



EXTENDED VERSION

IT RESEARCH UKRAINE 2023: ADAPTABILITY AND RESILIENCE AMIDST WAR





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The only comprehensive and detailed study of the tech industry in Ukraine during the war, which will provide an understanding of the current market situation today and a forecast for the future development of the industry in order to:



implement changes and make informed business decisions based on precise analytical data



optimize business processes and investments



select the right trajectory for company growth



evaluate potential risks and prepare for new challenges



According to the response from State Statistics Service of Ukraine, official data for Ukraine's GDP in 2023 will be published by March 2024.

As of the data collection and preparation of macroeconomic indicators calculation and research report publication, the reporting year has not concluded. Consequently, changes and adjustments may occur in the balance of payments.

Properly calculating the economic impact of the industry's activities and all derived indicators is impossible for year-over-year representation.

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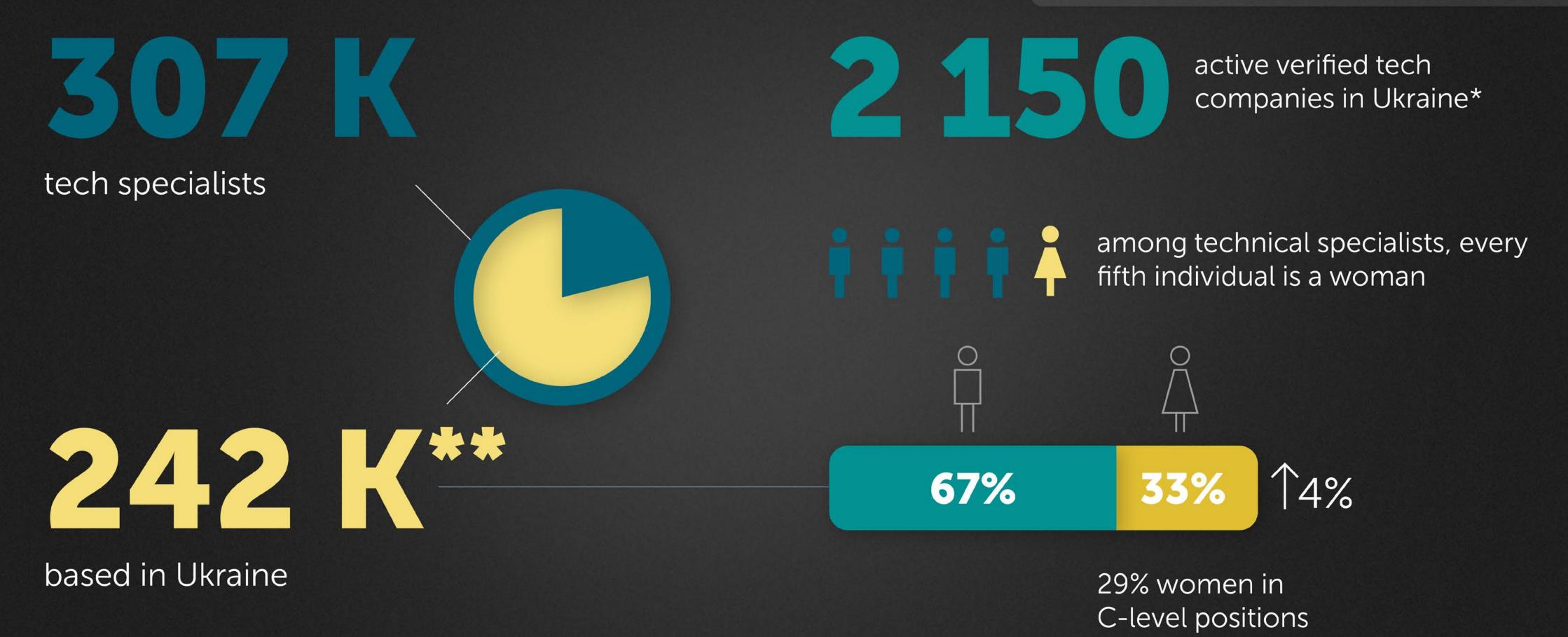
6.1 Investments available exclusively for the

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Lviv IT Cluster members and partners

1.1 Key Indicators

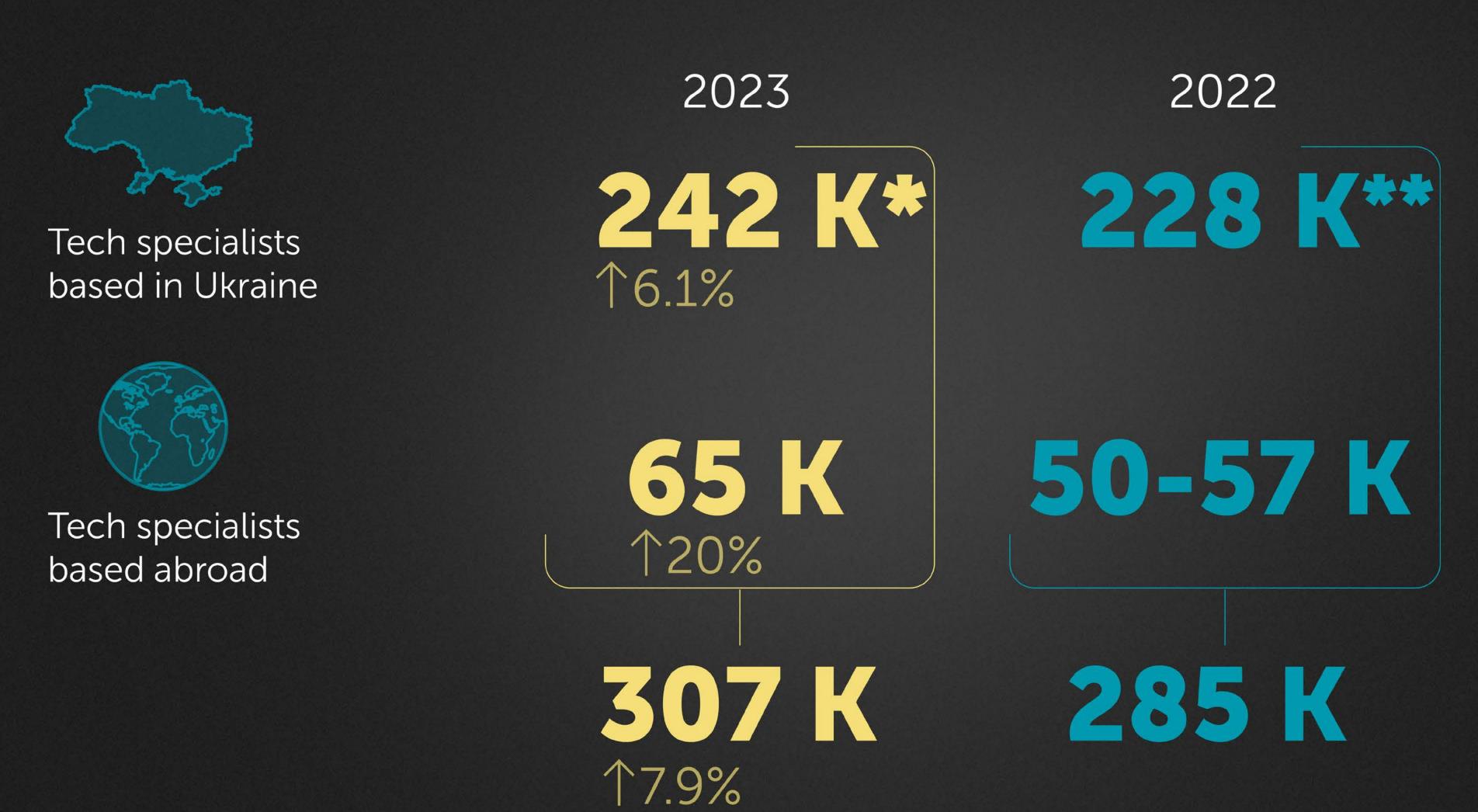
Ukraine's tech potential redefines global market



^{*} Tech companies are companies that provide information and computer services, including the delivery of software products, consulting services related to software development, software testing, business analysis, and other types of consulting services related to information or computer technologies. The following types of companies are excluded from consideration: internet service providers, computer hardware stores, and institutions that involve tech specialists in their activities but whose end product is not the aforementioned services. For calculation and verification purposes, the focus is on active tech companies based on the indication of a single commercial brand or name. Therefore, if a company is registered as several LLCs, it is counted as one unit. This approach is also applied to large service companies, taking into account products that are fully or partially part of the business.

** As of August 2023.

1.1 Key Indicators



^{*} As of August 2023.

^{**} As of May 2022.

1.2 Tech Industry: A Key Driver of the Economy

The tech industry's role in Ukraine's economy



Total economic effect of Ukraine's tech industry*



tech industry turnover in 2022



Taxes paid by representatives of the tech industry to budgets at various levels for the year 2022**



S238 million

Direct tech investments in Ukraine in 2022***

^{*} The total economic effect of the tech industry consists of a direct effect - the gross value added (GVA) of the industry: the difference between the proceeds from the sale of tech services and products and the operating expenses of companies, as well as an indirect effect: additional GVA generated by related sectors of the economy.

^{** 21.4} billion UAH, according to the State Tax Service, based on the NBU exchange rate of 36.56 UAH per USD (calculated on October 2, 2023).

^{***} Net inflow of foreign investments, including reinvestment, according to the NBU data. Data for 2022. See Slide 3.

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The tech industry's role in Ukraine's economy



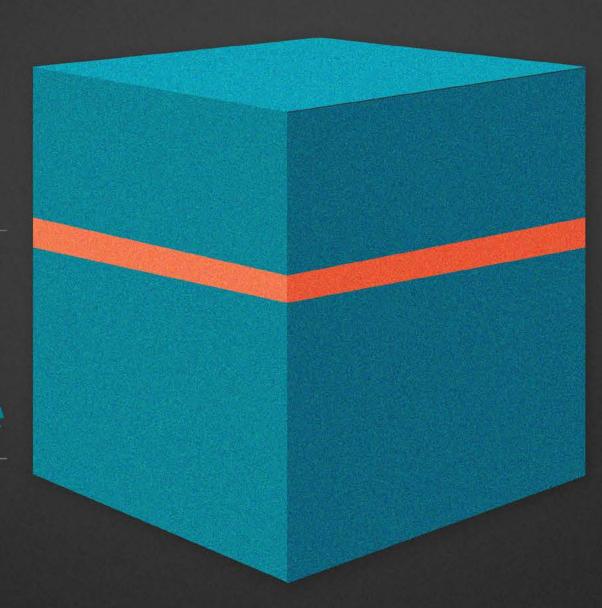


\$5.5 billion*

Contribution of the tech industry to Gross Value Added (GVA**)

\$130.6 billion***

Total GVA of Ukraine



\$161 billion

Nominal GDP of Ukraine in 2022

^{* 201.1} billion UAH, at the exchange rate of the National Bank of Ukraine (NBU) 36.56 UAH per USD (calculated on October 2, 2023).

^{**} Gross value added (GVA) of the industry: the difference between the proceeds from the sale of tech services and products and the operating expenses of companies. Drives direct economic effect.

^{*** 4.78} trillion UAH, at the exchange rate of NBU 36.56 UAH per USD (calculated on October 2, 2023). Data for 2022. See Slide 3.

1.2 Tech Industry: A Key Driver of the Economy

Foreign direct investment in Ukraine: operations by types of economic activity, million, \$*

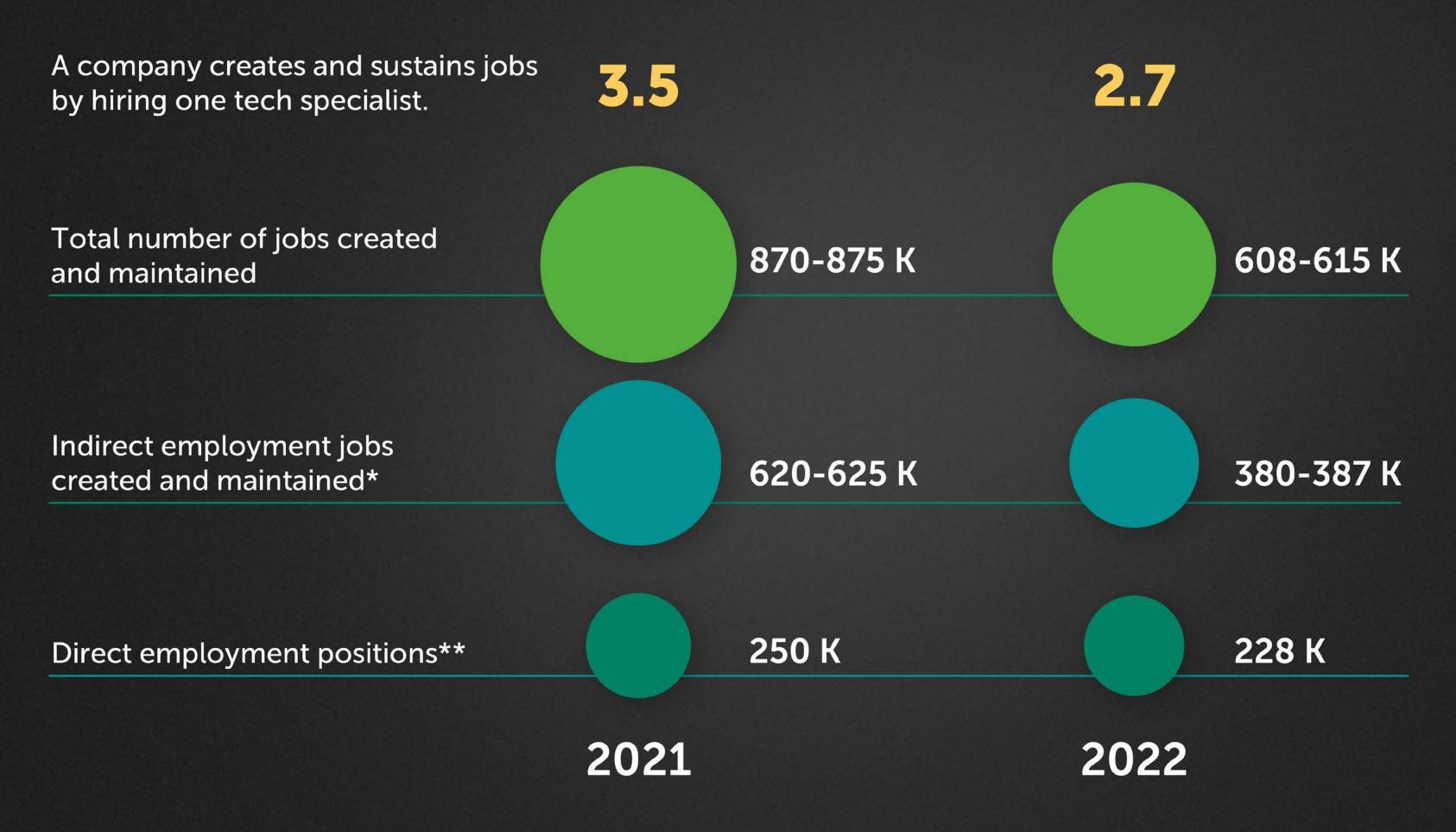
	2020	2021	2022	Quarter I 2023
Direct investment in Ukraine: total operations	-36	7 320	557	2 468
IT in total	116.3	116.2	238	86
Of these, software publishing (58.2)	-0.9			-0.59
Software pastisting (So.E)		0.9	0.2	
Of these, computer programming, consultancy, and related activities (62.0)	114.6	102.9	227.4	79.5
Of these, data processing, hosting		12.4	10.3	7.2
and related activities; web portals (63.1)	2.6			
Share of IT in foreign direct investment in Ukraine	_	1.59%	42.7%	3.5%

^{*} According to the National Bank of Ukraine data.

Statistics on foreign direct investment (through the use of equity and debt instruments) include data on flows, stocks, and income arising between parties involved in direct investment relationships.

1.2 Tech Industry: A Key Driver of the Economy

Dynamics of job creation and preservation by the tech industry



^{*} Indirect employment positions are created through additional sales, income, and employment generated by entrepreneurial activities supplying goods and services necessary for the functioning and production of products in the tech industry. Additionally, they result from the induced effect: additional employment created by consumer spending earned through direct or indirect economic activities within the tech industry and related sectors benefiting from additional consumption.

^{**} Direct employment positions – jobs for specialists directly employed in tech companies and self-employed in the field (freelancers).

1.2 Tech Industry: A Key Driver of the Economy

Dynamics of the Ukrainian tech industry

Turnover of the tech industry

2021 \$7.89 billion

2022 \$7.97 billion 10.9%

Forecast **\$8.0** bill on **10.45%**

1.2 Tech Industry: A Key Driver of the Economy

Dynamics of the Ukrainian tech industry

Export revenue volume

\$6.94 billion

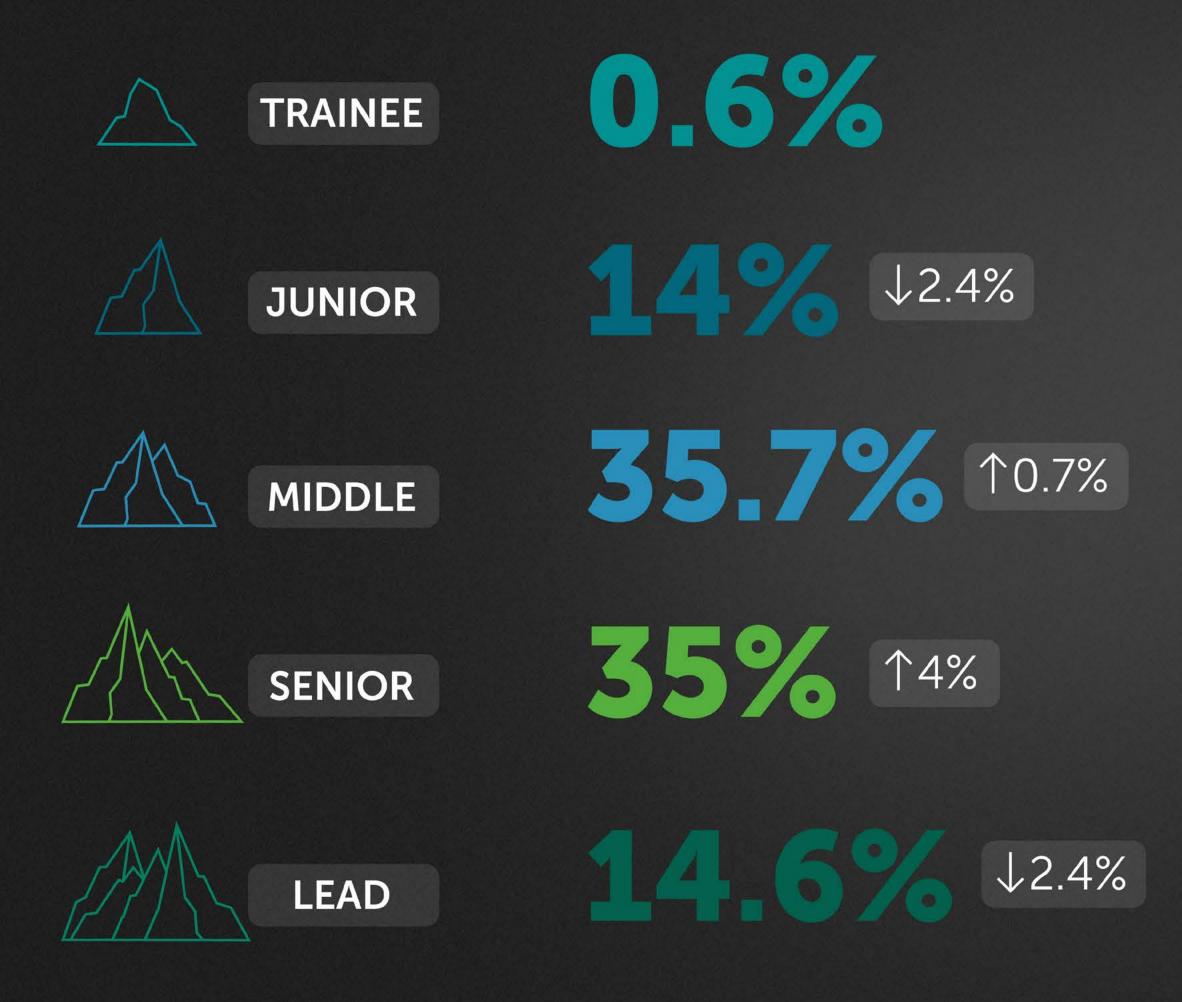
\$7.35 billion

Forecast **\$6.78 - \$7.18** billion

41.5%

Computer services make up a significant portion of the total export structure of all services and remain a key sector ensuring foreign currency inflow into the economy despite the crisis.

1.3 Tech Talent Pool



Ukraine is rich in highly skilled technical talents who drive the global technology market. 42.6% have general work experience in the tech industry of more than 6 years, with 7.8% having over 15 years of experience.

59.8%

of all tech specialists in Ukraine have technical specializations

>83%

of the entire pool of technical talents consists of specialists with qualifications at the Middle, Senior, and Lead levels

1.3 Tech Talent Pool

How many children do tech specialists have?

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Among all tech specialists	s 67.9%	18.9%	11.4%	1.6%	1.6%
Among men	65.2%	20.1%	13.2%	1.4%	0.1%
Among women	73.7%	16.4%	7.8%	1.9%	0.2%

The majority of tech specialists fall within the age range of 26 to 35 years old.

Among tech specialists, 32.1% have children, with 58.8% having one child, and 5.6% being parents of three or more children.

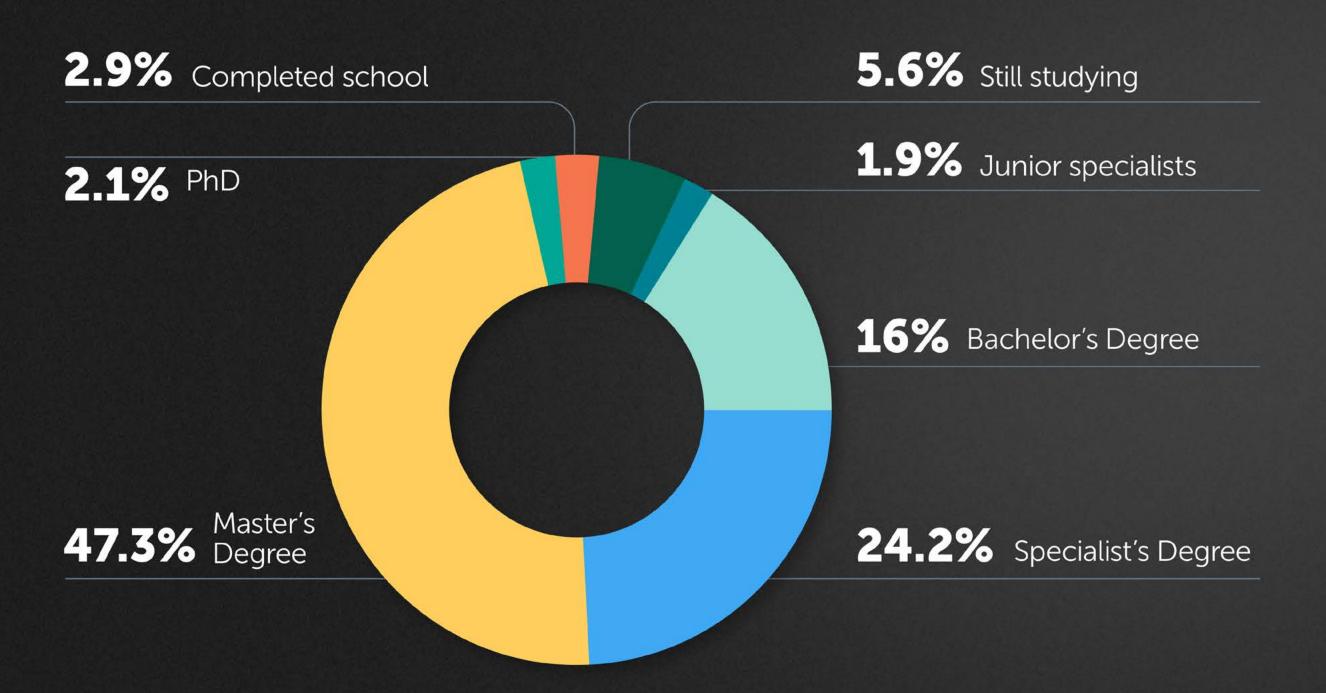
Average age of a tech specialist



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1.3 Tech Talent Pool

Education level



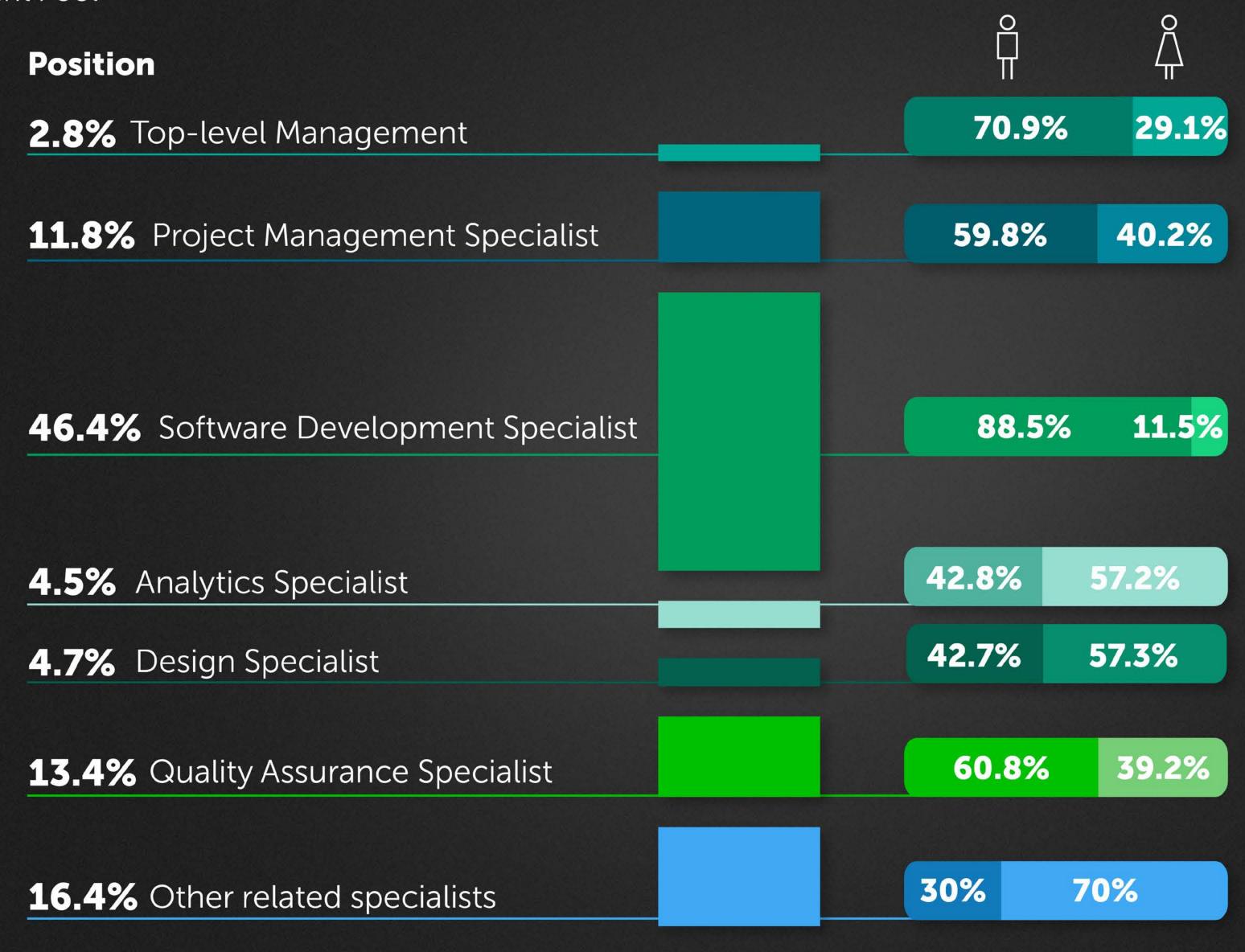
Almost half of those employed in the tech industry have obtained or are pursuing technical education related to computer science.

Educational specialization of tech specialists*

Technical specialization	Non-technical specialization	
70.9%		35.6%
47.3%	23.6%	
Technical specialization related to computer science	Technical sp unrelated to	ecialization computer science

^{*} Respondents had the option to choose more than one answer.

1.3 Tech Talent Pool

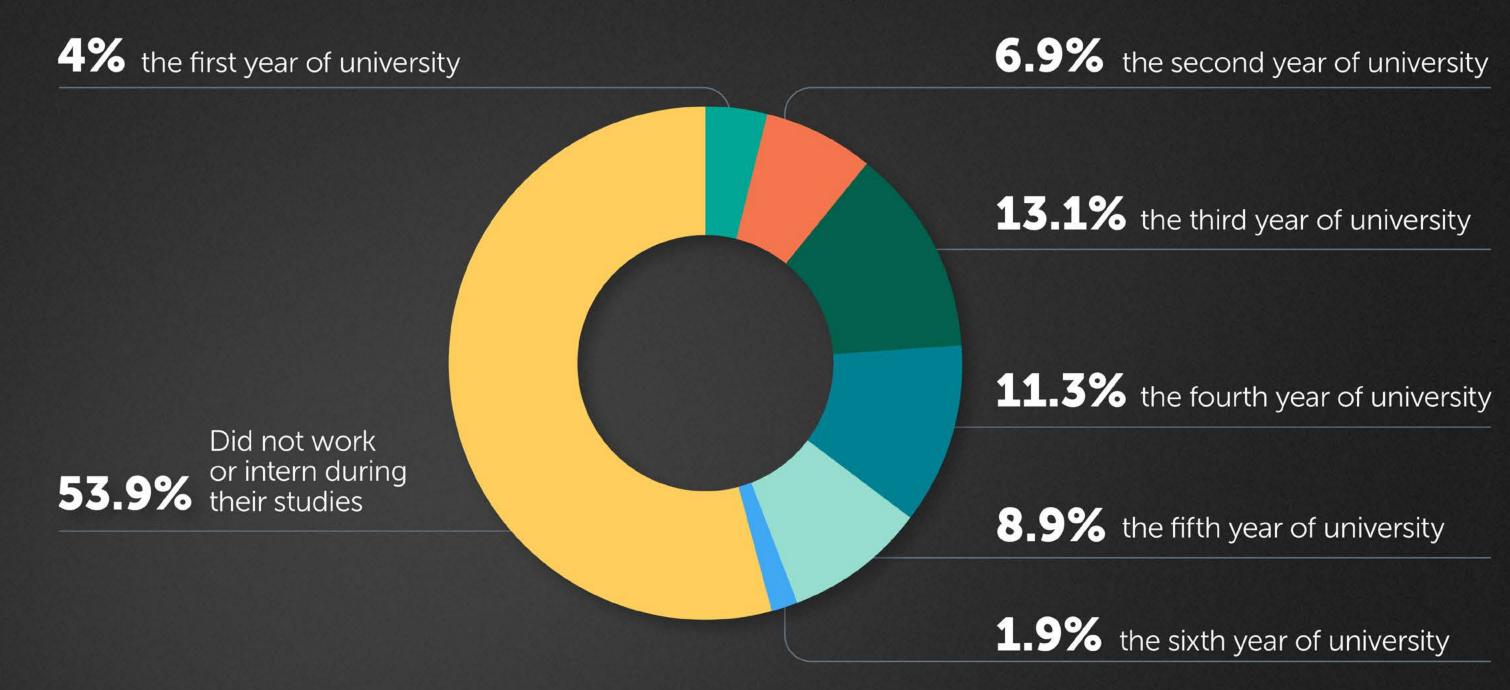


Almost half of all tech specialists work in the position of Software Development Specialist, and their share has decreased by 4% compared to the previous year.

