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## 1. Executive Summary

In July 2023, the Thai economy continued to recover. Private spending increased in both consumption and investment with consumption being benefited from a long holiday this month. The numbers of foreign tourists, after seasonal adjustment, continued to increase, which supported activities in the service sector. Public spending also expanded from higher capital expenditures. The value of merchandise exports, however, declined mainly from electronics and agricultural products, partly due to weaker trading partners' demands.

On the economic stability front, headline inflation slightly increased from energy inflation, following increases in global crude oil prices. Core inflation and fresh food prices decreased due to the high base last year. The overall labor market condition continued to improve, while the current account turned into a deficit due to a smaller trade surplus.

Details of the economic conditions are as follows:

The number of foreign tourist arrivals, after seasonal adjustment, increased from the previous month in several nationalities, including tourists from Russia, China, Japan, and US. In particular, increases in the number of flights were observed between Thailand and Russia. Nevertheless, tourists from some nationalities such as Australia, Singapore, and Europe, decreased slightly.

**Private consumption indicators,** after seasonal adjustment, increased from the previous month, especially consumption of services and non-durable goods. Spending on hotels and restaurants, transportation, as well as consumer goods increased in tandem with the higher number of tourists thanks to a long holiday period this month. The factor supporting household spending continued to improve in terms of employment, while consumer confidence decreased slightly as a result of the delay in forming the government coalition.

**Private investment indicators,** after seasonal adjustment, increased from the previous month. Investment in construction increased following higher sales of construction materials as well as higher permitted area for construction. Investment in machinery and equipment also increased, mainly thanks to higher sales of domestic machinery together with a higher number of registered commercial cars.

Public spending, excluding transfer payments, expanded from the same period last year, mainly due to higher capital expenditures in transportation projects. Current expenditures, on the other hand, stabilized from the same period last year with expansion in expenses of goods and services, while disbursement of compensation for public servants became lowered after being front-loaded in the preceding period. Investments by state-owned enterprises also contracted due to the high base last year in regard to disbursements of the transportation projects.

The value of merchandise exports, excluding gold and after seasonal adjustment, declined from the previous month, especially in 1) hard-disk drive (HDDs) to Hongkong and US, 2) durian to China after the end of seasonal period, and 3) chemical products to China and ASEAN. However, exports of automotive product increased as the supply constraint abated, while exports of canned food to Euro area and animal feed to China also increased.

**Manufacturing production,** after seasonal adjustment, increased from the previous month. The production of 1) food and beverages increased due to higher sugar production, 2) automotive increased from commercial cars, and 3) rubber and plastics picked up as tire production started to recover after being subdued in the previous period. Some categories, however, decreased from the previous month, including HDDs, which decreased in line with their delivery cycle, and electrical appliances, which decreased after a good expansion in the preceding period.

The value of merchandise imports, excluding gold and after seasonal adjustment, decreased from the previous month due to lower imports of fuel, especially natural gas, after a rapid expansion in the previous month. Import of raw materials and intermediate goods, excluding fuel, however, increased following a higher import of electronic parts.

On the stability front, headline inflation slightly increased from energy inflation, following increases in global crude oil prices. Meanwhile, fresh food prices declined due to both the high base last year and falling pork and vegetable prices. Core inflation also declined due to the high base of prepared food prices last year. The labor market continued to improve, especially in the service sector, as reflected by increases in the number of insured people in the social security system. The current account registered a deficit with a lower trade surplus due to weak exports of merchandise. In addition, the services, income, and transfers balance also registered a slight deficit. As for exchange rates, the baht against the US dollar, on average, appreciated as the market lowered its expectations of an additional interest rate increase from the US Federal Reserve, while certainties regarding the forming of the Thai government coalition became more apparent towards the end of this month.

# 2.1 Supply

Farm income contracted from the same period last year due to lower agricultural prices. Manufacturing production picked up after slowing down in the previous period, especially in food and beverages, automotives, as well as rubber and plastics. Economic activities in the service sector continued to increase on the back of tourism sector recovery.

