

Kwazulu-Natal and World

January 2003 to October 2025



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Introduction

The report examines foreign direct investment (FDI) trends by all companies from seven source regions investing in KwaZulu-Natal between January 2003 and October 2025.

The report includes estimated values on capital investment and the number of jobs created in cases where information was not available at project announcement.

Retail and inter-state projects are excluded from this report.

Headline figures

No of FDI projects	207
Total jobs created	38,441
Average project size (jobs)	185
Total capital investment	ZAR 185,925.85 m
Average project size	ZAR 898.92 m

Executive Summary

FDI projects peaked in Year 21 to 23

Some 29 projects, or 14% of projects, were recorded in Year 21 to 23. This was the year in which the highest numbers of projects were recorded. During this period a total of 7,242 jobs were created and ZAR 21.47bn capital was invested by these projects, equating to a 18.8% and 11.5% of total jobs and capital investment respectively.

Key investors account for one quarter of projects.

The top 10% of investors have created a total of 51 projects, 25% of the total projects. These investors have created a combined total of 12,660 jobs, which equates to one-third of the overall total. The combined capital investment from these companies reached ZAR 45.49bn, equating to almost one-quarter of the total for all companies.

Transportation & Warehousing is top sector with more than one-tenth of projects.

Out of a total of 28 sectors, Transportation & Warehousing accounted for 11.1% of projects. Project volume in this sector peaked during 2013, with five projects tracked. Total jobs creation and capital investment in this sector was 659 jobs and ZAR 4.18bn respectively.

Largest projects originate in India.

With an average project size of ZAR 2.97bn, projects originating in India are approximately three and a half times larger than the average across all source countries. Ranked third in overall projects recorded with 22 in total, India created a total of 6,494 jobs and ZAR 65.35bn capital investment.

Durban attracts the majority of projects.

Out of a total of 19 destination cities, Durban accounts for the majority of projects. Total investment into Durban resulted in the creation of 16,940 jobs and ZAR 62.24bn capital investment, equating to an average of 138 jobs and ZAR 510.82m investment per project.

Key FDI Trends

Between January 2003 and October 2025, a total of 207 FDI projects were recorded. These projects represent a total capital investment of ZAR 185.93bn, which is an average investment of ZAR 898.92m per project. During the period, a total of 38,441 jobs were created.

The largest number of projects was announced in Year 21 to 23, with 29 projects that year. Average capital investment peaked in 2007, while average job creation peaked in 2016.

