Market Summary

Complete Recap of Today's Market Activity

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Market Summary: Monday, December 29, 2025 - 12:53PM

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Market Movement Recap

10:12 AM Modestly stronger overnight and holding sideways so far. MBS up 2 ticks (.06) and

10yr down 1.6bps at 4.117



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Bonds End Unchanged After Another Quiet Session

MBS & Treasury Markets

UMBS 5.0 99.92 +0.07

10YR 4.114% -0.019% 12/29/2025 12:52PM EST

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ALERT: MBS Down an Eighth From Highs

MBS MORNING: Technically Open, But Unofficially Still a Holiday Trading Session

Today's Mortgage Rates

30YR Fixed 6.19% -0.01% **15YR Fixed** 5.74% +0.00% 12/29/202

Mortgage Rates Match 2-Month Lows

Because are determined by the bond market, a boring market day typically translates to a boring mortgage rate day. But that's not entirely true today.

While the level of movement is indeed very small, it only took a small movement to get the average 30yr fixed rate down to their lowest levels since the end of October.

Next week should be another slow one for rates, but things should pick up progressively as 2026 gets underway.

Economic Calendar Last Week This Week Next Week

Time	Event	Actual	Forecast	Prior
Monday, Dec 29				
10:00AM	Nov Pending Home Sales (%) ☆	3.3%	1%	1.9%
10:30AM	Dec/19 Crude Oil Inventory (ml)		-2.4M	-1.274M
Tuesday, Dec 30				
8:15AM	ADP Employment Change Weekly			
9:00AM	Oct CaseShiller 20 mm nsa (%)			-0.5%
9:00AM	Oct FHFA Home Price Index m/m (%)		0.1%	0%
9:00AM	Oct Case Shiller Home Prices-20 y/y (%) 🜣		1.1%	1.4%
9:00AM	Oct FHFA Home Prices y/y (%) 🏠			1.7%
9:45AM	Dec Chicago PMI ☆		39.5	36.3
2:00PM	FOMC Minutes			

Recent Housing News

- Highest Existing Home Sales in 8 Months But Don't Get Excited
- Three Straight Months of Improvement in Builder Confidence, But There's a Catch
- Mortgage Apps Still Strong vs Last Year, But Down Slightly Last Week

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Mortgage Market in Holiday Mode Despite Big-Ticket Data

The two most important economic reports of the month were released this week. Both showed promising results for rates, and although rates improved, the reaction was smaller than expected. First up was November's jobs report, which came out on Tuesday morning. It showed the highest unemployment rate since 2021 at 4.6%--well above the 4.4% forecast. Under normal circumstances, this woul...

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