Macroeconomic Assessment
28 September 2007

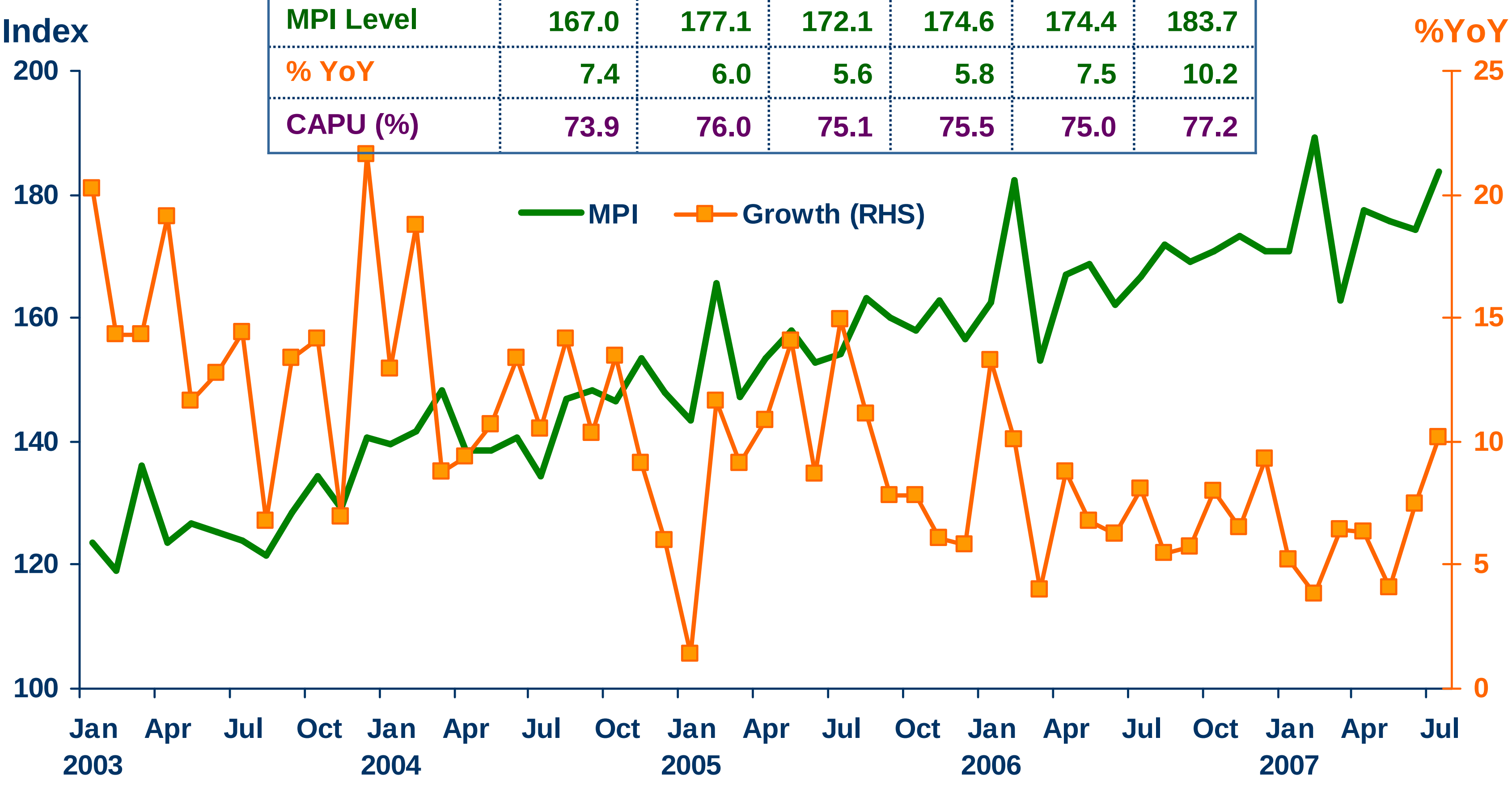
Farm Income from Major Crops

%YoY	2006	2007				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug
Farm Income	32.7	27.4	22.3	24.5	17.5	16.5
Production	6.5	5.0	6.1	5.5	2.8	1.1
Price	24.5	21.3	15.3	18.1	14.4	15.3

Source : Office of Agricultural Economics, BOT

Manufacturing Production Index (MPI)

	2006	2007				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug P
MPI Level	167.0	177.1	172.1	174.6	174.4	183.7
% YoY	7.4	6.0	5.6	5.8	7.5	10.2
CAPU (%)	73.9	76.0	75.1	75.5	75.0	77.2



Source: BOT Survey

Note : MPI constructed by using 76 industry categories which represent 75.68% of V.A. in manufacturing sector

P = Preliminary (88.0% coverage)

Manufacturing Production Index (MPI)

(%YoY)	2006	2007				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug p
Textiles	2.2	-1.7	-0.5	-1.1	-0.1	-2.8
Electronic	23.7	22.2	16.2	19.2	20.2	31.6
Petroleum	2.4	-1.1	3.3	1.1	-3.4	0.4
Vehicles	5.0	-6.4	0.1	-3.2	12.8	4.5
Food	7.6	6.8	7.5	7.1	-4.7	-3.1
Beverages	14.1	8.8	4.6	6.7	-7.6	10.7
Electrical app.	-8.1	0.5	3.8	2.2	13.8	23.7
Leather	-26.9	36.4	59.7	47.8	10.2	-32.2
Chemical	0.4	-2.7	4.5	0.9	15.8	9.4
Iron & steel	-3.4	5.6	-16.2	-6.4	6.8	-4.2
Construction	5.6	-1.7	-7.2	-4.4	-0.5	-3.2
Others	0.3	2.0	1.7	1.9	5.3	3.9
Tobacco	-13.3	20.8	7.3	13.8	69.2	8.2
MPI (76 products)	7.4	6.0	5.6	5.8	7.5	10.2

Source : Constructed from BOT survey
p: preliminary

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Capacity Utilization and Capacity Index

