Joint Market Monitoring Initiative (JMMI) – April 2024

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01 Methodology

Methodology

Providing data on price trends and market functionality indicators Data collection is a joint, partner-led exercise Monthly basis Quantitative, structured interviews: retailer and customer Kls interviews Per assessed hromada:

- 3 prices per item
- 5 customer Kl interviews

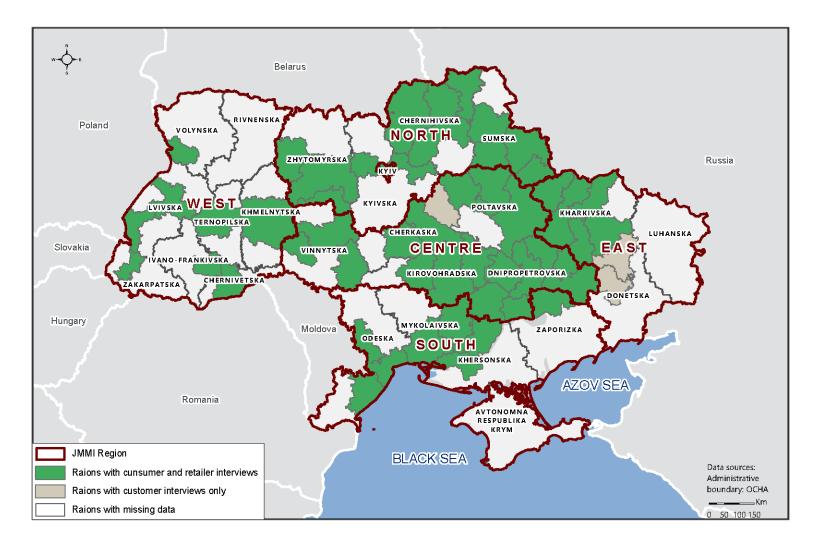
Limitations:

The results should be considered as indicative.

Only the price of the least expensive commonly purchased brand or variety is recorded for each JMMI item.

Some changes in the overall median prices may be driven by shifts in coverage rather than by true price.

JMMI in April 2024



 Participating partners Assessed *oblasts* Assessed hromadas Key informant interviews (KIIs) customers surveyed 40% 60% retailers surveyed Commodities assessed



Key findings

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Availability issues regarding essential items and accessibility to financial services were most frequently reported in the areas near the frontline, especially in Donetska and Zaporizka Oblast



Access to stores and markets in these areas was reportedly restricted due to various security-related and other factors.

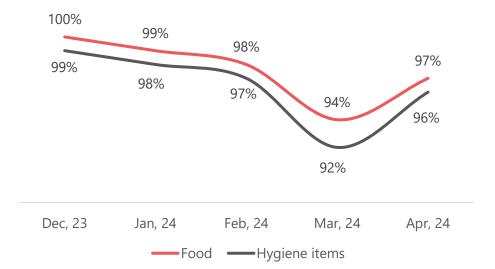
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Nationwide, affordability remained a core issue.

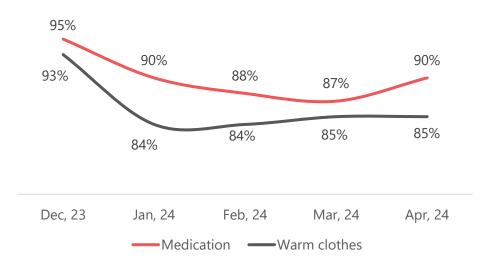
03 Availability of goods and financial services

Availability of goods

% of customer KIs reported full availability of food and hygiene items, nationally



% of customer KIs reported full availability of medication and warm clothes, nationally

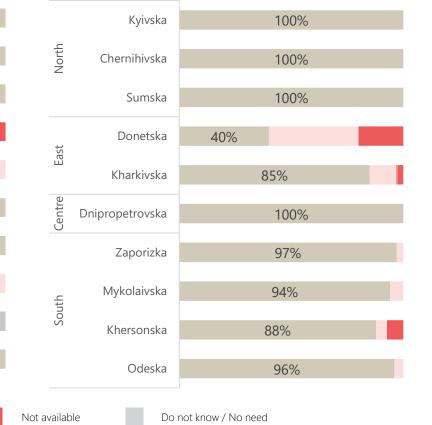


Availability of goods

In April 2024, by oblast*, % of customer KIs who reported the availability of:

100% Kyivska North North Chernihivska 100% 100% Sumska 50% Donetska East East 95% Kharkivska Centre Centre Dnipropetrovska 100% Zaporizka 100% Mykolaivska 94% South South Khersonska 85% 100% Odeska Fully available Not available Limited availability Available on order

