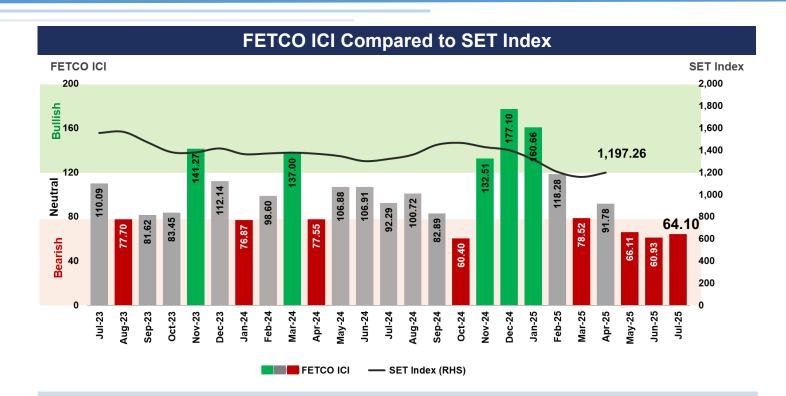






**FETCO Investor Confidence Index Report** 

**May 2025** 



**FETCO Investor Confidence Index (FETCO ICI) in April 2025** (conducted during 21-30 April 2025), which anticipated the market condition over the next three months, remains in 'bearish' zone at 64.10. The government's stimulus packet is the most supportive factor, followed by fund inflow and tourism recovery. However, trade war, international conflicts, and local political situation weigh on sentiment.

The most attractive sectors to investors are Banking (BANK), Healthcare (HEALTH), and Information & Communication Technology (ICT) respectively. However, the least attractive ones include Automotive (AUTO), Steel & Metal Products (STEEL), and Fashion (FASHION).

Confidence of retail investor, proprietary investor and foreign investor is in "bearish" zone while that of institutional investor is in "bullish" zone.

FETCO INVESTOR CONFIDENCE INIDICES		FETCO ICI Criterion
RETAIL ICI	42.65	(160 - 200) Very Bullish
PROPRIETARY ICI	60.00	(120 - 159) Bullish
LOCAL INSTITUTES ICI	130.77	(80 - 119) Neutral (40 - 79) Bearish
FOREIGN ICI	66.67	(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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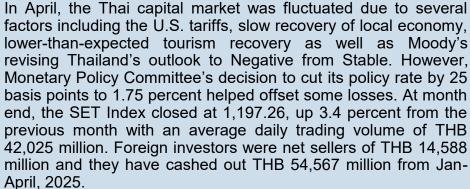
The survey results in April 2025 show that confidence of retail investor is up 9.9 percent to 42.65, proprietary investors steady at 60.00, institutional investors up 17.7 percent to 130.77 and foreign investors also unchanged at 66.67.

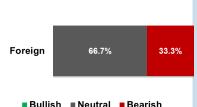


30.8%

Local

Institutes





69.2%

External factors to monitor includes the U.S. trade policy, which includes reciprocal tariffs between the U.S. and major economies; global economic slowdown; lingering Russia-Ukraine conflicts; and escalating tensions between India and Pakistan over Kashmir. Locally, eyes are on trade negotiation between Thailand and the U.S.; an investment increase in the Thai stock market during May and June as investors will be allowed to switch their investment from long-term equity fund (LTF) units into the Thai ESG Extra Fund (ESGX) and increase their investment in ESGX while enjoying tax benefit worth up to THB 600,000.

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**

 believe that government stimulus measures is the most important factor driving confidence, followed by inflow, and de-escalation of international conflicts.

# **Proprietary Traders**

 see government economic stimulus measures as the most important factor supporting confidence, followed by BOT's rate cut, and fund inflow.

### **Local Institutional Investors**

 believe that government stimulus measures is the most important factor boosting confidence, followed by BOT's rate cut and listed firms' earnings.

# **Foreign Investors**

 perceive government stimulus, fund inflow, and tourism recovery as primary drivers of their confidence.

# **Most Important Factors Impeding the Stock Market**

#### **Retail Investors**

 believe that trade wars is the biggest factor weighing down confidence, followed by international conflicts, and U.S. monetary policies.

## **Proprietary Traders**

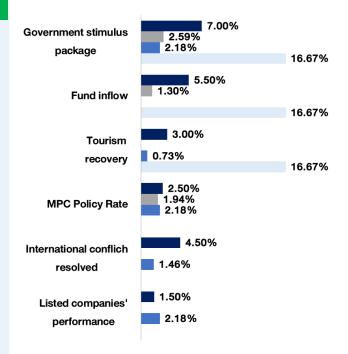
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## **Local Institutional Investors**

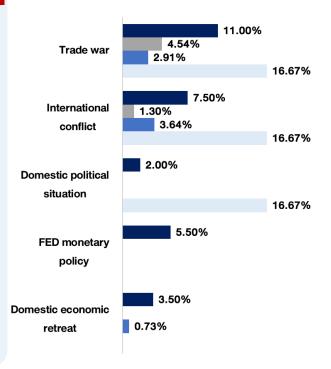
 Consider international conflicts as biggest factor undermining confidence, followed by trade wars, and local economic recession.

# **Foreign Investors**

 see trade wars, international conflict, and political situation in Thailand as primary factors weighing down confidence.



















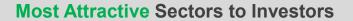


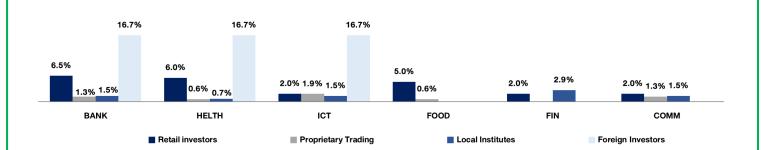






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Retail Investorsbelieve that Banking sector is the most attractive sector, followed by Healthcare and Food & Beverage sectors.Proprietary TradingSee Information & Communication Technology sector as the most attractive sector, followed by Banking, and Commerce sectors.Local InstitutesConsider Finance & Securities sector as the most attractive, followed by Banking, Information & Communication Technology, and Commerce sectors.Foreign InvestorsView Banking, Healthcare, Information & Communication Technology sectors as top most attractive sectors.

#### **Least Attractive Sectors to Investors** 33.3% 16.7% 5.5% 1.3% 6.0% 4.0% 2.6% 2.9% 1.5% 1.0% 1.3% 0.7% 0.5% STEEL **AUTO FASHION ETRON** PROP **MEDIA** Retail investors ■ Proprietary Trading Local Institutes Foreign Investors **Retail Investors** View Automotive sector as the least attractive sector, followed by Fashion and Property Development sectors. **Proprietary Trading** Consider Electronic Components as least attractive sector, followed by Fashion, and Media & Publishing sectors **Local Institutes** Consider Electronic Components sector to be the least attractive sector, followed by Property Development and Automotive sectors. **Foreign Investors** See Automotive as the least interesting sector, followed by Steel & Metal sector.

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