

NORTHERN REGION OF THAILAND



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	Unit	2006	2006		2007					
			H1	H2	Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug	
1. Agriculture										
- Major crop prices										
Major Rice 5%	Baht/Metric ton	6,413.2 (1.4)	6,512.3 (4.2)	6,314.1 (-2.4)	6,227.0 (-1.4)	6,074.4 (-12.0)	6,150.7 (-5.6)	6,220.0 -	6,162.0 -	
Glutinous	Baht/Metric ton	8,024.8 (29.3)	6,953.7 (12.6)	9,096.0 (45.9)	10,610.0 (68.5)	11,445.0 (50.4)	11,027.5 (58.6)	12,400.0 (48.7)	12,600.0 (42.0)	
Second Rice 14-15%	Baht/Metric ton	6,524.9 (0.9)	6,446.5 (1.5)	6,629.3 (0.7)	6,210.0 (-2.7)	6,107.3 (-5.6)	6,133.0 (-4.9)	6,217.0 (-2.6)	6,229.0 (-6.2)	
Sugarcane	Baht/Metric ton	893.0 (19.8)	893.0 (19.8)	855.2 (3.6)	913.6 (2.3)	912.4 (2.2)	912.4 (2.2)	- -	- -	
Cassava	Baht/Kilogram	1.1 (-15.3)	1.2 (-10.7)	1.0 (-20.1)	1.0 (-17.3)	1.1 (8.2)	1.1 (-5.6)	1.3 (21.4)	1.2 (15.9)	
Maize 14%	Baht/Kilogram	5.3 (8.7)	5.1 (3.2)	5.6 (14.2)	6.9 (46.1)	6.8 (24.6)	6.9 (34.5)	6.8 (18.5)	6.5 (17.6)	
Soybean	Baht/Kilogram	10.2 (-1.5)	10.1 (-6.4)	10.4 (3.4)	10.9 (4.6)	10.1 (1.1)	10.3 (1.6)	- -	12.0 (15.9)	
Garlic	Baht/Kilogram	36.7 (55.7)	27.9 (29.6)	45.5 (80.1)	39.4 (47.3)	35.1 (20.5)	38.3 (37.1)	- -	- -	
Shallot	Baht/Kilogram	24.9 (38.9)	20.9 (75.2)	28.8 (20.7)	10.9 (-36.4)	5.4 (-78.1)	9.5 (-54.6)	- -	- -	
Longan	Baht/Kilogram	9.5 (28.8)	- -	9.5 (28.8)	- -	- -	- -	10.0 (0.0)	7.7 (-13.8)	
Lychee	Baht/Kilogram	9.9 (2.5)	9.9 (2.5)	- -	- -	10.4 (5.0)	10.4 (5.0)	- -	- -	
2. Manufacturing										
- Value of export goods passed through Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	1,951.9 (14.0)	959.4 (17.8)	992.5 (10.5)	479.7 (4.2)	456.7 (-8.5)	936.4 (-2.4)	151.0 (-6.3)	151.8 1/ (-8.1)	
- Sugar production	'000 metric tons	1,593.1 (28.7)	1,321.0 (16.0)	272.2 (173.9)	1,645.7 (25.2)	163.1 (2,625.8)	1,808.8 (36.9)	- -	- -	
