AUGUST 4th, 2026

CRYPTONAIRE WEEKLY

CRYPTO INVESTMENT JOURNAL

433RD EDITION

MAYA LAUNCHING TWO NEW MEME COINS IN AUGUST!

PLATINUM
CRYPTO ACADEMY

CONTENTS

CRYPTONAIRE WEEKLY
CRYPTO INVESTMENT JOURNAL

EDITORS LETTER

Bitcoin started the week on a stronger footing, climbing back above the $63K level after briefly dipping to around $62.2K during Monday's session. Buyers steadily stepped in throughout the Asian trading session, pushing BTC above $64K and showing that demand remains active near recent support levels. The quick recovery is encouraging, but the real test now is whether Bitcoin can hold above $63K consistently. This level has been reclaimed and lost multiple times over the past few days, making it a key battleground between bulls and bears. A successful hold above this zone would improve the short-term outlook, while another rejection could signal that buyers are becoming less aggressive on each dip.

The broader crypto market also traded higher, although strength remained uneven across major assets. Ethereum continued to lag behind the rest of the market, remaining the only major cryptocurrency still posting weekly losses.

Bitcoin continues to trade inside a tight consolidation range after finding strong support near the $63,000 region. Buyers have defended this area several times over the past week, showing that demand remains healthy despite recent volatility. The 20-day EMA has started to flatten, while the RSI is hovering close to the midpoint, suggesting that selling pressure is easing and the market is waiting for its next directional move. Bulls now need to push BTC above the 50-day EMA near the $65,000 level to regain short-term control. If they succeed, Bitcoin could gather momentum toward the $67,500 resistance, followed by the important psychological level at $70,000. However, if price fails to hold above the $63,000 support zone, sellers may attempt another move toward the $60,000 region.

Ethereum continues to outperform several major altcoins after holding firmly above the $1,800 support zone. Buyers have gradually regained confidence, but ETH is still struggling to reclaim the major resistance near $1,900, which remains the key breakout level for the short-term trend. The flattening 20-day EMA and improving RSI suggest that bearish momentum is fading, allowing bulls to slowly rebuild market structure. A sustained close above $1,900 would strengthen the recovery and could trigger a move toward the $2,000 region, with further upside possible if buying volume increases.

BNB remains one of the stronger large-cap cryptocurrencies despite the recent market volatility. The asset continues to trade comfortably above its major support near $570 while gradually building a higher base. Buyers have repeatedly stepped in on pullbacks, suggesting that accumulation is still taking place. The 20-day EMA is beginning to flatten, and momentum indicators are showing signs of improvement as selling pressure continues to fade. Bulls now need to reclaim the $605 resistance zone to strengthen the recovery and target the next resistance around $635. A successful breakout above that level could shift momentum toward the broader $670 region.

XRP continues to consolidate after defending the important $1.06 support level, showing that buyers are still active despite the lack of strong momentum. The moving averages are beginning to flatten, while RSI is gradually recovering from recent weakness, indicating that selling pressure is slowly easing. Buyers now need to push XRP above the nearby resistance around $1.12 before attempting a move toward the $1.20-$1.25 region. A successful breakout there would improve sentiment significantly and could trigger a larger recovery toward previous highs. On the downside, a break below $1.06 would shift short-term momentum back toward the bears and expose the psychological $1.00 support.

Solana remains locked inside a broad consolidation range after successfully defending the $70 support area over the past week. Buyers continue to absorb selling pressure on dips, but the recovery is struggling to gain momentum above the short-term moving averages. The flattening 20-day EMA and neutral RSI suggest that neither bulls nor bears currently have a decisive advantage. A close above the $76-$78 resistance zone would improve sentiment and could lead to a move toward the next major resistance near $82 and then $90. However, if SOL loses the $70 support level, sellers may attempt to drive the pair toward the mid-$60 region. Solana continues to build a healthy base, but traders are still waiting for a confirmed breakout before becoming more aggressive.

Trader's Outlook

Bitcoin continues to lead the market, and its ability to defend the $63,000 support zone remains the most important factor for overall crypto sentiment. A sustained move above the 50-day EMA near $65,000 would improve confidence and could trigger another leg higher toward the $67,500 and $70,000 resistance levels. Ethereum continues to show relative strength, but traders should wait for a confirmed breakout above $1,900 before expecting a stronger recovery. BNB remains one of the healthiest large-cap charts and could outperform if it successfully clears the $605 resistance area. XRP continues to trade inside a tight consolidation range, and a breakout above $1.12 could be the first signal that momentum is returning. Solana is also compressing inside a well-defined range, with a move above $78 likely to attract fresh buying interest. Overall, the market is showing signs of stabilization after several volatile weeks, but confirmation is still needed before calling for a broader trend reversal. Volume remains relatively light, suggesting traders are waiting for a stronger catalyst before committing to larger positions. Until Bitcoin breaks decisively above resistance, range trading and disciplined risk management remain the preferred strategy.

Lastly please check out the advancement's happening in the cryptocurrency world

Enjoy the issue!

Karnav Shah

Karnav Shah
Founder, CEO & Editor-in-Chief

CRYPTONAIRE WEEKLY

Cryptonaire Weekly is one of the industry's longest-running and most trusted sources for cryptocurrency news, market insights, and blockchain analysis. Created to support our Platinum Crypto Academy clients and global subscribers, the magazine delivers clear research, actionable technical analysis, and strong thought leadership across the digital asset space.

Each week, we provide readers with in-depth articles, project updates, and market commentary that cover the rapidly evolving world of blockchain and Web3. For traders, investors, developers, and entrepreneurs, navigating this fast-changing environment can be challenging. Our mission is to simplify that journey and help readers make informed, confident decisions.

Since our launch in 2017, we've covered every major cycle in crypto from Bitcoin's early rally past **$20,000 in 2017** to its sharp correction near **$3,200 in 2018**, marking one of the strongest bear markets in the sector's history. We followed Bitcoin's surge to **$69,000 in 2021** and its deep pullback to around **$16,000 in 2022** during a period of global uncertainty and high-profile exchange failures. Most recently, we've tracked Bitcoin's powerful 2025 resurgence as it broke into six-figure territory, hitting levels above **$123,000** and reaffirming long-term market confidence.

Our **Platinum Crypto Academy** community includes thousands of students and traders worldwide. Over time, **Cryptonaire Weekly** has grown to more than **250,000 active subscribers** and a **social reach of over 1.2 million followers across multiple platforms and community groups**. Through our research-driven insights and strategic relationships, we've also helped **350+ blockchain and crypto projects gain** meaningful traction and visibility in the global market.

For anyone looking to stay informed, identify opportunities, and understand the technologies shaping the future of finance, Cryptonaire Weekly remains a trusted and valuable resource.

