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Invest in a connected, competitive and growing Caribbean



Scalable investment potential

The Caribbean attracts **USD 5bn+** in **annual FDI** and offers scalable opportunities supported by **sustained GDP growth of around 3%** across the region.

Gateway between North and South America

Located on key hemispheric trade routes, the Caribbean connects the US, Canada and Mexico with South American markets, offering **sub-5-hour flight times** and **strong maritime connectivity** across major regional hubs.

A coordinated regional investment ecosystem

Anchored by **CARICOM's single market** and supported by **CAIPA and 23 national IPAs**, the region offers streamlined investment facilitation, cross-border industry clusters and access to blended and multilateral finance.



[Insert quote from CAIPA on the regional opportunity]

Name, Role, Company

Why invest in the Bahamas?

Pro-Investment regulatory framework and incentive availability

The Government offers duty exemptions, tax concessions and sector-specific incentives across tourism, logistics, agribusiness, manufacturing and renewable energy supported by an investment with a clear approval processes aimed at reducing entry barriers for foreign investors.

Access to highly qualified, service driven talent pool

The Bahamas has a mature services-based economy, particularly in logistics, tourism and financial services. Investors can tap into a well-educated, English speaking labour force supported by specialised training institutions such as the LJM Maritime Academy and the University of the Bahamas.

Growing Opportunities in high-potential sectors

Renewables, logistics and agribusiness, are prioritized for new investment in the Bahamas. As an island nation heavily reliant on imports, logistics development is critical to meeting local and tourism-driven demand, whilst renewable energy investment is supporting stable access to reliable and clean energy sources across the Bahamas islands, reducing reliance on traditional fuels.

Strategic location as a regional gateway

The Bahamas sits at a prime crossroads between North America, South America and the wider Caribbean, directly along major shipping and aviation routes. This strategic position provides investors with access to nearby markets with short transport times.



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A favourable business environment





408k

Population¹



\$15.8bn

GDP¹



237k

Labour force²



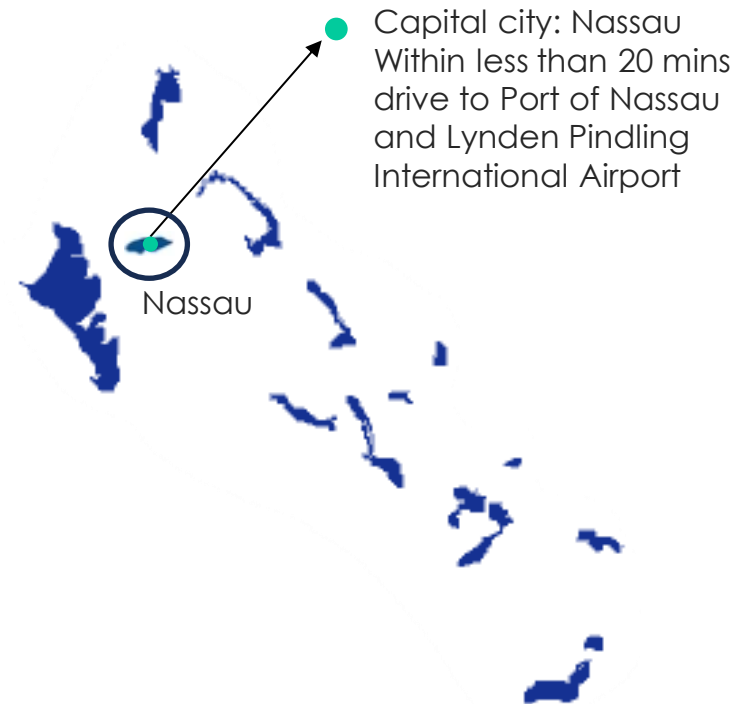
What makes The Bahamas attractive

The Bahamas presents a compelling investment environment, combining **strong foreign investment levels**, **exceptional export growth** and the **highest GDP per capita in the Latin America** and the Caribbean (LAC) region. Its **stable high-income economy** is projected to maintain a steady growth rate of **2.2% in 2025¹**. This growth, coupled with a **highly competitive tax regime**, further reinforces the country's appeal as a reliable and attractive destination for long-term investment.

