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Red Flags Coming From This Breadth Indicator

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Volume-Based Indicator Still Constructive

The chart below shows up/down volume for the NYSE Composite Stock Index, along with its 50-week moving average (thick blue line). The chart is dated August 28, 2017.



NYSE Advancing - Declining Volume

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Some Historical Perspective

Notice how, all-things-being equal, the probability of bad things happening increases when the 50-week moving average is flat or negative (see orange and red arrows below).

Conversely, the probability of good things happening increases when the 50-week moving average turns back up in a bullish manner (see green arrows below). The S&P 500 is shown at the bottom of the image below for reference purposes.



The blue moving average, tied to volume, turned back up in 2003 and 2009 (green arrows).

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Trend Flipped In Favor Of The Bulls In 2016

In simplified terms, volume patterns shifted from favoring declining issues in early 2016 to favoring rising issues in the second half of 2016 (see green arrow below). The constructive look of the chart is still in place as of August 28, 2017.

Similar to the turns in 2003 and 2009, the slope of the blue 50-week recently flipped back to positive territory.



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The Long-Term Outlook For Stocks

This week's video (See the LINK below) updates numerous long-term signals covered over the past year. The video covers facts rather than opinions or fears of what may or may not happen in the future.

After you click play, use the button in the lower-right corner of the video player to view in full-screen mode.

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LINK: <Ctrl-Click> https://youtu.be/-TnqSP 21Bk

A Foolproof Signal?

Since there is no such thing as a foolproof indicator or signal in the financial markets, the recent bullish shift in up/down volume assists us with probabilities. As long as the slope of the 50-week remains positive, the odds of good things happening will be higher.

Long-Term Means Long-Term

The facts covered above relate to longer-term outcomes, meaning weeks, months, and years. For this data to be used effectively, we must have realistic expectations about normal volatility within the context of a rising trend.

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