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**FDI 2017-18 highlights**

**Foreign direct investment (FDI)**

*United Kingdom*

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<td>Total projects</td>
<td>2,265</td>
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<td>- Involved projects</td>
<td>1,859</td>
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<td>New jobs</td>
<td>75,226</td>
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<td>Safeguarded jobs</td>
<td>32,672</td>
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**FDI projects in the UK**

*2013-14 — 2017-18*

- Projects by existing investors in the UK: 1,250
- Projects by investors new to the UK: 822

Source: Department for International Trade
New jobs created in the UK
2013-14 — 2017-18

Types of foreign direct investment (FDI)
United Kingdom

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<th>Types of investment projects</th>
<th>2013-14</th>
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<td>New investments</td>
<td>820</td>
<td>1,058</td>
<td>1,130</td>
<td>1,237</td>
<td>1,179</td>
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<td>Expansions (including Retentions)</td>
<td>677</td>
<td>740</td>
<td>821</td>
<td>822</td>
<td>714</td>
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<td>Mergers and Acquisitions (including Joint Ventures)</td>
<td>276</td>
<td>190</td>
<td>262</td>
<td>206</td>
<td>179</td>
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<td>Total projects</td>
<td>1,773</td>
<td>1,988</td>
<td>2,213</td>
<td>2,265</td>
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New projects and jobs from FDI into the UK

Northern Ireland
28 Projects
1,251 New jobs

Wales
57 Projects
3,107 New jobs

London
740 Projects
17,478 New jobs

Source: Department for International Trade
Note: 61 multiple location projects associated with 15,029 new jobs are not included.
### Scotland

141 Projects  
4,148 New jobs

### England (excl. London)

1,045 Projects  
34,955 New jobs

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<td>North East</td>
<td>69</td>
<td>2,379</td>
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<td>North West</td>
<td>139</td>
<td>3,689</td>
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<td>Yorkshire and The Humber</td>
<td>107</td>
<td>4,623</td>
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<td>East Midlands</td>
<td>72</td>
<td>3,714</td>
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<td>West Midlands</td>
<td>171</td>
<td>9,424</td>
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<td>East of England</td>
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<td>London</td>
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<td>South East</td>
<td>294</td>
<td>5,238</td>
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<td>South West</td>
<td>99</td>
<td>3,653</td>
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Top source markets for FDI projects into the UK

**Canada**
- 85 Projects
- 2,114 New jobs
- 1,156 Safeguarded jobs

**United States**
- 514 Projects
- 26,570 New jobs
- 3,572 Safeguarded jobs

**Spain**
- 54 Projects
- 2,229 New jobs
- 949 Safeguarded jobs

**Italy**
- 95 Projects
- 1,343 New jobs
- 2,698 Safeguarded jobs

**Rest of Americas**
- 54 Projects
- 1,459 New jobs
- 0 Safeguarded jobs

**Rest of Asia Pacific c**
- 62 Projects
- 1,365 New jobs

**Rest of Europe, Middle East & Africa**
- 238 Projects
- 5,627 New jobs
- 150 Safeguarded jobs

**Nordic & Baltic region**
- 138 Projects
- 2,537 New jobs
- 1,670 Safeguarded jobs

Source: Department for International Trade

c: Indicates data for safeguarded jobs are disclosive
Netherlands
56 Projects
2,204 New jobs
65 Safeguarded jobs

Germany
127 Projects
9,357 New jobs
704 Safeguarded jobs

Switzerland
51 Projects
1,458 New jobs

Japan
116 Projects
2,878 New jobs
1,133 Safeguarded jobs

Australia & New Zealand
95 Projects
2,474 New jobs

India
120 Projects
5,659 New jobs
532 Safeguarded jobs

China & Hong Kong
125 Projects
2,063 New jobs
815 Safeguarded jobs
# Sector results 2017-18

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<td>Advanced engineering and supply chain</td>
<td>147</td>
<td>2,920</td>
<td>1,159</td>
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<td>Aerospace</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>1,511</td>
<td>1,892</td>
<td>3,403</td>
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<td>Automotive</td>
<td>108</td>
<td>4,133</td>
<td>2,925</td>
<td>7,058</td>
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<td>Biotechnology and pharmaceuticals</td>
<td>74</td>
<td>2,025</td>
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<td>7,724</td>
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<td>Business and consumer services</td>
<td>160</td>
<td>7,467</td>
<td>257</td>
<td>7,924</td>
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<td>Chemicals and agriculture</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>820</td>
<td>1,087</td>
<td>1,907</td>
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<td>Creative and media</td>
<td>121</td>
<td>2,201</td>
<td>153</td>
<td>2,354</td>
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<td>Electronics and communications</td>
<td>112</td>
<td>6,948</td>
<td>1,054</td>
<td>8,002</td>
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Source: Department for International Trade

Sectors are built up from categories defined in DIT’s internal database, see gov.uk for further information.

c: Indicates data for safeguarded jobs are disclosive and therefore total jobs have not been provided.
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