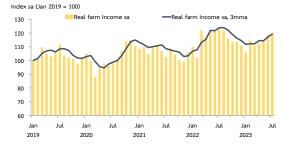
## Agricultural sector

(0()()))	2022	20	22	2023						
(%YoY)	2022	H1	H2	H1	Q1	Q2	Jun	Jul		
Nominal farm income <sup>P</sup>	13.6	11.2	16.9	-0.8	2.7	-4.6	-5.0	-1.1		
Agricultural production <sup>P</sup>	1.8	3.7	0.4	2.6	4.1	0.8	1.0	2.7		
Agricultural price	11.6	7.2	16.4	-3.4	-1.3	-5.4	-6.0	-3.7		

Nominal Farm Income

Note: Farm income does not include government subsidies and transfers. P = Preliminary data Source: Office of Agricultural Economics and calculated by Bank of Thailand

Real Farm Income



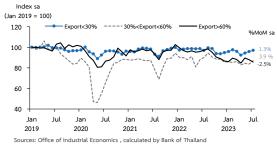
Source: Office of Agricultural Economics and calculated by Bank of Thailand

## Manufacturing sector

			20	22			20	23		
(%YoY)	Share 2016 <sup>R</sup>	2022	H1	H2	H1	Q1	Q2	Jun	Jul <sup>P</sup>	%MoM sa
Food & Beverages	20.3	2.1	0.9	3.5	-1.9	-0.5	-3.6	-4.7	-1.2	3.1
Automotives	13.8	11.5	2.7	20.3	6.2	7.0	5.3	3.1	4.4	5.3
- Passenger Cars	4.7	0.7	-13.8	14.8	33.1	39.0	26.4	31.2	18.0	-2.4
- Commercial Vehicles	7.2	18.1	10.9	25.6	-3.1	-3.3	-2.8	-9.5	-0.2	9.2
- Engine	1.3	11.9	11.2	12.6	-0.1	-2.3	2.6	5.6	0.4	-0.3
Petroleum	9.5	8.7	14.5	3.4	3.9	7.4	0.5	1.6	5.0	-0.1
Chemicals	9.1	-4.4	-0.9	-7.9	-6.5	-8.6	-4.4	-2.2	-1.8	2.0
Rubbers & Plastics	8.8	-1.1	1.1	-3.3	-7.1	-4.7	-9.6	-10.9	-7.9	2.5
Cement & Construction	5.5	3.0	0.0	6.3	-2.3	-0.1	-4.6	-6.0	-2.6	2.5
IC & Semiconductors	5.5	1.3	0.8	1.8	-3.7	-4.5	-2.8	-2.7	-9.7	-3.1
Electrical Appliances	3.8	-0.6	-2.0	1.0	-2.8	-4.3	-1.3	-0.8	-10.9	-8.6
Textiles & Apparels	3.5	-1.5	-0.1	-3.0	-24.6	-24.9	-24.2	-23.7	-29.4	-3.1
Hard Disk Drive	3.4	-29.1	-21.4	-37.5	-34.0	-37.6	-29.4	-20.7	-39.1	-23.8
Others	16.7	-5.3	-4.3	-6.4	-12.5	-11.4	-13.7	-10.2	-9.8	0.0
MPI	100	0.4	0.2	0.5	-4.6	-3.7	-5.5	-5.0	-4.4	0.9
MPI sa ∆% from last period	100	-	2.6	-1.7	-3.3	0.5	-1.9	0.0	0.9	-
Capacity Utilization (sa)	100	-	63.5	62.1	60.1	60.9	59.4	59.8	60.6	-

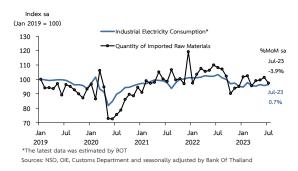
#### Manufacturing Production Index

Note: the new MPI series as adjusted by the OIE (coverage and base year at 2016) R = 2021 Revision P = Preliminary dataSource: Office of Industrial Economics and seasonally adjusted by Bank of ThallandProduction Index of petroleum does not include the production of dises B10 and B20



MPI Classified by Export Share

#### Other Indicators of Manufacturing Production



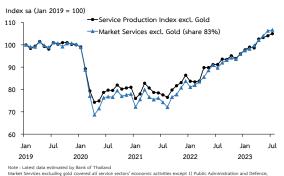
#### Capacity Utilization (sa)

