

DIRECT INVESTMENT (January – August 2011)¹

According to preliminary data, the *Foreign direct investment in Bulgaria* for January – August 2011 increased by EUR 225.6 million (0.6% of GDP), compared to an increase of EUR 926.5 million (2.6% of GDP) for January – August 2010.

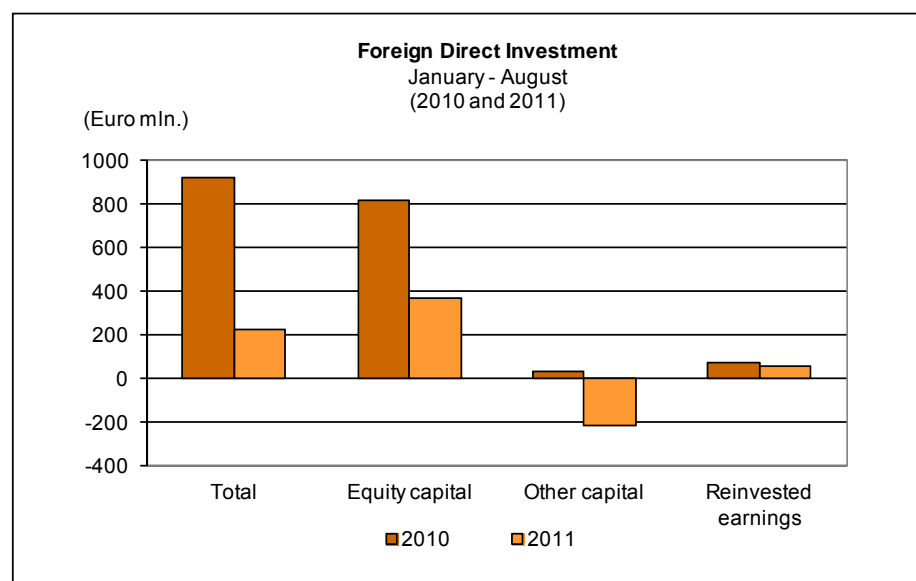
(EUR million)

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Direct investment, net	68.0	402.6	147.1	804.7	-119.8	175.6	35.6	157.9	-646.8
Direct investment abroad *	-32.9	-61.7	-3.8	-121.7	-32.4	-11.3	-1.1	-67.7	54.1
Equity capital	-24.1	-20.4	-3.4	-54.2	-29.2	-12.3	2.7	-61.2	-7.1
Other capital	-6.7	-34.6	1.2	-55.6	-3.2	1.0	-3.8	-6.4	49.1
Reinvested earnings	-2.1	-6.7	-1.6	-12.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.0
Foreign Direct Investment	101.0	464.2	150.9	926.5	-87.3	187.0	36.7	225.6	-700.9
Equity capital, incl.	202.5	302.6	83.7	818.9	227.3	58.7	60.4	374.3	-444.6
<i>from privatisation</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
<i>non-privatisation flows</i>	202.5	302.6	83.7	818.9	227.3	58.7	50.4	364.3	-454.6
Other capital	-132.5	126.8	64.6	36.6	-339.5	106.5	-31.0	-209.9	-246.5
Reinvested earnings	30.9	34.8	2.6	71.0	24.8	21.8	7.3	61.1	-9.8

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

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

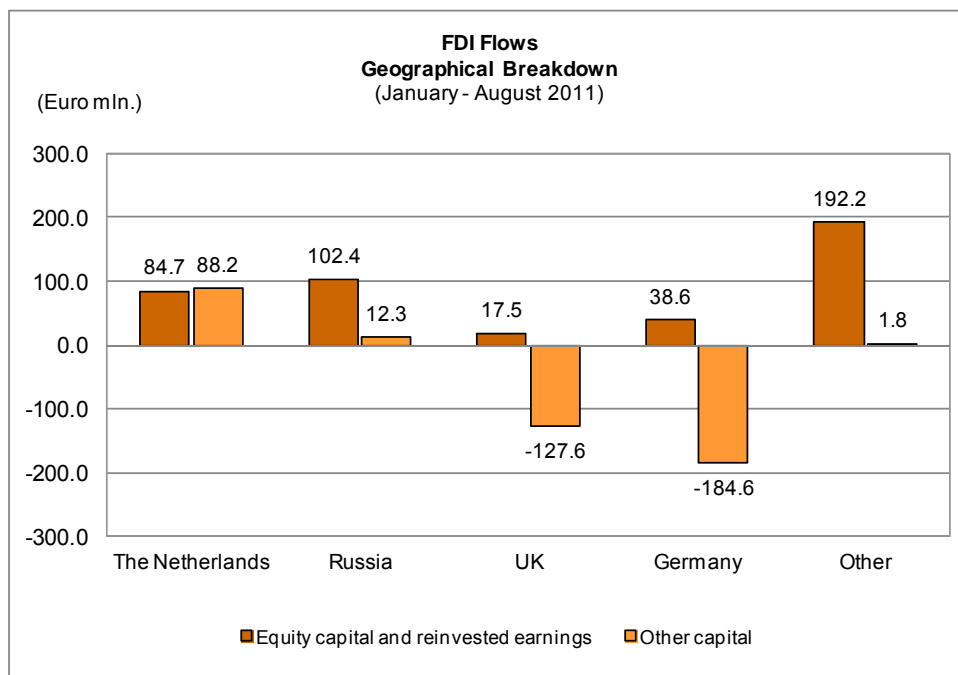
The attracted *Equity Capital (acquisition/disposal of shares and equities in cash and contributions in kind by non-residents in/from the capital and reserves of Bulgarian enterprises and receipts/payments from/for real estate deals in the country)* for January – August 2011 amounted to EUR 374.3 million. It decreased by EUR 444.6 million compared to that attracted in the same period of 2010 (EUR 818.9 million). *The receipts from real estate investments of non-residents* amounted to EUR 178 million, compared to EUR 144.9 million attracted in January – August 2010.



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 209.9 million in January – August 2011, compared to a positive *other capital, net* of EUR 36.6 million in January – August 2010.

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 – August 2011 were estimated at EUR 61.1 million, against EUR 71 million in the same period of 2010.

By country, the largest direct investments in Bulgaria for the period January – August 2011 were those of the Netherlands (EUR 172.9 million) and Russia (EUR 114.7 million). The largest negative flows for the period were towards Germany (EUR 146 million) and United Kingdom (EUR 110.1 million), mainly due to net payments on intercompany credits in accordance with the loan repayment schedules of enterprises.



According to preliminary data in January – August 2011 *Direct investment abroad* increased by EUR 67.7 million, compared to an increase of EUR 121.7 million in January – August 2010.

¹ Preliminary data for 2010 and 2011. The data for July 2011 are revised.

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

With the January – September 2011 report revisions of August 2011 data will be presented.

The 2010 and 2011 data are subject to revisions with the quarterly reports to the BNB from foreign direct investment enterprises and with the annual NSI data.

GDP for 2011 - EUR 39,408 million (BNB estimate) and GDP for 2010 -- NSI data (as of 11.03.2011) at EUR 36,032.9 million.

² The 2010 and 2011 data include only estimates of banks' data on reinvested earnings.