

MARKET SUMMARY

Complete Recap of Today's Market Activity

Now Completely Shunning The Drop in Oil

Market Summary: Tuesday, September 29, 2026 - 3:49PM

Bonds were initially modestly stronger overnight, but mostly sideways in the bigger picture. Right at the 8:20am CME open, bond sellers were clearly waiting in line to sell. This is another small anecdote that potentially suggests month/quarter-end trading is contributing to this week's volatility. It could also be an ongoing defensive stance ahead of this week's high-stakes econ data (this morning's JOLTs being today's most pressing example, coming up at 10am ET). The weakness completely ignored a fairly substantial drop in oil prices. We'll see more about what's what after 10am.

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MBS & Treasury Markets

UMBS 6.0	97.75	-0.45	10YR	5.279%	+0.039%	9/29/2026 1:44PM EST
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Bonds Bounce Back Following Williams Comments

Just a head up for those curious about the mid-day recovery, this is the wire that marked the turning point:

FED'S WILLIAMS - SEES NO NEED FOR URGENCY AFTER SEPTEMBER RATE HIKE

As a reminder, Williams carries more weight than most Fed speakers. This is also a more unique comment relative to other Fed speakers recently. Markets agreed--especially Fed Funds Futures and the short end of the yield curve.

MBS are still weaker on the day, but by less than an eighth now (up roughly 3/8ths from lowest levels).

10yr up only 1.8bps at 5.257

- ALERT: Additional Negative Reprice Risk
- ALERT: Down Sharply From AM Highs

Today's Mortgage Rates

30YR Fixed	7.58%	+0.08%	15YR Fixed	7.20%	+0.08%	9/29/2026
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Mortgage Rates Officially Hit 7.5%

Despite Friday afternoon's promising bond market rally and mortgage rate improvement, today's top tier 30yr fixed rate bounced back up. The average lender is now at 7.50% for the first time since April 30, 2024.

While there's been a lot of short-term correlation between oil prices and over the last 6 months, oil does a poor job of explaining much of the recent upward momentum in rates. At times today, it seemed that the higher rates coincided with higher oil prices, but oil fell all the way back to Friday afternoon's levels at one point while rates remained elevated.

The other factors are a laundry list of usual suspects: strong economic data, anxiety regarding incoming data being stronger as well, supply/demand issues in the Treasury market, elevated bond market supply in general, etc. That said, there weren't any major new developments for that laundry list today.

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Time	Event	Actual	Forecast	Prior
Tuesday, Sep 29				
9:00AM	Jul FHFA Home Price Index m/m (%)	0.3%	0.1%	0%
9:00AM	Jul FHFA Home Prices y/y (%) ☆	2.6%		2.3%
9:00AM	Jul CaseShiller 20 mm nsa (%)	0%		0.4%
9:00AM	Jul Case Shiller Home Prices-20 y/y (%) ☆	2.5%	2.2%	2.1%
9:20AM	NY Fed Bill Purchases 1 to 4 months (%)		\$3.892 billion	
10:00AM	Aug JOLTs Job Quits (ml) ☆	3.066M		3.056M
10:00AM	Aug USA JOLTS Job Openings (ml) ★	7.079M	7.23M	7.271M
10:00AM	Sep CB Consumer Confidence (%) ☆	81.9	89.2	89.4
11:30AM	6-Week Bill Auction (%)	3.970%		3.870%
1:00PM	Fed Goolsbee Speech ☆			
1:30PM	Fed Musalem Speech ☆			
2:00PM	Fed Williams Speech ☆			
Wednesday, Sep 30				
7:00AM	Sep/25 MBA Purchase Index			154.9
7:00AM	Sep/25 Mortgage Market Index			227.3
7:00AM	Sep/25 MBA Refi Index			611.0
8:15AM	Sep ADP jobs (k) ☆		70K	38K
8:30AM	Aug PCE prices (m/m) (%) ☆		0.4%	0.2%
8:30AM	Q2 GDP (%) ★		1.5%	2.1%
8:30AM	Q2 Corporate profits (%))		8.2%	0.5%
8:30AM	Aug Core PCE (m/m) (%) ★		0.3%	0.2%
8:30AM	Q2 Core PCE Prices QoQ ☆		3.6%	4.4%
8:30AM	Q2 PCE Prices (Q/Q) ☆		5.3%	4.6%
8:30AM	Aug PCE (y/y) (%) ☆		3.7%	3.7%
8:30AM	Q2 GDP Final Sales (%)		2.2%	1.9%
8:30AM	Aug Core PCE (y/y) (%) ★		3.3%	3.3%
9:45AM	Sep Chicago PMI ☆		51.2	47.1
10:30AM	Sep/25 Crude Oil Inventory (ml)			2.969M
1:30PM	Fed Barkin Speech ☆			
5:10PM	Fed Goolsbee Speech ☆			
6:00PM	Fed Kashkari Speech ☆			