ABL Digital Cryptoglobal Weekly

Cross-Exchange Crypto Analytics | week ending 2026-07-11

15 majors + derivatives, options & flows | BTC dominance 56% | 732 days

REGIME: Neutral

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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Crypto Dashboard

Market state and the week's key readings across majors, options and flows.

REGIME	BTC DOM	BTC DVOL	FEAR&GREED
Neutral	56%	36	26

MAJORS (price | 7d | 30d | 90d)

BTC	64,119.99	+1.6%	+0.9%	-9.4%
ETH	1,798.56	+1.1%	+7.6%	-18.0%
SOL	77.97	-4.5%	+16.7%	-4.4%
BNB	579.09	+0.7%	-4.3%	-2.2%
XRP	1.11	-4.3%	-3.0%	-16.4%
DOGE	0.07	-4.0%	-13.3%	-18.0%
ADA	0.17	-12.7%	-1.6%	-29.1%
AVAX	6.73	-3.4%	+1.4%	-25.5%
LINK	8.01	+0.1%	+1.6%	-8.4%
TRX	0.33	+1.8%	+4.5%	+2.9%
DOT	0.88	-0.7%	-7.7%	-28.3%
NEAR	1.90	-5.0%	-8.0%	+41.0%
LTC	45.14	+0.7%	+6.2%	-15.6%
BCH	247.20	+4.7%	+20.4%	-41.3%
SUI	0.74	-2.7%	-1.8%	-17.8%

ETH/BTC 0.02805 | alt-breadth 50% of majors beating BTC (30d)

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Regime & Market State

The Markov regime model on BTC returns places us squarely in Neutral (0.514) with Risk-on a close second (0.479) and Risk-off effectively extinguished (0.008). That distribution is informative: the market is not pricing fear of a crash, but it is not committing to a risk-on advance either — it is a hung jury. This reconciles with the trailing return picture, where BTC is roughly flat over 7d (+1.6%) and 30d (+1.0%) but down 9% over 90d, and where the broader majors are still nursing deep quarterly drawdowns (ETH -18%, ADA -29%, DOT -28%, AVAX -25%, BCH -41%). The Fear & Greed index at 26 (Fear), up modestly from 22 a week ago, tells the same story from the sentiment side: participants are defensive but no longer capitulating. For an investor, Neutral-with-no-Risk-off is a regime that rewards patience over conviction — the base rate favors range-trading and mean-reversion rather than trend, and the near-total absence of Risk-off probability suggests downside tail fear is currently underpriced rather than elevated.

Bitcoin Dominance & Alt-Season

BTC dominance at 56.3% against ETH's 9.5% and an ETH/BTC ratio of 0.0280 describes a market where Bitcoin still commands the risk budget, and the alt-breadth reading of 50% (majors beating BTC over 30d) sits right on the knife-edge that separates a BTC-led tape from a broadening one. This is the crucial interpretive point: 50% breadth is not alt-season — it is noise around parity, and it should be read alongside the fact that the standout 30d performers are idiosyncratic (SOL +17%, BCH +20%) rather than a coherent risk-on rotation down the cap curve. Total market cap of $2.28T with a depressed ETH/BTC ratio confirms capital is not yet leaving Bitcoin for the long tail. For allocators, the implication is that overweighting alts here is a bet on dispersion that the breadth data does not yet support; until dominance rolls over and ETH/BTC turns up together, alt exposure is better treated as high-beta BTC exposure than as an independent theme.

