



THAI ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL UPDATE

for August 2023

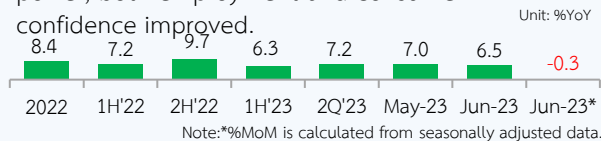
Highlight:

Thailand's economy continues to recover. The tourism sector improved in line with the number of Thai and foreign tourists. Meanwhile, the manufacturing sector declined in line with the drop in export value. Private consumption and investment slowed down after accelerating last month.



Private Consumption

Private consumption indicators fell slightly from the previous month as most categories declined following the end of the temporary support provided by the election, the postponement of government welfare payments and the acceleration of car deliveries. In terms of household purchasing power, both employment and consumer confidence improved.



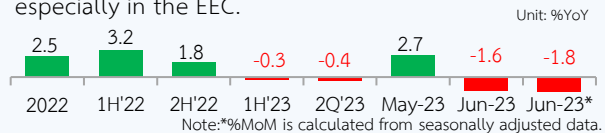
Farm Income

Farm income declined due to lower prices for agricultural products such as rubber, oil palm and livestock while total production remained stable.

Item (%YoY)	Farm Income		Agricultural Price		Agricultural Production	
	May-23	Jun-23	May-23	Jun-23	May-23	Jun-23
Agriculture	-8.0	-6.0	-2.6	-6.0	-5.6	0.0
Paddy	39.6	34.1	12.4	8.1	24.2	24.1
Rubber	-30.1	-26.5	-27.9	-27.7	-2.9	1.6
Durian	-16.2	0.5	42.5	19.1	-41.2	-15.6
Palm kernel	-49.9	-44.9	-47.7	-43.9	-4.2	-1.8
Swine	-10.0	-15.1	-16.5	-22.0	7.8	8.8

Private Investment

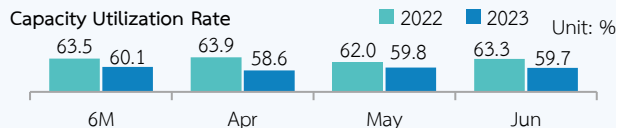
Private investment indicators after seasonal adjustment decreased from the previous month, mainly due to a decline in imports of capital goods and a drop in investment in the construction sector due to the sale of construction materials. On the other hand, the permitted construction area in the industrial and factory sector continued to increase, especially in the EEC.



MPI and Capacity Utilization (Cap-U)

Industrial production continued to decline in line with a slowdown in demand from trading partners. However, petroleum production returned to normal following a refinery outage last month.

MPI (%YoY)	2022	1H23	May-23	Jun-23	%MoM
Overall MPI	0.4	-4.6	-3.0	-5.2	-2.5
Petroleum	8.7	3.9	-2.0	1.6	2.0
Food	2.2	-1.2	-1.0	-4.7	-5.0
Electrical appliances	-5.9	-11.3	-8.9	-12.4	-11.1



Exports

- In June, exports contracted for the ninth consecutive month as trading partners' economies slowed due to inflationary pressures and high interest rates. As a result, production and consumption was slowed.
- In 1H2023, Thailand's exports fell by 5.4%YoY to USD 141.2 bn due to a decline in all major export markets amid the global economic slowdown. However, the recent depreciation of the baht has improved the competitiveness of exporters.

