DIRECT INVESTMENT (January - June 2012)¹

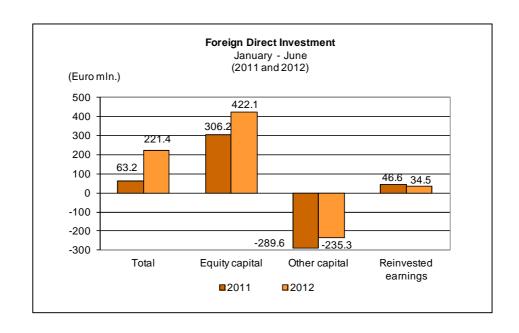
According to preliminary data, the *Foreign direct investment in Bulgaria* for January - June 2012 increased by EUR 221.4 million (0.6% of GDP), compared to an increase of EUR 63.2 million (0.2% of GDP) for January - June 2011.

(EUR million)

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	2011				2012				2012 - 2011
	Q1	Q2	Jun	Jan-Jun	Q1	Q2	Jun	Jan-Jun	Jan-Jun
Direct investment, net	-86.2	84.8	-16.9	-1.4	452.4	-316.0	24.7	136.5	137.8
Direct investment abroad *	-44.0	-20.6	-8.0	-64.6	-26.0	-58.9	-15.6	-84.9	-20.3
Equity capital	-29.2	-19.1	-4.7	-48.3	-22.8	-52.0	-15.4	-74.8	-26.5
Other capital	-9.2	-1.3	-3.2	-10.5	-3.2	-6.9	-0.2	-10.1	0.4
Reinvested earnings	-5.6	-0.2	-0.1	-5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.8
Foreign Direct Investment	-42.2	105.4	-9.0	63.2	478.4	-257.0	40.3	221.4	158.1
Equity capital, incl.	232.2	74.0	101.6	306.2	222.7	199.4	45.5	422.1	115.9
from privatisation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
non-privatisation flows	232.2	74.0	101.6	306.2	222.7	199.4	45.5	422.1	115.9
Other capital	-299.3	9.7	-117.8	-289.6	242.2	-477.4	-13.5	-235.3	54.4
Reinvested earnings	24.8	21.8	7.3	46.6	13.5	21.0	8.3	34.5	-12.1

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

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 - June 2012 amounted to EUR 422.1 million. It increased by EUR 115.9 million compared to that attracted in the same period of 2011 (EUR 306.2 million). The receipts from real estate investments of non-residents amounted to EUR 122.9 million, compared to EUR 98.1 million attracted in January - June 2011.

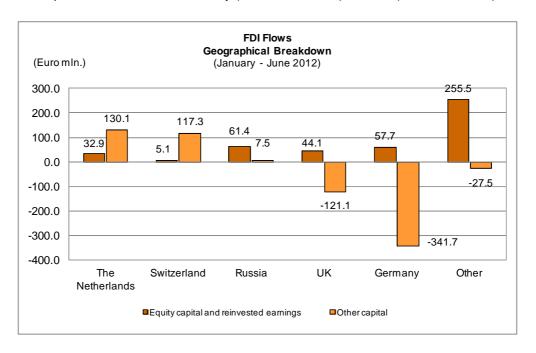


^{*}For assets, a minus sign denotes an increase in holdings, and a positive figure represents a decrease.

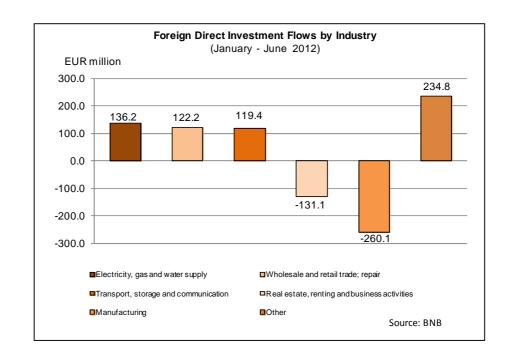
The other capital, net (the change in the net liabilities of the direct investment enterprise to the direct investor on financial loans, suppliers' credits and debt securities) was negative, amounting to EUR -235.3 million in January - June 2011, compared to a negative other capital, net of EUR -289.6 million in January - June 2011.

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 - June 2012 were estimated at EUR 34.5 million, against EUR 46.6 million in the same period of 2011.

By country, the largest direct investments in Bulgaria for the period January - June 2012 were those of the Netherlands (EUR 163 million), Switzerland (EUR 122.5 million) and Russia (EUR 68.9 million). The largest net negative flows for the period were towards Germany (EUR -284 million) and UK (EUR -77 million).



By branch, the largest investments for January – June 2012 were in *Electricity, gas and water supply* (EUR 136.2 million). The largest net payments in the reporting period were in *Manufacturing* (EUR -260.1 million).



According to preliminary data in January - June 2012 *Direct investment abroad* increased by EUR 84.9 million, compared to an increase of EUR 64.6 million in January - June 2011.

When comparing the data yoy it should be taken into account that the initial data on the January - June 2011 FDI, published in a BNB press release as of August 15, 2011 (www.bnb.bg, section Press Releases/Statistical Press Releases/Balance of Payments), was subsequently revised.

With the July 2012 report revisions for January 2010 - June 2012 data will be presented.

The 2011 and 2012 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 2012 - EUR 39,703.7 million (BNB estimate) and GDP for 2011 -- NSI data (as of 06.03.2012) at EUR 38,483 million.

¹ Preliminary data for 2011 and 2012. The data for May 2012 are revised.

² The 2011 and 2012 data include only estimates of banks' data on reinvested earnings.