

# TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Newsletter (Beta)

## Week 62 – 11/30/14 Report

Open-ended responses for Questions #1, #4, and #5 start on page 3.

**Question #2. Based on any technical or fundamental indicators you want to use, would you guess that the S&P 500 index will move higher or lower next week? (from Monday's open to Friday's close; December 1-5)**

Higher: 51.5%

Lower: 48.5%

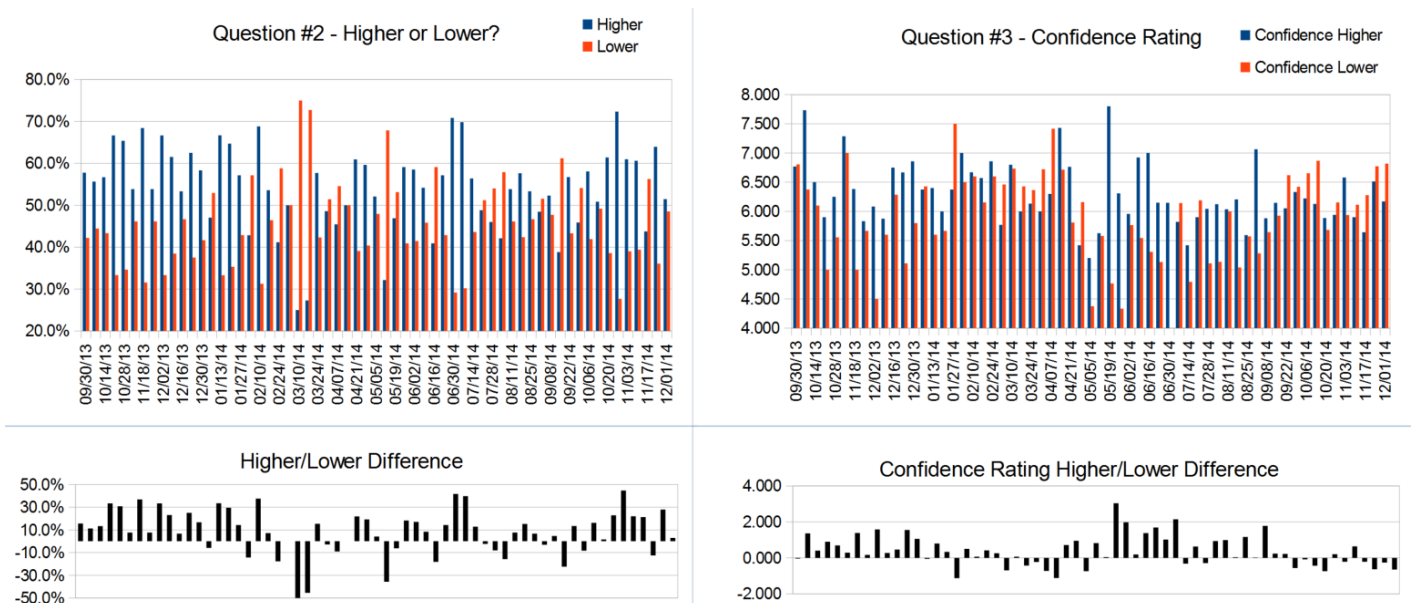
**Question #3. Rate your confidence in your answer to Question #2 on a scale of 0 to 10 (with 0 being no confidence and 10 being extremely confident).**

Average of All Guesses: 6.485

Average For "Higher" Guesses: 6.171

Average For "Lower" Guesses: 6.818

**Brief Analysis:** The overall sentiment from last week was correct as the S&P500 gained a slight 0.12% for the week ending November 28th. The bullish sentiment for this coming week is a little higher at 51.5% Higher to 48.5% Lower, however the bearish confidence is much higher than the bullish.