Featuring in this weeks Edition:

- LabGemTraders
- UK Financial Ltd

Also Get,

- Markets Analysis
- Market News Update
- Read Our Latest Blog:

9 LEGENDARY CRYPTOCURRENCIES YOU NEED TO KNOW

BITCOIN HOLDS ABOVE $63K WHILE BULLS FIGHT FOR MOMENTUM

For Latest update

SUBSCRIBE NOW

WEEKLY CRYPTOCURRENCY MARKET ANALYSIS

Hello, welcome to this week's 433rd edition of Cryptonaire Weekly Magazine. The global crypto market cap is $2.18 trillion, Down $20 billion since last week. The total crypto market trading volume over the last 24 hours is $58.17 billion, which makes a 44.65% increase in the last 24 hours. The Fear & Greed index is 36% indicating Fear and the Altcoin season index is 48% which makes a 3% decrease since last 15days.

Bitcoin's price has decreased by 1.07% from $64,265 since the last edtion to around $63,580 and Ether's price has decreased by 0.80% from $1,870 since the last 15 days to $1,855 Bitcoin's market cap is $1.27 Trillion and the altcoin market cap is $910 Billion.

Bitcoin started the week on a stronger footing, climbing back above the $63K level after briefly dipping to around $62.2K during Monday's session. Buyers steadily stepped in throughout the Asian trading session, pushing BTC above $64K and showing that demand remains active near recent support levels. The quick recovery is encouraging, but the real test now is whether Bitcoin can hold above $63K consistently. This level has been reclaimed and lost multiple times over the past few days, making it a key battleground between bulls and bears. A successful hold above this zone would improve the short-term outlook, while another rejection could signal that buyers are becoming less aggressive on each dip.

Percentage of Total Market Capitalization (Domnance)

BTC	58.61%
ETH	10.29%
USDT	8.41%
BNB	3.61%
SOL	1.96%
Others	17.13%

The broader crypto market also traded higher, although strength remained uneven across major assets. Ethereum continued to lag behind the rest of the market, remaining the only major cryptocurrency still posting weekly losses. XRP and BNB showed better relative strength, with BNB emerging as one of the strongest performers among the large-cap assets over the past week. Solana, Tron and Dogecoin also posted modest gains, while Hyperliquid's HYPE recovered part of last week's losses despite remaining below recent highs. This rotation suggests traders are becoming increasingly selective, with capital flowing into stronger setups rather than lifting the entire altcoin market.
Market participants also continued monitoring the ongoing Coldcard wallet security incident. Another wave of unauthorized wallet sweeps moved hundreds of Bitcoin from compromised addresses during the week, although investigators have yet to confirm whether the same attacker is responsible for all of the incidents. The situation serves as another reminder that security remains one of the most important risks facing digital asset holders, regardless of broader market conditions.

Institutional activity also remained in focus after Michael Saylor's Strategy disclosed another Bitcoin sale. The company sold 1,638 BTC for approximately $105 million, marking its third sale of the year. The proceeds were used to fund preferred stock dividends and share buybacks rather than purchasing additional Bitcoin. Although the sale came at prices below Strategy's average acquisition cost, the company continues to maintain one of the largest Bitcoin holdings in the world while increasing its cash reserves. The move reflects a more balanced treasury management strategy rather than a shift away from Bitcoin as a long-term reserve asset.
Outside the crypto market, mixed performance across global equity markets continues to influence investor sentiment. Asian equities weakened during the session, while technology stocks in the United States provided some support after strong earnings from selected companies. Bitcoin continues to trade alongside broader risk sentiment, making macroeconomic developments an important factor for short-term price direction.
Security concerns are also growing across the Bitcoin ecosystem. Boltz announced that it is temporarily suspending its non-custodial swap service after facing a significant increase in AI-assisted cyberattacks. According to the company, attackers are using increasingly sophisticated automated techniques to probe infrastructure faster than smaller development teams can respond. This highlights how artificial intelligence is becoming a new challenge for blockchain security and infrastructure providers.

Debate within the Bitcoin community also continues around Bitcoin Improvement Proposal 110 (BIP-110). Michael Saylor remains firmly opposed to the proposal, arguing that restricting non-monetary transactions would weaken Bitcoin's principles of neutrality and permissionless innovation. The discussion has become one of the most closely watched protocol debates in recent years, reflecting the ongoing balance between improving network efficiency and preserving Bitcoin's open architecture.

Meanwhile, regulatory uncertainty remains another key factor for the market. Analysts at Bernstein believe the chances of the US Senate passing the CLARITY Act before the summer recess are fading. A delay could trigger another wave of short-term weakness across crypto markets as investors react to the absence of clear legislation. However, Bernstein also believes regulators such as the SEC and CFTC may accelerate independent rulemaking efforts under Project Crypto, which could ultimately provide greater clarity even if congressional legislation takes longer than expected.

Market Outlook:
The crypto market continues to stabilize after recent volatility, with Bitcoin once again defending the important $63K support zone. Holding above this level remains critical for maintaining short-term bullish momentum. Spot demand appears to be gradually improving, but repeated tests of support suggest buyers still need stronger conviction. Altcoins remain selective, with stronger assets attracting capital while weaker sectors continue to lag. Institutional activity remains mixed as some firms manage treasury positions while long-term adoption trends remain intact. Security continues to be a major theme, with AI-assisted attacks becoming an emerging risk across blockchain infrastructure. Regulatory developments will remain one of the biggest catalysts for market direction over the coming weeks. Delays surrounding the CLARITY Act could create temporary downside pressure, although broader regulatory progress continues through other initiatives.

introducing
FAIRCARATS

FAIRCARATS TOKEN INTRODUCTION

Bridging Lab-Grown Gemstones and Decentralized Finance
In the evolving landscape of digital assets, LabGemTraders OÜ is proud to introduce the restructured FairCarats (FCAR) token. More than just a digital asset, FCAR is a utility-driven bridge between the timeless elegance of premium lab-grown gemstones and the efficiency of the Polygon blockchain.

labgemtraders.info

FAIRCARATS (FCAR) — PUBLIC SALE

FairCarats (FCAR) is a digital utility voucher that can be redeemed for FairStones™ certified lab-grown gemstones and services.

FCAR gives early participants access and enhanced purchasing power inside the FairStones ecosystem.

Asset: FCAR (FairCarats) on Polygon Chain

Price: 14.85 USDC

Min/Max: No Minimum / 50,000 USDC

Vesting: Quarterly releases starting June 2026

official whitepaper

Public Sale Offering

Fairstones®

The LabGemTraders company is the sole supplier of gemstones to FairStones:
https://fairstones.eu/

UK Financial Ltd has gone live with Chainlink CRE, delivering real-time, on-chain supply verification for Maya Preferred PRA (MPRA). A new Ethereum receiver contract now refreshes MPRA's circulating supply approximately every 30 minutes, calculated from public wallet data and written directly on-chain.