	2006	2007				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug P
CAPU (%)	73.9	76.0	75.1	75.5	75.0	77.2
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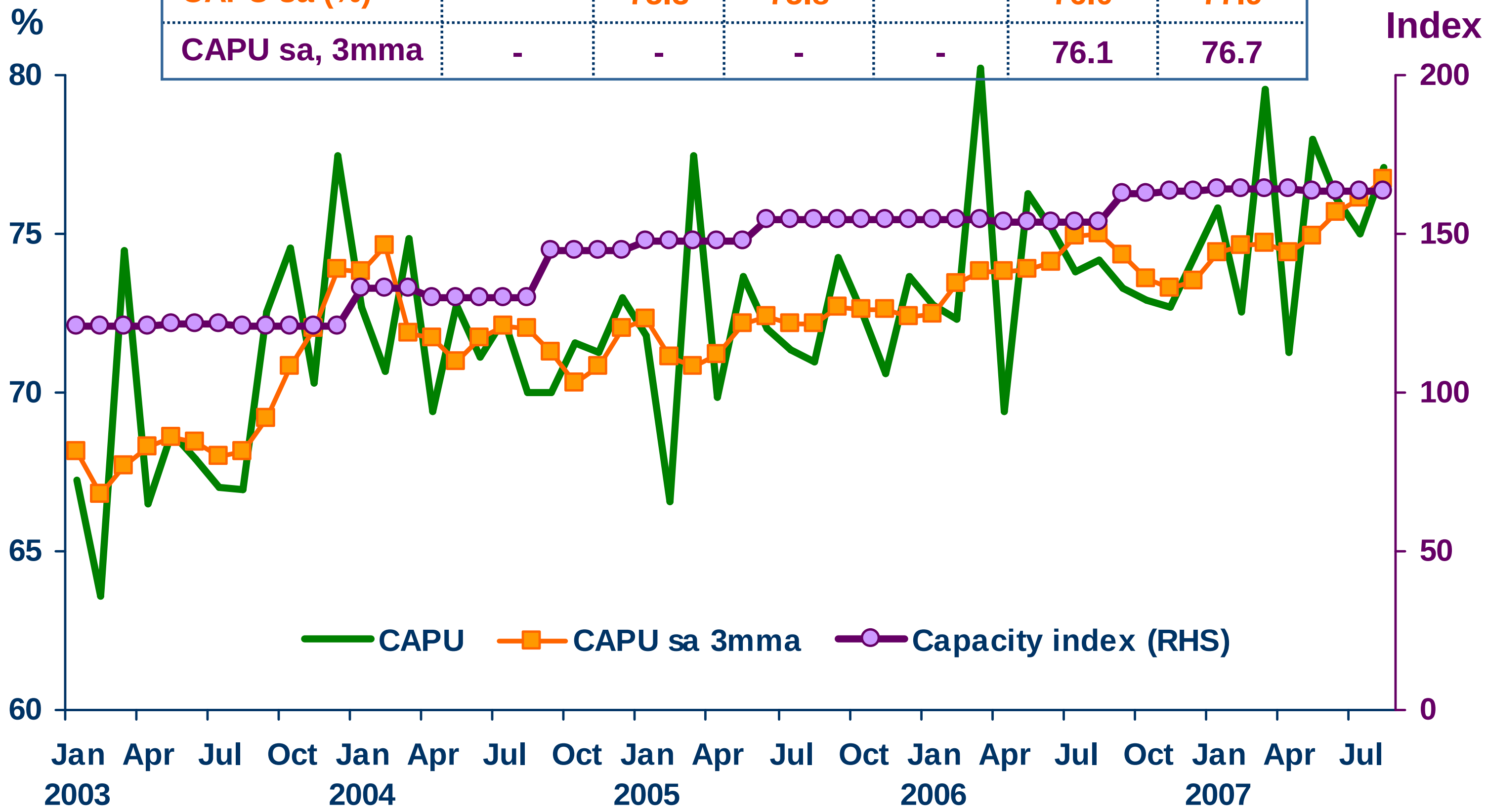


Source: BOT Survey

Note : CAPU constructed by using 69 industry categories which represent 59.1% of V.A. in manufacturing sector

P = Preliminary

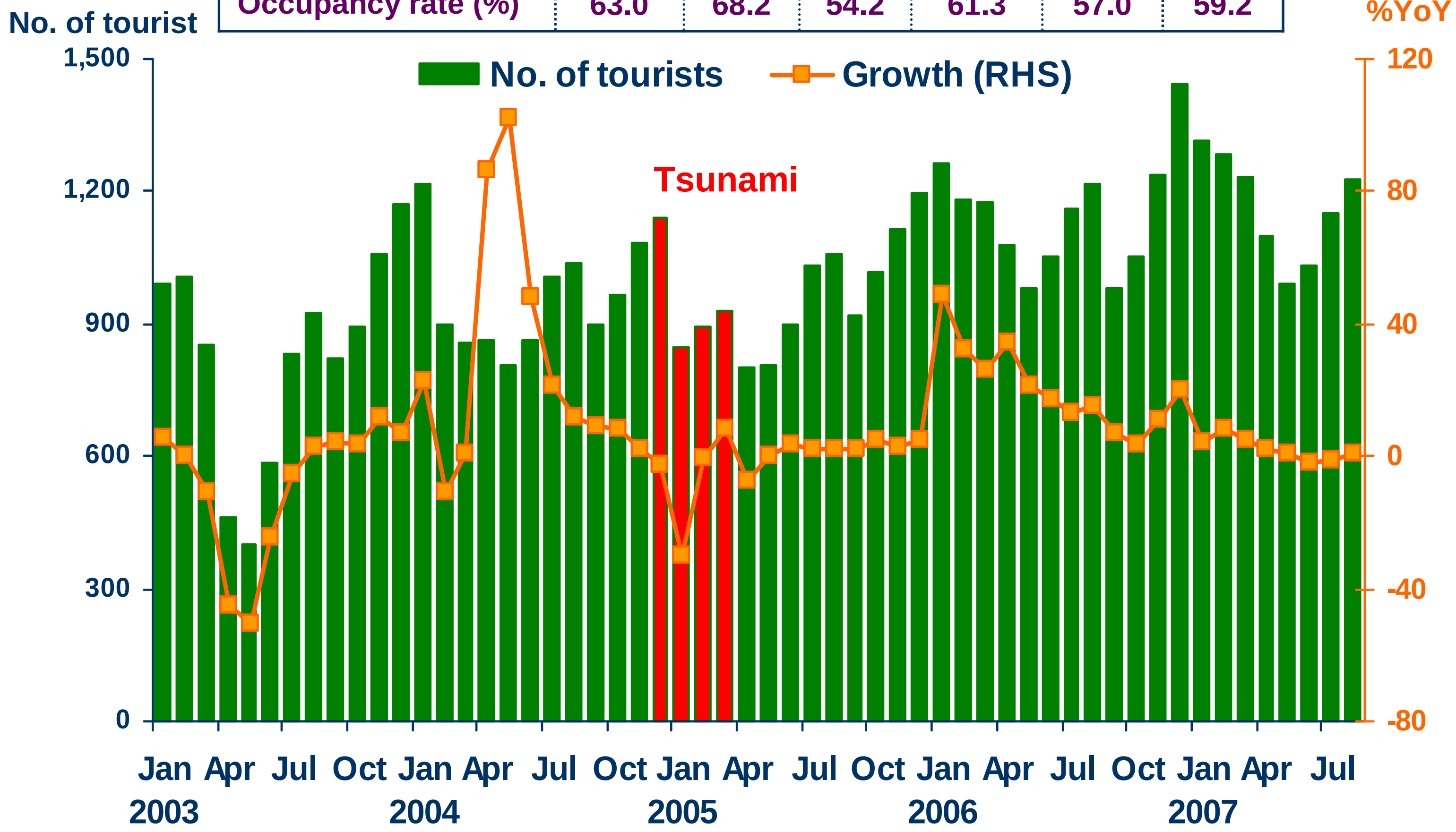
Capacity Utilization

(%)	2006	2007				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug^{P}
Electronic	76.1	73.6	74.6	74.1	80.2	87.9
Petroleum	87.2	85.1	90.0	87.2	89.2	90.3
Vehicles	79.2	76.2	78.5	77.4	84.2	84.9
Beverages	77.1	84.1	79.1	81.6	73.4	76.8
Electrical app.	68.1	65.7	72.1	68.8	70.8	80.9
Food	59.5	83.9	54.4	69.1	43.5	45.9
Leather	40.2	65.5	73.4	69.4	35.5	24.7
Chemical	93.8	87.1	93.8	90.4	104.8	102.0
Iron & steel	58.8	58.4	56.5	57.5	53.4	52.8
Construction	81.6	82.6	76.1	79.3	83.7	84.0
Paper	91.0	89.1	91.6	90.3	92.1	92.5
Rubber	64.6	64.3	52.1	58.2	62.0	72.7
Others	64.3	65.4	63.4	64.4	70.7	67.1
-Tobacco	50.0	54.6	52.8	53.7	85.7	65.2
CAPU (69 products)	73.9	76.0	75.1	75.5	75.0	77.2

