# HOUSING & IDP INTEGRATION: RESULTS OF A SURVEY COMPARING IDP AND LOCAL POPULATIONS IN UKRAINE

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#### Why Compare IDP and Local Populations?

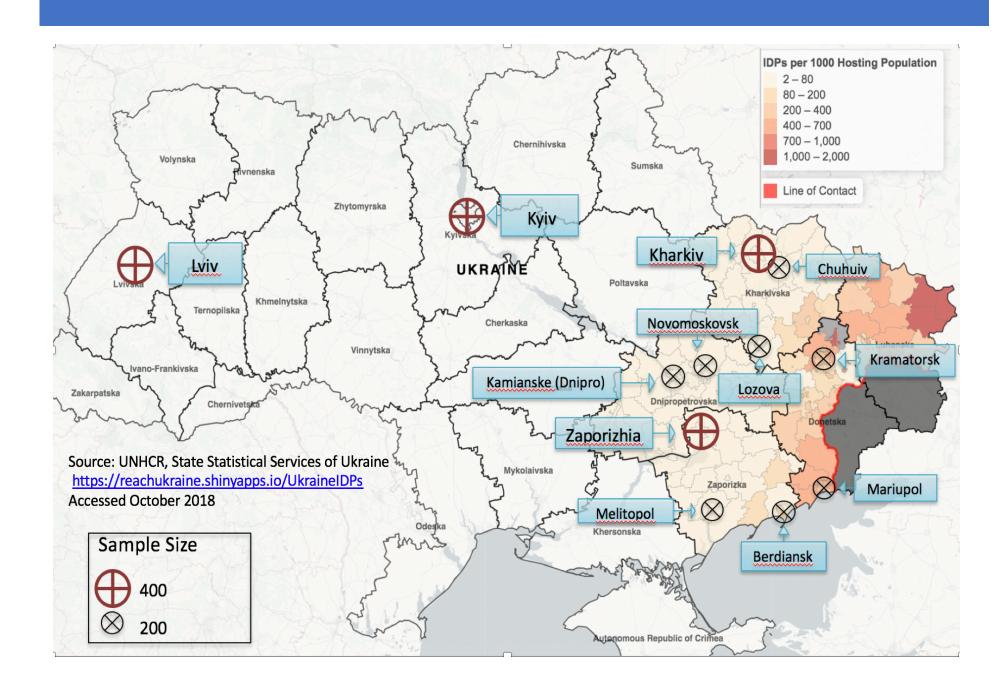
- Integration = "two-way process of mutual adaptation of migrants and the host society" (IOM 2012)
- IDPs experience displacement in relation to:
  - Their lives before displacement
  - Norms in their new communities
- Policy solutions require sensitivity to perceptions and needs of host communities

## Survey research: Jan.-March 2018

- Adults age 18-49
- N=3200
  - 1600 locals (random sample)
  - 1600 IDPs (respondent-driven sample)
- Purposive sampling of sites
  - 12 cities and towns across 6 regions

