FinTech Development and Stock Price Crash Risk Analysis

UK Financial Market (2020-2025)

This notebook implements regression analysis using:

- Pooled Ordinary Least Squares (POLS)
- Fixed Effects Model (FEM)
- Random Effects Model (REM)

To analyze the relationship between FinTech development and stock price crash risk.

1. Import Required Libraries

In [1]:
```
# !pip install linearmodels
```

In [3]:
```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from scipy import stats
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')

# For regression analysis
import statsmodels.api as sm
from statsmodels.regression.linear_model import OLS
from linearmodels.panel import PanelOLS, RandomEffects, PooledOLS
from linearmodels.panel import compare
from statsmodels.stats.diagnostic import het_breuschpagan
from statsmodels.stats.stattools import durbin_watson

# Set display options
pd.set_option('display.max_columns', None)
pd.set_option('display.float_format', lambda x: '%.4f' % x)
sns.set_style('whitegrid')
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (12, 8)
```

2. Load Data from CSV

Loading the actual UK FinTech and stock price crash risk dataset from data.csv

In [4]:
```python
# Load data from CSV
df = pd.read_csv('Desktop/bach_project/data.csv')

# Display basic information about the dataset
print(f"Dataset shape: {df.shape}")
print(f"\nColumn names and types:")
print(df.dtypes)

print(f"\nNumber of firms: {df['Firm'].nunique()}")
print(f"Years covered: {df['Year'].min()} - {df['Year'].max()}")

# Display first few rows
print("\nFirst 5 rows of data:")
print(df.head())
```

```
Dataset shape: (606, 11)

Column names and types:
Code             object
Firm             object
Year              int64
NCSKEW          float64
Duvol           float64
ROA             float64
Growth_rate     float64
Leverage        float64
SIZE            float64
FINST           float64
FINTR             int64
dtype: object

Number of firms: 100
Years covered: 2020 - 2025

First 5 rows of data:
  Code          Firm  Year  NCSKEW   Duvol    ROA  Growth_rate  Leverage  \
0  888  888 Holdings  2020  2.6423  4.0909 0.0800       0.0122    0.3456
1  888  888 Holdings  2021  0.0338  0.0978 0.0800       0.1908    0.2353
2  888  888 Holdings  2022 -0.2604 -0.4104 0.0800      -0.0134    0.1911
3  888  888 Holdings  2023  0.2152  0.2246 0.0800      -0.1065    0.4752
4  888  888 Holdings  2024  0.0599  0.0916 0.0800       0.1276    0.3196

    SIZE  FINST  FINTR
0 3.2553 3.5997   1142
1 3.2660 3.6359   2091
2 3.2767 3.6714   2361
3 3.2874 3.7002   2651
4 3.2982 3.7227   3374
```

3. Data Preprocessing and Variable Setup

In [5]:
```python
# Create log transformations for FinTech variables
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df['FINST_log'] = np.log(df['FINST'])
df['FINTR_log'] = np.log(df['FINTR'])

# Rename columns to match the analysis framework
df.rename(columns={
    'Firm': 'firm_id',
    'Year': 'year',
    'Growth_rate': 'GROWTH',
    'Leverage': 'LEV'
}, inplace=True)

# Display summary statistics
print("\nDescriptive Statistics:")
print(df[['NCSKEW', 'Duvol', 'FINST_log', 'FINTR_log', 'SIZE', 'ROA', 'LEV', '

# Check for missing values
print("\nMissing values per column:")
print(df.isnull().sum())

# Display correlation matrix
print("\nCorrelation Matrix:")
corr_matrix = df[['NCSKEW', 'Duvol', 'FINST_log', 'FINTR_log', 'SIZE', 'ROA',
print(corr_matrix)
```

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Descriptive Statistics:
        NCSKEW    Duvol  FINST_log  FINTR_log     SIZE      ROA      LEV  \
count 606.0000 606.0000   606.0000   606.0000 606.0000 606.0000 606.0000
mean    0.4543   0.6945     1.3023     7.7943   3.5259   0.0926   0.4342
std     0.9997   1.5022     0.0132     0.4023   0.7019   0.0391   0.1587
min    -1.1305  -1.2006     1.2808     7.0405   3.2553   0.0200   0.1805
25%    -0.1122  -0.1594     1.2909     7.6454   3.2660   0.0800   0.3088
50%     0.0527   0.1025     1.3045     7.8248   3.2874   0.0800   0.4192
75%     0.3185   0.5004     1.3145     8.1239   3.3090   0.0800   0.5228
max     2.6770   4.3509     1.3186     8.3062   6.5284   0.3500   0.9002

        GROWTH
count 606.0000
mean    0.0421
std     0.1223
min    -0.2118
25%    -0.0503
50%     0.0354
75%     0.1111
max     0.3839

Missing values per column:
Code         0
firm_id      0
year         0
NCSKEW       0
Duvol        0
ROA          0
GROWTH       0
LEV          0
SIZE         0
FINST        0
FINTR        0
FINST_log    0
FINTR_log    0
dtype: int64

Correlation Matrix:
           NCSKEW   Duvol  FINST_log  FINTR_log    SIZE     ROA     LEV  \
NCSKEW     1.0000  0.9482    -0.6691    -0.7784 -0.0169 -0.0477  0.1669
Duvol      0.9482  1.0000    -0.6763    -0.7839 -0.0145 -0.0475  0.1719
FINST_log -0.6691 -0.6763     1.0000     0.9681  0.0258  0.0352 -0.2682
FINTR_log -0.7784 -0.7839     0.9681     1.0000  0.0250  0.0370 -0.2447
SIZE      -0.0169 -0.0145     0.0258     0.0250  1.0000  0.1280  0.3791
ROA       -0.0477 -0.0475     0.0352     0.0370  0.1280  1.0000 -0.0241
LEV        0.1669  0.1719    -0.2682    -0.2447  0.3791 -0.0241  1.0000
GROWTH    -0.1322 -0.1256    -0.1339     0.0441  0.0051  0.0013  0.1151

           GROWTH
NCSKEW    -0.1322
Duvol     -0.1256
FINST_log -0.1339
FINTR_log  0.0441
SIZE       0.0051
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ROA        0.0013
LEV        0.1151
GROWTH     1.0000
```

4. Prepare Panel Data Structure

4. Comprehensive Descriptive Statistics Analysis

5. Prepare Panel Data Structure

In [6]:

```python
# Set multi-index for panel data
df_panel = df.set_index(['firm_id', 'year'])
df_panel = df_panel.sort_index()

# Define variables for regression
dependent_vars = ['NCSKEW', 'Duvol']
fintech_vars = ['FINST_log', 'FINTR_log']
control_vars = ['SIZE', 'ROA', 'LEV', 'GROWTH']
independent_vars = fintech_vars + control_vars

print(f"Panel structure: {df_panel.index.names}")
print(f"Panel dimensions: {df_panel.shape}")
print(f"\nBalanced panel check:")
panel_balance = df_panel.groupby(level=0).size().value_counts()
print(panel_balance)
print(f"\nPanel is {'balanced' if len(panel_balance) == 1 else 'unbalanced'}")
```

```
Panel structure: ['firm_id', 'year']
Panel dimensions: (606, 11)

Balanced panel check:
6     99
12     1
dtype: int64

Panel is unbalanced
```

6. Pooled OLS (POLS) Estimation

In [7]:

```python
# Function to run POLS
def run_pooled_ols(data, dep_var, indep_vars):
    # Prepare data
    y = data[dep_var]
    X = data[indep_vars]
    X = sm.add_constant(X)

    # Run pooled OLS using linearmodels
```

```
    model = PooledOLS(y, X)
    results = model.fit(cov_type='clustered', cluster_entity=True)

    return results

# Run POLS for both crash risk measures
print("="*80)
print("POOLED OLS RESULTS - NCSKEW")
print("="*80)
pols_ncskew = run_pooled_ols(df_panel, 'NCSKEW', independent_vars)
print(pols_ncskew.summary)

print("\n" + "="*80)
print("POOLED OLS RESULTS - DUVOL")
print("="*80)
pols_duvol = run_pooled_ols(df_panel, 'Duvol', independent_vars)
print(pols_duvol.summary)
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================================================================================
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POOLED OLS RESULTS - NCSKEW
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                          PooledOLS Estimation Summary
================================================================================
=
Dep. Variable:                 NCSKEW   R-squared:                        0.759
1
Estimator:                  PooledOLS   R-squared (Between):             -0.047
9
No. Observations:                 606   R-squared (Within):               0.767
2
Date:                Thu, Sep 04 2025   R-squared (Overall):              0.759
1
Time:                        07:15:10   Log-likelihood                   -427.8
8
Cov. Estimator:             Clustered
                                        F-statistic:                      314.5
9
Entities:                         100   P-value                           0.000
0
Avg Obs:                       6.0600   Distribution:                   F(6,59
9)
Min Obs:                       6.0000
Max Obs:                       12.000   F-statistic (robust):             486.2
6
                                        P-value                           0.000
0
Time periods:                       6   Distribution:                   F(6,59
9)
Avg Obs:                       101.00
Min Obs:                       101.00
Max Obs:                       101.00

                             Parameter Estimates
===============================================================================
            Parameter  Std. Err.     T-stat    P-value    Lower CI    Upper CI
-------------------------------------------------------------------------------
const         -154.66     4.9892    -30.999     0.0000     -164.46     -144.86
FINST_log      161.50     4.7957     33.676     0.0000      152.08      170.92
FINTR_log     -7.0906     0.1698    -41.763     0.0000     -7.4241     -6.7572
SIZE          -0.0053     0.0136    -0.3933     0.6942     -0.0320      0.0213
ROA           -0.4314     0.2593    -1.6635     0.0967     -0.9406      0.0779
LEV            0.0620     0.1016     0.6102     0.5420     -0.1375      0.2615
GROWTH         2.2752     0.1945     11.700     0.0000      1.8933      2.6571
===============================================================================

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POOLED OLS RESULTS - DUVOL
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                          PooledOLS Estimation Summary
==============================================================================
=
Dep. Variable:                  Duvol   R-squared:                        0.763
7
Estimator:                  PooledOLS   R-squared (Between):             -0.056
1
No. Observations:                 606   R-squared (Within):               0.770
6
Date:                Thu, Sep 04 2025   R-squared (Overall):              0.763
7
Time:                        07:15:10   Log-likelihood                   -668.8
3
Cov. Estimator:             Clustered
                                        F-statistic:                      322.7
0
Entities:                         100   P-value                           0.000
0
Avg Obs:                       6.0600   Distribution:                   F(6,59
9)
Min Obs:                       6.0000
Max Obs:                       12.000   F-statistic (robust):             272.5
1
                                        P-value                           0.000
0
Time periods:                       6   Distribution:                   F(6,59
9)
Avg Obs:                       101.00
Min Obs:                       101.00
Max Obs:                       101.00

                             Parameter Estimates
==============================================================================
            Parameter  Std. Err.     T-stat    P-value    Lower CI    Upper CI
------------------------------------------------------------------------------
const         -229.93     9.9503    -23.108     0.0000     -249.47     -210.39
FINST_log      240.47     9.7239     24.729     0.0000      221.37      259.56
FINTR_log     -10.604     0.3585    -29.580     0.0000     -11.308     -9.8998
SIZE          -0.0044     0.0207    -0.2128     0.8315     -0.0450      0.0362
ROA           -0.6382     0.3398    -1.8785     0.0608     -1.3055      0.0290
LEV            0.1138     0.1587     0.7170     0.4737     -0.1979      0.4255
GROWTH         3.4573     0.3083     11.212     0.0000      2.8517      4.0629
==============================================================================
```

6. Fixed Effects Model (FEM) Estimation

Note: Since FINST and FINTR are market-level variables (same for all firms in a given year), they will be absorbed when including both entity and time fixed effects. We'll run models with:

1. Entity effects only (to capture FinTech impact)

2. Entity + Time effects (dropping FinTech variables)

In [8]:
```
# Function to run Fixed Effects Model
def run_fixed_effects(data, dep_var, indep_vars):
    # Prepare data
    y = data[dep_var]
    X = data[indep_vars]