1.4 Professional Profile of Tech Specialists

Almost half of tech specialists started working or interning at a tech company during their studies, typically beginning around the third year of university.

Internship start in a tech company during

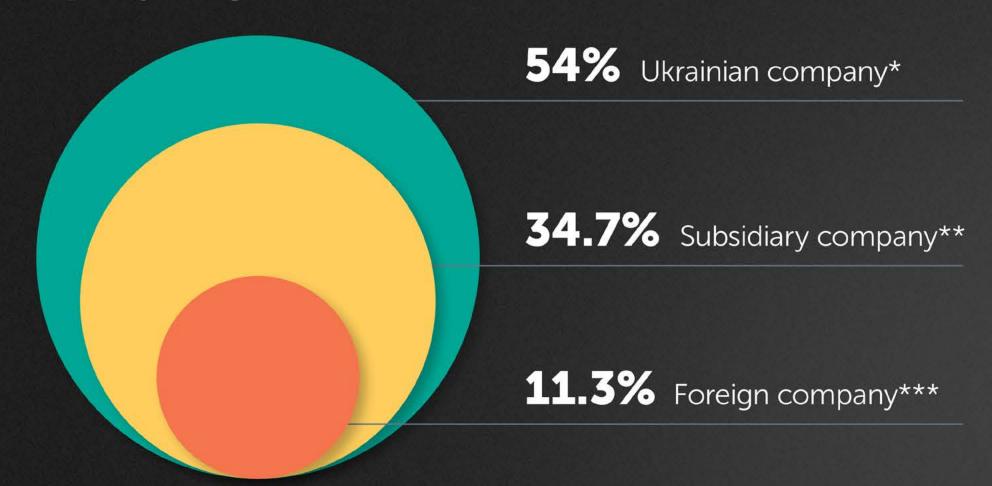


Work experience in tech



1.4 Professional Profile of Tech Specialists

Company origin



The share of tech specialists working in large companies has increased by **6.4%**. This year, **40.4%** are employed in large companies, compared to **34%** in 2022.

Half of tech specialists work in companies of Ukrainian origin.



Company size



^{*} Founded in Ukraine.

^{**} Founded abroad, with a presence in Ukraine.

^{***} Founded abroad, with no presence in Ukraine.

1.4 Professional Profile of Tech Specialists

47.7%

of tech specialists noted that their work has changed

of tech specialists were unemployed at the time of the study

Moved to another project within the company

33.4% Changed their workplace

Changed their position within **27.5%** the company

12.0% Moved to the bench (on standby)

5.9% Transitioned to part-time employment

found their first job in the tech industry in 2023

Other changes accounted for 10.9%:

- Increased workload
- Decreased workload
- Reduction in compensation / freezing of salary reviews
- Found a new job
- Transitioned to remote work
- Took a sabbatical / maternity leave
- Were mobilized into the Ukrainian Armed Forces

are or have moved to the bench this year

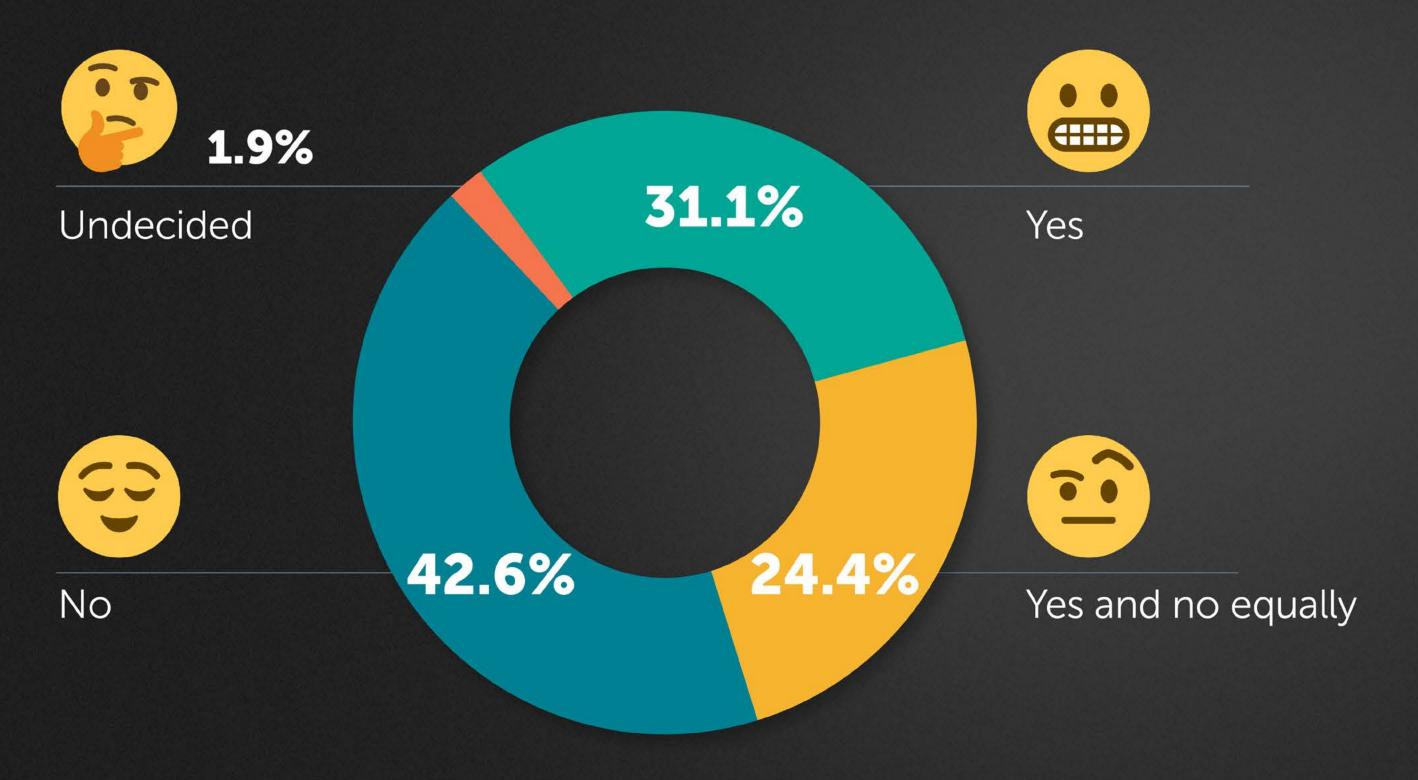
of which had an unpaid bench

among those who moved to the bench returned to work

of the interviewed tech
specialists on standby have
not been able to get a project
for more than six months

1.4 Professional Profile of Tech Specialists

Do tech specialists worry about the possibility of losing their jobs?



1/3

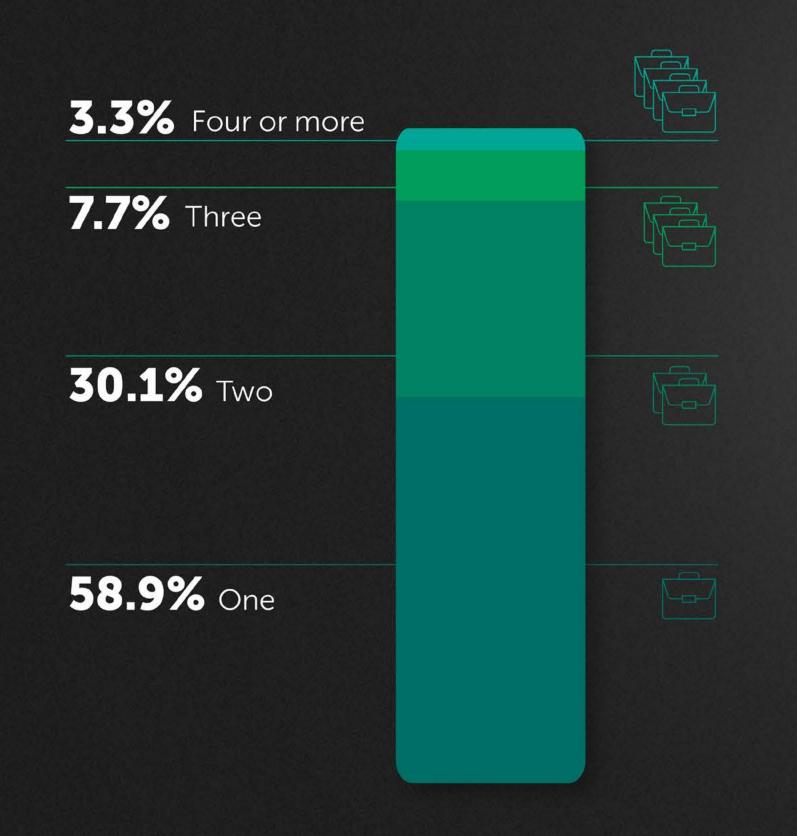
of tech specialists are concerned about losing their jobs this year. There is more anxiety among those who have already been on standby.

QA Engineers perceive the highest risk of job loss.

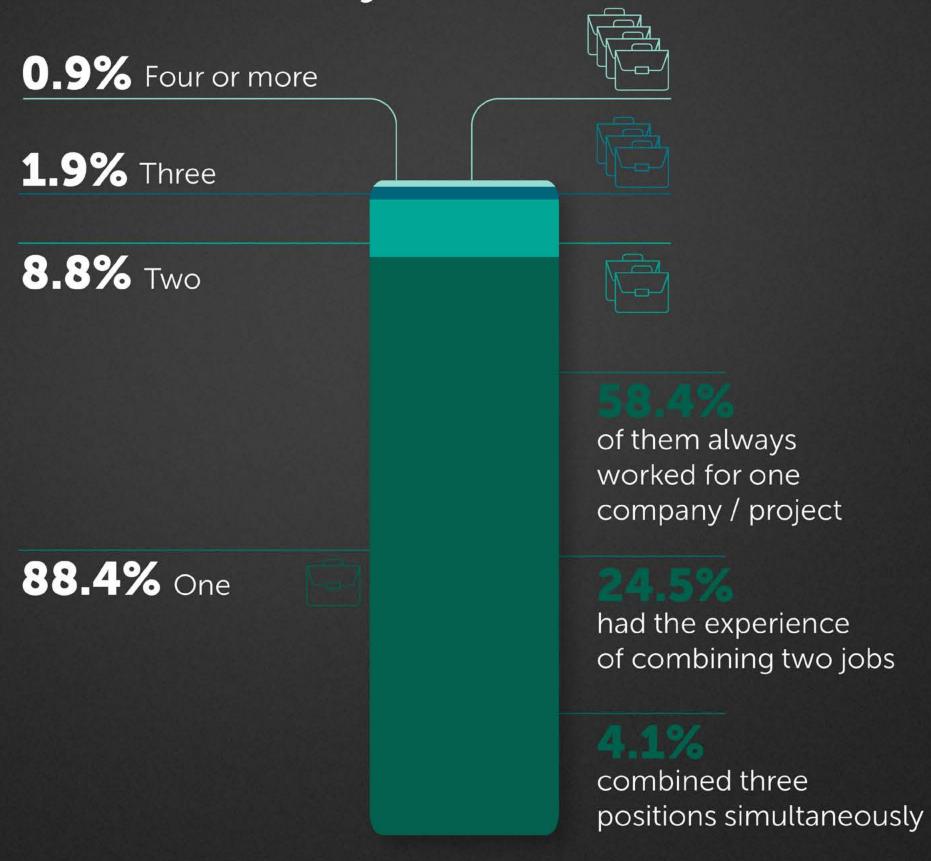
Project managers and senior managers are the least worried.

1.4 Professional Profile of Tech Specialists

The number of companies / freelance projects that tech specialists worked for simultaneously



The number of companies / freelance projects that tech specialists continue to work for simultaneously



58.4%

of tech specialists have never worked on more than one job, while 1/3 have done so at some point, combining two positions.

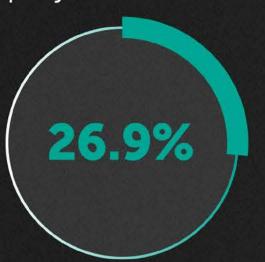
Half of those who had experience with multiple jobs stayed in those roles for no more than six months.

At the time of the study, the majority of tech specialists were employed by a single company.

1.4 Professional Profile of Tech Specialists

What is missing within the company to provide additional motivation for tech specialists to engage in long-term collaboration?

Availability of interesting projects



Developed corporate governance



Company values and mission that align with their beliefs



Availability of interest groups, extracurricular activities within the company



Low level of bureaucracy



Availability of a comfortable office and convenient location



Other reasons



41.4%

of tech specialists claim that the company provides them with everything necessary to continue working in the company.

1.5 Income and Expenses of Tech Specialists

The income of tech specialists increased by no more than 20% as a result of the financial reward review.

Income declined for 1 out of 10 specialists.

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How have incomes changed over the past year?

of tech specialists have undergone a financial reward review in the past year*

42% r

consider their financial reward sufficient

15%

represents the median increase in compensation following the review

4.6% Income significantly decreased

Income remained the same

11.7%

Income significantly increased

31.5%

14.3%

32.1%

5.8% Income decreased but not significantly

Income increased but not significantly

Refused to answer

However, compared to the previous year, there are fewer specialists experiencing income decreases (24% in 2022) and a notable increase in specialists with higher income levels (14% in 2022).

^{*} Among those for whom such a review is stipulated in the contract; in 5.9%, a planned review of financial compensation is not provided for by the contract.

1.5 Income and Expenses of Tech Specialists

\$2630

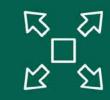
Median income of individuals engaged in the tech sector in Ukraine

\$2 360 in 2022



tech specialists' income





Learn more about the specific compensation ranges for 120+ positions in the tech industry – get access to the IT RESEARCH: SALARY REPORT.

Are tech specialists ready for a potential decrease in financial compensation?

Yes	19.0%
Equally yes and no	18.9%
No	62.1%

^{*} Technical specialists include: Software Development Specialist (Software Engineer / Web Developer (Frontend / Backend / Full Stack), DevOps Engineer, Mobile Developer, Data Scientist / Machine Learning Engineer, Solution Architect, Database Administrator (DBA), Blockchain Developer, etc.), Quality Assurance Specialists (QA (manual, automation), QA Lead).

^{**} Non-technical specialists include: Top-level Management, Project Management Specialist (PM, Delivery Manager, Team Lead, Product Manager, Scrum Master, etc.), Analytics Specialists (Business Analyst, Web Data Analyst), Design Specialists (Web-designer, UI / UX Specialist, Graphic Design Specialist), and other related Specialists (HR, Marketing Manager, SEO Specialist, Recruiter, Sales Manager, Technical Writer, Finance Analyst, PR Manager, etc.).

1.5 Income and Expenses of Tech Specialists

Tech specialists' readiness for compensation reduction

3.23±0.19 Top-level Management

2.54±0.08 Project Management Specialist

2.42±0.04 Software Development Specialist

2.19±0.10 Analytics Specialists

2.15±0.10 Design Specialists

2.40±0.07 Quality Assurance Specialists

2.22±0.06 Other related Specialists

2% reduction

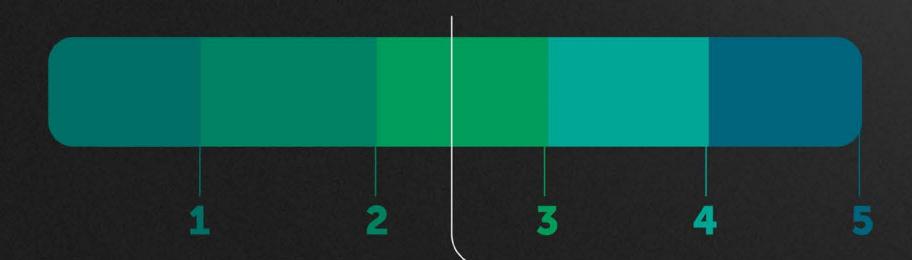
in compensation is a possible compromise

Among job positions, senior managers appear to be the most prepared for a potential reduction in compensation.

Others, on the other hand, are less ready.

For one-third of tech specialists who are preparing for such a scenario, the maximum acceptable limit for compensation reduction is no more than 10%, while for another third, it's no more than 20%.

There is no connection between the current compensation amount and the highest percentage by which it can be reduced. Specialists who work simultaneously in multiple companies or projects are equally unprepared for income reduction.





the average readiness score among all tech specialists if the company reduces compensation levels (calculated by a 5-point scale)

1.5 Income and Expenses of Tech Specialists

How have expenses changed over the past year?

44.8% Expenses increased significantly

28.1% Expenses increased but not significantly

9.7% Expenses remained the same

12.6% Refused to answer

2.7% Expenses decreased but not significantly

2.1% Expenses significantly decreased

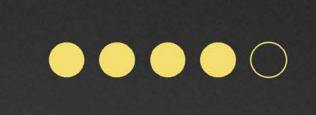
tech specialists indicate that their expenses increased in 2023 compared to 62% last year.

The largest portion of income goes towards basic necessities such as housing and food. The remaining expenses typically account for no more than 25% on average.

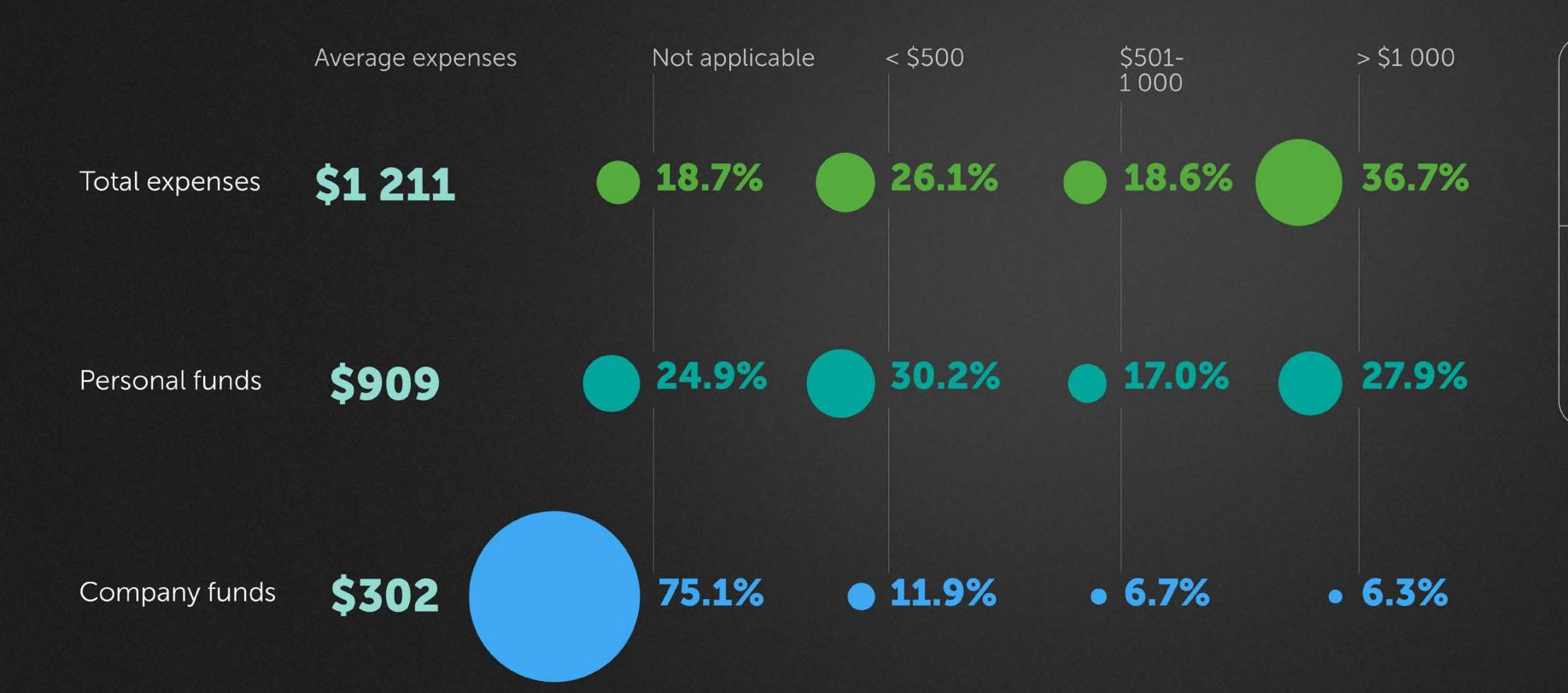
More than 80% of tech specialists have the capacity to save, with an average of a quarter of their income being set aside. Every tenth individual manages to save more than half of their monthly earnings.

1.5 Income and Expenses of Tech Specialists

Expenses of specialists on autonomous energy resources during blackouts



4 out of 5 specialists invested in ensuring workplace autonomy during power outages.



>\$1200

per person – the total expenditure on ensuring autonomy.

Most tech specialists covered the expenses themselves. **25%** received compensation from the company, averaging \$300.

1.5 Income and Expenses of Tech Specialists

Monthly expenses breakdown

213 of tech specialists allocated of their budget to charity.* This is +4.6% compared to 2022. of tech specialists allocate a portion

~38% Basic needs [food, housing, clothing, debt repayment]



~16% Additional needs [leisure, hobbies, transportation, etc.]







of tech specialists allocate a portion of their budget to charity

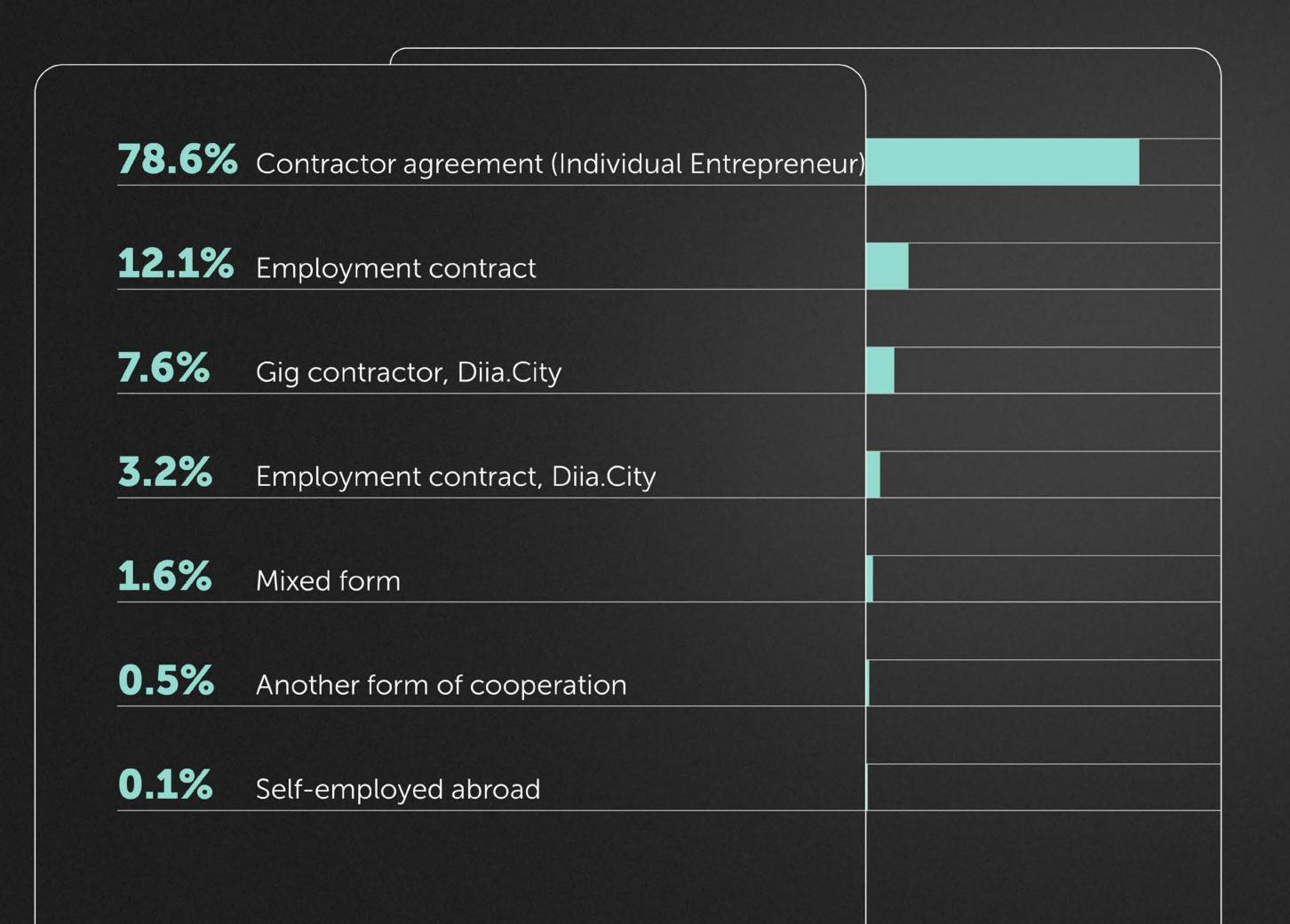
among them donate more than a quarter of their income



average monthly charitable donation of a tech specialist

1.6 Employment Forms of Tech Specialists

Employment forms



In 2023, the structure of employment forms for tech specialists changed. The number of Individual Entrepreneurs decreased by

compared to the previous year, notably due to the transition to gig contracts.

1.6 Employment Forms of Tech Specialists

of tech specialists are planning to legalize themselves abroad

claim to have already legalized themselves as local foreign contractors or hired employees

Plans for legalization abroad

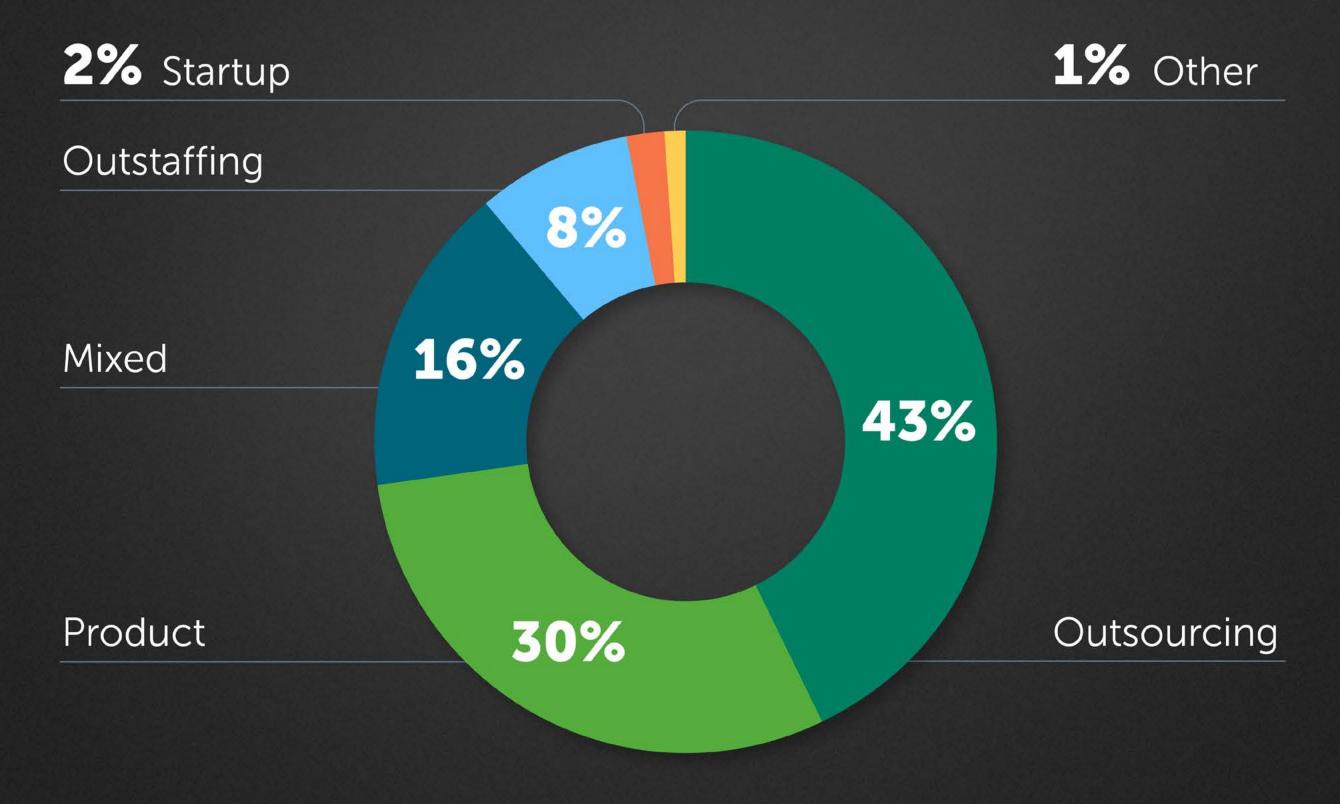
	Plan to	Do not plan to	Do not know / have not Al thought about it	lready legalized
Top-level Management	18.0%	37.7%	41.0%	3.3%
Project Management Specialist	10.2%	44.1%	45.3%	0.4%
Software Development Specialist	19.2%	27.9%	52.3%	0.6%
Analytics Specialist	14.3%	30.6%	53.1%	2.0%
Design Specialist	8.7%	24.0%	66.3%	1.0%
Quality Assurance Specialist	12.1%	34.8%	53.1%	0.0%
Other related Specialists	6.3%	42.7%	49.0%	2.0%

1.6 Employment Forms of Tech Specialists

Tech specialists' engagement in companies by business model type

More than 51% of Ukraine's tech specialists work in service companies.

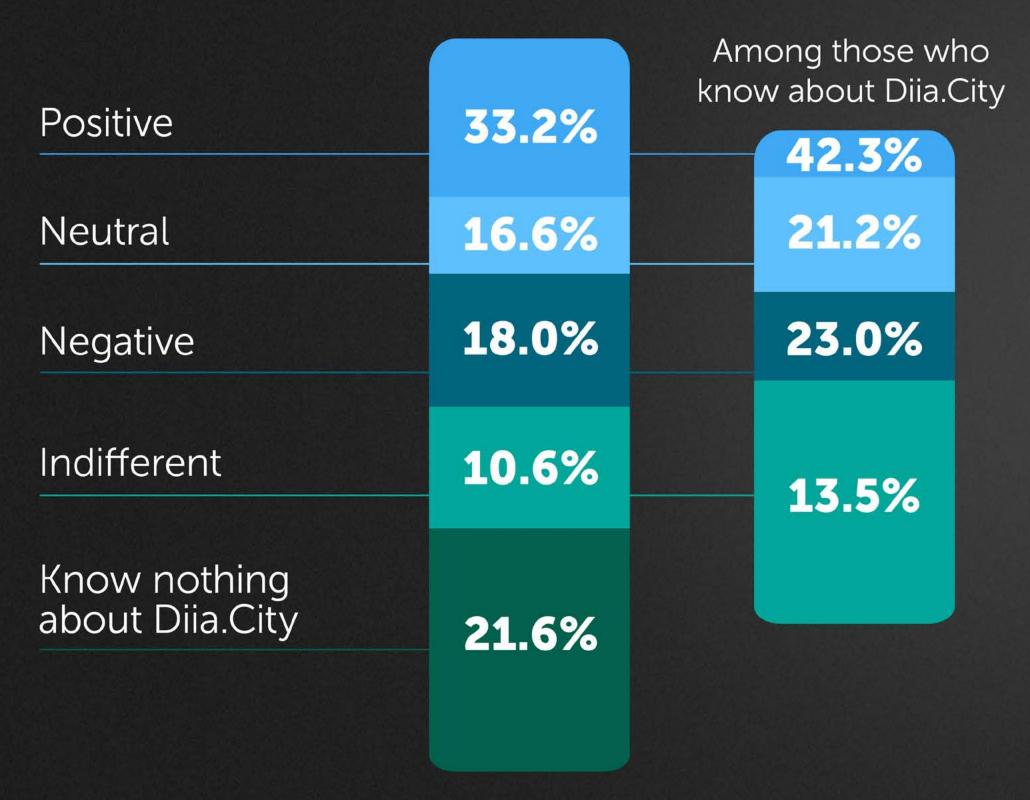




1.7 Attitudes of Tech Specialists Towards Government Initiatives and Programs

The attitude towards the project is mostly positive or neutral. 17% of tech specialist have changed their attitude from the moment of the establishment of Diia. City to a positive view of this initiative.