Market	Share (%) Jan-May 23	Jan-Jun 2023		Jun-23	
		USD Mn	%YoY	USD Mn	%YoY
Total	100.0	141,170	-5.4	24,826	-6.4
ASEAN	23.8	33,601	-9.9	5,557	-20.1
U.S.A.	16.4	23,128	-3.6	4,212	-4.8
China	12.6	17,766	-3.7	3,452	4.5
EU	9.5	13,385	-0.4	2,173	-6.4
Japan	8.9	12,516	-1.3	2,156	2.6
Australia	3.9	5,441	0.0	1,160	17.5

Commodity Price & Exchange Rate	Jan-Jun 2023		Jun-23	
	Price	%YoY	Price	%YoY
Dubai oil price (USD/bbl)	78.7	-23.3	74.7	-35.5
Gold price (USD/troy oz)	1,933.3	3.2	1,942.9	5.8
Exchange rate (THB/USD)	34.2	1.4	34.9	-0.1
NEER index	120.1	3.2	119.3	3.5

Domestic Vehicle Sales

In June, total car sales were down 5.2%YoY due to a decline in sales of commercial vehicles, particularly 1-ton pickup, which were down 33.8%YoY, due to tight credit underwriting by financial institutions, which remain concerned about the slow economic recovery and high household debt levels. However, passenger car sales continued to perform well with 24.2%YoY, albeit from a low base due to the microchip shortage last year.

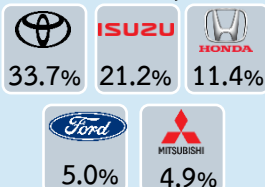
Domestic vehicle sales, 6M2023

Total Vehicle Sales



406,131 Units
-5.0%YoY

Market Share By Brand



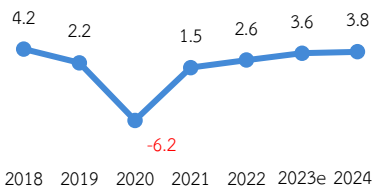
By Model

- 1 Isuzu D-Max 19.8%
- 2 Toyota Hilux 16.3%
- 3 Toyota Yaris ATV 7.5%
- 4 Honda City 6.5%
- 5 Ford Ranger 4.2%

In the first half of 2023, domestic car sales decreased by 5.0%YoY to 406,131 units, mainly due to a decline in commercial vehicle sales. However, in terms of models, the pickup group remained the most popular, with the Isuzu D-Max taking the highest market share at 19.8%, followed by the Toyota Hilux at 16.3% and the Toyota Yaris ATV at 7.5%.

Domestic Vehicle Sales by Body Type	Jan-Jun 2023		Jun-23	
	Unit	%YoY	Unit	%YoY
Passenger car	148,087	9.0	24,333	24.2
Commercial car	258,044	-11.4	40,107	-17.1
Pickup 1 ton	149,685	-24.5	22,139	-33.8
SUV	54,210	31.4	8,720	26.9
Other	54,149	4.4	9,248	14.9
Overall	406,131	-5.0	64,440	-5.2

Thai GDP Forecast by BOT (%YoY)



%YoY	2021	2022	2023e	2024e
Private Consumption	0.3	6.3	4.4	2.9
Government Consumption	3.2	0.2	-2.8	1.1
Private Investment	3.3	5.1	1.7	4.9
Public Investment	3.8	-4.9	2.5	6.8
Value of Merchandise Exports	18.8	5.5	-0.1	3.6
Headline Inflation (%)	1.2	6.1	2.5	2.4

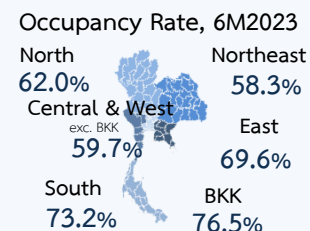
Tourism

Foreign tourist arrivals in the first half of 2023 continued to grow well following the increase in tourists of various nationalities. In particular, Asian countries by Malaysian, Chinese, South Korean and Indian tourists, as well as the return of Russian tourists. Nevertheless, global tourism continues to be affected by the slowing global economy. Including geopolitical conflicts in the South China Sea area and the Russia-Ukraine conflict.

International tourist arrivals, 6M2023



The average hotel occupancy rate nationwide was 68.6% in the first half of 2023, improved from the same period last year, following the increase in both Thai and foreign tourists, with the region with the highest occupancy rate in June was Bangkok. Because it is a major tourist destination popular with foreign tourists.



