





FINTECH: THE FUTURE OF FINANCE



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CRYPTOCURRENCY MARKET: the most used cryptocurrencies by market capitalization, trends, trading platforms, volatility issues.

> FinTech (FINANCIAL TECHNOLOGY): FinTech 3.0, FinTech and Banking, digital banking, customers' perceptions on Fintech industry.

CROWDFUNDING: the basic concepts of crowdfunding, improving the mechanism through blockchain technology, examples of crowdfunding platforms. Bitcoin is designed to be trustworthy, replacing those parties that one may mistrust with a decentralized system logged to a publicly viewable blockchain.



BITCOIN:

- a completely decentralized security architecture;
- the system uses a Proof-of-Work algorithm to arrive to the consensus;
- improves efficiency, removing the system incompatibilities and speeding up the payments;
- has no single controller of the data;
- the use of blockchain reduces the risks and increases the business cohesion.

Bitcoin price evolution



https://coinmarketcap.com/currencies/bitcoin/

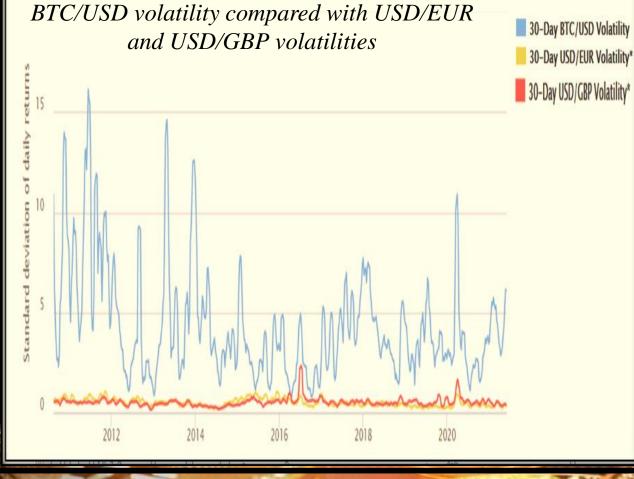
We can notice an explosion of price in December 2017. Since then, the Bitcoin price has slowed down, tried to recover in 2018, but has been clearly declining at the end of the year.

Until march 2019, there has been a low level of volatility of the prices, suggesting an accumulation phase before the next strong decrease.

In the period April 2019 – June 2019, there was a soft increase of the Bitcoin price, reaching the maximum point in July. This local peak emphasized the decreasing trend which was very similar with the one observed throughout almost the whole of the year 2018.

The live Bitcoin price today is \$36,383.04 USD with a 24-hour trading volume of \$37,640,574,524 USD. Bitcoin is up 5.84% in the last 24 hours. The current CoinMarketCap ranking is #1, with a live market cap of \$681,987,710,867 USD.

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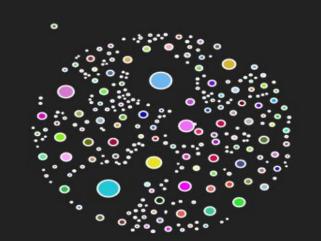


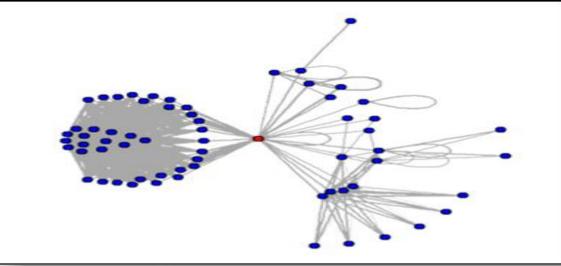
Source: https://www.buybitcoinworldwide.com/volatility-index//

Bitcoin Price: \$36,403.56 Price Change 24h: \$2,033.92 (+6,02%) 24h Low / 24h High: \$34,166.28 / \$36,542.11 Trading Volume 24h: \$37,640,574,524.36 (+3,41%) Volume / Market Cap: 0.05519 Market Dominance: 46.15% Market Rank: #1

Bitcoin Market Cap Market Cap: \$681,987,710,866.67 (+5,84%) Fully Diluted Market Cap: \$764,043,754,333.90 (+8,51%)

