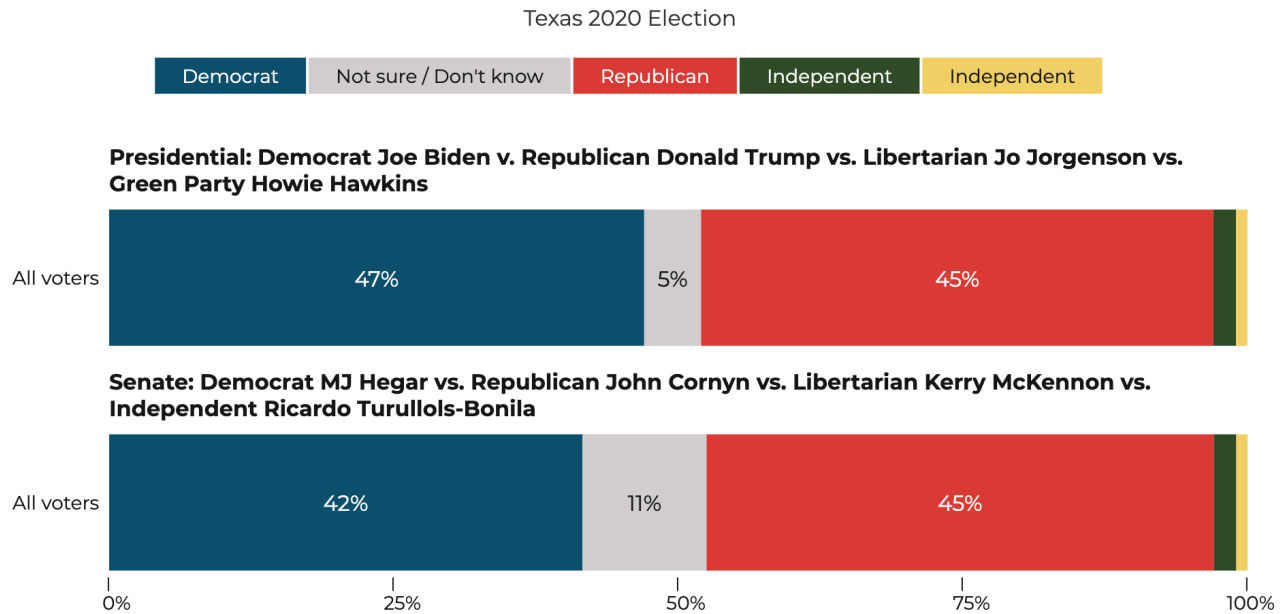# 2020 *SENATE PROJECT*
Texas

Republican incumbent John Cornyn holds a three point lead over Democrat MJ Hegar

Democrat Joe Biden holds a narrow two-point lead over President Donald Trump

TEXAS SENATE

In Texas, Democrat MJ Hegar, a combat veteran and former Congressional candidate, is going up against incumbent Republican John Cornyn. We find that Cornyn has a three point lead over Hegar (42 percent Hegar, 45 percent Cornyn). Two additional candidates, Libertarian Kerry McKennon and Independent Ricardo Turullols-Bonilla, enjoy a combined three percent of support (two percent McKennon, one percent Turullols-Bonilla). This puts Hegar running five points behind Biden in the state. That said, 11 percent of voters are still undecided, which indicates room for Hegar to grow and overtake Cornyn.

Biden Narrowly Leads Trump, While Hegar Trails Cornyn

Texas 2020 Election

| Democrat | Not sure / Don't know | Republican | Independent | Independent |

Presidential: Democrat Joe Biden v. Republican Donald Trump vs. Libertarian Jo Jorgenson vs. Green Party Howie Hawkins

All voters: 47% Democrat | 5% Not sure | 45% Republican

Senate: Democrat MJ Hegar vs. Republican John Cornyn vs. Libertarian Kerry McKennon vs. Independent Ricardo Turullols-Bonila

