

World Investment Report 2026

International investment in a turbulent era

Fact Sheet:

Developing Asia

Foreign direct investment (FDI) overview, selected years

(Millions of dollars and per cent)

FDI flows	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2024-2025 Growth rate %	As a percentage of gross capital formation				
							2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Developing Asia											
Inward	667 672	673 679	624 167	622 901	644 014	3.4	5.6	5.7	5.2	5.0	1.6
Outward	456 066	469 963	466 231	546 703	613 031	12.1	4.3	4.4	4.2	4.8	1.6
<i>Memorandum</i>											
East Asia											
Inward	333 923	316 531	296 042	269 733	238 200	-11.7	4.2	4.2	3.9	3.5	3.0
Outward	289 966	285 931	299 263	317 394	316 336	-0.3	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.1	4.0
South-East Asia											
Inward	206 624	219 840	200 688	222 495	244 165	9.7	23.3	23.9	20.4	21.9	22.4
Outward	89 404	84 468	91 493	82 973	117 816	42.0	10.4	9.4	9.6	8.4	11.1
South Asia											
Inward	51 405	55 674	34 446	34 062	46 123	35.4	4.2	4.2	2.4	2.3	0.2
Outward	17 705	15 906	14 060	24 558	36 149	47.2	1.5	1.2	1.0	1.7	0.2
West Asia											
Inward	69 292	71 809	86 322	92 179	110 558	19.9	4.0	3.6	4.7	4.7	1.5
Outward	57 487	85 488	60 342	125 340	141 922	13.2	9.6	10.3	6.7	11.9	2.4
Central Asia											
Inward	6 428	9 825	6 670	4 432	4 967	12.1	8.2	11.5	5.9	3.3	3.0
Outward	1 504	-1 831	1 073	-3 563	809	-	2.1	-2.3	1.0	-3.2	0.6
World*											
Inward	1 777 123	1 437 432	1 320 858	1 531 691	1 624 259	6.0	6.7	5.2	4.6	5.3	2.8
Outward	1 884 784	1 535 101	1 227 404	1 651 395	1 863 570	12.8	7.5	5.9	4.5	6.0	3.3
As a percentage of gross domestic product											
FDI Stock	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2024-2025 Growth rate %	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Developing Asia											
Inward	10 399 968	10 683 182	11 198 094	11 850 580	13 436 180	13.4	34.1	33.8	34.8	35.3	39.3
Outward	7 517 891	7 690 603	8 167 077	8 762 791	10 586 115	20.8	24.8	24.3	25.3	26.1	30.9
<i>Memorandum</i>											
East Asia											
Inward	5 788 024	5 705 307	5 875 469	6 234 432	6 595 265	5.8	29.9	29.3	30.2	31.2	32.1
Outward	5 249 118	5 195 512	5 508 114	5 920 884	6 645 720	12.2	27.1	26.7	28.3	29.6	32.4
South-East Asia											
Inward	2 954 176	3 136 725	3 406 393	3 581 980	4 692 311	31.0	86.9	85.2	89.7	90.6	113.8
Outward	1 449 863	1 581 556	1 672 896	1 710 469	2 658 255	55.4	43.6	43.9	44.9	44.1	65.8
South Asia											
Inward	649 994	640 367	671 978	691 600	711 233	2.8	14.9	13.6	13.6	13.1	13.8
Outward	216 246	231 931	245 762	270 122	306 209	13.4	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.2	6.0
West Asia											
Inward	794 988	982 453	1 021 437	1 115 174	1 201 810	7.8	26.5	29.2	29.0	29.6	31.1
Outward	585 648	663 864	722 065	844 985	955 890	13.1	19.8	18.3	19.3	21.1	23.4
Central Asia											
Inward	212 786	218 329	222 817	227 394	235 562	3.6	60.2	52.4	47.5	44.3	42.3
Outward	17 016	17 741	18 239	16 331	20 040	22.7	5.8	5.2	4.7	3.8	4.3
World*											
Inward	46 552 115	43 703 488	47 715 403	50 525 882	57 834 319	14.5	47.6	43.0	45.0	45.9	51.2
Outward	37 556 504	35 775 838	38 253 953	39 493 293	46 022 250	16.5	38.7	35.4	36.2	36.0	40.9

