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MBS Recap: Broad, Negative Momentum is Masking Normal Market Movers



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MBS Recap Matthew Graham | 4:44 PM

Tuesday featured a much weaker PPI report that failed to inspire any lasting rally in the bond market. While there were a few ways to reconcile that specific turn of events by examining the internal components of the data, it's also true that bond market momentum has been broadly negative recently. At times like this, data has to work harder if it wants to push rates lower. It can even seem like rates move higher whether the data is good or bad. Today's recap video includes an in-depth assessment of this phenomenon. Long story short, things are still mostly logical, as long as we're considering all the pieces on the board.



Update

8:35 AM Moderate Gains After Sharply Lower PPI

MBS Morning

12:02 PM Why Isn't PPI Helping Bonds This Morning?

Econ Data / Events

- ○ Core PPI M/M
 - 0.0 vs 0.3 f'cast, 0.2 prev
 - Core PPI Y/Y
 - 3.5 vs 3.8 f'cast, 3.5 prev

Market Movement Recap

08:42 AM initial gains after PPI, but mostly reversed now. MBS unchanged and 10yr down less than half a bp at 4.781

12:15 PM MBS unchanged and 10yr up 1.5bps at 4.798

03:04 PM nearly unchanged at the close. MBS up 1 tick (.03) and 10yr unchanged at 4.783

Lock / Float Considerations

Strong jobs report reinvigorates the upward trend in rates. The upcoming CPI data can take the pain to the next level or help create some support. In general, this is a lock-biased environment until such time as the data takes a cohesive and decisive turn in a rate-friendly direction. That's not to say there won't be pockets of short-term opportunities, but capitalizing on them would involve luck rather than strategy.

Technicals/Trends in 10yr (why 10yr)

- Ceiling/Support (can be used as "lock triggers")

- 0 4.88
- o 4.80
- 0 4.74
- o 4.67
- Floor/Resistance
 - o 4.43
 - o 4.50
 - o 4.57

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MR2		
30YR UMBS 6.0	+	
30YR UMBS 6.5	+	
30YR GNMA 6.0		
15YR UMBS-15 5.0		

US Treasuries		
10 YR	4.792%	+0.009%
2 YR	4.369%	-0.017%
30 YR	4.977%	+0.025%
5 YR	4.598%	-0.003%

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