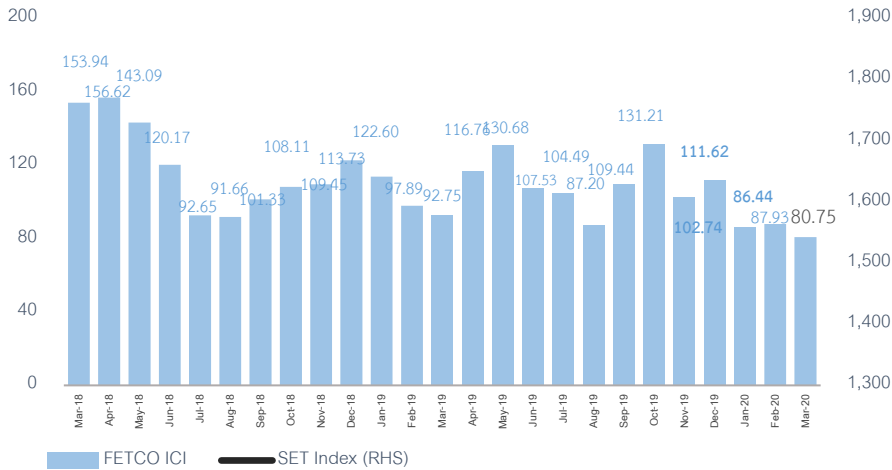
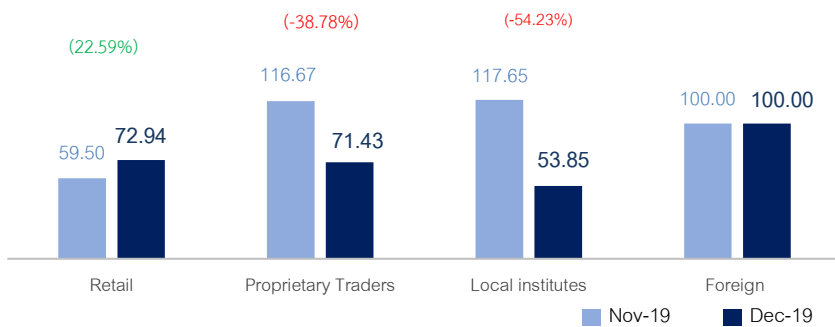


FETCO ICI Compared to SET Index



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



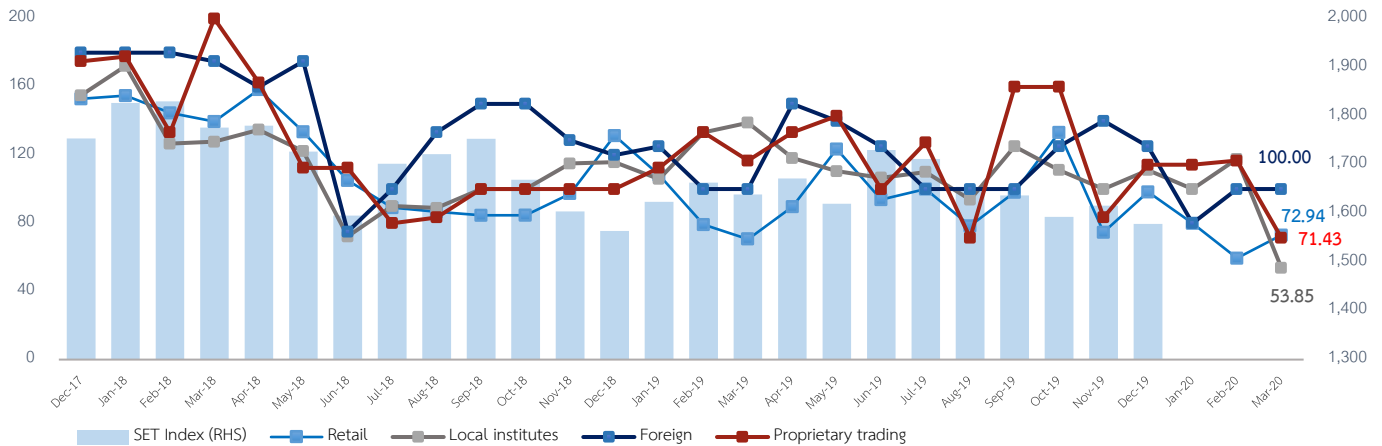
FETCO Investor Confidence Index (ICI) for the next three months **fell by 8.17%** while staying in neutral territory for the fifth consecutive month. Investor confidence was boosted the most by government policy, followed by the performance of listed companies. Meanwhile, investor confidence was dampened by international conflicts along with domestic economic conditions and the political situation.

