

SHIJIAZHUANG 石家庄

PROVINCE: HEBEI 河北省

BASIC INFORMATION		Source: China City Statistical Yearbooks			
	2006	2007	2008	2009	
GDP (RMB bn)	202.7	236.1	283.8	300.1	
GDP per capita (RMB)	21000	24243	28923	30428	
FDI (US\$m)	255.4	325.5	440.3	543.5	
FDI projects (number)	56	42	33	31	
FAI (RMB bn)	109.9	139.0	173.1	243.6	

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

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



Insights

- Provincial capital of Hebei Province
- 2009 FDI figure more than double that of 2006
- At the centre of Hebei's iron and steel industry

Key Industries

- Biopharmaceuticals
- Chemicals
- ICT
- Textiles and garments
- Petrochemicals
- Iron & steel

Shijiazhuang is one of China's largest centres for biological-related industries. Key companies in this are include North China Pharmaceutical Hasheng Corp and North China Pharmaceutical Beta Corp.

The chemicals sector is also important. The city's Shijiao Group, established in 1914, was the first coke manufacturer in China.

Shijiazhuang is also home to Sanlu Group, one of China's major dairy producers.

Foreign Direct Investment

Foreign investors include:

- BBA Group
- Fujitsu
- GE
- Monsanto

Opportunities

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

- Building of new terminal at Zhengding Airport
- New logistics facility at Zhengding Airport
- 460,000 new low-income apartments to accommodate 25 per cent of the population
- E-health system to cover all urban facilities
- Construction of two new hospitals

Projections

As heavy industry continues to be encouraged to move away from Beijing and Tianjin to cities in Hebei, more are expected to relocate to Shijiazhuang due to its position as a transport hub south of the capital. Transport links to Jinan (Shandong Province) and Zhengzhou (Henan Province) are being improved allowing companies with bases in these cities to expand their sales, marketing or procurement across a much wider area.

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

Shijiazhuang City Government:

www.sjz.gov.cn

Shijiazhuang Administration of Industry and Commerce:

www.sjzgs.gov.cn

Shijiazhuang Foreign Affairs Office:

www.sjzfao.gov.cn

Development Zones

Shijiazhuang Hi-tech Industrial Development Zone:

www.shidz.gov.cn