### Public Opinion Survey Residents of Ukraine

November 19-30, 2015

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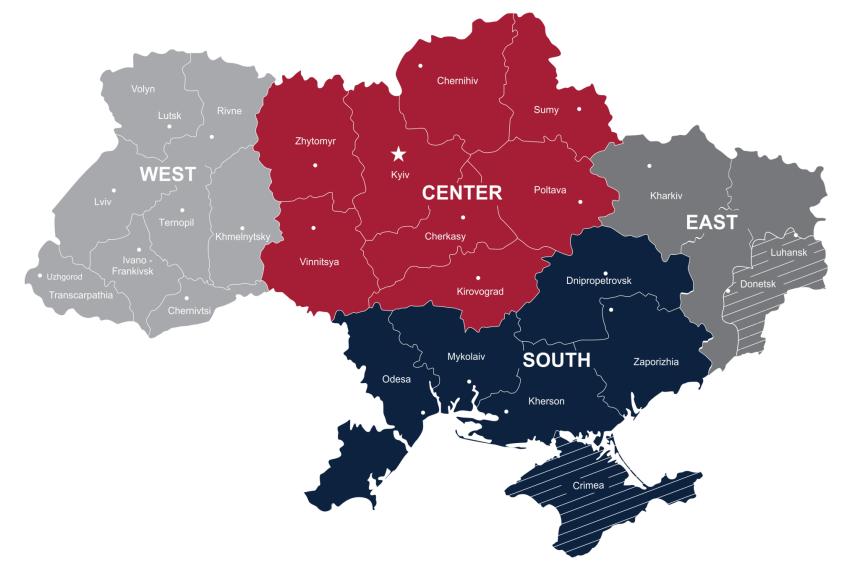
### **Detailed Methodology**

- The survey was conducted by <u>Rating Group Ukraine</u> on behalf of the <u>International Republican Institute</u>.
- Data was collected throughout Ukraine (except the occupied territories of Crimea and part of the Donbas) between November 19-30, 2015, through face-to-face interviews at respondents' home.
- The sample consisted of 1,800 permanent residents of Ukraine aged 18 and older and eligible to vote. It is representative for the general population by age, education, region and size of the settlement. An additional 1,284 respondents were also surveyed from Donetsk and Luhansk *oblasts*. Multi-stage probability sampling method was used with the random route and next birthday methods for respondent selection.
  - Stage one: 25 official administrative regions of Ukraine were defined (24 regions of Ukraine and Kyiv). All regions of Ukraine were surveyed except the occupied territories of Crimea and parts of the Donbas region (the parts of Donetsk and Luhansk *oblasts* not under the control of Ukrainian authorities).
  - Stage two: The selection of settlements was based on towns and villages. Towns were grouped into subtypes according to their size:
    - City more than one million residents
    - City 500,000-999,000 residents
    - City 100,000-499,000 residents
    - City 50,000-99,000 residents
    - City to 50,000 residents
    - Village
  - Settlements were selected at random. The number of selected settlements in each region was proportional to the share of the population living in a particular type of the settlement in each region.
  - Stage three: Primary sampling units were described.
- The margin of error does not exceed plus or minus 2.3 percent.
- Response rate was 65.9 percent.
- Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
- The survey was funded by the <u>Government of Canada</u>.

#### Detailed Methodology Donbas Oversample

- Data was collected throughout the Donbas region (Donetsk and Luhansk *oblasts*) between November 19-30, 2015, through face-to-face interviews at respondents' homes.
- The sample consisted of 1,284 permanent residents of the Donbas region, aged 18 and older and eligible to vote. It is representative of the general population by age, education, region and size of the settlement.
- Multi-stage probability sampling method was used with random route and next birthday selection procedures.
  - Stage one: The Donbas regional territory was divided into Donetsk and Luhansk *oblasts*. The survey was conducted in all parts of those two *oblasts* under the control of Ukrainian authorities.
  - Stage two: The selection of settlements was based on towns and villages. Towns were grouped into subtypes according to their size:
    - City 500,000-999,000 residents
    - City 100,000-499,000 residents
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    - City to 50,000 residents
    - Village
  - Settlements were selected at random. The number of selected settlements in each region was proportional to the share of population living in a particular type of the settlement in each region.
  - Stage three: Primary sampling units were described.
- The margin of error does not exceed plus or minus 2.8 percent.
- Response rate was 59.7 percent.
- Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.

### Geographical Key



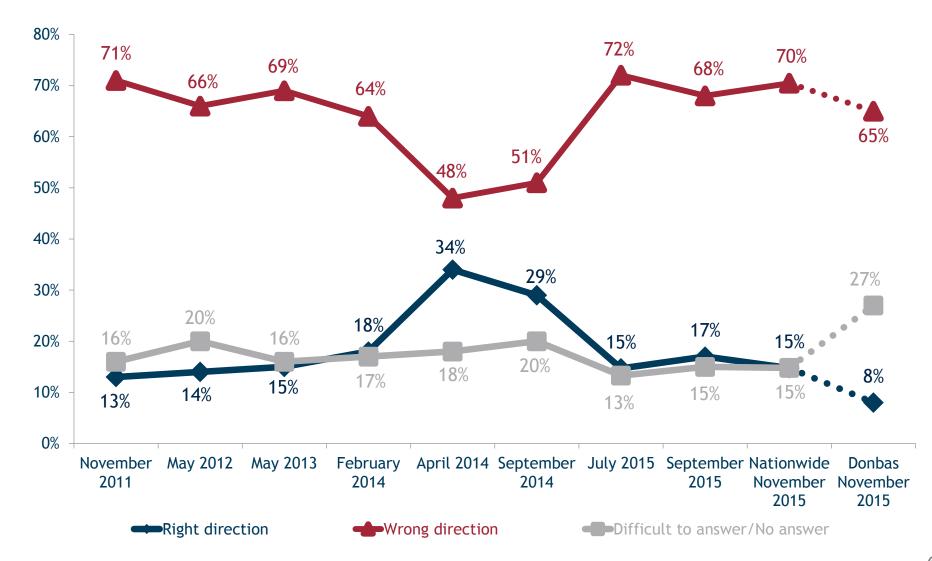
Due to the Russian occupation of Crimea and the ongoing conflict in eastern Ukraine, residents of Crimea and the separatist-controlled territories of Donetsk and Luhansk *oblasts* were not included in this poll. Those areas with lines through them indicate territories not under the control of Ukrainian authorities.

### Pessimism is High Following Two Years of Violent Conflict with Russia

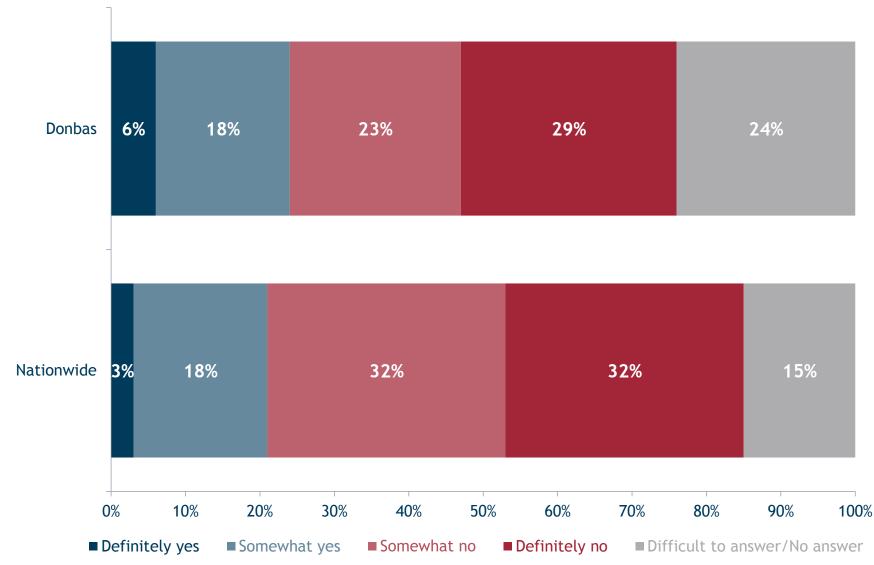
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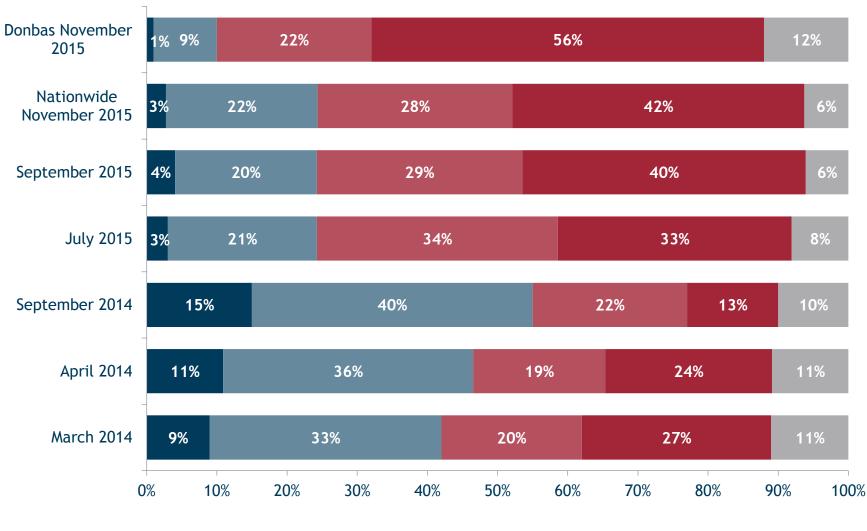
# Generally speaking, do you think that things in Ukraine are going in the right direction or wrong direction?



#### In your opinion, are the national authorities of Ukraine doing enough to keep the liberated areas of the Donbas within Ukrainian territory?

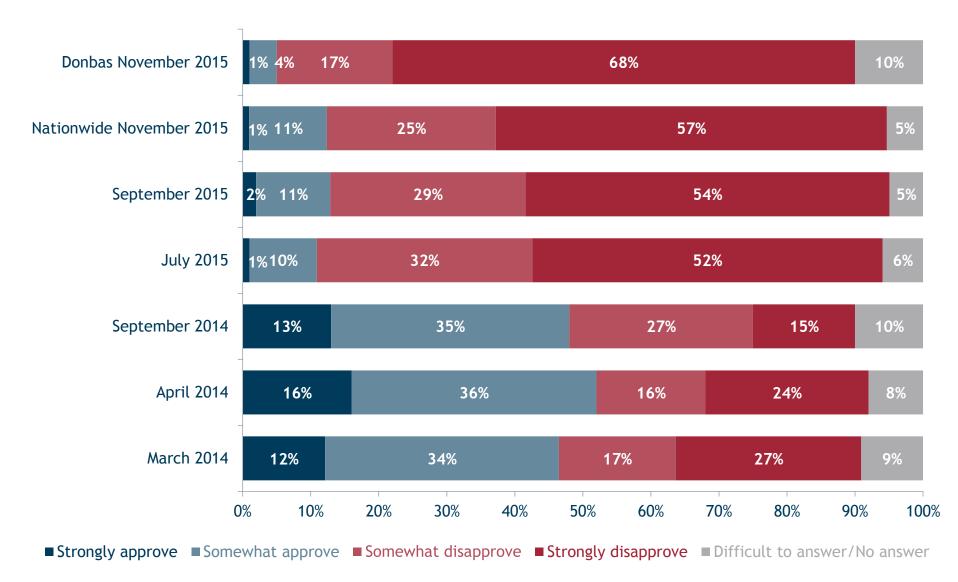


#### Do you approve or disapprove of the job the President of Ukraine Petro Poroshenko is doing?

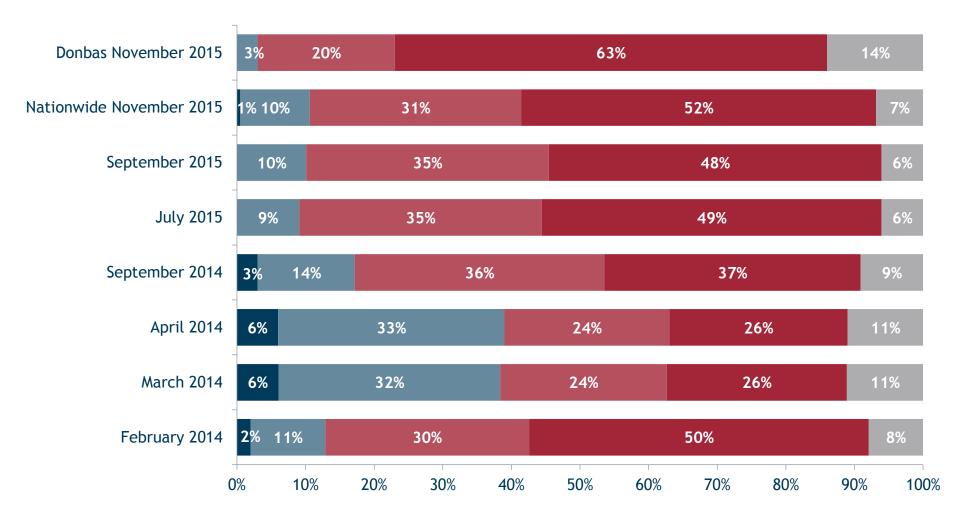


Strongly approve Somewhat approve Somewhat disapprove Strongly disapprove Difficult to answer/No answer/

#### Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Cabinet of Ministers under Arseniy Yatsenyuk is doing?



# Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Parliament of Ukraine is doing?



Strongly approve Somewhat approve Somewhat disapprove Strongly disapprove Difficult to answer/No answer

# What is your opinion of each of the following Ukrainian politicians or members of the Ukrainian government?

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Former head of the Party of Regions faction Oleksandr Yefremov

Very favorable

Very unfavorable

#### Somewhat favorable

Have not heard the name

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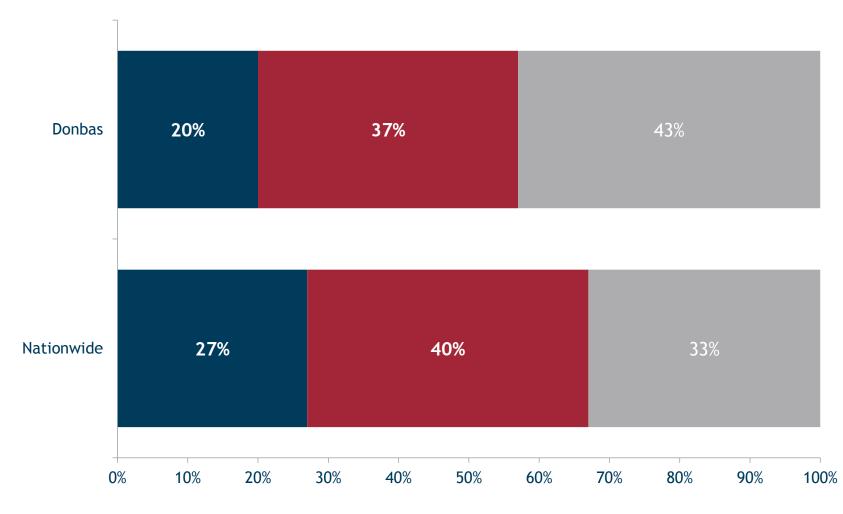
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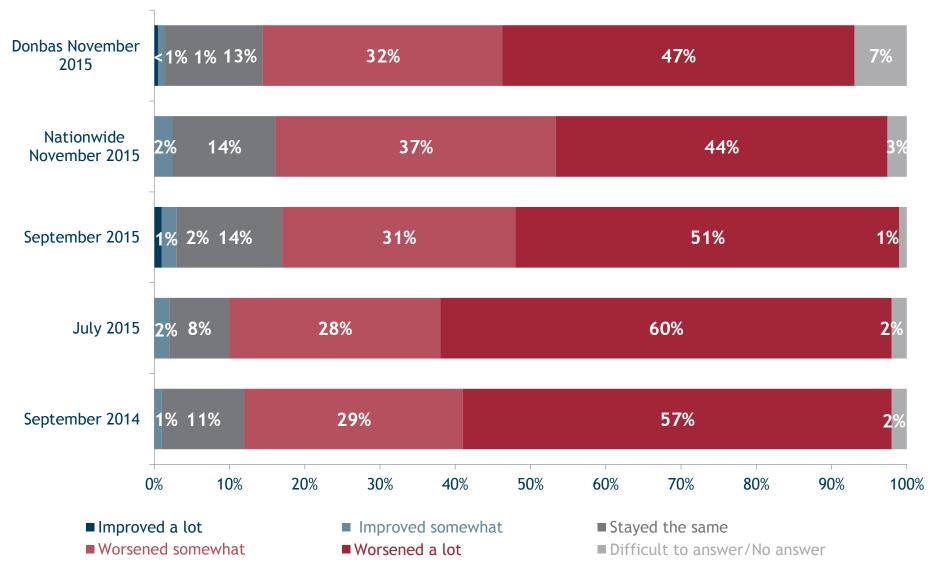
In your opinion, the detention of the leader of the Ukrainian Association of Patriots (UKROP) political party, Hennadiy Korban, is\*:



■ Fight against oligarchs and criminality ■ Political persecution and selective justice ■ Difficult to answer/No answer

\*Korban was arrested by Ukrainian authorities at his home on October 31 before being released and redetained on November 3 on suspicion of involvement in organized crime, embezzlement and kidnapping.

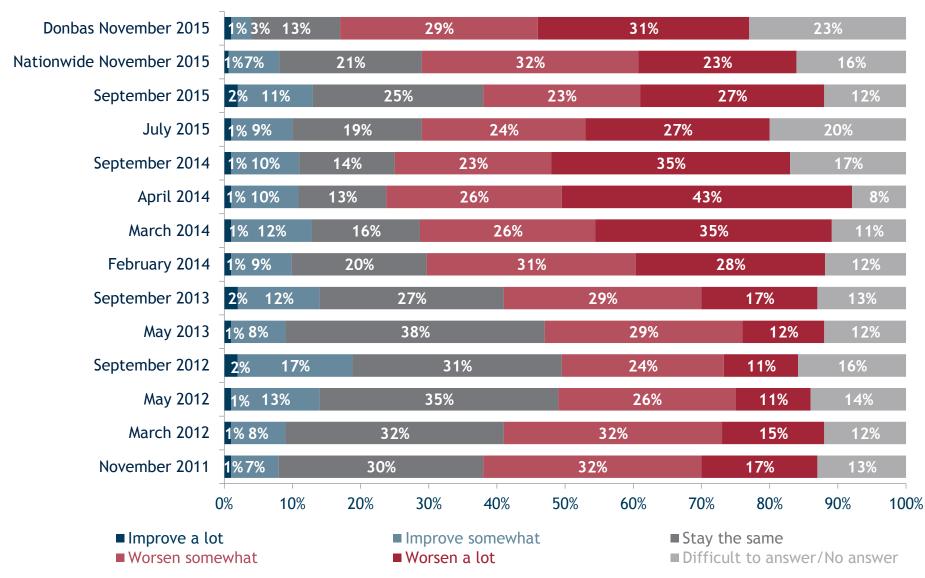
## Over the last 12 months, how has the economic situation in Ukraine changed?



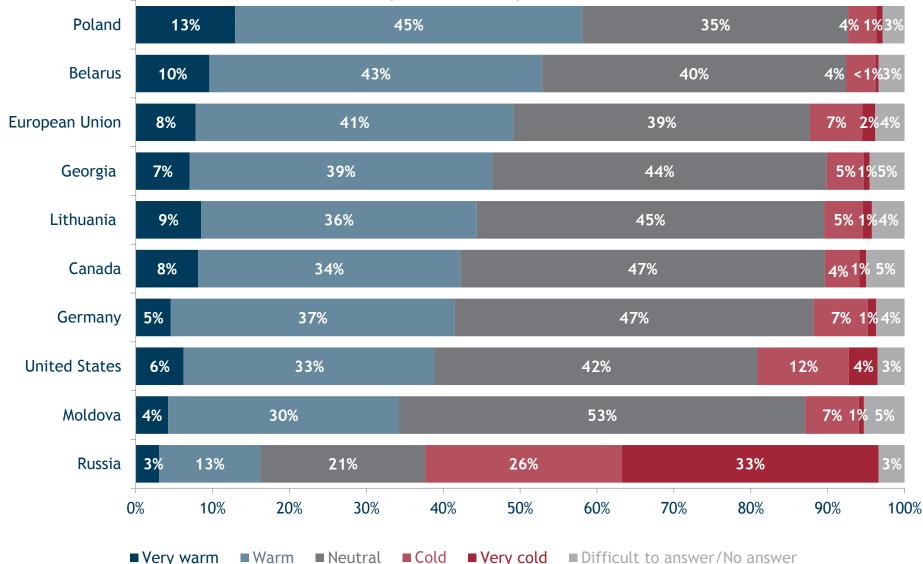
# Over the last 12 months, how has the economic situation of your household changed?

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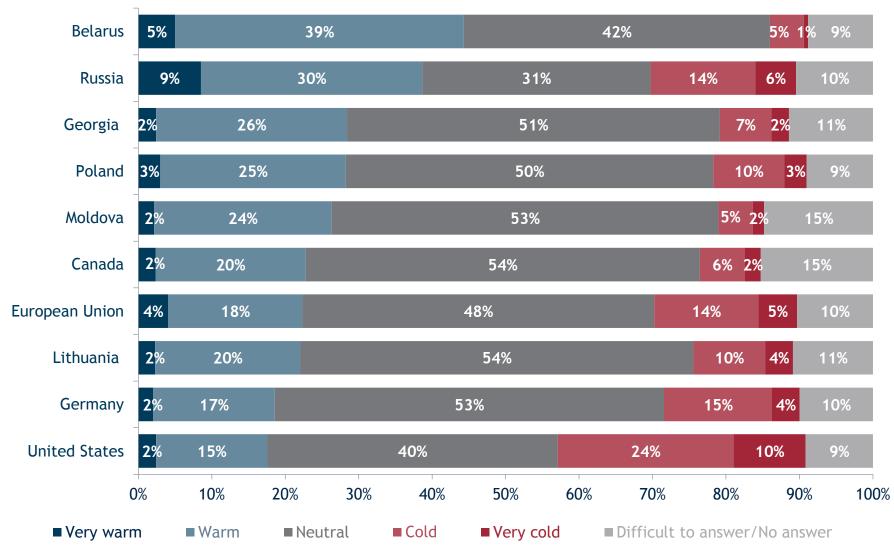
# In the next 12 months, how do you expect the economic situation in Ukraine to change?



#### How do you evaluate your attitude toward each of the following countries? (Nationwide)



### How do you evaluate your attitude toward each of the following countries? (Donbas)

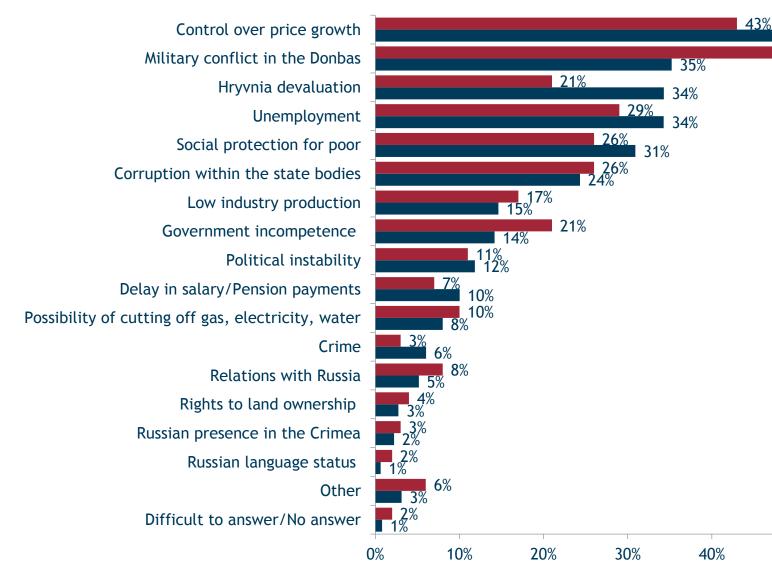


# Which three of the following issues are the most important for Ukraine?



■ Donbas ■ Nationwide

# Which three of the following issues are the most important for you personally?



■ Donbas ■ Nationwide

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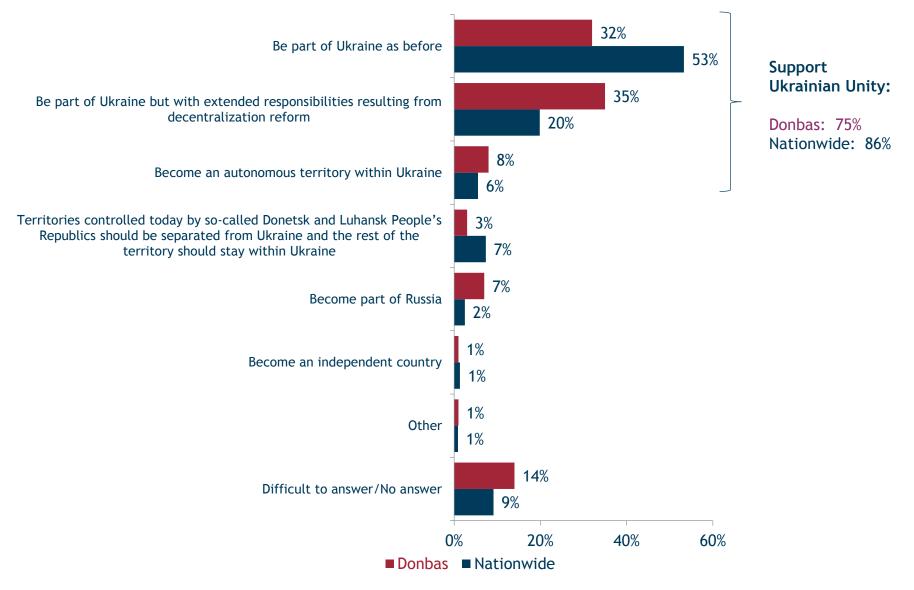
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### People of the Donbas Support Ukrainian Unity