	Share			20	22			20	023	
(%)	2016 <sup>R</sup>	2022	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Jun	Jul <sup>P</sup>
Food & Beverages	20.3	54.4	54.4	54.2	54.9	54.0	53.5	51.8	52.2	53.5
Automotives	13.8	75.2	73.2	71.2	78.5	77.9	76.6	73.7	73.7	78.1
Petroleum	9.5	82.0	83.5	84.8	86.8	73.1	85.7	83.2	83.5	85.3
Chemicals	9.1	70.3	74.6	71.7	69.8	64.7	67.4	68.8	69.3	70.2
Rubbers & Plastics	8.8	49.9	51.0	52.4	50.1	46.3	46.8	46.2	45.9	46.5
Construction & Non-metal	5.5	61.6	61.4	61.8	61.6	61.5	60.4	59.0	58.7	59.9
IC & Semiconductors	5.5	77.5	77.6	76.3	80.1	75.6	69.2	68.9	69.1	69.3
Electrical Appliances	3.8	64.1	63.9	63.6	68.5	61.0	60.9	61.7	64.2	58.3
Textiles & Apparels	3.5	40.1	41.2	41.6	41.2	36.5	33.7	31.9	32.2	32.0
Hard Disk Drive	3.4	61.0	72.3	63.3	58.4	50.6	51.7	48.3	48.5	44.1
Others	16.7	54.7	56.7	56.0	54.7	51.6	51.4	49.7	50.7	50.0
CAPU sa	100.0	62.8	63.9	63.1	64.0	60.1	60.9	59.4	59.8	60.6

Note: the new Capacity Utilization series as adjusted by the OIE (coverage and base year at 2016) R = 2021 Revision  $${\rm P}$$  = Preliminary data

Source: Office of Industrial Economics , calculated by Bank of Thailand

Service sector



Service Production Index (SPI)

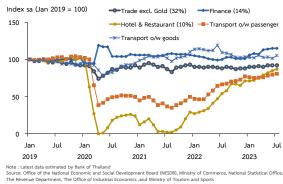
' economic activities except 1) Public Ac ocial Work, and 4) Gold trading activities opment Board (NESDB), Ministry of Com nics ,and Ministry of Tourism and Sports ce: Off erce, National Statistical Office

2022 2023 Share (%YoY) 2022 %MoM (2016) H1 H2 H1 Q1 Q2 Jun Jul sa Trade exl Gold 32.2 -2.3 -0.8 0.8 2.1 4.1 4.2 -0.4 -1.5 1.4 Transportation 7.7 19.8 12.7 26.9 13.7 19.9 1.8 7.6 3.5 8.0 2.4 (o/w) Goods 2.5 6.6 10.9 -9.6 -8.9 -10.4 -14.9 -3.6 3.8 5.2 (o/w) Passenger 38.7 16.5 61.7 42.4 59.2 28.5 19.6 17.9 1.3 Hotel & Restaurant 10.3 321.0 218.8 414.5 123.5 156.3 97.7 80.3 61.3 1.6 Finance 14.0 -4.3 -3.2 -5.4 8.3 2.4 14.4 16.9 14.5 -0.3 17.0 Non-Market Services -0.6 -0.3 -0.9 2.4 7.0 -1.9 -0.5 5.0 6.3 SPI 100.0 12.8 11.2 14.3 11.5 13.4 9.6 8.9 10.5 2.0 SPI exl Gold 100.0 13.0 9.8 16.1 16.1 17.7 14.5 14.1 15.1 0.9 Market Services exl Gold 83.0 16.1 12.1 19.9 18.8 19.8 17.9 17.0 17.2 0.3

Table of Service Production Index (SPI) by Sector

Note : Share to total service in GDP Source: Bank of Thailand





-cial Development Board (NESDB), Ministry of Commerce, National Statistical Office, ial Economics ,and Ministry of Tourism and Sports

## 2.2 Domestic Demand

Private consumption indicators increased from the previous month, especially consumption of services and non-durable goods. Private investment indicators, also improved in both the construction, as well as the machinery and equipment categories. Public spending, excluding transfer payments, expanded from the same period last year, mainly from capital expenditures of the central government.

