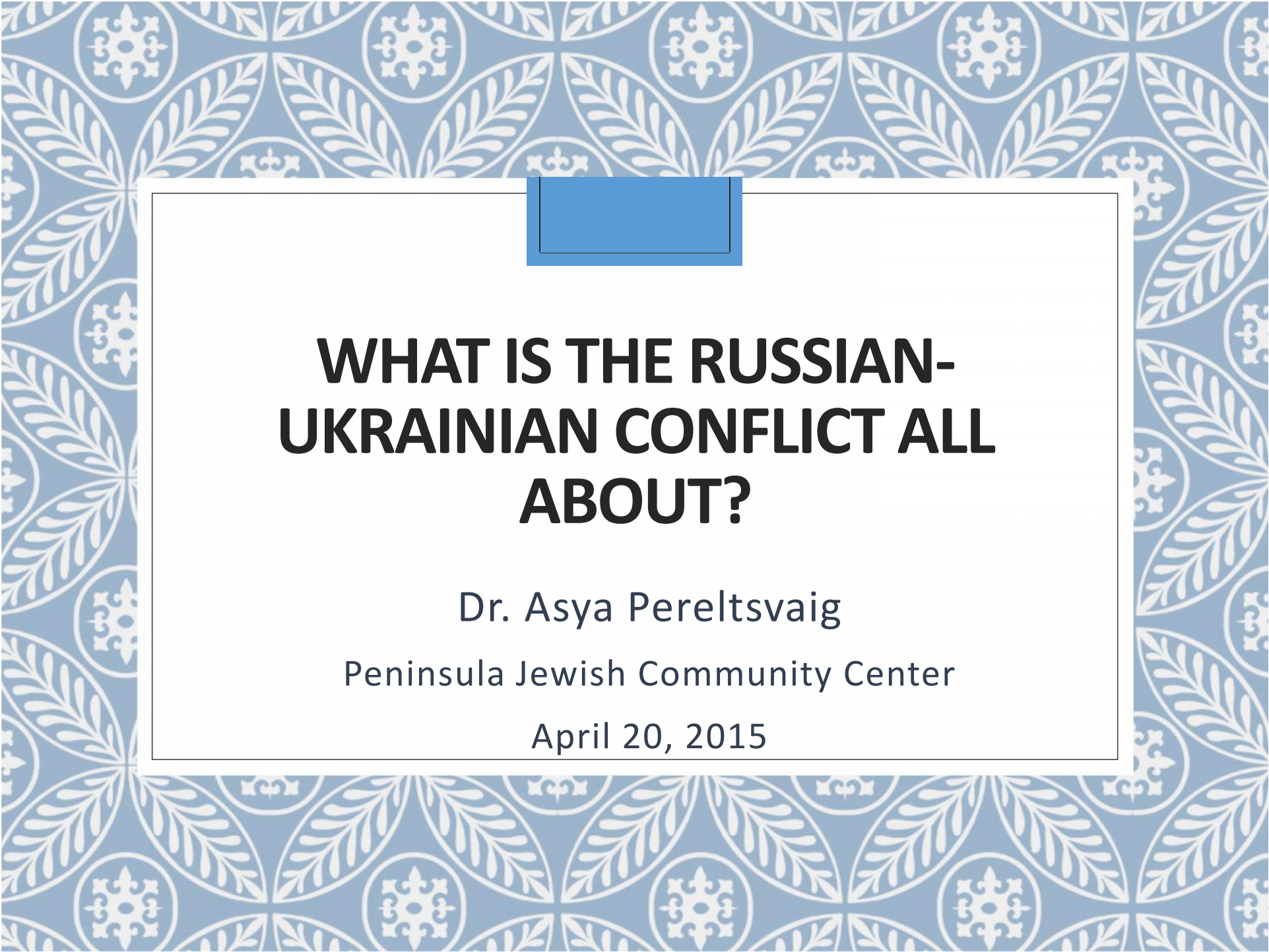




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Protesters, one them holding an Ukraine flag, demonstrate against the military intervention of Russia in Crimea as they gather in Kiev's Independence Square, the epicenter of the country's current unrest, Ukraine on Saturday. Photo:AP



Ukraine

Russia

Black Sea

The Crimean port of Sevastopol is home to Russia's Black Sea fleet, which includes 24 warships, two submarines and 16,000 sailors and marines.

21 July 2014 (12:00)



Date of the liberation



Location terrorists



Losses of the terrorists



Existed



Places fights with terrorists

8

Border areas under the control of Ukraine

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Places of armed clashes between the Border Guard Service of Ukraine and the terrorists



Territory controlled by terrorists as of June 18



Seven task forces (ships and coast guard motorboats) are continuing to guard the Azov Sea to prevent the penetration of sabotage and intelligence groups on the coast of Donetsk and Zaporizhia oblasts, and to guard the raids of the Mariupol and Berdyansk ports.



Location civilian airports.



The location of military units of the Russian Federation



Boeing 777 crash site July 17, 2014

Luhansk





Senator Feinstein: US-Russia relations 'at Cold War levels'



Senate Intelligence Committee Chairwoman Dianne Feinstein

Senate Intelligence Committee Chairwoman Dianne Feinstein blames Russian President Vladimir Putin for the downing of a Malaysia Airlines passenger jet, saying US-Russia relations have now dipped to "Cold War levels."

March 18, 2015

Former ambassador addresses strains in U.S.-Russia relations

By Aaron Coven

Before a crowded Statler auditorium audience March 16, former U.S. ambassador to Russia Michael McFaul tackled the question haunting U.S.-Russia relations: "What happened ... why are we in this mess?" In delivering the Henry E. and Nancy Horton Bartels World Affairs Fellowship lecture, McFaul looked at recent history to decipher the current chill.

McFaul – a self-described "recovering bureaucrat

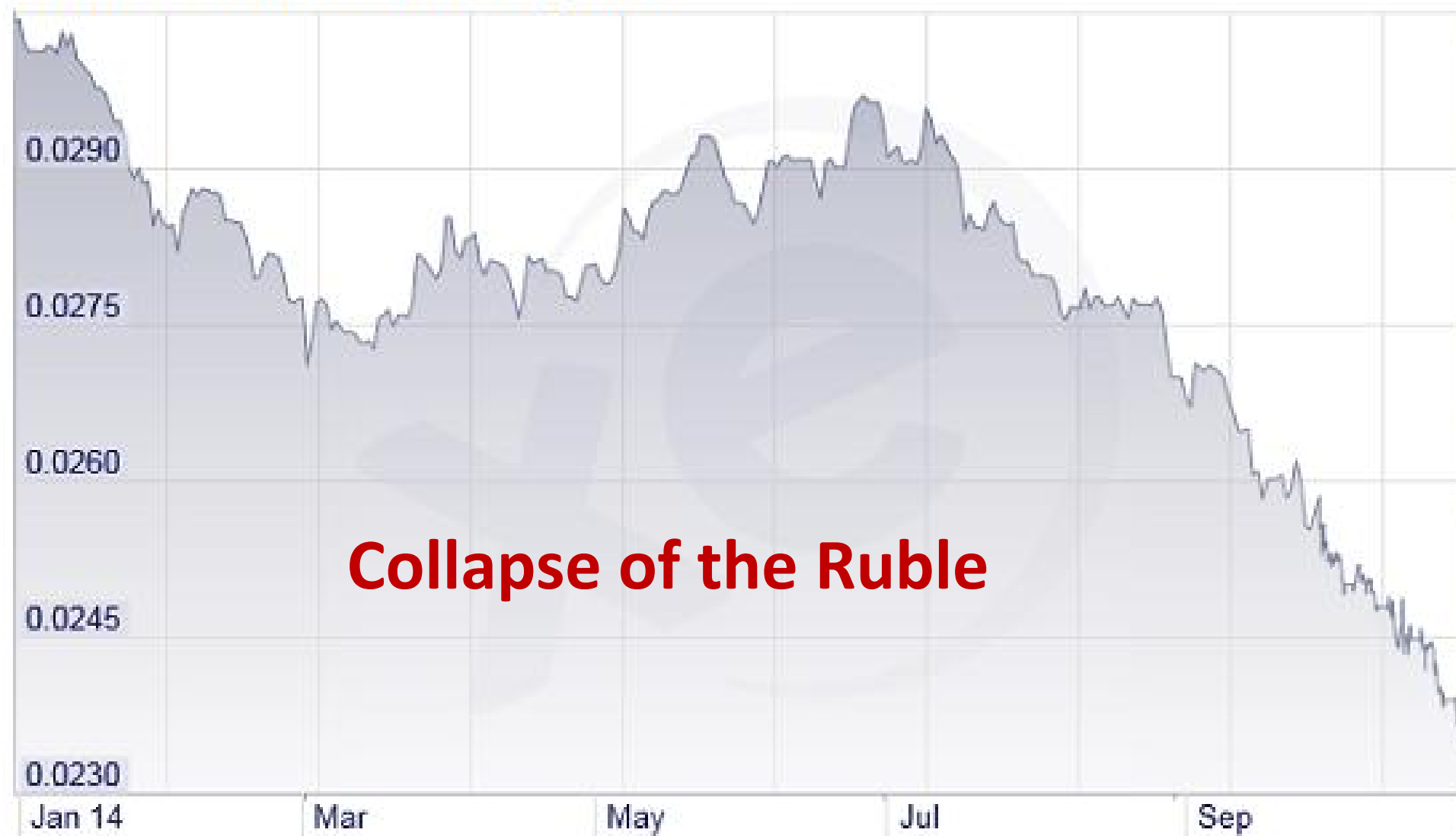


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Michael McFaul, the former U.S. ambassador to Russia, delivers the Henry E. and Nancy Horton Bartels World Affairs Fellowship lecture March 16 in Statler auditorium.

and aspiring professor" – served as U.S. ambassador to Russia from 2012 to 2014. Relations between the two superpowers are more strained today than anytime in the last 30 years, McFaul said. Today, 83 percent of Russians have a negative view of the U.S., he said, but just three years ago, 60 percent of Russians had a positive view of the U.S. McFaul further noted there have been a number of signs of conflict between the two countries, such as Russia's removal from the G8 in 2014.

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The Ukraine Crisis: A Humanitarian Response Through Immigration

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The Russian invasion of Ukraine continues to [escalate](#), with rising military, economic and social costs. In the last year, [thousands](#) of people have been killed in the fighting in Eastern Ukraine, with over ten thousand injured and almost one million Ukrainians displaced. Indeed, the conflict marked its one year anniversary with [reports](#) of more Ukrainian soldiers being killed.

The harshness of the conflict and the fear it instills in civilians was brought home to me last week when I got a call from a woman named Iryna. She has two small children in Mariupol, Ukraine. She

World

Transcript: Putin says Russia will protect the rights of Russians abroad ?



In a speech to a joint session of the Russian parliament, President Vladimir Putin defended his rights to annex Crimea. But were his statements on point? We put Putin's speech to the Truth

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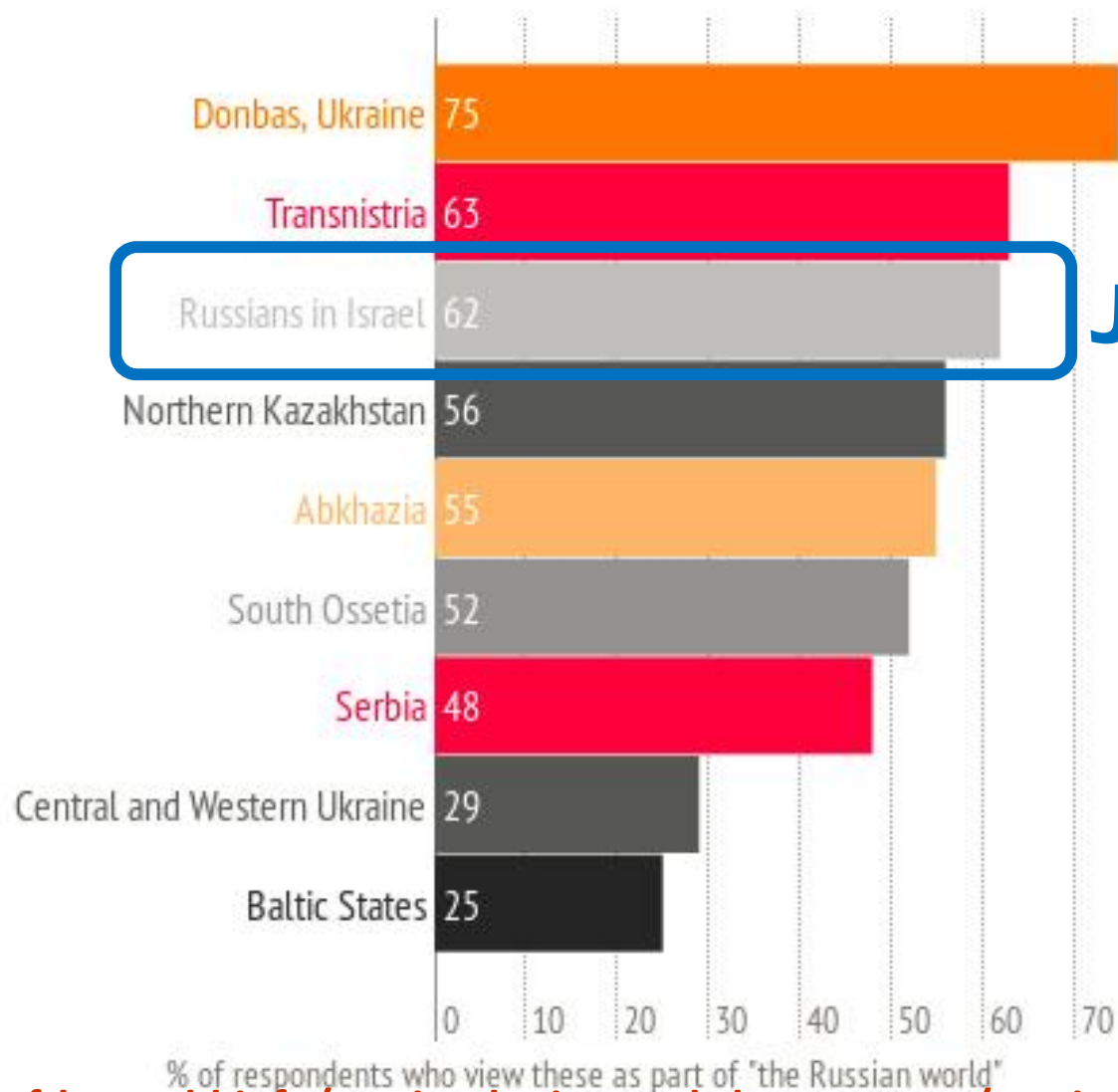
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Ties To Russia

The Kremlin says Moscow will strive to protect the interests of Russians and Russian speakers wherever they may be. We look at the regions where the greatest concentrations of Russian citizens, ethnic Russians and native Russian speakers live, outside the borders of the Russian Federation.



What territories Russians view as "the Russian world"



Jewish ?