All voters: 42% Democrat | 11% Not sure | 45% Republican

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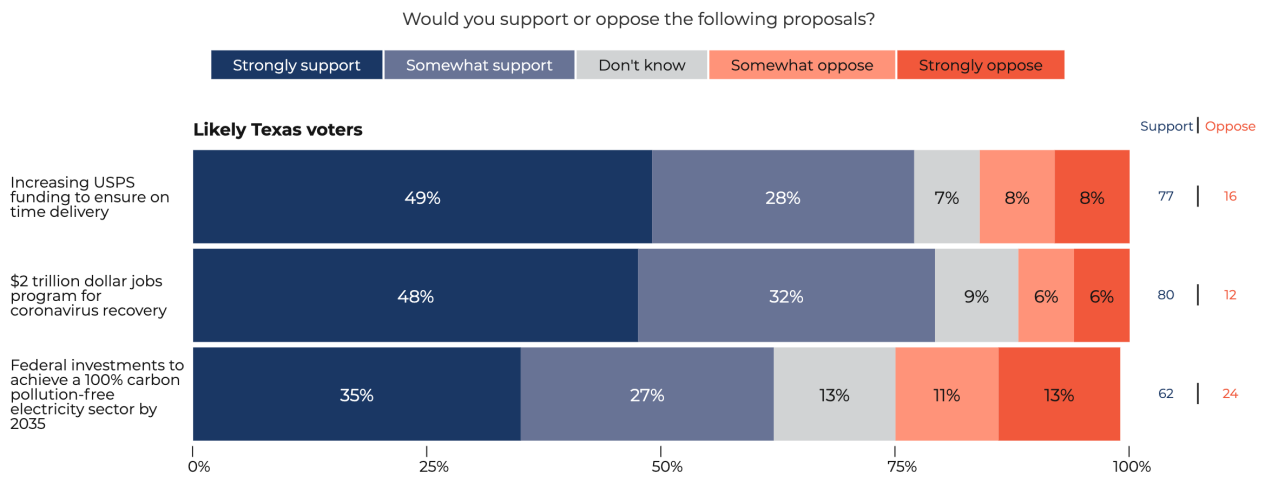
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TEXAS PRESIDENTIAL

In Texas, Biden leads Trump by two points (47 percent Biden, 45 percent Trump). Libertarian Jo Jorgenson and Green Party candidate Howie Hawkins enjoy a combined three percent of support (two percent Jorgenson, one percent Hawkins). Texas went for Donald Trump by nine points in 2016 (52 percent Trump, 43 percent Clinton).

POLICIES

Voters in this state broadly support Democratic policy priorities. By 42 percent, Texas voters favor extending coronavirus relief until the unemployment rate falls back to where it was before the crisis. Eighty percent of Texas voters support a jobs program to help rebuild American infrastructure and increase public health capacity to recover from the coronavirus emergency. Providing additional funding to the USPS to deliver essential needs is also popular by an overwhelming 61-point margin (77 percent support, 16 percent oppose). We also find that a majority of Texas voters (62 percent) support federal investments to achieve a 100% carbon free electricity sector by 2035.
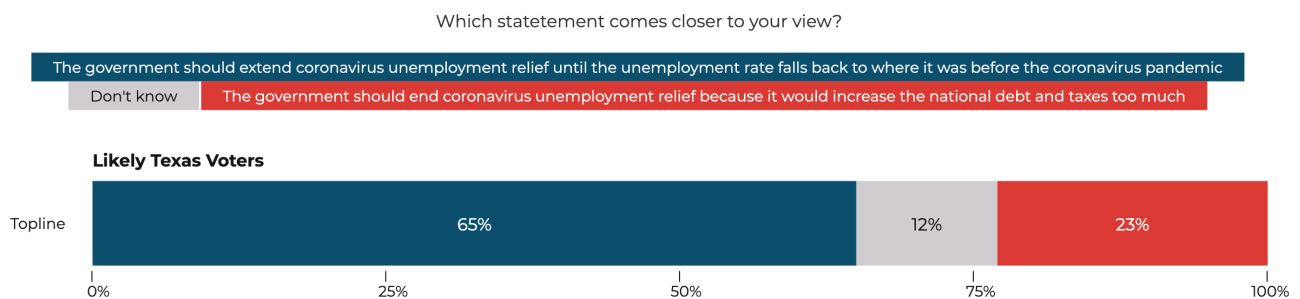
Voters In Texas Support Progressive Priorities

Would you support or oppose the following proposals?

| Strongly support | Somewhat support | Don't know | Somewhat oppose | Strongly oppose |

Likely Texas voters
Support | Oppose

Proposal	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Don't know	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Support	Oppose
Increasing USPS funding to ensure on time delivery	49%	28%	7%	8%	8%	77	16
$2 trillion dollar jobs program for coronavirus recovery	48%	32%	9%	6%	6%	80	12
Federal investments to achieve a 100% carbon pollution-free electricity sector by 2035	35%	27%	13%	11%	13%	62	24

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Voters In Texas Support Extending Expanded Unemployment Insurance

Which statetement comes closer to your view?

| The government should extend coronavirus unemployment relief until the unemployment rate falls back to where it was before the coronavirus pandemic |
| Don't know | The government should end coronavirus unemployment relief because it would increase the national debt and taxes too much |

Likely Texas Voters

	Extend relief	Don't know	End relief
Topline	65%	12%	23%

0%   25%   50%   75%   100%

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METHODOLOGY

From September 30 to October 5, 2020, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 1949 likely voters in Texas using web panel and SMS respondents. The sample was weighted to be representative of likely voters by age, gender, education, race, and voting history. The survey was conducted in English. The margin of error is +/- 2.2 percentage points.