DIRECT INVESTMENT
(January - August 2014)[1]

According to preliminary data, the *Foreign direct investment in Bulgaria* for January - August 2014 increased by EUR 1221.4 million (3% of GDP), compared to an increase of EUR 1173.9 million (2.9% of GDP) for January - August 2013. In August 2014 they increased by EUR 235.3 million, compared to a increase of EUR 103.1 million in August 2013.

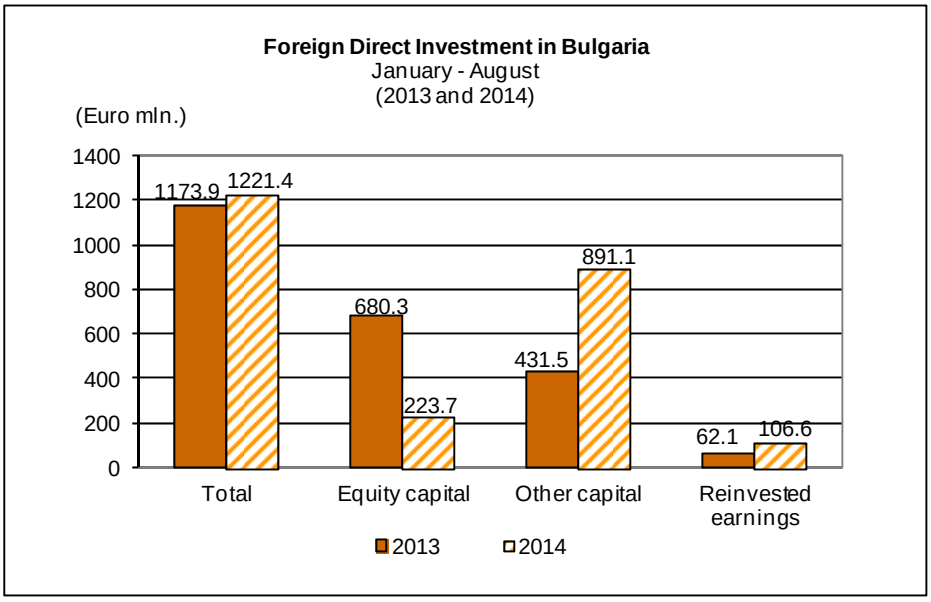
(EUR million)

	2013					2014					2014/2013
	Q1	Q2	July	August	Jan-Aug	Q1	Q2	July	August	Jan-Aug	Jan-Aug
Direct investment, net	**331.6**	**412.3**	**225.5**	**89.5**	**1059.0**	**384.7**	**179.0**	**226.5**	**203.3**	**993.6**	**-65.4**
Direct investment abroad *	**-16.8**	**-63.7**	**-20.8**	**-13.6**	**-114.9**	**-62.0**	**-125.5**	**-8.4**	**-31.9**	**-227.8**	**-112.9**
Equity capital	-14.6	-30.6	-11.8	-10.3	-67.3	-30.1	-118.8	-6.1	-32.3	-187.3	**-120.0**
Other capital	-11.0	-28.1	-8.4	-2.6	-50.0	-32.0	-6.7	-2.3	0.4	-40.5	**9.5**
Reinvested earnings	8.9	-5.1	-0.7	-0.7	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**-2.4**
Foreign Direct Investment	**348.4**	**476.1**	**246.4**	**103.1**	**1173.9**	**446.7**	**304.5**	**234.9**	**235.3**	**1221.4**	**47.5**
Equity capital, incl.	251.4	320.3	59.4	49.2	680.3	100.4	-22.6	30.2	115.8	223.7	-456.5
from privatisation	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	251.4	320.3	59.4	49.2	680.3	100.4	-22.6	30.2	115.8	223.7	-456.5
Other capital	70.6	142.4	175.8	42.7	431.5	304.1	288.4	192.0	106.7	891.1	459.6
Reinvested earnings	26.4	13.4	11.2	11.2	62.1	42.2	38.8	12.8	12.8	106.6	44.4