Cross-Asset Correlation Structure

The correlation matrix is where this week's most actionable signal lives. BTC~Nasdaq sits at +0.45 over 365d but has softened to +0.37 over 90d and to +0.43 in the DCC-GARCH nowcast — and critically, the persistence on that BTC~Nasdaq link is only 0.25, versus 0.97 for ETH~BTC and 0.998 for SOL~BTC. Low persistence means the equity correlation is unstable and mean-reverting: crypto is currently trading with a loose, unreliable macro tether rather than as a locked-in risk asset, so investors should not assume a rally (or selloff) in the Nasdaq will cleanly transmit into crypto this week. Meanwhile BTC~Gold has risen to +0.32 (90d) from +0.15 (365d) and BTC~DXY has deepened to -0.35 from -0.17, so on the margin Bitcoin is behaving a touch more like a dollar-sensitive store-of-value than a pure equity proxy. The internal crypto correlations tell the opposite, far more stable story: ETH~BTC +0.89, SOL~BTC +0.81, XRP~BTC +0.84, all with near-unity persistence. The complex is loosely coupled to macro but tightly coupled to itself.

Derivatives & Positioning

Positioning is clean, cautious, and unleveraged — which is both reassuring and a setup. BTC perpetual funding at 0.004%/8h and ETH at 0.006%/8h are essentially neutral-to-slightly-positive, nowhere near the froth that precedes long squeezes, and futures basis is mildly negative across the board (BTC -4bp, ETH -3bp, SOL -4bp), signaling a modest backwardation that reflects hedging demand rather than leveraged carry. Open interest of $6.6bn (BTC), $4.1bn (ETH) and $0.7bn (SOL) is substantial but not stretched relative to the muted funding. The read-through is that there is little speculative long leverage to unwind on the downside — the market has already de-risked — but equally little fuel for a leverage-driven melt-up. For an investor, negative basis plus flat funding is the signature of a market being carried by spot and hedgers rather than momentum chasers, which lowers the probability of a violent liquidation cascade in either direction absent an external catalyst.

Options & Volatility

The options surface is the most interesting tension in the briefing. BTC DVOL at 35.9 is low — the market is pricing calm — yet the 25-delta skew of 16.7 is strongly call-favored, and the IV term structure slopes sharply upward (17 vol on 12Jul rising to 31 by 17Jul). That combination says dealers and buyers are cheap on near-term realized vol but paying up for upside optionality and for event risk later in the week; someone is positioning for an upside break, not a crash. Put/call open-interest ratio of 0.54 corroborates a call-tilted book. With spot at $64,402 pinned just below max-pain at $65,000, the mechanical pull into any nearby expiry is toward $65k, which caps near-term range and explains the low front-end vol. ETH's surface is more volatility-rich (DVOL 49.7) but far more symmetric (25d-skew just 1.8, max-pain $1,850 vs spot $1,801), meaning ETH traders are pricing bigger moves without a directional lean. The actionable implication: cheap front-end BTC vol plus a steep term structure makes owning gamma into mid-July an attractive, defined-risk way to be positioned for the coiled-spring scenario.

Flows, Stablecoins & the OTC Question

Let me be explicit here: true OTC volume is opaque and unmeasurable from public data — we do not have it and will not pretend to. What we can observe are the proxies. Stablecoin supply of $311bn (up 0.4% over 7d) represents dry powder sitting on the sidelines, and DeFi TVL of $74bn (up 0.2%) shows on-chain capital roughly static. The signal is one of ample but idle liquidity: the ammunition to bid this market exists in size, but it is not being deployed — stablecoin supply is growing only marginally, consistent with the Neutral regime and Fear sentiment. Any inference about OTC desk activity or institutional accumulation must be read through this lens as directional at best; a meaningful acceleration in stablecoin minting would be the earliest observable tell that sidelined capital is rotating back into risk, but as of this reading that acceleration has not begun. Treat the $311bn as latent demand, not active demand.