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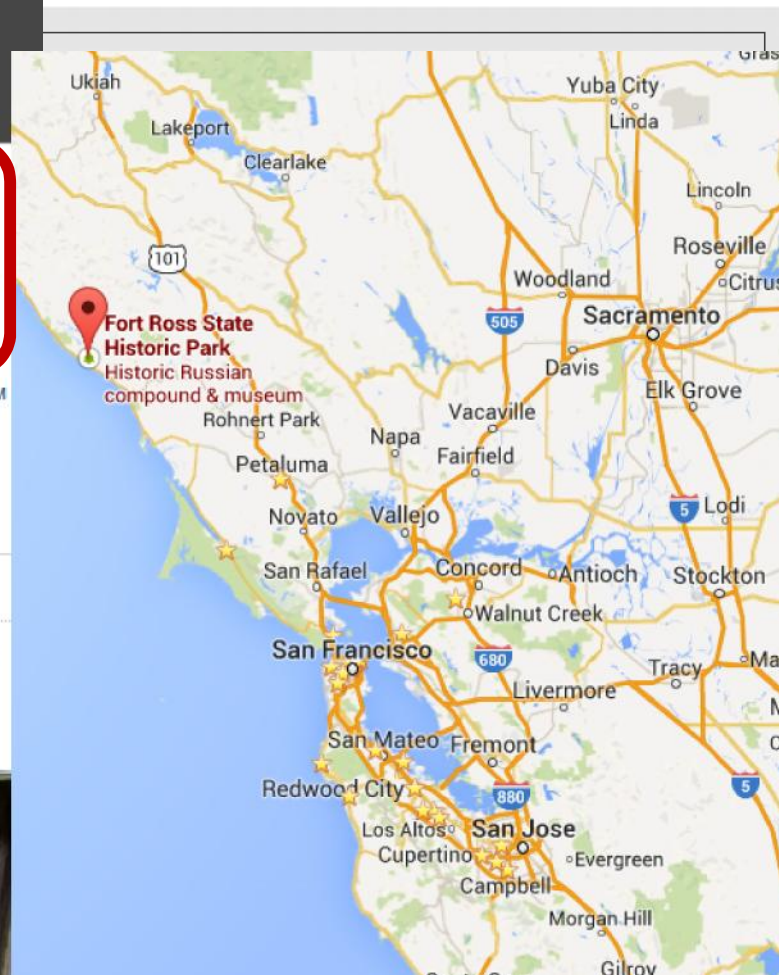
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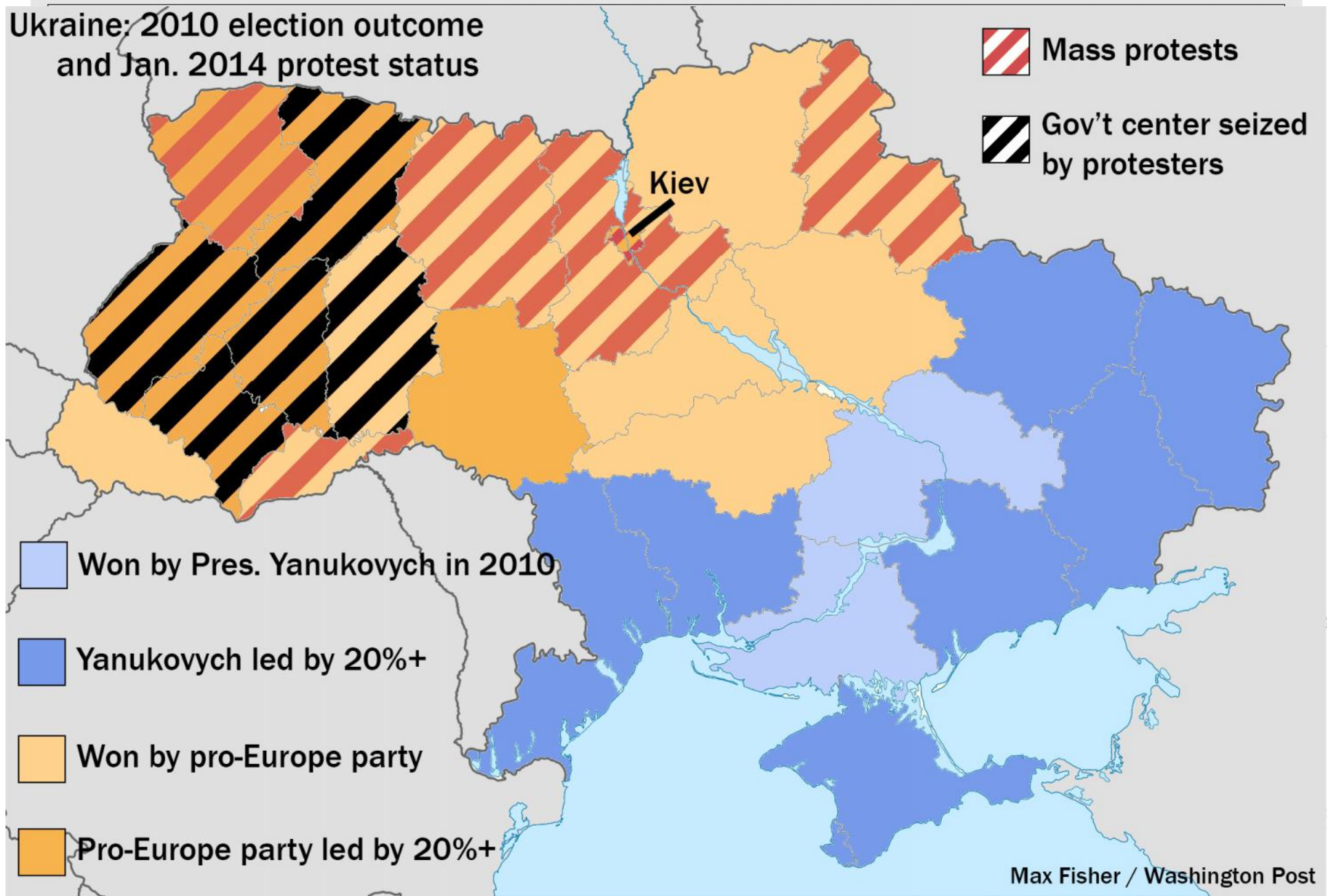
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Ukraine: 2010 election outcome and Jan. 2014 protest status





By Max Fisher, *Washington Post*, February 21, 2014

THE ETHNO-LINGUISTIC DIVIDE



The Guardian, 14 December 2013

Ukraine parliament brawls over language bill (May 2012)

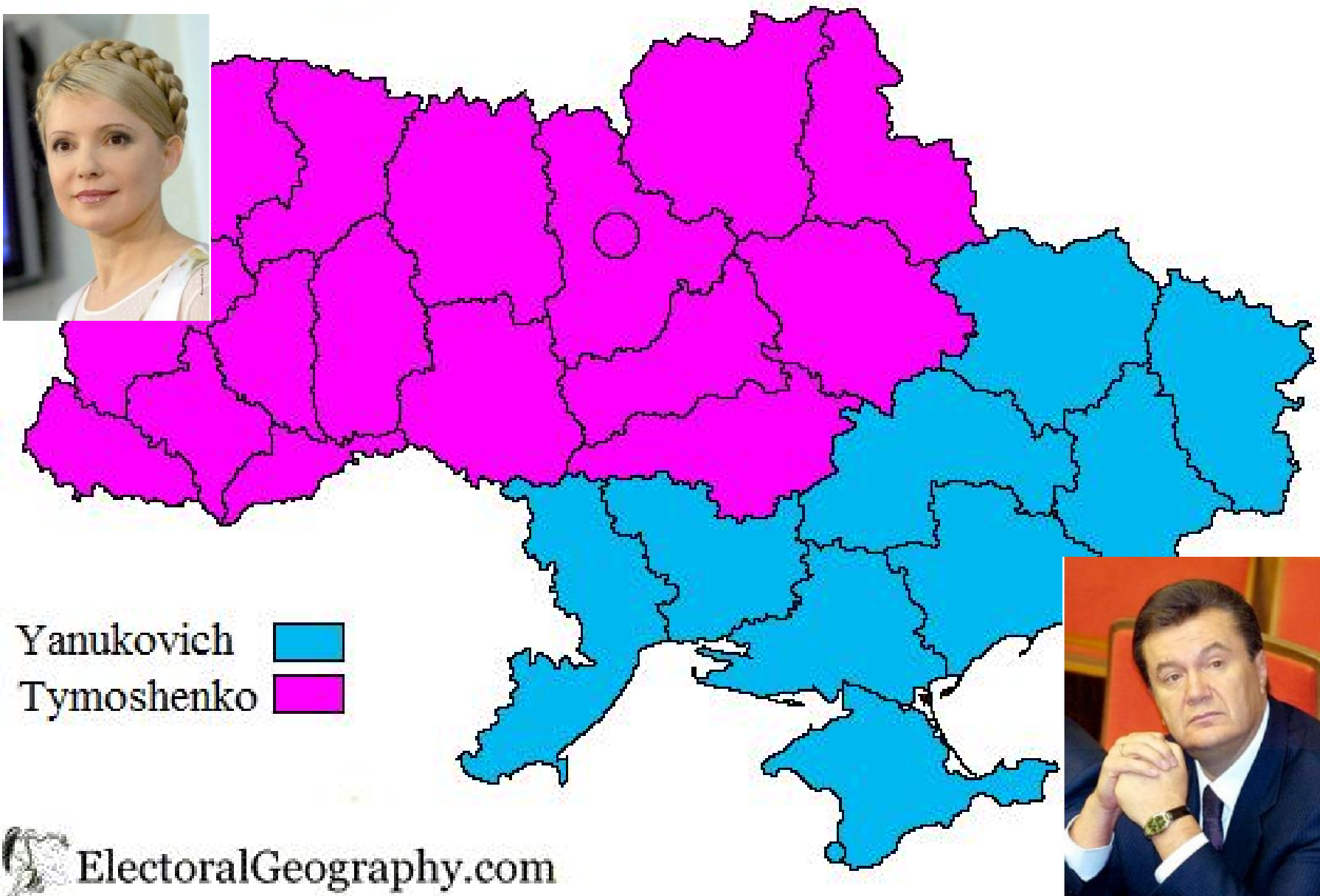




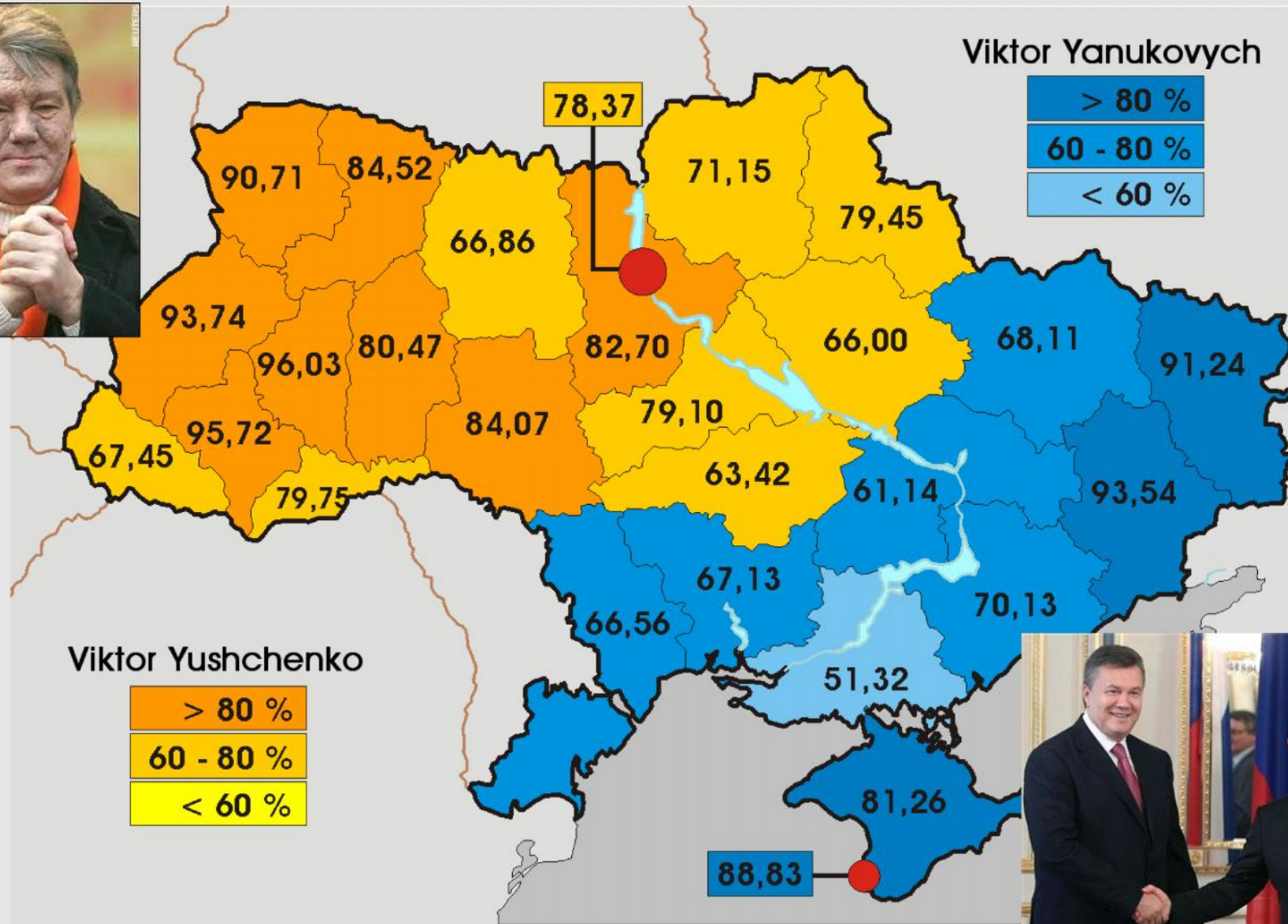
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Ukrainian Presidential Election 2010

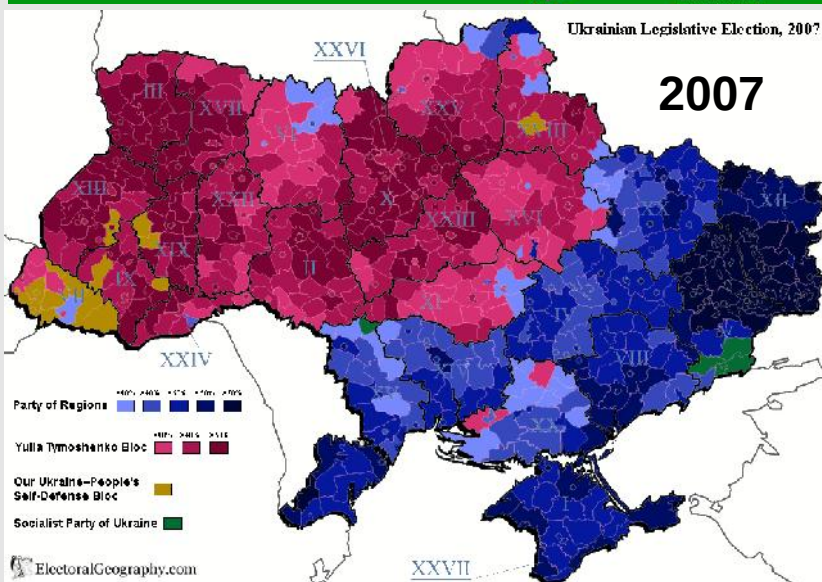
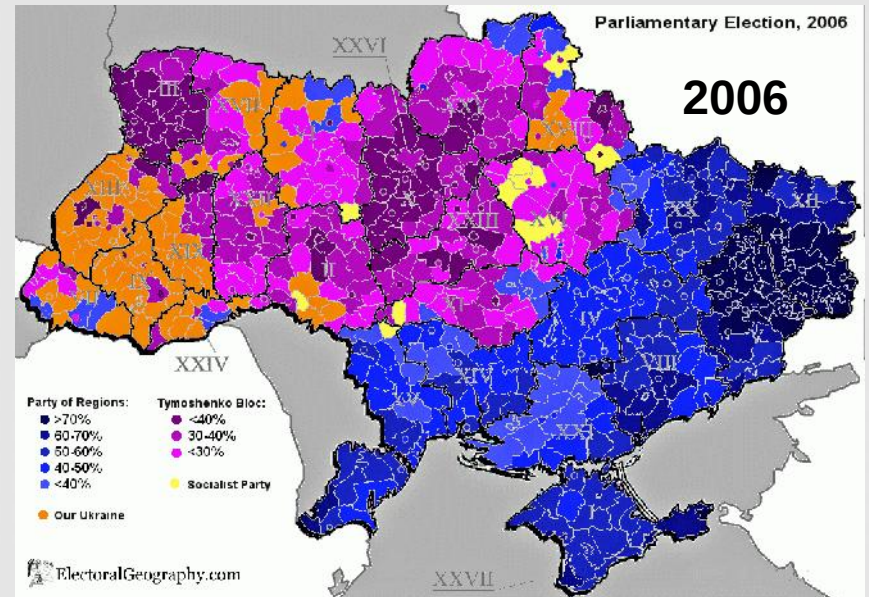
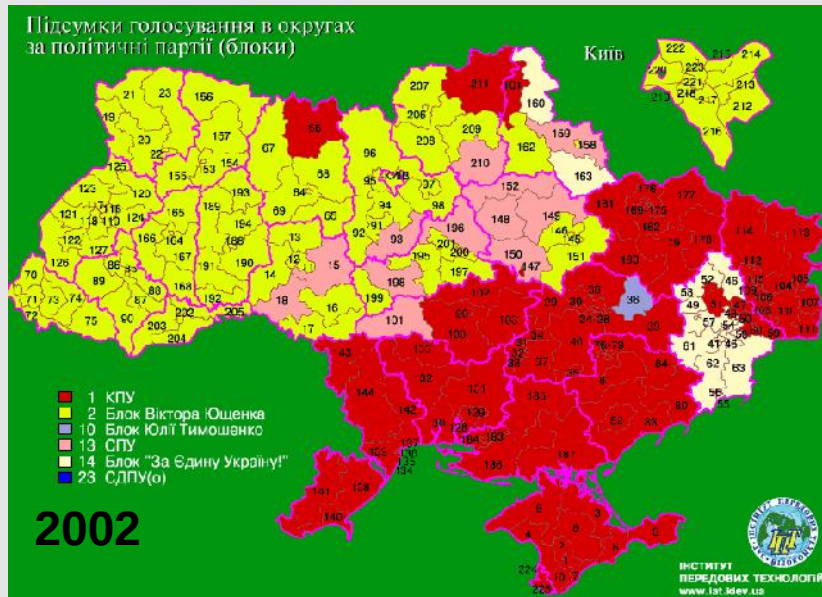
Second Round



Ukrainian Presidential Election (2004)



