

Democratic Republic of the Congo



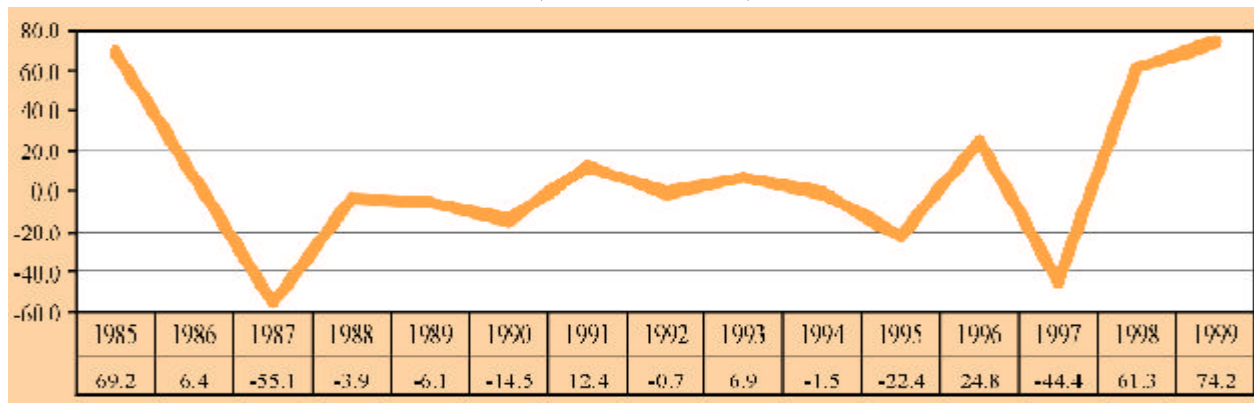
Area ('000 km ²):		2,344.9
Population (millions):	2000	51.7
Capital city:		Kinshasa
Official language:		French
Currency:		New Zaire
Exchange rate (period average):	1998	NZ160,666=\$1
GDP in current prices (millions of dollars):	1998	6,159.7
Exports of goods and services (millions of dollars):	1995	1,607.4
Imports of goods and services (millions of dollars):	1995	1,339.0
Official development assistance (millions of dollars):	1999	87.0
External debt (millions of dollars):	1998	12,929

Inward FDI: geographical breakdown, by source (Millions of dollars)

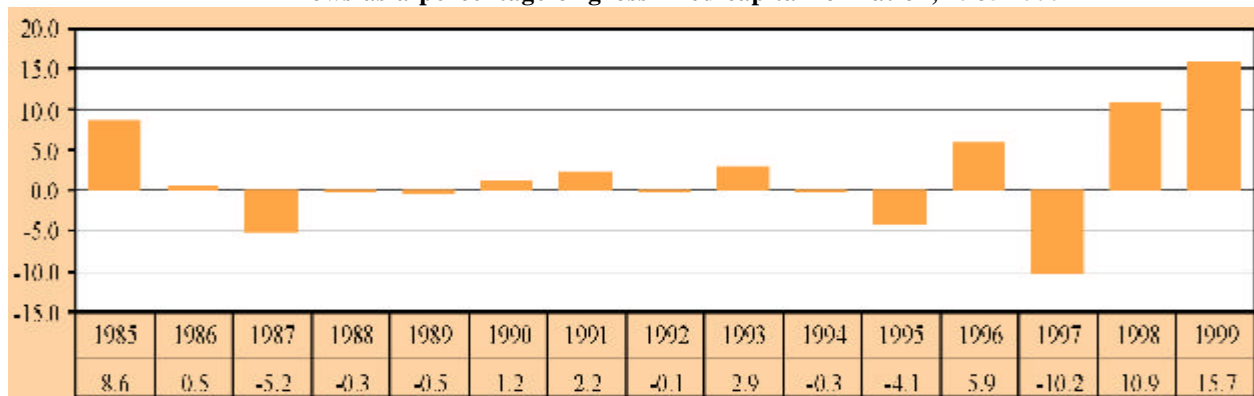
Region/economy	Inflows	Year	Inward stock	Year
France	20.0	1999
Japan	641.7 ^a	1998
United States	-24.0	1999	53.0	1999

^a Approval/notified data.

