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**Country fact sheet:**  
**Saudi Arabia**

**Foreign direct investment (FDI) overview, selected years**  
(Millions of dollars and percentages)

<b>FDI flows</b>							<i>as a percentage of gross fixed capital formation</i>				
	1985-1995 (Annual average)	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	1985-1995 (Annual average)	2000	2001	2002	2003
<b>Saudi Arabia</b>											
Inward	99	-780	-1,884	20	-615	208	0.4	- 5.7	0.1	- 1.9	0.6
Outward	183	50	155	-44	50	54	1.2	0.5	- 0.1	0.2	0.2
<i>Memorandum</i>											
Egypt											
Inward	924	1,065	1,235	510	647	237	7.0	6.7	3.2	4.3	2.0
Outward	24	38	51	12	28	21	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2
Turkey											
Inward	529	783	982	3,266	1,038	575	1.7	2.2	12.4	3.4	1.6
Outward	24	645	870	497	175	499	0.1	2.0	1.9	0.6	1.3
West Asia											
Inward	1,359	961	1,494	6,099	3,554	4,132	0.7	1.0	4.6	2.7	2.9
Outward	398	2,093	3,757	5,096	2,460	-701	0.7	2.8	4.0	2.0	- 0.5
Developing economies											
Inward	50,773	231,880	252,459	219,721	157,612	172,033	4.5	14.9	13.1	9.9	10.0
Outward	21,620	75,488	98,929	59,861	44,009	35,591	2.0	6.1	3.6	3.0	2.1
World											
Inward	181,704	1,086,750	1,387,953	817,574	678,751	559,576	3.9	19.8	12.0	10.1	7.5
Outward	203,620	1,092,279	1,186,838	721,501	596,487	612,201	4.6	17.1	10.8	9.0	8.4
<b>FDI stocks</b>							<i>as a percentage of gross domestic product</i>				
	1980	1990	1995	2000	2002	2003	1980	1990	2000	2002	2003
<b>Saudi Arabia</b>											
Inward	-	22 500	22 423	25 963	25 368	25 576	-	21.5	13.8	13.5	12.1
Outward	239	1 873	1 621	2 120	2 126	2 180	0.2	1.8	1.1	1.1	1.0
<i>Memorandum</i>											
Egypt											
Inward	2 260	11 043	14 690	19 589	20 746	20 983	9.9	25.6	19.8	24.3	26.2
Outward	39	163	350	655	695	716	0.2	0.4	0.7	0.8	0.9
Turkey											
Inward	8 845	11 194	14 977	19 209	17 621	18 196	12.9	7.4	9.4	9.5	7.6
Outward	..	1 157	1 425	3 668	5 047	5 546	..	0.8	1.8	2.7	2.3
West Asia											
Inward	7 281	40 920	51 457	70 418	73 940	78 072	1.5	8.2	9.7	10.2	9.2
Outward	1 925	7 741	7 251	13 504	21 386	25 641	0.9	2.3	2.0	3.1	3.2
Developing economies											
Inward	301 974	547 965	916 697	1 939 926	2 093 569	2 280 171	12.4	14.7	29.3	31.9	31.4
Outward	60 239	128 561	308 624	793 297	796 503	858 681	3.6	3.8	12.4	12.6	12.2
World											
Inward	692 714	1 950 303	2 992 068	6 089 884	7 371 554	8 245 074	6.6	9.3	19.3	23.0	22.9
Outward	559 629	1 758 216	2 897 574	5 983 342	7 209 582	8 196 863	5.8	8.6	19.1	22.6	23.0

Source: UNCTAD, *World Investment Report 2004*; [www.unctad.org/fdistatistics](http://www.unctad.org/fdistatistics)  
For details, see "definitions and sources" in annex B and annex tables B. 1-6 in WIR04.

