

# Foreign Direct Investment (FDI): MALAYSIA

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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.

# -\$596 Million

Total 2023 stock of FDI from  
Malaysia  
to the United States

(by UBO)

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Supporting U.S. Jobs

## 2,400

Number of U.S. workers employed by U.S. affiliates of majority Malaysian-owned firms in 2021.



Investing in Innovative R&D

## \$18.1 billion

Value of research and development (R&D) spending by U.S. affiliates of majority Asian and Pacific-owned firms in 2021.\*



Expanding U.S. Exports

## \$22.0 million

Value of U.S. goods exports by majority Malaysian-owned firms operating in the United States in 2021.

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (latest available as of August 21, 2024), fDi Markets (data from July 2014 - June 2024)

\*Regional data is used when market-specific data has been suppressed or has not met a certain threshold.

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

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
<b>Position (UBO)</b>	\$1,307	\$342	-\$286	-\$523	<b>-\$596</b>
<b>Flow</b>	-\$224	\$216	\$6	\$142	<b>\$68</b>

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

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
<b>Position</b>	\$12,673	\$13,788	\$11,349	\$12,508	<b>\$10,926</b>
<b>Flow</b>	\$237	\$968	\$776	\$1,149	<b>-\$1,447</b>

## TOP 6 INDUSTRY SECTORS

By # of announced Malaysian FDI projects in the USA

- #1 Business Services
- #2 Plastics
- #3 Metals
- #4 Medical Devices
- #5 Minerals
- #6 Food & Beverages

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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