Key Risks & What to Watch

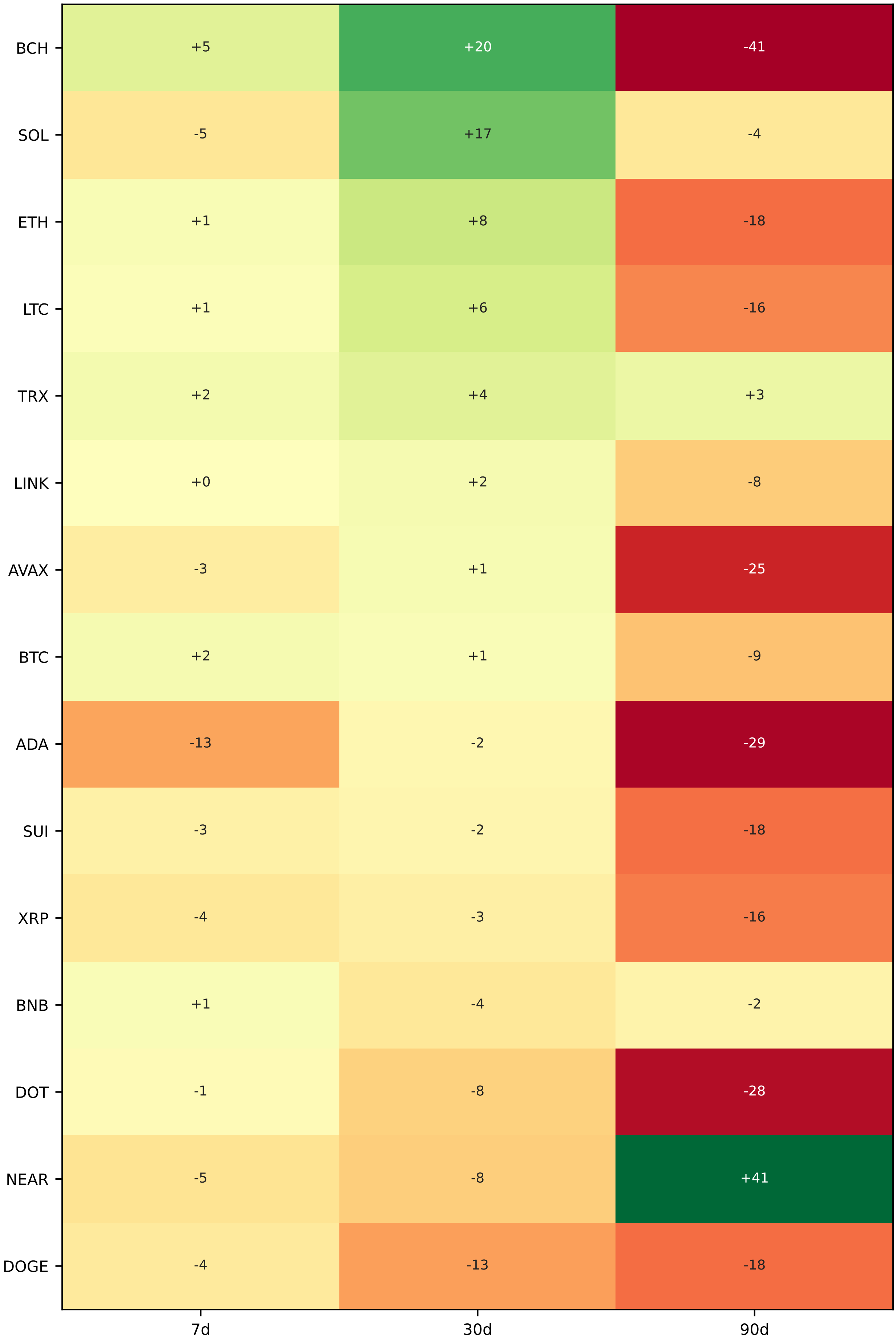
The principal risk is the mismatch between a placid volatility surface and a market that is single-factor (PC1 69%), tightly self-correlated, and only loosely and unstably tethered to macro. A catalyst that re-tightens the BTC~Nasdaq link — that persistence of 0.25 can snap back quickly — would force the entire complex to move as one, and the near-zero Risk-off regime probability means the downside tail is cheap and underpriced. On lead-lag: weekly predictive skill in this data is modest and should not be over-fitted; these correlations describe co-movement, not reliable timing edges. Watch these specific, observable signals: (1) BTC dominance breaking below ~56% together with ETH/BTC rising above 0.0280 — the confirmation of genuine rotation rather than noise; (2) the DCC-GARCH BTC~Nasdaq nowcast climbing back toward +0.45 with rising persistence — the tell that crypto is re-coupling to equities as a risk asset; (3) BTC funding pushing durably above ~0.01%/8h and basis flipping positive — the return of speculative leverage; (4) DVOL breaking above the mid-30s alongside the front-end IV term structure compressing — the coiled spring releasing; (5) stablecoin supply growth accelerating past ~1% weekly — sidelined capital re-entering. Until at least two of these fire together, the base case remains a range-

