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Reuters/Ipsos Poll: Russia/Ukraine Crisis

Topline Findings

Washington, DC, March 4, 2022 - A new Reuters/Ipsos poll, fielded after President Biden’s State of the Union address finds Americans’ resolve supporting Ukraine strengthening while their feelings on President Joe Biden’s handling of the situation remain stable. The proportion of Americans who disagree that the problems of Ukraine are none of our business has increased five points from just earlier this week (71% vs. 66% as reported in a separate [Reuters/Ipsos poll](#)) and is nineteen points higher than a [poll](#) conducted almost two weeks ago. The number of Americans who believe it is worth paying more for fuel and gas because of sanctions against Russia to defend another democratic country has increased to 62% from 49% two weeks ago. Seventy-four percent of Americans agree that the United States must support democratic countries when non-democratic countries attack them, and 80% believe the United States should not buy oil or gas from Russia during this conflict. Nearly four in five (77%) Americans also support seizing the assets of Russian oligarchs affiliated with Russian President Vladimir Putin, and 69% still believe Putin is most to blame for the current situation between Russia and Ukraine, up from 50% two weeks ago.

Americans remain hesitant to have the U.S. send troops to Ukraine (39%) or to have them use air strikes to support the Ukrainian army (40%). However, 72% are willing to provide weapons to Ukraine. Three-quarters of Americans (74%) also believe the United States should take in Ukrainian refugees from the current conflict.

Finally, after a [marked improvement](#) earlier this week, approval of the way President Biden has been handling Russia (38%) and Ukraine (45%) remains stable.

For complete results, please refer to the following annotated questionnaire:

Full Annotated Questionnaire

2a. TM1128Y17. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling the following issues? - The U.S. economy

Wave:	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Lean towards approve	Lean towards disapprove	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Don't know	Total Approve	Total Disapprove
Mar 3-4, 2022	11%	15%	11%	13%	10%	32%	8%	37%	55%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	13%	15%	13%	14%	10%	31%	5%	40%	55%
Feb 23-24, 2022	9%	13%	14%	12%	10%	35%	8%	36%	56%



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2b. TM1128Y17. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling the following issues? - U.S. foreign policy

Wave:	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Lean towards approve	Lean towards disapprove	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Don't know	Total Approve	Total Disapprove
Mar 3-4, 2022	12%	16%	14%	11%	9%	26%	13%	42%	45%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	12%	13%	14%	13%	11%	28%	9%	39%	51%
Feb 23-24, 2022	8%	13%	13%	11%	10%	31%	13%	35%	52%

2d. TM1128Y17. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling the following issues? – Russia

Wave:	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Lean towards approve	Lean towards disapprove	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Don't know	Total Approve	Total Disapprove
Mar 3-4, 2022	15%	12%	11%	9%	10%	31%	12%	38%	50%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	15%	13%	13%	10%	10%	31%	9%	40%	51%
Feb 23-24, 2022	9%	10%	14%	11%	11%	32%	15%	32%	53%

2e. TM1128Y17. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling the following issues? – Fuel and gas prices

Wave:	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Lean towards approve	Lean towards disapprove	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Don't know	Total Approve	Total Disapprove
Mar 3-4, 2022	8%	12%	12%	11%	9%	40%	8%	31%	61%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	8%	11%	13%	14%	11%	36%	7%	31%	62%
Feb 23-24, 2022	6%	10%	11%	9%	12%	41%	11%	27%	62%

2f. TM1128Y17. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling the following issues? – Ukraine

Wave:	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Lean towards approve	Lean towards disapprove	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Don't know	Total Approve	Total Disapprove
Mar 3-4, 2022	17%	16%	12%	8%	9%	25%	13%	45%	42%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	16%	13%	14%	12%	10%	26%	10%	43%	47%
Feb 23-24, 2022	10%	11%	14%	10%	10%	29%	17%	34%	49%

4a. TM268Y14. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?... The problems of Ukraine are none of our business, and we should not interfere

Wave:	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Total Agree	Total Disagree
Mar 3-4, 2022	9%	20%	40%	31%	29%	71%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	9%	25%	39%	27%	34%	66%
Feb 23-24, 2022	13%	35%	37%	15%	48%	52%





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4b. TM268Y14. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?... Given the current economic climate, the United States cannot afford to be taking military action in Ukraine

Wave:	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Total Agree	Total Disagree
Mar 3-4, 2022	17%	40%	31%	11%	57%	43%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	17%	40%	33%	11%	56%	44%
Feb 23-24, 2022	19%	47%	27%	7%	66%	34%

4d. TM268Y14. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?... Taking military action in Ukraine will encourage attacks on the United States and the West

Wave:	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Total Agree	Total Disagree
Mar 3-4, 2022	18%	52%	22%	7%	71%	29%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	19%	49%	26%	7%	67%	33%
Feb 23-24, 2022	16%	48%	28%	7%	65%	35%

4e. TM268Y14. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?... Paying more for fuel and gas because of sanctions against Russia is worthwhile to defend another democratic country

Wave:	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Total Agree	Total Disagree
Mar 3-4, 2022	22%	40%	25%	14%	62%	38%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	17%	41%	28%	14%	58%	42%
Feb 23-24, 2022	10%	39%	31%	21%	49%	51%

