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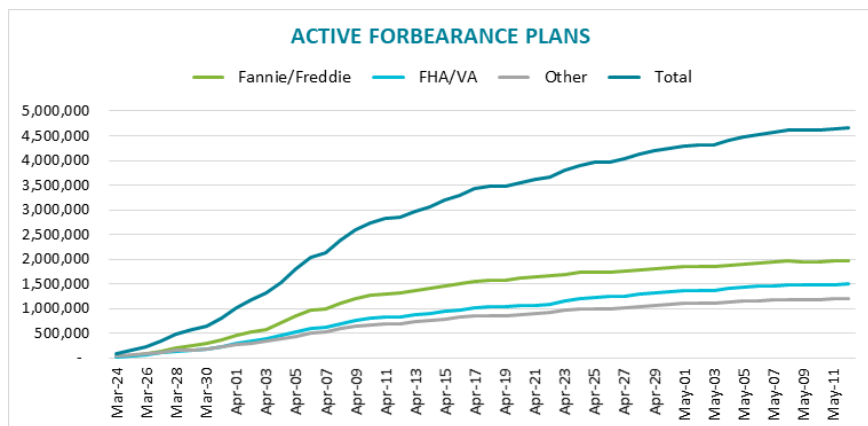
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## Forbearance Volume Continues, but at a Slower Pace

In its May 5 report on the number of COVID-19 forbearance plans in effect, **Black Knight** said the rate of new plans had slowed, but speculated they could pick up again as the May mortgage payments came due. As of May 12, that had not happened. The company reports that the number of plans had increased from a revised 4.5 million to 4.7 million.

That increase, a net of just under 26,000 new plans per day, is a **substantial reduction of more than 85 percent of the daily rate in early April**. However, as most mortgage documents allow a 15-day grace period before a mortgage is marked as past due and a late fee assessed, borrowers still had a few days remaining at the end of the reporting period to request forbearance before any penalty kicked in.



Black Knight used a momentum-based approach based on the one-week average and assuming an optimistic 10 percent daily decline moving forward. It concluded there would be 4.9 million forborene loans by the end of May, 9.2 percent of active mortgages, and just under 5 million or 9.4 percent by the end of June.

## National Average Mortgage Rates



	Rate	Change	Points
<b>Mortgage News Daily</b>			
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	6.86%	-0.01	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	6.16%	+0.03	0.00

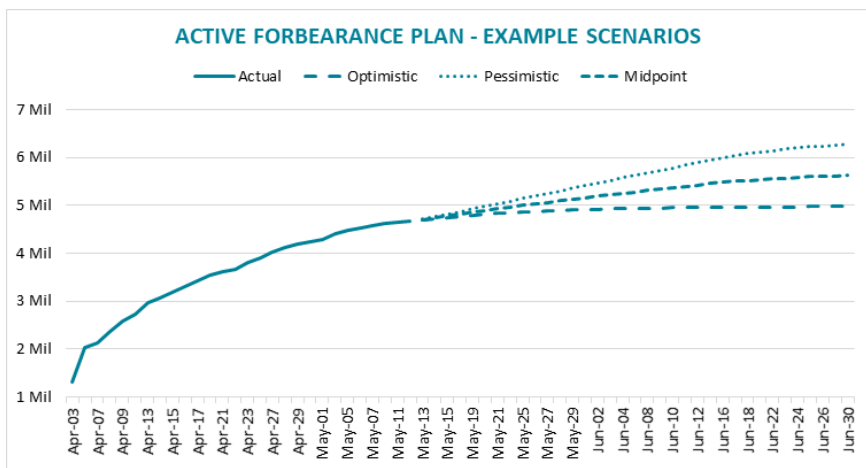
### Mortgage Bankers Assoc.

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

## Recent Housing Data

		Value	Change
Mortgage Apps	Jun 12	208.5	+15.58%
Building Permits	Mar	1.46M	-3.95%
Housing Starts	Mar	1.32M	-13.15%
New Home Sales	Mar	693K	+4.68%
Pending Home Sales	Feb	75.6	+1.75%
Existing Home Sales	Feb	3.97M	-0.75%



		Value	Change
Builder Confidence	Mar	51	+6.25%

A more pessimistic scenario assumes that the current pace continues until mid-June and then a 10 percent daily slowdown begins. This could result in up to 5.4 million loans in forbearance by the end of May and 6.3 million by the end of June; 10.1 percent and 11.8 percent respectively of all mortgages being serviced.

The number of forbearance plans reported this week represents 8.8 percent of all active mortgages and more than \$1 trillion in unpaid principal. Some 7% of all GSE-backed loans and 12.4% of all FHA/VA loans are currently in forbearance plans.

	Fannie & Freddie	FHA & VA	Other**	Total
Loans in Forbearance*	1,964,000	1,495,000	1,202,000	4,661,000
UPB of Loans in Forbearance (\$Bil)*	\$414	\$256	\$355	\$1026
Share of Loans in Forbearance*	7.0%	12.4%	9.2%	8.8%
Active Loan Count (Mil)*	27.9	12.1	13.0	53.0

Given the current number of loans with approved plans, **servicers are obligated to advance an aggregate of \$3.6 billion in principal and interest (P&I) payments to investors** in government guaranteed mortgage backed securities associated with these loans and another \$2.1 billion in payments for property taxes and insurance premiums (T&I). They could also have an additional \$2.8 billion in advance P&I and T&I payments for loans they are servicing for others.

The Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) has said that P&I advance payments will be capped at four months for servicers of GSE-backed mortgages. Given today's number of loans in forbearance, servicers of GSE-backed loans face \$8.8 billion in advances over that four-month period.

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With 27+ years of expertise in mortgage banking you can be confident in my knowledge and abilities to deliver a seamless loan transaction while providing personalized service.

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