- Zinc production	Metric tons	97,131 (-4.0)	48,924 (-4.2)	48,207 (-3.8)	20,932 (-10.0)	26,468 (3.1)	47,400 (-3.1)	8,173 (-11.6)	8,869 (14.8)	
3. Services										
- VAT collected from hotels and restaurants	Million baht	304.6 (11.8)	160.0 (12.7)	144.6 (10.7)	119.2 (33.5)	84.7 (19.9)	203.9 (27.5)	21.4 (16.2)	25.2 (20.3)	
- Air passenger	'000 persons	4,217.0 (4.9)	2,019.2 (3.4)	2,197.9 (6.4)	1,132.3 (1.9)	896.0 (-1.3)	2,028.3 (0.5)	355.9 (9.6)	368.9 (10.7)	
- Service business electrical usage	Million kw-h	268.0 (7.1)	131.9 (6.8)	136.0 (7.4)	62.7 (0.3)	73.4 (5.8)	136.1 (3.2)	25.6 (9.3)	n.a. -	
- Hotel average occupancy rate	Percent	54.9	52.9	56.9	66.4	39.1	52.8	44.2	53.0	
- Hotel average room rate	Baht/room-night	948.6 (3.2)	966.1 (2.0)	931.1 (4.4)	1,050.5 (3.4)	919.0 (0.3)	984.7 (1.9)	858.1 (4.9)	863.6 (2.3)	
4. Private Consumption										
- VAT collected from all types of businesses	Million Baht	7,857.7 (21.9)	3,926.6 (22.4)	3,931.1 (20.7)	2,138.7 (9.1)	2,088.5 (6.2)	4,277.2 (7.7)	657.5 (4.8)	681.4 P/ (2.5)	
- Registered motorcycle	Units	300,202 (-4.9)	166,136 (0.7)	134,066 (-10.9)	64,015.0 (-20.2)	67,112 (-21.9)	131,127 (-21.1)	21,031 (-15.7)	19,541 P/ (-27.2)	
- Registered cars	Units	68,023 (-6.6)	41,921 (1.0)	26,102 (-16.6)	21,380.0 (-6.8)	16,996 (-10.4)	38,376 (-8.5)	5,362 (3.0)	5,521 P/ (4.8)	
- Household electrical usage	Million kw-h	3,298.2 (3.8)	1,633.5 (2.2)	1,664.7 (5.5)	750.1 (0.2)	922.1 (4.2)	1,672.2 (2.4)	n.a. -	n.a. -	
5. Private Investment										
- Construction areas permitted in municipal zone	'000 Square meters	1,146.0 (-15.0)	533.5 (-18.9)	612.5 (-11.4)	256.8 (-7.2)	313.1 (21.9)	570.0 (6.8)	69.3 (-37.2)	79.2 P/ (-23.0)	
- Land transaction fees	Million Baht	483.6 (-6.8)	223.8 (-12.2)	259.8 (-1.5)	106.9 (-4.9)	110.6 (-0.7)	217.5 (-2.8)	45.3 (2.6)	38.9 P/ (-18.8)	