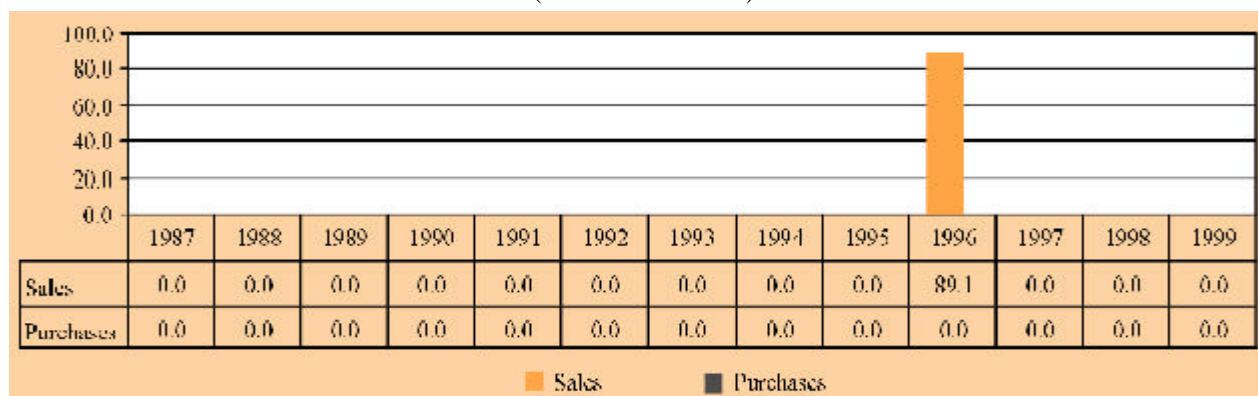
FDI inflows, 1985-1999 (Millions of dollars)



FDI inflows as a percentage of gross fixed capital formation, 1985-1999



Cross-border M&As, sales and purchases, 1987-1999
(Millions of dollars)



Largest cross-border M&A deals, 1987-1999

Acquired company	Industry	Acquiring company	Home economy	Value (\$ million)	Year
UNIBRA-Zaire Breweries	Beverages	Brasseries et Glacieres Intl.	France	89.1	1996
Tenke Holdings Ltd.	Mining	Consolidated Eurocan Ventures	Canada	..	1996

BITs, 1 January 2000

Economy	Date of signature
Belgium/Luxembourg	28 March 1976
China	18 December 1997
Egypt	18 December 1998
France	5 October 1972
Germany	18 March 1969
Greece	26 April 1991
Israel	14 May 1985
Republic of Korea	19 July 1990
Switzerland	10 March 1972
United States	3 August 1984

Largest foreign affiliates, 1999

Company	Home economy	Industry	Sales (\$million)	Employment	Year of establishment
Utex Africa	Belgium	Cotton fabric mills	..	2300	..
Zaire Services Des Entreprises Petrolierers	France	Oil and gas field services	..	2500	..
Zaire Fina S A	France	Petroleum products except bulk terminals	..	250	..
Plantation Lever Au Zaire Sarl	United Kingdom	Drilling oil and gas wells	..	400	..
Japan Petroleum Congo S.A.R.L.	Japan	Research and development relatif to petroleum	1973

Other relevant information

- **Membership of relevant international agreements as of April 2001:** ICSID, MIGA, TRIMs, GATS, TRIPS
- **Address and website of investment promotion agency:** Fonds de Promotion de l'Industrie (FPI)
c/o Présidence de la République, Palais de la Nation, Kinshasa/Gombe
Tel: (243) 88 02 449/12 20 950 Fax: (243) 12 34 342/88 02 000
- **Fortune 500 investors:** Total Fina Elf, Unilever.
- **Member of WAIPA as of March 2001:** Yes