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## Resources

### 1. **Cryptocurrency**

Cryptocurrency is a digital currency that uses cryptography to secure the processes involved in generating units and conducting transactions. As of 2017, there are close to 1000 different cryptocurrencies creating a market cap size of over \$150 billion dollars. Bitcoin, the most popular cryptocurrency accounts for almost half of the total market capsize, or \$72 Billion dollars.

### 2. **Blockchain**

The Blockchain is a digital ledger, where transactions are made with various types of cryptocurrency, such as Bitcoin. Every transaction is securely recorded into the blockchain chronologically and is available publicly. The blockchain allows for a completely decentralized and secure network. The blockchain is constantly increasing in data information as each new transaction is made and recorded, which increasingly becomes more secure.

### 3. **Volume**

Volume is the total amount transacted within a specific period of time. Typically, an exchange will show each cryptocurrency's volume, or total amount traded in the last 24 hour period.

### 4. **Change**

Change, in regards to cryptocurrency markets refers to the fluctuation of price, or value within a certain period of time, typically 24 hours.

### 5. **Spread**

Spread, in regards to cryptocurrency markets refers to the difference in price, or value of one cryptocurrency listed, compared to the same cryptocurrency listed on another marketplace.

### 6. **Volatility**

Volatility is the fluctuation of price, or value. A high volatility can mean the price changes drastically and often, whereas a low volatility can mean the price changes at a steady pace.

### 7. **Address**

Address, in regards to cryptocurrency refers to a location from which you would receive, send or hold your currency. Addresses manifest in a long string of alphanumeric characters and will look something like:

1F3x5qfG4sgx9CLL17i30FeD2gzhHsoUH2

## 8. **Private Key and Public Key**

A private key is an address of alphanumeric characters that allows you to own cryptocurrency. If your private keys are lost, or taken, you may lose your cryptocurrency. A public key is also an address of alphanumeric characters, however it is openly shared with the public and used for making transactions.

## 9. **Altcoin**

Altcoin refers to any cryptocurrency that isn't Bitcoin.

## 10. **Miner**

Miners play a large part in the blockchain as they are responsible for recording the cryptocurrency transactions into the public ledger (The Blockchain). The process of mining involves compiling recent transactions and trying to solve a computationally challenging puzzle. The first Miner who solves the puzzle adds their work to the blockchain and other Minors verify it. The rewards are receiving transaction fees from cryptocurrency trading transactions as well as newly released Bitcoin.

## 11. **Wallet**

A cryptocurrency wallet is a place you can store your cryptocurrency. There are a number of wallet places where you can store your cryptocurrencies, such as in brokerage accounts, trading exchanges, hardware wallets and paper wallets.

# LINKS

## BUYING AND TRADING PLATFORMS:

1. <https://www.coinbase.com>
2. <https://www.coinsquare.io>
3. <https://www.quadrigacx.com>
4. <https://www.binance.com>
5. <https://www.bittrex.com>
6. <https://gemini.com>
7. <https://cex.io>

## INFORMATION RESOURCES:

1. <https://coinmarketcap.com>
2. <https://www.reddit.com/r/CryptoCurrency>
3. <https://www.quora.com/topic/Cryptocurrencies>

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