Source : Constructed from BOT survey
p: preliminary

Tourism

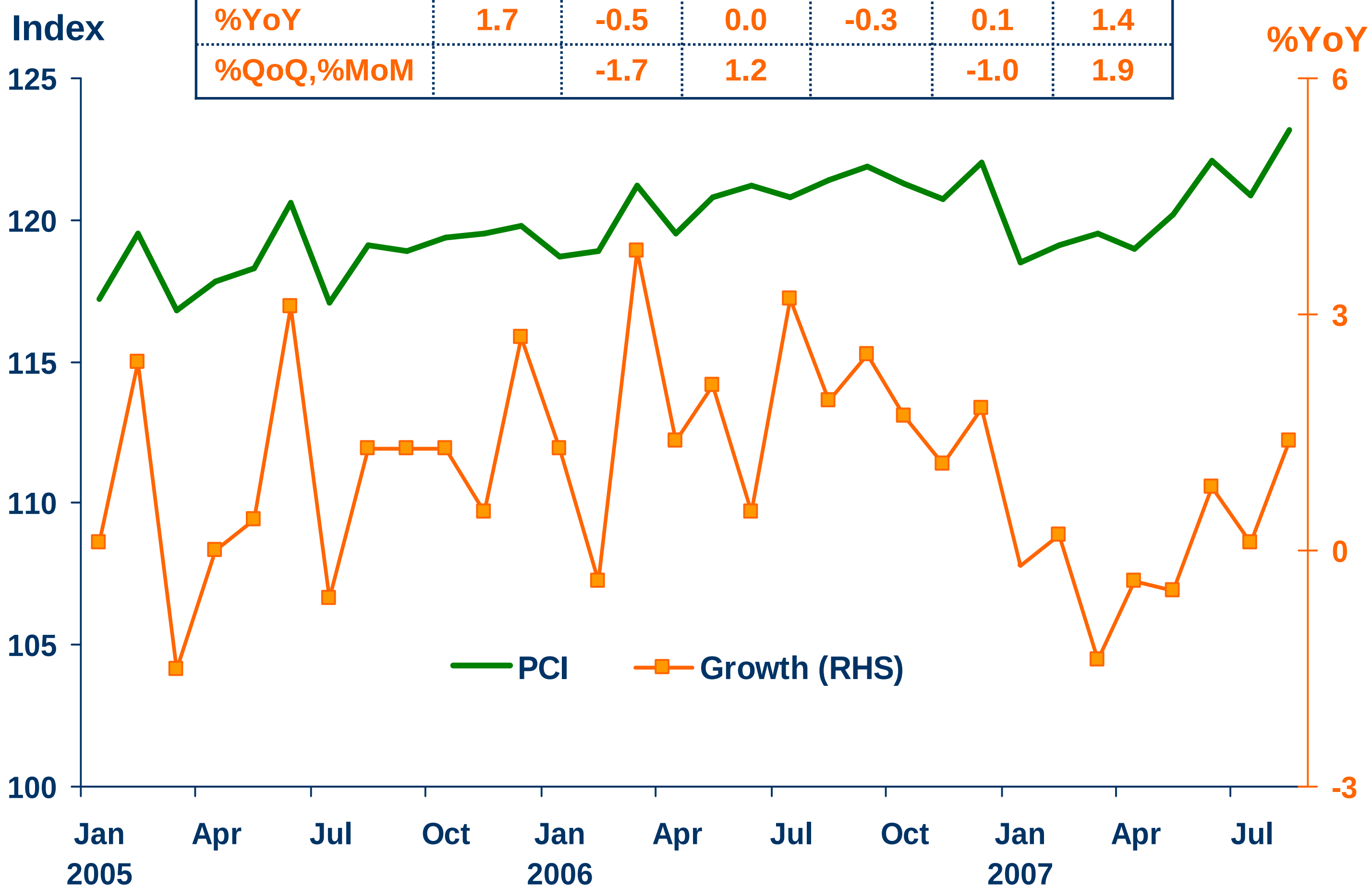
%YoY	2006	2007				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jul P	Aug P
No. of tourists ('000)	13,822	3,831	3,124	6,955	1,150	1,230
%YoY	20.0	5.8	0.4	3.3	-1.2	1.0
Occupancy rate (%)	63.0	68.2	54.2	61.3	57.0	59.2



Source : Tourism Authority of Thailand

Private Consumption Index (PCI)
(Seasonally adjusted, 2000=100)

%YoY	2006	2007				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug
PCI	120.7	119.0	120.5	119.8	120.9	123.2
%YoY	1.7	-0.5	0.0	-0.3	0.1	1.4
%QoQ,%MoM		-1.7	1.2		-1.0	1.9



Note: PCI series are rebased according to MOC import prices index and hence, data from 2000 onwards are disseminated.

