



# CHANGES IN CHILDREN'S LIVES DURING THE WAR

Analytical report

April 2022



**Data collection method:** a survey self-administered via the mobile application.



**Target audience of the survey:** Ukrainian men and women between the ages of 18 and 60, who live in cities with a population of over 50,000 and have children aged  $\leq 18$ .



**Number of successful interviews:** 784.

Total number of children: 1179

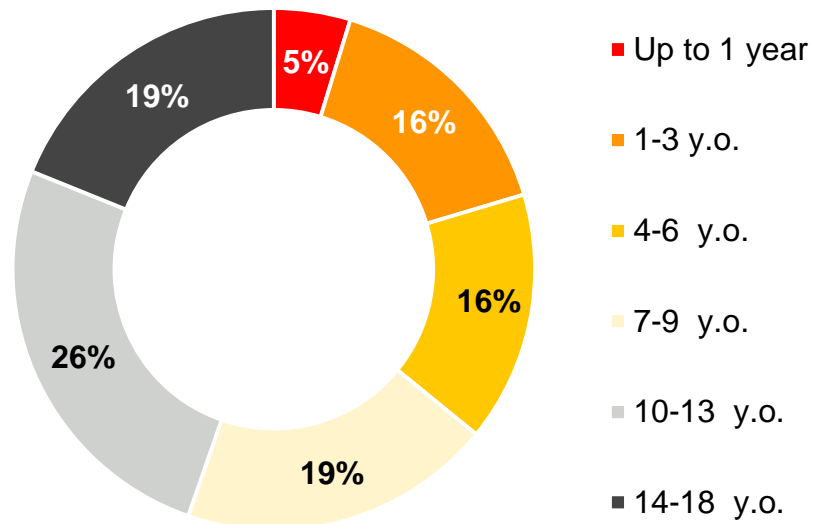
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**Field period of the survey:** April 26 - April 27, 2022. |

# SAMPLE STRUCTURE

## Number of children by age groups

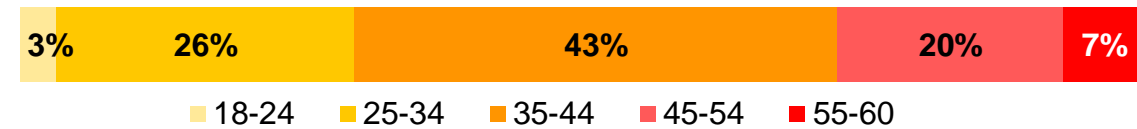


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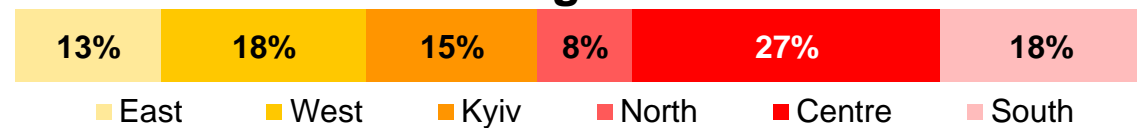
## Gender



