# Economic Update For July 2022



### Highlight:

The economic recovery in July recovered at a slower pace from last month due to several risk factors including the volatile global economy, the ongoing Russia-Ukraine war, and the high cost of living. However, the recovering tourism sector remained a key engine driving the economic growth during the period.

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#### Private Consumption

Private consumption indicators (PCI) in July after seasonal adjustment slightly declined by 0.2%MoM, noting that PCI remained in recovery mode supported by improving household consumption in line with employment, income, and consumer confidence.



Note:\*%MoM is calculated from seasonally adjusted data.

#### Farm Income

July farm income kept rising by 19.3%YoY, thanks mainly to the acceleration of agricultural prices, especially in livestock and rubber prices.

lte	m (%YoY)	Farm Income		Agricultural Price		Agricultural Production	
		Jun-22	Jul-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Jun-22	Jul-22
	Agriculture	18.3	19.3	11.1	18.0	6.5	1.1
B	Paddy	98.2	179.1	9.8	12.7	80.5	147.5
AB	Cassava	7.6	73.5	34.5	37.8	-20.0	25.9
) All	Maize	91.6	30.0	30.3	25.1	47.1	3.9
	Palm kernel	59.7	12.6	62.3	9.9	-1.6	2.4
	Rubber, RSS3	10.8	17.1	9.9	15.6	0.8	1.3
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#### Private Investment

Private investment indicators in July after seasonal adjustment decreased from the previous month in machinery and equipment. However, investment in construction gradually improved as reflected by the increase in permitted areas for construction.



3Q'21 4Q'21 1Q'22 2Q'22 Apr-22 May-22 Jun-22 Jul-22 Jul-22\* Note:\*%MoM is calculated from seasonally adjusted data.

#### MPI and Capacity Utilization (Cap-U)

July MPI went up by 6.4%YoY, with Cap-U standing at 61%, as producers received more electronic parts from overseas suppliers, attributing the increase mainly to the commercial vehicle, IC and semiconductor production.

	MPI (	%YoY)		1H'22	Jun-22	Jul-22	%MoM
	Over	all MPI		0.5	-0.2	6.4	-0.2
- <u>-</u>	Automot	ive		2.6	3.2	22.1	3.2
	IC and se	emicondu	uctors	6.6	1.8	10.4	4.1
Ē	Petroleu	m		14.5	18.4	12.7	18.4
Capacit	ty Utilizat	ion Rate					Unit: %
63.6	63.4	64.9	62.3	63.8	62.5	58.1	61.0
7M'21	7M'22	May-21	May-22	Jun-21	Jun-22	Jul-21	Jul-22

#### Exports

- In July, exports grew at a slower pace in accordance with the slowdown in trading partners' demand. This was seen particularly in exports of metals after demand from China's real estate sector softened.
- Thai exports in 7M2022 rose by 11.5%YoY. A major contribution was the export of agricultural, agro-industrial products, electronics and electrical appliances.

Market	Share (%)	Jan-Jul	2022	Jul-2	22	
Market	Jan-Jul 22	USD Mn	%YoY	USD Mn	%YoY	
Total	100.0	172,814	11.5	23,629	4.3	
ASEAN	25.3	43,699	18.7	6,404	22.6	
U.S.A.	16.1	27,746	18.1	3,742	4.7	
China	12.3	21,208	-2.6	2,755	-20.6	
EU	9.0	15,639	6.5	2,188	9.3	
Japan	8.5	14,695	0.5	1,980	-4.7	
Australia	3.7	6,408	0.1	969	19.9	
Commodi	ty Price	Jan-Jul	2022	Jul-22		
& Exchan	ge Rate	Price	%YoY	Price	%YoY	
Dubai oil price	(USD/bbl)	103.2	60.3	106.5	45.9	
Gold price (USD	)/troy oz)	1,853.5	2.6	1,732.7	-4.2	
Exchange rate (	THB/USD)	34.1	9.8	36.3	1.1	
NEER index		115.8	-3.7	112.7	-2.7	

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

#### Domestic vehicle sales

July new car sales jumped 22.1%YoY to 64,033 units, thanks to further easing Covid-19 restrictions and last year's low base. In 7M2022, new car sales surged 15.4%YoY to 491,329 units. However, high cost of living and high level of household debt pose threats to the medium-term outlook.

