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## Best Day of a Rotten Week For Mortgage Rates

**Mortgage rates** actually **fell** today, on average--something they haven't been able to say all week, or indeed at nearly any time during the past 4 weeks. Yesterday, in particular, was the worst day for rates since 2011 for most lenders, with anything less than an ideal loan scenario garnering 30yr fixed quotes of 4.875% to 5.0%. With all of the above in mind, today's token improvement **isn't** necessarily exciting, but at least it's better than the alternative.

Much of this week's rapid rise was seen in the first half of the week. Starting on Wednesday afternoon, markets began settling into a more sideways pattern, apparently getting in position for **more volatility** in the coming week. If there's an event that's likely to serve as the catalyst for that volatility, it's the Fed Announcement on Wednesday afternoon. Everyone already agrees the Fed will hike its policy rate, but investors are curious to see how the Fed's updated rate hike projections look. They're also interested in hearing what Fed Chair Powell has to say at the press conference that follows the announcement.

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## National Average Mortgage Rates



	Rate	Change	Points
<b>Mortgage News Daily</b>			
30 Yr. Fixed	7.39%	<b>+0.01</b>	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.83%	<b>+0.01</b>	0.00
30 Yr. FHA	6.87%	<b>+0.01</b>	0.00
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.58%	<b>0.00</b>	0.00
5/1 ARM	7.40%	<b>0.00</b>	0.00

### Freddie Mac

30 Yr. Fixed	7.10%	<b>-0.34</b>	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.39%	<b>-0.37</b>	0.00

### Mortgage Bankers Assoc.

30 Yr. Fixed	7.13%	<b>+0.12</b>	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.64%	<b>+0.18</b>	0.64
30 Yr. FHA	6.90%	<b>+0.10</b>	0.99
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.40%	<b>+0.27</b>	0.46
5/1 ARM	6.52%	<b>+0.11</b>	0.60

Rates as of: 4/24

## MBS and Treasury Market Data

	Price / Yield	Change
MBS UMBS 6.0	99.37	<b>-0.24</b>
MBS GNMA 6.0	100.23	<b>-0.17</b>
10 YR Treasury	4.6510	<b>+0.0496</b>
30 YR Treasury	4.7811	<b>+0.0518</b>

Pricing as of: 4/24 11:30AM EST

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