

Department for
International Trade
**Inward Investment
Results 2016-17**



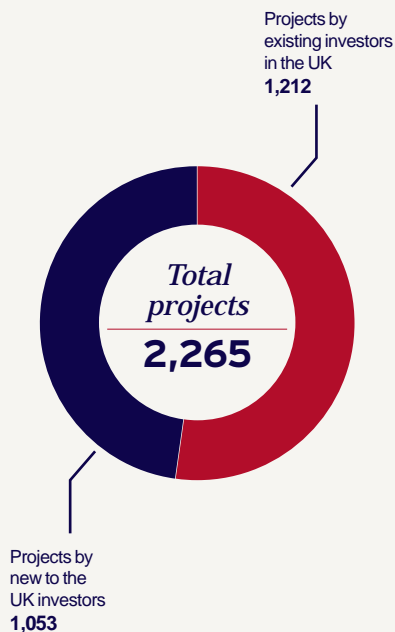
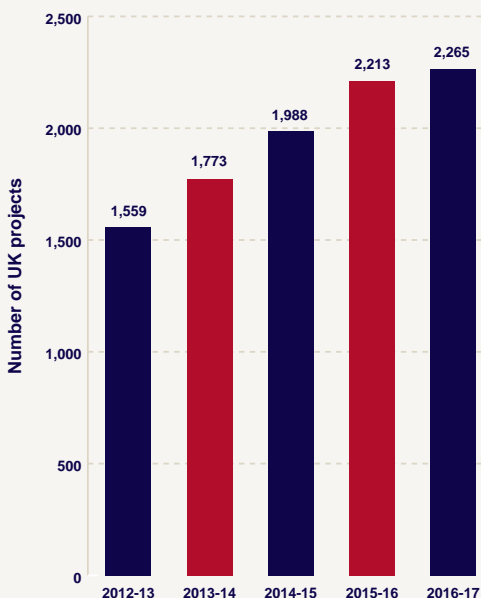
 **INVEST
IN
GREAT**
BRITAIN & NORTHERN IRELAND

FDI 2016-17 highlights

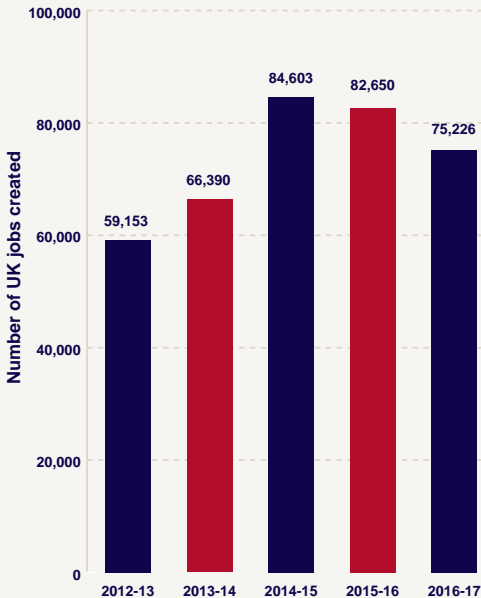
Foreign direct investment (FDI) *United Kingdom*

	2015-16	2016-17	% change
Total projects	2,213	2,265	2%
- Involved projects	1,731	1,859	7%
Total jobs	115,974	107,898	-7%
- New jobs	82,650	75,226	-9%
- Safe jobs	33,324	32,672	-2%

FDI projects in the UK *2012-13 – 2016-17*



New jobs created in the UK 2012-13 – 2016-17



*DIT
supported
projects*
1,859

Total jobs
107,898

Types of foreign direct investment (FDI) *United Kingdom*

Types of investment projects	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	% change
New investments	777	820	1,058	1,130	1,237	9%
Expansions	577	677	740	821	782	-5%
Mergers and Acquisitions (including Joint Ventures)	205	276	190	262	246	-6%
Total projects	1,559	1,773	1,988	2,213	2,265	2%

New projects and jobs from FDI into the UK

Northern Ireland

34 Projects
1,622 New jobs

Wales

85 Projects
2,581 New jobs

London

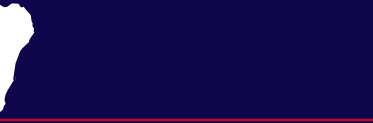
891 Projects
20,753 New jobs





Scotland

183 Projects
5,547 New jobs



England (excl London)

1,016 Projects
35,816 New jobs



English Regions	FDI projects	New Jobs
North East	69	4,609
North West	147	6,501
Yorkshire and the Humber	132	3,872
East Midlands	74	1,796
West Midlands	151	6,570
East of England	125	3,634
London	891	20,753
South East	217	5,432
South West	101	3,402



