

UKRAINE CONFLICT REGIONAL SURVEY

JUNE 2022

14,104 adults were interviewed by telephone or online between 2 and 20 June 2022 in Ukraine, Russia, Moldova, Georgia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia, Hungary, Poland, Serbia, Finland and Sweden. All figures are % Results have been weighted to be representative of all adults in each country. Full data tables are available at LordAshcroftPolls.com

THE WAR IN UKRAINE

How long do you expect the war that started on 24 February 2022 to continue?

<i>The war will...</i>	UKR	RUS	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
be over by the end of June	6	3	14	2	2	1	20	3	2	2	4	4	3
continue for another 1-3 months	16	15	20	14	14	9	17	11	15	13	19	16	14
continue for another 4-6 months	26	16	15	16	19	19	10	13	23	16	18	19	20
continue for another 6-12 months	18	16	12	18	18	23	10	14	22	18	18	21	19
continue for more than a year from now	24	27	20	26	17	23	25	28	20	28	18	22	25
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	10	23	19	24	29	25	18	31	18	23	23	18	19

[Ukraine] Are you more or less confident that Ukraine will successfully defeat the Russian invasion than you were when the conflict started?

[Russia] Are you more or less confident that Russia's special military operation will be successful than you were when it started?

	UKR	RUS
I am more confident now	60	37
I am no more or less confident now	31	48
I am less confident now	6	7
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	3	8

[Russia only] Do you support or oppose the current special military operation in Ukraine?

	RUS	Change since March 2022
Strongly support	51	-6
Somewhat support	23	+5
Somewhat oppose	8	-
Strongly oppose	11	-
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	7	+1

[Russia only] Which of the following statements do you most agree with?

	RUS	Change since March 2022
I support the special military operation in Ukraine, despite the economic sanctions imposed on Russia	66	-3
I would support the special military operation, but the economic sanctions imposed on Russia mean the cost is too high and the operation should end	10	+1
I would oppose the special military operation even without the economic sanctions imposed on Russia	15	+1
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	9	+1

[Russia only] How much responsibility do you think each of the following has for the current conflict in Ukraine?

<i>% saying 'a great deal' or 'some'</i>	RUS	Change since March 2022
NATO	73	-4
The US	75	-5
The EU	64	-6
Ukraine	76	+1
Russia	41	+3

[Ukraine only] Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

<i>% agreeing</i>	UKR	Change since March 2022
I would feel safer if I knew Ukraine had nuclear weapons	68	+8
If I could leave Ukraine safely tomorrow for another country, I would	12	+1
I want Ukraine to become a member of NATO	81	-5
The package of economic sanctions will be effective in bringing an end to the war	69	+1
Despite our differences, there is more that unites ethnic Russians living in Ukraine and Ukrainians than divides us	51	-14

Please say whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

<i>% agreeing</i>	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
Ukraine should be allowed to join NATO if that is what its population wants	89	75	69	78	62	46	50	73	30	74	76
Ukraine should be allowed to join the EU if that is what its population wants	94	79	72	80	78	53	54	77	51	79	78
The economic sanctions imposed on Russia so far are justified	76	67	68	77	42	50	54	82	20	82	74
The economic sanctions imposed on Russia so far are likely to be effective	66	34	39	66	37	28	39	54	17	52	64
Russia would be justified in seeing the expansion of NATO as a threat to Russia's security	51	27	30	28	50	51	51	40	68	38	32
[NATO countries only] A 'no-fly zone' should be imposed over Ukraine, even if it means forces from [home country] shooting down Russian military aircraft	-	43	43	45	-	24	25	45	-	-	-

THIRD-COUNTRY INVOLVEMENT

Do you think each of the following are doing enough to help Ukraine?

