

BELARUSIAN POLITICS AND CULTURE IN UKRAINIAN PUBLIC OPINION



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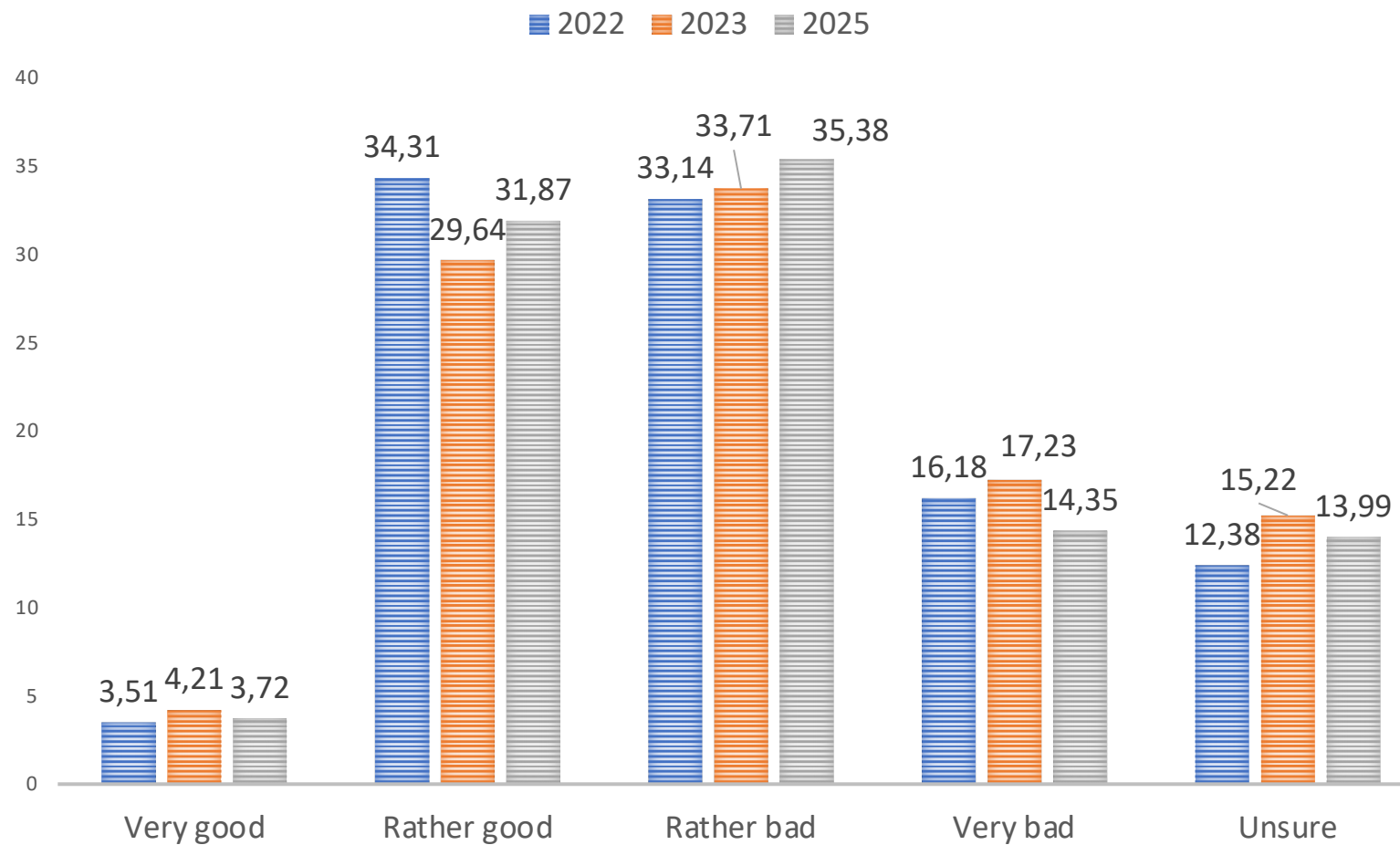
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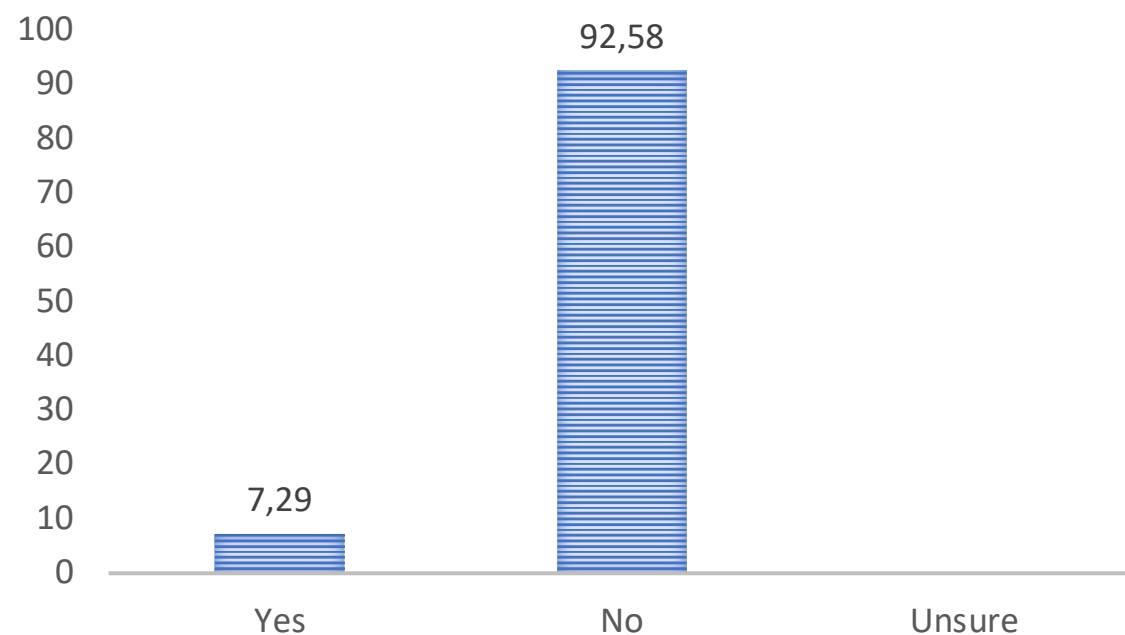


