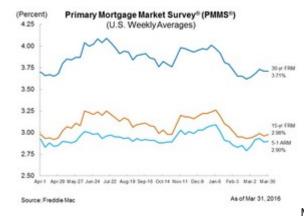


## Mortgage Rates Little Changed

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MCLEAN, VA--(Marketwired - Mar 31, 2016) - Freddie Mac (OTCQB: FMCC) today

released the results of its <u>Primary Mortgage Market Survey®</u> (PMMS®), showing mortgage rates mixed and largely unchanged from the previous week.

## **News Facts**

- <u>30-year fixed-rate mortgage</u> (FRM) averaged 3.71 percent with an average 0.5 point for the week ending March 31, 2016, unchanged from last week. A year ago at this time, the 30-year FRM averaged 3.70 percent.
- <u>15-year FRM</u> this week averaged 2.98 percent with an average 0.4 point, up from last week when it averaged 2.96 percent. A year ago at this time, the 15-year FRM averaged 2.98 percent.
- <u>5-year Treasury-indexed hybrid adjustable-rate mortgage</u> (ARM) averaged 2.90 percent this week with an average 0.5 point, up from last week when it averaged 2.89 percent. A year ago, the 5-year ARM averaged 2.92 percent.

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.

## Quote

Attributed to Sean Becketti, chief economist, Freddie Mac.

"Dovish comments by Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen on Tuesday triggered a rally in Treasury markets and drove the 10-year yield down 13 basis points from last week's high. Yellen's comments came too late to affect this week's mortgage rate survey, and the 30-year mortgage rate remained unchanged at 3.71 percent. However, if the Fed's cautious tone persists, mortgage rates may register the impact in subsequent weeks."

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