



Foreign Direct Investment (FDI): GERMANY

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Second largest source of FDI
in the United States in 2021

(by UBO)

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Supporting U.S. Jobs

885,100

Number of U.S. workers employed by U.S. affiliates of majority German-owned firms in 2020.



Investing in Innovative R&D

\$12.7 billion

Value of research and development (R&D) spending by U.S. affiliates of majority German-owned firms in 2020.



Expanding U.S. Exports

\$47.5 billion

Value of U.S. goods exports by majority German-owned firms operating in the United States in 2020.

Sources: Bureau of Economic Analysis (latest available as of August 24, 2022), fDi Markets (data from July 2012 - June 2022)

German FDI in the USA (in USD millions)

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Position (UBO)	\$394,396	\$470,806	\$499,845	\$528,456	\$636,501
Flow	\$18,291	\$22,358	\$29,216	\$23,792	\$52,308

TOP 6 INDUSTRY SECTORS

By # of announced German FDI projects in the USA

- #1 Industrial Equipment
- #2 Software & IT Services
- #3 Auto Components
- #4 Transportation
- #5 Chemicals
- #6 Plastics

U.S. FDI in Germany (in USD millions)

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Position	\$132,595	\$134,794	\$141,516	\$151,475	\$170,218
Flow	\$4,025	\$5,406	\$17,080	\$8,549	\$12,961

TERMINOLOGY - UBO: Ultimate Beneficial Owner; the entity at the top of an affiliate's ownership chain.
Position/Stock: Snapshot of cumulative FDI taken at year end. Flow: FDI coming into a country over a period of time.

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