Investors found the Health Care Services (HEALTH) and Energy & Utilities (ENERG) sectors most attractive for investment, while showing little interest in Banking (BANK) and Media & Publishing (MEDIA).

FETCO Investor Confidence Index (ICI) for December stood at 80.75, down 8.17%, as the ICI remained neutral for the fifth consecutive month. With regard to the ICIs for each investor group, all groups fell into the bearish zone except for foreign investors who were neutral. Local institutional investors declined to 53.84, falling from the neutral zone to bearish. Proprietary trader ICI dropped to 71.43, likewise falling from neutral territory to bearish. Though retail investors increased to 72.94, they remained bearish. Foreign investor ICI was unchanged at 100.00 and stayed in the neutral zone.

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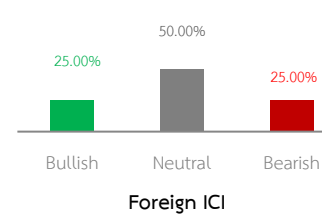
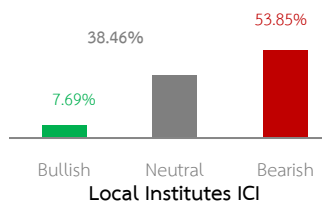
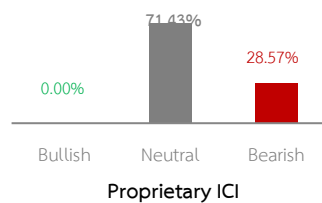
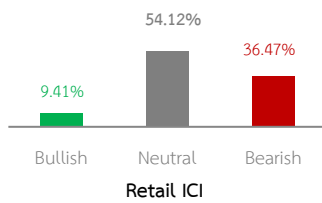


FETCO INVESTOR CONFIDENCE INDICES

RETAIL ICI	72.94	↓
PROPRIETARY ICI	71.43	↓
LOCAL INSTITUTES ICI	53.85	↓
FOREIGN ICI	100.00	↔

FETCO ICI Criterion

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



December survey results the FETCO Investor Confidence Index (ICI) falling and staying neutral for the fifth consecutive month. Proprietary trader and local institutional investor ICIs fell from the previous month and dropped into the bearish zone. Foreign investor ICI remained unchanged in the neutral zone while retail investor ICI rose slightly but stayed bearish.

During December, the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index moved within the range of 1548–1579 points. The SET Index dropped in the first half of the month to a low of 1548 points then gradually increased to around 1570–1580 at the end of the month. The SET Index was positively impacted by the Phase 1 trade agreement between the United States and China. At the same time, investors are anticipating strong buying of SET Long-Term Equity Funds (LTF) at the end of the year, despite continued slowing of Thai economic forecasts. Investment trends for the next three months show the factors bolstering investor confidence the most are expectations surrounding government policy as well as the performance of listed companies. However, concerns about international conflicts continue to dampen investor confidence. Also, the domestic economy and political situation worry investors. Global economic factors that must be monitored include economic conditions resulting from the Phase 1 trade agreement and negotiation trends going into Phase 2 talks. Another important global issue is the likelihood of England leaving the EU with an agreement and within the timeline after the recent UK elections. Also of interest to investors are the directions of US and EU interest rate policies in 2020. Domestic factors which must be taken into account in 2020 include the government's budget disbursement, economic stimulation policies, resolution of export problems stemming from the strong baht—which has affected the country's economic recovery—the domestic political situation, and the Bank of Thailand's monetary 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 domestic economic conditions as the primary factor boosting investor confidence, followed by government policy and the performance of listed companies.

