Research on the current state and needs of businesses in Ukraine

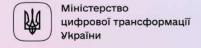
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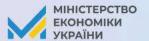




















Technical information and methodological notes

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The research was carried out within the framework of <u>the Initiative</u> for economic recovery, business development and export of Ukraine.

<u>Methodology and analytics:</u> Advanter Group, advanter.ua <u>Method:</u> online survey of business owners and CEOs. <u>Survey periods and sample size:</u>

Survey period: 09.09 - 19.09.2022 p. A total of **863** respondents took part in the survey.

The entrepreneurs interviewed represent all regions of Ukraine and various industries (slide 104 –passport block).

An analysis was carried out on some issues in the following aspects:

- macro regions
- industries
- · size of business (pre-war)
- data from <u>previous waves of business research</u> (Advanter) and <u>the Initiative for economic recovery</u> (CID, EEPO, Diia.Business)

Generalizations are made based on the State Statistics Service data for 2020 and 2021.

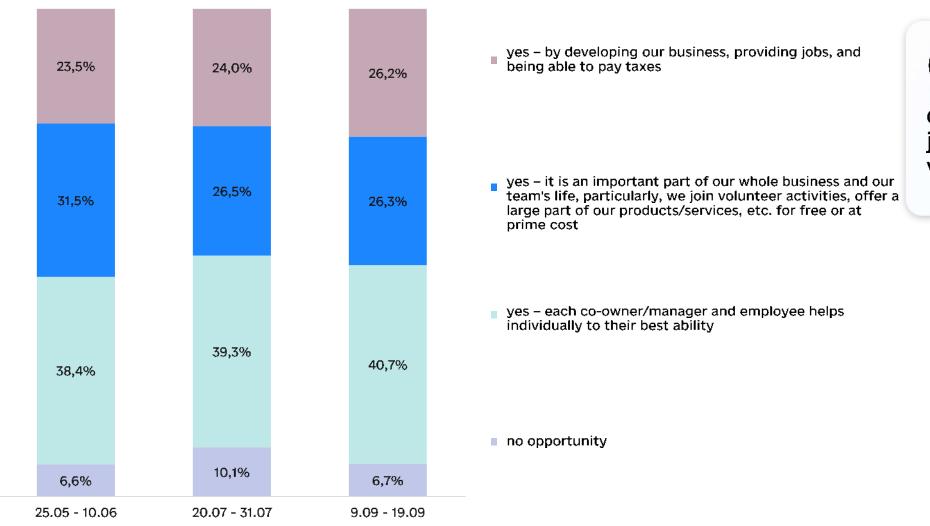
The Business Activity Index UBI has been calculated since 2020. The Index is unified for manufacturing and service businesses.

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Main results

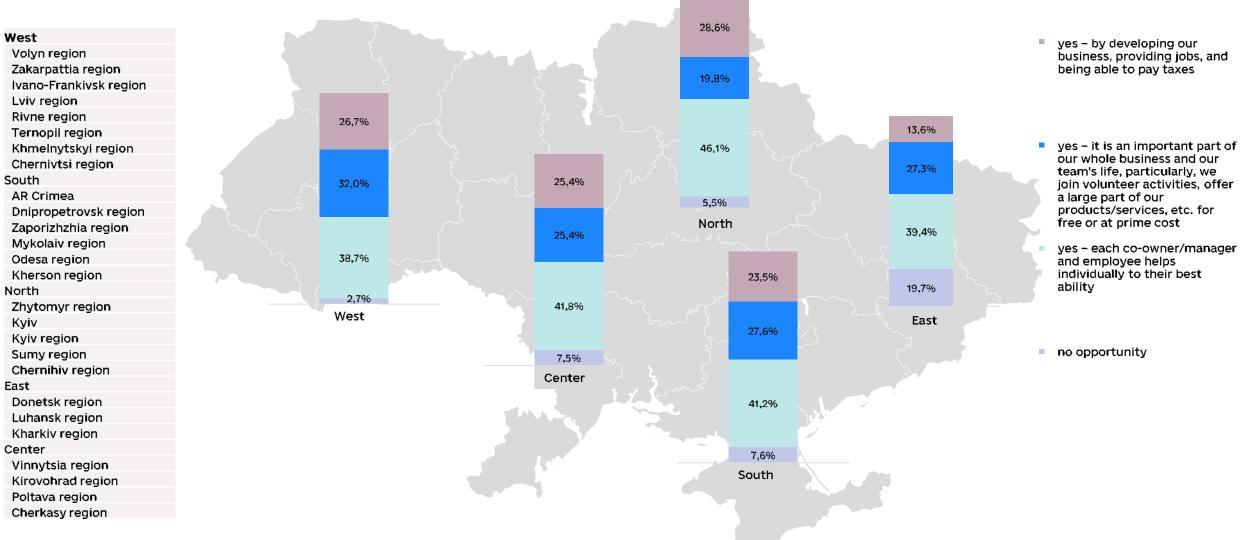
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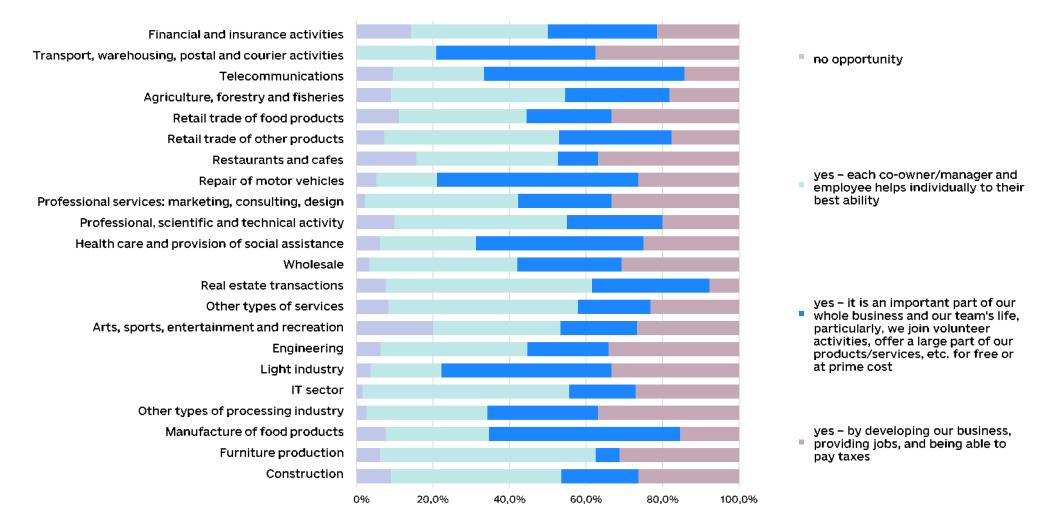
67.1%

of businesses joined the volunteer activity

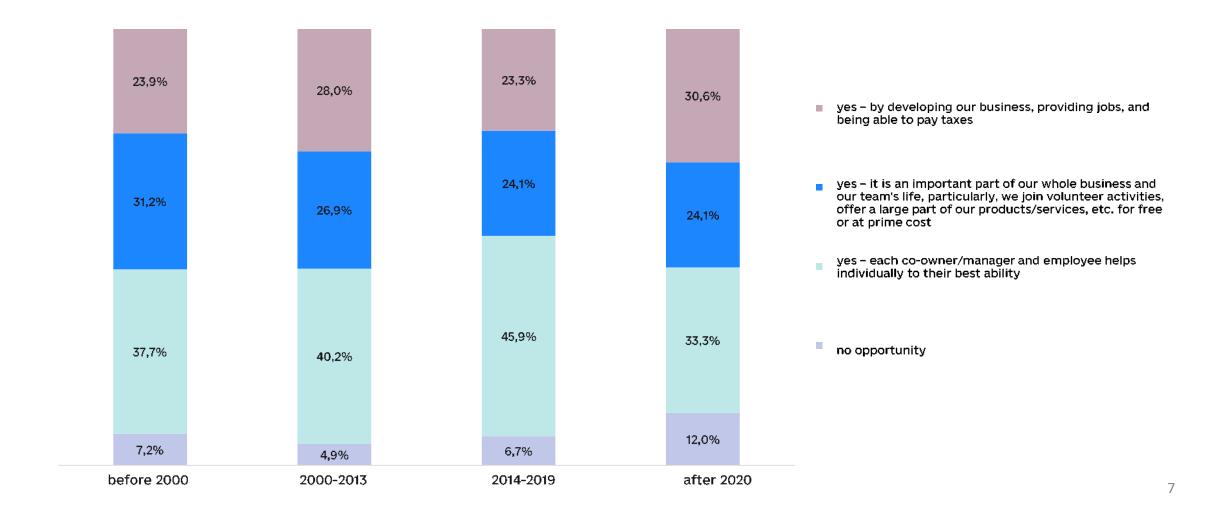
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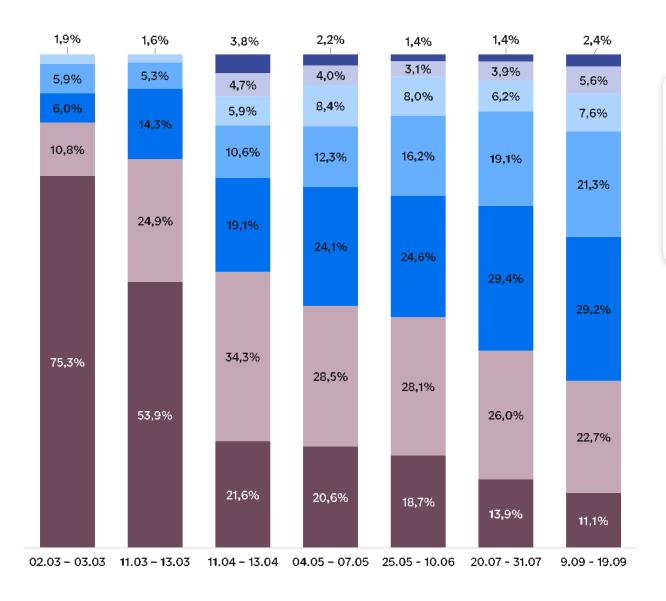
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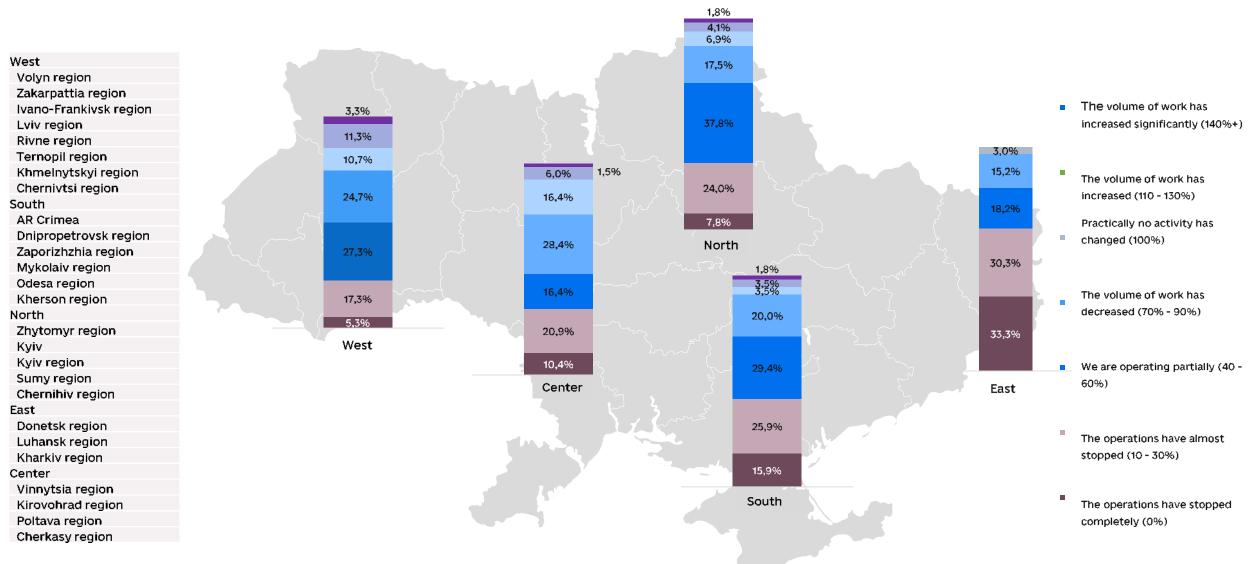
33.8%

enterprises are stopped or almost stopped 15.6%

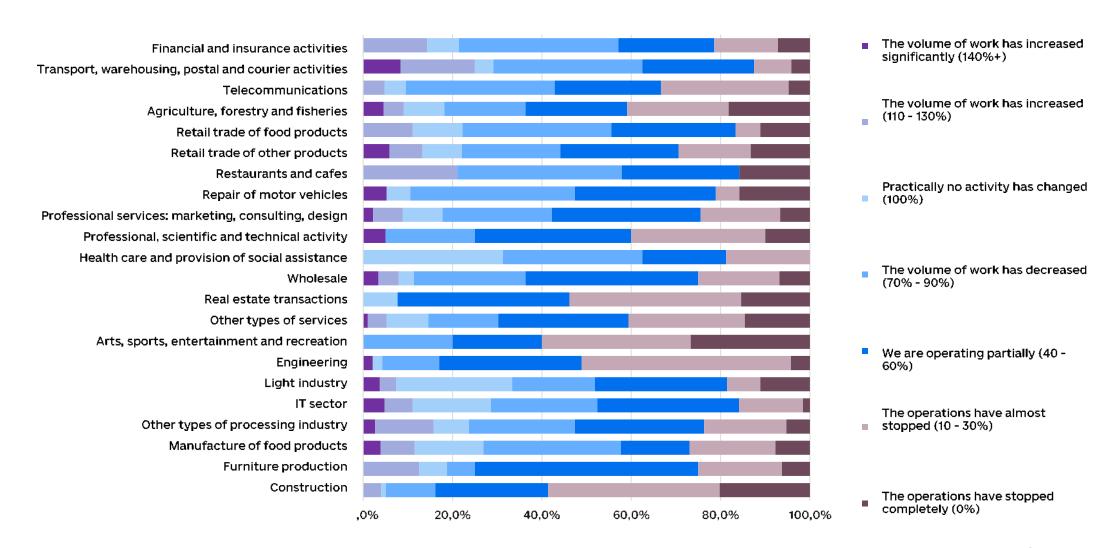
did not change or increased the scope of work compared to 24.02

- The volume of work has increased significantly (140%+)
- The volume of work has increased (110 130%)
- Practically no activity has changed (100%)
- The volume of work has decreased (70% 90%)
- We are operating partially (40 60%)
- The operations have almost stopped (10 30%)
- The operations have stopped completely (0%)

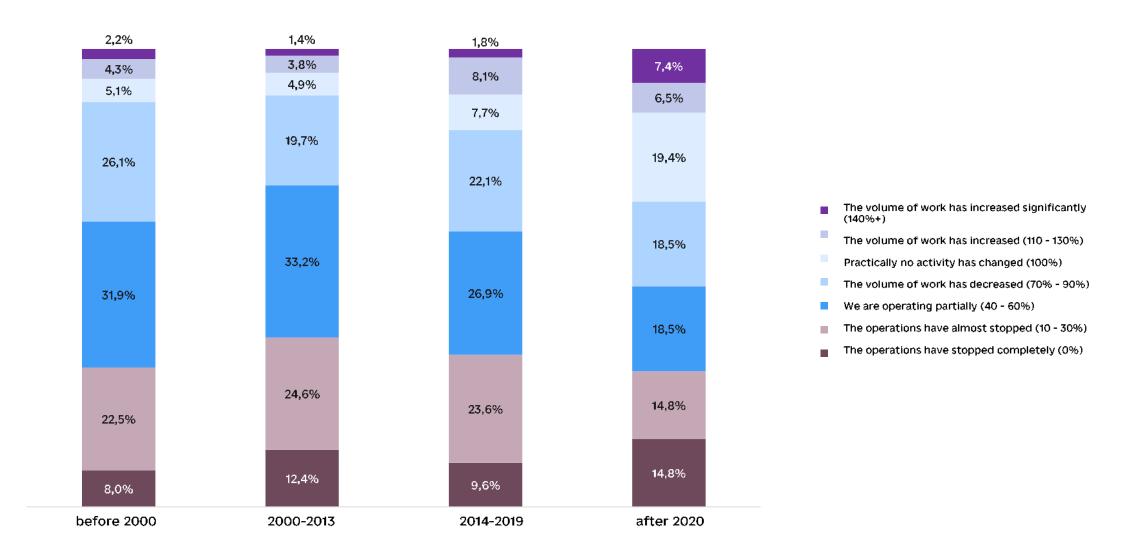
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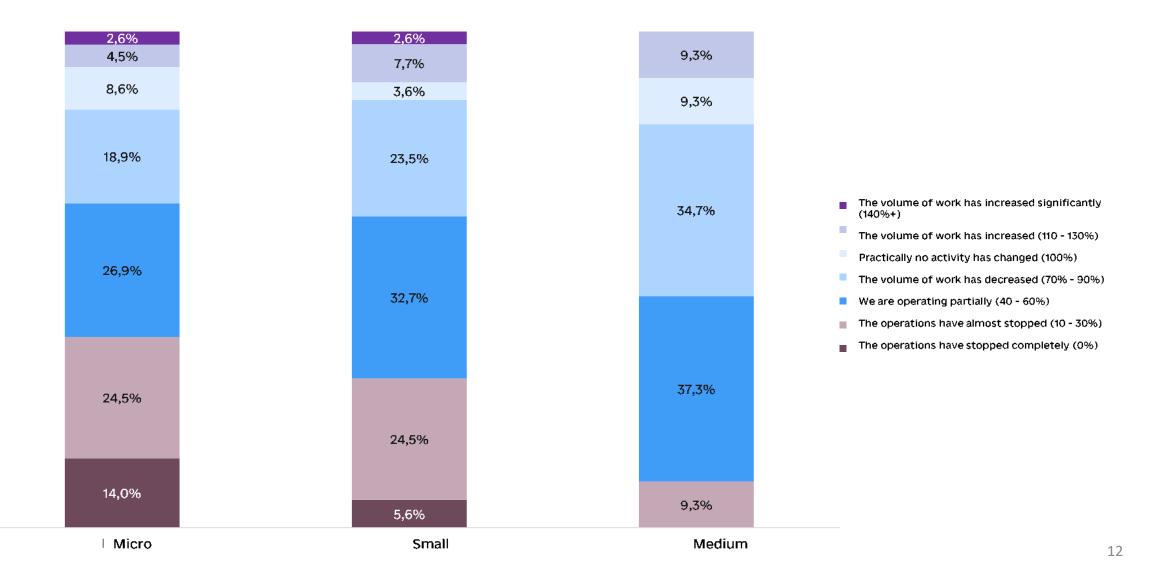
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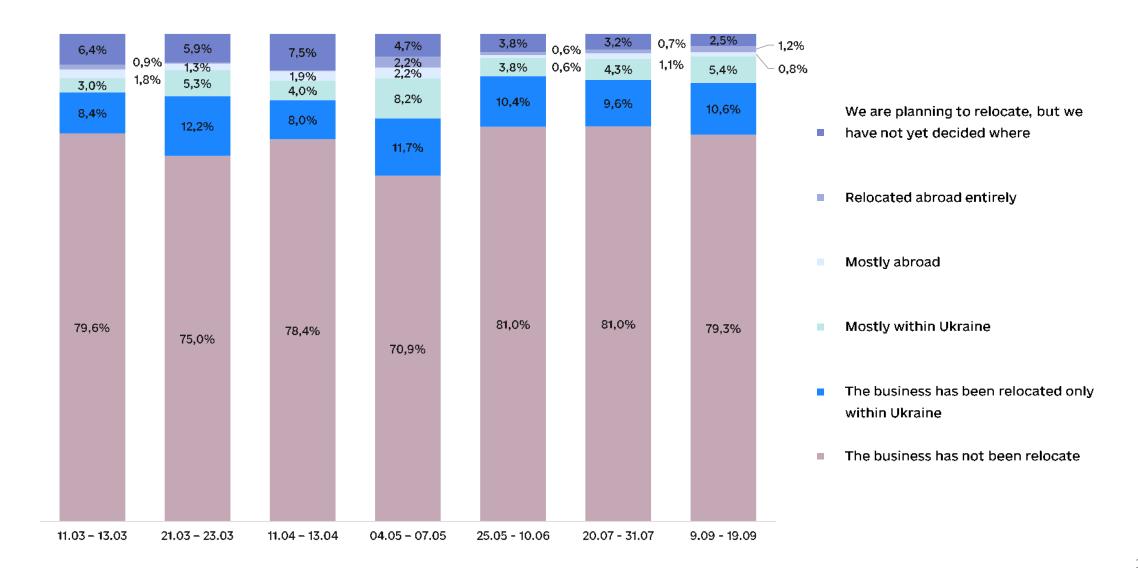
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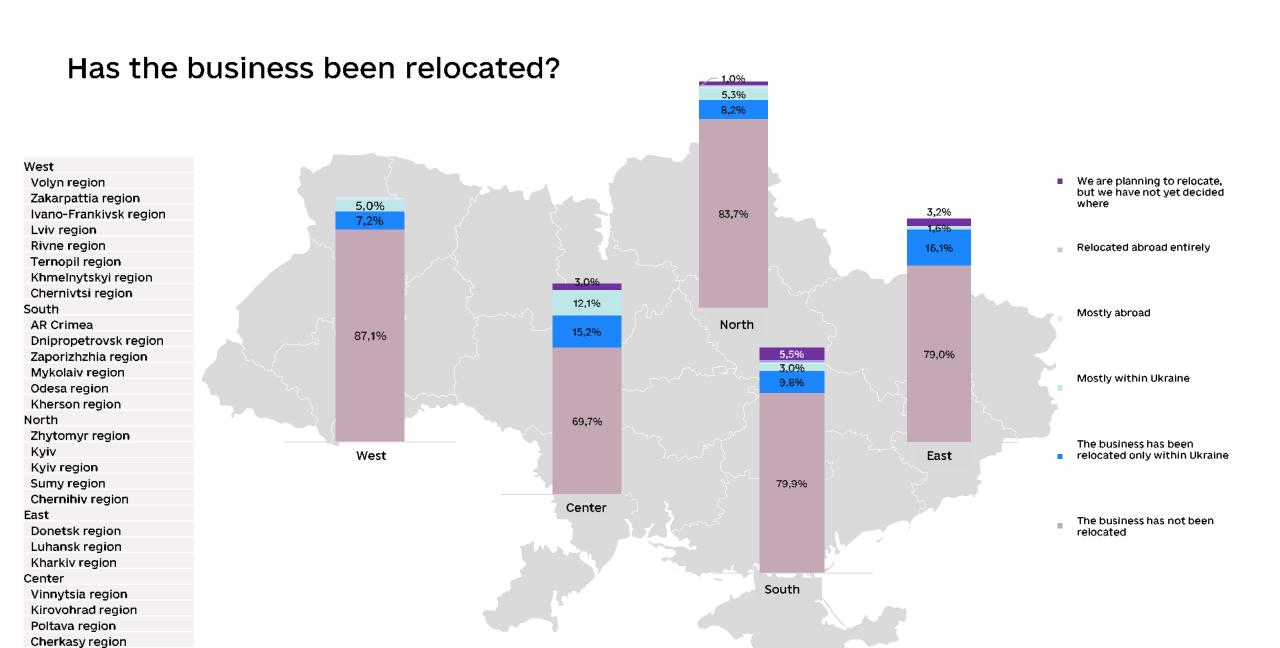