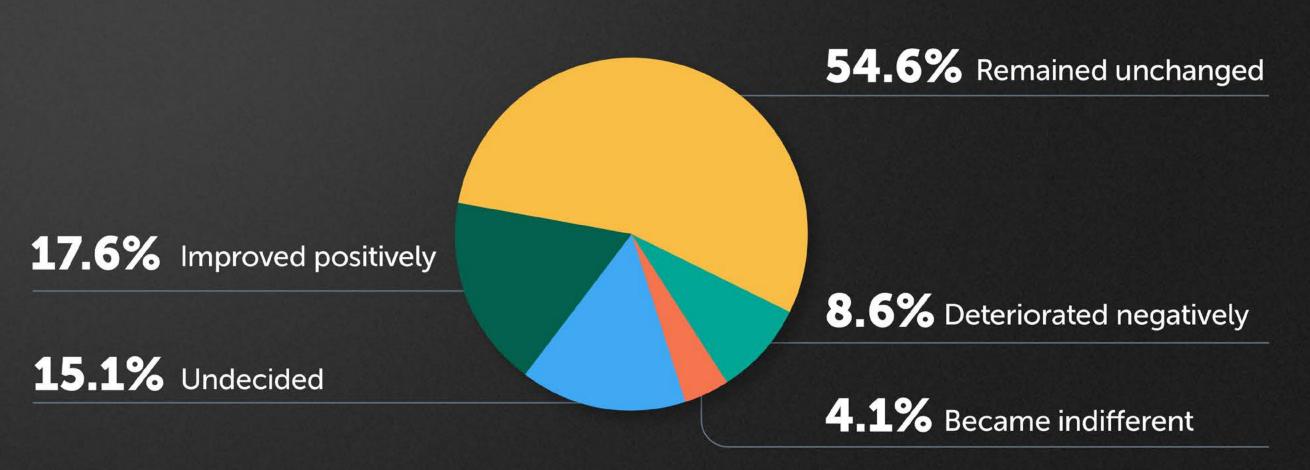
Tech specialists' attitude towards Diia. City





4 out of 5 tech specialists are aware of the unique legal and tax environment for the development of tech businesses in Diia.City*.

How have the opinions of tech professionals about Diia. City changed since its founding?



^{*} As of the end of November 2023, over 700 companies are residents of Diia. City, employing nearly 56 thousand professionals.

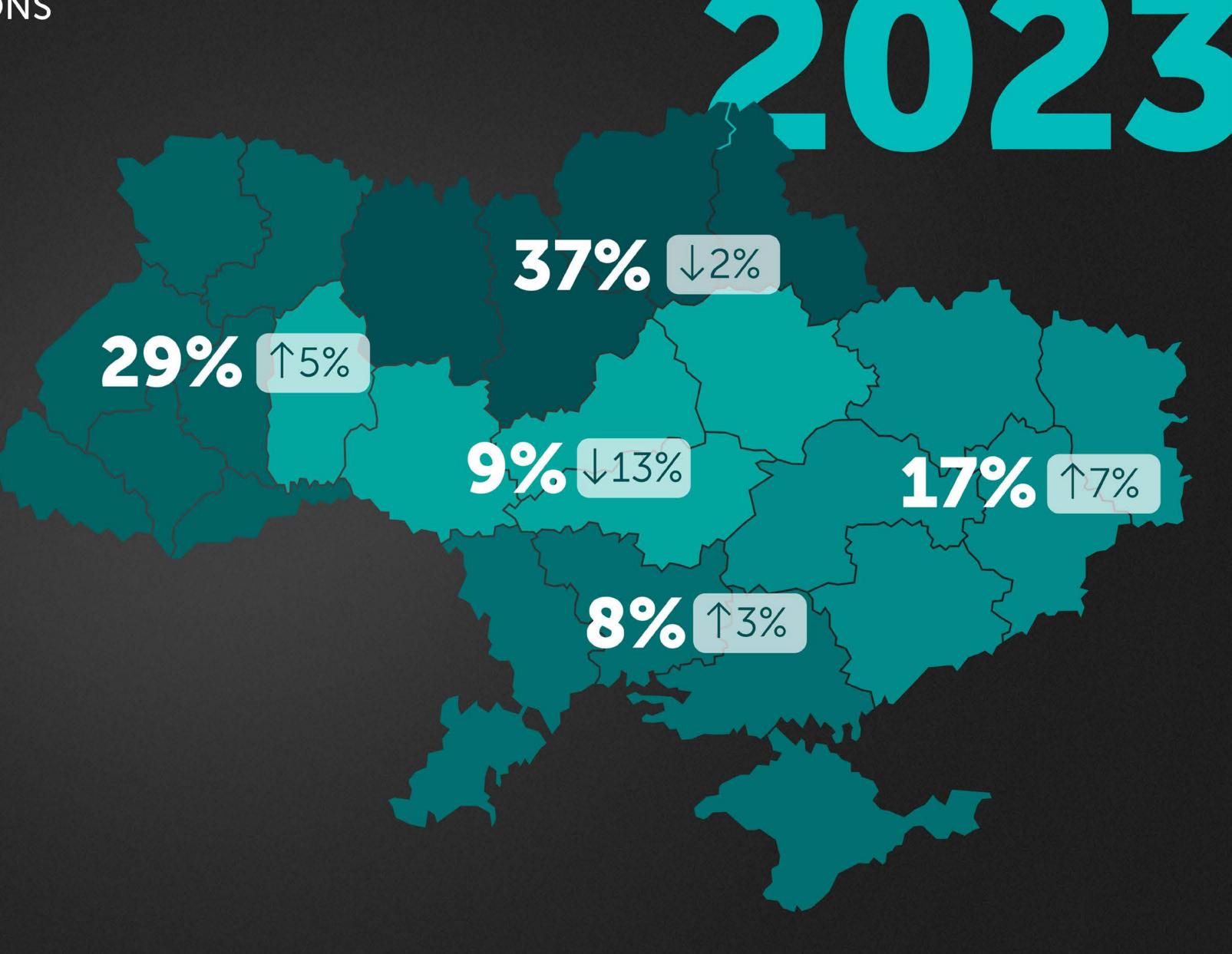
LOCAL TECH INDUSTRY DISTINCTIONS

2. LOCAL TECH INDUSTRY DISTINCTIONS

2.1 Technical Talent Pool. Regional Specifics

More than 1/3 of industry specialists reside in the North, while over 1/4 are in the West.

In 2023, the number of tech professionals in the West of Ukraine increased compared to the previous year, according 24% to IT Research Resilience data



^{*} Central – Vinnytsia, Kirovohrad, Khmelnytskyi, Cherkasy, Poltava regions
North – Kyiv city and the region, Zhytomyr, Chernihiv, Sumy regions
West – Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Zakarpattia, Ternopil, Chernivtsi, Rivne, Volyn regions
South – Odesa, Mykolaiv, Kherson regions
Fast – Kharkiy, Dnipropetrovsk, Zaporizhia, Donetsk regions

East – Kharkiv, Dnipropetrovsk, Zaporizhia, Donetsk regions.

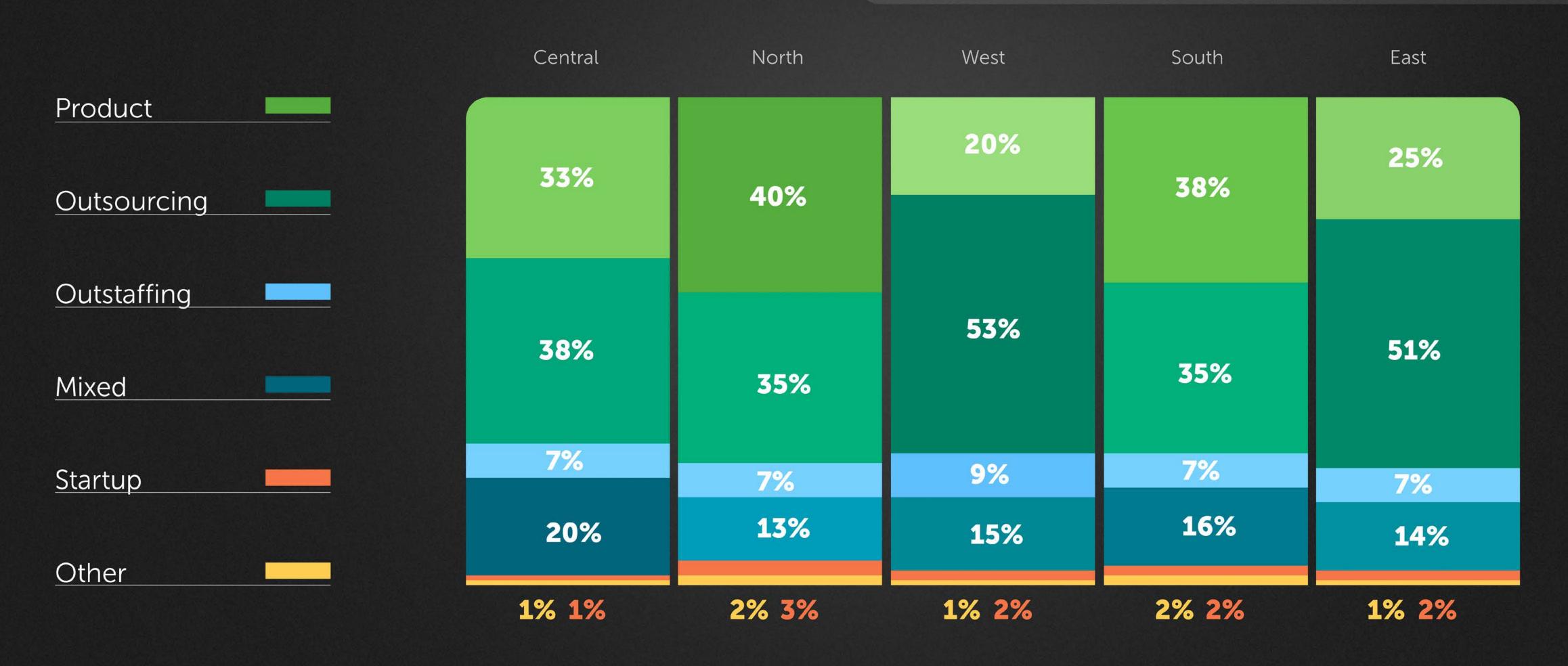
^{**} Assessment of the actual number of tech specialists based in the regions as of August 2023.

2. LOCAL TECH INDUSTRY DISTINCTIONS

2.1 Technical Talent Pool. Regional Specifics

Tech specialists' engagement in companies by business model type

Regional differences are evident: the highest proportion of employment in product companies is found in the Northern and Southern macroregions. Tech specialists in western regions are more frequently involved in service companies.



2.2 Northern Macroregion

Kyiv Hub



■ \$256.01 M*

Total taxes paid by tech companies in the region in 2022.**



2.8 jobs

are created and sustained by a tech company when hiring one tech industry specialist in Kyiv region.

Kyiv Hub has managed to maintain its position as the tech industry leader, both in terms of the number of direct employment positions and the number of preserved and created jobs in other industries.

Kyiv and the Kyiv region remain key leaders in the Ukrainian market.

The growth in tax revenues from tech companies in the Kyiv region in 2022 was 12% higher than in 2021.



40.1%

The share of the hub in the structure of the nominal turnover of the industry in 2022.***



230-233 K

The total number of jobs created and saved by the local tech industry in 2022.****

^{* 9.359} billion UAH, according to State Tax Service of Ukraine data, at the NBU exchange rate of UAH 36.56, as of the time of calculation on October 2, 2023.

^{**} The total amount of taxes includes the following types of taxes: Individual Entrepreneurs Single Tax, Legal Entities Single Tax, Personal Income Tax, the Value-Added Tax (VAT) overall, Military Levy, Tax on Income of Legal Entities and other taxes.

^{***} The indicator takes into account the tax residency of tech market participants within the location. Source: analytics from the research agency Fama, calculation base - estimation of the number of registered participants in regional tech markets in 2022 according to the State Tax Service of Ukraine, and the State Statistics Service of Ukraine data. **** The indicator is a local summary of the created and sustained jobs of direct and indirect employment, considering the induced effect in the reporting year.

2.2 Northern Macroregion

Kyiv Hub



Taxes paid by tech companies in the region for the first half of 2023.*



85 606 16.1%

Number of Individual Entrepreneurs (IE) in the tech industry.**



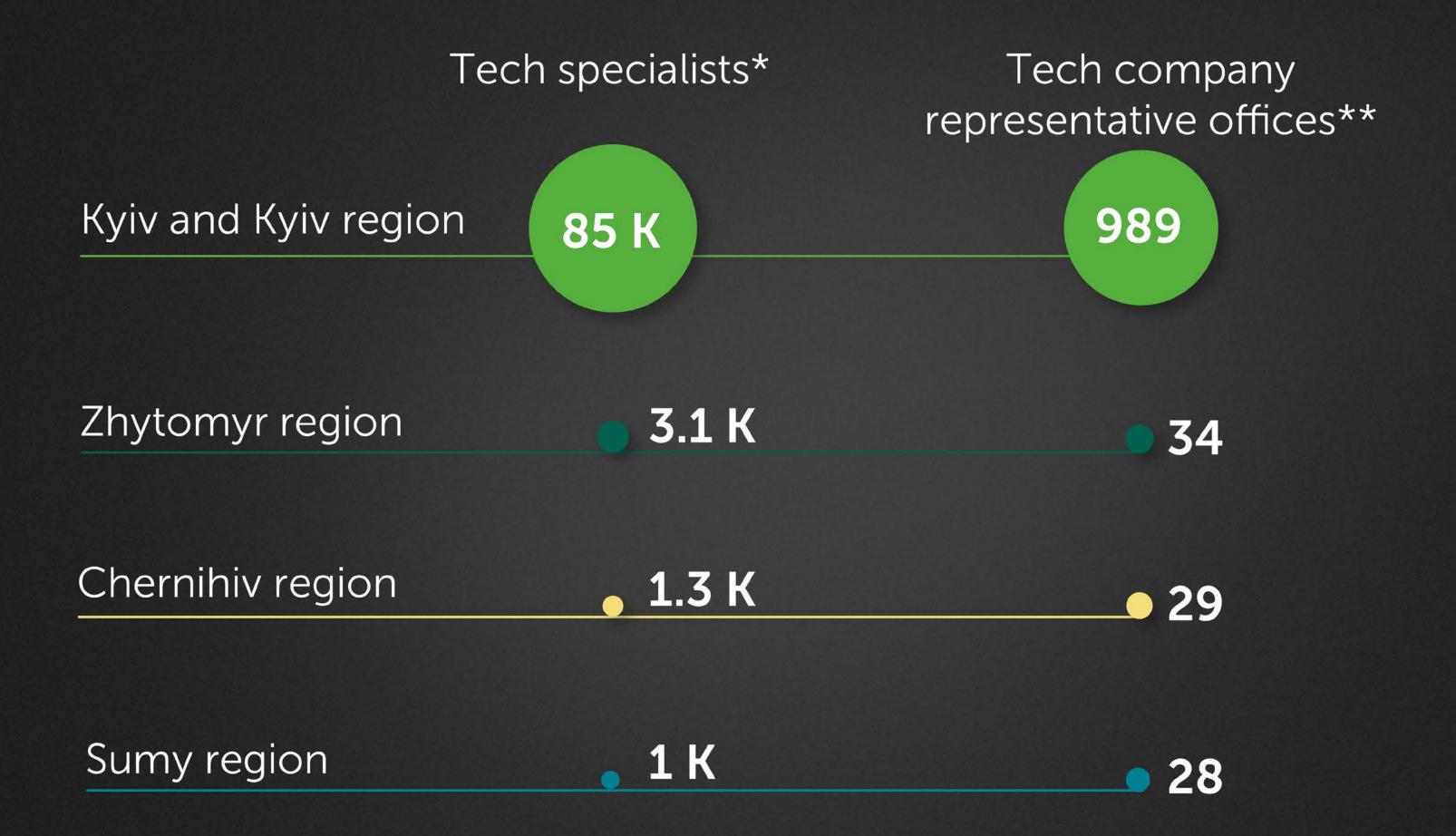
26.2% (as of July 1, 2023)

Share of the Individual Entrepreneurs Single Tax from the tech industry in the city's overall Individual Entrepreneurs Single Tax payment.

^{* 5.654} billion UAH, according to State Tax Service of Ukraine data, at the NBU exchange rate of UAH 36.56, as of the time of calculation on October 2, 2023.

^{**} The Classification of Types of Economic Activity (KVED) codes taken into account in the calculation are: 58.21, 58.29, 62.01, 62.02, 62.03, 62.09, 63.11, 63.12. The indicator, calculated based on the number of Individual Entrepreneurs (as of July 1, 2023), reflects the number of specialists working in the selected KVED codes and may also include freelancers and specialists providing tech services in related industries.

2.2 Northern Macroregion



^{*} Estimation of the actual number of specialists in the region as of August 2023.

^{**} The number of verified active tech companies that meet at least two of the following criteria: presence of a public name, existence of a website, presence of at least three employees, (preferably) physical representation in the form of an office or coworking space, active public communication on the website and/or social networks, published job vacancies in the last six months, responsiveness to inquiries, and answering calls and/or emails.

2.3 Western Macroregion

Lviv Hub

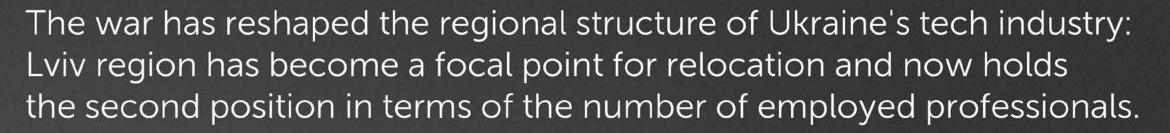


\$59.45 M*

Total taxes paid by tech companies in the region in 2022.**



are created and sustained by a tech company when hiring one tech industry specialist in Lviv region.



The growth in tax revenues from tech companies in the Lviv region in 2022 was 27.4% higher than in 2021.



14%

The share of the hub in the structure of the nominal turnover of the industry in 2022.***



2 122-124 K

The total number of jobs created and saved by the local tech industry in 2022.****

^{* 2.173} billion UAH, according to State Tax Service of Ukraine data, at the NBU exchange rate of UAH 36.56, as of the time of calculation on October 2, 2023.

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^{***} The indicator takes into account the tax residency of tech market participants within the location. Source: analytics from the research agency Fama, calculation base - estimation of the number of registered participants in regional tech markets in 2022 according to the State Tax Service of Ukraine, and the State Statistics Service of Ukraine data.

2.3 Western Macroregion

Lviv Hub



§ \$34.55 M

Taxes paid by tech companies in the region for the first half of 2023.*



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17.8%

Number of Individual Entrepreneurs (IE) in the tech industry.**



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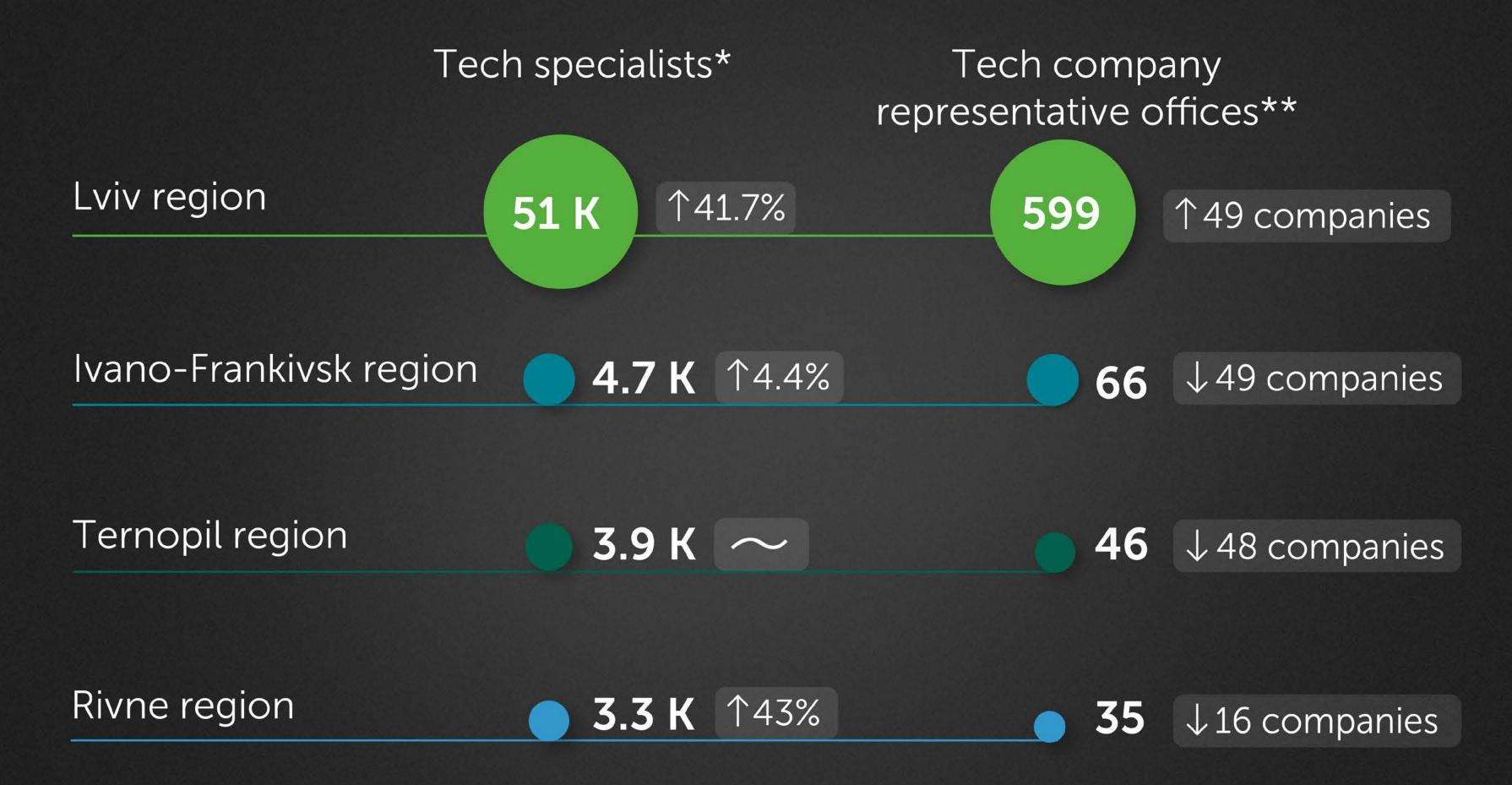
(as of July 1, 2023)

Share of the Individual Entrepreneurs Single Tax from the tech industry in the city's overall Individual Entrepreneurs Single Tax payment.

^{* 1.263} billion UAH, according to State Tax Service of Ukraine data, at the NBU exchange rate of UAH 36.56, as of the time of calculation on October 2, 2023.

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2.3 Western Macroregion

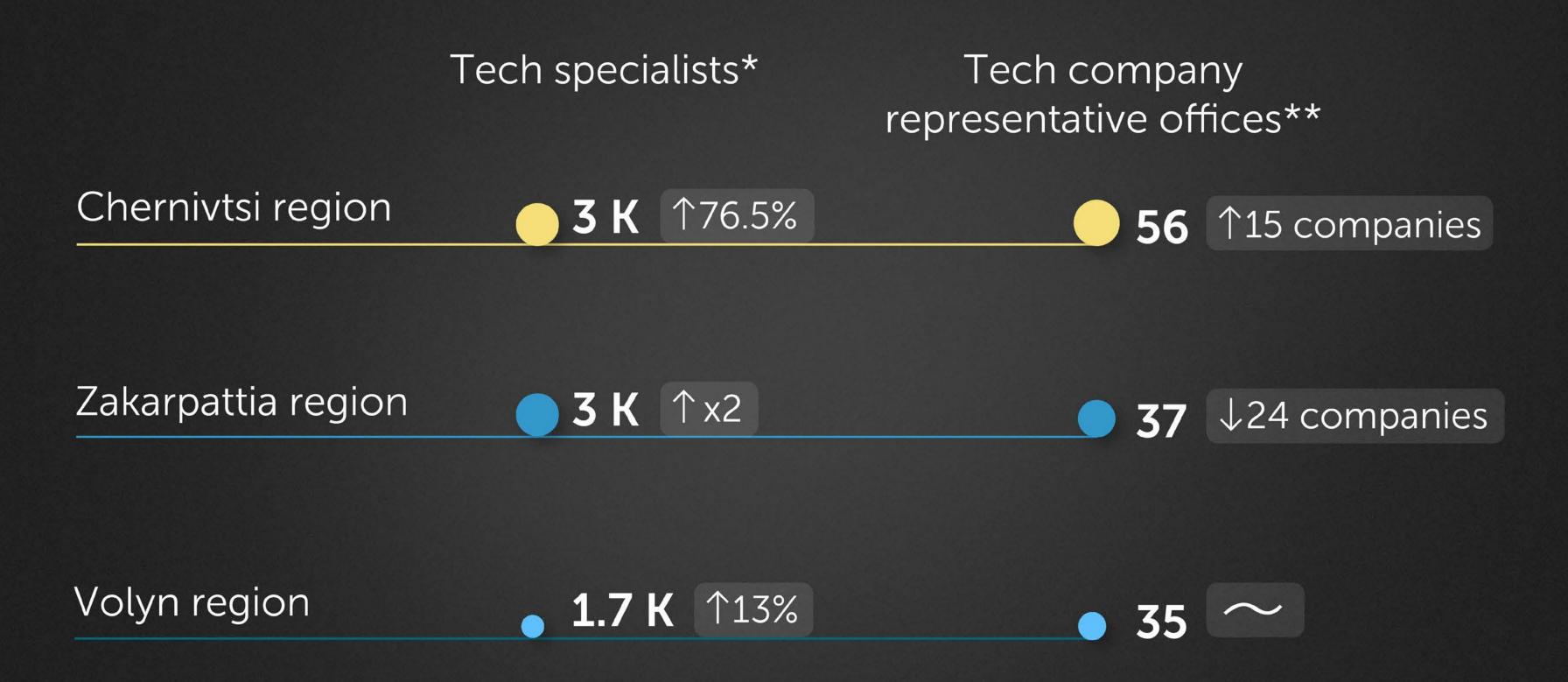


^{*} Estimation of the actual number of specialists in the region as of August 2023.

^{**} The number of verified active tech companies that meet at least two of the following criteria: presence of a public name, existence of a website, presence of at least three employees, (preferably) physical representation in the form of an office or coworking space, active public communication on the website and/or social networks, published job vacancies in the last six months, responsiveness to inquiries, and answering calls and/or emails.

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2.3 Western Macroregion



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2.4 Eastern Macroregion

Kharkiv Hub



\$68.33 M*

Total taxes paid by tech companies in the region in 2022.**

Businesses and specialist relocation posed one of the greatest challenges for the Kharkiv region in 2022.

However, based on the tax payments to various levels of local budgets, tech specialists from the Kharkiv region did not change their registration. This is evident from the receipts of the Single Tax, which in 2023 remain at the same level as in 2022.

The increase in tax revenues from tech companies in the Kharkiv region in 2022 amounted to 17.8%, surpassing the figures from 2021.



2.2 jobs

are created and sustained by a tech company when hiring one tech industry specialist in Kharkiv region.



15.6%

The share of the hub in the structure of the nominal turnover of the industry in 2022.***

^{* 2.498} billion UAH, according to State Tax Service of Ukraine data, at the NBU exchange rate of UAH 36.56, as of the time of calculation on October 2, 2023.

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2.4 Eastern Macroregion

Kharkiv Hub



\$28.84 M

Taxes paid by tech companies in the region for the first half of 2023.*



35 679

Number of Individual Entrepreneurs (IE) in the tech industry.**



50.7% (as of July 1, 2023)

Share of the Individual Entrepreneurs Single Tax from the tech industry in the city's overall Individual Entrepreneurs Single Tax payment.

^{* 1.054} billion UAH, according to State Tax Service of Ukraine data, at the NBU exchange rate of UAH 36.56, as of the time of calculation on October 2, 2023.

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2.4 Eastern Macroregion

Dnipro Hub



\$38.4 M*

Total taxes paid by tech companies in the region in 2022.**



are created and sustained by a tech company when hiring one tech industry specialist in Dnipro region.

Due to extensive internal migration, business relocations, and the disruption of universities in the eastern regions, Dnipro saw a growth of over 30% in tech industry employment in 2022.



7.5%

The share of the hub in the structure of the nominal turnover of the industry in 2022.***



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The total number of jobs created and saved by the local tech industry in 2022.****

^{* 1.404} billion UAH, according to State Tax Service of Ukraine data, at the NBU exchange rate of UAH 36.56, as of the time of calculation on October 2, 2023.