4f. TM268Y14. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?... The United States must support democratic countries when they are attacked by non-democratic countries

Wave:	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Total Agree	Total Disagree
Mar 3-4, 2022	28%	47%	19%	6%	74%	26%

4g. TM268Y14. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?... American political leaders should put providing a united front to support Ukraine ahead of attacking domestic political rivals

Wave:	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Total Agree	Total Disagree
Mar 3-4, 2022	33%	46%	16%	5%	79%	21%



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4h. TM268Y14. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?... The United States should not buy oil or gas from Russia during this conflict, even if it causes American gas prices to increase

Wave:	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Total Agree	Total Disagree
Mar 3-4, 2022	41%	39%	14%	6%	80%	20%

4i. TM268Y14. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?... The United States should take in Ukrainian refugees from the current conflict

Wave:	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Total Agree	Total Disagree
Mar 3-4, 2022	29%	46%	18%	8%	74%	26%

5a. TM396Y14. In your opinion, should the U.S. do any of the following in response to the current situation in Ukraine?... The United States should continue its diplomatic efforts with Russia

Wave:	Yes	No
Mar 3-4, 2022	63%	37%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	63%	37%
Feb 23-24, 2022	72%	28%

5b. TM396Y14. In your opinion, should the U.S. do any of the following in response to the current situation in Ukraine?... The United States should put additional economic sanctions in place against Russia

Wave:	Yes	No
Mar 3-4, 2022	81%	19%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	77%	23%
Feb 23-24, 2022	69%	31%

5c. TM396Y14. In your opinion, should the U.S. do any of the following in response to the current situation in Ukraine?... The United States should use air strikes to support the Ukrainian army

Wave:	Yes	No
Mar 3-4, 2022	40%	60%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	37%	63%
Feb 23-24, 2022	34%	66%



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5d. TM396Y14. In your opinion, should the U.S. do any of the following in response to the current situation in Ukraine?... The United States should send troops to Ukraine to help defend Ukraine from a Russian invasion

Wave:	Yes	No
Mar 3-4, 2022	39%	61%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	37%	63%
Feb 23-24, 2022	38%	62%

5e. TM396Y14. In your opinion, should the U.S. do any of the following in response to the current situation in Ukraine?... The United States should provide weapons to the Ukraine

Wave:	Yes	No
Mar 3-4, 2022	72%	28%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	71%	29%

5f. TM396Y14. In your opinion, should the U.S. do any of the following in response to the current situation in Ukraine?... The United States and NATO should impose a 'no fly zone' above Ukraine

Wave:	Yes	No
Mar 3-4, 2022	74%	26%

5g. TM396Y14. In your opinion, should the U.S. do any of the following in response to the current situation in Ukraine?... The United States should seize the assets of Russian oligarchs affiliated with Putin

Wave:	Yes	No
Mar 3-4, 2022	77%	23%

6. TM3014Y22. Considering everything you know about the issue, who is primarily to blame for the current situation between Russia and Ukraine?

Wave:	Russian President Vladimir Putin	Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy	President Joe Biden	NATO (The North Atlantic Treaty Organization) allies	Someone else	Not sure
Mar 3-4, 2022	69%	3%	10%	3%	1%	13%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	68%	2%	10%	4%	1%	15%
Feb 23-24, 2022	50%	2%	16%	5%	2%	24%



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About the Study

These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between March 3-4, 2022, on behalf of Thomson Reuters. For this survey, a sample of 831 adults age 18+ from the continental U.S., Alaska, and Hawaii was interviewed online in English. The sample includes 370 Democrats, 306 Republicans, and 89 Independents.

The sample was randomly drawn from [Ipsos' online panel](#), partner online panel sources, and ["river" sampling](#) and does not rely on a population frame in the traditional sense. Ipsos uses fixed sample targets, unique to each study, in drawing a sample. After a sample has been obtained from the Ipsos panel, Ipsos calibrates respondent characteristics to be representative of the U.S. Population using standard procedures such as raking-ratio adjustments. The source of these population targets is U.S. Census 2019 American Community Survey data. The sample drawn for this study reflects fixed sample targets on demographics. Posthoc weights were made to the population characteristics on gender, age, race/ethnicity, region, and education.

Statistical margins of error are not applicable to online non-probability polls. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including but not limited to coverage error and measurement error. Where figures do not sum to 100, this is due to the effects of rounding. The precision of Ipsos online polls is measured using a credibility interval. In this case, the poll has a credibility interval of plus or minus 4.2 percentage points for all respondents. Ipsos calculates a design effect (DEFF) for each study based on the variation of the weights, following the formula of Kish (1965). This study had a credibility interval adjusted for design effect of the following (n=831, DEFF=1.5, adjusted Confidence Interval=+/-5.7 percentage points).

The poll also has a credibility interval of plus or minus 6.2 percentage points for Democrats, plus or minus 6.9 percentage points for Republicans, and plus or minus 12.7 percentage points for independents. The results of this poll are trended against two previous Reuters/Ipsos surveys:

1. Conducted February 23-24, 2022, among a sample of 1,004 adults age 18+ with a credibility interval of plus or minus 3.8 percentage points for all respondents.
2. Conducted February 28-March 1, 2022, among a sample of 1,005 adults age 18+ with a credibility interval of plus or minus 3.8 percentage points for all respondents.

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