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Question #1. Which direction do you think the S&P500 index will move from this coming Monday's open to Friday's close (March 5th to March 9th)?

(The order of possible responses to this question on the survey were randomized for each viewer.)

Higher: 58.5%

Lower: 41.5%

Higher/Lower Difference: 17.1%

Question #2. Rate your confidence in your answer to Question #2 by estimating the probability you have correctly predicted next week's market move.

Average of All Responses: 66.2%

Average For "Higher" Responses: 67.5%

Average For "Lower" Responses: 64.4%

Higher/Lower Difference: 3.1%

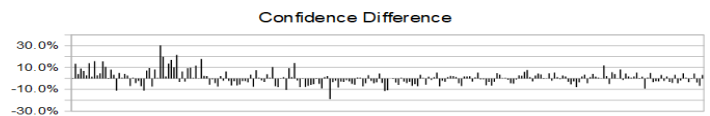
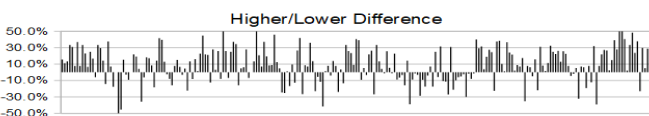
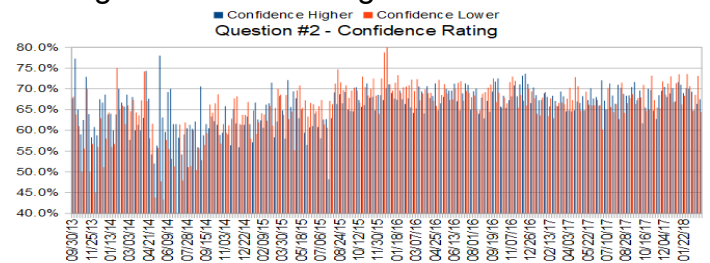
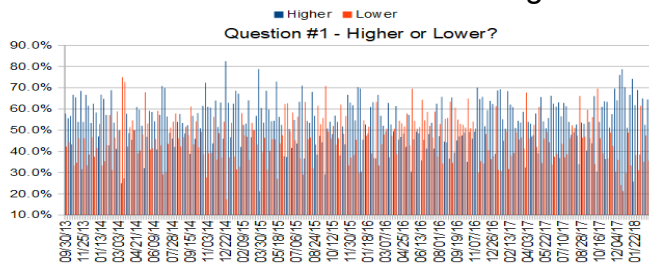
Responses Submitted This Week: 42

26-Week Average Number of Responses: 50.8

TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Prediction: 64% Chance Higher

This prediction is an attempt by the editor of this newsletter to use the full 4+ year history of data collected from this project to forecast a probability estimate for whether this week's sentiment is going to be correct and ultimately what the markets will do this coming week.

Details: Last week's majority sentiment was 64.4% Higher, and the Crowd Forecast Indicator prediction was 59% Chance Lower; the S&P500 closed 2.40% Lower for the week. This week's majority sentiment from the survey is 58.5% Higher with a greater average confidence from those who responded Higher. Similar conditions have been observed 55 times in the previous 231 weeks, with the majority sentiment being correct 64% of the time, with an average S&P500 move for the week of 0.42% Higher during those weeks. Based on that history, the TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Indicator is forecasting 64% Chance Higher for this coming week.



Raw Data Page (raw data files include full history spreadsheet and the above charts): TimingResearch.com/data.

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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).

Overall Sentiment All-Time "Correct" Percentage: 50.7%

Overall Sentiment 52-Week "Correct" Percentage: 49.0%

Overall Sentiment 12-Week "Correct" Percentage: 63.6%

Only the previous 52 weeks of data are shown below, please [download the raw data](#) to see the full range of past data.