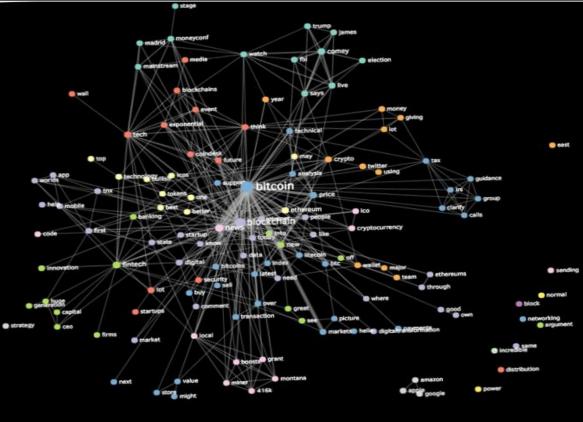
All Time High - Apr 14, 2021 (2 months ago): \$64,863.10 (-43,91%) All Time Low - Jul 05, 2013 (8 years ago): \$65.53 (+55424.58%) Circulating Supply: 18,744,662 BTC Max Supply: 21,000,000 BTC





LAST TRANSACTION:AmountB0.3729Timea few seconds agoMined by54.180.163.96Relay locationKR, 28, Incheon

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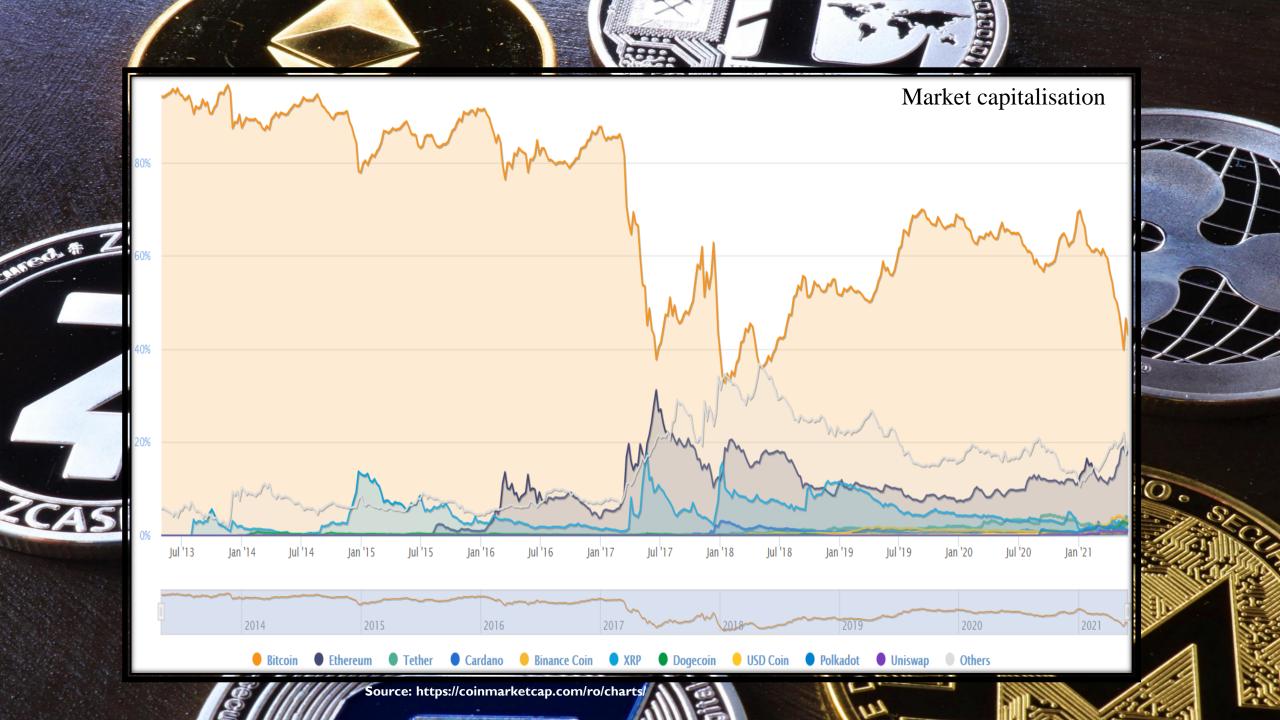


Name	Symbol	Start	Algorith	Proof	Max. supply	Current supply
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Bitcoin	BTC	13.01.2009	SHA-256	PoW	20,999,999.98	18,713,700.00
Bitcoin Cash	ВСН	01.08.2017	SHA-256	PoW	20,999,999.98	18,746,168.65
thereum	ETH	30.07.2015	Ethash	PoW	-	116,016,635.25
Ethereum Classic	ETC	23.07.2016	Ethash	PoW	210,700,000.00	127,474,289.74
Tether	USDT	06.10.2014	-	-	-	60,237,608,885.52
Binance Coin	BNB	27.06.2017	BEP-2	PoSA	-	169,433,763.90
Cardano	ADA	05.10.2017	Ouroboro s	PoS	45,000,000,000.00	32,119,860,463.01
Ripple	XRP	01.01.2013	-	Federated Consensus	100,000,000,000.00	99,990,424,619.00
Dogecoin	DOGE	06.12.2013	Scrypt	PoW	-	129,608,176,383.70
Litecoin	LTC	13.10.2011	Scrypt	PoW	84,000,000.00	67,726,620.73

