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Country fact sheet: Saudi Arabia

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Foreign direct investment (FDI) overview, selected years

(Millions of dollars and per cent)

FDI flows	2005–2007 (Pre-crisis annual average)	2014	2015	2016	2017	as a percentage of gross fixed capital formation			
						2005–2007 (Pre-crisis annual average)	2015	2016	2017
Saudi Arabia									
Inward	18 236	8 012	8 141	7 453	1 421	22.9	4.2	4.5	0.8
Outward	- 175	5 396	5 390	8 936	5 625	-0.2	2.8	5.4	3.2
<i>Memorandum</i>									
Turkey									
Inward	17 421	12 739	17 717	12 942	10 864	10.9	6.9	5.1	4.4
Outward	1 365	6 670	4 811	2 746	2 630	0.9	1.9	1.1	1.1
United Arab Emirates									
Inward	12 631	11 072	8 551	9 605	10 354	28.5	8.9	9.7	9.6
Outward	9 737	11 736	16 692	12 964	13 956	22.0	17.3	13.1	12.9
West Asia									
Inward	63 846	31 458	30 150	30 759	25 506	16.9	4.0	4.2	3.3
Outward	23 005	22 825	40 698	37 458	33 281	6.1	5.4	5.2	4.4
Asia and Oceania									
Inward	291 371	462 248	518 166	477 270	477 549	10.7	6.7	6.2	5.9
Outward	160 343	413 358	359 765	386 097	351 369	5.9	4.7	5.0	4.3
Developing economies *									
Inward	419 061	685 292	744 032	670 158	670 658	11.6	8.0	7.4	7.0
Outward	196 092	457 994	406 237	406 668	380 775	5.4	4.4	4.5	4.0
World *									
Inward	1 415 431	1 338 532	1 921 306	1 867 533	1 429 807	11.4	10.4	10.1	7.4
Outward	1 451 593	1 262 007	1 621 890	1 473 283	1 429 972	11.7	8.8	8.0	7.4
FDI stock						as a percentage of gross domestic product			
	1995	2014	2015	2016	2017	1995	2015	2016	2017
Saudi Arabia									
Inward	17 056	215 909	224 050	231 502	232 228	11.9	34.4	36.2	32.8
Outward	2 847	44 699	63 121	73 973	79 598	2.0	9.7	11.6	11.3
<i>Memorandum</i>									
Turkey									
Inward	14 933	183 038	158 108	143 199	180 697	6.4	18.4	16.7	22.8
Outward	1 418	39 569	35 673	38 702	41 403	0.6	4.2	4.5	5.2
United Arab Emirates									
Inward	1 770	101 424	109 975	119 580	129 934	2.8	29.7	32.2	31.9
Outward	710	80 838	97 530	110 494	124 449	1.1	26.3	29.8	30.6
West Asia									
Inward	43 339	706 789	700 334	709 260	765 532	5.3	22.3	23.1	28.6
Outward	9 181	278 178	315 096	348 893	374 570	1.8	10.2	11.5	14.2
Asia and Oceania									
Inward	574 109	5 730 319	6 045 019	6 394 800	7 292 268	14.6	27.0	28.2	31.4
Outward	211 713	4 263 570	4 691 508	5 110 895	5 719 791	6.0	21.2	22.8	24.8
Developing economies *									
Inward	842 659	8 452 641	8 677 872	9 234 028	10 353 481	13.0	29.1	30.9	33.6
Outward	312 372	5 210 405	5 644 300	6 130 830	6 898 384	5.2	19.2	20.9	22.7
World *									
Inward	3 564 636	25 378 774	25 664 955	27 663 091	31 524 356	11.1	34.1	36.3	40.4
Outward	3 993 675	25 128 561	25 514 309	26 825 621	30 837 927	12.8	34.2	35.5	39.8

Source: UNCTAD, *World Investment Report 2018*; <http://unctad.org/wir> or <http://unctad.org/fdistatistics>.

* Excluding Caribbean offshore financial centres.