Food items



Hygiene items

Top 3 hromadas with the lowest availability of food items reported

- l. Marinska (Donetska oblast)
- 2. Izumska (Kharkivska oblast)
- 3. Beryslavska (Khersonska oblast)

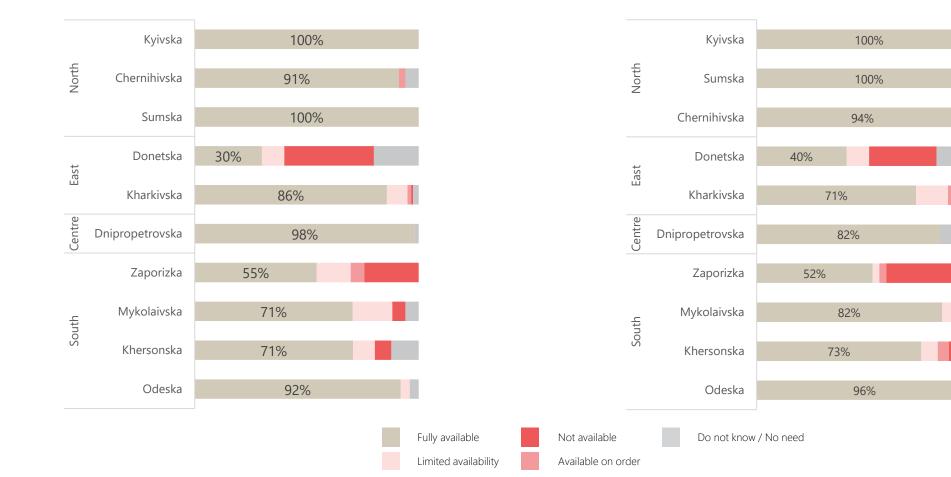
Top 4 hromadas with the lowest availability of hygiene items reported

- 1. Marinska (Donetska oblast)
- 2. Izumska (Kharkivska oblast)
- 3. Beryslavska and Rohanska (Khersonska and Kharkivska oblast)

* In the southern, eastern oblasts, as well as in selected northern and central oblasts.

Availability of goods

In April 2024, by oblast*, % of customer KIs who reported the availability of:



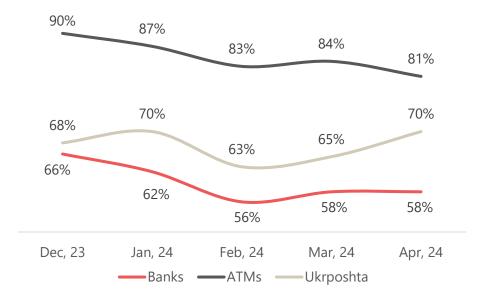
Medication

Warm clothes

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Availability of financial services

% of customer KIs reported full availability of financial services, nationally

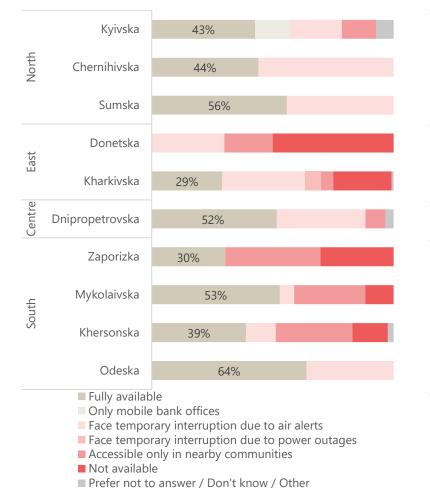


In April 2024, % of customer KIs reported:

- Temporary interruption in the operation of banks due to air alerts
 25% nationally
- The unavailability of banks in their communities
 - 70% Zaporizka 70% Donetska 46% Khersonska 41% Mykolaivska
- The absence of ATMs in their communities
 - 70% Donetska 58% Zaporizka 34% Khersonska 29% Mykolaivska
- Temporary interruption in the operation of Ukrposhta offices due to air alerts
 - **19%** nationally

Availability of financial services

In April 2024, by oblast*, % of customer KIs who reported the availability of: Functioning banks Functioning ATMs



Kyivska 57% North Chernihivska 97% Sumska 100% Donetska 10% East Kharkivska 51% Centre Dnipropetrovska 92% Zaporizka 30% Mykolaivska 59% South Khersonska 61% Odeska 100% Fully available The number of functional ATMs is highly limited

