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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 (August 26th to 30th)?

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

Higher: 39.5%

Lower: 60.5%

Higher/Lower Difference: -21.1%

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: 67.9%

Average For "Higher" Responses: 60.3%

Average For "Lower" Responses: 72.8%

Higher/Lower Difference: -12.5%

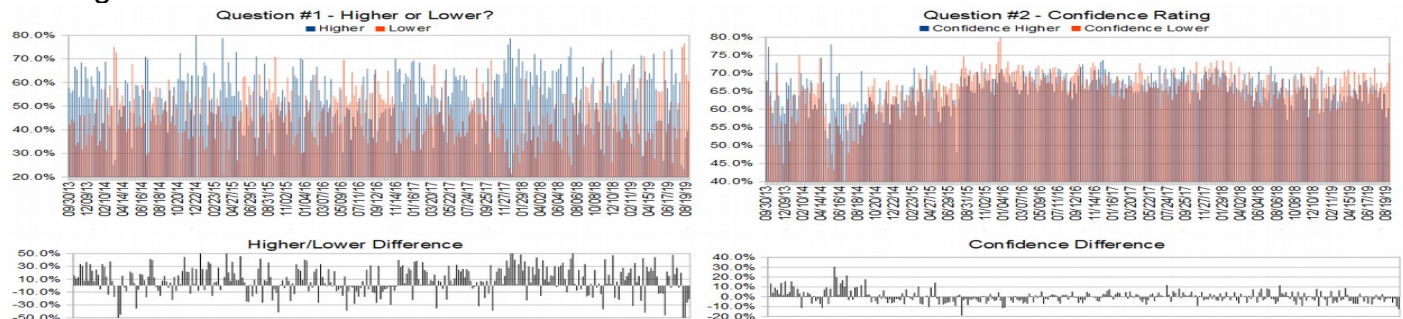
Responses Submitted This Week: 38

52-Week Average Number of Responses: 36.7

TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Prediction: 62% Chance Higher

This prediction is an attempt by the editor of this newsletter to use the full 5+ 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 from the survey was 63.3% Lower, and the Crowd Forecast Indicator prediction was 65% Chance Higher; the S&P500 closed 2.28% Lower for the week. This week's majority sentiment from the survey is 60.5% Lower with a greater average confidence from those who responded Lower. Similar conditions have occurred 21 times in the previous 308 weeks, with the majority sentiment (Lower) being correct only 38% of the time and with an average S&P500 move of 0.32% Higher for the week. Based on that history, the TimingResearch Crowd Forecast Indicator is forecasting a 62% Chance that the S&P500 is going to move Higher 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: 52.0%

Overall Sentiment 52-Week "Correct" Percentage: 56.9%

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.

