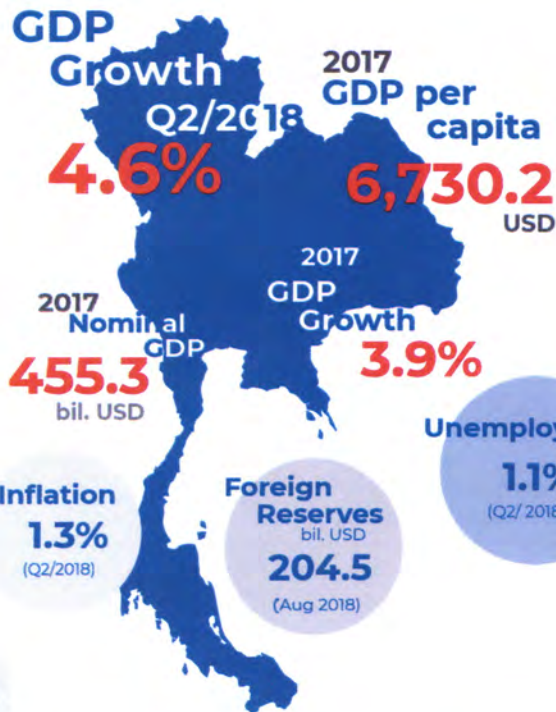


Thailand's Economic Factsheet



Economic Figures



2018 GDP Growth Forecast

NESDB	4.2-4.7
Bank of Thailand	4.4
Fiscal Policy Office	4.5
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Tourism

Top Tourists (Jan-Aug 2018)



Foreign Tourists (Jan-Aug 2018)

25.9 million (Jan-Aug 2018) vs **35.38** million (2017)

Trade Statistics (bil. USD)



	Export Value	Import Value	Trade Balance
Q2 2018	63.01	57.21	+5.8
H1 2018	124.8	112.36	+12.44
2017	235.3	201.1	+34.2



Exports

Top 10 Exports Destinations (Jan-Aug 2018)



Top 10 Exports (Jan-Aug 2018)

1. Auto Parts & Accessories
2. Computer, Equipment, & Parts
3. Precious Stones & Accessories
4. Rubber Products
5. Plastic Pellets
6. Chemical Products
7. Refined Fuels
8. Electronic Integrated Circuits
9. Machinery and Parts
10. Iron, Steel, & Products

Imports

Top 10 Import Origins (Jan-Aug 2018)



Top 10 Imports (Jan-Aug 2018)

1. Crude Oil
2. Machinery & Parts
3. Electrical Machinery & Parts
4. Chemical Products
5. Jewelry
6. Iron, Steel, & Products
7. Auto Parts & Accessories
8. Electrical Integrated Circuits
9. Other Metal Ores
10. Computer Equipment & Parts

THAILAND'S Eastern Economic Corridor

Core areas-Investment projects



Infrastructure Projects

- U-Tapao airport and aircraft maintenance
- Sattahip commercial seaport
- Laem Chabang port phase#3
- Map Ta Phut port phase#3
- High speed rail connecting 3 airports
- Double-track railway
- Highways and motorway



Industrial Promotion Zones

- Chachoengsao 1 estate - TFD 2
- Chonburi 12 estates
 - Yamato Industries
 - Amata city 1-2
 - Pinthong 1-5
 - Hemaraj Chonburi 1-2
 - Hemaraj eastern sea board 2-3
- Rayong 8 estates
 - Smart Park
 - Hemaraj eastern sea board 1,4
 - Hemaraj west (Map Ta Phut)
 - Eastern sea board (Rayong)
 - Hemaraj Rayong 36
 - Amata city
 - CP Rayong



Strategic Location

- ▶ Thailand's flagship special economic zone, located in Rayong, Chachoengsao and Chonburi
- ▶ Excellent infrastructure linkage (200 kms from Bangkok through motorway, Laem Chabang commercial port, Map Ta Phut industrial port, U-Tapao international airport)
- ▶ Incentives for investment in targeted industries
- ▶ Connect Indian Ocean with Pacific Ocean, CLMV, South China via multi-modal linkages and Free Trade Areas (FTAs)

