

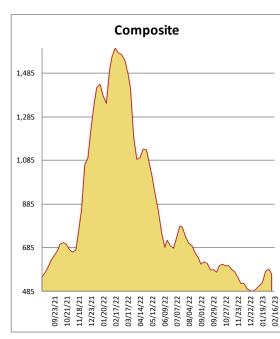
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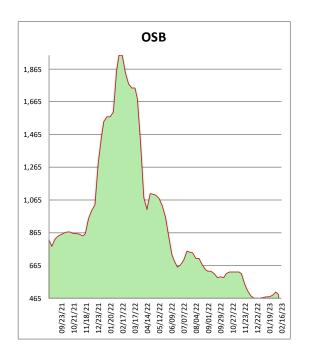
Midwest Framing Lumber Brief

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	This Week	Weekly Change	Last Year
2X4 #3 SPF KD	440	-30	1340
2X6 2/BTR SYP KD	595	0	1415
2X10 2/BTR SYP KD	540	0	1315
2X12 2/BTR SYP KD	700	-15	1500
2X4 92-5/8 2/BTR SPF KD	495	-45	1470
2X4 104-5/8 2/BTR SPF KD	525	-75	1500
2X6 104-5/8 2/BTR SPF KD	800	-25	1580
4X8 7/16 OSB	345	5	1850
4X8 23/32 OSB T&G	635	-35	2050
Composite Average	564	-24	1,558





This week's word for the commodity markets is "slothfulness" as there was little inspiration for buyers to buy anything beyond immediate needs. For the third week price erosion prevailed on all but a handful of items. Futures continued to slide and SPF cash prices slid right along with them. In SYP dimension, the recent run up reversed course on all but 2x4 and 2x12. Green DF narrows showed vulnerability, as did KD DF. In the panel world, OSB continues to drift sideways to down in most regions as contracts need to be moved. Plywood is in slightly better shape, but nothing to write home about. A number of positive economic reports released this week would lend one to believe that the Fed may cool their jets on these rate increases, but nothing is certain. We are plum out of football, but golf fans will be watching Tiger's return to the PGA tour this weekend. We have crossed the halfway point in February - here's to more daylight!