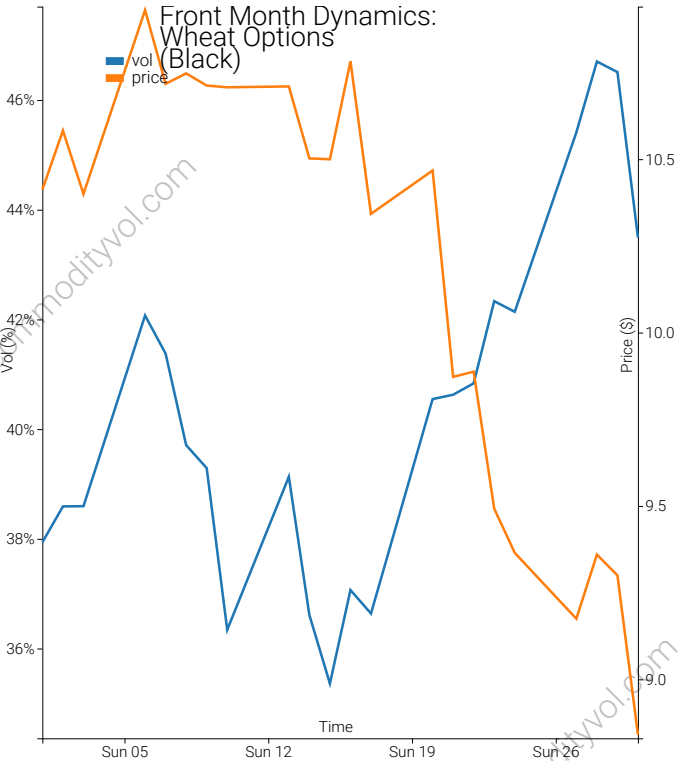
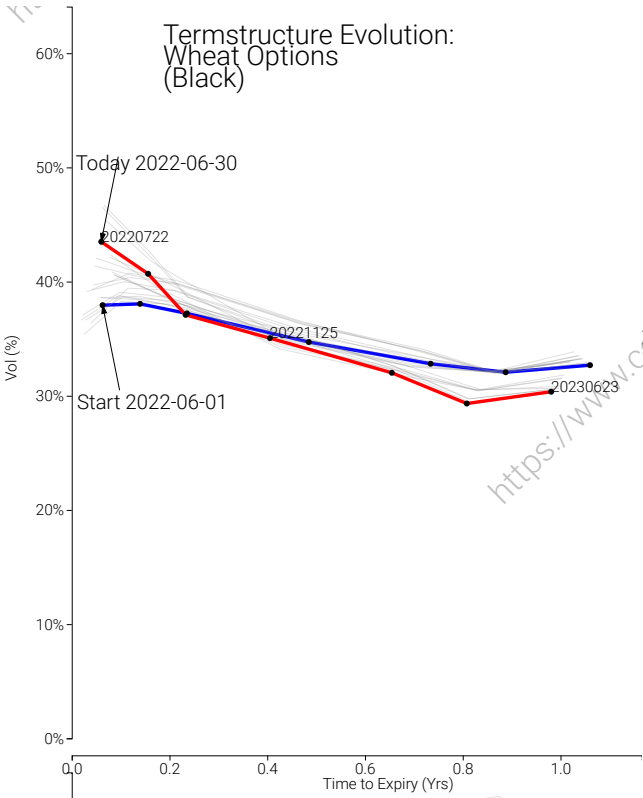
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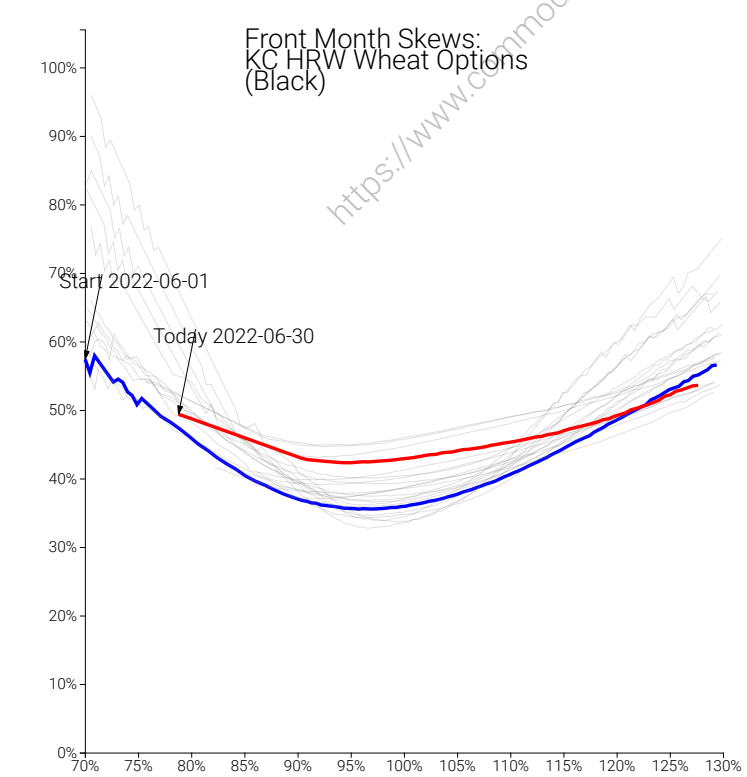
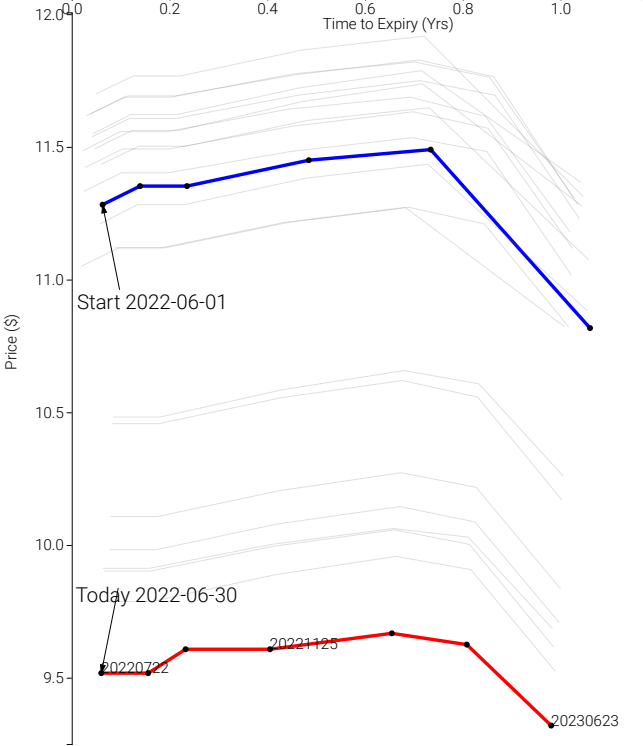
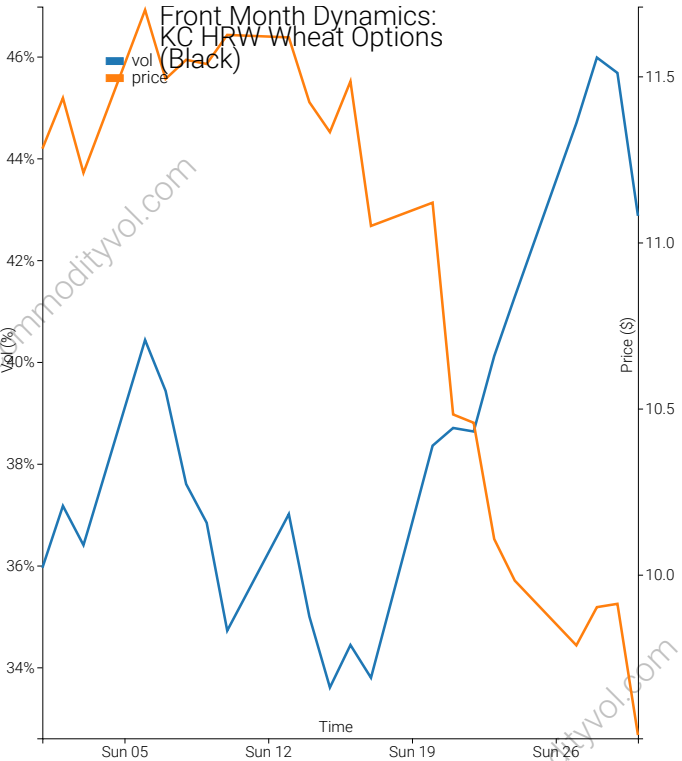
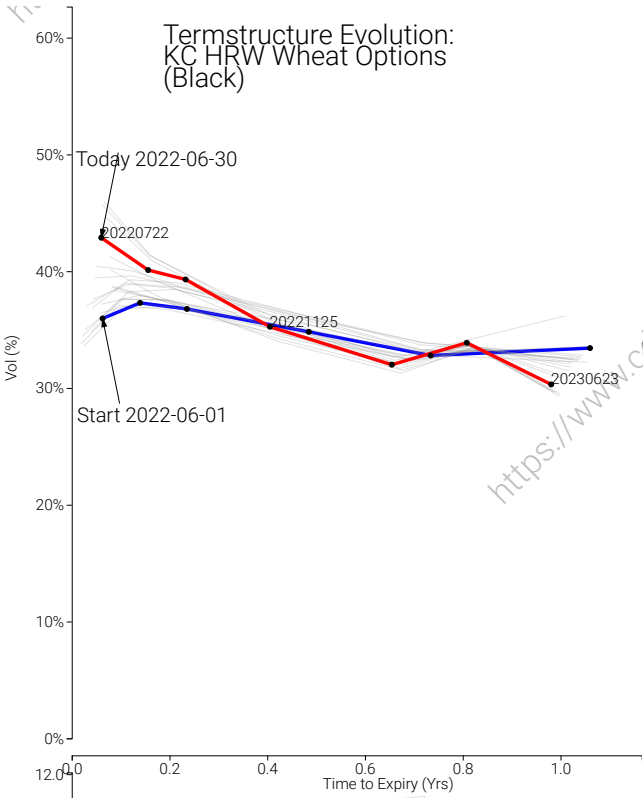


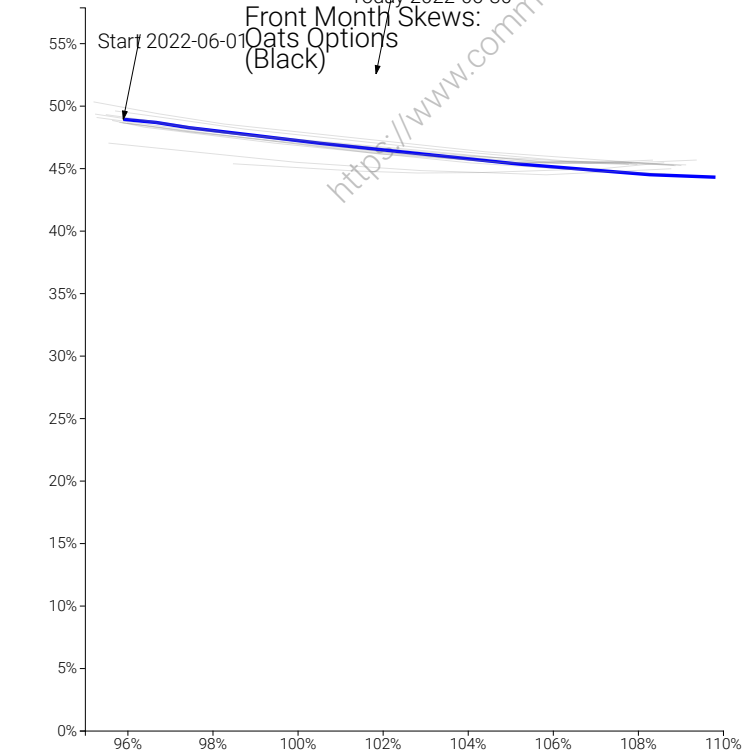
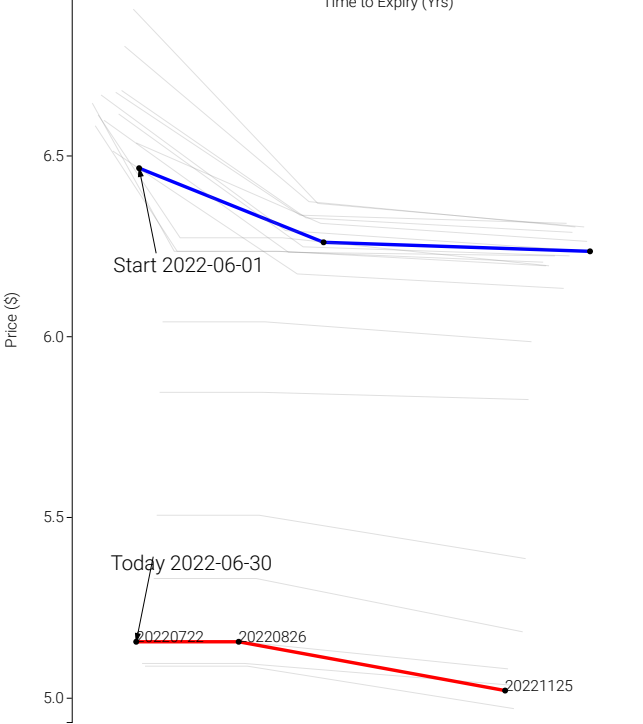
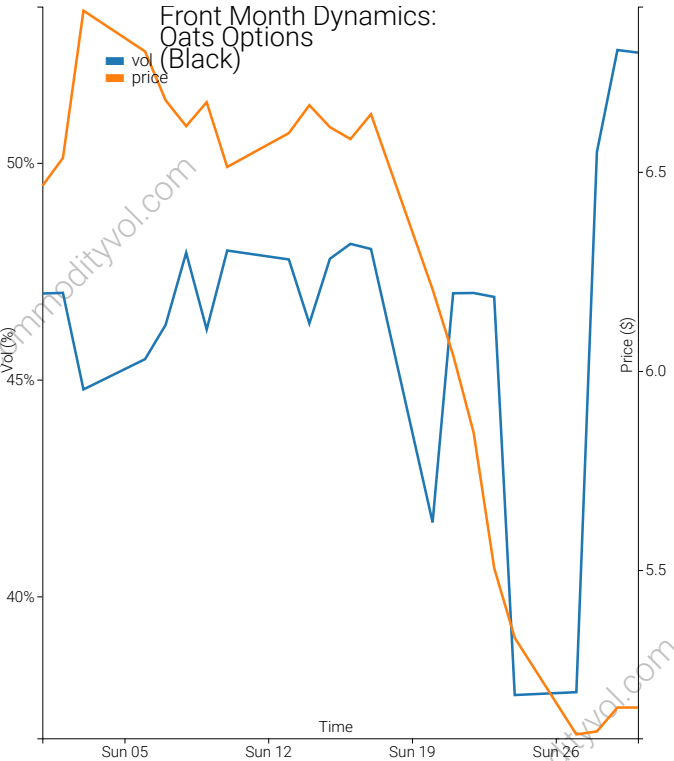
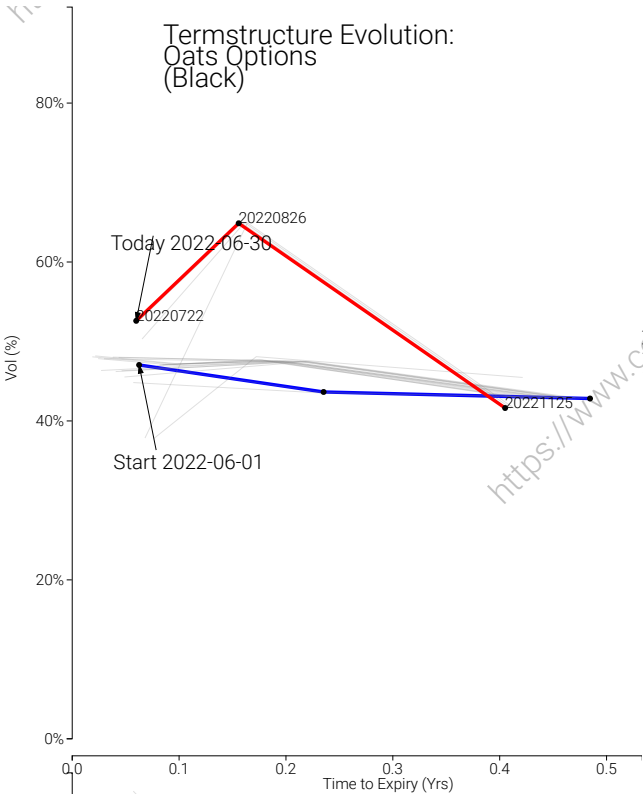


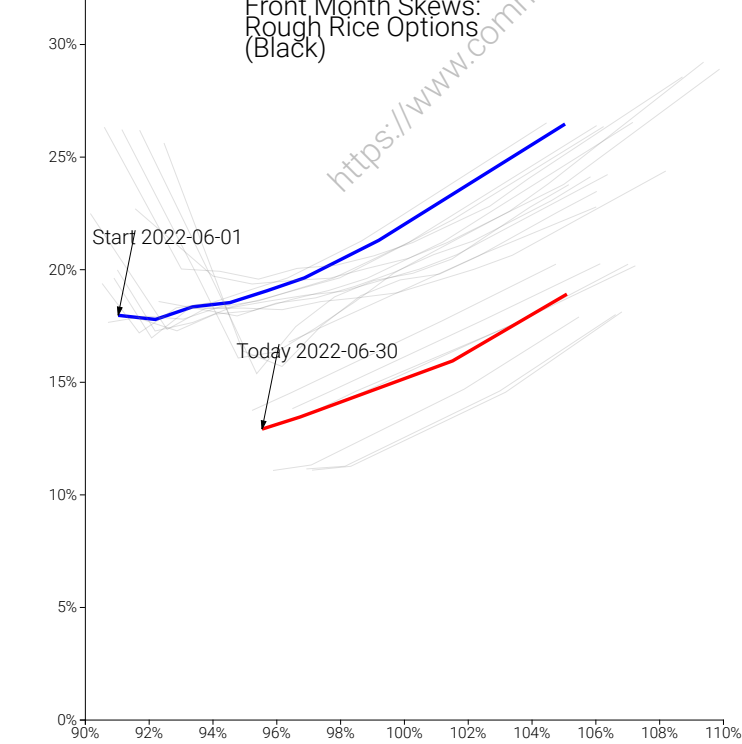
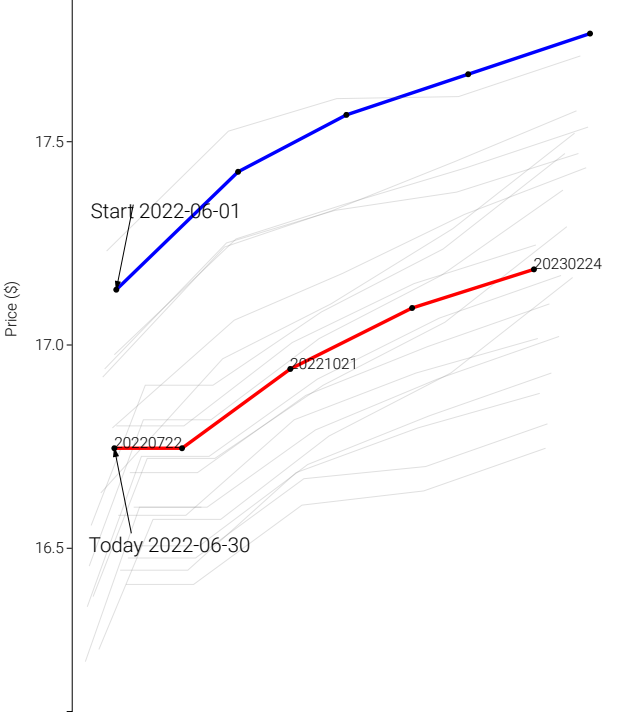
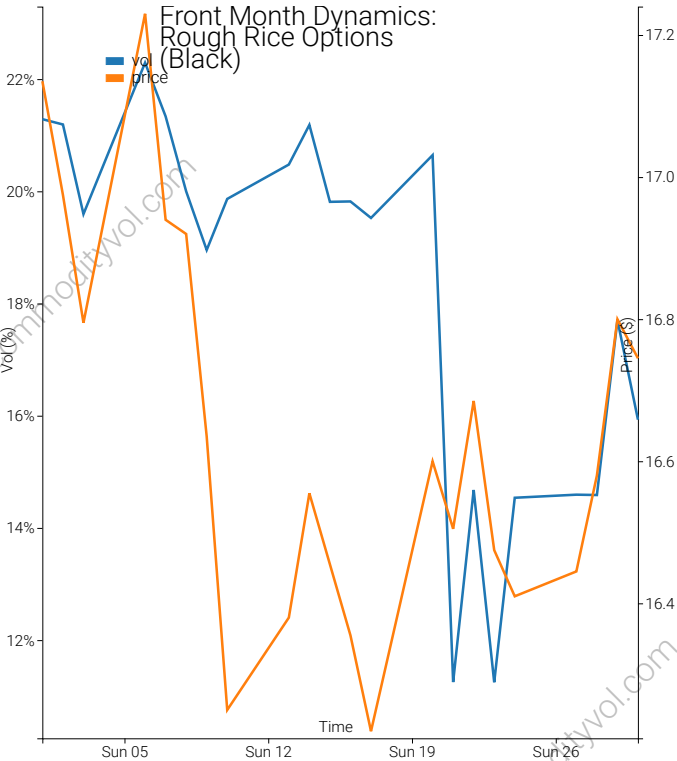
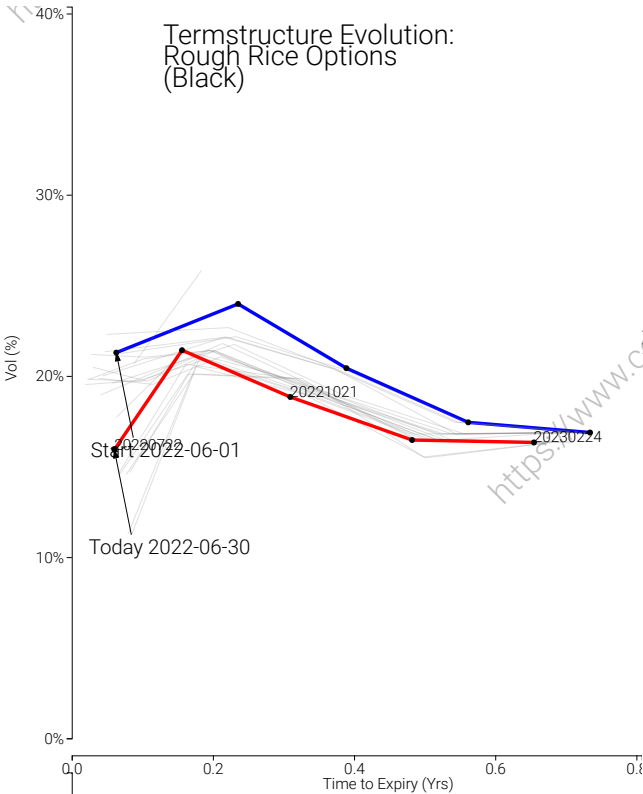


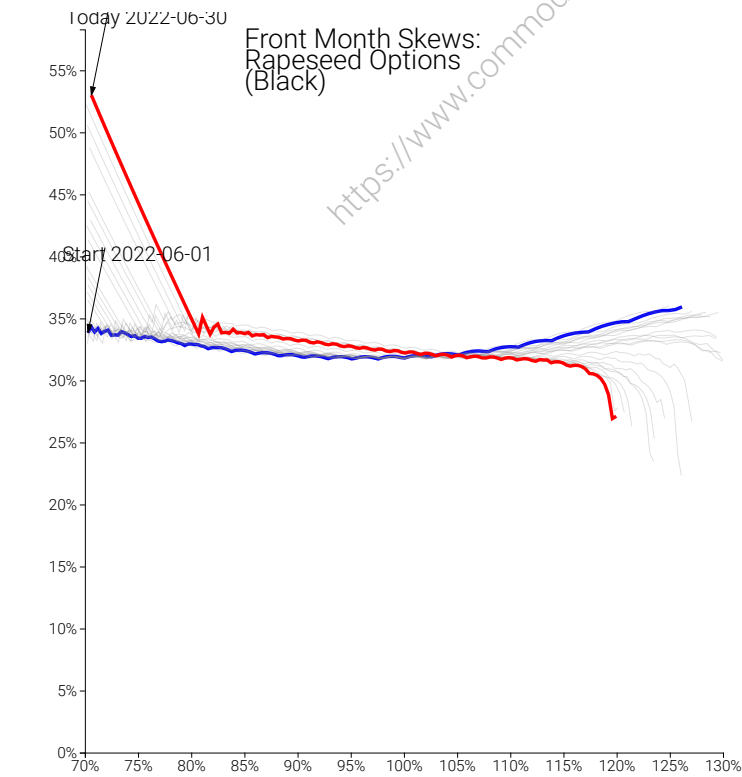
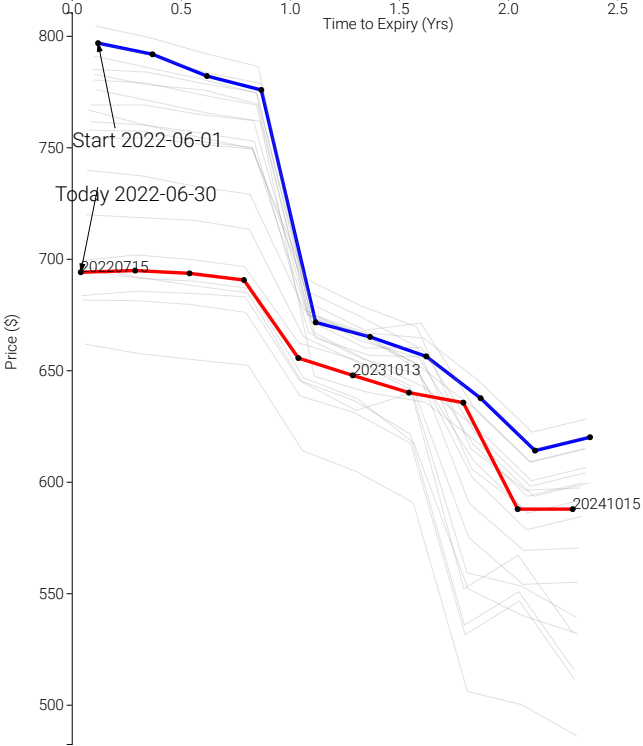
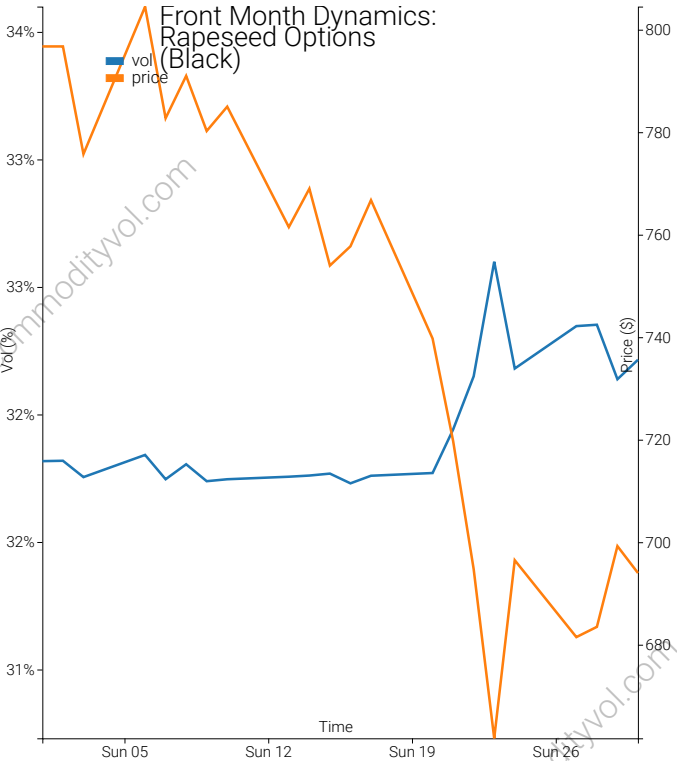
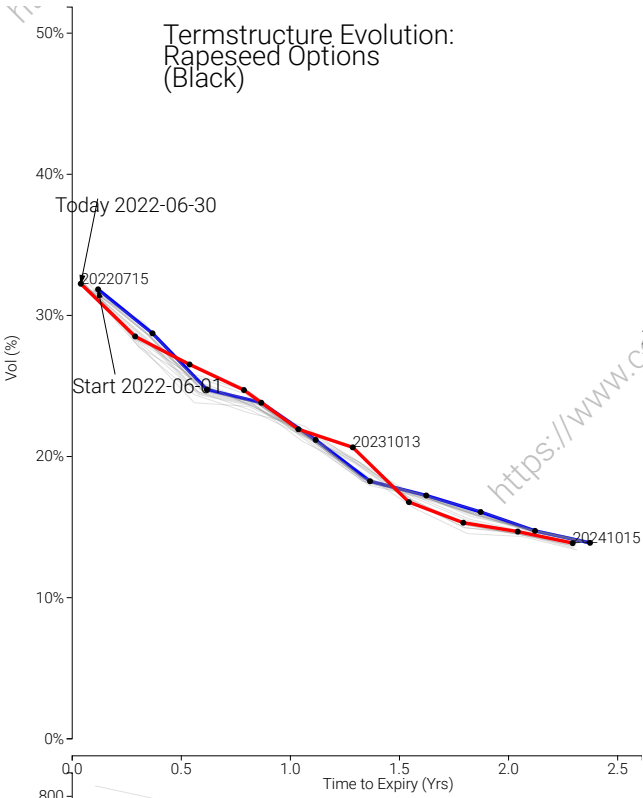


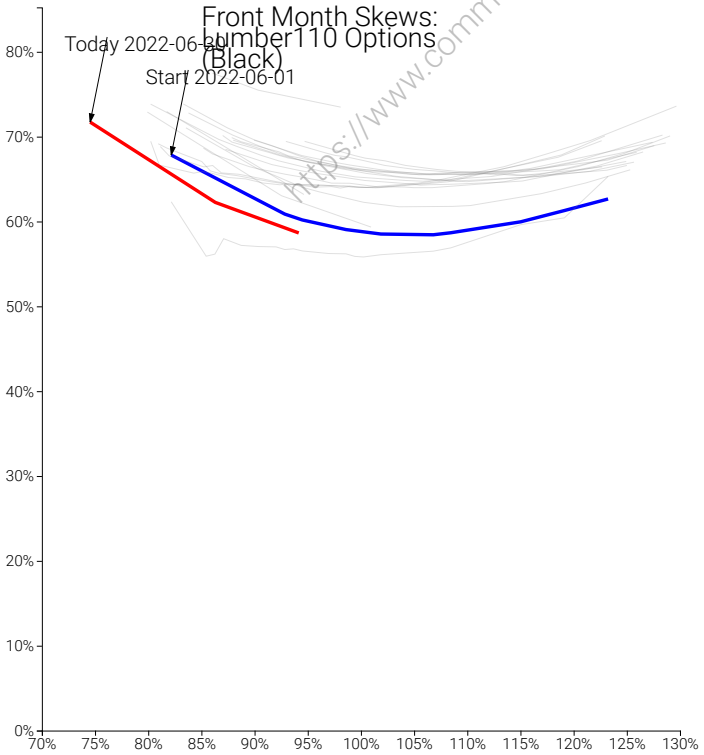
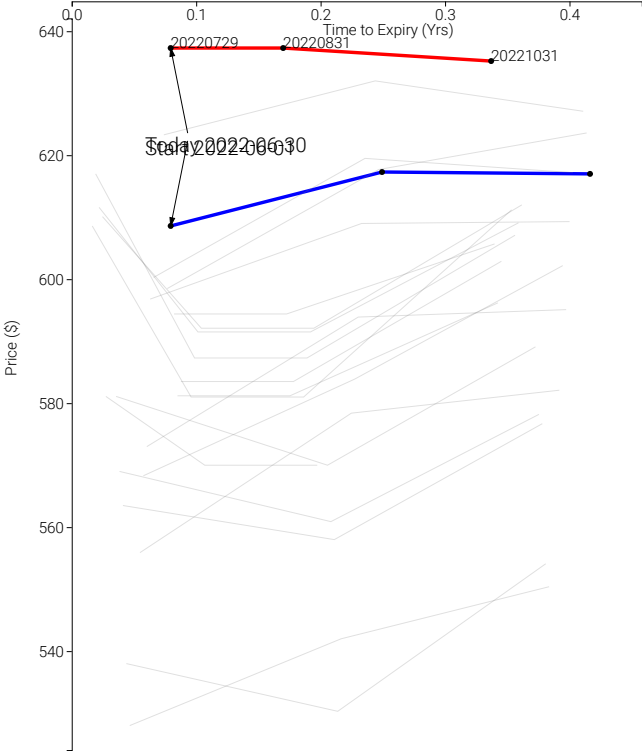
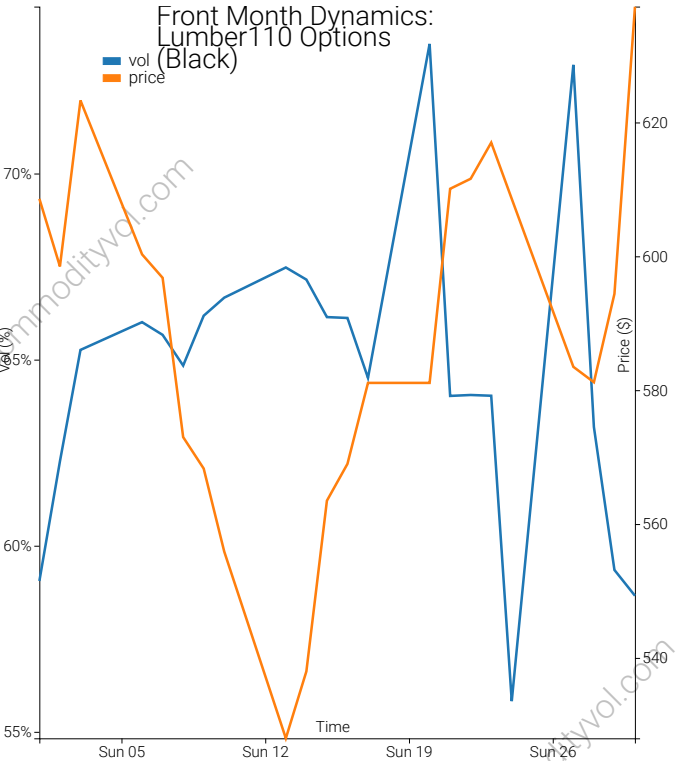
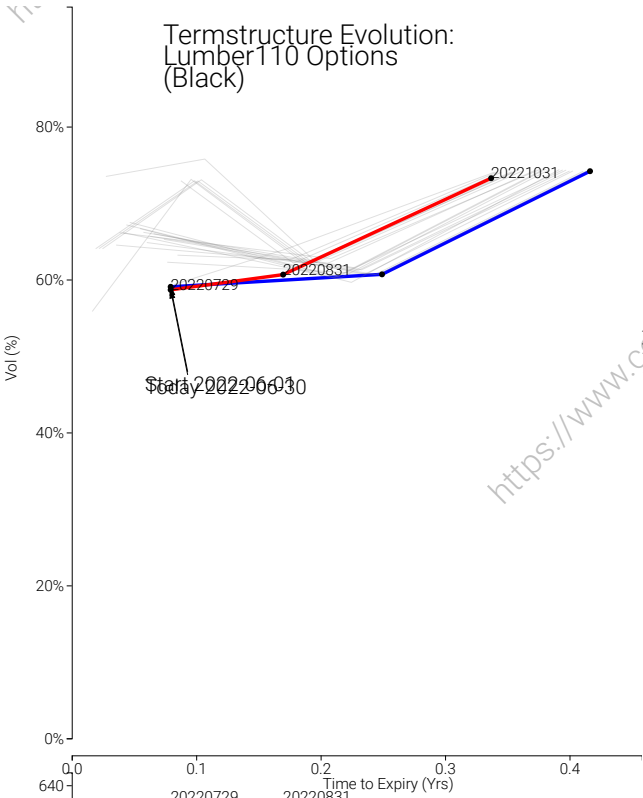




