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Ukrainian draft officers ordered to 'capture' 12 men a day – MP

Kiev is struggling with widespread draft evasion amid a mobilization campaign



A Ukrainian military cadet. Odessa, May, 2025. © Viacheslav Onyshchenko / SOPA Images / LightRocket via Getty Images

Ukrainian conscription officers have been ordered to bring in 12 new recruits each day and are using aggressive tactics to meet their quotas, lawmaker Yury Kamelchuk has said.

Kiev relies on mandatory conscription of men aged 25 and older to replenish its armed forces, but widespread draft evasion has become a significant issue. In an interview on Friday,

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Ukrainian MP Kamelchuk claimed the government's approach reflects a fundamental lack of respect for its citizens.

"If they were treated respectfully from the start, the result would have been different," he said. *"I was told that today they catch pretty much everyone, regardless of health."*

"One method they use all the time is ordering food delivery and capturing the courier," the lawmaker added.

Kamelchuk said the quota system results in unfit recruits who *"cannot be put on the line with military service members because they would simply kick the bucket there."*



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Ukraine's Vladimir Zelensky said last week that the pace of mobilization *"has not changed significantly in six months"* as the military continues to carry out its draft plan.

The Ukrainian Defense Ministry launched a campaign in February to encourage voluntary enlistment among younger adults, using advertisements that compared the value of a year's service pay to everyday consumer goods such as burgers.

Although the military claims to see strong interest, fewer than 500 contracts have been signed, according to the presidential office. The deputy chief of the presidential office, Pavel Palisa, said many applicants change their mind, often due to pressure from their parents.

Zelensky stated in February that 45,000 Ukrainian troops had been killed and another 390,000 injured in the conflict with Russia. In April, he cited *"up to 100,000 losses,"* a term that includes deaths, serious injuries, and soldiers taken prisoner.

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The Russian military estimated total Ukrainian losses by the end of 2024 at well over 1 million, including over 595,000 suffered that year.

The International Committee of the Red Cross said last week it had received 400,000 requests from Ukrainian families searching for missing relatives as of April. The Ukrainian military, which has been accused of labeling killed soldiers as missing in action to mask battlefield deaths, criticized the international relief organization, claiming it was engaging in "absolutely invalid or deliberately manipulative reporting."

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L **Liam** 6/2/2025 at 11:17 AM -2

Russia is destroying its future by killing of the male population. That's potential officers, scientists, economists. Everybody you need to rebuild the country. Ukraine is far more advanced in modern warfare amd innovation than Russia is. Russia is the most backwards country on the planet now. How easy is it to destroy russian strategic assets on the ground. As easy as the Germans had it in world war 2. Only Russia doesn't have Ameroca to supply equipment to help them anymore.

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A **Ari** 6/2/2025 at 11:20 AM ↑ 0

You should stop using heroin, its not good for your mental health.

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Dimitri Ledkovsky 6/2/2025 at 11:20 AM ↑ 0

You need to replace the word «russian» or «Russia» with Ukraine and Ukrainian wherever you used it.

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UKR has a manning problem because of the totally inconsiderate Russian Army; they **obliterate** every military formation UKR & NATO present Russia —> You are very, very, very naughty !

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A Ari 6/2/2025 at 11:12 AM 2

Why dont anyone want to join the ukro army voluntarily and die for the billionaire drug addict Elensky ? Is the corrupt Ukraine such a mess its not worth defending ?

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 **Carpe Diem** 6/2/2025 at 11:17 AM 1


Firstly, over 10 million so-called Ukrainians have fled, another 4 million have happily joined the Russian Motherland, so there is not much of a conscription cannon fodder left for this Anglo-Zionist war on the Russian Federation. The problem now is that the Anglos and Jews are escalating terrorism against Russian civilians and this will only stop if there is a cost on these genocidal bastards.

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S Stelios Chimarides 6/2/2025 at 11:12 AM 1


Ok this is the secret ti peace a summer offensive against Ukraine killing many Nazis and crippling many more .. land is secondary but welcome. There must be peace through death.

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 **Richard** 6/2/2025 at 11:11 AM 1

ukravine is cleaning up its garbage genes.


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 **Ford, Alan Ford** 6/2/2025 at 11:05 AM 1

Why their european friends don't catch all immigrants and send them back to zel's hell angels?! Oh no, it's against democratic freedom, better to send criminals aka mercenaries and weapons.

It's all one big Hell's kitchen 🐱


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Round up the Jews and send them to the front and this war will stop in a Jew York minute.

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 **Carpe Diem** 6/2/2025 at 11:08 AM

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Zionist Jew cabal Kiev does not care as Slavs are being slaughtered by Anglo-Zionist warmongers.


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 **Sachidanandam Vivekanandan** 6/2/2025 at 11:05 AM

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It is like targeting rats in a grain field with rat mense!!! This reveals the attitudes of the hovt & the people's inability to do anything. This is mainly because, all the opposition figures (to start such opposition rally) have been either imprisoned, deported, exiled or killed Very strange govt & strange people!!!


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 **Naftech** 6/2/2025 at 10:54 AM

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Why don't they leave those Ukrainians alone and capture all the western and other idiots with a Ukrainian flag on their social media profile. They seem eager.


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 **Earthling** 6/2/2025 at 10:56 AM ↑

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That's a brilliant idea. There should be at least one million available

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 **Théo** 6/2/2025 at 11:04 AM ↑

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Very good idea. There are plenty of them if France, Germany, Luxembourg, etc. I would love to work as a draft officer and send them to a certain death against Russia!

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