Detailed Methodology

• The survey was coordinated by Dr. Rasa Alisauskiene from Baltic Surveys/The Gallup Organization on behalf of the Center for Insights in Survey Research. The fieldwork was carried out by Centre CIVIS.

• Data was collected throughout Moldova (with the exception of Transnistria) between February 9 and March 30, 2022 through computer-assisted telephone interviewing (CATI). Interviews of the main sample were finished on March 21 and additional interviews of youth (18-35 years) on March 30, 2022. Fieldwork was delayed due to the outbreak of war in Ukraine and delays from data collection teams.

• The main sample consisted of 1,306 permanent residents of Moldova aged 18 and older and eligible to vote and is representative of the general population by age, gender, region and settlement size (urban/rural), according to the Moldova Statistical Databank.

• The youth sample consisted of 637 permanent residents of Moldova aged 18-35 years and is representative of the Moldovan youth population by age, gender and settlement size (urban/rural), according to the Moldova Statistical Databank. It is made up of 337 interviews from the main sample and 300 oversample interviews. The weighting of the youth sample fell outside IRI’s preferred range due to a substantial overrepresentation of urban youth in the achieved sample.

• The survey was conducted with a nationwide, simple random selection procedure from the register of phone numbers assigned to mobile phone service providers (Orange, Moldcell and Unite) with proportional distribution of selected ranges per each provider for 70% of the sample. All numbers were randomly selected. Respondents for the other 30% were designated for land-line numbers and selected within household using the nearest birthday criterion.

• The margin of error of the main sample does not exceed plus or minus 2.5 percent. The margin of error of the youth sample does not exceed plus or minus 3.9 percent.

• The response rate in the main survey was 34 percent and 28 percent in the youth survey.

• Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.

• The survey was funded by the United States Agency for International Development.
# Frequently Cited Disaggregates*

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*Cited bases are weighted. Margin of error will vary with sample size n.*
Mood of the Country
In general, would you say that Moldova is heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?

*In December 2014, news broke of a major banking scandal involving nearly $1 billion missing from three state banks. The scandal is often referred to as “the stolen billion.”

**In 2016, Moldova conducted the first popular presidential election since 1996. Igor Dodon was elected in the second-round contest on November 13, 2016.

*** Interviews for the August 2020, March 2021 and February-March 2022 surveys were done via computer-assisted phone interviews (CATI). Other previous polls were conducted through face-to-face interviews.
In general, would you say that Moldova is heading in the right direction or in the wrong direction?

- All respondents: 28% in the right direction, 58% in the wrong direction, 14% don't know/no answer
- Respondents from February 9-23: 23% in the right direction, 66% in the wrong direction, 11% don't know/no answer
- Respondents from February 24-March 21: 32% in the right direction, 53% in the wrong direction, 15% don't know/no answer
- Youth (18-35 years): 31% in the right direction, 55% in the wrong direction, 14% don't know/no answer
What is the most important problem facing Moldova today? (Respondents permitted to supply three spontaneous answers; problems mentioned by at least 2 percent of respondents are displayed)

*Problems named by less than 2 percent have been collapsed into the “Other” category*
What is the most important problem facing Moldova today? (Respondents permitted to supply three spontaneous answers; problems mentioned by at least 2 percent of respondents are displayed)

- Economy: Cost of living/High prices
- Economy: Low income
- Economy: Unemployment
- Corruption
- Poverty
- Pensions
- External conflicts/War
- Emigration
- Gas
- Economy: Other/General
- Healthcare
- Insecurity
- Education
- Electricity
- Economy—small business opportunities/Access to loans
- Infrastructure
- Incompetent authorities/Government
- Coronavirus
- Social services/Benefits
- Agriculture
- Other
- No problems
- Don't know/No answer

*Problems named by less than 2 percent have been collapsed into the “Other” category*
What is the most important problem facing your household today?

