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# Weekly Factsheet

A comprehensive overview of cryptocurrency markets through weekly updated metrics and charts.

# Monday, May 2nd, 2022

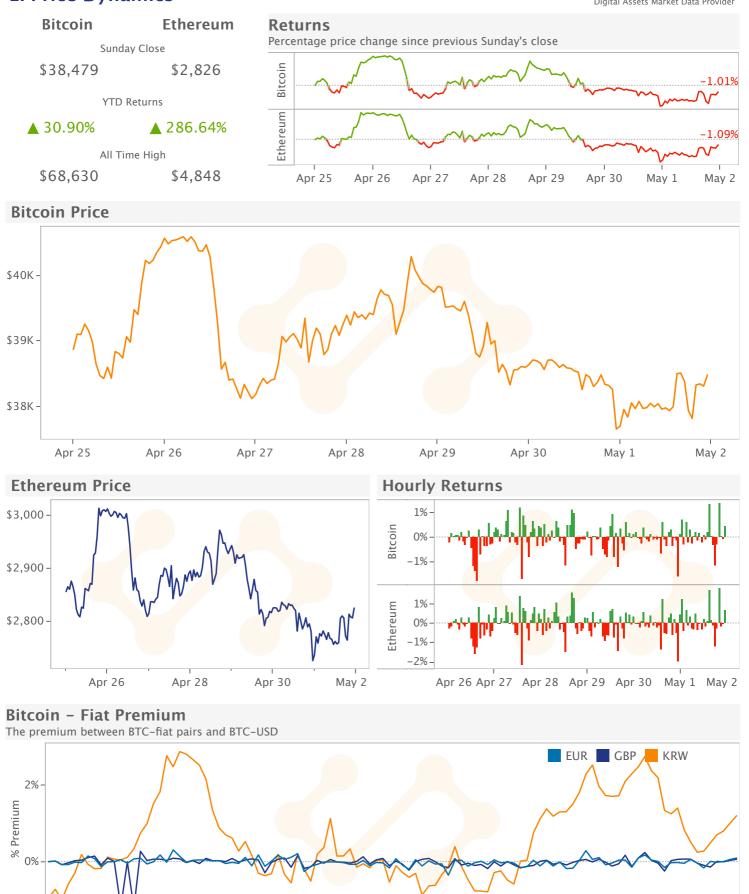
# **BTC-Exposed Tech Companies Underperform Bitcoin**

- Price Movements: DEX and CEX tokens are down double digits as trade volume on both types of exchange stagnates.
- Trade Volume: DOGE trading activity surged following the announcement that Elon Musk would acquire Twitter.
- Order Book Liquidity: FTX.US and Binance.US remain less liquid than their global affiliates, as measured by slippage.
- **Derivatives:** BTC-denominated open interest reached its highest level in more than a year, although USD-denominated OI remains flat.
- Macro Trends: The biggest BTC-exposed tech companies, including Block, Tesla and Microstrategy, are all underperforming the crypto asset.

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### **1. Price Dynamics**





Data sources: Kaiko hourly reference rates

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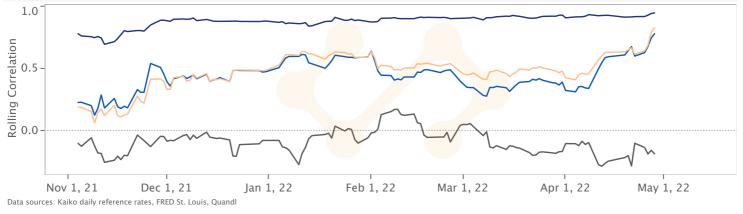
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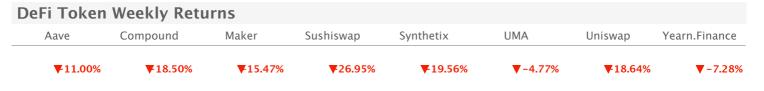
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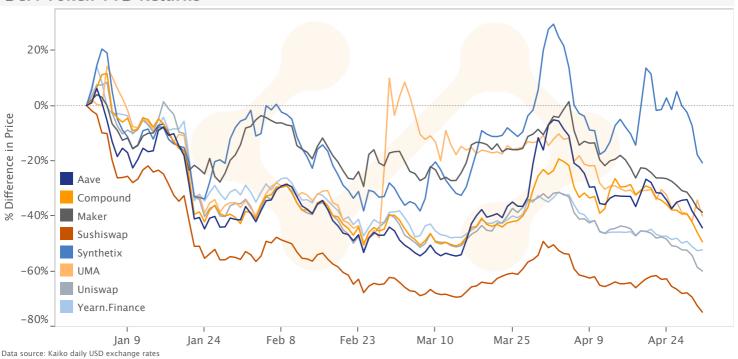


