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## UPDATE: Limited Reaction to 8:30am Econ Data

Bonds were slightly stronger overnight, with late-session strength in European bond markets clearly leading the way. 10yr yields hit domestic hours roughly 2bps lower and Fannie 3.5 MBS began the day 3/32nds higher.

The 8:30am data came out as follows:

### GDP

- US PRELIM Q1 GDP +1.2 PCT (CONSENSUS +0.9 PCT), PREV +0.7 PCT; FINAL SALES +2.2 PCT (CONS +1.8 PCT), PREV +1.6 PCT
- US Q1 CONSUMER SPENDING +0.6 PCT (PREV +0.3 PCT); DURABLES -1.4 PCT (PREV -2.5 PCT)
- US PRELIM Q1 GDP DEFLATOR +2.2 PCT (CONS +2.3 PCT), PREV +2.2 PCT
- US Q1 PCE PRICE INDEX +2.4 PCT (CONS +2.4 PCT), PREV +2.4 PCT; CORE PCE +2.1 PCT (CONS +2.0 PCT), PREV +2.0 PCT
- US Q1 BUSINESS INVENTORY CHANGE +\$4.3 BLN (PREV +\$10.3 BLN)
- US Q1 BUSINESS INVENTORY CHANGE CUTS 1.07 PERCENTAGE POINTS FROM GDP CHANGE

### Durable Goods

- US APRIL DURABLES ORDERS -0.7 PCT (CONSENSUS -1.2 PCT) VS MAR +2.3 PCT (PREV +1.7 PCT)
- U.S. APRIL DURABLES EX-TRANSPORTATION ORDERS -0.4 PCT (CONS +0.5 PCT) VS MAR +0.8 PCT (PREV +0.8 PCT)
- US APRIL NONDEFENSE CAP ORDERS EX-AIRCRAFT UNCHANGED, (CONS +0.5 PCT) VS MAR UNCHANGED (PREV +0.5 PCT)

At first glance, it's **somewhat of a surprise** to see bonds holding their ground (i.e. "not losing any ground"). After all, GDP ticked up 0.3% vs expectations, and Durable Goods were 0.5% better than expected, not to mention a 0.6% positive revision in March.

But arguably, the morning's most telling number (and the one traders tend to focus on just as much as the top line results) is the "**Cap-Ex**" component of the Durable Goods data. That's the bottom bullet point: "nondefense capital goods orders, excluding aircraft." In other words, all the stuff that isn't gigantically costly (planes) or driven by military spending fluctuations.

## MBS & Treasury Market Data

	Price / Yield	Change
MBS UMBS 6.0	100.55	<b>-0.25</b>
MBS GNMA 6.0	101.31	<b>-0.18</b>
10 YR Treasury	4.3798	<b>+0.0029</b>
30 YR Treasury	4.5240	<b>+0.0179</b>

Pricing as of: 5/17 4:08AM EST

## Average Mortgage Rates

	Rate	Change	Points
<b>Mortgage News Daily</b>			
30 Yr. Fixed	7.02%	<b>+0.03</b>	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.53%	<b>+0.03</b>	0.00
30 Yr. FHA	6.55%	<b>+0.03</b>	0.00
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.31%	<b>+0.01</b>	0.00
5/1 ARM	7.24%	<b>+0.04</b>	0.00

### Freddie Mac

30 Yr. Fixed	7.02%	<b>-0.42</b>	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.28%	<b>-0.48</b>	0.00

### Mortgage Bankers Assoc.

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

Rates as of: 5/16

With Cap-Ex missing the mark my 0.5% this month and being revised 0.5% lower last month, the bond market resilience makes better sense. At the very least, this paves the way for bonds to remain in the sideways range outlined in this morning's Day Ahead. Traders will be looking to engage **cruise control** from here on out unless something compelling happens in the news or related markets. I would estimate the cruise control range to be between the 2.22 and 2.25-ish technical levels



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