(Respondents permitted to supply three spontaneous answers; problems mentioned by at least 2 percent of respondents are displayed)

- Economy: Cost of living/High prices: 58% (69% youth)
- Economy: Low income: 43% (53% youth)
- Economy: Unemployment: 28% (29% youth)
- Corruption: 19% (21% youth)
- Healthcare: 16% (21% youth)
- Poverty: 10% (15% youth)
- Pensions: 3% (3% youth)
- Insecurity: 12% (14% youth)
- Emigration: 9% (10% youth)
- Gas: 8% (10% youth)
- External conflicts/War: 8% (6% youth)
- Economy—small business opportunities/Access to loans: 6% (5% youth)
- Social services/Benefits: 5% (4% youth)
- Education: 4% (5% youth)
- Electricity: 3% (3% youth)
- Infrastructure: 3% (6% youth)
- Coronavirus: 2% (6% youth)
- Other: 13% (11% youth)
- No problems: 11% (11% youth)
- Don’t know/No answer: 1% (2% youth)

*Problems named by less than 2 percent have been collapsed into the “Other” category*
What specific issues should be the top priority for the new government to address?
(Respondents permitted to supply three spontaneous answers; issues mentioned by at least 2 percent of respondents are displayed)

Issues named by less than 2 percent have been collapsed into the “Other” category.
How would you describe the current economic situation of your household?

* Interviews for the August 2020, March 2021 and March 2022 surveys were done via computer-assisted phone interviews (CATI). All other polls were conducted through face-to-face interviews.
How would you describe the current economic situation of your household?

- Very good
- Somewhat good
- Somewhat bad
- Very bad
- Don't know/No answer

**All respondents**
- Very good: 2%
- Somewhat good: 57%
- Somewhat bad: 28%
- Very bad: 12%
- Don't know/No answer: 1%

**Youth (18-35 years)**
- Very good: 4%
- Somewhat good: 67%
- Somewhat bad: 21%
- Very bad: 7%
- Don't know/No answer: 1%
In the coming 12 months, how do you expect the economic situation of your household to change?

* Interviews for the August 2020, March 2021 and February/March 2022 surveys were done via computer-assisted phone interviews (CATI). October 2021 poll was conducted through face-to-face interviews.
### In your opinion, is each of the following issue areas in Moldova getting better or worse?

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Who do you believe has the main responsibility to protect Moldova’s environment?

- **All respondents**
  - Local government: 13%
  - National government: 5%
  - Community organizations & NGOs: 23%
  - Private citizens: 16%
  - Farmers: 1%
  - Businesses and corporations: 1%
  - Don’t Know/No answer: 1%
  - All: 1%
  - No one: 1%

- **Youth (18-35 years)**
  - Local government: 13%
  - National government: 12%
  - Community organizations & NGOs: 20%
  - Private citizens: 13%
  - Farmers: 2%
  - Businesses and corporations: 2%
  - Don’t Know/No answer: <1%
  - All: 47%
  - No one: 20%
Youth Political Engagement
How likely, if at all, are you to run for local or national office by the age of 35?

Youth (18-35 years)
What is the primary reason you are unlikely run for office?

**Youth (18-35 years)**
Unlikely to run for local or national office by the age of 35, n=467

- I am not interested in holding an office in general: 32%
- I lack the required skills to hold an elected office: 10%
- I am not interested in holding an office because I can get involved in alternative ways: 10%
- I do not think I am eligible to run: 7%
- I lack the financial resources: 6%
- I will not have the time to do it: 6%
- I lack a support network: 4%
- I would not win: 4%
- It requires too much effort: 4%
- I don’t know how to run for office: 2%
- Other: 1%
- Don’t know/No answer: 15%
How interested are you in actively participating in community service?

- **Very interested**
- **Somewhat interested**
- **Somewhat uninterested**
- **Very uninterested**
- **Don't know/No answer**

Youth (18-35 years)

- Very interested: 19%
- Somewhat interested: 51%
- Somewhat uninterested: 18%
- Very uninterested: 7%
- Don't know/No answer: 5%
Which organizations do you consider effective in addressing challenges your country and community may face?

Youth (18-35 years)

A civil society or community-based organization, which is a local, national or international group of people who organize to support a particular interest, group or issue

- National government
  - Effective: 60%
  - Not effective: 26%
  - Don't know/No answer: 14%

- Local government
  - Effective: 60%
  - Not effective: 28%
  - Don't know/No answer: 12%

- Private companies
  - Effective: 59%
  - Not effective: 27%
  - Don't know/No answer: 15%

- Political parties
  - Effective: 39%
  - Not effective: 45%
  - Don't know/No answer: 16%

- Religious organizations
  - Effective: 38%
  - Not effective: 42%
  - Don't know/No answer: 20%
Are you a member of a political party?
Youth (18-35 years)

- Yes: 4%
- No: 95%
- Don't know/No answer: 1%
Have you ever engaged in any of the following activities?

