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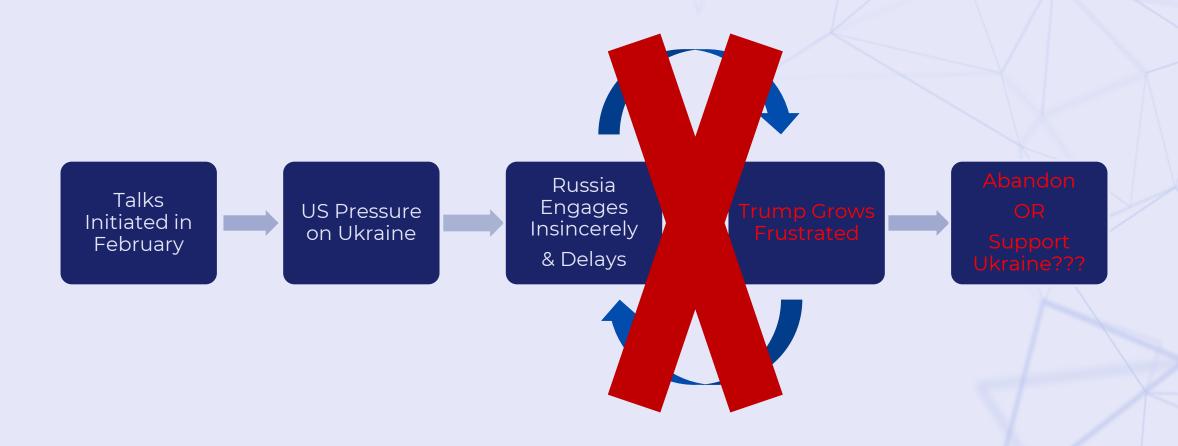
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GEOPOLITICAL & MACROECONOMIC OUTLOOK

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Summits: Russia didn't win, Ukraine didn't lose
- 2 Gradually, Western resolve is strengthening
- War of attrition weighing on both Russia and Ukraine
- The lack of growth drivers is weighing on business sentiment

WHERE ARE TALKS CURRENTLY?





WHAT'S THE LATEST?

- US-EU trade deal
- Alaska & DC Summits
- Air raids are intensifying in both Russia and Ukraine
- Political and Economic Pressures Mounting in both Russia and Ukraine
- Russian incursions into NATO territory
- Trump's turn towards Ukraine

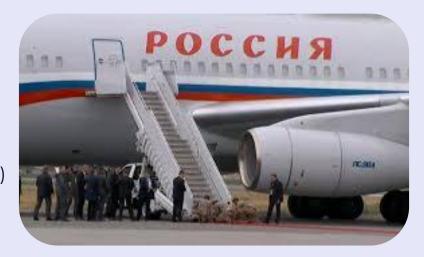


ALASKA & DC SUMMITS

We remain on a positive trajectory for Ukraine

CONCERNS

- Red carpet for Putin vs. Zelenskyi in the Oval Office in February
- Trump moved from ceasefire to Russia's "core issues" (i.e., Ukraine's capitulation)
- Gives Putin international credibility and recognition he has always sought





...BUT

- US involvement in security guarantees
 - Further aligned with a strengthening Europe
- Trump didn't give in to Putin and sell out Ukraine
 - Arms and sanctions continue, may even increase
- White House reconfirmed Ukraine's independence and sovereignty
 - "We can't force a deal on them"



TRUMP POLICY SINCE - ROLLER COASTER CONTINUES...(1/2)

On Tuesday, we received more proof that Trump is insane

- "I think Ukraine, with the support of the EU, is in a position to fight and WIN all of Ukraine back in its original form"
- "Zelenskyi is a brave man...putting up one hell of a fight"
- "We have great respect for the fight that Ukraine is waging. It's simply amazing"
- "(The war) is very much making Russia look like a paper tiger"
- "Unfortunately, my relationship (with Putin) didn't mean anything"
- Do you think NATO countries should shoot down Russian aircraft that enter their airspace? "Yes, I do"



POLLING: WILL TRUMP IMPOSE HARSH SANCTIONS ON RUSSIA?