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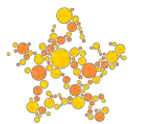
Access to a well connected and a robust economy

The Bahamas offers rapid air connectivity to the US, with **~1–1.5-hour flights to Florida** and **~3 hours to New York**, supporting efficient business travel and air cargo. Proximity to major **north–south shipping lanes**, anchored by the **Ports of Nassau and Freeport** and Lynden Pindling International Airport, enables fast maritime access and regional distribution.

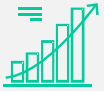


Capital city: Nassau
Within less than 20 mins drive to Port of Nassau and Lynden Pindling International Airport

Sources: ¹ IMF World Economic Outlook, ² International Labour Organization; Lynden Pindling International Airport; UNCTAD Liner Shipping Connectivity Index; Port Authority of The Bahamas



High-income economy with strong investment appeal



Strong foreign investment position

The Bahamas hold US\$30.6bn in FDI stock and its FDI stock per capita of US\$74,961 is the highest in the Latin America and Caribbean (LAC) region, reflecting sustained investor confidence in the economy¹.



Exceptional export momentum

Exports of goods reached US\$944mn in 2024, achieving a 35% year-on-year growth which is a clear indicator of expanding market reach and rising competitiveness across key sectors³.



Stable high-income economy

With a US\$15.8bn economy and the highest GDP per capita in the LAC region, The Bahamas offers a stable and affluent market supported by a projected 1.76% average annual growth rate between 2026 and 2030².



Attractive tax environment

The Bahamas maintains a 0% corporate income tax for most businesses with only large multinational enterprises subject to the OECD's 15% global minimum tax - a rate still well below the 25–35% corporate tax range common across the LAC region⁴.



Stable currency environment

The Bahamian dollar is permanently pegged to the US dollar at 1:1, providing exceptional monetary stability and eliminating exchange-rate risk for investors operating in or trading with the US market.

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2.

Access talent and utilities at a competitive cost



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Access to a pool of talent

Why The Bahamas?

The Bahamas offers a **highly competent and accessible talent pool**, supported by a fully **English-speaking workforce**, strong tertiary education institutions and **high levels of educational attainment**. This creates an adaptable labour base well suited for globally connected operations.

English-speaking workforce

As a fully English-speaking nation, The Bahamas offers a highly accessible talent pool that strengthens efficiency in global operations.

Strong tertiary education foundation

The Bahamas' higher-education system, led by the University of The Bahamas, develops talent in business, finance, ICT and tourism, ensuring a steady pipeline of graduates ready to support the economy.

Highly educated workforce

The Bahamas has an exceptionally educated workforce, with 98% of working-age individuals having completed upper secondary education or higher - one of the highest rates in the region. This creates a strong foundation for workforce quality, trainability and productivity across key sectors¹.



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IPA to check these rates and provide more accurate figures if available locally

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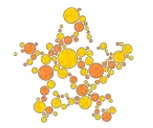
Operating costs

Role	Labour costs (USD) ¹
Engineer	\$83,176
Engineer Technician	\$40,478
Warehouse Manager	\$56,351
Warehouse Worker	\$27,032
Farm Worker	\$16,244

“ Engineer salaries in Bahamas are 27% lower than in the US¹

Utility	Utility costs (USD) ²
Electricity	\$0.37 kWh

Sources: 1 Salary Expert (2025), 2 Global Petrol Prices



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3.

Investment opportunities





US\$1.2bn

target for
agribusiness GDP
by 2031



~60%

of hotels and
resorts import
food from the US



~90%

of food products
are imported into
the country



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Increasing production in value-added **agribusiness**

Agriculture in the Bahamas is relatively small and domesticated; however, opportunities exist for in-market processing to supply growing demand, particularly from tourism.