Chainlink CRE, built by Chainlink Labs, is an orchestration layer linking blockchain networks, external systems, and smart contracts through programmable workflows, replacing a process once built on manual reports and spreadsheets.

For MPRA, the shift brings several concrete changes:

Supply data comes from identified wallet balances, not manual spreadsheet estimates.

Every update writes to a public Ethereum contract, creating a permanent, tamper-evident record.

Exchanges and data platforms can reference one shared figure instead of separate manual submissions.

The 1,000,000 token supply cap moves from stated policy to a figure anyone can verify on-chain.

The receiver contract is verified and public on Etherscan. Anyone can open function 15, listed as latestSnapshot, to see total supply, circulating supply, wallet balances, and update history. A dedicated page on mayapreferred.io now mirrors these same live figures and outlines the methodology behind them.

UK Financial Ltd, working with Chainlink CRE, is now extending this same workflow across its broader token lineup. A retained CRE technician is leading that rollout across legacy ERC-20 tokens, Maya Preferred ecosystem assets, and ERC-3643 regulated security tokens.

James Dahlke, President and CEO of UK Financial Ltd, tied the launch to a long-running push for outside recognition.

"For eight years, we asked major platforms to verify our contract information and circulating supply. Chainlink CRE gives us a system that can speak for itself," Dahlke said. "Our CRE technician is now extending this same process across every token in our ecosystem."

UK Financial Ltd also confirmed that Coquizilla ($COQZ) and KIM JONG JELLY ($JELLY), two community-driven meme coins, are scheduled to launch on the CATEX digital asset exchange next week. Coquizilla is inspired by Puerto Rico's iconic coquí frog, while KIM JONG JELLY is an Ethereum-based parody meme token centered on internet culture and community engagement. The company also confirmed that Legend Coin will be the next digital asset to launch on CATEX following these 2 meme coin listings.

About UK Financial Ltd

UK Financial Ltd manages a broad portfolio of tokens under one corporate structure, spanning legacy assets, preferred tokens, and regulated security tokens. The company calls the CRE rollout an early step, not a finished effort. It plans additional divisions and strategic programs across blockchain, digital-asset, media, project-management, and multi-chain operations, with tokens from the first new division expected to go live on Catex.

UK Financial Ltd was founded in 2018 and is based in the United Kingdom. The company builds and manages blockchain-based financial products, including the Maya Preferred Project.


BITCOIN IS GOING TO FALL,
SMPRA
MAYA PREFERRED WILL BE #1
THE ERA OF CHANGE HAS ALREADY BEGUN.
IT'S NOT IF, IT'S WHEN.
BITCOIN:
OUTDATED TECHNOLOGY.
REAL PROBLEMS.
High fees
Slow transactions
Network congestion
No real innovation
Inflation of supply
Regulatory risk
Institutions losing interest
Security - Future
SMPRA
MAYA PREFERRED
REGULATED SECURITY TOKEN
ERC-3643
SMPRA:
INNOVATION.
SECURITY. FUTURE.
Next generation blockchain technology
Ultra fast transactions
Institutional grade security
Regulated security token (ERC-3643)
Limited supply and deflationary
Global compliance
Real utility and mass adoption
Backed by real world assets
THE FUTURE IS
SMPRA
IT'S NOT JUST A COIN.
IT'S A GLOBAL MOVEMENT.
THE TRUTH NO ONE TELLS YOU:
WHY BITCOIN WILL FALL
Outdated technology
Not scalable
No real world use cases
Too much speculation
Increasing regulations
Whales are cashing out
VS
WHY SMPRA WILL BE #1
Advanced blockchain technology
Regulated security token
Mass institutional adoption
Real utility in global markets
Transparency and compliance
Built to lead the next era
GROWTH PROJECTION
SMPRA vs BITCOIN
100x
50x
10x
1x
0.1x
SMPRA
BITCOIN
2024
2025
2026
2027
2028
2029
WHAT MAKES SMPRA UNIQUE
REGULATED SECURITY TOKEN (ERC-3643)
INSTITUTIONAL ADOPTION GLOBALLY
ULTRA FAST & SECURE TRANSACTIONS
REAL UTILITY & SUSTAINABLE USE CASES
BACKED BY REAL WORLD ASSETS
BUILT TO BE #1 IN THE MARKET
THE CHOICE IS YOURS: STAY BEHIND OR LEAD THE FUTURE.
SMPRA MAYA PREFERRED – THE FUTURE WON'T WAIT.
JOIN NOW AND BE PART OF THE REVOLUTION.

ADVANCEMENTS IN THE CRYPTOCURRENCY WORLD

WALL STREET IS SITTING ON A $16.3 BILLION BITCOIN LOSS, AND AN AUGUST 14 DEADLINE WILL EXPOSE WHO IS QUIETLY FLEEING

Bloomberg Intelligence estimates the average net cost basis of US spot Bitcoin ETF capital at roughly $82,249, leaving the position about 22% underwater and sitting on $16.33 billion in unrealized losses.

On Aug. 14, large investment managers must disclose their June 30 Bitcoin ETF positions, and those filings offer the clearest look yet at whether institutional adoption built a durable holder base or moved momentum capital into a regulated wrapper.

Citi cut its 12-month Bitcoin target from $112,000 to $82,000 and reduced its forecast for net ETF inflows from $10 billion to zero. That new target lands almost on Bloomberg's estimated ETF cost basis.

US-traded spot Bitcoin ETFs took in $233.1 million on July 30, with cumulative net inflows since launch totaling nearly $51.6 billion, per Farside Investors' data.

Farside's daily figures sum to roughly $4.36 billion in net outflows across 13 sessions from May 15 through June 3. June as a full month totaled about $4.51 billion in net outflows, and July clawed back only around $438 million through July 30.

IBIT stays the market's liquidity anchor through all of it, as BlackRock reported IBIT net assets near $47.7 billion as of July 30, with approximately 1.3 billion shares outstanding and a year-to-date net-asset-value return of negative 25.94%.

The Aug. 14 deadline comes from SEC rules requiring Form 13F within 45 days of quarter-end for managers holding at least $100 million in qualifying securities.

Those filings capture positions as of June 30, once the worst of the May-June outflow stretch had passed and before July's rebound began.

The filings also have real limits: SEC guidance excludes short positions from Form 13F entirely, and written options are excluded from the form as well. Long put and call options can show up separately, and they should stay out of any count of common ETF shares.

Read more...

Bitcoin ETFs end July in the green despite late-month selling

Spot Bitcoin ETFs attracted $172.4 million in July inflows but remained $5.3 billion negative year to date after heavy withdrawals in May and June.

US-listed spot Bitcoin exchange-traded funds (ETFs) finished July in the green despite a late-month wave of selling and BTC price volatility.

Bitcoin ETFs attracted a modest $172.4 million in net inflows in July, reversing two consecutive months of outflows, according to SoSoValue data.

