

Thailand: Key Indicators

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004e/	2005 p/	2006 p/	2004				2004		2005	
	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Output, Employment and Prices															
GDP (% change, previous year)	4.7501	2.1673	5.3	6.9	6.1	5.2	5.6	6.7	6.4	6.1	5.1	..	..	..	..
Industrial production index (2000=100)	100	102.72	111.9	127.2	141.3	..	..	142.3	136.0	140.0	146.9	144.5	149.4	143.5	138.4
(% change, previous year)	6.9342	2.7174	8.9	13.7	11.0	..	..	13.3	9.6	12.4	9.0	11.9	6.3	3.2	-1.6
Unemployment rate (%)	3.5925	3.3361	2.4	2.2	2.1	..	..	2.9	2.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	3.3	2.3
Real wage growth (%) 1/	-1.4	-0.57	-1.5	0.4	..	..	..	0.6	-1.1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Consumer price index (% change, previous year)	1.6632	1.636	0.6	1.8	2.8	..	..	2.0	2.7	3.3	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.7	2.5
Public Sector															
Government balance (% GDP) 2/	-2.4048	-2.1157	-2.2	0.6	0.3	2.6	2.4	0.6	2.5	0.3	-2.9
Domestic public sector debt (% GDP) 3/	56.9	57.6
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Foreign Trade, BOP and External Debt															
Trade balance (US\$ million)	5466	2494	2,739	3,759	1,682	236	-182	241	1,387	-78	813	-1,475	-596
Exports of goods (fob, US\$ million)	67889	63070	66,092	78,105	96,064	..	..	21,961	23,398	24,711	25,994	8,707	8,378	7,695	7,644
(% change, previous year)	19.521	-7.0984	4.8	18.2	23.0	..	..	21.9	24.6	25.4	20.3	22.0	16.7	11.6	5.9
Key exports: Rice and rubber (% change in US\$, previous year)	1.8328	-8.1149	15.8	37.1	32.6	..	..	23.4	55.2	38.4	21.1	19.1	6.2	17.9	-2.3
Imports of goods (cif, US\$ million)	62423	60576	63,353	74,346	94,382	..	..	21,725	23,580	24,470	24,607	8,785	7,565	9,170	8,240
(% change, previous year)	31.337	-2.9588	4.6	17.4	27.0	..	..	26.6	35.1	29.5	18.2	33.5	7.0	33.6	22.8
Current account balance (US\$ million)	9328	6205	7,008	7,965	7,289	5,156	4,287	2,158	635	1,472	3,024	591	1,369	-942	106
(% GDP)	7.5469	5.3533	5.5	5.6	4.4	2.7	2.1	5.2	1.6	3.7	7.0	..	..	..	..
Foreign direct investment, net (US\$ million) 4/	2813	3873	1,023	1,882	485	..	..	132	227	-354	480	11	350	44	..
Total external debt (US\$ million) 5/	79715	67509	59,459	51,783	51,077	..	..	51,461	49,821	50,701	51,077	50,699	..	51,181	..
(% GDP)	65.029	58.427	46.9	36.2	31.2	..	..	31.5	30.5	31.0	31.2	..	..	..	..
Short-term debt (US\$ million) 5/	14694	13389	11,919	10,904	11,435	..	..	11,505	10,464	11,449	11,435	..	..	..	..
Debt service ratio (% exports of goods and services) 6/	15.4	20.8	19.6	16.0	8.2	..	..	10.3	7.8	9.7	5.5	..	..	..	..
Reserves, including gold (US\$ million)	32661	33048	38,924	42,148	49,832	..	..	43,036	43,306	44,768	49,832	48,300	49,832	48,917	49,696
(months of imports of goods)	6.2787	6.5372	7.4	6.8	6.3	..	..	5.9	5.5	5.5	6.1	5.5	6.6	5.3	6.0
Financial Markets															
Domestic credit (% change, previous year) 6/	-8	-4.6	3.6	4.3	7.4	..	..	5.0	7.0	8.1	7.4	..	7.4	..	..
Short-term interest rate (average period) 7/	3	2.5	2.0	1.3	1.0	..	..	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Exchange rate (average period)	40.162	44.432	43.0	41.5	..	..	..	39.2	40.2	41.3	40.2	40.3	39.2	38.7	38.4
Real effective exchange rate (1990=100)	85.129	81.506	83.5	80.4	79.4	..	..	80.7	80.4	78.5	77.9	77.8	78.4	79.8	..
(% change, previous year)	-3.0483	-4.2561	2.5	-3.8	-1.3	..	..	1.0	1.1	-3.3	-3.9	-4.4	-2.4	-0.8	..
Stock market index (Dec 1996=100)	269.2	303.9	356.5	772.2	668.1	..	..	647.3	647.6	661.2	668.1	656.7	668.1	701.9	741.6
Memo: GDP (US\$ billion)	122.58	115.54	126.770	142.953	163.491	188.779	203.790	41.037	39.723	39.576	43.191	..	..	..	..

e = estimate
p = projection

1/ Average wage of employed person from Labour force survey, National Statistical Office.

2/ Cash balance of central government (fiscal year basis starting from Q4 of previous year to Q3 of current year).

3/ Include domestic central government (CG) debt, domestic debt of non-financial state enterprise and Financial institutions Development fund (FIDF) debt.

4/ Non-Bank FDI

5/ Source: Bank of Thailand

6/ Include those extended by financial institutions

7/ Average interest rates on time deposits of less than 6 months (percent per annum).