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Dear Mr Chadwick,

As National Statistician and Chief Executive of the UK Statistics Authority, I am responding to your Parliamentary Question asking for the publication of a list of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in Wales by county (**26763**).

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) publishes experimental sub-national FDI data showing positions, flows and earnings of FDI in Wales. These data are published at International Territorial Level (ITL) 2, and for Wales these include a breakdown into 'East Wales' and 'West Wales and The Valleys'.

The latest sub-national data for Wales are available up to 2021¹ and have been presented in Table 1.

Yours sincerely,



Professor Sir Ian Diamond

¹<https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/nationalaccounts/balanceofpayments/articles/foreigndirectinvestmexperimentaluksubnationalstatistics/2021>

Table 1: Inward Foreign Direct Investment positions, flows and earnings in Wales, 2015-2021^{2,3}.

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Positions							
East Wales	12,666	33,159	10,265	12,842	9,708	23,452	32,612
West Wales and The Valleys	9,327	12,677	7,721	9,895	10,702	10,851	9,288
Wales	21,993	45,835	17,986	22,737	20,410	34,033	41,900
Flows							
East Wales	1,105	c	1,063	132	903	c	c
West Wales and The Valleys	293	-55	-236	417	454	c	c
Wales	1,398	c	827	549	1,357	10,969	937
Earnings							
East Wales	878	593	647	837	432	-169	1,769
West Wales and The Valleys	20	-52	690	762	498	498	390
Wales	899	541	1,337	1,599	931	329	2,159

Source: Office for National Statistics

²'c' denotes the value has been suppressed to protect confidentiality

³The Sum of constituent items may not match the Wales total due to rounding.