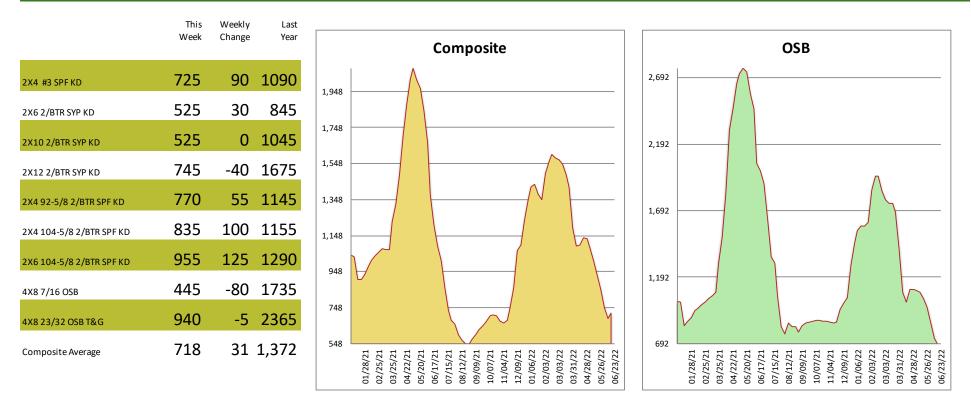


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Dimension lumber and studs found a trading level late last week and are on the rise. Lumber futures saw a strong week overall and regained some ground, helping drive SPF cash prices higher with other species following. Traders who have been content to remain on the sidelines have jumped in to replenish, but largely for immediate needs only as uncertainty in the broader economy continues to be disconcerting. Panels did not follow suit, with OSB again leading the market down as plywood followed. Reports that OSB manufacturers are turning down volume offers at steep discounts circulated widely, causing buyers to speculate that a panel bounce may be just around the corner. Best to plan ahead for jobsite needs as we approach July 4th.