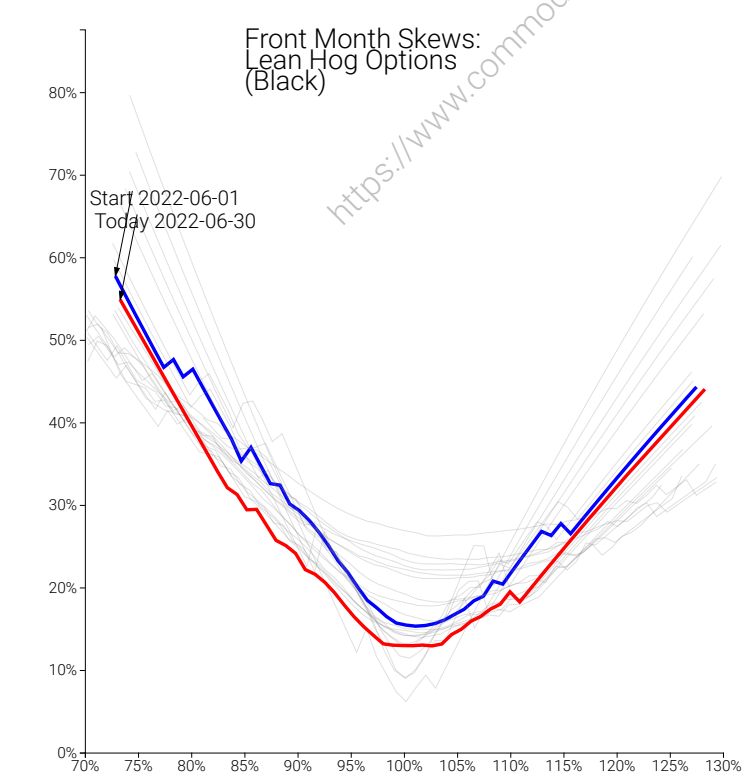
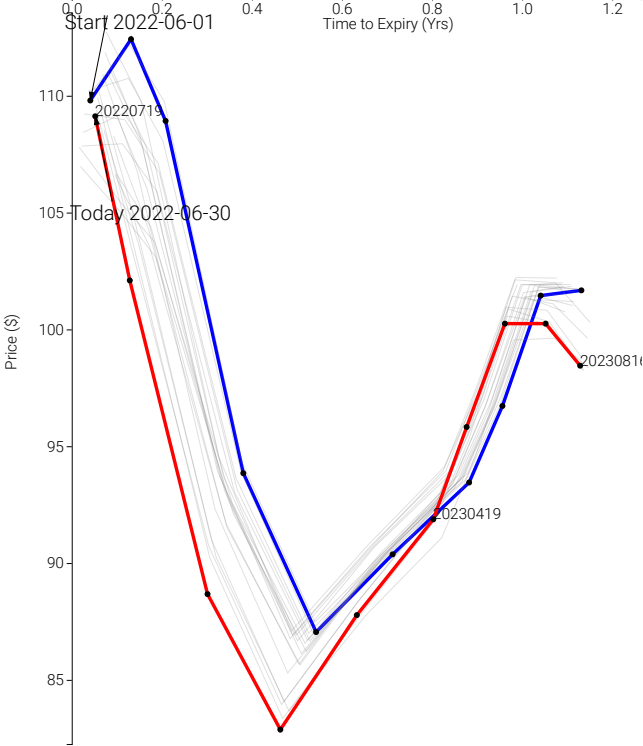
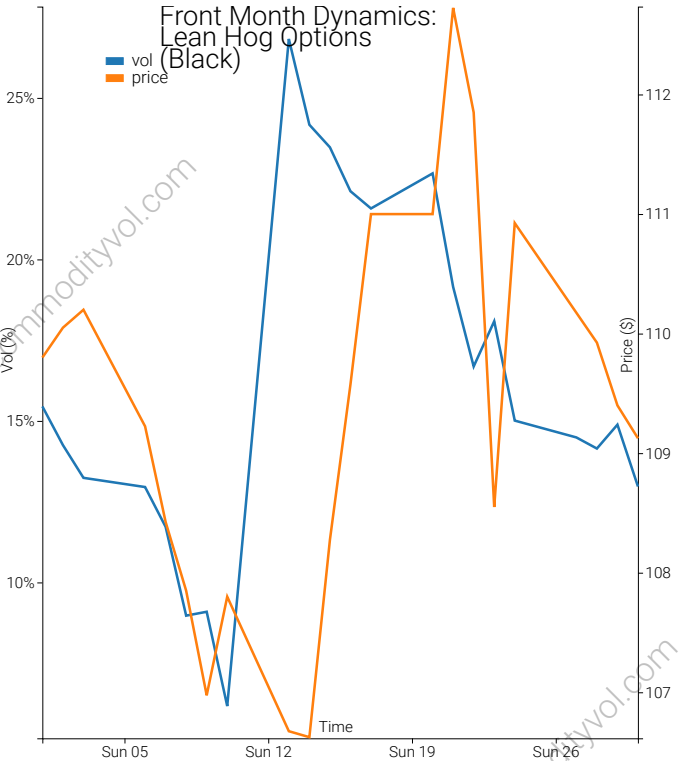
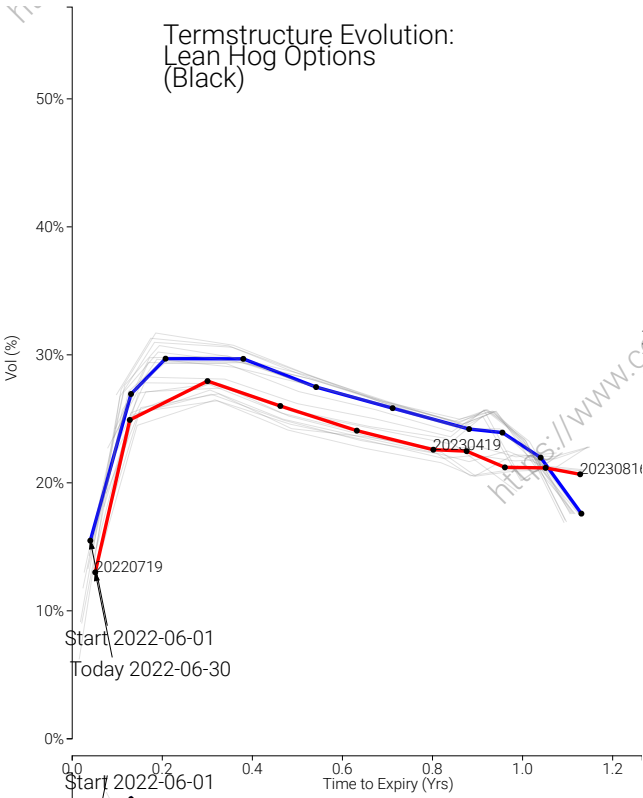


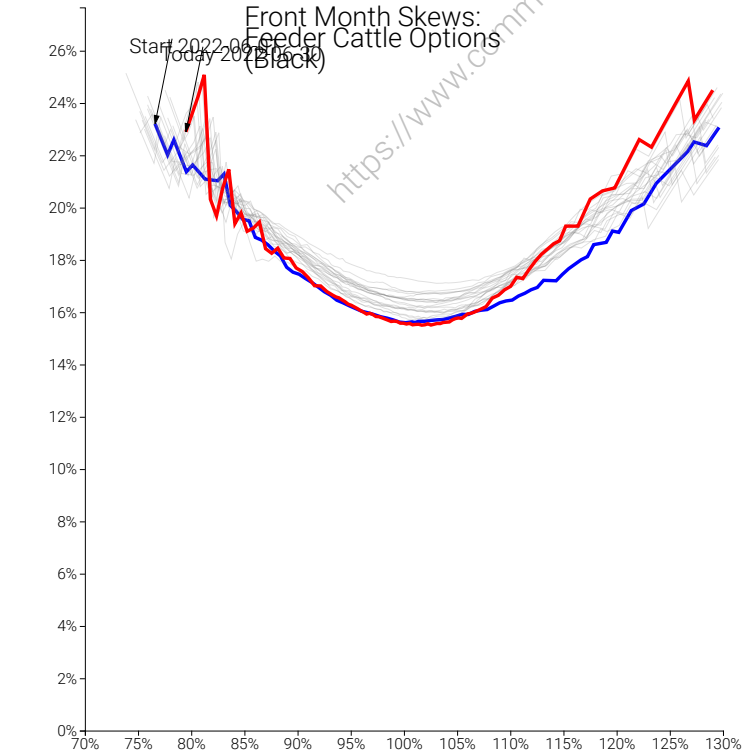
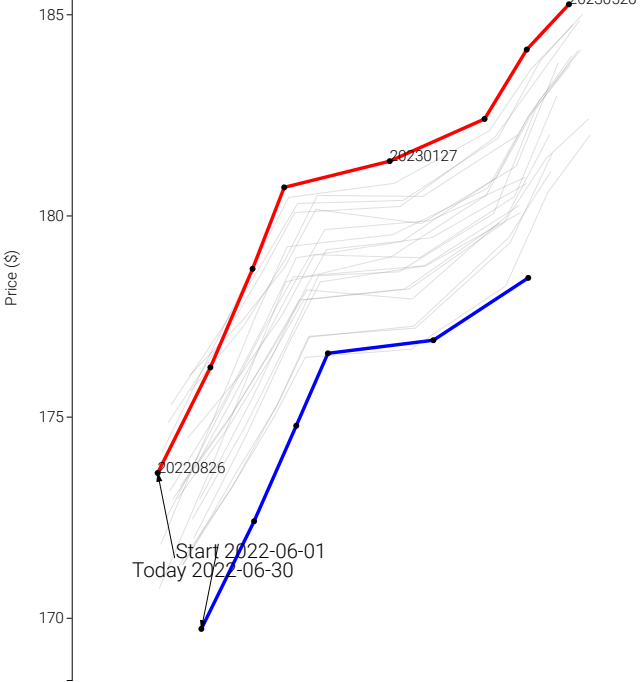
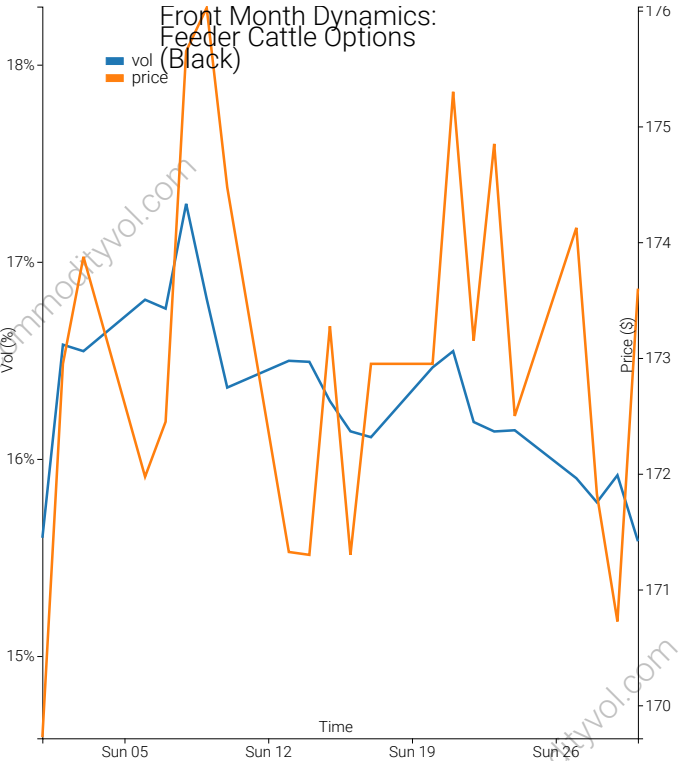
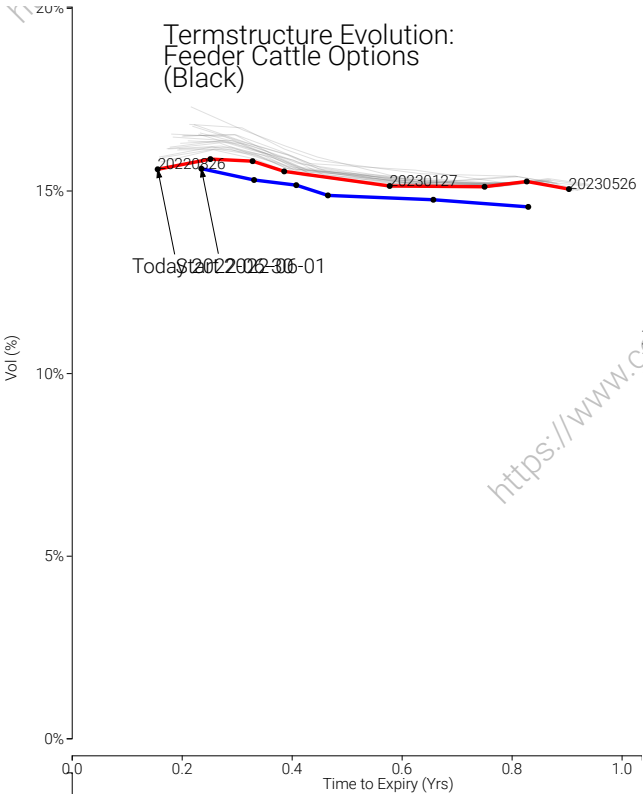


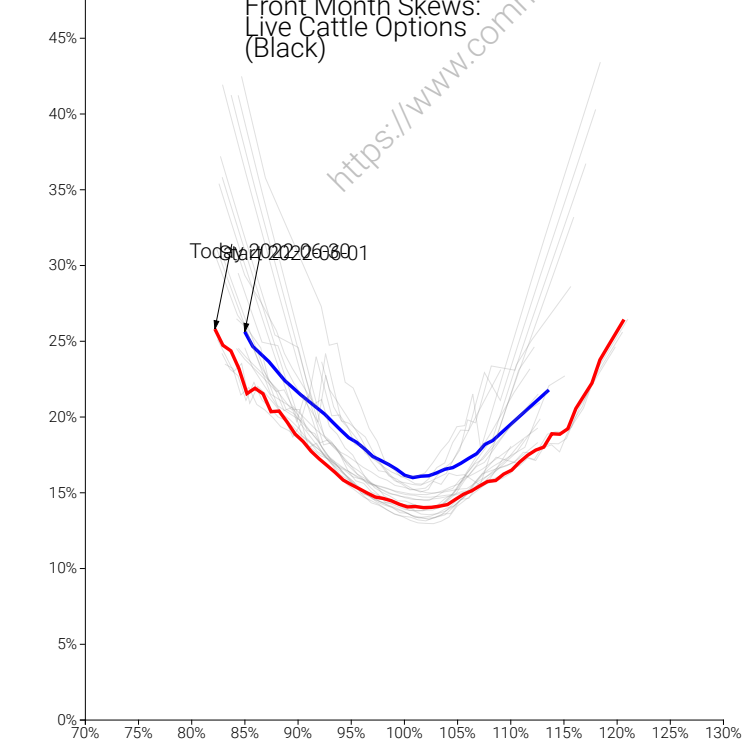
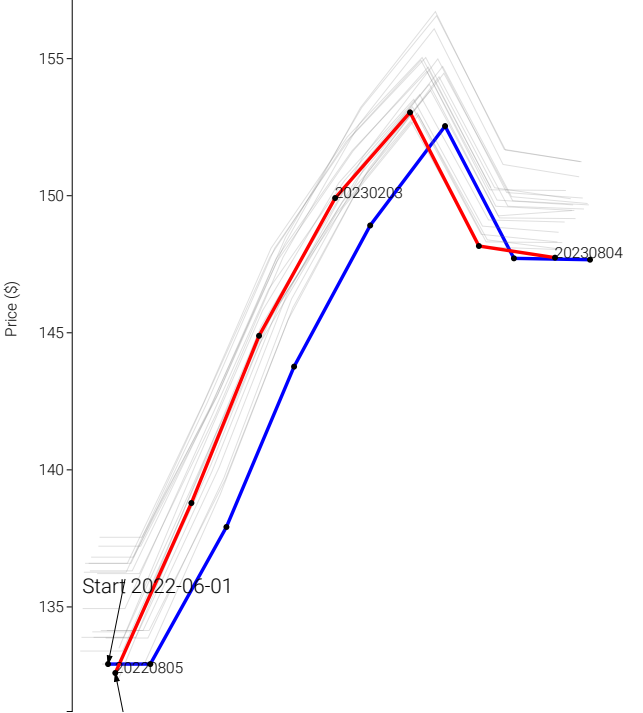
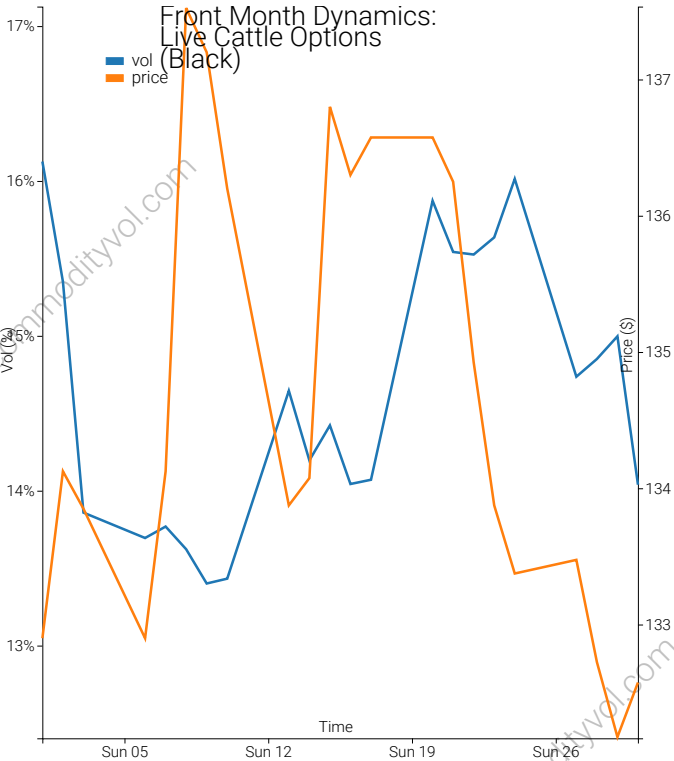
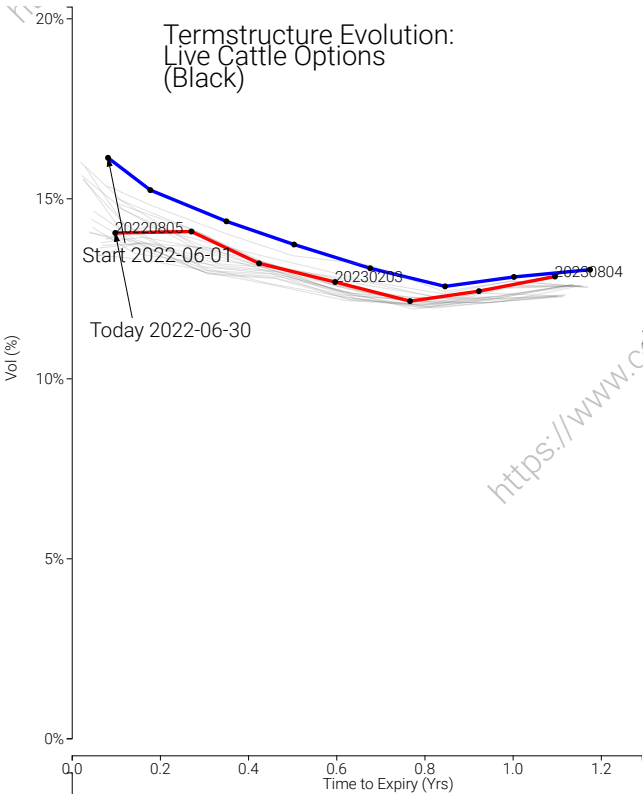


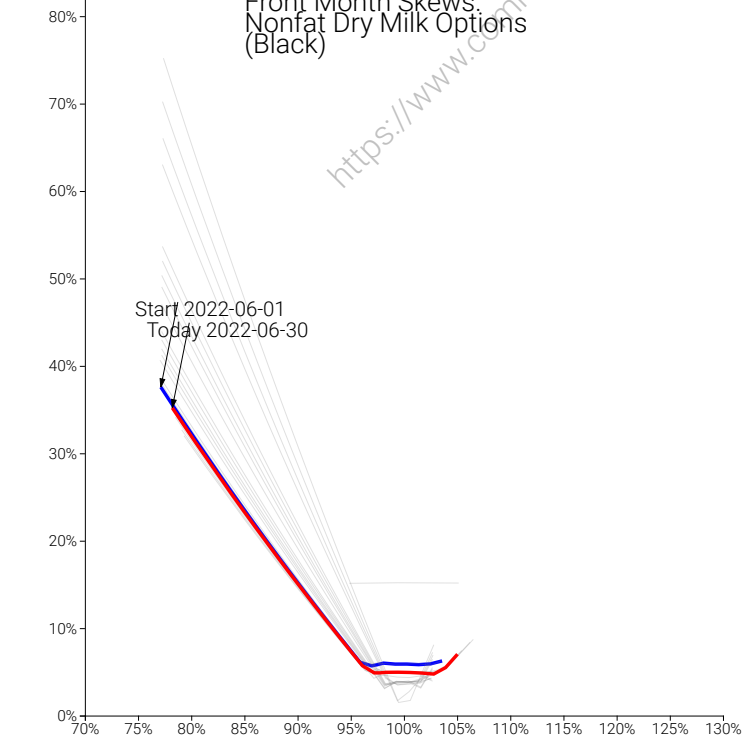
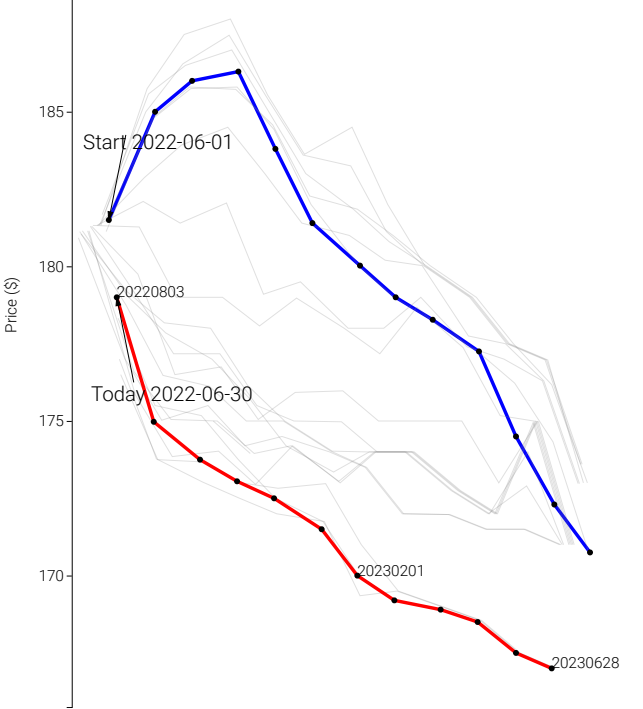
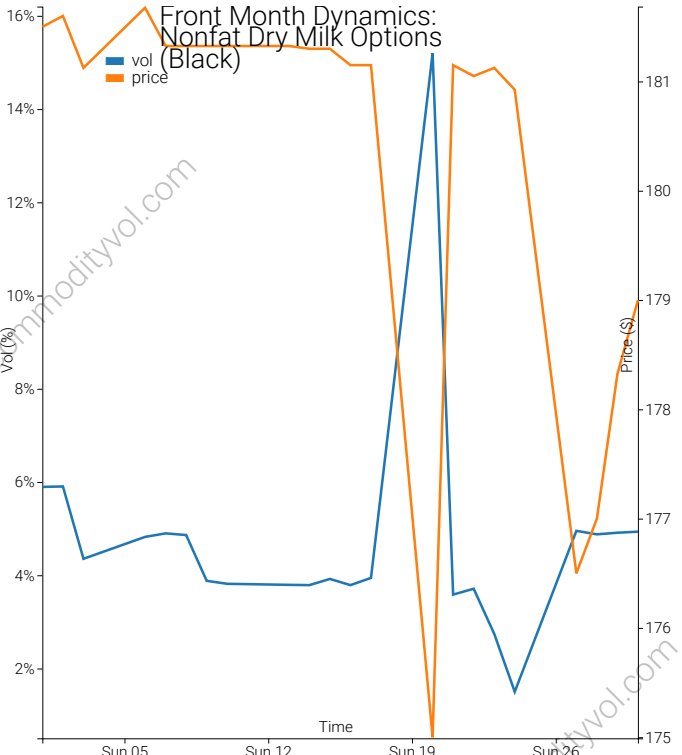
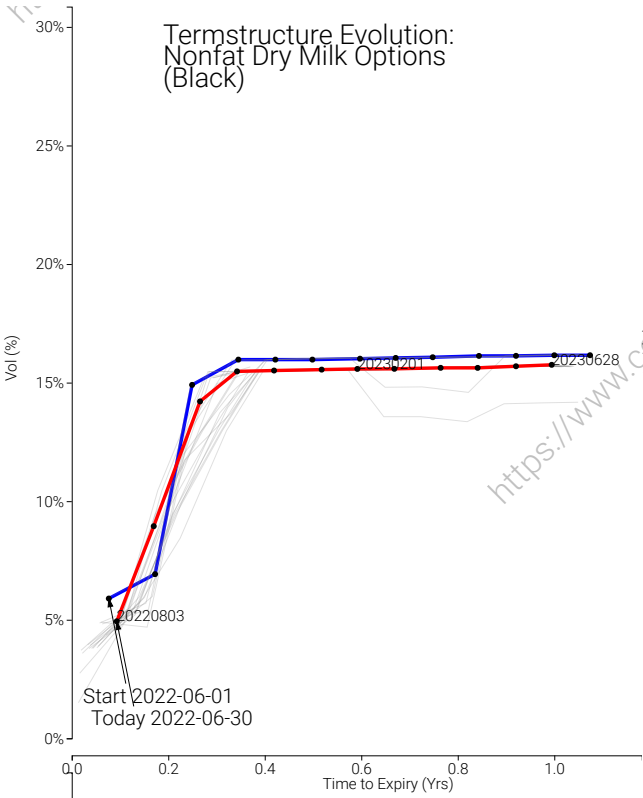