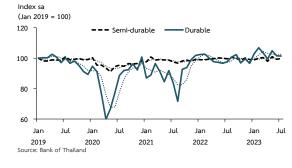
#### Private Consumption

#### 2022 2023 %YoY 2022 %MoN H1 H2 H1 01 02 Jul Jun sa 2.5 Non-durables index 0.0 4.4 2.6 2.6 1.7 2.0 0.6 2.1 Semi-durables index 1.1 0.6 1.6 0.1 0.6 -0.5 -0.7 0.2 0.5 Durables index 7.5 6.7 8.2 3.5 2.6 4.5 4.2 2.9 -0.1 Services index 27.2 22.9 18.4 22.6 25.1 20.3 17.3 17.8 1.6 (less) Net tourist 1065.6 495.8 1528.0 339.5 49.3 1.5 400.9 282.6 37.2 expenditure PCI 8.4 9.7 5.5 7.3 1.0 7.2 6.8 7.0 6.7

Private Consumption Indicators (PCI)

Note: %MoM is calculated from Source: Bank of Thailand

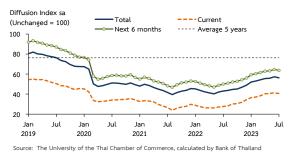
Durable and Semi-durable Indices



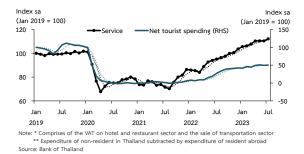
#### Nielsen's FMCG Index & Fuel Index



## Consumer Confidence Index



Service Index\* & Net Tourist Spending Index\*\*



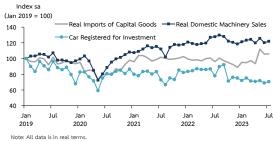
## Private Investment

#### 2022 2023 % YoY 2022 H1 Jul<sup>P</sup> H2 H1 Q1 Q2 Jun %MoMsz Permitted Construction Area 6.3 9.6 2.9 -6.3 -6.8 -5.7 -3.5 9.4 10.2 (4mma) -0.7 3.4 7.5 -1.3 1.9 1.3 Construction Materials Index -0.3 0.4 -1.9 -2.7 4.7 Real Imports of Capital Goods -3.3 -0.9 -5.6 1.0 5.4 10.1 0.2 Real Domestic Machinery Sales 8.4 7.3 9.6 1.7 3.3 -0.1 -5.1 -4.8 1.4 Newly Registered Motor Vehicles for 5.9 5.3 6.7 -16.3 -14.6 -18.1 -20.0 -10.5 2.4 Investment Private Investment Index 2.5 3.3 1.8 -0.3 -0.2 -0.4 -2.1 1.4 1.4 P = Pr

Private Investment Indicators

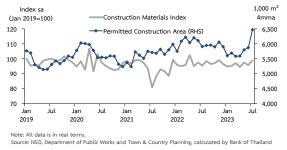
Note: %MoMsa is calculated from se Source: Bank of Thailand adju ed data

Investment in Machinery and Equipment

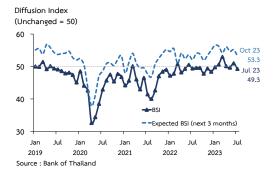


Source: Department of Land Transport, Customs Department, Revenue Department, calculated by Bank of Thailand

#### Investment in Construction



**Business Sentiment Index** 



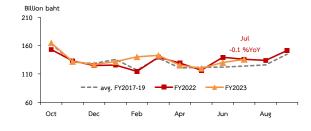
## Fiscal position and public expenditure

