

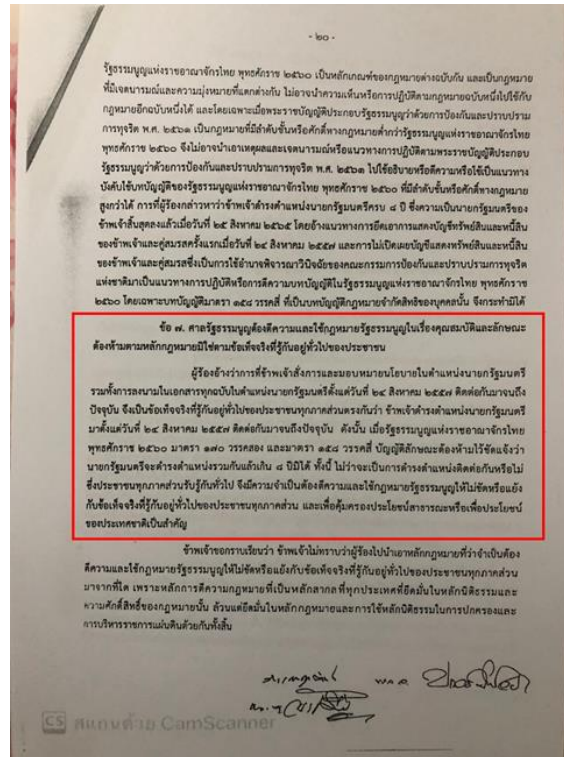
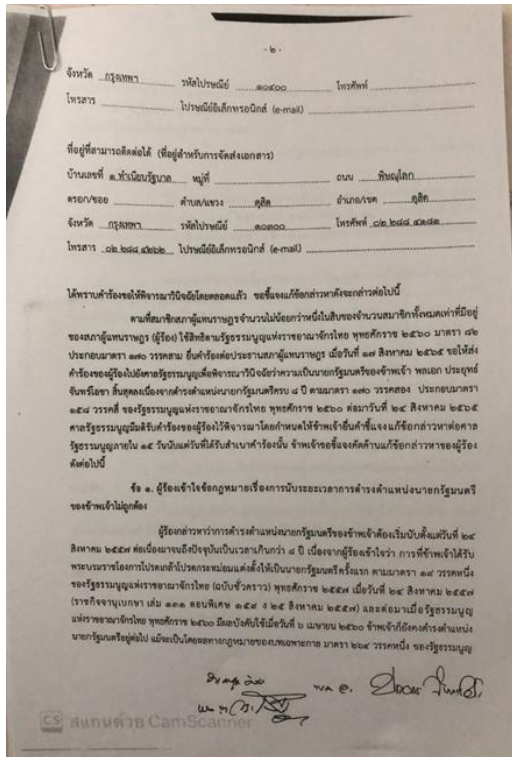


September 8, 2022

## Thai Enquirer News Summary

### **Political News**

- Suspended PM Gen Prayut Chan-o-cha remains the center of attention as the Constitutional Court is scheduled to meet today, September 8, to discuss if they need more time to reach the verdict on Prayut's 8-year premiership term limit.
  - ❖ However, documents, which was believed to be a statement of Gen. Prayut and were leaked yesterday.
  - ❖ This follows a previous document leaked that was from Meechai Ruchuphan, chairman of the junta-appointed Constitution Drafting Committee (CDC), was leaked on social media on September 6 suggesting to the court that Gen. Prayut's premiership term should begin in April 2017 when the 2017 charter went into effect.
  - ❖ “Even though I took office as Prime Minister on August 24, 2014, and have held the position since then, the plaintiff cannot count the first period of my premiership under Article 14 dash 1 of the interim charter, which was already nullified when the 2017 constitution took effect, as part of the premiership period under the current charter.”



