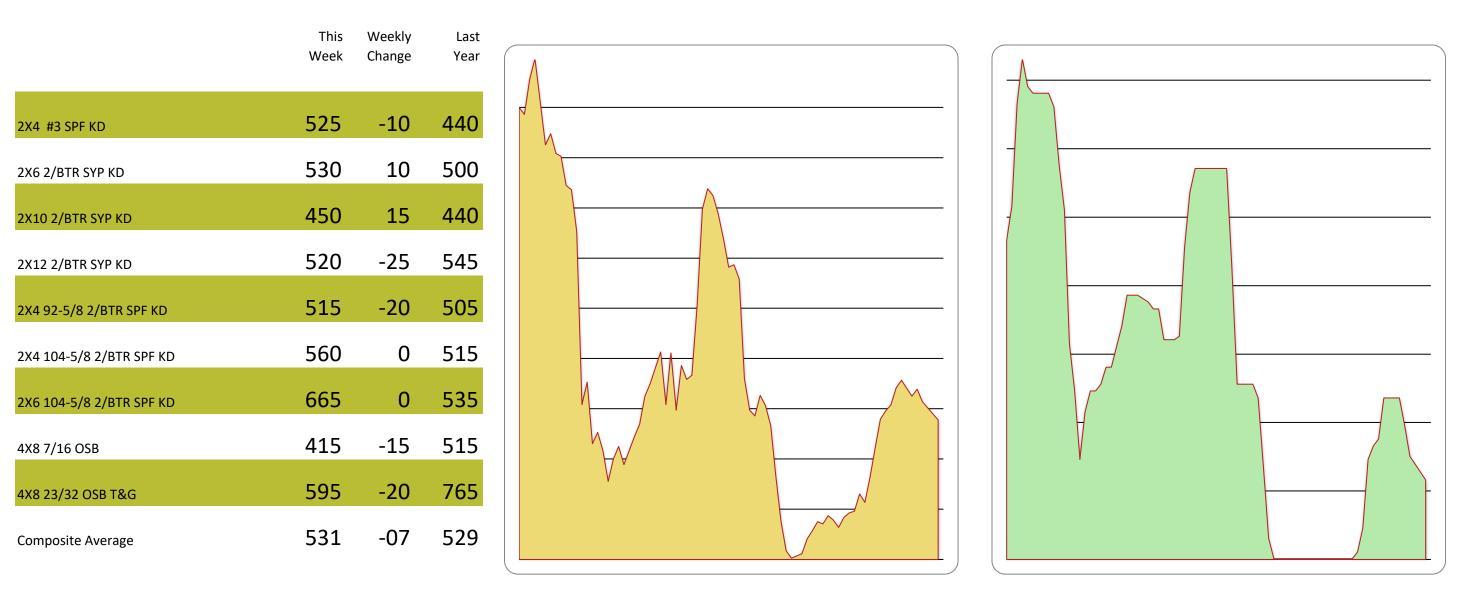


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Lumber markets were generally stable this week as winter weather continued to hamper demand in many parts of the country. A blast of cold Arctic air is forecast for the coming week, with temps dipping well below zero for the overnight lows in the Midwest and the East. Buyers and traders are watching closely as we enter the transition to the 2nd Trump term, wondering about potential tariffs. Time will tell if it's posturing or if it's truly going to happen. Canadian mills are nervous, but that's likely by design. OSB is struggling to hold ground, with double-digit reductions across all regions. Lots of pondering about how the California wildfires will impact that region, but that will take years to truly play out. One thing is certain - the trades will be in tight supply for years to come in California and the West. This weekend is one of the best for watching playoff football. It's down to eight teams now, and all of the games should be great. Enjoy!

