STOCKS

6-MO T-BILLS		30-YR T-BONDS		CRUDE OIL	
.11%	▲ +.01	2.47%	▼ -.05	$47.51	▲

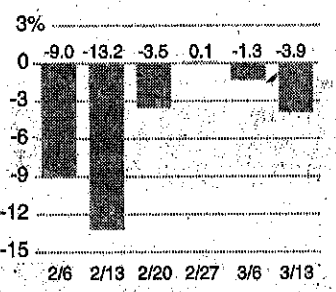
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Housing bellwether

Average mortgage interest rates are hovering near historically low levels just as the spring home-buying season gets started.

But has that spurred more would-be homebuyers to apply for a mortgage? Not consistently. The Mortgage Bankers Association's weekly survey of mortgage applications has mostly been down in recent weeks. The MBA's latest home loan applications figures are due out today.

Mortgage applications survey
seasonally adjusted percent change



Source: FactSet