- ❖ The Constitutional Court president, Worawit Kangsasiatim, has ordered a probe into the leaking of a “statement” of a key witness in the case of the tenure of suspended prime minister Prayut Chan-o-cha.
- Meanwhile the opposition parties gathered yesterday to submit additional documents to House Speaker Chuan Leekpai to forward to the Constitutional Court in response to the dual leaked documents, which allegedly backed Gen Prayut Chan-o-cha to stay in power as premier despite the opposition's claim that his premiership term had already expired.
  - ❖ The leader of the Pheu Thai party and the opposition, Chonlanan Srikaew, said that Meechai Ruchuphan’s unauthenticated documents, which suggested that Prayut’s premiership term should be counted in April 2017, were a false statement to the Constitutional Court, so the opposition needed to submit more documents to oppose Meechai’s statement.
  - ❖ In addition, Chonlanan stressed that Prayut’s term was counted in August 2014, which meant that he was no longer able to hold a position as premier.
  - ❖ Party-list MP of the Thai Civilized party Mongkolkit Suksintharon, came out to urge Meechai to clarify whether the leaked documents were really his statement or not otherwise Mongkolkit would press legal action against him for violating Article 177 by making a false statement.

- Deputy PM Wissanu Krea-ngam answered the press regarding the leaked documents that he did not contact Meechai Ruchuphan and Defense Minister Gen Prayut Chan-o-cha for 10 days.
  - ❖ The person who talked to Gen Prayut most frequently was his legal team Major General Wira Rojanawas, according to Wissanu, so he did not know if the documents were authentic or not.
- The parliament meeting yesterday to vote on four charter amendment bills including the one to get rid of Article 272 that allows the Senate to pick a premier seemed to be all clear at first.
  - ❖ However, at 21:00 hrs., after the parliament finished counting the quorum in preparation for voting, the results were completely unexpected, as none of the four bills received more than half of the quorum (364 votes from 727 parliamentarians), meaning that all bills were dropped.

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๑	รับหลักการ	๓๕๖	๕๐	๓๖๖
๒	ไม่รับหลักการ	๓๗	๓๕๓	๓๙๐
๓	งดออกเสียง	๒	๒๖	๒๘
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ร่างรัฐธรรมนูญ แก้ไขเพิ่มเติม ฉบับที่ ๒ (เรื่องส่วน ๓)

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๑	รับหลักการ	๓๖๓	๕	๓๖๘
๒	ไม่รับหลักการ	๓๐๙	๓๖๖	๖๗๕
๓	งดออกเสียง	๒	๓๕	๓๗
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๒	ไม่รับหลักการ	๓๐๐	๓๖๖	๖๖๖
๓	งดออกเสียง	๒	๓๕	๓๗
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๓	งดออกเสียง	๕	๔๕	๕๐
		๔๗๔	๓๖๗	๖๖๑

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- ❖ The voting results came as the Palang Pracharath party (PPRP), the Ruam Palang party, and other small parties all voted against all four charter amendment bills, while the Bhumjai Thai party, the Democrat party, and all opposition parties voted to pass all four.
- ❖ Meanwhile, the majority of the Senate, particularly those with military or police backgrounds, voted against all four bills, while only a few voted to remove the Senate's power to choose a premier, including Kamnoon Sidhisamarn, Parnthep Klanarongran, Porntip Rojanasunan, Naowarat Pongpaiboon, Wanchai Sornsiri, Lerdrad Rattanawanit, and Wanlop Tangkananurak.

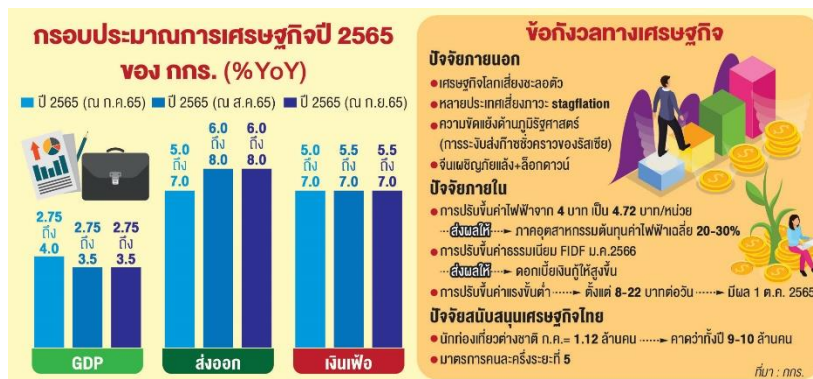
- The Move Forward party announced a campaign #RESET Thailand to urge 50,000 people to sign a petition in order to propose to the Cabinet to hold a referendum on the next general election day asking Thai citizens if they wanted a new constitution, which was truly drafted by ordinary people, to supersede the 2017 constitution or not (<https://www.resetthailand.org/>).