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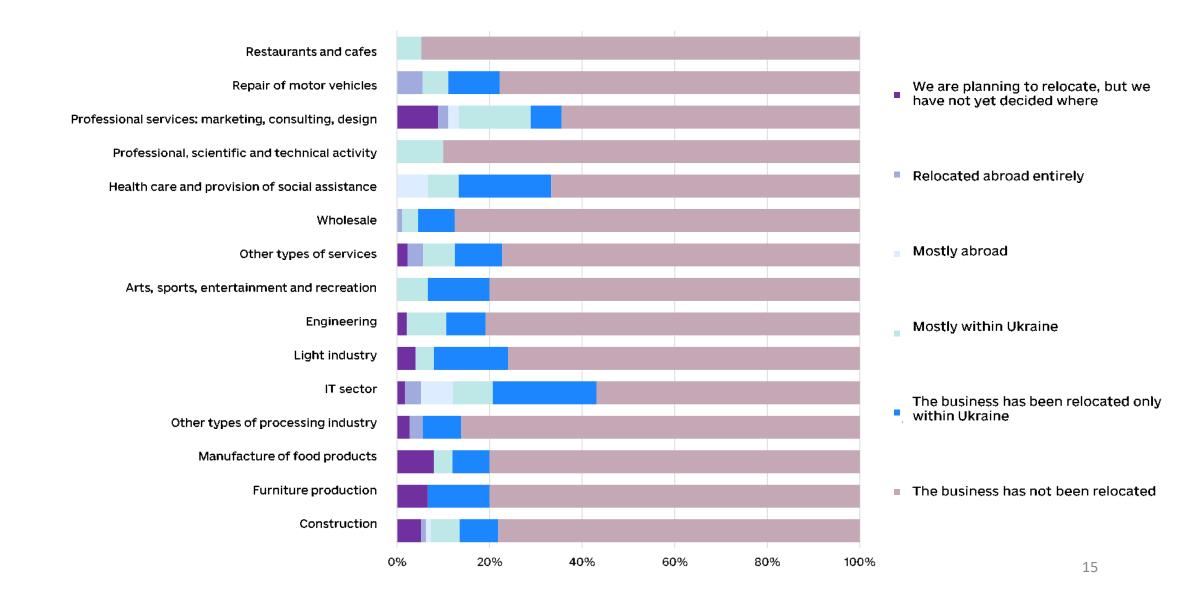


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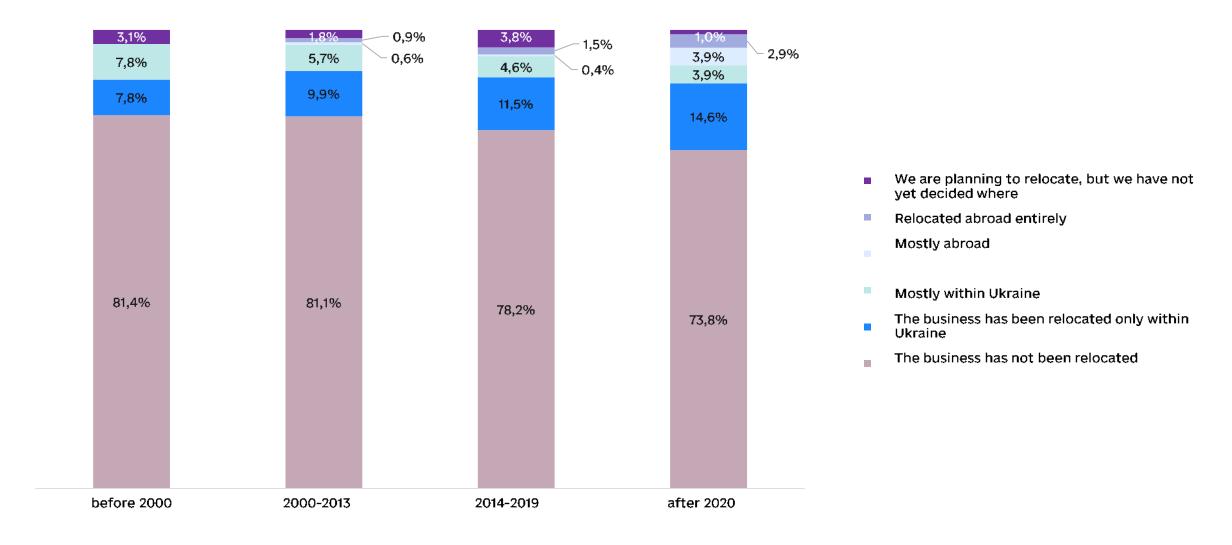




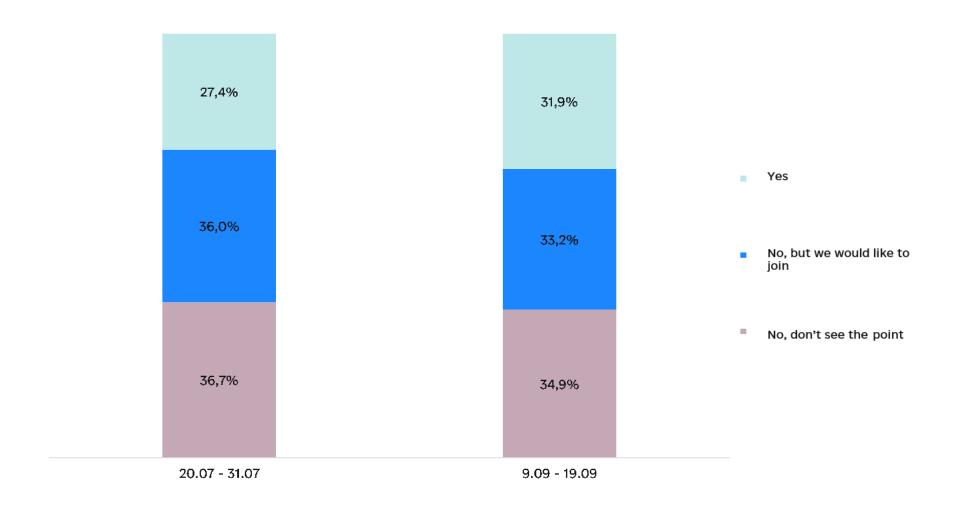
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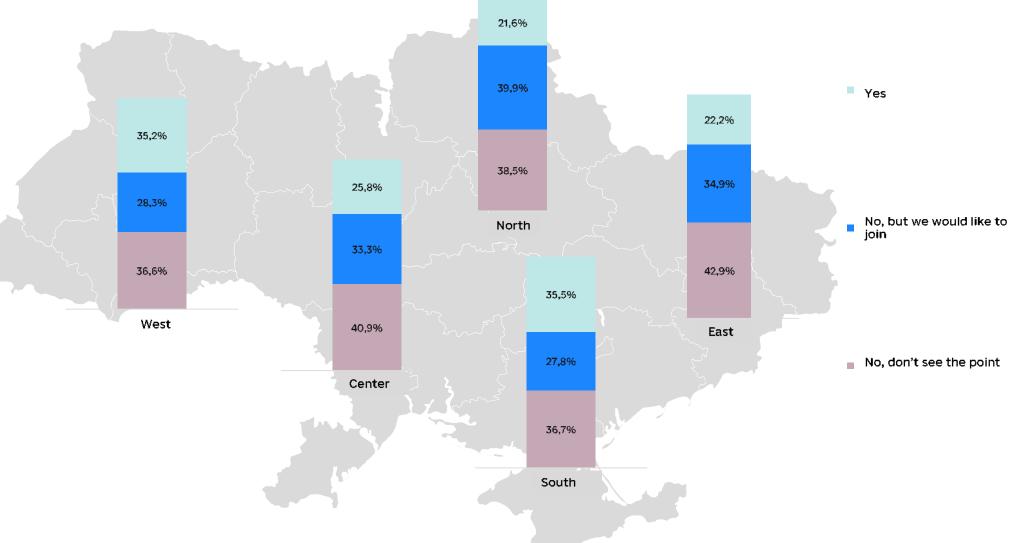


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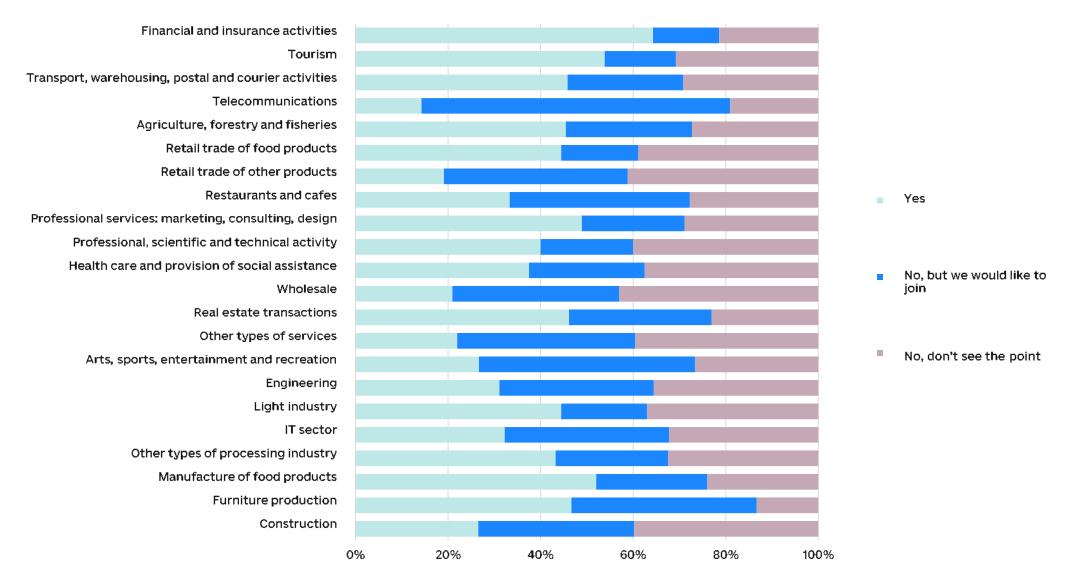


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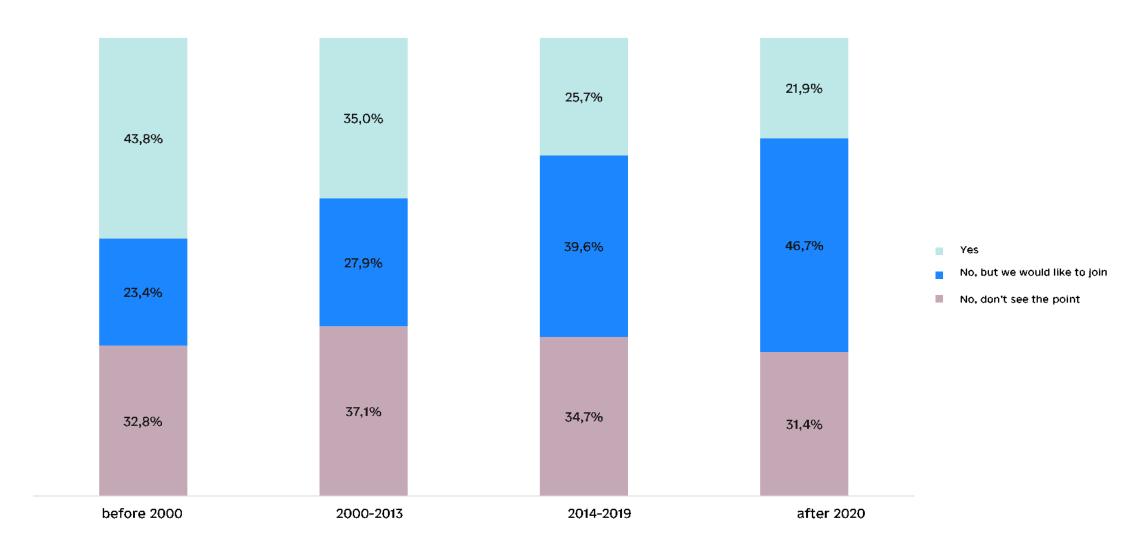




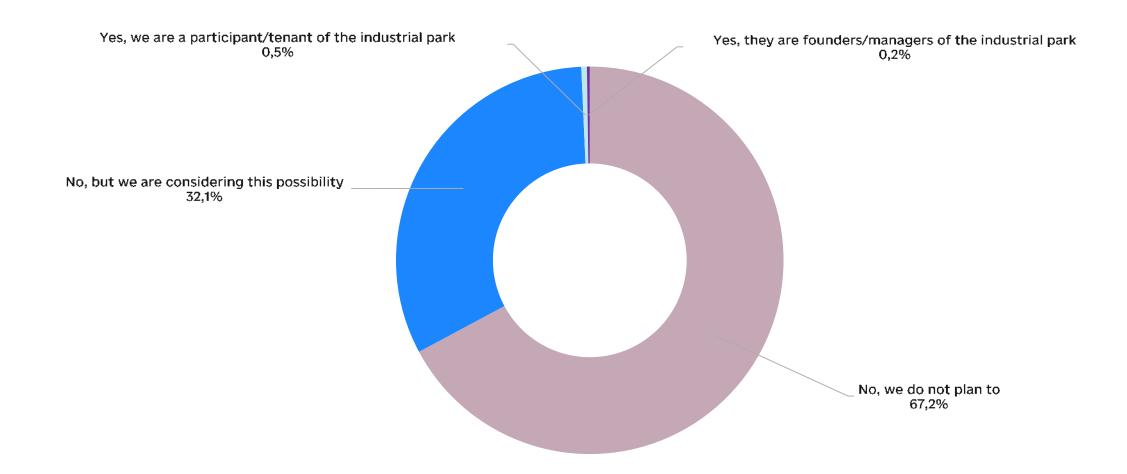
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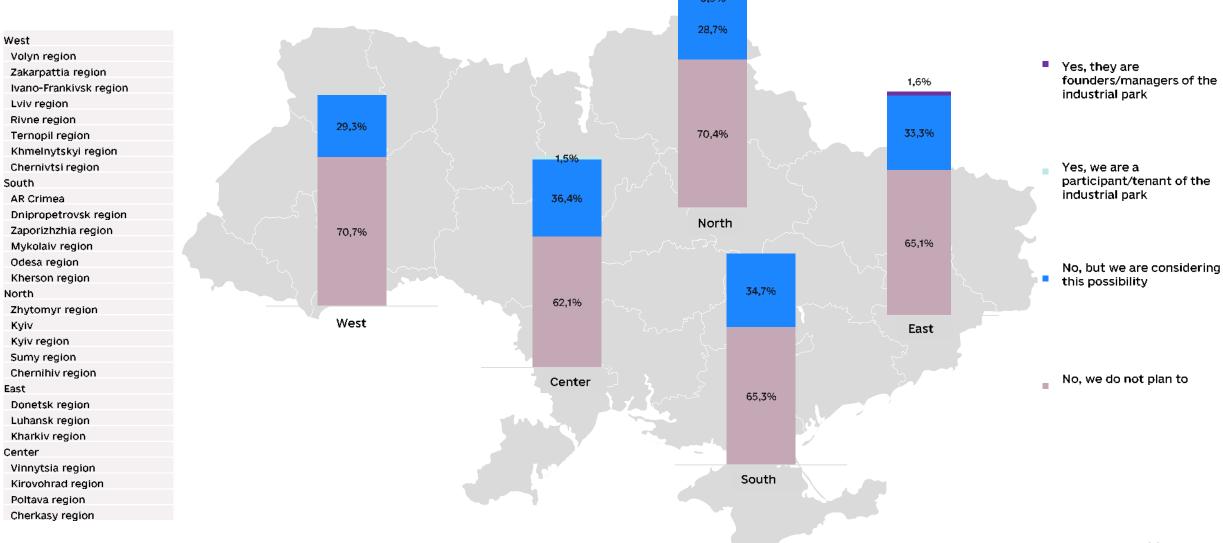
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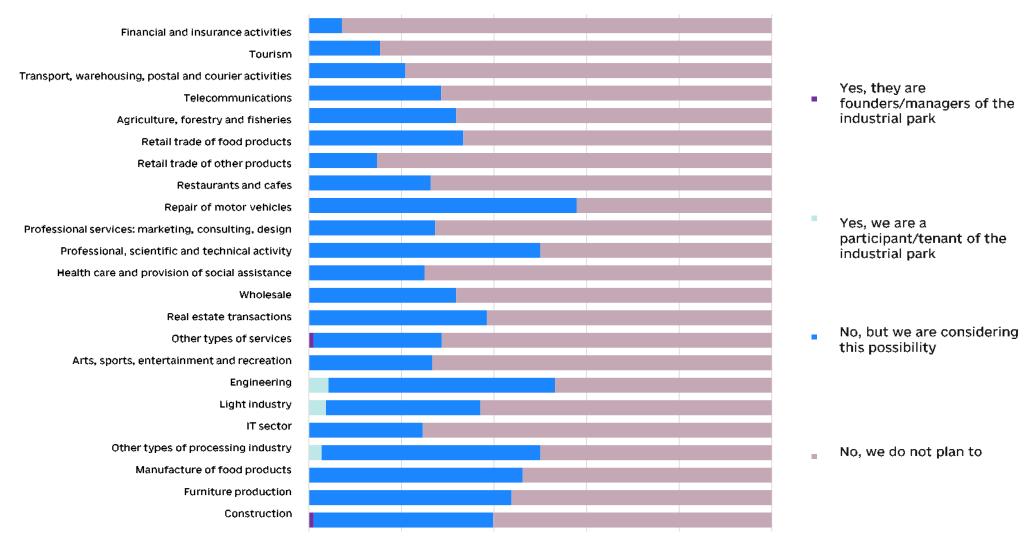
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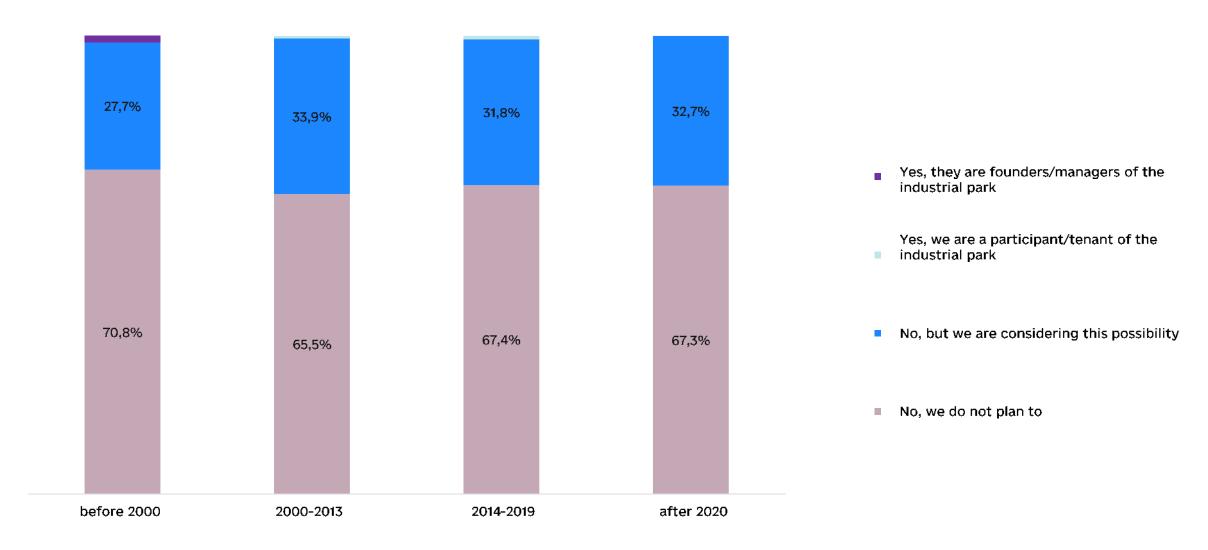
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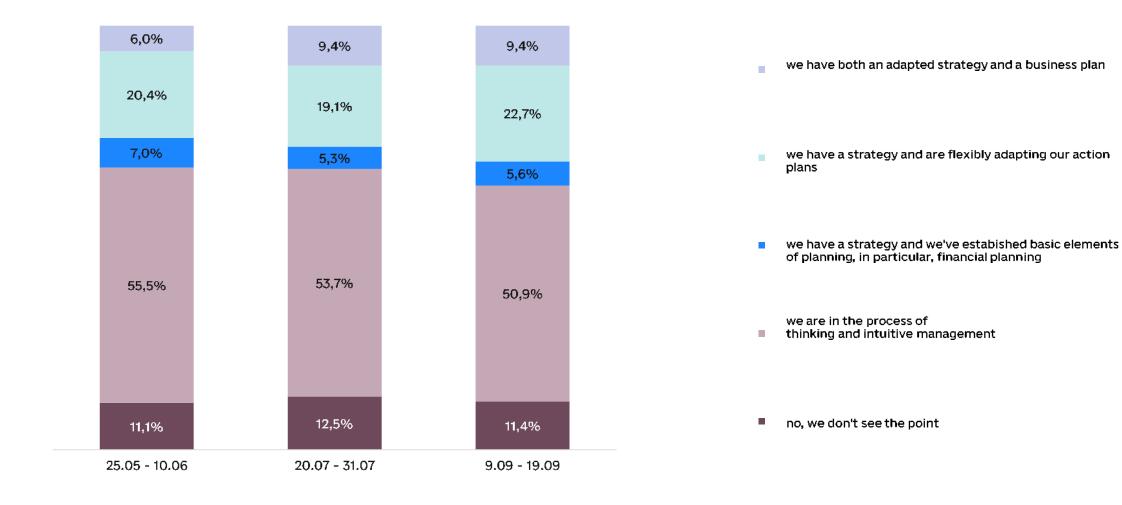
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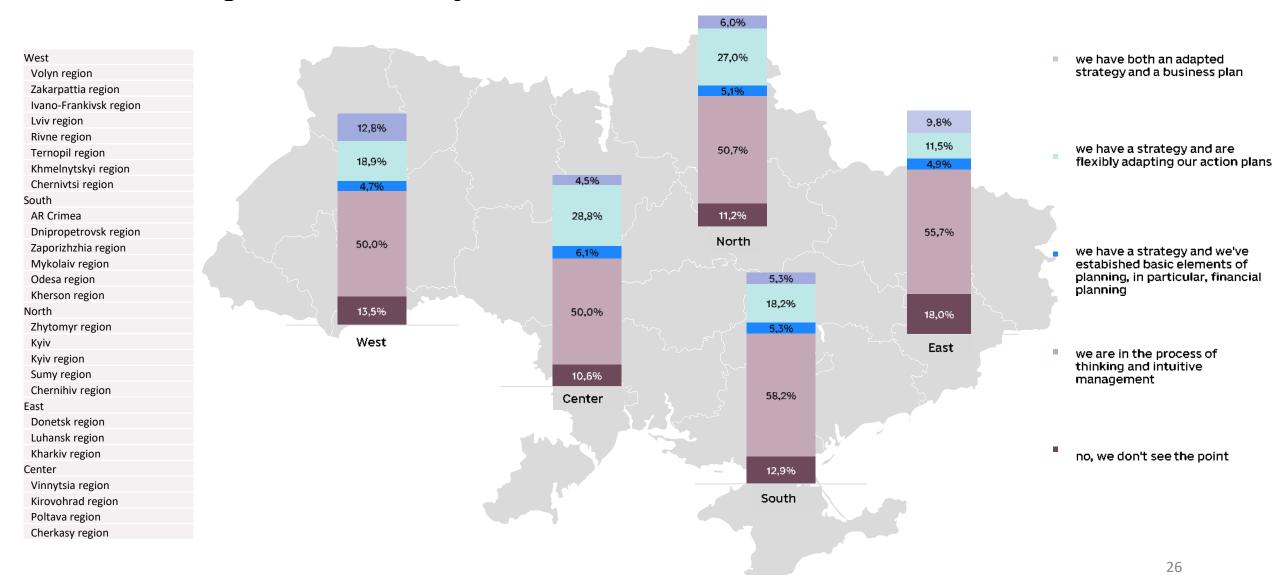
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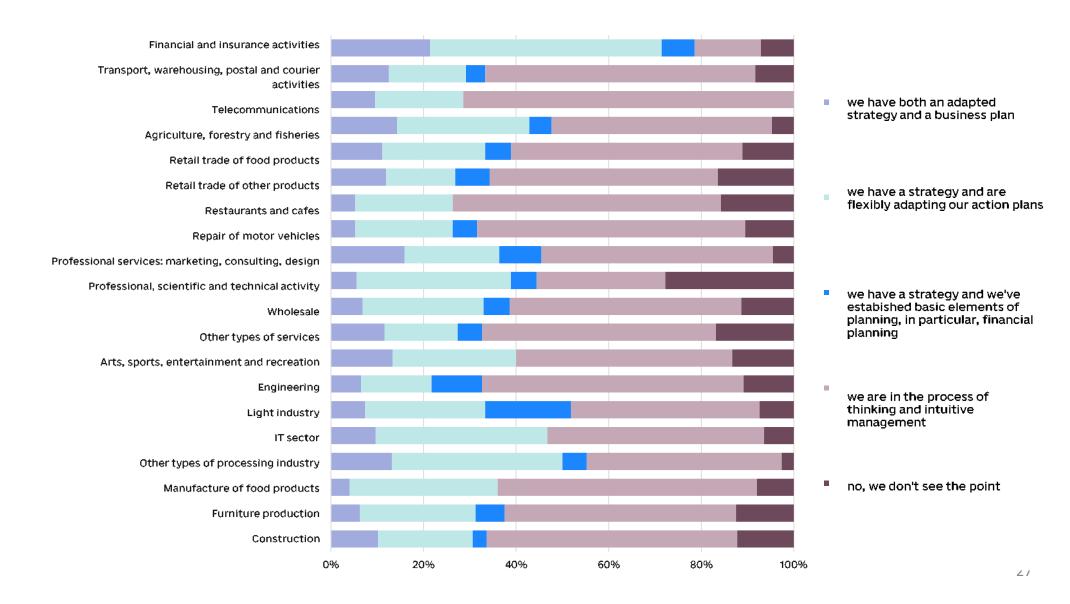
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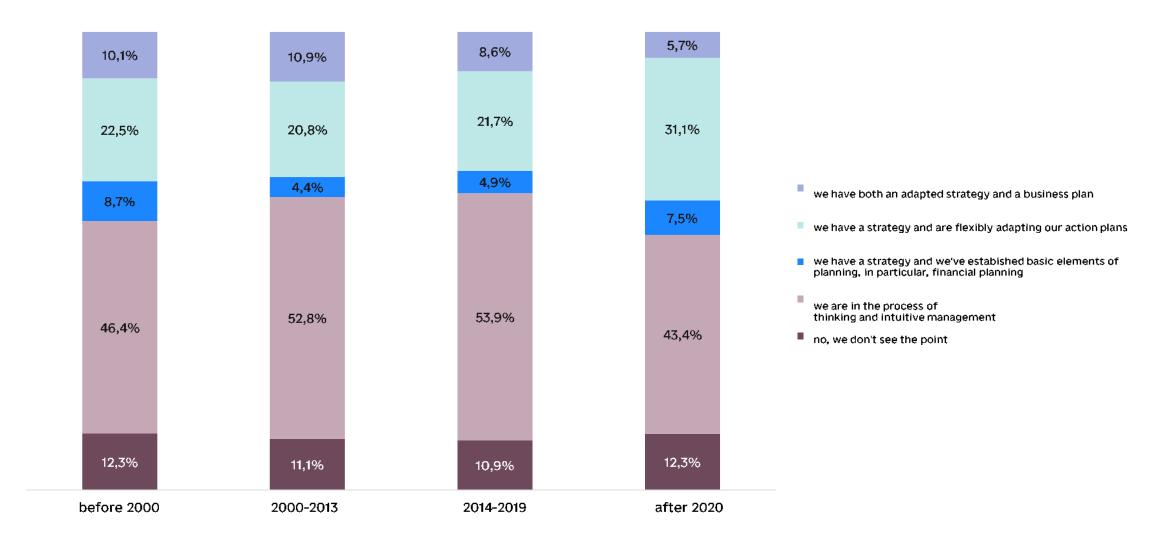
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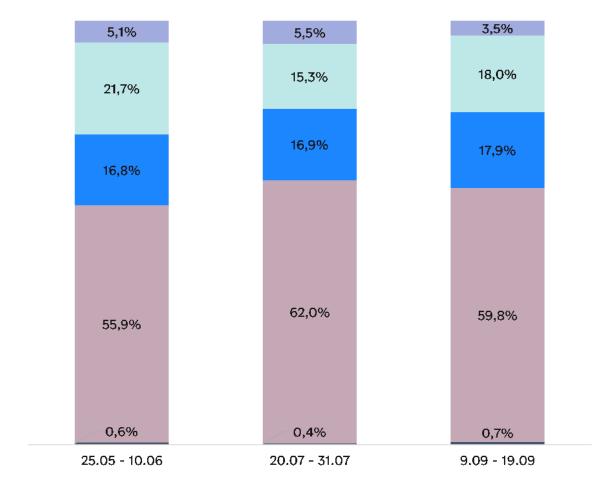
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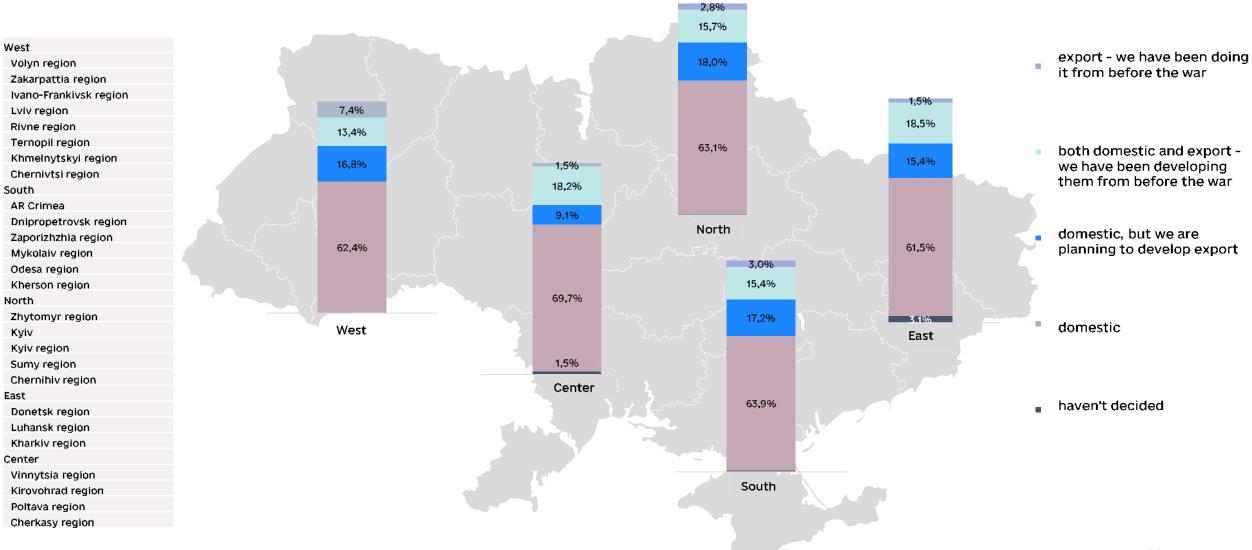


