

Foreign Direct Investment from South Africa to the United States

South African FDI in the United States

The total stock of foreign direct investment (FDI) from South Africa to the United States is \$3.65 billion. South Africa is largest source of FDI from Africa to the United States, and accounts for over 92% of all African FDI to the United States. The country is also the 19th fastest growing source of FDI to the United States with a compound annual growth rate of 9.97% from 2008 to 2013. In the United States, FDI from South Africa provides:

New Jobs: U.S. subsidiaries of South Africa firms employed over 4,200 U.S. workers in 2012, with an average yearly compensation of \$112,619.

More Sales: South African-owned firms in the United States experienced sales of \$5.13 billion in 2012.

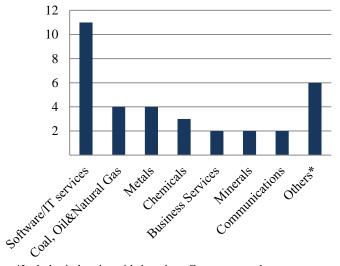
Rank	Largest Sources: FDI in the United States	2013 Position (Millions USD)	
1	United Kingdom	540,489	
2	Japan	344,143	
3	Canada	280,536	
4	Germany	278,283	
5	France	238,977	
6	Switzerland	140,142	
7	Netherlands	137,333	
8	Ireland	117,090	
9	Spain	52,085	
10	Australia	51,709	
11	Sweden	48,582	
12	Norway	40,986	
13	Italy	38,445	
14	Belgium	34,260	
15	Mexico	32,878	

U.S.- South Africa Bilateral FDI: Annual Flows and Position (in USD billions)

Foreign Direct Investment Position	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013		
U.S. FDI in South Africa	5,447	6,017	5,870	5,510	5,207		
South African FDI in the United States (by UBO)*	2,136	2,998	2,874	3,119	3,647		
Foreign Direct Investment Flows	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013		
U.S. FDI in South Africa	1,088	447	639	341	298		
South African FDI in the United States	-217	126	261	146	525		

^{*}Ultimate Beneficial Owner

Announced FDI Projects from South Africa to the United States by Sector, 2003 - 2015



*Includes industries with 1 project: Consumer products, Financial Services, and four others.

Announced FDI Projects in The United States

Between January 2003 and January 2015, 34 investment projects were announced by South African firms in the United States. The Software & IT Services sector comprises of over one-third of all FDI projects in the United States from South Africa, making it the largest sector. Examples of projects:

March 2014 — South Africa-based *Entersekt*, a security software solution provider, established its U.S. headquarters in Atlanta, where it will coordinate the firm's offering of authentication technology to U.S. clients.

May 2012 – *Element Six*, a subsidiary of synthetic diamond company *De Beers*, opened a manufacturing facility in Santa Clara, CA. In July 2013, Element Six announced that it had expanded its global manufacturing capabilities in the Santa Clara plant by 60 percent.

November 2012 — In November 2012, the South African energy company *Sasol* announced a \$8.9 billion investment in Louisiana, one of the largest foreign direct investments in the history of the United States. The integrated gas-to-liquids (GTL) and ethane cracker complex will create 1,253 permanent jobs, with many more indirect temporary construction and long-term jobs.

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