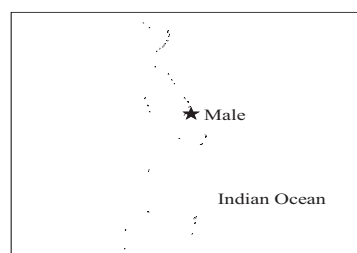


# Maldives



Area ('000 km <sup>2</sup> ):		0.3
Population (millions):	2001	0.3
Capital city:		Male
Official language:		Dhivehi
Currency:		Maldivian rufiyaa
Exchange rate (period average):	2001	Rf12.8=\$1
GDP in current prices (millions of dollars):	2000	556.2
Exports of goods and services (millions of dollars):	2000	457.2
Imports of goods and services (millions of dollars):	2000	462.0
Official development assistance (millions of dollars):	2000	13.3
External debt (millions of dollars):	2000	207

## Inward FDI: geographical breakdown, by source

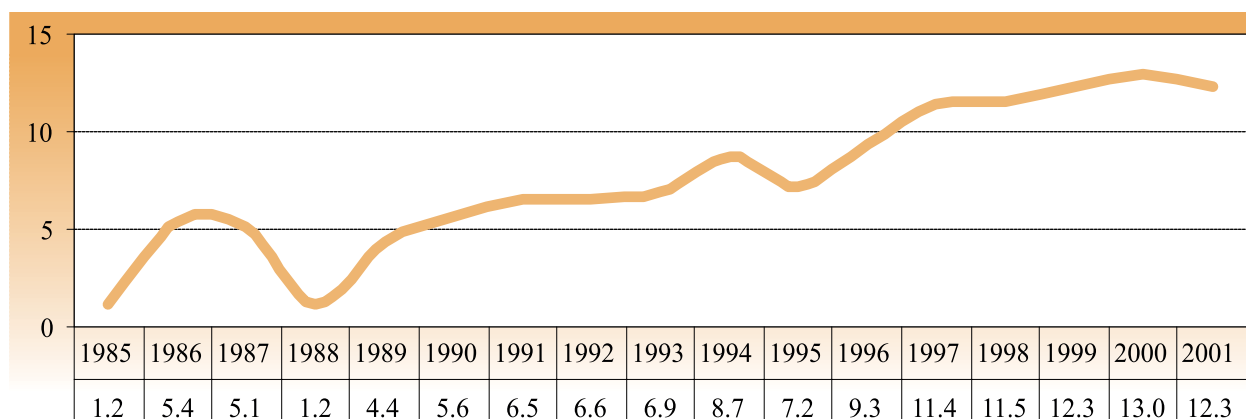
(Millions of dollars)

Region/economy	Inflows	Year	Inward stock	Year
<b>Developed economies</b>				
Belgium/Luxembourg	0.03	1995	..	..
France	-0.4	1996	..	..
Japan	3.1 <sup>a</sup>	1995	17.1 <sup>a</sup>	2000
<b>Developing economies</b>				
Malaysia	0.4	1993	0.3	1998

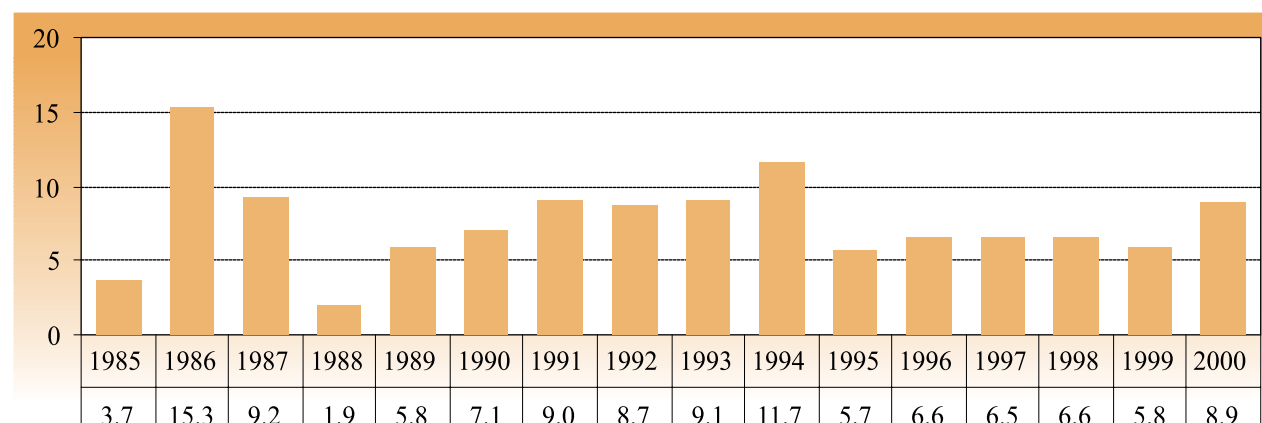
<sup>a</sup> Approval/notified data.

## FDI inflows, 1985-2001

(Millions of dollars)



### FDI inflows as a percentage of gross fixed capital formation, 1985-2000



### Largest cross-border M&A deals, 1987-2001

Acquired company	Industry	Acquiring company	Home economy	Value (\$ million)	Year
Air Maldives	Air transportation and shipping	Malaysian Airline	Malaysia	..	1994

### DTTs, 1 January 2002

Economy	Date of signature
Netherlands	24 June 1994

### Largest foreign affiliates, 2001

Company	Home economy	Industry	Sales (\$ million)	Employment	Year of establishment
Emerald Resort Pvt., Ltd.	Japan	Hotel	6.4 <sup>a</sup>	..	1991
Yeoman Agencies (Maldives) Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	Wines and distilled beverages	..	20	1996
State Bank of India	India	State commercial banks	..	..	1974

<sup>a</sup> Data refer to 1998.

### Other relevant information

- **Membership of relevant international agreements as of June 2002:** TRIMs, GATS, TRIPS
- **Address and website of investment promotion agency:** Foreign Investment Services Bureau (FISB)  
Ministry of Trade and Industries, 1st Floor, Ghaazee Building, Male 20-055  
Tel: (960) 32 36 68; Fax: (960) 32 37 56; Email: trademin@dhivehinet.net.mv; www.investmaldives.com/home.htm
- **Fortune Global 500 investors:** Mitsui
- **Member of WAIPA as of June 2002:** Yes