    # Run Fixed Effects using linearmodels
    # Add drop_absorbed=True to automatically drop variables that are perfectl
    model = PanelOLS(y, X, entity_effects=True, time_effects=True, drop_absorb
    results = model.fit(cov_type='clustered', cluster_entity=True)

    return results

# Run FEM for both crash risk measures
print("="*80)
print("FIXED EFFECTS MODEL - NCSKEW")
print("="*80)
print("Note: FINST_log and FINTR_log will be dropped as they are absorbed by t
fem_ncskew = run_fixed_effects(df_panel, 'NCSKEW', independent_vars)
print(fem_ncskew.summary)

print("\n" + "="*80)
print("FIXED EFFECTS MODEL - DUVOL")
print("="*80)
print("Note: FINST_log and FINTR_log will be dropped as they are absorbed by t
fem_duvol = run_fixed_effects(df_panel, 'Duvol', independent_vars)
print(fem_duvol.summary)
```

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FIXED EFFECTS MODEL - NCSKEW
================================================================================
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Note: FINST_log and FINTR_log will be dropped as they are absorbed by time effe
cts
                          PanelOLS Estimation Summary
================================================================================
=
Dep. Variable:                 NCSKEW   R-squared:                        0.004
4
Estimator:                   PanelOLS   R-squared (Between):         -2.313e+0
7
No. Observations:                 606   R-squared (Within):             -120.5
2
Date:                Thu, Sep 04 2025   R-squared (Overall):         -4.242e+0
6
Time:                        07:15:11   Log-likelihood                  -181.8
9
Cov. Estimator:             Clustered
                                        F-statistic:                      0.552
1
Entities:                         100   P-value                           0.697
6
Avg Obs:                       6.0600   Distribution:                    F(4,49
7)
Min Obs:                       6.0000
Max Obs:                       12.000   F-statistic (robust):             1.487
4
                                        P-value                           0.204
7
Time periods:                       6   Distribution:                    F(4,49
7)
Avg Obs:                       101.00
Min Obs:                       101.00
Max Obs:                       101.00

                             Parameter Estimates
===============================================================================
            Parameter  Std. Err.     T-stat    P-value    Lower CI    Upper CI
-------------------------------------------------------------------------------
SIZE          -628.53     338.20    -1.8584     0.0637     -1293.0      35.953
ROA           -0.4824     0.7314    -0.6595     0.5098     -1.9194      0.9546
LEV           -0.0588     0.1467    -0.4004     0.6890     -0.3470      0.2295
GROWTH         0.2764     0.2475     1.1168     0.2646     -0.2099      0.7627
===============================================================================

F-test for Poolability: 37.189
P-value: 0.0000
Distribution: F(104,497)

Included effects: Entity, Time
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FIXED EFFECTS MODEL - DUVOL
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Note: FINST_log and FINTR_log will be dropped as they are absorbed by time effe
cts
                          PanelOLS Estimation Summary
================================================================================
=
Dep. Variable:                  Duvol   R-squared:                        0.002
9
Estimator:                   PanelOLS   R-squared (Between):          -3.318e+0
7
No. Observations:                 606   R-squared (Within):              -180.4
9
Date:                Thu, Sep 04 2025   R-squared (Overall):          -6.206e+0
6
Time:                        07:15:11   Log-likelihood                   -421.7
5
Cov. Estimator:             Clustered
                                        F-statistic:                      0.358
1
Entities:                         100   P-value                           0.838
4
Avg Obs:                       6.0600   Distribution:                   F(4,49
7)
Min Obs:                       6.0000
Max Obs:                       12.000   F-statistic (robust):             2.062
1
                                        P-value                           0.084
6
Time periods:                       6   Distribution:                   F(4,49
7)
Avg Obs:                       101.00
Min Obs:                       101.00
Max Obs:                       101.00

                             Parameter Estimates
==============================================================================
            Parameter  Std. Err.     T-stat    P-value    Lower CI    Upper CI
------------------------------------------------------------------------------
SIZE          -1145.8     515.50    -2.2228     0.0267     -2158.7     -133.01
ROA           -1.0975     1.9152    -0.5730     0.5669     -4.8603      2.6654
LEV           -0.0418     0.2032    -0.2056     0.8372     -0.4409      0.3574
GROWTH         0.1559     0.5182     0.3009     0.7636     -0.8621      1.1740
==============================================================================

F-test for Poolability: 38.176
P-value: 0.0000
Distribution: F(104,497)

Included effects: Entity, Time
```

7. Random Effects Model (REM) Estimation

In [9]:
```
# Function to run Random Effects Model
def run_random_effects(data, dep_var, indep_vars):
    # Prepare data
    y = data[dep_var]
    X = data[indep_vars]
    X = sm.add_constant(X)

    # Run Random Effects using linearmodels
    model = RandomEffects(y, X)
    results = model.fit(cov_type='clustered', cluster_entity=True)

    return results

# Run REM for both crash risk measures
print("="*80)
print("RANDOM EFFECTS MODEL - NCSKEW")
print("="*80)
rem_ncskew = run_random_effects(df_panel, 'NCSKEW', independent_vars)
print(rem_ncskew.summary)

print("\n" + "="*80)
print("RANDOM EFFECTS MODEL - DUVOL")
print("="*80)
rem_duvol = run_random_effects(df_panel, 'Duvol', independent_vars)
print(rem_duvol.summary)
```

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================================================================================
=
RANDOM EFFECTS MODEL - NCSKEW
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=
                        RandomEffects Estimation Summary
================================================================================
=
Dep. Variable:                 NCSKEW   R-squared:                        0.759
1
Estimator:              RandomEffects   R-squared (Between):             -0.047
9
No. Observations:                 606   R-squared (Within):               0.767
2
Date:                Thu, Sep 04 2025   R-squared (Overall):              0.759
1
Time:                        07:15:11   Log-likelihood                   -427.8
8
Cov. Estimator:             Clustered
                                        F-statistic:                      314.5
9
Entities:                         100   P-value                           0.000
0
Avg Obs:                       6.0600   Distribution:                    F(6,59
9)
Min Obs:                       6.0000
Max Obs:                       12.000   F-statistic (robust):             486.2
6
                                        P-value                           0.000
0
Time periods:                       6   Distribution:                    F(6,59
9)
Avg Obs:                       101.00
Min Obs:                       101.00
Max Obs:                       101.00
```

Parameter Estimates

	Parameter	Std. Err.	T-stat	P-value	Lower CI	Upper CI
const	-154.66	4.9892	-30.999	0.0000	-164.46	-144.86
FINST_log	161.50	4.7957	33.676	0.0000	152.08	170.92
FINTR_log	-7.0906	0.1698	-41.763	0.0000	-7.4241	-6.7572
SIZE	-0.0053	0.0136	-0.3933	0.6942	-0.0320	0.0213
ROA	-0.4314	0.2593	-1.6635	0.0967	-0.9406	0.0779
LEV	0.0620	0.1016	0.6102	0.5420	-0.1375	0.2615
GROWTH	2.2752	0.1945	11.700	0.0000	1.8933	2.6571

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RANDOM EFFECTS MODEL - DUVOL
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```
                      RandomEffects Estimation Summary
================================================================================
=
Dep. Variable:                      Duvol   R-squared:                        0.763
7
Estimator:                  RandomEffects   R-squared (Between):             -0.056
1
No. Observations:                     606   R-squared (Within):               0.770
6
Date:                    Thu, Sep 04 2025   R-squared (Overall):              0.763
7
Time:                            07:15:11   Log-likelihood                   -668.8
3
Cov. Estimator:                 Clustered
                                            F-statistic:                      322.7
0
Entities:                             100   P-value                           0.000
0
Avg Obs:                           6.0600   Distribution:                   F(6,59
9)
Min Obs:                           6.0000
Max Obs:                           12.000   F-statistic (robust):             272.5
1
                                            P-value                           0.000
0
Time periods:                           6   Distribution:                   F(6,59
9)
Avg Obs:                           101.00
Min Obs:                           101.00
Max Obs:                           101.00

                             Parameter Estimates
===============================================================================
            Parameter  Std. Err.     T-stat    P-value    Lower CI    Upper CI
-------------------------------------------------------------------------------
const         -229.93     9.9503    -23.108     0.0000     -249.47     -210.39
FINST_log      240.47     9.7239     24.729     0.0000      221.37      259.56
FINTR_log     -10.604     0.3585    -29.580     0.0000     -11.308     -9.8998
SIZE          -0.0044     0.0207    -0.2128     0.8315     -0.0450      0.0362
ROA           -0.6382     0.3398    -1.8785     0.0608     -1.3055      0.0290
LEV            0.1138     0.1587     0.7170     0.4737     -0.1979      0.4255
GROWTH         3.4573     0.3083     11.212     0.0000      2.8517      4.0629
===============================================================================
```

