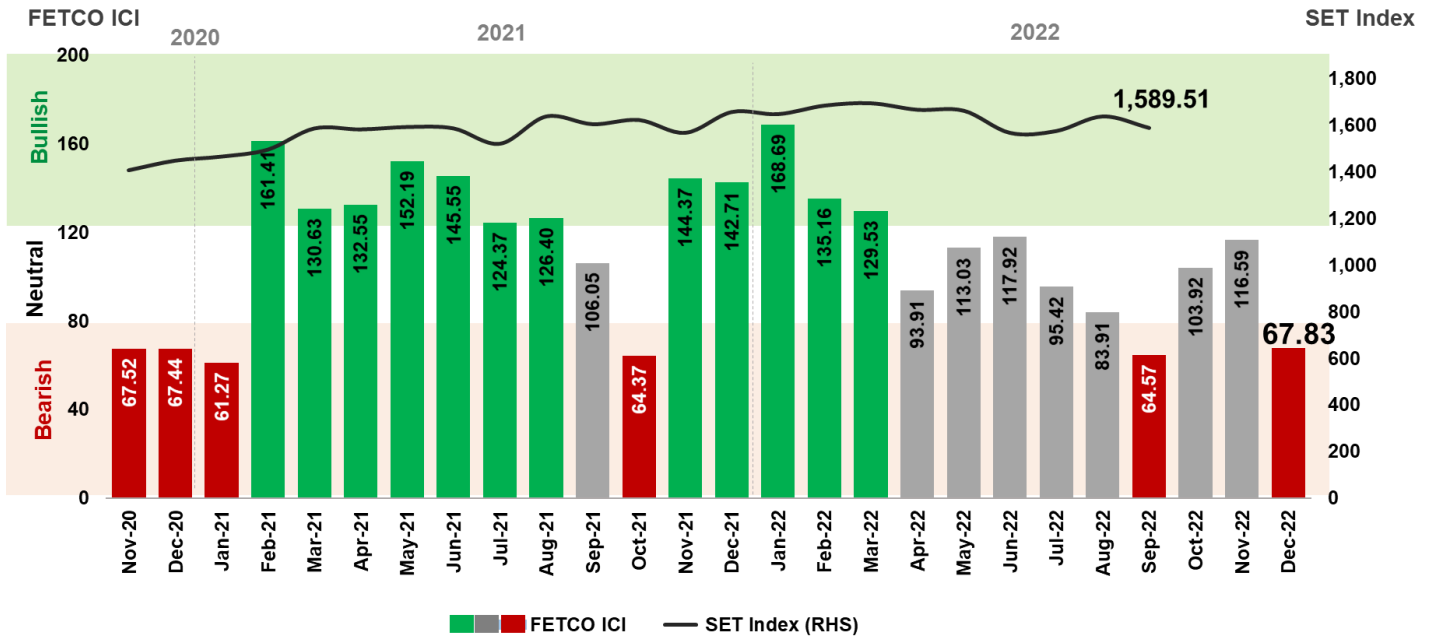


FETCO ICI Compared to SET Index



FETCO Investor Confidence Index (FETCO ICI) in September, which anticipated the market condition over the next three months, is at 67.83, down 41.8 percent from the previous month, drawing back to “bearish” zone. Tourism recovery is expected to be the most influential driver boosting the confidence, followed by local economic recovery and Thai Central Bank’s interest rate hike. However, Fed’s interest rate hike policy dampens sentiment the most, followed by fund outflow and international conflicts, respectively.

The most attractive sectors to investors are Tourism & Leisure (TOURISM), Banking (BANK) and Energy and Utilities (ENERGY) respectively. However, the least attractive ones include Petrochemicals & Chemicals (PETRO), Fashion (FASHION) and Steel (STEEL).

Confidence of retail and foreign investors retreats to “bearish zone” while that of institutional and proprietary investors is in “neutral” zone. .

