

Thailand: Key Indicators

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004e/	2005 p/	2006 p/	2004		2005					
	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
Output, Employment and Prices															
GDP (% change, previous year)		4.8	2.2	5.3	6.9	6.1	4.2	5.0	5.3	3.3	4.4	..	..	..	..
Industrial production index (2000=100)	100.0	102.6	111.8	127.3	141.4	..	..	146.8	147.9	147.2	..	150.6	146.9	148.3	..
(% change, previous year)		6.1	2.6	9.0	13.9	11.0	..	..	9.1	4.0	7.9	..	9.4	4.9	10.7
Unemployment rate (%)		3.6	3.3	2.4	2.2	2.1	..	..	1.5	2.5	2.0	..	1.9	1.4	1.4
Real wage growth (%) 1/		-1.4	-0.57	-1.5	0.4	-0.4	..	..	0.6	3.4	4.1	..	..	..	..
Consumer price index (% change, previous year)		1.7	1.6	0.6	1.8	2.8	..	..	3.1	2.8	3.7	..	3.8	5.3	5.6
Public Sector															
Government balance (% GDP) 2/		-2.2	-2.4	-1.4	0.4	0.1	..	..	-2.7	-1.0	4.8	..	..	..	..
Domestic public sector debt (% GDP) 3/		39.8	39.9	38.8	37.1	37.7	..	..	37.7	34.8	35.7	..	35.7	..	..
Foreign Trade, BOP and External Debt															
Trade balance (US\$ million)	5,466	2,494	2,739	3,759	1,235	..	..	1,103	-3,225	-5,239	..	-1,854	-338	-277	..
Exports of goods (fob, US\$ million)	67,889	63,070	66,092	78,105	94,941	..	..	25,610	24,684	26,300	..	9,155	9,349	10,116	..
(% change, previous year)		19.5	-7.1	4.8	18.2	21.6	..	..	18.5	12.6	13.8	..	12.1	18.6	25.5
Key exports: Rice and rubber (% change in US\$, previc	1.8	-8.1	15.9	37.1	32.5	..	..	21.0	5.5	-9.0	..	-20.0	-17.2	3.9	..
Imports of goods (cif, US\$ million)	62,423	60,576	63,353	74,346	93,706	..	..	24,507	27,909	31,539	..	-11,009	-9,687	-10,393	..
(% change, previous year)		31.3	-3.0	4.6	17.4	26.0	..	..	17.7	28.5	35.0	..	36.5	24.2	24.1
Current account balance (US\$ million)	9328	6205	7,008	7,965	6,640	-3,693	-4,088	2,769	-1,499	-4,710	..	-1,536	169	106	..
(% GDP)		7.5	5.4	5.5	5.6	4.0	-2.1	-2.1	6.4	-3.3	-11.0	..	..	..	..
Foreign direct investment, net (US\$ million) 4/	2813	3873	1,023	1,882	835	..	..	830	281	1,134	..	499	424	..	..
Total external debt (US\$ million) 5/	79,715	67,509	59,459	51,783	51,312	..	..	51,312	50,647	50,632	..	..	..	..	..
(% GDP)		66.7	56.1	48.8	40.3	35.5	..	..	35.5	34.0	33.1	..	..	..	..
Short-term debt (US\$ million) 5/	14,694	13,389	11,919	10,904	12,174	..	..	12,174	14,180	16,034	..	..	..	..	..
Debt service ratio (% exports of goods and services) 6/		15.4	20.8	19.6	16.0	8.5	..	..	6.5	13.8	8.1	..	..	..	..
Reserves, including gold (US\$ million)	32,661.3	33,048.4	38,924	42,148	49,832	..	..	49,832	48,681	48,357	48,528	48,357	48,414	49,382	48,528
(months of imports of goods)		6.3	6.5	7.4	6.8	6.3	..	..	6.1	5.2	4.6	..	4.4	5.0	4.8
Financial Markets															
Domestic credit (% change, previous year) 6/		-8	-4.6	3.6	4.3	7.4	..	..	7.4	6.8	6.1	..	..	..	..
Short-term interest rate (average period) 7/		3.0	2.5	2.0	1.3	1.0	..	..	1.0	1.0	1.2	..	1.4	1.4	1.8
Exchange rate (average period)		40.2	44.4	43.0	41.5	40.2	..	..	40.2	38.6	40.0	..	40.9	41.7	41.1
Real effective exchange rate (1994=100)		82.3	78.1	79.6	78.0	77.7	..	..	76.2	79.1	78.4	..	77.6	77.8	78.5
(% change, previous year)		-3.4	-5.1	2.0	-2.1	-0.3	..	..	-3.6	-0.2	-0.6	..	-0.2	1.1	2.6
Stock market index (Dec 1996=100)	269.2	303.9	356.5	772.2	668.1	..	..	668.1	681.5	675.5	723.2	675.5	675.7	697.9	723.2
Memo: GDP (US\$ billion)	110.8	115.5	126.8	143.0	163.5	176.9	190.4	43.2	45.0	42.9	..	..	..	..	..

e = estimate

p = projection

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

2/ Cash balance of central government.

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).