181	03/13/17	53.5%	46.5%	7.0%	68.1%	69.3%	66.7%	2.7%	Higher	56%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.4%	2,371.56	2,378.25	6.69	0.28%
182	03/20/17	58.7%	41.3%	17.3%	67.4%	68.2%	66.3%	1.9%	Higher	64%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	51.1%	2,378.24	2,343.98	-34.26	-1.44%
183	03/27/17	32.4%	67.6%	-35.3%	66.6%	64.6%	67.6%	-3.1%	Lower	57%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	50.8%	2,329.11	2,362.72	33.61	1.44%
184	04/03/17	53.8%	46.2%	7.7%	67.3%	64.8%	70.2%	-5.4%	Higher	56%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	50.6%	2,362.34	2,355.54	-6.80	-0.29%
185	04/10/17	53.0%	47.0%	6.1%	65.8%	64.6%	67.3%	-2.7%	Higher	53%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	50.3%	2,357.16	2,328.95	-28.21	-1.20%
186	04/17/17	47.5%	52.5%	-4.9%	69.0%	64.8%	72.8%	-8.0%	Lower	56%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	50.0%	2,332.62	2,348.69	16.07	0.69%
187	04/24/17	57.9%	42.1%	15.8%	68.5%	67.0%	70.6%	-3.7%	Higher	56%	Lower	Higher	Yes	1	1	50.3%	2,370.33	2,384.20	13.87	0.59%
188	05/01/17	39.1%	60.9%	-21.2%	65.5%	66.6%	64.7%	1.9%	Lower	57%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	50.0%	2,388.50	2,399.29	10.79	0.45%
189	05/08/17	65.6%	34.4%	31.1%	67.1%	68.3%	64.8%	3.5%	Higher	64%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	49.7%	2,399.94	2,390.90	-9.04	-0.38%
190	05/15/17	54.1%	45.9%	8.2%	66.9%	64.9%	69.3%	-4.4%	Higher	55%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	49.5%	2,393.98	2,381.73	-12.25	-0.51%
191	05/22/17	50.8%	49.2%	1.6%	66.7%	67.3%	66.2%	1.1%	Higher	59%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	49.7%	2,387.21	2,415.82	28.61	1.20%
192	05/29/17	55.7%	44.3%	11.4%	68.3%	70.1%	66.0%	4.2%	Higher	62%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	50.0%	2,411.67	2,439.07	27.40	1.14%
193	06/05/17	66.2%	33.8%	32.4%	67.1%	67.7%	68.0%	1.6%	Higher	62%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	49.7%	2,437.83	2,431.77	-6.06	-0.25%
194	06/12/17	62.5%	37.5%	25.0%	67.7%	68.0%	67.3%	0.7%	Higher	60%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	50.0%	2,425.88	2,433.15	7.27	0.30%
195	06/19/17	61.1%	38.9%	22.2%	66.0%	65.9%	66.1%	-0.2%	Higher	52%	Lower	Lower	No	0	0	49.7%	2,442.55	2,438.30	-4.25	-0.17%
196	06/26/17	63.1%	36.9%	26.2%	67.7%	72.1%	60.2%	11.9%	Higher	69%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	49.5%	2,443.32	2,423.41	-19.91	-0.81%
197	07/03/17	56.5%	43.5%	12.9%	66.2%	67.1%	65.0%	2.1%	Higher	61%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	49.2%	2,431.39	2,425.18	-6.21	-0.26%
198	07/10/17	62.9%	37.1%	25.7%	67.0%	65.1%	70.2%	-5.1%	Higher	55%	Lower	Higher	Yes	1	1	49.5%	2,424.51	2,459.27	34.76	1.43%
199	07/17/17	61.3%	38.7%	22.6%	69.1%	71.3%	65.6%	5.7%	Higher	64%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	49.7%	2,459.50	2,472.54	13.04	0.53%
200	07/24/17	53.8%	46.2%	7.7%	66.5%	68.4%	64.4%	4.0%	Higher	61%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	50.0%	2,472.04	2,472.10	0.06	0.00%
201	07/31/17	47.8%	52.2%	-4.5%	66.3%	66.4%	66.3%	0.1%	Lower	57%	Lower	Higher	No	0	1	49.7%	2,475.94	2,476.83	0.89	0.04%
202	08/07/17	49.0%	51.0%	-2.0%	66.8%	71.0%	62.7%	8.3%	Lower	53%	Higher	Lower	Yes	1	0	50.0%	2,477.14	2,441.32	-35.82	-1.45%
203	08/14/17	52.6%	47.4%	5.3%	70.8%	70.2%	71.5%	-1.3%	Higher	52%	Lower	Lower	No	0	0	49.7%	2,454.96	2,425.55	-29.41	-1.20%
204	08/21/17	33.9%	66.1%	-32.2%	65.8%	68.8%	64.2%	4.5%	Lower	70%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	49.5%	2,425.50	2,443.05	17.55	0.72%
205	08/28/17	53.6%	46.4%	7.1%	67.5%	68.3%	66.5%	1.8%	Higher	73%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	49.8%	2,447.35	2,476.55	29.20	1.19%
206	09/04/17	53.0%	47.0%	6.1%	68.1%	68.4%	67.7%	0.7%	Higher	75%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	49.5%	2,470.35	2,461.43	-8.92	-0.36%
