

Mortgage Rates Continue to Move Down

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MCLEAN, Va., July 08, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- <u>Freddie Mac</u> (OTCQB: FMCC) today released the results of its <u>Primary Mortgage Market Survey</u> (PMMS[®]), showing that the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage (FRM) averaged 2.90 percent.

"Mortgage rates decreased this week following the dip in U.S. Treasury yields. While mortgage rates tend to follow Treasury yields closely, other factors can be impactful such as the labor markets, which are continuing to improve per last week's jobs report," said Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's Chief Economist. "We expect economic growth to gradually drive interest rates higher, but homebuyers and refinance borrowers still have an opportunity to take advantage of 30-year rates that are expected to continue to hover around three percent."

News Facts

<u>30-year fixed-rate mortgage</u> averaged 2.90 percent with an average 0.6 point for the week ending July 8, 2021, down from last week when it averaged 2.98 percent. A year ago at this time, the 30-year FRM averaged 3.03 percent.

Primary Mortgage Market Survey®



U.S. weekly average mortgage rates as of July 8, 2021.

- <u>15-year fixed-rate mortgage</u> averaged 2.20 percent with an average 0.7 point, down from last week when it averaged 2.26 percent. A year ago at this time, the 15-year FRM averaged 2.51 percent.
- <u>5-year Treasury-indexed hybrid adjustable-rate mortgage</u> (ARM) averaged 2.52 percent with an average 0.2 point, down from last week when it averaged 2.54 percent. A year ago at this time, the 5-year ARM averaged 3.02 percent.

The PMMS[®] is focused on conventional, conforming, fully amortizing home purchase loans for borrowers who put 20 percent down and have excellent credit. Average commitment rates should be reported along with average fees and points to reflect the total upfront cost of obtaining the mortgage. Visit the following link for the <u>Definitions</u>. Borrowers may still pay closing costs which are not included in the survey.

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