## **Economic News**

- Despite the slowdown of the economy in many major trading partner countries, the recovery of the Thai economy in 2022 will continue to be supported by the returning of foreign tourists and the recovery of domestic demand, representatives of the private sector said.
  - ❖ “The JSCCIB (Joint Standing Committee on Commerce, Industry and Banking) expects that the Thai economy will continue to expand from the reopening of the country and the recovery of domestic demand,” said Payong Srivanich, chairman of the Thai Bankers Association (TBA). However, there is a need to closely monitor the slowing down of economies in other countries which are becoming more apparent.
  - ❖ The JSCCIB maintained that the Thai economy should be able to expand by 2.75-3.5%, based on assumptions that exports will be able to expand by 6-8% and inflation stay around 5.5-7%. It expects around 9-10 million foreign tourists in 2022, compared to 428,000 arrivals in 2021, thanks to the lifting of entry regulations that were being used during the Covid-19 pandemic and the measure to

extend the period for visa exemption and visa-on-arrival for eligible nationalities from 30 to 45 days.



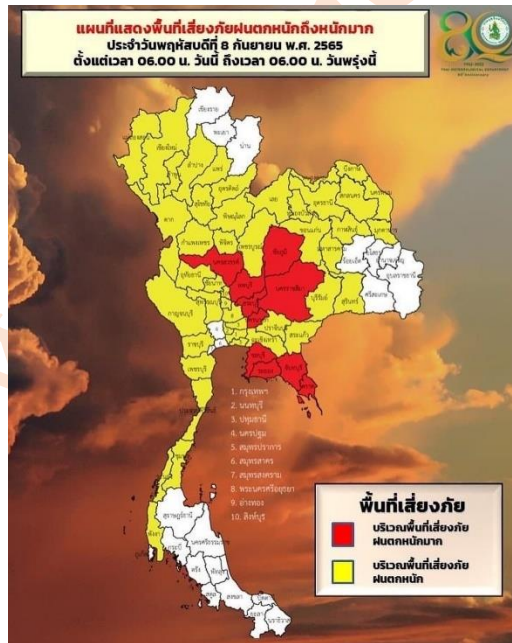
- Minister of Tourism and Sports Phiphat Ratchakitprakarn will visit Phuket province today to discuss with business operators and researchers from the National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA) about extending the legal opening time for nightlife venues to 4 am in the hope of boosting tourism and the economy.
  - ❖ The minister expects the extension to be tested first in Phuket to collect data, which will be proposed to the Center for Covid-19 Situation (CCSA) in October.
  - ❖ If other operators wanted to test the policy in their provinces, they could propose it to the Ministry of Tourism and Sports, Phiphat said, just like those in Songkhla province. The extension may apply to Khao San Road, Silom, and Patpong areas as well in the future, according to the minister.
- Sources said that the Board of Directors meeting of PTT PCL (PTT), will finalize the selection of a new president and chief executive of PTT Oil and Retail Business Plc (OR) to replace Ms. Jiraphon Kawswat, acting president and chief executive officer, who will soon retire on September 30, 2022.
  - ❖ Initially, there are two people in the competition including Mr. Disathat Panyarachun, senior executive and vice president of the International Trading Business Unit Holding, and Suchat Ramarch, senior executive and vice president of the Organization Effectiveness and Corporate Governance.
  - ❖ The PTT Board of Directors will make a final call on September 15, 2022, with the decision taking effect on October 1, 2022.
- Foreign investors who have been net buyers for a 164 billion Baht so far this year sold more than 2.58 billion Baht worth of shares yesterday alone.