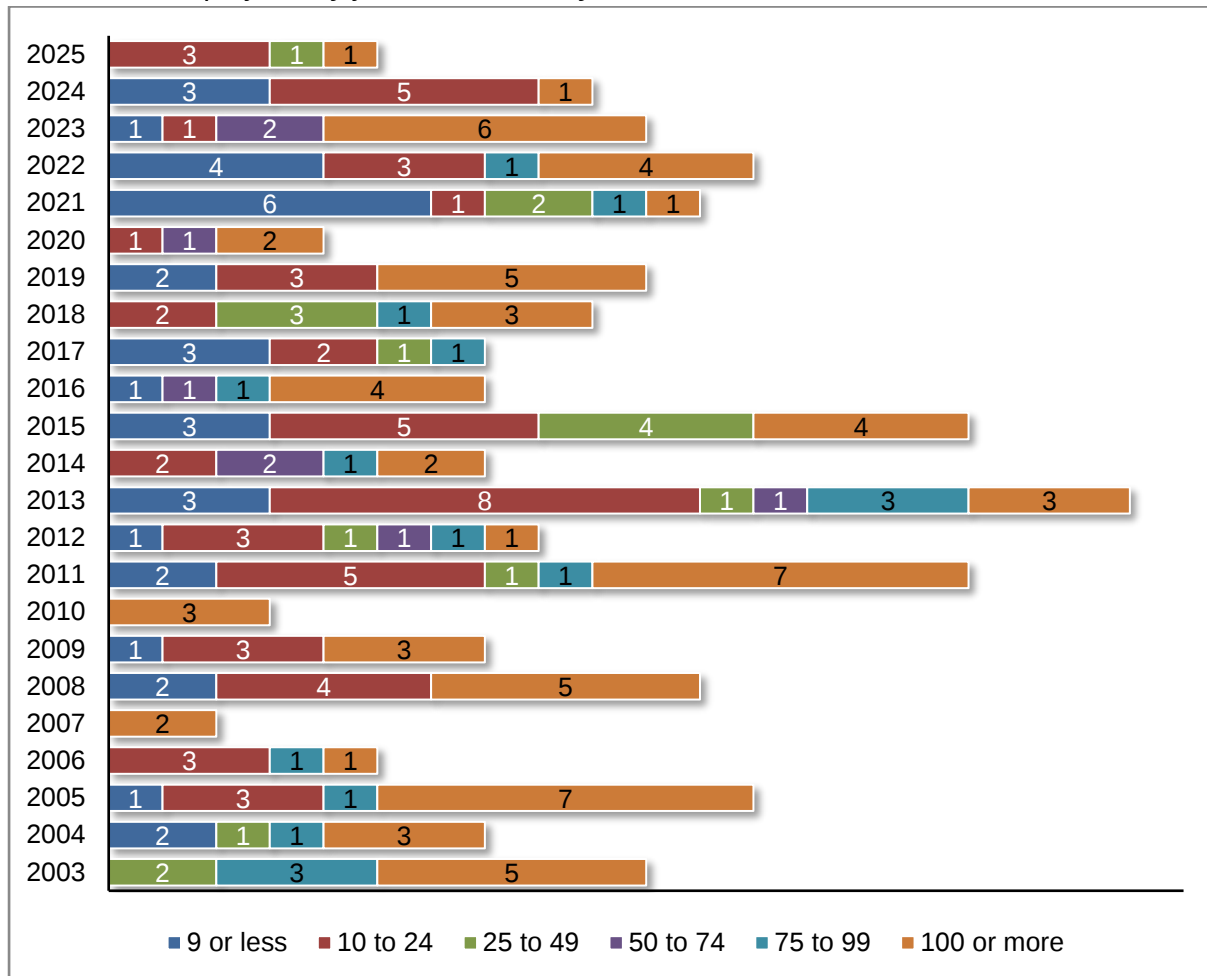
Headline FDI trends by year

Year	Number of projects	% growth per annum	Jobs created		Capital investment	
			Total	Average	Total (ZAR m)	Average (ZAR m)
2025	5	n/a	167	33	1,757.96	351.29
2024	9	n/a	270	30	1,339.18	148.80
2023	10	n/a	5,228	522	33,718.85	3,371.73
2022	12	9.1	1,186	98	8,556.65	713.31
2021	11	175	556	50	3,977.66	362.02
2020	4	n/a	1,047	261	3,908.63	977.16
2019	10	11.1	1,373	137	2,509.62	251.58
2018	9	28.6	2,111	234	9,513.87	1,056.93
2017	7	n/a	177	25	1,610.70	230.10
2016	7	n/a	4,869	695	9,759.31	1,394.41
2015	16	128.6	1,278	79	3,726.09	233.17
2014	7	n/a	1,141	163	9,765.44	1,394.41
2013	19	137.5	1,316	69	14,039.17	739.39
2012	8	n/a	594	74	3,825.80	478.61
2011	16	433.3	2,095	130	10,030.83	627.41
2010	3	n/a	847	282	2,343.95	780.81
2009	7	n/a	4,554	650	1,558.54	222.43
2008	11	450	1,697	154	31,065.03	2,824.09
2007	2	n/a	313	156	8,774.48	4,387.24
2006	5	n/a	380	76	2,672.23	533.83
Year 21 to 23	29	n/a	7,242	249	21,472.93	740.92
Total	207	n/a	38,441	185	185,925.40	898.92

Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

When allocated into bands, projects creating 100 jobs or more represent more than one-third of projects, while projects creating between 10 and 24 jobs represent 27.5% of projects.

Number of FDI projects by jobs created and year.

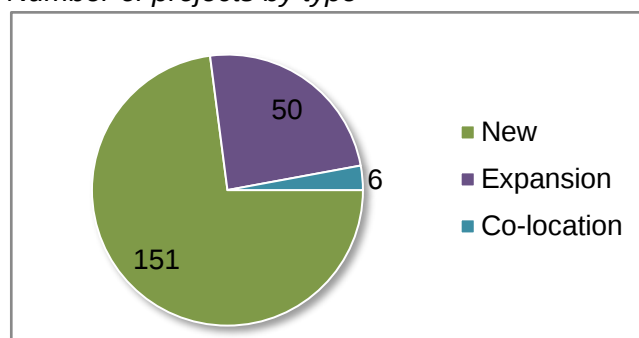


Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

In terms of project type, 72.9% of projects are new investments. New projects have an average capital investment of ZAR 759.33 million and job creation of 175 per project.

The average capital investment for expansion and co-location is ZAR 834.50 million and ZAR 4,927.21 million respectively. The average number of jobs created in these project types is 225 and 100 respectively.

Number of projects by type

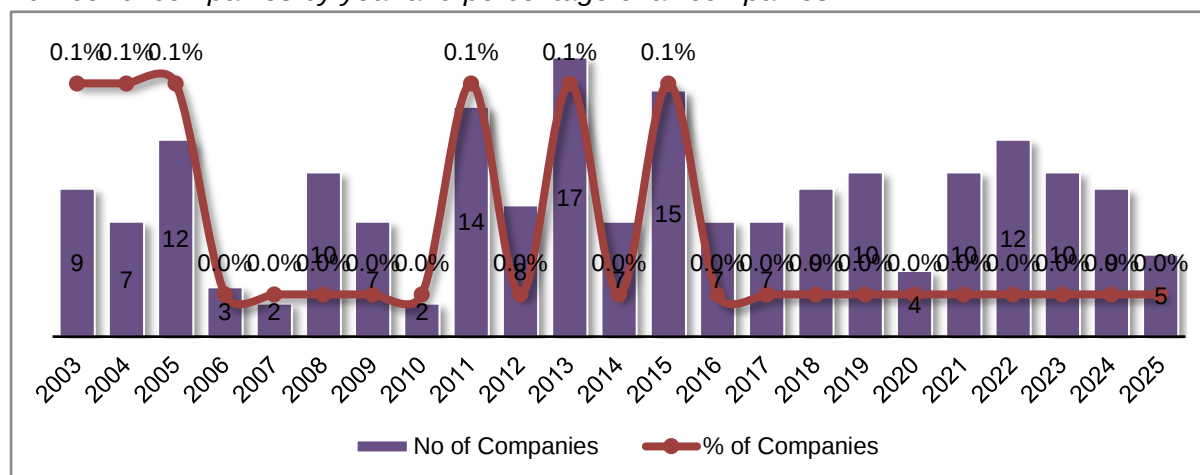


Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

Companies

A total of 170 companies from seven source regions invested in KwaZulu-Natal between January 2003 and October 2025, out of a total 138,309 companies investing in FDI globally.

Number of companies by year and percentage of all companies



Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

The top 10 companies accounted for a combined total of 37 projects (17.9% of projects). Within the past 12 months, two of the top 10 companies have announced projects, with International Workplace Group (Regus) being the top investor for this period with one projects.