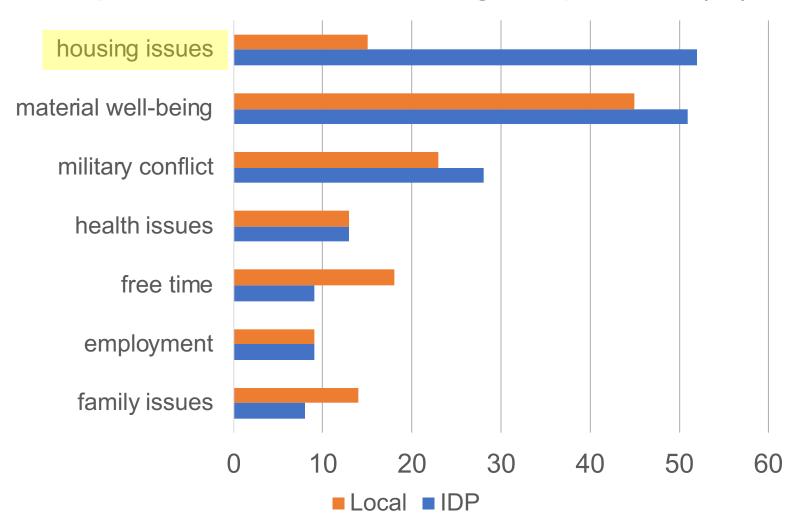
## Survey research: Jan.-March 2018

- Questionnaire adapted from 2015 Comparative Survey on Housing and Societal Stability (Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, and Ukraine)
- Questions on housing, socioeconomic and demographic status, social networks, civic and political beliefs and behavior, mobility since 2013
- Public release dataset will be available in January

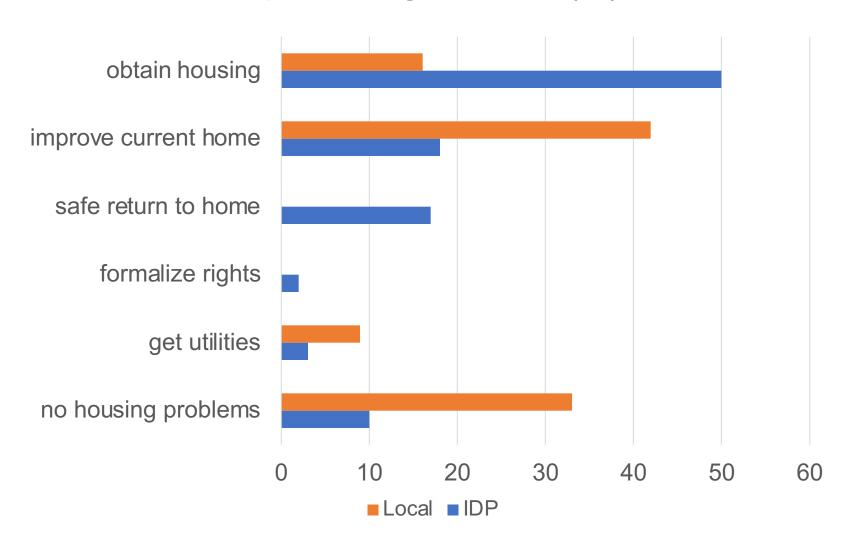


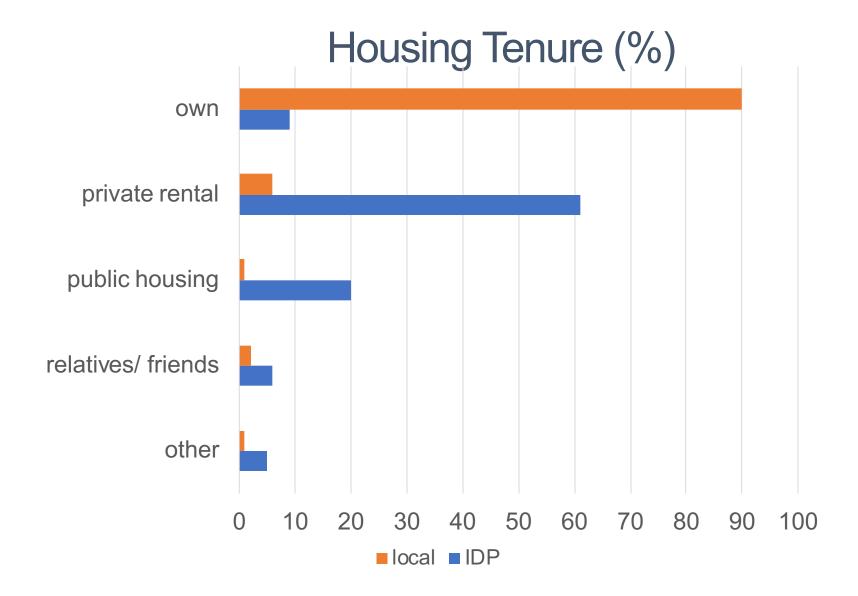
# HOUSING AS THE CRITICAL ISSUE FOR IDPS

