

NORTHERN REGION OF THAILAND



**Table Attached to Press Release on Northern Region Economic Conditions  
in September 2006 and in Nine Month of 2006**

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	Unit	2005	2005		2006					
			H1	H2	Q1	Q2	Q3	Jan - Sep	Aug	Sep
<b>1. Agriculture</b>										
- Major crop prices										
Major Rice 5%	Baht/Metric ton	6,386.0 (21.4)	6,037.5 (28.5)	6,734.5 (15.6)	6,725.0 (11.4)	- (-)	- (-)	6,725.0 (11.4)	- (-)	- (-)
Glutinous	Baht/Metric ton	6,204.6 (-1.3)	6,176.4 (-3.9)	6,232.8 (1.5)	6,296.0 (4.1)	7,611.3 (20.7)	8,825.3 (38.0)	7,577.6 (21.3)	8,872.0 (39.5)	9,264.0 (42.7)
Second Rice 14-15%	Baht/Metric ton	6,501.3 (19.6)	6,437.5 (23.5)	6,565.0 (16.0)	6,706.0 (6.0)	6,475.0 (0.0)	6,451.7 (-0.7)	6,498.0 (0.6)	6,475.0 (0.0)	6,405.0 (-2.0)
Sugarcane	Baht/Metric ton	745.3 (42.1)	745.3 (42.1)	825.4 (16.1)	893.0 (19.8)	893.0 (19.8)	- (-)	893.0 (19.8)	- (-)	- (-)
Cassava	Baht/Kilogram	1.3 (61.8)	1.3 (97.4)	1.2 (36.4)	1.3 (-1.5)	1.1 (-19.5)	1.1 (-20.9)	1.1 (-14.1)	1.1 (-19.5)	1.1 (-22.2)
Maize 14%	Baht/Kilogram	4.9 (6.2)	4.9 (7.1)	4.9 (5.5)	4.7 (-5.5)	5.5 (12.1)	5.5 (10.0)	5.2 (5.5)	5.5 (9.3)	5.2 (7.4)
Soybean	Baht/Kilogram	10.4 (-14.4)	10.8 (-26.3)	10.0 (-6.0)	10.4 (-7.7)	10.0 (-5.1)	10.4 (-0.4)	10.2 (-4.5)	10.4 (-5.0)	- (-)
Garlic	Baht/Kilogram	23.6 (23.0)	21.6 (12.4)	25.3 (-)	24.4 (6.2)	29.2 (41.4)	37.6 (74.4)	30.4 (40.9)	37.0 (77.1)	41.4 (68.9)
Shallot	Baht/Kilogram	17.9 (67.7)	11.9 (11.9)	23.9 (-)	15.9 (81.0)	24.7 (63.7)	29.4 (32.6)	23.3 (52.1)	32.2 (65.9)	32.8 (26.9)
Longan	Baht/Kilogram	7.3 (-19.4)	- (-)	7.3 (-23.2)	- (-)	- (-)	9.5 (28.8)	9.5 (28.8)	8.9 (27.1)	- (-)
Lychee	Baht/Kilogram	9.6 (6.3)	9.6 (6.3)	- (-)	- (-)	9.9 (2.5)	- (-)	9.9 (2.5)	- (-)	- (-)
<b>2. Manufacturing</b>										
- Export value registered at Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	1,712.8 (7.8)	814.3 (3.1)	898.5 (12.4)	460.3 (19.3)	499.1 (16.5)	499.8 (12.4)	1,459.2 (15.9)	165.1 (8.9)	173.6 (16.6)
