

NORTHERN REGION OF THAILAND



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in December 2006 and in the Year 2006**

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	Unit	2005	2006	2005		2006			Nov	Dec
				H1	H2	H1	Q3	Q4		
1. Agriculture										
- Major crop prices										
Major Rice 5%	Baht/Metric ton	6,323.0 (20.8)	6,413.2 (1.4)	6,250.6 (23.2)	6,467.7 (10.1)	6,512.3 (4.2)	- (-2.4)	6,314.1	6,115.1	6,094.0 (-5.8)
Glutinous	Baht/Metric ton	6,204.6 (-1.3)	8,024.8 (29.3)	6,176.4 (-3.9)	6,232.8 (1.5)	6,953.7 (12.6)	8,825.3 (38.0)	9,366.7 (54.3)	9,475.0 (60.1)	9,525.0 (61.8)
Second Rice 14-15%	Baht/Metric ton	6,469.8 (23.2)	6,484.0 (0.2)	6,354.0 (25.6)	6,585.5 (20.9)	6,126.8 (-3.6)	6,756.5 (3.7)	6,023.5 (-11.4)	-	-
Sugarcane	Baht/Metric ton	745.3 (42.1)	944.4 (26.7)	745.3 (42.1)	872.7 (22.8)	944.4 (26.7)	-	855.2 (-2.0)	-	855.2 (-2.0)
Cassava	Baht/Kilogram	1.3 (61.8)	1.1 (-15.3)	1.3 (97.4)	1.2 (36.4)	1.2 (-10.7)	1.1 (-20.9)	0.9 (-19.2)	0.9 (-20.4)	0.9 (-19.5)
Maize 14%	Baht/Kilogram	4.9 (6.2)	5.3 (8.7)	4.9 (7.1)	4.9 (5.5)	5.1 (3.2)	5.5 (10.0)	5.7 (18.5)	5.5 (14.2)	6.1 (28.6)
Soybean	Baht/Kilogram	10.4 (-14.4)	10.2 (-1.5)	10.8 (-26.3)	10.0 (-6.0)	10.1 (-6.4)	10.4 (-0.4)	10.4 (6.0)	10.4 (3.9)	10.4 (1.6)
Garlic	Baht/Kilogram	23.6 (23.0)	36.2 (53.2)	21.6 (12.4)	25.3 (-)	26.8 (24.2)	37.6 (74.4)	53.5 (84.3)	58.3 (77.0)	57.2 (104.2)
Shallot	Baht/Kilogram	17.9 (67.7)	24.6 (37.2)	11.9 (11.9)	23.9 (-)	20.3 (70.1)	29.4 (32.6)	28.3 (10.4)	30.5 (-3.4)	26.8 (62.0)
Longan	Baht/Kilogram	7.3 (-19.4)	9.5 (28.8)	-	7.3 (-23.2)	-	9.5 (28.8)	-	-	-
Lychee	Baht/Kilogram	9.6 (6.3)	9.9 (2.5)	9.6 (6.3)	-	9.9 (2.5)	-	-	-	-
2. Manufacturing										
- Value of export goods passed through Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	1,712.8 (7.8)	1,951.9 (14.0)	814.3 (3.1)	898.5 (12.4)	959.4 (17.8)	499.8 (12.4)	492.7 (8.6)	174.6 (15.3)	154.9 (0.9)
- Sugar production	'000 metric tons	1,238.0 (-33.9)	1,593.1 (28.7)	1,138.7 (-27.7)	99.4 (-66.5)	1,321.0 (16.0)	0.0 (0.0)	272.2 (173.9)	0.0 (0.0)	272.2 (173.9)