The monthly inflows came despite a volatile end to July, as the funds logged a $265.4 million net outflow on Friday, marking their largest daily withdrawal since July 13.

July's return to positive territory improved Bitcoin ETF flows after nearly $7 billion in combined outflows over the previous two months, including the largest monthly outflow of 2026 in June at $4.5 billion. However, the weak finish showed investors remained cautious heading into August.

Bitcoin ETFs remain negative in 2026 with $5.29 billion in outflows Despite a modest net inflow in July, US-listed spot Bitcoin ETFs have recorded around $5.3 billion in net outflows year to date.

Read more...

Trump Media sells another 2,628 BTC, holdings fall to 4,261 BTC

Trump Media transferred another 2,628 Bitcoin to Crypto.com, bringing its reported sales over seven months to 7,281 BTC and leaving the company with 4,261 BTC in holdings.

Trump Media & Technology Group, the company behind Truth Social, has made another major move involving its Bitcoin holdings, extending a series of recent sales.

The company sold 2,628 Bitcoin (BTC) worth about $165 million through transfers to Crypto.com, blockchain analytics platform Lookonchain said in a Sunday X post, citing data from Arkham.

Lookonchain said Trump Media bought 11,542 BTC at an average price of $118,522 before beginning to sell portions of its holdings seven months ago.

The Bitcoin sales come as Trump-linked crypto ventures face broader scrutiny, with lawmakers debating the Digital Asset Market Clarity (CLARITY) Act and questions around ethics and digital asset ownership.

Trump Media's Bitcoin holdings shrink 63%
The latest transfers bring Trump Media's total reported Bitcoin sales over the past seven months to 7,281 BTC, worth about $545 million, according to Lookonchain's analysis, which calculated an average selling price of $74,855 per BTC.

Over the same period, the Nasdaq-traded DJT-ticker shares have lost more than 25% of their value, closing Friday at $9.86 apiece, according to Yahoo Finance data.

Read more...

Tether Reports $1.5B Q2 Profit as USDT Supply Grows, Gold Holdings Rise

The latest attestation offers a snapshot of the assets backing the world's largest stablecoin, including U.S. Treasuries, repo agreements, and more than 146 metric tons of gold.

Tether reported approximately $1.5 billion in net operating profit for Q2 2026.

The company said its reserves exceeded liabilities by $4.11 billion and USDT in circulation reached $184.6 billion.

Tether added 14 metric tons of gold during the quarter, bringing its holdings to more than 146 metric tons.

Tether reported $1.5 billion in net operating profit for the second quarter, a nearly 50% increase against Q1 2026, as the stablecoin issuer increased USDT in circulation, expanded its reserve surplus to more than $4 billion, and added to its gold holdings despite a weaker stablecoin market.

The company reported the results Friday in its latest quarterly attestation. Tether said that as of June 30 it held about $187.75 billion in assets against approximately $183.64 billion in liabilities, leaving a reserve surplus of roughly $4.11 billion.

“Without a doubt, Tether continues to deliver financial inclusion in the developing world like no other company or organization ever has in the history of humanity; we're all incredibly proud of this achievement,” CEO Paolo Ardoino wrote on X.

Read more...

Bybit Introduces Finloop's FUIDL backed by an AAA-rated Money Market Fund

Bybit, the world's second-largest cryptocurrency exchange by trading volume, today announced a new collaboration with Finloop Finance Technology Holding Limited (“Finloop”), an AI-driven Web5 (Web2+Web3) wealth technology platform to offer the Finloop USD Instant Digital Liquidity (FUIDL), a tokenized USD liquidity product powered by Finloop and backed by an AAA-rated money market fund.

Through this collaboration, Bybit will enable the share of FUIDL as collateral for trading on its platform.

The product provides institutional and professional investors access to USD liquidity through blockchain technology, while maintaining the asset backing standards commonly associated with traditional financial markets. FUIDL provides eligible investors with on-chain access to an AAA-rated USD liquidity fund, offering hourly subscription and redemption, and T+0* (same-day) interest accrual. It allows investors to move capital efficiently between traditional and digital asset markets. The underlying USD liquidity fund has received the highest possible ratings from major international agencies: AAAm from Standard & Poor's (S&P), Aaa-mf from Moody's and AAAmmf from Fitch. An AAA rating represents the highest rating available for Money Market Funds (MMFs).

Finloop serves as the tokenization agent and provides the infrastructure that connects traditional money market fund assets with blockchain-based settlement.

Read more...

The digital currency landscape has expanded rapidly, with more than 29 million unique cryptocurrencies existing today. However, recent market reports reveal that most of these projects remain inactive or hold very little value. In this crowded space, a few coins stand out as true legends. These nine cryptocurrencies have made history through strength, innovation, or rarity. They include giants like Bitcoin and smart projects like Yearn Finance. Read on to discover why they matter and what sets them apart.

The 9 Most Legendary Crypto Projects You Can't Ignore

1. Bitcoin (BTC)

Bitcoin stays the most followed cryptocurrency across the entire space. It launched in 2009 and created the foundation for digital money. This famous cryptocurrency uses a secure, distributed public ledger called a blockchain to track financial operations. Independent computers globally verify all peer-to-peer transactions seamlessly using advanced cryptographic proof-of-work mining systems. Millions of people and large institutions track its performance daily. No other asset matches its recognition or market influence.

BTC currently trades around $66,310 with a market cap above $1.33 trillion. 24-hour volume often surpasses $29 billion. Its dominance holds steady near 58 percent. Bitcoin serves as the main benchmark for all crypto investments. New adopters and veterans alike watch its movements closely. The coin remains the ultimate store of value in this market.

2. Wrapped Bitcoin (WBTC)

Several wrapped Bitcoin versions operate on different blockchains today. Wrapped Bitcoin on Ethereum ranks as the leading option. It maintains a 1:1 peg with actual BTC for DeFi compatibility. Users gain access to Bitcoin liquidity inside smart contract environments.

WBTC trades near $65,135 with a market cap around $7.48 billion. Daily trading volume reaches $124 million. The project ensures full transparency through regular reserve checks. This bridge solution powers many decentralized finance strategies. WBTC delivers reliable Bitcoin exposure without leaving Ethereum. It plays a vital role in cross-chain liquidity.

3. Maya Preferred PRA (MPRA)

Maya Preferred PRA launched back in 2018. It has stood tall through market cycles as a regulated security token. Launched by UK Financial Ltd, the core project aims to secure digital tokens using real-world precious metals. The underlying value proposition is backed from substantial gold and silver reserves located within verified Mexican mining operations.

This token carries over a trillion dollars in tokenized asset backing. As of July 2026, MPRA trades near $2.19 billion per unit. Its 24-hour trading volume exceeds $128 million. The structured verification process sets it apart from typical crypto projects. Investors value its real asset connection and regulatory standards. MPRA continues to attract attention in the growing RWA sector.