#### 30D Rolling Correlation with Bitcoin Daily Returns



#### 3. DeFi Tokens





#### DeFi Token YTD Returns

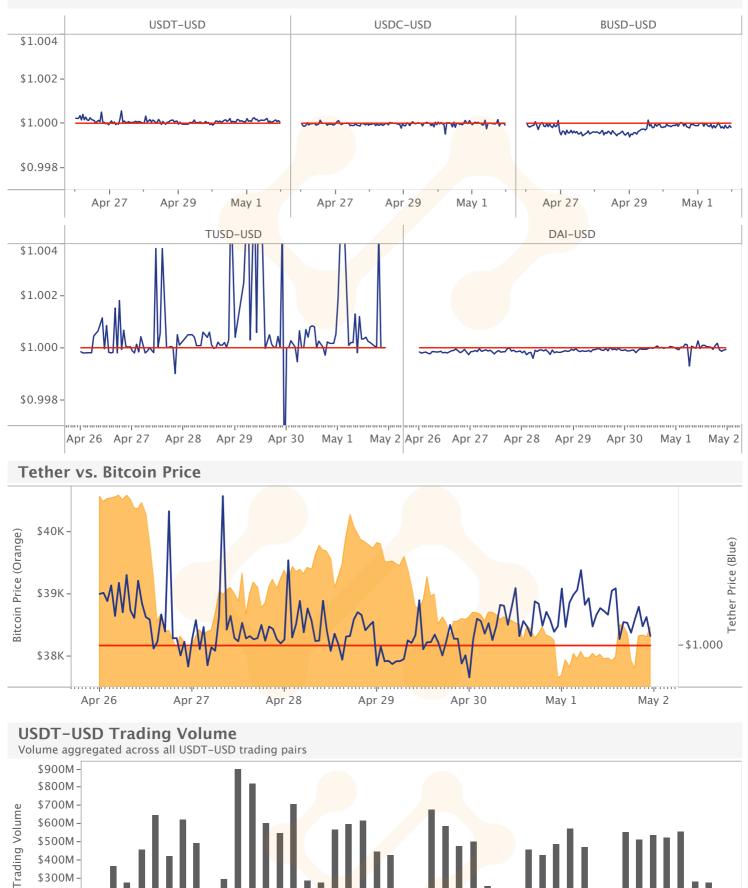
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### 4. Stablecoins



#### **Dollar-Pegged Stablecoin USD Exchange Rate**



Mar 26

Mar 31

Mar 21

Data Source: Hourly direct USD exchange rate and aggregated volume

\$400M \$300M \$200M \$100M

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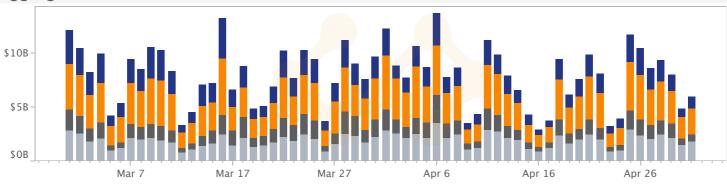
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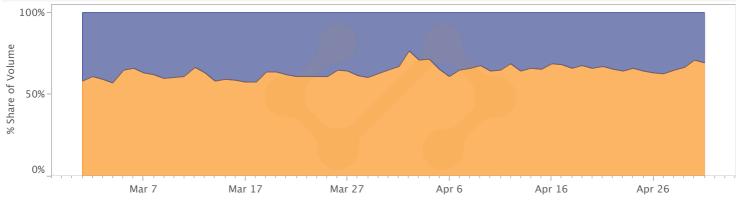
## 5. Aggregated Volume Dynamics

