

NORTHERN REGION OF THAILAND



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	Unit	2004	2004		2005					
			Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Sep	Oct	
1. Agriculture										
- Major crop prices										
Major Rice 5%	Baht/Metric ton	5,371 (7.7)	n.a. -	5,875 (18.7)	6,245 (22.0)	n.a. -	n.a. -	n.a. -	n.a. -	
Glutinous	Baht/Metric ton	6,284 (11.0)	6,504 (9.7)	5,782 (-2.4)	6,048 (-3.1)	6,304 (-4.5)	6,393 (-1.7)	6,491 (3.0)	6,414 (12.4)	
Second Rice 14-15%	Baht/Metric ton	5,229 (14.7)	5,386 (14.6)	5,625 (24.8)	n.a. -	n.a. -	n.a. -	6,800 (22.8)	6,800 (20.9)	
Sugarcane	Baht/Metric ton	524 (-5.6)	n.a. -	674 (37.0)	706 (34.8)	706 (34.7)	n.a. -	n.a. -	n.a. -	
Cassava	Baht/Kilogram	0.78 (-11.1)	0.84 (-13.9)	0.98 (17.4)	1.27 (83.1)	1.31 (113.6)	1.33 (57.2)	1.35 (50.0)	1.28 (42.2)	
Maize 14%	Baht/Kilogram	4.62 (6.8)	4.87 (10.5)	4.40 (2.9)	4.98 (18.2)	4.89 (-15.5)	4.98 (2.2)	4.85 (20.4)	4.86 (24.7)	
Soybean	Baht/Kilogram	12.15 (17.1)	10.69 (4.0)	10.63 (-4.4)	11.24 (-17.4)	10.49 (-30.8)	10.40 (-2.8)	9.89 (-7.0)	9.13 (0.9)	
Garlic	Baht/Kilogram	19.18 (-34.8)	n.a. -	n.a. -	22.98 (14.9)	20.62 (10.6)	21.54 -	24.50 -	26.10 -	
Shallot	Baht/Kilogram	10.67 (-38.9)	n.a. -	n.a. -	8.77 (-15.5)	11.67 (7.3)	25.84 -	25.84 -	28.70 -	
Longan	Baht/Kilogram	9.10 (-23.6)	8.39 (-29.6)	13.00 -	n.a. -	n.a. -	7.33 (-12.6)	n.a. -	n.a. -	
Lychee	Baht/Kilogram	12.81 (-17.4)	n.a. -	n.a. -	n.a. -	9.63 (-24.8)	n.a. -	n.a. -	n.a. -	
2. Manufacturing										
- Export value registered at Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	1,589.1 (25.5)	417.2 (31.0)	381.9 (4.5)	385.7 (-1.5)	440.4 (10.5)	444.7 (6.6)	148.9 (10.4)	148.9 (9.4)	
- Sugar production	'000 metric tons	1,872.2 (3.8)	- -	297.0 (16.5)	1,137.5 (-24.6)	1.2 (-98.2)	- -	- -	- -	
- Zinc production	Metric tons	115,096 (1.2)	28,388 (-1.2)	30,158 (-4.1)	24,289 (1.3)	26,762 (-17.8)	26,114 (-8.0)	7,321 (-17.5)	8,283 (-19.1)	
3. Services										
- VAT collected from hotels and restaurants	Million baht	253.9 (18.2)	53.3 (25.6)	60.0 (9.6)	75.3 (-4.4)	66.6 (7.6)	n.a. -	n.a. -	n.a. -	
- Air passenger	'000 persons	3,832.3 (35.7)	933.5 (48.3)	1,146.4 (29.4)	1,076.9 (13.3)	875.2 (9.1)	919.0 (-1.6)	267.2 (-4.2)	339.4 (-5.5)	
- Service business electrical usage	Million kw-h	239.6 (5.8)	62.9 (5.8)	57.1 (0.5)	56.4 (1.8)	67.2 (4.7)	64.9 (3.1)	20.17 (-3.4)	n.a. -	
- Hotel average occupancy rate	Percent	56.6	51.2	65.7	62.1	41.8	48.0	40.5	49.7	
- Hotel average room rate	Baht/room-night	888.0 (11.8)	776.5 (4.7)	961.9 (4.7)	1,042.0 (11.6)	886.0 (0.7)	799.2 (2.9)	779.7 (1.9)	780.1 (5.7)	
4. Private Consumption										
- VAT collected from wholesale/retail trade 2/	Million baht	2,260.5 (16.2)	547.8 (8.7)	596.3 (10.5)	634.3 (9.9)	672.4 (24.7)	724.7 (32.3)	262.7 (43.2)	n.a.	
- Registered motorcycle	Units	313,476 (6.0)	79,455 (3.1)	72,037 (9.6)	83,543 (8.0)	81,480 (-3.7)	77,335 (-2.7)	24,227 (0.1)	22,639 (6.4)	
- Registered car	Units	64,786 (28.1)	15,320 (15.1)	12,970 (33.9)	22,385 (15.4)	19,110 (11.8)	17,316 (13.0)	5,388 (14.8)	5,116 (13.5)	
- Household electrical usage	Million kw-h	3,141.0 (4.4)	826.5 (5.9)	723.8 (-4.7)	709.8 (-4.1)	888.9 (4.5)	807.9 (-2.2)	261.3 (-5.3)	n.a.	
5. Private Investment										
- Construction areas permitted in municipal zone	'000 Square meters	1,311 (-4.4)	363 (-13.6)	311 (-12.4)	357 (15.0)	301 (-8.0)	324 (-10.7)	122 (12.7)	103 (-26.0)	
- Land transaction fees	Million baht	510.6 (15.4)	127.2 (19.4)	138.1 (-16.7)	128.1 (0.8)	126.7 (7.1)	131.6 (3.5)	45.0 (10.5)	48.2 (25.7)	