#### Top Two Problems Troubling Respondent (%)

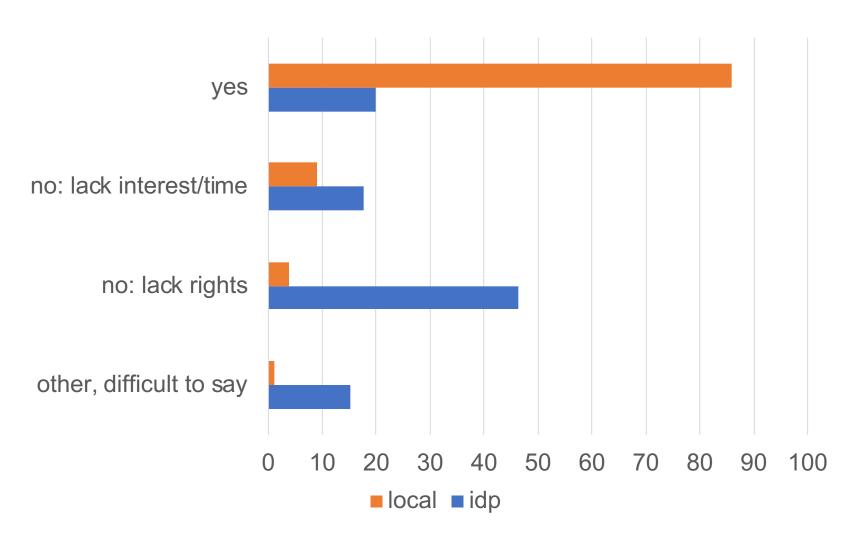


#### Top Housing Problem (%)

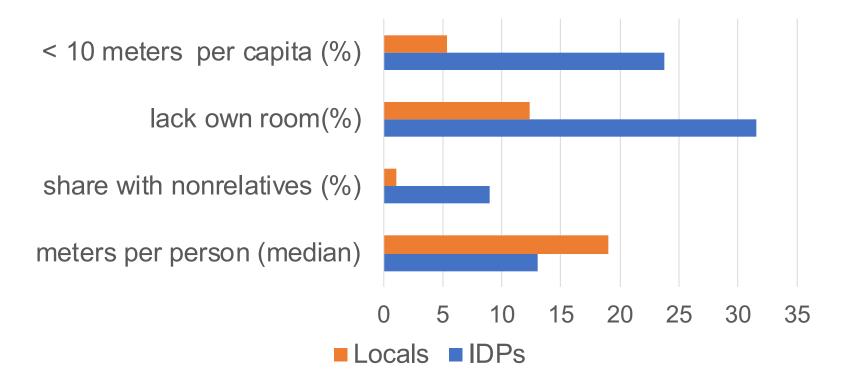




### Propiska at Current Residence



# Crowding



 "Own room" definition: respondent has separate room shared only with partner and children under age 3

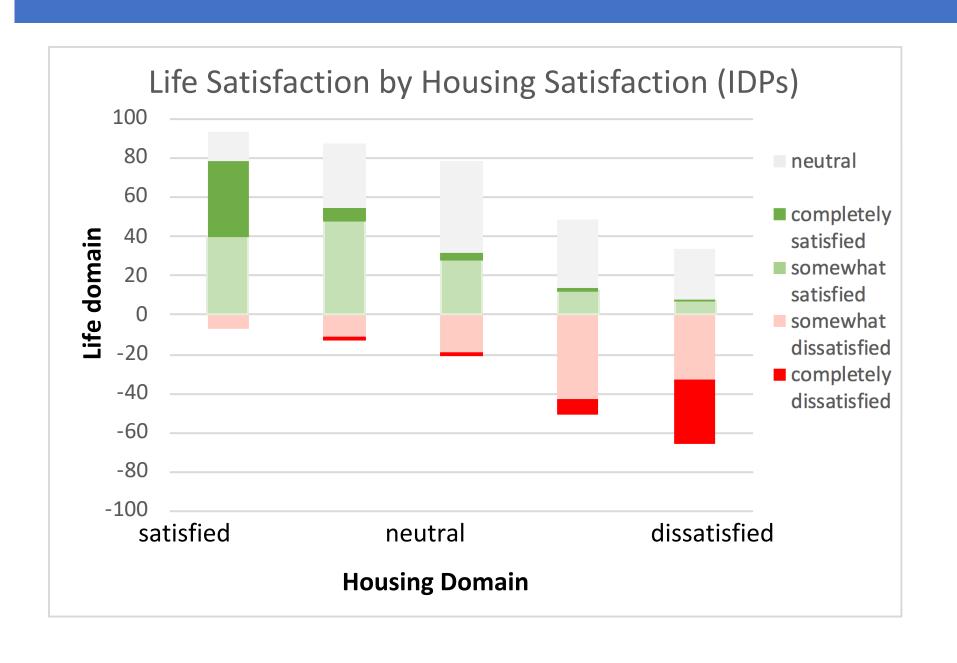
# HOUSING AS A BARRIER TO SOCIETAL INTEGRATION