258	09/03/18	41.7%	58.3%	-16.7%	64.0%	61.3%	66.0%	-4.6%	Lower	58%	Higher	Lower	Yes	1	0	51.2%	2,896.96	2,871.68	-25.28	-0.87%
259	09/10/18	42.4%	57.6%	-15.2%	61.8%	57.1%	65.3%	-8.1%	Lower	68%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	51.0%	2,881.39	2,904.98	23.59	0.82%
260	09/17/18	51.4%	48.6%	2.9%	65.9%	68.3%	63.2%	5.1%	Higher	60%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.2%	2,903.83	2,929.67	25.84	0.89%
261	09/24/18	40.6%	59.4%	-18.8%	62.8%	61.2%	64.0%	-2.8%	Lower	57%	Higher	Lower	Yes	1	0	51.4%	2,921.83	2,913.98	-7.85	-0.27%
262	10/01/18	62.1%	37.9%	24.1%	63.3%	59.7%	69.1%	-9.4%	Higher	52%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	51.2%	2,926.29	2,885.57	-40.72	-1.39%
263	10/08/18	48.6%	51.4%	-2.9%	67.7%	69.7%	65.8%	3.9%	Lower	66%	Higher	Lower	Yes	1	0	51.4%	2,877.53	2,767.13	-110.40	-3.84%
264	10/15/18	51.4%	48.6%	2.9%	66.4%	64.4%	68.3%	-3.9%	Higher	54%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.5%	2,763.83	2,767.78	3.95	0.14%
265	10/22/18	43.3%	56.7%	-13.3%	65.7%	66.2%	65.3%	0.9%	Lower	64%	Higher	Lower	Yes	1	0	51.7%	2,773.94	2,658.69	-115.25	-4.15%
266	10/29/18	31.6%	68.4%	-36.8%	69.7%	70.0%	69.6%	0.4%	Lower	67%	Higher	Higher	No	0	0	51.5%	2,682.65	2,723.06	40.41	1.51%
267	11/05/18	70.6%	29.4%	41.2%	67.2%	66.5%	69.0%	-2.5%	Higher	58%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.7%	2,726.37	2,781.01	54.64	2.00%
268	11/12/18	51.4%	48.6%	2.9%	64.6%	62.8%	66.5%	-3.7%	Higher	75%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	51.5%	2,773.93	2,736.27	-37.66	-1.36%
269	11/19/18	58.5%	41.5%	17.1%	62.9%	65.8%	57.8%	8.0%	Higher	64%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	51.3%	2,730.74	2,632.56	-98.18	-3.60%
270	11/26/18	51.3%	48.7%	2.6%	64.7%	60.0%	69.5%	-9.5%	Higher	69%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.5%	2,649.97	2,760.16	110.19	4.16%
271	12/03/18	73.7%	26.3%	47.4%	67.2%	68.8%	63.0%	5.8%	Higher	58%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	51.3%	2,790.50	2,633.08	-157.42	-5.64%
272	12/10/18	40.5%	59.5%	-19.0%	68.9%	68.5%	69.2%	-0.7%	Lower	71%	Lower	Lower	Yes	1	0	51.5%	2,630.86	2,599.95	-30.91	-1.17%
273	12/17/18	53.1%	46.9%	6.3%	68.4%	67.1%	70.0%	-2.9%	Higher	55%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	51.3%	2,590.75	2,416.58	-174.17	-6.72%
274	12/24/18	39.0%	61.0%	-22.0%	68.3%	62.8%	71.8%	-9.0%	Lower	83%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	51.1%	2,400.56	2,485.74	85.18	3.55%
275	12/31/18	60.7%	39.3%	21.4%	59.3%	58.8%	60.0%	-1.2%	Higher	56%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.3%	2,498.94	2,531.94	33.00	1.32%
276	01/07/19	63.9%	36.1%	27.8%	68.8%	70.9%	65.0%	5.9%	Higher	69%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.5%	2,535.61	2,596.26	60.65	2.39%
277	01/14/19	54.3%	45.7%	8.6%	62.3%	59.2%	65.9%	-6.7%	Higher	53%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.6%	2,580.31	2,670.71	90.40	3.50%
278	01/21/19	57.6%	42.4%	15.2%	64.9%	63.2%	67.1%	-4.0%	Higher	52%	Lower	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.8%	2,657.88	2,664.76	6.88	0.26%
279	01/28/19	60.0%	40.0%	20.0%	65.4%	63.0%	69.0%	-6.0%	Higher	55%	Lower	Higher	Yes	1	1	52.0%	2,644.97	2,706.53	61.56	2.33%
280	02/04/19	63.4%	36.6%	26.8%	63.9%	66.4%	59.7%	6.7%	Higher	65%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	52.2%	2,706.49	2,707.88	1.39	0.05%
281	02/11/19	34.1%	65.9%	-31.7%	65.0%	62.5%	66.3%	-3.8%	Lower	61%	Lower	Higher	No	0	1	52.0%	2,712.40	2,775.60	63.20	2.33%
282	02/18/19	67.6%	32.4%	35.3%	65.0%	64.1%	66.8%	-2.7%	Higher	57%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	52.2%	2,769.28	2,792.67	23.39	0.84%
283	02/25/19	52.8%	47.2%	5.6%	64.0%	68.7%	68.7%	9.0%	Higher	60%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	52.0%	2,804.35	2,803.69	-0.66	-0.02%