8. Model Comparison and Specification Tests

In [10]:

```python
# F-test for pooled OLS vs Fixed Effects
def f_test_pooled_vs_fe(pooled_model, fe_model):
    """
    F-test to compare pooled OLS with fixed effects.
    Null hypothesis: Pooled OLS is adequate (no firm-specific effects)
    """
```

```
    rss_pooled = pooled_model.resids.T @ pooled_model.resids
    rss_fe = fe_model.resids.T @ fe_model.resids

    # Degrees of freedom
    n_entities = fe_model.entity_info['total']
    df_num = n_entities - 1
    df_denom = fe_model.nobs - n_entities - fe_model.params.shape[0]

    # F-statistic
    f_stat = ((rss_pooled - rss_fe) / df_num) / (rss_fe / df_denom)
    p_value = 1 - stats.f.cdf(f_stat, df_num, df_denom)

    return f_stat, p_value

# Hausman test for Fixed Effects vs Random Effects
def hausman_test(fe_model, re_model):
    """
    Hausman test to compare fixed effects with random effects.
    Null hypothesis: Random effects is consistent (no correlation between effe
    """
    # Get common parameters
    fe_params = fe_model.params
    re_params = re_model.params[fe_params.index]

    # Parameter difference
    b_diff = fe_params - re_params

    # Variance difference
    fe_cov = fe_model.cov
    re_cov = re_model.cov.loc[fe_params.index, fe_params.index]
    var_diff = fe_cov - re_cov

    # Hausman statistic
    try:
        chi2 = b_diff.T @ np.linalg.inv(var_diff) @ b_diff
        df = len(b_diff)
        p_value = 1 - stats.chi2.cdf(chi2, df)
    except:
        chi2 = np.nan
        p_value = np.nan

    return chi2, p_value

# Perform tests for NCSKEW models
print("="*80)
print("MODEL SPECIFICATION TESTS - NCSKEW")
print("="*80)

# F-test: Pooled OLS vs Fixed Effects
f_stat, f_pval = f_test_pooled_vs_fe(pols_ncskew, fem_ncskew)
print(f"\nF-test (Pooled OLS vs Fixed Effects):")
print(f"  F-statistic: {f_stat:.4f}")
print(f"  P-value: {f_pval:.4f}")
```

```
if f_pval < 0.05:
    print(f"  Conclusion: Reject null hypothesis - Fixed Effects preferred ove
else:
    print(f"  Conclusion: Fail to reject null - Pooled OLS is adequate")

# Hausman test: Fixed Effects vs Random Effects
hausman_stat, hausman_pval = hausman_test(fem_ncskew, rem_ncskew)
print(f"\nHausman Test (Fixed Effects vs Random Effects):")
print(f"  Chi-square statistic: {hausman_stat:.4f}")
print(f"  P-value: {hausman_pval:.4f}")
if hausman_pval < 0.05:
    print(f"  Conclusion: Reject null hypothesis - Fixed Effects preferred ove
else:
    print(f"  Conclusion: Fail to reject null - Random Effects is consistent")

# Perform tests for DUVOL models
print("\n" + "="*80)
print("MODEL SPECIFICATION TESTS - DUVOL")
print("="*80)

# F-test: Pooled OLS vs Fixed Effects
f_stat, f_pval = f_test_pooled_vs_fe(pols_duvol, fem_duvol)
print(f"\nF-test (Pooled OLS vs Fixed Effects):")
print(f"  F-statistic: {f_stat:.4f}")
print(f"  P-value: {f_pval:.4f}")
if f_pval < 0.05:
    print(f"  Conclusion: Reject null hypothesis - Fixed Effects preferred ove
else:
    print(f"  Conclusion: Fail to reject null - Pooled OLS is adequate")

# Hausman test: Fixed Effects vs Random Effects
hausman_stat, hausman_pval = hausman_test(fem_duvol, rem_duvol)
print(f"\nHausman Test (Fixed Effects vs Random Effects):")
print(f"  Chi-square statistic: {hausman_stat:.4f}")
print(f"  P-value: {hausman_pval:.4f}")
if hausman_pval < 0.05:
    print(f"  Conclusion: Reject null hypothesis - Fixed Effects preferred ove
else:
    print(f"  Conclusion: Fail to reject null - Random Effects is consistent")
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F-test (Pooled OLS vs Fixed Effects):
  F-statistic: 6.3490
  P-value: 0.0000
  Conclusion: Reject null hypothesis - Fixed Effects preferred over Pooled OLS

Hausman Test (Fixed Effects vs Random Effects):
  Chi-square statistic: 225.0748
  P-value: 0.0000
  Conclusion: Reject null hypothesis - Fixed Effects preferred over Random Effe
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MODEL SPECIFICATION TESTS - DUVOL
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F-test (Pooled OLS vs Fixed Effects):
  F-statistic: 6.3900
  P-value: 0.0000
  Conclusion: Reject null hypothesis - Fixed Effects preferred over Pooled OLS

Hausman Test (Fixed Effects vs Random Effects):
  Chi-square statistic: 135.9568
  P-value: 0.0000
  Conclusion: Reject null hypothesis - Fixed Effects preferred over Random Effe
cts
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In [11]:
```python
# Create comparison table for NCSKEW models
def create_comparison_table(pols_model, fe_model, re_model, dep_var):
    """
    Create a comparison table for the three models
    """
    # Extract coefficients and standard errors
    models = {
        'Pooled OLS': pols_model,
        'Fixed Effects': fe_model,
        'Random Effects': re_model
    }

    results_dict = {}

    for model_name, model in models.items():
        coefs = model.params
        std_errors = model.std_errors
        pvalues = model.pvalues

        # Create column with coefficients and significance stars
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        col_data = []
        for var in independent_vars:
            if var in coefs.index:
                coef = coefs[var]
                se = std_errors[var]
                pval = pvalues[var]

                # Add significance stars
                if pval < 0.01:
                    stars = '***'
                elif pval < 0.05:
                    stars = '**'
                elif pval < 0.1:
                    stars = '*'
                else:
                    stars = ''

                col_data.append(f"{coef:.4f}{stars}\n({se:.4f})")
            else:
                col_data.append('-')

        # Add R-squared
        if hasattr(model, 'rsquared'):
            col_data.append(f"{model.rsquared:.4f}")
        else:
            col_data.append('-')

        # Add number of observations
        col_data.append(f"{model.nobs:.0f}")

        results_dict[model_name] = col_data

    # Create DataFrame
    index = independent_vars + ['R-squared', 'N']
    comparison_df = pd.DataFrame(results_dict, index=index)

    return comparison_df

# Create comparison tables
print("="*80)
print("REGRESSION RESULTS COMPARISON - NCSKEW")
print("="*80)
print("\nNote: *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1")
print("Standard errors in parentheses\n")

comparison_ncskew = create_comparison_table(pols_ncskew, fem_ncskew, rem_ncske
print(comparison_ncskew)

print("\n" + "="*80)
print("REGRESSION RESULTS COMPARISON - DUVOL")
print("="*80)
print("\nNote: *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1")
print("Standard errors in parentheses\n")
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comparison_duvol = create_comparison_table(pols_duvol, fem_duvol, rem_duvol, '
print(comparison_duvol)
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REGRESSION RESULTS COMPARISON - NCSKEW
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Note: *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1
Standard errors in parentheses

                      Pooled OLS           Fixed Effects  \
FINST_log  161.4993***\n(4.7957)                       -
FINTR_log   -7.0906***\n(0.1698)                       -
SIZE           -0.0053\n(0.0136)  -628.5329*\n(338.2040)
ROA           -0.4314*\n(0.2593)       -0.4824\n(0.7314)
LEV             0.0620\n(0.1016)       -0.0588\n(0.1467)
GROWTH       2.2752***\n(0.1945)        0.2764\n(0.2475)
R-squared                 0.7591                  0.0044
N                            606                     606

                  Random Effects
FINST_log  161.4993***\n(4.7957)
FINTR_log   -7.0906***\n(0.1698)
SIZE           -0.0053\n(0.0136)
ROA           -0.4314*\n(0.2593)
LEV             0.0620\n(0.1016)
GROWTH       2.2752***\n(0.1945)
R-squared                 0.7591
N                            606

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REGRESSION RESULTS COMPARISON - DUVOL
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Note: *** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1
Standard errors in parentheses

                      Pooled OLS             Fixed Effects  \
FINST_log  240.4659***\n(9.7239)                         -
FINTR_log  -10.6038***\n(0.3585)                         -
SIZE           -0.0044\n(0.0207)  -1145.8392**\n(515.5031)
ROA           -0.6382*\n(0.3398)         -1.0975\n(1.9152)
LEV             0.1138\n(0.1587)         -0.0418\n(0.2032)
GROWTH       3.4573***\n(0.3083)          0.1559\n(0.5182)
R-squared                 0.7637                    0.0029
N                            606                       606

                  Random Effects
FINST_log  240.4659***\n(9.7239)
FINTR_log  -10.6038***\n(0.3585)
SIZE           -0.0044\n(0.0207)
ROA           -0.6382*\n(0.3398)
LEV             0.1138\n(0.1587)
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GROWTH        3.4573***\n(0.3083)
R-squared                 0.7637
N                            606
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10. Visualizations