FETCO INVESTOR CONFIDENCE INDICES

RETAIL ICI	77.33	↓
PROPRIETARY ICI	100.00	↔
LOCAL INSTITUTES ICI	113.33	↔
FOREIGN ICI	40.00	↓

FETCO ICI Criterion

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

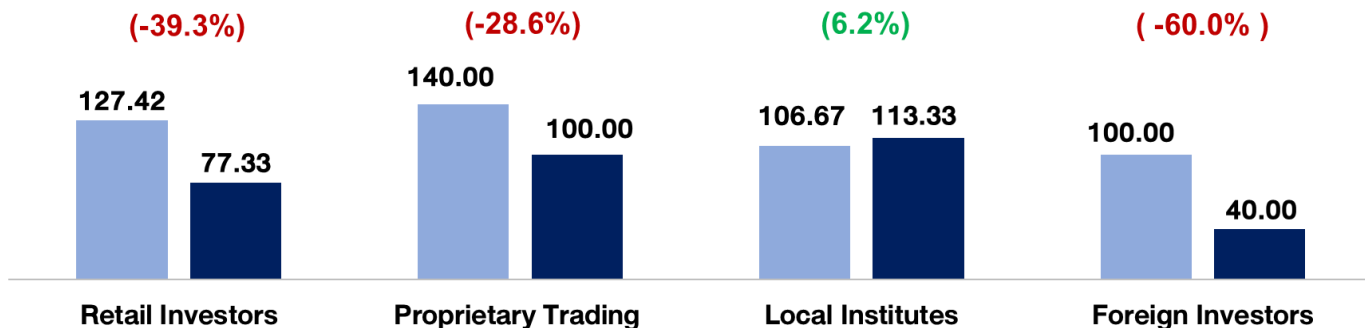
Note: Investor Confidence Index surveys four groups of investors—retail investors, local institutional investors, proprietary trading group, and foreign investors—using a diffusion index with a range from 0 to 200. The index readings are divided into five levels: very bullish; bullish; neutral; bearish;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

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Trends in Investor Confidence by Type of Investor

■ September 2022 ■ August 2022



In September 2022, ICI of most types of investors retreated. Retail investors fell 39.3 percent to 77.33. Proprietary investors dropped 28.6 percent to 100.00. Foreign investors declined 60% to 40.00 while local institutional investors rose 6.2 percent to 113.33.



In the first week of September, SET Index tracked an upward trend in global stock markets. However, the benchmark index gradually extended global rout on mounting pressure such as Fed’s interest rate hike, bearish 2023 global economic outlook following the World Bank’s forecast, and escalating tension on Russia – Ukraine conflicts as Russia ordered more troops to Ukraine. In addition, FTSE reducing weight of Thai big cap stocks effective on 16 September 2022 dampened sentiment. As a result, in September, SET Index moved in tight 1,589.51—1,665.74 range and closed at 1,589.51 at the end of the month, which was 3 percent lower than a month earlier. Foreign investors turned to net sellers of THB 24,279 million for the month but remained as net buyers of THB 146,465 million year to date.

For external factors, investors are cautious about Fed’s tightening monetary policy and its next rate move to tame still high inflation as well as global central banks’ monetary policy move to tackle volatility in foreign exchange market. Other factors to monitor include global economic recession outlook and soaring tension in Russia-Ukraine conflicts after Russian proclaimed annexation of four Ukrainian regions. Locally, investors are following the development of Thailand in rising interest rate landscape after the Bank of Thailand raised its policy rate for the second time, bringing the benchmark rate to 1%. Other factors include Thailand’s economic outlook boosted by tourism recovery and local political situation as the general election is expected in the second quarter of 2023.

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

Most Influential Factor Driving the Stock Market

Retail Investors

- Most view the tourism recovery as the most important factor boosting investor confidence, followed by FED's interest rate policy and fund inflow.

