

WEEKLY MARKET UPDATES

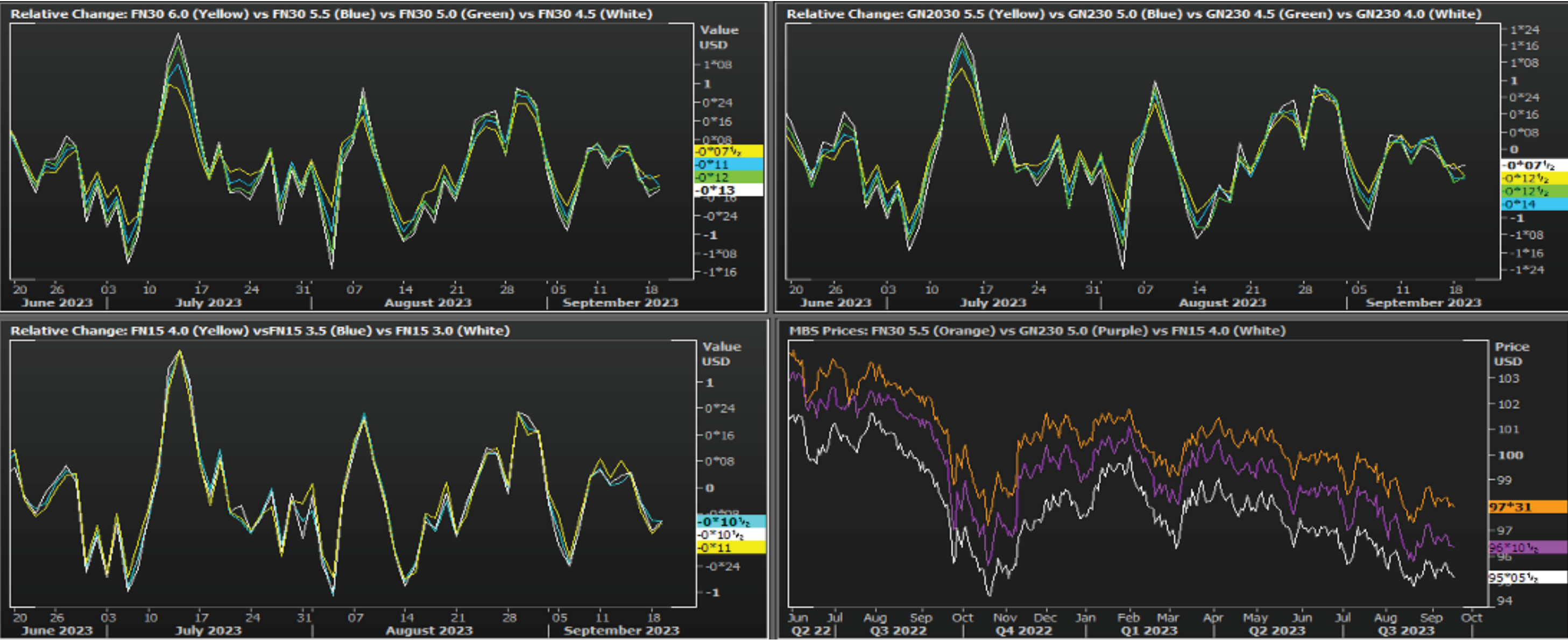
COMMENTARY FROM THE DENVER DESK...

Wednesday brings September's rate decision from the FOMC meeting which is overwhelmingly expected to leave the benchmark rate at its current level of 525-500 basis points. The Fed is tepidly considering any additional rate moves this year, after lowering the inflation rate dramatically over the past year and signs of weakness in the job market showing since May. Chances of another hike through the end of the year, meeting on December 13th, are only being considered at about a third probability according to the CME Group's Fed Watch tool. The second half of the week remains relatively quiet, with just the existing home sales metric likely to drive market movement. It is expected to be ever so slightly higher than last month at 4.1 million – a 10-year low excluding the spring of 2020.

