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# Bitcoin Halving Countdown 2024: Something You Need to Know About It

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For those who are newcomers to the cryptocurrency market, bitcoin halving may be a very unfamiliar term, which only appears once every four years.

In the 12-year history of Bitcoin, we have witnessed three BTC halving, the most recent being on May 12, 2020. The fourth Bitcoin halving is expected to occur in 2024, which is expected to exert a huge impact on the price of Bitcoin.

Next, this article will introduce what "Bitcoin Halving" is, when the next Bitcoin halving will happen, and what impact the Bitcoin halving might have on the cryptocurrency market.

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## What is the Bitcoin Halving?



A Bitcoin halving is when block rewards for miners on the Bitcoin blockchain are cut in half to reduce the number of new coins entering the network. According to the Bitcoin Halving program, the halving happens every time when the Bitcoin network mines 210,000 new blocks, which takes place every four years. The progress will continue until all 21 million bitcoins are mined.

The most recent halving event occurred in May 2020, when Bitcoin's block reward was halved from 12.5 at the time to 6,25 now; The next halving is expected to take place in April 2024. At that time, Bitcoin's block reward will be reduced from the current 6.25 to 3.125 BTC. Over time, the Bitcoin block reward will only continue to halve, until it finally approaches zero.

## Why was the Bitcoin Halving Done?

This halving mechanism is the core of Bitcoin's value proposition, curbing the flow of new coins coming into circulation, ensuring scarcity and avoiding devaluation.

Due to the setting of the Bitcoin mining algorithm, new blocks are found every 10 minutes. As more miners join, the time required to find new blocks decreases. In order to maintain the 10-minute setting, the mining difficulty is reset every two weeks or so. However, with the rapid growth of the Bitcoin network, the average time to locate a block is still below 10 minutes (about 9.5 minutes).

Thus, halving Bitcoin ensures that the amount of Bitcoins that can be mined per block will decrease over time, thus making Bitcoin more rare and maintaining its value.

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## **History of Bitcoin Halvings**

So far this year, Bitcoin has been halved three times. The three halving took place in 2012, 2016 and 2020, respectively, and the next halving is expected to take place in 2024, when the number of

blocks will reach 740,000 and the block reward will be reduced from 6.25 BTC to 3.125 BTC.

#### The following sets forth the history of Bitcoin halvings:

- **January 3, 2009**: Bitcoin was officially launched. At that time, the number of blocks was 0 and each block was rewarded with 50 new BTC.
- **November 28, 2012**: Bitcoin experienced its first halving. At this time, the number of blocks was 210,000, and each block was rewarded with 25 new BTC.
- **July 9, 2016**: Bitcoin halved for the second time. At that time, the number of blocks was 420,000, and each block was rewarded with 12.5 new BTC.
- May 12, 2020: Bitcoin experienced its third halving, which is also the most recent one. The number of blocks was 630,000 and each block was rewarded with 6.25 BTC.

## When is the Next Bitcoin Halving?

The next one is expected to take place around 15 April 2024. The exact timing of the halving is unknown because the Bitcoin network generates new blocks at a variable time (typically around 10 minutes).

## **How Might the Bitcoin Halving Impact Crypto Market?**

Why Bitcoin halving draws so much attention from investors?

Bitcoin halving does not only have an impact on the price of Bitcoin, but also affect the entire cryptocurrency market. It can also be observed from past history that the value of Bitcoin has increased after each halving. And Bitcoin has always been the core of the cryptocurrency market, so every halving event will also lead to the arrival of a bull market.

## The impact of Bitcoin halving on other cryptocurrencies

For the entire crypto market, Bitcoin is often a bellwether for market movements. When Bitcoin goes up, most major cryptocurrencies usually stay up for quite some time, so altcoins like Ethereum and Litecoin are positively correlated with the Bitcoin bull market.