BTC-USD BTC-USDT ETH-USD ETH-USDT

#### Aggregated Trade Volume



#### Percentage Share of Volume: BTC-USD vs. BTC-USDT



# 100%-50%-0%

Mar 27

Apr 6

Apr 16

Apr 26

#### Percentage Share of Volume: BTC-USD vs. ETH-USD

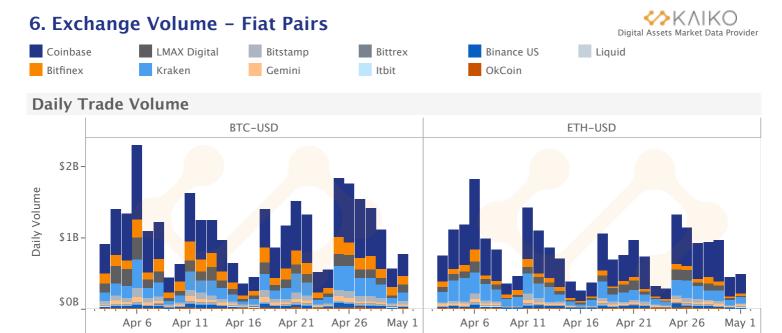
#### Weekly Percentage Difference in Trade Volume

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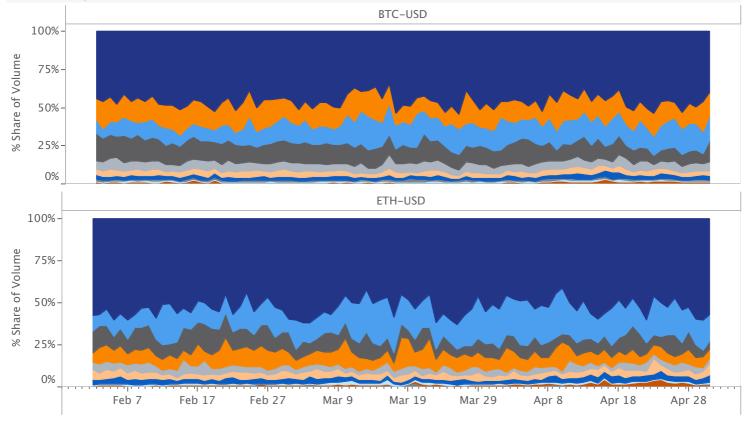
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Exchange	BTC-USD	ETH-USD	BTC-USDT	ETH-USDT
Binance			46.20%	▲ 103.21%
Binance US	▲ 18.67%	▲ 52.98%	▼ -10.97%	▲ 17.49%
Bitfinex	▲ 39.81%	▲ 28.58%	▲ 60.74%	<b>▲</b> 308.76%
Bitstamp	▲ 88.04%	▲ 85.93%		
Bittrex	▼ -2.25%	▲ 121.48%	▼ -10.25%	▲ 152.83%
Coinbase	▲ 23.99%	▲ 106.00%		
FTX	▲ 1.52%	▲ 60.14%	▼ -10.69%	▲ 32.82%
Gemini	▲ 32.68%	▲ 264.90%		
Huobi			▲ 54.64%	▲ 39.55%
Itbit	▲ 10.67%	▲ 98.49%		
Kraken	43.78%	46.74%	▼ -2.06%	▲ 248.97%
KuCoin			▲ 83.46%	▲ 80.57%
Liquid	▲ 1964.53%	▲ 57.81%	▲ 50.84%	▲ 39.75%
OkCoin	▼ -33.05%	▼ -54.40%	▼ -15.51%	▲ 24.28%
Poloniex			▲ 64.47%	▲ 174.40%

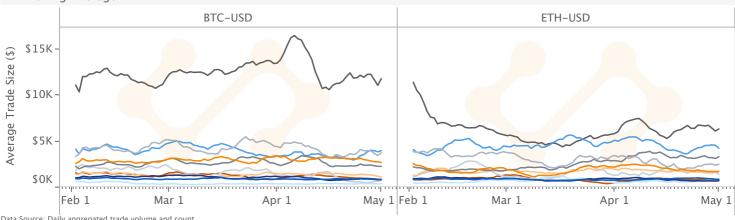
Data Source: Daily aggregated volume per trading pair and per instrument



