

Banking Sector Quarterly Brief (Q2 2024)

The Thai banking system remains resilient with robust levels of capital, loan loss provisions, and liquidity. In the second quarter of 2024, loan growth of the banking system (licensed banks and their subsidiaries) slowed down to 0.3% year-on-year. The overall business loans remained relatively unchanged, while SMEs loans continued to contract, and consumer loans expanded at a slower pace due to rising credit risk. The banking system's gross non-performing loans (NPL or stage 3) in the second quarter of 2024 slightly increased to 540.8 billion Baht, equivalent to the NPL ratio of 2.84%, primarily from consumer loans. Meanwhile, commercial banks continued to manage their loan portfolios and provide assistance to debtors. In addition, the ratio of loans with a significant increase in credit risk (SICR or stage 2) stood at 6.50%, increased from the previous quarter from large corporate loans (mainly from debtors who can still meet their contractual debt obligations but are qualitatively classified) and consumer loans. The banking system's profitability in the second quarter of 2024 improved from the previous quarter, mainly driven by seasonal dividend income, despite higher provisioning expenses.

However, there remains a need to monitor the debt serviceability of small SMEs and certain businesses whose performances affected by structural issues and declining competitiveness as well as vulnerable households with slow income recovery. These could cause a gradual increase in NPL, nonetheless well-manageable with no immediate risk of an NPL cliff. The household debt to GDP ratio in the first quarter of 2024 slightly decreased from the previous quarter due to a slowdown in credit expansion following household debt deleveraging. Meanwhile the corporate debt to GDP ratio slightly increased due to a marginal increase in new debt creation. The overall corporate profitability continued to improve, led by an improvement in manufacturing and tourism-related sectors.

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Capital, loan loss provisions, and liquidity remained robust.

Bank loan grew at a slower pace. The overall business loans remained relatively unchanged, while SMEs loans continued to contract and consumer loans expanded at a slower pace due to rising credit risk.

Overall loan quality deteriorated. The stage 3 (NPL) outstanding primarily increased from consumer loans in mortgage loan portfolio. SM outstanding increased from large corporate loans, mainly due to qualitative criteria in asset classification, even though businesses can still meet their contractual debt obligations, and consumer loans.

Profitability improved from the previous quarter mainly driven by seasonal dividend income, despite higher provisioning expenses.

Household debt to GDP ratio slightly decreased from the previous quarter due to a slowdown in credit expansion following household debt deleveraging. It is crucial to closely monitor the deterioration in household debt serviceability.

Corporate

Household

Commercial

Banking system

Corporate debt to GDP ratio slightly increased due to an increase in new debt creation, aligning with the economic growth. **The overall corporate profitability improved,** particularly in manufacturing and tourism-related sectors. Nevertheless, there remains a need to monitor certain businesses whose performances affected by structural issues and declining competitiveness.

Relief measures

Financial institutions have continued to support their debtors through responsible lending measures.

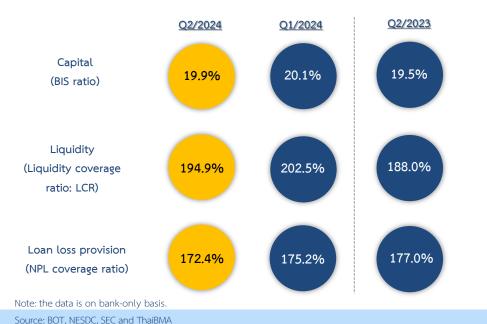


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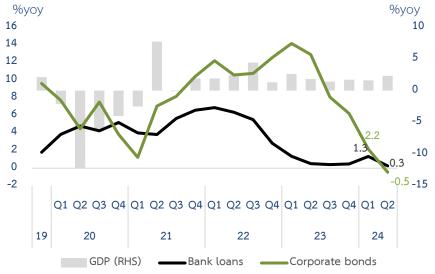
Capital, loan loss provision, and liquidity indicators

Banks' capital, loan loss provisions, and liquidity remained at high levels.



Bank loan and corporate bond growth

Overall bank loan growth slowed down, while fund-raising through bond market slightly contracted this guarter. Bond financing contracted in almost all sectors (except utilities, manufacturing and real estate), driven by high-yield segment which carries higher risk.



Note: (1) Bank loans are on full consolidation basis.

