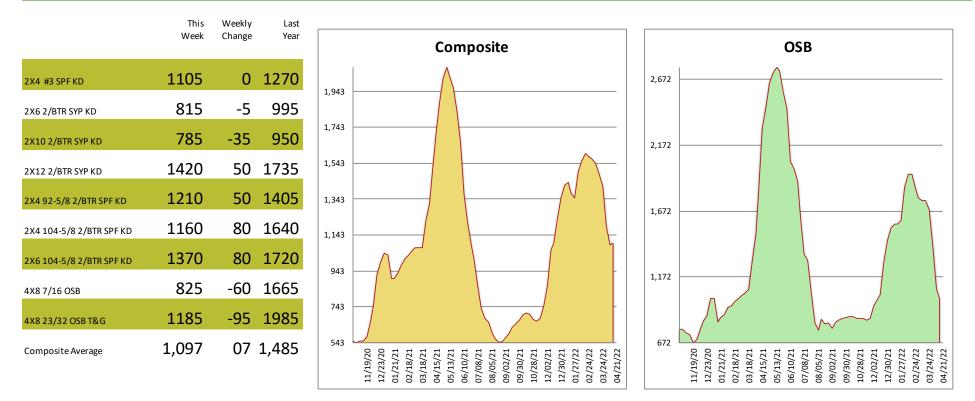


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After weeks of softness in the market, often to the tune of triple-digits, the tone changed this week. Buyers stepped into the market and covered needs over the past 5 or 6 business days, and mills firmed. Deep counters disappeared and gave way to market firmness. Lumber futures saw the strongest week since March. There is little doubt that a bounce is in place - question is how much of a bounce? Could be a classic DCB - time will tell. Housing starts for March show multifamily leading the way. In the big picture, rising interest rates and home price increases mean serious affordability issues are likely to hamper single family construction in the latter half of 2022 and beyond.