11 Targeted Industries

First S-Curve



Next - Generation Automotive



Smart Electronics



Affluent, Medical and Wellness Tourism



Agriculture and Biotechnology



Food for the Future

New S-Curve



Robotics



Aviation and Logistics



Biofuels and Biochemicals



Medical Hub



Digital



National Defense

EEC Act (Entered into force on 15 May 2018)



- ▶ Permanent Administration
 - Policy Committee (28 persons) chaired by PM, includes 14 Ministers, Budget Bureau, NESDB, BOI, Board of Trade, FTI, TBA, and external experts
 - Secretary-General and EEC Office



- ▶ Clear Working Process
 - One-stop Service (OSS), EIA, PPP, Urban planning, and etc.
 - Special Economic Promotional Zone
 - Incentives (tax, visa / work permit and etc.)



- ▶ EEC Inclusivity
 - Integrated Plan, Budget and Fund for local development

Investment

Incentives

Maximum incentives for qualified investment projects

- ▶ Exemption of corporate income tax for up to 13 years
- ▶ Exemption of import duties
 - on machinery/raw or essential materials imported for use in production for export/R&D
- ▶ Matching Grants
 - for investment/R&D/innovation/human resources development in targeted industries.
- ▶ Permission to own land for BOI promoted projects
- ▶ Rights to lease land for 50 years
 - renewable upon approval for a further 49 years
- ▶ 17% personal income tax rate, the lowest rate in ASEAN
 - for foreign executives working for regional headquarters or international trading companies
- ▶ One-stop service center to facilitate foreign investors
 - provide useful information, and issue permits for trading, export and import, all in one location.
- ▶ Strategic Target Center (STC)
 - to attract investors, experts and scientists from around the world.

Special Promotion Zones



- EECi - Biopolis (for biotech research)
- Aripolis (for automation, robotic research)
- Space Innopolis (for aircraft, aerospace research)



- EECd - Data Center/Bigdata Analytic
- IoT Institute
- Satellite Station
- Submarine Cable Station
- 5G testbed
- Startup incubation/acceleration metro



- EEC-A - MRO Center
- Duty Free Zone
- Training Center
- Upgraded U-Tapao Airport

Targets

Combined Public and Private Investments at least 1.5 Trillion Baht (\$43 bil. USD) in the first 5 years

Priorities Projects (bil. Baht)

Double-track railway
64,800 million Baht (\$1.8 bil. USD)
- Study expected to complete by 2019
- Open for service by 2023

U-Tapao international airport
200,000 million Baht (\$5.7 bil. USD)
- To construct the second runway and taxiway under the framework of Eastern Airport City

Map Ta Phut port
10,150 million Baht (\$0.3 bil. USD)
- Under an environmental study
- Auction expected by end of 2019
- Open for service by 2024

Laem Chabang port
35,300 million Baht (\$1 bil. USD)
- Under an environmental study
- Auction expected by end of 2019
- Open for service by 2025

High-speed train connecting 3 airports
224,544 million Baht (\$7 bil. USD)
- Invitation to Tender released
- Open for service by 2023

Motorway
35,300 million Baht (\$1 bil. USD)

Tourism
200,000 million Baht (\$5.7 bil. USD)

New Cities / Hospitals
400,000 million Baht (\$11.5 bil. USD)

Industry
500,000 million Baht (\$14 bil. USD)

Invitation to Tender (tentative)

June 2018 July 2018 August 2018 September 2018 October 2018 November 2018

High Speed Rail Connecting the 3 airports

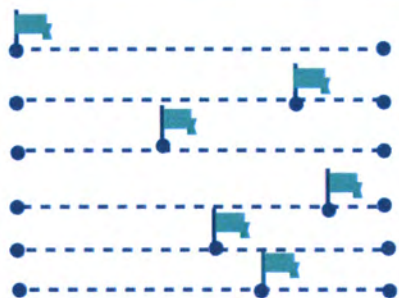
U-Tapao Airport and Airport City

U-Tapao Aircraft Maintenance Center (MRO)

