

Figures of the week

- Ukrainian forces liberated [745 square kilometers and retook 26 villages](#) across three southeastern regions during a months-long offensive.

Foreign Policy

- Presidents Zelenskyy had phone calls with leaders of [Armenia](#), [Costa Rica](#), [Saudi Arabia](#), and [Norway](#).
- In Belgrade, President Zelenskyy met with [President of Serbia Aleksandar Vučić](#) and [Prime Minister of Serbia Đuro Macut](#) during his first official visit to the country.
- President [Zelenskyy received Azerbaijan's Minister of Foreign Affairs](#) Jeyhun Bayramov.
- Ukrainian Foreign Minister Sybiha held phone talks with foreign ministers of [Armenia](#), [Mozambique](#) and [Tunisia](#).
- Statement by the MFA of Ukraine on the [Anniversary of Russia's Invasion of Georgia](#).
- Statement by the MFA of Ukraine on the Occasion of the [International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples](#).

Home and Frontline

- [Total Russian combat losses since February 24, 2022, to 13 August 2026](#): in personnel – 1 462 970, tanks – 12 262, ACV – 25 130, artillery system – 47 824.
- Russian forces suffered [42,860 personnel losses in July](#), making it the highest monthly figure since January 2025.
- Russian forces [have executed at least 345 Ukrainian service members](#) who surrendered and killed 375 Ukrainian citizens whose deaths in Russian captivity have been verified.
- Over the course of the week, [Russian invaders fired 61 missiles at Ukraine](#), including 56 ballistic missiles, as well as over 1,560 attack drones and 1,540 air bombs.
- Russia used [ballistic missiles from North Korea](#) in attack on Ukraine on August 10.
- Russian jet-powered [Shahed strikes passenger train in Odesa](#) region, killing driver and assistant.
- [Every Russian strike will be met with our response](#) – address by the President Zelenskyy.
- [Four Russian warships](#) were damaged overnight on August 12, 2026, after Ukrainian [defense forces struck the Novorossiysk naval base](#).
- [Over 30 million tonnes of Ukrainian agricultural products](#) at risk of not reaching global markets - Ukraine's Minister of Agrarian Policy and Food.

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On August 12, 1581, the Ostroh Bible was published in the city of Ostroh, now the Rivne region of Ukraine. It was funded by Ukrainian Prince and art patron Vasyl-Kostiantyn Ostrozkyi and printed at the Ostroh Printing House, headed by Ivan Fedorov – one of the founders of Eastern Slavonic printing. The Ostroh Bible is rightly regarded as a masterpiece of Ukrainian and world printing. Its many printing, artistic and cultural features make it one of the most remarkable books of its time. Learn [7 facts about one of Ukraine's most important books](#).