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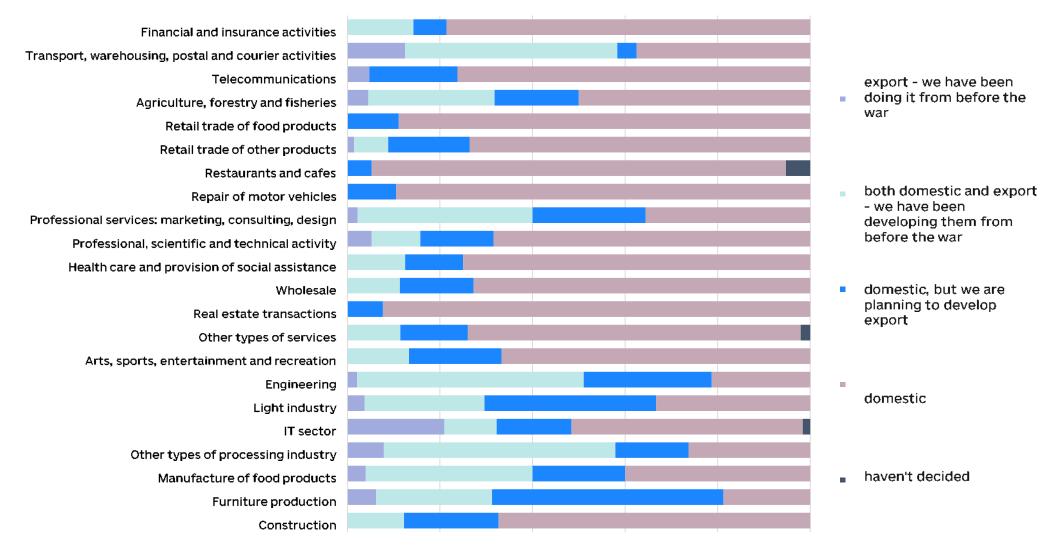


- export we have been doing it from before the war
- both domestic and export we have been developing them from before the war
- domestic, but we are planning to develop export
- domestic
- haven't decided

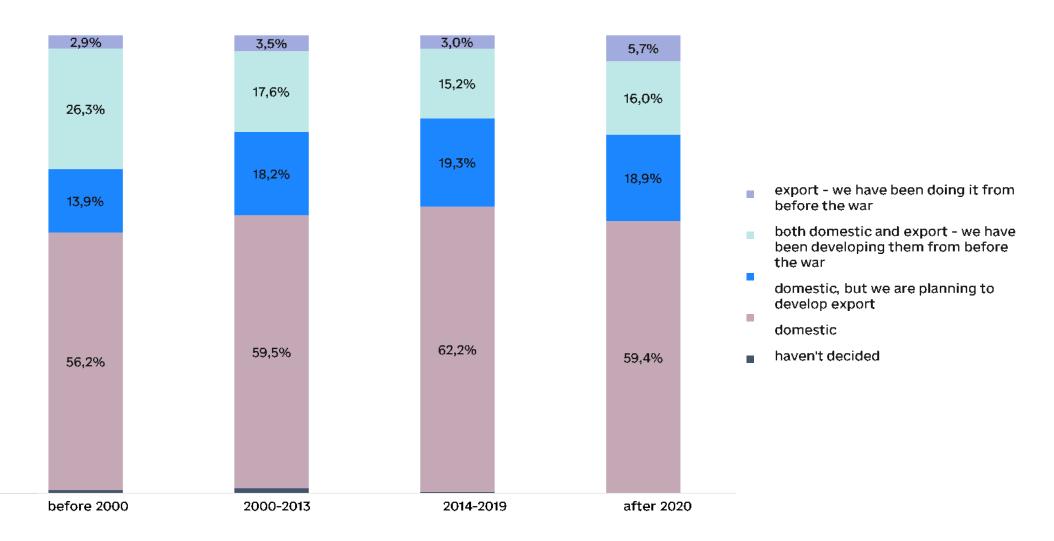
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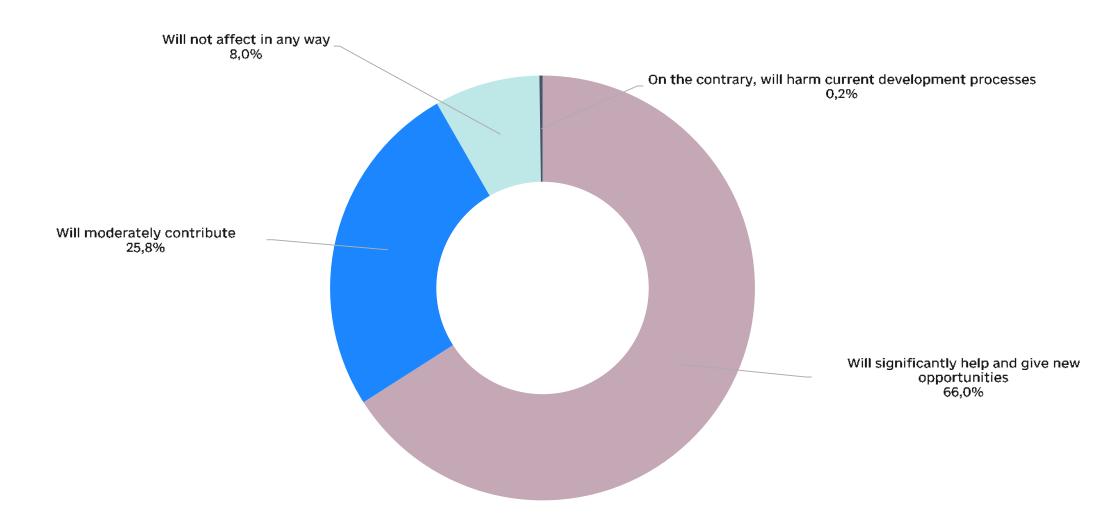
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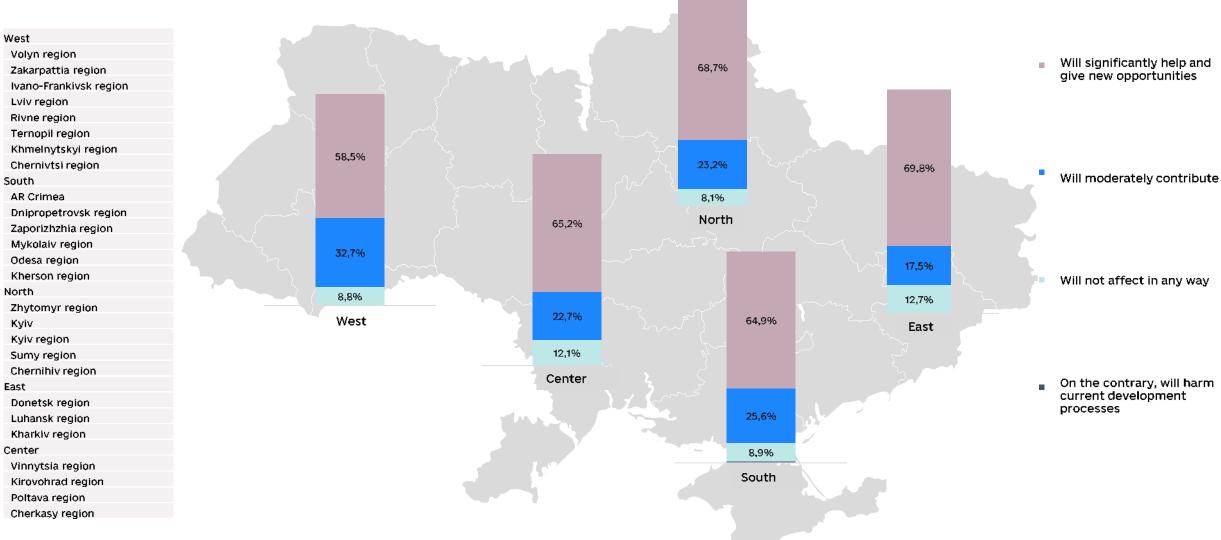
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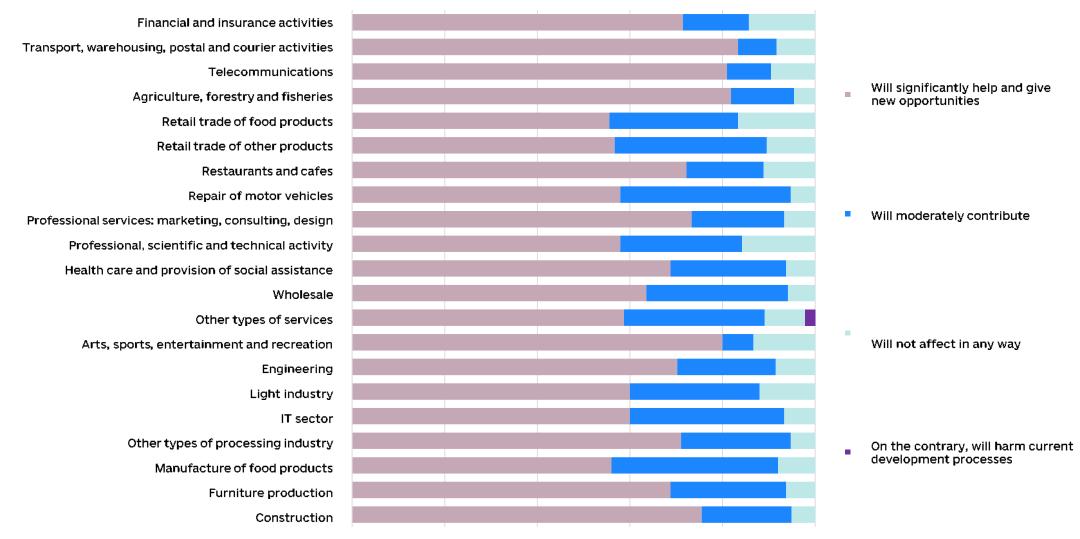
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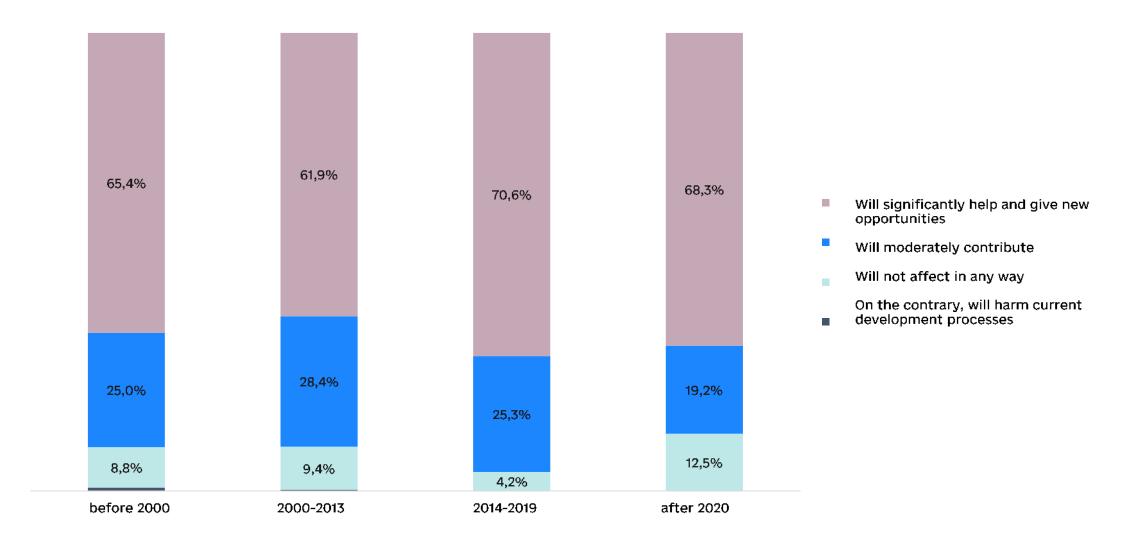
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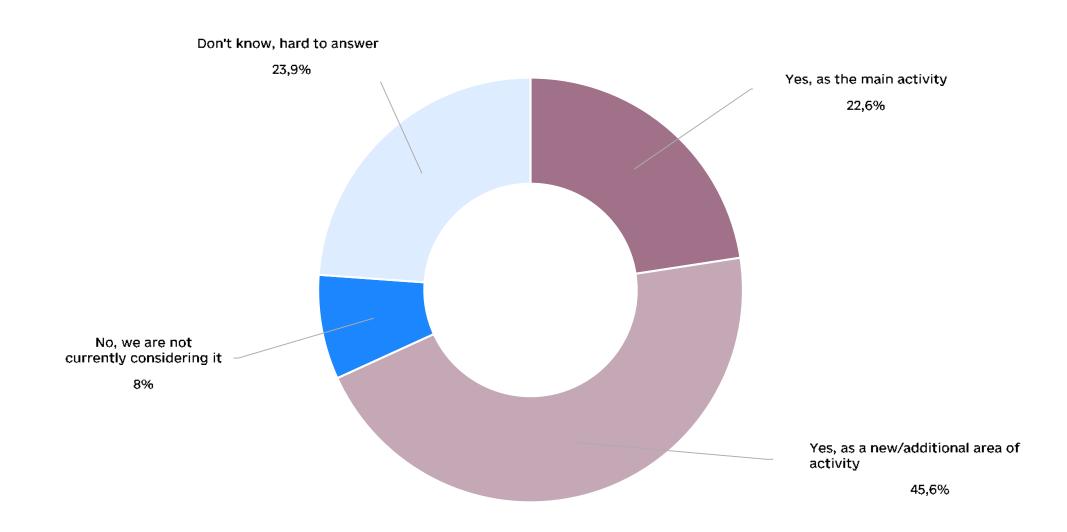
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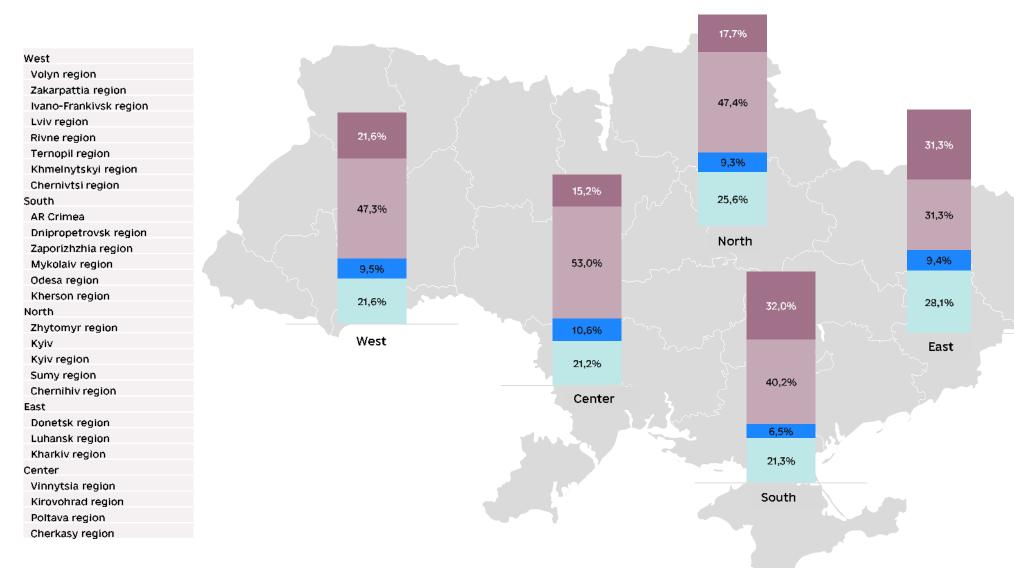
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Yes, as a

activity

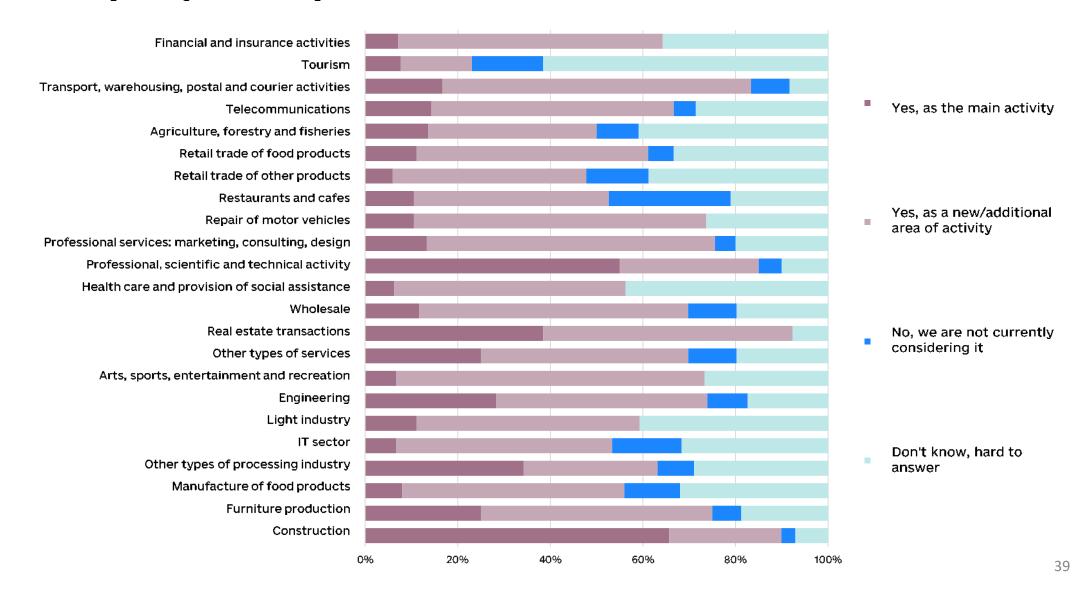
currently considering it

No, we are not

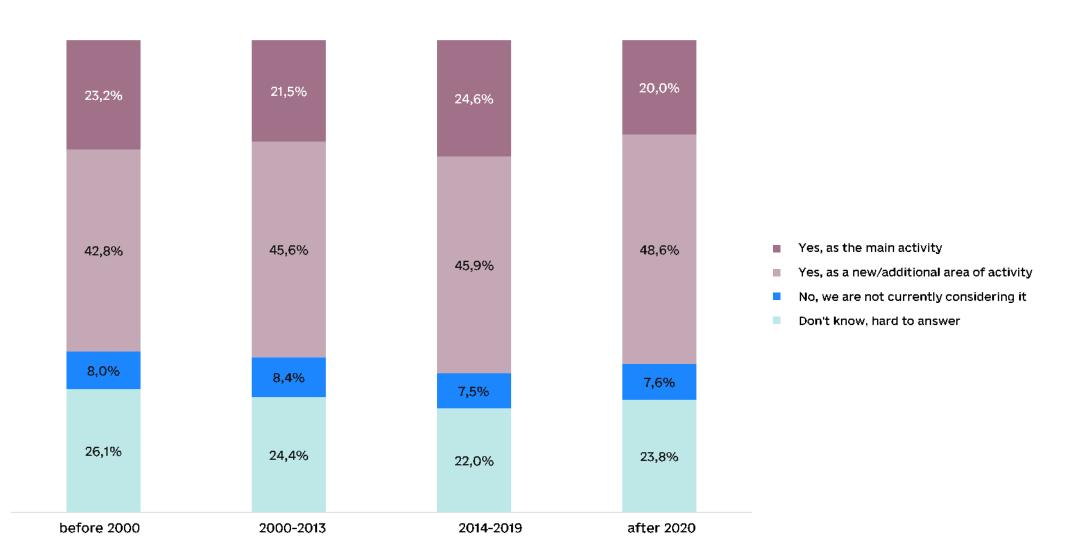
new/additional area of

Don't know, hard to answer

Do you consider the possibility of involvement in the reconstruction of the country? (by industry)



