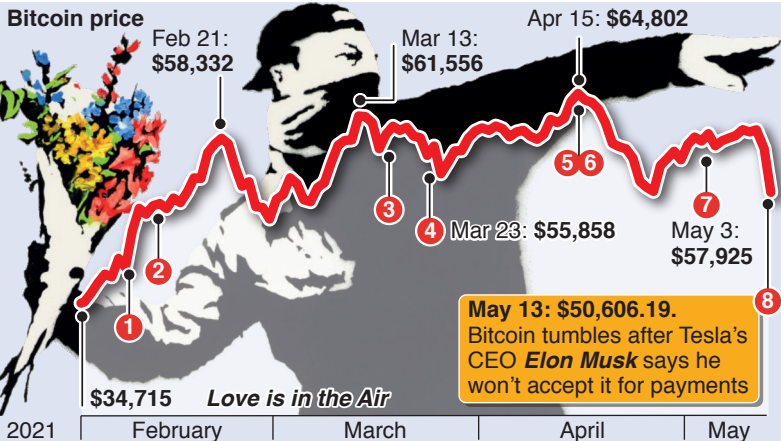


Bitcoin's rollercoaster price ride

Bitcoin hit a record high in April, driven by investors seeking high-yielding assets amid low interest rates. Sotheby's has now accepted cryptocurrency for the first time as payment for a piece of fine art

Bitcoin price



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1 Feb 8: Tesla buys **\$1.5bn** of bitcoin – cryptocurrency surges 20%

2 Mastercard unveils plans to support cryptocurrency payments across its network

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Morgan Stanley

3 Mar 17: U.S. bank **Morgan Stanley** offers access to bitcoin funds

4 Mar 23: Elon Musk says Tesla will sell its cars using bitcoin

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6 Apr 15: Swiss arm of **AXA** – one of Europe's largest companies – accepts bitcoin for payments

5 Apr 14: U.S. cryptocurrency exchange **Coinbase** is valued at **\$86bn** on its debut on Nasdaq Stock Market



7 May 3: **S&P Dow Jones** launches indices, tracking bitcoin and other tokens, boosting credibility of cryptocurrency market

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Sotheby's

8 May 12: Sotheby's auctions **Banksy's "Love is in the Air"** for **\$12.9m** in cryptocurrency. **Tesla suspends car sales using bitcoin**