No 72%

28%

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TRUMP POLICY SINCE - ROLLER COASTER CONTINUES...(2/2)

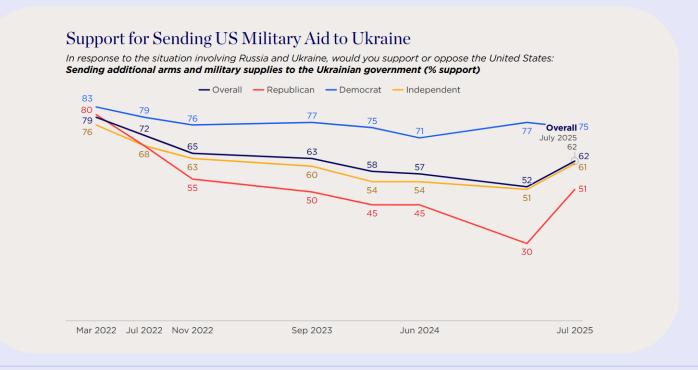
What the hell is going on?

- Distrust of Democrats and domestic cultural wars
- Believed his charm/charisma could win over Putin
- Wants to be liked by Putin



What does it mean for Ukraine?

- Huge step in the right direction
- Gets MAGA more on board now
- Tightening of sanctions is very likely now

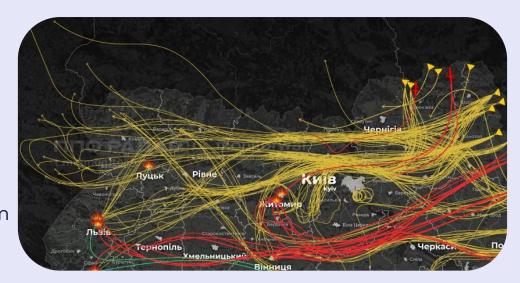




AND WHAT ABOUT EUROPE???

No response to Russian incursions???

- 20+ drones into Polish airspace
- Sweden intercepted a pair of Su-30 fighters
- Danish jets intercepted a Russian IL-20 intelligence plane
- Russian Geran drone in Romanian airspace
- 2 Russian fighters approach the Polish Petrobaltic offshore oil platform
- Drones in Denmark and Norway paralyze airports
- 12-minute incursion by three MiG-31 fighters into Estonian airspace



Article 4 Consultations, the US supports shooting down jets

Need Rules of Engagement

- Otherwise, Russia denies and can retaliate without a NATO consensus
- Tipping point: We will now see what Putin thinks of Europe and what Europe is made of



POLLING: WILL EUROPE RESPOND STRONGLY TO THE NEXT RUSSIAN INCURSION?



Yes



Will Europe respond strongly to the next Russian incursion?

22%

No 78%

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HOW LONG CAN RUSSIA LAST?

Political pressures escalating

- More suicides, falls from windows, mysterious deaths...
- The system is moving into crisis mode

GDP stagnating each quarter for the past 1.5 years

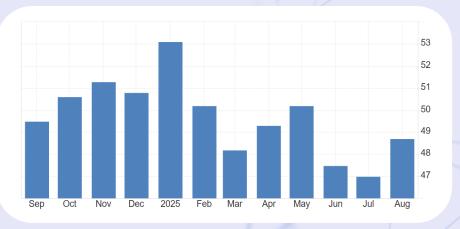
- Budget deficit beyond annual target; spending cuts coming, taxes to rise
 - Energy export revenues down 20% YOY
- Civilian sectors in decline, defense maintaining growth
 - Consumer durables down 10-30% in H1
- Supply falling faster than demand a major inflationary problem
 - New housing -20%, poor harvest, business investment dropping

War pressures

- Manpower solid, but loss-ratio worsening
- Effect of Ukrainian drone attacks on infrastructure



Russia Manufacturing PMI Below 50





HOW LONG CAN UKRAINE LAST?

