

# Bittensor: The Internet of Al

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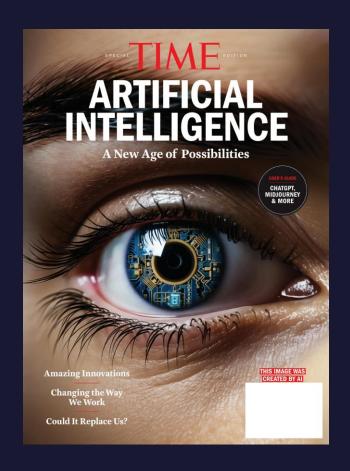
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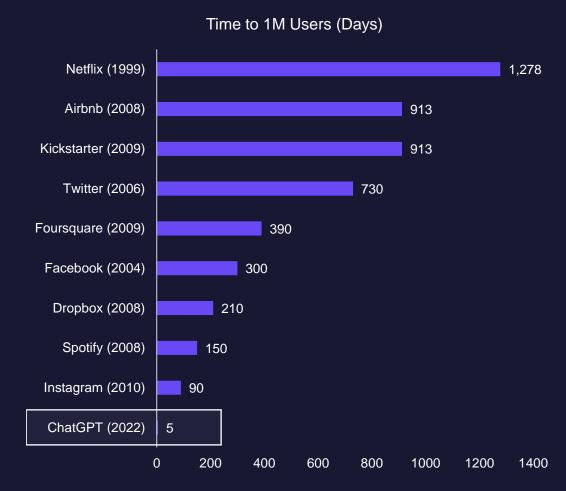
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# Slowly, Then All at Once

 All technology has rapidly evolved from rule-based systems to powerful machine learning models capable of understanding language, generating content, and making complex decisions, with large-scale models making significant leaps in general-purpose All capabilities.







# Artificial Intelligence is Everywhere

- Advances in data availability, computing power, and neural network design have driven exponential growth in AI capabilities, enabling machines to perform tasks once thought exclusive to humans — including language translation, image recognition, and even creative writing.
- All is expected to become deeply integrated into nearly every sector, from healthcare to education to national security, raising
  opportunities for productivity and innovation.

#### **Text Generation & Summarization**

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#### **Image Generation & Manipulation**

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#### **Software & Coding**

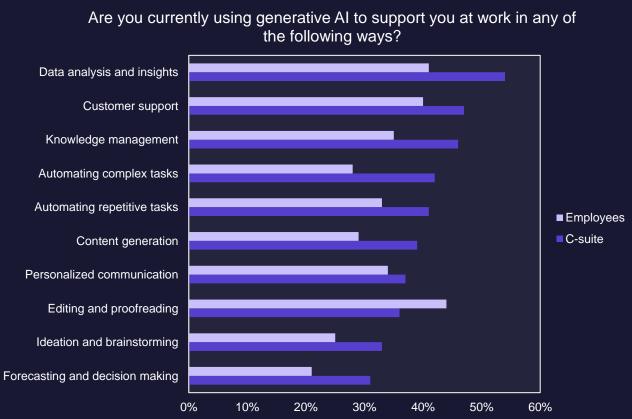
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# Disrupting The Business World

- After remaining stagnant for the last few years, the number of firms using AI in at least one business function jumped in 2024 from 55% to nearly 75% of organizations.
- In an enterprise survey of over 1,600 C-Suite executives and their employees conducted by the Writer, it was found that AI usage
  has disrupted work activities for all employee levels, with C-suite executives reporting higher usage than employees in nine out of
  the ten surveyed categories.

% of Organizations that use AI in at least one business function 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024





# Market Magnitude

- According to Grand View Research, the global AI market was valued at \$279 billion in 2024 and is projected to grow at a CAGR of 35.9% from 2025 to 2030, reaching a total value of \$1.76 trillion by 2030.
- PWC expects that by 2030, AI will have cumulatively added \$15.7 trillion to global GDP due to productivity gains and innovative products and services.
- Companies are rushing to capture market share by heavily investing in AI, with the four largest hyperscalers projected to spend \$325 billion on capital expenditures in 2025.

Global AI Projected Market Size (\$B)



Hyperscaler\* Annual Capex (\$B)





## The Foundation of it All

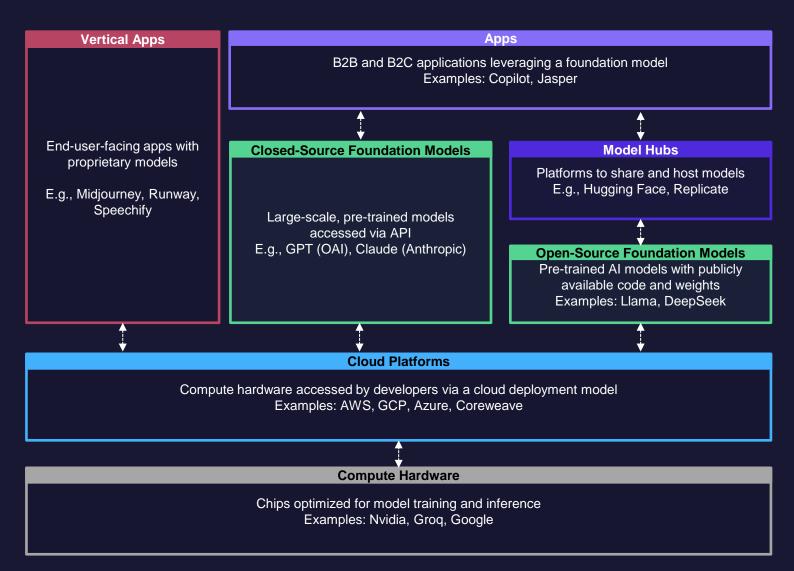
- Foundational models are large-scale AI models trained on vast and diverse datasets (like text, code, or images), enabling them to
  perform a wide range of tasks with minimal specific tuning. They serve as the "base layer" for many AI applications, allowing
  developers to build on top of them for specialized use cases.
- Foundational model investment has been prolific with companies like OpenAl and Anthropic raising 10's of billions of dollars at 12-figure valuations.

Metric	OpenAl	Anthropic	Google	Meta	Amazon	DeepSeek	Mistral Al	xAl
SOTA Model	OpenAl o3	Claude 3.7 Sonnet	Gemini 2.0 Pro Experimental	Llama 3.3 70B	Nova Pro	DeepSeek R1	Mistral Au Large	Grok 3
AA Intelligence Index	70	48	49	41	37	60	N/A	66
Reasoning Model?	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	N/A	N/A
Open-weight?	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Go-to-Market	Apps & API	Apps & API	API & Existing Products	Existing Products	API & Existing Products	Apps & API	Apps & API	Apps & API
Funding	\$24B	\$16B	Public	Public	Public	N/A	\$1.2B	\$12B
Valuation	*\$300B	*\$62B	Public	Public	Public	N/A	\$6.5B	\$50B



## Breaking Down the AI Stack

- Much of the value generated from Al has accrued to foundational models and infrastructure providers such as semiconductor companies (Nvidia) or cloud providers (Amazon, Google, Microsoft).
- Compute costs are a significant barrier to entry, with advanced models needing thousands of highend GPUs.
- Foundational models also require significant data storage and energy costs to run at scale.
- As the cost of inference declines, it's likely that value will shift from infrastructure and foundational models to consumer or vertical apps.



Source: FS Insight 8

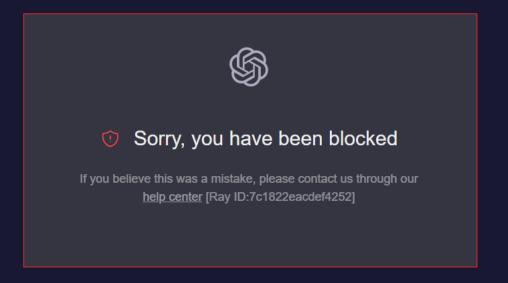


# Risks of Centralized Artificial Intelligence

- Intensive capital requirements and competitive advantages have given large tech companies an upper hand in the AI development race. Increasing concentration of user data and model outputs among a few companies has raised concerns about AI governance and transparency.
- Foundational models such as Google's and DeepSeek's have shown biases, historical inaccuracies, and political leanings, displaying the human element that's still evident in proprietary AI development. As AI continues to embed itself in society, the need for transparent objective models is paramount.
- Additionally, developers outside of large-tech companies have limited access to advanced tools and models, stifling competition and
  potentially leading to monopolization.

