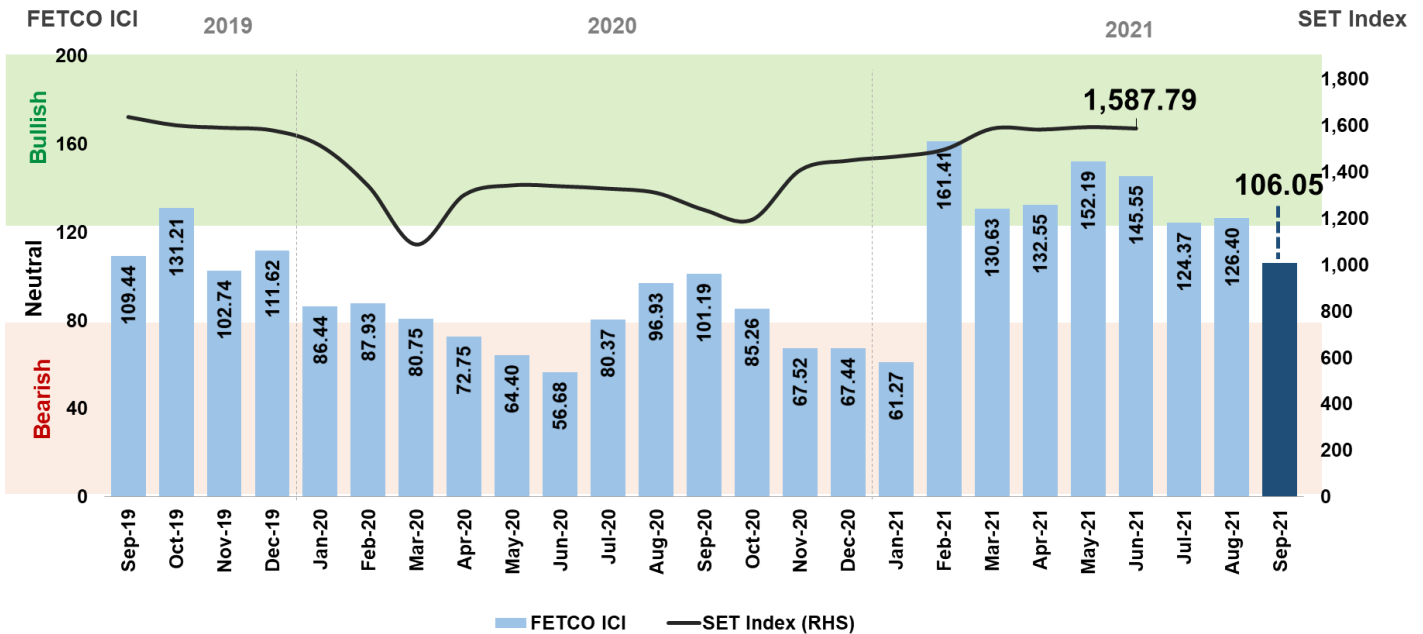


## FETCO ICI Compared to SET Index



The FETCO Investor Confidence Index (FETCO ICI) for the next three months is at 106.05, declining 16.1 percent from the previous month, and enters “neutral” zone for the first time in 8 months. The most supportive factor expected is COVID-19 vaccine distribution to help ease COVID-19 situation. Fund inflow and local economic recovery are respectively seen as the following supportive factors. However, lingering COVID-19 pandemic in Thailand, followed by international conflicts and the country’s economic retreat are the top three concerning factors.

The most attractive sector to investors is Health Care Services (HEALTH), followed by Tourism & Leisure (TOURISM) and Energy & Utilities (ENERGY). However, the least attractive ones include Fashion (FASHION), Information & Communication Technology (ICT), and Energy & Utilities (ENERGY).

Almost every investor group’s confidence was in “neutral” territory, except that of local institutional investors, which was in “bullish” zone.

