

**OPINION MONITORING: NOVEMBER—DECEMBER 2022**

VCIOM-Sputnik daily survey results. The survey method is stratified dual-frame sample consisting of telephone interviews. The sample is based on a complete list of landline and mobile phone numbers operating in Russia and involves 1,600 persons aged 18 and older. The data were weighted for the probability of selection and reflect social and demographic characteristics. The margin of error at a 95% confidence level does not exceed 2.5%. In addition to sampling error, minor changes in question wording and different circumstances arising during fieldwork can introduce bias into the survey.

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## POLITICS

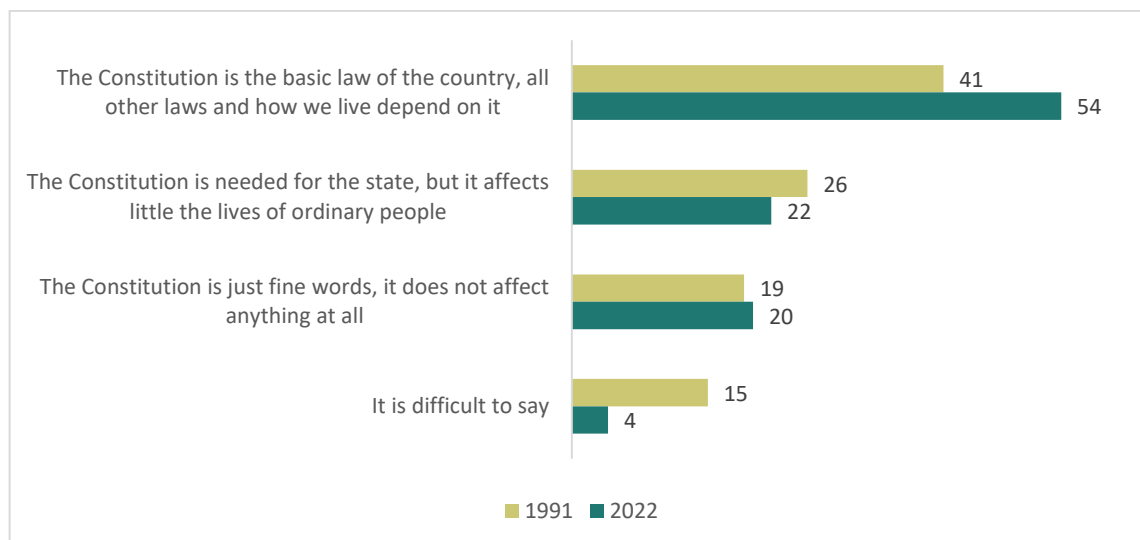
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December 12, 2022

Since 2004, an important date has been celebrated annually on December 12 in Russia — Constitution Day. Today, more than half of our fellow citizens consider the Constitution the country's primary law, on which all other laws depend, and how the people live (54%). Over the three decades since 1991, this indicator has grown by 13 percentage points. To a greater extent, this point of view is widespread among the young people (in the group of 18–24 years old, 66% think so, among 25–34-year-olds — 59%); the respondents who characterize their financial situation as good (71%); as well as the audiences with higher education (59%). Nevertheless, every fifth believes that the Constitution is necessary for the state, but it has little effect on the lives of ordinary people — 22% (- 4 percentage points by 1991). Another 20% of Russians believe that the country's fundamental law does not affect anything and is just fine words. Another 20% of Russians believe that the country's fundamental law does not affect anything and is just fine words.

**Fig. 1. December 12 is celebrated as Constitution Day in Russia. With which of the judgments about the Constitution would you rather agree? (close-ended question, one answer, in % of all respondents)**



## SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES

### STATE MEDICINE: IN PURSUIT OF QUALITY

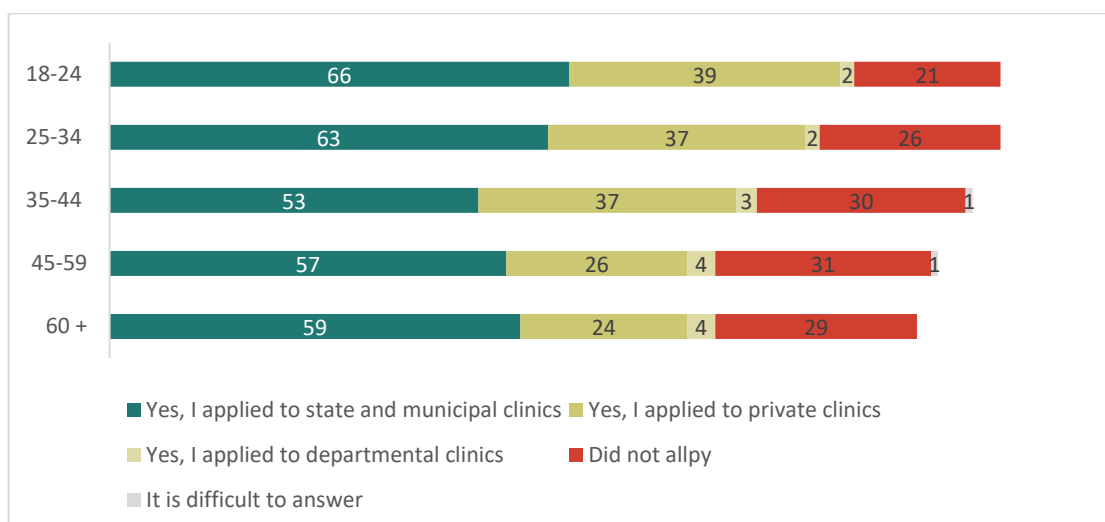
#### STATE MEDICINE: IN PURSUIT OF QUALITY