Ukraine. Legislative Elections





1700 CE



Ethno-linguistic map of Ukraine

Ethnic Ukrainians

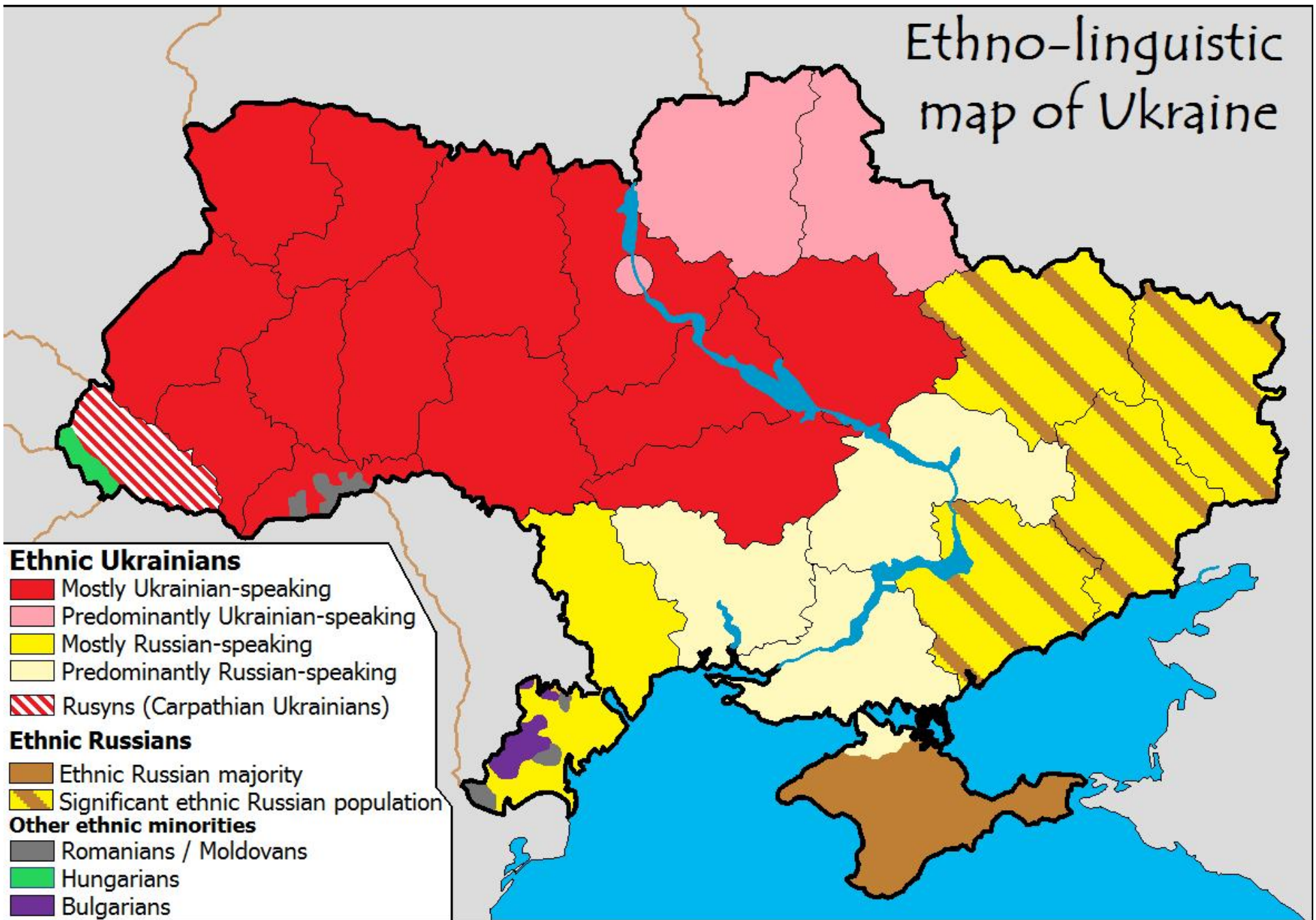
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Ethnic Russians

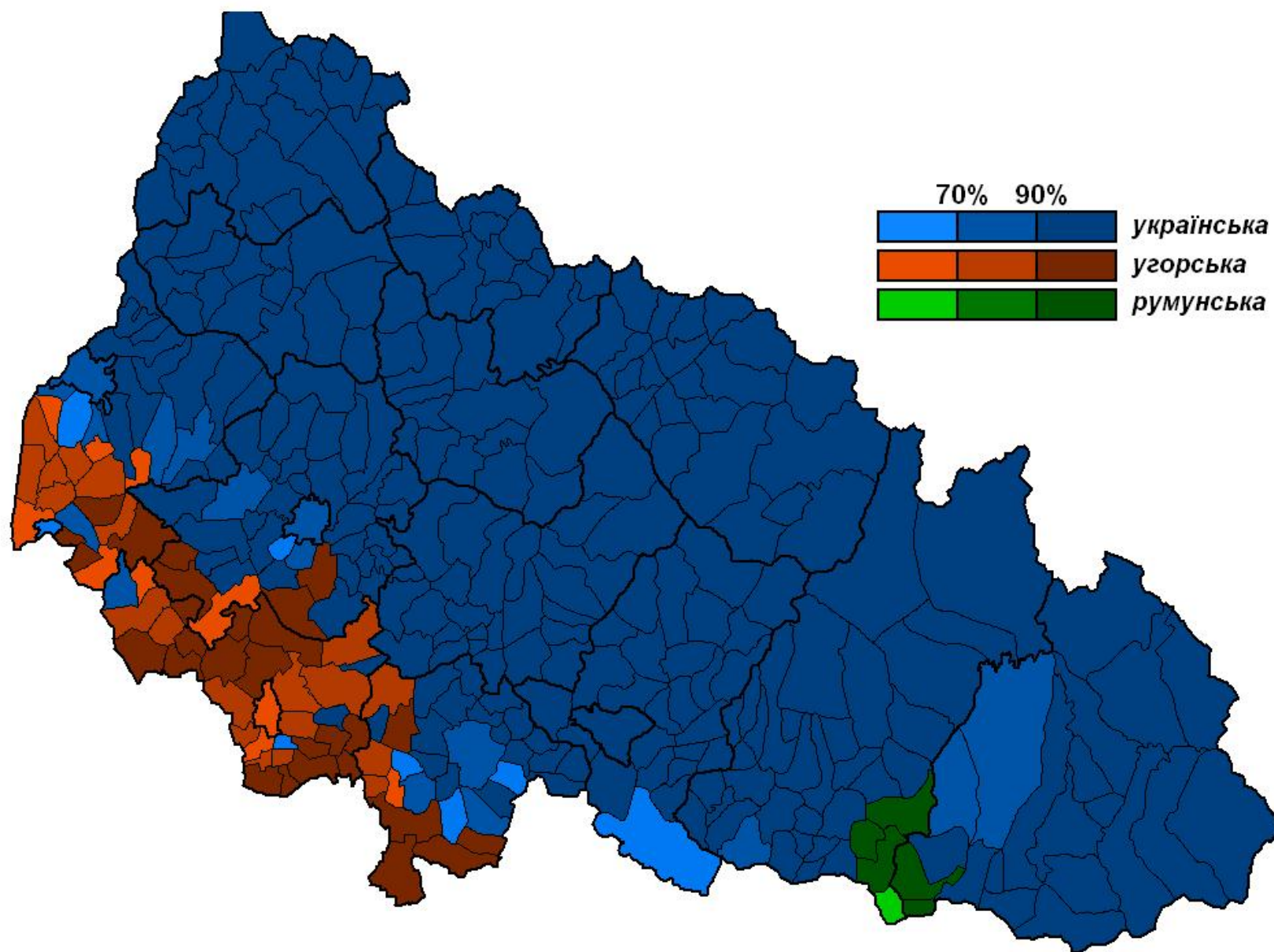
- Ethnic Russian majority
- Significant ethnic Russian population

Other ethnic minorities

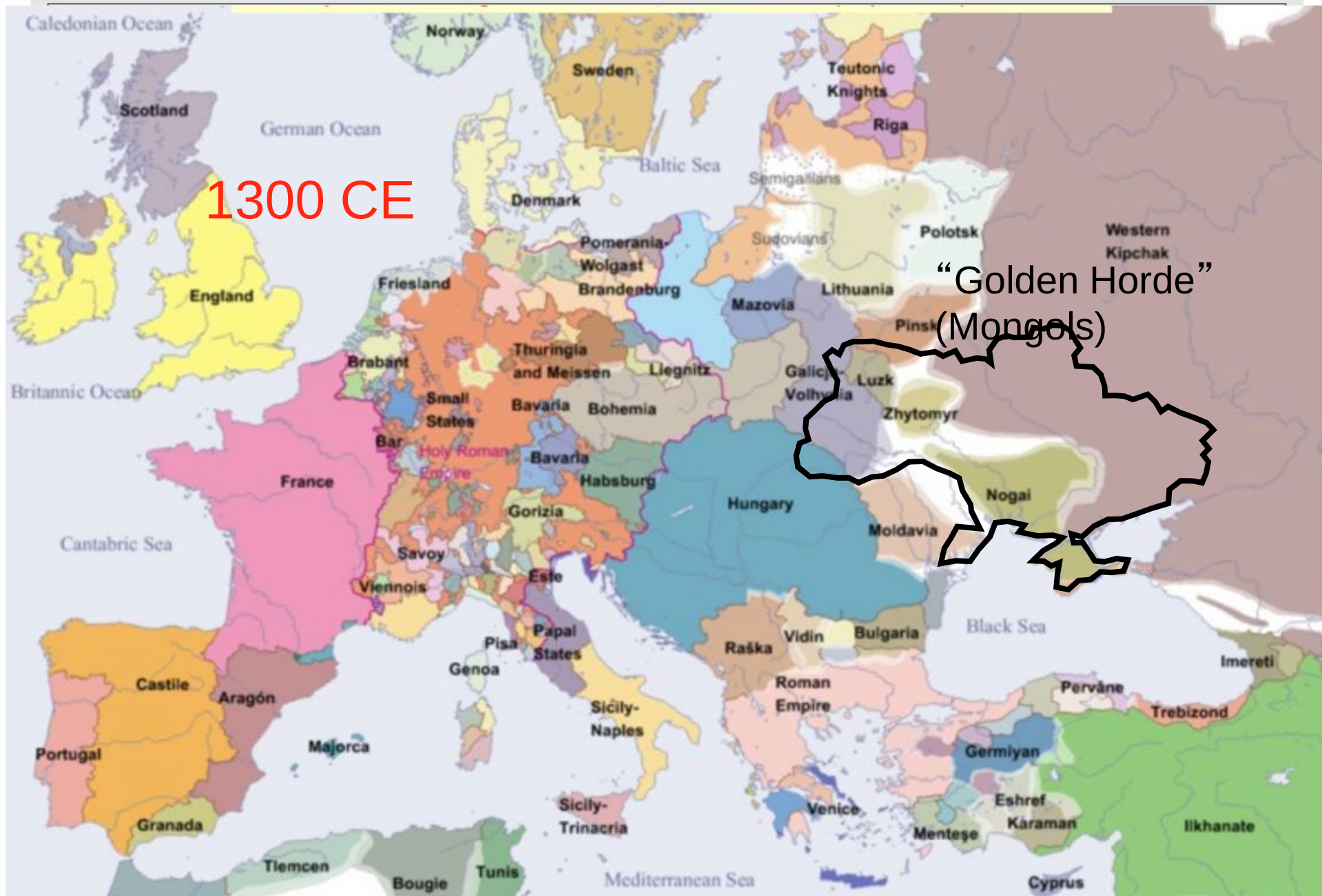
- Romanians / Moldovans
- Hungarians
- Bulgarians



Найпоширеніша рідна мова у міських та сільських радах Закарпатської області
(перепис 2001 року)







1300 CE

“Golden Horde”
(Mongols)

Cossack Hetmanate 1648

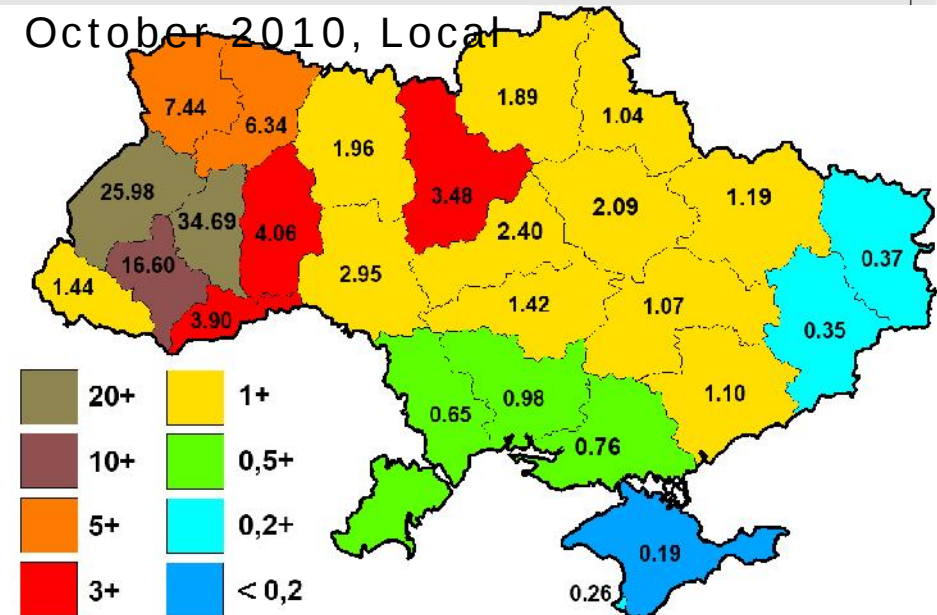
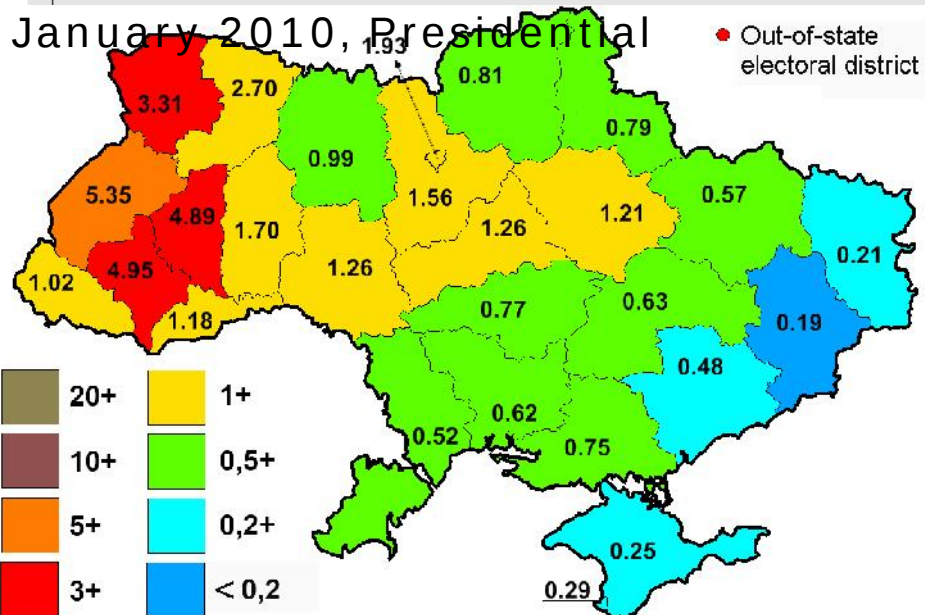
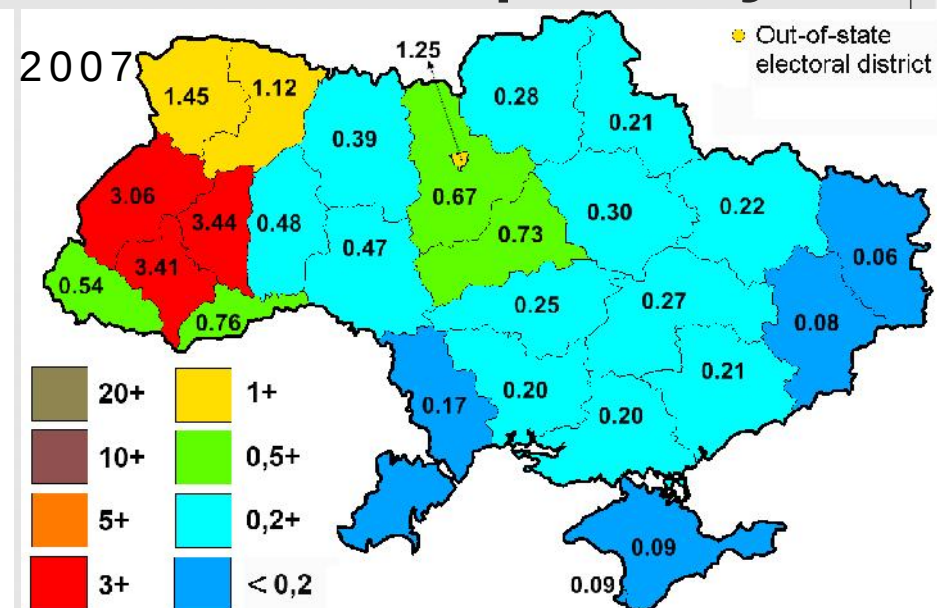
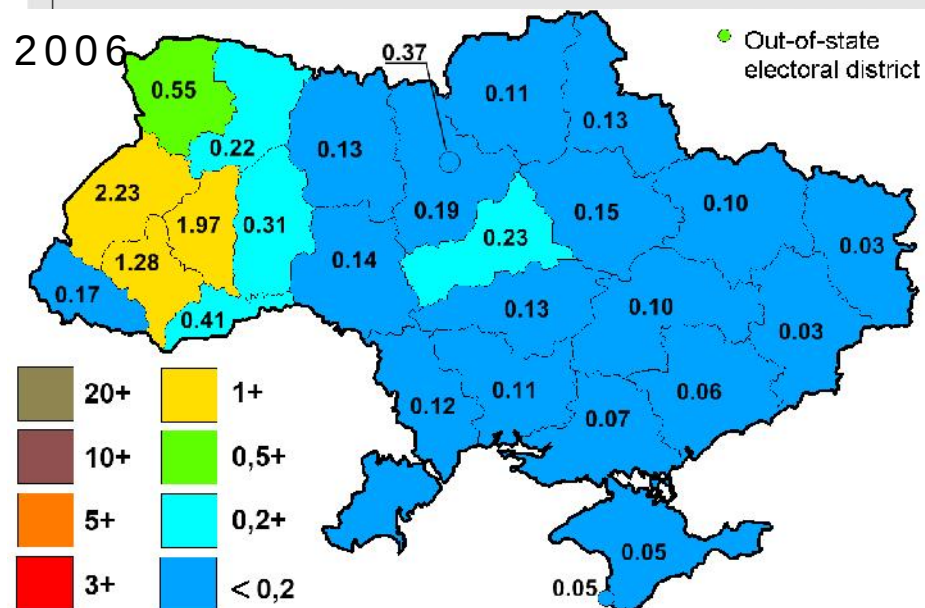