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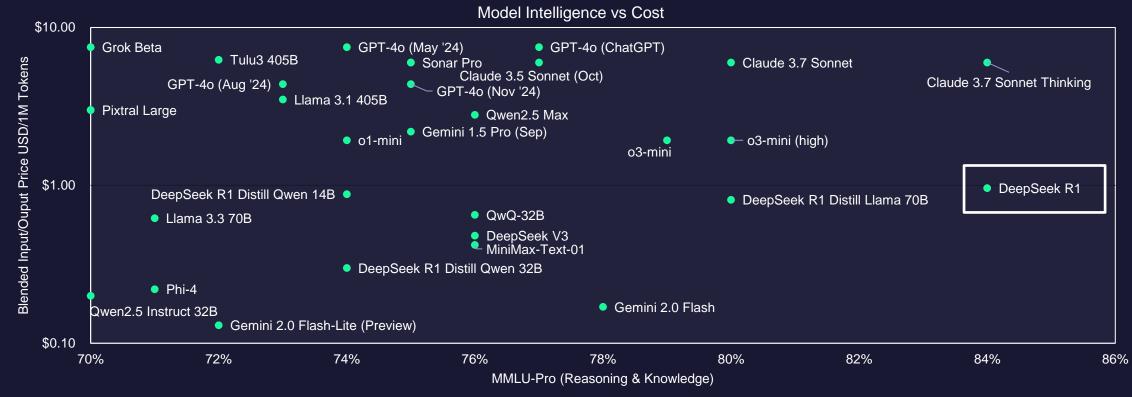


Source: ChatGPT, FS Insight



# The DeepSeek Moment

- Earlier this year, China released an open-source Al model, known as DeepSeek, that exceeded the performance of leading
  American models such as OpenAl's o1 model. DeepSeek was allegedly created and trained with far fewer resources, with some
  estimating that only five to six million was spent to train the model, compared to the estimated hundreds of millions for OpenAl's
  models.
- The DeepSeek release was a pivotable moment, causing a historical sell-off in technology names as investors questioned American technological dominance and igniting a global AI race.



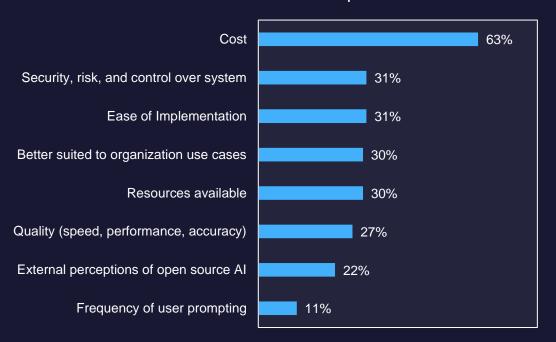
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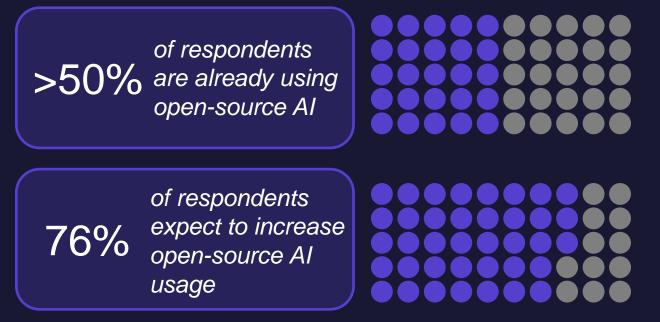


# Shift To Open-Source Development

- The DeepSeek situation shed light on the power of open-source development, and the ability of open-source models to compete with centralized technology behemoths. Companies are already beginning to integrate open-source technologies into their businesses.
- In a Mckinsey business leader survey of over 700 technology companies, they found that more than 50% of respondents are already
  leveraging open-source AI, with 76% expecting to increase open-source usage over the next few years.
- Additionally, organizations that view AI as important to their competitive advantage are 40% more likely to use open-source AI models and tools than other organizations.

### Reason for Open-Source Preference







## Closed vs. Open-Source Models

- Open-source Al models offer several advantages:
  - **Transparency**: Their open nature allows for scrutiny, reducing the risk of unintended behaviors.
  - Customization: Developers can tailor models to specific needs without relying on third-party providers.
  - Censorship Resistance: Decentralization diminishes the likelihood of content suppression, promoting free access to information.

Al model alignment refers to the congruence between an Al system's objectives and human values or intentions. Misaligned models can produce undesirable or harmful outputs. Additionally, centralized Al models may be subject to censorship, limiting their accessibility and utility in certain contexts.

Category	Open Al	Closed Al	
Models	Publicly available	Kept private	
Data	Transparent training & data sharing	Training data specifics kept secret	
Code	Open-source code	Closed source code	
Development Cycles	Slower	Faster	
Ease of Use	Less support services and infrastructure	Infrastructure and support services provided	
Control	Community	Internal controls	
Commercial Benefits	Shared innovation	Maintains competitive edge, commercial benefits	
Scrutiny	Broader community identification of problems	Limited to internal resources for identification	
Recruitment	Attracts innovative developers	May attract developers seeking proprietary work	
Bias Identification	Transparency in training sources	Difficult to identify bias due to lack of transparency	
Scalability Improvements	Collective innovation accelerates scalability	Closed models may need to rely on internal efforts	

Source: FS Insight 12



# Crypto Can Alleviate Open-Source Pain Points

- Historically, open-source models have faced funding and coordination challenges, with no clear ways to support development costs and incentivize contributions.
- Token incentives provide a potential solution, offering an innovative way to fund development and coordinate innovative
  contributions, while distributed infrastructure can reduce capital requirements and enhance scalability, possibly facilitating a new era
  of open-source development.
- Introduction of DAOs can decentralize governance decisions to ensure transparency and stakeholder alignment.

Open-source Challenges	How Crypto Can Help			
Incentive Misalignment	Shared token economies can be used to align incentives for developers and endusers. Token rewards can support developer costs and incentivize continual contributions.			
Resource Accessibility	Open-source developers often lack access to the proper hardware or advanced development tools needed for advanced AI innovation. A permissionless network of decentralized development tools and distributed infrastructure lowers barriers to entry for developers and is supportive of accelerated AI innovation.			
Governance & Coordination	DAOs allow for transparent and decentralized decision-making, helping to coordinate objectives of the entire ecosystem and support cross-project governance.			

Source: FS Insight 13



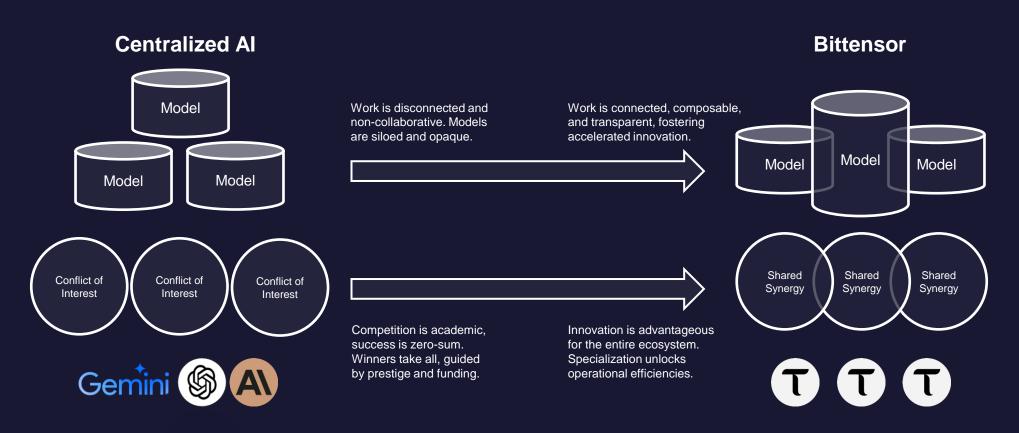
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## Bittensor – The Internet of Al

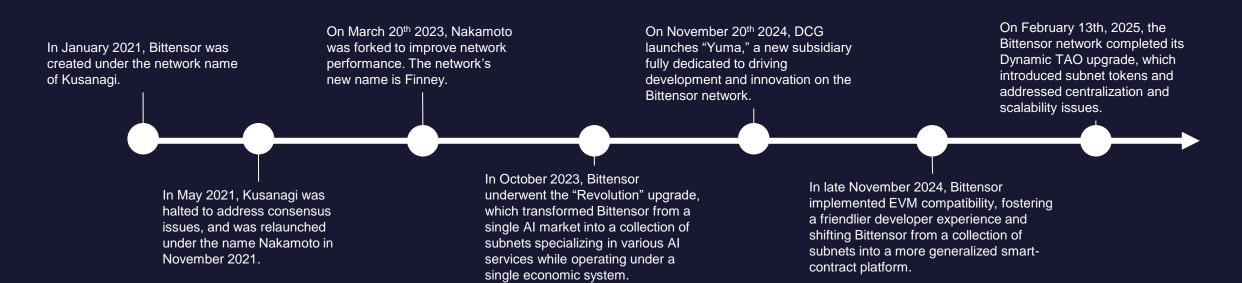
- Bittensor is a decentralized artificial intelligence protocol that utilizes a crypto economic model to incentivize machine learning, Al
  model creation, and commoditized inference to create the "Internet of AI."
- Bittensor envisions a future of a distributed network of interconnected AI "subnets," forming a credibly neutral global AI platform
  enabling permissionless access to AI resources and applications.





