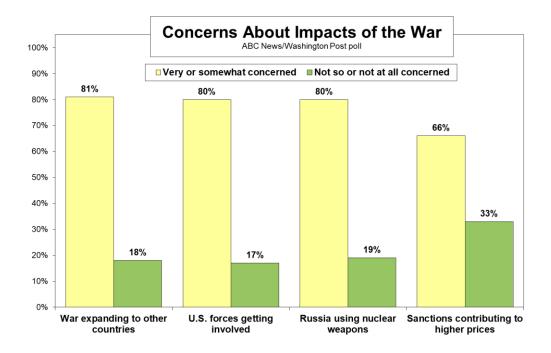
Majorities Favor Support for Ukraine, Despite Broad Concerns About Impacts

Concerns about escalation and economic consequences of the war in Ukraine loom large in U.S. public opinion, even as majorities of Americans favor increased support for Ukraine, particularly in terms of humanitarian aid and further economic sanctions on Russia.

Fifty-five percent in this ABC News/Washington Post poll also favor increased military support, even as eight in 10 express worries about a wider war or the possible use of nuclear weapons by Russia. As many also worry about direct U.S. military involvement, a step most by far rule out.

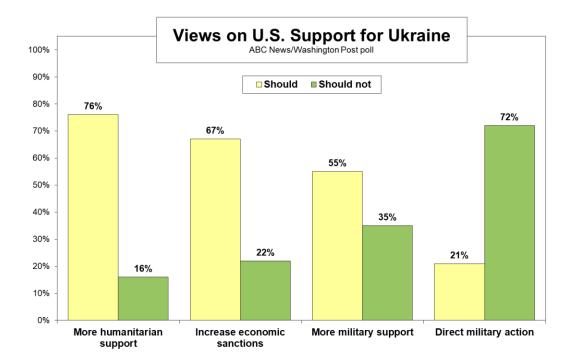
Economically, two-thirds are very or somewhat concerned that sanctions against Russia will contribute to higher food and energy prices in the United States. Yet two-thirds also support increasing such sanctions, a sign of commitment to Ukraine's cause. Indeed, among those who are concerned about price impacts, 64 percent support sanctions anyway.



ASSISTANCE – Despite public concerns, majorities think the United States should take further action to support Ukraine on several measures in this poll, produced for ABC News by <u>Langer Research Associates</u>. Leading the list, three-quarters back increased humanitarian support, with, as noted, two-thirds for increased economic sanctions and 55 percent for greater military support. (As with humanitarian support, the nature of potential military support wasn't specified.)

Notably, support for the United States providing each of these items reaches majorities across partisan lines, with single-digit differences between Democrats and Republicans on sanctions and military support and Democrats 12 percentage points more supportive of increased humanitarian aid.

Given another option, just 21 percent of Americans overall think the United States should take direct military action against Russian forces in Ukraine. This declines to 14 percent if it meant risking a nuclear war.



More generally, the public divides on whether the United States is doing too little (37 percent) or the right amount (36 percent) to support Ukraine. Fourteen percent say it's doing too much. There's a partisan split on this question, with 47 percent of Republicans saying the United States is doing too little, compared with 29 percent of Democrats. Independents fall in between.

GROUPS – Among other groups, women are 16 to 22 points more apt than men to express concern about each of the items tested – the war expanding into other countries, U.S. forces getting involved, Russia using nuclear weapons and sanctions raising food and fuel prices.

Concerns about price impacts of higher sanctions peak among more economically vulnerable Americans – those with no more than a high school diploma (77 percent) or with annual household incomes less than \$50,000 (76 percent) – as well as among women (77 percent). Support for increased sanctions, in turn, is lower among less well-off adults, 60 percent, vs. 77 percent in top-income households.

METHODOLOGY – This ABC News/Washington Post poll was conducted by landline and cellular telephone April 24-28, 2022, in English and Spanish, among a random national sample

of 1,004 adults. Results have a margin of <u>sampling error</u> of 3.5 percentage points, including the design effect. Partisan divisions are 29-25-40 percent, Democrats-Republicans-independents.

The survey was produced for ABC News by <u>Langer Research Associates</u> with sampling and data collection by Abt Associates. See details on the survey's methodology <u>here</u>.

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Full results follow.

1-7 previously released, 8-16, 21-22 held for release. *= less than 0.5 percent

17. Do you think the United States is doing too (much), too (little) or about the right amount to support Ukraine in its war with Russia?

	Too	Too	Right	No
	much	little	amount	opinion
4/28/22	14	37	36	13

Compare to:

When it comes to Russia's invasion of Ukraine, do you think the United States is providing too much support to Ukraine, not enough support to Ukraine, or about the right amount of support to Ukraine?

	Too much	Not enough	Right amount	Not sure	No answer
3/13/22*	7	42	32	19	1
*Pew Resea	arch Center				

18. Do you think the United States should or should not [ITEM]?

4/28/22 - Summary table

			Should	No
		Should	not	opinion
a.	provide more military support to			
	Ukraine than it has so far	55	35	10
b.	increase economic sanctions on Russia			
	beyond those already in place	67	22	11
c.	provide more humanitarian support to			
	Ukraine than it has so far	76	16	7
d.	take direct military action against			
	Russian forces in Ukraine	21	72	8

19. (ASK IF SHOULD TAKE DIRECT MILITARY ACTION) What if that risked a nuclear war - in that case do you think the United States should or should not take direct military action against Russian forces in Ukraine?

		Should	No
	Should	not	opinion
4/28/22	71	2.4	5

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		- Sho	ould not take milita	ary action -		
	Should take		Should not if	Should not	Q22	Q21d
	military action	NET	risk nuclear war	regardless	unknwn	no op.
4/28/22	14	77	5	72	1	8

20. How concerned are you about [ITEM] - very concerned, somewhat concerned, not so concerned or not concerned at all?

4/28/22 - Summary table

	- More concerned -		Less concerned			No	
	NET	Very	Smwht	NET	Not so	At all	op.
a. economic sanctions against							
Russia contributing to higher							
food and energy prices in the							
United States	66	29	37	33	15	17	2
c. U.S. forces getting involved							
in the fighting	80	45	35	17	9	8	3
b. the war in Ukraine expanding							
into other European countries	81	43	39	18	10	8	1
d. Russia using nuclear weapons	80	50	30	19	12	7	1
*half sample asked a and c, other	half a	asked b	and d				

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