## TimingResearch.com Newsletter BETA Week 24 - 03/09/14 Report

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

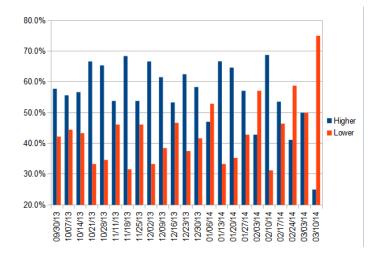
#2: Would you guess that the S&P 500 index will move higher or lower next week? (from Monday's open to Friday's close; March 10-14)

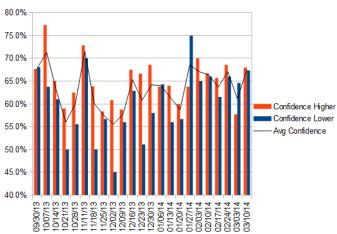
Higher: 25.0% Lower: 75.0%

### #3: Please rate your level of confidence in your answer to Question #2.

Average of All Guesses: 67.5%

Average For "Higher" Guesses: 68.0% Average For "Lower" Guesses: 67.3%





NOTE: The following open-ended answers are solely the options of the anonymous responders to this survey. Responses are mostly unedited, but some have been reformatted slightly for easier reading, and some meaningless/irrelevant responses have been omitted. All responses for each week, unedited, are available in the raw data spreadsheets at <u>TimingResearch.com/rawdata</u>.

### #1: What economic, political, or other news and events are you expecting to happen next week (March 10-14) that might have a positive or negative effect on the markets?

- ECON numbers
- THE INVESTMENT STOCK MARKET AND DAILY WEALTH.
- Russia conflict & China's possible defaults
- G7 Meeting
- Ukraine situation, Consumer confidence and Employment numbers
- Employment situation; Ukraine situation
- Russia and Ukraine. European Central Bank. All of Middle East. US Treasury rhetroric.
- The on going Ukraine saga can change sentiment from bullish to bearish.
- Ukraine/Russia
- Ukraine issues will rule until they are resolved, and they will be resolved.
- Any outbreak of actual fighting between the Russians and Ukrainians in the region in or near Crimea because both sides might be caught in a pattern of warfare that rapidly escalates into a very dangerous situation. The Russians have every reason to cut off natural gast deliveries to the Ukraine since they owe well over a Billion \$ for gas already delivered. Pres.Obama has continued, to pour out his ineffectual speeches because he has been so feckless in every international situation so far. He employs clouds of gassy rhetoric in an effort co compensate for that. At least that is better than actual gas.
- Ukraine, 10 yr Treasury, Venezuela
- The situation in the Ukraine. The real estate market in China.

# #4: What is your opinion of how President Obama is handling the Ukraine situation so far? What effect, if any, do you think this conflict will have on the global economy and the United States stock markets?

- Dreadful. He is incompetent. Short term no market effect. Long term somewhat negative.
- Taking a very close look to protect their investment
- Globally major effects on commodities, ie: oil, uranium etc.
- Not much unless it escalates further.
- Uncertainty brings volatility. Obama is irrelevant. He has little influence in the area.
- Obama knows to remain at arm's length but rhetoric will continue. Effect will remain volatile for 3-6 months.
- Poorly like most things he does. Don't think it will have a big effect in the long run.
- negative. but not as much impact as one might expect as he is increasingly irrelevant to foreign affairs.
- Obama and his administration has botched almost every international crisis so far. God help us when he appointed Kerry secretary of state. What was he thinking.
- Average High
- President Obama is doing a Stellar job. Thank God, there isn't some lunatic Republican in

office, we'd already be at war with Russia. Obama is the BEST. Just look at what he has accomplished, despite all the T-Bagger/GOP BS. He's the Best President we've had in 50 years.

- Not so well, so the global economy now depends on how Russia handles the situation.
- There is little that America can do at this point. This will delight the "tough "U.S. Senators like McCain (boots on the ground) Ted Cruz and Lindsey Graham. They can revel in the perceived continued weakness of Obama. The amount of fear in European markets is bound to have some impact on our markets.
- "Obama/US was late...he & Kerry talk too much and are not strategic. They respond instead
  of having various strategic plans available....Poor
  Global economy will be down as Europe lowers growth, E. Europe down, emerging markets
  down...so US GDP may rise as Defense budget is increased. Potentially could influence
  elections in GOP favor.
  - US stock market will drop initially, then rise in hope above increases production & demand.
- Obama is trying to work out a political solution rather than using military force. However, starting an economic war with all the sanctions on Russia and their retaliating doesn't help matters that much. Then there is the question of why we are supporting a Ukraine government that was formed more of less by a coup even though it was at the behest of a popular uprising about economic conditions and the corruption people saw in the government and well connected businesses. We usually support a more orderly change of government.

