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Stanley - October 13, 2025, 3:20 pm

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Crypto wallets face the same usability crisis the early internet did in 1990 when users had to remember IP addresses instead of simple domain names. Web3 domains are solving this by converting complex 42-character wallet addresses into easy-to-remember names like traditional websites. With 10 million domains already registered and the market projected to hit \$6 billion by 2025, Web3 domains are becoming the foundational identity layer for decentralized applications, making crypto accessible to mainstream users while reducing errors and lost funds.

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Aeowulf - October 13, 2025, 4:13 pm

When it first came out, I always thought of it as a challenge and a potential hurdle. I don't know a good way to fix it. Maybe this is it? I'm not so sure... only time will tell.

Hackers - October 25, 2025, 8:38 am

Eh, take with a grain of salt... It is up 2x for most holders as of a year+ ago

Think about it..

THE HYPE OF CRYPTO & NFTS.... \$30-70K range

Now they say crypto is "dead" and we're at \$100-120K

media attention != reality. Often times the best time to make financial moves is when the media isn't talking about it. That's what I've found at least.

Ieste - October 30, 2025, 4:59 pm

he 1990s IP address analogy is spot on. 42 character addresses are the real blocker for mainstream adoption