Export of Goods

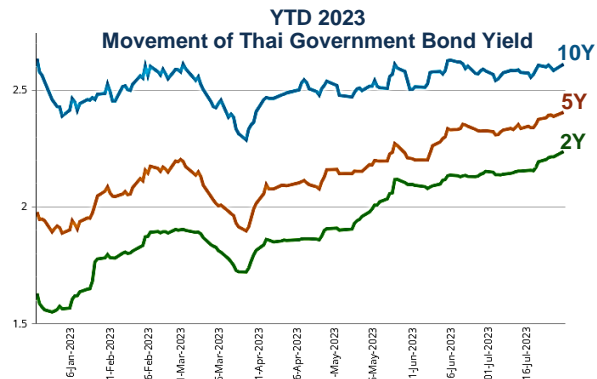
For Jun 2023

Major products	Share Jan-Jun 2023 (%)	Jan-Jun 23		Jun-23	
		USD million	%YoY	USD million	%YoY
Total exports	100.0	141,170	-5.4	24,826	-6.4
Agriculture	9.8	13,877	-3.2	2,568	-7.4
- Rice	1.6	2,224	20.9	328	-15.0
- Rubber	1.2	1,746	-38.9	261	-43.0
- Tapioca	1.4	2,033	-18.8	271	-16.7
- Fruits	3.0	4,204	18.9	1,078	14.2
- Fishery	0.5	760	-6.5	141	-6.0
Agro-industrial	8.3	11,758	-2.3	1,966	-10.2
- Prepared or preserved seafood	1.2	1,696	-10.6	286	-16.7
- Cane sugar and molasses	1.7	2,338	28.2	395	31.3
- Wheat products and other food preparations	0.8	1,189	-4.7	201	-8.1
- Beverages	0.8	1,067	5.2	191	8.3
Manufacturing	78.1	110,190	-5.3	19,317	-4.6
- Automotive	13.6	19,191	4.9	3,413	11.4
- Electronics	15.7	22,231	1.5	4,404	0.2
- Electrical appliances	10.7	15,130	0.7	2,542	3.2
- Precious stones and jewelry	5.3	7,512	-14.1	929	-17.3
- Unwrought gold	2.2	3,163	-35.0	192	-65.9
- Rubber products	4.8	6,783	-6.5	1,157	-6.9
- Petro-chemical products	3.2	4,502	-24.6	768	-22.2
- Chemicals	3.0	4,224	-18.0	744	-14.3
- Machinery & equipment	3.0	4,232	-6.1	822	0.1
- Apparels & Textile	2.2	3,039	-14.4	508	-17.9
- Metal & steel	2.4	3,343	-11.3	650	-9.0
Mining & Fuel	3.8	5,346	-17.8	975	-25.5

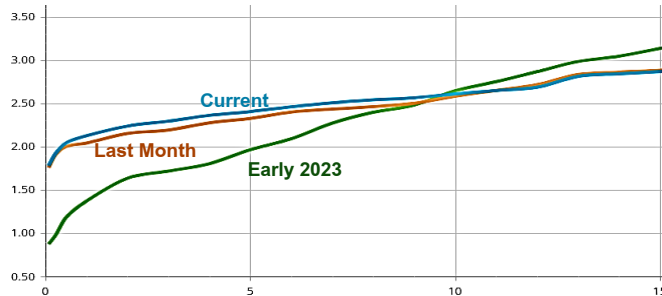
Products	Jun-23	
	USD million	%YoY
Automotive	3,413	11.4
- Passenger car	934	14.3
- Pick up and trucks	716	2.9
- Motorcycle	290	5.1
- Spark-ignition reciprocating internal combustion	517	45.7
- Parts & accessories	843	3.8