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2.4 Eastern Macroregion

Dnipro Hub



\$24.25 M

Taxes paid by tech companies in the region for the first half of 2023.*



23 243 115.4%

Number of Individual Entrepreneurs (IE) in the tech industry.**



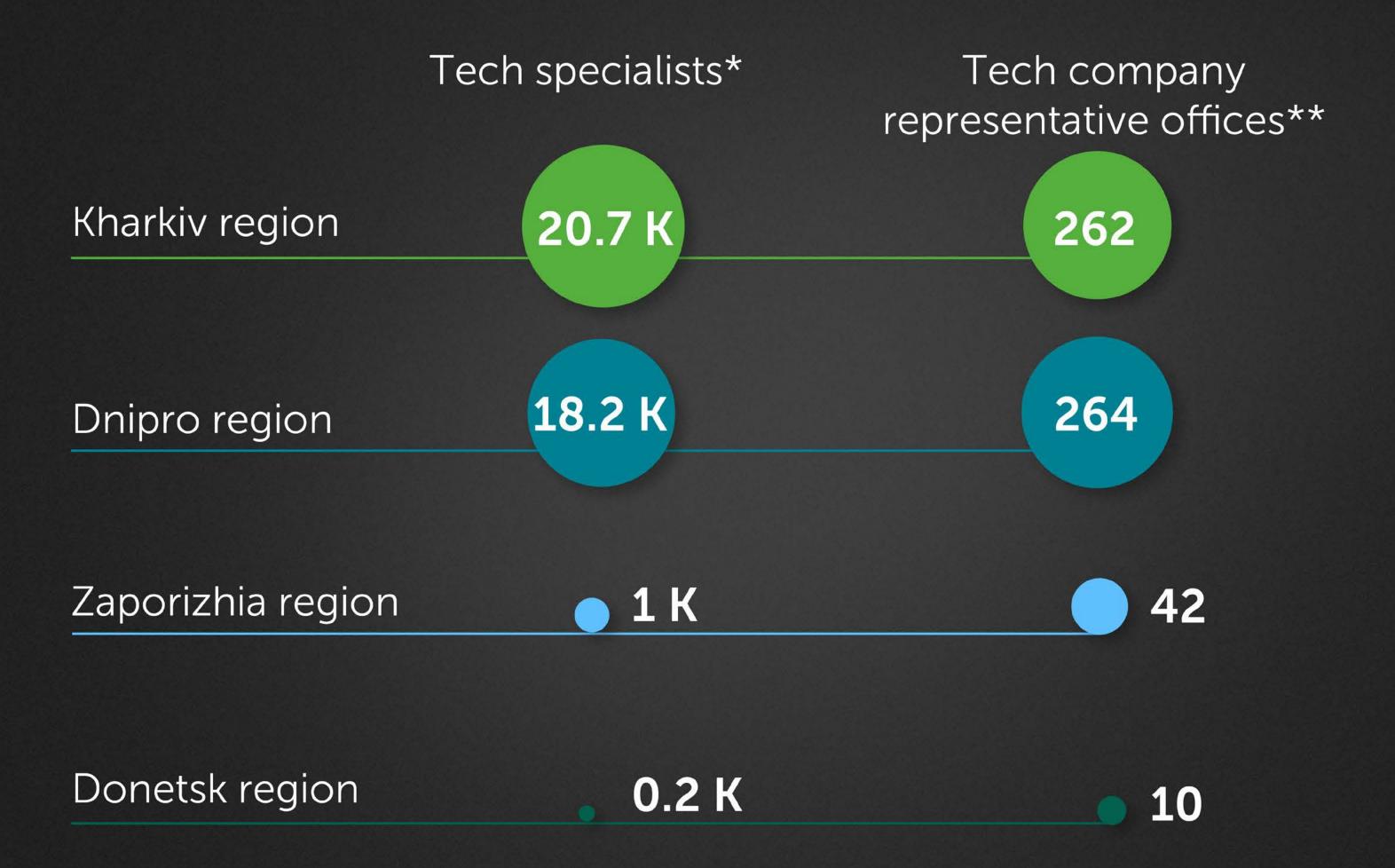
39.1% (as of July 1, 2023)

Share of the Individual Entrepreneurs Single Tax from the tech industry in the city's overall Individual Entrepreneurs Single Tax payment.

^{* 1.054} billion UAH, according to State Tax Service of Ukraine data, at the NBU exchange rate of UAH 36.56, as of the time of calculation on October 2, 2023.

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2.4 Eastern Macroregion



^{*} Estimation of the actual number of specialists in the region as of August 2023.

^{**} The number of verified active tech companies that meet at least two of the following criteria: presence of a public name, existence of a website, presence of at least three employees, (preferably) physical representation in the form of an office or coworking space, active public communication on the website and/or social networks, published job vacancies in the last six months, responsiveness to inquiries, and answering calls and/or emails.

2.5 Southern Macroregion

Odesa Hub



■ \$27.15 M*

Total taxes paid by tech companies in the region in 2022.**



are created and sustained by a tech company when hiring one tech industry specialist in Odesa region.

Cumulative tax revenues indicate a growing trend in the tech industry in the Odesa region in 2022. The increase in tax revenues from tech companies in the Odesa region in 2022 amounted to 18.7% more than in 2021.



The share of the hub in the structure of the nominal turnover of the industry in 2022.***



33-34 K

The total number of jobs created and saved by the local tech industry in 2022.****

^{* 0.992} billion UAH, according to State Tax Service of Ukraine data, at the NBU exchange rate of UAH 36.56, as of the time of calculation on October 2, 2023.

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2.5 Southern Macroregion

Odesa Hub



Taxes paid by tech companies in the region for the first half of 2023.*



14 210 17.8%

Number of Individual Entrepreneurs (IE) in the tech industry.**



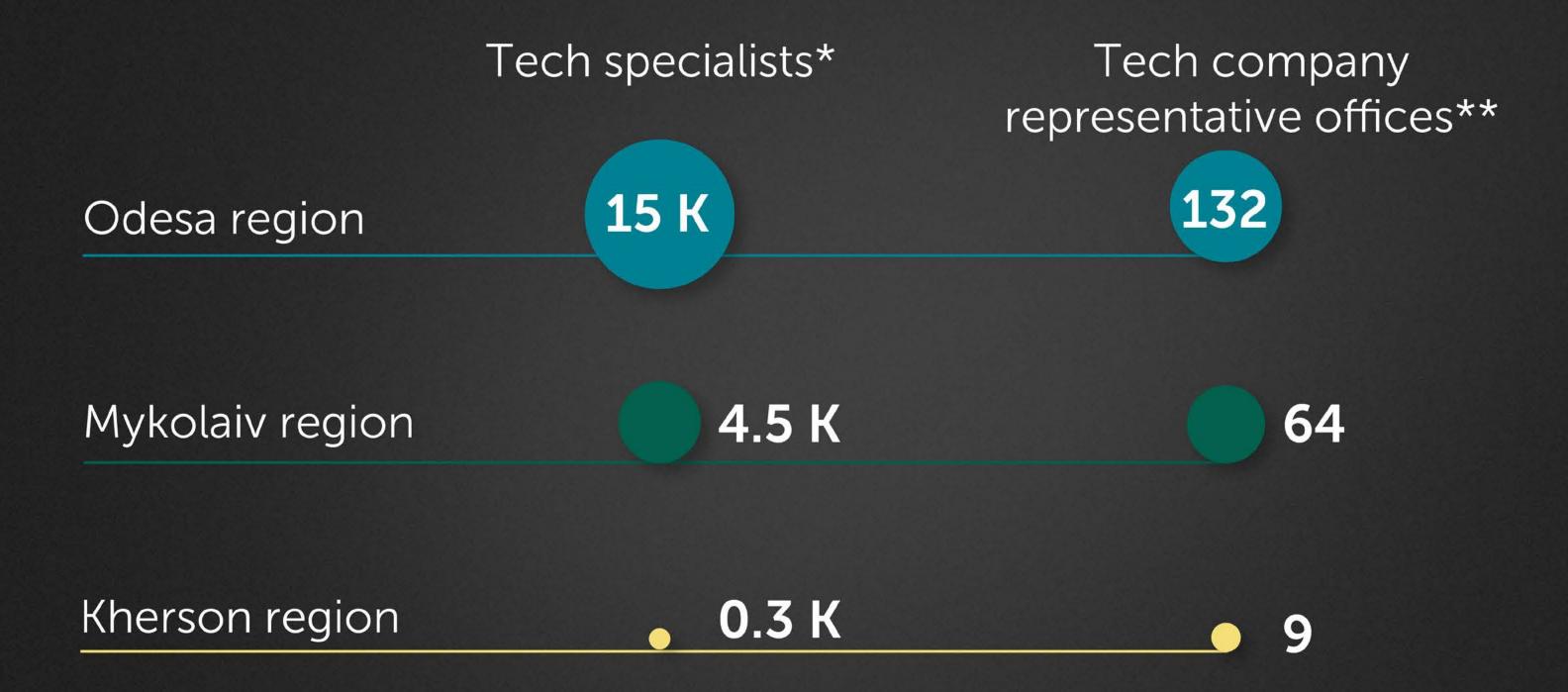
26.5% (as of July 1, 2023)

Share of the Individual Entrepreneurs Single Tax from the tech industry in the city's overall Individual Entrepreneurs Single Tax payment.

^{* 0.452} billion UAH, according to State Tax Service of Ukraine data, at the NBU exchange rate of UAH 36.56, as of the time of calculation on October 2, 2023.

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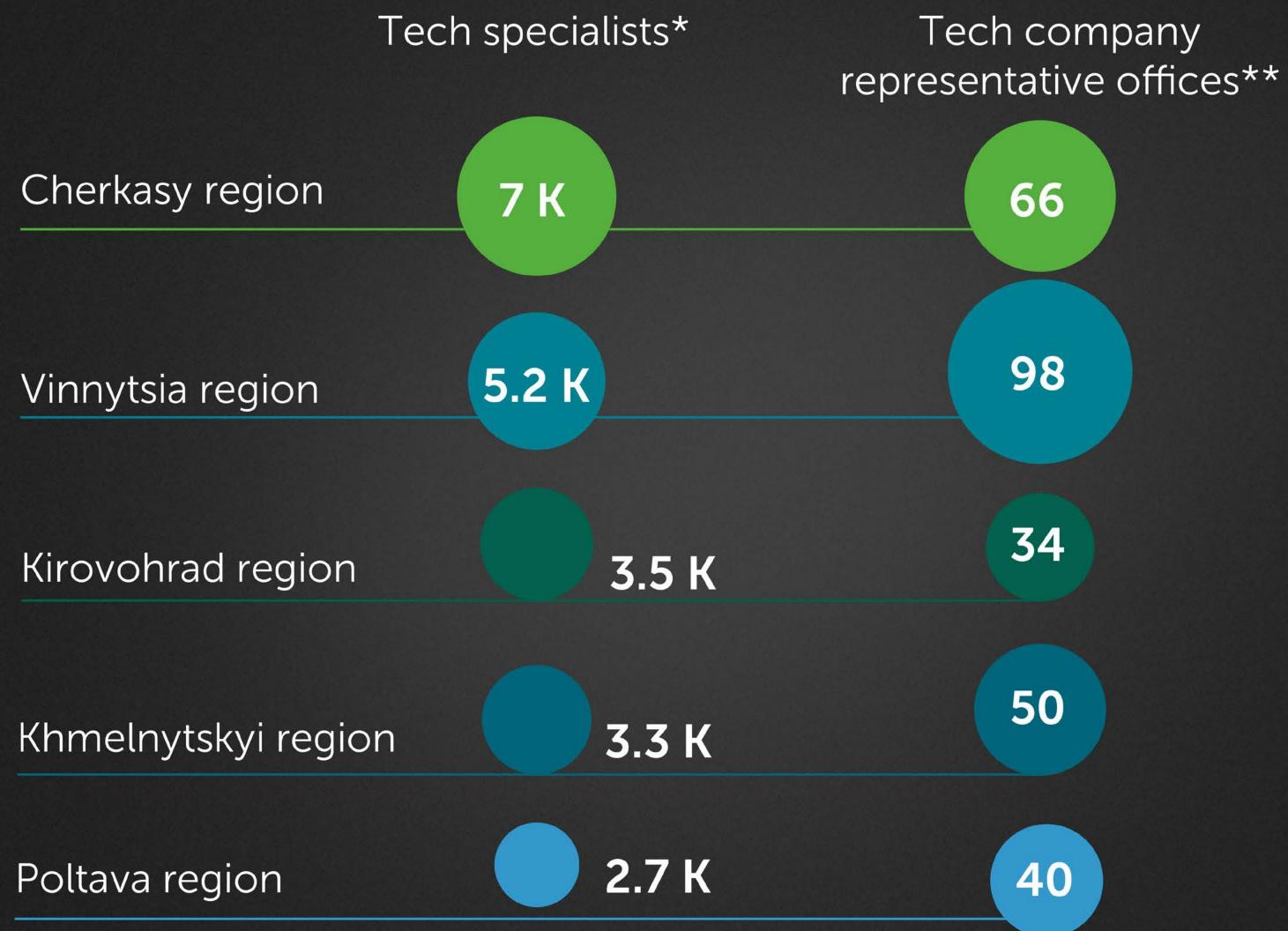
2.5 Southern Macroregion



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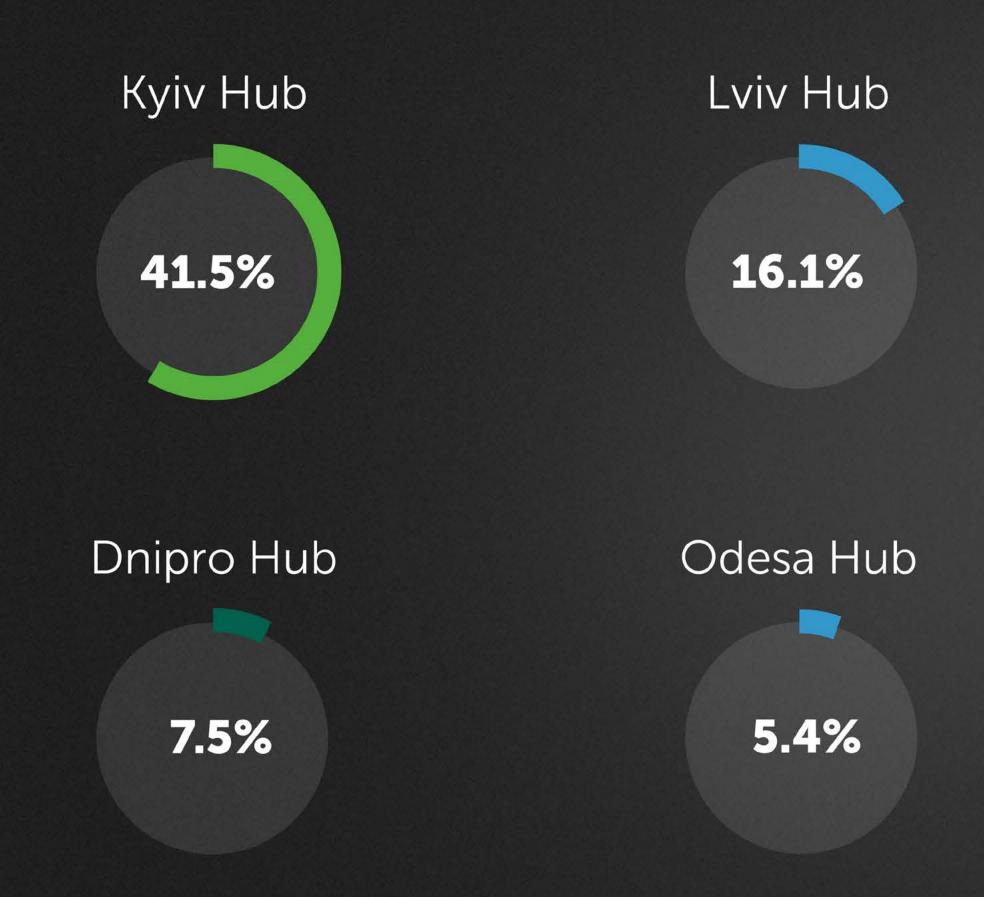
2.6 Central Macroregion



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2.7 Shares of the Largest Tech Hubs in the Structure of the Temporary Direct Economic Impact of the Tech Industry, Adjusted for Migration in 2022





Indicator of the temporary direct economic impact of the tech industry, adjusted for migration.

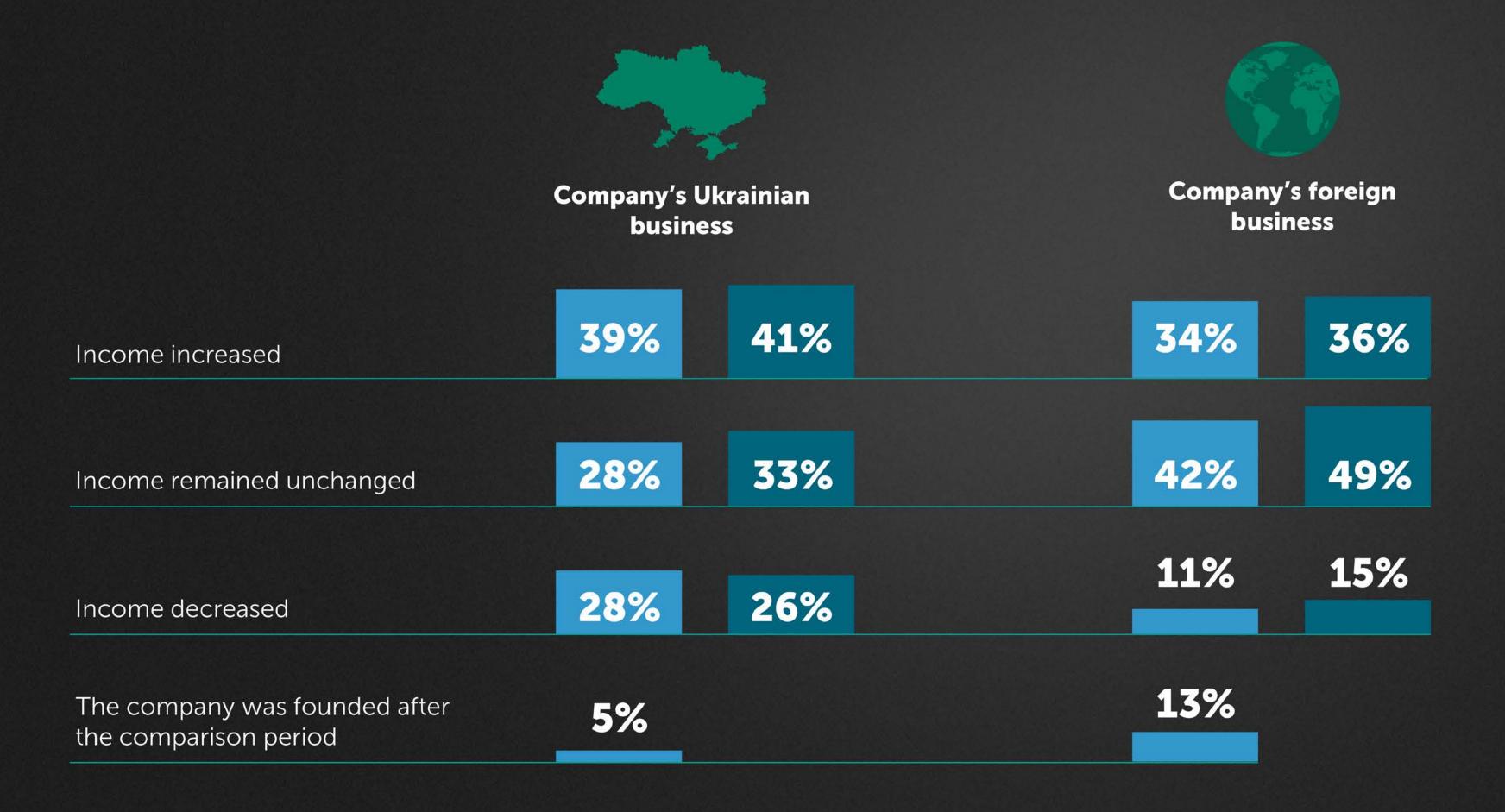
The approach to calculating the proportions of contributions from regional markets to the formation of the national direct economic impact of the industry is based on the actual presence of tech specialists in tech hubs. Unlike the calculation of the share of nominal turnover based on tax residency, this indicator takes into account the direct effect on local economies, including through local consumption. Thus, the consequences of relocations and the specifics of the tech industry functioning in wartime conditions are considered.*

^{*} Source: the research agency Fama analytics, calculation base – estimation of the number of actual participants in regional tech markets in 2022 according to the IT Research Resilience data, the State Tax Service of Ukraine, the State Statistics Service of Ukraine, and the World Bank data.



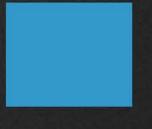
3.1 Business Activity, Revenues, and Expenditures of Companies

Changes in companies' revenues as of the second quarter of 2023 depending on the diversification of the geographical scope of operational activities compared to the results for the period

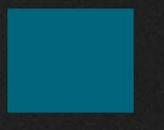




In the majority of companies, the income in 2023 either remained unchanged or increased compared to the previous year.



compared to 2021



compared to 2022

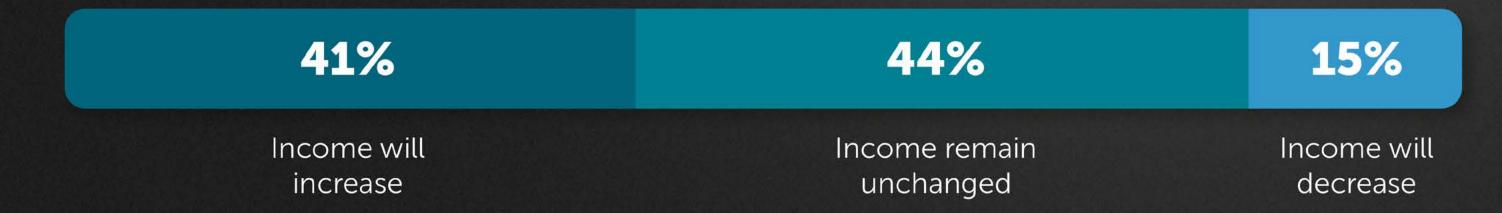
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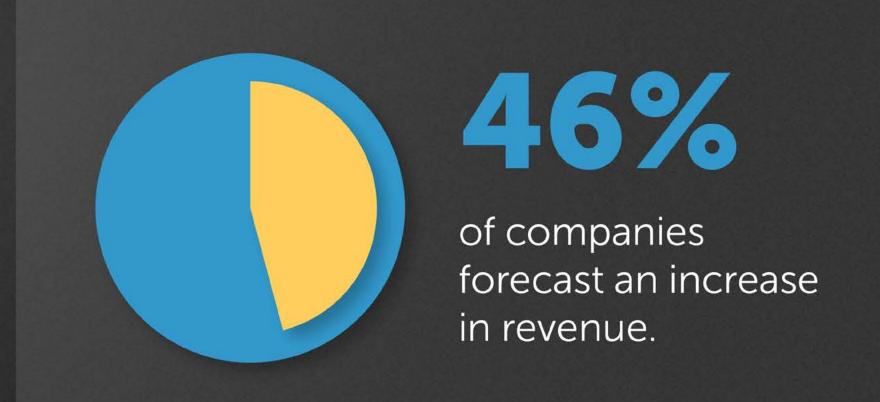
CEOs' projection for the company's revenue at the close of 2023

Company's Ukrainian business

46%	30%	24%
Income will increase	Income remain unchanged	Income will decrease

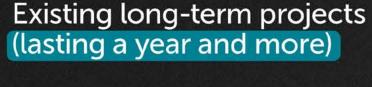
Company's foreign business

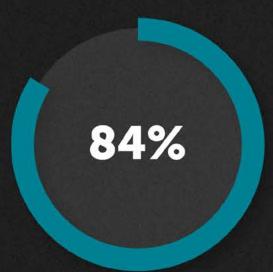




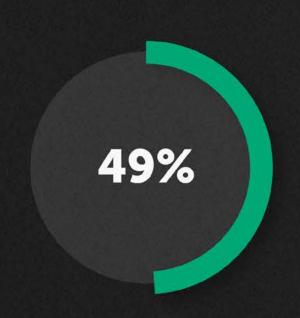
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Tech companies are engaged in various projects*

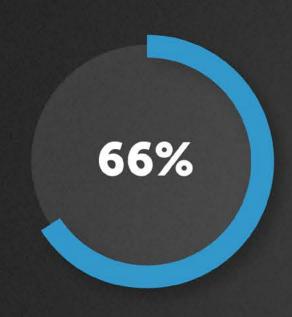




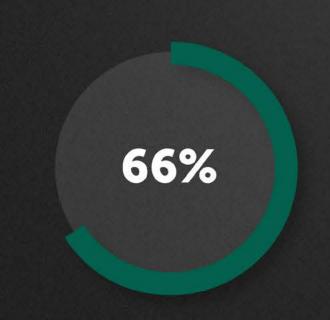
Existing potential long-term projects or leads (lasting a year and more)



Existing short-term projects (lasting less than a year)



Existing potential short-term projects or leads (lasting less than a year)



Active projects are almost completed, and there are no new ones.



The company has no active projects at all (no clients)



58%

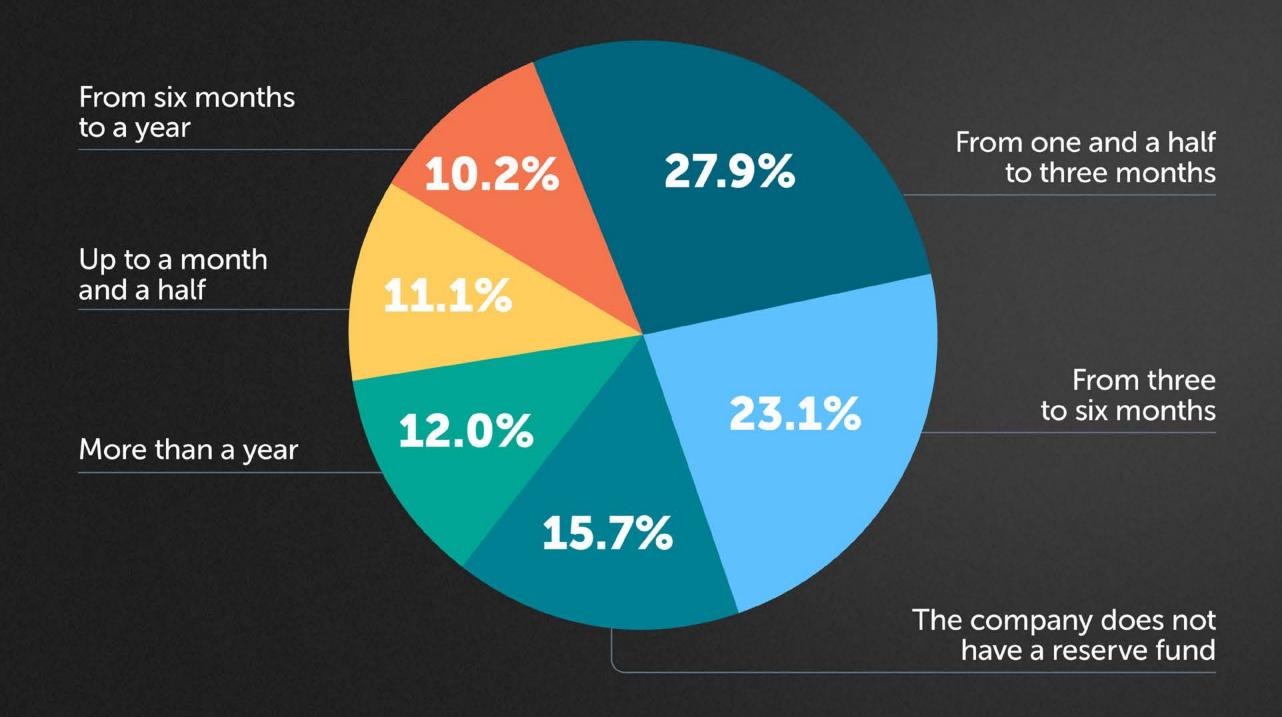
of companies encountered cases of contract termination after the start of a full-scale invasion.

Among them, 17% of CEOs estimate that the share of lost or unreceived revenue due to terminated contracts is in the range of 21%-30%, while 24% have lost more than 41% of revenue.

^{*} Respondents could choose multiple answer options.

3.1 Business Activity, Revenues, and Expenditures of Companies

The period for which the reserve fund of the company can sustain its operations*

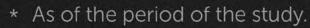


In 2023, one out of every four companies did not have a sufficient "financial cushion" to cover more than one and a half months of current expenses.



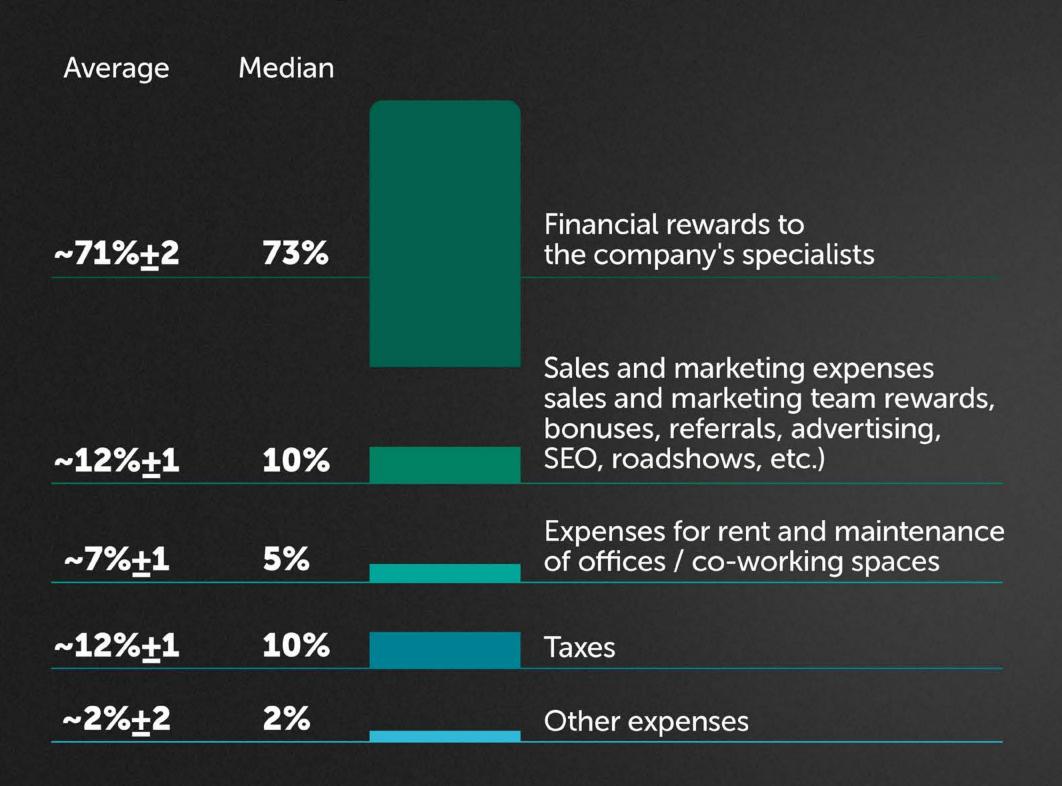




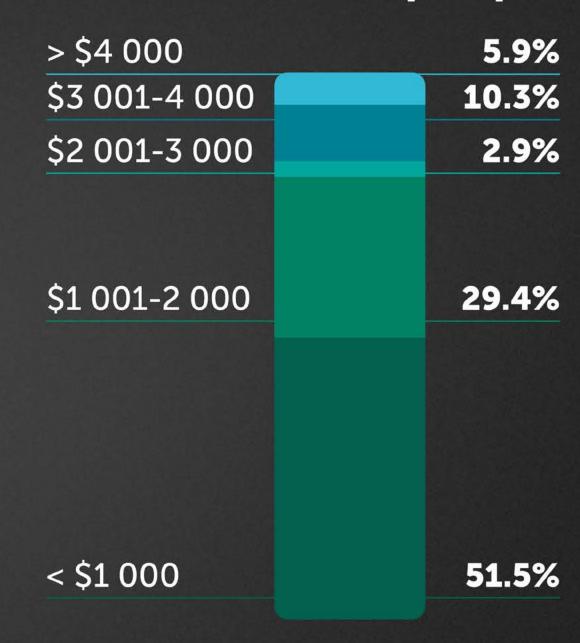


3.1 Business Activity, Revenues, and Expenditures of Companies

The structure of companies' monthly expenses



Administrative expenses of companies for one full time billable contractor per quarter



The largest expenditure category of tech companies is financial rewards to specialists, accounting for more than 70% of all expenses.