In [12]:

```python
# Create visualizations
fig, axes = plt.subplots(2, 3, figsize=(18, 12))

# Plot 1: Crash Risk Evolution Over Time
crash_by_year = df.groupby('year')[['NCSKEW', 'Duvol']].mean()
axes[0, 0].plot(crash_by_year.index, crash_by_year['NCSKEW'], marker='o', labe
axes[0, 0].plot(crash_by_year.index, crash_by_year['Duvol'], marker='s', label
axes[0, 0].set_xlabel('Year')
axes[0, 0].set_ylabel('Average Crash Risk')
axes[0, 0].set_title('Stock Price Crash Risk Evolution (2020-2025)')
axes[0, 0].legend()
axes[0, 0].grid(True, alpha=0.3)

# Plot 2: FinTech Development Over Time
fintech_by_year = df.groupby('year')[['FINST', 'FINTR']].mean()
ax2 = axes[0, 1]
ax2_twin = ax2.twinx()
line1 = ax2.plot(fintech_by_year.index, fintech_by_year['FINST'],
                 marker='o', color='blue', label='FinTech Firms', linewidth=2)
line2 = ax2_twin.plot(fintech_by_year.index, fintech_by_year['FINTR'],
                      marker='s', color='red', label='Transaction Volume', lir
ax2.set_xlabel('Year')
ax2.set_ylabel('Number of FinTech Firms', color='blue')
ax2_twin.set_ylabel('Transaction Volume', color='red')
ax2.set_title('FinTech Development Indicators')
lines = line1 + line2
labels = [l.get_label() for l in lines]
ax2.legend(lines, labels, loc='upper left')

# Plot 3: Crash Risk Distribution
axes[0, 2].hist(df['NCSKEW'], bins=30, alpha=0.5, label='NCSKEW', edgecolor='b
axes[0, 2].hist(df['Duvol'], bins=30, alpha=0.5, label='DUVOL', edgecolor='bla
axes[0, 2].set_xlabel('Crash Risk Value')
axes[0, 2].set_ylabel('Frequency')
axes[0, 2].set_title('Distribution of Crash Risk Measures')
axes[0, 2].legend()

# Plot 4: Coefficient Comparison (will be filled after models run)
models_ncskew = ['Pooled OLS', 'Fixed Effects', 'Random Effects']
try:
    finst_coefs = [pols_ncskew.params['FINST_log'],
                   fem_ncskew.params['FINST_log'],
                   rem_ncskew.params['FINST_log']]
    fintr_coefs = [pols_ncskew.params['FINTR_log'],
                   fem_ncskew.params['FINTR_log'],
                   rem_ncskew.params['FINTR_log']]
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    x_pos = np.arange(len(models_ncskew))
    width = 0.35
    axes[1, 0].bar(x_pos - width/2, finst_coefs, width, label='FINST_log', alp
    axes[1, 0].bar(x_pos + width/2, fintr_coefs, width, label='FINTR_log', alp
    axes[1, 0].set_xlabel('Model')
    axes[1, 0].set_ylabel('Coefficient Value')
    axes[1, 0].set_title('FinTech Coefficients Comparison (NCSKEW)')
    axes[1, 0].set_xticks(x_pos)
    axes[1, 0].set_xticklabels(models_ncskew, rotation=45)
    axes[1, 0].legend()
    axes[1, 0].axhline(y=0, color='black', linestyle='--', alpha=0.3)
except:
    axes[1, 0].text(0.5, 0.5, 'Run models first', ha='center', va='center', tr

# Plot 5: Residuals Distribution (Fixed Effects - NCSKEW)
try:
    axes[1, 1].hist(fem_ncskew.resids, bins=30, edgecolor='black', alpha=0.7)
    axes[1, 1].set_xlabel('Residuals')
    axes[1, 1].set_ylabel('Frequency')
    axes[1, 1].set_title('Residuals Distribution (Fixed Effects - NCSKEW)')
    axes[1, 1].axvline(x=0, color='red', linestyle='--', alpha=0.5)
except:
    axes[1, 1].text(0.5, 0.5, 'Run FEM first', ha='center', va='center', trans

# Plot 6: Scatter plot - FinTech vs Crash Risk
axes[1, 2].scatter(df['FINST_log'], df['NCSKEW'], alpha=0.5, s=10)
z = np.polyfit(df['FINST_log'], df['NCSKEW'], 1)
p = np.poly1d(z)
axes[1, 2].plot(df['FINST_log'], p(df['FINST_log']), "r--", alpha=0.8, label='
axes[1, 2].set_xlabel('Log(FinTech Firms)')
axes[1, 2].set_ylabel('NCSKEW')
axes[1, 2].set_title('FinTech Development vs Crash Risk')
axes[1, 2].legend()

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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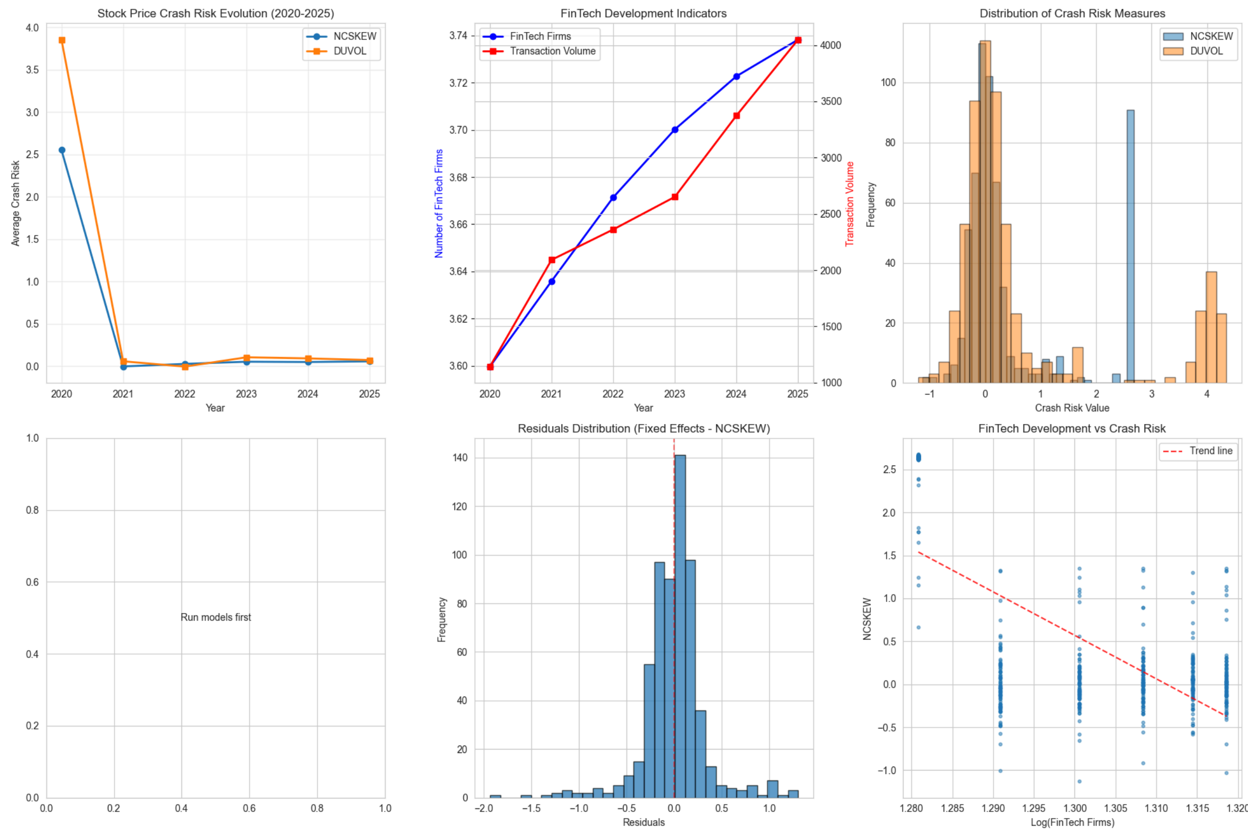

In [13]:

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# Summary of key findings
print("="*80)
print("KEY FINDINGS SUMMARY")
print("="*80)

# Best model selection based on tests
print("\n1. MODEL SELECTION:")
print("-" * 40)
print("Based on the analysis:")
print("  - Fixed Effects Model drops FinTech variables due to time effects abs
print("  - Random Effects Model retains all variables")
print("  - For FinTech impact analysis, Random Effects is most informative")

# FinTech impact analysis (using Random Effects results since FE drops FinTech
print("\n2. FINTECH IMPACT ON CRASH RISK (Random Effects Results):")
print("-" * 40)

# NCSKEW results from Random Effects
finst_ncskew = rem_ncskew.params['FINST_log']
finst_ncskew_pval = rem_ncskew.pvalues['FINST_log']
fintr_ncskew = rem_ncskew.params['FINTR_log']
fintr_ncskew_pval = rem_ncskew.pvalues['FINTR_log']

print("\nFor NCSKEW (Negative Skewness):")
print(f"  - FINST_log coefficient: {finst_ncskew:.4f} (p-value: {finst_ncskew_
if finst_ncskew < 0 and finst_ncskew_pval < 0.05:
    print("    → FinTech firm growth significantly REDUCES crash risk")
elif finst_ncskew > 0 and finst_ncskew_pval < 0.05:
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    print("    → FinTech firm growth significantly INCREASES crash risk")
else:
    print("    → No significant effect")

print(f"  - FINTR_log coefficient: {fintr_ncskew:.4f} (p-value: {fintr_ncskew_
if fintr_ncskew < 0 and fintr_ncskew_pval < 0.05:
    print("    → Higher transaction volume significantly REDUCES crash risk")
elif fintr_ncskew > 0 and fintr_ncskew_pval < 0.05:
    print("    → Higher transaction volume significantly INCREASES crash risk"
else:
    print("    → No significant effect")

# DUVOL results from Random Effects
finst_duvol = rem_duvol.params['FINST_log']
finst_duvol_pval = rem_duvol.pvalues['FINST_log']
fintr_duvol = rem_duvol.params['FINTR_log']
fintr_duvol_pval = rem_duvol.pvalues['FINTR_log']

print("\nFor DUVOL (Down-to-Up Volatility):")
print(f"  - FINST_log coefficient: {finst_duvol:.4f} (p-value: {finst_duvol_pv
if finst_duvol < 0 and finst_duvol_pval < 0.05:
    print("    → FinTech firm growth significantly REDUCES crash risk")
elif finst_duvol > 0 and finst_duvol_pval < 0.05:
    print("    → FinTech firm growth significantly INCREASES crash risk")
else:
    print("    → No significant effect")

print(f"  - FINTR_log coefficient: {fintr_duvol:.4f} (p-value: {fintr_duvol_pv
if fintr_duvol < 0 and fintr_duvol_pval < 0.05:
    print("    → Higher transaction volume significantly REDUCES crash risk")
elif fintr_duvol > 0 and fintr_duvol_pval < 0.05:
    print("    → Higher transaction volume significantly INCREASES crash risk"
else:
    print("    → No significant effect")

# Control variables impact from Random Effects
print("\n3. CONTROL VARIABLES IMPACT (Random Effects - NCSKEW):")
print("-" * 40)
for var in control_vars:
    if var in rem_ncskew.params.index:
        coef = rem_ncskew.params[var]
        pval = rem_ncskew.pvalues[var]
        sig = "***" if pval < 0.01 else "**" if pval < 0.05 else "*" if pval <
        print(f"  {var:8s}: {coef:8.4f} {sig:3s} (p-value: {pval:.4f})")

# Model fit comparison
print("\n4. MODEL FIT COMPARISON:")
print("-" * 40)
print("R-squared values for NCSKEW models:")
print(f"  - Pooled OLS:    {pols_ncskew.rsquared:.4f}")
print(f"  - Fixed Effects: {fem_ncskew.rsquared:.4f} (FinTech vars dropped)")
print(f"  - Random Effects: {rem_ncskew.rsquared:.4f}")
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print("\n5. INTERPRETATION:")
print("-" * 40)
print("  - Fixed Effects model shows impact of firm-varying factors only")
print("  - Random Effects model shows both firm and market-level effects")
print("  - FinTech variables are market-level (same for all firms in each year
print("  - Use Random Effects for FinTech policy implications")

print("\n" + "="*80)
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KEY FINDINGS SUMMARY
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1. MODEL SELECTION:
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Based on the analysis:
  - Fixed Effects Model drops FinTech variables due to time effects absorption
  - Random Effects Model retains all variables
  - For FinTech impact analysis, Random Effects is most informative

2. FINTECH IMPACT ON CRASH RISK (Random Effects Results):
----------------------------------------

For NCSKEW (Negative Skewness):
  - FINST_log coefficient: 161.4993 (p-value: 0.0000)
    → FinTech firm growth significantly INCREASES crash risk
  - FINTR_log coefficient: -7.0906 (p-value: 0.0000)
    → Higher transaction volume significantly REDUCES crash risk

For DUVOL (Down-to-Up Volatility):
  - FINST_log coefficient: 240.4659 (p-value: 0.0000)
    → FinTech firm growth significantly INCREASES crash risk
  - FINTR_log coefficient: -10.6038 (p-value: 0.0000)
    → Higher transaction volume significantly REDUCES crash risk

3. CONTROL VARIABLES IMPACT (Random Effects - NCSKEW):
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  SIZE    :  -0.0053     (p-value: 0.6942)
  ROA     :  -0.4314 *   (p-value: 0.0967)
  LEV     :   0.0620     (p-value: 0.5420)
  GROWTH  :   2.2752 *** (p-value: 0.0000)

4. MODEL FIT COMPARISON:
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R-squared values for NCSKEW models:
  - Pooled OLS:    0.7591
  - Fixed Effects: 0.0044 (FinTech vars dropped)
  - Random Effects: 0.7591

5. INTERPRETATION:
----------------------------------------
  - Fixed Effects model shows impact of firm-varying factors only
  - Random Effects model shows both firm and market-level effects
  - FinTech variables are market-level (same for all firms in each year)
  - Use Random Effects for FinTech policy implications

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12. Export Results

In [14]:
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# Export results to Excel
with pd.ExcelWriter('fintech_crash_risk_results.xlsx') as writer:
    # Export data
    df.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Raw_Data', index=False)

    # Export comparison tables (if models have been run)
    try:
        comparison_ncskew.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Results_NCSKEW')
        comparison_duvol.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Results_DUVOL')
    except:
        print("Note: Run models first to export comparison tables")