### FETCO INVESTOR CONFIDENCE INDICES

RETAIL ICI	109.91	↕
PROPRIETARY ICI	83.33	↕
LOCAL INSTITUTES ICI	130.00	↑
FOREIGN ICI	100.00	↕

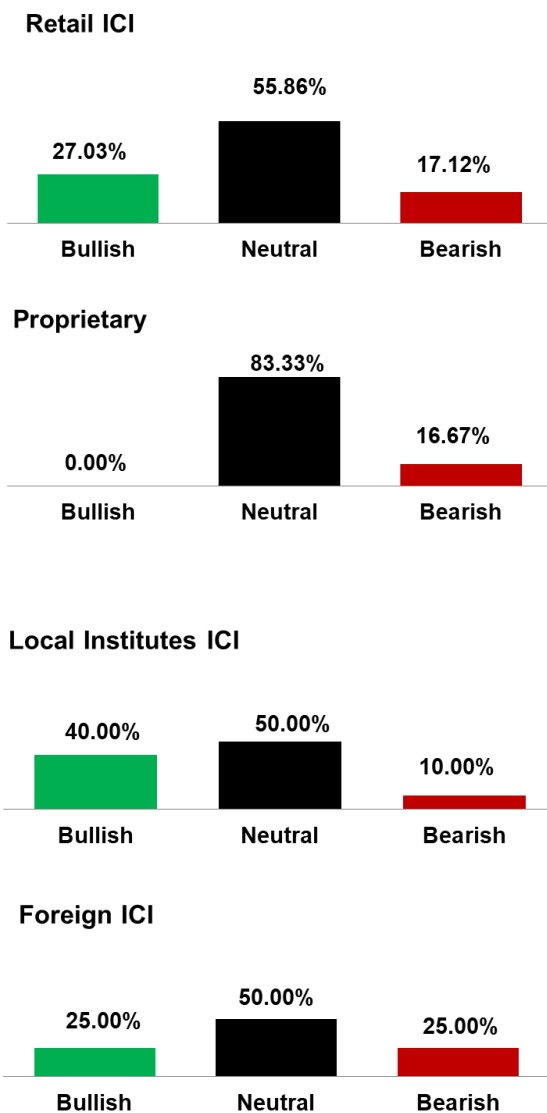
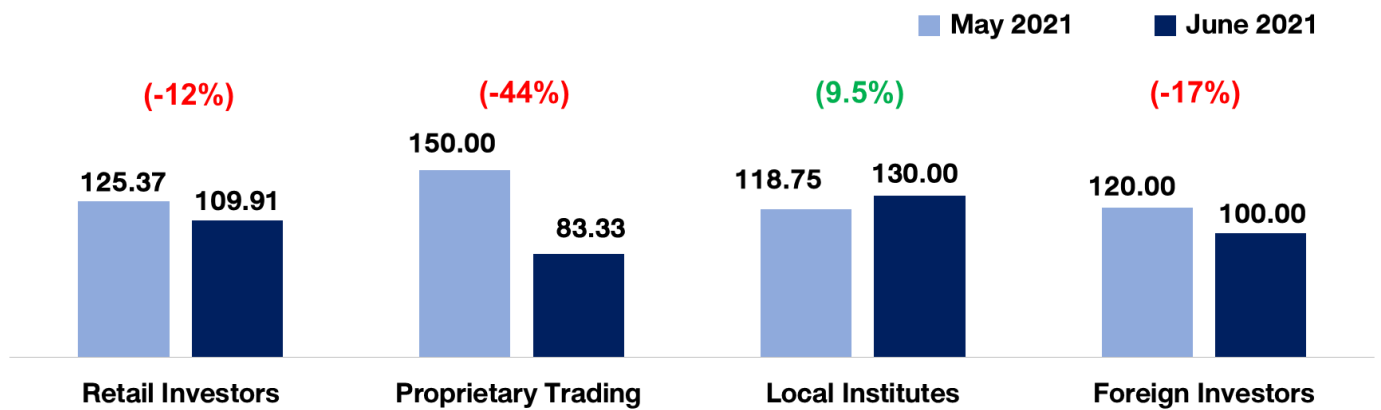
### FETCO ICI Criterion

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

**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.

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Trends in Investor Confidence by Type of Investor



The survey result in June 2021 shows that the confidence of retail investors declines 12.3 percent to 109.91. That of proprietary traders slides 44.4 percent to 83.33. Investor confidence of institutional investors rises 9.5 percent to 130.00 while that of foreign investors drops 17 percent to 100.00.

During the first half of June 2021, weakened US dollar as a result of U.S. President Joe Biden's stimulus policy triggered fund inflow to stock markets in Thailand and emerging markets. In addition, the acceleration of COVID-19 vaccination rollout since 7 June provided positive cue to the Thai stock market. However, the latter half of June saw higher market volatility as a result of uncertainty over vaccine delivery plan. The rising number of confirmed cases and death report as well as partial lockdown in Bangkok and areas in red zone intensified the tension. In addition, the Monetary Policy Committee's downward revision of Thailand's GDP in 2021 and 2022 to 1.8 percent and 3.9 percent respectively tarnished sentiment. SET Index at end-June then reversed earlier gains to close at 1,587.79, down 0.4 percent from the previous month.

