

THE ELECTRICITY SALES REPORT OF PEA

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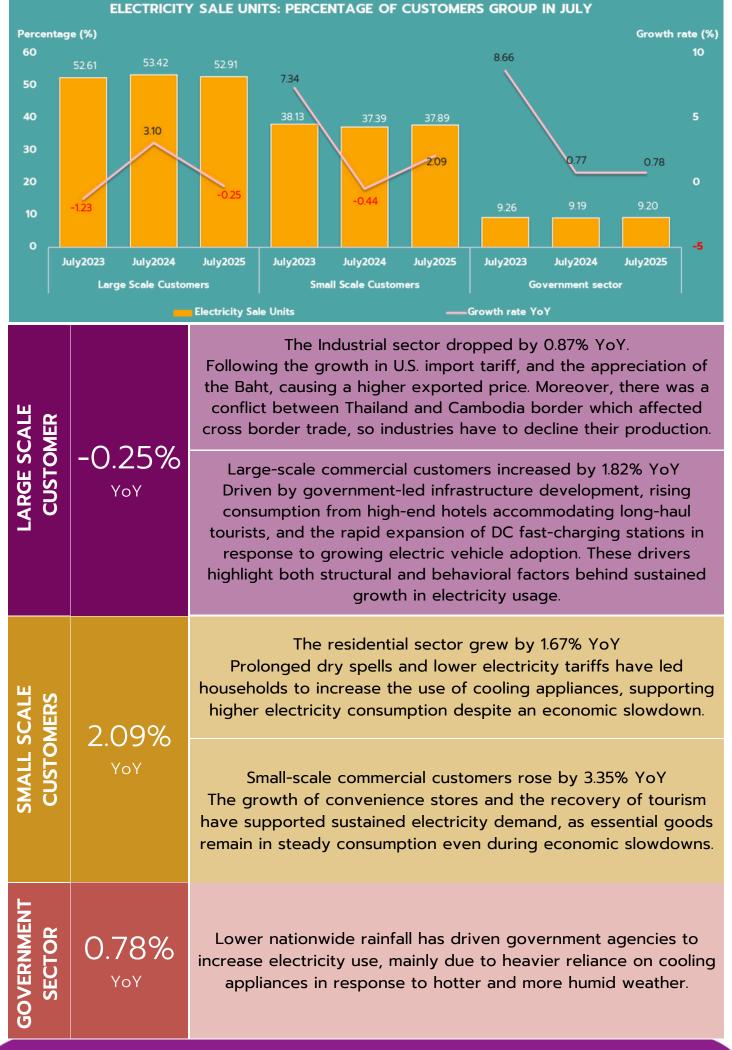
ELECTRICITY SALE UNITS INCREASED AT

0.72%

Electricity sales units increased due to stimulating policies implemented through the "Thailand Half-Share Tourism" project, as well as an increase in tourists from Long-hual, resulting in high demand in the tourism sector. Nonetheless, there was a drop in production and exports, partly due to high household debt and the cost of living, which remain risk factors in Thai economic growth.