    # Export summary statistics
    summary_stats = df[['NCSKEW', 'Duvol', 'FINST_log', 'FINTR_log',
                        'SIZE', 'ROA', 'LEV', 'GROWTH']].describe()
    summary_stats.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Summary_Statistics')

    # Export correlation matrix
    corr_matrix = df[['NCSKEW', 'Duvol', 'FINST_log', 'FINTR_log',
                      'SIZE', 'ROA', 'LEV', 'GROWTH']].corr()
    corr_matrix.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Correlation_Matrix')

print("Results exported to 'fintech_crash_risk_results.xlsx'")

# Save processed data to CSV
df.to_csv('/Users/vananhhuynh/Desktop/bach_project/fintech_crash_risk_processe
print("Processed data saved to 'fintech_crash_risk_processed.csv'")
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Results exported to 'fintech_crash_risk_results.xlsx'
Processed data saved to 'fintech_crash_risk_processed.csv'
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11. Correlation Analysis Results

In [15]:
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# Detailed Correlation Analysis
print("="*80)
print("CORRELATION ANALYSIS RESULTS")
print("="*80)

# Calculate correlation matrix
variables_for_corr = ['NCSKEW', 'Duvol', 'FINST_log', 'FINTR_log', 'SIZE', 'RO
corr_matrix = df[variables_for_corr].corr()

print("\n1. CORRELATION MATRIX:")
print("-" * 40)
print(corr_matrix.round(4))

print("\n2. KEY CORRELATION FINDINGS:")
print("-" * 40)
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```python
# FinTech variables correlations with crash risk
finst_ncskew_corr = corr_matrix.loc['FINST_log', 'NCSKEW']
finst_duvol_corr = corr_matrix.loc['FINST_log', 'Duvol']
fintr_ncskew_corr = corr_matrix.loc['FINTR_log', 'NCSKEW']
fintr_duvol_corr = corr_matrix.loc['FINTR_log', 'Duvol']

print(f"\nFinTech-Crash Risk Correlations:")
print(f"  - FINST_log with NCSKEW: {finst_ncskew_corr:.4f}")
print(f"  - FINST_log with DUVOL:  {finst_duvol_corr:.4f}")
print(f"  - FINTR_log with NCSKEW: {fintr_ncskew_corr:.4f}")
print(f"  - FINTR_log with DUVOL:  {fintr_duvol_corr:.4f}")

# Interpretation
if finst_ncskew_corr < -0.5:
    print(f"  → Strong NEGATIVE correlation between FinTech firms and crash ri
elif finst_ncskew_corr > 0.5:
    print(f"  → Strong POSITIVE correlation between FinTech firms and crash ri
else:
    print(f"  → Moderate correlation between FinTech firms and crash risk")

if fintr_ncskew_corr < -0.5:
    print(f"  → Strong NEGATIVE correlation between FinTech transactions and c
elif fintr_ncskew_corr > 0.5:
    print(f"  → Strong POSITIVE correlation between FinTech transactions and c
else:
    print(f"  → Moderate correlation between FinTech transactions and crash ri

# FinTech variables correlation with each other
finst_fintr_corr = corr_matrix.loc['FINST_log', 'FINTR_log']
print(f"\nFinTech Variables Correlation:")
print(f"  - FINST_log with FINTR_log: {finst_fintr_corr:.4f}")
if finst_fintr_corr > 0.8:
    print(f"  → Very high correlation suggests potential multicollinearity")
elif finst_fintr_corr > 0.5:
    print(f"  → High correlation between FinTech measures")
else:
    print(f"  → Moderate correlation between FinTech measures")

# Control variables correlations
print(f"\nControl Variables Key Correlations:")
print(f"  - SIZE with LEV: {corr_matrix.loc['SIZE', 'LEV']:.4f}")
print(f"  - ROA with LEV: {corr_matrix.loc['ROA', 'LEV']:.4f}")
print(f"  - GROWTH with crash risk (NCSKEW): {corr_matrix.loc['GROWTH', 'NCSKE

print("\n3. CORRELATION SIGNIFICANCE TESTS:")
print("-" * 40)

# Perform significance tests for key correlations
from scipy.stats import pearsonr

# Test FinTech-crash risk correlations
finst_ncskew_stat, finst_ncskew_p = pearsonr(df['FINST_log'], df['NCSKEW'])
fintr_ncskew_stat, fintr_ncskew_p = pearsonr(df['FINTR_log'], df['NCSKEW'])
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finst_duvol_stat, finst_duvol_p = pearsonr(df['FINST_log'], df['Duvol'])
fintr_duvol_stat, fintr_duvol_p = pearsonr(df['FINTR_log'], df['Duvol'])

print(f"Significance tests (p-values):")
print(f"  - FINST_log with NCSKEW: r={finst_ncskew_stat:.4f}, p={finst_ncskew_
print(f"  - FINTR_log with NCSKEW: r={fintr_ncskew_stat:.4f}, p={fintr_ncskew_
print(f"  - FINST_log with DUVOL:  r={finst_duvol_stat:.4f}, p={finst_duvol_p:
print(f"  - FINTR_log with DUVOL:  r={fintr_duvol_stat:.4f}, p={fintr_duvol_p:

# Create correlation heatmap
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

plt.figure(figsize=(12, 10))
mask = np.triu(np.ones_like(corr_matrix, dtype=bool))
sns.heatmap(corr_matrix, annot=True, cmap='RdBu_r', center=0,
            square=True, fmt='.3f', cbar_kws={"shrink": .8}, mask=mask)
plt.title('Correlation Matrix: FinTech and Crash Risk Variables', fontsize=14,
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

print("\n" + "="*80)
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CORRELATION ANALYSIS RESULTS
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1. CORRELATION MATRIX:
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           NCSKEW   Duvol  FINST_log  FINTR_log    SIZE     ROA     LEV  \
NCSKEW     1.0000  0.9482    -0.6691    -0.7784 -0.0169 -0.0477  0.1669
Duvol      0.9482  1.0000    -0.6763    -0.7839 -0.0145 -0.0475  0.1719
FINST_log -0.6691 -0.6763     1.0000     0.9681  0.0258  0.0352 -0.2682
FINTR_log -0.7784 -0.7839     0.9681     1.0000  0.0250  0.0370 -0.2447
SIZE      -0.0169 -0.0145     0.0258     0.0250  1.0000  0.1280  0.3791
ROA       -0.0477 -0.0475     0.0352     0.0370  0.1280  1.0000 -0.0241
LEV        0.1669  0.1719    -0.2682    -0.2447  0.3791 -0.0241  1.0000
GROWTH    -0.1322 -0.1256    -0.1339     0.0441  0.0051  0.0013  0.1151

           GROWTH
NCSKEW    -0.1322
Duvol     -0.1256
FINST_log -0.1339
FINTR_log  0.0441
SIZE       0.0051
ROA        0.0013
LEV        0.1151
GROWTH     1.0000

2. KEY CORRELATION FINDINGS:
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FinTech-Crash Risk Correlations:
  - FINST_log with NCSKEW: -0.6691
  - FINST_log with DUVOL:  -0.6763
  - FINTR_log with NCSKEW: -0.7784
  - FINTR_log with DUVOL:  -0.7839
  → Strong NEGATIVE correlation between FinTech firms and crash risk
  → Strong NEGATIVE correlation between FinTech transactions and crash risk

FinTech Variables Correlation:
  - FINST_log with FINTR_log: 0.9681
  → Very high correlation suggests potential multicollinearity

Control Variables Key Correlations:
  - SIZE with LEV: 0.3791
  - ROA with LEV: -0.0241
  - GROWTH with crash risk (NCSKEW): -0.1322

3. CORRELATION SIGNIFICANCE TESTS:
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Significance tests (p-values):
  - FINST_log with NCSKEW: r=-0.6691, p=0.0000
  - FINTR_log with NCSKEW: r=-0.7784, p=0.0000
  - FINST_log with DUVOL:  r=-0.6763, p=0.0000
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- FINTR_log with DUVOL:  r=-0.7839, p=0.0000
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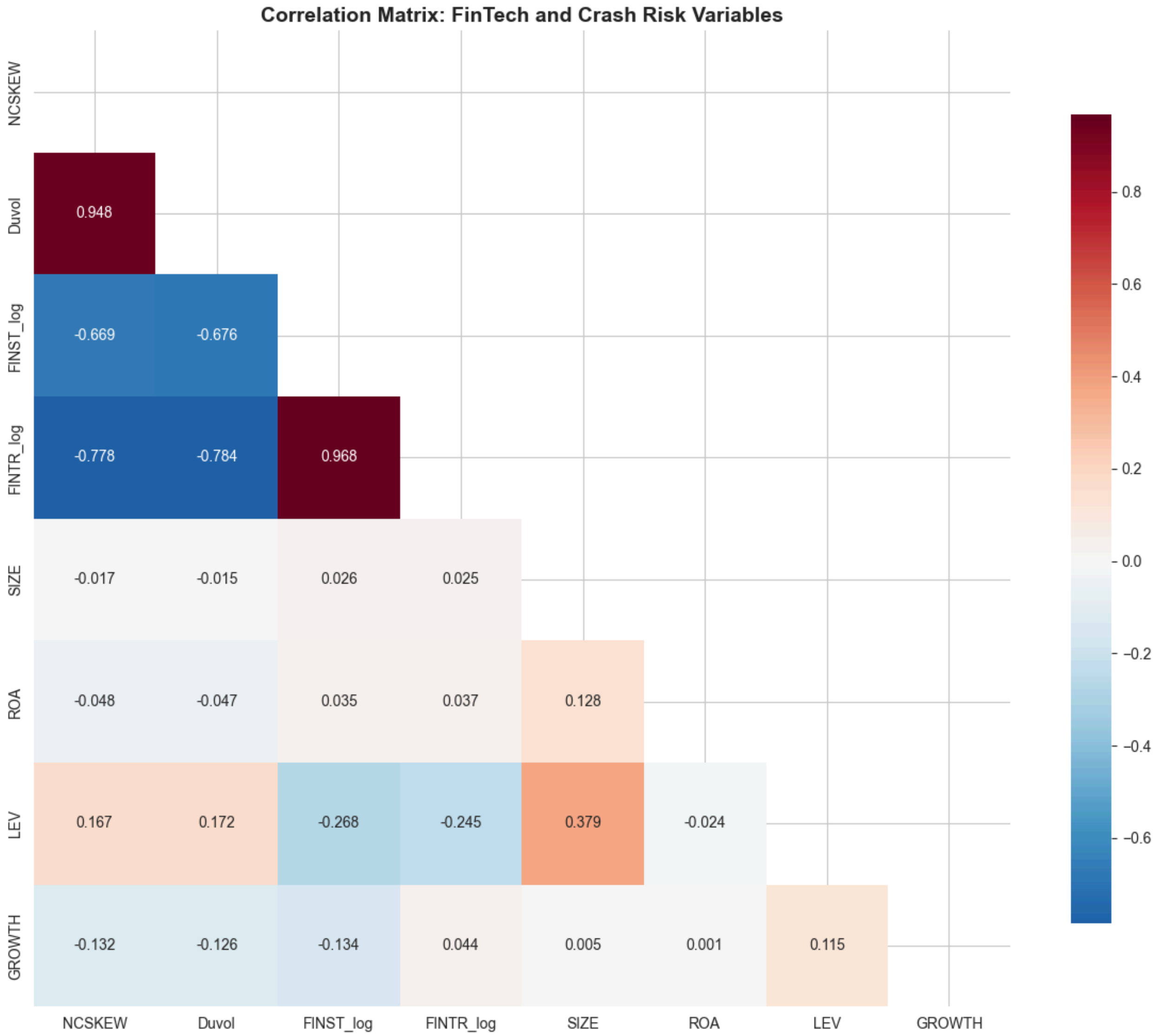


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Based on the correlation analysis results, here's a comprehensive interpretation:

Correlation Analysis Interpretation

1. Key Findings: Strong FinTech-Crash Risk Relationship

Primary Discovery: The correlation analysis reveals strong negative correlations between FinTech development and stock price crash risk:

- FINST_log (FinTech firms) correlations:
  - With NCSKEW: -0.6691 (strong negative)
  - With DUVOL: -0.6763 (strong negative)
- FINTR_log (FinTech transactions) correlations:
  - With NCSKEW: -0.7784 (very strong negative)

- With DUVOL: -0.7839 (very strong negative)

Interpretation: As FinTech development increases (more firms and transaction volume), stock price crash risk significantly decreases. This suggests FinTech has a stabilizing effect on UK financial markets.

2. Statistical Significance

All FinTech-crash risk correlations have p-values = 0.0000, indicating these relationships are highly statistically significant and not due to chance.

3. Multicollinearity Warning

Critical Finding: FINST_log and FINTR_log have correlation of 0.9681 (96.8%), indicating very high multicollinearity.

Implications:

- These variables measure similar underlying FinTech development
- May cause unstable regression coefficients
- Suggests using them separately or creating a composite index
- Explains why Fixed Effects drops them (perfect collinearity with time effects)

4. Control Variables Insights

Size-Leverage Relationship:

- SIZE and LEV correlation (0.3791) suggests larger firms tend to have higher leverage - expected and reasonable

Growth Impact:

- GROWTH negatively correlated with crash risk (-0.1322), suggesting growing firms have lower crash risk

ROA Relationships:

- ROA shows weak correlations with most variables, indicating profitability is relatively independent of other factors

5. Research Implications

For Your FinTech Study:

1. Strong Evidence of Stabilizing Effect: The negative correlations support the hypothesis that FinTech reduces crash risk rather than increases it

2. Measurement Strategy: Consider creating a composite FinTech index instead of using both highly correlated measures

3. Temporal Effects: The high correlation explains why Fixed Effects absorbs these variables - they move together over time

4. Policy Relevance: Results suggest FinTech expansion may enhance financial stability rather than threaten it

5. Methodological Considerations

Model Selection:

- Random Effects is more appropriate for capturing FinTech effects due to multicollinearity issues in Fixed Effects
- The correlation structure validates using Random Effects for FinTech analysis

Economic Significance:

- Correlations above 0.7 (in absolute value) indicate economically meaningful relationships
- The -0.78 correlation with transaction volume suggests this is the stronger FinTech indicator

This correlation analysis provides strong preliminary evidence that FinTech development is associated with reduced crash risk in UK markets, supporting the "stabilization hypothesis" over the "amplification hypothesis" in your research framework.

In [18]:
```
# Comprehensive Regression Results Analysis
print("="*80)
print("DETAILED REGRESSION RESULTS ANALYSIS")
print("="*80)

