Ethereum ETH

Ether (ETH) is the native currency of Ethereum, a public blockchain where people build apps and move value without a bank or company in the middle. It is one of the largest crypto assets by market cap.

Trade Ether on Webull

Crypto assets are volatile. Read the risks below first.

Ethereum at a glance

Type **Currency / payment token**	Network launched **July 2015** Initial fundraising sale in 2014	Maximum supply **No fixed cap** Issuance is low and predictable, and part of each fee is burned
Coins in circulation **~122.2 million ETH** as of October 26, 2026	Market cap rank **Top 10 by market cap** ~$286 billion USD as of October 26, 2026	Network **Ethereum network (layer 1)** Secured by proof of stake

What is Ethereum?

Ethereum is a blockchain that can run programs called smart contracts, not just record payments. Developers use it to build things like decentralized finance (DeFi), NFTs and other apps. Ether (ETH) is the network's native currency: it pays the fees for using the network and is used by validators as collateral.

The idea was published by Vitalik Buterin in 2013, and the network went live in July 2015. No single party controls Ethereum. Developers, validators, node operators and users all take part, and changes happen through consensus. Several independent teams build the software that runs it.

How it works

Programmable

Smart contracts are programs that run on the Ethereum network. Anyone can build on it, which has led to many other tokens and apps that run on Ethereum.

Validators keep it secure

Since 2022, Ethereum uses proof of stake. Validators lock up ETH (32 ETH each) as a guarantee and earn rewards for verifying transactions. They can lose part of that ETH if they break the rules.

A managed supply

Ethereum has no hard cap on supply. New ETH is issued to validators at a low rate, and a portion of every transaction fee is burned, which removes it from circulation.

Key risks to understand

Price swings	Ether's price has been volatile. It can move sharply on speculation, news, regulation and investor sentiment, and in some circumstances it may be hard to value your holdings.
Demand	If people stop buying, using or holding crypto assets, or use of the Ethereum network slows, the price of ETH could fall.
Network attacks	If one party gained control of a majority of the network's validating power, they could double-spend coins and damage trust in Ethereum.
Influence and change	Ethereum's co-founder has long shaped its direction. As more developers, validators and organizations take part in decisions, changes to the network can take longer and need more agreement.
Upgrades and competition	Ethereum's planned upgrades are large and add technical complexity. Delays, or other networks that offer faster speeds and lower fees, could affect demand for ETH.
Forks	The Ethereum software can split into two versions. Webull may choose not to support a fork, in which case you wouldn't receive any new assets it creates.

Fees and supply	Rewards to validators are paid from user fees and newly issued ETH. Changes in fees or issuance could affect the cost of using the network and the value of ETH.
Regulation	Rules for crypto assets are still evolving in Canada and elsewhere. No Canadian securities regulator has given an opinion on how ETH is characterized, and changes in law or government policy could affect demand.
Cyber security	Blockchain networks, and platforms like Webull and its service providers, can be targeted by cyber-attacks. Smart contracts built on Ethereum have also been hacked. Advances in technology such as quantum computing could create new vulnerabilities.

This is not a complete list. Crypto transfers are generally irreversible, and crypto assets come with limited investor protections and deposit insurance in Canada compared with many other products. Make sure you understand the risks before you trade.

How your Ether is held

Webull uses third-party custodians that support ETH, including Coinbase Custody Trust Company, LLC and Coinbase Canada Inc. Coinbase has provided a SOC 2 Type 2 report on its security controls for broker, custody/vault and wallet services.

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