- Sugar production	'000 metric tons	1,238.0 (-33.9)	1,138.7 (-27.7)	99.4 (-66.5)	1,315.0 (15.6)	6.0 (416.0)	- (-)	1,321.0 (16.0)	- (-)	- (-)
- Zinc production	Metric tons	101,151 (-12.1)	51,051.0 (-9.7)	50,100 (-14.4)	23,248 (-4.3)	25,676 (-4.1)	n.a. (-)	n.a. (-)	7,723 (-12.5)	n.a. (-)
<b>3. Services</b>										
- VAT collected from hotels and restaurants	Million baht	272.5 (7.3)	141.9 (0.9)	130.6 (15.3)	89.3 (18.6)	70.7 (6.1)	57.5 (-7.5)	217.5 (6.6)	21.0 (12.4)	18.1 (-31.0)
- Air passenger	'000 persons	4,018.4 (4.9)	1,952.1 (11.4)	2,066.3 (-0.7)	1,111.5 (3.2)	907.6 (3.7)	926.1 (0.8)	2,945.2 (2.6)	333.2 (0.9)	268.0 (0.3)
- Service business electrical usage	Million kw-h	250.3 (4.5)	123.6 (3.4)	126.7 (5.6)	62.5 (10.9)	69.4 (3.3)	46.7 (-28.0)	178.6 (-5.2)	23.3 (5.6)	- (-)
- Hotel average occupancy rate	Percent	53.7 (3.5)	52.5 (4.5)	54.9 (2.6)	64.4 (2.5)	41.5 (1.2)	45.0 (1.4)	50.3 (1.7)	49.6 (2.4)	40.6 (1.6)
- Hotel average room rate	Baht/room-night	919.5 (3.5)	947.1 (4.5)	891.8 (2.6)	1,016.3 (2.5)	913.1 (1.2)	814.6 (1.4)	914.7 (1.7)	830.7 (2.4)	800.1 (1.6)
<b>4. Private Consumption</b>										
- VAT	Million baht	6,464.3 (29.5)	3,207.5	3,256.8	1,959.6 (24.7)	1,967.0 (20.2)	1,814.0 (16.0)	5,740.5 (20.3)	664.4 (20.7)	522.2 (-2.9)
- Registered motorcycle	Units	315,505 (0.6)	165,023 (1.9)	150,482 (-0.7)	80,204 (-4.0)	85,932 (5.5)	73,592 (-6.4)	239,728 (-1.3)	26,845 (-2.2)	21,776 (-10.1)
- Registered car	Units	72,791 (12.4)	41,495 (13.7)	31,296 (10.6)	22,942 (2.5)	18,979 (-0.7)	15,228 (-12.4)	57,149 (-2.9)	5,268 (-14.4)	4,755 (-11.7)
- Household electrical usage	Million kw-h	3,176 (1.1)	1,598.7 (0.5)	1,577.4 (1.8)	748.4 (5.4)	885.1 (-0.4)	n.a. (-)	n.a. (-)	283.1 (5.8)	n.a. (-)
<b>5. Private Investment</b>										
- Construction areas permitted in municipal zone	'000 Square meters	1,349 (2.9)	657 (3.2)	691 (2.6)	277 (-22.5)	256 (-15.0)	324 (-0.02)	856 (-12.8)	103 (-7.7)	111 (-9.7)
- Land transaction fees	Million baht	519 (1.6)	255 (3.9)	264 (-0.6)	112 (-12.7)	111 (-12.1)	131 (-0.7)	355 (-8.6)	47 (7.6)	40 (-10.9)

