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|          |       |       |      |        |         |                      |
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| UMBS 5.5 | 97.66 | +0.21 | 10YR | 4.927% | -0.038% | 9/11/2026 8:54AM EST |
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it also doesn't hurt that oil prices turned a corner overnight.

- UPDATE: Back Into Positive Territory
- ALERT: More Selling After CPI Comes in Slightly Hot



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Today's Mortgage Rates

|            |       |        |            |       |        |           |
|------------|-------|--------|------------|-------|--------|-----------|
| 30YR Fixed | 7.08% | +0.01% | 15YR Fixed | 6.63% | +0.01% | 9/11/2026 |
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30yr Fixed Rates Jump to 7.07%

You may have seen other headlines today that reference 30yr fixed rates of 6.76%. Those stories would be citing Freddie Mac's weekly rate survey which is an average of the 5 business days (4 in this case, due to the holiday) ending yesterday (September 9th).

Because of that methodology, the number lags reality. Today alone, the average lender moved up 0.125% in rate. In addition, Freddie no longer accounts for "points" (additional money paid upfront for a lower rate). In other words, 6.75% with one point is roughly the same rate as 7.00% with no points.

As a reminder, our daily rate index accounts for the impact of points so day to day comparisons are always apples to apples.

With all that in mind, today's average top-tier 30yr fixed rate is up to 7.07% from 6.97% yesterday and 6.89% the day before. This is a substantial 2-day change and the highest rate we've seen since May 21, 2025.

While some people are erroneously talking about last night's news regarding \$5k payments from the President, there are only two real factors that account for a vast majority of the upward movement. The first was yet another surge in fuel prices. The second was a poorly received Producer Price Index this morning (an inflation report that contributes to the even more important PCE inflation data due out at the end of the month).

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Economic Calendar

Last Week | This Week | Next Week

| Time           | Event                             | Actual | Forecast | Prior   |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|---------|
| Friday, Sep 11 |                                   |        |          |         |
| 12:00AM        | Roll Date - UMBS 30YR             |        |          |         |
| 8:30AM         | Aug y/y Headline CPI (%) ☆        | 3.4%   | 3.4%     | 3.4%    |
| 8:30AM         | Aug m/m CORE CPI (%) ★★           | 0.3%   | 0.2%     | 0.2%    |
| 8:30AM         | Aug m/m Headline CPI (%) ★        | 0.4%   | 0.4%     | 0.1%    |
| 8:30AM         | Aug y/y CORE CPI (%) ★★           | 2.4%   | 2.4%     | 2.5%    |
| 10:00AM        | Sep Consumer Sentiment (ip) ☆     | 47.8   | 51       | 51.7    |
| 10:00AM        | Sep Sentiment: 1y Inflation (%) ☆ | 4.6%   |          | 4%      |
| 10:00AM        | Sep Sentiment: 5y Inflation (%) ☆ | 3.4%   |          | 3.3%    |
| 10:00AM        | Sep U Mich conditions ☆           | 50.9   | 51.3     | 51.9    |
| 12:00PM        | WASDE Report (%)                  |        |          |         |
| 2:00PM         | Aug Federal budget (bl)           |        | \$-404B  | \$-432B |
| Monday, Sep 14 |                                   |        |          |         |