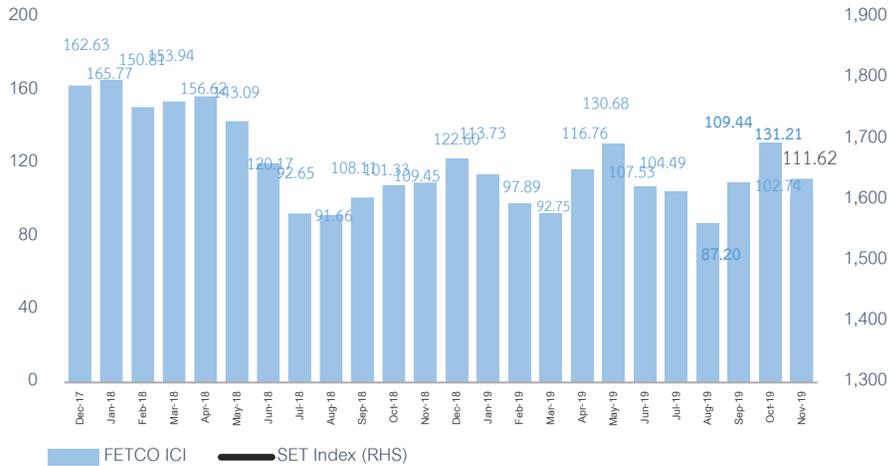


FETCO ICI Compared to SET Index



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



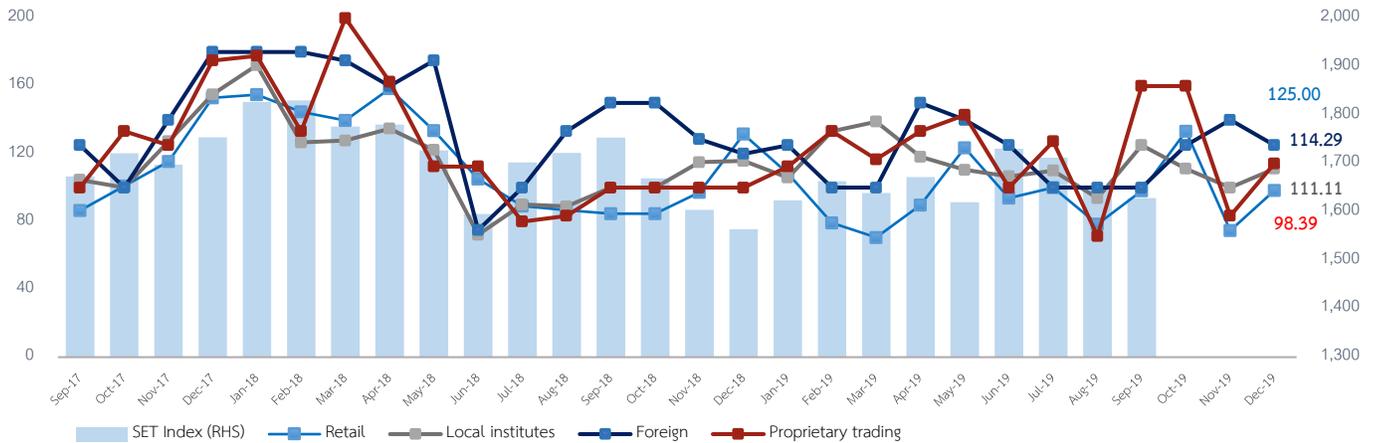
FETCO Investor Confidence Index (ICI) for the next three months **rose 8.64%** while staying in neutral territory. Investors view government policies as the factors boosting investor confidence the most followed by domestic economic conditions and international capital flows. Meanwhile, concerns about international conflicts, regional economic conditions, and the performance of listed companies are factors dragging down investor confidence.

Investors found the Energy & Utilities (ENERG) and Tourism & Leisure (TOURISM) sectors attractive for investment, while finding few investment opportunities in Steel (STEEL), Media & Publishing (MEDIA), and Petrochemicals and Chemicals (PETRO).

FETCO Investor Confidence Index (ICI) for September stood at 111.62, up 8.64% and remained neutral as in the previous month. With regard to the ICIs for each investor group, proprietary trader ICI rose rather significantly to 114.29, while remaining in the neutral zone. Local institutional investors rose to 111.11 and remained neutral, retail investors rose to 98.39 and rising into the neutral zone from the previous month's bearish, while foreign investors dropped to 125.00 but remained bullish.