Face longer-term interruption to provide services

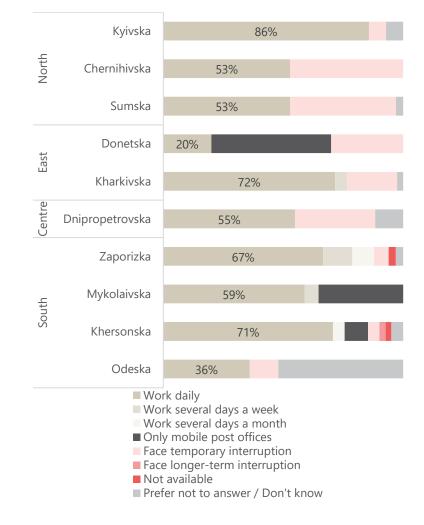
Not functioning due to technical issues

There are no ATMs in the community

Prefer not to answer / Don't know

Face temporary interruption

Functioning Ukrposhta offices



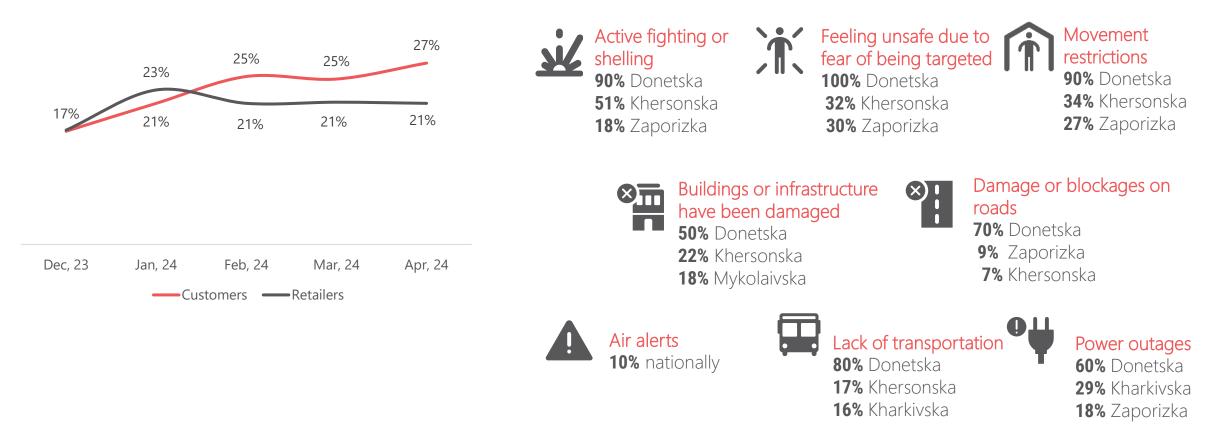
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Accessibility of stores and markets

Accessibility

% of respondents reporting that full-scale war has affected the ability to access stores, nationally



Main physical barriers to accessing stores or marketplaces

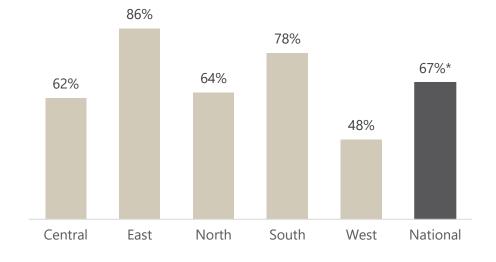
reported by customer KIs in April 2024



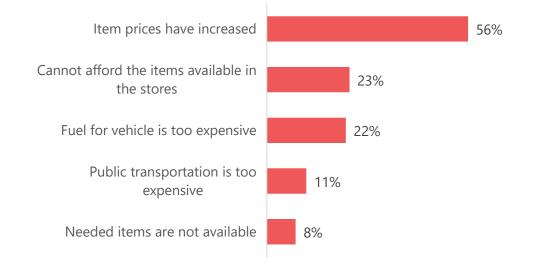
Affordability and prices

Affordability

% of customers KIs reporting that financial factors affected their access to goods in stores or marketplaces in April 2024, by region



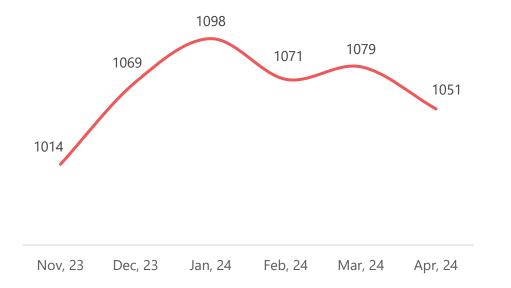
Main financial barriers to accessing goods in stores or marketplaces reported by customer KIs in April 2024, nationally*



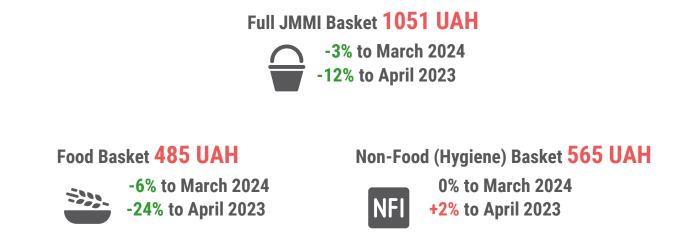
^{*} Data collected in Kyiv was not taken into account when calculating the indicator.