## **Evolution of the Bittensor Network**

- Inspired by Bitcoin, Bittensor was created in 2021 to create an incentivized network for machine learning and artificial intelligence.
   Instead of incentivizing SHA256 hashes, Bittensor would use the TAO token to incentivize productive AI services, starting with a single text-prompting network.
- In October 2023, Bittensor underwent the "Revolution" upgrade, which transformed Bittensor from a single AI market into a collection
  of subnets specializing in various AI services while operating under a single economic system.
- Earlier this year, Bittensor underwent one of its most significant upgrades, with the introduction of Dynamic TAO (dTAO), which is the iteration of its tokenomics and governance model, directly addressing centralization and scalability issues as it pertains to evaluating subnet contributions within the network.





## Bittensor Components & Contributors

- There are multiple ways to participate in the Bittensor ecosystem, with the different roles working in conjunction across Bittensor components to create a self-sustaining decentralized AI ecosystem.
- The Bittensor blockchain is responsible for recording balances and transactions for miners, validators and subnet creators, and allows for arbitrary parties to stake currency into subnets to support their work.

### Components

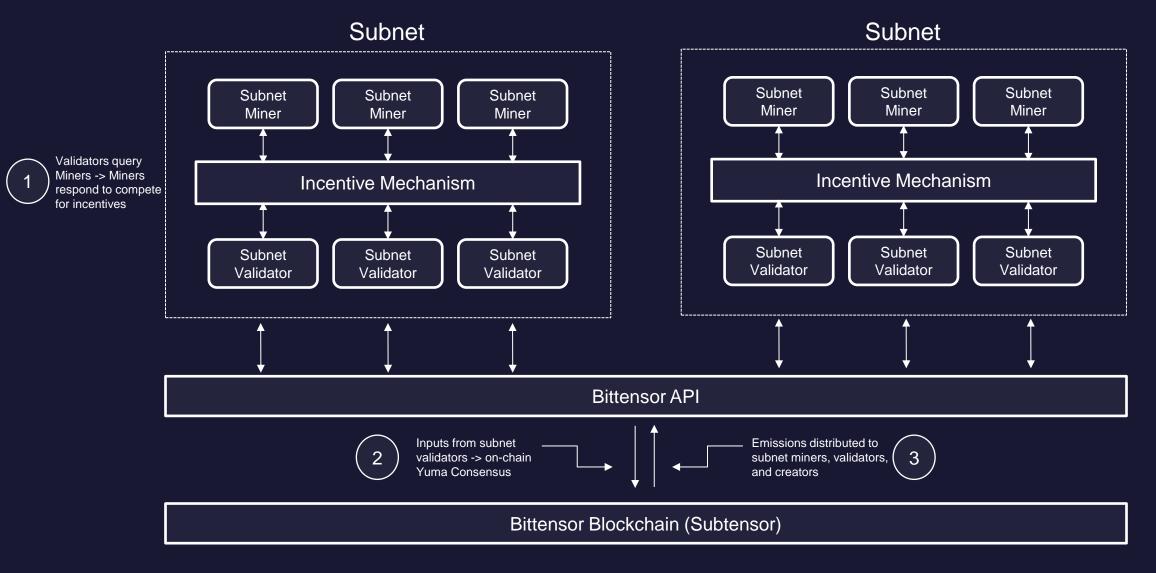
- Bittensor Blockchain (Subtensor) The Bittensor blockchain serves as a system of record, and its token TAO serves as incentives for participation in subnet activities. Miners and validators harvest emissions based on their performance within subnets.
- 2. Subnets Each subnet is an incentive-based market that produces a digital commodity related to artificial intelligence. It consists of a community of miners who produce the commodity, and a community of validators who measure the miners' work to ensure its quality.
- 3. Yuma Consensus An algorithmic process used to score the performance of validators and miners, and in turn compute corresponding emissions.
- 4. Bittensor SDK A software development kit that supports interactions between miners and validators within subnets and allows all parties to interact with the blockchain as necessary. Bittensor provides all the open-source tools, codebase, and documentation for developers.

### Contributors

- 1. Subnet Creators Manage the incentive mechanisms that specify the work miners must complete and what validators are evaluating.
- 2. Miners Work to produce digital commodities (inference, compute, machine learnings, etc)
- 3. Validators Evaluate the quality of miners' work and relay responses to users.
- 4. Stakers TAO holders can support specific validators by delegating TAO to them.
- End-Users Consumers can use specific products across various subnets for personal use or leverage outputs to build other applications within the Bittensor ecosystem.



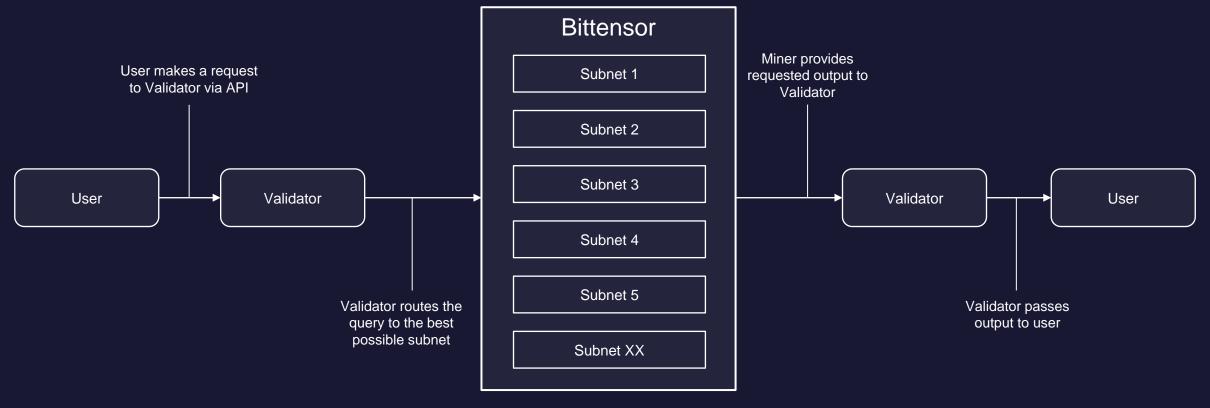
## Bittensor Architecture





## Users on Bittensor

- Validators are the gateway to accessing the Bittensor ecosystem, as they are responsible for routing jobs to the best subnets and relaying miner responses to Bittensor end-users. Bittensor is more oriented towards application developers than consumer apps.
- Users can purchase access to validator APIs using fiat currency in a more web2-like experience. If a validator chooses to validate on every subnet, a single API provides access to the entire Bittensor ecosystem.

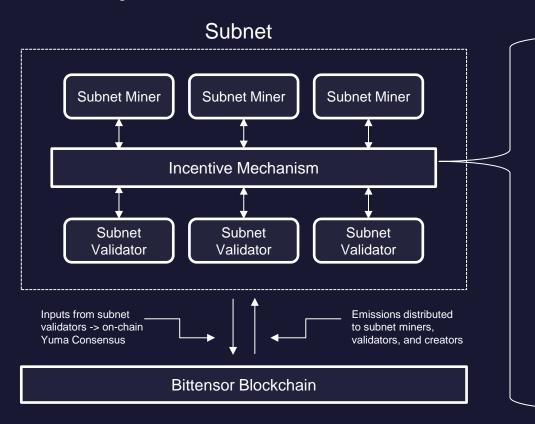


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# Subnet Design

- Each subnet is designed with a unique incentive mechanism to drive what tasks miners complete and how validators score miners'
  work. It is up to the subnet creator to ensure the incentive mechanism's design aligns participants' goals.
- Validators evaluate miners' outputs and periodically compute a vector of scores for individual miners, representing an aggregate ranking system for performance. The ranking weight vectors are transmitted to the Bittensor blockchain and Yuma Consensus is leveraged to determine miner and validator emissions.