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Investor Confidence Compared to SET INDEX



FETCO INVESTOR CONFIDENCE INDICES

RETAIL ICI	98.39	↔
PROPRIETARY ICI	114.29	↔
LOCAL INSTITUTES ICI	111.11	↔
FOREIGN ICI	125.00	↑

FETCO ICI Criterion

(160-200)	Very Bullish	↗
(120-159)	Bullish	↑
(80-119)	Neutral	↔
(40-79)	Bearish	↓
(0-39)	Very Bearish	↘

September survey results the FETCO Investor Confidence Index (ICI) increasing slightly and staying neutral for the second month. Retail investors recovered and rose into the neutral zone from the previous month's bearish. Local institutional investor and proprietary trader ICIs rose but remained in the neutral zone while foreign investor confidence dropped slightly but stayed bullish.

During September, the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index experienced stable movement in a slightly downward direction from the level of 1654 points. The SET Index gradually decreased in the second half of the month after the US Fed cut the policy rate 0.25% but did not signal further rate cuts, causing the SET Index to move in the range of 1630 points at the end of the month. Investment trends for the next three months show the factors bolstering investor confidence the most are the government policies with the gradual implementation of economic stimulus measures followed by domestic economy and capital inflows/outflows. However, investor confidence is primarily being dragged down by uncertainties over international conflicts, despite the US-China trade negotiations appearing more productive. Other factors negatively impacting investor confidence include the impact on the regional economies and the performance of listed companies. International economic factors that investors are closely monitoring include: progress in US-China trade negotiations in early October; the trend in BREXIT negotiations—after the British High Court's decision to reopen parliament—towards reducing the risk of a No-Deal BREXIT by October 31, 2019; the possible continuation of the US Federal Reserve's economic easing policy after its second policy rate cut in a year; and the EU's policy interest rate reductions and additional QE measures. Meanwhile, domestic issues being closely watched include the government's economic stimulus policy, consideration the draft Budget Act, and future interest rate policy.

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

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Most Influential Factor Driving the Stock

▪ **Retail Investors**

Most view capital inflows/outflows as the primary factor boosting investor confidence, followed by the domestic economy and the political situation.

▪ **Proprietary Traders**

See US monetary policy as boosting investor confidence the most, followed by domestic economic conditions and capital flows.

▪ **Local Institutional Investors**

Consider government policies as encouraging investor confidence the most, followed by US monetary policy and international conflicts.

▪ **Foreign Investors**

Are confident that government policy is the factor with the greatest positive impact on investor confidence, followed by the domestic economy and commodity prices in the world market.

Most Important Factors Impeding the Market

▪ **Retail Investors**

Worry about international conflicts as the biggest factor dragging down investor confidence, followed by capital flows and the domestic economy.

