

Survey on attitudes towards the government language policy in Ukraine (February 2021)

The face-to-face survey was conducted by the Ilko Kucheriv Democratic Initiatives Foundation in cooperation with the Centre for Political Sociology on 16-27 February 2021. A total of 2003 respondents were interviewed using a sample representative of the adult population of Ukraine (excluding the occupied territories). The sample is representative in terms of gender, age, type of settlement and region of residence. The maximum random sampling error does not exceed 2.2%.

Survey questionnaire

V1. What integration direction should Ukraine pursue?

1. Joining the European Union
2. Joining the Eurasian Economic Union (with Russia, Belarus and Kazakhstan)
3. Not joining any alliances
4. Hard to tell

V2. Which way of guaranteeing national security would be best for Ukraine?

1. Joining NATO
2. Military union with Russia and other CIS countries
3. Non-bloc status of Ukraine
4. Other
5. Hard to tell

V45. In your opinion, what effects in your region will the implementation of the law on ensuring the functioning of Ukrainian as the state language have?

1. Rather positive
2. Rather negative
3. No significant effects
4. Hard to tell

V46. In your opinion, how pressing is the issue of the use of different languages in Ukraine compared to other problems?

1. This is one of the most pressing problems in Ukraine
2. The language issue is quite important, but there are more pressing problems
3. In general, the language issue is not pressing, except for some individual cases
4. The problem of using different languages is generally far-fetched
5. Hard to tell

V47. Do you or your family members experience negative attitudes from other people because of your native language?

1. Yes, I experience it often
2. Yes, sometimes I do
3. No, this has never happened
4. Hard to tell

V48. Have you or your family members faced threats to your life, health or property because of your native language?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Hard to tell

V49. Do you support making use of the Ukrainian language compulsory in the service sector?

1. Fully support
2. Rather support
3. Rather not support
4. Do not support at all
5. Hard to tell

V50. Would you support the decision of the local authorities in your locality to officially use another language alongside Ukrainian, which some residents of your settlement consider their native language?

1. I would fully support
2. I would rather support it
3. Rather would not support
4. I would not support it at all
5. Hard to tell

In your opinion, are the rights of citizens speaking the following languages violated in Ukraine?

V51. Ukrainian

1. Constantly violated
2. In some cases violated
3. Not violated
4. Hard to tell

V52. Russian

1. Constantly violated
2. In some cases violated
3. Not violated
4. It is difficult to say

V53. Languages of national minorities (Hungarian, Romanian, Bulgarian, etc.)

1. Constantly violated
2. In some cases violated
3. Not violated
4. It is difficult to say

V54. If the parliamentary elections were held next Sunday, which political party would you vote for?

1. "Batkivshchyna" (Yulia Tymoshenko)
2. "Voice" (K. Rudyk, S. Prytula)
3. "Civic Position" (A. Hrytsenko)
4. "European Solidarity" (P.Poroshenko)
5. "For the Future" (I.Palytsia)
6. "Opposition bloc" (O.Vilkul)
7. "Opposition Platform - For Life" (Y.Boyko, V.Medvedchuk, V.Rabinovych)
8. "ProPosition" party (B.Filatov)
9. "Party of Shariy"
10. Radical Party of Oleh Lyashko
11. "Svoboda" (O. Tyahnybok)
12. "Strength and Honour" (I.Smeshko)
13. "Servant of the People" (O. Korniyenko)
14. UDAR (V. Klitschko)
15. "Groysman's Ukrainian strategy"
16. Other party
17. Would not participate in the elections
18. Hard to say/refusal

V57. Gender

1. Male
2. Female

V58. Age (in years)

V59. Education level

1. unfinished secondary
2. secondary
3. specialised secondary
4. higher and unfinished higher

V60. Type of settlement in which you permanently reside

1. Kyiv City
2. Regional centre
3. City of regional significance
4. City - district centre or other city
5. Urban-type settlement (settlement territorial community)
6. Village (rural territorial community)

V62. What is the overall financial situation of your family?

1. We can barely make ends meet, we don't even have enough money to buy the basic necessities
2. We have enough money for food and to buy necessary inexpensive items
3. In general, it is enough to live on, but buying durable goods, such as furniture, refrigerator, TV, is already causing difficulties
4. We live well, but we are not yet able to make some purchases (buy an apartment, car, etc.)
5. We can afford to buy almost everything we want
6. Hard to tell

V63. What language do you mostly speak at home?

1. Ukrainian
2. Russian
3. Other
4. Hard to tell

V64. What language do you consider your native language?

1. Ukrainian
2. Russian
3. Other
4. Hard to tell

V65. Region

1. Vinnytsia
2. Volyn
3. Dnipropetrovsk
4. Donetsk
5. Zhytomyr
6. Zakarpattia
7. Zaporizhzhia
8. Ivano-Frankivsk
9. Kyiv Region
10. Kyiv City
11. Kirovohrad
12. Luhansk
13. Lviv
14. Mykolaiv
15. Odesa
16. Poltava
17. Rivne
18. Sumy
19. Ternopil
20. Kharkiv
21. Kherson
22. Khmelnytskyi

23. Cherkasy
24. Chernihiv
25. Chernivtsi

V67. 3 age groups

1. Up to 29 years old
2. 30-54 years old
3. 55 and older

V68. Macro-regions

1. West (Volyn, Zakarpattia, Ivano-Frankivsk, Lviv, Rivne, Ternopil, Chernivtsi Regions)
2. Centre (Vinnytsia, Zhytomyr, Kyiv, Kirovohrad, Poltava, Sumy, Khmelnytsky, Cherkasy, Chernihiv regions)
3. South (Zaporizhzhia, Mykolaiv, Kherson, Odesa Regions)
4. East (Dnipropetrovsk, Kharkiv Regions)
5. Donbas (government-controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk regions)