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Thread: [Bitcoin Core Wallet](#)

totalcontrol123 - October 10, 2024, 10:45 am

Hello,

I have some old Bitcoin Core wallet.dat files and about 1.2GB of blockchain data downloaded. I believe there may be Bitcoin in the wallet, but I'm unable to access it. Unfortunately, I accidentally overwrote the wallet file and will need assistance restoring my laptop (I have restore files available). The challenge is that I partitioned my hard drive years ago to install Bitcoin Core. I've attempted to use the restore files, but it hasn't worked. If anyone can help me recover and access the wallet, I'm willing to offer 50% of what's inside.

Omniscient - October 10, 2024, 11:08 am

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this is what i used before which worked after installing os by mistake. got some files back but not 100%

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XQBprGyy_Ko

Omniscient - October 10, 2024, 12:07 pm

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i messed up and haven't touched it since 2021 as i didn't want to lose the chance to recover the wallet file if any bitcoins inside

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i tired to donate some bytes to say thank you but it didn't allow me.