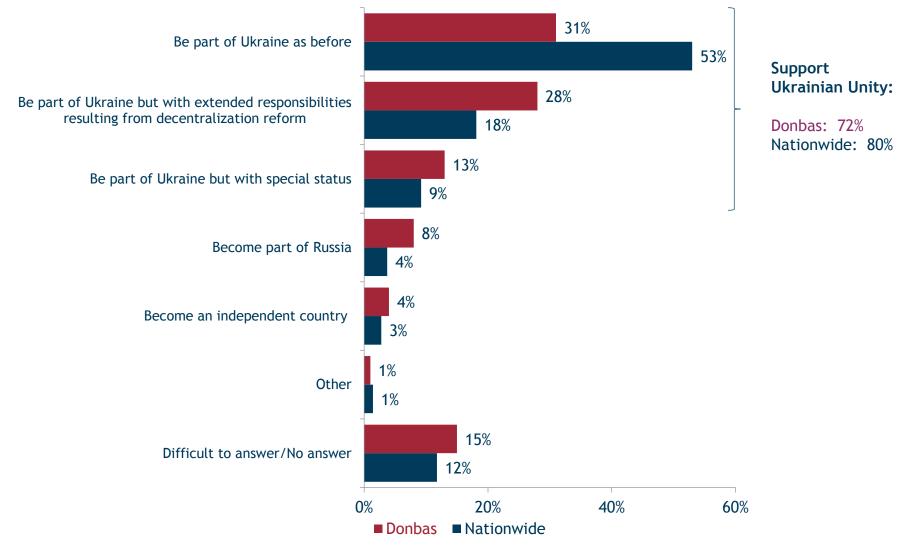
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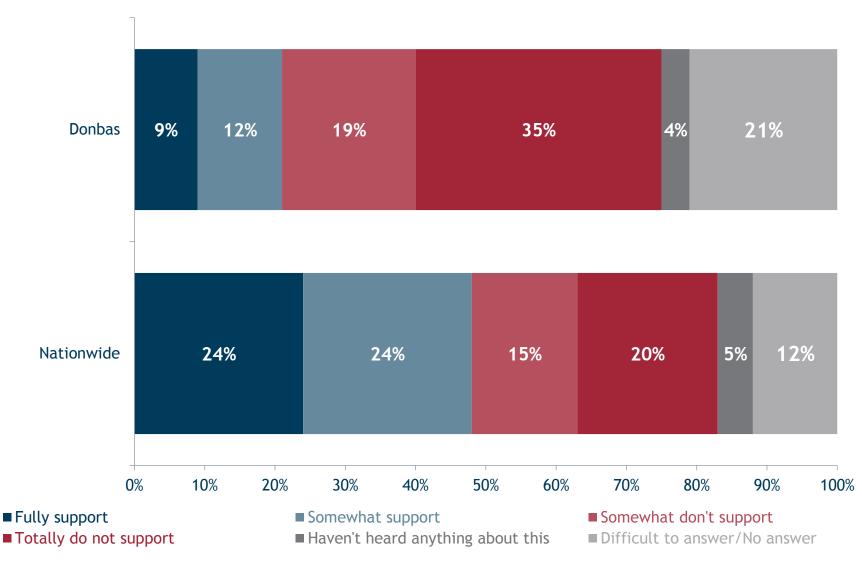
# In your opinion, what status should the Donbas have (the entirety of Donetsk and Luhansk *oblasts*)?



# In your opinion, what status should the Donbas territories under the control of the so-called Donetsk and Luhansk People's Republic have?

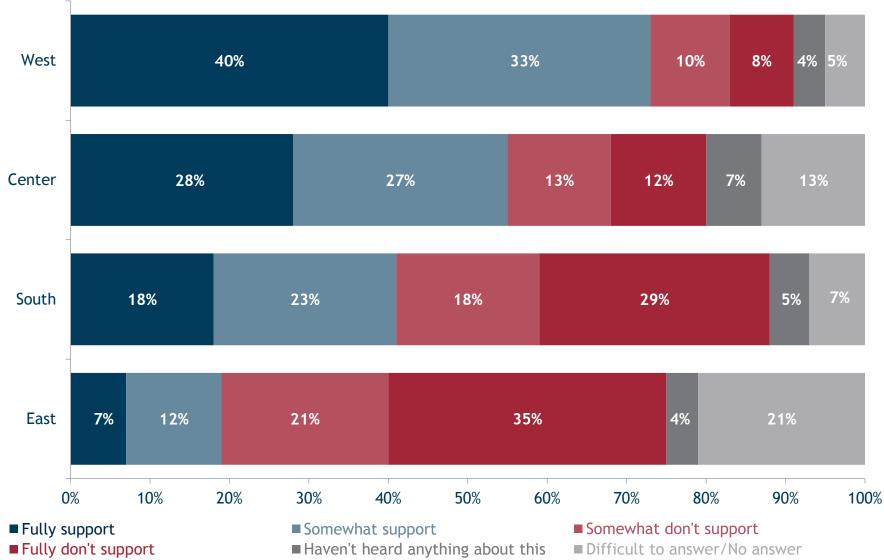


## Do you support the Crimean food blockade currently being organized by some activists\*?

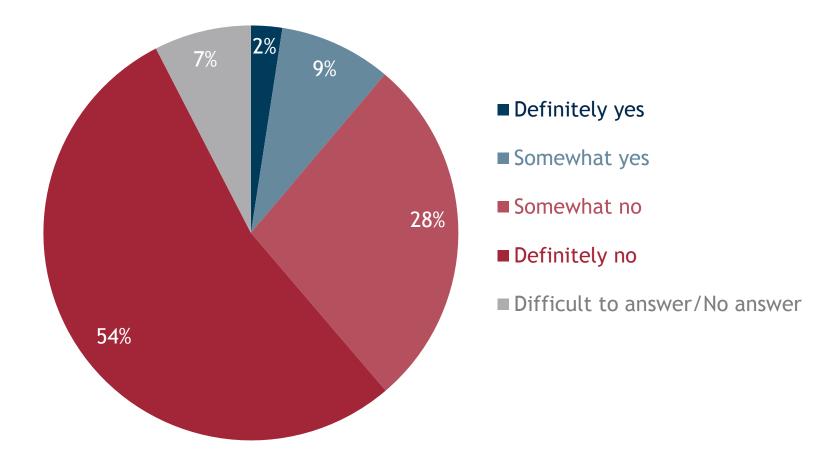


\*Since September 2015, Crimean civic activists have maintained a blockade that prevents the shipment of goods from mainland Ukraine from entering the peninsula.

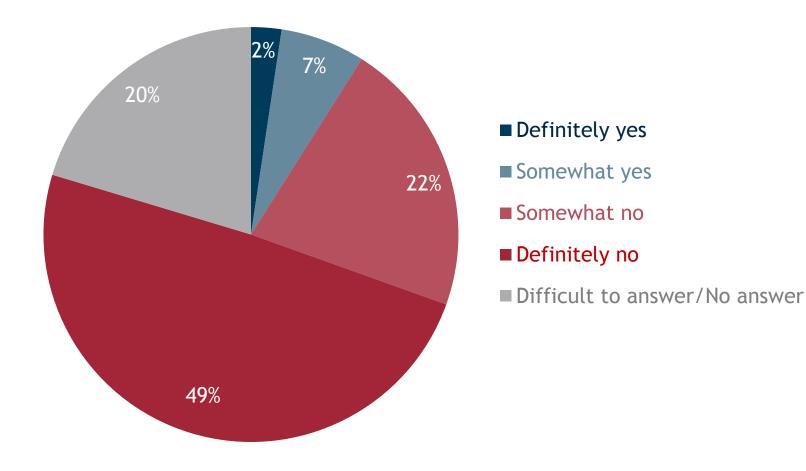
#### Do you support the Crimean food blockade currently being organized by some activists? (Breakdown by region)



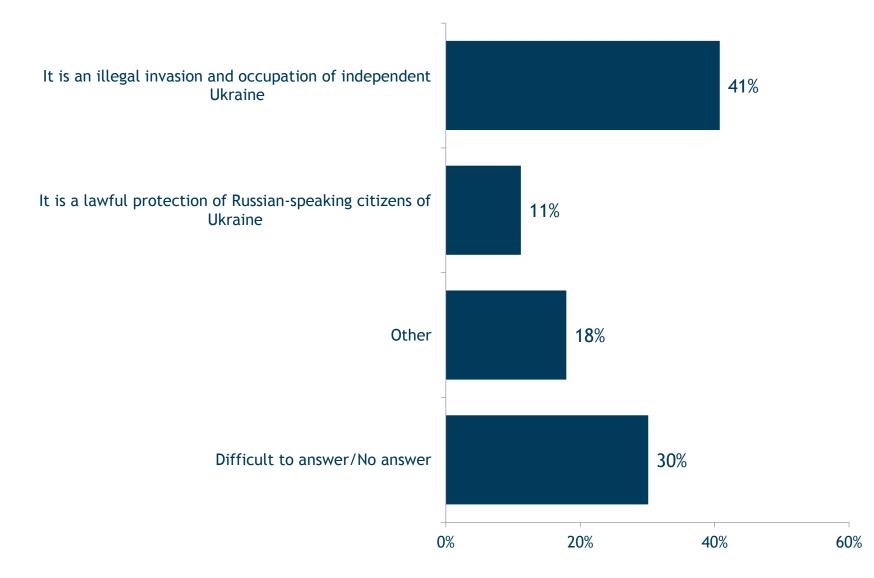
Do you feel that the Russian-speaking citizens of Ukraine are under pressure or threat because of their language? (Question only fielded in Donbas oversample)



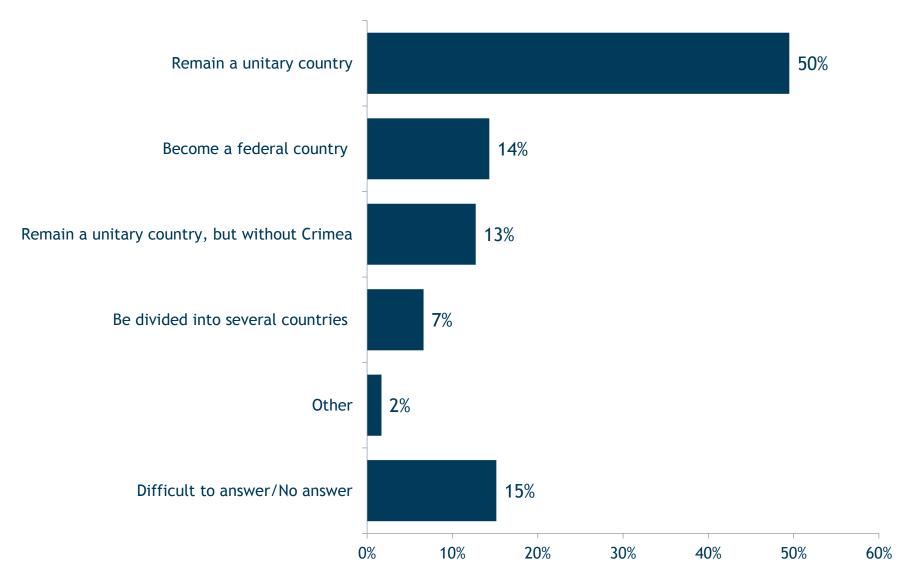
Do you support the decision of the Russian Federation to send its army to protect Russian-speaking citizens of Ukraine? (Question only fielded in Donbas oversample)



