

Crypto Custody Market Forecasts to 2032 – Global Analysis By Type (Self-Custody, Third-Party Custody, Exchange Custody, and Other Types), Component, Deployment Mode, Application, End User and By Geography

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Abstracts

According to Statistics MRC, the Global Crypto Custody Market is accounted for \$3.35 billion in 2025 and is expected to reach \$8.87 billion by 2032 growing at a CAGR of 14.9% during the forecast period. Crypto custody is the practice of securely storing and managing cryptocurrencies for individuals or institutions. It focuses on protecting private keys, which grant access to digital assets, through methods such as encryption, offline (cold) storage, and multi-signature systems. These services are typically offered by professional custodians or financial entities to minimize risks like hacking or loss, while also ensuring compliance with regulatory standards and efficient management of crypto holdings.

Market Dynamics:

Driver:

Rise of crypto investment products

Institutional investors are increasingly allocating capital to cryptocurrencies, driving the need for regulated storage platforms. Retail participation is also rising, with exchanges and fintech firms offering diverse investment products. As tokenization spreads across sectors, custody providers are adapting to safeguard a wider range of digital assets. Innovations in multi-signature wallets and cold storage are enhancing trust and adoption. The overall surge in crypto investment products is positioning custody

services as a critical market enabler.

Restraint:

Persistent cybersecurity concerns

High-profile breaches and hacking incidents have eroded investor confidence in digital asset storage. Custodians must continuously invest in advanced encryption, intrusion detection, and monitoring systems to mitigate threats. Regulatory authorities are also tightening compliance requirements around data protection and operational resilience. Smaller firms often struggle to meet these standards due to limited resources and expertise. Persistent concerns over cyber vulnerabilities continue to slow innovation and market penetration.

Opportunity:

Demand for DeFi and staking integration

Investors are seeking platforms that can securely manage staking, yield farming, and governance participation. Custodians integrating these services are positioned to capture rising demand for passive income strategies. Advances in smart contract auditing and decentralized protocols are improving safety and accessibility. Emerging markets are witnessing strong adoption of staking as a means to maximize returns. This trend is opening avenues for custodians to expand beyond storage into value-added services.

Threat:

Counterparty risk from custodian insolvency

Insolvency or mismanagement of custodians can lead to significant asset losses. Market participants are increasingly demanding transparency in balance sheets and operational practices. Regulators are introducing stricter oversight to reduce systemic risks in custody operations. However, sudden market downturns or liquidity crises can still destabilize custodians. Without robust contingency planning, investors remain vulnerable to custodian failures.

Covid-19 Impact:

The pandemic reshaped the crypto custody landscape, accelerating digital adoption while exposing operational vulnerabilities. Lockdowns disrupted physical infrastructure, pushing custodians to strengthen remote and automated systems. Regulatory bodies introduced flexible guidelines to support continuity of custody services. The crisis also highlighted the importance of resilience and decentralized storage models. Post-pandemic strategies now emphasize automation, compliance, and risk diversification across custody networks.

The third-party custody segment is expected to be the largest during the forecast period

The third-party custody segment is expected to account for the largest market share during the forecast period, due to its widespread adoption by institutional investors. These custodians provide secure storage, compliance assurance, and insurance coverage, making them attractive to large funds. Technological advancements such as hardware security modules and cold storage vaults are reinforcing their leadership. Financial institutions are increasingly partnering with regulated custodians to meet investor demand. Rising transaction volumes and the need for trusted intermediaries are further driving growth.

The hedge funds segment is expected to have the highest CAGR during the forecast period

Over the forecast period, the hedge funds segment is predicted to witness the highest growth rate, due to their aggressive investment strategies require secure and flexible storage solutions. Custodians offering integrated trading, lending, and staking services are attracting hedge fund participation. The rise of crypto-focused funds is amplifying demand for institutional-grade custody platforms. Regulatory clarity in key markets is encouraging hedge funds to expand digital asset exposure.

Region with largest share:

During the forecast period, the Asia Pacific region is expected to hold the largest market share. Countries such as China, India, and Singapore are witnessing rapid adoption of digital assets. Government initiatives supporting blockchain innovation are boosting regional custody infrastructure. Local exchanges and fintech firms are partnering with custodians to meet rising investor demand. The region is also experiencing strong growth in retail participation and institutional investment. Strategic collaborations between global custodians and regional players are enhancing market penetration.

Region with highest CAGR:

Over the forecast period, the North America region is anticipated to exhibit the highest CAGR. The U.S. and Canada are leading in regulatory frameworks and institutional adoption. Custodians in the region are pioneering innovations in multi-layer security and compliance automation. Strong venture capital investment is accelerating the development of custody platforms. Financial institutions are integrating custody services into broader digital asset strategies.

Key players in the market

Some of the key players in Crypto Custody Market include Coinbase, Fidelity Di, Anchorage, BNY Mello, BitGo, Standard C, Fireblocks, Cactus Cus, Ledger Ent, Gemini Cu, Hex Trust, Komainu, Metaco, Sygnum Ba, and Copper.co.

Key Developments:

In October 2025, BitGo announced a strategic collaboration with Crescite Innovation Corporation, creator of the Catholic Token and a global leader in faith-based blockchain innovation. BitGo and Crescite intend to collaborate on faith-based digital asset initiatives. As part of this strategic collaboration, the parties aim for BitGo to potentially provide secure custody, reserve management, and issuance infrastructure for Crescite's proposed Catholic USD™ stablecoin and related projects, subject to regulatory review and definitive agreements.

In September 2025, BNY and Carnegie Mellon University (CMU) announced a five-year, \$10 million agreement to support world-class research and development in artificial intelligence (AI). The collaboration will bring students, faculty and staff from across the University together with BNY experts to advance the state-of-the-art in AI applications and systems and prepare the next generation of leaders.

Types Covered:

Self-Custody

Third-Party Custody

Exchange Custody

Other Types

Components Covered:

Hardware Solutions

Software Platforms

Services

Deployment Modes Covered:

On-Premises

Cloud-Based

Applications Covered:

Institutional Investors

Retail Investors

Enterprise Clients

Other Applications

End Users Covered:

Banking, Financial Services & Insurance (BFSI)

Hedge Funds

Family Offices

High Net Worth Individuals (HNWI)

Other End Users

Regions Covered:

North America

US

Canada

Mexico

Europe

Germany

UK

Italy

France

Spain

Rest of Europe

Asia Pacific

Japan

China

India

Australia

New Zealand

South Korea

Rest of Asia Pacific

South America

Argentina

Brazil

Chile

Rest of South America

Middle East & Africa

Saudi Arabia

UAE

Qatar

South Africa

Rest of Middle East & Africa

What our report offers:

- Market share assessments for the regional and country-level segments
- Strategic recommendations for the new entrants
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Market estimations, Forecasts and CAGR of any prominent country as per the client's interest (Note: Depends on feasibility check)

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Benchmarking of key players based on product portfolio, geographical presence, and strategic alliances

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