Proprietary Traders

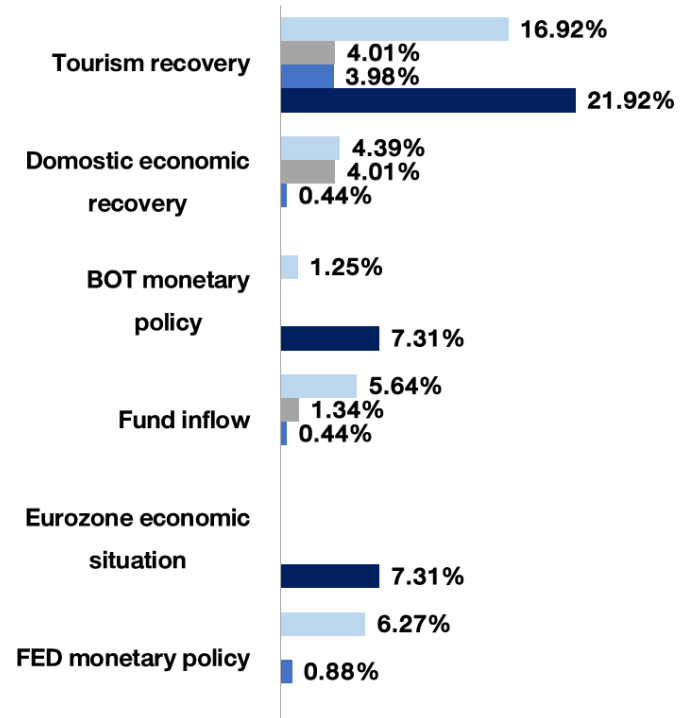
- See the tourism economic recovery and the domestic economic recovery as the most supporting investor confidence, followed by fund inflow.

Local Institutional Investors

- Consider the tourism recovery as having positive impact on investor confidence, followed by the FED's interest rate policy measures, fund inflow and domestic economic recovery.

Foreign Investors

- Believe that the tourism recovery and is the most important factors bolstering investor confidence, followed by the BOT monetary policy and Eurozone economic situation.



Most Important Factors Impeding the Stock Market

Retail Investors

- Consider the FED interest rate hike as the biggest factor dragging down investor confidence, followed by the fund out flow and the effect of inflation to global commodity price.

Proprietary Traders

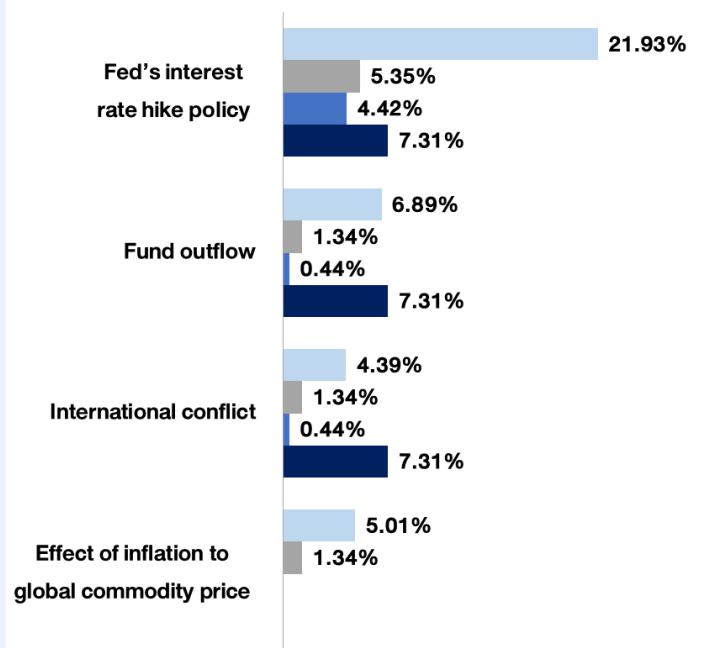
- See the FED interest rate hike as the primary factors weighing down investor confidence, followed by fund outflow, international conflict and the effect of inflation to global commodity price.