284	03/04/19	57.5%	42.5%	15.0%	61.4%	62.2%	60.3%	1.9%	Higher	60%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	51.8%	2,814.37	2,743.07	-71.30	-2.53%
285	03/11/19	38.2%	61.8%	-23.5%	66.9%	64.2%	68.6%	-4.3%	Lower	68%	Lower	Higher	No	0	1	51.6%	2,747.61	2,822.48	74.87	2.72%
286	03/18/19	71.4%	28.6%	42.9%	63.3%	62.2%	66.3%	-4.1%	Higher	59%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	51.4%	2,822.61	2,800.71	-21.90	-0.78%
287	03/25/19	28.9%	71.1%	-42.1%	68.6%	63.6%	70.6%	-6.9%	Lower	63%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	51.2%	2,796.01	2,834.40	38.39	1.37%
288	04/01/19	64.7%	35.3%	29.4%	64.6%	62.1%	69.2%	-7.1%	Higher	62%	Lower	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.4%	2,848.63	2,892.74	44.11	1.55%
289	04/08/19	61.1%	38.9%	22.2%	66.5%	63.6%	71.1%	-7.4%	Higher	57%	Lower	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.6%	2,888.46	2,907.41	18.95	0.66%
290	04/15/19	63.9%	36.1%	27.8%	65.8%	67.0%	63.9%	3.1%	Higher	59%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	51.4%	2,908.32	2,905.03	-3.29	-0.11%
291	04/22/19	61.5%	38.5%	23.1%	63.3%	63.4%	63.0%	0.4%	Higher	58%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.6%	2,898.78	2,939.88	41.10	1.42%
292	04/29/19	72.2%	27.8%	44.4%	66.8%	65.6%	70.5%	-4.9%	Higher	65%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.7%	2,940.58	2,945.64	5.06	0.17%
293	05/06/19	57.1%	42.9%	14.3%	64.6%	65.0%	64.2%	0.8%	Higher	61%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	51.6%	2,908.89	2,881.40	-27.49	-0.95%
294	05/13/19	43.8%	56.3%	-12.5%	66.7%	62.9%	69.7%	-6.9%	Lower	56%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	51.4%	2,840.19	2,859.53	19.34	0.68%
295	05/20/19	44.2%	55.8%	-11.6%	66.7%	66.8%	66.7%	0.2%	Lower	58%	Higher	Lower	Yes	1	0	51.5%	2,841.94	2,826.06	-15.88	-0.56%
296	05/27/19	43.8%	56.3%	-12.5%	66.6%	62.1%	70.0%	-7.9%	Lower	57%	Higher	Lower	Yes	1	0	51.7%	2,830.03	2,752.06	-77.97	-2.76%
297	06/03/19	26.8%	73.2%	-46.3%	69.5%	67.7%	70.2%	-2.4%	Lower	73%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	51.5%	2,751.53	2,873.34	121.81	4.43%
298	06/10/19	61.0%	39.0%	22.0%	67.4%	68.2%	66.3%	2.0%	Higher	58%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.7%	2,885.83	2,886.98	1.15	0.04%
299	06/17/19	57.5%	42.5%	15.0%	62.9%	61.7%	64.4%	-2.7%	Higher	56%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	51.9%	2,889.75	2,950.46	60.71	2.10%
300	06/24/19	48.3%	51.7%	-3.4%	67.4%	65.7%	69.0%	-3.3%	Lower	78%	Higher	Lower	Yes	1	0	52.0%	2,951.42	2,941.76	-9.66	-0.33%
301	07/01/19	74.1%	25.9%	48.1%	66.1%	66.8%	64.3%	2.5%	Higher	60%	Lower	Higher	Yes	1	1	52.2%	2,971.41	2,990.41	19.00	0.64%
302	07/08/19	59.0%	41.0%	17.9%	68.5%	66.3%	71.6%	-5.3%	Higher	57%	Higher	Higher	Yes	1	1	52.3%	2,984.25	3,013.77	29.52	0.99%
303	07/15/19	63.9%	36.1%	27.8%	66.0%	65.2%	67.3%	-2.1%	Higher	57%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	52.2%	3,017.80	2,976.61	-41.19	-1.36%
304	07/22/19	48.6%	51.4%	-2.9%	64.0%	63.2%	64.7%	-1.5%	Lower	60%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	52.0%	2,981.93	3,025.86	43.93	1.47%
305	07/29/19	60.0%	40.0%	20.0%	66.6%	66.0%	67.5%	-1.6%	Higher	54%	Higher	Lower	No	0	0	51.8%	3,024.47	2,932.05	-92.42	-3.06%
306	08/05/19	25.0%	75.0%	-50.0%	64.5%	60.0%	66.0%	-6.0%	Lower	67%	Higher	Higher	No	0	1	51.7%	2,898.07	2,918.65	20.58	0.71%
307	08/12/19	23.5%	76.5%	-52.9%	65.9%	64.4%	66.4%	-2.0%	Lower	68%	Higher	Lower	Yes	1	0	51.8%	2,907.07	2,888.68	-18.39	-0.63%
308	08/19/19	36.7%	63.3%	-26.7%	63.8%	57.7%	67.4%	-9.6%	Lower	65%	Higher	Lower	Yes	1	0	52.0%	2,913.48	2,847.11	-66.37	-2.28%
309	08/26/19	39.5%	60.5%	-21.1%	67.9%	60.3%	72.8%	-12.5%	Lower	62%	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:

