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Market Insight



Key Metrics					
Pairs	Spot Price	24 Hr Change	Low	High	Funding Rates
BTC/USD	\$19,278	1.80%	\$18,813	\$19,310	0.0037%
ETH/USD	\$1,344	0.33%	\$1,326	\$ 1,388	-0.0112%
XAU/USD	\$1,673.60	0.46%	\$1,661.60	\$1,678.60	
USD/CAD	\$1.3396	0.15%	\$1.3356	\$1.3396	
EUR/CAD	\$1.3262	-0.47%	\$1.3235	\$1.3394	

BITCOIN: A snapshot of Bitcoin's spot price as of this writing is \$19,278 representing a 1.80% increase the last 24 hours and 6.40% decrease in trading volume. The funding rate of BTC is 0.0037%.

ETHEREUM: ETH is trading at \$1,344 as of this writing, representing a 24-Hour increase of 0.33% and a funding rate of -0.0112%. Over the last 24 Hours, the trading volume decreased by 12.59%. 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 Bitcoin Trust	WisdomTree	October 10, 2022

Latest Digital Asset News



1) EU Finalizes Legal Text for Landmark Crypto Regulations Under MiCA ¹

The European Union has finalized the full text of its landmark Markets in Crypto Assets legislation. Officially, the text is still open to comments, but sources briefed on the talks have told CoinDesk that it is, in practice, finalized. A leaked draft of the bill dated Sept. 20 and verified by CoinDesk urges EU enforcers to take a “substance over form” approach to the law, meaning its provisions could even apply to some assets categorized as NFTs. In principle, NFTs are excluded from the framework, which requires issuers of crypto assets to publish white papers containing technical roadmaps, for platforms to register with the authorities, and requires stablecoin issuers to hold capital and be prudently managed.

2) Banking giant Nomura launches crypto VC unit ²

Nomura, one of Japan's biggest investment banks, is launching a new venture capital unit to invest in the crypto space. Dubbed Laser Venture Capital, the unit will invest in companies in the digital ecosystem, with a focus on decentralized finance (DeFi), centralized finance (CeFi), web3 and blockchain infrastructure, Nomura announced Wednesday. Laser Venture Capital will be the first product to launch from Nomura's new digital assets business, which has been named today as Laser Digital. The bank plans two further launches, around secondary trading and investor products.

3) House Stablecoin Bill Would Put Two-Year Ban on Terra-Like Coins ³

Legislation to regulate stablecoins that’s being drafted in the House would place a two-year ban on coins similar to TerraUSD, the algorithmic stablecoin that collapsed earlier this year. Under the latest version of the bill, it would be illegal to issue or create new “endogenously collateralized stablecoins,” according to a copy obtained by Bloomberg. The definition would kick in for stablecoins marketed as being able to be converted, redeemed or repurchased for a fixed amount of monetary value, and that rely solely on the value of another digital asset from the same creator to maintain their fixed price.

¹ <https://www.coindesk.com/policy/2022/09/21/eu-finalizes-legal-text-for-landmark-crypto-regulations-under-mica/>

² https://www.theblock.co/post/171700/banking-giant-nomura-launches-crypto-vc-unit?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss

³ <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2022-09-20/house-stablecoin-bill-would-put-two-year-ban-on-terra-like-coins?leadSource=uverify%20wall>

4) Nova Labs Inks Agreement With T-Mobile to Cover 5G Dead Spots in Helium Network

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Nova Labs, the company behind the crypto-powered wireless network Helium, said subscribers will get U.S. nationwide 5G coverage through a new five-year agreement with cellular giant T-Mobile. Under the deal, Nova Labs also will be able to offer mobile products and services that use both networks, according to a press release. Terms of the agreement weren't disclosed. "The announcement comes as Nova Labs plans to launch Helium Mobile, which will enable subscribers to earn crypto rewards for using the network," said the press release.

⁴ <https://www.coindesk.com/markets/2022/09/20/nova-labs-says-t-mobile-to-cover-5g-dead-spots-in-helium-network/>

Traders' Digest

Today is FOMC day. The meeting will conclude tomorrow at 14:00 ET, September 21, followed by the Fed Chairman Jerome Powell's press conference beginning at 14:30 ET.

According to the CME's FedWatch tool this morning, traders and economists are pricing in an 82% chance of a 75bps interest rate increase, while a 18% chance of a full 100bps rate hike.