	2022	2023	2025
Sample	1026	1022	1000
Time of research	August 17-19	October 14-16	October 13-23
Method	CATI (computer-assisted telephone interviews)	CATI (computer-assisted telephone interviews)	CATI (computer-assisted telephone interviews)
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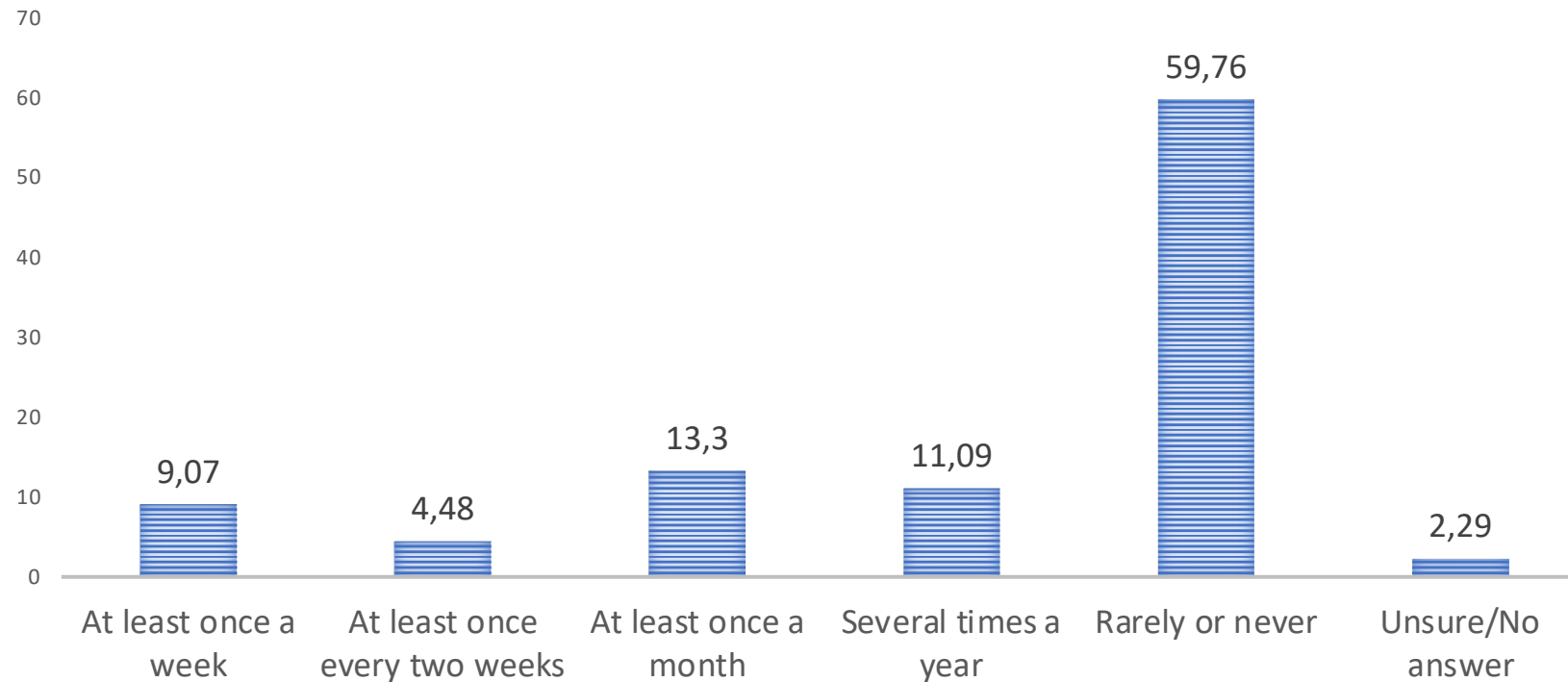
WHAT IS YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARDS BELARUSIANS (CITIZENS OF BELARUS)?