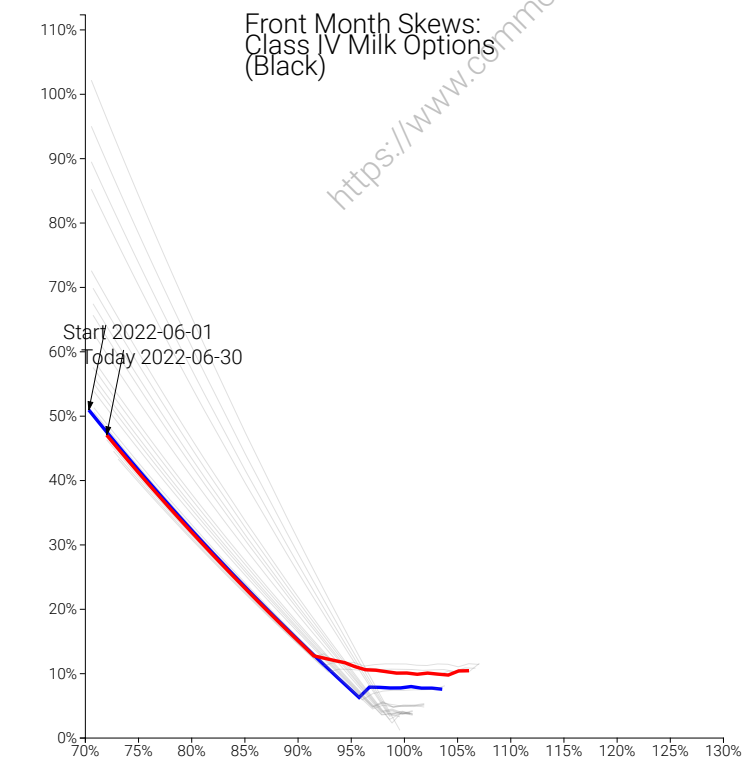
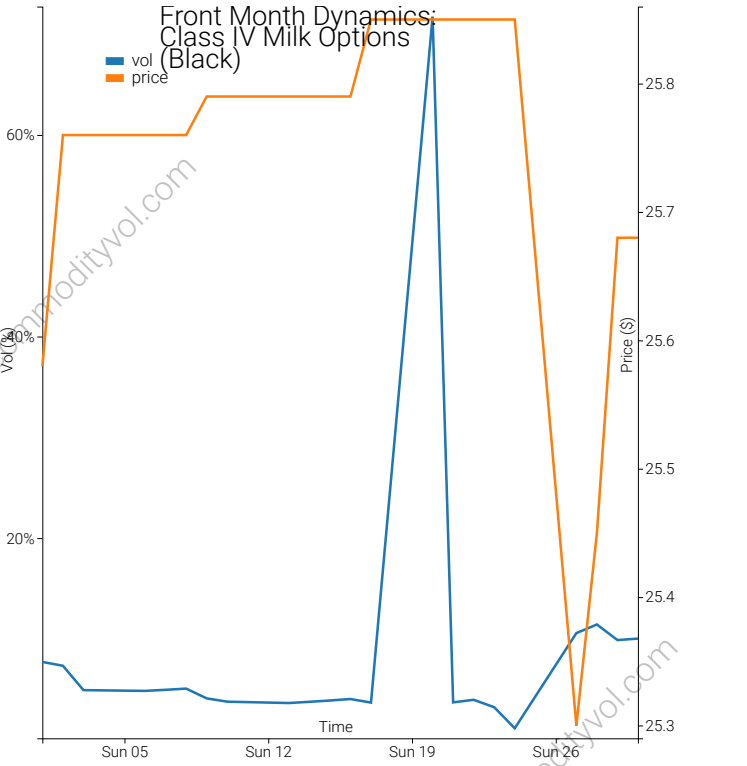
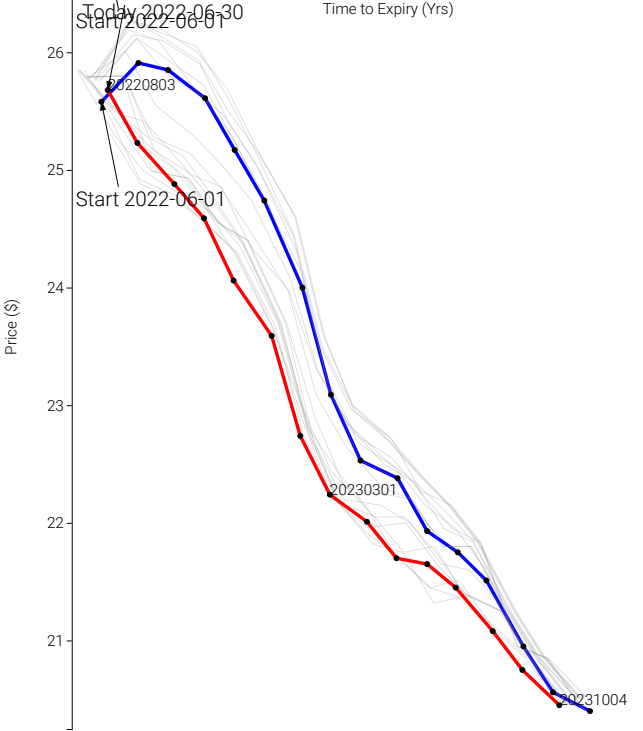
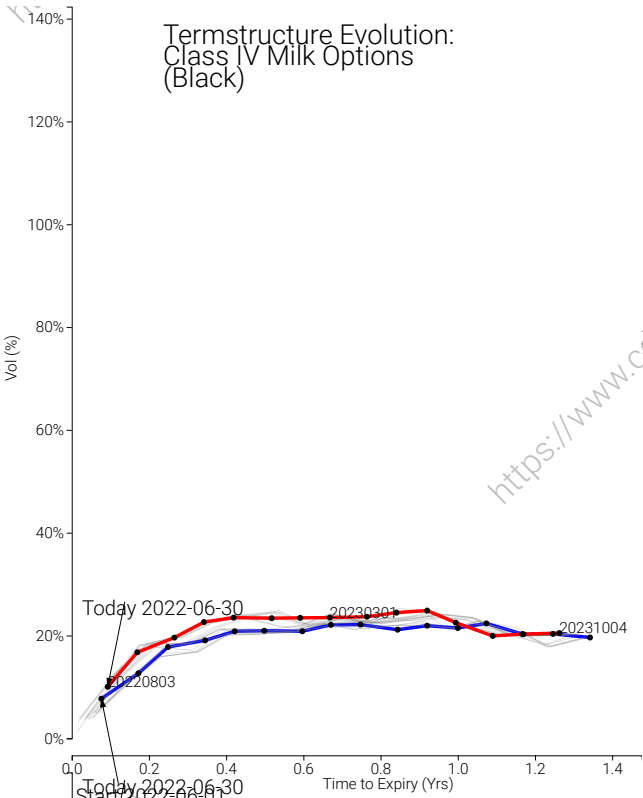
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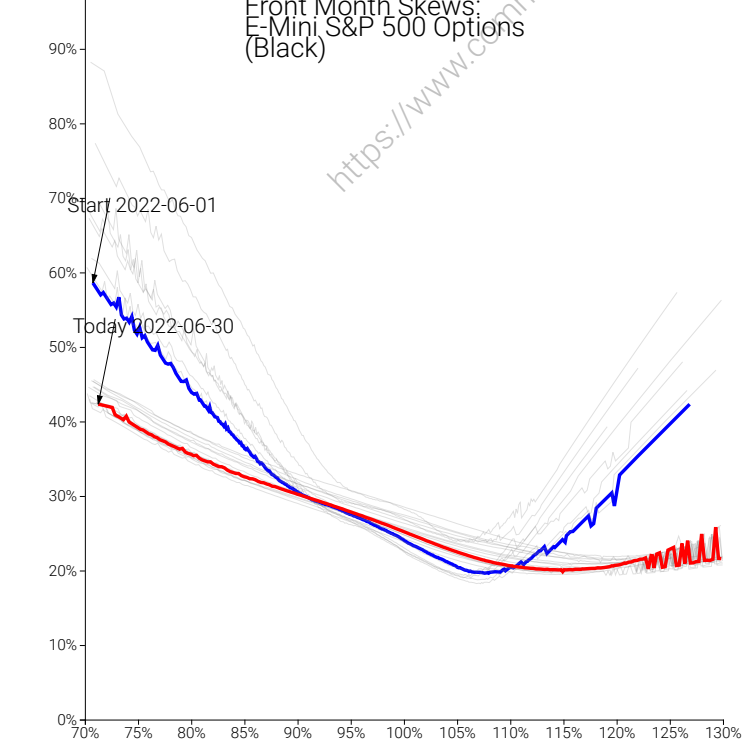
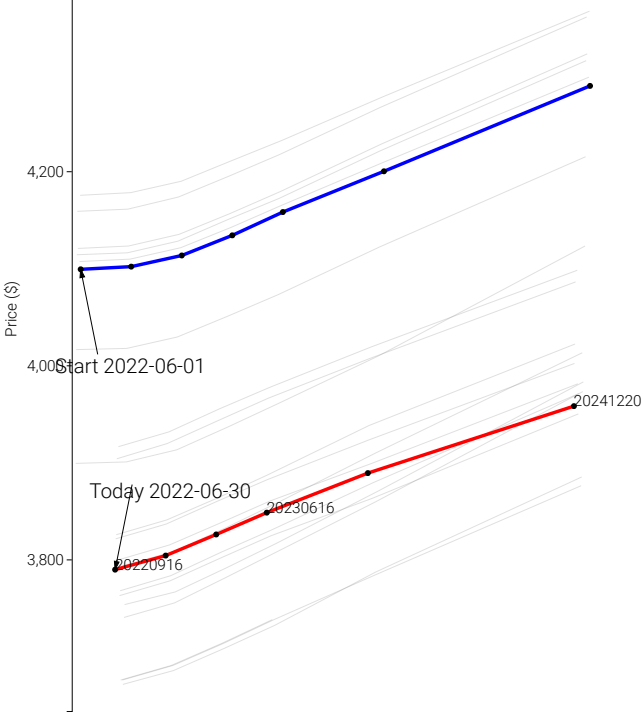
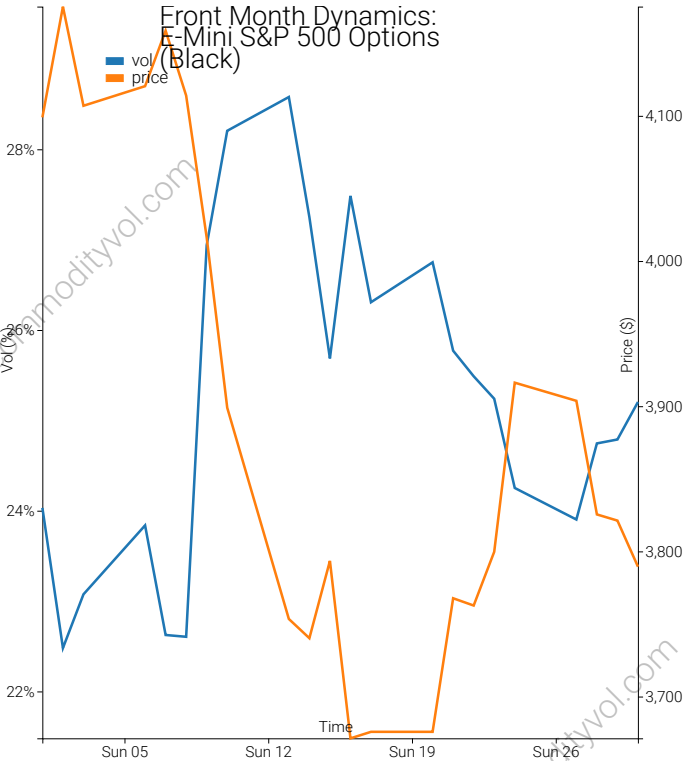
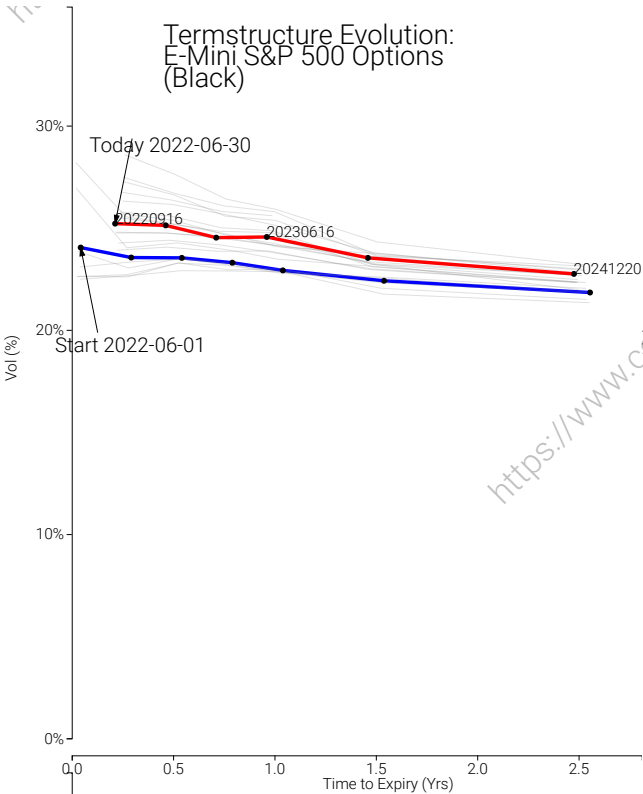


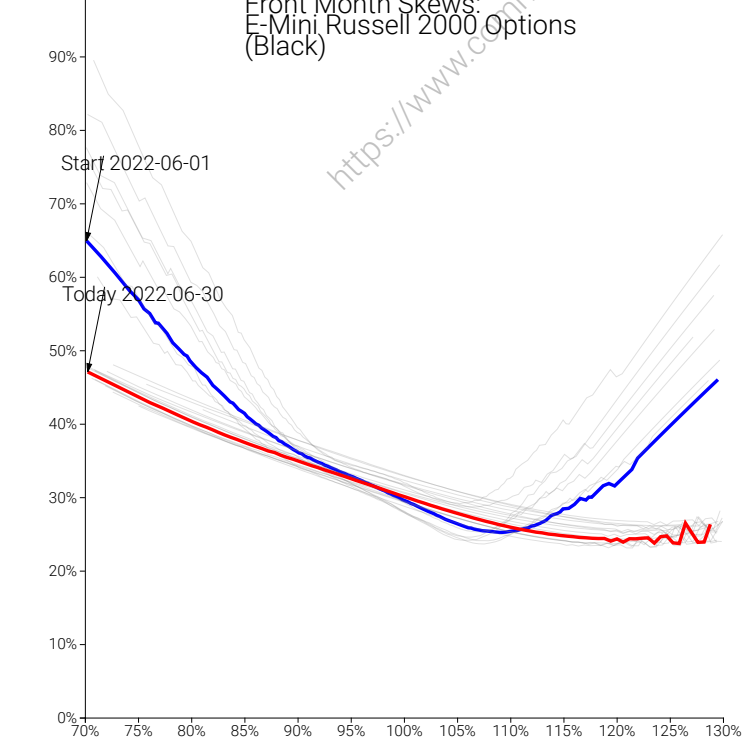
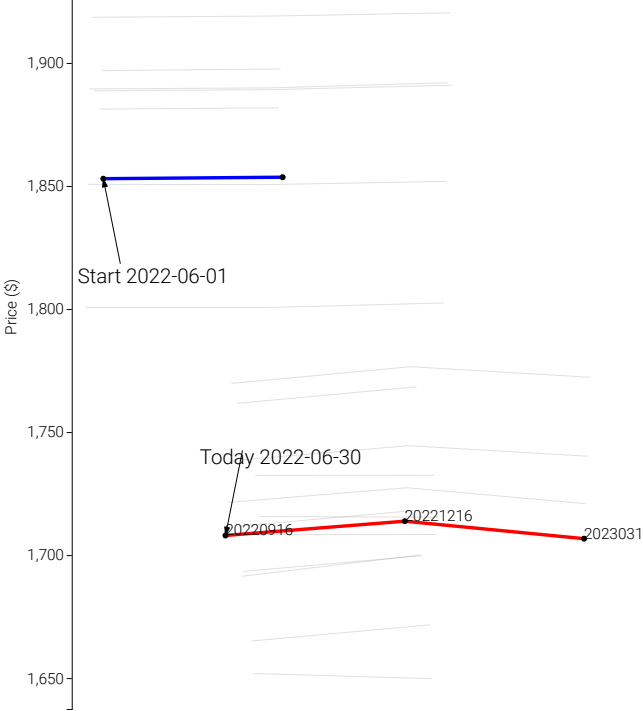
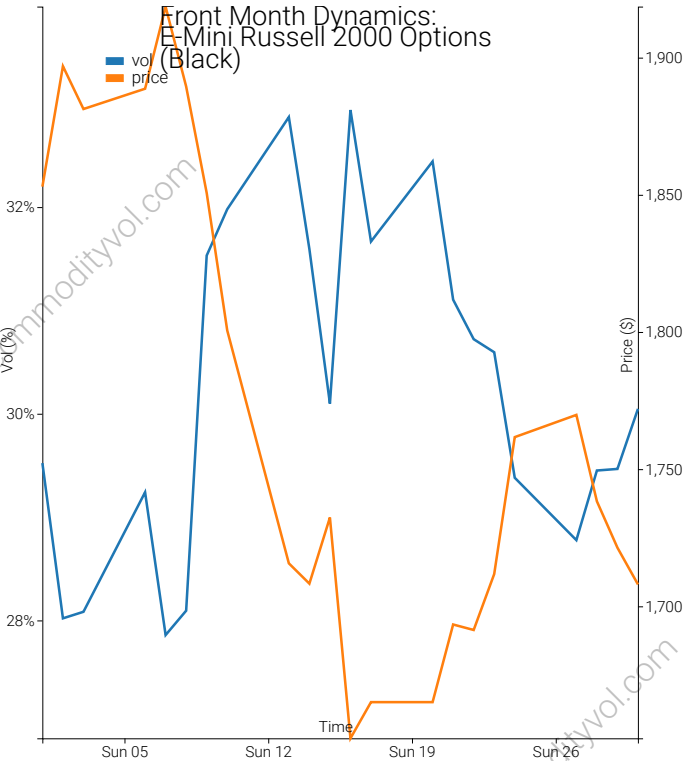
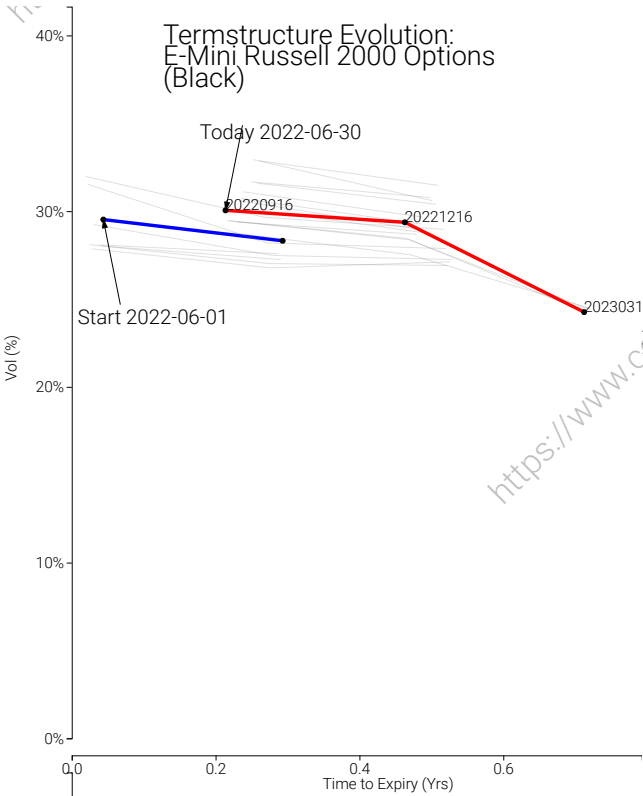


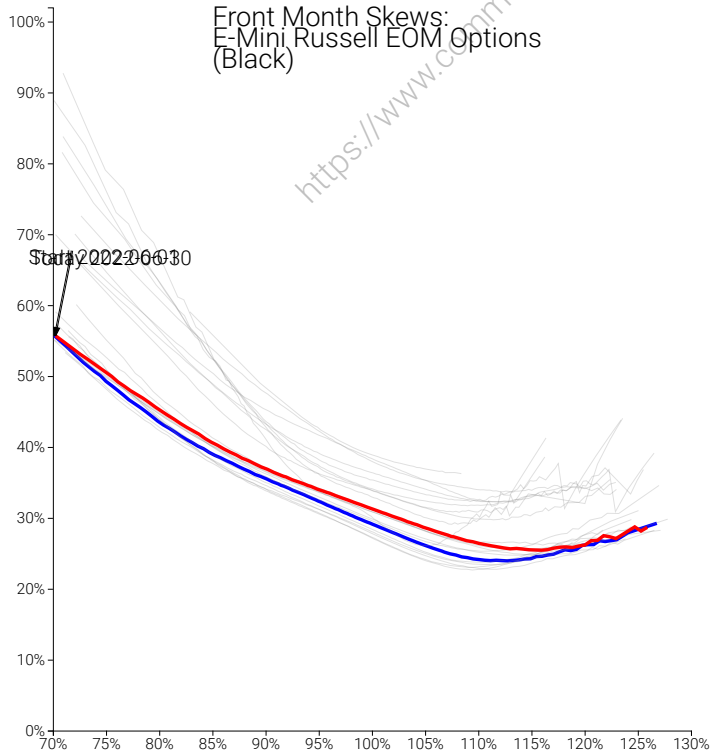
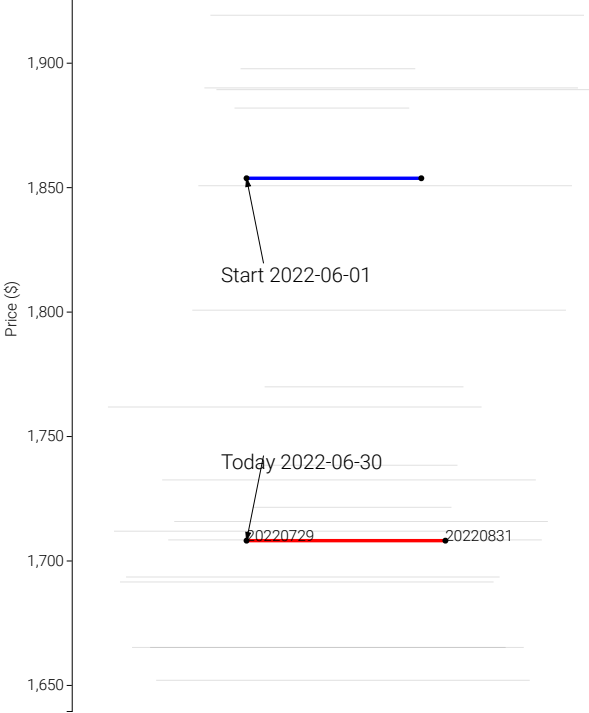
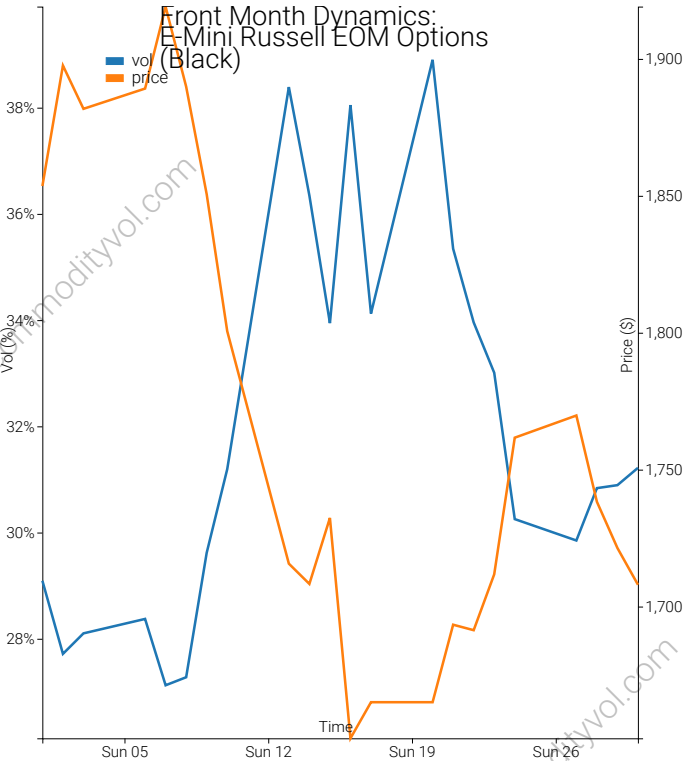
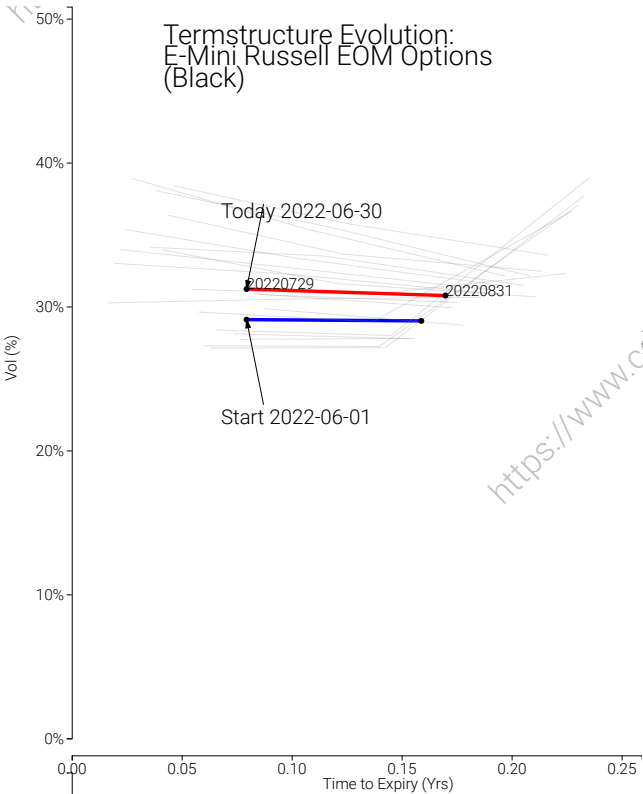


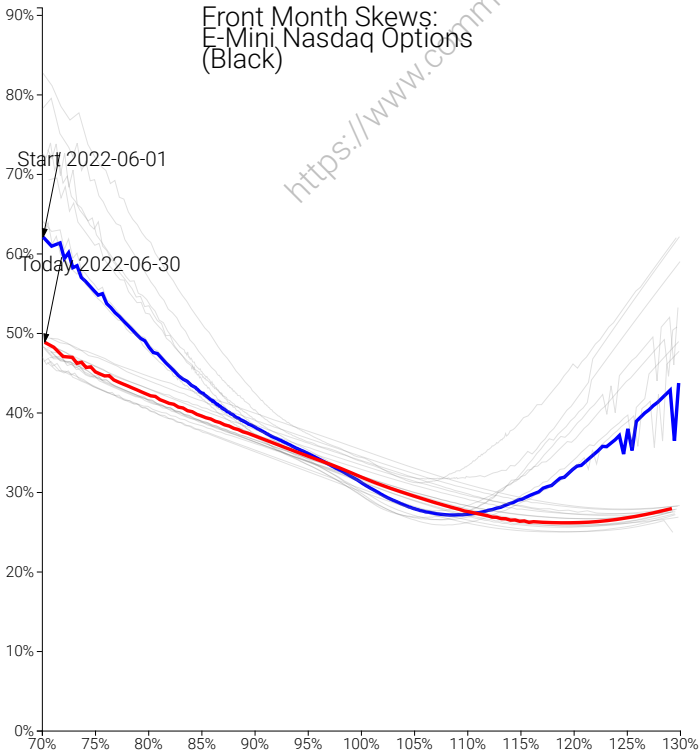
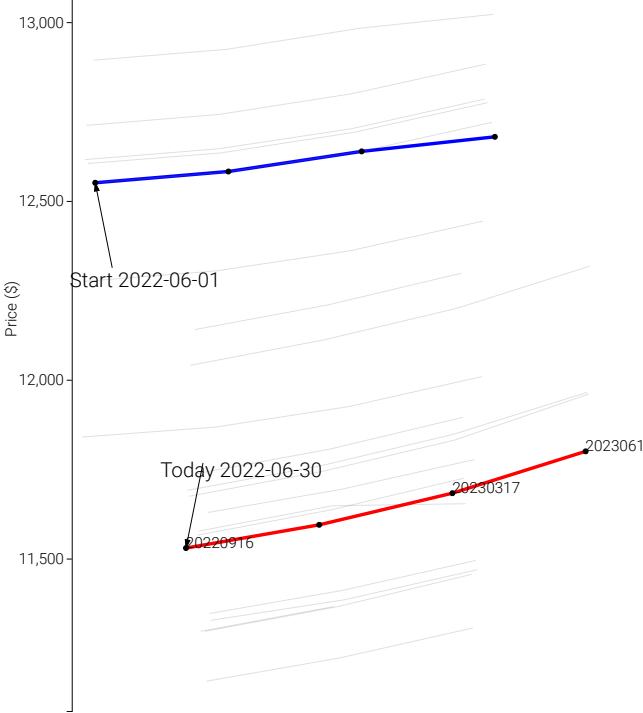
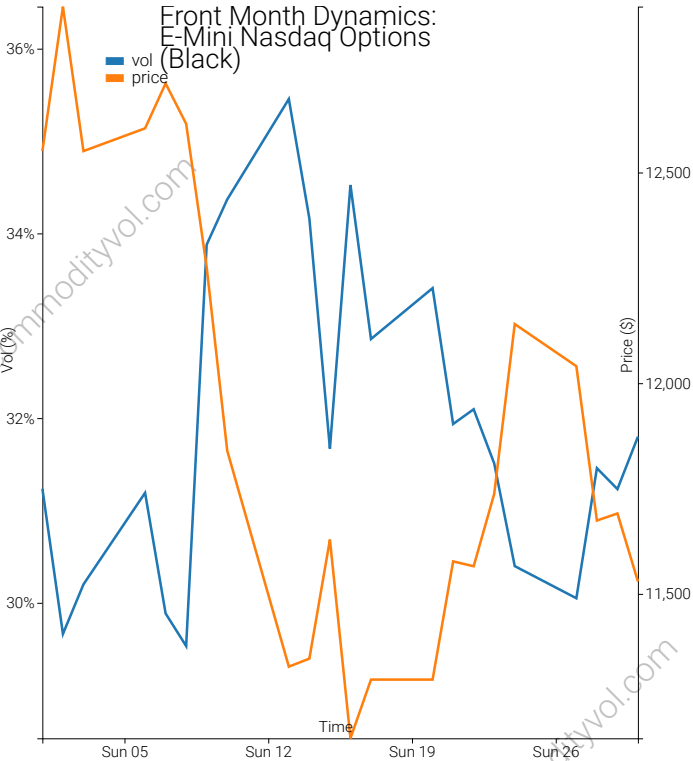
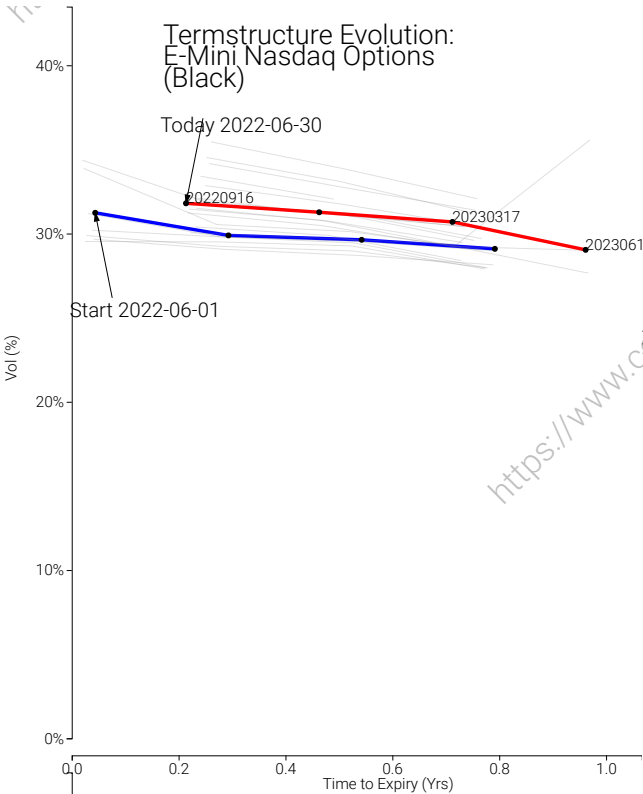


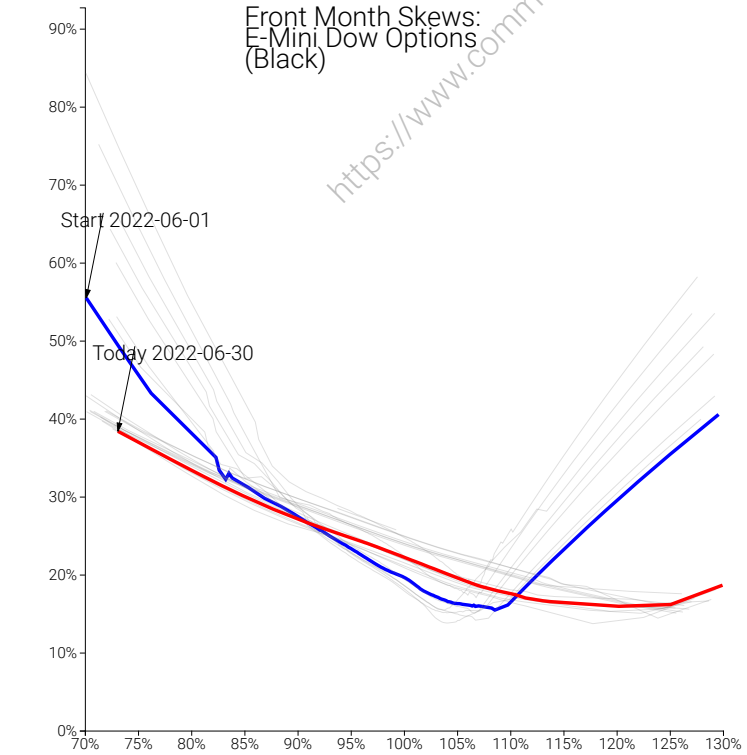
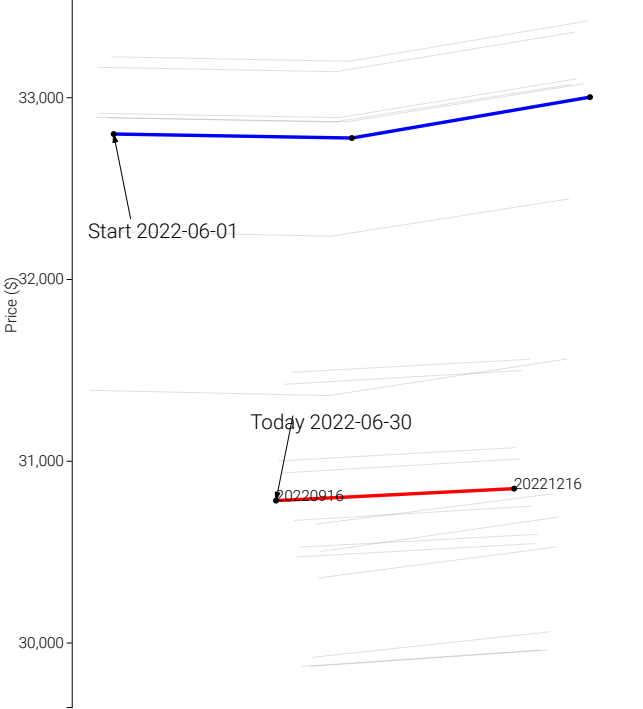
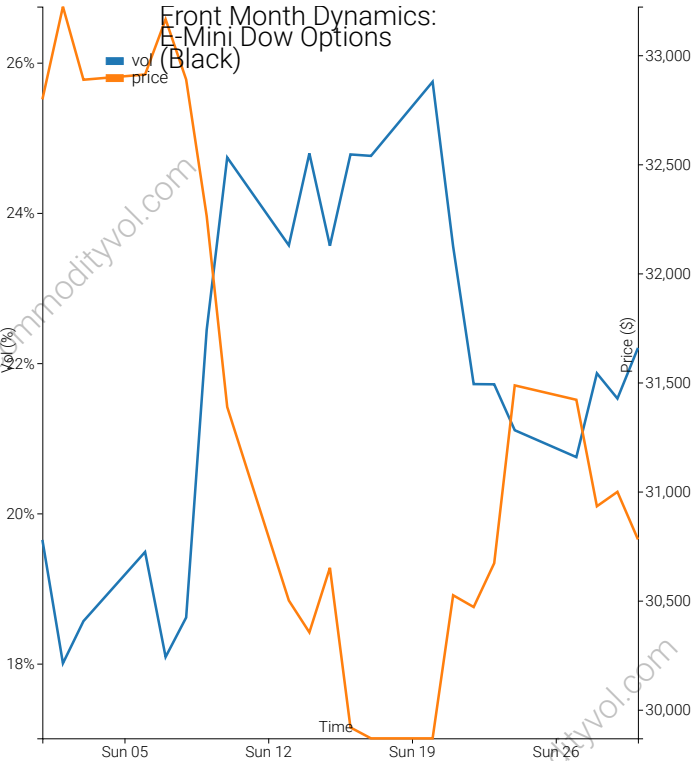
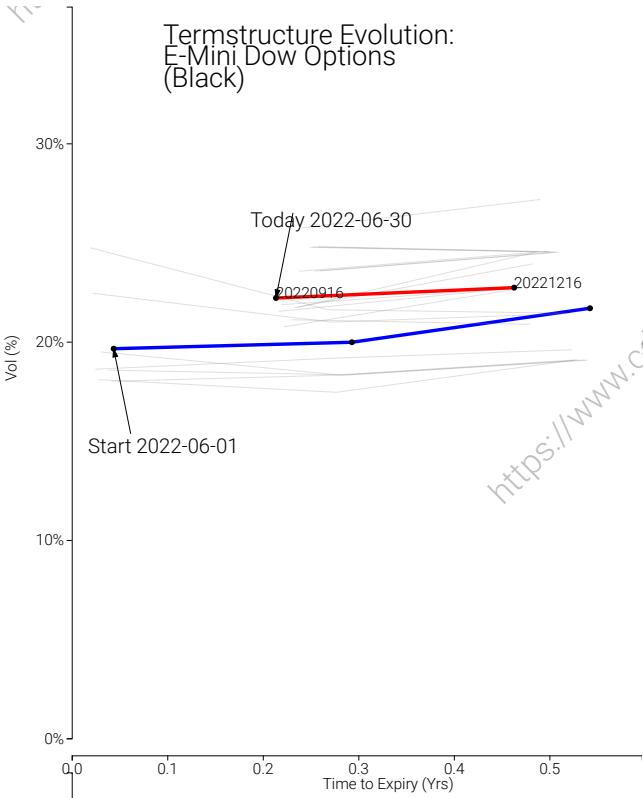
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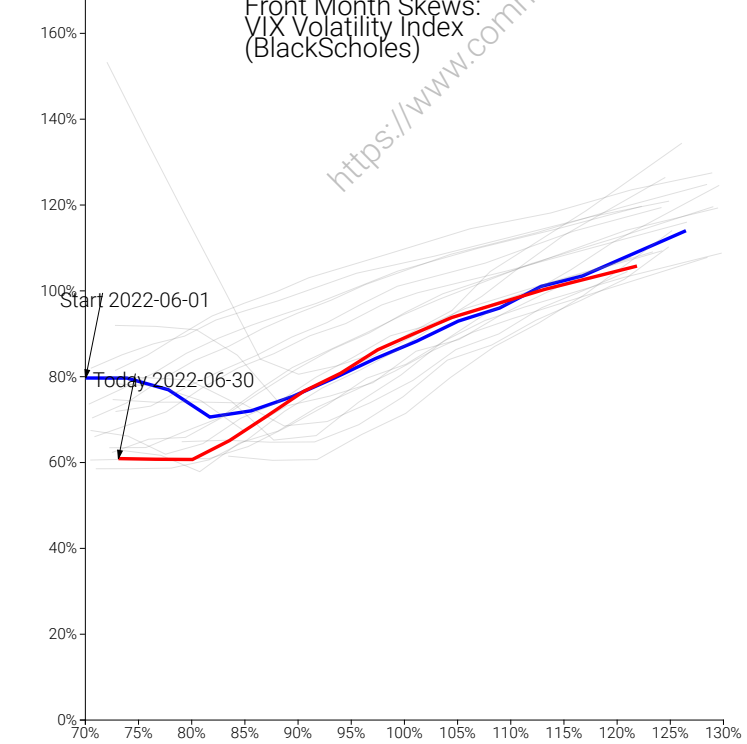
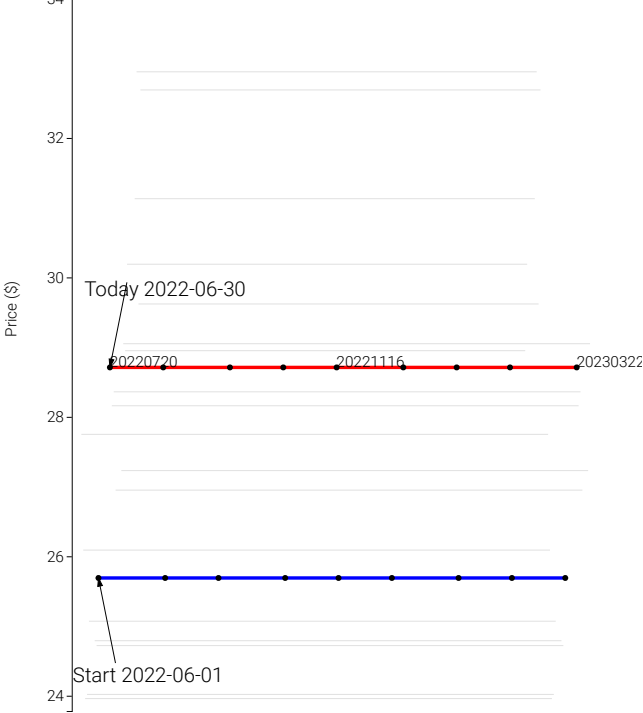
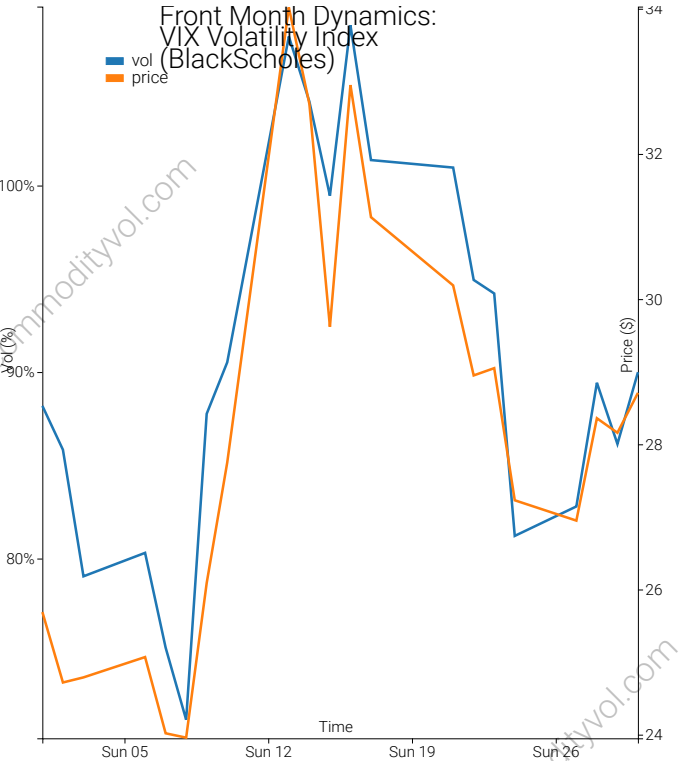
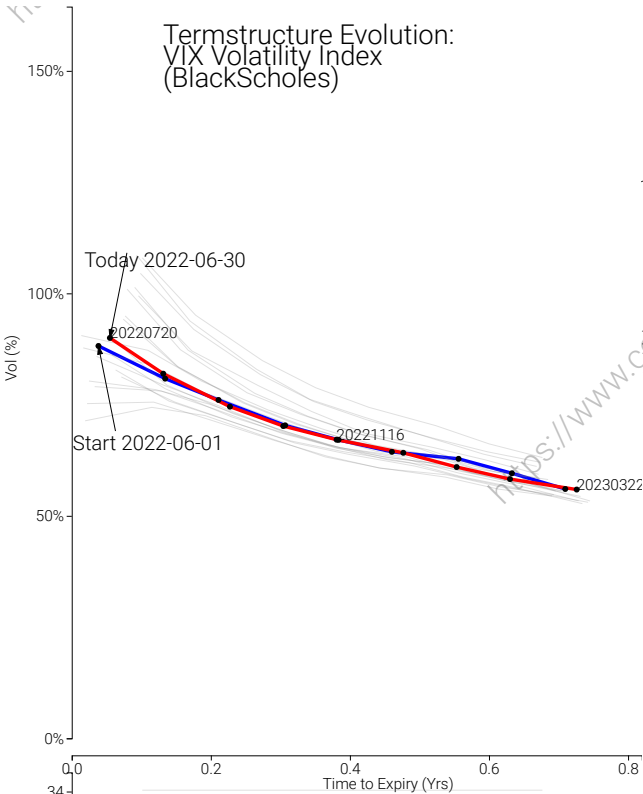




