

Mortgage Rates Continue to Climb Up

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MCLEAN, Va., March 02, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- <u>Freddie Mac</u> (OTCQB: FMCC) today released the results of its <u>Primary Mortgage Market Survey</u> (PMMS®), showing the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage (FRM) averaged 6.65 percent.

"As we started the year, the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage decreased with expectations of lower economic growth, inflation and a loosening of monetary policy. However, given sustained economic growth and continued inflation, mortgage rates boomeranged and are inching up toward seven percent," said Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's Chief Economist. "Lower mortgage rates back in January brought buyers back into the market. Now that rates are moving up, affordability is hindered and making it difficult for potential buyers to act, particularly for repeat buyers with existing mortgages at less than half of current rates."

Primary Mortgage Market Survey®



U.S. weekly average mortgage rates as of 03/02/2023

News Facts

- 30-year fixed-rate mortgage averaged 6.65 percent as of March 2, 2023, up from last week when it averaged 6.50 percent. A year ago at this time, the 30-year FRM averaged 3.76 percent.
- <u>15-year fixed-rate mortgage</u> averaged 5.89 percent, up from last week when it averaged 5.76 percent. A year ago at this time, the 15-year FRM averaged 3.01 percent.

The PMMS[®] is focused on conventional, conforming, fully amortizing home purchase loans for borrowers who put 20 percent down and have excellent credit. For more information, view our <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u>.

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