## General News

- Bangkok's Lat Krabang area saw more than 130 mm of rain last night prompting partial flooding
- ❖ Today 70% of Bangkok is expected to see rainfall while the rest of the country is expected to see 80% chance of rainfall.



- It goes without saying that Apple has introduced its iPhone 14, which looks exactly like its predecessor – iPhone 13 with some tweaks that are barely noticeable, except the fact that it has ability to send messages using satellite in case of emergency.

❖ <https://www.bbc.com/news/technology-62827774>

- Best undies for men or should we say best boxers... well, New York Times reportedly did a 3-year research on this and guess which one is the best? (people do have a lot of free time to do such research)

❖ Read it in

<https://www.nytimes.com/wirecutter/reviews/best-mens-underwear/?smtyp=cur&smid=tw-nytimes>

## COVID-19 News



Infection data for today are as follows

Total New PCR Infections = 1,587

Total New Death = 19

Total New Recovery = 1,969

Total infections so far since outbreak = 4,664,156

Total deaths so far since outbreak = 32,483

Total in Intensive Care Unit (ICU) = 692

Total number on life support (ventilator) 356

The government's data on 'Positive testing' numbers as a percentage of the tests it undertakes stands a 4.86%.

Details of data for each day can be found @ <https://ddc.moph.go.th/covid19-dashboard/> (All information is in Thai language)

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### **Political News Headlines in Thai Media**

- A 23-page document that was allegedly submitted by suspended Prime Minister Prayut Chan-o-cha to the Constitutional Court was leaked today which stated some of the rebuttals made by the 2014 coup leader against the allegations of him having completed his 8-year term as Prime Minister.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/43897/prayut-begs-constitutional-court-to-not-count-his-premiership-from-2014-as-court-sees-2nd-data-leak-in-past-2-days/>
- The Constitutional Court president has ordered a probe into the leaking of a "statement" of a key witness in the case of the tenure of suspended prime minister Prayut Chan-o-cha.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/in-focus/politics/40019849>
- The Constitutional Court says no ruling will be given on Prime Minister Prayut Chan-o-cha's tenure at a special meeting today.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/politics/2386568/judges-wont-be-rushed>
- Almost 54 per cent of respondents in a Suan Dusit Poll believe there is a possibility Parliament would be dissolved and a fresh general election called.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/in-focus/politics/40019839>



- The Royal Thai Army has deployed modified military trucks to 11 flood-prone districts in Bangkok to transport commuters if the capital's roads get flooded again on Wednesday evening.
    - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/in-focus/national/40019850>
  - Former deputy prime minister Somkid Jatusripitak to become chairman of Sang Anakot Thai, and could be the party's candidate for prime minister at the general election.
    - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/politics/2386318/sang-anakot-thai-offers-somkid-party-chair>
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### **Economic News Headlines in Thai Media**

- Amata Corporation Plc (AMATA), Thailand's leading industrial estate developer, has come out to announce that it was undertaking the 2nd project in the landlocked and currently economically impoverished country of Laos PDR which could cover as much as 20,000 rai of land.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/43919/amata-announces-plans-expand-operations-in-laos-despite-the-landlocked-countrys-economic-malaise/>
- Despite the slowdown of the economy in many major trading partner countries, the recovery of the Thai economy in 2022 will continue to be supported by the returning of foreign tourists and the recovery of domestic demand, representatives of the private sector said.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/43888/private-sector-asks-govt-to-gradually-raise-utilities-to-help-revive-the-economy-battered-by-impact-from-covid-19-lockdowns/>
- In a turn of how things turn around, Nation Group (Thailand) Plc, the owners of The Nation news media outlet, has won the bidding to buy out 'Post Today' the vernacular Thai language media outlet of Bangkok Post.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/43863/nation-buys-bangkok-posts-thai-language-business/>

