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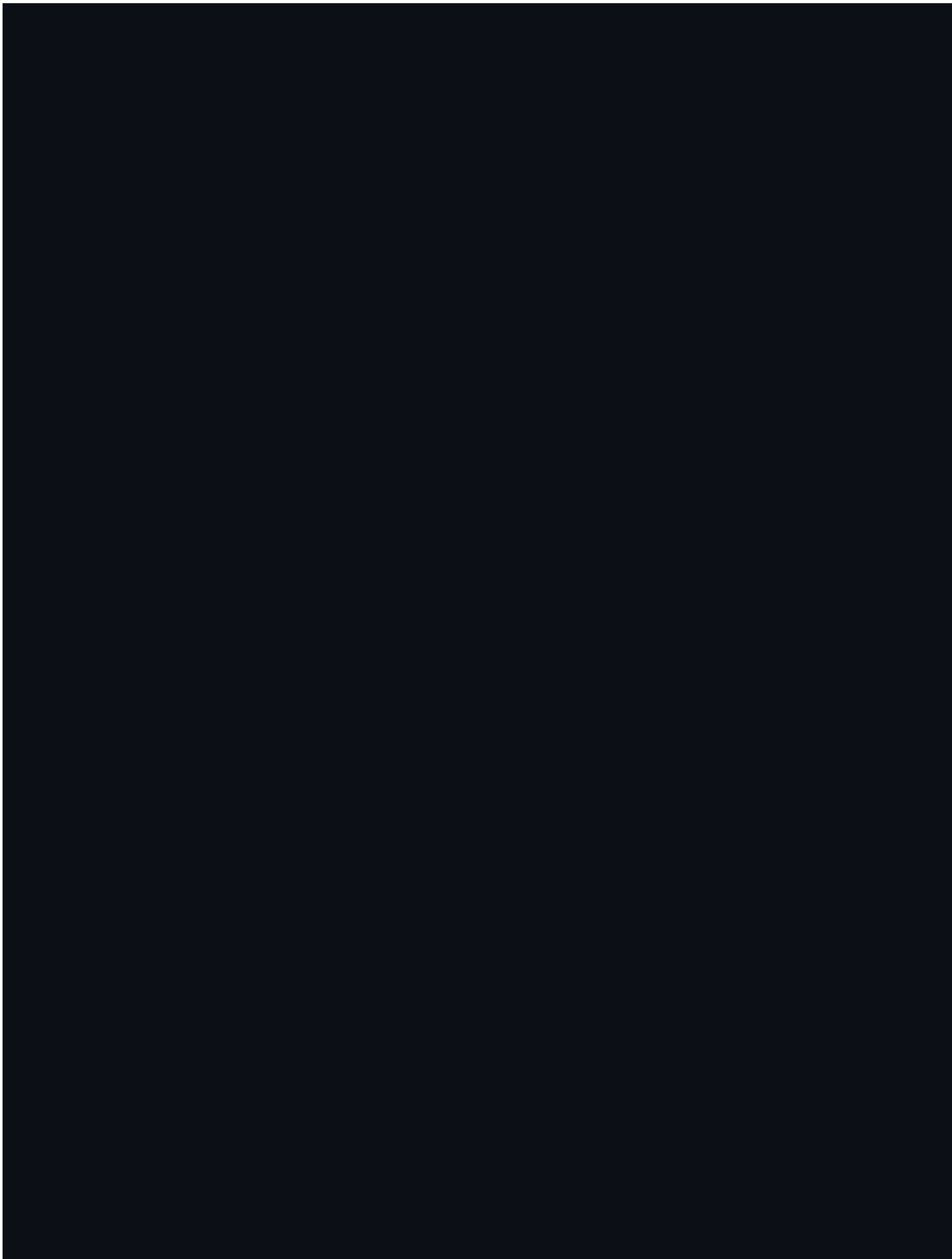

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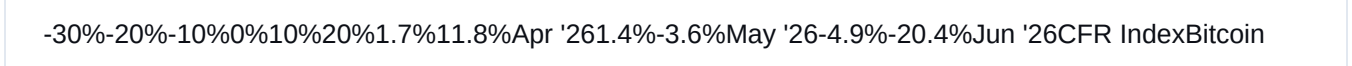
1. Market Overview

