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Thread: [Monero Non-Market Crypto](#)

Omniscient - February 24, 2026, 8:07 am

Today Monero going up while the rest of the market is dipping. Which imho it makes sense because Monero is the only real crypto currency used by Dark Markets and those keep on ticking. Monero is barely touched by Centralized Exchanges thus harder to manipulate in pricing. Funny is that everyone does trading games with most crypto meanwhile Monero just keeps chugging along. They tried to attack XMR this year with Zcash and a 51%, I don't consider their attempts successful.

Recently I stablecoin'd most of my holdings, except for XMR. If there was a crypto to hold for the future, it will be Monero because ultimately privacy is vital and you don't get it with Bitcoin or Zcash or anything else. Do I think XMR is going to \$10k? Probably not but the use case is there.

Who believes?

jackreacher - February 24, 2026, 8:11 am

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Artisan - February 24, 2026, 8:28 am

Add to this the economic sanctions and the motivation to bypass those sanctions via crypto and the 10k price isn't too far.

Costanza - February 24, 2026, 9:21 am

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(Feb 24, 2026 10:21 AM)Costanza Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) is it possible to get xmr on a ledger for example? always wanted to stack it seems good long term

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? Hardware Wallets That Support XMR

Here are the main options:

1. Ledger Nano X / Ledger Nano S Plus

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Note: Ledger's own Ledger Live app doesn't support XMR natively, so you use third-party Monero wallet software with the Ledger connected. ([Ledger][2])

2. Trezor Safe 3 and Trezor Safe 5 (and older Model T)

Trezor hardware wallets also support Monero when linked with compatible Monero wallet software (Monero GUI/CLI). ([trezor.io][3])

The older Trezor One does not* support Monero — you need the newer touchscreen models. ([99Bitcoins][4])

The Monero project's downloads page and community confirm that Trezor devices are supported hardware options. ([getmonero.org][1])

? How This Works in Practice

Because Monero is privacy-centric (with stealth addresses, ring signatures, etc.), hardware wallet vendors don't usually have a fully standalone interface like they do for Bitcoin or Ethereum. Instead:

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 2. You open the official Monero wallet software (Monero GUI or CLI).
 3. The hardware wallet signs transactions securely without exposing your private keys.
- ([getmonero.org][1])

This is considered one of the safest ways to hold XMR long-term because the keys never touch an internet-connected device.

? Quick Summary

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Not supported:

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[1]: https://www.getmonero.org/downloads/?utm_source=chatgpt.com "Downloads | Monero - secure, private, untraceable"

[2]: https://www.ledger.com/coin/wallet/monero?utm_source=chatgpt.com "Monero Wallet for Desktop & Mobile"

[3]: https://trezor.io/coins/wallet/monero?srsId=AfmBOoqLGhVYLG9hauQzkQs-gbFhMCOFNrAsLIW0moakdDbemBBVNdVa&utm_source=chatgpt.com "Keep Your Monero (XMR) Safe with Trezor Wallet"

[4]: https://99bitcoins.com/bitcoin-wallet/best-monero-wallets/?utm_source=chatgpt.com "Best Monero Wallets in 2025 to Store XMR"

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Thank you

IRLCash - February 25, 2026, 1:41 pm

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Not that many, especially ones that actually matter, have liquidity, aren't optional privacy.

It's only Monero.

AI Quote: If the question is purely:

> "Which chain provides the strongest built-in privacy guarantees at the protocol level?"

The consensus answer among cryptographers and privacy researchers is:

? Monero

Why Monero Is Considered the Most Private

1 Privacy Is Mandatory

Every transaction on Monero:

Hides sender

Hides receiver Hides amount

There is no “public mode.”

You cannot accidentally send a transparent transaction.

2 It Uses Multiple Layers of Obfuscation

Ring Signatures

-> Obscure the true sender among decoys.

Stealth Addresses

-> Receiver address never appears publicly.

RingCT (Confidential Transactions)

-> Transaction amounts are hidden.

This creates a very high anonymity set.

3 Network-Level Privacy

Monero supports:

Dandelion++ transaction propagation (reduces IP tracing) I2P/Tor usage compatibility

Not perfect, but stronger than most chains.

? Close Contender: Pirate Chain

Pirate Chain uses mandatory zk-SNARK shielded transactions (similar to Zcash’s shielded pool).

Strength:

All transactions are shielded by default.

Weakness:

Smaller ecosystem

Lower liquidity Less peer-reviewed battle testing than Monero

? Zcash

Zcash cryptography (zk-SNARKs) is extremely strong.

However:

Privacy is optional. Most transactions historically have been transparent.

Smaller anonymity set compared to Monero.

Important Distinction

There are two types of privacy:

Cryptographic privacy

How strong is the math?

Practical privacy

How large is the anonymity pool in real-world usage?

Monero wins because:

Everyone is private.

The anonymity set is large. It has been stress-tested for years.

Clean Answer

If your goal is maximum default, battle-tested transaction privacy:

Monero currently provides the strongest overall privacy in practice.

If you want, I can also break down:

Whether governments can still trace Monero Whether zk-SNARK chains are theoretically stronger
Or which chain is hardest to deanonymize today

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I'd say you're totally right, Monero doesn't have any real competition at the moment.

It's the real deal when it comes to privacy.

Lock in & HODL!

Monero might hit \$1k+ soon.