

MARKET SUMMARY

Complete Recap of Today's Market Activity

Ending Near Unchanged Levels After Early Head Fake

Market Summary: Tuesday, January 6, 2026 - 6:22PM

Trading volumes confirm that bonds are 100% back in action, but after this morning's selling pressure proved to be a head fake, that volume hasn't translated to any meaningful momentum. This isn't too hard to accept considering the absence of big-ticket econ data. Things change on Wednesday with the release of ADP, JOLTS, and ISM. This is our first chance to see some actual data-driven volatility in several weeks.

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Flat Ending After Early Head Fake



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UMBS 5.0 99.76 -0.05 | 10YR 4.172% +0.009% 1/6/2026 5:00PM EST

Weakest Levels and Some Reprice Risk

Bonds have been selling a bit quicker in the past hour as Trump talks about increased defense spending (Treasury issuance implications).

10yr yields are still in the range, but up 2.7bps at 4.19.

MBS are down 5 ticks (.16) on the day and an eighth of a point from many lenders' rate sheet print times. Jumpier lenders could be considering reprices.

MBS MORNING: Volume is Back. Still Waiting on Volatility

MBS MORNING: Bonds Are Back in The Office

Today's Mortgage Rates

30YR Fixed 6.20% +0.01% | 15YR Fixed 5.74% +0.00% 1/6/2026

Mortgage Rates Barely Budge, But Volatility Risk is Increasing

have been effectively unchanged for 5 straight days now. During that time, the MND 30yr fixed rate index hasn't moved by more than 0.01%. The average borrower would see almost exactly the same terms on any of these days.

The absence of volatility isn't much of a surprise given the time of year and the lack of important economic data. But that changes tomorrow with the release of two labor market reports and ISM's service sector report.

Individually, none of these are as heavy hitting as Friday's forthcoming jobs report, but if they all sing a similar tune, it could definitely get rates moving (for better or worse). Specifically, if the data is stronger, it would likely push rates higher and vice versa.

Time	Event	Actual	Forecast	Prior
Tuesday, Jan 06				
9:20AM	NY Fed Bill Purchases 1 to 4 months (%)		\$8.165 million	
9:45AM	Dec S&P Global Services PMI ☆	52.5	52.9	54.1
9:45AM	Dec S&P Global Composite PMI ☆	52.7	53.0	54.2
Wednesday, Jan 07				
7:00AM	Dec/26 Mortgage Market Index	269.9		299.8
7:00AM	Dec/26 MBA Purchase Index	169.8		169.9
7:00AM	Dec/26 MBA Refi Index	872.1		1084.3
7:00AM	Jan/02 MBA Refi Index	937		872.1
7:00AM	Jan/02 MBA Purchase Index	159.3		169.8
7:00AM	Jan/02 Mortgage Market Index	270.8		269.9
8:15AM	Dec ADP jobs (k) ☆	41K	47K	-32K
10:00AM	Oct Factory orders mm (%)	-1.3%	-1.2%	0.2%
10:00AM	Dec ISM Biz Activity ☆	56.0		54.5
10:00AM	Dec ISM Services Prices ☆	64.3		65.4
10:00AM	Dec ISM Services New Orders ☆	57.9		52.9
10:00AM	Dec ISM Services Employment ☆	52.0		48.9
10:00AM	Nov JOLTs Job Quits (ml) ☆	3.161M		2.941M
10:00AM	Nov USA JOLTS Job Openings (ml) ★	7.146M	7.60M	7.670M
10:00AM	Dec ISM N-Mfg PMI ★★	54.4	52.3	52.6
10:30AM	Jan/02 Crude Oil Inventory (ml)	-3.831M	1.1M	-1.934M

Recent Housing News

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- 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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