Source : Bank of Thailand

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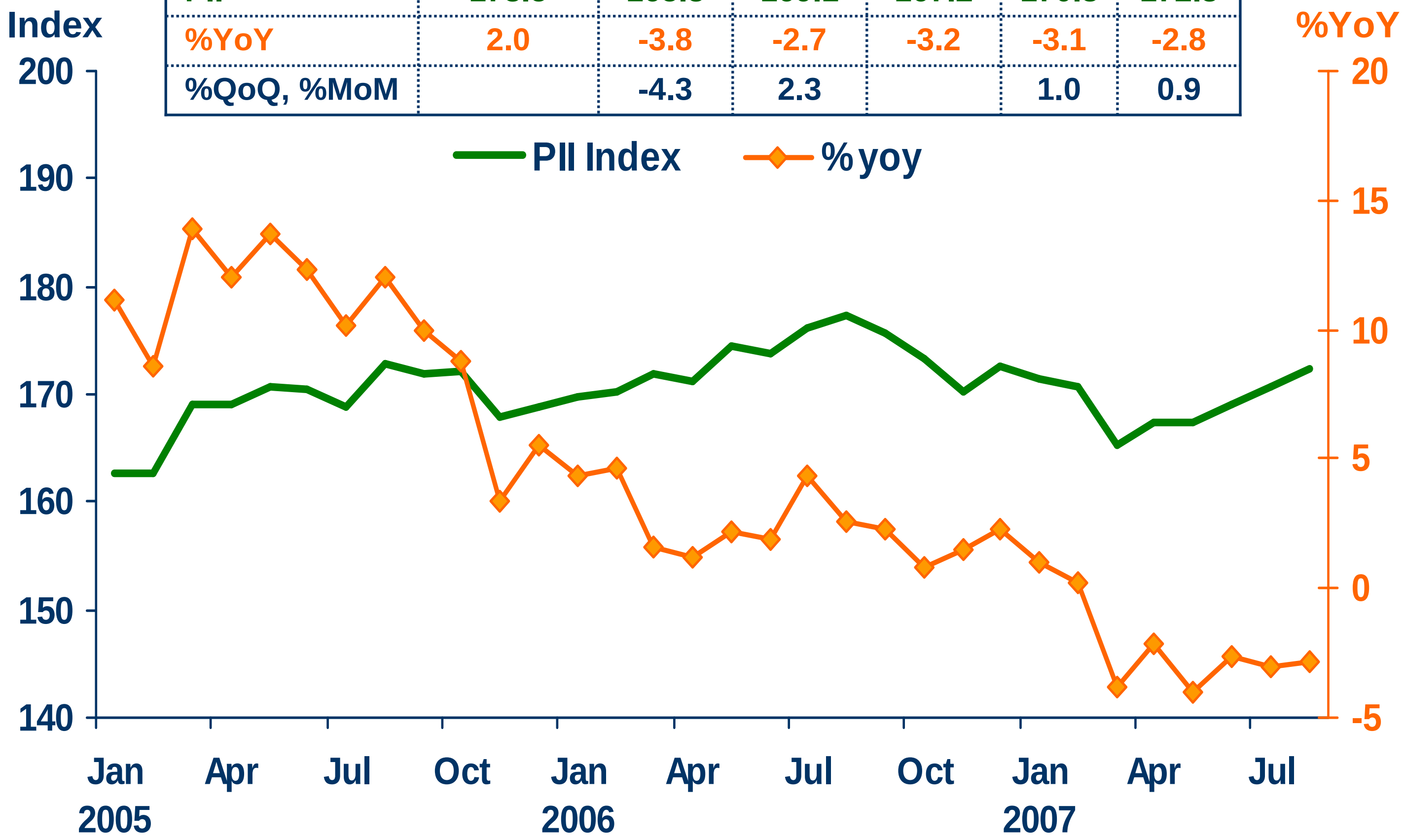
Private Investment Index (PII)

(Seasonally adjusted, 3-month moving average, 2000 = 100)

%YoY	2006	2007				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug E
PII	173.5	165.3	169.1	167.2	170.8	172.3
%YoY	2.0	-3.8	-2.7	-3.2	-3.1	-2.8
%QoQ, %MoM		-4.3	2.3		1.0	0.9



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E = Estimated by assuming this month's data (seasonally-adjusted and moving average) equal to previous month's.

Source : Bank of Thailand

Government Revenue (by Collection Tax Base)

%YoY	Share 2005	FY 06P	FY 07P				
		Total	H1	Q2 P	Q3 P	Jul	Aug p
1. Tax	90	7.6	5.9	4.1	5.3	4.3	1.9
1.1 Income Tax	35	16.1	5.0	3.2	11.1	15.4	0.5
Personal	10	15.4	12.3	12.3	19.1	10.6	9.5
Corporate	22	13.7	-3.6	-12.1	6.2	14.6	0.7
1.2 Consumption Tax	47	4.5	8.8	6.3	-0.6	0.5	5.8
VAT	26	8.3	5.6	4.5	1.3	1.9	*4.9*
Specific business	2	16.4	16.1	13.1	8.3	5.6	8.8
Excise	19	-1.9	12.8	8.2	-4.5	-2.2	7.0
1.3 Int'l Trade	7	-12.4	-9.1	-6.2	-2.3	-8.7	-2.6
1.4 Other Taxes	1	-4.7	-19.2	-21.6	16.3	29.4	7.0
2. Non-tax	10	4.4	35.7	-5.8	-1.5	123.6	9.8
3. Total Revenue	100	7.3	8.7	2.9	4.5	9.6	2.4

Source: Fiscal Policy Office, Revenue Department

Export Growth (in terms of US$)

Jul 2007 = $ 11.7 Bn (6.6 %)   Aug 2007 = $ 13.8 Bn (18.4 %)

%YoY	2006	2007				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug
Agriculture	30.5	14.2	17.8	16.0	-7.1	10.3
Fishery	13.1	21.0	16.2	18.4	3.6	5.4
Manufacturing	16.1	19.5	19.6	19.5	8.3	19.3
Labor	6.8	9.0	3.8	6.4	4.3	10.9
High – tech	17.8	19.1	18.5	18.8	8.9	18.3
Resource	13.8	27.0	27.0	27.0	11.3	24.3
Total	17.2	18.9	18.8	18.9	6.6	18.4
Price	5.2	4.7	5.1	4.9	3.6	4.2
Quantity	11.3	13.6	13.1	13.3	2.9	13.6

Source: Constructed from data of Customs Department

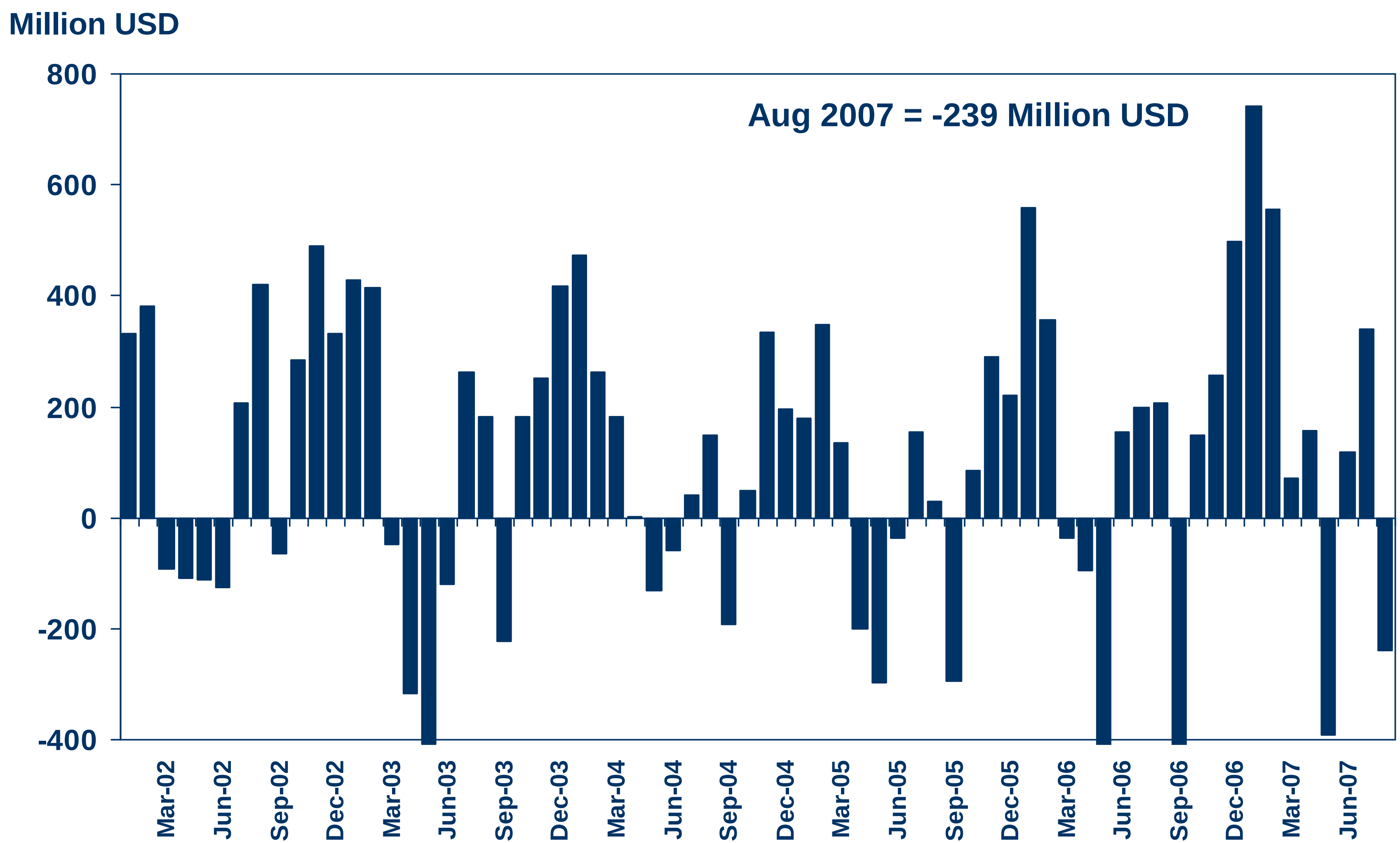
Import Growth (in terms of US$)