- Zinc production	Metric tons	101,151 (-12.1)	97,131 (-4.0)	51,051.0 (-9.7)	50,100 (-14.4)	48,924 (-4.2)	24,217 (-7.3)	23,990 (0.0)	7,701 (0.0)	8,002 (0.0)
3. Services										
- VAT collected from hotels and restaurants	Million baht	272.5 (7.3)	304.1 (11.6)	141.9 (0.9)	130.6 (15.3)	160.0 (12.7)	61.7 (-0.8)	82.5 (20.5)	27.1 (27.3)	34.0 (19.7)
- Air passenger	'000 persons	4,018.4 (4.9)	4,217.0 (4.9)	1,952.1 (11.4)	2,066.3 (-0.7)	2,019.2 (3.4)	926.1 (0.8)	1,271.8 (10.9)	435.3 (15.0)	500.4 (16.5)
- Service business electrical usage	Million kw-h	250.3 (4.5)	n.a. (-)	123.6 (3.4)	126.7 (5.6)	131.9 (6.8)	68.4 (5.5)	n.a. (-)	22.7 (7.6)	n.a. (-)
- Hotel average occupancy rate	Percent	53.7	55.7	52.5	54.9	52.9	45.2	71.8	78.3	87.6
- Hotel average room rate	Baht/room-night	919.5 (3.5)	942.8 (2.5)	947.1 (4.5)	891.8 (2.6)	964.7 (1.9)	814.6 (1.4)	1,027.3 (4.8)	1,121.2 (5.9)	1,164.6 (4.4)
4. Private Consumption										
- VAT collected from all types of businesses	Million Baht	6,464.4 (29.5)	7,847.1 (21.4)	3,256.9 (26.0)	3,926.6 (22.4)	3,820.5 (17.3)	1,902.3 (21.6)	1,915.7 (13.2)	687.4 (19.3)	690.0 P/ (22.9)
- Registered motorcycle	Units	315,505 (0.6)	300,426 (-4.8)	165,023 (1.9)	150,482 (-0.7)	166,136 (0.7)	15,228 (-12.4)	14,762 (6.1)	21,742 (-15.9)	19,344 P/ (-20.0)
- Registered cars	Units	72,791 (12.4)	68,213 (-6.3)	41,495 (13.7)	31,296 (10.6)	41,921 (1.0)	73,610 (-5.4)	68,354 (-6.0)	4,088 (-21.9)	2,237 P/ (-37.2)
- Household electrical usage	Million kw-h	3,176.1 (1.1)	n.a. (-)	1,598.7 (0.5)	1,577.4 (1.8)	1,633.5 (2.2)	846.2 (4.7)	n.a. (-)	267.7 (-35.1)	n.a. (-)
5. Private Investment										
- Construction areas permitted in municipal zone	'000 Square meters	1,346.6 (2.9)	1,122.4 (-16.8)	657.5 (3.2)	691.1 (2.6)	532.3 (-19.0)	322.5 (-0.4)	590.1 (-14.6)	86.7 (-35.7)	97.0 P/ (-24.3)
- Land transaction fees	Million Baht	518.7 (1.6)	480.4 (-7.4)	254.9 (3.9)	263.8 (-0.6)	223.8 (-12.2)	130.9 (-0.5)	256.6 (-2.7)	42.2 (0.0)	41.7 P/ (-3.1)

