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Reuters/Ipsos Poll: Russia/Ukraine Crisis W7

Topline Findings

Washington, DC, October 6, 2022 – The latest wave of our Reuters/Ipsos poll tracking the Russia/Ukraine crisis finds nearly two-thirds of Americans are closely following the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Impressions of how President Joe Biden is handling the conflict are largely unchanged from earlier this year. Thirty-eight percent of Americans approve of how Biden is handling Russia (compared to 37% at the end of April), and 46% approve of how he is handling Ukraine (same as in April).

Two-thirds of Americans (65%) are concerned the war may escalate if Ukraine is provided longer-range weapons that could hit undisputed Russian territory, and 58% are afraid we’re headed toward nuclear war with Russia.

However, fewer Americans say they are worrying a great deal or a fair amount about the Ukrainian people than earlier this year (64% vs 69% in late April). Despite this, most Americans (66%) continue to support the U.S. providing weapons to Ukraine, although this is down seven points from late April (73%).

Also, compared to late April, Americans are less likely to support a candidate who advocates for continuing to provide Ukraine with military aid (69% vs 76% in late April) or one who supports Ukrainian refugees (72% vs 78%). Ultimately though, 73% of Americans say the United States should continue to support Ukraine despite Russia threatening to use nuclear weapons.

These are the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between October 4-5, 2022. For this survey, a sample of 1,005 adults age 18+ from the continental U.S., Alaska, and Hawaii was interviewed online in English. The poll has a credibility interval of plus or minus 3.8 percentage points for all respondents.

The results of this poll are trended against previous Reuters/Ipsos surveys conducted April 25-26, March 28-29, March 7-8, March 3-4, February 28-March 1, and February 23-24, 2022. For those surveys, a sample of ~1,000 adults age 18+ from the continental U.S., Alaska, and Hawaii was interviewed online in English. The polls have a credibility interval of plus or minus 3.8 percentage points for all respondents.

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

Full Annotated Questionnaire

1a. How closely, if at all, have you been following these stories? - The Russian invasion of Ukraine

	Very closely	Somewhat closely	Not so closely	Not closely at all	Don't Know	Total Closely	Total Not Closely
Oct 4-5, 2022	22%	40%	24%	12%	2%	62%	36%



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1b. How closely, if at all, have you been following these stories? - Inflation and increasing prices

	Very closely	Somewhat closely	Not so closely	Not closely at all	Don't Know	Total Closely	Total Not Closely
Oct 4-5, 2022	39%	40%	13%	6%	2%	79%	19%

1c. How closely, if at all, have you been following these stories? Climate change and severe weather

	Very closely	Somewhat closely	Not so closely	Not closely at all	Don't Know	Total Closely	Total Not Closely
Oct 4-5, 2022	22%	42%	22%	13%	2%	63%	35%

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
Oct 4-5, 2022	10%	15%	13%	12%	11%	33%	7%	38%	55%
Apr 25-26, 2022	9%	15%	13%	11%	10%	33%	9%	37%	55%
Mar 28-29, 2022	10%	17%	12%	13%	8%	31%	9%	39%	53%
Mar 7-8, 2022	9%	15%	16%	11%	8%	33%	8%	40%	52%
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%

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
Oct 4-5, 2022	12%	14%	15%	12%	11%	23%	12%	41%	45%
Apr 25-26, 2022	11%	15%	14%	9%	10%	27%	13%	40%	47%
Mar 28-29, 2022	13%	14%	13%	12%	9%	26%	13%	40%	47%
Mar 7-8, 2022	11%	15%	14%	11%	8%	27%	13%	40%	47%
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
Oct 4-5, 2022	13%	12%	14%	13%	11%	25%	13%	38%	49%
Apr 25-26, 2022	13%	13%	11%	10%	10%	31%	13%	37%	50%
Mar 28-29, 2022	15%	11%	12%	10%	10%	29%	12%	38%	50%
Mar 7-8, 2022	12%	15%	14%	9%	8%	31%	12%	40%	48%
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%