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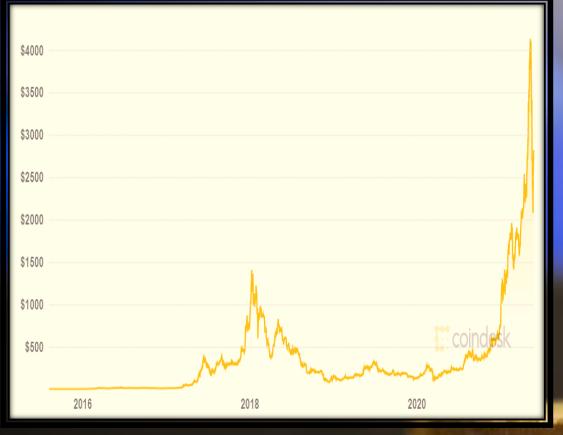
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Source: https://www.cryptocompare.com/



- Block #0 Frontier* (July 30, 2015)
- Block #200,000 Ice Age** (September 8, 2015)
- Block #1,150,000 Homestead* (March 14, 2016)
- Block #1,920,000 DAO** (July 20, 2016)
- Block #2,463,000 Tangerine Whistle** (October 18, 2016)
- Block #2,675,000 Spurious Dragon** (November 23, 2016)
- Block #4,370,000 Metropolis * (October 16, 2017)
- Block #4,370,000 Byzantium** (October 16, 2017)
- Block #7,280,000 Constantinople** (February 28, 2019)
- Block #7,280,000 Petersburg** (February 28, 2019)
- Block #9,069,000 Istanbul** (December 8, 2019)
- Block # 9,200,000 Muir Glacier** (January 1, 2020)
- Block # 12,244,000 Berlin** (April 15, 2021)
- London** planned for July 2021
- Serenity*





Source: https://www.coindesk.com/price/ethereum

ETH price evolution

ETH Price: \$2,156.59 Price Change 24h: \$11.56 (+0,55%) 24h Low / 24h High: \$2,090.76 / \$2,242.24 Trading Volume 24h: \$24,723,655,889.93 (-3,34%) Volume / Market Cap: 0.09831 Market Dominance: 17.58% Market Rank: #2

ETH Market Cap Market Cap: \$251,489,590,316.41 (+1,26%)

All Time High - May 12, 2021 (2 months ago): \$4,362.35 (-50,51%) All Time Low - Oct 21, 2015 (6 years ago): \$0.4209 (+512786.28%) Circulating Supply: 116,499,239 ETH Max Supply: -

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Pair 🕈	Last Price \$	24h Volume 🕯
* AAVE/BNB	4.2900 / \$173.09	10,757
# ADA/BNB	0.0 \$8525 / \$0.343963	33,500
* ALGO/BNB	0.01221 / \$0.492644	12,913
* ALPHA/BNB	0.0172804 / \$0.69722	3 10,431
* ANKR/BNB	0.0002927 / \$0.01181	34,018
* ANT/BNB	0.0902 / \$3.64	4,685
* ARPA/BNB	0.000636 / \$0.025661	2,286
* ATOM/BNB	0.2026 / \$8.17	3,924
# AVA/BNB	0.03301 / \$1.33	3,681

BTC/USDT 10x -

32,429.44

\$32,429.44

24h Change

-2.491.59 -7.13%

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24h High



24h Low 24h Volume(BTC) 24h Volume(USDT) 35,670.00 31,300.00 103,978.70 3,511,499,247.10

https://www.binance.com/en

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1227.89	14.67300	18,016	82997
1227.88	1.74918	2,147	78314
1227.83	0.01626	19	96452
1227.77	2.80000	3,437	75600
1227.76	30.00000	36,832	80000

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1227.58	0.01628	19.9850
1227.42	1.00000	1,227.4200
1227.31	0.40721	499.7729
1227.30	1.62871	1,998.9157
1227.20	8.00000	9,817.6000
1227.19	1.62882	1,998.8716
1227.10	0.04485	55.0354
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Assets

BTC Available:

USDT Available:

Deposit

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Withdraw

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Withdraw

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Deposit

BTC Available:

USDT Available:

FINTECH 3.0



- 1866-1967
- The transatlantic telegraph cable
- The global telex network

FinTech I.0

• ATMs

FinTech 2.0

- 1967-2008
- The internet
- The Internet of Things
- The electronic payment systems

- 2008-present
- Data technologies
- The new online banking
- The era of the new fintech startups



FINTECH AND BANKING: A THREAT OR AN OPPORTUNITY?



