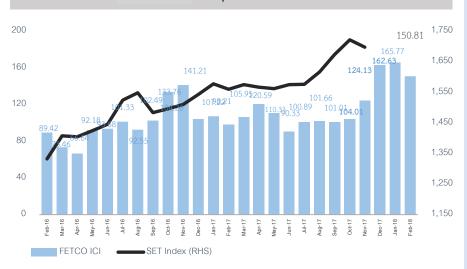




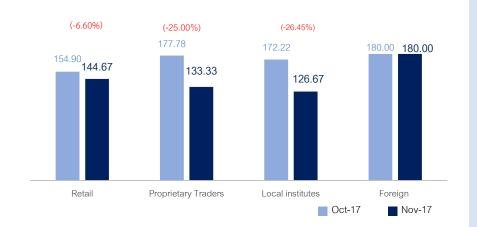
# FETCO Investor Confidence Index Report December 2017

# FETCO ICI Compared to SET Index



Note: Investor Confidence Index surveys four groups of investors— retail investors, local institutional investors, proprietary trading group, and foreign investors— using a diffusion index with a range from 0 to 200. The index readings are divided into five levels: very bullish; bullish; neutral; bearish; and very bearish.

# Trends in Investor Confidence by Type of Investor



FETCO Investor Confidence Index (ICI) for the next three months dropped 9.02%, declining from very bullish into the bullish range. The major factor bolstering investor confidence was the growth of the domestic economy while the flow of international capital dragged down investor sentiment. Investors believe that over the next three months the Thai stock market will rise owing to positive export and tourism numbers as well as improved domestic purchasing power. In addition, the government has revised up its economic growth forecast. These are all positive factor impacting investor confidence.

Tourism & Leisure (TOURISM) remained the most attractive sector for investors, while Agribusiness (AGRI) drew the least investor interest.

FETCO Investor Confidence Index (ICI) for November fell to 150.81, down 9.02% from the previous month's level of 165.77, with the ICI dropping into bullish territory. With regard to each investor group, the ICI for foreign investors remained very bullish at 180, followed by retail investors at 144.67 (bullish), proprietary traders at 133.33 (bullish), and local institutional investors at 126.67 (bullish).

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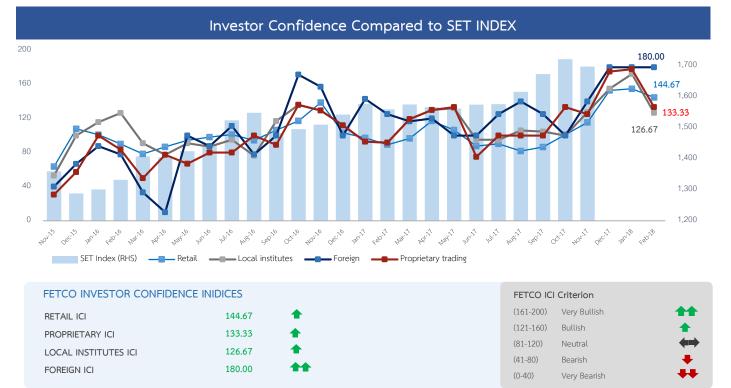


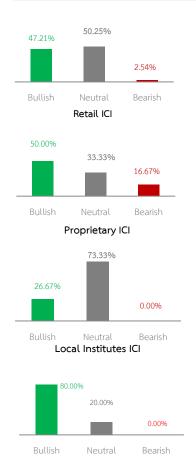












Survey results at the end of November showed the ICI dropping. While foreign investors remained very bullish, the ICI for proprietary traders and local institutional investors fell from very bullish to bullish, with retail investors remaining in bullish territory.

During November, the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index reflected an upward movement hovering around 1,700 points, indicating investors are still confident that the domestic economy is moving in a positive direction as are exports and overall GDP. Internationally, the US stock markets continue to hit historic highs following the appointment of a new Federal Reserve Board Chairman who supports a gradual increase in interest rates and further tax reform. However, a key risk factor remains the situation on the Korean Peninsula, and investors continue to monitor the progress of North Korea's ongoing weapons tests.