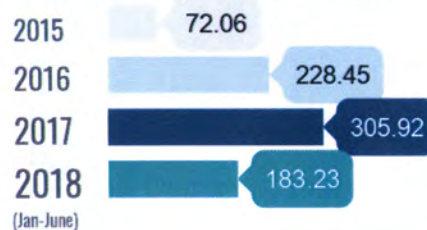
Map Ta Phut Industrial Port - Phase 3

LaemChabang Port - Phase 3

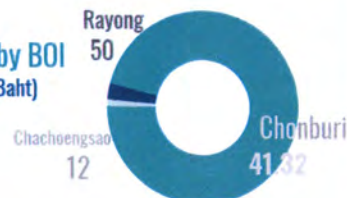
Digital Park Thailand (EECD)



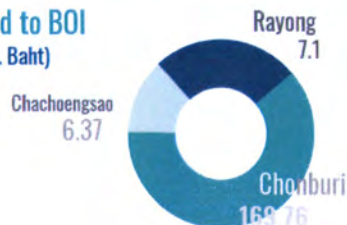
Total FDI application in EEC



Applications approved by BOI (Jan-June 2018 : bil. Baht)



Applications submitted to BOI (Jan-June 2018 : bil. Baht)



Foreign investors in EEC*



* Partial listing comprising of global companies that have expressed interests or already undertaken investment in EEC

Foreign Higher Educational Institutes in EEC

regulatory incentive for institutes/universities that meet the following criteria

- ▶ Certified by the QS World University Rankings by Subject / the Times Higher Education Subject Ranking
- ▶ Offer the same academic standards in EEC campus as in main campus
- ▶ Establish campus in EEC in collaboration with Thailand's higher educational institute
- ▶ Offer Vocational educational training or cooperative education programs such as:
 - WiL : Work Integrated Learning
 - DVT : Dual Vocational Training
 - CoE : Co-operative Education
 - EEC : Special vocational education project in EEC (Sattahip Model)

Smart Visa

- ▶ Eligibility
 - Foreigners working in targeted industries: (1) Talent (2) Investor (3) Executive / Venture capital (4) Startup
 - * including spouse and children of Applicants
 - * Open for Application from 15 January 2018
- ▶ Incentives
 - Work permit / Re-entry permit not required
 - Period of stay: 1 - 4 years
 - Spouse and children obtained the same rights as Applicants

Smart City

6 key components



- ▶ Extra incentives for Smart City System Development
 - 8 years CIT exemption (with cap) on income from smart services
 - Import duty exemption on machinery
 - Other incentives under the BOI announcement 2/2014

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INVESTMENT POLICIES

WHY

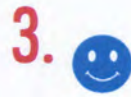
Thailand?



1. Strategic Location & Connectivity



2. Strong Economic Fundamentals



3. Business-friendly Environment



4. Excellent Infrastructure



5. Attractive Incentives

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

2017 (Jan.-Dec.) 2018 (Jan.-June.)

Total 818 433 projects

Value 282.7 69.6 bil. baht

Revised Investment Promotion Act (effective as of 25 Jan 2017)

Exemption of CIT up to 13 years for R&D, advance technology and innovation

50% reduction of CIT up to 10 years

Investment Tax Allowance

Special packages for targeted core technology

100-300 % tax deduction for R&D expenses and technology and workforce development

Competitiveness Enhancement Act (effective as of 14 Feb 2017)

Exemption of CIT up to 15 years

10,000 million Baht matching fund for targeted industries.

Import duty exemption.

All other privileges under old and revised IPA.

The EEC Act (entered into force on 15 May 2018)

Exemption from corporate income tax for up to 13 years and 17% personal income tax which is the lowest in ASEAN

Matching grants for investment, R&D, innovation, human resource development for targeted industries

Smart Visa Issuance for Talents, Foreign Investors, Foreign Executives and Startups.

International university establishment in high technology field.

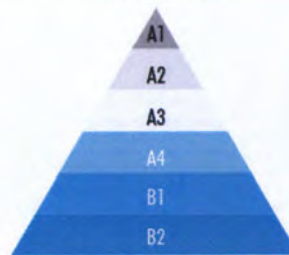
Incentives

Merit-based

Grant additional incentives to encourage investment that benefit the country or overall industry

1. Competitiveness Enhancement
2. Decentralization
3. Industrial Area Development

Activity-based



Classified incentives based on importance of activities

Tax and Non-Tax Incentives

including...