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Personnel situation

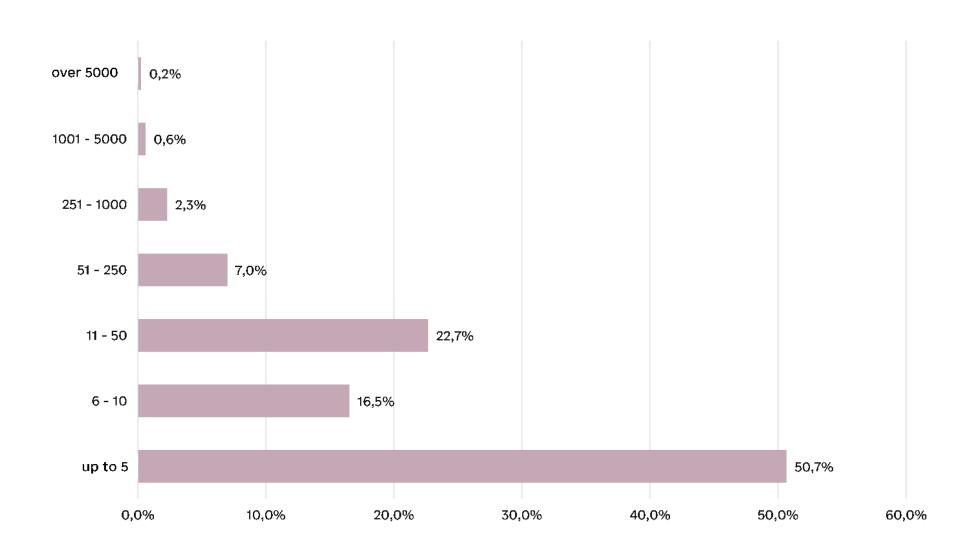
Personnel situation

| | 10.06 | 31.07 | 19.09 |
|---|-------|-------|-------|
| The share of personnel working with pay cuts | 27% | 26% | 22% |
| The share of personnel (in relation to 24.02) sent on vacation | 20% | 18% | 18% |
| The share of personnel (in relation to 24.02) reduced at the moment | 20% | 24% | 28%7 |

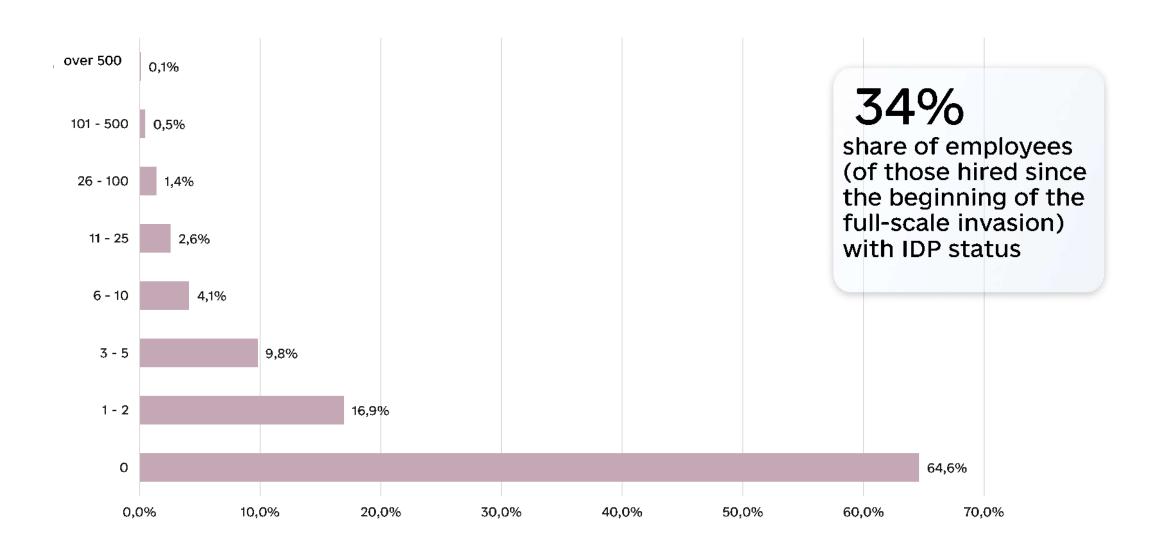
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of SME employees have been reduced

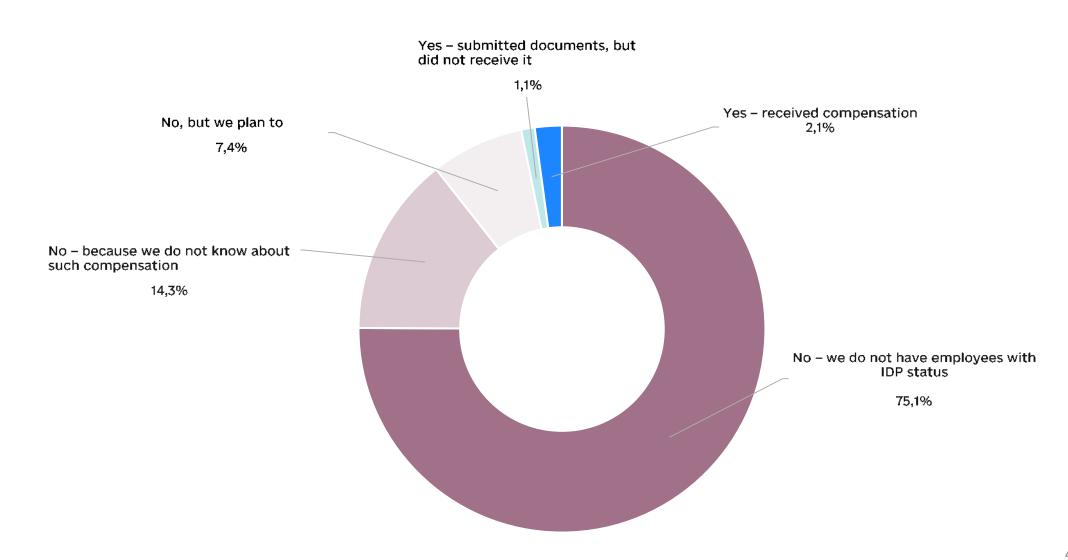
How many employees are currently working in your business?



How many employees have you hired in the last 6 months?

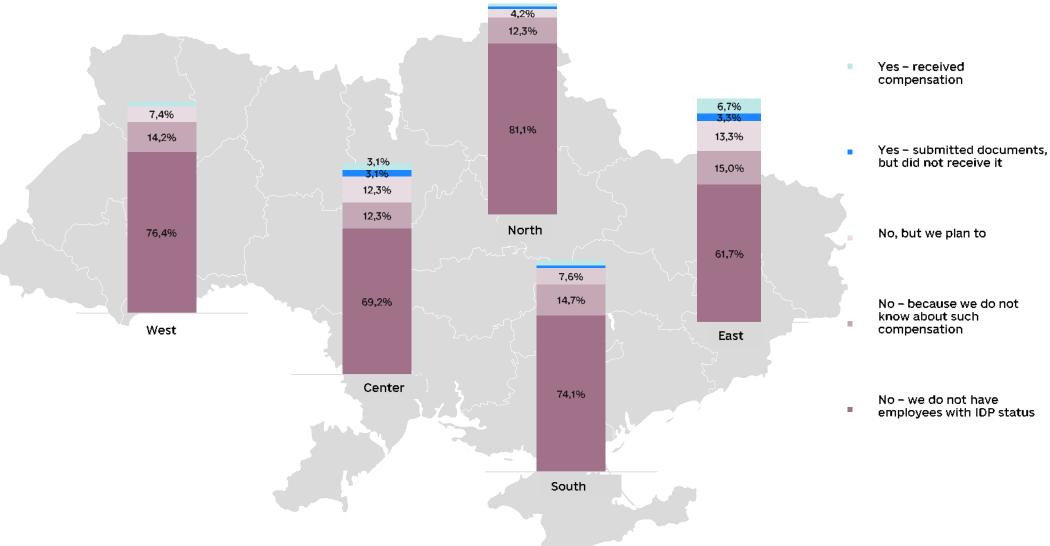


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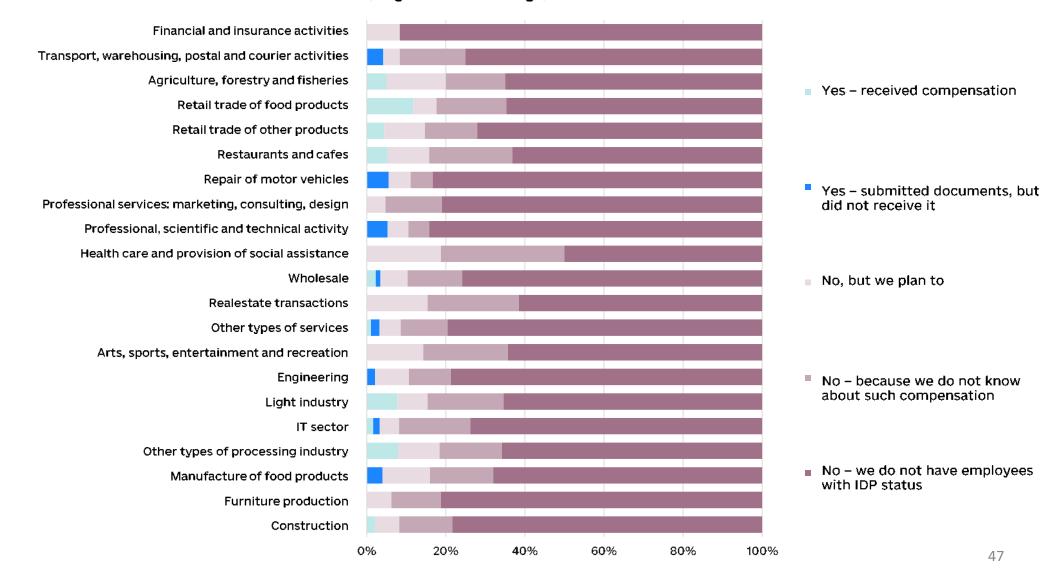


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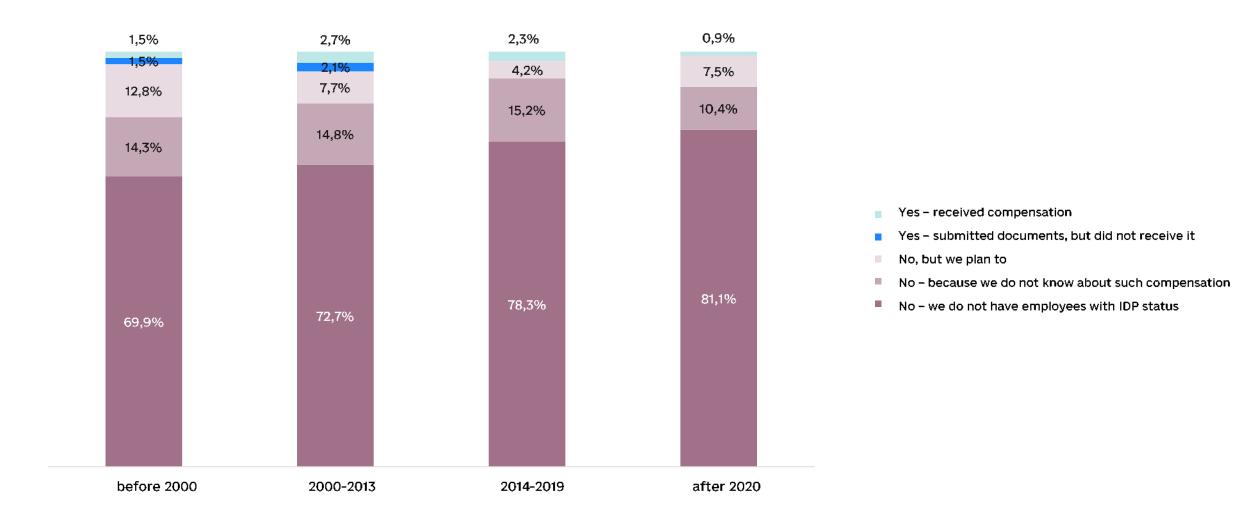




