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Presidential candidate Lula da Silva remains ahead in Brazil's runoff polls

Brazilian presidential candidate Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva remains ahead of his competitor, President Jair Bolsonaro in runoff poll. From 8-10 OCT IPEC surveyed 2,000 Brazilian citizens and declared Lula's voter support reached 51 percent and Bolsonaro's voter support reached 42, with a margin error of 2 percentage points up or down. On 02 OCT, Brazil held its general election, which eliminated Senator Simone Tebet who won over four percent of the vote. On 5 OCT Tebet endorsed Lula publicly at a press conference. She stated she will support Lula because she "recognize[s] his commitment to democracy and the constitution, which [she] doesn't see in the current president." END

CMCD Note

It is likely the almost 5 million voters for Tebet will vote for Lula. Since she won four percent of the vote, it will give Lula the lead to win Brazil's presidency. It is highly probable other left leaning and centrist presidential candidates will announce their endorsements for Lula in the two weeks before the election. We estimate with moderate confidence that Lula will win the presidential race in Brazil.

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