DO YOU HAVE ANY RELATIVES, FRIENDS, OR ACQUAINTANCES IN BELARUS, OR THOSE WHO HAVE MOVED ABROAD, WITH WHOM YOU HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT AT LEAST ONCE IN THE PAST YEAR? 2025 (%)



HOW OFTEN DO YOU ENCOUNTER CONTENT BY BELARUSIAN AUTHORS ON SOCIO-POLITICAL OR CULTURAL TOPICS (ARTICLES, VIDEOS, COMMENTS, ETC.)? (2025)



WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING BELARUSIAN CULTURAL FIGURES DO YOU KNOW?

	2025
Euphrosyne of Polatsk	2,75
Francysk Skaryna	4,38
Kanstantsin (Kastus) Kalinousky	20,94
Jakub Kolas	7,5
Yanka Kupala	12,67
Uladzimir Karatkevich	5,24
Svetlana Alekseevich	4,15
Useslau of Polatsk	2,76
I don't know anyone	64,99
Unsure/No answer	0,73

BELARUSIAN STATE



ПАЛІТЫЧНАЯ СФЕРА

WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS DO YOU AGREE WITH MORE?

	2025 (%)
Belarus is a fully functional democracy	2,32
Belarus is a mostly functional democracy	6,56
Belarus is a mostly authoritarian state	22,24
Belarus is a fully authoritarian state	58,27
Unsure/No answer	10,61

WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS DO YOU AGREE WITH MORE?