0 - 8 years of CIT Exemption

300% tax deduction on R&D investment

Smart Visa for investors/experts/startups

Exemption of import duties on machinery

Special Economic Zones (SEZ)

Super Clusters

+ many more

INCENTIVES - 8 years of CIT Exemption + 50% reduction for further 5 years



Food Innopolis



Digital Parks



Automotive and Parts



Eco-friendly Petrochemicals and Chemicals



Medical



Electrical Appliances, Electronics and Telecommunication Equipment

SEZ's border provinces

Chiang Rai
Tak
Kanchanaburi
Nong Khai
Nakhon Panhom
Mukdahan
Sa Keow
Trat
Song Khla
Narathiwat

The Royal Coast /Thailand Riviera

4 provinces : Chumphon, Ranong, Prachuap Khiri Khan and Phetchaburi

Tourism



Nature
Culture
History
Sport
Community

Focus on sustainable and eco-friendly tourism as well as attract high-end tourists to the area by rail and car

Vision : World's Leading Health Tourism Destination

Measures

1. Development of Hua Hin Airport
2. Golf Tourism
3. Community based
4. Infrastructure development (land, rail, air and water)

Targeted Industries

Each zone with different targeted activities depending on competencies

Other Clusters

INCENTIVES - 3-8 years of CIT Exemption + 50% reduction for further 5 years



1. Agricultural, fishery and targeted industries



2. Ceramic products



3. Textile, garment, and leather industries



4. Manufacture of furniture



5. Gems and jewelry



6. Medical equipment



7. Automotive, machinery and parts



8. Electrical appliances and electronics



9. Plastics



10. Medicine



11. Logistics

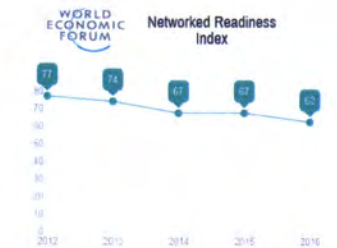
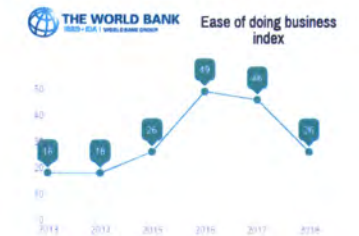


12. Industrial estates/zones



13. Tourism related industry

THAILAND'S INTERNATIONAL RANKING



Organisations

Indexes

Organisations	Indexes	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
World Bank Group	Ease of Doing Business Index	15/178	13/181	12/183	19/183	17/183	18/185	18/189	26/189	49/189	46/190	26/190
IMD World Competitiveness Center	World Competitiveness Yearbook Ranking	27/55	26/57	26/58	27/59	30/59	27/60	29/60	30/61	28/61	27/63	30/63
World Economic Forum	Global Competitiveness Index	34/134	36/133	38/139	39/142	38/144	37/148	31/144	32/140	34/138	32/137	
World Economic Forum	Global Competitiveness Index 4.0										40/135	38/140
Bloomberg	Misery Index								60/60	63/63	65/65	66/66
World Economic Forum	Networked Readiness Index	47/134	47/133	59/138		77/142	74/144	67/148	67/143	62/139		
United Nations	E-Government Development Index	64/183		76/184		92/191		102/193		77/193		73/193
US News	Best Countries to Start a Business									1/60	1/80	1/80
OECD	PISA Score								54/70 57/70 54/70			
Transparency International	Corruption Perceptions Index	80/180	84/180	78/178	80/182	88/174	102/175	85/174	76/167	101/176	96/180	
Cornell University, INSEAD and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)	The Global Innovation Index	44-130	60/132		48/125	57/141	57/142	48/143	55/141	52/128	51/127	44/126
Corporate Knights	Measuring Sustainability Disclosure						40/45	27/46	17/45	13/45	10/55	
The Telecommunication Development Sector (ITU-D)	The ICT Development Index	80/151		89/152		91/166	81/166		74/167	79/174	78/176	
US News	Best Countries to Invest In										7/80	8/25