

MONERO IS A SECURE, PRIVATE, UNTRACEABLE, AND FUNGIBLE DIGITAL CURRENCY – [LEARN MORE](#)

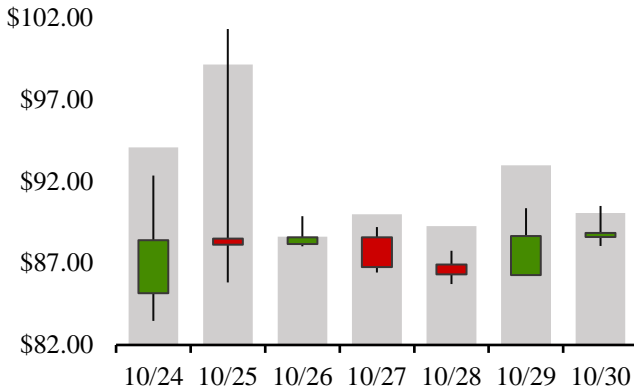
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PERFORMANCE

XMR Market Cap: \$1.36b
XMR Ranking: 10 (0)

	<u>10/30</u>	<u>1W</u>	<u>YTD</u>
XMR / BTC	0.0145	+0.6%	+1.3%
XMR / \$	\$88.84	+4.3%	+544.2%
BTC / \$	\$6,150.53	+3.3%	+536.2%
CAMCrypto30	\$835.26	+6.8%	+735.3%



THE LATEST

- Sarang Noether submitted a [status update documenting his latest work](#). Additionally, Sarang and Surae have completed their requests for funding to continue their research with the Monero Research lab through the end of Q1 2018. [Request from Sarang](#). [Request from Surae](#).

- [Wallet Monero](#) was launched, which gives users the opportunity to choose between several light wallets in the Monero ecosystem. See [reddit for discussion](#). Matt Smith shortly published an article after the launch discussing [whether users should trust Wallet Monero](#)

- The ledger team [announced an update on Monero integration](#) into their hardware wallet. Seems as if we are only a couple months away from completion.

- Monero Integrations Update #10 was announced by u/serhack. See [reddit for full announcement](#).

- Quartz reported that research firm Recorded Future says there's a strong chance Kim Jong-un's regime [is experimenting with malware that secretly mines currency using other people's computers](#). The cryptocurrencies most popularly mined in secret are Monero and Zcash.

- A Monero update was released, [Helium Hydra, Point Release 1](#). Some highlights of the release are:

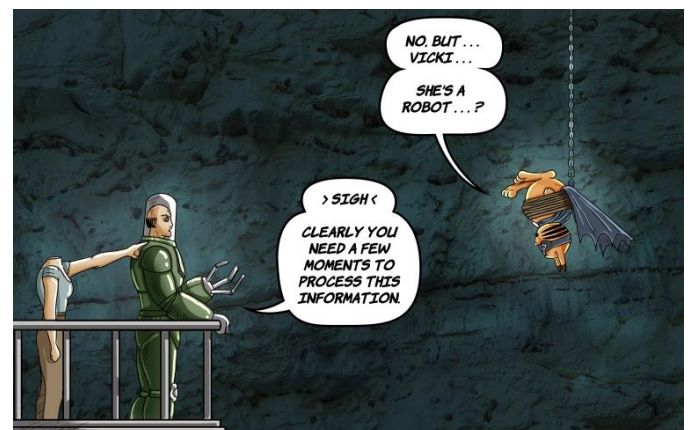
- Fixed an occasional sync failure that occurred when a transaction was already in the mempool
- Added an underflow check on low block heights
- Added a guard against a mined block not finding all the transactions in the mempool
- Fixed the transaction size estimator for transactions with a large number of inputs
- Fixed an LMDB issue on 32-bit systems
- The `get_tx_backlog` RPC call was unrestricted
- Threads now guard against exceptions during transaction verification
- Fixed a crash that could occur when checking pre-validated transactions
- Various other bug fixes and improvements"

- A Monero update for the GUI was also released, [Helium Hydra, Point Release 1](#). Some highlights of the release are:

- Fixed a bug where, in an edge case, the wallet wouldn't see the first transaction to it
- Added an option to change wallet creation height and rescan wallet cache
- Changed the default required confirmations to 10
- Reworked testnet settings in the wizard
- Updated the Windows installer
- Made the privacy slider smoother
- The password dialog box is now shown when making a transfer
- Added a Romanian translation"

- There is a guide on Monero stack exchange [on how to update to the latest version](#).

- [Monero Cat web-comic episode #6](#) was released.



- SamsungGalaxyPlayer published a [Monero introduction for beginners](#).
- LocalMonero [launched an affiliate program](#) in hopes of helping Monero decouple from the price of Bitcoin.
- Rennessay.com released customizable [Monero currency notes](#).



- Check out what was spotted in Germany by [@MoneroGermany](#).



- Cyber scoop reported how [unexplained cyberattacks sow chaos among dark web markets](#), Monero was mentioned.
- In a discussion over at r/darknetmarkets, the community discussed why it prefers [Monero over Zcash and Bitcoin](#).
- Coinpress discussed what caused the recent [Coinhive hack](#) and how it will affect Coinhive moving forward.
- Karnal discussed [privacy in the digital age](#), specifically going into financial privacy and mentioned Monero. Separately, Karnal discussed [the myth of the privacy coin](#) and how all but one cryptocurrency (Monero), are flawed.
- [Monero community survey #3 results are now available!](#) Special thanks to u/xmr_eric for putting this together.
- u/e-mess announced a [free public Monero node running as a TOR hidden service](#).

- Forum Funding System: Updates

- 1) [Kasisto Development](#) (100% funded!)
- 2) [Monero Bounty for Hackerone](#) (74.6% funded)
- 3) [Monero Tracking Challenge #2](#) (20.5% funded)
- 4) [Monero Meetup Kit](#) (Newly launched – 18.93% funded)

- u/edbwtf put together a [Twitter list](#) of Monero contributors, fans, and services for those interested.

- u/e-mess put together some graphs that [show the state of Monero's mempool](#).

- u/xmrtard shared how Monero the community can learn more to protect their privacy at [privacytools.io](#).

- u/xmr-rusticbison published a [five-minute quick guide to setting up a Monero wallet](#).

- Check out the latest [Monero wallpaper](#) created by u/MoneroMarketing.



- [Monero press kit](#) for the logo is now available.
- You can now [order a Monero t-shirt](#) on HODL Monkey.
- u/lakilla21 [created a Monero bracelet](#).



- The next [Monero Coffee Chat](#) will be on November 4th 15:00 UTC.
- There will be a [Monero Los Angeles meetup](#) on Tuesday, November 7th.

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