TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Newsletter (Beta) Week 88 – 05/31/15 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 predict that the S&P 500 index will move higher or lower next week? (from Tuesday's open to Friday's close; June 1-5)

Higher: 37.7% Lower: 62.3%

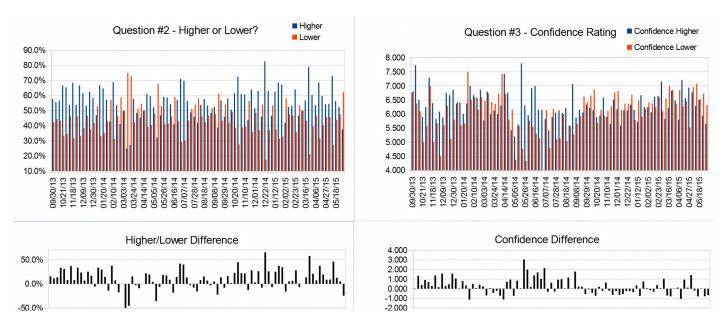
Question #3. Rate your confidence in your answer to Question #2 on a scale of 0 to 10 (with 0 being no confidence and 10 being extremely confident).

Average of All Responses: 6.072

Average For "Higher" Responses: 5.654 Average For "Lower" Responses: 6.326

Responses Submitted This Week: 69

Brief Analysis: The overall bullish sentiment for last week turned out to be incorrect; the much higher average confidence from the bear turned out to be well placed as the S&P500 fell 0.84% during the short trading week last week. The time, sentiment has strongly shifted to the bearish side for next week while average confidence remains much higher on the bearish side.



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

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).

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1	Date 09/30/13	Higher	Lower	H/L Diff 15.6%	Avg Confidence	Confidence Higher	Confidence Lower	Con Diff	Guess	Actual	Correct?
•		57.8%			6.784	6.769	6.806		Higher	Lower	
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			Yes
14		58.3%	41.7%	16.7%	6.417	6.857	5.800	1.057	Higher	Higher Lower	No
	12/30/13								Higher		
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	N/A	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		No
26	03/17/14	57.7%	42.3%	15.4%			6.364			Higher	
					6.231	6.133		-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	N/A	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			Yes
									Higher	Higher	
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			Yes
									Higher	Higher	
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			Yes
	11/10/14	60.6%	39.4%						Higher	Higher	
59 60				21.2%	5.985	5.900	6.115	-0.215	Higher	Higher	Yes
	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	Higher	Higher	Yes
63	12/08/14	63.0%	37.0%	25.9%	5.796	5.588	6.150	-0.562	Higher	Lower	No
64	12/15/14	46.0%	54.0%	-8.0%	6.260	6.130	6.370	-0.240	Lower	Higher	No
65	12/22/14	82.5%	17.5%	65.1%	6.260	6.130	6.370	-0.240	Higher	Higher	Yes
66	12/29/14	62.9%	37.1%	25.8%	6.448	6.333	6.684	-0.351	Higher	Lower	No
67	01/05/15	46.6%	53.4%	-6.8%	5.959	6.147	5.795	0.352	Lower	Lower	Yes
68	01/12/15	62.5%	37.5%	25.0%	6.000	5.714	6.476	-0.762	Higher	Lower	No
69	01/19/15	68.6%	31.4%	37.1%	6.429	6,667	5.909	0.758	Higher	Higher	Yes
70	01/26/15	67.2%	32.8%	34.4%	6.234	6.256	6.190	0.066	Higher	Lower	No
71	02/02/15	42.0%	58.0%	-15.9%	6.341	6.243	6.412	-0.169	Lower	Higher	No
72	02/09/15	52.5%	47.5%	4.9%	6.213	6.063	6.379	-0.316	Higher	Higher	Yes
73	02/16/15	53.1%	46.9%	6.3%	6.438	6.618	6.233	0.385	Higher	Higher	Yes
74	02/23/15	64.0%	36.0%	28.0%	6.627	6.646	6.593	0.053	Higher	Lower	No
75	03/02/15	46.6%	53.4%	-6.8%	6.591	7.146	6.106	1.040	Lower	Lower	Yes
76	03/09/15	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	6.186	5.829	6.543	-0.714	N/A	Lower	N/A
77	03/16/15	56.7%	43.3%	13.4%	6.552	6.211	7.000	-0.789	Higher	Higher	Yes
78	03/23/15	78.8%	21.2%	57.6%	6.833	6.827	6.857	-0.030	Higher	Lower	No
79	03/30/15	60.4%	39.6%	20.8%	6.438	6.483	6.368	0.115	Higher	Higher	Yes
80	04/06/15	53.6%	46.4%	7.1%	6.286	5.800	6.846	-1.046	Higher	Higher	Yes
81	04/13/15	68.6%	31.4%	37.1%	6.914	7.208	6.273	0.935	Higher	Lower	No
82	04/20/15	59.7%	40.3%	19.4%	6.514	6.558	6.448	0.110	Higher	Higher	Yes
83	04/20/15	54.2%	45.8%	8.5%	6.288	6.938	5.519	1.419			
									Higher	Lower	No
84	05/04/15	54.4%	45.6%	8.8%	6.860	6.774	6.962	-0.188	Higher	Higher	Yes
85	05/11/15	72.9%	27.1%	45.8%	6.500	6.286	7.077	-0.791	Higher	Higher	Yes
86	05/18/15	56.3%	43.8%	12.5%	6.516	6.500	6.536	-0.036	Higher	Higher	Yes
87	05/25/15	52.5%	47.5%	4.9%	6.295	5.935	6.724	-0.789	Higher	Lower	No
88	06/01/15	37.7%	62.3%	-24.6%	6.072	5.654	6.326	-0.672	???	???	777

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NOTE: The following open-ended answers are solely the opinions of the anonymous responders to this survey. Responses are mostly unedited, but some have been reformatted slightly for to make them easier to read and are listed in order of submission. Some useless/irrelevant responses (e.g. "none") have been omitted. All responses for each week, unedited, are available in the raw data spreadsheets at timingResearch.com/rawdata.