Youth (18-35 years)

- Contacted an elected official: 12% Yes, 87% No, 1% Don't know/No answer
- Participated in a protest: 12% Yes, 88% No, 1% Don't know/No answer
- Signed a petition: 11% Yes, 87% No, 1% Don't know/No answer
- Attended a political meeting: 10% Yes, 89% No, 1% Don't know/No answer
- Volunteered my time for a political cause: 8% Yes, 91% No, 1% Don't know/No answer
- Posted on social media about political issues: 8% Yes, 91% No, 1% Don't know/No answer
- Participated in a boycott: 3% Yes, 96% No, 1% Don't know/No answer
- Donated money to a political cause: 3% Yes, 96% No, 1% Don't know/No answer
- Joined a formal or informal organization with a political agenda: 3% Yes, 96% No, 1% Don't know/No answer
How satisfied are you with the media’s portrayal of young people?

Youth (18-35 years)

- Very satisfied: 5%
- Rather satisfied: 43%
- Rather dissatisfied: 30%
- Very dissatisfied: 11%
- Don't know/No answer: 12%
If parliamentary elections were held this coming Sunday, for which party, if any, would you vote?

If parliamentary elections were held this coming Sunday, and the party you mentioned is not on the list, for which party, if any, would you vote?

All respondents (Respondents provided a spontaneous response)

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Youth (18-35 years)

First choice Second choice

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Party of Communists of the Republic of Moldova (Voronin) 3% 3%
Political Party “Șor” (Șor) 2% 2%
Democratic Party of Moldova (Babuc) <1%
Political Party “Democracy at Home” (Costiuc) <1% <1%
Political party “Dignity and Truth” (Plîngău) 1%
Political Party “Alliance for Unification of Romanians” (Biletchi) <1% 1%
Other <1% 1%
I would not vote 24% 14%
Don’t know/No answer 40% 10%
Parties and government
Which politician or public person do you trust the most?

All respondents

- Maia Sandu: 20%
- Igor Dodon: 15%
- Ion Ceban: 8%
- Vladimir Voronin: 7%
- Ilan Șor: 5%
- Igor Grosu: 5%
- Natalia Gavrilita: 5%
- Ion Chicu: 3%
- Alexandru Slusari: 2%
- Zinaida Greceanîi: 1%
- Other: 16%
- Do not trust anybody: 9%
- Don't know/No answer: 48%

*Persons named by less than 1 percent have been collapsed into the “Other” category. (Respondents permitted to supply three spontaneous answers)*
Which politician or public person do you trust the most?

Youth (18-35 years)

- Maia Sandu: 19%
- Igor Dodon: 8%
- Ion Ceban: 4%
- Igor Grosu: 4%
- Vladimir Voronin: 4%
- Natalia Gavrilita: 3%
- Ilan Șor: 2%
- Renato Usatii: 1%
- Vasilie Costiuc: 1%
- Other: 13%
- Do not trust anybody: 12%
- Don't know/No answer: 55%

*Persons named by less than 1 percent have been collapsed into the “Other” category. (Respondents permitted to supply three spontaneous answers)*
Do you approve or disapprove of the Gavrilita government?

- **All respondents**
  - Strongly approve: 9%
  - Somewhat approve: 26%
  - Somewhat disapprove: 13%
  - Strongly disapprove: 40%
  - Don’t know/No answer: 12%

- **Youth (18-35 years)**
  - Strongly approve: 5%
  - Somewhat approve: 30%
  - Somewhat disapprove: 18%
  - Strongly disapprove: 35%
  - Don’t know/No answer: 13%
Which political party does your mayor belong to, if any?

(Respondents permitted to supply one spontaneous answer)

All respondents

- Party of Socialists of the Republic of Moldova (Batrîncea) - 17%
- Political Party "Action and Solidarity" (Grosu) - 14%
- Political Party “Șor” (Șor) - 4%
- Political Party “Our Party” (Usatîi) - 3%
- Democratic Party of Moldova (Babuc) - 3%
- Party of Communists of the Republic of Moldova (Voronin) - 2%
- Liberal Democratic Party of Moldova (David) - 1%
- Independent/No party - 12%
- Other - 2%
- Don't know/No answer - 42%

*Parties named by less than 1 percent have been collapsed into the “Other” category*
To what extent is the Coronavirus a concern for you?

