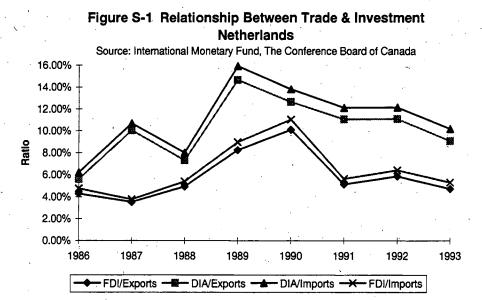
substantially higher than those of other countries, the Netherlands managed to retain its status as the country with the largest FDI inflows relative to size.



Data on Dutch investment relative to GDP also suggest that the Netherlands are a significant source of direct investment relative to its size. For 1993, outflows of Dutch direct investment abroad (Dutch DIA) was about 60 per cent of the 1989 peak, or about 10 per cent of trade in 1993 (compared with more than 15 per cent of trade in 1989). Despite this decline, the Dutch were relatively significant global investors in 1993. In fact, when comparing Dutch investment inflows and outflows to that of other countries covered by the report (see section two of the compendium report), it became apparent that the Dutch are substantially ahead of other countries on the basis of investment levels relative to GDP. Figure S-2 illustrates data on Dutch investment and trade levels relative to GDP.