- Functional QE and strength of the dollar.
- Republican victory in votes counted i read alot more than Democrates
- Markets are oversold
- I think it would go up providing Trump does not say anything stupid this week, like attack the Head of the Federal Reserve or does something different with China
- flushing out the weak hands in a countertrend rally
- 2 try in the weekly chart
- down today
- up week reprieve from down market
- It came down to solid support area and will bounce, unless their is some news to spark the market up, it will not hold..
- tariffs actually impact very little of the overall economy - which is still doing well
- Many time studies and cycles culminate next week so there is going to be highs and lows.

“Lower” Respondent Answers:

- Friday's fall tariff tweets
- Alignments & Technical Analysis.
- Many sessions it reached Resistance level but couldn't able to sustain this may lead to break the long term support level 282 eventually in this week.
- tariffs
- RSI from the daily chart and lower are all negative and the weekly is one move away to going south also
- Trade war with China, Recession fears, chart patterns.
- lower lows ..breached spx 2850 on close seems to be heading to spx 2821 .
- The downside correction is accelerating. As long as Trump keeps playing chicken with the Chinese, the market and the economy will continue to falter.
- Market is too high for the expected growth rate of 2.0% for 2nd half of 2019. Tariff nonsense will hurt. Market's failure to move above 50-day avg last week, along with Friday's drop, suggests continued dropping, with next major support around 2600.
- Summit won't produce results. France is stirring up the pot and Japan trade isn't final

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- Fridays tweets WAR is On China winning means escalation imminent
- Trade war finally effects market
- Chevron was happy to get here the first time, less so now.
- US - China comercial war!
- Too much uncertainty to cause much of a rally.
- major support broken

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

- secret ones
- Preset ATM to manage trades.
- inverse etf,s such as TZA--SDS-SDOW--SQQQ. VXX weekly calls ,as now i have the VXX 30.00 calls expiry 8 days ,10 contracts.
- I sell
- selling puts/calls
- Sell stay out track favorite stocks buy in on selling climax
- Covered call writing.
- Option spreads
- only tade pullbacks
- Alignments & Technical Analysis.
- Gold/ Silver/ small cap miners
- take my stops and close out postns
- position sizing
- sell covered calks at market
- Use options to limit exposure
- SDS
- none at this time, I do have one hedging account offshore.
- Very little being max intraday action or rarely overnight due to sudden upheaval

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.

- do you know of any good automated algo type trading system ,you can reccommend.
- Buy Gold & Silver and a lot of it, mines, stocks, etc..
- I don't like holding overnight right now..
- As long as we have a weak mind as potus we can have swings in economy and markets
- why can't my confidence level be below 50%?

TimingResearch Response: It's a binary choice, Higher or Lower. If you have less than a 50% confidence that the S&P500 is going to move Higher, then you should select Lower. A 30% chance that the index is going to move Higher is the same as a 70% chance that the index is going to move Lower.

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 #283, 02/24/19 Report - What year do you think recreational cannabis use will be federally legalized in the United States?

- 4%: 2019
- 40%: 2020
- 12%: 2021
- 20%: 2022
- 0%: 2023
- 8%: 2024
- 16%: After 2024 or Never