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Mortgage Rates Avoid Setting Another High

After moving back up to the highest levels in more than 4 years yesterday, mortgage rates fell slightly today. Pessimists/realists would rightfully point out that today's rates are still pretty close to those 4-year highs, and that one measly day isn't much of a foundation for hope. Optimists could counter that yesterday's high rates merely MATCHED the recent highs from last week and that the past 2 weeks overall have seen the most sideways stability in 2018.

Long story short, rates are high relative to anything seen since early 2014, but there also continues to be a chance that they'll try to avoid going much higher in the short term. NOTE: a "chance" means strictly that. We're not talking about probabilities here.

The average lender continues quoting conventional 30yr fixed rates of 4.5-**4.625%** for well-qualified borrowers. Todays' NOTE rate would be the same as yesterdays with the modest improvement coming in the form of slightly lower closing costs.

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National Average Mortgage Rates



	Rate	Change	Points
Mortgage News	Daily		
30 Yr. Fixed	7.28%	-0.09	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.75%	-0.07	0.00
30 Yr. FHA	6.70%	-0.12	0.00
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.48%	-0.07	0.00
5/1 ARM	7.35%	-0.07	0.00
Freddie Mac			
30 Yr. Fixed	7.22%	-0.22	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.47%	-0.29	0.00
Mortgage Banke	ers Assoc.		
30 Yr. Fixed	7.24%	+0.11	0.66
15 Yr. Fixed	6.75%	+0.11	0.64
30 Yr. FHA	7.01%	+0.11	0.94
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.45%	+0.05	0.56
5/1 ARM	6.64%	+0.12	0.87
Rates as of: 5/3			

MBS and Treasury Market Data

	Price / Yield	Change
MBS UMBS 6.0	100.09	+0.31
MBS GNMA 6.0	101.03	+0.29
10 YR Treasury	4.5138	-0.0657
30 YR Treasury	4.6711	-0.0579
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