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The battle for Kherson, in maps

Ukraine's counter-offensive stripped Russia of the only regional capital it had captured since February

Nov 15th 2022

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WHEN RUSSIA suffers defeat on the ground it often takes to the skies. On November 15th, four days after its humiliating withdrawal in southern Ukraine, Russian missiles rained down on Kyiv, Ukraine's capital, and several other cities. Residential buildings appear to have been hit. The attacks look like a brutal attempt by Russia to save face after losing Kherson, the only regional capital it had occupied since its invasion. On November 9th Russian military leaders announced that their forces would abandon their prized acquisition and retreat to territory they occupy on the eastern bank of the Dnieper river. They claimed to have completed the withdrawal on November 11th, when Ukrainian forces reached the city's centre. The surrounding region (also named Kherson) has now been split into two, with the Ukrainians reclaiming the western side of the river and the Russians entrenched on the east (see maps).

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Sources: Institute for the Study of War; AEI's Critical Threats Project

*Regions Russia has operated in or attacked, but does not control

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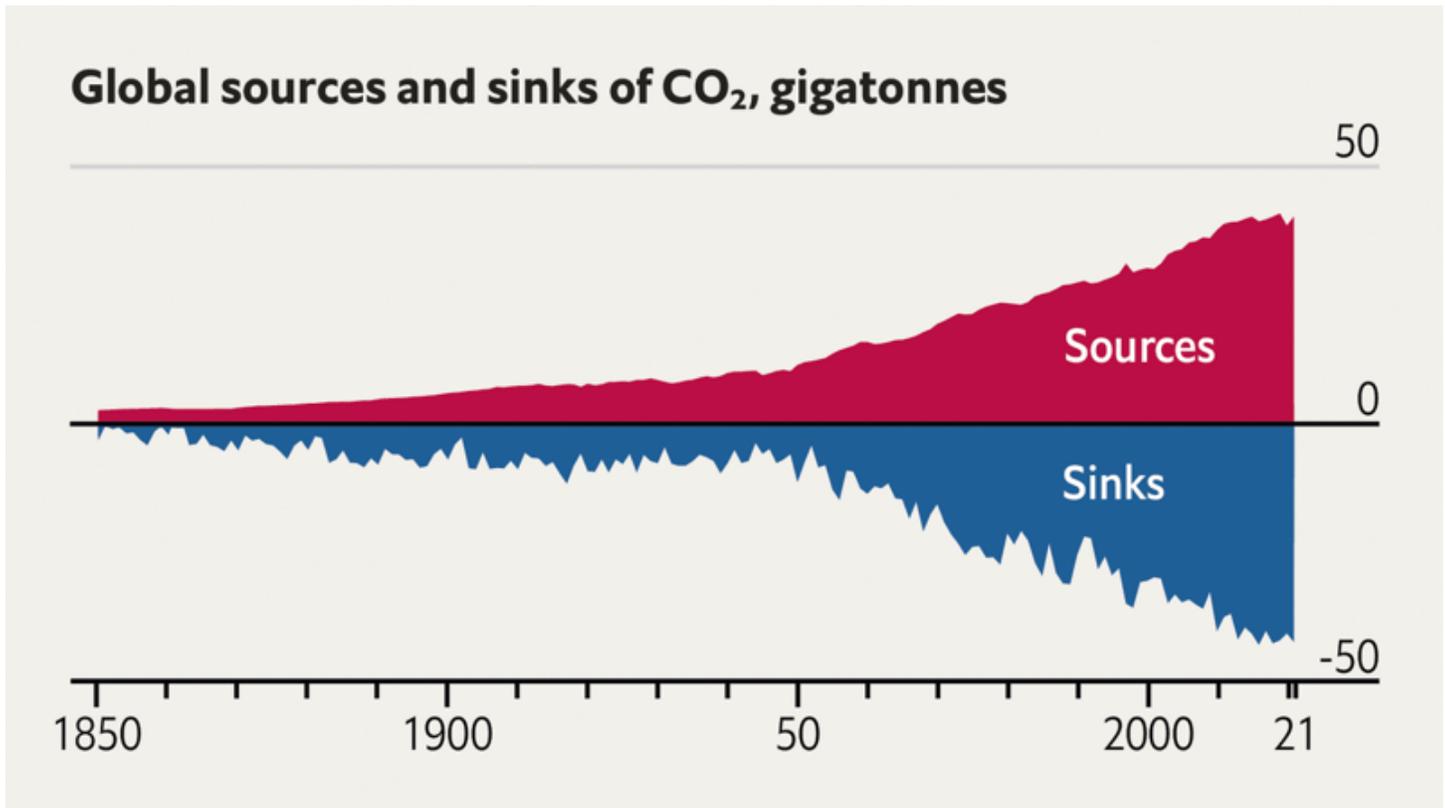
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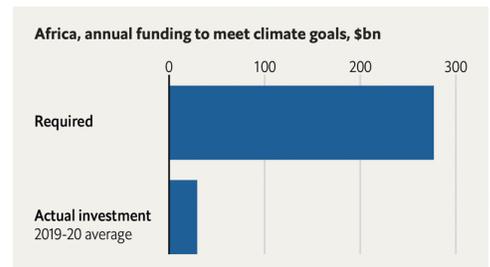


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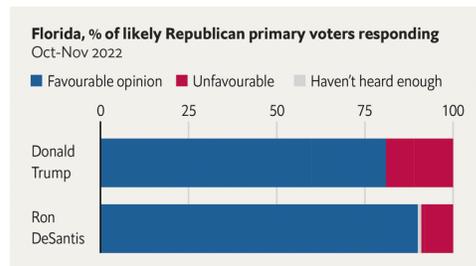
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