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Summary:

The February 2022 full-scale Russian invasion of Ukraine has triggered a significant crisis, resulting in the large-scale displacement of the Ukrainian population both internally and across borders. This situation has necessitated the development of updated approaches for producing relevant and accurate statistics to inform stakeholders, including the Government, regional authorities, and international organizations, for social, economic, and community reconstruction efforts.

The challenge was further compounded by the fact that the State Statistics Service of Ukraine (SSSU), in accordance with Ukrainian law, ceased conducting surveys of the population and households, as well as the development of statistics on population, living conditions, and the labor market after the onset of the war. Under these circumstances, there was an urgent need to estimate the most critical indicators using available data from other sources, such as administrative registers and results from sample surveys conducted without the SSSU's participation.

The report explores various sources of relevant data in Ukraine that can be utilized to estimate the size, distribution, and dynamics of the population, household composition, income, expenditures, poverty, and inequality. The Institute for Demography, in collaboration with UNFPA and other international organizations, developed an approach to estimate the number, structure, and location of the population in the Government Controlled Area of Ukraine as of mid-2023 and mid-2024, based on existing sources. Additionally, a large sample survey on household living conditions, including poverty, was conducted at the end of 2023 with technical support from UNICEF, using a methodology similar to that of state sample surveys.

The report also discusses the main strengths and limitations of these developed approaches. It demonstrates that these methods can be effectively used to timely estimate and monitor crucial socio-economic indicators in the context of Russia's ongoing war against Ukraine.

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