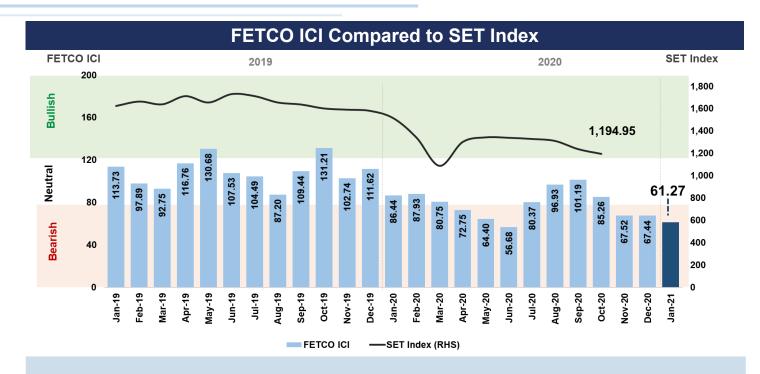


**FETCO Investor Confidence Index Report** 

November 2020



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The FETCO Investor Confidence Index (FETCO ICI) for the next three months fell for the third consecutive month to 61.27, or 9 percent drop from the previous month. Investors pinned high hope on domestic push to drive the economy. Government policy and fund flow followed as factors investors expected they could help shore up the market sentiment. Factors that dragged investor confidence the most was local political situation, followed by domestic economic retreat, inbound tourism and concerns over the second wave of COVID-19 spread.

Investors found that the Food & Beverage (FOOD) was the most attractive sector followed by Commercial (COMM) and Tourism & Leisure (TOURISM) sectors while Banking (BANK) is the least attractive sector, followed by Steel (STEEL) and Property Development (PROP) sectors. Investor confidence of investors across investor types retreated to "bearish" zone

FETCO INVESTOR CONFIDENCE INIDICES		FETCO ICI Criterion
RETAIL ICI	78.57 🖊	(160 - 200) Very Bullish
PROPRIETARY ICI	62.50 🖊	(120 - 159) Bullish (80 - 119) Neutral ↔
LOCAL INSTITUTES ICI	62.50 🖊	(40 - 79) Bearish
FOREIGN ICI	40.00 📕	(0 - 39) Very Bearish

<u>Note</u>: 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.

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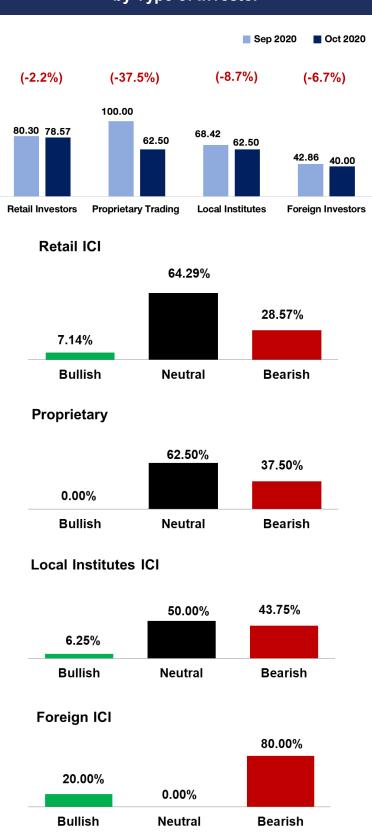
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# Trends in Investor Confidence by Type of Investor



The results of October 2020 survey showed that investor confidence across investor types slipped to "bearish" zone. Retail investor fell 2.2 percent to 78.57, proprietary trader declined 37.5 percent to 62.50 while local institutional and foreign investors receded 8.7 percent and 6.7 percent to 62.50 and 40.00 respectively.

During the first half of October 2020, SET index moved in tight range of 1,247.59-1.263.99 points before heading south in line with most stock markets across the globe following the disappointment over U.S.' new stimulus package and soaring coronavirus infections in major countries in Europe and the United States. In addition, escalating local political tensions and the announcement of emergency decree in Bangkok dampened the local situation. At the end of October 2020, SET Index closed at 1,194.95 points, down 3.40 percent from the preceding month. However, positive factors cushioned the downside included the new appointment of Finance Minister, government's continued stimulus package and the extension of "We Travel Together" tourism campaign, which is expected to boost domestic consumption in the fourth guarter of 2020.

Investors pinned their hope on domestic push to drive the local economy while government's policy and fund flow were also supportive factors. However, factor that hampered investor confidence the most was local political situation, economic slowdown, inbound tourism and concerns over the second wave of COVID-19 spread.