Top 10 companies: number of projects

Company name	Source country	No of projects	Global projects*	% of global projects**	Projects in last 12 mths
International Workplace Group (Regus)	United Kingdom	5	2,274	0.2	1
Toyota South Africa	Japan	5	7	71.4	0
Building Energy	Italy	5	32	15.6	0
Nedbank	United Kingdom	4	22	18.1	0
Apollo Tyres	India	4	23	17.3	0
Toyota Motor	Japan	3	113	2.6	0
Unilever	United Kingdom	3	152	1.9	0
Royal Vopak	Netherlands	3	65	4.6	0
Sumitomo Rubber South Africa	Japan	3	3	100	0
Mahindra & Mahindra South Africa	India	2	6	33.3	1

*Total number of projects worldwide from the company regardless of report criteria.

** The share of global projects from the company which match report criteria.

Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

The top 10 companies account for 57.8% of capital investment. These companies generally provide considerably higher capital investment at an average of ZAR 4,672.16 million per project.

Top 10 Companies: Capital Investment.

Company Name	Jobs created		Capital investment	
	Total	Average per project	Total (ZAR m)	Average (ZAR m)
Jindal Steel & Power	2,983	2,983	30,680.00	30,680.00
Tata Steel	146	146	25,176.01	25,176.01
Building Energy	324	64	11,738.17	2,347.02
AES Corporation (AES)	116	116	8,559.72	8,559.72
Toyota Motor	4,824	1,608	8,386.38	2,794.95
Mondi Group	2,107	1,053	5,675.80	2,837.90
Open Access Data Centres (OADC)	160	80	4,862.78	2,431.39
Toyota South Africa	1,128	225	4,365.76	872.85
British Petroleum South Africa (BPSA)	48	48	4,141.80	4,141.80
Nestle South Africa	41	20	3,873.35	1,937.44

Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

The top 10 companies account for 53.7% of job creation. Collectively, they provide significantly higher job creation at 938 jobs on average.

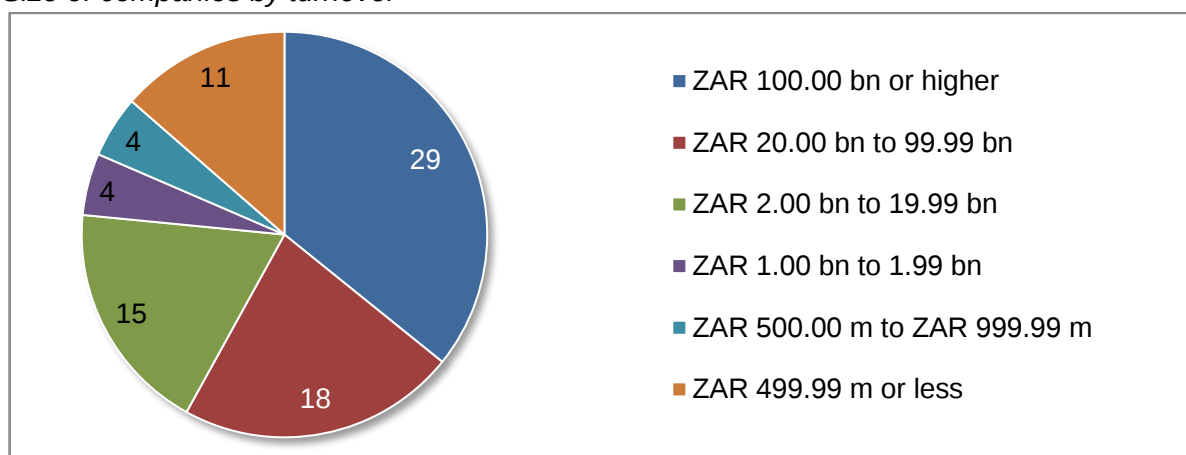
Top 10 Companies: Jobs created.

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Toyota Motor	4,824	1,608	8,386.38	2,794.95
Nam Viet Joint Stock Company (NAVIFICO)	4,000	4,000	188.68	188.68
Jindal Steel & Power	2,983	2,983	30,680.00	30,680.00
Mondi Group	2,107	1,053	5,675.80	2,837.90
Mara Phones	1,500	1,500	1,534.00	1,534.00
Sumitomo Rubber South Africa	1,323	441	3,021.98	1,007.84
Toyota South Africa	1,128	225	4,365.76	872.85
Advanced Call Center Technologies (ACT)	1,000	1,000	116.58	116.58
Mondi Business Paper	881	881	2,684.50	2,684.50
Apollo Tyres	881	220	2,524.96	630.47

Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

In terms of company size, more than one-third of companies have an annual turnover of ZAR 100.00 billion or higher, while more than one-eighth of companies have a turnover of ZAR 499.99 million or less.

Size of companies by turnover



Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

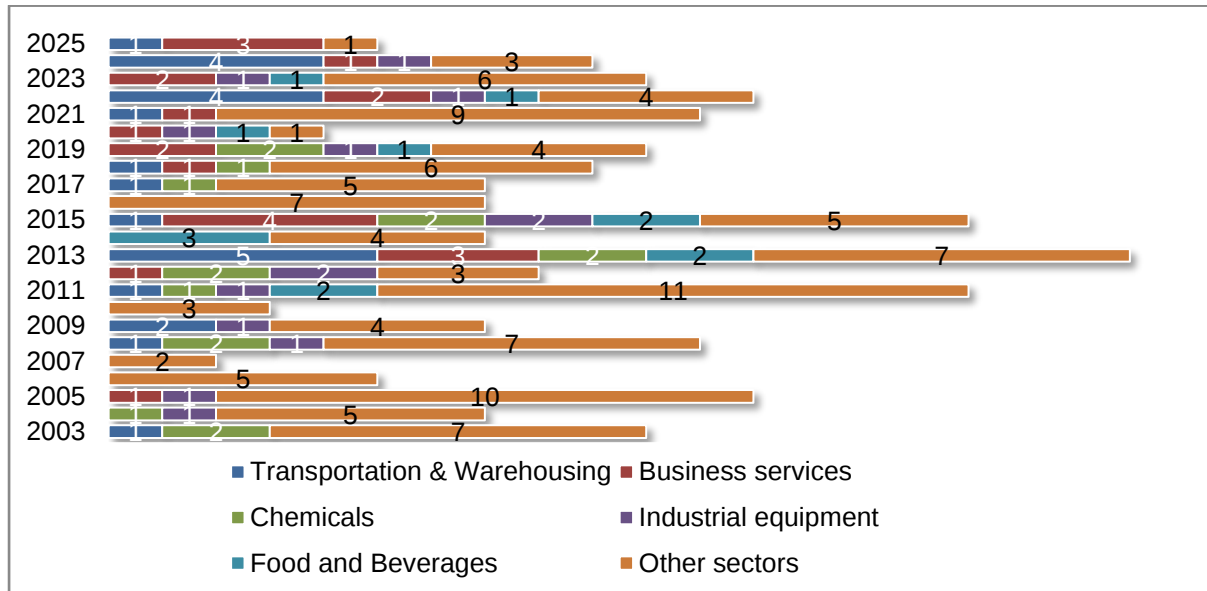
During the period November 2024 to October 2025, 3 projects were announced by 3 companies that had not previously had a project recorded by fDi Markets since 2003.

