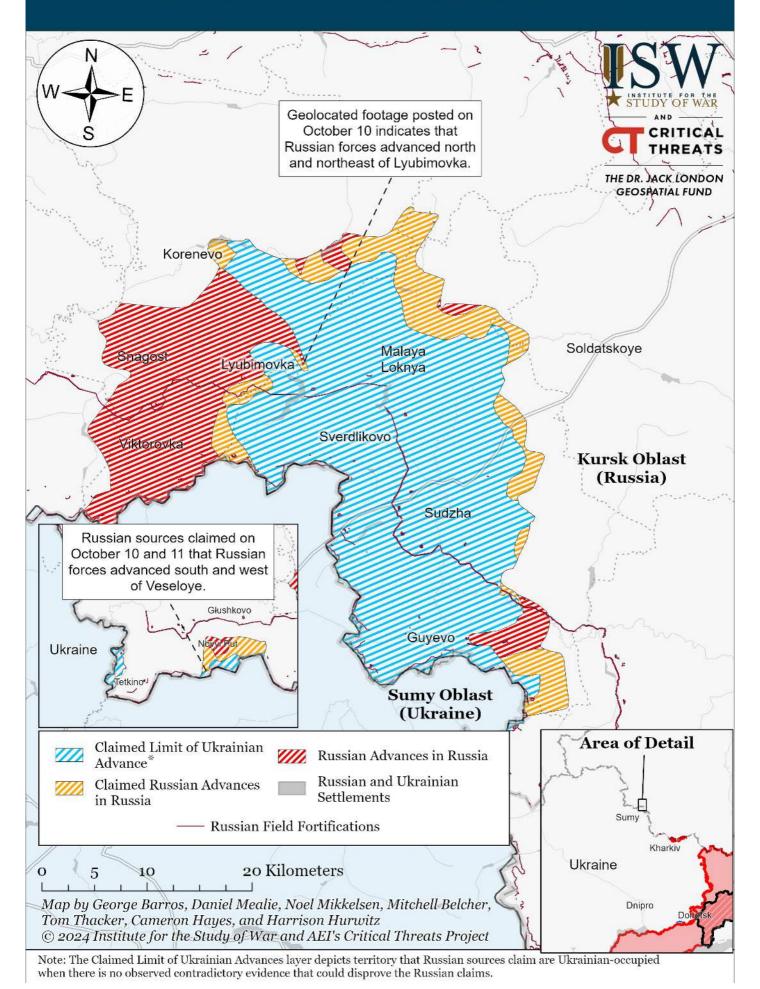
Ukrainian Incursion into Kursk Oblast as of October 11, 2024, 3:00 PM ET





Russian Offensive Campaign Assessment

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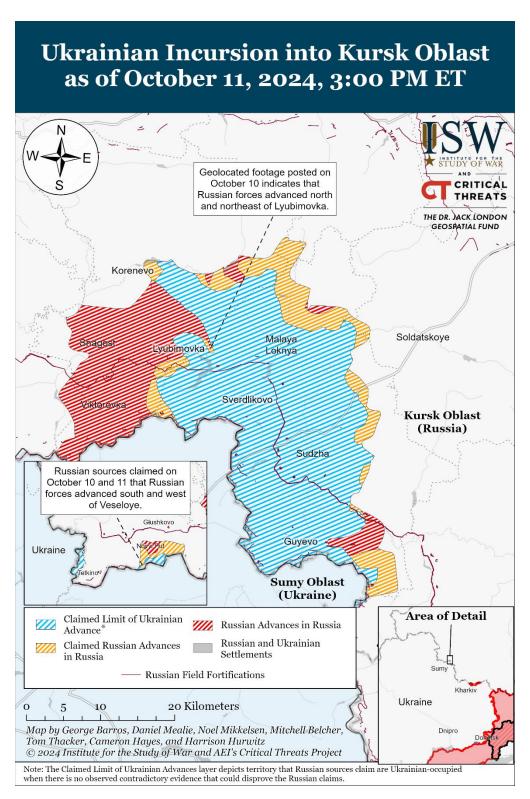
Russian forces intensified their ongoing effort to dislodge Ukrainian forces from Kursk Oblast around the evening of October 10 and have recently advanced further into the main Ukrainian salient in Kursk Oblast while reportedly eliminating almost the entirety of the smaller Ukrainian salient in Glushkovsky Raion. Russian forces reportedly simultaneously intensified counterattacks in Glushkovsky Raion, on the left flank of the main Ukrainian salient in Korenevsky Raion, and on the right flank of the main Ukrainian salient in Sudzhansky Raion on the evening of October 10.[1] Geolocated footage published on October 10 indicates that Russian forces recently advanced into central Kremyanoye (east of Korenevo) and to the northern outskirts of Zeleny Shlyakh (southeast of Korenevo) and enveloped Ukrainian positions near Lyubimovka (southeast of Korenevo).[2] Russian milbloggers claimed that Russian forces operating in Korenevsky Raion seized Olgovka (east of Korenevo) and Nizhny Klin (southeast of Korenevo and Lyubimovka), advanced up the outskirts of Tolsty Lug and Novoivanovka (both southeast of Korenevo), and broke through Ukrainian defenses near Lyubimovka during an alleged battalion-sized mechanized assault.[3]

ISW has yet to observe confirmation that Russian forces recently conducted a battalion-sized mechanized assault in the area or recaptured any settlements. Russian milbloggers widely claimed that Russian forces enveloped Ukrainian forces in Lyubimovka and Tolsty Lug, although some milbloggers claimed that Russian forces have encircled up to two Ukrainian battalions in Korenevsky Raion.[4] ISW

has not observed confirmation that Russian forces have encircled any Ukrainian units in Kursk Oblast, however. Elements of the Russian 155th Naval Infantry Brigade (Pacific Fleet, Eastern Military District [EMD]) and 810th Naval Infantry Brigade (Black Sea Fleet, Southern Military District [SMD]) are reportedly conducting these intensified counterattacks in Korenevsky Raion.[5]

Russian milbloggers claimed that Russian forces operating in Sudzhansky Raion broke through Ukrainian defenses near Martynovka and Mykhailivka (both northeast of Sudzha), advanced two kilometers deep north of Malaya Loknya (north of Sudzha), and are enveloping Ukrainian positions near Plekhovo (southeast of Sudzha).[6] A Russian milblogger claimed that elements of the 155th Naval Infantry Brigade advanced up to the northwestern outskirts of Sudzha, although a prominent Kremlinaffiliated milblogger repeatedly denied these reports.[7] ISW has not observed any visual confirmation of Russian advances in Sudzhansky Raion since the start of intensified Russian counterattacks in the area on the evening of October 10. Elements of the 810th Naval Infantry Brigade, 40th Naval Infantry Brigade (Pacific Fleet, EMD), 11th Airborne (VDV) Brigade, 1220th Motorized Rifle Regiment (likely a mobilized unit), and unspecified Chechen Akhmat units are reportedly conducting the intensified counterattacks in Sudzhansky Raion.[8]

Russian milbloggers claimed that Russian forces pushed Ukrainian forces out of most of Glushkovksy Raion on October 10 and 11, although ISW has yet to observe visual confirmation of these alleged Russian advances. Russian milbloggers claimed that Russian forces operating south of Glushkovo pushed Ukrainian forces back from Veseloye, advanced near Medvezhye, and approached the international border with Sumy Oblast.[9] Russian milbloggers claimed that Ukrainian forces only retain limited positions near Krasnooktyabrskoye and on the outskirts of Novy Put (both south of Glushkovo and immediately on the border with Sumy Oblast) and declared the Ukrainian offensive effort in Glushkovsky Raion a failure.[10] Ukrainian forces began ground assaults into Glushkovsky Raion on September 11, 2024, following the start of Russian counterattacks in Kursk Oblast on September 10, 2024, but have not yet established a significant foothold in the area.[11] Elements of the Russian 155th Naval Infantry Brigade, 1434th Akhmat "Chechnya" Regiment, 56th VDV Regiment (7th VDV Division), 83rd VDV Brigade, and 106th VDV Division are reportedly conducting intensified counterattacks in Glushkovsky Raion.[12]



Intensified Russian counterattacks likely aim to push Ukrainian forces out of Kursk Oblast before poor weather conditions in Fall 2024 and early Winter 2024-2025 begin to constrain battlefield maneuver. Ukrainian officials have previously noted that Russian forces are intensifying offensive operations in Ukraine, particularly mechanized offensive operations, to take

advantage of dry road and terrain conditions before rainy seasonal weather causes muddy ground conditions.[13] It is likely that this Russian operational calculus also extends to the Russian effort to recapture all of Kursk Oblast, where several Russian sources have reported the start of limited muddy terrain conditions as of October 11.[14] The Russian military command may be concerned that the poor weather conditions in Fall 2024 and early Winter 2024-2025 will encourage positional fighting in Kursk Oblast and afford Ukrainian forces more time to entrench themselves in their main salient and fortify existing positions. Better-entrenched Ukrainian forces with more extensive fortifications in Kursk Oblast will likely further complicate Russian efforts to push Ukrainian forces back across the border. Russian forces may perceive a closing window of opportunity to eliminate the Ukrainian incursion into Kursk Oblast with the current level of manpower and materiel that the Russian military has allocated to the effort. Ukrainian Commander-in-Chief General Oleksandr Syrskyi stated in a documentary published on October 10 that Russian forces have redeployed roughly 50,000 personnel from other operational directions to Kursk Oblast since the start of the incursion on August 6, 2024, and the Russian military likely aims to avoid committing more manpower to the area in the event that the Ukrainian presence persists into 2025.[15] Such redeployments have likely degraded the readiness of Russian operational groups in Kherson, Zaporizhia, and Kharkiv oblasts.

The Russian military command likely aims to rapidly push Ukrainian forces out of Kursk Oblast in order to free up combat power for its priority offensive operations in Donetsk Oblast and to ease the theater-wide operational pressures that the Ukrainian incursion has generated. Russian units redeployed from elsewhere in the theater to Kursk Oblast- many of which are VDV elements that the Russian military has routinely used to rapidly reinforce priority operational efforts — could have served as reinforcements for the Russian military's priority offensive operations in the Pokrovsk direction and western Donetsk Oblast.[16] The Russian military has instead relied on the operational reserves it established ahead of its Summer 2024 offensive operation to sustain its offensive tempo in Donetsk Oblast, and the exhaustion of these operational reserves will contribute to the likely culmination of the Russian Summer 2024 offensive operation in the coming months.[17] The Russian military command likely hopes that by rapidly eliminating the Ukrainian incursion in Kursk Oblast it can redeploy forces from Kursk Oblast to Donetsk Oblast and stave off culmination before it can achieve its operational objectives of seizing Pokrovsk and eliminating the wider Ukrainian salient in western Donetsk Oblast.[18] Russian forces have yet to make rapid gains in Kursk Oblast since starting counterattacks on September 10, however, and intensified counterattacks threaten to exhaust and degrade the very combat power that the Russian military hopes to recommit to the priority offensive operations in Donetsk Oblast.