### **Design Considerations**

For subnets to succeed, the incentive mechanisms should:

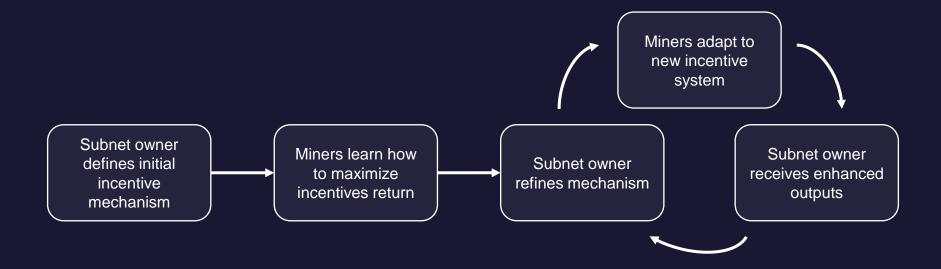
- 1. Motivate miners to optimize their validator scores (and hence emissions) to achieve the desired subnet outcome.
- 2. Facilitate miner and validator participation.
- 3. Prevent miner and validator exploits.

A well-designed incentive mechanism fosters a virtuous cycle, where competition drives continuous miner improvement, and a flawed mechanism encourages shortcuts that degrade the subnet's integrity and undermine participation.



# Subnet Enhancement Cycle

- Subnets are designed for specific use cases, and miners are rewarded based on how effectively they fulfill the subnet's mission. As a result, miners are incentivized to find the most efficient path to the desired output, regardless of whether they use AI models.
- As miners exploit existing incentives, subnet owners will develop new mechanisms to ensure they continue receiving optimal outputs.
- This creates a dynamic feedback loop: the subnet enhancement mechanism functions like a perpetual bug bounty, where miners
  earn emissions for discovering the easiest path to a desired output—enabling continuous iteration and improvement by the subnet
  owner.



Source: Messari, FS Insight 21



# Validator Stake Weight

- If a validator wants to earn emissions from a subnet, they must "stake" TAO into that particular subnet's liquidity pool in exchange for the subnet's "alpha token". Validators can also choose to stake to Subnet Zero (Root Network), which has no alpha token. Prior to the Dynamic TAO upgrade, the top 64 validators on Subnet Zero were responsible for determining emission allocations.
- Following the dTAO upgrade, staking to SN0 provides less stake weight than validating on subnets. The current Root Weight is set to 18%. Over time, the amount of circulating alpha tokens relative to TAO will increase, making subnet validation more central to the network.
- A validator's total stake weight is the validator's stake weight relative to the total network's stake weight and is a quantifiable way to evaluate how credible a validator is. It feeds into Yuma Consensus when determining a validator's voting power and emissions.

Validator Stake Weight = Alpha Stake + (Root Stake × Root Weight)

Alpha Stake = Amount staked to subnets
Root Stake = Amount staked to Subnet Zero
Root Weight = Adjustment Variable for determining Root:Alpha emissions

Validator Stake Weight
Total Stake Weight = -----Total Network Stake

Root Stake

Alpha Stake

5.92 Million TAO

0.9 Million TAO



## Yuma Consensus

- Yuma Consensus, also known as proof-of-intelligence, is an algorithmic process operating on Subtensor, which ingests validator weight vectors (miner scores) to evaluate the performance of miners, and in turn compute relative emissions.
- Validators assign a score from zero to one to evaluate the accuracy of a miner's outputs according to the subnet's designed purpose. A higher score indicates better accuracy and utility.
- The algorithm is designed to more heavily weight the inputs of trusted validators (higher stake weight), and disregard unreliable weight-settings. If a validator's assessment of a miner deviates significantly from the network's consensus, the validator's stake weight is "clipped", incentivizing validators to honestly and accurately evaluate miners.
- Yuma Consensus allows for fuzzy consensus around probabilistic truths like
  machine intelligence. It is not a rigid structure for evaluating miners' work,
  and it leaves an element of subjectivity in determining which miners are
  producing the best outputs, creating flexibility for developers to incentivize
  unique digital commodities or services.

#### **Traditional Consensus**

Bitcoin – Verify if a hash is valid

- Binary Outcome (Y/N)
- Same answer globally

#### Traditional Blockchain -

- Valid transaction (Y/N)
- Smart Contract Condition Met (Y/N)

#### **Yuma Consensus**

- How "good is this model output?
- How accurate is this prediction?
- How fast is this compute?
- Creates a framework for measuring quality
- Measurable tasks can be commoditized
- Computation can occur off-chain



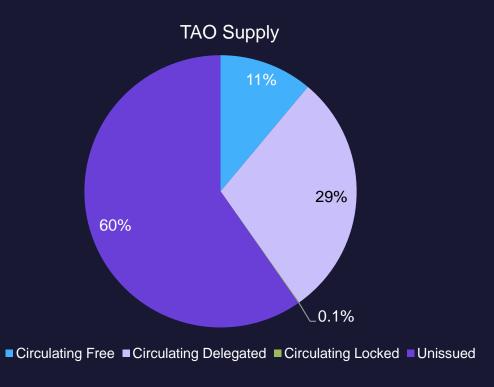
## **TAO Demand**

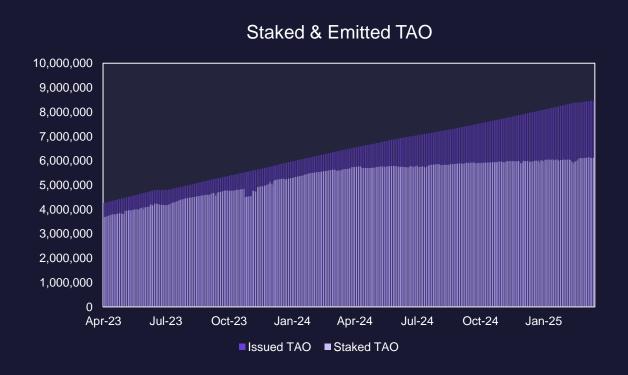
- The TAO token is integral to the Bittensor ecosystem and is used across all protocol components:
  - **Governance** Holding the TAO token provides governance rights, allowing holders to help shape the future of the Bittensor network and potentially alter protocol parameters or mechanisms.
  - Security (Validator Requirements) To qualify as a Validator, one must have a minimum total stake weight of 1,000 TAO. There are a maximum of 64 validator slots per subnet, allotted to the 64 largest validators by total stake weight, driving competition for increased stake weight, and therefore holding more TAO.
  - Security (Miner Registration Fees) Costs per subnet vary but are generally under 2 TAO and are recycled into the emission pool. There are 192 miner slots per subnet so increased demand could drive cost upwards.
  - Subnet Registration Fees Subnet registration cost varies, with a minimum cost of 100 TAO. The current cost is approximately
    400 TAO. Registration fees are fully refundable if a subnet is delisted.
  - **Transaction Fees** Transaction fees on Subtensor are paid in TAO. The introduction of EVM compatibility on Subtensor could potentially increase the significance of transaction fees as developers look to build out DeFi capabilities on Subtensor.
  - **Economic Scarcity** By adhering to a fixed supply schedule similar to Bitcoin's, Bittensor's TAO could accrue a monetary premium beyond its fundamental utility-driven demand.



# TAO Supply Dynamics

- TAO's supply-side tokenomics were inspired by Bitcoin, with a total supply of 21 million tokens, and a predetermined halving schedule which occurs approximately every four years. The first halving event is expected to occur in December this year.
- At a price of \$204 per TAO, Bittensor has a circulating market capitalization of \$1.7 billion and a fully diluted valuation of \$4.3 billion.
- Approximately 60% of total TAO supply has not been issued yet. Of the approximate 8.5 million circulating TAO, about 72% has been staked.