Despite the current turmoil in the global economy and the fact that almost all assets are suffering losses, Bitcoin owners may once again reap the benefits from the halving event.



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#### The impact of Bitcoin halving on BTC's price

Historically, bitcoin prices do rise with anticipation of halving, often months after the actual event happened.

Bitcoin halving marks another decline in the rate of new Bitcoin production as it approaches the limit of supply. Over time, a slowdown in the rate of new Bitcoin issuance could help drive the price of the currency if demand remains constant.

In fact, we can also see that within a year after the first halving, the Bitcoin price ushered in a 6,000% increase. After the second and third halving, the Bitcoin price increase within a year fell to about 400%.

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## **How to Buy BTC?**

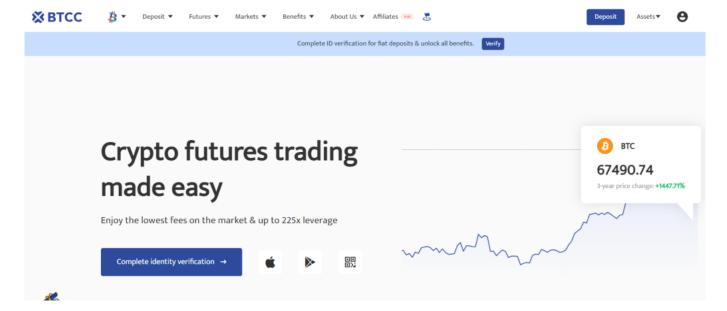
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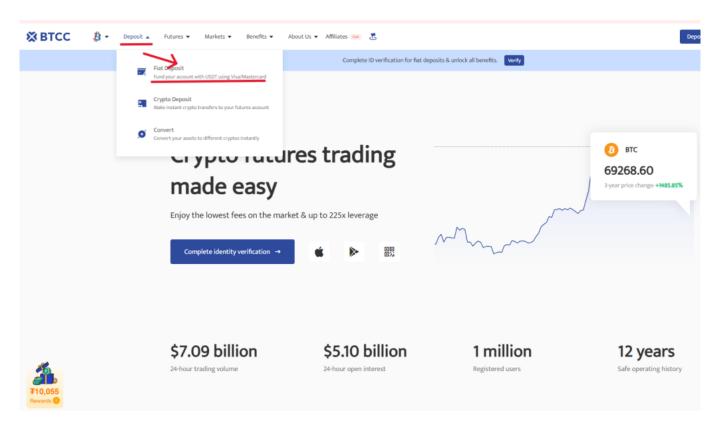
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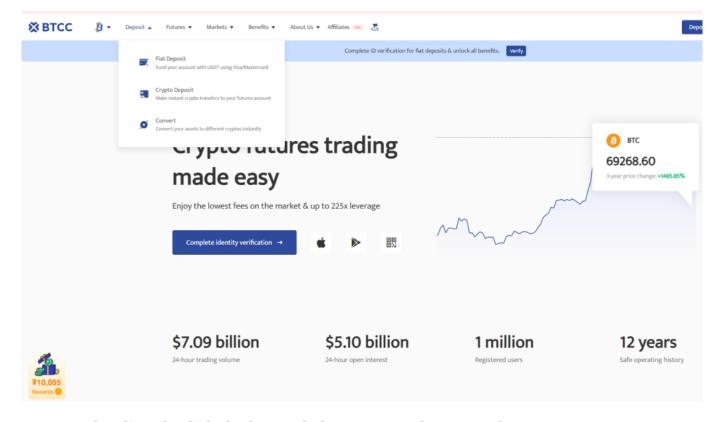
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**Step Three:** go back to the BTCC official homepage, choose "Futures" -"USDT-M Perpetual Futures Contract", and find BTC/USD trading pair.



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**Step Four**: enter the amount of coins you want to buy, and the amount of the contract purchased and the required margin will be displayed below.

**Step Five**: finally, adjust the leverage multiple and click Buy.

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