Raw Data Page (raw data files include full history spreadsheet and the above charts):  
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**Full Weekly Results (full version of this chart available in the [raw data](#) spreadsheet for this week, "Date" field below lists the Monday of the week being predicted).**

**Correct Percentage: 46.6%**

	Date	Higher	Lower	H/L Diff	Avg Confidence	Confidence Higher	Confidence Lower	Con Diff	Guess	Actual	Correct?
1	09/30/13	57.8%	42.2%	15.6%	6.784	6.769	6.806	-0.037	Higher	Lower	No
2	10/07/13	55.7%	44.4%	11.2%	7.130	7.733	6.375	1.358	Higher	Higher	Yes
3	10/14/13	56.7%	43.3%	13.3%	6.300	6.500	6.100	0.400	Higher	Higher	Yes
4	10/21/13	66.7%	33.3%	33.3%	5.600	5.900	5.000	0.900	Higher	Higher	Yes
5	10/28/13	65.4%	34.6%	30.8%	6.000	6.250	5.556	0.694	Higher	Higher	Yes
7	11/11/13	53.9%	46.2%	7.7%	7.154	7.286	7.000	0.286	Higher	Higher	Yes
8	11/18/13	68.4%	31.6%	36.8%	6.000	6.385	5.000	1.385	Higher	Higher	Yes
9	11/25/13	53.9%	46.2%	7.7%	5.750	5.833	5.667	0.166	Higher	Lower	No
10	12/02/13	66.7%	33.3%	33.3%	5.556	6.083	4.500	1.583	Higher	Lower	No
11	12/09/13	61.5%	38.5%	23.1%	5.769	5.875	5.600	0.275	Higher	Lower	No
12	12/16/13	53.3%	46.7%	6.7%	6.533	6.750	6.286	0.464	Higher	Higher	Yes
13	12/23/13	62.5%	37.5%	25.0%	6.083	6.667	5.111	1.556	Higher	Higher	Yes
14	12/30/13	58.3%	41.7%	16.7%	6.417	6.857	5.800	1.057	Higher	Lower	No
15	01/06/14	47.1%	52.9%	-5.9%	6.400	6.375	6.429	-0.054	Lower	Higher	No
16	01/13/14	66.7%	33.3%	33.4%	6.130	6.400	5.600	0.800	Higher	Lower	No
17	01/20/14	64.7%	35.3%	29.4%	5.875	6.000	5.667	0.333	Higher	Lower	No
18	01/27/14	57.1%	42.9%	14.3%	6.857	6.375	7.500	-1.125	Higher	Lower	No
19	02/03/14	42.9%	57.1%	-14.3%	6.706	7.000	6.500	0.500	Lower	Higher	No
20	02/10/14	68.8%	31.3%	37.6%	6.640	6.670	6.600	0.070	Higher	Higher	Yes
21	02/17/14	53.6%	46.4%	7.1%	6.370	6.571	6.154	0.417	Higher	Lower	No
22	02/24/14	41.2%	58.8%	-17.6%	6.706	6.857	6.600	0.257	Lower	Higher	No
23	03/03/14	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	6.115	5.769	6.462	-0.693	Lower	Higher	N/A
24	03/10/14	25.0%	75.0%	-50.0%	6.750	6.800	6.733	0.067	Lower	Lower	Yes
25	03/17/14	27.3%	72.7%	-45.5%	6.300	6.000	6.429	-0.429	Lower	Higher	No
26	03/24/14	57.7%	42.3%	15.4%	6.231	6.133	6.364	-0.231	Higher	Lower	No
27	03/31/14	48.6%	51.4%	-2.9%	6.371	6.000	6.722	-0.722	Lower	Higher	No
28	04/07/14	45.5%	54.5%	-9.1%	6.909	6.300	7.417	-1.117	Lower	Lower	Yes
29	04/14/14	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	7.071	7.429	6.714	0.715	Lower	Higher	N/A
30	04/21/14	60.9%	39.1%	21.9%	6.388	6.764	5.810	0.954	Higher	Lower	No
31	04/28/14	59.6%	40.4%	19.2%	5.700	5.419	6.158	-0.739	Higher	Higher	Yes
32	05/05/14	52.1%	47.9%	4.2%	4.796	5.200	4.375	0.825	Higher	Lower	No
33	05/12/14	32.1%	67.9%	-35.7%	5.593	5.625	5.579	0.046	Lower	Lower	Yes
34	05/19/14	46.9%	53.1%	-6.3%	6.188	7.800	4.765	3.035	Lower	Higher	No
35	05/26/14	59.1%	40.9%	18.2%	5.500	6.308	4.333	1.975	Higher	Higher	Yes
36	06/02/14	58.5%	41.5%	17.1%	5.875	5.957	5.765	0.192	Higher	Higher	Yes
37	06/09/14	54.2%	45.8%	8.3%	6.292	6.923	5.545	1.378	Higher	Lower	No
38	06/16/14	40.9%	59.1%	-18.2%	6.000	7.000	5.308	1.692	Lower	Higher	No
39	06/23/14	57.1%	42.9%	14.3%	5.714	6.150	5.133	1.017	Higher	Lower	No
40	06/30/14	70.8%	29.2%	41.7%	5.521	6.147	4.000	2.147	Higher	Higher	Yes
41	07/07/14	69.8%	30.2%	39.7%	5.920	5.821	6.143	-0.322	Higher	Lower	No
42	07/14/14	56.4%	43.6%	12.8%	5.145	5.419	4.792	0.627	Higher	Higher	Yes
43	07/21/14	48.8%	51.2%	-2.4%	6.049	5.900	6.190	-0.290	Lower	Higher	No
44	07/28/14	46.0%	54.0%	-8.0%	5.531	6.045	5.111	0.934	Lower	Lower	Yes
45	08/04/14	42.1%	57.9%	-15.8%	5.553	6.125	5.136	0.989	Lower	Higher	No
46	08/11/14	53.8%	46.2%	7.7%	6.019	6.036	6.000	0.036	Higher	Higher	Yes
47	08/18/14	57.6%	42.4%	15.3%	5.712	6.206	5.040	1.166	Higher	Higher	Yes
48	08/25/14	53.3%	46.7%	6.7%	5.583	5.594	5.571	0.023	Higher	Higher	Yes
49	09/01/14	48.5%	51.5%	-3.1%	6.144	7.064	5.280	1.784	Lower	Higher	No
50	09/08/14	52.3%	47.7%	4.6%	5.769	5.882	5.645	0.237	Higher	Lower	No
51	09/15/14	38.8%	61.2%	-22.4%	6.015	6.148	5.927	0.221	Lower	Higher	No
52	09/22/14	56.7%	43.3%	13.4%	6.299	6.053	6.621	-0.568	Higher	Lower	No
53	09/29/14	45.9%	54.1%	-8.2%	6.381	6.333	6.422	-0.089	Lower	Lower	Yes
54	10/06/14	58.1%	41.9%	16.1%	6.403	6.222	6.654	-0.432	Higher	Lower	No
55	10/13/14	50.8%	49.2%	1.6%	6.492	6.129	6.867	-0.738	Higher	Lower	No
56	10/20/14	61.4%	38.6%	22.8%	5.807	5.886	5.682	0.204	Higher	Higher	Yes
57	10/27/14	72.3%	27.7%	44.7%	6.000	5.941	6.154	-0.213	Higher	Higher	Yes
58	11/03/14	61.0%	39.0%	22.0%	6.329	6.580	5.938	0.642	Higher	Higher	Yes
59	11/10/14	60.6%	39.4%	21.2%	5.985	5.900	6.115	-0.215	Higher	Higher	Yes
60	11/17/14	43.8%	56.3%	-12.5%	6.000	5.643	6.278	-0.635	Lower	Higher	No
61	11/24/14	63.9%	36.1%	27.9%	6.607	6.513	6.773	-0.260	Higher	Higher	Yes
62	12/01/14	51.5%	48.5%	2.9%	6.485	6.171	6.818	-0.647	???	???	???