-1.9%	-14.2%	$93.4B	870
CFR INDEX Q2 2026	BITCOIN Q2 2026	INDUSTRY AUM	ACTIVE FUNDS

CFR Crypto Fund Index vs. Bitcoin

Monthly returns for Q2 2026

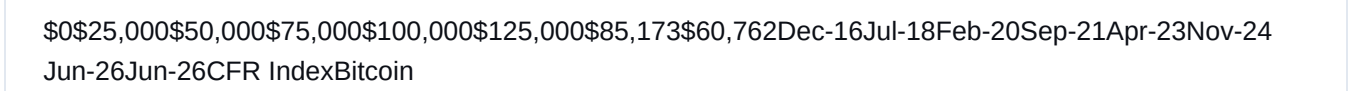


The CFR Crypto Fund Index returned -1.9% in Q2 2026, outperforming Bitcoin's -14.2% return by 12.3 percentage points. April was the strongest month for the index at +1.7%, while June saw the most modest performance at -4.9%.

Source: Crypto Fund Research. CFR Crypto Fund Index methodology at cryptofundresearch.com/cfr-crypto-fund-index/

CFR Crypto Fund Index vs. Bitcoin — Growth of $1,000

December 2016 – June 2026



Since inception in January 2017, a $1,000 investment in the CFR Crypto Fund Index would have grown to approximately $85,173 by the end of Q2 2026, representing a cumulative return of +8,417%. Over the same period, a $1,000 investment in Bitcoin would have grown to $60,762 (+5,976%).

Source: Crypto Fund Research

Monthly Returns Heatmap — Q2 2026

Average net-of-fees returns by strategy and month

Strategy	Apr	May	Jun	Q2 2026
Fund of Funds	+1.5%	+4.9%	-3%	**+3.3%**
Algorithmic/Quant	+1.4%	+0.4%	-0.5%	**+1.2%**
Long Only	+6.9%	+1.1%	-13.6%	**-6.6%**
Venture/ICO	+0%	+0%	+0%	**+0%**
Multi-Strategy/Other	+2%	+1.1%	-7.9%	**-5%**
Index/Tracker	+11.6%	-3.6%	-19.5%	**-13.4%**
CFR Index	**+1.7%**	**+1.4%**	**-4.9%**	**-1.9%**
Bitcoin	+11.8%	-3.6%	-20.4%	-14.2%

Fund of Funds led all strategies in Q2 2026 with a total return of +3.3%, while Index/Tracker posted the lowest return at -13.4%. Across all strategies, Apr was the strongest month of the quarter.

Source: Crypto Fund Research

2. Performance by Strategy

Q2 2026 Performance by Fund Strategy

Average quarterly return by strategy vs. Bitcoin benchmark

-20%-14%-8%-2%4%10%3.3%Fund of Funds1.2%Algorithmic/Quant0%Venture/ICO-5%Multi-Strategy/Other-6.6%Long Only-13.4%Index/Tracker-14.2%BitcoinQ2 2026 Return

Fund of Funds funds were the top-performing strategy in Q2 2026 with an average return of +3.3%. Index/Tracker funds posted the most modest returns at -13.4%. The index's -1.9% return in Q2 2026 was up from -8.7% in Q1 2026.

Source: Crypto Fund Research

2026 Year-to-Date Cumulative Returns by Strategy

Growth of $100 invested January 1, 2026

$60$70$80$90$100$110$89$97$99$76$100$86$66JanFebMarAprMayJunJunCFR IndexFund of Funds Algorithmic/QuantLong OnlyVenture/ICOMulti-Strategy/OtherIndex/Tracker

Through June 2026, Venture/ICO funds delivered the strongest year-to-date return at +0%, followed by the CFR Index at -10.9%. Index/Tracker funds trailed at -34.2% YTD.

Source: Crypto Fund Research

Q2 2026 Return Distribution — Quartile Spread

Top quartile, median, and bottom quartile returns by strategy

-10%-8%-6%-4%-2%0%0%-0.1%-0.2%Long Only-0.2%-0.2%-0.2%Index/Tracker0%0%-0% Algorithmic/Quant0%-0%-0.1%Multi-Strategy/Other0%0%-0%Fund of FundsTop QuartileMedianBottom Quartile

Return dispersion in Q2 2026 was widest among Long Only funds, where top-quartile performers gained 0% while bottom-quartile funds returned -0.2% — a spread of 0.2 percentage points. Index/Tracker funds showed the tightest clustering with a spread of just 0 points, indicating more consistent returns across the category.

