



TO: Interested Parties
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RE: Cornyn and Paxton Locked in Dead Heat, While Hunt Tanks

A recent statewide survey of likely 2026 Texas Republican Primary voters, conducted for Texans for a Conservative Majority (TCM), reveals two key findings one week out from Election Day.

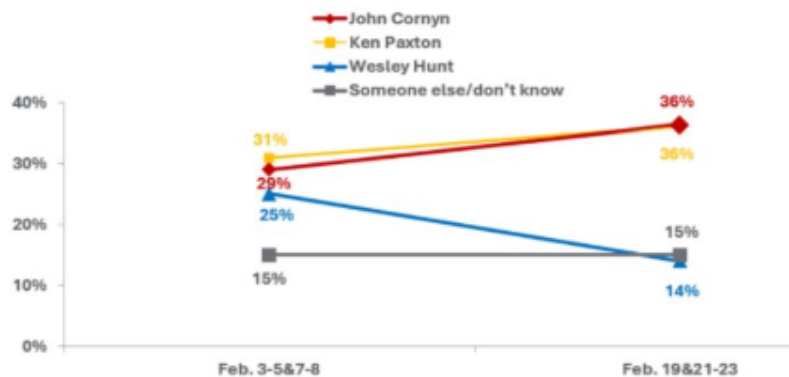
John Cornyn and Ken Paxton are locked in a dead heat, while Congressman Wesley Hunt has plummeted to a distant 3rd place, including in Houston, his home media market.

Three-way ballot	Feb.
Cornyn	36%
Paxton	36%
Hunt	14%
Don't know/someone else	15%

Cornyn leads in the San Antonio media market and Paxton leads in Dallas. Cornyn and Paxton are statistically tied in both the Austin and Houston media markets, while Hunt is only managing 17% in his home media market.

Hunt has plummeted on the ballot over the past three weeks.

An early February poll for TCM, conducted by Peak Insights Feb. 3-5 & 7-8 (N=1000 live calls, MoE +/-3%), found Paxton (31%) and Cornyn (29%) statistically tied and Hunt in 3rd place at 25%, just outside the margin of error. Over the past 21 days, Hunt has plummeted to just 14% on the ballot.



At the same time, Cornyn is picking up steam, moving from 29% to 36% on the ballot one week out.

Methodology

The survey, conducted by Peak Insights for Texans for a Conservative Majority, was fielded February 19, 21-23, 2026. We completed N=800 (MoE +/-3%) live interviews among a representative sample of 2026 GOP primary election voters in Texas. The survey includes responses from voters who have already voted and from those who have yet to vote. The totals are combined voted/not yet voted responses.

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