Notes : The figures in parentheses represent percentage change from the same period last year (% change year-on-year)

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1/ = 2007 data included an estimated export value that migrated to paperless customs clearance.

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	Unit	2006	2006		2007				
			H1	H2	Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug
- BOI's approved project									
Number	Projects	56	31	25	25	13	38	4	3
Investment value	Million Baht	(0.0)	(24.0)	(-19.4)	(38.9)	(0.0)	(22.6)	(100.0)	(-57.1)
		5,943.1	3,421.4	2,521.7	3,779.5	1,761.0	5,540.5	232.5	82.4
		(-39.4)	(48.0)	(-66.3)	(124.8)	(1.2)	(61.9)	(-6.3)	(-88.3)
6. Foreign Trade									
- Exports passed through customs houses in northern region	Million US\$	2,648.6	1,333.5	1,315.1	645.3	590.0	1,235.3	177.0	218.4
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	(7.2)	(12.3)	(2.5)	(-2.8)	(-11.9)	(-7.4)	(-15.0)	(-1.1)
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	161.0	99.8	61.2	36.0	45.8	81.8	10.2	8.2
Border trade	Million US\$	(-17.5)	(18.8)	(-44.9)	(-27.3)	(-8.8)	(-18.0)	(-6.5)	(-36.9)
Myanmar	Million US\$	1,951.9	959.4	992.5	461.5	395.3	856.8	114.4	151.2
Southern China	Million US\$	(14.0)	(17.8)	(10.5)	(0.3)	(-20.8)	(-10.7)	(-29.0)	(-8.4)
Laos	Million US\$	535.7	274.4	261.4	147.8	148.9	296.7	52.5	59.0
Imports passed through customs houses in northern region	Million US\$	(-4.7)	(-5.2)	(-4.2)	(-4.0)	(23.6)	(8.1)	(44.9)	(37.5)
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	389.6	212.3	177.3	115.1	114.1	229.2	36.8	34.0
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	(-7.2)	(-7.4)	(-6.9)	(-4.2)	(23.9)	(8.0)	(41.4)	(20.9)
Border trade	Million US\$	108.2	43.0	65.2	22.8	27.2	50.0	13.6	20.0
Myanmar	Million US\$	(6.3)	(-2.7)	(13.2)	(-6.9)	(47.4)	(16.4)	(67.4)	(63.8)
Southern China	Million US\$	37.9	19.1	(18.8)	9.8	7.6	17.5	2.1	5.0
Laos	Million US\$	(-6.9)	(19.9)	(-24.2)	(7.3)	(-23.2)	(-8.6)	(2.0)	(92.1)
Trade Balance	Million US\$	1,715.9	842.7	873.2	386.3	354.6	740.9	122.5	137.1
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	(11.8)	(15.7)	(8.3)	(-7.0)	(-17.0)	(-12.1)	(-12.6)	(-5.4)
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	70.1	35.9	34.2	17.8	17.3	35.1	7.8	4.2
Border trade	Million US\$	(171.6)	(216.4)	(136.5)	(-2.3)	(-2.7)	(-2.5)	(206.6)	(118.6)
Myanmar	Million US\$	1,543.6	758.9	784.7	343.0	312.6	655.6	106.3	126.3
Southern China	Million US\$	(7.8)	(11.9)	(4.2)	(-8.5)	(-18.6)	(-13.6)	(-18.6)	(-7.2)
Laos	Million US\$	102.2	47.9	54.3	25.6	24.8	50.3	8.5	6.6
Trade Balance	Million US\$	(31.8)	(23.7)	(39.9)	(15.2)	(-3.7)	(5.0)	(20.4)	(-4.2)
Chiang Mai Airport Customs Houses	Million US\$	53.1	27.8	25.3	14.9	12.4	27.3	5.0	2.9
Lamphun Customs House	Million US\$	(49.1)	(27.5)	(83.4)	(23.1)	(-21.1)	(-1.9)	(20.8)	(-27.0)
Border trade	Million US\$	28.6	9.0	19.6	4.3	6.5	10.8	2.2	1.8
Myanmar	Million US\$	(5.3)	(-2.0)	9.0	(4.5)	(32.7)	(19.8)	(31.5)	(-15.1)
Southern China	Million US\$	20.5	11.1	(9.4)	6.4	5.9	12.2	1.2	1.9
Laos	Million US\$	(38.9)	(43.3)	(34.1)	(6.5)	(14.9)	(10.4)	(3.6)	(133.6)
Trade Balance	Million US\$	932.7	490.8	441.8	259.0	235.4	494.4	54.5	81.3
7. Price Level			<i>(Percentage change from the same period last year)</i>						
- Headline inflation	Percent	4.7	6.0	3.5	2.2	1.8	2.0	2.2	1.6
Food	Percent	6.0	6.4	5.7	5.4	4.1	4.7	6.6	6.0
Non-food	Percent	3.9	5.8	2.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	-0.4	-0.9
- Core inflation (exclude raw food and energy)	Percent	1.9	2.4	1.4	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.3
8. Banking									
- Commercial banks' deposits	Billion Baht	328.7	327.5	328.7	339.9	346.4	346.4	343.6	n.a.
- Commercial banks' credits	Billion Baht	(5.2)	(7.5)	(5.2)	(6.0)	(5.8)	(5.8)	(4.7)	-
- Credits/Deposits	Percent	274.5	258.6	274.5	277.2	280.1	280.1	277.2	n.a.
		(9.7)	(13.8)	(9.7)	(8.5)	(8.3)	(8.3)	(6.9)	-
		83.5	79.0	83.5	81.5	80.9	80.9	80.7	n.a.

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