Source: Crypto Fund Research

3. Industry Demographics

Cumulative Crypto Fund AUM

Estimated total assets under management, billions USD

$0B$24B$48B$72B$96B$120B$93Q1 2017Q3 2018Q1 2020Q3 2021Q1 2023Q3 2024Q1 2026Q1 2026 Industry AUM ($B)

Crypto fund industry AUM stood at an estimated $93.4B at the end of Q1 2026, down 6.4% from $99.9B in Q4 2025. Industry AUM peaked at $101.5B in Q1 2025.

Source: Crypto Fund Research

Crypto Funds by Type

Distribution of funds across primary categories, Q2 2026

Hedge Fund (49.8%)Venture Capital (46.7%)Private Equity / Other (3.4%)

Of the 905 crypto funds tracked in Q2 2026, Hedge Fund make up 49.8% (451 funds). Venture Capital make up 46.7% (423 funds), Private Equity / Other make up 3.4% (31 funds).

Source: Crypto Fund Research

Crypto Funds by Region

Primary office location, Q2 2026

North America (51.9%)Europe (21.1%)Asia (19%)Offshore (4.4%)Middle East (2.2%)Other (1.5%)

As of Q2 2026, crypto funds are distributed across: North America (51.9%), Europe (21.1%), Asia (19%), Offshore (4.4%), Middle East (2.2%). About 4.4% of funds are based exclusively offshore.

Source: Crypto Fund Research

Average Fee Structure by Strategy

Management and performance fees, Q2 2026

Management FeePerformance FeeAlgorithmic/Quant1.73%23.35%Long Only2.37%19.63%Venture/ICO 2.00%22.50%Multi-Strategy/Other2.08%20.89%Index/Tracker2.02%20.00%Strategy0.00%0.00%Fund of Funds0.00%0.00%Algorithmic/Quant0.00%0.00%

The average crypto fund in Q2 2026 charges a 1.28% management fee and 13.30% performance fee. Long Only funds charge the highest management fees at 2.37%, while Algorithmic/Quant funds charge the highest performance fees at 23.35%.

Source: Crypto Fund Research

4. Risk-Adjusted Performance

On a risk-adjusted basis through Q2 2026, Algorithmic/Quant funds have the highest Sharpe ratio at 2.70. Since-inception metrics reflect performance from January 2017 through June 2026.

Metric	Fund of Funds	Algorithmic/Quant	Long Only	Venture/ICO	Multi-Strategy/Other	Index/Tracker	All Funds
Annualized Return	1.8%	15.6%	71.4%	157.5%	74.4%	64.4%	528.0%
Sharpe Ratio	1.32	2.70	1.05	1.23	2.10	0.68	1.86
Sortino Ratio	76.72	9.38	6.35	5.33	32.47	1.88	21.63
Beta (to BTC)	0.32	0.25	0.76	0.64	0.42	0.93	0.46
Max Drawdown	-30.8%	-27.8%	-59.4%	-79.0%	-33.0%	-73.8%	-53.9%
Correlation (to BTC)	0.51	0.33	0.74	0.43	0.52	0.75	0.51
Std Dev (Annualized)	19.0%	19.2%	47.6%	N/A	38.7%	58.9%	44.3%
Skewness	0.16	1.02	0.64	1.84	0.83	0.95	0.86

Beta to Bitcoin by Fund Strategy

Since inception, higher = more correlated to BTC

Fund of Funds0.32Algorithmic/Quant0.25Long Only0.76Venture/ICO0.64Multi-Strategy/Other0.42 Index/Tracker0.93All Funds0.46

Index/Tracker funds have the highest beta to Bitcoin at 0.93, followed by Long Only at 0.76, meaning their returns most closely track Bitcoin's movements. Algorithmic/Quant funds have the lowest beta at 0.25, indicating returns that are least correlated with Bitcoin price swings.

Source: Crypto Fund Research

5. Methodology & Disclaimers

About the CFR Crypto Fund Index: The CFR Crypto Fund Index is an equal-weighted composite of crypto funds that report monthly performance data to Crypto Fund Research. The index base value is 1,000 as of December 2016. The index is not investable and is provided for benchmarking purposes only.

Data Sources: All data is sourced from Crypto Fund Research's proprietary database. Performance data is reported voluntarily by participating funds. Fund demographics, geography, and team data come from the Crypto Fund List. Risk metrics are calculated using monthly returns since inception.

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