Cryptoglobal Analysis (cont.)

bound, BTC-led, de-risked Neutral tape.

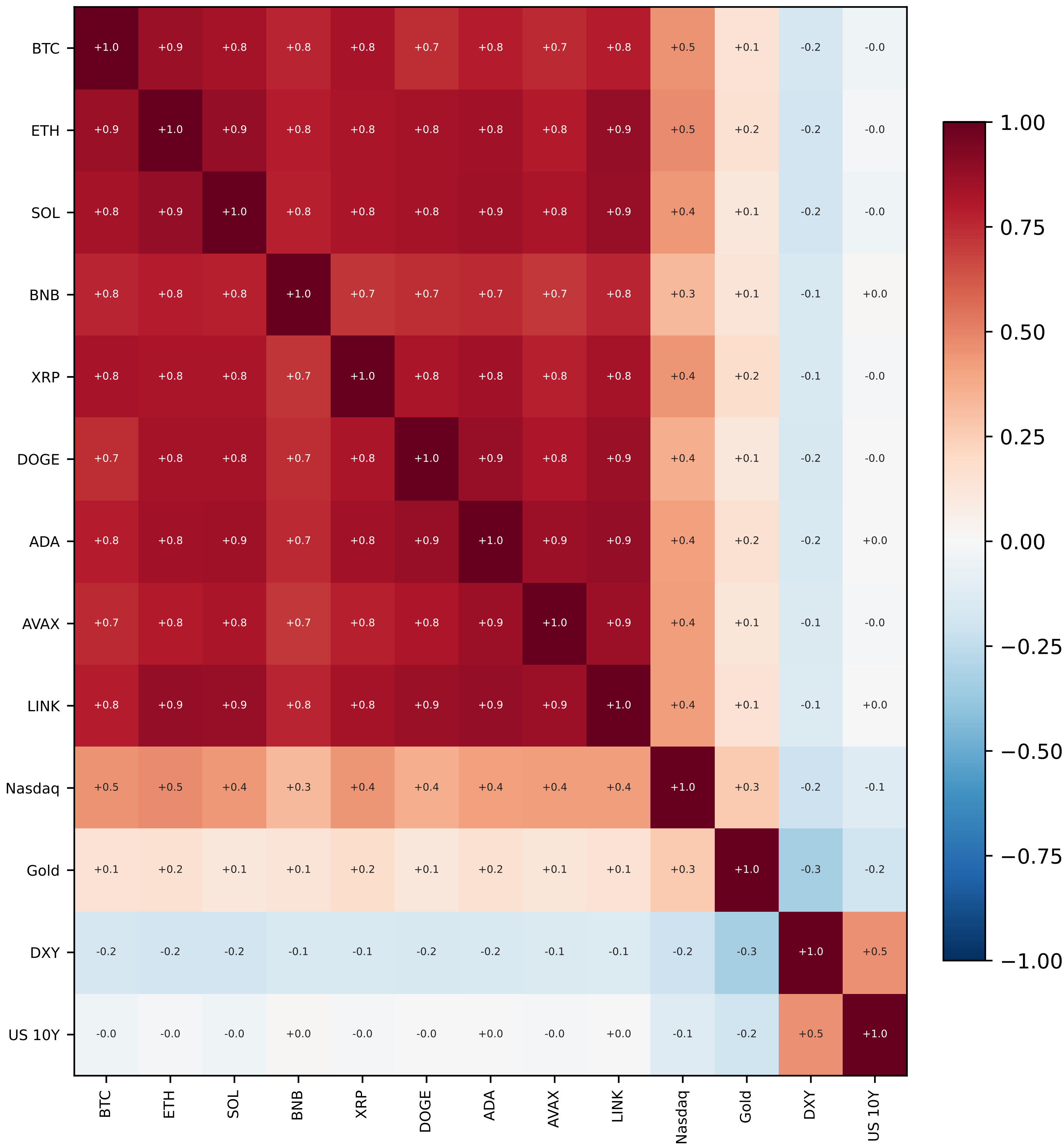
Returns Heatmap