## **Housing Impacts**

- Subjective wellbeing / happiness
- Social networks
- Civic rights

#### Satisfaction with Housing Conditions

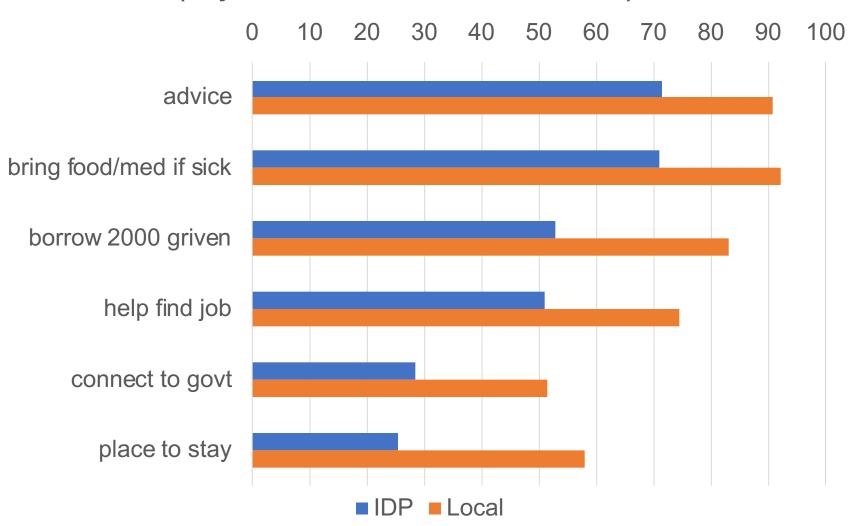




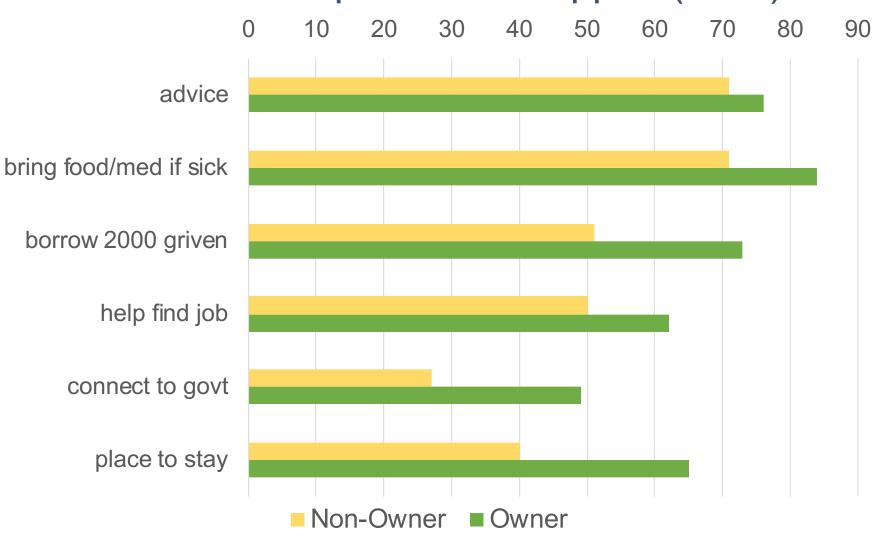
#### Feeling "at home" in city/town of residence