JMMI basket

Monthly evolution of the JMMI basket price (in UAH), nationally



JMMI basket in April 2024:



Compared to the previous month:

33% of retailer KIs in **Chernihivska oblast** reported an increase in prices **for all food items within the JMMI basket**

30% of retailer KIs in **Mykolaivska oblast** reported an increase in prices **for all non-food items within the JMMI basket**

Prices

Median prices (in UAH) of food items in April 2024, nationally

Item	Unit	Median prices (in UAH)	Change since Match 2024	Change since April 2023
Bread	500 g	18	-5%	-8%
Buckwheat	1 kg	25	-8%	-58%
Cabbage	1 kg	14	-7%	-44%
Carrots	1 kg	13	2%	-71%
Chicken (legs, fresh)	1 kg	97	-9%	-7%
Complementary cereal	200 g	90	-4%	15%
Eggs (chicken)	10 pcs	30	-25%	-49%
Milk (2.5%, fresh)	900 mL	34	-1%	6%
Oil (sunflower, refined)	900 mL	44	-2%	-26%
Onions	1 kg	16	-6%	-69%
Potatoes	1 kg	22	-6%	140%
Rice (round)	1 kg	50	0%	-14%
Water	1.5 L	16	11%	13%
Wheat flour (white)	1 kg	16	-4%	-11%
Total		485	-6%	-24%

Prices

Median prices (in UAH) of non-food (hygiene) items in April 2024, nationally

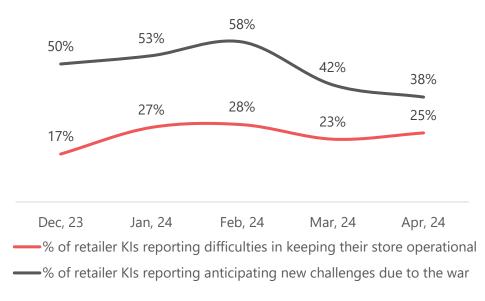
ltem	Unit	Median prices (in UAH)	Change since March 2024	Change since April 2023
Body soap	1 bar (75 g)	13	4%	1%
Diapers (infant)	1 pack (40-60 pcs)	401	0%	0%
Hygiene pads	1 pack (10pcs)	42	-3%	13%
Laundry soap	1 kg	21	5%	6%
Toothpaste	1 kg	40	3%	7%
Washing powder	200 g	49	3%	4%
Total		565	0%	2%



Market functionality

Market functionality

% of retailer KIs reporting difficulties in keeping their stores operational and anticipating new challenges in the coming months due to the war



23% of retailer KIs in the South, **20%** in the East, and **9%** in the North reported some structural or severe damage

Main difficulties in maintaining operational and well-stocked stores reported by retailer KIs in April 2024



16% nationally Price increase among suppliers



27% in the South, 16% in the East Storage of goods during the absence of electricity



16% in the North, 12% in the West Full staffing

Top 2 challenges retailer KIs expect to face in the coming months due to the war, nationally

32%

% Rising prices



28% Reduced purchasing power of customers

Conclusion

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Concluding remarks

Availability issues regarding food and hygiene items were most frequently reported in Donetska and Khersonska oblasts, while issues with medications and warm clothes were mainly reported in Donetska and Zaporizka oblasts.

Customer KIs in the areas near the frontline faced challenges accessing financial services, primarily due to the lack of functioning banks and ATMs in their communities. Access to shops and markets in these areas was reportedly restricted due to insecurity, damage to buildings and roads, lack of transportation, and power outages.

The issue of affordability remained crucial nationwide, with 56% of customer KIs citing increased prices as the primary barrier to accessing goods in markets, and 23% reporting an inability to afford goods available in stores.

Multi-purpose cash assistance could still be relevant for most of the country, in terms of humanitarian response. A differentiated approach to aid selection, whether cash or in-kind assistance, may be necessary in the areas near the frontline.

Ongoing monitoring of the market situation is essential in the areas closer to the frontline and the North due to deteriorating security conditions.

Thank you for your attention



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