- The Securities and Exchange Commission has imposed a fine of 2.7 million baht on an executive at True Corporation (True) for insider trading.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2386473/b2-7m-fine-imposed-on-true-executive-for-insider-trading>
- The Joint Standing Committee on Commerce, Industry, and Banking (JSCCIB) on Wednesday pleaded with the Thai government to raise electricity bills, wages and interest rates gradually in order to mitigate the negative impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on businesses.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/business/econ/40019846>
- The two companies bidding to operate the Orange Line railway and build its western section have passed the technical qualification requirement, the Mass Rapid Transit Authority of Thailand (MRTA) said on Wednesday.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/business/corporate/40019838>
- The Central Administrative Court ordered the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration on Wednesday to pay 12.6 billion baht in debt to Bangkok Mass Transit System (BTSC).
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/business/corporate/40019831>
- The Bank of Thailand (BoT) will raise interest rates gradually to curb inflation risks and ensure a smooth recovery as the economy is expected to return to pre-coronavirus-pandemic levels late this year or early next year, BoT governor Sethaput Suthiwartnarueput said.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2386218/bank-of-thailand-to-hike-rates-gradually-to-contain-inflation->
- With a full recovery for aviation in sight, stumbling blocks such as the tourism fee the Thai government plans to collect should be set aside.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2386603/airasia-x-opposes-travel-levy>
- The Thai Bankers' Association has discussed with regulators further easing of banks' contributions to the Financial Institution Development Fund as interest rates rise.
  - Link - <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2386703/banks-push-regulators-to-ease-fidf-fees>

- Emerging markets could slip into financial and economic crisis over the next 1-3 years amid frequent US interest rate increases, the Federation of Thai Capital Market Organizations (Fetco) said yesterday, warning investors to exercise caution as risks emerge.
    - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2386628/fetco-warns-of-coming-crisis-as-economic-risks-increase>
  - The Excise Department plans to study tax measures to support the production of bioplastics, bio jet fuel and environmentally friendly batteries, says director-general Ekniti Nitithanprapas.
    - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2386698/excise-office-promotes-eco-friendly-efforts>
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#### **Issues to be watched out for**

- September 18, 2022 – The prorogation of the Parliament’s 1<sup>st</sup> session for the year 2022. The parliament goes on a recess from this date onwards.
- September 28, 2022- The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) makes the decision on the policy rate.
- October 5, 2022 – Trade Policy and Strategy Office makes its monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for the month of August 2022.
- November 1, 2022 – Opening of a 2/2022 session.
- November 5, 2022 – Trade Policy and Strategy Office makes its monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for the month of October 2022.
- November 18-19, 2022 – APEC Thailand 2022
- November 30, 2022 – The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) makes the decision on the policy rate.
- December 6, 2022 – Trade Policy and Strategy Office makes its monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for the month of November 2022.

- January, 2023 – The hike in the daily minimum wage is set to become official.
- February 28, 2023 – Prorogation of a 2/2022 session.
- March 24, 2022 – The current House of Representatives' expiration of the time of office, the Constitution particularizes the new election of the House of Representatives within 45 days.

### **Key Data**

<b>SET Index</b>	<b>1,639.92</b>	<b>+6.05</b>
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Link - [https://www.set.or.th/en/company/ipo/upcoming\\_ipo\\_set.html](https://www.set.or.th/en/company/ipo/upcoming_ipo_set.html)