Products	Jun-23	
	USD million	%YoY
Electronics	4,404	0.2
- Computer parts	1,879	-20.1
- HDD	1,009	-36.5
- Electronic integrated circuits	872	5.3
- Telecommunication	607	43.4
- Semi-conductor devices, transistors, diodes	422	68.7

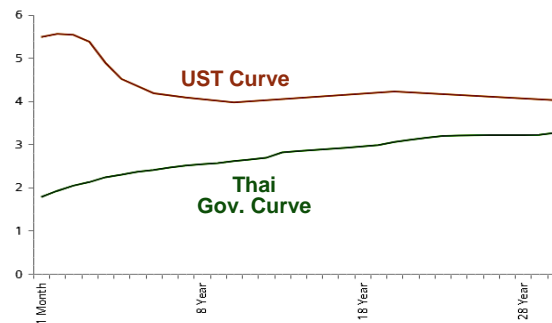
Thai Fixed Income Market



Shift in Thai Government Yield Curve Beginning of 2023 versus Current

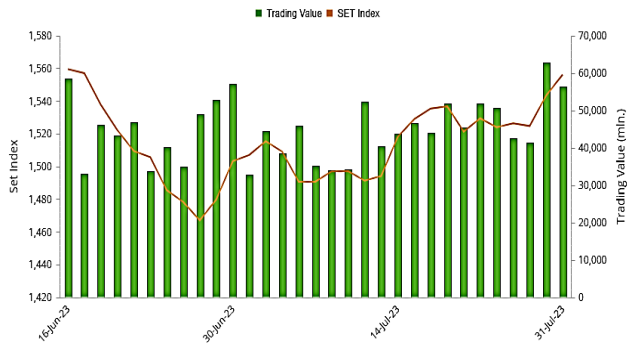


Thai Government Yield Curve versus US Treasury Yield Curve