Economy slowing, no new growth drivers

Budgetary problems accruing

- \$19bn needed in 2025; \$65 bn thru Q1 2027
- As Europe struggles with deficits, weak growth, competing defense and social spending
- Will Russia's NATO incursions focus minds in the West to take Russia's reserves?

Still waiting on Security Guarantees and a "Coalition of the Willing"

Manpower issues worsening

Step back in the corruption fight and the resulting protests



RUSSIA-UKRAINE WAR SCENARIOS INTO 2026

End point	Scenario 1: Russian 'victory' (Collapse of Western order)	Scenario 2: Ukraine 'wins', land-for-peace deal	Scenario 3: Frozen conflict, fighting persists at lower level	Scenario 4: Direct Russia- NATO confrontation
Likelihood	10% (was 10%)	60% (was 60%)	20% (was 25%)	10% (was 5%)
Likely timeline	Late 2025	H1 2026 at earliest	Late-2025	Through 2025 and beyond
Signposts	 Trump cuts off US support Europe cannot provide adequate support Kyiv forced to negotiate a bad peace Russia seizes far more land Ukraine turns war into an insurgency 	 Neither side can shift the line of contact decisively Russia seeks a ceasefire to pause the war Zelenskyi offers land-forpeace West provides more aid and security guarantees 	 Neither side can strategically shift the war in its favor Western aid to Ukraine moderates Russia unable to sustain high-intensity warfare Kyiv is forced to negotiate; Moscow declares a "victory" The two sides get stuck in negotiations, fighting persists 	 NATO-Russian War initiated by a Russian attack on a NATO country or tactical nuclear strike in Ukraine The West responds with an overwhelming conventional response Potential for Russian nuclear retaliation



POLLING: WILL WE SEE A CEASEFIRE IN 2026?



No



Will we see a ceasefire in 2026?

Yes 49%

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WHAT TO WATCH FOR IN THE COMING MONTHS

Yes

Battlefield

- · Land: No breakthrough but more incursions coming
- Air battle: Russia's drone swarms vs. Ukraine's deep strikes
 - Are we hitting an inflection point?

Western Resolve

- Strong response to future Russia's NATO incursions?
- More US/EU Sanctions?
- Seize Russia's FX reserves?
- More European Purchases of US Military Equipment?

Oil Prices – Impacts of Sanctions, Middle East, Tariff Wars

Russian political interference of central bank policy





UKRAINE MARKET DYNAMICS

UKRAINE FORECAST SUMMARY

GDP consensus forecasts around 2.0-2.5% for 2025

- H1 2025 GDP at 0.9% YOY
- Business sentiment has stagnated this summer
- Inflation accelerated beyond expectations in H1, but is finally slowing (14.1% in July)
- Weak UAH: EUR into 2026

	2022	2023	2024	2025f	2026f
GDP, %YOY	-29.1	5.3	2.9	2.3	4.1
USD:UAH (avg)	32.70	36.80	40.11	42.00	43.7
Inflation, %YOY	20.6	12.9	6.3	12.7	7.4
Consumer Spending, %YOY	-16.9	6.3	5.0	4.6	5.5
Investment, %YOY	-34.0	52.9	9.0	10.0	12.5



WHAT BUSINESSES ARE SAYING (1/2)

Stagnating Demand

"There are no drivers of growth. I can't see how 2026 can be stronger than 2025."

Rising Costs

"Costs have been a problem since last year, but now the euro is a huge issue"

Focus

"You can't focus on geopolitics or you go crazy. I focus on executing, and we're successful."