These investments created a total of 36 jobs and generated ZAR 1,279.36 million capital investment.

Industry Analysis: Sectors

Out of a total of 28 sectors, the top five account for more than two-fifths of projects. Transportation & Warehousing is the top sector accounting for more than one-tenth of projects tracked. Project volume in this sector peaked during 2013, with five projects tracked.

Number of FDI projects by year and sector.



Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

Automotive OEM has generated the highest number of total jobs and has the largest project size, with 567 jobs per project. Renewable energy has both the highest total and highest average investment at ZAR 16.16bn overall and ZAR 1.62bn per project.

FDI trends by sector

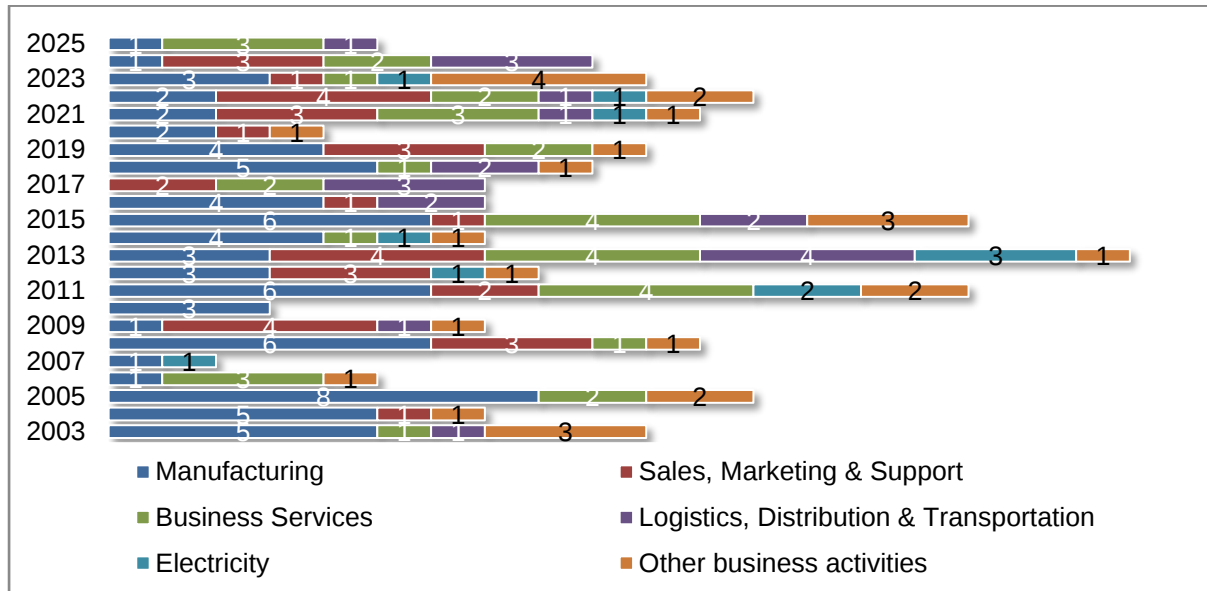
Sector	No of projects	Jobs Created		Capital investment	
		Total	Average	Total (ZAR m)	Average (ZAR m)
Transportation & Warehousing	23	659	28	4,177.10	181.00
Business services	22	2,737	124	6,010.20	273.10
Chemicals	16	1,523	95	5,497.90	343.60
Industrial equipment	14	766	54	1,618.40	115.10
Food and Beverages	13	1,188	91	8,147.10	627.40
Automotive OEM	12	6,807	567	14,497.80	1,208.80
Software & IT services	12	289	24	1,027.80	85.90
Financial services	10	271	27	1,549.30	154.90
Renewable energy	10	369	36	16,157.60	1,615.30
Real estate	9	212	23	737.90	81.30
Other sectors	66	23,620	357	126,505.90	1,917.50
Total	207	38,441	185	185,925.40	898.90

Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

Industry Analysis: Business activity

Out of a total of 13 business activities, the top five account for the majority of projects. Manufacturing is the top business activity accounting for almost two-fifths of projects tracked. Project volume in this business activity peaked during 2005, with eight projects tracked.

Number of FDI projects by year and business activity.



Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

Manufacturing has generated the highest number of total jobs and greatest investment with a total of 27,143 jobs and ZAR 89.21bn investment. Extraction has the largest project size on average in terms of both investment and jobs creation.