South Korean and Ukrainian officials reportedly continue to identify North Korean military personnel already fighting in Ukraine as well as training in Russia for possible future deployments alongside the Russian military. The Washington Post reported on October 11 that South Korean and Ukrainian officials stated that North Korean soldiers are operating alongside Russian forces in Ukraine.[19] A Ukrainian military intelligence official reportedly stated that individual North Korean officers are observing Russian forces and studying the battlefield in Russian-occupied areas of Ukraine, but that Ukraine has not yet observed North Korean units operating in Ukraine. The Ukrainian official reportedly added that "several thousand" North Korean infantry personnel are training within Russia and that the Russian military command could deploy them to the frontline in Ukraine by the end of 2024 or to Russian border areas to free up Russian "reserves" to fight

within Ukraine. South Korean and Ukrainian officials have recently reported that North Korean military personnel are likely operating in occupied Donetsk Oblast, and a recent Ukrainian missile strike near occupied Donetsk City reportedly killed several North Korean military officials.[20] The extent of the North Korean force grouping that Russia could deploy to the frontline or that could free up Russian forces along the border is unclear, but these scenarios may also aid Russian efforts to commit additional manpower to priority offensive operations in Ukraine and prolong the culmination of the Russian Summer 2024 offensive operation. North Korean troop deployments to Ukraine could also create opportunities for Ukrainian exploitation, depending on the quality, force structure, arrayment, and interoperability of North Korean forces.

Western partners continue to announce and provide new military assistance to Ukraine.

The Norwegian government announced on October 11 that Norway will allocate 967 million Norwegian kroner (about \$90 million) for projects aimed at increasing Norway's defense capacity, including to produce defense materiel for Ukraine.[21] German Chancellor Olaf Scholz announced on October 11 that Germany, along with Belgium, Denmark, and Norway, will allocate 1.4 billion euros (about \$1.5 billion) in military aid to Ukraine by the end of 2024 which will include the transfer of IRIS-T and Skynex air defense systems as well as Gepard self-propelled anti-aircraft guns, self-propelled artillery guns, armored vehicles, combat drones, radars, and artillery ammunition.[22] Czech Prime Minister Petr Fiala announced that Ukraine will receive approximately 500 thousand 155-mm artillery ammunition as a part of the Czech Initiative by the end of 2024 while stressing that the program may expand with participation from other donor countries.[23] French outlet *Avionlegendaires* reported on October 9 that France will deliver between 12 and 20 Dassault Mirage 2000-F5 fighter jets to Ukraine in early 2025 following French Defense Minister Sebastien Lecornu's announcement that France would

send an unspecified number of the fighter jets to Ukraine in the first quarter of 2025.[24] Ukrainian Defense Minister Rustem Umerov announced on October 11 that he met with Italian Defense Minister Guido Crosetto and discussed the possibility of increasing Italian investment in the Ukrainian defense industrial base (DIB).[25] Umerov also noted the potential creation of joint Ukrainian-Italian defense

enterprises given Ukraine's strong industrial capacity.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky continues diplomatic efforts to establish and clarify Ukraine's strategic vision for peace. Zelensky denied on October 10 claims that he discussed with Western allies Ukraine's readiness for a ceasefire along the current frontline and territorial concessions to Russia in exchange for U.S. security guarantees and accelerated EU membership.[26] The Ukrainian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) announced on October 10 that it refutes allegations voiced in foreign media about Ukraine's alleged readiness to make concessions to Russia at the expense of its own sovereignty and territorial integrity, emphasizing the inadmissibility of such Ukrainian concessions.[27] The MFA noted that the only realistic approach to just and sustainable peace in Ukraine is Ukraine's proposed Peace Formula based on principles of the UN Charter and full restoration of Ukraine's territorial integrity. Zelensky stated during a meeting with Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni on October 11 that Ukraine aims to create the necessary and fair conditions for honest diplomacy regarding achieving lasting peace in Ukraine. Meloni noted that peace in Ukraine cannot mean surrender and that Italy will support Ukraine in establishing conditions conducive to principled peace negotiations.

Chechen Republic Head Ramzan Kadyrov declared a "blood feud" against Russian legislators, suggesting that Kadyrov is becoming increasingly emboldened in his personal political disputes. Kadyrov declared a blood feud on October 10 against Republic of Dagestan Senator Suleiman Kerminov and State Duma Deputies Bekkhan Barakhoyev and Rizvan Kurbanov, claiming that they "seized" Russia's largest online retailer Wildberries from the company's co-founder Vladislav Bakalchuk and were plotting to assassinate Kadyrov.[28] Vladislav Bakalchuk, who co-founded Wildberries with his ex-wife and current Wildberries CEO Tatyana Bakalchuk, led 20 to 30 armed accomplices on simultaneous assaults of two Wildberries offices in Moscow City in September 2024.[29] Vladislav previously appealed to Kadyrov to help prevent Tatyana from taking over the company and claimed days before the September armed assaults that Kadyrov saved his life and kept him out of prison.[30] Kadyrov notably announced the blood feud in a video in the Chechen language on his Telegram channel but did not mention the feud specifically in the accompanying Russian text, likely in an attempt to prevent its reporting in Russian media.[31] Kadyrov has previously rhetorically attacked Kremlin officials, speaking out against Russian Investigative Committee Head Alexander Bastrykin's June 2024 statements about religious extremism in Russia.[32] It is unclear if Russian President Vladimir Putin will respond to Kadyrov's announcement of the blood feud, as Putin has supported Kadyrov's rule over Chechnya but has consistently attempted to posture Russia as a harmonious multi-ethnic and multi-religious society.[33]

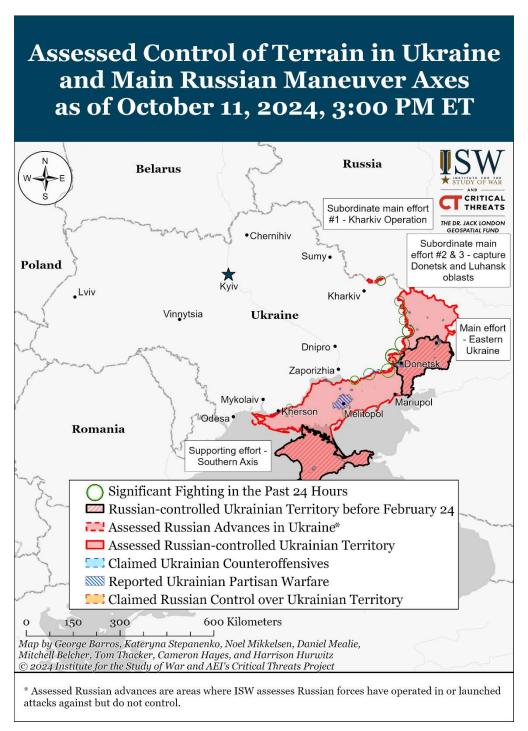
Ukrainian officials confirmed that Ukrainian journalist Viktoriya Roshchyna died in Russian captivity. The Ukrainian Humanitarian and Information Policy Committee confirmed on October 10 that Roshchyna died in Russian captivity but that the circumstances surrounding her death are unknown.[34] The Ukrainian Prosecutor General's Office stated that it upgraded the case surrounding Roshchyna's death to a war crime and intentional murder.[35] Ukraine's Main Military Intelligence Directorate (GUR) Spokesperson Andriy Yusov stated on October 10 that Roshchyna was included on a list of prisoners that Ukraine and Russia were to exchange in the near future.[36] Roshchyna disappeared in occupied Ukraine in early August 2023, and the Russian Ministry of Defense (MoD) reportedly sent a letter to Roshchyna's family on October 10 stating that she had died on September 19.[37] The Ukrainian Ministry of Reintegration of Temporarily Occupied Territories stated that there were 4,337 Ukrainians in Russian captivity as of November 2023, including 763 civilians.[38] These numbers, which rely on data from the Red Cross may be even higher as the Red Cross does not always have access to places where Russian authorities hold Ukrainian civilians, including detention centers and penal colonies in occupied territories.

Ukrainian officials announced new appointments in the Ministry of Defense (MoD). Ukrainian Defense Minister Rustem Umerov announced on October 11 the appointment of Serhiy Boyev to the post of Deputy Defense Minister for European Integration and Serhii Melnyk as the Deputy responsible for education, medicine, humanitarian support, and human capital policy.[39] Umerov also noted the creation of supervisory boards for the Defense Procurement Agency and the State Logistics Operator.

Key Takeaways:

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- The Kremlin is deceptively recruiting young African women to assemble Iraniandesigned Shahed drones in the Republic of Tatarstan, likely to address labor shortages in Russia.



We do not report in detail on Russian war crimes because these activities are well-covered in Western media and do not directly affect the military operations we are assessing and forecasting. We will continue to evaluate and report on the effects of these criminal activities on the Ukrainian military and the Ukrainian population and specifically on combat in Ukrainian urban areas. We utterly condemn Russian violations of the laws of armed conflict and the Geneva Conventions and crimes against humanity even though we do not describe them in these reports.

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- Russian Subordinate Main Effort #3 Capture the entirety of Donetsk Oblast
- Russian Supporting Effort Southern Axis
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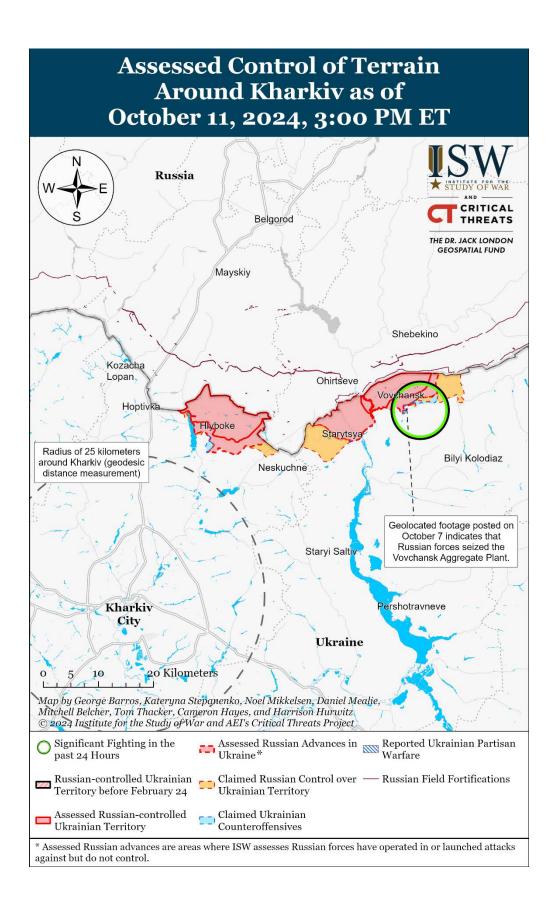
See topline text for details about Ukrainian and Russian operations in Kursk Oblast.

