Thailand's Economic Fact Sheet

21/05/2011

Key indicators*	2010	2011	2012 ^F
GDP (billions US\$)	318.8	345.6	373.3
GDP growth (%)	7.8	0.1	5.5 - 6.5
GDP per capita (US\$ per year)	4,719.8	5,112.0	5,497.3
Exports (billions US\$)	193.7	225.1	259.5
Exports growth (%)	28.5	16.4	15.1
Imports (billions US\$)	161.9	201.9	246.8
Imports growth (%)	37.0	24.7	22.3
Trade balance (billions US\$)	31.8	23.2	12.7
Current Account balance (billions US\$)	13.2	11.9	2.7
Current Account balance to GDP (%)	4.1	3.4	0.7
Inflation - CPI (%)	3.3	3.8	3.5 - 4.0

Source: NESDB (21/05/2012)			
Annual GDP growth forecasts	2011 ^F	2012 ^F	Time of forecast
Bank of Thailand	1.8%	6.0%	23/05/2012
Fiscal Policy Office	1.7%	5.0%	28/11/2011
IMF	3.5%	5.5%	04/2012
World Bank	2.4%	4.5%	23/05/2012
SCB	1.7%	5.6 - 5.8%	02/05/2012
ADB	2.0%	5.5%	11/04/2012

Economic conditions in May 2012/2

1.5%

4.5 - 6.0%

Percentage change (y-o-y)	03/12	04/12	05/12 ^P
Manufacturing Production Index (seasonally adjusted)	-3.0	1.0	5.9
Private Consumption Index	3.8	3.4	6.6
Private Investment Index	9.3	12.6	14.0
Capacity Utilization (seasonally adjusted)	63.8	68.3	73.3

Net FDI flows^p: 1.2 bil. USD; Net TDI* flows ^p: 0.9 bil. USD Government revenue: 12.1 bil. USD, -1.0% (y-o-y)

Government expenditure: 4.6 bil. USD

Farm income: -4.3% (y-o-y)

Kasikorn Bank

Economic stability

Inflation² (05/2012): Core inflation 1.95% (y-o-y); Headline inflation 2.53% (y-o-y)
Official foreign reserves² (05/2012): 171.7 bil. USD (2.8 times short-term foreign debt)

External debt^{/2} (05/2012): 120.3 bil. USD **Public debt**^{/4} (04/2012): 42.4% GDP

Unemployment rate² (04/2012), seasonally adjusted):0.8%

Doing Business 2011 - 2012⁷: #17 in the world; #3 in the Asia-Pacific Region

Structure of the GDP Supply side (2010)/1 % GDP Sector **Primary Sector (Agriculture and fishing)** 12.1 Secondary Sector (Manufacturing) 32.7 Electronics and computer 5.6 Petroleum products and chemicals 5.3 Automotives 3.1 Rubber and plastic products 2.5 1.8 Machinery and equipment 14.3 Other manufacturing **Tertiary Sector (Service)** 55.2 Wholesale and retail trade 13.3 Real estate and construction 8.9 Transport, logistics and telecommunications 7.5 Public administration, defense and 6.6 compulsory social security 5.4 Financial intermediation Hotels and restaurants 3.1 2.8 Electricity, gas and water supply Other services 7.6

Demand side (2011)

GDP component	Value (bil. USD)	% of GDP
Private consumption	190.4	55.1
Government consumption	46.4	13.4
Investment	91.6	26.5
Trade surplus	23.2	6.7
Change in inventories	-6.0	-1.7
GDP (2011)	345.6	100.00

External sector in May 2012/2

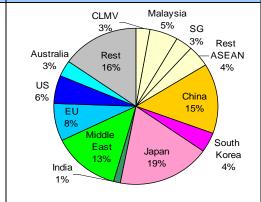
Exports: 20.6 bil. USD, +6.7% (y-o-y) Imports: 20.0 bil. USD, +16.8% (y-o-y) Current account balance: -1.5 bil. USD Average exchange rate: 31.36 THB/USD,

depreciated by 0.24% (m-o-m)

Foreign tourists: 1.54 mil., +9.4% (y-o-y)²

Export, by country (2011) ^{/6}		
Australia Rest 3% Rest 14% Rest 10% Rest 11% ASEAN 6% Middle Last 5% India 2% South Korea 2%		

Export by products (2010)	Share
Data Processing Machine	9.64%
Motor Cars, parts & accessories	9.07%
Precious Stone & Jewellery	5.97%
Electronic Integrated Circuits	4.13%
Rubber	4.04%
Refine Fuels	3.62%
Rubber products	3.29%
Polymers of Ethylene, etc	3.25%
Chemicals	2.96%
Rice	2.73%



Import, by country (2011)⁶

Import by products (2010)	Share
Crude Oil	13.11 %
Machinery & parts	9.17 %
Chemicals	6.90 %
Electrical Machinery & parts	6.67 %
Iron, Steel & products	6.43 %
Electrical Circuit Panels	5.90 %
Precious Stone, Jewellery & Gold	5.42 %
Computer, Accessories & parts	4.47 %
Other Metal Ores	4.12 %
Automobile parts	3.24 %

Financial data Interest rates^{/2}:

Policy interest rate: 3.00% (since 25/01/2011);

Average MLR (05/2012): 7.13%;

Average 12-m deposit rate (05/2012): 2.86%

Stock market/3

On 13/07/2012, SET index closed at 1210.29 points, increased by 18.04% (year-to-date)

Rating of Sovereign bonds

S&P: BBB+ stable / Fitch: BBB stable /

Moody's: Baa1 stable

Tax Rates^{/4}

Corporate Income Tax: 10 - 23% Withholding tax: 10 - 15% VAT: 7%

Source: /1 NESDB; /2 Bank of Thailand; /3 Stock Market Exchange of Thailand; /4 Ministry of Finance; /5 Ministry of Industry; /6 Ministry of Commerce; /7 World Bank

<u>Note:</u> **Green** = increase; **Red** = decrease from previous Fact Sheet; ^P = preliminary; ^F = forceact: *TDI = Thei Direct Investment

F = forecast; *TDI = Thai Direct Investment (Outward FDI from enterprises in Thailand)

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Thailand's Key Economic Indicators - May 2012

GDP 2011 Growth

0.1%

GDP per Capita (2011)

5.112.0 USD

GDP 2012 Growth Forecast

5.5 - 6.5%

GDP 2012 Projection

373.3 bil. USD

GDP per Capita (2012^F)

5,497.3 USD

Exports

20.6 bil. USD 6.7% (y-o-y)

Imports

20.0 bil. USD 16.8% (y-o-y)

Trade Balance

12.7 bil. USD

Corporate Income Tax

10 - 23%

Private Consumption Growth

6.6% (y-o-y)

Private Investment Growth

14.0% (y-o-y)

Headline Inflation

2.53%

Policy Interest Rate

3.00% (since 25/01/2011)

Official Foreign Reserves

171.7 bil. USD

equivalent to 2.8 times short-term foreign debt

Public Debt

42.4% of GDP

Unemployment Rate

0.8%

Tourist Number

1.54 mil. growth rate 9.4% (y-o-y)

Source: NESDB Economic Outlook, May 2012;

Bank of Thailand's Monthly Report 30 June 2012, for May 2012.