FDI trends by business activity

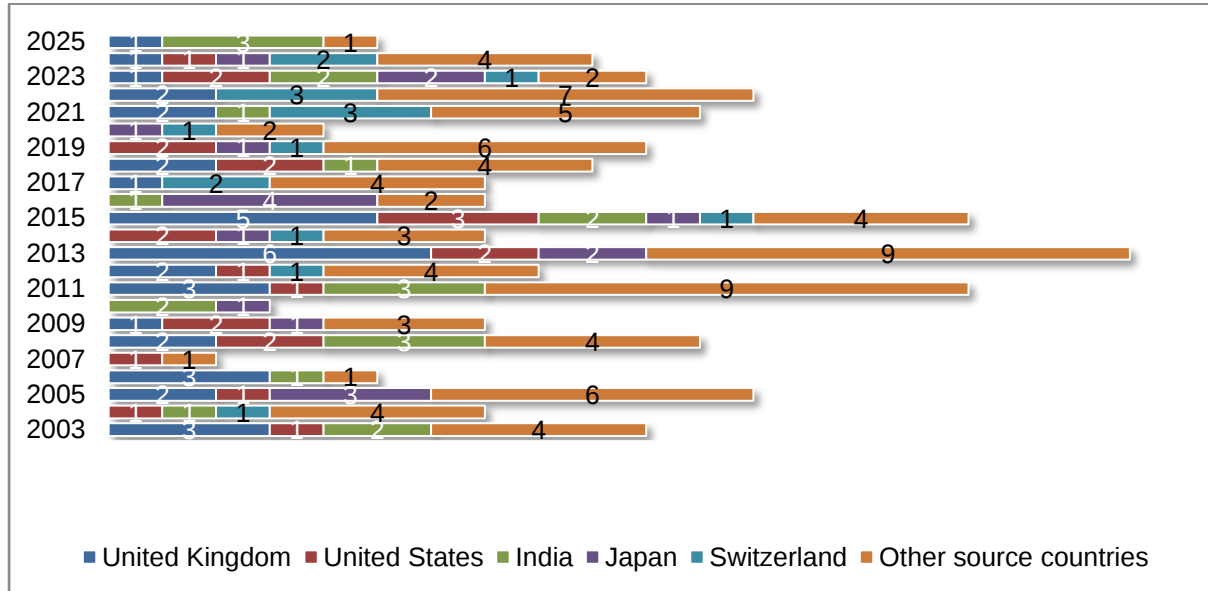
Business activity	No of projects	Jobs Created		Capital investment	
		Total	Average	Total (ZAR m)	Average (ZAR m)
Manufacturing	76	27,143	357	89,211.30	1,173.50
Business Services	36	635	17	7,587.20	210.20
Sales, Marketing & Support	36	513	14	3,020.40	84.40
Logistics, Distribution & Transportation	21	1,344	64	6,988.90	332.90
Electricity	11	485	44	24,717.30	2,247.30
Customer Contact Centre	6	2,501	416	320.60	53.70
Construction	4	1,138	284	7,683.80	1,920.60
Extraction	4	3,794	948	34,493.50	8,622.60
ICT & Internet Infrastructure	4	320	80	9,725.60	2,431.40
Maintenance & Servicing	4	152	38	385.00	96.60
Other business activities	5	416	83	1,791.70	359.00
Total	207	38,441	185	185,925.40	898.90

Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

Source Countries

Out of a total of 36 source countries, the top five account for the majority of projects. United Kingdom is the top source country accounting for almost one-fifth of projects tracked. Project volume in this source country peaked during 2013, with six projects tracked.

Number of FDI projects by year and source country.



Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

Japan has generated the highest number of total jobs and has the largest project size, with 422 jobs per project. India has both the highest total and highest average investment at ZAR 65.35bn overall and ZAR 2.97bn per project.

FDI trends by source country

Source country	No of projects	No of companies	Jobs Created		Capital investment	
			Total	Average	Total (ZAR m)	Average (ZAR m)
United Kingdom	37	29	5,079	137	23,353.60	630.50
United States	24	23	2,854	118	19,512.50	813.00
India	22	17	6,494	295	65,346.90	2,969.80
Japan	18	10	7,609	422	16,975.20	943.40
Switzerland	17	12	650	38	5,625.20	331.30
Germany	15	14	1,357	90	4,672.60	311.40
Netherlands	10	7	713	71	2,939.10	294.50
Italy	6	2	1,124	187	12,934.70	2,155.30
Canada	5	4	854	170	4,002.20	800.70
Austria	4	4	838	209	1,797.80	449.50
Other source countries	49	48	11,314	230	30,196.80	616.70
Total	207	170	38,441	185	185,925.40	898.90

Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

Source cities

Out of a total of 109 source cities, the top five account for more than one-quarter of projects. London is the top source city accounting for one-tenth of projects tracked. Project volume in this source city peaked during 2013, with four projects tracked.

Toyota has generated the highest number of total jobs and has the largest project size, with 607 jobs per project. Mumbai has both the highest total and highest average investment at ZAR 30.48bn overall and ZAR 3.05bn per project.

FDI trends by source city

Source city	Projects		Companies		Jobs Created	Capital Investment (ZAR m)
	No	%	No	%		
London	21	10.14	14	9.03	4,236	20,704.40
Mumbai	10	4.83	8	5.16	1,891	30,480.60
Toyota	10	4.83	4	2.58	6,077	13,012.90
Tokyo	7	3.38	5	3.23	1,512	3,805.90
Gurugram (Gurgaon)	6	2.90	3	1.94	1,448	3,402.40
Zug	6	2.90	2	1.29	48	174.90
Milan	5	2.42	1	0.65	324	11,738.20
Chennai	4	1.93	4	2.58	160	357.40
Rotterdam	4	1.93	2	1.29	434	925.00
Geneva	3	1.45	3	1.94	109	305.30
Glasgow	3	1.45	2	1.29	625	144.20
Hong Kong	3	1.45	3	1.94	30	690.30
Paris	3	1.45	3	1.94	374	303.70
Toronto	3	1.45	2	1.29	437	3,060.30
Amsterdam	2	0.97	2	1.29	189	1,500.30
Copenhagen	2	0.97	2	1.29	40	251.60
Ebene	2	0.97	1	0.65	160	4,862.80
Enkhuizen	2	0.97	1	0.65	3	32.20
Göteborg	2	0.97	2	1.29	712	2,027.90
Kuwait City	2	0.97	2	1.29	788	5,412.00
Other source cities	101	48.79	100	64.52	18,302	82,437.20
Not Specified	6	2.90	6	3.87	1,116	3,054.20
Total	207	100.00	170	109.68	38,441	185,925.40

Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

Destination Cities

Out of a total of 19 destination cities, Durban accounts for the majority of projects. Project volume in this destination city peaked during 2013, with 13 projects tracked.