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

- Get behind the President, He is a World Class Leader.
- Putin does not seem to fear any western intervention in the crisis. If it does seem that
  Europe and the U.S. are going to take steps that will truly harm Russia he is likely to pull
  back,I think, because Russia is no longer a great power as it was in the 1950's. They do
  have nuclear weapons, of course, but it seems doubtful that any of the present players re
  nutty enough to be the first to employ them.
- Could you shed some light on the wide divergence of opinion on what is going to happen in the economy this year. There are strong reasoned reasons for both a boom or a bust.

Full Weekly Results (full version of this chart available in the <u>raw data</u> spreadsheet for this week, "Date" field below lists the Monday of the week being predicted).

#### **Correct Percentage: 42.9%**

	Date	Higher	Lower	H/L Diff	Avg Confidence	Confidence Higher	Confidence Lower	Con Diff	Actual	Correct?	42.9%
1	09/30/13	57.8%	42.2%	15.6%	67.8%	67.7%	68.1%	-0.4%	Lower	No	0
2	10/07/13	55.7%	44.4%	11.2%	71.3%	77.3%	63.8%	13.6%	Higher	Yes	1
3	10/14/13	56.7%	43.3%	13.3%	63.0%	65.0%	61.0%	4.0%	Higher	Yes	1
4	10/21/13	66.7%	33.3%	33.3%	56.0%	59.0%	50.0%	9.0%	Higher	Yes	1
5	10/28/13	65.4%	34.6%	30.8%	60.0%	62.5%	55.6%	6.9%	Higher	Yes	1
7	11/11/13	53.9%	46.2%	7.7%	71.5%	72.9%	70.0%	2.9%	Higher	Yes	1
8	11/18/13	68.4%	31.6%	36.8%	60.0%	63.9%	50.0%	13.9%	Higher	Yes	1
9	11/25/13	53.9%	46.2%	7.7%	57.5%	58.3%	56.7%	1.7%	Lower	No	0
10	12/02/13	66.7%	33.3%	33.3%	55.6%	60.8%	45.0%	15.8%	Lower	No	0
11	12/09/13	61.5%	38.5%	23.1%	57.7%	58.8%	56.0%	2.8%	Lower	No	0
12	12/16/13	53.3%	46.7%	6.7%	65.3%	67.5%	62.9%	4.6%	Higher	Yes	1
13	12/23/13	62.5%	37.5%	25.0%	60.8%	66.7%	51.1%	15.6%	Higher	Yes	1
14	12/30/13	58.3%	41.7%	16.7%	64.2%	68.6%	58.0%	10.6%	Lower	No	0
15	01/06/14	47.1%	52.9%	-5.9%	64.0%	63.8%	64.3%	-0.5%	Higher	No	0
16	01/13/14	66.7%	33.3%	33.4%	61.3%	64.0%	56.0%	8.0%	Lower	No	0
17	01/20/14	64.7%	35.3%	29.4%	58.8%	60.0%	56.7%	3.3%	Lower	No	0
18	01/27/14	57.1%	42.9%	14.3%	68.6%	63.8%	75.0%	-11.3%	Lower	No	0
19	02/03/14	42.9%	57.1%	-14.3%	67.1%	70.0%	65.0%	5.0%	Higher	No	0
20	02/10/14	68.8%	31.3%	37.6%	66.4%	66.7%	66.0%	0.7%	Higher	Yes	1
21	02/17/14	53.6%	46.4%	7.1%	63.7%	65.7%	61.5%	4.2%	Lower	No	0
22	02/24/14	41.2%	58.8%	-17.6%	67.1%	68.6%	66.0%	2.6%	Higher	No	0
23	03/03/14	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	61.2%	57.7%	64.6%	-6.9%	Higher	N/A	N/A
24	03/10/14	25.0%	75.0%	-50.0%	67.5%	68.0%	67.3%	0.7%	???	???	???

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