Jul 2007 = $ 11.7 Bn (3.8 %) Aug 2007 = $ 12.8 Bn (12.1 %)

%YoY	2006	2007				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug
Consumer	15.3	7.2	9.7	8.5	6.0	12.6
Raw material	5.6	15.3	12.2	13.7	6.9	17.4
Capital	5.5	-1.7	7.6	3.1	-0.8	11.4
Vehicles & parts	-5.8	2.1	17.9	9.9	14.9	18.2
Oil	20.3	-4.0	-2.9	-3.4	-12.8	12.3
Total	7.8	5.9	7.4	6.7	3.8	12.1
Price	6.5	3.4	3.4	3.4	4.2	3.5
Quantity	1.3	2.4	3.9	3.2	-0.4	8.3

Source: Constructed from data of Customs Department

Net Services and Transfers



Net Capital Flow

Millions of USD	2006P	2007P				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jun	Jul
Monetary authorities	**416**	**164**	**-930**	**-766**	**-246**	**79**
Government	**-567**	**-1,048**	**-859**	**-1,907**	**-335**	**16**
Bank	**-7,409**	**-4,658**	**-1,347**	**-6,005**	**10**	**-1,965**
Other sectors	**13,279**	**2,838**	**4,073**	**6,911**	**1,150**	**1,128**
Non – bank	13,616	2,920	3,958	6,878	1,030	1,163
FDI	10,031	2,579	1,565	4,144	256	554
Portfolio	1,642	778	2,080	2,858	1,009	1,215
- Foreign	(3,205)	(1,122)	(2,283)	(3,404)	(968)	(1,273)
-Thai	(-1,563)	(-344)	(-203)	(-547)	(41)	(-57)
Loans (foreign)	2,867	206	335	542	388	-259
Others	-925	-643	-22	-665	-623	-347
State enterprises	-337	-82	114	33	120	-35
Total capital flow	**5,719**	**-2,705**	**937**	**-1,768**	**578**	**-742**

Source: Constructed from data set

External Debt Outstanding

Billions of USD	1997 (Peak)	2006		2007			Change Jul 07 / Jun 07		
		H1	H2	Q1	Q2	Jul	Total	Flow	VC*
1. General Government	6.0	4.5	4.1	3.2	2.2	2.3	0.1	0.0	0.1
2. BOT	7.2	n.a	n.a	1.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0
3. Bank	39.2	6.9	6.7	6.4	6.2	6.6	0.4	0.3	0.1
3.1 Commercial Bank	9.1	5.6	6.7	6.4	6.2	6.6	0.5	0.4	0.1
3.2 BIBF	30.1	1.3	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	0.0	0.0	0.0
4. Other Sectors	56.9	46.3	48.8	49.0	49.9	50.5	0.6	0.5	0.1
4.1 State Enterprises	10.9	9.1	9.0	8.9	9.0	9.2	0.2	0.0	0.2
4.2 Private Enterprises	46.0	37.2	39.8	40.1	40.9	41.3	0.4	0.5	-0.1
Total	109.3	57.7	59.6	59.8	58.6	59.8	1.2	0.9	0.3
Long-term (%)	65.0	68.9	70.1	68.4	65.0	64.7			
Short-term (%)	35.0	31.1	29.9	31.6	35.0	35.3			

*valuation change

** Include investment in BOT bond by nonresidents since 2007

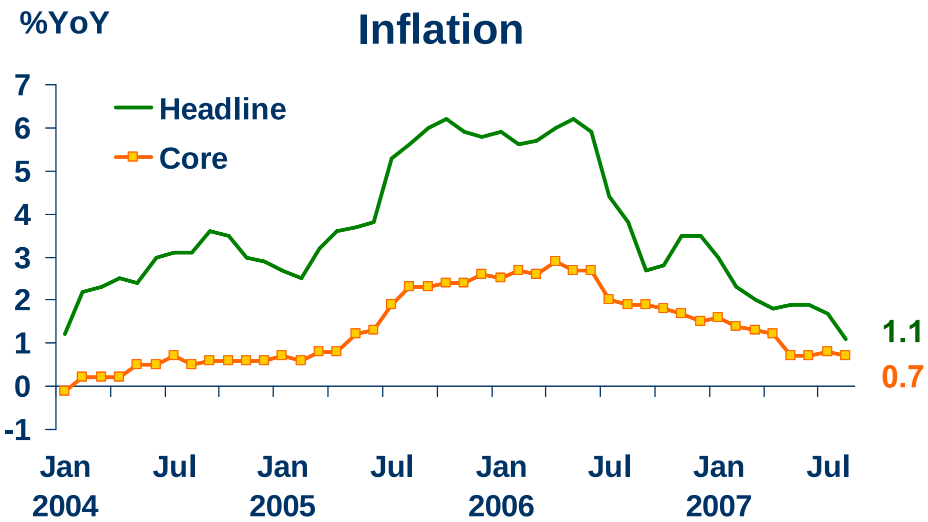
Balance of Payments

Billion USD	2006	2007				
		Q1	Q2	H1	Jul	Aug
Trade balance	1.0	3.6	1.5	5.1	0.04	1.0
Export	127.9	34.5	36.2	70.6	11.7	13.8
%YoY	(17.2)	(18.9)	(18.8)	(18.9)	(6.6)	(18.4)
Import	126.9	30.9	34.7	65.6	11.7	12.8
%YoY	(7.8)	(5.9)	(7.4)	(6.7)	(3.8)	(12.1)
Services & transfer	1.2	1.4	-0.1	1.3	0.3	-0.2
Current A/C	2.2	5.0	1.4	6.3	0.4	0.7
Net capital movement	5.7	-2.7	0.9	-1.8	-0.7	n.a.
Monetary authorities	0.4	0.2	-0.9	-0.7	0.1	n.a.
Government	-0.6	-1.0	-0.9	-1.9	0.02	n.a.
Bank	-7.4	-4.7	-1.3	-6.0	-2.0	n.a.
Others	13.3	2.8	4.1	6.9	1.1	n.a.
Overall balance	12.7	3.3	2.4	5.7	0.2	0.2
Reserves	67.0	70.9	73.0	73.0	74.0	74.4