Satellite imagery collected on October 11 shows that Ukrainian forces significantly damaged a Russian storage facility near Oktyabrsky, Krasnodar Krai on the night of October 9 to 10.[40] The Ukrainian General Staff reported on October 9 that Ukrainian naval forces and Ukraine's Security Service (SBU) struck a Russian Shahed drone storage facility near Oktyabrsky, Krasnodar Krai and that Russian forces stored around 400 Shahed drones at the facility.[41]

Russian Main Effort - Eastern Ukraine

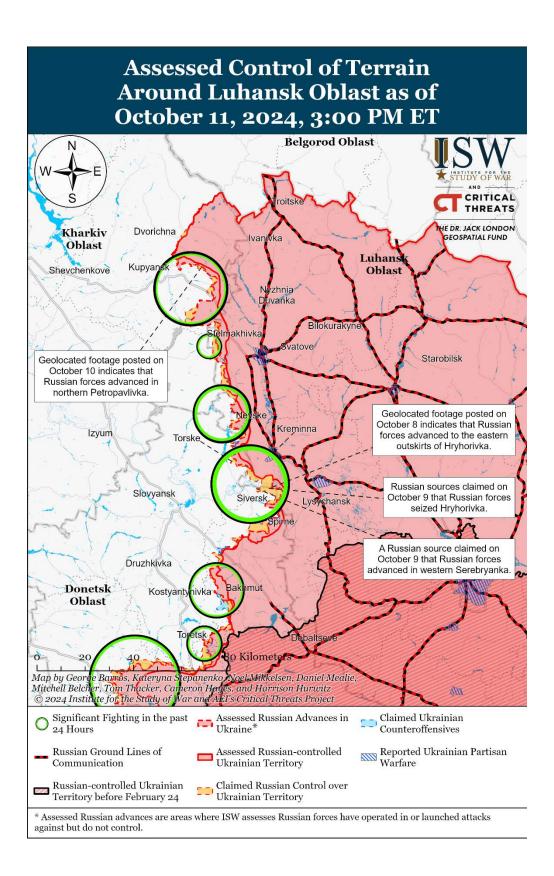
<u>Russian Subordinate Main Effort #1 – Kharkiv Oblast</u> (Russian objective: Push Ukrainian forces back from the international border with Belgorod Oblast and approach to within tube artillery range of Kharkiv City)

Russian forces continued offensive operations northeast of Kharkiv City near Vovchansk, Starytsya, and Tykhe on October 10 and 11, but there were no confirmed changes to the frontline.[42] The Ukrainian General Staff reported on October 11 that Ukrainian forces recently shot down a Russian Mi-8 helicopter in the Kharkiv direction.[43]



<u>Russian Subordinate Main Effort #2 – Luhansk Oblast</u> (Russian objective: Capture the remainder of Luhansk Oblast and push westward into eastern Kharkiv Oblast and northern Donetsk Oblast)

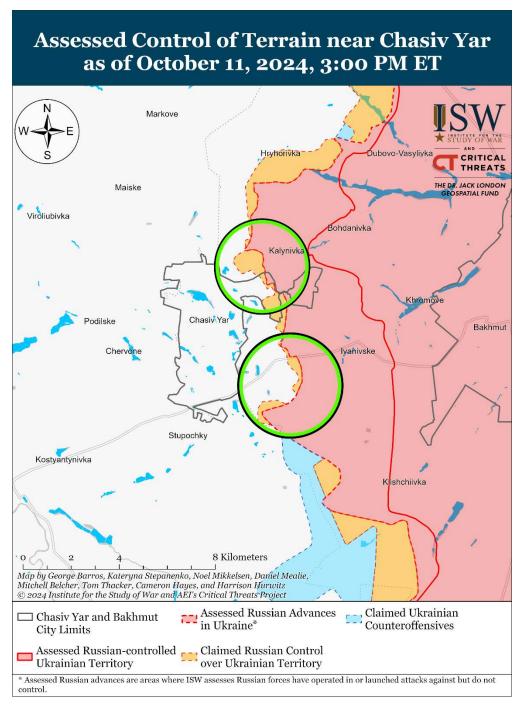
Russian forces continued assaults along the Kupyansk-Svatove-Kreminna line on October 11 but did not make confirmed territorial gains. Russian sources claimed that Russian forces seized Andriivka (west of Svatove) and advanced near Kyslivka (southeast of Kupyansk), and Nevske (northwest of Kreminna).[44] A Russian source claimed that elements of the 144th Guards Motorized Rifle Division (20th Guards Combined Arms Army [CAA], Moscow Military District [MMD]) advanced northwest of Kreminna near Novosadove.[45] ISW has not observed visual confirmation of these Russian claims, however. Russian forces continued assaults northeast of Kupyansk near Synkivka; east of Kupyansk near Petropavlivka; southeast of Kupyansk near Stepova Novoselivka, Kolisnykivka, Lozova, Stelmakhivka, and Pishchane; northwest of Kreminna near Hrekivka, Makiivka, Nevske, Novosadove, Ploshchanka, and Druzhelyubivka; west of Kreminna near Torske; and southwest of Kreminna near the Serebryanske forest area on October 10 and 11.[46]



<u>Russian Subordinate Main Effort #3 – Donetsk Oblast</u> (Russian objective: Capture the entirety of Donetsk Oblast, the claimed territory of Russia's proxies in Donbas)

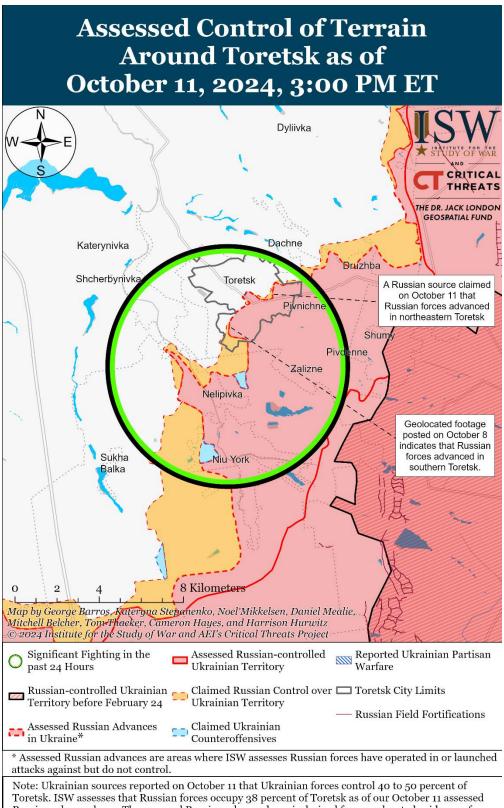
Russian forces continued offensive operations east of Siversk near Verkhnokamyanske on October 10 and 11, but there were no confirmed changes to the frontline.[47] Elements of the Russian 2nd Artillery Brigade (3rd Combined Arms Army [CAA], formerly 2nd Luhansk People's Republic [LNR] Army Corps [AC]) are reportedly operating near Siversk.[48]

Russian forces continued offensive operations near Chasiv Yar on October 11, but there were no confirmed changes to the frontline. The Ukrainian General Staff reported that Russian forces conducted offensive operations north of Chasiv Yar near Kalynivka and Orikhovo-Vasylivka; near Chasiv Yar itself; east of Chasiv Yar near Ivanivske; and south of Chasiv Yar towards Stupochky on October 10 and 11.[49] Ukrainian "Luhansk" Group of Forces Spokesperson Anastasia Bobovnikova stated on October 11 that Russian forces have decreased the tempo of their assaults near Chasiv Yar but are transferring reinforcements to the area, suggesting that Russian forces are preparing to increase offensive pressure in the area.[50] Russian security forces claimed to Kremlin newswire *TASS* that Ukrainian forces have withdrawn from positions on the western outskirts of Chasiv Yar, and Head of the "Melodiya" Intelligence Center of the 88th "Hispaniola" Volunteer Brigade (Russian Volunteer Corps) claimed that there is heavy fighting in Zhovtnevyi Microraion (eastern Chasiv Yar), where Russian forces are trying to cut off Ukrainian ground lines of communication (GLOCs).[51]



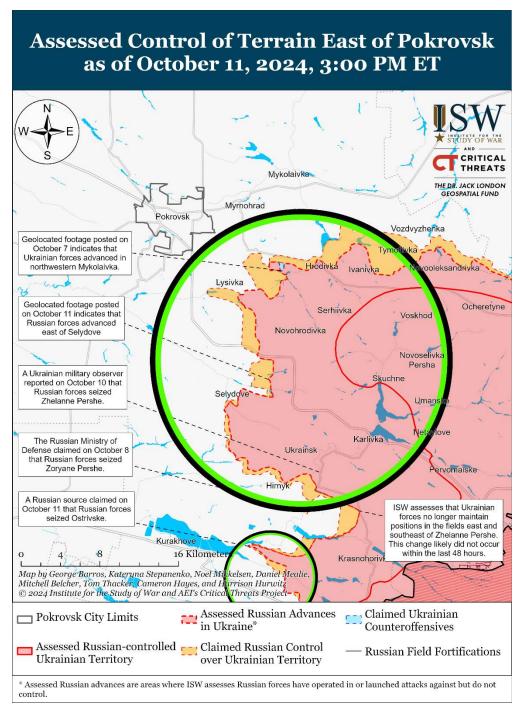
Russian forces continued offensive operations in the Toretsk direction on October 11, and Ukrainian officials acknowledged that Russian forces have seized about half of Toretsk, though ISW is unable to confirm changes to the frontline. Russian forces conducted offensive operations near Toretsk; west of Toretsk near Shcherbynivka; and south of Toretsk near Niu York on October 10 and 11.[52] Russian milbloggers claimed that Russian forces advanced 1.5 kilometers to the Toretsk Mine waste heap in western Toretsk, 500 meters north of the waste heap, within northeastern Toretsk, and 750 meters north of Niu York (south of Toretsk).[53] ISW has not observed confirmation of these claims, however. Ukrainian Toretsk Military Administration Head Vasily Chinchik stated that Russian forces control 50

to 60 percent of Toretsk and that Russian forces are trying to rapidly seize the settlement.[54] Available visual evidence confirms that Russian forces occupy 38 percent of Toretsk, though Russian forces likely occupy more than what ISW can confirm from open sources at this time. Bobovnikova stated that Russian forces advanced near Tsentralna Street within Toretsk and that Russian forces are suffering significant losses in the Toretsk direction but are replenishing personnel at forward positions.[55] Bobovnikova stated that most of the Russian personnel near Toretsk are contract servicemembers (*kontrakniki*) in motorized rifle brigades but that airborne (VDV) and special forces are also operating in the area.[56] Bobovnikova stated that Russian forces are first conducting artillery strikes to destroy Ukrainian fortifications and buildings to prevent Ukrainian cover and concealment and then searching for weak areas in Ukrainian defenses and conducting assaults in small groups.[57]



Toretsk. ISW assesses that Russian forces occupy 38 percent of Toretsk as of our October 11 assessed Russian advance layer. The assessed Russian advance layer is derived from geolocated evidence of Russian forces operating in Ukraine. Ukrainian sources may have excluded grey-zones or disputed territory from their estimation.

Ukrainian and Russian forces recently advanced southeast of Pokrovsk amid continued Russian offensive operations in the area on October 11. Geolocated footage published on October 11 shows Ukrainian forces clearing Russian positions in a forested area north of Novohrodivka (southeast of Pokrovsk), indicating that Russian forces advanced in the area at a prior date but that Ukrainian forces recently pushed Russian forces out of the area.[58] Additional geolocated footage published on October 10 indicates that Russian forces recently advanced to a concrete plant east of Selydove (southeast of Pokrovsk).[59] Russian milbloggers claimed that Russian forces gained a foothold close to the railway near Tsukuryne (southeast of Pokrovsk and south of Selydove) and in eastern Lysivka (southeast of Pokrovsk and west of Novohrodivka).[60] A Russian source claimed that Russian forces are approaching the Co50951 Seldyove-Novodmytrivka road and that Russian forces have already blocked two of the five roads out of Selydove.[61] Russian forces conducted offensive operations east of Pokrovsk near Myrolyubivka, Myrnohrad, Promin, and Kalynove and southeast of Pokrovsk near Lysivka, Selydove, Krutyi Yar, Tsukuryne, and Novoselydivka on October 10 and 11.[62] Elements of the Russian "Black Knives Division" and "Somali" Battalion of the 9th Motorized Rifle Brigade (51st CAA, Southern Military District [SMD]) are reportedly operating in the Pokrovsk direction.[63]

