## Midwest Framing Lumber Brief

	This Week	Weekly Change	Last Year	Composite Average	OSB Average
2X4 UTILITY SPF KD	340	5	262	520	Weekly OSB Average
2X6 SYP KD	390	-10	355		520
2X10 SYP KD	295	0	324		480
2X12 SYP KD	396	-2	428		440
2X4 92-5/8 STUD SPF KD	330	0	286		420
2X4 104-5/8 STUD SPF KD	380	10	301	360	380
2X6 104-5/8 STUD SPF KD	475	5	320		340
4X8 7/16 OSB	310	10	282		320
4X8 23/32 OSB T&G	470	10	430		280
COMPOSITE AVERAGE	376	3	332		260 4 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2
Prices are F.O.B. Mill, excluding freight				9/4/15 11/4/16 3/4/16 3/4/16 5/4/16 11/4/17 3/4/17 5/4/17 5/4/17 11/4/17	9/4/15 1/4/16 3/4/16 5/4/16 9/4/16 1/4/17 3/4/17 5/4/17 5/4/17 1/4/17

2018 got off to a slowish start as winter weather gripped a large part of the country, slowing the overall pace of trading. Inventories at the distribution level continued to be on the light side, but reports that more volume was showing up on broker lists were common.

The weather did impact supply negatively in the SE where frozen pipes caused short-term closures, but that was largely viewed as a very temporary situation. Contract loads are becoming more plentiful and could cause market softness in the coming weeks on some panel and stud items.

Trucking is getting tighter as new federal regulations requiring drivers to use electronic log books leave no room for slop. Glad to see 2017 in the rear view – 2018 is upon us!

All items are priced as a **general market** guide. Please call our sales office for specific quotes in your respective market.