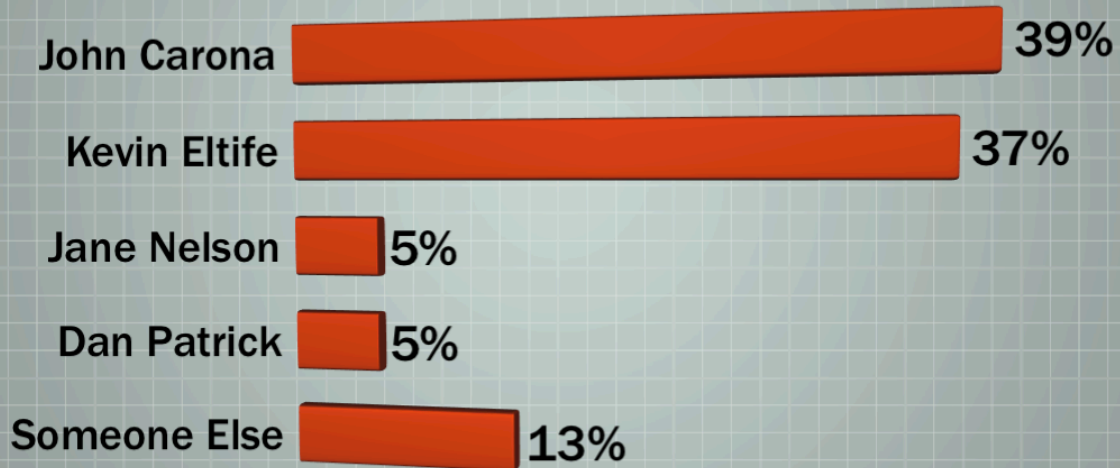


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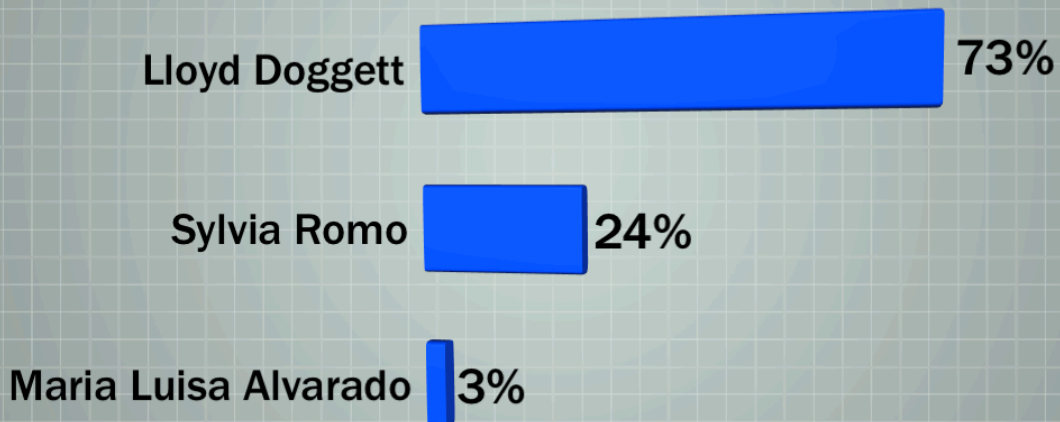
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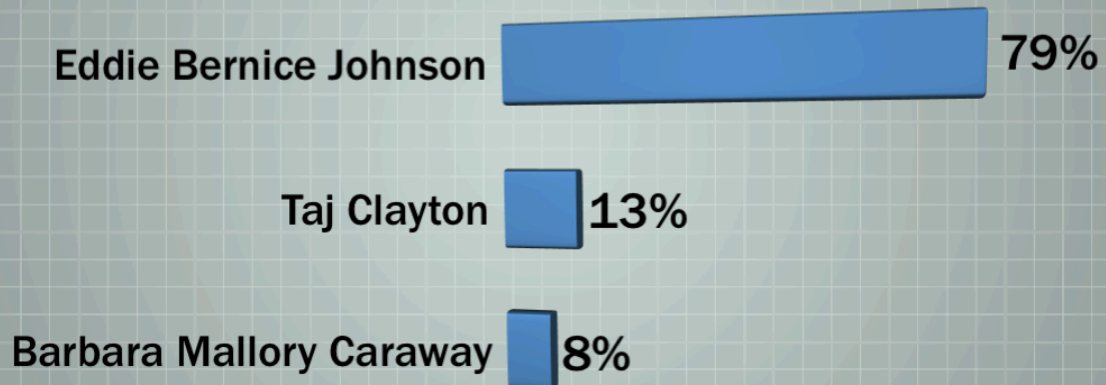
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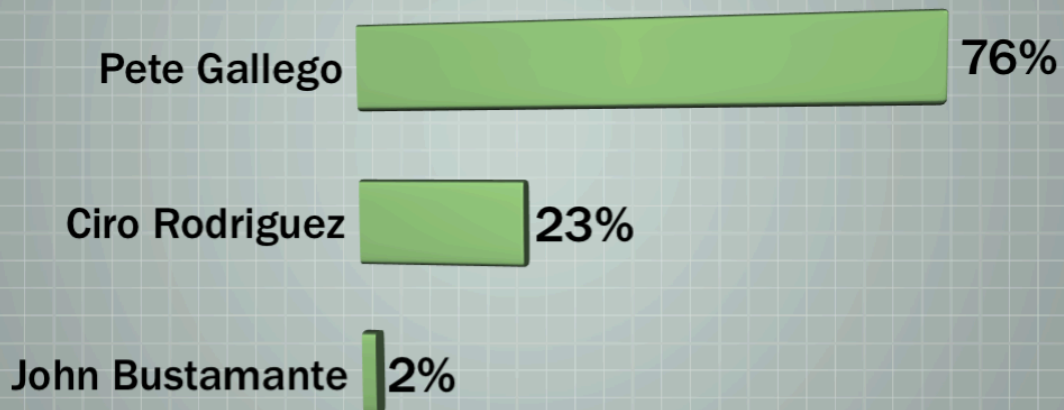
