

CRYPTOCURRENCIES

Name	Price (USDT)	↑/↓(24h)
Bitcoin (BTC)	\$ 8,885.64	1.83% ↑
Ethereum (ETH)	\$ 204.51	0.99% ↑
Ripple (XRP)	\$ 0.22	0.85% ↑
Bitcoin Cash (BCH)	\$ 242.39	-0.20% ↓
Litecoin (LTC)	\$ 46.53	0.02% ↑
EOS.IO (EOS)	\$ 2.74	0.43% ↑
Bitcoin SV (BSV)	\$ 205.71	2.05% ↑
TRON (TRON)	\$ 0.02	3.48% ↑
NEO (NEO)	\$ 8.98	0.66% ↑
Cardano (ADA)	\$ 0.05	3.72% ↑
CryptoCompare Large Cap Index		-0.24% ↓
CryptoCompare Small Cap Index		1.07% ↑

Market	\$247,053,968,517
Bitcoin Volatility	-3.00% ↓
Bitcoin Volume on BEQUANT Exchange (USDT)	360,834,180

Sources: Bequant.io, CryptoCompare.com
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The market failed to hold onto best levels of the session and at the time of writing, Bitcoin (BTC) was trading just shy of \$9,000 level. The morning session was firmly dominated by the bullish camp, after BTC moved through the key level to the upside, as stops were tripped, sending BTC to \$9,120. However, the lack of conviction, as evidenced by the absence of momentum, consequently saw BTC retrace lower.

As a guide, Tuesday also saw the world's largest blockchain network by market capitalization adjust its mining difficulty to 16.10 trillion (T) at 4:05 UTC, close to the network's all-time high of 16.55 T recorded in March. The latest upward surge follows the second-largest decline in the network's history in late-March. Of note, this was the final difficulty adjustment with the 12.5 BTC block subsidy.

What is more interesting is that it is estimate that close to 30% of miners may be squeezed out post block reward halving considering that the first 1008 blocks will have the pre-halving difficulty, but half the reward.

Nevertheless, despite the sell off, the bullish price bias remained intact, while the futures curve also held its contango structure.