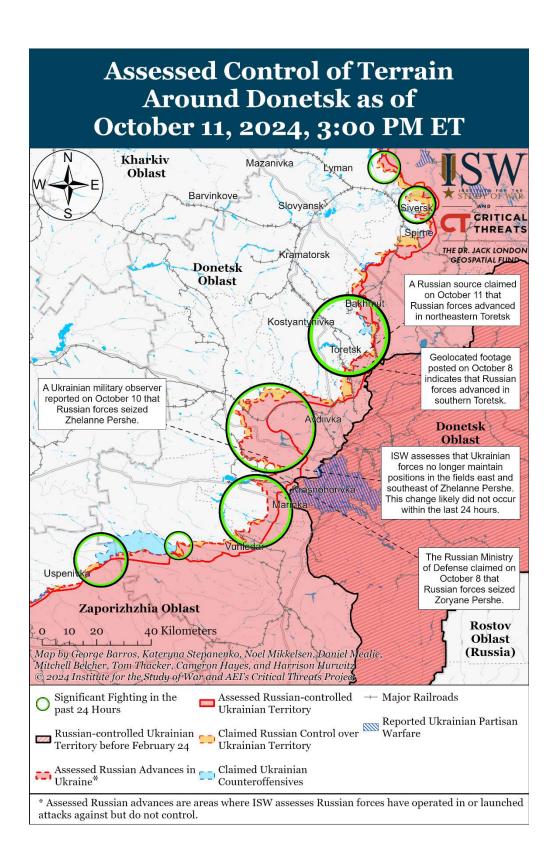


Russian forces recently advanced east of Kurakhove amid continued Russian offensive operations in the area on October 11. Geolocated footage published on October 7 indicates that Russian forces recently advanced into western Ostrivske (east of Kurakhove) during a company-sized mechanized assault.[64] Russian sources, including the Russian Ministry of Defense (MoD), claimed on October 11 that Russian forces completely seized Ostrivske and are roughly a kilometer from Kurakhove, although ISW has not observed visual confirmation of these claims.[65] Russian forces continued offensive operations east of Kurakhove near Heorhiivka and Maksymilyanivka on October 10 and 11.[66] The commander of a Ukrainian brigade operating in the Kurakhove direction stated that Russian forces have intensified

mechanized assaults in the area in the past month, and ISW has observed a relatively high tempo of mechanized Russian assaults in western Donetsk Oblast since late July 2024.[67] The Ukrainian commander stated that Russian forces typically conduct mechanized assaults in columns comprised of some combination of tanks, MT-LBs, and armored personnel carriers (APCs) and that Russian mechanized assaults continue to result in high armored vehicle losses.[68] The Ukrainian commander stated that Russian forces have strong electronic warfare (EW) systems in the Kurakhove direction and will deploy EW systems with armored vehicles in the middle of a mechanized column.[69]

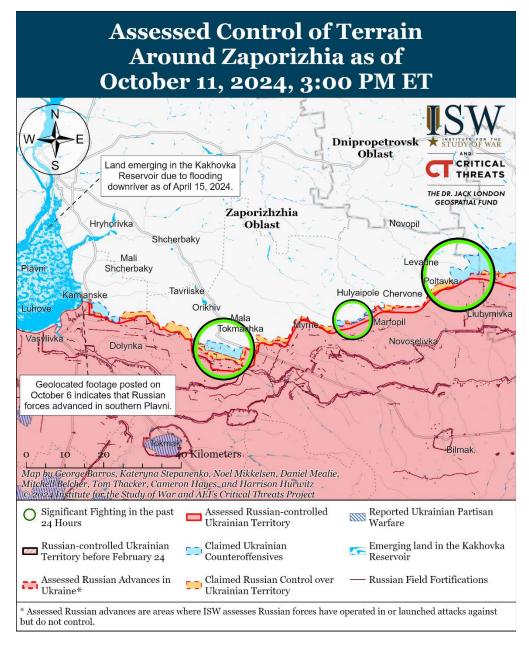
Russian forces continued offensive operations southwest of Donetsk City on October 11 but did not make any confirmed gains. Russian forces continued offensive operations near Kostyantynivka, Katerynivka, Antonivka, Bohoyavlenka, and Zolota Nyva on October 10 and 11.[70] Elements of the Russian 238th Artillery Brigade (8th CAA, Southern Military District [SMD]) and the 39th Motorized Rifle Brigade (68th AC, Eastern Military District [EMD]) are reportedly operating near Katerynivka, elements of the 14th Spetsnaz Brigade (Special Forces of the Main Directorate of the General Staff of the Russian Armed Forces [GRU]) are reportedly operating in the direction of Kostyantynipilske, and elements of the "Baikal" detachment of the 40th Naval Infantry Brigade (Pacific Fleet, EMD) are reportedly operating near Zolota Nyva.[71]

Russian forces conducted ground attacks in the Donetsk-Zaporizhia Oblast border area southwest of Velyka Novosilka near Rivnopil, Novodarivka, Levadne, and Olhivske on October 11.[72]

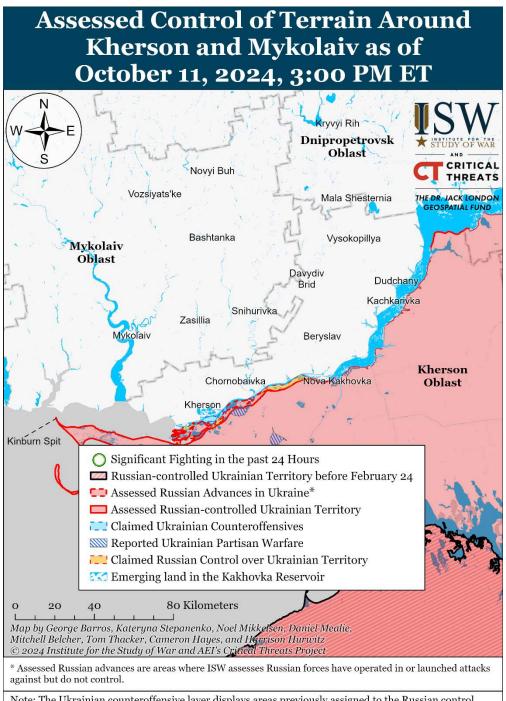


<u>Russian Supporting Effort – Southern Axis</u> (Russian objective: Maintain frontline positions and secure rear areas against Ukrainian strikes)

Russian forces continued offensive operations in western Zaporizhia Oblast, including near Robotyne and northeast of Robotyne near Mala Tokmachka on October 11 but did not make any confirmed advances.[73] A Russian milblogger claimed that Ukrainian forces conducted an unsuccessful counterattack near Kamyanske (south of Stepnohirsk) on October 10.[74] Elements of the Russian 70th Motorized Rifle Regiment (42nd Motorized Rifle Division, 58th Combined Arms Army [CAA], Southern Military District [SMD]) are reportedly operating near Robotyne.[75] Elements of the Russian 11th Air Force and Air Defense Army (Russian Aerospace Forces [VKS] and Eastern Military District [EMD]) and Russian 38th Motorized Rifle Brigade (38th CAA, EMD) are reportedly operating near Kopani (northwest of Robotyne).[76]



Russian forces continued assaults in the Kherson direction on October 11, but there were no changes to the frontline. Elements of the Russian BARS-33 Detachment (Russian Combat Army Reserve) reportedly continue to operate in the Kherson direction.[77]



Note: The Ukrainian counteroffensive layer displays areas previously assigned to the Russian control, Russian advances, or Russian claims layers where ISW now assesses that Ukrainian forces have established a presence beyond a short-term raid. Inclusion of an area on this layer does not imply that ISW assesses that the area is part of any upcoming Ukrainian counteroffensive operation.

<u>Russian Air, Missile, and Drone Campaign</u> (Russian Objective: Target Ukrainian military and civilian infrastructure in the rear and on the frontline)

Russian forces conducted a series of missile and drone strikes against Ukraine during the day on October 10 and on the night of October 10 to 11. The Ukrainian Air Force reported that Russian forces launched an Iskander-M ballistic missile from occupied Crimea; a Kh-31P air-guided missile from airspace over the Black Sea; and 66 strike drones from Kursk Oblast.[78] The Ukrainian Air Force reported that Ukrainian forces shot down 29 drones over Kyiv, Cherkasy, Vinnytsia, Sumy, Poltava, Dnipropetrovsk, Kharkiv, Chernihiv, and Zhytomyr oblasts.[79] The Ukrainian Air Force added that 31 drones were "lost" over Ukraine possibly as a result of Ukrainian electronic warfare efforts, two drones returned to Russia, and four drones remained in the Ukrainian airspace as of 1100 local time.[80] Mykolaiv Oblast Administration Head Vitaliy Kim reported on October 11 that Russian forces struck a critical infrastructure facility in Mykolaiv City with an unspecified number of unspecified ballistic missiles on October 10, and a Russian milblogger claimed that two Russian Iskander-M missiles struck a ship-building facility in Mykolaiv City.[81]

Russian missile strikes against Ukrainian port infrastructure on October 10 are reportedly increasing shipping insurance rates, and Russian forces likely view such impacts as a means to constrain maritime traffic to Ukrainian ports through the Black Sea.[82] Bloomberg reported on October 10, citing two people involved in the ship insurance market, that insurance coverage rates surged to above one percent of the value of the ship from 0.75 percent last week (the week of September 29 to October 5) likely due to the recent increase in Russian missile strikes against Ukrainian port infrastructure and commercial vessels.[83] Ukrainian officials told *Bloomberg* that Russian forces struck three vessels with missiles within four days – a container vessel with humanitarian cargo on October 9 and two ships loaded with grain on October 6 and 7.[84] A Kremlin-affiliated milblogger commented on the *Bloomberg* report by claiming that Russian strikes against ships entering the Odesa City port could decrease Ukrainian maritime traffic in the Black Sea and accomplish the Russian objective of imposing a blockade on Ukrainian ports, which the Russian Black Sea Fleet (BSF) was unable to accomplish due to successful Ukrainian strikes against Russian naval assets.[85] ISW previously assessed that Russian forces launched the missile and drone strike campaign against Ukrainian port infrastructure in Summer and Fall 2023 to impose a de facto blockade on Ukrainian maritime activity in the Black Sea but failed to do so after Ukrainian forces launched a preemptive strike campaign against Russian BSF assets in occupied Crimea and the Black Sea.[86]

Former Ukrainian Air Force spokesperson Colonel Yuriy Ihnat reported on October 10 that Russian forces damaged Western-provided Patriot air defense systems in Dnipropetrovsk Oblast during a ballistic missile strike on October 9.[87] Ihnat stated that Ukrainian Patriot systems repelled half of the Russian ballistic missiles launched at Dnipropetrovsk Oblast on October 9 and that Ukrainian Patriot systems remain primary targets for Russian forces because of their effectiveness in denying Russian frontline aviation operations.[88] Russian sources claimed that a Russian Iskander-M missile struck a Ukrainian Patriot system to the southwest of Dnipro City near Pashena Balka, Dnipropetrovsk Oblast on October 9.[89]

<u>Russian Mobilization and Force Generation Efforts</u> (Russian objective: Expand combat power without conducting general mobilization)

The Kremlin is deceptively recruiting young African women to assemble Iranian-designed Shahed drones in the Republic of Tatarstan, likely to address labor shortages in Russia. The Associated Press (AP), citing interviews with a half-dozen African women, reported that the Kremlin used social media ads promising free plane tickets, money, and participation in a work-study program to lure about 200 18- to 22-year-old women from Uganda, Rwanda, Kenya, South Sudan, Sierra Leone, and Nigeria to work in Tatarstan.[90] AP reported that the Kremlin is also targeting young women in Asia and Latin America and has already recruited women from Sri Lanka. AP noted that inexperienced African women are working alongside Russian vocational students, some of whom are as young as 16, at a plant in Tatarstan's Alabuga Special Economic Zone.

