

NORTHERN REGION OF THAILAND



**Table Attached to Press Release on Northern Region Economic Conditions
in September 2005 and in Nine Months of 2005**

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	Unit	2004	2004		2005					
			Q3	Jan-Sep	Q1	Q2	Q3	Jan-Sep	Aug	Sep
1. Agriculture										
- Major crop prices										
Major Rice 5%	Baht/Metric ton	5,371 (7.7)	n.a. -	5,119 (2.5)	6,245 (22.0)	n.a. -	n.a. -	6,245 (22.0)	n.a. -	n.a. -
Glutinous	Baht/Metric ton	6,284 (11.0)	6,504 (9.7)	6,451 (15.8)	6,048 (-3.1)	6,304 (-4.5)	6,393 (-1.7)	6,249 (-3.1)	6,359 (-2.8)	6,491 (3.0)
Second Rice 14-15%	Baht/Metric ton	5,229 (14.7)	5,386 (14.6)	5,172 (13.2)	n.a. -	n.a. -	n.a. -	n.a. -	n.a. -	6,800 (22.8)
Sugarcane	Baht/Metric ton	524 (-5.6)	n.a. -	524 (-5.6)	706 (34.8)	706 (34.7)	n.a. -	706 (34.7)	n.a. -	n.a. -
Cassava	Baht/Kilogram	0.78 (-11.1)	0.84 (-13.9)	0.72 (-20.1)	1.27 (83.1)	1.31 (113.6)	1.33 (57.2)	1.30 (81.6)	1.33 (49.4)	1.35 (50.0)
Maize 14%	Baht/Kilogram	4.62 (6.8)	4.87 (10.5)	4.72 (8.5)	4.98 (18.2)	4.89 (-15.5)	4.98 (2.2)	4.95 (4.9)	5.03 (4.6)	4.85 (20.4)
Soybean	Baht/Kilogram	12.15 (17.1)	10.69 (4.0)	13.06 (29.4)	11.24 (-17.4)	10.49 (-30.8)	10.40 (-2.8)	10.68 (-18.3)	10.90 (1.4)	9.89 (-7.0)
Garlic	Baht/Kilogram	19.18 (-34.8)	n.a. -	19.18 (-34.8)	22.98 (14.9)	20.62 (10.6)	21.54 -	21.56 (12.4)	20.90 -	24.50 -
Shallot	Baht/Kilogram	10.67 (-38.9)	n.a. -	10.67 (-38.9)	8.77 (-15.5)	11.67 (7.3)	25.84 -	12.58 (17.8)	n.a. -	25.84 -
Longan	Baht/Kilogram	9.10 (-23.6)	8.39 (-29.6)	8.13 (-31.8)	n.a. -	n.a. -	7.33 (-12.6)	7.33 (-9.8)	7.00 (-10.7)	n.a. -
Lychee	Baht/Kilogram	12.81 (-17.4)	n.a. -	12.81 (-17.4)	n.a. -	9.63 (-24.8)	n.a. -	9.63 (-24.8)	n.a. -	n.a. -
2. Manufacturing										
- Export value registered at Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	1,589.1 (25.5)	417.2 (31.0)	1,207.2 (34.0)	385.7 (-1.5)	440.4 (10.5)	444.7 (6.6)	1,270.7 (5.3)	151.6 (14.9)	148.9 (10.4)