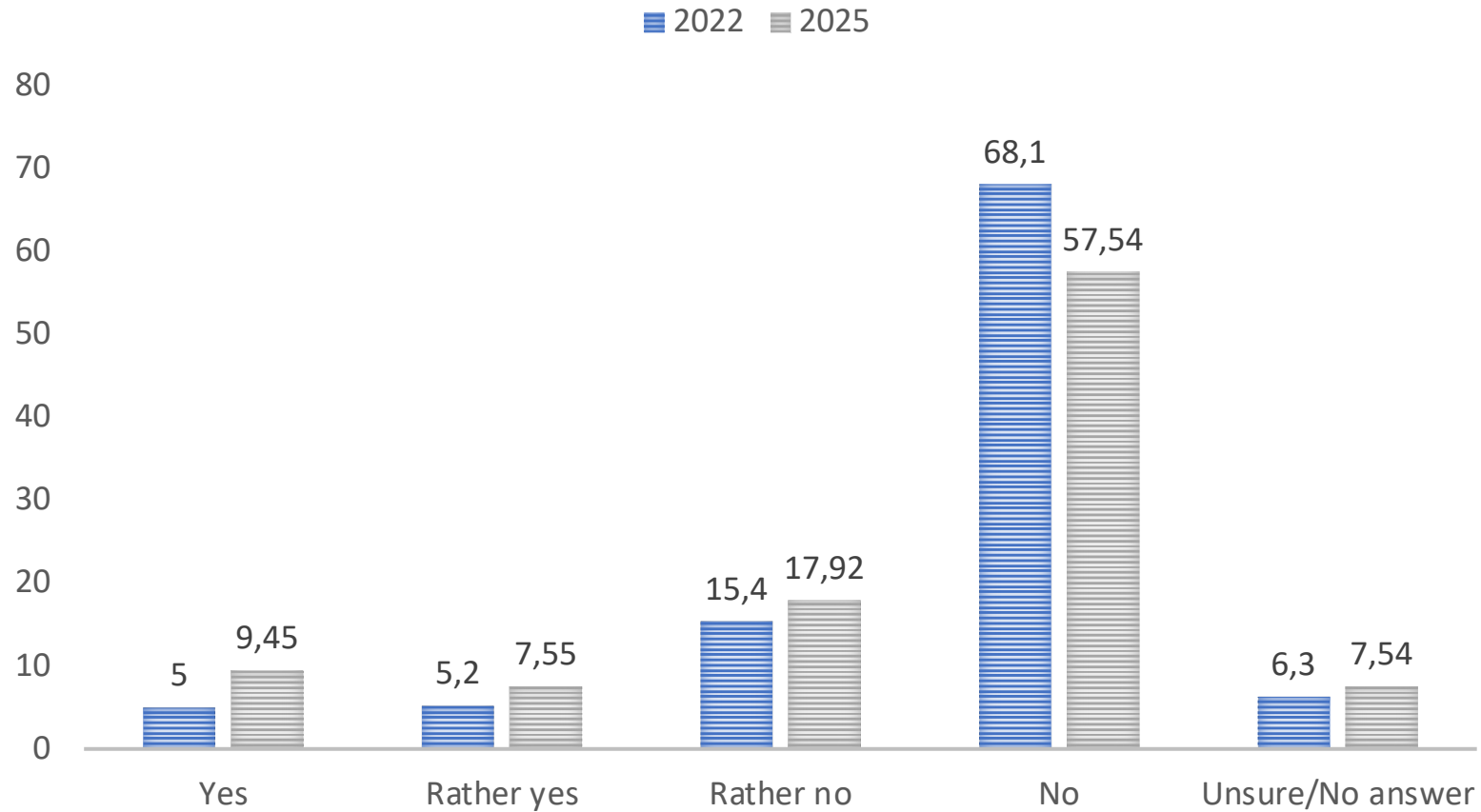
	2025 (%)
Belarus is a sovereign state with full independence in its foreign policy	3,38
Belarus is a sovereign state, though its foreign policy is heavily shaped by Russian influence	10,07
Belarus is a dependent state whose foreign policy is almost entirely determined by Russia	20,41
Belarus is a dependent state under the full control of Russia	36,77
Belarus is a state effectively occupied by Russia	24,4
Unsure/No answer	4,98