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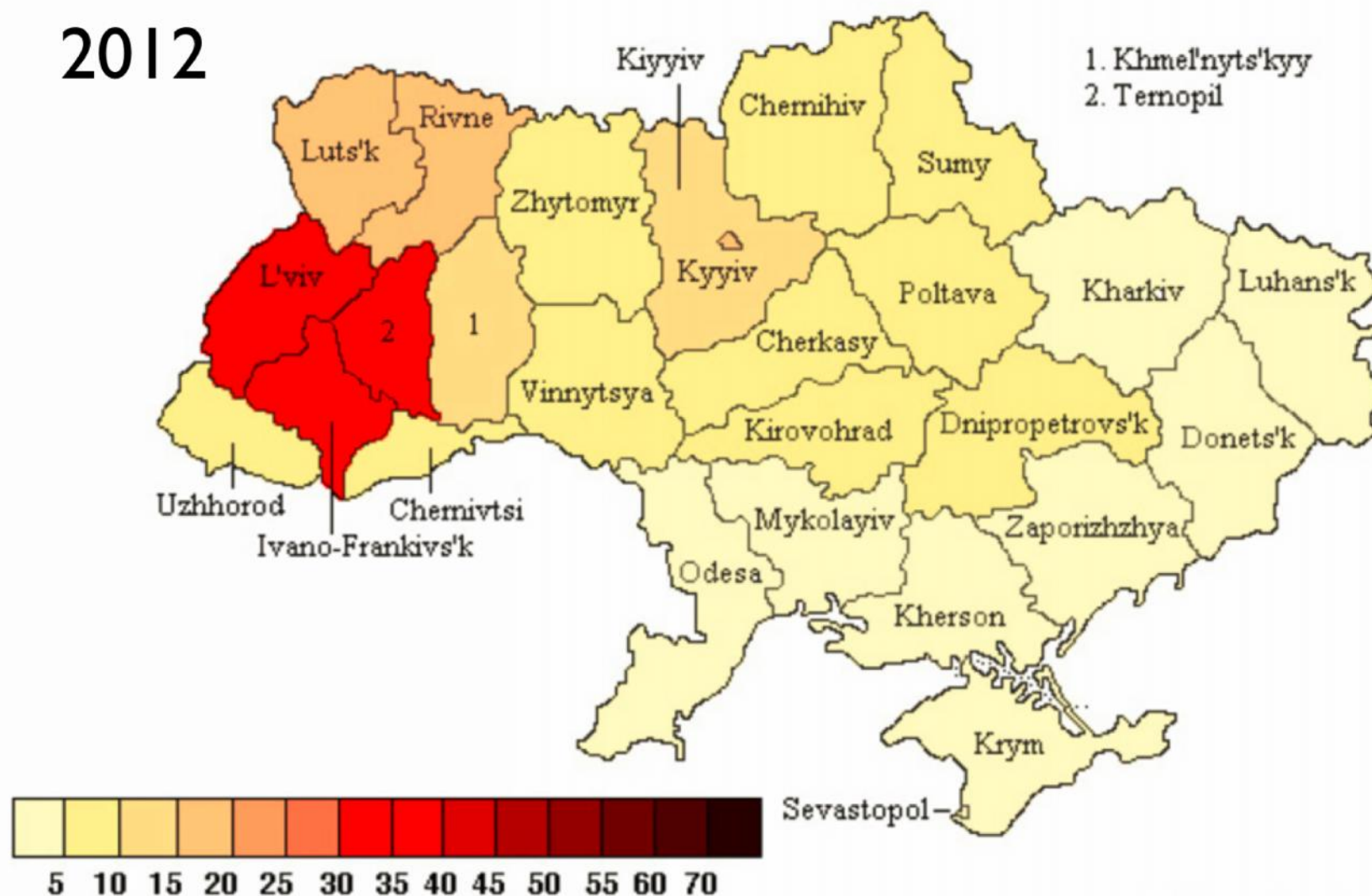


Growth of the Svoboda party



Pan-Ukrainian Union "Freedom" (Svoboda)

2012



Author : Jean Vanlaer



Electoral Geography 2.0

Mapped politics

All-Ukrainian Union "Svoboda"



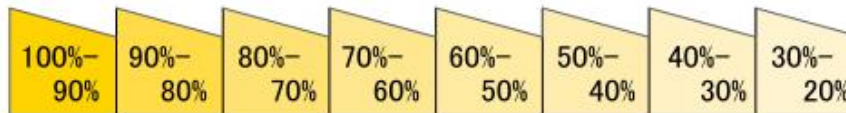
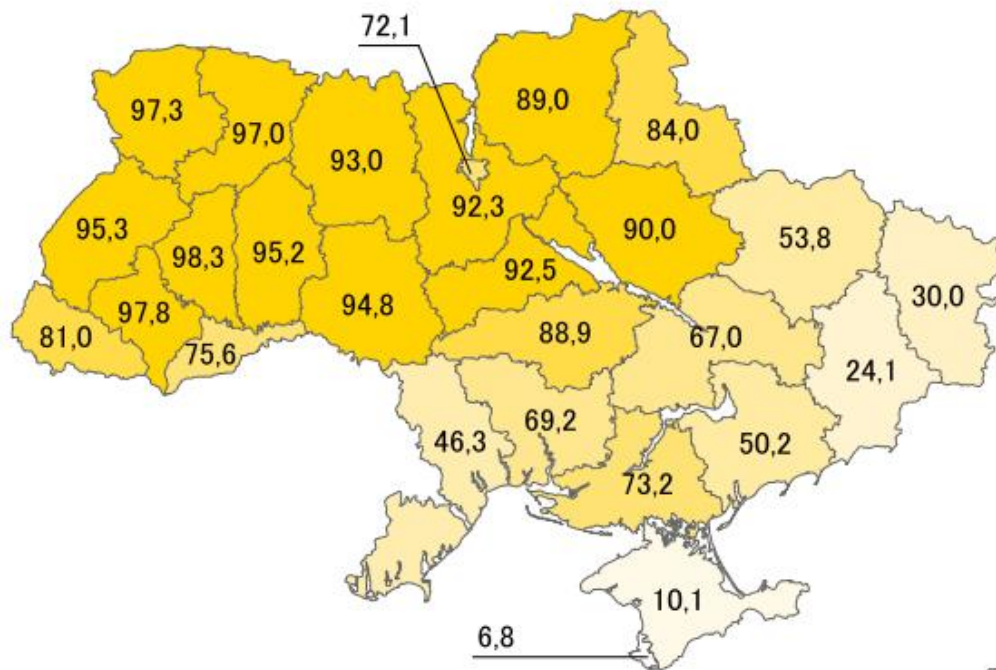
Leader	Oleh Tyahnybok
Parliamentary leader	Oleh Tyahnybok
Slogan	"20 Years of Fight"
Founded	October 13, 1991 Registered as political party on October 16, 1995. ^[1]
Preceded by	Social-National Party of Ukraine
Headquarters	Kiev
Membership (2010)	15,000 ^[2]
Ideology	Ukrainian nationalism, ^[3] Right-wing populism ^{[4][5]}
Political position	Far-right
International affiliation	None
European affiliation	None (From autumn 2009 until 20 March 2014 Svoboda had observer status in the Alliance of European National Movements ^{[2][6]})
Colors	Blue and Yellow
Verkhovna Rada	35 / 450 ^[7]

Svoboda Party

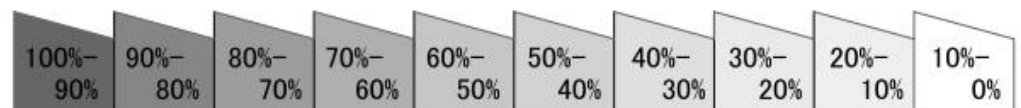
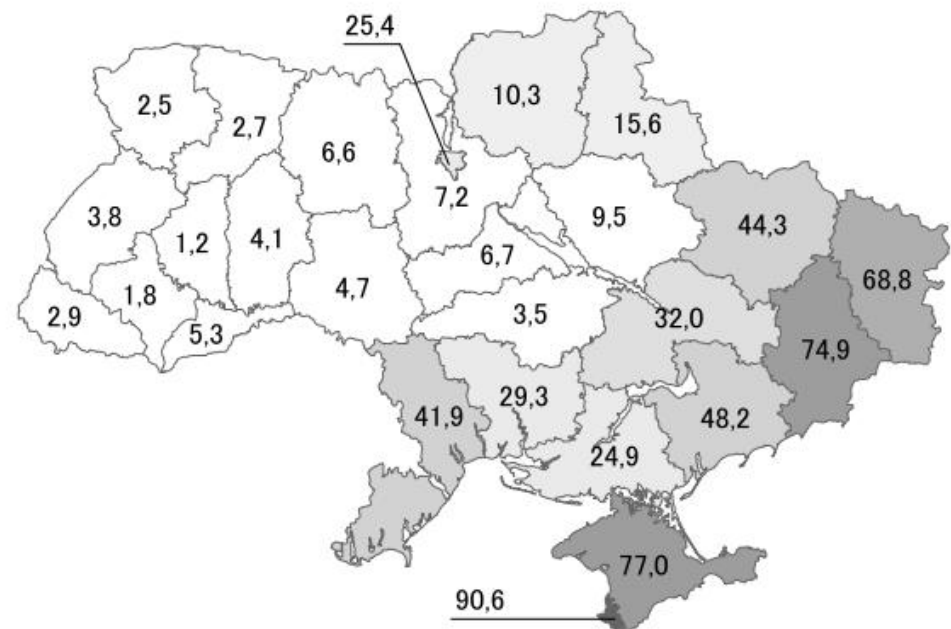


< 8% (2012), ≈ 1.5% (2014)



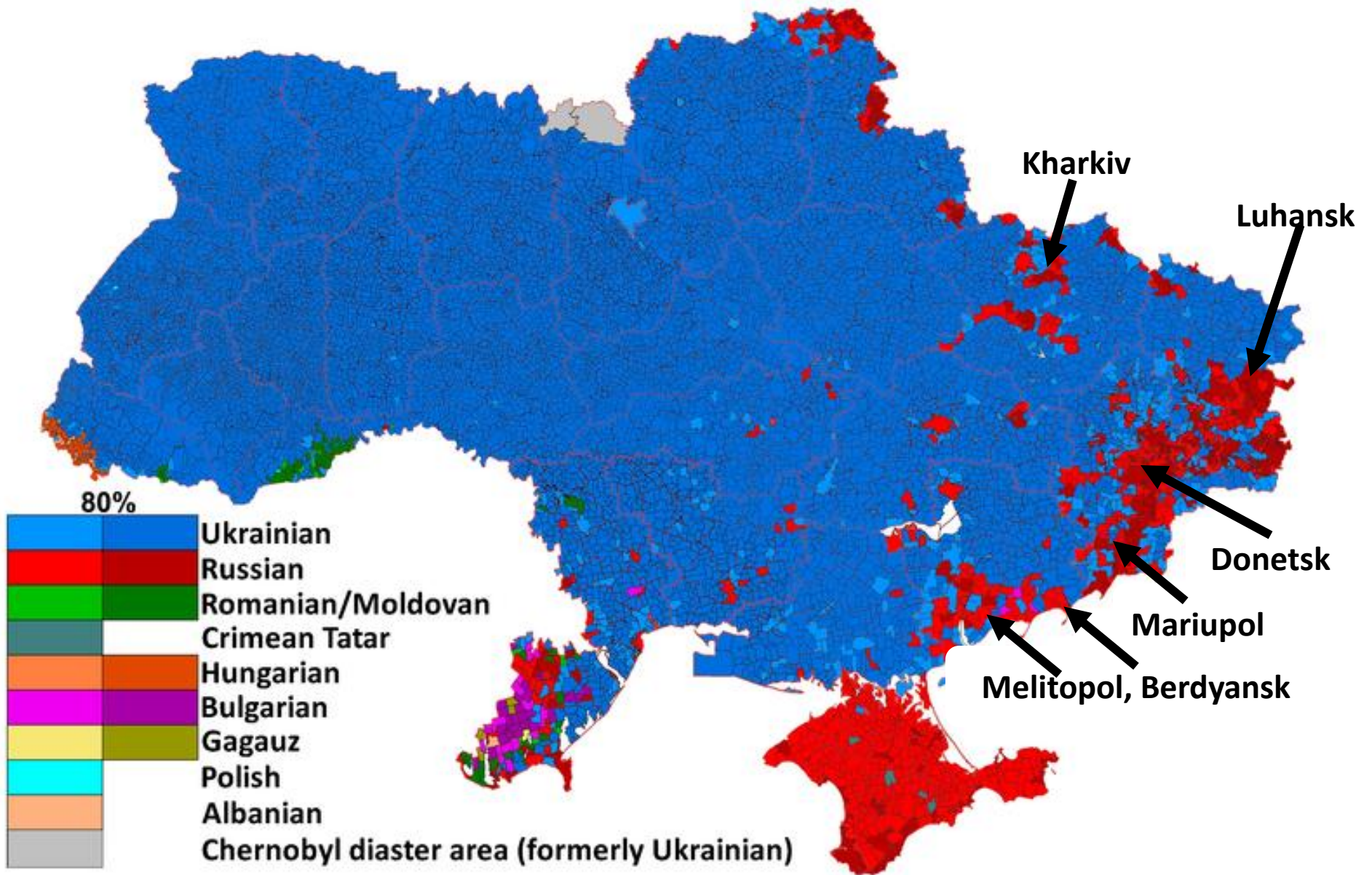


Native Ukrainian speakers (2001)

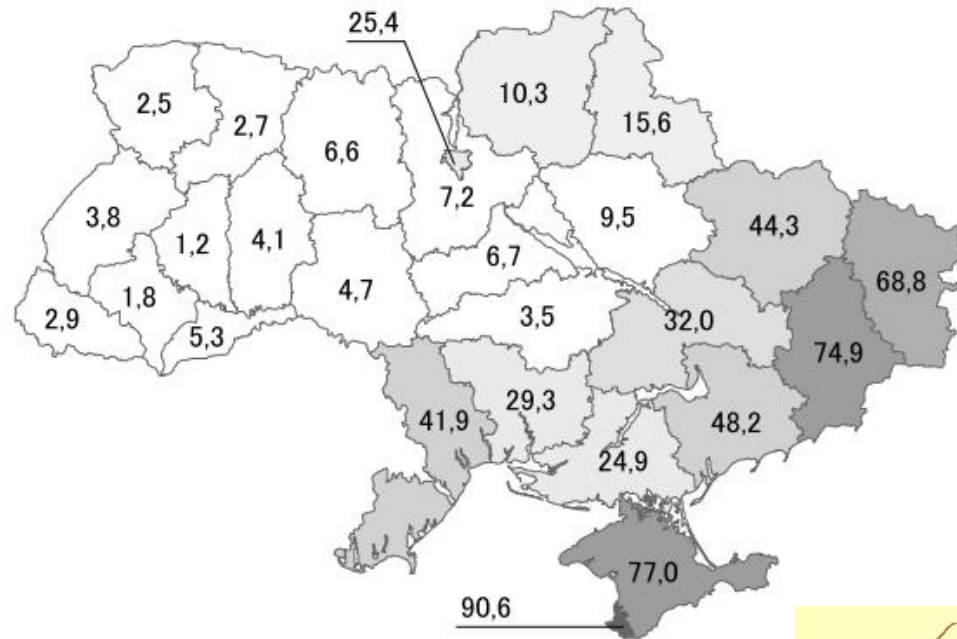




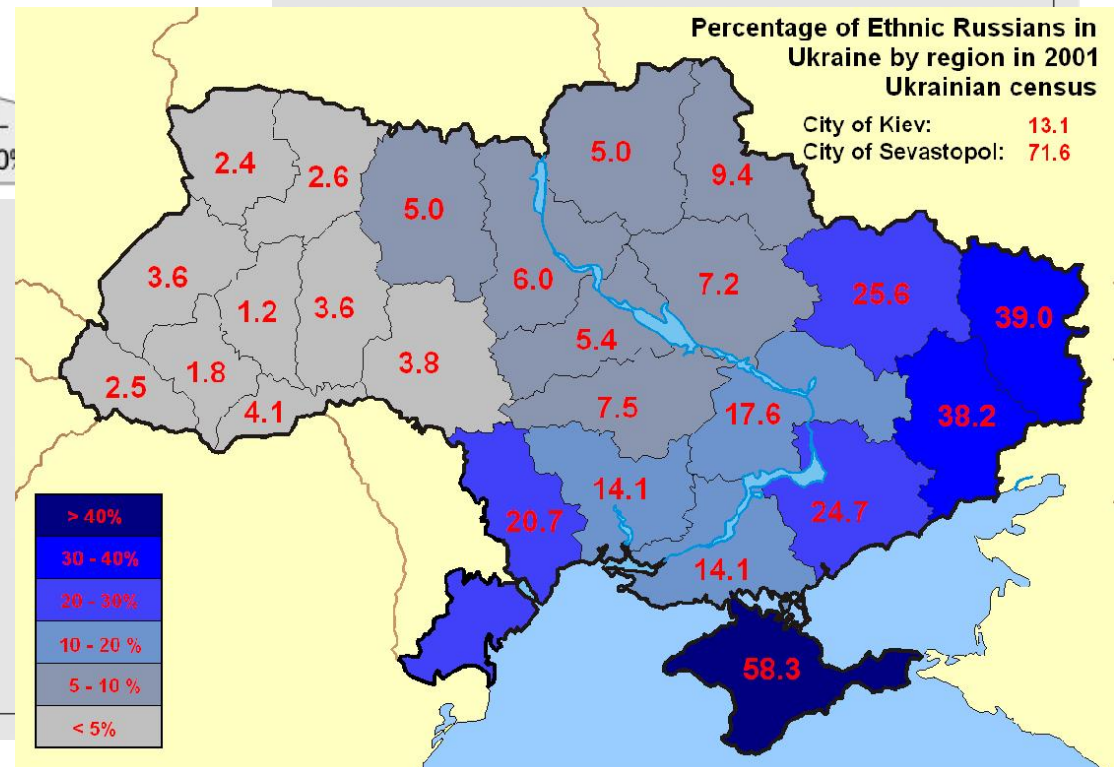
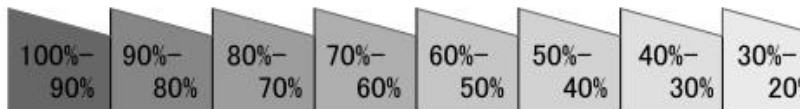
The majority language by city, town, and village councils
Results from the Ukrainian 2001 Census



Native Russian speakers (2001)



**Not all native speakers
of Russian are
“Russians”**



Ethno-linguistic map of Ukraine

This map illustrates the ethno-linguistic distribution across Ukraine. The legend categorizes regions as follows:

- Ethnic Ukrainians:**
 - Mostly Ukrainian-speaking (Red)
 - Predominantly Ukrainian-speaking (Pink)
 - Mostly Russian-speaking (Yellow)
 - Predominantly Russian-speaking (Light Yellow)
 - Rusyns (Carpathian Ukrainians) (Red and White Stripes)
- Ethnic Russians:**
 - Ethnic Russian majority (Brown)
 - Significant ethnic Russian population (Yellow with Brown Diagonal Stripes)
- Other ethnic minorities:**
 - Romanians / Moldovans (Grey)
 - Hungarians (Green)
 - Bulgarians (Purple)

The map shows a clear linguistic divide, with Ukrainian-speaking areas in the west and center, and Russian-speaking areas in the east and south. Ethnic Russians are concentrated in the southeast, while various minorities are found in the western and southern border regions.