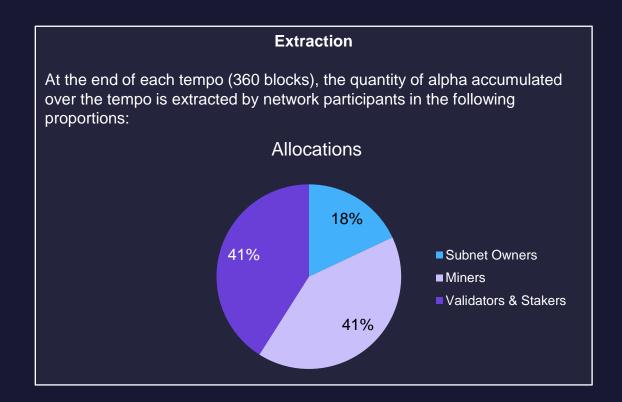
## **Total Emissions**

- Bittensor allocates TAO and Alpha tokens to the network to incentivize productive AI development. Emissions are facilitated via two
  separate phases: Injection and Extraction.
- 7,200 TAO and 14,400 Alpha tokens (per subnet) are emitted daily into subnet TAO and Alpha Reserves (subnet liquidity pools).
   Alpha Reserve injection is capped at 1 Alpha per block to prevent excessive inflation.

#### Injection

There are three components to the Injection phase, where liquidity is added over every block:

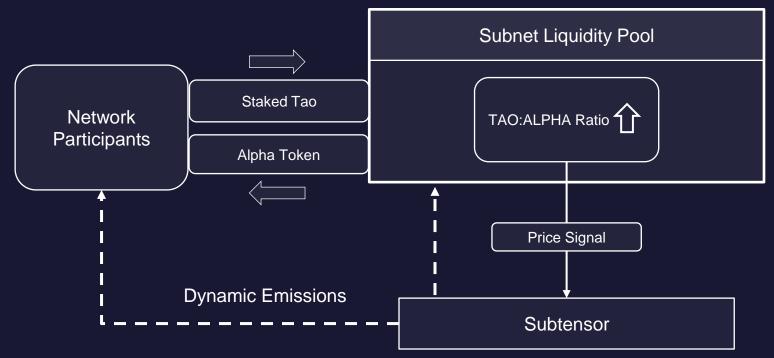
- 1. Tao Reserve Injection TAO is injected to a subnet's TAO reserve in proportion to the price of its alpha token over the sum of prices for all the subnets in Bittensor.
- 2. Alpha Reserve Injection Alpha is injected in proportion to the price of the alpha token so that the growth of a subnet's liquidity pool does not change the price of the alpha token.
- 3. Alpha Outstanding Injection Over every block, liquidity is set aside to the alpha outstanding pool to be emitted to network participants at a rate equal to the alpha emission rate.





# **Dynamic Emissions**

- Although total emissions are fixed, the amount that subnet participants (creators, validators, miners, etc) receive relative to other subnets varies according to Alpha token prices.
- Alpha token prices are a function of how much TAO has been staked to a subnet, providing an easy way to compare subnets against each other.
- If more TAO is staked into a subnet's pool, it indicates that validators are assigning more value to the subnet's outputs and therefore Bittensor should allocate more incentives for enhanced contributions. Conversely, if capital is flowing out of a subnet, its indicative of less valuable outputs, and therefore should be less incentivized.



Source: Bittensor, Fundstrat 27



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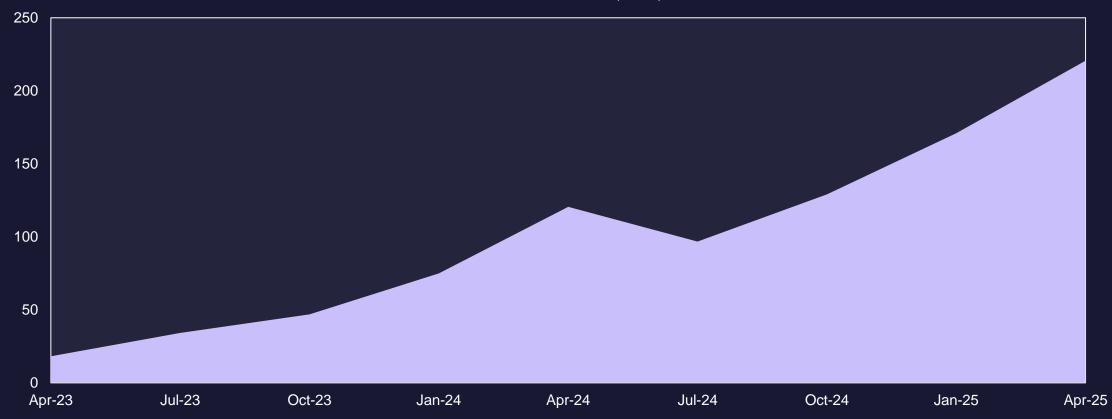
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## **TAO Users**

• Users across the Bittensor network have been steadily rising over the past two years, with total accounts surpassing 200,000. The continued development of new subnets, along with alpha token trading should help accelerate Bittensor adoption.

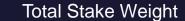


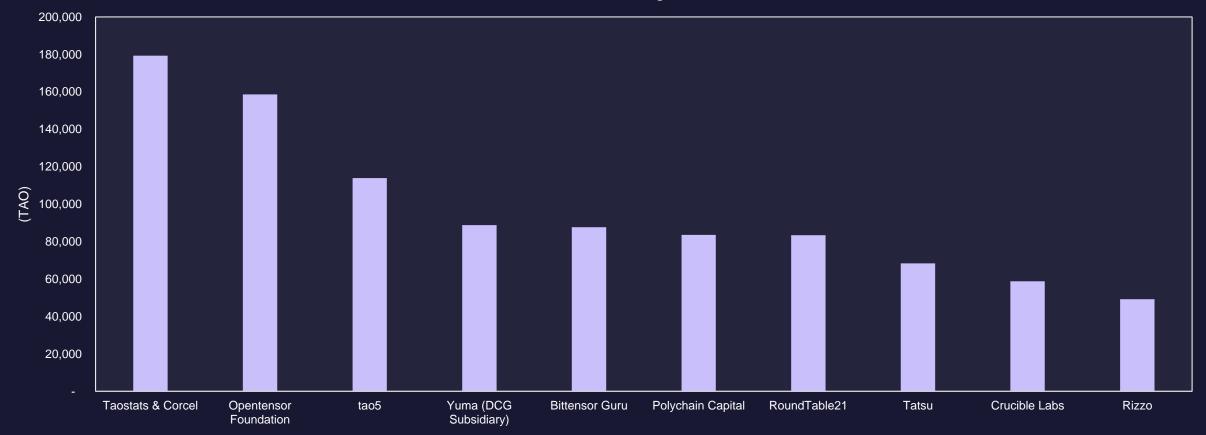




# Top 10 Validators

• Bittensor has some notable large validators including the Opentensor Foundation, Yuma, and Polychain Capital. Multiple companies such as Yuma are fully dedicated to driving development and growth of the Bittensor ecosystem.



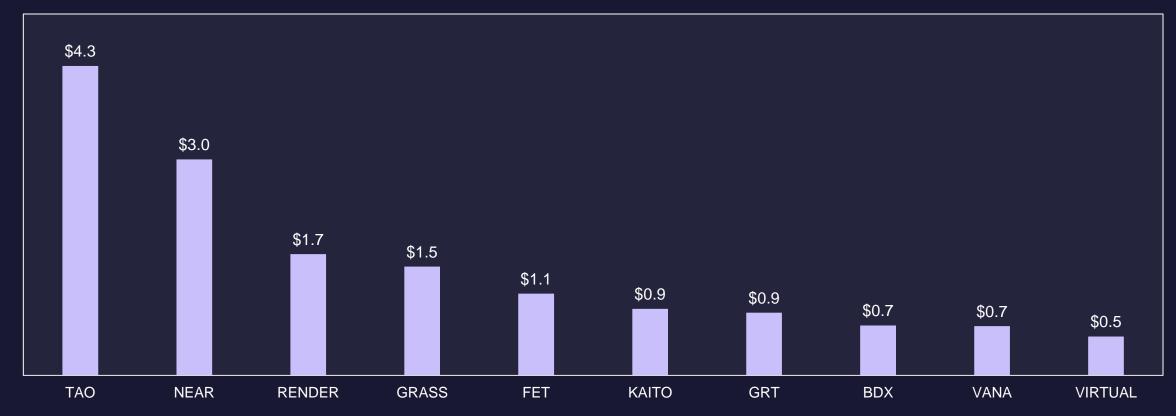




# Crypto x Al

- Bittensor is the largest AI protocol by FDV (\$4.3B) and the second largest by circulating market cap (\$1.7B), only trailing NEAR's \$3.0B.
- Bittensor is uniquely positioned within the AI sector as its credibly neutral scalable design allows it to expand into a variety of subsectors within artificial intelligence, whereas many of the other protocols below are focused on singular use cases.