\$1 550<u>+</u>197

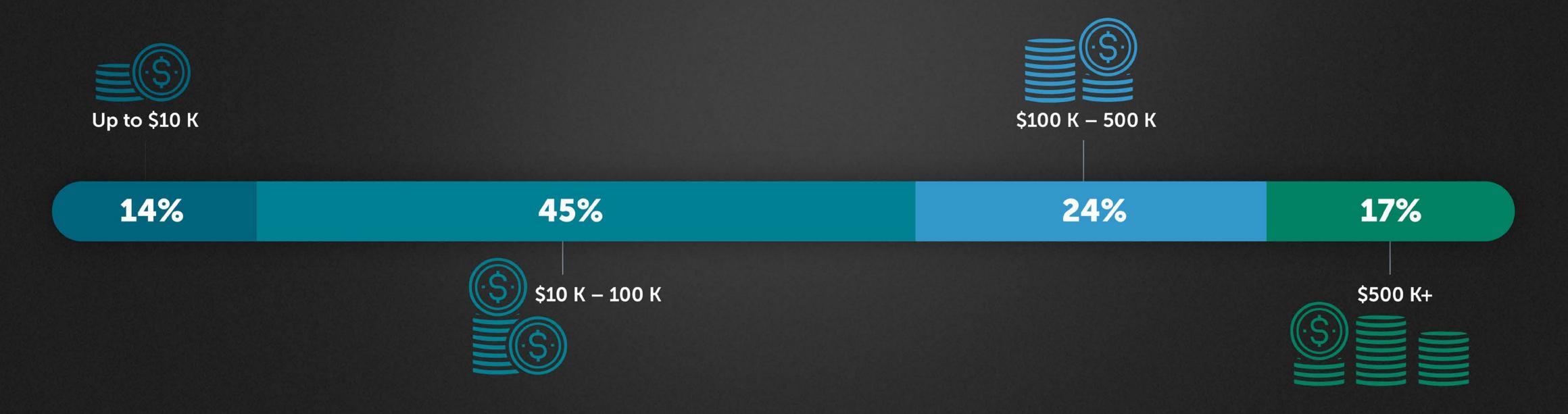
the average quarterly administrative expenses per specialist for companies in 2023. The median of such expenses is \$1 000.

^{*} As of the period of the study.

3.1 Business Activity, Revenues, and Expenditures of Companies

of companies financially support the implementation of projects that bring us closer to victory (wartime projects).*

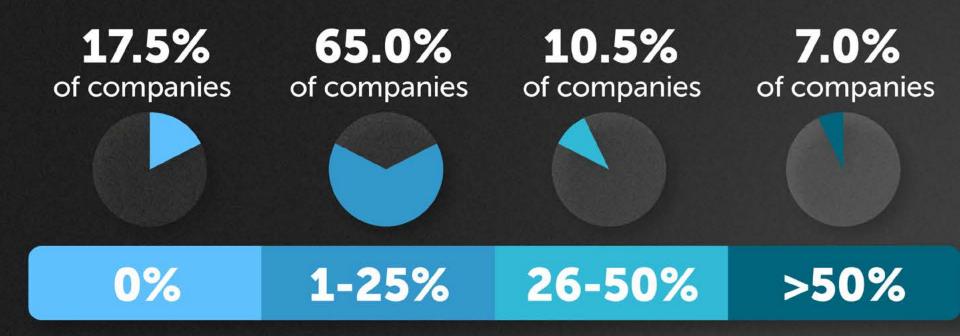
Funds allocated by tech companies to wartime projects



^{*} By wartime projects, we mean financial support for the Armed Forces of Ukraine or Territorial Defense, humanitarian missions, equipment procurement, etc.

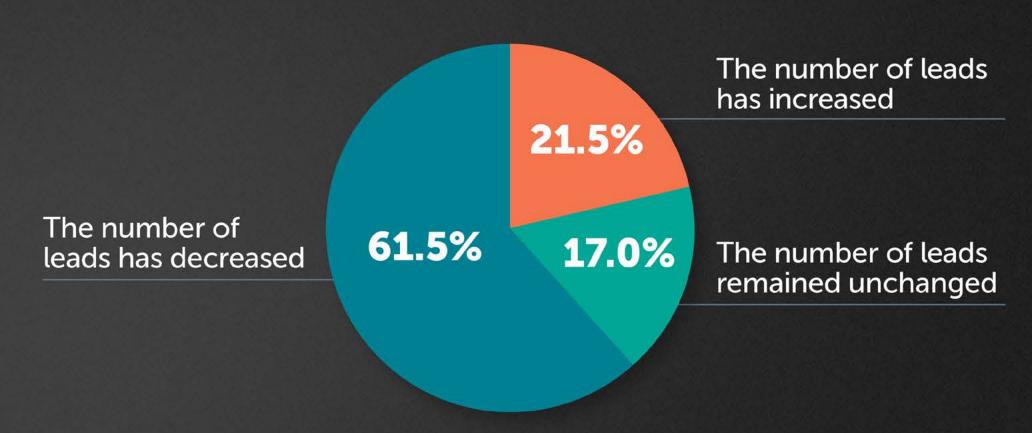
3.2 Sales

Share of revenue generated by new projects attracted by companies in 2023



New projects in the revenue structure

Changes in the number of new potential orders over the past year



More than half of the tech companies indicate that newly attracted projects accounted for up to 1/4 of the revenue of the current year.

21.3%

the average value of the share of new projects in the revenue structure of tech companies in 2023.

15%

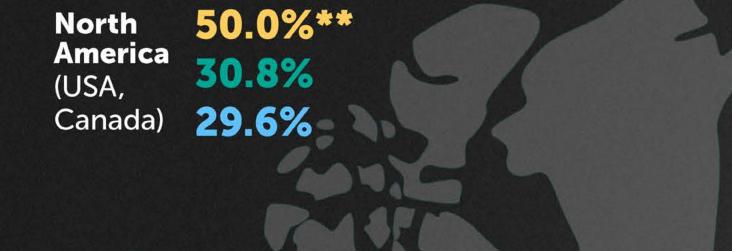
the median value of new projects share.

27%

of companies report an increase in the number of new potential projects.

3.2 Sales

Cooperation of tech companies with global markets*



Europe 54.6% (UK, Germany, Ukraine, Austria, Switzerland, Estonia, Belgium, Denmark, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, France, Sweden, Georgia, Spain, Italy, Netherlands, Finland, Czech Republic)

26% (Germany, Great Britain, Norway, Netherlands, Switzerland, Ukraine)

38%

South America 2.8% 1.9% 8.3% (Brazil)

Africa 0.9% (Republic of South Africa)

2.8% (Republic of South Africa, Morocco)

Asia, the 10.2% (Israel, South Korea, Saudi Arabia, Kazakhstan)
Middle East

22.2% (UAE, Saudi Arabia, Israel, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Azerbaijan)

Oceania 0.9% (Australia

1.0%

2.8% (Australia)

The markets where companies generated the highest number of leads

The markets where the number of leads decreased

The markets being studied in greater depth to improve proficiency in working with them.

9.3% Difficult to answer

39.4%

18.5%

12.0% There were no new leads

17.3% The lead flow did not decrease in any of the markets

17.6% No markets

^{*} Respondents could choose several answer options.

^{**} Share of companies that indicated these markets.

3.2 Sales

Dynamics of the volume of tech services export by country in 2023, million \$

United States of America	2 677.43	↓ 9.9%
Malta	566.78	↓ 2.4%
United Kingdom	534.88	↓ 22.8%
Cyprus	362.20	↑15.5%
Israel	293.21	↓ 15.5%
Switzerland	274.23	↓ 17.3%
Germany	264.11	↓ 7.6%
Poland	161.54	↑32.3%
Estonia	158.65	↑15.4%
Netherlands	131.41	↓ 9.9%
Canada	111.47	↓12.2%
United Arab Emirates	110.52	↑19.0%
Denmark	104.74	↓ 6.3%

Ireland	94.42	↓ 16.2%
Sweden	93.9	↓ 13.8%
France	84.62	↓ 5.8%
Lithuania	71.57	↑0.7%
Belgium	52.32	↓ 6.9%
Norway	47.31	↓ 5.6%
Hong Kong	43.15	↓ 28.6%
Singapore	37.77	↓ 31.7%
Korea	35.73	↑3.7%
Austria	34.92	↑15.7%
Czech Republic	33.51	↑3.6%
Bulgaria	31.05	↑2.3%
Slovakia	21.36	↑ 39.2%

Isle of Man	20.61	↓ 9.9%
Hungary	20.48	↓ 9.1%
Finland	19.19	↑2.2%
Italy	18.86	↓ 11.6%
Spain	18.38	↓ 9.5%
Australia	13.74	↓ 24.4%
The Bahamas	13.34	↓ 1.0%
Kazakhstan	13.16	↓ 6.1%
Romania	11.96	↑23.6%
Luxembourg	11.33	↓ 52.0%
Georgia	10.45	↑9.5%
Gibraltar	9.75	↓ 1.3%
Latvia	8.5	↓ 7.4%

^{*} According to NBU data.

3.2 Sales

The main reasons for customer rejections faced by companies in 2023



global economic crisis, recession, market slowdown in the USA



mobilization of project employees and the client's unwillingness to continue working with newly assigned specialists



reduction in client investment volumes, unsuccessful fundraising, lack of funding, insufficient funds for service payment, decrease in clients' budget, including on R&D



customer's transition to in-house teams and / or office work model



military risks of cooperation for the customer, location policy regarding Ukraine



moving to cheaper locations and price dumping (markets of Latin America, India)



lack of a European ID for company employees (employee location outside of Ukraine remains unverifiable by the company)



the need to downsize the customer's teams, mainly at the expense of Ukrainian teams



impossibility of conducting business trips (meetings with CEOs and founders)



termination of the customer's company operation

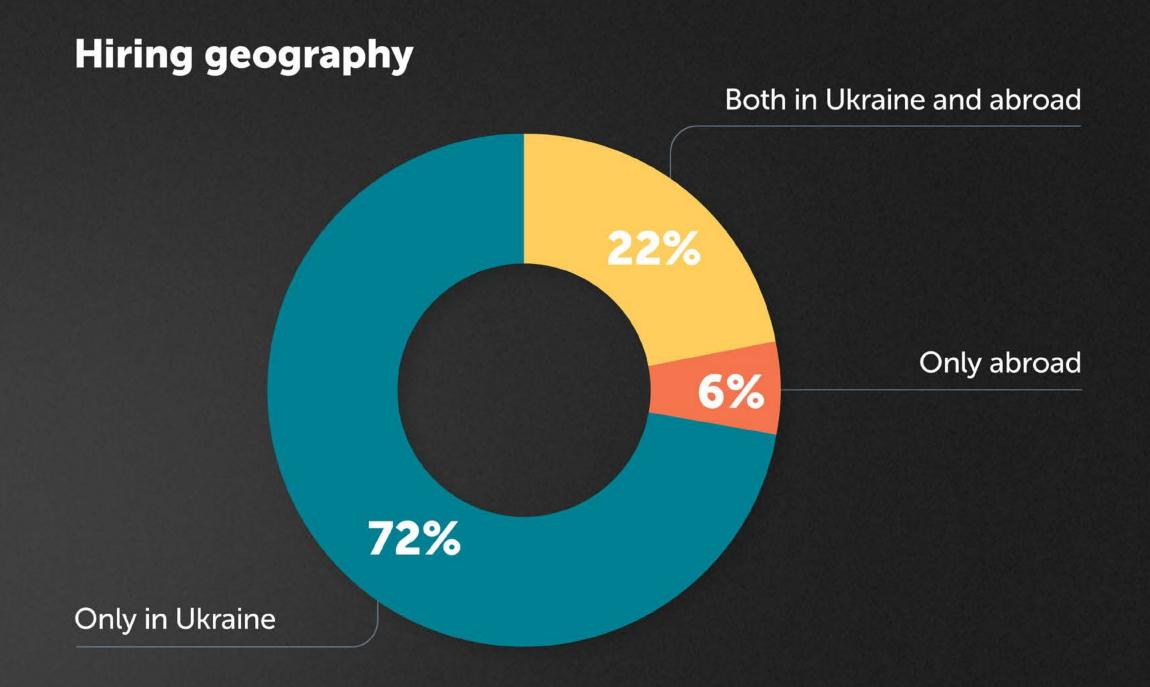
3.3 Employees and Contractors: Demand for Talent, Hiring, and Reserves

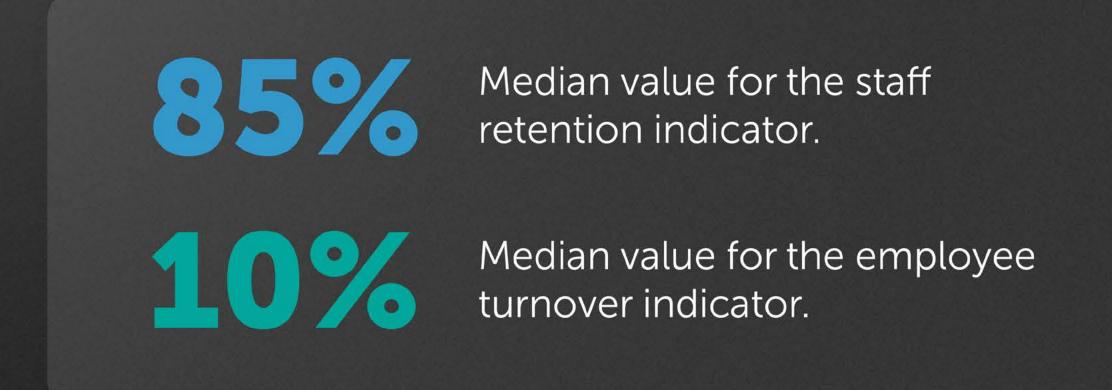
85%

of companies continue hiring for open positions.* **56%** of them are actively seeking candidates from external sources.

Change in the company's staff size over the course of a year

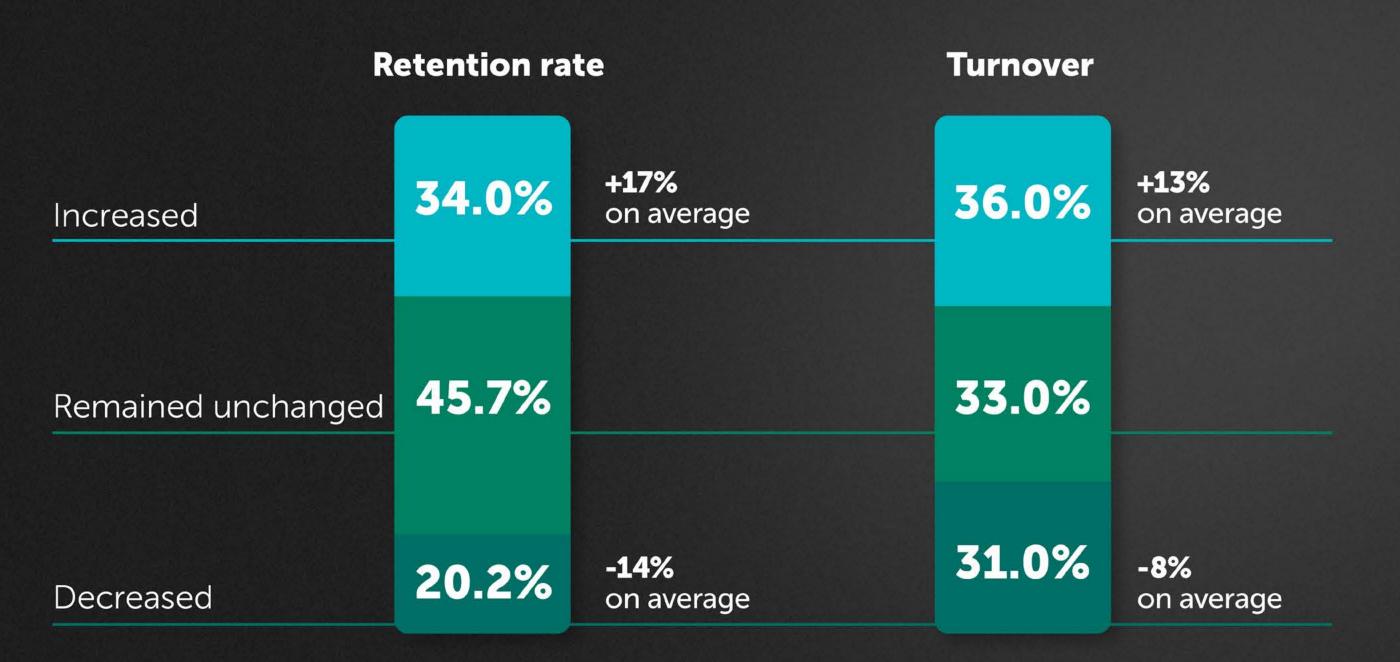
	in Ukraine	abroad
Increased	34.5%	39.6%
Remained unchanged	27.3%	50%
Decreased	38.2%	10.4%

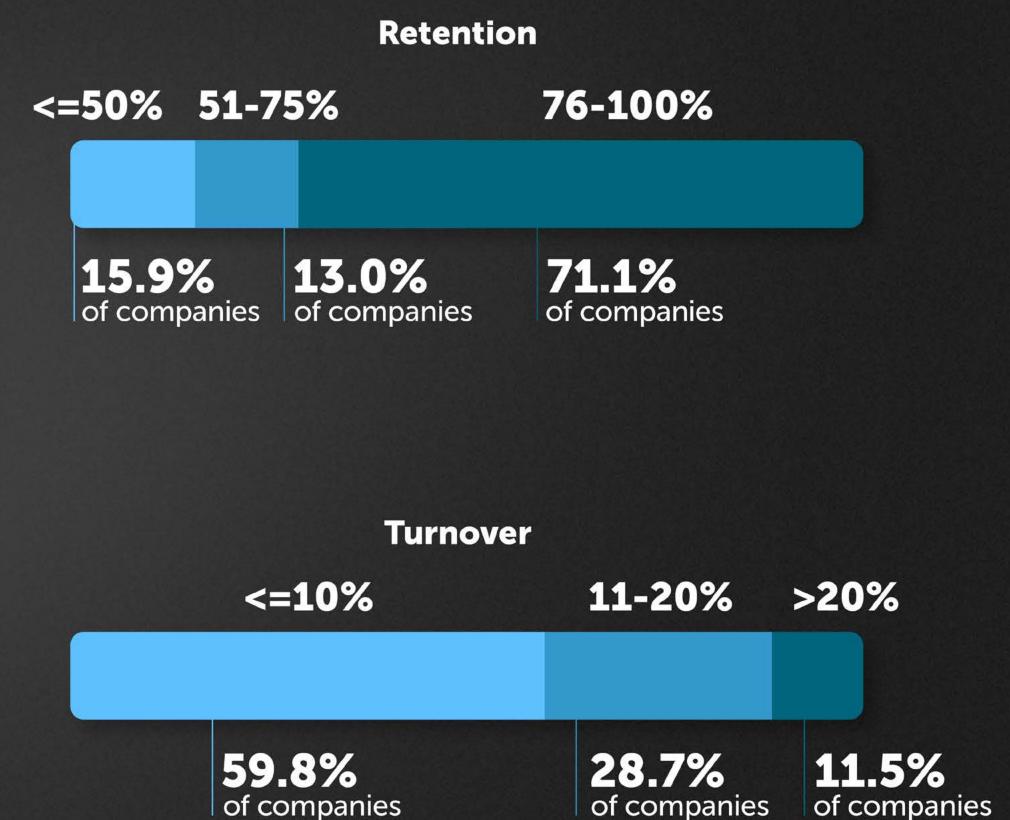




3.3 Employees and Contractors: Demand for Talent, Hiring, and Reserves

How have the companies' key HR metrics changed compared to the same period in 2022





3.3 Employees and Contractors: Demand for Talent, Hiring, and Reserves



56% of HR professionals indicated that companies are hiring specialists with junior-level qualifications.



indicated that companies are hiring specialists without commercial experience (trainee level).

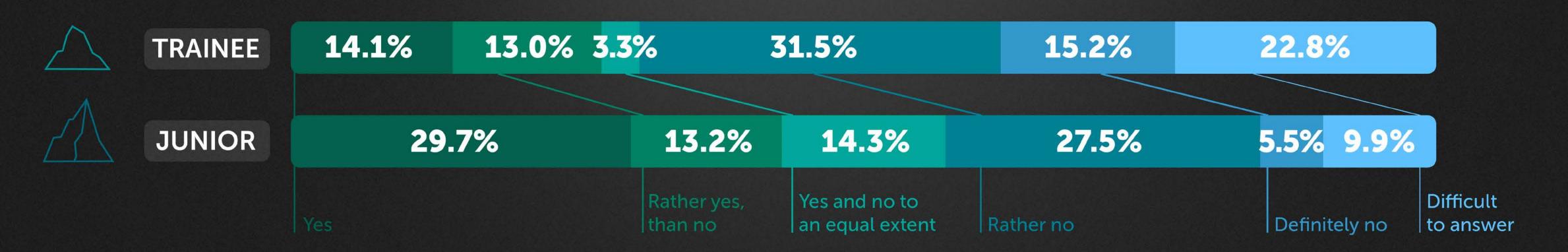


is the average share of junior specialists out of the total hires across companies.



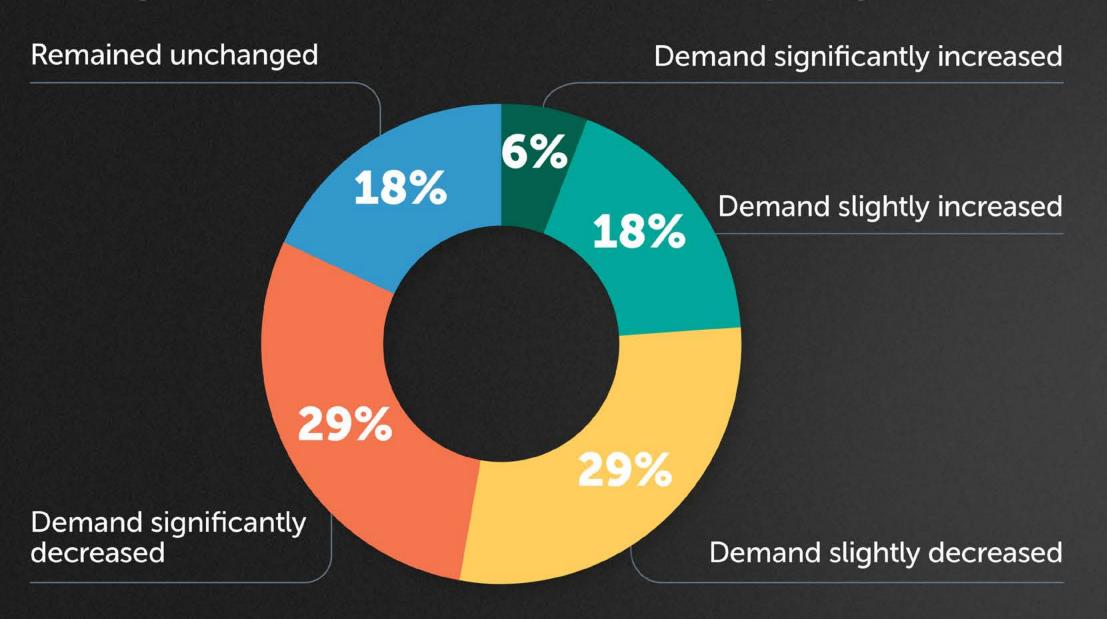
is the average share of trainee specialists out of the total hires across companies.

Companies' readiness to hire such specialists in the next six months



3.3 Employees and Contractors: Demand for Talent, Hiring, and Reserves

Change in demand for talent over the past year:

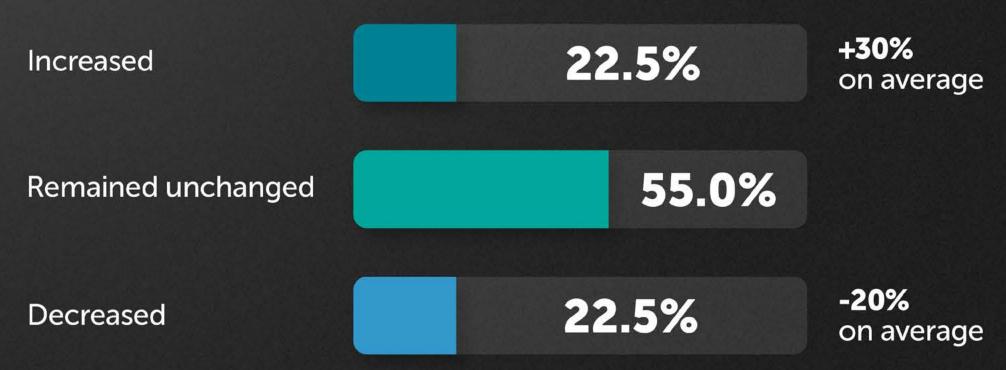


102% of companies continued the relocation of specialists abroad in 2023.

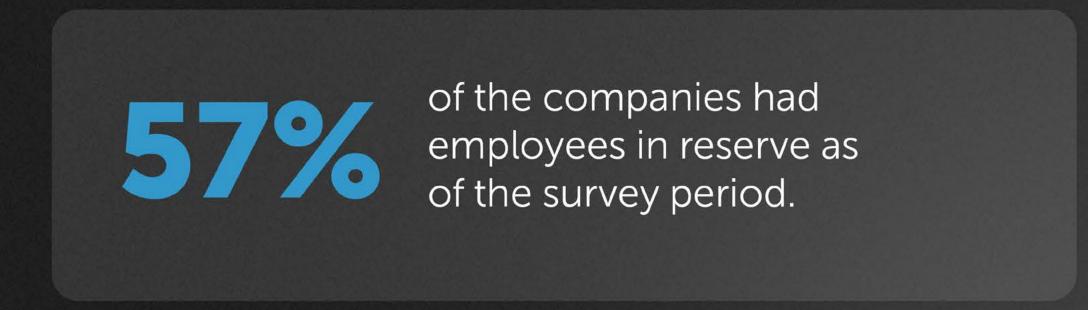
of companies indicate that clients have additional requirements for hiring specialists, namely:

- relocation abroad / verification of staying abroad
- the possibility of going abroad for business trips
- military reservations
- residence away from war zone guarantees that clients can rely on the uninterrupted work of specialists
- technical capabilities to work during blackouts (alternative communication and power channels).

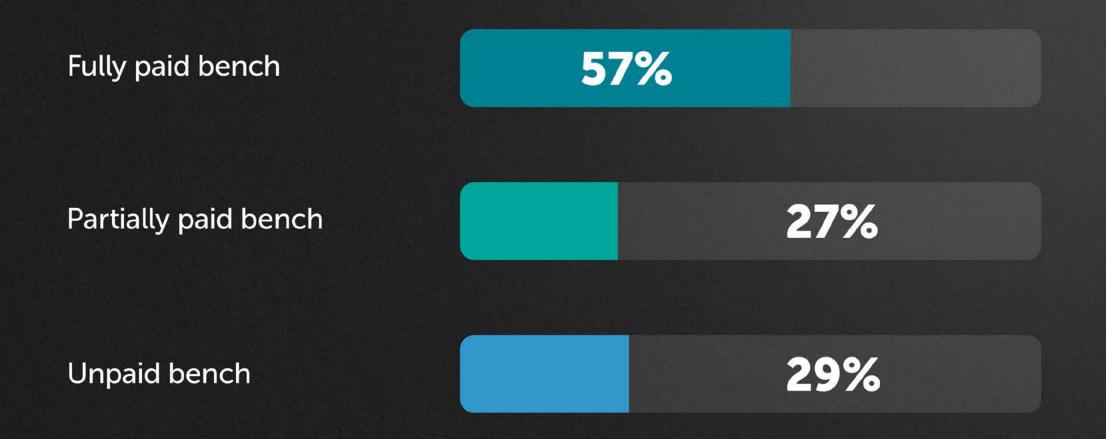
How has the cost-per-hire indicator of tech companies changed over the last year?