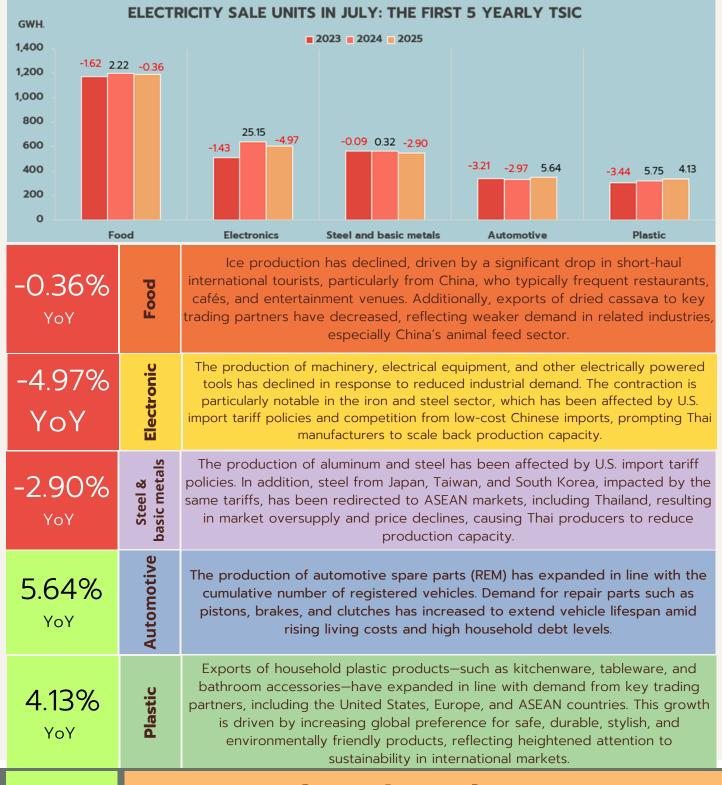








Manufacturing Sector -1.60%



Sale and Hotel sector

4.52% YoY

Hotel occupancy rates have increased due to consecutive long holidays, coupled with the government's domestic tourism stimulus under the "Khon La Khrueng" policy, effective from July to October 2025. Additionally, the number of long-haul international tourists from Europe, the Americas, and the Middle East has risen following the implementation of a free visa policy. These tourists stay for extended periods and have high per-capita spending, leading to a significant expansion in electricity consumption by hotels and related businesses.





-2.41% YoY

PEA has forecasted the electricity sales units in 2025 to decline by 2.41% YoY since the drop in exports following the global economic recession. The industrial sector was pressured by the cheaper Chinese goods and the fluctuation of the U.S. import tariff. Furthermore, there were household debts and strict loan requirements. While there were supportive measures in tourism and services, they would stimulate private investment and consumption.

Positive Factors

- 1.The government has prioritized accelerating budget disbursement in 2025, particularly for investment expenditure.
- 2. Infrastructure investments for transportation and logistics aim to enhance national competitiveness and support economic growth, such as the Southern Railway and the high-speed train between Thailand and China (Phase 1; Bangkok to Nakon Ratchasrima).
- 3.BOI promotes foreign investment in high-potential sectors, including digital and IT, electronics and electrical appliances, and automotive and parts, stimulating private investment and advancing economic growth through innovation and advanced technologies.
- 4. There was an acceleration of strategic export policies by negotiating the FTAs with other countries, such as EFTA, the EU, and the U.S.A., to expand the export markets and improve competitiveness.
- 5. The government implements various programs to stimulate private consumption and boost consumer confidence, supporting economic recovery. Initiatives include Easy e-Receipt, the Digital Wallet (Phases 1 & 2), the Thai-Tiao-Thai tourism campaign, community capacity development (SML), and housing programs.
- 6. This initiative promotes the economy through international tourism and sports events, including hosting the SEA Games 2025, FIVB Women's World Championship 2025, and ASEAN Para Games 2026, attracting foreign tourists and distributing income across regional areas.
- 7.The Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) implements strategies in partnership with airlines and targeted market promotion to attract long-haul tourists, particularly from Europe, the Americas, and the Middle East, who tend to stay longer and spend more per capita, driving clear growth in foreign tourism revenue.

Negative Factors

- 1. Although negotiations successfully reduced U.S. retaliatory tariffs from 36% to 19%, the rate remains significantly higher than the previous 10%, maintaining elevated export costs for Thai producers and affecting the competitiveness of Thai products in the U.S. market.
- 2. The Thai baht's appreciation relative to competitors such as Vietnam increases Thai product prices in global markets, negatively impacting exports and tourism.
- 3. Excessive production capacity in China, combined with a domestic economic slowdown and U.S.-China trade tensions, has led to large-scale export of low-cost Chinese goods to Thailand and ASEAN, pressuring Thai manufacturers both domestically and internationally.
- 4. Conflicts such as the Ukraine-Russia war and tensions in the Middle East disrupt global supply chains, raising logistics costs, limiting raw material availability, and reducing business planning accuracy for Thai enterprises.
- 5. Thailand's tourism sector is heavily reliant on Chinese tourists, making it vulnerable to a Chinese economic slowdown. Negative safety perceptions, such as reports of scams and abductions near the Thai-Myanmar border, further undermine Chinese tourist confidence.
- 6. Competitors like Japan, South Korea, Vietnam, and Malaysia employ proactive marketing strategies to attract Chinese tourists, leveraging superior transport networks, accessible infrastructure, and lower costs, placing significant pressure on Thailand's tourism sector.
- 7. Elevated household and business debt, along with tighter credit standards and declining credit quality, constrain private sector consumption growth.

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