# Economic Update For November 2022



# Highlight:

The Thai economic recovery in November remained intact with clearer signs of a recovery in tourism and consumer sentiment. The better-than-expected tourist arrivals during the period helped stimulate the service sector, resulting in the accelerating hotel occupancy. Meanwhile, private consumption indicators in all categories increased after flooding eased. However, exports had been affected by the global economic slowdown, which also put pressure on manufacturing production and private investment.

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## Private Consumption

Private consumption indicators after seasonal adjustment increased from the previous month in all categories, thanks to the easing flood situation, higher foreign tourist arrivals, as well as improving employment and consumer confidence. However, a high cost of living still put pressure on private consumption.



4Q'21 1Q'22 2Q'22 3Q'22 Aug-22 Sep-22 Oct-22 Nov-22 Nov-22\* Note:\*%MoM is calculated from seasonally adjusted data.

#### Farm Income

November farm income rose 16.0%YoY, representing continued growth for 11 consecutive months, in correspondence with rising agricultural prices, especially livestock, paddy, and fruits.

lte	ltem (%YoY)		ncome	~	Iltural Agricultura		
			Nov-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Oct-22	Nov-22
	Agriculture	22.2	16.0	18.3	13.2	3.3	2.4
BBB	Paddy	34.1	28.3	30.0	29.9	3.1	-1.2
	Cassava	25.5	19.8	25.2	18.3	0.3	1.3
	Rubber, RSS3	-11.8	-11.5	-5.1	-17.1	-7.1	6.8
ġ	Durian	25.3	450.6	51.5	51.5	-17.3	263.4
الأسيريك	Swine	48.6	38.1	53.6	42.8	-3.3	-3.3
Ş	Fowl	42.8	29.2	41.1	27.9	1.2	1.0

# Private Investment

Private investment indicators after seasonal adjustment decreased from the previous month, due to lower investment in machinery and equipment, which was in line with a fall in manufacturing production as some factories, especially oil refineries, shut down for maintenance.



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## MPI and Capacity Utilization (Cap-U)

**November MPI fell by 5.6%YoY** as oil refineries were shut down for maintenance while the global economic slowdown had an adverse impact on exporters. Under these circumstances, capacity utilization stood at 62.6%, down from 65.2% in the same period last year.

	MPI (%YoY)	1H'22	3Q'22	Oct-22	Nov-22	%MoM
	Overall MPI	0.5	8.1	-4.0	-5.6	1.6
a	Automotive	2.6	35.8	10.1	13.0	10.9
Ī	Petroleum	14.5	17.3	-9.4	-20.6	-6.2
Q	Hard disk drive	-21.4	-32.4	-41.1	-47.7	-10.7
-	<b>ty Utilization Rate</b> 63.0 56.3 63.7	2021 <b>6</b> 1.1 63		2 3.1 59.8	65.2	Unit: % 62.6
11	.M Aug	Sep		Oct	N	ov

#### Exports

- In November, exports declined by 6.0%YoY to USD 22,308 mn due to the global economic slowdown, marking the second straight month of contraction. Major products contracted in almost all groups, except automobile and electronics.
- In 11M2022, exports remained robust with a healthy growth of 7.6%YoY to USD 265,349 mn, supported by the baht depreciation.

Market	Share (%)	Jan-Nov	2022	Nov-	22	
Market	Jan-Nov 22	USD Mn	%YoY	USD Mn	%YoY	
Total	100.0	265,349	7.6	22,308	-6.0	
ASEAN	25.2	66,907	13.4	5,472	-9.5	
U.S.A.	16.4	43,569	15.3	3,633	1.2	
China	12.0	31,831	-6.5	2,697	-9.9	
Japan	9.3	24,612	7.3	2,222	3.3	
EU	8.6	22,872	-0.2	2,024	-4.6	
Middle East	3.7	9,831	23.5	941	9.6	
Commodi	ty Price	Jan-Nov	2022	Nov-22		
& Exchan	ge Rate	Price	%YoY	Price	%YoY	
Dubai oil price (	(USD/bbl)	98.9	44.5	86.3	8.1	
Gold price (USE	)/troy oz)	1,800.9	0.0	1,725.1	-5.3	
Exchange rate (	THB/USD)	35.1	10.2	36.4	10.1	
NEER index		115.2	-2.5	115.9	0.3	

Sources: BOT, OAE, MOC, World Bank, and OIE

Note: MPI stands for Manufacturing Production Index

# Domestic vehicle sales

November vehicle sales fell by 4.8%YoY to 68,284 units as consumers postponed their buying decision to wait for the attractive sales promotions at the 39<sup>th</sup> Motor Expo held during the final month of the year. However, considering total vehicle sales in 11M2022, 766,589 units were sold, up 14.7%YoY, on the back of strong demand for pickup trucks with Isuzu D-Max being the bestselling model. Domestic vehicle sales, 11M2022

