## MORTGAGE RATE WATCH

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A message from Nickolas Inhelder:

## We Make Home Happen.™

Our goal is simple:

To help every family we serve get to "Yes."

**Yes** to the loan that unlocks the joy of home ownership.

**Yes** to the lending solution that meets every client's unique needs and wants.

That's why we dedicate our every resource to serve as your personal guide through the lending process, solving problems, building confidence. Aslan has access to every lending option leading to the purchase or refinance of a residential home loan.

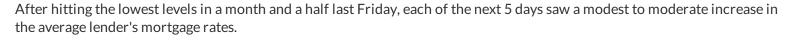
This is more than work for us. It is our unique joy in this life to share our collective skill, creativity, and care to bring you and your family right to where you belong.

Let's make home happen.

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## Mortgage Rates Rise For 5th Straight Day

There's no easy way to say it: it was a bad week for mortgage rates. Actually, it was a bad week for interest rates in general and mortgage rates typically follow the rest of the rate market.



But why?

Rates are tied to the bond market. Movement in bonds dictates what mortgage lenders can offer. Bonds can move for multiple reasons, but if we could only ever consider one input, it would be the broad category of "economic data."

That's what makes this week frustrating. Economic data arguably didn't suggest the type of damage we ended up seeing. Unfortunately, once we move past economic data, rate motivations become much less obvious and much harder to discuss without esoteric bond market jargon.

Suffice it to say that there are factors beyond the domestic economy that have traders shifting their bond holdings. Some of those have to do with end-of-year requirements for financial statements. Some are more focused on getting into position to react to next week's Fed rate announcement on Wednesday. At that point, we'll either see some reprieve, or an acceleration of the recent momentum.



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