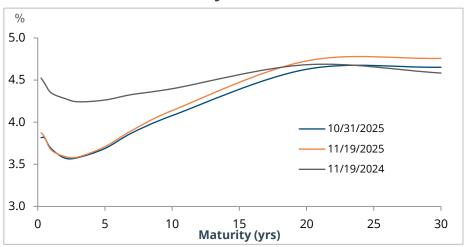
IR+M Weekly Fixed Income Market Update: November 14 – November 20, 2025

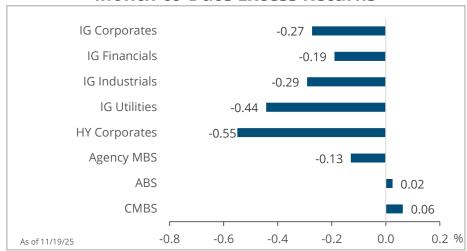
- The market tone turned cautious as investors prepared for artificial intelligence-related earnings reports and the return of economic data releases, following the longest government shutdown in US history
- October FOMC meeting minutes revealed members continued to disagree on whether inflation or the labor market poses the bigger risk to the economy
 - Many members prefer to hold rates steady until 2026, while some believe another rate cut is warranted
 - The market-implied probability of a December rate cut has fallen from nearly 100% in October to just 29% as of last night's close
- The September jobs report was released and likely did little to sway the Federal Reserve one way or the other; nonfarm payrolls rose 119k while the unemployment rate increased to 4.4%
- Treasury yields were slightly higher week-over-week as investors lowered expectations of another rate cut in 2026, with the 2-year rate 2bps higher to 3.59%
- Investment-grade (IG) companies issued over \$47 billion this week, more than double estimates of \$20 billion; supply typically decelerates from Thanksgiving through the rest of the year
 - There were small signs of supply indigestion as one deal was pulled – a rarity in the IG market – while some others experienced elevated attrition rates
 - Investment-grade corporate spreads widened 1bp to 83bps
- Rising credit concerns and the potential for a higher-for-longer rate environment pushed high-yield spreads 17bps wider to 300bps; CCC rated spreads surpassed 660bps for the first time since June
 - Four issuers priced new debt despite the softer tone, totaling roughly \$5 billion
- Agency mortgage-backed securities (MBS) underperformed Treasuries and securitized sectors amid an increase in rate volatility
- Municipal supply totaled over \$10 billion this week, bringing the year-to-date total to \$516 billion, almost 15% ahead of last year's pace

Treasury Yield Curve



Maturity	2-year	5-year	10-year	20-year	30-year
11/19/25	3.59	3.71	4.14	4.73	4.76
MTD Change	0.02	0.02	0.06	0.10	0.11

Month-to-Date Excess Returns



Sources: Bloomberg and Bloomberg Index Services Limited. All commentary and data as of 11/20/25 unless otherwise noted.

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