207	09/11/17	40.4%	59.6%	-19.3%	69.4%	70.4%	68.7%	1.8%	Lower	73%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	49.3%	2,474.52	2,500.23	25.71	1.04%
208	09/18/17	53.8%	46.2%	7.7%	69.2%	71.7%	66.4%	5.3%	Higher	68%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	49.0%	2,502.51	2,502.22	-0.29	-0.01%
209	09/25/17	43.9%	56.1%	-12.3%	67.5%	67.2%	67.8%	-0.6%	Lower	63%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	48.8%	2,499.39	2,519.36	19.97	0.80%
210	10/02/17	66.0%	34.0%	32.0%	69.0%	69.6%	67.9%	1.6%	Higher	61%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	49.0%	2,521.20	2,549.33	28.13	1.12%
211	10/09/17	30.4%	69.6%	-39.1%	68.4%	61.7%	70.9%	-9.3%	Lower	55%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	48.8%	2,551.39	2,553.17	1.78	0.07%
212	10/16/17	53.8%	46.2%	7.7%	65.1%	65.5%	64.7%	0.8%	Higher	59%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	49.0%	2,555.57	2,575.21	19.64	0.77%
213	10/23/17	61.0%	39.0%	22.0%	68.1%	70.0%	65.0%	5.0%	Higher	62%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	49.3%	2,578.08	2,581.07	2.99	0.12%
214	10/30/17	63.6%	36.4%	27.3%	70.9%	69.7%	73.2%	-3.4%	Higher	52%	Lower	Higher	Yes	1	1	49.5%	2,577.75	2,587.84	10.09	0.39%
215	11/06/17	63.3%	36.7%	26.7%	65.7%	64.7%	67.3%	-2.5%	Higher	52%	Lower	Lower	No	0	0	49.3%	2,587.47	2,582.30	-5.17	-0.20%
216	11/13/17	51.2%	48.8%	2.3%	64.1%	62.7%	65.5%	-2.8%	Higher	55%	Lower	Higher	Yes	1	1	49.5%	2,576.53	2,578.85	2.32	0.09%
217	11/20/17	57.5%	42.5%	15.0%	67.1%	68.5%	65.3%	3.2%	Higher	60%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	49.8%	2,579.49	2,602.42	22.93	0.89%
218	11/27/17	69.6%	30.4%	39.1%	70.2%	69.5%	71.8%	-2.3%	Higher	63%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	50.0%	2,602.66	2,642.22	39.56	1.52%
219	12/04/17	64.0%	36.0%	28.0%	69.8%	70.5%	68.6%	1.9%	Higher	58%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	49.8%	2,657.19	2,651.50	-5.69	-0.21%
220	12/11/17	76.0%	24.0%	52.0%	68.8%	68.0%	71.3%	-3.2%	Higher	67%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	50.0%	2,652.19	2,675.81	23.62	0.89%
221	12/18/17	78.7%	21.3%	57.4%	69.8%	68.9%	73.0%	-4.1%	Higher	70%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	49.8%	2,685.92	2,683.34	-2.58	-0.10%
222	12/25/17	70.2%	29.8%	40.4%	69.2%	70.2%	66.8%	3.4%	Higher	55%	Lower	Lower	No	0	0	49.5%	2,679.09	2,673.61	-5.48	-0.20%
223	01/01/18	51.1%	48.9%	2.2%	69.1%	67.0%	71.4%	-4.4%	Higher	52%	Lower	Higher	Yes	1	1	49.8%	2,683.73	2,743.15	59.42	2.21%
224	01/08/18	66.7%	33.3%	33.3%	72.3%	71.6%	73.5%	-1.9%	Higher	64%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	50.0%	2,742.67	2,786.24	43.57	1.59%
225	01/15/18	74.2%	25.8%	48.4%	69.8%	71.0%	66.3%	4.7%	Higher	73%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	50.2%	2,798.96	2,810.30	11.34	0.41%
226	01/22/18	61.8%	38.2%	23.6%	68.7%	69.0%	68.3%	0.6%	Higher	56%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	50.5%	2,809.16	2,872.87	63.71	2.27%
227	01/29/18	68.9%	31.1%	37.8%	71.2%	70.2%	73.6%	-3.4%	Higher	53%	Lower	Lower	No	0	0	50.2%	2,867.23	2,762.13	-105.10	-3.67%
228	02/05/18	38.5%	61.5%	-23.1%	70.4%	70.0%	70.6%	-0.6%	Lower	58%	Higher	Lower	Yes	1	0	50.4%	2,741.06	2,619.55	-121.51	-4.43%
229	02/12/18	64.9%	35.1%	29.8%	67.7%	69.3%	64.8%	4.6%	Higher	63%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	50.7%	2,636.75	2,732.22	95.47	3.62%
230	02/19/18	52.5%	47.5%	5.1%	66.6%	64.8%	68.6%	-3.7%	Higher	56%	Lower	Higher	Yes	1	1	50.9%	2,722.99	2,747.30	24.31	0.89%
231	02/26/18	64.4%	35.6%	28.9%	68.8%	66.4%	73.1%	-6.8%	Higher	59%	Lower	Lower	No	0	0	50.7%	2,757.37	2,691.25	-66.12	-2.40%
232	03/05/18	58.5%	41.5%	17.1%	66.2%	67.5%	64.4%	3.1%	Higher	64%	Higher	???	???	???	???	???	???	???	???	???

