

#UkraineWeekly

October 31, 2025

Figures of the week

- Almost [1,200 attack drones and 50 missiles](#) of various types were used by Russia against Ukraine in just one week.

Ukraine-Türkiye

- Vice President of Türkiye [Cevdet Yılmaz took part of in the Coalition of the Willing leaders' meeting](#) on October 24, 2025.
- Ukrainian Foreign [Minister Sybiha met with Minister of Foreign Affairs](#) of the Republic of Türkiye Hakan Fidan in Luxembourg.

Foreign Policy

- President [Zelenskyy held a call with the President of Argentina](#) Javier Milei.
- Development of the PURL Initiative and Diplomatic Efforts to Achieve a Genuine Peace: President [Zelenskyy met with the Deputy Prime Minister of Slovenia](#).
- [Statement by the President of Ukraine](#) During the Joint Press Conference with Leaders of the Coalition of the Willing Member States and the NATO Secretary General.
- President Zelenskyy met with the leaders of [the UK](#), [Italy](#), [Finland](#), [Germany](#), [Poland](#), [France](#), [the Czech Republic](#).
- We need to create strict sanctions control and real consequences for those who break the rules – [President Zelenskyy at the European Council Meeting](#).
- President Zelenskyy and Prime Minister of Sweden Ulf Kristersson signed the first document paving the way for [Ukraine to acquire Gripen Fighter Jets](#).
- President Zelenskyy and Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez Discussed [Ukraine's Energy Needs](#) and Agreed on New Steps to Support Ukraine.
- [Spain and Finland have joined the PURL initiative](#), which enables the purchase of weapons for Ukraine from the USA.
- Joint declaration of the [Ukraine Mine Action Conference \(UMAC\) 2025](#) that was held in Tokyo, Japan on 22-23 October 2025
- [Comment of the MFA of Ukraine](#) on the occasion of the 80th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations.
- First Lady Olena Zelenska attended the unveiling of a monument to [Queen Elisiv \(Elizabeth of Kyiv\)](#), the wife of King Harald Hardrada of Norway in Oslo.
- New sanctions against Russian: the US sanctions against [Russia's two largest oil companies](#); EU adopted [19th sanctions package](#); [New Zealand's sanctions](#) on Russia's oil sector (shadow fleet of tankers).

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- [Total Russian combat losses since February 24, 2022](#), to 31 October 2025: in personnel – 1,141,830, tanks – 11,310, ACV – 23,519, artillery system – 34,128.
- President [Zelenskyy held a meeting with Prime Minister Yuliia Svyrydenko](#), all members of the Cabinet on the first 100 days of the reformed Government.
- During the night of October 30, [Ukrainian air defenses intercepted 623 drones](#) and missiles out of 705 launched by Russia since the evening of October 29.
- Ukraine's Security Service and military intelligence [destroyed one of Russia's top-secret "Oreshnik"](#) strategic missile systems.
- Russian troops deliberately targeted a [children's hospital in Kherson](#).
- New wave of Russian missile strikes [damaged gas production facilities](#) on October 28.

Learn more

Today, we recommend reading an important and profound article by Oleksandra Matviichuk – human rights defender, head of the Center for Civil Liberties, and Nobel Peace Prize laureate (2022) – entitled ["If We Stop Resisting and Russia Occupies Ukraine, We Simply Will Not Exist."](#) It is a reminder of why Ukrainians continue to fight despite exhaustion and pain – an honest reflection on the true cost of peace, which cannot be achieved through capitulation, and on the strength of people who choose hope over fear.