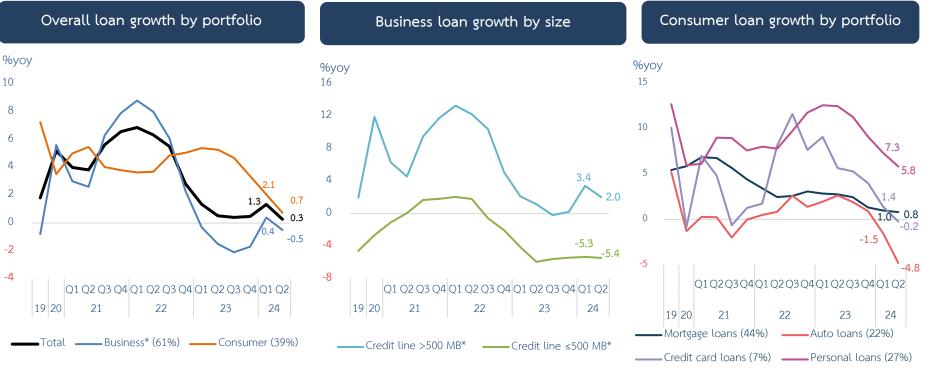
(2) Corporate bonds are excluded banking, financial and securities

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Loan growth of the banking system (licensed banks and their subsidiaries) grew at a slower pace. The overall business loans remained relatively

unchanged, while SMEs loans continued to contract, and consumer loans expanded at a slower pace due to rising credit risk.



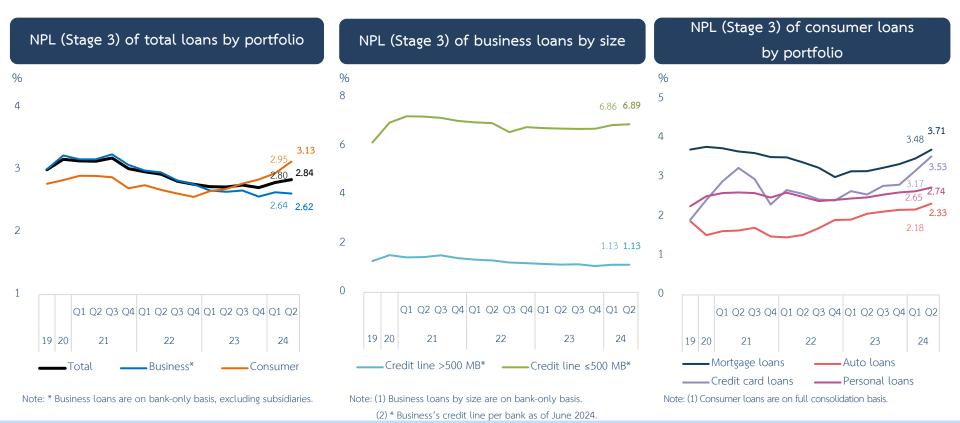
Note: (1) Numbers in the parentheses show the proportion of total loans (2) * Business loans are on bank-only basis, excluding subsidiaries.

Note: (1) Business loans by size are on bank-only basis. (2) * Business's credit line per bank as of June 2024.

Note: (1) Consumer loans are on full consolidation basis. (2) Numbers in the parentheses show the proportion of total retail loans.



Overall NPL increased, primarily from consumer loans, while NPL of business loans remained stable.



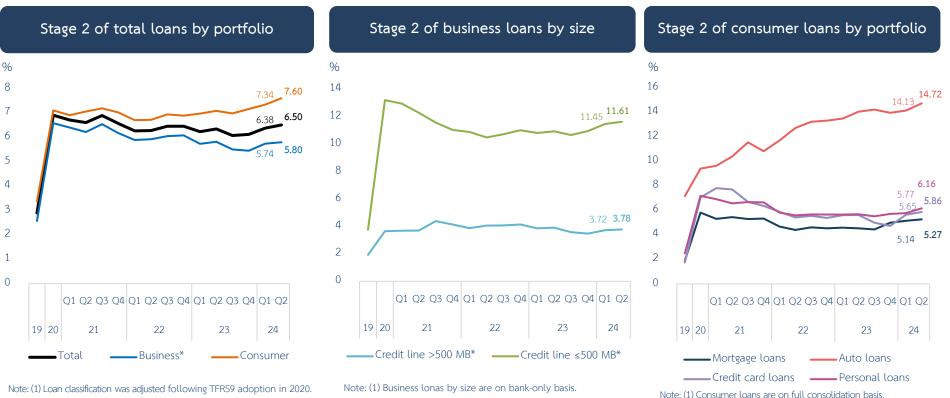
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Stage 2 loans increased mainly in large corporate loans, where most debtors can still meet their

contractual debt obligations but are qualitatively classified, as well as in consumer loans across all portfolios, particularly personal loans.



(2) * Business's credit line per bank as of June 2024.

