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## Cboe to stop listing bitcoin futures as interest in crypto trading cools

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## **Key Points**

- The first U.S. exchange to introduce bitcoin futures will stop listing that product.
- Cboe Global Markets says it "does not currently intend" to list any additional bitcoin futures for trading but not fully close the door on crypto.
- It's still "assessing" its approach for how it plans to continue.
- Retail interest in cryptocurrency trading has largely dried up since the 2017 mania.



A trader works in S&P 500 stock index options pit at the Chicago Board Options Exchange (CBOE) in Chicago, Illinois.

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The major U.S. exchange company that paved the way for bitcoin futures has had a change of heart.

Cboe Global Markets, which rolled out the first bitcoin futures contracts in December 2017, has decided to stop adding new ones. In a statement last week, the Cboe Futures Exchange said it will not add new bitcoin futures in March. It did not rule out the possibility of other cryptocurrency derivatives, though, and "is assessing" its approach for how it plans to continue.

In the meantime, active bitcoin contracts are still available to trade, but the last of them expires in June.