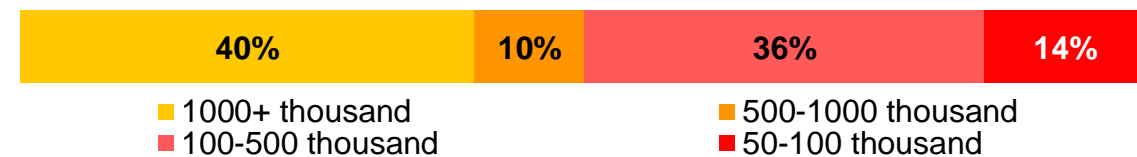
## Age



## Region

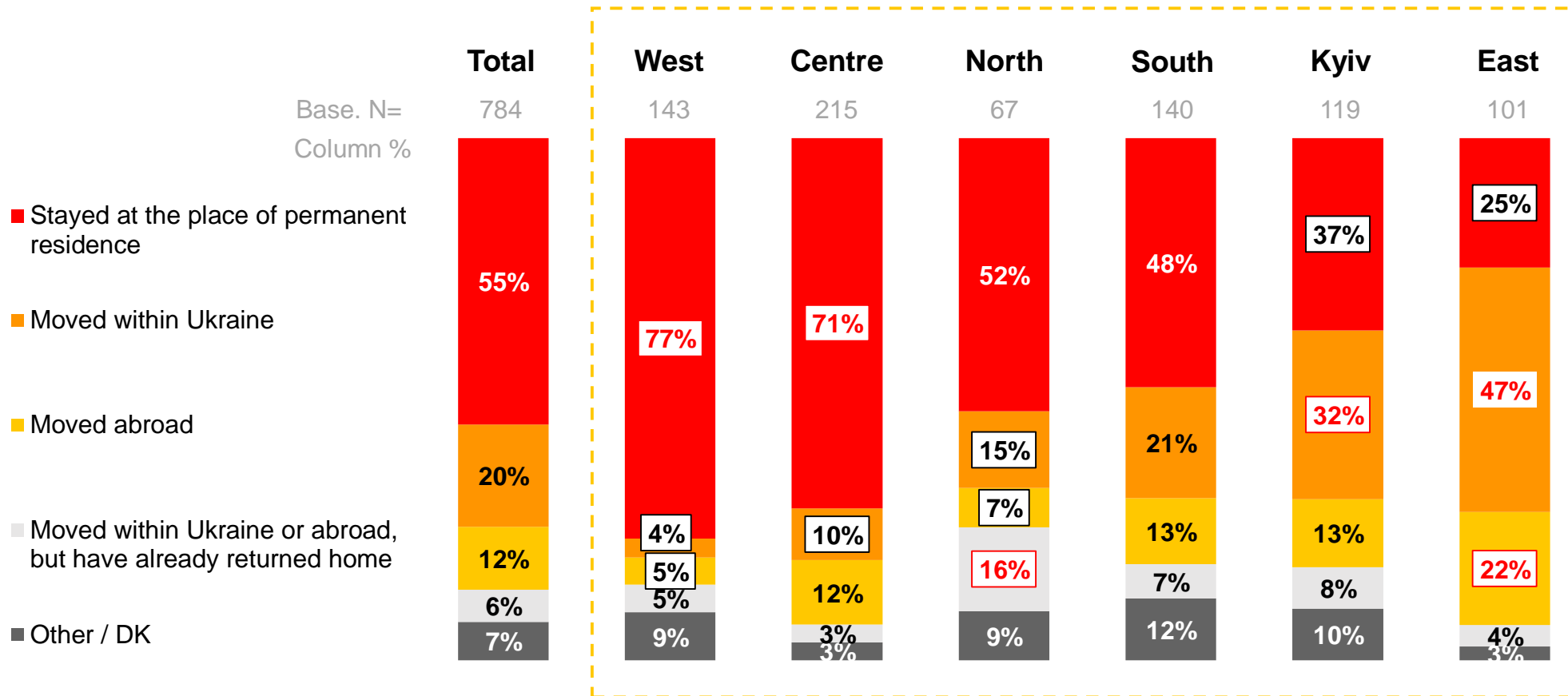


## Size of settlement



# MIGRATION DURING THE WAR

The majority remained at their permanent places of residence, but it is mainly due to them residing in regions remote from hostilities. 48-77% of the respondents have left the Eastern, Southern, Northern regions, and Kyiv.



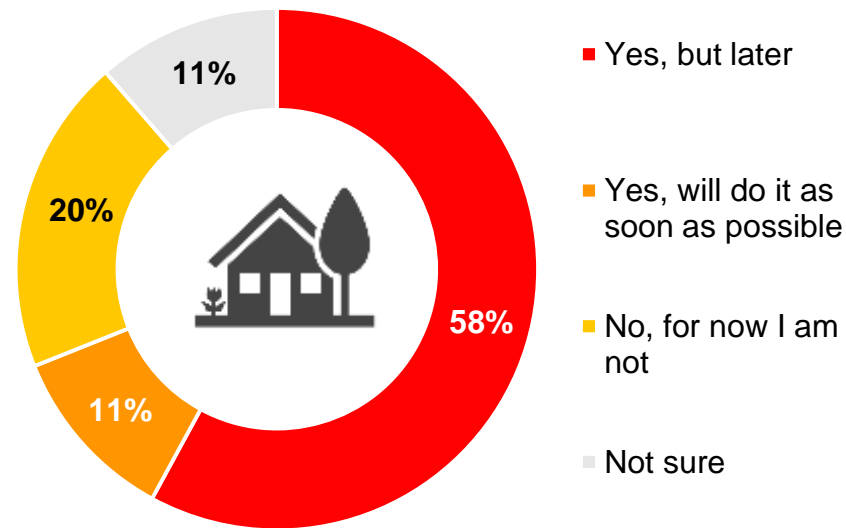
Which of the following statements best suits you and your child, if you take into account the time since the beginning of the full-scale war between Russia and Ukraine?