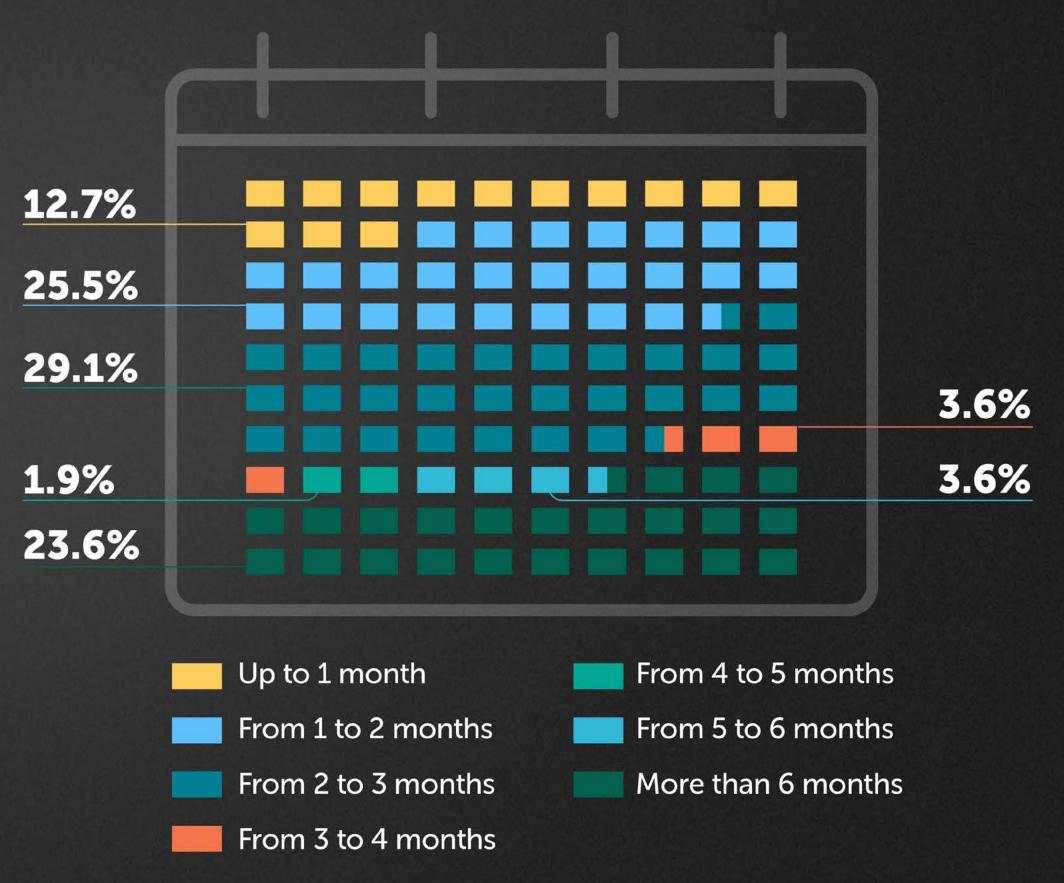
3.3 Employees and Contractors: Demand for Talent, Hiring, and Reserves



Compensation terms for professionals transferred to the bench*:

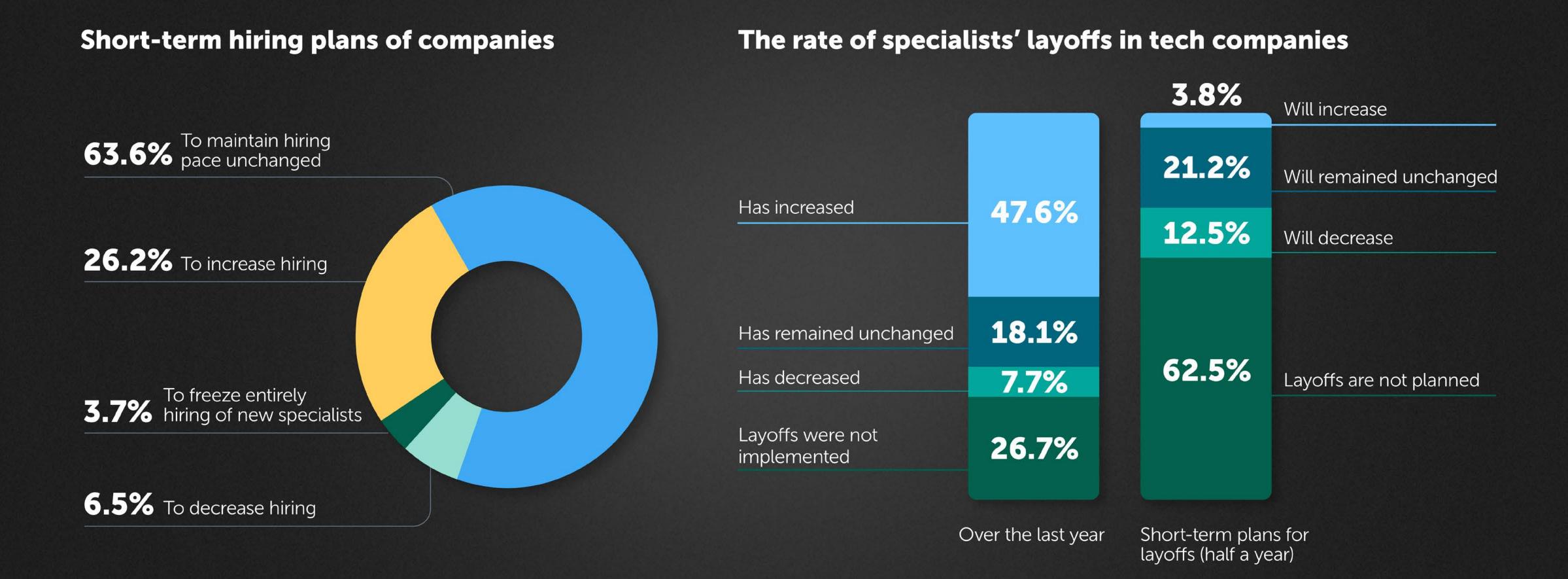


The maximum period specialists can remain in reserve in accordance with company regulations



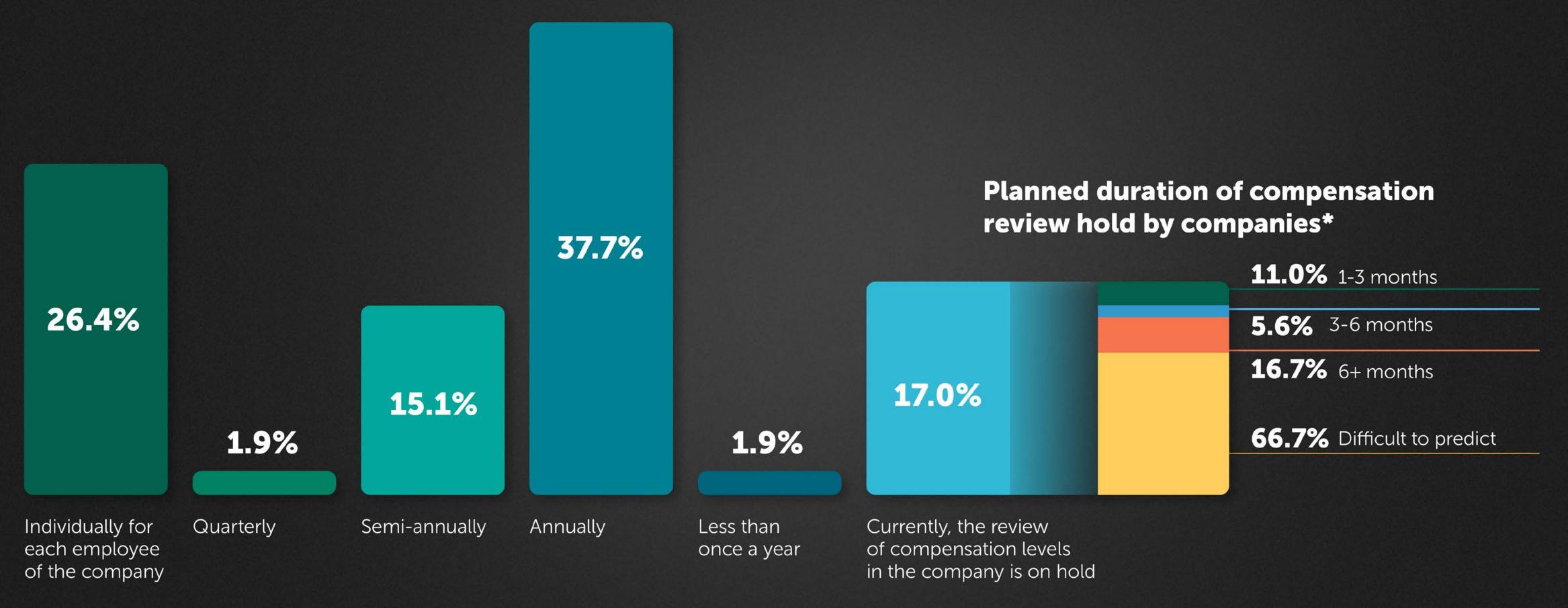
^{*} Respondents could choose multiple answers.

3.3 Employees and Contractors: Demand for Talent, Hiring, and Reserves



3.4 Changes in Compensation Policy

Frequency of compensation reviews in companies



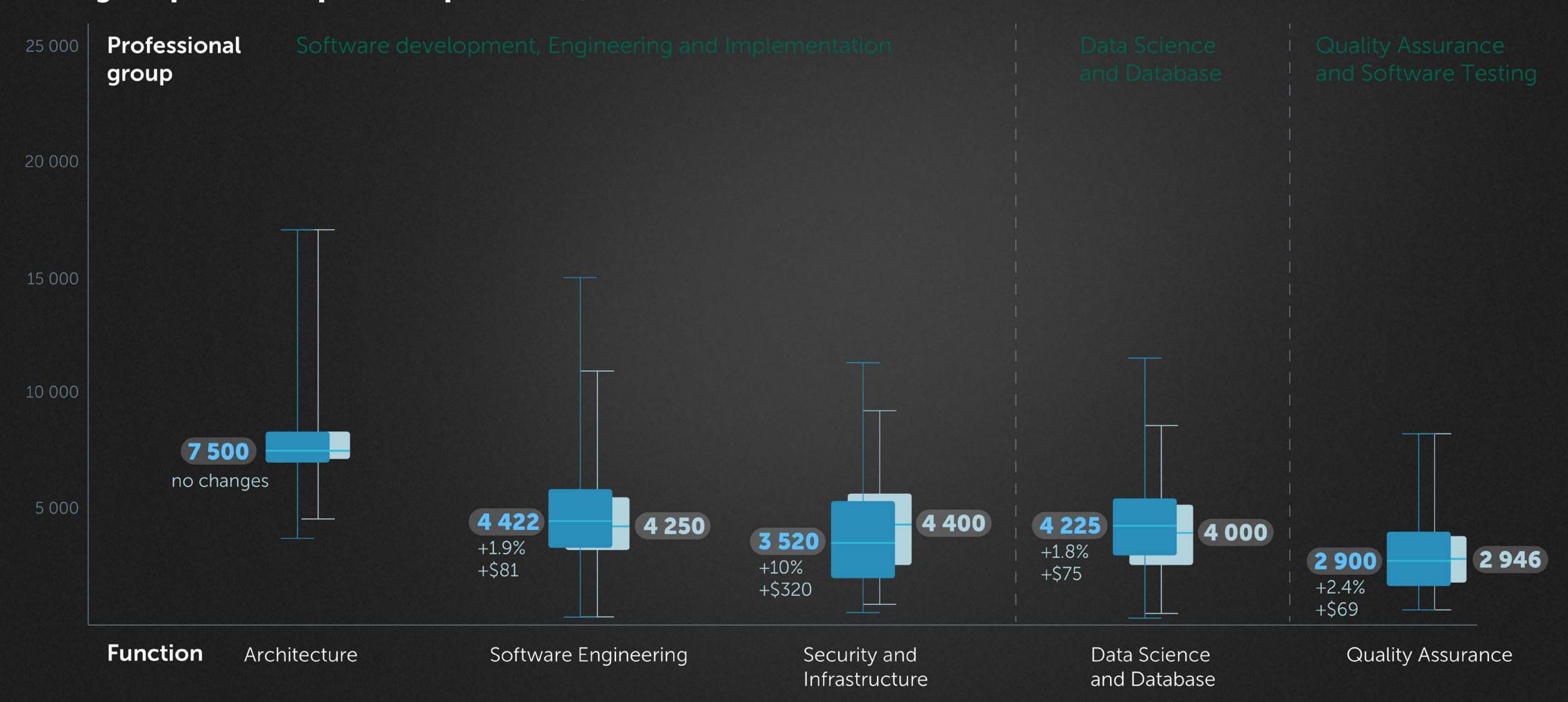
^{*} As of October 2023, among those who have stopped compensation reviews.

Ukraine

Lviv

3.4 Changes in Compensation Policy

Changes in reward ranges for technical functional categories at the company level during the period of April 1 - September 1, 2023, in USD*

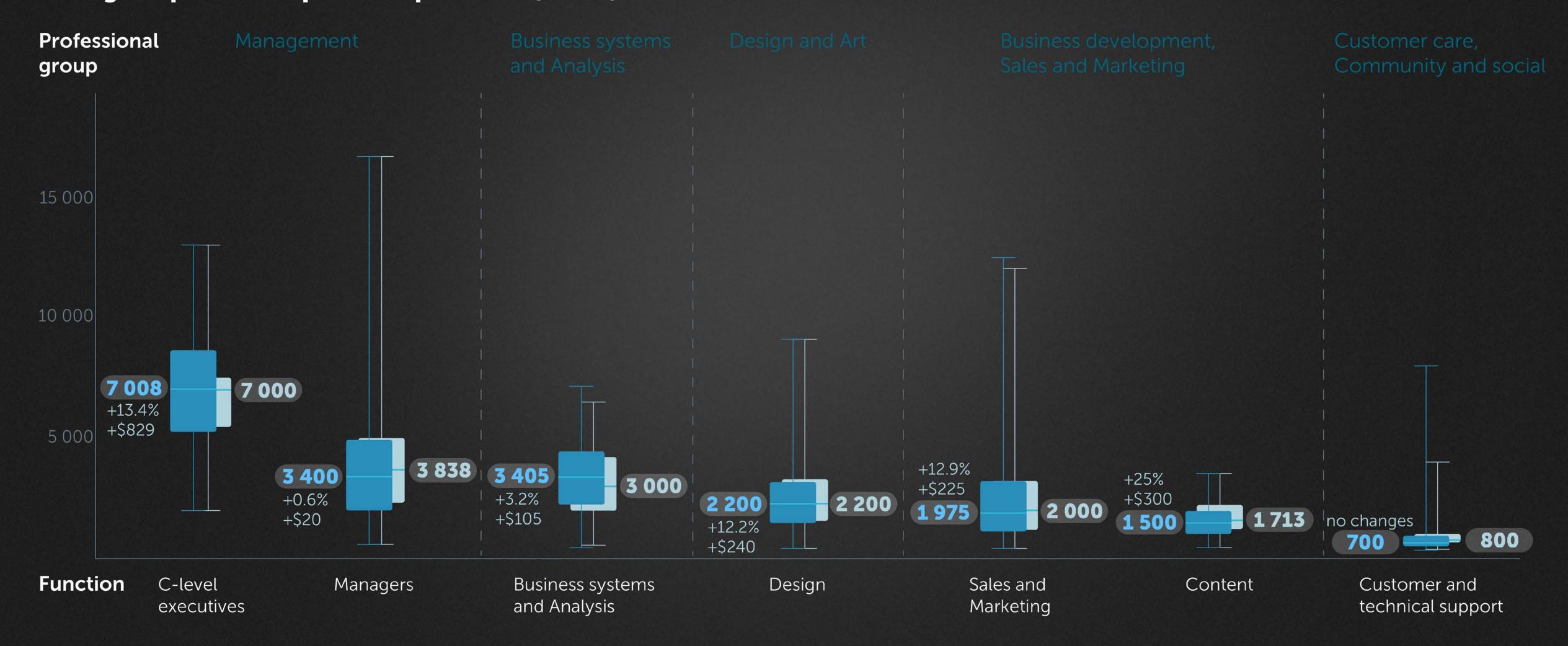


^{*} Indicators are provided in Gross. The specified overall ranges at the functional level include all qualification levels and several positions, such as DevOps Engineer, Security Specialist, Site Reliability Engineer, Cloud Developer / Engineer, and Network Engineer, within the Security and Infrastructure function.

3.4 Changes in Compensation Policy

Changes in reward ranges for non-technical functional categories at the company level during the period of April 1 - September 1, 2023, in USD*

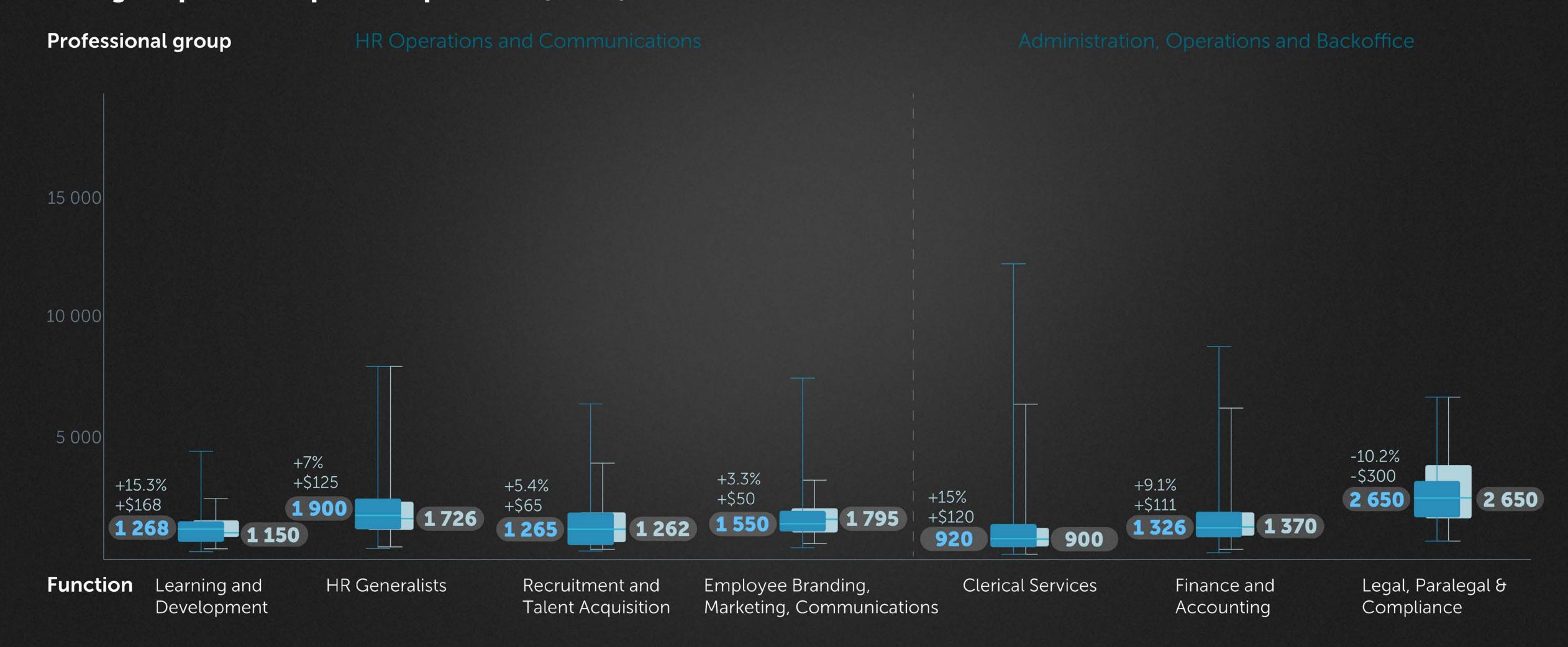




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3.4 Changes in Compensation Policy

Changes in the bonus system*







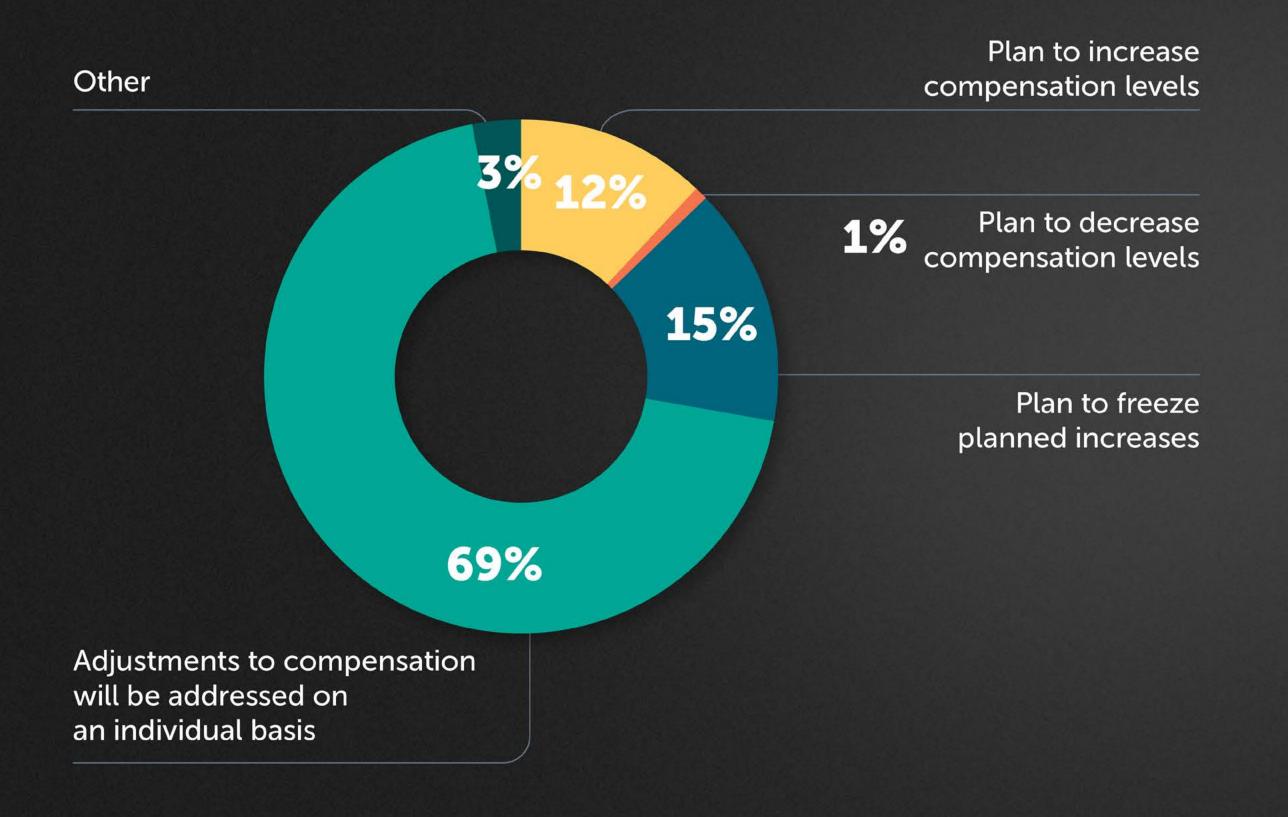
23%

of tech companies have changed their short-term payment system (bonuses).

^{*} Among companies that made changes.

3.4 Changes in Compensation Policy

Changes in compensation policies across companies*



The average planned increase in compensation levels in the short-term perspective.

of tech companies have frozen planned compensation increases in the last six months.

^{*} Among those who declared plans to change the compensation policy.

3.4 Changes in Compensation Policy

Features of the compensation policy for personnel mobilized in the Armed Forces of Ukraine*

Monthly fixed financial aid	18%
Permanent partial compensation of wages	16%
Permanent full compensation of wages	13%
Diversified policy: full compensation for several months, followed by partial compensation	10%
One-time financial aid payment	9%
Monthly financial aid payment for each family member or person the mobilized individual is supporting	0%
One-time financial aid payment for each family member or person the mobilized individual is supporting	0%
Job preservation	48%
The company does not have a compensation policy for individuals mobilized to the Armed Forces of Ukraine	13%
Other	15%

Duration of the period during which the company makes payments under the military leave package from the time of mobilization**

Until returning from military service	50%
Up to three months from the time of mobilization	16%
From three months to six months from the time of mobilization	3%
From six months to a year from the time of mobilization	9%
More than a year from the time of mobilization	14%
Other	8%

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of the surveyed companies have mobilized specialists in their staff. Their proportion generally does not exceed 5% of the headcount.

48%

of the companies ensure job retention.

Companies support their employees mobilized to the Armed Forces of Ukraine by ensuring job retention, providing a fixed amount, or partial compensation of their remuneration.

Among companies providing a fixed amount to mobilized employees, the average amount is

\$1 000 per month.

^{*} Respondents could choose multiple answers.

^{**} Among those who have such expenses.

3.5 Changes in Companies' Benefits Package

What companies offer in their benefits package and changes over the past year

	As of the research period	Added a service to the package	Increased the cost of the service	Decreased the cost of the service	Completely excluded from the package over the past year
Medical insurance	51.5%	6.8%	11.9%	1.7%	11.9%
Full or partial reimbursement of the cost of a gym membership / corporate sports activities	42.3%	12.8%	8.5%	• 2.1%	1 0.6%
Additional healthcare services (individual consultation with a doctor, massage, vaccinations, etc.)	ns 30.9%	8.8%	5 .9%	2.9%	8.8%
Consultations with a corporate psychologist / full or partial reimbursement of the cost of psychology sess	ions 35.1%	44.4%	5.6%	0%	0%
Professional training / full or partial reimbursement of the cost of qualification courses	76.3%	1.3%	5.1%	1.3%	5.1%
Provision of corporate equipment	86.6%	1.1%	2.3%	3.4%	1.1%
Full or partial reimbursement of equipment purchase	s 2 0.6%	4.3%	4.3%	0%	8.7%
Free meals at the office	11.3%	15.4%	0%	• 7.7%	• 7.7%
Internal interest clubs	37.1%	2.6%	2.6%	5.1%	• 7.7%
Corporate training and events	73.2%	2.6%	• 5.2%	3.9%	5.2%
Other options	18.6%	15.0%	5.0%	0%	5.0%

5

The average number of combinations of benefit types in a company's package.

40%

of companies changed their benefits package (its content and cost) during 2023.

3.5 Changes in Companies' Benefits Package

Companies' plans for changes to the benefits package in 2024

	Plan to leave unchanged		Plan to a a servic		ncrease the service	Plan to d the cost of t			lude a service e package
Medical insurance		81.8%		10.9%	5.5%		1.8%		0%
Full or partial reimbursement of the cost of a gym membership / corporate sports activities		80.0%	•	6.7%	8.9%	•	4.4%		0%
Additional healthcare services (individual consultation with a doctor, massage, vaccinations, etc.)	s ·	75.8%	•	6.1%	9.1%	•	6.1%	•	3.0%
Consultations with a corporate psychologist / full or partial reimbursement of the cost of psychology session	ons	76.9%		12.8%	7.7%		2.6%		0%
Professional training / full or partial reimbursement of the cost of qualification courses		85.7%		2.6%	7.8%		2.6%		1.3%
Provision of corporate equipment		95.3%		1.2%	2.3%		1.2%		0%
Full or partial reimbursement of equipment purchases		90.5%	•	4.8%	4.8%		0%		0%
Free meals at the office		64.7%	•	11.8%	11.8%		0%		11.8%
Internal interest clubs		89.2%	•	2.7%	2.7%	•	5.4%		0%
Corporate training and events		93.2%	•	2.7%	1.4%	•	2.7%		0%
Other options		84.2%	•	10.5%	0%		5.3%		0%

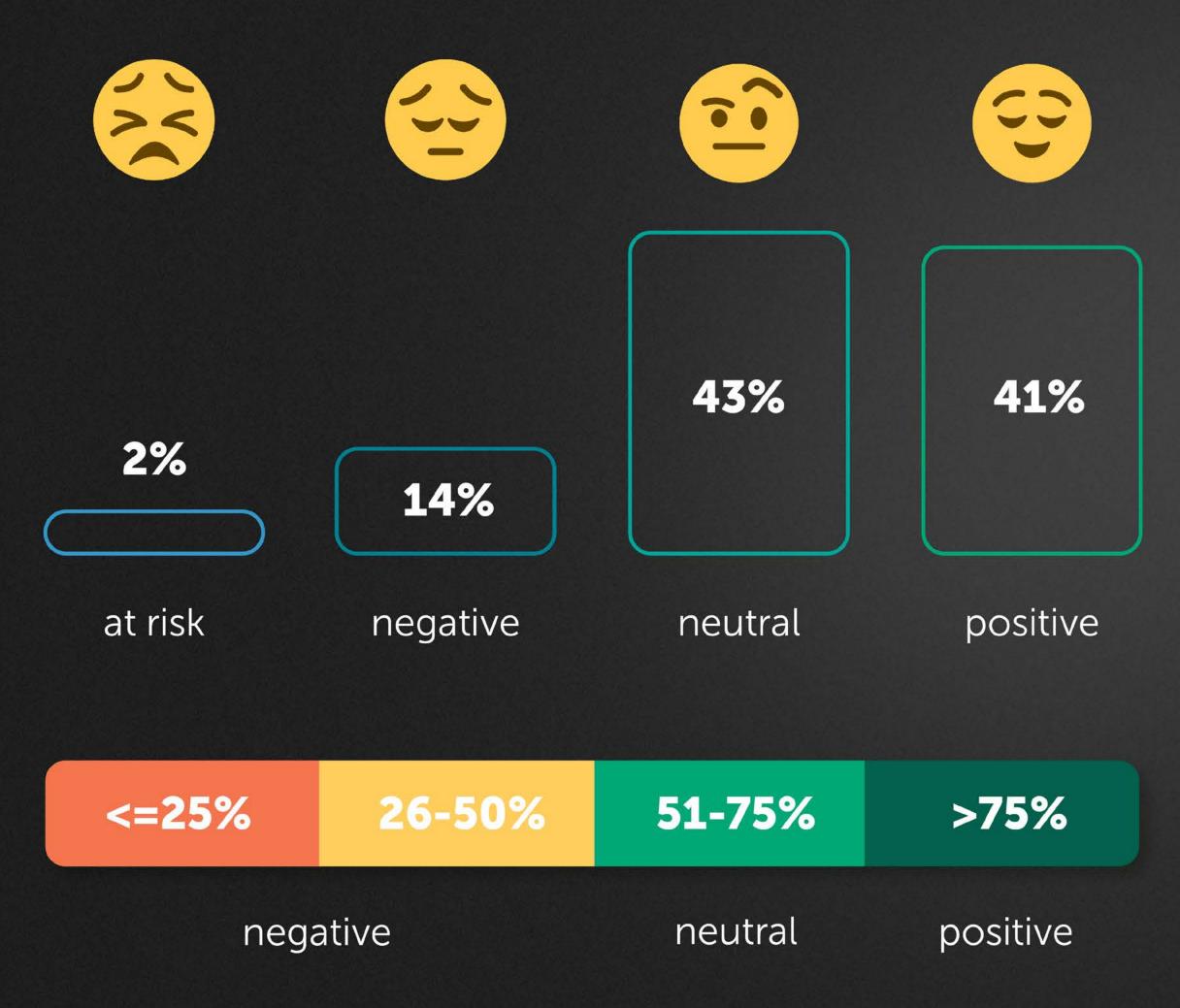
29%

companies plan to make changes to their benefits package in 2024.

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3.6 Company Health According to CEO Assessments

"Company health" assessment by the CEO



CEOs assess the company's health positively. Last year, this figure was 78%.

"Company Health"

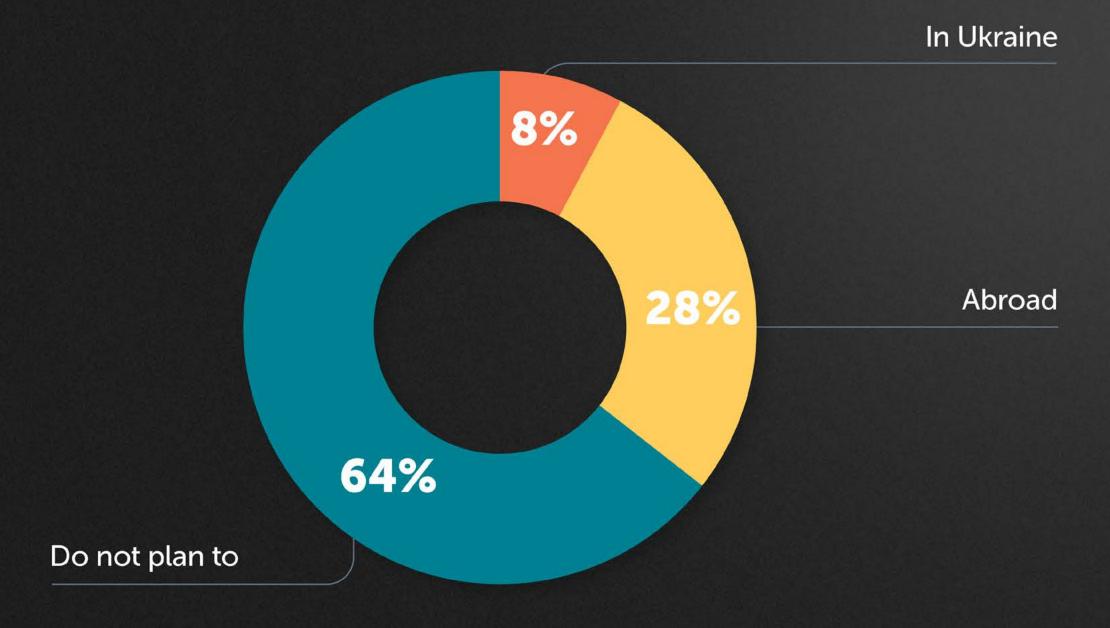
A comprehensive indicator that includes business activity, financial metrics, overall team well-being, social responsibility, and more. Those who rate 75% or higher are classified as "positive health condition", while those rating below 75% fall into "neutral" or "negative" category.

3.7 Plans for Opening Offices in Ukraine and Abroad

5%

of CEOs have plans to close an office in Ukraine.

Plans to open a new representative office in the short-term perspective





of tech company CEOs plan to open new offices in the coming year. The most popular choice for a new location is Poland.