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

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

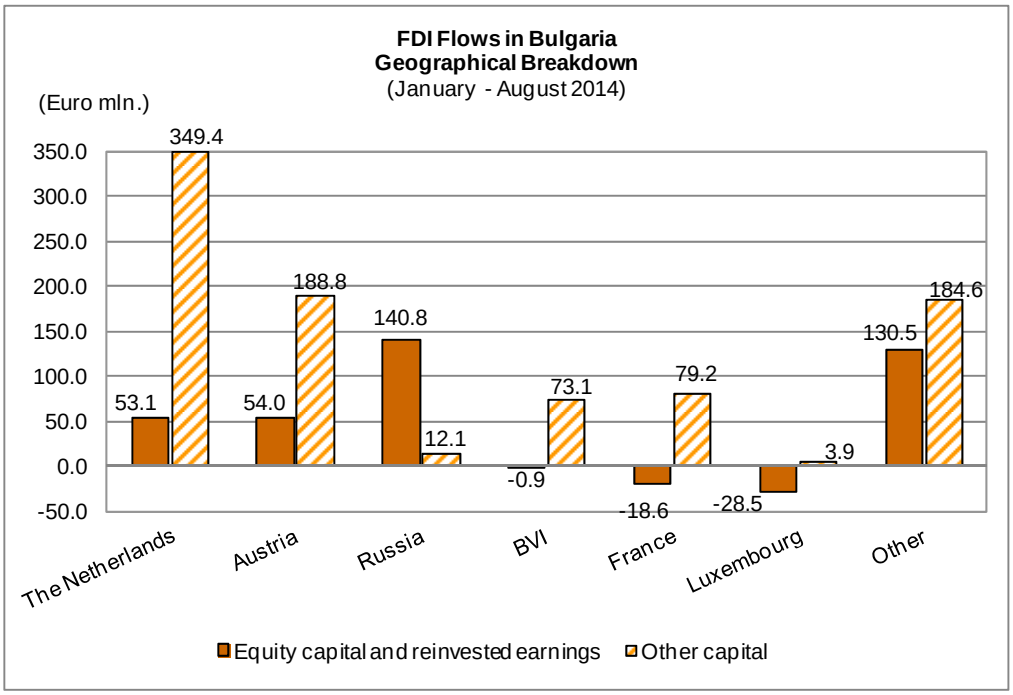
The *Equity Capital (acquisition/disposal of shares and equities in cash and contributions in kind by non-residents in/from the capital and reserves of Bulgarian enterprises and receipts/payments from/for real estate deals in the country)* for January - August 2014 amounted to EUR 223.7. It decreased by EUR 456.5 million compared to that attracted in the same period of 2013 (EUR 680.3 million). *The receipts from real estate investments of non-residents* amounted to EUR 78.9 million, compared to EUR 102.7 million attracted in January - August 2013.



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 positive, amounting to EUR 891.1 million in January - August 2014, compared to a positive *other capital, net* of EUR 431.5 million in January - August 2013.

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 2014 were estimated at EUR 106.6 million, against EUR 62.1 million in the same period of 2013.

By country, the largest direct investments in Bulgaria in January - August 2014 were those from The Netherlands (EUR 402.5 million). The largest net negative flows for the period were towards Luxembourg (EUR -24.6 million).



According to preliminary data in January - August 2014 *Direct investment abroad* increased by EUR 227.8 million, compared to an increase of EUR 114.9 million in January - August 2013. In August 2014 they increased by EUR 31.9 million, compared to an increase of EUR 13.6 million in August 2013.

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[1] Preliminary data. When comparing the data yoy it should be taken into account that the initial data on the January - August 2013 FDI, published in a BNB press release as of October 15, 2013 (www.bnb.bg, section Press Releases/Statistical Press Releases/Balance of Payments), was subsequently revised.

With the January - September 2014 report revisions for August 2014 data will be presented.

The 2013 and 2014 data are revised with the quarterly reports to the BNB from foreign direct investment enterprises.

The 2013 and 2014 data are subject to revisions with the annual NSI data and reports from foreign direct investment enterprises.

GDP amounting to EUR 40,496.9 million for 2014 (BNB estimate), and EUR 39,939.7 million for 2013 (NSI data as of 05.03.2014). With the September 2014 report, the NSI data on GDP in accordance with ESA 2010 will be used.

[2] The 2013 and 2014 data are estimates of reinvested earnings of *banks* only. Data on reinvested earnings of *non-financial enterprises* for 2013 will be presented with January 2015 report.