

TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Newsletter (Beta)

Weekly Report #161 – 10/23/16 Report

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

Question #1. What direction do you think the S&P500 index will move from this coming Monday's open to Friday's close (October 24th through October 28th)?

Higher: 49.2%

Lower: 50.8%

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: 65.9%

Average For "Higher" Responses: 65.3%

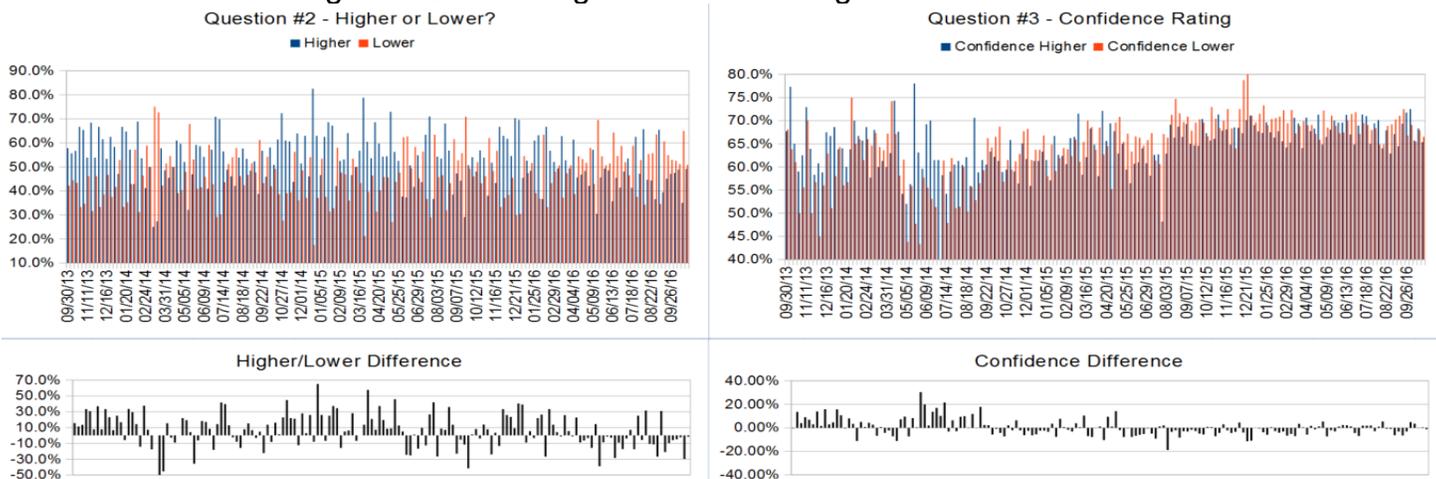
Average For "Lower" Responses: 66.5%

Responses Submitted This Week: 59

TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Prediction: 71% Chance Higher

This prediction is an attempt by the editor of this newsletter to use the full 2+ 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 strongly Lower, but the Crowd Forecast Indicator prediction was 70% Chance Higher; the S&P500 ended up 0.38% for the week. This week's majority sentiment is slightly Lower (less than 10% difference) and higher average confidence on the bearish side. Similar conditions have been observed 14 times in the previous 160 weeks, with the majority sentiment being correct only 29% of the time with an average S&P500 move for the week of up 0.12% during those weeks. Based on that history, the TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Indicator is forecasting 71% Chance Higher for this coming week.



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

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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 #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:

- Cycles
- Rate expectations favoring rate hike. Media calling for Hillary POTUS, markets follow.
- There is no catalyst this week for any particular direction, but there's likely to be an earnings surprise that will move the market higher.
- Bullish so far, although some resistance is coming.
- Good Earnings
- Jaywiz Scientific Resources GUIDE the path of hundreds of VPN members
- Follow bonds
- BETTER JUSTIFIED THAN OTHER VISIBLE ALTERNATIVES
- It's getting to where it doesn't matter. This market is basically dead for now. No volatility and none to be had until early 2017 unless Trump wins then volatility much sooner.
- Buy in November & Sell in May Seasonal
- No place else to invest
- Things ate not as bad as they may seem. Election is the ringer until it's over
- The market will be supported and lifted by favorable earnings reports from big companies and from buyers ready to buy the dip if one happens. No fear until we get closer to the 200 DMA.
- good earnings reports predominate
- technicals
- we did not drop enough last week

“Lower” Respondent Answers:

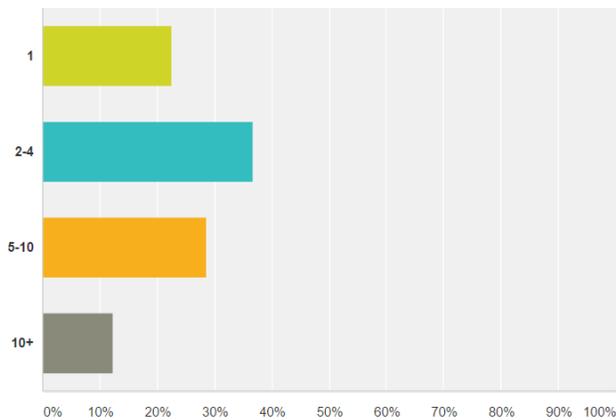
- Earnings and election
- Earnings overall not great - market appears to be out of gas for now.
- The oil spike is short lived unless middle east turns red, Brexit still Brexit == no big jump either way.
- Election
- earnings, election, preparation for crash
- 8th november coming
- I sold all my puts but one...so we should have a breakout higher before the election!
- Economic news and earnings reports will pull the market down.
- This earnings season so far is mixed; market grinding up may not last much more.
- Political uncertainty
- earnings

- Over priced
- valuations
- I think the market has simply run out of steam. A correction is overdue. If earnings are not above expectations, we will have a pullback. This is ok with us, we would like to make some purchases but at lower prices.
- Ranging slightly lower
- Market is crashing
- Oil process slumps
- oil price decline, US election concerns and earnings data
- Fed will boost the market until hilary wins then look out below 2,000 points down at least as the fed bailout team takes a holiday
- I feel there is a slow decay into the election due to the uncertainty around that.

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Answered: 49 Skipped: 10



4b. How do you manage and keep track of each of your trades?

- Log them and chart them.
- TOS
- Spread sheet
- Stock tracker/stock watch!
- Thru Broker account
- Since I mostly trade options, I look at the greeks and the P/L.
- price action based exit or moving stop to 0 if move in favor, out at heavy support or resistance if market sentiment not signaling continuation
- Multiple screens and alerts.
- trading software
- Poorly!
- Alerts
- Trading platform, Chaikin Analytics, Stockcharts
- VIGILANCE
- m/a
- Keep a paper log.
- TOS
- ThinkorSwim
- ONLINE
- In the software program
- Brokers Platform
- Daily review; 1 yr., buy + hold
- handwritten small notebook
- Watch google.
- My brokerage platform is all we really need but we do have spreadsheets for each position.

- Sore and tired eyeballs
- I sweat over every tick.
- Portfolio or Forex Trading Journal
- Online platform
- Spread sheet live
- each brokerage has a webpage showing each one of my positions
- Use Fidelity, they have good timely records and I keep my own.
- I sell options far and wide and bite my nails until they expire or hit their stops.
- On my trade platform
- on Street Smart Edge
- proprietary accounting systems
- auto pilot from the DOM

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.

- not overly confident on a 10 point swing either way!
- Thanks for your work.
- still learning
- I'll paraphrase the great John Oliver about the election. Look up...see the puffy white clouds? Now look a little higher. Higher still. Just beyond that is rock bottom! And we continue to sink with each debate and soundbite.
- Avoid trading around earnings. Market does not react rationally based on fundamentals. Expect volatility to increase next two weeks before election. Volatility trades should be profitable.
- A divided government is best for the markets, with low regulations, low taxes, and the least government possible. Freedom and liberty are best for our financial prospects.

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 150, 08/07/16 Report - Who do you personally think most likely will win the 2016 US Presidential Election?

Hillary Clinton (Democratic) – 61%

Donald Trump (Republican) – 39%

Gary Johnson (Libertarian) – 0%

Jill Stein (Green) – 0%

Week 132, 04/03/16 Report - When will the Fed next raise interest rates?

Not during 2016 - 36%

June 2016 - 26%

December 2016 - 10%

November 2016 - 9%

April 2016 - 6%

July 2016 - 6%

September 2016 - 4%

August 2016 - 3%

May 2016 (no meeting currently scheduled) - 1%

October 2016 (no meeting currently scheduled) – 0%

Week 128, 03/06/16 Report - The S&P500 and other major indexes moved into correction territory earlier this year before rallying over the last few weeks. Do you think we are safely beyond the correction?

Yes: 20.0%

No: 80.0%

Week 127, 02/28/16 Report - Do you think the United States economy will be in a recession before the end of 2016?

Yes: 49.3%

No: 50.7%

Week 121, 01/17/16 Report - What do you think is the lowest price that Crude Oil will trade at during 2016? (it is currently around \$30)

Average Of All Numerical Answers: \$22.22

Week 52, 09/21/14 Report - If Hilary Clinton runs for president in 2016, do you think she will win?

Yes - 41.5%

No - 58.5%