- Very serious: 25%
- Somewhat serious: 29%
- Somewhat not serious: 24%
- Not at all serious: 20%
- Don't know/No answer: 1%

All respondents:

Youth (18-35 years):

- Very serious: 13%
- Somewhat serious: 29%
- Somewhat not serious: 27%
- Not at all serious: 31%
- Don't know/No answer: <1%
To what extent are you satisfied with the local government’s response to the Coronavirus?

**All respondents**
- Very satisfied: 7%
- Somewhat satisfied: 43%
- Somewhat not satisfied: 31%
- Not at all satisfied: 14%
- Don’t know/No answer: 5%

**Youth (18-35 years)**
- Very satisfied: 6%
- Somewhat satisfied: 45%
- Somewhat not satisfied: 34%
- Not at all satisfied: 12%
- Don’t know/No answer: 3%
And to what extent are you satisfied with the national government’s response to the Coronavirus?

Very satisfied          Somewhat satisfied     Somewhat not satisfied      Not at all satisfied      Don’t know/No answer

All respondents

- Very satisfied: 7%
- Somewhat satisfied: 42%
- Somewhat not satisfied: 32%
- Not at all satisfied: 14%
- Don’t know/No answer: 6%

Youth (18-35 years)

- Very satisfied: 5%
- Somewhat satisfied: 44%
- Somewhat not satisfied: 36%
- Not at all satisfied: 11%
- Don’t know/No answer: 5%
Are your regular payments, such as salaries, pensions, benefits, etc., delayed now?

- **All respondents**
  - Yes: 11%
  - No: 78%
  - I don’t receive regular payments: 11%
  - Don’t know/No answer: <1%

- **Youth (18-35 years)**
  - Yes: 14%
  - No: 69%
  - I don’t receive regular payments: 17%
  - Don’t know/No answer: <1%
International Relations
How would you rate the current relations between Moldova and...

All respondents

- Very good
- Somewhat good
- Somewhat bad
- Very bad
- Don’t know/No answer

Romania: 14% Very good, 69% Somewhat good, 5% Somewhat bad, 5% Very bad, 12% Don’t know/No answer

European Union: 6% Very good, 73% Somewhat good, 5% Somewhat bad, 1% Very bad, 15% Don’t know/No answer

United States: 3% Very good, 49% Somewhat good, 7% Somewhat bad, 1% Very bad, 41% Don’t know/No answer

China: 1% Very good, 31% Somewhat good, 4% Somewhat bad, 1% Very bad, 63% Don’t know/No answer

Russia: <1% Very good, 19% Somewhat good, 60% Somewhat bad, 6% Very bad, 15% Don’t know/No answer
How would you rate the current relations between Moldova and...

Youth (18-35 years)

- **Romania**
  - Very good: 15%
  - Somewhat good: 70%
  - Somewhat bad: 3%
  - Very bad: <1%
  - Don’t know/No answer: 11%

- **European Union**
  - Very good: 8%
  - Somewhat good: 73%
  - Somewhat bad: 4%
  - Very bad: <1%
  - Don’t know/No answer: 15%

- **United States**
  - Very good: 3%
  - Somewhat good: 51%
  - Somewhat bad: 5%
  - Very bad: <1%
  - Don’t know/No answer: 40%

- **China**
  - Very good: 1%
  - Somewhat good: 31%
  - Somewhat bad: 4%
  - Very bad: <1%
  - Don’t know/No answer: 64%

- **Russia**
  - Very good: <1%
  - Somewhat good: 21%
  - Somewhat bad: 57%
  - Very bad: 5%
  - Don’t know/No answer: 16%
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- **Very secure**
- **More secure than not**
- **More insecure than secure**
- **Don't know/No answer**
How secure do you feel living in Moldova given the current international situation?