November 13, 2022

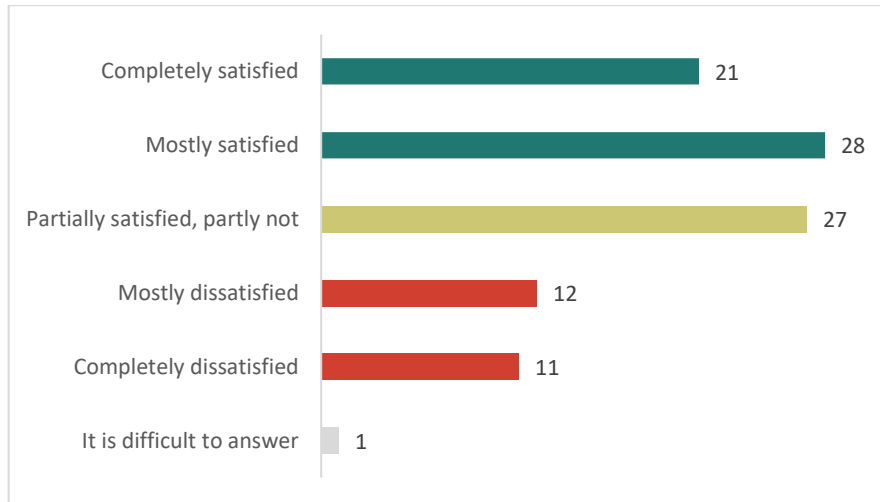
Today, state/municipal healthcare institutions are the most popular among the population, with 59% attending them over the past year. A third of Russians have visited private clinics — 31%. Among men, 37% did not go to any medical institution during the past year, which is 1.8 times more than among women (21%). Regarding age groups, the maximum number of those who did not apply to healthcare institutions falls on respondents over 35 (29–31%). Among young people aged 18–34, the exact figure is 21–26%. That is, the established opinion that with age, people visit doctors more often does not find confirmation. Every second among those who have experience applying to budgetary medical organizations over the past year was satisfied with the assistance provided — 49%. This is higher compared to the data for 2019–2020 by 11 p.p.; 23% are dissatisfied with the services received, and another 27% noted that they are only partially satisfied.

Every third Russian assesses the current state of Russian healthcare as optimistic (34%): 21% consider that Russian healthcare is now catching up with world medicine in all areas, and another 13% believe that in some areas, they have already managed to overtake world medicine. The share of those who chose the “does not develop” option was 40%, that is, pessimistic assessments prevail at this stage. The ranking of areas in which respondents would like to see the development of domestic healthcare topped the search for a cure for cancer (62%). The top 3 also included the development of high-tech medical equipment (40%) and virology (29%). Other popular answers included transplantology (20%), anti-aging (15%), as well as reproductive technologies, IVF, etc. (12%).

**Fig. 1. Have you applied or not applied during the last year to state, municipal, private medical institutions to receive medical care? You can give three answers (close-ended question, one answer, in % of all respondents)**



**Fig. 2. In general, were you satisfied or dissatisfied with the medical care provided to you in state/municipal medical institutions? (close-ended question, one answer, % of those who “applied to a state or municipal medical institution”)**



## LIFESTYLE

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November 12-13, 2022

During a November poll, Russians spoke in favor of the festive decoration of cities, provided that the authorities refuse to purchase new illuminations and decorations (70%). In the opinion of 14%, it is okay to refuse festive decoration, even if funds are required to purchase new illumination. Every eighth person (12%) favored a complete rejection of decorating cities and settlements. Most respondents also supported the festive decoration of stores, shopping centers, and fairs (85%). There were slightly more controversies on this issue – more than a third of the respondents favored making the design more modest (37%). As for specific types of holiday festivities, children’s holidays and New Year trees received the greatest support – most Russians believe they should be preserved (96%). 89% of Russians supported the installation of festive fir trees on the streets and squares of cities and towns, and one in three believes that they should be made more modest (34%). Festive fireworks and salutes received minor support – 44%; in the opinion of every second respondent, they should be abandoned entirely (54%).

**Fig. 1. At the moment we discuss various options for the festive New Year decoration of cities and settlements. In your opinion, what should be done? (close-ended question, one answer, %)**