Notes : The figures in parentheses represent percentage change from the same period last year (% change year-on-year), E/ = estimate, P/ = preliminary, R/ = revise, n.a. = not available

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

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	Unit	2004	2004		2005				
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- BOI's approved project									
Number	Projects	73	23	21	15	10	13	5	2
Investment value	Million baht	(35.2)	(43.8)	(50.0)	(7.1)	(-33.3)	(-43.5)	(-37.5)	(-66.7)
		13,292.7	4,300.4	4,123.0	1,067.6	1,244.1	1,982.1	728.4	1,966.0
		(88.2)	(59.2)	(132.1)	(37.9)	(-69.6)	(-53.9)	(-54.1)	(68.4)
6. Foreign Trade									
- Exports registered at northern region customs houses	Million US\$	2,162.3	570.8	532.9	578.8	620.5	639.3	209.2	216.0
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	(28.8)	(32.0)	(10.8)	(11.7)	(14.8)	(12.0)	(14.1)	(18.0)
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	142.3	39.1	32.0	32.3	51.7	71.5	17.5	17.6
Border trade	Million US\$	(-0.7)	(-1.7)	(-2.2)	(1.8)	(31.0)	(82.9)	(45.8)	(49.2)
Myanmar	Million US\$	1,589.1	417.2	381.9	385.7	440.4	444.7	148.9	148.9
Southern China	Million US\$	(25.5)	(31.0)	(4.5)	(-1.5)	(10.5)	(6.6)	(10.4)	(9.4)
- Imports registered at northern region customs houses	Million US\$	431.0	114.5	119.1	160.9	128.5	123.1	42.8	49.5
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	(60.3)	(54.1)	(44.0)	(69.2)	(25.6)	(7.5)	(17.5)	(40.8)
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	355.3	94.9	88.3	125.1	104.1	86.4	28.9	32.7
Border trade	Million US\$	(96.2)	(128.5)	(63.5)	(54.7)	(14.1)	(-9.0)	(-6.3)	(21.9)
Myanmar	Million US\$	52.3	10.1	24.9	27.1	17.0	26.2	10.3	12.3
Southern China	Million US\$	(-29.9)	(-66.9)	(-3.3)	(170.7)	(135.0)	(157.9)	(302.2)	(77.7)
- Trade Balance	Million US\$	1,352.8	343.0	330.3	339.8	388.3	384.2	124.1	130.0
		(21.3)	(24.4)	(1.2)	(-1.1)	(15.6)	(12.0)	(3.2)	(19.6)
		17.2	4.9	3.9	5.1	6.3	6.0	2.2	1.8
		(25.9)	(92.1)	(20.3)	(20.2)	(49.8)	(22.3)	(26.3)	(73.8)
		1,250.7	321.1	293.8	315.0	363.0	362.0	115.3	121.8
		(19.8)	(23.5)	(-0.7)	(-2.1)	(15.5)	(12.8)	(3.5)	(24.4)
		84.8	17.1	32.6	19.8	19.0	16.2	6.6	6.5
		(48.5)	(29.2)	(18.8)	(12.6)	(8.0)	(-4.8)	(-7.6)	(-33.4)
		44.1	9.4	14.5	11.8	10.0	6.3	2.2	2.2
		(89.0)	(71.1)	(55.3)	(10.3)	(5.9)	(-33.2)	(-38.0)	(-44.2)
		30.5	6.5	15.0	3.8	5.3	7.0	3.7	3.5
		(14.9)	(-0.2)	(-6.2)	(6.6)	(-0.7)	(7.4)	(14.1)	(-32.3)
		809.5	227.8	202.6	239.0	232.2	255.1	85.1	85.9
7. Price Level			(% Change from the same period last year)						
- Headline inflation	Percent	2.8	3.1	3.3	2.9	3.7	5.9	6.1	6.2
Food	Percent	4.8	4.5	3.8	3.9	3.2	6.7	8.1	8.1
Non-food	Percent	1.7	2.4	3.1	2.4	4.1	5.5	5.1	5.2
- Core inflation (exclude raw food and energy)	Percent	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.8	1.7	1.9
8. Banking									
- Commercial banks' deposits	Billion baht	297.6	295.4	297.6	302.3	304.8	308.8	308.8	n.a.
		(5.1)	(5.2)	(5.1)	(5.5)	(4.5)	(4.6)	(4.6)	-
- Commercial banks' credits	Billion baht	214.8	210.5	214.8	225.1	227.3	236.1	236.1	n.a.
		(7.1)	(8.3)	(7.1)	(10.1)	(10.0)	(12.2)	(12.2)	-
- Credits/Deposits	Percent	72.2	71.2	72.2	74.4	74.6	76.4	76.4	n.a.

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