Durban has received the highest number of total jobs and greatest investment with a total of 16,940 jobs and ZAR 62.24bn investment. Melmoth has the largest project size on average in terms of both investment and jobs creation.

FDI trends by destination city

Destination city	Projects		Companies		Jobs Created	Capital Investment (ZAR m)
	No	%	No	%		
Durban	122	58.94	108	69.68	16,940	62,240.50
Richards Bay	11	5.31	11	7.10	2,852	34,470.50
Pietermaritzburg	10	4.83	9	5.81	5,589	3,333.40
Umhlanga	7	3.38	6	3.87	739	719.40
Ladysmith	6	2.90	3	1.94	1,870	4,319.70
Pinetown	5	2.42	5	3.23	805	1,250.20
Newcastle	3	1.45	3	1.94	500	1,641.40
Ballito	2	0.97	2	1.29	108	1,033.90
Umbogintwini	2	0.97	2	1.29	154	578.30
Umkomass	2	0.97	2	1.29	48	822.20
Zimbali	2	0.97	2	1.29	788	5,412.00
Cornubia	1	0.48	1	0.65	27	325.20
Empangeni	1	0.48	1	0.65	377	424.90
Estcourt	1	0.48	1	0.65	21	2,581.70
Isithebe	1	0.48	1	0.65	98	174.90
Melmoth	1	0.48	1	0.65	2,983	30,680.00
Pongola	1	0.48	1	0.65	102	527.70
Umdloti	1	0.48	1	0.65	12	426.50
Umlazi	1	0.48	1	0.65	21	168.70
Not Specified	27	13.04	21	13.55	4,407	34,792.70
Total	207	100.00	170	109.68	38,441	185,925.40

Source: FT Locations from The Financial Times Ltd

Project Profiles

August 2025 - Epicenter (Epicenter Technologies Private Limited) into South Africa

Epicenter (Epicenter Technologies Private Limited) (Mumbai, India) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Business services sector in a Business Services project.

India-based Epicenter, a provider of business process management, technology, and outsourcing services, has opened a new office in Durban, South Africa.

Jobs Created: 12 (est)

Investment: ZAR 426.45 million (est)

FDI project type: New

August 2025 - Mahindra & Mahindra South Africa, a subsidiary of Mahindra Group into South Africa

Mahindra & Mahindra South Africa, a subsidiary of Mahindra Group (Mumbai, India) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Automotive OEM sector in a Manufacturing project.

Mahindra & Mahindra South Africa, an automobile company and a subsidiary of India-based Mahindra Group, has opened a 14,000 sq m vehicle assembly facility in Durban, South Africa. The plant is situated at the Dube TradePort Special Economic Zone. It will be able to assemble over 1000 of the company's Pik-Up model trucks per month. The plant is expected to create 100 jobs and it will serve the domestic market.

"This investment underscores our confidence in South Africa as both a manufacturing base and a key growth market for Mahindra globally," said Rajesh Gupta, chief executive officer, Mahindra & Mahindra South Africa.

Company contact: Rajesh Gupta (Chief Executive Officer, Mahindra & Mahindra South Africa)

Jobs Created: 100

Investment: ZAR 326.74 million (est)

FDI project type: New

May 2025 - AP Moller - Maersk into South Africa

AP Moller - Maersk (Copenhagen, Denmark) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Transportation & Warehousing sector in a Logistics, Distribution & Transportation project.

Denmark-based AP Moller - Maersk, a logistics and shipping company, will open a new cold store facility in Durban, South Africa. Located in Cato Ridge, the facility will open in quarter four of 2025. The facility will serve the domestic market. The facility will be used for fruits such as grapes, citrus, oranges. This is part of the company's broader strategy of opening three cold storage facilities that the company will operate in South Africa before the end of 2025.

Company contact: Lubabalo Mtya (Managing Director (South Africa))

Jobs Created: 31 (est)

Investment: ZAR 151.87 million (est)

FDI project type: New

February 2025 - Chartered Solutions into South Africa

Chartered Solutions (London, United Kingdom) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Business services sector in a Business Services project.

UK-based Chartered Solutions, a company that specialises in audit and accounting, has opened an office in Durban, South Africa. This is the company's second office in South Africa. It serves the domestic market.

Jobs Created: 12 (est)

Investment: ZAR 426.45 million (est)

FDI project type: New

January 2025 - Marine True Value Solutions into South Africa

Marine True Value Solutions (Bhavnagar, India) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Business services sector in a Business Services project.

India-based Marine True Value Solutions, a maritime consultancy, has opened a new branch in Durban, South Africa. It is located at 10 Swingate Place, Southgate, Phoenix.

Jobs Created: 12 (est)

Investment: ZAR 426.45 million (est)

FDI project type: New

November 2024 - DSV into South Africa

DSV (Brundby, Denmark) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Transportation & Warehousing sector in a Logistics, Distribution & Transportation project.

Denmark-based DSV, a transport and logistics company, has opened a new logistics facility in Durban, South Africa. Situated in Riverhorse Valley, the facility includes 37,450 sq m of warehouse space, 2400 sq m of office space, and more than 350 parking bays. The facility serves South Africa. This facility forms part of an R4.6bn investment that covers three facilities in South Africa.