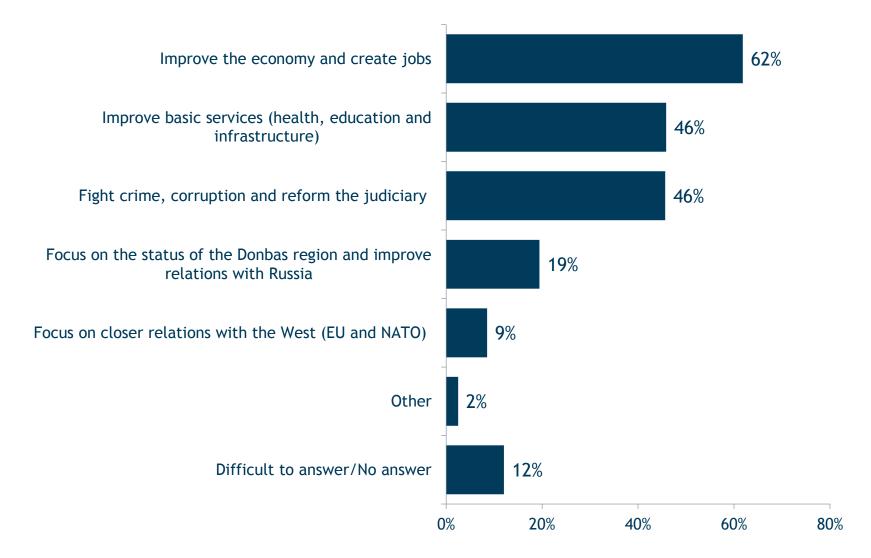
#### How do you evaluate Russia's actions toward Crimea? (Question only fielded in Donbas oversample)



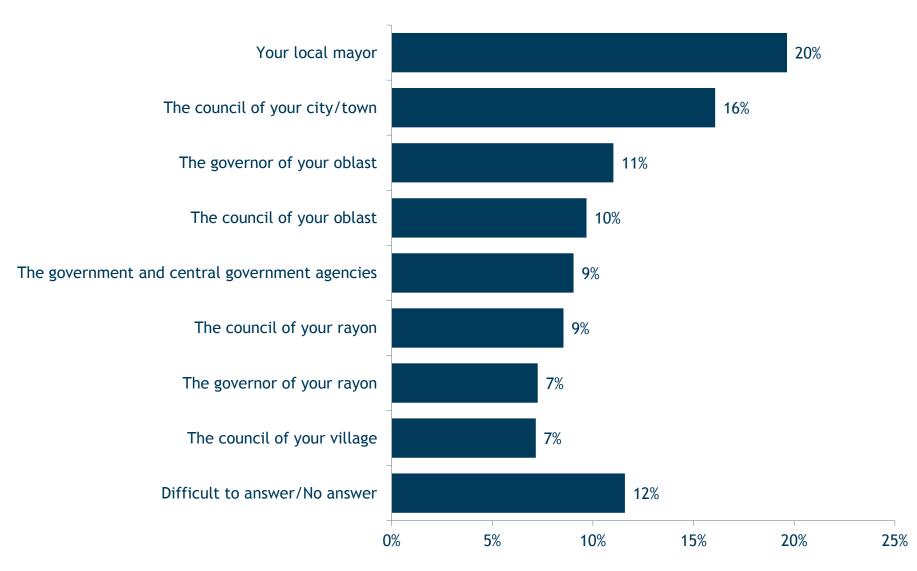
#### In your opinion, which of the following should Ukraine do? (Question only fielded in Donbas oversample)



In your opinion, which areas should be a priority for the Ukrainian authorities in order to keep Donbas part of Ukraine? (Question only fielded in Donbas oversample)



Who do you think should hold the most responsibility for addressing local issues and providing services to your community? (Question only fielded in Donbas oversample)

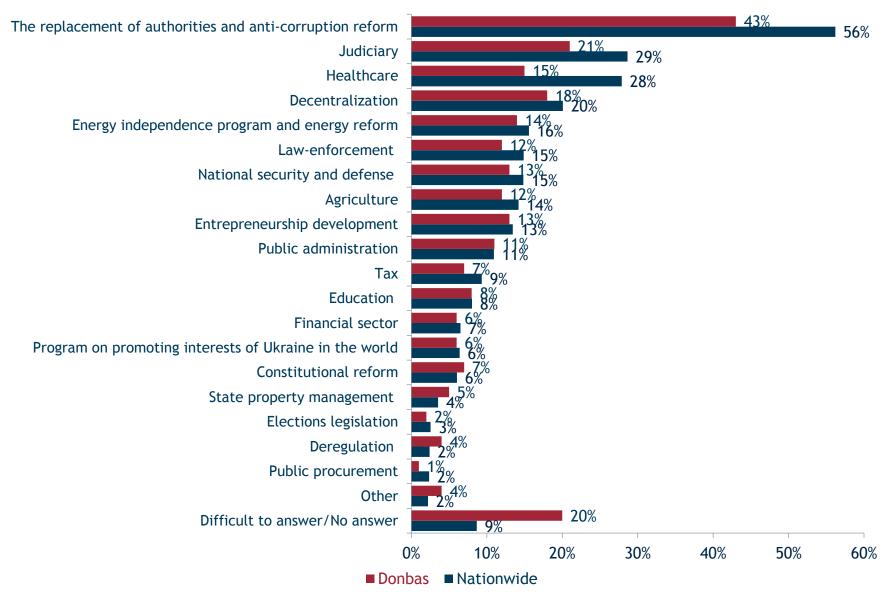


### **Views on Issues**

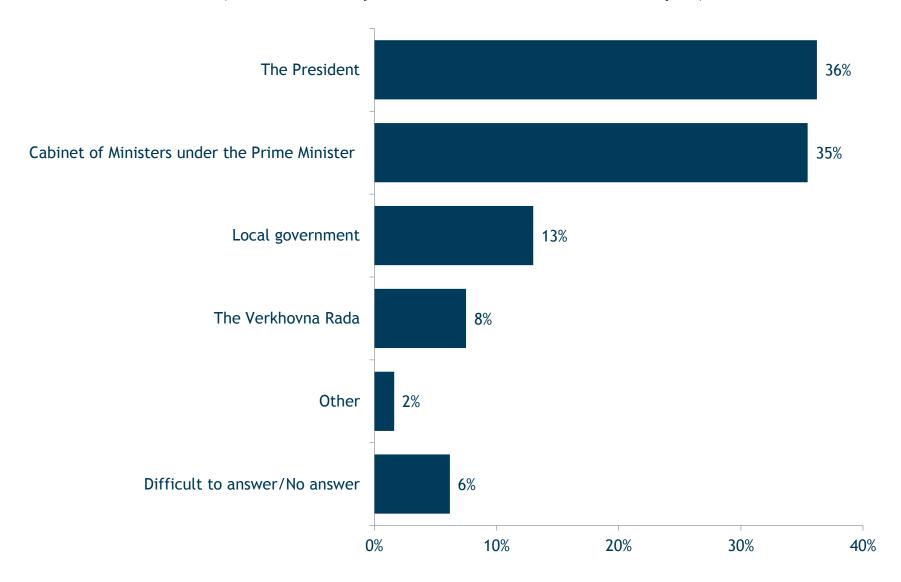
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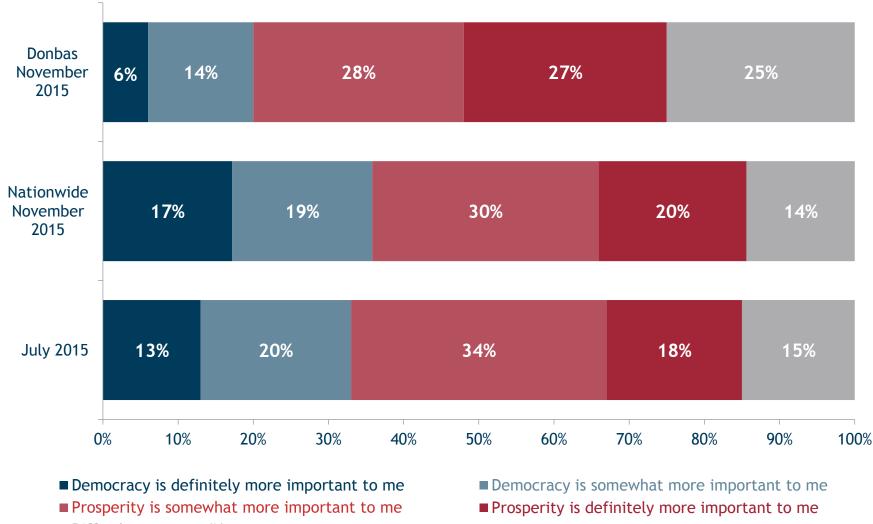
# In your opinion, reforms in which three areas should be the priority for national authorities in Ukraine?



Which institution do you believe is most responsible for improving the standard of living and quality of life for Ukrainians? (Question only fielded in Donbas oversample)

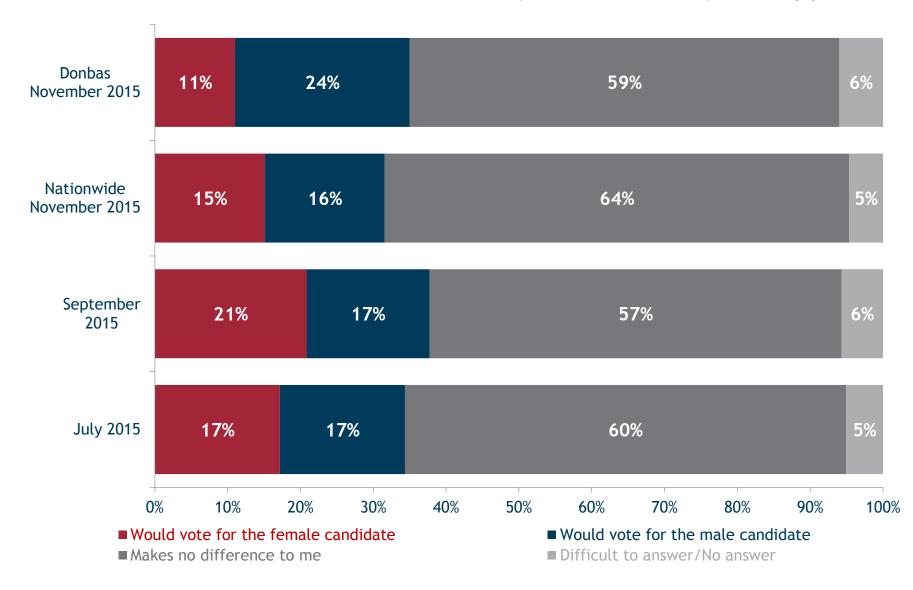


#### If you could have only one or the other, which is more important to you: a democratic system of government or a prosperous economy?