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NOTE: The following open-ended answers are solely the opinions of the anonymous respondents to this survey. Responses are mostly unedited, but some have been reformatted slightly for to make them easier to read. Some irrelevant responses (e.g. "none"), or anything obviously fake, or copy and pasted responses have been omitted. All-caps responses have been changed to all lowercase. All responses for each week, unedited, are available in the raw data spreadsheets at TimingResearch.com/data.

Question #3. For your answer to Question #1, please share what specific reason(s) you think the S&P500 will be heading the direction you chose.

“Higher” Respondent Answers:

- Market to turn up toward end of the week
- No reason
- Dividends in on Apple
- rebound from this weeks volatility and sell of
- Fed is selling securities, market remains rich, traders want to test the Feb. lows.
- the stock market is going to move up to 45,000 in the next 5 to 10 years, period !!!
- Another week way outside the expected move but the market almost made it back within the expected range as did the RUT and the NDX. The trade issues will likely moderate this week and the employment report will be a downward surprise motivating a bullish response reflecting a lower inflation expectation. Debt is the problem if the economy is not allowed to rise to the robust level hoped for by the tax cuts otherwise tax increases or user fees will be required. Higher but not by much.
- Shopping fever after Friday's start will culminate at the end of the next week
- 1. Italian election 2. Bond market 3. Talk on tariffs
- Friday was a beautiful reversal up in a Huge way
- Elliott Wave 4
- March is historically bullish
- intraday turnaround on Friday
- The S&P is rocky climb with high volatility but none the less moving higher.
- 50 day rather flat. so thinking not much overall movement.