BELARUSIAN POLITICS

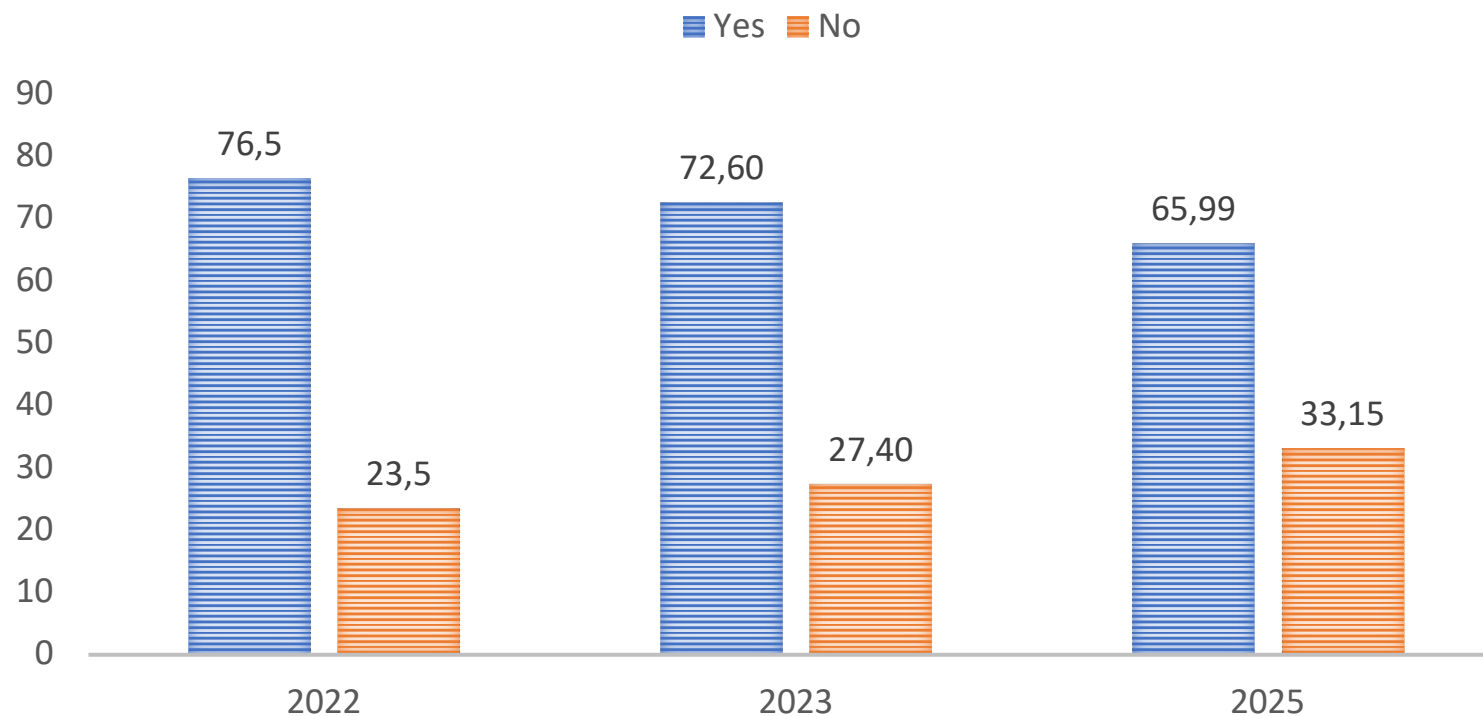


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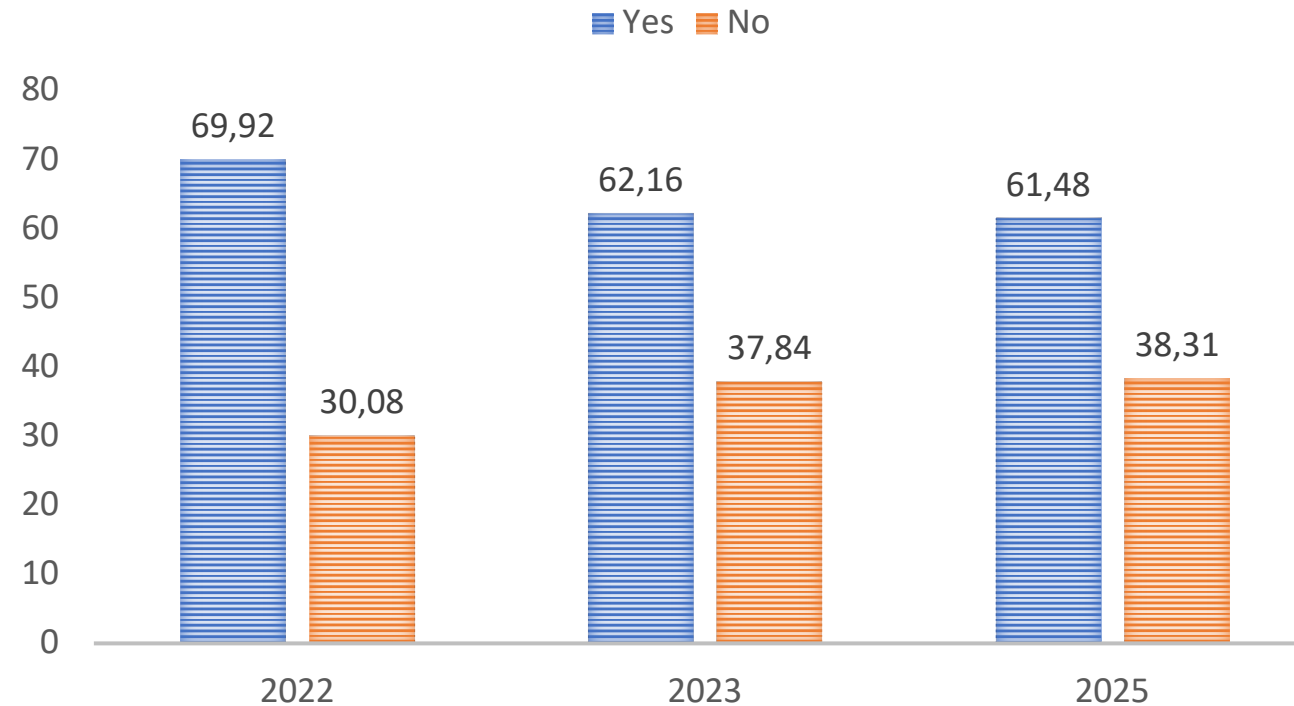
DO YOU CONSIDER ALYAKSANDR LUKASHENKA TO BE THE LEGITIMATE LEADER OF BELARUS?



