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A Message from Rich E. Blanchard:

"Home on the range where the loan officers play"

MBS Recap: Post-Fed-Minutes And The Range is Still The Range

Surprise surprise! The **range is still the range** for bond markets and mortgage rates. Yesterday's tough talk from Fed Presidents Dudley and Lockhart proved to be individual opinions amid a broader, softer stance from the whole of the Fed.

Bond markets were essentially unchanged heading into the FOMC Minutes and **improved slightly** afterward. There was no major economic data this morning, with most of the overnight and early morning cues coming from European bond markets and pre-Fed positioning.

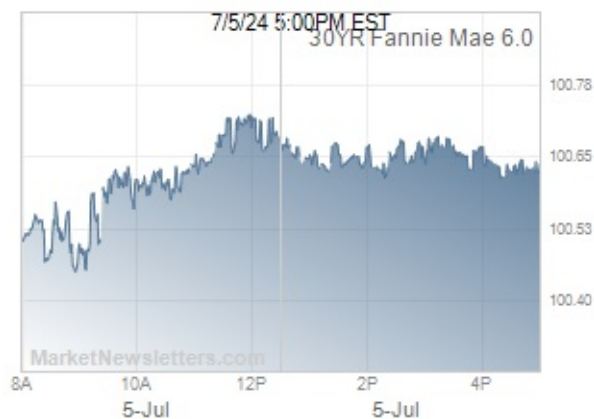
In the bigger picture, today did nothing to challenge the recent range, and did very little to add to our sense of what the Fed might do in the next two meetings. We did get **at least a tidbit** of info when 10yr yields bounced at almost exactly the same ceiling level as yesterday (1.588 vs 1.587). This gives us something to watch and freak out about if it's broken. For now, we're heading out the door closer to 1.56.

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MBS & Treasury Market Data

	Price / Yield	Change
MBS UMBS 6.0	100.61	+0.22
MBS GNMA 6.0	100.74	+0.21
10 YR Treasury	4.2920	+0.0102
30 YR Treasury	4.4886	+0.0029

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Average Mortgage Rates

	Rate	Change	Points
Mortgage News Daily			
30 Yr. Fixed	7.03%	-0.05	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.44%	-0.01	0.00
30 Yr. FHA	6.50%	-0.05	0.00
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.24%	-0.01	0.00
5/1 ARM	7.05%	-0.02	0.00
Freddie Mac			
30 Yr. Fixed	6.95%	+0.09	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.25%	+0.09	0.00
Mortgage Bankers Assoc.			
30 Yr. Fixed	7.03%	+0.09	0.62
15 Yr. Fixed	6.56%	+0.09	0.54
30 Yr. FHA	6.90%	+0.11	0.95
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.11%	-0.01	0.50
5/1 ARM	6.38%	+0.11	0.54

Rates as of: 7/5

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