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Market Summary: Wednesday, August 12, 2026 - 10:06AM

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### Latest Video Analysis



Bonds Looking Somewhat Optimistic Ahead of CPI

### MBS & Treasury Markets

|          |       |       |      |        |         |                      |
|----------|-------|-------|------|--------|---------|----------------------|
| UMBS 5.5 | 99.34 | +0.14 | 10YR | 4.663% | -0.029% | 8/12/2026 8:04AM EST |
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**ALERT:** Negative Reprice Risk Increasing Just a Bit More



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Today's Mortgage Rates

|            |       |        |            |       |        |           |
|------------|-------|--------|------------|-------|--------|-----------|
| 30YR Fixed | 6.79% | -0.01% | 15YR Fixed | 6.28% | -0.01% | 8/11/2026 |
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Mortgage Rates Sideways to Slightly Higher

It ended up being a remarkably uneventful day for . Some lenders were slightly higher than yesterday. Others were roughly unchanged. The difference came down to whether the lender in question raised rates yesterday afternoon.

What does this mean? Lenders prefer to set rates once per day around 10am ET. But if the underlying bond market makes a big enough move, lenders can change rates during the day. Bonds lost just enough ground yesterday for some lenders to raise rates. Contrast that to today where virtually every lender maintained the same levels throughout.

Tomorrow morning brings the latest release of the Consumer Price Index (CPI). This is one of the most important pieces of monthly economic data as far as rates are concerned. There's no way to know how it will impact rates ahead of time--only that a large deviation from expectations is likely to result in a larger-than-average move higher or lower.

| Time              | Event                           | Actual  | Forecast | Prior   |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------|----------|---------|
| Wednesday, Aug 12 |                                 |         |          |         |
| 12:00AM           | Roll Date - UMBS 30YR           |         |          |         |
| 7:00AM            | Aug/07 MBA Refi Index           | 744.4   |          | 709.1   |
| 7:00AM            | Aug/07 Mortgage Market Index    | 248.6   |          | 240.0   |
| 7:00AM            | Aug/07 MBA Purchase Index       | 157.9   |          | 154.0   |
| 8:30AM            | Jul m/m CORE CPI (%) ★★         | 0.2%    | 0.2%     | 0%      |
| 8:30AM            | Jul y/y Headline CPI (%) ☆      | 3.4%    | 3.4%     | 3.5%    |
| 8:30AM            | Jul y/y CORE CPI (%) ★★         | 2.5%    | 2.5%     | 2.6%    |
| 8:30AM            | Jul m/m Headline CPI (%) ★      | 0.1%    | 0.1%     | -0.4%   |
| 10:30AM           | Aug/07 Crude Oil Inventory (ml) | 17.422M | -1.4M    | 2.479M  |
| 12:00PM           | WASDE Report (%)                |         |          |         |
| 1:00PM            | 10-yr Note Auction (bl) ★       |         | 42       |         |
| 2:00PM            | Jul Federal budget (bl)         |         | \$-346B  | \$-120B |
| Thursday, Aug 13  |                                 |         |          |         |
| 8:15AM            | Fed Hammack Speech ☆            |         |          |         |
| 8:30AM            | Jul Core PPI y/y (%) ☆          |         | 4.2%     | 4.7%    |
| 8:30AM            | Aug/08 Jobless Claims (k) ☆     |         | 202K     | 199K    |
| 8:30AM            | Aug/01 Continued Claims (k) ☆   |         | 1800K    | 1801K   |
| 8:30AM            | Jul PPI m/m (%) ☆               |         | 0.2%     | -0.3%   |
| 8:30AM            | Jul Core PPI m/m (%) ☆          |         | 0.3%     | 0.2%    |
| 8:30AM            | Jul PPI y/y ☆                   |         | 4.9%     | 5.5%    |
| 8:40AM            | Fed Barkin Speech ☆             |         |          |         |
| 1:00PM            | 30-Year Bond Auction ☆          |         |          | 5.058%  |
| 1:00PM            | 30-Yr Bond Auction (bl) ☆       |         | 25       |         |