



Linda's Mortgage Update

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**Week of
February 1,
2009**

**Mortgage
Market
Commentary**

While positive economic news has been scant recently, news that is bad, but better than feared, has almost become good news. The nation's GDP fell to -3.8%, the lowest in 28 years, but still higher than the -5.5% that was anticipated. Consumer Confidence continues to drop along with new home sales. Driven by foreclosures, existing home sales did spike upward last month. Low prices, along with low mortgage rates, do appear to be drawing buyers into the market. The Fed's meeting last week held few surprises. Rates remain unchanged and the Fed remains committed to keeping rates low. It appears likely that mortgage rates will stay on the low side for the foreseeable future.

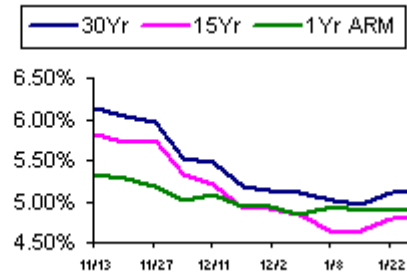
This week is another busy week for markets, ending with the all-important monthly employment report. If we see unemployment climbing, we'll likely see rates staying low, or even inching lower. Political news will be important this week with Congress hashing out the next stimulus package. The final pieces of the bill will influence mortgage rates, but it could easily push them either way!

Mortgage Rates

Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey

	January 29	1/22/09
30 Year Fixed	5.10% ▼	5.12%
15 Year Fixed	4.80% ↔	4.80%
One Year ARM	4.90% ▼	4.92%

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Rates & Indexes

1 Yr T-Bill	0.430%
12 Mn Libor	1.975%
6 Mo Libor	1.660%
11 th D. COFI	3.155%
Prime	3.250%
Fed Fund	0.250%

Economic Snapshot

Gross Domestic Product

23-Dec ▼ %pt Chg
-3.8% 3.3
Economy Shrinking

Consumer Confidence

25-Nov ▼ pt Chg
37.7 0.9
Confidence Plunging

Housing Starts

22-Jan ▼ % Chg
550K 15.5%
Slowing Growth

Dow Jones

8,000.86

NASDAQ

1,476.42

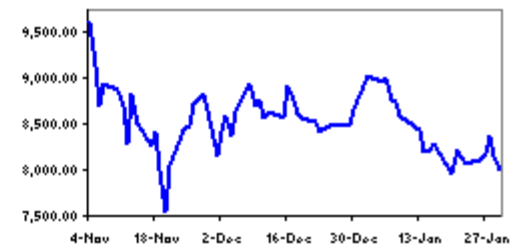
NYSE

5,195.79

S&P 500

825.88

Dow Jones



Unemployment Rate

5-Dec ▲ %pt Chg
7.2% 0.5
Unemployment Growing

US Retail Sales

15-Jan ▼ % Chg
343.2b 2.7%
Slowing Growth

Existing Home Sales

26-Jan ▲ % Chg
4.74m 6.5%
Slowing Growth

Leading Indicators (LEI)

18-Dec ▲ % Chg
99.5 0.3
Slowing Growth

Manufacturing Activity

1-Dec ▼ pt Chg
32.4 3.8
Manufacturing Contracting

New Home Sales

29-Jan ▼ % Chg
331K 14.7%
Slowing Growth

Worth Remembering



Destiny is no matter of chance. It is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved.

William J. Bryan

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