- Mostly Ukrainian-speaking
- Predominantly Ukrainian-speaking
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 Ethnic Russian majority
 Significant ethnic Russian population

Romanians / Moldovans
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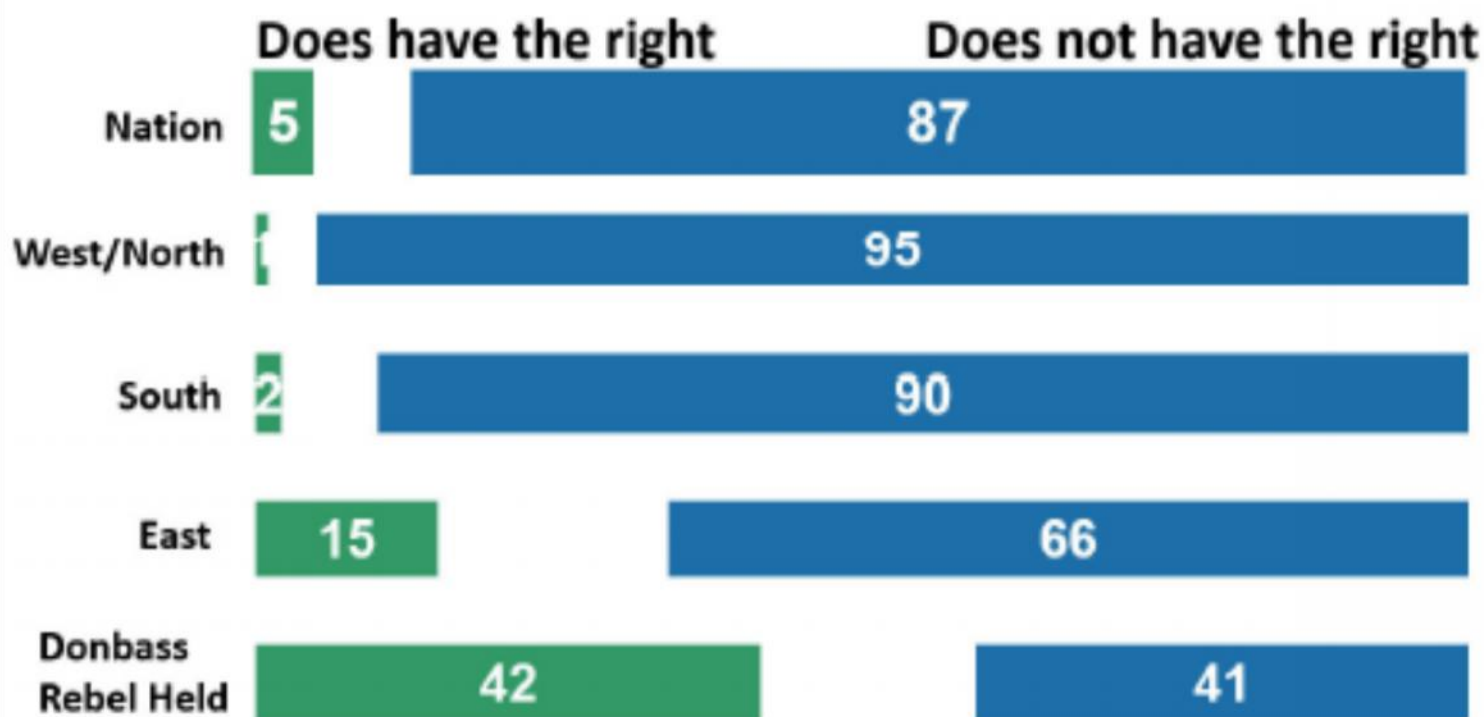
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Maidan self-defense activists shout slogans in front of the Ukrainian parliament building in Kyiv on July 1, 2014.

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Does Russia Have the Right to Intervene to Protect Russian Citizens and Russian Speakers?



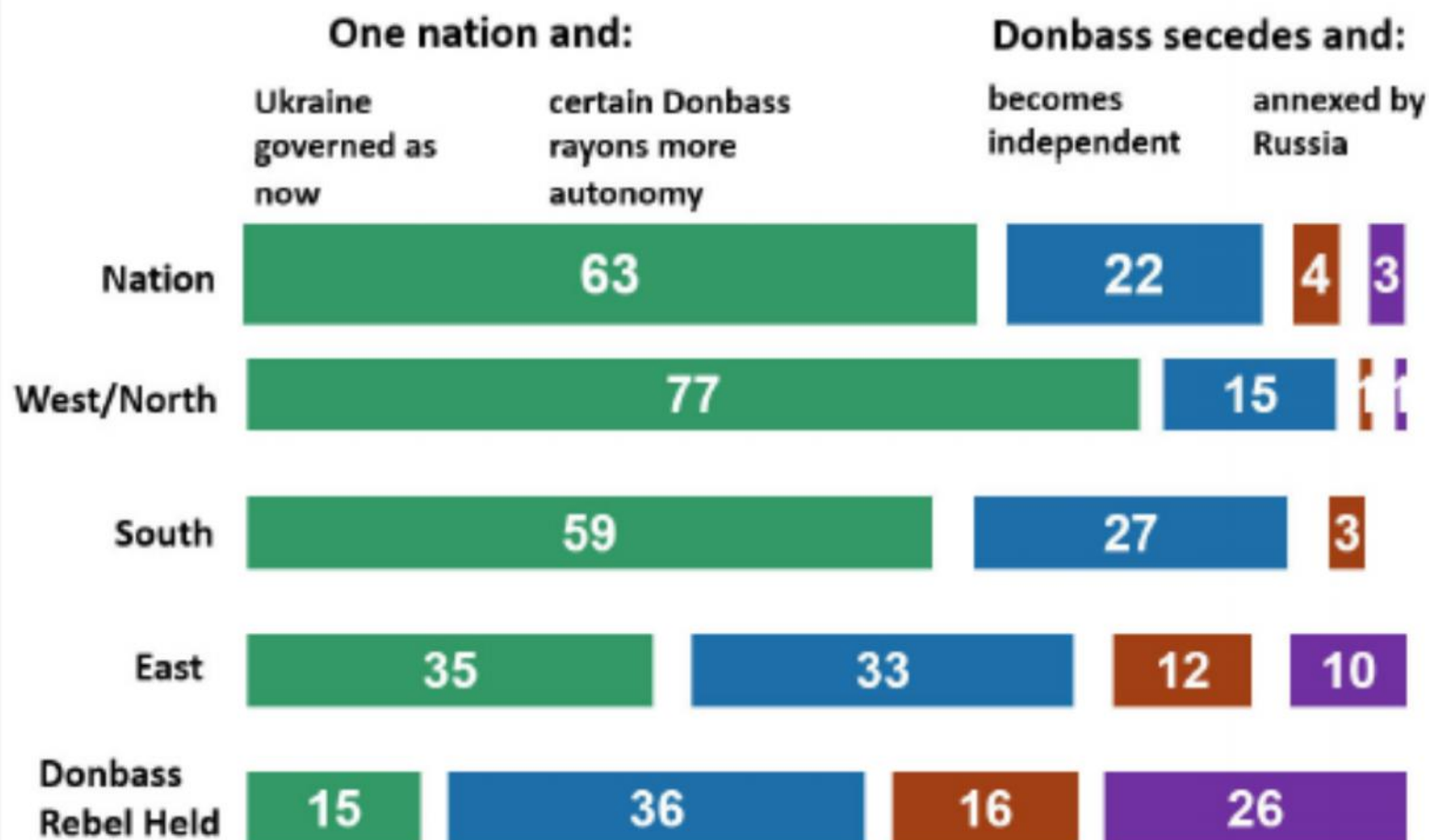
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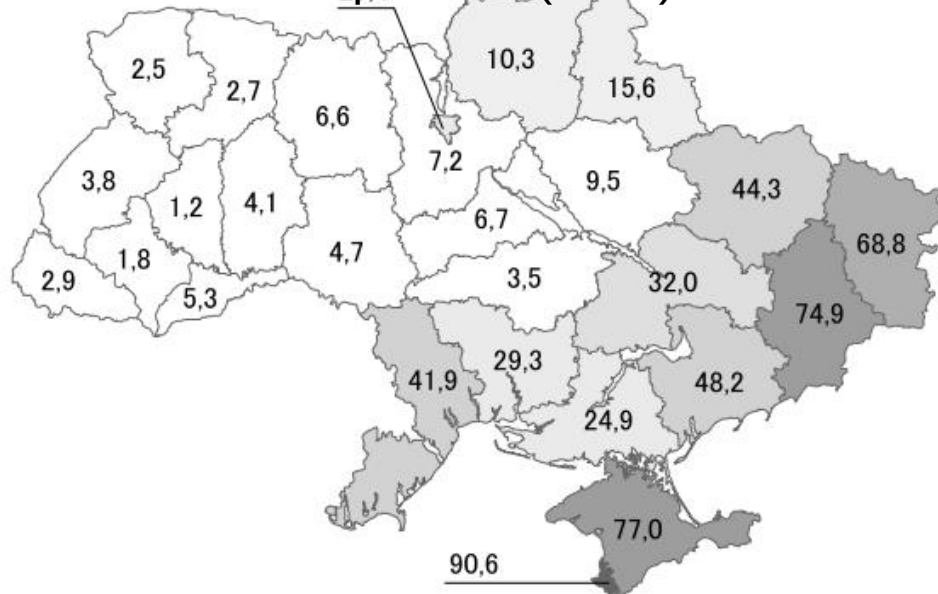
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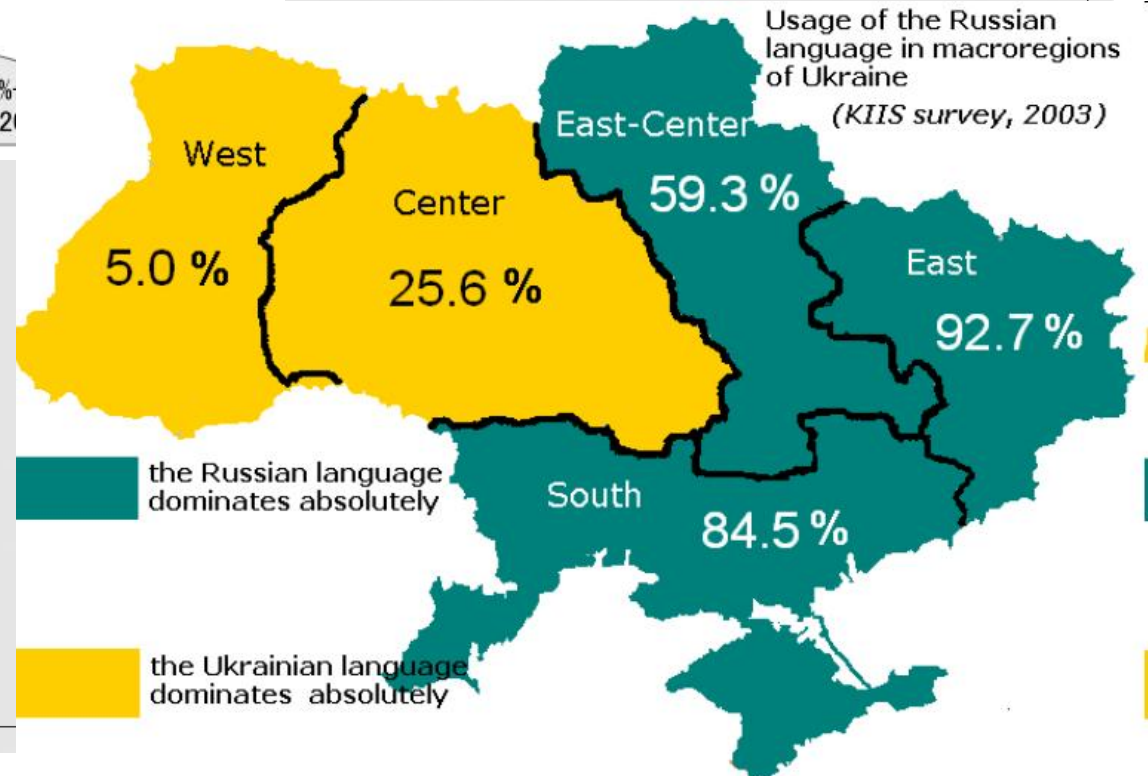
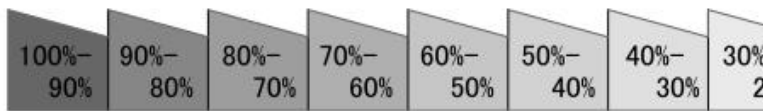


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Native Russian speakers (2001)



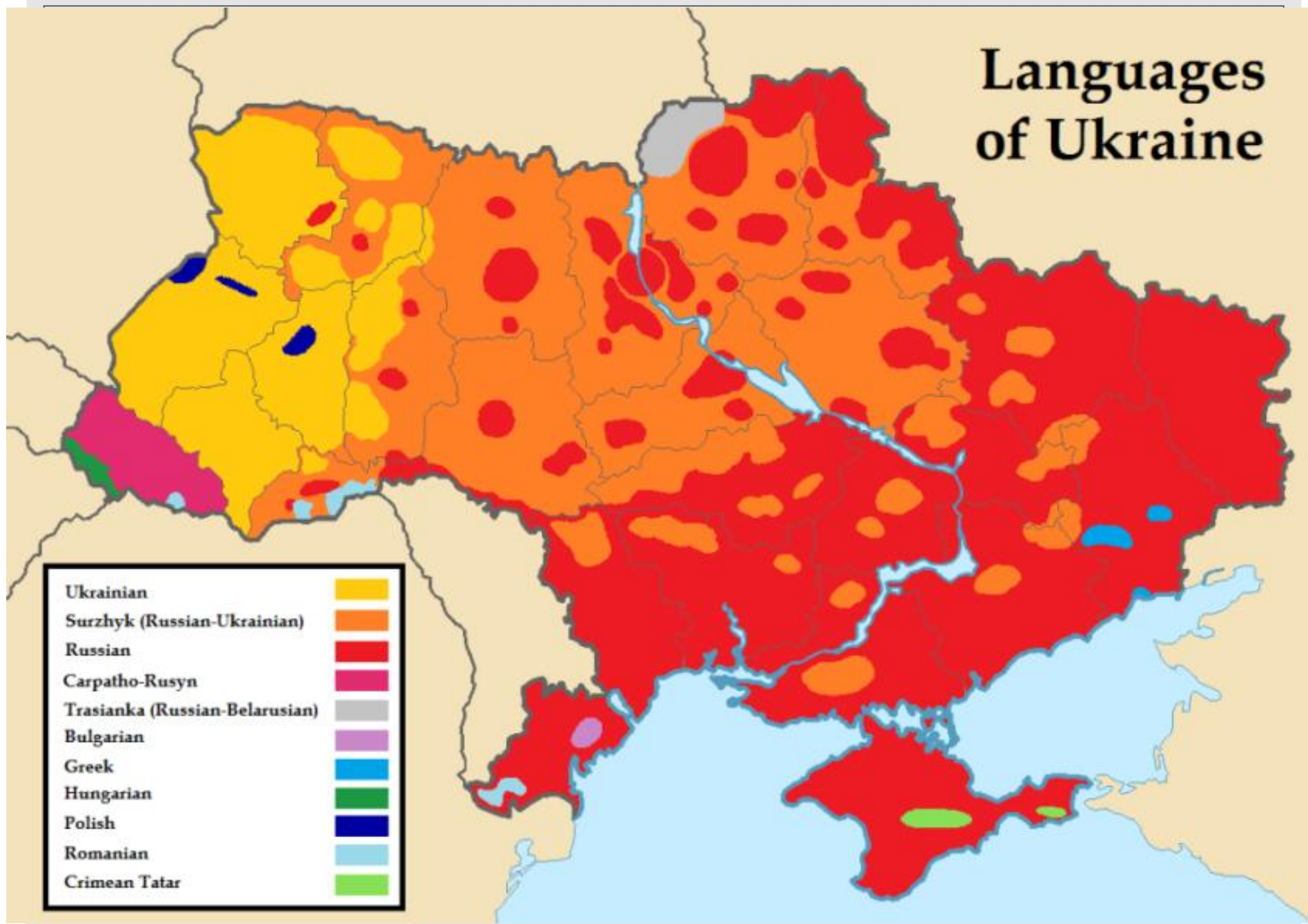
NATIVE SPEAKERS ≠ USERS



How different are Russian and Ukrainian?

- 'I have a sister.'
- Russian:
 - U menja est' sestra. = 'To me is sister.'
- (Eastern) Ukrainian:
 - U mene ye sestra. = 'To me is sister.'
- (Western) Ukrainian:
 - Ja maju sestru. = 'I have sister.'
- Polish:
 - Mam siostrę. = 'I-have sister.'