### **Global Commodities**

Metal -Link <http://www.bloomberg.com/markets/commodities/futures/metals/>

Energy -Link - <http://www.bloomberg.com/energy/>

Baltic Dry Index (BDI)-Link - <http://www.bloomberg.com/quote/BDIY:IND>

### **Global Equity Market's Movements**

Link - <http://www.bloomberg.com/markets/stocks/world-indexes/asia-pacific/>

### **Asian Equity Markets Movement**

Link - <http://www.bloomberg.com/markets/stocks/world-indexes/>

### **Information on September 7 ,2022**

#### **Buying, Selling or Transfer of shares by Owners/Management**

<b>Stock Code</b>	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Action</b>
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CCET	233,000	2.4	Sale
DMT	50,000	10.5	Purchase
EKH	15,000	7.4	Purchase
JMART	326,300	51.5	Purchase
PROEN	11,280,000	7	Sale
PROUD	107,900	2.16	Sale
PROUD	550,000	2.23	Sale
RBF	19,000	13.61	Purchase
RCL	10,000	32.25	Purchase
SABUY	25,600	16.18	Sale
SMIT	40,000	4.69	Purchase
SMIT	24,300	4.72	Purchase
SMIT	55,700	4.72	Purchase
SMIT	30,000	4.72	Purchase
SMIT	40,000	4.72	Purchase
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SAPPE	50,000	46	Sale
SC	50,000	3.74	Sale
SA	185,000	8.91	Purchase
SICT	300,000	8.97	Sale
SISB	5,000	14.4	Sale
SISB	3,000	14.8	Sale
STA	60,000	21.25	Purchase
STGT	3,000	13.9	Purchase
SPALI	100,000	19.4	Purchase
SPALI	150,000	19.3	Purchase
SPALI	412,500	19.29	Purchase
SPALI	100,000	19.4	Purchase
SPALI	150,000	19.3	Purchase
SPALI	412,500	19.29	Purchase
TMILL	43,000	3.95	Purchase
TIGER	175,000	2.5	Sale
VRANDA	20,000	7	Sale



**XD, XE or XM or other notifications**

For list of Companies that have dividend payment and AGM meeting schedules click on <https://www.set.or.th/set/xcalendar.do>

**Trading Breakdown on the Stock Exchange of Thailand**

<b>Daily as of 7 September 2022</b>						
<b>Investor Type</b>	<b>Buy</b>		<b>Sell</b>		<b>Net</b>	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
Local Institutions	5,200.39	7.30	5,409.61	7.60	-209.22	-
Proprietary Trading	7,163.21	10.06	6,570.46	9.23	592.75	-
Foreign Investor	31,974.03	44.90	34,559.35	48.54	-2,585.32	-
Local Individuals	26,867.19	37.73	24,665.40	34.64	2,201.79	-
<b>Monthly Cumulative between 1-7 September 2022</b>						
Unit: M.Baht						
<b>Investor Type</b>	<b>Buy</b>		<b>Sell</b>		<b>Net</b>	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
Local Institutions	26,243.71	7.77	26,466.11	7.84	-222.40	-
Proprietary Trading	35,159.33	10.41	33,038.17	9.78	2,121.15	-
Foreign Investors	153,377.54	45.42	163,894.63	48.54	-10,517.09	-
Local Individuals	122,876.39	36.39	114,258.06	33.84	8,618.33	-
<b>Yearly Cumulative since 1 Jan -7 September 2022</b>						
Unit: M.Baht						
<b>Investor Type</b>	<b>Buy</b>		<b>Sell</b>		<b>Net</b>	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
Local Institutions	940,927.94	7.53	1,059,590.89	8.48	-118,662.95	-

Proprietary Trading	1,086,693.52	8.69	1,087,013.66	8.69	-320.14	-
Foreign Investors	5,972,826.06	47.77	5,808,741.45	46.46	164,084.61	-
Local Individuals	4,501,976.42	36.01	4,547,077.94	36.37	-45,101.53	-

**Total Trading Value 71,204.83 Million Baht**

### **Background Information –**

The strength of each party in the Thai Parliament as of May 8, 2019 as per the report by the Election Commission of Thailand. Elections took place on March 24, 2019

- [https://www.ect.go.th/ect\\_th/news\\_all.php?cid=24](https://www.ect.go.th/ect_th/news_all.php?cid=24)
- List of MPs - [https://www.ect.go.th/ect\\_th/download/article/article\\_20190508184334.pdf](https://www.ect.go.th/ect_th/download/article/article_20190508184334.pdf)

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