## Fiscal Position (Cash Basis)

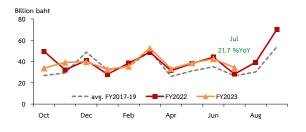
Billion baht	FY22		FY	22			FY23		FY	23
Billion bant	FY22	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Jun	Jul <sup>P</sup>
Revenue	2,551	533	572	787	660	640	518	799	386	181
(%YoY)	(4.2)	(-13.8)	(16.6)	(22.6)	(-5.6)	(20.1)	(-9.4)	(1.6)	(-0.8)	(22.3)
Expenditure <sup>1/</sup>	3,056	974	663	712	706	988	752	767	344	234
(%YoY)	(-2.4)	(2.3)	(-0.3)	(1.8)	(-13.2)	(1.4)	(13.5)	(7.7)	(7.6)	(-8.8)
Budgetary B/L	-504	-441	-91	75	-47	-348	-234	33	42	-54
Non-Budgetary B/L	-449	-168	-163	-22	-95	-33	2	141	-33	-60
Cash B/L (CG)	-953	-610	-254	53	-142	-381	-232	174	9	-113
Primary balance <sup>2/</sup>	-702	-474	-235	134	-127	-243	-215	259	83	-109
Net Financing	988	358	278	175	178	130	54	-15	87	59
Treasury B/L	624	337	361	588	624	372	194	353	353	299

Note: P = Preliminary data 1/ Includes cash payments for operating and purchase of non-financial assets, except loan repayments 2/ Excludes loan principal and interest payment

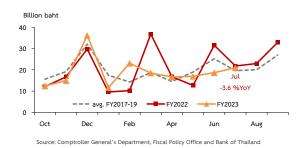
Central Government <u>Current</u> Expenditure (Excl. Subsidies/Grants and Other)



Central Government Capital Expenditure (Excl. Subsidies/Grants and Other)



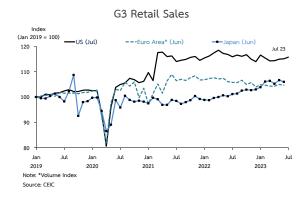
State Owned Enterprises Capital Expenditure



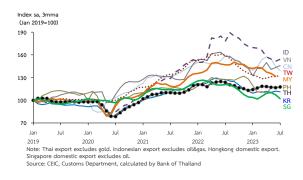
## 2.3 The Global Economy and External Sector

The value of merchandise exports, excluding gold and after seasonal adjustment, decreased from the previous month, especially in electronics, agricultural, as well as petroleum and chemical products. Foreign tourist figures increased especially Russian tourists thanks to an increasing number of flights between Russia and Thailand. The current account registered a deficit, following a smaller trade surplus from weak exports. In addition, the net services, income and transfer balance exhibited a slightly larger deficit than the previous month due to lower earnings from transportation as well as higher expenses on intellectual property.

## The global economy



#### Asian Export Performance



#### External sector

#### Export Value

Jun 2023 = 24.7 Bn	USD (-5	5.9%Yo	Jul	2023 =	22 Bn	USD (	-5.5%ነ	′oY)				
Excl. Gold = 24.5 Br	n USD (	(-4.6%)	YoY)		Excl	. Gold	= 21.8	3 Bn U	SD (-4.	5%YoY)		
	Share 20					2023						
%YoY	2022	2022	Н1	H2	H1	Q1	Q2	Jun	Jul	%MoM sa		
Agriculture	6.9	1.0	9.9	-8.2	-0.0	5.6	-3.5	-5.7	-6.0	-10.6		
Fishery	0.6	-2.1	2.8	-6.3	-6.6	-13.2	-0.6	-6.3	-15.7	-5.4		
Manufacturing	88.9	4.8	10.4	-0.5	-4.9	-3.3	-6.5	-5.0	-5.2	-0.7		
Agro-manufacturing	13.7	6.5	10.3	2.8	-3.7	0.9	-8.1	-10.3	-11.2	1.9		
Electronics	11.9	3.7	9.3	-1.2	-7.1	-8.1	-6.1	-7.6	-5.0	-9.4		
Electrical Appliances	9.2	2.7	3.3	2.1	6.9	4.6	9.5	8.5	4.7	-0.1		
Automotive	14.3	-1.0	-4.8	2.9	2.9	2.1	3.8	6.0	17.1	7.1		
Machinery & Equipment	8.3	6.3	7.2	5.4	-1.2	-1.0	-1.5	3.1	-1.3	-3.0		
Petroleum Related	12.2	1.5	19.8	-14.1	-19.7	-15.7	-23.2	-21.2	-27.0	-5.2		
Total (BOP Basis)	100.0	5.4	11.8	-0.7	-5.1	-4.5	-5.6	-5.9	-5.5	-1.7		
Excl. Gold		4.3	9.6	-0.8	-4.0	-2.3	-5.7	-4.6	-4.5	-1.8		
Excl. Gold & Petroleum Related		4.7	8.1	1.3	-1.6	-0.4	-2.8	-2.0	-0.8	-1.4		

vwwoMsa calculated from seasonally adjusted data, using data since 2007 (subject to revision). P = Preliminary data. Note: Data above are recorded by custom basis, except total export value which is recorded by BOP basis. Custom basis considers recording as goods pass through Customs, while BOP basis considers changes in ownership between residents and non-residents.

