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Jara Holds the Lead at 27% in First Round; Runoff Projections Show Wins Over Parisi and Kaiser, Criteria Finds

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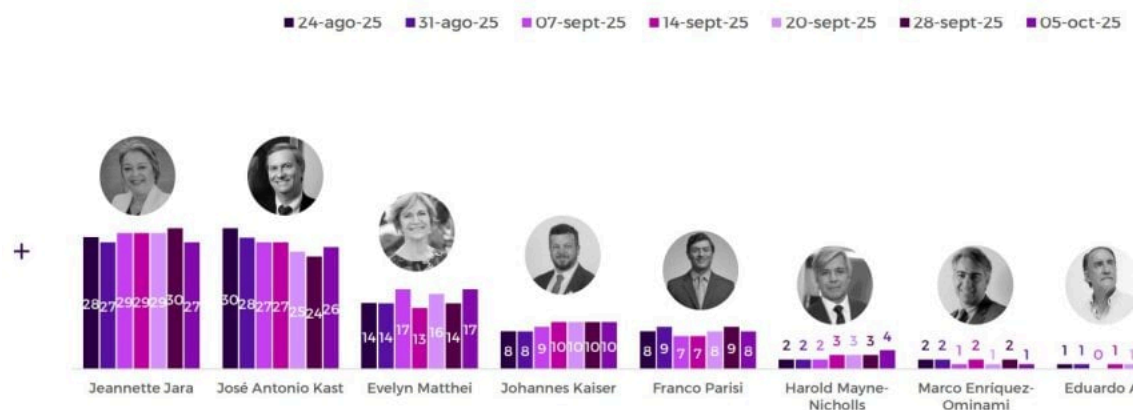
The latest October Criteria poll places **Jeannette Jara** at the top of the **first round** with **27%** support, followed closely by Republican Party candidate **José Antonio Kast** on **26%**. Further back are Chile Vamos standard-bearer **Evelyn Matthei** (**17%**), **Johannes Kaiser** (**10%**), **Franco Parisi** (**8%**), and **Harold Mayne-Nicholls** (**4%**), while **Marco Enríquez-Ominami** and **Eduardo Artés** each register **1%**; **6%** express no preference.

In **runoff scenarios**, the Unidad por Chile candidate **beats Parisi** (**35% vs 31%**) and **Kaiser** (**37% vs 35%**); by contrast, she **trails Kast** (**36% vs 47%**) and **Matthei** (**34% vs 41%**).

First round: Jara holds the lead with 27%

The electoral snapshot shows **Jeannette Jara** in first place with **27%**, one point ahead of **Kast (26%)**, with **Matthei** firmly in **third place (17%)**. Among candidates polling in single digits, **Kaiser (10%)** leads, followed by **Parisi (8%)** and **Mayne-Nicholls (4%)**; **MEO** and **Artés** are at **1%**. The “**don’t know/no answer**” universe holds at **6%**. These figures confirm that, with **27% in the first round**, the race for the top spot remains tight, but the government-aligned contender keeps the **leading position**.

Si la elección presidencial fuese este domingo, ¿por cuál de las siguientes candidaturas votarías?



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Second round: Jara defeats Parisi and Kaiser; trails Kast and Matthei

Head-to-head, **Jara** is **ahead of Parisi (35% vs 31%)** and **of Kaiser (37% vs 35%)**, underscoring her competitiveness against figures from the rising right and far right. In contrast, **Criteria** projects an **advantage for Kast (47% vs 36%)** and **for Matthei (41% vs 34%)** in potential runoffs against the government candidate. In both matchups, **null/blank** responses reach **17%** and **25%**, respectively, suggesting margins that could still shift as the campaign progresses.

Beyond the **first- and second-round presidential scenarios**, October's Criteria report includes **approval of the President and the Government**, an **assessment of the opposition**, the **“imagined winner”** (who is perceived to be the next President), **candidate eligibility/consideration**, and a section on **Michelle Bachelet's bid for UN Secretary-General** along with **opinions about the UN**. The report also details its **methodology** and provides a **summary of results**.

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