Russian federal subjects continued to increase one-time enlistment bonuses aimed at incentivizing volunteer recruitment and avoiding the need to declare additional mobilization waves in Russia. Samara Oblast Governor Vyacheslav Fedorishchev signed a decree to increase one-time enlistment bonuses from the original 795,000 rubles (about \$8,300) to two million rubles (about \$20,880) starting October 16.[91] Samara Oblast previously announced an increase of enlistment bonuses to 1.2 million rubles (about \$12,580) starting August 1 and likely increased the bonus to incentivize volunteer recruitment. Ukraine's Main Military Intelligence Directorate (GUR) reported that Russian officials are increasing financial compensations to avoid announcing another mobilization wave and that mobilization would spark a series of protests in large Russian cities.[92] The GUR added that Kremlin social scientists spread rumors that Russia will announce another mobilization wave following municipal elections on September 8 in an effort to survey the reaction of Russian society to the prospect. The GUR assessed that the Russian public likely did not support the idea of another mobilization wave and that the sudden increases in financial compensations to volunteers indicate that Russian federal subjects are unable to effectively recruit personnel based on ideological motivation alone. The GUR reported that Russian officials assess that Russia will be able to replace their personnel losses via financially incentivized recruitment drives without declaring general mobilization at least until the end of 2024.

Russian municipal officials are also expanding financial incentives to migrants to support the Russian volunteer recruitment drive. The Yekaterinburg City Administration announced that the city would provide migrant families with 200,000 rubles (\$2,090) if their family member signs up to fight in Ukraine.[93] A Local Russian outlet reported that Yekaterinburg officials are no longer requiring migrants to have permanent residence in Yekaterinburg.

Russian federal officials continued efforts to appease Russian servicemen who have long complained about their inability to receive veteran statuses due to problems with Russian bureaucratic procedures. Kremlin-affiliated outlets reported that Russian Defense Minister Andrei Belousov introduced an initiative that will allow Russian servicemen to receive certificates confirming their veteran statuses electronically via the Russian State Services (Gosuslugi) portal or at any multifunctional centers for the provision of state and municipal services starting November 1, 2024.[94] Russian servicemen need veteran certificates to obtain financial compensation and state benefits.

The Russian MoD reportedly permitted Russian military registration officers in the Republic of Bashkortostan to conduct medical examinations of military personnel on sick leave and servicemen suspected or accused of crimes against the military at Russian military enlistment centers.[95] A Russian Telegram channel focusing on Russian military law obtained a document that indicates that servicemen on sick leave will no longer need to return to their military unit and wait for their commanders to approve their medical examination referrals in combat conditions.[96]

Russian President Vladimir Putin signed a decree on October 10 expanding the Russian MoD's powers by granting it the authority to organize and supervise industrial safety procedures at nuclear weapons development facilities.[97]

<u>Russian Technological Adaptations</u> (Russian objective: Introduce technological innovations to optimize systems for use in Ukraine)

Russian Defense Minister Andrei Belousov highlighted the development of Russian military drone technology and training on October 11. Belousov inspected the new Rubicon Center for Advanced Unmanned Technologies and held a meeting about the development of unmanned technologies within the Russian military.[98] Belousov ordered the Rubicon Center to form five detachments to operate in Ukraine and to train combat crew specialists and stated that military schools should introduce a "family of new military specialties" related to drones.[99] Belousov reportedly heard reports about the Rubicon Center's detachments already operating in the Donetsk, Belgorod, and Kursk directions.[100] The Russian Ministry of Defense (MoD) claimed that the center is focused on training drone specialists to become instructors for active military units, and a Russian insider source claimed that Russia will rely on volunteers who have independently developed mass drone training formats.[101] The center also reportedly develops and tests advanced robotic systems, studies drone operating conditions and artificial intelligence (AI), and works with the "people's defense industry." The Russian ultranationalist milblogger community recently expressed mass outrage after a Russian military commander disbanded a specialized drone unit and committed drone operators to frontal assaults in Donetsk Oblast, resulting in the operators' deaths.[102] Milbloggers complained about the Russian MoD investigation into the incident, claiming that the Russian MoD tried to downplay the issue, and Belousov may be highlighting the Russian MoD's focus on drone specialist training in response to this milblogger outcry.

Russian Navy Deputy Commander-in-Chief for Armament Vice-Admiral Igor Mukhametshin announced on October 11 that Russia released the "Yakutsk" large diesel-electric submarine of the *Project 636.3 Varshavyanka*-class series at the Admiralskiye Verfi (Admiralty Shipyards) shipbuilding enterprise.[103] Mukhametshin stated that the "Yakutsk" submarine is the sixth and last submarine developed as part of *Project 636.3* for the Pacific Fleet. Mukhametshin also noted that the *Varshavyanka*-class submarines are equipped with high-precision weapons.

Ukrainian sources stated on October 11 that Russian forces are retrofitting drones with radio communication suppression means to protect against Ukrainian first-person view (FPV) drones.[104] Ukrainian forces reportedly shot down a Russian reconnaissance drone with a Russian-made Zerkaltse compact electronic warfare (EW) device that scans video channels in flight, finds the video signal from a Ukrainian drone, and turns on a stronger interference on the same video frequency to disrupt the transmission of video back to Ukrainian operators.

A Russian milblogger group is reportedly developing surface drones built from electric hoverboard-type skateboards.[105] A Polish technology online outlet reported that the group is in the advanced development stage of creating four-wheeled robots made from converted two hoverboards and nicknamed "combat cockroaches" that purportedly have the ability to traverse various types of terrain, including tall grass.[106] The Polish outlet, citing the group, claimed that the hoverboards can lift up to 100 kilograms and travel at speeds of up to 12 kilometers per hour with a three-hour-long battery life. The hoverboards reportedly have a range of two kilometers.

<u>Ukrainian Defense Industrial Efforts</u> (Ukrainian objective: Develop its defense industrial base to become more self-sufficient in cooperation with US, European, and international partners)

ISW is suspending coverage of Ukrainian defense industrial efforts until further notice.

<u>Activities in Russian-occupied areas</u> (Russian objective: Consolidate administrative control of annexed areas; forcibly integrate Ukrainian citizens into Russian sociocultural, economic, military, and governance systems)

ISW is not reporting on activities in Russian-occupied areas today.

Russian Information Operations and Narratives

Russian President Vladimir Putin spoke at the "Interconnection of Times and Civilizations – the Basis of Peace and Development" international forum in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan on October 11 and postured Russia as a leader in the formation of a "new world order."[107] Putin claimed that economic and political "centers" are emerging "primarily" in the Global East and the Global South. Putin claimed that Russia is open to discussing the formation of a "new world order" with Russia's "friends, partners, and like-minded people," including within the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU), Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), and BRICS. Putin and other Kremlin officials have recently promoted Russia's proposed "Eurasian security architecture" and have advocated for its creation within these international organizations.[108] ISW previously assessed that Russia's proposal of a Eurasian security architecture is consistent with Russia's long-term strategic goal of disbanding Western unity, dismantling NATO from within, and destroying the current world order.[109]

<u>Significant activity in Belarus</u> (Russian efforts to increase its military presence in Belarus and further integrate Belarus into Russian-favorable frameworks and Wagner Group activity in Belarus)

Belarusian outlet *Zerkalo* reported on October 11 that the Belarusian Ministry of Information has updated its list of "extremist materials" to include a Telegram channel entitled "For the Union State of Belarus and Russia" which, as its title suggests, supports the integration of Belarus and Russia and reportedly has content with an anti-Belarusian orientation.[110] The Myadel District Court of Minsk Oblast previously recognized the materials of the Telegram channel as "extremist" on October 9.

Belarus continues to aid Russia in its systemic efforts to deport and re-educate Ukrainian children. Freedom House, in collaboration with Belarusian insider sources and human rights organizations, published a report in October 2024 that Belarusian officials have deported at least 2,219 Ukrainian

children from occupied Ukrainian territories to Belarus from 2021 to June 2024.[111] The report states that at least 27 Ukrainian children who were in Belarusian camps were later transported to camps in Russia and that Belarus hosts 18 confirmed re-education camps that are part of a broader network of 67 institutions in Russia and 13 in occupied Ukraine. The report also noted the militarization of Ukrainian children, aimed at preparing and recruiting children for future service in Russian military organizations, and the indoctrination of anti-Ukrainian sentiment during their time in Belarus.

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Russian Offensive Campaign Assessment

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Click <u>here</u> to see ISW's interactive map of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. This map is updated daily alongside the static maps present in this report.

Click here to see ISW's interactive map of Ukraine's offensive in Kursk Oblast.

Click <u>here</u> to see ISW's 3D control of terrain topographic map of Ukraine. Use of a computer (not a mobile device) is strongly recommended for using this data-heavy tool.

Click <u>here</u> to access ISW's archive of interactive time-lapse maps of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. These maps complement the static control-of-terrain map that ISW produces daily by showing a dynamic frontline. ISW will update this time-lapse map archive monthly.

Note: The data cut-off for this product was 10:00am ET on October 10. ISW will cover subsequent reports in the October 11 Russian Offensive Campaign Assessment.

Ukrainian forces reportedly struck a Shahed drone storage facility in Krasnodar Krai and an ammunition warehouse in the Republic of Adygea on October 9 and 10. The Ukrainian General Staff reported on October 9 that Ukrainian naval forces and Ukraine's Security Service (SBU) struck a Russian Shahed drone storage facility near Oktyabrsky, Krasnodar Krai and that Russian forces stored around 400 Shahed drones at the facility.[1] The Ukrainian General Staff reported that there were secondary detonations at the facility immediately following the strike, and footage published on October 10 shows a large fire and secondary detonations near the facility.[2] Krasnodar Krai officials stated on October 9 that Ukrainian drone strikes damaged several houses near Oktyabrsky and that unspecified warehouses in the area caught fire but claimed that the strike did not significantly damage the facilities.[3] The Ukrainian General Staff reported on October 10 that drone operators from the SBU, Ukraine's Main Military Intelligence Directorate (GUR), and Ukraine's Special Operations Forces (SSO) struck an ammunition warehouse at the Khanskaya Air Base in the Republic of Adygea.[4] The Ukrainian General Staff reported that Russian forces base Su-34 fighter-bombers and Su-27 fighter aircraft at the Khanskaya Air Base, and Ukrainian outlet Suspilne reported that sources within Ukrainian special services stated that there were 57 Russian training and combat aircraft and helicopters at the airfield at the time of the strike.[5] Suspilne's sources stated that Russian forces use the Khanskaya Air Base to refuel planes during air strikes against frontline Ukrainian units and settlements.[6] Ukrainian forces are still determining the extent of the strike's damage to the airfield, and it is unclear whether Ukrainian forces struck any Russian aircraft at the Khanskaya Air Base as of the time of this report.[7] Russian sources published footage on October 10 purportedly showing Ukrainian drones striking the airfield and noted that the Russian 272nd Training Aviation Base of the Krasnodar Higher Military Aviation School of Pilots is based at the Khanskaya Air Base.[8]

Russian forces rely on Shahed drones to strike both frontline and rear Ukrainian settlements and cities and expend roughly 10,000 artillery shells per day against frontline Ukrainian positions.[9] Ukrainian forces notably struck the Oktyabrskii and Toropets ammunition depots in Tver Oblast and the Tikhoretsk ammunition depot in Krasnodar Krai in September 2024 and a Russian missile and storage ammunition storage facility in Karachev, Bryansk Oblast on October 8, which resulted in the destruction of dozens of ammunition storage buildings, rail cars, and likely a significant amount of ammunition, missiles, and drones.[10] While the impact of a single strike is unlikely to significantly impact Russia's war effort, repeated strikes against ammunition depots within Russia may force a decision point on the Russian military command to reorganize and disperse support and logistics systems within Russia's rear areas to mitigate the impact of such strikes at the expense of massoptimized Russian logistics to support the war in Ukraine. The timely lifting of restrictions on the use of Western systems and the continued development of Ukraine's own long-range strike capabilities may allow Ukrainian forces to more effectively exploit such Russian vulnerabilities before Russia deploys countermeasures. Ukrainian strikes against facilities within Russia could impact offensive operations throughout the theater in Ukraine if Ukrainian forces have the materiel, capabilities, and permission to conduct such a strike campaign against logistics and support facilities within Russia at scale.

