DIRECT INVESTMENT (January – November 2010)¹

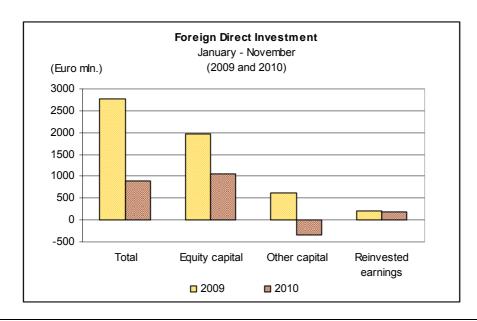
According to preliminary data, the *Foreign direct investment in Bulgaria* for January – November 2010 was EUR 894.7 million (2.5% of GDP), compared to EUR 2,782.2 million (7.9% of GDP) attracted in January – November 2009.

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Direct investment, net	893.2	658.4	591.4	518.9	235.2	2897.0	16.5	404.7	341.2	-44.0	42.3	760.7	-2136.4
Direct investment abroad *	-24.7	-22.5	-43.4	226.2	-20.8	114.8	-19.9	-62.1	-43.3	-1.8	-6.8	-134.0	-248.8
Equity capital	-17.2	-16.9	-36.4	229.4	-11.6	147.3	-20.3	-19.3	-12.8	-1.8	-6.8	-60.9	-208.2
Other capital	-9.0	-6.9	-9.1	-3.8	-9.7	-38.6	-2.4	-34.8	-26.2	0.0	0.0	-63.4	-24.8
Reinvested earnings	1.5	1.4	2.1	0.6	0.6	6.1	2.7	-8.1	-4.3	0.0	0.0	-9.7	-15.7
Foreign Direct Investment	917.9	680.8	634.7	292.8	256.0	2782.2	36.4	466.9	384.5	-42.3	49.2	894.7	-1887.6
Equity capital, incl.	508.4	664.2	511.2	106.7	174.9	1965.4	180.7	273.4	513.8	28.8	57.8	1054.4	-911.0
from privatisation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
non-privatisation flows	508.4	664.2	511.2	106.7	174.9	1965.4	180.7	273.4	513.8	28.8	57.8	1054.4	-911.0
Other capital	340.2	-39.3	84.8	168.7	63.7	618.0	-201.9	128.3	-166.9	-83.6	-21.1	-345.2	-963.3
Reinvested earnings	69.3	56.0	38.7	17.3	17.3	198.8	57.6	65.2	37.6	12.5	12.5	185.5	-13.3

Source: direct investment companies, the Privatisation Agency, the National Statistical Institute, the Central Depository, banks.

The attracted Equity Capital (acquisition/disposal of shares and equities in cash and contributions in kind by non-residents in/from the capital and reserves of Bulgarian enterprises and receipts/payments from/for real estate deals in the country) for January – November 2010 amounted to EUR 1054.4 million. It decreased by EUR 911 million compared to that attracted in the same period of 2009 (EUR 1,965.4 million). The receipts from real estate investments of non-residents amounted to EUR 215.8 million, against EUR 513.9 million for the period January – November 2009.

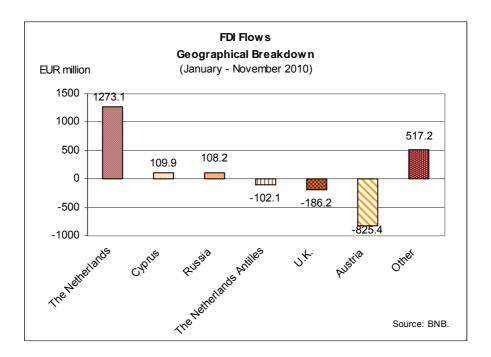


^{*}For assets, a minus sign denotes an increase in holdings, and a positive figure represents a decrease.

The other capital, net (the change in the net liabilities of the direct investment enterprise to the direct investor on financial loans, suppliers' credits and debt securities) was negative, amounting to EUR 345.2 million in January – November 2010, compared to a positive other capital, net of EUR 618 million in January – November 2009. In accordance with the preliminary data¹ the difference of the flows for the reporting period in comparison with the same period in the previous year was mainly due to the lower amount of the received intercompany credits for the reporting period compared to previous years, on the one hand, and on the other – to the payments on intercompany lending in accordance with the loan repayment schedules of enterprises.

Based on preliminary data on profit/loss, the *Reinvested Earnings*² (the share of non-residents in the undistributed earnings/ loss of the enterprise) in January – November 2010 were estimated at EUR 185.5 million, against EUR 198.8 million in the same period of 2009.

By country, the largest net direct investments in Bulgaria for the period January – November 2010 were those of the Netherlands (EUR 1,273.1 million), Russia (EUR 108.2 million) and Cyprus (EUR 109.9 million). The net payments to Austria, the Netherlands Antilles and the UK amounted to EUR 825.4 million, EUR 102.1 million and EUR 186.2 million. The higher net receipts from the Netherlands and respectively net payments to Austria were mainly due to transactions associated with revolving intercompany credits.



According to preliminary data in January – November 2010 *Direct investment abroad* increased by EUR 134 million compared to a decrease of EUR 114.8 million in January – November 2009.

When comparing the data yoy it should be taken into account that the initial data on the January – November 2009 FDI, published in a BNB press release as of January 15, 2010 (www.bnb.bg, section Press Releases/Statistical Press Releases/Balance of Payments), was subsequently revised.

With the January – December 2010 report revisions of the November 2010 data will be presented. The 2009 and 2010 data are subject to revisions with the quarterly reports of FDI enterprises submitted to the BNB, as well as with the quarterly NSI data.

GDP for 2009 - EUR 35,042.5 million (NSI data as of 08.09.2010) and GDP for 2010 (estimated by the BNB) - EUR 36,136 million.

¹ Preliminary data for 2009 and 2010. The data for October 2010 are revised.

² The 2009 and 2010 data include only estimates of banks' data on reinvested earnings.