Statistically significant differences **higher** / **lower**, compared to the total sample.

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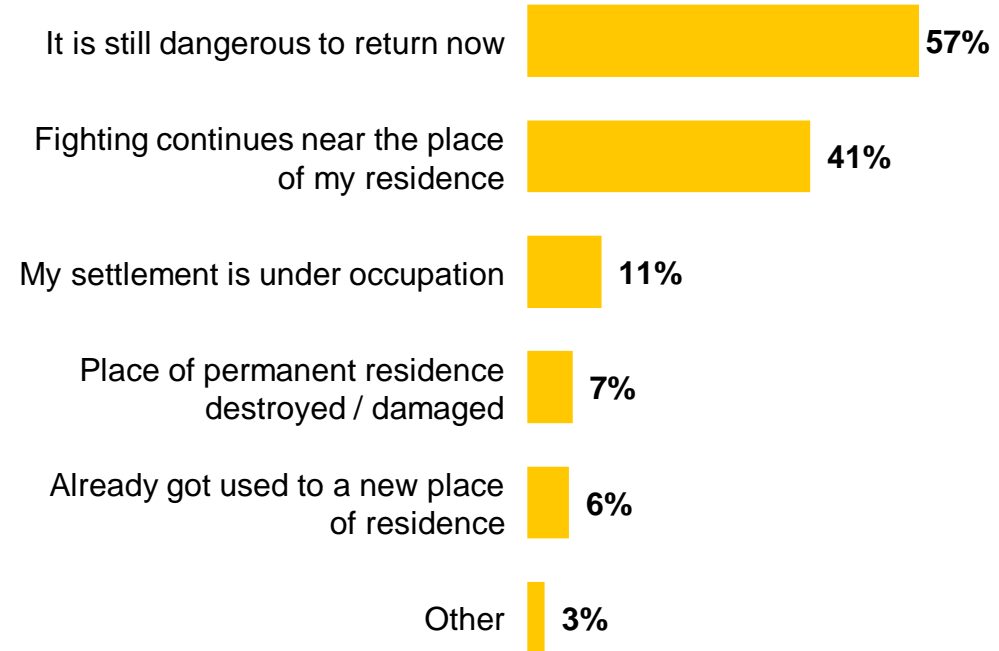
# RETURNING TO THE PLACE OF PERMANENT RESIDENCE

## Are you considering returning to the place of your permanent residence?



Number of respondents: 248 (those who left their place of residence and have not returned yet)

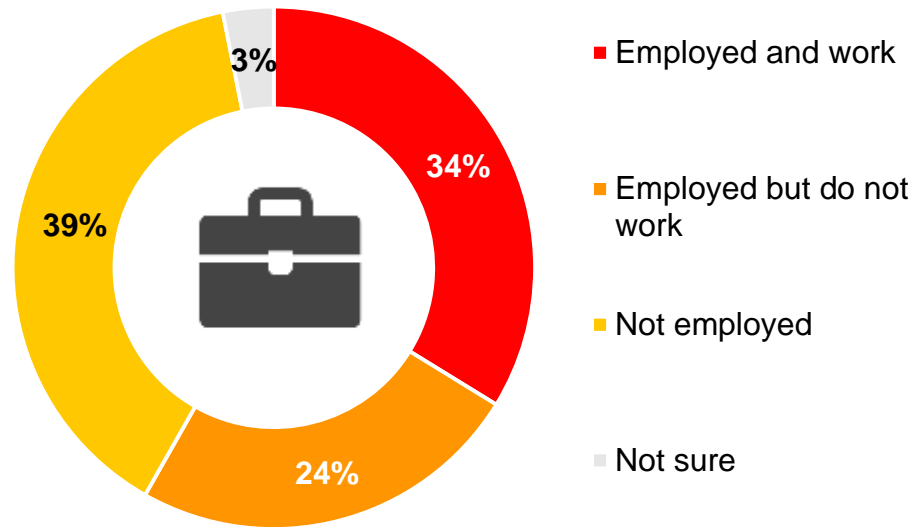
## Why not?