Proprietary Traders

See government policies as boosting investor confidence the most, followed by the domestic economy and listed company earnings.

Local Institutional Investors

Consider government policies as encouraging investor confidence the most, followed by the possible resolution of international conflicts.

Foreign Investors

Believe that the U.S. economy, government policies, tourism, and listed company performance are the factors encouraging investors.

Most Important Factors Impeding the Market

Retail Investors

Worry about the political situation as the biggest factor dragging down investor confidence, followed by international conflicts and the performance of listed companies.

Proprietary Traders

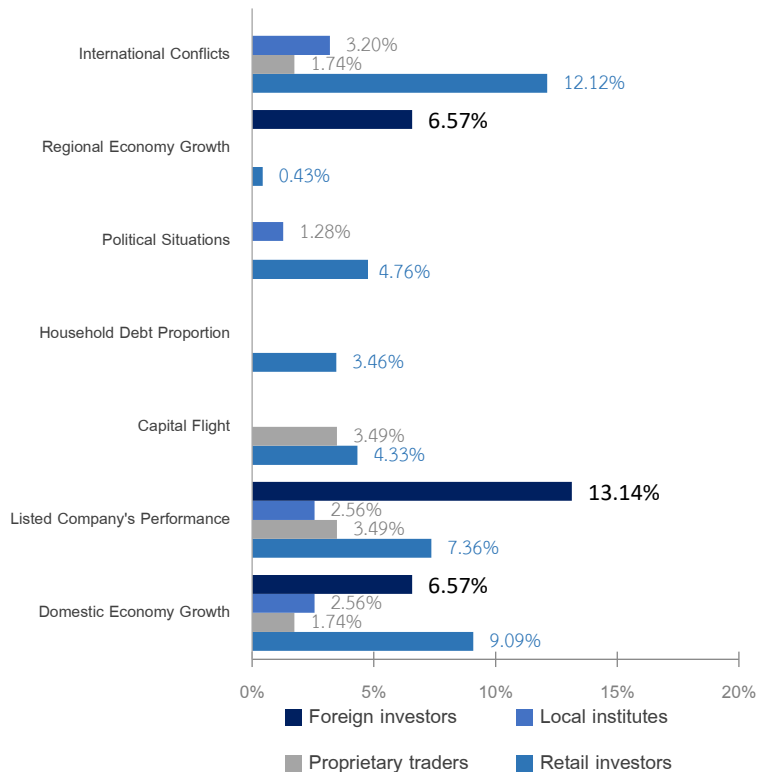
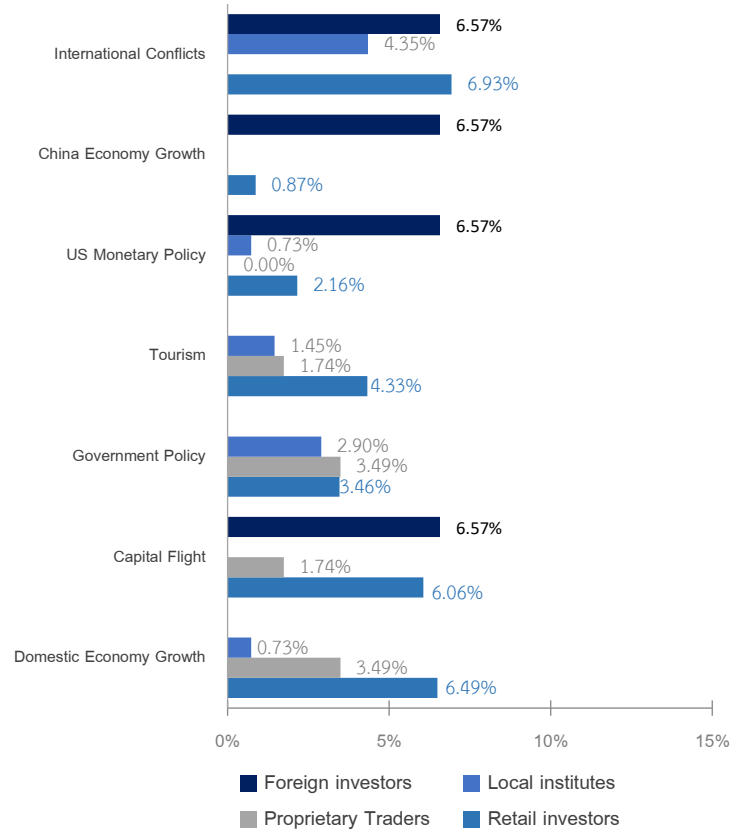
See the political situation and listed companies' earnings as factors weighing down investor confidence, followed by international conflicts and the domestic economy.