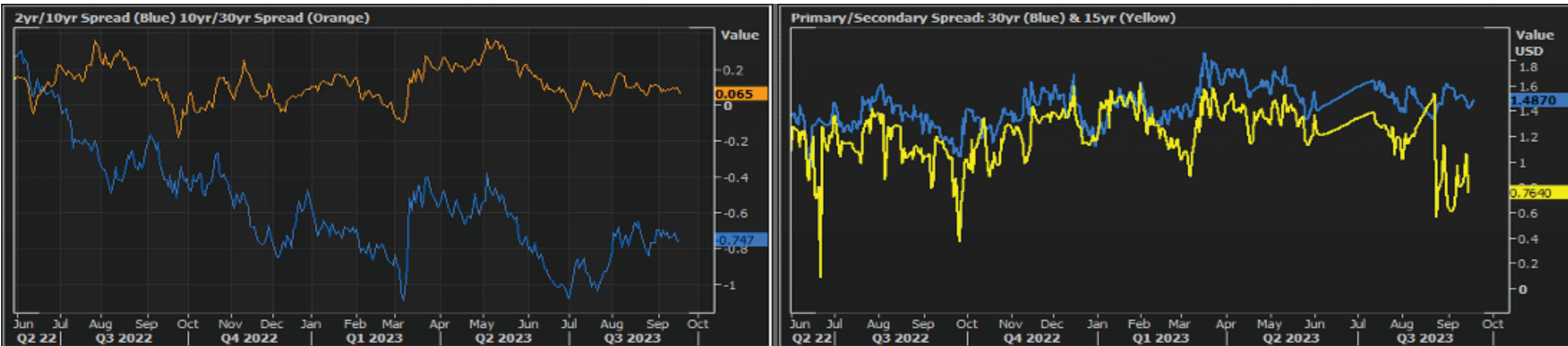
In the broader economy, labor strikes returned to the headlines as designated sections of the United Autoworkers union went to the picket line after failing to reach deals with the Big-3 Detroit auto manufacturers. In a new strategy, the strikes are only taking place at a small number of factories; however, the integrated fashion of modern auto manufacturing means these isolated strikes have far reaching consequences up and down the supply chain. While a deal is likely on the horizon inside of the next week, the trend seems to be a greater influence on wages being played by organized labor throughout the economy.

MARKET INDICATORS

BENCHMARK	FN30 CURRENT CPN	FN30 6.5	FN15 5.0	GNII30 6.0	OBMMI 30-YR RATE
ONE WEEK AGO	6.077	101 8/32	98 8/32	100 3/32	7.175
CURRENT	6.117	101 2/32	98 4/32	100 4/32	7.194
DELTA	0.040	-0.188	-0.125	0.031	0.019



BENCHMARK	SOFR	UST 2-YR. YIELD	UST 10-YR. YIELD	UST 30-YR. YIELD	10-YR./30-YR. SPREAD
ONE WEEK AGO	5.300	5.001	4.280	4.365	0.085
CURRENT	5.310	5.090	4.341	4.406	0.065
DELTA	-0.010	0.089	0.061	0.041	-0.020