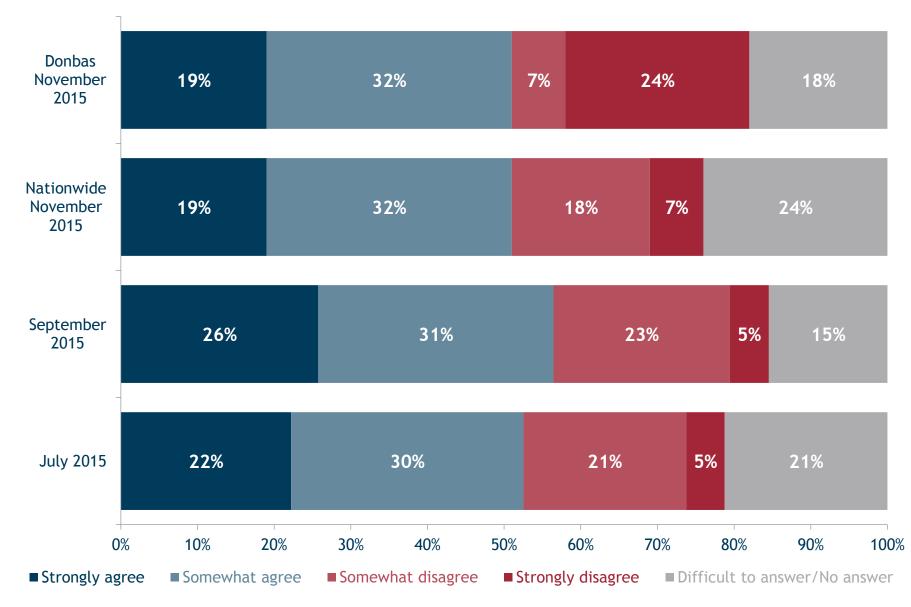


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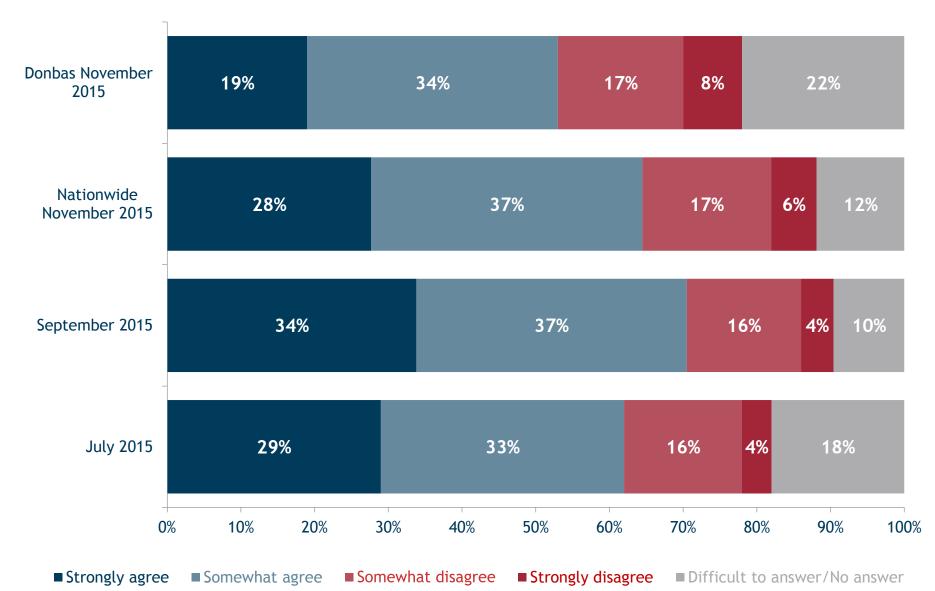
If there are two candidates running for office and they have the same qualifications aside from the fact that one is a man and one is a woman, which candidate are you more likely to support?



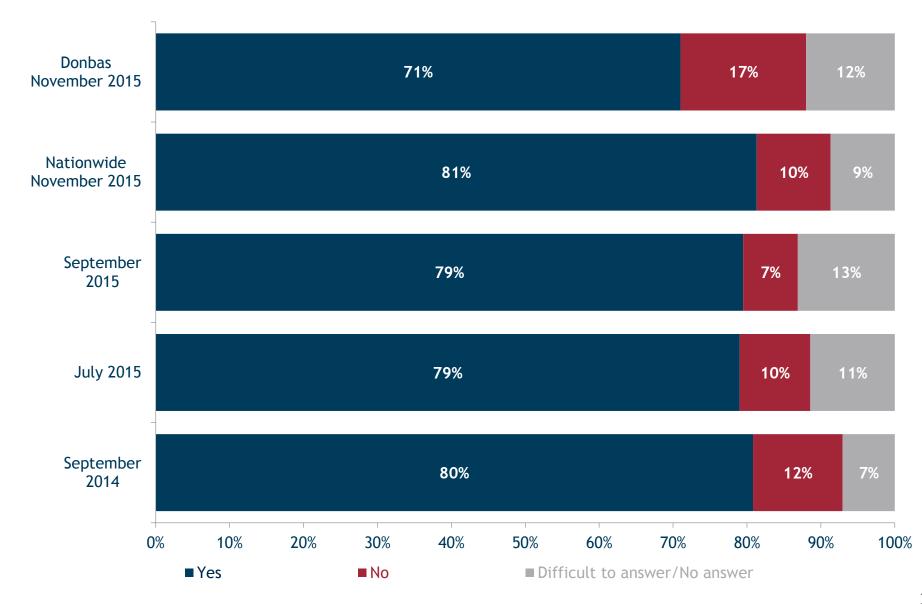
### Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Politicians do not listen to the needs and ideas of women"?



Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Politicians do not listen to the needs and ideas of young people"?



# Should Ukrainian women serve in influential positions in the national government?

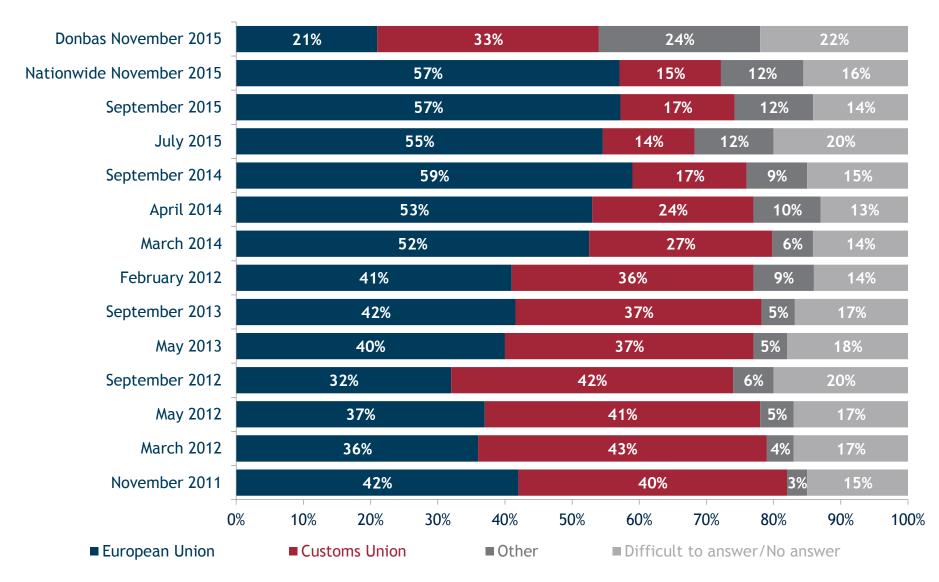


## **Foreign Policy**

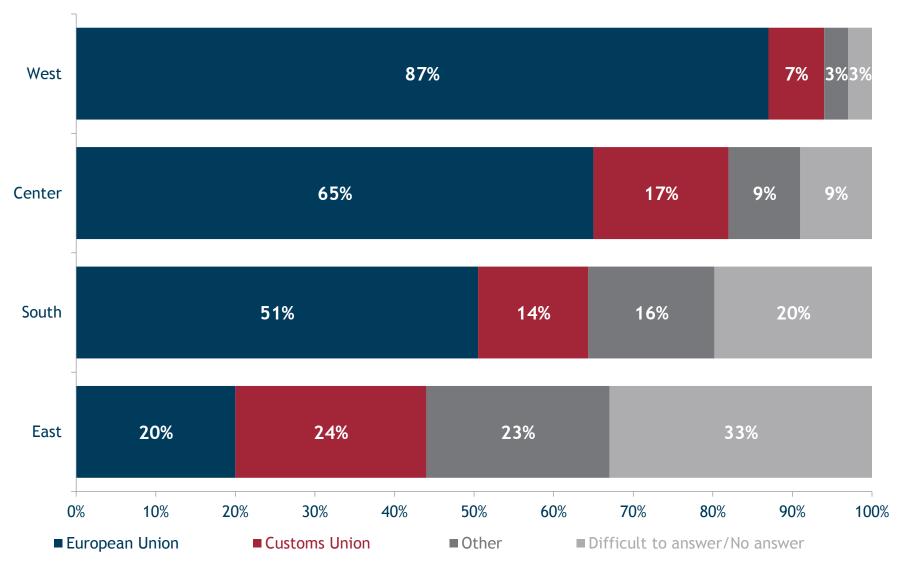
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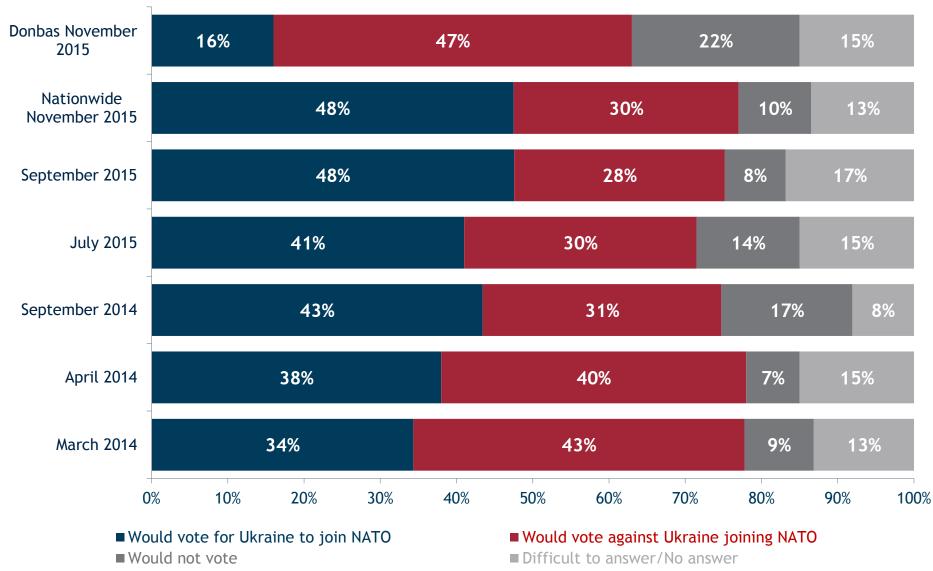
# If Ukraine were able to enter only one international economic union, which one of the following should it be?



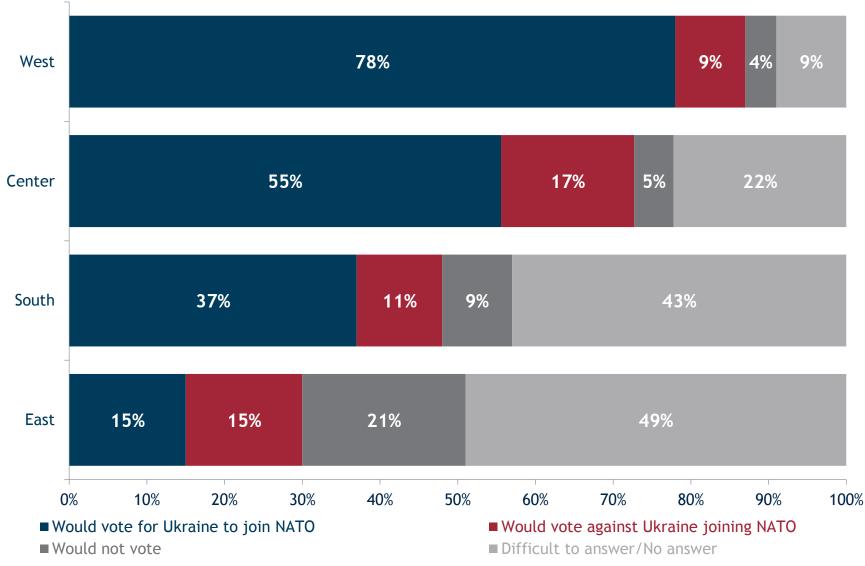
### If Ukraine were able to enter only one international economic union, which one of the following should it be? (Breakdown by region)



# If a referendum was held today on Ukraine joining NATO, how would you vote?



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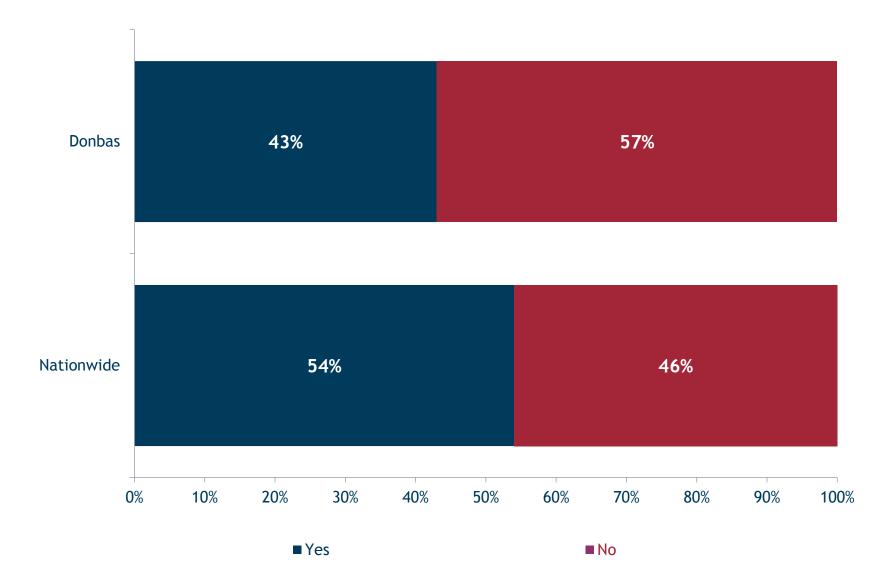