Price return (%) by coin over 7 / 30 / 90 days.



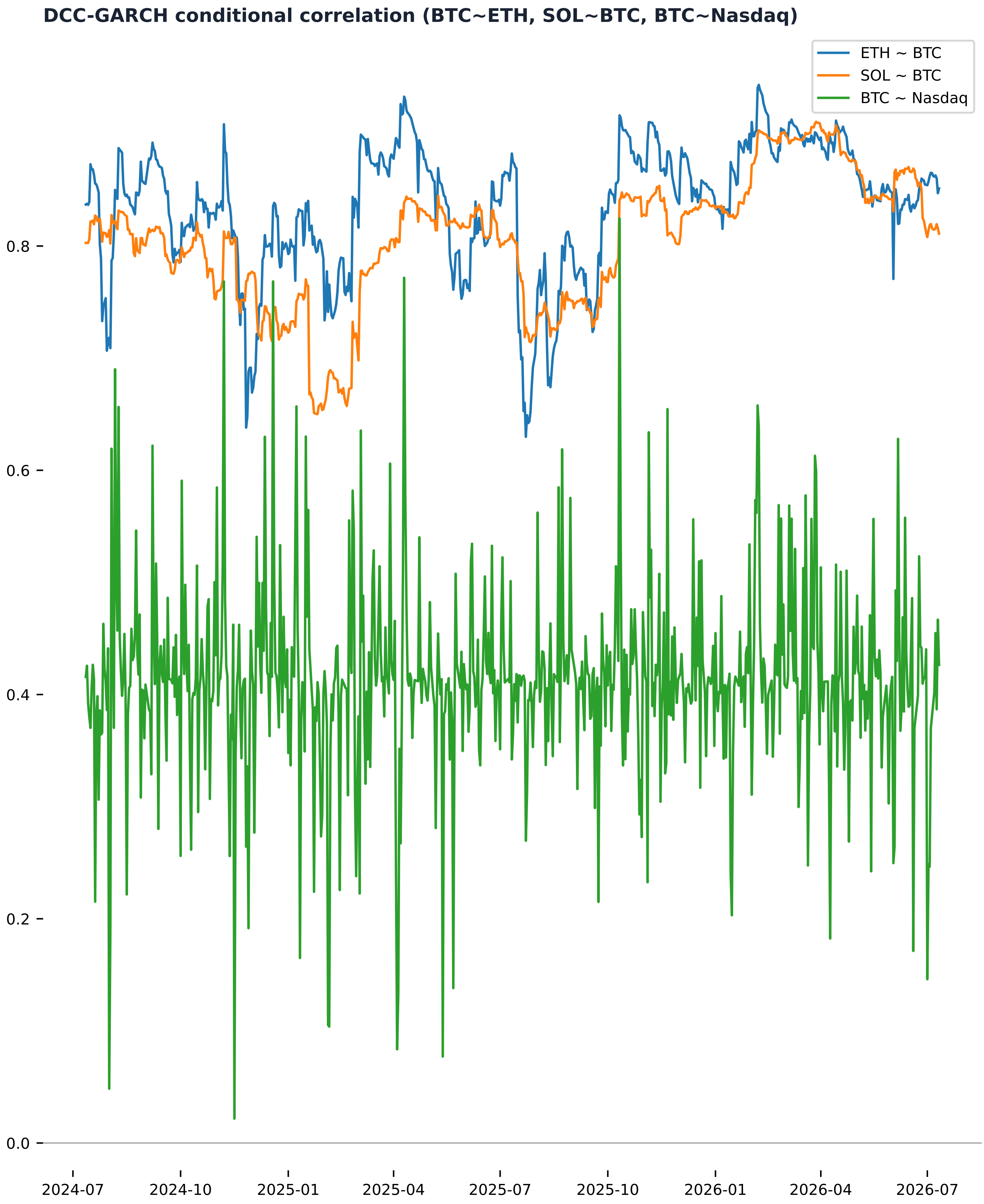
365-Day Correlation (daily returns)