- Sugar production	'000 metric tons	1,872.2 (3.8)	- -	1,575.2 (1.7)	1,137.5 (-24.6)	1.2 (-98.2)	- -	1,138.7 (-27.7)	- -	- -
- Zinc production	Metric tons	115,096 (1.2)	28,388 (-1.2)	84,938 (3.3)	24,289 (1.3)	26,762 (-17.8)	26,114 (-8.0)	77,165 (-9.2)	8,830 (-6.2)	n.a. -
3. Services										
- VAT collected from hotels and restaurants	Million baht	253.9 (18.2)	53.3 (25.6)	194.0 (21.2)	75.3 (-4.4)	66.6 (7.6)	n.a. -	n.a. -	18.7 (-0.9)	n.a. -
- Air passenger	'000 persons	3,832.3 (35.7)	933.5 (48.3)	2,685.9 (38.5)	1,076.9 (13.3)	875.2 (9.1)	919.0 (-1.6)	2,871.1 (6.9)	330.2 (-2.6)	267.2 (-4.2)
- Service business electrical usage	Million kw-h	239.6 (5.8)	62.9 (5.8)	182.5 (7.6)	56.4 (1.8)	67.2 (4.7)	n.a. -	n.a. -	22.04 (4.9)	n.a. -
- Hotel average occupancy rate	Percent	56.6	51.2	53.5	62.1	41.8	48.0	50.6	51.9	40.5
- Hotel average room rate	Baht/room-night	888.0 (11.8)	776.5 (4.7)	863.3 (9.1)	1,042.0 (11.6)	886.0 (0.7)	799.2 (2.9)	909.1 (5.3)	807.2 (1.6)	779.7 (1.9)
4. Private Consumption										
- VAT collected from wholesale/retail trade 2/	Million baht	2,260.5 (16.2)	547.8 (8.7)	1,664.2 (18.5)	634.3 (9.9)	672.4 (24.7)	724.7 (32.3)	2,031.4 (22.1)	244.5 (31.2)	262.7 P/ (43.2)
- Registered motorcycle	Units	313,476 (6.0)	79,455 (3.1)	241,439 (5.0)	83,543 (8.0)	81,480 (-3.7)	77,335 (-2.7)	242,358 (0.4)	27,332 (4.6)	23,887 P/ (-1.3)
- Registered car	Units	64,786 (28.1)	15,320 (15.1)	51,816 (26.7)	22,385 (15.4)	19,110 (11.8)	17,316 (13.0)	58,811 (13.5)	6,161 (30.2)	5,308 P/ (13.1)
- Household electrical usage	Million kw-h	3,141.0 (4.4)	826.5 (5.9)	2,417.1 (7.5)	709.8 (-4.1)	888.9 (4.5)	n.a. -	n.a. -	267.7 (-2.8)	n.a. -
5. Private Investment										
- Construction areas permitted in municipal zone	'000 Square meters	1,311 (-4.4)	363 (-13.6)	1,000 (-1.5)	357 (15.0)	301 (-8.0)	325 (-10.3)	983 (-1.7)	112 (-8.1)	124 P/ (13.9)
- Land transaction fees	Million baht	510.6 (15.4)	127.2 (19.4)	372.5 (34.7)	128.1 (0.8)	126.7 (7.1)	130.1 (2.3)	385.0 (3.3)	43.5 (3.1)	43.5 P/ (6.8)

