

# FINANCIAL PRIVACY FOR ALL

Monero is the secure, private and untraceable currency freely accessible to all. Free from centralized institutions and capital controls, with Monero you have the power and liberty to control your finances without worrying about intermediaries that might censor you or profit off your transaction data.

Currencies that use a transparent blockchain can bring many inconveniences. Local commerce might have sensible financial data exposed, damaging their negotiation position. Private citizens can easily have all their funds exposed, which poses a real threat to physical safety and financial freedom. Merchants are at risk of accepting known "tainted" funds, which introduces significant liability.

Monero solves these problems and protects you with an anonymity set that exceeds any other currency today.

**We encourage you to take a few minutes to learn about Monero in this pamphlet. »**

## GET STARTED



[getmonero.org](https://getmonero.org)

## JOIN THE COMMUNITY



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[monero.stackexchange.com](https://monero.stackexchange.com)



[freenode: #Monero](https://freenode.org/#Monero)



[mattermost.getmonero.org](https://mattermost.getmonero.org)



[github.com/monero-project](https://github.com/monero-project)



[taiga.getmonero.org](https://taiga.getmonero.org)

## SOCIAL MEDIA



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# BASIC INFORMATION

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[magicgrants.org](https://magicgrants.org)



[getmonero.org](https://getmonero.org)

# WHY MONERO?

Monero is the leading cryptocurrency with a focus on private and censorship-resistant transactions.

It uses rigorously-tested cryptography to ensure that no one can see how much money you have or where you spend it, even if they know your wallet address. It is open-source and accessible to all.

With Monero, you are your own bank. Only you control and are responsible for your funds.



## Secure.

Monero is a decentralized cryptocurrency, meaning it is secure digital cash operated by a network of users. Transactions are confirmed by distributed consensus, and then immutably recorded on the blockchain. Third-parties do not need to be trusted to keep your Monero safe.



## Fungible.

Monero is fungible because it is private by default. In its current state, it is extremely unlikely that Monero will ever be blacklisted by exchanges or vendors due to its association in previous transactions.

### What is fungibility?

In economics, fungibility is the property of a good or a commodity whose individual units are essentially interchangeable. 1 XMR is worth the same as any other 1 XMR.



## Private.

Monero uses ring signatures, ring confidential transactions, and stealth addresses to obfuscate the sources, amounts, and destinations of all transactions. Monero provides all the benefits of a decentralized cryptocurrency, without any of the typical privacy concessions.



## Untraceable.

Sending and receiving addresses as well as transacted amounts are obfuscated by default. Transactions on the Monero blockchain cannot be linked to a particular user or real-world identity.



## Monero is a grassroots community

attracting the world's best cryptocurrency researchers and engineering talent.

Hundreds of developers have contributed to the Monero project. Forums and chat channels are welcoming and active. Monero's Research Lab, Core Development Team and Community Developers are constantly pushing the frontier of what is possible with cryptocurrency privacy and security.

Monero is not a corporation. It is developed by cryptography and distributed systems experts from all over the world, who donate their time or are funded by community donations. Monero can't be shut down by any one country and is not constrained by any particular legal jurisdiction.

All skills are needed. Monero needs coders, researchers, event organizers, educators, merchants, and enthusiasts. Join a workgroup that piques your interest today!



Kovri is an anonymizing router that protects IP addresses when broadcasting transactions. Kovri is an independent project of Monero, and it will work with several other projects too. It is built on I2P's open specifications. It will allow users to have all the advantages of using a VPN or Tor with fewer disadvantages.

Kovri allows for substantially greater privacy and security. Users of Monero no longer need to worry about the way they connect to the network. Nodes can be run completely through Kovri, which means participants can conceal that they are using Monero in the first place.

Kovri is currently in alpha, and it is not yet fully integrated in Monero. Learn more at [getkovri.org](https://getkovri.org)

## How to acquire Monero?

- Get involved - find a project at [getmonero.org](https://getmonero.org), [reddit.com/r/monero](https://reddit.com/r/monero) or start your own through Monero Forum Funding system (Crowdfunding).
- With USD & EUR - can be bought at Kraken.com and Bittrex.com as price ticker XMR. In person at [LocalMonero.co](https://LocalMonero.co) and [MoneroforCash.com](https://MoneroforCash.com)
- Start mining Monero with CPU or GPU.

## How to store your Monero?

Most people store their Monero in the official GUI wallet, available at the GetMonero website. You can also use paper wallets, mobile wallets (eg: [monerujo.io](https://monerujo.io) (android); [cakewallet.io](https://cakewallet.io), [xwallet.tech](https://xwallet.tech) (iOS)), hardware wallets (eg: Ledger Nano S), and web wallets (eg: [mymonero.com](https://mymonero.com)).