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Investment and Trade:
Drilling Down into Our
Global Attractiveness

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This Bulletin is the fourth research input into the *Hashtag Perth* project that aims to gain an understanding of the investment attractiveness of Western Australia. It draws on data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics from 2001 - 2019.

Foreign Direct Investment Overview

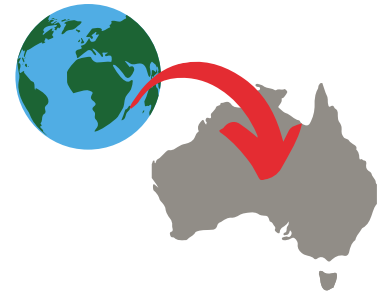


FDI is a key measure of national success in investment attraction and capacity for economic development

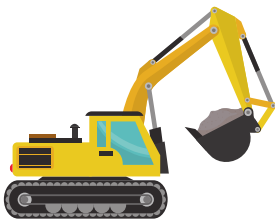


FDI is a major source of business creation and employment generation

Australian inward FDI attractiveness is strong globally



FDI in Western Australia



Our most attractive sector is mining and quarrying

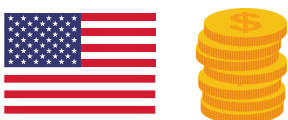
WA exports were over \$145b in 2018, considerably more than any other State



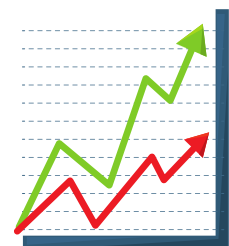
The downside of WA's attractiveness is an overheating of the economy and exacerbating spatial inequality

International Partnerships

USA has been the biggest investor since 2001, with \$214b FDI in 2018



Japan, UK, Netherlands and China are the next biggest investors in Australia



Both have been growing since 2001, but inward FDI is higher than outward FDI