External factors on the watch included economic direction after the U.S. presidential election, UK-EU trade agreement before the transition period ends later this year. Eyes were also on lingering local political protest and third quarter earnings results of listed companies.

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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 Market

#### **Retail Investors**

 Most view the domestic economic growth and government policy as the important factors boosting investor confidence, followed by capital inflow-outflow.

#### **Proprietary Traders**

• See the government policy, domestic economic growth and China's economic growth as supporting investor confidence.

## **Local Institutional Investors**

 Consider the domestic economic growth and tourism recovery as having positive impacts on investor confidence.

## **Foreign Investors**

• Believe that the domestic economic growth, capital flight, government policy and China's economic growth are factors bolstering investor confidence.

## Most Important Factors Impeding the Stock Market

## **Retail Investors**

 Consider the political situation as the biggest factor dragging down investor confidence, followed by domestic economic slowdown and tourism.

## **Proprietary Traders**

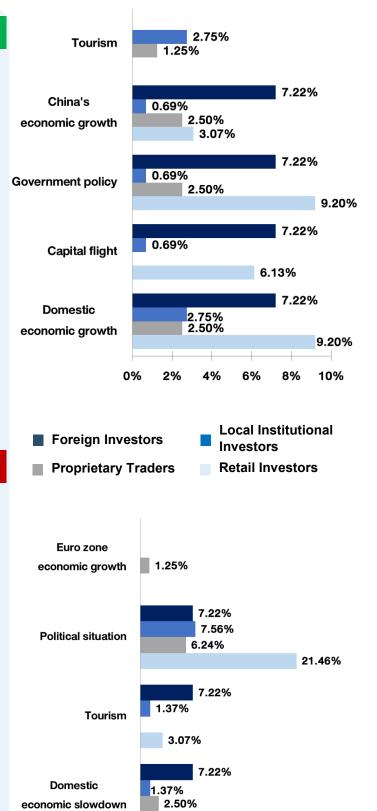
• See the political situation as the primary factors weighing down investor confidence, followed by domestic economic slowdown and Euro zone economic situation.

#### **Local Institutional Investors**

 Believe that the political situation has the greatest negative impact on investor sentiment, followed by domestic economic slowdown and tourism.

#### **Foreign Investors**

 View the political situation, domestic economic slowdown and tourism as dragging down investor confidence.



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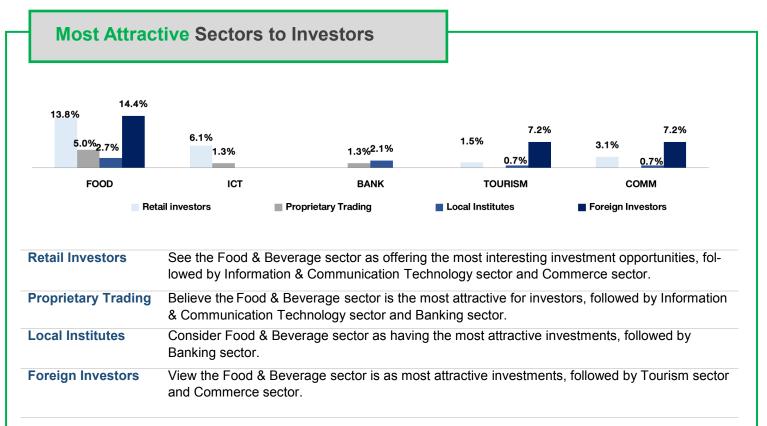


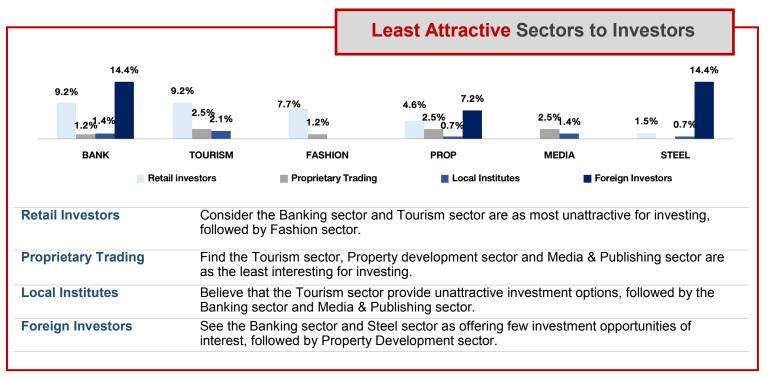












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