Russian forces have reportedly struck three civilian vessels docked in Ukrainian ports since October 5, likely as part of intensified Russian military, political, and economic pressure to undermine confidence in Ukraine's grain corridor, Western support for Ukraine, and push Ukraine into premature negotiations. Ukrainian Odesa Oblast Military Administration Head Oleh Kiper stated on October 9 that Russian ballistic missiles struck port infrastructure in Odesa Raion and that Russian missiles struck a civilian container ship under the flag of Panama.[11] Kiper noted that this was the third Russian strike on a civilian vessel in the last four days and stated that these strikes are an attempt to disrupt Ukraine's grain corridor, kill civilians, and destroy Ukrainian infrastructure. Ukrainian officials reported that a Russian ballistic missile struck a civilian vessel under the flag of Palau in Odesa's port on October 7 and that Russian missiles damaged a civilian cargo ship on the night of October 5 to 6 near Odesa City.[12] Russian sources have attempted to justify the recent Russian strikes against civilian ships by claiming that the ships were carrying weapons, but ISW has not observed independent confirmation of these claims.[13] Ukrainian officials reported that Russian forces conducted a cruise missile strike against a civilian cargo ship under the flag of St. Kitts and Nevis transporting Ukrainian wheat to Egypt as it was leaving Ukrainian territorial waters in the Black Sea on the night of September 11.[14] Russian forces have previously heavily targeted Ukrainian ports and grain infrastructure in southern Ukraine and have engaged in threatening military posturing in the Black Sea in an effort to damage Ukrainian grain exports and undermine international confidence in Ukraine's grain corridor.[15] Russian strikes against civilian vessels in the grain corridor are almost certainly intended to undermine confidence in Ukraine's ability to enforce and defend the corridor, influence ongoing Western discussions about long-term Western support for Ukraine, and negatively impact Ukraine's efforts to economically recover amid the ongoing war.

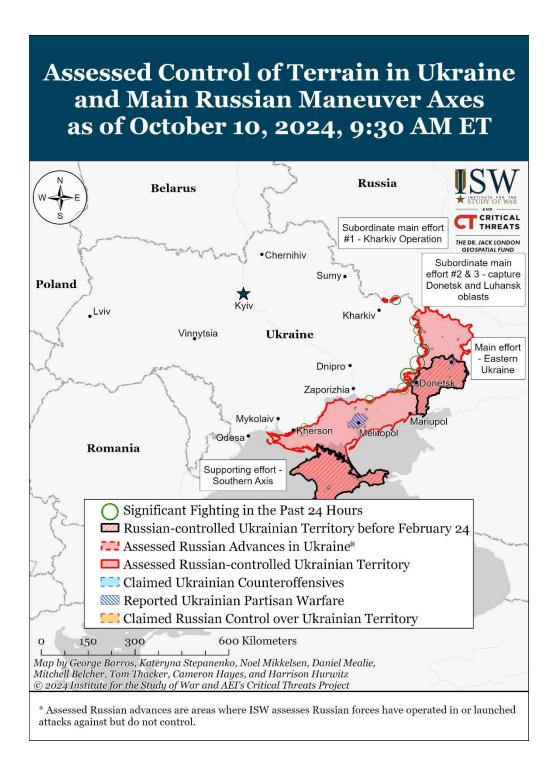
An unspecified senior US defense official stated on October 9 that Russian forces have suffered over 600,000 casualties since the start of the full-scale invasion in February 2022 - a stark increase from a prior US intelligence assessment that Russian forces suffered about 315,000 casualties in Ukraine as of December 2023.[16] The senior US defense official stated on October 9 that Russian forces have suffered more battlefield casualties in Ukraine in this past month – likely referring to early September through early October 2024 – than in any other month of the war.[17] US intelligence reportedly assessed as of December 2023 that the thenestimated 315,000 Russian casualties amounted to nearly 90 percent of Russia's military personnel at 2

the start of the invasion.[18] The UK Ministry of Defense (MoD) assessed in May 2024 that Russian forces have suffered over 465,000 casualties since February 2022 and that the Russian daily casualty rate starting in May 2024 was about 1,000 per day.[19]

An Iranian outlet affiliated with former Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) Commander Major General Mohsen Rezaei claimed on October 8 that Russia provided Iran with an S-400 air defense system and a squadron of Su-35 fighter jets but provided no evidence for this claim. NOTE: A version of this text appears in the October 9 ISW-CTP Iran Update. An Iranian outlet affiliated with former Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) Commander Major General Mohsen Rezaei claimed on October 8 that Russia provided Iran with an S-400 air defense system and a squadron of Su-35 fighter jets but provided no evidence for this claim. [20] ISW has not observed similar reports in prominent Western or Russian media, and ISW cannot independently verify this claim. ISW continues to assess that Russia could supply Iran with advanced military equipment in return for Iran's ongoing support for the Russian invasion of Ukraine. [21]

Key Takeaways:

- Ukrainian forces reportedly struck a Shahed drone storage facility in Krasnodar Krai and an ammunition warehouse in the Republic of Adygea on October 9 and 10.
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- Ukrainian forces recently advanced near Toretsk. Russian forces recently advanced in Kursk Oblast and near Chasiv Yar, southeast of Pokrovsk, and southwest of Donetsk City.
- The Russian military appears to be increasingly recruiting older Russian volunteers in order to sustain ongoing crypto-mobilization efforts.



We do not report in detail on Russian war crimes because these activities are well-covered in Western media and do not directly affect the military operations we are assessing and forecasting. We will continue to evaluate and report on the effects of these criminal activities on the Ukrainian military and the Ukrainian population and specifically on combat in Ukrainian urban areas. We utterly condemn Russian violations of the laws of armed conflict and the Geneva Conventions and crimes against humanity even though we do not describe them in these reports.

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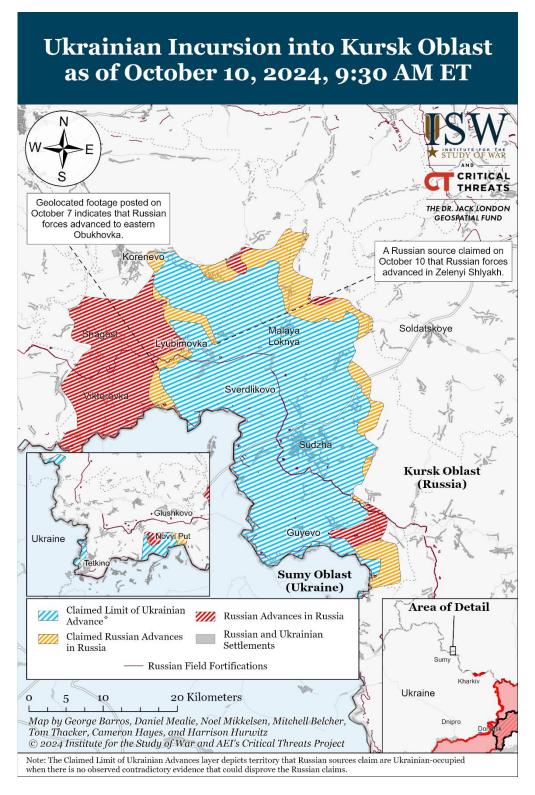
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- Russian Main Effort Eastern Ukraine (comprised of three subordinate main efforts)
- Russian Subordinate Main Effort #1 Push Ukrainian forces back from the international border with Belgorod Oblast and approach to within tube artillery range of Kharkiv City
- Russian Subordinate Main Effort #2 Capture the remainder of Luhansk Oblast and push westward into eastern Kharkiv Oblast and encircle northern Donetsk Oblast
- Russian Subordinate Main Effort #3 Capture the entirety of Donetsk Oblast
- Russian Supporting Effort Southern Axis
- Russian Air, Missile, and Drone Campaign
- Russian Mobilization and Force Generation Efforts
- Russian Technological Adaptations
- Activities in Russian-occupied areas
- Ukrainian Defense Industrial Base Efforts
- Russian Information Operations and Narratives
- Significant Activity in Belarus

<u>Ukrainian</u>	Operations	in	the	Russian	Federation

Ukrainian forces continued offensive operations in Glushkovsky Raion west of the main Ukrainian salient in Kursk Oblast on October 10 but did not make confirmed advances in the area. Russian sources claimed that elements of the Russian 106th Airborne (VDV) Division repelled a Ukrainian attack near Veseloye (south of Glushkovo).[22]

Ukrainian forces continued offensive operations in the main Ukrainian salient in Kursk Oblast southeast of Korenevo near Lyubimovka and east of Korenevo near Kamyshevka on October 10 but did not make confirmed advances in the area. [23]



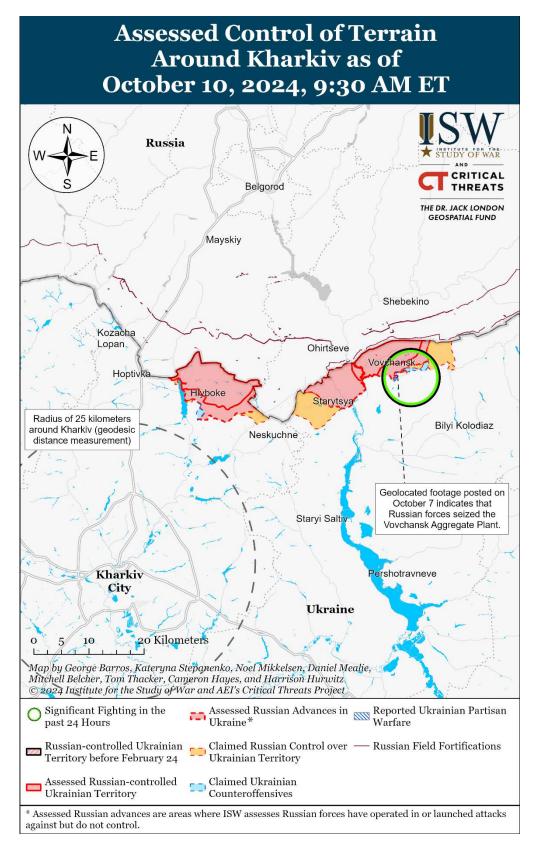
Russian forces recently advanced in the main Ukrainian salient in Kursk Oblast. Geolocated footage published on October 7 indicates that Russian forces recently marginally advanced in eastern Obukhovka (southeast of Korenevo).[24] The Russian Ministry of Defense (MoD) claimed that unspecified Russian VDV forces seized Pokrovskiy (south of Korenevo).[25] A Russian milblogger claimed that elements of the Russian 155th Naval Infantry Brigade (Pacific Fleet, Eastern Military District [EMD]) advanced into Zeleniy Shlyakh (southeast of Korenevo) and several Russian milbloggers claimed that Russian forces seized Novaya Sorochina (north of Sudzha).[26] A Russian

milblogger claimed that Russian forces advanced near Cherkasskaya Konopelka (southeast of Sudzha).[27] ISW has not observed visual evidence confirming these claims, however.