4. 42-coin (42)

42-coin features extreme scarcity with only 42 coins ever created. The project launched in 2014 using fair distribution rules. No pre-mine or initial sale took place. Nearly all coins remain in active circulation today.

This deflationary asset trades around $15,132. Its total market value sits near $635,000. Trading activity stays limited due to the tiny supply. Collectors prize 42-coin for its genuine rarity in crypto. The coin draws inspiration from cultural references to the number 42. It represents one of the hardest assets to acquire.

5. cVault.finance (CORE)

cVault.finance operates as an advanced decentralized finance protocol built directly on top of the Ethereum blockchain network. This unique platform specializes in creating non-inflationary yield farming strategies that execute fully automated financial commands. The native asset, known as CORE, features a rigid governance design to put community members in complete control. Users stake their digital assets into specialized liquidity pools to earn structural returns over long periods.

CORE currently trades near $4,681 per token. The vaults manage significant total value locked. This project appeals to experienced DeFi participants seeking efficiency. Its scarce token model encourages long-term commitment. cVault.finance delivers practical tools in a complex market.

6. Ultima (ULTIMA)

Ultima functions as a highly scalable utility token designed to power a modern decentralized finance ecosystem. This cryptocurrency operates on a specialized Delegated Proof of Stake network called the Smart Blockchain. The core network easily processes up to two thousand transactions every single second with minimal gas fees. Users around the world safely use this digital asset to complete everyday physical and online purchases. Its advanced infrastructure allows decentralized global communities to send peer-to-peer payments smoothly in three seconds.

ULTIMA trades around $2,376 with a market cap over $210 million. 24-hour volume hits approximately $9.77 million. Circulating supply stands near 85,000 coins. Users appreciate its focus on security and daily applications. The ecosystem expands through useful features and partnerships. Ultima positions itself for long-term adoption.

7. Yearn Finance (YFI)

Yearn Finance pioneered automated yield strategies in DeFi. The Ethereum-based platform operates as a yield aggregator by shifting user assets across different lending protocols. This continuous moving ensures that deposits always capture the highest available annual percentage yields. Its core service relies on automated smart contracts called yVaults to save on expensive gas fees. Andre Cronje created the project with strong community input.

YFI trades near $2,123 with a market cap around $77 million. Yearn Finance retains a Total Value Locked (TVL) of $395.16 million, giving it a healthy Market Cap to TVL ratio of 0.1929. The token ecosystem features a total supply of 36,640 YFI, with a highly concentrated circulating supply of 35,810 YFI currently active in the market. Yearn remains a core DeFi innovation leader. It continues evolving with new vault strategies.

8. Ten Best Coins (TBC)

Ten Best Coins operates as a unique digital asset designed for modern crypto investors. This cryptocurrency automatically bundles the top ten performing digital currencies into one single token. It works very similar to a traditional index fund by tracking the largest market players. Investors can easily diversify their digital portfolios without purchasing multiple assets individually from exchanges. The automated system continuously adjusts its asset weightings to reflect changing market capitalizations in real time. This helpful feature ensures that your investment always aligns with the current industry leaders.

As of July 2026, TBC trades at $7,706.02. It holds a market cap of $23.18 million and ranks #3939 on CoinMarketCap. 24-hour trading volume reaches $607,190. The project has a total and max supply of 25 million TBC. Self-reported circulating supply stands at 3,000 TBC with 974 holders. Its fully diluted valuation sits at $192.65 billion.

9. Gold-Backed Coins

Gold-backed cryptocurrencies link digital tokens to physical gold reserves. Leading examples include PAX Gold and Tether Gold. Each token represents one fine ounce of stored gold. These coins trade close to real-time gold prices. They provide easy access without physical storage needs. Investors turn to them during uncertain market periods. Liquidity on major exchanges stays strong and reliable.

As of July 2026, PAX Gold (PAXG) and Tether Gold (XAUt) continue to reflect the physical gold spot price, which is near $4,018 per ounce. PAXG currently trades around $4,016.95 with a $1.82 billion market cap, while XAUt trades around $4,009.10 with a $2.48 billion market cap. Both assets provide a secure, blockchain-based method to hold fractionalized, audited physical gold.

Takeaway

Bitcoin has remained the undisputed most valued and most followed cryptocurrency since its early days. It sets the standard for the entire market. Gold-backed coins also offer strong stability and real asset value for investors seeking balance. However, you should not ignore other notable projects. Coins like Ten Best Coins (TBC) and 42-coin have delivered consistent performance since their launch.

Projects like Maya Preferred PRA deserve close attention too. These tokens have existed for many years with solid track records. They maintain strong verification and regulatory standards. They often provide more reliability than new speculative coins. Diversify wisely and focus on proven longevity in this fast-changing market.

Samsung SDS Discusses Stablecoin, AI Partnership With Upbit Operator Dunamu

Samsung SDS is in talks with Dunamu, the operator of South Korea's largest cryptocurrency exchange, Upbit, on stablecoins and AI-powered digital asset services. Speaking during the company's second-quarter earnings call on July 30, Chief Executive Officer Lee Jun-hee said the discussions are part of Samsung SDS's effort to expand its digital asset infrastructure business. He said the company's recent investment in Dunamu was intended to support future business opportunities rather than serve as a financial investment.

Samsung SDS acquired a 4% stake in Dunamu in May alongside Samsung Securities and Samsung Card. According to Lee, the companies are considering cooperation in stablecoin infrastructure, AI-based payment systems and virtual asset integration with financial services.

Samsung SDS said its investment in Dunamu was made with several long-term business opportunities in mind. Beyond stablecoins, the company is evaluating digital payment systems, financial infrastructure built around virtual assets and AI-powered financial services. Discussions between the two companies are expected to continue as they identify projects that can be developed commercially.

Stablecoins have grown into a market worth hundreds of billions of dollars, yet most businesses still cannot accept them as easily as credit cards or bank transfers.

Read more...

Bitcoin cold-wallet attack spreads to 4,500 addresses as losses near $89 million

Galaxy Research flagged a third wave of sweeps tied to weak Coldcard-generated keys, with the attacker now targeting smaller balances and changing how funds are collected onchain.

The attacker working through Coldcard-generated keys is now emptying wallets worth a few thousand dollars each.

Galaxy Research flagged a third wave of sweeps early Sunday, roughly 208 bitcoin drained from 1,912 addresses between Friday midday and Saturday morning UTC.

That is just over a tenth of a bitcoin per victim. The July 30 opening wave averaged close to a full coin, 1,083 bitcoin from 1,196 addresses in 41 minutes.

Observed losses across all three waves now total 1,367 bitcoin, nearly $89 million, from 4,585 addresses.

Wave three sends each victim's coins to its own destination rather than the handful of shared collector addresses that made the first two easy to map, and parks them in pay-to-witness-script-hash outputs, a format that can carry multisignature or timelock conditions, instead of the plain single-key outputs used before.