Total Vehicle Sales	Market Share By Brand	By Model
	🛞 ISUZU 🕼	1 Isuzu D-Max 22.4%
	33.7% 25.3% 9.7%	2 Toyota Hilux 18.0%
		3 Honda City 5.7%
766,589 Units	MITSUBISHI	4 Toyota Yaris 3.6%
+14.7%YoY	6.0% 4.5%	5 Ford Ranger 3.6%

By body type, passenger car sales in November were down 14.8%YoY to 20,266 units while commercial vehicle sales posted a flat growth of 0.2%YoY to 48,018 units. The big hit model of the month after flooding was SUVs as people were considering SUVs because of high ground clearance, spacious cabins, and practicality.

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Domestic Vehicle	Jan-Nov	/ 2022	Nov	Nov-22		
Sales by Body Type	Unit	%YoY	Unit	%YoY		
Passenger car	240,455	9.4	20,266	-14.8		
Commercial car	526,134	17.4	48,018	0.2		
Pick up 1 ton	352,807	13.0	29,182	-11.9		
SUV	72,928	22.3	7,899	48.5		
Other	100,399	31.3	10,937	15.6		
Overall	766,589	14.7	68,284	-4.8		

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				•			Private Consumption	0.3	6.1	3.4	3.2
4.2	2.2		15	3.2	3.7	3.9	Government Consumption	3.2	-0.2	-1.4	0.8
~	<b>-</b> a	<b>( )</b>	1.5		_0_	<b></b> 0	Private Investment	3.3	5.1	3.4	4.0
		-6.2					Public Investment	3.8	-1.5	1.8	7.0
		0					Value of Merchandise Exports	18.8	7.4	1.0	2.6
2018	2019 2	2020	2021	2022e	2023e	2024e	Headline Inflation (%)	1.2	6.3	3.0	2.1

%YoY

Thai GDP Forecast by BOT (%YoY)

# Tourism

Thailand recorded 8.91 million foreign tourist arrivals in 11M2022, bringing full-year target of 10.5 million arrivals likely to be exceeded. So far this year, Malaysia has been the country's biggest source market, with 17.4% share of total tourists. From a revival of tourism, the revenue growth of the service sector such as the hotel, restaurants, and retail sectors also performed well.

International tourist arrivals, 11M2022



The average occupancy rate of hotels nationwide in 11M2022 was at 45.9%, fueled by a surge in both foreign arrivals and domestic travelers. Tourism in the West posted the highest occupancy rate, driven by short-haul destinations reachable by car.

Occupancy rate, 11M2022 North 51.3% West 56.4% South 40.6% Northeast 47.2% East 49.3% BKK 40.5%

2021 2022e 2023e 2024e



11M'22 (%) 100.0 9.3 1.3 1.8 1.5 2.0 0.6 8.0 1.3	USD million 265,349 24,679 3,553 4,890 4,030 5,252 1,546 21,212	%YoY 7.6 3.5 17.4 -3.6 14.1 -8.7 -0.8	USD million 22,308 1,985 378 325 299 330 139	%YoY -6.0 -4.5 -4.7 -34.2 0.8 7.5 -3.1
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13	,	20.6	1,746	1.0
1.5	3,520	11.0	319	-2.1
1.2	3,070	113.8	191	42.9
0.9	2,313	9.1	224	13.0
0.7	1,826	3.0	161	7.1
78.6	208,445	6.5	17,882	-5.1
12.9	34,344	-0.9	3,452	2.5
15.4	40,951	5.8	3,665	0.9
10.2	27,143	5.6	2,423	1.3
5.5	14,538	57.7	869	-16.0
2.6	7,023	92.7	181	-54.4
4.8	12,814	-3.5	1,115	1.4
3.8	10,032	-2.5	775	-21.3
3.4	8,945	0.4	698	-23.7
3.0	8,068	9.1	671	1.7
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Products	USD million	%YoY
Automotive	3,452	2.5
- Passenger car	1,107	5.7
- Pick up and trucks	760	13.0
- Motorcycle	331	17.9
- Spark-ignition reciprocating internal combustion	330	-25.5
- Parts & accessories	803	-0.9
	Nov-22	
Products	Nov-22 USD million	%YoY
Products		
	USD million	0.9
Electronics	USD million 3,665	0.9 -21.0
Electronics - Computer parts	USD million <b>3,665</b> 1,439	%YoY 0.9 -21.0 -31.8 4.0
Electronics - Computer parts - HDD	USD million <b>3,665</b> 1,439 684	<b>0.9</b> -21.0 -31.8

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