and non-residents. Source: Compiled from Customs Department's data

#### Import Value

Jun 2023 = 22.7 Bn USD (-9.3%YoY) Excl. Gold = 21.9 Bn USD (-10.2%YoY)

Jul 2023 = 21.7 Bn USD (-12%YoY) Excl. Gold = 21.1 Bn USD (-8.2%YoY)

	Share		20	22			20	023		
%YoY	2022	2022	H1	H2	Н1	Q1	Q2	Jun	Jul	%MoM sa
Consumer	11.9	6.5	8.0	5.1	8.7	11.0	6.4	2.9	10.7	4.9
Raw material & Intermediate	66.5	16.4	27.2	6.7	-6.9	-1.2	-12.1	-16.4	-15.3	-2.5
o/w Fuel	19.2	55.5	83.3	34.7	-4.1	6.9	-13.0	-17.9	-24.9	-16.4
o/w Raw mat & Interm excl. Fuel	47.3	5.7	13.7	-1.9	-8.0	-4.1	-11.7	-15.7	-11.3	3.6
Capital	16.7	2.1	7.9	-3.2	4.1	0.7	7.5	2.6	17.8	2.7
Others	5.0	21.4	-14.4	70.9	-13.1	-12.8	-13.3	10.6	-56.6	-9.4
Total (BOP Basis)	100.0	14.0	19.1	9.3	-1.7	2.0	-5.0	-9.3	-12.0	-2.3
Excl. Gold		13.4	20.7	6.7	-1.2	2.7	-4.7	-10.2	-8.2	-1.9
Excl. Gold & Fuel		5.9	10.9	1.1	-0.4	1.7	-2.4	-8.0	-3.6	1.9

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## Balance of payments

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0.00	2021 <sup>P</sup>	2022 <sup>P</sup>	20	22 <sup>P</sup>			2023 <sup>P</sup>		
Billion USD	2021	2022	H1	H2	H1	Q1	Q2	Jun	Jul
Trade Balance	32.4	13.5	10.3	3.3	5.1	2.9	2.2	2.0	0.4
Exports (f.o.b.)	270.6	285.2	147.5	137.6	140.1	69.8	70.3	24.7	22.0
%YoY	19.2	5.4	11.8	-0.7	-5.1	-4.5	-5.6	-5.9	-5.5
Imports (f.o.b.)	238.2	271.6	137.2	134.4	135.0	66.9	68.1	22.7	21.7
%YoY	27.7	14.0	19.1	9.3	-1.7	2.0	-5.0	-9.3	-12.0
Net Services, Income & Transfers	-43.0	-28.2	-19.5	-8.7	-3.5	0.5	-4.1	-0.6	-0.8
Current Account	-10.6	-14.7	-9.2	-5.5	1.6	3.5	-1.9	1.4	-0.4
Capital and Financial Account	-6.0	3.2	3.6	-0.4		-2.5			
Overall Balance	-7.1	-10.2	-7.4	-2.9	-0.6	2.7	-3.3	-2.7	0.3