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- BOI's approved project											
Number	Projects	56	25	31	17	14	13	44	7	4 P	
Investment value	Million baht	(-23.3)			(13.3)	(40.0)	(0.0)	(15.8)	(16.7)	(-20.0)	
		9,802.3	2,311.7	7,490.6	1,671.5	1,815.5	1,272.8	4,759.8	701.9	323.0 P	
		(-26.3)			(56.6)	(45.9)	(-35.8)	(10.9)	(54.7)	(-55.7)	
<b>6. Foreign Trade</b>											
- Exports registered at northern region	Million US\$	2,470.0	1,187.6	1,282.4	663.7	669.8	656.9	1,990.4	221.0	227.7	
customs houses		(14.2)	(12.2)	(16.2)	(14.7)	(10.0)	(2.7)	(8.9)	(-2.8)	(8.9)	
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	195.1	84.0	111.1	49.6	50.2	33.2	133.0	13.0	9.4	
		(37.2)	(18.0)	(56.3)	(53.4)	(-2.9)	(-53.5)	(-14.5)	(-61.1)	(-46.4)	
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	1,712.8	814.3	898.5	460.3	499.1	499.8	1,459.2	165.1	173.6	
		(7.8)	(3.1)	(12.4)	(19.3)	(16.5)	(12.4)	(15.9)	(8.9)	(16.6)	
Border trade	Million US\$	562.1	289.3	272.8	153.9	120.5	123.9	398.2	42.9	44.8	
		(30.4)	(46.6)	(16.8)	(-4.4)	(-6.2)	(0.6)	(-3.4)	(1.5)	(4.6)	
Myanmar	Million US\$	419.7	229.3	190.4	120.2	92.1	85.5	297.8	28.1	31.4	
		(18.1)	(33.2)	(3.9)	(-4.0)	(-11.5)	(-1.0)	(-5.6)	(-1.3)	(8.4)	
Southern China	Million US\$	101.8	44.1	57.6	24.5	18.5	29.5	72.5	12.2	9.2	
		(94.6)	(155.7)	(64.5)	(-9.7)	(8.6)	(12.9)	(3.1)	(23.9)	(-10.6)	
- Imports registered at northern region	Million US\$	1,534.7	728.1	806.6	415.4	427.3	439.8	1,282.5	144.9	154.7	
customs houses		(13.4)	(7.2)	(19.8)	(22.2)	(10.0)	(14.5)	(15.3)	(16.4)	(24.7)	
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	25.8	11.4	14.5	18.2	17.8	14.4	50.4	1.9	10.0	
		(49.7)	(35.0)	(63.8)	(258.0)	(182.8)	(140.1)	(190.0)	(7.3)	(347.3)	
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	1,431.3	678.0	753.3	375.1	383.8	402.2	1,161.0	136.1	135.5	
		(14.4)	(6.6)	(22.5)	(19.1)	(5.7)	(11.1)	(11.6)	(16.1)	(17.5)	
Border trade	Million US\$	77.6	38.7	38.8	22.2	25.7	23.2	71.1	6.9	9.2	
		(-8.5)	(10.3)	(-21.8)	(12.3)	(35.5)	(42.7)	(29.3)	(25.2)	(40.4)	
Myanmar	Million US\$	35.6	21.8	13.8	12.1	15.7	12.2	40.0	4.0	4.0	
		(-19.3)	(8.2)	(-42.6)	(2.7)	(56.6)	(93.2)	(42.2)	(72.1)	(81.9)	
Southern China	Million US\$	27.2	9.2	18.0	4.1	4.9	8.0	17.0	2.1	4.3	
		(-10.8)	(2.2)	(-16.3)	(7.1)	(-8.6)	(15.3)	(5.4)	(5.0)	(15.5)	
- Trade Balance	Million US\$	935.3	459.5	475.8	248.3	242.5	217.1	707.9	76.0	73.1	
<b>7. Price Level</b>											
- Headline inflation	Percent	4.6	3.3	5.9	5.9	6.1	3.6	5.2	3.7	2.5	
Food	Percent	5.4	3.6	7.3	5.9	6.8	4.2	5.6	3.6	3.8	
Non-food	Percent	4.2	3.3	5.2	5.9	5.6	3.2	4.9	3.8	1.7	
- Core inflation (exclude raw food and energy)	Percent	1.3	0.8	1.9	2.3	2.5	2.4	2.2	1.7	1.5	
<b>8. Banking</b>											
- Commercial banks' deposits	Billion baht	312.5	304.8	312.5	320.9	327.5	n.a.	n.a.	330.1	n.a.	
		(5.0)	(4.5)	(5.0)	(6.1)	(7.5)	-	-	(8.1)	-	
- Commercial banks' credits	Billion baht	250.2	227.3	250.2	255.4	258.6	n.a.	n.a.	261.6	n.a.	
		(16.5)	(10.0)	(16.5)	(13.5)	(13.8)	-	-	(11.2)	-	
- Credits/Deposits	Percent	80.1	74.6	80.1	79.6	79.0	n.a.	n.a.	79.3	n.a.	

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