

Holiday Week Volatility With Zero Consequence

Market Summary: Friday, November 28, 2025 - 8:48AM

Although there was a brief negative reaction to this morning's economic data, the impact was minimal. Random holiday-week volatility accounted for bigger swings, but those swings ultimately canceled each other out. By the 3pm close, bonds were close enough to unchanged levels. That makes today truly forgettable in the bigger picture. Trading doesn't get real/serious again until December. NOTE: Friday is technically open until 2pm ET, but as is our custom, we will only publish commentary on an "as-needed" basis (i.e. if the movement is minimal, you won't hear from us until Monday).

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UMBS 5.0	99.81	-0.05	10YR	3.997%	+0.001%	11/28/2025 8:47AM EST
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Stronger Data. Weaker Start For Bonds

Bonds were just slightly weaker overnight but are losing more ground in early trading. The culprit: both of this morning's 8:30am ET economic releases. Jobless Claims data is probably the bigger deal as it continues to show no signs of labor market distress (216k vs 225k f'cast). The other report, Durable Goods, is more stale (pre-shutdown), but was also clearly upbeat with the core cap-ex figure coming in at a robust 0.9% vs 0.2% f'cast. The resulting sell-off in bonds is minimal but not massive. 10yr yields are up only 2.5bps at 4.021 and MBS are down less than an eighth.

MBS MORNING: 10yr Flirting With 4.0%, But Not Because of Data

MBS MORNING: Bonds Inch to Best Levels in Over 3 Weeks

Today's Mortgage Rates

30YR Fixed	6.22%	+0.02%	15YR Fixed	5.78%	+0.03%	11/26/2025
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Mortgage Rates Slightly Higher, But Remain Near Long-Term Lows

Wednesday was far less eventful than the first two days of the week as far as were concerned. The average lender raised rates just a hair, but apart from yesterday, these are the lowest levels in a month and very close to the lowest levels in more than 3 years.

Bond markets and mortgage lenders will be closed tomorrow for Thanksgiving. While Friday is technically open, 9 times out of 10, it may as well not be. In other words, the Friday after Thanksgiving rarely sees any meaningful movement in mortgage rates or the underlying bond market.

Economic Calendar

Last Week | This Week | Next Week

Time	Event	Actual	Forecast	Prior
Friday, Nov 28				
2:00PM	Day After Thanksgiving ★★			
Monday, Dec 01				
9:45AM	Nov S&P Global Manuf. PMI ☆		51.9	52.5
10:00AM	Sep Construction spending (%)		-0.1%	0.2%
10:00AM	Nov ISM Manufacturing Employment			46.0
10:00AM	Nov ISM Mfg Prices Paid ★			58.0
10:00AM	Oct Construction spending (%)			
10:00AM	Nov ISM Manufacturing PMI ★★			48.7
8:00PM	Fed Chair Powell Speech ☆			

Recent Housing News

- Conforming Loan Limit Rises to \$832,750 Amid Lowest Home Price Growth Since 2012
- Small Steps Higher, Same Stubbornly Low Territory for Existing Home Sales
- Rising Rates Pull Applications Lower, but Year-Over-Year Gains Hold Firm

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Jobs Report and Stock Losses Help Rates Hold The Range

This week marked the return of delayed economic data from the government shutdown. Specifically, we received the important jobs report that was set to come out in early October. While this is September's data, and thus a bit stale, it was nonetheless responsible for the biggest volume spike in the bond market since the last Fed meeting. Such is the power of the jobs report relative to other econom...

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