Crypto majors + macro risk context.



Regime & Conditional Correlations

Markov-switching regime on BTC: Neutral. Posterior: Risk-on 0.48, Neutral 0.51, Risk-off 0.01



Now: ETH ~ BTC +0.85, SOL ~ BTC +0.81, BTC ~ Nasdaq +0.43. A rising BTC~Nasdaq correlation = crypto trading as a macro risk-asset.

Perpetual Derivatives & Positioning

Binance USD-M perps: funding (leverage/sentiment), basis, open interest. Positive funding = longs pay shorts (crowded long).

COIN	FUNDING %	BASIS (bp)	OI ($bn)
BTC	+0.004	-4	6.65
ETH	+0.006	-3	4.14
SOL	+0.002	-4	0.68

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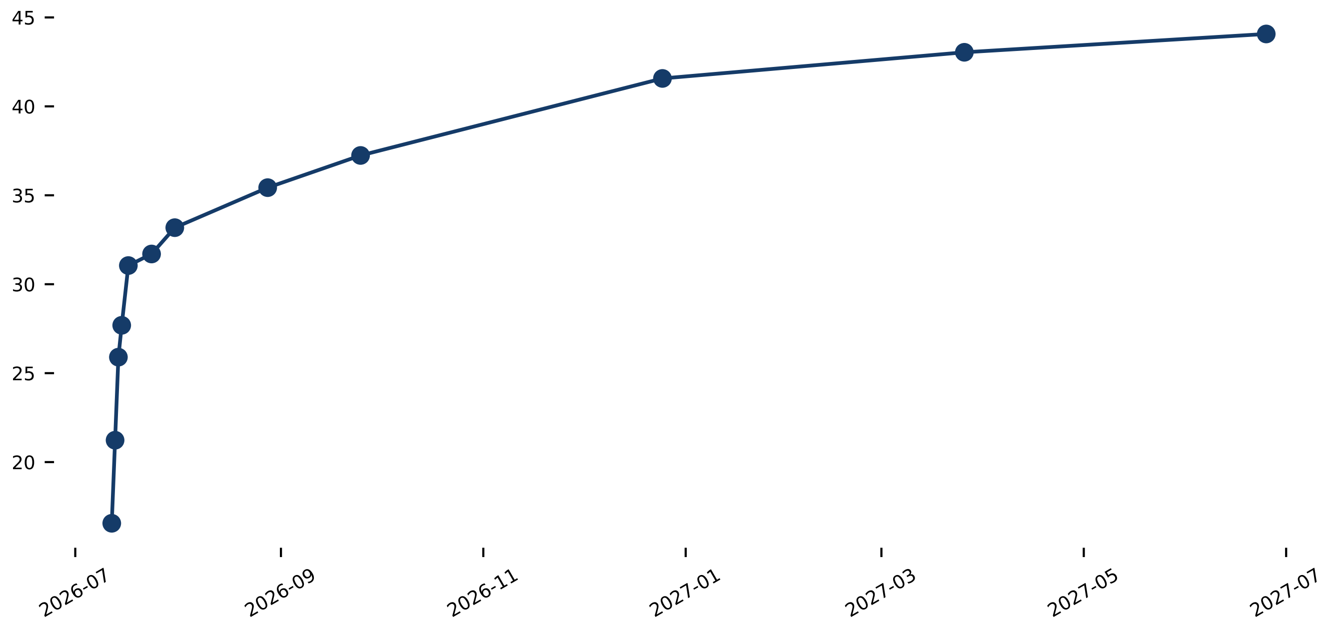
Options & Volatility (Deribit)

BTC & ETH options: DVOL, open interest, put/call, max-pain, 25d skew and the implied-vol term structure.