<i>% saying 'yes'</i>	UKR	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
NATO	33	45	33	38	39	58	53	55	49	27	41	36
The European Union	43	56	35	41	40	69	63	63	44	33	49	45
The US	71	64	56	48	55	67	53	59	62	29	54	45
The UK	78	65	53	31	57	54	46	49	53	28	51	45
France	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
China	8	14	9	10	8	18	18	21	8	18	9	10
[Home country]	-	71	83	74	81	80	76	58	86	33	69	63

Would you support or oppose [home country] taking the following action in response to Russian military action in Ukraine?

<i>% saying 'support'</i>	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
Imposing further economic sanctions on Russia even if they have an impact in [home country]	42	63	52	67	27	31	28	67	12	64	61
Sending aid, such as medical supplies, to Ukraine	98	87	85	89	83	76	77	90	74	87	89
Accepting large numbers of Ukrainian refugees in [home country]	72	42	52	79	62	34	49	50	45	56	64
Supplying military equipment such as weapons and ammunition for use by Ukrainian forces	51	71	64	77	23	33	23	78	6	72	65
Sending troops from [home country] to fight alongside Ukrainian forces	24	21	27	43	12	12	6	24	3	25	28

Which of the following do you think is the most likely?

	UKR	RUS	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
The military conflict will remain between Ukraine and Russia only	45	46	57	54	47	43	50	53	56	40	57	60	55
The military conflict will spread to other countries in the region	27	23	15	19	22	27	21	20	20	29	16	22	22
The military conflict will develop into another World War	16	13	17	14	13	10	14	12	12	16	12	9	11
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	12	18	11	13	18	20	15	15	11	13	15	9	12

[Ukraine only] Do you have a favourable or unfavourable view of each of the following?

<i>% saying very or somewhat favourable</i>	UKR	Change since March 2022
President Zelensky	93	+1
The Russian people	5	-9
President Putin	1	-1
Joe Biden	89	n/a
Boris Johnson	90	n/a
Emmanuel Macron	42	n/a
Olaf Scholz	42	n/a

SOLUTIONS TO THE CONFLICT

If it guaranteed an immediate end to the Russian invasion, which of President Putin's scenarios, if any, would you be willing to accept?

<i>% saying 'acceptable'</i>	UKR	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
Officially recognising Crimea as part of Russia	11	14	17	21	13	45	36	43	16	55	20	17
A ban on Ukraine entering NATO	27	31	18	21	15	41	43	42	22	64	22	18
NATO scaling back their troops and weapons in countries bordering Russia	22	36	18	23	16	53	48	44	17	73	24	29

[Russia only] Would you support or oppose each of the following?

	Support	Change since March 2022
Negotiations with Ukraine	56	-8
Negotiations with the West	56	-8
Stronger Russian military action in Ukraine	59	-
Withdrawing Russian forces from Ukraine	30	+1

Do you think the war is more likely to be ended by a military solution (the defeat of one side's military) or a diplomatic solution (an agreement to end the war between diplomatic representatives from Russia and Ukraine)?

	UKR	RUS	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
A military solution	56	42	31	53	50	47	24	33	29	41	28	39	32
A diplomatic solution	38	49	65	32	34	35	70	49	60	42	60	44	48
Don't know/Refuse	6	9	4	15	16	18	6	18	11	17	12	17	20

RUSSIA'S CLAIMS

Do you feel that any part of Ukraine is rightfully part of Russia?

	UKR	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
Yes	0	7	11	10	6	34	18	29	9	41	10	9
No	98	84	77	72	83	51	56	34	79	22	80	76
Don't know/Refuse	2	9	12	18	11	15	26	37	12	37	10	15

[Russia only] In your opinion, should the following territories be part of Russia?

	Yes	Change since March 2022
Crimea	91	-
Donetsk People's Republic	74	+6
Luhansk People's Republic	73	+5
Any other part of Ukraine	45	+6

THE RUSSIAN THREAT?

Do you feel Russia is more of an ally or adversary to [home country]?