Languages of Ukraine

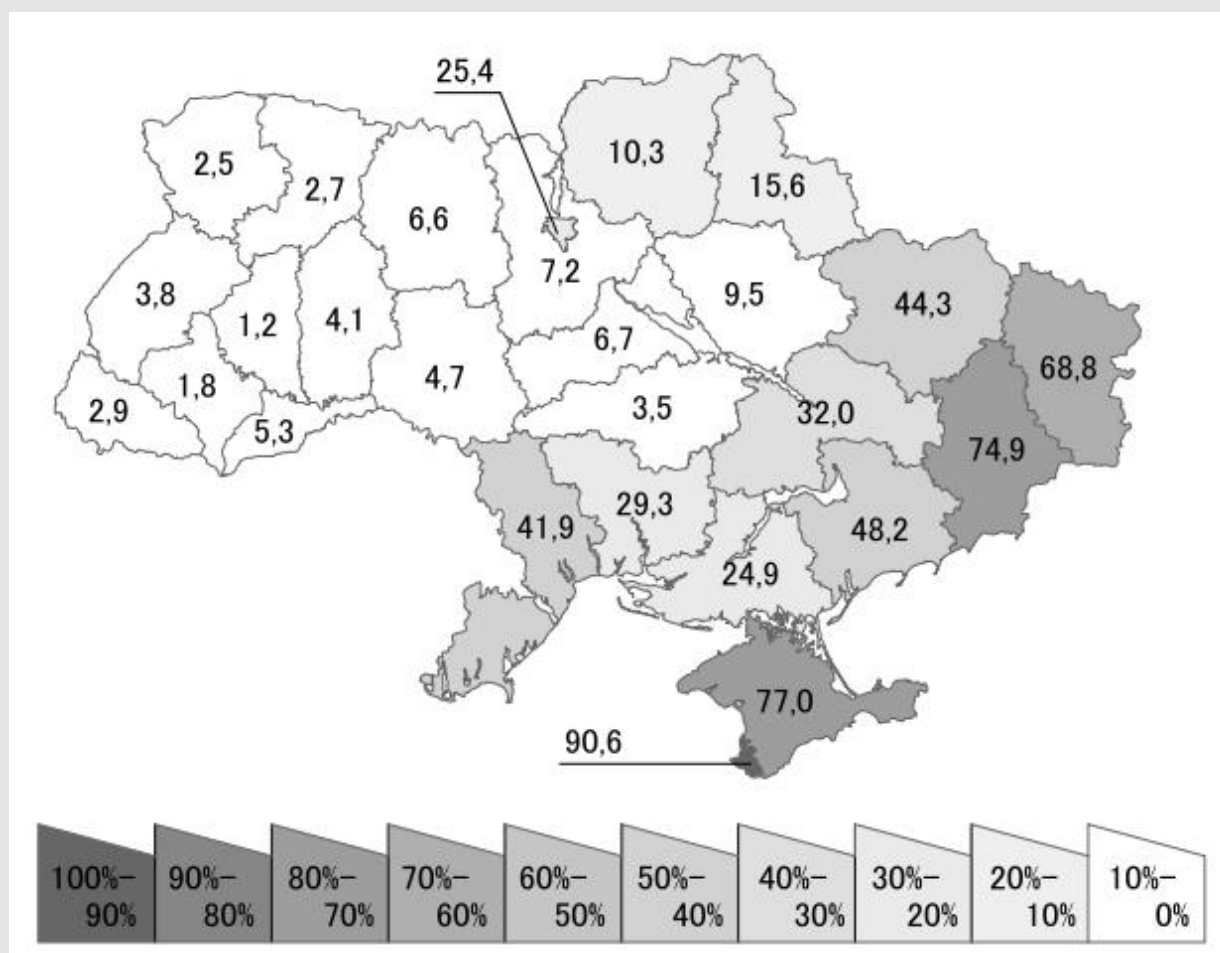




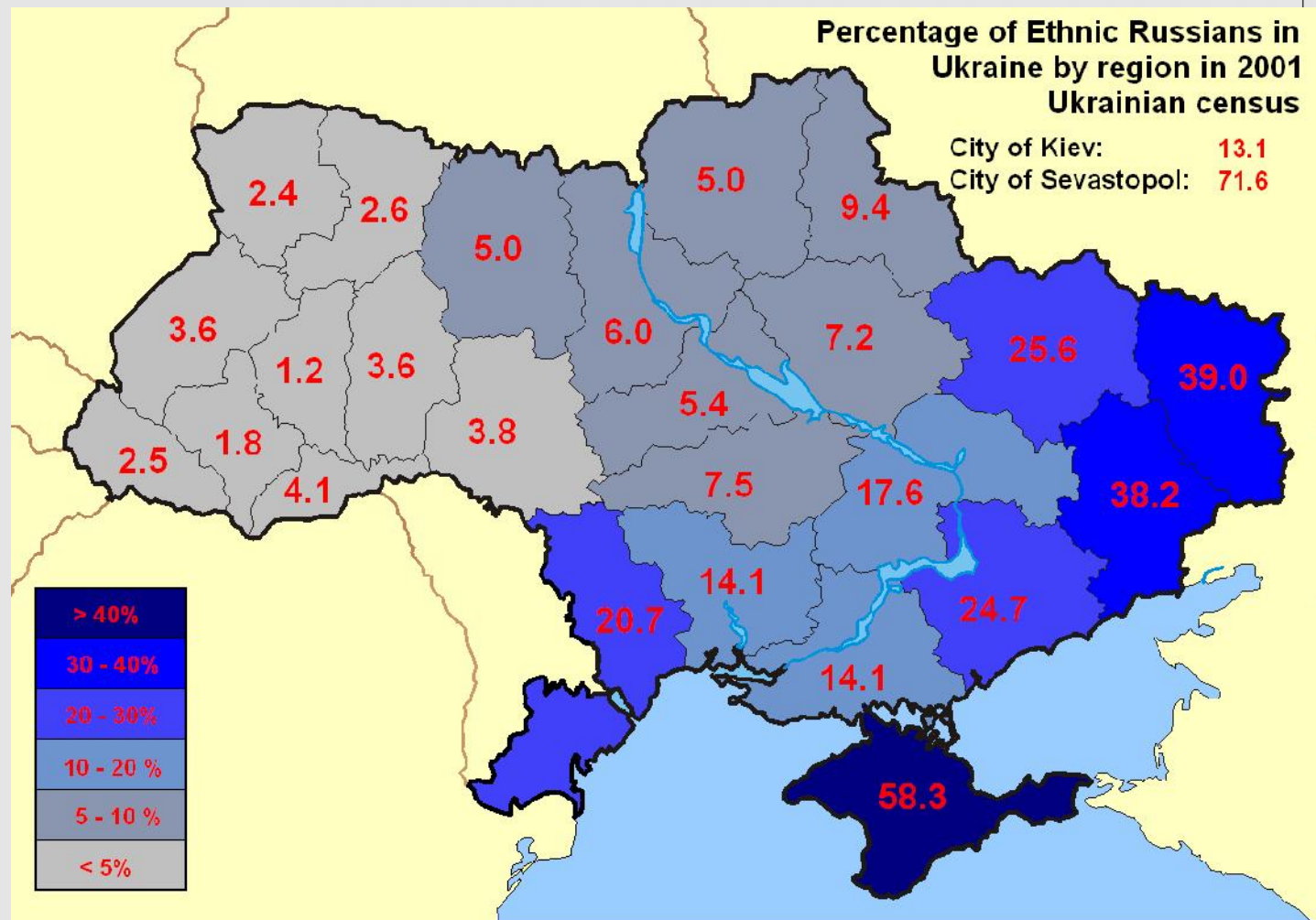
The Orange Sky 2006



Crimea is the most Russian-speaking area (Native Russian speakers)



... and also the most ethnically Russian area



Yet not the most pro-Russian voting (Legislative election, 2012)

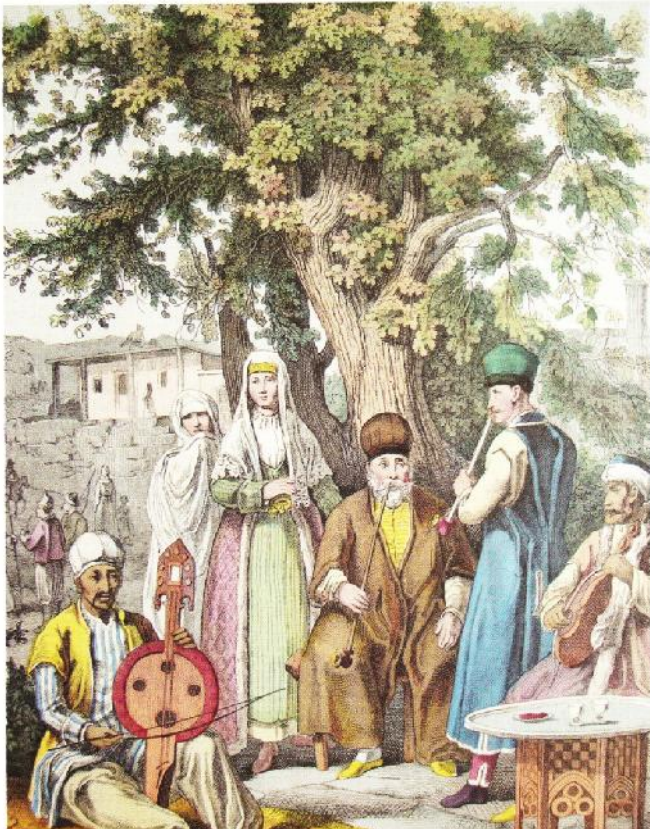




Was Crimea
“always Russian”?



Crimean Khanate, after 1441



Crimean Tatars. 19th-century illustration.

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Cossacks

1676 CE



Crimea “conquered” from Ottomans (1783)



Catherine the Great of Russia
reigned 1762-1796

When did Crimea become Russian?

- 1783 (taken over under Catherine the Great)
- 1856 (returned after Crimean war, Paris treaty)
- 1921 (after the Russian Civil War)
- 1944 (after the Nazi occupation, 1941-1944)
 - 1954 (given to Ukraine, still under USSR, until 1991, part of Ukraine in 1991-2014)
- 2014

Crimean Referendum, March 16, 2014

“Yes, join Russia”



Ставлення світу до "референдуму" в Криму 17.03.2014
How the world reacted to Crimea "referendum" 00:30

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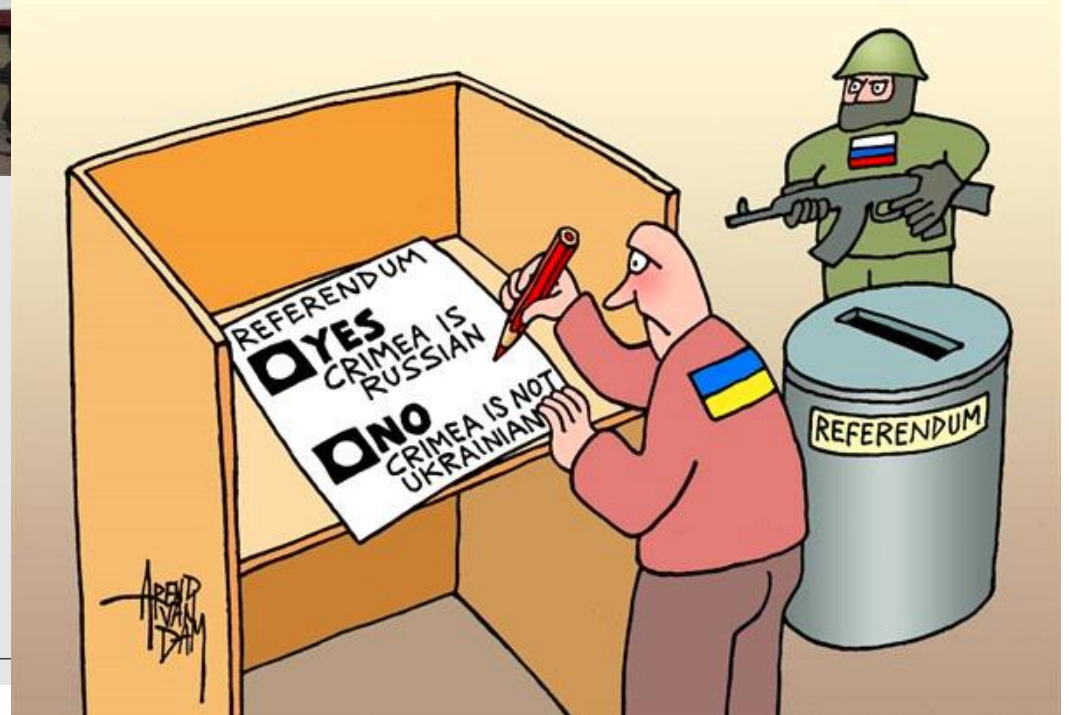
“The expression of will by the Crimean people”?



“On March 16th we choose”



<http://en.ria.ru/world/20140314/188389579/Observers-from-21-Countries-to-Attend-Crimean-Referendum.html>



Ballot

1) Are you for the reunion of Crimea with Russia as a subject of the Russian Federation?

2) Are you for the restoring in effect the **1992 Constitution of the Crimean Republic** and the status of Crimea as part of Ukraine?

ABOLISHED in March 1995

No “leave status quo” option!

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1) Ви за воз'єднання Криму з Росією на правах суб'єкта Російської Федерації?

1) Русие Федерациону субъекти акъларында Кырым Русиеге кьошулмасына размысыңыз?

2) Вы за восстановление действия Конституции Республики Крым 1992 года и за статус Крыма как части Украины?

2) Ви за відновлення дії Конституції Республіки Крим 1992 року і за статус Криму як частини України?

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Crimean Tatar = a Turkic language



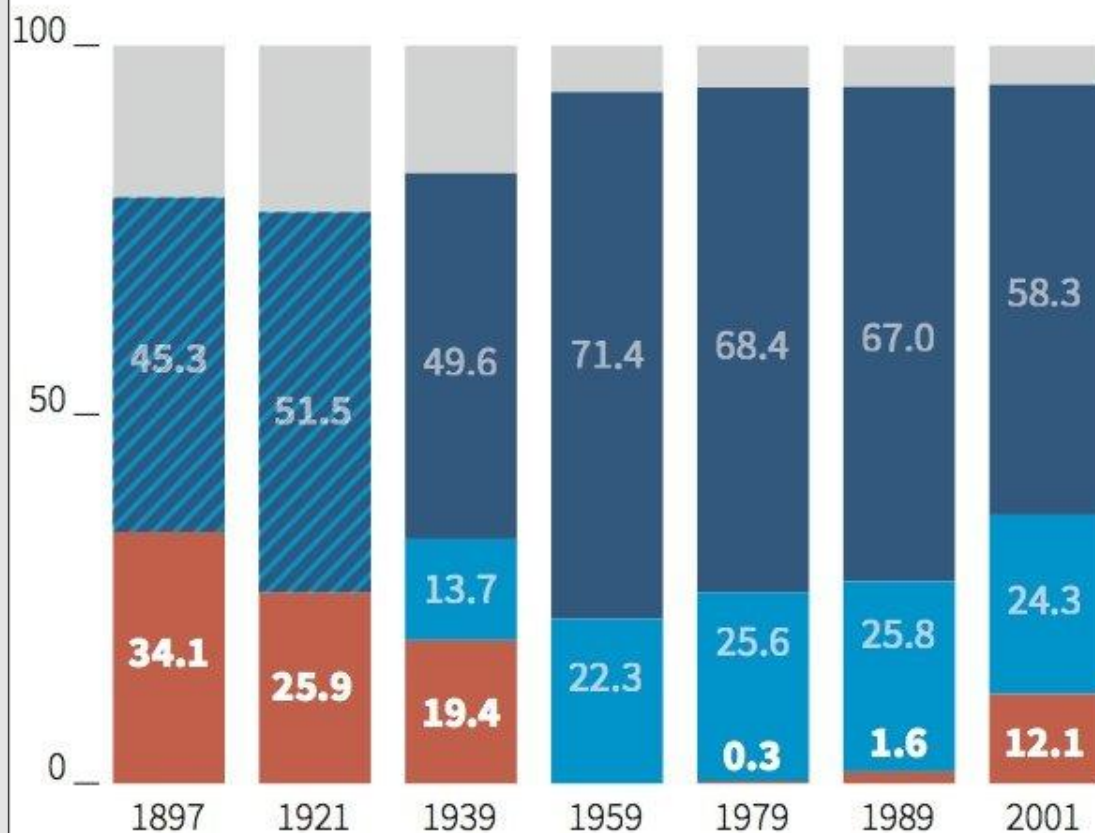
Crimean population

A look at the historical composition of Crimea's population.

