State Elections in Mexico: The End of an Era?

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MORENA:

- The New Powerhouse in the State Governorships.
- CHIAPAS, Rutilio Escandón Cadenas, candidate of the Alliance, Morena-PT-PES, leads in the polls with roughly 41%.
- CDMX, with Claudia Sheinbaum, a close ally of AMLO.
- TABASCO: Morena candidate will have few problems; after a scandal ridden-PRD term.
- MORELOS: Cuauhtémoc Blanco, former football star and mayor of state capital.

PAN: A Potential Disaster in the States.

 GUANAJUATO: Diego Sinhué Rodríguez Vallejo, de los partidos PAN, PRD y Movimiento Ciudadano está en primer lugar con 38.0% en.

JALISCO: Graveyard of the Big Parties

- En Jalisco, Enrique Alfaro de Movimiento Ciudadano (former mayor of state capital, and local deputy). Seen as somewhat to the left;
- However, several of his collaborators are expanistas and he supported Josefina Vazquez Mota. 39%, followed by Miguel Castro of the PRI.

Yucatan: Where the PRI stands a Chance

- YUCATÁN, Mauricio Vila, of PAN and Movimiento Ciudadano, is tied in first place with.
- Mauricio Sahui, of PRI-Verde;

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 PRI IS OUT OF CONTENTION IN: VERACRUZ (2016), PUEBLA (2008), MORELOS (2000), GUANAJUATO (1995), JALISCO (2018), CDMX, TABASCO (2012), CHIAPAS (2012).

The PAN Tied in Two States.

- VERACRUZ. Miguel Ángel Yunes Márquez, son of the current governor, Miguel Ángel Yunes, Frente (PAN/PRD), leading with about 36% of the voting intentions. Close behind is another Morena candidate Cuitláhuac García (30.8%).
- PUEBLA. Martha Erika Alonso, of the Frente PAN-PRD-MC, leading with 32% followed by Morena, PT y PES candidate, Miguel Barbosa, con 29%.
- Both of these candidates have problems with their public image.

TRENDS: Bad for All but Morena.

- PAN currently holds 9 states. Could lose VC and Puebla.
- PRD currently holds 5 states. Will lose CDMX, Morelos and Tabasco.
- PRI holds 14 states today. Will lose Jalisco. Could lose Yucatán.

However,

• Will Morena survive the end of AMLO's career with state governorships?

What Do These Potential Results Mean for the Mexican Party System?

- In terms of state populations.
- In terms of INE money.
- In terms of the next mid—term elections.
- Will the PRI survive the loss of so many states?
- Is the PRD dead? Frente is a short-term alliance.

REGIONAL WEAKNESSES: MAJORITY DISTRICTS IN DIFFERENT CIRCUMSCRIPTIONS, 2012

		PAN	PRD	PRI/PVEM
Circun. 1	Northwest	13	0	47
Circun 2	Northeast	28	0	31
Circun 3	Southeast	6	18	33
Circun 4	Guerrero/DF/ Morelos	5	41	14
Circun 5	Edomex/Mich	1	11	49

Potential Population Gains from 2018

25,000,000 MORENA	lf it wins Puebla
2,180,000 PRI	lf wins Yucatan
14,100,000 PAN	Veracruz and Guanajuato
8,100,000 MC	JALISCO