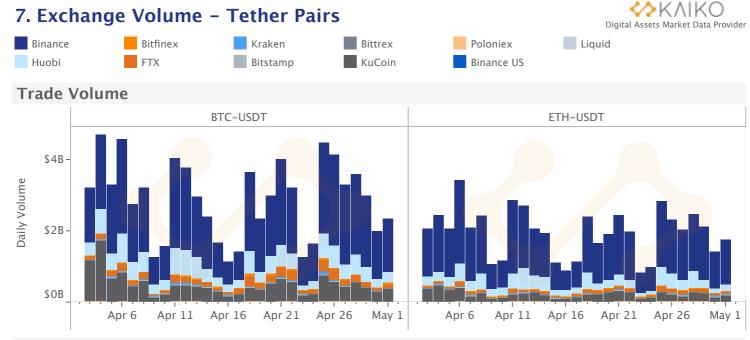
#### Percentage Share of Volume



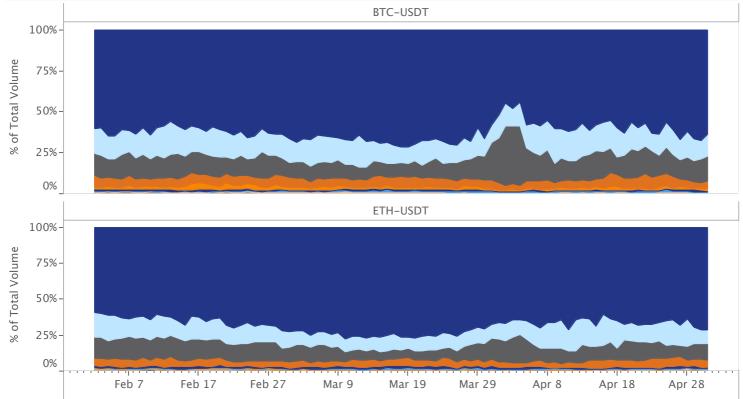
**Average Trade Size** 7D Moving Average



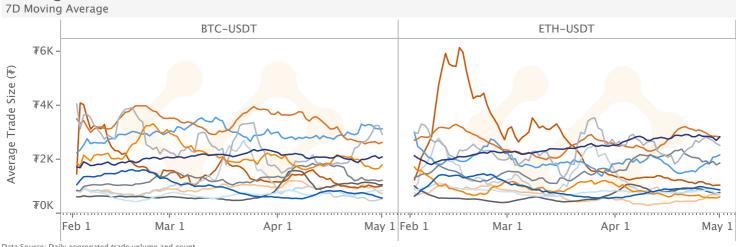
Data Source: Daily aggregated trade volume and count







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# 8. Order Book Liquidity - Fiat Pairs



#### Bitfinex Coinbase Bittrex Gemini

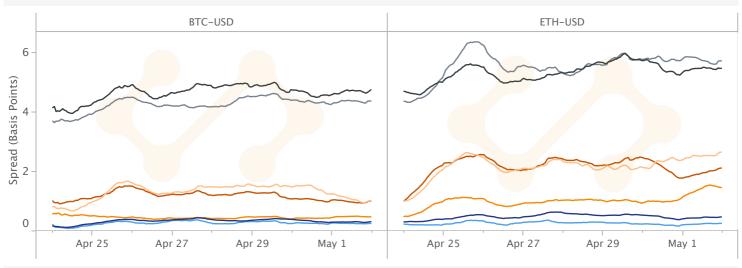
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Bitstamp

Kraken

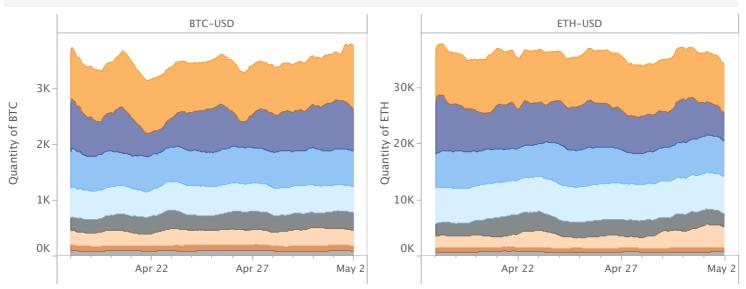
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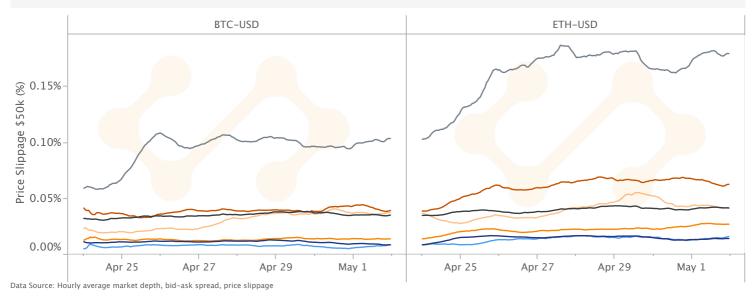
#### 2% Market Depth

