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The Day Ahead: Markets Reopen But Holiday Vibes Remain

Bond markets are fully open again today after 2 and a half days off for Christmas. While things could be a bit busier than earlier this week, volume and liquidity will remain light, and trading momentum can arrive and depart for no good reason. Technically, there's a 7yr Treasury auction on the calendar, and it's worth noting that there was some movement after Tuesday's 5yr Treasury auction.

The following is a repeat:

I won't be writing very much this week, but rest assured, I will be here and I will continue monitoring markets like a hawk and sending out alerts as needed. Even so, you should never rely solely on my written alerts. **I highly recommend you set up automated alerts [HERE](#)** and refine them over time to suit your individual needs. This way, if I'm struck by lightning or hit by a meteor, you'll still be protected until the MBS Live team can fire up one of my clones we have in cold storage.

Here are a few links that provide the gist of late December trading:

- [Traders are people too](#)
- [Illiquidity](#)
- [Stick a fork in 2019](#)
- [Sometimes Month-End Comes Early](#)

And because I always like to put a chart in the morning commentary, here's yet another look at the rather epic consolidation that has been intact for nearly half a year now. Realistically, there's not a whole lot of riveting bond market analysis to be done until this consolidation is resolved (Jan or Feb 2020, most likely).

MBS & Treasury Market Data

| | Price / Yield | Change |
|----------------|---------------|---------|
| MBS UMBS 6.0 | 100.39 | +0.19 |
| MBS GNMA 6.0 | 100.53 | +0.14 |
| 10 YR Treasury | 4.3602 | -0.0724 |
| 30 YR Treasury | 4.5297 | -0.0761 |

Pricing as of: 7/3 5:59PM EST



Average Mortgage Rates

| | Rate | Change | Points |
|--------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| Mortgage News Daily | | | |
| 30 Yr. Fixed | 7.08% | -0.05 | 0.00 |
| 15 Yr. Fixed | 6.45% | -0.02 | 0.00 |
| 30 Yr. FHA | 6.55% | -0.05 | 0.00 |
| 30 Yr. Jumbo | 7.25% | -0.04 | 0.00 |
| 5/1 ARM | 7.07% | -0.03 | 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: 7/3



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