



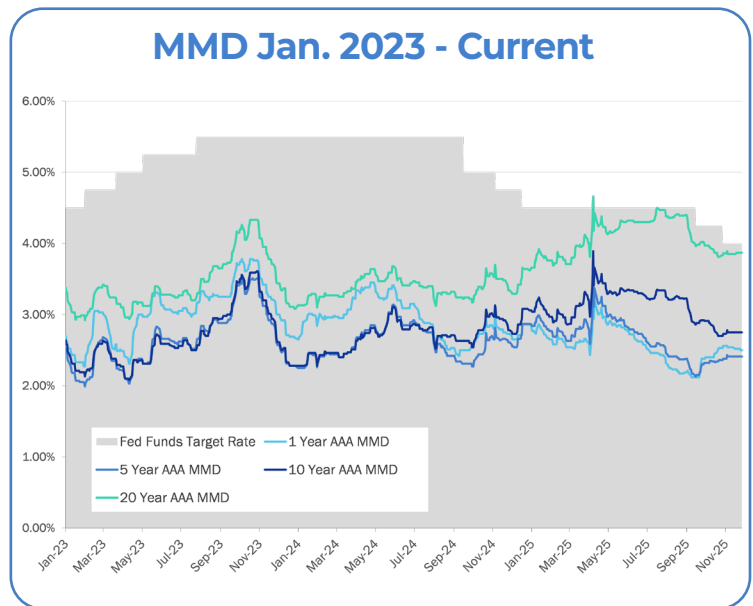
Key Data Released After US Government Reopens

After Congress failed to pass funding legislation for the 2026 fiscal year by the end of September, the federal government entered a 43-day shutdown that paused various programs and services, including the release of critical economic data points. The conclusion of the longest shutdown in the nation's history led to the release of the highly anticipated September jobs report, largely viewed as the weight that would tip the scales of the Federal Open Market Committee's (FOMC) decision regarding its December decision on the federal funds rate. While tariffs and inflation were the economy's main concerns in the first half of 2025, continuously growing worries over the health of the labor market have shifted the jobs report to greater significance and forced the Federal Reserve (the "Fed") to carefully gauge its path forward.

The latest update from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) showed that the US economy added 119,000 jobs in the month of September, beating expectations of 51,000. However, the unemployment rate ticked up to 4.4%, which exceeded the 4.3% expected and reached the highest rate since October 2021. These contrasting statistics are the final significant information that the FOMC will have on the labor market prior to its next meeting on December 9 and 10. The Department of Labor has announced that it will not release a full October jobs report because of the government shutdown but may release partial data on December 16. Whereas the Fed was highly anticipated to continue its course of decreasing the federal funds rate at its next meeting, a muddled jobs report and sticky CPI readings have quickly shifted the odds of a cut from a certainty to a coin flip. September's CPI report showed a 0.3% monthly increase, pushing the annual rate to 3.0%, a jump from the 2.9% observed in the month prior.

In the period between October 20th and November 28th, the 10-year Treasury yield has edged higher by 2 bps (basis points) and currently yields 4.02%. In the same period, the 10-year Municipal Market Data Index (MMD) rose by 1 bp and currently yields 2.75%. The ratio of these two measures, 68.41% (as of November 28th), indicates that munis are strong to Treasury securities given that the median ratio this year is 73.18%. While yields for both indices may rise or fall based on

the actions of the FOMC, expectations of a rate cut, or rate hike, are often priced into the curves before those events occur. As the odds of a cut in December have decreased, yields in both indices have started to increase. The four-week period ending November 19th saw the municipal market experience net new inflows of \$6.078 billion, supporting the notion of significant market demand. The graph below illustrates MMD rates since January 2023.



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