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**Question #1. What developing events (technical or fundamental) will you be watching out for next week (December 1-5) that might have a positive or negative impact on the S&P 500 and other US markets?**

- momentum
- Expect slow, go nowhere markets - December is usually a very quiet month
- Price of Crude. The recent drop in Crude Oil Prices this past week should have a very positive effect on most stocks (with perhaps the exception of oil producing stocks).  
As a result companies in the retail, transportation, manufacturing and service related industries should benefit.  
Consumers will pay at the as pumps freeing up spending money for retail and services.  
Manufacturers and miners will spend less in energy cost which will transfer to their bottom line. Transportation stocks will become more active as cheaper products will cause an increase in more consumer spending and economic activity.
- economy, ukraine
- Every week, watching ISIL, Fed reports, any news good or bad from oil producing regions. Watching standard indicators for over bought / over sold conditions.
- will be looking for any bounce in energy names and materials
- Black Friday results  
Oil price collapse  
ISIS  
Ukraine situation  
Employment Report
- Oil, retail results, ISM.
- Oil Prices. Unemployment rate.
- US Economy
- Technical - Ability of US markets to hold highs.
- Staying above 17790
- earnings, christmas season sales
- Price of oil, Europe
- None all news events are built into the price in advance.
- OPEC fallout, emerging markets and next Obama crisis
- Oil
- Continued un-rest in Ferguson, Mo. The E-mimis staying below 1170.
- Nothing fundamentally. Technically, any large one-day selloff would make me think the run up is over at least temporarily
- oil price
- price of oil, and other commodities  
Japanese and European interest rates
- Movement of US dollar
- Initial retail sales numbers