BTC

DVOL 35.9 | OI 356,965 BTC | put/call 0.54 | max-pain 65,000 (spot 64,402) | 25d skew +16.7

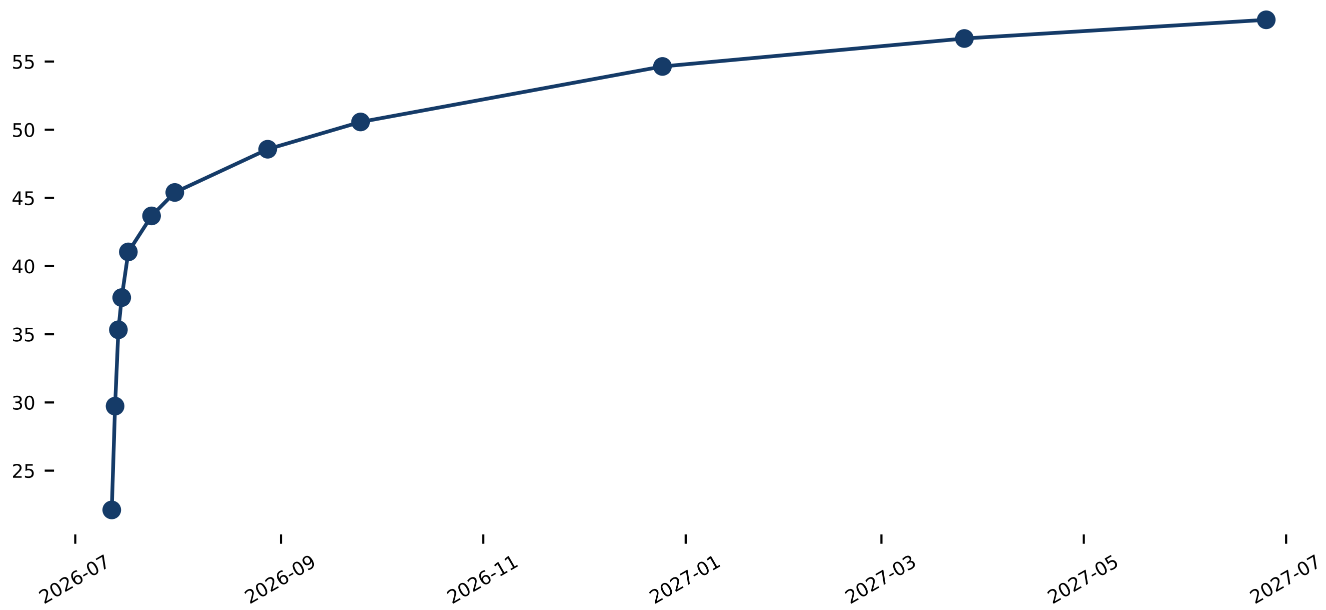
BTC implied-vol term structure (ATM %)



ETH

DVOL 49.7 | OI 1,462,381 ETH | put/call 0.54 | max-pain 1,850 (spot 1,801) | 25d skew +1.8

ETH implied-vol term structure (ATM %)