<i>I think...</i>	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
Russia is more of an ally	9	4	10	3	30	18	26	4	55	7	5
Russia is more of an adversary	78	67	47	70	20	27	15	73	3	49	47
Russia is neither an ally nor an adversary	11	24	34	19	43	46	53	18	35	37	40
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	2	5	9	8	7	9	6	5	7	7	8

How much of a threat do you feel Russia is to the security of [home country], if at all?

<i>I think...</i>	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
A very serious threat	60	31	21	30	18	10	10	35	3	20	13
A fairly serious threat	28	40	33	42	19	38	25	42	10	37	40
A small threat	7	16	23	12	20	27	33	15	18	33	33
Not a threat at all	4	7	14	7	38	13	22	3	56	4	6
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	1	6	9	9	5	12	10	5	13	6	8

Which of the following comes closer to your own view?

<i>I think...</i>	UKR	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
Russia's action is mostly down to Putin – the Russia will not be as serious a threat to its neighbours after he has gone	35	44	31	31	29	46	41	50	42	27	48	53
Russia will continue to be a serious threat to its neighbours even after Putin has gone	62	49	56	45	57	33	30	29	50	36	41	33
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	3	7	13	24	14	21	29	21	8	37	11	14

[Ukraine, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Serbia] Do you consider your country's future to be closer to Russia or closer to Europe?

	UKR	EST	LAT	LIT	SER
Closer to Russia	2	8	9	5	38
Closer to Europe	96	81	76	84	39
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	2	11	15	11	23

[Georgia, Moldova, Serbia, Finland, Sweden] Do you think [home country] should join NATO?

	GEO	MOL	SER	FIN	SWE
Yes	80	29	9	73	60
No	15	62	76	11	19
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	5	8	15	16	21

THE PUTIN NARRATIVE

Do you think most people in Russia support President Putin, or not?

<i>I think...</i>	UKR	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
most Russians support President Putin	47	33	45	49	51	37	41	28	45	51	25	24
most Russians oppose President Putin	7	35	13	15	12	22	19	24	19	8	28	34
Russians are approximately evenly divided on President Putin	44	28	34	27	29	38	29	37	28	28	40	32
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	2	4	8	9	8	3	11	12	8	13	7	10

[Russia only] Do you have a favourable or unfavourable view of each of the following?

<i>% saying very or somewhat favourable</i>	RUS	Change since March 2022
President Putin	85	-
President Zelensky	7	-
The Russian military	86	-2
NATO	10	+2
The European Union	22	+3
China	78	-4
The UK	25	+8
The US	16	+4
France	31	n/a
Germany	30	n/a

[Russia only] Please say whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

<i>% agree/disagree</i>	RUS	Change since March 2022
Military action in Ukraine is necessary to protect the security of Russia	78	-3
The expansion of NATO is a threat to Russia's security and sovereignty	74	-5
Ukraine should be allowed to join NATO if that is what its population wants	21	+5
The economic sanctions imposed on Russia are justified	15	+1
Economic sanctions imposed on Russia have started to affect me or people I know	49	-6
President Zelensky and his government are the legitimate authority of Ukraine	28	-4

[Russia only] Please say whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

	RUS	Change since March 2022
Russia will emerge from the current conflict stronger than it was before	83	+2
Russia's international reputation has been damaged in recent years	40	-5
Life for the majority of Russians has got worse over the last 20 years	31	-1
I trust Russia's current leadership to make the right decisions for the country	86	+1
President Putin has the best interests of ordinary Russians at heart	79	+1
Ukraine seems to be resisting Russian forces more strongly than I would have expected	57	+4

Which of the following do you think is more important?

	UKR	RUS	GEO	EST	LAT	LIT	MOL	SLO	HUN	POL	SER	FIN	SWE
Ensuring the media are free to report without restrictions	26	26	55	26	30	38	42	40	29	39	46	26	41
Ensuring people are not exposed to misinformation	69	67	41	67	56	55	43	53	67	55	48	66	52
<i>Don't know/Refuse</i>	5	7	4	7	14	7	15	8	4	6	6	8	7