Top source markets for FDI projects into the UK

Ireland

56 Projects
2,914 New jobs
752 Safeguarded jobs

France

131 Projects
5,831 New jobs
2,182 Safeguarded jobs

Canada

72 Projects
1,788 New jobs
122 Safeguarded jobs

United States

557 Projects
24,607 New jobs
7,197 Safeguarded jobs

Spain

70 Projects
1,789 New jobs
1,152 Safeguarded jobs

Italy

99 Projects
1,482 New jobs
167 Safeguarded jobs

Rest of Americas

59 Projects
1,080 New jobs
205 Safeguarded jobs

Rest of Asia Pacific

82 Projects
1,896 New jobs
394 Safeguarded jobs

Rest of Europe, Middle East & Africa

261 Projects
6,867 New jobs
923 Safeguarded jobs

Nordic & Baltic region

146 Projects
4,417 New jobs
976 Safeguarded jobs

Netherlands 

53 Projects
2,292 New jobs
546 Safeguarded jobs

Germany 

100 Projects
5,802 New jobs
426 Safeguarded jobs

Switzerland 

49 Projects
1,428 New jobs
643 Safeguarded jobs

Japan 

116 Projects
3,511 New jobs
6,095 Safeguarded jobs

Australia & New Zealand 

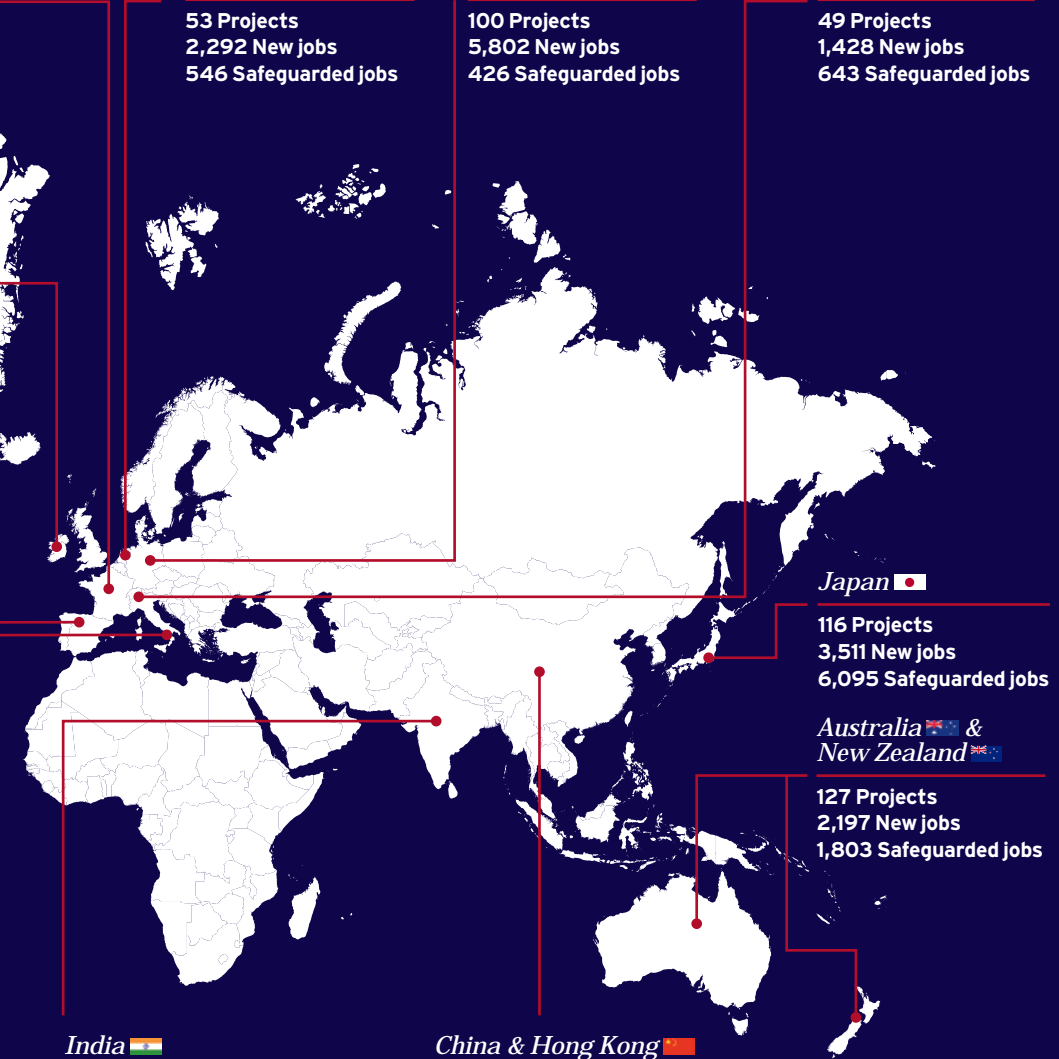
127 Projects
2,197 New jobs
1,803 Safeguarded jobs

