

## China sees 11.7% increase in number of new foreign firms



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Beijing, July 20 (QNA) – The number of newly established foreign-invested enterprises in China rose by 11.7% year-on-year to 30,014 in the first half of 2025, official data showed.

According to China’s Ministry of Commerce, actual foreign direct investment (FDI) during the Januaryâ€“June period totaled 423.23 billion yuan (\$58.9 billion), down 15.2% from a year earlier.

Investment in the manufacturing sector reached 109.06 billion yuan, while high-tech industries

attracted 127.87 billion yuan. Investment in the tertiary sector drew 305.87 billion yuan, with e-commerce services alone recording a 127.1 percent year-on-year jump.

FDI from Switzerland, Japan, the United Kingdom, Germany, and South Korea posted increases of 68.6%, 59.1%, 37.6%, 6.3%, and 2.7%, respectively, including capital routed through free ports.

Investment from ASEAN countries rose by 8.8% during the same period.