# Know someone who would help you (city resident not in household)

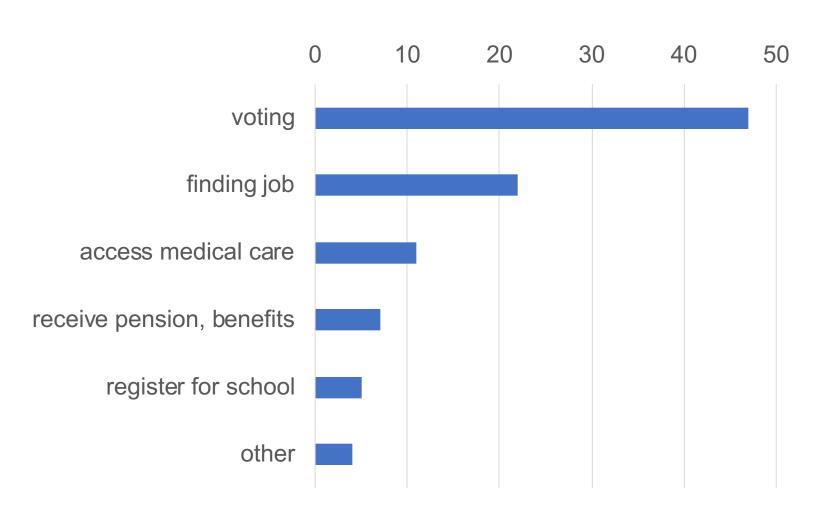


#### Homeownership & Social Support (IDPs)



#### Lack of propiska causes problems with...

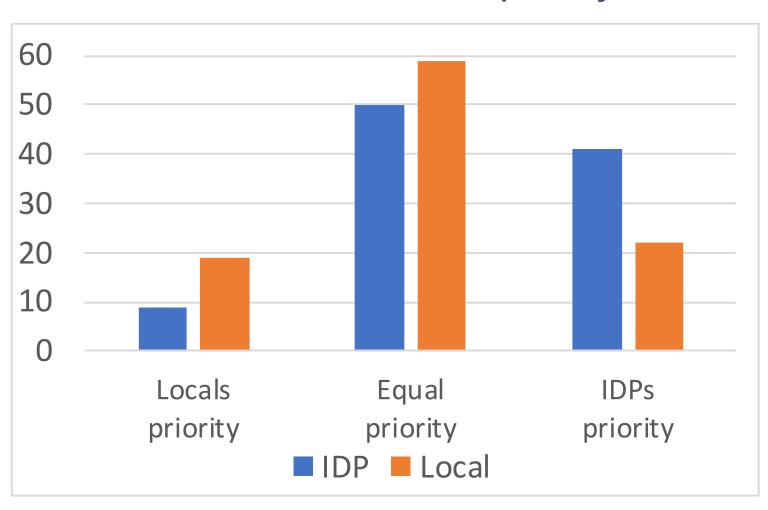
(among IDPs without propiska)



# Integration requires affordable pathways to ownership

- Ukraine is a "super-ownership society"
  - One of the highest homeownership rates in the world,
  - Mostly debt free
- Ownership required for full sense of inclusion and being "at home"
- Low housing affordability and weak housing finance means IDPs cannot earn or borrow their way to ownership

# If government could offer subsidized mortgages, who should have priority?



## 1. Invest in housing

- Would alleviate major source of suffering and grievances.
  - Short-term: prioritize construction/renovation of affordable rental housing
  - Medium-term: subsidize cooperative construction and mortgage finance
  - Allocate to both IDPs and needy locals
  - Requires international financing and monitoring

### 2. Reform address-based rights

- Landlords reluctant to provide proof of address
- Decouple propiska-based rights from address