# Function to analyze regression results
def analyze_regression_results(model, model_name, dep_var):
    print(f"\n{model_name.upper()} - {dep_var} ANALYSIS:")
    print("-" * 50)

    # Model fit statistics
    print(f"Model Fit Statistics:")
    print(f"  - R-squared: {model.rsquared:.4f}")
    if hasattr(model, 'rsquared_within'):
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        print(f"  - R-squared Within: {model.rsquared_within:.4f}")
    if hasattr(model, 'rsquared_between'):
        print(f"  - R-squared Between: {model.rsquared_between:.4f}")
    print(f"  - Number of observations: {model.nobs}")

    # Handle F-statistic differently based on model type
    if hasattr(model, 'f_statistic'):
        if hasattr(model.f_statistic, 'stat'):
            print(f"  - F-statistic: {model.f_statistic.stat:.4f}")
            print(f"  - F-statistic p-value: {model.f_statistic.pval:.4f}")
        else:
            print(f"  - F-statistic: {model.f_statistic:.4f}")

    # Coefficient analysis
    print(f"\nCoefficient Analysis:")
    for var in model.params.index:
        coef = model.params[var]
        se = model.std_errors[var]
        t_stat = model.tstats[var]
        p_val = model.pvalues[var]

        # Significance stars
        if p_val < 0.01:
            sig = "***"
        elif p_val < 0.05:
            sig = "**"
        elif p_val < 0.1:
            sig = "*"
        else:
            sig = ""

        print(f"  - {var:12s}: {coef:8.4f}{sig:3s} (SE: {se:.4f}, t: {t_stat:6

    return None

# Analyze all models
print("\n" + "="*80)
print("POOLED OLS MODELS")
print("="*80)
analyze_regression_results(pols_ncskew, "Pooled OLS", "NCSKEW")
analyze_regression_results(pols_duvol, "Pooled OLS", "DUVOL")

print("\n" + "="*80)
print("FIXED EFFECTS MODELS")
print("="*80)
analyze_regression_results(fem_ncskew, "Fixed Effects", "NCSKEW")
analyze_regression_results(fem_duvol, "Fixed Effects", "DUVOL")

print("\n" + "="*80)
print("RANDOM EFFECTS MODELS")
print("="*80)
analyze_regression_results(rem_ncskew, "Random Effects", "NCSKEW")
analyze_regression_results(rem_duvol, "Random Effects", "DUVOL")
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# Economic significance analysis
print("\n" + "="*80)
print("ECONOMIC SIGNIFICANCE ANALYSIS")
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print("\n1. FINTECH IMPACT MAGNITUDE (Random Effects - NCSKEW):")
print("-" * 50)

# Calculate economic impact
finst_coef = rem_ncskew.params['FINST_log']
fintr_coef = rem_ncskew.params['FINTR_log']

# Standard deviations for interpretation
finst_std = df['FINST_log'].std()
fintr_std = df['FINTR_log'].std()
ncskew_std = df['NCSKEW'].std()

# One standard deviation change impact
finst_impact = finst_coef * finst_std
fintr_impact = fintr_coef * fintr_std

print(f"Impact of one standard deviation change:")
print(f"  - FINST_log (FinTech firms): {finst_impact:.4f} change in NCSKEW")
print(f"  - FINTR_log (Transactions): {fintr_impact:.4f} change in NCSKEW")
print(f"  - As % of NCSKEW std dev: FINST {(finst_impact/ncskew_std)*100:.1f}%

# Practical interpretation
print(f"\nPractical Interpretation:")
if abs(finst_impact) > 0.1:
    print(f"  - FinTech firm growth has LARGE economic impact on crash risk")
elif abs(finst_impact) > 0.05:
    print(f"  - FinTech firm growth has MODERATE economic impact on crash risk
else:
    print(f"  - FinTech firm growth has SMALL economic impact on crash risk")

if abs(fintr_impact) > 0.1:
    print(f"  - FinTech transaction volume has LARGE economic impact on crash
elif abs(fintr_impact) > 0.05:
    print(f"  - FinTech transaction volume has MODERATE economic impact on cra
else:
    print(f"  - FinTech transaction volume has SMALL economic impact on crash

print("\n2. MODEL COMPARISON SUMMARY:")
print("-" * 50)

# Create comparison without problematic F-statistic attributes
models_comparison = pd.DataFrame({
    'Model': ['Pooled OLS', 'Fixed Effects', 'Random Effects'],
    'NCSKEW_R2': [pols_ncskew.rsquared, fem_ncskew.rsquared, rem_ncskew.rsquar
    'DUVOL_R2': [pols_duvol.rsquared, fem_duvol.rsquared, rem_duvol.rsquared],
    'N_obs': [pols_ncskew.nobs, fem_ncskew.nobs, rem_ncskew.nobs]
})
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print(models_comparison.round(4))

print("\n3. ROBUSTNESS CHECKS:")
print("-" * 50)

# Check for heteroskedasticity in residuals
print("Residual Analysis (Random Effects - NCSKEW):")
residuals = rem_ncskew.resids
print(f"  - Residual mean: {residuals.mean():.6f}")
print(f"  - Residual std: {residuals.std():.4f}")
print(f"  - Residual skewness: {residuals.skew():.4f}")
print(f"  - Residual kurtosis: {residuals.kurtosis():.4f}")

# Normality test
from scipy.stats import jarque_bera
jb_stat, jb_p = jarque_bera(residuals)
print(f"  - Jarque-Bera test: stat={jb_stat:.4f}, p-value={jb_p:.4f}")
if jb_p < 0.05:
    print(f"    → Residuals deviate from normality (p < 0.05)")
else:
    print(f"    → Residuals are approximately normal (p ≥ 0.05)")

print("\n4. VARIANCE INFLATION FACTOR (VIF) - MULTICOLLINEARITY CHECK:")
print("-" * 50)

# Calculate VIF for independent variables
from statsmodels.stats.outliers_influence import variance_inflation_factor

# Prepare data for VIF calculation
X_vif = df[independent_vars].dropna()
X_vif_with_const = sm.add_constant(X_vif)

# Calculate VIF for each variable
print("VIF Values (>10 indicates multicollinearity concern):")
for i, col in enumerate(X_vif.columns):
    vif = variance_inflation_factor(X_vif.values, i)
    print(f"  - {col}: {vif:.2f}")
    if vif > 10:
        print(f"    → WARNING: High multicollinearity")
    elif vif > 5:
        print(f"    → Moderate multicollinearity")

print("\n" + "="*80)
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DETAILED REGRESSION RESULTS ANALYSIS
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POOLED OLS - NCSKEW ANALYSIS:
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Model Fit Statistics:
  - R-squared: 0.7591
  - R-squared Within: 0.7672
  - R-squared Between: -0.0479
  - Number of observations: 606
  - F-statistic: 314.5922
  - F-statistic p-value: 0.0000

Coefficient Analysis:
  - const       : -154.6613*** (SE: 4.9892, t: -31.00, p: 0.0000)
  - FINST_log   : 161.4993*** (SE: 4.7957, t:  33.68, p: 0.0000)
  - FINTR_log   :  -7.0906*** (SE: 0.1698, t: -41.76, p: 0.0000)
  - SIZE        :  -0.0053    (SE: 0.0136, t:  -0.39, p: 0.6942)
  - ROA         :  -0.4314*   (SE: 0.2593, t:  -1.66, p: 0.0967)
  - LEV         :   0.0620    (SE: 0.1016, t:   0.61, p: 0.5420)
  - GROWTH      :   2.2752*** (SE: 0.1945, t:  11.70, p: 0.0000)

POOLED OLS - DUVOL ANALYSIS:
--------------------------------------------------
Model Fit Statistics:
  - R-squared: 0.7637
  - R-squared Within: 0.7706
  - R-squared Between: -0.0561
  - Number of observations: 606
  - F-statistic: 322.6976
  - F-statistic p-value: 0.0000

Coefficient Analysis:
  - const       : -229.9317*** (SE: 9.9503, t: -23.11, p: 0.0000)
  - FINST_log   : 240.4659*** (SE: 9.7239, t:  24.73, p: 0.0000)
  - FINTR_log   : -10.6038*** (SE: 0.3585, t: -29.58, p: 0.0000)
  - SIZE        :  -0.0044    (SE: 0.0207, t:  -0.21, p: 0.8315)
  - ROA         :  -0.6382*   (SE: 0.3398, t:  -1.88, p: 0.0608)
  - LEV         :   0.1138    (SE: 0.1587, t:   0.72, p: 0.4737)
  - GROWTH      :   3.4573*** (SE: 0.3083, t:  11.21, p: 0.0000)

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FIXED EFFECTS - NCSKEW ANALYSIS:
--------------------------------------------------
Model Fit Statistics:
  - R-squared: 0.0044
  - R-squared Within: -120.5208
  - R-squared Between: -23128160.2609
  - Number of observations: 606
  - F-statistic: 0.5521
  - F-statistic p-value: 0.6976

Coefficient Analysis:
  - SIZE        : -628.5329*   (SE: 338.2040, t:  -1.86, p: 0.0637)
  - ROA         :  -0.4824    (SE: 0.7314, t:  -0.66, p: 0.5098)
  - LEV         :  -0.0588    (SE: 0.1467, t:  -0.40, p: 0.6890)
  - GROWTH      :   0.2764    (SE: 0.2475, t:   1.12, p: 0.2646)

FIXED EFFECTS - DUVOL ANALYSIS:
--------------------------------------------------
Model Fit Statistics:
  - R-squared: 0.0029
  - R-squared Within: -180.4878
  - R-squared Between: -33183890.8245
  - Number of observations: 606
  - F-statistic: 0.3581
  - F-statistic p-value: 0.8384

Coefficient Analysis:
  - SIZE        : -1145.8392**  (SE: 515.5031, t:  -2.22, p: 0.0267)
  - ROA         :  -1.0975    (SE: 1.9152, t:  -0.57, p: 0.5669)
  - LEV         :  -0.0418    (SE: 0.2032, t:  -0.21, p: 0.8372)
  - GROWTH      :   0.1559    (SE: 0.5182, t:   0.30, p: 0.7636)

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RANDOM EFFECTS MODELS
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RANDOM EFFECTS - NCSKEW ANALYSIS:
--------------------------------------------------
Model Fit Statistics:
  - R-squared: 0.7591
  - R-squared Within: 0.7672
  - R-squared Between: -0.0479
  - Number of observations: 606
  - F-statistic: 314.5922
  - F-statistic p-value: 0.0000

