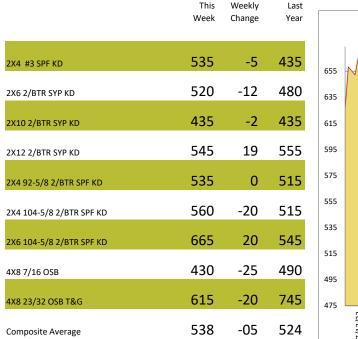


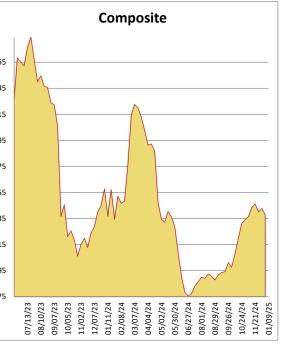
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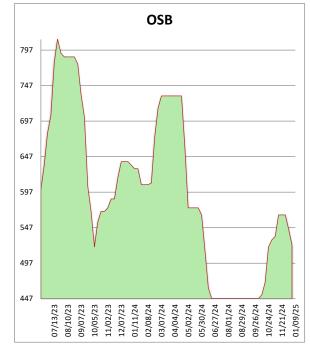
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Welcome to 2025, friends. If you're tuning in late to the program, here's the deal. Markets are generally slow as winter weather grinds activity to a standstill in a large swath of the country. Mills, though, aren't letting this stop them from raising prices. Concern that Trump is about to increase tariffs on Canadian lumber and panels has everyone nervous. Mills are either factoring in up to 25% in their quotes or neglecting to quote at all. Most mills believe there is about to be a serious run up in prices that will start north of the border. In the south, weather is hammering both production and supply this week - but again mills are holding prices looking for the Trump Bump. His plans to annex our neighbors to the north may take some time, but it would make those ugly tariffs go away, eh? Look for more emotion as we roll toward January 20th and beyond - and don't get caught flat-footed. Prayers for the LA area dealing with a January nightmare.