Daily Market Brief

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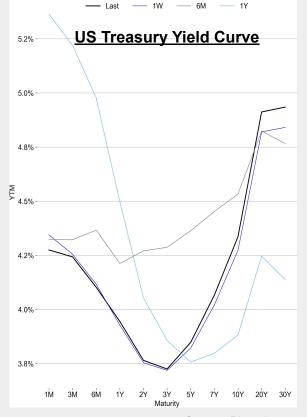
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BTC	\$116,203.82	S&P500	6,449.16	US 10Y	4.3360%	WTI	\$62.63
	-1.0%		-0.0%		+0.0180PPT		+1.4%
ETH	\$4,311.42	Nasdaq	21,629.77	DXY	98.13	Gold	\$3,376.20
	-3.6%		+0.0%		+0.3%		+0.1%

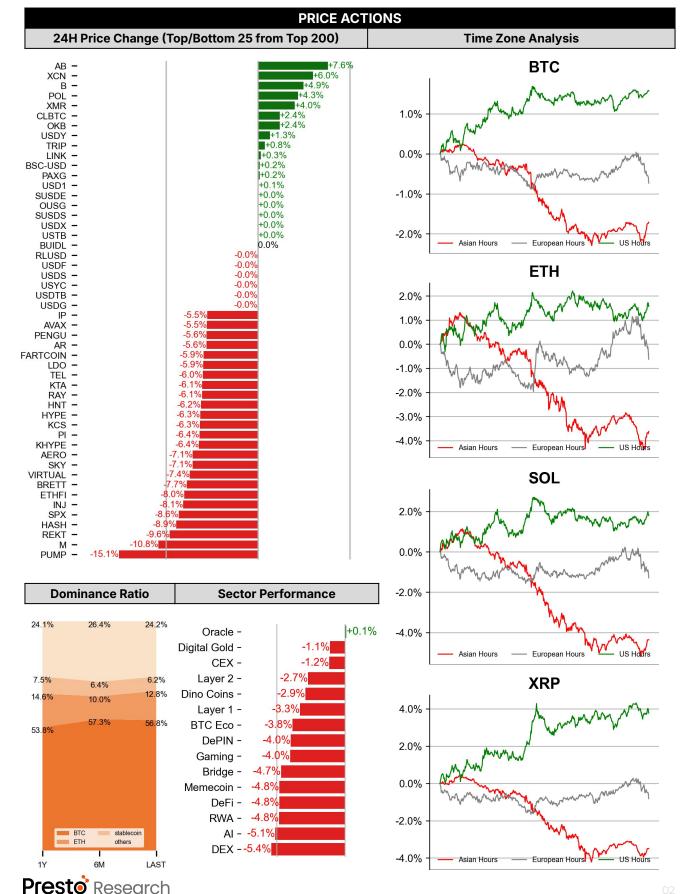
- The market continued to slide during Asia hours. As of now, \$BTC is trading at \$116,203 and \$ETH at \$4,311, with Bitcoin dominance at 59.74%.
- BTCS, an Ethereum-focused treasury firm, announced a one-time "Bividend" of \$0.05 per share—payable in ETH or cash—and a \$0.35 per share loyalty payment in ETH for shareholders who transfer their shares to its transfer agent and hold them for at least 120 days.
- A few other headlines include: MicroStrategy purchased 430 BTC between Aug 11–17 at an average price of \$119,666; Chamath Palihapitiya is seeking to raise \$250 million for an "American Exceptionalism" vehicle targeting AI, DeFi, defense, or energy; and Backpack will begin publishing a daily zero-knowledge Proof of Reserves.
- In the last 24 hours, the top three gainers were \$AB, \$XCN, and \$B, while the top three losers were \$PUMP, \$M, and \$REKT.