India 

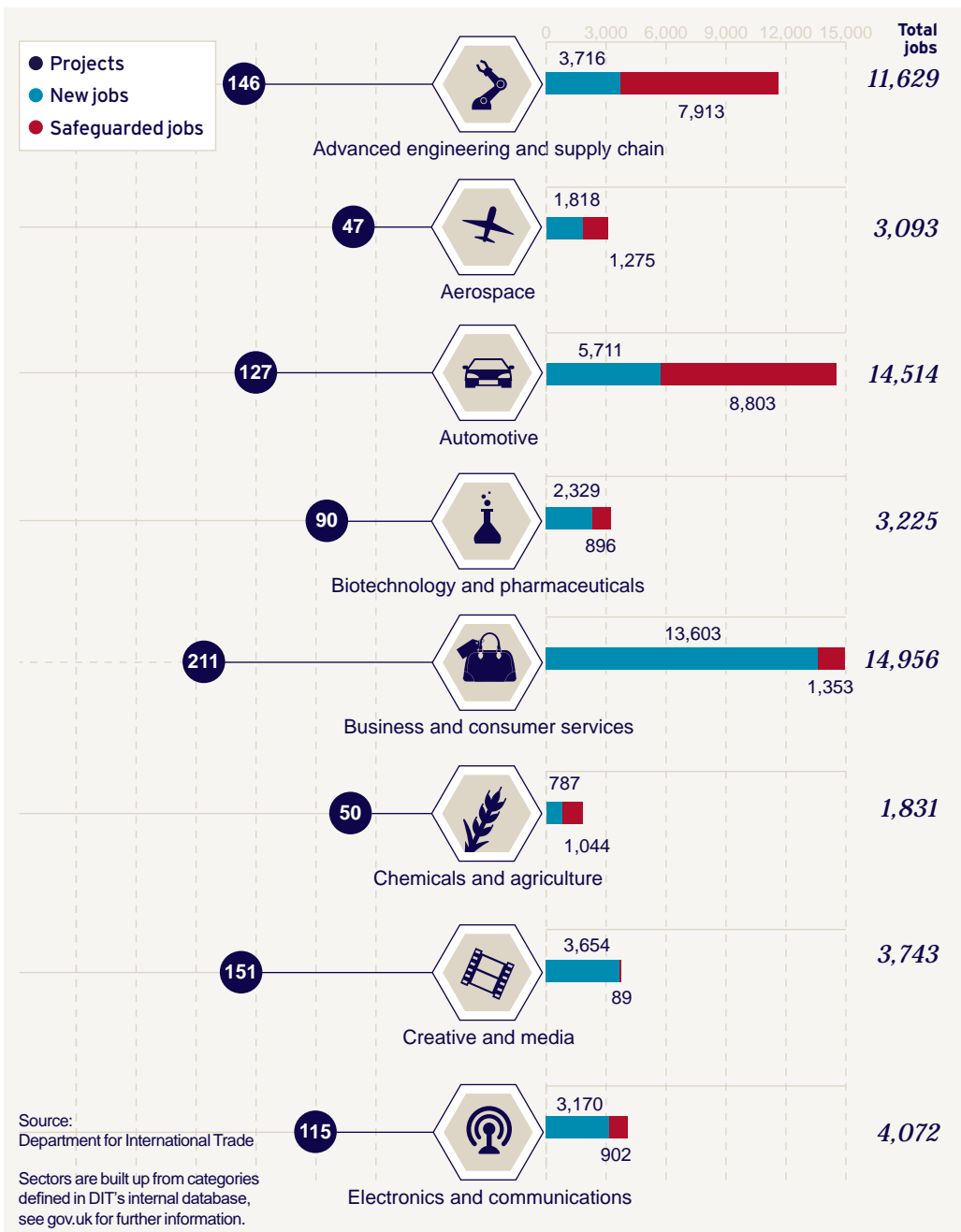
127 Projects
3,999 New jobs
7,645 Safeguarded jobs

