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**Country Fact Sheet: Mauritania**

**Foreign direct investment overview, selected years**

(Billions of dollars and percentages)

**Foreign direct investment flows**

	1985-1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	<i>as a percentage of gross fixed capital formation</i>			
	(Annual average)					1985-1995	1996	1997	1998
						(Annual average)			
<b>Mauritania</b>									
<b>Inward</b>	0.005	0.005	0.003	-	0.002	2.7	4.0	1.8	0.1
<b>Outward</b>	-	0.005	0.003	0.005	..	0.3	4.0	1.8	2.3
<i>Memorandum</i>									
Mali									
Inward	0.012	0.047	0.074	0.036	0.040	2.7	7.6	12.6	5.7
Outward	..	0.004	0.005	0.027	0.015	..	0.6	0.8	4.3
Nigeria									
Inward	0.921	1.593	1.539	1.051	1.400	25.3	35.4	25.2	12.7
Outward	0.623	0.042	0.058	0.107	0.092	17.1	0.9	1.0	1.3
Africa									
Inward	3.486	5.522	6.896	7.519	8.949	4.9	7.6	8.9	8.8
Outward	0.856	-0.043	1.617	0.648	0.935	1.4	- 0.1	2.7	1.0
Developing countries									
Inward	50.1	145.0	178.8	179.5	207.6	5.1	9.1	10.8	11.5
Outward	20.5	57.8	64.3	33.0	65.6	2.2	3.8	3.8	2.4
World									
Inward	182.6	377.5	473.1	680.1	865.5	4.1	5.9	7.5	11.1
Outward	203.1	390.8	471.9	687.1	799.9	4.8	6.2	7.6	11.5

**Foreign direct investment stocks**

	1985	1990	1995	1998	1999	<i>as a percentage of gross domestic product</i>			
						1985	1990	1995	1998
<b>Mauritania</b>									
<b>Inward</b>	0.033	0.051	0.086	0.094	0.096	4.8	5.0	8.1	10.5
<b>Outward</b>	..	0.003	0.003	0.015	0.015	..	0.2	0.2	1.7
<i>Memorandum</i>									
Mali									
Inward	0.034	0.039	0.163	0.321	0.361	2.8	1.6	6.6	12.1
Outward	0.022	0.022	0.022	0.057	0.072	1.8	0.9	0.9	2.2
Nigeria									
Inward	4.417	8.072	14.065	18.249	19.649	5.5	28.3	50.0	50.5
Outward	5.193	9.653	10.957	11.164	11.256	6.4	33.9	39.0	30.9
Africa									
Inward	29.2	44.1	66.4	84.4	93.1	9.5	12.4	19.9	21.1
Outward	6.8	12.2	14.5	16.3	17.0	2.8	4.5	5.4	4.8
Developing countries									
Inward	218.1	377.4	739.5	1 241.0	1 438.5	9.1	10.5	13.4	20.0
Outward	32.4	81.9	258.3	403.9	468.7	1.6	2.6	4.9	6.7
World									
Inward	763.4	1 761.2	2 743.4	4 015.3	4 772.0	6.7	8.6	9.6	13.7
Outward	707.1	1 716.4	2 870.6	4 065.8	4 759.3	6.4	8.6	10.2	14.1

## Merger and acquisition overview, selected years

(Millions of dollars)

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
<b>Mauritania</b>					
<b>Sales</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Purchases</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Memorandum</i>					
Mali					
Sales	18.0	0.5	-	-	0.4
Purchases	-	-	-	-	-
Nigeria					
Sales	-	-	-	12.0	-
Purchases	2.0	-	-	-	-
Africa					
Sales	200.4	699.6	1 682.3	675.2	591.0
Purchases	52.1	625.4	34.0	163.2	413.9
Developing countries					
Sales	15 965.9	34 699.8	64 573.3	80 755.2	64 550.3
Purchases	12 779.2	28 126.7	32 544.0	19 203.7	41 244.9
World					
Sales	186 592.9	227 022.7	304 847.6	531 648.4	720 109.3
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