It batched an average of six victims into each sweep where wave one took exactly one at a time, and it scanned only the default derivation path, the standard branch of the key tree a wallet checks first, instead of testing several branches per seed.

That is either the same operator rebuilding after being enumerated in public or a second one grinding the same vulnerable key space independently, and the chain does not distinguish them.

Read more...

Bitcoin started the week on a stronger footing, climbing back above the $63K level after briefly dipping to around $62.2K during Monday's session. Buyers steadily stepped in throughout the Asian trading session, pushing BTC above $64K and showing that demand remains active near recent support levels. The quick recovery is encouraging, but the real test now is whether Bitcoin can hold above $63K consistently. This level has been reclaimed and lost multiple times over the past few days, making it a key battleground between bulls and bears. A successful hold above this zone would improve the short-term outlook, while another rejection could signal that buyers are becoming less aggressive on each dip.

The broader crypto market also traded higher, although strength remained uneven across major assets. Ethereum continued to lag behind the rest of the market, remaining the only major cryptocurrency still posting weekly losses. XRP and BNB showed better relative strength, with BNB emerging as one of the strongest performers among the large-cap assets over the past week. Solana, Tron and Dogecoin also posted modest gains, while Hyperliquid's HYPE recovered part of last week's losses despite remaining below recent highs. This rotation suggests traders are becoming increasingly selective, with capital flowing into stronger setups rather than lifting the entire altcoin market.

Market participants also continued monitoring the ongoing Coldcard wallet security incident. Another wave of unauthorized wallet sweeps moved hundreds of Bitcoin from compromised addresses during the week, although investigators have yet to confirm whether the same attacker is responsible for all of the incidents. The situation serves as another reminder that security remains one of the most important risks facing digital asset holders, regardless of broader market conditions.

Institutional activity also remained in focus after Michael Saylor's Strategy disclosed another Bitcoin sale. The company sold 1,638 BTC for approximately $105 million, marking its third sale of the year. The proceeds were used to fund preferred stock dividends and share buybacks rather than purchasing additional Bitcoin. Although the sale came at prices below Strategy's average acquisition cost, the company continues to maintain one of the largest Bitcoin holdings in the world while increasing its cash reserves. The move reflects a more balanced treasury management strategy rather than a shift away from Bitcoin as a long-term reserve asset.

Outside the crypto market, mixed performance across global equity markets continues to influence investor sentiment. Asian equities weakened during the session, while technology stocks in the United States provided some support after strong earnings from selected companies. Bitcoin continues to trade alongside broader risk sentiment, making macroeconomic developments an important factor for short-term price direction.

Security concerns are also growing across the Bitcoin ecosystem. Boltz announced that it is temporarily suspending its non-custodial swap service after facing a significant increase in AI-assisted cyberattacks. According to the company, attackers are using increasingly sophisticated automated techniques to probe infrastructure faster than smaller development teams can respond. This highlights how artificial intelligence is becoming a new challenge for blockchain security and infrastructure providers.

The ETF landscape also saw an important development. Hashdex announced it will shut down its US spot Bitcoin ETF after failing to attract sufficient investor assets. The closure marks the first major liquidation among US spot Bitcoin ETFs and highlights the growing gap between dominant issuers and smaller competitors. While demand for Bitcoin ETFs remains strong overall, capital continues to concentrate in the largest funds, making it increasingly difficult for smaller products to compete.

Debate within the Bitcoin community also continues around Bitcoin Improvement Proposal 110 (BIP-110). Michael Saylor remains firmly opposed to the proposal, arguing that restricting non-monetary transactions would weaken Bitcoin's principles of neutrality and permissionless innovation. The discussion has become one of the most closely watched protocol debates in recent years, reflecting the ongoing balance between improving network efficiency and preserving Bitcoin's open architecture.

Meanwhile, regulatory uncertainty remains another key factor for the market. Analysts at Bernstein believe the chances of the US Senate passing the CLARITY Act before the summer recess are fading. A delay could trigger another wave of short-term weakness across crypto markets as investors react to the absence of clear legislation. However, Bernstein also believes regulators such as the SEC and CFTC may accelerate independent rulemaking efforts under Project Crypto, which could ultimately provide greater clarity even if congressional legislation takes longer than expected.

The crypto market continues to stabilize after recent volatility, with Bitcoin once again defending the important $63K support zone. Holding above this level remains critical for maintaining short-term bullish momentum. Spot demand appears to be gradually improving, but repeated tests of support suggest buyers still need stronger conviction. Altcoins remain selective, with stronger assets attracting capital while weaker sectors continue to lag. Institutional activity remains mixed as some firms manage treasury positions while long-term adoption trends remain intact. Security continues to be a major theme, with AI-assisted attacks becoming an emerging risk across blockchain infrastructure. Regulatory developments will remain one of the biggest catalysts for market direction over the coming weeks. Delays surrounding the CLARITY Act could create temporary downside pressure, although broader regulatory progress continues through other initiatives. Bitcoin's ability to defend current support while attracting renewed spot buying will likely determine whether the market can build a stronger recovery. If buyers maintain control above the current range, confidence should gradually improve heading into the next phase of the market cycle, but traders should continue expecting elevated volatility until stronger confirmation of trend emerges.

Bitcoin continues to trade inside a tight consolidation range after finding strong support near the $63,000 region. Buyers have defended this area several times over the past week, showing that demand remains healthy despite recent volatility. The 20-day EMA has started to flatten, while the RSI is hovering close to the midpoint, suggesting that selling pressure is easing and the market is waiting for its next directional move. Bulls now need to push BTC above the 50-day EMA near the $65,000 level to regain short-term control. If they succeed, Bitcoin could gather momentum toward the $67,500 resistance, followed by the important psychological level at $70,000. However, if price fails to hold above the $63,000 support zone, sellers may attempt another move toward the $60,000 region. The longer Bitcoin continues to defend current support, the stronger the probability of an eventual breakout to the upside becomes. For now, BTC remains in accumulation mode as traders wait for confirmation.

Ethereum continues to outperform several major altcoins after holding firmly above the $1,800 support zone. Buyers have gradually regained confidence, but ETH is still struggling to reclaim the major resistance near $1,900, which remains the key breakout level for the short-term trend. The flattening 20-day EMA and improving RSI suggest that bearish momentum is fading, allowing bulls to slowly rebuild market structure. A sustained close above $1,900 would strengthen the recovery and could trigger a move toward the $2,000 region, with further upside possible if buying volume increases. On the downside, losing the $1,800 support would weaken sentiment and expose Ethereum to another test of lower demand zones. Overall, ETH continues to build a constructive base, but confirmation above resistance is still needed before traders can expect a stronger rally.