Source: Bank of Thailand P = Preliminary data

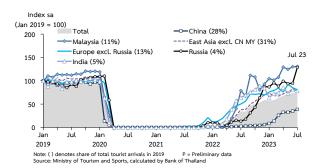
## Foreign tourist arrivals

## Inbound Tourists by Country of Origin

Thousand persons*	2019	2022 <sup>p</sup>	20	22 <sup>p</sup>			2023 <sup>P</sup>		
(Share in 2019)	(Pre-COVID) 2022 <sup>p</sup>		H1	H2	H1	Q1	Q2	Jun	Jul
China (27.9%)	11,138.7	270.9	56.4	214.5	1,443.1	517.3	925.8	311.9	410.3
Malaysia (10.7%)	4,274.5	1,953.7	202.6	1,751.1	2,104.7	921.0	1,183.7	408.4	371.2
East Asia ex. China & Malaysia (30.7%)	12,256.8	3,707.9	555.4	3,152.5	4,195.2	1,996.0	2,199.2	833.8	867.6
Russia (3.7%)	1,481.8	434.6	71.2	363.4	791.6	566.7	224.9	50.7	64.9
Europe ex. Russia (12.6%)	5,243.5	2,254.2	585.1	1,669.1	2,190.5	1,438.6	751.8	214.1	321.8
India (4.9%)	1,965.9	978.8	206.6	772.2	749.0	351.1	397.9	134.1	130.6
US (2.8%)	1,134.6	453.2	106.4	346.7	448.9	226.4	222.5	77.7	79.7
Others (6.6%)	2,420.5	1,111.4	297.1	814.2	991.8	460.5	531.3	210.6	244.5
Total (non sa)	39,916.3	11,164.7	2,080.9	9,083.8	12,914.7	6,477.5	6,437.2	2,241.2	2,490.6
%YoY	4.6	2,509.4	5,044.7	2,244.7	520.6	1,202.4	306.5	191.5	119.5
%QoQsa, MoMsa						10.8	18.1	4.4	0.9

Note: \* Non seasonally adjusted data P = Preliminary data Source: Ministry of Tourism and Sports

## Tourists Classified by Nationality



## 2.4 Monetary and Financial Conditions

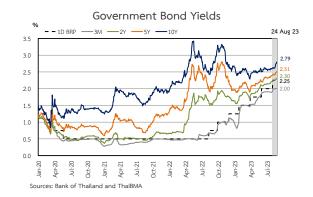
Total corporate financing decreased from the previous month mainly due to lower business loans, while corporate financing in bond and equity slightly increased. Net loans extended to the household sector, however, continued to pick up. On exchange rates, the baht against the US dollar, on average, appreciated from the previous month while the NEER remained stable.

#### Interest rates

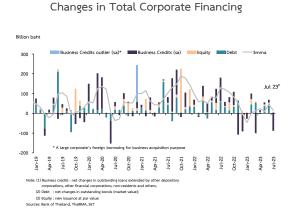
#### Commercial Bank Interest Rates\*

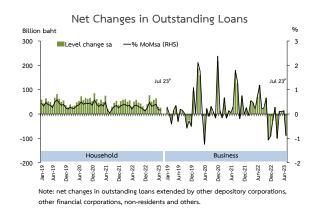
		20	21		20	22		2023			
% p.a	2020	Н1	H2	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Jul	24 Aug
12-month deposit rate											
Average of 6 largest Thai banks**	0.49	0.42	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.5	0.98	1.15	1.40	1.40	1.45
Average of other Thai banks	0.89	0.81	0.89	0.84	0.84	0.93	1.04	1.26	1.48	1.50	1.58
Average of foreign branches and subsidiary***	0.56	0.54	0.53	0.53	0.56	0.57	0.72	0.80	1.03	1.03	1.03
MLR											
Average of 6 largest Thai banks	5.36	5.36	5.49	5.49	5.49	5.55	6.00	6.56	7.00	7.00	7.00
Average of other Thai banks	6.69	6.59	6.71	6.71	6.71	6.71	7.19	7.67	7.97	7.97	8.00
Average of foreign branches and subsidiary	6.84	6.79	6.79	6.79	6.79	6.79	6.76	6.89	7.13	7.19	7.21
MRR											
Average of 6 largest Thai banks	6.00	6.04	6.08	6.08	6.08	6.13	6.30	6.81	7.20	7.20	7.20
Average of other Thai banks	7.09	7.09	7.32	7.32	7.32	7.32	7.74	8.11	8.46	8.46	8.49
Average of foreign branches and subsidiary	7.93	7.91	7.91	7.91	7.91	7.91	7.91	8.00	8.15	8.15	8.15
* End of Period											

