

In Q3 2018 FDI reinvestments went up

The Bank of Lithuania and Statistics Lithuania has published the provisional data on direct investment (DI) for Q3 2018. The latest data release indicates that **foreign direct investment (FDI) flow in Lithuania** amounted to €85.3 million. In Q3 2018, reinvestments went up and amounted to €464.3 million (see Chart 1). The largest reinvestments were observed in Sweden (€127 million) and Hong Kong (€74.2 million); while by type of activities – in manufacturing (€159.2 million) as well as finance and insurance (€99.3 million) companies. Flows of equity and debt instruments were negative and stood at -€120.4 million and -€258.5 million respectively.

FDI income from non-resident investment in Lithuania amounted to €566.3 million in Q3 2018. Most income from FDI was earned by Sweden (€131.2 million), Hong Kong (€74.2 million) and Poland (€54.7 million). Most income was received from investment in manufacturing (€208.2 million) activity.

Cumulative FDI in Lithuania rose by 4.1% over the year and stood at €15.5 billion or 35.1% of GDP as at 30 September 2018. FDI per capita amounted to an average of €5,544 (as at 30 September 2017 – €5,293). Sweden and the Netherlands retained their leading positions among top 10 investors compared to Q3 2017 (see Chart 2).

Lithuanian DI flow abroad was on a downward path in Q3 2018 and amounted to -€1.2 million; this was driven by a decline in investment in equity and debt instruments. In Q3 2018, the largest investment flows were recorded in Latvia (€18.5 million) and the Netherlands (€10.2 million); by type of activities, Lithuania's investment in manufacturing (€12.5 million) increased.

DI income earned by Lithuanian investors **abroad** amounted to €26.3 million in Q3 2018. Reinvestments accounted for the largest share of income (€18.5 million). Most income was earned from investment in Latvia (€20.8 million), the Netherlands (€6.1 million) and Estonia (€5.3 million).

Lithuanian cumulative DI abroad grew by 19% over the year and reached €3.7 billion as at 30 September 2018. Lithuania's DI in the EU Member States accounted for 90%, in the euro area countries – 65.1% of Lithuania's total DI abroad. Most investments were made in the Netherlands (€705.7 million), Cyprus (€647.1 million), Latvia (€519.2 million) and Poland (€423 million).

For detailed foreign direct investment data, see the section [External Statistics](#) on the Bank of Lithuania's website.

Chart 1. FDI reinvestments in Lithuania

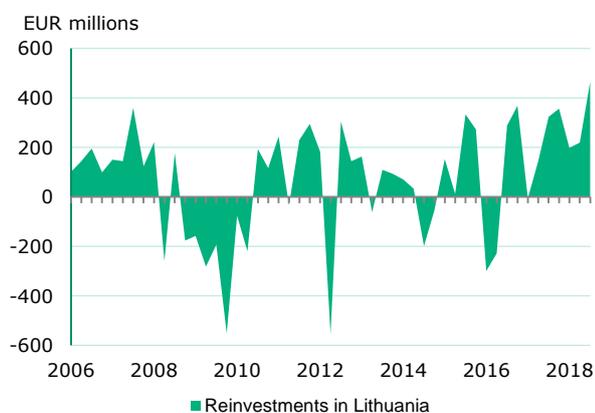


Chart 2. Top 10 investing countries