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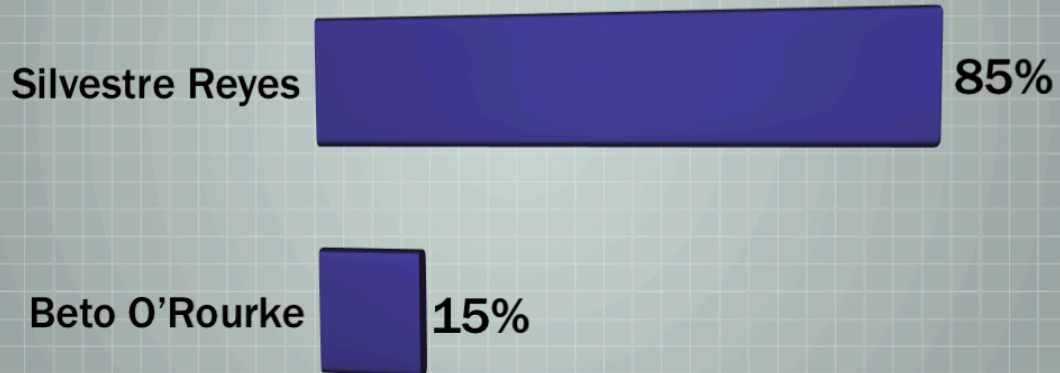
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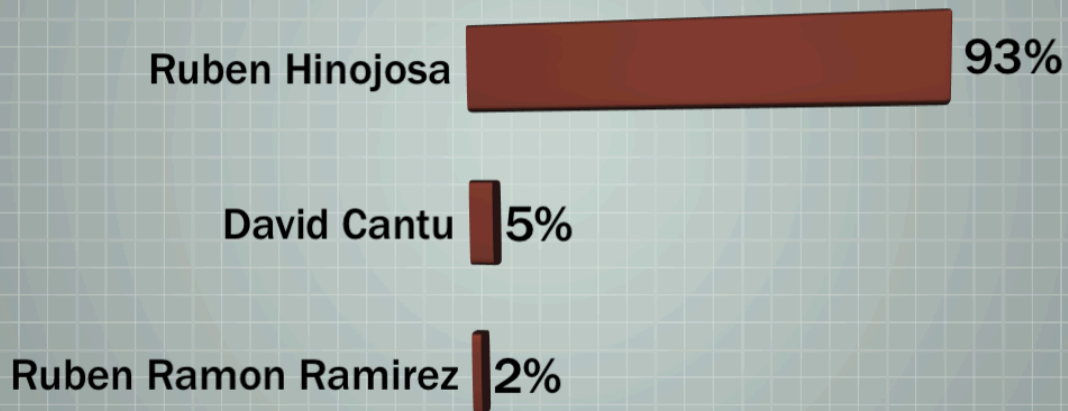
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Who Will CD-15 Democrats Nominate?



