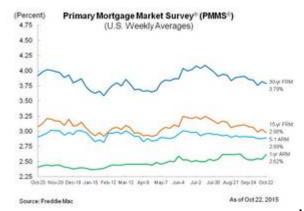


Fixed Mortgage Rates Move Lower

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MCLEAN, VA--(Marketwired - Oct 22, 2015) - <u>Freddie Mac</u> (OTCQB: FMCC) today released the results of its <u>Primary Mortgage Market Survey®</u> (PMMS®), showing average fixed mortgage rates following Treasury yields lower, which continues to benefit the housing market.

News Facts

- 30-year fixed-rate mortgage (FRM) averaged 3.79 percent with an average 0.6 point for the week ending October 22, 2015, down from last week when it averaged 3.82 percent. A year ago at this time, the 30-year FRM averaged 3.92 percent.
- <u>15-year FRM</u> this week averaged 2.98 percent with an average 0.5 point, down from last week when it averaged 3.03 percent. A year ago at this time, the 15-year FRM averaged 3.08 percent.
- <u>5-year Treasury-indexed hybrid adjustable-rate mortgage</u> (ARM) averaged 2.89 percent this week with an average 0.4 point, up from last week when it averaged 2.88 percent. A year ago, the 5-year ARM averaged 2.91 percent.
- 1-year Treasury-indexed ARM averaged 2.62 percent this week with an average 0.2 point, up from 2.54 percent last week. At this time last year, the 1-year ARM averaged 2.41 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 links for the <u>Regional and National Mortgage Rate Details</u> and <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.

"Following Federal Reserve Governor Daniel Tarullo's remarks last week Treasury yields dipped. In response, 30-year mortgage rates fell 3 basis points this week to 3.79 percent. The housing market continues to benefit from low mortgage rates, with housing starts for September beating expectations and the NAHB's Housing Market index registering a ten year high in October."

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