

# WAR IN UKRAINE

Several of our articles this year touch upon the ongoing war in Ukraine. For this reason, we are providing a map of Ukraine with its surrounding geography in order to give the reader a sense of some of the major developments since the war began in February 2022.

Russian forces invaded Ukraine on February 24, 2022, after Russian President Vladimir Putin announced a “special military operation” with the goal to “demilitarize” and “denazify” Ukraine and to protect Russians in Ukrainian territory. The invasion has been widely condemned internationally and has resulted in charges that Russians have committed war crimes. The war has affected energy shipments to Europe, which was a major customer for Russian oil and gas, and has led Europeans to attempt to cut back on the use of Russian energy, and led to

the abandonment of the NordStream 2 gas pipeline. Another effect of the war is that shipments of grain from Ukraine and Russia have been slowed or halted, which in turn will increase food insecurity in many parts of the world. The United States and many other countries have imposed sanctions on Russia in an attempt to discourage the continued war in Ukraine. There is concern that China might be emboldened by Russia’s attempt to annex Ukraine and move on Taiwan. The repercussions from the war in Ukraine are being felt all over the world.



Moscow

RUSSIA

RUSSIAN ADVANCE



- MAJOR RUSSIAN BOMBARDMENT
- NUCLEAR FACILITY
- PROVINCIAL CAPITAL
- CONFIRMED SITE OF ATROCITIES
- ANNEXED BY RUSSIA
- DONBAS REGION UNDER PRO-RUSSIAN CONTROL SINCE 2014
- RUSSIAN OCCUPIED
- RETAKEN BY UKRAINE

In March of 2014 Russian troops seized the Ukrainian region of Crimea. Russia then annexed the region after Crimeans voted to join Russia in a disputed referendum. The other annexed lands: Donetsk, Luhansk, Kherson, and Zaporizhzhia came after the February 2022 invasion and staged referendums in those regions.

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