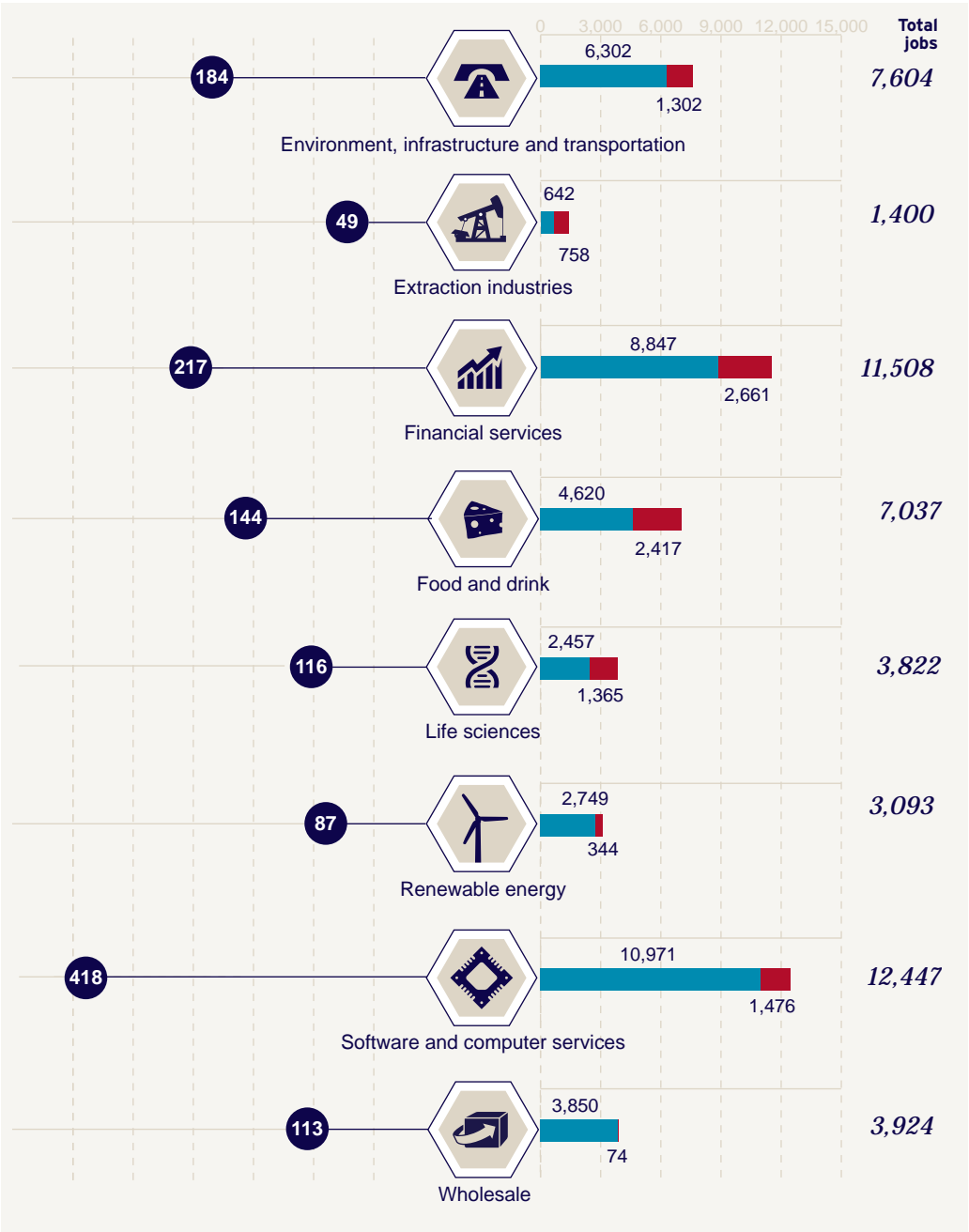
China & Hong Kong 

160 Projects
3,326 New jobs
1,444 Safeguarded jobs



Sector results 2016-17





How Department for International Trade can help you.





Whether you are a start-up, a medium-sized or family business, a corporate or an institutional investor, Department for International Trade (DIT) supports the realisation of your international business ambitions.

DIT offers flexible support packages for every aspect of your investment. Our service doesn't stop once you are based in the UK – it continues as your business expands internationally. We have helped thousands of businesses locate and expand in the UK. We listen to their feedback to help strengthen and improve our services.



Not sure which country is best for your business?

Comparing the benefits of locating in different countries is complicated. It is our job to explain the business environment in competitor countries. We provide the detailed factual information and market insights that let you draw meaningful conclusions about the UK's competitiveness.



Already established here, but looking to expand your business?