The sum of all bids and asks placed within 2% of the midprice on a trading pair's order book.



#### **Price Slippage**

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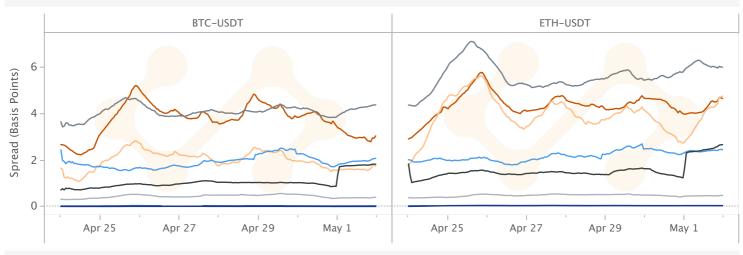
# 9. Order Book Liquidity - Tether Pairs





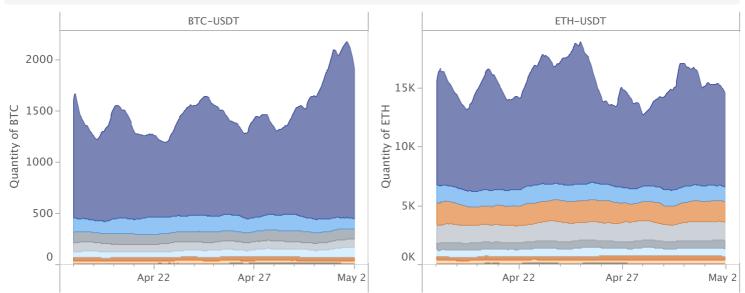
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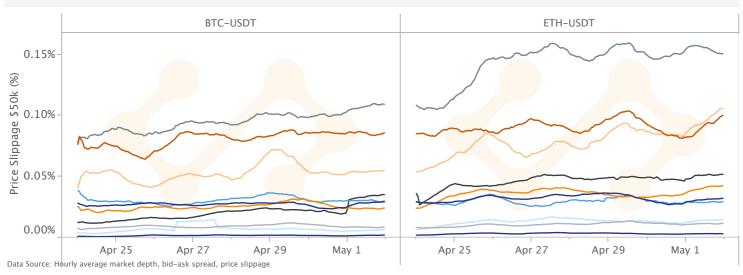
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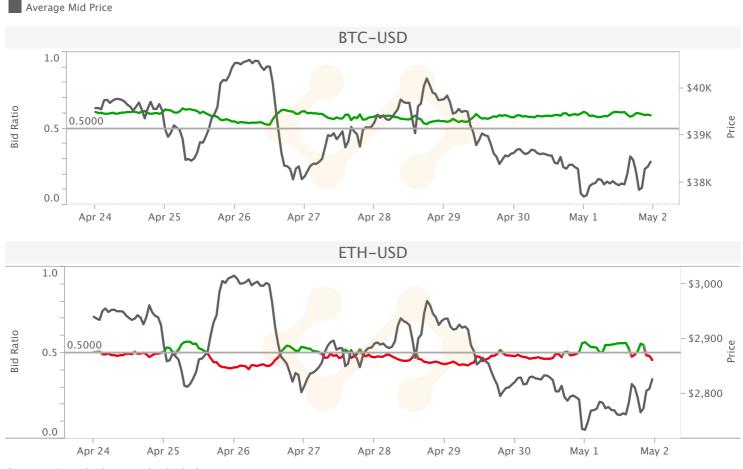
#### **Bid Depth and Ask Depth**

The quantity of all bids and asks within 2% of the midprice on USD order books aggregated across Coinbase, Bitstamp, Kraken, Bitfinex, Itbit, Bittrex, Binance US, and Gemini.



