

# SELECTUSA Foreign Direct Investment (FDI): FRANCE

## What is SelectUSA?

SelectUSA is the U.S. government program to promote and facilitate business investment in the United States.

## How do we help?

We work with companies and U.S. economic development organizations to provide information, facilitate direct connections, and resolve questions regarding federal regulations. We also provide a promotional platform for U.S. state and local governments.

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Fifth largest source of FDI  
in the United States in 2023

(by UBO)

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Supporting U.S. Jobs

## 767,800

Number of U.S. workers employed by  
U.S. affiliates of majority  
French-owned firms in 2022.



Investing in Innovative R&D

## \$5.0 billion

Value of research and development (R&D)  
spending by U.S. affiliates of majority  
French-owned firms  
in 2022.



Expanding U.S. Exports

## \$29.4 billion

Value of U.S. goods exports by majority  
French-owned firms  
operating in the United States in 2022.

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (latest available as of February 12, 2025), fDi Markets (data from January 2015 - December 2024)

## French FDI in the USA (in USD millions)

Position (UBO) Flow	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	\$291,133	\$316,404	\$345,451	\$366,872	<b>\$370,490</b>
	\$13,775	\$13,507	\$15,299	\$23,830	<b>\$11,353</b>

## U.S. FDI in France (in USD millions)

Position Flow	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	\$88,615	\$106,517	\$101,991	\$93,907	<b>\$100,909</b>
	\$7,680	\$221	-\$57	\$7,117	<b>\$5,880</b>

## TOP 6 INDUSTRY SECTORS

By # of announced French FDI  
projects in the USA

- #1 Software & IT Services
- #2 Business Services
- #3 Renewable Energy
- #4 Industrial Equipment
- #5 Electronic Components
- #6 Communications

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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