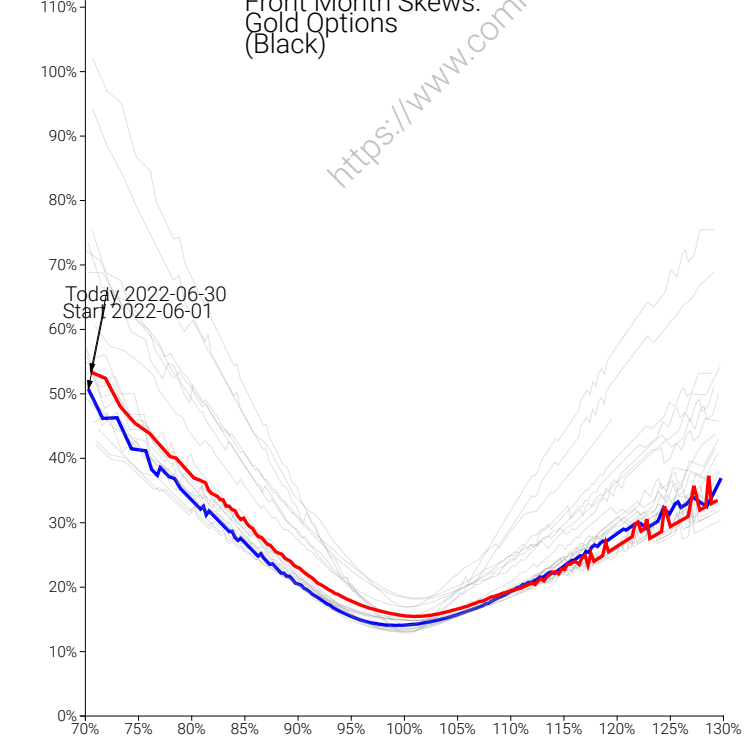
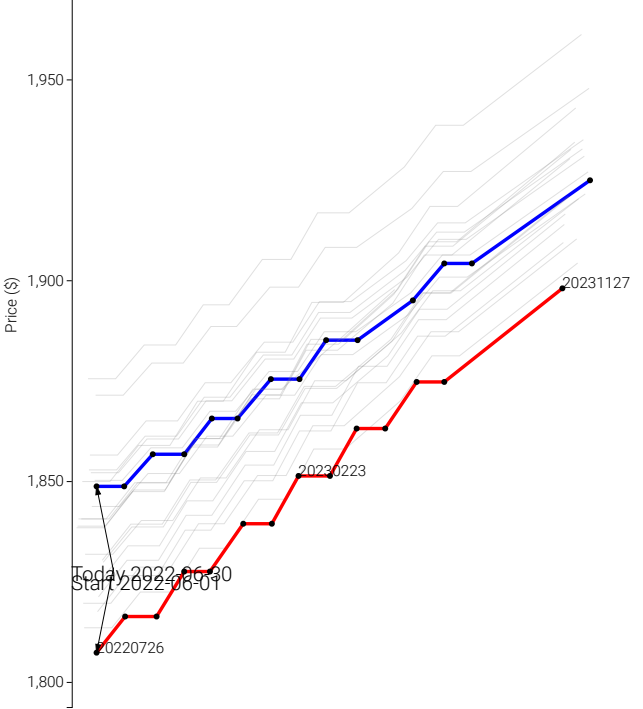
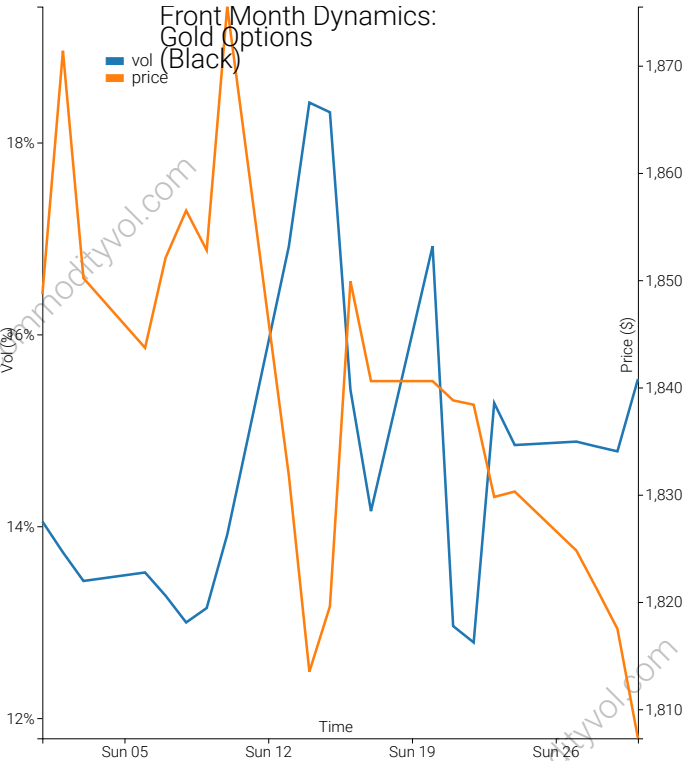
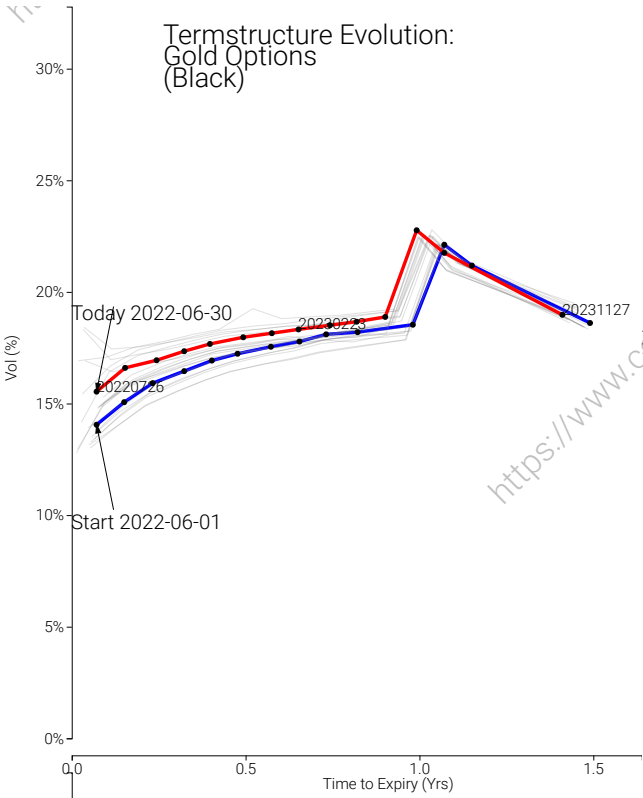


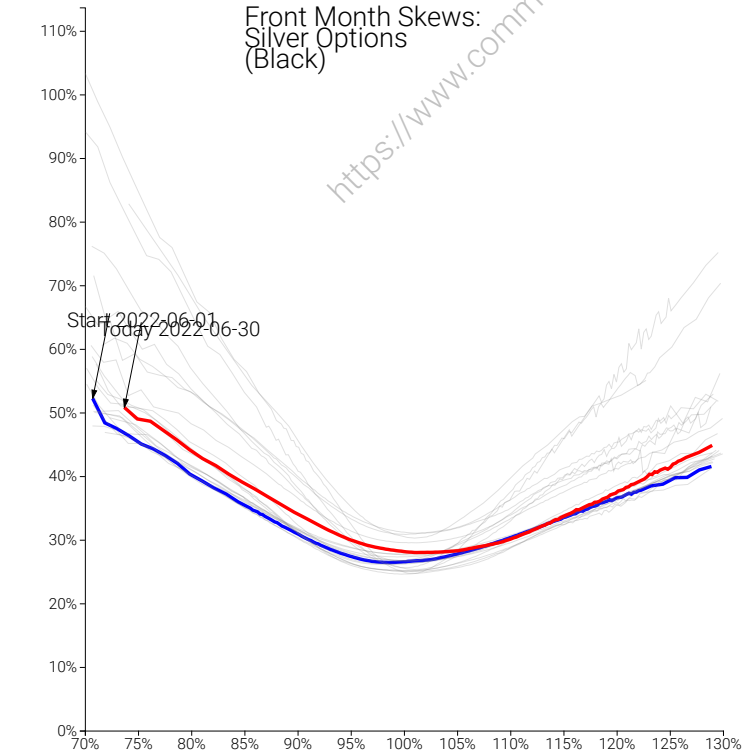
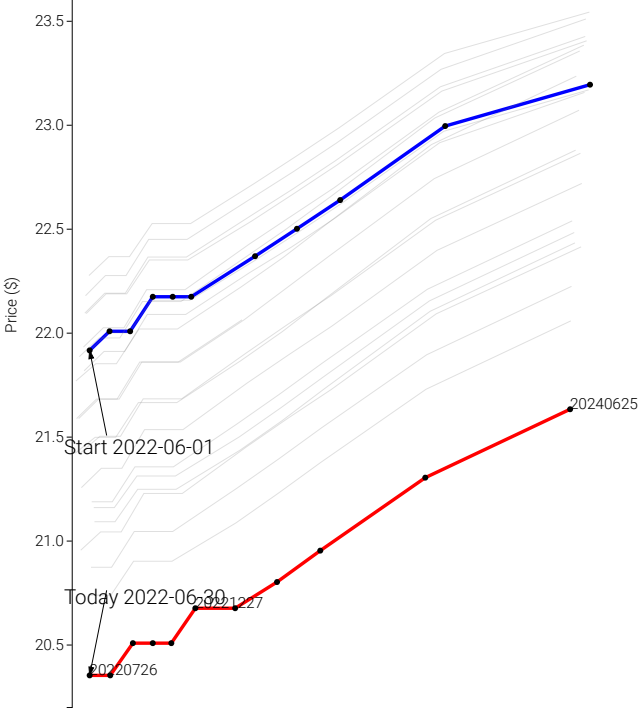
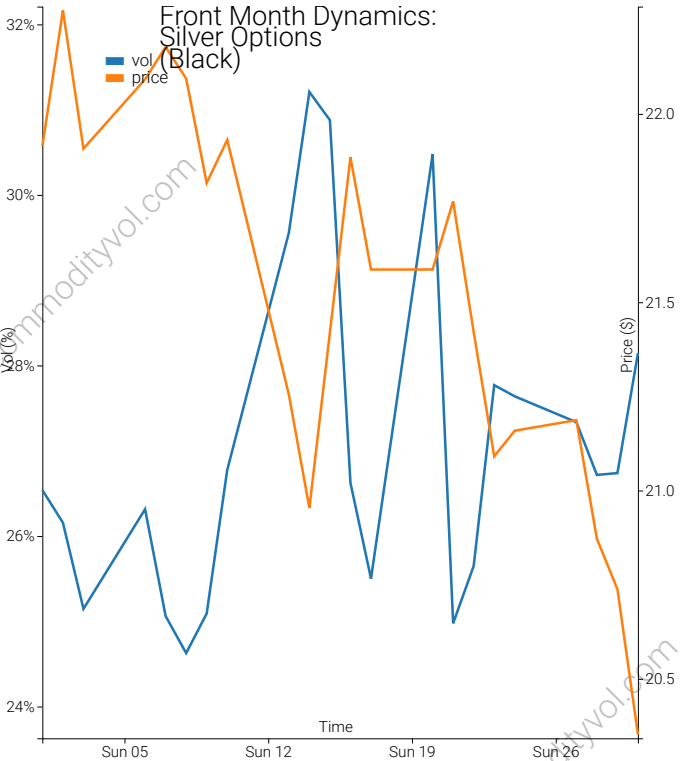
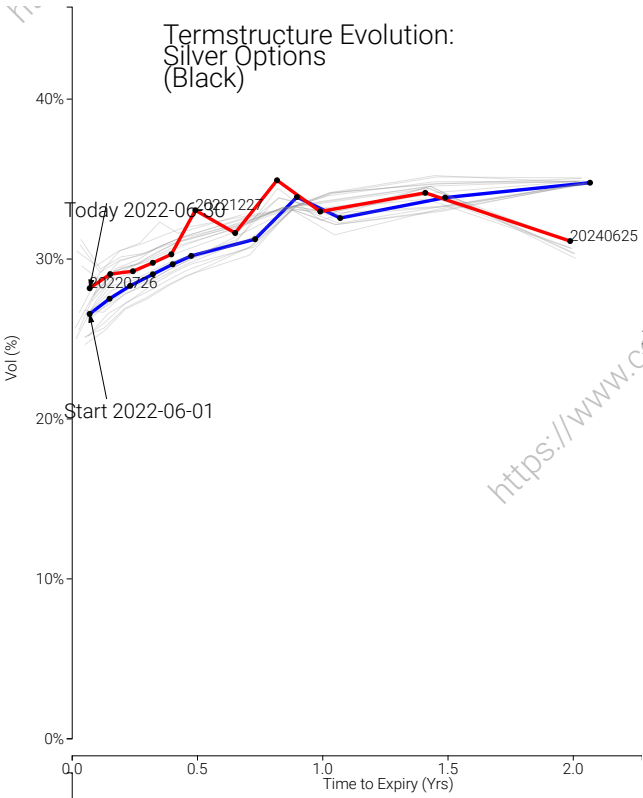


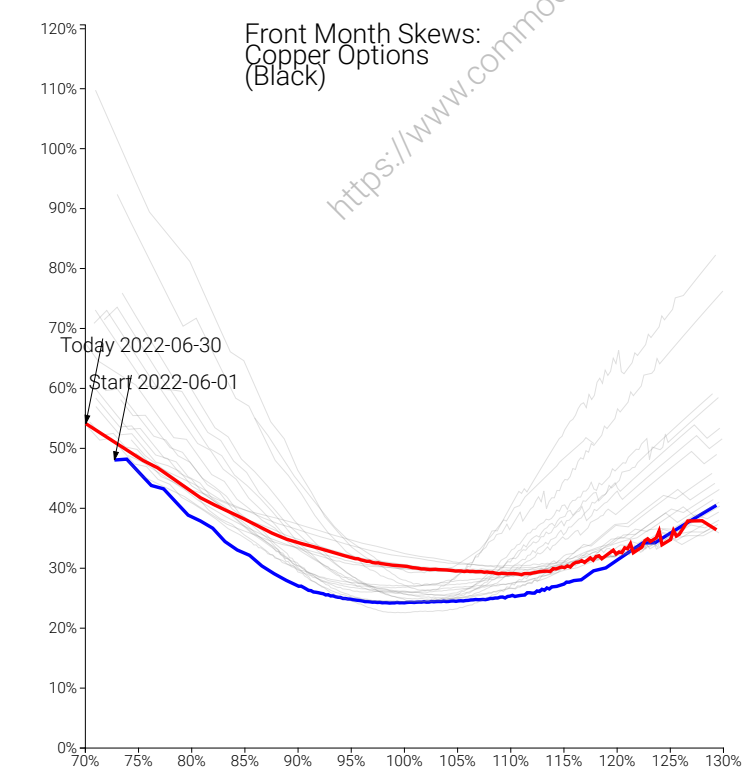
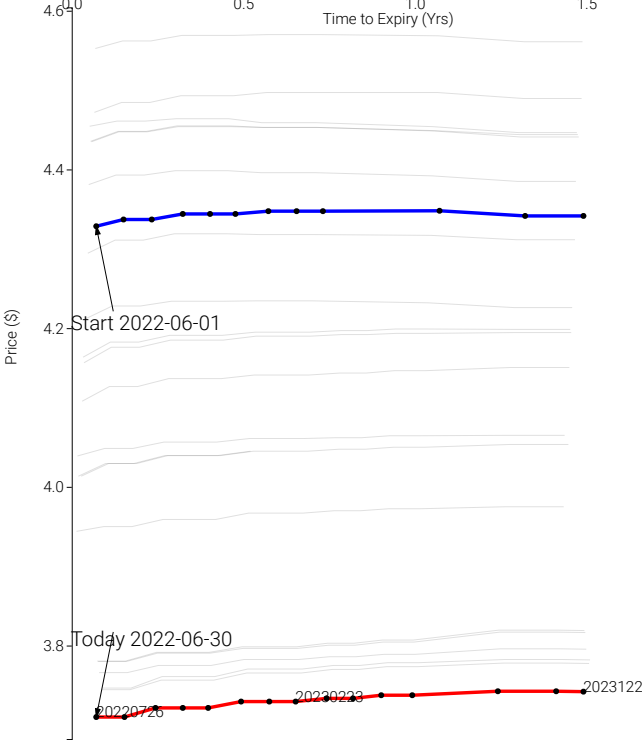
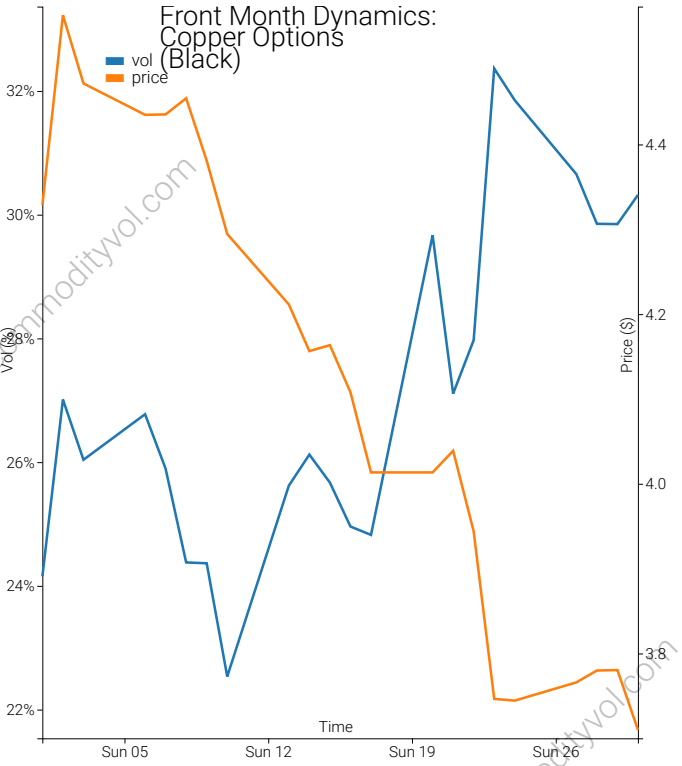
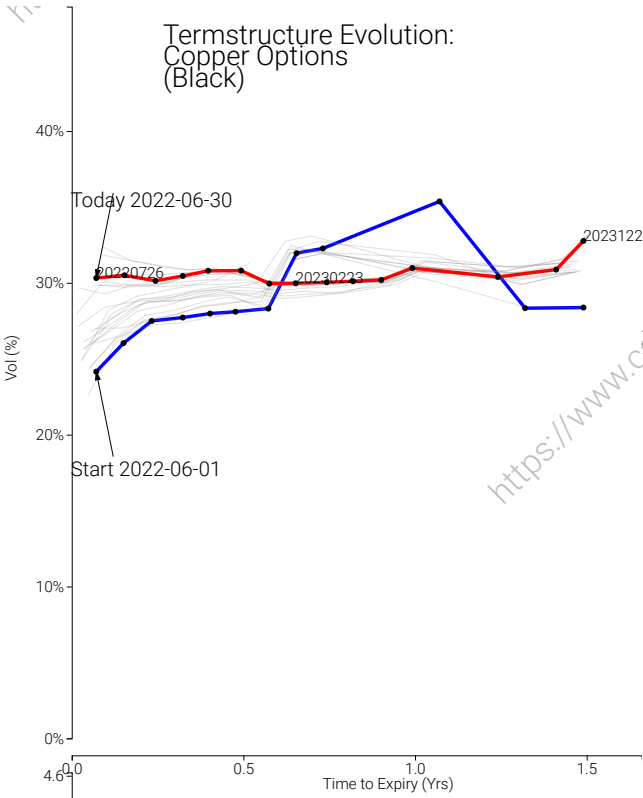


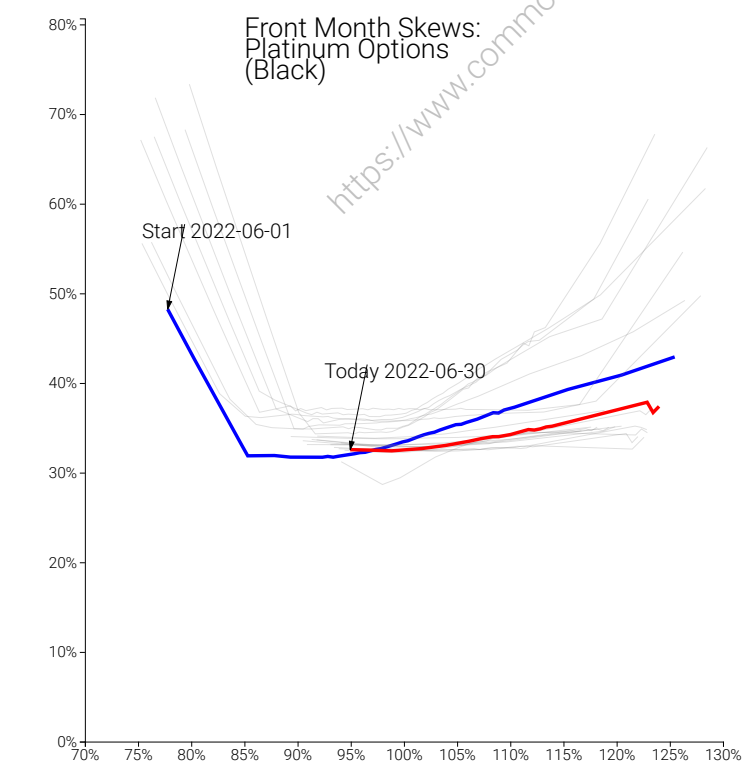
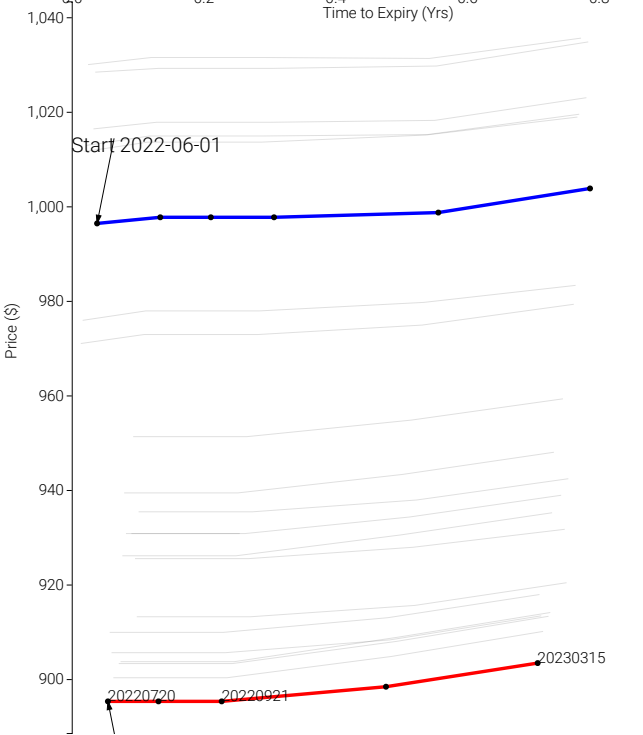
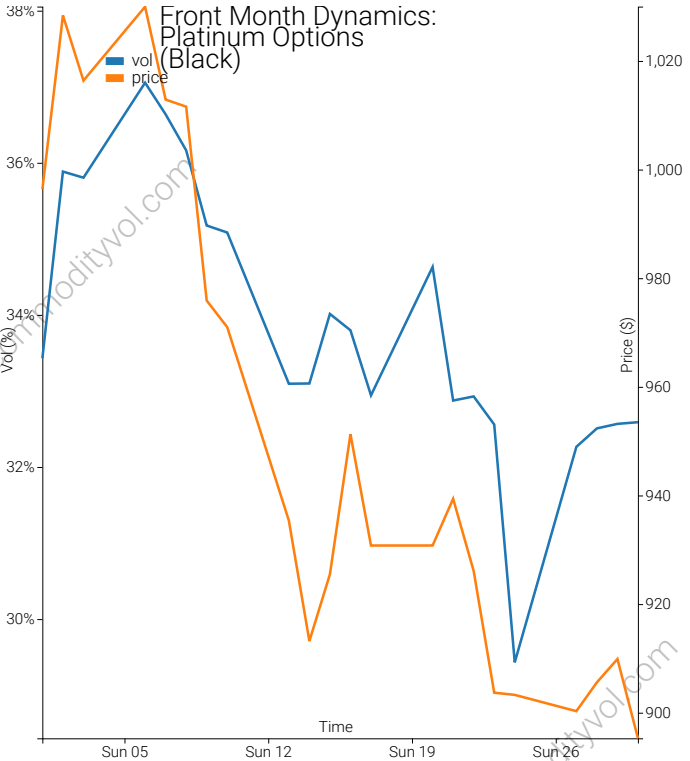
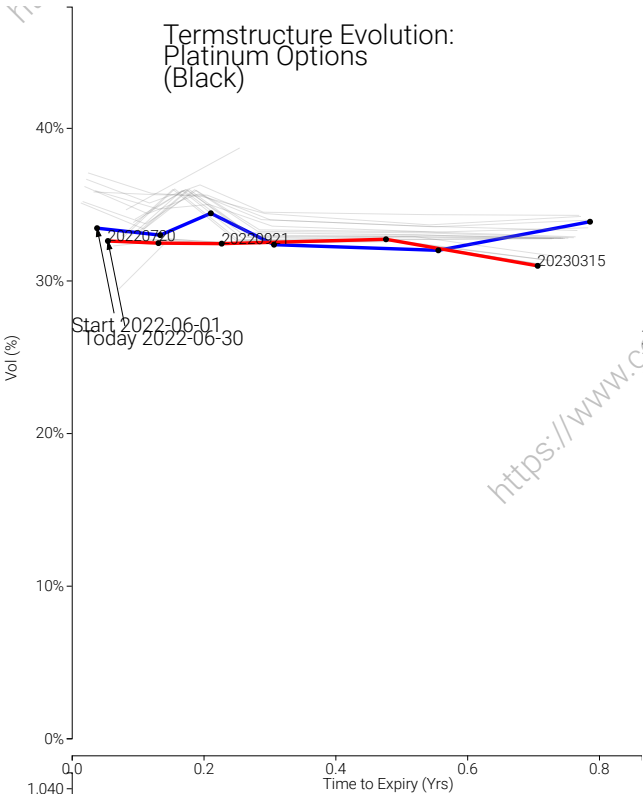