Russian Main Effort – Eastern Ukraine

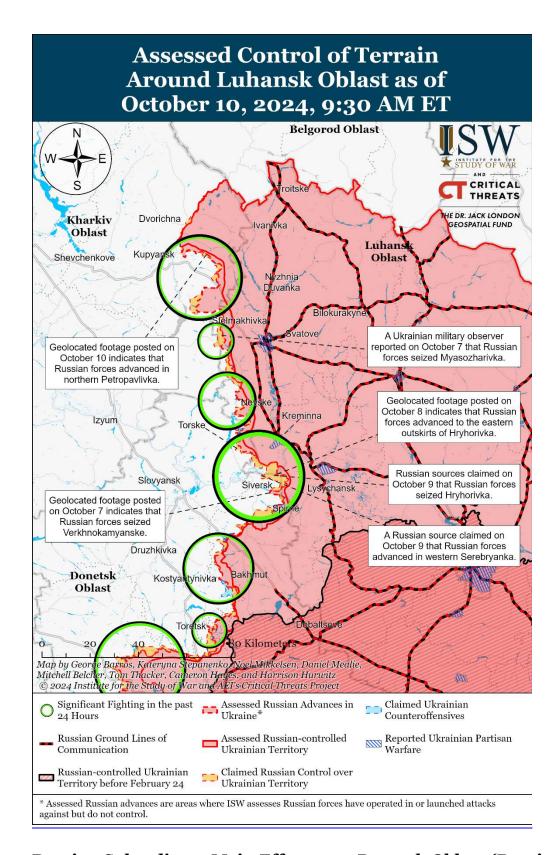
<u>Russian Subordinate Main Effort #1 – Kharkiv Oblast (Russian objective: Push Ukrainian forces back from the international border with Belgorod Oblast and approach to within tube artillery range of Kharkiv City)</u>

Russian forces continued offensive operations northeast of Kharkiv City near Vovchansk and Tykhe on October 9 and 10, but there were no confirmed changes to the frontline. [28] Ukraine's Kharkiv Group of Forces reported on October 10 that Russian forces are trying to replenish ammunition stockpiles at forward positions near Starytsya (northeast of Kharkiv City). [29]



<u>Russian Subordinate Main Effort #2 – Luhansk Oblast</u> (Russian objective: Capture the remainder of Luhansk Oblast and push westward into eastern Kharkiv Oblast and northern Donetsk Oblast)

Russian forces recently advanced east of Kupyansk amid continued assaults along the Kupyansk-Svatove-Kreminna line on October 10. Geolocated footage published on October 10 indicates that Russian forces recently advanced along Luhova Street in northern Petropavlivka (east of Kupyansk) and southwest of Kotlyarivka (southeast of Kupyansk). [30] Russian sources claimed that Russian forces advanced southwest of Kyslivka (southeast of Kupyansk) and up to two kilometers east of Terny (northwest of Kreminna), but ISW has not observed confirmation of these claims. [31] Russian forces continued assaults northeast of Kupyansk near Synkivka and in the direction of Kucherivka; east of Kupyansk near Petropavlivka; southeast of Kupyansk near Stepova Novoselivka, Vishneve, Novoosynove, Kolisnykivka, Kruhlyakivka, and Lozova; west of Svatove near Zhelenyi Hai and Andriivka; southeast of Svatove near Hrekivka, Makiivka, Druzhelyubivka, Novosadove, and Nevske and in the direction of Katerynivka; west of Kreminna near Toretsk; and southwest of Kreminna near the Serebryanske forest area on October 9 and 10.[32]

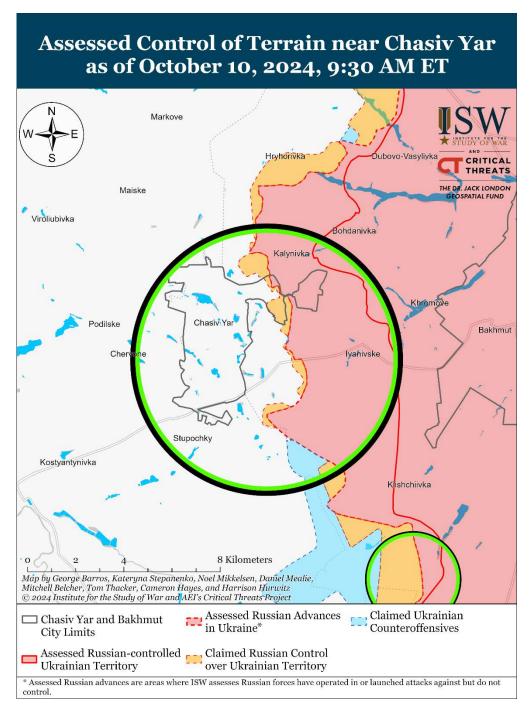


<u>Russian Subordinate Main Effort #3 – Donetsk Oblast</u> (Russian objective: Capture the entirety of Donetsk Oblast, the claimed territory of Russia's proxies in Donbas)

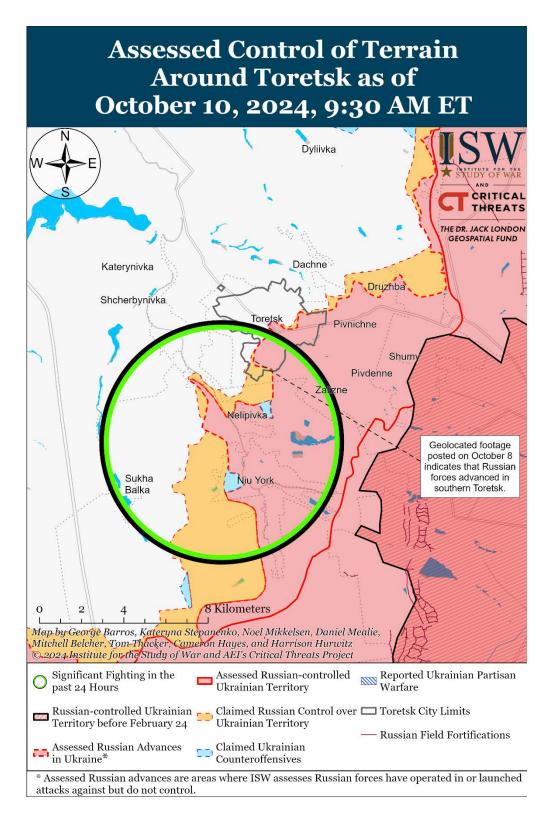
Russian sources largely disputed recently claimed Russian advances in the Siversk direction amid continued Russian offensive operations in the area on October 10. Russian milbloggers widely claimed on October 9 and 10 that Russian forces did not seize all of Verkhnokamyanske (east of Siversk) and Institute for the Study of War and AEI's Critical Threats Project 2024

half of Serebryanka (north of Siversk) or advance north of Siversk near Hryhorivka and Bilohorivka.[33] A prominent, Kremlin-affiliated milblogger claimed that there is not enough cover for Russian forces to seize Verkhnokamyanske without taking the heights to the north and south and that the footage of a Russian flag on the outskirts of Hryhorivka is due to a Russian drone dropping the flag rather than marking an enduring infantry position.[34] ISW observed geolocated footage published on October 7 and 8 that indicates that Russian forces at least temporarily advanced east of Hryhorivka and into western Verkhnokamyanske, although it does not indicate that Russian forces have established enduring positions in the area.[35] Other Russian milbloggers criticized so-called "beautiful reports" of exaggerated Russian successes in the area and the broader Russian military culture that encourages such exaggerations.[36] The Ukrainian General Staff reported that Russian forces conducted ground attacks near Verkhnokamyanske on October 10.[37] Elements of the Russian 7th Motorized Rifle Brigade (3rd Combined Arms Army [CAA], formerly 2nd Luhansk People's Republic [LNR] Army Corps operate [AC]) reportedly continue the Siversk direction.[38] to in

Russian forces recently marginally advanced north of Chasiv Yar amid continued offensive operations in the area on October 10. Geolocated footage published on October 9 shows that Russian forces marginally advanced southwest of Hryhorivka (north of Chasiv Yar).[39] Russian forces continued ground attacks within Kanal Microraion within Chasiv Yar; north of Chasiv Yar near Minkivka and Orikhovo-Vasylivka; and south of Chasiv Yar near Bila Hora, Oleksandro-Shultyne, and Stupochky on October 9 and 10.[40] Artillery elements of the Russian 98th Airborne (VDV) Division reportedly continue to strike Ukrainian positions within eastern Chasiv Yar.[41]

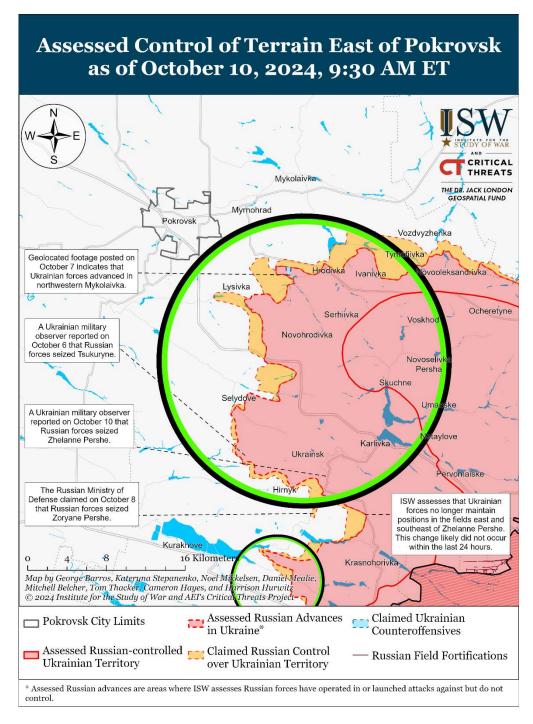


Ukrainian forces recently recaptured some positions within and south of Toretsk amid continued Russian offensive operations in the area on October 10. Geolocated footage published on October 9 and 10 shows that Ukrainian forces recently advanced north of Nelipivka (south of Toretsk) and recaptured a building within central Toretsk. [42] A Russian milblogger claimed that Russian forces seized a building at the Tsentralna Mine in central Toretsk. [43] Russian forces also continued ground attacks north of Toretsk near Dyliivka, east of Toretsk near Druzhba, south of Toretsk near Nelipivka and in the direction of Shcherbynivka, and southwest of Toretsk near Leonidivka on October 9 and 10. [44]



Russian forces recently advanced southeast of Pokrovsk amid continued offensive operations east and southeast of Pokrovsk on October 10. Geolocated footage published on October 9 indicates that Russian forces advanced east of Selydove (southeast of Pokrovsk) and along the railway line south of Selydove. [45] Ukrainian military observer Kostyantyn Mashovets stated on October 10 that Russian forces have seized Zhelanne Pershe (southeast of Pokrovsk), over which the Russian Ministry of Defense (MoD) claimed control on September 14. [46] Russian milbloggers claimed that Russian forces advanced 600 meters in depth east of the railway east of Selydove, 950 meters in depth within western Institute for the Study of War and AEI's Critical Threats Project 2024

Tsukuryne (southeast of Pokrovsk), and 400 meters in depth south of Selydove.[47] Russian forces also attacked east of Pokrovsk near Sukha Balka, Novotoretske, Myrolyubivka, Krutyi Yar, Promin, Lysyk, and Sukhyi Yar; and southeast of Pokrovsk near Kalynove, Hirnyk, Novoselydivka, and Tsukuryne on October 9 and 10.[48] Mashovets characterized Russian assaults in the Pokrovsk and Kurakhove (west of Donetsk City) directions as "cumulative," in which Russian forces send continuous waves of assault groups in hopes of indiscriminately gaining a foothold.[49] Mashovets noted that these assault groups are usually consist of infantry with support from artillery and aviation but sometimes include three to four armored vehicles.[50] Mashovets reported that elements of the Russian 15th and 30th motorized rifle brigades (both of the 2nd CAA, Central Military District [CMD]) are fighting towards Myrnohrad (east of Pokrovsk), elements of the 90th Tank Division and 27th Motorized Rifle Division (2nd CAA) are fighting towards Selydove, and likely elements of the 90th Tank Division with support from the 5th and 114th motorized rifle brigades (both of the 51st CAA, formerly of the Donetsk People's Republic [DNR] AC) are struggling to break through Ukrainian lines southeast of Pokrovsk on the Vozneseka-Zhelanne Pershe line.[51]