Company contact: Melanie Smit (Managing Director, DSV Air & Sea)

Jobs Created: 20 (est)

Investment: ZAR 154.93 million (est)

FDI project type: New

October 2024 - Xylem into South Africa

Xylem (Washington, DC, United States) is investing in the city of Richards Bay, South Africa in the Industrial equipment sector in a Sales, Marketing & Support project.

US-based Xylem, a water technology firm, has opened a new office in Richards Bay, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. It is located in Richards Bay Industrial Development Zone (RBIDZ) and will serve the local market.

"Being closely situated to the RBIDZ, we can focus more effectively on this important market, enhancing our ability to drive customer success, expand our presence in emerging markets, and concentrate on serving public utilities," says Reuben Marowa, director, sales and operations at Xylem Africa.

Company contact: Reuben Marowa (Sales and Operations Director, Xylem Africa)

Jobs Created: 12 (est)

Investment: ZAR 42.95 million (est)

FDI project type: New

September 2024 - International Workplace Group (Regus) into South Africa

International Workplace Group (Regus) (Zug, Switzerland) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Real estate sector in a Business Services project.

Switzerland-based International Workplace Group, a workspace and office provider, is to open a new business centre at Club Place in Durban, South Africa. It is expected to commence operations in October 2024.

Jobs Created: 8 (est)

Investment: ZAR 29.15 million (est)

FDI project type: New

August 2024 - Ogihara, a subsidiary of Thai Summit Group into South Africa

Ogihara, a subsidiary of Thai Summit Group (Samut Prakan, Thailand) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Automotive components sector in a Manufacturing project.

Ogihara, a subsidiary of Thailand-based Thai Summit, has established a new joint venture with CFAO South Africa to establish a new component manufacturing plant located at the Dube Tradeport in Durban. The new unit, known as Ogihara South Africa, will supply products to Toyota South Africa.

Jobs Created: 160 (est)

Investment: ZAR 196.35 million (est)

FDI project type: New

August 2024 - Hankyu Hanshin Holdings into South Africa

Hankyu Hanshin Holdings (Osaka, Japan) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Transportation & Warehousing sector in a Logistics, Distribution & Transportation project.

Japan-based Hankyu Hanshin Holdings, a holding firm, is relocating and expanding its branch and warehouse in Durban, South Africa for its local entity, Intraspeed South Africa. The investment will be implemented by early 2025.

Jobs Created: 20 (est)

Investment: ZAR 154.93 million (est)

FDI project type: Expansion

August 2024 - Prianto into South Africa

Prianto (Munich, Germany) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Software & IT services sector in a Sales, Marketing & Support project.

Germany-based Prianto, which specialises in the distribution of enterprise software, focusing on areas such as virtualisation, cloud computing, cybersecurity, and data management, has opened a new branch in Durban, South Africa. It serves the domestic market.

Company contact: William Geens (Co-Founder)

Jobs Created: 9 (est)

Investment: ZAR 79.77 million (est)

FDI project type: New

April 2024 - MBH Design Studio into South Africa

MBH Design Studio (West Byfleet, United Kingdom) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Business services sector in a Business Services project.

UK-based MBH Design Studio, an architectural design and interior design company, has moved into a larger office in Durban, South Africa.

Jobs Created: 12 (est)

Investment: ZAR 426.45 million (est)

FDI project type: Expansion

March 2024 - Scan Global Logistics into South Africa

Scan Global Logistics (Copenhagen, Denmark) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Transportation & Warehousing sector in a Sales, Marketing & Support project.

Denmark-based Scan Global Logistics, which provides transportation and logistics services, has moved into a larger office in Durban, South Africa. The facility is located at La Lucia Ridge Office Park.

Company contact: Jerome James (Managing Director (South Africa))

Jobs Created: 9 (est)

Investment: ZAR 99.71 million (est)

FDI project type: Expansion

March 2024 - Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC) into South Africa

Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC) (Geneva, Switzerland) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Transportation & Warehousing sector in a Logistics, Distribution & Transportation project.

Switzerland-based Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC), a company engaged in the shipping and logistics sector, has opened a 15,000 sq m cold storage facility in Durban, South Africa. It has a capacity of 8,000 to 10,000 pallets.

Company contact: Soren Toft (Chief Executive Officer)

Jobs Created: 20 (est)

Investment: ZAR 154.93 million (est)

FDI project type: New

November 2023 - Netzsch Southern Africa, a subsidiary of Erich Netzsch Holding into South Africa

Netzsch Southern Africa, a subsidiary of Erich Netzsch Holding (Selb, Germany) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Industrial equipment sector in a Manufacturing project.

Netzsch Southern Africa, a subsidiary of Germany-based Netzsch, a manufacturer of positive displacement pumps, has opened a new, 1200 sq m assembly centre in Durban, South Africa. The new centre enables the company to meet the rising demand for progressing cavity pumps in Africa. The existing plant in Johannesburg will be repurposed as a sales and service centre.

Company contact: Andreas Denker (Chief Executive Officer)

Jobs Created: 67 (est)

Investment: ZAR 326.74 million (est)

FDI project type: New

October 2023 - FutureLife, a subsidiary of PepsiCo into South Africa

FutureLife, a subsidiary of PepsiCo (Purchase (NY), United States) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Food and Beverages sector in a Manufacturing project.

FutureLife, a functional food company and a subsidiary of US-based PepsiCo, a food and beverage firm, has invested R75m to open a new facility in Dube Trade Port, Durban, South Africa. The new facility has created 196 new jobs.