#### Ratio of Bid Depth to Total Market Depth

The quantity of aggregated bids divided by the total market depth. When the ratio is above .5, bid depth is greater than ask depth.



Data source: Average hourly aggregated market depth

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# **Detailed Methodology**

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#### 1. Price Dynamics

Data sources: Kaiko hourly reference rates

#### Returns

Computed as the percentage difference in price since the previous Sunday's close.

#### Bitcoin/Ethereum Price

The USD price aggregated across the following exchanges: Bitfinex, Kraken, Bitstamp, Coinbase, BitFlyer, Gemini, itBit, Bittrex. The price is derived from our direct exchange rate calculation, which is the volume-weighted average price (VWAP) of all exchange-pair VWAPs at hourly time intervals.

#### Hourly Returns

The hourly percentage difference in price.

#### **Bitcoin - Fiat Premium**

The premium for purchasing Bitcoin with fiat (KRW, EUR, GBP, JPY) versus USD derived from the following example formula:

 $Premium_{KRW} = rac{BTC/KRW * KRW/USD}{BTC/USD} - 1$ 

#### 2. Volatility and Correlations

Data sources: Kaiko hourly reference rates, FRED St. Louis, Quandl

#### **30D Historical Volatility**

The volatility of each asset is calculated by taking the annualized 30 day rolling standard deviation of daily log returns. Data for Nasdaq and S&P 500 comes from FRED St. Louis and Gold from Quandl. 30D Rolling Correlation with Bitcoin Daily Returns

Calculated using the daily log returns over the past 30 days, for selected crypto-pairs and traditional indexes including Nasdaq, S&P 500 and gold. Data for Nasdaq and S&P 500 comes from FRED St. Louis and Gold from Quandl. The correlation coefficient takes a value of 1 when two assets are perfectly correlated, 0 when there is no linear interdependence, and -1 when perfectly anticorrelated.

#### 3. DeFi Data

Data sources: Kaiko daily USD cross exchange rates

#### DeFi Token Weekly Returns

The percentage price difference since the previous Sunday's daily USD volume-weighted average price. Aggregated USD price data is calculated using Kaiko's USD exchange rate methodology which finds the path of highest liquidity between each DeFi asset and the closest USD trading pair. Not every DeFi asset trades against USD, which requires us to use cross rates to determine a USD price.

#### DeFi Token YTD Returns

The percentage price difference since January 1st, 2021.

#### 4. Stablecoins

Data sources: Kaiko hourly direct USD exchange rate and aggregated volume

#### Dollar-Pegged Stablecoin USD Exchange Rate

The hourly USD exchange rate for all stablecoin-USD pairs in Kaiko's data collection (view every instrument used in this calculation here). This is calculated by taking the hourly VWAP for each stablecoin-USD pair (ex. USDT-USD on Bitfinex), and then taking the VWAP for USDT-USD pairs across all exchanges.

#### Tether vs. Bitcoin Price

The hourly Tether and Bitcoin price averaged across all exchanges that offer a USDT-USD and BTC-USD trading pair.

#### **USDT-USD Trading Volume**

Aggregated daily volume across all exchanges that offer a USDT-USD trading pair (full list of instruments used in this calculation <u>here</u>).

#### 5. Aggregated Volume

Data sources: Daily aggregated volume per trading pair and per instrument

#### Aggregated Trade Volume

Daily aggregated volume across a selection of exchanges for the listed trading pair. Full list of instruments included in the calculation can be viewed <u>here</u>.

# Percentage Share of Volume: BTC-USD vs. BTC-USDT

Daily aggregated volume for BTC-USD and BTC-USDT trading pairs (full list of instruments included in this calculation <u>here</u>). Assuming that most institutional traders prefer transacting with USD, when there is a spike in BTC-USD volume this suggests USD inflows or a sell-off.

# Percentage Share of Volume: BTC-USD vs. ETH-USD

Daily aggregated volume for BTC-USD and ETH-USD trading pairs (full list of instruments used in this calculation <u>here</u>). Assuming Ethereum is a proxy for altcoin markets, when volume for ETH-USD spikes this suggests that traders are rotating funds out of Bitcoin and into Ethereum and altcoin markets.