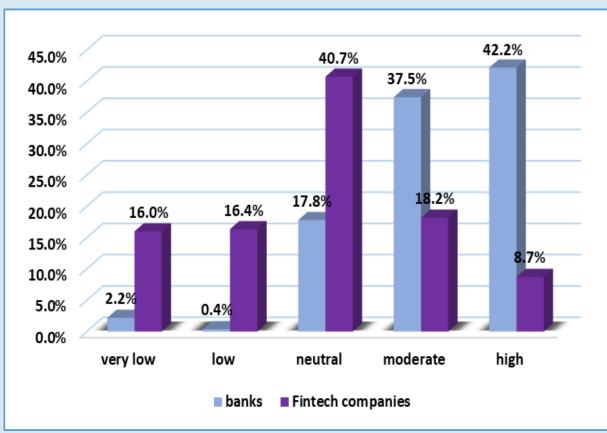
• H01: There is a strong relationship between the plethora of financial services used by the respondents and their Fintech affinities.

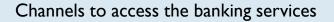
• H02: There is a direct relationship between the online banking frequency and the willingness to try another financial option, including Fintech.

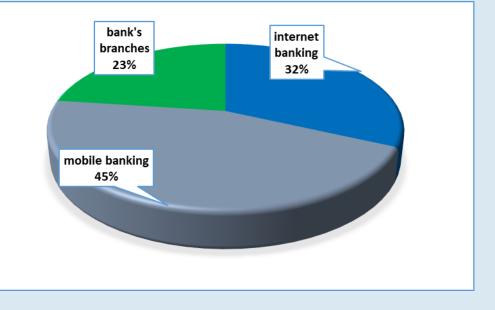
H03: There is no correlation between the level of trust that consumers of banking services in Romania have in digital banking and the level of trust that these consumers also have in the fintech companies' financial services.



Level of trust – Banks versus Fintech







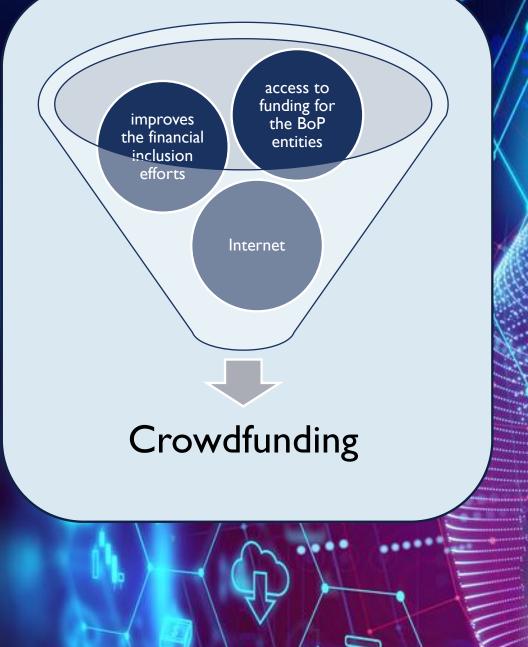


• H03: The price influence is not the primary determinant of the intention to switch to a Fintech company.

		Fin_knowledge	Trust_Fintech
Fin_knowledge	Pearson Correlation	1	,123**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		,002
	Ν	656	656
Trust_Fintech	Pearson Correlation	,123**	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	,002	
	Ν	656	656

**. Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

• H04: There is a positive correlation between financial knowledge and the attitude towards Fintech companies.



CROWDFUNDING:

- a large number of people = the crowd
- small amounts of money
- an online web-based crowdfunding platform
- an innovative alternative solution to the banking credits
- a way to promote the business activity or to raise the interest for the company in its early stage of development
- improving the crowdfunding process by implementing smart contracts

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The Pulp Tarot

A new Tarot deck, designed by graphic artist Todd Alcott, drawing inspiration from midcentury pulp...

by Todd Alcott

\$30,585 pledged 152% funded 24 days to go

Graphic Design Q Los Angeles, CA



L'Appartement 4F

L'Appartement 4F is leaving l'appartement! We signed the lease for a brick and mortar shop on Montague...

by Ashley Coiffard

\$25,774 pledged 51% funded 27 days to go

Restaurants **Q** Brooklyn, NY



Fossil Canyon

Dig fossils, build dinosaur skeletons, and grow your museum! A set-collection game developed with the...

by Polymath Play

\$47,670 pledged 953% funded 15 hours to go

Tabletop Games **Q** Chicago, IL

https://www.kickstarter.com/

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