Company contact: Riaan Heyl (Chief Executive Officer (South Africa))

Jobs Created: 196

Investment: ZAR 60.29 million

FDI project type: New

August 2023 - Jindal Steel & Power, a subsidiary of Jindal Organisation (OP Jindal) into South Africa

Jindal Steel & Power, a subsidiary of Jindal Organisation (OP Jindal) (New Delhi, India) is investing in the city of Melmoth, South Africa in the Metals sector in a Extraction project.

Jindal Steel & Power, a subsidiary of India-based industrial conglomerate Jindal Organisation, has announced that it is to invest \$2bn to develop an iron-ore mine in Melmoth, South Africa. It is expected to commence production in 2027 and will produce 32 million tonnes of magnetite ore a year by 2031. It expects to obtain a mining license in 2024 and a processing plant will take more than two years to construct. The ore could be exported for use by Jindal's steel mills in Oman or India.

Company contact: Savitri Jindal (Owner)

Jobs Created: 2983 (est)

Investment: ZAR 30,680.00 million

FDI project type: New

August 2023 - Redington into South Africa

Redington (Chennai, India) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Software & IT services sector in a Business Services project.

India-based Redington, a technology solutions provider, has opened a support office in Durban, South Africa. The move is part of a wider strategic expansion into South Africa. It will serve the South Africa market.

Company contact: Viswanath Pallasena (Chief Executive Officer (Middle East and Africa))

Jobs Created: 66 (est)

Investment: ZAR 93.57 million (est)

FDI project type: New

July 2023 - Kura into South Africa

Kura (Glasgow, United Kingdom) is investing in the city of Umhlanga, South Africa in the Business services sector in a Customer Contact Centre project.

UK-based Kura, a provider of outsourced contact centre services, has further expanded its contact centre in Umhlanga, South Africa. The company has opened a new site at Richefond Circle to support its growth.

Company contact: Brian Bannatyne (Chief Executive Officer)

Jobs Created: 408 (est)

Investment: ZAR 76.70 million (est)

FDI project type: Expansion

July 2023 - Cislalina Tours, a subsidiary of Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC) into South Africa

Cislalina Tours, a subsidiary of Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC) (Geneva, Switzerland) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Hotels & tourism sector in a Sales, Marketing & Support project.

Cislalina Tours, a travel management company that operates as an ultimate subsidiary of Switzerland-based Mediterranean Shipping Company, has announced plans to establish an office in Durban, South Africa.

Company contact: Vaso Nikola Leonidou (Managing Director (Cyprus), Cislalina Tours)

Jobs Created: 18 (est)

Investment: ZAR 19.94 million (est)

FDI project type: New

June 2023 - Alpla (Alpla Werke Alwin Lehner) into South Africa

Alpla (Alpla Werke Alwin Lehner) (Hard, Austria) is investing in the city of Ballito, South Africa in the Plastics sector in a Recycling project.

Austria-based Alpla Werke Alwin Lehner, a packaging solutions and recycling company, will invest E60m to establish a new PET recycling plant on a 90,000 sq m site near Ballito, South Africa. It is expected to open by autumn 2024. The plant will employ 100 people.

Company contact: Philipp Lehner (Chief Executive Officer)

Jobs Created: 100

Investment: ZAR 1,004.46 million

FDI project type: New

March 2023 - Sumitomo Rubber South Africa, a subsidiary of Sumitomo Group into South Africa

Sumitomo Rubber South Africa, a subsidiary of Sumitomo Group (Tokyo, Japan) is investing in the city of Ladysmith, South Africa in the Rubber sector in a Manufacturing project.

Tyre manufacturer Sumitomo Rubber South Africa, a subsidiary of Japan-based Sumitomo Group, has plans to invest in an expansion of its plant in Ladysmith, South Africa. This will improve local production capacity, expand product lines, and create new job opportunities, reinforcing support for the domestic market.

Company contact: Lubin Ozoux (Chief Executive Officer, Sumitomo Rubber South Africa)

Jobs Created: 381 (est)

Investment: ZAR 625.87 million (est)

FDI project type: Expansion

January 2023 - Advanced Call Center Technologies (ACT) into South Africa

Advanced Call Center Technologies (ACT) (Berwyn (PA), United States) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Business services sector in a Customer Contact Centre project.

US-based Advanced Call Center Technologies, a provider of contact centre and back-office support services, has opened a new facility in Durban, South Africa. The new facility will serve global markets and create 1000 new jobs.

Company contact: Susan Parker (Chief Operating Officer)

Jobs Created: 1000

Investment: ZAR 116.58 million (est)

FDI project type: New

January 2023 - Toyota South Africa, a subsidiary of Toyota Motor into South Africa

Toyota South Africa, a subsidiary of Toyota Motor (Toyota, Japan) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Renewable energy sector in a Electricity project.

Toyota South Africa Motors, a vehicle manufacturer and a subsidiary of Japan-based Toyota Motor, is to invest more than R800m to install 31 megawatts of solar capacity at its production plant in Durban, South Africa. This is in line with the company's goal to move to renewable energy by 2028 and become carbon neutral by 2035.

Company contact: Andrew Kirby (Chief Executive Officer, Toyota SA)

Jobs Created: 9 (est)

Investment: ZAR 714.38 million

FDI project type: Co-Location

December 2022 - Open Access Data Centres (OADC), a subsidiary of West Indian Ocean Cable Company (WIOCC) into South Africa

Open Access Data Centres (OADC), a subsidiary of West Indian Ocean Cable Company (WIOCC) (Ebene, Mauritius) is investing in the city of Durban, South Africa in the Communications sector in a ICT & Internet Infrastructure project.

Open Access Data Centres (OADC), a subsidiary of Mauritius-based West Indian Ocean Cable Company, has announced that it will expand its data centre facility in Durban, South Africa.

Company contact: Dr Ayotunde Coker (Chief Executive Officer, Open Access Data Centres (OADC))

Jobs Created: 80 (est)

Investment: ZAR 2,431.39 million (est)

FDI project type: Expansion

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