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Market Insight



Key Metrics					
Pairs	Spot Price	24 Hr Change	Low	High	Funding Rates
BTC/USD	\$28,262	-6.41%	\$26,350	\$31,724	-0.0271%
ETH/USD	\$1,908	-16.33%	\$1,909	\$2,368	-0.0666%
XAU/USD	\$1,845.90	-0.37%	\$1,840.20	\$1,855.20	
USD/CAD	\$1.3025	0.26%	\$1.2975	\$1.3048	
EUR/CAD	\$1.3560	-0.75%	\$1.3542	\$1.3699	

BITCOIN: A snapshot of Bitcoin's spot price as of this writing is \$28,262 representing a 6.41% decrease the last 24 hours and 22.66% increase in trading volume. The funding rate of BTC is -0.0271%.

ETHEREUM: ETH is trading at \$1,908 as of this writing, representing a 24-Hour decrease of 16.33% and a funding rate of -0.0666%. Over the last 24 Hours, the trading volume increased by 22.00%. As of today, ETH holds 18.3% of the cryptocurrency market, making it the second-largest coin traded.

UPCOMING DATES		
Company	Pending Applications	SEC Response Date
WisdomTree Digital Commodity Services	WisdomTree Bitcoin Trust	May 15, 2022
One River Carbon Neutral Bitcoin Trust	One River Digital Asset Management	June 2, 2022
Bitwise	Bitwise Bitcoin ETP Trust	July 1, 2022
Grayscale	Grayscale Bitcoin Trust	July 6, 2022
WisdomTree Bitcoin Trust	WisdomTree	October 10, 2022

Latest Digital Asset News



1) Grayscale tells SEC that turning biggest bitcoin fund into ETF will unlock \$8 billion for investors ¹

Grayscale, the asset manager running the world's largest bitcoin fund, met privately with the Securities and Exchange Commission last week in an effort to persuade the regulator to approve the conversion of its flagship fund into an ETF, CNBC has learned. Turning the Grayscale Bitcoin Trust into a NYSE-traded ETF would broaden access to bitcoin and enhance protections while unlocking up to \$8 billion in value for investors, according to a 24-page presentation obtained by CNBC. That's because the trust, known by its GBTC ticker, has traded at an average 25% discount to the price of its underlying asset since early 2021, a discount that should disappear upon conversion, the company said.

2) Crypto exchange Binance hires former Deputy U.S. Attorney to manage legal affairs ²

Binance on Wednesday named Joshua Eaton, a former Deputy U.S. Attorney in the Northern District of California, as the deputy general counsel of the world's largest cryptocurrency exchange. Eaton will be responsible for Binance's legal affairs, leading the support for global compliance, investigations and law enforcement coordination activities, the company said in a statement. Legal troubles have plagued Binance lately, which won a dismissal on a lawsuit over digital token sales in late March. Investors had sued the company for violating U.S. securities laws by selling unregistered tokens and failing to register as an exchange or broker-dealer.

3) FASB to Review Accounting Rules for Digital Assets Held on Balance Sheets ³

The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) on Wednesday reportedly unanimously voted to begin a project to review the accounting for exchange-traded digital assets and commodities. The news was tweeted out by MicroStrategy (MSTR) CEO Michael Saylor, whose company holds more than 129,000 bitcoin (BTC) on its balance sheet. The FASB site shows "Accounting for Exchange-Traded Digital Assets and Commodities" on the board meeting agenda for today, but has not yet been updated with the results of any vote.

¹ <https://www.cnbc.com/2022/05/11/grayscale-tells-sec-that-turning-biggest-bitcoin-fund-into-etf-will-unlock-8-billion-for-investors.html>

² <https://www.reuters.com/article/idUSL3N2X32TU>

³ https://www.coindesk.com/policy/2022/05/11/fasb-to-review-accounting-rules-for-digital-assets-held-on-balance-sheets-report/?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=rss&utm_campaign=headlines

4) EU Commission Favors Ban on Large-Scale Stablecoins, Document Shows ⁴

The European Commission is considering hard curbs on the ability of stablecoins to become widely used in place of fiat currency, according to a document seen by CoinDesk. Officials appear to be siding with the views of European Union finance ministers, who have proposed tough measures aimed at stopping the likes of Facebook's now-abandoned libra stablecoin from replacing the euro, and require issuance to halt if transactions top 1 million per day. Two individuals familiar with discussions confirmed the details. The document is labeled as a “non-paper,” meaning it does not reflect the commission’s formal position, and is one of a number documents being produced to influence discussions on topics such as whether crypto firms should be able to register from tax havens.

5) Around the world: Nubank, Brazil’s Largest Digital Bank, Launches Bitcoin and Ether Trading ⁵

Nubank, the largest Brazilian digital bank by market value, is adding the option for customers to buy and sell bitcoin (BTC) and ether (ETH) on its platform, the company announced Wednesday. Nu Holdings, Nubank's parent company, also said it is allocating roughly 1% of the cash on its balance sheet to bitcoin to show its belief in the cryptocurrency. The crypto trading and custody service will be provided by Paxos’ blockchain infrastructure, Paxos told CoinDesk. The product will gradually be made available to Nubank users in Brazil on Thursday, Paxos said, adding that it will reach all of its customers by the end of July. Regarding the available cryptocurrencies in the future, the company added that it “will do frequent curation to add more.”

⁴ <https://www.coindesk.com/policy/2022/05/11/eu-commission-favors-ban-on-large-scale-stablecoins-document-shows/>

⁵ <https://finance.yahoo.com/news/nubank-brazil-largest-digital-bank-173610487.html>

Traders' Digest

Bitcoin couldn't hold the weekly wedge drawn from the 2020 dip. This level was also right at the \$29,000-\$30,000 support area, which had held strongly during summer 2021.

Overnight, Bitcoin broke the wedge and liquidated as low as \$25,338.38, trading in the middle of the low volume gap. This low liquidity zone acted as a short-term support overnight, with BTC now trading at the seller's remorse.

On a positive note, NASDAQ just touched its 50% Fibonacci retracement drawn from the COVID tantrum. This strong support level will act as short-term support for the whole market and will be decisive for the market price action in the next few weeks.

Moreover, Ether liquidated to our 1,700 level, which previously held very strongly. Ether is now up 14% from its most recent lows, as many investors picked up the dip.

Finally, be mindful of the Equity-Bitcoin correlation. This phenomenon is driving the market and gives clear guidance of what is coming next.



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Altcoin Analysis

Market is under serious pressure. It's best to evaluate opportunities vs BTC instead of USDT.

Binance Coin has broken below a major ascending triangle pattern and has fallen 40% since. What is interesting is that the coin is actually holding up quite well vs. BTC despite the recent volatility. One reason might be because BUSD, the firm's stablecoin, is much more stable these days as opposed to USDT which has officially depegged from the US dollar.

At times like these, it's best to stay away from the volatile altcoins and stay with large caps as much as possible.



When it comes to trading alt coins, it is very important to track the movement of Bitcoin. When BTC appreciates or consolidates in a range, some of these coins can flourish but if the former gets dumped then the latter will get destroyed. Therefore, these types of analysis depend on the trajectory of Bitcoin's price action. Timing is of the essence.

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