Local Institutional Investors

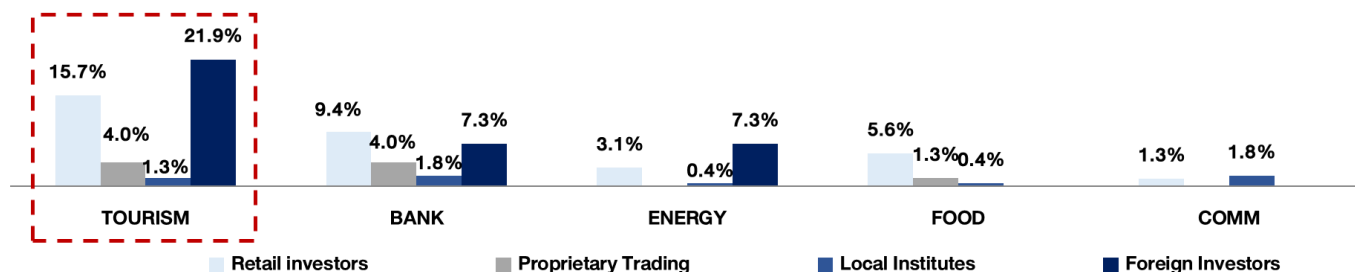
- Believe the FED interest rate hike has the greatest negative impact on investor sentiment, followed by the fund outflow and international conflict.

Foreign Investors

- View the FED interest rate hike, fund outflow and international conflict as the most dragging down investor confidence.

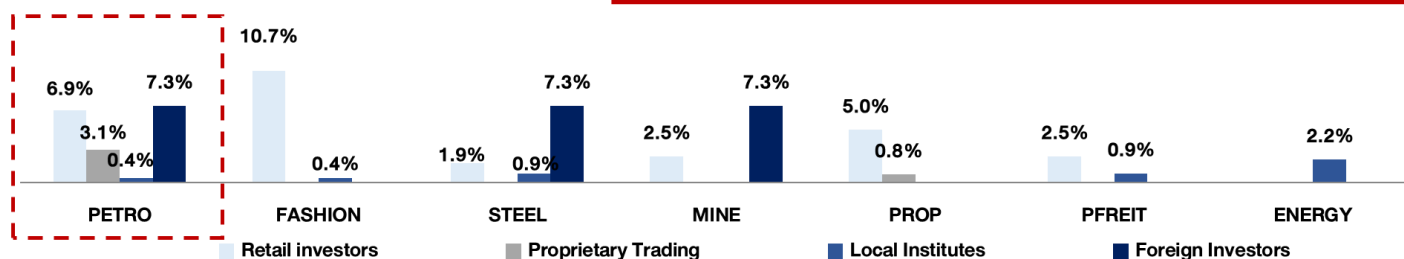


Most Attractive Sectors to Investors



Retail Investors	See the Tourism & Leisure sector as offering the most interesting investment opportunities, followed by Banking sector and Food & Beverage sector.
Proprietary Trading	Believe the Tourism & Leisure sector and Banking sector are the most attractive for investors, followed by Food & Beverage sector.
Local Institutes	Consider the Commerce sector and Banking sector as having the most attractive investments, followed by Tourism & Leisure sector
Foreign Investors	View the Tourism & Leisure sector is as most attractive investment, followed by Banking sector and Energy and Utilities sector.

Least Attractive Sectors to Investors



Retail Investors	Consider the Fashion sector is as most unattractive for investing, followed by Petrochemicals and Chemicals sector and Property development sector.
Proprietary Trading	Find the Petrochemicals & Chemicals sector is as the least interesting for investing, followed by Property development sector.
Local Institutes	Believe that the Energy and Utilities sector provides unattractive investment options, followed by Property Fund & REITs sector and Steel & Metal sector .
Foreign Investors	See the Petrochemicals & Chemicals sector, Steel & Metal Products sector, and Mining sector as offering few investment opportunities of interest.

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