Number of respondents: 193 (those who left their place of residence and have not returned yet)

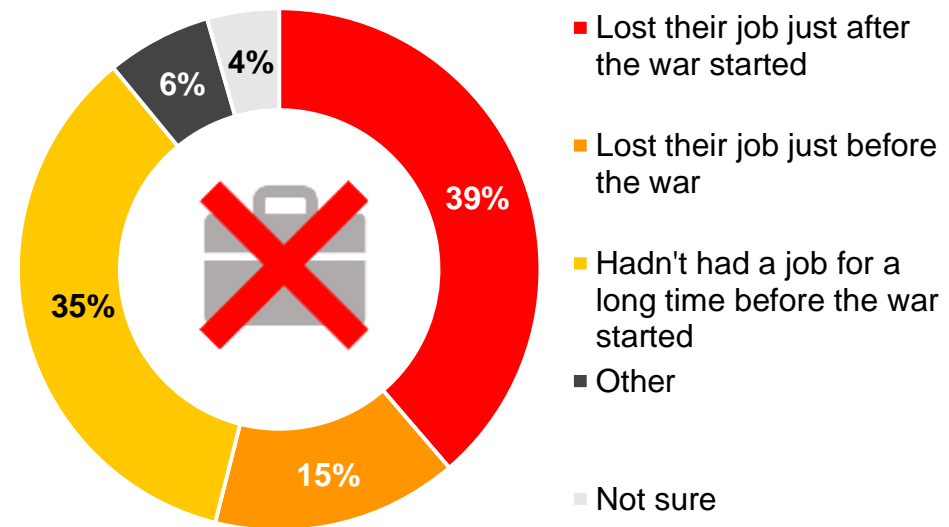
# EMPLOYMENT STATUS

## Current status:



Number of respondents: 784

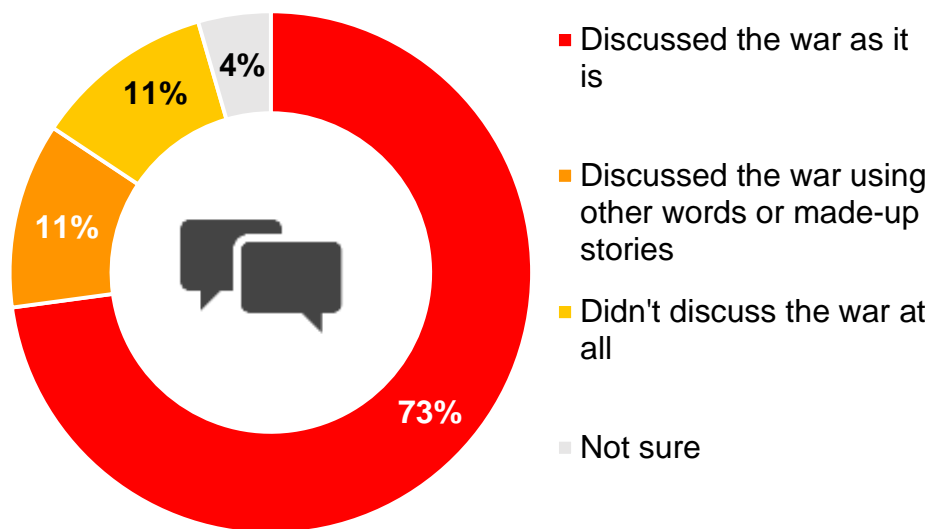
## How long since becoming unemployed:



Number of respondents: 303 (those who are currently unemployed)

# TALKING TO CHILDREN ABOUT THE WAR

## The majority of parents used the word “war” while talking about the war with their kids



Number of children aged 4-18 y.o.: 939

Statistically significant differences **higher** / **lower**, compared to the total sample.

## Why did parents not talk about the war at all or use other words and stories?

Reason	Total	Age groups (children)			
		4-6 y.o.	7-9 y.o.	10-13 y.o.	14-18 y.o.
Column %	N=	63	52	70	27*
They tried to protect the child from emotional shock	32%	35%	33%	34%	22%
The child is too young to discuss the war	29%	44%	55%	5%	5%
There is no need - the child already understands everything	27%	4%	15%	50%	46%
They do not know how to talk to a child about this	14%	18%	16%	11%	14%
They are afraid of further questions that they won't be able to answer	9%	18%	7%	2%	10%
Other reasons	0.3%	1%			