Top 10 Crypto x Al Protocols by FDV (\$B)

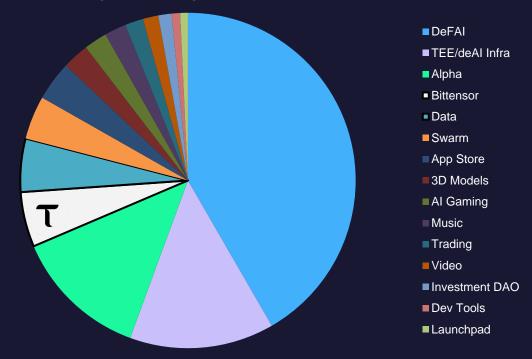




# Agentic Al

- Bittensor is the only protocol on Cookie.fun, an Al agent analytics platform, to warrant its own category. Excluding memes and framework tokens (virtuals, ai16z, arc, etc.) Bittensor agents make over 5% of total agent market cap.
- Only seven out of Bittensor's eighty-two subnets having an Al-Agent-focus, displaying Bittensor's versatility and the scope of what the ecosystem can achieve across all different Al subsectors.







## **TAO Performance**

- Since the Finney upgrade went live in March 2023, TAO has outperformed Ethereum by 167% but has trailed Bitcoin's performance by 26%.
- Investors have witnessed the proliferation of AI over the last two years, and Bittensor provides a unique way to gain broad AI and crypto exposure.



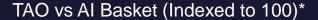


Source: Tradingview as of 4.03.25, FS Insight



## **TAO Performance**

• Examining performance of some of the top AI names in crypto, TAO has outperformed them all over the previous two years, gaining 169% since March 2023.





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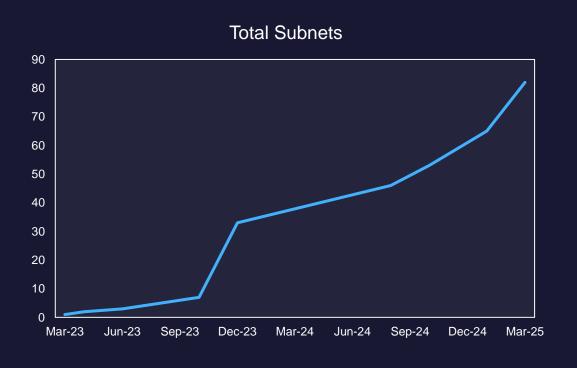
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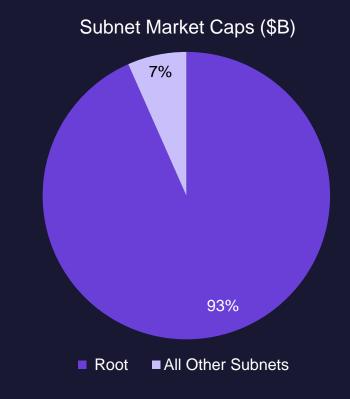
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# Subnet Snapshot

- There are a total of 82 subnets built on Bittensor with a total market capitalization of \$1.66 billion. The Root subnet (SN0), which is used for staking TAO, is the largest subnet and comprises approximately 93% of the total subnet market cap.
- 2024 was a pivotal year for subnet growth, showing an increase in the pace of deployments, and subnets expanding from 32 to 82.







# Subnet Ecosystem Map

# AL Model Development

ΑI	Model Development			
SN	Name	Purpose		
9	Pre-Training	Training Competition		
29	Coldint	Collaborative Training		
39	EdgeMaxxing	Model Optimization		
11	Dippy	Roleyplay LLMs		
21	Omega	Multimodal		
37	Fine-Tuning	Fine-tuning LLMs		
5	Open Kaito	Text Embedding		
35	LogicNet	Math & Data Analysis		
56	Gradients	On-Demand Fine- tuning		
58	Dippy Speech	Text to Speech		

#### **Distributed Training**

SN	Name	Purpose		
38	Distributed Training	Distributed Training		
3	Templar	Distributed Training		

#### Al Data Pipeline

SN	Name	Purpose	
24	Omega Labs	Multimodal Data Collection	
13	Dataverse	Scraping & Storage	
33	ReadyAl	Data Structuring	
40	Chunking	Chunking & RAG	
42	Masa	Data Scraping	
52	Tensorplex Dojo	Human-Generated Data	
64	Chutes	Al Compute	
51	Celium	GPU Compute	

#### Generative Al

SN	Name	Purpose			
2	Omron	ZKP Inference			
17	Three Gen	3D Content			
18	Cortex.t	LLMs / Synthetics			
23	SocialTensor	Image Generation			
26	Storb	Image Generation			
50	Synth	Audio Generation			
46	Neural3D	3D Game Assets			

#### Components & Tooling

SN	Name	Purpose	
47	Condense Al	Token Compression	
31	NAS Chain	Neural Architecture Search	
15	De-Val	LLM Evaluations	
49	Hivetrain	Neural Network Seach	
81	Patrol	Decentralized Palantir	

#### Scientific Research

SN	Name	Purpose	
25	Protein Folding	Protein Folding	
43	Graphite	Algorithmic Optimization	
36	Pyramid Scheme	Cellular Automata	
76	Safe Scan	Cancer Detection	
68	Nova	Drug Discovery	

#### General Infrastructure

SN	Name	Purpose	
16	BitAds	Online Advertising	
7	SubVortex	Bittensor Node Infrastructure	

#### Al Powered Tools

SN	Name	Purpose	
34	BitMind	Deepfake Detection	
61	RedTeam	Cybersecurity	
32	It's Al	Al Text Detection	
53	Efficient Frontier	Trading Strategies	
8	PTN	General Trading Strategies	
14	Paladn	Fraud Detection	
22	Smart-Scrape	Twitter Data Analysis	
54	WebGenieAl	Design-to-code	
44	Score Vision	Sports Analysis	
70	Vericore	Fact Checking	
60	Bitsec	Code Auditing	

#### Model Hosting

SN	Name	Purpose	
4	Targon	Rapid LLM Response	
19	NineteenAl	Distributed Inference	
75	Hippius	Cloud Infrastructure	

#### **Predictive Systems**

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SN	Name	Purpose			
6	Infinite Games	Events			
30	Bettensor	Sports			
41	Sportstensor	ensor Sports			
28	Foundry S&P	S&P 500			
44	Precog	Bitcoin			
48	NextPlace Al Home Prices				
57	Gaia	Geospatial			
79	Taos	Trading Simulation			

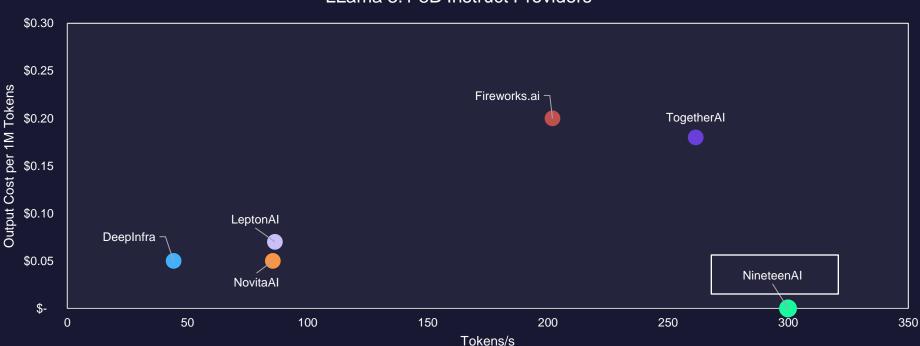
#### Agentic Al

SN	Name	Purpose		
1	Apex	Agentic Workflows		
45	Gen42	Coding Assistant		
62	AgentTAO	SWE Agents		
59	Agent Arena	Agent Benchmark		
20	BitAgent	Personal Assistance		
10	Sturdy	DeFi Yield Optimizer		
60	BitSec	Code Auditing		



## SN19 - Nineteen Al

- SN19 provides optimized inference, offering decentralized access to the top open-source LLMs and image models. SN19 is developed by Rayon Labs, who is also behind SN64 and SN56.
- Miners earn rewards based on the speed and accuracy of inference requests, incentivizing them to host and serve high-demand LLMs and image models. Nineteen has outperformed the industry's top model-as-a-service providers, such as Together.ai and FireworksAI, achieving a 300 tokens/sec for the Llama 3.1 8B model at no cost to users.