Source: Compiled by Bank of Thailand

Internal Stability

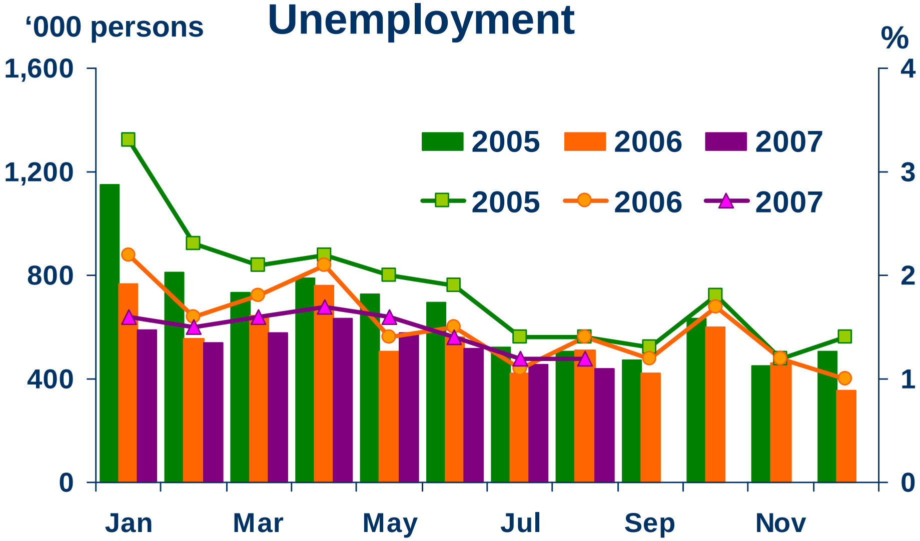
Inflation



Source: Ministry of commerce

(%YoY)	2005	2006	2007			
			Q1	Q2	Jul	Aug
Headline	4.5	4.7	2.4	1.9	1.7	1.1
Core	1.6	2.3	1.4	0.8	0.8	0.7

Unemployment

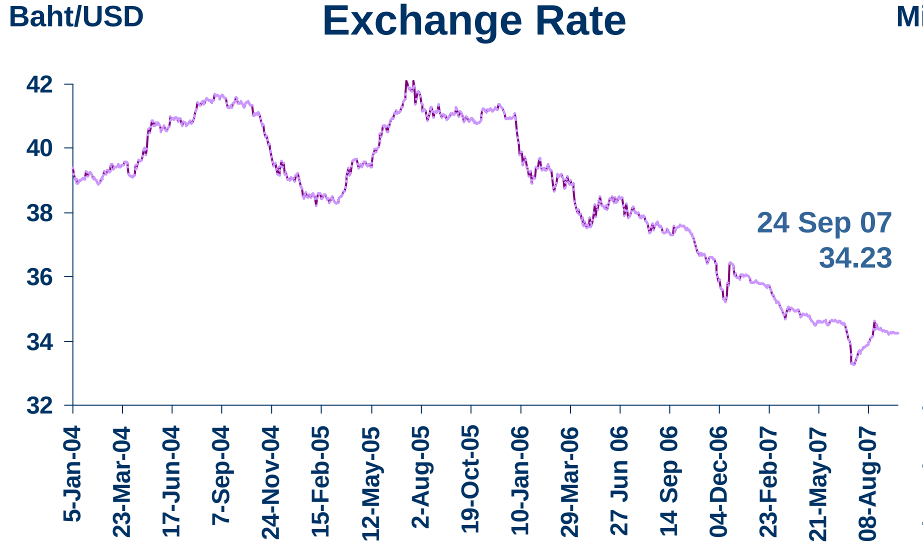


Source: NSO

Average	Aug		
	2005	2006	2007
'000 persons	503.4	508.6	440.7
Rate	1.4	1.4	1.2

External Stability

Exchange Rate



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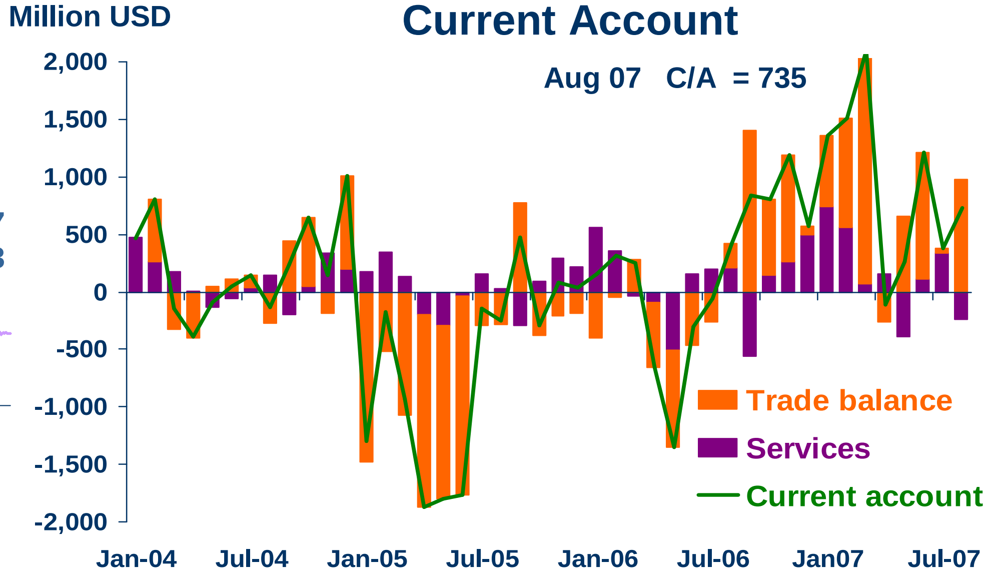
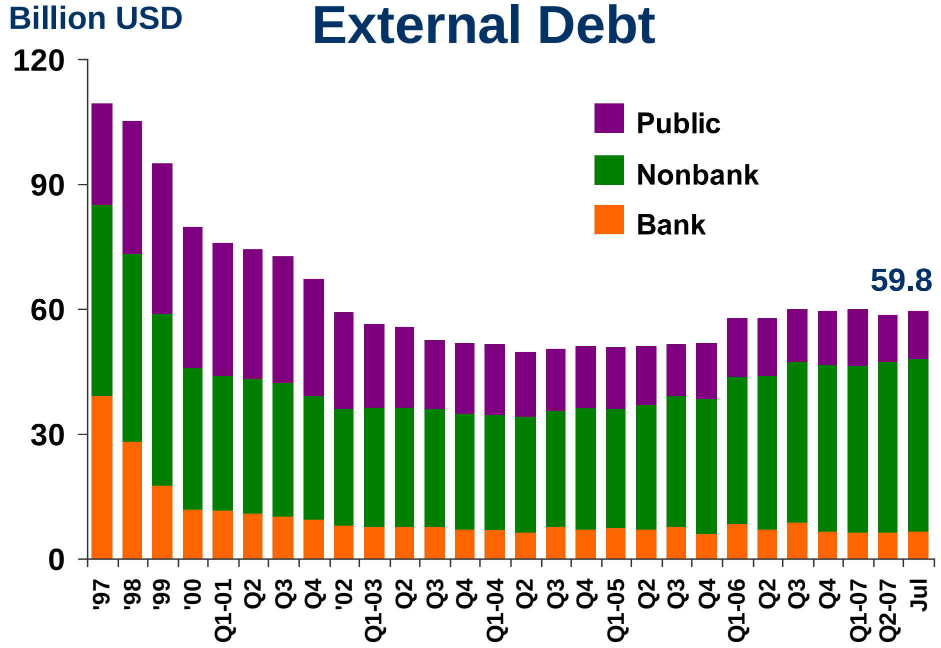


