

WEEKLY Economic Landscape

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PMMS Rates	Current	1wk Ago	4wks Ago	6mths Ago	1yr Ago
30-Yr FRM	6.34	6.30	6.50	6.65	6.08
15-Yr FRM	5.55	5.49	5.60	5.89	5.16
MBA Index ¹	Current	1wk Ago	4wks Ago	6mths Ago	1yr Ago
Purchase	172.7	174.5	158.7	158.2	149.3
Refinance	1,278.6	1,609.8	902.5	710.4	1,099.5
ARM	610.8	740.7	514.6	338.5	362.0
MBA Weekly Survey Rate and Point (incl. orig fee) Averages ²					
FR30 conforming		FR30 jumbo		FR15 conforming	
6.46%	0.61 pts	6.54%	0.40 pts	5.76%	0.68 pts
Weekly Economic Data					
Data Series	Prior	Prior Revised	Current		
Consumer Sentiment Survey - UM	58.2	58.2	55.1		
PCE Deflator M/M - BEA	0.2	0.2%	0.3%		
Pending Home Sales - NAR	-0.4%	-0.4%	4.0%		
Job Openings - BLS	7.18 M	7.21 M	7.23 M		
Manufacturing Index - ISM®	48.7	48.7	49.1		

Sources: Moody's Analytics / Freddie Mac / MBA / Marketwatch / UM / BEA / NAR / BLS / ISM

¹seasonally adjusted; ² for 80% LTV

- **Treasury yields** were lower this week as the 10yT decreased 8 bps to 4.11% while the 2yT was down 10 bps to 3.57%. Mortgage rates were higher as Freddie Mac reported the PMMS-30 increased 4 bps to 6.34% and the PMMS-15 was up 6 bps to 5.55%
- **MBA mortgage application** volume decreased 12.7% seasonally adjusted as the Refinance index dropped 20.6% and the Purchase index was down 1.0%. The adjustable-rate share of application volume decreased to 8.4% from 8.9% last week.
- **The University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment Survey** dropped 3.1 points to 55.1 in September. Inflation expectations were mixed for the month, with 1-year expectations declining from 4.8% to 4.7% and 5-year expectations rising from 3.5% to 3.7%.

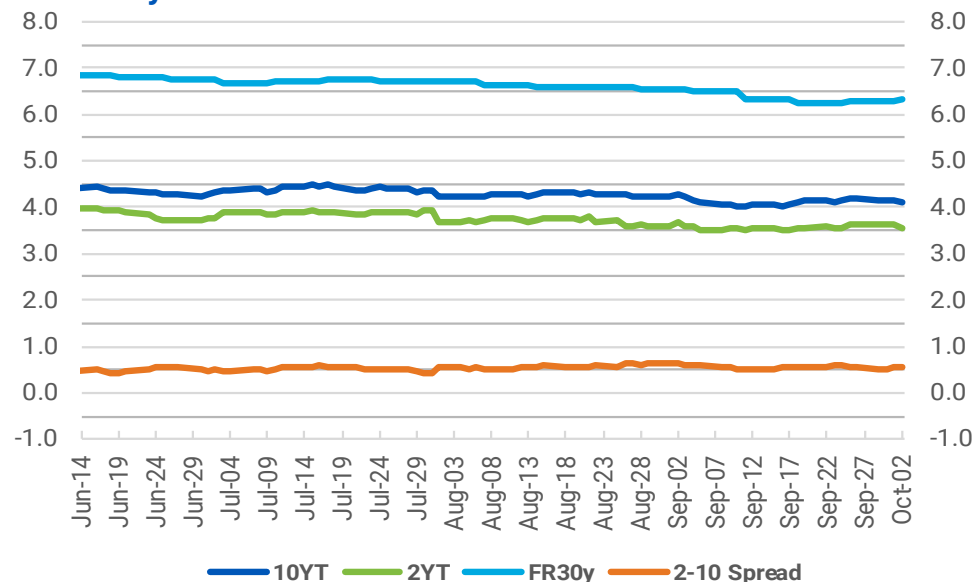
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UPCOMING ECONOMIC RELEASES *

- **Friday, October 3, 2025:**
Nonmanufacturing Index (ISM), Employment Situation (BLS)
- **Wednesday, October 8, 2025:**
Mortgage Application Survey (MBA), Financial Stress Index (FED)

* Subject to availability based on federal government operations.

Treasury Market Yields



Sources: Moody's Analytics / Freddie Mac / US Federal Reserve Bank

- **The PCE deflator**, as measured by the BEA, increased 0.3% in August and was up 2.7% year-over-year. The core PCE deflator, which excludes food and energy, rose 0.2% in August and was up 2.9% year-over-year.
- **The NAR's Pending Home Sales index** rose 4.0% in August and was up 3.8% year-over-year. All regional indexes except the Northeast increased, with the Midwest experiencing the largest monthly gain at 8.7%.
- **The Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey**, as reported by the BLS, showed job openings ticked up in August to 7.23 M from 7.21 M in July. The hiring rate declined to 3.2% from 3.3% and the quits rate fell to 1.9% from 2.0%.
- **The ISM Manufacturing Index** rose 0.4 points in September to 49.1, but remains below the 50 threshold which signals contraction.



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