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

- · More data that will reflect weakness in the U.S. economy.
- Divergence between the market and transports
- Swing Pivots, Monthly Jobs # Friday 6/5
- Employment Situation
- 1. Greece
- Euro bond markets, China markets, SP500 trending down resistance
- \$SPX is hovering just above its 50 day AMA. If that fails, look for a test of 2070.
- The same, Greece and Europe, the Fed. Still think S&P will go up. The three indexes fell enough for a breather last week.
- sandp2150 vs 2050
- "Employment report
 - Greece debt repayment deadline"
- All FED reports, any news out of oil producing regions, news on terrorists activity that may
 cause even short term market movement, change in interest rates.
- oil prices
- Middle east fighting
- interest rates
- Geopolitical risks
- world events
- GOLD.
- Price action, EU rates, and US jobs numbers.
- Fed speak war in middle east
- Greek crisis, Interest rates, Labor reports Friday,
- Dollar and developments with Greece
- Greece, cycles, downward momentum, GDP reaction
- Friday's payroll
- My technical signals suggest a rebound....
- strengthening \$tick, more positive with some strong 1000+. Also watching market profile to hold up on volume at 2100
- Just watching bond rates. And who doesn't love a Greek drama?
- None
- Peoples lack of confidence in the situation in government is starting catch up with the citizens. At least those who have some modicum of intelligence.
- till have to hold 2100 and we inch higher. Fail and Short
- greece
- Greece, oil price, interest rates
- "Nonfarm Payroll report on Friday
 - Economic reports on income, spending, ISM early in the week"

- Nothing this week
- Auto sales, jobless claims, payrolls
- MARKET NEEDS A PULL BACK BASED BEFORE PUSHING HIGHER
- The Greek and eurozone matter.
- Greece
- non farm payroll
- Consumer spending and the ISM reports might be influential, and of course the Non-farm Labor on Friday.
- Fundamentals
- Greece
- employment
- Greece
- Transports
- ISM Reports, Jobs Reports
- Greece! and the Employment Situation / Jobless claims numbers should move the market later on this week.
- Market top with volume lower
- What nonsense will the EU come up with to pretend that the Greek problem is no longer an immediate problem. Doesn't matter. Everyone will go long anyway. Spy needs to hold 210.
 Will Friday's payroll data cause a big move?
- Dow tranports

Question #4. What sort of hedging or portfolio protection strategies do you implement in your trading plans?

- Protect with Index puts
- Married puts, covered calls
- Buy/Sell turning points
- 20% Put/Call
- I do not hedge positions.
- Reverse ETF's
- · Go to cash
- I buy index put options about 3 to 4 months out. This really helped me last week, stocks went down, but I made over \$1000.
- uvxy
- "Stop loss orders where appropriate
 - Protective puts on occasion
 - Inverse ETFs for overall portfolio hedging"
- put spreads. Want to add options on VIX but can not with my brokerage firm. At this time, I
 think precious metals are low in price so I trade many producer shares. We trade the ranges
 with OTM put sales and if assigned OTM covered calls.
- Trade the vix puts
- ema crossovers
- option strategies
- Put spreads
- sell calls on existing portfolio
- Collar.
- Continuous studies and updates from technical approach.
- Sell the winners mental stops
- Contra ETF plans, Occasionally puts on individual stocks, moving to cash, price alerts, stops
- puts and vix calls
- 50% now in cash, selling way OTM puts for the rest.
- spy puts and uvxy calls
- Over the long term, if you capture capital appreciation and dividends (3-5% equity risk premium) as well as the volatility premium from options operations (3-5%) the you really don't have to hedge. Just don't spend more than 4-5% in a given year.
- None
- Buying different PUTS.
- options
- puts
- low cost SPY put spread with SP to partially fund it. Expecting a short, smallish dip which I
 hope to profit from and then buy
- 30% short, 50% long, 20% cash
- vix/vxx options
- DO NOT HEDGE
- No large positions at this time. But in light of the situation I would use put options.
- Option trading
- volatility plays for the next 1 to 3 months, cheap OTM put debit spreads
- "be mindful of stop losses

keep some in cash"

- Inverse ETF's
- Volatility funds.
- Fibs and trend lines
- · index options
- long vix
- SPY and QQQ 50 day butterflys with 1 standard deviation bands
- vix options
- "No hedging betting on spy iyr qqq puts"
- None
- Protective put options on portfolio stocks is my strategy of choice, occasionally gold and sometimes the VIX or TLT options.
- buy inverse fund
- · sell covered calls
- Buy OTM puts in SPY to hedge bullish portfolio just in case some central banker pretends they are going to raise interest rates.
- Put options

Question #5: Comments/Questions/Suggestions?

Thank you for all the feedback, feel free to <u>contact us</u> at any time with any other questions or comments.

- Investment grade preferred stocks paying monthly for next 6 months.
- Relating to question #4 and as I have suggested several times, this may be a great time to have several expert opinions on way to hedge.
- Will we go into recession? How long will the bear market last?
- Looking for small correction next two months in time for a summer rally
- Market will do what it is going to do!
- Thank u for doing this every week!
- if we fail 2100 we go lower if we get above 2125 can go higher