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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
Oct 4-5, 2022	10%	13%	13%	13%	10%	35%	6%	36%	58%
Apr 25-26, 2022	7%	11%	14%	12%	10%	38%	9%	32%	60%
Mar 28-29, 2022	8%	10%	11%	14%	10%	39%	7%	30%	63%
Mar 7-8, 2022	7%	10%	12%	12%	9%	41%	9%	29%	62%
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
Oct 4-5, 2022	15%	14%	17%	11%	10%	21%	12%	46%	42%
Apr 25-26, 2022	15%	14%	17%	9%	9%	24%	12%	46%	42%
Mar 28-29, 2022	18%	14%	15%	8%	9%	23%	13%	47%	40%
Mar 7-8, 2022	13%	17%	16%	9%	9%	25%	13%	45%	42%
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%

3a. In your opinion, which political party has a better plan, policy or approach to each of the following? – U.S. foreign policy

Wave:	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Independents	Other	None	Don't know
Oct 4-5, 2022	27%	29%	9%	2%	12%	21%

3b. In your opinion, which political party has a better plan, policy or approach to each of the following? – Russia

Wave:	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Independents	Other	None	Don't know
Oct 4-5, 2022	25%	27%	9%	2%	13%	24%

3c. In your opinion, which political party has a better plan, policy or approach to each of the following? – Ukraine

Wave:	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Independents	Other	None	Don't know
Oct 4-5, 2022	28%	25%	9%	3%	12%	24%

3d. In your opinion, which political party has a better plan, policy or approach to each of the following? – Vladimir Putin

Wave:	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Independents	Other	None	Don't know
Oct 4-5, 2022	24%	27%	9%	2%	15%	22%





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4a. How much have you heard, if anything, about the following...? - Russia annexing four Ukrainian provinces, declaring them Russian territory

Wave:	A lot	Some	Very little	Nothing at all
Oct 4-5, 2022	22%	40%	23%	15%

4b. How much have you heard, if anything, about the following...? - Russia stating it is prepared to use tactical nuclear weapons in the war against Ukraine

Wave:	A lot	Some	Very little	Nothing at all
Oct 4-5, 2022	23%	41%	21%	15%

4c. How much have you heard, if anything, about the following...? - The U.S. warning Russia of “catastrophic consequences” if Russia uses nuclear weapons

Wave:	A lot	Some	Very little	Nothing at all
Oct 4-5, 2022	24%	39%	22%	15%

4d. How much have you heard, if anything, about the following...? - Ukraine regaining control of its territory in eastern Ukraine

Wave:	A lot	Some	Very little	Nothing at all
Oct 4-5, 2022	21%	40%	24%	15%

5a. TM268Y14_a. 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
Oct 4-5, 2022	11%	24%	42%	23%	35%	65%
Apr 25-26, 2022	9%	22%	40%	29%	31%	69%
Mar 28-29, 2022	14%	20%	39%	27%	33%	67%
Mar 7-8, 2022	10%	25%	35%	30%	35%	65%
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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5b. TM268Y14_b. 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
Oct 4-5, 2022	13%	40%	32%	15%	53%	47%
Apr 25-26, 2022	19%	41%	24%	15%	60%	40%
Mar 28-29, 2022	21%	40%	22%	17%	61%	39%
Mar 7-8, 2022	19%	44%	21%	16%	63%	37%
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%

5c. TM268Y14_c. 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
Oct 4-5, 2022	20%	50%	22%	8%	70%	30%
Apr 25-26, 2022	21%	52%	20%	7%	73%	27%
Mar 28-29, 2022	25%	47%	22%	7%	71%	29%
Mar 7-8, 2022	25%	48%	20%	7%	73%	27%
Mar 3-4, 2022	28%	47%	19%	6%	74%	26%

5d. TM268Y14_d. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?... I am concerned that the war may escalate if Ukraine is provided longer-range weapons that could hit undisputed Russian territory

Wave:	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Total Agree	Total Disagree
Oct 4-5, 2022	14%	51%	28%	7%	65%	35%

5e. TM268Y14_e. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?... I am afraid we are headed toward nuclear war with Russia