#### Domestic vehicle sales, 7M2022



Sales of all vehicle segments increased with double-digit growth rate even in the middle of rainy season, which was recognized as the low season. By body type, commercial car sales grew at a faster pace than that of passenger cars. This was attributed to the acceleration of farm income.

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	Domestic Vehicle	Jan-Jul	2022	Jul-	22
	Sales by Body Type	Unit	%YoY	Unit	%YoY
	Passenger car	155,117	13.2	19,224	15.2
	Commercial car	336,212	16.5	44,809	25.3
	Pick up 1 ton	228,070	13.3	29,814	18.7
	SUV	48,414	20.2	7,144	57.1
	Other	59,728	27.1	7,851	29.0
	Overall	491,329	15.4	64,033	22.1



2018 2019 2020 2021 2022e

)	%YoY	2021	2022e
	Private Consumption	0.3	4.9
	Government Consumption	3.2	-1.9
	Private Investment	3.3	5.4
	Public Investment	3.8	3.5
	Value of Merchandise Exports	18.8	7.9
	Headline Inflation (%)	1.2	6.2

#### Tourism

In 7M2022, the number of foreign arrivals tallied 3.2 million people, up 5,377%YoY, generating THB 122.9 billion in revenues. The tourism business saw further improvement from the new flow of tourists following the country's full reopening on July 1 including the abolishment of the Thailand Pass entry scheme as well as less cross-border restrictions.

International tourist arrivals, 7M2022

No. of Foreign Arrivals	Total Revenues	Top 5 Nationalities Visiting Thailand
Î.	62	
3,204,177 Persons	122,883 THB Mn	Malaysia         India         Singapore         The UK         The US           13.1%         10.7%         5.8%         5.1%         4.7%
+5,376.9%YoY	+1,576.0%YoY	
		Occupancy rate, 7M2022

The average occupancy rate of hotels nationwide in 7M2022 reached 40.3%, mostly driven by rising demand from the Indian and ASEAN markets, as well as the recovery of domestic tourism still playing a vital role in supporting the hotel business.

Major products	Share	Jan-Jul 22	2	Jul-22	
Major products	7M'22 (%)	USD million	%YoY	USD million	%YoY
Total exports	100.0	172,814	11.5	23,629	4.3
Agriculture	9.6	16,662	7.8	2,340	-0.3
- Rice	1.2	2,127	29.2	290	21.5
- Rubber	1.9	3,328	5.7	471	12.0
- Таріоса	1.6	2,789	18.9	289	-10.1
- Fruits	2.4	4,173	4.1	638	-19.7
- Fishery	0.6	954	1.9	141	-3.3
Agro-industrial	8.1	14,066	29.3	2,067	38.1
- Prepared or preserved seafood	1.3	2,222	12.4	326	16.4
- Cane sugar and molasses	1.3	2,187	152.2	403	258.9
- Wheat products and other food	0.8	1,461	10.2	211	12.5
- Beverages	0.7	1,180	-3.3	167	6.4
Manufacturing	77.8	134,371	9.0	17,981	0.1
- Automotive	12.3	21,256	-5.9	2,929	-3.0
- Electronics	14.6	25,262	4.4	3,343	-6.6
- Electrical appliances	10.1	17,401	5.7	2,365	5.0
- Precious stones and jewelry	5.7	9,826	77.2	1,080	2.8
- Unwrought gold	3.1	5,339	133.6	477	-12.4
- Rubber products	4.9	8,398	-4.4	1,140	-4.4
- Petro-chemical products	4.0	6,840	8.4	870	-10.0
- Chemicals	3.5	5,977	10.6	823	-3.0
- Machinery & equipment	3.0	5,178	14.1	682	5.4
- Apparels & textile	2.4	4,128	11.5	575	6.5
- Metal & steel	2.5	4,304	11.4	558	-6.5
		7,715	44.0	1,242	47.2



	Jul-22	
Products	USD million	%YoY
Automotive	2,929	-3.0
- Passenger car	818	-11.3
- Pick up and trucks	594	22.9
- Motorcycle	245	-15.8
- Spark-ignition reciprocating internal combustion	373	3.2
- Parts & accessories	782	-8.5
	Jul-22	
Products	Jul-22 USD million	%YoY
Products Electronics		%YoY -6.6
	USD million	
Electronics	USD million 3,343	-6.6
Electronics - Computer parts	USD million <b>3,343</b> 1,446	<b>-6.6</b> -19.8
Electronics - Computer parts - HDD	USD million 3,343 1,446 661	<b>-6.6</b> -19.8 -39.9

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