# TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Newsletter (Beta)
# Weekly Report #162 – 10/30/16 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 31st through November 4th)?**

Higher: 46.0%
Lower: 54.0%

**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: 69.6%
Average For "Higher" Responses: 67.3%
Average For "Lower" Responses: 71.6%

**Responses Submitted This Week: 87**

**TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Prediction: 67% 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 71% Chance Higher; the S&P500 ended down 1.03% 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 15 times in the previous 161 weeks, with the majority sentiment being correct only 33% of the time with an average S&P500 move for the week of up 0.05% during those weeks. Based on that history, the TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Indicator is forecasting 67% Chance Higher for this coming week.
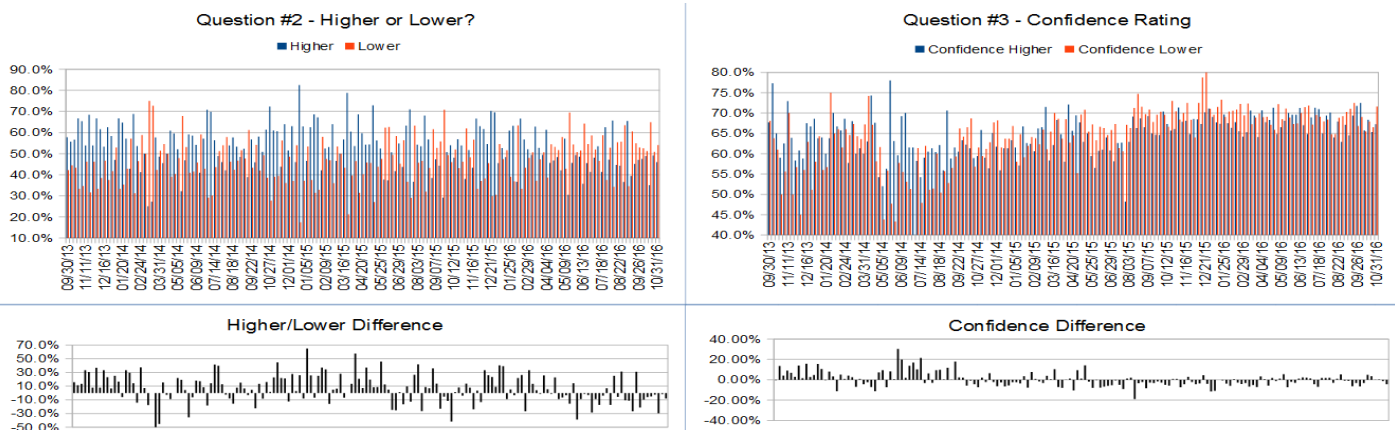


Raw Data Page (raw data files include full history spreadsheet and the above charts): **TimingResearch.com/rawdata**.

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

## Overall Sentiment All-Time "Correct" Percentage: 49.0%
## Overall Sentiment 52-Week "Correct" Percentage: 47.1%
## Overall Sentiment 12-Week "Correct" Percentage: 45.5%

*Date is the Monday of the week that was being predicted in the most recent survey.

| Week | Higher | Lower | H/L Diff | Avg Confidence | Confidence Higher | Confidence Lower | Con Diff | Sentiment | Forecast | Actual | 49.0% Correct? | SentCorrect | Actual | Sent | | | | 0.11% | 12w | 52w |
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*(Table contains 162 rows of weekly data that are too small to transcribe reliably.)*

*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:**

- Bull market
- pre election momentum (of a clinton win)
- GDP numbers were good and earnings have been reasonable
- it's in a range
- To catch back up to the norm after Hilary debacle,
- Trump
- Earnings ok, GDP ok, so prediction positive.
- Trend
- We're going to probably stay in a trading range until the election.
- Is in the low part of the Chanel 9
- Monthly IRA funding, Major Fund reinvestment. DC plumbers stimulating market pre-election.
- The market will moderate from the FED press conference when Janet says that the increase will be data driven and very very gradual. Also the NFP will be soft but not horrible so the market will rise. Finally, earnings this week will support the market and it will begin the ignore the fact that if Hillary gets elected that she will be the second Clinton to be impeached for breaking the law.
- reversion to the mean
- us economy is good
- cycles
- mkt's over reaction to fbi's email investigation on Friday will re balance.
- Honeywell's
- Trend
- Thinking buy hedge and Wkly Options before Nov 4th, then big selloff before election day.
- general mood
- friday trend of some bigger stocks down for week
- Very weak, but respecting Pivot Low.
- no real reason , could just as well go down
- Rising towards election
- THE MARKET MOVED DOWN ALL WEEK AND BOUNCED TODAY OFF AN AREA THAT WAS A LOW A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO.

**"Lower" Respondent Answers:**

- The trend plus the election perhaps.
- None
- Uncertainty regarding presidential election.