Major populations

in percent

Russian Tatar
Ukrainian Others



Sources: Census data (Simferopol 1989) via "Crimea", by Maria Drohobycky; 1959 Soviet Census; State Statistics Committee of Ukraine, 2001 census

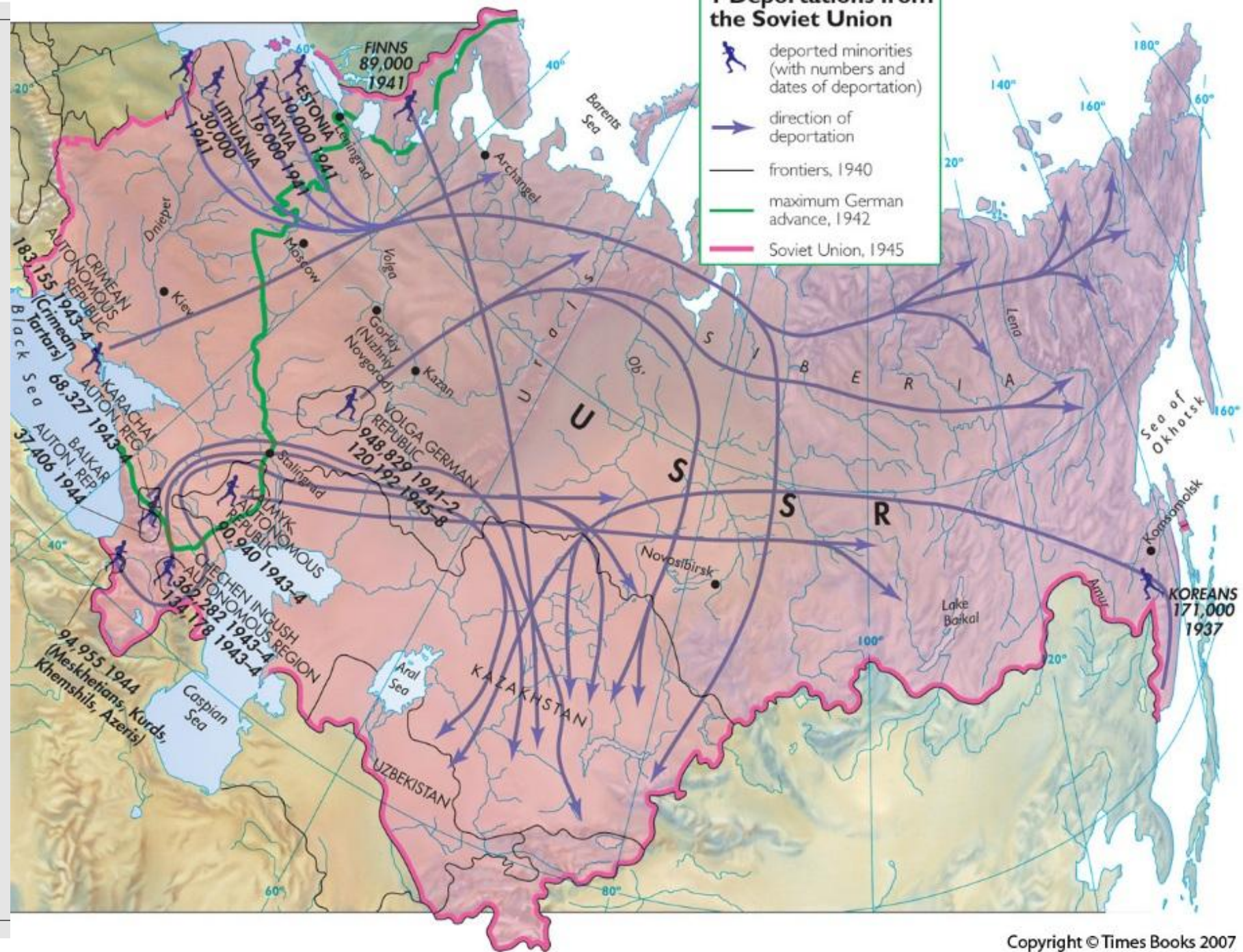
Crimean
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Deportation of Crimean Tatars by the Soviets (5/18/44)

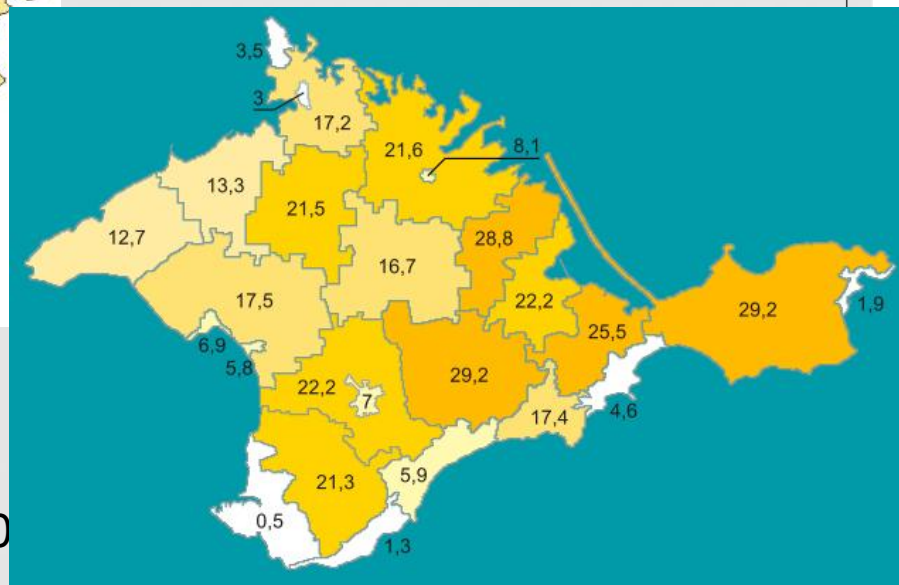
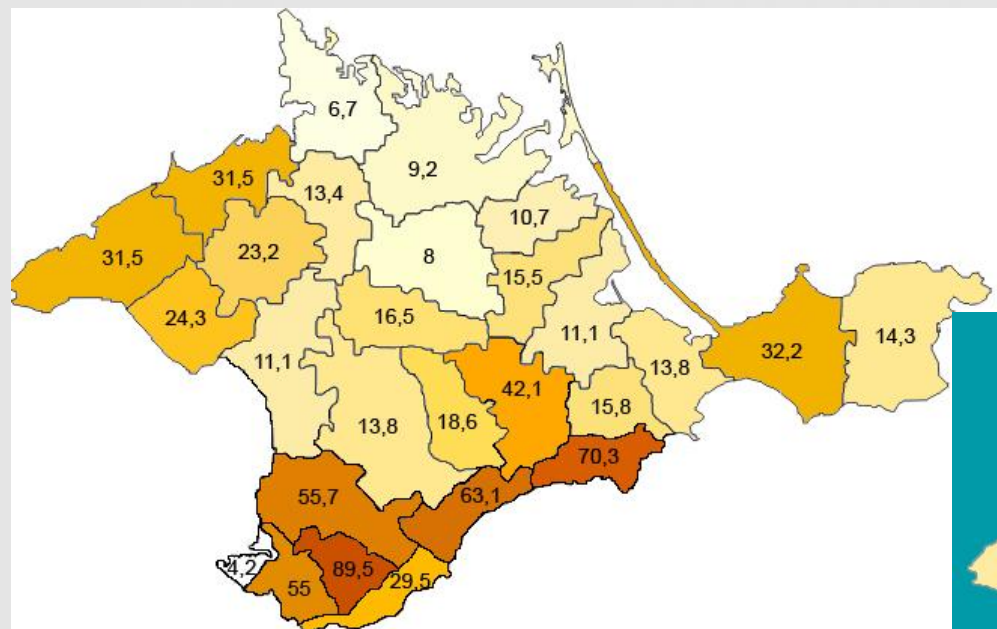


I Deportations from the Soviet Union

- deported minorities (with numbers and dates of deportation)
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- frontiers, 1940
- maximum German advance, 1942
- Soviet Union, 1945

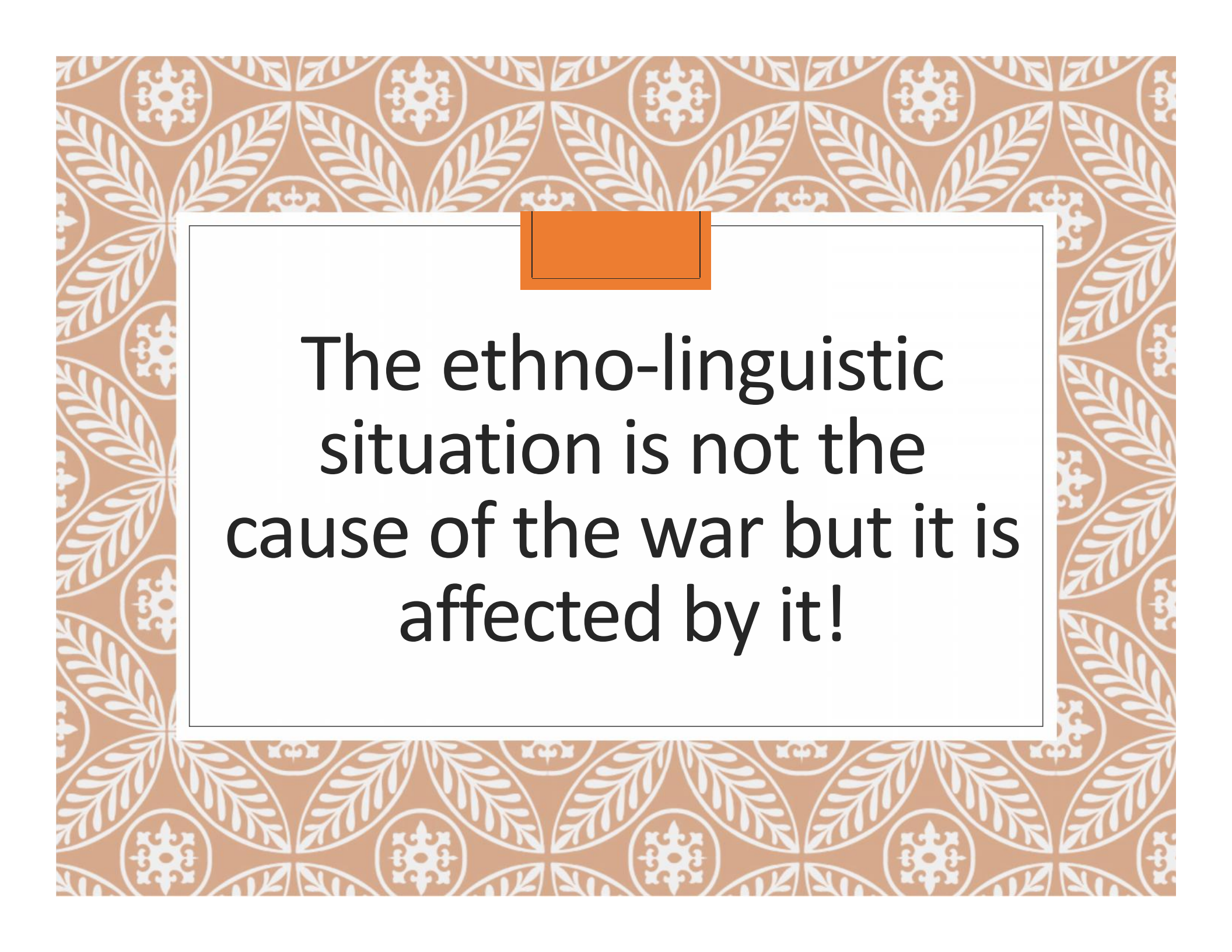


Crimean Tatar: 1939 vs. 2001



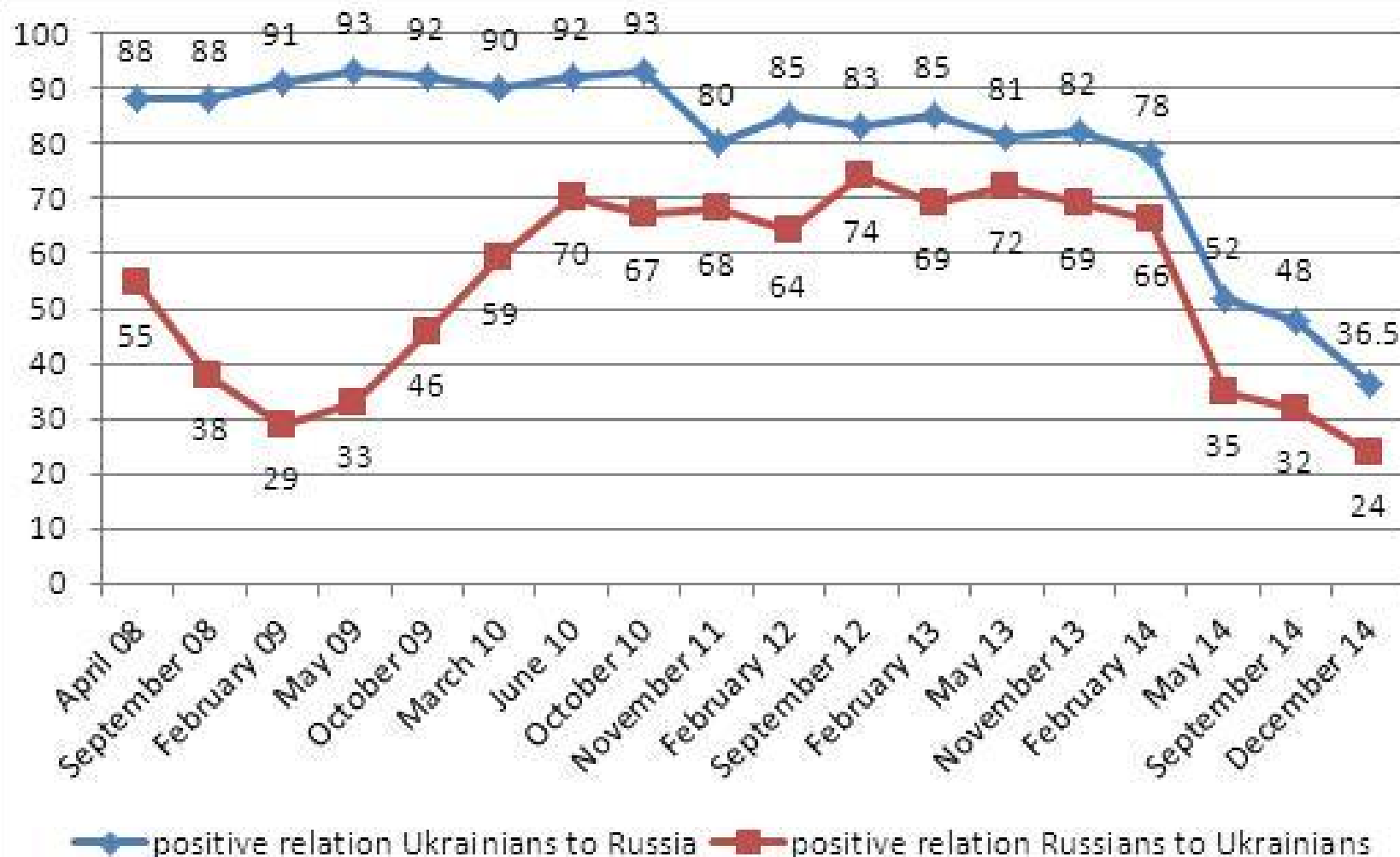
May 1944: deportation to Central Asia
1967: formal rehabilitation
1991: allowed to return (more than 250,000 returned to Crimea, where they constitute about 13% of the population)