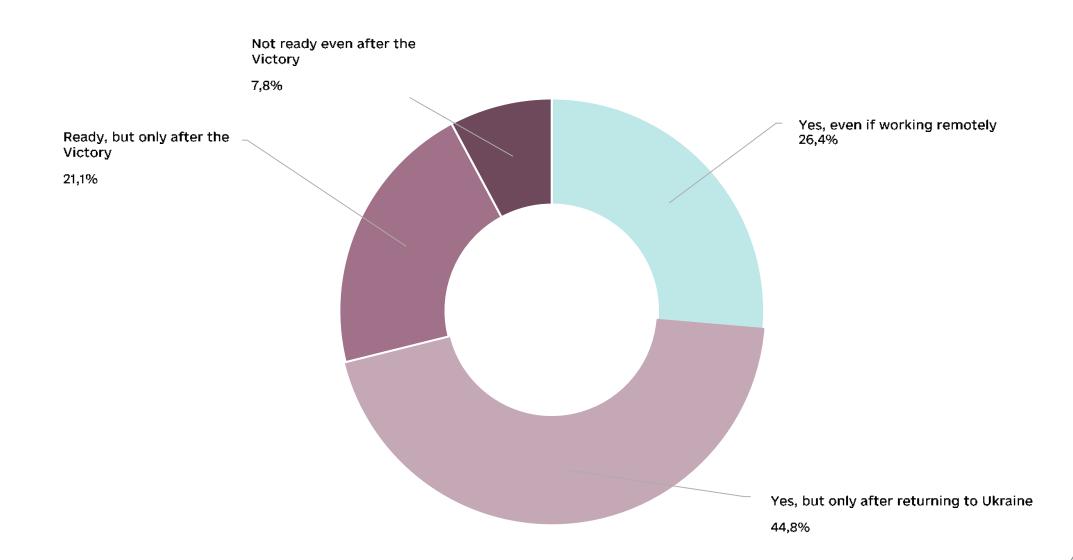
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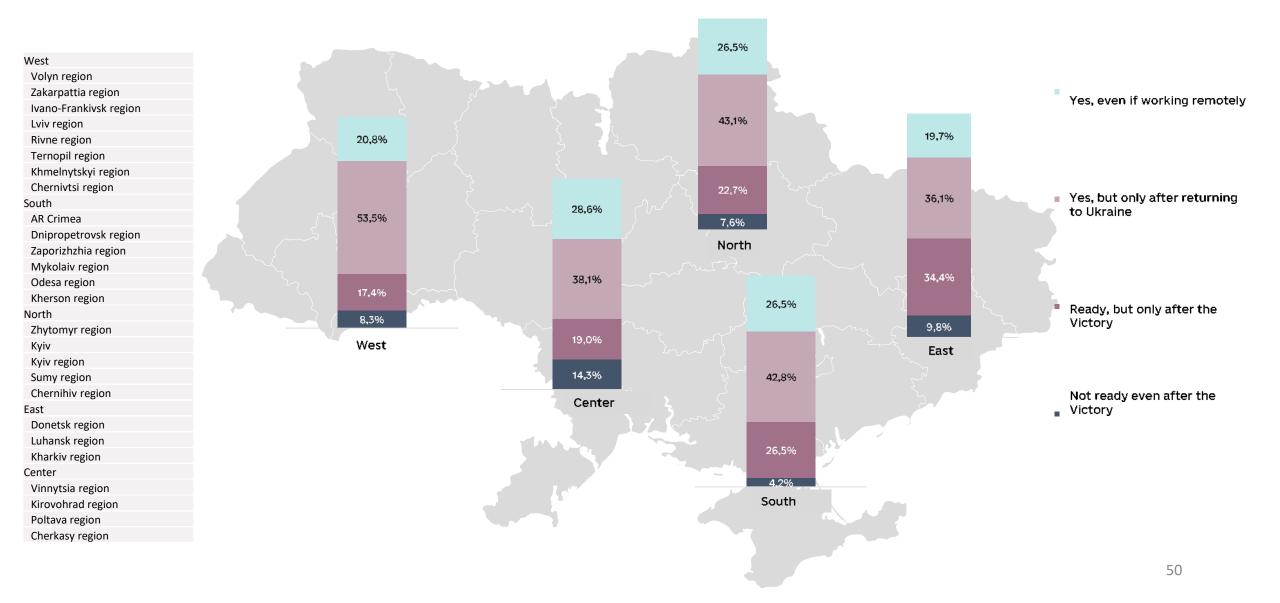
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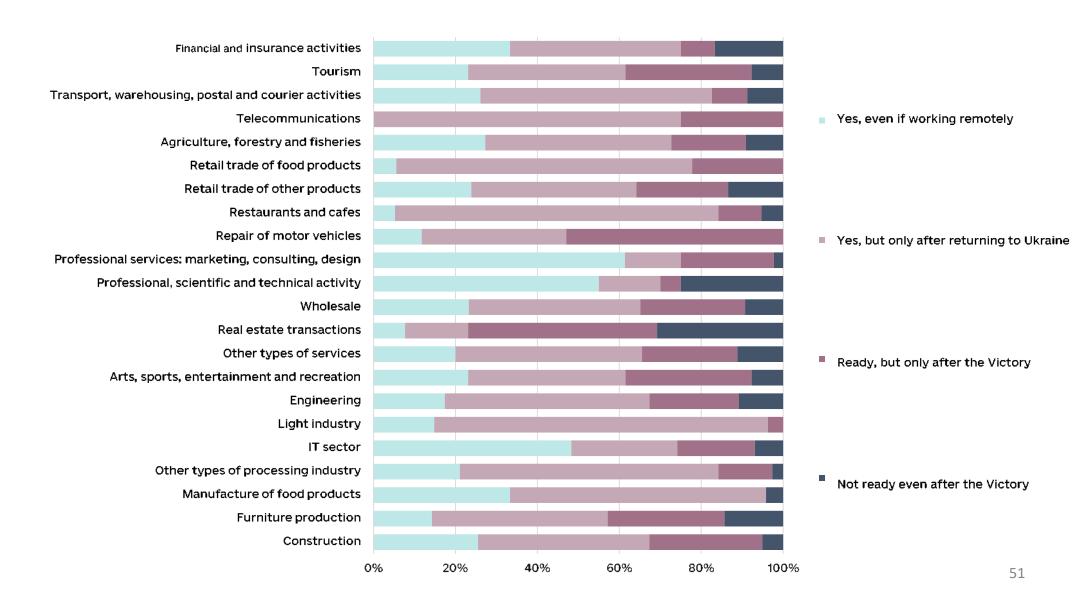
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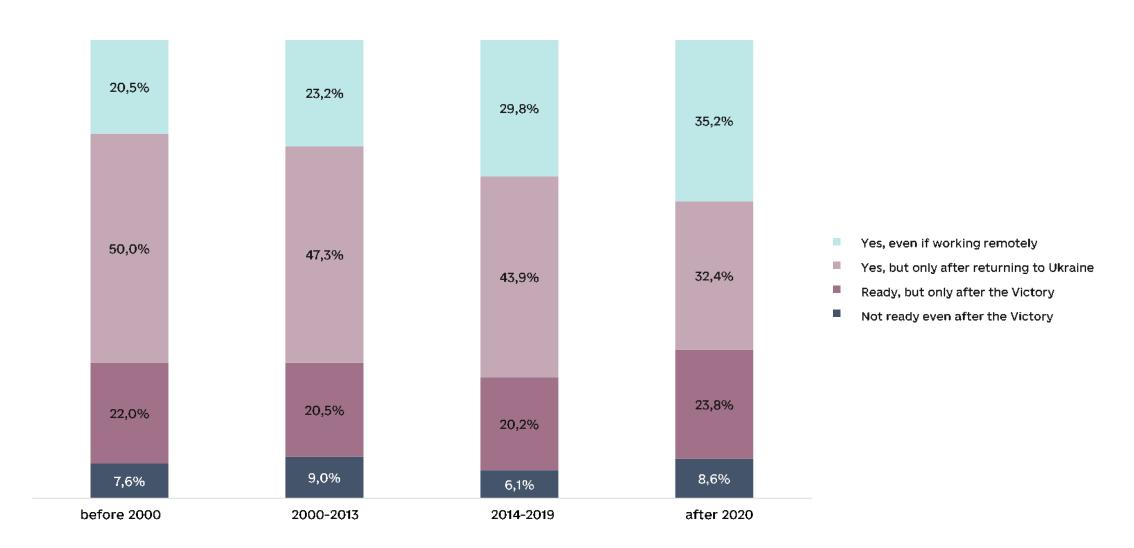
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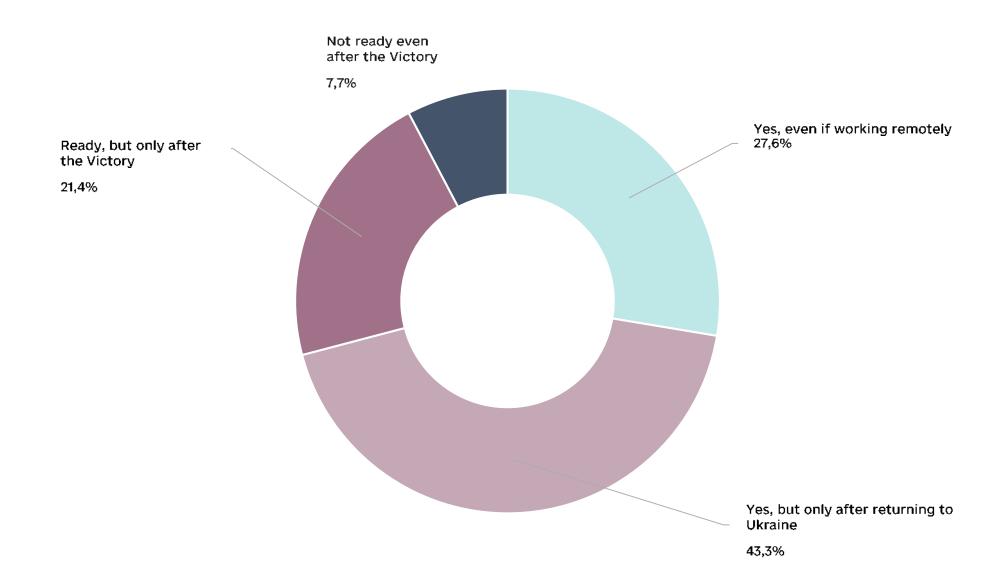
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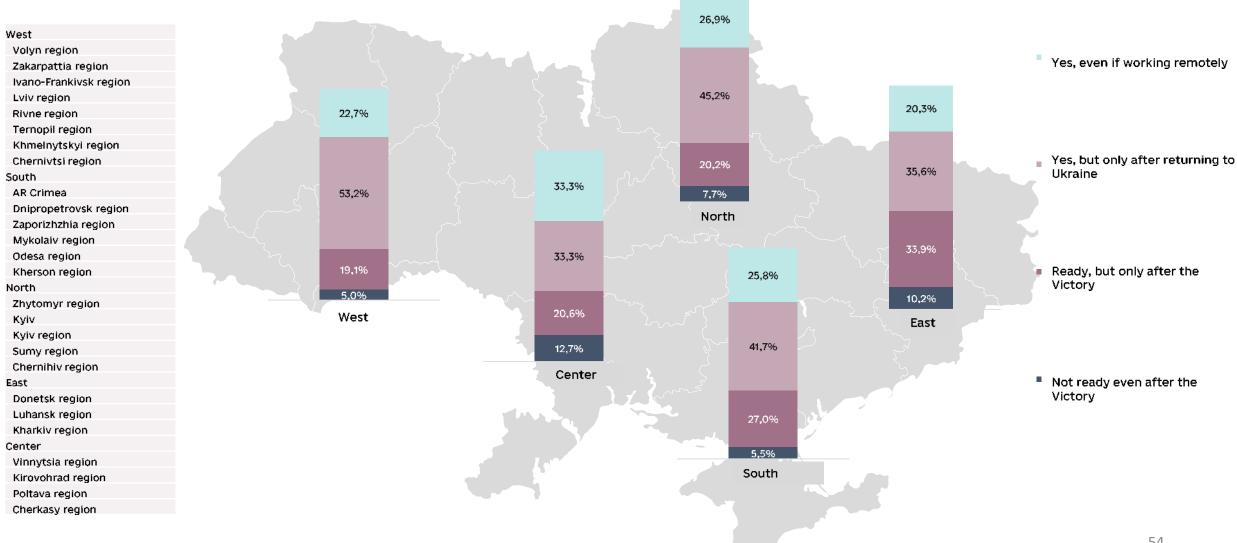
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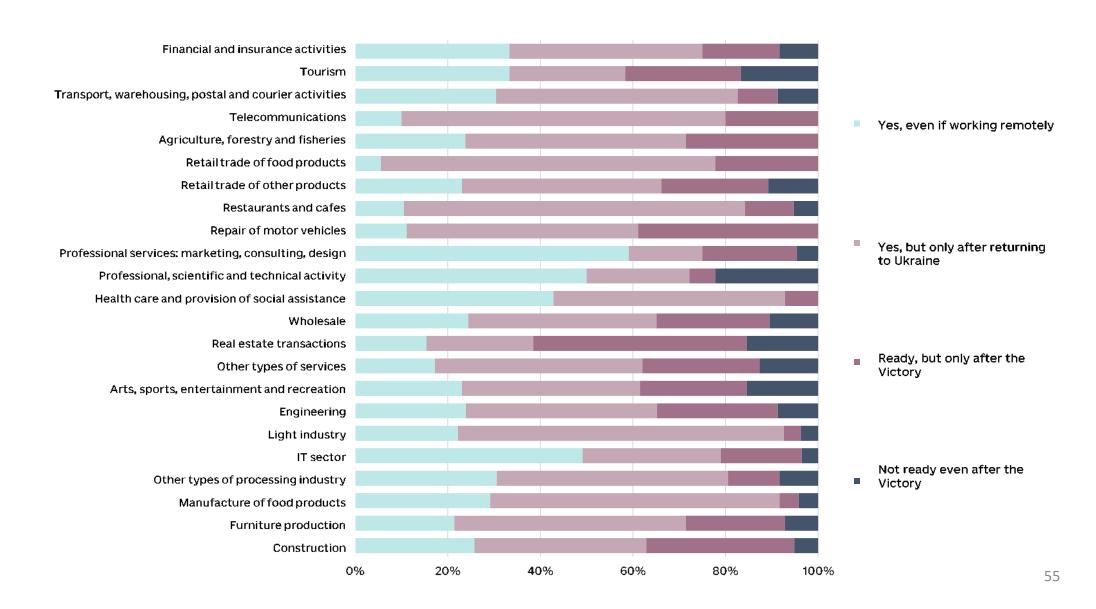
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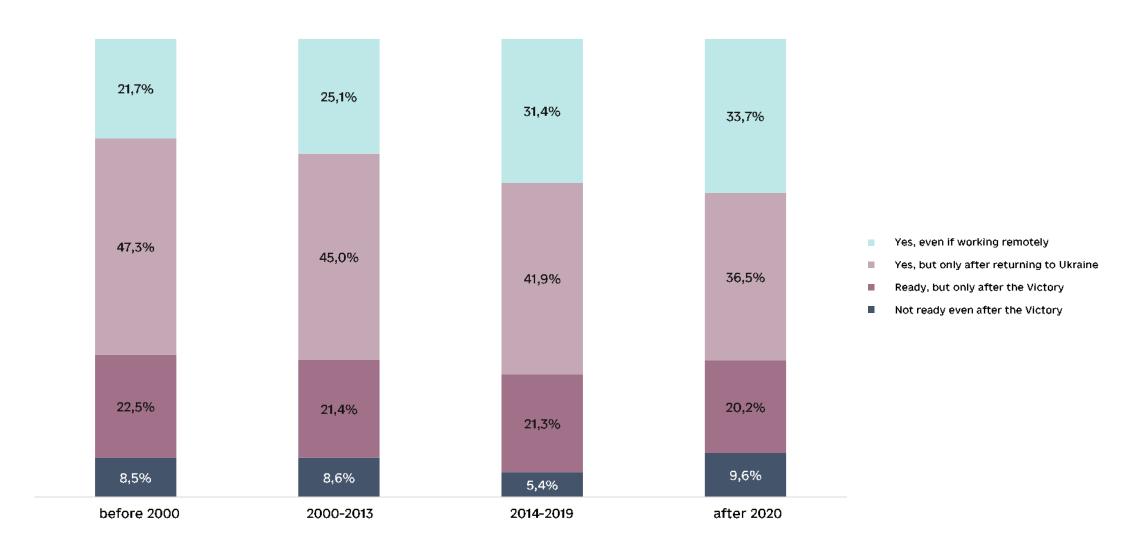
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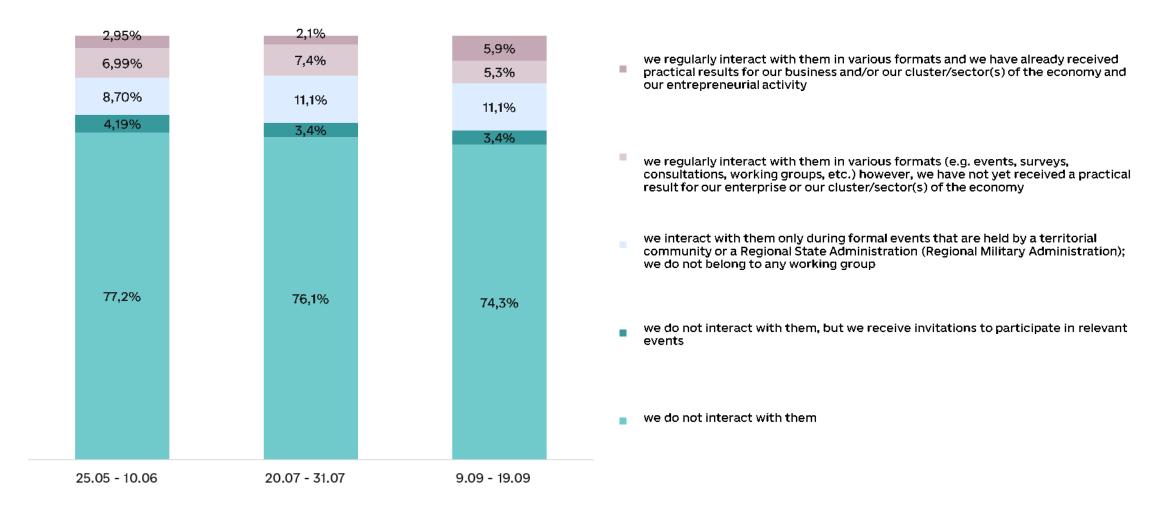
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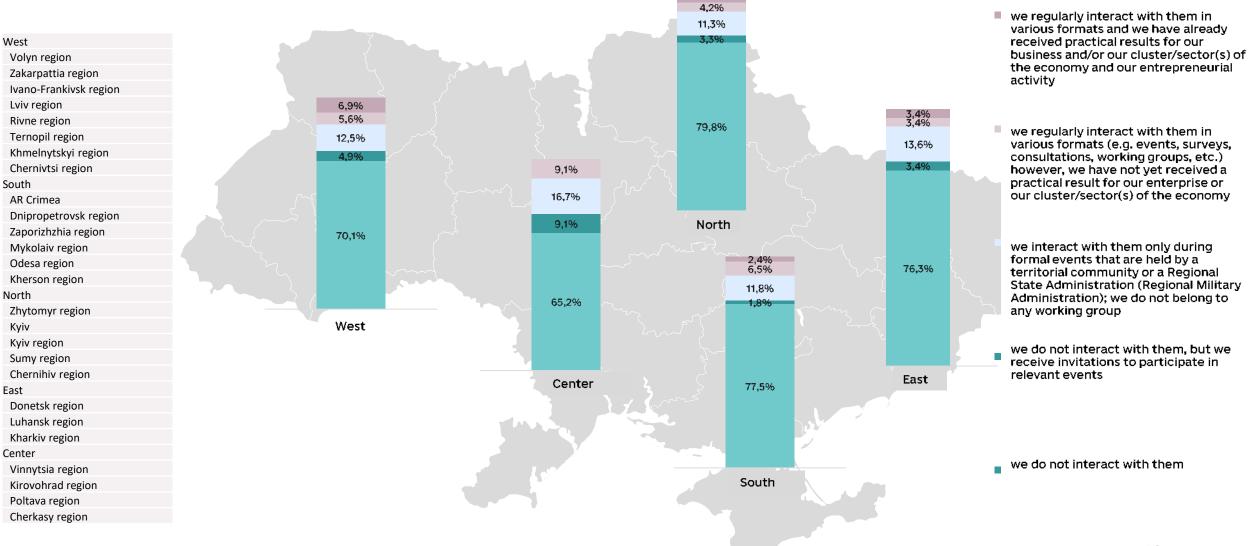
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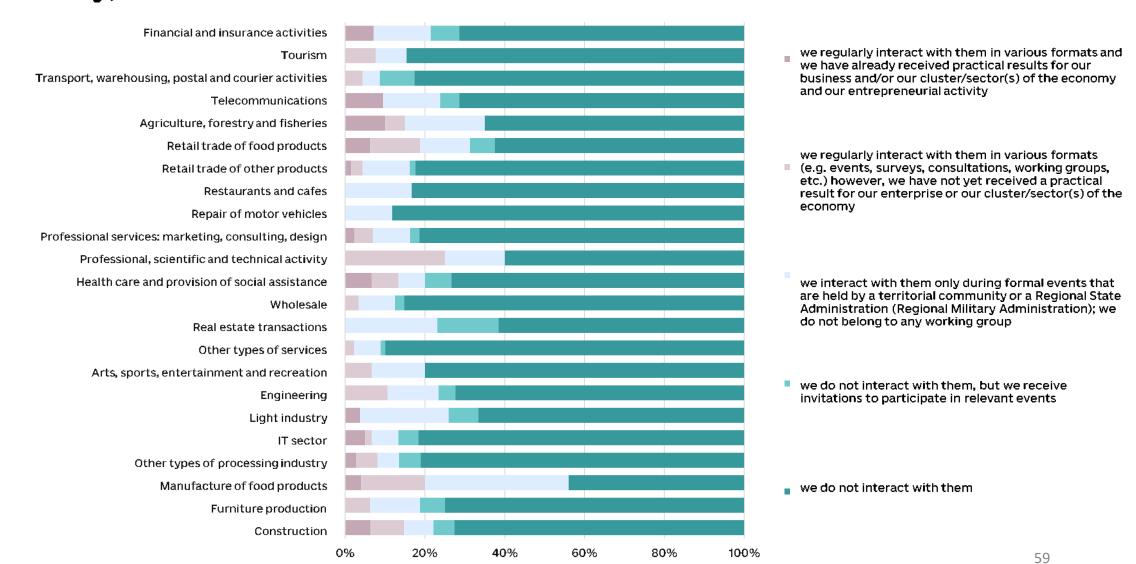
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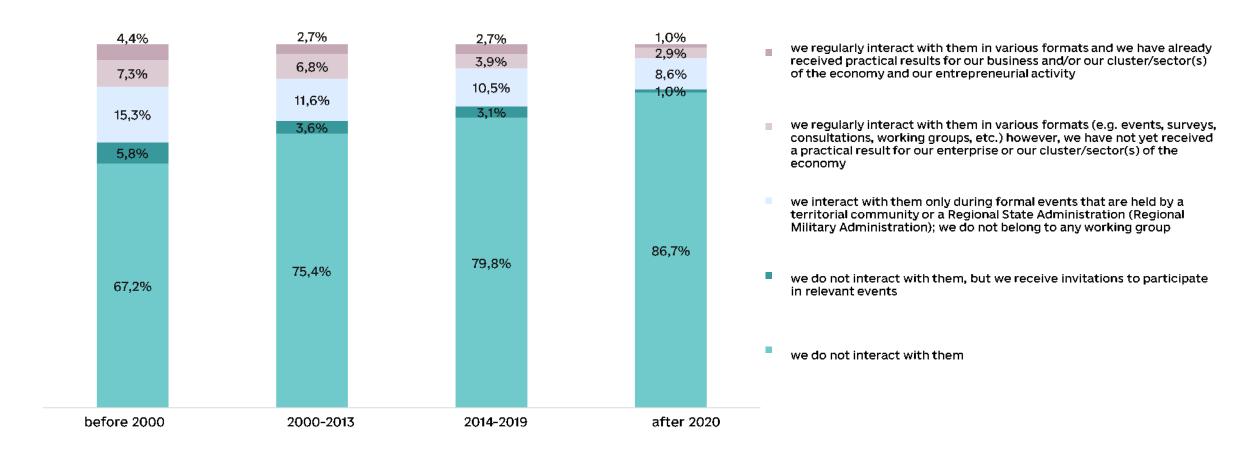
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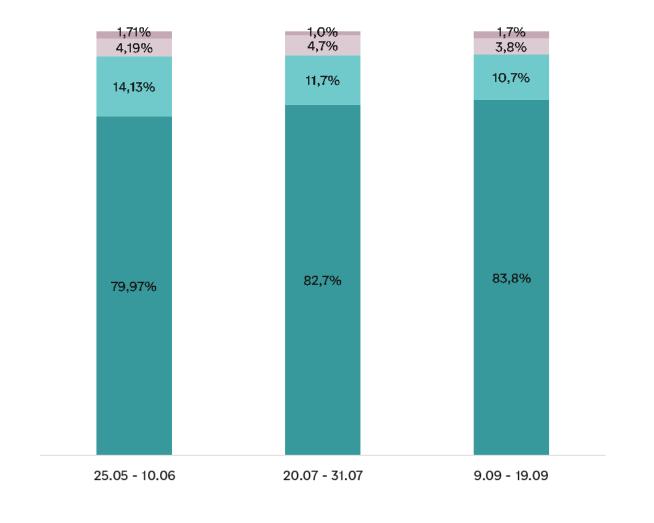
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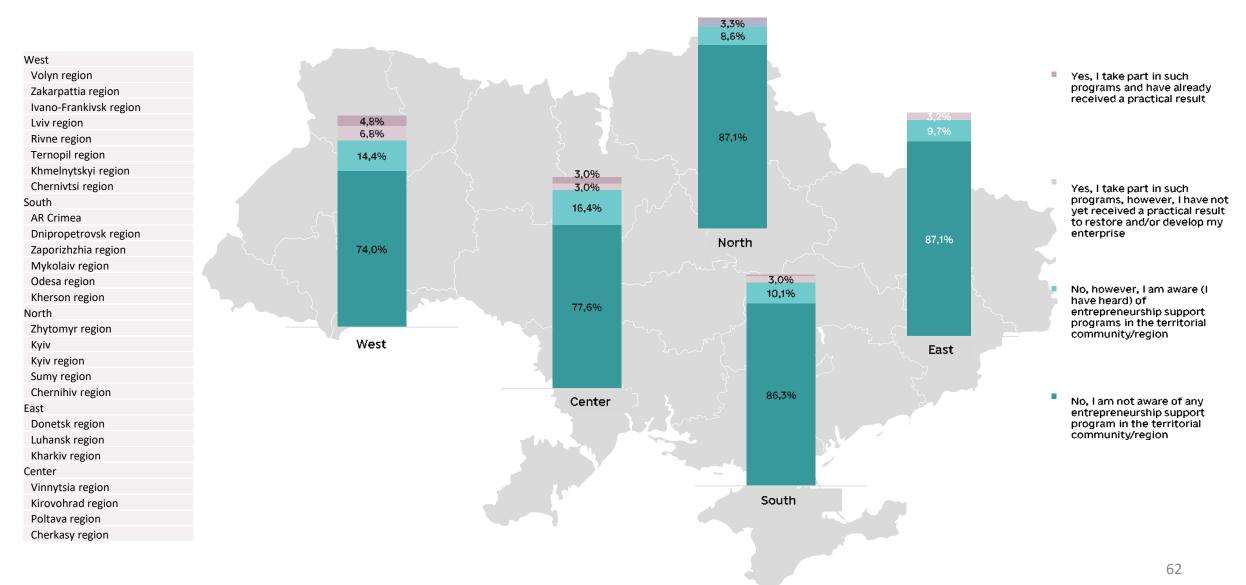
Yes, I take part in such programs and have already received a practical result

Yes, I take part in such programs, however, I have not yet received a practical result to restore and/or develop my enterprise

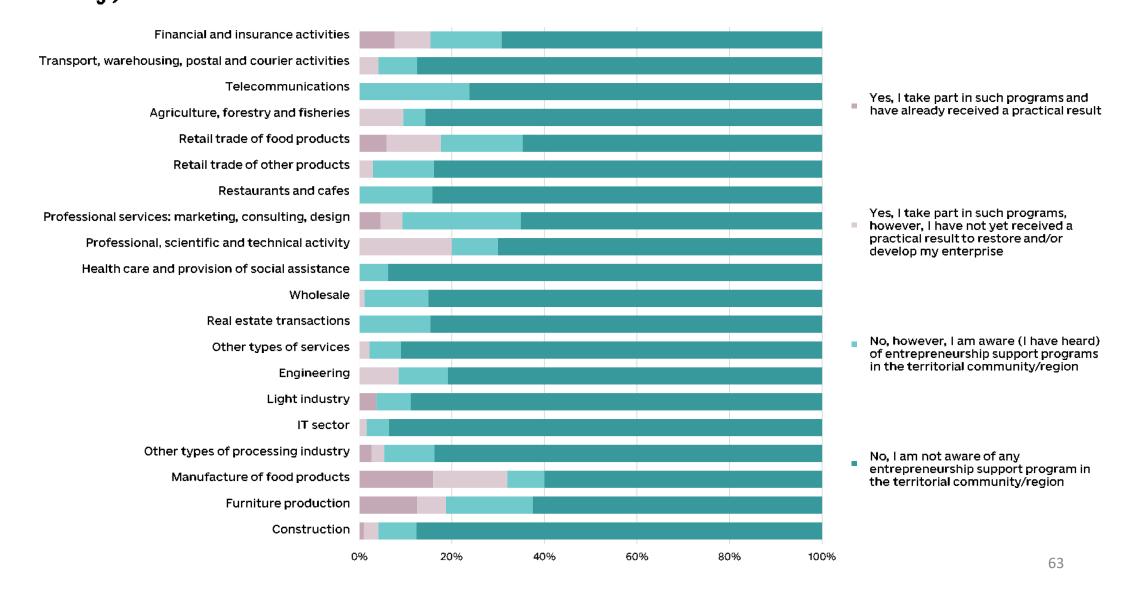
 No, however, I am aware (I have heard) of entrepreneurship support programs in the territorial community/region

 No, I am not aware of any entrepreneurship support program in the territorial community/region

