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UPDATE: Tradeflow-Motivated Rally Ahead of Consumer Confidence

Bond markets were calm overnight, but generally trended in a friendly direction. Europe was back in the office after being out yesterday and overnight strength in European bond markets helped Treasuries to stay pointed toward gradually lower yields.

The sharpest movement of the morning (and the most noticeable uptick in volumes) came right at the 8:20am CME open. This is a dead giveaway as to the presence of a "tradeflow-motivated" rally, which I discuss in greater detail in the video.

Consumer Confidence is coming up presently and is one of those reports that always has some potential to move markets, but isn't necessarily guaranteed to do so. It is notable for its internal component the "labor differential," which provides one of several early clues for Friday NFP.

10yr yields are down 2.4bps at 1.858 and Fannie 3.0s are up 6 ticks at 101-31 heading into the data.



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MBS & Treasury Market Data

	Price / Yield	Change
MBS UMBS 6.0	100.35	-0.05
MBS GNMA 6.0	100.73	-0.04
10 YR Treasury	4.4149	-0.0074
30 YR Treasury	4.5873	+0.0033

Pricing as of: 5/20 10:26PM EST

Average Mortgage Rates

	Rate	Change	Points
Mortgage News Daily			

30 Yr. Fixed	7.10%	+0.01	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.57%	+0.01	0.00
30 Yr. FHA	6.64%	+0.02	0.00
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.35%	0.00	0.00
5/1 ARM	7.30%	0.00	0.00

Freddie Mac

30 Yr. Fixed	7.02%	-0.42	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.28%	-0.48	0.00

Mortgage Bankers Assoc.

30 Yr. Fixed	7.08%	-0.10	0.63
15 Yr. Fixed	6.61%	+0.01	0.65
30 Yr. FHA	6.89%	-0.03	0.94
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.22%	-0.09	0.58
5/1 ARM	6.56%	-0.04	0.66

Rates as of: 5/20

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