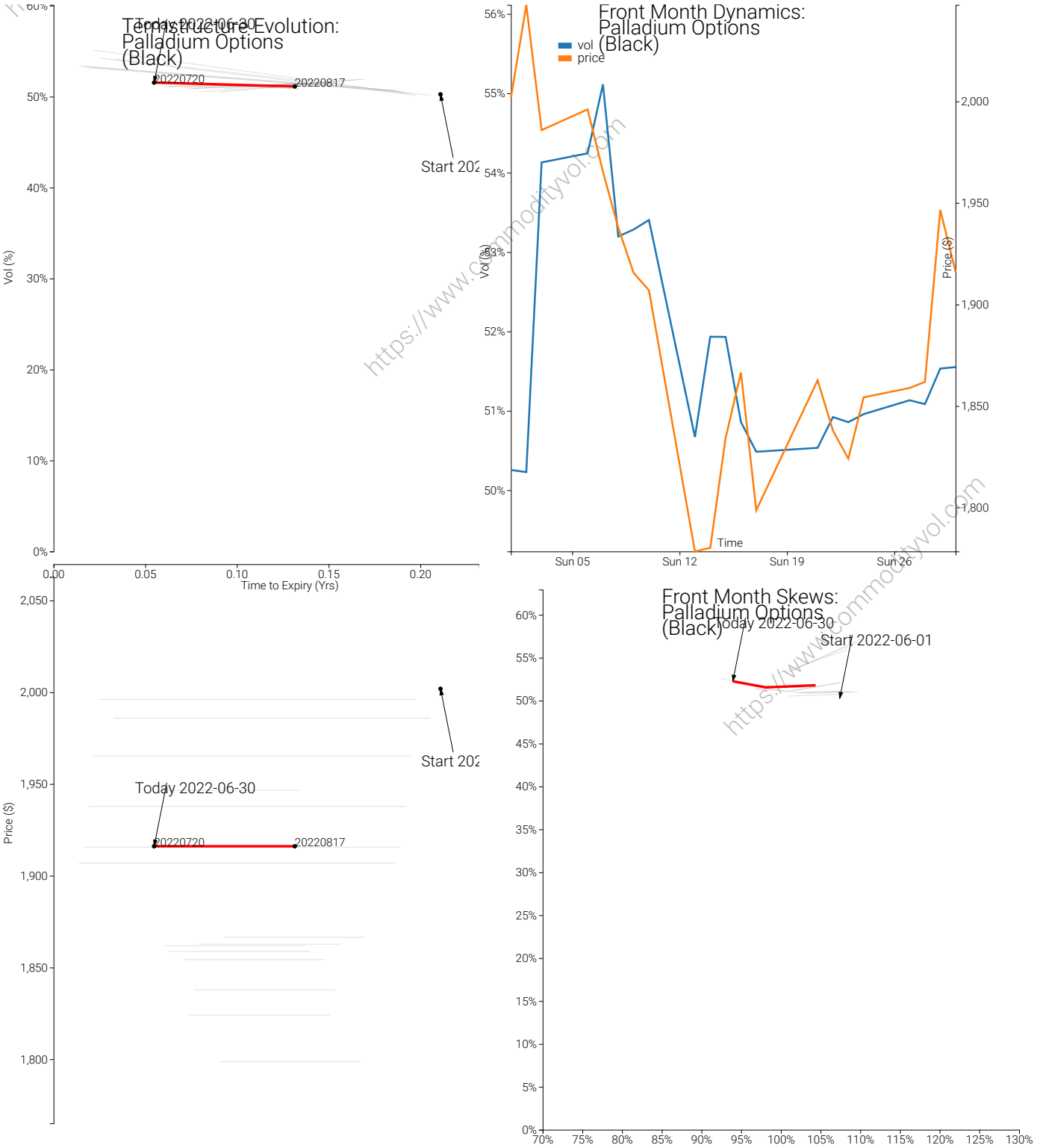
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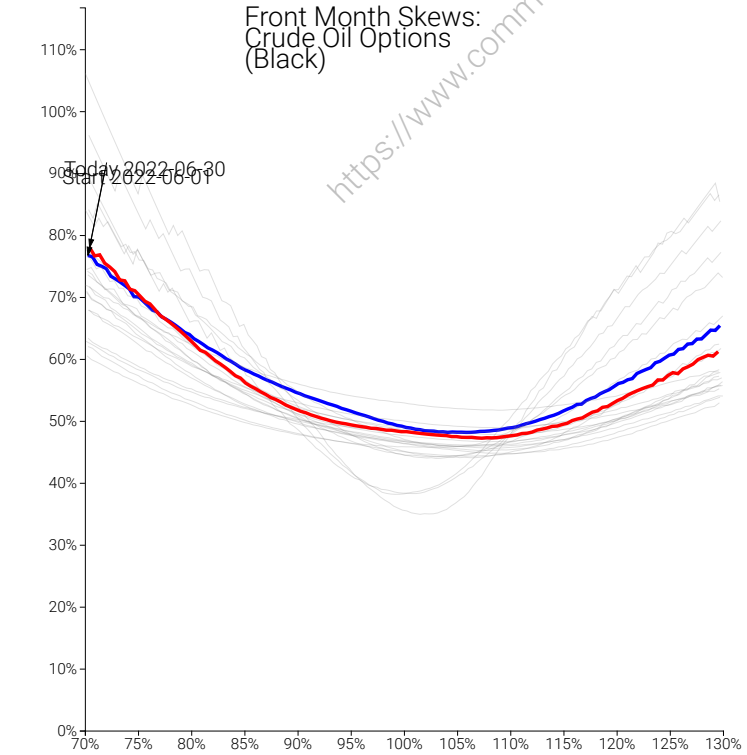
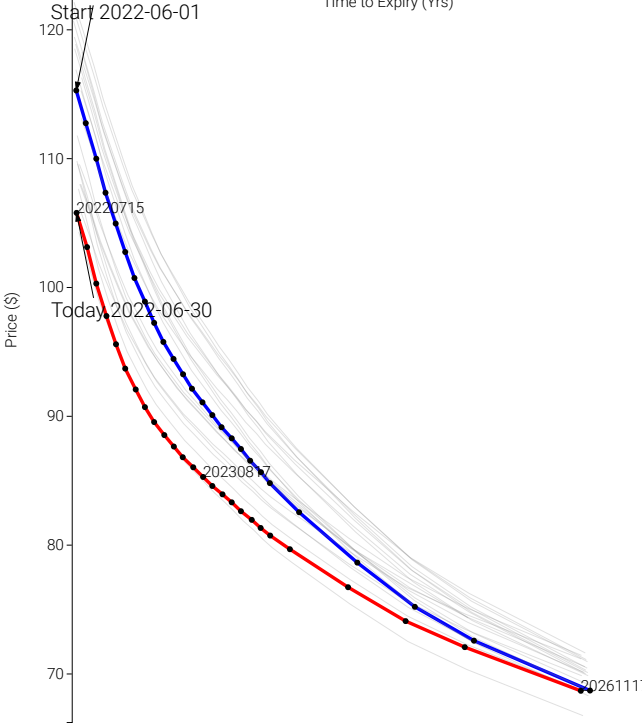
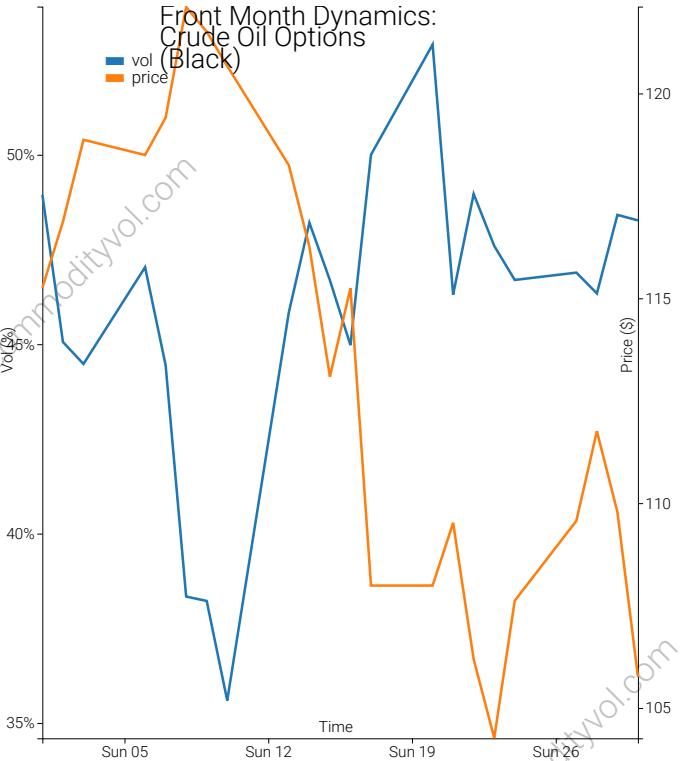
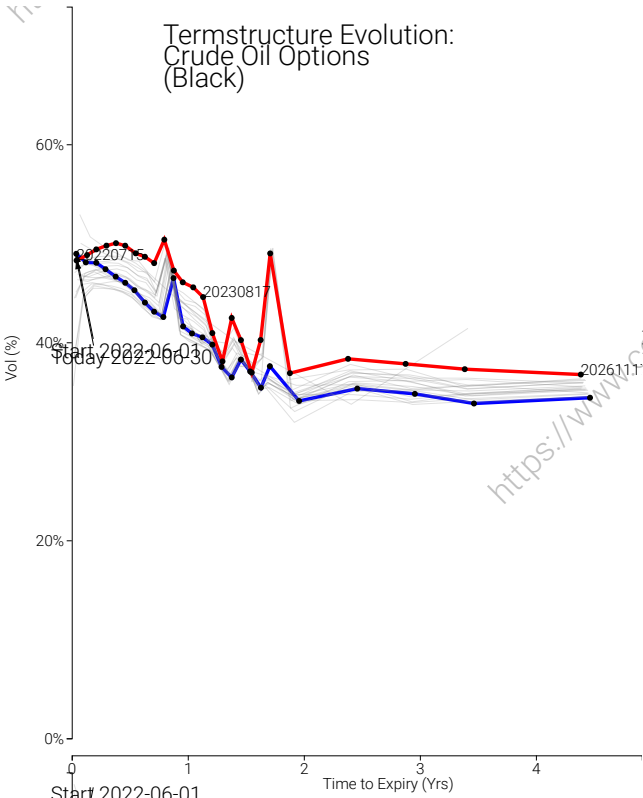


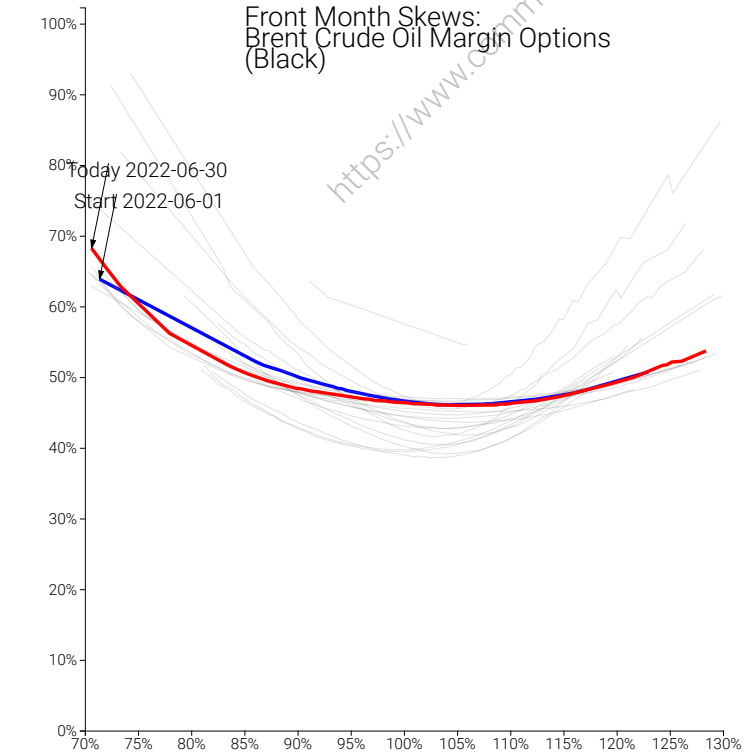
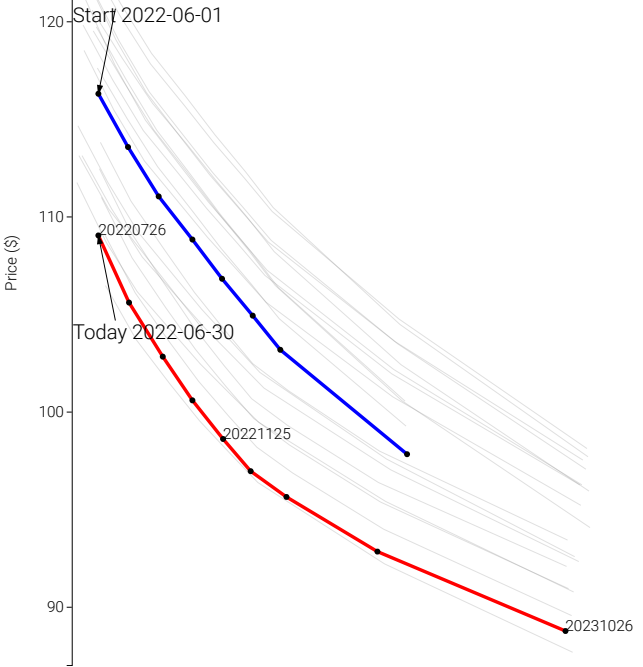
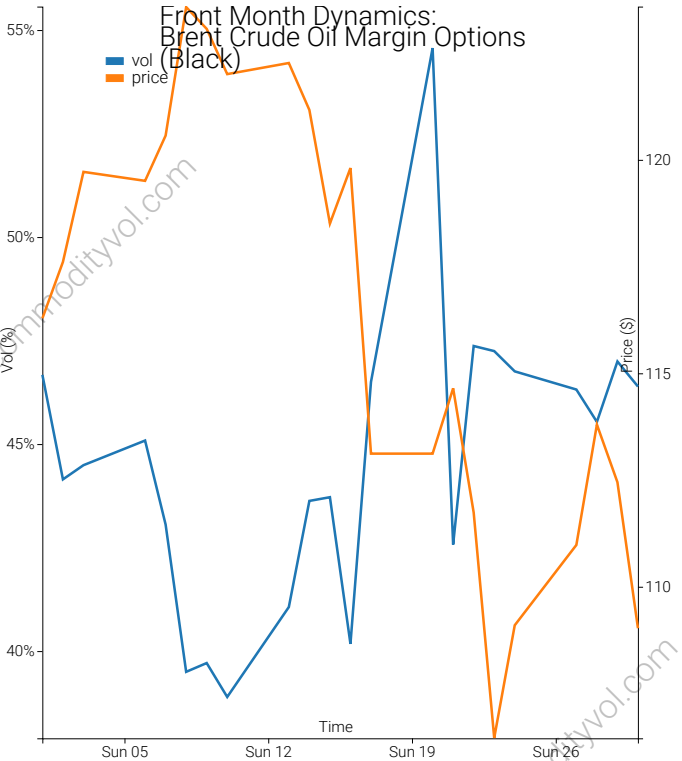
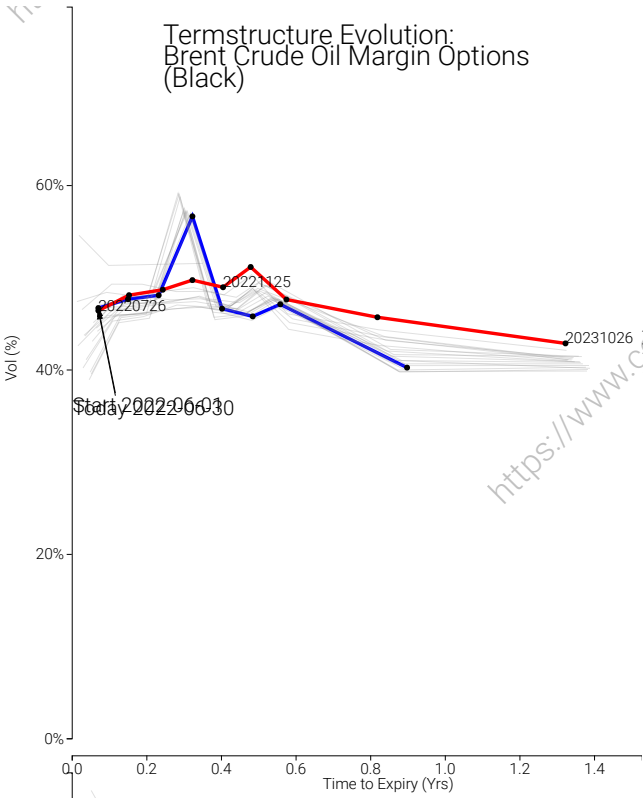


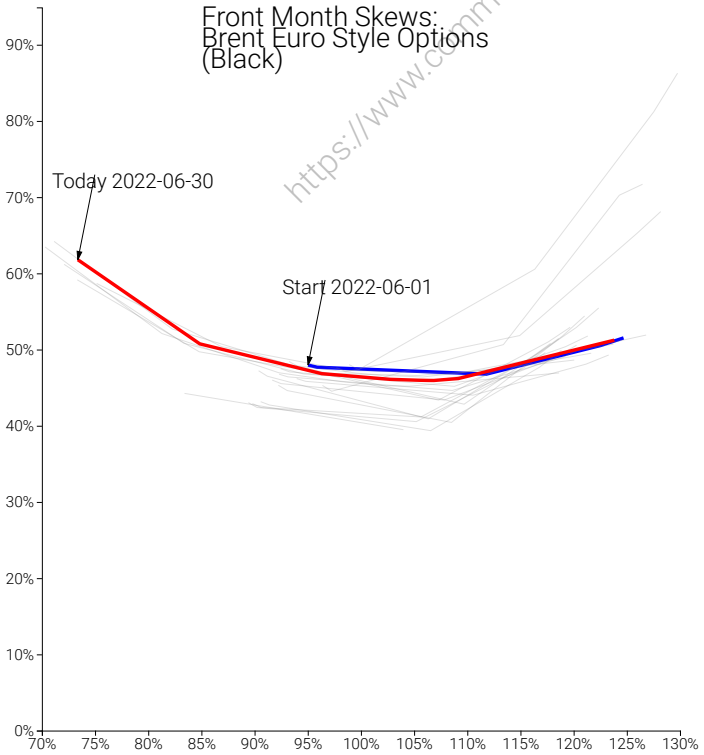
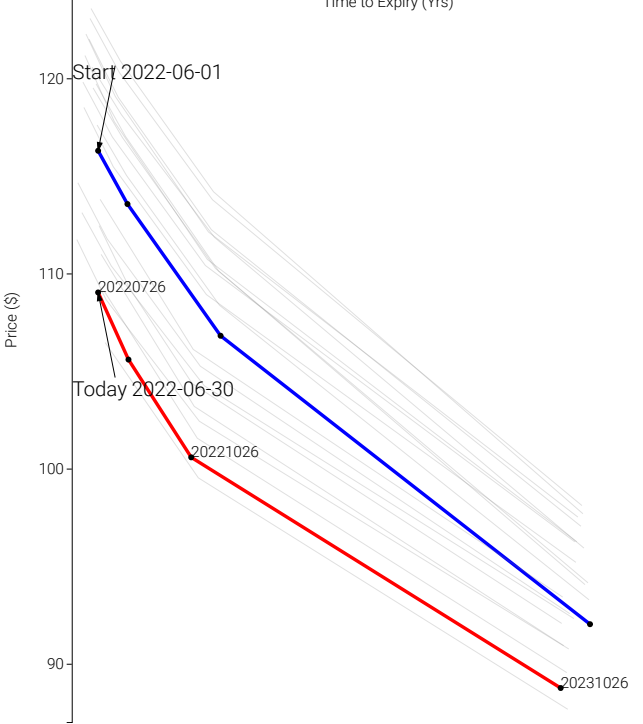
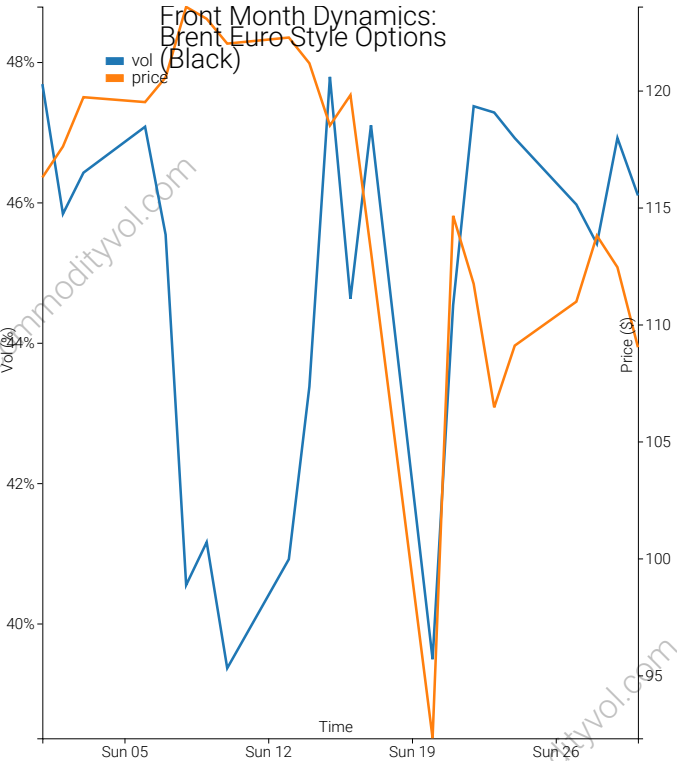
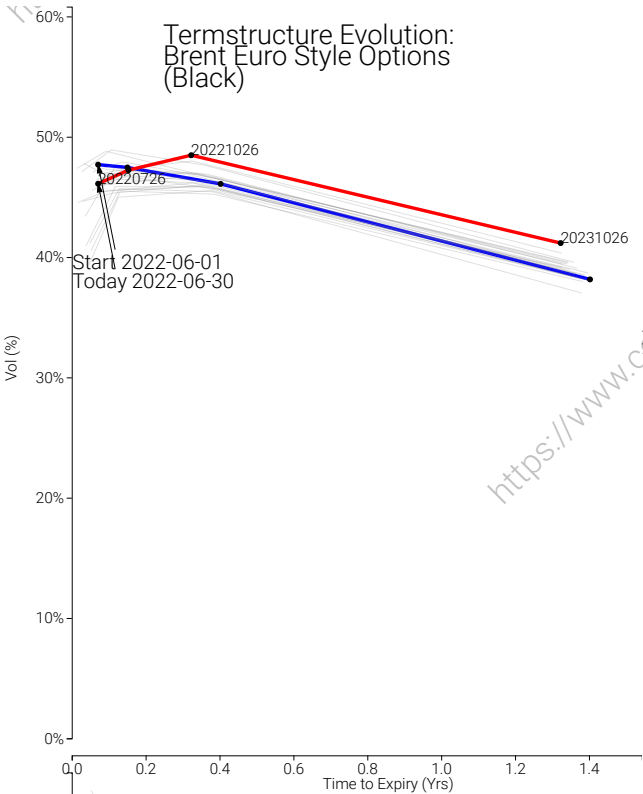


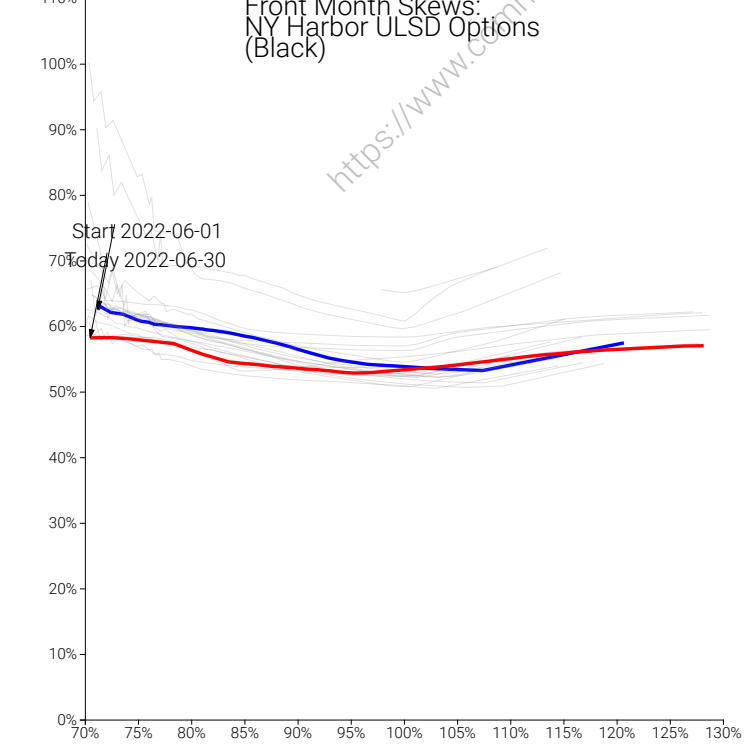
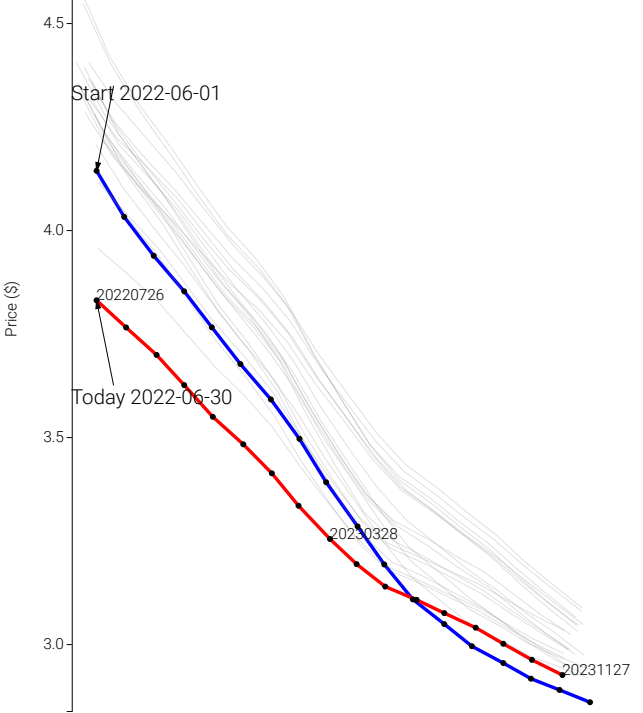
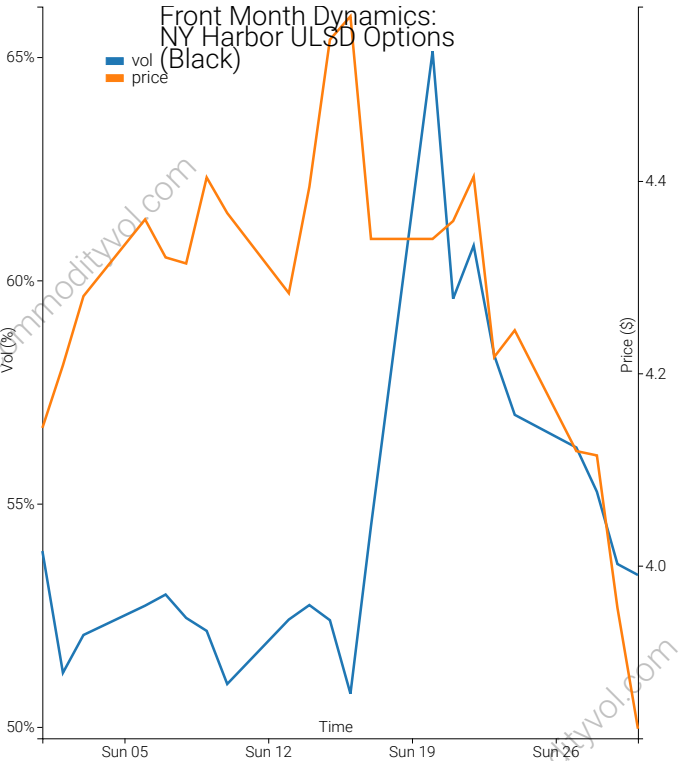
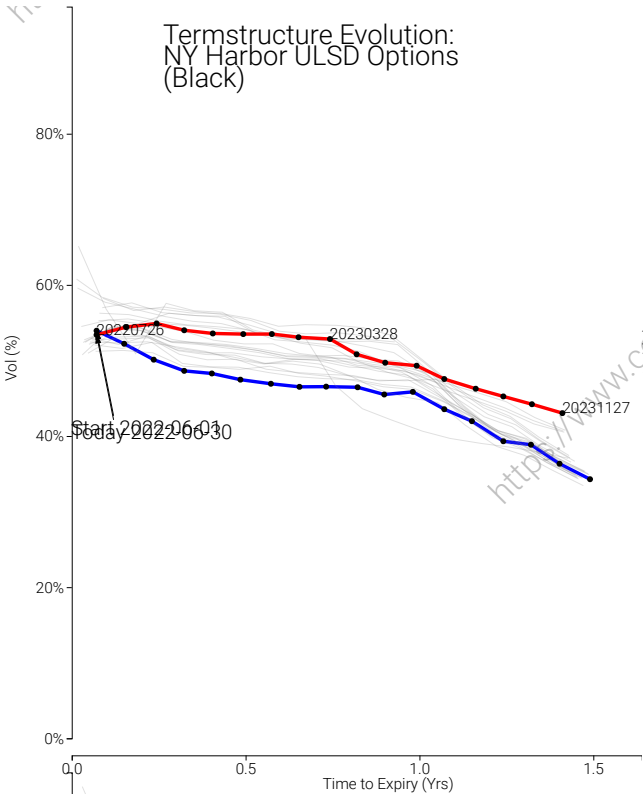


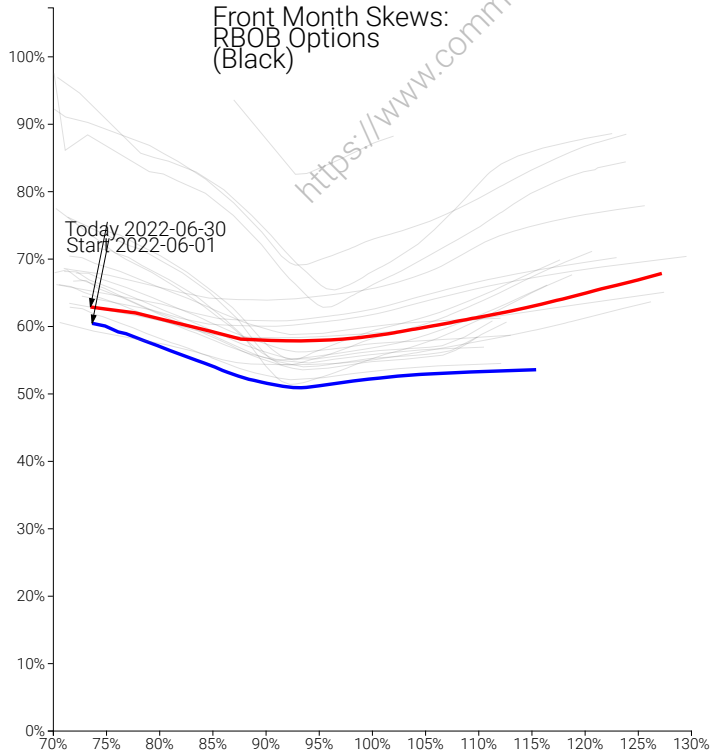
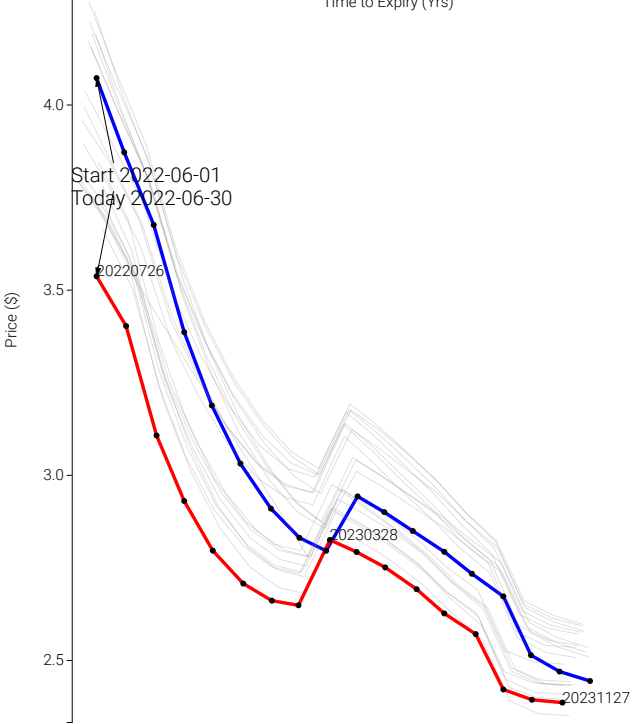
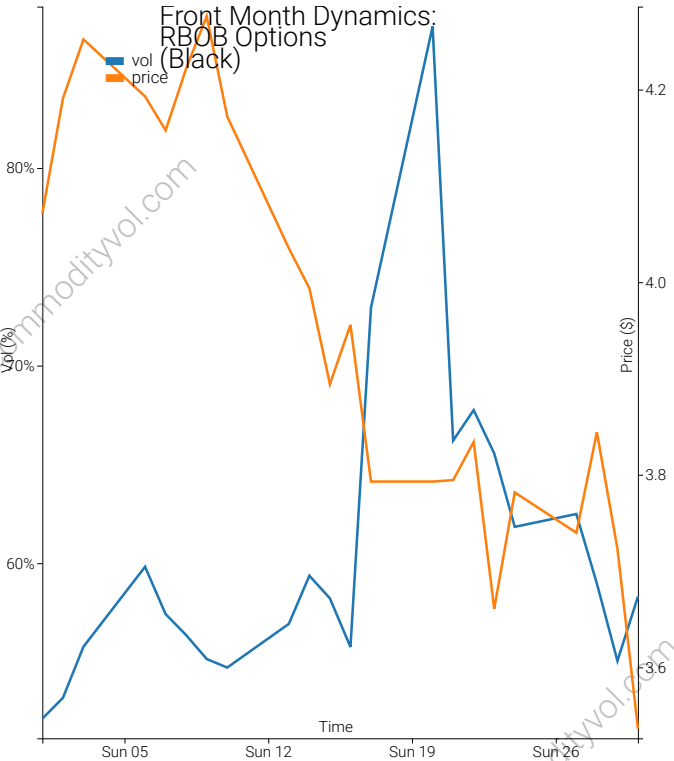
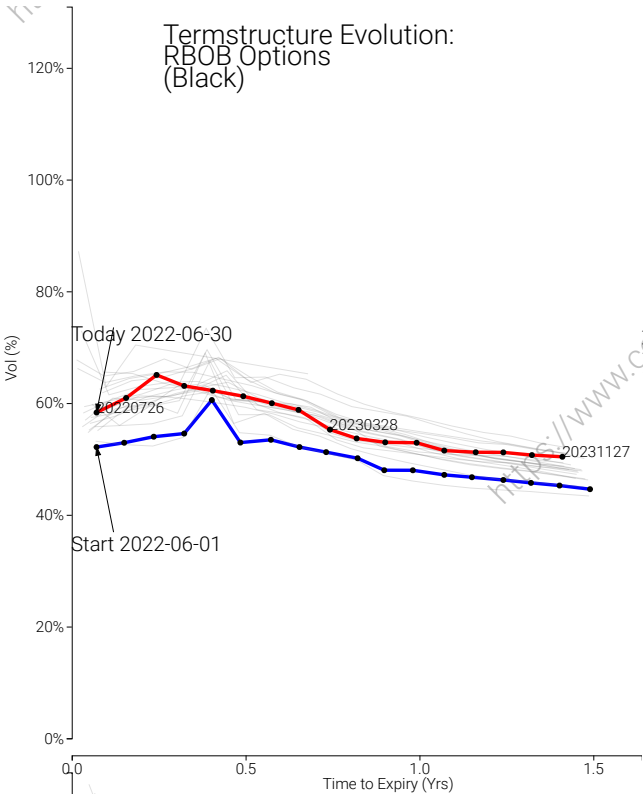
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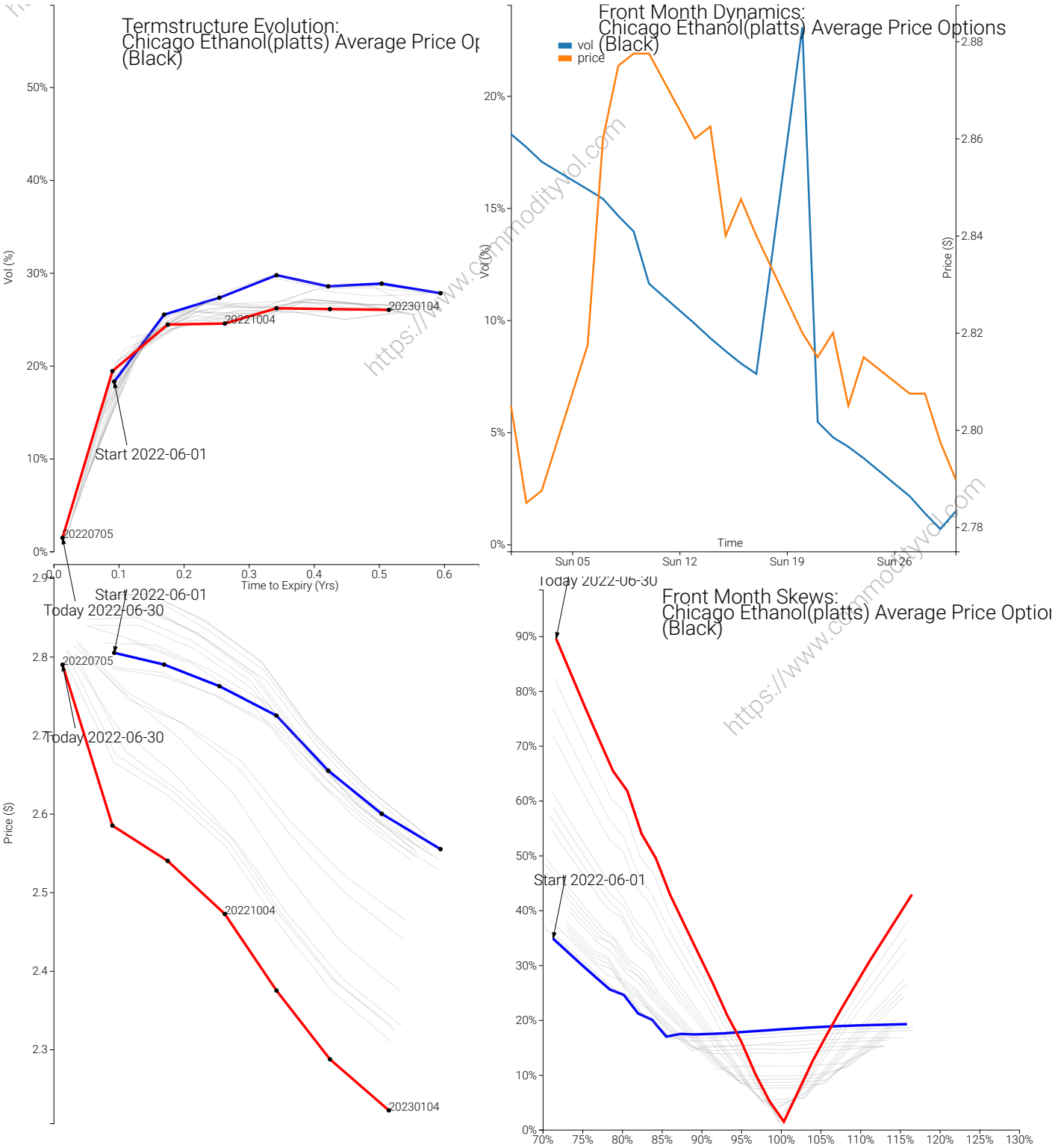