External Debt



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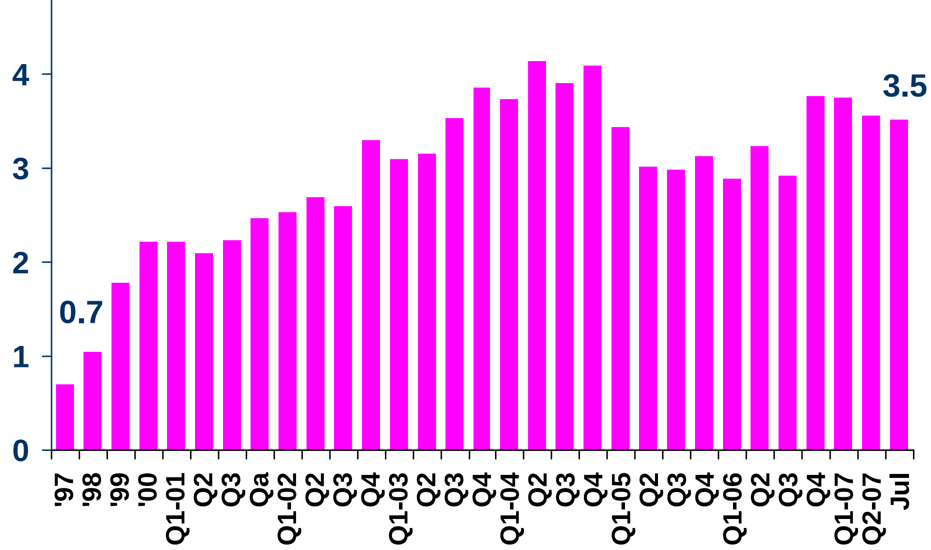
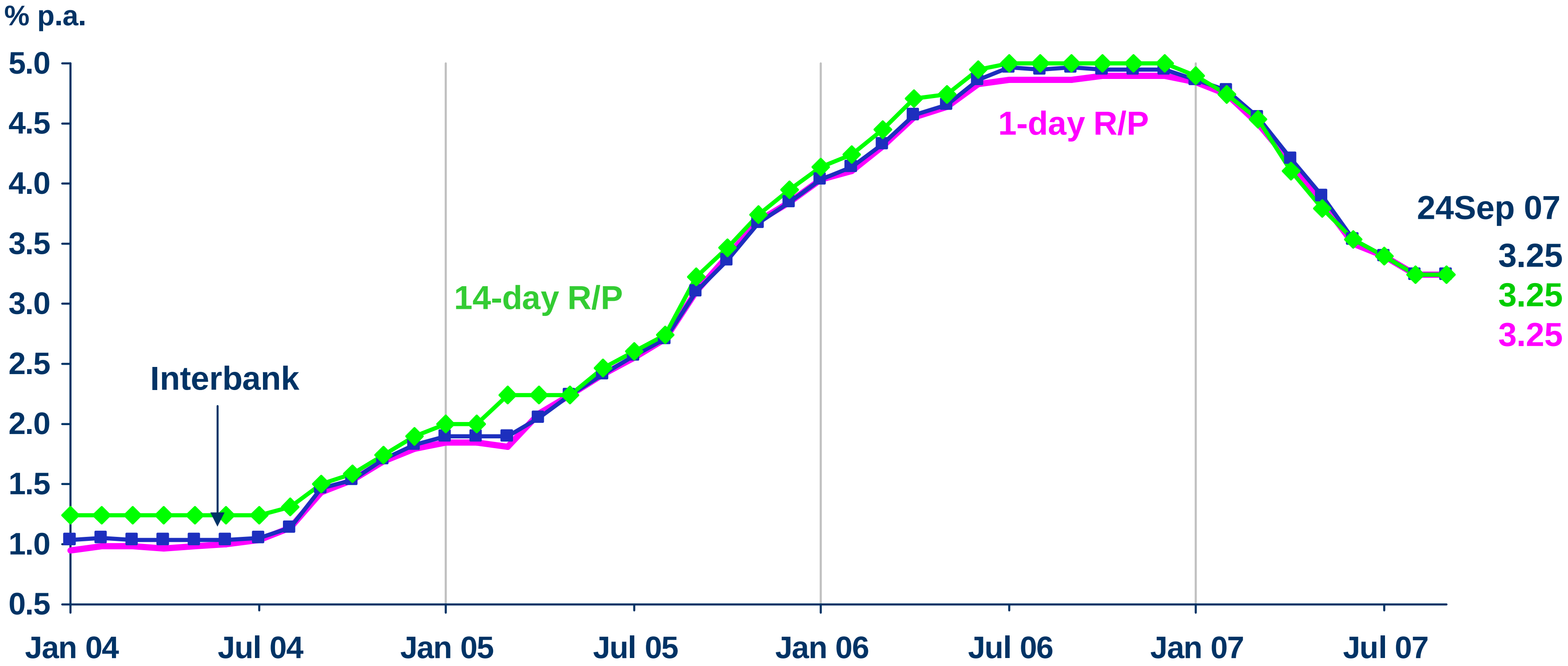