Central Asia, mainly in Uzbekistan: about 150,000

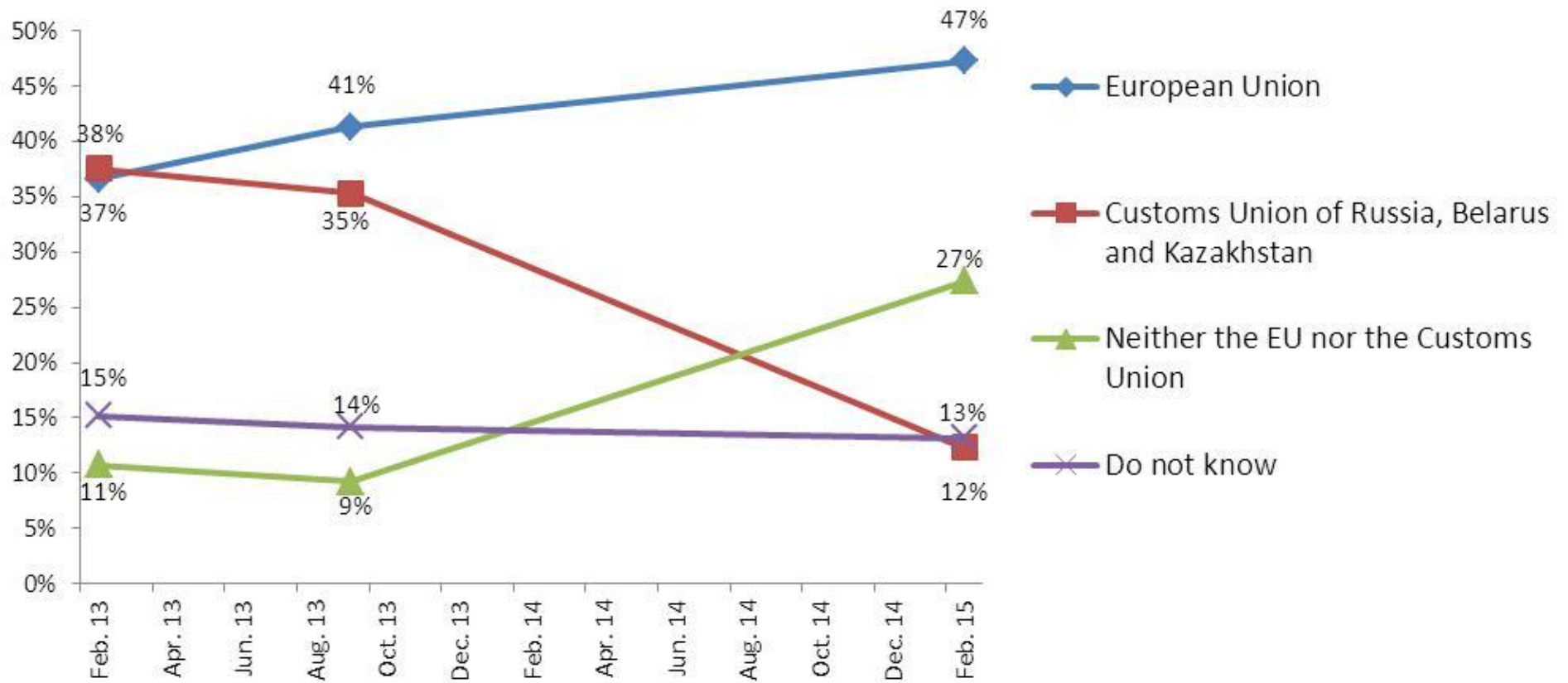


The ethno-linguistic
situation is not the
cause of the war but it is
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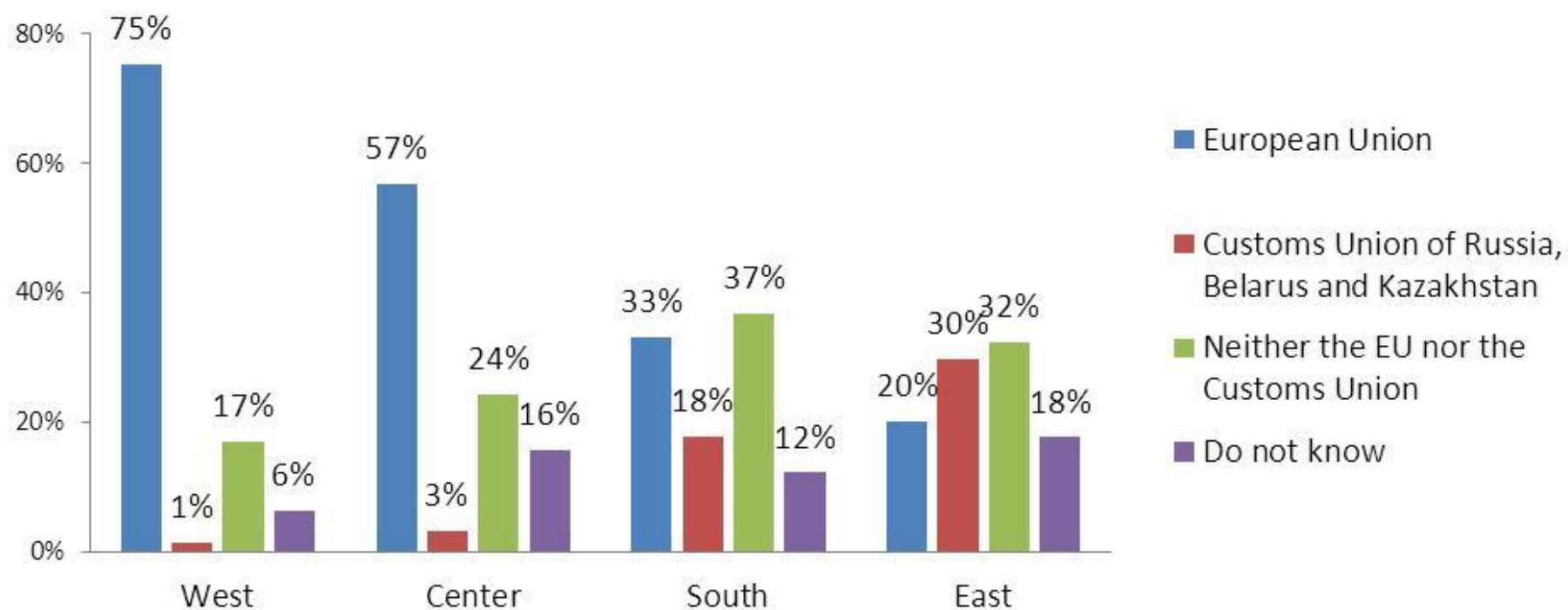
Russians and Ukrainians now view each other more negatively



What path of integration should Ukraine choose? (2013-2015)

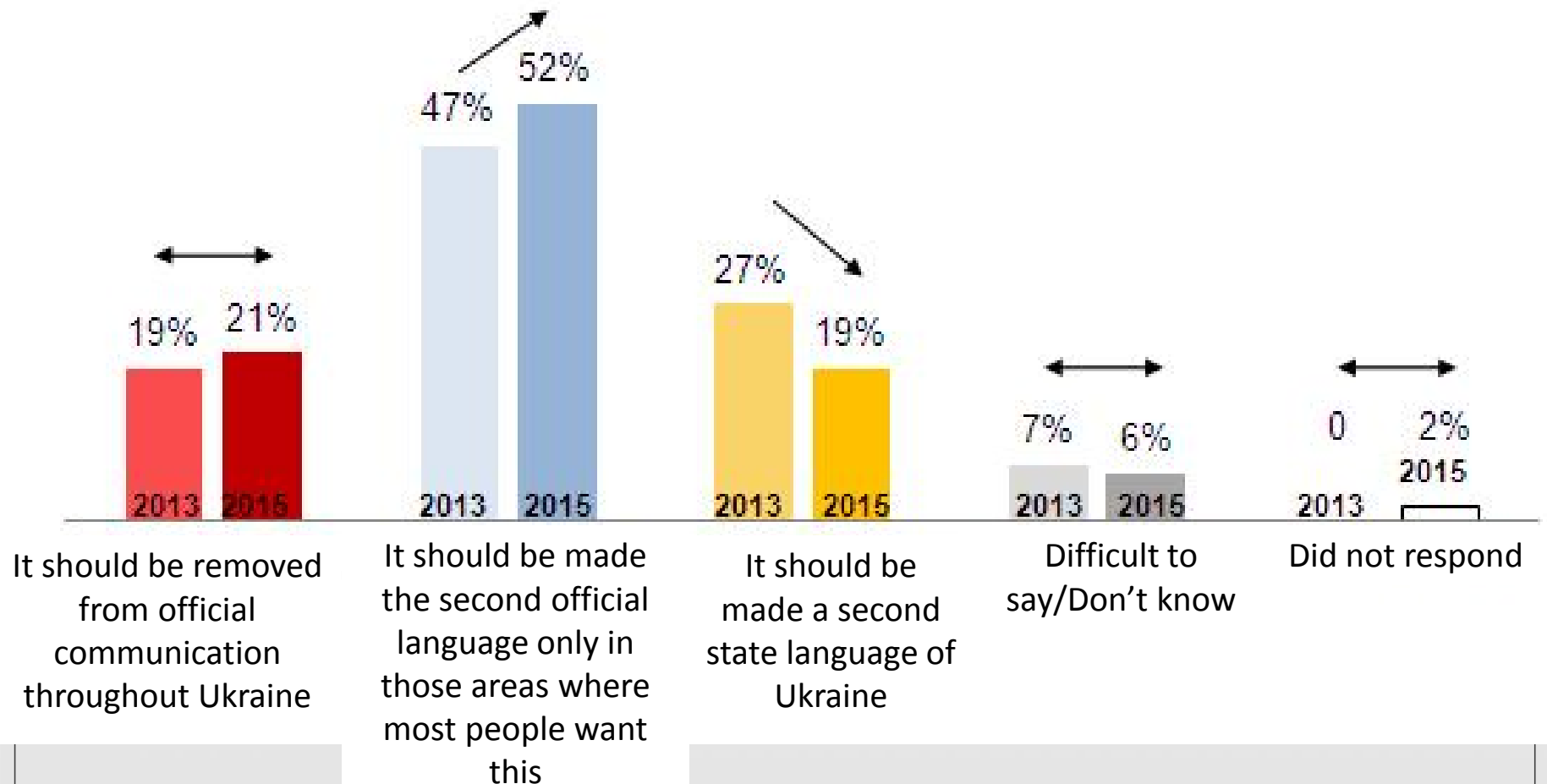


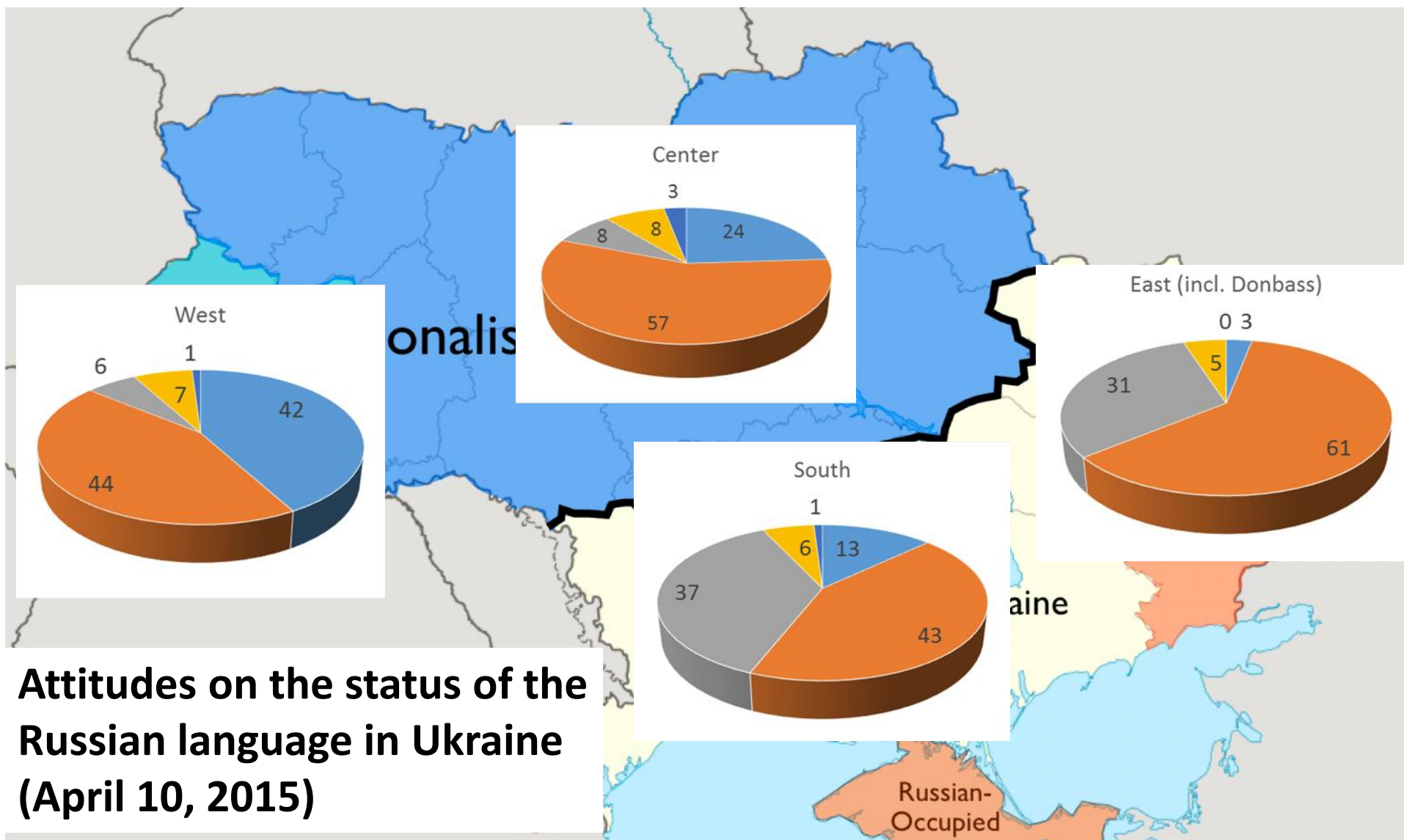
What path of integration should Ukraine choose - by regions (February 2015)



Dynamics of attitudes on the status of the Russian language in Ukraine, 2013-2015

What do you think should be the state policy concerning the Russian language in Ukraine?



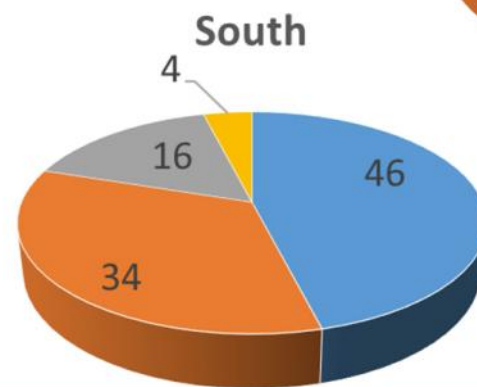
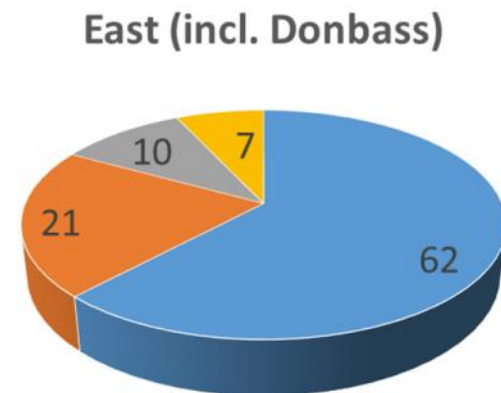
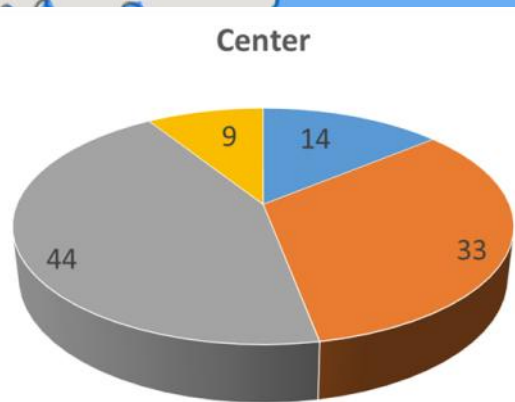
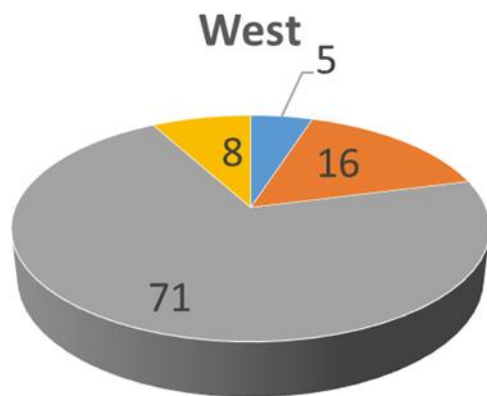


- It should be removed from official communication throughout Ukraine
- It should be made the second official language only in those areas where most people want this
- It should be made a second state language of Ukraine
- Difficult to say/Don't know
- No answer

<http://www.kiis.com.ua/?lang=eng&cat=reports&id=517&page=1>

What do you think should be state policy on teaching Russian language in Ukrainian schools? (April 10, 2015)





**What do you think should be state policy on teaching Russian language in Ukrainian schools?
(April 10, 2015)**

- Russian language should be taught to the same extent as the Ukrainian language
- Russian language should be taught to a lesser extent than the Ukrainian language, but to a larger extent than foreign language
- Russian language should be taught not to a greater extent than other foreign language
- Difficult to say/Don't know/No answer



What is really at the
root of the war?



Mikhail Khodorkovsky's lecture at Stanford (4/13/20015)

Russia is paying for the loss of freedom inside the country and for the destruction of democratic institutions with the lives of soldiers and volunteers, who are dying in the Ukraine. What's the reason for the war?

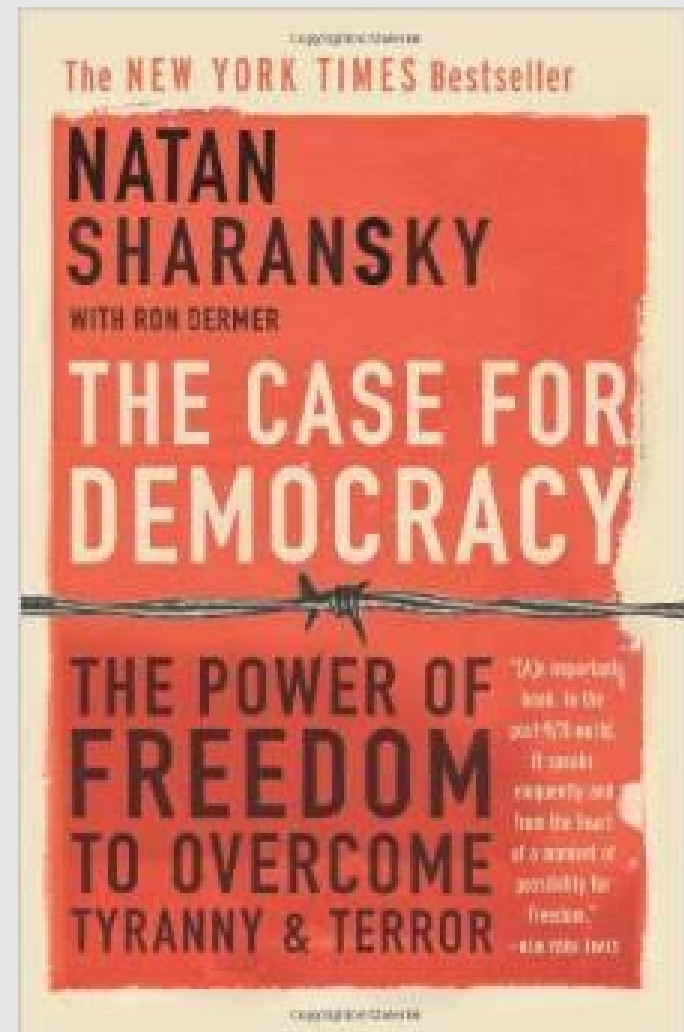
Putin has realized that the state capitalism that he's created can no longer ensure growth. **States of the type he's created have always been created only for war.** And such a war had to be started in order to justify the existence of the current system, this war had to be started.

And besides, the internal enemy, as represented by independent business, had already been destroyed. So in order to rally the citizenry around the kleptocracy, an external enemy was needed.

<http://khodorkovsky.ru/mbh/statements/stanford/>

Natan Sharansky: Societies of Freedom vs. Societies of Fear

Only nations that respect their citizens
will also respect their neighbors.





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“But Crimea is ours”



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“View” (Internet news site “for busy business people”)

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<http://www.vz.ru/world/2015/4/2/596332.html>

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Российские конструкторы сделали то, что еще не удавалось никому в мире
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