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Foreign direct investment (FDI) overview, selected years

(Millions of dollars and percentages)

FDI flows	1990-2000	2003	2004	2005	2006	as a percentage of gross fixed capital formation			
	(Annual average)					1990-2000	2004	2005	2006
						(Annual average)			
Syrian Arab Republic									
Inward	127	180	275	500	600	3.8	5.6	9.3	10.6
Outward	9	57	48	61	55	0.6	1.0	1.1	1.0
<i>Memorandum</i>									
Lebanon									
Inward	449	2 977	1 993	2 751	2 794	10.7	52.0	74.8	72.1
Outward	48	40	213	122	71	1.3	5.6	3.3	1.8
Turkey									
Inward	791	1 752	2 883	9 803	20 120	1.9	5.4	13.8	23.7
Outward	227	499	859	1 078	934	0.6	1.6	1.5	1.1
West Asia									
Inward	2 715	12 361	20 839	41 554	59 902	2.1	10.4	16.7	21.7
Outward	317	- 2 254	8 078	13 413	14 053	-	4.1	5.4	5.1
Asia and Oceania									
Inward	76 700	115 330	170 722	209 127	259 773	8.1	10.3	11.3	12.9
Outward	37 432	22 445	87 516	77 845	117 072	4.0	5.3	4.2	5.8
Developing economies									
Inward	130 722	178 699	283 030	314 316	379 070	9.3	12.9	12.6	13.8
Outward	52 836	45 372	117 336	115 860	174 389	3.8	5.5	4.7	6.4
World									
Inward	495 399	564 078	742 143	945 795	1 305 852	7.8	8.5	10.4	12.6
Outward	492 622	560 087	877 301	837 194	1 215 789	7.9	10.1	9.2	11.8
FDI stocks						as a percentage of gross domestic product			
	1980	1990	2000	2005	2006	1990	2000	2005	2006
Syrian Arab Republic									
Inward	5 560	5 934	7 259	8 439	9 039	53.2	36.9	32.7	28.7
Outward	-	4	105	400	455	-	0.5	1.5	1.4
<i>Memorandum</i>									
Lebanon									
Inward	20	53	4 988	15 497	18 291	1.9	29.9	73.2	80.9
Outward	..	43	586	963	1 034	1.5	3.5	4.5	4.6
Turkey									
Inward	8 845	11 194	19 209	64 433	79 075	7.4	9.6	17.8	19.6
Outward	..	1 157	3 668	8 315	8 866	0.8	1.8	2.3	2.2
West Asia									
Inward	14 463	45 839	68 851	187 961	242 603	9.6	9.4	14.5	16.6
Outward	1 904	7 504	13 861	38 472	42 973	2.2	1.9	3.0	3.0
Asia and Oceania									
Inward	65 461	200 566	1 073 401	1 533 932	1 932 153	9.2	26.5	23.5	24.9
Outward	16 451	66 231	610 344	876 475	1 152 349	3.3	15.4	13.7	15.1
Developing economies									
Inward	140 356	364 683	1 707 639	2 621 615	3 155 856	9.6	25.6	26.3	26.7
Outward	72 433	145 793	858 921	1 284 857	1 600 305	4.2	13.3	13.3	13.9
World									
Inward	551 221	1 779 198	5 810 189	10 048 015	11 998 838	8.4	18.3	22.6	24.8
Outward	599 259	1 815 213	6 209 455	10 578 800	12 474 261	8.7	19.7	24.0	26.1

Source: UNCTAD, *World Investment Report 2007*; www.unctad.org/wir or www.unctad.org/fdistatistics

For details, see "definitions and sources" in annex B and annex tables B. 1-3 in *WIR07*.

Cross-border merger and acquisition overview, 1990-2006

(Millions of dollars)

	Sales				Purchases			
	1990-2000	2004	2005	2006	1990-2000	2004	2005	2006
	(Annual average)				(Annual average)			
Syrian Arab Republic	..	7	-	1 158	..	-	-	577
<i>Memorandum</i>								
Lebanon	..	-	236	-	12	7	-	1 522
Turkey	85	132	13 395	15 303	15	108	8 806	584
West Asia	131	575	14 134	17 857	1 040	1 280	18 221	32 426
Asia and Oceania	4 757	24 820	59 450	72 240	5 531	20 604	53 601	79 789
Developing economies	12 277	53 120	94 101	127 372	8 954	37 925	82 426	122 941
World	117 889	380 598	716 302	880 457	117 889	380 598	716 302	880 457

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Country rankings by Inward FDI Performance Index, Inward FDI Potential Index and Outward FDI Performance Index, 2004-2006^a

Economy	Inward FDI Performance Index		Economy	Inward FDI Potential Index		Economy	Outward FDI Performance Index	
	2005	2006		2004	2005		2005	2006
Brazil	85	93	Peru	91	88	Peru	78	67
Spain	80	94	Jamaica	93	89	Turkey	68	68
Indonesia	106	95	Uruguay	94	90	Thailand	70	69
Finland	90	96	Suriname	95	91	El Salvador	62	70
Myanmar	79	97	Morocco	90	92	Nigeria	72	71
Syrian Arab Republic	102	98	Syrian Arab Repub	89	93	Syrian Arab Repu	71	72
Côte d'Ivoire	97	99	Myanmar	86	94	Costa Rica	86	73
Norway	98	100	Georgia	97	95	Botswana	41	74
Cameroon	91	101	Yemen	92	96	Yemen	69	75
Philippines	109	102	Colombia	100	97	Iran, Islamic Reput	95	76
Slovenia	95	103	Mozambique	96	98	Egypt	81	77

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For details, see annex table A.I.6. in *WIR07*.

Note: Ranking is that of the latest year available. Covering 141 economies. The potential index is based on 12 economic and policy variables.

^a Three-year moving averages, using data for the three previous years, including the year in question.

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