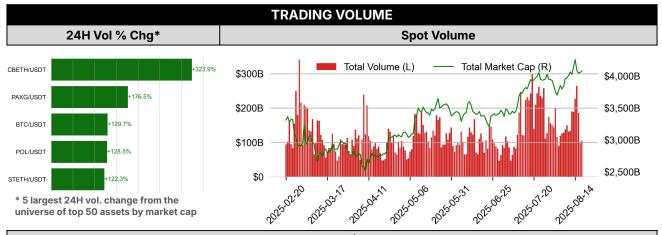
U-Shaped Yield Curve's History Signals Fed Lag

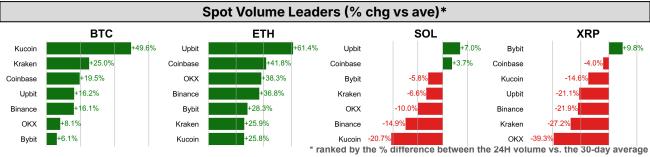
The bond market remains in an unusual state, with the yield curve exhibiting a pronounced U-shape for the past 9 months - characterized by elevated front-end and back-end yields, with a dip in middle. This configuration is rare, having occurred only 4 times in the last 30 years: during the '98 LTCM collapse, the '01 dot-com bubble burst, the '07 subprime crisis, and the '19 repo market turmoil. Each instance marked a period of economic transition, with the U-shape resolving into a normal, upward-sloping curve when the Fed was forced into reactive rate cuts in response to looming recession risks. A consistent pattern emerges across these episodes: the bond market, reflecting the wisdom of the crowd, sends real-time signals of economic distress, while the Fed procrastinates and lags in its response. In the current cycle, Chair Powell has been more stubborn than his predecessors, as the U-shape has persisted for longer than the typical 3–6 months in prior cases. This prolonged distortion lends credence to the recent Bessent's comments that the neutral Fed Funds Rate may be 150 basis points lower than current levels. All the more reason why the Powell's Jackson Hole speech is critical.



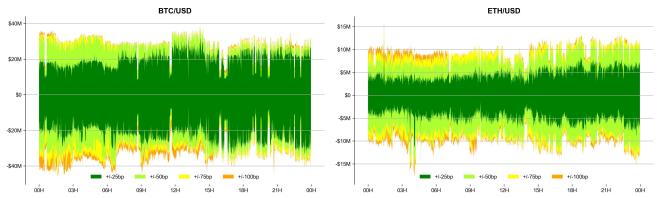
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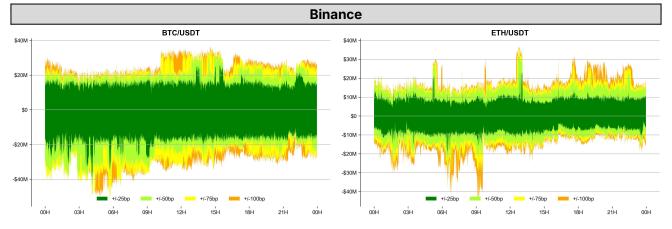






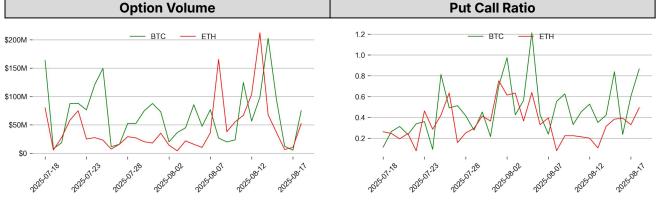
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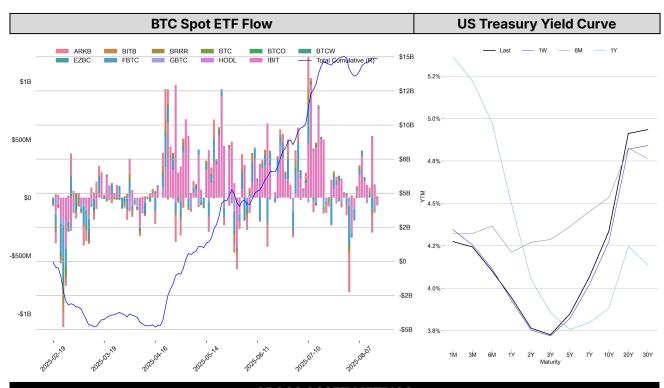
DERIVATIVES Open Interest / Market Cap BTC ETH 560bp 380bp 540bp 370bp 520bp 360bp 500bp 480bp 460bp 340bp 440bp 330bp 420bp 320bp 2025-08-16 **Futures O.I. & Liquidations BTC ETH** - \$130B ^{\$120M} \$100M - \$20B Short Liquidation Open Interest (R) Long Liquidation Short Liquidation nterest (R) - \$125B \$100M \$19B \$80M - \$120B _{\$80M} \$18B \$60M - \$115B \$17B \$40M \$110B - \$16B \$105B - \$15B \$20M \$100B - \$14B **Perps Funding Rate & Rolling Basis BTC** ETH 0.01% 0.01% Funding Rate Basis (R) Funding Rate 0.04% 0.00% 0.01% 0.01% 0.02% 0.01% -0.01% 0.01% 0.00% 0.00% -0.02% 0.01% -0.03% -0.02% 0.00% 0.00% -0.04% -0.04% 0.00% -0.06% -0.00% 0.00% -0.05% 2025,0818 **Put Call Ratio Option Volume** 1.2 BTC ETH \$200M 1.0