Wave:	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Total Agree	Total Disagree
Oct 4-5, 2022	14%	44%	35%	7%	58%	42%

6a. TM396Y14_a. 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
Oct 4-5, 2022	63%	37%
Apr 25-26, 2022	60%	40%
Mar 28-29, 2022	60%	40%
Mar 7-8, 2022	62%	38%
Mar 3-4, 2022	63%	37%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	63%	37%
Feb 23-24, 2022	72%	28%



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6b. TM396Y14_b. 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 it from a Russian invasion

Wave:	Yes	No
Oct 4-5, 2022	34%	66%
Apr 25-26, 2022	39%	61%
Mar 28-29, 2022	33%	67%
Mar 7-8, 2022	35%	65%
Mar 3-4, 2022	39%	61%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	37%	63%
Feb 23-24, 2022	38%	62%

6c. TM396Y14_c. 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
Oct 4-5, 2022	66%	34%
Apr 25-26, 2022	73%	27%
Mar 28-29, 2022	68%	32%
Mar 7-8, 2022	70%	30%
Mar 3-4, 2022	72%	28%
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2022	71%	29%

6d. TM396Y14_d. 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 financial aid to Ukraine, in addition to sending weapons

Wave:	Yes	No
Oct 4-5, 2022	59%	41%

6e. TM396Y14_e. In your opinion, should the U.S. do any of the following in response to the current situation in Ukraine?... The United States should have a swift and strong response to Russia if Russia uses nuclear weapons in Ukraine

Wave:	Yes	No
Oct 4-5, 2022	74%	26%

6f. TM396Y14_f. 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 to support Ukraine despite Russia threatening to use nuclear weapons

Wave:	Yes	No
Oct 4-5, 2022	73%	27%



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7. 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 Zelensky	President Joe Biden	NATO (The North Atlantic Treaty Organization) allies	Someone else	Not sure
Oct 4-5, 2022	63%	4%	12%	4%	1%	17%
Apr 25-26, 2022	68%	3%	10%	3%	1%	14%
Mar 28-29, 2022	66%	3%	9%	4%	1%	16%
Mar 7-8, 2022	68%	3%	10%	3%	1%	15%
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%

8a. TM3027Y22_1. How much are you worrying, if at all, about the following topics at this moment? Fuel and gas prices

Wave:	A great deal	A fair amount	A little bit	Not at all	Don't know	Total Worried	Total Not Worried
Oct 4-5, 2022	44%	29%	17%	6%	3%	74%	23%
Apr 25-26, 2022	41%	28%	19%	6%	6%	69%	25%
Mar 28-29, 2022	41%	27%	20%	8%	4%	69%	27%

8b. TM3027Y22_2. How much are you worrying, if at all, about the following topics at this moment? The Ukrainian people

Wave:	A great deal	A fair amount	A little bit	Not at all	Don't know	Total Worried	Total Not Worried
Oct 4-5, 2022	30%	34%	19%	10%	7%	64%	29%
Apr 25-26, 2022	40%	29%	18%	7%	6%	69%	25%
Mar 28-29, 2022	41%	30%	16%	8%	6%	70%	24%

8c. TM3027Y22_3. How much are you worrying, if at all, about the following topics at this moment? American military personnel in Europe

Wave:	A great deal	A fair amount	A little bit	Not at all	Don't know	Total Worried	Total Not Worried
Oct 4-5, 2022	18%	29%	25%	19%	9%	47%	44%
Apr 25-26, 2022	18%	33%	25%	15%	9%	51%	40%
Mar 28-29, 2022	21%	33%	26%	13%	6%	54%	40%

8d. TM3027Y22_4. How much are you worrying, if at all, about the following topics at this moment? Potential use of nuclear weapons in Ukraine

Wave:	A great deal	A fair amount	A little bit	Not at all	Don't know	Total Worried	Total Not Worried
Oct 4-5, 2022	31%	28%	26%	9%	7%	58%	35%



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8e. TM3027Y22_6. How much are you worrying, if at all, about the following topics at this moment? American political division and conflict

