MARKET SUMMARY

Complete Recap of Today's Market Activity

Technically a Breakout, But It Could Have Been Worse

Market Summary: Monday, August 31, 2026 - 6:14PM

10yr yields closed just under 4.74 at the end of July and just over 4.75% today. That's the highest close since January 2025 which, at first glance, sounds pretty gloomy. But it's worth noting that several days have ended just a bp or two below today's levels. In other words, it was ultimately a small, incremental bump. Perhaps more importantly, it was not-at-all out of character with respect to the prevailing trend.

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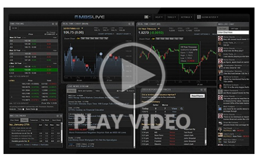

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UMBS 5.5	99.15	+0.06	10YR	4.714%	+0.002%	8/30/2026 8:10PM EST

Month-End Trading Taking a Toll

Bonds were actually a hair stronger at the open, but quickly tanked just after 8am. The nature of said tankage is strongly suggestive of month-end positioning. While it's true oil prices are higher than Friday, the spike in bond yields didn't correlate in a manner typically consistent with oil being the driver. Also, there is a relatively sharp move underway in the yield curve (i.e. 2yr yields remain unchanged while 10yr yields are 5+ bps higher). Heavy curve trading in the absence of obvious catalysts and related market correlation all but confirm "month-end trading" (unless there's a huge announcement that we missed).

ALERT: Negative Reprice Risk Increasing

ALERT: Bonds Selling After Warsh Speech

Today's Mortgage Rates

30YR Fixed	6.87%	+0.06%	15YR Fixed	6.38%	+0.03%	8/31/2026

Highest Mortgage Rates in Over a Year, But Just Barely

Bonds lost ground today, largely due to mechanical, month-end trading (i.e. not due to economic data, inflation, or news headlines). When bonds lose ground, rates rise, all else equal.

were already fairly close to longer-term highs last week. Today's increase was just enough to nudge the average top-tier 30yr fixed rate to 6.87%--the highest since June 2025. While that sounds fairly gloomy, the average borrower wouldn't see any difference from those seen on July 23rd, 2026.

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Economic Calendar

Time	Event	Actual	Forecast	Prior
Monday, Aug 31				
Tuesday, Sep 01				
9:05AM	Fed Barr Speech ☆			
9:45AM	Aug S&P Global Manuf. PMI ☆		53.2	53.9
10:00AM	Aug ISM Mfg Prices Paid ★		72	71.1
10:00AM	Aug ISM Manufacturing PMI ★★		55.2	55.6
10:00AM	Aug ISM Manufacturing Employment			52.8
10:00AM	Jul USA JOLTS Job Openings (ml) ★		7.3M	7.359M
10:00AM	Sep IBD economic optimism		46.2	45.1
10:00AM	Jul Construction spending (%)		0%	-0.1%
10:00AM	Jul JOLTs Job Quits (ml) ☆			3.232M
11:30AM	6-Week Bill Auction (%)			3.650%