*A bonus question, from this week's Texas Senate's headlines: Who won?*

- "It would have been easier had he just sent the 'two word' response -- the one where the second word is 'you'"
- "I didn't know the senate was now a high school. Talk about cyber bullying between those two 'esteemed' colleagues."
- "Members of the Texas House"
- "Nice guys always end up the winner...."
- "All senators who were not in this week's senate headlines are winners."
- "He's Sicilian! Wait for the horse head to appear in Patrick's bed!"
- "Political Fodder"
- "Why isn't 'no one' an option? Not sure who won or lost, but it appears someone clearly lost his marbles."
- "Nobody directly involved in such ugliness every wins, but if there was a prize for brevity with deadly purpose, Carona would win that prize. News flash to Dan: Me thinks thou doth protest too much."
- "Democrats"
- "Judith Zaffirini"
- "If Patrick had a problem with Carona, he should have come to him like a man. Patrick's overwrought actions ensured the Senate was the loser."
- "No one. The public does not understand all the inside baseball and this type of exchange does nothing to enhance the public's perception of state government,"
- "Dan Patrick should learn how to use a telephone. Aren't there laws against spamming?"
- "Someone else, as in no one. Senators show themselves as nothing more than 4th graders who got caught passing notes in class"
- "What's next? Talking about his momma?"
- "No Winner. The Texas Senate as an institution was the loser."
- "Yosemite Sam"
- "The grassroots love Patrick. That's his trump card."
- "Best public scrape since Jim Nugent blocked Curtis Graves from the back mike"
- "Texans since it lowered the threat of Patrick taking over for Dewhurst in January."
- "Winner?"
- "Neither Carona nor Patrick gained favor with colleagues in preparation for Lt. Gov. selection. Eltife gained because he is seen as a non-controversial selection as Lt. Gov. for two year stint."

- "Patrick is out of the game now, and Carona may temporarily be collateral damage."
- "Patrick's talk of 'forgiveness' comes across as completely phony. At least Carona laid it out there."
- "A few came out winners (Z, Eltife, Duncan, e.g.), but only one came out a sure loser: Patrick"

- "Dan Patrick looked small and thin-skinned. What an idiot!"
- "Patrick set he ball on the tee and Carona hit it out of the park. Actually, Carona may have won the headlines for the year."
- "The 'news' media

### *Who do you think will win the CD-35 Democratic primary?*

- "SA prevails. Travis County finally gets it for being the 'liberal bastion'"
- "That guy has more political lives than a cat...."
- "How did Doggett get richer in Congress?"
- "Prince was right. Money changes everything."
- "I will believe he's gone when he doesn't fog a mirror anymore"
- "None of the above?"
- "Austin will continue to be represented by perhaps the least influential (factoring in seniority) in Congress."
- "Finally, Doggett rejoins the private sector."

### *Who do you think will win the CD-30 Democratic primary?*

- "Choosing between the evil of 3 lessers..."
- "I pity the residents of this district."
- "The folks in Dallas want her in D.C. And out of their hair!"
- "She had name ID and high favorables. Then Obama endorsed her."
- "Johnson will win, but Clayton is impressive and will be heard from again."
- "Will take a run off, though."
- "Corruption reigns there today. Then comes the FBI. It's all in the works."
- "Power of incumbency trumps all."
- "Trick question?"

### ***Who do you think will win the CD-23 Democratic primary?***

- "Not sure, think a runoff is in the works here."
- "Again, nice guys should always win."
- "Gallego's financial contributions far exceed the other candidates."
- "Pete. No repeat."
- "Runoff"
- "Will take a run off, though."
- "That mean Republican took his seat and he needs another."
- "In a Democratic primary, always bet the most liberal candidate."
- "Pete's been working the district hard, has waited his turn, and has no baggage, unlike Ciro."

### ***Who do you think will win the CD-16 Democratic primary?***

- "Incumbency & the Clinton effect will prevail."
- "With crowded fields in the CD 15 and CD 16 Democratic primaries the incumbent likely takes it. The others dilute the opportunity for one strong candidate to win"
- "Unsure"
- "Runoff"
- "Name identification, regardless his poor record, wins at the polls."
- "Reyes has serious ethical issues, but El Paso voters don't care."
- "No idea"

### ***Who do you think will win the CD-15 Democratic primary?***

- "Who? Are these really candidates?"
- "Runoff"
- "Bankruptcy aside, the incumbent will win this one."
- "Unsure"
- "No idea"

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