#### Weekly Percentage Difference in Trade Volume

Percentage difference between most recent week of volume and previous week of volume for each listed instrument.

#### 6/7. Exchange Volume - Fiat/Tether Pairs

Data sources: Daily aggregated trade volume and count per instrument

#### Trade Volume

Daily aggregated volume per trading pair per exchange.

#### Percentage Share of Volume

Percentage volume of trades for each trading pair per exchange.

Average Trade Size

The total volume of trades (volume of base asset \* price) / trade count. For Tether pairs, the average trade size is denominated in USDT. A higher average trade size suggests that more institutional traders are using the exchange.

#### 8/9. Order Book Liquidity - Fiat/Tether Pairs

Data sources: Average hourly bid-ask spread, market depth, price slippage

#### Bid-Ask Spread

The wider the bid-ask spread, the less liquid the traded instrument. We calculate spread from Kaiko's raw order book snapshots which are taken twice per minute. We take the difference between the best ask and the best bid for each snapshot, and then take the average for all values for spread over the course of 1 hour. To normalize the spread, we divide by the mid price and then multiple by 10,000 to get the spread in *basis points.* One basis point is equal to 1/100th of 1%, or 0.01%, or 0.0001, and is used to denote the percentage change in a financial instrument. A 24-hour moving average is applied.

#### 2% Market Depth

Market depth is an indicator of liquidity: the higher the market depth, the deeper the order books, and the less likely a large market order will move the price of an asset. Market depth is derived from Kaiko's raw order book snapshots which are taken twice per minute. Each of our order book snapshots includes all bids and asks within 10% of the midprice. For this chart, we cut each snapshot down to all bids and asks within 2% of the midprice, which better reflects changes in market dynamics. We then take the average of 2% market depth over the course of 1 hour. Finally, we take the sum of both 2% Bid Depth and 2% Ask Depth for each instrument. A 24-hour moving average is applied.

#### Price Slippage

We calculate slippage using raw order book snapshots taken twice per minute. Slippage is calculated by running a \$50k sell order through the bid side of an order book. The steps below run through an example calculation for placing a \$50k sell market order which would give a value for Bid Slippage. The same steps can be followed for buy orders and orders of different values:

Step 1: Run through sorted Bids by price level until \$50k sell order is filled, starting from the Best Bid.

Step 2: Compute the Average Sell Price using all Bids needed to fill the \$50k order. For example, in an imaginary order book where there are Bids at \$10,000 for 3 Bitcoin and Bids at \$10,100 for 4 Bitcoin, the Average Sell Price would be (\$30,000 + \$40,400)/7 =  $\sim$  \$10,057.

Step 3: Calculate the percentage of variation between the Best Bid and Average Sell Price using the formula: |Average Sell Price — Best Bid| / Best Bid.

A 24-hour moving average is applied.

#### 10. Aggregated Order Books

Data sources: Average hourly aggregated market depth

#### Bid Depth and Ask Depth

Instead of adding Bid Depth and Ask Depth, we separate depth per side of the order book, and aggregate across multiple exchanges that offer a BTC-USD and ETH-USD trading pair. This is calculated by taking the quantity of all bids and asks within 2% of the midprice on USD order books aggregated across Coinbase, Bitstamp, Kraken, Bitfinex, Binance US, Itbit, Bittrex, and Gemini. The data is an hourly average with a 24 hour moving average applied. The average mid price is also charted with a 24 hour moving average.

#### Ratio of Bid Depth to Ask Depth

The quantity of aggregated bids divided by the sum of total market depth (sum of both bids and asks). When the ratio is above .5, this means that the quantity of bids is higher than the quantity of asks.

#### DATA SOURCES

All crypto data is provided by Kaiko.

Data for Nasdaq and S&P 500 is sourced from FRED St Louis API.

Data for gold is sourced from Quandl.

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Founded in 2014, Kaiko is a market data provider in the digital finance industry providing institutional investors and market participants with enterprise-grade data infrastructure. Kaiko's comprehensive and granular market datasets are sourced from 100+ crypto exchanges, comprising 95,000+ spot and derivatives instruments. All historical and live data is consolidated and accessible through a REST API and livestream WebSocket or in downloadable CSV files.

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