

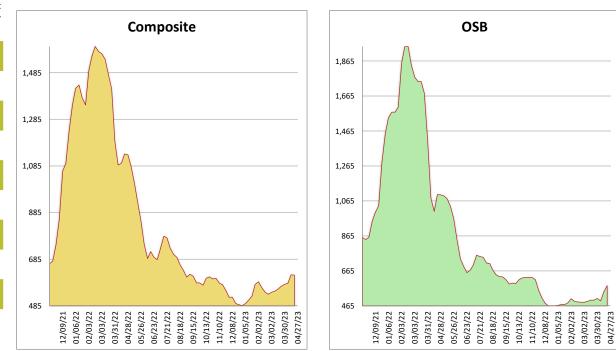
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Midwest Framing Lumber Brief

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	This	Weekly	Last	_
	Week	Change	Year	
2X4 #3 SPF KD	460	-15	1155	1
2X6 2/BTR SYP KD	545	5	815	
2X10 2/BTR SYP KD	500	-5	775	1
2X12 2/BTR SYP KD	1025	0	1420	1
2X4 92-5/8 2/BTR SPF KD	525	-35	1290	1
2X4 104-5/8 2/BTR SPF KD	570	-20	1235	
2X6 104-5/8 2/BTR SPF KD	770	-5	1340	
4X8 7/16 OSB	450	35	890	
4X8 23/32 OSB T&G	710	35	1315	
Composite Average	617	-01	1,137	



Lumber markets seemed to lose some of their mojo this week. Buyers felt little pressure to cover all but the most urgent of needs, even with mill order files pushing deeper into May. SYP was slow this week except 12-inch. The same could be said for SPF, and the party that has been GDF appears to have made 'last call' for now - ("You don't have to go home but you can't stay here.") OSB has been climbing, harder in the east than in the west, but is also showing signs of slowing. SYP plywood has continued to be somewhat lackluster, while western fir plywood has slightly more life. Futures puked again this week as the final carload contract session nears it's end and the board changes completely over to the new "mini's" in T/L's. Confidence will need to be built for the new contract to get more participation. April weather turns to May and will make for some sunnier days ahead - but will the housing industry have the HP to capitalize on better weather nationally?