Colombia votes in polarised election

Voters face a choice between sharply different visions for Colombia's economy and security, in an election seen as a key test of whether the right-wing wave across Latin America is continuing or fading



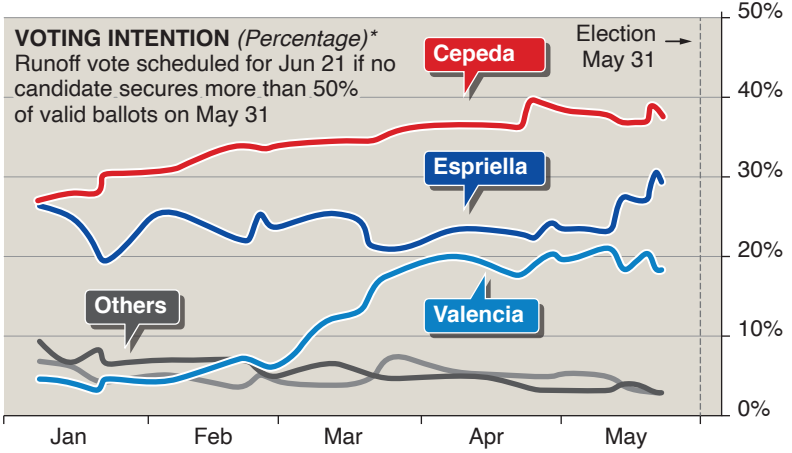
Iván Cepeda, 63
Left-wing senator and human rights advocate. Pledges to continue policies set by current President ***Gustavo Petro*** by expanding social reforms aimed at reducing inequality and advancing peace talks with armed groups



Abelardo de la Espriella, 47
Right-wing millionaire known as "El Tigre". Promises hardline approach to crime and drug trafficking, end to talks with armed groups, lower taxes and support for private mining and energy investment



Paloma Valencia, 48
Conservative senator campaigning alongside mentor, hardline right-wing former president ***Álvaro Uribe.*** Supports expanding armed forces, reducing size of government, promoting business and cutting taxes



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