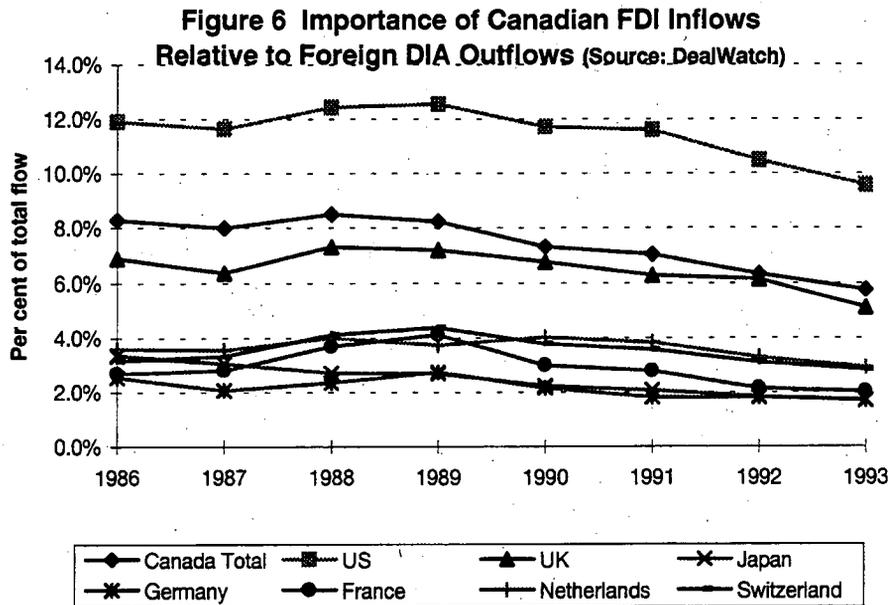


analysis in this section is useful in identifying the overall target industries for each selected economy relative to the corresponding industry-specific investment flowing from those countries to Canada.



Within a global context, Canada is a relatively small economy. Not surprisingly, foreign direct investment in Canada represents a relatively small proportion when compared with total direct investment abroad for the countries under study. Figure 6 illustrates the relative importance of foreign direct investment inflows to Canada from each country, as a proportion of the total direct investment abroad for these countries.

Of the seven countries selected, the United States is by far the country which is the largest investor in Canada. This is not surprising given the longstanding trading and investment relationship between the two countries, and the level of integration between the two economies.