Key firms and initiatives in the Bahamas



PlantLab, the Dutch indoor farming technology company, established production facilities in the Bahamas as part of its global expansion strategy, aiming to provide fresh, pesticide-free produce locally using its patented vertical farming tech, reducing transport & water use.



The Caribbean Bottling Company (Bahamas) Ltd. (CBC) and its predecessor companies have serviced the Bahamas with Coca-Cola products for over 75 years. With the acquisition of T&C Refreshments in 2013, CBC is now also the distributor for Coca-Cola products in the Turks & Caicos Islands.

Unlocking growth in value-added and sustainable **agribusiness**

Key Investment Opportunities



Import substitution through value-added processing

The Bahamas imports much of its food and agricultural products; with large hotels and resorts depending on food imports to serve the tourism economy demand. The government is committed to increasing the sector opportunity for processing and production of products for the local and regional market across the agriculture, livestock and aquaculture value chains.



Agritech and modern agribusiness systems

Due to limited arable land, and water resources constraints, modern Agritech and agribusiness production methods and systems offer a unique opportunity within the sector. Opportunities exist in hydroponics, aquaponics, regenerative agriculture and vertical farming systems to support local production.



Agritourism potential in the Bahamas

The Bahamas has a large tourism base, yet agriculture and food supply remain highly import-dependent, opportunities exist to tap into this tourism driven demand by offering unique experiences such as farm stays, culinary tours and educational experiences.



\$2.95bn

goods exported
in 2023



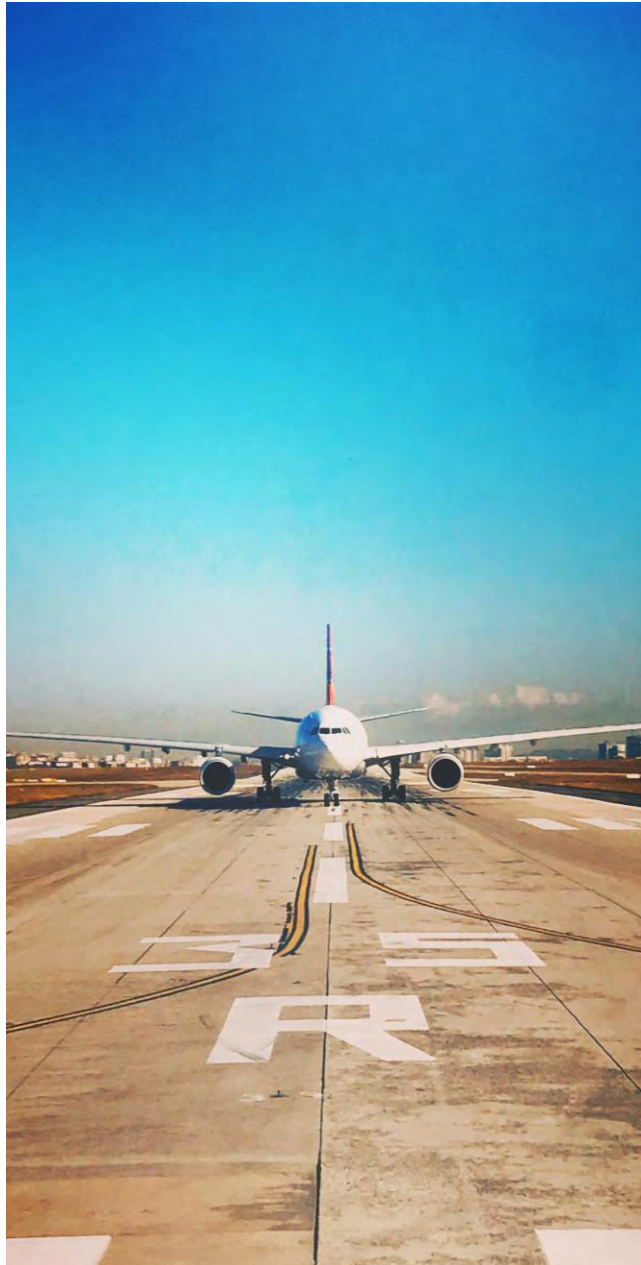
\$8.47bn

goods imported
in 2023



52

destinations with
non-stop flight
connections



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Invest in The Bahamas' emerging regional **logistics** hub

Logistics offers a significant investment opportunity required to enhance the efficiency of the movement of goods within the country and regionally.