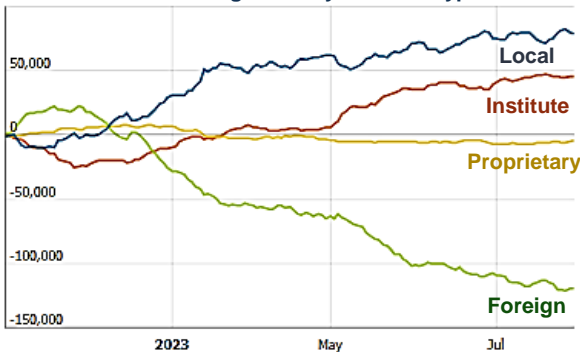


Thai Equity Market

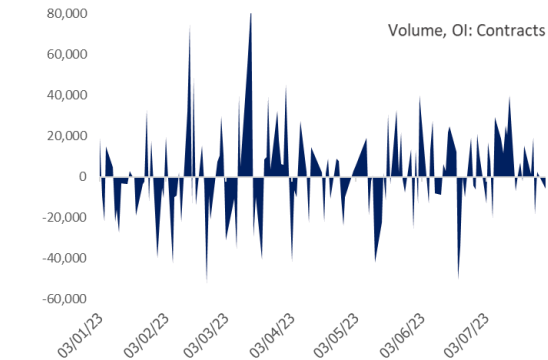
SET Index Movement & Trading Value



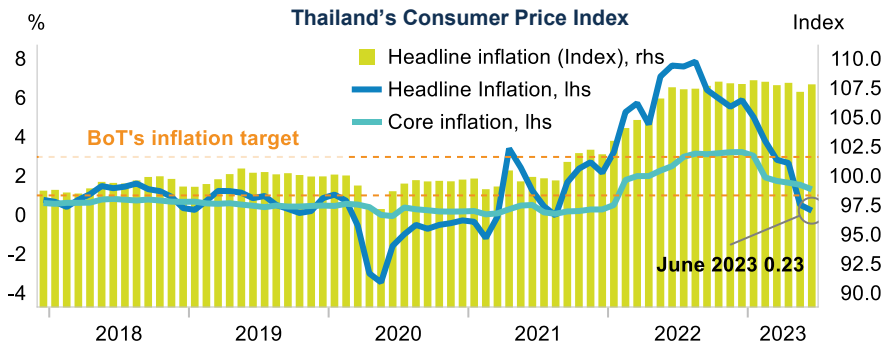
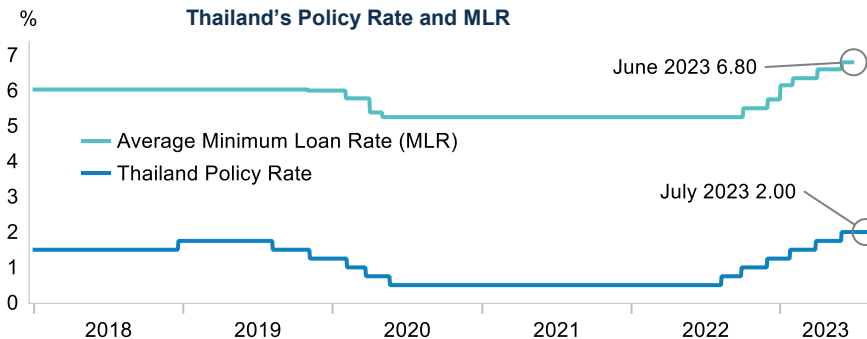
YTD - SET Trading Value by Investor Type



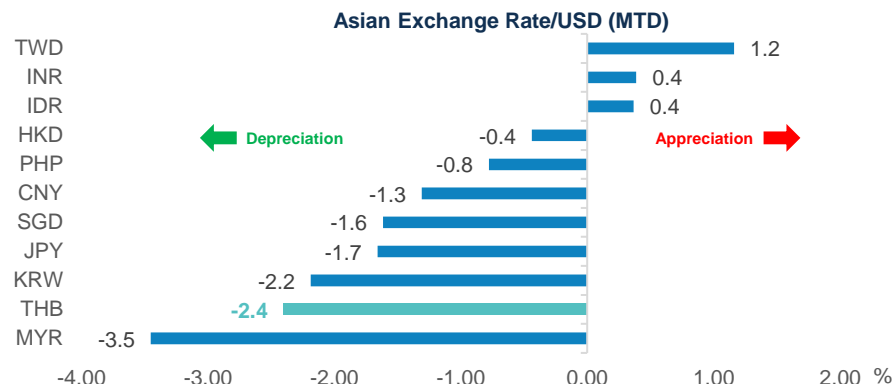
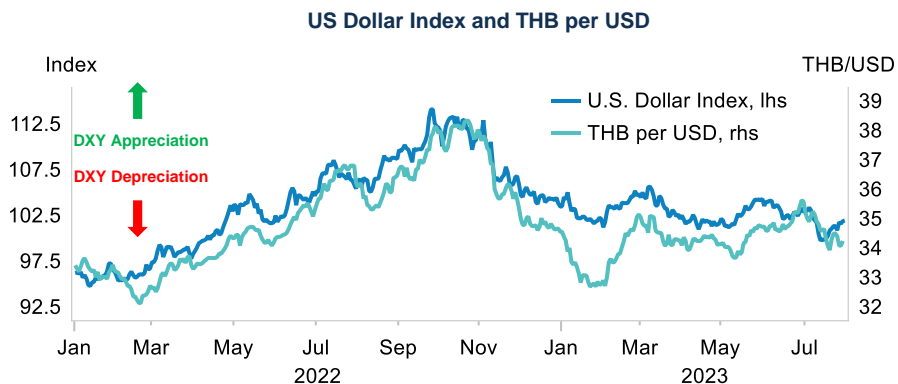
YTD - TFEX Net Volume of Foreign Investor



Policy Rate and Inflation



Exchange Rate



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