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MBS Recap: Bonds Turn Green After Econ Data and Treasury Auction



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MBS Recap | Matthew Graham | 4:26 PM

Bonds began the day in slightly weaker territory as yields continue to drift inside the narrow post-Fed range. The absence of big-ticket econ data is a key reason for the lack of volatility. But the lower-tier econ data can still move the needle as evidenced by this morning's NY Fed Survey of Consumer Expectations. The survey showed a slight deterioration in attitudes about the labor market. Bonds moved into stronger territory after that and went on to hit the day's best levels shortly after a well-received 3yr Treasury auction.





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MBS Morning

11:38 AM Early Gains Erase Overnight Weakness

4:06 PM

Econ Data / Events

- ○ ISM Biz Activity (Sep)
 - 49.9 vs 51.8 f'cast, 55 prev
- ISM N-Mfg PMI (Sep)
 - 50.0 vs 51.7 f'cast, 52.0 prev
- ISM Services Employment (Sep)
 - 47.2 vs -- f'cast, 46.5 prev
- ISM Services New Orders (Sep)
 - 50.4 vs -- f'cast, 56.0 prev
- ISM Services Prices (Sep)
 - 69.4 vs -- f'cast, 69.2 prev

Market Movement Recap

- 10:38 AM Modestly weaker overnight, but moving into positive territory now. MBS up 1 tick (.03) and 10yr down 0.4bps at 4.142
- 11:56 AM Gains continue. MBS up 3 ticks (.09) and 10yr down 2.7bps at 4.121
- 02:43 PM Temporary gains after strong 3yr auction, but back to pre-auction levels now. MBS up 2 ticks (.06) and 10yr down 2.3bps at 4.125

Lock / Float Considerations

- Risk/reward surround the lock/float decision remains muted during the government shutdown. In terms of trends and outright levels, the modest rally to the lowest rates in more than 2 weeks presents a compelling lock opportunity for risk-averse clients. The risk tolerant crowd is still waiting to see when the jobs report comes out (as long as bonds don't lose too much ground between now and then).

Technicals/Trends in 10yr (why 10yr)

- **Ceiling/Support** (can be used as "lock triggers")
 - o 4.48
 - o 4.40
 - o 4.34
 - o 4.28
 - o 4.19
- **Floor/Resistance**
 - o 3.89
 - o 3.99
 - o 4.05
 - o 4.12

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MBS

30YR UMBS 5.0	+
30YR UMBS 5.5	+
30YR GNMA 5.0	+

US Treasuries		
10 YR	4.128%	-0.020%
2 YR	3.572%	-0.015%
30 YR	4.727%	-0.022%
5 YR	3.707%	-0.025%

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