BNB remains one of the stronger large-cap cryptocurrencies despite the recent market volatility. The asset continues to trade comfortably above its major support near $570 while gradually building a higher base. Buyers have repeatedly stepped in on pullbacks, suggesting that accumulation is still taking place. The 20-day EMA is beginning to flatten, and momentum indicators are showing signs of improvement as selling pressure continues to fade. Bulls now need to reclaim the $605 resistance zone to strengthen the recovery and target the next resistance around $635. A successful breakout above that level could shift momentum toward the broader $670 region. However, if BNB loses the $570 support, the current recovery structure would weaken considerably and expose the market to another corrective move. For now, BNB continues to show relative strength compared to many major altcoins.

XRP continues to consolidate after defending the important $1.06 support level, showing that buyers are still active despite the lack of strong momentum. The moving averages are beginning to flatten, while RSI is gradually recovering from recent weakness, indicating that selling pressure is slowly easing. Buyers now need to push XRP above the nearby resistance around $1.12 before attempting a move toward the $1.20-$1.25 region. A successful breakout there would improve sentiment significantly and could trigger a larger recovery toward previous highs. On the downside, a break below $1.06 would shift short-term momentum back toward the bears and expose the psychological $1.00 support. XRP continues to trade inside a compression range, and traders should expect increased volatility once price breaks out of the current structure.

Solana remains locked inside a broad consolidation range after successfully defending the $70 support area over the past week. Buyers continue to absorb selling pressure on dips, but the recovery is struggling to gain momentum above the short-term moving averages. The flattening 20-day EMA and neutral RSI suggest that neither bulls nor bears currently have a decisive advantage. A close above the $76-$78 resistance zone would improve sentiment and could lead to a move toward the next major resistance near $82 and then $90. However, if SOL loses the $70 support level, sellers may attempt to drive the pair toward the mid-$60 region. Solana continues to build a healthy base, but traders are still waiting for a confirmed breakout before becoming more aggressive.

Bitcoin continues to lead the market, and its ability to defend the $63,000 support zone remains the most important factor for overall crypto sentiment. A sustained move above the 50-day EMA near $65,000 would improve confidence and could trigger another leg higher toward the $67,500 and $70,000 resistance levels. Ethereum continues to show relative strength, but traders should wait for a confirmed breakout above $1,900 before expecting a stronger recovery. BNB remains one of the healthiest large-cap charts and could outperform if it successfully clears the $605 resistance area. XRP continues to trade inside a tight consolidation range, and a breakout above $1.12 could be the first signal that momentum is returning. Solana is also compressing inside a well-defined range, with a move above $78 likely to attract fresh buying interest. Overall, the market is showing signs of stabilization after several volatile weeks, but confirmation is still needed before calling for a broader trend reversal. Volume remains relatively light, suggesting traders are waiting for a stronger catalyst before committing to larger positions. Until Bitcoin breaks decisively above resistance, range trading and disciplined risk management remain the preferred strategy. Once BTC confirms direction, the major altcoins are likely to follow with stronger momentum and offer the best trading opportunities over the coming weeks.

US Treasury Sanctions Iranian Firms Taking Bitcoin for Hormuz Passage

OFAC sanctioned two Iranian firms including Hormuz Safe, which “accepts payment in Bitcoin and other digital assets.”

OFAC sanctioned two Iranian firms behind a scheme requiring vessels to buy IRGC-approved "insurance" to transit the Strait of Hormuz.
One of them, Hormuz Safe, accepts Bitcoin and other digital assets to evade sanctions, Treasury said.

Blockchain analysts told Decrypt in April they saw no evidence crypto was being used at scale for Hormuz tolls.
Iran is accepting Bitcoin from commercial shipping in exchange for passage through the Strait of Hormuz, according to the U.S. Treasury, whose Office of Foreign Assets Control sanctioned two firms behind the scheme on Wednesday. Vessels crossing the chokepoint, which carries a fifth of the world's oil, are required to buy maritime "insurance" approved by the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps.

The cover protects against risks Iran itself creates, Treasury said, chiefly the seizure of vessels. Persian Gulf Marine Insurance Company, set up by Iran's insurance regulator, brokers the policies. They are approved by the IRGC-backed Persian Gulf Strait Authority, which Washington designated in May.

Read more...

New York State Sues Prediction Market Platform Kalshi Over Unlicensed Betting Operations

New York state officials target the prediction market platform Kalshi in a lawsuit over claims of unlicensed betting on sports, elections and other outcomes.

The action seeks to halt the company’s activities in the state while imposing significant financial penalties, according to New York Attorney General Letitia James.

According to the lawsuit, the platform’s markets qualify as gambling under state law because participants risk money on uncertain results beyond their control.

Officials note the company launched its service in 2021 and added sports-related contracts in 2025 while advertising them as legal nationwide trading options.

The platform permits participation by users as young as 18, bypassing the state’s minimum age of 21 for mobile sports wagering.

Says James,

“New York’s gambling laws protect children from underage betting and help combat gambling addiction. No matter what they call themselves, prediction markets like Kalshi are gambling platforms, plain and simple. By ignoring our laws, Kalshi is running an illegal operation and harming New Yorkers in the process. We are taking them to court to uphold our laws and protect New Yorkers.”

New York is seeking billions of dollars in financial penalties against Kalshi.

Read more...

Ten mystery investors are using 2,380 BTC to completely hijack a Nasdaq company and gut its leadership

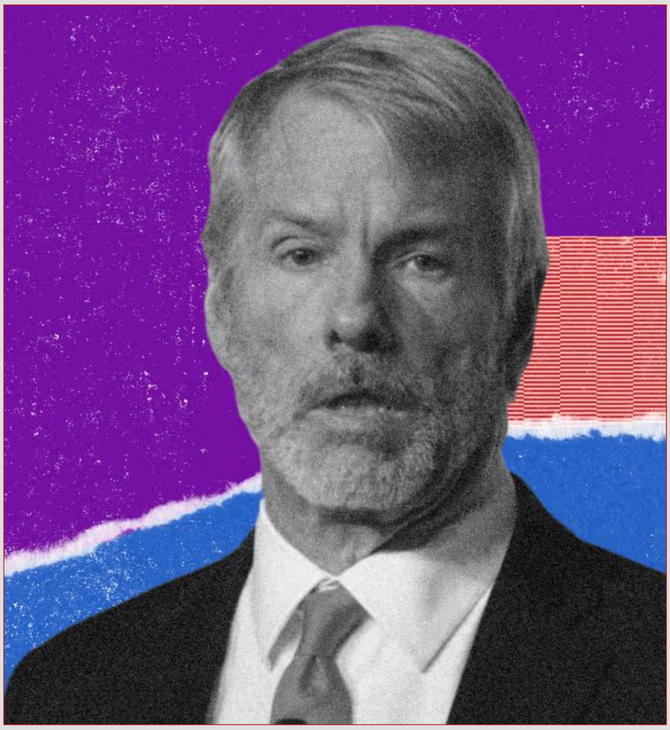
Zhibao Technology, a Nasdaq-listed Chinese insurtech company, signed a $154.7 million private investment in public equity (PIPE) agreement payable in 2,380 BTC. If it closes, investors would take control of the board and management. No closing had been disclosed as of Aug. 1.