# Assessment of October 25 Local Elections

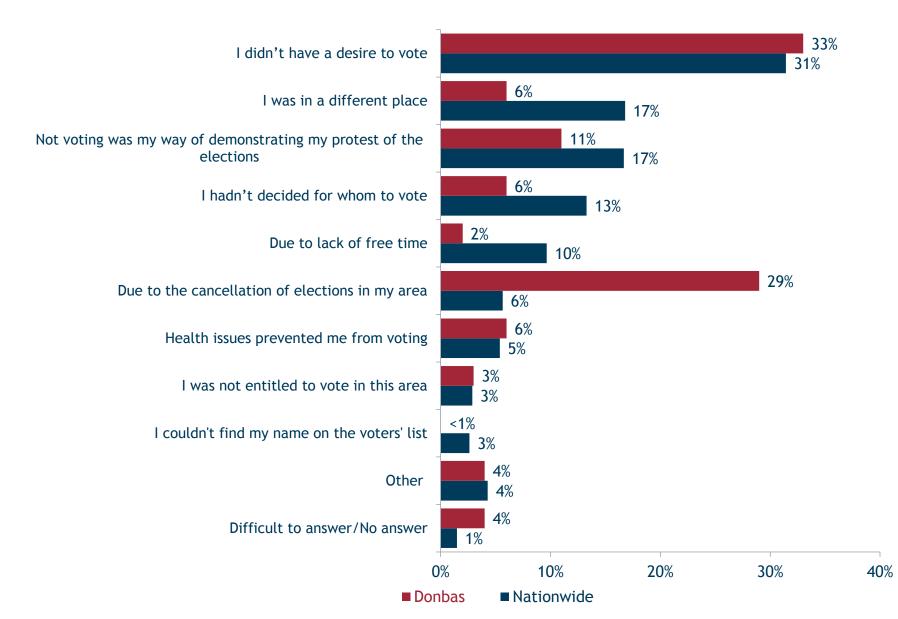
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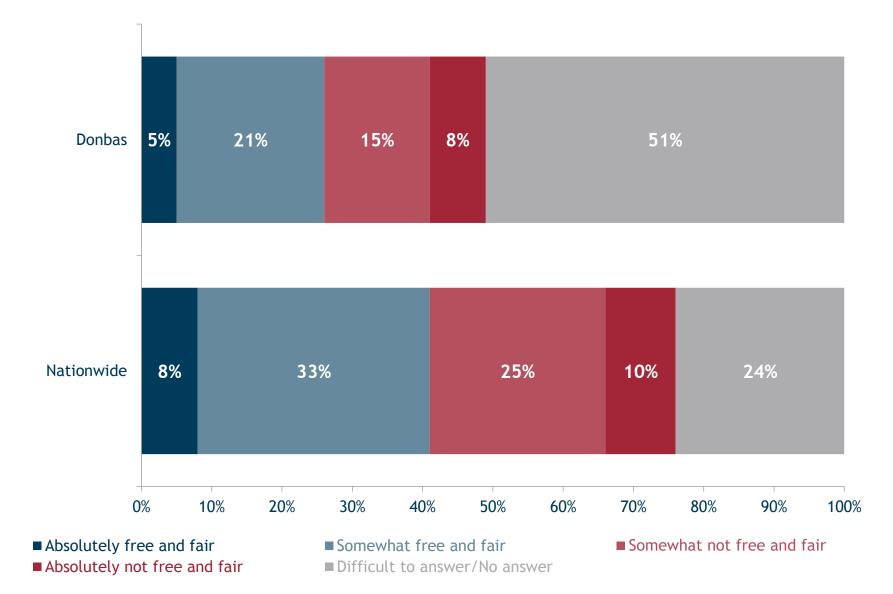
### Did you vote in the October 2015 local elections?



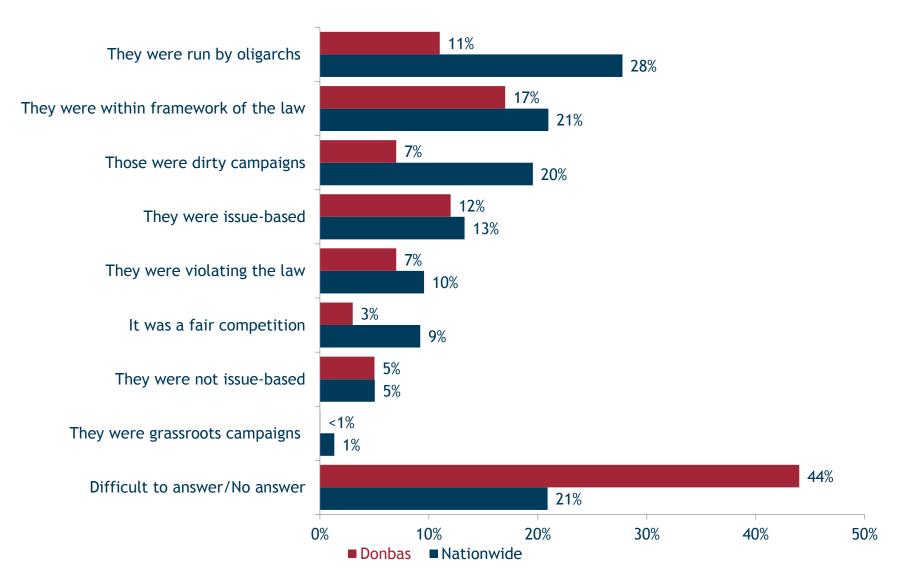
### If not, why didn't you vote in the October local elections? (Nationwide n=827; Donbas n=729)



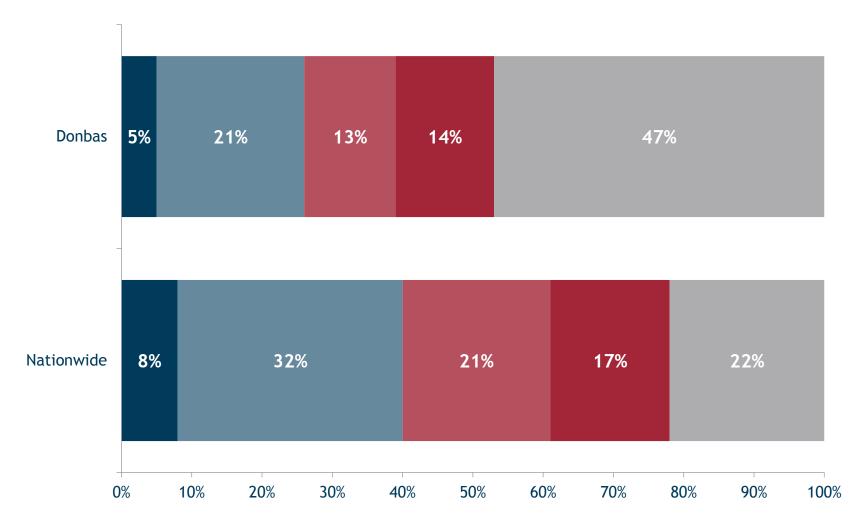
### In your opinion, were the October local elections free and fair?



# Which of the following phrases best describes your opinion of the pre-election campaigns held in your community before the October local elections?

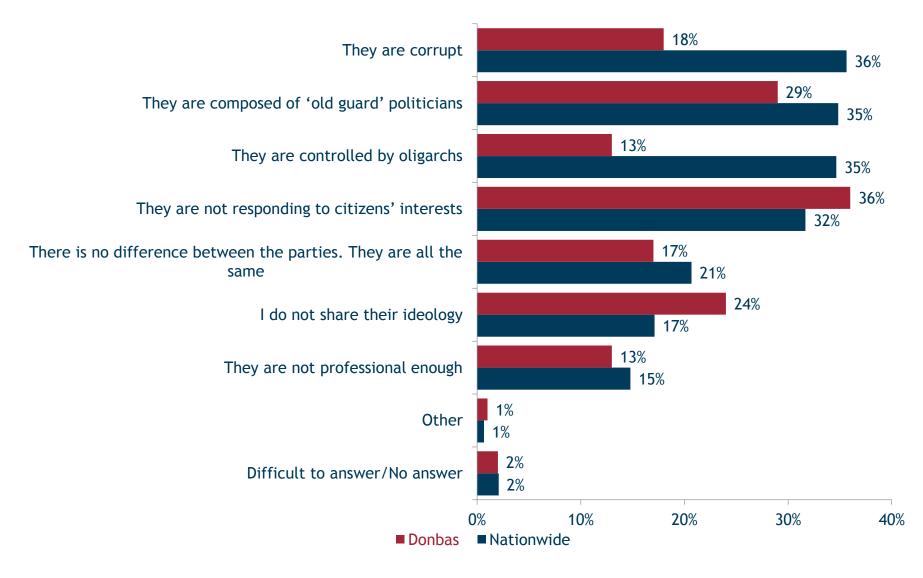


### How satisfied are you with the political parties that were elected to your local councils during the October elections?

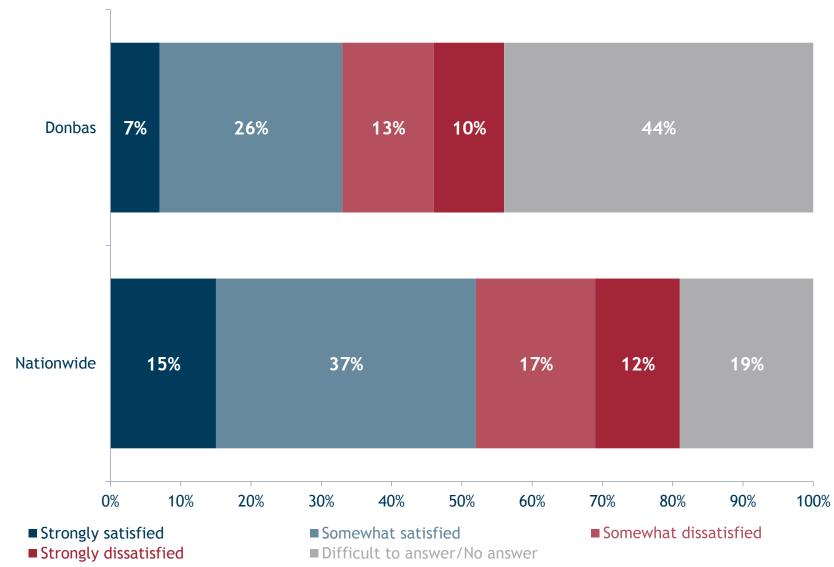


Strongly satisfied Somewhat satisfied Somewhat dissatisfied Strongly dissatisfied Difficult to answer/No answer

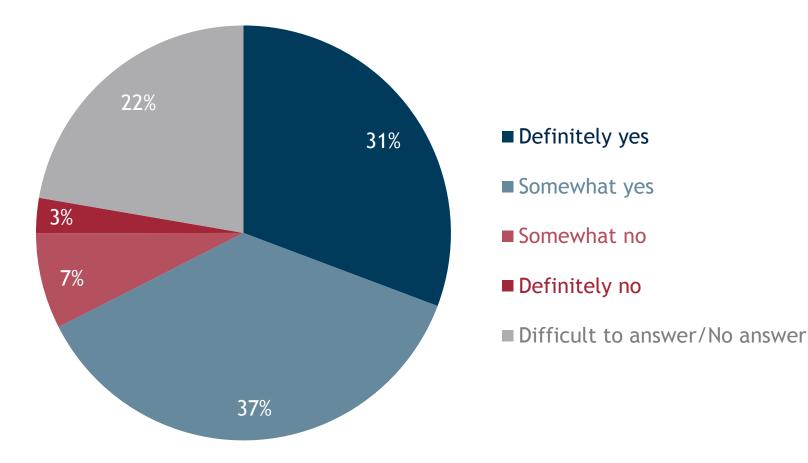
If you are dissatisfied with the political parties that were elected to your local councils during the October elections, what is the reason? (Nationwide n=681; Donbas n=350)