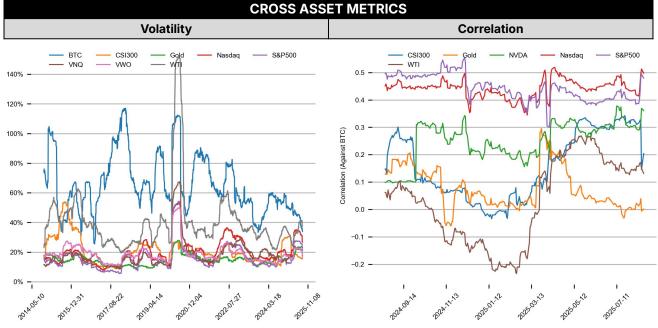




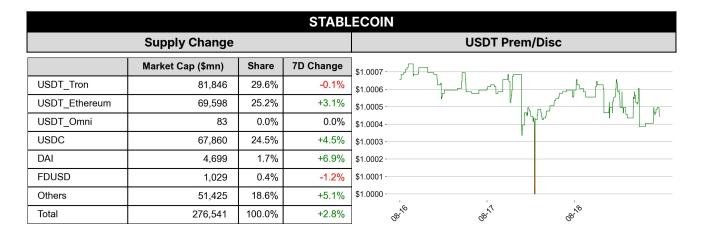
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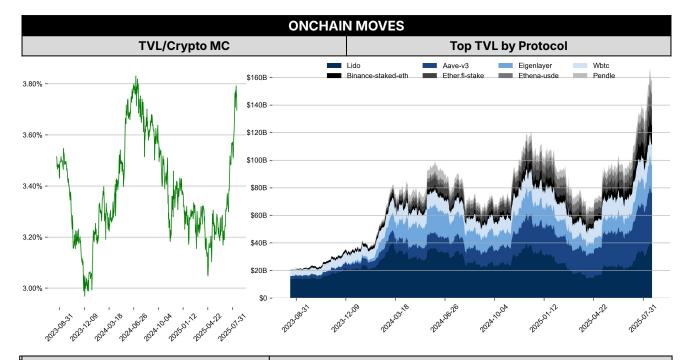
	Stocks				FX			Commodity		Crypto Equity					
	S&P500	Nasdaq	EuroStoxx50	HSI	CSI300	USD/EUR	USD/JPY	USD/CNY	DXY	WTI	Gold	COIN	MSTR	MARA	RIOT
Last	6449.16	21629.77	5435.25	25176.85	4239.41	0.8570	147.92	7.1849	98.13	62.63	3376.20	320.73	363.60	16.10	12.32
1D	-0.0%	0.0%	-0.2%	-0.4%	0.9%	0.3%	0.5%	0.0%	0.3%	1.4%	0.1%	1.0%	-0.7%	2.7%	8.7%
1M	2.4%	3.5%	1.4%	1.4%	4.5%	-0.4%	-0.6%	0.1%	-0.4%	-7.0%	0.5%	-23.6%	-14.1%	-17.5%	-11.1%
1Y	16.1%	22.7%	12.3%	44.4%	26.7%	-5.5%	0.2%	0.3%	-4.2%	-18.3%	33.0%	56.2%	173.3%	-0.9%	54.2%













^{* 5} largest 7 day TVL change in % terms from the universe of minimum \$100m TVL protocols, according to DefiLlama.