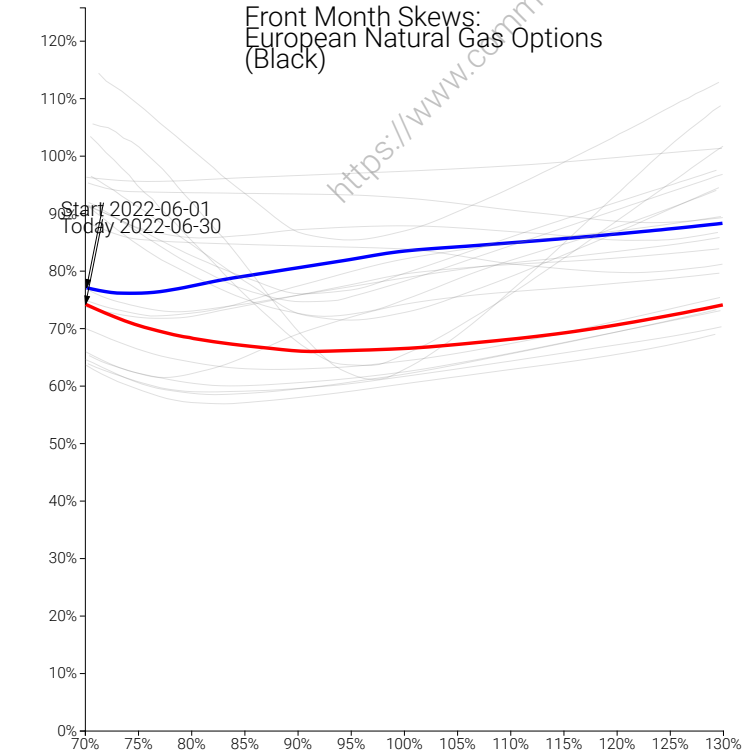
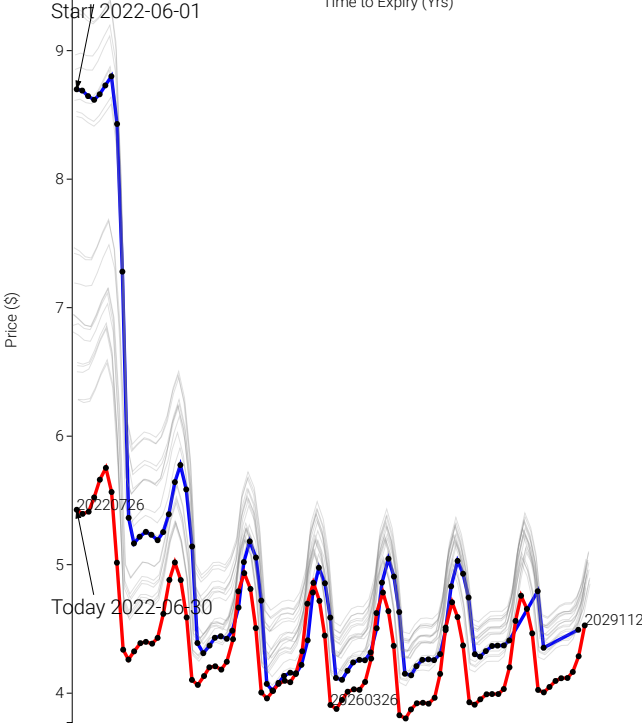
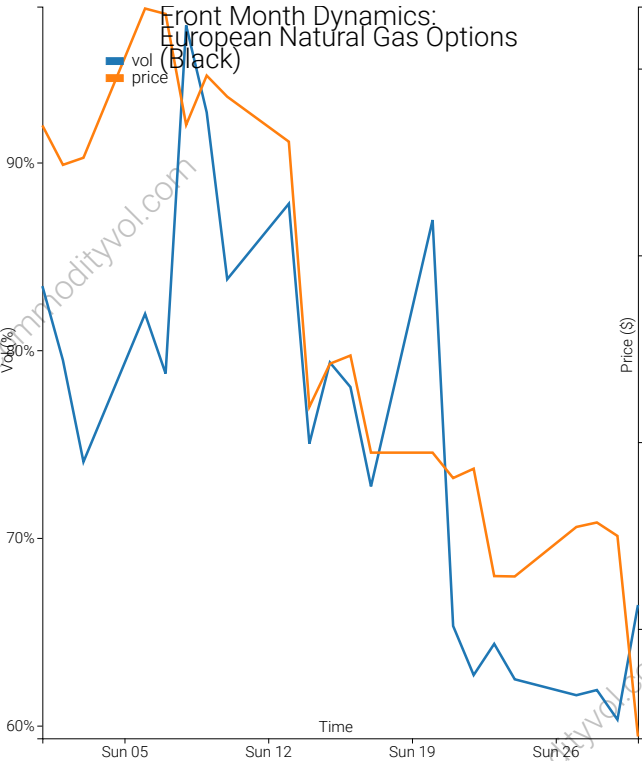
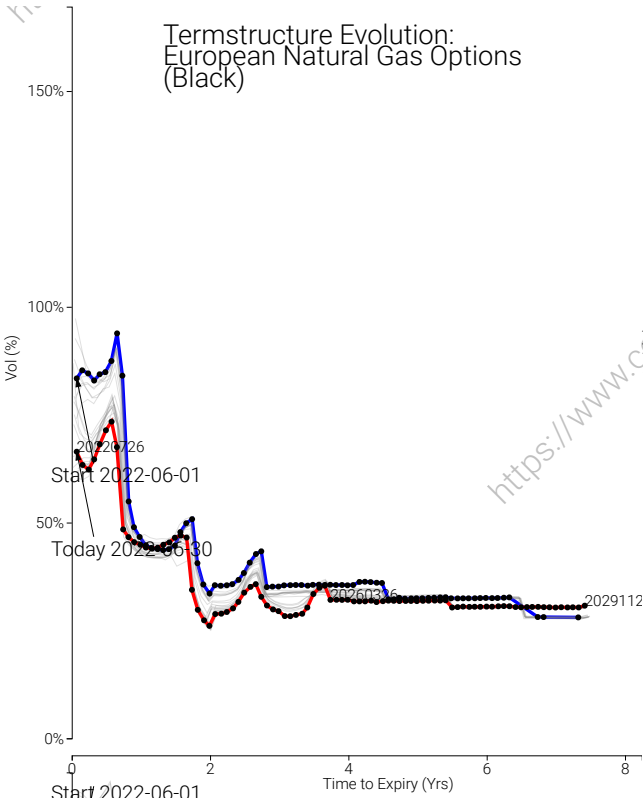


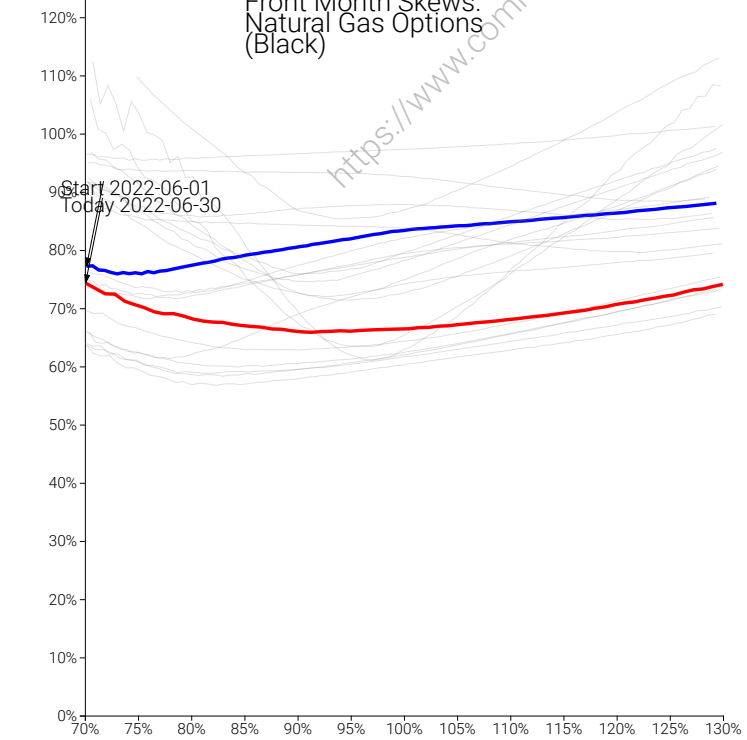
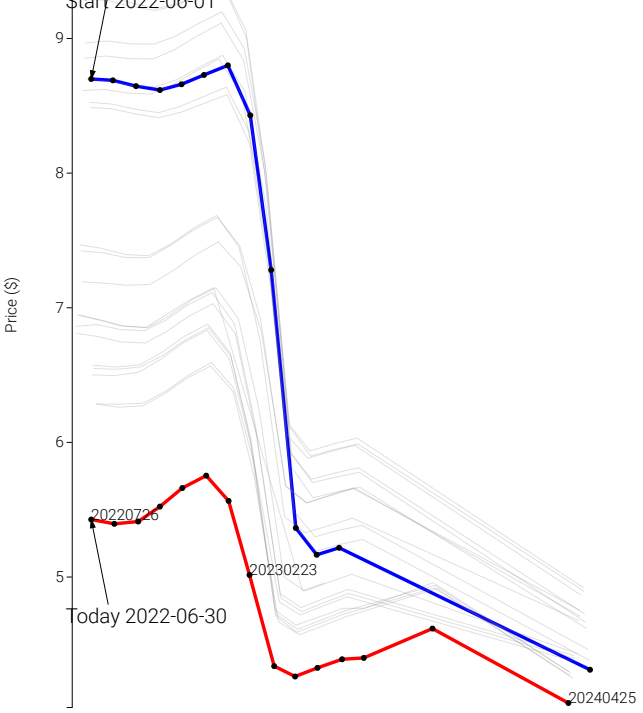
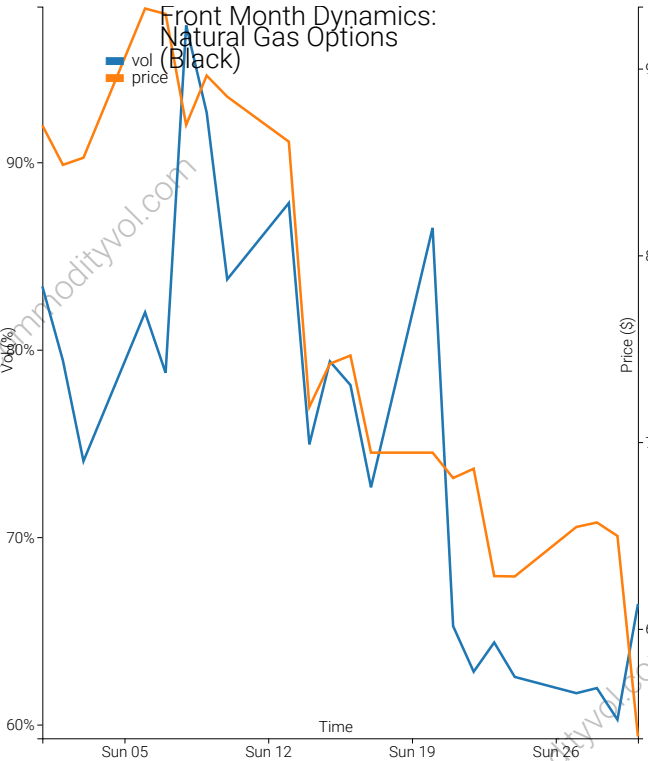
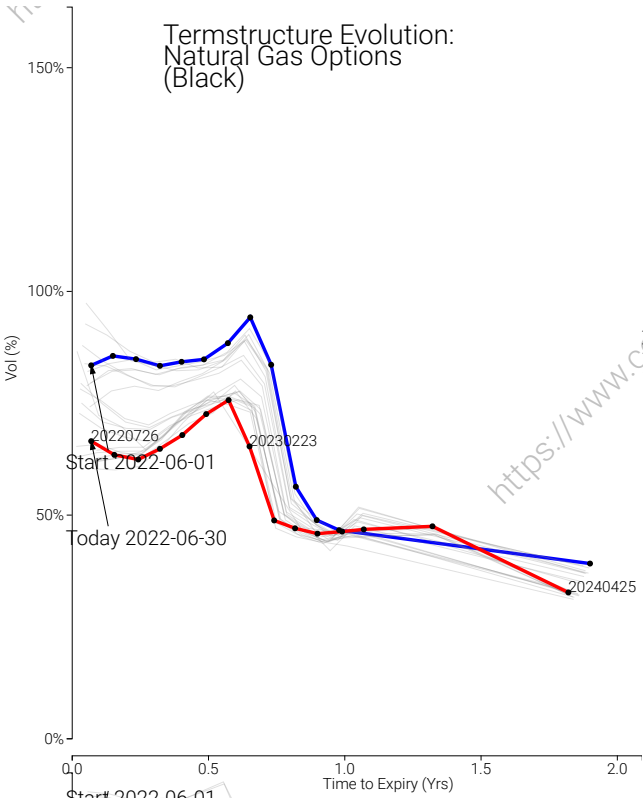


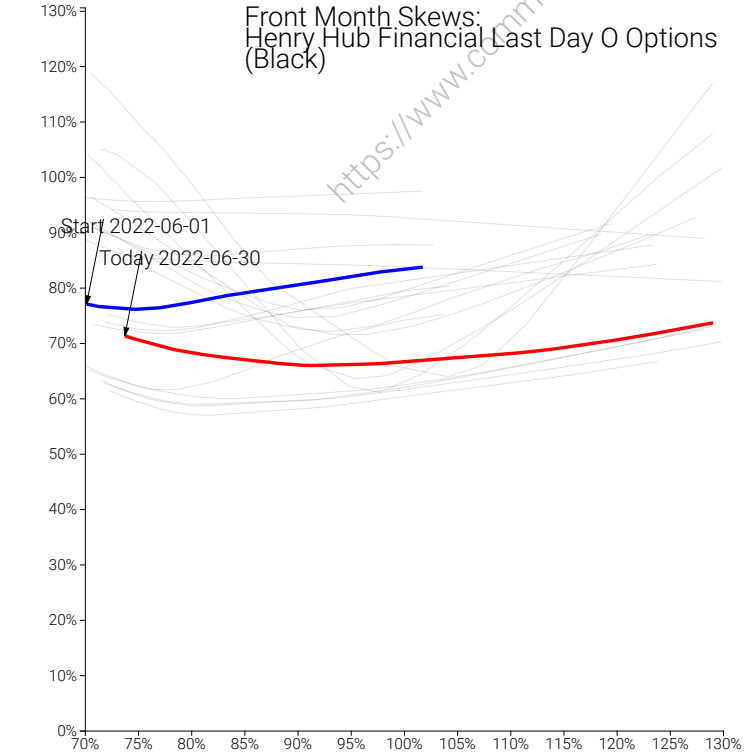
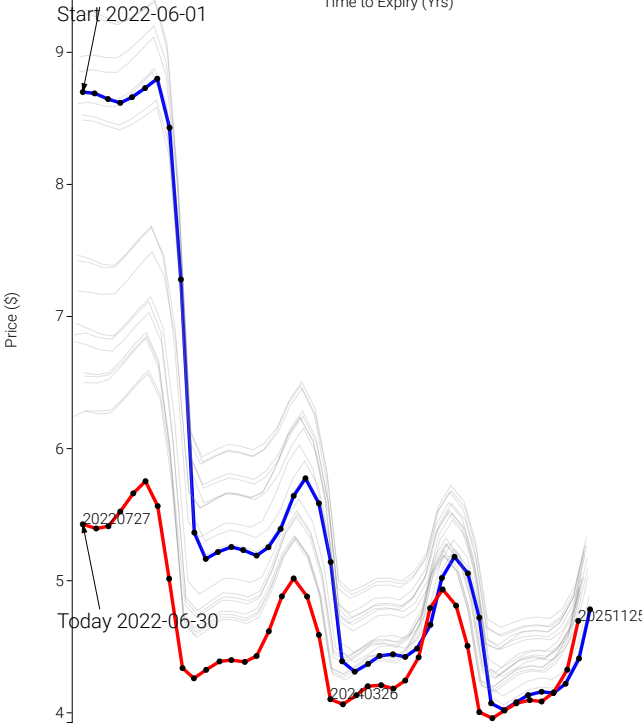
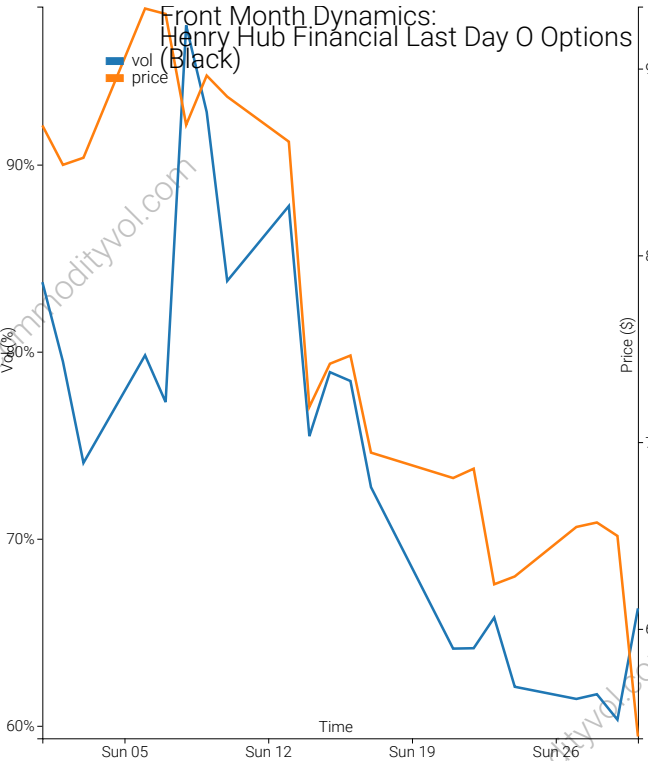
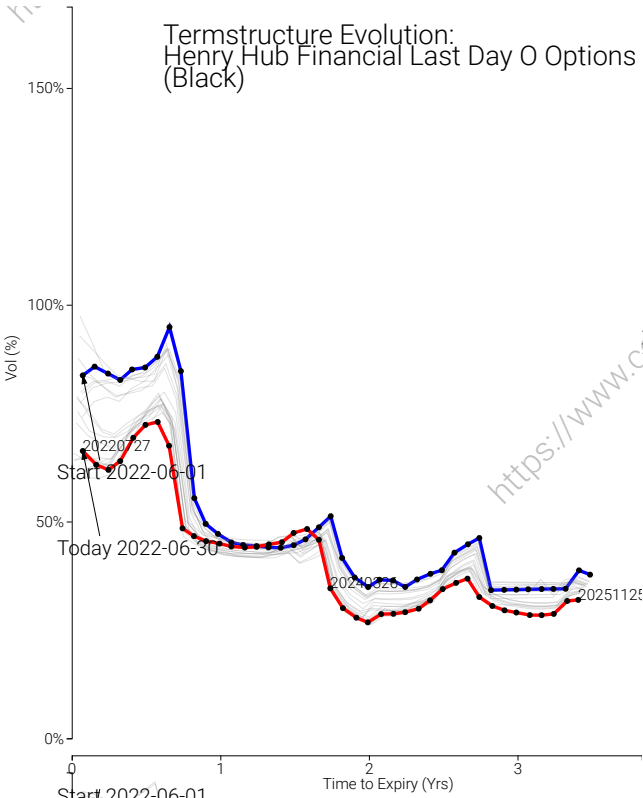


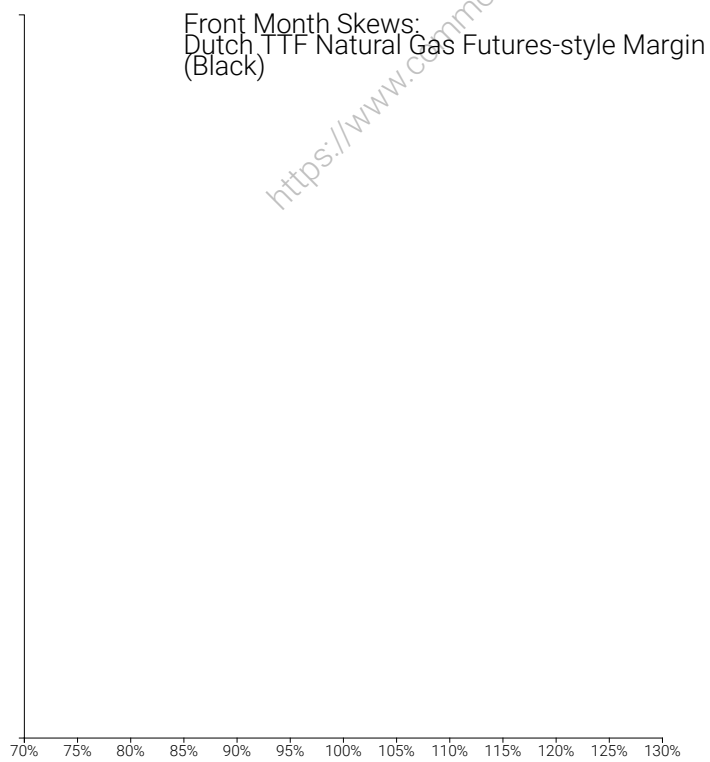
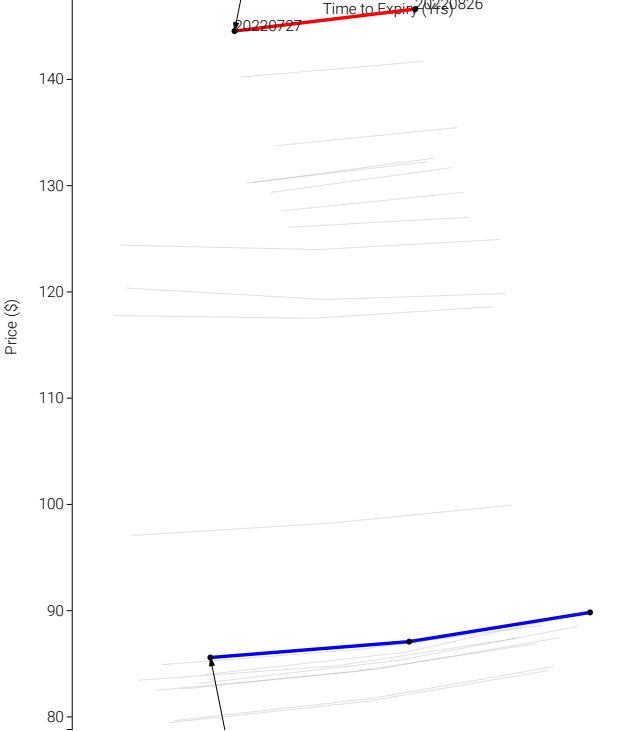
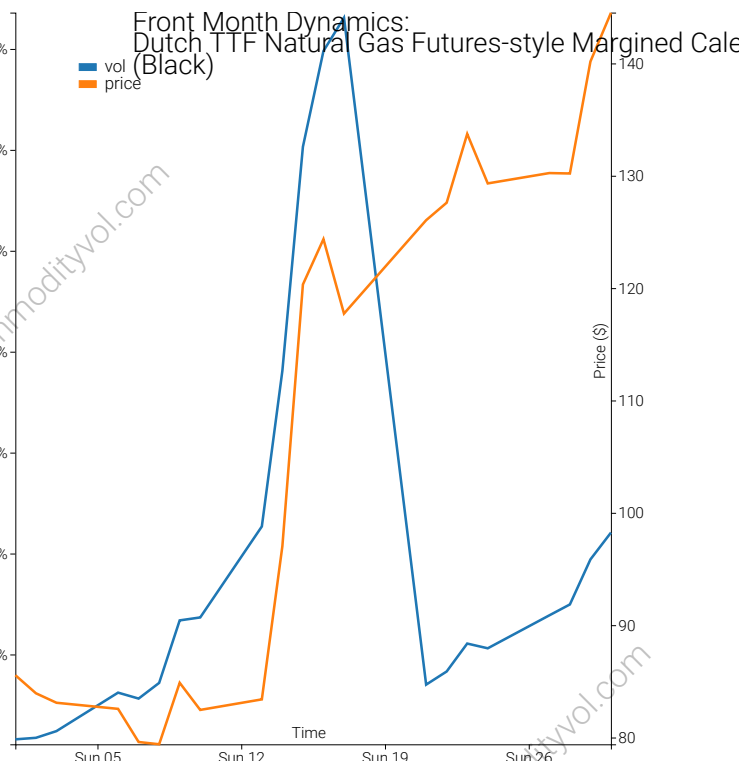
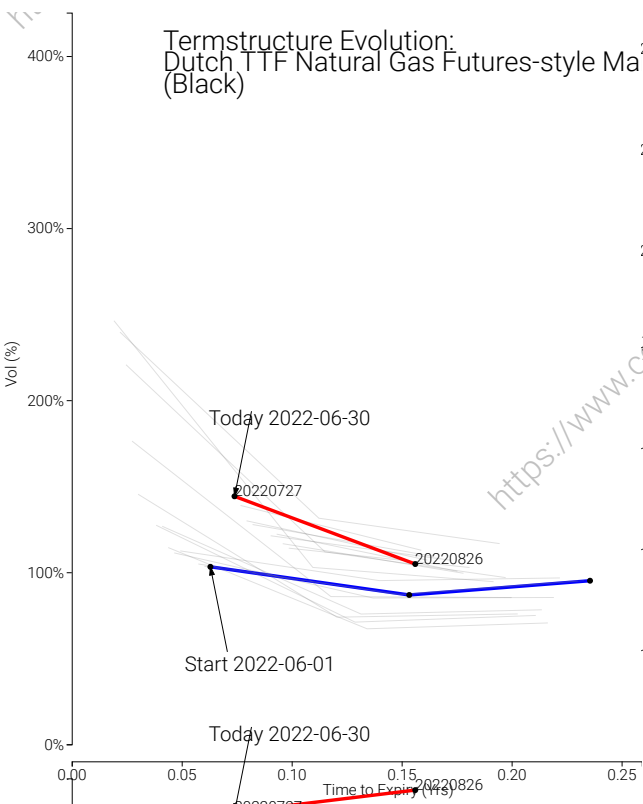