In Ukraine

Kyiv, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Vinnytsia, Mykolaiv



Abroad

3% Poland
3% USA
2% Europe
2% Portugal
1% Great Britain
France
Austria
Czech Republic

Germany

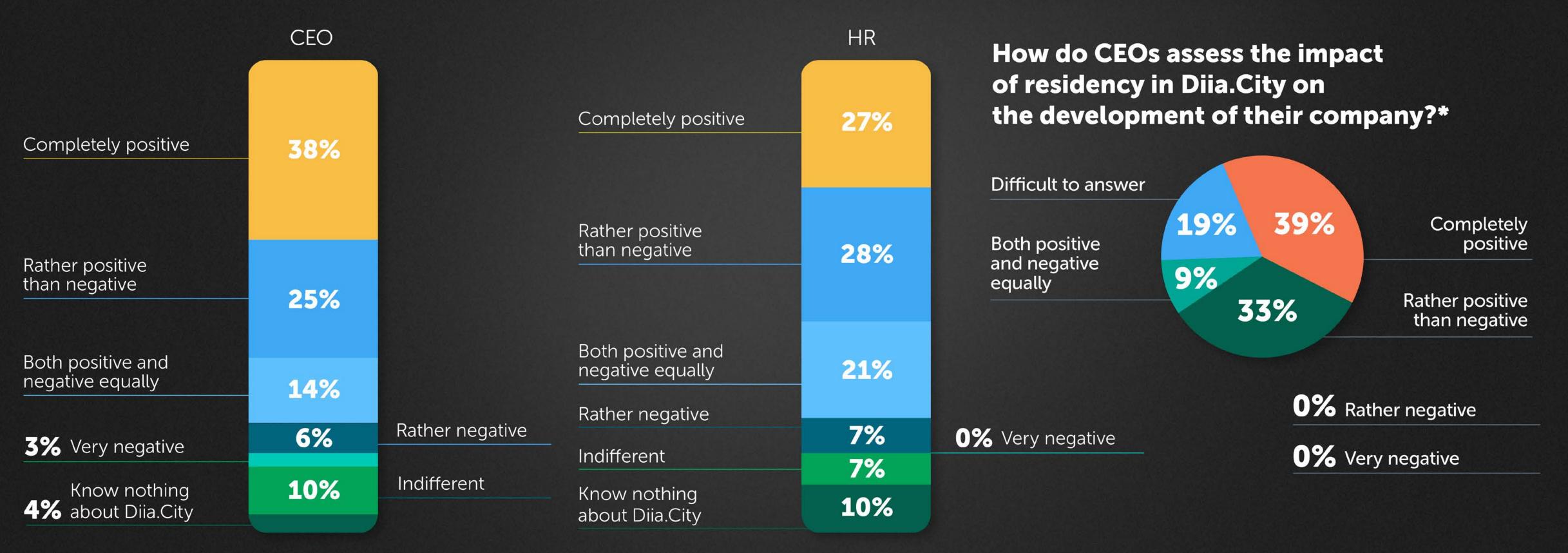
Spain

Central Asia
UAE
Saudi Arabia
Argentina
Canada
Cyprus

3.8 Attitudes of CEOs and HR Professionals in Tech Companies Towards Government Initiatives and Programs

As of the end of November 2023, over 700 companies are residents of Diia. City, employing nearly 56 thousand professionals.

Attitudes towards Diia.City

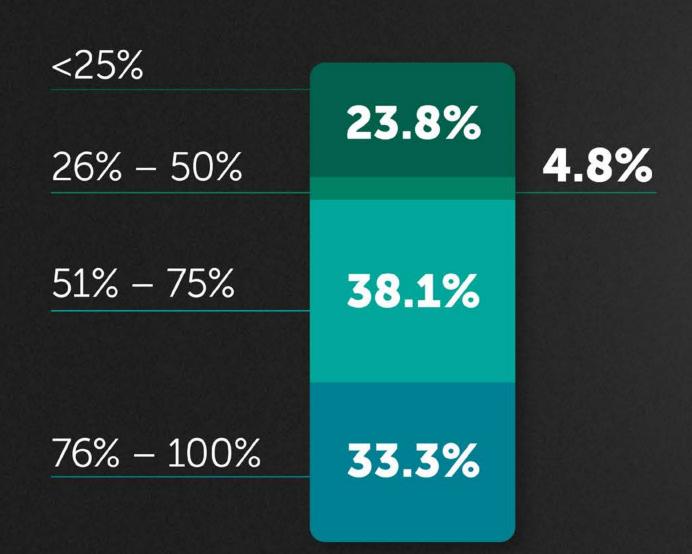


^{*} Among the surveyed CEOs who have a company-resident of Diia. City in their business structure.

3.8 Attitudes of CEOs and HR Professionals in Tech Companies Toward Governmental Initiatives and Programs

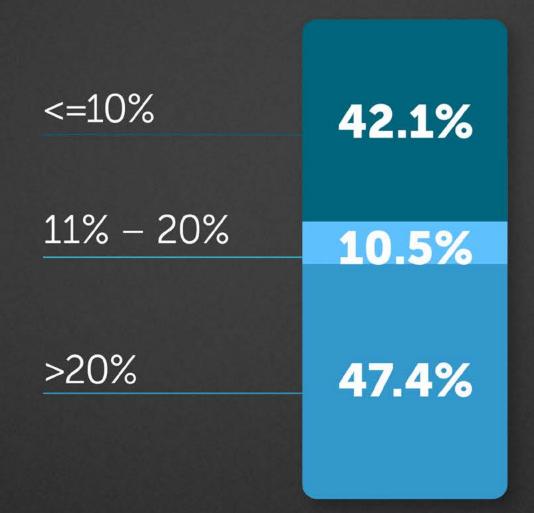
Companies' plans regarding the number of the specialists to switch to gig contracts

% of the headcount



Current number of specialists transferred to gig contracts

% of the headcount





80%

among the surveyed companies that have Diia. City residents within their business structure, started the process of transitioning specialists to gig contracts.



35%

of the headcount is the average share of gig contractors in such companies.

17%

representing the median.

Among those companies that have not yet made the transition, 1/3 plan to initiate the process by studying the details.

3.8 Attitudes of CEOs and HR Professionals in Tech Companies oward Governmental Initiatives and Programs

Assessment of satisfaction level with the established military reservation system of tech specialists

Assessment of CEO satisfaction level with the established
system for obtaining permits for business trips abroad

	CEO	HR		
Completely satisfied	4.0%	0%	3	6.4%
Rather satisfied than dissatisfied	16.0%	8.4%	3	6.4%
Both satisfied and dissatisfied simultaneously	16.0%	3.2%	2	8.2%
Rather dissatisfied	20.0%	11.6%		13.8%
Completely dissatisfied	44.0%	15.8%		35.8%
Difficult to answer	0%	32.6%		15.6%
Know nothing about it	0%	28.4%		13.8%

Only 22% of companies' CEOs have experience with the procedure for reserving technical specialists.

3,498 tech specialists have been reserved through the Ministry of Digital Transformation in Ukraine as of January 29, 2024*. Approximately 1,500 of these specialists are being repeatedly reserved.

^{*} Based on data from representatives of the Diia. City project office.

4.1 Movement Vectors



A significant portion of migration occurs within the same region. The most common departures were from the Kyiv, Lviv, Kharkiv regions.

Additionally, 9% left from Ivano-Frankivsk.

The outflow from western regions and the influx into the Kyiv and Kharkiv regions indicate a trend of internally displaced tech specialists returning home because the situation has become controlled and more stable.

4.1 Movement Vectors

Relocation by macro-regions*

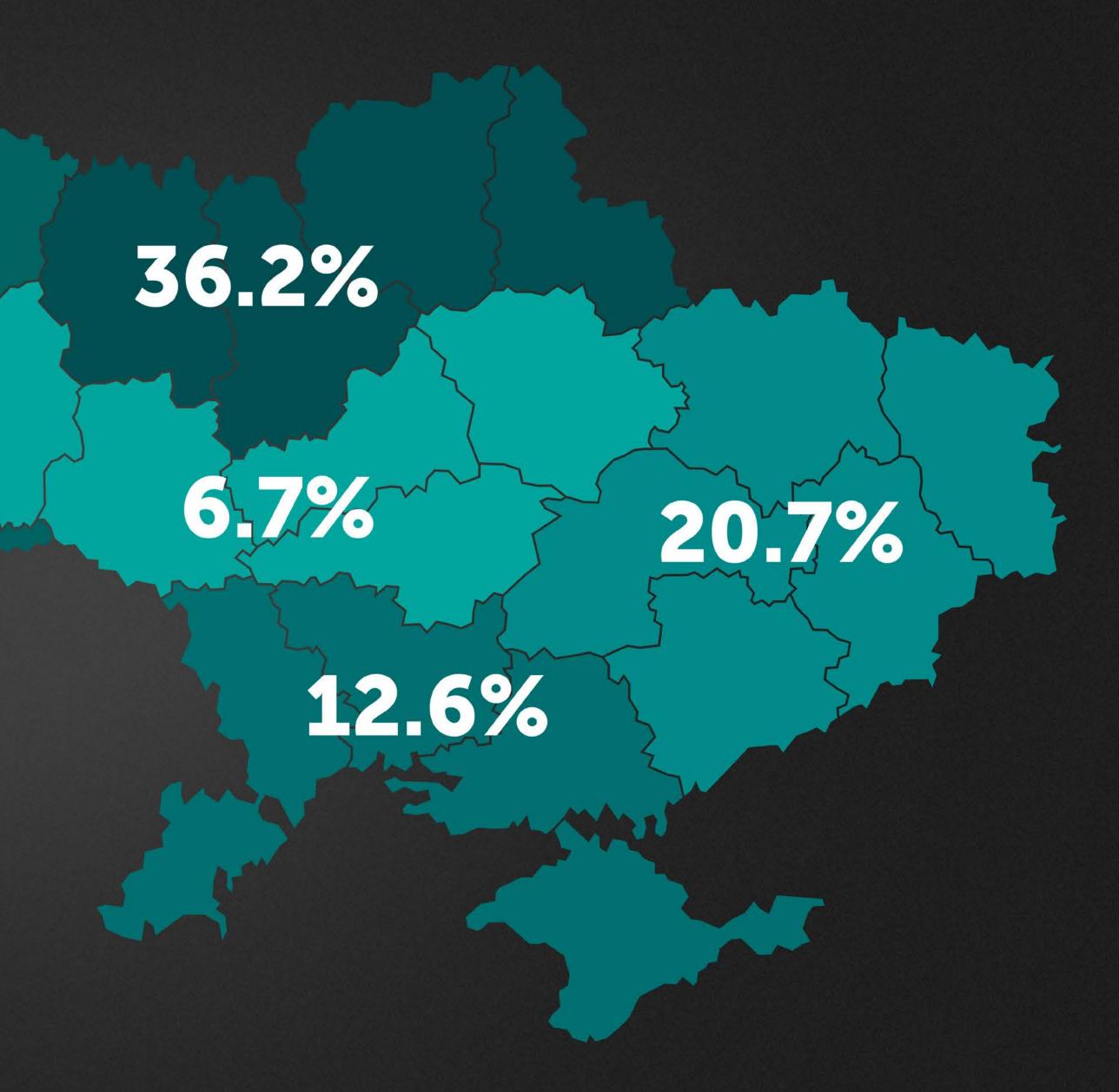
23.8%

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of tech specialists changed their place of residence last year.

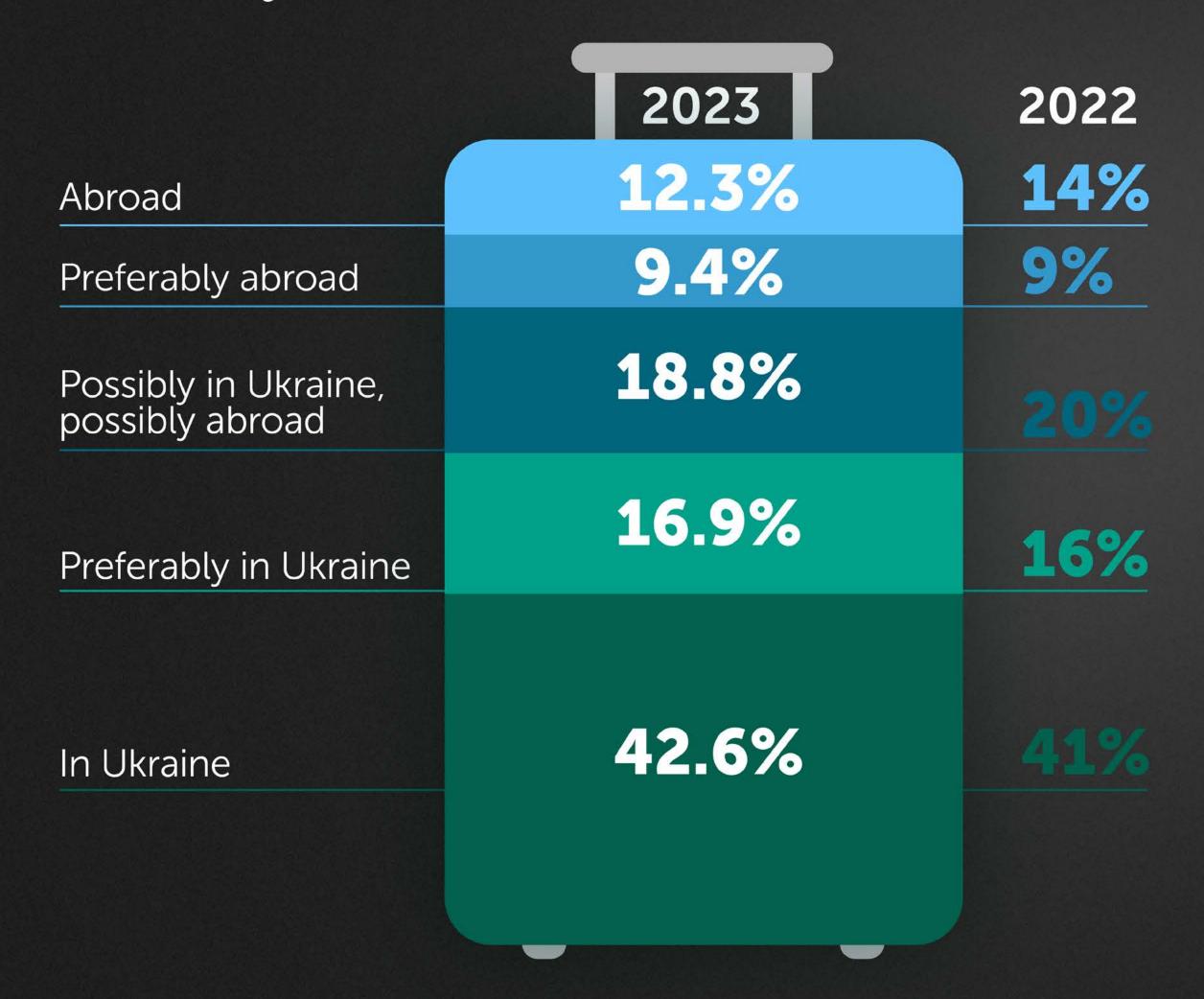
Every fifth tech specialist among those who changed their place of residence returned from abroad this year. This accounts for approximately 5% of the total.

On average, they move no more than twice. One out of every five tech specialists moves three times or more.



4.2 Overall Migration Attitudes

If you had no limitations in choosing a place of residence, where would you like to live?



59.5%

of tech specialists want to live in Ukraine (+2.5% compared to 2022).

8%

of tech specialists plan to change their place of residence within this year, while another third are undecided. Among those who have changed their place of residence, the percentage willing to move further is significantly higher than those who have not relocated.

4.2 Overall Migration Attitudes

Specialists who are planning to relocate or are undecided were asked to choose their desired destinations. More than half of them indicated that they want to move abroad.

9 K – 11 K or 4% of tech specialists in Ukraine may potentially move abroad during this year.

Where would you like to relocate?*		Among those who are planning to relocate	Among those who are undecided
Abroad	57.8%	47.6%	60.7%
To another region / city / village in Ukraine	32.7%	42.2%	29.9%
To their home region / city / village in Ukraine	19.3%	24.6%	17.8%

^{*} Relocation directions among those who plan to change their place of residence or are still hesitating.

4.3 Migration Decision-Changing Factors

The tech industry continues to work towards Ukraine's collective victory in the full-scale war.

Migration attitudes represent the tech market's responses to possible events.

Tech specialists were presented with a list of conditions over a one-year time frame. Based on their assessment of each of these conditions, we explored the overall migration inclination and identified strategies for the future.

Migration balancer

Migration balancer indicates the change of the overall migration attitudes depending on the suggested scenarios in favor of living in Ukraine or moving abroad. The indicator is calculated separately for each respondent but is given as an average group value for each scenario / factor.

The indicator varies from -4 to +4.



4.3 Migration Decision-Changing Factors

Factors relating to individual choices to stay in Ukra	aine			Indicator	Indicator
	Will stay in Ukraine	Undecided	Will try to move abroad	of migration balancer 2023	of migration balancer 2022
The modernization of the state is based on liberalization of the economy, the introduction of economic freedoms, including minimal taxation	81%	12%	7%		0.58
Clients agree to cooperate with tech specialists located in Ukrain	78%	13%	9%	1.94	
Lack of tech specialists, a significant number of vacancies	74%	14%	<u>12%</u>	1.81	0.34
Employers create conditions and / or additional incentives for working in safe regions (locations) in Ukraine	73%	16%	11%	1.79	0.3
Receiving an attractive job offer in Ukraine	82%	10%	8%	2.04	
The opportunity to go on international business trips without restrictions	61%	17%	22%		

4.3 Migration Decision-Changing Factors

On the other hand, refusal of clients to cooperate with tech specialists in Ukraine, general mobilization and military obligation, and hypothetical loss or destruction of housing may cause relocating abroad.

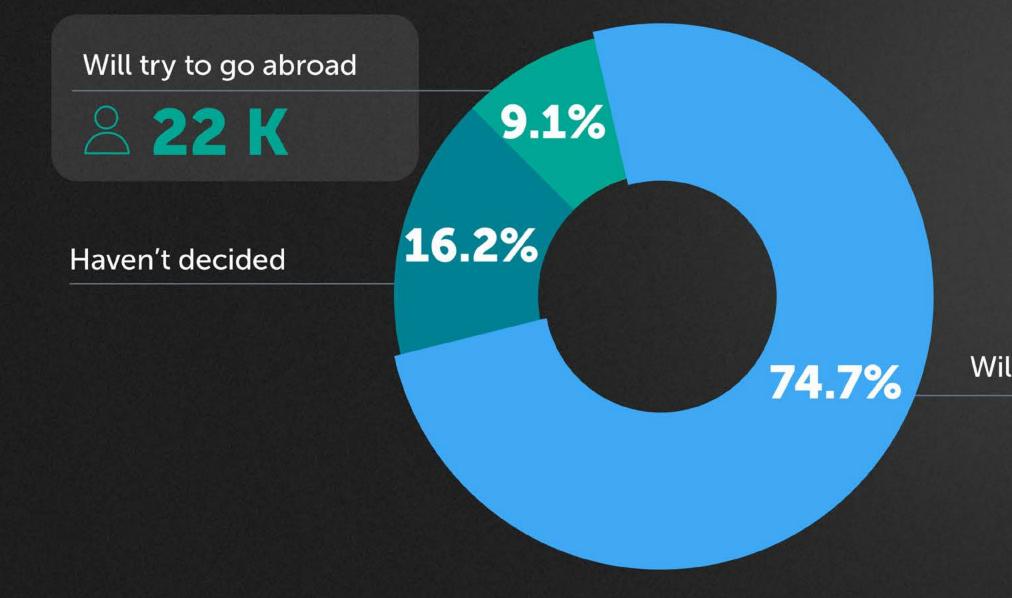
Factors that change the individual overall migration attitude in favor of moving abroad

	Will try to move abroad	The position hasn't changed at all	Will stay in Ukraine	Indicator of migration balancer 2023	Indicator of migration balancer 2022
Clients refuse to cooperate with tech specialists located in Ukraine	48%	21%	31%		
The state's security strategy also provides for general mobilization and military service obligation	41%	21%	38%	0.63	-0.72
Hypothetical loss of housing at the place of permanent residence	40%	21%	39%	0.67	-0.82

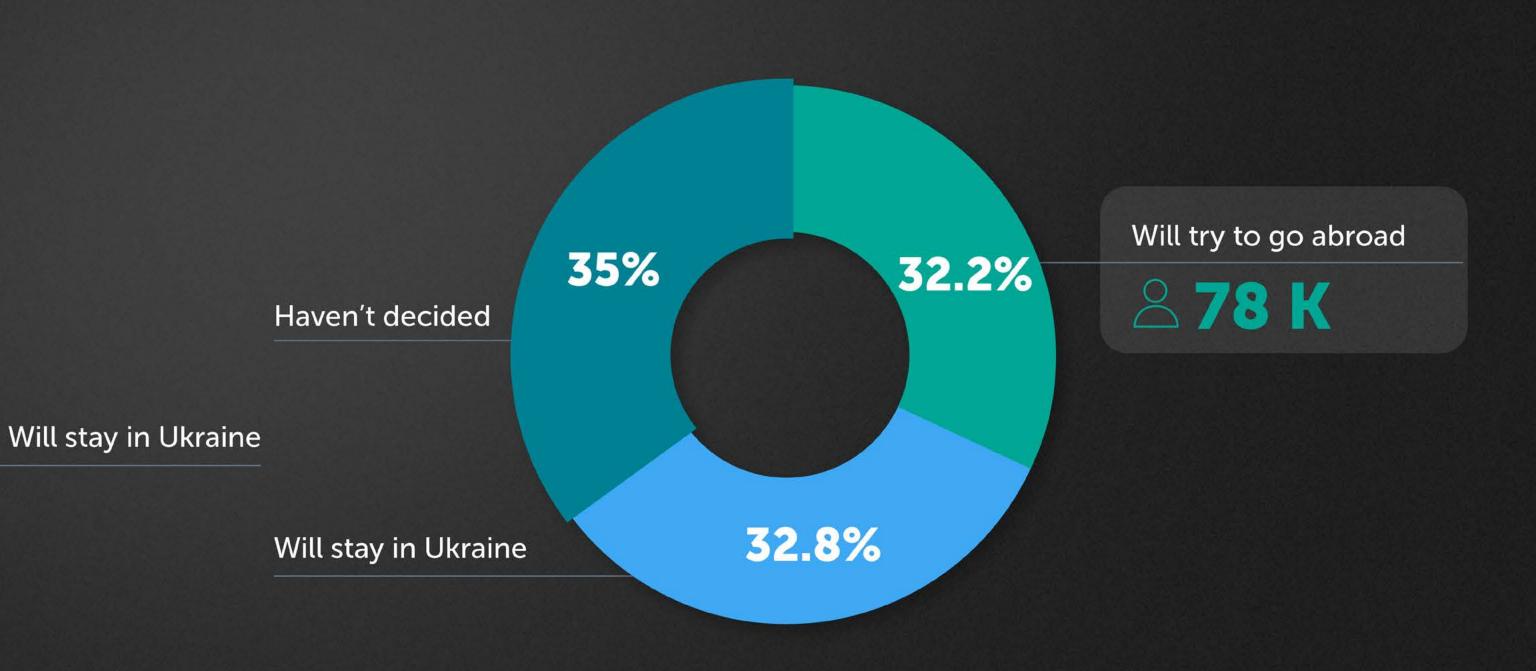
4.4 Future Scenarios

Even in the most positive scenario, there is a risk of losing human capital. However, compared to 2022, the projected outflow volume is 2% smaller.



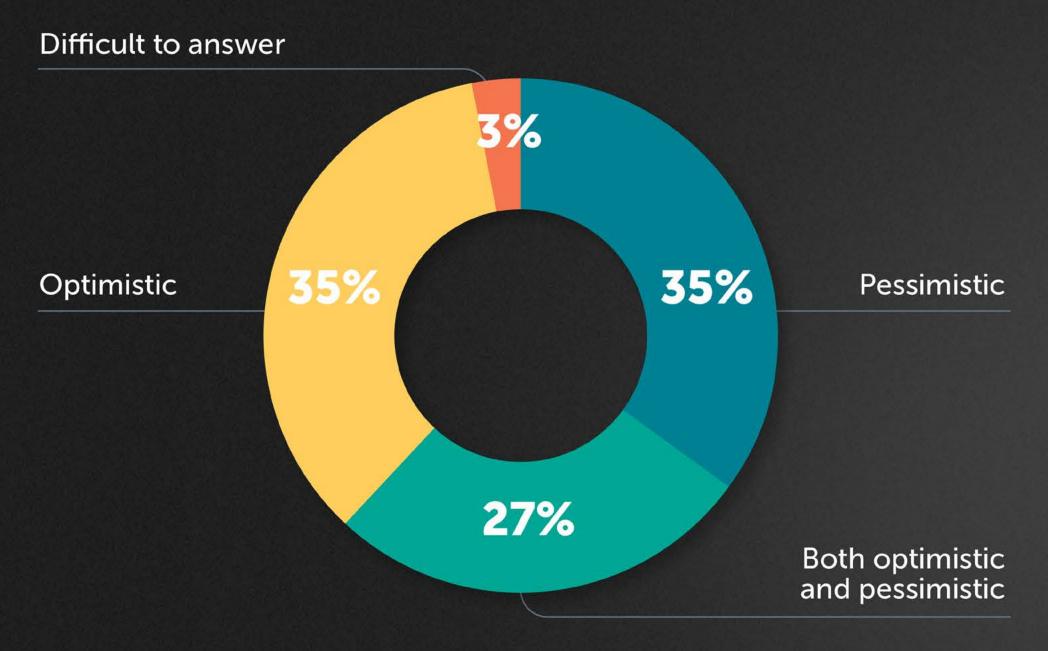


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5.1 Expectations of Tech Specialists





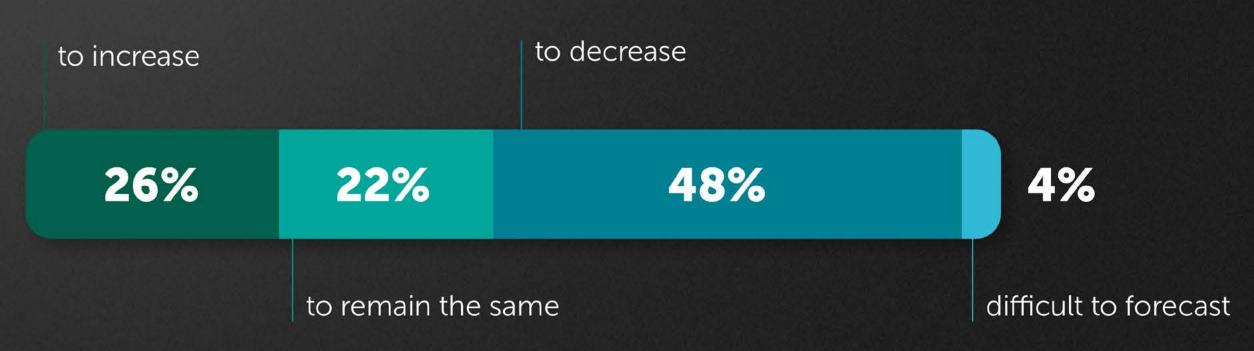
tech specialists remain optimistic about Ukraine's tech industry economic future

were optimistic in 2022

Over the next 12 months, tech specialists expect a median salary



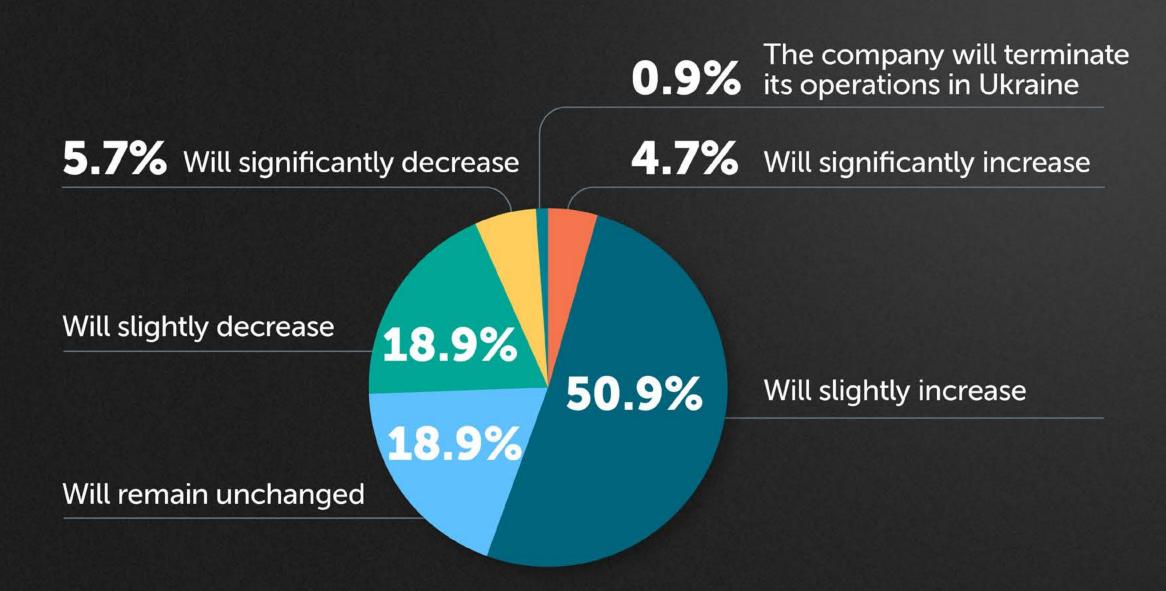
Forecasts on the number of vacancies in Ukraine's tech market in a year



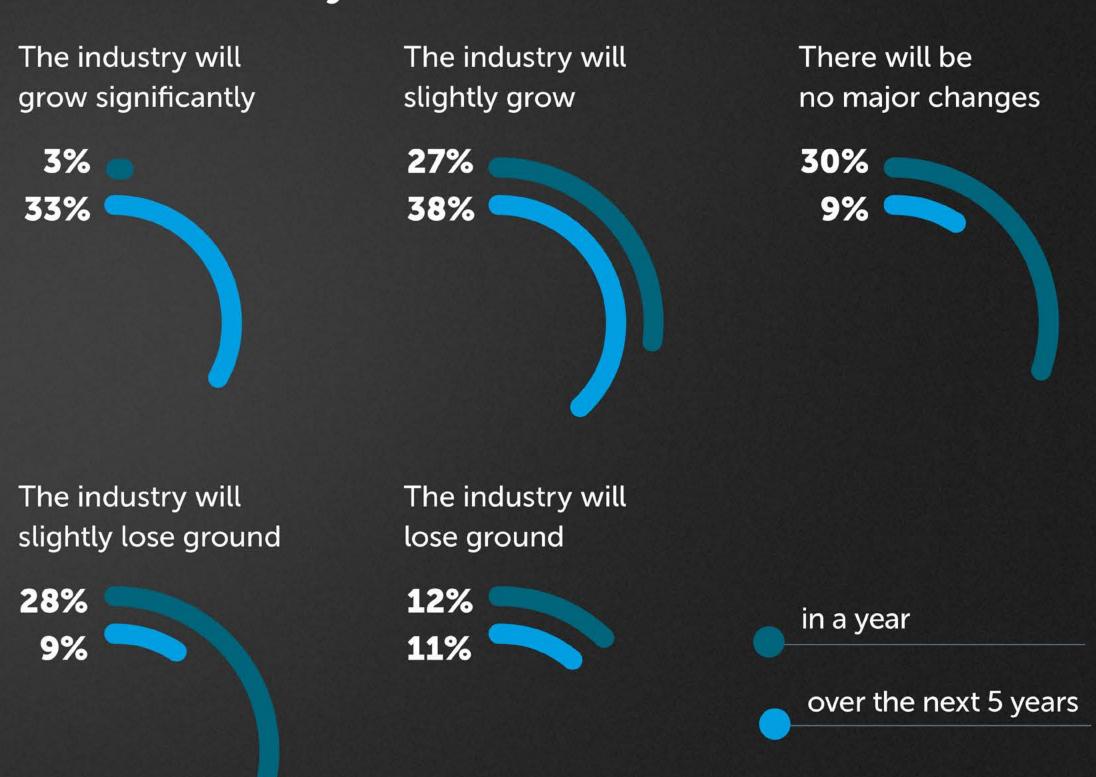
5.2 CEOs Expectations

Short-term forecasts of tech companies' CEOs are moderately optimistic, and long-term ones are strongly optimistic.

