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Headline: The \$27 Trillion Treasury Market Is Only Getting Bigger

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**Summary:** The amount of bills—those with maturities of one year or shorter—has risen to 22.4% of debt outstanding, above the recommended 20% limit set by the borrowing committee that advises the government. Demand has been more than adequate. Investors still aren't requiring extra compensation to hold longer-term Treasurys. The so-called term premium is actually negative. One reason demand for Treasurys remains solid: fewer alternatives. Many companies issued long-term bonds when the pandemic sent rates near zero, then slowed borrowing when the Fed started raising them. The market for mortgage-backed securities is nearly frozen, with few Americans moving in the most expensive housing market in decades.

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