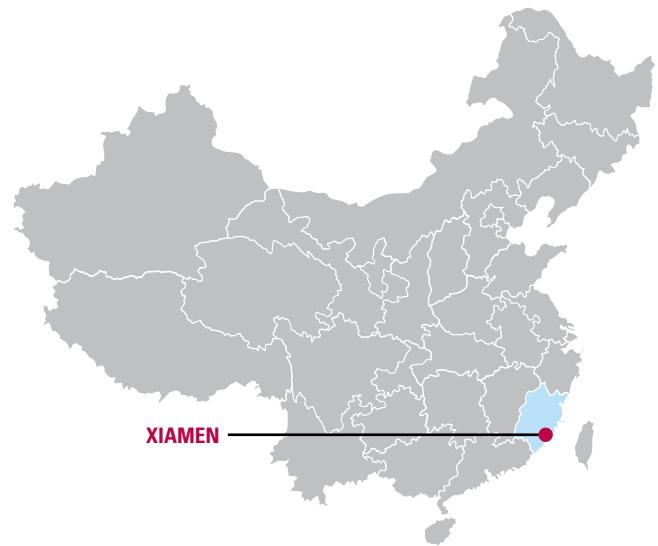


BASIC INFORMATION		Source: China City Statistical Yearbooks			
	2006	2007	2008	2009	
GDP (RMB bn)	116.8	138.8	156.0	173.7	
GDP per capita (RMB)	50130	56188	62651	68938	
FDI (US\$m)	3103.0	3255.2	2042.4	1686.7	
FDI projects (number)	569	474	355	325	
FAI (RMB bn)	66.2	92.8	92.8	88.2	

GROUPING BY ACTIVITY	GRADE
Overall	2
Overall domestic	1
Overall export	1
R&D	3
Sales	2

GROUPING BY CATEGORY	GRADE
Air	1
Rail	3
Automotive	2
Built Environment	2
Energy	3
Education	1
Health	3
Retail	2



Insights

- Key port for international and cross-straits (Taiwan) trade
- One of the first four Special Economic Zones (SEZs) of the 1980s

Key Industries

- Electronics
- Machinery
- Chemicals
- Banking

The main industries of Xiamen are electronics, machinery and chemicals. Of these, the electronics industry is the largest. Major products include computers and TVs. Dell, Lenovo and NEC are major investors in this sector. Other developing industries include pharmaceuticals, chemical production and processing, medical equipment, shipping, logistics and warehousing.

There is a high number of overseas banks in Xiamen, which has a large financial services industry.

Service outsourcing is an industry which the local government is actively promoting.

Xiamen has attracted significant investment a lot of investment from Taiwan and there are two Taiwanese business parks in the city.

Foreign Direct Investment

Foreign investors include:

- Black & Decker
- Areva
- Panasonic
- Schneider
- GE
- Philips
- Boeing
- ABB
- HSBC
- Standard Chartered Bank
- B&Q
- PwC

- KPMG
- Deloitte
- Ernst & Young
- Tesco

Opportunities

The following are projects which the city government is promoting in the next five years.

- Establishing R&D centre for the completion of an aircraft-maintenance projects to enhance services to large commercial aircraft
- Promotion of aircraft component manufacturing and Xiamen as a major Asian aviation maintenance service centre
- Completion of Xiamen Gaoqi Airport and start construction of Xiang'an International Airport
- Upgrading three water processing and two sewage treatment plants
- Construction of waste-incineration plant
- Promotion of wave and off-shore wind power
- Construction of two new hospitals and expansion of even existing ones

Projections

At over 50 per cent of the local economy, the service sector is already large in comparison to other Chinese cities. It has grown from 43 per cent in 2006.

The city government is keen to continue the development of Xiamen's aviation and shipping

industry, enabling it to be a major logistics hub and service centre. This also brings opportunities to UK companies in the form of integration within local supply chains.

Useful Contacts

UK Support

UK Trade & Investment:
www.ukti.gov.uk

British Embassy Beijing:
www.ukinchina.fco.gov.uk

China-Britain Business Council:
www.cbbc.org

British Chamber of Commerce in China:
www.britcham.org

Local Government

Xiamen City Government:
www.xm.gov.cn

Xiamen Administration of Industry and Commerce:
www.xm.fjaic.gov.cn

Xiamen Investment Promotion Area:
www.xiameninvest.com

Development Zones

Xiamen Haicang Taiwanese Investment Zone: and Xiamen Export Processing Zone:
www.amoyepz.com

Xiamen Torch Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone:
www.xmtorch.gov.cn