Tech companies CEOs forecasts for changes in the Ukrainian businesses turnover in the one-year perspective

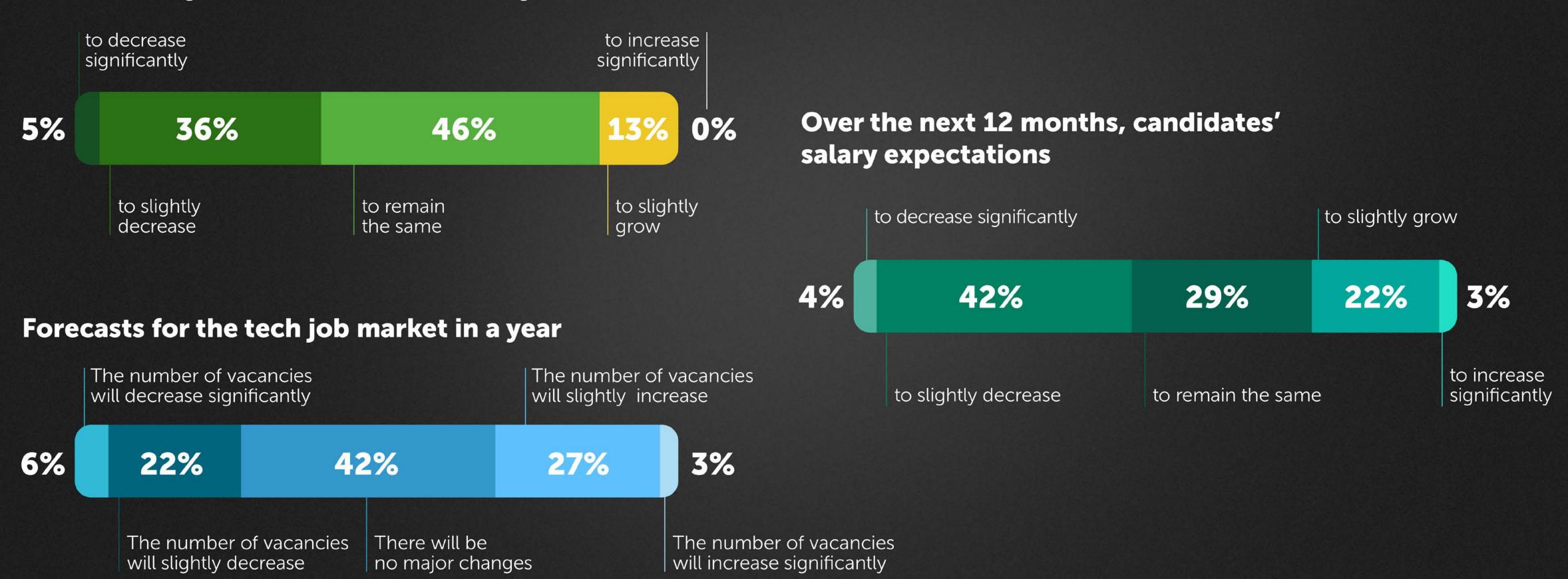


CEOs' forecasts for the growth of the tech industry in Ukraine



5.3 Expectations of HR Specialists

Over the next 12 months, HR specialists expect median salary in Ukraine's tech industry



5.4 Forecasts for Changes in the Median Compensation

Forecasts for the median salary in the Ukrainian tech industry for 2024

	CEO	HR	Tech specialists
The median will significantly increase	1.0%	0%	1.6%
The median will slightly increase	30.4%	13.4%	15.4%
The median will remain unchanged	40.0%	45.4%	42.0%
		36.0%	74 20/
The median will slightly decrease	26.7%	5.2%	34.2% 6.8%
The median will significantly decrease	1.9%	5.2%	0.076



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6.1 Investments

Sources of attracting investment among companies

	Currently attract	Plan to attract
Angel (private) investments	10.5%	47.2%
International venture capital funds	2.9%	36.1%
International financial organizations	1.9%	25.0%
Ukrainian venture capital funds	1.0%	22.2%
Ukrainian private equity funds	1.9%	13.9%
Okrainian private equity funds	1.9%	13.9%
Crowdfunding	0%	8.3%
Grant programs	3.8%	50.0%
Bank loans	2.9%	16.7%
Co-founder investments	16.2%	47.2%
Other sources	5.7%	8.3%
No sources	67.6%	0%

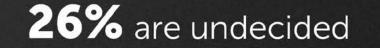
34%

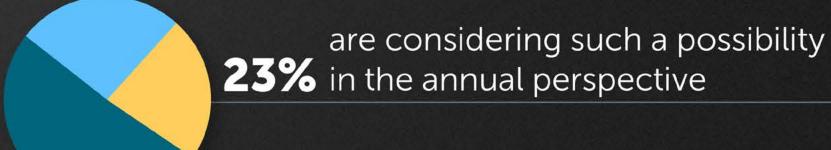
of companies are considering the possibility of attracting additional investments in the short term perspective, while another quarter are hesitant.

59%

of companies that have previously attracted investments plan to continue doing so.

Among companies that have not previously attracted additional funding:

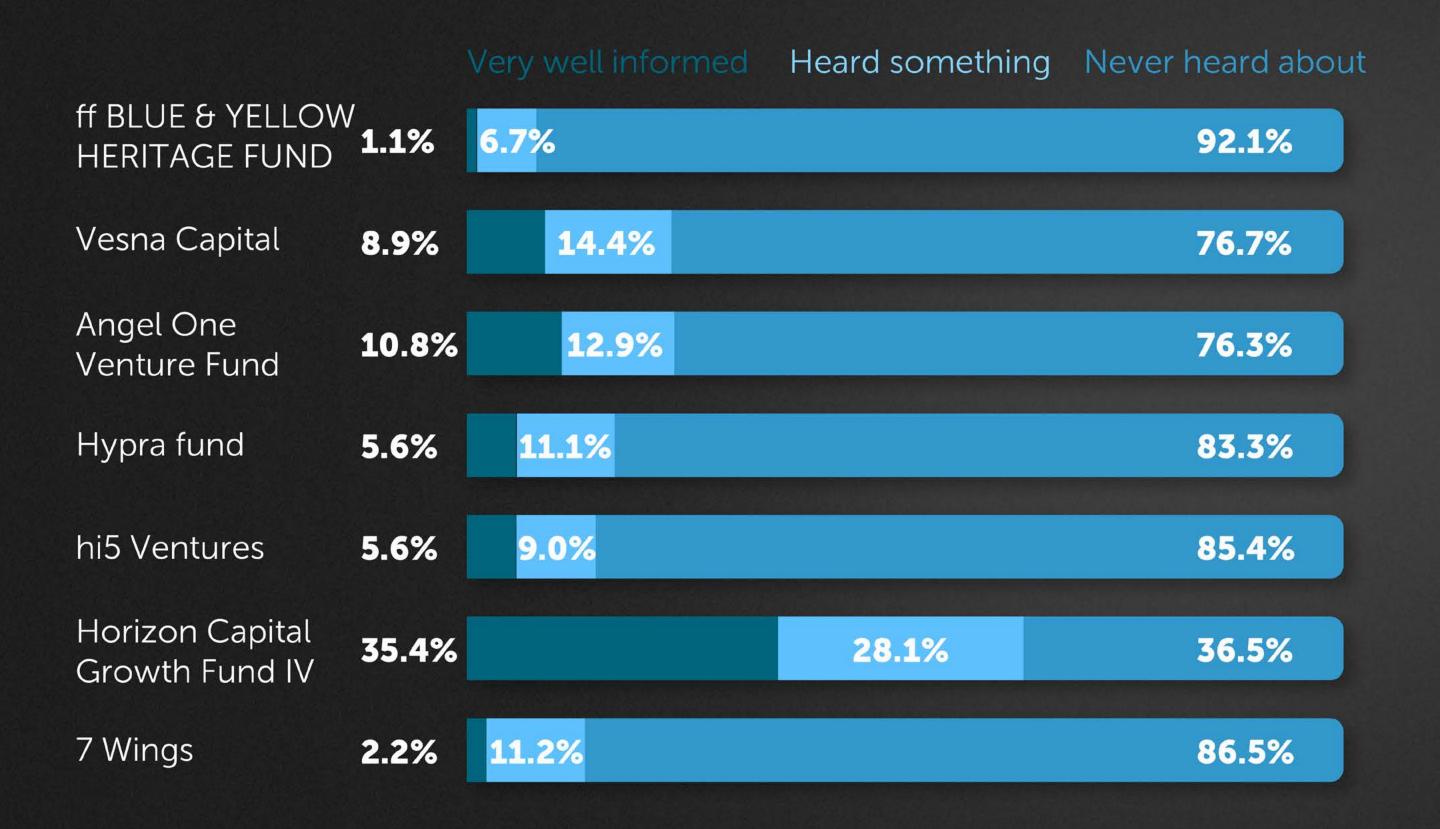




of companies do not attract investments **51%** and do not plan to do so in the future

6.1 Investments

Awareness among companies of venture funds willing to invest in Ukrainian product-based tech companies



Besides the proposed list, CEOs of companies also mentioned*: AVentures Capital, SID Venture Partners, Flyer One Ventures, ZAS Ventures, Digital Future, Geek Ventures, SMOK VENTURES, TA Ventures, K.Fund, N1 Fund Investment, NetSolid Investments, New Nordic Ventures, Presto Ventures, Q Partners, SMRK VC Fund, STARTUP WISE GUYS, u.ventures.

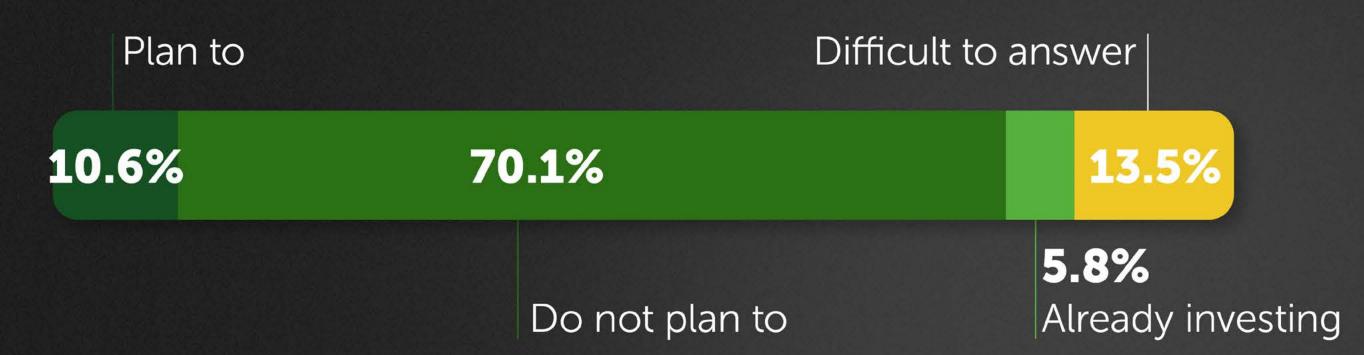
Companies' awareness of grant programs offered by partners

	USAID "Competitive Economy of Ukraine" Program
44.8%	USAID Economic Resilience Activity (USAID ERA)
	207 (12 2007) THE TRESIDENT OF THE ETT.
11.8%	"Ukraine: Leadership, export support, investment attraction and development program" (ULEAD) WNISEF
25.0%	Dual-Use Grant Support Program Ukrainian Startup Fund
29.3%	Grant of the Ukrainian Startup Fund
12.1%	The Innovation Voucher Programme of the Ukrainian Startup Fund (USF)
4.4%	Eureka Grant of the Ukrainian Startup Fund
35.5%	The Own Business Program (micro-grants) by the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine

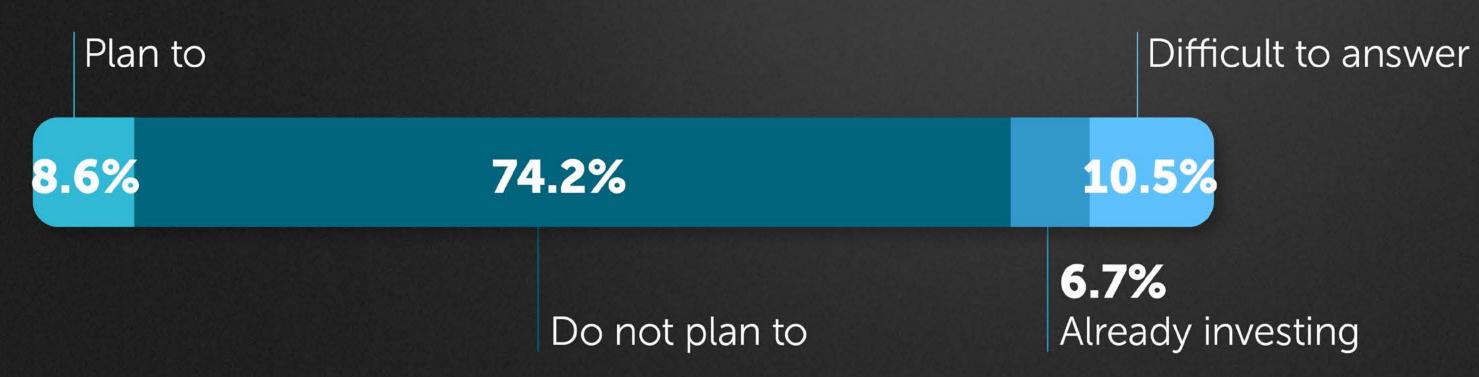
6.1 Investments

Plans of companies to invest in startups

In Ukrainian startups



In foreign startups



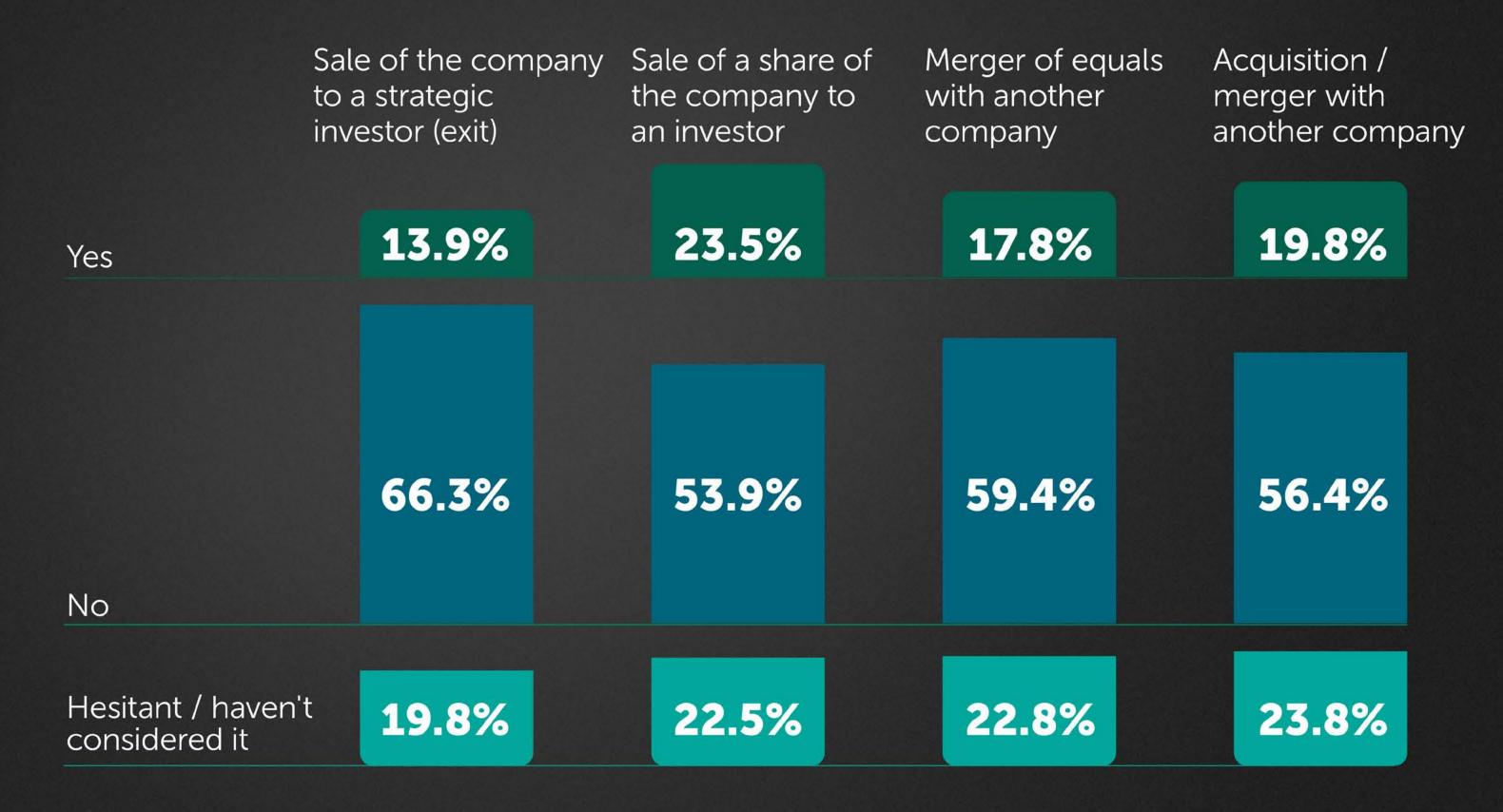
61%

of companies indicate that they do not require additional training in investment field.

6.1 Investments

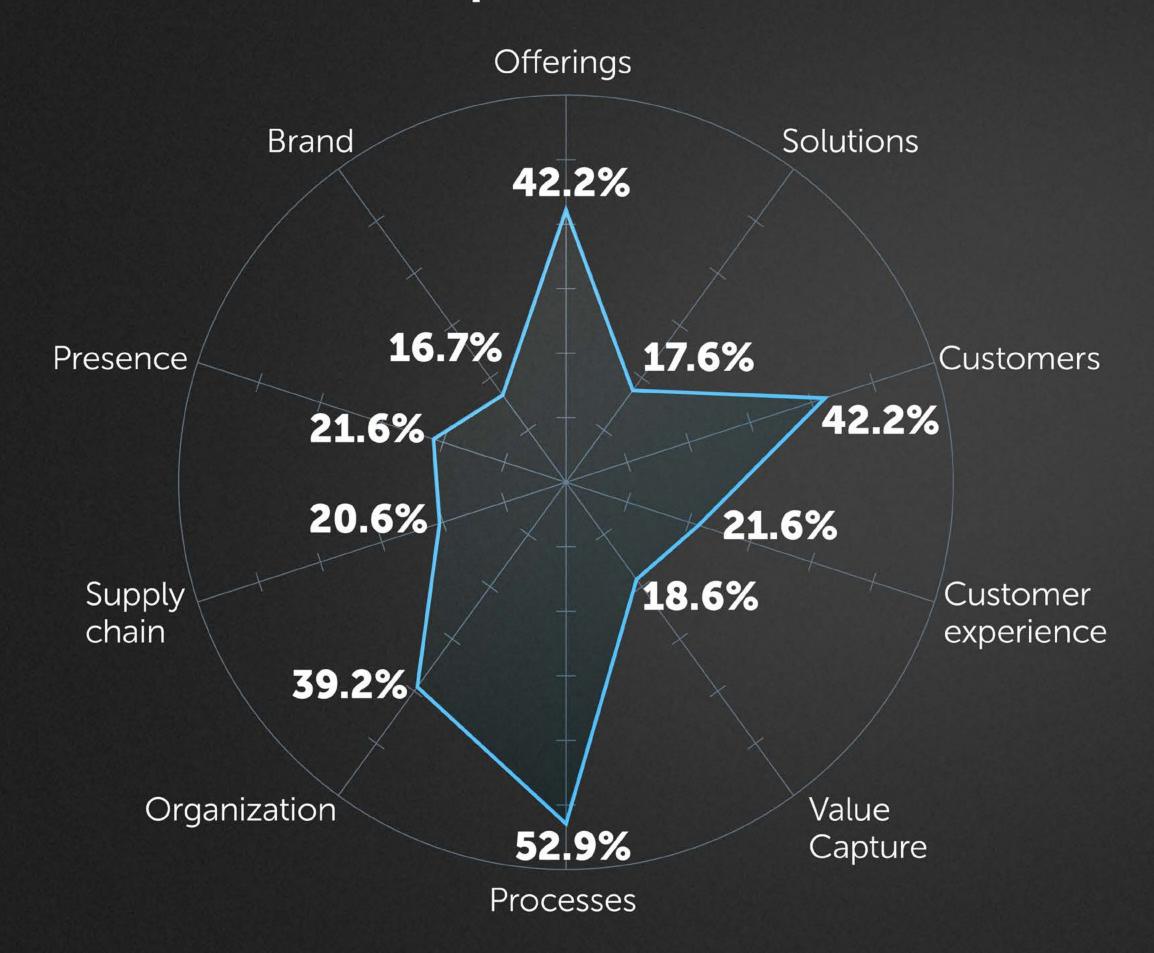
The Legal Consulting team of the Lviv IT Cluster provides comprehensive legal support and interests protection of the tech businesses.

Are companies considering the possibility of the following deals?



6.2 Innovations

Innovation radar of Ukrainian tech companies*



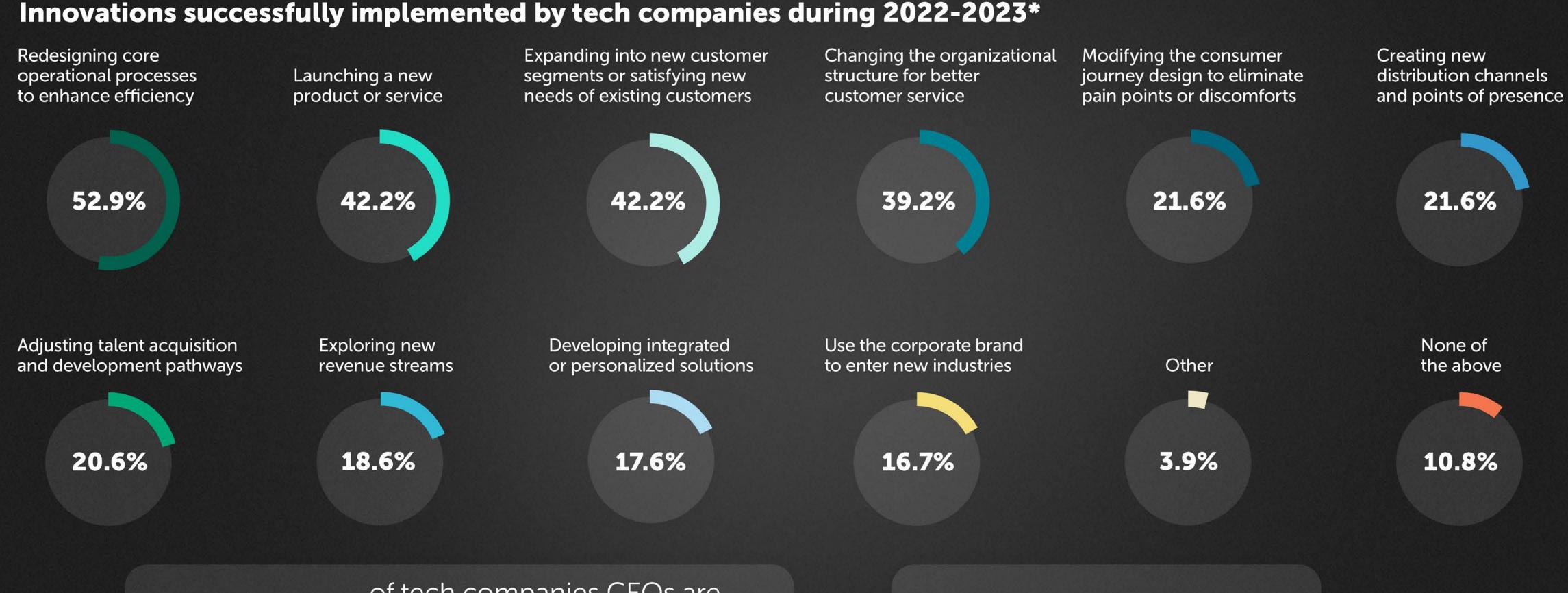
of companies consider innovation a key success factor

in modern tech business.

^{*} The visualization is created according to the "Innovation Radar" framework by Mohanbir Sawhney, Robert C. Wolcott, Inigo Arroniz [MITSloan, 2006]

6.2 Innovations





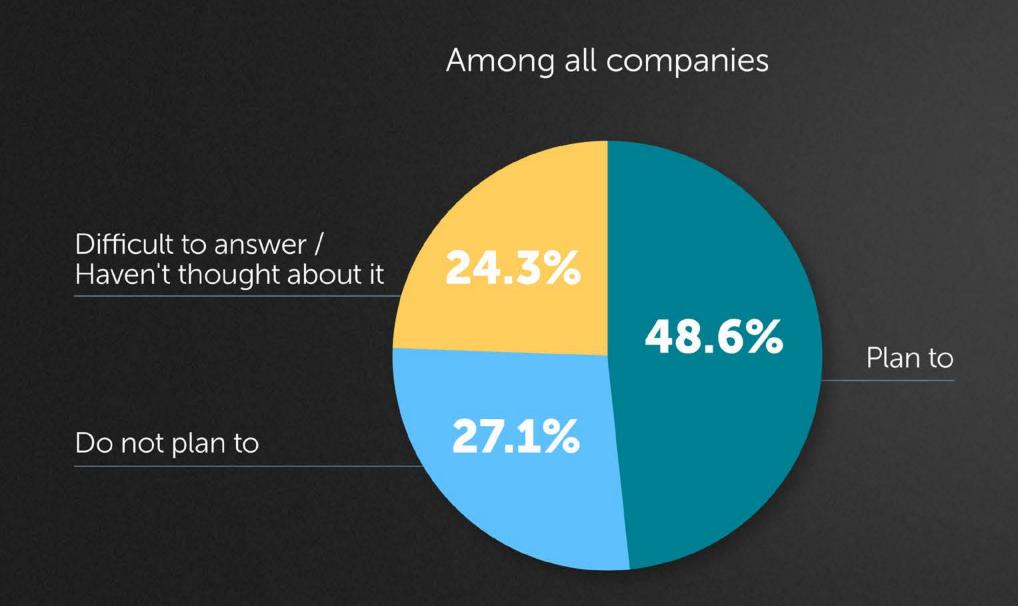
of tech companies CEOs are satisfied with the innovativeness of their business

are dissatisfied

^{*} Respondents could select multiple answers.

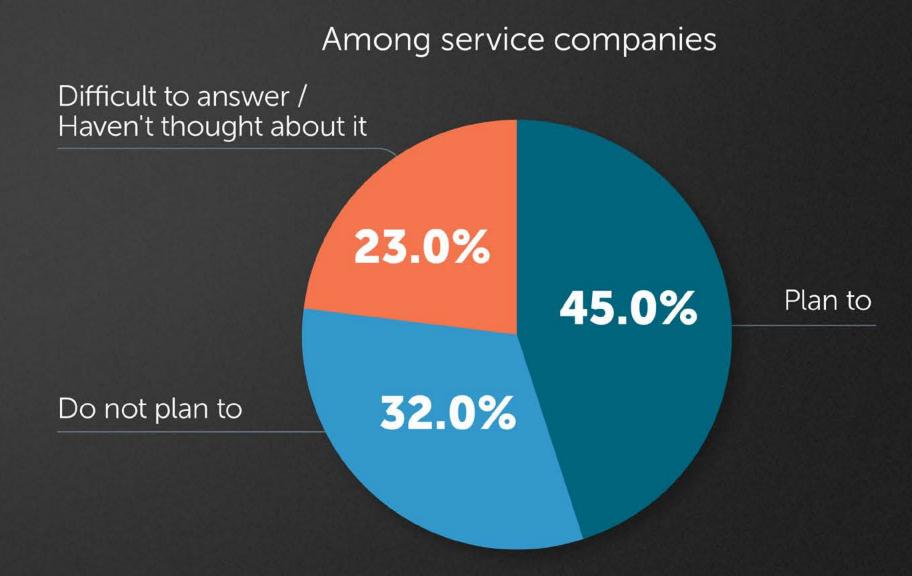
6.2 Innovations

Companies' plans for developing their own new product in the medium-term perspective (up to three years)



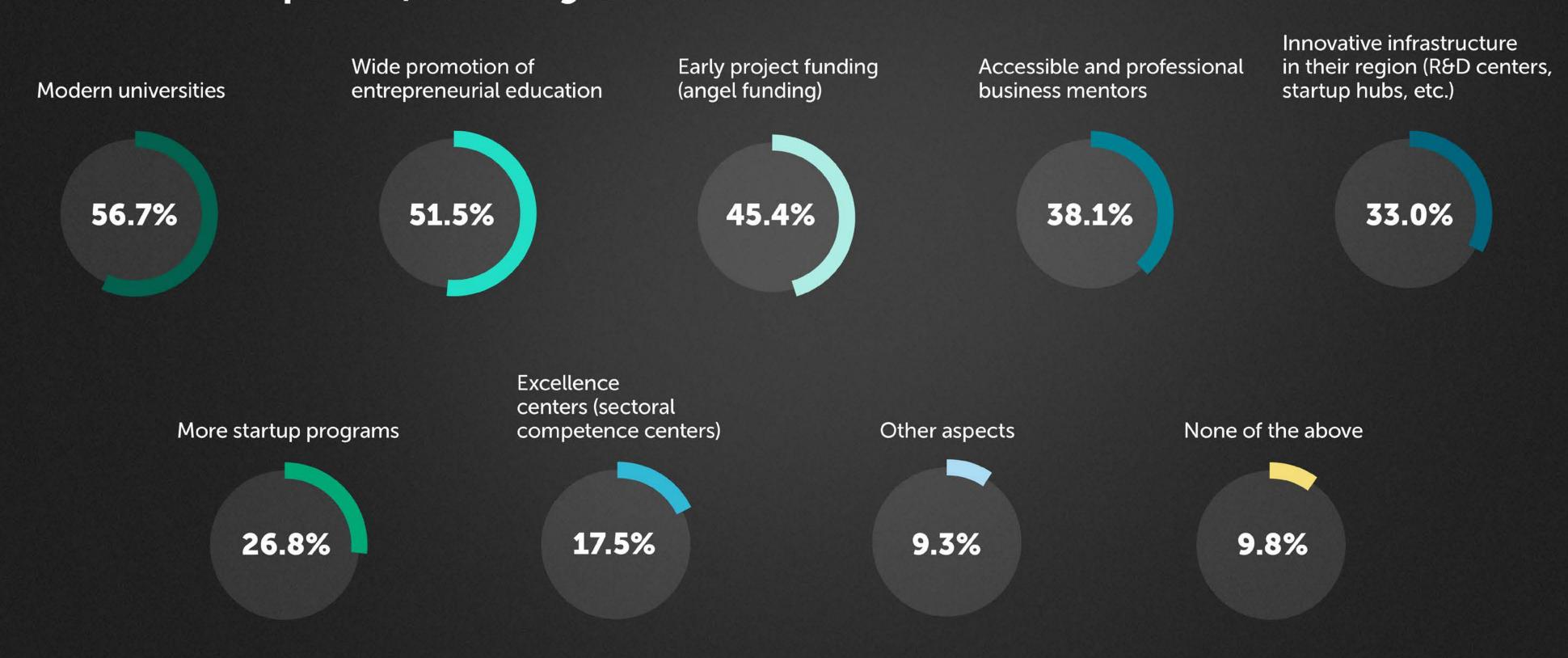
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of all surveyed companies plan to develop a new product within the next three years.



6.2 Innovations

What the technological ecosystem of Ukraine lacks the most to be more competitive, according to CEOs*



^{*} Respondents could select multiple answers.



The USAID Competitive Economy Program in Ukraine (USAID CEP) supports Ukrainian businesses with the goal of providing assistance to competitive industries and firms in Ukrainian and international markets. The program aims to foster a more favorable business environment and enable Ukrainian companies to benefit from international trade.





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