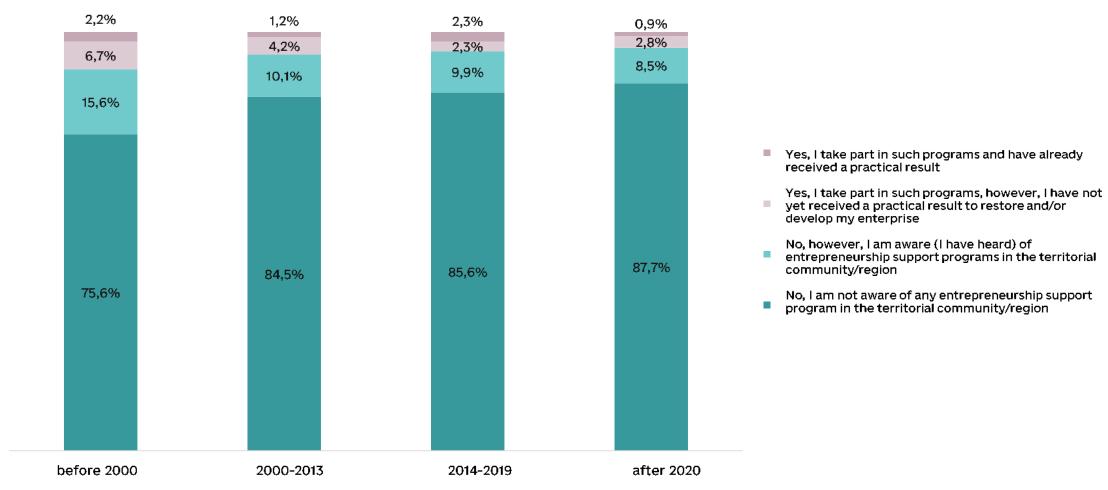
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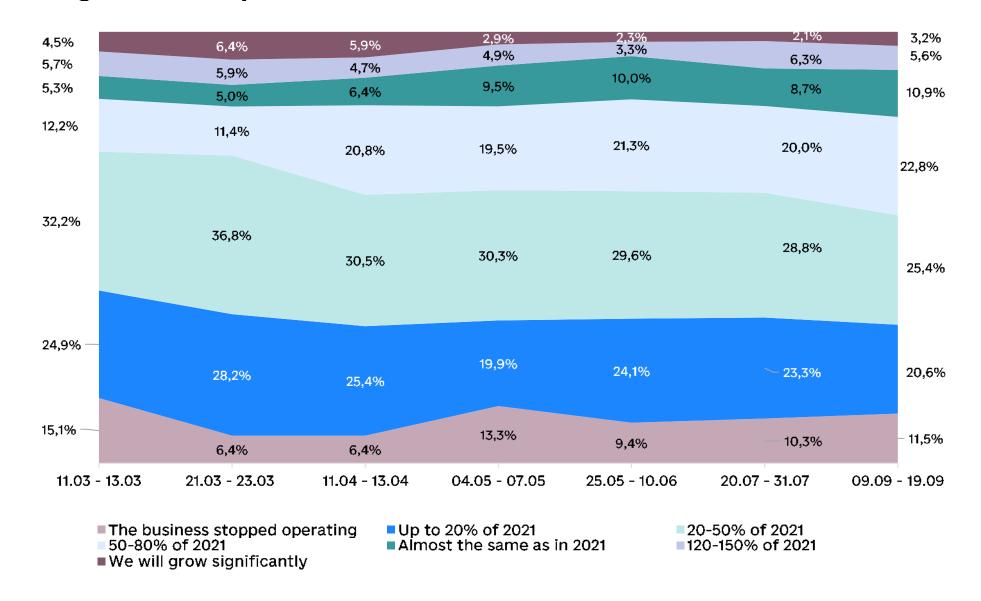
Expected losses in the volume of business sales in 2022, by enterprise size

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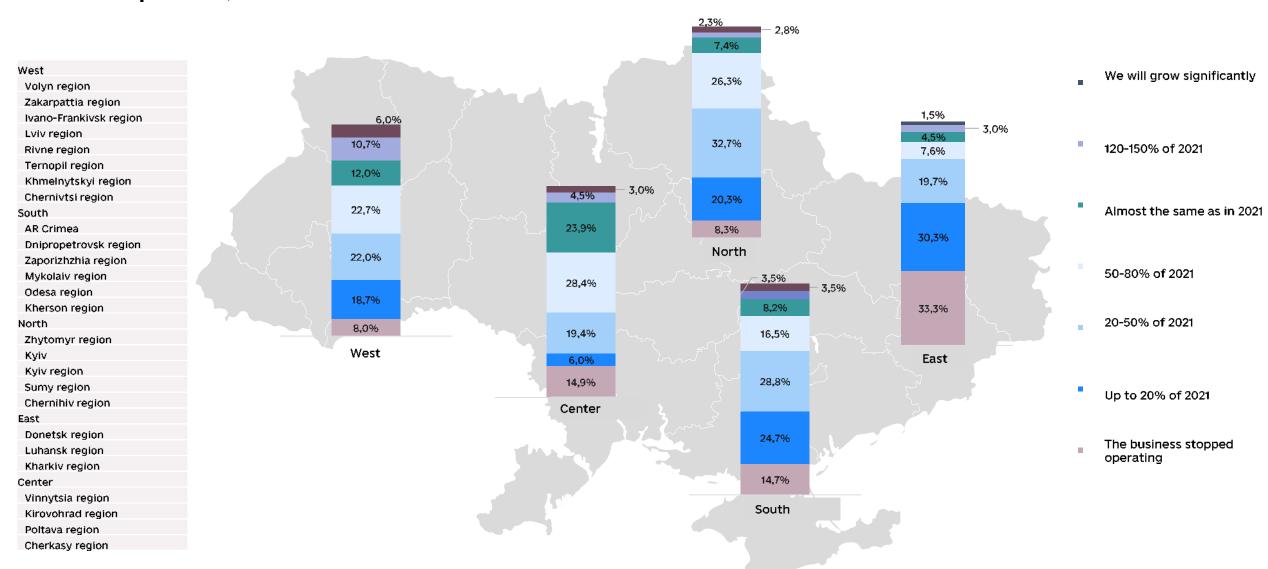
54%

| | Share in the total volume of sales (2020) | Expected volume of sales in 2022 (in relation to 2021) | | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--|
| | | 11.03 - 13.03 | 21.03 - 23.03 | 11.04 - 13.04 | 04.05 - 07.05 | 25.05 - 04.06 | 20.07 - 31.07 | 09.09 - 19.09 | |
| Micro enterprises (not including private entrepreneurs) | 6% | 40% | 61,2% | 71,8% | 48,2% | 43,0% | 44,6% | 48,7% | |
| Small enterprises | 12% | 47% | 49,3% | 61,7% | 45,2% | 50,5% | 51,7% | 51,9% | |
| Medium-sized enterprises | 39% | 38% | 29,2% | 47,3% | 57,3% | 57,3% | 63,8% | 76,8% | |

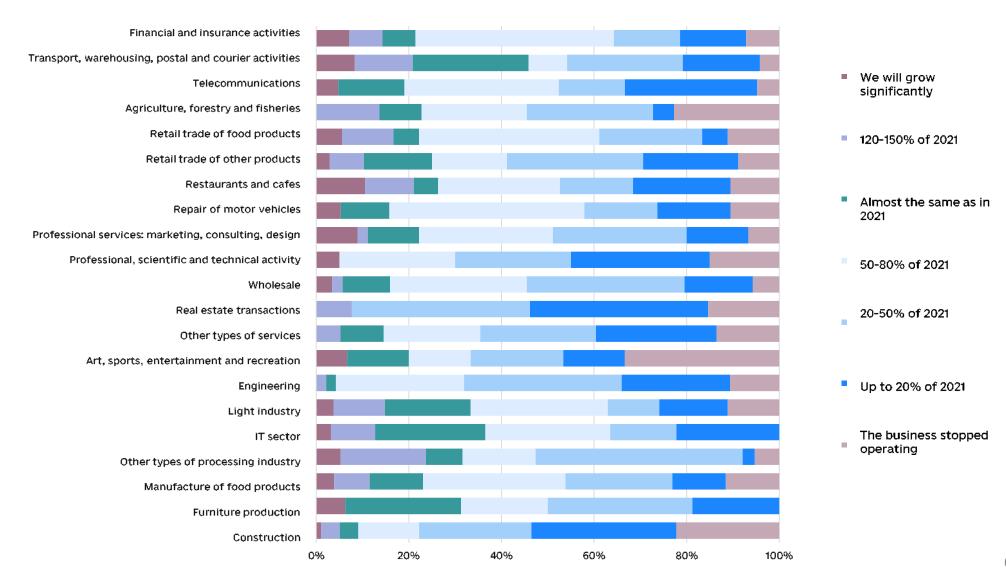
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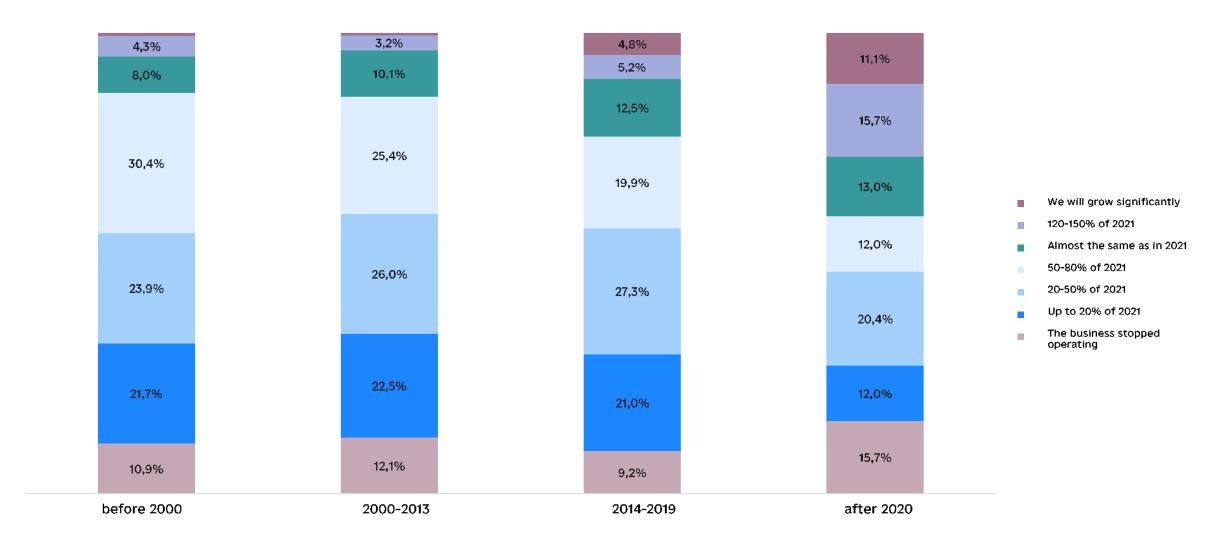
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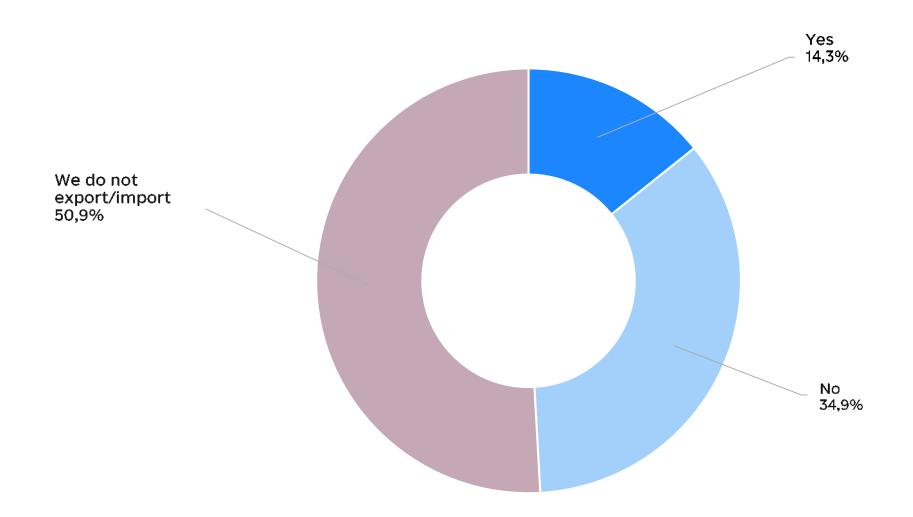
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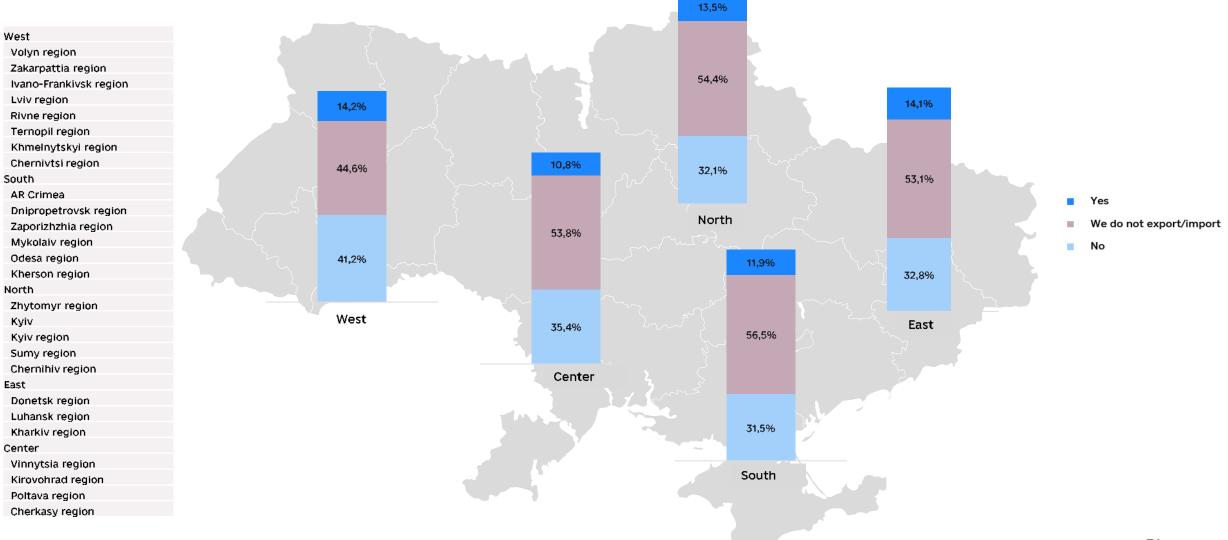
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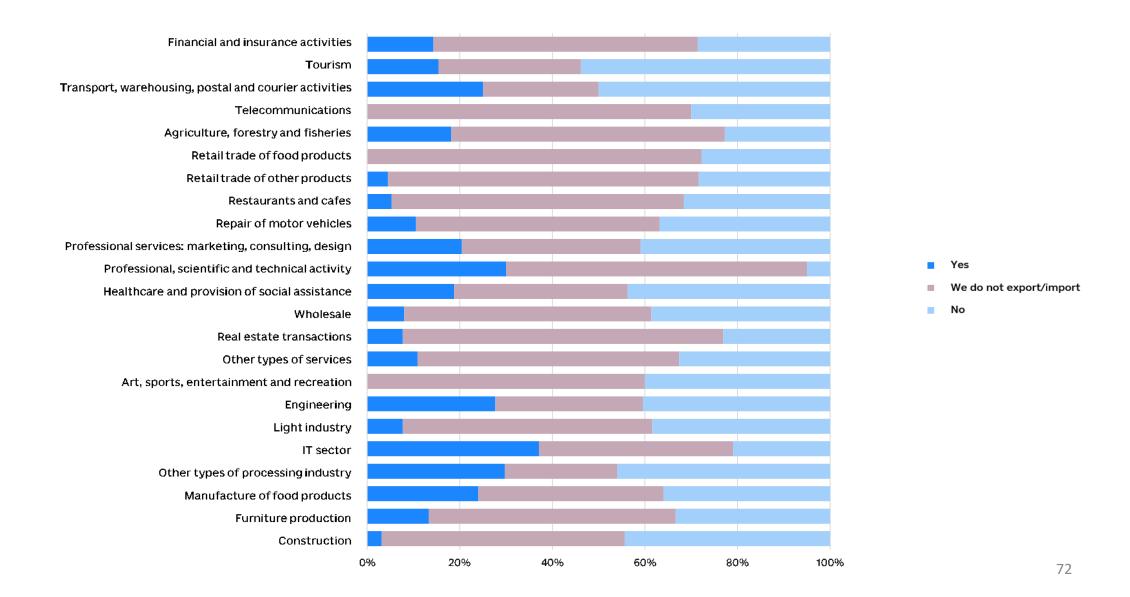
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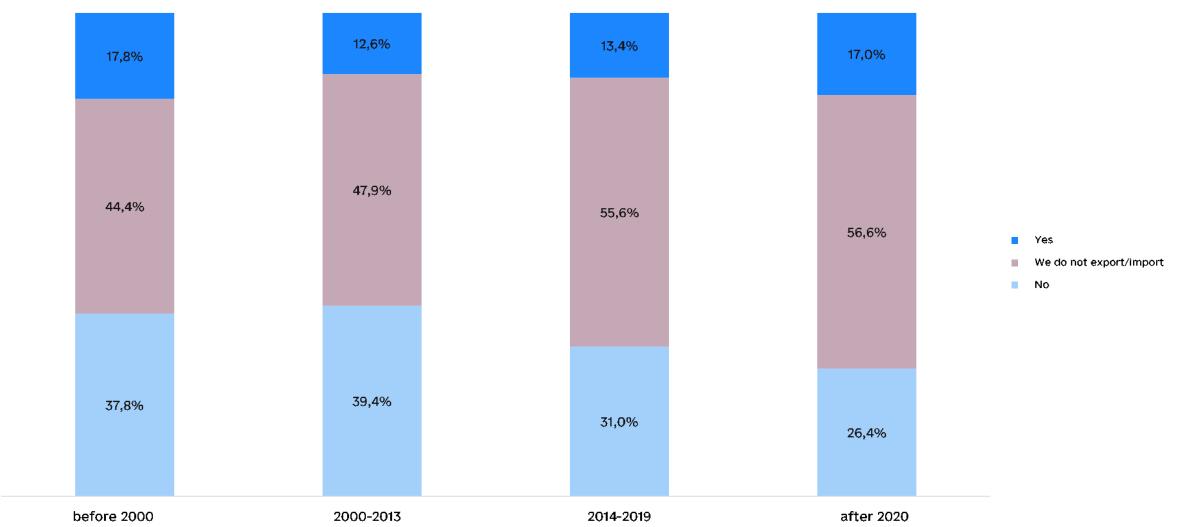
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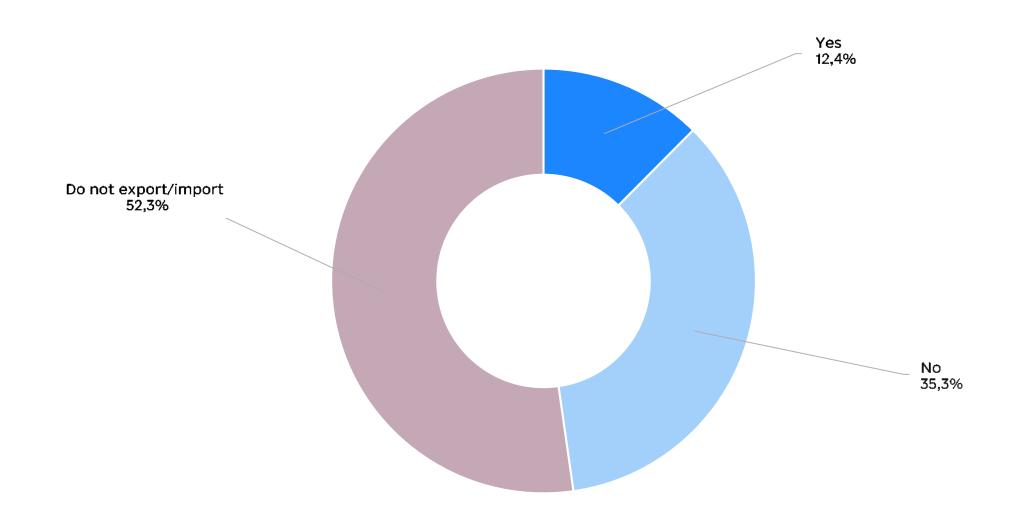
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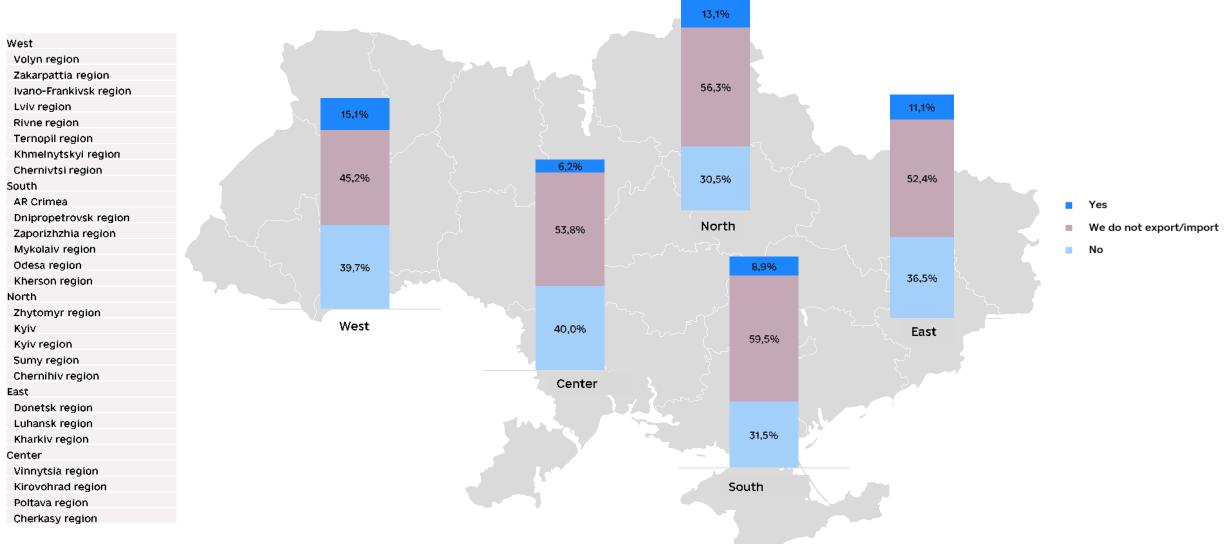
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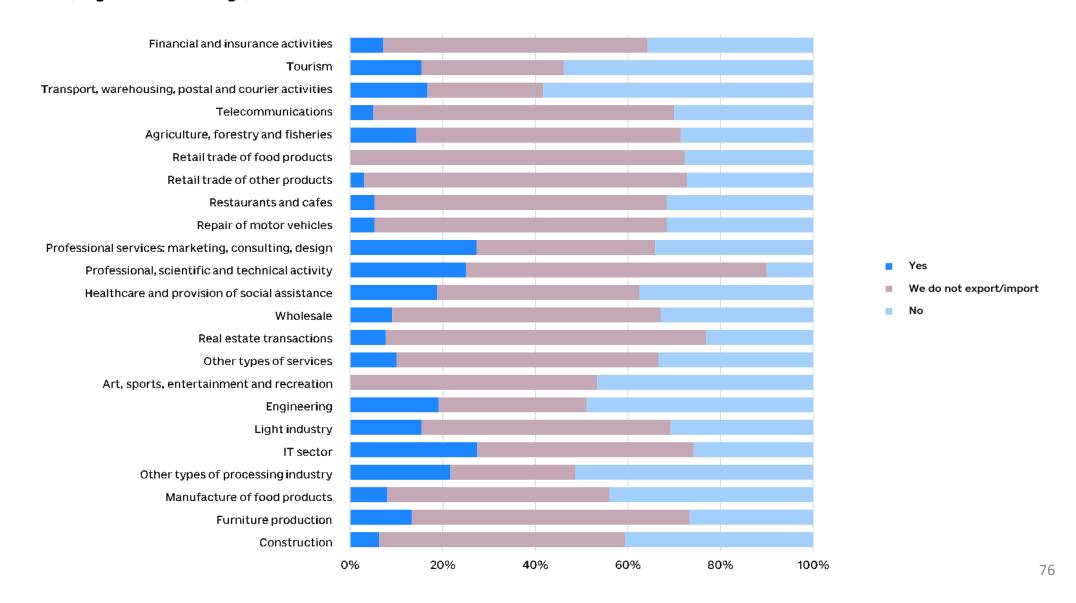
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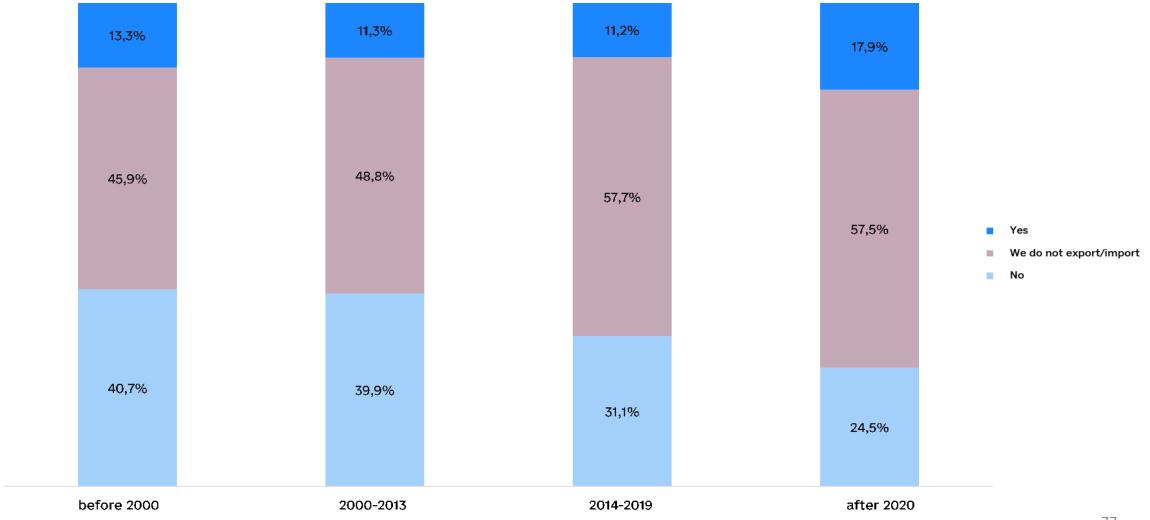
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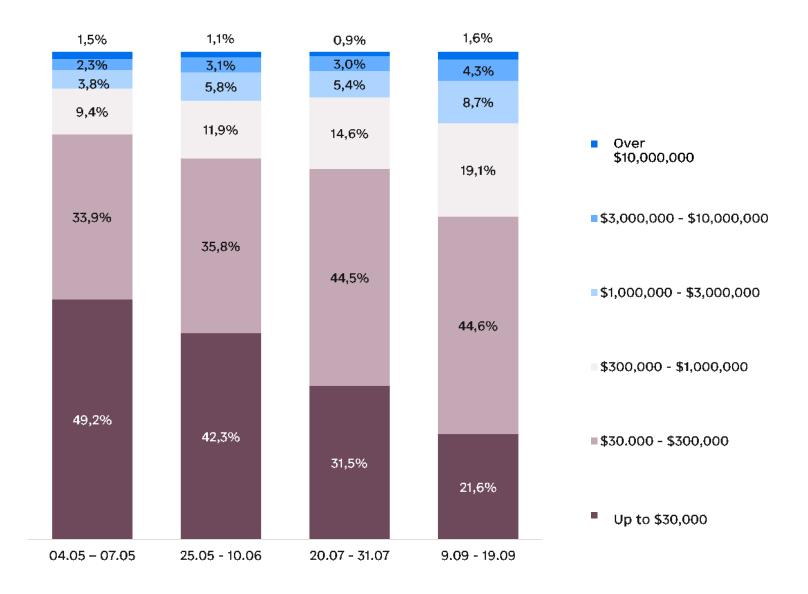
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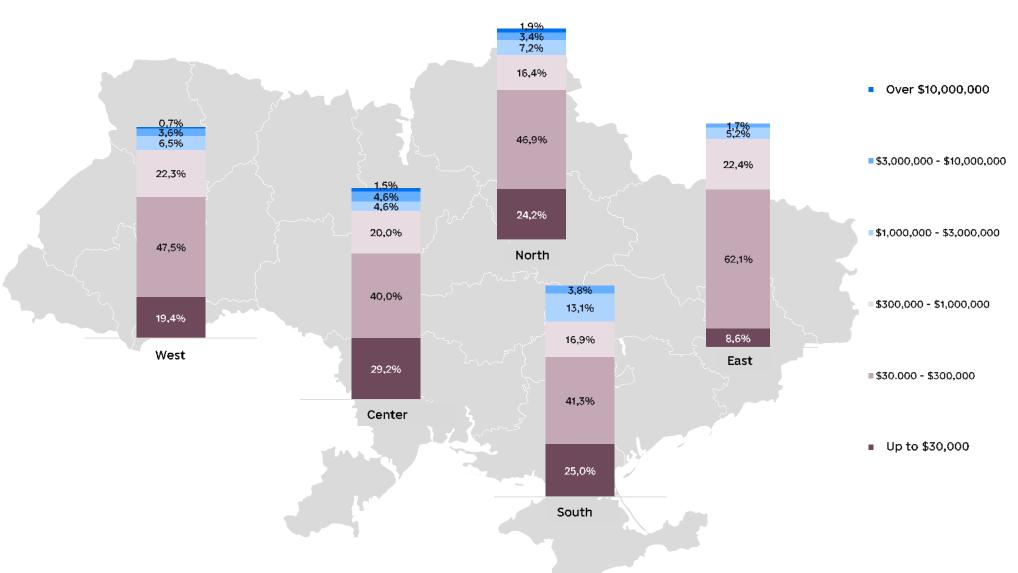


