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UPDATE: Bonds Extend Rally Before and After Trade Headlines

Bonds were roughly unchanged to start the domestic session, but began rallying heading into the 9am hour. Actually, the yield curve began moving right at the 8:20am CME open, and momentum in curve trading eventually spilled over to the longer-end of the curve (which is what we care about as mortgage folks). In other words, 2yr/10yr spreads tightened at first due to the selling of 2yr Treasuries, but then by the buying of 10yr Treasuries.

That got us down to 2.95+ in 10yr yields before a Trump tweet that threatened re-escalation of the US/China trade war. Stocks have sold-off a bit on this headline and bonds have picked up just a bit more ground as a result. 10yr yields are now under 2.95% for the first time since September 13th. Fannie 4.0 MBS are up 2 ticks (0.06) at 100-29 (100.91).



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MBS & Treasury Market Data

| | Price / Yield | Change |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------|
| MBS UMBS 6.0 | 100.09 | +0.31 |
| MBS GNMA 6.0 | 101.03 | +0.29 |
| 10 YR Treasury | 4.5138 | -0.0657 |
| 30 YR Treasury | 4.6711 | -0.0579 |
| Pricing as of: 5/3 5:04PM EST | | |

Average Mortgage Rates

| | Rate | Change | Points |
|------------------|------------|--------|--------|
| Mortgage News | Daily | | |
| 30 Yr. Fixed | 7.28% | -0.09 | 0.00 |
| 15 Yr. Fixed | 6.75% | -0.07 | 0.00 |
| 30 Yr. FHA | 6.70% | -0.12 | 0.00 |
| 30 Yr. Jumbo | 7.48% | -0.07 | 0.00 |
| 5/1 ARM | 7.35% | -0.07 | 0.00 |
| Freddie Mac | | | |
| 30 Yr. Fixed | 7.22% | -0.22 | 0.00 |
| 15 Yr. Fixed | 6.47% | -0.29 | 0.00 |
| Mortgage Banke | ers Assoc. | | |
| 30 Yr. Fixed | 7.24% | +0.11 | 0.66 |
| 15 Yr. Fixed | 6.75% | +0.11 | 0.64 |
| 30 Yr. FHA | 7.01% | +0.11 | 0.94 |
| 30 Yr. Jumbo | 7.45% | +0.05 | 0.56 |
| 5/1 ARM | 6.64% | +0.12 | 0.87 |
| Rates as of: 5/3 | | | |

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