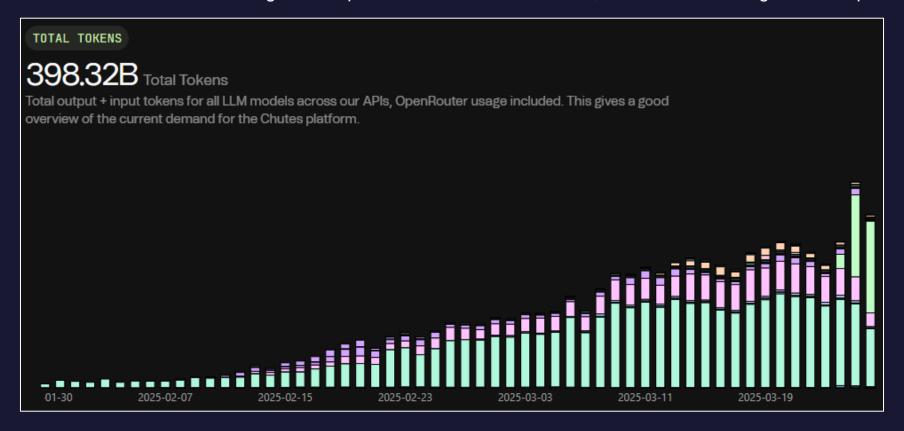


LLama 3.1 8B Instruct Providers



## SN64 - Chutes

- Chutes is a serverless AI compute subnet, allowing for deployment, running, or scaling AI models instantaneously without worrying about GPU infrastructure. Chutes enables enhanced efficiency, customization, and cost efficiency for AI developers through its platform which has over 4,000 GPU nodes.
- Chutes has integrated a large selection of AI models with a variety of code options from Python to cutting-edge LLM fine-tuning
  options. Chutes was one of the first to integrate DeepSeek's latest V3-0324 model, which boosted usage over the past few days.

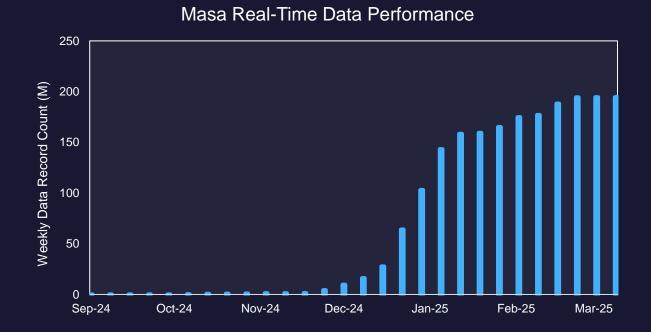


Source: Chutes, FS Insight 39



## SN42 – Masa Network

- Masa Network is a decentralized AI network incentivizing data contributions. Miners earn rewards by scraping data or providing compute services.
- Masa provides real-time and static, structured, annotated, and vectorized data from sources including Twitter, Discord, Telegram,
   TikTok, and more. All data sets can be used to optimize Al agents, LLMs, and Al applications, all accessible via API.
- Masa is also developing SN59 Agent Arena, where AI agents battle for emissions based on engagement scores on X. Agents can integrate real-time data from Masa's free Twitter API to become more contextually aware and boost their scores.



Twitter API Tiers				
Free Basic Pro Enterprise				
Price	Free	\$100 / Mo	\$5,000 / Mo	\$42,000 / Mo
Post Limits	1,500	3,000	300,000	50+ Million

#### Masa API - \$0.00 / Mo

End-to-end enterprise grade API – Real time data scraping and all data in AI ready format.



## SN41- Celium

- Celium is a peer-to-peer compute marketplace, delivering high-performance GPUs at prices far below those of traditional providers.
- Celium's platform provides real-time insights into GPU usage, helping developers monitor and optimize resource allocation for maximum efficiency and cost-effectiveness.

100+ Available GPUs

Hard-to-find GPUs

Access to the latest and highest-demand GPUs instantly, with an easy to manage platform for finding GPUs for client needs.

100% Uptime

Only GPUs that remain active and meet Celium's high performance standards remain available on the platform. Any GPUs with less than 100% uptime are automatically removed, ensuring extreme reliability.

GPU Prices					
	Celium	Runpod	Paperspace	Coreweave	
H100	\$1.35 / hr	\$3.29 / hr	\$5.95 / hr	\$4.76 / hr	
A100	\$0.95 / hr	\$1.89 / hr	\$3.18 / hr	\$2.21 / hr	
RTX A6000	\$0.38 / hr	\$0.69 / hr	\$1.89 / hr	\$1.28 / hr	
RTX 4090	\$0.35 / hr	\$0.69 / hr	-	-	
RTX 3090	\$0.22 / hr	\$0.43 / hr	-	-	

Source: Celium, FS Insight 41



# SN8 – Proprietary Trading Network (PTN)

- Taoshi's PTN is at the forefront of innovation, merging cutting-edge decentralized technology with sophisticated trading strategies.
   By harnessing AI with the combined expertise of data scientists, traders, and machine learning teams, PTN creates a unique synergy between decentralized AI and quantitative strategies, empowering users to navigate financial markets with confidence.
- Miners contribute signals across financial markets, available for purchase on Taoshi's Request Network. PTN is a first of its kind
  decentralized prop firm, offering unparalleled benefits for both miners and users. Miners receive incentives immediately after signals
  are provided, and users receive highly performant institutional grade insights, reduce overhead, enhance trading performance.

Top 10 Profitable Miners				
Miner Rank	Miner Address	Annualized 90D Return	Sharpe	Sortino
1	5GZRzpXo97cZVshHAUCpBGxavG7PCJXti13vjQhX77vjrXhH	14.4%	6.22	10.18
2	5CyzSyxxCn1CFiSAn7rfYsRoiqHTR2623137if4fQZnwYJ7f	10.6%	3.28	6.43
3	5CcNVDt7YLa8YbyUJxS7TZ9y5gsR3qNq3rbKGU6B4A4H541W	22.8%	3.77	7.20
4	5DswH2LoRwivzv37tGvo27XJjDvFpff2fhu5T8LHsfXmFS5u	17.0%	6.41	12.83
5	5DCaKgSaNxvTdy3kRBRA1BSpdRLs4YDstUsZmmS6HbDGt3eK	11.1%	3.10	4.77
6	5CktpCybceQN8BZCX9ahyHMbSMYsDEB7F3RrMHZ4LK6nPwG9	34.0%	2.21	4.97
7	5Cz4ETkXaZFjTxDLJuZiP9eyZbr7SrEjRwQCT3hLNyjCZLV1	19.7%	2.33	3.29
8	5FRpp1he5F1Z5wc7CVNfepoajXinwNAZAxh1RC4pEbQXj8n9	8.6%	2.00	2.60
9	5HVnqF3ibfVedMPgVUDxJ2CTabu9metpXv6PtbtohBoD7gCb	36.3%	2.18	6.17
10	5EsqVEf6z7Z1zs3A27HUjmVWh4Yd2KrFQKFndUFEGAN9u48t	18.1%	2.75	3.64



Source: Taoshi, FS Insight 42



# SN41- Sportstensor

- Sportstensor is an institutional-grade sports predictions platform operating through the world's first decentralized intelligence network. The Sportstensor Meta Model (STMM) is Sportstensor's advanced ensemble architecture that aggregates predictive outputs from top-performing miners across each league on SN41.
- Utilizing a dynamic weighting algorithm, the system evaluates historical accuracy and calibration metrics to synthesize consensus win probabilities. Sportstensor's STMM models has significantly outperformed the NBA market over the last three months.



Source: Sportstensor, FS Insight



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# Developer Talent & Bittensor DeFi

- Traditionally, the problem with open-source development has been the inability for developers to fund their work and coordinate
  contributions. Bittensor's economic model aligns incentives between developers and the overall ecosystem, leading to a coordinated
  effort in creating useful AI services.
- As subnet development continues to grow and services or products improve, incentives should continue flowing to developers who are constantly innovating, potentially igniting a flywheel of attracting top-tier developer talent who want their share of incentives.
- Full EVM compatibility is now available on Subtensor, opening the door to a larger crypto-native developer base and for out-of-the-box application deployments. A Bittensor defi ecosystem could develop with unique innovations such as revenue share agreements between miners facilitated via smart contracts or TAO/Alpha liquid staking protocols.

