

# World Investment Report 2024

## Investment Facilitation and Digital Government

### Fact Sheet:

### Small island developing states

#### Foreign direct investment (FDI) overview, selected years

(Millions of dollars and per cent)

FDI flows	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2022-2023 Growth rate %	As a percentage of gross capital formation				
							2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
<b>Small island developing states</b>											
Inward	7 143	5 990	6 061	7 263	8 337	14.8	16.9	14.1	15.6	14.7	17.2
Outward	696	186	1 111	1 684	1 849	9.8	1.4	0.3	0.8	0.6	1.6
<i>Memorandum</i>											
SIDs-Oceania											
Inward	445	348	524	249	199	-19.8	27.5	19.8	30.3	12.2	8.5
Outward	- 25	21	38	21	41	100.6	-2.0	1.2	2.3	1.1	2.1
SIDs-Asia											
Inward	722	- 272	224	337	775	130.0	45.6	-25.7	14.1	21.5	45.7
Outward	- 3	- 26	- 26	- 34	- 17	-	-0.7	-8.2	-5.0	-10.6	-4.7
SIDs-LAC											
Inward	5 350	5 421	4 721	5 662	6 223	9.9	15.3	14.9	15.0	13.7	15.7
Outward	677	102	971	1 635	1 821	11.4	1.7	-	0.5	0.5	1.7
SIDs-Africa											
Inward	625	493	592	1 016	1 140	12.2	14.6	16.6	15.7	23.8	26.2
Outward	47	88	128	62	3	-94.9	1.1	3.2	3.6	1.5	0.1
Developing economies											
Inward	773 570	712 181	957 791	995 001	938 148	-5.7	6.7	6.3	7.3	7.3	6.6
Outward	474 943	436 694	570 210	612 717	556 409	-9.2	3.8	3.8	4.2	4.3	3.8
World											
Inward	1 798 320	1 049 776	1 689 634	1 421 199	1 402 544	-1.3	7.7	4.5	6.4	5.2	4.9
Outward	1 520 903	832 729	1 946 305	1 635 874	1 615 731	-1.2	6.4	3.5	7.5	6.0	5.7
<b>As a percentage of gross domestic product</b>											
FDI Stock	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2022-2023 Growth rate %	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
<b>Small island developing states</b>											
Inward	133 317	141 085	148 089	155 252	163 726	5.5	69.2	85.1	77.3	68.8	69.2
Outward	15 243	15 662	18 298	19 815	21 560	8.8	8.2	9.8	9.9	9.1	9.5
<i>Memorandum</i>											
SIDs-Oceania											
Inward	7 715	8 299	8 574	8 515	8 721	2.4	75.6	91.1	96.7	87.4	81.7
Outward	246	275	309	333	369	10.8	2.5	3.2	3.7	3.6	3.7
SIDs-Asia											
Inward	5 868	6 237	6 749	7 710	8 497	10.2	76.7	105.7	74.9	81.7	94.2
Outward	109	83	58	24	7	-72.3	5.3	3.8	1.6	0.7	0.3
SIDs-LAC											
Inward	108 901	115 281	121 637	127 031	133 502	5.1	70.4	85.8	77.5	67.8	68.2
Outward	15 414	15 755	18 325	19 778	21 471	8.6	10.0	11.7	11.7	10.5	11.0
SIDs-Africa											
Inward	10 833	11 268	11 128	11 995	13 006	8.4	53.8	69.1	66.3	63.0	61.8
Outward	- 526	- 451	- 394	- 320	- 287	-	-2.8	-3.0	-2.5	-1.8	-1.5
Developing economies											
Inward	12 798 729	13 408 182	15 890 832	16 438 648	17 422 192	6.0	33.8	36.7	37.7	37.0	38.2
Outward	8 066 265	9 001 014	9 639 323	9 896 809	10 546 364	6.6	23.3	27.1	24.7	23.7	24.6
World											
Inward	37 606 459	43 414 757	48 746 317	46 030 561	50 856 846	10.5	41.4	49.2	48.7	44.3	47.0
Outward	35 380 129	41 097 353	43 829 957	41 074 805	44 950 849	9.4	40.3	48.2	45.1	40.6	42.7

## Cross-border merger and acquisition (M&A) overview, 2020–2023

(Millions of dollars)

Region/economy	Sales (net)					Purchases (net)				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2022-2023 Growth rate %	2020	2021	2022	2023	2022-2023 Growth rate %
<b>Small island developing states</b>	15	395	25	106	319.6	- 351	- 10 737	- 1 963	196	-
<i>Memorandum</i>										
SIDs-Oceania	4	210	-	-	-	-	-	- 358	-	-
SIDs-Asia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SIDs-LAC	3	-	24	106	333.2	28	- 10 873	- 1 782	251	-
SIDs-Africa	8	185	1	-	-	- 378	136	177	- 55	-
Developing economies	86 504	115 361	110 250	77 810	-29.4	71 373	32 584	62 911	74 379	18.2
<b>World</b>	479 244	748 554	716 927	381 087	-46.8	479 244	748 554	716 927	381 200	-46.8

## Announced greenfield investment project overview, 2020–2023

(Millions of dollars)

Region/economy	As destination					As source				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2022-2023 Growth rate %	2020	2021	2022	2023	2022-2023 Growth rate %
<b>Small island developing states</b>	3 320	1 468	4 807	3 694	-23.1	2 010	1 931	2 036	1 421	-30.2
<i>Memorandum</i>										
SIDs-Oceania	-	3	376	772	105.2	1	29	1	-	-
SIDs-Asia	162	154	192	787	310.6	-	1	1	-	-76.9
SIDs-LAC	2 669	1 117	3 960	1 827	-53.9	62	421	857	296	-65.5
SIDs-Africa	488	195	279	308	10.5	1 946	1 481	1 177	1 125	-4.4
Developing economies	296 916	293 678	622 367	750 391	20.6	159 225	148 130	345 131	467 074	35.3
<b>World</b>	640 803	830 662	1 309 648	1 381 406	5.5	640 803	830 662	1 309 648	1 381 406	5.5

Source: UNCTAD, *World Investment Report 2024* (<https://unctad.org/wir> or <https://unctad.org/fdistatistics>).

\*Excluding Caribbean offshore financial centres and special-purpose entities in reporting countries.

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