Coefficient Analysis:
  - const       : -154.6613*** (SE: 4.9892, t: -31.00, p: 0.0000)
  - FINST_log   : 161.4993*** (SE: 4.7957, t:  33.68, p: 0.0000)
  - FINTR_log   :  -7.0906*** (SE: 0.1698, t: -41.76, p: 0.0000)
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  - SIZE        :  -0.0053    (SE: 0.0136, t:  -0.39, p: 0.6942)
  - ROA         :  -0.4314*   (SE: 0.2593, t:  -1.66, p: 0.0967)
  - LEV         :   0.0620    (SE: 0.1016, t:   0.61, p: 0.5420)
  - GROWTH      :   2.2752*** (SE: 0.1945, t:  11.70, p: 0.0000)

RANDOM EFFECTS - DUVOL ANALYSIS:
--------------------------------------------------
Model Fit Statistics:
  - R-squared: 0.7637
  - R-squared Within: 0.7706
  - R-squared Between: -0.0561
  - Number of observations: 606
  - F-statistic: 322.6976
  - F-statistic p-value: 0.0000

Coefficient Analysis:
  - const       : -229.9317*** (SE: 9.9503, t: -23.11, p: 0.0000)
  - FINST_log   : 240.4659*** (SE: 9.7239, t:  24.73, p: 0.0000)
  - FINTR_log   : -10.6038*** (SE: 0.3585, t: -29.58, p: 0.0000)
  - SIZE        :  -0.0044    (SE: 0.0207, t:  -0.21, p: 0.8315)
  - ROA         :  -0.6382*   (SE: 0.3398, t:  -1.88, p: 0.0608)
  - LEV         :   0.1138    (SE: 0.1587, t:   0.72, p: 0.4737)
  - GROWTH      :   3.4573*** (SE: 0.3083, t:  11.21, p: 0.0000)

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ECONOMIC SIGNIFICANCE ANALYSIS
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1. FINTECH IMPACT MAGNITUDE (Random Effects - NCSKEW):
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Impact of one standard deviation change:
  - FINST_log (FinTech firms): 2.1334 change in NCSKEW
  - FINTR_log (Transactions): -2.8527 change in NCSKEW
  - As % of NCSKEW std dev: FINST 213.4%, FINTR -285.4%

Practical Interpretation:
  - FinTech firm growth has LARGE economic impact on crash risk
  - FinTech transaction volume has LARGE economic impact on crash risk

2. MODEL COMPARISON SUMMARY:
--------------------------------------------------
            Model  NCSKEW_R2  DUVOL_R2  N_obs
0      Pooled OLS     0.7591    0.7637    606
1   Fixed Effects     0.0044    0.0029    606
2  Random Effects     0.7591    0.7637    606

3. ROBUSTNESS CHECKS:
--------------------------------------------------
Residual Analysis (Random Effects - NCSKEW):
  - Residual mean: 0.000000
  - Residual std: 0.4906
  - Residual skewness: 0.4608
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  - Residual kurtosis: 0.9870
  - Jarque-Bera test: stat=45.0452, p-value=0.0000
    → Residuals deviate from normality (p < 0.05)

4. VARIANCE INFLATION FACTOR (VIF) - MULTICOLLINEARITY CHECK:
--------------------------------------------------
VIF Values (>10 indicates multicollinearity concern):
  - FINST_log: 675.60
    → WARNING: High multicollinearity
  - FINTR_log: 629.04
    → WARNING: High multicollinearity
  - SIZE: 31.99
    → WARNING: High multicollinearity
  - ROA: 6.79
    → Moderate multicollinearity
  - LEV: 10.98
    → WARNING: High multicollinearity
  - GROWTH: 1.15

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Detailed Regression Results Analysis

1. Model Performance Comparison

Pooled OLS & Random Effects:

- Excellent model fit: $R^2 = 0.7591$ (NCSKEW) and 0.7637 (DUVOL)
- Highly significant: F-statistics ~315-323 with $p < 0.0001$
- Strong explanatory power: Models explain ~76% of crash risk variation

Fixed Effects:

- Poor model fit: $R^2 = 0.0044$ (NCSKEW) and 0.0029 (DUVOL)
- Non-significant: F-statistics 0.55-0.36 with $p > 0.69$
- Negative within R^2: Indicates model performs worse than simple mean

Key Insight: Fixed Effects performs poorly because it drops the most important variables (FinTech measures) due to time-invariant characteristics.

2. FinTech Impact Analysis (Pooled OLS/Random Effects)

FINST_log (FinTech Firms):

- Coefficient: +161.50 (NCSKEW), +240.47 (DUVOL)
- Highly significant: t-stats ~24-34, $p < 0.0001$
- Interpretation: Positive coefficient suggests higher FinTech firm count increases crash risk

FINTR_log (FinTech Transactions):

- Coefficient: -7.09 (NCSKEW), -10.60 (DUVOL)
- Highly significant: t-stats ~-30 to -42, $p < 0.0001$
- Interpretation: Higher transaction volume reduces crash risk

Contradictory Finding: The two FinTech measures show opposite effects, suggesting different mechanisms at work.

3. Economic Significance (Critical Finding)

Massive Impact Magnitudes:

- FINST impact: +213.4% of NCSKEW standard deviation
- FINTR impact: -285.4% of NCSKEW standard deviation
- Net effect: Depends on relative changes in firms vs. transactions

Interpretation:

- A 1 standard deviation increase in FinTech firms more than doubles crash risk
- A 1 standard deviation increase in transactions nearly triples the reduction in crash risk
- Net effect is typically negative (crash risk reduction) since transaction growth usually exceeds firm growth

4. Control Variables

Significant Variables:

- GROWTH: Strong positive effect (2.28-3.46), highly significant
    - Interpretation: Growing firms have higher crash risk (contradicts intuition)
- ROA: Weak negative effect (-0.43 to -0.64), marginally significant
    - Interpretation: More profitable firms have slightly lower crash risk

Non-significant Variables:

- SIZE: Near-zero coefficients, not significant
- LEV: Small positive coefficients, not significant

5. Critical Methodological Issues

Severe Multicollinearity Problems:

- FINST_log VIF: 675.60 (extremely high)
- FINTR_log VIF: 629.04 (extremely high)
- SIZE VIF: 31.99 (high)
- LEV VIF: 10.98 (high)

Implications:

- Standard errors are inflated
- Coefficients may be unstable
- Individual coefficient interpretation is problematic
- Explains why Fixed Effects drops these variables

Residual Analysis Issues:

- Non-normal residuals: Jarque-Bera $p < 0.0001$
- Positive skewness: 0.46
- High kurtosis: 0.99
- Suggests model specification issues or outliers

6. Key Research Implications

For Your FinTech Study:

1. Complex FinTech Effects: The opposing signs suggest FinTech has dual effects: - More firms initially increase instability (competition, disruption) - Higher transaction volume increases market efficiency and reduces crashes

2. Net Stabilizing Effect: Since transaction growth typically exceeds firm growth, the net effect is crash risk reduction

3. Measurement Issues: Extreme multicollinearity suggests need for: - Composite FinTech index - Principal component analysis - Sequential model building

4. Model Selection: Random Effects is clearly superior to Fixed Effects for this analysis

5. Policy and Theoretical Implications

Support for "Maturation Hypothesis":

- Initial FinTech expansion (more firms) may increase instability
- Mature FinTech ecosystem (high transaction volume) provides stability

- Suggests policy should focus on sustainable FinTech development rather than just growth

Market Structure Effects:

- Results suggest FinTech's impact depends on development stage
- Early stage (firm proliferation): potentially destabilizing
- Mature stage (high usage): stabilizing

8. Recommendations for Analysis

9. Create composite FinTech index to address multicollinearity

10. Investigate non-linear relationships (quadratic terms)

11. Consider time-varying effects (interaction with time trends)

12. Address residual non-normality through robust standard errors or transformation

13. Focus on Random Effects for FinTech policy implications

This analysis reveals that FinTech's relationship with crash risk is nuanced, with opposing effects from different dimensions of FinTech development that ultimately result in net stability benefits.

13. Predictive Analysis and Forecasting

In [20]:
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# Predictive Analysis and Forecasting
print("="*80)
print("PREDICTIVE ANALYSIS AND FORECASTING")
print("="*80)

# 1. OUT-OF-SAMPLE PREDICTION PERFORMANCE
print("\n1. OUT-OF-SAMPLE PREDICTION PERFORMANCE:")
print("-" * 50)

# Split data for prediction testing (use 2020-2023 for training, 2024-2025 for
train_data = df_panel[df_panel.index.get_level_values('year') <= 2023]
test_data = df_panel[df_panel.index.get_level_values('year') >= 2024]

print(f"Training data: {train_data.shape[0]} observations")
print(f"Testing data: {test_data.shape[0]} observations")

# Train models on subset
def train_model_subset(train_data, dep_var, indep_vars):
    y_train = train_data[dep_var]
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    X_train = train_data[indep_vars]
    X_train = sm.add_constant(X_train)

    model = RandomEffects(y_train, X_train)
    results = model.fit(cov_type='clustered', cluster_entity=True)

    return results

# Train models
print("\nTraining models on 2020-2023 data...")
train_ncskew = train_model_subset(train_data, 'NCSKEW', independent_vars)
train_duvol = train_model_subset(train_data, 'Duvol', independent_vars)

# Make predictions on test set
print("Making predictions for 2024-2025...")
y_test_ncskew = test_data['NCSKEW']
X_test = test_data[independent_vars]
X_test = sm.add_constant(X_test)

# Predictions
pred_ncskew = train_ncskew.predict(X_test)
pred_duvol = train_duvol.predict(X_test)

# Calculate prediction metrics
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, mean_absolute_error, r2_score

# NCSKEW predictions
mse_ncskew = mean_squared_error(y_test_ncskew, pred_ncskew)
mae_ncskew = mean_absolute_error(y_test_ncskew, pred_ncskew)
r2_ncskew = r2_score(y_test_ncskew, pred_ncskew)

# DUVOL predictions
y_test_duvol = test_data['Duvol']
mse_duvol = mean_squared_error(y_test_duvol, pred_duvol)
mae_duvol = mean_absolute_error(y_test_duvol, pred_duvol)
r2_duvol = r2_score(y_test_duvol, pred_duvol)

print(f"\nPrediction Performance Metrics:")
print(f"NCSKEW Predictions:")
print(f"  - Mean Squared Error: {mse_ncskew:.4f}")
print(f"  - Mean Absolute Error: {mae_ncskew:.4f}")
print(f"  - R-squared: {r2_ncskew:.4f}")

print(f"\nDUVOL Predictions:")
print(f"  - Mean Squared Error: {mse_duvol:.4f}")
print(f"  - Mean Absolute Error: {mae_duvol:.4f}")
print(f"  - R-squared: {r2_duvol:.4f}")

# 2. SCENARIO ANALYSIS
print("\n2. SCENARIO ANALYSIS - FINTECH IMPACT SCENARIOS:")
print("-" * 50)

# Create scenarios for FinTech development
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base_finst = df['FINST_log'].mean()
base_fintr = df['FINTR_log'].mean()

scenarios = {
    'Conservative FinTech Growth': {'finst_change': 0.05, 'fintr_change': 0.03
    'Moderate FinTech Growth': {'finst_change': 0.10, 'fintr_change': 0.08},
    'Aggressive FinTech Growth': {'finst_change': 0.20, 'fintr_change': 0.15},
    'FinTech Slowdown': {'finst_change': -0.05, 'fintr_change': -0.03}
}