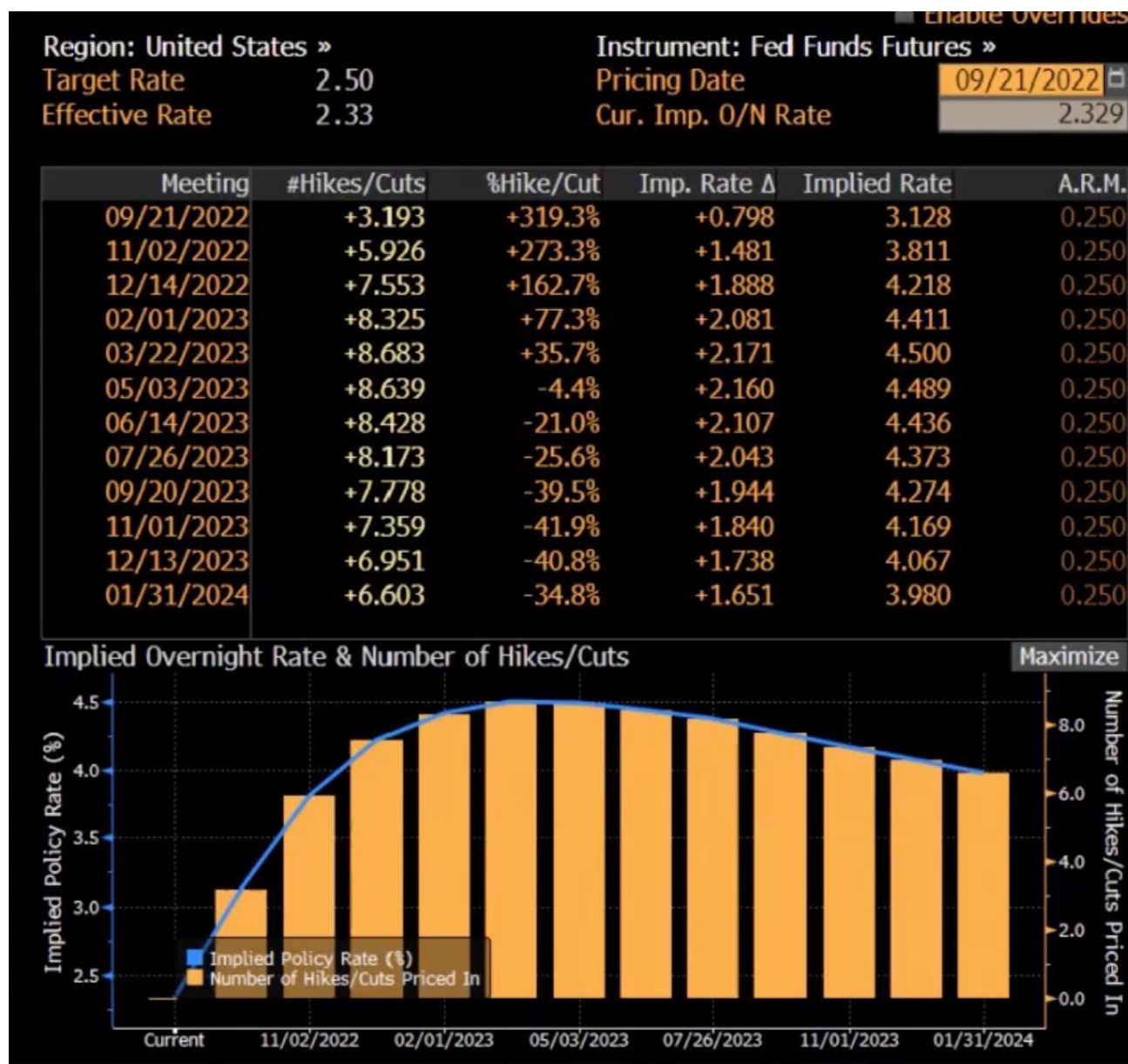
With risk assets, including bitcoin, under pressure ahead of Wednesday's pivotal Federal Reserve meeting, economists think markets have already incorporated another hawkish turnout.

The interest rate currently stands between 2.25% to 2.5% and the current betting is for the terminal rate to peak around 4.5% – a significant upward revision from the pre-August CPI pricing of 4%. Further, bitcoin and Ether have declined by 15% and 20% since the CPI release, while the S&P 500 has slipped by 4.5%.

Therefore, one of the most if not the most important metric of today's meeting is the higher bound of the 2023 range. Let's keep an eye on the economic projections and its current range of 2.9% to 4.4%. Anything above will be quite negative for the market, whereas anything below 4.4% could create a relief rally.







Altcoin Analysis

Solana had gained a lot of traction in 2021 despite having pulled back 90% since the highs.

According to Santiment, the coin has witnessed an increased activity on the network in the last 3 months as social media mentions jumped by 100% while social engagements surged by 170%. Solana had also recently recorded a daily NFT volume of 344,000 SOL, reaching its highest daily volume since the record high posted in May.

However, the recent price action is anything but promising.

SOLUSDT continues to trade within a consolidation zone after having fallen almost 40% since the highs of August. Prices are currently flirting with the lows of the pattern while the RSI has been capped by a declining trend line since the meltdown in April.

SOLBTC is also trading lower with lower lows and lower highs, a classic sign of bearish momentum.

SOL will have to break above its recent high as well as its 50-day moving average located near \$37.50 to get back on track. Until then, the trend is bearish with targets at \$28.50 and \$23.25 in extension.



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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