44.6% need from 1 to 10 million UAH

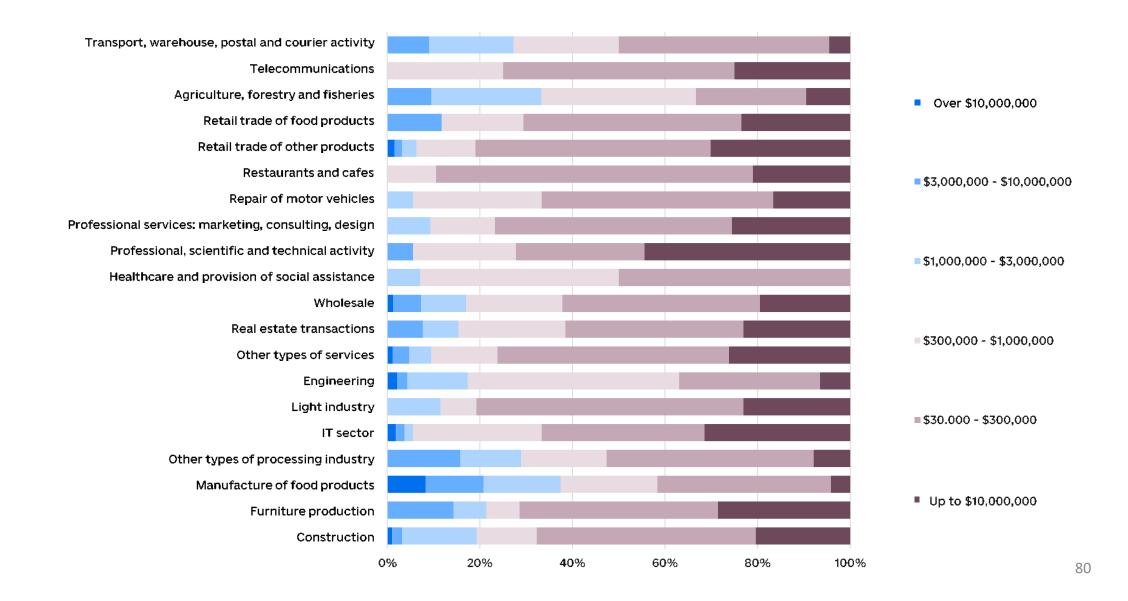
92.8% need within the limits of the program 0/5-7-9

Business need for financing

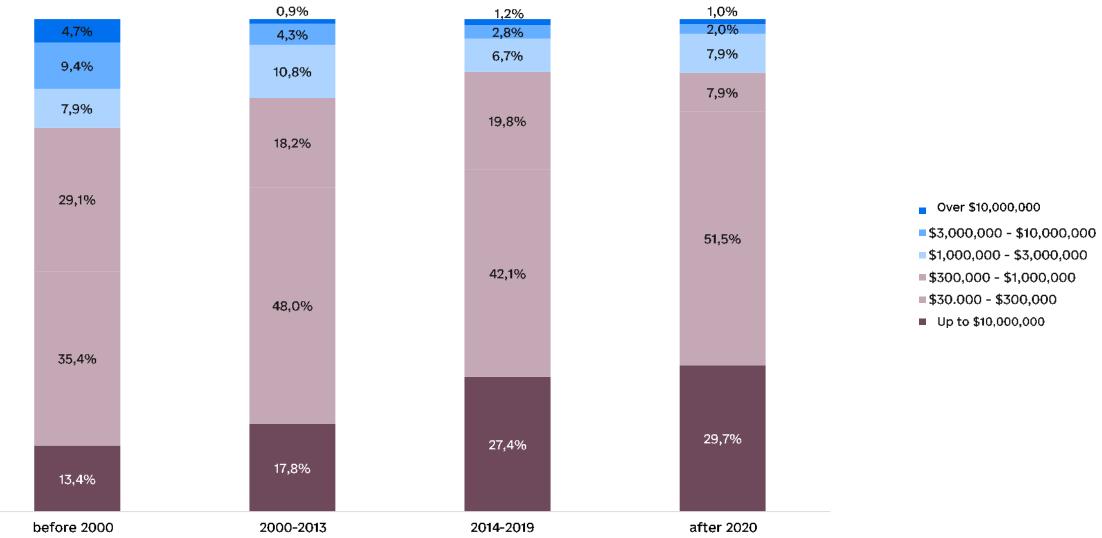




Business need for financing (by industry)



Business need for financing (year of the business establishment)

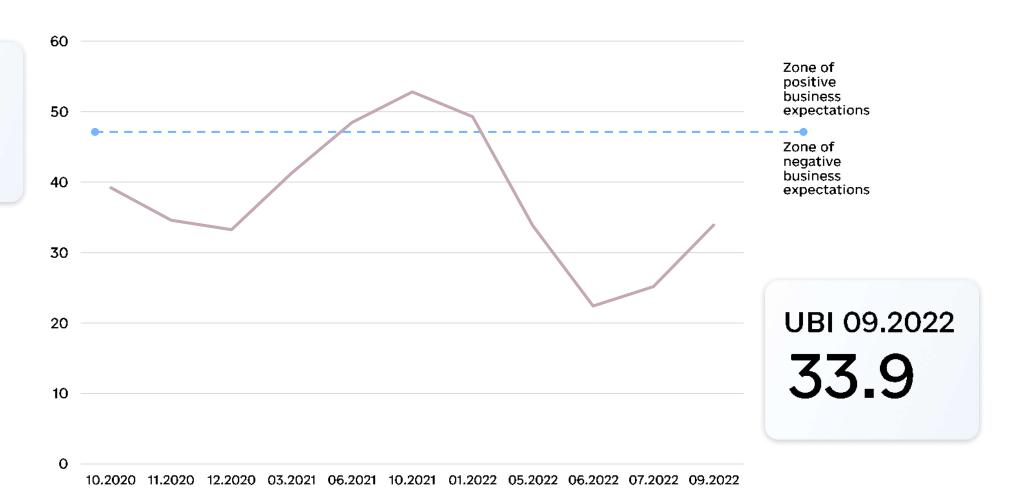


UBI - Ukrainian Business Index

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Maximum value

100



Index of business activity – regional cross-section (UBI – Ukrainian Business Index)

| 35,39 |
|-------|
| 34,02 |
| 44,29 |
| |
| 33,59 |
| 19,50 |
| 33,33 |
| 22,50 |
| 23,89 |
| |
| 36,77 |
| 31,29 |
| 27,39 |
| |
| 26,00 |
| |

| Luhansk region | 5,00 |
|---------------------|-------|
| Lviv region | 29,79 |
| Mykolaiv region | 25,83 |
| Odesa region | 31,36 |
| Poltava region | 29,88 |
| Rivne region | 24,44 |
| Sumy region | 37,50 |
| | |
| Ternopil region | 32,78 |
| Kharkiv region | 20,12 |
| Kherson region | 0,83 |
| Khmelnytskyi region | 27,40 |
| Cherkasy region | 25,77 |
| Chernivtsi region | 33,61 |
| Chernihiv region | 27,78 |
| AR Crimea | 0,00 |
| | |

Maximum value

100

UBI 09.2022

33.9

Index of business activity – industrial cross-section (UBI – Ukrainian Business Index)

| Agriculture, forestry and fisheries | 21,02 |
|---|-------|
| Mining and quarrying industry | |
| | 30,00 |
| Engineering | 18,46 |
| Manufacture of food products | 35,77 |
| Light industry | 41,85 |
| Other types of processing industry | 34,47 |
| Supply of electricity, gas, steam and | · |
| air conditioning | 22,92 |
| Water supply, sewage and waste management | 22,08 |
| Construction | 19,65 |
| Wholesale | 34,06 |
| Retail trade of food products | 38,89 |
| Retail trade of other products | 00,00 |
| itelan trade of other products | 34,23 |
| Transport, warehousing, postal and courier activities | 44.4 |
| | 44,17 |
| Restaurants and cafes | 40,26 |

| Hotel business | 42,50 |
|--|-------|
| IT sector | 35,8 |
| Telecommunications | 28,10 |
| Financial and insurance activities | 30,00 |
| Real estate transactions | 19,2 |
| Professional, scientific and technical activity | 23,88 |
| Media | 22,8 |
| Professional services: marketing, consulting, design | 44,6 |
| Activities in the field of administrative and auxiliary services | 25,4 |
| Repair of motor vehicles | 21,58 |
| Education | 25,7 |
| Healthcare and provision of social assistance | 39,2 |
| Arts, sports, entertainment and recreation | 27,50 |
| Other types of services | 26,7 |
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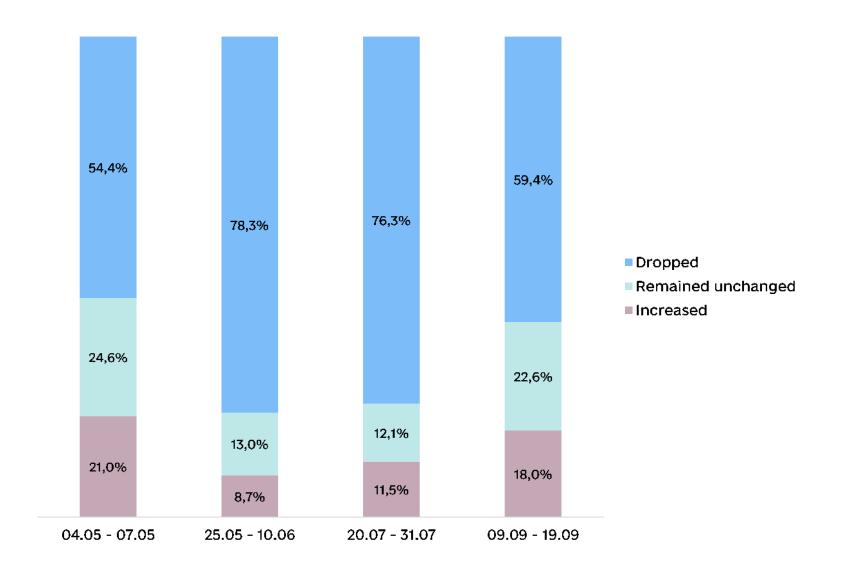
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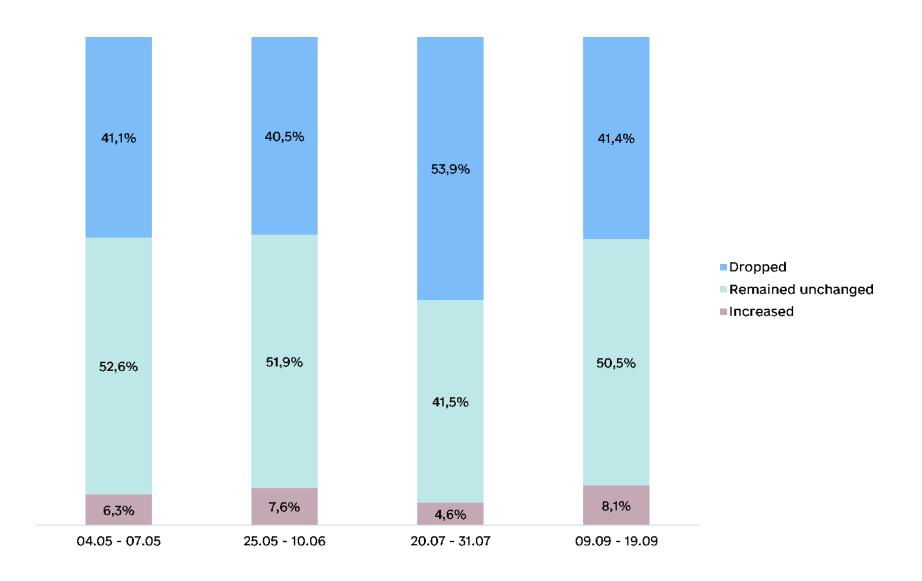
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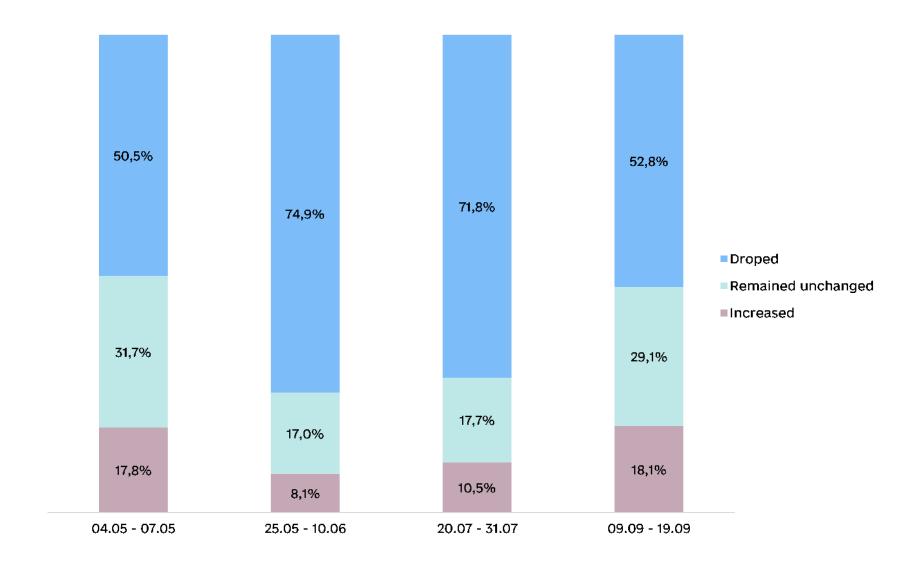
How has the number of customer orders received by the business changed over the past month?



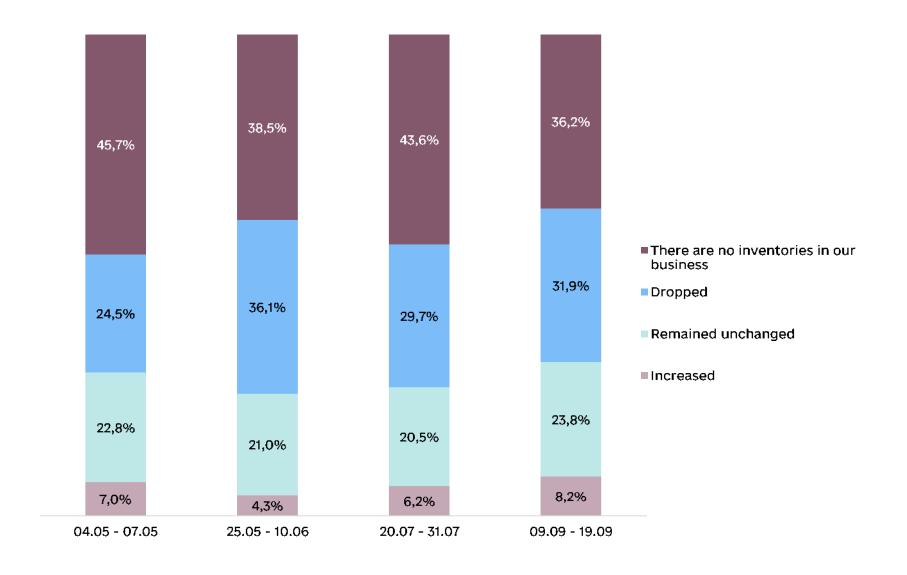
How has the number of employees (full-time and part-time) changed over the past month?



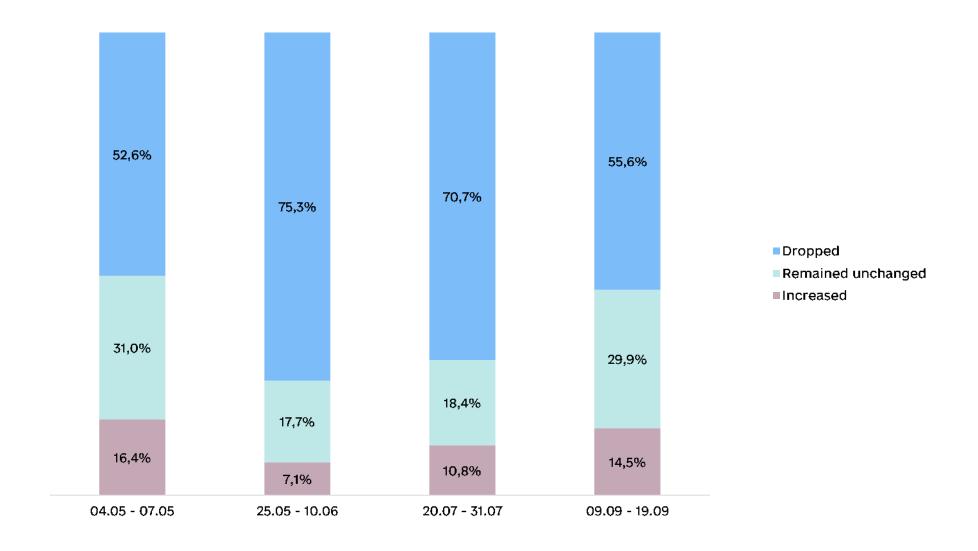
How has the volume of output of products/provided services changed over the past month?



How has the overall inventory level changed over the last month?

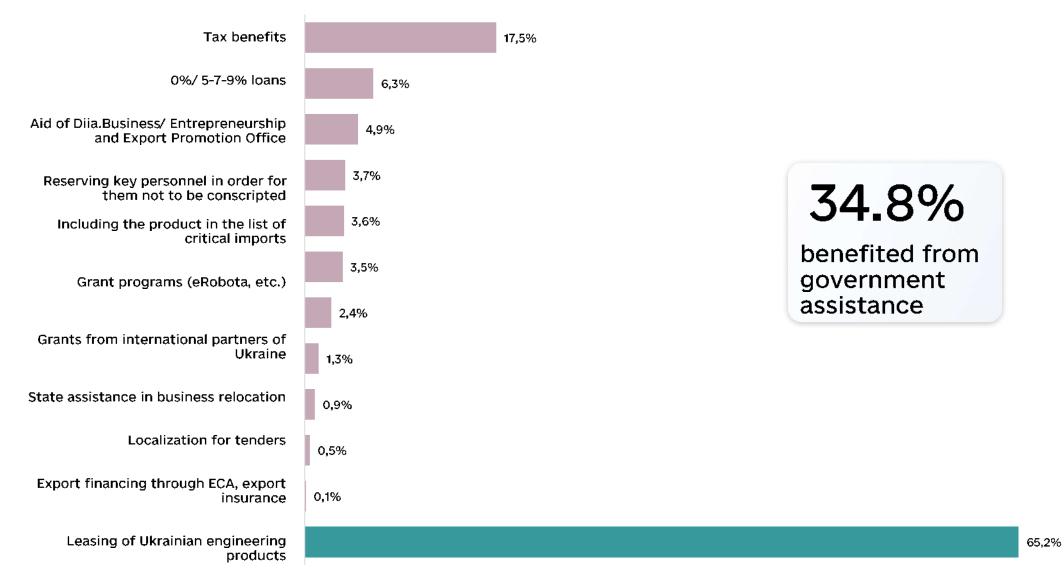


How has the number of your orders to your suppliers changed over the past month?