Under the July 31 securities purchase agreement, investors would buy 442 million units at $0.35 each. Every unit contains one Class A ordinary share plus a two-year warrant to buy another Class A share at $0.35. The potential issuance totals 884 million new shares: 442 million at closing and up to 442 million later through warrant exercise.

The governance shift would begin at closing. Investors would designate four of five directors and choose the new CEO and CFO. Four incumbent directors and the current CEO and CFO would resign, while Botao Ma would remain a director.

The agreement fixes BTC at $65,000 based on July 30 prices, producing the 2,380-BTC payment. Each of the 10 investor entities listed in the agreement is allocated 44.2 million units for $15.47 million, payable with 238 BTC. Zhibao's existing share structure cannot accommodate even the first issuance without a change. The company reported 32,184,970 Class A shares and 16,816,692 Class B shares outstanding, with 450 million Class A shares authorized. Its Class B shares convert one-for-one into Class A and carry 20 votes before conversion.

Read more...



Strategy holds STRC dividend at 12%

Customarily, Michael Saylor and team have lifted the STRC dividend when it trades sizably below par, but not this month.

Holders of Strategy's (MSTR) high-yielding preferred stock STRC will not see a dividend increase in August.

Led by Executive Chairman Michael Saylor, Strategy is maintaining the current 12% dividend on the shares.

STRC investors may have been expecting as much as a 50-basis-point hike in the dividend as Strategy has customarily raised the payout anytime the stock traded sizably below its par value ($100) for the month.

As recently as July 1, Strategy had lifted the dividend 50 basis points following June's plunge in STRC to as low as $71.

While that hike — along with Strategy's sale of some bitcoin to fund dividends, and a bit of stabilization in the price of bitcoin — helped STRC bounce in July to the current $89.46, that level is still significantly below par.

CEO Phong Le yesterday said Strategy's Corporate Objective is for STRC to trade at $99-$100 over time.

Nevertheless, the company is under no obligation to raise the dividend and chose not to do so this month.

Read more...

Russia Charges Telegram Founder Pavel Durov as Pressure on Messaging App Grows

Russia's Federal Security Service (FSB) has charged Telegram founder Pavel Durov with allegedly facilitating terrorist activities and placed him on an international wanted list. The agency accused Telegram of failing to remove channels, chats and bots that it says were used by Ukrainian intelligence and extremist groups to coordinate terrorism, sabotage and cybercrime. Neither Durov nor Telegram has responded to the latest allegations.

Russia has previously tried to block Telegram and has restricted several other major platforms while promoting its own messaging service, MAX. Durov has accused Russian authorities of using legal pressure to limit privacy and free speech. If convicted in Russia, he could face life in prison.

What Durov's legal fight says about the future of private messaging

Durov's legal battle could add to pressure on messaging companies to rethink how they balance user privacy with government demands. Platforms may face stronger calls to improve systems for identifying harmful activity while still protecting legitimate private communication.

This issue could also influence how governments approach large messaging services that operate across borders.

Read more...

Chainlink Whale Moves 800K LINK From Coinbase To Custody

On-chain data tracked through Arkham shows a Chainlink whale moving 800,000 LINK, worth roughly $6.8 million, from Coinbase into custody on July 30.

The validated notes say the transfer brought the receiving wallet's total holdings to 5.315 million LINK, valued at more than $44 million. Chainlink's spot market, meanwhile, has been consolidating below the $9 level.

That makes this a classic whale story: interesting, but easy to overread.

A large LINK transfer can point to accumulation, custody management, institutional positioning, or a simple wallet reorganization. It does not automatically mean a breakout is coming.

Still, when a wallet this large adds to its holdings during consolidation, Chainlink traders pay attention.

Crypto traders often watch exchange withdrawals because they can suggest assets are moving into longer-term custody.

If tokens leave an exchange, they may be less immediately available for sale. That can be read as a bullish signal, especially when the transfer is large and the asset is consolidating.

But the interpretation is never automatic.

A withdrawal might be internal custody. It might be a fund moving assets between accounts. It might be collateral management. It might be preparation for OTC activity. It might simply reflect security preferences.

Read more...

Switzerland's Crypto Use Is Double Germany's, Study Finds

Switzerland has spent years building the conditions for broader cryptocurrency adoption, and the latest data suggest those efforts are paying off. A Bearingpoint study found that 23% of Swiss adults use cryptocurrency at least occasionally, more than double Germany's 11% rate, pointing to a market where digital assets have steadily become part of mainstream financial discussions rather than a niche interest.

Switzerland Pulls Ahead on Digital Money
The Bearingpoint survey, released July 30, questioned more than 4,000 adults across Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. Austria landed in the middle, with 18% of respondents reporting at least occasional cryptocurrency use, reinforcing that the gap is not simply about interest in digital assets but how each market has evolved over time.

YouGov conducted the online survey between June 18 and June 29, polling 2,031 people in Germany, 1,003 in Austria, and 1,001 in Switzerland. The sample was weighted by age, gender, and region, providing a representative snapshot of adults in each country.

The differences run deeper than ownership. In Switzerland, 37% of respondents viewed cryptocurrency as a worthwhile investment, compared with 28% in Austria and 23% in Germany. Swiss respondents were also more willing to see digital assets eventually serving as international trade or reserve currencies, with 45% expressing that view versus 36% in Austria and 32% in Germany.

Read more...

South Korean Police Arrest Three In $9M Fake XRP Staking Case

South Korean police have arrested three suspects tied to an alleged fake XRP staking platform that reportedly defrauded 71 investors out of 3.4 million XRP, worth about $9 million.

South Korean police reporting identifies the platform as Fxrpntwork.com and says authorities froze 17.3 billion won in digital assets on overseas exchanges. The case is still ongoing, so the legal framing needs to stay careful.

Arrests are not convictions. Allegations still have to move through the legal process.

Still, the case is another reminder that staking scams remain one of crypto's most effective fraud formats, especially when they attach themselves to large, familiar assets like XRP.

South Korean police arrested three suspects in an alleged fake XRP staking fraud.

The case involves 3.4 million XRP from 71 investors.

Authorities reportedly froze 17.3 billion won in digital assets.

Why Fake Staking Scams Work
Fake staking platforms are dangerous because they borrow the language of legitimate crypto yield.

Users know that some blockchains offer staking. They know that crypto platforms sometimes provide yield. They may also know that large assets can have ecosystem products built around them.

Read more...

WWW.PLATINUMCRYPTOACADEMY.COM