Notes : The figures in parentheses represent percentage change from the same period last year (% change year-on-year), E/ = estimate, P/ = preliminary, R/= revise,

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1/ = VAT collected from wholesale/retail trade, repair of motor vehicles/cycles and personal/household goods

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	Unit	2004	2004		2005						
			Q3	Jan-Sep	Q1	Q2	Q3	Jan-Sep	Aug	Sep	
- BOI's approved project											
Number	Projects	73	23	52	15	10	13	38	6	5	
Investment value	Million baht	(35.2)	(43.8)	(30.0)	(7.1)	(-33.3)	(-43.5)	(-26.9)	(-25.0)	(-37.5)	
		13,292.7	4,300.4	9,169.7	1,067.6	1,244.1	1,982.1	4,293.8	453.7	728.4	
		(88.2)	(59.2)	(73.4)	(37.9)	(-69.6)	(-53.9)	(-53.2)	(-48.5)	(-54.1)	
6. Foreign Trade											
- Exports registered at northern region customs houses	Million US\$	2,162.3	570.8	1,629.3	578.8	620.5	639.3	1,838.7	227.2	209.2	
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	(28.8)	(32.0)	(36.0)	(11.7)	(14.8)	(12.0)	(12.8)	(22.0)	(14.1)	
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	142.3	39.1	110.3	32.3	51.7	71.5	155.5	33.3	17.5	
Border trade	Million US\$	(-0.7)	(-1.7)	(-0.2)	(1.8)	(31.0)	(82.9)	(41.0)	(189.8)	(45.8)	
Myanmar	Million US\$	1,589.1	417.2	1,207.2	385.7	440.4	444.7	1,270.7	151.6	148.9	
Southern China	Million US\$	(25.5)	(31.0)	(34.0)	(-1.5)	(10.5)	(6.6)	(5.3)	(14.9)	(10.4)	
- Imports registered at northern region customs houses	Million US\$	431.0	114.5	311.9	160.9	128.5	123.1	412.5	42.3	42.8	
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	(60.3)	(54.1)	(67.5)	(69.2)	(25.6)	(7.5)	(32.2)	(-1.4)	(17.5)	
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	355.3	94.9	267.0	125.1	104.1	86.4	315.6	28.5	28.9	
Border trade	Million US\$	(96.2)	(128.5)	(110.0)	(54.7)	(14.1)	(-9.0)	(18.2)	(-14.9)	(-6.3)	
Myanmar	Million US\$	52.3	10.1	27.4	27.1	17.0	26.2	70.3	9.9	10.3	
Southern China	Million US\$	(-29.9)	(-66.9)	(-43.9)	(170.7)	(135.0)	(157.9)	(156.5)	(134.1)	(302.2)	
- Trade Balance	Million US\$	1,352.8	343.0	1,022.5	339.8	388.3	384.2	1,112.4	124.6	124.1	
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	(21.3)	(24.4)	(29.6)	(-1.1)	(15.6)	(12.0)	(8.8)	(15.0)	(3.2)	
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	17.2	4.9	13.3	5.1	6.3	6.0	17.4	1.8	2.2	
Border trade	Million US\$	(25.9)	(92.1)	(27.7)	(20.2)	(49.8)	(22.3)	(30.3)	(1.0)	(26.3)	
Myanmar	Million US\$	1,250.7	321.1	957.0	315.0	363.0	362.0	1,040.0	117.3	115.3	
Southern China	Million US\$	(19.8)	(23.5)	(27.8)	(-2.1)	(15.5)	(12.8)	(8.7)	(16.5)	(3.5)	
- Trade Balance	Million US\$	84.8	17.1	52.2	19.8	19.0	16.2	55.0	5.5	6.6	
Myanmar	Million US\$	(48.5)	(29.2)	(76.0)	(12.6)	(8.0)	(-4.8)	(5.4)	(-5.9)	(-7.6)	
Southern China	Million US\$	44.1	9.4	29.6	11.8	10.0	6.3	28.1	2.3	2.2	
- Trade Balance	Million US\$	(89.0)	(71.1)	(111.6)	(10.3)	(5.9)	(-33.2)	(-5.0)	(-30.2)	(-38.0)	
Myanmar	Million US\$	30.5	6.5	15.5	3.8	5.3	7.0	16.1	2.0	3.7	
Southern China	Million US\$	(14.9)	(-0.2)	(47.2)	(6.6)	(-0.7)	(7.4)	(4.4)	(-6.8)	(14.1)	
- Trade Balance	Million US\$	809.5	227.8	606.8	239.0	232.2	255.1	726.3	102.7	85.1	
7. Price Level					(% Change from the same period last year)						
- Headline inflation	Percent	2.8	3.1	2.6	2.9	3.7	5.9	4.1	6.3	6.1	
Food	Percent	4.8	4.5	5.2	3.9	3.2	6.7	4.6	7.5	8.1	
Non-food	Percent	1.7	2.4	1.2	2.4	4.1	5.5	4.0	5.5	5.1	
- Core inflation (exclude raw food and energy)	Percent	0.1	0.2	-0.1	0.7	0.9	1.8	1.1	2.0	1.7	
8. Banking											
- Commercial banks' deposits	Billion baht	297.6	295.4	295.4	302.3	304.8	n.a.	n.a.	305.3	n.a.	
- Commercial banks' credits	Billion baht	(5.1)	(5.2)	(5.2)	(5.5)	(4.5)	-	-	(4.3)	-	
- Credits/Deposits	Percent	214.8	210.5	210.5	225.1	227.3	n.a.	n.a.	235.2	n.a.	
		(7.1)	(8.3)	(8.3)	(10.1)	(10.0)	-	-	(12.6)	-	
		72.2	71.2	71.2	74.4	74.6	n.a.	n.a.	77.1	n.a.	

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