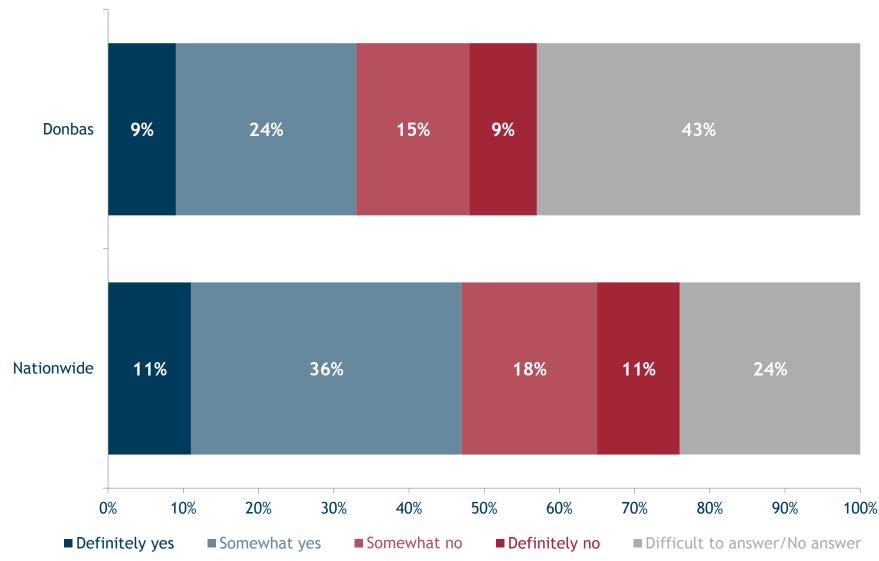
### To what extent are you satisfied with the city or village head who was elected from your community during the October local elections?



In your opinion, should more rights be transferred from central authorities to local authorities and communities? (Question only fielded in Donbas oversample)

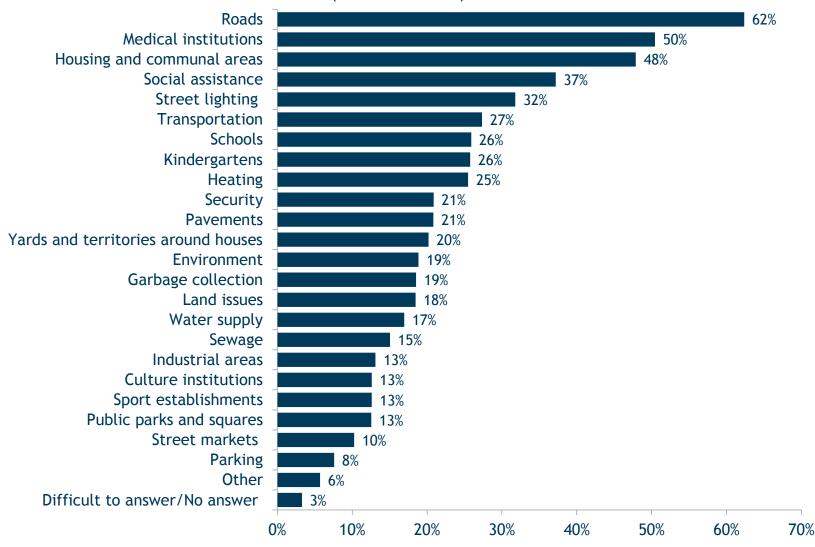


### Do you think your local authorities elected in the October local elections can be entrusted with more responsibilities as a result of decentralization reform?

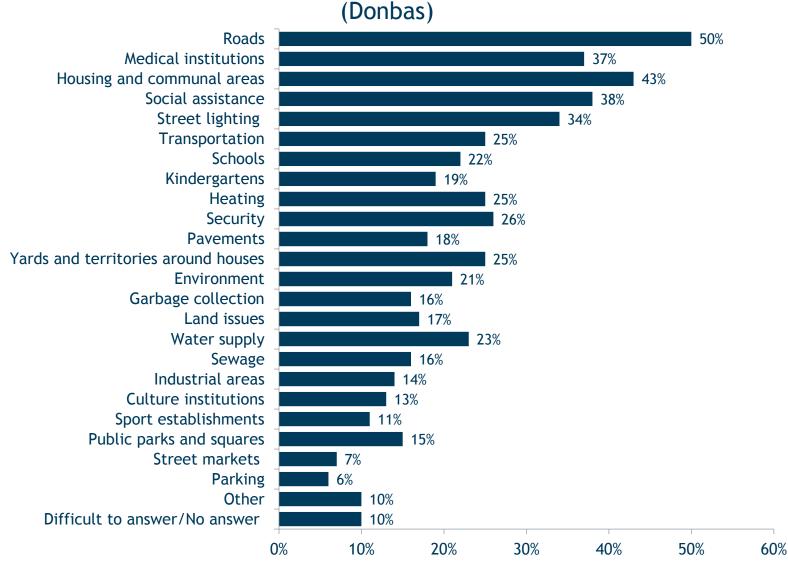


# In your opinion, what areas should be the top priority for your newly-elected local authorities?

(Nationwide)



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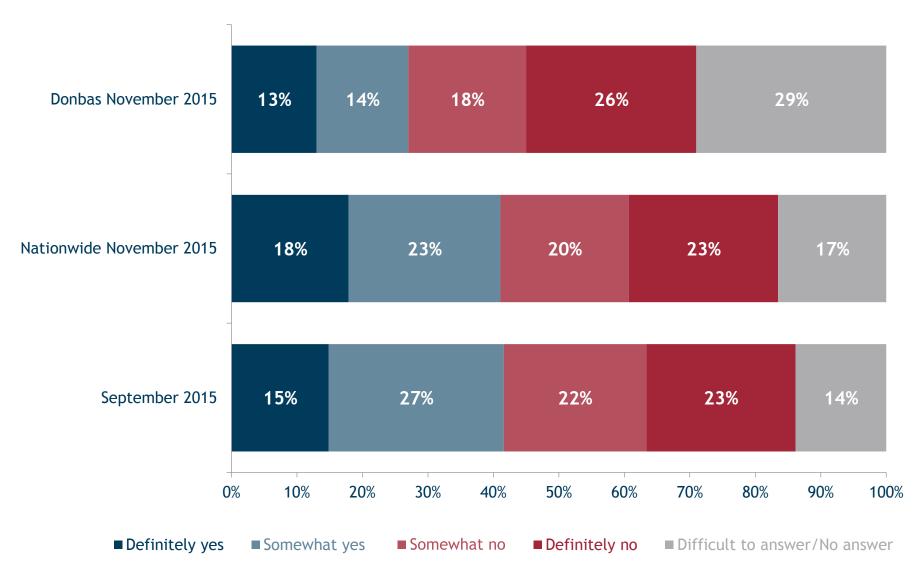
### **Views on Early Elections**

Note: Some political factions are advocating for early elections

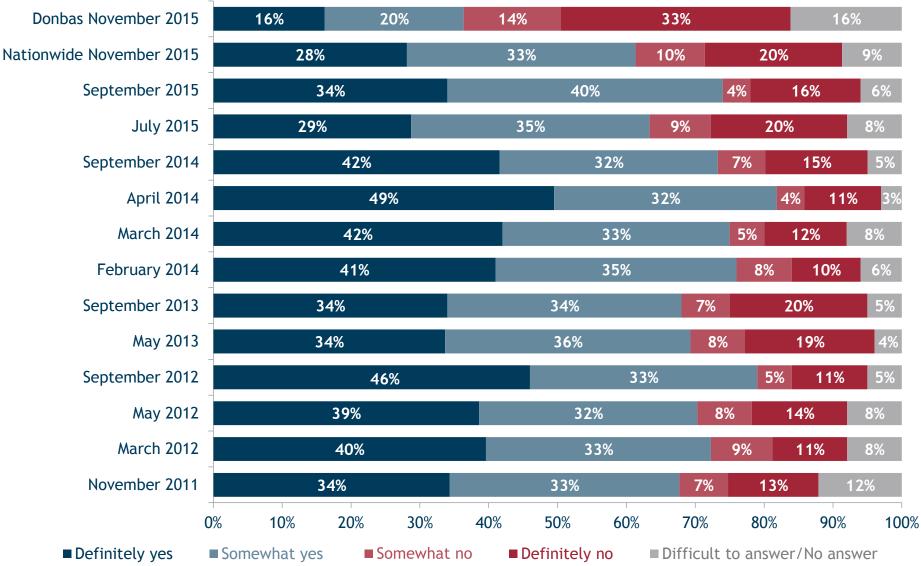
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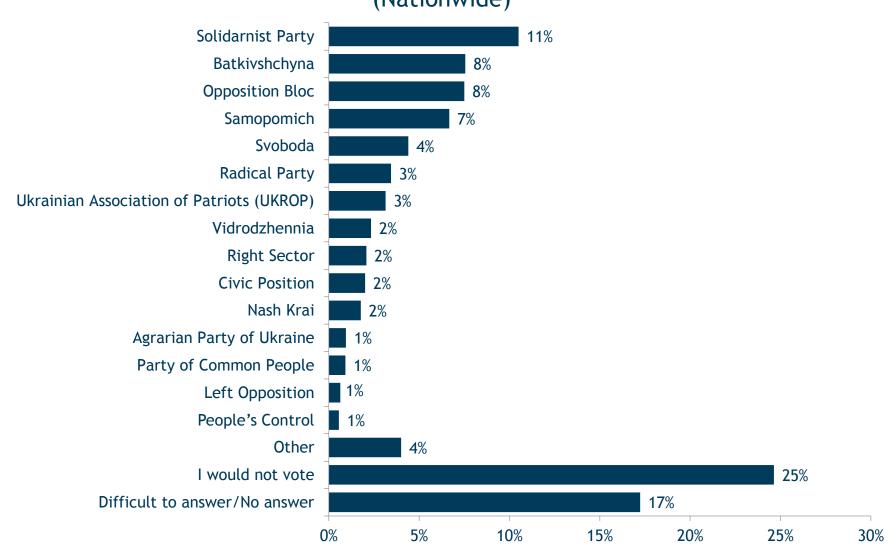
# Do you support holding pre-term parliamentary elections in Ukraine?



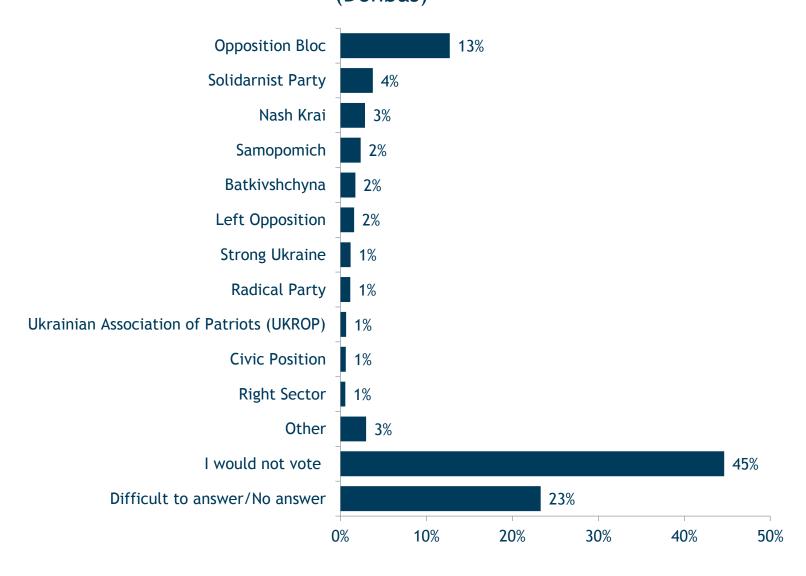
# If pre-term parliamentary elections were held next Sunday, would you vote in such elections?