- The market high was on Monday, no energy after that. Oil moving down also.
- Hilliary & FBI
- Uncertainty
- uncertainty because of the election
- Seasonality and presidential election concerns.
- pre-election jitters.
- Uncertain actions related to the Presidential election and Hillary's scandals
- U.S. elections
- fed rate decision,election
- To keep my reply simple, the market is running out of steam. Not enough good news and stellar earnings along with fear surrounding the US election. I said down next week.
- Presidential election
- Trend is down; small caps broke support; a-d line is declining as is on balance volume
- All indices are moving lower, until the election is over
- Election, Clinton / FBI saga, Technical picture
- Political uncertainty rising again with the email story
- Technical and pre - election setup.
- NYSE BPI increasingly negative
- Until the election is over, markets likely to float down or fall.
- Election jitters + earnings surprises
-  Market concern over the Hillary Clinton allegations
- new negative info re. Clinton.
- Rising VIX.
- clinton email issues
- uncertainty
- Election
- Idont no I am new at this never have traded
- Unstable
- Election uncertainty
- down is the path of least resistance
- spike down early in week, then a modest move up.
- Bonds selling off vix rising
- Technical analysis
- General downward trend
- multipoint plunges in bluechip stocks huge volumes to the downside no strong bounceback this market is done for the time being

**4. What type(s) of trading do to specialize in or focus on? How did you come to that decision?**

- Futures. Ebbs and flows of the market.
- Options
- Buying and selling near term options. Need additional income.
- Swing
- option selling and buying - there's no other place in the market where a little money can bring a big big return, it is also carries a big bigly amount of risk so ...
- Swing
- stocks and ETFs because I'm a beginner
- Stock and credit spreads
- n/a
- Energy right now, POLITICS W/ MIDDLE EASTCONN
- Trump likes business
- Selling covered calls because most expire unassigned.
- intraday,acct size.
- credit call spread options or put options.
- swing trades---2 to 3 days.   It's my style.
- ETF's related to market indexes including the VIX
- Futures day trading.  Volume, volatility and risk management.
- long term values only
- I mainly sell options for income. Working at night from the "other side " of planet earth limits the time I want to spend in front of a computer. My positions are easy to monitor and adjust when needed. I am not greedy and earn more than enough to be comfortable, by no means rich. It is a pleasure to financially help my beautiful bride as she feeds street children and assists orphans homes and a home for indigent elderly. At 62 Y/O, I am very happy with my results and my life.so we choose to continue with our current trade plan.
- Mid & long term duration option trades.
- Momentum investing by sector.   It works.
- stocks....ETFs. Don't know enough to do options, forex, etc
- Futures. Only 10 markets to follow. All with good volatility and able to work on reduced margins.
- I sell puts on leveraged ETF's that I want to own at a lower price and I only have to use 1/3 of my capital to do it allowing me to be ready to buy more of the underlying if we have a crash or a sell-off.  All other methods have been less rewarding.
- Swing based on support and resistance.
- Analyze congestion areas on candlestick charts.
- us dollar is strong
- Options trading - too much drama in elections for investors to feel good about economy
- 3x etfs
- stocks, options
- News driven
- Options; less capital risk and hedging
- SPX credit spreads, equity earnings calender option spreads/straddles.  I like the risk to reward.
- quantitative discipline
- Open unknown

- Follow the path of least resistance
- leaning toward stock,index
- Voter indecision on election results.
- Long
- Long term with good research. Short term with technicals
- upro/spxu daytrading   - very mathematical/technical market
- call options with short time puts to spread trade. Always puts with long calls because market jittery. Facebook is tell for new week coming
- Day and swing for short and long term, after observing my account and understanding its needs.
- price action by long study
- futures because it has excellent volume information
- price action
- SPX and Foerx
- OPTIONS. STOCKS TEND TO USE PAST AREAS OF RESISTANCE.

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Answered: 75    Skipped: 13
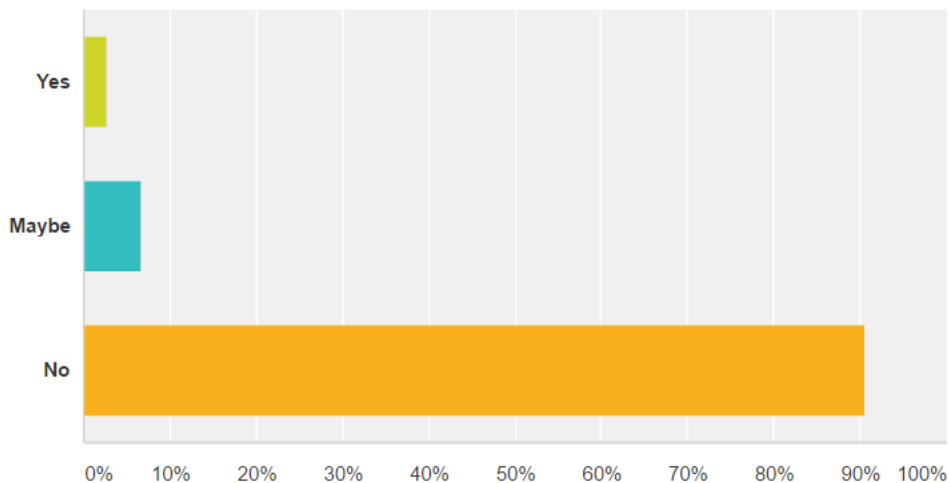


| Answer Choices | | Responses | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Yes | | 2.67% | 2 |
| Maybe | | 6.67% | 5 |
| No | | 90.67% | 68 |
| Total | | | 75 |

## 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.

- None.
- Protect portfolio through election volatility. Set stop losses, buy VXX.
- thank you for putting this report out every week!
- n/a
- IF ONLY CAN PIC 3 CHOICES ON A STOCK CHART SCAN WHAT DO TRADERS UTILIZE THE MOST?
- Let's roll the dice and vote Trump.
- Is there a replay in case one misses the webinar at 1 pm ET Monday?
- none
- High taxes are only a vehicle for politicians to buy votes from citizens that are only given a path to welfare rather than a path to success.  We are near a tipping point unless we drain the swamp.
- None.
- nil
- I like covered calls here
- None at this time Thanks
- I am as new as a new born to this industry
- Better pray Trump gets elected.
- vote early and often!
- i am tracking several stocks for my next purchase but nothing until 2017 at  the earliest
- This is a very useful resource. Keep up the good work !

**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%