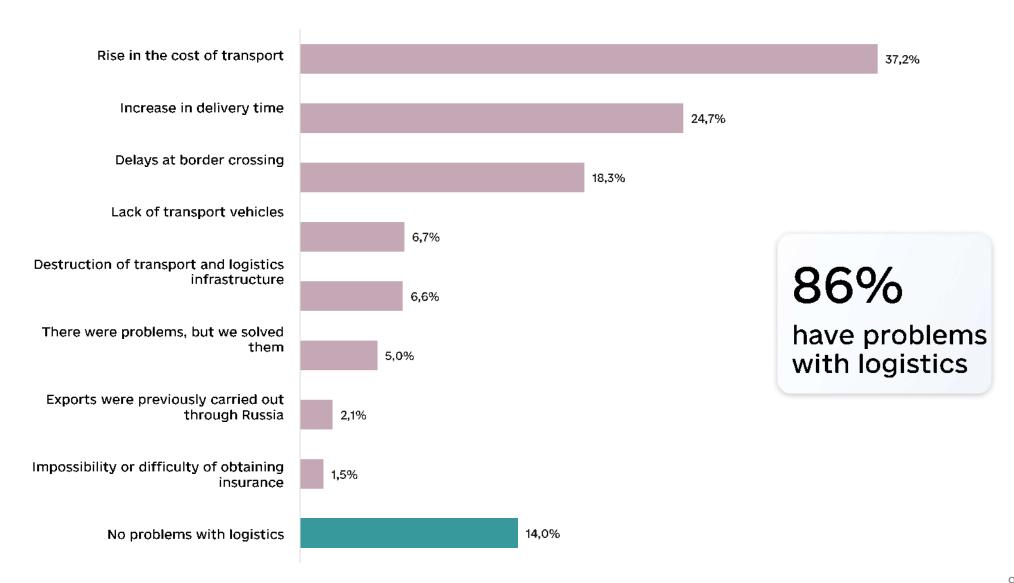


Problems and solutions

What types of government assistance have you used since 24.02?



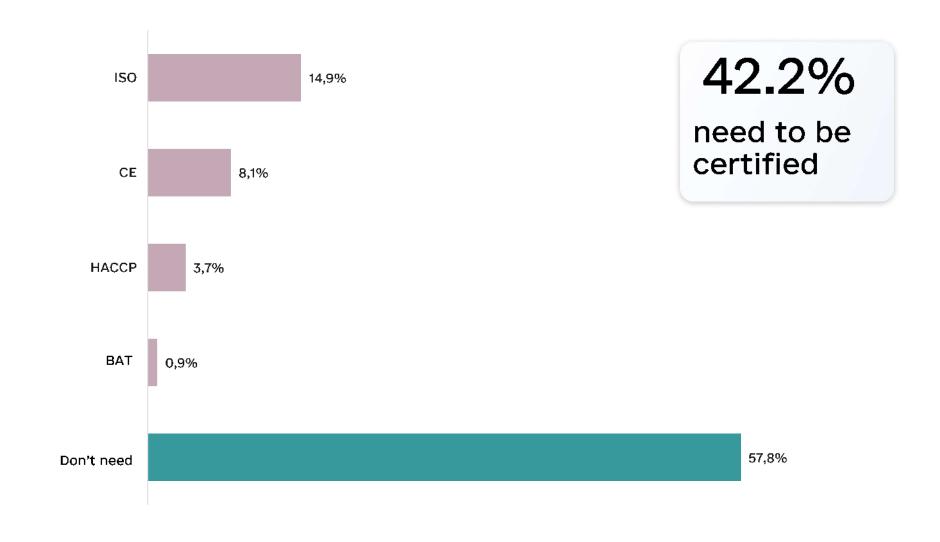
What logistical problems do you face when exporting? (TOP-3 options)



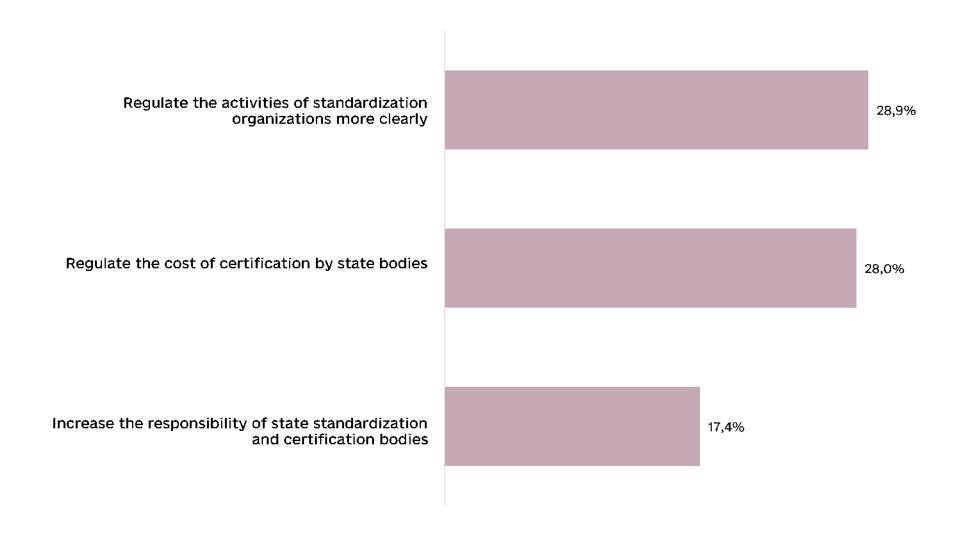
What problems do you see for the conclusion and execution of a foreign economic contract in electronic form or by issuing an electronic invoice?



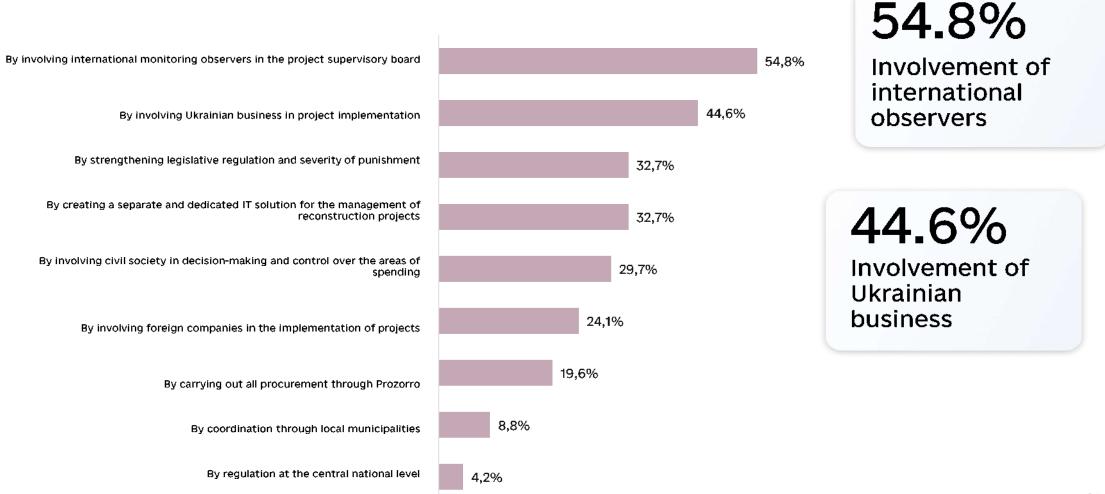
What certification does your company need for export?



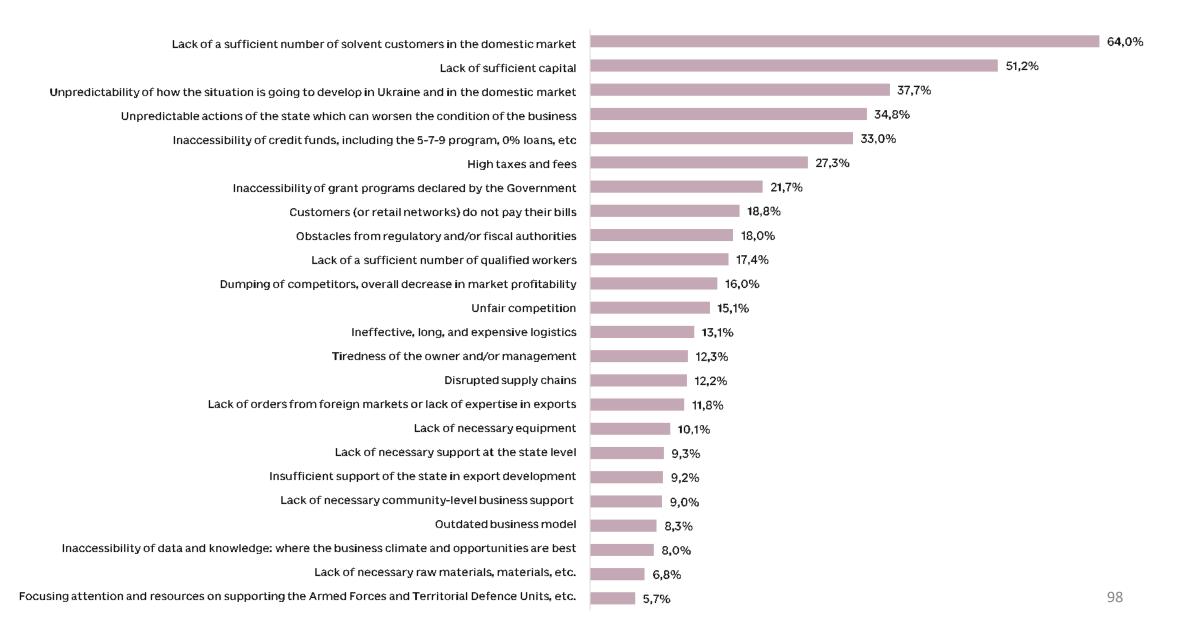
What do you think should be simplified in the legislation on certification?



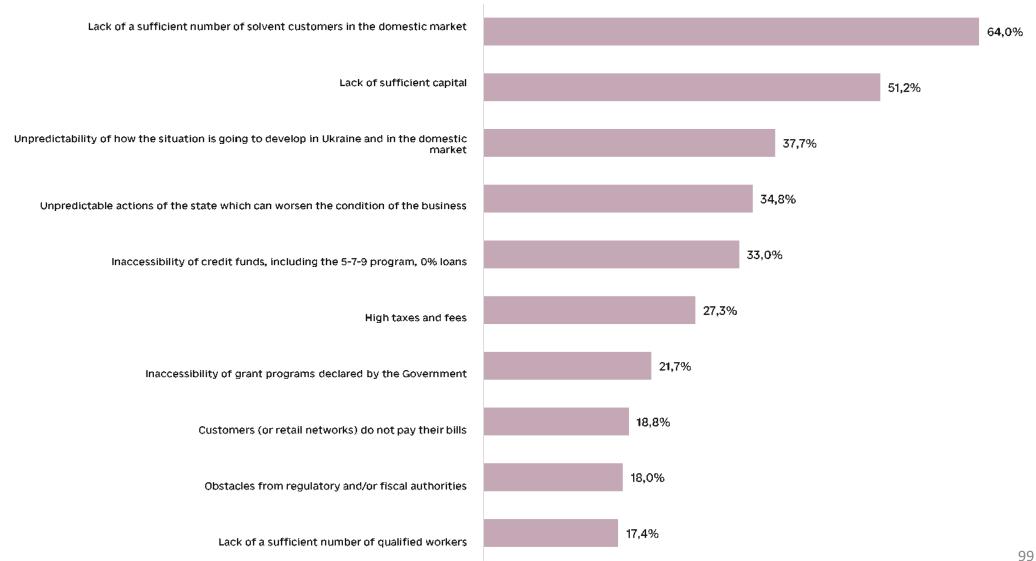
How, in your opinion, can transparency and efficiency of spending on the reconstruction of the country be ensured? (choose TOP 3 main ones)



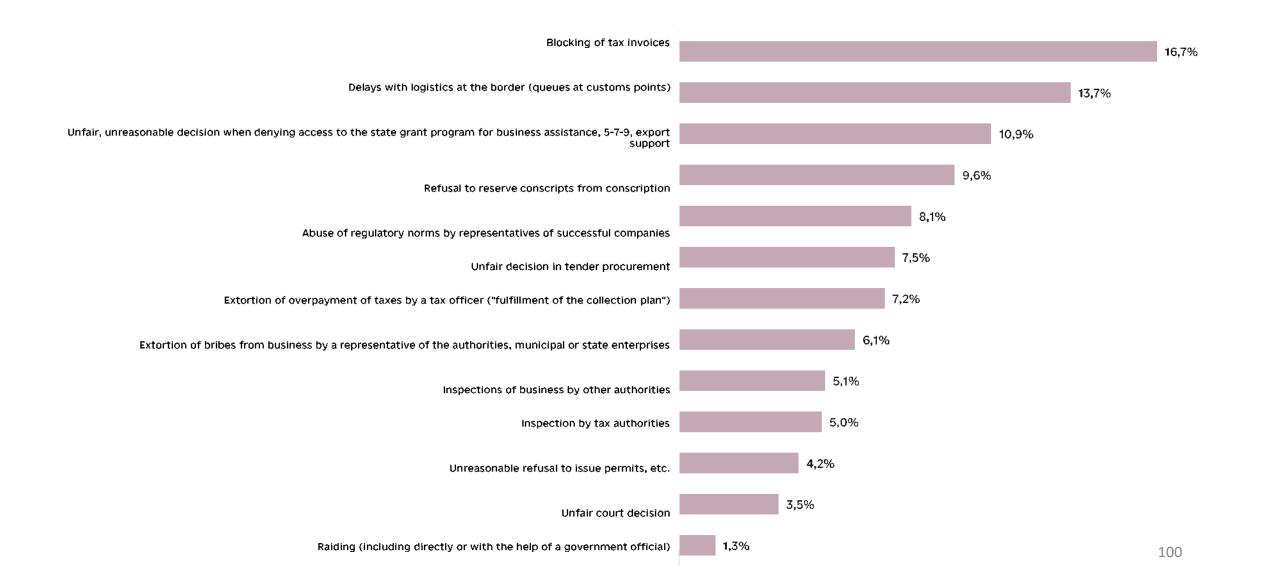
What prevents you from restoring and developing your business now?



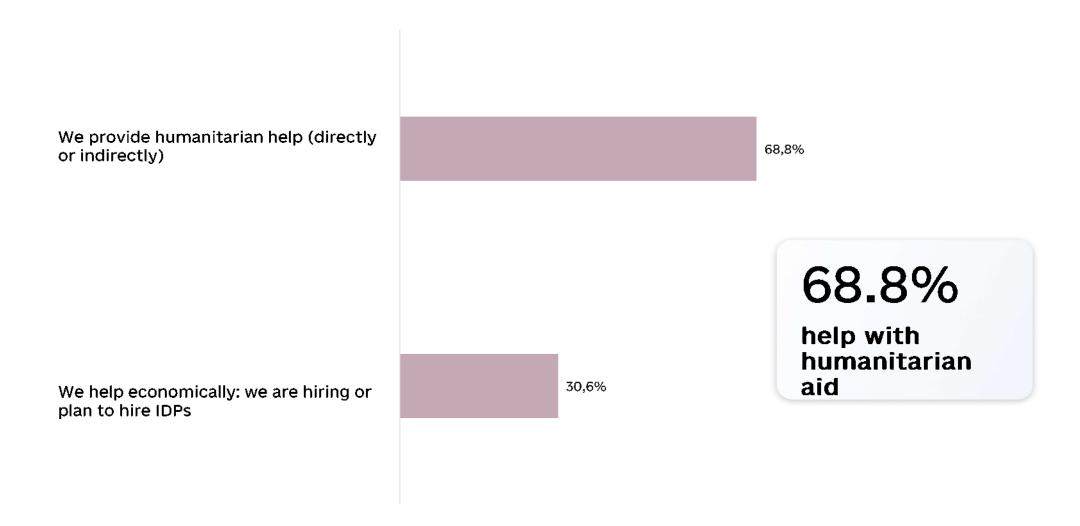
What prevents you from restoring and developing your business now? Top 10 issues



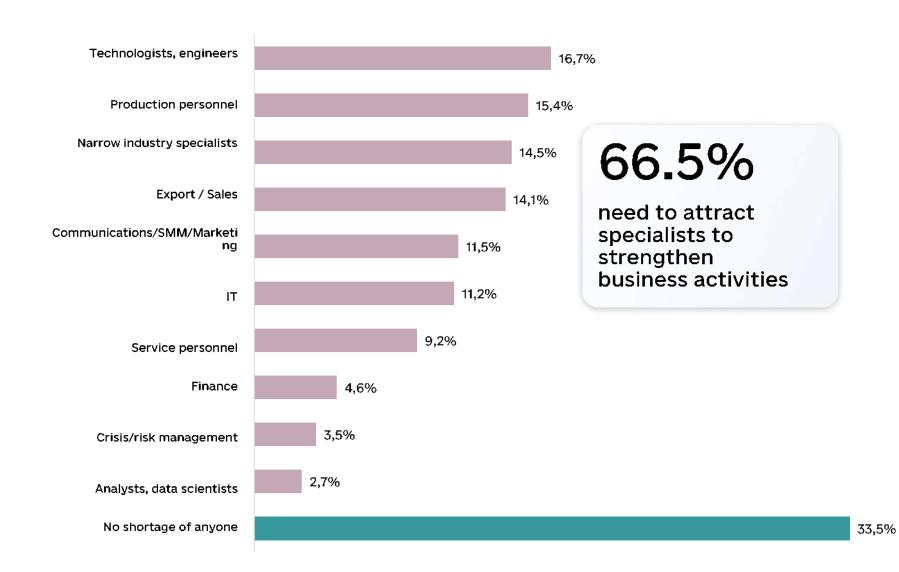
What problems in relations with the authorities did your business face in the last 2 months?



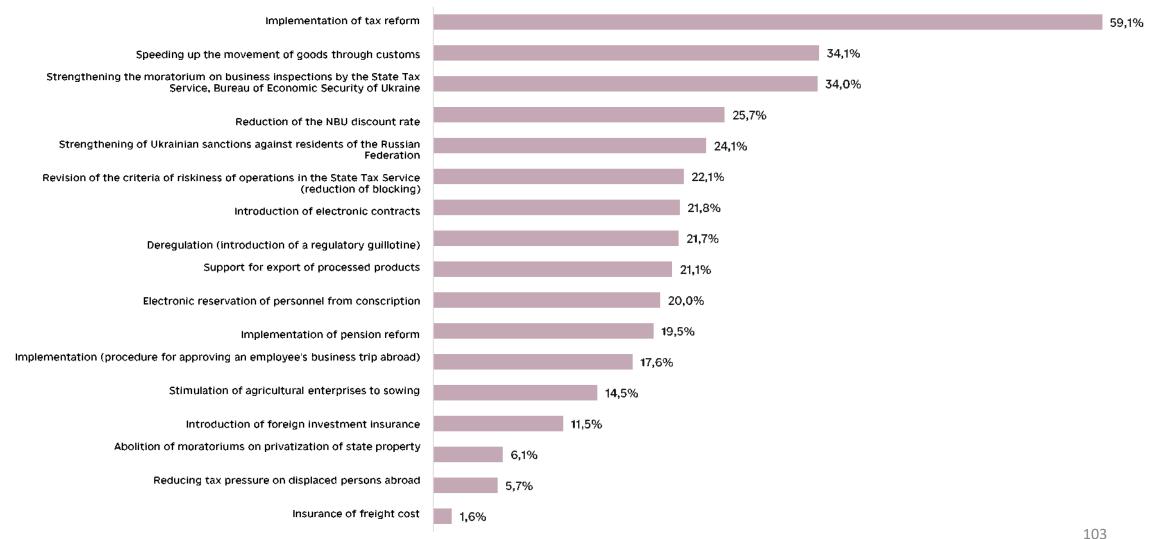
What is your business attitude towards internally displaced persons (IDPs)?



What specialists do you lack now to strengthen business activities in Ukraine?



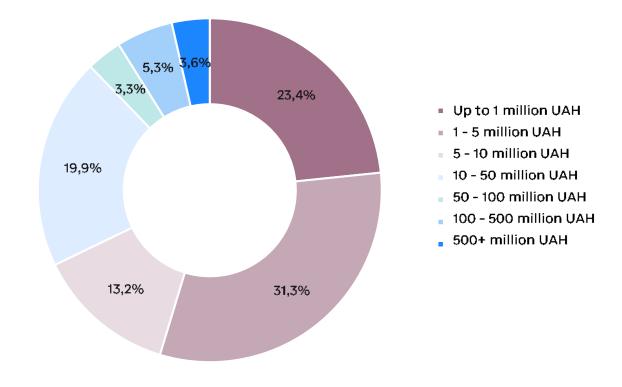
Which of these tasks are the most important for the economic block to solve and implement (TOP-5)



Passport block

8th wave of research

Business turnover in 2021



Survey geography, **Wave 8.** Region of main business activity

| Whole Ukraine | 22,1% |
|------------------------|-------|
| Vinnytsia region | 2,7% |
| Volyn region | 1,6% |
| Dnipropetrovsk region | 8,0% |
| Donetsk region | 1,7% |
| Zhytomyr region | 1,7% |
| Zakarpattia region | 1,5% |
| Zaporizhzhia region | 4,2% |
| Ivano-Frankivsk region | 2,8% |
| Kyiv region | 7,0% |
| Kyiv | 13,6% |
| Kirovohrad region | 1,2% |
| Luhansk region | 1,0% |
| Lviv region | 5,6% |
| Mykolaiv region | 2,1% |
| Odesa region | 4,1% |
| Poltava region | 2,4% |
| Rivne region | 1,0% |
| Sumy region | 1,9% |
| Ternopil region | 1,0% |
| Kharkiv region | 4,9% |
| Kherson region | 1,4% |
| Khmelnytskyi region | 2,8% |
| Cherkasy region | 1,5% |
| Chernivtsi region | 1,0% |
| Chernihiv region | 1,0% |
| AR Crimea | 0% |
| | |

Structure of macro-regions





Industries of respondents

| Agriculture, forestry and fisheries | 2,5% |
|--|-------|
| Mining and quarrying | 0,2% |
| Engineering | 5,4% |
| Manufacture of food products | 3,0% |
| Light industry | 3,1% |
| Furniture production | 1,9% |
| Other types of processing industry | 4,4% |
| Supply of electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning | 0,7% |
| Water supply, sewage and waste management | 0,7% |
| Construction | 11,5% |
| Wholesale | 10,2% |
| Retail trade of food products | 2,1% |
| Retail trade of other products | 7,9% |
| Transport, warehousing, postal and courier activities | 2,8% |
| Restaurants and cafes | 2,2% |
| Hotel business | 0,2% |
| Tourism | 1,5% |
| IT sector | 7,3% |
| Telecommunications | 2,4% |
| Financial and insurance activities | 1,6% |
| Real estate transactions | 1,5% |
| Professional, scientific and technical activity | 2,3% |
| Media | 0,8% |
| Professional services: marketing, consulting, design | 5,2% |
| Activities in the field of administrative and auxiliary services | 0,7% |
| Repair of motor vehicles | 2,2% |
| Education | 0,8% |
| Healthcare and provision of social assistance | 1,9% |
| Arts, sports, entertainment and recreation | 1,7% |
| Other types of services | 11,1% |
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