

Colombia's presidential election runoff

Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos is battling for re-election after losing the first round vote to right-wing challenger Oscar Ivan Zuluaga



Juan Manuel Santos, 62

- Swept to office in 2010 on wave of popularity due to security gains made while serving as defence minister under administration of his predecessor, **Alvaro Uribe**
- Pledges to continue his 18-month effort to achieve peace deal with **FARC (Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia)** – country's largest rebel group. Warns talks could collapse if he is not re-elected
- Has secured backing of leftist candidate **Clara Lopez**, who won 15.2 percent of vote in first round
- Backs new approach to fight drug trafficking, saying current war on drugs has failed
- U.S.-educated economist has presided over one of Latin America's best performing economies – GDP growth of 4.3 percent in 2013

Oscar Ivan Zuluaga, 55

- Supports tougher line against FARC rebels, calling on them to declare unilateral ceasefire before peace talks continue. Insists rebel leaders must serve prison time
- Will not maintain what he calls Santos's policy of "complicit silence" over crackdown on dissidents in neighbouring Venezuela by President **Nicolas Maduro**
- Appealing to broad swathe of voters by focusing attention on improving health care and education
- Served as finance minister under Uribe's government, helping to steer Colombia's economy through global financial crisis. Remains close ally of former president
- Supported by Conservative Party candidate **Marta Lucia Ramirez**, who polled 15.5 percent in first round