New Foreign Direct Investment in the United States, 2021

Expenditures by foreign direct investors to acquire, establish, or expand U.S. businesses totaled $333.6 billion in 2021, up $192.2 billion from $141.4 billion in 2020.

Additional highlights of the statistics on new foreign direct investment for 2021:

- Expenditures for acquisitions were $330.2 billion, expenditures to establish new U.S. businesses were $1.6 billion, and expenditures to expand existing foreign-owned businesses were $1.8 billion.
- Total planned greenfield investment expenditures—expenditures to establish new U.S. businesses and to expand existing foreign-owned U.S. businesses—for investments initiated in 2021, which include both first-year spending and planned spending in future years, totaled $15.6 billion.
- Employment at newly acquired, established, or expanded foreign-owned businesses in the United States was 236,900 in 2021.