## Cross-border merger and acquisition overview, 1995-2003

(Millions of dollars)

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
<b>Saudi Arabia</b>									
<b>Sales</b>	8	26	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
<b>Purchases</b>	1 671	350	334	217	3	1 550	39	2 020	473
<i>Memorandum</i>									
Egypt									
<b>Sales</b>	10	171	102	48	738	528	660	335	2 200
<b>Purchases</b>	-	-	-	-	7	213	-	-	3
Turkey									
<b>Sales</b>	188	370	144	71	68	182	1 019	427	282
<b>Purchases</b>	19	356	43	4	88	48	-	38	7
West Asia									
<b>Sales</b>	222	403	368	82	335	970	1 323	458	1 423
<b>Purchases</b>	1 697	1 589	3 797	399	1 538	1 750	454	3 074	1 560
Developing economies									
<b>Sales</b>	16 493	35 727	66 999	82 668	74 030	70 610	85 813	44 532	42 130
<b>Purchases</b>	13 372	29 646	35 210	21 717	63 406	48 496	55 719	27 585	31 234
World									
<b>Sales</b>	186 593	227 023	304 848	531 648	766 044	1 143 816	593 960	369 789	296 988
<b>Purchases</b>	186 593	227 023	304 848	531 648	766 044	1 143 816	593 960	369 789	296 988

Source: UNCTAD, *World Investment Report 2004*; [www.unctad.org/fdistatistics](http://www.unctad.org/fdistatistics)

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### Bilateral investment treaties (BITs) concluded during 1995-2003

Partner	Year
Austria	2001 and 2002
Belgium and Luxembourg	2002
China	1996
France	2002
Germany	1996
Italy	1996
Korea, Republic of	2003
Malaysia	2000
Taiwan Province of China	2000

Source: UNCTAD, BIT/DTT database; [www.unctad.org/fdistatistics](http://www.unctad.org/fdistatistics)

## Country rankings and values of the UNCTAD FDI Performance Index, 1988-1990, 1998-2000, 2001-2003

Inward FDI Performance Index					Outward FDI Performance Index				
Rank <sup>a</sup>	Economy	Value			Rank <sup>a</sup>	Economy	Value		
		1988-1990	1998-2000	2001-2003			1988-1990	1998-2000	2001-2003
135	Zimbabwe	-0.167	0.814	0.069	105	Moldova, Republic of	..	-0.004	0.006
136	Iran, Islamic Republic of	-0.118	0.009	0.061	106	TFYR Macedonia	..	-0.001	0.006
137	Kuwait	0.042	0.047	-0.032	<b>107</b>	<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	<b>0.532</b>	<b>0.017</b>	<b>0.005</b>
<b>138</b>	<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	<b>0.344</b>	<b>0.095</b>	<b>-0.033</b>	108	Haiti	-0.271	0.003	0.004
139	Indonesia	0.794	-0.507	-0.324	109	Tunisia	0.015	0.003	0.002
140	Suriname	-18.691	-0.853	-3.362	110	United Republic of Tanzania	..	0.000	0.002

Source: UNCTAD, *World Investment Report 2004*; [www.unctad.org/fdistatistics](http://www.unctad.org/fdistatistics)

<sup>a</sup> Ranked by the index for 2001-2003.

Note: The FDI Performance Index is the ratio of a country's share in global FDI flows to its share in global GDP.

.. Data not available.

## Country rankings and values of the UNCTAD FDI Potential Index, 1988-1990, 1998-2000, 2000-2002

Inward FDI Potential Index				
Rank <sup>a</sup>	Economy	Value		
		1988-1990	1998-2000	2000-2002
28	Kuwait	0.162	0.293	0.305
29	Bahrain	0.267	0.291	0.304
30	New Zealand	0.280	0.308	0.302
<b>31</b>	<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	<b>0.244</b>	<b>0.313</b>	<b>0.298</b>
32	Malaysia	0.205	0.296	0.292
33	Russian Federation	..	0.281	0.291
34	Malta	0.211	0.283	0.290

Source: UNCTAD, *World Investment Report 2004*; [www.unctad.org/fdistatistics](http://www.unctad.org/fdistatistics)

<sup>a</sup> Ranked by the index for 2000-2002.

Note: The inward FDI Potential Index is based on 12 economic and policy variables.

.. Data not available.

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