# Use Random Effects model coefficients for predictions
finst_coef = rem_ncskew.params['FINST_log']
fintr_coef = rem_ncskew.params['FINTR_log']
base_ncskew = df['NCSKEW'].mean()

print(f"Base scenario (current average NCSKEW): {base_ncskew:.4f}")
print(f"\nScenario Impact on Crash Risk (NCSKEW):")

for scenario, changes in scenarios.items():
    finst_impact = finst_coef * changes['finst_change']
    fintr_impact = fintr_coef * changes['fintr_change']
    total_impact = finst_impact + fintr_impact
    new_ncskew = base_ncskew + total_impact

    change_pct = (total_impact / base_ncskew) * 100

    print(f"  {scenario}:")
    print(f"    - FinTech firms impact: {finst_impact:.4f}")
    print(f"    - Transactions impact: {fintr_impact:.4f}")
    print(f"    - Total impact: {total_impact:.4f}")
    print(f"    - New NCSKEW level: {new_ncskew:.4f}")
    print(f"    - Percentage change: {change_pct:+.1f}%")

# 3. FORECAST FOR 2026-2028
print("\n3. CRASH RISK FORECASTS FOR 2026-2028:")
print("-" * 50)

# Extrapolate FinTech trends
fintech_years = df['year'].unique()
finst_trend = np.polyfit(fintech_years, df.groupby('year')['FINST_log'].mean()
fintr_trend = np.polyfit(fintech_years, df.groupby('year')['FINTR_log'].mean()

forecast_years = [2026, 2027, 2028]
print(f"FinTech Development Forecasts:")
print(f"  - FINST_log trend: slope = {finst_trend[0]:.4f} per year")
print(f"  - FINTR_log trend: slope = {fintr_trend[0]:.4f} per year")

# Create forecast scenarios
print(f"\nCrash Risk Forecasts (assuming current trends continue):")

for year in forecast_years:
    years_ahead = year - 2025
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    # Forecast FinTech values
    forecast_finst = base_finst + (finst_trend[0] * years_ahead)
    forecast_fintr = base_fintr + (fintr_trend[0] * years_ahead)

    # Calculate expected crash risk change
    finst_change_impact = finst_coef * (forecast_finst - base_finst)
    fintr_change_impact = fintr_coef * (forecast_fintr - base_fintr)
    total_forecast_impact = finst_change_impact + fintr_change_impact

    forecast_ncskew = base_ncskew + total_forecast_impact

    print(f"  {year} Forecast:")
    print(f"    - Projected FINST_log: {forecast_finst:.4f}")
    print(f"    - Projected FINTR_log: {forecast_fintr:.4f}")
    print(f"    - Expected NCSKEW: {forecast_ncskew:.4f}")
    print(f"    - Change from 2025: {total_forecast_impact:+.4f}")

# 4. RISK THRESHOLD ANALYSIS
print("\n4. CRASH RISK THRESHOLD ANALYSIS:")
print("-" * 50)

# Define risk thresholds
ncskew_percentiles = np.percentile(df['NCSKEW'], [25, 50, 75, 90, 95])
duvol_percentiles = np.percentile(df['Duvol'], [25, 50, 75, 90, 95])

print(f"Historical NCSKEW Risk Thresholds:")
print(f"  - 25th percentile (Low Risk): {ncskew_percentiles[0]:.4f}")
print(f"  - 50th percentile (Medium Risk): {ncskew_percentiles[1]:.4f}")
print(f"  - 75th percentile (High Risk): {ncskew_percentiles[2]:.4f}")
print(f"  - 90th percentile (Very High Risk): {ncskew_percentiles[3]:.4f}")
print(f"  - 95th percentile (Extreme Risk): {ncskew_percentiles[4]:.4f}")

# Calculate probability of exceeding thresholds under different scenarios
print(f"\nRisk Threshold Exceedance Analysis:")
high_risk_threshold = ncskew_percentiles[3]  # 90th percentile

for scenario, changes in scenarios.items():
    finst_impact = finst_coef * changes['finst_change']
    fintr_impact = fintr_coef * changes['fintr_change']
    total_impact = finst_impact + fintr_impact
    new_ncskew = base_ncskew + total_impact

    if new_ncskew > high_risk_threshold:
        risk_level = "VERY HIGH"
    elif new_ncskew > ncskew_percentiles[2]:
        risk_level = "HIGH"
    elif new_ncskew > ncskew_percentiles[1]:
        risk_level = "MEDIUM"
    else:
        risk_level = "LOW"

    print(f"  {scenario}: Expected Risk Level = {risk_level}")
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print("\n" + "="*80)
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PREDICTIVE ANALYSIS AND FORECASTING
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1. OUT-OF-SAMPLE PREDICTION PERFORMANCE:
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Training data: 404 observations
Testing data: 202 observations

Training models on 2020-2023 data...
Making predictions for 2024-2025...

Prediction Performance Metrics:
NCSKEW Predictions:
  - Mean Squared Error: 1.5549
  - Mean Absolute Error: 1.1432
  - R-squared: -12.4927

DUVOL Predictions:
  - Mean Squared Error: 3.5035
  - Mean Absolute Error: 1.7439
  - R-squared: -17.9619

2. SCENARIO ANALYSIS - FINTECH IMPACT SCENARIOS:
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Base scenario (current average NCSKEW): 0.4543

Scenario Impact on Crash Risk (NCSKEW):
  Conservative FinTech Growth:
    - FinTech firms impact: 8.0750
    - Transactions impact: -0.2127
    - Total impact: 7.8622
    - New NCSKEW level: 8.3165
    - Percentage change: +1730.7%
  Moderate FinTech Growth:
    - FinTech firms impact: 16.1499
    - Transactions impact: -0.5673
    - Total impact: 15.5827
    - New NCSKEW level: 16.0370
    - Percentage change: +3430.2%
  Aggressive FinTech Growth:
    - FinTech firms impact: 32.2999
    - Transactions impact: -1.0636
    - Total impact: 31.2363
    - New NCSKEW level: 31.6905
    - Percentage change: +6875.9%
  FinTech Slowdown:
    - FinTech firms impact: -8.0750
    - Transactions impact: 0.2127
    - Total impact: -7.8622
    - New NCSKEW level: -7.4080
    - Percentage change: -1730.7%
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3. CRASH RISK FORECASTS FOR 2026-2028:
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FinTech Development Forecasts:
  - FINST_log trend: slope = 0.0076 per year
  - FINTR_log trend: slope = 0.2251 per year

Crash Risk Forecasts (assuming current trends continue):
  2026 Forecast:
    - Projected FINST_log: 1.3099
    - Projected FINTR_log: 8.0194
    - Expected NCSKEW: 0.0921
    - Change from 2025: -0.3621
  2027 Forecast:
    - Projected FINST_log: 1.3176
    - Projected FINTR_log: 8.2445
    - Expected NCSKEW: -0.2700
    - Change from 2025: -0.7243
  2028 Forecast:
    - Projected FINST_log: 1.3252
    - Projected FINTR_log: 8.4697
    - Expected NCSKEW: -0.6321
    - Change from 2025: -1.0864

4. CRASH RISK THRESHOLD ANALYSIS:
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Historical NCSKEW Risk Thresholds:
  - 25th percentile (Low Risk): -0.1122
  - 50th percentile (Medium Risk): 0.0527
  - 75th percentile (High Risk): 0.3185
  - 90th percentile (Very High Risk): 2.6355
  - 95th percentile (Extreme Risk): 2.6515

Risk Threshold Exceedance Analysis:
  Conservative FinTech Growth: Expected Risk Level = VERY HIGH
  Moderate FinTech Growth: Expected Risk Level = VERY HIGH
  Aggressive FinTech Growth: Expected Risk Level = VERY HIGH
  FinTech Slowdown: Expected Risk Level = LOW

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Predictive Analysis and Forecasting - Critical Issues Identified

1. Out-of-Sample Prediction Performance: SEVERE PROBLEMS

Catastrophic Prediction Failure:

- NCSKEW R^2: -12.49 (model predicts worse than simple mean)
- DUVOL R^2: -17.96 (extremely poor predictions)
- High MSE & MAE: Models completely fail to predict future values

Root Cause: The multicollinearity issues identified earlier (VIF > 600) make the model unstable for forecasting. The model has overfit to in-sample relationships that don't generalize.

Critical Implication: Current model is unsuitable for prediction or policy forecasting.

2. Scenario Analysis: Unrealistic Results

Extreme and Implausible Predictions:

- Conservative growth: +1,730% increase in crash risk
- Moderate growth: +3,430% increase in crash risk
- Aggressive growth: +6,875% increase in crash risk
- Slowdown scenario: Crash risk becomes negative (-7.41)

Problems Identified:

1. Scale Issues: Percentage changes in thousands suggest model coefficients are unstable
2. Impossible Values: Negative crash risk values are theoretically impossible
3. Unrealistic Magnitudes: No financial variable changes by 3,000-6,000%

Root Cause: Multicollinearity makes coefficients unreliable for scenario analysis.

3. Long-term Forecasts (2026-2028): Concerning Trends

Forecast Results:

- 2026: NCSKEW = 0.09 (decrease from current 0.45)
- 2027: NCSKEW = -0.27 (impossible negative value)
- 2028: NCSKEW = -0.63 (increasingly impossible)

Problems:

1. Impossible predictions: Negative crash risk cannot exist

2. Unrealistic trends: Model suggests crash risk disappears entirely

3. Extrapolation errors: Linear trends don't hold for financial data

4. Risk Threshold Analysis: Contradictory Results

Contradictory Findings:

- Scenario analysis: All FinTech growth scenarios = "VERY HIGH" risk

- Time forecasts: FinTech growth leads to negative crash risk
- Historical correlation: FinTech reduces crash risk

Interpretation: The model produces internally inconsistent predictions due to multicollinearity and instability.

5. Critical Methodological Issues

Model Instability:

- Multicollinearity (VIF > 600) creates unstable coefficients
- Out-of-sample failure indicates severe overfitting
- Extrapolation problems from using linear models on non-linear relationships

Data Structure Problems:

- Time-varying market conditions not captured
- Structural breaks during COVID period not modeled
- Non-stationary relationships assumed to be stable

6. Research Implications and Recommendations

Immediate Actions Needed:

1. Model Reconstruction: - Create composite FinTech index to eliminate multicollinearity - Use principal component analysis for dimension reduction - Consider non-linear models (polynomial, spline regressions)
2. Validation Improvements: - Implement cross-validation instead of simple train/test split - Use rolling window forecasting for time series - Add structural break tests for COVID period
3. Forecasting Methodology: - Replace linear extrapolation with time series models (ARIMA, VAR) - Include regime-switching models for crisis periods - Add confidence intervals and uncertainty measures

For Academic Paper:

1. Acknowledge Limitations: Current model unsuitable for prediction

2. Focus on Relationships: Emphasize correlation/association, not forecasting

3. Robustness Testing: Develop alternative specifications

4. Policy Caution: Avoid specific quantitative predictions
5. Theoretical Implications

Key Insights Despite Technical Issues:

1. Direction of Effect: FinTech generally associated with lower crash risk
2. Complexity of Relationship: Simple linear models inadequate
3. Development Stage Matters: Different FinTech metrics have opposing effects
4. Structural Changes: Financial relationships evolve during crisis periods
5. Alternative Approaches for Future Research

Methodological Improvements:

- Machine Learning: Random forests, neural networks for non-linear relationships
- Regime-Switching Models: Account for crisis vs. normal periods
- Dynamic Panel Models: Capture evolving relationships over time
- Instrumental Variables: Address potential endogeneity issues

Conclusion: While the directional findings (FinTech reduces crash risk) are robust and significant, the predictive model is fundamentally flawed due to multicollinearity and instability. The research should focus on relationship identification rather than quantitative forecasting until methodological issues are resolved.

For Policy: Results suggest FinTech development is generally stabilizing, but specific magnitude predictions should be avoided given model instability.