\*small number of cases

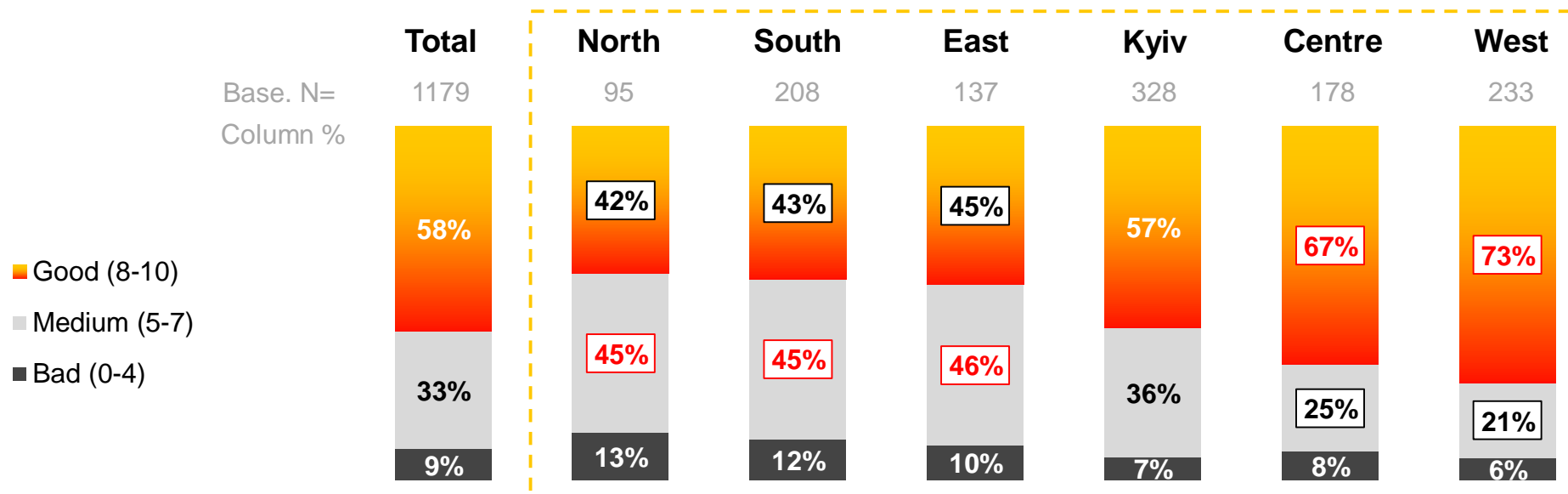
Number of children whose parents have not discussed the war with them or discussed the war using other words (by age): 213

# MENTAL HEATH STATUS OF THE CHILDREN

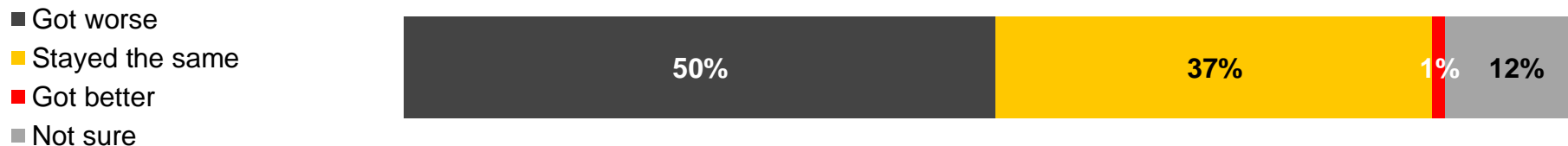
on a scale of 0 to 10\*

\*assessed by their parents

## Current mental health status:



## Changes in the mental health status compared to the pre-war period:

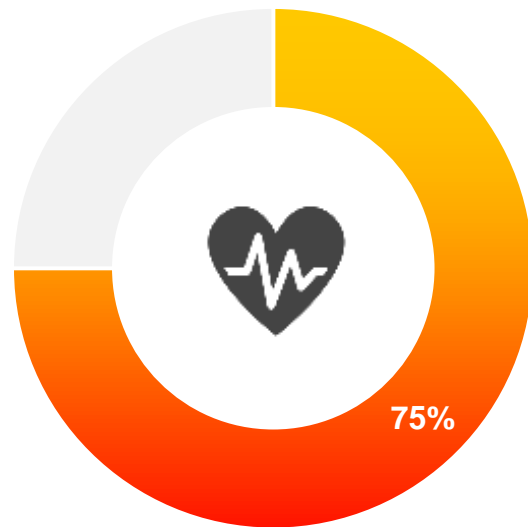


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# HEALTH STATUS: SPECIAL SYMPTOMS

