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# The Week Ahead: Decision Time For The Range as Data Ramps Up

The past 5 business days of bond market rallies brought yields right to the **lower edge of 2017's range**. We had been tracking these movements in terms of a "consolidation range" (i.e. converging lines connecting higher lows and lower highs) but the most recent strength makes a case for a horizontal lows.

Up until Friday, 2017's two major lows were 2.305 and 2.325 in that (ascending) order. Friday brought us as low as 2.309. It also brought short-term momentum metrics into "overbought" territory. While that's never a guarantee of a bounce, it does mean that bonds are more "ready" to bounce--especially in the presence of the proper motivation.




Motivation this week could be easy to find, depending on the outcome of the various economic reports and the multitude of Fed speakers.. There are plenty--and several are top shelf market movers.

**Today's** biggest deal will be Durable Goods at 8:30am. It's not always a market mover, but it always has potential to shake things up. Pending Home sales is out at 10am.

## MBS and Treasury

| | Price / Yield | Change |
|---|---|---|
| MBS UMBS 6.0 | 99.43 | -0.62 |
| 10 YR Treasury | 4.9860 | +0.0952 |
| 30 YR Treasury | 5.3557 | +0.0737 |

Pricing as of: 11/10 5:59PM EST




## Average Mortgage Rates

| | Rate | Change | Points |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Mortgage News Daily** | | | |
| 30YR Fixed | 7.30% | +0.12 | 0.00 |
| 15YR Fixed | 6.92% | +0.09 | 0.00 |
| 30YR FHA | 6.89% | +0.07 | 0.00 |
| 30YR Jumbo | 7.40% | +0.03 | 0.00 |
| 7/6 SOFR | 6.80% | +0.31 | 0.00 |
| 30YR VA | 6.90% | +0.07 | 0.00 |

Rates as of: 11/10

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**Tuesday** brings the 2nd reading of Q4 GDP and Chicago PMI for the more relevant reports. Case Shiller home prices will be out at 9am, but don't tend to move markets.

**Wednesday** could be the most pivotal day of the week. It will follow the much anticipated Trump speech to the joint session of congress the night before. Then we'll get Personal Consumption Expenditures (a report that contains the Fed' preferred inflation gauge) at 8:30am, and the important ISM Manufacturing data at 10am.

**Thursday** is a bit of a lull, with only Jobless Claims (not a market mover right now).

**Friday** picks back up with ISM Non-Manufacturing at 10am, and a Yellen speech at 1pm.

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