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	Unit	2005	2006	2005		2006					
				H1	H2	H1	Q3	Q4	Nov	Dec	
- BOI's approved project											
Number	Projects	56	56	25	31	31	13	12	4	2	
Investment value	Million Baht	(-23.3)	(0.0)	(-13.8)	(-29.5)	(24.0)	(0.0)	(-33.3)	(-60.0)	(0.0)	
		9,802.3	3,943.1	2,311.7	7,490.6	3,421.4	1,272.8	1,248.9	199.1	700.8	
		(-26.3)	(-39.4)	(-52.5)	(-11.1)	(48.0)	(-35.8)	(-77.3)	(-94.0)	(413.4)	
6. Foreign Trade											
- Exports passed through customs houses in northern region	Million US\$	2,470.0	2,648.6	1,187.6	1,282.4	1,333.5	656.9	658.2	228.5	210.6	
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	(14.2)	(7.2)	(12.2)	(16.2)	(12.3)	(2.7)	(2.4)	(8.9)	(-3.0)	
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	195.1	161.0	84.0	111.1	99.8	33.2	28.0	8.6	8.8	
Border trade	Million US\$	(37.2)	(-17.5)	(18.0)	(56.3)	(18.8)	(-53.5)	(-29.3)	(-24.3)	(-18.4)	
Myanmar	Million US\$	1,712.8	1,951.9	814.3	898.5	959.4	499.8	492.7	174.6	154.9	
Southern China	Million US\$	(7.8)	(14.0)	(3.1)	(12.4)	(17.8)	(12.4)	(8.6)	(15.3)	(0.9)	
Imports passed through customs houses in northern region	Million US\$	562.1	535.7	289.3	272.8	274.4	123.9	137.5	45.3	47.0	
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	(30.4)	(-4.7)	(46.6)	(16.8)	(-5.2)	(0.6)	(-8.1)	(-3.8)	(-11.4)	
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	419.7	389.6	229.3	190.4	212.3	85.5	91.8	30.8	30.3	
Border trade	Million US\$	(18.1)	(-7.2)	(33.2)	(3.9)	(-7.4)	(-1.0)	(-11.7)	(-8.3)	(-19.7)	
Myanmar	Million US\$	101.8	108.2	44.1	57.6	43.0	29.5	35.7	11.5	13.0	
Southern China	Million US\$	(94.6)	(6.3)	(155.7)	(64.5)	(-2.7)	(12.9)	(13.5)	(30.6)	(26.4)	
- Trade Balance	Million US\$	1,534.7	1,715.9	728.1	806.6	842.7	439.8	433.5	137.5	146.4	
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	(13.4)	(11.8)	(7.2)	(19.8)	(15.7)	(14.5)	(2.6)	(-8.9)	(3.5)	
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	25.8	70.1	11.4	14.5	35.9	14.4	19.8	5.0	7.2	
Border trade	Million US\$	(49.7)	(171.6)	(35.0)	(63.8)	(216.4)	(140.1)	(133.9)	(19.1)	(188.9)	
Myanmar	Million US\$	1,431.3	1,543.6	678.0	753.3	758.9	402.2	382.6	121.4	128.6	
Southern China	Million US\$	(14.4)	(7.8)	(6.6)	(22.5)	(11.9)	(11.1)	(-2.2)	(-12.2)	(-2.1)	
- Trade Balance	Million US\$	77.6	102.2	38.7	38.8	47.9	23.2	31.2	11.1	10.6	
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	(-8.5)	(31.8)	(10.3)	(-21.8)	(23.7)	(42.7)	(37.9)	(31.1)	(39.2)	
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	35.6	53.1	21.8	13.8	27.8	12.2	13.1	4.9	4.7	
Border trade	Million US\$	(-19.3)	(49.1)	(8.2)	(-42.6)	(27.5)	(93.2)	(75.2)	(72.3)	(94.8)	
Myanmar	Million US\$	27.2	28.6	9.2	18.0	9.0	8.0	11.6	4.0	3.3	
Southern China	Million US\$	(-10.8)	(5.3)	(2.2)	(-16.3)	(-2.0)	(15.3)	(5.0)	(4.4)	(-11.4)	
- Trade Balance	Million US\$	935.3	932.7	459.5	475.8	490.8	217.1	224.7	91.0	64.2	
7. Price Level				<i>(% change from the same period last year)</i>							
- Headline inflation	Percent	4.6	4.7	3.3	5.9	6.0	3.6	3.4	3.8	3.7	
Food	Percent	5.4	6.0	3.6	7.3	6.4	4.2	7.2	7.8	7.3	
Non-food	Percent	4.2	3.9	3.3	5.2	5.8	3.2	1.1	1.3	1.5	
- Core inflation (exclude raw food and energy)	Percent	1.3	1.9	0.8	1.9	2.4	1.7	1.1	1.2	0.8	
8. Banking											
- Commercial banks' deposits	Billion Baht	312.5	n.a.	304.8	312.5	327.5	334.0	n.a.	335.6	n.a.	
- Commercial banks' credits	Billion Baht	(5.0)	-	(4.5)	(5.0)	(7.5)	(8.1)	-	(9.9)	-	
- Credits/Deposits	Percent	250.2	n.a.	227.3	250.2	258.6	264.5	n.a.	271.4	n.a.	
		(16.5)	-	(10.0)	(16.5)	(13.8)	(12.0)	-	(9.6)	-	
		80.1	n.a.	74.6	80.1	79.0	79.2	n.a.	80.9	n.a.	

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