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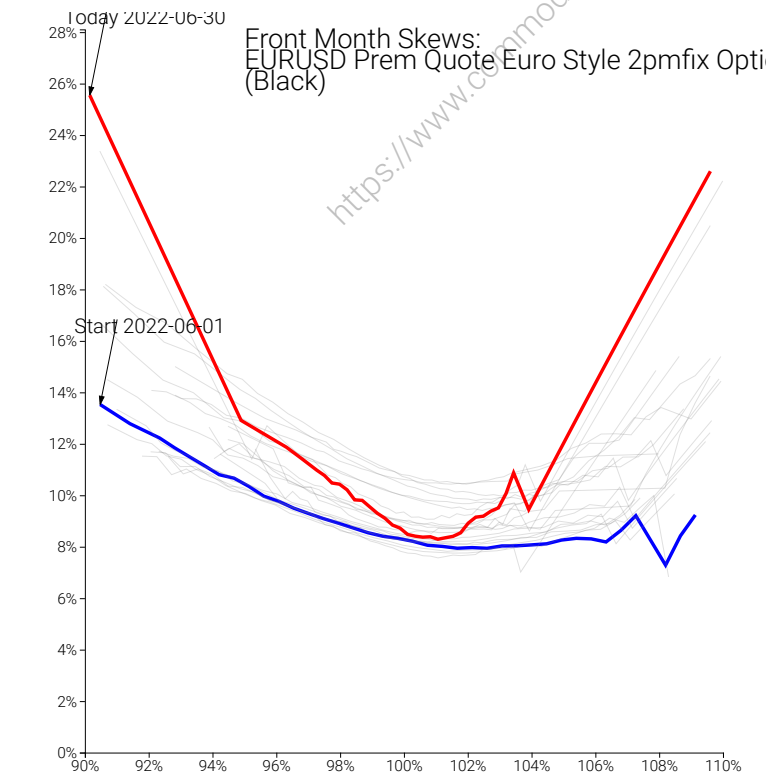
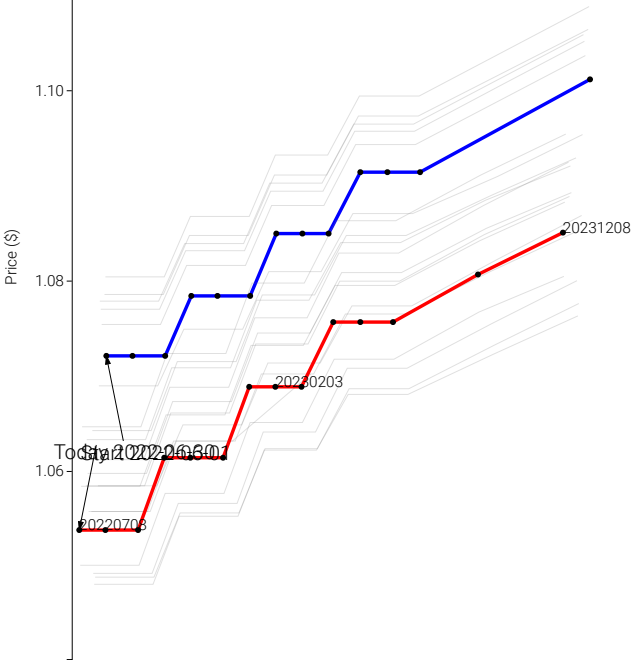
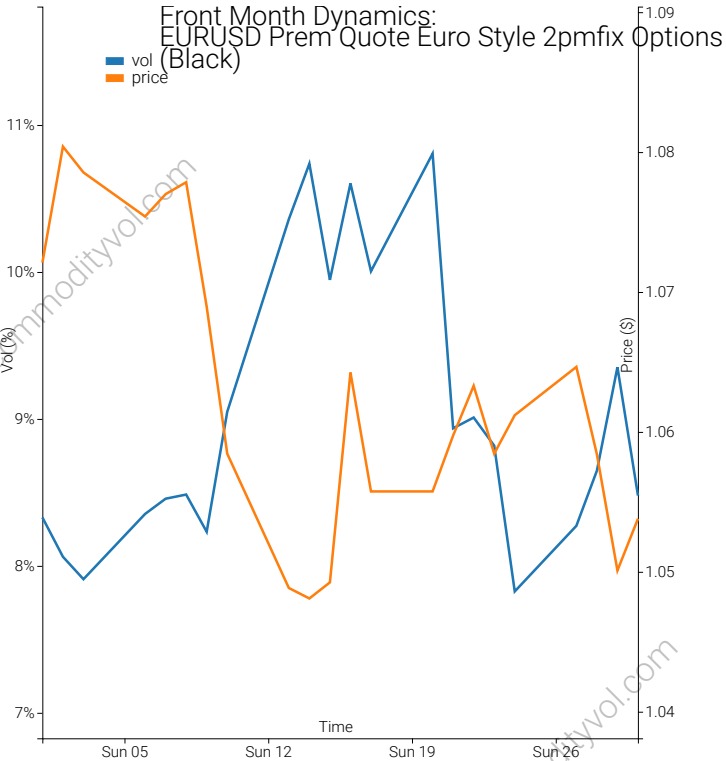
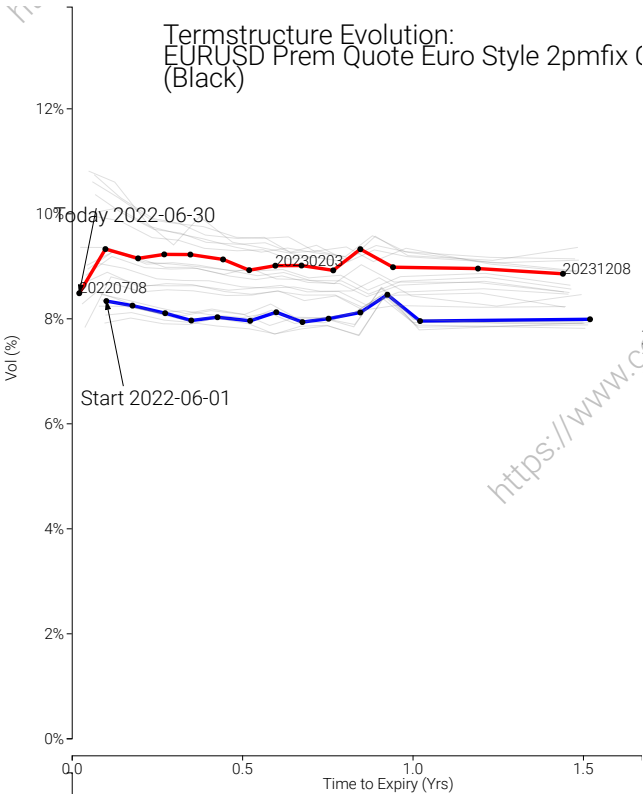


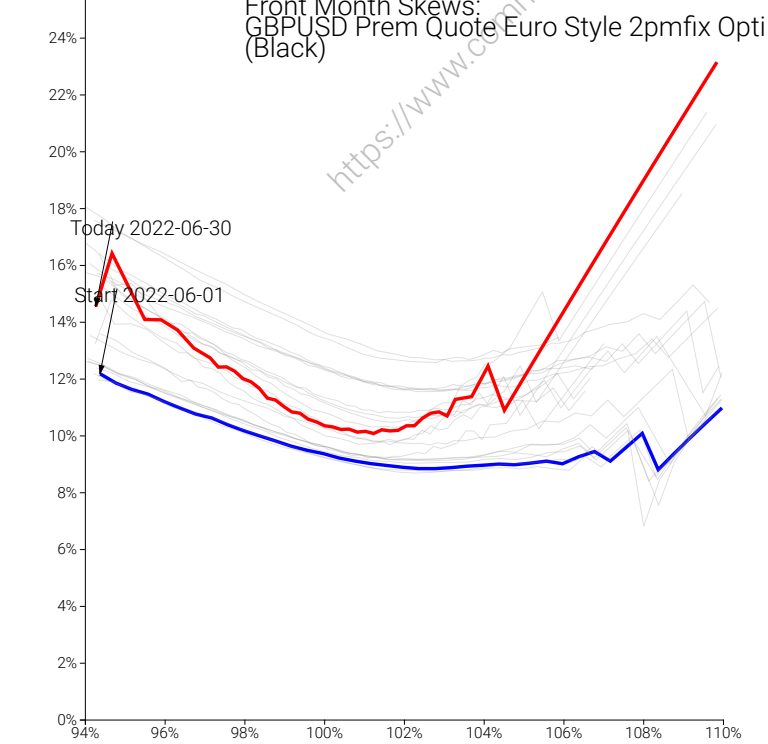
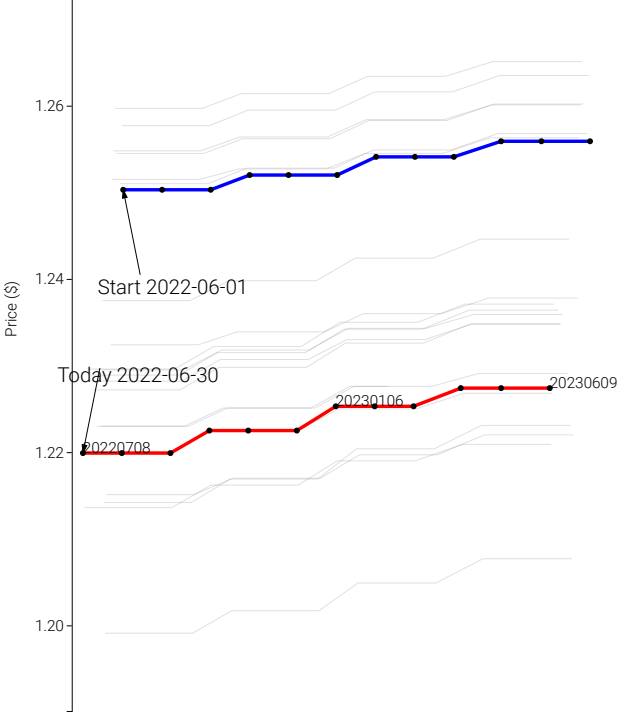
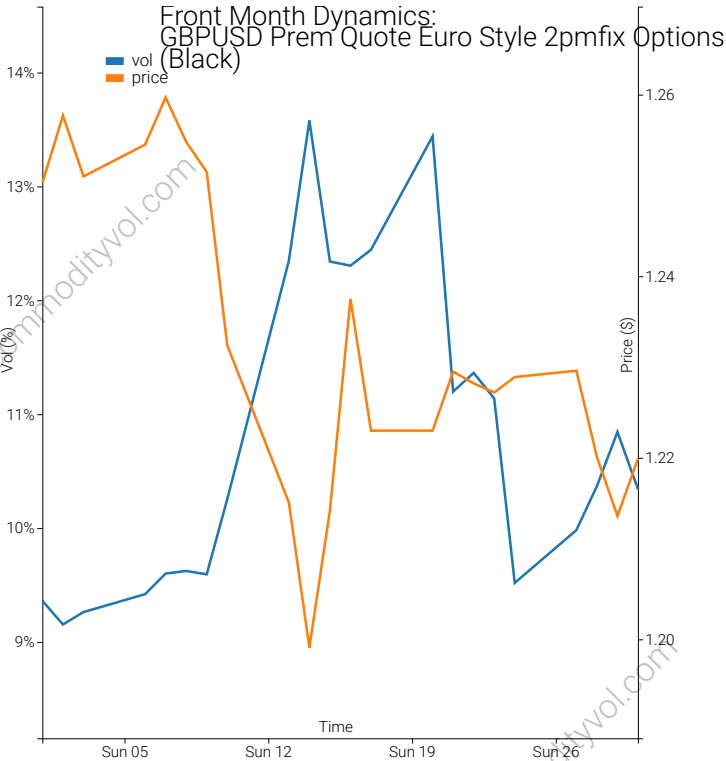
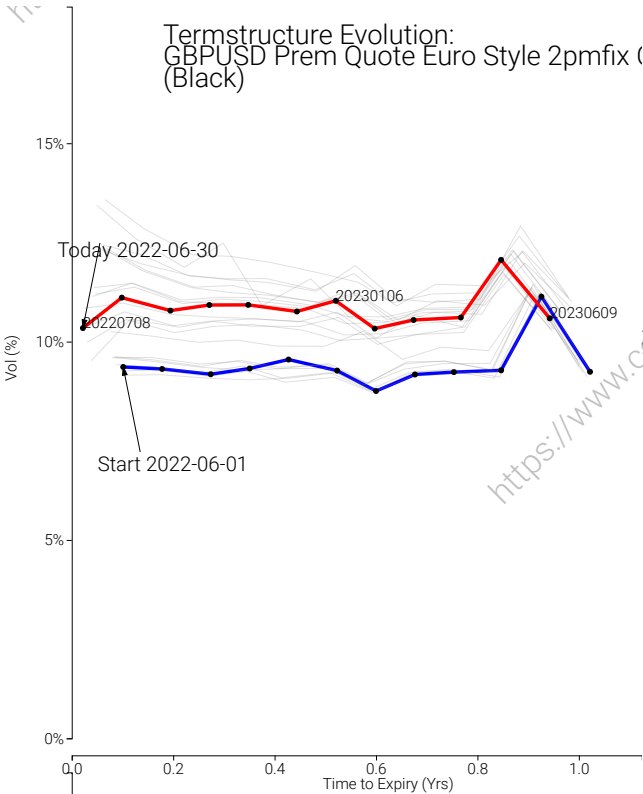


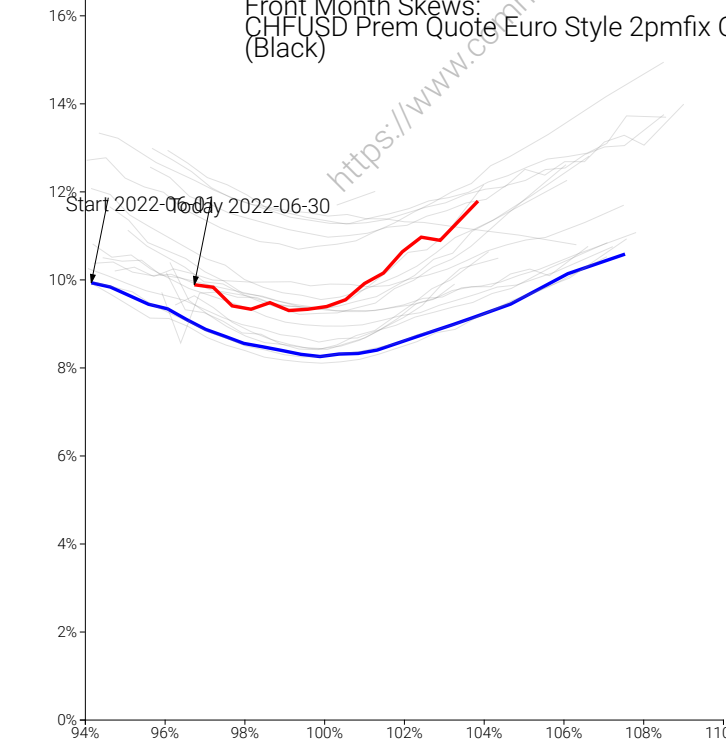
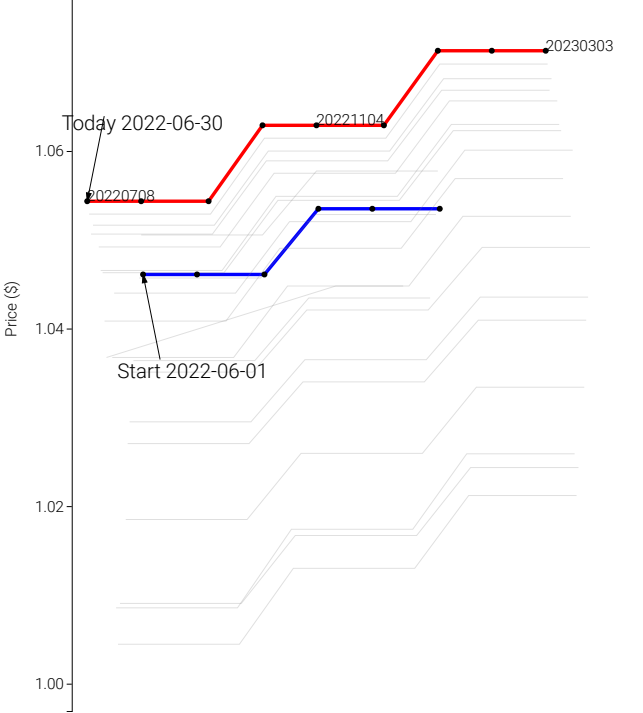
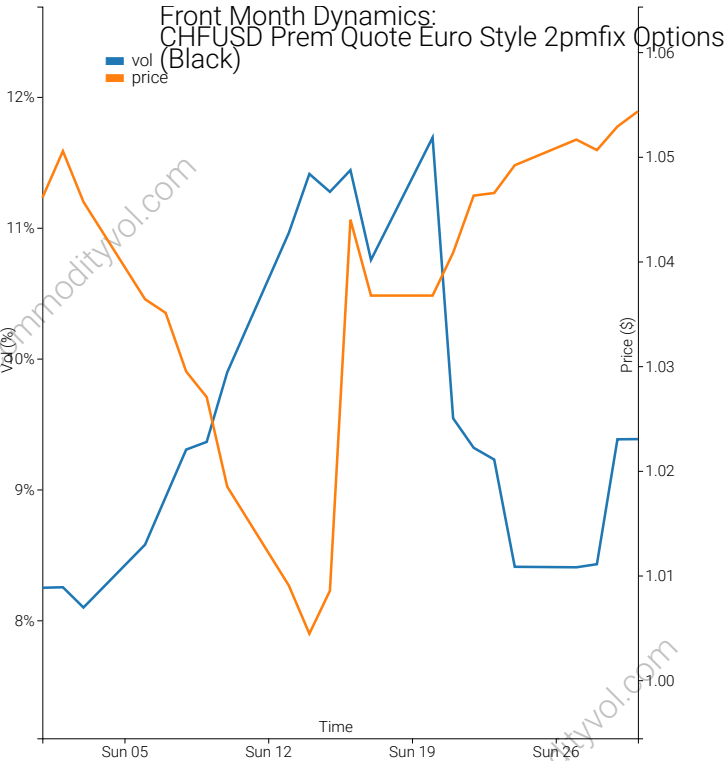
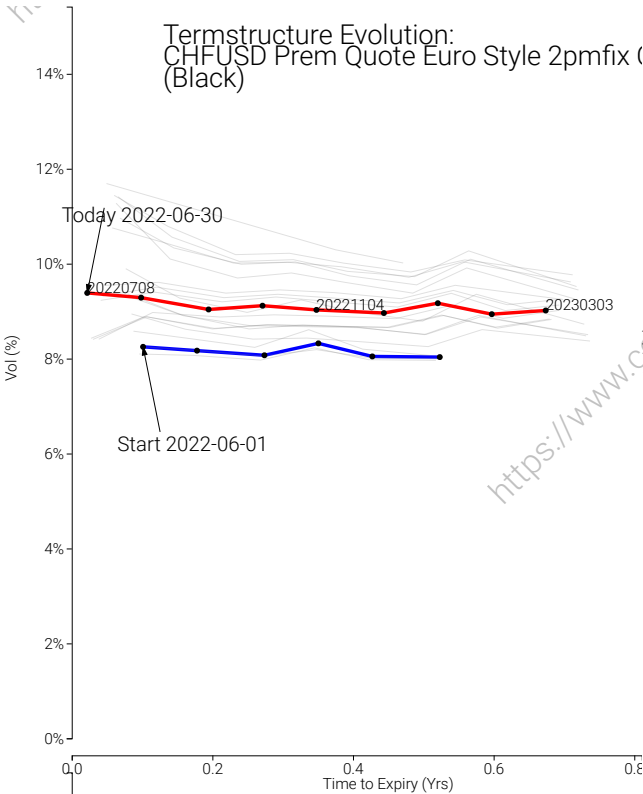


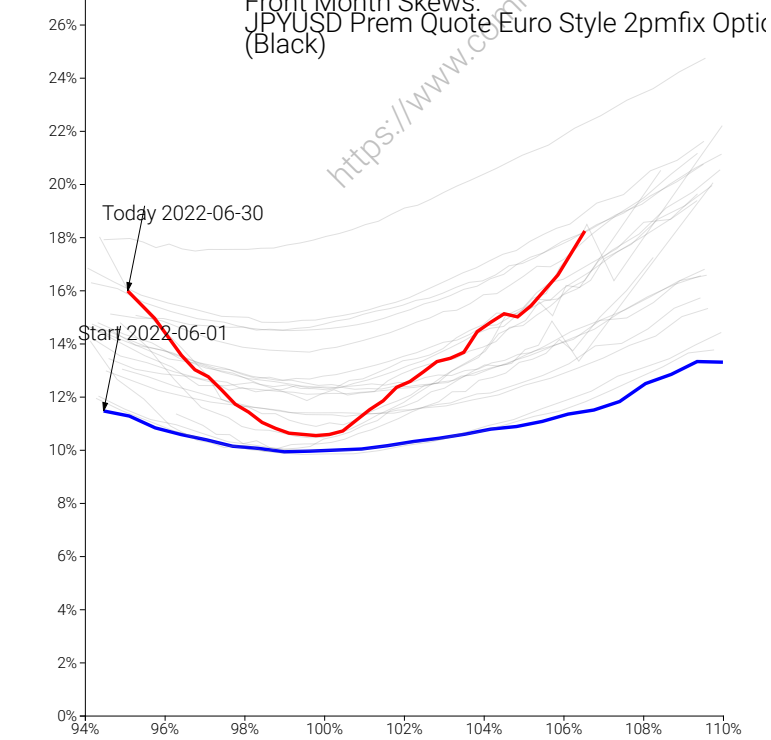
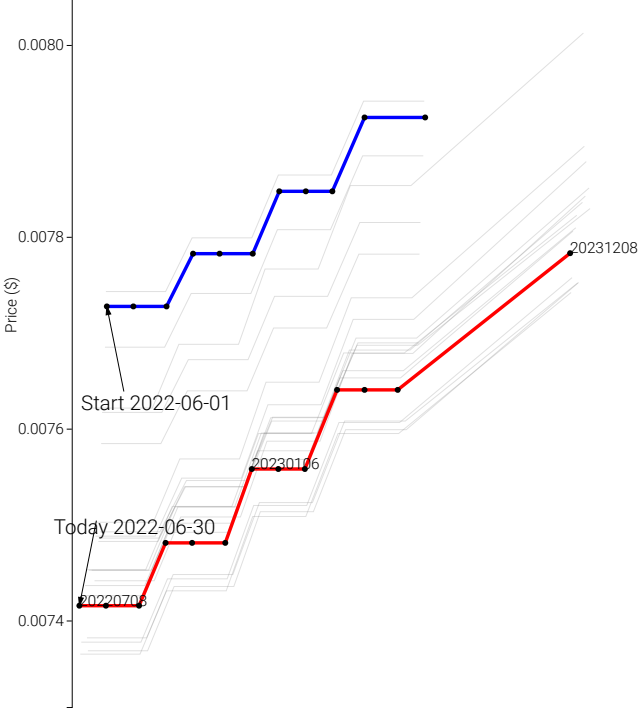
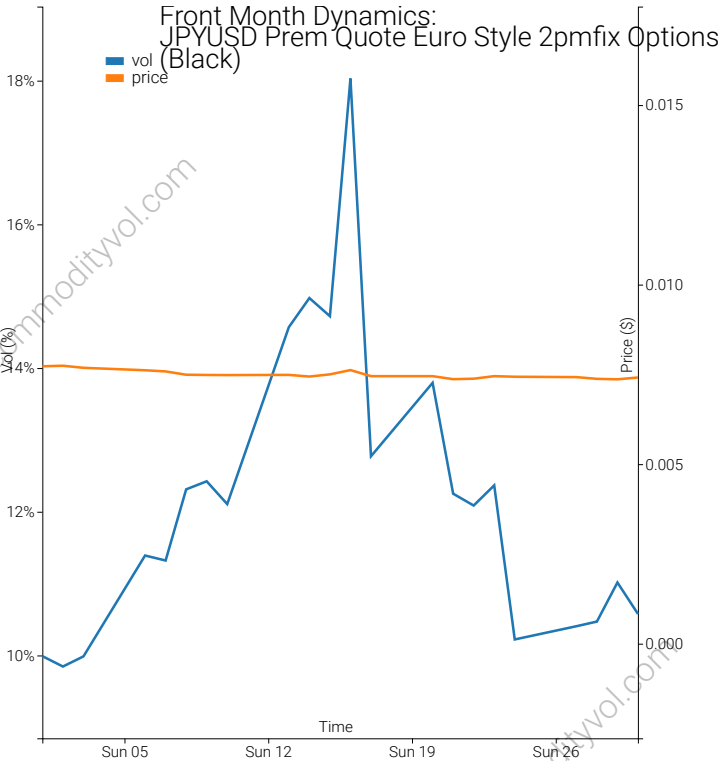
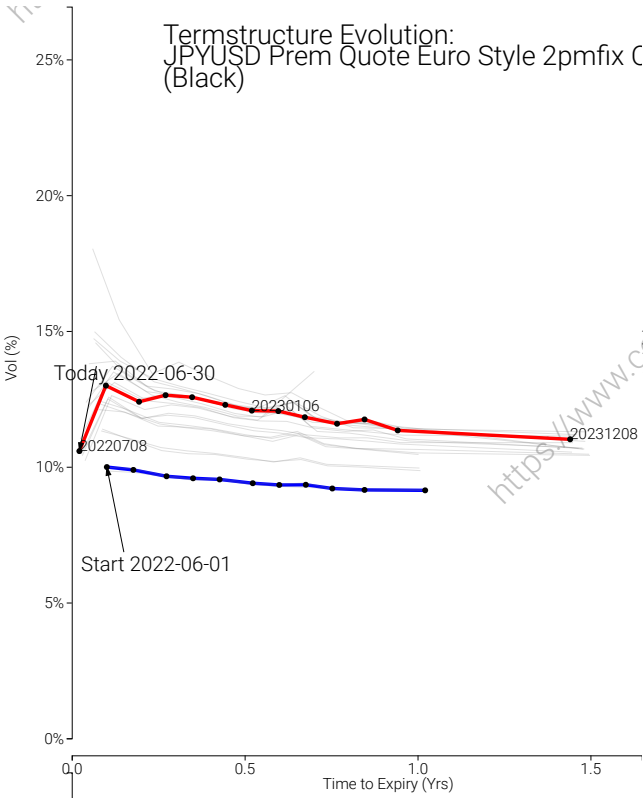


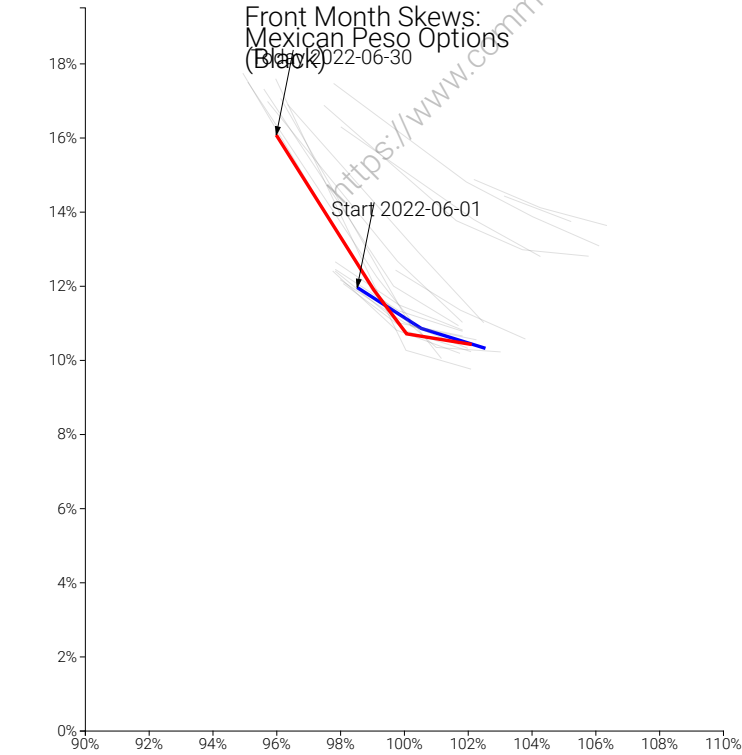
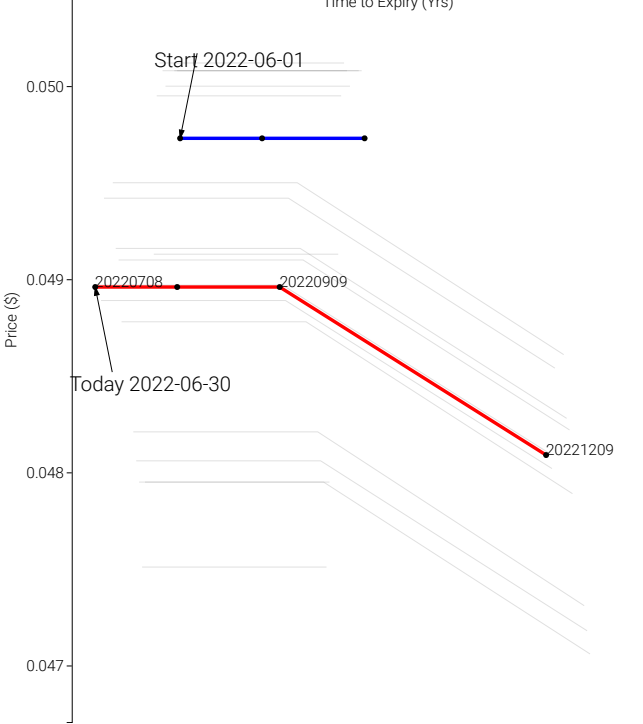
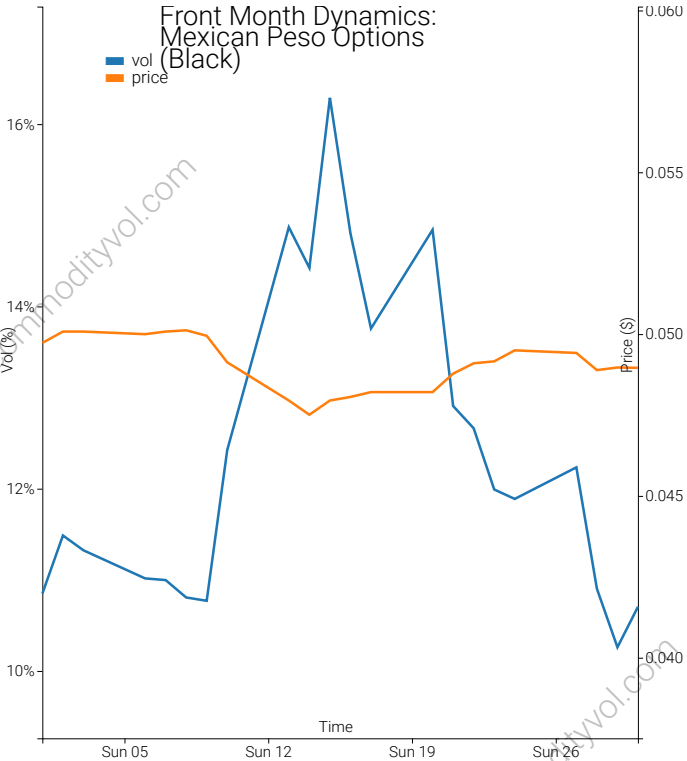
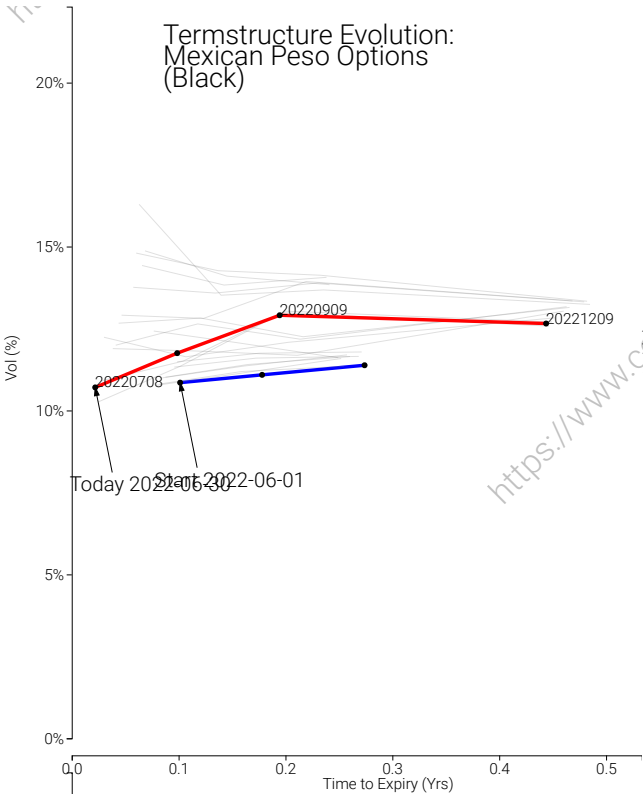
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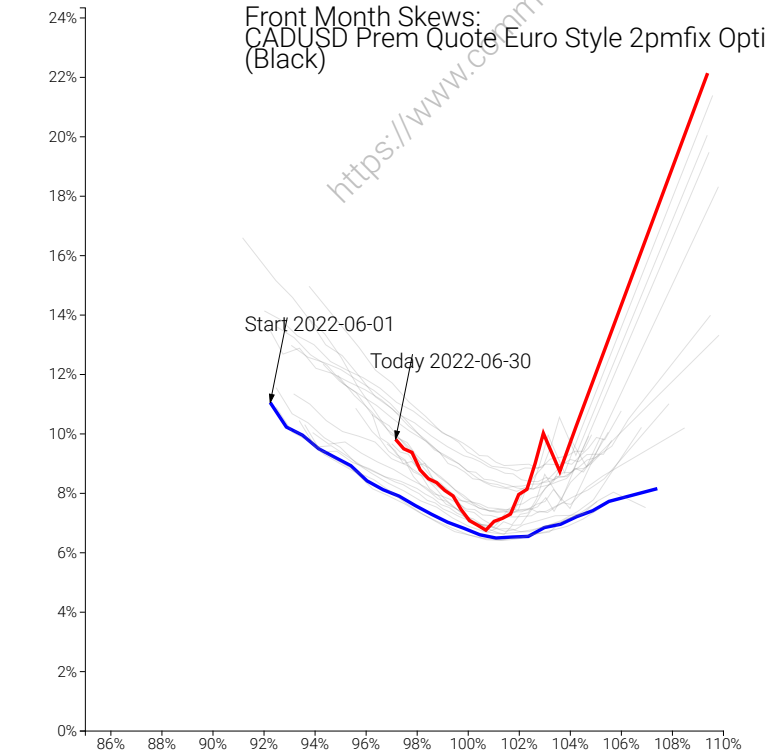
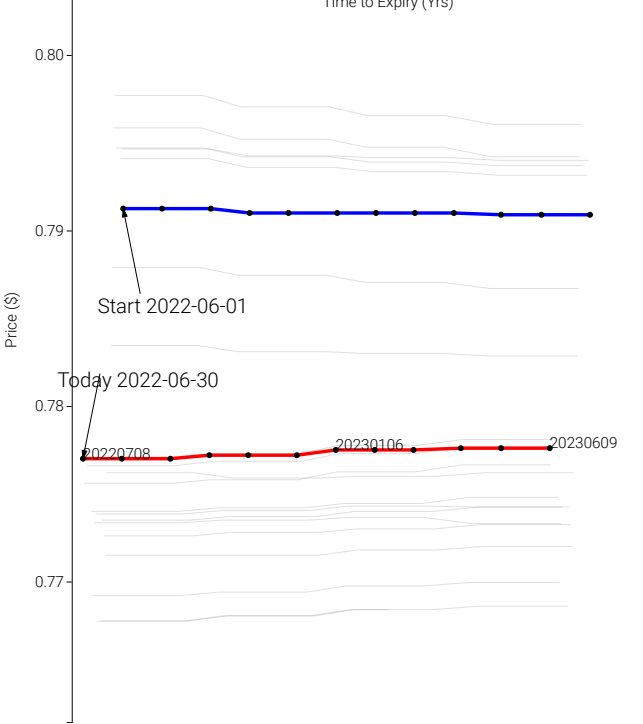
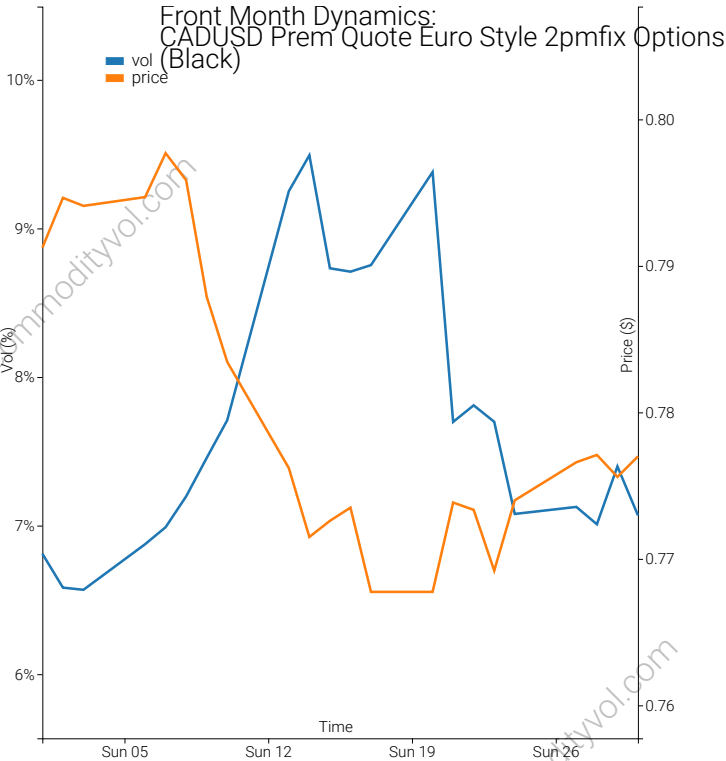
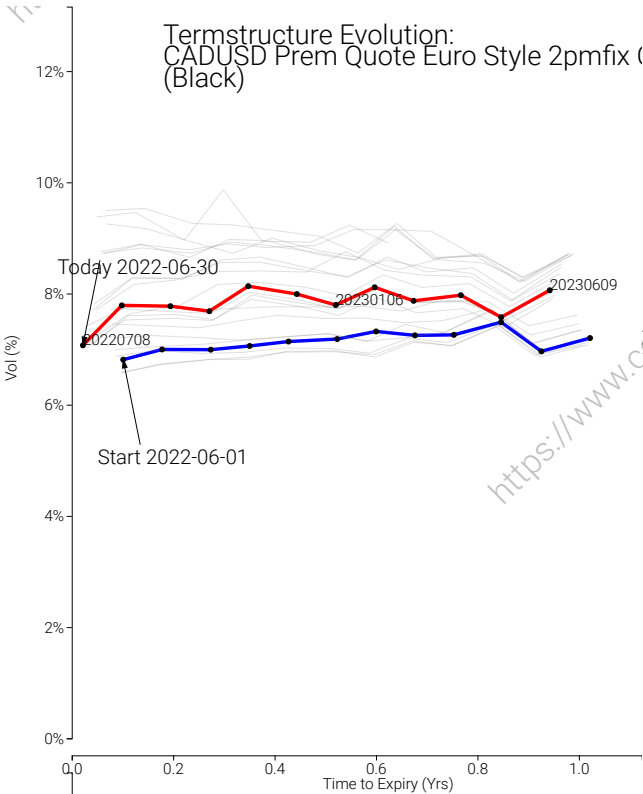