ARE YOU AWARE OF SVIATLANA TSIKHANOUSKAYA, THE LEADER OF THE BELARUSIAN OPPOSITION WHO RAN AGAINST ALYAKSANDR LUKASHENKA IN THE 2020 ELECTIONS?



ARE YOU AWARE OF THE BELARUSIAN UNITS CURRENTLY FIGHTING ON THE SIDE OF UKRAINE, SUCH AS THE KASTUS KALINOUSKI REGIMENT, 'PAHONYA', AND OTHERS?



UKRAINIAN POLICY



ПАЛІТЫЧНАЯ СФЕРА

WHAT POLICY SHOULD UKRAINE PURSUE TOWARDS BELARUS? (SEVERAL ANSWERS ARE POSSIBLE)

	2022	2023	2025
Completely sever relations with the Belarusian authorities until they stop participating in the aggression, even if it leads to economic losses for Ukraine	57,91	49,19	26,35
Maintain relations with the Belarusian authorities if it is beneficial and helps prevent economic losses for Ukraine (e.g., supplies of fertilizers, petroleum products, etc.)	3,52	4,77	12,27
A balanced approach: limiting contacts and publicly condemning the actions of Belarus, while maintaining cooperation on matters essential to Ukraine's economic interests	27,79	27,76	24,68
Provide support to the Belarusian democratic opposition as a legitimate alternative to the current government in Belarus	37,89	31,50	35,43
Unsure/No answer	7,42	9,32	10,18
Total	134,53	122,53	108,91

WHAT POLICY SHOULD UKRAINE PURSUIT TOWARDS THE DEMOCRATIC OPPOSITION OF BELARUS AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT IN BELARUS?

	2022	2023	2025
Avoid developing cooperation at the state level	25,61	27,84	18,43
Develop cooperation at the state level, but limit them to formal meetings, statements, and protocol events	24,06	14,45	29,4
Develop comprehensive cooperation and provide full-scale public and official support at the state level	18,36	22,60	14,08
Maintain state-level cooperation on a non-public and unofficial basis	12,7	16,26	22,03
Unsure/No answer	19,27	18,85	16,06

WHAT ARE THE MAIN REASONS TO AVOID DEVELOPING COOPERATION?

.	2022	2023	2025
Avoid developing official cooperation because the Belarusian opposition is weak and lacks influence	34,59	28,74	25,09
Avoid developing official cooperation, as this may cause a negative reaction from the Belarusian authorities and further deterioration of relations between the countries	19,98	6,84	14,67
Avoid developing official cooperation, as it is unclear to what extent the democratic opposition is under Russian influence.	65,63	60,67	67,87
Unsure/No answer	6,47	12,25	10,46
Total	126,67	108,51	118,09

Thank you