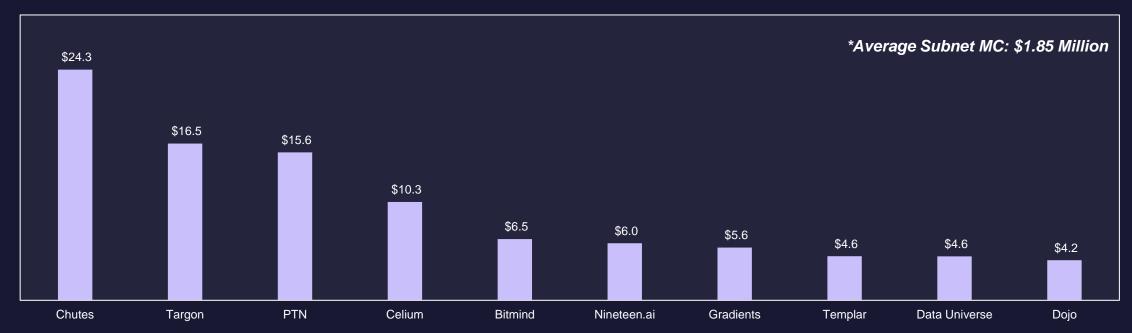




# Alpha Tokens Provide Venture-Like Risk Profiles

- Excluding SN0, the average market cap across alpha tokens is \$1.85 million, with Chutes being the largest at \$24.3 million. Alpha tokens are extremely cheap compared to public or private centralized AI companies.
- Venture-like investors may focus their attention on the Bittensor ecosystem, fundamentally valuing subnets to find cheap exposure to innovative AI products.
- Bittensor also has a competitive advantage in quickly launching specialized subnets to meet new use cases, potentially providing a liquid and accessible way to be early to cutting edge technology.



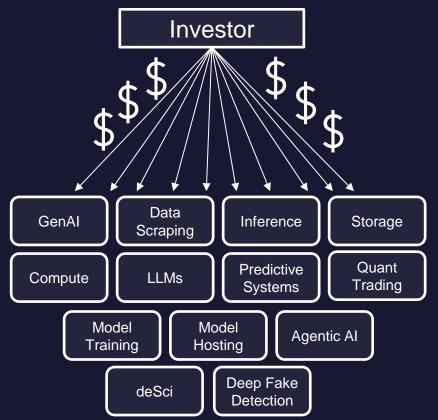


Source: Taostats 3.26.25, FS Insight



# TAO Encompasses the Whole AI Stack

- The gateway to the Bittensor ecosystem flows through the TAO token with participants needing TAO before being able to access
  alpha tokens. For those not interested in making individual subnet bets, TAO may become the best way to gain broad AI exposure.
- Most subnets have yet to introduce monetization methods, but if products can find meaningful traction, profits can be distributed to
   TAO and Alpha holders, initiating an entirely new incentive stream that would only stimulate the Bittensor ecosystem further.







#### **Investment Thesis**

- TAO addresses the coordination and monetization challenges inherent in open-source development. As a novel mechanism for
  incentivizing AI contributions, Bittensor is well-positioned to attract a vibrant developer base, accelerate AI innovation, and expand
  growth across its subnet ecosystem.
- As the ecosystem expands, Bittensor's protocol mechanics generate structural demand for the TAO token. Increased subnet
  deployments fuel demand through registration fees and competition for validator and miner slots, creating buying pressure for TAO.
- From an investment standpoint, TAO serves as the gateway to the Bittensor ecosystem, providing unique exposure to a diversified AI ecosystem through a single investment vehicle. For more venture-oriented investors, purchasing TAO is a prerequisite to investing in individual subnet tokens.
- As AI becomes increasingly politicized and central to geopolitical competition, accessibility restrictions across borders may emerge for both users and developers, underscoring the importance of a permissionless global alternative. While Bittensor still possesses elements of centralization, its long-term vision is to evolve into a decentralized, credibly neutral network for AI development.
- **Bottom Line:** TAO offers investors a unique opportunity to gain diversified exposure to open-source AI development through a single asset, with built-in demand drivers, exposure to nascent subnet projects, and alignment with a long-term vision of creating a permissionless, credibly neutral AI network.



# **TAO Illustrative Valuations**

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Price: \$204 FDV: \$4.3B

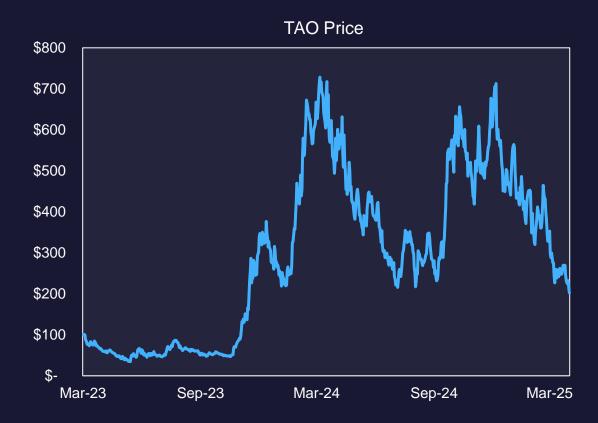
	Company	Funding	Valuation	Equivalent TAO Price	Multiple From Current Price
M	Mistral Al	\$1.2B	\$6.5B	\$310	1.5x
类	Perplexity*	\$0.5-\$1B	\$18B	\$857	4.2x
<b>CW</b>	Coreweave	\$13.5B	\$23B	\$1,095	5.4x
M	xAl	\$12B	\$50B	\$2,381	11.7x
A	Anthropic	\$16B	\$62B	\$2,952	14.5x
	Databricks	\$18.6B	\$62B	\$2,952	14.5x
	OpenAl	\$24B	\$300B	\$14,286	70.0x

<sup>\*</sup>Estimated funding and valuation



# Grayscale Bittensor Trust

- Grayscale Bittensor Trust (the "Trust") is one of the first investment vehicles that enables investors to gain exposure TAO, the
  underlying token of the Bittensor Network, in the form of a security while avoiding the challenges of buying, storing, and safekeeping
  Bittensor directly.
- The Grayscale Bittensor Trust is designed to track the Bittensor market price, less fees and expenses. To invest or learn more, please direct inquiries to info@grayscale.com.



Ticker	N/A
Investment Objective	Shares reflect the value of the TAO held by the Trust, less expenses and other liabilities
Inception Date	6/10/2024
Subscriptions	Daily
Sponsor	Grayscale Investments Sponsors, LLC
Legal Counsel	David Polk & Wardwell LLP
Auditor	KPMG LLP
CUSIP	38963B 100
ISIN	US38963B1008
AUM*	\$4.44M
NAV Per Share*	\$3.87
Minimum Investment	\$25,000
Sponsor Fee	2.5% Annually
Secondary Trading	Following a one-year holding period, Grayscale intends to attempt to have Shares of new products quoted on a secondary market. However, there is no guarantee that we will be successful.
Private Placement	Available for Accredited Investors
IRA Eligibility	Shares are eligible to be held in certain IRA, Roth IRA, and other brokerage and investor accounts.
Redemptions	Redemptions of Shares are not currently authorized.
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## Risks

- The Bittensor ecosystem is primarily driven by emissions of TAO and Alpha tokens. Roughly \$2 million worth of TAO is distributed
  daily, creating persistent sell pressure and weighing on price in the short term. A halving event scheduled for December should
  help reduce this pressure, but meaningful emissions will remain a structural headwind for the foreseeable future.
- While Bittensor's economic model addresses key pain points in open-source development, large and well-capitalized tech
  companies continue to benefit from superior hardware, deeper developer pools, and access to proprietary datasets, potentially
  giving them an edge in scaling AI.
- Subnets have shown early signs of technological promise, but without meaningful monetization, confidence in the broader ecosystem and the TAO token could erode. We believe the TAO ecosystem must establish a clear path to revenue generation, with mechanisms to pass fees on to miners and validators. Without this, TAO may face continued downward pressure.
- Bittensor's long-term strategic goal is to become a credibly neutral AI development tool. While Bittensor may move to further
  decentralize the network in the future, there are centralization risks in its current state. The OpenTensor foundation is the sole party
  responsible for validating blocks on Subtensor. Additionally, the top 10 largest subnet validators comprise about 67% of total
  network stake weight, with OpenTensor also making up 11%.
- Like many early-stage crypto projects, Bittensor still faces significant technological risk. While diversification can mitigate the
  impact of isolated incidents, the risk to investors remains. Crypto assets are inherently high-risk and continue to exhibit strong
  correlation to the broader macroeconomic backdrop. Any shifts in global growth or inflation that could weigh on risk assets may
  negatively affect TAO price.



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