For investment trends over the next three months, investors are confident that the market will remain bullish owing to the domestic economy and international capital inflow. Nevertheless, during 2018 investors will closely monitor the outflow of international capital as well as the domestic political situation and upcoming elections at year's end, which could put pressure on investments. Securities in the Tourism & Leisure sector drew the most investor interest followed by those in Banking, while investments in the Agribusiness and Steel sectors were the least attractive.

Note: The domestic institutional group includes asset management companies, government pension fund, insurance companies and life insurance Research Contributors







Foreign ICI



















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# Most Influential Factor Driving the Stock

#### Retail Investors

Most see domestic economic conditions as the factor bolstering investor confidence the most, followed by capital inflow/outflow and listed company earnings.

### Proprietary Traders

Consider domestic economic growth as the main catalyst behind investor confidence, followed by the performance of listed companies and capital inflow/outflow.

#### Local Institutional Investors

Believe strongly that the domestic economy is the most important factor bolstering the market, followed by the performance of listed companies and capital inflow/outflow.

#### Foreign Investors

View domestic economic conditions as the main factor boosting investor confidence, followed by listed company earnings, capital inflow/outflow, and tourism.

#### Most Important Factors Impeding the Market

#### Retail Investors

See capital inflow/outflow as being the biggest drag on market confidence, followed by the political situation.

# Proprietary Traders

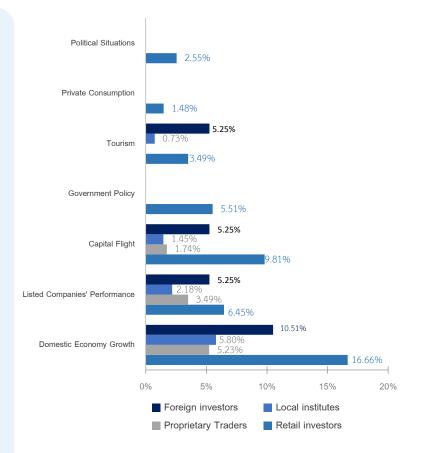
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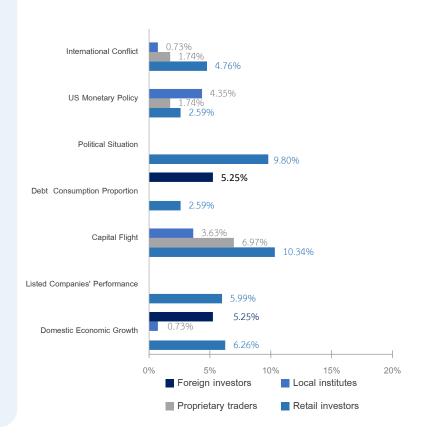
# Local Institutional Investors

Consider US monetary policy as being the biggest drag on investor sentiment, followed by capital inflow/outflow.

#### Foreign Investors

Regard European Union policies, Eurozone economic conditions, household debt, overall inflation rates, and the domestic economy as all being negative factors for the stock market.





























#### Industrial Sectors Most Attractive to Investors



Find the Tourism & Leisure sector most attractive for investment, followed by Energy & Utilities.

Proprietary Traders

See the Banking and Commerce sectors as providing the most interesting investment opportunities, followed by Tourism & Leisure.

Local Institutional Investors

Believe that the best investments are to be found in the Commerce sector, followed by Banking and Construction Materials.

Foreign Investors

See Energy & Utilities, Tourism & Leisure, Food & Beverage, Banking, and Automotive sectors as all providing attractive investment opportunities.



Retail Investors

Most agree that the Fashion sector offers the least interesting investment opportunities, followed by Mining and Media & Publishing.

Proprietary Traders

See the Information & Communication Technology sector as least attractive for investing, followed by Insurance and Media & Publishing.

Local Institutional Investors

Find Agribusiness, Paper & Printing Materials, Electronic Components, and Information & Communication Technology as all sectors with unattractive investment opportunities.

■ Foreign Investors

View the Agribusiness, Banking, Packaging, and Steel sectors as unattractive for investments.

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