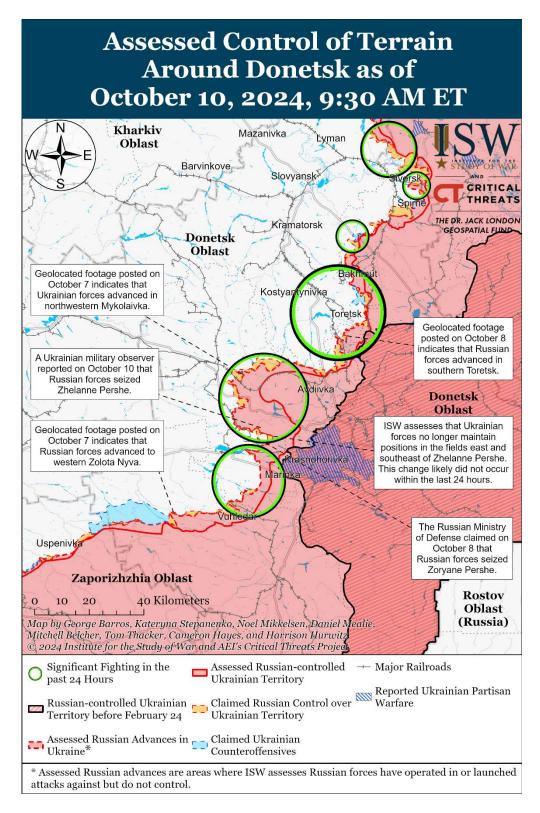


ISW has adjusted its assessed Russian advances control of terrain layer over unpopulated fields east and southeast of Zhelanne Pershe given that ISW's previous map of control of terrain depicted a very deep and narrow salient that Ukrainian forces likely have not controlled for much time. ISW has not observed geolocated evidence of Russian forces operating in the fields, but the other known contours of the battlefield geometry strongly indicate that Russian forces likely have occupied these fields. Russian forces certainly did not capture these fields in the last 24 hours, although ISW only made the corresponding map adjustment on October 10. ISW will continue studying the situation and refining the assessment of control of terrain as more data becomes available.

Russian forces likely seek to widen the Pokrovsk salient's southern flank to smooth out the forward edge of the battle area (FEBA) to create a more advantageous frontline that connects the Russian

frontline west of Donetsk City closer to the Russian frontline south of Pokrovsk. Russian forces can eliminate tactical and operational salients that could become vulnerable to future Ukrainian counterattacks by smoothing out the battlefield geometry of the Russian frontline in this area. Smoothing the frontline also provides Russian forces a wider area from which they can pursue intensified attacks against Pokrovsk after securing terrain southwest of Pokrovsk.

Russian forces continued offensive operations west of Donetsk City on October 10, but there were no confirmed changes to the frontline. Russian forces continued ground attacks west of Donetsk City near Hostre, Heorhiivka, and Kurakhivka on October 9 and 10.[52]



Russian forces recently advanced southwest of Donetsk City amid continued offensive operations in the area on October 10. Geolocated footage published on October 10 indicates that Russian forces recently advanced northeast of Vodyane (southwest of Donetsk City and northeast of Vuhledar). [53] Russian forces continued ground attacks southwest of Donetsk City near Katerynivka, Kostyantynivka, Antonivka, Bohoyavlenka, Vuhledar, and Maksymilyanivka on October 9 and 10. [54] A Russian milblogger claimed that Ukrainian forces counterattacked near Zolota Nyva (west of Vuhledar), and

another Russian milblogger claimed that Russian forces advanced near Zolota Nyva and Bohoyavlenka. [55] Elements of the Russian 36th Motorized Rifle Brigade (29th CAA, Eastern Military District [EMD]) are reportedly fighting near Vuhledar. [56]

Russian and Ukrainian sources did not report ongoing fighting in the Donetsk-Zaporizhia Oblast border area on October 10.

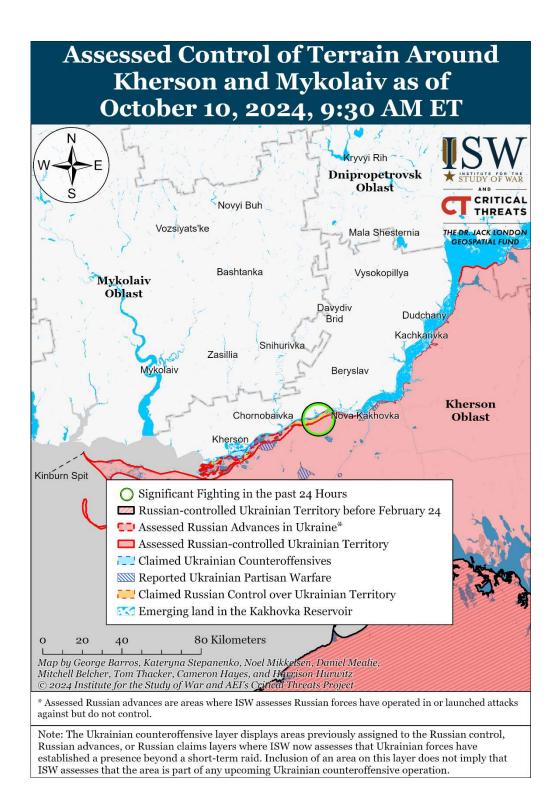
<u>Russian Supporting Effort – Southern Axis</u> (Russian objective: Maintain frontline positions and secure rear areas against Ukrainian strikes)

Russian forces continued offensive operations in western Zaporizhia Oblast, including near Robotyne and northeast of Robotyne near Mala Tokmachka on October 10 but did not make any confirmed advances.[57] Russian milbloggers claimed on October 9 that Russian forces advanced near Robotyne and on the outskirts of Kamyanske (south of Stepnohirsk).[58] Russian sources claimed on October 10 that heavy fighting continued in Kamyanske but notably did not claim any further Russian advances in the area.[59]



A Ukrainian military official warned that Russian forces may soon intensify tactical infantry assaults near Robotyne in western Zaporizhia Oblast and near Pryyutne in the Donetsk-Zaporizhia Oblast border area. Ukrainian Tavriisk Group of Forces Spokesperson Colonel Vladyslav Voloshyn stated on October 9 and 10 that Russian forces are accumulating forces near Robotyne and Pryyutne and may intensify small infantry assaults in the area in three-to-seven days, although Russian forces in the area are not currently conducting assault operations. [60] Voloshyn stated that the Russian military will form small infantry groups of five-to-ten personnel from Russian motorized rifle and Airborne (VDV) units that will conduct assaults after which reinforcement groups will consolidate and hold seized positions

Russian forces continued assaults in the Kherson direction on October 9 and 10, but there were no confirmed changes to the frontline in this direction.[61] Elements of the Russian 80th Arctic Brigade (14th Army Corps [AC], Leningrad Military District [LMD]) reportedly continue operating in the Kherson direction.[62]



<u>Russian Air, Missile, and Drone Campaign</u> (Russian Objective: Target Ukrainian military and civilian infrastructure in the rear and on the frontline)

Russian forces conducted a series of missile and drone strikes against Ukraine on the night of October 9 to 10. The Ukrainian Air Force reported that Russian forces launched two Iskander-M ballistic missiles, one Kh-31P cruise missile, and two Kh-59/69 cruise missiles from occupied Crimea; three S-300 missiles from occupied Donetsk Oblast; and 62 unspecified drones from Kursk Oblast and Primorsko-Akhtarsk, Krasnodar Krai. [63] The Ukrainian Air Force reported that Ukrainian forces shot down 41 drones over Mykolaiv, Odesa, Kherson, Kiev, Cherkasy, Dnipropetrovsk, Sumy, Poltava,

Zaporizhia, and Donetsk oblasts and that Russian missiles and drone strikes damaged civilian and critical infrastructure in Odesa, Poltava, and Donetsk oblasts. Dnipropetrovsk Oblast Military Administration Head Serhiy Lysak reported that a Shahed drone damaged civilian infrastructure in Kryvyi Rih. [64] Mykolaiv Oblast Military Administration Head Vitaliy Kim reported that Russian forces struck the outskirts of Mykolaiv City with a Kh-59/69 cruise missile. [65]

<u>Russian Mobilization and Force Generation Efforts</u> (Russian objective: Expand combat power without conducting general mobilization)

The Russian military appears to be increasingly recruiting older Russian volunteers in order to sustain ongoing crypto-mobilization efforts. Russian opposition outlet *Verstka* reported on October 9 that a source in an unspecified Russian Airborne (VDV) unit operating in the Kherson direction stated that 40 percent of the unit's contract recruits and mobilized personnel are over 50 years old and that over 75 percent of new personnel are over 50 years old. [66] *Verstka*, citing an unspecified Moscow City official, stated that half of the Russian military volunteers from Moscow City are over 45 years old. *Verstka* also reported, citing data from Russian opposition outlet *Mediazona*, that 2,475 Russian military volunteers over the age of 45 have died in the war in Ukraine between January and September 2024 - 18 percent more than Russian volunteers who died in the war over the age of 45 in all of 2023.[67]

Chechen Republic Head Ramzan Kadyrov argued on October 9 that criminal "problem youth" in Chechnya should staff a new regiment to fight in Ukraine. [68] Kadyrov claimed that these "problem youth" can choose to serve a prison sentence or serve in the Russian military and noted that Chechnya is currently forming a new regiment of 2,500 personnel that will deploy to Ukraine in the future. Kadyrov stated that Russian State Duma Deputy Adam Delimkhanov will oversee the formation of the new regiment.

<u>Russian Technological Adaptations</u> (Russian objective: Introduce technological innovations to optimize systems for use in Ukraine)

The press service of Russian President Vladimir Putin's People's Front (*Narodnyi Front*) political coalition told Kremlin newswire *TASS* on October 10 that Novosibirsk Oblast authorities and representatives of the People's Front "Kulibin Club" drone and electronic warfare (EW) system production initiative developed and tested a new multifunctional airplane type drone with a cruising speed on 80 kilometers per hour and a flight range of 200 kilometers. [69] The People's Front reported that Russian forces can use the drone for reconnaissance, as a false target against Ukrainian air defenses, or as a strike drone.

<u>Ukrainian Defense Industrial Efforts</u> (Ukrainian objective: Develop its defense industrial base to become more self-sufficient in cooperation with US, European, and international partners)

ISW is suspending publishing coverage of Ukrainian defense industrial efforts until further notice.

<u>Activities in Russian-occupied areas</u> (Russian objective: Consolidate administrative control of annexed areas; forcibly integrate Ukrainian citizens into Russian sociocultural, economic, military, and governance systems)

ISW is not publishing reporting on activities in Russian-occupied areas today.

Russian Information Operations and Narratives

Nothing significant to report.

<u>Significant activity in Belarus</u> (Russian efforts to increase its military presence in Belarus and further integrate Belarus into Russian-favorable frameworks and Wagner Group activity in Belarus)

Russian President Vladimir Putin and Belarusian President Alexander Lukashenko met in Moscow on October 10 and discussed strong bilateral economic relations, trade, and industrial cooperation including in aviation production. [70] Putin awarded Lukashenko with the Order of St. Andrew the Apostle, Russia's highest state honor. [71]

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