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The Week Ahead: Bonds Fight Technical Battle With Housing Data in Background

- 2 separate narratives this week: market movement and housing data
- tall order for housing data to drive market movement, except in extreme cases
- markets are more likely to take cues from tradeflows/technicals and external markets

Bond markets spent most of last week breaking out of the month-long downtrend that began after the March 16th FOMC Announcement. Friday's rally came close to **casting doubt** on the negative thesis, but as we discussed, those gains were likely the result of trading positions being closed ahead of the weekend's potential oil-related volatility.

As we begin the current week, we **already have confirmation** regarding the 'tradeflow' narrative based simply on the sharp movement in bond yields seen right at the 8:20am CME open.

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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With bond markets starting out in weaker territory, we will continue to **keep an eye on** technical support levels overhead. These are best tracked with the 2 yields of 1.80 and 1.84 in 10yr Treasuries. Entering that range can be tolerated, but moving through it would amount to "confirmation" that the sideways range is breaking down.



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The other narrative this week is the small **glut of housing data**. There is a housing related report every day this week with the exception of Friday. The headliners would be the Housing Starts and Existing Home Sales reports on Tuesday and Wednesday respectively. But even though they're headliners in terms of housing-related economic data, they're not as likely to be headliners when it comes to market movement. The only **exception** would be an extreme beat/miss in one of the reports and even then it would be a tall order.

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