



## Heading into the Holidays, Mortgage Rates Increase

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MCLEAN, Va., Dec. 19, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- [Freddie Mac](#) (OTCQB: FMCC) today released the results of its [Primary Mortgage Market Survey®](#) (PMMS®), showing the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage (FRM) averaged 6.72 percent.

"This week, mortgage rates crept up to a similar average as this time in 2023," said Sam Khater, Freddie Mac's Chief Economist. "For the most part, mortgage rates have moved between 6 and 7 percent over the last 12 months. Homebuyers are slowly digesting these higher rates and are gradually willing to move forward with buying a home, resulting in additional purchase activity."

### News Facts

- The [30-year FRM](#) averaged 6.72 percent as of December 19, 2024, up from last week when it averaged 6.60 percent. A year ago at this time, the 30-year FRM averaged 6.67 percent.
- The [15-year FRM](#) averaged 5.92 percent, up from last week when it averaged 5.84 percent. A year ago at this time, the 15-year FRM averaged 5.95 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 [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

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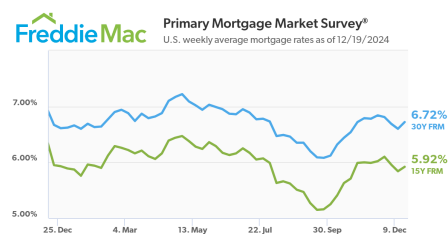
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### Primary Mortgage Market Survey®



U.S. weekly average mortgage rates as of 12/19/2024