As an island chain nation, The Bahamas is heavily reliant on logistics for trade. The Bahamas scores 2.7/5 in the 2023 logistics performance index with a similar quality of logistics services as seen in other regional peer locations such as the Dominican Republic and Jamaica.

The Bahamas has non-stop flight connections to 52 destinations including the US, Canada, and the UK, with strong regional connectivity in the Caribbean and Latin America.

Key anchor firms and business associations

Airport
logistics

VANTAGE
AIRPORT GROUP

KLG
EUROPE



Seaport
logistics



HUTCHISON PORTS



NASSAU CONTAINER PORT
Connecting Nassau to the World



Sources: Trading economics 2025, OEC Country profile, 2023, Flight Connections, 2025, World Bank Group, 2023.

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Key Investment Opportunities



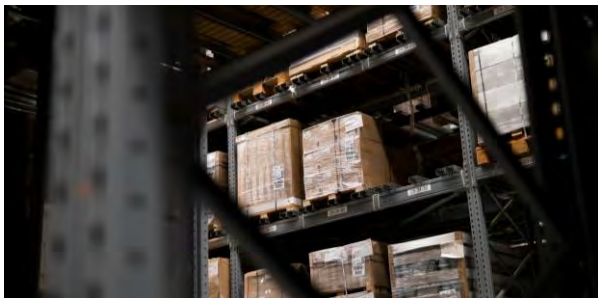
Maritime and aviation logistics services

Significant opportunity exists in the development of both port and air logistics networks in the Bahamas including the development of trans-shipment infrastructure, existing infrastructure enhancement and expansion, logistics park developments, and inter-island logistics service improvements.



Cold storage, regional distribution centres and third-party logistics

There is increasing demand for warehousing, distribution and cold-chain storage for perishables to better serve local and regional demand for food products. storage, order fulfilment, inventory management, customs brokerage for importers/retailers, especially those serving tourism, retail, e-commerce or import-heavy businesses



Ecommerce and digital distribution networks

As digital and import-oriented retail grows, demand for efficient fulfilment, fast delivery across the Bahamian islands, inventory management and last mile delivery services offer an untapped opportunity for investment in the country.



30%

Renewable by 2033



\$130m

Government investment into grid development



13.6%

rise in the number of renewable systems in 2024



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Seize growth opportunities in renewable energy in the Bahamas

Connect into renewable energy generation and transmission potential in the Bahamas nascent market targeted at reaching a 30% renewable energy mix by 2033.

The Bahamas National Energy Policy 2025-2030 highlights the importance of promoting transformational investments that are required in the Energy Sector of The Bahamas.

This includes the involvement of the private sector through direct investments, public-private partnerships, independent power producers and other routes.

Key stakeholders in the energy sector



Bahamas Power and Light is the main public electricity supplier for New Providence and many of the Bahamas Islands. BPL is central to the roll-out of grid-connected solar via power-purchase agreements (PPAs) with independent producers.



The Utilities Regulation and Competition Authority (URCA) is the independent regulatory authority with responsibility for the Electronic Communications Sector (ECS), the Electricity Sector (ES) and the Natural Gas Sector (NGS) in The Bahamas.

Seize growth opportunities in **renewable energy** in the Bahamas

Key Investment Opportunities



Utility-scale solar PV as a critical energy source for the Bahamas

New large-scale solar and storage solutions are a key investment opportunity in the Bahamas to reduce reliance on traditional fuel sources of energy and achieve national targets. Investors can participate in solar-generation, grid infrastructure development, and energy-storage solutions to increase network access and stability.



