

# Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note

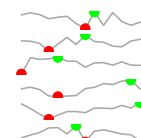


## Thailand

GDP (US\$ billions) (2016)	Population (millions) (2016)	Income per capita (current US\$) (2016)	Poverty rate (2012)	Unemployment rate (2014)
446.29	68.15	6,548.98	0.06	0.90

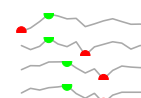
### Macro Indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
GDP growth (annual %)	4.27	7.32	2.81	0.87	2.46	1.97
Current account balance	3.06	-0.37	-0.90	3.31	4.60	4.59
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	-0.59	-1.83	-0.18	-1.82	-1.94	-2.25
Remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	0.86	1.19	1.35	1.40	—	—
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	97.90	99.40	103.35	99.98	106.42	106.23
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	2.71	3.01	2.18	1.90	-0.50	1.80



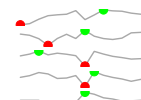
### Investment indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Gross domestic investment (% GDP)	24.5	26.0	25.1	24.2	24.3	24.0
Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1]	25.9	28.2	27.5	24.1	—	—
Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]	3.0	2.3	3.3	3.1	—	—
Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]	12.2	9.8	NA	—	—	—



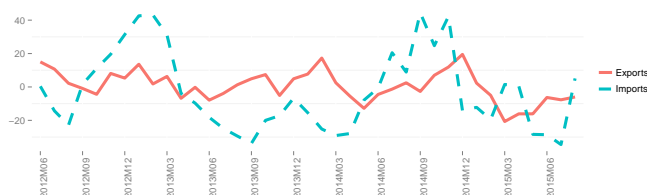
### Trade Indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	133.655	153.275	152.204	146.968	144.110	143.536
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	4.619	2.263	3.285	7.254	7.614	7.936
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	6.737	5.077	2.777	0.044	0.800	1.800
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	8.005	5.968	1.384	-5.369	0.100	1.300
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	6.875	7.342	6.585	6.678	—	—



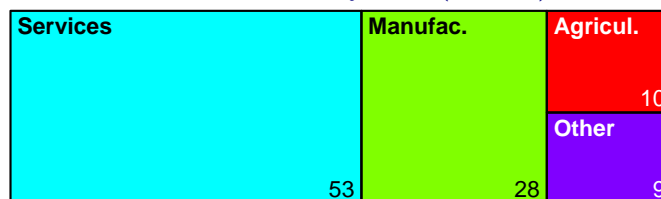
Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

### Goods Export and Import volume growth, 2012-2015



Source: Development Prospects Group (DECPG)

### Gross Value Added by Economic Activity 2013 (% GDP)

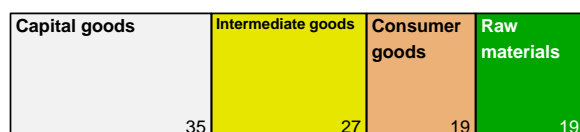


Source: World Development Indicators (WDI)

### Top 5 Exports by % of Total Value, 2014

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### Imports Categories by % of Total Value, 2014



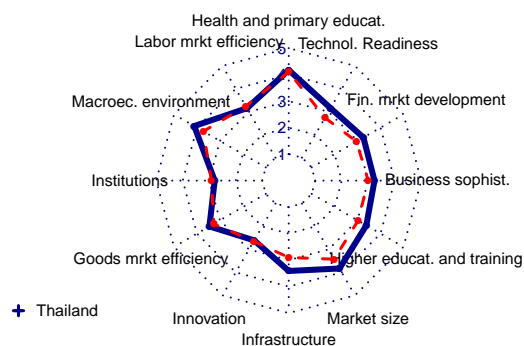
Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

### Doing Business 2015 Ranks (among all countries)

	DB 2015 Rank	DB 2016 Rank	Change in Rank
Dealing with Construction Permits	47	39	8
Ease of Doing Business Rank	46	49	-3
Enforcing Contracts	57	57	0
Getting Credit	90	97	-7
Getting Electricity	11	11	0
Paying Taxes	62	70	-8
Protecting Minority Investors	33	36	-3
Registering Property	57	57	0
Resolving Insolvency	45	49	-4
Starting a Business	91	96	-5
Trading Across Borders	55	56	-1

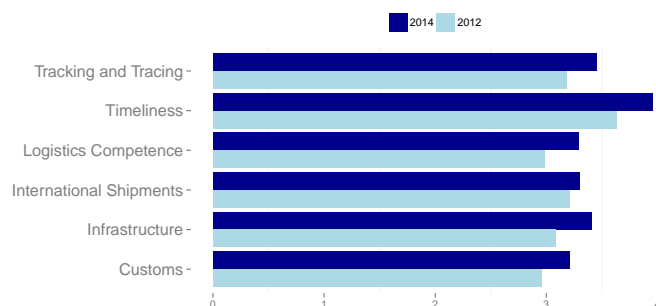
Source: Doing Business Report 2015

## WEF Competitiveness Indicators (Scale 1-5, 5=best)



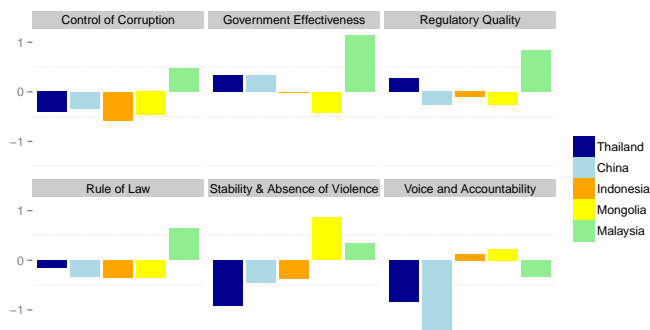
Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

## Logistics Performance Index (Scale 1-5, 5=best)



Source: Logistics Performance Index (World Bank)

## World Governance indicators (Std. score, High=best)



Source: Worldwide Governance Indicators

## Trade Policy

	2010	2014
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	10.6	8.4
Binding (%)	75.4	75.2
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	13.6	18.9
Import duties collected (% 2011-2013) [1]	—	1.3
MFN Tariff (Agriculture)	23	31.1
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	8	8.1
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	9.6	11.2
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	—	75.0

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

## Private Sector's Views

### Enterprise Survey 2013

	Thailand	East Asia and Pacific	All Countries
Number of electrical outages in a typical month	1.30	3.50	6.30
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit	72.50	35.00	34.30
Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)	53.00	12.80	14.30
Proportion of investment financed internally (%)	28.20	74.70	71.80
Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%)	0.40	6.70	9.90

Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

### Top 5 constraints according to ES 2013 (% respondents)

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### Top 5 constraints according to WEF 2015 survey (% respondents among 88 executives)

Government instability/coups -	18.1
Corruption -	12.5
Inefficient government bureaucracy -	12.3
Policy instability -	12
Inadequate supply of infrastructure -	8.6

Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015