– Prices/Yields are current as of 12:00am EST on September 19, 2023 –

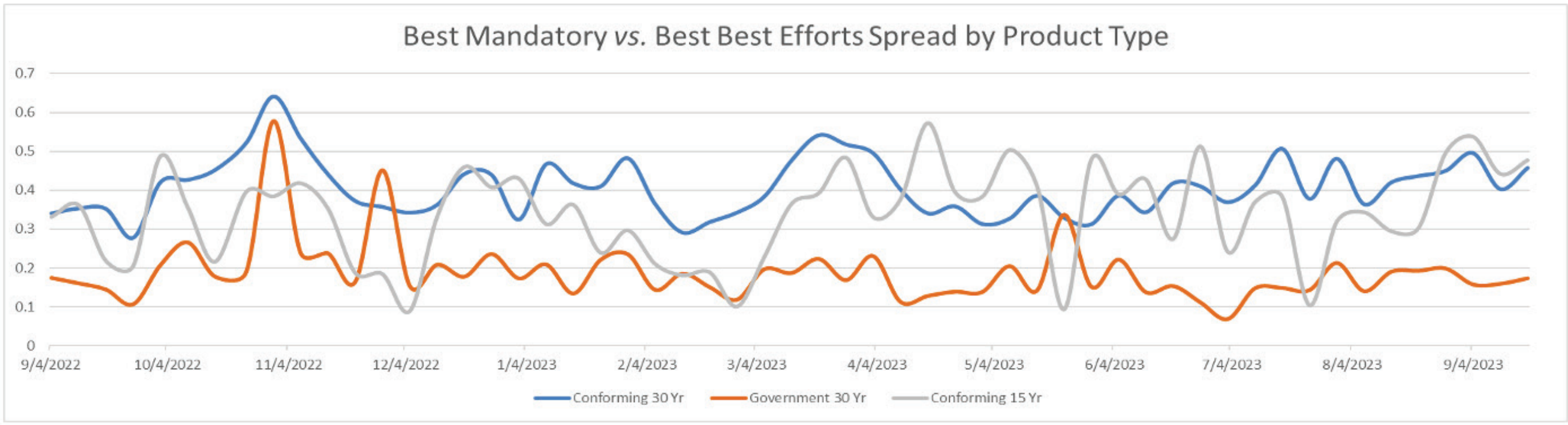
ECONOMIC DATA

Housing Starts	August	July	June	3-MO Moving Average	1-YR Moving Average
ACTUAL	1,280,000	1,452,000	1,434,000	1,388,667	1,420,667
EXPECTED	1,450,000	1,448,000	1,480,000		
CHANGE	(172,000)	18,000	14,000		



BEST EFFORTS – MANDATORY SPREAD INDEX

	Conforming 30-Year	Government 30-Year	Conforming 15-Year
Weekly	0.458	0.173	0.478
30 days	0.452	0.172	0.489
90 days	0.430	0.157	0.371
1 year	0.413	0.190	0.340



LIGHT READING

[REUTERS: Yellen says U.S. 'soft landing' can weather strike, govt shutdown, student loan risks](#)

ECONOMIC CALENDAR: DATA and EVENTS

TIME (ET)	REPORT	PERIOD	ACTUAL	MEDIAN FORECAST	PREVIOUS
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 20					
2:00 PM	Fed interest-rate decision				
2:30 PM	Fed Chair Powell press conference				
THURSDAY, SEPT. 21					
8:30 AM	Initial jobless claims	Sept. 16		225000.00	220000.00
8:30 AM	Philadelphia Fed manufacturing survey	Sept.		0.00	12.00
8:30 AM	U.S. current account deficit	Q2		-\$222.5B	-\$219.3BN
10:00 AM	U.S. leading economic indicators	Aug.		(0)	(0)
10:00 AM	Existing home sales	Aug.		4.10 million	4.07 million
FRIDAY, SEPT. 22					
8:50 AM	Fed Gov. Lisa Cook speaks				
9:45 AM	S&P flash U.S. services PMI	Sept.		50.70	50.50
9:45 AM	S&P flash U.S. manufacturing PMI	Sept.		48.30	47.90
10:00 AM	Boston Fed President Collins speaks				
1:00 PM	Minneapolis Fed President Neel Kashkari speaks				
1:00 PM	San Francisco Fed President Mary Daly speaks				
MONDAY, SEPT. 25					
	None scheduled				
TUESDAY, SEPT. 26					
8:30 AM	New home sales	Aug.			714,000
9:00 AM	S&P Case-Shiller home price index (20 cities)	July			0
10:00 AM	Consumer confidence	Sept.			106.10