Energy efficiency and retrofit solutions

Given high energy costs and constraints of legacy infrastructure, there is substantial demand for energy-efficiency upgrades, solar-water heaters, rooftop PV for commercial/residential buildings, and retrofit solutions to reduce reliance on traditional fuel sources and improve efficiency.



Microgrid and remote systems


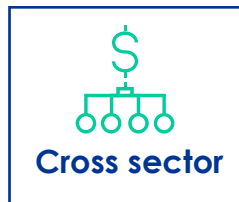
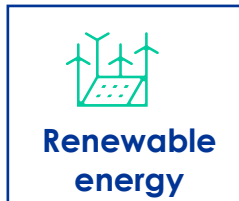
The government's "Family Islands Solarization" programme aims to install solar-and-storage microgrids on remote islands, reducing reliance on diesel generators and improving energy access. This opens opportunities for investment from firms specialising in microgrids, off-grid solutions, solar storage, and energy-services for remote communities within the Bahamas.

4.

Incentives and support

How the Bahamas can support your investment

Benefit from competitive incentives: **access duty-free imports, property tax exemption and sector specific support** designed to reduce costs and risk.



Industries Encouragement Act
Provides duty-free concessions for the importation of machinery, raw materials and building supplies for manufacturing entities in addition to property tax exemption for a 15-year period.



Custom duty exemptions
Exemption from the payment of customs duties and real property taxes for periods up to 20 years on operations meeting criteria in manufacturing for export, agriculture manufacturing and spirit and beer production



The Tariff Act
Allows for customs duty exemption on specified raw materials, supplies and equipment for Agriculture, Floriculture, Horticulture, Fisheries, Forestry, Cottage and Light Industries, and Commercial Printing.



Free Trade Zones Act
Designates areas within The Bahamas as free industrial and commercial zones with specific incentives including exemptions on custom duties, property tax, stamp tax and income and taxes on earnings except for national insurance