- Economic reports, Crude oil.
- Black Friday sales, employment report
- Black Friday vs. Turkey Thursdays retail comparison
- Swiss Gold Vote
- Oil prices. positive correlation to stocks
- Jobs report
- The price of oil.
- The upwards grinding price action should continue and may actually accelerate higher. I'll be watching for divergences in the VIX and other breadth measures to warn me that reversal risk is higher.
- Pure price action.
- Energy and earnings
- technical
- ECB bs on QE
- NFP, beginning of month
- Price action.
- US\$ index to correct hit support again around 87.50
- VIX to break 14
- NYSE continue to fall to support 10830
- ditto S&P 500 for correction
- NIKKEI unable to break resistance 17500
- Oil, Earnings, Retail Sales

**Question #4. Is there one thing that you believe is keeping you from becoming successful as a trader? Or, if you have achieved success: Was there one thing that was pivotal to you becoming successful?**

- discipline
- Stay disciplined to your program
- As a trader I now pay more attention to the technicals to determine when to enter a trade.
- Fear
- Now that I am retired, my new goal is income more than building wealth. With all trading including income generation, a disciplined approach is a key to success. You must write a great trade plan and stick with it, only changing one thing at a time if conditions truly show a change in your plan is needed.
- patience/commitment to positions is biggest problem for me. also: taking small profits and not taking losses when necessary
- Number one obstacle is self-discipline. Knowing when to take a loss and take a profit.
- I am successful because of I have a tested system (Trading and Money Management) and I follow it.
- no
- Discipline to the system, discipline to the profession, strong and smart work ethic, daily review/journals, keep errors to a minimum, practice, practice, practice, block out all other NOISE! No different actually to a world class professional in any sport, industry etc.
- Ability to implement trading plan flawlessly again and again
- too little time
- One thing that keeps me from becoming successful is the lack of patience
- Control of your mental process
- Government manipulation creates timing errors for swing traders.
- The gray matter between my ears. Not trading what I see on my charts because I am impatient.
- If I knew that, I'd be a successful trader.
- high commission cost at offshore brokerage
- I am successful; but, lack of time; too many irons in the fire; to be really successful; otherwise I am one of the most accomplished investors you will ever hear from. :)"
- Keeping my losses minimal by following strict guidelines on both the downside and upside.
- Buying at the right time is more important than buying the right stock.
- My biggest ongoing block is analysis "paralysis"
- Achieved success; total neutral (delta & vega): much more on the shorter time (with own developed stat algo) AND I KNOW WHY MATH/STAT; and stick to them
- The biggest obstacle is fear.
- Money management
- My impatience and fear of uncertainty get in my way if I'm not diligent about keeping them in check.
- Pessimism was harmful
- Insecurity
- OVERCOMING ANALYSIS PARALYSIS, TO REDUCE THE DECISION PROCESS TO A FEW BASIC STEPS.
- Using fibonacci greatly improved my success
- The main factor in making my options trading successful was understanding that by

applying statistical and probability analysis to the market, selling options was far more profitable than buying options.

- Becoming systematic and consistent was the biggest help in turning my P&L into a positive slope. I need to get better at managing my emotions and psychology though.
- My epiphany was since NOBODY knows what happens next, it does NOT matter what happens next. To be right or wrong in a trade is NOT a decision. It is just what happens. WHEN you find out what happens next, you DO have a decision. You either stay right or stay wrong.
- education
- confidence
- You have to keep at it with a positive attitude until you find what works for you. It took me 12 years to find what works for me.
- Always learning and looking at new ways of reading charts.
- better interpretation of fundamentals
- A solid trading plan.

## Question #5: Comments/Questions/Suggestions?

Thank you for all the feedback, feel free to [contact us](#) at any time with any other questions or comments.

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- What level of returns, on average, are investors targeting each year in their trading book?