All respondents:
- Very secure: 5%
- More secure than not: 26%
- More insecure than secure: 44%
- Very insecure: 21%
- Don't know/No answer: 3%

Youth (18-35 years):
- Very secure: 5%
- More secure than not: 25%
- More insecure than secure: 50%
- Very insecure: 19%
- Don't know/No answer: 2%
What is the most important reason you feel insecure living in Moldova?
(Respondents permitted to supply two spontaneous answers; reasons mentioned by at least 2 percent of respondents are displayed)

All respondents feeling insecure, n=851

- **Economy - inflation, high prices**: 55%
- **Actions by Russia**: 38%
- **Economy - unemployment, lack of jobs**: 28%
- **Energy/Gas supply instability**: 14%
- **Migration**: 12%
- **Actions by Europe & NATO**: 9%
- **Coronavirus**: 9%
- **Economy - Moldova’s national debt**: 5%
- **Political instability**: 4%
- **Economic instability of the Republic of Moldova**: 3%
- **Terrorism**: 2%
- **Other**: 6%
- **Don't know/No answer**: 2%

*Reasons named by less than 2 percent have been collapsed into the “Other” category*
What is the most important reason you feel insecure living in Moldova? (Respondents permitted to supply two spontaneous answers; reasons mentioned by at least 2 percent of respondents are displayed)

Feeling insecure, n=851

- Economy - inflation, high prices: 53%, 55%
- Actions by Russia: 21%
- Economy - unemployment, lack of jobs: 29%, 28%
- Energy/Gas supply instability: 20%
- Migration: 14%
- Actions by Europe & NATO: 8%, 10%
- Coronavirus: 14%
- Economy - Moldova’s national debt: 4%, 5%
- Political instability: 5%
- Economic instability of the Republic of Moldova: 6%
- Terrorism: 3%
- Other: 12%
- Don't know/No answer: 3%

*Problems named by less than 2 percent have been collapsed into the “Other” category
What is the most important reason you feel insecure living in Moldova?
(Respondents permitted to supply two spontaneous answers; reasons mentioned by at least 2 percent of respondents are displayed)

Youth (18-35 years), Feeling insecure, n=438

- Economy - inflation, high prices: 54%
- Actions by Russia: 49%
- Economy - unemployment, lack of jobs: 33%
- Migration: 13%
- Energy/Gas supply instability: 9%
- Actions by Europe & NATO: 9%
- Coronavirus: 4%
- Economic instability of the Republic of Moldova: 4%
- Political instability: 4%
- Economy - Moldova’s national debt: 3%
- Terrorism: 3%
- Corruption: 2%
- Other: 3%
- Don't know/No answer: 1%

*Reasons named by less than 2 percent have been collapsed into the “Other” category*
As you may know, Russia has begun amassing military forces that could be used for a potential Russian invasion of Ukraine.* How much have you seen, read, or heard about this?

*Russia invaded Ukraine in the middle of fieldwork. IRI made an intentional decision not to adjust the question text and kept the “potential invasion” language.
Given the current Russian activities in Ukraine, do you consider Russian troops in Transnistria to be a real threat to Moldova?

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What do you think the future of Transnistria should be?

All respondents

- An ordinary region of Moldova, without any autonomy
- Autonomy within the Republic of Moldova
- A part of the Russian Federation
- A part of Ukraine
- Independent
- Don't know/No answer

* Interviews for the February/March 2022 survey were done via computer-assisted phone interviews (CATI). All other polls were conducted through face-to-face interviews.
What do you think the future of Transnistria should be?

- Ordinary region of Moldova, without any autonomy: 48%
- Autonomy within the Republic of Moldova: 16%
- A part of the Russian Federation: 5%
- A part of Ukraine: 1%
- Independent: 16%
- Don't know/No answer: 14%

All respondents (48%)

Respondents from February 9-23 (48%)

Respondents from February 24-March 21 (48%)
What do you think the future of Transnistria should be?

- **Ordinary region of Moldova, without any autonomy**: 48%
- **Autonomy within the Republic of Moldova**: 16%
- **A part of the Russian Federation**: 5%
- **A part of Ukraine**: 1%
- **Independent**: 16%
- **Don't know/No answer**: 14%

**All respondents**

- **Ordinary region of Moldova, without any autonomy**: 37%
- **Autonomy within the Republic of Moldova**: 12%
- **A part of the Russian Federation**: 6%
- **A part of Ukraine**: 1%
- **Independent**: 28%
- **Don't know/No answer**: 15%

**Youth (18-35 years)**
Sources of Information
How interested or uninterested are you in political news and information?

All population

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Somewhat uninterested
- Very uninterested
- Don’t know/No answer

March 2022:
- 31% Very interested
- 43% Somewhat interested
- 16% Somewhat uninterested
- 9% Very uninterested
- 1% Don’t know/No answer

October 2021*:
- 15% Very interested
- 53% Somewhat interested
- 20% Somewhat uninterested
- 11% Very uninterested
- 1% Don’t know/No answer

* Interviews for October 2021 were conducted face-to-face.
How interested or uninterested are you in political news and information?