▪ **Proprietary Traders**

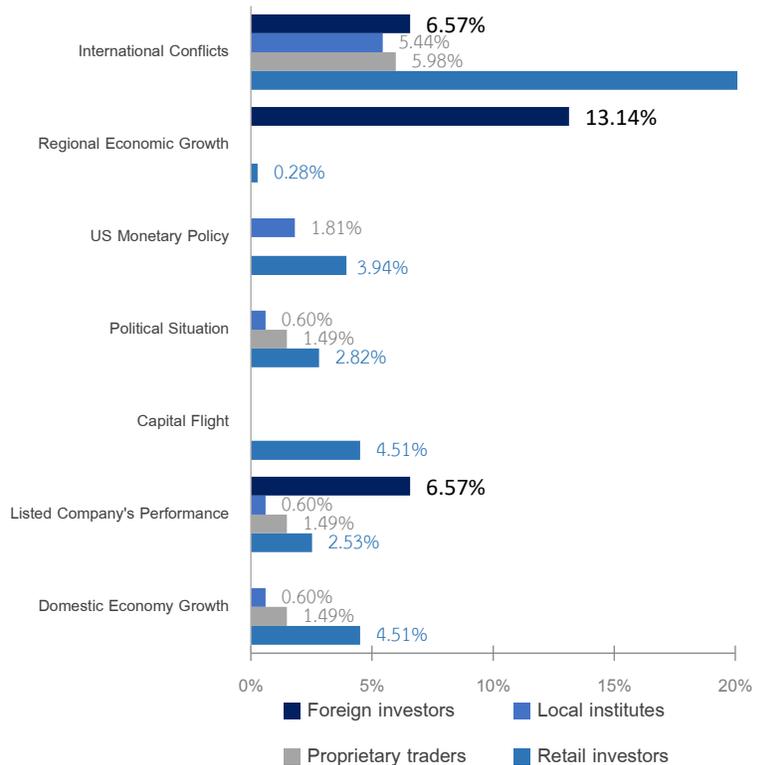
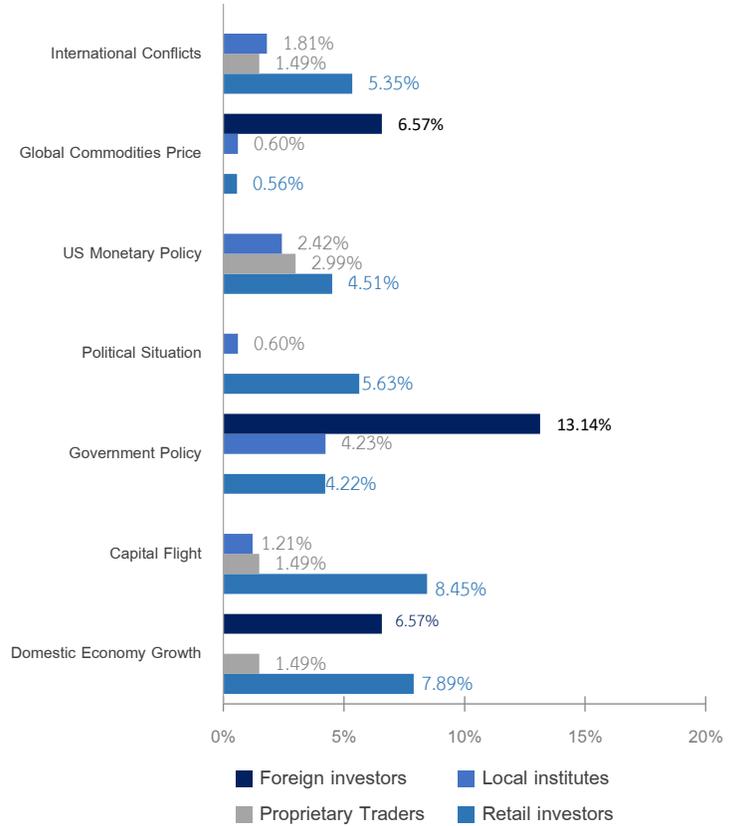
See international conflicts weighing down investor confidence, followed by domestic economic conditions and the performance of listed companies.

▪ **Local Institutional Investors**

Believe that international conflicts have the greatest negative impact on investor sentiment, followed by US monetary policy and listed company earnings.

▪ **Foreign Investors**

Consider regional economic conditions as the biggest drag on investor confidence, followed by the performance of listed companies and international conflicts.



Industrial Sectors Most Attractive to Investors



Retail Investors

See the Energy & Utilities sector as offering the most interesting investment opportunities, followed by Tourism & Leisure and Food & Beverage.

Proprietary Traders

Believe the Commerce and Property Fund & REITs sectors are most attractive for investors, followed by Energy & Utilities and Food & Beverage.

Local Institutional Investors

Consider the Energy & Utilities sector as having the most attractive investments, followed Commerce and Banking.

Foreign Investors

View Energy & Utilities, Property Development, and Petrochemicals & Chemicals all as sectors having interesting investments.

Industrial Sectors Least Attractive to Investors



Retail Investors

Consider the Media & Publishing sector as most unattractive for investing, followed by Steel and Mining.

Proprietary Traders

Find the Media & Publishing and Electronic Components sectors the least interesting for investing, followed by Steel.

Local Institutional Investors

Believe that the Media & Publishing, Steel, and Property Development sectors provide unattractive investment options.

Foreign Investors

See the Petrochemicals & Chemicals, Steel, and Tourism & Leisure sector as offering few investment opportunities.

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