

Laying the Foundations for a Sustainable Recovery

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Indicators		Last Thailand Focus (2022)	Current context
Economic recovery	GDP (%yoy)	2.6%	2.7% (Q1-23)
	Tourist numbers (million persons)	11.2	16.5 (as of 13 Aug 23)
	Consumption (%yoy)	6.3%	5.4% (Q1-23)
	Value of merchandise exports (%yoy)	5.5%	-4.5% [Q1-23]
Inflation	Headline inflation (%)	6.1%	0.38% (Jul 23)
	Core inflation (%)	2.5%	0.86% (Jul 23)
Financial system	Credit growth (%yoy)	2.1%	-0.4% (Q2-23)
	Household debt (%GDP)	91.4%	90.6% (Q1-23)
	NPL (%)	2.7%	2.7% [Q2-23]
	BIS ratio (%)	19.4%	19.5% [Q2-23]

Source: NESDC, NSO, Ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Tourism and Sports, BOT



Addresing the legacy of high household debt

- Need a pragmatic approach for dealing with characteristics and root causes
 of debt problems throughout all stages of indebtedness, as well as
 cooperation from all stakeholders.
- The BOT is introducing a package of **comprehensive measures to reduce household debt** to a more sustainable level (from 90.6% of GDP as of Q1-23 to < 80% of GDP):
 - i. Responsible Lending (whole debt journey & persistent debt)
 - ii. Risk-based pricing (regulatory sandbox)
 - iii. Macroprudential policy (debt service ratio for loan origination)