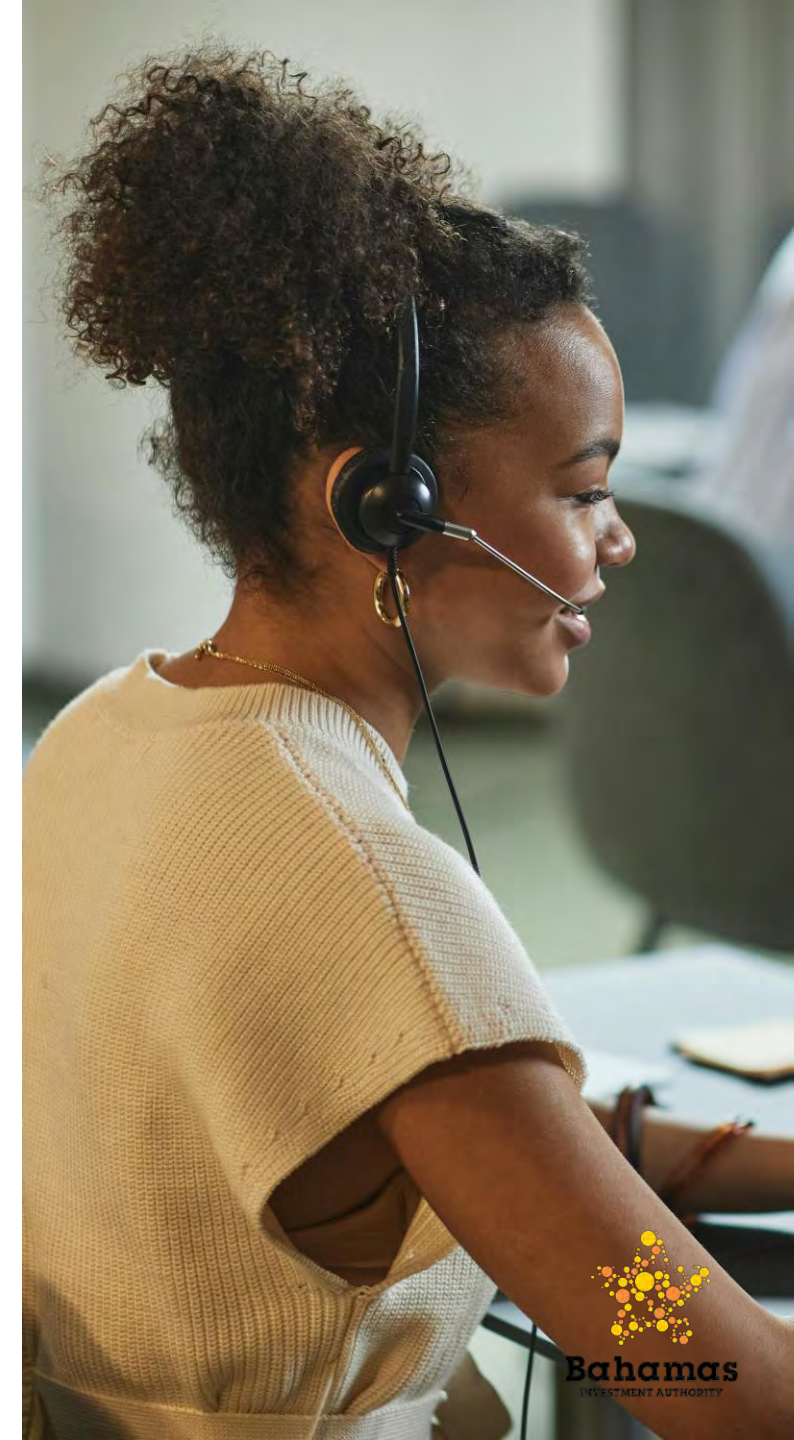
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Up to 15-year tax exemptions on property required for manufacturing operations

How the Bahamas is supporting your investments

Leverage institutional support by collaborating with key in markets partners to support your next investment to thrive in the Bahamas.

Key Institutions

<u>Ministry of Agriculture and Marine Resources</u>	Oversees agribusiness marketing and development and maintains relations with BAIC
<u>Ministry of Public works</u>	Oversees road and transport infrastructure; critical for site access, freight corridors, and logistics connectivity.
<u>Ministry of Energy and Transport</u>	Critical entity overseeing the development of the energy sector and critical infrastructure including port and maritime development
<u>Bahamas Agricultural and Industrial Corporation (BAIC)</u>	Supports industrial development within the Bahamian agriculture sector and supports linkages with the local sector.
<u>The Bahamas Maritime Authority</u>	Key agency in the regulation of maritime vessels and shipping logistics in the Country.
<u>Ministry of Economic Affairs</u>	Provides vision, strategic direction, and policy related to financial resources, economic diversification, and growth.



Free of charge services from the Bahamas Investment Authority



One-stop shop

The Bahamas Investment Authority acts as a “one-stop shop” to simplify investment — serving as administrative arm of the government’s Investment Board and reducing bureaucratic delays for investors.



Guidance and information provision

The Bahamas Investment Authority provides information on investment opportunities and policy in the country including sector specific details to help investors identify suitable projects and opportunity.



Tailored investment facilitation

The Bahamas Investment Authority provides dedicated support for project timelines following approval. It helps with the coordination of relevant ministries and government agencies to ensure a streamlined investment process.



Aftercare and expansion assistance

The agency provides ongoing support throughout the entire investment lifecycle, including post-project implementation and expansion strategies to facilitate long-term business growth in The Bahamas.



Support in securing investment-related incentives

The Bahamas Investment Authority guides the investor through the incentive landscape, including duty exemptions, tax or customs concessions under relevant laws for qualifying projects.

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