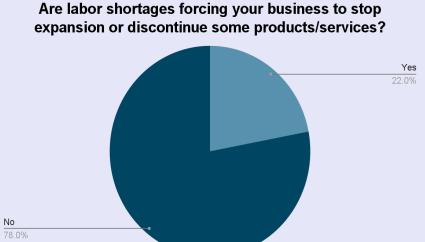
Labor Market

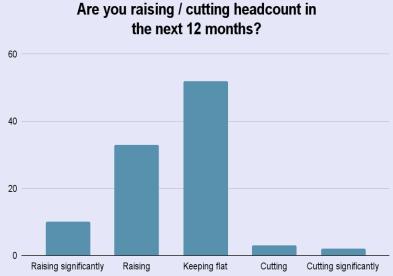
"I thought things would be worse by now, and we'd see production cuts, but it's not so bad"



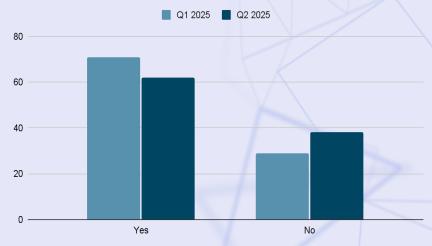
WHAT BUSINESSES ARE SAYING (2/2)

- Labor shortages are not impacting production yet
- Few companies are reducing headcount
- Local teams continue to feel a sense of urgency to invest





Do you believe you need to start investing further in the next 6 months, or you'll get behind the competition?





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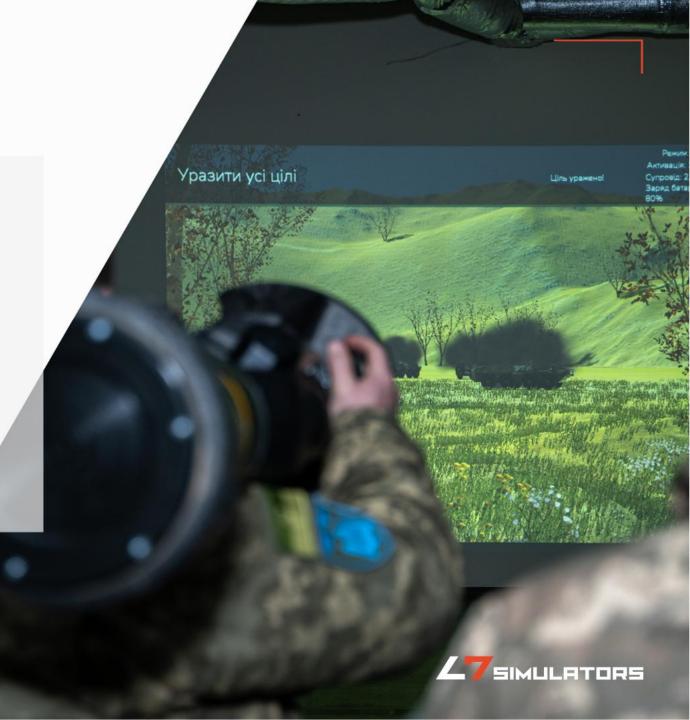




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The soldiers are trained using the «UNITS» system



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Marines



Airborne battalions and assault units



Air Force



National Guard of Ukraine







Training complexes for mobile fire teams are designed to train personnel in engaging aerial targets using various types of machine guns. The training takes place in a virtual environment (VR) via an innovative hardware and software system that accurately replicates the ballistic characteristics of the weapons and the realistic behavior of targets such as UAVs, helicopters, and missiles.



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Simulator «Dronobiy»

The "Dronobiy" pump-action shotgun training complex is an interactive firearms training simulator.

Using the "Dronobiy" Complex, the combat work of a shooter repelling an FPV drone attack is simulated.

The "Dronobiy" Complex is a training tool designed to address the tasks of preparation, training, and skill acquisition in shooting a pump-action shotgun at attacking FPV drones.

The complex is intended for honing shooting techniques and is used for individual, sequential training on combat procedures and firing with various types of ammunition.

Integrating the 'Dronobiy' Complex into Defense Forces training programs will boost personnel confidence and enhance their individual protection on the modern battlefield.









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