

# THE ELECTRICITY SALES REPORT OF PEA

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"Smart Energy for Better Life and Sustainability"



**ELECTRICITY SALE UNITS INCREASED AT** 

Electricity sales units decreased as a result of thunderstorms, causing cold weather. Hence, the electricity consumption of households was significantly reduced, while the decline in industrial consumption was affected by price competitiveness with Chinese goods and the uncertainty of the global economy. During the high household debt, private consumption still affected.





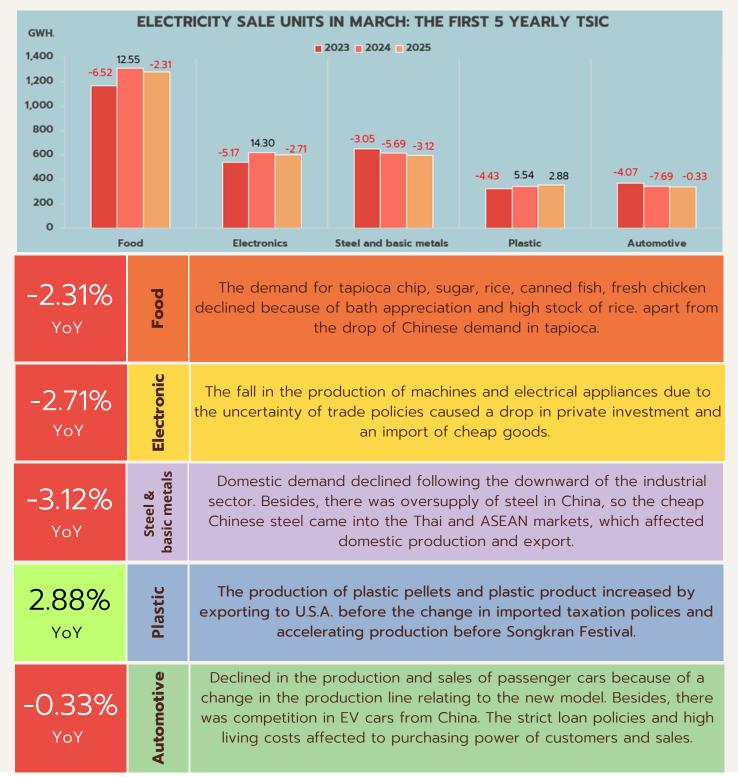






administrative offices, dropping electricity consumption.

## Manufacturing Sector -2.91% <sub>YoY</sub>



## Sale and Hotel sector

-1.56%

Chinese tourists significantly decreased because of the confidence in safety. Malaysian tourists also dropped because of early Ramadan.

Furthermore, Household debt was still high causeing domestic tourists less traveled and saved consumption, leading to a drop of domestic consumption.







+2.76% YoY

PEA has forecasted the electricity sales units in 2025 to improve by 2.76% YoY since the growth of the service and tourism sectors. Private consumption also grew due to the supportive measures. Exports still slow down following the global economic. Nonetheless, there were risks from household debt, strict loan requirements and fluctuating economic conditions from trade barrier and rising U.S. imported tariffs.

#### **Positive Factors**

- 1. The tourism sector continues to expand due to increasing international tourists. This includes measures to stimulate domestic tourism through initiatives like the "Travel Thai Together" project and the "Amazing Thailand Grand Tourism & Sport Year 2025" campaign, which promotes events aimed at boosting tourism, such as hosting international sports competitions like the 33rd SEA Games."
- 2.Private consumption tends to increase by stimulating measures such as the Easy E-Receipt project, Digital Wallet, and the half-half co-payment scheme.
- 3. Investment in the private sector tends to increase, resulting from foreign investment in automotive and electronics, which were supported by the BOI. Besides, Chinese entrepreneurs moved their production base to Thailand because of the trade barrier between China and the U.S.A.
- 4. There was more investment in the Data Center following the measures to support global demand.
- 5. Public investments are on an upward trend following the investment in infrastructure to increase competitiveness, such as domestic logistics and the "Land Bridge" project.
- 6. The export sector is expected to recover, driven by the global economy's rebound, such as China and the U.S.A. The expansion of new markets is also expected in electronics, automotive, and agriculture.

### **Negative Factors**

- 1. Household and business debt remains high because the restricted loans and the drop in loan growth, affecting private consumption.
- 2. The exports to China, the U.S.A., and Japan fluctuated from trade barriers. Besides, there were geopolitical factors such as the Russia-Ukraine conflict and Middle East tension that affected the supply chain of entrepreneurs.
- 3. The oversupply of Chinese goods in the ASEAN market was caused by trade barriers between the U.S.A. and China. There were more imported Chinese goods to Thailand, which had a price competitiveness, making it harder for Thai products to compete in the domestic and global markets.
- 4.U.S. taxation policies, which are administered by Trump, particularly in trade barriers that call for 36% of imported taxes from Thailand, caused counteraction from affected countries and uncertainty in the global economy.
- 5. Tourism and services sector, being the main factor to drive the economy, has more risk from the slowdown of the Chinese economy and the unsafe images in Thailand because Thai tourism mainly relies on tourists from China.
- 6. There were supportive measures to attract Chinese tourists against other ASEANs, such as Japan, South Korea. Besides, there was a competitiveness in telecom and infrastructure.
- 7. The structural problem in the industrial sector affected competitiveness during the technology transformation, such as labour skills that didn't meet the demand in digital production, a lack of R&D and innovation, and a lack of development of its own technology.

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