We can help you develop the relationships that enable expansion in the UK and exports to European and global markets. This could include: connecting you with innovation support for new products and services; using our overseas network to increase your exports; or helping you access finance.



Already decided to bring your business to the UK?

We help you set up business quickly and efficiently, saving valuable time and money by guiding you through essential steps such as choosing the right location, finding premises, recruiting staff and connecting with the value chain. We have specialists covering all the industry sectors, as well as key issues such as visas, taxation, skills, planning permission and financial analysis.

Contact

Department for International Trade

DIT's services to international investors in the UK are free of charge and commercial-in-confidence.

Contact DIT's Investment Services Team

**invest.great.gov.uk/int/contact
or via email at enquiries@ukti-invest.com
or by telephone +44(0) 207 000 9012.**

Investment staff at a British embassy, high commission or trade office can also put investors in touch with the Investment Services Team.

Methodology and Quality Report

Overview and background

As the government department responsible for promoting inward investment, DIT has a responsibility to record and report accurate information about all inward investment projects successfully landing in the UK during the financial year. This 2016-17 report is published for the first time as Official Statistics.



Methodology and production

Data and information related to investment projects is recorded on an internal database which is accessible by teams across the DIT network, e.g. overseas posts, UK regions and local partners.

All parties involved in a project are responsible to enter the necessary data on to the system following agreed operating principles and definitions. When this is finalised (i.e. when revenue generating activities have begun), the record undergoes a strict verification process where an independent team reviews the information attached to each project (eligibility, value of investment, jobs created etc.) to check for quality, accuracy and consistency of data.

All projects must meet the same established standards and criteria to be classified as a success, and there must be sufficient evidence recorded showing that the investment decision has been made, the UK company is fully registered, and that the company has started activities on the UK site. There is a range of evidence used to support each claim ranging from public press announcements to confirmation of details from the investor.

Figures about recorded FDI projects include those investments which received support from DIT and/or one of its regional and local partners (involved projects), as well as non-involved projects, meaning those projects which have landed in the UK without any involvement from DIT or partners.

Various external sources and FDI project and company databases have been used to identify, qualify and report eligible non-involved FDI projects.

Relevance

This report has been published to ensure that there is a publicly available record showing numbers of inward investment projects into the UK for the latest financial year. It also serves to present some of the functions and processes that the department adopts to promote and record this investment.

Accuracy and definitions

FDI is a cross-border investment made by a non-UK resident entity where the direct investor acquires at least 10% of the voting power or ownership. All FDI projects reported have been subject to a strict, independent verification process and have evidence to show the investment has taken place. Job figures included in this report are estimates, made at the start of each investment project and are provided by the investor. New jobs capture total jobs likely to be created within 3 years from the start of the project. Safeguarded jobs include those jobs which were retained as a result of the additional/new inward investment.

Timeliness and punctuality

Following the final verification of 2016-17 FDI projects, information is released into the public domain as soon as full quality assurance processes have been carried out. Data is based on projects landing on a financial year basis.

Accessibility and clarity

The DIT Inward Investment Results 2016-17 report presents key points including market, sector and regional breakdowns. For further detailed breakdowns and comparisons with 2015-16 please see gov.uk.

Coherence and comparability

DIT's definition of FDI projects covers a wide range of investment, including those projects which are not announced by companies. This and other differences in methodology and verification processes explains the difference in the FDI project numbers published by DIT and other organisations, such as Financial Times and Ernst & Young. Whereas these DIT statistics record the number of FDI projects and jobs created/safeguarded, ONS statistics are the official source for the value of FDI flows on stocks and earnings at the UK level. See www.ons.gov.uk for further information.



Department for
International Trade

invest.great.gov.uk

Department for International Trade

The UK's Department for International Trade (DIT) has overall responsibility for promoting UK trade across the world and attracting foreign investment to our economy. We are a specialised government body with responsibility for negotiating international trade policy, supporting business, as well as delivering an outward-looking trade diplomacy strategy.

Disclaimer

Whereas every effort has been made to ensure that the information in this document is accurate, the Department for International Trade accept liability for any errors, omissions or misleading statements, and no warranty is given or responsibility accepted as to the standing of any individual, firm, company or other organisation mentioned.

© Crown Copyright 2017

You may re-use this information free of charge in any format or medium, strictly in accordance with the terms of the Open Government Licence.

To view this licence, visit:

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence

or email: psi@nationalarchives.gsi.gov.uk.

Where we have identified any third party copyright information in the material that you wish to use, you will need to obtain permission from the copyright holder(s) concerned.

Published July 2017
by Department for International Trade