#### If parliamentary elections were held next Sunday and the following political parties participated in the elections, for which one would you vote? (Nationwide)

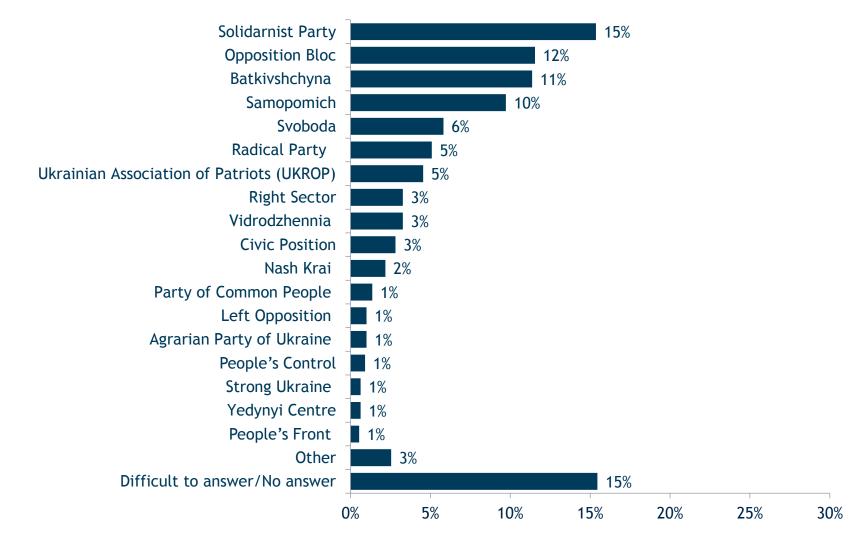


# If parliamentary elections were held next Sunday and the following political parties participated in the elections, for which one would you vote? (Donbas)



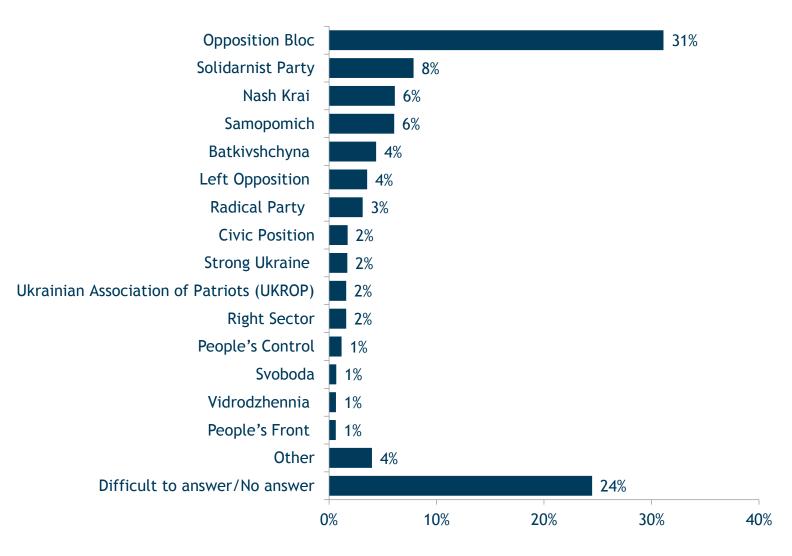
If parliamentary elections were held next Sunday and the following political parties participated in the elections, for which one would you vote?

(Among likely voters, Nationwide n=1,091)



If parliamentary elections were held next Sunday and the following political parties participated in the elections, for which one would you vote?

(Among likely voters, Donbas n=471)

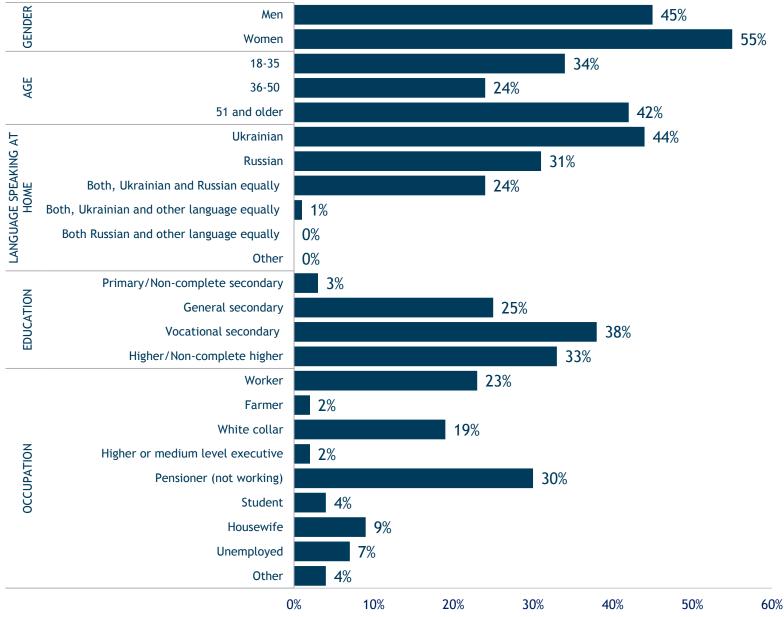


### **Demographics**

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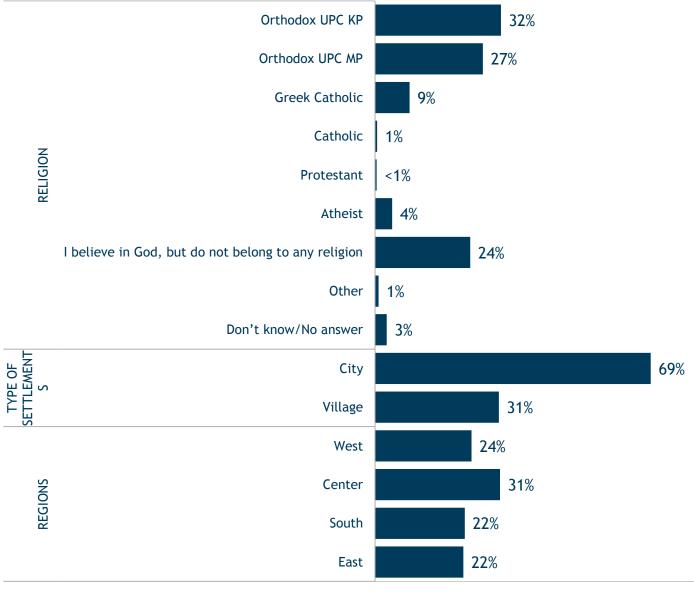


### Demographics Nationwide



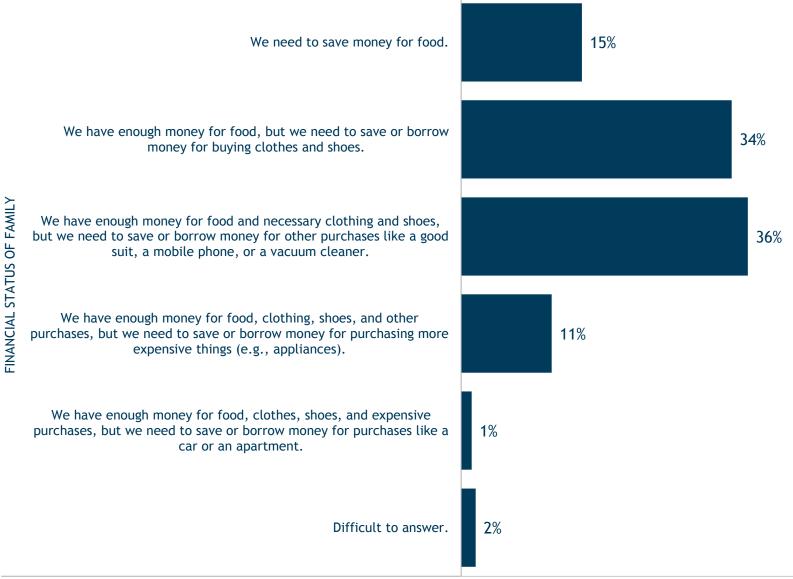
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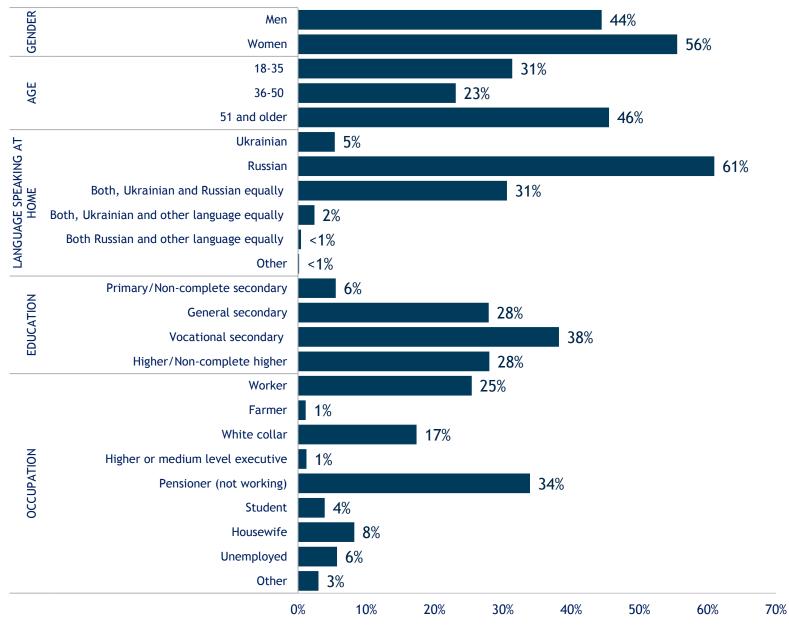
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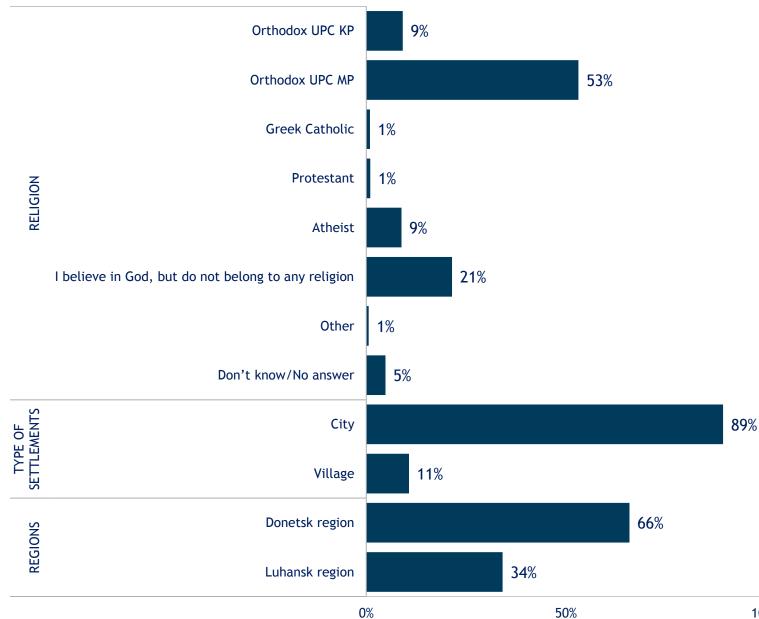
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### Demographics Donbas

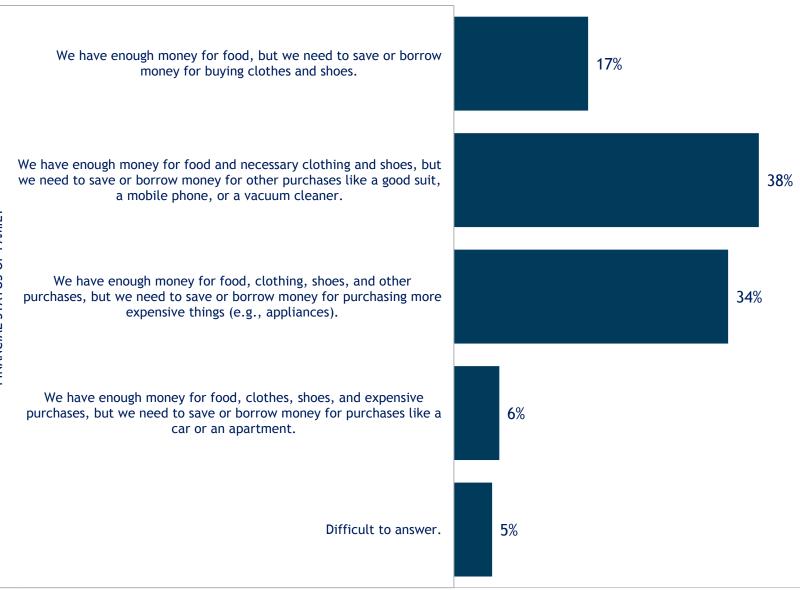


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