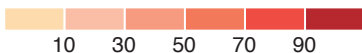


Crimea threatens secession from Ukraine

Ukraine has moved a step closer to breakup as lawmakers in Crimea unanimously declared that they wanted to join Russia and would put the decision to voters on March 16

Percentage of people with Russian

as their native language (2001 census)



Native languages

Ukrainian

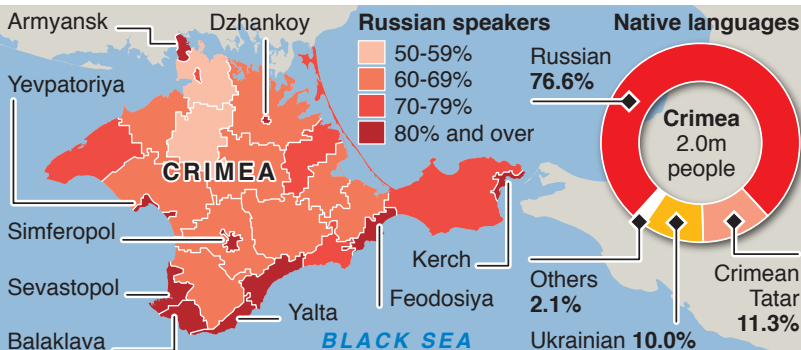
67.5%

Ukraine

48.2m people

Russian 29.6%

Others 2.9% (including Crimean Tatar 0.5%)



Russian speakers

50-59%

60-69%

70-79%

80% and over

Native languages

Russian

76.6%

Others

2.1%

Ukrainian

10.0%

Crimea

2.0m people

Crimean Tatar

11.3%