**All respondents**
- Very interested: 31%
- Somewhat interested: 43%
- Somewhat uninterested: 16%
- Very uninterested: 9%
- Don’t know/No answer: 1%

**Youth (18-35 years)**
- Very interested: 26%
- Somewhat interested: 43%
- Somewhat uninterested: 18%
- Very uninterested: 12%
- Don’t know/No answer: 1%
Which sources of information do you use most frequently to gain political news and information? (Respondents permitted to supply three spontaneous answers)

All respondents

- Television: 80%
- Internet (other than social media): 59%
- Social media: 52%
- Relatives, friends: 23%
- Radio: 16%
- Work colleagues: 8%
- Print media (newspaper and magazine articles): 8%
- Debates: 1%
- Meetings with politicians: 1%
- Billboards, stands in the streets: <1%
- Leaflets, other free information by mail: <1%
- None: 2%
- Don't know/No answer: 1%
Which sources of information do you use most frequently to gain political news and information?

(Respondents permitted to supply three spontaneous answers)

Youth (18-35 years)

- Social media: 78%
- Internet (other than social media): 77%
- Television: 62%
- Relatives, friends: 23%
- Radio: 6%
- Work colleagues: 6%
- Print media (newspaper and magazine articles): 3%
- Meetings with politicians: 1%
- Billboards, stands in the streets: 1%
- Debates: <1%
- Leaflets, other free information by mail: <1%
- None: 2%
- Don't know/No answer: 1%
Do you use any of the following social media sites?

All respondents

- Facebook: 67%
- Viber: 49%
- Facebook Messenger: 37%
- WhatsApp: 25%
- Instagram: 23%
- Odnoklassniki: 19%
- Telegram: 15%
- Vkontakte: 7%
- Twitter: 4%
- MoiMir: 2%
- Linkedin: 2%
- LiveJournal: 2%
- I don’t use social media: 17%
- Don’t know/No answer: 4%
Do you use any of the following social media sites?

- **Facebook**: 65% (Respondents from February 9-23), 68% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **Viber**: 45% (Respondents from February 9-23), 55% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **Facebook Messenger**: 30% (Respondents from February 9-23), 45% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **WhatsApp**: 26% (Respondents from February 9-23), 23% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **Instagram**: 21% (Respondents from February 9-23), 26% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **Odnoklassniki**: 15% (Respondents from February 9-23), 25% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **Telegram**: 16% (Respondents from February 9-23), 14% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **Vkontakte**: 10% (Respondents from February 9-23), 14% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **Twitter**: 5% (Respondents from February 9-23), 3% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **MoiMir**: 4% (Respondents from February 9-23), <1% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **Linkedin**: 4% (Respondents from February 9-23), <1% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **LiveJournal**: 4% (Respondents from February 9-23), <1% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **I don’t use social media**: 19% (Respondents from February 9-23), 16% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
- **Don’t know/No answer**: 2% (Respondents from February 9-23), 5% (Respondents from February 24-March 21)
Do you use any of the following social media sites?

Youth (18-35 years)

- Facebook: 83%
- Viber: 55%
- Facebook Messenger: 46%
- Instagram: 43%
- WhatsApp: 36%
- Telegram: 30%
- Odnoklassniki: 20%
- Vkontakte: 10%
- Twitter: 5%
- Linkedin: 2%
- LiveJournal: 2%
- MoiMir: 2%
- I don’t use social media: 2%
- Don’t know/No answer: 2%
# Demographics

## All respondents

### Gender
- **Male**: 46%
- **Female**: 54%

### Age
- **18-29 years**: 18%
- **30-49 years**: 37%
- **50 years and older**: 46%

### Education
- **No formal education**: <1%
- **Primary school (4 grades)**: <1%
- **Incomplete secondary school/gymnasium (5-9 grades/former 7-8 grades)**: 12%
- **Complete secondary school/lyceum (10-12 grades/former 10 grades)**: 15%
- **Secondary professional (college, medical schools)**: 11%
- **Secondary special (professional schools, PTUs)**: 26%
- **Incomplete higher education (bachelor - 3 years)**: 30%
- **Complete higher education (master)**: 4%
- **PhD, post PhD**: <1%
- **Don't know/No answer**: <1%
# Demographics

## Youth (18-35 years)

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