\*\* Bangkok Bank, Krung Thai Bank, Kasikom Bank, Siam Commercial Bank, Bank of Ayudhya and TMBThanachart Bank since July 2021
\*\*\* Excludes CitiBank since June 2023
Source Bank of Thailand

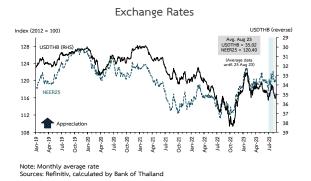


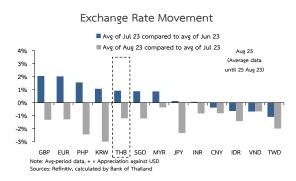
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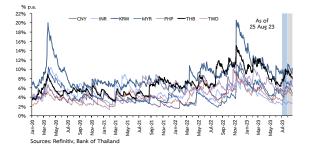


## Exchange rates





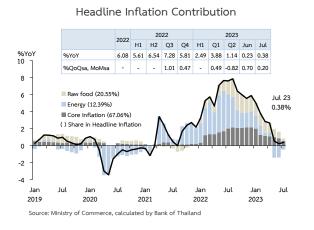
Regional Exchange Rate Volatility



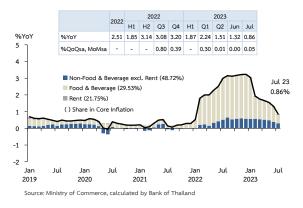
## 2.5 Financial Stability

Headline inflation slightly increased from energy inflation, following higher global crude oil prices. Core inflation decreased due to the high base last year. Labor market continued to improve as reflected by increases in the number of insured persons in the social security system.

#### Inflation

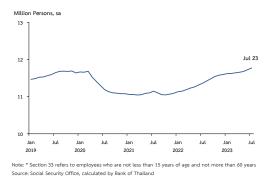


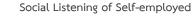
#### Core Inflation Contribution

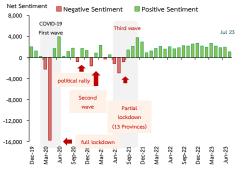


#### Labor market







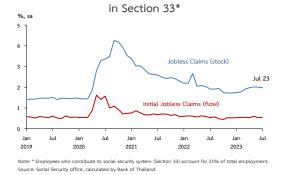


Note: The index is calculated based on the number of Positive Posts minus the number of Negative Posts, which can reflect the direction of self-employed activities quite well. However, it may not reflect the size of the change. In addition, the index is quite sensitive to other issues such as the number of coronavirus cases, politics, government measures, which makes the data quite volatile at times.

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Note: The index is calculated by

Ratio of Jobless Claims to Total Contributors



# 3. Link to related statistics and contents

## Agricultural sector

Agricultural prices: <u>Agricultural prices</u>

Agricultural production: Agricultural products

More information: Office Of Agricultural Economics <u>www.oae.go.th</u>

## Manufacturing sector

Manufacturing production: Manufacturing production index (MPI)

Capacity utilization rate: Capacity utilization rate

More information: Office of Industrial Economics <u>http://www.oie.go.th/view/1/Home/EN-US</u>

## Real estate sector

Property Indicators: Property Indicators (EC\_EI\_009\_S2)

More information: Real Estate Information Center <u>www.reic.or.th/</u>

## Public finance

Central government revenue: Government revenue

Central government expenditure (GFSM2001): Government expenditure (EC\_PF\_011)

Fiscal Position (GFSM2001): Fiscal position in cash basis (EC\_PF\_009)

More information: Fiscal Policy Office <u>www.fpo.go.th</u>

## Labor market

Labor force survey: Labor force survey (EC\_RL\_009\_S4)

Employment: Number of employed persons classified by occupation (EC\_RL\_012)

Average wage: <u>Average wage classified by industry (EC\_RL\_014\_S2)</u>

More information: National Statistical Office <u>www.nso.go.th</u>

## Inflation

Inflation: Consumer price index (CPI)

More information: Bureau of Trade and Economic Indices <u>www.price.moc.go.th</u>

# Other reports of Monetary Policy Group, Bank of Thailand

Monthly report on Business Sentiment Index: <u>Business Sentiment Index</u>

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