External factors to monitor include the progress of U.S. President Joe Biden's stimulus plan and proposed tax hikes and the proposal for global minimum tax on corporations at 15 percent to be discussed at the G20 Summit set on 9-10 July 2021. IMF is also set to announce its GDP forecast while international conflicts in several countries remain on the watch. The spread of new COVID-19 variant, especially in Asia countries, may impact Thailand's exports. For internal factors, the lingering COVID-19 pandemic piles up pressure on Thailand's public health crisis. Uncertainties over vaccine procurement and the speed of the vaccine rollout undermine foreign investors' confidence whether Thailand could reopen the country within 120 days as planned. The kicking off of Phuket sandbox project in July and the government's measures to aid those impacted from the epidemic will also be factored in.

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

**Most Influential Factor Driving the Stock Market**

**Retail Investors**

- Most view the vaccination plan to ease Covid-19 situation as the important factor boosting investor confidence, followed by domestic economic recovery and listed companies' performance.

**Proprietary Traders**

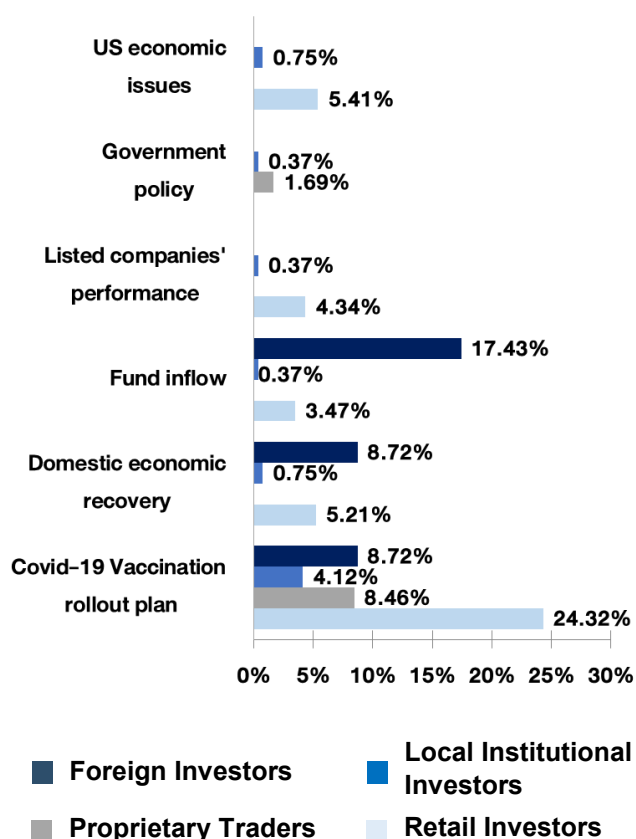
- See the vaccination plan to ease Covid-19 situation as the most supporting investor confidence, followed by government policy.

**Local Institutional Investors**

- Consider the vaccination plan to ease Covid-19 situation as having positive impact on investor confidence, followed by domestic economic recovery and US economic issues.

**Foreign Investors**

- Believe that the fund inflow is factor bolstering investor confidence, followed by domestic economic recovery and the vaccination plan to ease Covid-19 situation.



**Most Important Factors Impeding the Stock Market**

**Retail Investors**

- Consider the current Covid-19 situation as the biggest factor dragging down investor confidence, followed by the domestic economic slowdown and fund outflow.

**Proprietary Traders**

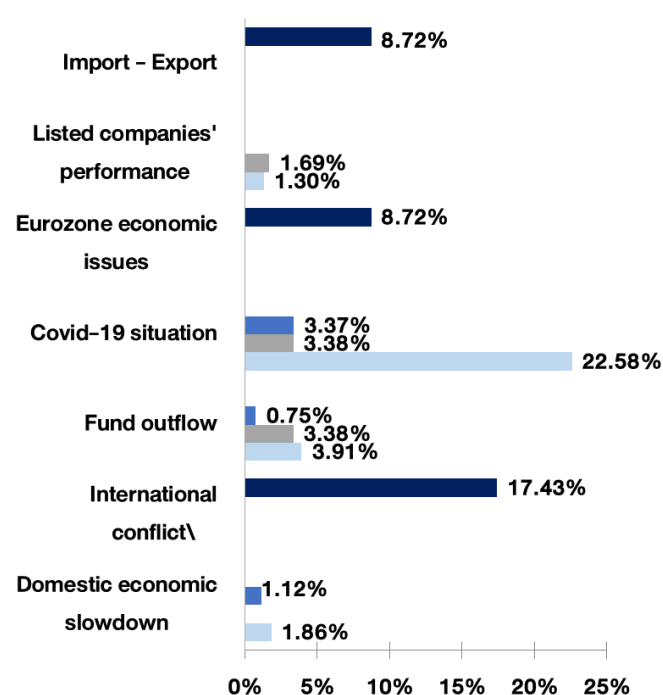
- See the current Covid-19 situation and fund outflow as the primary factors weighing down investor confidence, followed by listed companies' performance.