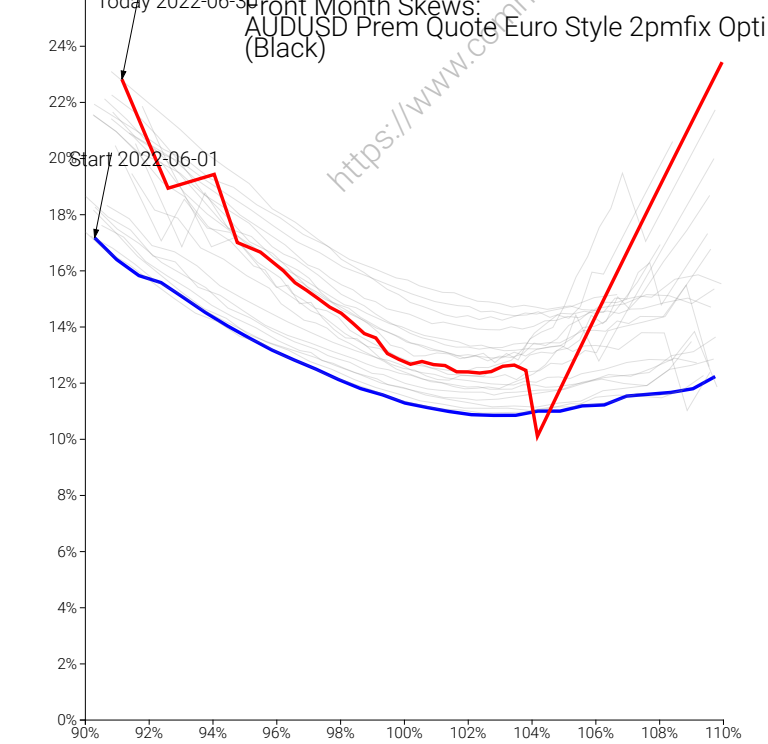
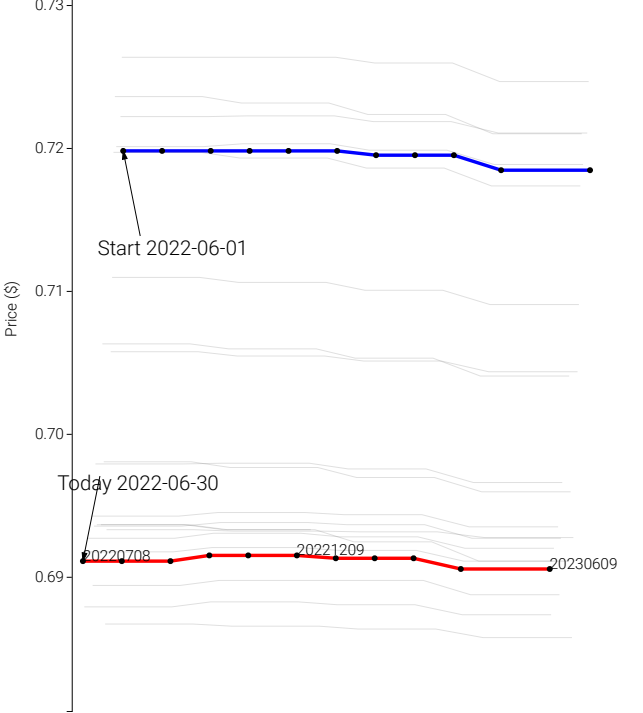
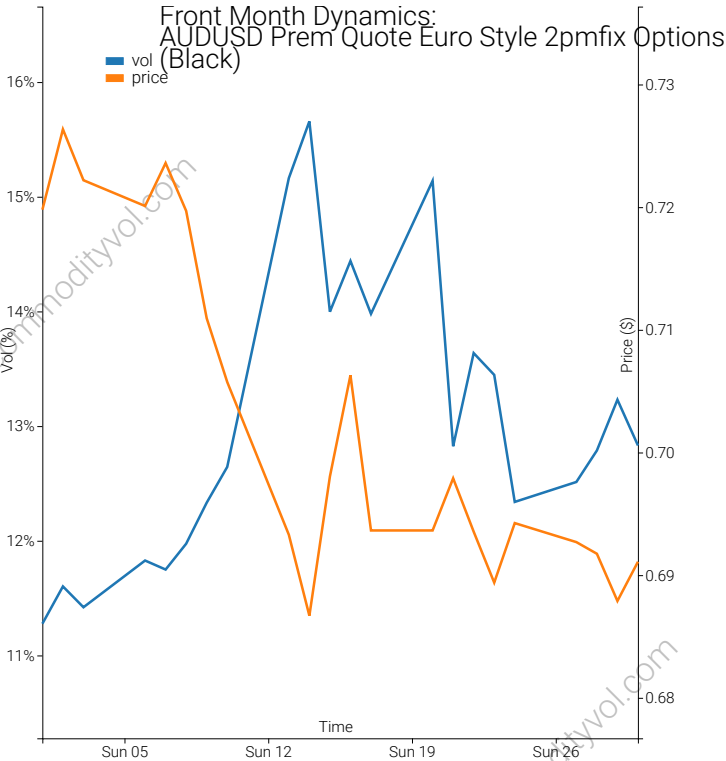
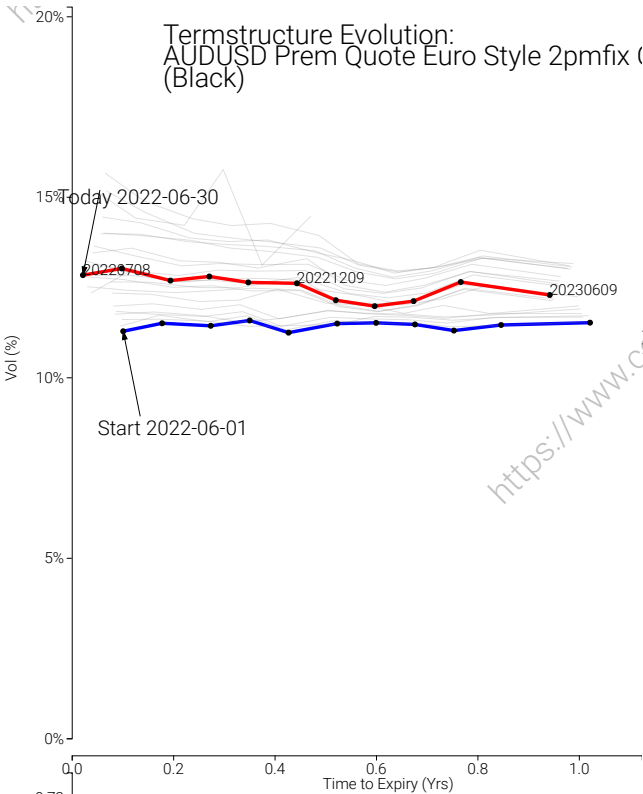


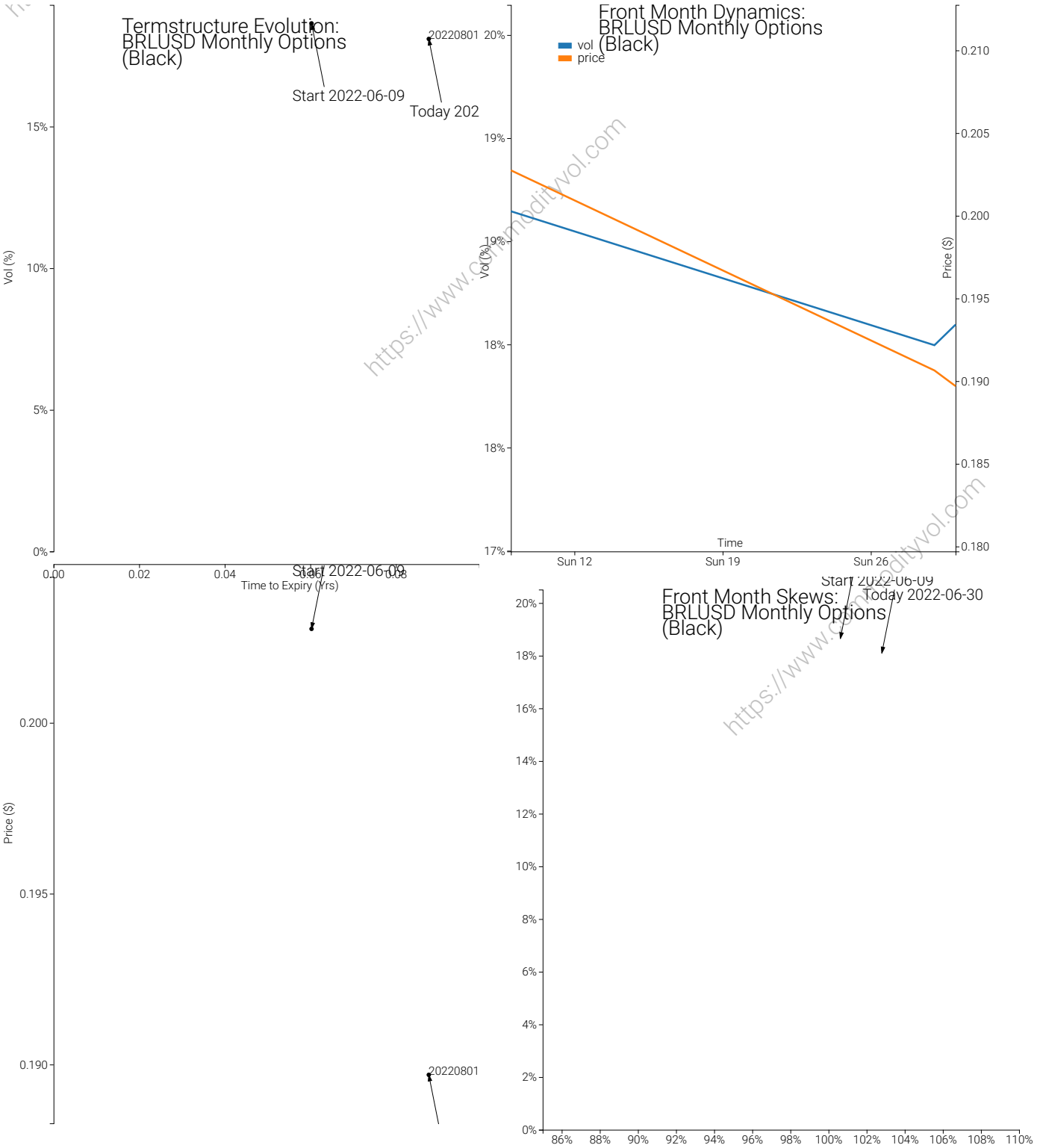


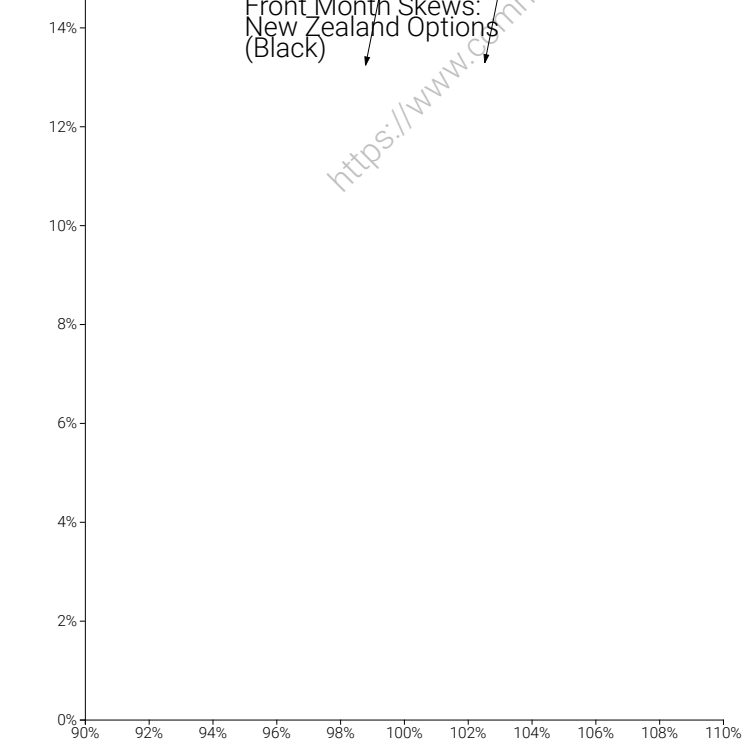
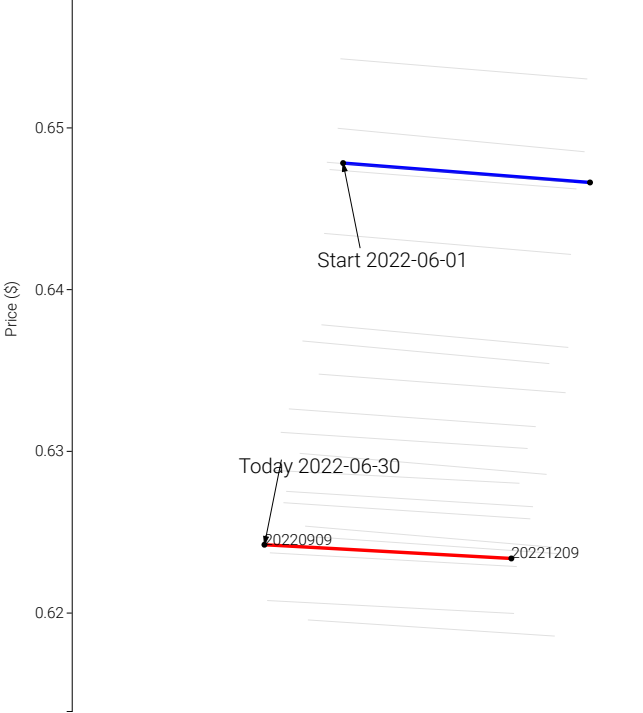
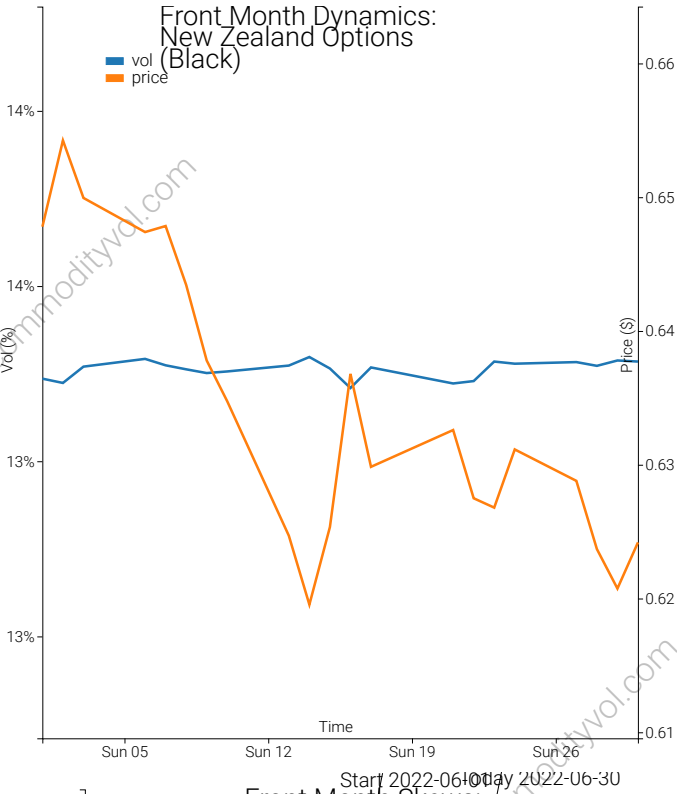
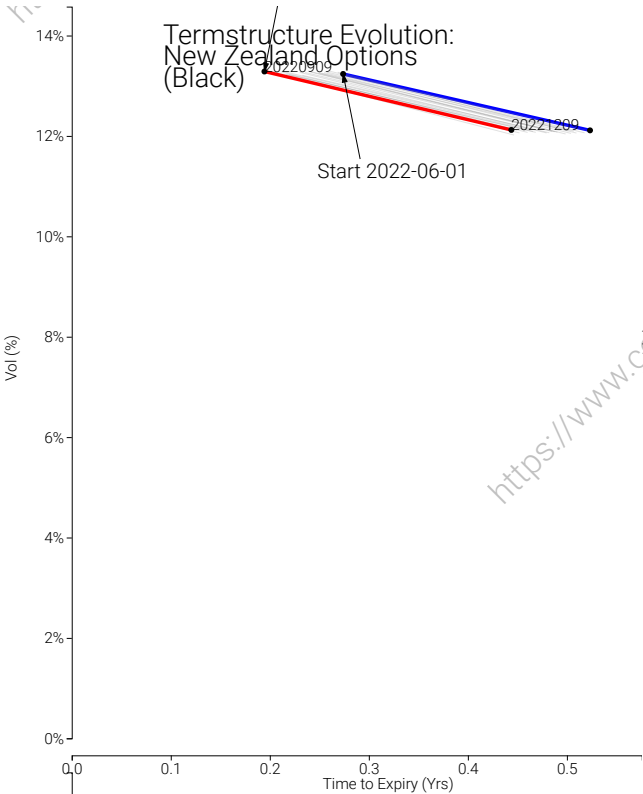


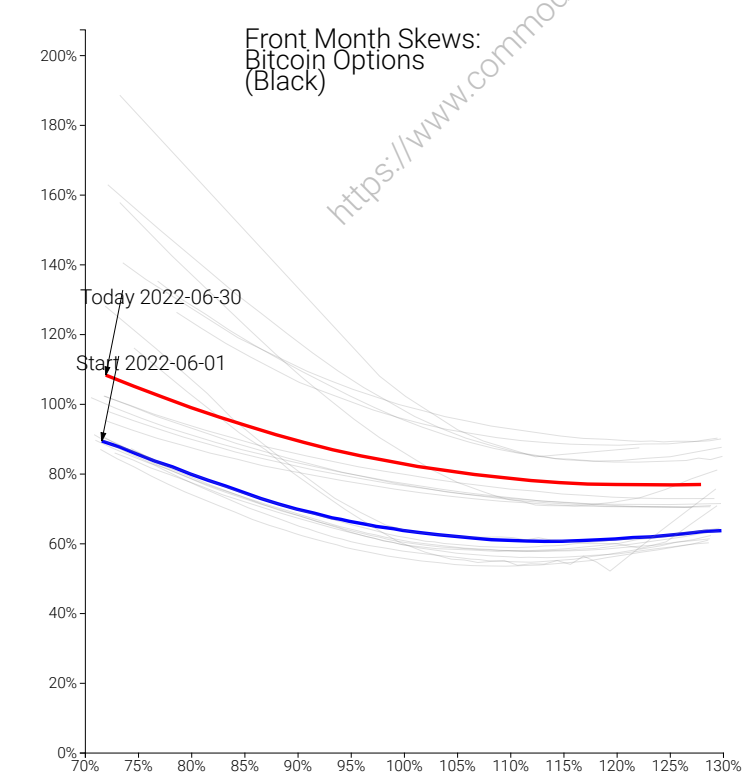
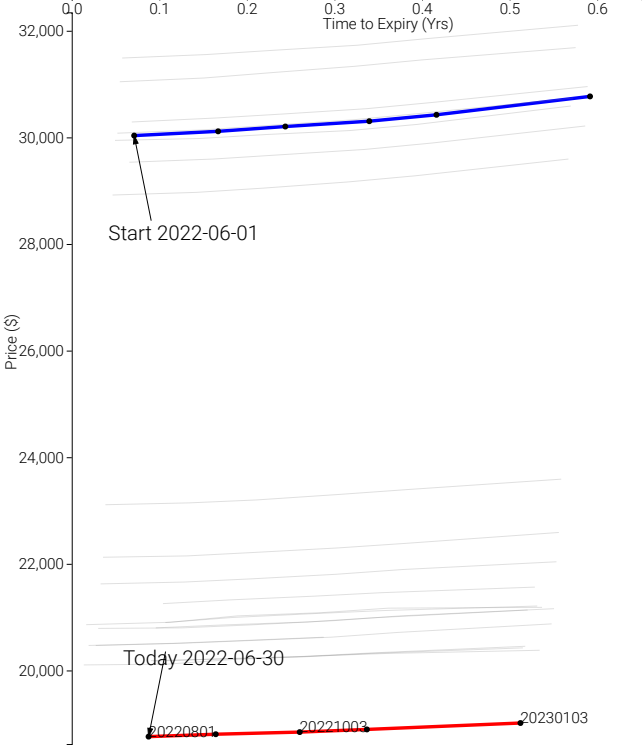
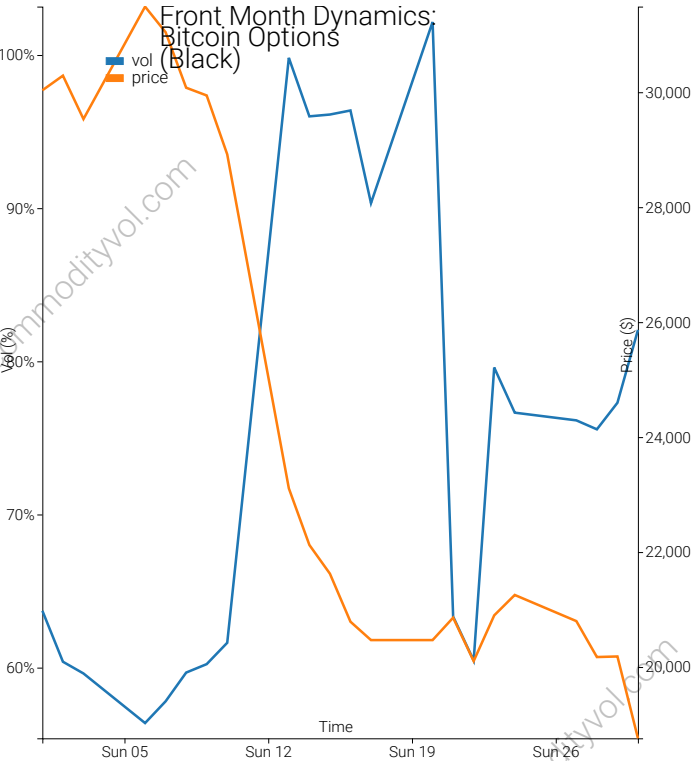
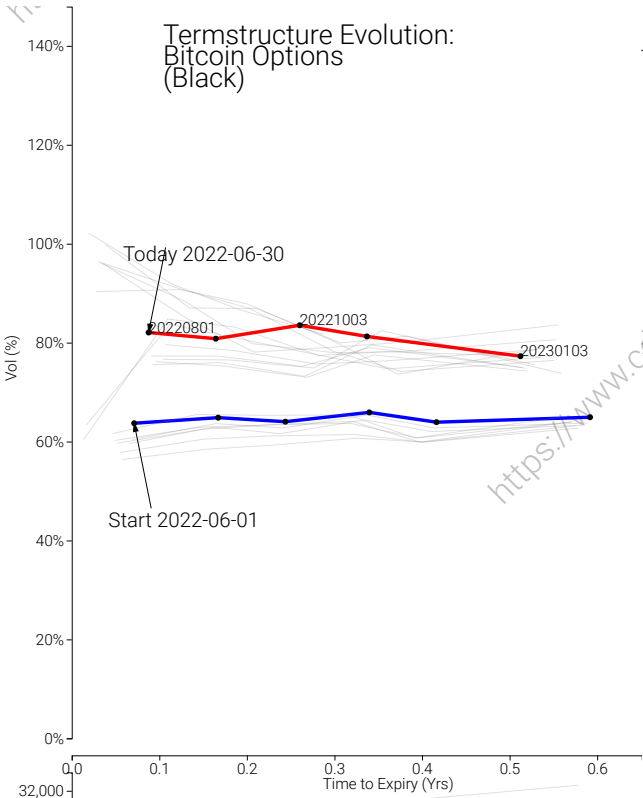










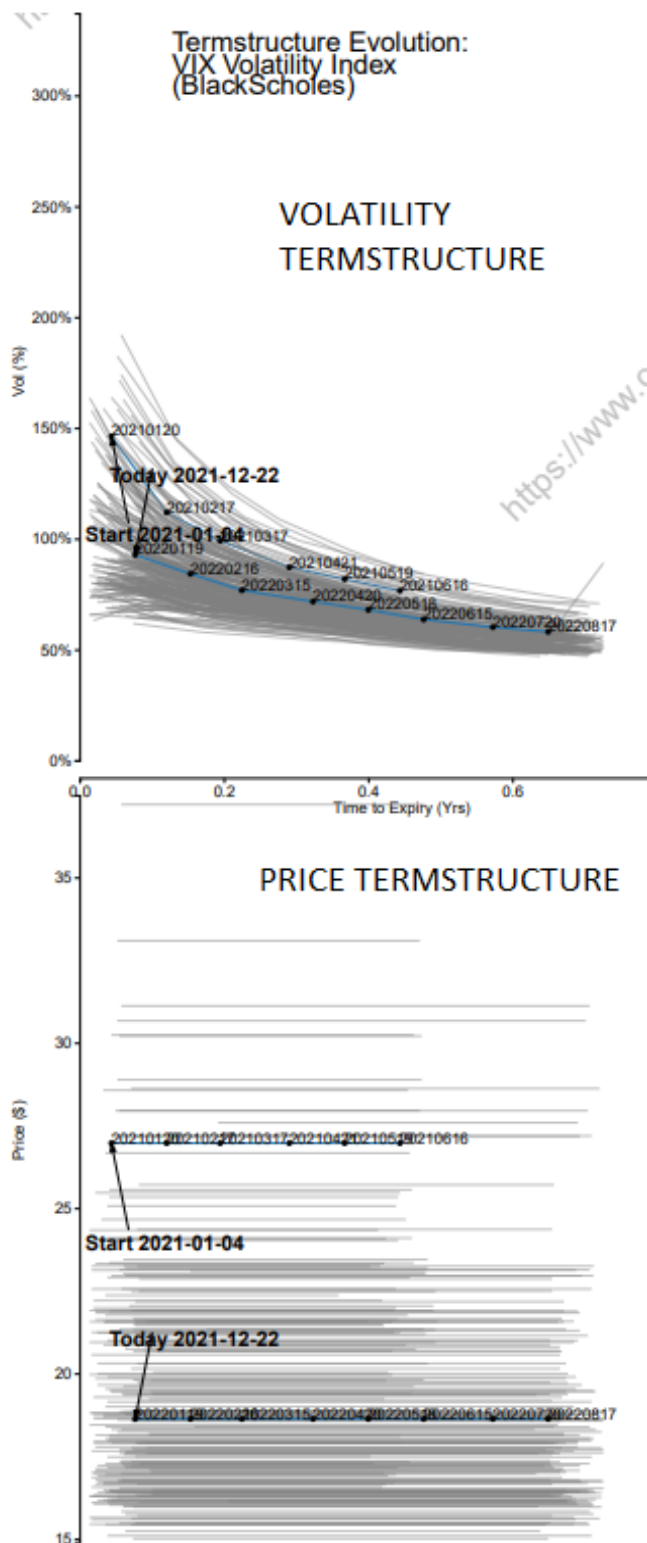


Explanation:

The document is composed of two parts. There is a tabular portion which summarizes the changes in front month futures prices and the changes in the at the money front month implied volatility. The results are presented as raw differences and percentage changes. The plots in this document try to give a feel for the evolution of the futures and options for each product type. The skew/termstructure/xyplots are broken out by major asset classes: Indexes, Fixed Income and so on.

At the Money Volatility and Price Term Structures:

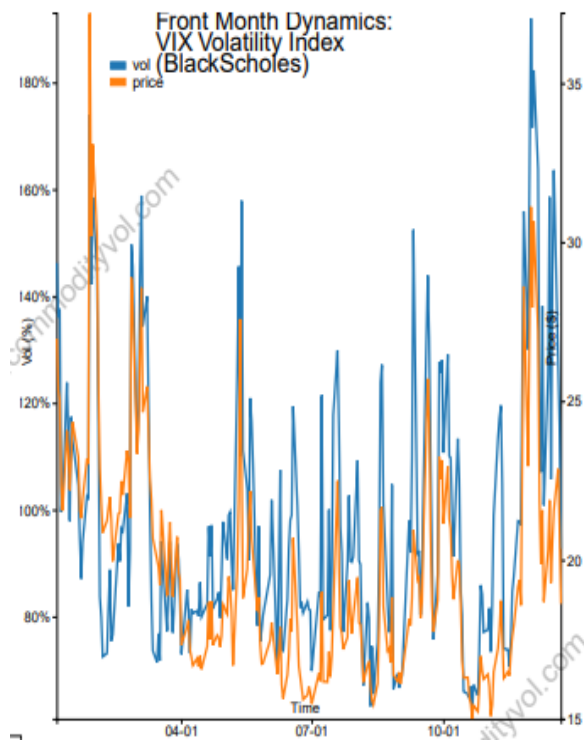
Stacked on top of the other on the left hand side, see the termstructures of vol and the (underlying) futures contract price.



The starting curve is the termstructure at the beginning of the period. This curve is labelled start and is typically colored blue. The ending curve is typically colored red and denoted by the text: Today. The greyed out lines are the termstructures for each day of the period. The hope is that the range of movements becomes apparent.

Front Month At the Money Volatility and Front Month Price Over the Year:

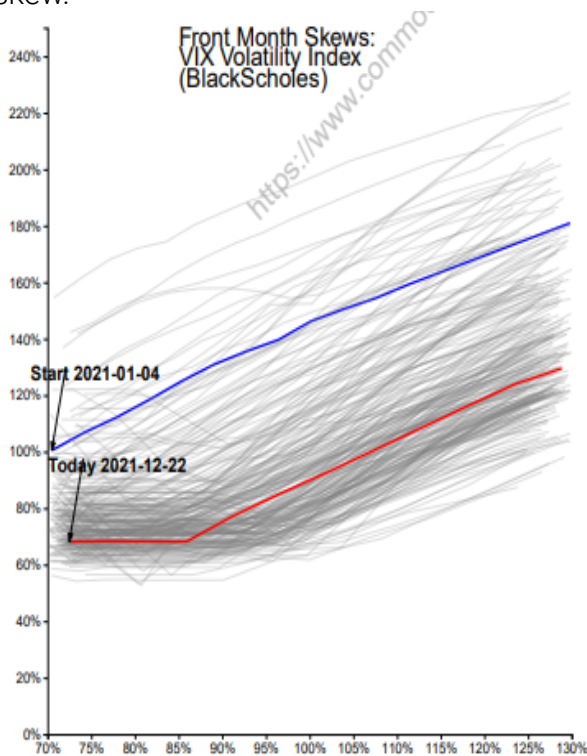
On the right hand panel we have the price and implied volatility of the front month contract.



At the money implied volatility is shown in blue and the axis on the left should be used to read off the values. The front month futures price is in orange and the right hand axis is where its value can be read.

Front Month Skew:

On the right hand in the bottom panel we have the starting front month skew and the ending front month skew.



The front month skew is shown for the starting date. The starting curve is labelled as 'Start' and captioned with the date. The starting curve is blue. Conversely, the ending curve is shown in red and labeled Today. The y-axis shows the implied volatility and the x-axis shows the moneyness. The moneyness is a way to normalize the skew so that it is comparable across time.

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