**3/4 of children had special symptoms after the full-scaled war started**



Number of children: 1179

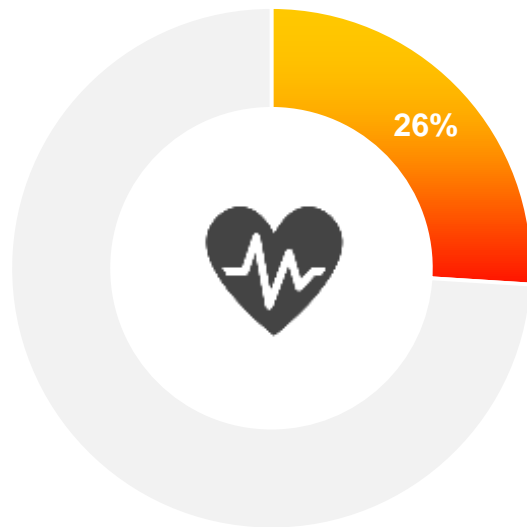
**The variety of symptoms:**



Number of children: 889 (those who had special symptoms \ behavior changes)

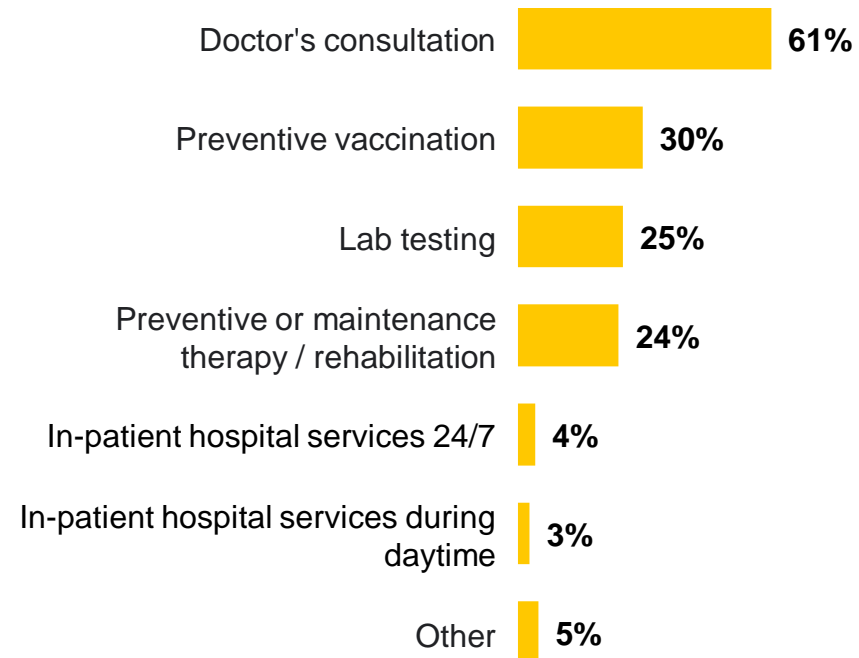
# MEDICAL SERVICES

**A quarter of children have needed medical care since the beginning of the full-scale war**



Number of children: 1179

**The most common needs are:**



Number of children: 309 (those who have needed medical care)

# MEDICAL SERVICES

## NEEDED VS RECEIVED



	Column % Base. N=	Total	East	West	Kyiv	North	Centre	South
		309	60	39	56	30	57	66
Doctor's consultation		28%	32%	36%	25%	36%	17%	27%
Preventive or maintenance therapy / rehabilitation		17%	19%	8%	18%	11%	7%	29%
Preventive vaccination		16%	26%	14%	17%	9%	15%	12%
Lab testing		13%	10%	20%	19%	13%	6%	10%
In-patient hospital services during daytime		3%	2%	5%	2%	5%	3%	1%
In-patient hospital services 24/7		1%	2%	5%	1%			
Other		3%	12%		4%		1%	1%
Everything managed to receive		40%	19%	37%	40%	53%	55%	41%