**Local Institutional Investors**

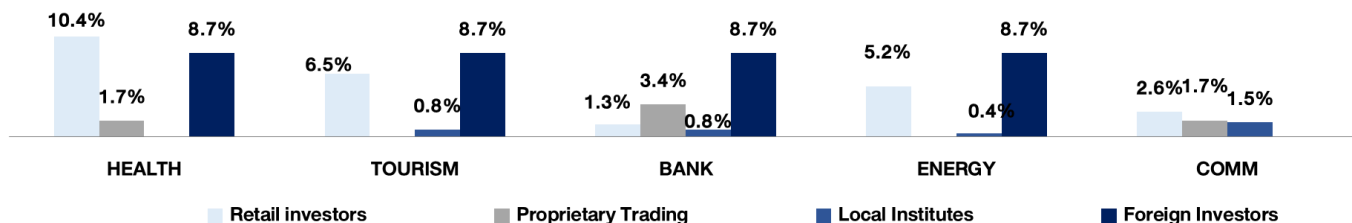
- Believe that the current Covid-19 situation has the greatest negative impact on investor sentiment, followed by domestic economic slowdown and fund outflow.

**Foreign Investors**

- View the international conflict as the most dragging down investor confidence, followed by Eurozone economic situation and import-export.



#### Most Attractive Sectors to Investors



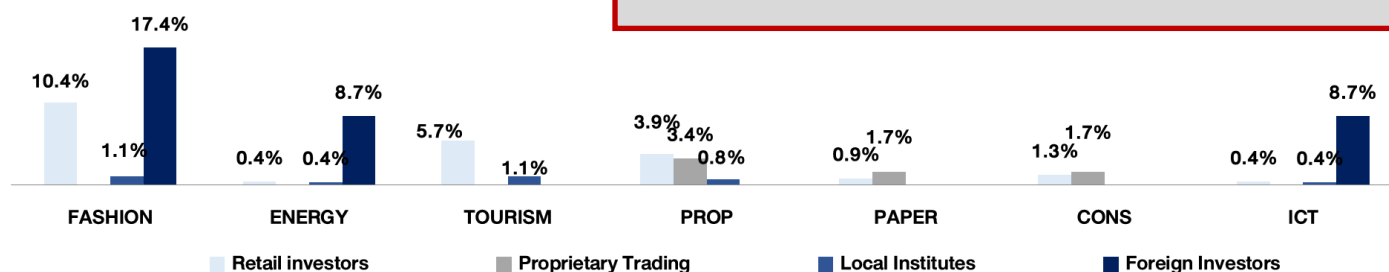
**Retail Investors** See the Health Care Services sector as offering the most interesting investment opportunities, followed by Tourism & Leisure sector and Energy & Utilities sector.

**Proprietary Trading** Believe the Banking sector is the most attractive for investors, followed by Health Care Services sector and Commerce sector.

**Local Institutes** Consider the Commerce sector as having the most attractive investments, followed by Banking sector and Tourism & Leisure sector.

**Foreign Investors** View the Health Care Services sector, Energy & Utilities sector, Banking sector and Tourism & Leisure sector as most attractive investment.

#### Least Attractive Sectors to Investors



**Retail Investors** Consider the Fashion sector is as most unattractive for investing, followed by Tourism & Leisure sector and Property development sector.

**Proprietary Trading** Find the Property development sector is as the least interesting for investing, followed by Paper & Printing Materials sector and Construction Services sector.

**Local Institutes** Believe that the Fashion sector and Tourism & Leisure sector provide unattractive investment option, followed by Property development sector and Information & Communication Technology sector.

**Foreign Investors** See Fashion sector as offering few investment opportunities of interest, followed by Information & Communication Technology sector and Energy & Utilities sector.

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