

MARKET SUMMARY

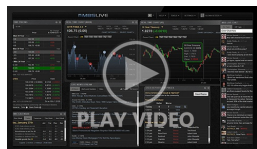
Complete Recap of Today's Market Activity

No Surprise: It Was a Trap

Market Summary: Wednesday, October 7, 2026 - 12:51PM

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MBS & Treasury Markets

UMBS 6.0	97.89	-0.18	10YR	5.310%	+0.025%	10/7/2026 10:49AM EST
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Let's pick something to make fun of. The top pick would have to be "auction concerns," but there's no fun way to put that on a chart, so let's use "Treasures are worried about France." If someone tells you that today, ask them to clarify whether it's higher or lower French yields that are good/bad for US yields, because all 4 combinations have been argued in the past week:

MBS MORNING: Overnight Adaptive Cruise, Following Oil

ALERT: Negative Reprice Risk Increasing

Today's Mortgage Rates

30YR Fixed	7.63%	+0.07%	15YR Fixed	7.25%	+0.03%	10/7/2026
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Mortgage Rates Near 1-Week Lows

actually fell today--something they've done only 7 times since August 25th. While the outright levels remain near the highest since 2003, they're near the lowest in just over a week with top-tier 30yr fixed rates down to 7.56% for the average lender.

What gives? Is this a sign that recent upward momentum is starting to wane? It's too soon to conclude such things, but it is somewhat encouraging that yesterday's long-term high was basically right in line with the high seen on September 30th (7.61 vs 7.60). This is the sort of "double top" behavior that some analysts look for when trying to identify momentum shifts.

Bottom line: it's too soon to start celebrating. But it's better than the average day of late.

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Economic Calendar

Last Week | This Week | Next Week

Time	Event	Actual	Forecast	Prior
Wednesday, Oct 07				
7:00AM	Oct/02 Mortgage Market Index	204.7		213.6
7:00AM	Oct/02 MBA Refi Index	515.8		557.8
7:00AM	Oct/02 MBA Purchase Index	145.1		148.2
10:30AM	Oct/02 Crude Oil Inventory (ml)	-3.186M	1.7M	0.922M
11:00AM	Sep Consumer Inflation Expectations ☆	3.9%		3.6%
1:00PM	10-yr Note Auction (bl) ★	39		
2:00PM	FOMC Minutes ★★			
3:00PM	Aug Consumer credit (bl)		\$15B	\$18.06B
Thursday, Oct 08				
8:30AM	Oct/03 Jobless Claims (k) ☆		200K	197K
8:30AM	Sep/26 Continued Claims (k) ☆		1710K	1701K
9:20AM	NY Fed Bill Purchases 1 to 4 months (%)		\$3.891 billion	
1:00PM	30-Yr Bond Auction (bl) ☆	22		
1:40PM	Fed Musalem Speech ☆			