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Foreign direct investment (FDI) overview, selected years

(Millions of dollars and percentages)

FDI flows	1990-2000 (Annual average)	2004	2005	2006	2007	as a percentage of gross fixed capital formation			
						1990-2000 (Annual average)	2005	2006	2007
Bahamas									
Inward	238	632	912	1 159	1 131	16.8	52.0	62.2	57.5
Outward	1	..	..	..	..	-	..	..	..
Memorandum									
Brazil									
Inward	12 000	18 146	15 066	18 822	34 585	9.8	10.7	10.6	15.0
Outward	1 048	9 807	2 517	28 202	7 067	0.9	1.8	15.9	3.1
Jamaica									
Inward	246	602	682	882	779	15.2	22.1	28.0	22.9
Outward	64	60	- 101	- 85	- 45	4.0	- 3.3	- 2.7	- 1.3
Caribbean									
Inward	6 795	31 045	7 351	24 634	22 647	44.2	34.0	95.8	78.2
Outward	7 809	8 833	15 720	18 347	25 405	69.1	85.8	88.0	107.5
Latin America and the Caribbean									
Inward	47 117	94 443	76 412	92 945	126 266	13.2	15.4	15.4	18.0
Outward	13 487	28 027	35 765	63 281	52 336	3.8	7.3	10.6	7.5
Developing economies									
Inward	130 755	283 641	316 444	412 990	499 747	9.2	11.4	12.5	12.6
Outward	52 928	120 008	117 579	212 258	253 145	3.8	4.3	6.5	6.4
World									
Inward	492 605	717 695	958 697	1 411 018	1 833 324	7.7	9.7	12.9	14.8
Outward	492 535	920 151	880 808	1 323 150	1 996 514	7.9	9.0	12.2	16.2
FDI stocks						as a percentage of gross domestic product			
	1990	1995	2000	2006	2007	1990	2000	2006	2007
Bahamas									
Inward	586	742	2 988	7 138	8 268	18.5	59.7	115.0	125.5
Outward	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Memorandum									
Brazil									
Inward	37 143	47 887	122 250	236 186	328 455	8.5	19.0	22.0	25.0
Outward	41 044	44 474	51 946	113 925	129 840	9.4	8.1	10.6	9.9
Jamaica									
Inward	1 295	2 072	3 821	7 801	8 580	30.3	48.4	75.6	76.6
Outward	42	308	709	862	817	1.0	9.0	8.4	7.3
Caribbean									
Inward	8 570	11 279	77 976	158 633	181 254	14.3	86.7	109.8	111.5
Outward	2 120	14 927	89 654	180 640	206 059	14.4	305.3	394.6	401.2
Latin America and the Caribbean									
Inward	110 547	185 123	502 900	945 029	1 140 007	9.9	24.5	30.3	32.4
Outward	58 133	88 172	204 668	430 021	493 213	5.5	10.3	14.2	14.5
Developing economies									
Inward	528 638	851 534	1 738 255	3 303 169	4 246 739	13.6	25.2	26.7	29.8
Outward	144 862	329 400	861 842	1 702 304	2 288 073	4.0	12.9	14.2	16.5
World									
Inward	1 941 252	2 914 356	5 786 700	12 470 085	15 210 560	9.1	18.1	25.5	27.9
Outward	1 785 267	2 941 198	6 148 211	12 756 149	15 602 339	8.5	19.4	26.3	28.9

Source: UNCTAD, *World Investment Report 2008*; www.unctad.org/wir or www.unctad.org/fdistatistics
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Cross-border merger and acquisition overview, 1990-2007

(Millions of dollars)

Region/economy	Sales				Purchases			
	1990-2000 (Annual average)	2005	2006	2007	1990-2000 (Annual average)	2005	2006	2007
Bahamas	266	-	3 127	-	44	8	322	1 814
<i>Memorandum</i>								
Brazil	1 354	7 329	14 166	16 613	385	5 343	24 582	9 858
Jamaica	77	-	67	1 770	10	1	196	1
Caribbean	1 054	3 385	9 433	5 318	630	3 804	2 279	8 027
Latin America and the Caribbean	8 571	29 132	46 138	51 238	4 384	15 244	39 270	47 625
Developing economies	16 531	122 473	171 811	179 221	12 806	90 479	151 605	178 438
World	159 269	929 362	1 118 068	1 637 107	159 269	929 362	1 118 068	1 637 107

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Country rankings by Inward FDI Performance Index and Inward FDI Potential Index, 2005-2007^a

Economy	Inward FDI Performance Index		Economy	Inward FDI Potential Index	
	2006	2007		2005	2006
Hong Kong, China	2	1	Trinidad and Tobago	46	45
Bulgaria	3	2	Kazakhstan	49	46
Iceland	4	3	Cyprus	45	47
Malta	5	4	Belarus	50	48
Bahamas	8	5	Portugal	47	49
Jordan	7	6	Bahamas	38	50
Singapore	6	7	Oman	55	51
Estonia	9	8	Chile	52	52
Georgia	15	9	Slovakia	54	53
Lebanon	13	10	Brunei Darussalam	51	54
Guyana	20	11	Malta	53	55

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For details, see annex table A.I.10. in *WIR08*.

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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