“Lower” Respondent Answers:

- Feel like market gains will be limited or lower with earnings winding down & the market's worries about rising rates, inflation, & trade wars.
- Italy election & Brexit stuff
- The downside correction continues until there is a selling climax.
- S&P has a weekly bearish engulfing pattern. The tariff saber rattling can be a bearish influence.
- After a 2nd week of downward activity I now believe there is more corrective downside potential during March before more realistic support levels emerge. Therefore I believe this

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next week will see an effort to find a support level and the following week reacting to that effort. In April I expect to see support levels found and the markets continuing there advance though more eratically.

- trade war
- FOMO lemmings getting margin calls wave (iii) downtrend in progress
- Daily resistance at 270
- The stock market reacts not to fundamentals or technical analysis, but the tweets from the White House. Reason has flown out the window.

Question #4. How are you dealing with the increased volatility of the last month? Has it helped or hurt your trading profits?

- hurt
- readjusting may positions more often/hurt profits
- increase stops, helped
- building cash
- just watching the carnage to settle down, it will soon !!!
- Shortened time frames traded. And it has helped
- Hurt
- hurt - I'm new retail trader
- Hurt
- Don't know. Can't calculate. Flying blind most of the time.
- I am buying on the way down, planning to sell on the way up. I was in cash Jan 29 to Feb 2, started buying Feb 5. Will be awhile before I can take profits again.
- I trade only on my demo account. The result is big loss and big profit, overall I am at zero.
- Neutral I have been out of the market for the past 2 weeks trying to find a new Broker who accepts traders from BC, Canada.
- hurt old strategy, helping revised strategy
- Just watching.
- Need to take alka seltzer to see the majottswings in my portfolio
- A definite help. Buy the dips and sell the rips.
- Selling options premium again - finally!!! Very helpful.
- Hurt short put positions in the short run and also in the long run only if the economy is not allowed to grow and prosper. If the economy is as strong as I believe, I just have to wait until life gets better. If not, I may grow old waiting. As interest rates rise, the market has to recalculate and while 3% is not so bad, our debt is \$10 trillion higher than is was in 2008 so 3% and above could be a deal killer.

Question #5. Additional Comments/Questions/Suggestions?

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

- ride the wave up !!!
- Always scared of Uptrending vs choppy and Downtrending vs choppy markets so end up taking losses
- Market is shaping up for another springtime rally
- Don Kaufman postulated this week that maybe Trump and Powell are trying to talk the market down to avoid a bubble or a massive correction. Given the size of our debt, I see this as a possibility. As Mick Jagger said, " You can't always get what you want!"

Recently Closed Predictions

Week 171, 01/02/17 Report - In 2016 the S&P500 opened at 2,038.20 and closed at 2,238.83. Where do you think the S&P500 will close in 2017?

Average: 2,318.53

Actual Close: 2,673.61 (15% higher than the average of all predictions)

Standing Predictions

Below are some of the one-time prediction-type questions asked in previous weeks that have not been finalized yet or have been finalized recently. Suggest a future question [here](#).

Week 171, 01/21/18 Report - The S&P500 closed for 2017 at 2,673.61. Where do you think it will close for 2018?

- 57.8%: Higher 2-20%.
- 15.6%: Lower 2-20%.
- 13.3%: Higher 21% or more.
- 6.7%: Unchanged. Less than 2% change Higher or Lower.
- 6.7%: Lower 21% or more.