

# MARKET SUMMARY

Complete Recap of Today's Market Activity

## Calm Start Even if Modestly Weaker

Market Summary: Tuesday, February 17, 2026 - 9:02PM

The day before and/or after a 3-day weekend is more volatile than the average weekend-adjacent trading day. Last Friday fit that bill but today could have been mistaken for a summertime Monday (despite being a wintertime Tuesday). There were no significant reports and the available Fed comments weren't actionable. After nearly touching 4.0% in the overnight session, 10yr yields climbed slowly to 4.06 by 10am and then held mostly sideways through the close. Considering the scope of last week's rally, a "mostly sideways" day is a victory. On a cautionary note, the absence of follow-through and the overnight bounce underscore resistance potential near present levels.

### Market Movement Recap

08:43 AM Modestly stronger overnight. MBS up 1 tick (.03) and 10yr down 1.4bps at 4.036

11:20 AM weaker in the early trading. MBS down 1 tick (.03) and 10yr up 0.7bps at 4.055

01:33 PM Weakest levels. MBS down 2 ticks (.06) and 10yr up 1bp at 4.058

04:26 PM heading out fairly flat. MBS down 1 tick (.03) and 10yr up 1.1bps at 4.059

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|----------|--------|------|------|--------|---------|----------------------|
| UMBS 5.0 | 100.28 | 0.00 | 10YR | 4.059% | -0.001% | 2/17/2026 9:01PM EST |
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Weakest Levels of The Day

MBS are down 6 ticks (.19) from the AM highs. This is typically more than enough for negative reprices, but the caveat is that those highs only lasted about an hour and most lenders didn't publish rates during that time.

As such, the average lender is only seeing about 3 ticks (.09) of weakness, thus making negative reprices less of a risk.

Nonetheless, bonds are at their weakest levels and 10yr yields are up 1bp at 4.058.

- MBS MORNING: Mostly Holding Last Week's Impressive Gains
- MBS MORNING: Bonds Rally, Ignoring Surge in SuperCore CPI

Today's Mortgage Rates

|            |       |        |            |       |        |           |
|------------|-------|--------|------------|-------|--------|-----------|
| 30YR Fixed | 6.04% | +0.00% | 15YR Fixed | 5.61% | +0.00% | 2/17/2026 |
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Mortgage Rates Stay Flat to Start New Week

It was an uneventful day for with the average lender holding right in line with last Friday's levels. In this case, that's a good thing.

On the day before and/or after a 3-day weekend, rates tend to be more volatile than normal. That was certainly the case last Friday as the MND rate index dropped at its fastest pace since early January. By holding steady, rates remain right in line with the lowest levels in more than 3 years.

| Time              | Event                             | Actual | Forecast | Prior  |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| Tuesday, Feb 17   |                                   |        |          |        |
| 8:15AM            | ADP Employment Change Weekly ★★   | 10.25K |          | 6.5K   |
| 8:30AM            | Feb NY Fed Manufacturing ☆        | 7.10   | 7        | 7.70   |
| 10:00AM           | Feb NAHB housing market indx      | 36     | 38       | 37     |
| 12:45PM           | Fed Barr Speech ☆                 |        |          |        |
| 2:30PM            | Fed Daly Speech ☆                 |        |          |        |
| Wednesday, Feb 18 |                                   |        |          |        |
| 12:00AM           | Roll Date - Ginnie Mae 30YR       |        |          |        |
| 7:00AM            | Feb/13 MBA Purchase Index         |        |          | 161.5  |
| 7:00AM            | Feb/13 MBA Refi Index             |        |          | 1284.6 |
| 7:00AM            | Feb/13 Mortgage Market Index      |        |          | 329.9  |
| 8:30AM            | Dec Housing starts number mm (ml) |        | 1.33M    |        |
| 8:30AM            | Dec Durable goods (%) ☆           |        | -2%      | 5.3%   |
| 8:30AM            | Dec Core CapEx (%) ☆              |        | 0.5%     | 0.7%   |
| 9:15AM            | Jan Industrial Production (%) ☆   |        | 0.4%     | 0.4%   |
| 1:00PM            | 20-Yr Bond Auction (bl)           |        | 16       |        |
| 1:00PM            | Fed Bowman Speech ☆               |        |          |        |
| 2:00PM            | FOMC Minutes ★★                   |        |          |        |

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Mortgage Rates Back Near 3-Year Lows After Defying Jobs Data

The bond market drives changes in interest rates. Among bond traders, it's no secret that the Bureau of Labor Statistics' (BLS) jobs report is the most consequential monthly economic data. But this time around, the reaction defied expectations. Specifically, if you were to tell market participants the results ahead of time (i.e. 130k jobs created versus a forecast of 70k, and a 4.3% unemployem...

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