The share of Ukrainians who oppose the recognition of the occupied territories of Ukraine as a condition for the end of the war is growing

According to an all-Ukrainian nationally representative survey conducted by Info Sapiens on March 14-15, 2022, 84% of Ukrainians oppose the official recognition of Crimea as part of Russia as a condition for the end of the war (while on March 3-4 it was 75%) and 83% of Ukrainians against the official recognition of the previously occupied areas of Donbas as part of Russia (in the first wave it was 79%). At the same time, the share of those who oppose the ban on Ukraine's accession to NATO decreased from 56% to 51%.

70% are ready to personally resist armed resistance to end the Russian occupation of Ukraine: in particular, 79% of men and 59% of women. This is not significantly different from the previous wave, but the share of those who do not want to take up arms significantly decreased from 28% to 23% mainly due to women (in the first wave of the study, 36% of them did not want to take up arms, and now 29%).

The share of those who consider Ukrainian their native language has also increased from 77% to 81%.

75% of Ukrainians believe that ordinary Russians are guilty of armed aggression, and 17% - that they are not guilty (against 66% and 30% in the first wave, respectively).

As for the personal situation, 13% of Ukrainians went to other settlements within Ukraine (we did not interview those who went abroad, because most of the refugees do not respond due to the high cost of roaming).

The most common reasons why they did not leave: "this is my home, and I do not want to leave it" (57%) and "I want to fight, protect" (22%).

34% of Ukrainians feel unsafe during the day and 48% - at night, which is approximately in line with the indicators of the last wave.
Only 10% of Ukrainians believe that the war will end within a week, while the majority (62%) believe that it will last from several weeks to more than a year. (Graphic 8)

91% are sure that Ukraine will be able to repel Russia’s attack, and only 5% doubt it. (Graphic 9)

Research information
The survey sampled 1,032 respondents. The survey was conducted using cati (computer-assisted telephone interviews) based on a random sample of mobile phone numbers. The sample is representative for the adult population (aged 18 years and older) of Ukraine by gender, age, size of the settlement and region of residence. The Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol were removed from the study, and in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions the survey was conducted only in the territories controlled by Ukraine. Also, the survey does not cover Ukrainians who went abroad.

The maximum theoretical error does not exceed 3.1%. The survey was conducted March 14-15, 2022.