S80M - Avalanche Bitcoin Ethereum Solana \$70M - \$60M - \$50M - \$40M - \$30M - \$20M - \$2



EVENTS CALENDAR					
Date	Title	Coins / Hosts			
Aug 1, 2025	US Nonfarm Payrolls				
Aug 1, 2025	\$162M Unlock	\$SUI			
Aug 5, 2025	Binance Alpha	\$TOWNS			
Aug 6, 2025	S2 Airdrop	\$ME			
Aug 7, 2025	US Reciprocal Tariffs Effective Date				
Aug 8, 2025	Launchpad	\$ORCA			
Aug 12, 2025	US CPI				
Aug 12, 2025	\$17M Unlock	\$LAYER			
Aug 14, 2025	US PPI				
Aug 15, 2025	Earnings Call	\$SBET			
Aug 15, 2025	\$38.9M Unlock	\$AVAX			
Aug 20, 2025	\$28.4M Unlock	\$KAITO			
Aug 21, 2025	Fee Switch	\$RESOLV			
Aug 21, 2025	Jackson Hole				
Aug 26, 2025	\$13M Unlock	\$HUMA			
Aug 27, 2025	Earnings Call \$NVDA				
Aug 29, 2025					



DATA EXPLAINER						
Headers	Source	Note				
PRICE ACTIONS TRADING VOLUME ORDER BOOK DEPTH DERIVATIVES	Presto Labs	Time Zone Analysis separates out the asset's price action according to the business hours in Asia, Europe and US region. This is to identify which geography is responsible for price actions of the last 24hrs. The cut-offs are, - Asia: UTC 22:00 -1 to UTC 6:00 - Europe: UTC 6:00 to 14:00 - US: UTC 14:00 to 22:00 Sector constituents are, AI(FET, AGIX, OCEAN), BTC Eco(BCH, BSV, ICP, STX, ORDI), CEX(BNB, CRO, OKB, KCS, BGB), Data(LINK, GRT), DePIN(ICP, FIL, AR, HNT, SIA), DEX(UNI, INJ, RUNE, SNX, DYDX, OSMO, CRV, CAKE, GMX), Digital Gold(BTC), Gaming/Metaverse(IMX, BEAM, SAND, GALA, AXS, WEMIX, RON), LO(AVAX, DOT, TIA), L2(MATIC, OP, MNT, ARB, STRK), Lending(MKR, AAVE, COMP), Liquid Staking(LDO, RPL, JTO), Meme(DOGE, SHIB, FLOKI), NFT(APE, BLUR), Payments(XRP, LTC, XLM, XMR, ZEC), RWA(ONDO, CFG), Smart Contract(ETH, BNB, SOL, ADA, TRX, TON, APT, NEAR, HBAR, VET, ALGO, FTM, SUI, FLOW, MINA). The sector return is market-cap weighted average of the constituents' returns. Exchanges: 24H spot price & volume % changes and dominance ratios are from CoinGecko. Time Zone Analysis is based on data from Binance. Spot volume leaders are based on data from Binance Bybit, Coinbase, Kraken, OKX, KuCoin, HTX, Upbit, Gate.io. Futures data are from Binance OKX, Bybit, KuCoin. Options data are from Deribit.				
TRADFI	Investing.com Farside Investors	BTC Spot ETF Flows are based on data shown on farside.co.uk at UTC 03:00. Due to varying data reporting schedules among ETF sponsors, the figures may not encompass data from all 10 ETFs.				
STABLECOIN ONCHAIN MOVES	DefiLlama	Stablecoin Supply is a proxy for fiat on/off ramp from TradFi into crypto. USDT Prem/Disc reflects the USDT supply/demand imbalance, approximating the market's risk aversion towards USDT specifically, and/or the crypto market more broadly. The data is from Coinbase. TVL/ Crypto MC Ratio = Total Value Locked / Crypto Market Cap. The ratio neutralizes the TVL changes caused by asset price fluctuations.				
EVENTS CALENDAR	CoinMarketCap Layer GG	Events Calendar provides a summary of major events happening throughout the month.				

^{*} The Daily Market Brief is published every business day, following the Singapore calendar, excluding public holidays



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