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Introduction

SCAD has prepared estimates of the stock of foreign direct investment in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi as at the end of 2016. This publication provides up-to-date, accurate, and unbiased official statistics as one of the most important pillars of the planning process and overall sustainable development. It supports decision makers and contributes to the achievement of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi vision for its long-term development.

The methodology adopted to estimate foreign direct investment statistics are based on:

A- Actual data from annual surveys for the time series available in SCAD for foreign investment from 2007 to 2015, resulting from annual surveys.

B- The available data on annual disclosures available for some foreign investment companies along with published data on releases of some companies, in addition to data from the foreign investment questionnaire for 2016

This publication provides commentary on the stock of foreign direct investment by economic activity statistics alongside analytical tables and graphs and info-graphics.

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) by Economic Activity

The estimates of FDI in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi increased by 8.0% from AED 88,095 million at the end of 2015 to AED 95,145 million at the end of 2016. This increase could mainly be attributed to the 'Manufacturing' activity, which attracted FDI worth AED 19,182 million at the end of 2016, compared with AED 17,204 million at the end of 2015, while its share of total FDI rose from 19.5% to 20.2% over the same period.

FDI in the 'Real estate' activity (including real estate sales to non-residents) increased from AED 23,793 million or 27.0% of total FDI at the end of 2015 to AED 24,007 million or 25.2% of total FDI at the end of 2016.

The 'Financial institutions and insurance' activity increased from AED 13,338 million or 15.1 % of total FDI at the end of 2015 to AED 14,672 million or 15.4% of total FDI at the end of 2016, with a 10.0% growth rate.

'Mining and quarrying' (including crude oil and natural gas) increased from AED 8,354 million or 9.5% of total FDI at the end of 2015 to AED 9,273 million or 9.7% at the end of 2016, with an 11% growth rate.

Total



2016*	2015
24,007	23,793
19,182	17,204
14,672	13,338
11,413	10,190
9,273	8,354
6,825	6,379
3,840	3,523
3,597	3,198
1,008	908
637	559
421	393
141	139
93	86
27	24
9	8

Stock of Foreign Direct Investment by Economic Activity

Activities

- Real estate **
- Manufacturing
- Financial and insurance
- Electricity, gas, and water supply; waste management
- Mining and quarrying (includes crude oil and natural gas)
- Construction
- Transportation and storage
- Professional, scientific and technical
- Administrative and support services
- Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles
- Education
- Information and communication
- Arts, recreation and other services
- Accommodation and food services
- Human health and social work

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

Note1: Figures may not sum to totals due to rounding

** Includes real estate sales to non-residents

* Preliminary Estimates

Statistical Tables

Table 1: Stock of Foreign Direct Investment by economic activity

(Value in million AED)

Activities	2014	2015	2016**
Total	81,112	88,095	95,145
Mining and quarrying (includes crude oil and natural gas)	7,045	8,354	9,273
Manufacturing	15,502	17,204	19,182
Electricity, gas, and water supply; waste management	8,279	10,190	11,413
Construction	7,281	6,379	6,825
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	295	559	637
Transportation and storage	1,850	3,523	3,840
Accommodation and food services	18	24	27
Information and communication	151	139	141
Financial institutions and insurance	12,731	13,338	14,672
Real estate *	23,513	23,793	24,007
Professional, scientific and technical	3,015	3,198	3,597
Administrative and support services	875	908	1,008
Education	460	393	421
Human health and social work	12	8	9
Arts, recreation and other services	85	86	93

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

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Table 2: Foreign Direct Investment flows by economic activity

(Value in million AED)

Activities	2014	2015	2016**
Total	9,181	6,983	7,050
Mining and quarrying (includes crude oil and natural gas)	(222)	1,309	919
Manufacturing	2,459	1,702	1,978
Electricity, gas, and water supply; waste management	1,375	1,911	1,223
Construction	1,390	(902)	447
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	2	264	78
Transportation and storage	(142)	1,674	317
Accommodation and food services	4	6	3
Information and communication	6	(12)	1
Financial institutions and insurance	2,594	607	1,334
Real estate *	(86)	280	214
Professional, scientific and technical	1,233	182	400
Administrative and support services	520	33	100
Education	8	(67)	28
Human health and social work	1	(3)	0
Arts, recreation and other services	39	0	8

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

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Table 3: Percentage distribution of Foreign Direct Investment stock by economic activity
(%)

Activities	2014	2015	2016**
Total	100	100	100
Mining and quarrying (includes crude oil and natural gas)	8.7	9.5	9.7
Manufacturing	19.1	19.5	20.2
Electricity, gas, and water supply; waste management	10.2	11.6	12.0
Construction	9.0	7.2	7.2
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	0.4	0.6	0.7
Transportation and storage	2.3	4.0	4.0
Information and communication	0.2	0.2	0.1
Financial institutions and insurance	15.7	15.1	15.4
Real estate *	29.0	27.0	25.2
Professional, scientific and technical	3.7	3.6	3.8
Administrative and support services	1.1	1.0	1.1
Education	0.6	0.4	0.4
Arts, recreation and other services	0.1	0.1	0.1

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

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Technical notes

AED: Arab Emirates Dirham

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI): FDI is a category of international investment that reflects the objective of a resident in one economy (the direct investor) to obtain a lasting interest in an enterprise resident in another economy (the direct investment enterprise). The lasting interest implies the existence of a long-term relationship between the direct investor and the direct investment enterprise, and a significant degree of influence by the investor on the management of the enterprise.

The change in the estimated value of FDI in the Real estate and business services economic activity from the end of one reference year to the end of the next reference year reflects the change in ownership of Abu Dhabi real estate from residents to non-residents during the reference year. In the publication, the estimated value of FDI in real estate at the end of each reference year excludes the change in ownership of Abu Dhabi real estate from non-residents to residents and excludes adjustments for price changes.

Preliminary estimates: Estimates that have been calculated using only available data sources and methods. Users of these data should be aware that preliminary estimates will be revised when primary data sources become available for that time period.

Foreign Direct Investment flows: Is the value of the annual change of the stock of FDI compared with the previous year.

Percentage contribution: Relative importance of activity within the total FDI compared with other activities.

More information

For more information about Foreign investment and other official statistics for the Emirate of Abu Dhabi, please visit the statistics link on the SCAD website at <http://www.scad.ae>

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