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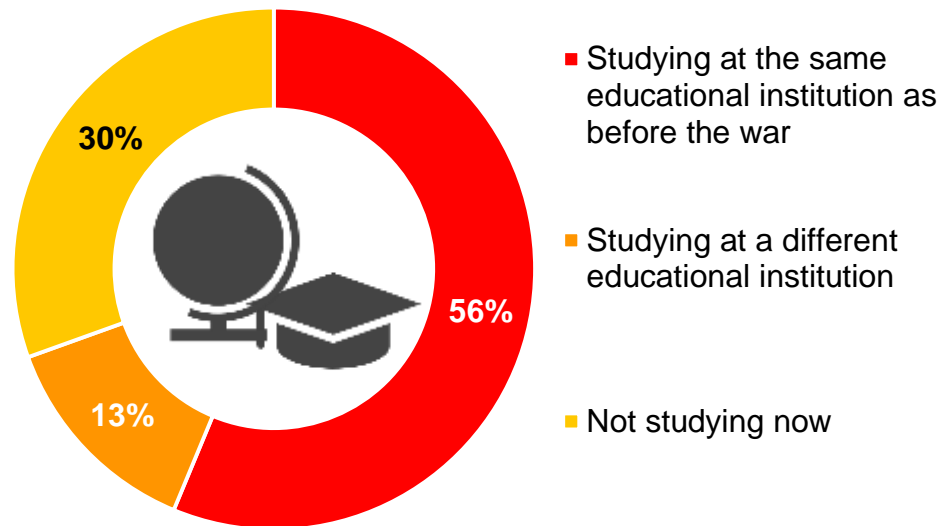
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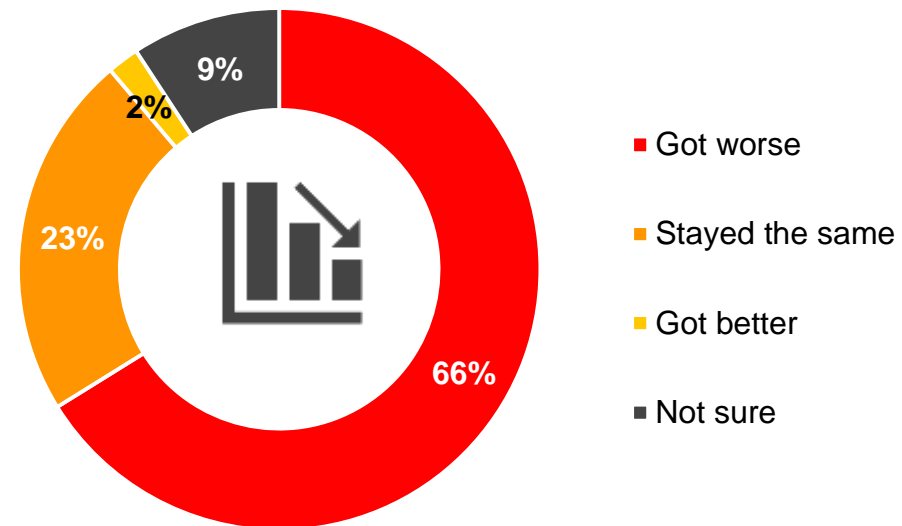
# SCHOOLING STATUS

## Current status:



Number of children aged 4-18 y.o.: 939



## Quality of education compared to the pre-war period:



Number of children aged 4-18 y.o. who are currently studying: 652

# CHILDREN'S NEEDS DURING THE WAR

	Column %	Total	East	North	Kyiv	South	Centre	West
	Base. N=	1179	137	95	178	208	328	101
Setting up the educational process	34%	45%	45%	39%	29%	37%	20%	
Money	25%	34%	25%	24%	27%	20%	24%	
Clothes, shoes	20%	41%	36%	18%	15%	16%	12%	
School supplies	11%	31%	18%	9%	9%	6%	6%	
Psychological support	10%	16%	20%	17%	8%	7%	5%	
Water, food	7%	14%	14%	8%	6%	4%	6%	
Housing	6%	18%	7%	9%	8%	1%	2%	
Medical aid	5%	14%	3%	7%	5%	2%	3%	
Hygiene products	5%	15%	12%	4%	5%	2%	4%	
Medicine	5%	9%	18%	4%	7%	2%	2%	
Toys	11%	27%	17%	11%	5%	7%	11%	
Other	1%	1%	0.4%	0.4%	2%	1%	0.4%	
My child has everything they need	27%	14%	18%	20%	20%	28%	48%	

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