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Mortgage Rates Still Waiting to Make a Move

Mortgage rates have been **exceptionally sideways** for nearly 2 weeks now--this after hitting the highest levels in more than 4 years on April 25th. As always, the run up to long-term highs happened in concert with weakness in the broader bond market. Rates are based primarily on the prices of mortgage-backed securities (MBS). In turn, MBS movement is heavily dependent on movement in the broader bond market (where bonds like US Treasuries are top dog, domestically).

All that to say: we're not really witnessing a mortgage rate phenomenon, but rather a bond market phenomenon. Both Treasuries and MBS are trying to decide if they will try to stage a more meaningful recovery or if they will push up to even higher levels than those seen in late April. Some of this week's data and events could play a role in that decision making process, but we'll be waiting until Wednesday or Thursday to know for sure. Even then, if the data is inconclusive, we could STILL be waiting for a bigger move, and without any firm indication as to what will ultimately be the motivating factor.

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National Average Mortgage Rates



Mortgage News Daily	Rate	Change	Points
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

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

Recent Housing Data

		Value	Change
Mortgage Apps	Oct 28	192.6	-1.23%
Building Permits	Sep	1.4M	+0.43%
Housing Starts	Sep	1.22M	-4.24%
New Home Sales	Sep	676K	-1.17%
Pending Home Sales	Aug	71.2	0%
Existing Home Sales	Oct	3.99M	+0.25%
Builder Confidence	Oct	29	-9.38%

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