Flows, Stablecoins & the OTC Question

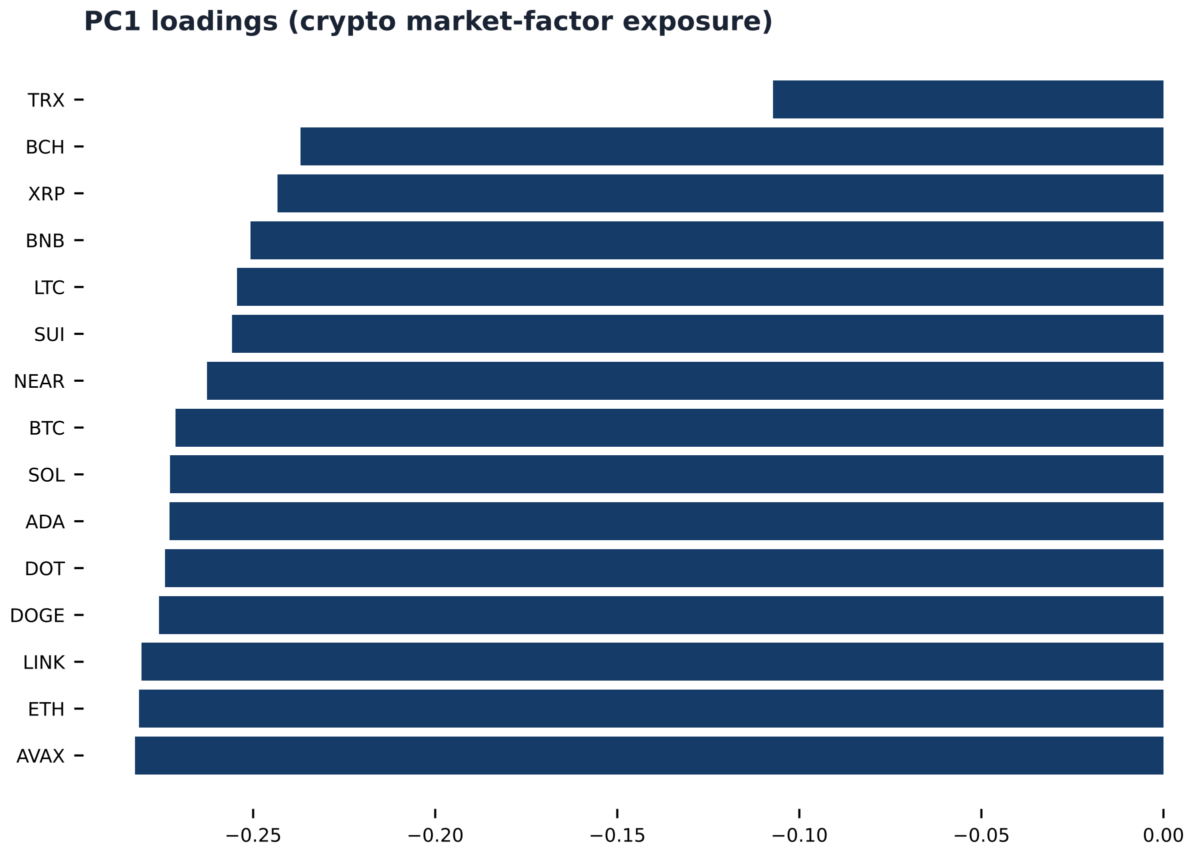
Stablecoin supply = fiat 'dry powder'; DeFi TVL = on-chain risk appetite. True OTC volume is opaque (private, off-order-book) and is PROXIED by these on-chain flows - there is no clean OTC tape.

Stablecoin supply	**$311 bn**	+0.4% 7d
DeFi TVL	**$74 bn**	+0.2% 7d
Fear & Greed	**26 (Fear)**	vs 22 a week ago
BTC dominance	**56.3%**	
Total crypto mcap	**$2.28 T**	

Deeper on-chain (exchange net-flows/reserves, whale wallets, NUPL/SOPR) needs a paid on-chain key (Glassnode/CryptoQuant) - the free build uses stablecoin & TVL flows as the accumulation/distribution proxy.

Risk Concentration & Lead-Lag

PCA on majors' daily returns: PC1 explains 69% of variance. High PC1 = the market is one big BTC-beta trade (little diversification w



DOES BTC LEAD THE ALTS? (BTC change -> alt next-day change; modest weekly skill)

Alt	Contemp. corr	BTC 1-day lead
ETH	+0.83	-0.00
SOL	+0.80	-0.01
XRP	+0.66	+0.02
DOGE	+0.78	+0.01