Wave:	A great deal	A fair amount	A little bit	Not at all	Don't know	Total Worried	Total Not Worried
Oct 4-5, 2022	38%	31%	17%	7%	7%	69%	25%
Apr 25-26, 2022	33%	34%	17%	8%	8%	67%	25%
Mar 28-29, 2022	31%	32%	20%	10%	7%	63%	30%

8f. TM3027Y22_7. How much are you worrying, if at all, about the following topics at this moment? American politicians who have accepted campaign money from Russia

Wave:	A great deal	A fair amount	A little bit	Not at all	Don't know	Total Worried	Total Not Worried
Oct 4-5, 2022	34%	24%	19%	13%	10%	59%	31%
Apr 25-26, 2022	33%	34%	17%	8%	8%	67%	25%
Mar 28-29, 2022	31%	32%	20%	10%	7%	63%	30%

8g. TM3027Y22_8. How much are you worrying, if at all, about the following topics at this moment? Russia influencing the 2022 American congressional elections through misinformation and propaganda online

Wave:	A great deal	A fair amount	A little bit	Not at all	Don't know	Total Worried	Total Not Worried
Oct 4-5, 2022	26%	24%	22%	18%	9%	50%	40%
Apr 25-26, 2022	25%	27%	17%	20%	11%	52%	37%

8h. TM3027Y22_9. How much are you worrying, if at all, about the following topics at this moment? Russia funneling money indirectly to American political candidates and campaigns

Wave:	A great deal	A fair amount	A little bit	Not at all	Don't know	Total Worried	Total Not Worried
Oct 4-5, 2022	26%	26%	24%	14%	10%	52%	38%
Apr 25-26, 2022	26%	26%	22%	15%	12%	52%	36%

9a. TM3032Y22_1. In the upcoming elections this November, are you more or less likely to support a candidate who does the following? Continues to support Ukraine with military aid

Wave:	Much more likely	Somewhat more likely	Somewhat less likely	Much less likely	Total Likely	Total Not Likely
Oct 4-5, 2022	22%	46%	21%	10%	69%	31%
Apr 25-26, 2022	27%	48%	16%	8%	76%	24%

9b. TM3032Y22_2. In the upcoming elections this November, are you more or less likely to support a candidate who does the following? Supports Ukrainian refugees

Wave:	Much more likely	Somewhat more likely	Somewhat less likely	Much less likely	Total Likely	Total Not Likely
Oct 4-5, 2022	25%	47%	20%	8%	72%	28%
Apr 25-26, 2022	32%	46%	15%	7%	78%	22%





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9c. TM3032Y22_3. In the upcoming elections this November, are you more or less likely to support a candidate who does the following? Supports the NATO alliance

Wave:	Much more likely	Somewhat more likely	Somewhat less likely	Much less likely	Total Likely	Total Not Likely
Oct 4-5, 2022	23%	47%	21%	9%	70%	30%
Apr 25-26, 2022	26%	49%	17%	7%	76%	24%

9d. TM3032Y22_4. In the upcoming elections this November, are you more or less likely to support a candidate who does the following? Supports Russia by advocating lifting sanctions

Wave:	Much more likely	Somewhat more likely	Somewhat less likely	Much less likely	Total Likely	Total Not Likely
Oct 4-5, 2022	6%	19%	28%	47%	25%	75%
Apr 25-26, 2022	4%	14%	25%	57%	18%	82%



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About the Study

These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between October 4-5, 2022 on behalf of Thomson Reuters. For this survey, a sample of 1,005 adults age 18+ from the continental U.S., Alaska, and Hawaii was interviewed online in English.

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. Post hoc 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 3.8 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=1,005, DEFF=1.5, adjusted Confidence Interval=+/- 5.3 percentage points).

Previous waves of this research are detailed below:

	CI	Total Sample
April 25-26	+/- 3.8	1,005
March 28-29	+/- 3.8	1,005
March 7-8	+/- 3.8	1,005
March 3-4	+/- 4.2	831
Feb 28-Mar 1	+/- 3.8	1,005
February 23-24	+/- 3.8	1,004

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