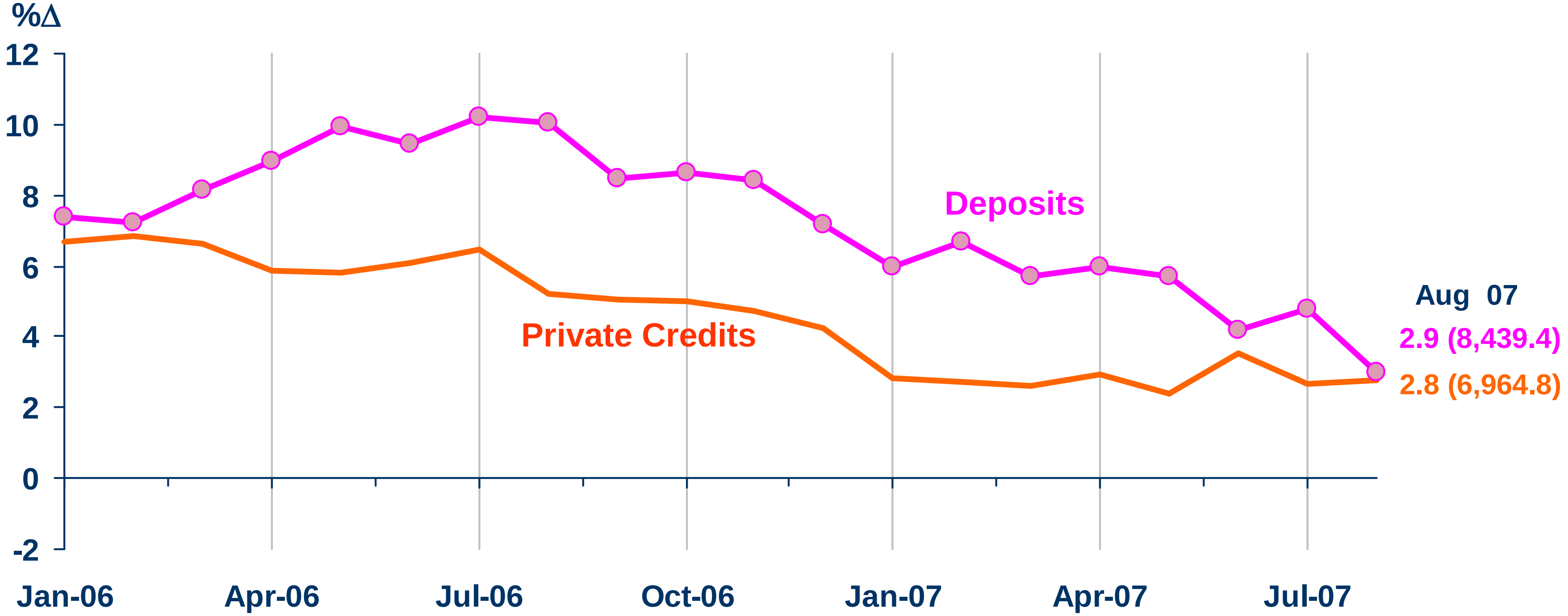
Money Market Rates

(Average over period)	2005	2006	Q1 07	Q2 07	Jun 07	Jul 07	Aug 07	1- 24 Sep 07
R/P 14 day	2.74	4.77	4.72	3.81	3.53	3.39	3.25	3.25
R/P 1 day	2.63	4.64	4.69	3.84	3.50	3.39	3.25	3.25
Interbank (mode)	2.64	4.69	4.73	3.88	3.54	3.39	3.25	3.25



Source: Bank of Thailand

Depository Corporations' Deposits and Private Credits



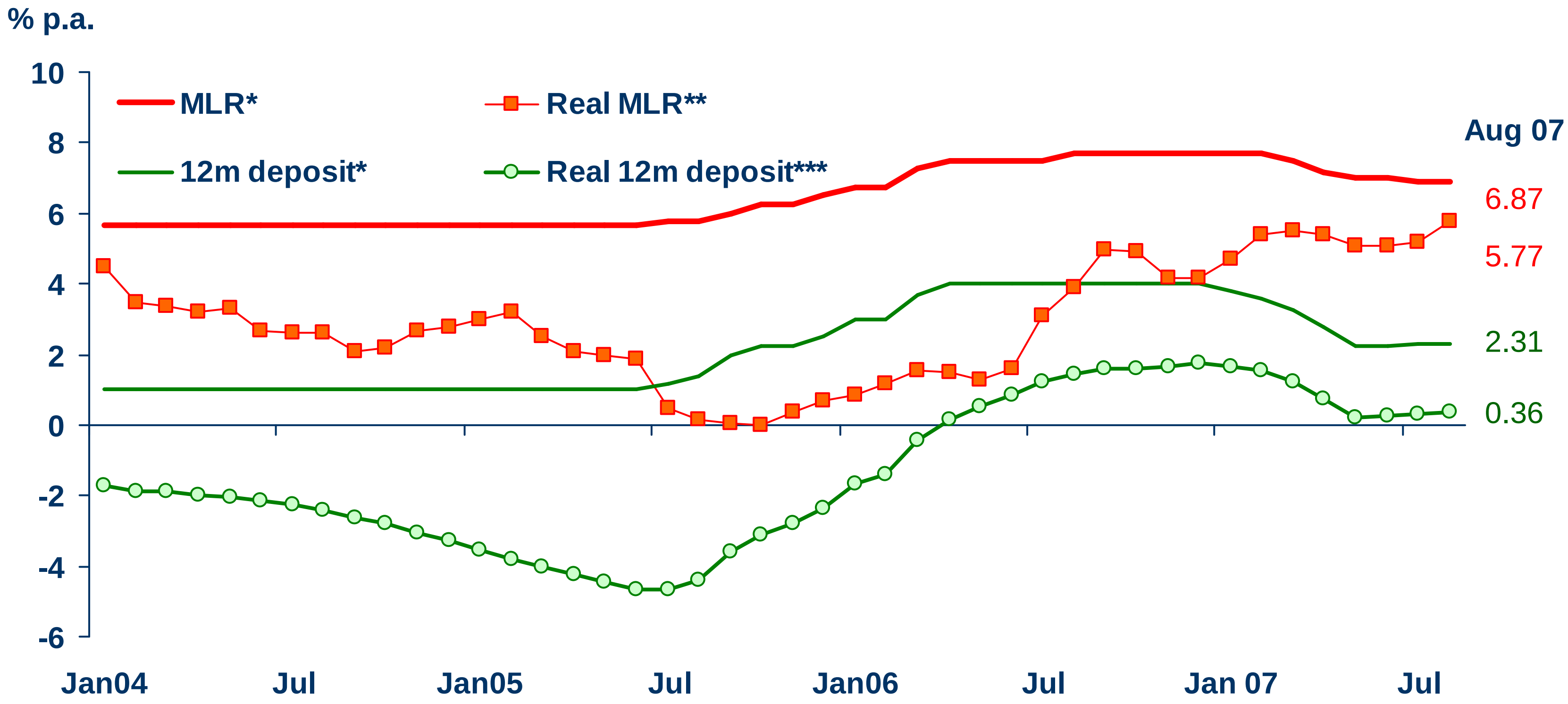
Change from end of previous period (billion baht)	2006	Q3/06	Q4/06	Q1/07	Q2/07	May 07	Jun 07	Jul 07	Aug 07
Δ Deposits	545.0	144.5	-7.8	233.6	-38.2	97.6	-245.6	186.2	-66.4
Δ Private credits	279.1	95.9	70.1	2.7	67.3	35.1	26.5	-14.3	27.7

Note: * Depository Corporations comprises of all depository corporations excluding the Bank of Thailand, namely, domestically-registered commercial banks, branches of foreign banks, international banking facilities, finance companies, specialized banks, thrift and credit cooperatives, and money market mutual funds.

Source: Bank of Thailand

Commercial Banks' Real Interest Rates

End-month	Dec 06	Mar 07	Apr 07	May 07	Jun 07	Jul 07	Aug 07
MLR	7.69	7.50	7.19	7.00	7.00	6.87	6.87
12-m deposit	4.00	3.25	2.75	2.25	2.25	2.31	2.31



* Interest rates quoted by 4 largest Thai banks
** Real MLR is adjusted by contemporaneous headline inflation.
*** Real 12m deposit is adjusted by expected headline inflation 12 months ahead.

Source : Bank of Thailand