Local Institutional Investors

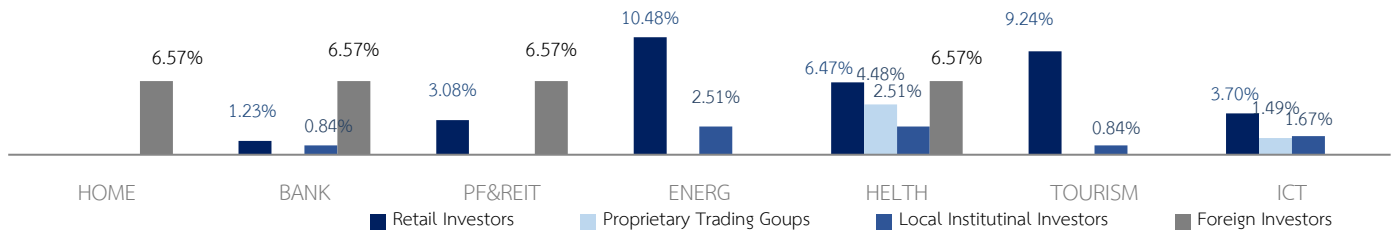
Believe that the domestic economy has the greatest negative impact on investor sentiment, followed by the political situation and international conflicts.

Foreign Investors

Consider international conflicts as the biggest drag on investor confidence, followed by the domestic economy and capital inflows/outflows.



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 Health Care Services.

Proprietary Traders

Believe the Health Care Services sector is most attractive for investors, followed by Commerce and Information & Communication Technology.

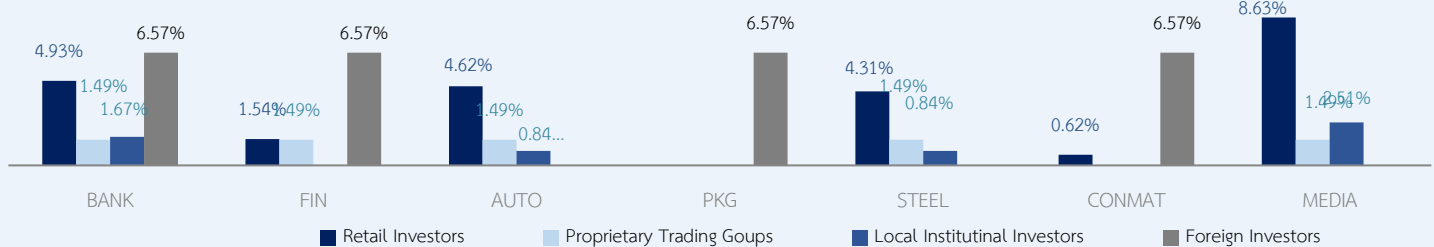
Local Institutional Investors

Consider the Health Care Services and Energy & Utilities sectors as having the most attractive investments, followed by Information & Communication Technology.

Foreign Investors

View Health Care Services, Property Fund & REITs, and Banking as sectors having the most interesting investments.

Industrial Sectors Least Attractive to Investors



Retail Investors

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

Proprietary Traders

Find the Banking, Finance & Securities, and Automotive sectors the least interesting for investing.

Local Institutional Investors

Believe that the Media & Publishing sector provides unattractive investment options, as does the Banking sector.

Foreign Investors

See the Banking, Finance & Securities, Packaging, and Construction Materials sectors as offering few investment opportunities.

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