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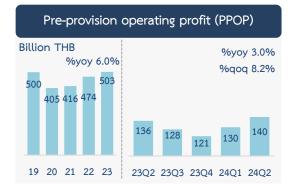


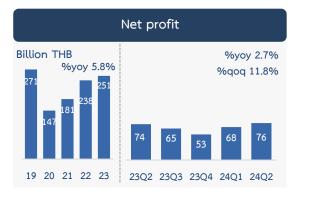
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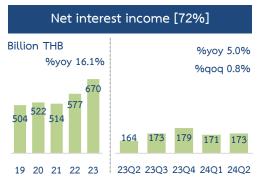
Bank profitability improved from the previous quarter, mainly driven by seasonal dividend income,

despite higher provisioning expenses.









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	Ratios	19	20	21	22	23	23Q2	23Q3	23Q4	24Q1	24Q2
	NIM (%)	2.73	2.63	2.46	2.62	3.00	2.95	3.11	3.17	3.02	3.04
	ROA (%)	1.39	0.69	0.81	1.01	1.06	1.25	1.10	0.89	1.13	1.26
2	ROE (%)	9.90	4.84	5.80	7.49	7.92	9.42	8.19	6.70	8.46	9.44

Note: (1) Bank profitability is on bank-only basis.

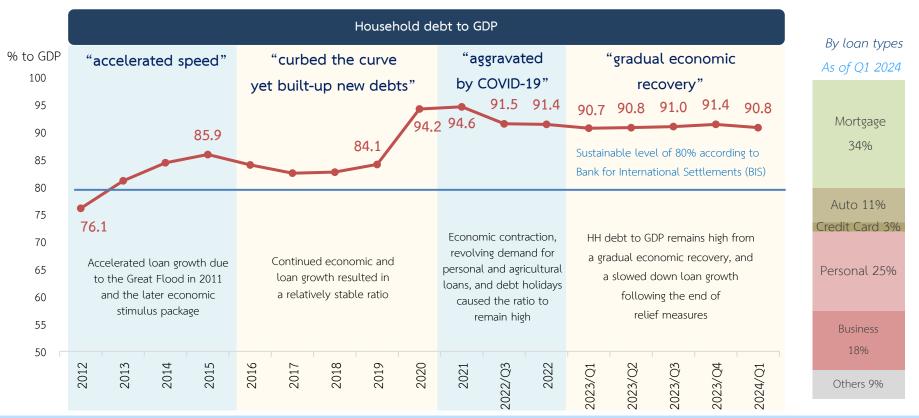
(2) Numbers in the parentheses show the proportion of net income as of Q2 2024.

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Household debt to GDP ratio slightly decreased from the previous quarter

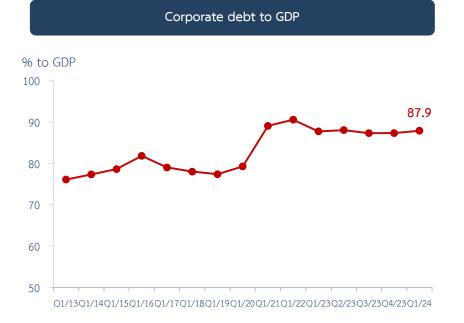
due to a slowdown in credit expansion. It is necessary to continue monitoring the deterioration in household debt serviceability.



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Corporate debt to GDP ratio slightly increased due to an increase in new debt creation, aligning with the economic growth. The overall corporate profitability improved, particularly in manufacturing and tourism-related sectors. Nevertheless, there remains a need to monitor certain businesses whose performances affected by structural issues and declining competitiveness.



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Operating profit margin (OPM) by sector

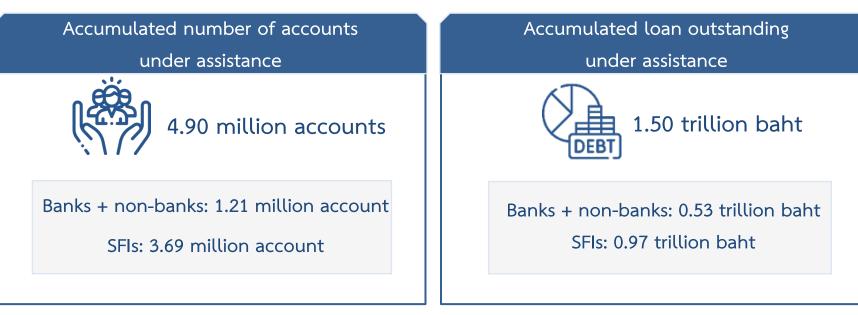
Note: Median values are shown. The manufacturing sector includes manufacturing and petroleum businesses. The tourism-related sector includes hotels, airlines, restaurants and trade. Source: SEC and computed by BOT



Progress of Responsible Lending (RL) Measures

Financial institutions have continued to support their debtors following RL measures since January, 1 2024, with their progress being closely monitored by the Bank of Thailand.

Accumulated debt restructuring of financial institutions in the first half of 2024





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