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Mortgage Rates Sideways to Slightly Higher

Mortgage rates moved higher on average today, although a few lenders were better characterized as "unchanged." In either case, if you're shopping for a loan, you probably won't see a different rate at the top of today's quote when compared to yesterday. Change would only be measured in the form of slightly higher upfront costs (or lower lender credit, depending on the scenario).

In terms of the underlying financial markets that drive rates, the first two days of this week have been fairly calm and uneventful. The globally interconnected nature of financial markets deserves part of the blame for that as holidays have kept traders at home in Asia yesterday and Europe today. The level of activity and potential volatility **should increase** tomorrow. Not only will overseas markets be back in action, but the domestic calendar also has several important events including the ADP Employment report in the morning (occasionally treated as a prelude to the big jobs report on Friday) and the Fed Announcement in the afternoon. While the Fed is not even remotely expected to hike rates again at this meeting, investors are always tuned in to the verbiage of the announcement in case it offers clues about the future policy path.

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National Average Mortgage Rates



	Rate	Change	Points
Mortgage News Daily			
30 Yr. Fixed	7.43%	-0.02	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.85%	-0.01	0.00
30 Yr. FHA	6.92%	-0.03	0.00
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.63%	-0.01	0.00
5/1 ARM	7.50%	0.00	0.00

Freddie Mac

30 Yr. Fixed	7.17%	-0.27	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.44%	-0.32	0.00

Mortgage Bankers 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: 4/29

MBS and Treasury Market Data

	Price / Yield	Change
MBS UMBS 6.0	99.44	+0.07
MBS GNMA 6.0	100.59	+0.24
10 YR Treasury	4.6075	-0.0061
30 YR Treasury	4.7242	-0.0068

Pricing as of: 4/29 11:27PM EST

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